

Deployment as a Service

Cloud Infrastructure Engineering

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Course Content

- Quick Check-In
- Dive into the basics of Deployment as a Service in AWS
- Explore the Deployment services in AWS
- Explore the different Deployment strategies

Time	What	How or Why
7:15pm - 7:45pm	Part 1 - Presentation	AWS Deployment Services
7:45pm - 8:05pm	Part 2 - Activity	AWS Deployment Services Activity
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8:10pm - 8:25pm	Part 3 - Activity	Hands-on
8:25pm - 8:40pm	Part 4 - Presentation	Deployment Strategies
8:40pm - 9:00pm	Part 5 - Activity	Deployment Strategies Activity
9:00pm - 10:00pm	Summary & Assignments	

Recap

- SDLC
 - Requirements > Planning > Design > Build > Testing > Deployment & Maintenance
- Deployments
 - Basic, Rolling, Blue-Green, Canary
- CI/CD
- Containerization
- Agile vs Waterfall
- Scrum

Self Study Check-In



Q1) What is deployment as a service?



Q2) What are the Deployment Services that you know available on AWS?



Q3) What are some Deployment Strategies that you know?

Lesson Overview

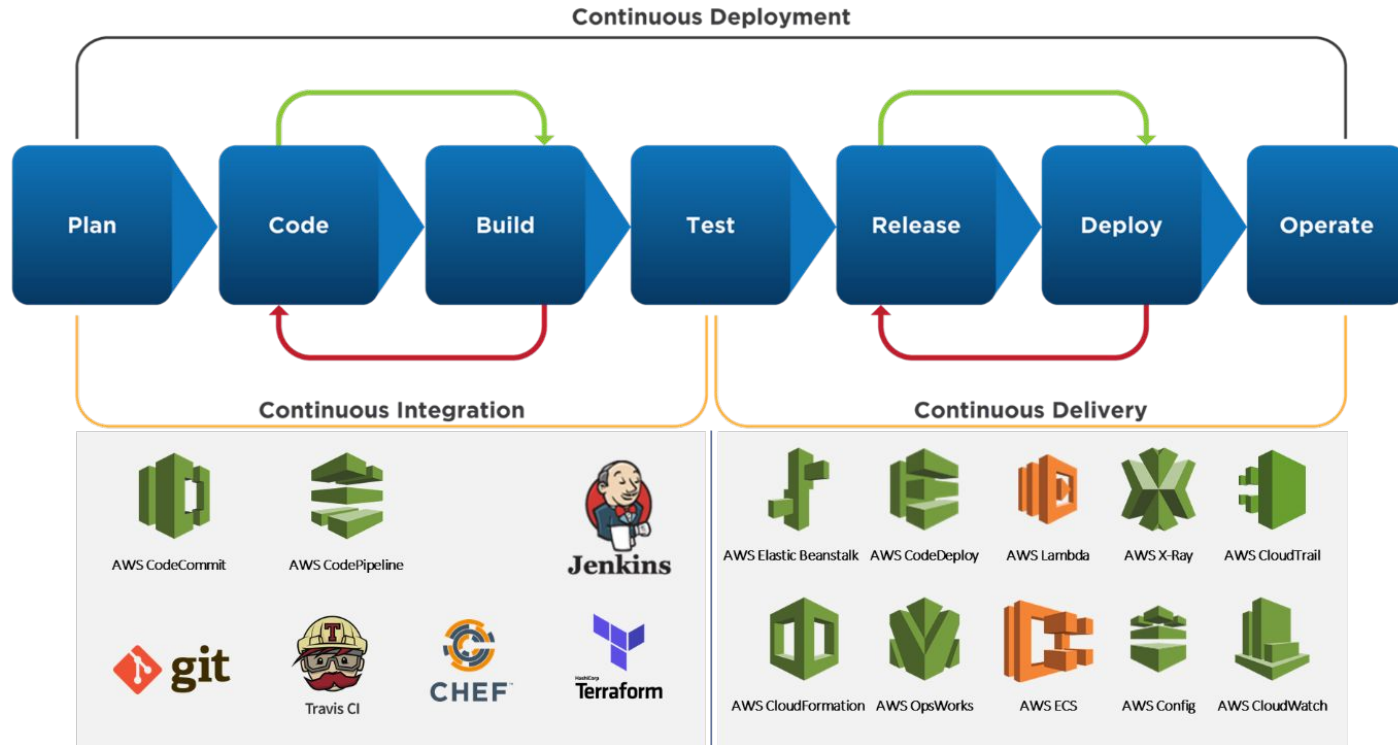


General Overview

AWS offers multiple options for provisioning infrastructure and deploying your applications.

Whether your application architecture is a simple three-tier web application or a complex set of workloads, AWS **offers deployment services** to meet the requirements of your application and your organization.

AWS lays out common features available in these deployment services, and articulates basic strategies for deploying and updating application stacks.



AWS Deployment Services



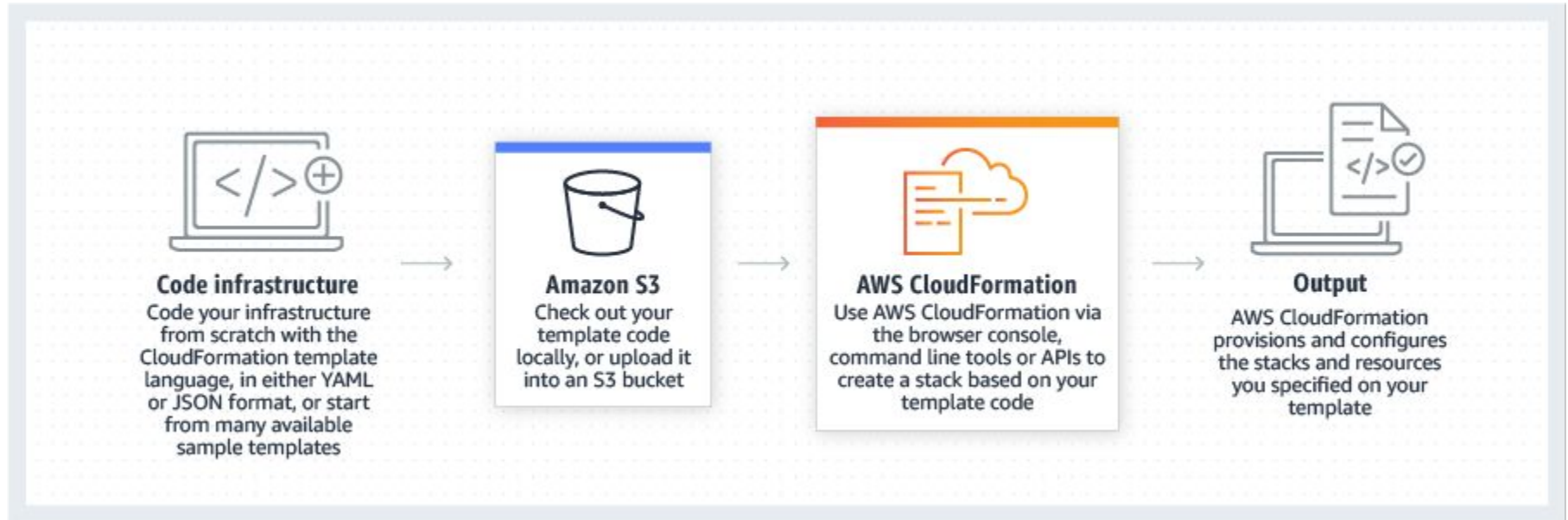
Summary

- AWS Cloudformation
- AWS Elastic Beanstalk
- AWS CodeCommit
- AWS CodePipeline
- AWS CodeBuild
- AWS CodeDeploy
- AWS OpsWork

CloudFormation

AWS CloudFormation is a service that **enables customers to provision and manage almost any AWS resource** using a custom template language expressed in **YAML or JSON**.

CloudFormation



CloudFormation

The screenshot displays the AWS CloudFormation console interface. At the top, the navigation bar includes the AWS logo, 'Services', a search bar, and a '[Option+S]' button. On the right side of the navigation bar are icons for notifications and help, along with the region 'Singapore' and the user 'luqmannurhakimtaj'. Below the navigation bar, the breadcrumb trail reads 'CloudFormation > Stacks > Create stack'. A left-hand sidebar lists the steps of the wizard: 'Step 1 Create stack' (active), 'Step 2 Specify stack details', 'Step 3 Configure stack options', and 'Step 4 Review'. The main content area is titled 'Create stack' and is divided into two sections. The first section, 'Prerequisite - Prepare template', explains that every stack is based on a template (JSON or YAML) and provides three options: 'Template is ready' (selected), 'Use a sample template', and 'Create template in Designer'. The second section, 'Specify template', explains that a template is a JSON or YAML file describing the stack's resources and properties. It offers two options for the template source: 'Amazon S3 URL' (selected) and 'Upload a template file'. Under the 'Amazon S3 URL' option, there is a text input field containing 'https://' and a label 'Amazon S3 URL' with the instruction 'Amazon S3 template URL'.

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Resource Groups & Tag Editor

CloudFormation > Stacks > Create stack

Step 1
Create stack

Step 2
Specify stack details

Step 3
Configure stack options

Step 4
Review

Create stack

Prerequisite - Prepare template

Prepare template
Every stack is based on a template. A template is a JSON or YAML file that contains configuration information about the AWS resources you want to include in the stack.

☒ Template is ready ☐ Use a sample template ☐ Create template in Designer

Specify template

A template is a JSON or YAML file that describes your stack's resources and properties.

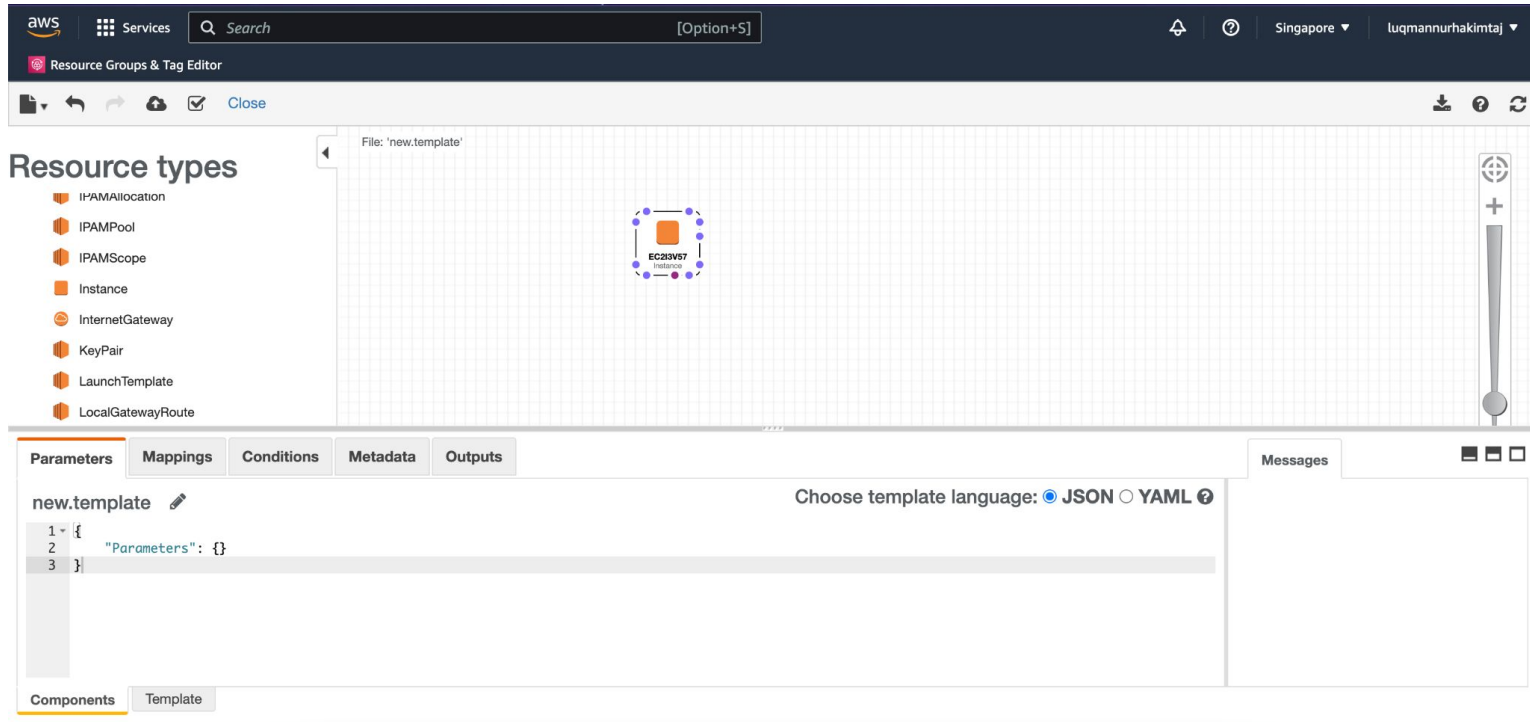
Template source
Selecting a template generates an Amazon S3 URL where it will be stored.

☒ Amazon S3 URL ☐ Upload a template file

Amazon S3 URL

Amazon S3 template URL

CloudFormation - Designer



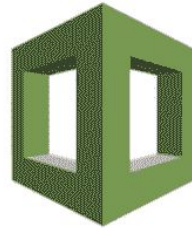
CloudFormation

Parameters and
Conditions

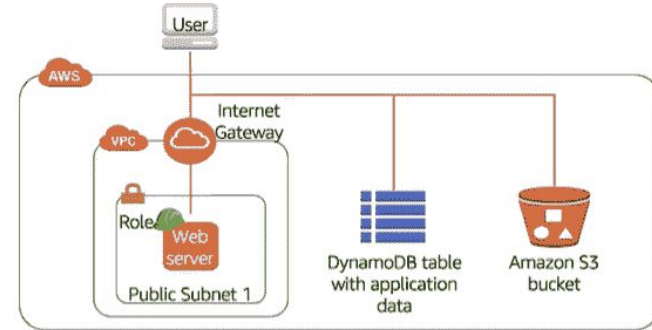


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"Ec2Instance" : {  
  "Type" : "AWS::EC2::Instance",  
  "Properties" : {  
    "KeyName" : "MyKeyPair",  
    "ImageId" : "ami-12345678",  
    "InstanceType" : "t2.micro"
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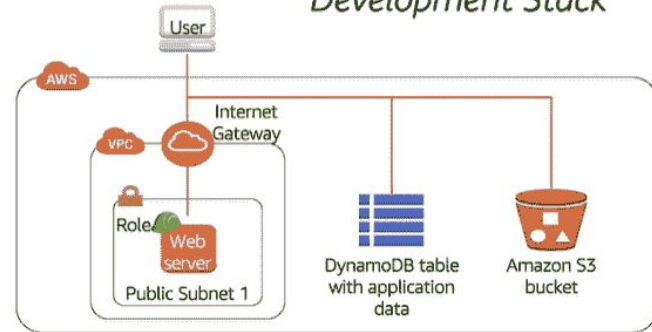
Same
Template



AWS
CloudFormation



Development Stack



Production Stack

CloudFormation

A CloudFormation template **creates infrastructure resources in a group called a “stack,”** and **allows you to define and customize all components needed** to operate your application while retaining full control of these resources.

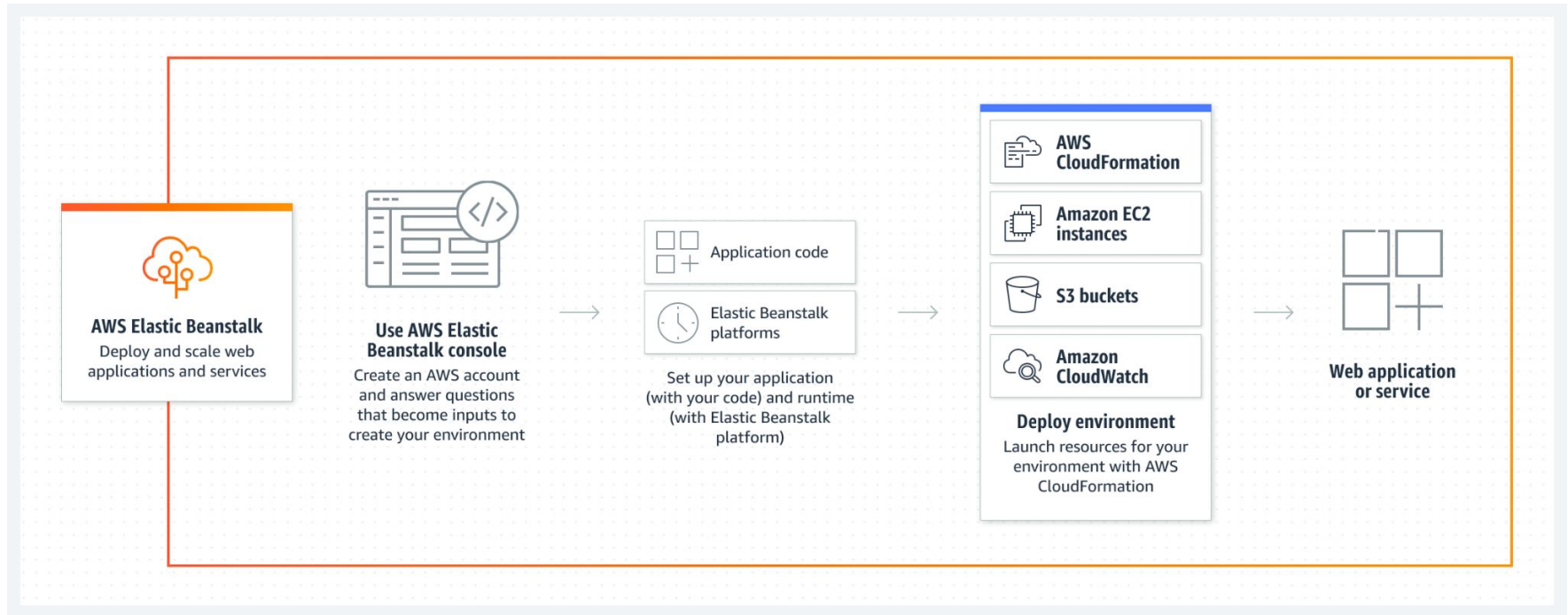
Using templates introduces the ability to implement version control on your infrastructure, and the **ability to quickly and reliably replicate your infrastructure.**

Elastic Beanstalk

AWS Elastic Beanstalk is an easy-to-use service for **deploying** and **scaling web applications and services** developed with Java, .NET, PHP, Node.js, Python, Ruby, Go, or Docker on familiar servers such as Apache, Nginx, Passenger, and IIS.

Elastic Beanstalk is a **complete application management solution**, and **manages all infrastructure and platform tasks on your behalf**.

Elastic Beanstalk



Elastic Beanstalk

The screenshot shows the AWS Elastic Beanstalk console interface. At the top is a dark navigation bar with the AWS logo, 'Services', a search bar, and a user profile. Below this is a sidebar with 'Elastic Beanstalk' selected, showing links for 'Environments', 'Applications', and 'Change history'. The main content area is titled 'Platform' and contains three dropdown menus for 'Platform', 'Platform branch', and 'Platform version', each with a placeholder text '-- Choose a platform --'. Below this is the 'Application code' section with two radio button options: 'Sample application' (selected) and 'Upload your code'. At the bottom right are three buttons: 'Cancel', 'Configure more options', and 'Create application'.

Platform

Platform
-- Choose a platform --

Platform branch
-- Choose a platform branch --

Platform version
-- Choose a platform version --

Application code

☒ **Sample application**
Get started right away with sample code.

☐ **Upload your code**
Upload a source bundle from your computer or copy one from Amazon S3.

Cancel Configure more options Create application

Elastic Beanstalk

With Elastic Beanstalk, you can **quickly deploy, manage, and scale applications** without the operational burden of managing infrastructure.

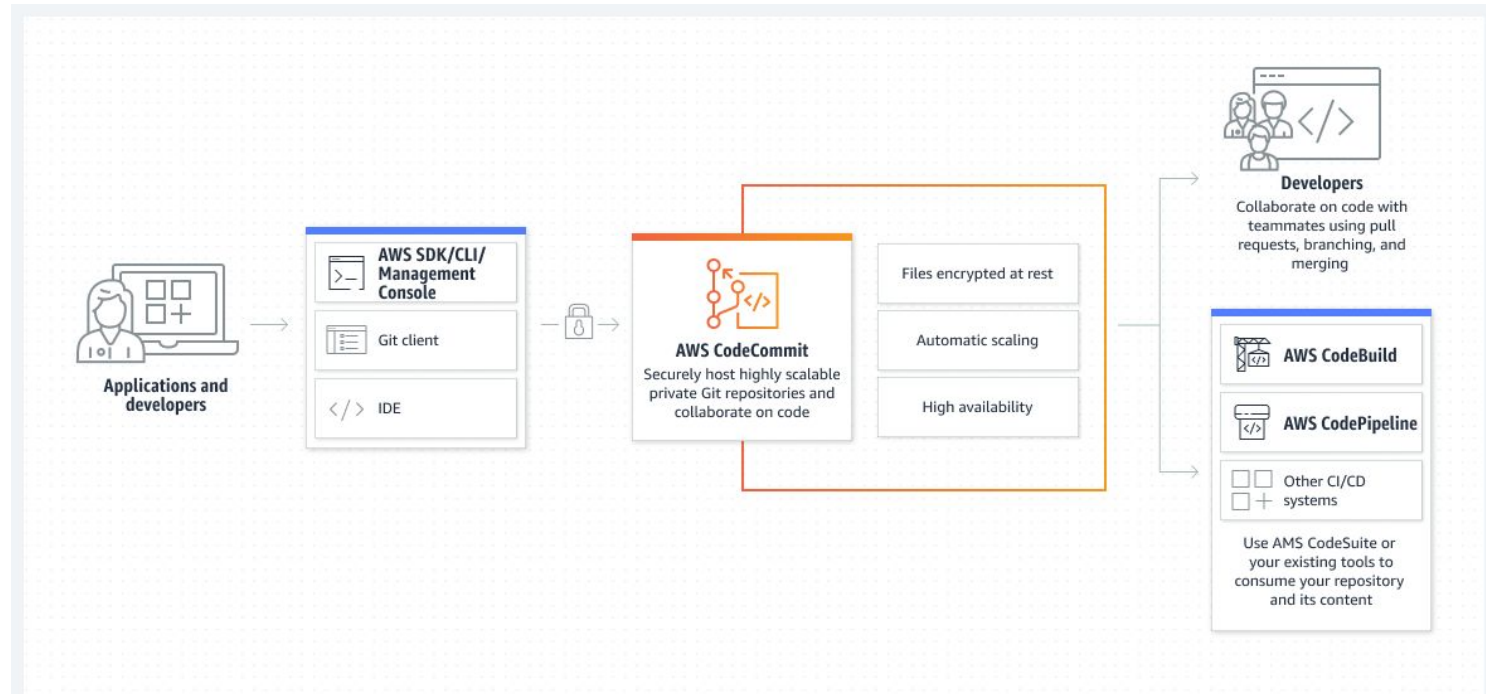
Elastic Beanstalk **reduces management complexity** for web applications, making it a good choice for organizations that are new to AWS or wish to deploy a web application as quickly as possible.

CodeCommit

AWS CodeCommit is a **secure, highly scalable, fully managed source control service that hosts private Git repositories.**

Alternatives include GitHub and Bitbucket.

CodeCommit

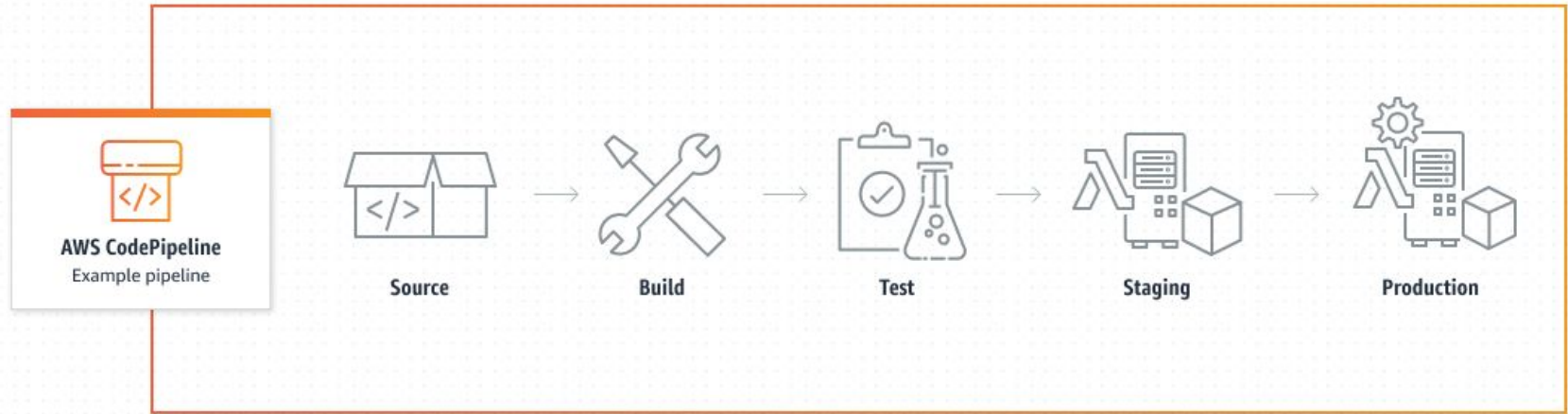


CodePipeline

AWS CodePipeline is a **fully managed continuous delivery service** that helps you automate your release pipelines for fast and reliable application and infrastructure updates.

Alternatives include Jenkins and Gitlab.

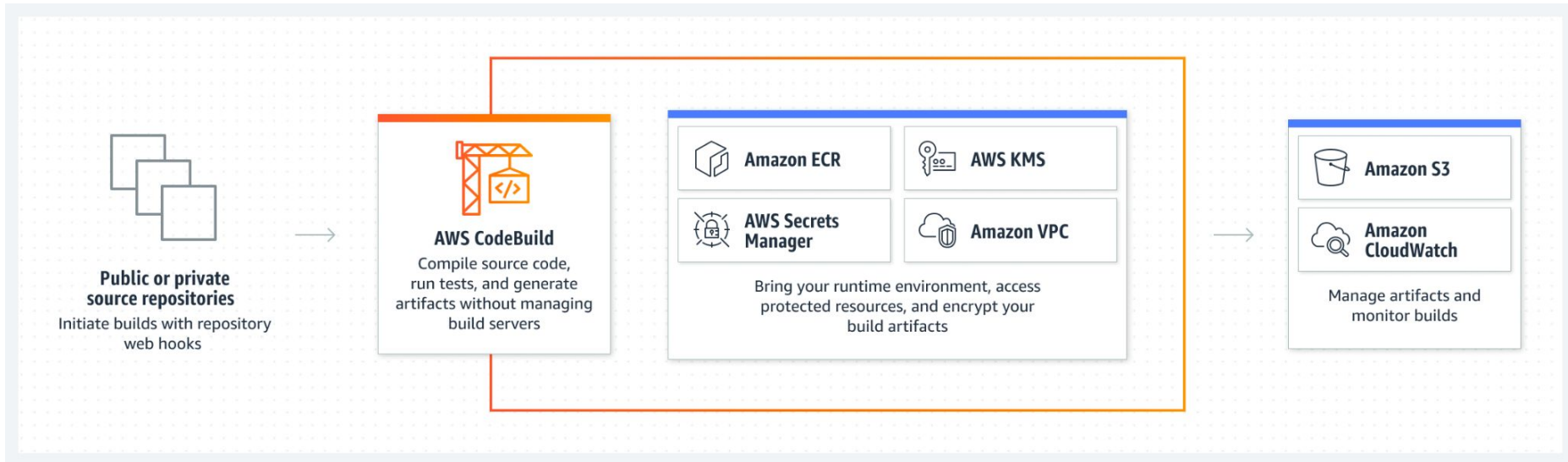
CodePipeline



CodeBuild

AWS CodeBuild is a **fully managed continuous integration service** that compiles source code, runs tests, and produces ready-to-deploy software packages.

CodeBuild



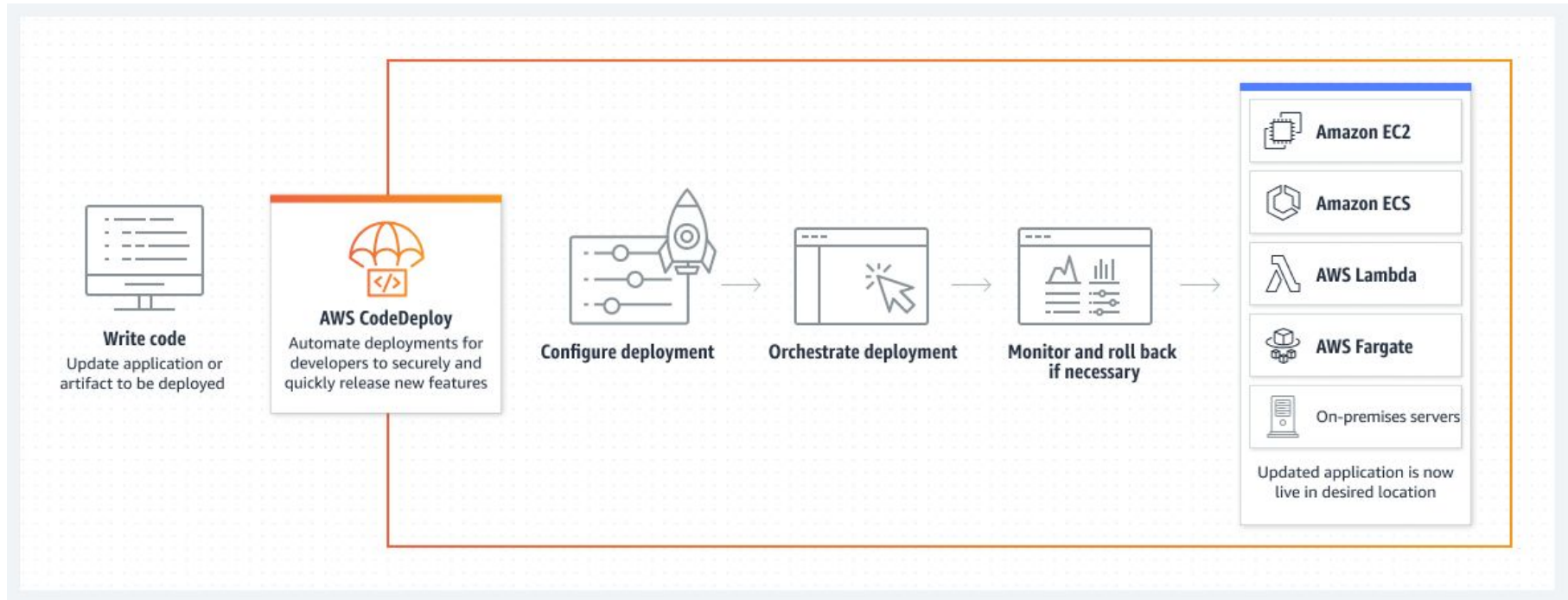
CodeDeploy

AWS CodeDeploy is a **fully managed deployment service** that automates application deployments to compute services.

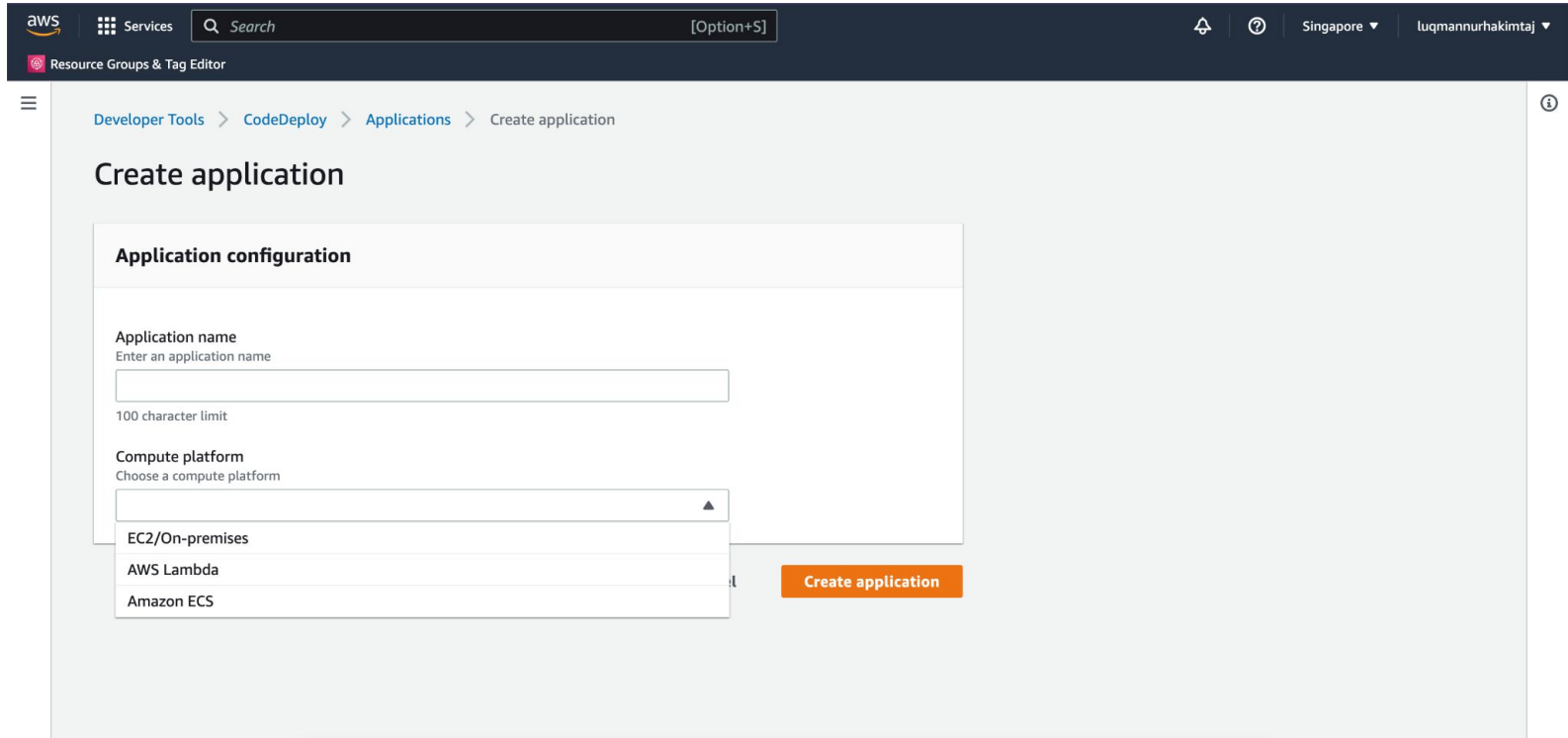
Organizations can use CodeDeploy to **automate deployments** of an application and **remove error prone manual operations** from the deployment process.

CodeDeploy can be used with a wide variety of application content including code, serverless functions, configuration files, and more.

CodeDeploy



CodeDeploy



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aws Services Search [Option+S]

Resource Groups & Tag Editor

Developer Tools > CodeDeploy > Applications > Create application

Create application

Application configuration

Application name
Enter an application name

100 character limit

Compute platform
Choose a compute platform

- EC2/On-premises
- AWS Lambda
- Amazon ECS

Create application

Code Series

The screenshot shows the AWS Management Console interface for the AWS CodeBuild service. The top navigation bar includes the AWS logo, a search bar, and the user's account information. The left sidebar shows the 'Developer Tools' section with 'CodeBuild' selected. The main content area features the 'AWS CodeBuild' title, a description of the service, and a 'Create project' button. The bottom section shows 'How it works' and 'Pricing (US)'.

Developer Tools

CodeBuild

- Source • CodeCommit
- Artifacts • CodeArtifact
- ▼ Build • CodeBuild
 - Getting started**
 - Build projects
 - Build history
 - Report groups
 - Report history
 - Account metrics
- ▼ Deploy • CodeDeploy
 - Getting started
 - Deployments
 - Applications
 - Deployment configurations
 - On-premises instances

Developer Tools

AWS CodeBuild

Build and test code with elastic scaling. Pay only for the build time you use.

AWS CodeBuild is a fully managed continuous integration service that compiles source code, runs tests, and produces software packages that are ready to deploy. With CodeBuild, you don't need to provision, manage, and scale your own build servers. CodeBuild scales continuously and processes multiple builds concurrently, so your builds are not left waiting in a queue.

Create AWS CodeBuild project

Get started with AWS CodeBuild by creating your first build project.

[Create project](#)

Pricing (US)

AWS CodeBuild uses simple pay-as-you-go pricing. There are no upfront costs or minimum fees. You

How it works

OpsWork

OpsWorks is a **configuration management service** that **enables customers to construct, manage, and operate a wide variety of application architectures**, from simple web applications to highly complex custom applications.

Organizations **deploying applications** with OpsWorks use the automation platforms **Chef** or **Puppet** to manage key operational activities like server provisioning, software configurations, package installations, database setups, scaling, and code deployments.

OpsWork

AWS OpsWorks provides three solutions to configure your infrastructure



OpsWorks Stacks

Define, group, provision, deploy, and operate your applications in AWS by using Chef in local mode.

[Go to OpsWorks Stacks](#)

[Learn more about OpsWorks Stacks](#)



OpsWorks for Chef Automate

Create Chef servers that include Chef Automate premium features, and use the Chef DK or any Chef tooling to manage them.

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OpsWorks for Puppet Enterprise

Create Puppet servers that include Puppet Enterprise features. Inspect, deliver, update, monitor, and secure your infrastructure.

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Activity

Question	Answer
What is your use case	<i>Answer here</i>
What is your Deployment Services that you choose	<i>Answer here</i>
What is benefit of that Deployment Services	<i>Answer here</i>
What is the second option that you will choose	<i>Answer here</i>

Deployment Strategies



Deployment Methodologies

- Basic Deployment
- Rolling Update/ Deployment
- Blue-Green Deployment
- Canary Deployment

Credits:

<https://www.harness.io/blog/blue-green-canary-deployment-strategies>



Basic Deployment

In a basic deployment, **all nodes** within a target environment are **updated at the same time** with a **new service or artifact version**.

Because of this, basic deployments are not outage-proof and they slow down rollback processes or strategies. Of all the deployment strategies shared, it is the riskiest.

Basic Deployment



Basic Deployment

Pros:

The benefits of this strategy are that it is **simple, fast, and cheap**.

Use this strategy if 1) your application service is **not business, mission, or revenue-critical**, or 2) your deployment is to a lower environment, during off-hours, or **with a service that is not in use**.

Basic Deployment

Cons:

Of all the deployment strategies shared, it is the **riskiest** and **does not fall into best practices**.

Basic deployments are **not outage-proof** and do not provide for easy rollbacks.

Rolling Deployment

A rolling deployment is a deployment strategy that updates running instances of an application with the new release.

All nodes in a target environment are **incrementally updated** with the service or artifact version in **integer N batches**.

Rolling Deployment

State 0



State 1



State 2



Final State



Rolling Deployment

Pros:

The benefits of a rolling deployment are that it is relatively simple to roll back, **less risky than a basic deployment**, and the implementation is **simple**.

Rolling Deployment

Cons:

Since nodes are updated in batches, rolling deployments require services to **support both new and old versions of an artifact.**

Verification of an application deployment at every incremental change also **makes this deployment slow.**

Blue-Green Deployment

Blue-green deployment starts by having the **original environment plus a duplicate environment**. This enables you to **preserve the old environment** while deploying the new application simultaneously.

Once the new application is deployed, make sure that everything runs properly. When you've determined that the **new environment is free of issues**, you can switch back to the new environment and then end the old environment.

Blue-Green Deployment



Blue-Green Deployment

Pros:

One of the benefits of the blue-green deployment is that it is **simple, fast, well-understood, and easy to implement**.

Rollback is also **straightforward**, because you can simply flip traffic back to the old environment in case of any issues.

Blue-green deployments are therefore not as risky compared to other deployment strategies.

Blue-Green Deployment

Cons:

Replicating a production environment can be complex and expensive, especially when working with microservices.

Quality assurance and user acceptance testing **may not identify all of the anomalies or regressions either**, and so shifting all user traffic at once can present risks.

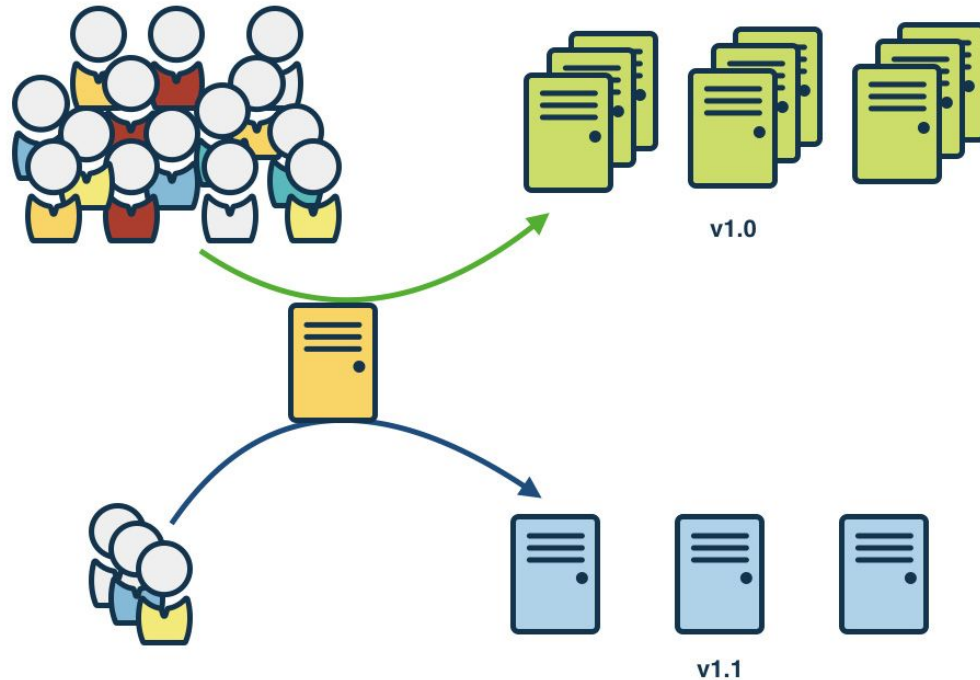
Canary Deployment

A canary deployment is a deployment strategy that **releases an application or service incrementally to a subset of users**.

All infrastructure in a target environment is updated in small phases (e.g: 2%, 25%, 75%, 100%).

A canary release is the **lowest risk-prone**, compared to all other deployment strategies, because of this control.

Canary Deployment



Canary Deployment

Pros:

Canary deployments allow organizations to **test in production with real users** and use cases and **compare different service versions** side by side.

It's **cheaper** than a blue-green deployment because it does not require two production environments.

And finally, it is **fast and safe to trigger a rollback** to a previous version of an application.

Canary Deployment

Cons:

Drawbacks to canary deployments involve **testing** in production and the implementations needed.

Scripting a canary release can be complex: manual verification or testing can take time, and the required monitoring and instrumentation for testing in production may involve additional research.

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Activity

Learner:

- Clean up AWS.
- Remove/delete/terminate all service/ resources that created.

Instructor

- Clean up AWS.
- Remove/delete/terminate all service/ resources that created.
- Check the AWS account after learner clean up.

What's Next?

