

Complete Kubernetes Cheat Sheet (Basic to Advanced)

Basic kubectl Commands

List resources:

```
kubectl get pods
kubectl get services
kubectl get deployments
```

Create resources:

```
kubectl apply -f config.yaml
```

Delete resources:

```
kubectl delete -f config.yaml
kubectl delete pod <pod-name>
```

View details:

```
kubectl describe pod <pod-name>
kubectl logs <pod-name>
```

Pod Management

Run a pod:

```
kubectl run nginx --image=nginx
```

Exec into a pod:

```
kubectl exec -it <pod-name> -- /bin/bash
```

Forward port:

```
kubectl port-forward <pod-name> 8080:80
```

Restart pod:

```
kubectl delete pod <pod-name> # let deployment recreate it
```

Deployment and Scaling

Apply a deployment:

```
kubectl apply -f deployment.yaml
```

Scale replicas:

```
kubectl scale deployment my-deploy --replicas=5
```

Rolling update:

```
kubectl rollout restart deployment my-deploy
```

Undo rollout:

```
kubectl rollout undo deployment my-deploy
```

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Services & Networking

Expose deployment:

```
kubectl expose deployment my-deploy --type=LoadBalancer --port=80
```

View service:

```
kubectl get svc
```

ClusterIP: internal only

NodePort: expose on each Node IP

LoadBalancer: public access via cloud provider

Configuration Management

ConfigMap:

```
kubectl create configmap myconfig --from-literal=key=value
```

Secret:

```
kubectl create secret generic mysecret --from-literal=password=1234
```

Mounting in pod:

envFrom:

- configMapRef:
name: myconfig
- secretRef:
name: mysecret

Volumes & Storage

EmptyDir: lives as long as pod

HostPath: local node path

PersistentVolume & PVC:

- Define PersistentVolume (PV)
- Bind using PersistentVolumeClaim (PVC)

Apply with:

```
kubectl apply -f pvc.yaml
```

Namespaces and Contexts

List namespaces:

```
kubectl get namespaces
```

Use a namespace:

```
kubectl config set-context --current --namespace=dev
```

Switch context:

```
kubectl config use-context my-cluster
```

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View current context:

```
kubectl config current-context
```

Helm Basics

Install Helm chart:

```
helm install myrelease bitnami/nginx
```

Upgrade:

```
helm upgrade myrelease bitnami/nginx
```

Uninstall:

```
helm uninstall myrelease
```

List releases:

```
helm list
```

Kubernetes in Production

- Use resource requests/limits in pods
- Configure liveness/readiness probes
- Use HorizontalPodAutoscaler
- Apply RBAC (Role-based access control)
- Use namespaces for isolation
- Enable audit logging and monitoring

Advanced Concepts

Horizontal Pod Autoscaler:

```
kubectl autoscale deployment my-deploy --cpu-percent=50 --min=1 --max=10
```

Network Policies:

```
apiVersion: networking.k8s.io/v1
kind: NetworkPolicy
```

Custom Resource Definitions (CRD):

```
Extend Kubernetes with custom API objects
```

Taints & Tolerations:

```
Restrict pod scheduling to specific nodes
```

Node Affinity:

```
Control placement based on labels
```