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1 Introduction

This tutorial offers a straightforward explanation of how to construct a Kubernetes cluster on an Ubuntu server. In part 2, we will discuss the instructions and technologies that are necessary in order to construct the cluster. By using the idea that several schedulers are simultaneously operating, which will be covered in the next section, we will have the ability to determine how to check both the custom scheduler and the default scheduler. We are going to walk over the code to have a better understanding of how it operates in accordance with the suggested scheduler. At long last, we will look at the process of configuring the monitoring tools prometheus and node exporter.

2 Tools and Technologies Required

The table that follows provides us with the prerequisite criteria that must be met before we can go on with the implementation of the proposed scheduler.

Design-Specification	
Tools & Technologies	Specification
Clustering Platform	AWS EC2
Application-Container	Ngnix
Operating System (OS)	Ubuntu Server 20.04 LTS
Container software	Docker version 20.10.12
Container orchestrator Platform	Kubernetes 1.20.0
tools for Monitoring	Prometheus and node exporter
Number of CPUs for Slave & Master	1 and 2 respectively
Coding language used	GoLang 1.18
Storage	minimum 4GiB memory
communication between pods and nodes	YAML

3 Clustering using Kubernetes

For this research, I am using AWS EC2 services in order to take the advantages provided by the cloud services.

I have decided to utilize Ubuntu Server 20.02 LTS since it will facilitate the formation of kubernetes clusters. I would ask that you refrain from using version 22.02 because it is not compatible with this endeavor.

3.1 Nodes Creation

We will require one master node in addition to two slave nodes in order to carry out this investigation. Since there is a significant amount of processing work involved, the master node will be constructed using a T2.Medium (which has 2 CPUs), while the slave nodes will be formed using a T2.micro, which has just one CPU. In the below figure we can see the commands to install Docker and Kubernetes and also kubectl in order to form the cluster. These commands can be written in a single shell script to make things easy. This

```
1 #On Master & worker node
2 sudo su
3 apt-get update
4 apt-get install docker.io -y
5 service docker restart
6 curl -s https://packages.cloud.google.com/apt/doc/apt-key.gpg | apt-key add -
7 echo "deb http://apt.kubernetes.io/ kubernetes-xenial main" >/etc/apt/sources.list.d/kubernetes.list
8 apt-get update
9 apt install kubeadm=1.20.0-00 kubect1=1.20.0-00 kubelet=1.20.0-00 -y |
```

Figure 1: Shell script code for installing prerequisites

Script needs to be run in all the nodes including master in order to form the cluster. First we need to run the below command.

sudo -i

then we need to run the shell script. After we need to run the command provided in the figure 2.

Step-2 which will generate kubelet token which needs to be used in the slave nodes. The token will be generated as shown in the figure 3

```
12 Step2:
13 On Master:
14   kubeadm init --pod-network-cidr=192.168.0.0/16
15   >Copy the token and paste it into the worker node.
16 Step3:
17 On Master:
18   exit
19   mkdir -p $HOME/.kube
20   sudo cp -i /etc/kubernetes/admin.conf $HOME/.kube/config
21   sudo chown $(id -u):$(id -g) $HOME/.kube/config
22
23 Step4:
24 On Master:
25   kubectl apply -f https://docs.projectcalico.org/manifests/calico.yaml
26   kubectl apply -f https://raw.githubusercontent.com/kubernetes/ingress-nginx/controller-v0.49.0/deploy/static/provider/baremetal/deploy.yaml
```

Figure 2: Steps for creating cluster that needs to be executed in master node

After this, we are required to copy the token, and we must ensure that this process is completed as rapidly as possible since the token has a time limit.

Step-3

The token is then executed on the slave nodes, after which we will be presented with the command that we have to execute on the master node in order to validate that the cluster has been created. This can be shown in the figure 4.

```

Alternatively, if you are the root user, you can run:

export KUBECONFIG=/etc/kubernetes/admin.conf

You should now deploy a pod network to the cluster.
Run "kubectl apply -f [podnetwork].yaml" with one of the options listed at:
https://kubernetes.io/docs/concepts/cluster-administration/addons/

Then you can join any number of worker nodes by running the following on each as root:

kubeadm join 172.31.47.16:6443 --token trmyp0.jyzg2lxqlhyjrd7u \
--discovery-token-ca-cert-hash sha256:aadfe8cbbbedfd07d216b665152b58d57936695db600a8e79b0e78d07d09ed77
root@ip-172-31-47-16:~#

```

Figure 3: kubeadm token in order to form cluster

```

[kubelet-start] Waiting for the kubelet to perform the TLS Bootstrap...

This node has joined the cluster:
* Certificate signing request was sent to apiservert and a response was received.
* The Kubelet was informed of the new secure connection details.

Run 'kubectl get nodes' on the control-plane to see this node join the cluster.

root@ip-172-31-46-65:~#

```

Figure 4: The nodes have joined the cluster

Step-4:

Before running the command

Kubectl get nodes

we need to follow the steps 3 and 4 provided in the master node so that we give permission for these nodes to communicate and form the cluster. After these steps are executed when we provide the get nodes command we will see the nodes have been joined the cluster this is shown in the below figure 5.

```

root@ip-172-31-47-16:~# kubectl get nodes
NAME                STATUS    ROLES          AGE    VERSION
ip-172-31-34-122    Ready    <none>         6m57s  v1.20.0
ip-172-31-46-65     Ready    <none>         6m50s  v1.20.0
ip-172-31-47-16     Ready    control-plane, 7m25s  v1.20.0
root@ip-172-31-47-16:~#

```

Figure 5: kubeadm command to get the nodes from the master node

3.2 Kubernetes UI Dashboard

The Kubernetes portal is where the clusters node bindings, deployments binding, and applications binding are located.

kubectl apply -f <https://raw.githubusercontent.com/kubernetes/dashboard/v2.6.1/aio/deploy/recommended.yaml>

Utilizing the kubectl command line interface and executing the command line, you will be able to authorize access to a Dashboard. **kubectl proxy**

The dashboard will be available at the below link.

<http://localhost:8001/api/v1/namespaces/kubernetes-dashboard/services/https:kubernetes-dashboard:/proxy/>

If facing any issues kindly check the following website:¹

¹<https://kubernetes.io/docs/tasks/access-application-cluster/web-ui-dashboard/>

4 Scheduler Code Explanation

Once we clone the scheduler folder present in the code artifacts we can see the following folders of files which are implemented to perform scheduling according to the proposed way.

The execution of the scheduler will start with main.go file first as it does the monitoring part. `monitorUnscheduledPods()` is a method that can be found inside the main.go file (Kindly check the code artifacts) transfer the file to . After constantly monitoring for every requests which have been generated by the user, it will set up a pod as well as assign a nodes to it. After all this, the pods will be ready for usage. The code can be shown in the figure 6.

```
const schedulerName = "customScheduler"

func main() {
    log.Printf("Starting %s scheduler...", schedulerName)

    doneChan := make(chan struct{})
    var wg sync.WaitGroup

    wg.Add(1)
    go monitorUnscheduledPods(doneChan, &wg)

    wg.Add(1)
    go reconcileUnscheduledPods(30, doneChan, &wg)

    signalChan := make(chan os.Signal, 1)
    signal.Notify(signalChan, syscall.SIGINT, syscall.SIGTERM)
    for {
        select {
        case <-signalChan:
            log.Printf("Shutdown signal received, exiting...")
            close(doneChan)
            wg.Wait()
            os.Exit(0)
        }
    }
}
```

Figure 6: main.go file present in the scheduler folder

```
func getUnscheduledPods() ([]*Pod, error) {
    var podList PodList
    unscheduledPods := make([]*Pod, 0)

    v := url.Values{}
    v.Set("fieldSelector", "spec.nodeName=")

    request := &http.Request{
        Header: make(http.Header),
        Method: http.MethodGet,
        URL: &url.URL{
            Host:    apiHost,
            Path:    podsEndpoint,
            RawQuery: v.Encode(),
            Scheme: "http",
        },
    }
    request.Header.Set("Accept", "application/json, */*")

    resp, err := http.DefaultClient.Do(request)
    if err != nil {
        return unscheduledPods, err
    }
    err = json.NewDecoder(resp.Body).Decode(&podList)
    if err != nil {
        return unscheduledPods, err
    }
}
```

Figure 7: Code for getUnscheduledPods() method

```
func getBestNode(nodes []Node) (Node, error) {
    // Get name of best node per metrics
    bestNodeName, err := getBestNodeName(nodes)
    fmt.Printf("Best Node Name: %s\n", bestNodeName)
    if err != nil {
        return Node{}, err
    }
    // Initialize best node to nil
    var bestNode *Node
    bestNode = &Node{}

    // Find actual node with that name
    for _, n := range nodes {
        // if name of node n matches bestNodeName
        // save that as bestNode
        nodeName := n.Metadata.Name
        if nodeName == bestNodeName {
            fmt.Printf("Found Best Node\n")
            bestNode = &n
            break
        }
    }

    // return best node and error if any
    if bestNode != nil {
        return *bestNode, nil
    } else {
        return Node{}, fmt.Errorf("Unable to match best node name")
    }
}
```

Figure 8: code for getBestNode() method

```
func bind(pod *Pod, node Node) error {
    binding := Binding{
        ApiVersion: "v1",
        Kind:        "Binding",
        Metadata:   Metadata{Name: pod.Metadata.Name},
        Target: Target{
            ApiVersion: "v1",
            Kind:        "Node",
            Name:        node.Metadata.Name,
        },
    }
}
```

Figure 9: code for bind() method

Next comes the step of getting all the unscheduled list pods, here annotations are used to match the pods to the response. check the figure 7 for the implementation.

The process from here goes to the **SchedulePods** method which in turn calls the **SchedulePod** where the input is given as each of the pods which needs to be scheduled. This method will in turn call the **getBestNode** and **Bind** methods in the figures 9 and 9. The **fit()** method is composed of two different functional components: first, it will accept the input, which is a pod that has been given by the **schedulePod()** method, conduct the proper filtering, and determine the set of nodes that is most suited.

This list of nodes is then sent along as an input to the **getBestNode()** method, which is the implementation of how to get the metric data of the nodes from the prometheus server API. Based on the collected metric data, this strategy chooses the node that is deemed to confer the most benefit onto the network as a whole.

Bind() This function takes as arguments both the pod that has been chosen by the **schedulePod()** method and the best node that has been chosen by the **getBestNode()** method. The method then binds the pod to the best node that has been chosen. This concludes the procedure that was previously followed.

In order to run the scheduler we need to download the go language in the server of AWS EC2.

```
sudo apt install golang-go
```

5 Deployment of the pods

We install five pods in order to compare the performance of the custom scheduler to that of the default scheduler in Kubernetes. These pods are named as follows: Sleep (two replicas), Nginx (one replica) on both the default scheduler and the custom scheduler, including sys (1 replica).

In order to create a Pod, we need to declare the API type as V1, and the pod's type ought to be as depicted in the image below. The 'name' field in metadata is what's utilized for identifying purposes, regardless of the specification. The customScheduler scheduler has to be specified as the schedulerName.

As we see the figure 10 and 11, these two yaml files are used to test the working of the schedulers. The **resting time. yaml** is indeed a pod which demands 1800Mi of storage and has an unlimited capacity for sleeping. In all, we need to deploy two of sleep pods and make a request of 3,600 megabytes of RAM. The default for the test. **yaml** triggers the execution of the Nginx app using the standard scheduler as well as by using **testcus-toms.yaml**. The Nginx app is executed by **yaml** just on user-defined scheduler.

5.1 Steps to be followed in order to create pods

Following the formation of pod, we can generate pods by using **kubectl create -f file/podname.yaml** command.

If we run the command **kubectl get pods** the current condition of a pods is displayed

```

scheduler > deployments > ! sleep.yaml > apiVersion
io.k8s.api.apps.v1.Deployment (v1@deployment.json)
1  apiVersion: apps/v1
2  kind: Deployment
3  metadata:
4    name: sleep
5  spec:
6    replicas: 2
7    selector:
8      matchLabels:
9        app: sleep
10   template:
11     metadata:
12       labels:
13         app: sleep
14     spec:
15       serviceAccount: default
16       containers:
17         - name: sleep
18           image: tutum/curl
19           command: ["/bin/sleep","infinity"]
20           imagePullPolicy: IfNotPresent
21           resources:
22             requests:
23               memory: "1800Mi"
24

```

Figure 10: sleep.yaml

```

apiVersion: v1
kind: Pod
metadata:
  labels:
    app: sysbench
    name: sysbench
spec:
  containers:
  - command:
    - sysbench
    - --test=memory
    - --memory-block-size=2G
    - --memory-total-size=5T
    - --memory-oper=read
    - --memory-access-mode=rnd
    - --num-threads=10
    - run
    image: severalnines/sysbench
    name: sysbench
    restartPolicy: Never

```

Figure 11: sys.yaml

6 Executing multiple schedulers

The default schedule that comes with Kubernetes is outlined in this article. You are free to create your custom scheduler in the event that the one that comes as standard does not meet your requirements. In addition, you are able to run numerous schedulers concurrently in addition to a default scheduler, and you may direct Kubernetes to utilize a specific scheduler for each the pods. This feature is available with the default scheduler.

6.1 Put the scheduler into a package.

We need to execute the following commands:

```
git clone
```

```
https://github.com/kubernetes/kubernetes.git
```

```
cd kubernetes
```

```
make
```

Make that the kube scheduler binary is included in the docker container that you create.

The Docker file that will be used to construct the image:

```
FROM busybox
```

```
ADD ./_output/local/bin/linux/amd64/kube-scheduler /usr/local/bin/kube-scheduler
```

Now that the configuration has been created, we will need to launch it on the Kubernetes cluster.

6.2 Start the cluster's secondary scheduling service

Create a deployment described inside the config above for a Kubernetes cluster in order to execute your scheduler there:

```
kubectl create -f my-scheduler.yaml
```


Make sure the scheduler pod is active by doing the following:

```
kubectl get pods --namespace=kube-system
```

Check the following kubernetes official document for further assistance ²

7 Configuration of Monitoring Tools

EC2 Instance Launch

In this step while creating the EC2 instance we need to add port number **9090** in order to allow the traffic of prometheus.

Prometheus Install When it comes to running certain services, it is advised that a user other than root be created. This will assist in isolating Prometheus as well as adding an additional layer of defense to the system. In addition to this, we have to create two directories: one to store the setup for Prometheus, but another to store the data it generates.

```
sudo useradd --no-create-home prometheus
sudo mkdir /etc/prometheus
sudo mkdir /var/lib/prometheus
```

Figure 12: Prometheus command for making directories

Installing the Prometheus is the next step now.

```
wget
https://github.com/prometheus/prometheus/releases/download/v2.37.0/prometheus-2.37.0.linux-amd64.tar.gz
tar xvfz prometheus-2.37.0.linux-amd64

sudo cp prometheus-2.37.0.linux-amd64/prometheus /usr/local/bin
sudo cp prometheus-2.37.0.linux-amd64/promtool /usr/local/bin/
sudo cp -r prometheus-2.37.0.linux-amd64/conssoles /etc/prometheus
sudo cp -r prometheus-2.37.0.linux-amd64/console_libraries
/etc/prometheus

sudo cp prometheus-2.37.0.linux-amd64/promtool /usr/local/bin/
rm -rf prometheus-2.37.0.linux-amd64.tar.gz prometheus-2.37.0.linux-amd64
```

Figure 13: Prometheus Installing command

In the beginning, as an evidence of concept, we are able to enable Prometheus constantly monitor itself; but, in order to do so, we need to build or alter the data of `/etc/prometheus/prometheus.yml`

²<https://kubernetes.io/docs/tasks/extend-kubernetes/configure-multiple-schedulers/>

```

global:
  scrape_interval: 15s
  external_labels:
    monitor: 'prometheus'

scrape_configs:
  - job_name: 'prometheus'
    static_configs:
      - targets: ['localhost:9090']

```

Figure 14: prometheus.yml

In this case, it would be helpful if Prometheus could be made accessible like a service. In order for Prometheus to launch the operating system each time the system is restarted. First, write the prometheus.service file in /etc/systemd/system. Now that we've

```

[Unit]
Description=Prometheus
Wants=network-online.target
After=network-online.target

[Service]
User=prometheus
Group=prometheus
Type=simple
ExecStart=/usr/local/bin/prometheus \
  --config.file /etc/prometheus/prometheus.yml \
  --storage.tsdb.path /var/lib/prometheus/ \
  --web.console.templates=/etc/prometheus/consoles \
  --web.console.libraries=/etc/prometheus/console_libraries

[Install]
WantedBy=multi-user.target

```

Figure 15: prometheus.service

introduced new directories, documents, and binary to our system, we need to make a few modifications to the permissions associated with those components.

```

sudo chown prometheus:prometheus /etc/prometheus
sudo chown prometheus:prometheus /usr/local/bin/prometheus
sudo chown prometheus:prometheus /usr/local/bin/promtool
sudo chown -R prometheus:prometheus /etc/prometheus/consoles
sudo chown -R prometheus:prometheus /etc/prometheus/console_libraries
sudo chown -R prometheus:prometheus /var/lib/prometheus

```

Figure 16: Modification to the permissions

Currently, the only thing left to do is setup the systemd.
In order to run the prometheus we need to restart it

