

WEEK 10 – LAB ACTION PLAN

Working with Minikube and Nagios

KUBERNETES BASICS

Kubernetes automates running and managing containerized applications.

Pods are the smallest deployable units.

Minikube provides a local single-node Kubernetes cluster.

NAGIOS BASICS

Nagios monitors:

- Servers
- Network devices
- Applications & services

It alerts administrators when issues occur.

MINIKUBE SETUP & PRACTICAL STEPS

STEP 1: INSTALL PREREQUISITES

1. Ensure virtualization support is enabled.

2. Install any one hypervisor:

- Hyper-V (Windows Pro/Enterprise)
- Docker Desktop
- VirtualBox

Commands to check virtualization:

Run in CMD:

```
systeminfo | find "Virtualization"
```

STEP 2: DOWNLOAD & INSTALL MINIKUBE

Run in PowerShell (Admin):

```
curl -LO https://storage.googleapis.com/minikube/releases/latest/minikube-installer.exe  
.\minikube-installer.exe
```

STEP 3: ADD MINIKUBE TO PATH (IF REQUIRED)

Add: C:\Program Files\Minikube to PATH environment variable.

STEP 4: START MINIKUBE

Choose hypervisor:

```
minikube start --driver=docker
```

OR

```
minikube start --driver=hyperv
```

Check status:

```
minikube status
```

STEP 5: USING KUBECTL (KUBERNETES CLI)

Check pods:

```
minikube kubectl -- get pods -A
```

Open dashboard:

```
minikube dashboard
```

Verify installation:

```
minikube version
```

```
kubectl version --client
```

MINIKUBE AUTOMATION STEPS

STEP 1: START CLUSTER

```
minikube start
```

STEP 2: CREATE A DEPLOYMENT

```
kubectl create deployment mynginx --image=nginx
```

Check deployment:

```
kubectl get deployments
```

```
kubectl get pods
```

```
kubectl describe pods
```

Update image (if already created):

```
kubectl set image deployment/mynginx nginx=nginx:latest
```

STEP 3: EXPOSE DEPLOYMENT

```
kubectl expose deployment mynginx --type=NodePort --port=80 --target-port=80
```

Check service:

```
kubectl get service mynginx
```

STEP 4: SCALE DEPLOYMENT

```
kubectl scale deployment mynginx --replicas=4
```

STEP 5: ACCESS NGINX APP

Option 1 – Port Forward:

```
kubectl port-forward svc/mynginx 8081:80
```

Open: <http://localhost:8081>

Option 2 – Minikube Tunnel:

```
minikube tunnel
```

```
minikube service mynginx --url
```

STEP 6: CLEAN UP

Delete app:

```
kubectl delete deployment mynginx
```

```
kubectl delete service mynginx
```

Stop minikube:

`minikube stop`

Delete minikube:

`minikube delete`

NAGIOS AUTOMATION STEPS

STEP 1: PULL NAGIOS DOCKER IMAGE

`docker pull jasonrivers/nagios:latest`

STEP 2: RUN NAGIOS

`docker run --name nagiosdemo -p 8888:80 jasonrivers/nagios:latest`

Access dashboard:

`http://localhost:8888`

Login:

Username: nagiosadmin

Password: nagios

STEP 3: STOP & REMOVE NAGIOS

`docker stop nagiosdemo`

`docker rm nagiosdemo`

List images:

`docker images`

Remove image:

`docker rmi jasonrivers/nagios:latest`

AWS FREE TIER ACCOUNT CREATION STEPS

1. Open <https://aws.amazon.com>
 2. Click "Create AWS account"
 3. Enter email, verification code
 4. Add contact details
 5. Enter billing card details (INR 2 refundable)
 6. Verify mobile OTP
 7. Select Basic Plan
 8. Log in as Root user
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VIVA QUESTIONS (SBQs)

1. Pod restarting repeatedly – check logs, describe pod, events.
2. Pod stuck in Pending – insufficient resources, volume issues.
3. Debug failed deployment – kubectl describe deployment, logs.
4. Pods failing health checks – check readiness & liveness probes.
5. Roll back faulty deployment – kubectl rollout undo.
6. Debug running pod – kubectl logs, kubectl exec -it.
7. Expose service externally – kubectl expose / NodePort / Ingress.
8. Start/Stop Nagios – docker run / docker stop.
9. Nagios web issue – restart container, check logs.
10. New host not appearing – verify config files, restart Nagios.
11. Check Nagios running – ps aux | grep nagios.
12. View logs in real time – tail -f /var/log/nagios/nagios.log.
13. Advantages of Nagios – monitoring, alerting, plugins, dashboards.

CONCLUSION

In this lab we learned:

- Running Kubernetes pods via Minikube

- Scaling and exposing services
- Monitoring with Nagios
- Creating AWS Free Tier account