

Configmap and Secret





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Configmap



Key value pairs exposed into a Pod used application configuration settings

Defining application or environment specific settings

Decouple application and Pod configurations

Maximizing our container image's portability

Environment Variables or Files



Using Configmap in Pod



Environment variables

valueFrom and envFrom

Volumes and Files

Volume mounted inside a container

Single file or directory

Many files or directories

Volume ConfigMaps can be updated



Define Configmap

```
kubectl create configmap appconfigprod \
 --from-literal=DATABASE_SERVERNAME=sql.example.local \
 --from-literal=BACKEND_SERVERNAME=be.example.local
kubectl create configmap appconfigqa \
 --from-file=appconfigga
apiVersion: v1
kind: ConfigMap
metadata:
 name: appconfigprod
data:
  BACKEND_SERVERNAME: be.example.local
  DATABASE_SERVERNAME: sql.example.local
```



Using Configmap in Environment Variable

```
containers:
- name: hello-world
                                   containers:
  env:
                                   - name: hello-world
  - name: DATABASE_SERVERNAME
    valueFrom:
                                     envFrom:
      configMapKeyRef:
                                       - configMapRef:
        name: appconfigprod
                                           name: appconfigprod
        key: DATABASE_SERVERNAME
  name: BACKEND_SERVERNAME
    valueFrom:
      configMapKeyRef:
        name: appconfigprod
        key: BACKEND_SERVERNAME
```



Using Configmap as File

```
spec:
  volumes:
    - name: appconfig
      configMap:
        name: appconfigqa
  containers:
  - name: hello-world
    volumeMounts:
      - name: appconfig
        mountPath: "/etc/appconfig"
```



Demo 1

- ☐ Create configmap
- ☐ Using configmap in Pod



Secrets



Store sensitive information as Objects



Retrieve for later use



Passwords, API tokens, keys and certificates



Safer and more flexible configurations (Pod Specs and Images)



Property of Secret



base64 encoded

Encryption can be configured

Stored in etcd

Namespaced and can only be referenced by Pods in the same Namespace

Unavailable Secrets will prevent a Pods from starting up



Creating Secrets

```
kubectl create secret generic app1 \
  --from-literal=USERNAME=app1login \
  --from-literal=PASSWORD='S0methingS@Str0ng!'
```



Using Secret in Pod

Environment Variables

Volumes or Files

Referenced Secret must be created and accessible for the Pod to start up



Using Secrets in Environment Variable

```
spec:
  containers:
                                     spec:
  - name: hello-world
                                       containers:
                                       - name: hello-world
    env:
    - name: applusername
                                         envFrom:
      valueFrom:
                                         - secretRef:
        secretKeyRef:
                                             name: app1
          name: app1
          key: USERNAME
    - name: app1password
      valueFrom:
        secretKeyRef:
          name: app1
          key: PASSWORD
```



Using Secrets as File

```
spec:
  volumes:
    - name: appconfig
                                         /etc/appconfig/USERNAME
      secret:
                                         /etc/appconfig/PASSWORD
        secretName: app1
  containers:
    volumeMounts:
      - name: appconfig
        mountPath: "/etc/appconfig"
```



Demo 2

- Create and access secrets
- Accessing secret inside a Pod
 - Environment variable
 - File



Accessing Private Container Registry



Secrets for application configuration

Use Secrets to access a private container registry

Want to access registries over the Internet

Docker Hub

Cloud based container registries

Create a Secret of type docker-registry

Enabling Kubernetes (kubelet) to pull the images from the private registry



Demo 3

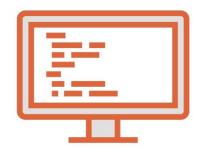
☐ Pulling a image from private registry



Configuration in Pod



Command Line Arguments



Environment Variables



ConfigMaps



Environment Variable



User defined

Pod Spec for each container

Defined inside the container image

Defined in name/value or valueFrom

System defined

Names of all Services available at the time the Pod was created

Defined at container startup

Cannot be updated once the Pod is created



Define Environment Variables

```
spec:
  containers:
  - name: hello-world
    image: gcr.io/google-samples/hello-app:1.0
    env:
    name: DATABASE_SERVERNAME
      value: "sql.example.local"
    - name: BACKEND_SERVERNAME
      value: "be.example.local"
```



Demo 4

☐ Passing environment variable



