

Installing Funktion

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To use **funktion** you will need a [kubernetes](#) or [openshift](#) cluster.

If you are on your laptop a quick way to get a kubernetes cluster is by [installing and starting minikube](#) and then [installing kubectl](#) and putting it on your **PATH** environment variable.

To test your kubernetes cluster type the following commands which should succeed without error:

```
kubectl get node  
kubectl get pod
```

Install the funktion binary

You will also need to [download the funktion binary for your platform](#) and add it to your **PATH** environment variable.

You can test its installed by typing the following in a command shell

```
funktion version
```

The funktion binary is self updating so you can upgrade your binary to newer versions if they are available via the following command:

```
funktion update
```

Installing the Funktion Platform

To install the funktion platform into your current kubernetes namespace:

```
funktion install platform
```

You can watch the funktion operator pod start via:

```
kubectl get pod -w
```

Using Funktion with the Fabric8 Developer Platform

If you are using the [fabric8 developer platform](#) then the [exposecontroller](#) and [configmapcontroller](#) microservices will already be installed. So you don't need to install them again.

So to install the funktion operator just type:

```
funktion install operator
```

Add flow connectors

Once you have the platform installed you may wish to install some connectors. For example to install the timer and twitter connectors try:

```
funktion install connector timer twitter
```

That will install **timer** and **twitter** connectors so that you can use them inside flows.

To see a list of all the connectors available type:

```
funktion install connector --list
```

To install all the connectors type:

```
funktion install connector --all
```

Note that installing a connector just creates a kubernetes **ConfigMap** resource; no containers are created until you use the connector in a flow.