



## **Holoscan CLI - Package Command**

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`holoscan package` - generate [HAP-compliant](#) container for your application.

## Synopsis

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```

## Examples

The code below package a python application for x86\_64 systems:

```
# Using a Python directory as input # Required: a `__main__.py` file in the application  
directory to execute # Optional: a `requirements.txt` file in the application directory to  
install dependencies holoscan package --platform x64-workstation --tag my-  
awesome-app --config /path/to/my/awesome/application/config.yaml  
/path/to/my/awesome/application/ # Using a Python file as input holoscan package --  
platform x64-workstation --tag my-awesome-app --config  
/path/to/my/awesome/application/config.yaml  
/path/to/my/awesome/application/my-app.py
```

The code below package a C++ application for the IGX Orin DevKit (aarch64) with a discrete GPU:

```
# Using a C++ source directory as input # Required: a `CMakeLists.txt` file in the  
application directory holoscan package --platform igx-orin-devkit --platform-config  
dgpu --tag my-awesome-app --config /path/to/my/awesome/application/config.yaml  
/path/to/my/awesome/application/ # Using a C++ pre-compiled executable as input  
holoscan package --platform igx-orin-devkit --platform-config dgpu --tag my-
```

```
awesome-app --config /path/to/my/awesome/application/config.yaml  
/path/to/my/awesome/bin/application-executable
```

### **Note**

The commands above load the generated image onto Docker to make the image accessible with `docker images`.

If you need to package for a different platform or want to transfer the generated image to another system, use the `--output /path/to/output` flag so the generated package can be saved to the specified location.

## Positional Arguments

### `application`

Path to the application to be packaged. The following inputs are supported:

- **C++ source code:** you may pass a directory path with your C++ source code with a `CMakeLists.txt` file in it, and the **Packager** will attempt to build your application using CMake and include the compiled application in the final package.
- **C++ pre-compiled executable:** A pre-built executable binary file may be directly provided to the **Packager**.
- **Python application:** you may pass either:
  - a directory which includes a `__main__.py` file to execute (required) and an optional `requirements.txt` file that defined dependencies for your Python application, or
  - the path to a single python file to execute

## Warning

Python (PyPI) modules are installed into the user's (via `[--username USERNAME]` argument) directory with the user ID specified via `[--uid UID]`. Therefore, when running a packaged Holoscan application on Kubernetes or other service providers, running Docker with non root user, and running Holoscan CLI `run` command where the logged-on user's ID is different, ensure to specify the `USER ID` that is used when building the application package.

For example, include the `securityContext` when running a Holoscan packaged application with `UID=1000` using Argo:

```
spec: securityContext: runAsUser: 1000 runAsNonRoot: true
```

## Flags

### `--config|-c CONFIG`

Path to the application's configuration file. The configuration file must be in `YAML` format with a `.yaml` file extension.

### `[--docs|-d DOCS]`

An optional directory path of documentation, README, licenses that shall be included in the package.

### `[--models|-m MODELS]`

An optional directory path to a model file, a directory with a single model, or a directory with multiple models.

Single model example:

```
my-model/      surgical_video.gxf_entities      surgical_video.gxf_index my-model/  
  model        surgical_video.gxf_entities      surgical_video.gxf_index
```

Multi-model example:

```
my-models/      model-1      my-first-model.gxf_entities      my-first-  
model.gxf_index  model-2      my-other-model.ts
```

### **--platform PLATFORM**

A comma-separated list of platform types to generate. Each platform value specified generates a standalone container image. If you are running the **Packager** on the same architecture, the generated image is automatically loaded onto Docker and is available with `docker images`. Otherwise, use `--output` flag to save the generated image onto the disk.

`PLATFORM` must be one of: `clara-agx-devkit`, `igx-orin-devkit`, `jetson-agx-orin-devkit`, `x64-workstation`.

- `igx-orin-devkit`: IGX Orin DevKit
- `jetson-agx-orin-devkit`: Orin AGX DevKit
- `x64-workstation`: systems with a [x86-64](#) processor(s)

### **[--platform-config PLATFORM\_CONFIG]**

Specifies the platform configuration to generate. `PLATFORM_CONFIG` must be one of: `igpu`, `igpu-assist`, `dgpu`.

- `igpu`: Supports integrated GPU
- `igpu-assist`: Supports compute-only tasks on iGPU in presence of a dGPU
- `dgpu`: Supports dedicated GPU

## Note

`--platform-config` is required when `--platform` is not `x64-workstation` (which uses `dgpu`).

### `[--timeout TIMEOUT]`

An optional timeout value of the application for the supported orchestrators to manage the application's lifecycle. Defaults to `0`.

### `[--version VERSION]`

An optional version number of the application. When specified, it overrides the value specified in the [configuration file](#).

### `[--base-image BASE_IMAGE]`

Optionally specifies the base container image for building packaged application. It must be a valid Docker image tag either accessible online or via ``docker images`. By default, the **Packager** picks a base image to use from NGC.

### `[--build-image BUILD_IMAGE]`

Optionally specifies the build container image for building C++ applications. It must be a valid Docker image tag either accessible online or via ``docker images`. By default, the **Packager** picks a build image to use from NGC.

### `[--build-cache BUILD_CACHE]`

Specifies a directory path for storing Docker cache. Defaults to `~/holoscan_build_cache`. If the `$HOME` directory is inaccessible, the CLI uses the `/tmp` directory.

### `[--cmake-args CMAKE_ARGS]`

A comma-separated list of *cmake* arguments to be used when building C++ applications.

For example:

```
holoscan package --cmake-args "-DCMAKE_BUILD_TYPE=DEBUG -  
DCMAKE_ARG=VALUE"
```

### **[--no-cache | -n]**

Do not use cache when building image.

### **[--sdk SDK]**

SDK for building the application: Holoscan or MONAI-Deploy. **SDK** must be one of: holoscan, monai-deploy.

### **[--source URL | FILE]**

Override the artifact manifest source with a securely hosted file or from the local file system.

E.g. <https://my.domain.com/my-file.json>

### **[--sdk-version SDK\_VERSION]**

Set the version of the SDK that is used to build and package the Application. If not specified, the packager attempts to detect the installed version.

### **[--holoscan-sdk-file HOLOSCAN\_SDK\_FILE]**

Path to the Holoscan SDK Debian or PyPI package. If not specified, the packager downloads the SDK file from the internet depending on the SDK version detected/specified. The **HOLOSCAN\_SDK\_FILE** filename must have **.deb** or **.whl** file extension for Debian package or PyPI wheel package, respectively.

### **[--monai-deploy-sdk-file MONAI\_DEPLOY\_SDK\_FILE]**

Path to the MONAI Deploy App SDK Debian or PyPI package. If not specified, the packager downloads the SDK file from the internet based on the SDK version. The **MONAI\_DEPLOY\_SDK\_FILE** package filename must have **.whl** or **.gz** file extension.



## `[--output | -o OUTPUT]`

Output directory where result images will be written.

### **Note**

If this flag isn't present, the packager will load the generated image onto Docker to make the image accessible with `docker images`. The `--output` flag is therefore required when building a packaging for a different target architecture than the host system that runs the packager.

## `--tag | -t TAG`

Name and optionally a tag (format: `name:tag`).

For example:

```
my-company/my-application:latest my-company/my-application:1.0.0 my-  
application:1.0.1 my-application
```

## `[--username USERNAME]`

Optional *username* to be created in the container execution context. Defaults to `holoscan`.

## `[--uid UID]`

Optional *user ID* to be associated with the user created with `--username` with default of `1000`.

### **Warning**

A very large UID value may result in a very large image due to an [open issue](#) with Docker. It is recommended to use the default value of `1000` when packaging an application and use your current UID/GID when running the application.

### `[--gid GID]`

Optional *group ID* to be associated with the user created with `--username` with default of `1000`.

### `[--source PATH | URL]`

Overrides the default manifest file source. This value can be a local file path or a HTTPS url.

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