

# Logging and Monitoring in Kubernetes Clusters

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# Course Overview



Maintaining Kubernetes Clusters

Logging and Monitoring in Kubernetes Clusters

Troubleshooting Kubernetes Clusters

# Summary

Logging architecture

Accessing objects with JSONPath

Accessing performance data with the Kubelet  
Server

# Logging in Kubernetes



Containers and  
Pods



Nodes



Control Plane



Events

# Logging Architecture - Pods and Containers

`stdout and stderr`

Logging Driver

`/var/log/containers`

Two logs are retained  
on the Node

Log Aggregation

`kubectl logs`

Log rotation

<https://kubernetes.io/docs/concepts/cluster-administration/logging/>

# Accessing Log Data - Pods and Containers

```
kubectl logs $POD_NAME
```

```
kubectl logs $POD_NAME -c $CONTAINER_NAME
```

```
docker logs $CONTAINER_NAME
```

```
tail /var/log/containers/$CONTAINER_NAME_$CONTAINER_ID
```

# Logging Architecture - Nodes

kubelet	kube-proxy
systemd service	Pod
journald	kubectl logs
journalctl kubelet.service	/var/log/containers
/var/log/kubelet.log	/var/log/kube-proxy
Local operating system logs	

# Logging Architecture - Control Plane



## Run as Pods

```
kubectl logs -n kube-system $PODNAME
```

```
docker logs $CONTAINERNAME
```

```
/var/log/containers
```

systemd based system logs to journald

## Everywhere else...

```
/var/log/kube-apiserver.log
```

```
/var/log/kube-scheduler.log
```

```
/var/log/kube-controller-manager.log
```



# Kubernetes Events



Logs for resources defined in the cluster

Changes in resource state

Go to log for when something goes wrong

```
kubectl get events
```

```
kubectl describe $TYPE $NAME
```

One hour retention

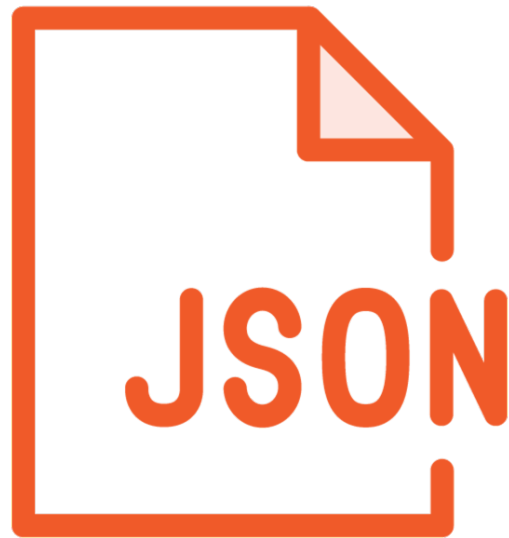
# Demo

Kubernetes logging architecture

- Pods
- Worker Nodes
- Control Plane

Accessing Cluster Events

# Accessing Object Data with JSONPath



kubectl supports  
JSONPath



Write expressions to  
access, filter, sort and  
format object data



Precise operations  
on objects

<https://kubernetes.io/docs/reference/kubectl/jsonpath/>

```
#List just all pod names
kubectl get pods -o jsonpath='{ .items[*].metadata.name }'

#Get all container images in use by all pods in all namespaces
kubectl get pods --all-namespaces \
    -o jsonpath='{ .items[*].spec.containers[*].image }'
```

## Accessing Objects with JSONPath

# Accessing Objects with JSONPath

`.items[*].metadata.name`



`.items[*].spec.containers[*].image`



```
"items": [  
  {  
    "apiVersion": "v1",  
    "kind": "Pod",  
    "metadata": {  
      "name": "nginx-86c57db685-fmwk6",  
      ...  
    },  
    "spec": {  
      ...  
      "containers": [  
        {  
          ...  
        }  
      ],  
      ...  
    }  
  }  
]
```

```
#Get all Internal IP Addresses of Nodes in a cluster
kubectl get nodes \
  -o jsonpath="{ .items[*].status.addresses[?(@.type=='InternalIP')].address }"
```

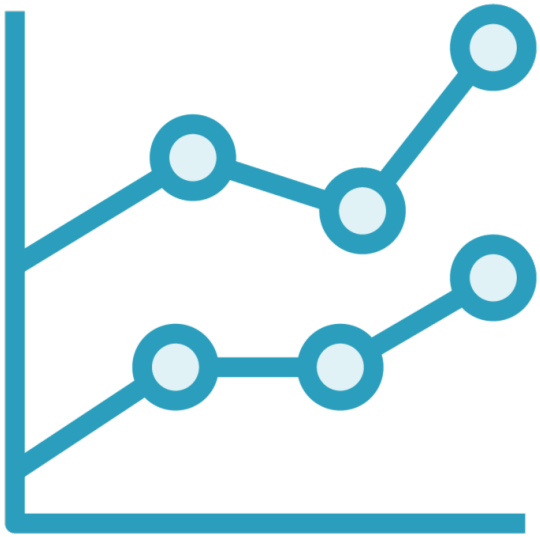
## Filtering Objects with JSONPath

# Demo

Using JSONpath output to access object data

- Accessing
- Filtering
- Sorting

# Monitoring in Kubernetes



Observe



Measure changes



Resource limits



# Kubernetes Metrics Server



Provides resources metrics Pods and Nodes

Point in time

Collects resource metrics from kubelets

CPU and Memory

```
kubectl top pods
```

```
kubectl top nodes
```

<https://github.com/kubernetes-sigs/metrics-server>

# Demo

Using kubectl top to analyze resource consumption for Pods and Nodes

# Review

Logging architecture

Accessing objects with JSONPath

Accessing performance data with the Kubelet  
Server

Up Next:

Troubleshooting Kubernetes Clusters

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