

## Kubernetes hands-on

Core Concepts:

CKA Certification:

Services

A Service in Kubernetes is a REST object, similar to a Pod. Like all of the REST objects, you can POST a Service definition to the API server to create a new instance. The name of a Service object must be a valid DNS label name.

For example, suppose you have a set of Pods that each listen on TCP port 9376 and carry a label `app=MyApp`:

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: Service
metadata:
  name: my-service
spec:
  selector:
    app: MyApp
  ports:
    - protocol: TCP
      port: 80
      targetPort: 9376
```

This specification creates a new Service object named “my-service”, which targets TCP port 9376 on any Pod with the `app=MyApp` label.

The kubernetes service is an object just like PODs, Replicaset or Deployments that we worked with before. One of its use case is to listen to a port on the Node and forward requests on that port to a port on the POD running the web application.

## Manage Services

★ **Difficulty:** beginner

🕒 **Estimated Time:** 10-15 minutes

### Overview

A Service is an abstraction in kubernetes that allows you to connect to pods, it provides two main functionalities service-discovery and load-balancing.

Some typical uses of a Service are:

- provide an endpoint to connect to an application, such as an nginx webserver
- create a load-balancer that will distribute traffic to pods
- create an external endpoint to a service outside of the cluster for example an RDS database

There are multiple types of services:

- NodePort that exposes a port on all the nodes
- LoadBalancer that create a loadbalancer depending on your environment
- ClusterIP which creates a dedicated IP which can usually be only access inside of the cluster

START SCENARIO

let's create a deployment that we will use to learn the various service types.

```
master $ ls
cloudprovider.yml      loadbalancer-service.yml  nodeport-service.yml
clusterip-service.yml  nginx-deployment.yml
master $ vi nginx-deployment.yml
master $ kubectl create -f nginx-deployment.yml
deployment.extensions/nginx created
master $ kubectl get deploy
NAME      READY   UP-TO-DATE   AVAILABLE   AGE
nginx     1/1     1            1           7s
```

Now that we have a working deployment, lets expose it to the cluster so that other deployments can access it too.

```
kind: Service
apiVersion: v1
metadata:
  name: clusterip-nginx-service
spec:
  selector:
    app: nginx
  ports:
    - protocol: TCP
      port: 80
      targetPort: 80
```

```

master $ kubectl describe svc clusterip-nginx-service
Name:          clusterip-nginx-service
Namespace:     default
Labels:        <none>
Annotations:   <none>
Selector:      app=nginx
Type:          ClusterIP
IP:            10.107.46.89
Port:          <unset> 80/TCP
TargetPort:    80/TCP
Endpoints:     10.32.0.2:80
Session Affinity: None
Events:        <none>

```

What if we wanted to expose our service outside of the cluster? This is where NodePort comes in. NodePort is one the most often utilized service types in kubernetes.

```

service/nodeport-nginx-service created
master $ kubectl get svc -o wide
NAME                                TYPE          CLUSTER-IP    EXTERNAL-IP    PORT(S)          AGE    SELECTOR
clusterip-nginx-service            ClusterIP     10.107.46.89  <none>         80/TCP           51s    app=nginx
kubernetes                         ClusterIP     10.96.0.1     <none>         443/TCP          94m    <none>
nodeport-nginx-service             NodePort      10.109.79.113 <none>         80:32332/TCP     3s     app=nginx
master $ kubectl describe svc nodeport-nginx-service
Name:          nodeport-nginx-service
Namespace:     default
Labels:        <none>
Annotations:   <none>
Selector:      app=nginx
Type:          NodePort
IP:            10.109.79.113
Port:          <unset> 80/TCP
TargetPort:    80/TCP
NodePort:      <unset> 32332/TCP
Endpoints:     10.32.0.2:80
Session Affinity: None

```

We can now access our service with:

```
curl http://<NODEPORT-IP>
```

```

master $ curl http://10.109.79.113
<h1>This request was processed by host: nginx-7db9f49645-nkjdz</h1>

```

What if we wanted a single point of entry for our service from the outside? For that we need a LoadBalancer type of service. If you are running on any of the major cloud providers it will be freely available for you, but if you are on-prem or in this case katacoda, then you need to make this functionality available.

```
kubectl describe svc lb-nginx-service
```

```
master $ kubectl describe svc lb-nginx-service
Name:                lb-nginx-service
Namespace:           default
Labels:              <none>
Annotations:         <none>
Selector:            app=nginx
Type:                LoadBalancer
IP:                  10.101.182.42
Port:                <unset> 80/TCP
TargetPort:          80/TCP
NodePort:            <unset> 31127/TCP
Endpoints:           10.32.0.2:80
Session Affinity:    None
External Traffic Policy: Cluster
Events:              <none>
```

References:

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