

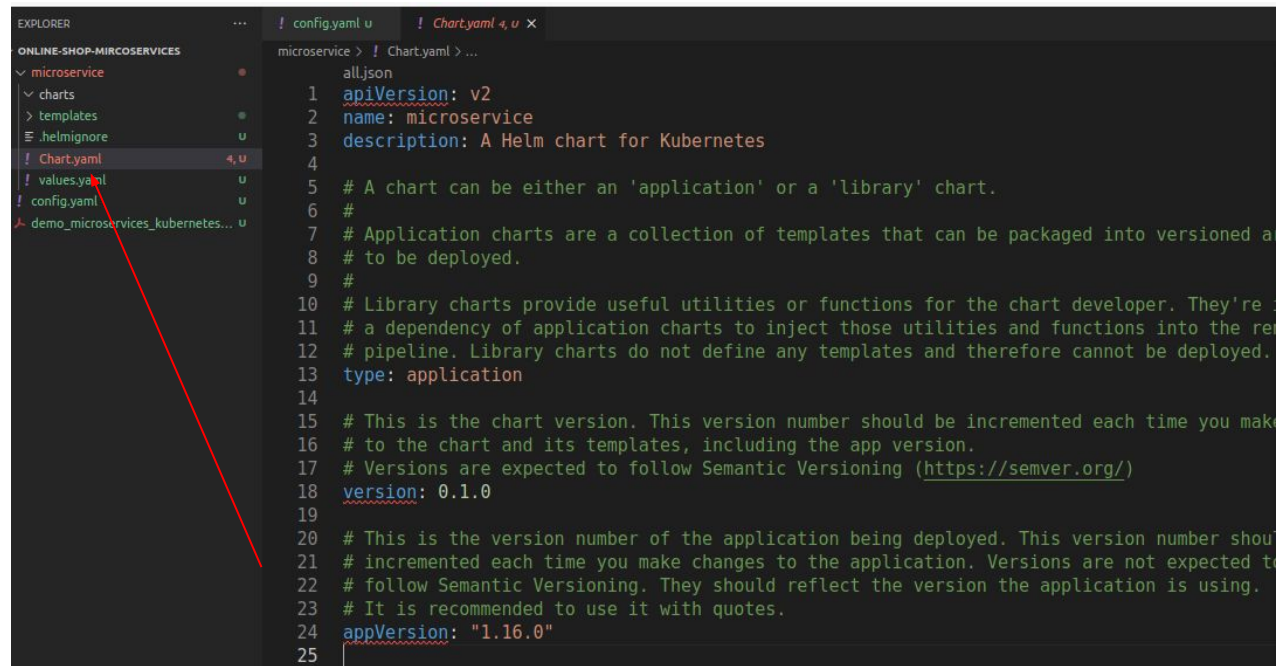
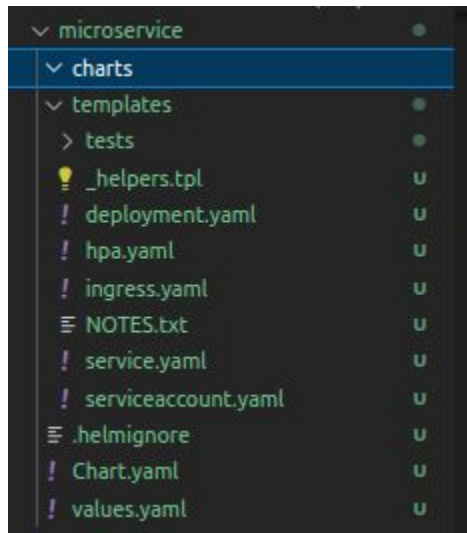
helm chart: reusable k8s configuration

two ways creating helm chart

- helm chart for each microservice, when configurations are very different
- 1 shared helm chart for all microservices
- combine of the both options

```
(base) gu@gu-GE60-2PC:~/Documents/learn_DevOps/learn_DevOps/4_kubernetes_Bootcamp/online-shop-mircoservices$ helm create microservice
Creating microservice
(base) gu@gu-GE60-2PC:~/Documents/learn_DevOps/learn_DevOps/4_kubernetes_Bootcamp/online-shop-mircoservices$
```

1. create a helm chart with name microservice



```
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  microservice
    charts
      templates
        tests
        _helpers.tpl
        deployment.yaml
        hpa.yaml
        ingress.yaml
        NOTES.txt
        service.yaml
        serviceaccount.yaml
        .helmignore
        Chart.yaml
        values.yaml
    ! Chart.yaml
    ! values.yaml
    ! config.yaml
    demo_microservices_kubernetes...

! config.yaml u
! Chart.yaml 4, u x

microservice > ! Chart.yaml > ...
all.json
1  apiVersion: v2
2  name: microservice
3  description: A Helm chart for Kubernetes
4
5  # A chart can be either an 'application' or a 'library' chart.
6  #
7  # Application charts are a collection of templates that can be packaged into versioned a
8  # to be deployed.
9  #
10 # Library charts provide useful utilities or functions for the chart developer. They're
11 # a dependency of application charts to inject those utilities and functions into the re
12 # pipeline. Library charts do not define any templates and therefore cannot be deployed.
13 type: application
14
15 # This is the chart version. This version number should be incremented each time you mak
16 # to the chart and its templates, including the app version.
17 # Versions are expected to follow Semantic Versioning (https://semver.org/)
18 version: 0.1.0
19
20 # This is the version number of the application being deployed. This version number shou
21 # incremented each time you make changes to the application. Versions are not expected t
22 # follow Semantic Versioning. They should reflect the version the application is using.
23 # It is recommended to use it with quotes.
24 appVersion: "1.16.0"
25
```

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✓ microservice

> charts

> templates

≡ .helmignore

! Chart.yaml

! values.yaml

! config.yaml

charts folder = chart dependencies

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microservice

charts

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! Chart.yaml u

! values.yaml u

! config.yaml u

demo_microservices_kubernetes... u

! config.yaml u

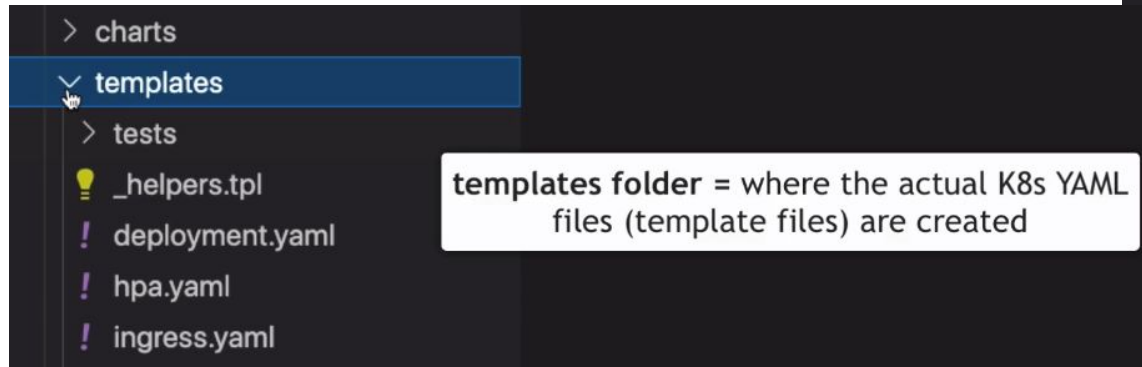
! .helmignore 7, u x

microservice > ! .helmignore

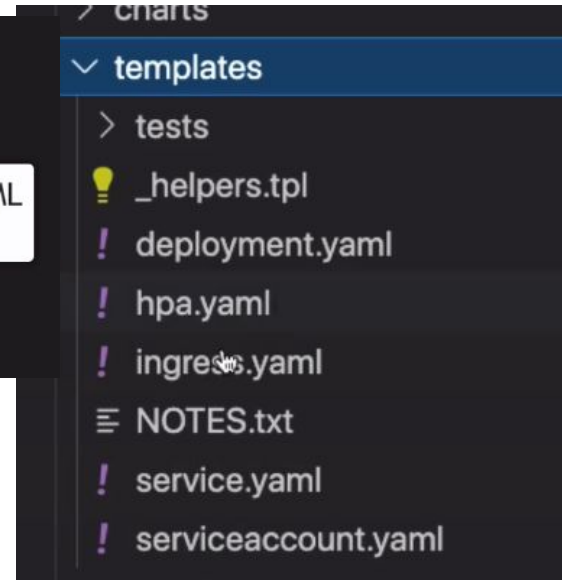
```

1 # Patterns to ignore when building packages.
2 # This supports shell glob matching, relative path
3 # negation (prefixed with !). Only one pattern per
4 .DS_Store
5 # Common VCS dirs
6 .git/
7 .gitignore
8 .bzzr/
9 .bzrignore
10 .hg/
11 .hgignore
12 .svn/
13 # Common backup files
14 *.swp
15 *.bak
16 *.tmp
17 *.orig
18 *~
19 # Various IDEs
20 .project
21 .idea/
22 *.tmproj
23 .vscode/
24

```



create blueprint of yaml file

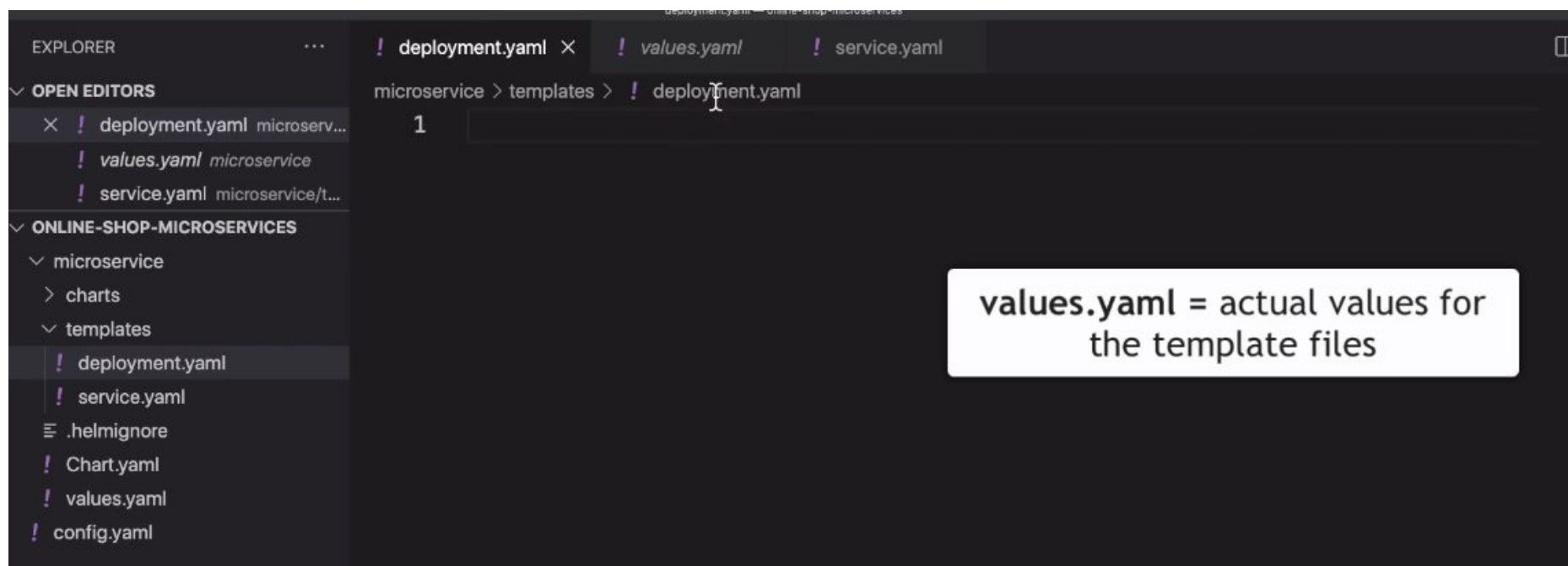


! service.yaml 5 x

microservice > templates > ! service.yaml > {} metadata > {} name > [?] "undefined"

```
1  apiVersion: v1
2  kind: Service
3  metadata:
4    name: {{ include "microservice.fullname" . }}
5    labels:
6      {{- include "microservice.labels" . | nindent 4 }}
7  spec:
8    type: {{ .Values.service.type }}
9    ports:
10     - port: {{ .Values.service.port }}
11       targetPort: {{ .Values.service.targetPort }}
12       protocol: {{ .Values.service.protocol }}
13       name: {{ .Values.service.portName }}
14    selector:
15      {{- include "microservice.selectorLabels" . | nindent 4 }}
```

Helm replaces these placeholders
with the actual values later



Create Microservices Helm Chart

Create Basic Template File


```
apiVersion: apps/v1
kind: Deployment
metadata:
  name: {{.Values.varName}}
spec:
```

"Values" Object

- ▶ A built-in object
- ▶ By default, *Values* is empty
- ▶ Values are passed into template, from 3 sources:

- the *values.yaml* file in the chart

- user-supplied file passed with *-f* flag

- parameter passed with *--set* flag

Built-in Objects

- ▶ Several objects are passed into a template from the template engine
- ▶ Examples: "Release", "Files", "Values ", ...
- ▶ Check out:
helm.sh/docs/chart_template_guide/builtin_objects

Variable Naming Conventions

- ▶ Names should begin with a lowercase letter
- ▶ Separated with camelcase

! deployment.yaml ×

! values.yaml

! service.yaml

e > templates > ! deployment.yaml > {} spec > {} template > {} spec > [] containers > {} 0 > [] env > {} 0 > {} value > [e] "u

"range"

- ▶ Provides a "for each"-style loop
- ▶ To iterate through or "range over" a list

```
image: "{{ .Values.appImage }}"
```

```
ports:
```

```
- containerPort: {{ .Values.containerPort }}
```

```
env:
```

```
- name: {{ .Values.containerEnvVar.key }}
```

```
value: {{ .Values.containerEnvVar.value }}
```

```
env:
```

```
{{- range .Values.containerEnvVars }}
```

```
- name: {{ .key }}
```

```
value: {{ .value | quote }}
```

```
{{- end }}
```

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! deployment.yaml 9+, U

! values.yaml 7, U

! email-service-values.yaml 7, U >

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microservice

> charts

templates

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! config.yaml U

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! email-service-values.yaml 7, U

! email-service-values.yaml > serviceType

all.json

```
1 appName: emailservice
2 appImage: gcr.io/google-samples/emailservice
3 appVersion: v0.1.2
4 appReplicas: 2
5 containerPort: 8080
6 containerEnvVars:
7 - name: PORT
8   value: "8080"
9 - name: DISABLE_TRACING
10   value: "1"
11 - name: DISABLE_PROFILER
12   value: "1"
13
14 servicePort: 5000
15 serviceType: ClusterIP
```

```
new Go Run Terminal Window Help
email-service-values.yaml — online-shop-microservices

! config.yaml ! email-service-values.yaml X ! deployment.yaml 5

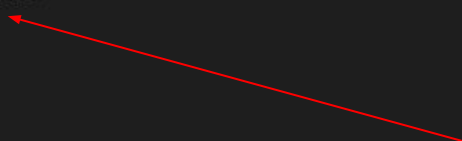
! email-service-values.yaml > [ ] containerEnvVars > {} 1 > [abc] value
1  appName: emailservice
2  appImage: gcr.io/google-samples/microservices-demo/emailservice
3  appVersion: v0.2.3
4  appReplicas: 2
5  containerPort: 8080
6  containerEnvVars:
7    - name: PORT
8      value: "8080"

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[\\W]$ ls
config.yaml          email-service-values.yaml microservice
[\\W]$ helm template -f email-service-values.yaml
```

helm template =
render chart templates locally and display the output

```
(base) gu@gu-GE60-2PC:~/Documents/learn_DevOps/learn_DevOps/4_kubernetes_Bootcamp/online-shop-mircoservices$ helm template -f email-service-values.yaml microservice
---
# Source: microservice/templates/service.yaml
apiVersion: v1
kind: Service
metadata:
  name: emailservice
spec:
  type: ClusterIP
  selector:
    app: emailservice
  ports:
    - protocol: TCP
      port: 5000
      targetPort: 8080
---
# Source: microservice/templates/deployment.yaml
apiVersion: apps/v1
kind: Deployment
metadata:
  name: emailservice
spec:
  replicas: 2
  selector:
    matchLabels:
      app: emailservice
  template:
    metadata:
      labels:
        app: emailservice
    spec:
      containers:
        - name: emailservice
          image: "gcr.io/google-samples/emailservice:v0.1.2"
          ports:
            - containerPort: 8080
          env:
            - name: PORT
              value: "8080"
```



Helm Rendering Process



- Engine replaces the variables with the actual values (from the 3 different sources)

```
1 appName: emailservice
```

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```
[W]$ helm lint -f email-service-values.yaml
```

```
value: "1"
```

```
(base) gu@gu-GE60-2PC:~/Documents/Learn_DevOps/Learn_DevOps/
```

```
elm lint -f email-service-values.yaml microservice/
```

```
==> Linting microservice/
```

```
[INFO] Chart.yaml: icon is recommended
```

```
1 chart(s) linted, 0 chart(s) failed
```

```
(base) gu@gu-GE60-2PC:~/Documents/Learn_DevOps/Learn_DevOps/
```

"helm lint"

- ▶ examines a chart for possible issues

ERROR = issues that will cause chart to fail installation

WARNING = issues that break with convention or recommendations

```
! config.yaml ! email-service-values.yaml x ! values.yaml ! deployment.yaml 8
[\\W]$ helm install -f email-service-values.yaml emailservice microservice
! email-service-values.yaml > [NAME: emailservice
1 appName: emailservice LAST DEPLOYED: Mon Jun 14 15:01:10 2021
PROBLEMS 8 OUTPUT DI NAMESPACE: default
STATUS: deployed
REVISION: 1
[\\W]$ helm install -f email-service-values.yaml emailservice microservice
TEST SUITE: None
[\\W]$ helm ls
```

"helm install" command

helm install

-f myvalues.yaml

emailservice

microservice

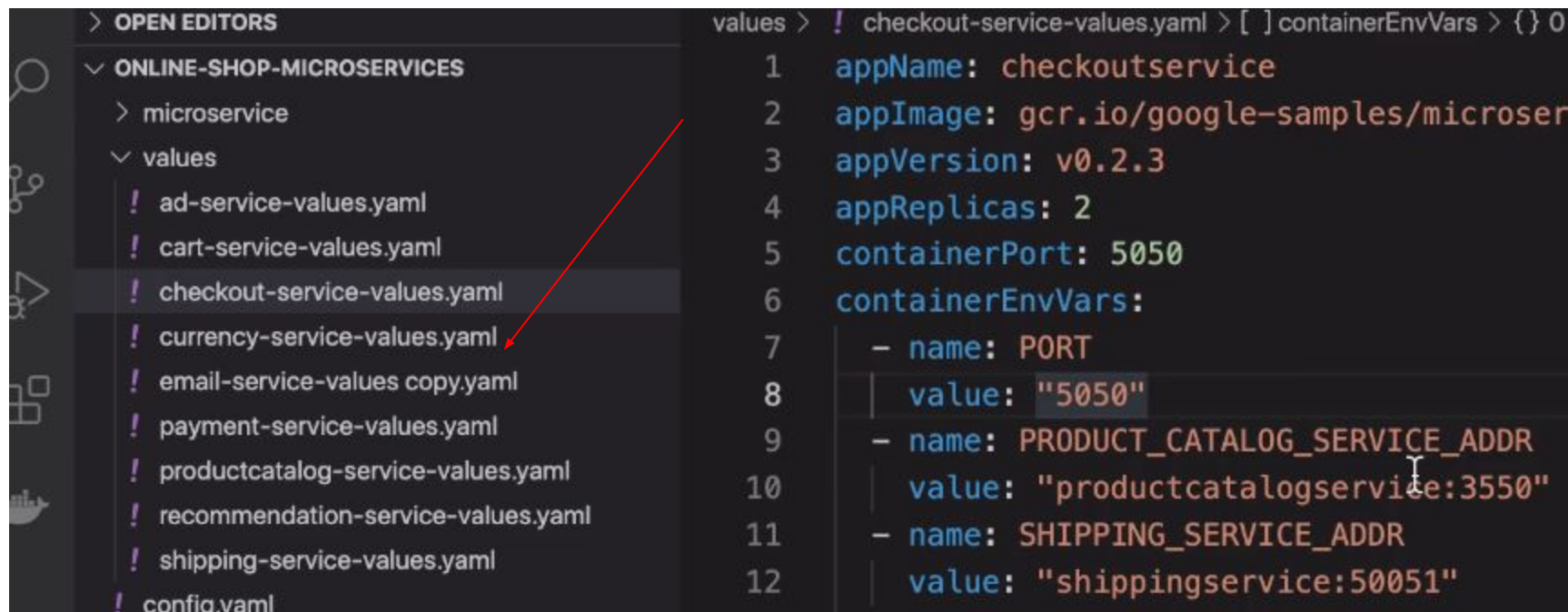
install a chart

override values
from a file

release name

chart name

create yaml file for each service, helm template... helm lint... helm install -f file
nameservice microservice



```
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ONLINE-SHOP-MICROSERVICES
  microservice
    values
      ! checkout-service-values.yaml
      ! currency-service-values.yaml
      ! email-service-values copy.yaml
      ! payment-service-values.yaml
      ! productcatalog-service-values.yaml
      ! recommendation-service-values.yaml
      ! shipping-service-values.yaml
      ! config.yaml

values > ! checkout-service-values.yaml > [ ] containerEnvVars > {} 0
1  appName: checkoutservice
2  appImage: gcr.io/google-samples/microser
3  appVersion: v0.2.3
4  appReplicas: 2
5  containerPort: 5050
6  containerEnvVars:
7    - name: PORT
8      value: "5050"
9    - name: PRODUCT_CATALOG_SERVICE_ADDR
10      value: "productcatalogservice:3550"
11    - name: SHIPPING_SERVICE_ADDR
12      value: "shippingservice:50051"
```

put in the values folder for all services

create a redis chart

put microservice and chart together into a chart folder

- helm create redis
- create
 - deployment.yaml
 - service.yaml

replace all redis to {{.Value.appName}}

create a redis-value

```
deployment.yaml > {} spec > {} template > {} spec > [ ] containers > {} 0 > [ ] volumeMounts > {} 0 > {} m
12     labels:
13       app: {{ .Values.appName }}
14     spec:
15       containers:
16       - name: {{ .Values.appName }}
17         image: "{{ .Values.appImage }}:{{ .Values.appVersion }}"
18         ports:
19         - containerPort: {{ .Values.containerPort }}
20         volumeMounts:
21         - name: {{ .Values.volumeName }}
22           mountPath: {{ .Values.volumeName }}
23       volumes:
24       - name: {{ .Values.volumeName }}
25         emptyDir: {}
```

```
Terminal Window Help
redis-values.yaml — online-shop-microservices

! deployment.yaml ! redis-values.yaml X ! values.yaml ! service.yaml

values > ! redis-values.yaml > # appReplicas
1  appName: redis-cart

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[\\W]$ helm install --dry-run -f values/redis-values.yaml charts/redis
```

helm install --dry-run =
check generated manifest without installing the chart

Difference of --dry-run and template

- ▶ --dry-run send files to K8s cluster, while template only validates it locally

2 ways deploy k8s cluster

- helm command one by one or in script file

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```
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[\W]$ helm install -f values/redis-values.yaml rediscart charts/redis
```

change mode

./install.sh

```
[\W]$ chmod u+x install.sh
[\W]$ ./install.sh
```

2. method helmfile

What is a Helmfile?

Declarative way for deploying helm charts

helmfile.yaml

Define the desired state!

```
releases:
  - name: emailservice
    chart: ./charts/app
    values:
      - ./values/emailservice.yaml
  - name: paymentservice
    chart: ./charts/app
    values:
      - ./values/paymentservice.yaml
  ....
```

- ▶ Declare a definition of an entire K8s cluster
- ▶ Change specification depending on application or type of environment

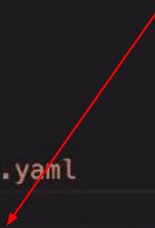
Helmfile config schema (helmfile.json)

```
releases:
  - name: rediscart
    chart: charts/redis
    values:
      - values/redis-values.yaml
```

helmfile.yaml > [] releases > { } 0 > [] values > { } 1 > appReplicas

Helmfile config schema (helmfile.json)

```
1 releases:
2   - name: rediscart
3     chart: charts/redis
4     values:
5       - values/redis-values.yaml
6       - appReplicas: "1"
7       - volumeName: "redis-cart-data"
8
9   - name: emailservice
10     chart: charts/microservice
11     values:
12       - values/email-service-values.yaml
```



! helmfile.yaml X install.sh

! helmfile.yaml > [] releases > { } 2 > [] values > 0

```
5   - values/redis-values.yaml
6
7   - name: emailservice
8     chart: charts/microservice
9     values:
10       - values/email-service-values.yaml
11
12   - name: cartservice
13     chart: charts/microservice
14     values:
15       - values/cart-service-values.yaml
```

install helmfile

```
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[\W]$ brew install helmfile
```

```
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[\W]$ helmfile sync
Building dependency release=rediscart, chart=charts/redis
Building dependency release=cartservice, chart=charts/micros
Building dependency release=emailservice, chart=charts/micro
Building dependency release=currencyservice, chart=charts/mi
Building dependency release=paymentservice, chart=charts/mid
Building dependency release=recommendationservice, chart=cha
Building dependency release=productcatalogservice, chart=cha
Building dependency release=shippingservice, chart=charts/mi
Building dependency release=checkoutservice, chart=charts/mi
Building dependency release=adservice, chart=charts/microser
Building dependency release=frontendservice, chart=charts/mi
Affected releases are:
  adservice (charts/microservice) UPDATED
  cartservice (charts/microservice) UPDATED
  checkoutservice (charts/microservice) UPDATED
  currencyservice (charts/microservice) UPDATED
  emailservice (charts/microservice) UPDATED
  frontendservice (charts/microservice) UPDATED
  paymentservice (charts/microservice) UPDATED
```

helmfile list
check again
kubectl get pod
check again:
loadbalancer IP address

helmfile destroy

host the helm charts in the git repo

- with application code or
- separate git repo just for helm chart

How to feed into git CI/CD