K8s Networking

• All things networking in the k8s space

Pod to pod comms

DNS & Service discovery

```
## nameservers 10.1.0.10 is the IP of the default K8s service
        called "kubernetes" when you do `kubectl get svc`
## It's our cluster DNS service. Services give dynamic sets of
        pods a stable "head" identity.
## nslookup & dig
/ # nslookup echo-server.default.svc.cluster.local
Server:
           10.1.0.10
           10.1.0.10:53
Address:
       echo-server.default.svc.cluster.local
Name:
Address: 10.1.135.254
/ # nslookup website.default.svc.cluster.local
Server:
          10.1.0.10
Address:
           10.1.0.10:53
```

website.default.svc.cluster.local

Headless labs

Address: 10.1.180.30

Name:

DNS Lookups in Services

• Kubernetes uses a DNS server to provide service discovery for pods

```
kubectl exec -it <pod-name> -- nslookup <service-name>
kubectl exec -it <pod-name> -- dig <service-name>
kubectl exec -it <pod-name> -- getent hosts <service-name>
```

Checking Pod Connectivity

• Ensure that pods can communicate with each other as expected.

```
kubectl exec -it <pod-name-1> -- ping <pod-name-2>
kubectl exec -it <pod-name-1> -- curl <pod-name-2>:<port>
```

Pod networking

• Check pod to pod connectivity (2)

```
kubectl run web --image=httpd
kubectl get pod -o wide

## Test pod net
kubectl run client -it --image=busybox
ip a
ping -c 3 <WEB POD IP>
wget -q0 - <WEB POD IP>
```

Service routing

• How are services routes via kube-proxy

```
## check svc the NAT table:
sudo iptables -L -vn -t nat | grep '<YOUR SERVICE CLUSTER IP>'
## rule chain
sudo iptables -L -vn -t nat | grep -A4 '<CHAIN NAME>'
```

Network plugins (CNI)

- Kubernetes supports various CNI plugins for network configuration.
 - · Common plugins: Flannel, Calico, Weave, Cilium

Debugging Network Issues

• Debug network issues using logs and network tools.

```
kubectl logs <network-pod-name> -n kube-system
kubectl exec -it <pod-name> -- ifconfig
kubectl exec -it <pod-name> -- netstat -an
```

Port Forwarding

• Forward local ports to a pod for testing purposes.

```
kubectl port-forward <pod-name> <local-port>:<pod-port>
kubectl port-forward svc/<service-name> <local-port>:<service-
port>
```

Ingress controllers

- Ingress resources manage external access to services, typically HTTP.
 - Examples of ingress controller include: NGINX, Traefik, HAProxy and more
- For ingress in K8s to work, you need to create ingress controllers and then you can setup an ingress to a certain service. Ingress controllers will generally spin up load balancer type of services in your cloud provider where the cluster lives.

Service mesh

