Jobs and Cronjobs



- There are two types of job controllers in Kubernetes
 - One time / Run on completion
 - Scheduled Jobs
- Both are extremely useful in performing batch operations
- Jobs complement other controllers like Replica Set and Daemon Set

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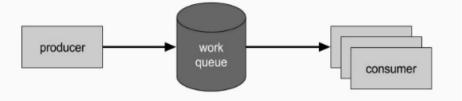


- Each Job creates one or more pods and ensures that they are successfully terminated
- If a pod or node fails during the execution, job controller will restart or reschedules the pod
- Job can also be used to run multiple pods in parallel
- A job can be scaled up using the kubectl scale command
- Job's spec may define the parallelism value for running multiple pods in parallel

Use case of Jobs



- One time, initialization of resources
 - Databases
 - File Systems
 - Cache
 - Configuration
- Multiple workers to process messages in a queue



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- A Cron Job manages time based Jobs
 - Once at a specified point in time
 - Repeatedly at a specified point in time
- Each Cron Job is similar to one line of a crontab (cron table) file
- A typical use cases include
 - Schedule a job execution at a given point in time.
 - Create a periodic job
 - Database backup
 - Sending emails

Works only on clusters with --runtime-config=batch/v2alpha1=true



