

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



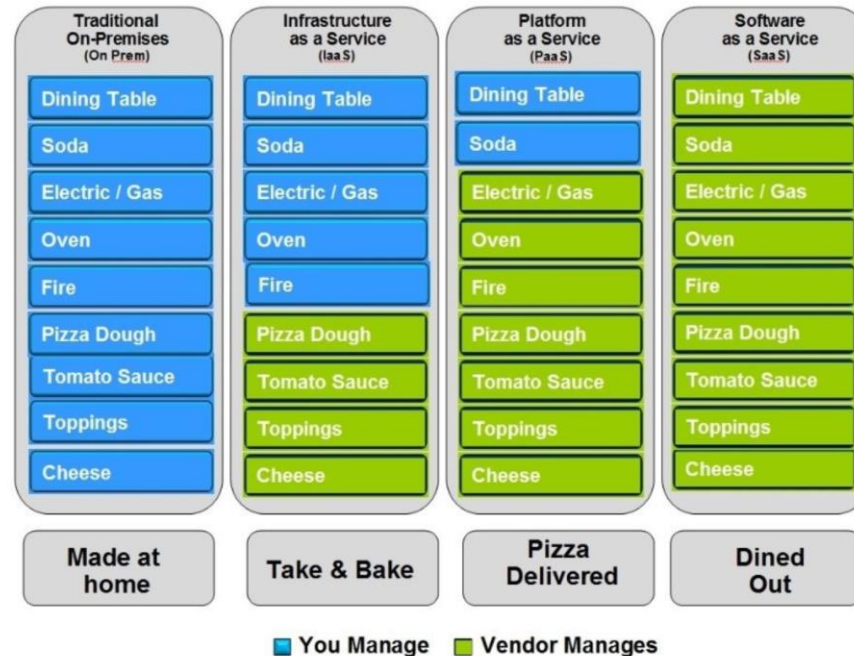
What do they all mean?

Pizza-as-a-Service

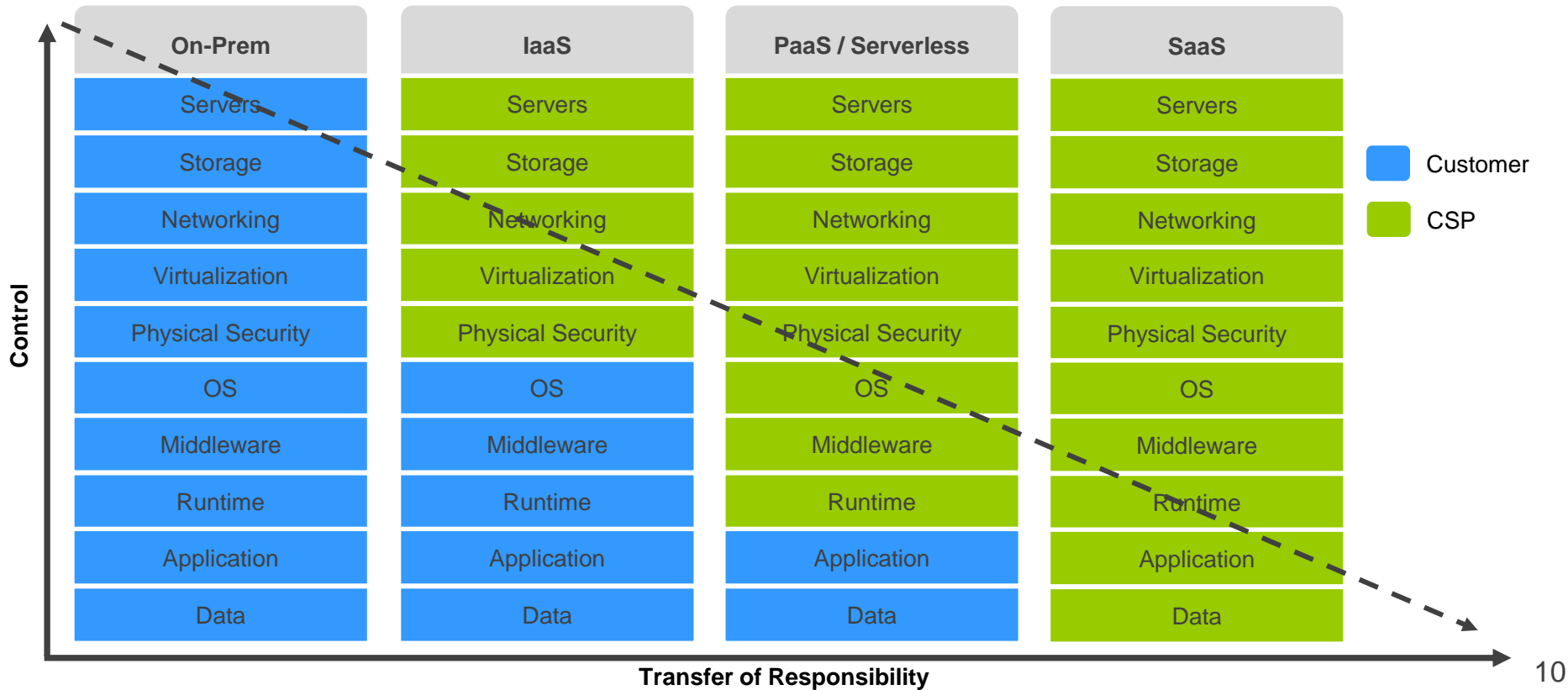
From a LinkedIn post by Albert Barron from IBM (<https://www.linkedin.com/pulse/20140730172610-9679881-pizza-as-a-service/>)



Pizza as a Service



Side-by-Side Comparison



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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
https://github.com/KernelGamut32/aws_azure_academy_2024_public/tree/main/week01/labs/lab01

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

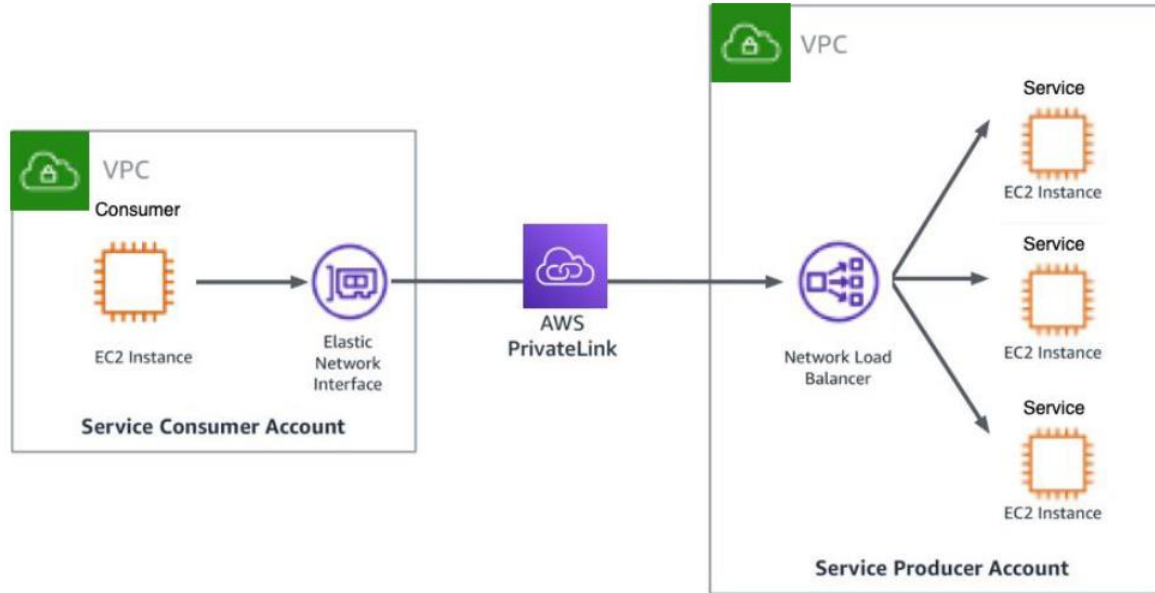
Scalable DNS and Domain Name Registration

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

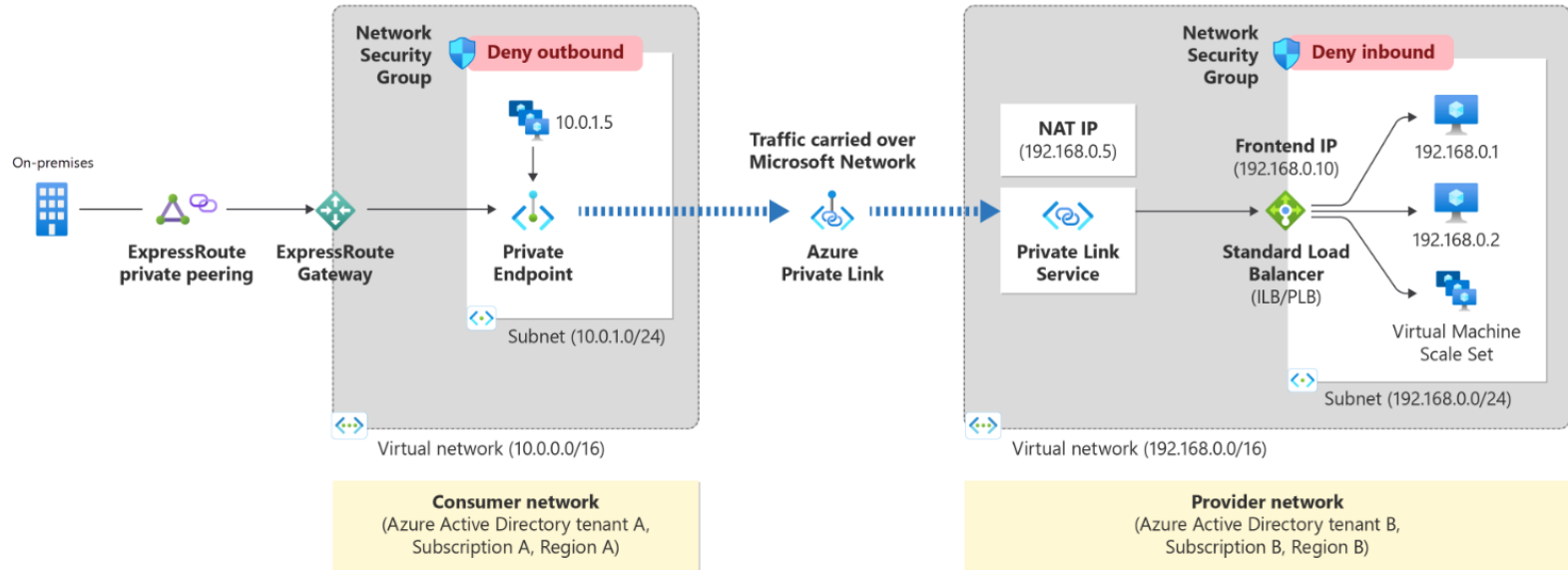
Monitoring

- 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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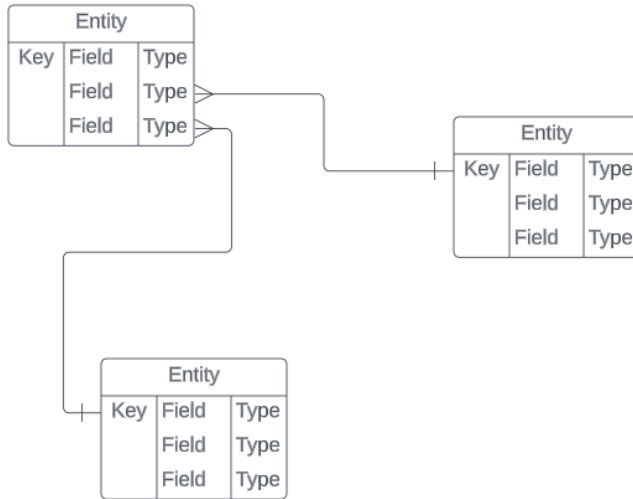
AWS - PrivateLink

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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?

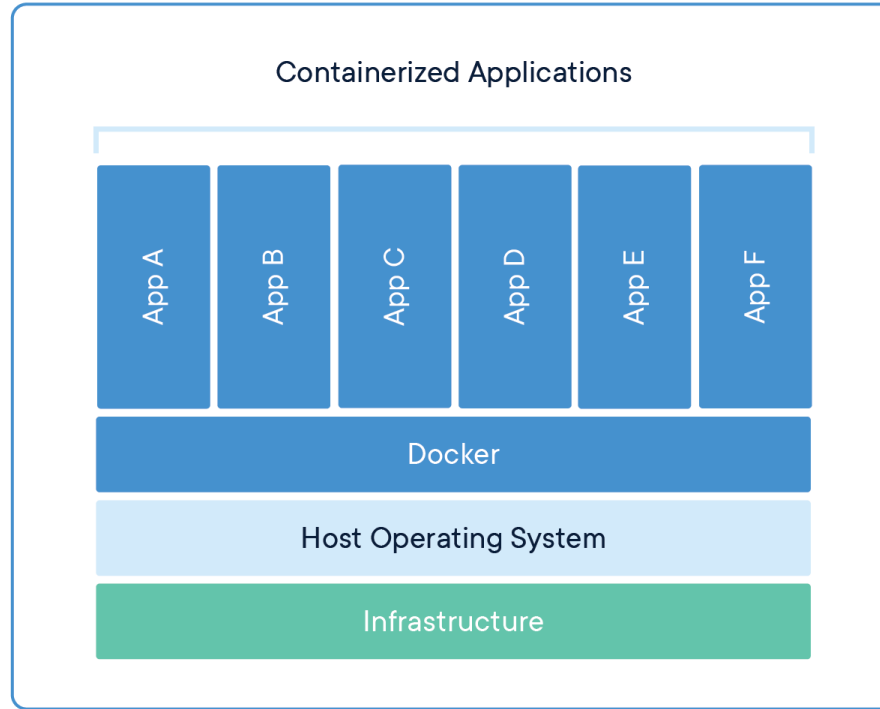
- Form of virtualization at the app packaging level (like virtual machines at the server level)
- Isolated from one another at the OS process layer (vs VM's which are isolated at the hardware abstraction layer)
- Images represent the packaging up of an application and its dependencies as a complete,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



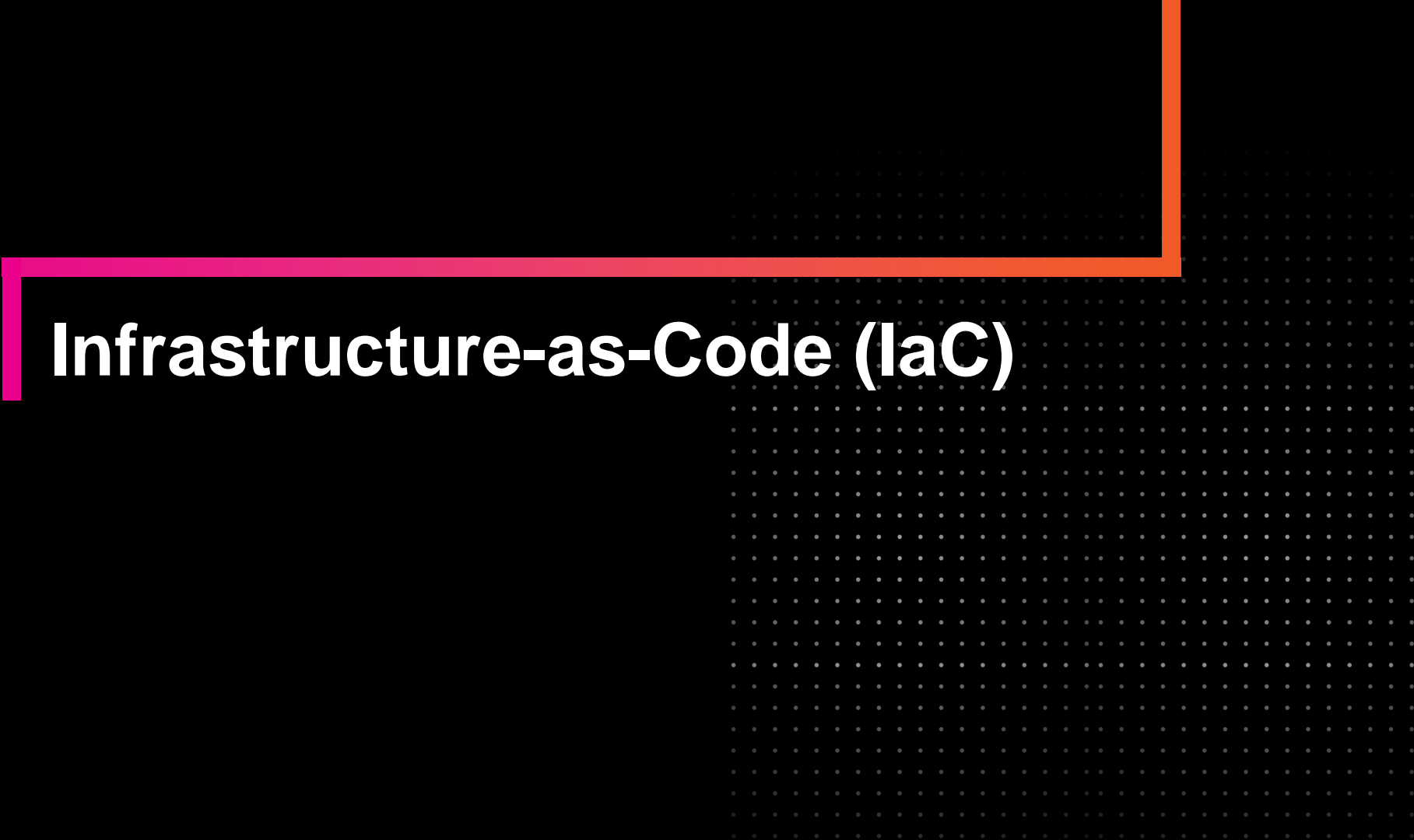
App Configuration



Container App Jobs



Container Apps



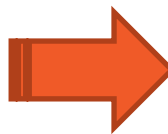
Infrastructure-as-Code (IaC)

The What and the Why



IaC – What is it?

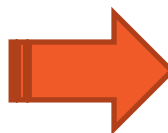
- As the name implies, the definition & configuration of our infrastructure IN code
- Instead of manually creating (inefficient) → automated in scripts that run “at the push of a button”





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



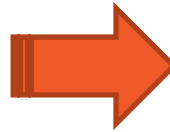
laC – Advantages?



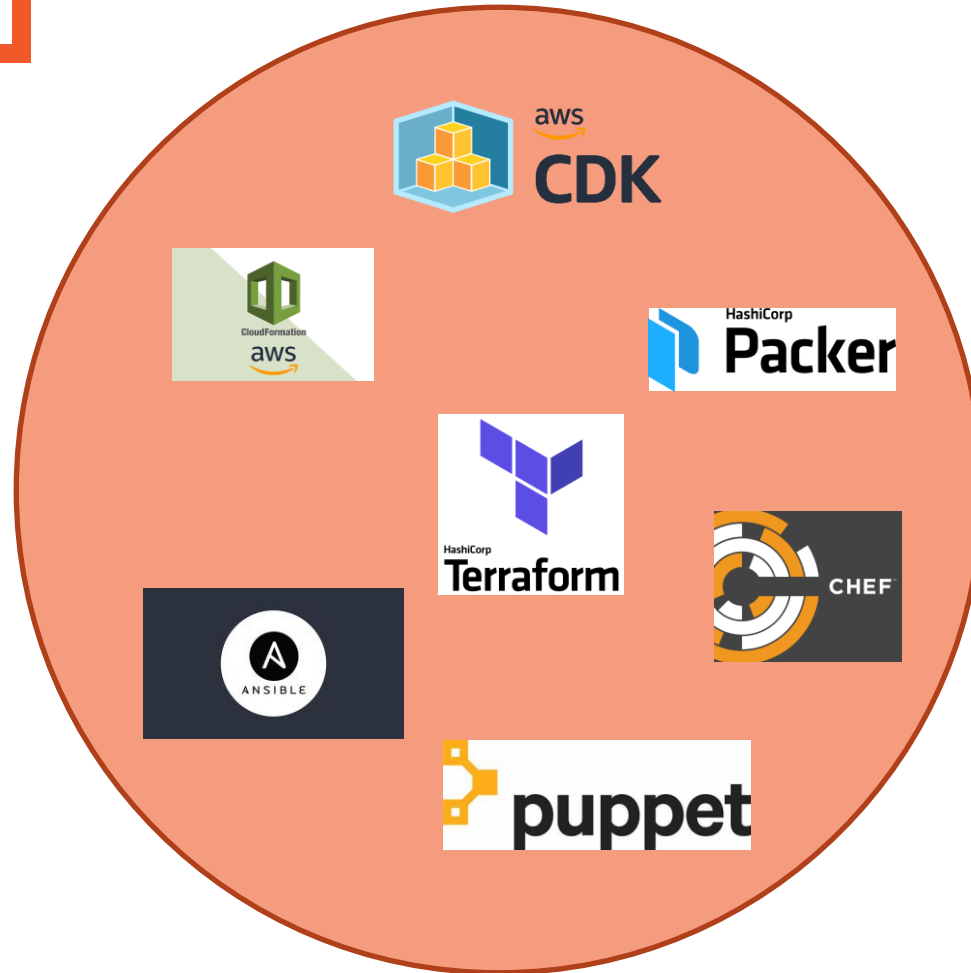
Testable

Repeatable

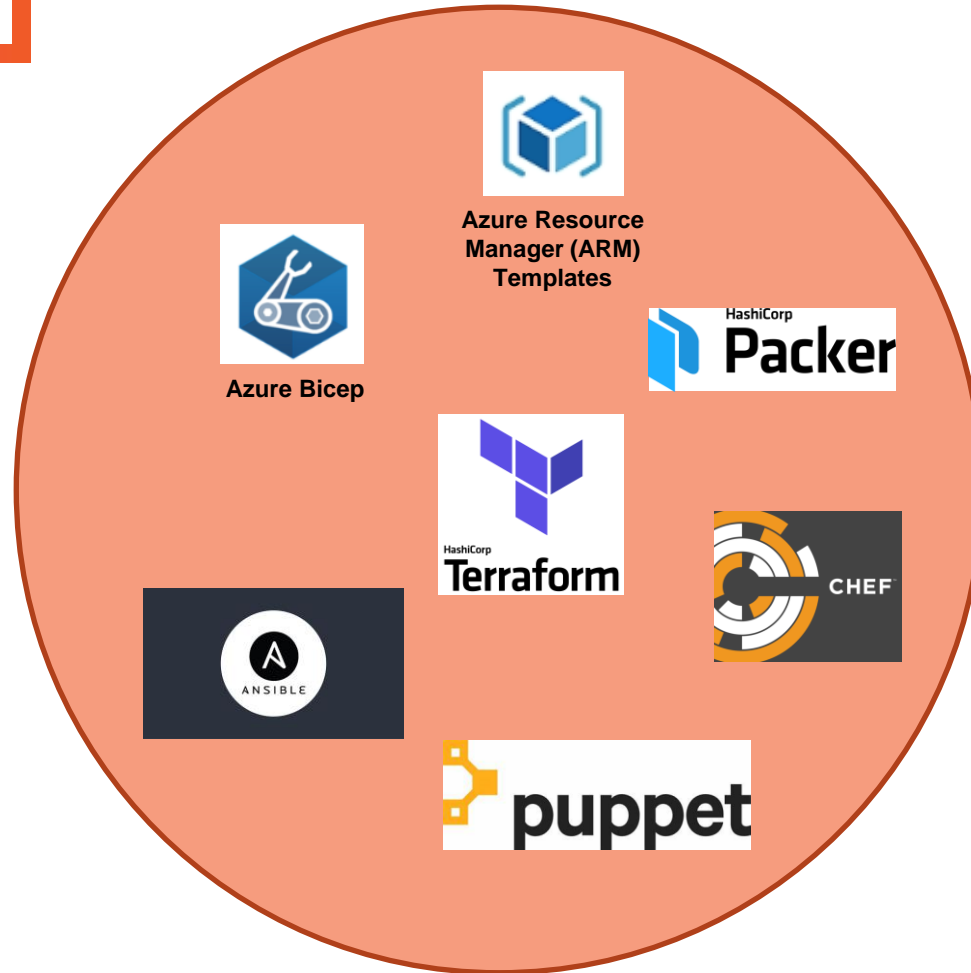
Auditable



IaC – AWS



IaC – Azure



Azure Bicep



Azure Resource
Manager (ARM)
Templates





Knowledge Check



Question #1

Q: This hosting option provides a “function” hosted in the Cloud that can be used to expose functionality using multiple languages, can be triggered in multiple ways, and provides a consumption-based costing model. Your choice?

1. IaaS
2. PaaS
3. Serverless
4. SaaS

Enter your answer in the chat...



Question #2

Q: This hosting option requires a higher degree of operational management on the part of the organization that chooses to use it for hosting resources in the Cloud. Your choice?

1. IaaS
2. PaaS
3. Serverless
4. SaaS

Enter your answer in the chat...



Question #3

Q: Which of the following is one of the Compute options available to you in AWS?

1. Function App
2. EC2
3. VPC
4. DynamoDB

Enter your answer in the chat...



Question #4

Q: Which of the following is NOT one of the Database options available to you in Azure?

1. Azure Cosmos DB
2. SQL Databases
3. SQL managed instances
4. Storage accounts

Enter your answer in the chat...



Question #5

Q: Which of the following is an advantage of IaC (Infrastructure-as-Code)?

1. Testability
2. Repeatability
3. Auditability
4. All of the above

Enter your answer in the chat...



Thank you!

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