

Automated Application Deployment using Kubernetes in Cloud

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ABSTRACT

In the cloud computing environment kubernetes is an open-source container-based orchestration platform. It automates the deployment, scaling, manage the applications. Kubernetes managed the deployment of thousands of applications within Google. It can be tracing back the applications from the cloud. Google open-sourced version of Borg is Kubernetes. Managing with large scale applications in the data center cloud is always a difficult task. To manage with large scale applications in different workload conditions and to handle critical data required containerized environment. In this paper discussed with the design and development of kubernetes in the cloud. Setting up master slave model and it responsible for allocating task and complete the deployment in cluster. The infrastructure using terraform is supported to scale down the application and track the status of nodes in kubernetes cluster. In the proposed model discussed low-cost deliver pay as you go model in the cloud computing.

KEYWORDS

Kubernetes, Terraform, Grafana, Ansible, Docker.

Introduction

Kubernetes is an open-source container orchestration system for automating software deployment, scaling, and management. Originally kubernetes was designed by Google, but the Cloud Native Computing Foundation maintains cloud. Kubernetes, Docker, Container, and CRI-O Originally, it interfaced exclusively with the Docker runtime through a "Dockershim" but it was replaced with the container runtime interface^[1]. Ansible playbooks, inventory, provisioning tools, and domain expertise are all combined in Kubespray to handle general OS/Kubernetes cluster configuration management duties. Kubespray offers a cluster, that is extremely available composable characteristics most widely used Linux distributions and is supported Ansible playbooks, inventory, provisioning tools, and domain expertise are all combined in Kubespray to handle general OS/Kubernetes cluster configuration management duties.

To isolate the performance of containers, Kubernetes is adequate. This differs from earlier studies, which have a stronger emphasis on effective resource management than on performance interference and to assess the performance interference between two sets of network and CPU-intensive containers, as well as between different sets of these containers. According to the findings of our evaluation, even with Kubernetes' resource management, co-located containers cause containers' performance to drop by 50%. Also demonstrates that CPU contention, not network bandwidth, is the primary driver of performance interference across numerous network-intensive containers. As a result, in order to reduce performance interference, Kubernetes must take into account the CPU utilization of network-related workloads in resource management.

Software engineers spend half of their working hours wading through the work of our forerunners, but veterans and great people of the community do emerge and just as the working individuals have learnt the lessons about

writing the code, the community has learned collective lessons to work with software development at scale. It is not easy to see these larger trends when they are busy doing small bug fixes. DevOps is one of these huge trends^[2].

It is basically the mixture of two separate worlds of software development into one common cycle. It is not a recent act of invention. It is a result of years of iteration. The deployment and management of applications in large-scale clustered environments are always a difficult task. Docker, Kubernetes, Terraform are a few various container orchestration frameworks that exist in the market. There is still a lack of the best suited orchestration solution. The purpose of this work is to fill the gap and provide the better result for the same.

In the Kubernetes master and slave, Kubernetes consists of a master process that manages slave daemons running on each cluster node and frameworks that run tasks on these slaves. The Terraform framework which is built to provision the infrastructure initializing, planning and applying. ^[3]The Kubespray is used for building ready cluster configuration information and to track the status of nodes in the Kubernetes cluster. In the EC2 instance which is used to host the virtual machines which will contain the private and public address for every instances, it can be connected to the Kubernetes cluster in order to deploy the application.

1. Kubernetes: Services Offered

1.1 e-Commerce

Zopsmart gives retailer's customers a world-class shopping experience during intuitive search to quickly find products. Personalized product listing for ease of ordering. Self-service rescheduling and returns functionality for frictionless order experience.

1.2 m-Commerce

Provide to the customer as superlative shopping experience on mobile devices - Responsive website that adapts to all screen sizes. Native Android and iOS mobile apps for world-class experience. Persistent cart across devices for convenience^[4].

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1.4 Digital Marketing

Create targeted marketing campaigns for highest ROI - Customer segmentation for targeted campaigns. Conditional coupons to avoid leakage and unintended use. Integrated communication engine to easily send emails, sms and app-notifications.

1.5 e-Wallet

Use integrated wallet to build customer loyalty - Integrated wallet to enable quick and hassle-free checkout. Refunds and cashback to wallet and encourage repeat purchase. Wallet-credit as gift-cards for acquiring new customers at low cost.

1.6 Customer Management

Manage your online as well as offline customers easily and efficiently - Single interface to view all your customers with their contact details. Available details of each customer's purchase history, orders and loyalty points. Option to contact the customer from the interface by phone-call, sms and email.

1.7 Order Management

Manage your orders easily and efficiently - Single interface to see all your orders with their details such as customer name, value and order-status. Predefined order statuses that change with completion of every process step. Option to add or edit the items in the order.

1.8 Monitoring and Analytics

Run your business with minimal supervision - Real time tracking to monitor each aspect of your business. Deviation alerts in the operations process to trigger timely interventions. Intelligent analytics to identify trends for process improvements. Detailed logs for each action to trace back any errors.

1.9 SmartPOS

Give your customers to a truly omnichannel shopping experience - Single customer account across channels (Walk-in, Online, Kiosk and Tele). Enables purchase from a channel & returns from any channel. Common loyalty program across channels. Works offline too^[5].

1.10 SmartSelf-checkout

Mobile app-based queue-buster for your store - Adds products to cart by scanning product barcodes. Adds products to cart using search-box. All modern online methods available for payment. Enables quick security-check and exit from the store.

1.11 SmartProduct-locator

Mobile app-based product-locator for your store customers - Uses WiFi or infrared beacons to locate customer's position. Provides an exact path to reach the product. Alerts store staff to help customers. Alerts store staff if item not found. Allows customers to proceed for self-checkout.

2. Literature review

The infrastructure with load balancers and node pools and kubernetes cluster to provision the set of master and worker nodes. To do this, we run a number of experimental evaluations of containers to track how system resources such as CPU, memory, storage, and network behave. For comparison, a Kubernetes cluster that was manually installed served as the baseline.

The system's specification, component design, implementation, and evaluation of chosen infrastructure to develop a monitoring engine and network-related statistics in the cloud platform and also tells about the IP address of the instances and all the resources which are provisioned. Discussed the advantage of employing the IaaS concept over manual activities needed to restore the system in cases where complicated cloud systems are involved^[6].

The generic framework which is named as Kube-Monitor for real-time monitoring of a heterogeneous Kubernetes cluster's resources, which include traditional data center devices and Raspberry Pi devices, as well as monitoring pod resource requirements. Kube-Monitor will collect 15 different cluster resource metrics and update their values every five seconds. The containerizing environment leads to an OS level virtualization and from that we can run multiple services on a single host. This Kubernetes helps to scheduling and managing clusters and that act as an ecosystem for managing clusters of containers. The Kubernetes environment has a manual load balancing for providing high availability. The solution combines our HyperFlow workflow management system with de facto standards and widely used tools like Terraform and Kubernetes.

The goal is to introduce a generic framework which is named as Kube-Monitor for real-time monitoring of a heterogeneous Kubernetes cluster's resources^[8], which include traditional data center devices and Raspberry Pi devices, as well as monitoring pod resource requirements but fail to work on the testing or production environment due to the environment differences, if any. Containerization comes into the picture to address such challenges.

The system's specification, component design, implementation, and evaluation of chosen infrastructure to develop a monitoring engine for exposing JVM and network-related statistics of the mentioned system using Docker Swarm, Apache Spark, Graphite, and Grafana. Virtual machines solve many problems by optimizing the resources. The developers are concerned that the code is working fine on the development environment^[9,10].

The aim is to provide a comprehensive description of cloud orchestration approaches with containers^[11], analyzing current research efforts, existing solutions and presenting issues and challenges facing this topic to easily find the configurations of the pods, running services and deployments in the cluster they talk about the results show that the overall performance of Kubernetes for the deployment purpose in the cloud and also working it locally using the mini-kube cluster.^[12] Effectiveness of the Kubernetes technology in a setting like this by testing and analyzing the three previously stated characteristics. Additionally, the testing experiment might show a piece of data on the dashboard for the sake of visualization and analysis.

The Container orchestration systems^[13], such as Docker Swarm, Kubernetes and Mesos, provide automated support for deployment and management of distributed applications. By launching a web application on Microsoft Azure using only code, they have shown the value and significance of IaC using Azure Resource Manager (ARM) Templates. The deployment and management process were shown to be more agile when ARM templates were used. Using Terraform

and Pulumi, we will also demonstrate IaC. The relationship between IaC and the ideas of code repeatability and reusability is also covered in the study.

The main goal is to analyze current options of Docker container orchestration and their advantages and disadvantages while deploying the applications in the cloud and also retrieving the images from the docker hub registry or from the other registry and examines the TOSCA standard as well as the tools that have received the most citations in the literature, including Cloudify, Heat, CloudFormation, Terraform, and Cloud Assembly. An experiment in practice and a review of the literature showed that Terraform and Cloudify have a strong affinity for sky computing scenarios. Terraform performed better than Cloudify in the experiment in a number of ways.

Apache Mesos, a cluster-wide resource manager, which is widely deployed in massive scale at several Clouds and Data Centers to give the best service and also the performance for the applications which is deployed in the cloud. The core of this effort is making effective use of these modules when creating the code. Ansible is chosen above the other tools since it lacks an agent and connects to Linux and Windows systems through the SSH and WinRM protocols, respectively. Using the automation of Ansible and Terraform over cloud servers^[14].

The technology based on Docker application container cluster is gradually moving towards a production environment and also its advantages in production deployment services and an intermediate template based on the Specification will be created using this metadata. It will then be processed by the deployment and execution engine, which will further assemble the necessary template parts into the appropriate infrastructure-as-code for tools like Kubernetes, Terraform, and Ansible. In order to provide a user-friendly interface for those who are unfamiliar with Manufacturing-as-a-Service and Digital Twins, an implementation of the solution is now being built for a European project looking into these topics^[15].

Apache Mesos framework for container orchestration^[16] providing a REST API for starting, stopping, and scaling applications including non-containerized infrastructures like Amazon Lambda and non-containerized infrastructures like Kubernetes or Amazon ECS. The resulting technology enables the execution of hybrid workflows that make use of several computing infrastructures and considerably reduce the difficulty associated with managing repetitive infrastructures for carrying out scientific workflow research.^[17] highlights about terraform as a powerful, feasible approach to build the infrastructure in the cloud according to the need of the application and mentioned the outlines of a novel approach to elastic container cloud scaling that uses a prediction model and a queuing network to estimate future web application request arrival rates and determine the ideal number of Kubernetes service replicaset. Finally, a Kubernetes cluster is put up in a testing environment, and experiments are planned to validate our approach's efficacy. These survey papers provided an overview of container orchestration tool frameworks like Kubernetes, Docker swarm, and Terraform as well as an analysis of their current issues and upcoming challenges that must be resolved. In this way, the papers gave readers a better understanding of the difficulties that these frameworks face. [18] It also explains about Marathon as a framework for the Terraform, Marathon provides the graphical user interface for the connected masters and slaves of container orchestration also provides the REST Api for the coordination between the cluster. In these survey papers got to know about the deployment of kubernetes clusters through terraform in the cloud. The creation of the VPC, RDS, instances and cluster services has got to know. The study gives more concentration on deploying an application in the cloud through the automation of terraform by specifying the required details^[19].

The study highlights the technology based on Docker application container clusters is gradually moving towards a production environment. They also explained about Kubernetes as a framework for container orchestration. It helped to analyze current options of Docker container orchestration and their advantages and disadvantages. It includes discussion on Kubernetes, Terraform, which is widely deployed for massive scale Cloud applications and Data Centers^[20].

3. Proposed System

The proposed system intends to provide the infrastructure solution that provides the organizations with low cost ways to deliver their website and web application also providing pay as you go, Database storage, compute power and other functionality to help businesses scale and grow, enhancing security to protect data and workloads.

This platform's creation transformed how businesses construct, move applications between data centers, and maintain them in real-time. It also serves as a platform for application deployment. Application deployment, upkeep, scalability, and networking are all automated by container orchestration. Container orchestration may be the only reliable option in the modern world, when businesses must deploy and manage several

hosts.

Technologies used

- Kubernetes is a portable, extensible, open-source platform for managing containerized workloads and services, that facilitates both declarative configuration and automation. It has a large, rapidly growing ecosystem. Kubernetes services, support, and tools are widely available and the most well-liked platform for container orchestration allows users to build and execute several containers in cloud settings. Because performance isolation is a crucial element in determining the quality of a service, Kubernetes provides resource management to isolate the resource utilization of containers on a host server.
- Terraform is an infrastructure as code tool that lets you define both cloud and on-prem resources in human-readable configuration files that you can version, reuse, and share. You can then use a consistent workflow to provision and manage all of your infrastructure throughout its lifecycle. Traditional forms of cloud service delivery include Infrastructure as a Service (IaaS), Platform as a Service (PaaS), and Software as a Service (SaaS). According to Gartner, by 2022, 90% of businesses that use IaaS services will do so through a provider that also provides PaaS, and these businesses will employ both of that provider's services.
- AWS (Amazon Web Services) is a comprehensive, evolving cloud computing platform provided by Amazon that includes a mixture of infrastructure as a service (IaaS), platform as a service (PaaS) and packaged software as a service (SaaS) offerings and a review of security studies in the area of cloud security is provided. Following a security analysis, we have shown how AWS (Amazon Web Service) cloud computing.

Test-bed Environment

To setup a cloud environment required 32 GB Minimum and 64 GB Maximum disk space with processor 1.5 GHz 64 bit like NVIDIA, Hewlett-Packard, 16 GB Minimum and 32 GB Maximum RAM memory, Bare-metal server- Depending on the infrastructure requirement, Linux/MacOS Operating system, Firefox latest version 99.0- Browser, AWS CLI version 2 Platform, Minimum Version: 20.10.6 Maximum Version: 21.11.10, Docker and Minimum Version: 0.12, Maximum Version: 1.1.1 Terraform.

Deployment Specifications

In the Kubernetes identify the optimal container orchestration framework from a bunch of existing tools. Kubernetes found to be the one which fulfills the requirement for the testbed. For the Terraform setup, In Minikube master and slave setups are configured. Terraform will provide the infrastructure for the resources by provisioning it in the cloud.

Further, it is to build an infrastructure for the application to automate in the Terraform cloud using the GitHub Actions to create it in the Amazon Web Service and to give the availability to the users by configuring the YAML files to deploy it in the Kubernetes cluster,

Once the application is deployed all the deployment daemons should be running in the Kubernetes cluster. Containerized and non-containerized applications, making it easier for corporate organizations to choose Mesos when working on ongoing projects. Because it is weakly connected, using containerized Docker images will make it easier for testers to avoid dependency problems.

User: Anyone who is interacting with the software is a user.

Load balancer: to equally convey load over a bunch of backend assets or servers.

VPN Gateway: VPN Portal sends encrypted activity between an AWS instance and a non-premises area over the open Internet

Acronyms and Abbreviations

HCL: HashiCorp configuration Language

YAML : Yet another markup language

JSON: Javascript object notation

OS: operating system

First phase: Minikube Setup

- a. Identifying the optimal container orchestration framework based on the existing infrastructure.
- b. Kubernetes master and slave setup according to the requirement with the application.
- c. Setting up the yaml files to configure the automation of the application performance in the deployment environment.
- d. Creating the cluster with the configured files to run all the services and pod.

Second phase: Provisioning the Infrastructure Using Terraform

- a) Terraform setup for initializing all the providers to download and the hashicorp registry api.
- b) Terraform plan is for getting all the plan of the infrastructure that is going to be provisioned in the AWS platform
- c) Terraform apply is to setup all the provisioned resources that will be provisioned in the AWS platform.

Deploying the Application

Purpose: To deploy the application with no downtime for the users
Input: Docker File

Function: Docker file is validated and retrieved from the registry

Output: Kubernetes cluster will show the running deployment daemons, pods and services of the application in the cluster

Provisioning the Infrastructure

Purpose: To build the infrastructure in the AWS platform for the Kubernetes.

Input: Terraform files

Function: when

terraform is applied it should provision the infrastructure in the cloud platform which will satisfy the application requirements.

Output: Provisioned resources in the cloud and also the backend state file.

Establishing Connection

Purpose: To connect the kubernetes cluster with the endpoint obtained in the terraform
Input : IP address of the instance.

Function: By running the ssh commands to connect to the instance from the kubernetes cluster.

Output: The application will be accessible from any browser.

External Interfaces Requirements

User Interface: The user interface for the software shall only be compatible with Browser.

Hardware Interface: MONITOR: Any LCD, LED, TFT displays can be used

Software Interface:

Virtual box is used for machines as well as different technologies like copy, netifaces and libraries have been used. Amazon web services cloud platform is required to configure and deploy the website.

4. Architectural Design

The infrastructure for the application which is deployed, kubernetes cluster to remove the downtime for the users and give the high availability in order to access the application in the cloud. The deployment of containers has changed the way organizations create, ship, and maintain applications in real-time. module enables an additional level of abstraction and it also ensures the smooth network flow traffic between the clients and the provided specific servers by hiding the actual server details. Nginx reverse proxy acts as an intermediate server that intercepts client requests and forwards them to the appropriate upstream backend server and subsequently forwarded a response from

the server back to the client. The reverse proxy provides various benefits as an abstract layer above upstream servers.

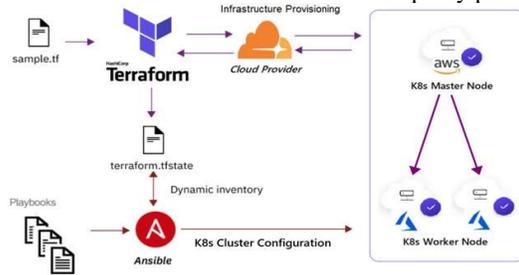


Figure 1: Block diagram of Kubernetes

The block diagram of the task is basic and adaptable, here is the block diagram which comprises the relative multitude of significant modules present in the undertaking.

Figure 1 shows the design of the undertaking and the total progression of the interaction. It shows the general engineering of the framework developed. This includes provisioning the terraform infrastructure in the cloud and by running the ansible playbooks to make the ready cluster in the Kubernetes.

4.1 Deploying the Application

Deploying the application provides high availability in the Kubernetes cluster to give the availability for the users to use the application which is already available in the internet and also allows users to specify the computing resources for their pods in the pod description file, which provides resource management. Therefore, while requesting the development of a pod, customers use the description file along with required computer resources. By hiding the actual server information, the module offers an additional degree of abstraction while simultaneously ensuring seamless network traffic between the clients and the specified particular servers. The Nginx reverse proxy functions as a middle server that receives client requests, routes them to the proper upstream backend server, and then routes the server's response back to the client. The reverse proxy offers a number of advantages as an auxiliary layer above upstream servers.

4.2 Provisioning the infrastructure

When the terraform is initialized it will download all the required resources and it will be provisioned in the cloud platform according to the requirement of the application and also to reduce the application downtime for the users to use the application. The computing resources are then reserved using cgroups and tc in the chosen host server by Kubernetes, which chooses host servers to operate the pod. Coordinate infrastructure modifications among various public and private cloud service providers. It is a flexible infrastructure solution that may be used to manage software and services.

4.3 Deploying the application to cloud Module

The application should be available to end user through openly accessible URIs for that reason the application is deployed in cloud resources with load balancer load balancer helps to balance the traffic on the virtual machines and also suppose one machine is down then another machine works it increases availability and for deploying the project ansible is used ansible is automation tool which can automate the whole deployment process. A containerized application runs somewhere in the cluster, and Kubernetes tells its parts where to locate one another and keep them all running continuously. Regardless of which node is active, the programme does not care. As a result, Kubernetes can move the application at any time by consuming more network resources than would be possible with manual configuration technique.

5. Conclusion

In this paper discussed with the development of generic platform to facilitate dynamic resource provisioning over Kubernetes. Paper insights with the applications of Kubernetes and functionalities. The tools and technologies used and test-bed specifications to deploy an application in the Kubernetes has discussed. Architectural design of Kubernetes and the various stages of application deployment concept are highlighted. Finally the interaction of terraform, ansible and AWS while deploying an application has discussed. In future to retrieve the activities of a particular user and display at the starting page when the user logs in with google, so that each user activity is logged on the server can be implemented.

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