Kubernetes WSL Ubuntu 24.04

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These instructions will enable you to run podman, kubectl and minikube on Windows 11 using WSL2 with an Ubuntu 24.04 distribution. Please notice that if you ever mess up the installation or you just somehow encounter errors or strange behavior you can stomp the entire distribution from powershell using the command \$> wsl --unregister ubuntu (this also works for every other distribution name if necessary).

Set Up Instructions

1. Download ubuntu-24.04 as WSL on the microsoft store and create ~/.wslconfig like so

```
[ws12]
memory=20GB
processors=6
localhostForwarding=true
dnsProxy=true
autoProxy=true
nestedVirtualization=true
```

- 2. Open the distribution by typing wsl in powershell and setup user name and password
- 3. Install podman and necessary components using following statements

```
sudo apt-get update
sudo apt-get -y install podman
sudo apt install qemu-kvm libvirt-daemon-system libvirt-clients bridge-utils
sudo systemctl enable libvirtd
sudo systemctl start libvirtd
```

4. Install gvproxy (look up the newest version of the gvproxy-repo and replace v0.7.4)

```
cd /tmp
sudo wget https://github.com/containers/gvisor-tap-vsock/releases/download/v0.7.4/gvproxy-linux-amd64 \
    -0 /usr/libexec/podman/gvproxy
sudo chmod +x /usr/libexec/podman/gvproxy
```

5. Open the file ~/.config/containers/containers.conf and edit the [engine] stanza

```
[engine]
helper_binaries_dir = ["/usr/libexec/podman"]
# ... some more automatically generated content will already be in here no worries and do NOT delete that ...
```

6. Give permissions on /dev/kvm to every user on your system (this is discouraged on mission critical systems)

```
sudo chmod 777 -R /dev/kvm
```

7. Make the / mount shared (this is discouraged on mission critical systems)

```
sudo mount --make-rshared /
```

8. Start up podman with following commands

```
# if you do not restart, you can ommit the first two statements
podman machine stop
podman machine rm -f
podman machine init --cpus 6 --disk-size 256 --memory 8192
podman machine set --rootful
podman machine start
```

10. Install kubernetes cli executing following commands

```
cd /tmp
curl -LO "https://dl.k8s.io/release/$(curl -L -s https://dl.k8s.io/release/stable.txt)/bin/linux/amd64/kubectl"
curl -LO "https://dl.k8s.io/release/$(curl -L -s https://dl.k8s.io/release/stable.txt)/bin/linux/amd64/kubectl.sha256"
echo "$(cat kubectl.sha256) kubectl" | sha256sum --check
# [output] > kubectl: OK
sudo install -o root -g root -m 0755 kubectl /usr/local/bin/kubectl && rm kubectl && rm kubectl.sha256
kubectl version
```

This will complain that the connection to the server was refused don't worry.

11. Install minikube using the same method

```
cd /tmp
curl -LO https://storage.googleapis.com/minikube/releases/latest/minikube-linux-amd64
curl -LO https://storage.googleapis.com/minikube/releases/latest/minikube-linux-amd64.sha256
echo "$(cat minikube-linux-amd64.sha256) minikube-linux-amd64" | sha256sum --check
# [output] > minikube-linux-amd64: OK
sudo install -o root -g root -m 0755 minikube-linux-amd64 /usr/local/bin/minikube
rm minikube-linux-amd64 && rm minikube-linux-amd64.sha256
minikube version
```

This will complain again don't worry.

- 12. Go outside take a deep breath, everything will be okay
- 13. To be able to actually run minikube you have to update the sudoers file

```
whoami
# [output] > <your-username>
sudo visudo
# add an entry at any position on any line the order does not matter
<your-username> ALL=(ALL) NOPASSWD: /usr/bin/podman
```

14. Now you can actually start minikube

```
minikube start --driver=podman --container-runtime=cri-o --network=host
# [output] > Done! kubectl is now configured to use "minikube" cluster and "default" namespace by default
```

If you do not get the "Done!" in the output don't worry. It means you will go through "google-duckduckgo-ChatGPT-hell" now. This will be an agonizing experience but it does not make it any better if you worry.

To reset minikube or stop the service run:

```
minikube stop
minikube delete --all
minikube start --driver=podman --container-runtime=cri-o --network=host
```

Create Deployment

In this section we create a deployment directly on the command line. This method is not recommended for several reasons but it shows how all of the deployment steps take place.

1. Check pods and services

```
kubectl get nodes
# [output]
# NAME STATUS ROLES AGE VERSION
# minikube Ready control-plane 29m v1.30.0
minikube status
# [output]
# minikube
# type: Control Plane
# host: Running
# kubelet: Running
# apiserver: Running
# kubeconfig: Configured
kubectl get pod
# [output] > No resources found in default namespace.
kubectl get services
# [output]
# NAME
            TYPE
                       CLUSTER-IP EXTERNAL-IP PORT(S) AGE
# kubernetes ClusterIP 10.96.0.1 <none> 443/TCP 5m10s
```

- 2. Make sure you have access to an image for a pod (either by using a Containerfile or by accessing an online repository. In this example we use quay.io/coreos/alpine-sh)
- 3. Create the deployment

```
# working test with a blocked and sleeping pod that will log out "Log from the pod" and goes to sleep for 3 minutes kubectl create deployment my-deployment-name --image=quay.io/coreos/alpine-sh -- /bin/sh -c "echo Log from the pod && sleep 180"
```

4. Check pod (output deployment-replicahash-podid)

5. Check replica set (output deployment-replicahash)

6. Check deployment

Update, Monitor and Delete Deployment

1. Edit deployment

```
kubectl edit deployment my-deployment-name
# [output] > status-file content as vi-session
# [note] > this is 'vi' press 'i' to insert, the 'esc' to exit insert mode
# and then ':q!' to cancel editing or ':wq!' to write and quit
```

2. Try updating the number of replicaset from 1 to 2 and check the deployment again

3. Print the pods logs (the logs have to be printed while the pod is in 'running' state)

```
kubectl logs my-deployment-name-58d79b7854-xn7r8
# [output] > Log from the pod
```

4 Start an interactive terminal on the container

```
kubectl exec -it my-deployment-name-58d79b7854-xn7r8 -- bin/sh
# [output] > You get to use a bash session on the pod and can use linux commands like 'ls -al'
```

5. Delete the deployment

```
kubectl delete deployment my-deployment-name
# [output] > deployment.apps "my-deployment-name" deleted
```

Create Deployment From YAML

In this section a yml file will be created to deploy a docker.io/library/nginx image. Make sure that your computer has internet access and the command podman pull docker.io/library/nginx actually works as expected without any errors.

1. Set up a configuration file (for example deployment-config.yml) for your deployment with content:

```
apiVersion: apps/v1
kind: Deployment
metadata:
 name: mr-black # choose this name freely
   key: black-app # this can be literally any key-value
spec:
 replicas: 2 # number of pods containing the same image
 selector:
   matchLabels:
     key: black-app
 template:
   metadata:
     labels:
       key: black-app
   spec:
     containers:
     - name: black-app
       image: docker.io/library/nginx:1.16
        ports:
        - containerPort: 5645
```

2. To create the deployment run

```
kubectl apply -f ./deployment-config.yml
# [output] > deployment.apps/mr-black created
```

Create Service For Deployment

1. To add a service create a file (for example service-config.yml) with content:

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: Service
metadata:
   name: mr-black-service # choose this name freely
spec:
   selector:
        key: black-app
ports:
   - protocol: TCP
        port: 80
        targetPort: 5645 # has to match deployment containerPort
```

2. To create the service run

```
kubectl apply -f ./service-config.yml
# [output] > service/mr-black-service created
```

3. To get the status that is stored in etcd key-value store of kubernetes run

```
kubectl get deployment mr-black -o yaml > status.yml
```

4. To check everything is running

```
      kubectl get all

      # [output]

      # NAME
      READY STATUS RESTARTS AGE

      # pod/mr-black-7c6b98f888-f5w9r
      1/1 Running 0 2m51s

      # pod/mr-black-7c6b98f888-mkv6l
      1/1 Running 0 2m51s

      # NAME
      TYPE CLUSTER-IP EXTERNAL-IP PORT(S) AGE

      # service/kubernetes ClusterIP 10.96.0.1 <none> 443/TCP 3h35m

      # service/mr-black-service ClusterIP 10.100.217.246 <none> 80/TCP 62s

      # NAME
      READY UP-TO-DATE AVAILABLE AGE

      # deployment.apps/mr-black
      2/2 2 2 2m51s

      # NAME
      DESIRED CURRENT READY AGE

      # replicaset.apps/mr-black-7c6b98f888
      2 2 2m51s
```

5. To remove everything run

```
kubectl delete service mr-black-service
# [output] > service "mr-black-service" deleted
kubectl delete deployment mr-black
# [output] > deployment.apps "mr-black" deleted
```

Namespaces

Not only the name property of every service, pod, secret and configmap can be set seperately and dynamically, also the namespace property can be set. This is not set randomly but usually created first.

You can do this by running:

```
kubectl create namespace black-space
# [output] > namespace/black-space created
```

Or you can use a config file for example like this:

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: Namespace
metadata:
name: black-space
```

However Volumes and Nodes can not be created in a namespace. They live *globally* in a cluster and they can not be *isolated*. Nevertheless you can check if there are resources like that with following command:

[output]				
‡ NAME	SHORTNAMES	APIVERSION	NAMESPACED	KIND
# componentstatuses	CS	v1	false	ComponentStatus
# namespaces	ns	v1	false	Namespace
# nodes	no	v1	false	Node
# persistentvolumes	pv	V1	false	PersistentVolume
# mutatingwebhookconfigurations		admissionregistration.k8s.io/v1	false	MutatingWebhookConfiguration
<pre>* validatingadmissionpolicies</pre>		admissionregistration.k8s.io/v1	false	ValidatingAdmissionPolicy
* validatingadmissionpolicybindings		admissionregistration.k8s.io/v1	false	ValidatingAdmissionPolicyBinding
validatingwebhookconfigurations		admissionregistration.k8s.io/v1	false	ValidatingWebhookConfiguration
t customresourcedefinitions	crd,crds	apiextensions.k8s.io/v1	false	CustomResourceDefinition
‡ apiservices		apiregistration.k8s.io/v1	false	APIService
# selfsubjectreviews		authentication.k8s.io/v1	false	SelfSubjectReview
tokenreviews		authentication.k8s.io/v1	false	TokenReview
‡ selfsubjectaccessreviews		authorization.k8s.io/v1	false	SelfSubjectAccessReview
# selfsubjectrulesreviews		authorization.k8s.io/v1	false	SelfSubjectRulesReview
# subjectaccessreviews		authorization.k8s.io/v1	false	SubjectAccessReview
t certificatesigningrequests	csr	certificates.k8s.io/v1	false	CertificateSigningRequest
‡ flowschemas		flowcontrol.apiserver.k8s.io/v1	false	FlowSchema
prioritylevelconfigurations		flowcontrol.apiserver.k8s.io/v1	false	PriorityLevelConfiguration
‡ ingressclasses		networking.k8s.io/v1	false	IngressClass
‡ runtimeclasses		node.k8s.io/v1	false	RuntimeClass
t clusterrolebindings		rbac.authorization.k8s.io/v1	false	ClusterRoleBinding
# clusterroles		rbac.authorization.k8s.io/v1	false	ClusterRole
† priorityclasses	рс	scheduling.k8s.io/v1	false	PriorityClass
t csidrivers		storage.k8s.io/v1	false	CSIDriver
t csinodes		storage.k8s.io/v1	false	CSINode
‡ storageclasses	SC	storage.k8s.io/v1	false	StorageClass
# volumeattachments		storage.k8s.io/v1	false	VolumeAttachment

(or use --namespaced=true for all other resources)

Selecting Resources From Namespaces

Now if you just created a resource like a deployment, service, secret or configmap you can check out the resources specifying the namespace as an argument to the kubectl get command like this:

```
kubectl get configmap -n black-space
```

This is really handy and important to make sure you can seperate access rights to resources. If you have several teams that are accessing and altering resources you can give permissions to the team members based on the namespace of the resource.

There is also the tool kubens to change the default namespace so that the team members of team red do not always have to add the namespace to their kubectl commands.

Create MongoDB Service

The example material for this is set up with a namespace called black-space run \$> kubectl create namespace black-space before applying any of the configurations from the folder 03_mongodb. (In reality you probably don't want to set up a mongodb in a kubernetes cluster, cause mongodb is quite challenging to separate into partitions, not impossible though since technically you can use chunks, good luck and have fun)

To make the setup easier in the folder 03_mongodb there are examples for all of the .yaml files that are created in this section. And for the namespace setup you can also use the file ./black-namespace.yaml. In general whenever you read the word black it means, that this is freely chosen and no magic key word.

It is possible that you will have to change the version 4.4 of the image docker.io/library/mongo:4.4 to something that suits your system.

1. To bootstrap this deployment, create a deployment file (for example black-db.yaml) like this, but do not apply it yet

```
apiVersion: apps/v1
kind: Deployment
metadata:
 name: black-db # call this whatever makes sense to you
 namespace: black-space # this has to be created before applying this file
   app: db-label # this is how the context is referred to
  replicas: 1
   matchLabels:
     app: db-label # reference to context
  template:
   metadata:
     labels:
       app: db-label # reference to context
    spec:
     containers:
      - name: db-label # reference to context
       image: docker.io/library/mongo:4.4 # the 'image' property corresponds to an actual image [!]
       ports:
        - containerPort: 27017 # this port is actually exposed by this image by default [!]
       - name: MONGO INITDB ROOT USERNAME
         value:
        - name: MONGO INITDB ROOT PASSWORD
         value:
```

2. Before you deploy you create a Secret file (for example black-secret.yaml) like this:

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: Secret
metadata:
   name: black-secret
   namespace: black-space
type: Opaque
data:
   black-user: bXItYmxhY2s= # this is 'mr-black' base64 encoded
   black-pass: Q2hhbmdlbWUrMTIz # this is 'Changeme+123' base64 encoded
```

3. [IMPORTANT]: create the namespace and the secret first running

```
kubectl apply -f ./black-namespace.yaml
# [output] > namespace/black-space created
kubectl apply -f ./black-secret.yaml
# [output] > secret/black-secret created
```

4. Check if the secret and namespace is created running

5. Now update your deployment file (black-db.yaml) like this:

```
apiVersion: apps/v1
kind: Deployment
metadata:
 name: black-db # call this whatever makes sense to you
 namespace: black-space
 lahels:
   app: db-label # this is how the context is refered to
spec:
  replicas: 1
  selector:
   matchLabels:
     app: db-label # reference to context
  template:
   metadata:
     labels:
       app: db-label # reference to context
     automountServiceAccountToken: false # your IDE will recommend you to add this line
      # this is also where you can reference PersistentVolumeClaim in 'volumes' property
      - name: db-label # reference to context
       image: docker.io/library/mongo:4.4 # the 'image' property corresponds to an actual image [!]
           memory: 100Mi # your IDE will recommend you to add this line
        - containerPort: 27017 # this port is actually exposed by this image by default [!]
        - name: MONGO_INITDB_ROOT_USERNAME
         valueFrom:
           secretKeyRef:
             name: black-secret
             key: black-user
        - name: MONGO_INITDB_ROOT_PASSWORD
         valueFrom:
           secretKeyRef:
             name: black-secret
             key: black-pass
```

6. Then add a service to the mongodb deployment black-db at the bottom of the file like this:

```
# triple dash separates 'kubernetes' yaml definitions
---
apiVersion: v1
kind: Service
metadata:
   name: black-db-service # call this whatever makes sense to you
   namespace: black-space
spec:
   selector:
    app: db-label # reference to context
ports:
   - protocol: TCP
   port: 27017 # the port exposed to the outer environment
   targetPort: 27017 # the actual port exposed by the pod
```

7. Now apply the files and check that the deployment is correct by running

```
kubectl apply -f ./black-db.yaml
# [output]
# deployment.apps/black-db created
# service/black-db-service created
kubectl get all -n black-space
# [output]
                         READY STATUS RESTARTS AGE
# NAME
# pod/black-db-77ffc5c8c6-8bcs7 1/1 Running 0
                                                 47s
                     TYPE
                               CLUSTER-IP EXTERNAL-IP PORT(S) AGE
# NAME
# service/black-db-service ClusterIP 10.111.15.138 <none>
                                                       27017/TCP 47s
                     READY UP-TO-DATE AVAILABLE AGE
# deployment.apps/black-db 1/1 1
                                      1
                                                475
                              DESIRED CURRENT READY AGE
# NAME
# replicaset.apps/black-db-77ffc5c8c6 1 1 1 47s
```

8. Check that the pod is correctly routed

```
kubectl describe service black-db-service -n black-space
# [output]
                 black-db-service
# Name:
# Namespace: black-space
                 <none>
# Annotations: <none>
# Selector:
                 app=db-label
                  ClusterIP
# Type:
# IP Family Policy: SingleStack
# IP Families: IPv4
# IP: 10.111.15.138
# IPs: 10.111.15.138
# Port: <unset> 2701
                 <unset> 27017/TCP
# TargetPort: 27017/TCP
# Endpoints: 10.244.0.23:27017
# Session Affinity: None
# Events: <none>
```

9. And that the endpoint has the correct port open (here 10.244.0.23 needs:27017 in output above)

Create MongoExpress

- 1. Make sure you completed all steps from the section Create MongoDB Service successfully
- 2. Create a config file (for example black-express.yaml) for your mongo-express deployment like so \$>

```
apiVersion: apps/v1
kind: Deployment
metadata:
 name: black-express # call this whatever makes sense to you
 namespace: black-space
   app: ui-label
spec:
 replicas: 1
 selector:
   matchLabels:
     app: ui-label
 template:
   metadata:
     labels:
       app: ui-label
   spec:
     automountServiceAccountToken: false
     containers:
     - name: ui-label
       image: docker.io/library/mongo-express
       resources:
        limits:
           memory: 100Mi
       ports:
       - containerPort: 8081
       - name: ME_CONFIG_MONGODB_ADMINUSERNAME
         valueFrom:
           secretKevRef:
             name: black-secret
             key: black-user
       - name: ME_CONFIG_MONGODB_ADMINPASSWORD
         valueFrom:
           secretKeyRef:
             name: black-secret
             key: black-pass
       - name: ME_CONFIG_MONGODB_SERVER
         valueFrom:
           configMapKeyRef:
             name: black-configmap
             key: black-db-url
# triple dash separates 'kubernetes' yaml definitions
apiVersion: v1
kind: Service
 name: black-express-service
  namespace: black-space
spec:
 selector:
   app: ui-label
 type: LoadBalancer
  ports:
  - protocol: TCP
   port: 8081
   targetPort: 8081 # this is where the container is listening
    nodePort: 30000 # this port has to be inside range [30000-32767]
```

3. Check everything from the chapter Create MongoDB Service is up and running

4. Create a ConfigMap file (for example black-configmap.yml)

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: ConfigMap
metadata:
    # this is referenced in black-express.yaml => ME_CONFIG_MONGODB_SERVER
    name: black-configmap
data:
    # this is referenced in black-express.yaml => ME_CONFIG_MONGODB_SERVER
    black-db-url: black-db-service
```

5. Create the config map first by running

```
kubectl apply -f ./black-configmap.yaml
# [output] > configmap/black-configmap created
```

6. Then create the mongo express deployment

```
kubectl apply -f ./black-express.yaml
# [output]
# deployment.apps/black-express created
# service/black-express-service created
```

7. [IMPORTANT]: now you expose the express service running this will need the podman to have rights to open a network connection

```
minikube service black-express-service -n black-space
# [output]
# |-----|-----|-----|
# | NAMESPACE |
             NAME | TARGET PORT |
# | black-space | black-express-service |
                           8081 | http://192.168.49.2:30000 |
# |-----|----|-----|
# 🏂 Starting tunnel for service black-express-service.
NAME | TARGET PORT |
# | NAMESPACE |
# |-----|
# | black-space | black-express-service | | http://127.0.0.1:42559 |
# |------
\begin{tabular}{lll} \# & \& & Opening service black-space/black-express-service in default browser... \\ \end{tabular}
# ( http://127.0.0.1:42559
\# ! Because you are using a Docker driver on linux, the terminal needs to be open to run it.
```

8. Log into the mongodb page using the default credentials admin and pass (make sure to CHANGE these before going to production)

Clean Up Everything

Before you continue clean up the environment gracefully running

```
kubectl delete service black-express-service -n black-space
# [output] > service "black-express-service" deleted
kubectl delete service black-db-service -n black-space
# [output] > service "black-db-service" deleted
kubectl delete deployment black-express -n black-space
# [output] > deployment.apps "black-express" deleted
kubectl delete deployment black-db -n black-space
# [output] > deployment.apps "black-db" deleted
kubectl delete configmap black-configmap -n black-space
# [output] > configmap "black-configmap" deleted
kubectl delete secret black-secret -n black-space
# [output] > secret "black-secret" deleted
kubectl delete namespace black-space
# [output] > namespace "black-space" deleted
```

Ingress

Ingress is used to redirect incoming requests to internal services. Ingress is where your TLS connection ends and your HTTPS will be interpreted as HTTP. In other words anyone who has access to anything that is behind Ingress will be able to read everything in plain text, this includes passwords, credit cards, user names, mac addresses or in general sensitive data.

It is recommended to salt and hash passwords the first time right in the same component of the browser, that is responsible for the password input tag so that no other component ever touches plain text data, preferrably not even the browser.

Bare Metal Set Up

To set up the entry point to a kubernetes cluster it is recommendable to use a proxy server that opens the required port for https, rtps and ftps and forwards the requests to the ingress controller. The ingress controller then checks the ingress rules and forwards the requests to the corresponding services.

Setup With Minikube

This section explains how to set up an Ingress Controller to access an NGINX web-service running on the default namespace. This one is a tad complicated so don't expect it to work out of the box it is very likely that you will have to tinker. Since this is a technology topic it is advisable not to tinker too much unless you are absolutely sure you can undo the steps you do.

1. To have some sort of service up and running inside the cluster we create an nginx deployment yaml (black-web.yaml)

```
apiVersion: apps/v1
kind: Deployment
metadata:
 name: black-web-deployment
spec:
 replicas: 1
 selector:
   matchLabels:
   app: black-web
  template:
   metadata:
     labels:
       app: black-web
     automountServiceAccountToken: false
     containers:
      - name: black-web
       image: docker.io/library/nginx
       resources:
         limits:
           memory: 100Mi
           ephemeral-storage: "2Gi"
         requests:
           cpu: 0.5
           memory: 100Mi
           ephemeral-storage: "2Gi"
       ports:
        - containerPort: 80
apiVersion: v1
kind: Service
metadata:
 name: black-web-service # this will be referenced in the ingress rule
spec:
 selector:
   app: black-web
  ports:
  - protocol: TCP
   port: 80
   targetPort: 80
  type: ClusterIP
```

(most of these values were explained in previous sections)

2. Then we setup the deployment running

```
kubectl apply -f black-web.yaml
# [output]
# deployment.apps/black-web-deployment created
# service/black-web-service created
```

3. Enable minikube addon ingress by running

```
minikube addons enable ingress

# [output]

# @ ingress is an addon maintained by Kubernetes. For any concerns contact minikube on GitHub.

# You can view the list of minikube maintainers at: https://github.com/kubernetes/minikube/blob/master/OWNERS

# Using image registry.k8s.io/ingress-nginx/controller:v1.10.1

# Using image registry.k8s.io/ingress-nginx/kube-webhook-certgen:v1.4.1

# Using image registry.k8s.io/ingress-nginx/kube-webhook-certgen:v1.4.1

# Werifying ingress addon...

# * The 'ingress' addon is enabled
```

4. Enable minikube addon ingress-dns by running

```
minikube addons enable ingress-dns
# [output]
# ② ingress-dns is an addon maintained by minikube. For any concerns contact minikube on GitHub.
# You can view the list of minikube maintainers at: https://github.com/kubernetes/minikube/blob/master/OWNERS
# ■ Using image gcr.io/k8s-minikube/minikube-ingress-dns:0.0.2
# # The 'ingress-dns' addon is enabled
```

5. To show the automatically created ingress controller \$> kubect1 get namespace check if ingress-nginx namespace is there then run

6. To create the dashboard namespace run

```
minikube dashboard

# [output]

# ♥ Enabling dashboard ...

# • Using image docker.io/kubernetesui/dashboard:v2.7.0

# • Using image docker.io/kubernetesui/metrics-scraper:v1.0.8

# © Some dashboard features require the metrics-server addon. To enable all features please run:

# minikube addons enable metrics-server

# ② Verifying dashboard health ...

# ② Launching proxy ...

# ② Verifying proxy health ...

# ② Opening http://127.0.0.1:40027/api/v1/namespaces/kubernetes-dashboard/services/http:kubernetes-dashboard:/proxy/ in your default browser...

# ③ http://127.0.0.1:40027/api/v1/namespaces/kubernetes-dashboard/services/http:kubernetes-dashboard:/proxy/
```

(after this you can open the dashboard entering the url on the last line)

7. Now run the namespace command to see ingress-nginx

```
kubectl get namespace
# [output]
                   STATUS AGE
# NAME
                  Active 7h36m
# default
                  Active
# ingress-nginx
                           5m29s
# kube-node-lease
                   Active
                           7h36m
                   Active
# kube-public
                           7h36m
# kube-system Active
                           7h36m
# kubernetes-dashboard Active
                           3m
```

8. To see all pods, services, deployments and replicasets in the kubernetes-dashboard namespace run

```
kubectl get all -n kubernetes-dashboard
# [output]
                                     READY STATUS RESTARTS AGE
# pod/dashboard-metrics-scraper-b5fc48f67-clvmv 1/1 Running 0 3m33s
# pod/kubernetes-dashboard-779776cb65-s754c 1/1 Running 0
                                                            3m33s
                            TYPE CLUSTER-IP EXTERNAL-IP PORT(S) AGE
# service/dashboard-metrics-scraper ClusterIP 10.107.10.173 <none> 8000/TCP 3m33s
# service/kubernetes-dashboard ClusterIP 10.108.231.41 <none>
                                                             80/TCP 3m33s
                                  READY UP-TO-DATE AVAILABLE AGE
# deployment.apps/dashboard-metrics-scraper 1/1 1 1 3m33s
# deployment.apps/kubernetes-dashboard
                                  1/1 1
                                                            3m33s
                                          DESIRED CURRENT READY AGE
# NAME
# replicaset.apps/dashboard-metrics-scraper-b5fc48f67 1 1
# replicaset.apps/kubernetes-dashboard-779776cb65
                                                          1
                                                                 3m33s
```

9. Now create the actual ingress rule in a yaml file like this

```
apiVersion: networking.k8s.io/v1
kind: Ingress
metadata:
 name: black-ingress
 annotations:
   nginx.ingress.kubernetes.io/rewrite-target: /
spec:
 rules:
 - host: black-out.io
   http:
    paths:
     - path: /
       pathType: Prefix
       backend:
         service:
           name: black-web-service # this is a reference to the running service
           port:
            number: 80
```

10. Apply this rule and check it got created

11. Now you have to update the host file of your WSL2 environment

```
minikube ip
# [output] > 192.168.49.2
sudo nano /etc/hosts
# [output] > opens file in nano
# enter following line below the other definitions
192.168.49.2 black-out.io
```

(the content of your file should now look something like this)

```
# This file was automatically generated by WSL. To stop automatic generation of this file, add the following entry to
/etc/wsl.conf:
# [network]
# generateHosts = false
             localhost
127.0.0.1
127.0.1.1
              YOUR-HOST.domain.your-domain.com YOUR-HOST
# [!] this is the additional line, the rest is already there
192.168.49.2 black-out.io
# The following lines are desirable for IPv6 capable hosts
::1 ip6-localhost ip6-loopback
fe00::0 ip6-localnet
ff00::0 ip6-mcastprefix
ff02::1 ip6-allnodes
ff02::2 ip6-allrouters
```

12. Now you need to do the same on the hosts file of the Windows 11 Pro system

```
# open a PowerShell session with admin permissions and go to the systems directory
cd C:\Windows\System32\drivers\etc\
# open the host file using whatever text editor you like (in this case nano is installed on the system)
nano hosts
# [output] > opens file in nano or complains that nano is not installed
```

(the content of your file should now look like this)

```
# Copyright (c) 1993-2009 Microsoft Corp.
# This is a sample HOSTS file used by Microsoft TCP/IP for Windows.
# This file contains the mappings of IP addresses to host names. Each
# entry should be kept on an individual line. The IP address should
# be placed in the first column followed by the corresponding host name.
# The IP address and the host name should be separated by at least one
# space.
# Additionally, comments (such as these) may be inserted on individual
# lines or following the machine name denoted by a '#' symbol.
# For example:
     102.54.94.97 rhino.acme.com
                                          # source server
      38.25.63.10 x.acme.com
                                            # x client host
# localhost name resolution is handled within DNS itself.
     127.0.0.1 localhost
      ::1
                     localhost
# [!] this is the additional line, the rest is already there
192.168.49.2 black-out.io
# End of section
```

13. Create a static route from the Windows 11 Pro system to the WSL2 sub system like so

```
# within WSL2 on your bash session find out your IP
ip -4 addr show eth0 | grep -oP '(?<=inet\s)\d+(\.\d+){3}'
# [output] > 172.28.30.69
route add 192.168.49.0 mask 255.255.255.0 172.28.30.69 metric 1
```

14. To clean up everything run following commands in sequencial order

```
kubectl delete -f black-web.yaml
# [output]
# deployment.apps "black-web-deployment" deleted
# service "black-web-service" deleted
kubectl delete -f black-ingress.yaml
# [output] > ingress.networking.k8s.io "black-ingress" deleted
minikube stop
# [output]
# 🕲 Stopping node "minikube" ...
# Powering off "minikube" via SSH ...
# 🕲 Stopping node "minikube" ...
# Powering off "minikube" via SSH ...
# 🕲 Stopping node "minikube" ...
# Powering off "minikube" via SSH ...
# 🔥 Stopping node "minikube" ...
# Powering off "minikube" via SSH ...
# \ensuremath{\mathfrak{D}} Stopping node "minikube" ...
# 1 node stopped.
minikube delete --all
# 🔊 Deleting "minikube" in podman ...
# 🌑 Removing /home/woobie/.minikube/machines/minikube ...
# @ Removed all traces of the "minikube" cluster.
# 🔊 Successfully deleted all profiles
podman machine stop
# [output]
# Waiting for VM to exit...
# Machine "podman-machine-default" stopped successfully
podman machine rm -f
# [output] > none
sudo shutdown
\# [output] > Shutdown scheduled for Thu 2024-08-08 15:00:30 CEST, use 'shutdown -c' to cancel.
```

15. Delete the static route from your Windows 11 Pro host system again

```
route delete 192.168.49.0

route print all

# [output] > no route to 192.168.49.0
```

Start Everything Back Up

to restart the entire thing you can enter following commands from a powershell

```
wsl
# opens a bash session in your WSL2
sudo chmod 777 -R /dev/kvm
sudo mount --make-rshared /
podman machine init --cpus 6 --disk-size 256 --memory 8192
podman machine set --rootful
podman machine start
minikube start --driver=podman --container-runtime=cri-o --network=host
minikube addons enable ingress
minikube addons enable ingress-dns
kubectl apply -f black-web.yaml
kubectl apply -f black-ingress.yaml
ip -4 addr show eth0 | grep -oP '(?<=inet\s)\d+(\.\d+){3}'
# [output] > 172.28.30.69
route add 192.168.49.0 mask 255.255.255.0 172.28.30.69 metric 1
```

After that you can open a browser and type http:black-out.io into the URL-bar to see the nginx-welcome page.

Troubleshooting

To check what nodes are running (in this case it is only "minikube") and what pods are running on which node use this:

```
# you may need to install 'jq' first 'sudo apt-get install jq -y'
kubectl get pod --all-namespaces -o json | jq '.items[] | .spec.nodeName + " " + .metadata.name
# [output]
# "minikube black-web-deployment-7454f6586-15wbs"
# "minikube ingress-nginx-admission-create-7cd8b"
# "minikube ingress-nginx-admission-patch-mk4xn"
# "minikube ingress-nginx-controller-768f948f8f-79g82'
# "minikube coredns-7db6d8ff4d-h2g2f"
# "minikube etcd-minikube"
# "minikube kindnet-zvw7n"
# "minikube kube-apiserver-minikube"
# "minikube kube-controller-manager-minikube"
# "minikube kube-ingress-dns-minikube"
# "minikube kube-proxy-ckrnp"
# "minikube kube-scheduler-minikube"
# "minikube storage-provisioner"
# "minikube dashboard-metrics-scraper-b5fc48f67-clvmv"
# "minikube kubernetes-dashboard-779776cb65-s754c"
kubectl describe node minikube
# [ouptut] > all relevant information of the node in this case 'minikube'
```

If a pod refuses to get deleted you can run:

```
kubectl delete pod $YOUR_PODNAME --grace-period=0 --force -n $YOUR_NAMESPACE
```

But be careful, this is a last resort. You can introduce memory leaks and all sorts of problems using this method.