

**Welcome to Week 1**

# **AWS & Azure Academy 2024**



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Hello

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# Agenda

- Speaking the language of Cloud
- Survey of AWS vs. Azure Services (Compute, Networking, Storage, Database)
- Secure networking on the Cloud (AWS PrivateLink and Azure Private Endpoints)
- Infrastructure-as-Code (IaC) – The What and the Why



## How we're going to work together

- Slides and words to highlight key concepts
- Demos to bring those concepts “to life”
- Lab work (which will take place in sandboxes provided by “A Cloud Guru”) for hands-on reinforcement
- NOTE: I welcome being interrupted – if you need more info, or clarification, or anything else, just break in and ask. I am here to help you.



# Speaking the Language of Cloud



## Application Hosting

By Application Hosting, we mean the target infrastructure and runtime platform used for deployment and execution of an application or system; can include compute (CPU and server resources), storage, network, data and operating system



## Application Hosting – An “Interesting” Example?

Here's an example of someone thinking “outside-of-the-box” when it comes to application hosting!

<https://mashable.com/article/pregnancy-test-doom/>

## What Are the Hosting Options with Cloud?

- ☐ IaaS
- ☐ PaaS
- ☐ Serverless / FaaS
- ☐ SaaS
- ☐ Containers



What do they all mean?

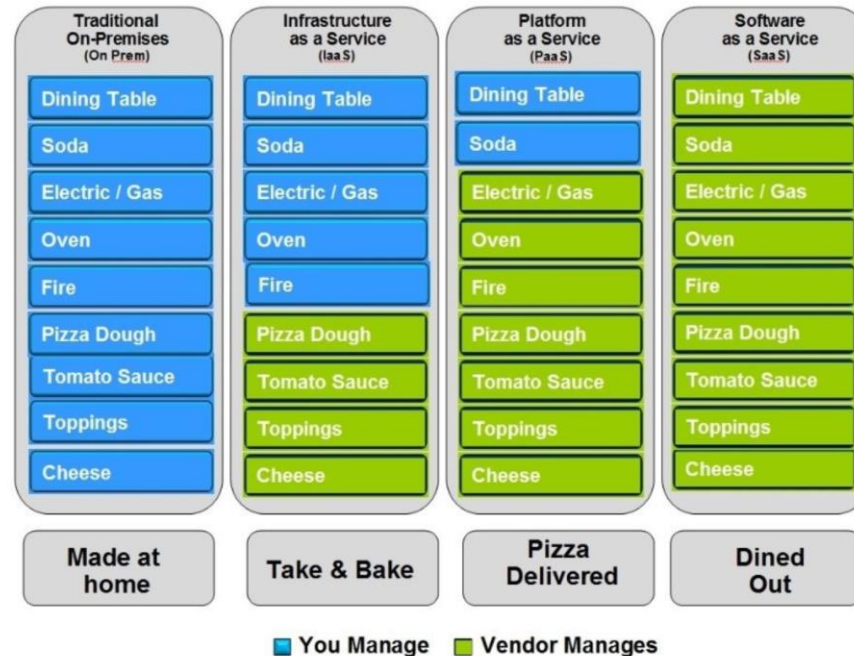


# Pizza-as-a-Service

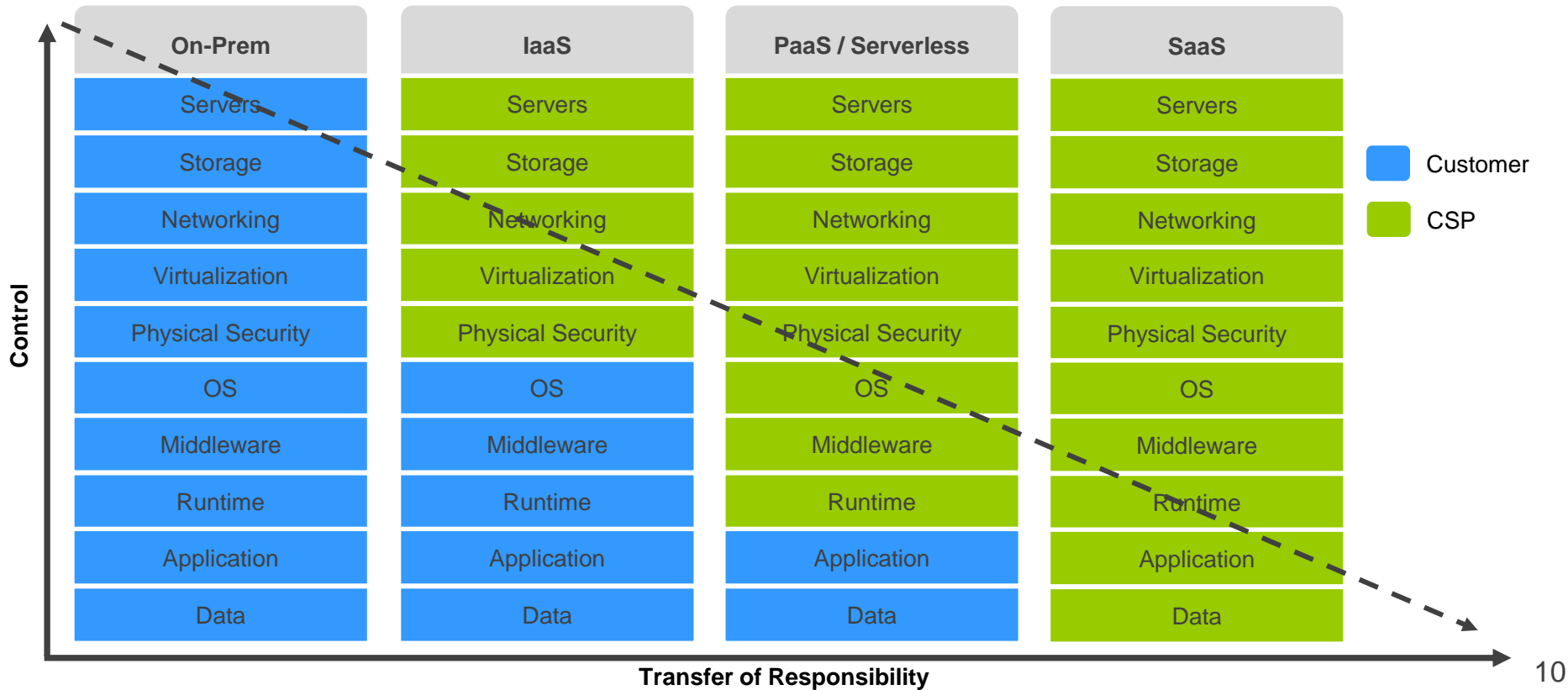
From a LinkedIn post by Albert Barron from IBM (<https://www.linkedin.com/pulse/20140730172610-9679881-pizza-as-a-service/>)



## Pizza as a Service



## Side-by-Side Comparison





# Survey of AWS vs. Azure Services



**Compute**

# AWS



## Compute



### AWS App Runner

Build and run production web applications at scale

### Batch

Fully managed batch processing at any scale

### EC2

Virtual Servers in the Cloud

### EC2 Image Builder

A managed service to automate build, customize and deploy OS images

### Elastic Beanstalk

Run and Manage Web Apps

### Lambda

Run code without thinking about servers

### Lightsail

Launch and Manage Virtual Private Servers

### AWS Outposts

Run AWS Services On Premises

### Parallel Computing Service

Easily run HPC workloads at virtually any scale

### Serverless Application Repository

Assemble, deploy, and share serverless applications within teams or publicly

### AWS SimSpace Weaver

Build and run large-scale spatial simulations



# Azure



**Infrastructure as a Service (IaaS)**

- Availability sets
- Azure compute galleries
- Images
- Restore Point Collections PREVIEW
- Virtual machine scale sets
- VM application versions
- Community images
- Host groups
- Lab accounts
- SSH keys
- Virtual machines
- VM image definitions
- Compute Fleet
- Image templates
- Proximity placement groups
- Azure Virtual Desktop
- VM application definitions
- VM image versions

**Platform as a Service (PaaS)**

- App Services
- Virtual Instances for SAP solutions
- Cloud services (extended support)
- Azure VMware Solution
- Azure Spring Apps

**Serverless and microservices**

- Container Apps
- Kubernetes services
- Container Apps Environments
- Kubernetes services - Automatic (Preview)
- Function App

**High performance computing**

- BareMetal Instances
- Quantum Workspaces PREVIEW
- Batch accounts
- SAP HANA on Azure PREVIEW
- Genomics accounts

**Hybrid cloud**

- Azure Arc
- Machines - Azure Arc

## DEMO/LAB:

AWS - EC2 Instance  
Bootstrapping

Execute the “Hands-On” lab available at  
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## DEMO/LAB:

AWS - Lambda Using  
AWS Console

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## DEMO/LAB:

Azure - Function App in  
Azure Portal

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# Networking

# AWS



## Networking & Content Delivery



### API Gateway

Build, Deploy and Manage APIs

### AWS App Mesh

Easily monitor and control microservices

### Amazon Application Recovery Controller

Monitor application recovery readiness and manage failovers

### AWS Cloud Map

Build a dynamic map of your cloud

### CloudFront

Global Content Delivery Network

### Direct Connect

Dedicated Network Connection to AWS

### Global Accelerator

Improve your application's availability and performance using the AWS Global Network

### AWS Private 5G

Deploy and scale private mobile networks on-premises

### Route 53

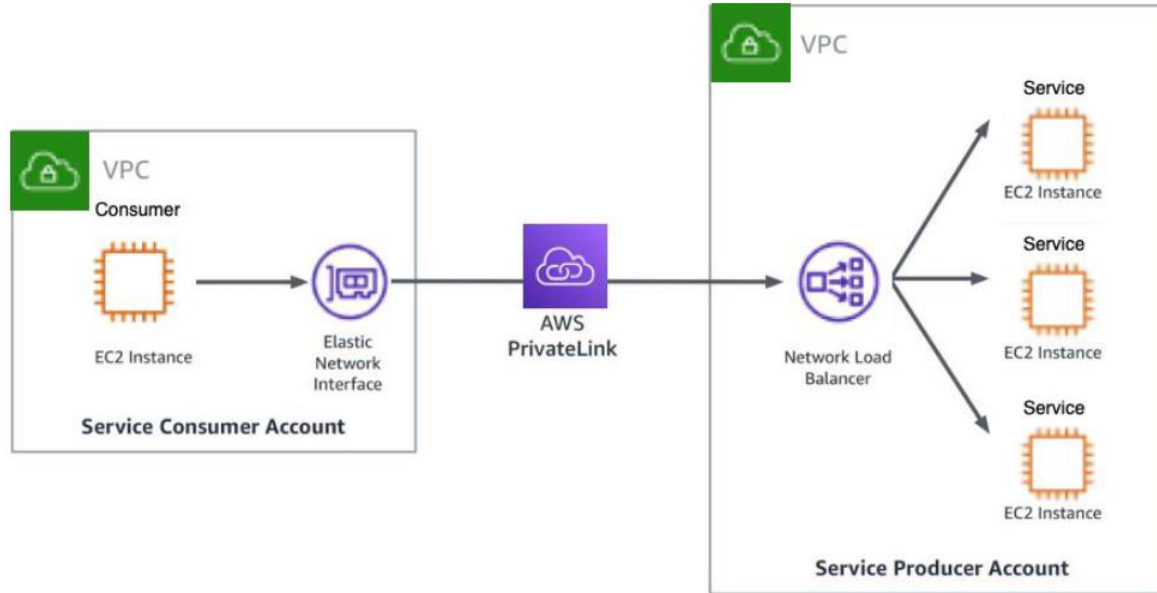
Scalable DNS and Domain Name Registration

### VPC

Isolated Cloud Resources



# AWS PrivateLink



<https://docs.aws.amazon.com/vpc/latest/privatelink/what-is-privatelink.html>

<https://docs.aws.amazon.com/vpc/latest/privatelink/concepts.html>

<https://docs.aws.amazon.com/whitepapers/latest/aws-privatelink/aws-privatelink.html>

# Azure



**Network foundation**

- Bastions
- DNS zones
- Network managers
- Public IP addresses
- Virtual networks
- Custom IP Prefixes
- NAT gateways
- Private DNS zones
- Public IP Prefixes
- DNS private resolvers
- Network interfaces
- Private Link
- Route tables

**Hybrid connectivity**

- Communications Gateways
- ExpressRoute traffic collectors
- Peering Services
- Virtual WANs
- Connections
- Local network gateways
- Peerings
- ExpressRoute circuits
- Mobile Networks
- Virtual network gateways

**Network security**

- DDoS protection plans
- IP Groups
- Web Application Firewall policies (WAF)
- Firewall Manager
- Network security groups
- Firewalls
- Network Security Perimeters **PREVIEW**

**Load balancing**

- Application gateways
- Load balancers
- Load balancing - help me choose

**Content delivery**

- Front Door and CDN profiles
- Microsoft Connected Cache for Internet Service Providers

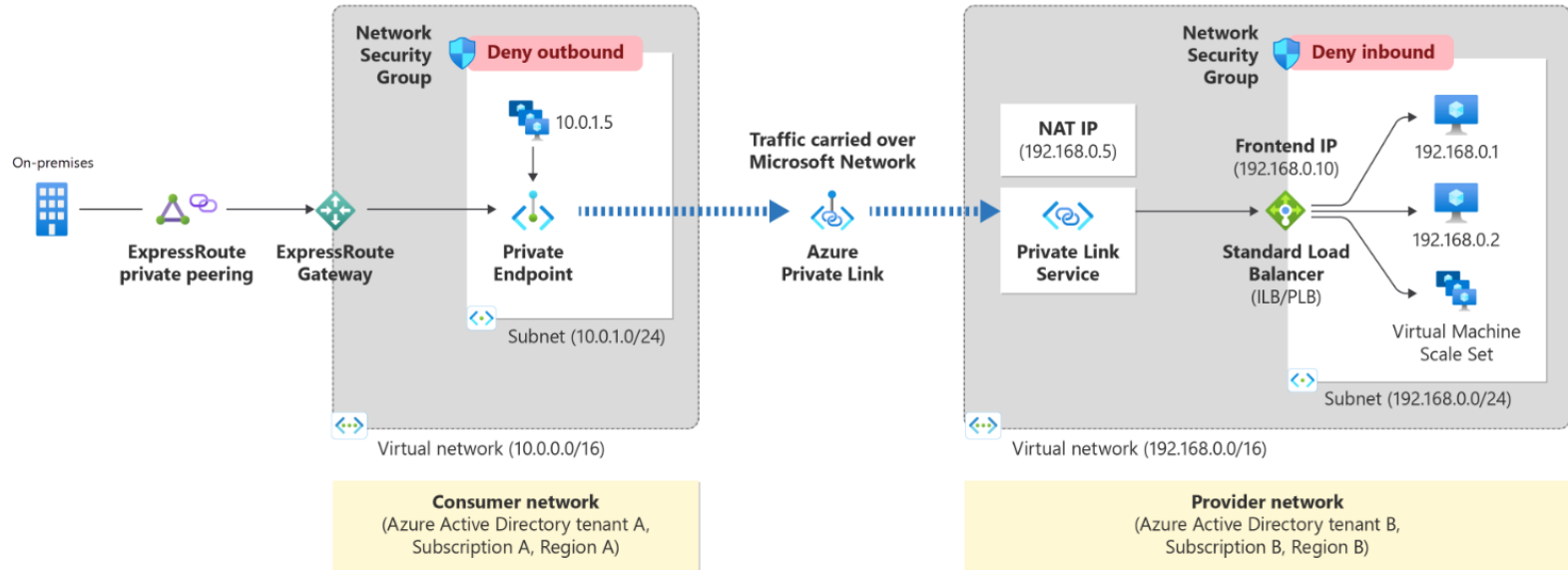
**Monitoring**

- Monitor
- Network Watcher

**Additional networking services**

- NGINXaaS **PARTNER**

# Azure Private Link



<https://learn.microsoft.com/en-us/azure/private-link/private-link-overview>

<https://learn.microsoft.com/en-us/azure/private-link/private-link-service-overview>

<https://learn.microsoft.com/en-us/azure/private-link/private-endpoint-overview>

# Storage

# AWS



## Storage



### AWS Backup

AWS Backup centrally manages and automates backups across AWS services

### EFS

Managed File Storage for EC2

### AWS Elastic Disaster Recovery

Scalable, cost-effective application recovery to AWS

### FSx

Fully managed third-party file systems optimized for a variety of workloads

### S3

Scalable Storage in the Cloud

### S3 Glacier

Archive Storage in the Cloud

### Storage Gateway


Hybrid Storage Integration







## Hybrid and edge storage

 Azure Edge Hardware Center

 Azure Stack Edge / Data Box Gateway

## Object, file, and block storage


 Disk Accesses

 Disk Encryption Sets


 Disks

 Elastic SANs


 Azure Native Qumulo Scalable File Service **PARTNER**

 Azure NetApp Files


 Snapshots


 Storage accounts




 Storage browser

## Storage migration


 Azure Data Box


 Storage movers

## Additional storage services

 Data Lake Storage Gen1

 HPC caches

 Azure Managed Lustre

 Storage Sync Services

## DEMO/LAB:

AWS - S3 and VPC

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## DEMO/LAB:

Azure - Private Link for  
Blob Storage

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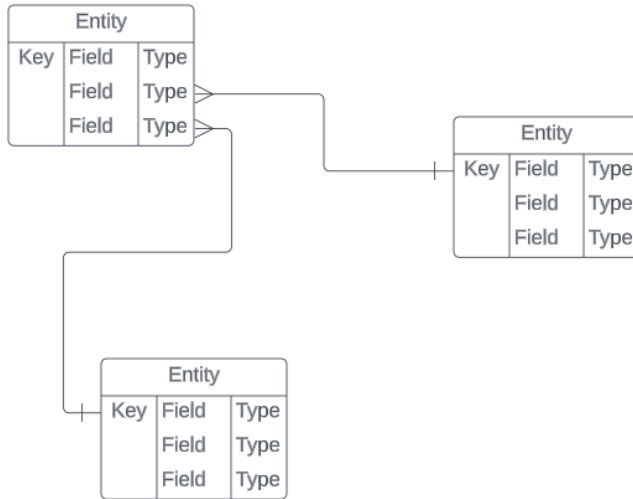
AWS - PrivateLink

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# Database

# Relational Databases



- Collection of related tables (representing entities) and fields (representing entity attributes)
- Supports identification of keys that can be used to quickly locate and uniquely identify entities
- Normalized relationships used to create hierarchies of connected entities and minimize data duplication
- Strict data design (schema)

# Document Databases

```
{
  "id": "b01754e8-5108-401d-810d-ff0aa6b9337e",
  "name": {
    "first": "Melissa",
    "last": "Testing"
  },
  "address": {
    "street": "123 Main St",
    "city": "San Francisco",
    "state": "CA",
    "zip": "94105"
  }
}
```

- Data represented as a logical grouping of attributes and relationships
- Captures entire hierarchy (parent and children) used to describe an entity (or “document”)
- Data is repeated (rather than normalized), fully encapsulating all detail about an entity in the system
- Fluid data design

# AWS



## Database



### ☆ Amazon DocumentDB

Fully-managed MongoDB-compatible database service

### DynamoDB

Managed NoSQL Database

### ElastiCache

In-Memory Cache

### Amazon Keyspaces

Serverless Cassandra-compatible database

### Amazon MemoryDB

Fully managed, Redis OSS-compatible, in-memory database service

### Neptune

Fast, reliable graph database built for the cloud

### Amazon QLDB

Fully managed ledger database

### RDS

Managed Relational Database Service

### Amazon Timestream

Amazon Timestream is a fast, scalable, and serverless time series database for IoT and operational applications.





# Azure




## Build new applications


 Azure Cosmos DB





 Azure Database for PostgreSQL flexible servers


 Azure SQL Database Hyperscale


## Modernize existing applications

 Azure Cosmos DB for MongoDB (vCore)


 Azure Database for MySQL flexible servers


 Azure Managed Instance for Apache Cassandra

 Oracle Database@Azure


 SQL databases




 SQL managed instances


 SQL virtual machines

## Hybrid data services

 Azure Arc data controllers


 PostgreSQL servers – Azure Arc PREVIEW


 SQL managed instances - Azure Arc

 SQL Server - Azure Arc


## Additional data services

 Azure Cache for Redis

 Azure Database Migration Services

 Elastic Job agents

 Managed databases

 SQL Server stretch databases

## DEMO/LAB:

AWS - Serverless with DB

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## DEMO/LAB:

Azure - MySQL Database

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# Containerization



## So, What Are Containers?

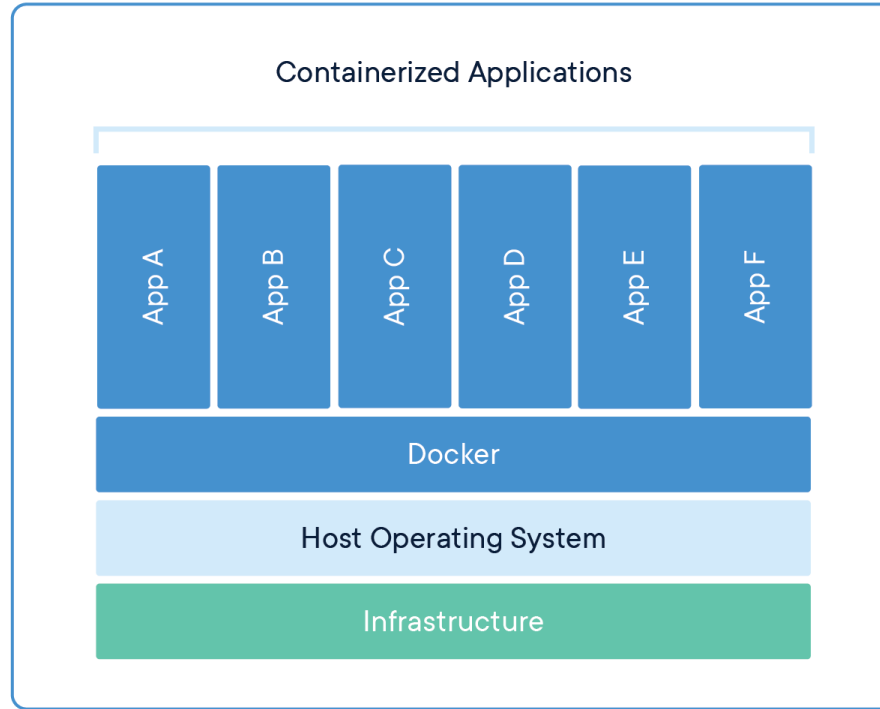
- Form of virtualization at the app packaging level (like virtual machines at the server level)
- Isolated from one another at the OS process layer (vs VM's which are isolated at the hardware abstraction layer)
- Images represent the packaging up of an application and its dependencies as a complete, deployable unit of execution (code, runtime and configuration)



## So, What Are Containers?

- A platform (e.g., Docker) running on a system can be used to dynamically create containers (executable instances of the app) from the defined image
- Typically, much, much smaller than a VM which makes them lightweight, quickly deployable and quick to “boot up”
- An orchestration engine (e.g., Kubernetes) might be used to coordinate multiple instances of the same container (or a “pod” of containers) to enable the servicing of more concurrent requests (scalability)

## So, What Are Containers?



# So, How Do Containers & Microservices Fit Together?

- Microservices – with their smaller size, independently-deployable and independently-scalable profile, and encapsulated business domain boundary – are a great fit for containers
- Using Kubernetes, sophisticated systems of integrated microservices can be built, tested and deployed
- Leveraging the scheduling and scalability benefits of Kubernetes can help an organization target scaling across a complex workflow in very granular ways
- This helps with cost management as you can toggle individual parts of the system for optimized performance







## Containers



### Elastic Container Registry

Fully-managed Docker container registry : Share and deploy container software, publicly or privately

### Elastic Container Service

Highly secure, reliable, and scalable way to run containers

### Elastic Kubernetes Service

The most trusted way to start, run, and scale Kubernetes

### Red Hat OpenShift Service on AWS

Fully managed Red Hat OpenShift service on AWS

# Azure



## Container infrastructure



Container instances



Container registries

## Container management



Kubernetes fleet manager



Kubernetes services



Kubernetes services - Automatic (Preview)



Azure Red Hat OpenShift clusters



Service Fabric clusters



Service Fabric managed clusters

## Containerized applications



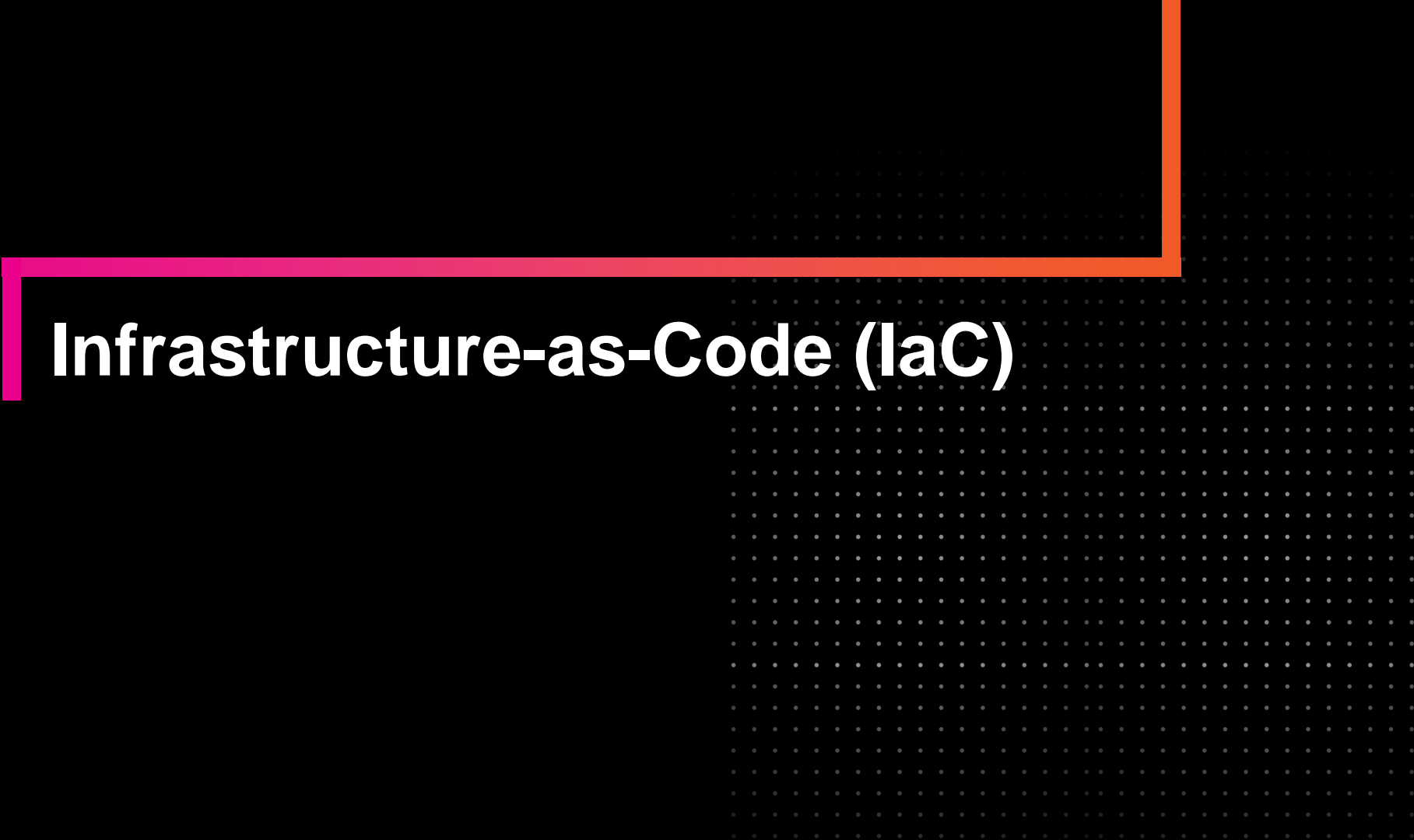
App Configuration



Container App Jobs



Container Apps



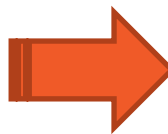
# Infrastructure-as-Code (IaC)

# The What and the Why



## IaC – What is it?

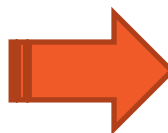
- As the name implies, the definition & configuration of our infrastructure IN code
- Instead of manually creating (inefficient) → automated in scripts that run “at the push of a button”





## IaC – Why is it valuable?

- If only creating a handful of resources, manual is (probably) fine
- Creating hundreds (or even thousands), not so much!
- Modern DevOps is built around automation – quickly tearing down and rebuilding entire sets of infrastructure as and when required



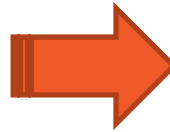
## laC – Advantages?



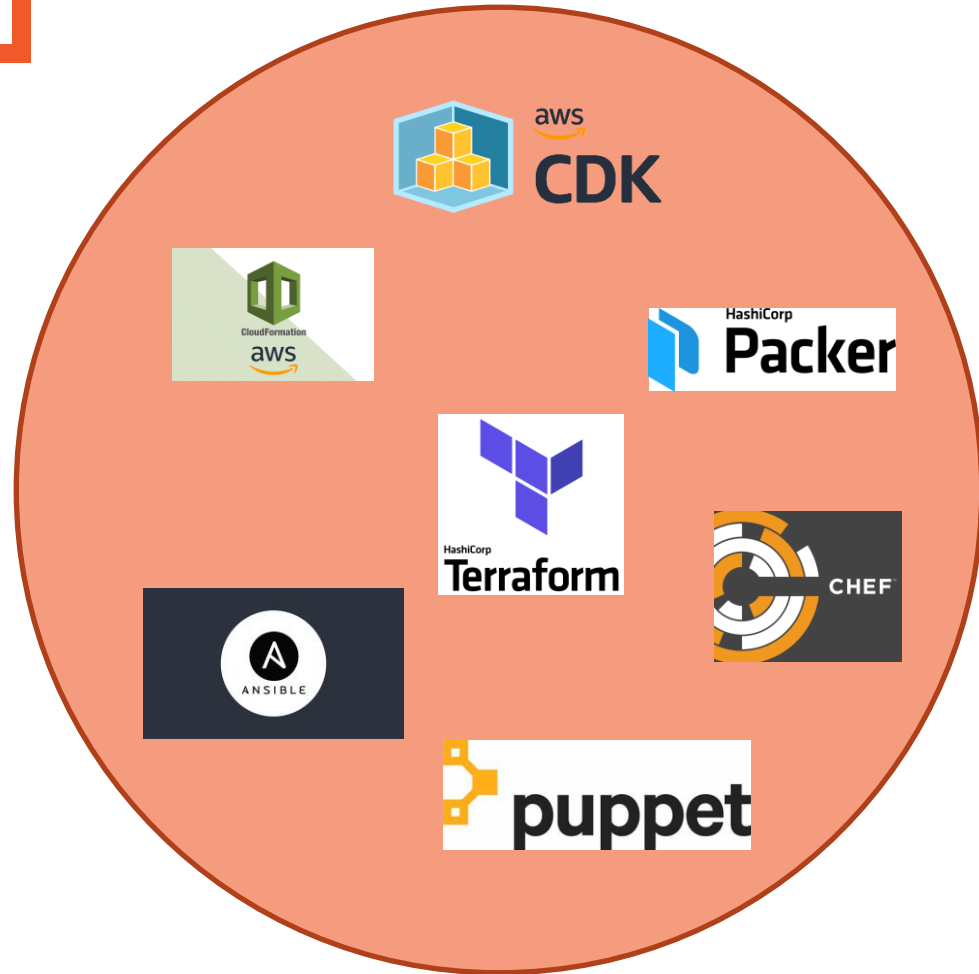
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Repeatable

Auditable

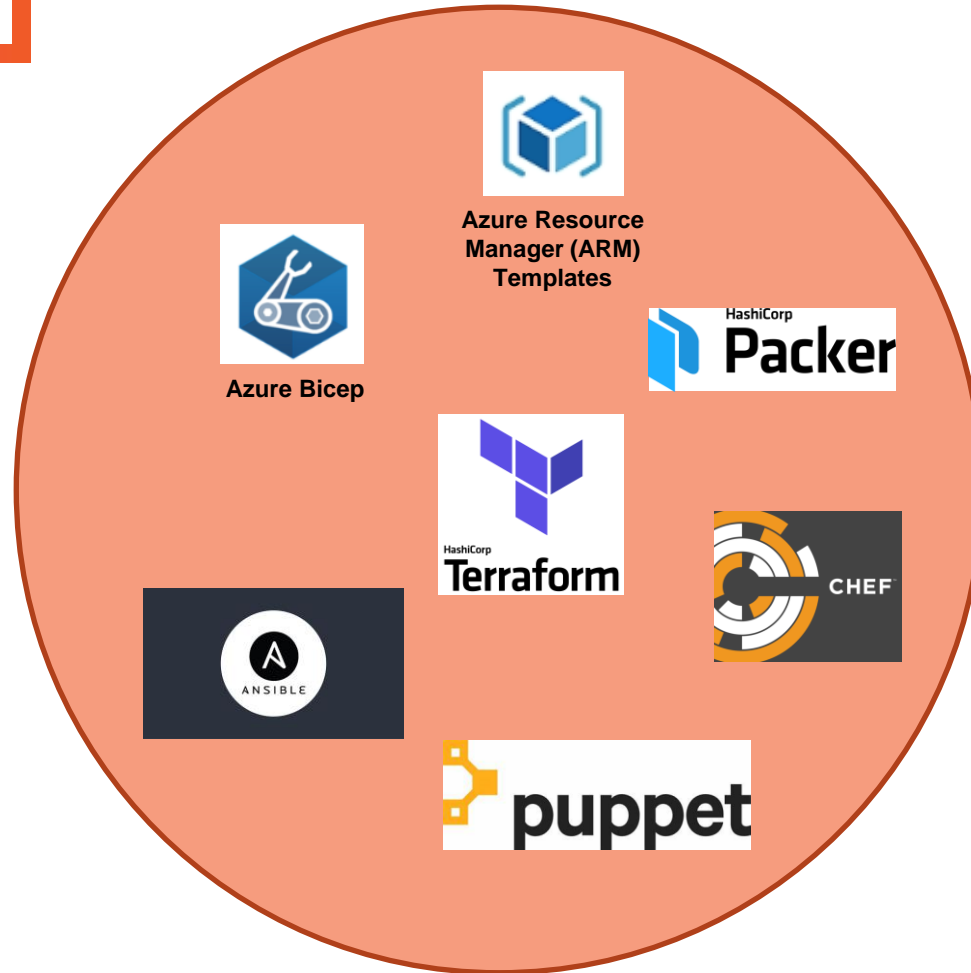


## IaC – AWS





## IaC – Azure





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