

Service Accounts in Kubernetes

A Service Account in Kubernetes is an identity that Pods can use to interact with the Kubernetes API. It's often used to give a Pod permissions to access Kubernetes resources, like reading or modifying resources (e.g., ConfigMaps, Secrets).

1. Service Account Example

By default, Pods run with the default Service Account, but you can create custom Service Accounts to provide more control over the permissions.
Creating a Service Account YAML:

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: ServiceAccount
metadata:
  name: my-service-account
```

Creating the Service Account using kubectl:

```
kubectl apply -f service-account.yaml
```

2. Assigning a Service Account to a Pod

Once the Service Account is created, you can assign it to a Pod using the `serviceAccountName` field in the Pod specification:

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: Pod
metadata:
  name: mypod
spec:
  serviceAccountName: my-service-account
  containers:
    - name: mycontainer
      image: nginx
```

Security Context

Security Context in Kubernetes

A Security Context in Kubernetes defines privilege and access control settings for Pod and Container. This includes settings like running containers as a non-root user, setting resource limits, or configuring security-related options (e.g., SELinux).

1. Example of a Pod with Security Context

Here's how you can define a Security Context for a Pod to run the container as a non-root user:

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: Pod
metadata:
  name: mypod
spec:
  securityContext:
    runAsUser: 1000 # Non-root user
    runAsGroup: 3000 # Group ID
```

```

    fsGroup: 2000      # Group ID for file system permissions
  containers:
  - name: mycontainer
    image: nginx
    securityContext:
      allowPrivilegeEscalation: false # Prevents privilege escalation

```

💡 Explanation:

runAsUser: Runs the container as a specific user (in this case, user 1000).

runAsGroup: Runs the container under a specific group (group 3000).

fsGroup: Grants the specified group permissions for the container's filesystem.

allowPrivilegeEscalation: Prevents the container from escalating privileges.

📖 2. Container-Level Security Context

A Security Context can also be applied specifically at the container level inside a Pod. For example, you can run a container as a privileged container or set capabilities:

```

apiVersion: v1
kind: Pod
metadata:
  name: mypod
spec:
  containers:
  - name: mycontainer
    image: nginx
    securityContext:
      privileged: true # Allows the container to run with elevated privileges
      capabilities:
        add:
        - NET_ADMIN # Add network admin capability

```

Service Account commands

1. Create a Service Account from a YAML file
 kubectl apply -f service-account.yaml

2. List all Service Accounts in the current namespace
 kubectl get serviceaccounts

3. Get detailed information about a specific Service Account
 kubectl describe serviceaccount <service-account-name>

4. Delete a Service Account
 kubectl delete serviceaccount <service-account-name>

5. Create a Pod with a specific Service Account
 kubectl apply -f pod-with-service-account.yaml

6. Assign a Service Account to a Pod (using `serviceAccountName` in YAML)
 kubectl apply -f pod-with-service-account.yaml

Security Context commands

7. Create a Pod with a Security Context (Pod level)
kubectl apply -f pod-with-security-context.yaml

8. Create a Pod with a container-level Security Context
kubectl apply -f pod-with-container-security-context.yaml

9. Get detailed information about a Pod's Security Context
kubectl describe pod <pod-name>

10. Edit a Pod's Security Context
kubectl edit pod <pod-name>

11. Delete a Pod
kubectl delete pod <pod-name>