

IBM Automation Platform

Intelligent Client Onboarding Scenario – Tech Jam Infrastructure



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Use cases

Customer experience

Business operations

Workforce management

App and infrastructure stability

Platform operations

Optimize AIOps

Hybrid cloud integration

Real-time analytics

Transactional integrity

Site deployment automation

4G/5G telco cloud platform

NFV lifecycle management

IBM Cloud Paks




DB2

IBM Cloud Pak for Business Automation

- Workflow and decisions
- Content services
- Operational intelligence

IBM Cloud Pak for Watson AIOps

- Application impact avoidance
- Hybrid application management
- Observability  INSTANA

IBM Cloud Pak for Integration

- Application integration
- API management
- Messaging and events

IBM Cloud Pak for Network Automation

- Intent-driven orchestration
- Closed-loop operations
- Network optimization

Automation foundation

- Robotic Process Automation
- Process and task mining
- Natural language interactions
- Machine learning
- Event detection
- Operational models



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AWS



Microsoft Azure



Google Cloud



VMware



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IBM Power Systems

End points



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Tech Jam Infrastructure – Deployment Steps

0. Select the CP4BA template for deployment
1. Create your IBM Cloud Account (or use existing)
2. Create new RedHat OpenShift Cluster
3. Create new VM for LDAP & install IBM SDS & import ldif file with users and groups
4. Deploy IBM DB2 Containers & create needed databases
5. Install IBM Cloud Pak for Business Automation Operator & deploy IBM Cloud Pak for Business Automation (Enterprise)
6. Deploy Machine Learning Service for ADS
7. Optional: Create new VM for RPA & install IBM RPA
8. Optional: Scale up the deployment

Tech Jam Infrastructure – Deployment Step 0

1. Select the CP4BA template for deployment

- Three templates available, more to be added:
 - Template for the Client Onboarding Demo (ibm_cp4a_cr_template.100.ent.ClientOnboardingDemo.yaml)
 - Contains all CP4BA patterns needed by the Client Onboarding Demo (more details later)
 - Foundation only (ibm_cp4a_cr_template.001.ent.Foundation.yaml)
 - Foundation components only: IAF, RR, UMS, BAN
 - Foundation, Content (ibm_cp4a_cr_template.002.ent.FoundationContent.yaml)
 - Foundation + Content components: CPE, GraphQL, CSS, CMIS
- Each template was tested on ROKS and custom installed OCP
- LDAP needed by all templates
- DB2 needed by all templates (but with different license & resource requirements)
- For each template OCP Cluster Sizing information is provided in doc
- Creating your own custom CP4BA template is possible as well



ibm_cp4a_cr_template.001.ent.Foundation.yaml

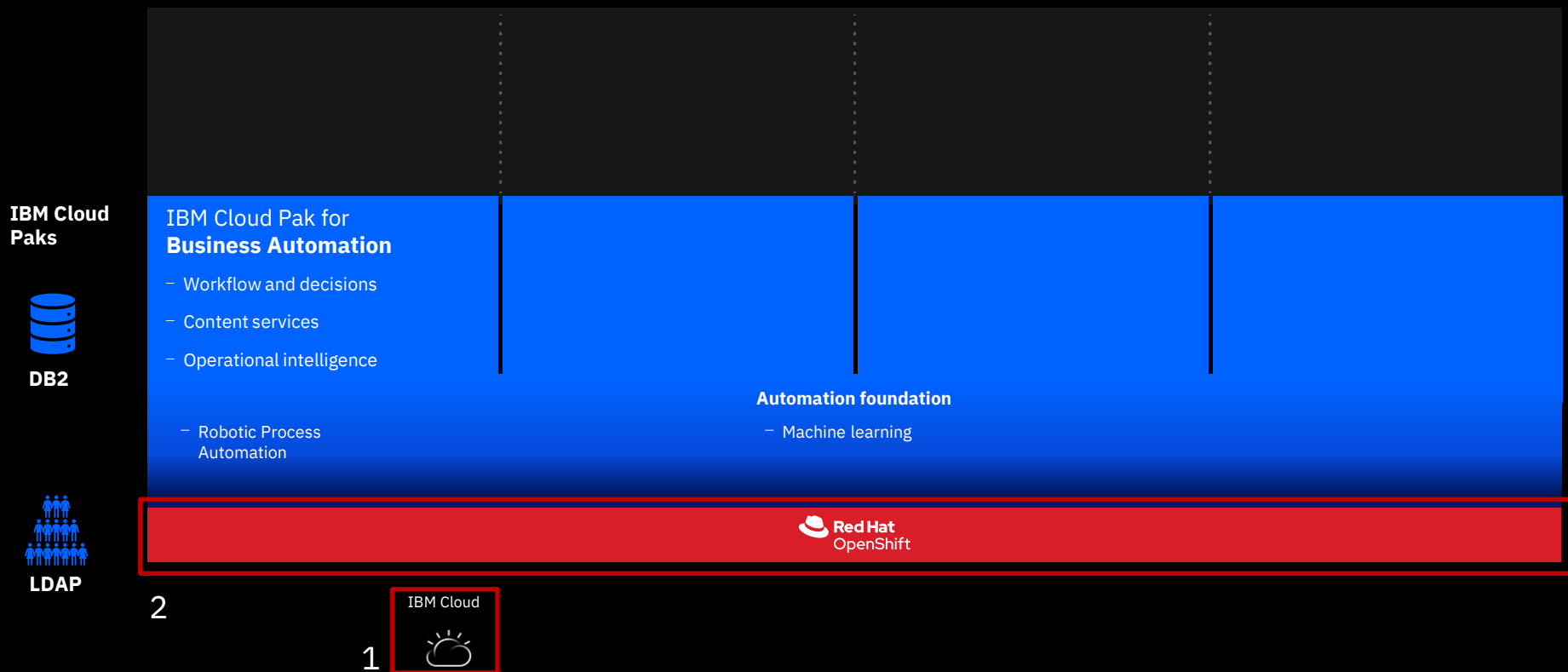


ibm_cp4a_cr_template.002.ent.FoundationContent.yaml



ibm_cp4a_cr_template.100.ent.ClientOnboardingDemo.yaml

Tech Jam Infrastructure – Deployment Steps 1 & 2



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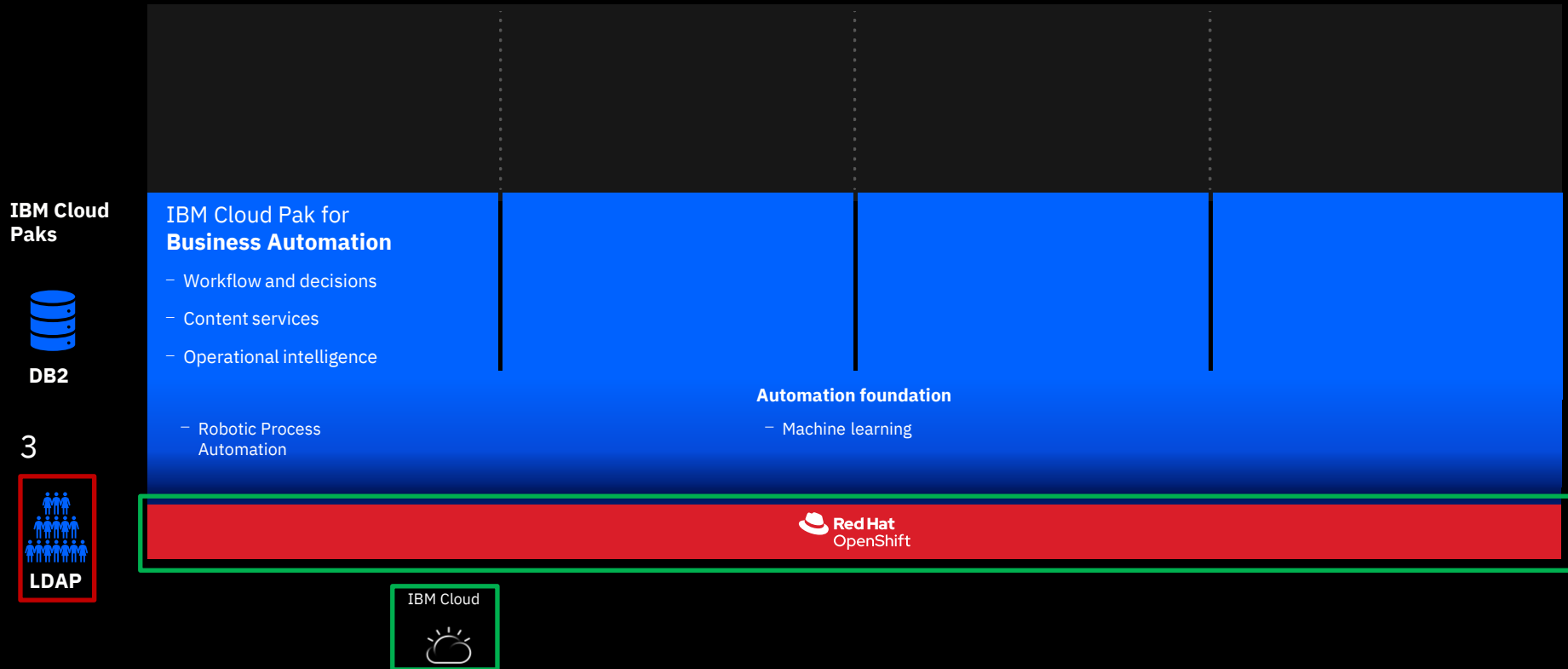
1. Create your IBM Cloud Account (or use existing)

- Secure funding for the infrastructure (you'll need ~\$1k as a minimum – small cluster for ~one week, e.g. for a Customer Demo)
- Check your entitlement on <https://myibm.ibm.com/products-services/containerlibrary>
 - Under View library check that you are entitled for CP4BA (IBMers will see *all*)
 - Copy your entitlement key
- Access <https://cloud.ibm.com> with your IBM ID
 - IBMers can use their w3 ID
- Assign your entitlement key for discount on the OCP cluster (CP4BA license includes a license for OCP)
 - With the entitlement key you will also pull the container images

2. Create new RedHat OpenShift Cluster

- Access <https://cloud.ibm.com> with your IBM ID
- Create new OpenShift Cluster
 - Select OCP version, e.g. 4.6.28 and select to apply your Cloud Pak entitlement
 - Classic infrastructure, select geography, single-zone, and select the zone / datacenter where the cluster should be created
 - Specify the worker pool details (e.g. c3c.32x64 Virtual – shared, four nodes per zone, no disk encryption)
 - Name your cluster, check the estimated costs and create your OCP cluster
 - Dependent on the availability of HW resources in the selected datacenter it can take between a few hours and multiple days until your cluster is created
 - For DB2 a second worker pool with one additional worker node with >120 GB of memory is recommended

Tech Jam Infrastructure – Deployment Step 3



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3. Create new VM for LDAP & install IBM SDS & import Idif file with users and groups

- Access <https://cloud.ibm.com> with your IBM ID
- Navigate to [Classic Infrastructure](#), click [Order](#), then click [Virtual Server for Classic](#) tile.
- Select the configurations, e.g.
 - Public instance
 - Quantity: 1
 - Billing type
 - Host name (host name plus domain name should less than 64 characters)
 - Data Center, better to use the same one with your OCP cluster
 - Select a profile, e.g., B1.8x16 (8 CPU cores, 16GB memory, SAN)
 - Select Image, like Red Hat 7.x Minimal
 - Storage
 - Network interface (1Gbps or 100Mbps)
 - Private/Public security group
 - VLAN: better to use the same VLAN with your OCP cluster
- The price will be calculated automatically on the right side of the page. Click [Create](#)
- Wait for couple of minutes, the VM will be running. Click it and navigate to [Passwords](#) tab, you can find the login credentials there
- Install SDS and import prepared Idif file

Tech Jam Infrastructure – Deployment Step 4

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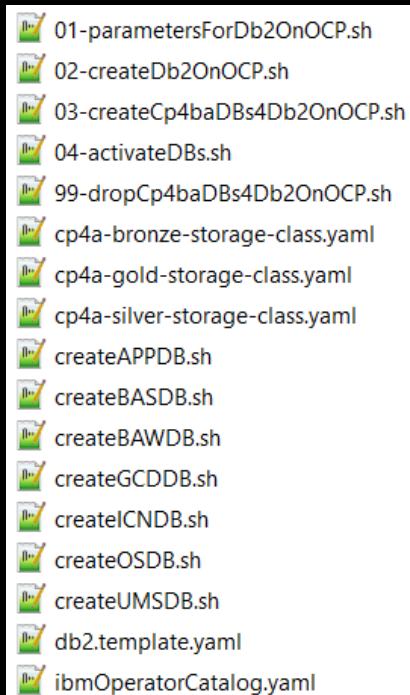
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Tech Jam Infrastructure – Deployment Step 4

4. Deploy IBM DB2 Containers & create needed databases

- Scripts and templates for DB2 Operator & Instance deployment on OCP are published:
<https://github.ibm.com/Automation-Elite/cp4ba-rapid-deployment-scripts>
 - Update properties file first to prepare DB2 Operator & Instance deployment
 - Only 27 properties, usually, you only need to update **TEN** properties:
 - BEFORE deployment
 - cp4baTemplateToUse ,db2OnOcpProjectName, db2Cpu, db2AdminUserPassword, db2StandardLicenseKey, db2Memory
 - WHILE deployment (after Operator, before Instance)
 - db2InstanceVersion
 - AFTER deployment
 - db2HostName
 - db2HostIp
 - db2PortNumber
 - Run script to deploy DB2 Operator & Instance (semi-automated, needs entitlement key)
 - Update properties file with Host Name / IP and Port of created DB2 Instance
 - Run script to create all needed databases – creates 12 databases for CP4BA when you selected the Client Onboarding template, a smaller number of databases for other templates
- Optionally create another VM for DB2 and install DB2 on-premises & create the needed databases



Tech Jam Infrastructure – Deployment Step 5

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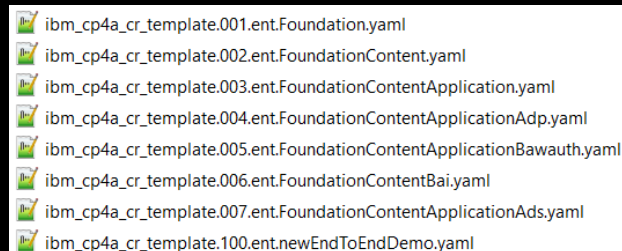
Tech Jam Infrastructure – Deployment Step 5

5. Install IBM Cloud Pak for Business Automation Operator & deploy IBM Cloud Pak for Business Automation (Enterprise)

- Run script cp4a-clusteradmin-setup.sh (from cert-kubernetes) to prepare cluster and deploy CP4BA operator (needs entitlement key)
- Use **Scripts for Rapid CP4BA Enterprise Deployment**
 - Update properties file (e.g. specify your project name, admin username/password, LDAP details, ...)
 - Only 35 properties, usually you only need to update **SEVEN** properties before deployment:
 - cp4baProjectName
 - cp4baOcpHostname
 - cp4baTlsSecretName
 - cp4baAdminPassword
 - cp4baUmsAdminPassword
 - ldapAdminPassword
 - ldapServer
 - Properties for DB2 from Deployment Step 4 are re-used
 - Run script to deploy Cloud Pak for Business Automation (needs entitlement key)



01-parametersForDb2OnOCP.sh
05-parametersForCp4ba.sh
06-prepareCp4baDeployment.sh
07-createCp4baDeployment.sh
98-deleteCp4baDeployment.sh
automationUIConfig.template.yaml
cartridge.template.yaml
ibm_cp4a_cr_template.101.ent.newEndToEndDemoWithBAI.yaml
secrets.template.yaml
tlsSecrets.template.yaml



ibm_cp4a_cr_template.001.ent.Foundation.yaml
ibm_cp4a_cr_template.002.ent.FoundationContent.yaml
ibm_cp4a_cr_template.003.ent.FoundationContentApplication.yaml
ibm_cp4a_cr_template.004.ent.FoundationContentApplicationAdp.yaml
ibm_cp4a_cr_template.005.ent.FoundationContentApplicationBawauth.yaml
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ibm_cp4a_cr_template.007.ent.FoundationContentApplicationAds.yaml
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Tech Jam Infrastructure – Deployment Step 5

5. IBM Cloud Pak for Business Automation (Enterprise) cont.

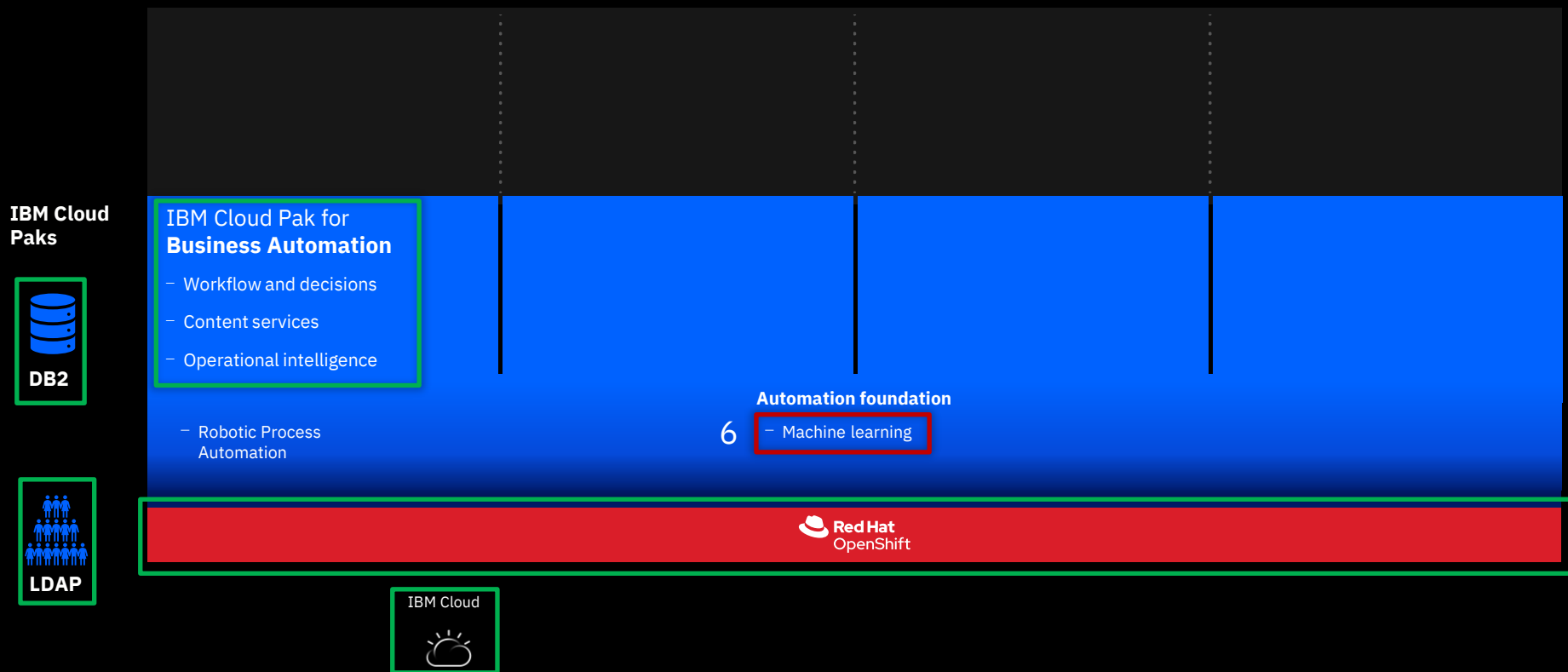
- Using Template `ibm_cp4a_cr_template.100.ent.ClientOnboardingDemo.yaml` installs the following CP4BA patterns (as used while the Tech Jam):
 - foundation
 - IAF (IBM Automation Foundation) components needed, for example IBM Event Streams
 - RR (Resource Registry)
 - UMS (User Management Service)
 - BAS (Business Automation Studio, including AE playback_server)
 - AE (Application Engine, data persistence enabled)
 - BAN (Business Automation Navigator)
 - BAI (Business Automation Insights)
 - content
 - CPE (Content Platform Engine)
 - GraphQL (Content Services GraphQL)
 - CSS (Content Search Services)
 - CMIS (Content Management Interoperability Services)
 - application
 - Application Designer

Tech Jam Infrastructure – Deployment Step 5

5. Install IBM Cloud Pak for Business Automation Operator & deploy IBM Cloud Pak for Business Automation (Enterprise) cont.

- Using Template `ibm_cp4a_cr_template.100.ent.ClientOnboardingDemo.yaml` installs the following CP4BA patterns (as used while the Tech Jam) cont.:
 - `decisions_ads`
 - ADS (Automation Decision Services)
 - Decision Designer
 - Decision Runtime
 - `workflow`
 - Workflow Authoring
 - Workflow Authoring Server (JMS included)
 - PFS (Process Federation Server)
 - Elasticsearch
 - BAML (Business Automation Machine Learning Server)
 - ITP (Intelligent Task Prioritization)
 - WFI (Workforce Insights)

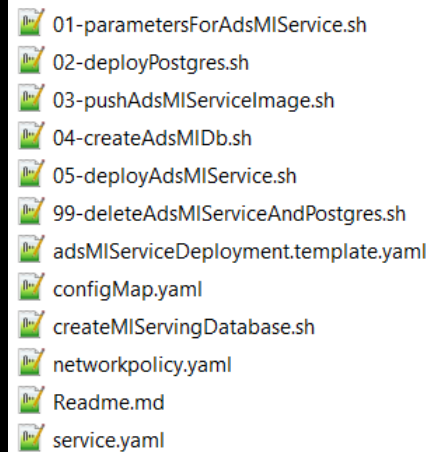
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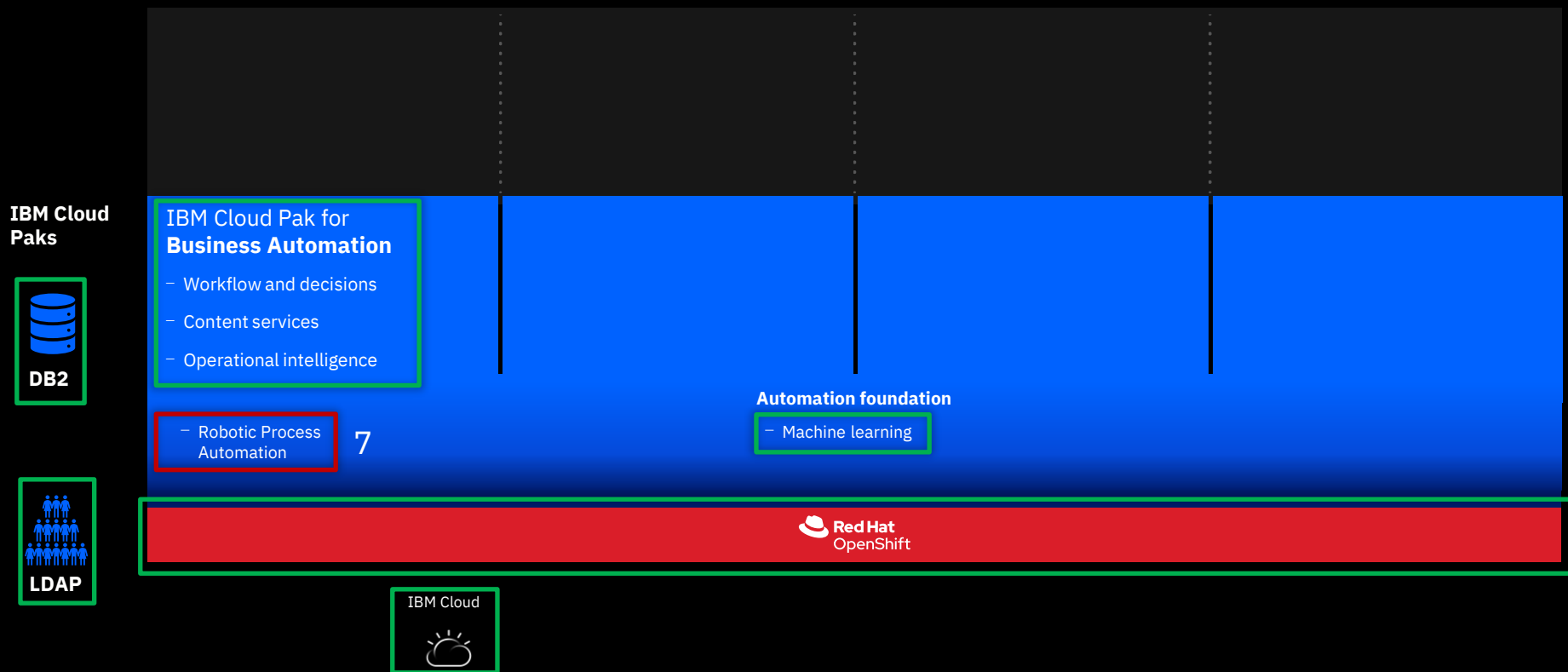
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6. Deploy Machine Learning Service for ADS

- Update properties file
 - Only 7 properties, usually you only need to update THREE properties before deployment:
 - adsMIServiceProjectName
 - adsMIServiceImageArchive
 - pgAdminPassword
- Run script to deploy Postgres Instance (Postgress is needed to be able to scale up the ADS ML Service)
- Build the ADS Machine Learning Service image, push it to your OCP
 - Go to github project
<https://github.com/IBM/open-prediction-service-hub/tree/main/ops-implementations/ads-ml-service>
 - Follow the document to build the docker image
 - Run script to push the docker image to OCP internal registry
- Run script to create Postgres database
- Run script to create the ADS ML service



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8. Optional: Create new VM for RPA & install IBM RPA Studio

- Follow the same procedure to request a new VM with Windows Server 2012 (or 2016) installed
- Option A: Install IBM RPA SaaS client.
 - If you have existing IBM RPA SaaS account, you can just install SaaS client
- Option B: Install IBM RPA Server and Client on the same VM
 - Install Microsoft .NET framework 4.7.2.
 - Install Microsoft SQL Server
 - Install Microsoft IIS
 - Create four databases: Address, KnowledgeBase, Wordnet and Automation
 - Create a self-signed certificate in IIS.
 - Launch the installer to install the server. Installer will create an admin user.
 - Start IBM RPA Server. Create users.
 - Launch the installer to install the client. Log in with the user just created.

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8. Optional: Scale up the deployment

- In case High-Availability of the deployment is needed and you initially deployed the environment with `replicaSize=1`, scale up of the various components is needed
- RedHat OpenShift Cluster: You might need to add additional worker nodes by increasing the default (c3c.32x64) worker pool
- LDAP: No scale up needed for Demo & Lab purposes
- DB2: No scale up needed for Demo & Lab purposes
- CP4BA: Scale up by using the scripts
 - Update properties file (parameters `cp4baReplicaCount` and `cp4baBaiJobParallelism`)
 - Run script to only re-generate CR YAML (needs entitlement key)
 - In case for some pods a higher replica size is needed, change that in the generated CR YAML manually
 - Apply update of CP4BA deployment (with `--overwrite=true` parameter)
- ADS ML Service: Scale up deployment through OCP Web Console
- RPA: No scale up needed for Demo & Lab purposes

