

## 118. Multi-Container pools

⇒ The idea of decoupling a large monolithic application into sub components known as microservices enables us to develop and deploy a set of independent small & reusable code.

⇒ Microservices architecture can then help us scale up, down, as well as modify each service as required as opposed to modifying entire application.

⇒ However at times, we need 2 services to work together such as webserver & logging service.

\* We need one agent instance per webserver instance paired together, we don't want to merge & load the code of both services, as each of them target different functionalities & you would still like them to be developed & deployed separately.

\* We only need 2 functionalities to work together, we need one agent per webserver instance paired together that can scale up & down together & that is why you have multi-container pools <sup>that</sup> sharing the same life cycle which means they are created together & destroyed together, they share the same namespace, which means they can refer to each other as local host & they have access to the same storage volumes. This way we do not have to establish volume sharing or services b/w pools to enable communication b/w them.

### To Create a multi-container pool

Add the new container information to pod-definition file.



Remember

⇒ The Containers section under the spec section in a pod definition file is an array, & the reason it is an array, is to allow multiple containers in a single pod.  
⇒ In this case, we add a new container named log agent to our existing pod.

pod-definition.yml

apiVersion: v1

kind: Pod

metadata:

name: sample-webapp

labels:

name: sample-webapp

spec:

containers:

- name: sample-webapp

image: sample-webapp

ports:

- containerPort: 8080

- name: log-agent

image: log-agent