

# Lesson 02 Demo 02 Demonstrating Crictl Commands

**Objective:** To demonstrate the usage of crictl commands for performing container runtime operations

Tools required: kubeadm, kubectl, kubelet, and containerd

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

Steps to be followed:

1. Configure and manage container runtime environment

## Step 1: Configure and manage container runtime environment

1.1 Set up the environment and check the version of the container runtime using the following commands:

sudo su

crictl config \

- --set runtime-endpoint=unix:///run/containerd/containerd.sock \
- --set image-endpoint=unix:///run/containerd/containerd.sock crictl version

```
labsuser@master:~$ sudo su
root@master:/home/labsuser# crictl config \
> --set runtime-endpoint=unix://run/containerd/containerd.sock
> --set image-endpoint=unix://run/containerd/containerd.sock
root@master:/home/labsuser# crictl version

Version: 0.1.0
RuntimeName: containerd
RuntimeVersion: v1.6.8
RuntimeApiVersion: v1
root@master:/home/labsuser#
```

**Note**: Here, the command **crictl config** is used to configure the environment for using the container runtime endpoint and image endpoint provided by Containerd.



1.2 List and view the information of the pod in the container runtime environment using the following command:

## crictl pods



1.3 Retrieve images to view available container images in the runtime environment using the following command:

### crictl images

root@master:/home/labsuser# crictl images	5		
IMAGE	TAG	IMAGE ID	SIZE
docker.io/calico/cni	v3.26.1	9dee260ef7f59	93.4MB
docker.io/calico/kube-controllers	v3.26.1	1919f2787fa70	32.8MB
docker.io/calico/node	v3.26.1	8065b798a4d67	86.6MB
k8s.gcr.io/kube-scheduler	v1.20.11	4c5693dacb42b	14.2MB
k8s.gcr.io/pause	3.6	6270bb605e12e	302kB
registry.k8s.io/coredns/coredns	v1.10.1	ead0a4a53df89	16.2MB
registry.k8s.io/etcd	3.5.9-0	73deb9a3f7025	103MB
registry.k8s.io/kube-apiserver	v1.28.2	cdcab12b2dd16	34.7MB
registry.k8s.io/kube-controller-manager	v1.28.2	55f13c92defb1	33.4MB
registry.k8s.io/kube-proxy	v1.28.2	c120fed2beb84	24.6MB
registry.k8s.io/kube-scheduler	v1.28.2	7a5d9d67a13f6	18.8MB
registry.k8s.io/pause	3.8	4873874c08efc	311kB
registry.k8s.io/pause	3.9	e6f1816883972	322kB
root@master:/home/labsuser# [	I		



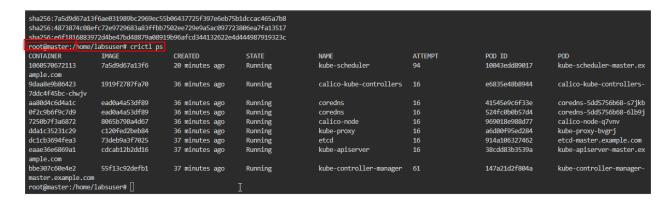
1.4 Obtain a simplified list of **IMAGE ID** for the available container images in the runtime environment using the following command:

#### crictl images -q

registry.k8s.io/kube-proxy	v1.28.2	c120fed2beb84	24.6MB						
registry.k8s.io/kube-scheduler	v1.28.2	7a5d9d67a13f6	18.8MB						
registry.k8s.io/pause	3.8	4873874c08efc	311kB						
registry.k8s.io/pause	3.9	e6f1816883972	322kB						
root@master:/home/labsuser# crictl images -q									
sha256:9dee260ef7f5990aaf6e8f6767b767366c27a6abbf79ba8dba45ff3290bd5de0									
sha256:1919f2787fa7098a4c0dec514cf385f90a79c9f6c5effecda570fa3b8c771a3d									
sha256:8065b798a4d6729605e3706c202db657bfbcb8109127ece6af5bfb6da106adb7									
sha256:4c5693dacb42b96f0960996774013048a68ea67790f9066bc6aa490e2b40a499									
sha256:6270bb605e12e581514ada5fd5b3216f727db55dc87d5889c790e4c760683fee									
sha256:ead0a4a53df89fd173874b46093b6e62d8c72967bbf606d672c9e8c9b601a4fc									
sha256:73deb9a3f702532592a4167455f8bf2e5f5d900bcc959ba2fd2d35c321de1af9									
sha256:cdcab12b2dd16cce4efc5dd43c082469364f19ad978e922d110b74a42eff7cce									
sha256:55f13c92defb1eb854040a76e366da866bdcb1cc31fd97b2cde94433c8bf3f57									
sha256:c120fed2beb84b861c2382ce81ab046c0ae612e91264ef7c9e61df5900fa0bb0									
sha256:7a5d9d67a13f6ae031989bc2969ec55b06	437725f397e6eb75b1dc	cac465a7b8							
sha256:4873874c08efc72e9729683a83ffbb7502	ee729e9a5ac097723806	iea7fa13517							
sha256:e6f1816883972d4be47bd48879a08919b9	6afcd344132622e4d444	987919323c							
root@master:/home/labsuser#									

1.5 List and view active containers in the runtime environment using the following command:

#### crictl ps



Note: Copy any container ID from the list of the container as shown in the above screenshot



1.6 Retrieve all the active and inactive containers in the runtime environment using the following command:

#### crictl ps -a

root@master:/home/labsuser# crictl ps -a									
CONTAINER	IMAGE	CREATED	STATE	NAME	ATTEMPT	POD ID	POD		
cfccfaf716504	4c5693dacb42b	About a minute ago	Exited	lab-scheduler	764	a9fab6d223aba	lab-scheduler-master.ex		
ample.com									
1060570672113	7a5d9d67a13f6	22 minutes ago	Running	kube-scheduler	94	10043edd89017	kube-scheduler-master.e		
xample.com									
3f9cb60d634bb	7a5d9d67a13f6	27 minutes ago	Exited	kube-scheduler		10043edd89017	kube-scheduler-master.e		
xample.com									
9daa8e9b86423	1919f2787fa70	37 minutes ago	Running	calico-kube-controllers	16	e6835e48b8944	calico-kube-controllers		
-7ddc4f45bc-chwjv									
aa80d4c6d4a1c	ead0a4a53df89	37 minutes ago	Running	coredns	16	41545e9c6f33e	coredns-5dd5756b68-s7jk		
b									
0f2c9b6f9c7d9	ead0a4a53df89	37 minutes ago	Running	coredns	16	524fc0b0b57d4	coredns-5dd5756b68-61b9		
j									
7250b7f3a6872	8065b798a4d67	37 minutes ago	Running	calico-node	16	969018e988d77	calico-node-q7vnv		
53470b477c02b	8065b798a4d67	37 minutes ago	Exited	mount-bpffs		969018e988d77	calico-node-q7vnv		
f05b353140905	9dee260ef7f59	38 minutes ago	Exited	install-cni		969018e988d77	calico-node-q7vnv		
dda1c35231c29	c120fed2beb84	38 minutes ago	Running	kube-proxy	16	a6d80f95ed284	kube-proxy-bvgrj		
dab071938ebd2	9dee260ef7f59	38 minutes ago	Exited	upgrade-ipam		969018e988d77	calico-node-q7vnv		

1.7 Access and view container logs for a specific container using the following command: crictl logs <container-ID>

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root@master:/home/labsuser# crictl logs 1060570672113
I1027 03:54:23.127045
                                                                            1 serving.go:348] Generated self-signed cert in-memory
1 server.go:154] "Starting Kubernetes Scheduler" version="v1.28.2"
1 server.go:156] "Golang settings" GOGC="" GOMAXPROCS="" GOTRACEBACK=""
I1027 03:54:23.904608
I1027 03:54:23.904813
                                                                            1 requestheader_controller.go:169] Starting RequestHeaderAuthRequestController
1 secure_serving.go:210] Serving securely on 127.0.0.1:10259
1 shared_informer.go:311] Waiting for caches to sync for RequestHeaderAuthRequestController
I1027 03:54:23.920363
I1027 03:54:23.920732
I1027 03:54:23.920933
                                                                            1 tlsconfig.go:240] "Starting DynamicServingCertificateController"
1 configmap_cafile_content.go:202] "Starting controller" name="client-ca::kube-system::extension-apiserver-authentication::client-ca-file"
1 shared_informer.go:311] Waiting for caches to sync for client-ca::kube-system::extension-apiserver-authentication::client-ca-file
I1027 03:54:23.921683
I1027 03:54:23.922062
I1027 03:54:23.922122
                                                                             1 configmap_cafile_content.go:202] "Starting controller" name="client-ca::kube-system::extension-apiserver-authentication::requestheader-client-ca::kube-system::extension-apiserver-authentication::requestheader-client-ca::kube-system::extension-apiserver-authentication::requestheader-client-ca::kube-system::extension-apiserver-authentication::requestheader-client-ca::kube-system::extension-apiserver-authentication::requestheader-client-ca::kube-system::extension-apiserver-authentication::requestheader-client-ca::kube-system::extension-apiserver-authentication::requestheader-client-ca::kube-system::extension-apiserver-authentication::requestheader-client-ca::kube-system::extension-apiserver-authentication::requestheader-client-ca::kube-system::extension-apiserver-authentication::requestheader-client-ca::kube-system::extension-apiserver-authentication::requestheader-client-ca::kube-system::extension-apiserver-authentication::requestheader-client-ca::kube-system::extension-apiserver-authentication::requestheader-client-ca::kube-system::extension-apiserver-authentication::requestheader-client-ca::kube-system::extension-apiserver-authentication::requestheader-client-ca::kube-system::extension-apiserver-authentication::requestheader-client-ca::kube-system::extension-apiserver-authentication::requestheader-client-ca::kube-system::extension-apiserver-authentication::requestheader-ca::kube-system::extension-apiser-authentication::requestheader-ca::kube-system::requestheader-ca::kube-system::extension-apiser-authentication::requestheader-ca::kube-system::requestheader-ca::kube-system::requestheader-ca::kube-system::requestheader-ca::kube-system::requestheader-ca::kube-system::requestheader-ca::kube-system::requestheader-ca::kube-system::requestheader-ca::kube-system::requestheader-ca::kube-system::requestheader-ca::kube-system::requestheader-ca::kube-system::requestheader-ca::kube-system::requestheader-ca::kube-system::requestheader-ca::kube-system::requestheader-ca::kube-system::requestheader-ca::kube-system::requesthea
t-ca-file"
                                                                             1 shared_informer.go:311] Waiting for caches to sync for client-ca::kube-system::extension-apiserver-authentication::requestheader-client-ca-
I1027 03:54:24.022038
                                                                            1 leaderelection.go:250] attempting to acquire leader lease kube-system/kube-scheduler...
                                                                              1 shared_informer.go:318] Caches are synced for client-ca::kube-system::extension-apiserver-authentication::requestheader-client-ca-file
                                                                              1 shared_informer.go:318] Caches are synced for RequestHeaderAuthRequestController
1 shared_informer.go:318] Caches are synced for client-ca::kube-system::extension-apiserver-authentication::client-ca-file
I1027 03:54:24.022601
I1027 03:54:24.022773
                                                                               1 leaderelection.go:260] successfully acquired lease kube-system/kube-scheduler
```

**Note:** Replace the **<container-ID>** with the ID of the container which you copied in the step **1.5** 

1.8 Retrieve the latest log entry for a specific container using the following command: crictl logs --tail=1 <container-ID>

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11027 03:54:24.022773

1 shared_informer.go:318] Caches are synced for client-ca::kube-system::extension-apiserver-authentication::client-ca-file
11027 03:54:39.770168

1 leaderelection.go:260] successfully acquired lease kube-system/kube-scheduler
root@master:/home/labsuser# crictl logs --tail=1 100570672113
11027 03:54:39.770168

1 leaderelection.go:260] successfully acquired lease kube-system/kube-scheduler
root@master:/home/labsuser# []
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**Note:** Replace the **<container-ID>** with the ID of the container which you copied in the step **1.5** 

By following these steps, you have successfully demonstrated the effective use of crictl commands for performing container runtime operations.