

atlas-import-utility

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Importing Hive Metadata using Command-Line (CLI) utility

You can use the Atlas-Hive import command-line utility to load Atlas with databases and tables present in Hive metastore.

This utility supports importing metadata of a specific table, tables from a specific database or all databases and tables.

Consider a scenario where Hive has databases and tables prior to enabling Hive hook for Atlas. In such a situation, the Atlas-Hive import utility can be employed to ensure Hive and Atlas are in sync.

Also, the utility can be used in a scenario where Atlas is unable to process specific messages due to some errors that could possibly occur with Kafka.



Important: You must run the tool on the Hive node.

Supported Hive metadata import options:

Atlas-Hive utility supports various options which can be used while importing Hive Metadata:

- `-d <database regex> OR --database <database regex>`

Specify the database name pattern which has to be synced with Atlas.

- `-t <table regex> OR --table <table regex>`

Specify the table name pattern which has to be synced with Atlas. It must be used along with `-d`.

- `-f <filename>`

Imports all databases and tables in the specified file. The file must have one entry on each line where the entry is in the form of `<database_name>:<table_name>`.

For example:

A scenario where the user wants to import two tables named t11 from database db1 and t21 from db2 and all tables from db3. The file content must be:

- db1:t11

- db2:t21

- db3

- No options

Does not specify any option to import all databases from Hive into Atlas.

A sample usage of the script

Atlas hook in Hive is not configured and hence no “Live” data gets reflected into Atlas.

Later, you configure the Atlas hook but it is observed that the Hive database already contains entities that need to reflect in Atlas. In such cases, an Atlas-hive import script reads the database and tables from Hive Metadata and creates entities in Atlas.

An example of Atlas-hive script:

Usage 1: `<atlas bundle>/hook-bin/import-hive.sh`

Usage 2: `<atlas bundle>/hook-bin/import-hive.sh [-d <database regex> OR --database <database regex>] [-t <table regex> OR --table <table regex>]`

Usage 3: `<atlas bundle>/hook-bin/import-hive.sh [-f <filename>]`

File Format:

database1:tbl1

database1:tbl2

database2:tbl1

Limitations of using Atlas-Hive import script

The Atlas-Hive import utility has the following limitations:

- Cannot delete entities which are dropped from Hive but do exist in Atlas.
- Cannot create lineages.



Note: If a specified entity is not available in Atlas, the entry gets created in Atlas. If a specified entity exists in Atlas, it gets updated with the latest metadata state present in Hive.

Using Atlas-Hive import utility with Ozone entities

The Atlas-Hive import script also supports creating the corresponding Ozone entities into Atlas, if the Hive entity has an Ozone path associated with it.

For example, if a table was created using an Ozone path, the Atlas-Hive import script creates Ozone related entities into Atlas.



Attention: If a table was loaded using a file located into an Ozone path, Ozone entities will not be created into Atlas as HMS does not furnish the details.

Setting up Atlas Kafka import tool

You can use the Atlas-Kafka import tool to load Atlas with Kafka topics.

You must first set up the tool and later run the tool manually to create or update the Kafka topic entities in Atlas. The tool uses client configuration to fetch the required configuration, like the Atlas endpoint and Zookeeper.



Important: You must run the tool on the Kafka node.

The Kafka type definition in Atlas contains multiple fields. The import tool fills out the following field values:

- `clusterName` - Contains the value provided by the `atlas.metadata.namespace` property in the application configuration file. The default value is `cm`.
- `topic`, `name`, `description`, `URI` - Contains the topic name.
- `qualifiedName` - Contains the topic name and the clusterName which is joined by '@'. For instance, `my-topic@cm`. This serves as the unique identifier for topics.
- `partitionCount` - Displays the number of partitions of the topic.

To set up the Atlas - Kafka import tool, follow these steps:

1. Select the Atlas service in Cloudera Manager.
2. Deploy client configs: Actions > Deploy Client Configuration.



Note: If kerberos authentication is enabled in Zookeeper, you must run the tool as the Kafka kerberos user and set up the Ranger policies for the Kafka user.

3. If Ranger is enabled, create a Ranger policy with the user running the tool in `cm_atlas` to allow the `<user>` to create, update, delete, and read Kafka entities:

- Log into Ranger UI.
- Navigate to `cm_atlas` policies.
- Select the policy which has `create_entity` and `delete_entity` permissions.
- Add the kerberos user that is used with the `import-kafka.sh` tool.

4. SSH into a host where the client configuration is deployed.

5. Run `kinit` as `kafka` if Kerberos is used to set up the Ticket Granting Ticket (TGT).

6. Set `JAVA_HOME`.



Note: Use `export JAVA_HOME=/usr/java/default` in this scenario.

7. Run the command `/opt/cloudera/parcels/CDH/lib/atlas/hook-bin/import-kafka.sh` to import Kafka topics into Atlas.