

Hands-on kubernetes workshop

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Agenda_

- 1. intro
- 2. kubernetes fast start
- 3. running a pod / basic deployment
- 4. manage traffic (service, ingress)
- 5. configurations
- 6. advanced deployments
- 7. persistence (optional)

preparation_



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We are working on a cronn kubernetes server, managed by Rancher

- Rancher as multi-cluster management platform
 - https://rancher.cronn.de
- Kubernetes cluster
 - assigned to Wildcard domain *.rancher-k8s.cronn.de
 - 5 nodes as a kubernetes cluster

Let's configure access for you_

- git clone https://github.com/chrisingenhaag/k8s-javaland
- Github as authentication provider Your username is?
- Everybody gets a separate "namespace" for today

Preparation_

Kubernetes cli tools_

- Have kubectl installed https://kubernetes.io/docs/tasks/tools/install-kubectl/
- Get Kubeconfig file from rancher and place it in ~/.kube/config
- Bash completion is a plus!

\$ kubectl config set-context cronn-hetzner --namespace=[yournamespace]

Docker

- Have docker installed https://docs.docker.com/install/
- Docker-Hub account for publishing application (optional)

Task_

Check if your tooling work and your able to work with kubectl



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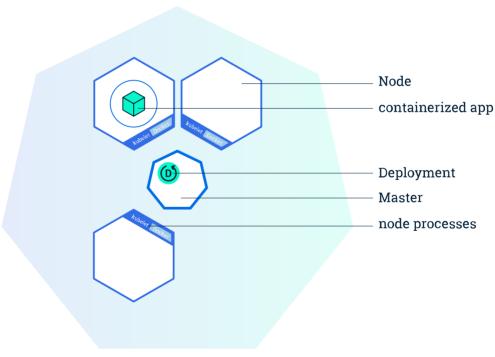
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https://kubernetes.io/docs/reference/generated/kubernetes-api/v1.21/

https://rancher.com/docs/rancher/v2.6/en/overview/architecture/#rancher

Cluster overview_



Kubernetes Cluster

image source: kubernetes.io

Node overview_

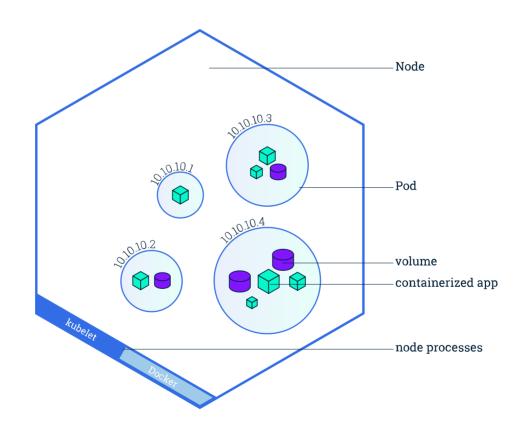


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Our plan_

- Demo application
 - Simple spring-boot application
 - Including a test controller /infos
 - Including actuator lib for health-checks
 - Sourcecode available in the git repo
- Docker Image
 - image available at ingenhaag/demo-app:latest
- Kubernetes
 - Run our application

Simple dockerizing a Java application_

```
FROM openjdk:11-jre-slim

COPY build/lib/demo-app-1.0.jar /app/demo-app.jar

ENTRYPOINT ["java","-jar","/app/demo-app.jar"]
```

Advanced dockerizing a Java application including security considerations_

Build, test and publish_

```
cd applications/demo-app
# build your application as jar
//gradlew clean assemble
# build your docker image
docker build .-t <your-docker-hub-name>/demo-app:latest
# test your built docker image
docker run -d --rm -p 8080:8080 <your-docker-hub-name>/demo-app:latest
# test your container
curl -i http://localhost:8080/infos
# push the image to docker hub
docker push <your-docker-hub-name>/demo-app:latest
```

running a pod / basic deployment_



Run your first container_

Basic deployment for our demo-app container_

```
apiVersion: apps/v1
kind: Deployment
metadata:
 name: demo-app-deployment
 namespace: christian
 labels:
  app: demo-app
spec:
 replicas: 1
 selector:
  matchLabels:
   app: demo-app
 template:
  metadata:
   labels:
    app: demo-app
  spec:
   containers:
   - name: demo-app
    image: ingenhaag/demo-app:latest
    ports:
    - containerPort: 8080
    securityContext:
     runAsNonRoot: true
     runAsUser: 1001
```

Run your first container_

```
cd material/01_basic_deployments
# create demo-app deployment
kubectl apply -f deployment-demo-app.yaml
# OR kubectl apply -f deployment-demo-app.yaml --namespace christian
# see deployment status
kubectl get all
# see pod details
kubectl describe pod demo-app-deployment-XXXXXXXXX-YYY
# port forward to pod
kubectl port-forward demo-app-deployment-XXXXXXXXX-YYY 8080
# test
curl -i http://localhost:8080/infos
```

Keep in mind: Pod/Container itself is not accessible from outside cluster

see https://kubernetes.io/docs/concepts/workloads/controllers/deployment/

Task_

Go through the steps above



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Conclusion_

- Pods are volatile
- No consistent reachability possible

Services in general_

- Kubernetes services provide a consistent addressability for pods
- Services are available in different types:
 - NodePort
 - ClusterIP
 - LoadBalancer
 - ExternalName
- Additionally, "headless services" provide a special, advanced way to address a group of pods without a strict coupling

Pods and services_

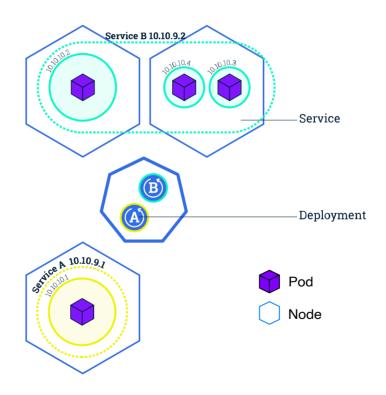


image source: kubernetes.io

Service type ClusterIP_

- Default service type
- Creates additional, virtual and internal ip for service which load balances traffic to selected pods
- Only cluster-internal availability

```
kind: Service
apiVersion: v1
metadata:
name: demo-app-service-clusterip
spec:
type: ClusterIP
selector:
app: demo-app
ports:
- name: http
protocol: TCP
port: 8080
targetPort: 8080
```

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```
# setup busybox container for testing inside cluster
cd material/01_basic_deployments
kubectl apply -f busybox.yaml
# set up clusterip service
cd ../02_manage_traffic
kubectl apply -f service-clusterip.yaml
# Login to your pod
kubectl exec -it busybox-deployment-XXXXXXXXXX-YYYY /bin/sh
# Test working dns resolution
# pattern: servicename[.namespace[.svc[.cluster.local]]]
# example: demo-app-service-clusterip.christian.svc.cluster.local
nslookup demo-app-service-clusterip.christian.svc.cluster.local
# Test http get for your service
wget -qO- demo-app-service-clusterip.christian.svc.cluster.local:8080/infos
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Task

- Create a ClusterIP service for your demo-app-deployment
- Create a deployment with image busybox:1.28
- Create and login to busybox Deployment and check your ClusterIP service

Service type NodePort_

- Opens external, random port on all nodes
- Configurable by cluster admin, in our case 30000-32767

```
kind: Service
apiVersion: v1
metadata:
name: demo-service-nodeport
spec:
type: NodePort
selector:
app: demo-app
ports:
- name: http
protocol: TCP
port: 8080
targetPort: 8080
```

Service type LoadBalancer_

- Assigns external ip from pool of ips (not node ip)
- Traffic to this ip will be routed to pods behind service
- No out of the box feature in private clusters, you'll need something like metallb
- Common in/Integrated with aws, gke or aks clusters

```
kind: Service
apiVersion: v1
metadata:
name: demo-app-service-loadbalancer
spec:
type: LoadBalancer
selector:
app: demo-app
ports:
- name: http
protocol: TCP
port: 8080
targetPort: 8080
```

Service type ExternalName_

- Is able to point to a cluster-external dns name
- Used to simplyfy address across environments as servicename can be the same everywhere

Examples:

- external database
- some external api

kind: Service apiVersion: v1 metadata:

name: external-db-service

spec:

type: ExternalName

externalName: my.database.example.com

Headless service_

- "Freedom to do discovery their own way"
- Service doesn't get own ip
- Kubernetes internal dns returns cname records for each pod behind service

```
kind: Service
apiVersion: v1
metadata:
name: demo-app-service-headless
spec:
type: ClusterIP
clusterIP: None #!!!
selector:
app: demo-app
ports:
- name: http
protocol: TCP
port: 8080
targetPort: 8080
```

Multiple ports_

- Of course it is possible to define multiple ports per service
- Pods may offer multiple ports as well
- For Example: spring-boot management port

```
kind: Service
apiVersion: v1
metadata:
name: demo-app-service-clusterip
spec:
type: ClusterIP
 selector:
  app: nginx
 ports:
 - name: http
  protocol: TCP
  port: 8080
  targetPort: 8080
 - name: http-management
  protocol: TCP
  port: 8081
  targetPort: 8081
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some ingress-controllers implementations

- nginx-ingress https://kubernetes.github.io/ingress-nginx/
- traefik https://traefik.io/
- and many more

Ingress_

Let's create a basic ingress for our nginx-deployment

```
apiVersion: networking.k8s.io/v1
kind: Ingress
metadata:
name: demo-app-ingress
namespace: christian
spec:
 rules:
  - host: christian.rancher-k8s.cronn.de
   http:
    paths:
      - pathType: Prefix
       path: /
       backend:
        service:
         name: demo-app-service-clusterip
         port:
          number: 8080
```

- We can now expose one port of the service to the outside world
- Even if the service has multiple ports (e.g. internal management port)

Ingress_

Keep in mind rules and paths objects are arrays[]! so ...

```
apiVersion: networking.k8s.io/v1
 kind: Ingress
 metadata:
  name: demo-app-ingress-multiple-backends
  annotations:
   nginx.ingress.kubernetes.io/rewrite-target:/
 spec:
  rules:
   - host: christian.rancher-k8s.cronn.de
    http:
      paths:
       - path: /app
        pathType: Prefix
        backend:
         service:
          name: serviceA
          port:
            number: 8080
       - path: /api
        pathType: Prefix
        backend:
see https://www.rnetes.github.io/ingress-nginx/user-guide/nginx-configuration/annotations/
          name: serviceB
          port:
```

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- Create an ingress for your demo-app-deployment pointing the the clusteripservice
- The ingress should listen on host yourname.rancher-k8s.cronn.de
- The ingress should listen on subpath /foo/bar/ which rewrites to / on demoapp side
- Look in material/03_ingress for input

configurations_



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No, For this we're able to use:

- Configmaps
- Secrets

ConfigMaps_

apiVersion: v1 kind: ConfigMap metadata:

name: configmap-envvalues

data:

CRONN_JAVALAND: '2022'

CRONN_WORKSHOP: 'Kubernetes'

Integration as environment variables

 Environment variables become part of your configuration in docker/kubernetes based applications

ConfigMaps_

Use all keys of the configmap as environment variables

```
apiVersion: apps/v1
kind: Deployment
metadata:
 name: demo-app-deployment
 labels:
  app: demo-app
spec:
 #...
 template:
  #...
  spec:
   containers:
   - name: demo-app
    #...
    envFrom:
    - configMapRef:
      name: configmap-envvalues
```

ConfigMaps_

Use some of the configmap keys as environment variables

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: Deployment
spec:
#...
template:
 #...
  spec:
   containers:
   - name: demo-app
    #...
    env:
    - name: CRONN_JAVALAND
     valueFrom:
      configMapKeyRef:
       name: configmap-envvalues
       key: CRONN_JAVALAND
```

ConfigMaps_

Complete files in ConfigMaps

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: ConfigMap
metadata:
name: configmap-files
data:
application.properties: |-
enemies=aliens
lives=3
enemies.cheat=true
someother.config: |-
color.good=purple
color.bad=yellow
```

- YAML is a b!#&% see https://yaml.org/refcard.html
 - or |+ or |- or >+ or >-

ConfigMaps_

Use ConfigMap as volumes

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: Deployment
spec:
 #...
 template:
  #...
  spec:
   containers:
   - name: demo-app
    #...
    volumeMounts:
    - name: config-volume
     mountPath: /opt/config
   volumes:
   - name: config-volume
    configMap:
     name: configmap-files
```

ConfigMaps - Task_

Task for env vars_

- Create a config map with simple values
- Extend your deployment to use all values as environment variables
- Apply changes, login to your container and check env vars

Task for filesystem_

- Create a config map with text file content
- Extend your deployment to mount all content values in your Pods filesystem
- Apply changes, login to your container and check env vars

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Base64 encoded values_

```
apiVersion: v1 kind: Secret metadata:
```

name: example-secret

type: Opaque

data:

username: Y2hyaXN0aWFu

password: MWYyZDFlMmU2N2Rm

\$ echo -n "christian" | base64 Y2hyaXN0aWFu

Secrets_

StringData values_

apiVersion: v1 kind: Secret metadata:

name: example-secret-stringdata

type: Opaque stringData:

username: plainusername password: plainpassword



Health checks_

- Liveness Probes Indicates that the pod is running and reachable
- Readiness Probes Indicates that kubernetes can pass traffic to Pod

```
# excerpt deployment
spec:
template:
  spec:
   containers:
   - image: someimage:latest
    readinessProbe: #or livenessProbe
     httpGet:
       path: /
       port: 8080
       scheme: HTTP
     initialDelaySeconds: 30
     periodSeconds: 15
     timeoutSeconds: 1
     failureThreshold: 3
     successThreshold: 1
```

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```
# excerpt deployment
spec:
template:
spec:
containers:
- image: someimage:latest
resources:
limits:
cpu: 1000m
memory: 512Mi
requests:
cpu: 250m
memory: 256Mi
```

Task_

- Extend your Deployment to use spring-actuator health-endpoint for readiness check
- Extend your Deployment to limit container resources
 - 100m / 1000m cpu
 - 256Mi / 512Mi memory

Some Questions / Discussion_

- When is your application healthy regarding e.g. Database availability?
- What startup time do you expect with 100m cpu?
- What happens if your pod wants to use more than requested resources?

Some notes on java in k8s environments_

CPU resources_

- Java needs more cpu at startup time
- Make use of requests/limits

Memory resources_

- Heap size, Java from 11 respects container cgroup limits out of the box
- Tweaking Heap size in respect of resource limits
 - -XX:MaxRAMPercentage=50
- Normally java is not designed to give back memory to os (default)
- Which garbage collector with cpu resource limits 1000m?
 - Multithreaded garbage collection with just one cpu?
 - May be use something like -XX:+UseSerialGC
- Fix memory request == limit?

Deployment Strategies_

Types_

- Rolling Start new, then stop old
- Recreate Stop old, then start new

```
spec:
strategy:
type: Rolling
rollingParams:
intervalSeconds: 1
maxSurge: 25%
maxUnavailable: 25%
timeoutSeconds: 600
updatePeriodSeconds: 1
```

```
spec:
strategy:
type: Recreate
```

Thank you!_

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Backup Slides_



Backup Topics_

- Persistence
- Horizontal Pod Autoscaling
- Secure ingress (letsencrypt)
- Security
 - Pod security policies
 - Network policies



Introduction_

- Everything a Pod stores to its local filesystem is lost after restart
- Kubernetes provides a volume concept for using persistent storage
- Remember: Pods are volatile, can be stopped and rescheduled at any time

We differentiate between

- Static volume creation and assignment
 - Some Administrator creates volumes and you're able to use them
 - Persistent Volumes
- Dynamic volume creation and assignment
 - Cluster creates volumes dynamically if no volume matches claim
 - E.g. request for Persistent Volume
 - Persistent Volume Claims

Access Modes_

- ReadWriteOnce the volume can be mounted as read-write by a single node
- ReadOnlyMany the volume can be mounted read-only by many nodes
- ReadWriteMany the volume can be mounted as read-write by many nodes

Some available Types_

- Emptydir
- Longhorn (our default)
- NFS
- CephFS
- AWSElasticBlockStore
- Azure Disk
- GCEPersistentDisk

PersistentVolume Example_

Created by an administrator.

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: PersistentVolume
metadata:
name: pv0003
spec:
capacity:
storage: 100Mi
volumeMode: Filesystem
accessModes:
- ReadWriteOnce
persistentVolumeReclaimPolicy: Delete
storageClassName: longhorn
```

A **storage class** helps an administrator to describe the storage he offers. Examples could be ssd or high-redundant-but-slow.

PersistentVolumeClaim Example_

Created by yourself alongside with your application.

```
kind: PersistentVolumeClaim
apiVersion: v1
metadata:
name: demo-app-pvc
spec:
accessModes:
- ReadWriteOnce
volumeMode: Filesystem
resources:
requests:
storage: 100Mi
storageClassName: longhorn
```

Use Claims as Volumes_

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: Deployment
spec:
# ...
 template:
  # ...
  spec:
   securityContext:
    fsGroup: 1001
   containers:
   - name: demo-app
    # ...
    volumeMounts:
    - mountPath: "/opt/data"
     name: data
   volumes:
   - name: data
    persistentVolumeClaim:
     claimName: demo-app-pvc
```

PersistentVolumeClaim_

```
cd 09_backup_material/persistence
# deploy failing pvc-deployment
kubectl apply -f deployment-w-pvc.yaml
# see if it's working
kubectl describe pod demo-app-deployment-xxxxxxxxxxyyyyy
# delete deployment and pvc
kubectl delete -f deployment-w-pvc.yaml
```

Let's see what happened_

- 1 Volume for 3 Replicas? ReadWriteMany needed for scaling
- Volumes get deleted if PersistentVolumeClaim gets deleted!
- Common, but (bad) confusing practice to use together with Deployments
 - Even official MySQL Kubernetes charts use deployments
- Wasn't there the thing about StatefulSets for stateful applications?

StatefulSets_

Regarding volumes:

- You can define a property volumeClaimTemplates
- Each replica gets it's own PVC
- Volumes don't get deleted if you delete your StatefulSet
- Much easier to manage Pods with their PVC (especially when scaling)

StatefulSets in General

- Provide a persistent pod identifier
- Ordered deployments
- Ordered updates
- Require a headless service

StatefulSet Example_

```
kind: StatefulSet
# ...
spec:
 # ...
 template:
  # ...
  spec:
   containers:
   - name: demo-app
    image: ingenhaag/demo-app:latest
    volumeMounts:
    - name: data
     mountPath: /opt/data
 volumeClaimTemplates:
 - metadata:
   name: data
  spec:
   accessModes: [ "ReadWriteOnce" ]
   storageClassName: "longhorn"
   resources:
    requests:
     storage: 100Mi
```

StatefulSets with Volumes_

Task

- Create a StatefulSet as a copy of former demo-app-deployment
- Delete and recrate Statefulset and check volume retention and reusage
- Scale up to 3 replicas and scale down back to 1 replica

HorizontalPodAutoscaler_

Cpu load based autoscaling_

```
apiVersion: autoscaling/v1
kind: HorizontalPodAutoscaler
metadata:
name: deployment-hpa
spec:
minReplicas: 2
maxReplicas: 5
targetCPUUtilizationPercentage: 80
scaleTargetRef:
apiVersion: v1
kind: Deployment
name: deplyoment-name
```

Watched load percentage refers to **requested** CPU!

Task_

Extend your java deployment with a hpa scaling up to 3 replicas

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```
# ...
annotations:
kubernetes.io/tls-acme: "true"
cert-manager.io/cluster-issuer: letsencrypt-prod # CRD created with certmanager
# ...
tls:
- hosts:
- christian.rancher-k8s.cronn.de # has to match with ingress hostname above
secretName: demo-app-tls # will be created by certmanager
```

Task_

Apply config to your java application ingress

see https://cert-manager.io/v1.1-docs/ for details

Security_

Pod Security Policies_

- Rule #1 Don't run as root VS Docker hub images
- Fine grained options
 - ReadOnlyFilesystem
 - Allows volume types
 - Linux capabilities Link

Network Policies_

- Ability to restrict cluster internal communication
- "Microservices should not be able to communicate with each other in an unrestricted way"
- Leveraged with services meshes like istio

Example - see Kubernetes docs