

Kubernetes Cheat Sheet

Installation

Install the kubectl command line tool to interact with the Kubernetes API:

<https://kubernetes.io/docs/tasks/tools/#kubectl>

Enable autocompletion in bash:

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composer completion bash | sudo tee /etc/bash_completion.d/kubectl
```

Global flags

| Flag | Description |
|-------------------------|--|
| --namespace <namespace> | The name of the namespace to use |
| --context <context> | The name of the context to use |
| --help | Show information about a given command |

Context and configuration

| Command | Description |
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| kubectl config get-contexts | List all contexts |
| kubectl config current-context | Display the current context |
| kubectl config use-context <context> | Switch to another context |
| kubectl config delete-context <context> | Delete the specified context from the kubeconfig |

Display resources

| Command | Description |
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| kubectl get <resource> | List all resources of this type in the current namespace |
| kubectl get <resource> -o wide | List all resources with more details |
| kubectl get <resource> -A | List all resources of this type in all namespaces |
| kubectl get <resource> <name> | List a particular resource |
| kubectl get <resource> <name> -o yaml | Print a particular resource in YAML format |
| kubectl get <resource> <name> -l <key1>=<value1> | List resources where label <key1> contains <value1> |
| kubectl describe <resource> | Show detailed information about a resource |

Apply configuration manifests

| Command | Description |
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| kubectl apply -f <file> | Apply a manifest from a file |
| kubectl apply -f <dir> | Apply all manifests in a directory |
| kubectl apply -k <dir> | Apply resources from a kustomize directory |

Create resources manually

| Command | Description |
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| kubectl run <name> --image=<image> | Start a pod |
| kubectl create deployment <name> --image=<image> | Create a deployment |
| kubectl expose pod <pod> --port=<port> | Create a service for an existing pod |
| kubectl expose deployment <name> --port=<port> | Create a service for an existing deployment |
| kubectl create ingress <name> --rule=<host/path=svc:port> | Create an ingress that routes traffic to a service |
| kubectl create job <name> --image=<image> | Create a job |
| kubectl create job <name> --from=cronjob/<name> | Create a job from a cronjob |
| kubectl create cronjob <name> --image=<image> --schedule=<schedule> | Create a cronjob, using a schedule in Cron format |
| kubectl create secret generic <name> --from-literal=<key>=<value> | Create a secret containing <key> and <value> |
| kubectl create secret docker-registry <name> --docker-server=<server> --docker-username=<username> --docker-password=<password> | Create a secret for a Docker registry |

Generate YAML configuration manifests

| Command | Description |
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| kubectl create deployment <name> --image=<image> --dry-run=client -o yaml | Generate a deployment manifest |
| kubectl expose deployment <name> --port=<port> --dry-run=client -o yaml | Generate a service manifest for a deployment |

Edit resources

| Command | Description |
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| kubectl edit <resource> <name> | Edit a resource in a text editor |
| kubectl set image <resource> <name> <container>=<image> | Update the image of a container in a pod |

Set labels and annotations

| Command | Description |
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| kubectl label <resource> <name> <key>=<value> | Add a label to a resource |
| kubectl annotate <resource> <name> <key>=<value> | Add an annotation to a resource |

Delete resources

| Command | Description |
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| kubectl delete <resource> <name> | Delete a particular resource |
| kubectl delete <resource> --all | Delete all resources of a particular type in the current namespace |
| kubectl delete -f <file> | Delete a resource from a file |

Manage deployments

| Command | Description |
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| kubectl rollout status deployment <name> | Show the status of a deployment rollout |
| kubectl rollout history deployment <name> | View the rollout history of a deployment |
| kubectl rollout undo deployment <name> | Undo a previous rollout deployment |
| kubectl rollout restart deployment <name> | Restart a deployment |
| kubectl scale deployment <name> --replicas=<n> | Scale a deployment to <n> replicas |
| kubectl autoscale deployment <name> --min=<min> --max=<max> | Autoscale a deployment between <n> and <n> replicas |

Execute commands

| Command | Description |
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| kubectl exec <pod> -- <command> | Execute a command in a running pod |
| kubectl exec -it <pod> -- sh | Open a shell in a running pod |

View logs

| Command | Description |
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| kubectl logs <pod> | Print the logs for a pod |
| kubectl logs -f <pod> | Print the logs for a pod and keep streaming |

Resource usage

| Command | Description |
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| kubectl top node | Show resource (CPU/memory) usage of nodes |
| kubectl top pod | Show resource (CPU/memory) usage of pods |

Other commands

| Command | Description |
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| kubectl version | Show the version of the client and server |
| kubectl api-resources | Print the supported API resources on the server |