

Lesson 04 Demo 13

Configuring Pods Using Liveness and Readiness Probes

Objective: To create and configure a pod using liveness probes to ensure the stability and reliability of the applications running inside the pod

Tools required: kubeadm, kubectl, kubelet, and containerd

Prerequisites: A Kubernetes cluster should already be set up (refer to the steps in Lesson 02, Demo 01 for guidance).

Steps to be followed:

1. Create a pod using the liveness probes
2. Describe the pod

Step 1: Create a pod using the liveness probes

1.1 On the master node, enter the command `vi exec-liveness.yaml` to create a YAML file

```
labsuser@master:~$ vi exec-liveness.yaml
```

1.2 Copy the following code in the YAML file:

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: Pod
metadata:
  labels:
    test: liveness
  name: liveness-exec
spec:
  containers:
  - name: liveness
    image: k8s.gcr.io/busybox
    args:
    - /bin/sh
    - -c
    - touch /tmp/healthy; sleep 30; rm -rf /tmp/healthy; sleep 600
  livenessProbe:
    exec:
      command:
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1.3 Create a pod by entering the command below:

kubectl create -f exec-liveness.yaml

```
labsuser@master:~$ kubectl create -f exec-liveness.yaml
pod/liveness-exec created
```

1.4 Enter the following command to get the pod status:

kubectl get pod

```
labsuser@master:~$ kubectl get pod
NAME                READY   STATUS    RESTARTS   AGE
liveness-exec       1/1     Running   0           17s
load-generator      1/1     Running   0           97m
php-apache-6b7499fb7c-759r5  1/1     Running   0          107m
```

Step 2: Describe the pod

2.1 Describe the pod by entering the following command:

kubectl describe pod liveness-exec

```
labsuser@master:~$ kubectl describe pod liveness-exec
Name:                liveness-exec
Namespace:           default
Priority:             0
Node:                worker1.example.com/172.31.7.117
Start Time:          Sat, 30 Apr 2022 12:59:20 +0000
Labels:              test=liveness
Annotations:          <none>
Status:              Running
IP:                  10.38.0.0
IPs:                 IP: 10.38.0.0
Containers:
  liveness:
    Container ID:      docker://301799aaa08c8a45dcad9e6737c45d7e25d1301eeb9b8c9e1552cddb0e5179fa
    Image:              k8s.gcr.io/busybox
    Image ID:           docker-pullable://k8s.gcr.io/busybox@sha256:d8d3bc2c183ed2f9f10e7258f84971202325ee6011ba137112e01e30f206de67
    Port:               <none>
    Host Port:          <none>
    Args:
      /bin/sh
      -c
      touch /tmp/healthy; sleep 30s; rm -rf /tmp/healthy; sleep 600
    State:              Waiting
      Reason:            CrashLoopBackOff
    Last State:          Terminated
      Reason:            Error
      Exit Code:          137
      Started:            Sat, 30 Apr 2022 13:05:35 +0000
      Finished:           Sat, 30 Apr 2022 13:06:50 +0000
    Ready:              False
    Restart Count:       5
    Liveness:            exec [cat /tmp/healthy] delay=5s timeout=1s period=5s #success=1 #failure=3
    Environment:         <none>
    Mounts:
      /var/run/secrets/kubernetes.io/serviceaccount from kube-api-access-hrgbq (ro)
```

By following these steps, you have successfully created and configured a pod using liveness probes.