

How to find your way through the Automation Jungle

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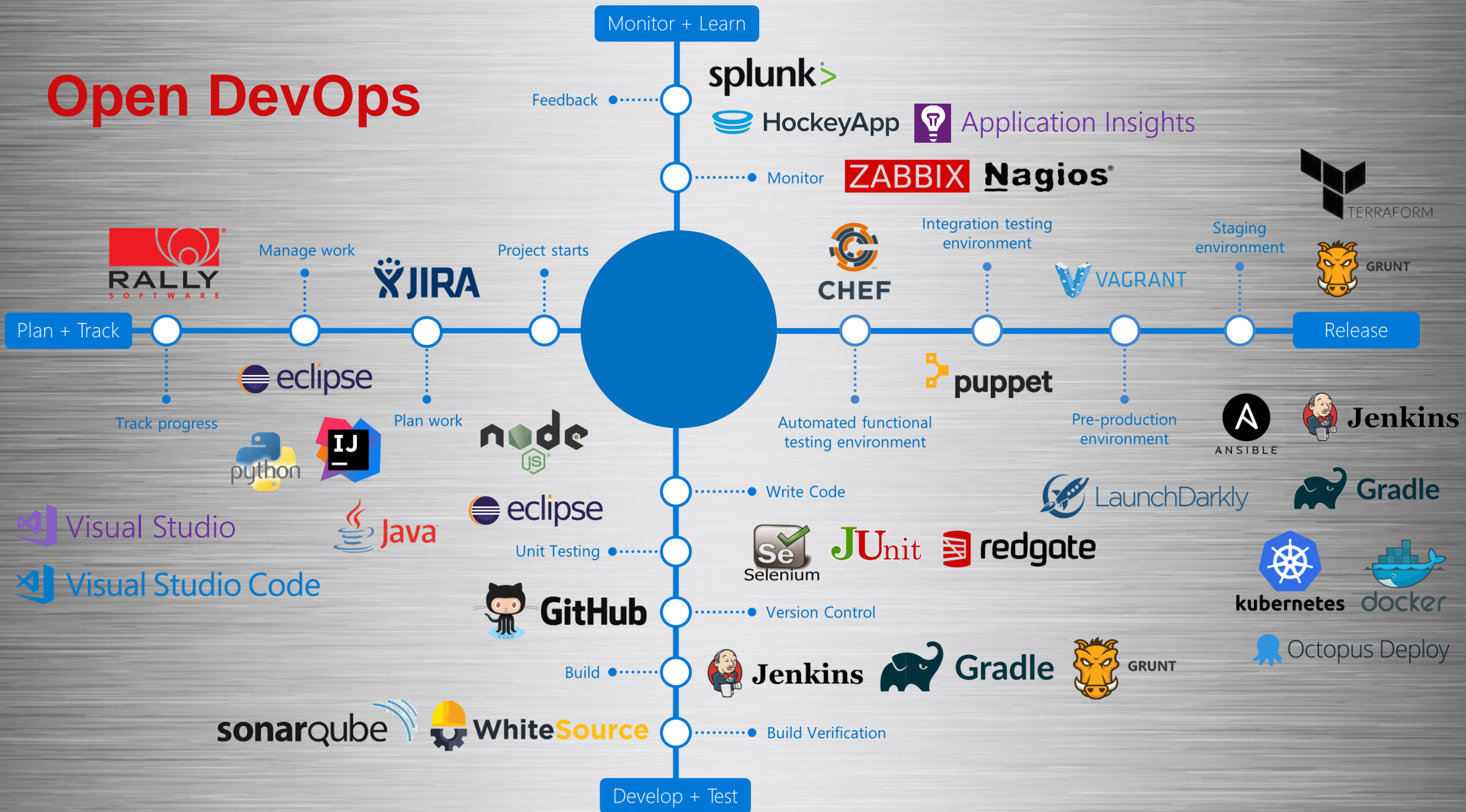
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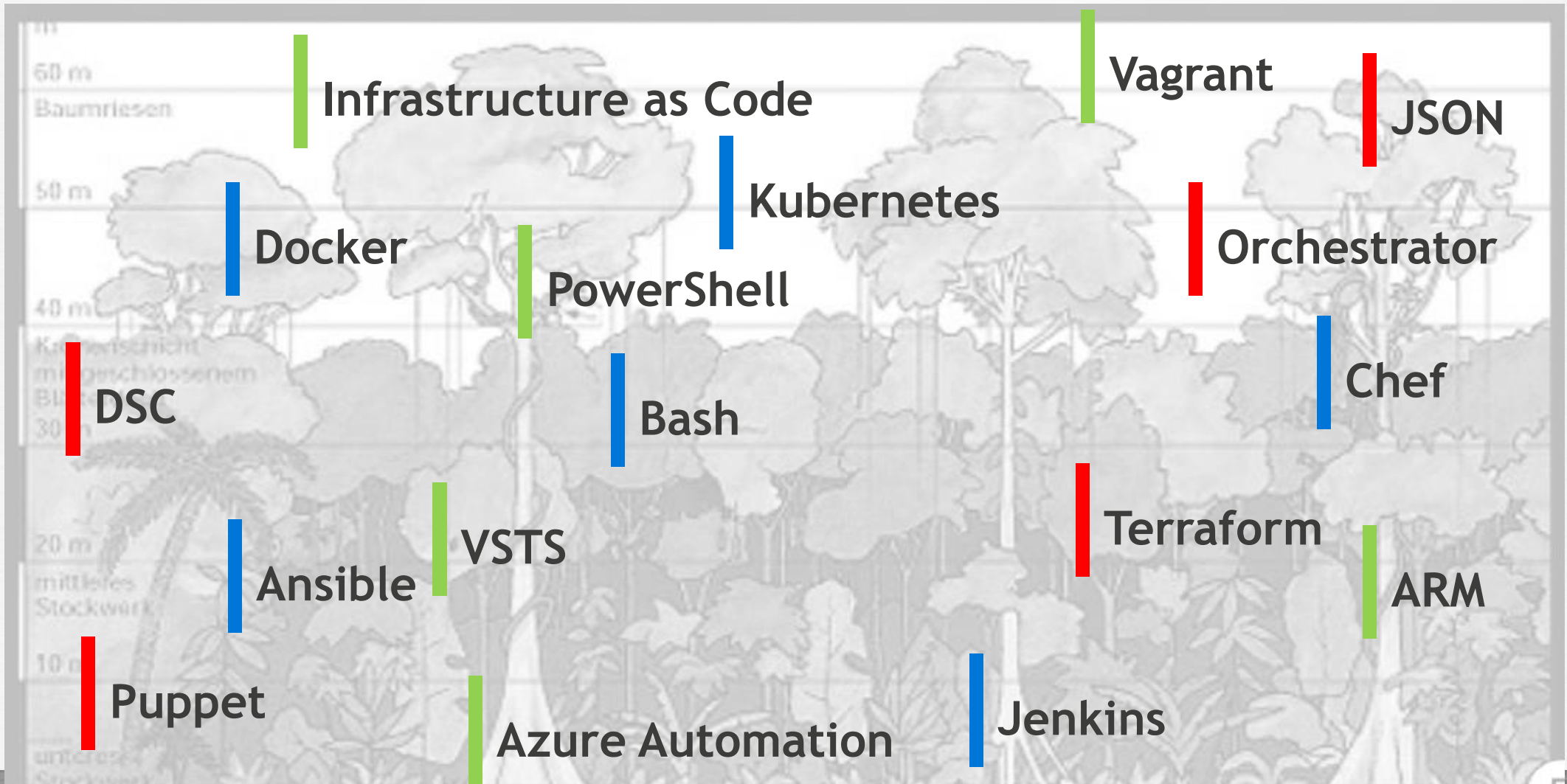
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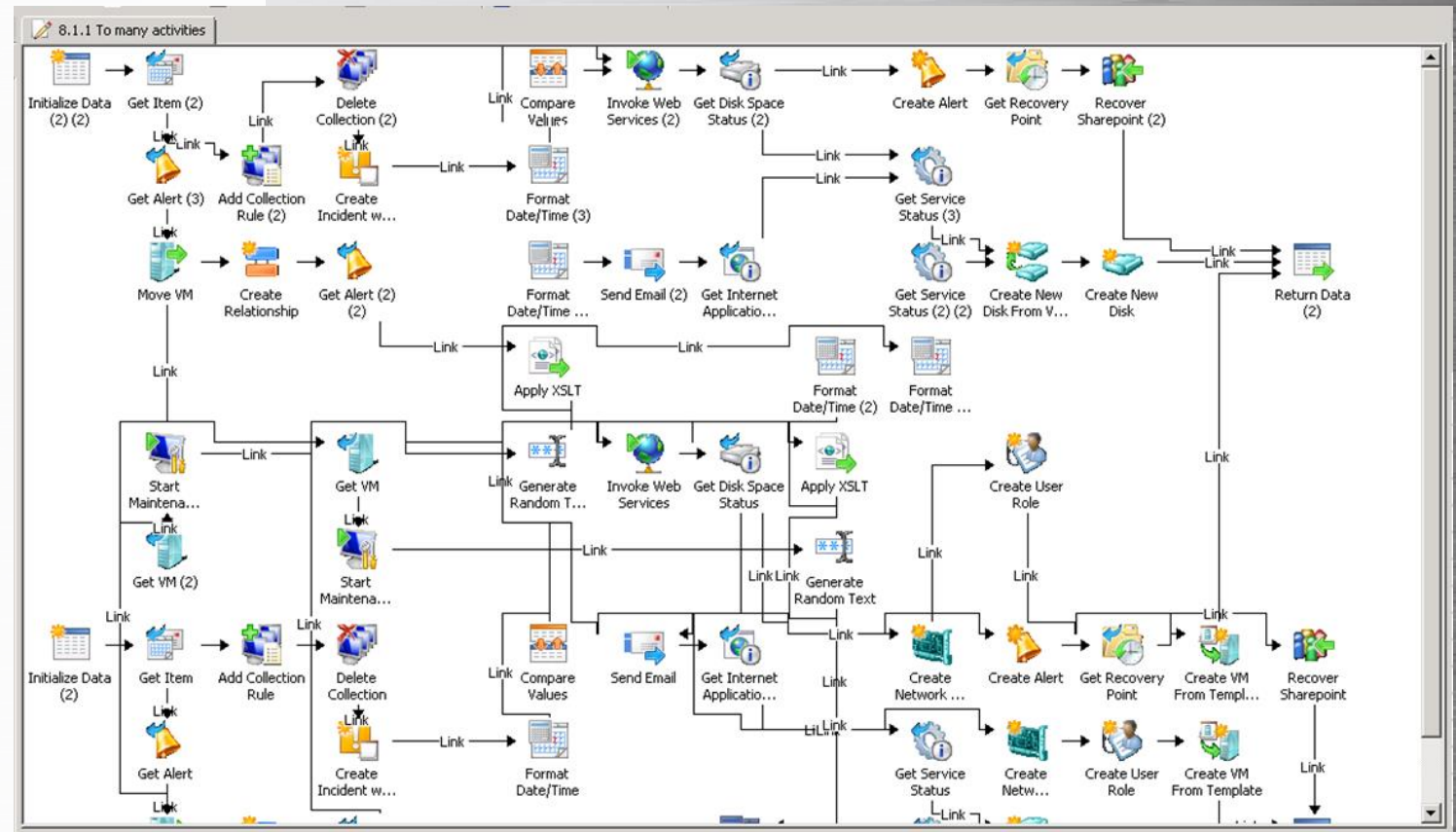


Automation - Facts

- FACT I
 - Automation often happens for the wrong reasons!
- FACT II
 - What does not exist cannot be automated!
- FACT III
 - A bad process does not get better when automated!
- FACT IV
 - Automation does not take up any jobs!

Automation - Pitfalls

- Pitfall 1
 - The correct tool
- Pitfall 2
 - Everything at once
- Pitfall 3
 - Wrong prioritization
- Pitfall 4
 - Missing standards
- Pitfall 5
 - Employees



Automation – Tools und Frameworks

Automation

Workflow Automation

- PowerShell
- Bash
- Au2mator
- Azure Automation

Configuration Management

- Puppet
- Chef
- Ansible
- DSC

Containerization Virtualization

- Docker
- Kubernetes
- Vagrant

PowerShell

- Sequential processing
- Windows and Linux support
- Multiple cmdlets
- Error handling required
- Deployment + Configuration

```
#2. Check location
if(Check-AzureRmLocation -LocationName $LocationName)
{
    #3. Check resource group, if not, created it
    if(Check-AzureRmResourceGroup -LocationName $LocationName)
    {
        #4. Check VM images
        Write-Host "Check VM images $SkusName" -ForegroundColor Green
        If(Get-AzureRmVMImageSku -Location $LocationName -SkuName $SkusName)
        {
            #5. Check VM
            If(Get-AzureRmVM -Name $VMName -ResourceGroup $ResourceGroupName)
            {
                Write-Host -ForegroundColor Red "VM $VMName already exists"
            }
            else{
                #6. Check VM Size
                Write-Host "check VM Size $VMSizeName" -ForegroundColor Green
                If(Get-AzureRmVMSize -Location $LocationName -SizeName $VMSizeName)
                {
                    #7. Create a storage account
                    $BlobURL = AutoGenerate-AzureRmStorageAccountName
                    If($BlobURL){
                        #8. Create a network interface
                    }
                }
            }
        }
    }
}
```

PowerShell DSC

- Descriptive goal definition
- DSC providers define possibilities
- configuration management

```
# The Node statement specifies which node this configuration applies to
Node 'AzureRMVM' {

    # The first resource block ensures the WebServer feature is installed
    WindowsFeature WebServer {
        Ensure = "Present"
        Name    = "Web-Server"
    }

    # The second resource block ensures the website content is present
    File WebsiteContent {
        Ensure = 'Present'
        SourcePath = 'c:\test\index.html'
        DestinationPath = 'c:\inetpub\wwwroot'
    }
}
```

ARM / JSON

- Azure Resource Manager
- Descriptive goal definition
- Parallel Processing
- Extendable by extensions
- Natively available in Azure

```
"apiVersion": "2016-04-30-preview",
"type": "Microsoft.Compute/virtualMachines",
"name": "myVM",
"location": "[resourceGroup().location]",
"dependsOn": [
  "[resourceId('Microsoft.Network/networkInterfaces/', 'myNic')]"
],
"properties": {
  "hardwareProfile": { "vmSize": "Standard_DS1" },
  "osProfile": {
    "computerName": "myVM",
    "adminUsername": "[parameters('adminUsername')]",
    "adminPassword": "[parameters('adminPassword')]"
  },
  "storageProfile": {
    "imageReference": {
```


Terraform

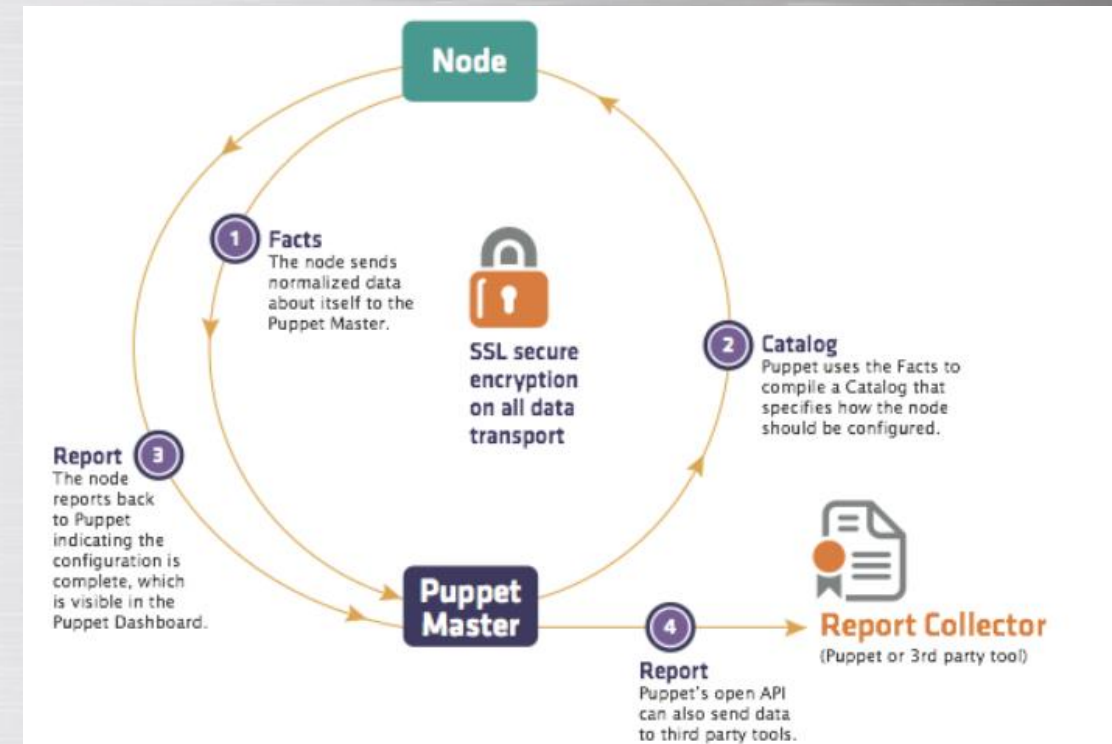
- Infrastructure as Code
- multi-cloud
- Integrated with Azure Cloud Shell
- No configuration management
- Integration with other tools possible

```
# create virtual machine
resource "azurerm_virtual_machine" "CDCTFVM" {
  name = "CDCTFVM"
  location = "West Europe"
  resource_group_name = "${azurerm_resource_group.name}"
  network_interface_ids = ["${azurerm_network_interface.id}"]
  vm_size = "Standard_A2"

  storage_image_reference {
    publisher = "Canonical"
    offer = "UbuntuServer"
    sku = "14.04.2-LTS"
    version = "latest"
  }
}
```

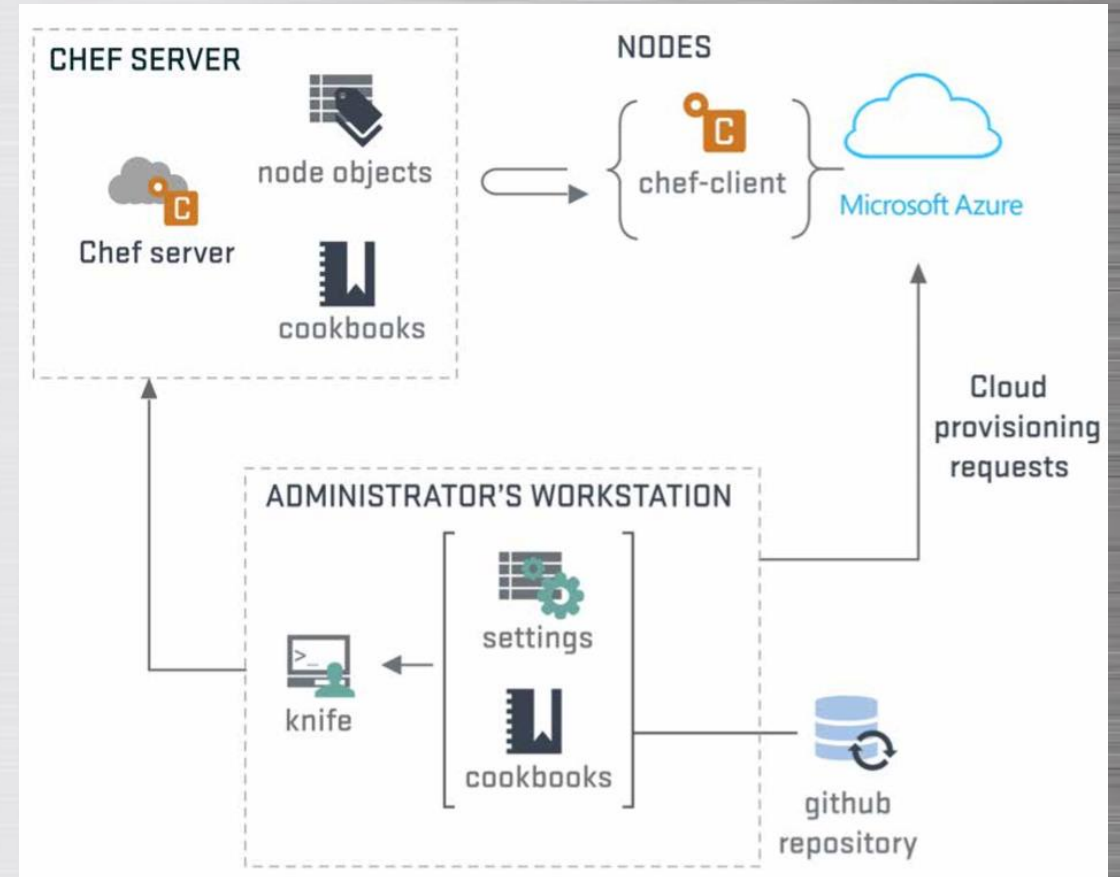
Puppet

- Agent based
- Pull Agents
- Configuration Management
- Facts vs. Catalog
- Desired State (Ruby)



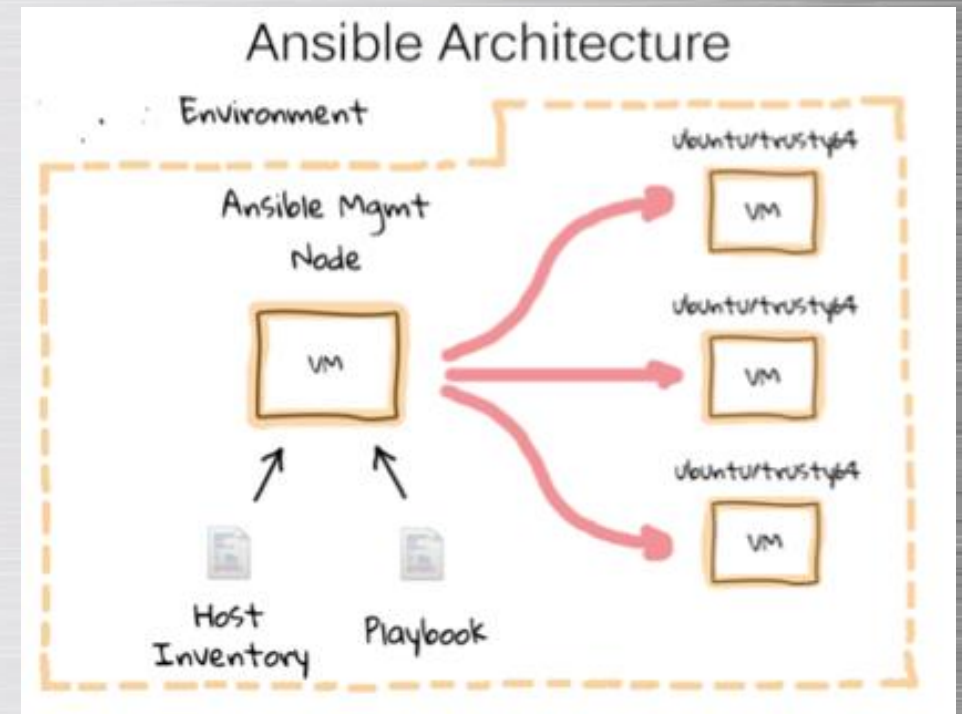
Chef

- Agent based
- Pull Agents
- Configuration Management
- Cookbooks (Ruby)
- Workflows

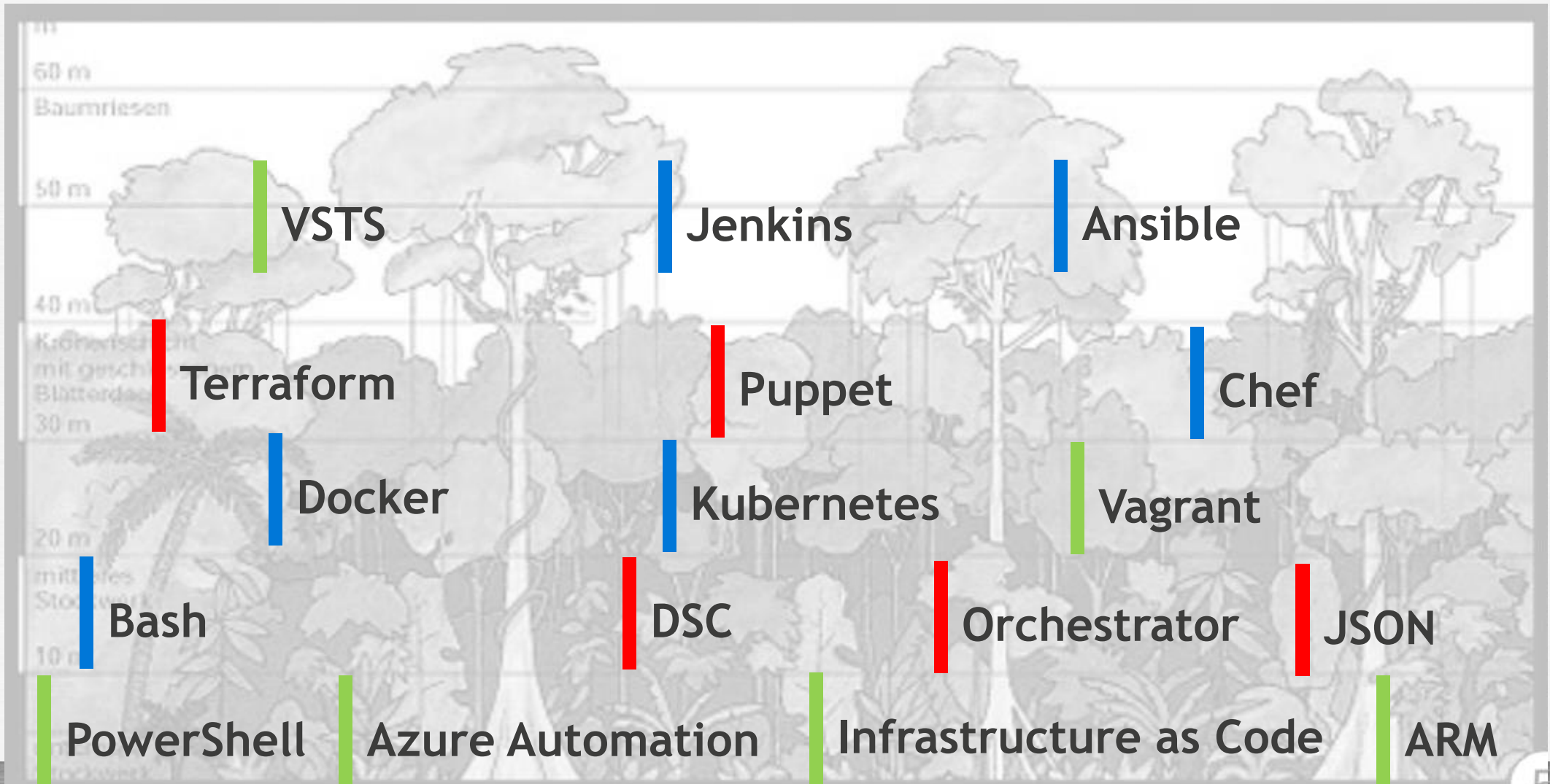


Ansible

- Integration into Azure Cloud Shell
- Agent-less
- Push based
- SSH or WinRM
- small / medium
- Python



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Time for your questions...

