# BareMetal Kubernetes cluster Setup on AWS Using Kubeadm

- Current Kubernetes Version is **v1.22**
- If you are using bare-metal servers or virtual machines (VMs), Kubeadm is a good fit
- If you're running on cloud environments, **kops** and **Kubespray** can ease Kubernetes installation, as well as integration with the cloud providers.
- If you want to drop the burden of managing the Kubernetes control plane, almost all cloud providers have their Kubernetes managed services, such as Google Kubernetes Engine (GKE), Amazon Elastic Kubernetes Service (EKS), Azure Kubernetes Service (AKS) etc
- If you just want a playground to study Kubernetes, **Minikube** and **Kind** can help you spin up a Kubernetes cluster in minutes.
- Browser based labs: <a href="https://www.katacoda.com/courses/kubernetes">https://www.katacoda.com/courses/kubernetes</a>

# **Prerequisites**

- A compatible Linux hosts
- 2 GB or more of RAM per machine and 2 CPUs or more
- 4 Ubuntu Serves
  - o 1x Manager (4GB RAM, 2 vCPU) t2.medium type
  - o 3x Workers (1 GB, 1 Core) t2.micro type
- Full network connectivity between all machines in the cluster
- Unique hostname, MAC address for each host. Change hostname of the servers at /etc/hostname or using hostnamectl. Use Master for Master nodes and worker 01, worker 02 and so on for worker nodes
- Swap disabled. You MUST disable swap in order for the kubelet to work properly
- Certain ports are open on your machines(https://kubernetes.io/docs/reference/ports-and-protocols/)

#### Master

Port range Purpose

These ports are used for Kubernetes API access.

These ports are used for etcd server client API

6783/tcp,6784/udp for Weavenet CNI

10250 This port is used for Kubelet API

**10251** This port is used for kube-scheduler

**10252** This port is used for kube-controller-manager

**10255** Read-Only Kubelet API

10248 Kubelet health

**80** For accessing demo apps

8080

443

# Control plane

Protocol	Direction	Port Range	Purpose	Used By
TCP	Inbound	6443	Kubernetes API server	All
TCP	Inbound	2379-2380	etcd server client API	kube-apiserver, etcd
TCP	Inbound	10250	Kubelet API	Self, Control plane
TCP	Inbound	10259	kube-scheduler	Self
TCP	Inbound	10257	kube-controller-manager	Self

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IPv4		Custom TCP		TCP		10250 - 10260		0.0.0.0/0
IPv4		Custom TCP		TCP		6443		0.0.0.0/0
IPv4		HTTPS		TCP		443		0.0.0.0/0
IPv6		Custom TCP		TCP		6443		::/0
IPv4		Custom TCP		TCP		30000 - 32767		0.0.0.0/0
IPv6		HTTP		TCP		80		::/0
IPv6		Custom TCP		TCP		10250 - 10260		::/0
IPv6		Custom TCP		TCP		2379 - 2380		::/0
IPv6		Custom TCP		TCP		6783		::/0
IPv4		SSH		TCP		22		0.0.0.0/0
IPv4		HTTP		TCP		80		0.0.0.0/0
IPv6		HTTPS		TCP		443		::/0
IPv6		Custom UDP		UDP		6784		::/0
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## Worker

Port range Purpose

10250 This port is used for Kubelet API

10255 Read-Only Kubelet API

30000-32767 NodePort Services

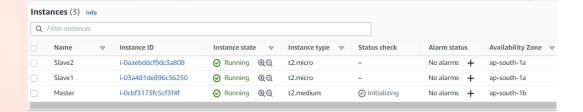
6783/tcp,6784/udp for Weavenet

80,6443,22,10250-10260,30000-32767

# Worker node(s)

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TCP	Inbound	30000-32767	NodePort Services†	All

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IPv4	Custom TCP	TCP	10250 - 10260	0.0.0.0/0
IPv6	Custom TCP	TCP	10250 - 10260	::/0
IPv6	Custom TCP	TCP	6443	::/0
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IPv4	Custom TCP	TCP	6443	0.0.0.0/0
IPv6	Custom UDP	UDP	6784	::/0
IPv6	Custom TCP	TCP	30000 - 32767	::/0
IPv6	HTTP	TCP	80	::/0



# **Common Steps for Master & Workers**

- 1. Run all commands as sudo
- 2. Install Docker & required packages

```
sudo su
apt update -y
apt install -y apt-transport-https ca-certificates curl software-
properties-common
curl -fsSL https://download.docker.com/linux/ubuntu/gpg | sudo apt-
key add -
add-apt-repository "deb [arch=amd64]
https://download.docker.com/linux/ubuntu bionic stable"
apt update -y
apt-cache policy docker-ce
apt install -y docker-ce
```

3. Configure the Docker daemon, in particular to use systemd for the management of the container's cgroups

```
mkdir /etc/docker
cat <<EOF | sudo tee /etc/docker/daemon.json
{
    "exec-opts": ["native.cgroupdriver=systemd"]
}
EOF
systemctl enable --now docker
usermod -aG docker ubuntu
systemctl restart docker</pre>
```

Turn off swap space
 swapoff -a

```
sed -i '/ swap / s/^\(.*\)$/#\1/g' /etc/fstab
```

5. Ensure net.bridge.bridge-nf-call-iptables is set to 1 in your sysctl config (https://kubernetes.io/docs/setup/production-environment/tools/kubeadm/install-kubeadm/#letting-iptables-see-bridged-traffic) sysctl net.bridge.bridge-nf-call-iptables=1

6. Install kubectl, kubelet and kubeadm

```
apt-get update && sudo apt-get install -y apt-transport-https curl
curl -s https://packages.cloud.google.com/apt/doc/apt-key.gpg | sudo
apt-key add -
cat <<EOF | sudo tee /etc/apt/sources.list.d/kubernetes.list
deb https://apt.kubernetes.io/ kubernetes-xenial main
EOF
apt update -y
apt install -y kubelet kubeadm kubectl</pre>
```

7. apt-mark hold is used so that these packages will not be updated/removed automatically

sudo apt-mark hold kubelet kubeadm kubectl

8. Setup kubectl autocompletion

echo "source <(kubectl completion bash)" >> ~/.bashrc

#### On Master node

1. Start the cluster using Kubeadm init. This will print a join token. Take backup of that token (https://www.mankier.com/1/kubeadm-init)

```
kubeadm config images pull
kubeadm init
```

2. Save the kube config to ubuntu's home directory. Switch to ubuntu or type exit from root mode

```
mkdir -p $HOME/.kube
sudo cp -i /etc/kubernetes/admin.conf $HOME/.kube/config
sudo chown $(id -u):$(id -g) $HOME/.kube/config
```

3. Install any CNI plugin

```
kubectl apply -f "https://cloud.weave.works/k8s/net?k8s-
version=$(kubectl version | base64 | tr -d '\n')"
```

#### On Slave node

1. Copy the join token obtained from **kubeadm init** output to all Workers node and run it. Example

```
kubeadm join \
192.168.56.2:6443 --token ... --discovery-token-ca-cert-hash sha256:...
```

#### Test the setup

 On master node, run kubectl get nodes

## **Demo App**

kubectl run nginx --image=nginx --port=80
kubectl expose pod nginx --port=80 --type=NodePort
Go to browser, visit http://<master-ip>:<NodePort> to check the nginx default page.
Make sure the port range 30000-32767 is opened on all/master node

#### **Get PodCIDR**

- kubectl get nodes -o jsonpath='{.items[\*].spec.podCIDR}'
- kubectl cluster-info dump | grep -m 1 cluster-cidr

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## **Setup Dashboard**

K8dash/Skooner: <a href="https://github.com/skooner-k8s/skooner">https://github.com/skooner-k8s/skooner</a>

#### References

- https://kubernetes.io/docs/setup/production-environment/tools/kubeadm/install-kubeadm/
- https://kubernetes.io/docs/setup/production-environment/tools/kubeadm/createcluster-kubeadm/
- https://www.mirantis.com/blog/how-install-kubernetes-kubeadm/
- https://www.mankier.com/1/kubeadm-init
- https://kubernetes.io/docs/setup/production-environment/containerruntimes/#docker
- https://www.weave.works/docs/net/latest/kubernetes/kube-addon/#install
- https://github.com/skooner-k8s/skooner
- https://www.weave.works/docs/net/latest/kubernetes/kube-addon/#eks

# **Common Errors**

Made Easy

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kubeadm reset

