KubeEdge
Kubernetes Native Edge Computing Framework

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Quick Survey

• How many of you first time hear about KubeEdge?
• How many of you know KubeEdge already?
• How many of you had run and used KubeEdge?
• How many of you cloned and built KubeEdge?
• How many of you like KubeEdge 😊😊😊
Challenges for IOT/Edge Computing

• Benefits with Edge computing. However there are challenges
  • Network unreliable and with limited bandwidth
  • Fleet of edge nodes and devices
  • Heterogeneous hardware and protocols at edge
  • Resource constraint at Edge
  • Maintenance cost
  • Data locality and security
About KubeEdge

- KubeEdge targets to edge computing with Kubernetes:
  - CNCF Sandbox project
  - Coordination between cloud and edge
  - 4 minor releases and v1.0
  - Reference architecture by K8s IOT/Edge WG
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- Contributors from companies: TenxCloud, Intel, Amazon, JD.com, Zhejiang University, EMQ, China Mobile, ARM, etc.
- Companies shown interests: Microsoft, etc.
KubeEdge Devstats

KubeEdge commits in repository groups (All, 7 Days MA)
Our vision and mission

- Enable customers to manage resources and run applications natively at cloud and edge
  - A K8s based infrastructure for IOT/Edge computing.
  - Manage resources and orchestrate applications in the same way, regardless of the location: cloud or edge
  - K8s APIs and primitive types
  - Edge is an extension of cloud
  - Worker nodes can be at cloud or edge
  - Highly extensible covering diversified network topology, device protocol, storage backend, etc.
KubeEdge Architecture

- Coordination between cloud and edge
- Fundamental infrastructure support
- Device management and messaging
- Versatile device protocols: Bluetooth, Modbus, OPC-UA etc.
- Edge side autonomy: works fine with intermittent network
- Small footprint: ~10MB mem for nodes
New in 1.0 – Edge Mesh

- K8s service discovery, routing and lifetime management
  - Support service and endpoint
  - Service discovery
  - Support north-south and east-west network routing
  - Mesh for services at edge and cloud
New in 1.0 – EdgeSite

- Enable customer to run a lightweight K8s cluster at edge where control plan can support HA
- The KubeEdge pluggable module framework
- Conformed K8s APIs
New in 1.0 – CRI for Edged

- Support multiple container runtime e.g. docker, containerd, cri-o etc. on the edge node
- Support light weight container runtime on edge node
New in 1.0 – Perf and Scale Evaluation

- Evaluate the latency and throughput between edge and cloud
- Scalability
  - How many edge nodes can be managed in a cluster
  - How many pods can run on an edge node.
  E.g. Raspberry-pi
Learnings:

1. **Low latency**: video flow analyzed at edge, cutout useful pictures to upload
2. **Business Value**: Smart analysis on surveillance video, real time detect trespass, flow bursting etc., optimize labour costs
3. **Edge-cloud coordination**: edge application lifecycle management and rolling update
4. **Training on cloud**: Automatic training, easy to scale in/out and update
5. **Camera compatibility**: able to work with legacy IPC cameras, act like smart cameras with cloud-edge coordination

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Building edge CDN with KubeEdge

K8s control plan + KubeEdge (cloud part)

Typical requirements:
- Many servers at the edge
- CDN sites controlled by the central cloud
- Workloads dispatched by central cloud
- Mainly run video transcoding, rendering, slicing etc. at edge, managed as Job and Deployment
- Need auto-scaling and pod priority
- No need on services and shared storage

Learnings:
- Unified application management
- Autonomy for CDN sites at edge
- Low system overhead at edge

Cons:
- Auto-scaling can’t work when disconnected
- No able to “replace” a pod when disconnected
Roadmap

Open Source
Nov, 2018
1. Lightweight agent at edge
2. Kubernetes core primitive support, e.g., Node, Pod, ConfigMap, Secret etc.
3. Device twin and MQTT protocol for IoT devices talking to Edge node
4. Loosely coupled Edge/Cloud communication and data sync channel
5. Run native containerized applications

CNCF Sandbox
Mar, 2019
1. Service mesh enabling network for data plane
2. Performance and scalability evaluation framework
3. Kubernetes based Device Management through CRD
4. Security integration with SPIFFE/SPIRE
5. Support CRI for Edged

v1.0 Release
June, 2019
1. Enable monitoring and telemetry
2. Standardization of Edge-Cloud Communication
3. Support more device protocols
4. Evaluate and enhance performance and scalability
5. Support CSI for Edged
6. Contributor experience

v1.x Release
TBD

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• Scenario:
  • Users input text in the WeChat Subscription Account.
  • The input text is pushed to the edge and the song is played on the edge.
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