Volume

1. emptyDir

It's the basis of Volume. The life cycle depends on the Pod. The volume will be removed when the related Pod was removed. So we can think of it as the path of the Pod. All the containers of the pod share this volume. Let's show how to setup the volume configure.

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: Pod
metadata:
name: producer-consumer
spec:
containers:
 - image: busybox
  name: producer
  volumeMounts:
   - mountPath: /producer_dir
    name: shared-volume
  args:
   - /bin/sh
   - -C
   - echo "hello world" > /producer_dir/hello; sleep 30000
 - image: busybox
  name: consumer
  volumeMounts:
   - mountPath: /consumer_dir
    name: shared-volume
   args:
   - /bin/sh
   - -C
   - cat /consumer_dir/hello; sleep 30000
 volumes:
 - name: shared-volume
   emptyDir: {}
```

The above file is about configure the volume practice. We design two containers in the pod, one is to producer, write the log in the path file, another is to consumer, read the log from the file. It's easy to understand that these two containers share the storage from the pod.

2. HostPath

It's rare to use this kind of volume. It's not common. This for Docker host mount the existing path to the Pod. So Pod and containers have very strong coupling. But if pod was removed, the volume is still existing. However, avoid using this kind of volume.

3. Extern Storage Provider

This used extern storage provider to achieve the volume. For example, use the AWS, GCE or Azure and so on. Let me show the configure.

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: Pod
metadata:
  name: using-ebs
spec:
  containers:
  image: busybox
    name: using-ebs
    volumeMounts:
    - mountPath: /test-ebs
      name: ebs-volume
  volumes:
   name: ebs-volume
    awsElasticBlockStore:
      volumeID: <volume-id>
      fsType: ext4
```

This used the aws storage. The strength about using this is to make the k8s cluster and volume isolated. There is no impact when the k8s cluster destroyed.

4. PersistentVolume & PersistentVolumeClaim

From section 3, we know we can use the extern storage for the k8s volume. But there is one question, actually the storage system always for administration, but the k8s deployment is for developer. There are different departments. How to balance the gap. The solving method is PV and PVC.

PV is maintained by the administration, it's the extern storage arranged. But PVC is for developer. When deploy the micro service, they can set up the pvc to arrange the space from PV. So PV and PVC coordinate to deploy the whole system.

4.1 NFS PersistentVolume

At first, install the NFS service in the master and slave nodes. Also define the mount path. Below are the PV and PVC configure file.

```
nfs-pv.yaml
apiVersion: v1
kind: PersistentVolume
metadata:
name: mypv1
spec:
capacity:
storage: 1Gi
accessModes:
    - ReadWriteOnce
persistentVolumeReclaimPolicy: Recycle
storageClassName: nfs
nfs:
    path: /tmp/pv1
server: 10.128.0.2
```

```
nfs-pvc.yaml
apiVersion: v1
kind: PersistentVolumeClaim
metadata:
name: mypvcl
spec:
accessModes:
   - ReadWriteOnce
resources:
   requests:
    storage: 1Gi
storageClassName: nfs
```

```
pod.yaml
apiVersion: v1
kind: Pod
metadata:
name: mypod1
spec:
containers:
  - name: mypod1
    image: busybox
    args:
     - /bin/sh
     - -C
    - sleep 30000
    volumeMounts:
     - mountPath: "/tmp"
      name: mydata
 volumes:
  - name: mydata
     persistentVolumeClaim:
       claimName: mypvc1
```

When run the pod, will mount the PVC path. Then use command to write something to the mount path. From the below running result, we can understand the PV and PVC in the NFS.

```
ubuntu@k8s-master:~$
ubuntu@k8s-master:~$ kubectl apply -f nfs-pvc1.yml
persistentvolumeclaim "mypvc1" created
ubuntu@k8s-master:~$
ubuntu@k8s-master:~$ kubectl get pvc
NAME STATUS
mypvc1 Bound
                    VOLUME
mypv1
                              CAPACITY
                                          ACCESSMODES
                                                         STORAGECLASS
                                                                         AGE
                              1Gi
                                          RWO
                                                         nfs
ubuntu@k8s-master:~$
ubuntu@k8s-master:~$ kubectl get pv
          CAPACITY ACCESSMODES RECLAIMPOLICY
                                                    STATUS
NAME
                                                                CLAIM
                                                                                  STORAGECLASS
                                                                                                 REASON
                                                                                                            AGE
mypv1 1Gi
ubuntu@k8s-master:~$
                                    Recycle
                                                     Bound
                                                                default/mypvc1
                                                                                                            6m
```

```
ubuntu@k8s-master:~$
ubuntu@k8s-master:~$ kubectl apply -f pod1.yml
pod "mypod1" created
ubuntu@k8s-master:~$
ubuntu@k8s-master:~$ kubectl get pod -o wide
NAME
          READY
                    STATUS
                              RESTARTS
                                                                  NODE
                                          AGE
mypod1
          1/1
                                          32s
                                                    10.244.4.60
                                                                  k8s-node1
                    Running
ubuntu@k8s-master:~$
```

```
ubuntu@k8s-master:~$
ubuntu@k8s-master:~$ kubectl exec mypod1 touch /mydata/hello
ubuntu@k8s-master:~$
ubuntu@k8s-master:~$ ls /nfsdata/pv1/
hello
ubuntu@k8s-master:~$
```

About is the static provision, there is another kind of provision, it's the dynamical provision. It arranges the storage according to the situation.

4.2 Database Practice

- Background: use NFS PV and PVC to database backup when the node shutdown.
- Steps:
 - Deploy the PV and PVC according to the below configure files.

```
mysql-pv.yaml
apiVersion: v1
kind: PersistentVolume
metadata:
name: mysql-pv
spec:
accessModes:
    - ReadWriteOnce
capacity:
    storage: 1Gi
persistentVolumeReclaimPolicy: Retain
storageClassName: nfs
nfs:
    path: /tmp/mysql-pv
server: 10.128.0.2
```

• Deploy the mysql pod and service.

```
piVersion: v1
kind: Service
metadata:
name: mysql
spec:
ports:
    - port: 3306
    selector:
    app: mysql

---
apiVersion: apps/v1
kind: Deployment
metadata:
    name: mysql
```

```
spec:
selector:
  matchLabels:
    app: mysql
 template:
  metadata:
    labels:
      app: mysql
  spec:
    containers:
     - image: mysgl:5.6
      name: mysql
      - name: MYSQL_ROOT_PASSWORD
        value: password
      ports:
       - containerPort: 3306
        name: mysql
      volumeMounts:
       - name: mysql-persistent-storage
        mountPath: /var/lib/mysql
    volumes:
     - name: mysql-persistent-storage
      persistentVolumeClaim:
        claimName: mysql-pvc
```

• Use the client to access the database, insert some messages into the database.

```
kubectl run -it --rm --image=mysql:5.6 --restart=Never mysql-client -- mysql
-h mysql -ppassword
```

```
mysql> use mysql (1)
Reading table information for completion of table and column names
You can turn off this feature to get a quicker startup with -A

Database changed
mysql> create table my_id( id int(4) ); (2)
Query OK, 0 rows affected (0.01 sec)

mysql> insert my_id values( 111 ); (3)
Query OK, 1 row affected (0.00 sec)

mysql> select * from my_id; (4)
+-----+
| id |
+-----+
| row in set (0.00 sec)

mysql>
```

• Shutdown the node1, then the database will be automatically backup to the node2. After backup, we can verify in the master node.

```
      ubuntu@k8s-master:~$

      kubectl get pod -o wide

      NAME
      READY
      STATUS
      RESTARTS
      AGE
      IP
      NODE

      mysql-2150355289-p13n5
      1/1
      Running
      0
      31s
      10.244.4.66
      k8s-node1

      mysql-2150355289-p99h8
      1/1
      Unknown
      0
      16m
      10.244.5.80
      k8s-node2

      ubuntu@k8s-master:~$
```

```
ubuntuek8s-master:~$
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kubectl run -it --rm --image=mysql:5.6 --restart=Never mysql-client -- mysql -h mysql -ppassword
If you don't see a command prompt, try pressing enter.

mysql> use mysql
Reading table information for completion of table and column names.
You can turn off this feature to get a quicker startup with -A

Database changed
mysql> select * from my_id;
+-----+
| id | |
+-----+
| row in set (0.00 sec)

mysql>
```