

#kubernetesIn30Days challenge:-

#Day22 :-

Everything about helm and usage in k8s.

Helm:-

→ Helm is a package manager for Kubernetes applications. It simplifies the process of deploying and managing applications on K8s by providing a standardized way of define, install and upgrade applications.

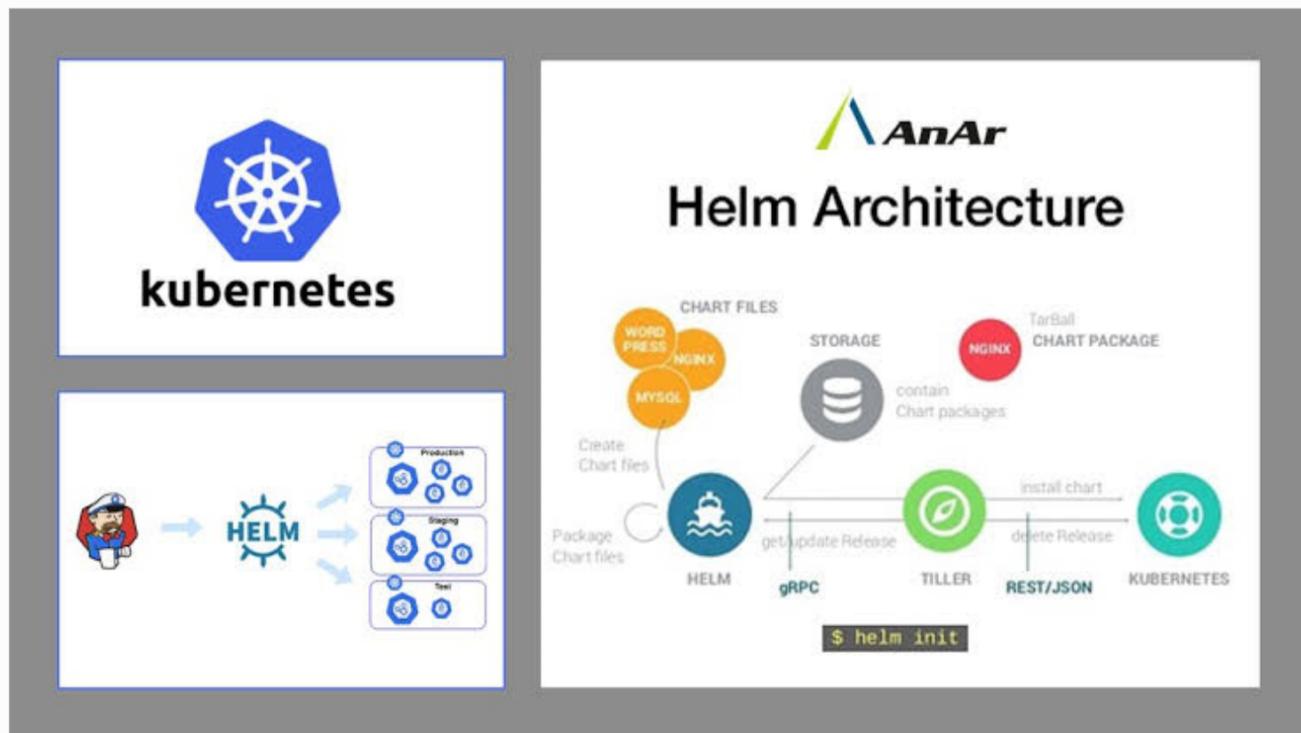
→ Helm uses charts, which are packages of pre-configured k8s resources.

Helm Basics:-

① chart:-

→ A helm package is called a chart. A chart contains all the k8s resources needed to run an application, including deployments, services, ingress rules and more.

→ charts are versioned and can be easily shared and reused.



② Templates :-

→ Inside a chart, you have templates written in YAML that defines k8s resources. Helm uses these templates to generate the actual k8s manifests with customized values.

③ Values :-

→ Helm allows you to parameterize your chart using values. These values can be provided at installation time, making charts flexible and reusable in different environments.

Helm workflow :-

Install → Upgrade → Rollback → delete

```
# helm install my-release ./mychart
```

↳ used to install particular chart

```
# helm upgrade my-release ./mychart
```

↳ used to upgrade package to latest version

```
# helm rollback my-release 1
```

↳ used to rollback package to previous version.

```
# helm uninstall my-release
```

↳ used to uninstall package.

Helm In Realtime scenarios :-

- ① Application Packaging
- ② configuration Management
- ③ Versioning and Rollbacks
- ④ community charts
- ⑤ customization.
- ⑥ CI/CD Integration

Handson - Helm :-

① Install Helm on your host / EC2 / VM using Installation guide

② create the Helm chart.

→ create new directory

→ go to respective directory and create webapp.

helm create my-webapp

③ Edit the values.yaml file in webapp and change tag to stable keeping everything same

Its just NGINX server to install helm.

④ Have the Kubernetes cluster. (here it is minikube cluster)

helm install my-webapp-release ./webapp

⑤ Verify deployments

① deployments

② pods

③ services.

⑥ Access the application using NodePort service at the minikube.

⑦ Now change the tag to latest and use below cmd:

```
# helm upgrade my-webapp-release ./webapp
```

⑧ Verify deployments

- ① deployments
- ② pods
- ③ services.

⑨ Uninstall the webapp for helm

```
# helm uninstall my-webapp-release
```

That's it you have done your Demo on Helm.

You can checkout work samples below.
on this hands-on. :-

```
MINGW64:/d/helm/webapp
betha@Rajasekhar_PC MINGW64 ~
$ helm version
version.BuildInfo{Version:"v3.13.2", GitCommit:"2a2fb3b98829f1e0be6fb18af2f6599e0f4e8243", GitTreeState:"clean", GoVersion:"go1.20.10"}
betha@Rajasekhar_PC MINGW64 ~
$ cd /d
betha@Rajasekhar_PC MINGW64 /d
$ ls
'$RECYCLE.BIN'/' Hey_DevOps_VMs/ 'System Volume Information'/ Vagrantfile k8s/ terraform/ test/ vagrant/
betha@Rajasekhar_PC MINGW64 /d
$ mkdir helm
betha@Rajasekhar_PC MINGW64 /d/helm
$ ls
betha@Rajasekhar_PC MINGW64 /d/helm
$ mkdir webapp
betha@Rajasekhar_PC MINGW64 /d/helm
$ cd webapp/
betha@Rajasekhar_PC MINGW64 /d/helm/webapp
$ helm create webapp
creating webapp
betha@Rajasekhar_PC MINGW64 /d/helm/webapp
$ |
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webapp/
betha@Rajasekhar_PC MINGW64 /d/helm/webapp
$ cd webapp/
betha@Rajasekhar_PC MINGW64 /d/helm/webapp/webapp
$ ls
chart.yaml charts/ templates/ values.yaml
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$ pwd
/d/helm/webapp
betha@Rajasekhar_PC MINGW64 /d/helm/webapp
$ ls
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betha@Rajasekhar_PC MINGW64 /d/helm/webapp
$ cd ..
betha@Rajasekhar_PC MINGW64 /d/helm
$ # Install the chart with a release name (e.g., my-webapp-release)
helm install my-webapp-release ./webapp
NAME: my-webapp-release
LAST DEPLOYED: Sat Dec 30 23:12:33 2023
NAMESPACE: default
STATUS: deployed
REVISION: 1
NOTES:
1. Get the application URL by running these commands:
   export POD_NAME=$(kubectl get pods --namespace default -l "app.kubernetes.io/name=webapp,app.kubernetes.io/instance=my-webapp-release" -o jsonpath='{.items[0].metadata.name}')
   export CONTAINER_PORT=$(kubectl get pod --namespace default $POD_NAME -o jsonpath=".spec.containers[0].ports[0].containerPort")
   echo "Visit http://127.0.0.1:8080 to use your application"
   kubectl --namespace default port-forward $POD_NAME 8080:$CONTAINER_PORT
betha@Rajasekhar_PC MINGW64 /d/helm
$ |
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betha@Rajasekhar_PC MINGW64 /d/helm
$ kubectl get po
NAME          READY   STATUS        RESTARTS   AGE
my-webapp-release-787c6cdcc4-9t8ps   0/1     ContainerCreating   0          13s
betha@Rajasekhar_PC MINGW64 /d/helm
$ |
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betha@Rajasekhar_PC MINGW64 /d/helm/webapp
$ vi values.yaml

betha@Rajasekhar_PC MINGW64 /d/helm/webapp
$ pwd
/d/helm/webapp

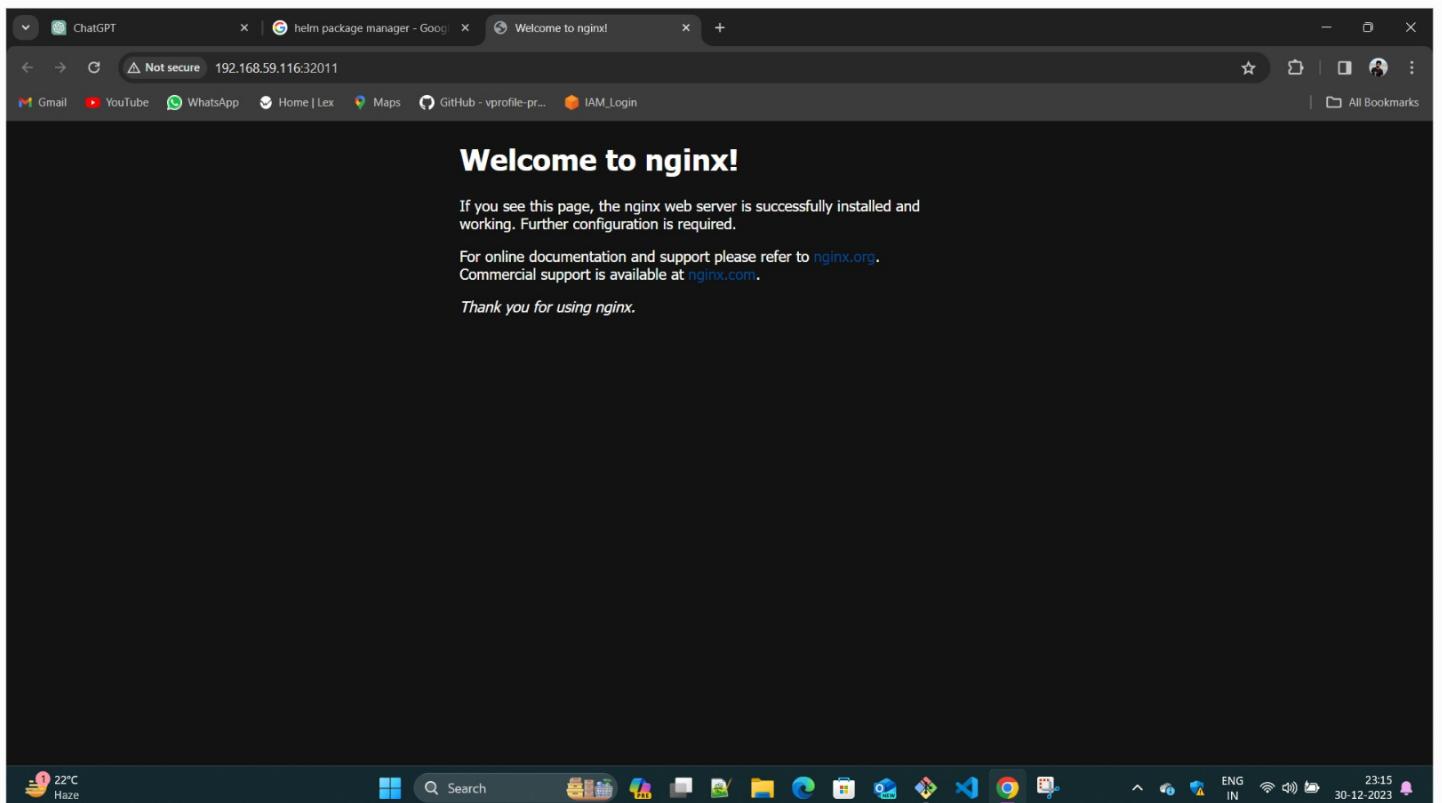
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  kubectl --namespace default port-forward $POD_NAME 8080:$CONTAINER_PORT

betha@Rajasekhar_PC MINGW64 /d/helm
$ kubectl get po
NAME          READY   STATUS        RESTARTS   AGE
my-webapp-release-787cccdcc4-9t8ps   0/1     ContainerCreating   0          13s

betha@Rajasekhar_PC MINGW64 /d/helm
$
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```
betha@Rajasekhar_PC MINGW64 /d/helm
$ kubectl get svc my-webapp-release
NAME           TYPE      CLUSTER-IP   EXTERNAL-IP  PORT(S)   AGE
my-webapp-release   ClusterIP  10.99.89.200 <none>        80/TCP    63s

betha@Rajasekhar_PC MINGW64 /d/helm
$ kubectl get svc my-webapp-release
NAME           TYPE      CLUSTER-IP   EXTERNAL-IP  PORT(S)   AGE
my-webapp-release   ClusterIP  10.99.89.200 <none>        80/TCP    83s

betha@Rajasekhar_PC MINGW64 /d/helm
$ kubectl get svc my-webapp-release
NAME           TYPE      CLUSTER-IP   EXTERNAL-IP  PORT(S)   AGE
my-webapp-release   ClusterIP  10.99.89.200 <none>        80/TCP    85s

betha@Rajasekhar_PC MINGW64 /d/helm
$ kubectl get svc my-webapp-release
NAME           TYPE      CLUSTER-IP   EXTERNAL-IP  PORT(S)   AGE
my-webapp-release   ClusterIP  10.99.89.200 <none>        80/TCP    86s

betha@Rajasekhar_PC MINGW64 /d/helm
$ kubectl edit svc/my-webapp-release
service/my-webapp-release edited

betha@Rajasekhar_PC MINGW64 /d/helm
$ kubectl get svc my-webapp-release
NAME           TYPE      CLUSTER-IP   EXTERNAL-IP  PORT(S)   AGE
my-webapp-release   NodePort  10.99.89.200 <none>        80:32011/TCP  2m14s

betha@Rajasekhar_PC MINGW64 /d/helm
$ minikube service my-webapp-release
|-----|
| NAMESPACE | NAME       | TARGET PORT | URL          |
|-----|
| default   | my-webapp-release | http/80     | http://192.168.59.116:32011 |
|-----|
* Opening service default/my-webapp-release in default browser...

betha@Rajasekhar_PC MINGW64 /d/helm
$
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```
# MINGW64/d/helm/webapp
# Default values for webapp.
# This is a YAML-formatted file.
# Declare variables to be passed into your templates.

replicaCount: 1

image:
  repository: nginx
  pullPolicy: IfNotPresent
  # overrides the image tag whose default is the chart appVersion.
  tag: "latest"

imagePullSecrets: []
nameOverride: ""
fullnameOverride: ""

serviceAccount:
  # Specifies whether a service account should be created
  create: true
  # Automatically mount a ServiceAccount's API credentials?
  automount: true
  # Annotations to add to the service account
  annotations: {}
  # The name of the service account to use.
  # If not set and create is true, a name is generated using the fullname template
  name: ""

podAnnotations: {}
podLabels: {}

podSecurityContext: {}
  # fsGroup: 2000

securityContext: {}
  # capabilities:
  #   drop:
  #     - ALL
  #   readOnlyRootFilesystem: true
  #   runAsNonRoot: true

values.yaml[+] [unix] (23:12 30/12/2023)
-- INSERT --
11,15 Top
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$ cd ..
betha@Rajasekhar_Pc MINGW64 /d/helm
$ helm upgrade my-webapp-release ./webapp
Release "my-webapp-release" has been upgraded. Happy Helming!
NAME: my-webapp-release
LAST DEPLOYED: Sat Dec 30 23:16:35 2023
NAMESPACE: default
STATUS: deployed
REVISION: 2
NOTES:
1. Get the application URL by running these commands:
  export POD_NAME=$(kubectl get pods --namespace default -l "app.kubernetes.io/name=webapp,app.kubernetes.io/instance=my-webapp-release" -o jsonpath='{.items[0].metadata.name}')
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STATUS: deployed
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  kubectl --namespace default port-forward $POD_NAME 8080:$CONTAINER_PORT
betha@Rajasekhar_Pc MINGW64 /d/helm
$ kubectl get deploy
NAME          READY   UP-TO-DATE   AVAILABLE   AGE
my-webapp-release   1/1      1           1          4m11s
betha@Rajasekhar_Pc MINGW64 /d/helm
$ kubectl get po
NAME                           READY   STATUS    RESTARTS   AGE
my-webapp-release-6f7d759b94-2wk46  1/1     Running   0          14s
my-webapp-release-787c6cdcc4-9t8ps  1/1     Terminating   0          4m16s
betha@Rajasekhar_Pc MINGW64 /d/helm
$
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betha@Rajasekhar_Pc MINGW64 /d/helm
$ kubectl get deploy
NAME          READY   UP-TO-DATE   AVAILABLE   AGE
my-webapp-release   1/1     1           1          4m20s

betha@Rajasekhar_Pc MINGW64 /d/helm
$ kubectl get svc
NAME        TYPE      CLUSTER-IP      EXTERNAL-IP      PORT(S)      AGE
kubernetes  ClusterIP  10.96.0.1      <none>          443/TCP     11m
my-webapp-release  ClusterIP  10.99.89.200  <none>          80/TCP      4m24s

betha@Rajasekhar_Pc MINGW64 /d/helm
$
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NOTES:
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betha@Rajasekhar_Pc MINGW64 /d/helm
$ kubectl get deploy
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my-webapp-release   1/1     1           1          4m20s

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betha@Rajasekhar_Pc MINGW64 /d/helm
$ helm uninstall my-webapp
Error: uninstall: Release not loaded: my-webapp: release: not found

betha@Rajasekhar_Pc MINGW64 /d/helm
$ helm uninstall my-webapp-release
release "my-webapp-release" uninstalled

betha@Rajasekhar_Pc MINGW64 /d/helm
$
```

That's it!
Done! Happy Helming!!!

Thanks for Reading
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