

Alma Linux 8 – NodeJS 18

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1.) Overview

This document is provided as a user guide for the Alma Linux 8 – NodeJS 18 product offering on the Azure Marketplace. Please reach out to support@cloudimg.co.uk if any issues are encountered following this user guide for the chosen product offering.

2.) Access & Security



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Please update the security group of the target instance to allow the below ports and protocols for access and connectivity.

| Protocol | Type | Port | Description |
|----------|------|------|------------------|
| SSH | TCP | 22 | SSH connectivity |

3.) System Requirements

The minimum system requirements for the chosen product offering can be found below

| Minimum CPU | Minimum RAM | Required Disk Space |
|-------------|-------------|---------------------|
| 1 | 1 GB | 20 GB |

4.) Connecting to the Instance

Once launched in the Azure Virtual Machines Service, please connect to the instance via an SSH client using the **azureuser** with the key pair associated at launch. Once connected as the **azureuser**, you will be able to **sudo** to the **root** user by issuing the below command.

Switch to the root user

```
sudo su -
```

5.) On Startup

An OS package update script has been configured to run on boot to ensure the image is fully up to date at first use. You can disable this feature by removing the script from `/stage/scripts/` and deleting the entry in `crontab` for the root user.

Disable the OS update script from running on reboot

```
rm -f /stage/scripts/initial_boot_update.sh  
crontab -e  
  
#DELETE THE BELOW LINE. SAVE AND EXIT THE FILE.  
@reboot /stage/scripts/initial_boot_update.sh
```



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6.) Filesystem Configuration

Please see below for a screenshot of the server disk configuration and specific mount point mappings for software locations.

```
Filesystem      Size  Used Avail Use% Mounted on
devtmpfs        472M   0  472M   0% /dev
tmpfs           482M   0  482M   0% /dev/shm
tmpfs           482M  6.5M  475M   2% /run
tmpfs           482M   0  482M   0% /sys/fs/cgroup
/dev/nvme0n1p2  38G  2.3G   34G   7% /
/dev/nvme0n1p1 2.0G   93M  1.7G   6% /boot
tmpfs           97M   0   97M   0% /run/user/1002
```

| Mount Point | Description |
|-------------|-------------------------------|
| /boot | Operating System Kernel files |

7.) Server Components

Please see below for a list of installed server components and their respective installation paths. The below versions are subject to change on initial boot based on the initial_boot_update.sh script finding new versions of the software in the systems package repositories.

| Component | Version | Software Home |
|------------|---------|---------------|
| Cloud-Init | 22.1 | /etc/cloud |
| NodeJS | 18.6 | /bin/node |
| NPM | 8.13.2 | /bin/npm |
| Azure CLI | 2.53.1 | /lib64/az |

8.) Scripts and Log Files

The below table provides a breakdown of any scripts & log files created to enhance the useability of the chosen offering.



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| Script/Log | Path | Description |
|-------------------------|----------------|--|
| Initial_boot_update.sh | /stage/scripts | Update the Operating System with the latest updates available. |
| Initial_boot_update.log | /stage/scripts | Provides output for initial_boot_update.sh |

9.) Using System Components

Instructions can be found below for using each component of the server build mentioned in section 7 of this user guide document.

Azure CLI

Using Azure CLI – as any OS user.

```
az
```

Cloud-Init

Edit the /etc/cloud/cloud.cfg file to reflect your desired configuration. A link to the cloud-init official documentation can be found below for referencing best practise for your use case.

<https://cloudinit.readthedocs.io/en/latest/>

```
vi /etc/cloud/cloud.cfg
```

NodeJS

Run the below command to access the NodeJS command prompt.

```
node
```

NPM



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Run the below command to view the options available for the NPM utility.

```
npm help npm
```



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