Exploring Helm Releases



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Deploying a Chart to Kubernetes



Searching the Stable Repository

helm repo add stable https://kubernetes-charts.storage.googleapis.com/ helm search repo stable/mysql

```
PS C:\> helm search repo stable/mysql

NAME CHART VERSION APP VERSION DESCRIPTION

stable/mysql 1.6.4 5.7.30 Fast, reliable, scalable, and easy to use open-...

stable/mysqldump 2.6.0 2.4.1 A Helm chart to help backup MySQL databases usi...

PS C:\>
```



Deploying a Chart

helm install mysql stable/mysql

```
PS C:\> helm install mysql stable/mysql
NAME: mysql
LAST DEPLOYED: Thu Jun 25 13:07:07 2020
NAMESPACE: default
STATUS: deployed
REVISION: 1
NOTES:
MySQL can be accessed via port 3306 on the following DNS name from within your cluster:
mysql.default.svc.cluster.local
```



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Deploying a chart to Kubernetes



Retrieving Information About a Release



Viewing Release Status

helm list

```
PS C:\> helm list

NAME NAMESPACE REVISION UPDATED

mysql default 1 2020-06-25 13:07:07.702461 +0100 BST deployed mysql-1.6.4 5.7.30

PS C:\>
```



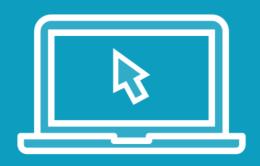
Viewing Kubernetes Objects

kubectl get all

```
PS C:\> kubectl get all
NAME
                                     STATUS
                             READY
                                               RESTARTS
                                                           AGE
                             1/1
pod/mysql-69b7b6c74c-mwrbh
                                     Running
                                                           2m18s
NAME
                     TYPE
                                 CLUSTER-IP
                                                  EXTERNAL-IP
                                                                 PORT(S)
                                                                            AGE
service/kubernetes
                     ClusterIP
                                 10.96.0.1
                                                                 443/TCP
                                                                            20d
                                                   <none>
                                                                 3306/TCP
service/mysql
                     ClusterIP
                                 10.104.112.111
                                                                            2m18s
                                                   <none>
NAME
                        READY
                                UP-TO-DATE
                                             AVAILABLE
                                                          AGE
deployment.apps/mysql
                        1/1
                                                          2m18s
NAME
                                   DESIRED
                                             CURRENT
                                                        READY
                                                                AGE
replicaset.apps/mysql-69b7b6c74c
                                                                2m18s
PS C:\>
```



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Retrieving information about a release



Upgrading a Release



Viewing Chart Versions

helm search repo stable/mysql --versions

```
PS C:\> helm search repo stable/mysql --versions
NAME
                        CHART VERSION
                                        APP VERSION
                                                        DESCRIPTION
stable/mysql
                        1.6.4
                                                        Fast, reliable, scalable, and easy to use open-...
                                        5.7.30
                                                        Fast, reliable, scalable, and easy to use open-...
stable/mysql
                       1.6.3
                                        5.7.28
                                                        Fast, reliable, scalable, and easy to use open-...
stable/mysql
                       1.6.2
                                        5.7.28
stable/mysql
                        1.6.1
                                        5.7.27
                                                        Fast, reliable, scalable, and easy to use open-...
                                                        Fast, reliable, scalable, and easy to use open-...
stable/mysql
                       1.6.0
                                        5.7.27
stable/mysql
                        1.5.0
                                        5.7.27
                                                        Fast, reliable, scalable, and easy to use open-...
                                                        Fast, reliable, scalable, and easy to use open-...
stable/mysql
                        1.4.0
                                        5.7.27
                                                        Fast, reliable, scalable, and easy to use open-...
stable/mysql
                       1.3.3
                                        5.7.14
stable/mysql
                        1.3.2
                                        5.7.14
                                                        Fast, reliable, scalable, and easy to use open-...
stable/mysql
                                                        Fast, reliable, scalable, and easy to use open-...
                        1.3.1
                                        5.7.14
                                                        Fast, reliable, scalable, and easy to use open-...
stable/mysql
                        1.3.0
                                        5.7.14
stable/mysql
                        1.2.2
                                        5.7.14
                                                        Fast, reliable, scalable, and easy to use open-...
```



Deploying a Specific Chart Version

helm install mysql stable/mysql --version 1.6.3

```
PS C:\> helm install mysql stable/mysql --version 1.6.3

NAME: mysql

LAST DEPLOYED: Thu Jun 25 13:16:14 2020

NAMESPACE: default

STATUS: deployed

REVISION: 1

NOTES:

MySQL can be accessed via port 3306 on the following DNS name from within your cluster:

mysql.default.svc.cluster.local
```



Upgrading a Release

helm upgrade mysql stable/mysql --version 1.6.4

```
PS C:\> helm upgrade mysql stable/mysql --version 1.6.4
Release "mysql" has been upgraded. Happy Helming!
NAME: mysql
LAST DEPLOYED: Thu Jun 25 13:17:30 2020
NAMESPACE: default
STATUS: deployed
REVISION: 2
NOTES:
MySQL can be accessed via port 3306 on the following DNS name from within your cluster:
mysql.default.svc.cluster.local
```



Viewing Release History

helm list

```
PS C:\> helm list

NAME NAMESPACE REVISION UPDATED STATUS CHART APP VERSION mysql default 2 2020-06-25 13:17:30.2951258 +0100 BST deployed mysql-1.6.4 5.7.30

PS C:\>
```

helm history mysql

```
PS C:\> helm history mysql
REVISION
                UPDATED
                                                 STATUS
                                                                 CHART
                                                                                  APP VERSION
                                                                                                  DESCRIPTION
                Thu Jun 25 13:16:14 2020
                                                                 mysql-1.6.3
                                                 superseded
                                                                                  5.7.28
                                                                                                  Install complete
                Thu Jun 25 13:17:30 2020
                                                 deployed
                                                                 mysql-1.6.4
                                                                                  5.7.30
                                                                                                  Upgrade complete
PS C:\>
```



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Upgrading a Release



Rolling Back a Release



Release History

helm history mysql

```
PS C:\> helm history mysql
REVISION
                UPDATED
                                                 STATUS
                                                                 CHART
                                                                                 APP VERSION
                                                                                                  DESCRIPTION
                                                                 mysql-1.6.3
                                                                                                  Install complete
                Thu Jun 25 13:16:14 2020
                                                 superseded
                                                                                 5.7.28
                                                 deployed
                                                                                                  Upgrade complete
                Thu Jun 25 13:17:30 2020
                                                                 mysql-1.6.4
                                                                                 5.7.30
PS C:\>
```



Rolling Back a Release

helm rollback mysql 1

```
PS C:\> helm rollback mysql 1
Rollback was a success! Happy Helming!
PS C:\> helm list
        NAMESPACE
                        REVISION
                                                                                 STATUS
                                                                                                 CHART
NAME
                                        UPDATED
                                                                                                                 APP VERSION
mysql
       default
                                        2020-06-25 13:21:48.7197311 +0100 BST
                                                                                 deployed
                                                                                                 mysql-1.6.3
                                                                                                                 5.7.28
PS C:\>
```



Release History

helm history mysql

```
PS C:\> helm history mysql
REVISION
                UPDATED
                                                 STATUS
                                                                 CHART
                                                                                  APP VERSION
                                                                                                  DESCRIPTION
                Thu Jun 25 13:16:14 2020
                                                                 mysql-1.6.3
                                                                                                  Install complete
                                                 superseded
                                                                                  5.7.28
                                                 superseded
                                                                 mysql-1.6.4
                                                                                                  Upgrade complete
                Thu Jun 25 13:17:30 2020
                                                                                  5.7.30
                Thu Jun 25 13:21:48 2020
                                                                 mysql-1.6.3
                                                                                                  Rollback to 1
                                                 deployed
                                                                                  5.7.28
PS C:\>
```



Demo



Rolling back a Release



Exploring a Chart

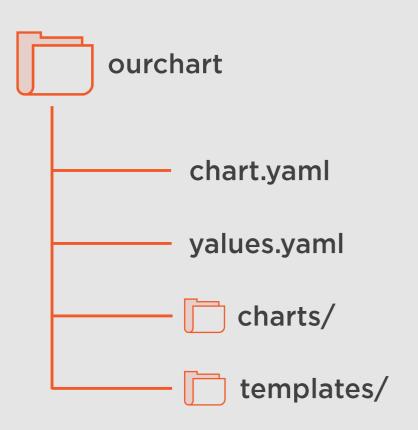


Pulling Down a Chart

helm pull stable/mysql --untar



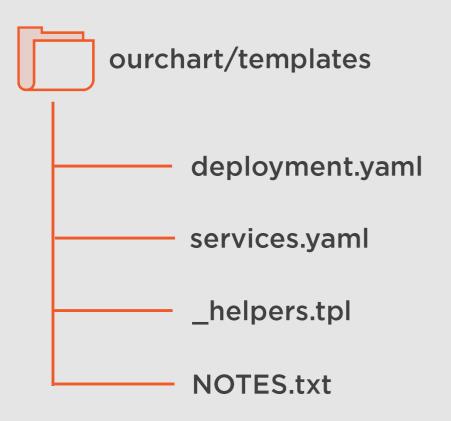
Helm Chart Structure



◆ Chart Name

- **◄** Contains description of the Chart
- **◄** Contains default values for the chart
- **◄** Contains other Charts
- Contains yaml files for the Chart

Templates Directory Structure



◄ Templates directory

- Deployment template yaml file
- Service template yaml file
- **◄** Template helpers
- Help text for the Chart

```
apiVersion: apps/v1
kind: Deployment
metadata:
  name: {{ .Release.Name }}-deployment
spec:
  replicas: 1
selector:
  matchLabels:
    name: {{ .Release.Name }}-pods
  template:
    metadata:
      labels:
        name: {{ .Release.Name }}-pods
    spec:
      containers:
      - name: {{ .Values.containerName }}
        image: {{ .Values.containerImage }}
        ports:
        - containerPort: {{ .Values.containerPort }}
```

Up Next: Configuring Helm Repositories

