Distributed Systems - Mini-project

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Goals

- ✓ Identify the components involved in a *kubernetes* cluster.
- ✓ Deploy a *kubernetes* cluster.
- ✓ Deploy applications in a *kubernetes* cluster using its properties of persistent volumes, load balancing and service discovery.
- ✓ Diagnose and execute autonomously the necessary actions to achieve stable infrastructures.

Prerequisites

Kubernetes Cluster

Description

For this project we are going to deploy a *kubernetes* cluster with 3 nodes, one master and two workers. For that, we are going to use Google Cloud Platform that provides a lot of benefits like: load balancing, automatic scaling, node pools, etc. To achieve this is necessary to follow a series of steps, provided in an easy Google guide:

- https://google.qwiklabs.com/focuses/878?locale=en&parent=catalog&qlcampaign=77-18-qcpd-236&utm_source=qcp&utm_medium=documentation

To demonstrate the correct functioning of the cluster we are going to deploy a pod executing a web service. The deployment will have 3 replicas and each pod will have a label. This application could be accessed through the browser.

Development

The goals of this project were achieved using **Google Cloud Platform**. First step is to *log in* to **Google Cloud Console**, if you have a GCP account is preferred to use the one provided for qwiklabs to not generate charges.

Once we are in, it is necessary to activate **Google Cloud Shell** to access to command-line. When the environment is provisioned and connected, we can start. This shell is a virtual machine that has all the tools we will need.

The project on Google Cloud is already created, so we have to set the default compute zone, and then it is ready to create the cluster.

```
gcloud config set compute/zone us-central1-a
```

A cluster consists of at least one machine, which corresponds to the master, and multiple worker machines called nodes. To create the cluster we run the following command:

```
gcloud container clusters create sd2018b-project
```

Where sd2018b-project corresponds to the name of the cluster. It is really simple, after the cluster is created. The credentials to access to it are needed so, we get it with the following command:

```
gcloud container clusters get-credentials sd2018b-project
```

Now, we are going to deploy a web application that will be accessible through the browser. We run the application on the cluster using a sample image provided by Google and we defined a port that container will expose.

```
kubectl run hello-server --image=gcr.io/google-samples/hello-app:1.0 --
port 8080
```

Once we deploy the app, we created a kubernetes service to handle the external traffic, *load balancer*, this create 2 additional nodes to handle requests (3 in total).

kubectl expose deployment hello-server --type="LoadBalancer"

Figure 1. Kubernetes cluster deployed with web server application and load balancing running.

Demonstration

Once the nodes are running in the cluster, we can access to the web browser, and check that the web application is ok.

```
← → C ① 35.192.10.65:8080
Hello, world!
Version: 1.0.0
Hostname: hello-server-579859fb5b-s5m2w
```

Figure 2. Web application running.

Afterwards, we deleted a node to see if the application continued running, we executed the following command:

```
ğoogle1636134 student@cloudshell:~ <mark>(qwiklabš-gcp-b7f3629cf2547bcč</mark>)$ kubectl delete node gke-sd2018b-project-default-pool-15fcc0a8-mg79
Node "gke-sd2018b-project-default-pool-15fcc0a8-mg79" deleted
```

Figure 3. Command executed to delete a node and message showed.

We appreciate only two nodes on console, so we went check the web service and it continued working.

```
google1636134_stüdent@cloudshell:~<mark>'(qwiklabs-gcp-b7f3b29cf2547bcc)</mark>$ kubectl get nodes
NAME STATUS ROLES AGE VERSION
gke-sd2018b-project-default-pool-15fcc0a8-4sw8 Ready <none> 8m v1.9.7-gke.11
dke-sd2018b-project-default-pool-15fcc0a8-63t8 Ready <none> 8m v1.9.7-dke.11
```

Figure 4. Active nodes.



Hello, world! Version: 1.0.0

Hostname: hello-server-579859fb5b-s5m2w

Figure 5. Web service running with only two nodes.

References

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