

Writing a Kubernetes Operator in Java

This cheat sheet covers how to create a Kubernetes Operator in Java using Quarkus.

```
mvn "io.quarkus:quarkus-maven-plugin:1.4.0.Final:create" \
  -DprojectId="org.acme" \
  -DprojectArtifactId="pizza-operator" \
  -DprojectVersion="1.0-SNAPSHOT" \
  -Dextensions="kubernetes, kubernetes-client" \
```

Tip You can generate the project in <https://code.quarkus.io/> and selecting `kubernetes` and `kubernetes-client` extensions.

DEFINING THE CRD

First, you need to create a CRD defining the custom resource:

```
apiVersion: apiextensions.k8s.io/v1beta1
kind: CustomResourceDefinition
metadata:
  name: pizzas.mykubernetes.acme.org
  labels:
    app: pizzamaker
    mylabel: stuff
spec:
  group: mykubernetes.acme.org
  scope: Namespaced
  version: v1beta2
  names:
    kind: Pizza
    listKind: PizzaList
    plural: pizzas
    singular: pizza
    shortNames:
      - pz
```

An example of a pizza resource:

```
apiVersion: mykubernetes.acme.org/v1beta2
kind: Pizza
metadata:
  name: alexmeats
spec:
  toppings:
    - mozzarella
    - pepperoni
    - sausage
    - bacon
  sauce: extra
```

DEFINING THE JAVA CODE

Parsing of the pizza resource

You need to create a parser for reading the content of pizza resource.

```
@JsonDeserialize
public class PizzaResourceSpec {
  @JsonProperty("toppings")
  private List<String> toppings = new ArrayList<>();
```

```
  @JsonProperty("sauce")
  private String sauce;
  // getters/setters
}
@JsonDeserialize
public class PizzaResourceStatus {}
@JsonDeserialize
public class PizzaResource extends CustomResource {
  private PizzaResourceSpec spec;
  private PizzaResourceStatus status;
  // getters/setters
}
@JsonSerialize
public class PizzaResourceList extends
CustomResourceList<PizzaResource> {}

public class PizzaResourceDoneable extends
CustomResourceDoneable<PizzaResource> {
  public PizzaResourceDoneable(PizzaResource resource,
    Function<PizzaResource, PizzaResource>
    function)
  { super(resource, function);}
}
```

Registering the CRD in Kubernetes Client

```
public class KubernetesClientProducer {

  @Produces
  @Singleton
  @Named("namespace")
  String findMyCurrentNamespace() throws
  IOException {
    return new
    String(Files.readAllBytes(Paths.get("/
    var/run/secrets/kubernetes.io/
    serviceaccount/namespace"))));
  }
  @Produces
  @Singleton
  KubernetesClient
  makeDefaultClient(@Named("namespace") String
    namespace) {
    return new
    DefaultKubernetesClient().inNamespace(namespace);
  }
}
```

```
@Produces
@Singleton
MixedOperation<PizzaResource, PizzaResourceList,
PizzaResourceDoneable, Resource<PizzaResource,
PizzaResourceDoneable>>

makeCustomHelloResourceClient(KubernetesClient
defaultClient) {

KubernetesDeserializer.registerCustomKind("mykuberne
tes.acme.org/v1beta2", "Pizza",
PizzaResource.class);
CustomResourceDefinition crd =
defaultClient.customResourceDefinitions().
list().getItems().stream().findFirst()
.orElseThrow(RuntimeException::new);
return defaultClient.customResources(crd,
PizzaResource.class, PizzaResourceList.class,
PizzaResourceDoneable.class);
}
}
```

Implement the Operator

Operator is the logic that is executed when the custom resource (pizza) is applied. In this case, a pod is instantiated with pizza-maker image.

```
public class PizzaResourceWatcher {

@Inject
KubernetesClient defaultClient;

@Inject
MixedOperation<PizzaResource, PizzaResourceList,
PizzaResourceDoneable, Resource<PizzaResource,
PizzaResourceDoneable>> crClient;

void onStartup(@Observes StartupEvent event) {

crClient.watch(new Watcher<PizzaResource>() {
@Override
public void eventReceived(Action action,
PizzaResource resource) {
if (action == Action.ADDED) {
final String app = resource.getMetadata()
.getName();
final String sauce = resource.getSpec()
.getSauce();
final List<String> toppings =
resource.getSpec().getToppings();

final Map<String, String> labels = new
HashMap<>(); labels.put("app", app);

final ObjectMetaBuilder objectMetaBuilder =
new ObjectMetaBuilder().withName(app + "-
pod")
.withNamespace(resource.getMetadata()
.getNamespace()).withLabels(labels);
```

```
final ContainerBuilder containerBuilder =
new ContainerBuilder().withName("pizza-
maker")
.withImage("quay.io/lordofthejars/
pizza-maker:1.0.0").withCommand("/work/
application")
.withArgs("--sauce=" + sauce, "--
toppings=" + String.join(",", toppings));

final PodSpecBuilder podSpecBuilder = new
PodSpecBuilder().withContainers
(containerBuilder.build())
.withRestartPolicy("Never");

final PodBuilder podBuilder = new
PodBuilder().withMetadata
(objectMetaBuilder.build())
.withSpec(podSpecBuilder.build());

final Pod pod = podBuilder.build();
defaultClient.resource(pod)
.createOrReplace();
}
}

@Override
public void onClose(KubernetesClientException e)
{
}
});
}
```

Deploy Operator

You need to package and create a container with all the operator code and deploy it to the cluster.

```
apiVersion: rbac.authorization.k8s.io/v1
kind: ClusterRole
metadata:
  name: quarkus-operator-example
rules:
- apiGroups:
  - ''
  resources:
  - pods
  verbs:
  - get
  - list
  - watch
  - create
  - update
  - delete
  - patch
- apiGroups:
  - apiextensions.k8s.io
  resources:
  - customresourcedefinitions
  verbs:
  - list
```

```
- watch
---
apiVersion: v1
kind: ServiceAccount
metadata:
  name: quarkus-operator-example
---
apiVersion: rbac.authorization.k8s.io/v1
kind: ClusterRoleBinding
metadata:
  name: quarkus-operator-example
subjects:
- kind: ServiceAccount
  name: quarkus-operator-example
  namespace: default
roleRef:
  kind: ClusterRole
  name: quarkus-operator-example
  apiGroup: rbac.authorization.k8s.io
---
apiVersion: apps/v1
kind: Deployment
metadata:
  name: quarkus-operator-example
spec:
  selector:
    matchLabels:
      app: quarkus-operator-example
  replicas: 1
  template:
    metadata:
      labels:
        app: quarkus-operator-example
    spec:
      serviceAccountName: quarkus-operator-example
      containers:
      - image: quay.io/lordofthejars/pizza-operator:1.0.0
        name: quarkus-operator-example
        imagePullPolicy: IfNotPresent
```

Run the `kubectl apply -f pizza-crd.yaml` command to register the CRD in the cluster. Run the `kubectl apply -f deploy.yaml` command to register the operator.

Running the example

Apply the custom resource by running: `kubectl apply -f meat-pizza.yaml` and check the output of `kubectl get pods` command.

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