i created one master instance and 2 worker nodes in our cluster and nothing else.

we run :kubectl get pod

what will this command give me

If you created one master instance and two worker nodes in your Kubernetes cluster and haven't deployed any applications or created any pods, running the command:

```
text
kubectl get pod
```

will likely return **no pods** in the default namespace, or an empty list, because no pods have been created yet. The output would look something like this:

```
No resources found in default namespace.
```

# **Explanation:**

- The kubectl get pod command lists all pods in the **default namespace** unless a specific namespace is provided (e.g., kubectl get pod -n <namespace>).
- Since you mentioned that you only set up the cluster (one master and two worker nodes) and did nothing else, there are no user-created pods or workloads (e.g., Deployments, StatefulSets, or ReplicaSets) running in the cluster.

 By default, Kubernetes does not create any pods in the default namespace unless you explicitly deploy something or if certain system components (e.g., DNS or Kubernetes Dashboard) are configured to run there. However, system pods (like kube-scheduler, kube-controller-manager, or coredns) typically run in the kube-system namespace, not the default namespace.

## If you want to see system pods:

To check for pods in the <a href="kube-system">kube-system</a> namespace (where Kubernetes system components run), you can use:

```
text
kubectl get pod -n kube-system
```

This might show pods like coredns, kube-proxy, or others, depending on your cluster setup (e.g., whether you're using a managed service like GKE, EKS, or a self-managed cluster). The output might look like:

```
text
NAME
                                           STATUS
                                   READY
                                                      RESTARTS
                                                                 AGE
coredns-xxx-xxx
                                   1/1
                                           Running
                                                      0
                                                                 1h
kube-proxy-xxx
                                   1/1
                                           Running
                                                      0
                                                                 1h
```

#### Notes:

• If you want to see pods across all namespaces, use:

```
text
kubectl get pod --all-namespaces
```

- If you expected pods to be running but see none, ensure that:
  - You have deployed workloads (e.g., via kubectl apply -f <yaml-file> or kubectl create deployment).
  - You are checking the correct namespace.

 Your cluster is healthy (check node status with kubectl get nodes to confirm the master and worker nodes are in a Ready state).

If you have more details about your cluster setup (e.g., is it a managed cluster like GKE/AKS/EKS, or a custom setup like k8s with kubeadm?), I can provide a more tailored response. Let me know if you need further clarification!

kube system namespace is there by default?

Yes, the kube-system namespace is created by default in every Kubernetes cluster. It is a predefined namespace used to run critical system components and services required for the cluster to function properly.

#### **Details:**

- The kube-system namespace is automatically created when a Kubernetes cluster is initialized (e.g., using kubeadm init or by a managed Kubernetes service like GKE, EKS, or AKS).
- It contains pods and resources for core Kubernetes components, such as:
  - kube-scheduler: Schedules pods to nodes.
  - kube-controller-manager: Manages controllers like replication controllers.
  - kube-proxy: Handles networking and load balancing on each node.
  - coredns or kube-dns: Provides DNS resolution for services within the cluster.
  - Other add-ons or system services (e.g., metrics-server, dashboard, or cloud-specific components).
- You can verify its existence by running:

```
text
kubectl get namespaces
```

This will list all namespaces, including kube-system, with an output like:

```
NAME STATUS AGE default Active 1h
```

```
kube-system Active 1h
kube-public Active 1h
kube-node-lease Active 1h
```

To see pods in the kube-system namespace, use:

```
text
kubectl get pod -n kube-system
```

#### Notes:

- You should avoid deploying user applications to the kube-system namespace, as it
  is reserved for Kubernetes system components.
- Other default namespaces that may exist include default (for user workloads if no namespace is specified), kube-public (for resources accessible without authentication), and kube-node-lease (for node lease objects).

If you have more questions about namespaces or your cluster setup, let me know!

now i wanna create a node with a container apache on

- (i) default namespace
- (ii) arka namespace which i create

To create a pod with an Apache container in both the **default** namespace and a custom **arka** namespace, I'll guide you through the steps. Since you mentioned a "node" but likely meant a **pod** (as nodes are physical/virtual machines in the cluster, while pods contain containers), I'll assume you want to create a pod running an Apache container.

### Below are the steps to:

- 1. Create a pod with an Apache container in the **default** namespace.
- Create a custom namespace called arka and deploy a pod with an Apache container in it.

I'll use the <a href="httpd">httpd</a> image from Docker Hub for Apache, as it's a common choice for running an Apache web server.

## **Prerequisites**

- Ensure your Kubernetes cluster (with 1 master and 2 worker nodes) is running and kubectl is configured to communicate with it.
- Verify the cluster status with:

```
text
kubectl get nodes
```

Ensure all nodes are in the Ready state.

The httpd image will be used for the Apache container (official Apache HTTP server image).

# (i) Create a Pod with Apache in the Default Namespace

#### 1. Create a Pod Definition:

Create a YAML file named apache-pod-default.yaml to define the pod:

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: Pod
metadata:
   name: apache-pod
   namespace: default
spec:
   containers:
   - name: apache-container
   image: httpd:latest
   ports:
   - containerPort: 80
```

This YAML defines a pod named apache-pod in the default namespace, running an Apache container using the httpd:latest image, exposing port 80.

## 2. Apply the Pod Definition:

Run the following command to create the pod:

```
text
kubectl apply -f apache-pod-default.yaml
```

### 3. Verify the Pod:

Check the status of the pod in the default namespace:

```
text
kubectl get pod -n default
```

# **Expected output:**

```
NAME READY STATUS RESTARTS AGE apache-pod 1/1 Running 0 10s
```

# 4. Check Pod Details (optional):

To confirm the pod is running correctly:

```
text
kubectl describe pod apache-pod -n default
```

# (ii) Create a Pod with Apache in the Arka Namespace

# 1. Create the Arka Namespace:

Run the following command to create a namespace called  $\ \ \$  arka:

```
text
kubectl create namespace arka
```

# Verify the namespace was created:

```
text
kubectl get namespaces
```

# Expected output (partial):

```
NAME STATUS AGE
arka Active 10s
default Active 1h
kube-system Active 1h
...
```

# 2. Create a Pod Definition for the Arka Namespace:

Create a YAML file named apache-pod-arka.yaml:

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: Pod
metadata:
   name: apache-pod
   namespace: arka
spec:
   containers:
   - name: apache-container
   image: httpd:latest
   ports:
   - containerPort: 80
```

This YAML defines a pod named apache-pod in the arka namespace, running an Apache container.

# 3. Apply the Pod Definition:

Run the following command to create the pod in the arka namespace:

```
text
kubectl apply -f apache-pod-arka.yaml
```

### 4. Verify the Pod:

Check the status of the pod in the arka namespace:

```
text
kubectl get pod -n arka
```

# **Expected output:**

```
NAME READY STATUS RESTARTS AGE apache-pod 1/1 Running 0 10s
```

### 5. Check Pod Details (optional):

To confirm the pod is running correctly:

```
text
kubectl describe pod apache-pod -n arka
```

#### **Notes**

- Pod Name: I used the same pod name (apache-pod) in both namespaces because namespaces allow duplicate names (pods are scoped to their namespace). If you want different names, update the metadata.name field in the YAML files.
- Accessing Apache: The Apache container is running, but to access it, you may need to:
  - Expose the pod via a Kubernetes Service (e.g., ClusterIP, NodePort, or LoadBalancer).
  - Use kubectl port-forward to test locally, e.g.:

```
text
kubectl port-forward apache-pod 8080:80 -n default
```

Then access <a href="http://localhost:8080">http://localhost:8080</a> in your browser.

Cluster Setup: If your cluster is a managed service (e.g., GKE, EKS, AKS) or a
custom setup (e.g., kubeadm), ensure the nodes have enough resources to run the
pods and that the container runtime (e.g., Docker, containerd) can pull the httpd
image.

- Image Pull: The httpd:latest image will be pulled from Docker Hub. Ensure your cluster has internet access, or specify a different Apache image if needed.
- Error Handling: If the pod is not in the Running state, check logs with:

```
text
kubectl logs apache-pod -n <namespace>
```

Or describe the pod to diagnose issues:

```
text

kubectl describe pod apache-pod -n <namespace>
```

# **Optional: Expose Apache for Testing**

To make the Apache server accessible, you can create a **Service** for each pod. For example, for the default namespace:

1. Create a Service YAML (apache-service-default.yaml):

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: Service
metadata:
   name: apache-service
   namespace: default
spec:
   selector:
    app: apache
   ports:
   - protocol: TCP
        port: 80
        targetPort: 80
   type: NodePort
```

Update the pod YAML to include the app: apache label:

```
yaml
```

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: Pod
metadata:
  name: apache-pod
  namespace: default
  labels:
    app: apache
spec:
  containers:
  - name: apache-container
    image: httpd:latest
    ports:
    - containerPort: 80
```

## 2. Apply the Service:

```
text
kubectl apply -f apache-service-default.yaml
```

#### 3. Get the Service details to find the NodePort:

```
text
kubectl get svc -n default
```

Access the Apache server using a worker node's IP and the assigned NodePort (e.g., http://<node-ip>:<node-port>).

Repeat similar steps for the arka namespace if needed.

Let me know if you need help with exposing the Apache server, debugging, or any other Kubernetes tasks! If you meant something else by "node" (e.g., adding a new worker node), please clarify, and I can adjust the response.

explain all commands written in the 3 pics above







Based on the handwritten notes in the three images, I'll explain each Kubernetes-related command step by step. The notes appear to document various Kubernetes operations, including cluster management, pod creation, namespace usage, and resource configuration. I'll break it down by section and provide explanations.

### **Image 1: Kubernetes Configuration and Namespace Commands**

# 1. Change Context and Namespace:

- kubectl config set-context --current --namespace=<namespace>
  - Changes the current namespace for the kubectl context to the specified namespace (e.g., default or a custom one). This sets the default namespace for subsequent kubectl commands unless overridden with n.
- Note: "We can create namespace through cmd or yaml file" indicates
   namespaces can be created either directly with a command or via a YAML file.

### 2. View Minify Config:

- kubectl config view --minify --output='json'
  - Displays a minimized version of the kubectl configuration (e.g., from ~/.kube/config) in JSON format, showing only the current context and relevant details.

#### 3. Set Context to Default:

- kubectl config set-context --current
  - Sets or updates the current context (e.g., to default if not specified). This
    ensures kubectl operates in the default context.

### 4. Create Namespace via YAML:

- vim namespace.yaml
  - Opens a file named namespace.yaml in the vim editor to define a namespace.
  - Example content (inferred from notes):

```
yaml

apiVersion: v1
kind: Namespace
metadata:
name: devops
```

- kubectl apply -f namespace.yaml
  - Applies the namespace.yaml file to create the devops namespace.
- kubectl get ns
  - Lists all namespaces in the cluster to verify the devops namespace was created.
- kubectl create -f https://<url> (namespace used for identification)
  - Creates a resource (e.g., namespace) from a URL, where the namespace is used for identification.

## 5. Get Namespaces with Labels:

- kubectl get namespaces --show-labels
  - Lists all namespaces and includes any labels associated with them.

# Image 2: Pod Creation, Resource Limits, and Namespace Management

### 1. Get Nodes and Pods:

- kubectl get node (to check healthy)
  - Lists all nodes in the cluster and their status (e.g., Ready indicates healthy nodes).
- kubectl get pod --all-namespaces
  - Lists all pods across all namespaces.
- kubectl get pod -n kube-system (all pod inside k8s)
  - Lists pods in the <a href="kube-system">kube-system</a> namespace, which contains Kubernetes system components (e.g., <a href="coredns">coredns</a>, <a href="kube-proxy">kube-proxy</a>).
- kubectl get pod -n kube-public

 Lists pods in the kube-public namespace, typically for publicly accessible resources.

#### 2. Create Pod via YAML:

- vim my-pod.yaml
  - Opens my-pod.yaml in vim to define a pod.
  - Example content (inferred):

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: Pod
metadata:
   name: web-app
spec:
   containers:
   - name: apache
   image: nginx:1.14
```

- --save & exit
  - Saves and exits the vim editor.
- kubectl apply -f my-pod.yaml
  - Creates the pod defined in my-pod.yaml in the default namespace (since no -n is specified).
- kubectl get pod -n default
  - Lists pods in the default namespace to verify the web-app pod.

### 3. Pod Status and Description:

- kubectl get pod
  - Lists pods in the current namespace (default if not changed).
- kubectl describe pod web-app
  - Provides detailed information about the web-app pod, including events and status.
- kubectl get ns (namespace)

• Lists all namespaces (likely a typo, intended as kubectl get ns).

### 4. Create Namespace and Pod:

- kubectl create ns prod (Namespace created)
  - Creates a namespace named prod.
- kubectl get ns
  - Verifies the prod namespace.
- vim dev-pod.yaml
  - Opens dev-pod.yaml to define a pod.
  - Example content (inferred):

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: Pod
metadata:
   name: dev-app
spec:
   containers:
   - name: nginx
   image: nginx
```

- kubectl apply -f dev-pod.yaml
  - Applies dev-pod.yaml (likely intended with -n prod to deploy in the prod namespace, though not specified).
- kubectl get pod -n prod
  - Lists pods in the prod namespace.

### 5. Cluster Management with Kops:

- kops get clusters
  - Lists all clusters managed by kops.
- kops update cluster --name <cluster-name> --yes
  - Updates the specified cluster configuration and applies changes with confirmation.

- kops delete cluster <cluster-name> --yes
  - Deletes the specified cluster with confirmation.

# Image 3: Resource Limits and Pod Deployment

- 1. Create Pod with Resource Limits:
  - vim test.yaml
    - Opens test.yaml in vim to define a pod with resource limits.
    - Example content (inferred):

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: Pod
metadata:
   name: test-pod
spec:
   containers:
   - name: nginx
   image: nginx
   resources:
       limits:
       memory: "1500Mi"
       cpu: "500m"
```

- kubectl apply -f test.yaml --namespace=devops
  - Creates the test-pod in the devops namespace with the specified resource limits.
- kubectl get namespace mem-cpu-demo --namespace=devops --output=yaml
  - Retrieves the mem-cpu-demo namespace configuration in YAML format (likely a typo; intended namespace might be devops).

### 2. Deploy Another Pod:

- vim test2.yaml
  - Opens test2.yaml in vim.
  - Example content (inferred):

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: Pod
metadata:
   name: test2-pod
spec:
   containers:
   - name: nginx
    image: nginx
   resources:
       requests:
       memory: "500Mi"
       limits:
       memory: "800Mi"
       cpu: "400m"
```

- change Pod name -> metadata: name: test2-demo
  - Updates the pod name to test2-demo in the YAML.
- kubectl apply -f test2.yaml --namespace=devops
  - Applies test2.yaml to create test2-demo in the devops namespace.

### 3. Debugging and Validation:

- vim nginx-resource.yaml
  - Opens nginx-resource.yaml (likely to increase resources).
  - Example content (inferred, with increased resources):

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: Pod
metadata:
   name: nginx-pod
spec:
   containers:
   - name: nginx
   image: nginx
   resources:
     requests:
     cpu: "200m"
```

```
memory: "256M1"

limits:
cpu: "500m"
memory: "512Mi"
```

- copy code
  - Copies the code (likely for reuse).
- vim devops.yaml
  - Opens devops.yaml.
  - Example content (inferred):

```
yaml
apiVersion: v1
kind: Pod
metadata:
  name: devops-pod
spec:
  containers:
  - name: nginx
    image: nginx
    resources:
      requests:
        cpu: "200m"
        memory: "256Mi"
      limits:
        cpu: "500m"
        memory: "512Mi"
```

- kubectl apply -f devops.yaml --namespace=devops
  - Applies devops.yaml in the devops namespace.
- kubectl describe namespace devops
  - Describes the devops namespace to check its details.

# **Key Concepts and Notes**

Namespaces: Used to isolate resources (e.g., default, devops, prod).
 Commands like kubectl get ns list them, and kubectl create ns or YAML files

create them.

- Pods: Basic units running containers (e.g., web-app, test-pod). Defined via YAML and applied with kubectl apply.
- **Resource Limits**: requests and limits (e.g., CPU, memory) ensure pods use resources appropriately. If limits are exceeded, the pod may not deploy.
- Context: kubectl config set-context manages the current namespace and cluster context.
- Kops: A tool for managing Kubernetes clusters (e.g., kops\_update, kops\_delete).

### **Potential Issues**

- Some commands lack namespaces (e.g., kubectl apply -f my-pod.yaml defaults to default).
- Typos (e.g., get namespace instead of get ns) may cause errors.
- Resource limits must match node capacity; otherwise, pods may remain in Pending state.

If you need clarification on any command or help executing them, let me know!

Change Context and Namespace

i didn't understand the context. what is it and how is it different from namespace

Let's break this down to clarify the concepts of **context** and **namespace** in Kubernetes, and how they differ.

#### What is a Context?

- A context in Kubernetes is a set of configuration details that kubectl uses to communicate with a specific cluster. It includes:
  - The cluster you want to interact with (e.g., its API server endpoint and credentials).
  - The user (e.g., your authentication details, like a certificate or token).

- The namespace (optional default namespace for operations, which can be overridden).
- The context is stored in the kubeconfig file (typically ~/.kube/config) and defines the "environment" or "session" for your kubectl commands.
- You can have multiple contexts in your kubeconfig file (e.g., for different clusters or users) and switch between them using the kubectl config use-context command.

# Example:

 You might have a context called dev-cluster for a development cluster and prodcluster for a production cluster. Switching contexts changes which cluster and user kubectl targets.

### **Command to Change Context:**

- kubectl config set-context --current --namespace=<namespace>
  - This modifies the current context to use a specific namespace by default. The
     --current flag refers to the context you're currently using.
- To switch to a different context entirely:
  - kubectl config use-context <context-name>
    - E.g., kubectl config use-context dev-cluster switches to the devcluster context.

# What is a Namespace?

- A **namespace** is a logical partition within a single Kubernetes cluster. It provides a way to organize and isolate resources (e.g., pods, services, deployments) for different teams, projects, or environments (e.g., dev, prod, test).
- Namespaces are useful in multi-tenant environments to prevent naming conflicts (e.g., two teams can have a pod named web-app in different namespaces).
- By default, every cluster has namespaces like default, kube-system, and kube-public. You can create custom namespaces (e.g., devops) using kubectl create namespace <name> or a YAML file.

### **Example:**

• In the default namespace, you might run a web-app pod. In the devops namespace, you could run a different web-app pod without conflict.

### **Command to Set Namespace:**

- kubectl config set-context --current --namespace=devops
  - Sets the default namespace for the current context to devops. Future kubectl commands (e.g., kubectl get pod) will target the devops namespace unless overridden with -n <namespace>.
- To apply a namespace for a single command:
  - kubectl get pod -n devops
    - Lists pods specifically in the devops namespace.

# **Key Differences**

Aspect	Context	Namespace
Definition	A configuration set for cluster access (cluster, user, namespace).	A logical partition within a cluster for resource isolation.
Scope	Applies to the entire kubectl session or configuration.	Applies within a single cluster to group resources.
Purpose	Defines which cluster and user to interact with.	Organizes and isolates resources (e.g., for teams or projects).
Configuration	Managed in kubeconfig file with kubectl config.	Created and managed with kubectl create ns or YAML.
Switching	Use kubectl config use-context <name>.</name>	Use -n <namespace> in commands or set via context.</namespace>
Default	No default context until set; multiple contexts possible.	Default namespace is default unless changed.

# **How They Work Together**

- A context can include a default namespace, but you can override it per command using -n.
- For example:

- If your context is set to use the devops namespace, kubectl get pod will list pods in devops.
- If you run kubectl get pod -n default, it will override the context and list pods in the default namespace instead.
- Changing the context (e.g., to a different cluster) might reset the namespace to default unless explicitly set in the new context.

# **Practical Example**

#### 1. Check Current Context:

- kubectl config current-context
  - Outputs the current context name (e.g., minikube).

### 2. Set Namespace in Current Context:

- kubectl config set-context --current --namespace=devops
  - Updates the current context to use devops as the default namespace.

### 3. Verify:

- kubectl get pod
  - Lists pods in the devops namespace.
- kubectl get pod -n default
  - Lists pods in the default namespace, overriding the context setting.

### Summary

- Context is about configuring your connection to a cluster and user, with an optional default namespace.
- Namespace is about organizing resources within that cluster.
- Use kubectl config commands to manage contexts and -n or context settings to manage namespaces.

If you're still unsure or want to try this with your cluster, let me know, and I can guide you through setting up a specific example!

i didn't understand again, hows context different from cluster

I apologize for the confusion! Let's clarify the difference between **context** and **cluster** in Kubernetes with a simpler explanation.

### What is a Cluster?

- A cluster is the physical or virtual infrastructure where Kubernetes runs. It consists
  of:
  - Nodes: Machines (physical or virtual) that run your applications and Kubernetes components.
  - Master Node(s): Manages the cluster (e.g., API server, scheduler, controller manager).
  - Worker Nodes: Run your application pods.
  - Networking: Connects all nodes and enables communication between pods.
- A cluster is the actual environment where your Kubernetes workloads (e.g., pods, services) are deployed and managed.
- You can have multiple clusters (e.g., a development cluster, a production cluster)
   managed by the same or different Kubernetes setups.

# Example:

 You might have a cluster called dev-cluster on a cloud provider like AWS, and another called prod-cluster on Google Cloud.

### What is a Context?

- A context is a configuration setting in your kubect1 tool that tells it how to connect to a specific cluster. It includes:
  - The **cluster** name (e.g., dev-cluster or prod-cluster).
  - The user credentials (e.g., a certificate, token, or username/password) to authenticate with that cluster.
  - An optional **namespace** default for operations within that cluster.
- The context is stored in the kubeconfig file (usually ~/.kube/config) and allows
  you to switch between different clusters or user settings without changing your
  configuration manually each time.

### **Example:**

 You might have a context called dev-context that points to the dev-cluster with a specific user, and another context called prod-context for the prod-cluster with a different user.

# **Key Differences**

Aspect	Cluster	Context
Definition	The actual Kubernetes environment (nodes, master, workloads).	A configuration in kubectl to access a cluster.
Scope	The physical/virtual setup running Kubernetes.	A logical setting in your local kubectl configuration.
Purpose	Runs and manages your applications and Kubernetes components.	Defines how kubectl connects to a cluster and user.
Location	Exists on the cloud, on-premises, or locally (e.g., Minikube).	Stored in the kubeconfig file on your local machine.
Switching	You don't switch clusters directly; you manage them via tools like kops or cloud consoles.	Switch with kubectl config use-context <context-name>.</context-name>
Default	No default cluster; you define multiple clusters.	No default context until set; multiple contexts possible.

# **How They Relate**

- A cluster is the target environment, while a context is the lens through which kubectl interacts with that cluster.
- You can have multiple clusters, and each cluster can be associated with one or more contexts (e.g., different users accessing the same cluster).
- When you run a <a href="kubectl">kubectl</a> get pods ), the current context determines which cluster and user are targeted.

# **Practical Example**

### 1. Check Clusters:

• kubectl config get-clusters

 Lists all clusters defined in your kubeconfig (e.g., dev-cluster, prodcluster).

### 2. Check Contexts:

- kubectl config get-contexts
  - Lists all contexts, showing the cluster, user, and namespace for each (e.g., dev-context → dev-cluster, user1, devops namespace).

#### 3. Switch Context:

- kubectl config use-context dev-context
  - Switches kubectl to use the dev-context, which points to the devcluster.

#### 4. Run a Command:

- kubectl get nodes
  - Retrieves node information from the dev-cluster based on the current context.

# **Analogy**

- Think of a cluster as a physical office building where work happens.
- A **context** is like your employee badge and access card, which specifies which building (cluster) you can enter and what permissions (user) you have inside.

### Why It Matters

- If you have multiple clusters (e.g., dev, staging, prod), you use contexts to switch between them without manually updating connection details.
- The cluster remains the same unless you reconfigure your infrastructure, but you
  can change contexts to interact with different clusters or users.

Does this clear things up? If you'd like, I can walk you through setting up multiple contexts for your current cluster or provide more examples! Let me know!

default context mean?

The term "default context" in Kubernetes refers to the context that kubectl uses automatically when you run a command without explicitly specifying a different context. Let's break it down:

#### What is a Default Context?

- A context is a set of configuration details in your kubeconfig file (typically ~/.kube/config) that defines:
  - The **cluster** to connect to (e.g., its API server address).
  - The user for authentication (e.g., a certificate or token).
  - An optional **default namespace** for operations.
- The default context is the context that is currently active or selected in your kubectl configuration unless you switch to another context manually.

#### How is the Default Context Set?

- When you first set up kubectl (e.g., with Minikube, a cloud provider, or kubeadm),
   a context is typically created and set as the default. For example:
  - If you use Minikube, it creates a context like minikube and sets it as the default.
  - The default context is the one marked with an asterisk (\*) when you run:

```
text
kubectl config get-contexts
```

### Example output:

```
CURRENT NAME CLUSTER AUTHINFO NAMESPACE

* minikube minikube minikube default

prod prod-cluster prod-user prod
```

Here, minikube is the default context because of the \*.

 If no context is explicitly set, kubectl uses the first context listed in the kubeconfig file or the one last used.

### What Does "Default" Mean in Practice?

- When you run a command like kubectl get pods without specifying a context or namespace, kubectl uses the default context to determine:
  - Which cluster to query (e.g., minikube or your cloud cluster).
  - Which user credentials to use.
  - Which namespace to target (if a default namespace is set in the context;
     otherwise, it defaults to the default namespace).
- For example, if your default context is minikube with the default namespace, kubectl get pods will show pods in the default namespace of the Minikube cluster.

### How to Check or Set the Default Context

#### 1. Check Current Context:

- kubectl config current-context
  - Outputs the name of the default context (e.g., minikube).

### 2. List All Contexts:

- kubectl config get-contexts
  - Shows all contexts with the current (default) one marked with \*.

#### 3. Set a Default Context:

- kubectl config use-context <context-name>
  - E.g., kubectl config use-context minikube sets minikube as the default context.

### 4. Modify Default Namespace in Context:

- kubectl config set-context --current --namespace=devops
  - Updates the default namespace for the current context to devops.

# **Key Points**

- The default context is not a fixed setting; it's the context you're currently working with until you change it.
- It's different from the default namespace (e.g., default), which is a resource isolation level within a cluster. The default context can include a default namespace, but you can override it with -n <namespace> in commands.
- If you have multiple clusters (e.g., dev, prod), the default context determines which one kubectl interacts with by default.

# **Example Scenario**

- You have two clusters: dev-cluster and prod-cluster.
- Your kubeconfig has two contexts:
  - dev-context (points to dev-cluster, user dev-user, namespace dev).
  - prod-context (points to prod-cluster, user prod-user, namespace prod).
- If dev-context is the default (marked with \*), running kubectl get pods will target dev-cluster and show pods in the dev namespace unless overridden.

# **Current Context Check (as of now)**

Since the current date and time is 02:11 PM IST on Thursday, August 21, 2025, you can run:

 kubectl config current-context to see your default context right now. If it's not set or you're unsure, it might default to the first context in your kubeconfig (e.g., from Minikube or a cloud setup).

Does this make it clearer? If you want help checking or setting your default context, let me know, and I can guide you with specific commands!

u yap too much nonsense, what's default context? prod-cluster? devcluster? what?

Fair point—let's cut to the chase. The **default context** is the context **kubectl** uses automatically when you run commands, based on your **kubeconfig** file. It's not inherently **prod-cluster** or **dev-cluster**—it's whatever context is currently set as active (marked with \* in kubectl config get-contexts).

To find out your default context right now:

- Run kubectl config current-context.
- If it's not set, it might default to the first context in your kubeconfig, like minikube or something from your AWS setup.

If you've been working with prod-cluster or dev-cluster, check with the command above to see which one's active. To switch, use kubectl config use-context <context-name> (e.g., kubectl config use-context prod-cluster). That's it! Let me know if you need to check yours specifically.

resource limits pod i didn't understand the yaml codes

I'll explain the **resource limits** in a Kubernetes pod YAML file in a simple and direct way. Resource limits define how much CPU and memory a pod (and its containers) can use, preventing it from overwhelming the cluster. Let's break down the YAML code you might have seen in your notes (e.g., from the images) and clarify it step by step.

### What Are Resource Limits?

- Requests: The minimum resources a container needs to run (e.g., "I need at least this much").
- **Limits**: The maximum resources a container can use (e.g., "Don't let me exceed this").
- If a pod tries to use more than its limits, Kubernetes may kill it or throttle it, depending on the situation.

# **Example YAML with Resource Limits**

Here's a sample pod YAML from your notes (e.g., test.yaml or nginx-resource.yaml):

```
yaml

apiVersion: v1
kind: Pod
metadata:
   name: test-pod
spec:
   containers:
```

```
- name: nginx
image: nginx
resources:
    requests:
        memory: "500Mi"
        cpu: "200m"
    limits:
        memory: "1500Mi"
        cpu: "500m"
```

# **Breaking It Down**

- 1. apiVersion: v1 and kind: Pod
  - Defines this as a pod resource in Kubernetes version 1.x.

### 2. metadata:

```
name: test-pod
```

Names the pod test-pod.

### 3. **spec:**

• Defines the pod's specifications.

### 4. containers:

Lists the containers in the pod.

```
• - name: nginx
```

Names the container nginx.

```
• image: nginx
```

Uses the nginx image from Docker Hub.

#### 5. resources:

- Where the magic happens for resource limits.
- requests:
  - memory: "500Mi"
    - Requests 500 mebibytes (Mi) of memory. This is the minimum the container expects to function.

- cpu: "200m"
  - Requests 200 millicpus (m), where 1000m = 1 CPU core. So, this is 0.2
     CPU cores.
  - Kubernetes schedules the pod on a node with at least this much available.

#### limits:

- memory: "1500Mi"
  - Caps memory usage at 1500 Mi. If the container exceeds this, it may be terminated.
- cpu: "500m"
  - Caps CPU usage at 500m (0.5 CPU cores). Kubernetes throttles or kills the container if it goes over.

# Why Use This?

- Stability: Prevents one pod from hogging all resources and crashing the node.
- Fairness: Ensures resources are shared among pods.
- Scheduling: Helps Kubernetes place pods on nodes with enough capacity.

### **From Your Notes**

- In test.yaml, you had:
  - limits: memory: "1500Mi", cpu: "500m"
  - This sets a hard cap.
- In test2.yaml, you added requests: memory: "500Mi" with limits: memory: "800Mi", cpu: "400m".
  - Requests are the baseline, limits are the ceiling.
- If resources exceed limits (e.g., node has only 600Mi memory available but limit is 1500Mi), the pod won't deploy and stays in Pending state.

# **Applying It**

• Save the YAML (e.g., test-pod.yaml).

- Run: kubectl apply -f test-pod.yaml -n <namespace>
- Check: kubectl get pod -n <namespace>
- Describe for details: kubectl describe pod test-pod -n <namespace>

# **Quick Tips**

- Use Mi for mebibytes (1024-based) or M for megabytes (1000-based).
- Use m for millicpus (e.g., 500m = 0.5 cores).

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