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Best Practices with Azure & Kubernetes

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Agenda

- DevOps Overview
- Container Orchestration
- Kubernetes
- Helm
- Demo



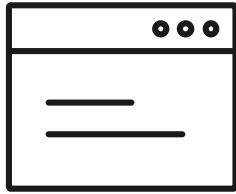
GOING DIGITAL

1 million/hour
new devices
coming online
by 2020

12 years
average age of S&P
500 corporations
by 2020

60% computing
in the public cloud
by 2025

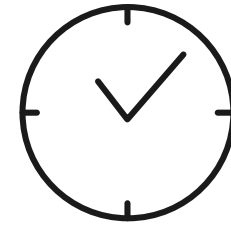
What we hear from developers



I need to create applications
at a competitive rate without
worrying about IT



New applications run smoothly
on my machine but malfunction
on traditional IT servers



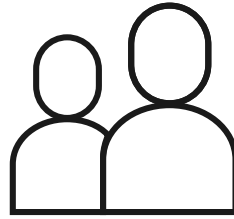
My productivity and application
innovation become suspended
when I have to wait on IT



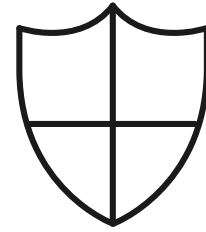
What we hear from IT



I need to manage servers
and maintain compliance
with little disruption



I'm unsure of how to integrate
unfamiliar applications, and I
require help from developers



I'm unable to focus on both
server protection and
application compliance

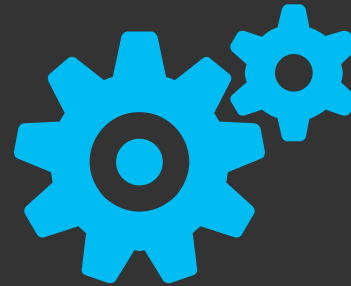


IT stress points

Security
threats



Datacenter
efficiency



Supporting
innovation



Cloud is a new way to think about a datacenter

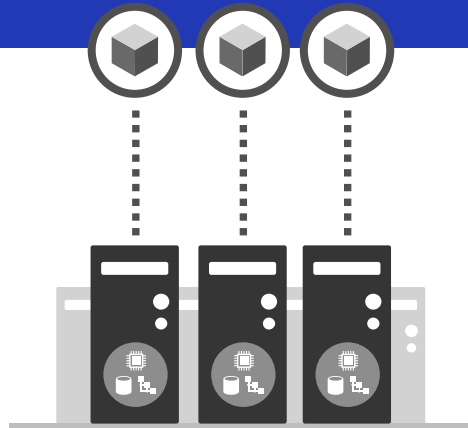
Traditional model

Dedicated infrastructure for each application

Purpose-built hardware

Distinct infrastructure and operations teams

Customized processes and configurations



Servers

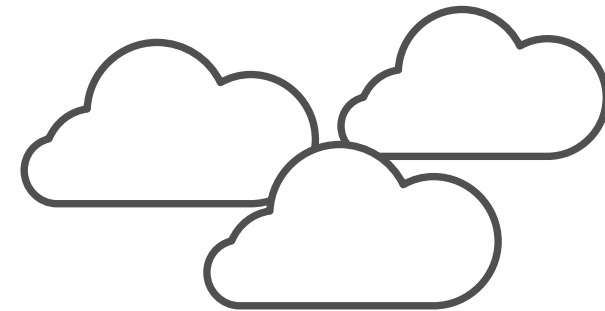
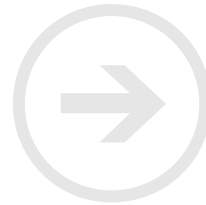
Cloud model

Loosely coupled apps and micro-services

Industry-standard hardware

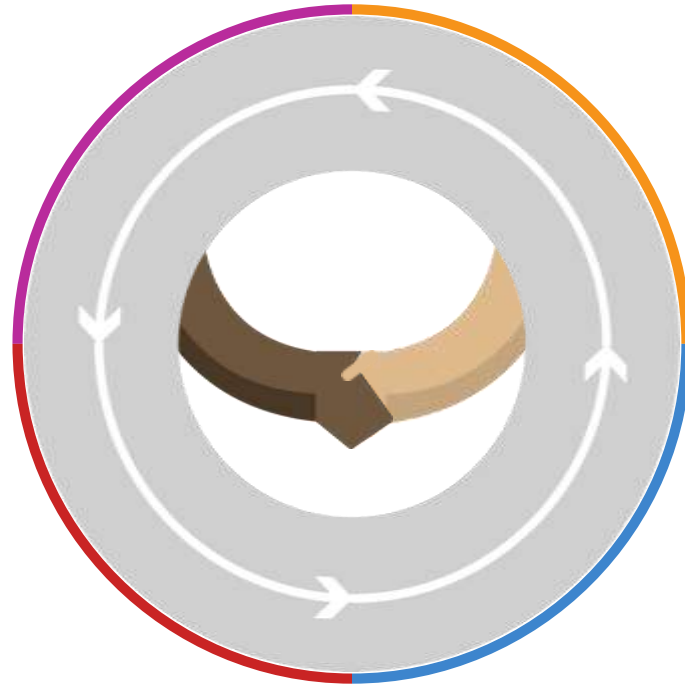
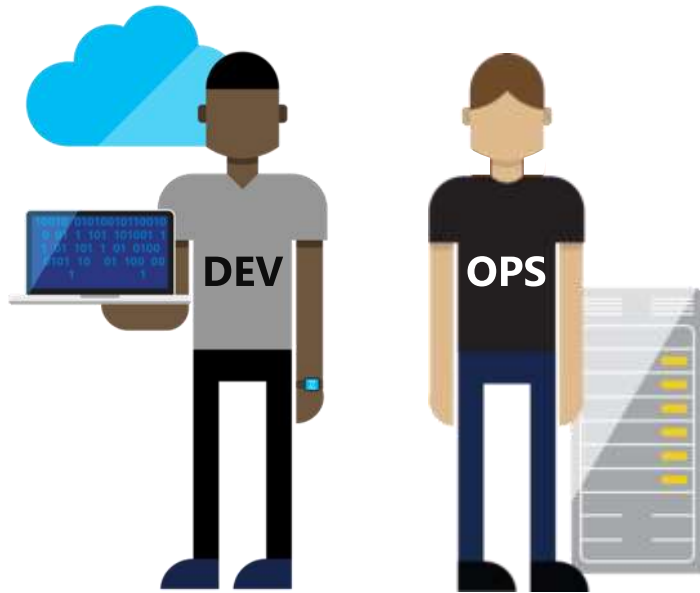
Service-focused DevOps teams

Standardized processes and configurations



Services

DevOps: the three stage conversation



1 People

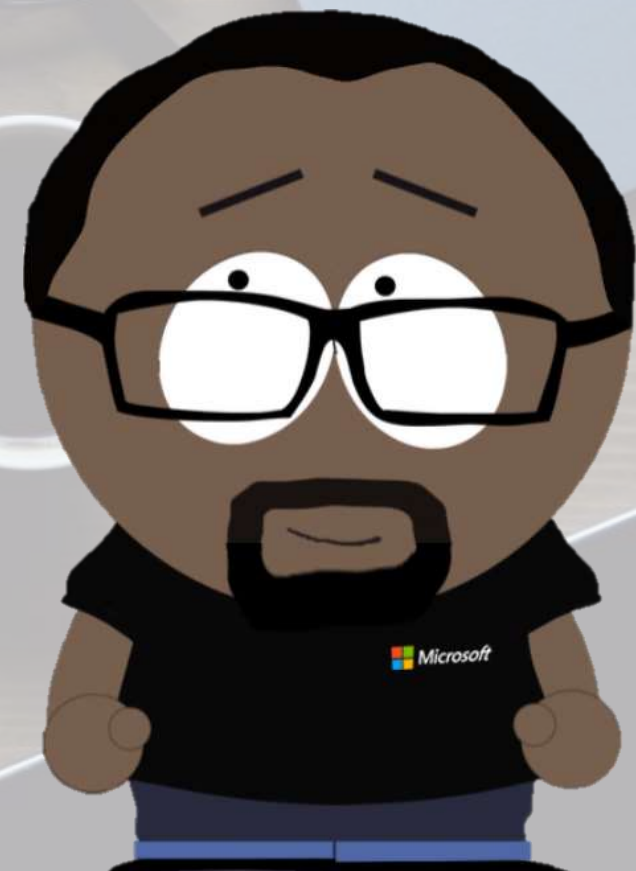
2 Process

3 Products

DevOps is the union of people, process, and products to enable continuous delivery of value to our end users.

- Donovan Brown

<http://bit.ly/WhatIs-DevOps>





Why Containers?



Developers

- Enable 'write-once, run-anywhere' apps
- Enables microservice architectures
- Great for dev/test of apps and services
- Production realism
- Growing Developer Community



Operations

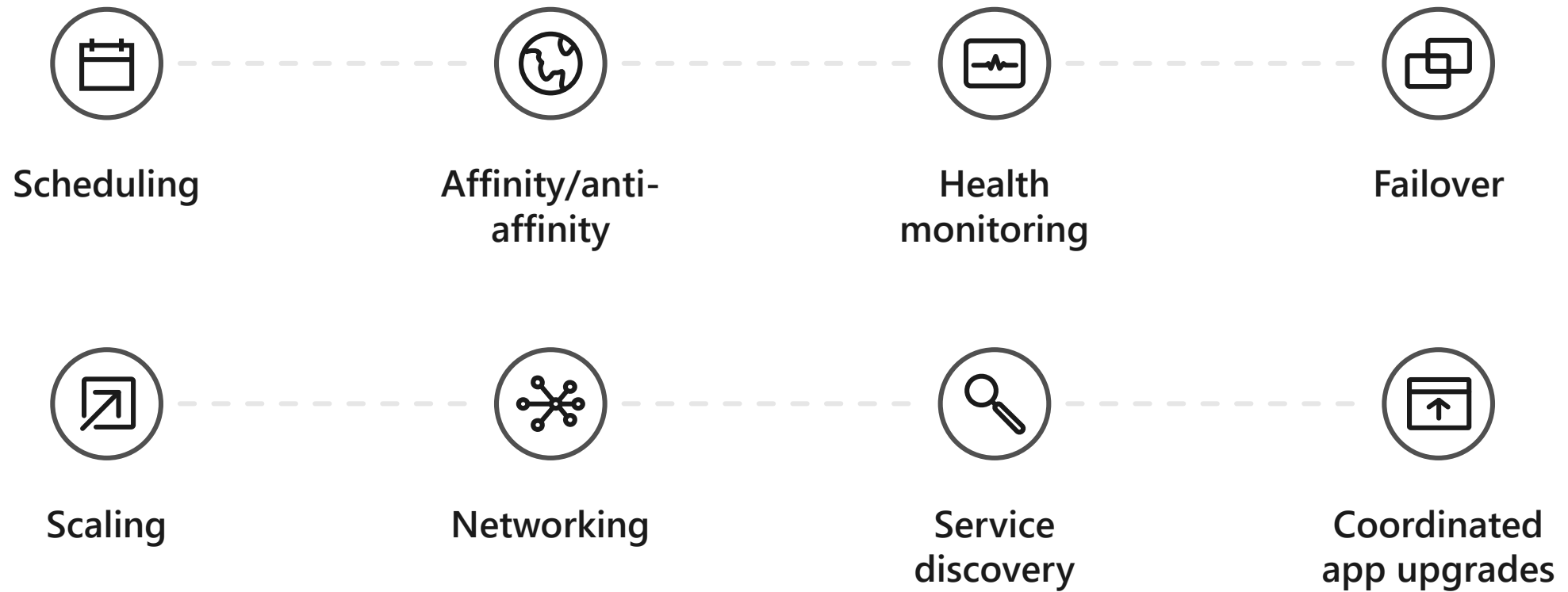
- Portability, Portability, Portability
- Standardized development, QA, and prod environments
- Abstract differences in OS distributions and underlying infrastructure
- Higher compute density
- Easily scale-up and scale-down in response to changing business needs

DevOps



Container Orchestration

The elements of orchestration



Kubernetes: the de-facto orchestrator



Portable

Public, private, hybrid,
multi-cloud

Extensible

Modular, pluggable,
hookable, composable

Self-healing

Auto-placement, auto-restart,
auto-replication, auto-scaling

Kubernetes: empowering you to do more



Deploy your
applications quickly
and predictably

Scale your
applications on
the fly

Roll out
new features
seamlessly

Limit hardware
usage to required
resources only

Container Orchestration:

Kubernetes

Azure Container Service (AKS)

**Your Kubernetes cluster,
managed by Azure**

Why AKS?

- Easy to use
 - Fastest path to Kubernetes on Azure
 - Up and running with 3 simple commands
- Easy to manage
 - Automated upgrades and patching
 - Easily scale the cluster up and down
 - Self-healing control plane
- Uses Open APIs
 - 100% upstream Kubernetes

AKS in Action – Creating a K8s Cluster

```
$ az aks create -g <resourceGroupName> -n  
<k8sClusterName> --generate-ssh-keys
```

```
\ Running ..
```

```
$ az aks install-cli
```

```
Downloading client to /usr/local/bin/kubectl ..
```

```
$ az aks get-credentials -g <resourceGroupName> -n  
<k8sClusterName>
```

```
Merged "<k8sClusterName>" as current context ..
```

AKS in Action – Managing an AKS Cluster

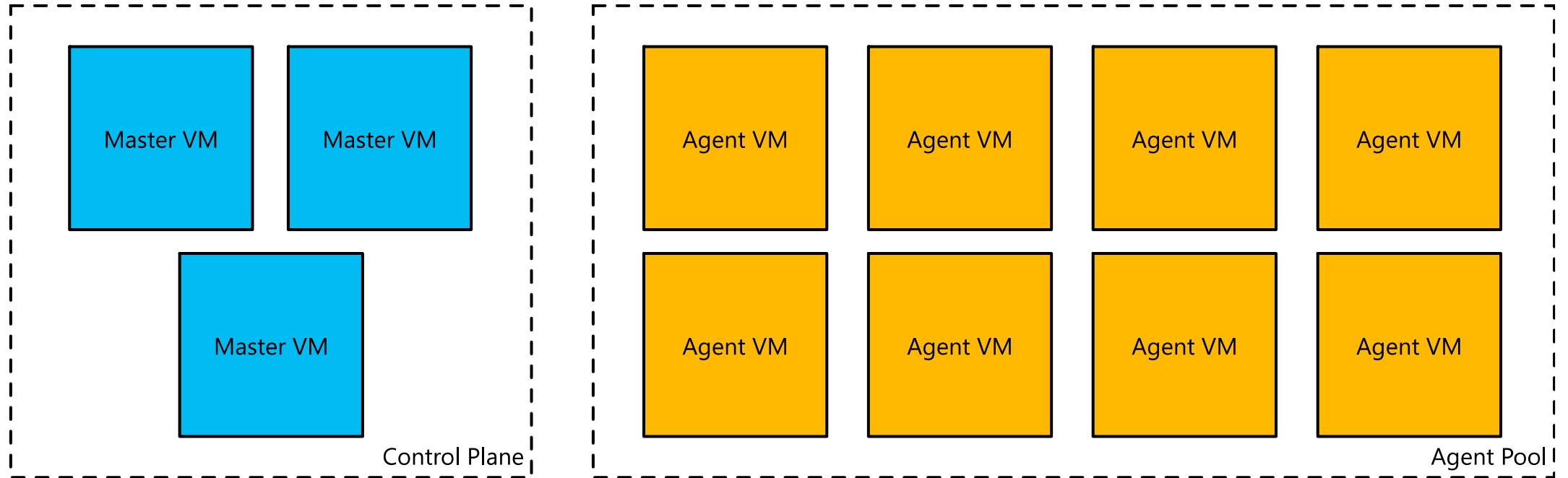
```
$ az aks upgrade -g <resourceGroupName> -n  
<k8sClusterName> --kubernetes-version 1.8.1
```

```
\ Running ..
```

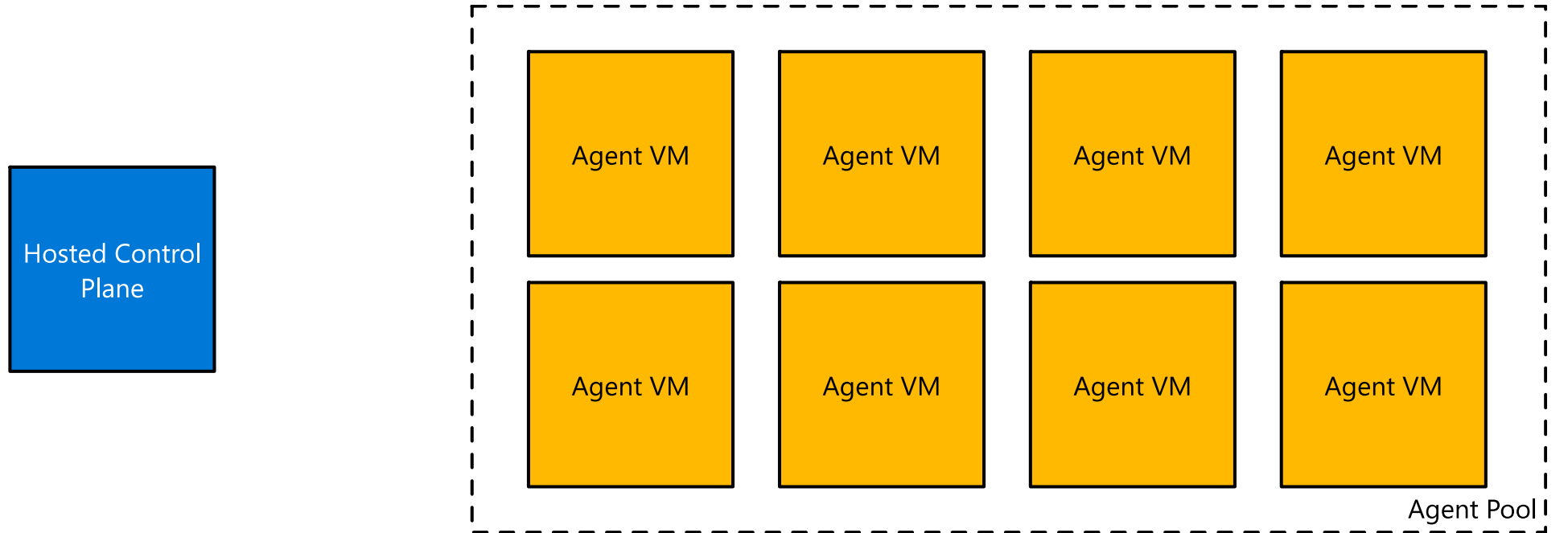
```
$ az aks scale -g <resourceGroupName> -n <k8sClusterName>  
--agent-count 6
```

```
| Running ..
```

Kubernetes without AKS



Kubernetes with AKS





Azure Container
Service (AKS)



Azure Container
Instances (ACI)



Azure Container
Registry



Open Service
Broker API (OSBA)



Release
Automation Tools

Release automation tools

Simplifying the Kubernetes experience



Streamlined
Kubernetes
development



The package
manager for
Kubernetes



Event-driven
scripting for
Kubernetes



Visualization
dashboard for
Brigade





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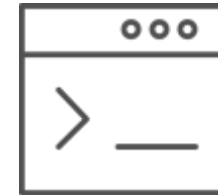
Draft

Simple app development and deployment – into
any Kubernetes cluster



Simplified development

Using two simple commands, developers
can now begin hacking on container-based
applications without requiring Docker or
even installing Kubernetes themselves



Language support

Draft detects which language your app is
written in, and then uses packs to
generate a Dockerfile and Helm Chart
with the best practices for that language



Demo – Draft & Helm Collaboration





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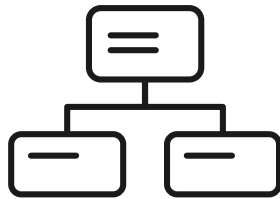
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Helm

The best way to find, share, and use software
built for Kubernetes



Manage complexity

Charts can describe complex apps; provide repeatable app installs, and serve as a single point of authority



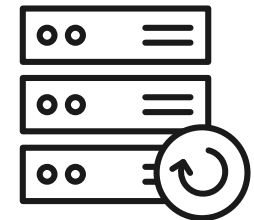
Easy updates

Take the pain out of updates with in-place upgrades and custom hooks



Simple sharing

Charts are easy to version, share, and host on public or private servers



Rollbacks

Use `helm rollback` to roll back to an older version of a release with ease





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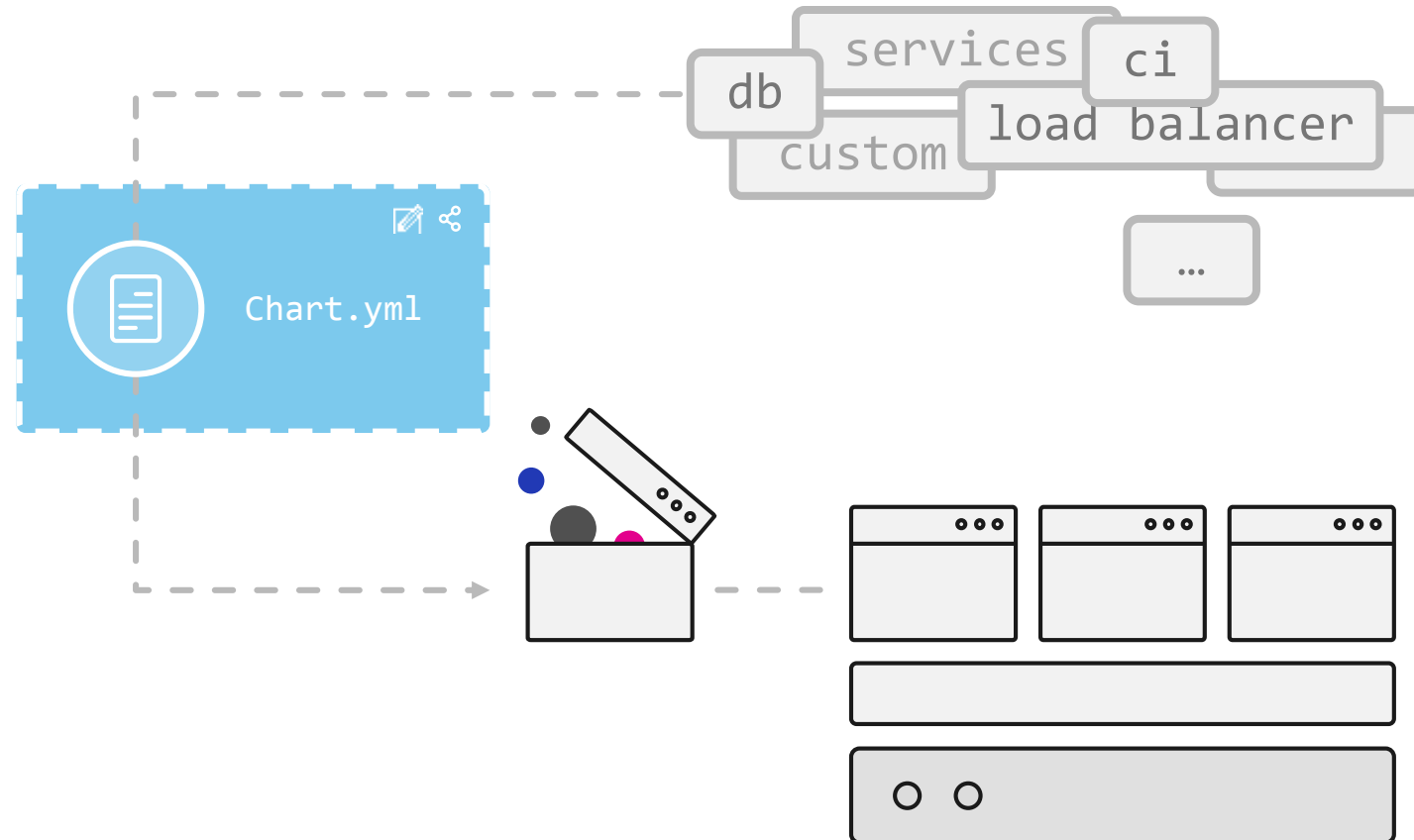
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Helm

Helm Charts helps you define, install, and upgrade even the most complex Kubernetes application



What is Helm?

???

What is Helm?

DEATH TO
COPY PASTE

What is Helm?

No more
indent errors



- The Kubernetes package manager
 - Similar to brew/apt/pip/nuget but for Kubernetes
- Combines multiple Kubernetes resources in one versioned unit (a *chart*)
- Templates provide default behavior and ability to override
- Enables lifecycle operations like upgrade
- Helm repos enable easy deployment of pre-built apps

Birth of Helm

- On October 15th, 2015
- Hackathon project at company offsite
 - Could we take the ideas behind npm and Homebrew and build something for deploying apps into Kubernetes?
- Installation tool for Deis Workflow
- Announced at the first KubeCon in San Francisco 2015

Architecture

Key concepts: Helm, Tiller, Charts

- Helm has two major components:
 - **Helm client**
 - **Tiller server**
- Helm client is the CLI for end users
 - Written in Go, uses gRPC to interact with the server
 - Sends charts and values to Tiller for install, upgrade, etc.

Architecture

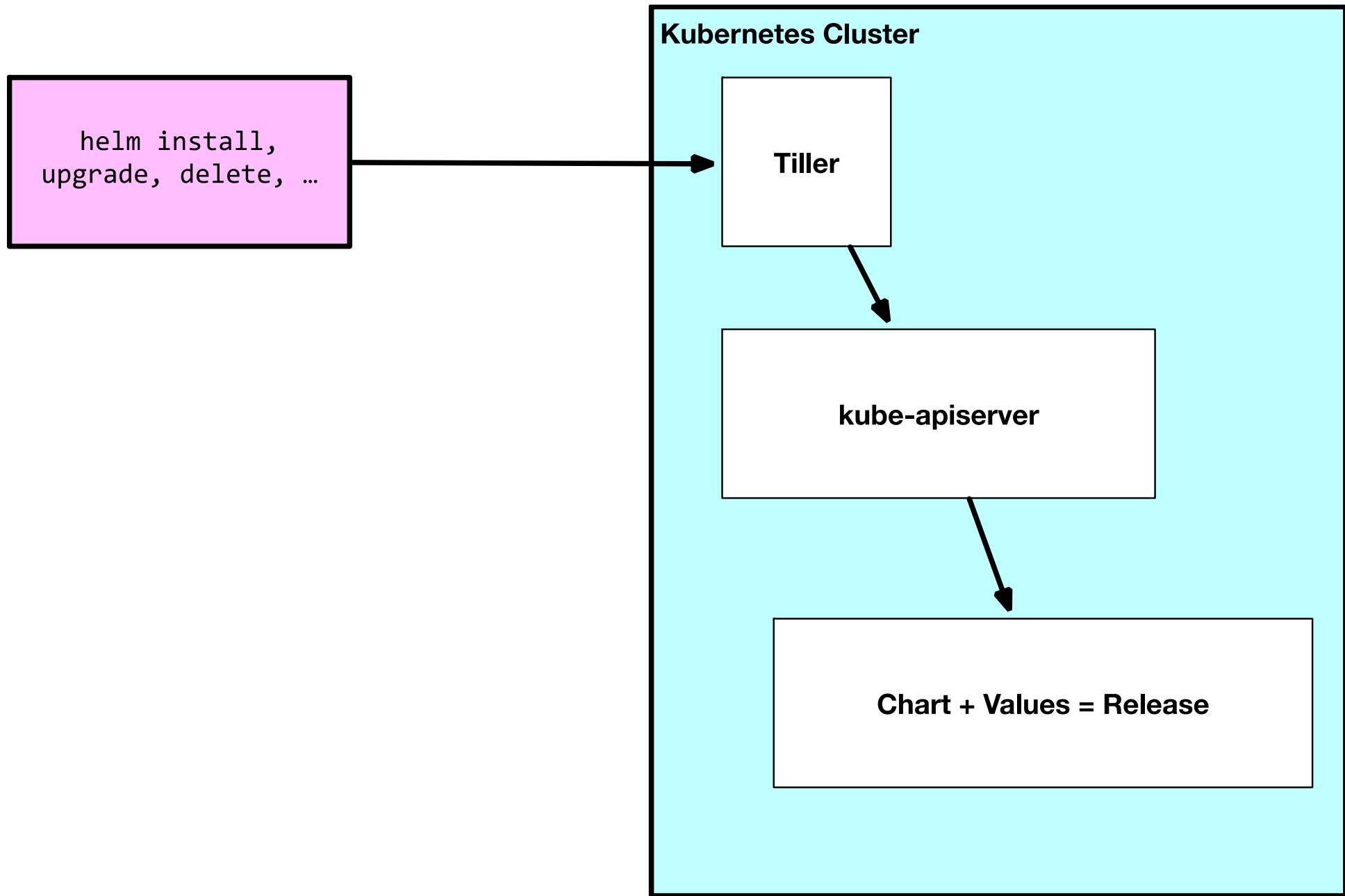
Tiller server

- In-cluster server that interacts with the client and interfaces with the Kubernetes

API server

Chart

- Collection of Kubernetes resources



Demo – Helm and Crochunter



Helm Charts



Chart structure

- Charts have structure
 - Set of conventions, including file and directory names
 - Charts can be packaged into tarballs for distribution

Chart structure

- Layout
 - Helm expects a strict chart structure

```
wordpress/  
  Chart.yaml      # A YAML file containing information about the chart  
  LICENSE         # OPTIONAL: A plain text file containing the license for the chart  
  README.md       # OPTIONAL: A human-readable README file  
  values.yaml     # The default configuration values for this chart  
  charts/         # OPTIONAL: A directory containing any charts upon which this chart depends.  
  templates/      # OPTIONAL: A directory of templates that, when combined with values,  
                  # will generate valid Kubernetes manifest files.  
  templates/NOTES.txt # OPTIONAL: A plain text file containing short usage notes
```

Chart.yaml

```
name: The name of the chart (required)
version: A SemVer 2 version (required)
description: A single-sentence description of this project (optional)
keywords:
  - A list of keywords about this project (optional)
home: The URL of this project's home page (optional)
sources:
  - A list of URLs to source code for this project (optional)
maintainers: # (optional)
  - name: The maintainer's name (required for each maintainer)
    email: The maintainer's email (optional for each maintainer)
engine: gotpl # The name of the template engine (optional, defaults to gotpl)
icon: A URL to an SVG or PNG image to be used as an icon (optional).
```

Helm values.yaml

- The knobs and dials:
 - A `values.yaml` file provided with the chart that contains **default** values
 - Use `-f` to provide your own values overrides
 - Use `--set` to override individual values

Helm Templates

- Built on Go's template language w/addition of 50 or so add-on template functions
- Almost anything goes! ;)
- Also useful in generating random values (e.g. passwords)
 - Provides flow control (if/else, with, range, etc)
 - Named templates (partials)

Helm Templates

- Built-in predefined values
 - Release-related
 - `Release.Name`, `Release.Namespace`,
`Release.IsInstall`, `Release.IsUpgrade`,
etc.
 - Chart:
 - Values from `chart.yaml`: **Chart.Version**,
Chart.Maintainers, etc.

Chart versions

- Helm uses version numbers as release markers
 - All charts must specify SemVer2 numbers

Helm charts (the other bits)

Chart LICENSE, README and NOTES

- **README.md**: description of application or service that the chart provides, prereqs to run, description of options in `values.yaml` and their default values
- **templates/NOTES.txt**: NOTES are printed after install, upgrade, or when viewing the status of a release. Meant for chart developers to display usage notes, next steps, etc. for chart users.

Dependencies

- A chart can depend on any number of other charts.
- Dependencies are expressed by
 - copying the dependency charts into the `charts/` subdirectory
 - `Requirements.yaml` allows you to declare dependencies

Helm's other hats

- Lifecycle Management
 - Update
 - Rollback
 - Config management
 - Testing
 - Repeatability

Demo – DevOps Project with AKS



Installing Helm

Helm.sh



Installing Draft

Draft.sh



Copy from the best!

- <https://github.com/kubernetes/charts>
- <https://kubernetes.io/docs/concepts/extend-kubernetes/operator/charts/>
- Stable charts: we are pretty sure these work well.
- Incubator charts: good luck, hard fight!
- Interested in writing a chart? Reach out! We only bite on the weekends.

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