Minikube

Your own local Kubernetes Cluster

Lab 1 - Getting Started with Minikube

Objective:

- Deploy a sample application to Minikube using a test container image
- Run the app, view logs, access via LoadBalancer, and explore dashboard and addons

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1. Start Minikube

minikube start

2. Open the Dashboard (optional)

In a new terminal:

minikube dashboard

This opens the Kubernetes web UI and runs a proxy.

3. Create a Deployment

kubectl create deployment hello-node --image=registry.k8s.io/e2e-test-images/agnhost:2.39 -- /agnhost netexec --http-port=8080

Check deployment status:

kubectl get deployments
kubectl get pods

4. View Pod Logs

Get the pod name:

kubectl get pods

Then:

kubectl logs <your-pod-name>

You should see:

Started HTTP server on port 8080

5. Expose the Pod with a LoadBalancer Service

kubectl expose deployment hello-node --type=LoadBalancer --port=8080

Check the service:

kubectl get services

On Minikube, access the app using:

minikube service hello-node

6. View Cluster State and Config

kubectl get events
kubectl config view

7. Enable an Addon

minikube addons enable metrics-server kubectl get pod,svc -n kube-system kubectl top pods

8. Clean Up

kubectl delete service hello-node
kubectl delete deployment hello-node
minikube stop
Optional
minikube delete