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Stayin' Alive: PodDisruptionBudgets for Maintenance and Upgrades

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A PodDisruptionBudget is an application owner created object that defines the minimum number of replicas that must be available for that application to operate in a stable manner during a voluntary disruption

Why PodDisruptionBudget's?



Owned by the application team

Supportive of the operations team

Defines availability requirements

Respected by the eviction API

Deployment, ReplicationController, StatefulSet and ReplicaSet objects





Involuntary disruptions

Explicit deletions and scaling

PodDisruptionBudgets for single replicas are burdensome

Drain can hang indefinitely

Do not overlap selectors



Meaningful Name

matchLabels corresponding to the controllers .spec.selector

Appropriate minAvailable

or

Appropriate maxUnavailable

The Definition

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cat django-ws-pdb.yaml apiVersion: policy/v1beta1 kind: PodDisruptionBudget metadata: name: django-ws-pdb spec: selector: matchLabels: app: django-ws minAvailable: 2 or 50% or maxUnavailable: 1 or 50%

kubectl get deployment django-ws -o yaml apiVersion: apps/v1 kind: Deployment labels: app: django-ws framework: django spec: replicas: 3 selector: matchLabels: app: django-ws



kubectl describe poddisruptionbudget django-ws-pdb

Name: django-ws-pdb

Namespace: disruption

Min available: 2

Selector: app=django-ws

Status:

Allowed	disruptions:	1
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- Current: 3
- Desired: 2
- Total: 3

An Eviction



kubectl drain worker-1.k8s.tamlab.redhat.com node/worker-1.k8s.tamlab.redhat.com cordoned pod/django-ws-68dbbdb8ff-v7dvf evicted node/worker-1.k8s.tamlab.redhat.com evicted

kubectl describe pdb django-ws-pdb django-ws-pdb Name: Namespace: disruption Min available: 2 app=django-ws Selector: Status: Allowed disruptions: 0 Current: 2 Desired: 2 Total: 2



- # kubectl drain worker-2.k8s.tamlab.redhat.com --timeout=10s
 node/worker-2.k8s.tamlab.redhat.com cordoned
- error when evicting pod "django-ws-68dbbdb8ff-7brhf" (will retry after 5s): Cannot evict pod as it would violate the pod's disruption budget
- error: unable to drain node "worker-2.k8s.tamlab.redhat.com", aborting
- There are pending nodes to be drained: worker-2.k8s.tamlab.redhat.com error: Drain did not complete within 10s





Encourage application owners to define their operating requirements with PodDisruptionBudgets

Leverage voluntary eviction for cluster maintenance and upgrades

Remember the caveats and watch out for bad practices

