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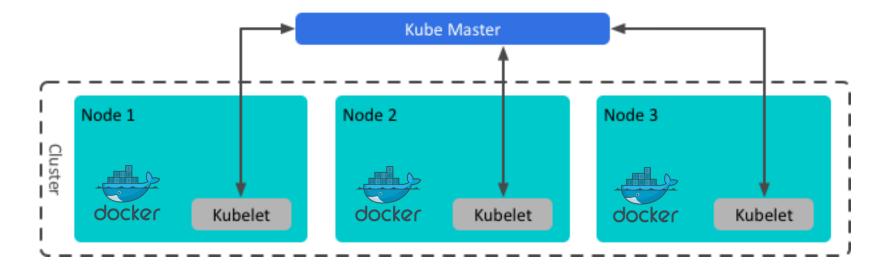
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## Kubernetes – Containers at scale



## Kubernetes: Containers at Scale

Kubernetes provides the infrastructure for container-centric deployment and operation of applications



- Request load balancing
- Application health checking
- Log access and resource monitoring

# History of Kubernetes

- Google adopted containers as an application deployment standard over a decade ago
  - Contributed cgroups to Linux kernel in 2007
- Google developed generations of container management systems, scaling to thousands of hosts per cluster
  - First was Borg, treated as a trade secret until 2015\*
  - Omega built on concepts of Borg, also Google-internal
  - Kubernetes inspired by observed needs of Google Cloud Platform customers, open source





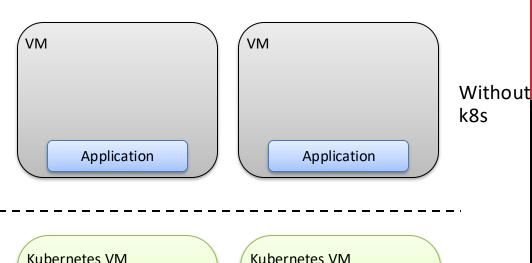
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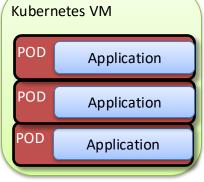


Original project name: Seven of Nine (the friendly Borg)

## Kubernetes: Google Cloud Platform

- After launch of Google Compute Engine, utilization of VM's by customers was observed to be very low
  - Running apps in whole VM's leading to stranded resources
- GCE itself already running on Borg, which solved utilization through efficient scheduling of containerized applications
- Google engineers pushed to found Kubernetes, as open source project
  - K8s available to GCE customers
  - Not tied to Google or GCP infrastructure





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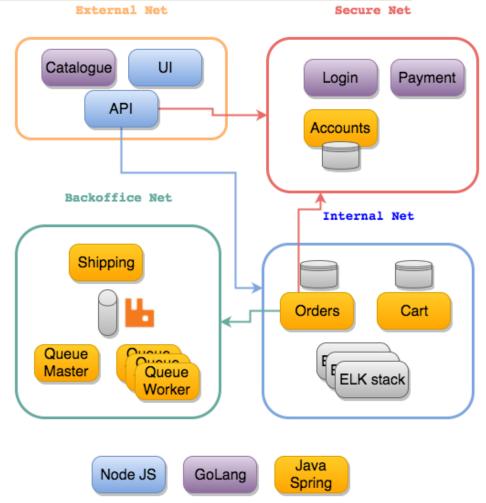
# **Kubernetes Use Cases**



## Kubernetes: Cloud-Native Application Deployment

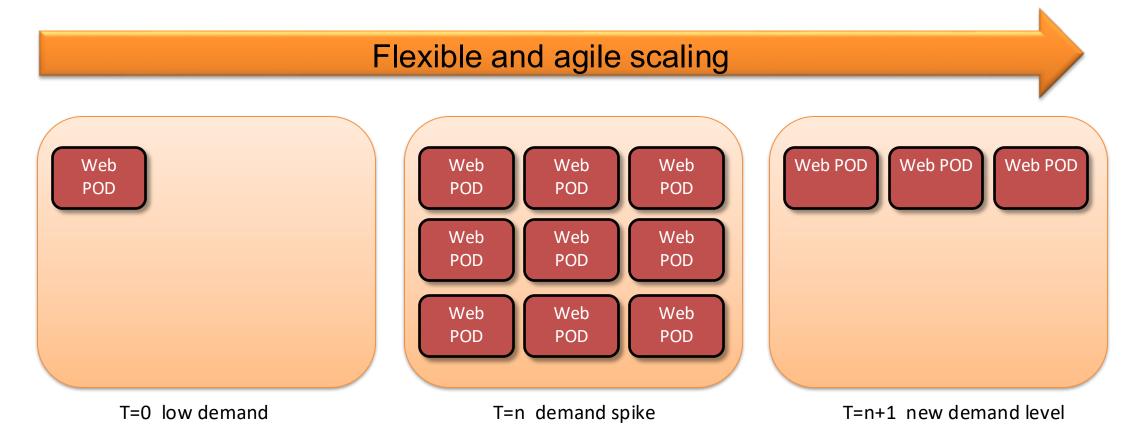
### Cloud-native applications, aka microservice-based or 12-factor apps

- Cloud-native applications are composed of small, independentlydeployable, loosely-coupled services
- Kubernetes makes it easy to deploy, update, and coordinate operations between multiple containerized service components
- Kubernetes project actively enhancing features to better support and manage stateful applications



## Kubernetes: Elastic Services

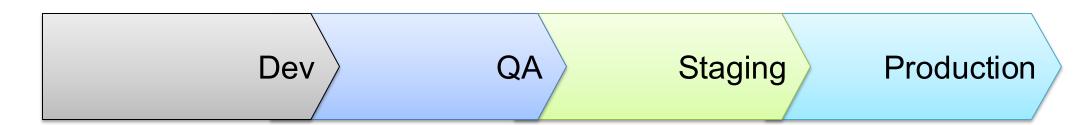
Kubernetes supports manual and automated scaling of application services based on demand for resources



## Kubernetes: CI/CD Pipelines

## Managing execution environments in a CI/CD pipeline

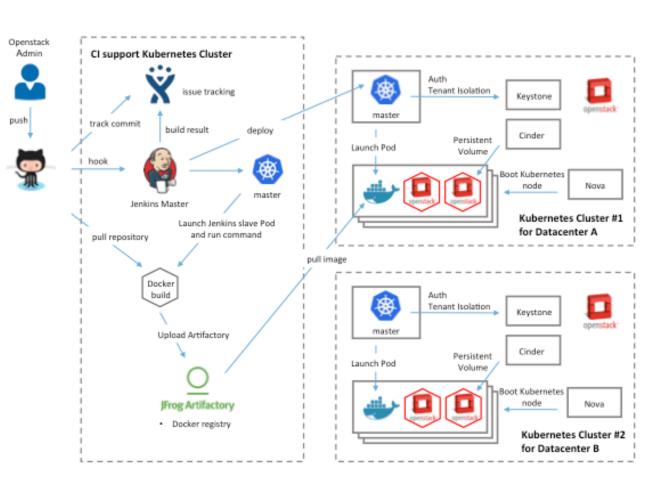
- Automated systems can push to logical environments in the same cluster, or to different clusters, using the same control plane API
- Kubernetes labels and annotations allow users to organize resources into separate environments without changing code or functionality
- Label selectors target specific sets of resources for control and exposure



## Example: Kubernetes CI in Production at Scale



- Built automated system to build and deploy containerized applications on Kubernetes
- Kubernetes clusters built from VM's in private OpenStack environments
  - 1,000 nodes
  - 42,000 Containers
  - ~2,500 Applications



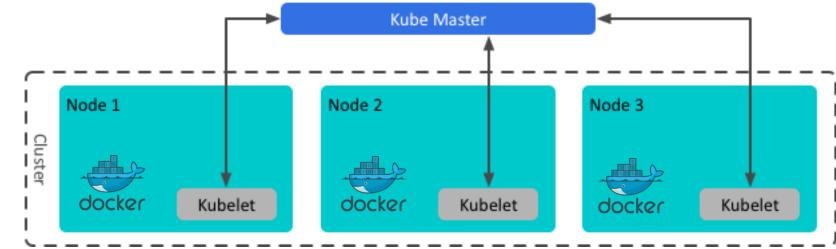
## **Overview of Kubernetes Clusters**



## Kubernetes: Cluster

- Kubernetes deployed on a set of physical or virtual hosts
  - K8s nodes
- Hosts run host OS that supports Linux containers, e.g.
   Docker or rkt hosts
- Kubernetes runs well in both private and public laaS environments

Users and admins control Kubernetes resources via REST
 API on K8s master



## Kubernetes Components: Control Plane

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#### **Control Plane/Leader nodes:**

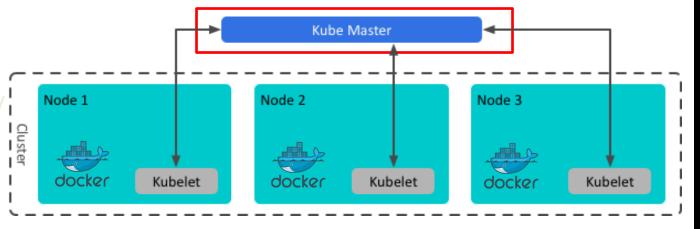
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- Run user workloads as directed by the K8s master
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# as a worker nodes

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# Node 1 Node 2 Node 3 Ocker Kubelet Node 3 Node 3

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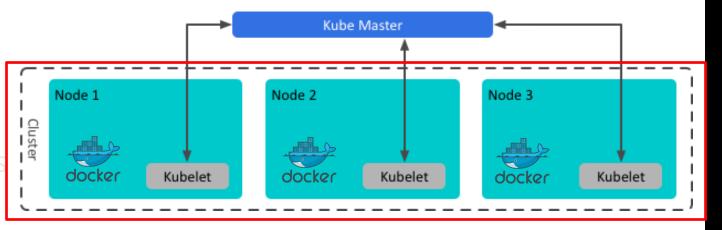
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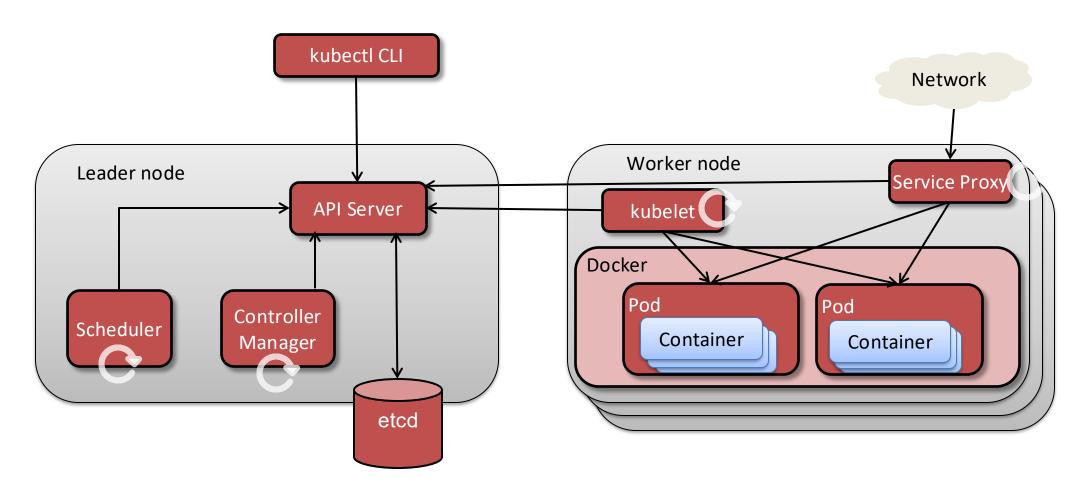
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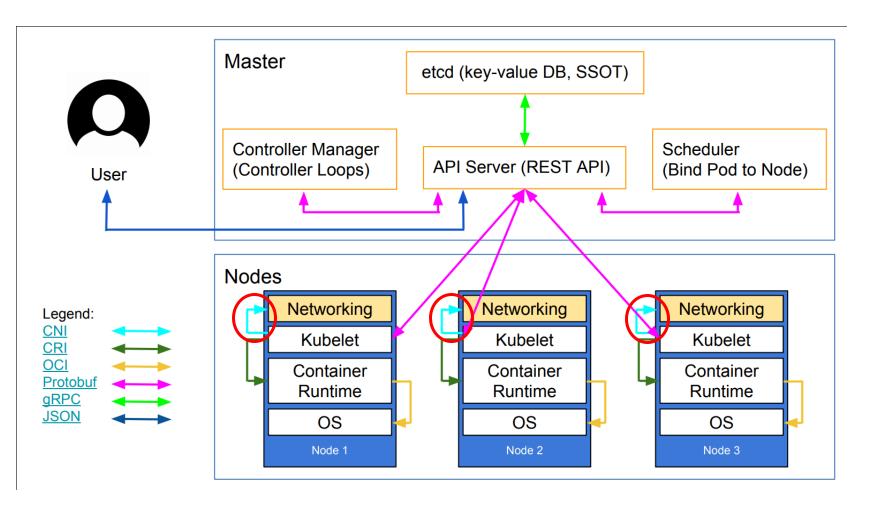




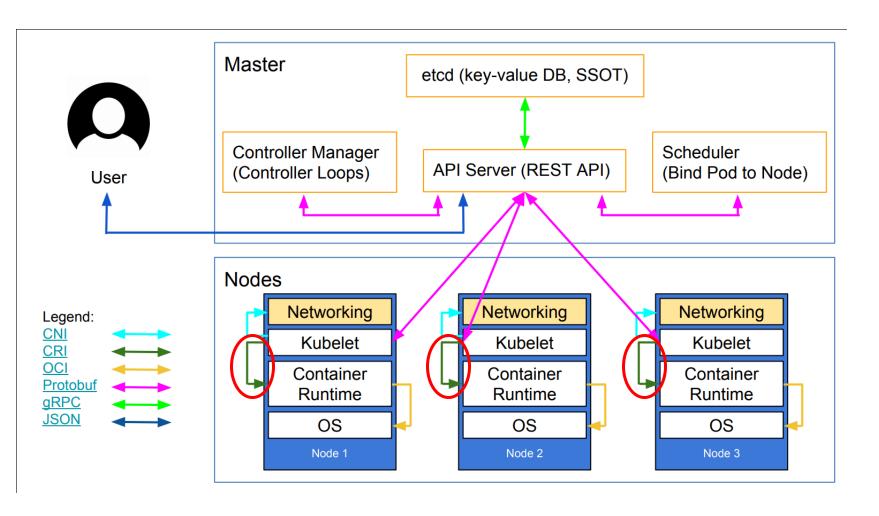
## Kubernetes Cluster Architecture

 Kubernetes nodes can be physical hosts or VM's running a container-friendly Linux kernel

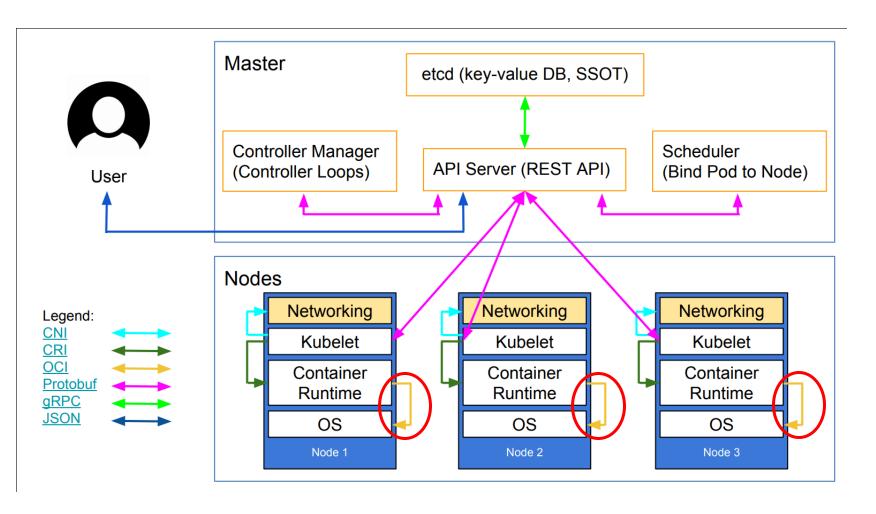




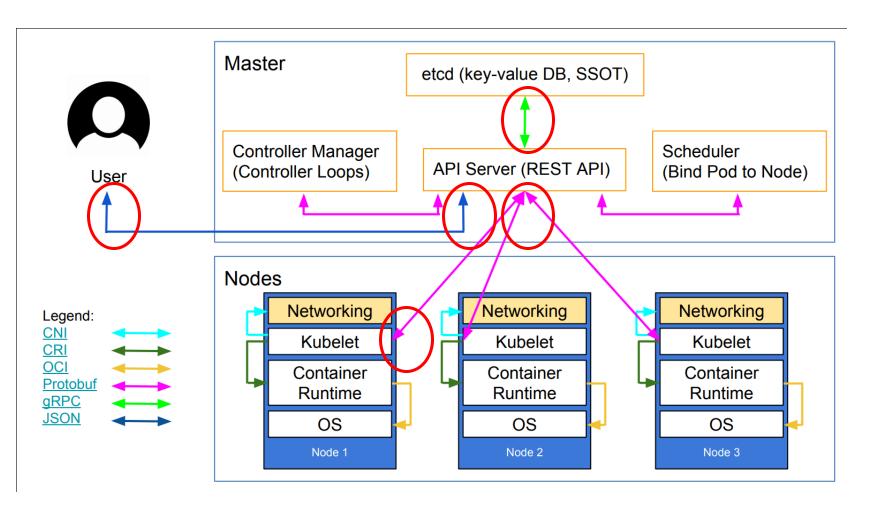
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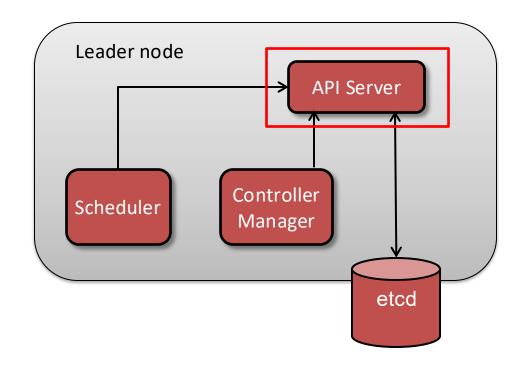


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# **Kubernetes Objects and Resources**



# Kubernetes API Objects and Resources

- Objects are the persistent entities that users manage via the Kubernetes API
  - Objects track what's running and where, available system resources, and behavioral policies, e.g.

#### Workloads

- Pod (run)
- Service (expose)

#### Configuration

- Secret
- ConfigMap

#### Controllers

- ReplicaSet
- Deployment
- StatefulSet
- DaemonSet
- Jobs / Cron Jobs

#### Workload Persistent Storage

- PersistentVolume
- PersistentVolumeClaim

#### **Cluster Resources**

- Node
- Namespace
- Cluster

#### **Network Resources**

- Ingress
- NetworkPolicy

## Kubernetes Resource Properties

- Every Kubernetes object has
  - apiVersion: object schema version
  - **kind**: type of resource
  - metadata: resource name and labels
  - **spec:** description of object's desired state
- Kubernetes will actively manage the state of an object to match its spec
  - spec is a 'record of intent'
- Object status is description of current state of the object as known to K8s

```
apiVersion: v1
                   # schema version
kind: Pod
                   # type of object
metadata:
                   # object name
  name: nginx
  labels:
                   # user-defined labels
    app: website
    tier: frontend
                   # object spec values
spec:
    containers:
    - image: nginx:1.7.9
      name: nginx
      ports:
      - containerPort: 80
```

# **API Versioning**

Alpha/Experimental

Alpha

v1alpha1

Early Release

Disabled by Default

For Testing Only

**Breaking Changes** 

Beta

v1beta1

Thoroughly Tested

Considered Stable (test)

More Stable

Feedback Encouraged

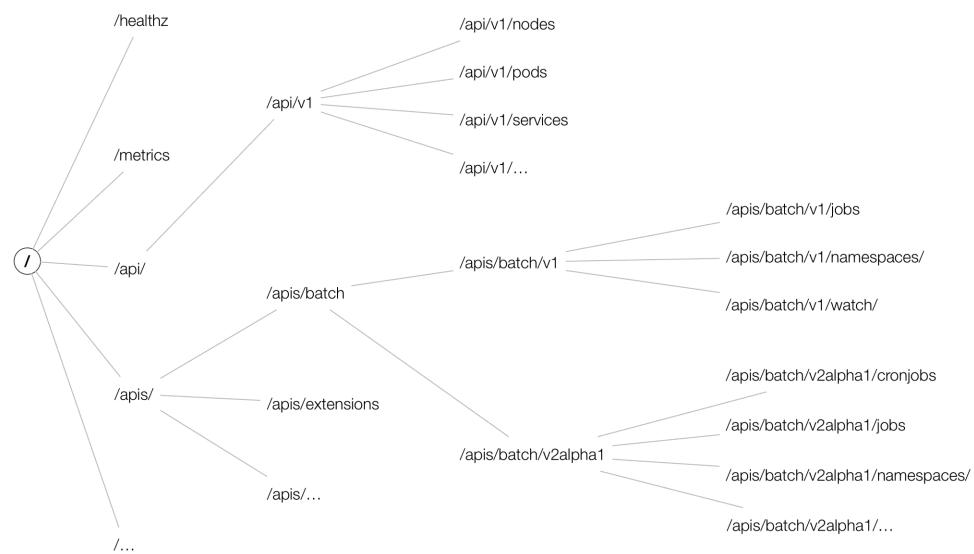
Stable

v1

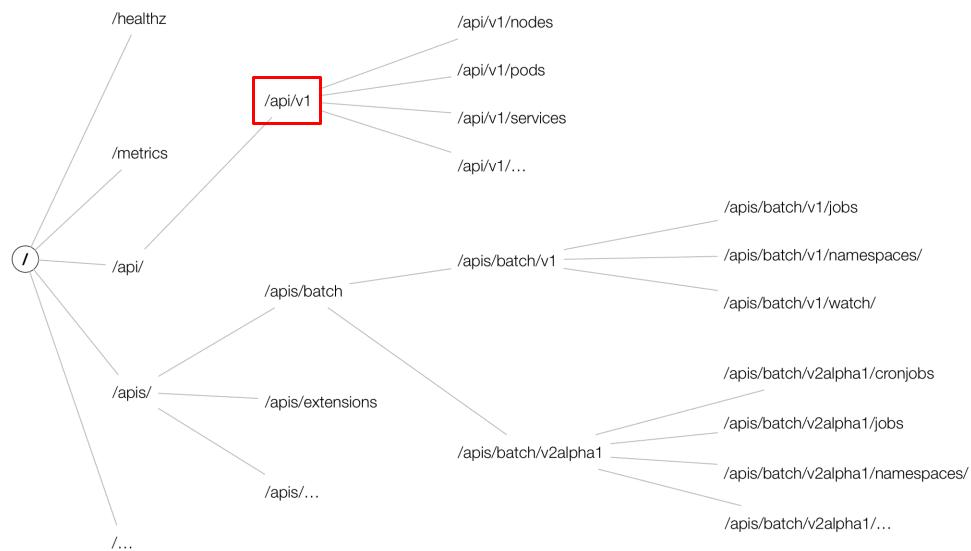
**Backwards Compatible** 

**Production Ready** 

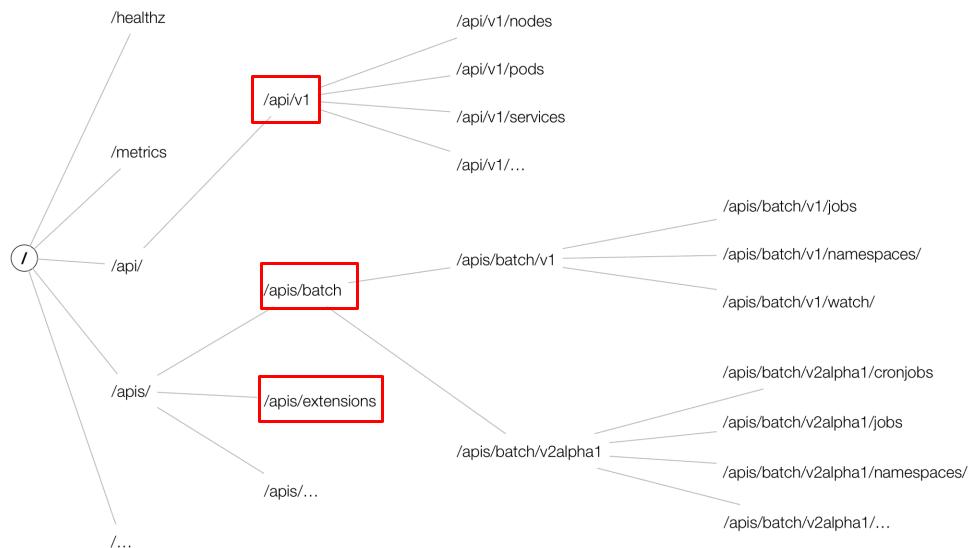
## API



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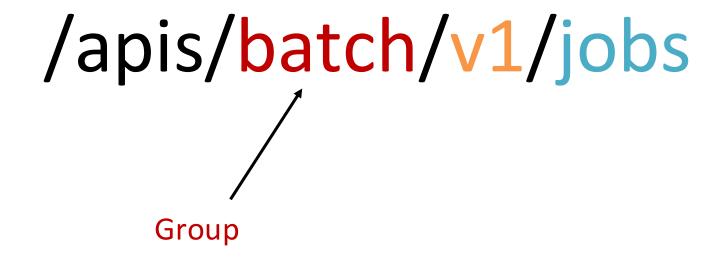


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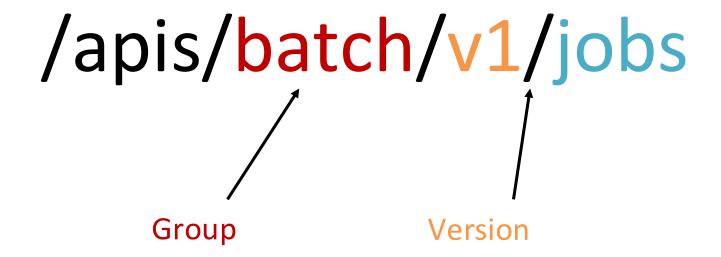
## **API** Group

- Collection of Kinds that are logically related
  - Job, ScheduledJob in batch API Group



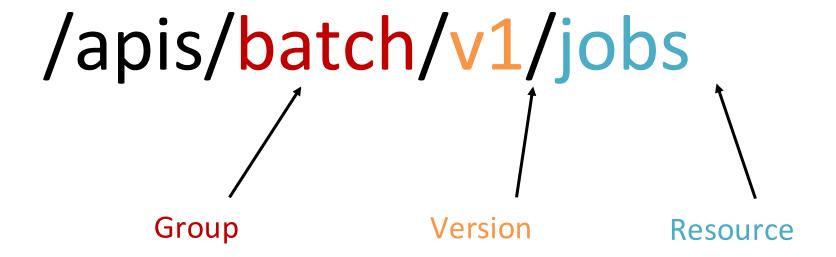
## **API Version**

- Each API Group can be part of multiple versions
  - v1alpha1 -> v1beta1 -> v1

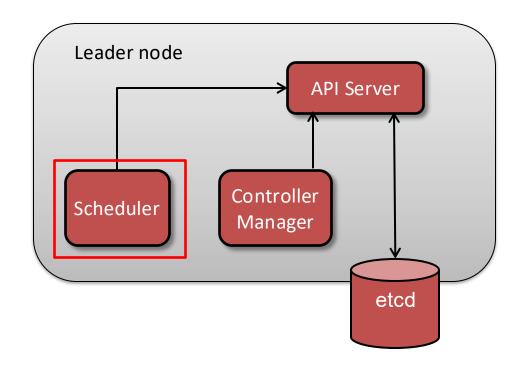


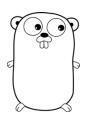
## **API** Resource

 System entity being manipulated as JSON over HTTP



## Kubernetes Control Plane/Leader Components

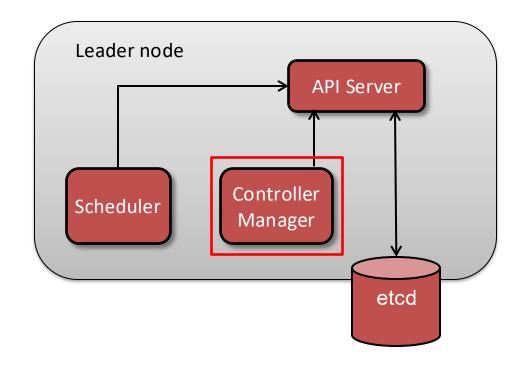




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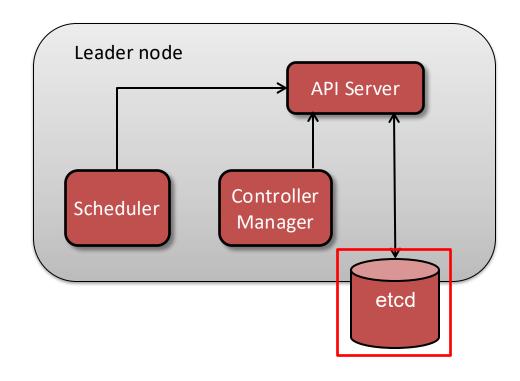




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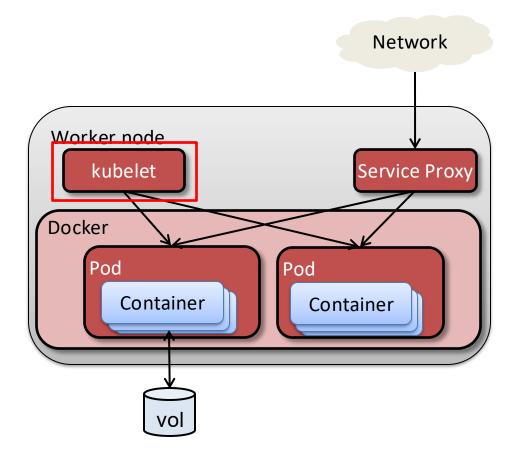


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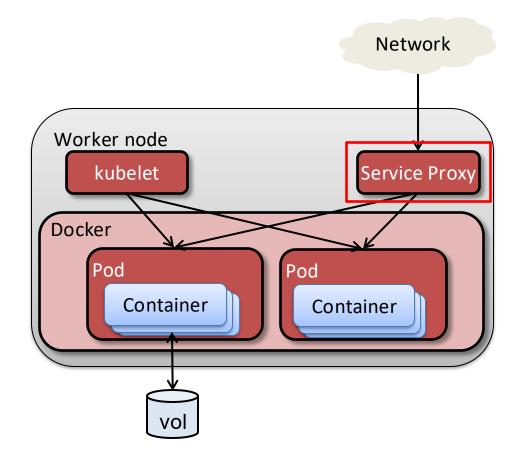
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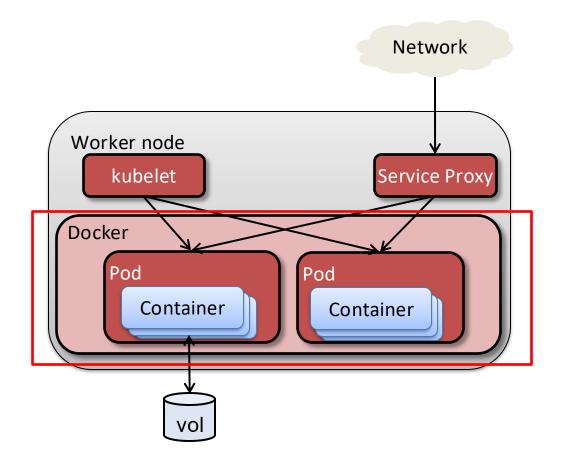
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## **Kubernetes Pods**

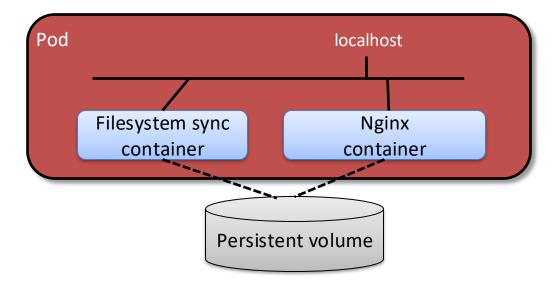


#### What is a Kubernetes Pod?

#### Kubernetes design intention: Pod == application instance

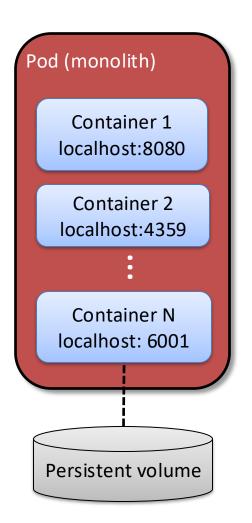
- Basic unit of deployment is the pod, a set of co-scheduled containers and shared resources
- Pods can include more than one container, for tightly-coupled application components, e.g.
  - Sidecar containers : nginx + filesystem synchronizer to update www from git
  - Content adapter: transform data to common output standard
- Containers in a pod share network namespaces and mounted volumes





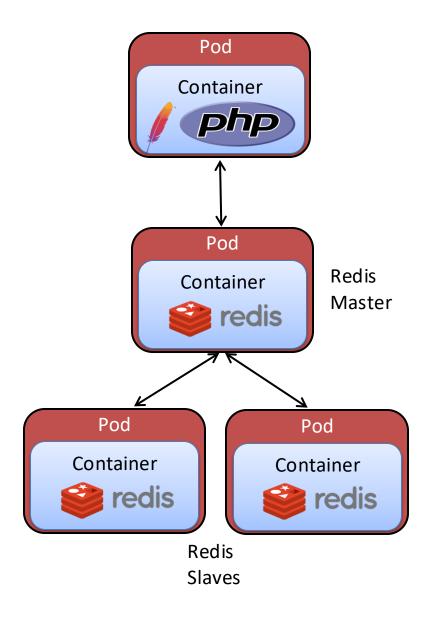
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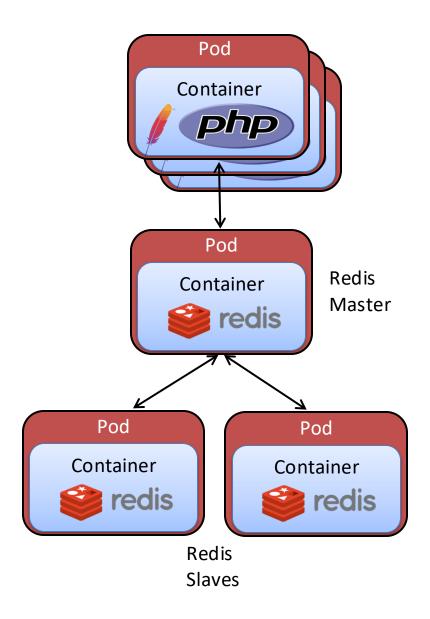
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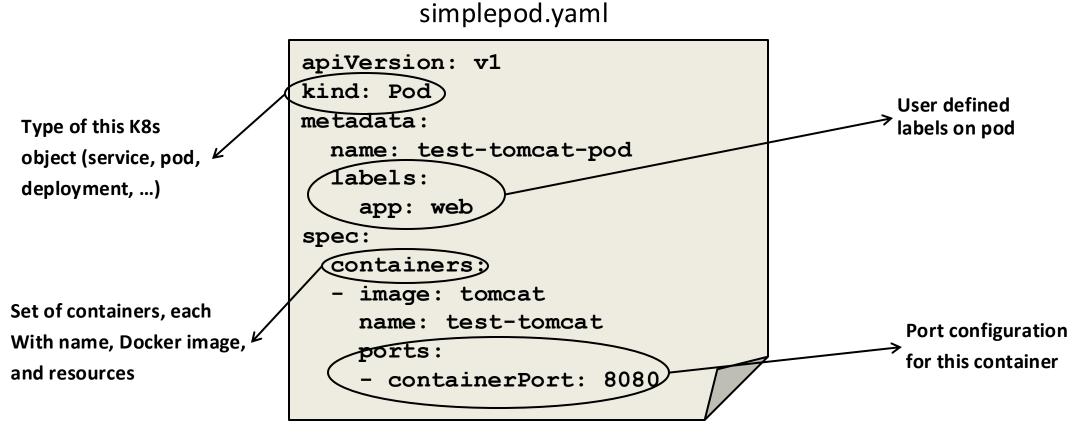
#### Defining a Pod via a Manifest File

Like other K8s objects, pods can be defined in YAML or JSON files

- K8s API accepts object definitions in JSON, but manifests often in YAML
- YAML format used by a variety of other tools, e.g. Docker Compose, Ansible, etc.
- kind field value is 'Pod'
- metadata includes
  - name to assign to pod
  - label values
- spec includes specifics of container images, ports, and other resources

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: Pod
metadata:
  name: test-tomcat-pod
  labels:
    app: web
spec:
  containers:
    image: tomcat
    name: test-tomcat
    ports:
    - containerPort: 8080
```

# Looking at a Pod Manifest File



Configuration options similar to creating Docker container directly

## Defining a Pod with Multiple Containers

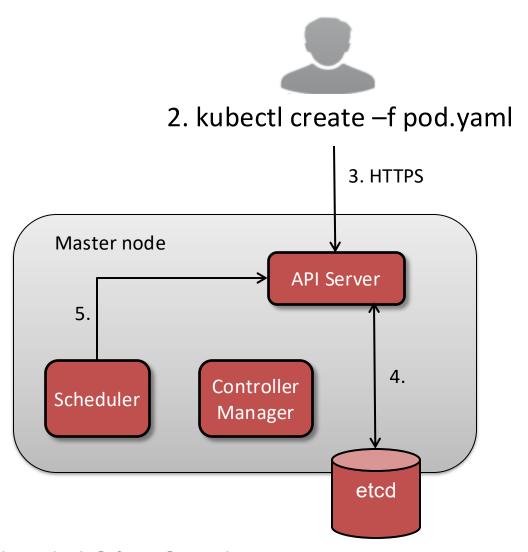
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apiVersion: v1
kind: Pod
metadata:
  name: test-tomcat-pod
spec:
  containers:
                                             multipod.yaml
  - image: tomcat
    name: test-tomcat
    ports:
    - containerPort: 8080
  - image: mysql
    name: test-mysql
    ports:
    - containerPort: 3306
```

- Pod spec can contain multiple containers from different images
- Containers in pod share local network context and cluster IP for pod

# Pod Creation and Management



#### **Pod Creation Process**



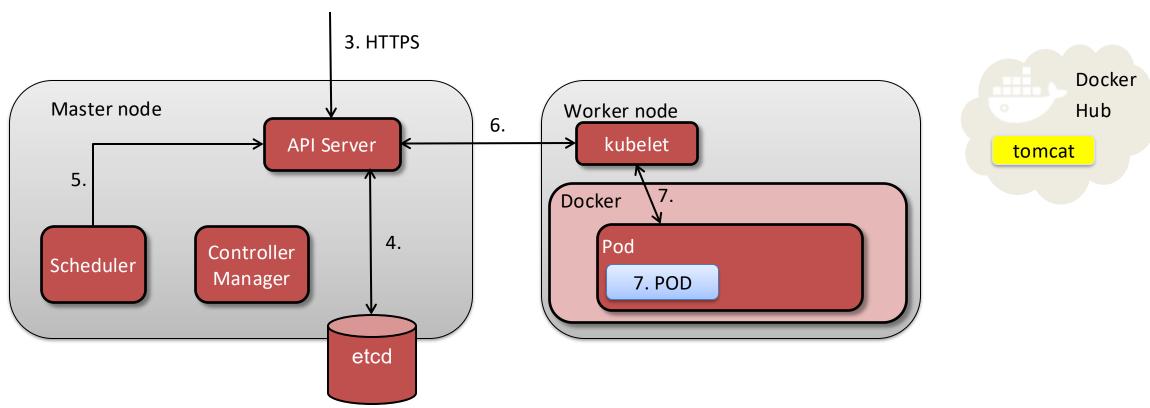
- 1. User writes a pod manifest file
- 2. User requests creation of pod from manifest via CLI
- 3. CLI tool marshals parameters into K8s RESTful API request (HTTP POST)
- 4. kube-apiserver creates new pod object record in etcd, with no node assignment
- 5. kube-scheduler notes new pod via API
  - a. Selects node for pod to run on
  - b. Updates pod record via API with node assignment

#### **Pod Creation Process**



2. kubectl create –f pod.yaml

- Kubelet on worker node notes new pod scheduled but not running
- 7. kubelet creates pod in local Docker using special POD container holding pod IP

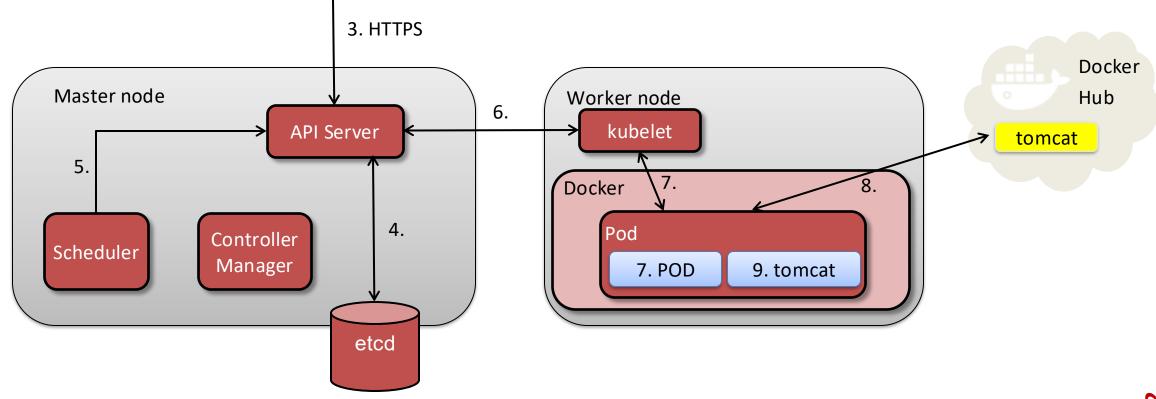


#### **Pod Creation Process**

- 8. Kubelet pulls Docker image(s) for pod workload containers
- 9. Container(s) started and running on worker node



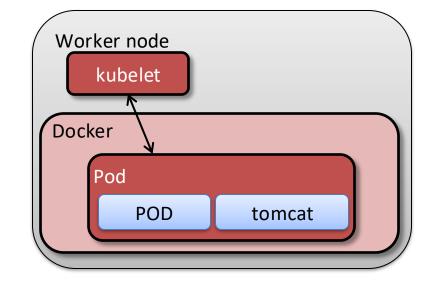
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### Pod Lifecycles

- By default, K8s Pods have an indefinite lifetime, which is not immortality
  - restartPolicy of Always by default
  - restartPolicy of Never or OnFailure also available for terminating jobs
- Node's kubelet will create and keep running containers for pods assigned to node, per the pod specs
- If a Pod container fails to start, or unexpectedly exits, kubelet will restart it
  - Can see container lifecycle events via 'kubectl describe pod <PODNAME>'
- If node is lost, its Pods are also lost K8s will not rebind Pods to another node

apiVersion: v1 kind: Pod metadata: name: test-tomcat-pod labels: app: web spec: containers: image: tomcat name: test-tomcat ports: - containerPort: 8080



## Modifying a Pod

#### Change the container version

- You can make changes to the desired state of a pod via updating the manifest file
- Changes can then be applied to the pod via the command
  - kubectl apply -f <manifest.yaml>
- Changing a container image as shown will result in K8s automatically killing and recreating the pod's workload container

```
$ vi simplepod.yaml
apiVersion: v1
kind: Pod
                           New image version
metadata:
  name: test-tomcat-pod
spec:
  containers:
  - image: tomcat:8.5.5
    name: test-tomcat
    ports:
    - containerPort: 8080
```

## Modifying a Pod

```
$ kubectl apply -f simplepod.yaml
pod "test-tomcat-pod" configured
$ kubectl describe pod test-tomcat-pod
                test-tomcat-pod
Name:
Namespace:
                default
Labels:
                tier=frontend
Status:
                Running
                                                       New version running
Containers:
  test-tomcat:
                         tomcat:8.5.5
    Image:
    Image ID:
    Port:
                         8080/TCP
                                 Running
    State:
• • •
```

# Labeling Pods

#### User-defined labels help organize K8s resources

- Labels are key/value pairs that users can assign and update on any K8s resources, including pods
- Other K8s objects, like controllers, use labels to select pods to govern
- Labels can also be used to filter data queries with kubectl, e.g.
  - kubectl get pods -l <label=value>
- Labels can be used to distinguish pods on any criteria, such as
  - Application, application tier, version, environment state, etc.
- K8s system does not require specific labels to be used all user-defined

# Labeling a Pod

```
$ kubectl label pod test-tomcat-pod tier=frontend
pod "test-tomcat-pod" labeled
$ kubectl describe pods test-tomcat-pod
      test-tomcat-pod
Name:
        tier=frontend
Labels:
$ kubectl get pods -1 tier=frontend
NAME
               READY
                        STATUS
                                 RESTARTS
                                           AGE
test-tomcat-pod 1/1 Running
                                           1d
```

# Reviewing Labels on Pods

#### Changing kubectl output

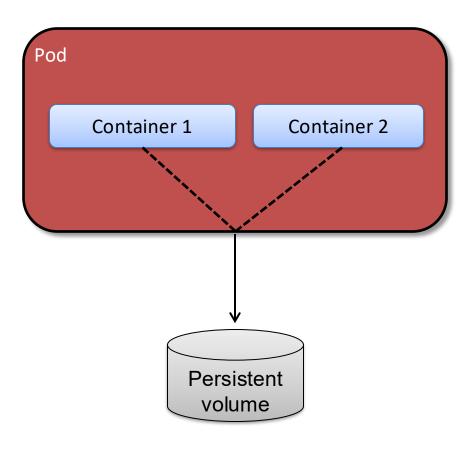
You can display pod labels via a flag on the kubectl command

```
$ kubectl get pods --show-labels
                       STATUS RESTARTS AGE
NAME
               READY
                                            LABELS
test-tomcat-pod 1/1 Running 1 1d tier=frontend
$ kubectl get pods --show-labels --namespace=kube-system
NAME
                             READY
                                       STATUS
                                                RESTARTS
                                                           AGE
                                                                     LABELS
kube-addon-manager-minikube 1/1
                                      Running
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                                                                     component=kube-addon-
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dns, version=v20
kubernetes-dashboard-kc9rk 1/1
                                       Running
                                                           8d
                                                                     app=kubernetes-
dashboard, kubernetes.io/cluster-service=true, version=v1.6.0
```

## Deleting Pods

#### Pod deletion will discard all local pod resources

- When deleting a Pod, its containers will be removed and pod IP relinquished
- If an application needs to persist data, its pods must be configured to use persistent volumes for storage
- If a node dies, its local pods are also gone
- Best practice: use controller resources instead of managing pods directly
- Best practice: use service resources to build reliable abstraction layers for clients



Lab: Pods



#### How Kubernetes Runs Workloads



#### All Workloads are Containerized



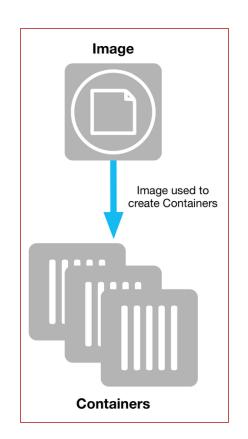
Docker allows you to package an application with its dependencies into a standardized unit for software development and deployment

#### **I**mage

- Read-only template used to create containers
- Includes all dependencies for a given application
- Built by you or other Docker users
- Stored in an image registry (e.g. Docker Hub)

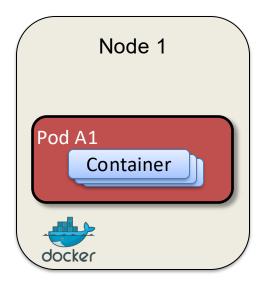
#### Container

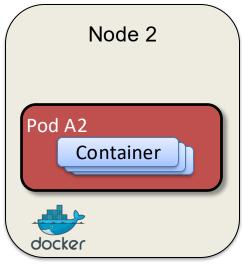
- Isolated application instance
- Created from a Docker image
- Based on Linux kernel primitives
  - Namespaces (resource visibility)
  - Control groups/cgroups (resource limits)

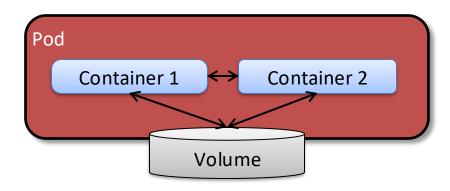


#### **Kubernetes Pods**

- Smallest K8s workload unit is the Pod, a set of co-scheduled containers
- A Pod == an application instance
- Pods can include more than one container, for tightly-coupled application components
- Containers in the same Pod share networking and storage resources
- Kubernetes handles efficient placement of Pods across available Nodes
- Pods and other K8s objects carry userdefined labels



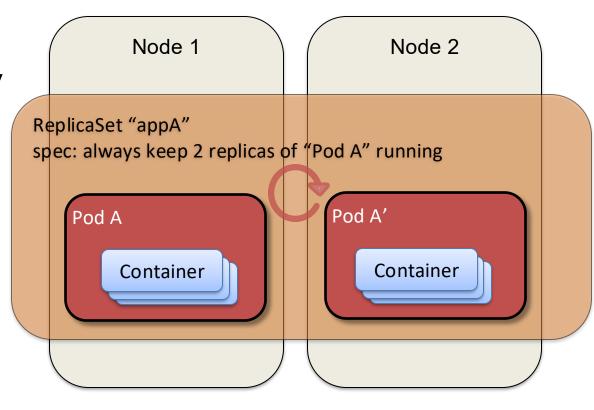




#### Controllers for Different Application Patterns

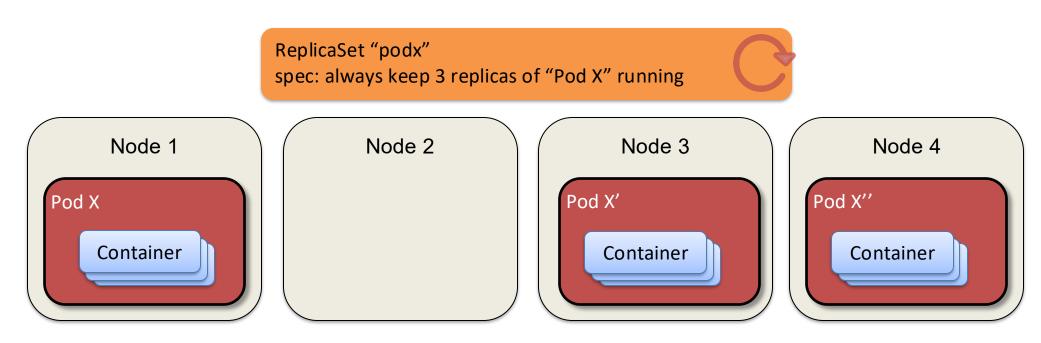
- K8s controller objects used to create and manage Pods according to different application patterns => control loops
- ReplicaSets manage sets of replicas of stateless workloads to ensure availability
- StatefulSets manage stateful workloads on stable storage to ensure consistency
- DaemonSets manage workloads that must run on every node, or set of nodes
- Jobs manage parallel batch processing workloads

Controller example: ReplicaSet



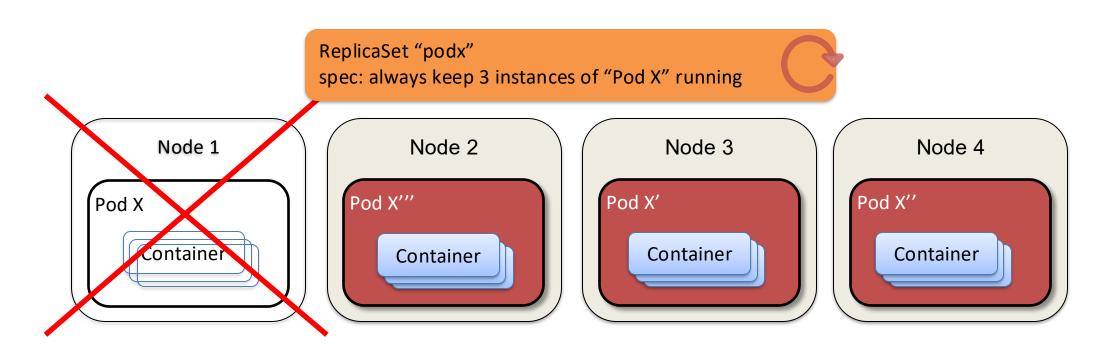
## Controller Example: ReplicaSets

- ReplicaSet configuration specifies how many instances of given Pod exist
- Configuration includes Pod template to define managed Pod configuration
- ReplicaSet used for web applications, mobile back-ends, API's
  - Usually managed by Deployment controllers



### Replication Ensures Application Availability

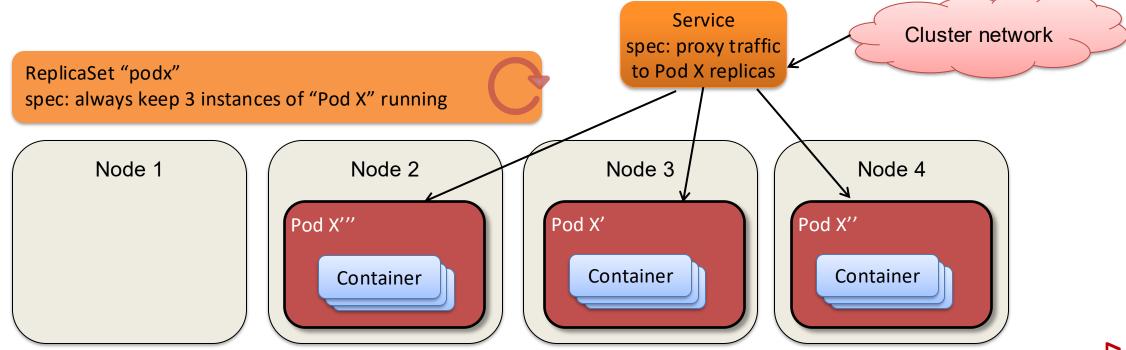
- When a Node fails, its Pods are lost
- K8s system manages the state of the ReplicaSet back to the declared configuration
- Changing the configuration will result in management to new state, e.g. scale out



### Kubernetes Services Expose Applications

#### Services are named load balancers for application endpoints

- Service supports several different types of methods to expose an application
- Service defines stable IP and ports for application



#### **Kubernetes Services Overview**



#### Kubernetes Service Objects: Microservices

Services provide abstraction between layers of an application

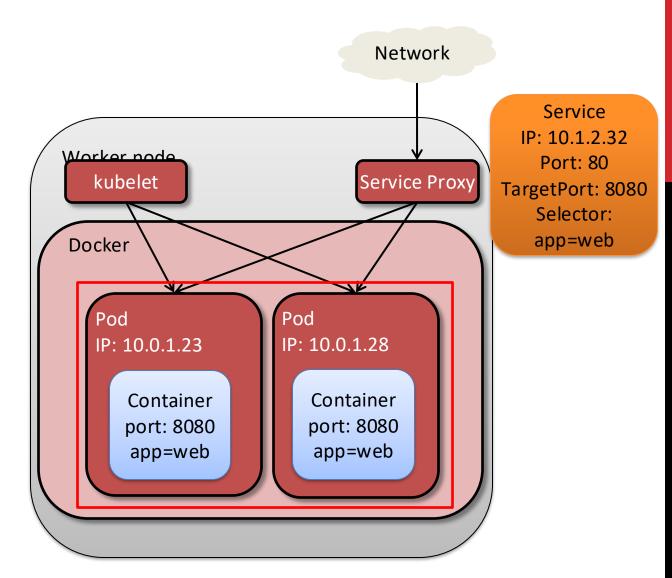
- Service object provides a stable IP for a collection of Pods
- Services use a label selector to target a specific set of pods as endpoints to receive proxied traffic
- Clients can reliably connect via the service IP and port(s), even as individual endpoint pods are dynamically created & destroyed
- Can model other types of backends using services without selectors

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: Service
metadata:
  name: wordpress
  labels:
    app: wordpress
spec:
  ports:
    - port: 80
      targetPort: 8080
  selector:
    app: wordpress
    tier: frontend
  type: LoadBalancer
```

sampleservice.yaml

### Services Provide Abstraction Layer for Applications

- Services can be used for communications between application tiers
- Services can also be used to expose applications outside the K8s cluster
- Services distribute requests over the set of Pods matching the service's selector
  - Service functions as TCP and UDP proxy for traffic to Pods
  - Service maps its defined ports to listening ports on Pod endpoints



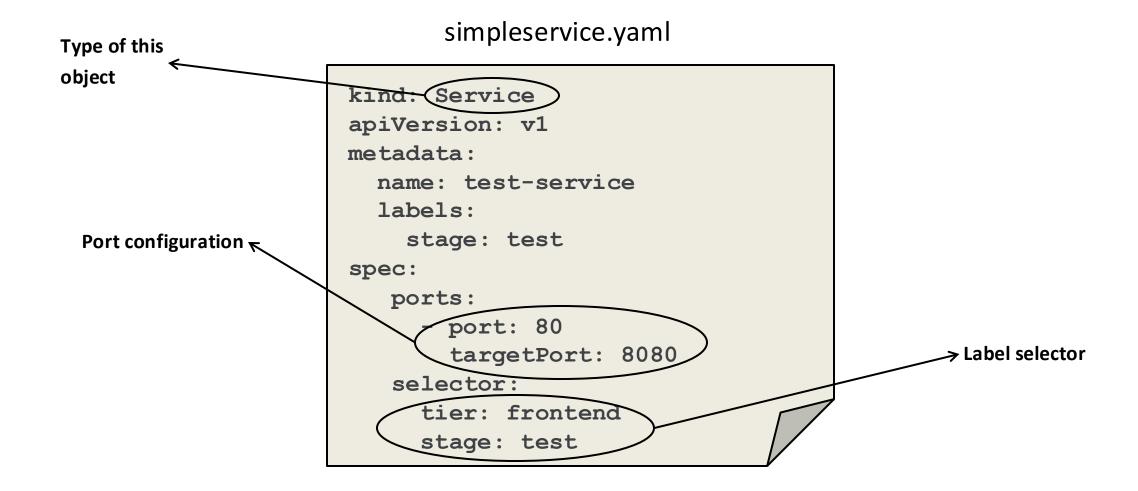
## Defining a Service Using a Manifest File

#### Services can defined in YAML or JSON, like other K8s resources

- kind field value is 'Service'
- metadata includes
  - name to assign to Service
- spec includes the ports associated with the Service
  - port is the Service's port value
  - targetPort is connection port on selected pods (default: port value)
- selector specifies a set of label KV pairs to identify the endpoint pods for the Service

```
kind: Service
apiVersion: v1
metadata:
  name: test-service
  labels:
    stage: test
spec:
   ports:
     - port: 80
       targetPort: 8080
   selector:
     tier: frontend
     stage: test
```

## Reviewing a Service Manifest File



## ServiceTypes and Exposing Applications

- By default, a Service is assigned a cluster-internal IP – good for back-ends
  - ServiceType ClusterIP
- To make a front-end Service accessible outside the cluster, there are other ServiceTypes available
  - ServiceType NodePort exposes Service on each Node's IP on a static port
  - ServiceType LoadBalancer exposes the Service externally using cloud provider's load balancer
- Can also use a Service to expose an external resource via ServiceType ExternalName

```
kind: Service
apiVersion: v1
metadata:
  name: test-service
  labels:
    stage: test
spec:
   ports:
     - port: 80
       targetPort: 8080
       nodePort: 30080
   selector:
     tier: frontend
   type: NodePort
```

# Exposing Services at L7 through Ingresses

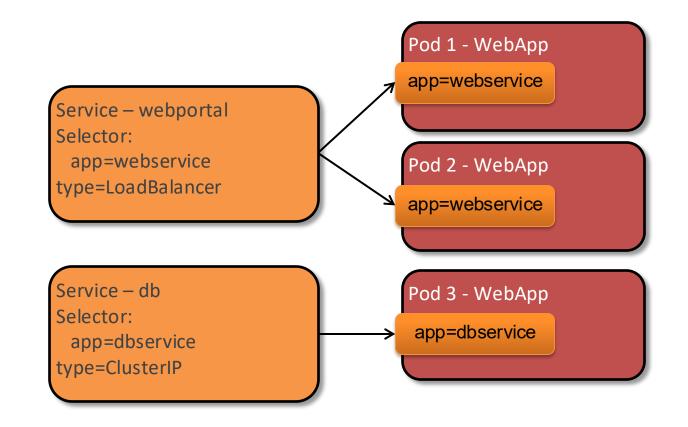
- Kubernetes also provides the facility to define Ingress resource to configure an external loadbalancer at L7
- Spec of Ingress resource is a set of rules matching HTTP host/url paths to specific Service backends
- Ingresses require the cluster to be running an appropriately configured Ingress controller to function (e.g. nginx)
- Useful for implementing fanout, Service backends for virtual hosts, etc.

```
apiVersion: extensions/v1beta1
kind: Ingress
metadata:
  name: test-ingress
spec:
  rules:
  -host: bar.foo.com
   http:
      paths:
      - path: /first
        backend:
          serviceName:
firstservice
          servicePort: 80
      - path: /second
        backend:
          serviceName:
secondservice
          servicePort: 80
```

### Selecting Pods as Service Endpoints

#### Service's pod selector based on labels

- Multiple pods can have the same label, unlike pod names which are unique in the namespace
- K8s system re-evaluates Service's selector continuously
- K8s maintains endpoints object of same name with list of pod IP:port's matching Service's selector



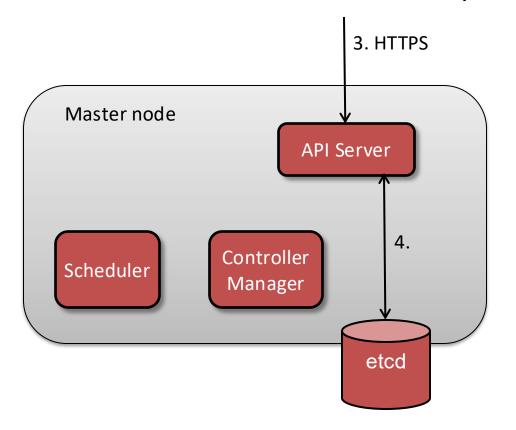
# Services Management



### Service Creation Process



2. kubectl create –f service.yaml



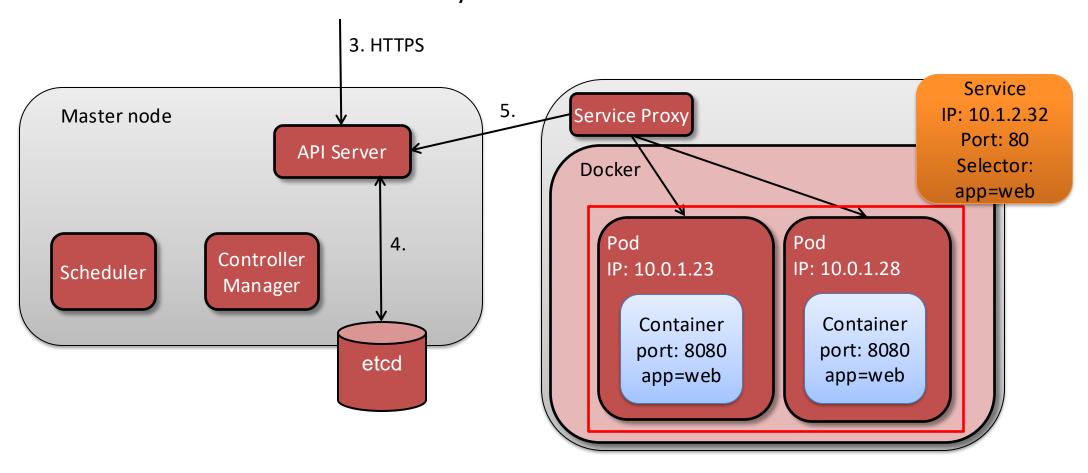
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- 3. CLI tool marshals parameters into K8s RESTful API request (HTTP POST)
- 4. kube-apiserver creates new Service object record in etcd

### Service Creation Process



2. kubectl create -f service.yaml

- 5. kube-proxy on node sees new Service
- 6. kube-proxy configures local iptables rules to forward traffic to endpoints



### Accessing Services Externally

#### Checking the service external IP

 Configured as type LoadBalancer, a configured cluster will provide an externally accessible IP for your Service

```
$ kubectl get services test-service
NAME         CLUSTER-IP         EXTERNAL-IP         PORT(S)         AGE
test-service 10.3.247.123 104.154.105.198 8080/TCP     4h
```

## Deleting Services

#### Services can be deleted anytime

- Service deletion does not affect pods targeted by the Service's selector
- Can be done referencing the Service name or a manifest for the resource

```
$ kubectl delete -f simpleservice.yaml
```

\$ kubectl delete service test-service

### Service Discovery via DNS

#### Kubernetes advertises services via cluster DNS

- Kubernetes uses a cluster-internal DNS add-on to create and manage records for all Services in the cluster
- Pod's DNS search list includes its own namespace and cluster default domain by default

```
$ kubectl get svc
NAME
         CLUSTER-IP EXTERNAL-IP
                                     PORT(S)
                                                   AGE
kubernetes 10.0.0.1 <none>
                                     443/TCP
                                             11d
test-service 10.0.0.102 <nodes>
                                     8080:30464/TCP 2d
kubectl exec -ti busybox1 -- nslookup test-service.default
Server:
         10.0.0.10
Address 1: 10.0.0.10 coredns.kube-system.svc.cluster.local
Name:
         test-service.default
Address 1: 10.0.0.102 test-service.default.svc.cluster.local
```

# Deployments



### What is a Deployment?

#### Kubernetes controller optimal for stateless applications

- Deployments allow you to declaratively manage pods, including replication
- Deployments support
  - Creating, rolling out, and rolling back changes to homogeneous set of pods
  - Scaling set of pods out and back declaratively
- Deployments include
  - Implicit Replica Set controller to handle pod replicas
  - Template spec of pods to be created and managed no need to separately create pods
- Deployments used for web applications, mobile back-ends, API's

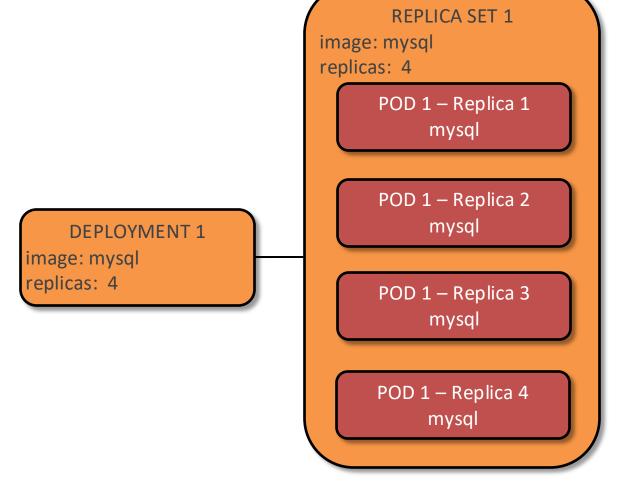
### What if my Application isn't Stateless?

- Kubernetes provides other controller objects for applications that need different deployment schemes
- StatefulSets (previously PetSets) control deployment of pods for applications that need more stable deployment contexts
  - Pods in StatefulSets have unique ordinal, stable network identity and stable storage using persistent volumes
  - When pods are deployed, they are created in sequence of ordinals 1..N
  - Pod N must be running and ready before Pod N+1 is deployed
  - When pods are destroyed, they are terminated in reverse sequence N..1
- DaemonSets ensure that a replica of a specified pod is running on every node (or every selected node) in the cluster
- Jobs manage sets of pods where N must run to successful completion

### Deployments Control ReplicaSet Controllers

#### Definition of how many replicated Pods should exist

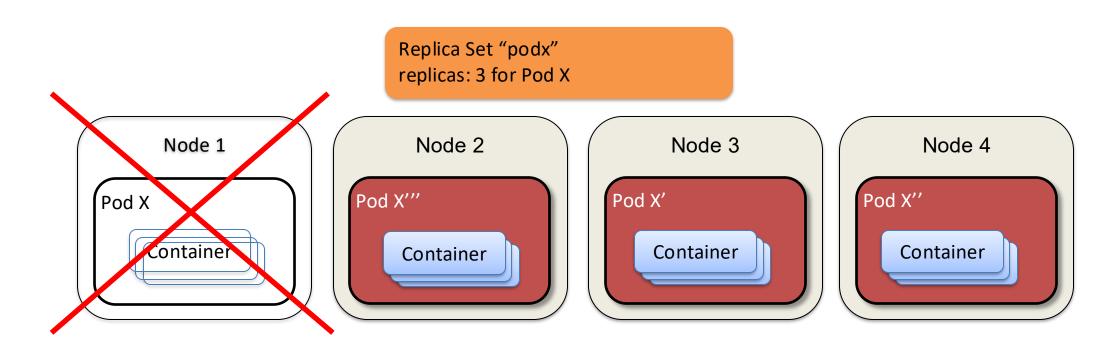
- Deployment creates and manages a Replica Set that manages a set of pods
- Replica count can be adjusted as needed to scale the Replica Set out and back
- Replica Set successor to the ReplicationController object



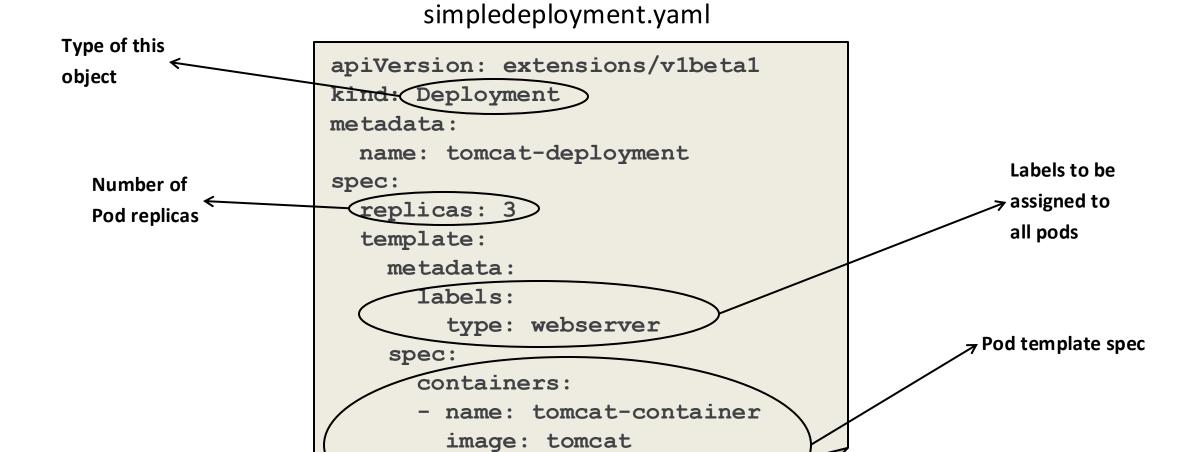
### What is a Replica Set?

### Provides scaling and high availability

- Replica count can be changed to provide scaling on demand as needed
- If the node hosting a pod fails, the Kubernetes cluster will recreate the pod elsewhere to achieve the target number of replicas



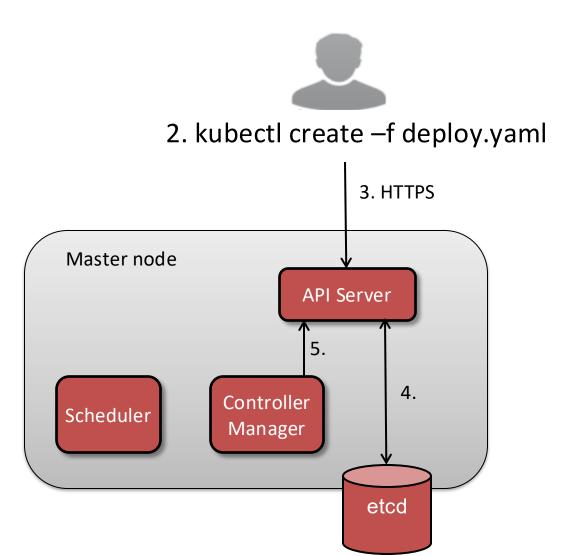
### Examining a Deployment Manifest File



- containerPort: 8080

ports:

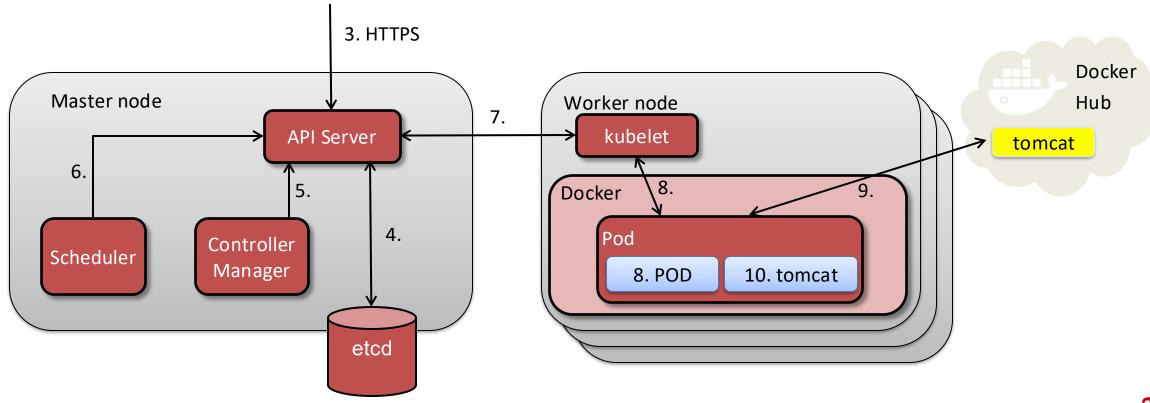
### Deployment Creation Process



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- 4. kube-apiserver creates new deployment object record in etcd, and new Replica Set object
- 5. kube-controller-manager sees new Replica Set and
  - a. Evaluates state of existing vs. required replicas
  - b. Submits pod creation requests to API to create required number of replicas

### Deployment Creation Process

- 6. Scheduler sees new pod objects created and selects node assignments
- 7. kubelet on each assigned node creates required pod, in standard way
- 2. kubectl create –f deploy.yaml



# **Deployment Strategies Overview**



## What is a Deployment Strategy?

### Approaches to manage risks on updating Deployments

- On each Deployment update/change, all pods in the deployment will be deleted and recreated
- Recreation process can have service impacts, especially for large Deployments
- A Deployment strategy defines how this rebuild process is done, to minimize downtime due to application failures or malfunctions

# Types of Deployment Strategies

Kubernetes supports two basic strategies, but users can also leverage multiple Deployments when applying changes

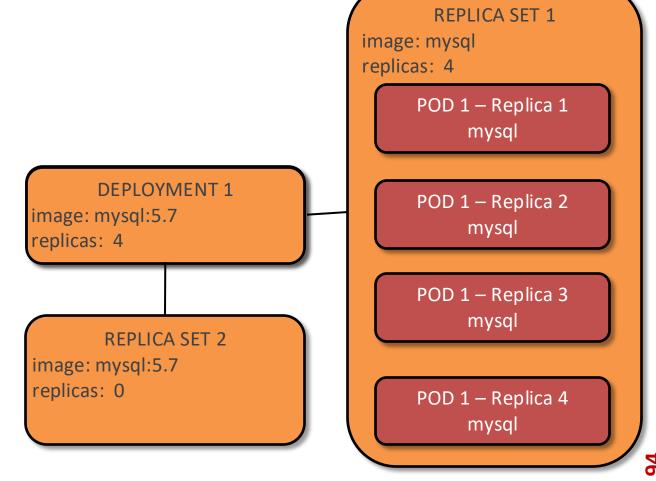
- Strategies for single Deployments
  - Recreate
  - RollingUpdate
- Strategic approaches using two Deployments with a Service
  - Canary deployments
  - Blue/Green deployments

Each approach has a specific behavior and advantages/disadvantages.



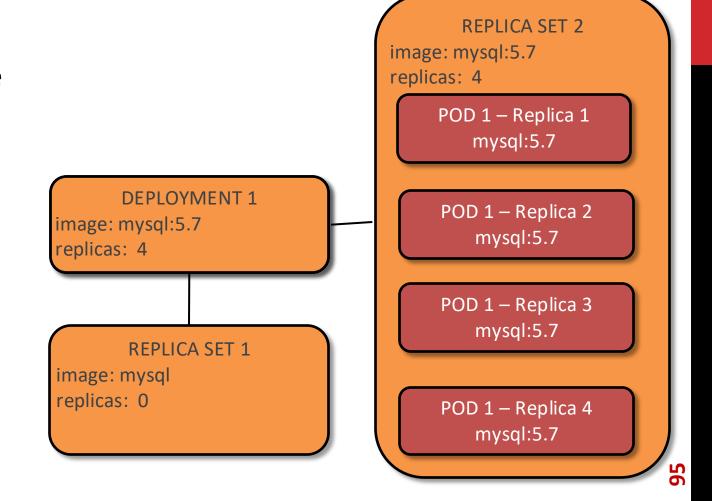
### Simplest strategy for deployments

- When a change is made to a Deployment's spec, all Pods are removed and then recreated
  - Old Replica Set pods are killed
  - Then, new Replica Set starts pods
- May lead to downtime during the process while new pods are started



### Simplest strategy for deployment updates

- When a change is made to a Deployment's template, all Pods are removed and then recreated
  - Old Replica Set pods are killed
  - New Replica Set starts pods
- May cause downtime due to delay between old pods terminating and new pods becoming available



#### Strategies are defined in the spec of a Deployment

- strategy parameter in Deployment spec sets the strategy to be used for updates
- If no parameter value is set, the default is RollingUpdate

```
apiVersion: extensions/v1beta1
kind: Deployment
metadata:
  name: tomcat-deployment
spec:
  replicas: 3
  strategy:
    type: Recreate
  template:
    metadata:
      labels:
        type: webserver
    spec:
      containers:
      - name: tomcat-container
        image: tomcat
        ports:
        - containerPort: 8080
```



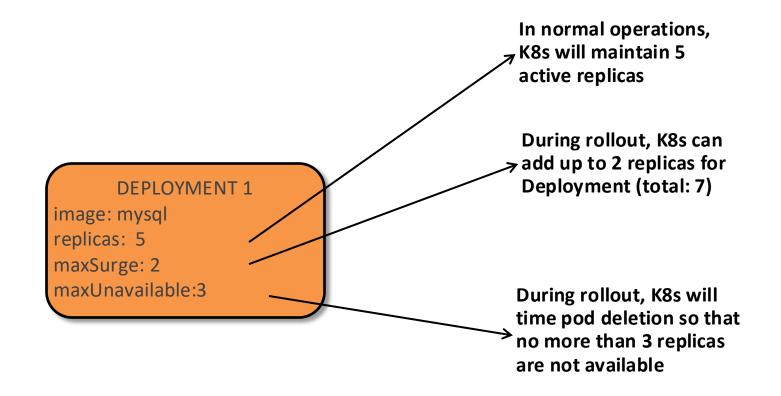
### RollingUpdate is DEFAULT strategy for Deployments

- When a change is made to the Deployment, the old Replica Set pods are scaled down as new pods are created by the new Replica Set
- A minimum number of running Pods is specified, so the Deployment will never be totally out of Pods to respond to service requests
- During the update process, the requested replica count may be temporarily exceeded

### Configure parameters to control the update process

```
metadata:
  name: tomcat-deployment
spec:
  replicas: 3
  strategy:
    type: RollingUpdate
    rollingUpdate:
      maxSurge: 25%
      maxUnavailable:10%-
template:
    metadata:
      labels:
        type: webserver
```

- maxSurge: number or percentage of additional Pods that can be created exceeding the replica count during update
  - Default value of 25%
  - maxUnavailable: number of Pods that can be unavailable during the update
    - Default value of 25%

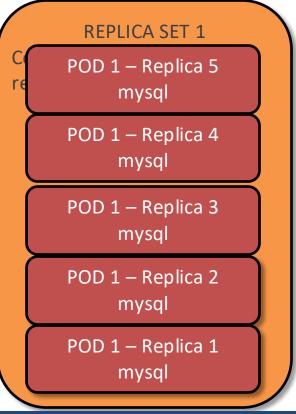


**Initial State** 

#### **DEPLOYMENT 1**

image: mysql Replicas: 5 maxSurge: 2

maxUnavailable:3



```
$ vi simpledeployment.yaml
...
   image: mysql:5.7
...
$ kubectl apply -f simpledeployment.yaml
```

Rollout in progress

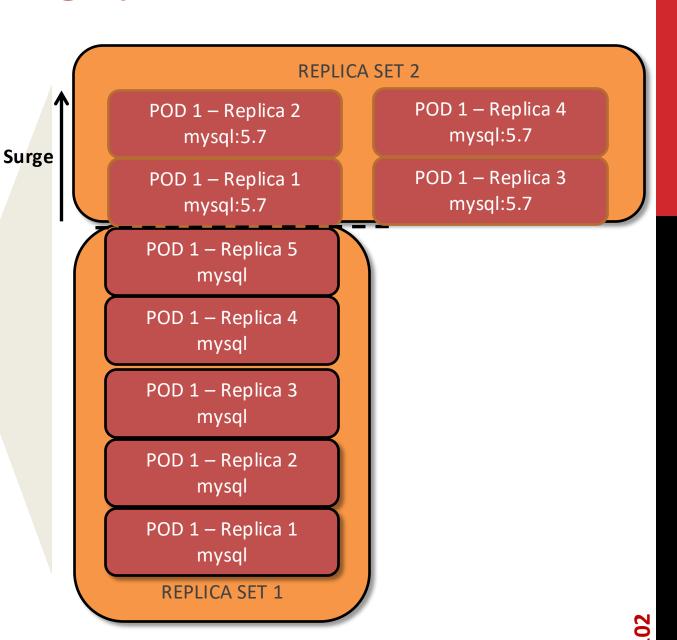
**DEPLOYMENT 1** 

image: mysql:5.7

Replicas: 5 maxSurge: 2

maxUnavailable:3

- Initial surge of new pods on new Replica Set
- Original Replica Set scaled back as new RS scaled out



Rollout complete

**DEPLOYMENT 1** 

image: mysql:5.7

replicas: 5

maxSurge: 2

maxUnavailable:3

By default, old, inactive
 Replica Set saved – previous
 version of the Deployment

**REPLICA SET 2** image: mysql:5.7 replicas: 5 POD 1 – Replica 5 mysql:5.7 POD 1 – Replica 4 mysql:5.7 POD 1 – Replica 3 mysql:5.7 POD 1 – Replica 2 mysql:5.7 POD 1 – Replica 1 mysql:5.7

REPLICA SET 1

image: mysql replicas: 0

# **Updating Using Multiple Deployments**



# RollingUpdate using Multiple Deployments

### Controlled testing of new versions in production

- Assume an application running as a Deployment, exposed as a Service
- To apply a new application version in production, a second Deployment can be used using labels in common with the first Deployment
  - Canary deployment allows for limited testing of new version in production
  - Blue/green deployment

# Strategic Approach: Canary Deployment

### Controlled testing of the update on production

- Consider a Service selecting pods from a Deployment of application pods
- In a canary deployment, a second Deployment (Canary Deployment) is created with pods for the new version, with labels matching the Service's selector
- Service directs some requests to pods on the Canary, allowing testing of changes in production
- If a malfunction is detected, it will only impact a small portion of the Pods and can be undone.

# Strategic Approach: Canary Deployment

#### **DEPLOYMENT 1**

image: tomcat

replicas: 3

type=webserver

channel=production

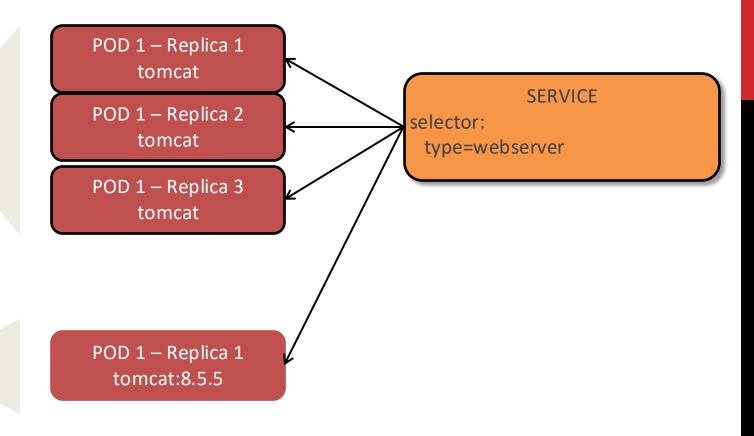
#### **DEPLOYMENT 2**

image: tomcat:8.5.5

replicas: 1

type=webserver

channel=canary



## Strategic Approach: Canary Deployment

### Decisions after running the canary Deployment in production

- If the application error rate is not increasing and Canary Deployment is stable:
  - The main Deployment can be updated to the newer version (using Rolling Update for example) and then the Canary can be discarded; OR
  - The Canary can be scaled up and reconfigured and the old Deployment can be discarded.
- If the test results in failure, the Canary deployment can be deleted

# Strategic Approach: Blue/Green Deployment

### Complete environment switch from one version to another

- With a Blue/Green deployment, you create a new full-scale Deployment in addition to the current production Deployment
- Reconfiguring the pod label selector on the application's Service allows choice of directing requests to old Deployment or new Deployment
- Similar to effect of Replace strategy without application downtime

## Strategic Approach: Blue/Green Deployment

#### **DEPLOYMENT 1**

image: tomcat

replicas: 3

type=webserver

color=blue

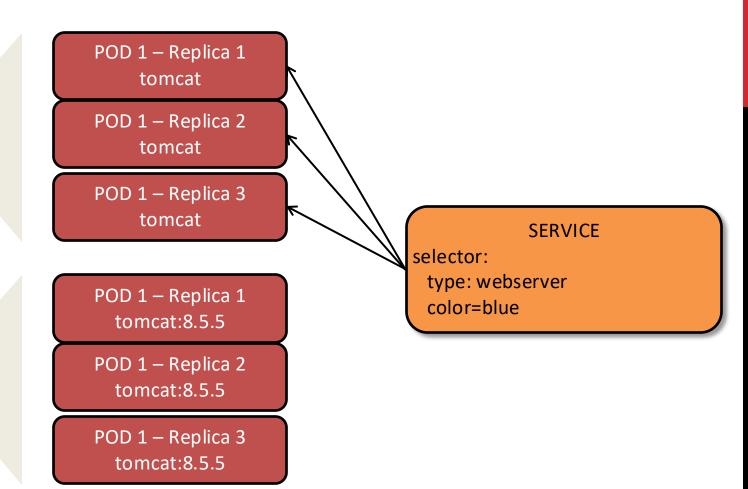
#### **DEPLOYMENT 2**

image: tomcat:8.5.5

replicas: 3

type=webserver

color=green



## Strategic Approach: Blue/Green Deployment

#### **DEPLOYMENT 1**

image: tomcat

replicas: 3

type: webserver

color=blue

#### **DEPLOYMENT 2**

image: tomcat:8.5.5

replicas: 3

type: webserver

color=green

POD 1 – Replica 1 tomcat

POD 1 – Replica 2 tomcat

POD 1 – Replica 3 tomcat

POD 1 – Replica 1 tomcat:8.5.5

POD 1 – Replica 2 tomcat:8.5.5

POD 1 – Replica 3 tomcat:8.5.5

#### **SERVICE**

selector:

type: webserver

color=green



Lab: Deployments

