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CKA Simulator Kubernetes 1.23

https://killer.sh

Pre Setup

Once you've gained access to your terminal it might be wise to spend ~1 minute to setup your environment. You could set these:

```
alias k=kubectl  # will already be pre-configured

export do="--dry-run=client -o yaml"  # k get pod x $do

export now="--force --grace-period 0"  # k delete pod x $now
```

Vim

To make vim use 2 spaces for a tab edit ~/.vimrc to contain:

```
set tabstop=2
set expandtab
set shiftwidth=2
```

More setup suggestions are in the **tips section**.

Question 1 | Contexts

Task weight: 1%

You have access to multiple clusters from your main terminal through kubect1 contexts. Write all those context names into /opt/course/1/contexts.

Next write a command to display the current context into <code>/opt/course/1/context_default_kubectl.sh</code>, the command should use <code>kubectl</code>.

Finally write a second command doing the same thing into [/opt/course/1/context_default_no_kubectl.sh], but without the use of kubectl.

Answer:

Maybe the fastest way is just to run:

```
k config get-contexts # copy manually
k config get-contexts -o name > /opt/course/1/contexts
```

Or using jsonpath:

```
k config view -o yaml # overview
k config view -o jsonpath="{.contexts[*].name}"
k config view -o jsonpath="{.contexts[*].name}" | tr " " "\n" # new lines
k config view -o jsonpath="{.contexts[*].name}" | tr " " "\n" > /opt/course/1/contexts
```

The content should then look like:

```
# /opt/course/1/contexts
k8s-c1-H
k8s-c2-AC
k8s-c3-CCC
```

Next create the first command:

```
# /opt/course/1/context_default_kubectl.sh
kubectl config current-context
```

```
→ sh /opt/course/1/context_default_kubectl.sh k8s-c1-H
```

And the second one:

```
# /opt/course/1/context_default_no_kubectl.sh
cat ~/.kube/config | grep current
```

```
→ sh /opt/course/1/context_default_no_kubectl.sh current-context: k8s-c1-H
```

In the real exam you might need to filter and find information from bigger lists of resources, hence knowing a little jsonpath and simple bash filtering will be helpful.

The second command could also be improved to:

```
# /opt/course/1/context_default_no_kubectl.sh
cat ~/.kube/config | grep current | sed -e "s/current-context: //"
```

Question 2 | Schedule Pod on Master Node

Task weight: 3%

Use context: kubectl config use-context k8s-c1-H

Create a single *Pod* of image [httpd:2.4.41-alpine] in *Namespace* default. The *Pod* should be named [pod1] and the container should be named [pod1-container]. This *Pod* should **only** be scheduled on a master *node*, do not add new labels any nodes.

Shortly write the reason on why *Pods* are by default not scheduled on master nodes into <code>/opt/course/2/master_schedule_reason</code> .

Answer:

First we find the master node(s) and their taints:

```
k get node # find master node

k describe node cluster1-master1 | grep Taint # get master node taints

k describe node cluster1-master1 | grep Labels -A 10 # get master node labels

k get node cluster1-master1 --show-labels # OR: get master node labels
```

Next we create the *Pod* template:

```
# check the export on the very top of this document so we can use $do
k run pod1 --image=httpd:2.4.41-alpine $do > 2.yaml
vim 2.yaml
```

Perform the necessary changes manually. Use the Kubernetes docs and search for example for tolerations and nodeSelector to find examples:

```
# 2.yaml
apiVersion: v1
kind: Pod
metadata:
  creationTimestamp: null
   run: pod1
 name: pod1
spec:
 containers:
 - image: httpd:2.4.41-alpine
                                         # change
   name: pod1-container
   resources: {}
 dnsPolicy: ClusterFirst
 restartPolicy: Always
                                         # add
  tolerations:
  - effect: NoSchedule
                                         # add
   key: node-role.kubernetes.io/master # add
                                         # add
   node-role.kubernetes.io/master: ""
                                         # add
status: {}
```

Important here to add the toleration for running on master nodes, but also the nodeSelector to make sure it only runs on master nodes. If we only specify a toleration the *Pod* can be scheduled on master or worker nodes.

Now we create it:

```
k -f 2.yaml create
```

Let's check if the pod is scheduled:

```
→ k get pod pod1 -o wide

NAME READY STATUS RESTARTS ... NODE NOMINATED NODE

pod1 1/1 Running 0 ... cluster1-master1 <none>
```

Finally the short reason why *Pods* are not scheduled on master nodes by default:

```
# /opt/course/2/master_schedule_reason
master nodes usually have a taint defined
```

Question 3 | Scale down StatefulSet

Task weight: 1%

Use context: kubectl config use-context k8s-c1-H

There are two *Pods* named o3db-* in *Namespace* project-c13. C13 management asked you to scale the *Pods* down to one replica to save resources. Record the action.

Answer:

If we check the *Pods* we see two replicas:

From their name it looks like these are managed by a *StatefulSet*. But if we're not sure we could also check for the most common resources which manage *Pods*:

```
→ k -n project-c13 get deploy,ds,sts | grep o3db statefulset.apps/o3db 2/2 2m56s
```

Confirmed, we have to work with a *StatefulSet*. To find this out we could also look at the *Pod* labels:

To fulfil the task we simply run:

```
→ k -n project-c13 scale sts o3db --replicas 1 --record
statefulset.apps/o3db scaled

→ k -n project-c13 get sts o3db

NAME READY AGE
o3db 1/1 4m39s
```

The **--record** created an annotation:

```
→ k -n project-c13 describe sts o3db

Name: o3db

Namespace: project-c13

CreationTimestamp: Sun, 20 Sep 2020 14:47:57 +0000

Selector: app=nginx

Labels: <none>

Annotations: kubernetes.io/change-cause: kubectl scale sts o3db --namespace=project-c13 --replicas=1 --record=true

Replicas: 1 desired | 1 total
```

Question 4 | Pod Ready if Service is reachable

Task weight: 4%

Use context: kubectl config use-context k8s-c1-H

Do the following in *Namespace* default. Create a single *Pod* named ready-if-service-ready of image nginx:1.16.1-alpine. Configure a LivenessProbe which simply runs true. Also configure a ReadinessProbe which does check if the url http://service-am-i-ready:80 is reachable, you can use wget -T2 -O- http://service-am-i-ready:80 for this. Start the *Pod* and confirm it isn't ready because of the ReadinessProbe.

Create a second *Pod* named am-i-ready of image nginx:1.16.1-alpine with label id: cross-server-ready. The already existing *Service* service-am-i-ready should now have that second *Pod* as endpoint.

Now the first *Pod* should be in ready state, confirm that.

Answer:

It's a bit of an anti-pattern for one *Pod* to check another *Pod* for being ready using probes, hence the normally available readinessProbe.httpGet doesn't work for absolute remote urls. Still the workaround requested in this task should show how probes and *Pod<->Service* communication works.

First we create the first Pod:

```
k run ready-if-service-ready --image=nginx:1.16.1-alpine $do > 4_pod1.yaml
vim 4_pod1.yaml
```

Next perform the necessary additions manually:

```
# 4_pod1.yaml
apiVersion: v1
kind: Pod
metadata:
 creationTimestamp: null
   run: ready-if-service-ready
 name: ready-if-service-ready
spec:
 containers:
 - image: nginx:1.16.1-alpine
   name: ready-if-service-ready
   resources: {}
                                                 # add from here
   livenessProbe:
       command:
       - 'true'
   readinessProbe:
     exec:
       command:
       - 'wget -T2 -O- http://service-am-i-ready:80' # to here
 dnsPolicy: ClusterFirst
 restartPolicy: Always
status: {}
```

Then create the Pod:

```
k -f 4_pod1.yaml create
```

And confirm its in a non-ready state:

```
→ k get pod ready-if-service-ready

NAME READY STATUS RESTARTS AGE

ready-if-service-ready 0/1 Running 0 7s
```

We can also check the reason for this using describe:

```
→ k describe pod ready-if-service-ready
...
Warning Unhealthy 18s kubelet, clusterl-worker1 Readiness probe failed: Connecting to service-am-i-ready:80
(10.109.194.234:80)
wget: download timed out
```

Now we create the second *Pod*:

```
k run am-i-ready --image=nginx:1.16.1-alpine --labels="id=cross-server-ready"
```

The already existing Service service-am-i-ready should now have an Endpoint:

```
k describe svc service-am-i-ready
k get ep # also possible
```

Which will result in our first *Pod* being ready, just give it a minute for the Readiness probe to check again:

```
→ k get pod ready-if-service-ready

NAME READY STATUS RESTARTS AGE

ready-if-service-ready 1/1 Running 0 53s
```

Look at these *Pods* coworking together!

Question 5 | Kubectl sorting

Task weight: 1%

Use context: kubectl config use-context k8s-c1-H

There are various *Pods* in all namespaces. Write a command into <code>/opt/course/5/find_pods.sh</code> which lists all *Pods* sorted by their AGE (metadata.creationTimestamp).

Write a second command into <code>/opt/course/5/find_pods_uid.sh</code> which lists all <code>Pods</code> sorted by field <code>metadata.uid</code>. Use <code>kubectl</code> sorting for both commands.

Answer:

A good resources here (and for many other things) is the kubectl-cheat-sheet. You can reach it fast when searching for "cheat sheet" in the Kubernetes docs.

```
# /opt/course/5/find_pods.sh
kubectl get pod -A --sort-by=.metadata.creationTimestamp
```

And to execute:

```
→ sh /opt/course/5/find_pods.sh

NAMESPACE NAME ... AGE

kube-system kube-scheduler-cluster1-master1 ... 63m

kube-system etcd-cluster1-master1 ... 63m

kube-system kube-apiserver-cluster1-master1 ... 63m

kube-system kube-controller-manager-cluster1-master1 ... 63m

...
```

For the second command:

```
# /opt/course/5/find_pods_uid.sh
kubectl get pod -A --sort-by=.metadata.uid
```

And to execute:

```
→ sh /opt/course/5/find_pods_uid.sh

NAMESPACE NAME ... AGE

kube-system coredns-5644d7b6d9-vwm7g ... 68m

project-c13 c13-3cc-runner-heavy-5486d76dd4-ddvlt ... 63m

project-hamster web-hamster-shop-849966f479-278vp ... 63m

project-c13 c13-3cc-web-646b6c8756-qsg4b ... 63m
```

Question 6 | Storage, PV, PVC, Pod volume

Task weight: 8%

Use context: kubectl config use-context k8s-c1-H

Create a new *PersistentVolume* named safari-pv. It should have a capacity of *2Gi*, accessMode *ReadWriteOnce*, hostPath /volumes/Data and no storageClassName defined.

Next create a new *PersistentVolumeClaim* in *Namespace* project-tiger named safari-pvc. It should request *2Gi* storage, accessMode *ReadWriteOnce* and should not define a storageClassName. The *PVC* should bound to the *PV* correctly.

Finally create a new *Deployment* safari in *Namespace* project-tiger which mounts that volume at /tmp/safari-data. The *Pods* of that *Deployment* should be of image httpd:2.4.41-alpine.

Answer

```
vim 6_pv.yaml
```

Find an example from https://kubernetes.io/docs and alter it:

Then create it:

```
k -f 6_pv.yaml create
```

Next the *PersistentVolumeClaim*:

```
vim 6_pvc.yaml
```

Find an example from https://kubernetes.io/docs and alter it:

```
# 6_pvc.yaml
kind: PersistentVolumeClaim
apiVersion: v1
metadata:
   name: safari-pvc
   namespace: project-tiger
spec:
   accessModes:
   - ReadWriteOnce
resources:
   requests:
   storage: 2Gi
```

Then create:

```
k -f 6_pvc.yaml create
```

And check that both have the status Bound:

```
→ k -n project-tiger get pv,pvc

NAME CAPACITY ... STATUS CLAIM ...

persistentvolume/safari-pv 2Gi ... Bound project-tiger/safari-pvc ...

NAME STATUS VOLUME CAPACITY ...

persistentvolumeclaim/safari-pvc Bound safari-pv 2Gi ...
```

Next we create a *Deployment* and mount that volume:

```
k -n project-tiger create deploy safari \
    --image=httpd:2.4.41-alpine $do > 6_dep.yaml

vim 6_dep.yaml
```

Alter the yaml to mount the volume:

```
# 6_dep.yaml
apiVersion: apps/v1
kind: Deployment
metadata:
    creationTimestamp: null
    labels:
        app: safari
    name: safari
    namespace: project-tiger
spec:
```

```
replicas: 1
selector:
 matchLabels:
   app: safari
strategy: {}
template:
 metadata:
   creationTimestamp: null
   labels:
     app: safari
 spec:
   volumes:
                                                 # add
   - name: data
                                                 # add
     persistentVolumeClaim:
                                                 # add
       claimName: safari-pvc
                                                 # add
   containers:
   - image: httpd:2.4.41-alpine
     name: container
     volumeMounts:
                                                 # add
     - name: data
                                                 # add
       mountPath: /tmp/safari-data
                                                 # add
```

```
k -f 6_dep.yaml create
```

We can confirm its mounting correctly:

```
→ k -n project-tiger describe pod safari-5cbf46d6d-mjhsb | grep -A2 Mounts:
    Mounts:
    /tmp/safari-data from data (rw) # there it is
    /var/run/secrets/kubernetes.io/serviceaccount from default-token-n2sjj (ro)
```

Question 7 | Node and Pod Resource Usage

Task weight: 1%

Use context: kubectl config use-context k8s-c1-H

The metrics-server hasn't been installed yet in the cluster, but it's something that should be done soon. Your college would already like to know the kubectl commands to:

- 1. show *node* resource usage
- 2. show Pod and their containers resource usage

Please write the commands into /opt/course/7/node.sh and /opt/course/7/pod.sh.

Answer:

The command we need to use here is top:

```
→ k top -h
Display Resource (CPU/Memory/Storage) usage.

The top command allows you to see the resource consumption for nodes or pods.

This command requires Metrics Server to be correctly configured and working on the server.

Available Commands:

node Display Resource (CPU/Memory/Storage) usage of nodes
pod Display Resource (CPU/Memory/Storage) usage of pods
```

We see that the metrics server is not configured yet:

```
→ k top node
error: Metrics API not available
```

But we trust the kubectl documentation and create the first file:

```
# /opt/course/7/node.sh
kubectl top node
```

For the second file we might need to check the docs again:

```
→ k top pod -h
Display Resource (CPU/Memory/Storage) usage of pods.
...
Namespace in current context is ignored even if specified with --namespace.
--containers=false: If present, print usage of containers within a pod.
--no-headers=false: If present, print output without headers.
...
```

With this we can finish this task:

```
# /opt/course/7/pod.sh
kubectl top pod --containers=true
```

Question 8 | Get Master Information

Task weight: 2%

Use context: kubectl config use-context k8s-c1-H

Ssh into the master node with ssh cluster1-master1. Check how the master components kubelet, kube-apiserver, kube-scheduler, kube-controller-manager and etcd are started/installed on the master node. Also find out the name of the DNS application and how it's started/installed on the master node.

Write your findings into file /opt/course/8/master-components.txt. The file should be structured like:

```
# /opt/course/8/master-components.txt
kubelet: [TYPE]
kube-apiserver: [TYPE]
kube-scheduler: [TYPE]
kube-controller-manager: [TYPE]
etcd: [TYPE]
dns: [TYPE] [NAME]
```

Choices of [TYPE] are: not-installed, process, static-pod, pod

Answer:

We could start by finding processes of the requested components, especially the kubelet at first:

```
→ ssh cluster1-master1
root@cluster1-master1:~# ps aux | grep kubelet # shows kubelet process
```

We can see which components are controlled via systemd looking at /etc/systemd/system directory:

```
→ root@cluster1-master1:~# find /etc/systemd/system/ | grep kube
/etc/systemd/system/kubelet.service.d
/etc/systemd/system/kubelet.service.d/10-kubeadm.conf
/etc/systemd/system/multi-user.target.wants/kubelet.service

→ root@cluster1-master1:~# find /etc/systemd/system/ | grep etcd
```

This shows kubelet is controlled via systemd, but no other service named kube nor etcd. It seems that this cluster has been setup using kubeadm, so we check in the default manifests directory:

```
→ root@cluster1-master1:~# find /etc/kubernetes/manifests/
/etc/kubernetes/manifests/
/etc/kubernetes/manifests/kube-controller-manager.yaml
/etc/kubernetes/manifests/etcd.yaml
/etc/kubernetes/manifests/kube-scheduler-special.yaml
/etc/kubernetes/manifests/kube-apiserver.yaml
/etc/kubernetes/manifests/kube-scheduler.yaml
```

(The kubelet could also have a different manifests directory specified via parameter --pod-manifest-path in it's systemd startup config)

This means the main 4 master services are setup as static *Pods*. There also seems to be a second scheduler **kube-scheduler-special** existing.

Actually, let's check all *Pods* running on in the kube-system *Namespace* on the master node:

```
→ root@cluster1-master1:~# kubectl -n kube-system get pod -o wide | grep master1
coredns-5644d7b6d9-c4f68 1/1 Running ... cluster1-master1
coredns-5644d7b6d9-t84sc
etcd-cluster1-master1
                                1/1 Running
                                                      ... cluster1-master1
                                1/1 Running
                                                      ... cluster1-master1
kube-apiserver-cluster1-master1 1/1 Running
                                                      ... cluster1-master1
kube-controller-manager-cluster1-master1 1/1 Running
                                                      ... cluster1-master1
                               1/1 Running
                                                      ... cluster1-master1
kube-proxy-q955p
kube-scheduler-cluster1-master1 1/1 Running ... cluster1-master1
kube-scheduler-special-cluster1-master1 0/1 CrashLoopBackOff ... cluster1-master1
                                        Running ... cluster1-master1
                         2/2
weave-net-mwj47
```

There we see the 5 static pods, with **-cluster1-master1** as suffix.

We also see that the dns application seems to be coredns, but how is it controlled?

```
→ root@cluster1-master1$ kubect1 -n kube-system get ds

NAME DESIRED CURRENT ... NODE SELECTOR AGE

kube-proxy 3 3 ... kubernetes.io/os=linux 155m

weave-net 3 3 ... <none> 155m

→ root@cluster1-master1$ kubect1 -n kube-system get deploy

NAME READY UP-TO-DATE AVAILABLE AGE

coredns 2/2 2 2 155m
```

Seems like coredns is controlled via a Deployment. We combine our findings in the requested file:

```
# /opt/course/8/master-components.txt
kubelet: process
kube-apiserver: static-pod
kube-scheduler: static-pod
kube-scheduler-special: static-pod (status CrashLoopBackOff)
kube-controller-manager: static-pod
etcd: static-pod
dns: pod coredns
```

You should be comfortable investigating a running cluster, know different methods on how a cluster and its services can be setup and be able to troubleshoot and find error sources.

Question 9 | Kill Scheduler, Manual Scheduling

Task weight: 5%

Use context: kubectl config use-context k8s-c2-AC

Ssh into the master node with ssh cluster2-master1. **Temporarily** stop the kube-scheduler, this means in a way that you can start it again afterwards.

Create a single Pod named manual-schedule of image httpd:2.4-alpine, confirm its created but not scheduled on any node.

Now you're the scheduler and have all its power, manually schedule that *Pod* on node cluster2-master1. Make sure it's running.

Start the kube-scheduler again and confirm its running correctly by creating a second *Pod* named manual-schedule2 of image httpd:2.4-alpine and check if it's running on cluster2-worker1.

Answer:

Stop the Scheduler

First we find the master node:

```
→ k get node

NAME STATUS ROLES AGE VERSION

cluster2-master1 Ready master 26h v1.23.1

cluster2-worker1 Ready <none> 26h v1.23.1
```

Then we connect and check if the scheduler is running:

```
→ ssh cluster2-master1

→ root@cluster2-master1:~# kubectl -n kube-system get pod | grep schedule
kube-scheduler-cluster2-master1 1/1 Running 0 6s
```

```
→ root@cluster2-master1:~# cd /etc/kubernetes/manifests/
→ root@cluster2-master1:~# mv kube-scheduler.yaml ..
```

And it should be stopped:

```
→ root@cluster2-master1:~# kubectl -n kube-system get pod | grep schedule
→ root@cluster2-master1:~#
```

Create a *Pod*

Now we create the *Pod*:

```
k run manual-schedule --image=httpd:2.4-alpine
```

And confirm it has no node assigned:

```
→ k get pod manual-schedule -o wide

NAME READY STATUS ... NODE NOMINATED NODE

manual-schedule 0/1 Pending ... <none> <none>
```

Manually schedule the Pod

Let's play the scheduler now:

```
k get pod manual-schedule -o yaml > 9.yaml
```

```
# 9.yaml
apiVersion: v1
kind: Pod
metadata:
 creationTimestamp: "2020-09-04T15:51:02Z"
 labels:
   run: manual-schedule
 managedFields:
   manager: kubectl-run
   operation: Update
   time: "2020-09-04T15:51:02Z"
 name: manual-schedule
 namespace: default
 resourceVersion: "3515"
 selfLink: /api/v1/namespaces/default/pods/manual-schedule
 uid: 8e9d2532-4779-4e63-b5af-feb82c74a935
 nodeName: cluster2-master1
                                   # add the master node name
 containers:
 - image: httpd:2.4-alpine
   imagePullPolicy: IfNotPresent
   name: manual-schedule
   resources: {}
   terminationMessagePath: /dev/termination-log
   terminationMessagePolicy: File
   volumeMounts:
    - mountPath: /var/run/secrets/kubernetes.io/serviceaccount
     name: default-token-nxnc7
     readOnly: true
  dnsPolicy: ClusterFirst
```

The only thing a scheduler does, is that it sets the nodeName for a *Pod* declaration. How it finds the correct node to schedule on, that's a very much complicated matter and takes many variables into account.

As we cannot kubectl apply or kubectl edit, in this case we need to delete and create or replace:

```
k -f 9.yaml replace --force
```

How does it look?

```
→ k get pod manual-schedule -o wide

NAME READY STATUS ... NODE

manual-schedule 1/1 Running ... cluster2-master1
```

It looks like our *Pod* is running on the master now as requested, although no tolerations were specified. Only the scheduler takes tains/tolerations/affinity into account when finding the correct node name. That's why its still possible to assign *Pods* manually directly to a master node and skip the scheduler.

Start the scheduler again

```
→ ssh cluster2-master1
→ root@cluster2-master1:~# cd /etc/kubernetes/manifests/
→ root@cluster2-master1:~# mv ../kube-scheduler.yaml .
```

Checks its running:

```
→ root@cluster2-master1:~# kubectl -n kube-system get pod | grep schedule
kube-scheduler-cluster2-master1 1/1 Running 0 16s
```

Schedule a second test *Pod*:

```
k run manual-schedule2 --image=httpd:2.4-alpine
```

```
→ k get pod -o wide | grep schedule
manual-schedule 1/1 Running ... cluster2-master1
manual-schedule2 1/1 Running ... cluster2-worker1
```

Back to normal.

Question 10 | RBAC ServiceAccount Role RoleBinding

Task weight: 6%

Use context: kubectl config use-context k8s-c1-H

Create a new ServiceAccount processor in Namespace project—hamster. Create a Role and RoleBinding, both named processor as well. These should allow the new SA to only create Secrets and ConfigMaps in that Namespace.

Answer:

Let's talk a little about RBAC resources

A ClusterRole | Role defines a set of permissions and where it is available, in the whole cluster or just a single Namespace.

A *ClusterRoleBinding* | *RoleBinding* connects a set of permissions with an account and defines **where it is applied**, in the whole cluster or just a single *Namespace*.

Because of this there are 4 different RBAC combinations and 3 valid ones:

- 1. Role + RoleBinding (available in single Namespace, applied in single Namespace)
- 2. ClusterRole + ClusterRoleBinding (available cluster-wide, applied cluster-wide)
- 3. ClusterRole + RoleBinding (available cluster-wide, applied in single Namespace)
- 4. Role + ClusterRoleBinding (NOT POSSIBLE: available in single Namespace, applied cluster-wide)

To the solution

We first create the ServiceAccount:

```
→ k -n project-hamster create sa processor serviceaccount/processor created
```

Then for the Role:

```
k -n project-hamster create role -h # examples
```

So we execute:

```
k -n project-hamster create role processor \
    --verb=create \
    --resource=secret \
    --resource=configmap
```

Which will create a Role like:

```
# kubectl -n project-hamster create role accessor --verb=create --resource=secret --resource=configmap
apiVersion: rbac.authorization.k8s.io/v1
kind: Role
metadata:
```

```
name: processor
namespace: project-hamster
rules:
- apiGroups:
- ""
resources:
- secrets
- configmaps
verbs:
- create
```

Now we bind the Role to the ServiceAccount:

```
k -n project-hamster create rolebinding -h # examples
```

So we create it:

```
k -n project-hamster create rolebinding processor \
    --role processor \
    --serviceaccount project-hamster:processor
```

This will create a RoleBinding like:

```
# kubectl -n project-hamster create rolebinding processor --role processor --serviceaccount project-hamster:processor
apiVersion: rbac.authorization.k8s.io/v1
kind: RoleBinding
metadata:
   name: processor
   namespace: project-hamster
roleRef:
   apiGroup: rbac.authorization.k8s.io
   kind: Role
   name: processor
subjects:
   kind: ServiceAccount
   name: processor
namespace: project-hamster
```

To test our RBAC setup we can use kubectl auth can-i:

```
k auth can-i -h # examples
```

Like this:

```
→ k -n project-hamster auth can-i create secret \
    --as system:serviceaccount:project-hamster:processor
yes

→ k -n project-hamster auth can-i create configmap \
    --as system:serviceaccount:project-hamster:processor
yes

→ k -n project-hamster auth can-i create pod \
    --as system:serviceaccount:project-hamster:processor
no

→ k -n project-hamster auth can-i delete secret \
    --as system:serviceaccount:project-hamster:processor
no

→ k -n project-hamster auth can-i get configmap \
    --as system:serviceaccount:project-hamster:processor
no
```

Done.

Question 11 | DaemonSet on all Nodes

Task weight: 4%

Use context: kubectl config use-context k8s-c1-H

Use Namespace [project-tiger] for the following. Create a DaemonSet named ds-important with image [httpd:2.4-alpine] and labels id=ds-important and [uuid=18426a0b-5f59-4e10-923f-c0e078e82462]. The Pods it creates should request 10 millicore cpu and 10 mebibyte memory. The Pods of that DaemonSet should run on all nodes, master and worker.

Answer:

As of now we aren't able to create a DaemonSet directly using kubectl, so we create a Deployment and just change it up:

```
k -n project-tiger create deployment --image=httpd:2.4-alpine ds-important $do > 11.yaml
vim 11.yaml
```

(Sure you could also search for a DaemonSet example yaml in the Kubernetes docs and alter it.)

Then we adjust the yaml to:

```
# 11.yaml
apiVersion: apps/v1
kind: DaemonSet
                                                   # change from Deployment to Daemonset
metadata:
 creationTimestamp: null
 labels:
                                                   # add
   id: ds-important
                                                   # add
   uuid: 18426a0b-5f59-4e10-923f-c0e078e82462
                                                   # add
 name: ds-important
 namespace: project-tiger
                                                   # important
 #replicas: 1
                                                   # remove
 selector:
   matchLabels:
     id: ds-important
     uuid: 18426a0b-5f59-4e10-923f-c0e078e82462
                                                   # add
  #strategy: {}
                                                   # remove
 template:
   metadata:
     creationTimestamp: null
     labels:
                                                   # add
       id: ds-important
       uuid: 18426a0b-5f59-4e10-923f-c0e078e82462 # add
   spec:
     containers:
     - image: httpd:2.4-alpine
       name: ds-important
       resources:
         requests:
                                                   # add
           cpu: 10m
                                                   # add
           memory: 10Mi
     tolerations:
                                                   # add
     - effect: NoSchedule
                                                   # add
       key: node-role.kubernetes.io/master
                                                   # add
#status: {}
                                                   # remove
```

It was requested that the *DaemonSet* runs on all nodes, so we need to specify the toleration for this.

Let's confirm:

```
k -f 11.yaml create
→ k -n project-tiger get ds
             DESIRED CURRENT READY UP-TO-DATE AVAILABLE NODE SELECTOR
ds-important 3
                               3
                      3
                                                             <none>
→ k -n project-tiger get pod -l id=ds-important -o wide
              READY STATUS
ds-important-6pvgm 1/1 ds-important-lh5ts 1/1
                              Running ... cluster1-worker1
                                             cluster1-master1
                              Running
ds-important-qhjcq 1/1
                              Running ...
                                             cluster1-worker2
```

Question 12 | Deployment on all Nodes

Task weight: 6%

Use context: kubectl config use-context k8s-c1-H

Use Namespace project-tiger for the following. Create a Deployment named deploy-important with label id=very-important (the Pods should also have this label) and 3 replicas. It should contain two containers, the first named container1 with image nginx:1.17.6-alpine and the second one named container2 with image kubernetes/pause.

There should be only ever **one** *Pod* of that *Deployment* running on **one** worker node. We have two worker nodes: cluster1-worker1 and cluster1-worker2. Because the *Deployment* has three replicas the result should be that on both nodes **one** *Pod* is running. The third *Pod* won't be scheduled, unless a new worker node will be added.

In a way we kind of simulate the behaviour of a DaemonSet here, but using a Deployment and a fixed number of replicas.

Answer:

There are two possible ways, one using podAntiAffinity and one using topologySpreadConstraint.

PodAntiAffinity

The idea here is that we create a "Inter-pod anti-affinity" which allows us to say a *Pod* should only be scheduled on a node where another *Pod* of a specific label (here the same label) is not already running.

Let's begin by creating the *Deployment* template:

```
k -n project-tiger create deployment \
    --image=nginx:1.17.6-alpine deploy-important $do > 12.yaml

vim 12.yaml
```

Then change the yaml to:

```
# 12.yaml
apiVersion: apps/v1
kind: Deployment
metadata:
 creationTimestamp: null
 labels:
  id: very-important
                                      # change
 name: deploy-important
 namespace: project-tiger
                                      # important
spec:
 replicas: 3
                                      # change
 selector:
   matchLabels:
     id: very-important
                                      # change
 strategy: {}
 template:
   metadata:
     creationTimestamp: null
     labels:
       id: very-important
                                      # change
   spec:
     containers:
     - image: nginx:1.17.6-alpine
       name: container1
                                      # change
      resources: {}
     - image: kubernetes/pause
                                     # add
       name: container2
                                     # add
                                                         # add
     affinity:
       podAntiAffinity:
         requiredDuringSchedulingIgnoredDuringExecution: # add
         - labelSelector:
                                                         # add
             matchExpressions:
                                                         # add
             - key: id
                                                         # add
                                                         # add
              operator: In
              values:
                                                         # add
               very-important
                                                         # add
           topologyKey: kubernetes.io/hostname
                                                         # add
status: {}
```

Specify a topologyKey, which is a pre-populated Kubernetes label, you can find this by describing a node

${\bf Topology Spread Constraints}$

We can achieve the same with topologySpreadConstraints. Best to try out and play with both.

```
# 12.yaml
apiVersion: apps/v1
kind: Deployment
metadata:
 creationTimestamp: null
 labels:
   id: very-important
                                        # change
 name: deploy-important
 namespace: project-tiger
                                        # important
spec:
 replicas: 3
                                        # change
 selector:
   matchLabels:
                                        # change
     id: very-important
  strategy: {}
```

```
template:
   metadata:
    creationTimestamp: null
    labels:
                                    # change
      id: very-important
   spec:
     containers:
     - image: nginx:1.17.6-alpine
                                    # change
      name: container1
      resources: {}
     - image: kubernetes/pause # add
      name: container2
                                    # add
     topologySpreadConstraints:
                                            # add
                                            # add
     - maxSkew: 1
       topologyKey: kubernetes.io/hostname
                                            # add
       whenUnsatisfiable: DoNotSchedule
                                            # add
       labelSelector:
                                            # add
                                            # add
        matchLabels:
          id: very-important
                                            # add
status: {}
```

Apply and Run

Let's run it:

```
k -f 12.yaml create
```

Then we check the *Deployment* status where it shows 2/3 ready count:

```
→ k -n project-tiger get deploy -l id=very-important

NAME READY UP-TO-DATE AVAILABLE AGE

deploy-important 2/3 3 2 2m35s
```

And running the following we see one *Pod* on each worker node and one not scheduled.

```
→ k -n project-tiger get pod -o wide -l id=very-important

NAME READY STATUS ... NODE

deploy-important-58db9db6fc-9ljpw 2/2 Running ... clusterl-workerl

deploy-important-58db9db6fc-lnxdb 0/2 Pending ... <none>

deploy-important-58db9db6fc-p2rz8 2/2 Running ... clusterl-worker2
```

If we kubectl describe the *Pod* deploy-important-58db9db6fc-lnxdb it will show us the reason for not scheduling is our implemented podAntiAffinity ruling:

Warning FailedScheduling 63s (x3 over 65s) default-scheduler 0/3 nodes are available: 1 node(s) had taint {node-role.kubernetes.io/master: }, that the pod didn't tolerate, 2 node(s) didn't match pod affinity/anti-affinity, 2 node(s) didn't satisfy existing pods anti-affinity rules.

Or our topologySpreadConstraints:

```
Warning FailedScheduling 16s default-scheduler 0/3 nodes are available: 1 node(s) had taint {node-role.kubernetes.io/master: }, that the pod didn't tolerate, 2 node(s) didn't match pod topology spread constraints.
```

Question 13 | Multi Containers and Pod shared Volume

Task weight: 4%

Use context: kubectl config use-context k8s-c1-H

Create a *Pod* named [multi-container-playground] in *Namespace* [default] with three containers, named [c1], [c2] and [c3]. There should be a volume attached to that *Pod* and mounted into every container, but the volume shouldn't be persisted or shared with other *Pods*.

Container c1 should be of image nginx:1.17.6-alpine and have the name of the node where its *Pod* is running available as environment variable MY_NODE_NAME.

Container c2 should be of image busybox:1.31.1 and write the output of the date command every second in the shared volume into file date.log. You can use while true; do date >> /your/vol/path/date.log; sleep 1; done for this.

Container c3 should be of image busybox:1.31.1 and constantly send the content of file date.log from the shared volume to stdout. You can use tail -f /your/vol/path/date.log for this.

Check the logs of container c3 to confirm correct setup.

Answer:

First we create the *Pod* template:

```
k run multi-container-playground --image=nginx:1.17.6-alpine $do > 13.yaml
vim 13.yaml
```

And add the other containers and the commands they should execute:

```
# 13.yaml
apiVersion: v1
kind: Pod
metadata:
 creationTimestamp: null
 labels:
   run: multi-container-playground
 name: multi-container-playground
 containers:
 - image: nginx:1.17.6-alpine
   name: c1
                                                                                   # change
   resources: {}
                                                                                   # add
   env:
   - name: MY_NODE_NAME
                                                                                   # add
     valueFrom:
                                                                                   # add
       fieldRef:
                                                                                   # add
         fieldPath: spec.nodeName
                                                                                   # add
   volumeMounts:
                                                                                   # add
                                                                                   # add
   - name: vol
     mountPath: /vol
                                                                                   # add
  - image: busybox:1.31.1
                                                                                   # add
   name: c2
                                                                                   # add
   command: ["sh", "-c", "while true; do date >> /vol/date.log; sleep 1; done"] # add
   volumeMounts:
   - name: vol
                                                                                   # add
     mountPath: /vol
                                                                                   # add
  - image: busybox:1.31.1
                                                                                   # add
                                                                                   # add
   name: c3
   command: ["sh", "-c", "tail -f /vol/date.log"]
                                                                                   # add
   volumeMounts:
                                                                                   # add
   - name: vol
                                                                                   # add
                                                                                   # add
     mountPath: /vol
 dnsPolicy: ClusterFirst
 restartPolicy: Always
                                                                                   # add
 volumes:
   - name: vol
                                                                                   # add
                                                                                   # add
     emptyDir: {}
status: {}
```

```
k -f 13.yaml create
```

Oh boy, lot's of requested things. We check if everything is good with the Pod:

```
→ k get pod multi-container-playground

NAME READY STATUS RESTARTS AGE

multi-container-playground 3/3 Running 0 95s
```

Good, then we check if container c1 has the requested node name as env variable:

```
→ k exec multi-container-playground -c c1 -- env | grep MY
MY_NODE_NAME=cluster1-worker2
```

And finally we check the logging:

```
→ k logs multi-container-playground -c c3

Sat Dec 7 16:05:10 UTC 2077

Sat Dec 7 16:05:11 UTC 2077

Sat Dec 7 16:05:12 UTC 2077

Sat Dec 7 16:05:13 UTC 2077

Sat Dec 7 16:05:14 UTC 2077

Sat Dec 7 16:05:15 UTC 2077

Sat Dec 7 16:05:16 UTC 2077
```

Question 14 | Find out Cluster Information

Task weight: 2%

You're ask to find out following information about the cluster k8s-c1-H:

- 1. How many master nodes are available?
- 2. How many worker nodes are available?
- 3. What is the Service CIDR?
- 4. Which Networking (or CNI Plugin) is configured and where is its config file?
- 5. Which suffix will static pods have that run on cluster1-worker1?

Write your answers into file /opt/course/14/cluster-info, structured like this:

```
# /opt/course/14/cluster-info
1: [ANSWER]
2: [ANSWER]
3: [ANSWER]
4: [ANSWER]
5: [ANSWER]
```

Answer:

How many master and worker nodes are available?

```
→ k get node

NAME STATUS ROLES AGE VERSION

cluster1-master1 Ready master 27h v1.23.1

cluster1-worker1 Ready <none> 27h v1.23.1

cluster1-worker2 Ready <none> 27h v1.23.1
```

We see one master and two workers.

What is the Service CIDR?

```
→ ssh cluster1-master1
→ root@cluster1-master1:~# cat /etc/kubernetes/manifests/kube-apiserver.yaml | grep range
- --service-cluster-ip-range=10.96.0.0/12
```

Which Networking (or CNI Plugin) is configured and where is its config file?

```
→ root@cluster1-master1:~# find /etc/cni/net.d/
/etc/cni/net.d/
/etc/cni/net.d/10-weave.conflist

→ root@cluster1-master1:~# cat /etc/cni/net.d/10-weave.conflist
{
    "cniVersion": "0.3.0",
    "name": "weave",
...
```

By default the kubelet looks into /etc/cni/net.d to discover the CNI plugins. This will be the same on every master and worker nodes.

Which suffix will static pods have that run on cluster1-worker1?

The suffix is the node hostname with a leading hyphen. It used to be -static in earlier Kubernetes versions.

Result

The resulting /opt/course/14/cluster-info could look like:

```
# /opt/course/14/cluster-info

# How many master nodes are available?
1: 1

# How many worker nodes are available?
2: 2

# What is the Service CIDR?
3: 10.96.0.0/12

# Which Networking (or CNI Plugin) is configured and where is its config file?
4: Weave, /etc/cni/net.d/10-weave.conflist

# Which suffix will static pods have that run on cluster1-worker1?
5: -cluster1-worker1
```

Question 15 | Cluster Event Logging

Task weight: 3%

Use context: kubectl config use-context k8s-c2-AC

Write a command into <code>/opt/course/15/cluster_events.sh</code> which shows the latest events in the whole cluster, ordered by time. Use <code>kubectl</code> for it.

Now kill the kube-proxy *Pod* running on node cluster2-worker1 and write the events this caused into /opt/course/15/pod_kill.log.

Finally kill the container of the kube-proxy *Pod* on node cluster2-worker1 and write the events into <code>/opt/course/15/container_kill.log</code>.

Do you notice differences in the events both actions caused?

Answer:

```
# /opt/course/15/cluster_events.sh
kubectl get events -A --sort-by=.metadata.creationTimestamp
```

Now we kill the kube-proxy *Pod*:

```
k -n kube-system get pod -o wide | grep proxy # find pod running on cluster2-worker1
k -n kube-system delete pod kube-proxy-z64cg
```

Now check the events:

```
sh /opt/course/15/cluster_events.sh
```

Write the events the killing caused into /opt/course/15/pod_kill.log:

```
# /opt/course/15/pod_kill.log
kube-system 9s Normal Killing
                                     pod/kube-proxy-jsv7t
kube-system 3s Normal SuccessfulCreate daemonset/kube-proxy
kube-system <unknown> Normal Scheduled pod/kube-proxy-m52sx ...
default 2s
                     Normal
                            Starting
                             Starting
Created
                                            node/cluster2-worker1 ...
                                            pod/kube-proxy-m52sx ...
kube-system 2s
                     Normal
kube-system 2s
                             Pulled
                     Normal
                                            pod/kube-proxy-m52sx ...
kube-system 2s
                     Normal
                             Started
                                            pod/kube-proxy-m52sx ...
```

Finally we will try to provoke events by killing the container belonging to the container of the kube-proxy *Pod*:

```
→ ssh cluster2-worker1:~# crictl ps | grep kube-proxy
le020b43c4423 36c4ebbc9d979 About an hour ago Running kube-proxy

→ root@cluster2-worker1:~# crictl rm le020b43c4423
le020b43c4423

→ root@cluster2-worker1:~# crictl ps | grep kube-proxy
0ae4245707910 36c4ebbc9d979 17 seconds ago Running kube-proxy ...
```

We killed the main container (1e020b43c4423), but also noticed that a new container (0ae4245707910) was directly created. Thanks Kubernetes!

Now we see if this caused events again and we write those into the second file:

```
# /opt/course/15/container_kill.log
kube-system 13s Normal Created pod/kube-proxy-m52sx ...
kube-system 13s Normal Pulled pod/kube-proxy-m52sx ...
kube-system 13s Normal Started pod/kube-proxy-m52sx ...
```

Comparing the events we see that when we deleted the whole *Pod* there were more things to be done, hence more events. For example was the *DaemonSet* in the game to re-create the missing *Pod*. Where when we manually killed the main container of the *Pod*, the *Pod* would still exist but only its container needed to be re-created, hence less events.

Question 16 | Namespaces and Api Resources

Task weight: 2%

Use context: kubectl config use-context k8s-c1-H

Create a new Namespace called cka-master.

Write the names of all namespaced Kubernetes resources (like *Pod*, *Secret*, *ConfigMap*...) into /opt/course/16/resources.txt.

Find the project-* Namespace with the highest number of Roles defined in it and write its name and amount of Roles into /opt/course/16/crowded-namespace.txt.

Answer:

Namespace and Namespaces Resources

We create a new Namespace:

```
k create ns cka-master
```

Now we can get a list of all resources like:

```
k api-resources # shows all
k api-resources -h # help always good
k api-resources --namespaced -o name > /opt/course/16/resources.txt
```

Which results in the file:

```
# /opt/course/16/resources.txt
bindings
configmaps
endpoints
events
limitranges
persistentvolumeclaims
podtemplates
replication controllers
resourcequotas
secrets
serviceaccounts
services
controllerrevisions.apps
daemonsets.apps
deployments.apps
replicasets.apps
statefulsets.apps
localsubjectaccessreviews.authorization.k8s.io
horizontalpodautoscalers.autoscaling
cronjobs.batch
jobs.batch
leases.coordination.k8s.io
events.events.k8s.io
ingresses.extensions
ingresses.networking.k8s.io
networkpolicies.networking.k8s.io
poddisruptionbudgets.policy
rolebindings.rbac.authorization.k8s.io
roles.rbac.authorization.k8s.io
```

Namespace with most Roles

```
→ k -n project-c13 get role --no-headers | wc -l
No resources found in project-c13 namespace.
0

→ k -n project-c14 get role --no-headers | wc -l
300

→ k -n project-hamster get role --no-headers | wc -l
No resources found in project-hamster namespace.
```

```
0

→ k -n project-snake get role --no-headers | wc -l
No resources found in project-snake namespace.

0

→ k -n project-tiger get role --no-headers | wc -l
No resources found in project-tiger namespace.

0
```

Finally we write the name and amount into the file:

```
# /opt/course/16/crowded-namespace.txt
project-c14 with 300 resources
```

Question 17 | Find Container of Pod and check info

Task weight: 3%

Use context: kubectl config use-context k8s-c1-H

In Namespace project-tiger create a Pod named tigers-reunite of image httpd:2.4.41-alpine with labels pod=container and container=pod. Find out on which node the Pod is scheduled. Ssh into that node and find the containerd container belonging to that Pod.

Using command crictl:

- 1. Write the ID of the container and the info.runtimeType into /opt/course/17/pod-container.txt
- 2. Write the logs of the container into /opt/course/17/pod-container.log

Answer:

First we create the *Pod*:

```
k -n project-tiger run tigers-reunite \
   --image=httpd:2.4.41-alpine \
   --labels "pod=container,container=pod"
```

Next we find out the node it's scheduled on:

```
k -n project-tiger get pod -o wide

# or fancy:
k -n project-tiger get pod tigers-reunite -o jsonpath="{.spec.nodeName}"
```

Then we ssh into that node and and check the container info:

Then we fill the requested file (on the main terminal):

```
# /opt/course/17/pod-container.txt
b01edbe6f89ed io.containerd.runc.v2
```

Finally we write the container logs in the second file:

```
ssh cluster1-worker2 'crictl logs b01edbe6f89ed' &> /opt/course/17/pod-container.log
```

The 🔊 in above's command redirects both the standard output and standard error.

You could also simply run crictl logs on the node and copy the content manually, if its not a lot. The file should look like:

```
# /opt/course/17/pod-container.log
AH00558: httpd: Could not reliably determine the server's fully qualified domain name, using 10.44.0.37. Set the 'ServerName' directive globally to suppress this message
AH00558: httpd: Could not reliably determine the server's fully qualified domain name, using 10.44.0.37. Set the 'ServerName' directive globally to suppress this message
[Mon Sep 13 13:32:18.555280 2021] [mpm_event:notice] [pid 1:tid 139929534545224] AH00489: Apache/2.4.41 (Unix) configured -- resuming normal operations
[Mon Sep 13 13:32:18.555610 2021] [core:notice] [pid 1:tid 139929534545224] AH00094: Command line: 'httpd -D FOREGROUND'
```

Question 18 | Fix Kubelet

Task weight: 8%

Use context: kubectl config use-context k8s-c3-CCC

There seems to be an issue with the kubelet not running on cluster3-worker1. Fix it and confirm that cluster has node cluster3-worker1 available in Ready state afterwards. You should be able to schedule a *Pod* on cluster3-worker1 afterwards.

Write the reason of the issue into /opt/course/18/reason.txt.

Answer:

The procedure on tasks like these should be to check if the kubelet is running, if not start it, then check its logs and correct errors if there are some.

Always helpful to check if other clusters already have some of the components defined and running, so you can copy and use existing config files. Though in this case it might not need to be necessary.

Check node status:

```
→ k get node

NAME STATUS ROLES AGE VERSION

cluster3-master1 Ready master 27h v1.23.1

cluster3-worker1 NotReady <none> 26h v1.23.1
```

First we check if the kubelet is running:

```
→ ssh cluster3-worker1

→ root@cluster3-worker1:~# ps aux | grep kubelet
root 29294 0.0 0.2 14856 1016 pts/0 S+ 11:30 0:00 grep --color=auto kubelet
```

Nope, so we check if its configured using systemd as service:

Yes, its configured as a service with config at [/etc/systemd/system/kubelet.service.d/10-kubeadm.conf], but we see its inactive. Let's try to start it:

```
→ root@cluster3-worker1:-# service kubelet status

• kubelet.service - kubelet: The Kubernetes Node Agent
Loaded: loaded (/lib/systemd/system/kubelet.service; enabled; vendor preset: enabled)

Drop-In: /etc/systemd/system/kubelet.service.d

—10-kubeadm.conf

Active: activating (auto-restart) (Result: exit-code) since Thu 2020-04-30 22:03:10 UTC; 3s ago

Docs: https://kubernetes.io/docs/home/

Process: 5989 ExecStart=/usr/local/bin/kubelet $KUBELET_KUBECONFIG_ARGS $KUBELET_CONFIG_ARGS $KUBELET_KUBEADM_ARGS
$KUBELET_EXTRA_ARGS (code=exited, status=203/EXEC)

Main PID: 5989 (code=exited, status=203/EXEC)

Apr 30 22:03:10 cluster3-worker1 systemd[5989]: kubelet.service: Failed at step EXEC spawning
//usr/local/bin/kubelet: No such file or directory
Apr 30 22:03:10 cluster3-worker1 systemd[1]: kubelet.service: Main process exited, code=exited, status=203/EXEC

Apr 30 22:03:10 cluster3-worker1 systemd[1]: kubelet.service: Failed with result 'exit-code'.
```

We see its trying to execute /usr/local/bin/kubelet with some parameters defined in its service config file. A good way to find errors and get more logs is to run the command manually (usually also with its parameters).

```
→ root@cluster3-worker1:~# /usr/local/bin/kubelet
-bash: /usr/local/bin/kubelet: No such file or directory

→ root@cluster3-worker1:~# whereis kubelet
kubelet: /usr/bin/kubelet
```

Another way would be to see the extended logging of a service like using journalctl -u kubelet.

Well, there we have it, wrong path specified. Correct the path in file /etc/systemd/system/kubelet.service.d/10-kubeadm.conf and run:

```
vim /etc/systemd/system/kubelet.service.d/10-kubeadm.conf # fix
systemctl daemon-reload && systemctl restart kubelet
systemctl status kubelet # should now show running
```

Also the node should be available for the api server, **give it a bit of time though**:

```
→ k get node

NAME STATUS ROLES AGE VERSION

cluster3-master1 Ready master 27h v1.23.1

cluster3-worker1 Ready <none> 27h v1.23.1
```

Finally we write the reason into the file:

```
# /opt/course/18/reason.txt
wrong path to kubelet binary specified in service config
```

Question 19 | Create Secret and mount into Pod

Task weight: 3%

Use context: kubectl config use-context k8s-c3-CCC

Do the following in a new *Namespace* secret. Create a *Pod* named secret-pod of image busybox:1.31.1 which should keep running for some time. It should be able to run on master nodes as well, create the proper toleration.

There is an existing Secret located at /opt/course/19/secret1.yaml, create it in the secret Namespace and mount it readonly into the Pod at /tmp/secret1.

Create a new Secret in Namespace secret called secret2 which should contain user=user1 and pass=1234. These entries should be available inside the Pod's container as environment variables APP_USER and APP_PASS.

Confirm everything is working.

Answer

First we create the *Namespace* and the requested *Secrets* in it:

```
k create ns secret

cp /opt/course/19/secret1.yaml 19_secret1.yaml

vim 19_secret1.yaml
```

We need to adjust the *Namespace* for that *Secret*:

```
# 19_secret1.yaml
apiVersion: v1
data:
   halt: IyEgL2Jpbi9zaAo...
kind: Secret
metadata:
   creationTimestamp: null
   name: secret1
   namespace: secret  # change
```

```
k -f 19_secret1.yaml create
```

Next we create the second Secret:

```
k -n secret create secret generic secret2 --from-literal=user=user1 --from-literal=pass=1234
```

Now we create the *Pod* template:

```
k -n secret run secret-pod --image=busybox:1.31.1 $do -- sh -c "sleep 5d" > 19.yaml
vim 19.yaml
```

Then make the necessary changes:

```
# 19.yaml
apiVersion: v1
kind: Pod
metadata:
 creationTimestamp: null
 labels:
  run: secret-pod
 name: secret-pod
                                    # add
 namespace: secret
spec:
 tolerations:
                                    # add
 - effect: NoSchedule
                                    # add
  key: node-role.kubernetes.io/master # add
 containers:
 - args:
  - sh
   - -c
   - sleep 1d
  image: busybox:1.31.1
  name: secret-pod
  resources: {}
                                    # add
  env:
   - name: APP_USER
                                    # add
    valueFrom:
                                    # add
      secretKeyRef:
                                    # add
       name: secret2
                                    # add
        key: user
                                    # add
   - name: APP_PASS
                                  # add
                                  # add
    valueFrom:
      secretKeyRef:
       name: secret2
                                  # add
                                  # add
                                    # add
   volumeMounts:
                                    # add
                                    # add
   - name: secret1
    mountPath: /tmp/secret1 # add
    readOnly: true
                                    # add
 dnsPolicy: ClusterFirst
 restartPolicy: Always
 volumes:
                                    # add
                                    # add
 - name: secret1
                                    # add
   secret:
    secretName: secret1
                                    # add
status: {}
```

It might not be necessary in current K8s versions to specify the readOnly: true because it's the default setting anyways.

And execute:

```
k -f 19.yaml create
```

Finally we check if all is correct:

```
→ k -n secret exec secret-pod -- env | grep APP

APP_PASS=1234

APP_USER=user1
```

```
→ k -n secret exec secret-pod -- find /tmp/secret1
/tmp/secret1/..data
/tmp/secret1/halt
/tmp/secret1/..2019_12_08_12_15_39.463036797
/tmp/secret1/..2019_12_08_12_15_39.463036797/halt
```

```
    k -n secret exec secret-pod -- cat /tmp/secret1/halt
#! /bin/sh
### BEGIN INIT INFO

# Provides: halt
# Required-Start:
# Required-Stop:
# Default-Stop: 0
# Short-Description: Execute the halt command.
# Description:
...
```

All is good.

Question 20 | Update Kubernetes Version and join cluster

Task weight: 10%

Use context: kubectl config use-context k8s-c3-CCC

Your coworker said node cluster3-worker2 is running an older Kubernetes version and is not even part of the cluster. Update Kubernetes on that node to the exact version that's running on cluster3-master1. Then add this node to the cluster. Use kubeadm for this.

Answer:

Upgrade Kubernetes to cluster3-master1 version

Search in the docs for kubeadm upgrade: https://kubernetes.io/docs/tasks/administer-cluster/kubeadm/kubeadm-upgrade

```
→ k get node

NAME STATUS ROLES AGE VERSION

cluster3-master1 Ready control-plane, master 116m v1.23.1

cluster3-worker1 NotReady <none> 112m v1.23.1
```

Master node seems to be running Kubernetes 1.23.1 and cluster3-worker2 is not yet part of the cluster.

```
→ ssh cluster3-worker2

→ root@cluster3-worker2:~# kubeadm version
kubeadm version: &version.Info{Major:"1", Minor:"23", GitVersion:"v1.23.1",
GitCommit:"86ec240af8cbd1b60bcc4c03c20da9b98005b92e", GitTreeState:"clean", BuildDate:"2021-12-16T11:39:51Z",
GoVersion:"go1.17.5", Compiler:"gc", Platform:"linux/amd64"}

→ root@cluster3-worker2:~# kubectl version
Client Version: version.Info{Major:"1", Minor:"22", GitVersion:"v1.22.4",
GitCommit:"b695d79d4f967c403a96986f1750a35eb75e75f1", GitTreeState:"clean", BuildDate:"2021-11-17T15:48:33Z",
GoVersion:"go1.16.10", Compiler:"gc", Platform:"linux/amd64"}
The connection to the server localhost:8080 was refused - did you specify the right host or port?

→ root@cluster3-worker2:~# kubelet --version
Kubernetes v1.22.4
```

Here kubeadm is already installed in the wanted version, so we can run:

```
→ root@cluster3-worker2:~# kubeadm upgrade node
couldn't create a Kubernetes client from file "/etc/kubernetes/kubelet.conf": failed to load admin kubeconfig: open
/etc/kubernetes/kubelet.conf: no such file or directory
To see the stack trace of this error execute with --v=5 or higher
```

This is usually the proper command to upgrade a node. But this error means that this node was never even initialised, so nothing to update here. This will be done later using kubeadm join. For now we can continue with kubelet and kubectl:

```
→ root@cluster3-worker2:~# apt update
...

Fetched 5,775 kB in 2s (2,313 kB/s)

Reading package lists... Done

Building dependency tree

Reading state information... Done

90 packages can be upgraded. Run 'apt list --upgradable' to see them.

→ root@cluster3-worker2:~# apt show kubectl -a | grep 1.23

WARNING: apt does not have a stable CLI interface. Use with caution in scripts.

Version: 1.23.1-00
```

```
Version: 1.23.0-00
→ root@cluster3-worker2:~# apt install kubectl=1.23.1-00 kubelet=1.23.1-00
Reading package lists... Done
Building dependency tree
Reading state information... Done
The following packages will be upgraded:
 kubectl kubelet
2 upgraded, 0 newly installed, 0 to remove and 88 not upgraded.
Need to get 28.4 MB of archives.
After this operation, 2,976 kB of additional disk space will be used.
Get:1 https://packages.cloud.google.com/apt kubernetes-xenial/main amd64 kubectl amd64 1.23.1-00 [8,928 kB]
Get:2 https://packages.cloud.google.com/apt kubernetes-xenial/main amd64 kubelet amd64 1.23.1-00 [19.5 MB]
Fetched 28.4 MB in 2s (17.9 MB/s)
(Reading database ... 111951 files and directories currently installed.)
Preparing to unpack .../kubectl 1.23.1-00 amd64.deb ...
Unpacking kubectl (1.23.1-00) over (1.22.4-00) ...
Preparing to unpack .../kubelet_1.23.1-00_amd64.deb ...
Unpacking kubelet (1.23.1-00) over (1.22.4-00) ...
Setting up kubectl (1.23.1-00) ...
Setting up kubelet (1.23.1-00) ...
→ root@cluster3-worker2:~# kubelet --version
Kubernetes v1.23.1
```

Now we're up to date with kubeadm, kubectl and kubelet. Restart the kubelet:

```
→ root@cluster3-worker2:~# systemctl restart kubelet

→ root@cluster3-worker2:~# service kubelet status

XXX
```

We can ignore the errors and move into next step to generate the join command.

Add cluster3-master2 to cluster

First we log into the master1 and generate a new TLS bootstrap token, also printing out the join command:

```
→ ssh cluster3-master1:~# kubeadm token create --print-join-command
kubeadm join 192.168.100.31:6443 --token leqq11.1hlg4rw8mu7brv73 --discovery-token-ca-cert-hash
sha256:2e2c3407a256fc768f0d8e70974a8e24d7b9976149a79bd08858c4d7aa2ff79a

→ root@cluster3-master1:~# kubeadm token list
TOKEN TTL EXPIRES ...
mnkpfu.d21pu8zypbyumr3i 23h 2020-05-01T22:43:45z ...
poal3f.hnrs6i6ifetwii75 <forever> <never> ...
```

We see the expiration of 23h for our token, we could adjust this by passing the ttl argument.

Next we connect again to worker2 and simply execute the join command:

```
→ ssh cluster3-worker2
→ root@cluster3-worker2:~# kubeadm join 192.168.100.31:6443 --token leqq11.1hlg4rw8mu7brv73 --discovery-token-
3c9cf14535ebfac8a23a91132b75436b36df2c087aa99c433f79d531
[preflight] Running pre-flight checks
[preflight] Reading configuration from the cluster...
[preflight] FYI: You can look at this config file with 'kubectl -n kube-system get cm kubeadm-config -o yaml'
W0107 13:37:31.116994 37798 utils.go:69] The recommended value for "resolvConf" in "KubeletConfiguration" is:
/run/systemd/resolve/resolv.conf; the provided value is: /run/systemd/resolve/resolv.conf
[kubelet-start] Writing kubelet configuration to file "/var/lib/kubelet/config.yaml"
[kubelet-start] Writing kubelet environment file with flags to file "/var/lib/kubelet/kubeadm-flags.env"
[kubelet-start] Starting the kubelet
[kubelet-start] Waiting for the kubelet to perform the TLS Bootstrap...
This node has joined the cluster:
* Certificate signing request was sent to apiserver and a response was received.
* The Kubelet was informed of the new secure connection details.
Run 'kubectl get nodes' on the control-plane to see this node join the cluster.
→ root@cluster3-worker2:~# service kubelet status
kubelet.service - kubelet: The Kubernetes Node Agent
    Loaded: loaded (/lib/systemd/system/kubelet.service; enabled; vendor preset: enabled)
    Drop-In: /etc/systemd/system/kubelet.service.d
             10-kubeadm.conf
     Active: active (running) since Wed 2021-09-15 17:12:32 UTC; 42s ago
```

If you have troubles with kubeadm join you might need to run kubeadm reset.

This looks great though for us. Finally we head back to the main terminal and check the node status:

```
→ k get node

NAME STATUS ROLES AGE VERSION

cluster3-master1 Ready control-plane, master 24h v1.23.1

cluster3-worker1 Ready <none> 24h v1.23.1

cluster3-worker2 NotReady <none> 32s v1.23.1
```

Give it a bit of time till the node is ready.

```
→ k get node

NAME STATUS ROLES AGE VERSION

cluster3-master1 Ready control-plane, master 24h v1.23.1

cluster3-worker1 Ready <none> 24h v1.23.1

cluster3-worker2 Ready <none> 107s v1.23.1
```

We see cluster3-worker2 is now available and up to date.

Question 21 | Create a Static Pod and Service

Task weight: 2%

Use context: kubectl config use-context k8s-c3-CCC

Create a <code>Static Pod</code> named <code>my-static-pod</code> in <code>Namespace default</code> on cluster3-master1. It should be of image <code>nginx:1.16-alpine</code> and have resource requests for <code>lom</code> CPU and <code>20Mi</code> memory.

Then create a NodePort Service named static-pod-service which exposes that static Pod on port 80 and check if it has Endpoints and if its reachable through the cluster3-master1 internal IP address. You can connect to the internal node IPs from your main terminal.

Answer:

```
→ ssh cluster3-master1

→ root@cluster1-master1:~# cd /etc/kubernetes/manifests/

→ root@cluster1-master1:~# kubect1 run my-static-pod \
    --image=nginx:1.16-alpine \
    -o yaml --dry-run=client > my-static-pod.yaml
```

Then edit the [my-static-pod.yam1] to add the requested resource requests:

```
# /etc/kubernetes/manifests/my-static-pod.yaml
apiVersion: v1
kind: Pod
metadata:
 creationTimestamp: null
   run: my-static-pod
 name: my-static-pod
spec:
 containers:
  - image: nginx:1.16-alpine
   name: my-static-pod
   resources:
     requests:
       cpu: 10m
       memory: 20Mi
 dnsPolicy: ClusterFirst
 restartPolicy: Always
status: {}
```

```
→ k get pod -A | grep my-static

NAMESPACE NAME READY STATUS ... AGE

default my-static-pod-cluster3-master1 1/1 Running ... 22s
```

Now we expose that static *Pod*:

```
k expose pod my-static-pod-cluster3-master1 \
    --name static-pod-service \
    --type=NodePort \
    --port 80
```

This would generate a Service like:

```
# kubectl expose pod my-static-pod-cluster3-master1 --name static-pod-service --type=NodePort --port 80
apiVersion: v1
kind: Service
metadata:
 creationTimestamp: null
   run: my-static-pod
 name: static-pod-service
spec:
 ports:
 - port: 80
  protocol: TCP
   targetPort: 80
 selector:
   run: my-static-pod
 type: NodePort
status:
 loadBalancer: {}
```

Then run and test:

```
→ k get svc,ep -l run=my-static-pod

NAME TYPE CLUSTER-IP EXTERNAL-IP PORT(S) AGE

service/static-pod-service NodePort 10.99.168.252 <none> 80:30352/TCP 30s

NAME ENDPOINTS AGE
endpoints/static-pod-service 10.32.0.4:80 30s
```

Looking good.

Question 22 | Check how long certificates are valid

Task weight: 2%

Use context: kubectl config use-context k8s-c2-AC

Check how long the kube-apiserver server certificate is valid on <code>cluster2-master1</code>. Do this with openssl or cfssl. Write the exipiration date into <code>/opt/course/22/expiration</code>.

Also run the correct kubeadm command to list the expiration dates and confirm both methods show the same date.

Write the correct kubeadm command that would renew the apiserver server certificate into /opt/course/22/kubeadm-renew-certs.sh.

Answer:

First let's find that certificate:

```
→ ssh cluster2-master1:~# find /etc/kubernetes/pki | grep apiserver
/etc/kubernetes/pki/apiserver.crt
/etc/kubernetes/pki/apiserver-etcd-client.crt
/etc/kubernetes/pki/apiserver-etcd-client.key
/etc/kubernetes/pki/apiserver-kubelet-client.crt
/etc/kubernetes/pki/apiserver.key
/etc/kubernetes/pki/apiserver.key
```

Next we use openssl to find out the expiration date:

```
→ root@cluster2-master1:~# openssl x509 -noout -text -in /etc/kubernetes/pki/apiserver.crt | grep Validity -A2

Validity

Not Before: Jan 14 18:18:15 2021 GMT

Not After : Jan 14 18:49:40 2022 GMT
```

There we have it, so we write it in the required location on our main terminal:

```
# /opt/course/22/expiration
Jan 14 18:49:40 2022 GMT
```

And we use the feature from kubeadm to get the expiration too:

```
→ root@cluster2-master1:~# kubeadm certs check-expiration | grep apiserver

apiserver Jan 14, 2022 18:49 UTC 363d ca no

apiserver-etcd-client Jan 14, 2022 18:49 UTC 363d etcd-ca no

apiserver-kubelet-client Jan 14, 2022 18:49 UTC 363d ca no
```

Looking good. And finally we write the command that would renew all certificates into the requested location:

```
# /opt/course/22/kubeadm-renew-certs.sh
kubeadm certs renew apiserver
```

Question 23 | Kubelet client/server cert info

Task weight: 2%

Use context: kubectl config use-context k8s-c2-AC

Node cluster2-worker1 has been added to the cluster using kubeadm and TLS bootstrapping.

Find the "Issuer" and "Extended Key Usage" values of the cluster2-worker1:

- 1. kubelet **client** certificate, the one used for outgoing connections to the kube-apiserver.
- 2. kubelet **server** certificate, the one used for incoming connections from the kube-apiserver.

Write the information into file /opt/course/23/certificate-info.txt.

Compare the "Issuer" and "Extended Key Usage" fields of both certificates and make sense of these.

Answer:

To find the correct kubelet certificate directory, we can look for the default value of the <code>--cert-dir</code> parameter for the kubelet. For this search for "kubelet" in the Kubernetes docs which will lead to: https://kubernetes.io/docs/reference/command-line-tools-reference/kubelet. We can check if another certificate directory has been configured using <code>ps aux</code> or in <code>/etc/systemd/system/kubelet.service.d/10-kubeadm.conf</code>.

First we check the kubelet client certificate:

Next we check the kubelet server certificate:

We see that the server certificate was generated on the worker node itself and the client certificate was issued by the Kubernetes api. The "Extended Key Usage" also shows if its for client or server authentication.

More about this: https://kubernetes.io/docs/reference/command-line-tools-reference/kubelet-tls-bootstrapping

Question 24 | NetworkPolicy

Task weight: 9%

Use context: kubectl config use-context k8s-c1-H

There was a security incident where an intruder was able to access the whole cluster from a single hacked backend *Pod.*

To prevent this create a *NetworkPolicy* called np-backend in *Namespace* project-snake. It should allow the backend-* *Pods* only to:

- connect to db1-* Pods on port 1111
- connect to db2-* Pods on port 2222

Use the app label of *Pods* in your policy.

After implementation, connections from backend-* Pods to vault-* Pods on port 3333 should for example no longer work.

Answer:

First we look at the existing *Pods* and their labels:

```
→ k -n project-snake get pod

NAME READY STATUS RESTARTS AGE

backend-0 1/1 Running 0 8s

db1-0 1/1 Running 0 10s

vault-0 1/1 Running 0 10s

→ k -n project-snake get pod -L app

NAME READY STATUS RESTARTS AGE APP

backend-0 1/1 Running 0 3m15s backend

db1-0 1/1 Running 0 3m15s db1

db2-0 1/1 Running 0 3m17s db2

vault-0 1/1 Running 0 3m17s vault
```

We test the current connection situation and see nothing is restricted:

Now we create the NP by copying and chaning an example from the k8s docs:

```
vim 24_np.yaml
```

```
# 24_np.yaml
apiVersion: networking.k8s.io/v1
kind: NetworkPolicy
metadata:
 name: np-backend
 namespace: project-snake
 podSelector:
   matchLabels:
     app: backend
 policyTypes:
   - Egress
                                # policy is only about Egress
  egress:
                                # first rule
                                    # first condition "to"
     to:
      - podSelector:
         matchLabels:
           app: db1
                                    # second condition "port"
      ports:
      - protocol: TCP
```

The NP above has two rules with two conditions each, it can be read as:

```
allow outgoing traffic if:
  (destination pod has label app=db1 AND port is 1111)
  OR
  (destination pod has label app=db2 AND port is 2222)
```

Wrong example

Now let's shortly look at a wrong example:

```
# WRONG
apiVersion: networking.k8s.io/v1
kind: NetworkPolicy
metadata:
 name: np-backend
 namespace: project-snake
spec:
 podSelector:
  matchLabels:
    app: backend
 policyTypes:
  - Egress
 egress:
                            # first rule
                          # first condition "to"
    to:
    - podSelector:
                                 # first "to" possibility
       matchLabels:
         app: db1
                                   # second "to" possibility
     - podSelector:
       matchLabels:
         app: db2
     ports:
                               # second condition "ports"
     - protocol: TCP
                                  # first "ports" possibility
      port: 1111
                                   # second "ports" possibility
     - protocol: TCP
      port: 2222
```

The NP above has one rule with two conditions and two condition-entries each, it can be read as:

```
allow outgoing traffic if:

(destination pod has label app=db1 OR destination pod has label app=db2)

AND

(destination port is 1111 OR destination port is 2222)
```

Using this NP it would still be possible for backend-* Pods to connect to db2-* Pods on port 1111 for example which should be forbidden.

Create NetworkPolicy

We create the correct *NP*:

```
k -f 24_np.yaml create
```

And test again:

```
→ k -n project-snake exec backend-0 -- curl -s 10.44.0.25:1111
database one

→ k -n project-snake exec backend-0 -- curl -s 10.44.0.23:2222
database two

→ k -n project-snake exec backend-0 -- curl -s 10.44.0.22:3333
^C
```

Also helpful to use kubectl describe on the NP to see how k8s has interpreted the policy.

Great, looking more secure. Task done.

Question 25 | Etcd Snapshot Save and Restore

Task weight: 8%

Use context: kubectl config use-context k8s-c3-CCC

Make a backup of etcd running on cluster3-master1 and save it on the master node at /tmp/etcd-backup.db.

Then create a *Pod* of your kind in the cluster.

Finally restore the backup, confirm the cluster is still working and that the created Pod is no longer with us.

Answer:

Etcd Backup

First we log into the master and try to create a snapshop of etcd:

```
→ ssh cluster3-master1
→ root@cluster3-master1:~# ETCDCTL_API=3 etcdctl snapshot save /tmp/etcd-backup.db
Error: rpc error: code = Unavailable desc = transport is closing
```

But it fails because we need to authenticate ourselves. For the necessary information we can check the etc manifest:

```
→ root@cluster3-master1:~# vim /etc/kubernetes/manifests/etcd.yaml
```

We only check the etcd.yaml for necessary information we don't change it.

```
# /etc/kubernetes/manifests/etcd.yaml
apiVersion: v1
kind: Pod
metadata:
 creationTimestamp: null
   component: etcd
   tier: control-plane
 name: etcd
 namespace: kube-system
spec:
 containers:
  - command:
   - etcd
   - --advertise-client-urls=https://192.168.100.31:2379
   - --cert-file=/etc/kubernetes/pki/etcd/server.crt
                                                                                # use
   - --client-cert-auth=true
    - --data-dir=/var/lib/etcd
    - --initial-advertise-peer-urls=https://192.168.100.31:2380
   - --initial-cluster=cluster3-master1=https://192.168.100.31:2380
   - --key-file=/etc/kubernetes/pki/etcd/server.key
                                                                                # use
   - --listen-client-urls=https://127.0.0.1:2379,https://192.168.100.31:2379
   - --listen-metrics-urls=http://127.0.0.1:2381
    - --listen-peer-urls=https://192.168.100.31:2380
   - --name=cluster3-master1
   - --peer-cert-file=/etc/kubernetes/pki/etcd/peer.crt
   - --peer-client-cert-auth=true
   - --peer-key-file=/etc/kubernetes/pki/etcd/peer.key
   - --peer-trusted-ca-file=/etc/kubernetes/pki/etcd/ca.crt
                                                                                # use
    - --snapshot-count=10000
    - --trusted-ca-file=/etc/kubernetes/pki/etcd/ca.crt
    image: k8s.gcr.io/etcd:3.3.15-0
    imagePullPolicy: IfNotPresent
    livenessProbe:
      failureThreshold: 8
      httpGet:
       host: 127.0.0.1
       path: /health
       port: 2381
       scheme: HTTP
      initialDelaySeconds: 15
      timeoutSeconds: 15
    name: etcd
    resources: {}
   volumeMounts:
    - mountPath: /var/lib/etcd
     name: etcd-data
    - mountPath: /etc/kubernetes/pki/etcd
     name: etcd-certs
  hostNetwork: true
  priorityClassName: system-cluster-critical
  volumes:
  - hostPath:
     path: /etc/kubernetes/pki/etcd
      type: DirectoryOrCreate
```

```
name: etcd-certs
- hostPath:
    path: /var/lib/etcd # important
    type: DirectoryOrCreate
    name: etcd-data
status: {}
```

But we also know that the api-server is connecting to etcd, so we can check how its manifest is configured:

We use the authentication information and pass it to etcdctl:

```
→ root@cluster3-master1:~# ETCDCTL_API=3 etcdctl snapshot save /tmp/etcd-backup.db \
--cacert /etc/kubernetes/pki/etcd/ca.crt \
--cert /etc/kubernetes/pki/etcd/server.crt \
--key /etc/kubernetes/pki/etcd/server.key
Snapshot saved at /tmp/etcd-backup.db
```

NOTE: Dont use snapshot status because it can alter the snapshot file and render it invalid

Etcd restore

Now create a *Pod* in the cluster and wait for it to be running:

```
→ root@cluster3-master1:~# kubectl run test --image=nginx
pod/test created

→ root@cluster3-master1:~# kubectl get pod -l run=test -w
NAME READY STATUS RESTARTS AGE
test 1/1 Running 0 60s
```

NOTE: If you didn't solve questions 18 or 20 and cluster3 doesn't have a ready worker node then the created pod might stay in a Pending state. This is still ok for this task.

Next we stop all controlplane components:

```
root@cluster3-master1:~# cd /etc/kubernetes/manifests/
root@cluster3-master1:/etc/kubernetes/manifests# mv * ..
root@cluster3-master1:/etc/kubernetes/manifests# watch crictl ps
```

Now we restore the snapshot into a specific directory:

```
→ root@cluster3-master1:~# ETCDCTL_API=3 etcdctl snapshot restore /tmp/etcd-backup.db \
--data-dir /var/lib/etcd-backup \
--cacert /etc/kubernetes/pki/etcd/ca.crt \
--cert /etc/kubernetes/pki/etcd/server.crt \
--key /etc/kubernetes/pki/etcd/server.key

2020-09-04 16:50:19.650804 I | mvcc: restore compact to 9935
2020-09-04 16:50:19.659095 I | etcdserver/membership: added member 8e9e05c52164694d [http://localhost:2380] to cluster cdf818194e3a8c32
```

We could specify another host to make the backup from by using etcdctl --endpoints http://IP, but here we just use the default value which is: http://127.0.0.1:2379,http://127.0.0.1:4001.

The restored files are located at the new folder /var/lib/etcd-backup, now we have to tell etcd to use that directory:

```
→ root@cluster3-master1:~# vim /etc/kubernetes/etcd.yaml
```

```
# /etc/kubernetes/etcd.yaml
apiVersion: v1
kind: Pod
metadata:
    creationTimestamp: null
    labels:
    component: etcd
    tier: control-plane
```

```
name: etcd
 namespace: kube-system
    - mountPath: /etc/kubernetes/pki/etcd
     name: etcd-certs
 hostNetwork: true
 priorityClassName: system-cluster-critical
 volumes:
  - hostPath:
     path: /etc/kubernetes/pki/etcd
     type: DirectoryOrCreate
   name: etcd-certs
  - hostPath:
     path: /var/lib/etcd-backup
                                                # change
     type: DirectoryOrCreate
   name: etcd-data
status: {}
```

Now we move all controlplane yaml again into the manifest directory. Give it some time (up to several minutes) for etcd to restart and for the api-server to be reachable again:

```
root@cluster3-master1:/etc/kubernetes/manifests# mv ../*.yaml .
root@cluster3-master1:/etc/kubernetes/manifests# watch crictl ps
```

Then we check again for the *Pod*:

```
→ root@cluster3-master1:~# kubectl get pod -l run=test
No resources found in default namespace.
```

Awesome, backup and restore worked as our pod is gone.

Extra Question 1 | Find Pods first to be terminated

Use context: kubectl config use-context k8s-c1-H

Check all available *Pods* in the *Namespace* project-c13 and find the names of those that would probably be terminated first if the *nodes* run out of resources (cpu or memory) to schedule all *Pods*. Write the *Pod* names into /opt/course/e1/pods-not-stable.txt.

Answer:

When available cpu or memory resources on the nodes reach their limit, Kubernetes will look for *Pods* that are using more resources than they requested. These will be the first candidates for termination. If some *Pods* containers have no resource requests/limits set, then by default those are considered to use more than requested.

Kubernetes assigns Quality of Service classes to *Pods* based on the defined resources and limits, read more here: https://kubernetes.io/docs/t asks/configure-pod-container/quality-service-pod

Hence we should look for *Pods* without resource requests defined, we can do this with a manual approach:

```
k -n project-c13 describe pod | less -p Requests # describe all pods and highlight Requests
```

Or we do:

```
k -n project-c13 describe pod | egrep "^(Name: | Requests:)" -A1
```

We see that the *Pods* of *Deployment* c13–3cc-runner-heavy don't have any resources requests specified. Hence our answer would be:

```
# /opt/course/e1/pods-not-stable.txt
c13-3cc-runner-heavy-65588d7d6-djtv9map
c13-3cc-runner-heavy-65588d7d6-v8kf5map
c13-3cc-runner-heavy-65588d7d6-wwpb4map
o3db-0
o3db-1 # maybe not existing if already removed via previous scenario
```

To automate this process you could use jsonpath like this:

```
→ k -n project-c13 get pod \
   -o jsonpath="{range .items[*]} {.metadata.name}{.spec.containers[*].resources}{'\n'}"

c13-2x3-api-86784557bd-cgs8gmap[requests:map[cpu:50m memory:20Mi]]
c13-2x3-api-86784557bd-lnxvjmap[requests:map[cpu:50m memory:20Mi]]
c13-2x3-api-86784557bd-mnp77map[requests:map[cpu:50m memory:20Mi]]
c13-2x3-web-769c989898-6hbgtmap[requests:map[cpu:50m memory:10Mi]]
c13-2x3-web-769c989898-g57nqmap[requests:map[cpu:50m memory:10Mi]]
```

```
c13-2x3-web-769c989898-hfd5vmap[requests:map[cpu:50m memory:10Mi]]
c13-2x3-web-769c989898-jfx64map[requests:map[cpu:50m memory:10Mi]]
c13-2x3-web-769c989898-r89mgmap[requests:map[cpu:50m memory:10Mi]]
c13-2x3-web-769c989898-wtgxlmap[requests:map[cpu:50m memory:10Mi]]
c13-3cc-runner-98c8b5469-dzqhrmap[requests:map[cpu:30m memory:10Mi]]
c13-3cc-runner-98c8b5469-hbtdvmap[requests:map[cpu:30m memory:10Mi]]
c13-3cc-runner-98c8b5469-n9lswmap[requests:map[cpu:30m memory:10Mi]]
c13-3cc-runner-heavy-65588d7d6-djtv9map[]
c13-3cc-runner-heavy-65588d7d6-v8kf5map[]
c13-3cc-runner-heavy-65588d7d6-wwpb4map[]
c13-3cc-web-675456bcd-glpq6map[requests:map[cpu:50m memory:10Mi]]
c13-3cc-web-675456bcd-knlpxmap[requests:map[cpu:50m memory:10Mi]]
c13-3cc-web-675456bcd-nfhp9map[requests:map[cpu:50m memory:10Mi]]
c13-3cc-web-675456bcd-twn7mmap[requests:map[cpu:50m memory:10Mi]]
o3db-0{}
o3db-1{}
```

This lists all Pod names and their requests/limits, hence we see the three Pods without those defined.

Or we look for the Quality of Service classes:

```
→ k get pods -n project-c13 \
 -o jsonpath="{range .items[*]}{.metadata.name} {.status.qosClass}{'\n'}"
c13-2x3-api-86784557bd-cgs8g Burstable
c13-2x3-api-86784557bd-lnxvj Burstable
c13-2x3-api-86784557bd-mnp77 Burstable
c13-2x3-web-769c989898-6hbgt Burstable
c13-2x3-web-769c989898-g57ng Burstable
c13-2x3-web-769c989898-hfd5v Burstable
c13-2x3-web-769c989898-jfx64 Burstable
c13-2x3-web-769c989898-r89mg Burstable
c13-2x3-web-769c989898-wtgxl Burstable
c13-3cc-runner-98c8b5469-dzqhr Burstable
c13-3cc-runner-98c8b5469-hbtdv Burstable
c13-3cc-runner-98c8b5469-n91sw Burstable
c13-3cc-runner-heavy-65588d7d6-djtv9 BestEffort
c13-3cc-runner-heavy-65588d7d6-v8kf5 BestEffort
c13-3cc-runner-heavy-65588d7d6-wwpb4 BestEffort
c13-3cc-web-675456bcd-glpq6 Burstable
c13-3cc-web-675456bcd-knlpx Burstable
c13-3cc-web-675456bcd-nfhp9 Burstable
c13-3cc-web-675456bcd-twn7m Burstable
o3db-0 BestEffort
o3db-1 BestEffort
```

Here we see three with BestEffort, which Pods get that don't have any memory or cpu limits or requests defined.

A good practice is to always set resource requests and limits. If you don't know the values your containers should have you can find this out using metric tools like Prometheus. You can also use kubectl top pod or even kubectl exec into the container and use top and similar tools.

Extra Question 2 | Curl Manually Contact API

Use context: kubectl config use-context k8s-c1-H

There is an existing ServiceAccount secret-reader in Namespace project-hamster. Create a Pod of image curlimages/curl:7.65.3 named tmp-api-contact which uses this ServiceAccount. Make sure the container keeps running.

Exec into the *Pod* and use **curl** to access the Kubernetes Api of that cluster manually, listing all available secrets. You can ignore insecure https connection. Write the command(s) for this into file **/opt/course/e4/list-secrets.sh**.

Answer:

https://kubernetes.io/docs/tasks/run-application/access-api-from-pod

It's important to understand how the Kubernetes API works. For this it helps connecting to the api manually, for example using curl. You can find information fast by search in the Kubernetes docs for "curl api" for example.

First we create our *Pod*:

```
k run tmp-api-contact \
   --image=curlimages/curl:7.65.3 $do \
   --command > e2.yaml -- sh -c 'sleep 1d'

vim e2.yaml
```

Add the service account name and Namespace:

```
# e2.yaml
apiVersion: v1
kind: Pod
metadata:
 creationTimestamp: null
 labels:
  run: tmp-api-contact
 name: tmp-api-contact
 namespace: project-hamster
                                  # add
spec:
 serviceAccountName: secret-reader # add
 containers:
 - command:
   - sh
   - -C
   - sleep 1d
  image: curlimages/curl:7.65.3
  name: tmp-api-contact
  resources: {}
 dnsPolicy: ClusterFirst
 restartPolicy: Always
status: {}
```

Then run and exec into:

```
k -f 6.yaml create
k -n project-hamster exec tmp-api-contact -it -- sh
```

Once on the container we can try to connect to the api using curl, the api is usually available via the Service named kubernetes in Namespace default (You should know how dns resolution works across Namespaces.). Else we can find the endpoint IP via environment variables running env.

So now we can do:

```
curl https://kubernetes.default
curl -k https://kubernetes.default # ignore insecure as allowed in ticket description
curl -k https://kubernetes.default/api/v1/secrets # should show Forbidden 403
```

The last command shows 403 forbidden, this is because we are not passing any authorisation information with us. The Kubernetes Api Server thinks we are connecting as system:anonymous. We want to change this and connect using the *Pods ServiceAccount* named secret-reader.

We find the token in the mounted folder at var/run/secrets/kubernetes.io/serviceaccount, so we do:

```
→ TOKEN=$(cat /var/run/secrets/kubernetes.io/serviceaccount/token)
→ curl -k https://kubernetes.default/api/v1/secrets -H "Authorization: Bearer ${TOKEN}"
 % Total % Received % Xferd Average Speed Time Time Current
               Dload Upload Total Spent Left Speed
 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
 "kind": "SecretList",
 "apiVersion": "v1",
 "metadata": {
   "selfLink": "/api/v1/secrets",
   "resourceVersion": "10697"
 },
 "items": [
     "metadata": {
       "name": "default-token-5zjbd",
       "namespace": "default",
       "selfLink": "/api/v1/namespaces/default/secrets/default-token-5zjbd",
       "uid": "315dbfd9-d235-482b-8bfc-c6167e7c1461",
       "resourceVersion": "342",
```

Now we're able to list all Secrets, registering as the ServiceAccount secret-reader under which our Pod is running.

To use encrypted https connection we can run:

```
CACERT=/var/run/secrets/kubernetes.io/serviceaccount/ca.crt
curl --cacert ${CACERT} https://kubernetes.default/api/v1/secrets -H "Authorization: Bearer ${TOKEN}"
```

For troubleshooting we could also check if the ServiceAccount is actually able to list Secrets using:

```
→ k auth can-i get secret --as system:serviceaccount:project-hamster:secret-reader yes
```

Finally write the commands into the requested location:

```
# /opt/course/e4/list-secrets.sh
TOKEN=$(cat /var/run/secrets/kubernetes.io/serviceaccount/token)
curl -k https://kubernetes.default/api/v1/secrets -H "Authorization: Bearer ${TOKEN}"
```

CKA Simulator Preview Kubernetes 1.23

https://killer.sh

This is a preview of the full CKA Simulator course content.

The full course contains 25 scenarios from all the CKA areas. The course also provides a browser terminal which is a very close replica of the original one. This is great to get used and comfortable before the real exam. After the test session (120 minutes), or if you stop it early, you'll get access to all questions and their detailed solutions. You'll have 36 hours cluster access in total which means even after the session, once you have the solutions, you can still play around.

The following preview will give you an idea of what the full course will provide. These preview questions are in addition to the 25 of the full course. But the preview questions are part of the same CKA simulation environment which we setup for you, so with access to the full course you can solve these too.

The answers provided here assume that you did run the initial terminal setup suggestions as provided in the tips section, but especially:

```
alias k=kubectl
export do="-o yaml --dry-run=client"
```

These questions can be solved in the test environment provided through the CKA Simulator

Preview Question 1

Use context: kubectl config use-context k8s-c2-AC

The cluster admin asked you to find out the following information about etcd running on cluster2-master1:

- Server private key location
- Server certificate expiration date
- Is client certificate authentication enabled

Write these information into /opt/course/p1/etcd-info.txt

Finally you're asked to save an etcd snapshot at /etc/etcd-snapshot.db on cluster2-master1 and display its status.

Answer:

Find out etcd information

Let's check the nodes:

```
→ k get node

NAME STATUS ROLES AGE VERSION

cluster2-master1 Ready master 89m v1.23.1

cluster2-worker1 Ready <none> 87m v1.23.1

→ ssh cluster2-master1
```

First we check how etcd is setup in this cluster:

```
→ root@cluster2-master1:~# kubectl -n kube-system get pod
NAME
                                       READY
                                               STATUS
                                                      RESTARTS AGE
coredns-66bff467f8-k8f48
                                       1/1
                                               Running 0
                                                                  26h
coredns-66bff467f8-rn8tr
                                               Running 0
                                       1/1
                                                                  26h
                                       1/1
etcd-cluster2-master1
                                               Running 0
                                                                  26h
                                               Running 0
                                       1/1
kube-apiserver-cluster2-master1
                                                                  26h
                                               Running 0
kube-controller-manager-cluster2-master1 1/1
                                                                  26h
                                               Running 0
                                       1/1
kube-proxy-qthfg
                                                                  25h
kube-proxy-z55lp
                                       1/1
                                               Running 0
                                                                  26h
kube-scheduler-cluster2-master1
                                       1/1
                                               Running 1
                                                                  26h
                                               Running 0
                                        2/2
weave-net-cqdvt
                                                                  26h
weave-net-dxzgh
                                        2/2
                                               Running
                                                       1
                                                                  25h
```

We see its running as a *Pod*, more specific a static *Pod*. So we check for the default kubelet directory for static manifests:

```
→ root@cluster2-master1:~# find /etc/kubernetes/manifests/
/etc/kubernetes/manifests/
/etc/kubernetes/manifests/kube-controller-manager.yaml
/etc/kubernetes/manifests/kube-apiserver.yaml
/etc/kubernetes/manifests/etcd.yaml
/etc/kubernetes/manifests/kube-scheduler.yaml
→ root@cluster2-master1:~# vim /etc/kubernetes/manifests/etcd.yaml
```

So we look at the yaml and the parameters with which etcd is started:

```
# /etc/kubernetes/manifests/etcd.yaml
apiVersion: v1
kind: Pod
metadata:
 creationTimestamp: null
 labels:
   component: etcd
   tier: control-plane
 name: etcd
 namespace: kube-system
 containers:
  - command:
   - etcd
   - --advertise-client-urls=https://192.168.102.11:2379
   - --cert-file=/etc/kubernetes/pki/etcd/server.crt
                                                                  # server certificate
   - --client-cert-auth=true
                                                                  # enabled
   - --data-dir=/var/lib/etcd
   - --initial-advertise-peer-urls=https://192.168.102.11:2380
   - --initial-cluster=cluster2-master1=https://192.168.102.11:2380
   - --key-file=/etc/kubernetes/pki/etcd/server.key
                                                                  # server private key
   - --listen-client-urls=https://127.0.0.1:2379,https://192.168.102.11:2379
   - --listen-metrics-urls=http://127.0.0.1:2381
   - --listen-peer-urls=https://192.168.102.11:2380
   - --name=cluster2-master1
   - --peer-cert-file=/etc/kubernetes/pki/etcd/peer.crt
   - --peer-client-cert-auth=true
   - --peer-key-file=/etc/kubernetes/pki/etcd/peer.key
   - --peer-trusted-ca-file=/etc/kubernetes/pki/etcd/ca.crt
   - --snapshot-count=10000
    - --trusted-ca-file=/etc/kubernetes/pki/etcd/ca.crt
```

We see that client authentication is enabled and also the requested path to the server private key, now let's find out the expiration of the server certificate:

```
→ root@cluster2-master1:~# openss1 x509 -noout -text -in /etc/kubernetes/pki/etcd/server.crt | grep Validity -A2

Validity

Not Before: Sep 13 13:01:31 2021 GMT

Not After : Sep 13 13:01:31 2022 GMT
```

There we have it. Let's write the information into the requested file:

```
# /opt/course/p1/etcd-info.txt
Server private key location: /etc/kubernetes/pki/etcd/server.key
Server certificate expiration date: Sep 13 13:01:31 2022 GMT
Is client certificate authentication enabled: yes
```

Create etcd snapshot

First we try:

```
ETCDCTL_API=3 etcdctl snapshot save /etc/etcd-snapshot.db
```

We get the endpoint also from the yaml. But we need to specify more parameters, all of which we can find the yaml declaration above:

```
ETCDCTL_API=3 etcdctl snapshot save /etc/etcd-snapshot.db \
--cacert /etc/kubernetes/pki/etcd/ca.crt \
--cert /etc/kubernetes/pki/etcd/server.crt \
--key /etc/kubernetes/pki/etcd/server.key
```

This worked. Now we can output the status of the backup file:

```
→ root@cluster2-master1:~# ETCDCTL_API=3 etcdctl snapshot status /etc/etcd-snapshot.db 4d4e953, 7213, 1291, 2.7 MB
```

The status shows:

- Hash: 4d4e953
- Revision: 7213

Total Keys: 1291Total Size: 2.7 MB

Preview Question 2

Use context: kubectl config use-context k8s-c1-H

You're asked to confirm that kube-proxy is running correctly on all nodes. For this perform the following in *Namespace* project-hamster:

Create a new *Pod* named [p2-pod] with two containers, one of image [nginx:1.21.3-alpine] and one of image [busybox:1.31]. Make sure the busybox container keeps running for some time.

Create a new Service named p2-service which exposes that Pod internally in the cluster on port 3000->80.

Find the kube-proxy container on all nodes cluster1-master1, cluster1-worker1 and cluster1-worker2 and make sure that it's using iptables. Use command crictl for this.

Write the iptables rules of all nodes belonging the created Service p2-service into file /opt/course/p2/iptables.txt.

Finally delete the Service and confirm that the iptables rules are gone from all nodes.

Answer:

Create the *Pod*

First we create the Pod:

```
# check out export statement on top which allows us to use $do
k run p2-pod --image=nginx:1.21.3-alpine $do > p2.yaml

vim p2.yaml
```

Next we add the requested second container:

```
# p2.yaml
apiVersion: v1
kind: Pod
metadata:
 creationTimestamp: null
 labels:
   run: p2-pod
 name: p2-pod
 namespace: project-hamster
                                        # add
spec:
 containers:
 - image: nginx:1.21.3-alpine
  name: p2-pod
 - image: busybox:1.31
                                       # add
   name: c2
                                       # add
   command: ["sh", "-c", "sleep 1d"]  # add
   resources: {}
 dnsPolicy: ClusterFirst
 restartPolicy: Always
status: {}
```

And we create the *Pod*:

```
k -f p2.yaml create
```

Create the Service

Next we create the Service:

```
k -n project-hamster expose pod p2-pod --name p2-service --port 3000 --target-port 80
```

This will create a yaml like:

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: Service
metadata:
    creationTimestamp: "2020-04-30T20:58:14Z"
    labels:
        run: p2-pod
    managedFields:
...
    operation: Update
    time: "2020-04-30T20:58:14Z"
    name: p2-service
```

```
namespace: project-hamster
 resourceVersion: "11071"
 selfLink: /api/v1/namespaces/project-hamster/services/p2-service
 uid: 2a1c0842-7fb6-4e94-8cdb-1602a3b1e7d2
spec:
 clusterIP: 10.97.45.18
 ports:
 - port: 3000
  protocol: TCP
   targetPort: 80
 selector:
  run: p2-pod
 sessionAffinity: None
 type: ClusterIP
status:
 loadBalancer: {}
```

We should confirm Pods and Services are connected, hence the Service should have Endpoints.

```
k -n project-hamster get pod,svc,ep
```

Confirm kube-proxy is running and is using iptables

First we get nodes in the cluster:

```
→ k get node

NAME STATUS ROLES AGE VERSION

cluster1-master1 Ready master 98m v1.23.1

cluster1-worker1 Ready <none> 96m v1.23.1

cluster1-worker2 Ready <none> 95m v1.23.1
```

The idea here is to log into every node, find the kube-proxy container and check its logs:

```
→ ssh cluster1-master1$

→ root@cluster1-master1$ crictl ps | grep kube-proxy
27b6a18c0f89c  36c4ebbc9d979  3 hours ago  Running  kube-proxy

→ root@cluster1-master1~# crictl logs 27b6a18c0f89c
...
10913 12:53:03.096620  1 server_others.go:212] Using iptables Proxier.
...
```

This should be repeated on every node and result in the same output [Using iptables Proxier].

Check kube-proxy is creating iptables rules

Now we check the iptables rules on every node first manually:

```
→ ssh cluster1-master1 iptables-save | grep p2-service
-A KUBE-SEP-6U447UXLLQIKP7BB -s 10.44.0.20/32 -m comment --comment "project-hamster/p2-service:" -j KUBE-MARK-MASQ
-A KUBE-SEP-6U447UXLLQIKP7BB -p tcp -m comment --comment "project-hamster/p2-service:" -m tcp -j DNAT --to-
destination 10.44.0.20:80
-A KUBE-SERVICES ! -s 10.244.0.0/16 -d 10.97.45.18/32 -p tcp -m comment --comment "project-hamster/p2-service:
cluster IP" -m tcp --dport 3000 -j KUBE-MARK-MASQ
-A KUBE-SERVICES -d 10.97.45.18/32 -p tcp -m comment --comment "project-hamster/p2-service: cluster IP" -m tcp --
dport 3000 -j KUBE-SVC-2A6FNMCK6FDH7PJH
-A KUBE-SVC-2A6FNMCK6FDH7PJH -m comment --comment "project-hamster/p2-service:" -j KUBE-SEP-6U447UXLLQIKP7BB
→ ssh cluster1-worker1 iptables-save | grep p2-service
-A KUBE-SEP-6U447UXLLQIKP7BB -s 10.44.0.20/32 -m comment --comment "project-hamster/p2-service:" -j KUBE-MARK-MASQ
-A KUBE-SEP-6U447UXLLQIKP7BB -p tcp -m comment --comment "project-hamster/p2-service:" -m tcp -j DNAT --to-
destination 10.44.0.20:80
-A KUBE-SERVICES ! -s 10.244.0.0/16 -d 10.97.45.18/32 -p tcp -m comment --comment "project-hamster/p2-service:
cluster IP" -m tcp --dport 3000 -j KUBE-MARK-MASQ
-A KUBE-SERVICES -d 10.97.45.18/32 -p tcp -m comment --comment "project-hamster/p2-service: cluster IP" -m tcp --
dport 3000 -j KUBE-SVC-2A6FNMCK6FDH7PJH
-A KUBE-SVC-2A6FNMCK6FDH7PJH -m comment --comment "project-hamster/p2-service:" -j KUBE-SEP-6U447UXLLQIKP7BB
→ ssh cluster1-worker2 iptables-save | grep p2-service
-A KUBE-SEP-6U447UXLLQIKP7BB -s 10.44.0.20/32 -m comment --comment "project-hamster/p2-service:" -j KUBE-MARK-MASQ
-A KUBE-SEP-6U447UXLLQIKP7BB -p tcp -m comment --comment "project-hamster/p2-service:" -m tcp -j DNAT --to-
destination 10.44.0.20:80
-A KUBE-SERVICES ! -s 10.244.0.0/16 -d 10.97.45.18/32 -p tcp -m comment --comment "project-hamster/p2-service:
cluster IP" -m tcp --dport 3000 -j KUBE-MARK-MASQ
-A KUBE-SERVICES -d 10.97.45.18/32 -p tcp -m comment --comment "project-hamster/p2-service: cluster IP" -m tcp --
dport 3000 -j KUBE-SVC-2A6FNMCK6FDH7PJH
-A KUBE-SVC-2A6FNMCK6FDH7PJH -m comment --comment "project-hamster/p2-service:" -j KUBE-SEP-6U447UXLLQIKP7BB
```

Great. Now let's write these logs into the requested file:

```
→ ssh cluster1-master1 iptables-save | grep p2-service >> /opt/course/p2/iptables.txt
→ ssh cluster1-worker1 iptables-save | grep p2-service >> /opt/course/p2/iptables.txt
→ ssh cluster1-worker2 iptables-save | grep p2-service >> /opt/course/p2/iptables.txt
```

Delete the Service and confirm iptables rules are gone

Delete the Service:

```
k -n project-hamster delete svc p2-service
```

And confirm the iptables rules are gone:

```
→ ssh cluster1-master1 iptables-save | grep p2-service
→ ssh cluster1-worker1 iptables-save | grep p2-service
→ ssh cluster1-worker2 iptables-save | grep p2-service
```

Done.

Kubernetes *Services* are implemented using iptables rules (with default config) on all nodes. Every time a *Service* has been altered, created, deleted or *Endpoints* of a *Service* have changed, the kube-apiserver contacts every node's kube-proxy to update the iptables rules according to the current state.

Preview Question 3

Use context: kubectl config use-context k8s-c2-AC

Create a *Pod* named check-ip in *Namespace* default using image [httpd:2.4.41-alpine]. Expose it on port 80 as a ClusterIP *Service* named check-ip-service. Remember/output the IP of that *Service*.

Change the Service CIDR to 11.96.0.0/12 for the cluster.

Then create a second *Service* named <code>check-ip-service2</code> pointing to the same *Pod* to check if your settings did take effect. Finally check if the IP of the first *Service* has changed.

Answer:

Let's create the *Pod* and expose it:

```
k run check-ip --image=httpd:2.4.41-alpine
k expose pod check-ip --name check-ip-service --port 80
```

And check the *Pod* and *Service* ips:

```
→ k get svc,ep -l run=check-ip

NAME TYPE CLUSTER-IP EXTERNAL-IP PORT(S) AGE

service/check-ip-service ClusterIP 10.104.3.45 <none> 80/TCP 8s

NAME ENDPOINTS AGE
endpoints/check-ip-service 10.44.0.3:80 7s
```

Now we change the Service CIDR on the kube-apiserver:

```
→ ssh cluster2-master1
→ root@cluster2-master1:~# vim /etc/kubernetes/manifests/kube-apiserver.yaml
```

```
---service-account-key-file=/etc/kubernetes/pki/sa.pub
---service-cluster-ip-range=11.96.0.0/12 # change
---tls-cert-file=/etc/kubernetes/pki/apiserver.crt
---tls-private-key-file=/etc/kubernetes/pki/apiserver.key
```

Give it a bit for the kube-apiserver and controller-manager to restart

Wait for the api to be up again:

```
→ root@cluster2-master1:~# kubectl -n kube-system get pod | grep api
kube-apiserver-cluster2-master1 1/1 Running 0 49s
```

Now we do the same for the controller manager:

```
→ root@cluster2-master1:~# vim /etc/kubernetes/manifests/kube-controller-manager.yaml
```

```
# /etc/kubernetes/manifests/kube-controller-manager.yaml
apiVersion: v1
kind: Pod
metadata:
 creationTimestamp: null
 labels:
   component: kube-controller-manager
   tier: control-plane
 name: kube-controller-manager
 namespace: kube-system
spec:
 containers:
 - command:
   - kube-controller-manager
   - --allocate-node-cidrs=true
    - --authentication-kubeconfig=/etc/kubernetes/controller-manager.conf
   - --authorization-kubeconfig=/etc/kubernetes/controller-manager.conf
   - --bind-address=127.0.0.1
   - --client-ca-file=/etc/kubernetes/pki/ca.crt
   - --cluster-cidr=10.244.0.0/16
   - --cluster-name=kubernetes
   - --cluster-signing-cert-file=/etc/kubernetes/pki/ca.crt
   - --cluster-signing-key-file=/etc/kubernetes/pki/ca.key
   - --controllers=*,bootstrapsigner,tokencleaner
   - --kubeconfig=/etc/kubernetes/controller-manager.conf
   - --leader-elect=true
   - --node-cidr-mask-size=24
    - --requestheader-client-ca-file=/etc/kubernetes/pki/front-proxy-ca.crt
    - --root-ca-file=/etc/kubernetes/pki/ca.crt
   - --service-account-private-key-file=/etc/kubernetes/pki/sa.key
    - --service-cluster-ip-range=11.96.0.0/12
                                                      # change
    - --use-service-account-credentials=true
```

Give it a bit for the controller-manager to restart.

We can check if it was restarted using crictl:

```
→ root@cluster2-master1:~# crictl ps | grep scheduler

3d258934b9fd6 aca5ededae9c8 About a minute ago Running kube-scheduler ...
```

Checking our existing *Pod* and *Service* again:

```
→ k get pod,svc -1 run=check-ip

NAME READY STATUS RESTARTS AGE

pod/check-ip 1/1 Running 0 21m

NAME TYPE CLUSTER-IP EXTERNAL-IP PORT(S) AGE

service/check-ip-service ClusterIP 10.99.32.177 <none> 80/TCP 21m
```

Nothing changed so far. Now we create another Service like before:

```
k expose pod check-ip --name check-ip-service2 --port 80
```

And check again:

```
→ k get svc,ep -l run=check-ip

NAME TYPE CLUSTER-IP EXTERNAL-IP PORT(S) AGE

service/check-ip-service ClusterIP 10.109.222.111 <none> 80/TCP 8m

service/check-ip-service2 ClusterIP 11.111.108.194 <none> 80/TCP 6m32s

NAME ENDPOINTS AGE

endpoints/check-ip-service 10.44.0.1:80 8m

endpoints/check-ip-service2 10.44.0.1:80 6m13s
```

There we go, the new Service got an ip of the new specified range assigned. We also see that both Services have our Pod as endpoint.

CKA Tips Kubernetes 1.23

In this section we'll provide some tips on how to handle the CKA exam and browser terminal.

Knowledge

Study all topics as proposed in the curriculum till you feel comfortable with all.

Resources

The majority of tasks in the CKA will also be around creating Kubernetes resources, like its tested in the CKAD. So we suggest to do:

- Maybe 2–3 times https://github.com/dgkanatsios/CKAD-exercises
- The CKAD series with scenarios on Medium
- The CKA series with scenarios on Medium
- Imagine and create your own scenarios to solve
- Know advanced scheduling: https://kubernetes.io/docs/concepts/scheduling/kube-scheduler

Components

- The other part is understanding Kubernetes components and being able to fix and investigate clusters. Understand this: https://kubernetes.io/docs/tasks/debug-application-cluster/debug-cluster
- When you have to fix a component (like kubelet) in one cluster, just check how its setup on another node in the same or even another cluster. You can copy config files over etc
- If you like you can look at <u>Kubernetes The Hard Way</u> once. But it's NOT necessary to do, the CKA is not that complex. But KTHW helps understanding the concepts
- You should install your own cluster using kubeadm (one master, one worker) in a VM or using a cloud provider and investigate the components
- Know how to use kubeadm to for example add nodes to a cluster
- Know how to create an Ingress resources
- Know how to snapshot/restore ETCD from another machine

General

Do 1 or 2 test session with this CKA Simulator. Understand the solutions and maybe try out other ways to achieve the same thing.

Setup your aliases, be fast and breath kubectl

CKA Preparation

Read the Curriculum

https://github.com/cncf/curriculum

Read the Handbook

https://docs.linuxfoundation.org/tc-docs/certification/lf-candidate-handbook

Read the important tips

https://docs.linuxfoundation.org/tc-docs/certification/tips-cka-and-ckad

Read the FAQ

https://docs.linuxfoundation.org/tc-docs/certification/faq-cka-ckad

Kubernetes documentation

Get familiar with the Kubernetes documentation and be able to use the search. You can have one browser tab open with one of the allowed links: https://kubernetes.io/docs https://kubernetes.io/docs

NOTE: You can have the other tab open as a separate window, this is why a big screen is handy

Deprecated commands

Make sure to not depend on deprecated commands as they might stop working at any time. When you execute a deprecated kubect1 command a message will be shown, so you know which ones to avoid.

With kubectl version 1.18+ things have changed. Like its no longer possible to use kubectl run to create Jobs, CronJobs or Deployments, only Pods still work. This makes things a bit more verbose when you for example need to create a Deployment with resource limits or multiple replicas.

What if we need to create a Deployment which has, for example, a resources section? We could use both kubectl run and kubectl create, then do some vim magic. Read more here.

The Test Environment / Browser Terminal

You'll be provided with a browser terminal which uses Ubuntu 20. The standard shells included with a minimal install of Ubuntu 20 will be available, including bash.

Laggin

There could be some lagging, definitely make sure you are using a good internet connection because your webcam and screen are uploading all the time.

Kubectl autocompletion and commands

Autocompletion is configured by default, as well as the k alias source and others:

kubect1 with k alias and Bash autocompletion

yq and jq for YAML/JSON processing

tmux for terminal multiplexing

curl and wget for testing web services

man and man pages for further documentation

Copy & Paste

There could be issues copying text (like pod names) from the left task information into the terminal. Some suggested to "hard" hit or long hold <code>Cmd/Ctrl+c</code> a few times to take action. Apart from that copy and paste should just work like in normal terminals.

Percentages and Score

There are 15-20 questions in the exam and 100% of total percentage to reach. Each questions shows the % it gives if you solve it. Your results will be automatically checked according to the handbook. If you don't agree with the results you can request a review by contacting the Linux Foundation support.

Notepad & Skipping Questions

You have access to a simple notepad in the browser which can be used for storing any kind of plain text. It makes sense to use this for saving skipped question numbers and their percentages. This way it's possible to move some questions to the end. It might make sense to skip 2% or 3% questions and go directly to higher ones.

Contexts

You'll receive access to various different clusters and resources in each. They provide you the exact command you need to run to connect to another cluster/context. But you should be comfortable working in different namespaces with kubect1.

Your Desktop

You are allowed to have multiple monitors connected and have to share every monitor with the proctor. Having one large screen definitely helps as you're only allowed **one** application open (Chrome Browser) with two tabs, one terminal and one k8s docs.

NOTE: You can have the other tab open as a separate window, this is why a big screen is handy

The questions will be on the left (default maybe ~30% space), the terminal on the right. You can adjust the size of the split though to your needs in the real exam.

If you use a laptop you could work with lid closed, external mouse+keyboard+monitor attached. Make sure you also have a webcam+microphone working.

You could also have both monitors, laptop screen and external, active. You might be asked that your webcam points straight into your face. So using an external screen and your laptop webcam could not be accepted. Just keep that in mind.

You have to be able to move your webcam around in the beginning to show your whole room and desktop. Have a clean desk with only the necessary on it. You can have a glass/cup with water without anything printed on.

In the end you should feel very comfortable with your setup.

Browser Terminal Setup

It should be considered to spend ~1 minute in the beginning to setup your terminal. In the real exam the vast majority of questions will be done from the main terminal. For few you might need to ssh into another machine. Just be aware that configurations to your shell will not be transferred in this case.

Minimal Setup

Alias

The alias \mathbf{k} for $\mathbf{kubectl}$ will be configured together with autocompletion. In case not you can configure it using this \underline{link} .

Vim

Create the file ~/.vimrc with the following content:

```
set tabstop=2
set expandtab
set shiftwidth=2
```

The expandtab make sure to use spaces for tabs. Memorize these and just type them down. You can't have any written notes with commands on your desktop etc.

Optional Setup

Fast dry-run output

```
export do="--dry-run=client -o yaml"
```

This way you can just run k run pod1 --image=nginx \$do. Short for "dry output", but use whatever name you like.

Fast pod delete

```
export now="--force --grace-period 0"
```

This way you can run k delete pod1 \$now and don't have to wait for ~30 seconds termination time.

Persist bash settings

You can store aliases and other setup in ~/.bashrc if you're planning on using different shells or tmux.

Be fast

Use the [history] command to reuse already entered commands or use even faster history search through Ctrl r.

If a command takes some time to execute, like sometimes kubectl delete pod x. You can put a task in the background using Ctrl z and pull it back into foreground running command fg.

You can delete pods fast with:

```
k delete pod x --grace-period 0 --force
k delete pod x $now # if export from above is configured
```

Vim

Be great with vim.

Toggle vim line numbers

When in vim you can press Esc and type :set number or :set nonumber followed by Enter to toggle line numbers. This can be useful when finding syntax errors based on line - but can be bad when wanting to mark© by mouse. You can also just jump to a line number with Esc :22 + Enter.

Copy&paste

Get used to copy/paste/cut with vim:

```
Mark lines: Esc+V (then arrow keys)
Copy marked lines: y
Cut marked lines: d
Past lines: p or P
```

Indent multiple lines

In case not defined in .vimrc, to indent multiple lines press **Esc** and type :set shiftwidth=2.

First mark multiple lines using **Shift v** and the up/down keys. Then to indent the marked lines press > or <. You can then press • to repeat the action.

Split terminal screen

By default tmux is installed and can be used to split your one terminal into multiple. **But** just do this if you know your shit, because scrolling is different and copy&pasting might be weird.

https://www.hamvocke.com/blog/a-quick-and-easy-guide-to-tmux

