

Documentation

This is a simple laravel application deployed in Google Kubernetes Engine, a managed Kubernetes service on the cloud. The application is packed using a Dockerfile and uploaded in an image registry - Google container registry.

The application is deployed using a deployment manifest file with an external loadbalancer. The loadbalancer routes traffic from the internet into the cluster

Setup GCP

- Login to the GCP console
- Create a bucket with a unique name. This bucket will hold the terraform state file.
- Clone the git repository:
<https://github.com/Chinweoke18/k8-gcp.git/>
- cd into the k8-gcp directory
- Open the "variable.tf" file, and replace the "project_id" with your project ID. (Project ID can be obtained from the GCP console)

Deploying the GKE cluster

- Run the following command
- `cd k8-gcp`
- `terraform init`
- `terraform fmt`
- `terraform apply`

This creates the GKE cluster as well as the image repository

Building the image

Access the folder named "microservice" inside the k8-gcp folder

- Copy the files "Dockerfile" and "000.default.conf"
- Place the files inside the root folder of your application
(<https://github.com/kennedy-osaze/abc-article-api.git>) in our case
- Inside the root folder, run the following commands:
 - `docker build -t gcr.io/PROJECT_ID/article-api:latest .`
 - `docker push gcr.io/PROJECT_ID/article-api:latest`

This pushes your image to the image repository created

NOTE: replace “*PROJECT_ID*” with your project ID.

Deploying the microservice in Kubernetes

Access the “microservice” folder inside the “k8-gcp” folder

Run the command:

- `kubectl apply -f deployment.yaml`

Testing the application

- Obtain the loadbalancer URL/IP Address of the application

`kubectl get services`

- Copy the loadbalancer URL/IP Address

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okworchinweoke@cloudshell:~$ kubectl get all
NAME                                READY    STATUS    RESTARTS   AGE
pod/earticle-api-deployment-6d5668848d-ctbbp  1/1      Running   0           2m32s
pod/earticle-api-deployment-6d5668848d-plbwp  1/1      Running   0           2m32s

NAME                                TYPE          CLUSTER-IP    EXTERNAL-IP    PORT(S)          AGE
service/article-api-service         LoadBalancer  10.52.5.236   34.123.7.145   80:31177/TCP     2m32s
service/kubernetes                  ClusterIP      10.52.0.1     <none>         443/TCP          3h14m

NAME                                READY    UP-TO-DATE    AVAILABLE    AGE
deployment.apps/earticle-api-deployment  2/2      2              2            2m32s

NAME                                DESIRED    CURRENT    READY    AGE
replicaset.apps/earticle-api-deployment-6d5668848d  2          2          2        2m33s
```

- Paste it on your browser and hit enter. You will be able to hit the application endpoint

Infrastructure Diagram

The infrastructure diagram is in the “microservices” folder inside the “k8-gcp” folder. File name: *infra-diagram.png*