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Case Study: Understanding Kubernetes Cluster Architecture

#### Introduction: -

Kubernetes is an open-source platform used to deploy and maintain a group of containers in a virtualized environment. In practice, Kubernetes is most commonly used alongside Docker for better control and implementation of containerized applications. Containerized applications "bundle" applications together with all its files, libraries, and packages required for it to run reliably and efficiently on different platforms. However, it operates at the container level rather than at the hardware level.

The name Kubernetes is derived from a Greek term meaning 'helmsman' or 'pilot.' True to this word, Kubernetes provides the guiding force for developer platforms to transition from virtual machines (VMs) to containers and the statically scheduled to the dynamically scheduled. This means no more manual integration and configuration when you move from a testing environment to an actual production environment or from on-premise to the cloud! The Kubernetes logical compute environment offers common services to all the applications in the cluster as part of the ecosystem for the software to run consistently.

### Features of Kubernetes

- Automates various manual processes and controls server hosting and launching
- Manages containers offer security, and networking and storage services
- Monitors and continuously checks the health of nodes and containers
- Automates rollback for changes that go wrong
- Mounts and adds a storage system to run apps

## **Purpose of Kubernetes**

The primary purpose of Kubernetes is to enable developers to write and deploy applications that can run seamlessly across multiple operating environments. Traditionally, application performance and deployment were tightly coupled to specific infrastructures, often requiring adherence to cloud provider-specific constructs and back-end storage systems. This dependency resulted in infrastructure lock-in, limiting flexibility and scalability

Kubernetes addresses this challenge by abstracting the underlying infrastructure, allowing developers to deploy cloud-native applications in containers without restrictions. This means applications can be managed and scaled consistently across different environments—be it in the cloud, on-premises, or in hybrid setups—providing true infrastructure independence and operational flexibility.

# **Working of Kubernetes**

Before exploring how Kubernetes operates, it's essential to grasp the concept of containers and their significance in modern application development. A container is a small, lightweight virtual machine (VM) that does not have device drivers and shares its operating system among the applications. It is a good way to bundle and run applications in a production environment. However, you need to manage these containers in a proper way so that there is no downtime. This is where Kubernetes comes to the rescue.

Kubernetes works as a "container orchestration system" that manages the lifecycle of containerized applications and automates the deployment of several containers. Containers running the same applications are usually grouped together into Pods. There can be one or multiple containers in a single Pod and each of them shares the same IP address and resources such as memory and storage. By grouping the containers in this manner, Kubernetes eliminates the need to cram multiple functionalities in one single container. There is a dedicated container orchestrator which supervises these groups and ensures that they operate correctly.

# **Kubernetes in DevOps**

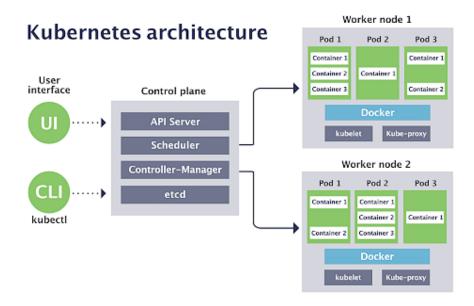
Kubernetes is more than just a container orchestration tool; it's a powerful enabler of DevOps practices. By bridging the gap between IT operations and development, Kubernetes fosters a collaborative DevOps environment, ensuring that software and its dependencies are shared seamlessly across different environments.

Kubernetes facilitates various stages of the software lifecycle, enhancing the build-test-deploy timeline:

- **Developer Environment:** Helps run software consistently in any setting, ensuring that applications behave the same across different environments.
- **QA/Testing Process:** Coordinates pipelines between test and production environments, streamlining the testing process.
- Sys-Admin: Once configured, Kubernetes runs anything, simplifying system administration tasks.
- **Operations:** Provides a comprehensive solution for building, shipping, and scaling software, making operations smoother and more efficient.

## **Kubernetes Cluster Architecture**

A Kubernetes cluster consists of a set of worker machines, called nodes, that run containerized applications. The cluster is managed by a control plane, which is responsible for maintaining the desired state of the cluster, such as which applications are running and where they are running.



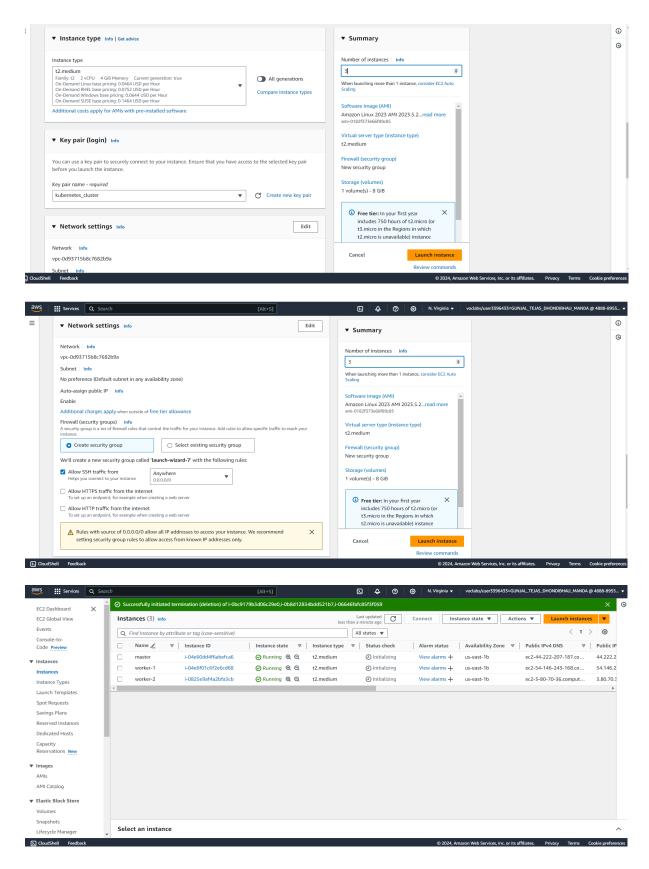
**Control Plane:** The control plane is the brain of the Kubernetes cluster, responsible for managing the desired state of the cluster, making decisions on scheduling, and responding to cluster events.

- API Server: The API server acts as the front-end for the Kubernetes control plane. It exposes the Kubernetes API, which is used by both internal components and external users (via CLI or UI) to communicate with the cluster.
- Scheduler: The scheduler is responsible for assigning newly created pods to nodes in the cluster. It evaluates the resource requirements of the pods against the available resources on the nodes, ensuring optimal placement.
- ☐ Controller Manager: This component runs various controllers that manage the state of the cluster. For example, it ensures that the number of pod replicas matches the desired configuration and handles node failures.
- etcd: A key-value store that holds all the configuration data for the Kubernetes cluster, including the current state and the desired state of the objects in the cluster. It is essential for maintaining cluster consistency and recovery.

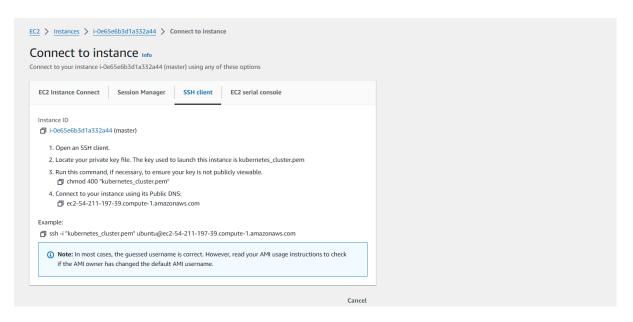
**Worker Nodes:** Worker nodes are the machines where the application workloads run. Each worker node contains the services necessary to run pods and communicate with the control plane.

- ☐ **Kubelet:** The kubelet is an agent that runs on each worker node. It ensures that containers are running in a pod as expected by the control plane. It communicates with the API server to receive instructions and report back the status of the node and its workloads.
- ☐ **Kube-proxy:** Kube-proxy is a network proxy that runs on each worker node. It manages the networking for the pods, ensuring that each pod can communicate with others, both within and outside the cluster.

	Docker (or other container runtimes): Docker is the container runtime that runs and manages the
	containers on the worker nodes. It pulls container images from a registry, starts and stops containers, and manages container storage and networking.
Us	er Interfaces: Users interact with the Kubernetes cluster through two primary interfaces:
	UI (User Interface): A graphical interface that provides an easy way to manage and monitor the cluster.
	CLI (Command-Line Interface, e.g., kubectl): A more powerful tool for managing the cluster allowing users to interact with the API server directly via command-line commands.
an	is architecture allows Kubernetes to abstract away the underlying infrastructure, providing a consistent discalable environment for deploying and managing containerized applications across different vironments.
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ma en suj	conclusion, Kubernetes is a powerful, open-source platform that automates the deployment and unagement of containerized applications. Its architecture ensures seamless operation across diverse vironments, promoting flexibility and scalability. By abstracting the underlying infrastructure and poporting DevOps practices, Kubernetes enhances the software development lifecycle. This results in eamlined operations, reduced downtime, and consistent application performance.
	Install and Spin Up a Kubernetes Cluster on Linux Machines/Cloud Platforms.
	Create 3 EC2 instances, one for the master node and two for the worker nodes



☐ After the instances have been created, copy the text given in the example part of each of the three instances into git bash.



```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-29-63: ~
Microsoft Windows [Version 10.0.22631.4112]
(c) Microsoft Corporation. All rights reserved.
C:\Users\TEJAS\Downloads>ssh -i "kubernetes_cluster.pem" ubuntu@ec2-54-211-197-39.compute-1.amazonaws.com
The authenticity of host 'ec2-54-211-197-39.compute-1.amazonaws.com (54.211.197.39)' can't be established. ED25519 key fingerprint is SHA256:E7RRK6LxQFHSnbWLb8zgsskyIdj0YXpInW0b08/5vnA.
This key is not known by any other names

Are you sure you want to continue connecting (yes/no/[fingerprint])? yes

Warning: Permanently added 'ec2-54-211-197-39.compute-1.amazonaws.com' (ED25519) to the list of known hosts.

Welcome to Ubuntu 22.04.4 LTS (GNU/Linux 6.5.0-1022-aws x86_64)
    Documentation: https://help.ubuntu.com
                           https://landscape.canonical.com
https://ubuntu.com/pro
  * Support:
 System information as of Sun Sep 15 17:48:58 UTC 2024
   System load: 0.28
                                                  Processes:
                                                                                    115
                       20.7% of 7.57GB
                                                  Users logged in:
                                                  IPv4 address for eth0: 172.31.29.63
   Memory usage: 5%
Expanded Security Maintenance for Applications is not enabled.
```

☐ Update the package manager on all nodes:

☐ Installing Required Packages for HTTPS and Certificate Transport on Ubuntu

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wbuntu@ip-172-31-29-63:~ x + v - □ x

ubuntu@ip-172-31-29-63:~ x sudo apt-get install -y apt-transport-https ca-certificates curl

Reading package lists... Done

Building dependency tree... Done

Reading state information... Done

ca-certificates is already the newest version (20230311ubuntu0.22.04.1).

ca-certificates set to manually installed.

The following NEW packages will be installed:
    apt-transport-https

The following packages will be upgraded:
    curl libcurl4

2 upgraded, 1 newly installed, 0 to remove and 67 not upgraded.

Need to get 485 kB of archives.

After this operation, 170 kB of additional disk space will be used.

Get:1 http://us-east-1.ec2.archive.ubuntu.com/ubuntu jammy-updates/universe amd64 apt-transport-https all 2.4.13 [1510 B]

Get:2 http://us-east-1.ec2.archive.ubuntu.com/ubuntu jammy-updates/main amd64 curl amd64 7.81.0-1ubuntu1.17 [194 kB]

Get:3 http://us-east-1.ec2.archive.ubuntu.com/ubuntu jammy-updates/main amd64 libcurl4 amd64 7.81.0-1ubuntu1.17 [290 kB]

Fetched 485 kB in 0s (17.3 MB/s)

Selecting previously unselected package apt-transport-https.

(Reading database ... 65326 files and directories currently installed.)

Preparing to unpack .../curl_7.81.0-1ubuntu1.17_amd64.deb ...

Unpacking apt-transport-https (2.4.13) ...

Preparing to unpack .../curl_7.81.0-1ubuntu1.17_amd64.deb ...

Unpacking curl (7.81.0-1ubuntu1.17) over (7.81.0-1ubuntu1.16) ...
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# ☐ Installing Docker on Ubuntu

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■ ubuntu@ip-172-31-29-63: ~ ×
 ubuntu@ip-172-31-29-63:~$ sudo apt install docker.io -y
Reading package lists... Done
Building dependency tree... Done
Reading state information... Done
The following additional packages will be installed:
   bridge-utils containerd dns-root-data dnsmasq-base pigz runc ubuntu-fan
Suggested packages:
   ifupdown aufs-tools cgroupfs-mount | cgroup-lite debootstrap docker-doc rinse zfs-fuse | zfsutils
The following NEW packages will be installed:
bridge-utils containerd dns-root-data dnsmasq-base docker.io pigz runc ubuntu-fan
0 upgraded, 8 newly installed, 0 to remove and 67 not upgraded.
Need to get 75.5 MB of archives.
After this operation, 284 MB of additional disk space will be used.

Get:1 http://us-east-1.ec2.archive.ubuntu.com/ubuntu jammy/universe amd64 pigz amd64 2.6-1 [63.6 kB]
Get:2 http://us-east-1.ec2.archive.ubuntu.com/ubuntu jammy/main amd64 bridge-utils amd64 1.7-lubuntu3 [34.4 kB]
Get:3 http://us-east-1.ec2.archive.ubuntu.com/ubuntu jammy-updates/main amd64 runc amd64 1.1.12-0ubuntu2~22.04.1 [8405 k
Get:4 http://us-east-1.ec2.archive.ubuntu.com/ubuntu jammy-updates/main amd64 containerd amd64 1.7.12-0ubuntu2~22.04.1 [
37.8 MB]
Get:5 http://us-east-1.ec2.archive.ubuntu.com/ubuntu jammy-updates/main amd64 dns-root-data all 2023112702~ubuntu0.22.04
 .1 [5136 B]
Get:6_http://us-east-1.ec2.archive.ubuntu.com/ubuntu jammy-updates/main amd64 dnsmasq-base amd64 2.90-0ubuntu0.22.04.1 [
374 kB]
Get:7 http://us-east-1.ec2.archive.ubuntu.com/ubuntu jammy-updates/universe amd64 docker.io amd64 24.0.7-0ubuntu2~22.04.
```

☐ Enabling Docker and Disabling Swap on Ubuntu

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-29-63: ~ X + v

ubuntu@ip-172-31-29-63: ~$ sudo systemctl enable --now docker
ubuntu@ip-172-31-29-63: ~$ sudo swapoff -a
```

☐ Load necessary kernel modules for networking and iptables:

☐ Configure sysctl settings for Kubernetes networking:

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-29-63: ~
 ubuntu@ip-172-31-29-63:~$ cat <<EOF | sudo tee /etc/sysctl.d/k8s.conf
 net.bridge.bridge-nf-call-iptables
                                                                                            = 1
  net.bridge.bridge-nf-call-ip6tables = 1
 net.ipv4.ip_forward
 E0F
 net.bridge.bridge-nf-call-iptables = 1
 net.bridge.bridge-nf-call-ip6tables = 1
 net.ipv4.ip_forward
ubuntu@ip-172-31-29-63: ~
 ubuntu@ip-172-31-29-63:~$ sudo sysctl --system
* Applying /etc/sysctl.d/10-console-messages.conf ...
 kernel.printk = 4 4 1 7
* Applying /etc/sysctl.d/10-ipv6-privacy.conf ...
 net.ipv6.conf.all.use_tempaddr = 2
net.ipv6.conf.default.use_tempaddr = 2
  * Applying /etc/sysctl.d/10-kernel-hardening.conf ...
**Applying /etc/sysctt.d/10-magic-sysrq.conf ...
kernel.kptr_restrict = 1

**Applying /etc/sysctl.d/10-magic-sysrq.conf ...
kernel.sysrq = 176

**Applying /etc/sysctl.d/10-network-security.conf ...
net.ipv4.conf.default.rp_filter = 2
net.ipv4.conf.all.rp_filter = 2

**Applying /etc/sysctl.d/10-ptrace.conf ...
kernel.yama.ptrace_scope = 1

**Applying /etc/sysctl.d/10-zeropage.conf ...
vm.mmap_min_addr = 65536

**Applying /etc/sysctl.d/50-cloudimg-settings.conf ...
net.ipv4.neigh.default.gc_thresh2 = 15360
net.ipv4.neigh.default.gc_thresh3 = 16384
net.netfilter.nf_conntrack_max = 1048576

**Applying /usr/lib/sysctl.d/50-default.conf ...
kernel.core_uses_pid = 1
net.ipv4.conf.default.rp_filter = 2
 kernel.kptr_restrict = 1
 net.ipv4.conf.default.rp_filter = 2
```

☐ Install Kubernetes tools on all nodes.

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-29-63: ~
ubuntu@ip-172-31-29-63:~$ curl -fsSL https://pkgs.k8s.io/core:/stable:/v1.29/deb/Release.key | sudo gpg --dearmor -o /et
c/apt/keyrings/kubernetes-apt-keyring.gpg echo 'deb [signed-by=/etc/apt/keyrings/kubernetes-apt-keyrings/kubernetes-apt-keyring.gpg] https://pkgs.k8s.io/core:/stable:/v1.29/deb//' | sud o tee /etc/apt/sources.list.d/kubernetes.list
deb [signed-by=/etc/apt/keyrings/kubernetes-apt-keyring.gpg] https://pkgs.k8s.io/core:/stable:/v1.29/deb/
ubuntu@ip-172-31-29-63:~$ sudo apt-get update -y
sudo apt-get install -y kubelet="1.29.0-*" kubectl="1.29.0-*" kubeadm="1.29.0-*
Hit:1 http://us-east-1.ec2.archive.ubuntu.com/ubuntu jammy InRelease
Hit:2 http://us-east-1.ec2.archive.ubuntu.com/ubuntu jammy-updates InRelease
Hit:3 http://us-east-1.ec2.archive.ubuntu.com/ubuntu jammy-backports InRelease
Hit:4 http://security.ubuntu.com/ubuntu jammy-security InRelease
Get:5 https://prod-cdn.packages.k8s.io/repositories/isv:/kubernetes:/core:/stable:/v1.29/deb InRelease [1189 B]
Get:6 https://prod-cdn.packages.k8s.io/repositories/isv:/kubernetes:/core:/stable:/v1.29/deb Packages [14.0 kB] Fetched 15.1 kB in 0s (31.9 kB/s)
Reading package lists... Done Reading package lists... Done
Reading package tiss... bone

Reading state information... Done

Reading state information... Done

Selected version '1.29.0-1.1' (isv:kubernetes:core:stable:v1.29:pkgs.k8s.io [amd64]) for 'kubelet'

Selected version '1.29.0-1.1' (isv:kubernetes:core:stable:v1.29:pkgs.k8s.io [amd64]) for 'kubectl'

Selected version '1.29.0-1.1' (isv:kubernetes:core:stable:v1.29:pkgs.k8s.io [amd64]) for 'kubeadm'

The following additional package will be instabled:
The following additional packages will be installed:
conntrack cri-tools ebtables kubernetes-cni socat
The following NEW packages will be installed:
 ubuntu@ip-172-31-29-63:~$ sudo apt-mark hold kubelet kubeadm kubectl
 kubelet set on hold.
 kubeadm set on hold.
 kubectl set on hold.
```

## Only on master node

☐ Initialize the Kubernetes Cluster on Master Node

```
Your Kubernetes control-plane has initialized successfully!

To start using your cluster, you need to run the following as a regular user:

mkdir -p $HOME/.kube
sudo cp -i /etc/kubernetes/admin.conf $HOME/.kube/config
sudo chown $(id -u):$(id -g) $HOME/.kube/config

Alternatively, if you are the root user, you can run:

export KUBECONFIG=/etc/kubernetes/admin.conf

You should now deploy a pod network to the cluster.
Run "kubectl apply -f [podnetwork].yaml" with one of the options listed at:
    https://kubernetes.io/docs/concepts/cluster-administration/addons/

Then you can join any number of worker nodes by running the following on each as root:

kubeadm join 172.31.29.63:6443 --token 05rvqu.66v5246nmoe81d5e \
    --discovery-token-ca-cert-hash sha256:ff6e3056ea0d41a598919b1be9dbe765739c40a5aa6d37b5e4cbc45b1256c1c7
```

☐ Set up kubectl on the master node

To enable communication between pods, install a pod network plugin like Flannel or Calico

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-29-63:~$ sudo systemctl restart kubelet
ubuntu@ip-172-31-29-63:~$ mkdir -p $HOME/.kube
sudo cp -i /etc/kubernetes/admin.conf $HOME/.kube/config
sudo chown $(id -u):$(id -g) $HOME/.kube/config
cp: overwrite '/home/ubuntu/.kube/config'? y
ubuntu@ip-172-31-29-63:~$ kubectl apply -f https://raw.githubusercontent.com/coreos/flannel/master/Documentation/kube-fl
annel.yml
namespace/kube-flannel created
clusterrole.rbac.authorization.k8s.io/flannel created
clusterrole.rbac.authorization.k8s.io/flannel created
clusterrolebinding.rbac.authorization.k8s.io/flannel created
serviceaccount/flannel created
configmap/kube-flannel-cfg created
daemonset.apps/kube-flannel-ds created
ubuntu@ip-172-31-29-63:~$ kubeadm token create --print-join-command
kubeadm join 172.31.29-63:~$ kubeadm token create --print-join-command
kubeadm join 172.31.29.63:6443 --token avprdu.7xw3ox1x619w6zfw --discovery-token-ca-cert-hash sha256:ff6e3056ea0d41a5989
19b1be9dbe765739c40a5aa6d37b5e4cbc45b1256c1c7
ubuntu@ip-172-31-29-63:~$ |
```

### Only on Worker nodes

☐ Join Worker Nodes to the Cluster

☐ On the worker nodes, run the command provided by the master node during initialization. It looks something like this: sudo kubeadm join:6443 --token --discovery-token-ca-cert-hash sha256:

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ubuntu@ip-172-31-20-115:~$ sudo kubeadm join 172.31.29.63:6443 --token avprdu.7xw3ox1x6l9w6zfw --discovery-token-ca-cer
Thash sha256:ff6e3056ea0d41a598919blbe9dbe765739c40a5aa6d37b5e4cbc45b1256c1c7 --v-5
I0915 18:26:15.816542 3382 join.go:413] [preflight] found NodeName empty; using OS hostname as NodeName
I0915 18:26:15.816650 3382 initconfiguration.go:122] detected and using CRI socket: unix:///var/run/containerd/contai
 nerd.sock
 [preflight] Running pre-flight checks
I0915 18:26:15.816686 3382 preflig
                                                                 3382 preflight.go:93] [preflight] Running general checks
                                                                3382 checks.go:280] validating the existence of file /etc/kubernetes/kubelet.conf
3382 checks.go:280] validating the existence of file /etc/kubernetes/bootstrap-kubelet.conf
3382 checks.go:1041 validating the container runtime
3382 checks.go:639] validating whether swap is enabled or not
3382 checks.go:3701 validating the presence of executable crictl
3382 checks.go:3701 validating the presence of executable conntrack
I0915 18:26:15.816765
I0915 18:26:15.816774
I0915 18:26:15.816784
I0915 18:26:15.833043
I0915 18:26:15.833129
I0915 18:26:15.833152
                                                                3382 checks.go:370] validating the presence of executable conntract 3382 checks.go:370] validating the presence of executable ip 3382 checks.go:370] validating the presence of executable iptables 3382 checks.go:370] validating the presence of executable mount 3382 checks.go:370] validating the presence of executable nsenter 3382 checks.go:370] validating the presence of executable ethables 3382 checks.go:370] validating the presence of executable ethtool 3382 checks.go:370] validating the presence of executable socat 3382 checks.go:370] validating the presence of executable socat
 I0915 18:26:15.833171
I0915 18:26:15.833203
 I0915 18:26:15.833227
 10915 18:26:15.833242
 10915 18:26:15.833292
 I0915 18:26:15.833320
 T0915 18:26:15.833340
                                                                 3382 checks.go:370] validating the presence of executable to
ootstrap-kubelet.conf
                                                                3382 kubelet.go:136] [kubelet-start] writing CA certificate at /etc/kubernetes/pki/ca.crt 3382 kubelet.go:157] [kubelet-start] Checking for an existing Node in the cluster with name "ip
T0915 18:26:15.933343
 I0915 18:26:15.933723
10915 10:20:15.953725 5362 Rubetet.go:157] [Rubetet-start] Checking for an existing wode in the clust -172-31-20-115" and status "Ready"

10915 18:26:15.936219 3382 kubelet.go:172] [kubelet-start] Stopping the kubelet
[kubelet-start] Writing kubelet configuration to file "/var/lib/kubelet/config.yaml"
[kubelet-start] Writing kubelet environment file with flags to file "/var/lib/kubelet/kubeadm-flags.env"
[kubelet-start] Starting the kubelet
[kubelet-start] Waiting for the kubelet to perform the TLS Bootstrap...
10915 18:26:17 103583 3382 cert rotation go:137] Starting client certificate rotation controller
10915 18:26:17.103583 3382 cert_rotation.go:137] Starting client certificate rotation controller
10915 18:26:17.104245 3382 kubelet.go:220] [kubelet-start] preserving the crisocket information for the node
10915 18:26:17.104261 3382 patchnode.go:31] [patchnode] Uploading the CRI Socket information "unix:///var/run/contain erd/containerd.sock" to the Node API object "ip-172-31-20-115" as an annotation
This node has joined the cluster:
* Certificate signing request was sent to apiserver and a response was received. * The Kubelet was informed of the new secure connection details.
Run 'kubectl get nodes' on the control-plane to see this node join the cluster.
```

☐ Verify the Cluster

ubuntu@ip-172-31-20-115:~\$

Once the worker node joins, check the status on the master node