

# Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science SOFE 4790U Distributed Systems

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Lab #2

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## Part 1:

The Gateway Routing pattern is a pattern where a single endpoint can be used to serve multiple services or multiple requests. This is done by placing a gateway in front of your application so that the connected client is only aware of the single endpoint occupied by the gateway. This is useful for three main reasons: exposing several versions of one service, having multiple instances of the same service, or when there's multiple services on one end point.

We can explore the usefulness by taking an e-commerce store as an example. Say a product owner would like to do some AB Testing for a new user interface, you may change the user interface on one version of the service to test if it increases sales by exposing the two versions of the service on one end point for your traffic to use. The gateway would then automatically distribute clients to each version of the website. Having multiple instances is also very useful for e-commerce as there are many regional differences you may want to consider such as high traffic times changing depending on the time zone. In this case, we would want to balance the load to ensure that servers located in high traffic areas have the appropriate amount of availability, while low traffic areas can be decreased and save on computational costs. The gateway would automatically redirect clients towards the endpoint that best suits their region. E-commerce stores also have many services such as search or checkout. Using this pattern, we can expose each end point so that the client is aware of each of the services available to them through the gateway.

The problems discussed in this can be boiled down to the fact that clients need to be easily redirected to different services without them having to have knowledge about the backend of the application. To utilize this pattern properly one must ensure that the gateway is correctly designed as otherwise it can lead to failure or a bottleneck of the entire system.

## Part 2:

First the pods were initialized, then the web, experiment, and ambassador deployment yaml files were created, deployed, and exposed successfully

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     apiVersion: apps/v1
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      kind: Deployment
                                                                   kind: Deployment
      metadata:
                                                                   metadata:
      name: web-deployment
                                                                   name: experiment-deployment
                                                                   spec:
      spec:
       replicas: 2
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       selector:
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        matchLabels:
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          run: web-deployment
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           - name: web-depoyment
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                                                                          image: mcr.microsoft.com/azuredocs/aci-helloworld
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            image: mcr.microsoft.com/azuredocs/aci-helloworld
           ports:
                                                                          - containerPort: 80
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a_bainhewcampbell@cloudshell:~ (dev-solstice-362019) $ kubectl create -f ambassador-deployment.yaml deployment.apps/ambassador-deployment created a_bainhewcampbell@cloudshell:~ (dev-solstice-362019) $ kubectl expose deployment ambassador-deployment --port=80 --type=LoadBalancer service/ambassador-deployment exposed
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Then the pods, deployments, and services were checked to ensure that they were running without any errors

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a bainhewcampbell@cloudshell:~
                                          (dev-solstice-362019) $ kubectl get deployments
NAME
                                 READY
                                           UP-TO-DATE
                                                             AVAILABLE
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ambassador-deployment
                                 2/2
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experiment-deployment
                                 2/2
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web-deployment
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ambassador-deployment-66db4f7766-1972v
ambassador-deployment-66db4f7766-xthpz
experiment-deployment-7b47cbd668-181fq
experiment-deployment-7b47cbd668-nqdv9
web-deployment-6fdbb5c6bb-752fj
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                                                                   11m
web-deployment-6fdbb5c6bb-752fj
web-deployment-6fdbb5c6bb-nfdf9
                                               Running
a bainhewcampbell@cloudshell:~ (dev-solstice-362019)$ kubectl get services
                                                               EXTERNAL-IP PORT(S)
                                               CLUSTER-IP
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ambassador-deployment
                             LoadBalancer 10.12.6.8
                                                                35.203.28.8 80:31372/TCP
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                                             10.12.7.229
experiment-deployment
                            ClusterIP
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kubernetes
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10.12.7.194

<none>

80/TCP

12m

ClusterIP

web-deployment

After the pods, deployments, and services were confirmed to be running correctly I opened up the ambassador-deployment IP address in my browser to find the website running and then ran the curl command many times and viewed the logs.



## Welcome to Azure Container Instances!



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## Part 3:

Since the pods were set up from part 2, I created the yaml file, deployed, and exposed it. Then I verified that it was working correctly by running the specified commands.

## Discussion:

As discussed in part 1, the major issues that the Gateway Routing pattern solve are when you want to expose multiple services on one end point, when there are multiple versions of the same service you want to expose to various users through one end point, and when you want multiple instances of a service on one endpoint. The solution that the Gateway Routing pattern provides is having a gateway service that will route the client to the various instances that an application may have.

The requirements of this pattern are that you have multiple deployments of some service(s) and a gateway service that will route the client to a deployment of their requested service(s).

In part 2 of the lab, this pattern was seen where we had the web deployment and the experimental deployment being kept behind the gateway of the ambassador deployment. The ambassador was used as a gateway such that you would be routed to one of the web or experimental deployments. This was seen after repeatedly using the curl command and viewing the logs of each of the deployments.

In part 3 of the lab, we deploy 3 images of the dictionary-server and use the readiness probe as a gateway. This gateway checks the readiness of all 3 deployed images every 5 seconds to ensure that they are healthy.

# Design:

Autoscaling is a service that initiates new instances of your deployment automatically when your existing deployments are becoming overwhelmed or conversely closes deployments automatically when too many are idle or underutilized. This allows a platform to optimize the server utilization without having client performance degrade.

This differs from load balancing such that load balancers will balance the requests being taken in throughout existing deployments, while the autoscaler will create more deployments that the load balancer can route requests towards. Autoscaling is used when traffic to the platform is elastic as it can automatically scale up to meet the demands that a load balancer cannot do on its own, or scale down to save on computational costs.

How autoscaling is implemented can change depending on the business, however generally it involves the platform having a baseline amount of deployments that are scaled up

by a load balancing service when it finds there are not enough resources for the incoming requests.

Utilizing a kubernetes autoscaler guide, it was possible to set up an autoscaler and experiment with it and see the scaling done in real-time.

```
■ php-apache.yaml > () spec > ⊗ replicas
      apiVersion: apps/v1
      kind: Deployment
      metadata:
       name: php-apache
       selector:
         matchLabels:
           run: php-apache
        replicas: 1
        template:
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         metadata:
          labels:
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            run: php-apache
         spec:
          containers:
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           - name: php-apache
           image: registry.k8s.io/hpa-example
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            ports:
             - containerPort: 80
            resources:
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              limits:
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              cpu: 500m
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              requests:
 24
            cpu: 200m
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      apiVersion: v1
      kind: Service
      metadata:
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       name: php-apache
       labels:
         run: php-apache
      spec:
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       - port: 80
       selector:
       run: php-apache
                                  (dev-solstice-362019) $ kubectl apply -f https://k8s.io/examples/application/php-apache.yam
deployment.apps/php-apache created
service/php-apache created
                                       Configuration and deployment of yaml file
 a bainhewcampbell@cloudshell:~ (dev-solstice-362019)$ kubectl get hpa
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php-apache
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Using a command that generates load onto the deployments so that the autoscaler kicks in and creates more replicas to meet the need

MINPODS MAXPODS REPLICAS

20

AGE 7m27s

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8m30s

a\_bainhewcampbell@cloudshell:~ (dev-solstice-362019) \$ kubectl get hpa php-apache --watch
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php-apache Deployment/php-apache <unknown>/1 (avg), 250%/60% 1 20 5 ^Ca\_bainhewcampbell@cloudshell:~ (<mark>dev-solstice-362019</mark>)% kubectl get deployment php-apache

AGE

2m49s

AVAILABLE

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php-apache Deployment/php-apache <unknown>/1 (avg), 0%/60%

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php-apache Deployment/php-apache <unknown>/1 (avg), 250%/60%

UP-TO-DATE

php-apache Deployment/php-apache

READY

NAME

php-apache 5/5

After stopping the command we can see CPU Utilization go down