Lab Exercise 6- Create POD in Kubernetes

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Objective:

- Understand the basic structure and syntax of a Kubernetes Pod definition file (YAML).
- Learn to create, inspect, and delete a Pod in a Kubernetes cluster.

Prerequisites

- Kubernetes Cluster: You need a running Kubernetes cluster. You can set up a local cluster using tools like Minikube or kind, or use a cloud-based Kubernetes service.
- kubectl: Install and configure kubectl to interact with your Kubernetes cluster.
- Basic Knowledge of YAML: Familiarity with YAML format will be helpful as Kubernetes resource definitions are written in YAML.

Step-by-Step Guide

Step 1: Create a YAML File for the Pod

We'll create a Pod configuration file named pod-example.yaml

```
apiVersion: v1 # The version of the Kubernetes API to use for this object.
```

kind: Pod # The type of Kubernetes object. Here it's a Pod.

```
metadata:
                   # Metadata about the Pod, such as its name and labels.
                      # The name of the Pod. Must be unique within a namespace.
name: my-pod
labels:
                 # Labels are key-value pairs to categorize and organize Pods.
                     # Label to categorize this Pod as part of 'my-app'.
  app: my-app
spec:
                # The specification for the Pod, detailing its containers and other settings.
                   # List of containers that will run in this Pod.
 containers:
  - name: my-container # The name of the container. Must be unique within the Pod.
    image: nginx:latest # The Docker image to use for this container. Here, it's the latest
version of Nginx.
          name: my-pod
labels:
            name: my-container image: nginx:latest
```

Explanation of the YAML File

- apiVersion: Specifies the version of the Kubernetes API to use. For Pods, it's typically v1.
- kind: The type of object being created. Here it's a Pod.
- metadata: Provides metadata about the object, including name and labels. The name must be unique within the namespace, and labels help in identifying and organizing Pods.
- spec: Contains the specifications of the Pod, including:
 - containers: Lists all containers that will run inside the Pod. Each container needs:
 - name: A unique name within the Pod.
 - image: The Docker image to use for the container.

- ports: The ports that this container exposes.
- env: Environment variables passed to the container.

Step 2: Apply the YAML File to Create the Pod

Use the kubectl apply command to create the Pod based on the YAML configuration file.

```
kubectl apply -f pod-example.yaml

Last login: Mon Oct 21 11:21:41 on ttys000

[adityatomar@Adityas-MacBook-Air-3 Kubernetes % kubectl apply -f pod.yaml ]
error: error parsing pod.yaml: error converting YAML to JSON: yaml: line 9: did
not find expected key

[adityatomar@Adityas-MacBook-Air-3 Kubernetes % kubectl apply -f pod.yaml ]
pod/my-pod created
adityatomar@Adityas-MacBook-Air-3 Kubernetes %
```

This command tells Kubernetes to create a Pod as specified in the pod-example.yaml file.

Step 3: Verify the Pod Creation

To check the status of the Pod and ensure it's running, use:

```
kubectl get pods

[adityatomar@Adityas-MacBook-Air-3 Kubernetes % kubectl get pods

NAME READY STATUS RESTARTS AGE

my-pod 1/1 Running 0 9m30s

adityatomar@Adityas-MacBook-Air-3 Kubernetes % ■
```

This command lists all the Pods in the current namespace, showing their status, restart count, and other details.

You can get detailed information about the Pod using:

```
kubectl describe pod my-pod
adityatomar@Adityas-MacBook-Air-3 Kubernetes % kubectl describe pod my-pod
Name:
                  my-pod
Namespace:
                  default
Priority:
Service Account: default
Node:
                  docker-desktop/192.168.65.3
Start Time:
                  Mon, 21 Oct 2024 12:05:17 +0530
Labels:
                  app=my-app
Annotations:
                  <none>
Status:
                  Running
IP:
                  10.1.0.6
IPs:
  IP: 10.1.0.6
Containers:
  my-container:
    Container ID:
                    docker://7a818ccf4be8dd329cda4259995664046d2f7ad368a6ecc6fe1
61f3763dd4061
    Image:
                    nginx:latest
                    docker-pullable://nginx@sha256:28402db69fec7c17e179ea8788266
    Image ID:
```

This command provides detailed information about the Pod, including its events, container specifications, and resource usage.

Step 4: Interact with the Pod

You can interact with the running Pod in various ways, such as accessing the logs or executing commands inside the container.

View Logs: To view the logs of the container in the Pod:

```
kubectl logs my-pod

adityatomar@Adityas-MacBook-Air-3 Kubernetes % kubectl logs my-pod
/docker-entrypoint.sh: /docker-entrypoint.d/ is not empty, will attempt to perfor rm configuration
/docker-entrypoint.sh: Looking for shell scripts in /docker-entrypoint.d/
/docker-entrypoint.sh: Launching /docker-entrypoint.d/10-listen-on-ipv6-by-defaul lt.sh

10-listen-on-ipv6-by-default.sh: info: Getting the checksum of /etc/nginx/conf.d /default.conf

10-listen-on-ipv6-by-default.sh: info: Enabled listen on IPv6 in /etc/nginx/conf.d/default.conf

/docker-entrypoint.sh: Sourcing /docker-entrypoint.d/16-local-resolvers.envsh /docker-entrypoint.sh: Launching /docker-entrypoint.d/20-envsubst-on-templates.sh
/docker-entrypoint.sh: Launching /docker-entrypoint.d/30-tune-worker-processes.sh
/docker-entrypoint.sh: Configuration complete; ready for start up
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Execute a Command: To run a command inside the container:

```
kubectl exec -it my-pod -- /bin/bash

adityatomar@Adityas-MacBook-Air-3 Kubernetes % kubectl exec -it my-pod -- /bin/bash
E1021 12:19:37.050364 6409 websocket.go:296] Unknown stream id 1, discarding message
root@my-pod:/#
root@my-pod:/#
```

The -it flag opens an interactive terminal session inside the container, allowing you to run commands.

Step 5: Delete the Pod

To clean up and remove the Pod when you're done, use the following command:

```
kubectl delete pod my-pod

adityatomar@Adityas-MacBook-Air-3 Kubernetes % kubectl delete pod my-pod
pod "my-pod" deleted
adityatomar@Adityas-MacBook-Air-3 Kubernetes %
```

This command deletes the specified Pod from the cluster.