



Docker and Containers

Module 8: Introduction Kubernetes (K8s)

1. Short introduction.
2. Demo: The docklab.de swarm.
3. Demo: The Raft Consensus Algorithm.



What is Kubernetes?

- **Kubernetes (K8s) is an open-source system for automating deployment, scaling, and management of containerized applications.**
- **Kubernetes is the Greek word for governor (κυβερνήτης).
K8s = starting with K, 8 letters between, ending with s)**
- **Designed by Google (2014) and now maintained by the Cloud Native Computing Foundation.**
- **Heavily tested by Google** which runs billions of containers using K8s weekly.
- It aims to provide a **platform for automating everything** like deployment, scaling, operations and monitoring of application containers across clusters of hosts.
- Mainly used to orchestrate **large deployments**.
- Kubernetes is **offered as a service on multiple public clouds**, including AWS, Microsoft Azure, DigitalOcean and Google Kubernetes Engine (GKE)
- K8s was written in **Go Language**

From: <https://kubernetes.io/>, <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kubernetes>



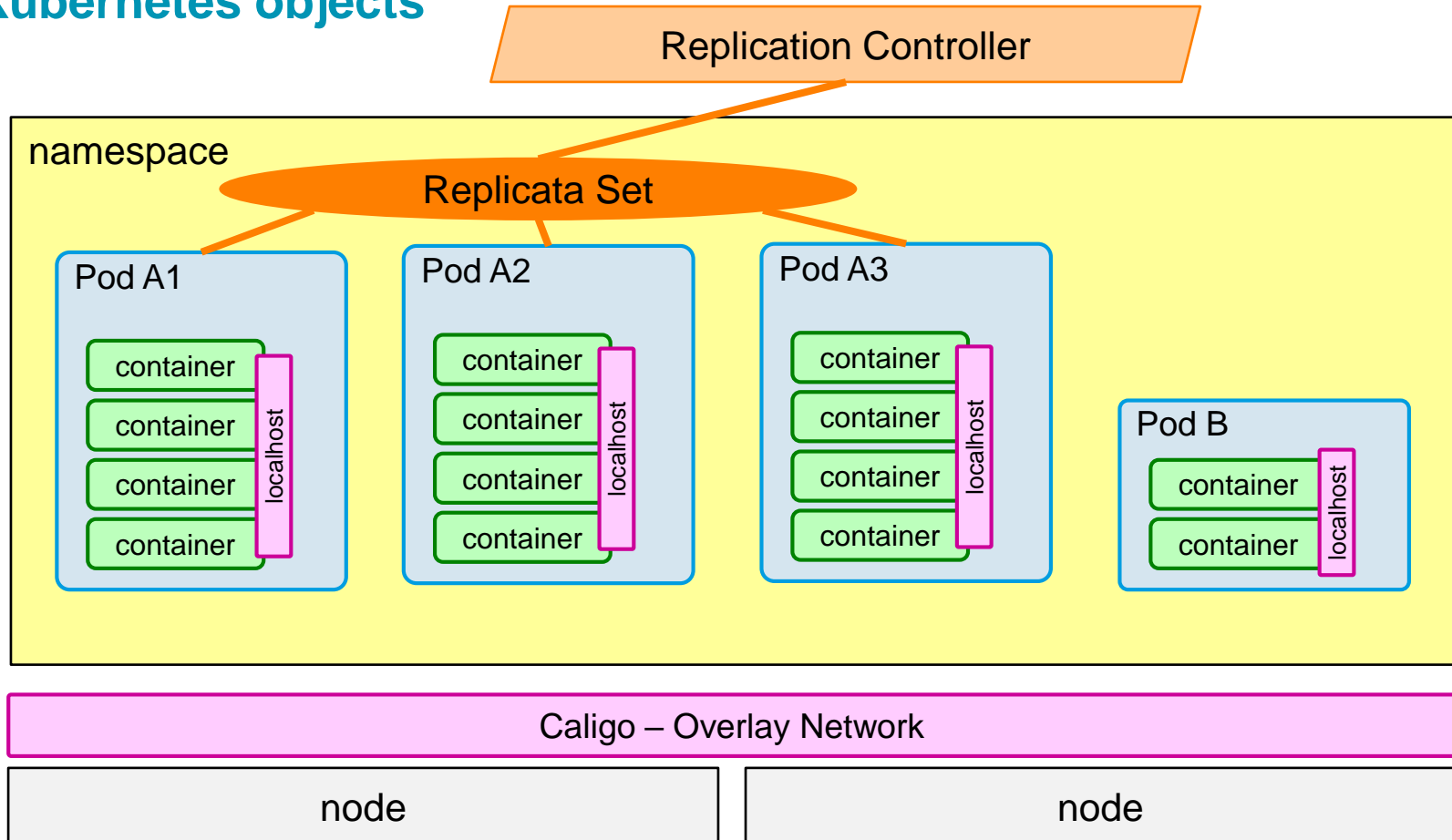
Kubernetes key features

- **Horizontal scaling**
Scales the application up and down from command line or UI.
- **Automated rollouts and rollbacks**
Rolls outs changes **while monitoring** the health of your application. If something goes wrong, k8s will rollback the change automatically.
- **Service discovery and load balancing**
- **Storage orchestration**
Auto mount local, **public cloud or a network storage.**
- **Secret and configuration management**
- **Self-healing**
Restarts failed containers, replaces and reschedules containers when nodes die, **kills containers that don't respond**
- **Automatic load balancing**
k8s **schedules containers based on resource requirements** and other constraints.

Compare: *What is Kubernetes (k8s)? Introduction, Glossary, and Definitions for Kubernetes*, <https://www.bmc.com/blogs/what-is-kubernetes/>



Kubernetes objects



From: docker docs: <https://docs.docker.com/engine/swarm/>



Provide and manage Kubernetes

Production environment solutions:

- **Completely managed**
by Amazon (Amazon EKS), DigitalOcean, Google (Google Kubernetes Engine (GKE)), Microsoft Azure (Azure Kubernetes Service (AKS)) and others
- **Turnkey / custom(cloud) / custom:**
Rancher, Kubespray
- **Bootstrapping Clusters with kubectl**

Minikube (<https://github.com/kubernetes/minikube>)

- Minikube allows to spin up a **full K8s cluster** on a workstation within a VM.
- Minikube wants " to be the **best tool for local Kubernetes** application development and to support all Kubernetes features that fit."

Kubectl: CLI tool used to interact with the cluster

From:
<https://kubernetes.io/docs/setup/>,
<https://github.com/kubernetes/minikube>

