

# PODS AND CONTAINERS IN K8S

- 1) Config maps
- 2) Secret.
- 3) Passing Config maps and Secret using:
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  - d) from file.

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- (12) Container initialization - (init Containers)

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## PODS AND CONTAINERS IN KUBERNETES

This is important topic.

- ① Managing application Configuration
- ② Managing Container Resources.
- ③ Monitoring Container Health
- ④ Building Self-Healing Pods

### Managing application Configuration:-

- i) Most People already understand "Configuration" or settings that influence the Operations of an application.
- 2) Kubernetes allows to pass dynamic Configuration value to application at Runtime.
- 3) These Dynamic Configuration help user to control the application flow.

### Config Maps

- 1) Keep the Non-Sensitive Data in Config map, which can be passed to Container Application.
- 2) Config Map Store Data in Key-Value format.
- 3) Config Maps allow you to Separate your Configuration

From your pods & Components.

(means we can have separate Config map file for each Container)

- A) Config map helps to make configurations easier to change & manage & prevents hardcoding Configuration data to pod specifications.

### CONFIGMAP Commands :-

- I) Config map via Config file (it uses YAML file).

Kubectl Create Configmap [Name] --from-file  
 [Path of the file Extension] --from-file [path of the file with extension]

Above command we can use single file or multiple files.  
 (-from-file).

### Via Directory Path

Kubectl Create Configmap [Name] -from-file [path of Directory]

### GET Configmap via cli

Kubectl get Configmap <Config map name> -o yaml

To manage data dynamically we have one more object called "Secrets"

SECRETS :- are similar to Configmaps but it is for sensitive data (Secret data)

① Secrets are similar to Configmap but designed to keep the sensitive data.

② Create Secrets from file.

```
Kubectl Create Secret generic db-user-pass --from-file  
     ./username.txt --from-file=./password.txt
```

Note:- Special character such as \$, \, \*, ?, ! require escaping.

③ Get Secrets :-

```
Kubectl get Secrets
```

④ Describe Secrets :-

```
Kubectl describe secrets [Secret_name]
```

## Sample Secret YAML file :-

apiVersion: v1

kind: Secret

metadata:

Name: mysecret-manifest

Type: Opaque

data:

Username: XXXVVVZ22-

Password: Z22@Aa--

## PASS CONFIGMAP AND Secrets to Containers.

- (1)
- (2)
- (3)

By Environment Variables

using mount Volumes

Config-map & Secrets Value is to be passed to Container.  
This can be achieved by environment variables or mount volumes

- (1)

By Environment Variables:-

User can pass Secrets & Configmap to Container using Environment Variables

Spec: secrets and configmaps are passed from environment variables to containers

Containers: setting of env. variable of secret.

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Env: name with environment variable

- Name: Special-Label-Key

ValueFrom:

ConfigmapKeyRef:

Name: Special-Config ... Special-key

Key has the key. To get value & pass to the Environment Name.

## ② Mount Volume :-

- Config mount Volume is another way to pass Config Data & Scripts to Containers.
- Using this Config Data will be available in files to Container file system.

Syntax:-

Volume:

-name: Config-Volume

Configmap:

-name: Special-Config

Handlers

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## ③ Posix Configmap

We have one more way to Pass Configuration properties files to containers. That is Posix Configmap.

In Env Variable Config map, for each & every property we have in the Config map, we were creating env variables.

Suppose we don't want to do such kind of stuff

We don't want to create the Env Variable for each & every property which is available in my Config map and I want that for each property which I mentioned within my Configmap, automatically one Env Variable will be declared within my Container.

How can we achieve this? We need to create a new Config-map which is called posix Configmap.

### Syntax

apiVersion: v1

kind: ConfigMap

metadata:

name: player-poxie-demo

data:  
PLAYER\_LIVES: "5"

properties-file-name: "user-interface-properties"

base-properties: "Template1"

user-interface-properties: "Dark"

NOTE:- In posix Configmap..

(a) Key should be in Capital.

(b) One to One mapping, no multiple mapping / multiple values

(c) we "-" we underscore to separate out the words

(d) on the properties which you will define in posix Config map Container will automatically create one Env Variable for that property.

(e) we also need to define new pod Yaml file with env form

apiVersion: v1

kind: Pod

metadata:

name: configmap-podix-demo

spec:

containers:

- name: Configmap-podix

image: minikubeimages/kubernetes-web:1.0.6

ports:

- containerPort: 8080

envFrom:

- ConfigMapRef:

name: player-podix-demo

Command:-

① Save the both in Syntax in different file each .yaml

② Command to Create: podix-configmap.yaml

Kubectl apply -f podix-configmap.yaml

③ Kubectl get Configmap

④ Kubectl get describle podix-configmap

⑤ Kubectl apply -f Configmap-podix.yaml

⑥ Kubectl describle podix-configmap

⑦ Kubectl get pods

Go To Container & Executed Commands.

Kubectl exec ~~pod~~ Configmap-pax-demo --it  
--bin/bash

Now we are inside the Container, for performing sh.  
use -it --sh.

② ls

④ printenv

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ConfigMap & Secret from file.

① Create Secret from file.

② Create ConfigMap from file.

③ Setup Nginx Pod to Authenticate from Secret.

① update the Container.

Sudo apt-get update.

② apt install apache2-utils

(3)

```
htpasswd -c .htpasswd user
```

given new password & remember it.

(4)

```
ls -a
```

we notice hidden file .htpasswd is created.

(5)

by using the file above, we can create Secret.

Kubectl Create Secret generic Path-htpasswd  
--from-file .htpasswd

(6)

Kubectl get Secrets

Once we created Secret using hidden file, we don't need hidden file anymore, we can remove the file.

```
rm -rf .htpasswd
```

(7)

For creating Configmap using the file for example fake nginx file.

Kubectl Create Configmap nginx-config-file  
--from-file nginx.conf

- ⑧ Next Create pod using mount volume.

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### MANAGE CONTAINER IN. KUBERNETES.

#### manage Container Resources.

- ① we will see how we can limit the resource used  
on Containers & how we can limit the  
resource used on Kubernetes nodes.

② Resource Request.

③ Resource limit

Resource Request :- is something which will define  
that how much resource a particular Container  
can request from Kubernetes cluster.

Resource limit :- basically a limit on a Container,  
which you can define in Kubernetes.

## Resource Requests & Resource Limits

- ① Resource Requests allow user to define a ~~resource limit~~, user expect a Container to use.
- ② kube-scheduler will manage Resource Requests and avoid scheduling on nodes which don't have enough Resources.
- ③ Note:- Containers are allowed to use more or less than the Requested resource.  
Resource Requests is to manage the Scheduling Only.
- ④ Memory is measured in Bytes. User is allowed to define in megabyte as well.
- ⑤ Requests for CPU resources are measured in CPU units. 1vCPU means 1000 CPU unit.

For Ex:-

Opration: v1

Kind: Pod

Metadata:

name: frontend

Spec:

Containers:

- name: app

- image: nginx

- . Resources:

Requests:

- memory: "64 mi"

- CPU: "250m"

## Resource Limit :-

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Date \_\_\_\_\_

- ① Resource Limit is used to limit the Container's resource use.  
(means we are imposing to use that much resource itself).

- ② Limits are imposed at Run Time Container.

apiVersion: v1

kind: Pod

metadata:

name: Frontend

Spec:

Containers:

- name: app

image: nginx

resources:

limits:

memory: "128mi"

CPU: "500m"

If my Container is exceeding the CPU limit, it means my Container is exceeding the half of CPU or 500 CPU unit. Then Kubernetes will throttle the process & it will keep the Container running.

But if my Container is using that much of memory & it will try to exceed in that case, Kubernetes will kill that Container & restart that Container as per your restart policy.

## Demo:-

① cd to directory you have stored YAML file.

cd Demo-Yaml

② vi resource-limit-pod.yaml

apiVersion: v1

Kind: Pod

metadata:

name: frontend-1

Spec:

Containers:

- name: app

image: alpine

Command: ["sleep", "3600"]

Resources:

Requests:

memory: "64mi"

Cpu: "250m"

③

④ Execute Top to check the CPU available in cluster.

⑤

Kubectl apply -f resource-limit-pod.yaml

⑥

Kubectl get pods -o wide

## Section 36 (226 Chapter)

Monitor Containers in Kubernetes.

Manage Container Health Checks.

- (a) why/what Container health.
- (b) Liveness probe
- (c) Startup liveness probe
- (d) Readiness probe
- (e) Hands On Demonstration.

### Container health:-

(1) Kubernetes is feature Rich, & provide number of features to monitor the Containers.

(2) Active Monitoring Helps K8s to decide the Container State & Auto Restart in Case of Container failure.

#### ① Liveness probe :-

(1) The first health check type available in the Communities is called Liveness probe.

(2) Liveness probe will help to determine the state of your Container.

(3) It will make sure that the Container is running or not.

④ By default @K8s is down, if the Container process is stop. @K8s restart Container automatically. It is also depend on restart policy configured.

⑤ User can create two types of Liveness probes

• Run Command in Container :- Once you execute a

① Command within a Container & if that Command Status is successful, then @K8s make sure that the Container is in the Running state.

② Periodic HTTP Health Check :- if your Container is

some kind of web application. Then you can put the HTTP health check within your Container, which will hit the health check stub API & Verify the status.

Liveness Probe:

Exec:

Command:

- Some Command here -

initialDelaySeconds : 5

periodSeconds : 5

Initial Delay Seconds :- How long to wait before sending a probe after a Container starts.

Period Seconds :- How often a probe will be sent.

## Liveness via HTTP Request manifest

livenessProbe:

httpGet:

path: /health.html

port: 8080

httpHeaders:

- name: Custom-Header

value: Awesome

initialDelaySeconds: 3

periodSeconds: 3

timeoutSeconds: 1

## STARTUP PROBE :-

① Setting up Liveness probe is very tricky with application which have long startup time.

Sometimes we have some application that could be the DB application that could be some heavy software which have a very long startup time.

Generally the legacy software have a very long startup time & if you are going to put the liveness probe on that kind of container which have the longest startup time. Then you should be very precise about the initial time delay because you don't know that the container will start in 10 minutes or 30 minutes.

Sometimes that prediction is not work.

So Startup probe will help us to execute with the legacy application which has longest startup time.

A Startup probe runs at the Container startup and stop running once Container Success.

If a Startup probe is a part of your Container definition or Container manifest(yml) then ~~it~~  
 & Startup probe Execute Once & Stop Once it is successful.

- (2) Once the Startup probe has succeed Once, the liveness probe takes over to provide a fast response to Container deadlocks.

Note:- If we have both Startup & Liveness probe in manifest(yml), it consider first Startup & if it is successful it never execute again, then it will start with Liveness probe.

- (4) Once your Container is restarted, the very first time it will pick Startup probe will execute & the liveness probe.

### Manifest or definitions of Startup Probe

StartupProbe:

httpGet:

Path: /health.html.

Port: 8080

failureThreshold: 30

periodSeconds: 10

Application will have a maximum of 5 minutes ( $30 * 10 = 300s$ ) to finish its Startup.

## Readiness Probe :-

- 1) Readiness is used to detect if a Container is ready to accept traffic
- 2) The running state of your Container doesn't guarantee that your application is ready to accept the traffic.  
for ex:- Generally the front end application Containers come up very quickly but backend application like Database take time to come up.

If we start sending the traffic on the front end Container, then the user will start getting the errors. - Frontend application will try to talk the backend application that is still down.

So although my Container is up that is ready to accept the traffic, but my complete application (my applications as a whole) is not ready to consume the traffic.

In that case we need another probe which is called Readiness.

- ③ Readiness probe we can define end-to-end health check status which will verify your application end-to-end health check.

If Readiness probe is a part of your manifest, then no traffic will be sent to a Pod or Container until the first Readiness probe will be success.

Here is the manifest of the readiness problem.

Sometimes application might need to load large data or Configuration files during startup, or depend on External Services after startup.

No Traffic will be sent to a pod until Container passes the Readiness Probe.

Readiness Probe :

Exec:

Command:

- Cat

- /tmp/healthy

initialDelaySeconds: 5

periodSeconds: 5

① Configuration for HTTP Readiness probe also remains identical to liveness probes.

② Readiness & liveness probes can be used in parallel for the same Container.

## Section 36 (227 Lab: Liveness & Startup probe).

manifest for liveness probe

apiVersion: v1

kind: Pod

metadata:

name: liveness-probe

spec:

containers:

- name: liveness

image: k8s.gcr.io/busybox

args:

- /bin/sh

- -c

- touch /tmp/healthcheck; sleep 60;

rm -rf /tmp/healthcheck; sleep 600

livenessProbe:

exec:

command:

- cat

- /tmp/healthcheck

initialDelaySeconds: 5

periodSeconds: 5

① cd to directory where you have kept manifest (Yml files)

1> Cd YmlScripts .

② Vi liveness-probe.Yml .

Copy the manifest written in Back page.  
then save & Close .

③

④ Kubernetes apply -f liveness-probe.Yml .

⑤

Kubernetes get pods -o wide

⑥

Kubernetes describe <name of the Pod>

In manifest (Yml file) we have touch / created the /tmp/healthcheck file and made to sleep for 60; and then remove the file & then sleep for 60 .

In liveness-probe we are looking for /tmp/healthcheck file periodically. As we have removed the file after 60 second. Liveness probe looks for that file periodically after 5 second, if it not find the file, it will wait for the delay time & restart the Container again .

By this we are validating success case & failure case .

## manifest for liveness for http.

apiVersion: v1

kind: Pod

metadata:

name: liveness-probe-http

Spec:

Containers:

- name: liveness-nginx

image: k8s.gcr.io/nginx

livenessProbe:

httpGet:

Path: /

Port: 80

initialDelaySeconds: 3

periodSeconds: 3

Repeat same steps from 1 To 5

Note:- file name will be different.

To verify Execute curl Command:

Curl {ip of container}:

## Startup probe for http

apiVersion: v1

Kind: Pod

Metadata:

name: liverpool-probe-http

Spec:

Containers:

- name: liverpool-nginx

image: k8s.gcr.io/nginx

StartupProbe:

httpGet:

→ Path: /

Port: 80

FailureThreshold: 30

PeriodSeconds: 10

① cd to the directory.

cd XmlScript

② vi StartupScript.xml

Copy the above manifest

Save & close

③ kubectl apply -f StartupScript.xml

④ kubectl get pod -o wide

5. kubectl describe < Pod-name >

wait-period in Period X threshold:  
 $10 \times 30 = 300$

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Lab: Liveness & Readiness probe

manifest :- for http. (it contain both liveness & readiness)

apiVersion: v1

kind: Pod

metadata:

name: hc-probe-http

Spec:

Containers:

- name: liveness-nginx
- image: k8s.gcr.io/nginx

liveness Probe:

HTTPGet:

Path: /

Port: 80

initialDelaySeconds: 3

periodSeconds: 3

readiness Probe:

HTTPGet:

Path: /

Port: 80

initialDelaySeconds: 3

periodSeconds: 3

Execution steps are same Only filename is different & pod name will be different.

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### SELF HEALING PODS IN Kubernetes

#### Container Restart policies:-

The Container Restart policy is ~~is~~ always a part of K8s.

Even if you are not defining the Container, Restart policy explicitly in your manifest, but given it is always have a default Container Restart policy.

- ① Always
- ② OnFailure (Fallback)
- ③ Never

#### Restart policies :-

- ① Kubernetes have Capability to Auto Restart the Containers when they fail.
- ② Restart Policies Customize the K8s Container Restart behaviour & you can choose when to Restart the Container.
  - C Based On Business need, or need behaviour change in Restart).

- ③ K8s have three Restart Policies - Always, OnFailure & Never.

### ALWAYS Restart policy :-

- 1) Always is default Restart policy in K8s. If you are not defining Restart policy explicitly within your pod manifest, whenever we are not defining any Restart policy, always Restart policy will be applicable on your pod & Container.
- 2) X with the always Restart policy will be applicable on your pod & Container.
- 3) In always Restart policy, there is a drawback that it will always restart your Container even if the Container completed successfully.
- 4) always Restart policy, to make the Container Restart every time whenever the Container will stop or Container will exit successfully.
- 5) always Restart policy is only recommended for the Container that you want, that Container should always be in the Running state, but if you are creating some intermittent Containers which are specific to a particular job & after the job completes that Container will exit out. Always Restart Policy is definitely not recommended for these kind of Containers.

To Customize the Behaviour: we have another

Restart policy called "ON FAILURE"

- (1) On failure is Only works if the Container process Exits Out with the error code.

So suppose you design the Container & you want that Container will always restart. if that Container Exits Out with failure Reason. or there could be any kind of failure in a Container & that Container will Exit Out.

So we can apply Onfailure.

- (2) It also works if Container liveness probe determine the Container unhealthy. it will restart the Container.

We can use this policy on the application that needs to be given successully and then stops.

So if we want some Containers that ~~the~~ Container will execute successully & then it will stop.

So there is a One time job of that Particular Container we can apply the On failure Restart policy on that Container because there is no any Reason, if Container will Exit Out due to any error in b/w and the job is not completed. Then Kubernetes will auto Restart that Container & it will complete their job.

## NEVER Policy:-

always Restart.

Opposite of ~~OneShot~~ Policy.

- (1) Never allow Container to never restart even the Container liveness probe failed.
- (2) use this for application that Run Only Once & never automatically Started.

if you have a specific need that whatever the job I'm doing within a Container that is Only One time Executable, it doesn't matter that job Completed successfully or not, but that job is just One time Executable.

we will apply the never restart policy with that particular Container.

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manifest :-

apiVersion: v1

kind: Pod

metadata:

name: Restart-always-pod

Spec:

RestartPolicy: Always

Containers:

- name: APP

image: alpine

Command: ["sleep", "20"]

Execution steps are same Only difference is filename & podname. as mentioned manifest.

as we have given sleep for 20 seconds our pod will exit then pod will be restarted automatically.

Kubectl get pod -o wide.

## ② On failure manifest

apiVersion: v1

kind: Pod

metadata:

name: Onfailure-always-pod

spec:

restartPolicy: OnFailure

Containers:

- name: app

image: alpine

Command: ["sleep", "20"]

Execution steps are same

Kubectl get pod -o wide.

To verify if it restart or not, change the manifest Command section.

Command: ["sh", "-c", "Sleep 20", "dummy command"]

when it execute dummy command, it will exit with error

Never :-

never manifest :-

apiVersion: v1

kind: Pod

metadata :

name: never-always-pod

Spec:

SchedulerPolicy : Never

Containers :

- name: app

Image: alpine

Command ["Sleep", "90"]

steps are

Execution, Done

## Section. 36 [ 231 ]

### Creating multi Container Pools :

1 what is multi Container Pod.

2 Cross Container Communication.

3 multi Container Example.

4 Hand On.

## Multi Container pods

① Kubernetes pod can have single or multiple containers in the pod.

tell how we have seen single container in a pod.

② In multi Container pods, Containers share the Resources like n/w and storage, also can communicate on Local Host.

③ Note:- Best Practice is to keep the Containers in separate pods, until we would like Containers will share the Resources.

So if there is a need to share the Resources b/w the Containers, Then definitely you can create the multiple Container within a single pod.

## CROSS Container Communication.

① Container sharing a pod, can interact with shared Resources.

So the first shared Resource, the ~~Containers~~ N/w & Containers which are the part of single pod they can communicate to each other on any pod until unless that pod is Exposed to the Cluster.

The another communication medium is the Storage Containers can use the same shared Volume (Storage) & they can

use the Shared data and they can interact using the Shared data.

## Hands On Demo:

① Go To the directory we have yaml file (manifest) stored.

② Vi multi-Container.yaml

apiVersion: v1

kind: Pod

metadata:

name: two-Containers .

Spec :

StartPolicy : OnFailure

Containers :

- name: nginx-Container

image: nginx

VolumeMounts:

- name: Shared-data .

mountPath: /usr/share/nginx/html .

- name: debian-Container

image: debian

VolumeMounts:

- name: Shared-data

mountPath: /pod-data

Command ["/bin/sh"]

args:

["-c", "echo Hello from the Second >/pod-data/index.html"]

Volumes:

- name: Shared-data .

EmptyDir: {} }

## SECTION 36 [232]

### Container initialization in Kubernetes.

- ① what/why Container initialization
- ② why it is Imp in K8s.
- ③ Use Case of init Container.
- ④ Hand On Demon.

what is Container initialization in K8s.

- 1) init Containers are Specialized Containers that run before a Container in your pod.

So whenever we are defining the application Container or Container within my pod & if we are also defining the init Container ~~to~~ alongside with the Container within my pod, then init Container will always execute before the Containers in a pod manifest.

- 2) the another feature about the init Container that the init Container will Only Execute during the Startup process of your pod.

③ The init Container is designed to execute only once & they will only execute before the main Container or application Container of your pod.

④ So we can use the init Container for the application setup.

If you want to set up something before the application Container, you can use the concept of init Container in your K8s.

⑤ init Containers can contain the utility or set up a script that are not present in the image.

⑥ User can define the number of init Container in pod manifest file.

### USE CASE :-

So with the help of init Container, we can set up the application right?

① The another benefit is if you want to install few packages, you want to get some library you can get this library within the init Container.

② So by the init Container we are basically controlling the start process of my app Container.

② Second use case

If we have DB Server as Backend & Front-end application.  
we can put the condition that DB should come up first.  
Successfully then go to front-end.

- ③ If my application Container needs some data, then  
we can do that data setting job or data setup job  
by init Container.

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- ① Go to directory where Yaml file is stored.

- ② Vi init-container.yaml

apiVersion: v1

kind: Pod

metadata:

name: application-pod

Spec:

Containers:

- name: myapp-Container

image: busybox:1.28

Command: ["sh", "-c", "echo The app is running! &&

Sleep 3600"]

init Containers:

- name: init-my-service

image: busybox:1.28

Command:

[

"sh",

("-c")

“untilnlookup myservice. \$(cat /var/run/secrets/kubernetes.io/serviceaccount/namespace).  
src.cluster.local; do echo waiting for  
myservice; sleep 5; done”;

]

- name: init-mydb

image: busybox: 1.28

Command:

[

“sh”,

“-c”,

“untilnlookup mydb. \$(cat /var/run/secrets/kubernetes.io/serviceaccount/namespace).src.  
cluster.local; do echo waiting for mydb;  
sleep 5; done”.

]

③ Main Container will not be deployed until init Container is successful.

④ as there are no services configured in kubernetes / k8s  
init Container will fail & will be in waiting state.

⑤ Let Configure services:

## Manifest

apiVersion: v1

kind: Service

metadata:

name: myservice

Spec:

Ports:

- protocol: TCP

port: 80

targetPort: 9376.

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apiVersion: v1

kind: Service

metadata

name: ~~myapp~~ mydb

Spec:

Ports:

- protocol: TCP

port: 80

targetPort: 9377.

⑥

vi myservicesyaml.yaml

Copy the above manifest

Save.

⑦

kubectl apply -f <filename>

⑧

To check init Container status.

kubectl get -f <Yaml file name>