
Smart Cow - React Flask NGINX Minikube_Kubernetes Deployment Guide

Task #3

<https://github.com/ryancomia/sc-exercise/tree/feature/kubernetes>

Before I begin the final task (making it work with mini-kube/kubernetes) I wanted to start with creating a workflow which would automate the build of images and deploy them into container registry.

Found here:
<https://github.com/ryancomia/sc-exercise/blob/feature/kubernetes/.github/workflows/build.yml>

For this I created a workflow using github action which does the following:

- Build the images from the source code
- Logins to Docker HUB
- Upload to Repo

Note: Initially I was planning to integrate SEC into the step with Tools such as Trivy, Snyk etc. However, with the time constraints and such step will take more time for me to upload the images to CR. I decided to skip it.

Shown are the steps that the workflow will run

I created a branch called feature/Kubernetes
The workflow is triggerred upon a push/pull request to the branch.

```
name: Deploy to Container Registry

on:
  push:
    branches: [ feature/kubernetes ]
    paths: .github/workflows/build.yml
  pull_request:
    branches: none # [ main ]
  workflow_dispatch:

jobs:

  build-deploy-aks:
    runs-on: ubuntu-latest
    env:
      DOCKER_REPOSITORY: projectdharma
      IMAGE_NAME1: flask-appx
      IMAGE_NAME2: react-appx
      IMAGE_NAME3: nginx-appx
      IMAGE_TAG: ${ github.run_number }

    steps:

      - name: Git Checkout
        uses: actions/checkout@v2

      - name: Build Docker Image Flask
        run:
          docker build ./flask/ --file ./flask/Dockerfile --tag $DOCKER_REPOSITORY/$IMAGE_NAME1:$GITHUB_RUN_NUMBER --no-cache

      - name: Build Docker Image NGINX
        run:
          docker build ./nginx/ --file ./nginx/Dockerfile --tag $DOCKER_REPOSITORY/$IMAGE_NAME2:$GITHUB_RUN_NUMBER --no-cache

      - name: Build Docker Image React
        run:
          docker build ./react/ --file ./react/Dockerfile --tag $DOCKER_REPOSITORY/$IMAGE_NAME3:$GITHUB_RUN_NUMBER --no-cache

      - name: Login to Docker Hub
        run: |
          docker login --username=${ secrets.DOCKER_USER } --password=${ secrets.DOCKER_PASS }

      - name: Push Flask Image to Docker Hub
        run:
          docker push $DOCKER_REPOSITORY/$IMAGE_NAME1:$GITHUB_RUN_NUMBER

      - name: Push NGINX image to Docker Hub
        run:
          docker push $DOCKER_REPOSITORY/$IMAGE_NAME2:$GITHUB_RUN_NUMBER

      - name: Push React Image to Docker Hub
        run:
          docker push $DOCKER_REPOSITORY/$IMAGE_NAME3:$GITHUB_RUN_NUMBER
```

Deployment.yaml

In here I created a basic deployment file
Which specifies the react and flask service.

And for this task I omitted the use of nginx reverse proxy on task 1 and 2 (I will explain later why)

I just defined the basic parameters that would provide identity for the container and its characteristics such as port ingress

```
final > ! deployment.yaml
1  apiVersion: apps/v1
2  kind: Deployment
3
4  metadata:
5    name: react-deploy
6
7  spec:
8    replicas: 1
9    selector:
10     matchLabels:
11       component: web
12    template:
13     metadata:
14       labels:
15         component: web
16     spec:
17       containers:
18         - name: frontend
19           image: projectdharma/react-app-b:latest
20           ports:
21             - containerPort: 80
22 ---
23 apiVersion: apps/v1
24 kind: Deployment
25
26 metadata:
27   name: flask-deploy
28 spec:
29   replicas: 1
30   selector:
31     matchLabels:
32       component: flask
33   template:
34     metadata:
35       labels:
36         component: flask
37     spec:
38       containers:
39         - name: flask
40           image: projectdharma/flask-appx:3
41           ports:
42             - containerPort: 9090
```

Service.yaml

This section we can configure the networking and DNS properties of the container.

Using a ClusterIP type as it would use the Virtual IP inside the Kubernetes cluster

Exposing the from and to ports

```
final > ! service.yaml
1  apiVersion: v1
2
3  kind: Service
4  metadata:
5    | name: react-cluster-ip-service
6  spec:
7    | selector:
8    |   component: web
9    | type: ClusterIP
10   ports:
11     - port: 80
12       | targetPort: 80
13
14   ---
15   apiVersion: v1
16
17   kind: Service
18   metadata:
19     | name: flask-cluster-ip-service
20   spec:
21     | selector:
22     |   component: flask
23     | type: ClusterIP
24   ports:
25     - port: 80
26       | targetPort: 9090
```

Ingress.yaml

Since Kubernetes resides on a virtual environment, it follows that it has a different network isolated from the rest. So the way we communicate from external to Kubernetes is by using Ingress service.

This is similar to what a reverse proxy like nginx would do in context. (Well infact it is nginx)

So in here we specify the kind which Ingress Followed by the rules and root path.

```
! ingress.yml × ! service.yaml ! deployment.yaml

final > ! ingress.yml
1  apiVersion: networking.k8s.io/v1
2  kind: Ingress
3  metadata:
4    name: smartcow-ingress
5    annotations:
6      kubernetes.io/ingress.class: "nginx"
7      nginx.ingress.kubernetes.io/use-regex: "true"
8      nginx.ingress.kubernetes.io/rewrite-target: /$1
9  spec:
10   rules:
11     - http:
12       paths:
13         - path: /?(.*)
14           pathType: Prefix
15           backend:
16             service:
17               name: react-cluster-ip-service
18               port:
19                 number: 80
```


Unlike on task1/2
In here I just specified
an entry for my react
container, which runs
nginx in the background.
I let the react in nginx do
the routing

The reason why I
omitted the reverse
proxy container

Adding the minikube
ingress plugin I was able
now to route the traffic
from and to my local

```
192.168.64.2  
[ryan@apples-MacBook-Pro-3 final % kubectl cluster-info  
Kubernetes control plane is running at https://192.168.64.2:8443  
CoreDNS is running at https://192.168.64.2:8443/api/v1/namespaces/kube-system/services/kube-dns:dn  
s/proxy  
  
To further debug and diagnose cluster problems, use 'kubectl cluster-info dump'.  
ryan@apples-MacBook-Pro-3 final % █
```

Similar to task 2, I had to find a way to route the traffic back to flask. So what I did is to create a stub record into my local host file

The minikube router IP will be CNAME'd to smartcow.local/

```
[ryan@apples-MacBook-Pro-3 final % cat /etc/hosts
##
# Host Database
#
# localhost is used to configure the loopback interface
# when the system is booting. Do not change this entry.
##
127.0.0.1      localhost
255.255.255.255 broadcasthost
::1           localhost
192.168.64.2   smartcow.local
ryan@apples-MacBook-Pro-3 final %
```

Finally running
Kubectl apply -f .

Spins up 2 container app

```
ryan@apples-MacBook-Pro-3 devops % kubectl get pods
NAME                                READY   STATUS    RESTARTS   AGE
flask-deploy-79d777756d-242r4       1/1     Running   0           60m
react-deploy-7655f9895c-ggn4l       1/1     Running   0           50m
ryan@apples-MacBook-Pro-3 devops %
```

Since we have a dns record locally.

I can use the url:

<http://smartcow.local>

To view the app on my browser

Note: the app.js uses the same url to fetch the data from flask

