

MetalLB (L2 mode)

Basics

There are three frontends nodes and one worker in the cluster.



front-0



nginx-0

node-role:
front

front-1



nginx-1

node-role:
front

front-2



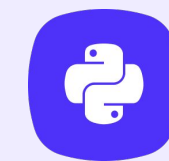
nginx-2

node-role:
front

worker-0



app-foo



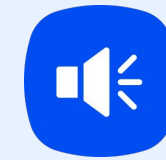
app-bar

```
apiVersion: metallb.io/v1beta1
kind: IPAddressPool
metadata:
  name: mypool
  namespace: metallb-system
spec:
  addresses:
  - 192.168.122.100/24
---
apiVersion: metallb.io/v1beta1
kind: L2Advertisement
metadata:
  name: l2-advert
  namespace: metallb-system
spec:
  ipAddressPools:
  - mypool
  nodeSelectors:
  - matchLabels:
      node-role: front
```

We turn on standard **MetalLB** in L2 mode.
Speaker is deployed on each frontend-node for address announcement.



front-0



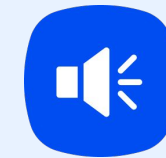
speaker



nginx-0

node-role:
front

front-1



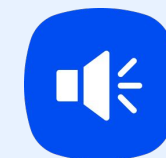
speaker



nginx-1

node-role:
front

front-2



speaker



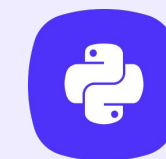
nginx-2

node-role:
front

worker-0



app-foo



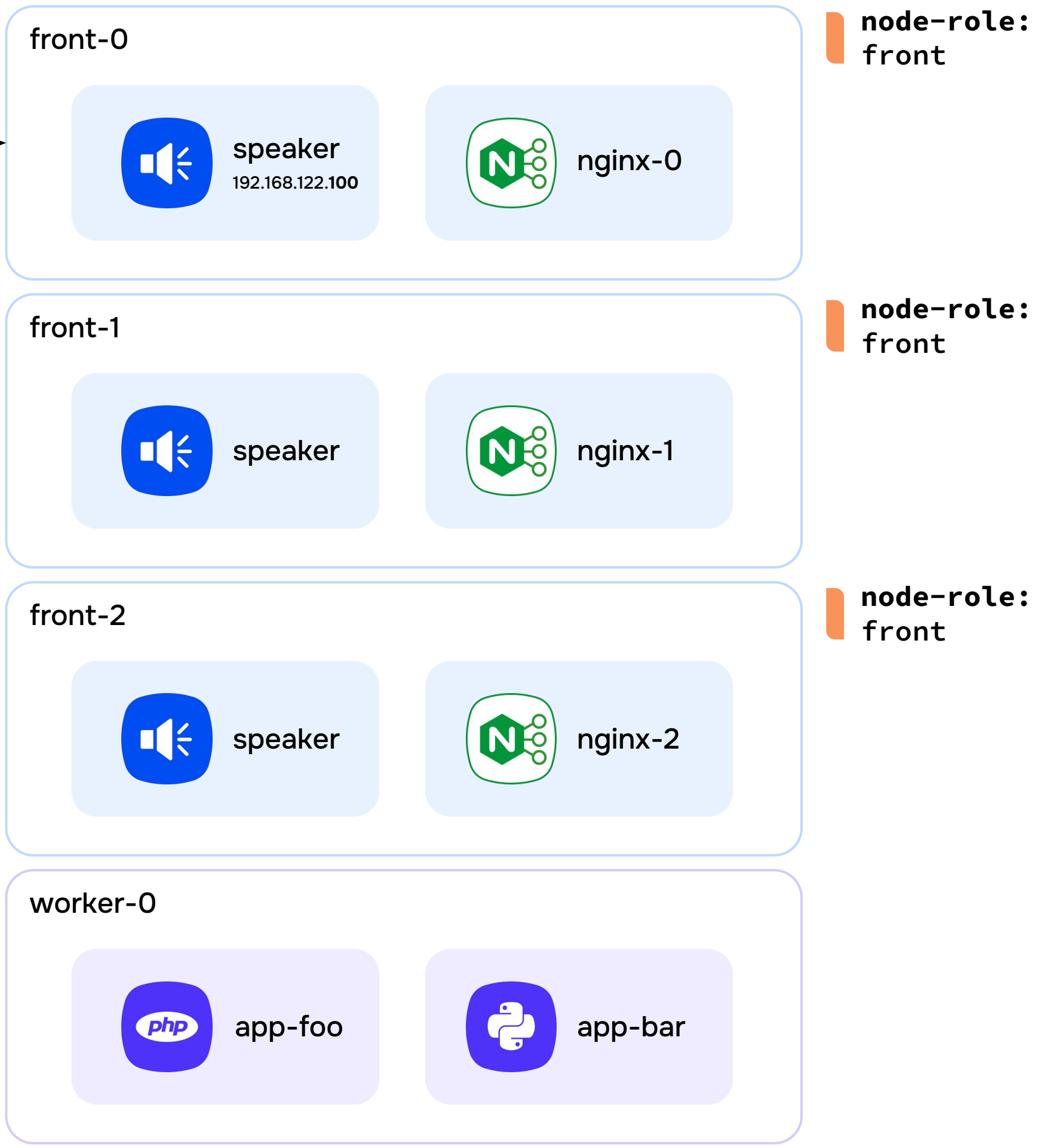
app-bar



app.example.com

A 192.168.122.100

A **Service** of type **LoadBalancer** has been created to serve the "nginx" frontend. The service has been allocated a "public" IP of **192.168.122.100**, which used in application DNS-name. The node **front-0** has been selected as the leader, and now it alone handles all requests.

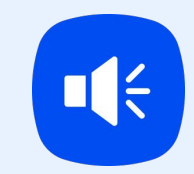




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front-0



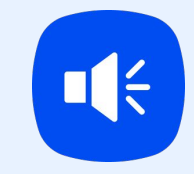
speaker
192.168.122.100



nginx-0

node-role:
front

front-1



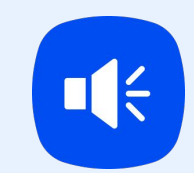
speaker



nginx-1

node-role:
front

front-2



speaker



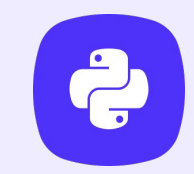
nginx-2

node-role:
front

worker-0




app-foo



app-bar

In the event of a failure of the nginx application on the leader node or of the node itself, all requests are interrupted...

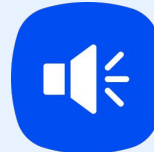


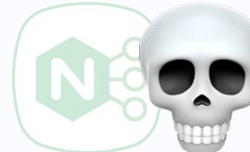


app.example.com
A 192.168.122.100



front-0

 speaker

 ngx-0

node-role:
front

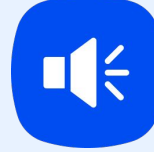
front-1


 speaker
192.168.122.100

 nginx-1

node-role:
front


front-2


 speaker

 nginx-2

node-role:
front

worker-0

 app-foo

 app-bar

...and a new leader node is elected.

