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What is EKS

- AWS EKS is a Managed Kubernetes Service from Amazon, which means AWS manages the Master Nodes.
- All the necessary applications/services are already pre-installed like the container runtime or master processes and in addition it also takes care of scaling and backups.
- You only create the Worker Nodes.

Steps to create EKS

- To create a K8s cluster in EKS you need to do following steps:
- Create a VPC
- Create an IAM role with Security Group (or in other words: create AWS user with list of permissions)
- Create Cluster Control Plane Master Nodes
 - choose basic information like cluster name and k8s version
 - o choose region and VPC for your cluster
 - set security
- Create Worker Nodes and connect to cluster
 - The Worker Nodes are some EC2 instances with CPU and storage resources.
 - Create as a Node Group
 - Choose cluster it will attach to
 - Define Security Group, select instance type etc.

With NodeGroup you have autoscaling, depending on how much load the cluster has new Worker Nodes will automatically added or removed in the cluster.

EKSCTL CLI

- Execute below commands in either one of the below options:
 - AWS CloudShell (Uses AWS Console Login IAM Credentials)
 - Local Linux Machine (Uses IAM User Credentials configured)
 - o Amazon EC2 Linux Machine (Uses AWS IAM Role Permissions)

• Download the eksctl on your machine linux cli

```
curl --silent --location
"https://github.com/weaveworks/eksctl/releases/latest/download/eksctl_$(uname -
s)_amd64.tar.gz" | tar xz -C /tmp
sudo mv /tmp/eksctl /usr/local/bin
```

• The IAM account used for EKS cluster creation should have these minimal access levels.

AWS Service	Access Level
CloudFormation	Full Access
EC2	Full: Tagging Limited: List, Read, Write
EC2 Auto Scaling	Limited: List, Write
EKS	Full Access
IAM	Limited: List, Read, Write, Permissions Management
Systems Manager	Limited: List, Read

Command to create EKS Cluster

```
eksctl create cluster \
--name test-eks-cluster \
--version 1.21 \
--region ap-south-1 \
--nodegroup-name eks-worker-nodegroup \
--node-type t2.micro \
--nodes 2
#####OUTPUT######
2022-01-26 01:53:53 [i] eksctl version 0.80.0
2022-01-26 01:53:53 [i] using region ap-south-1
2022-01-26 01:53:54 [i] setting availability zones to [ap-south-1b ap-south-1a
ap-south-1c]
2022-01-26 01:53:54 [i] subnets for ap-south-1b - public:192.168.0.0/19
private:192.168.96.0/19
2022-01-26 01:53:54 [i] subnets for ap-south-1a - public:192.168.32.0/19
private:192.168.128.0/19
2022-01-26 01:53:54 [i] subnets for ap-south-1c - public:192.168.64.0/19
private:192.168.160.0/19
2022-01-26 01:53:54 [i] nodegroup "ng-2564739d" will use "" [AmazonLinux2/1.21]
2022-01-26 01:53:54 [i] using Kubernetes version 1.21
2022-01-26 01:53:54 [i] creating EKS cluster "test-eks-cluster" in "ap-south-1"
region with managed nodes
2022-01-26 01:53:54 [i] will create 2 separate CloudFormation stacks for cluster
itself and the initial managed nodegroup
2022-01-26 01:53:54 [i] if you encounter any issues, check CloudFormation
console or try 'eksctl utils describe-stacks --region=ap-south-1 --cluster=test-
```

```
eks-cluster'
2022-01-26 01:53:54 [i] Kubernetes API endpoint access will use default of
{publicAccess=true, privateAccess=false} for cluster "test-eks-cluster" in "ap-
south-1"
2022-01-26 01:53:54 [i] CloudWatch logging will not be enabled for cluster
"test-eks-cluster" in "ap-south-1"
2022-01-26 01:53:54 [i] you can enable it with 'eksctl utils update-cluster-
logging --enable-types={SPECIFY-YOUR-LOG-TYPES-HERE (e.g. all)} --region=ap-south-
1 --cluster=test-eks-cluster'
2022-01-26 01:53:54 [i]
2 sequential tasks: { create cluster control plane "test-eks-cluster",
    2 sequential sub-tasks: {
       wait for control plane to become ready,
       create managed nodegroup "ng-2564739d",
   }
}
2022-01-26 01:53:54 [i] building cluster stack "eksctl-test-eks-cluster-cluster"
2022-01-26 01:53:55 [i] deploying stack "eksctl-test-eks-cluster-cluster"
2022-01-26 01:54:25 [i] waiting for CloudFormation stack "eksctl-test-eks-
cluster-cluster"
#####OUTPUT######
```

• Install kubect1 linux utility on your local linux client.

```
curl -o kubectl https://amazon-eks.s3.us-west-2.amazonaws.com/1.21.2/2021-07-
05/bin/linux/amd64/kubectl
chmod +x ./kubectl
mkdir -p $HOME/bin && cp ./kubectl $HOME/bin/kubectl && export
PATH=$PATH:$HOME/bin
echo 'export PATH=$PATH:$HOME/bin' >> ~/.bashrc
```

```
# View the Local kubeconfig file
kubectl config view
# This command shows content inside the ~/.kube/config file
#####OUTPUT######
apiVersion: v1
clusters:
- cluster:
    certificate-authority-data: DATA+OMITTED
    server: https://00D6914D1CB90D39116178B3A9A2ECA6.yl4.ap-south-
1.eks.amazonaws.com
 name: test-eks-cluster.ap-south-1.eksctl.io
contexts:
- context:
   cluster: test-eks-cluster.ap-south-1.eksctl.io
    user: ansible-user@test-eks-cluster.ap-south-1.eksctl.io
 name: ansible-user@test-eks-cluster.ap-south-1.eksctl.io
current-context: ansible-user@test-eks-cluster.ap-south-1.eksctl.io
```

```
kind: Config
preferences: {}
users:
- name: ansible-user@test-eks-cluster.ap-south-1.eksctl.io
   exec:
      apiVersion: client.authentication.k8s.io/v1alpha1
      - eks
     - get-token
      - --cluster-name
      - test-eks-cluster
      - --region
      - ap-south-1
      command: aws
      env:
      - name: AWS_STS_REGIONAL_ENDPOINTS
        value: regional
      provideClusterInfo: false
#####OUTPUT######
```

When you create an Amazon EKS cluster, the AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) entity user or role that creates the cluster, is automatically granted system:masters permissions in the cluster's role-based access control (RBAC) configuration in the Amazon EKS control plane. This IAM entity doesn't appear in any visible configuration, so make sure to keep track of which IAM entity originally created the cluster.

Validate the CloudFormation Template Resources created with above command.

Verify Cluster, NodeGroup in EKS Management Console

Go to Services -> Elastic Kubernetes Service

List Worker Nodes

```
# List EKS clusters
eksctl get cluster

# List NodeGroups in a cluster
eksctl get nodegroup --cluster=<clusterName>

# List Nodes in current kubernetes cluster
kubectl get nodes -o wide

# Our kubectl context should be automatically changed to new cluster
kubectl config view --minify
```

kubectl commands

• Create the Deployment by running the following command:

```
kubectl apply -f https://k8s.io/examples/controllers/nginx-deployment.yaml
[cloudshell-user@ip-10-0-50-112 ~]$ kubectl get events
LAST SEEN TYPE
                   REASON
                                         OBJECT
MESSAGE
2m48s
           Normal
                     Scheduled
                                         pod/nginx-deployment-66b6c48dd5-qkst9
Successfully assigned default/nginx-deployment-66b6c48dd5-qkst9 to ip-192-168-21-
139.ap-south-1.compute.internal
           Normal
2m47s
                    Pulling
                                         pod/nginx-deployment-66b6c48dd5-qkst9
Pulling image "nginx:1.14.2"
          Normal
                    Pulled
                                        pod/nginx-deployment-66b6c48dd5-qkst9
2m38s
Successfully pulled image "nginx:1.14.2" in 9.12123707s
2m37s
           Normal
                    Created
                                        pod/nginx-deployment-66b6c48dd5-qkst9
Created container nginx
2m37s
           Normal
                    Started
                                        pod/nginx-deployment-66b6c48dd5-qkst9
Started container nginx
37s
           Warning FailedScheduling
                                        pod/nginx-deployment-66b6c48dd5-x92pj
0/2 nodes are available: 2 Too many pods.
          Normal Scheduled
                                        pod/nginx-deployment-66b6c48dd5-zb9bb
2m48s
Successfully assigned default/nginx-deployment-66b6c48dd5-zb9bb to ip-192-168-46-
56.ap-south-1.compute.internal
          Normal
2m47s
                   Pulling
                                        pod/nginx-deployment-66b6c48dd5-zb9bb
Pulling image "nginx:1.14.2"
2m37s
           Normal
                    Pulled
                                        pod/nginx-deployment-66b6c48dd5-zb9bb
Successfully pulled image "nginx:1.14.2" in 9.470360458s
                                        pod/nginx-deployment-66b6c48dd5-zb9bb
2m37s
           Normal
                     Created
Created container nginx
2m37s
           Normal
                     Started
                                         pod/nginx-deployment-66b6c48dd5-zb9bb
Started container nginx
2m48s
           Normal SuccessfulCreate
                                        replicaset/nginx-deployment-66b6c48dd5
Created pod: nginx-deployment-66b6c48dd5-zb9bb
2m48s
           Normal
                    SuccessfulCreate
                                        replicaset/nginx-deployment-66b6c48dd5
Created pod: nginx-deployment-66b6c48dd5-qkst9
2m48s
           Normal
                    SuccessfulCreate
                                        replicaset/nginx-deployment-66b6c48dd5
Created pod: nginx-deployment-66b6c48dd5-x92pj
2m48s
           Normal ScalingReplicaSet deployment/nginx-deployment
Scaled up replica set nginx-deployment-66b6c48dd5 to 3
kubectl describe pods -n default > pods.txt
cat pods.txt
Name:
             nginx-deployment-66b6c48dd5-qkst9
             default
Namespace:
Priority:
             ip-192-168-21-139.ap-south-1.compute.internal/192.168.21.139
Node:
Start Time:
             Wed, 02 Feb 2022 19:29:23 +0000
Labels:
             app=nginx
```

```
pod-template-hash=66b6c48dd5
Annotations:
             kubernetes.io/psp: eks.privileged
Status:
             Running
IP:
             192.168.15.247
IPs:
  IP:
               192.168.15.247
Controlled By: ReplicaSet/nginx-deployment-66b6c48dd5
Containers:
 nginx:
   Container ID:
docker://cb8aaf025035aa3a81d05f1598efbfc945bbe4ae01558a0ee0dee02942f32175
   Image:
                   nginx:1.14.2
                   docker-
    Image ID:
pullable://nginx@sha256:f7988fb6c02e0ce69257d9bd9cf37ae20a60f1df7563c3a2a6abe24160
306b8d
    Port:
                   80/TCP
   Host Port:
                   0/TCP
   State:
                   Running
                   Wed, 02 Feb 2022 19:29:34 +0000
     Started:
    Ready:
                   True
    Restart Count: 0
    Environment:
                   <none>
   Mounts:
      /var/run/secrets/kubernetes.io/serviceaccount from kube-api-access-5qrpp
(ro)
Conditions:
                   Status
 Type
 Initialized
                   True
 Ready
                   True
 ContainersReady
                   True
 PodScheduled
                   True
Volumes:
  kube-api-access-5qrpp:
                             Projected (a volume that contains injected data from
    Type:
multiple sources)
   TokenExpirationSeconds: 3607
    ConfigMapName:
                            kube-root-ca.crt
    ConfigMapOptional:
                            <nil>
   DownwardAPI:
                            true
QoS Class:
                            BestEffort
Node-Selectors:
                            <none>
Tolerations:
                            node.kubernetes.io/not-ready:NoExecute op=Exists for
300s
                             node.kubernetes.io/unreachable:NoExecute op=Exists
for 300s
Events:
        Reason
                    Age
                           From
                                              Message
 Type
 Normal Scheduled 9m3s default-scheduler Successfully assigned
default/nginx-deployment-66b6c48dd5-qkst9 to ip-192-168-21-139.ap-south-
1.compute.internal
 Normal Pulling
                    9m2s
                                              Pulling image "nginx:1.14.2"
                           kubelet
  Normal Pulled
                    8m53s kubelet
                                              Successfully pulled image
"nginx:1.14.2" in 9.12123707s
```

Normal Created 8m52s kubelet Created container nginx
Normal Started 8m52s kubelet Started container nginx

Name: nginx-deployment-66b6c48dd5-x92pj

Namespace: default

Priority: 0
Node: <none>
Labels: app=nginx

pod-template-hash=66b6c48dd5

Annotations: kubernetes.io/psp: eks.privileged

Status: Pending

IP:

IPs: <none>

Controlled By: ReplicaSet/nginx-deployment-66b6c48dd5

Containers: nginx:

Image: nginx:1.14.2

Port: 80/TCP
Host Port: 0/TCP
Environment: <none>

Mounts:

/var/run/secrets/kubernetes.io/serviceaccount from kube-api-access-x7mxn

(ro)

Conditions:

Type Status PodScheduled False

Volumes:

kube-api-access-x7mxn:

Type: Projected (a volume that contains injected data from

multiple sources)

TokenExpirationSeconds: 3607

ConfigMapName: kube-root-ca.crt

ConfigMapOptional: <nil>
DownwardAPI: true

QoS Class: BestEffort Node-Selectors: <none>

Tolerations: node.kubernetes.io/not-ready:NoExecute op=Exists for

300s

node.kubernetes.io/unreachable:NoExecute op=Exists

for 300s Events:

Type Reason Age From Message

Warning FailedScheduling 52s (x9 over 9m3s) default-scheduler 0/2 nodes are

available: 2 Too many pods.

Name: nginx-deployment-66b6c48dd5-zb9bb

Namespace: default

Priority: 0

Node: ip-192-168-46-56.ap-south-1.compute.internal/192.168.46.56

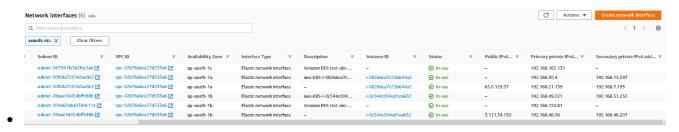
Start Time: Wed, 02 Feb 2022 19:29:23 +0000

Labels: app=nginx

```
pod-template-hash=66b6c48dd5
Annotations:
             kubernetes.io/psp: eks.privileged
Status:
             Running
IP:
             192.168.51.252
IPs:
  IP:
               192.168.51.252
Controlled By: ReplicaSet/nginx-deployment-66b6c48dd5
Containers:
 nginx:
   Container ID:
docker://9558a069050aba846aa62160509592ebb85dd82d1d90504bc5b03665a0259d47
   Image:
                   nginx:1.14.2
                   docker-
    Image ID:
pullable://nginx@sha256:f7988fb6c02e0ce69257d9bd9cf37ae20a60f1df7563c3a2a6abe24160
306b8d
    Port:
                   80/TCP
   Host Port:
                   0/TCP
   State:
                   Running
                   Wed, 02 Feb 2022 19:29:34 +0000
     Started:
    Ready:
                   True
    Restart Count: 0
    Environment:
                   <none>
   Mounts:
      /var/run/secrets/kubernetes.io/serviceaccount from kube-api-access-tnsxj
(ro)
Conditions:
                   Status
 Type
 Initialized
                   True
 Ready
                   True
 ContainersReady
                   True
 PodScheduled
                   True
Volumes:
  kube-api-access-tnsxj:
                            Projected (a volume that contains injected data from
    Type:
multiple sources)
   TokenExpirationSeconds: 3607
    ConfigMapName:
                            kube-root-ca.crt
    ConfigMapOptional:
                            <nil>
   DownwardAPI:
                            true
QoS Class:
                            BestEffort
Node-Selectors:
                            <none>
Tolerations:
                            node.kubernetes.io/not-ready:NoExecute op=Exists for
300s
                            node.kubernetes.io/unreachable:NoExecute op=Exists
for 300s
Events:
        Reason
                    Age
                           From
                                              Message
 Type
 Normal Scheduled 9m3s default-scheduler Successfully assigned
default/nginx-deployment-66b6c48dd5-zb9bb to ip-192-168-46-56.ap-south-
1.compute.internal
 Normal Pulling
                    9m2s
                                              Pulling image "nginx:1.14.2"
                           kubelet
  Normal Pulled
                    8m52s kubelet
                                              Successfully pulled image
"nginx:1.14.2" in 9.470360458s
```

Normal	Created	8m52s	kubelet	Created container	nginx
Normal	Started	8m52s	kubelet	Started container	nginx

• The above command shows pods details where the pod gets an IP from ENI in the Subnet.



- AWS EKS supports native VPC networking with the Amazon VPC Container Network Interface (CNI) plugin for Kubernetes.
- Using this plugin allows Kubernetes Pods to have the same IP address inside the pod as they do on the VPC network.
- For more information, see amazon-vpc-cni-k8s and Proposal: CNI plugin for Kubernetes networking over AWS VPC on GitHub.
- The Amazon VPC CNI plugin is fully supported for use on Amazon EKS and self-managed Kubernetes clusters on AWS.
- Refer the ENI Limit as per Instance Type : https://docs.aws.amazon.com/AWSEC2/latest/UserGuide/using-eni.html#AvailableIpPerENI
 - The formula for defining the maximum number of Pods per EC2 Node instance is as follows:
 - N * (M-1) + 2
 - N is the number of Elastic Network Interfaces (ENI) of the instance type
 - M is the number of IP addresses per ENI.
 - For e.g. **t2.micro** instance, this calculation is 2 * (2-1) + 2 = 4 Pods
- Use below command to get details on same:

	.) - - - - -	pe: InstanceType, MaxENI:
NetworkIn	fo.MaximumNe	etworkInterfaces, IPv4addr:
NetworkIn	fo.Ipv4Addre	essesPerInterface}"output table
•	DescribeInst	
		+
IPv4add	r MaxENI	Type
+	+	++
15	3	t2.2xlarge
2	2	t2.micro
12	3	t2.large
15	3	t2.xlarge
4	3	t2.small
2	2	t2.nano
6	3	t2.medium

```
+----+
kubectl get pods --all-namespaces -o wide
kubectl get pods --all-namespaces -o wide | grep -i running
[cloudshell-user@ip-10-0-50-112 ~]$ kubectl get pods --all-namespaces -o wide |
grep -i running
default
             nginx-deployment-66b6c48dd5-qkst9 1/1
                                                     Running 0 38m
192.168.15.247 ip-192-168-21-139.ap-south-1.compute.internal
default nginx-deployment-66b6c48dd5-zb9bb 1/1
                                                     Running 0 38m
192.168.51.252 ip-192-168-46-56.ap-south-1.compute.internal
kube-system aws-node-jls58
                                              1/1
                                                     Running 0 125m
192.168.46.56 ip-192-168-46-56.ap-south-1.compute.internal
kube-system aws-node-tmwl2
                                              1/1
                                                     Running 0 125m
192.168.21.139 ip-192-168-21-139.ap-south-1.compute.internal
kube-system coredns-7f95bc96cc-d16dn
                                                     Running 0 135m
                                             1/1
192.168.46.207 ip-192-168-46-56.ap-south-1.compute.internal
kube-system coredns-7f95bc96cc-fj56b
                                             1/1
                                                     Running 0 135m
192.168.7.193 ip-192-168-21-139.ap-south-1.compute.internal
                                                     Running 0 125m
kube-system kube-proxy-dqlph
                                             1/1
192.168.21.139 ip-192-168-21-139.ap-south-1.compute.internal
kube-system kube-proxy-xlpfk
                                                     Running 0 125m
                                             1/1
192.168.46.56 ip-192-168-46-56.ap-south-1.compute.internal
[cloudshell-user@ip-10-0-50-112 ~]$
```

• Delete the cluster using

```
eksctl delete cluster --name test-eks-cluster
```

Reference

- EKS Cost Optimization
- Kubernetes instance calculator

EKS Cluster Pricing

• EKS is not free (Unlike other AWS Services), In short, no free-tier for EKS.

EKS Cluster Pricing

- Below is the EKS Cluster Pricing:
 - \$0.10/hour
 - \$2.4/day
 - o \$72/month

EKS Worker Nodes Pricing-EC2

- You pay for AWS resources (e.g. EC2 instances or EBS volumes)
- T3 Medium Server in N.Virginia
 - \$0.0416 per Hour

- Per Day: \$0.9984 Approximately \$1
- o Per Month: \$30 per 1 t3.medium server
- Reference: https://aws.amazon.com/ec2/pricing/on-demand/