

Cloud Native Buildpacks for the Absolute beginners - HandsOn





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Puppet for the Absolute
Beginners – Hands-On



The Ultimate Linux Bootcamp for
DevOps SRE & Cloud Engineers



Practical Kubernetes –
Beyond CKA and CKAD



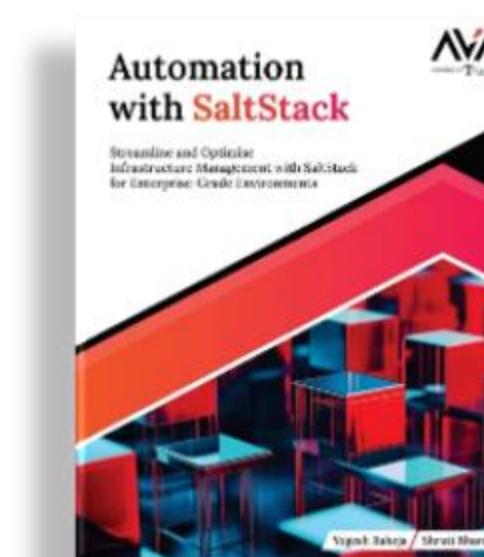
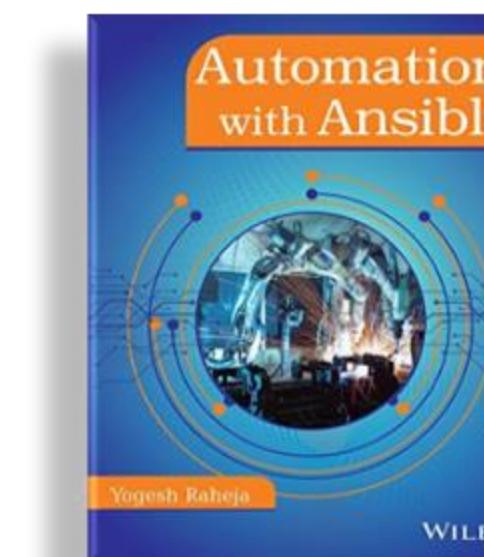
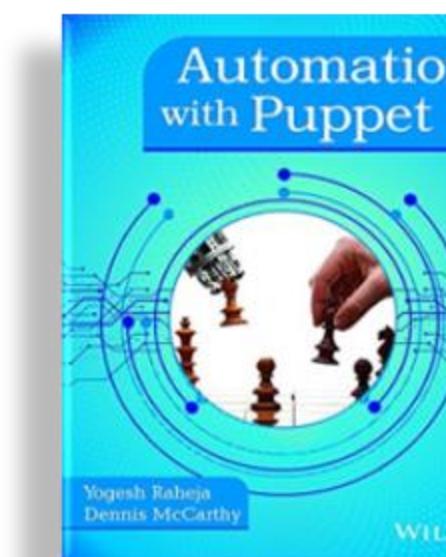
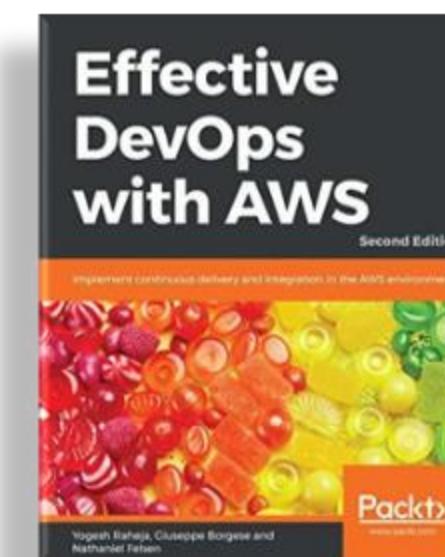
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Kubernetes and
Cloud Native Associate

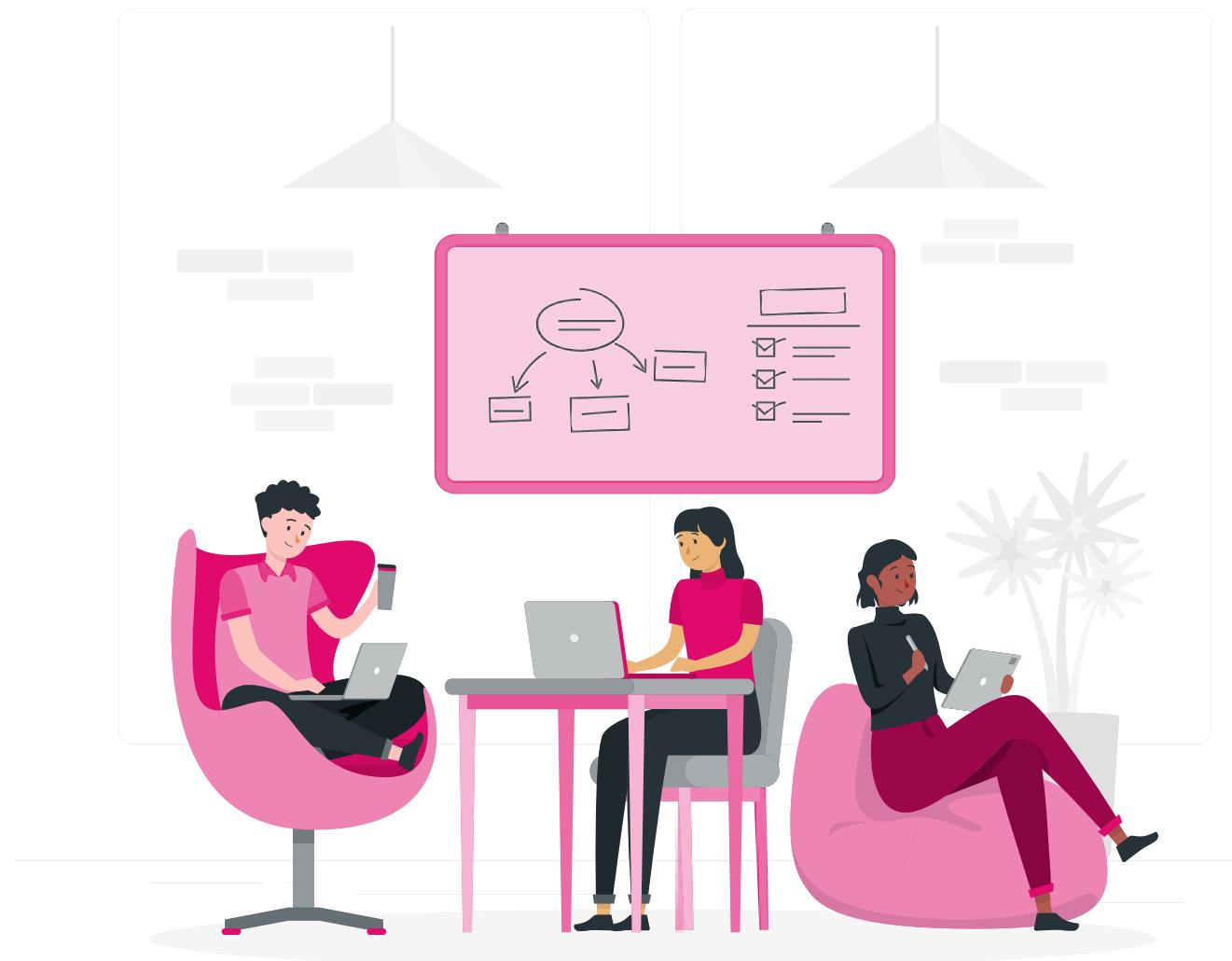


Mastering Docker Essentials
Hands-on





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Buildpack fundamentals

The key terminologies

Pack CLI

*Building various application images
using Cloud Native Buildpacks*

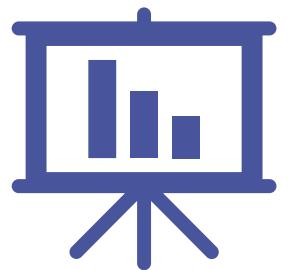
*Developing your own
Buildpacks and Builders*

*Kubernetes integrations with kpack to
build container images*

Course Overview



Lectures

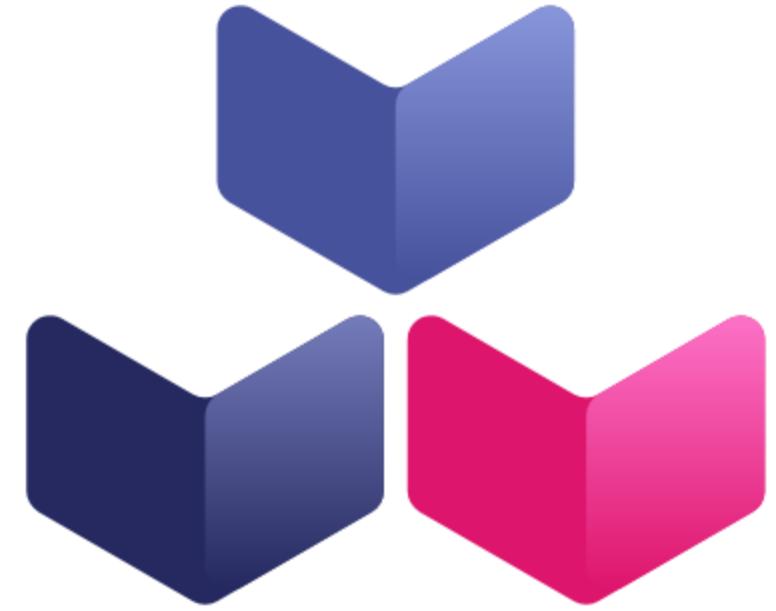


Demonstrations

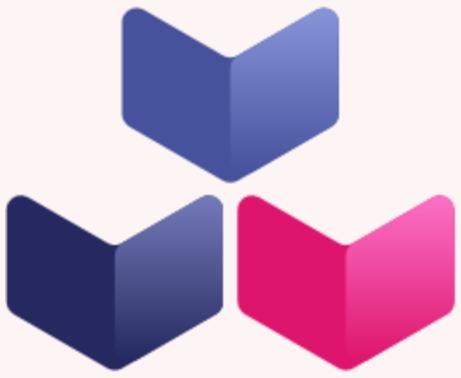


Practice Tests

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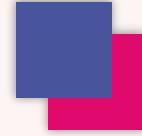
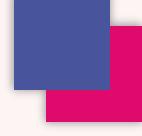
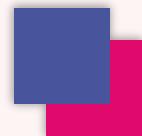
**Cloud Native Buildpacks in
production environments**



Buildpacks

Buildpacks

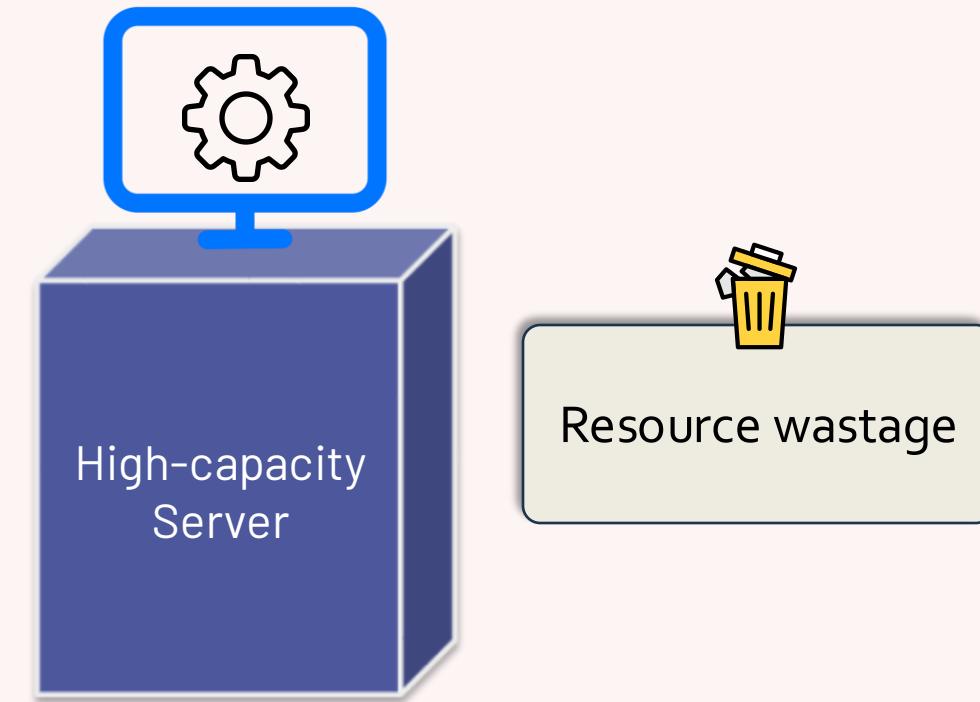
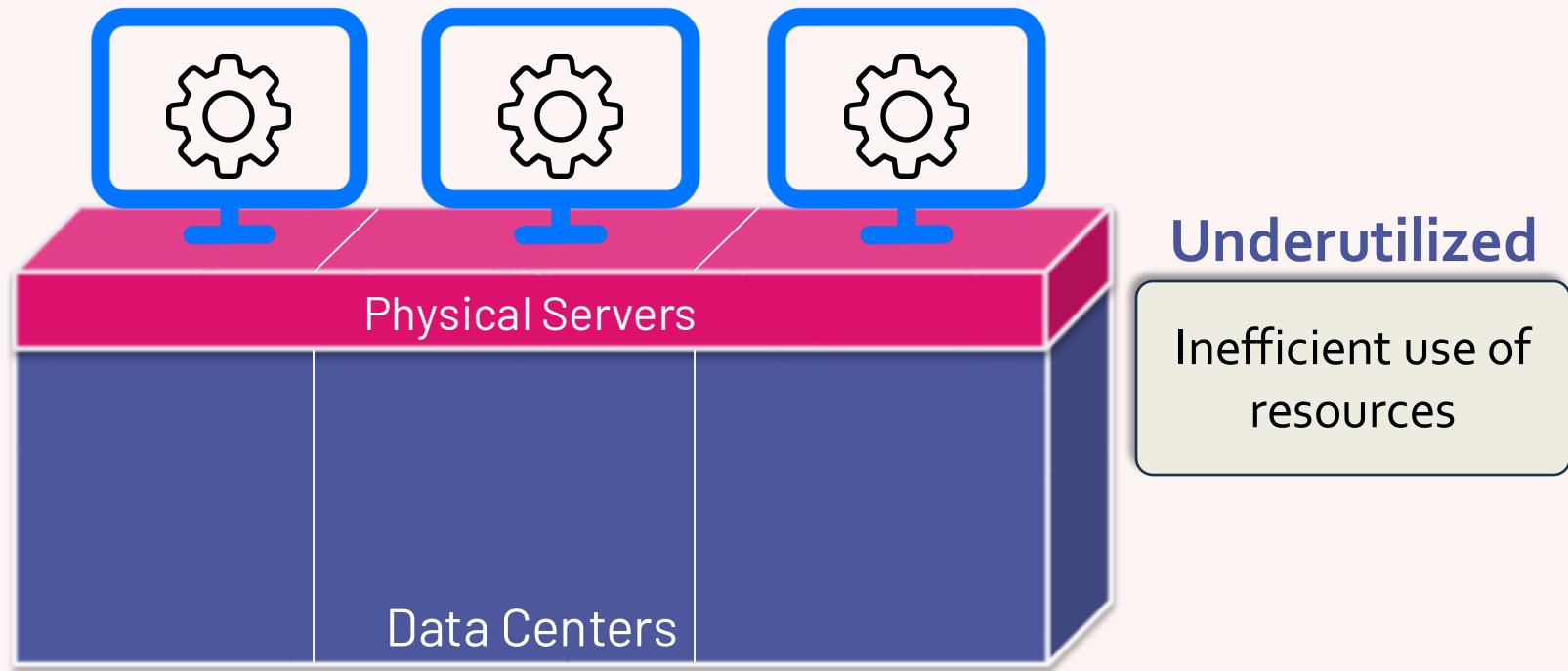


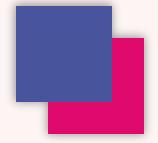
-  Container Images
-  History, Key features, and Benefits of Cloud Native Buildpacks
-  Official Documentation

Getting Started with Container Images



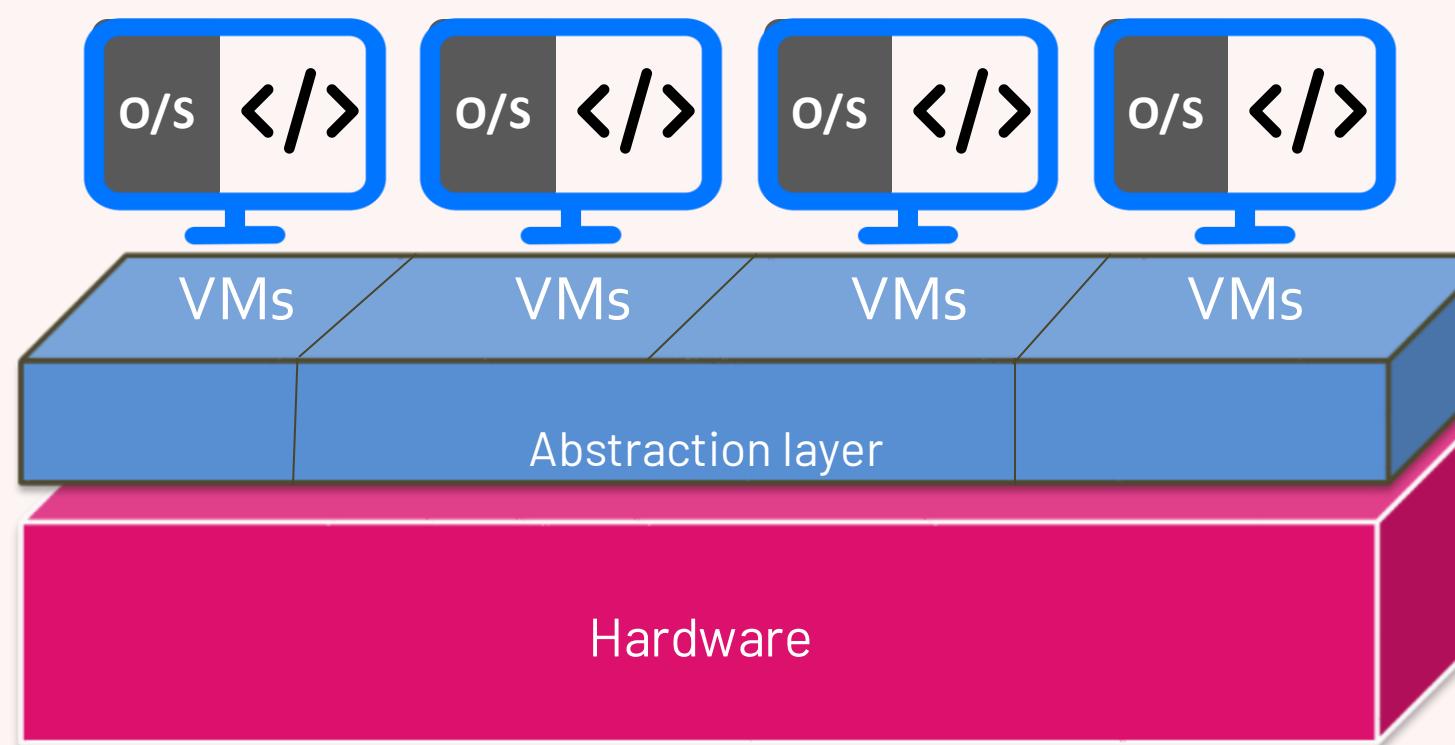
Container Images





Virtualization

Improves resource utilization by running multiple workloads



- ✓ Processors
- ✓ Memory
- ✓ Storage

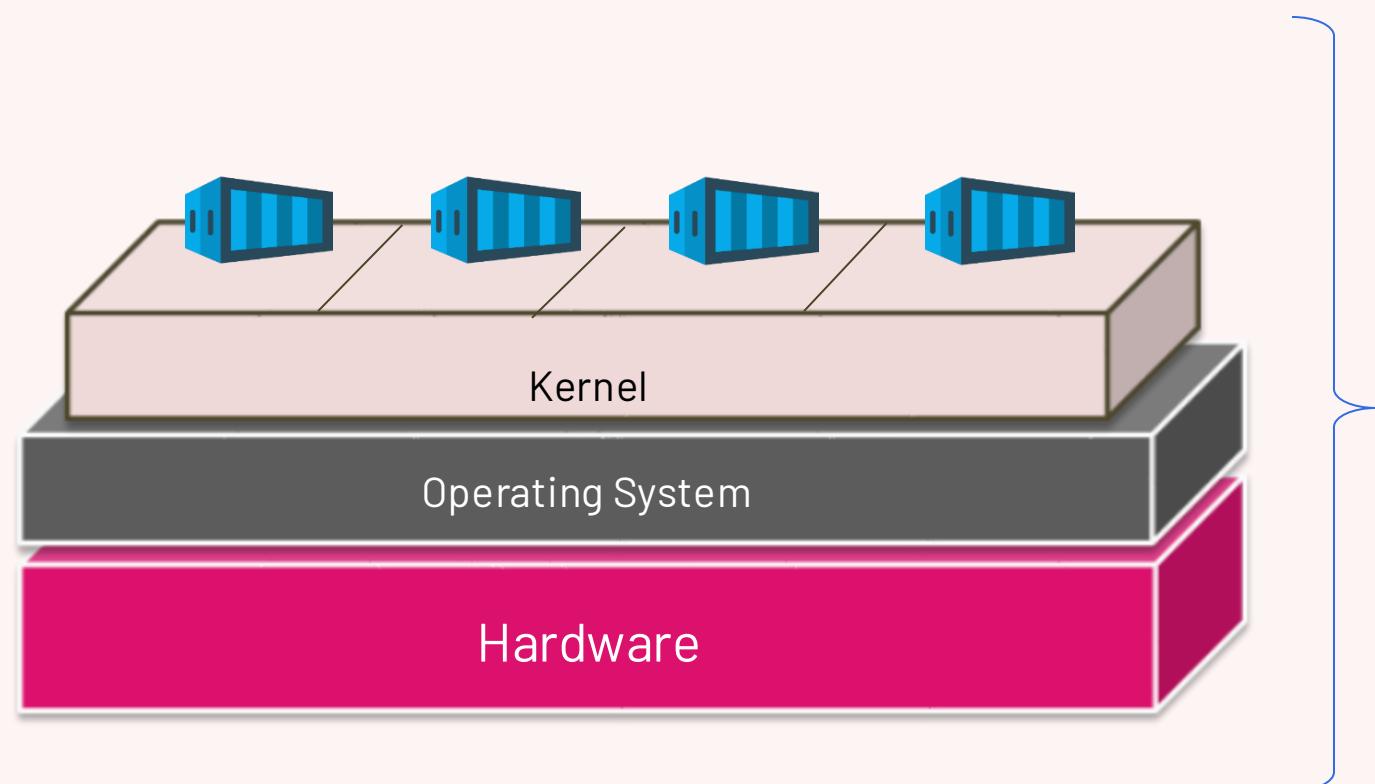


VMs

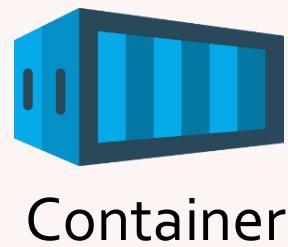
- Time consuming
- Resource-intensive

Container

- Containers are lightweight and modular
- They package code with dependencies
- Ensures portability and isolation



Operating System
Virtualization



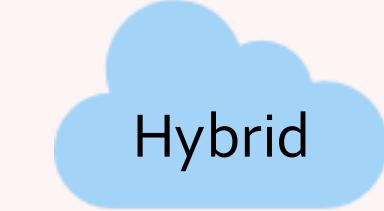
Container



Public



Private

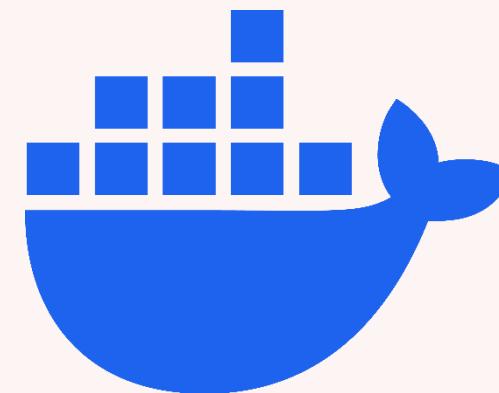


Hybrid

- ✓ Reduce deployment time
- ✓ Resource consumption

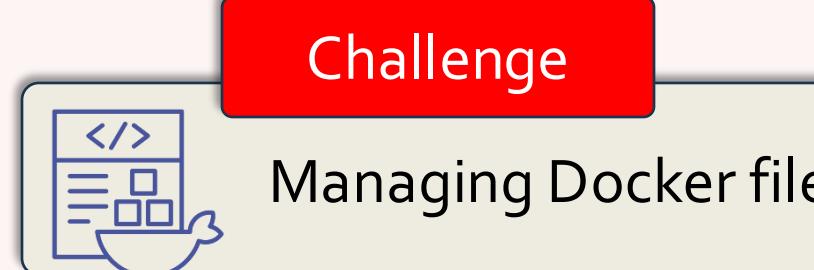


- Most widely used solutions
- Provides more than just a runtime
- Complete container lifecycle platform with an intuitive UI



Docker

Challenge

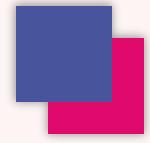


Container Image

Base Images

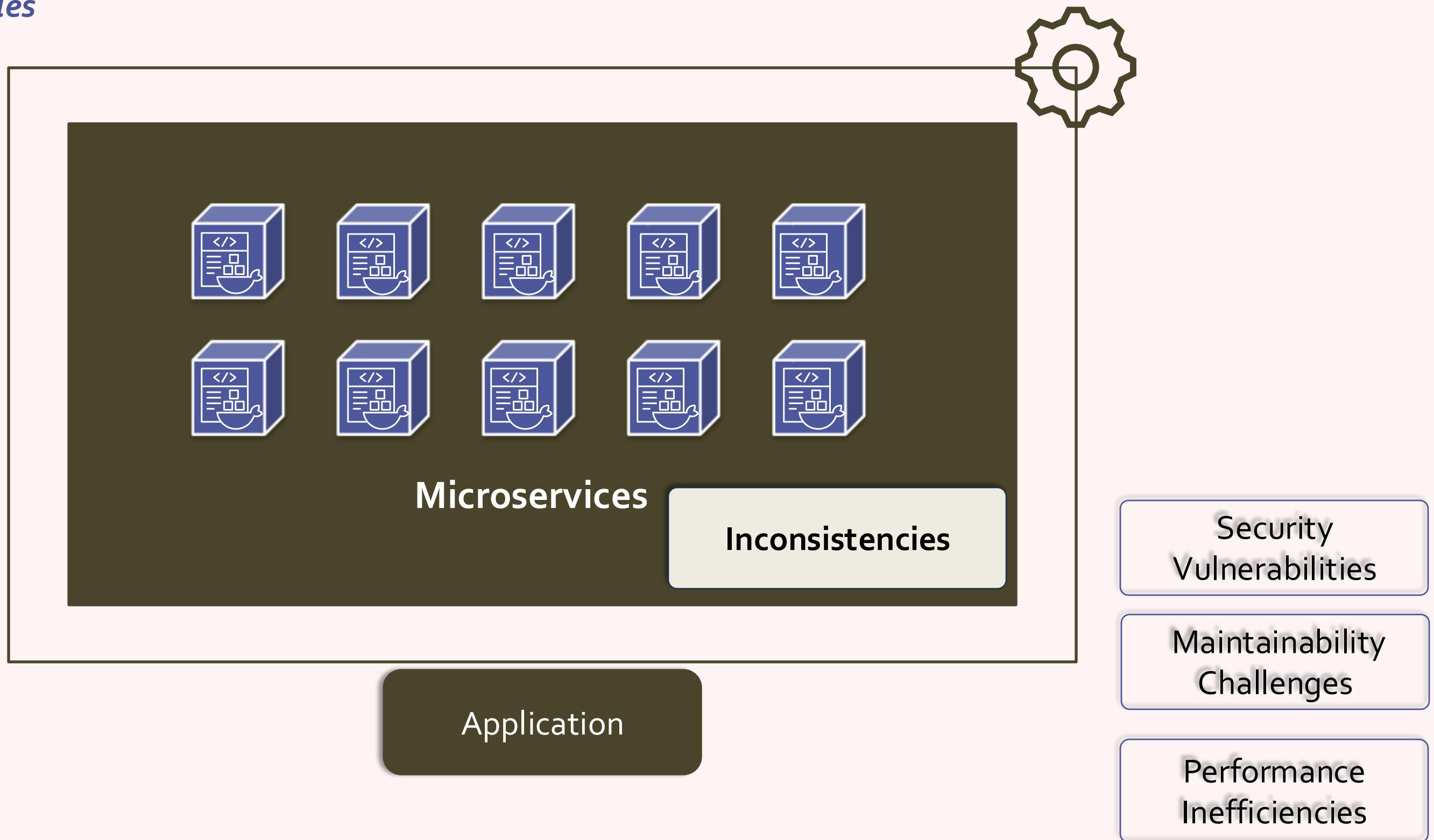
Dependencies

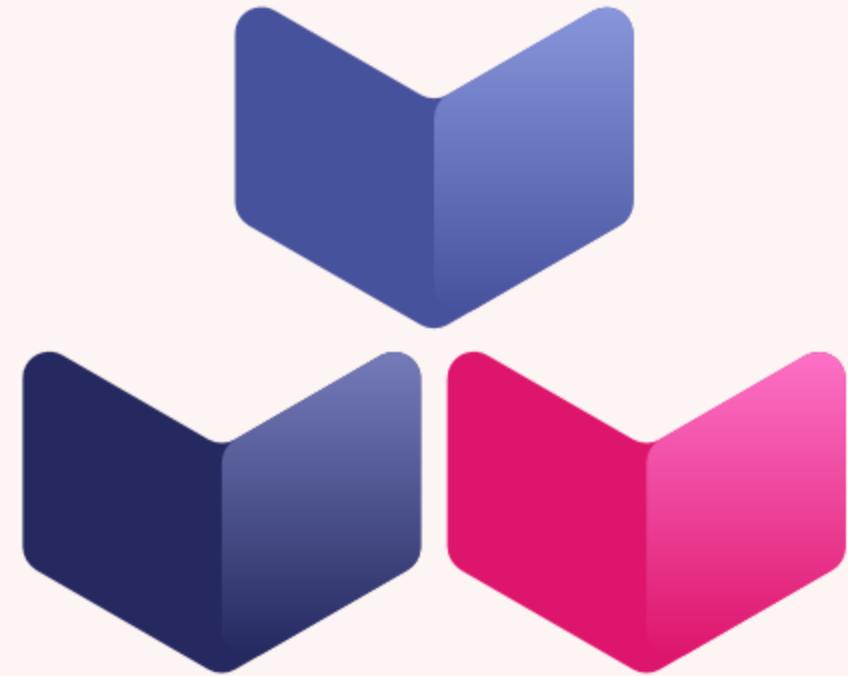
Configurations



Docker

- **10's to 100's** of such *applications* with **100's to 1000's** of *microservices* and their respective *dockerfiles*

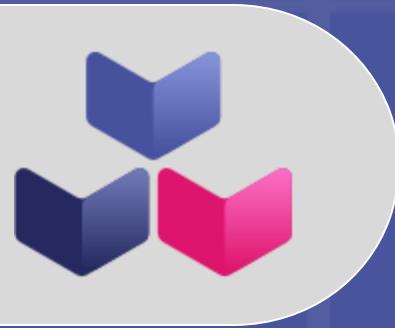




Cloud Native Buildpacks Or CNB's Safeguards

Buildpacks address these issues by automating the process of converting source code into container images in a standardized and secure manner

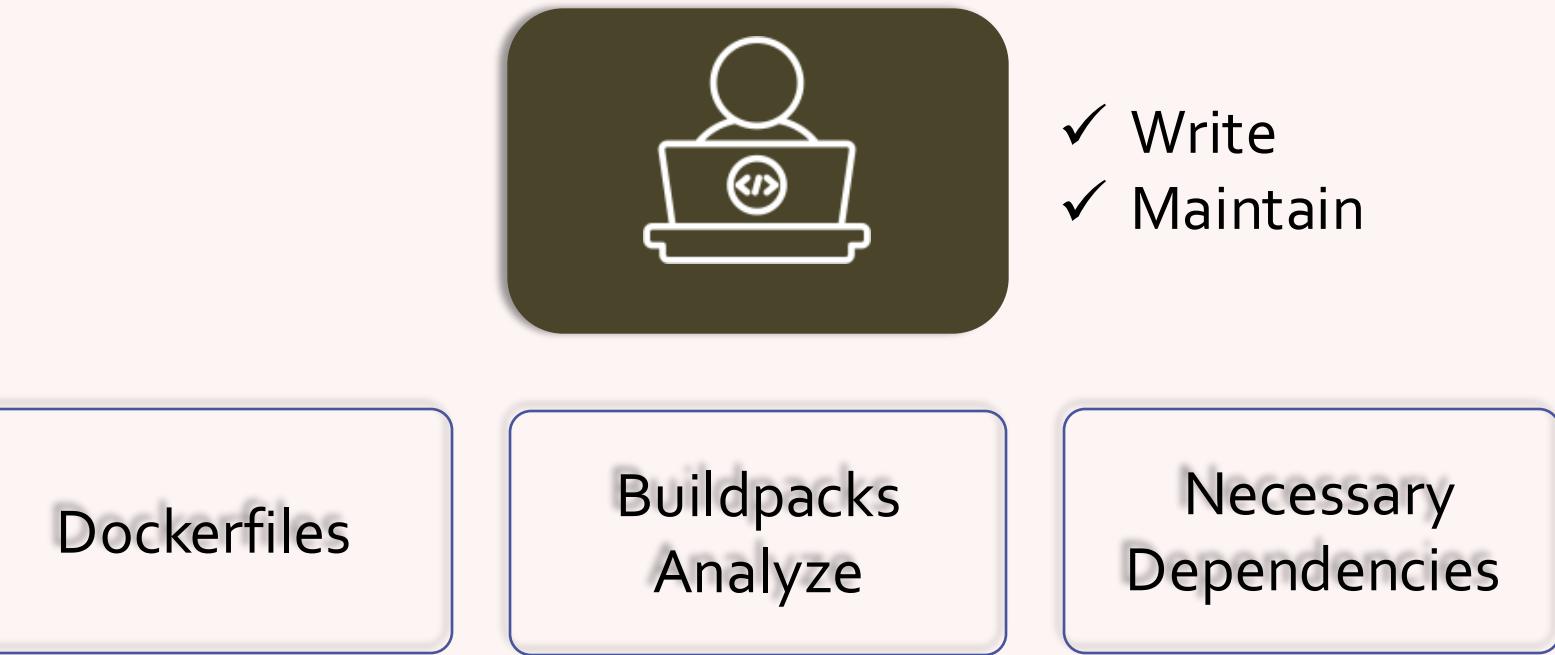
What Are Buildpacks and Their Origin



What Are Buildpacks



Transforming application source code into a container image



Origin of Buildpacks



Streamline the process of deploying applications by automating the configuration of runtime environments



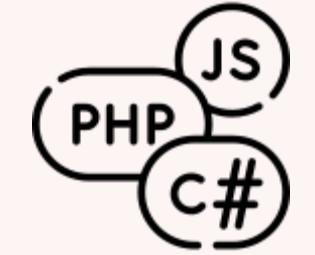
Manage and configure all dependencies manually





Origin of Buildpacks

- Buildpacks effectively eliminated much of this complexity



Programming
Language



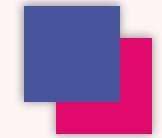
Framework



Libraries



- ✓ Focus on writing code
- ✓ Underlying infrastructure



Origin of Buildpacks



Cloud Foundry



Pivotal Cloud
Foundry



GitLab



Google App
Engine

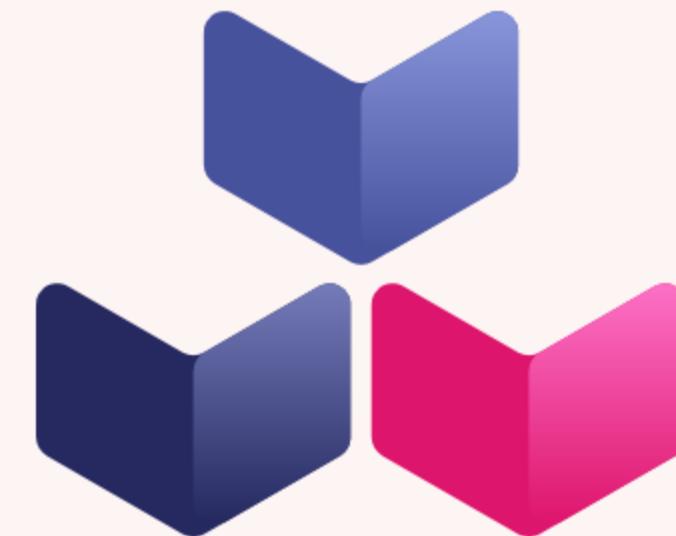
Cloud Foundry adopted buildpacks to support multiple languages and frameworks with minimal configuration



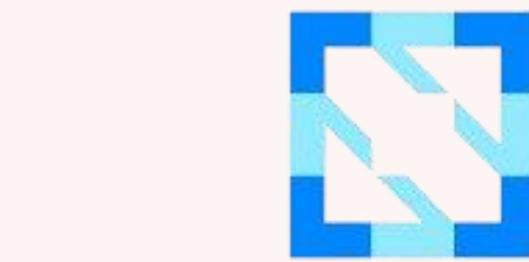
Origin of Buildpacks



Kubernetes
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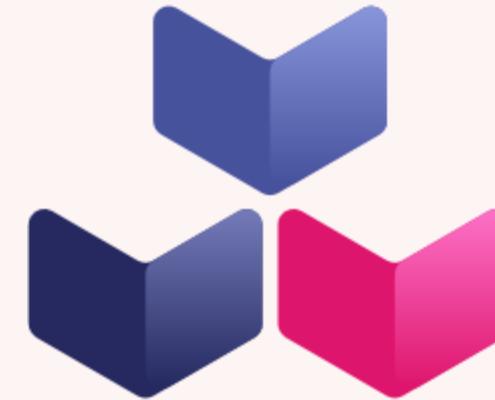
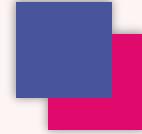


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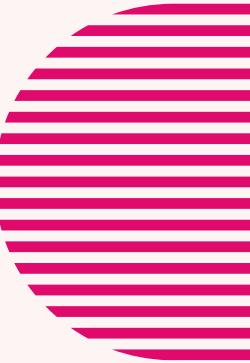


CLOUD NATIVE
COMPUTING FOUNDATION

October 2018,



Buildpacks

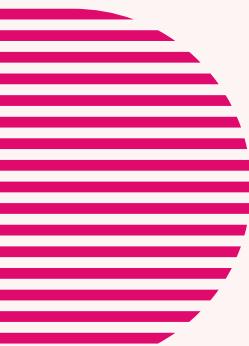


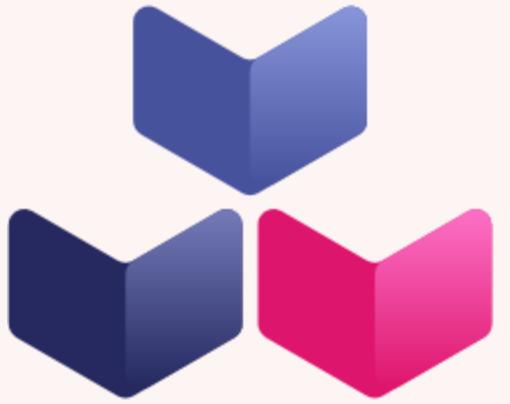
- ✓ Cross-repository blob mounting
- ✓ Image layer rebasing

Standardize Application Builds

Improve Security

Streamline Deployment Workflows





Buildpacks

Containerized Workflows

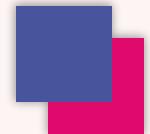
CI/CD pipelines



- ✓ Define
- ✓ Use
- ✓ Share buildpacks

Key Features of Buildpacks





Key Features



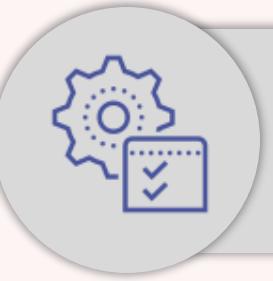
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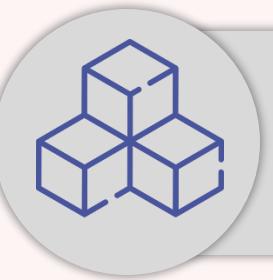
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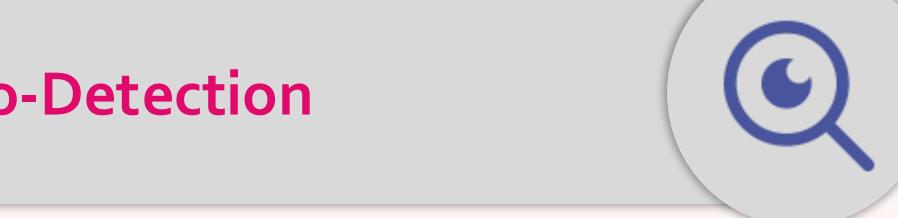
Reproducibility



Multi-Process Support



Modular Design



Auto-Detection



Advanced Caching



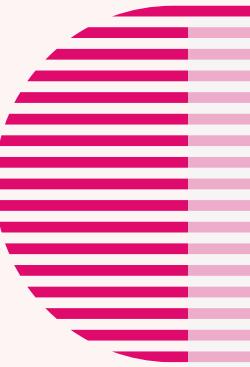
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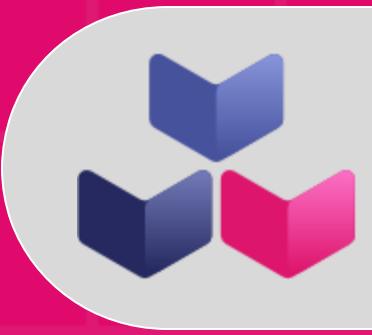


Software Bill of Materials



Non-Root Builds





Demo

Documentation

Walkthrough

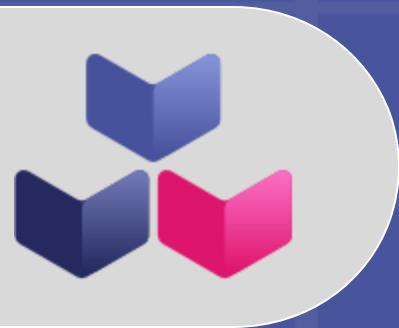
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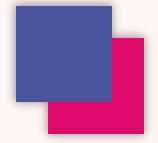


 Buildpacks Terminologies

 Key Terms

Understanding Cloud Native Buildpacks Terminology





Buildpacks Terminology



Buildpacks

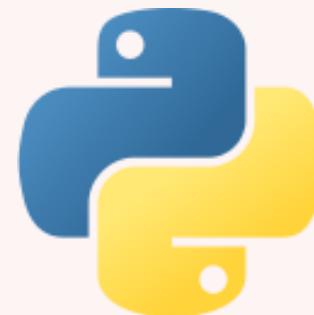
Eliminating the need for developing
Dokerfiles

Buildpacks Terminology

Buildpack

Intelligent, language-specific toolkit

Detect



requirements.txt
file



Build

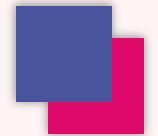


Runnable Python app

Installing
Dependencies

Compiling Code

Configuring
Environment



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buildpack-1

Compiling Code

buildpack-2

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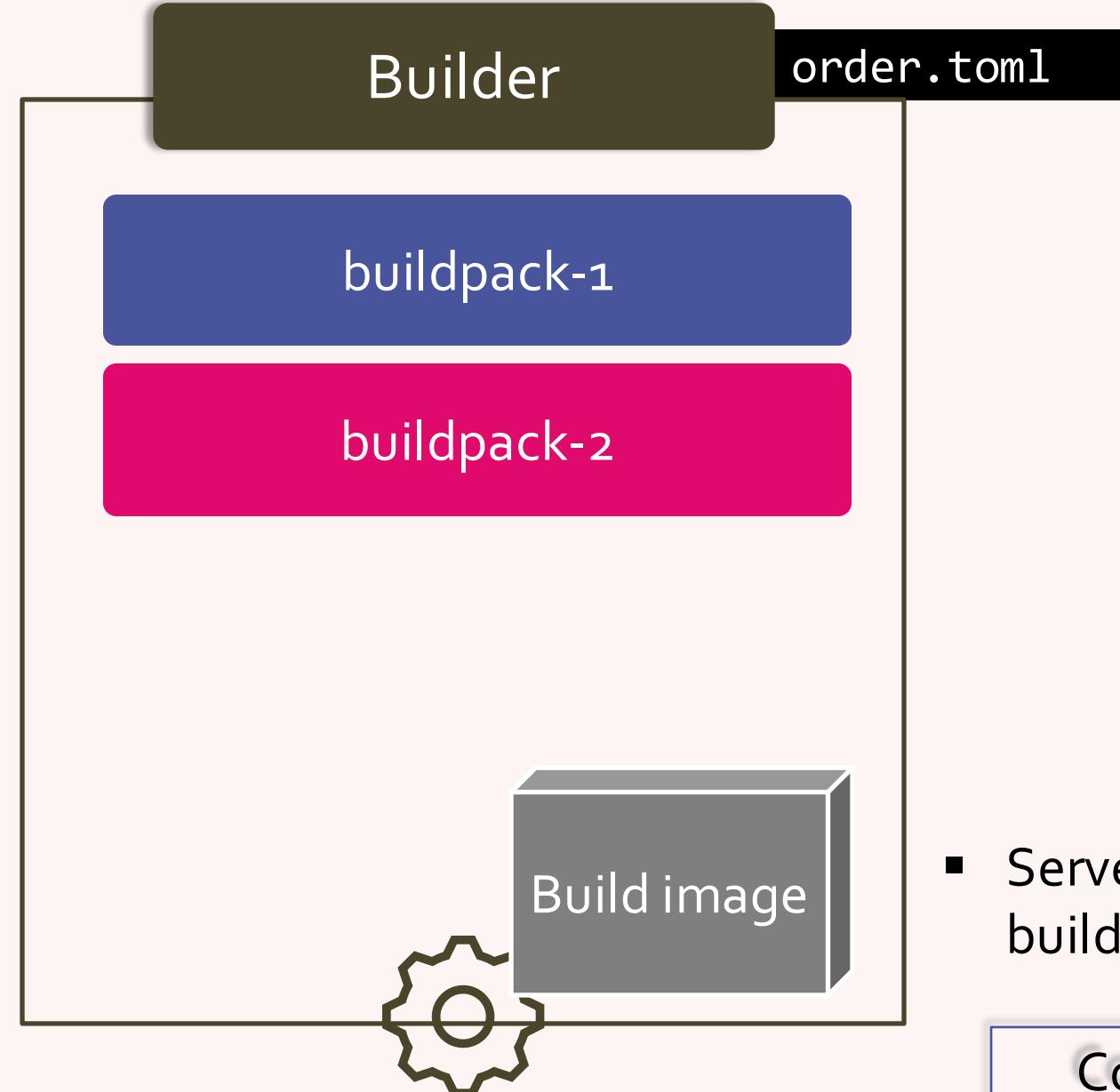


Runnable Python app

JVM

Serving
Static Assets

Buildpacks Terminology



- Serves as the foundation for the build phase

Compiler

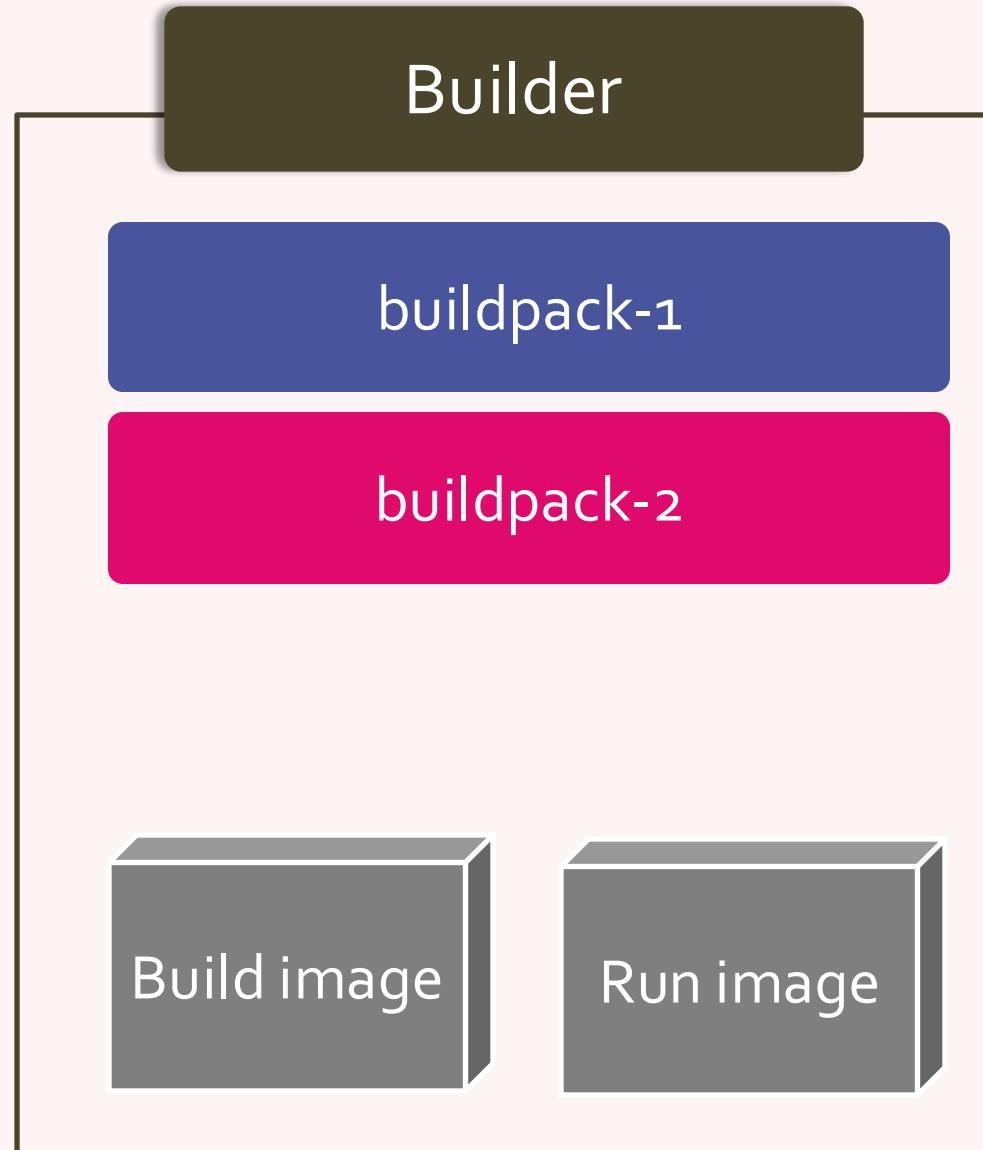
Language

Package managers





Buildpacks Terminology



- Designed for final container image, optimized for security & performance

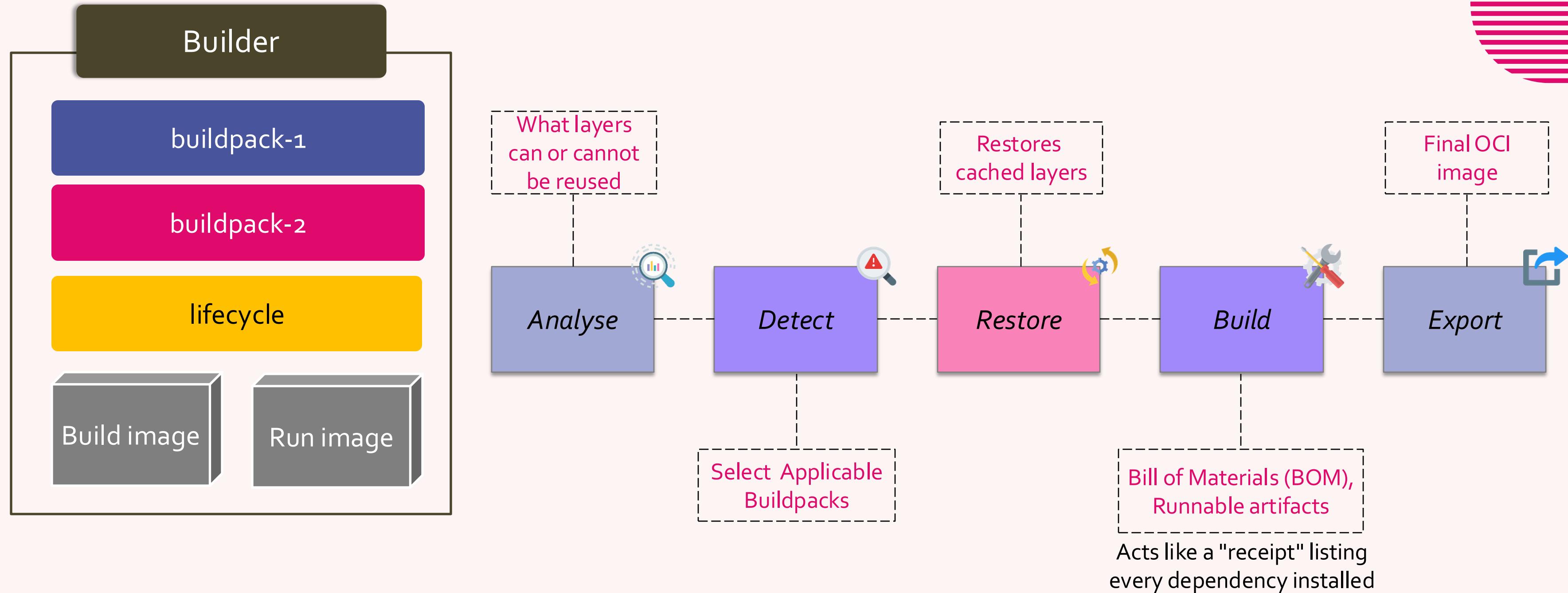
Light
Weight OS

Security
Patches

Necessary
Runtime
Libraries



Buildpacks Terminology

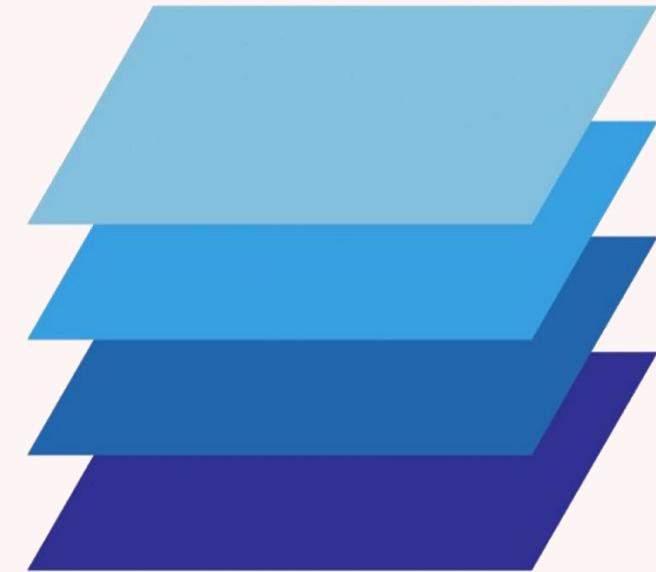
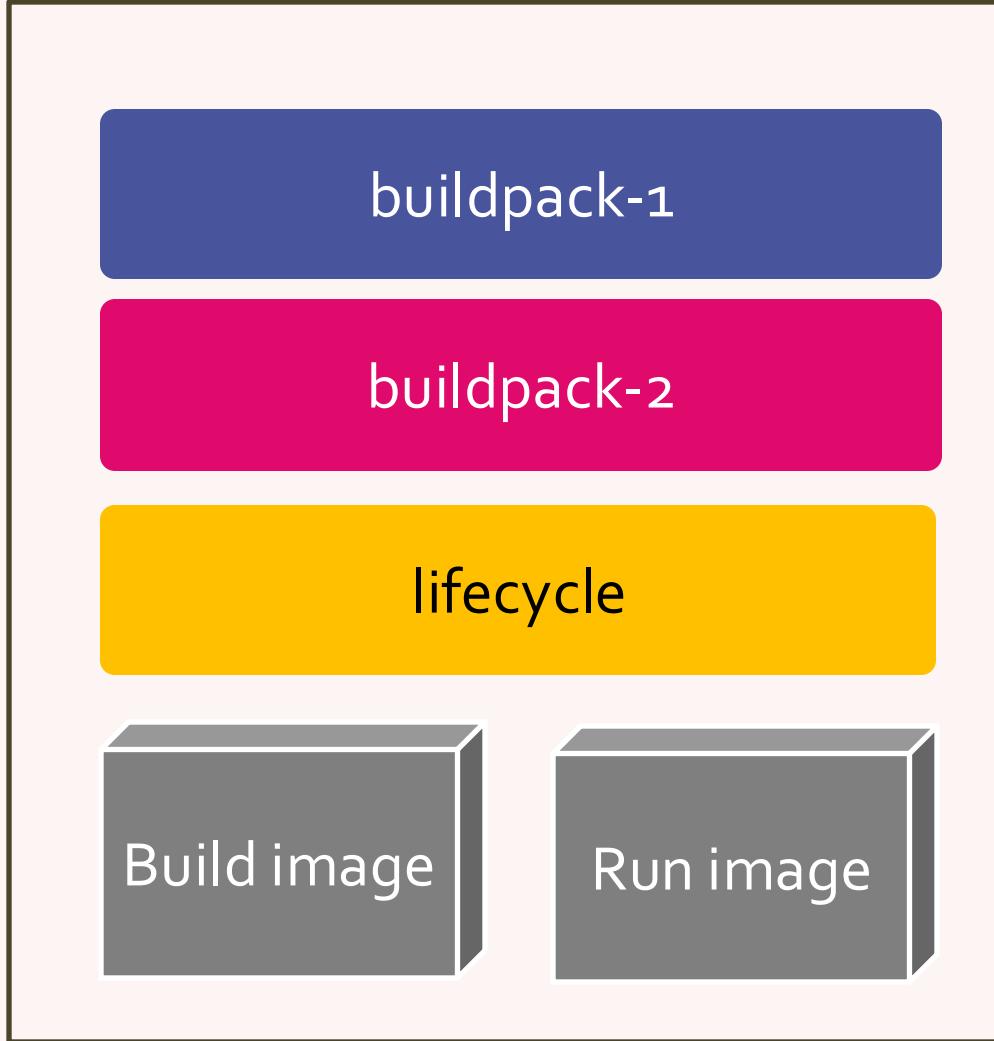




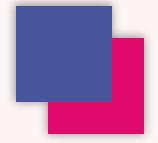
Buildpacks Terminology

Platform

```
pack build my-app --builder paketobuildpacks/builder-jammy-full
```



Final OCI image



Buildpacks Terminology

- Buildpacks enforce security best practices

Decoupled Build

Runtime
Environments

- Optimize performance through layer caching
- Streamline compliance with dependency audits via the **BOM**

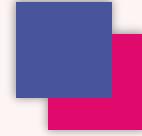
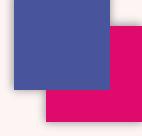


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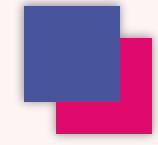
Buildpacks



-  [Installing and using Pack CLI](#)
-  [Installing Pack CLI on macOS, Linux, and Windows](#)
-  [Commonly used Pack CLI commands](#)

Getting Started with Pack CLI

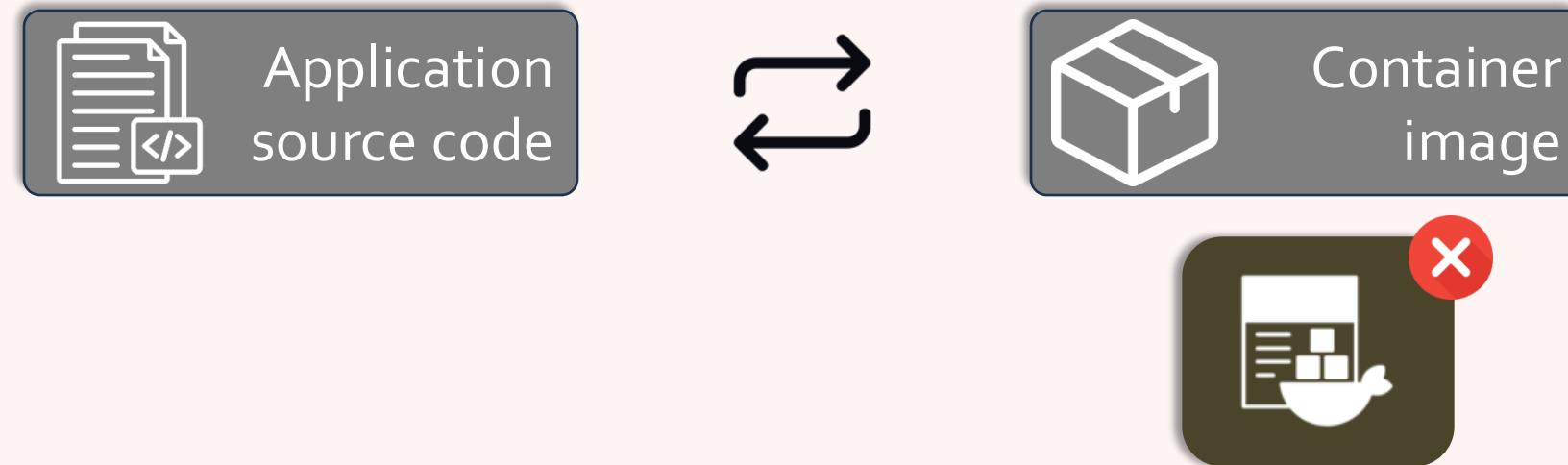


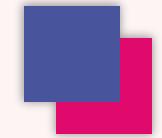


Pack CLI



✓ Pack is a CLI tool maintained by the CNB project to support the use of buildpacks



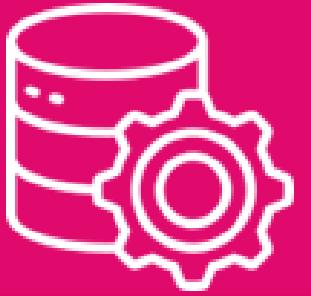


What Does pack Do?

Building
Images



Managing
Builders



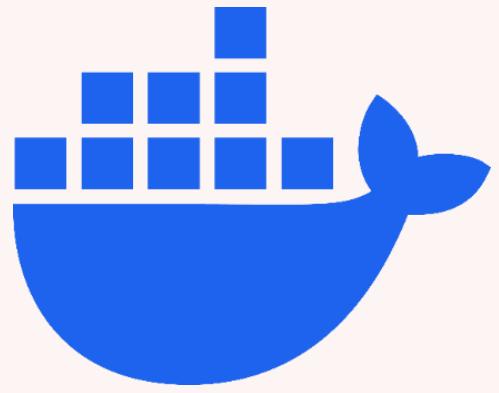
Inspecting
Artifacts





Prerequisites

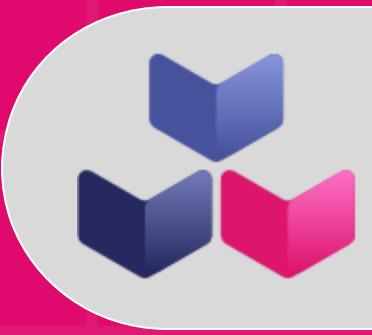
- To use pack, ensure you have



Docker

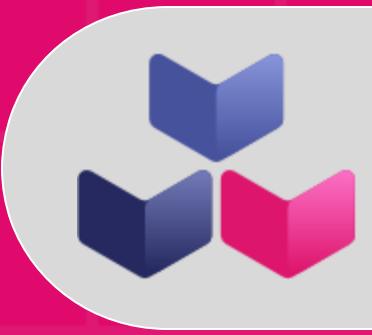


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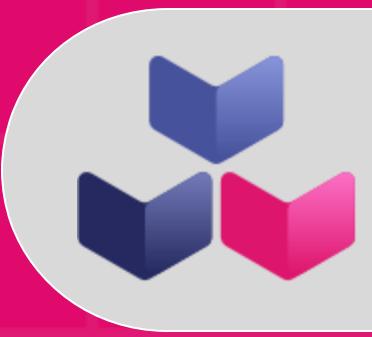
Demo

Installing pack CLI on Mac



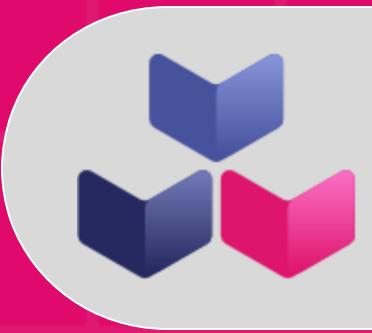
Demo

Installing pack CLI on Linux



Demo

Installing pack CLI on Windows



Demo

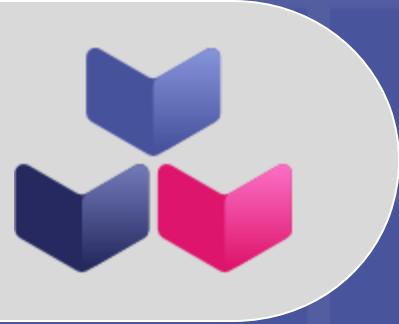
Commonly used pack
commands

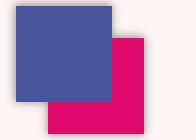
Buildpacks



- How to build application images
- Understanding the build lifecycle
- Building Python, Java, & Node.js application images

Understanding Build Lifecycle





Build Lifecycle



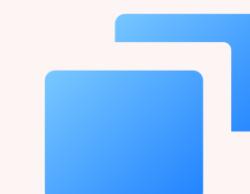
Buildpack Lifecycle



Application
source code



Container
image



Reproducibility



Security



Efficiency

Build Lifecycle

Detection



Purpose: Identify the buildpacks

Process: Each buildpack in the builder declares its requirements via a detect script
Executes these scripts to identify compatible buildpacks for the source code

Output: ("build plan")

Build Lifecycle

Build Lifecycle

Analysis



Purpose: Restore cached metadata

Process: Checks for existing layers in the cache and their associated metadata.
Reduce build time and network usage

Detection



Build Lifecycle



Build Lifecycle

Restoration



Purpose: Restore cached layers

Process: Layers marked as cacheable in previous builds are restored to the build environment
Averts redundant downloads or recompilation of dependencies



Detection



Build Lifecycle

Build Lifecycle

Build



Purpose: Execute to transform source code into a runnable artifact

Process: Selected buildpacks run in order

Modify the filesystem, set environment variables, or define launch processes

Output: A "launchable" image with layers

Restoration



Analysis



Detection



Build Lifecycle

Build Lifecycle

Export



Purpose: Create the final OCI-compliant container image

Process: Combines the buildpack-generated layers, runtime environment, and metadata (e.g., `launch.toml`)

Image is tagged and pushed to a registry

Restoration



Build



Analysis



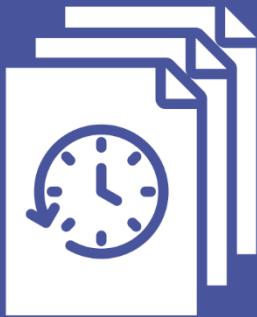
Detection



Build Lifecycle

Build Lifecycle

Caching



Purpose: Store reusable layers for future builds

Process: Layers marked as cacheable

Subsequent builds skip rebuilding these layers unless changes are detected

Restoration



Build



Analysis



Export



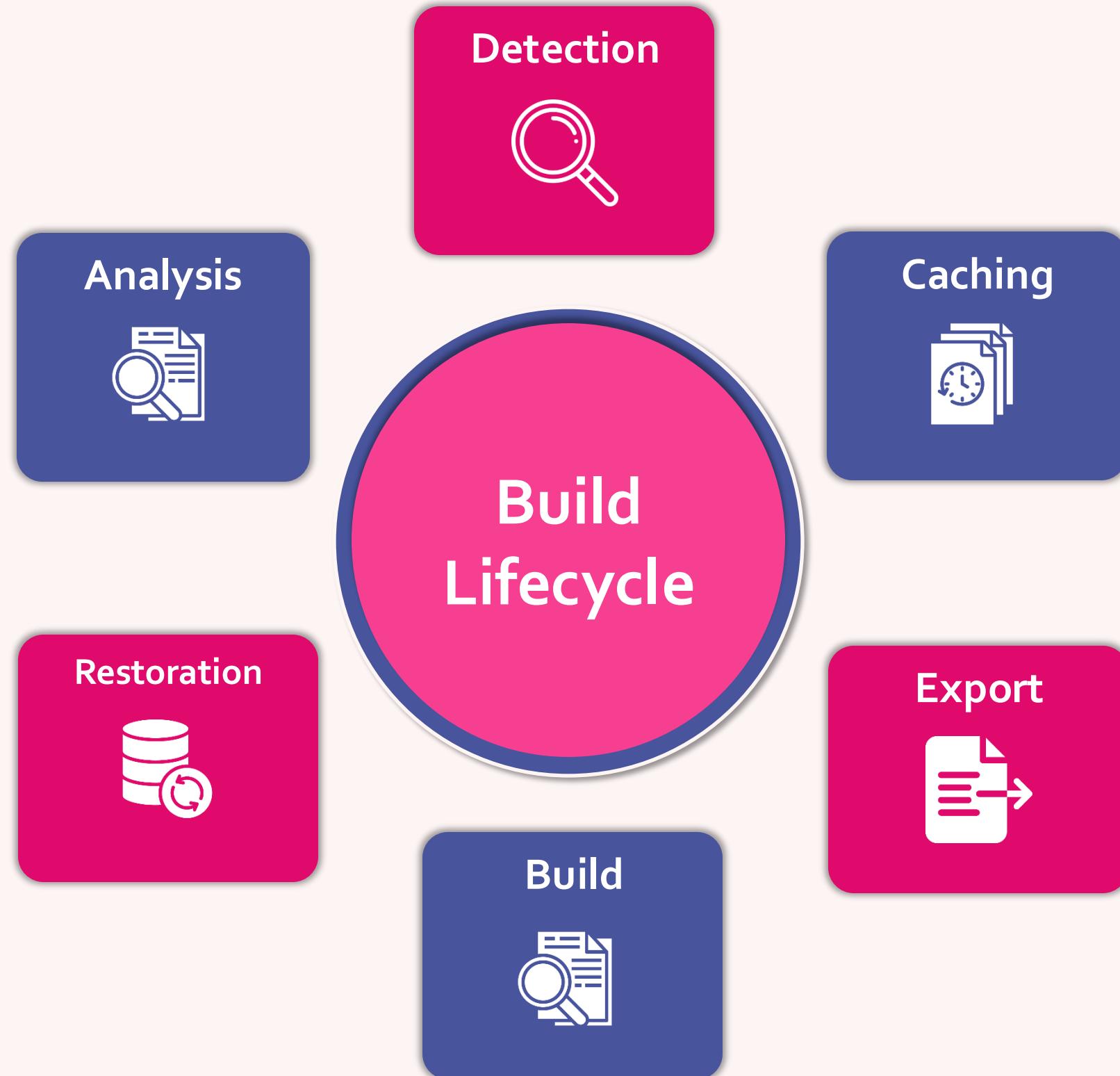
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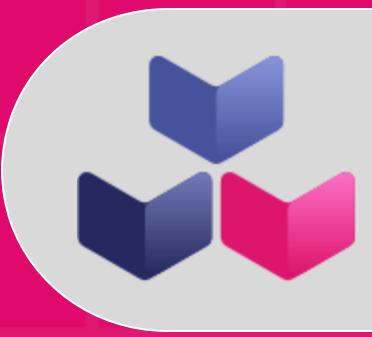


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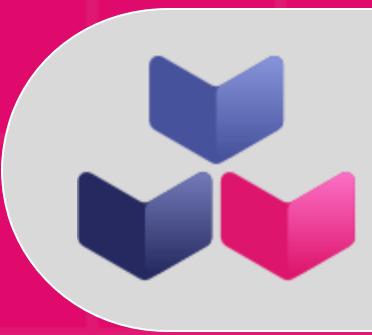
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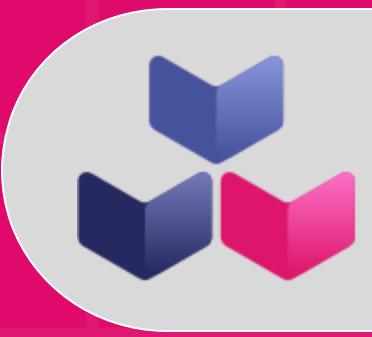
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Python Application



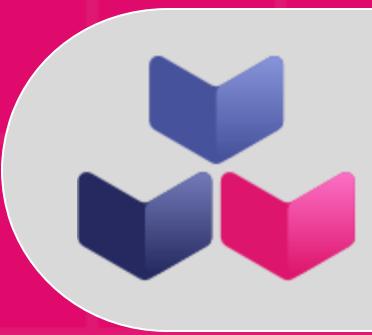
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Python Application with Database



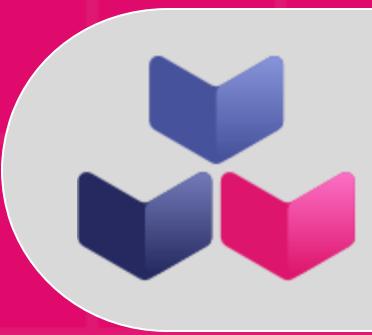
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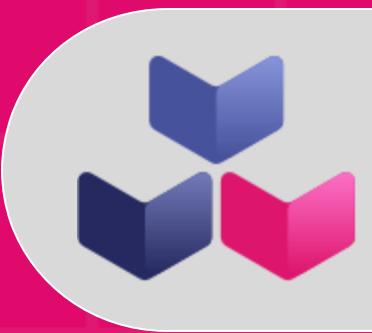
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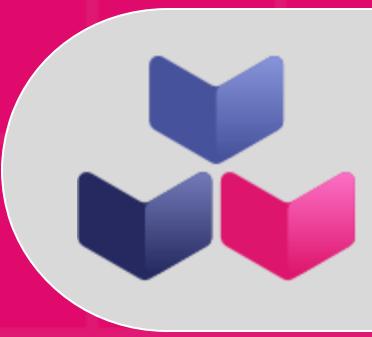
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Understanding - How to
build your own
Buildpacks and Builders



Demo

Creating your own Buildpacks



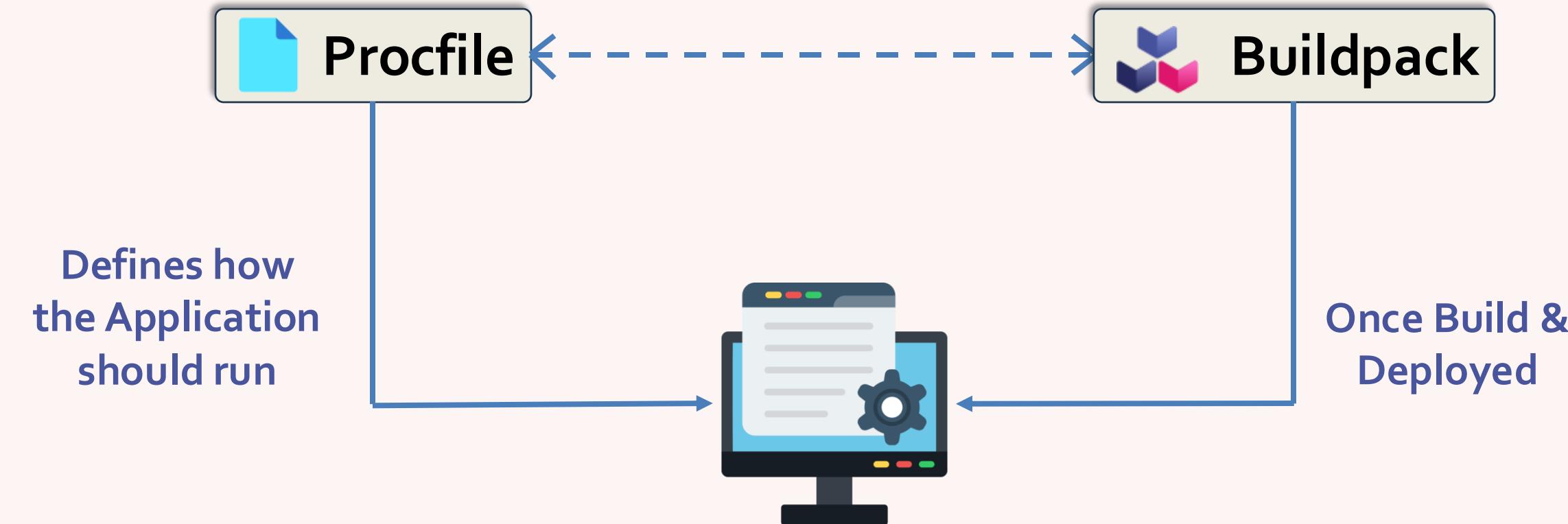
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Creating your own Builders

Procfile in Cloud Native Buildpacks



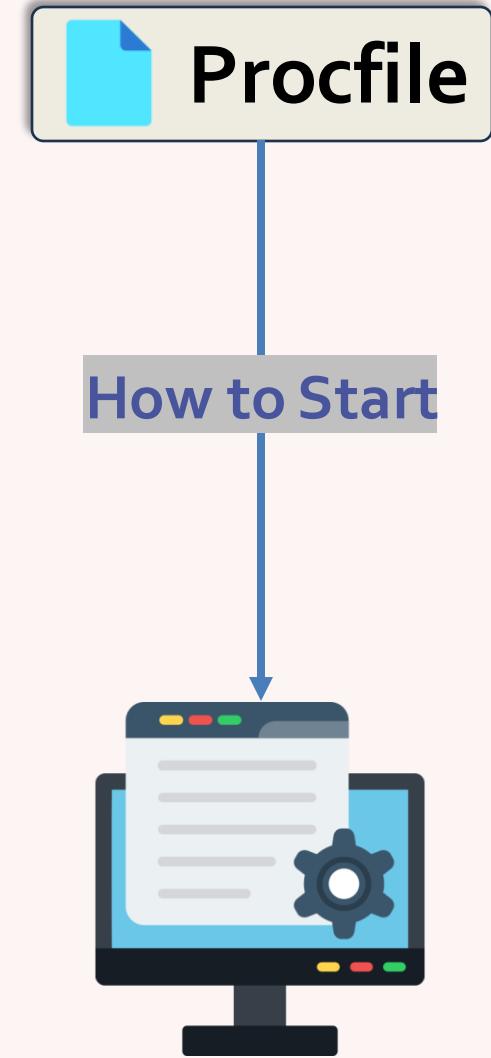
Procfile



- Procfile explicitly defines the commands required to run your application once built and packaged
- Specifies processes/services
- Web applications and background tasks

Purpose

- Cloud Native Buildpacks automate building processes
 - Setting up Dependencies
 - Compiling Code
 - Generating Container Image
- Procfile defines how to start your application once it's deployed
 - Specifies the process types





Format

- The file consists of one or more lines
- Each line defines a process type and its associated command

<process_type>: <command_to_run>

web: python app.py

Process type for running the web server

worker: python worker.py

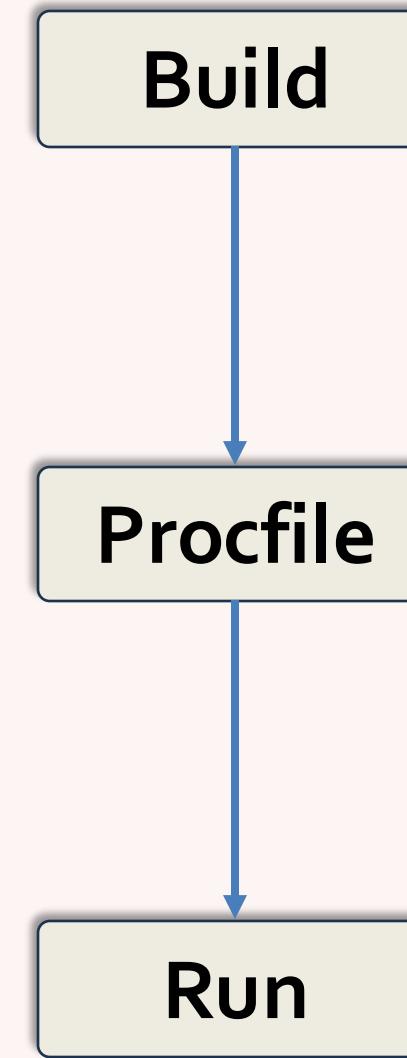
Background process for background jobs



Benefits

- Multi-Process Applications
 - Once the container is built, the Procfile defines how process should run
- Platform Compatibility
 - Cloud platforms like Heroku use Procfile to start and manage deployed apps

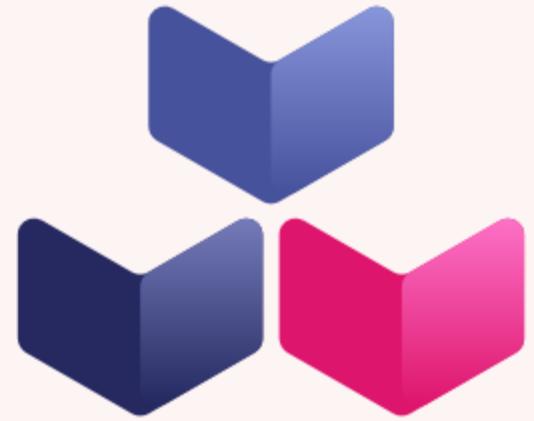
Workflow



- **Buildpack compiles the app, bundles dependencies, and creates a container**
- **After packaging, Procfile defines how to start the app and its processes**
- **On deployment, the platform uses Procfile to run specified processes**



Summary



Cloud Native Buildpack

Building and containerizing of the app



Procfile

Defines how the app runs post-deployment on buildpack-supported platforms

Key Concepts

ClusterStore

- A cluster-wide buildpack repository for Builders.
- Populated with buildpacks from public or private registries

ClusterStack

- Defines the base OS images
- Ensures consistency

ClusterBuilder

- A cluster-scoped Builder combining ClusterStore, ClusterStack, and lifecycle

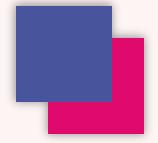
Builder Resource

- Specifies **how** to build
- Reusable template for image builds

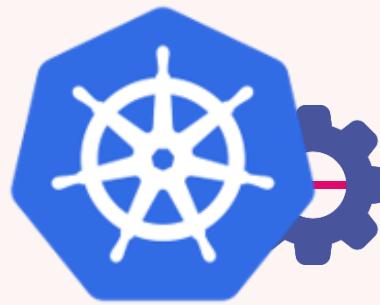
Image Resource

- Defines **what** to build
- Auto-rebuilds

Components of kpack



Workflow Overview

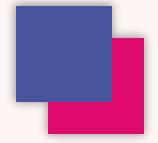


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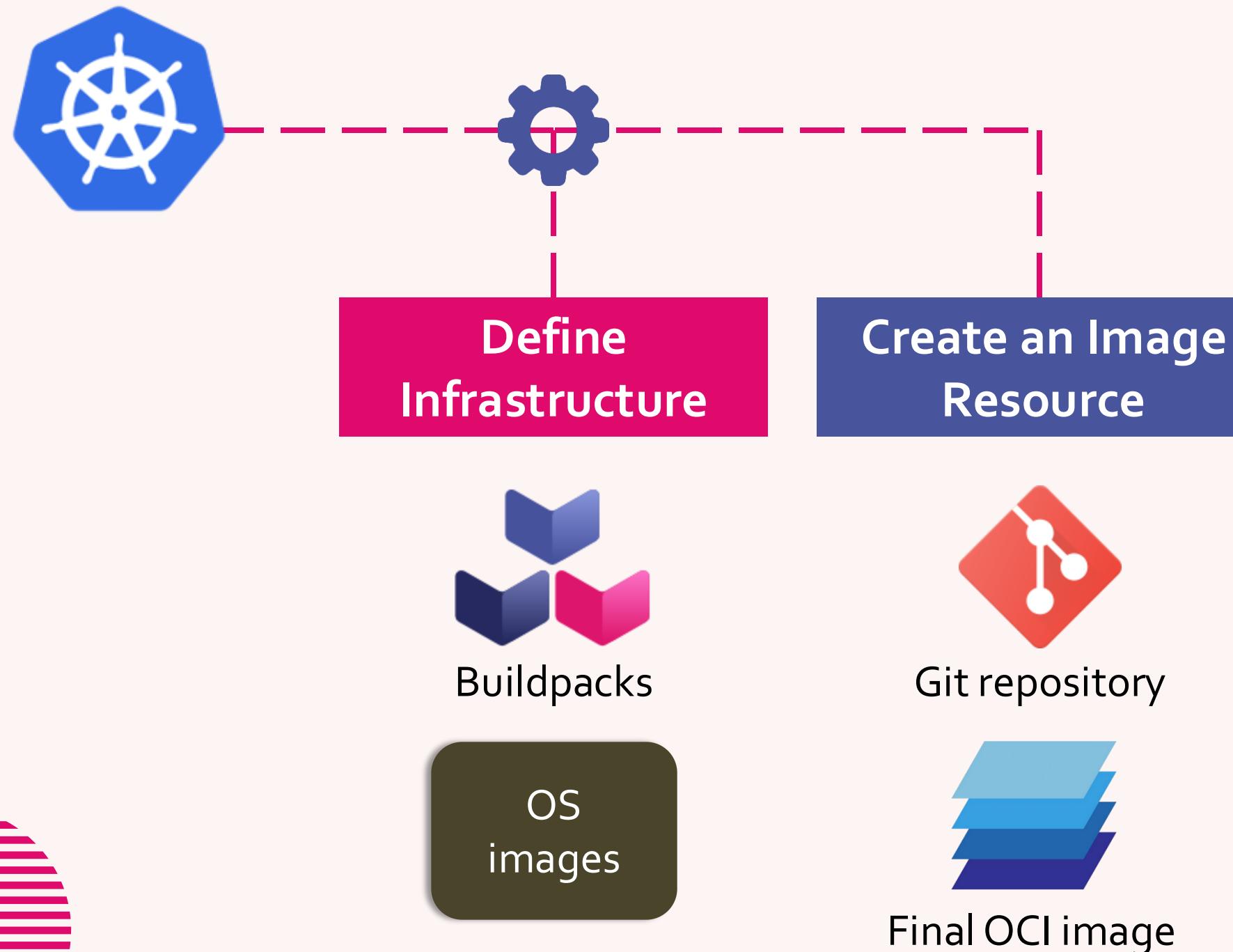


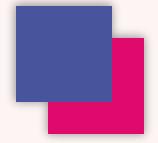
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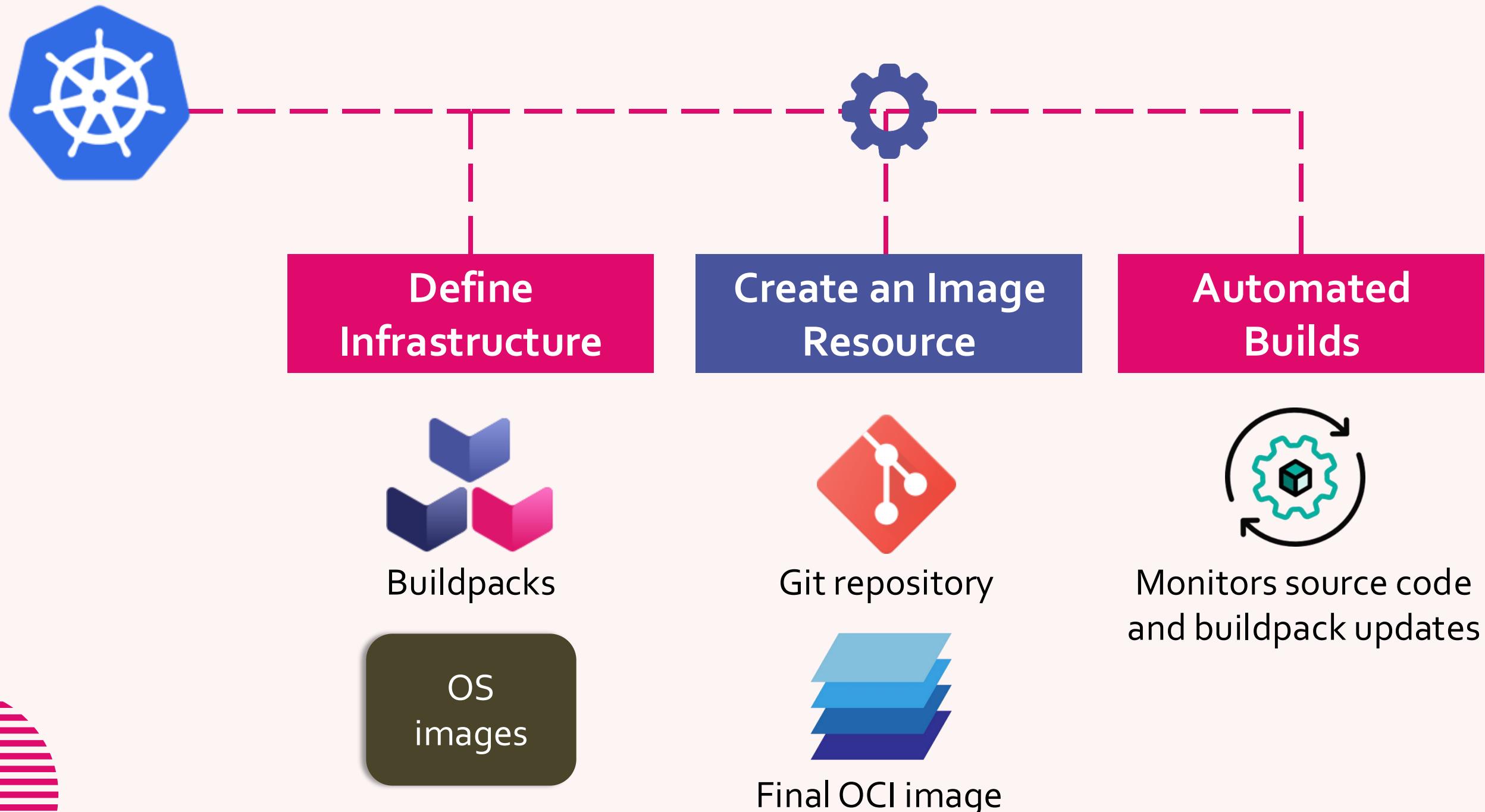


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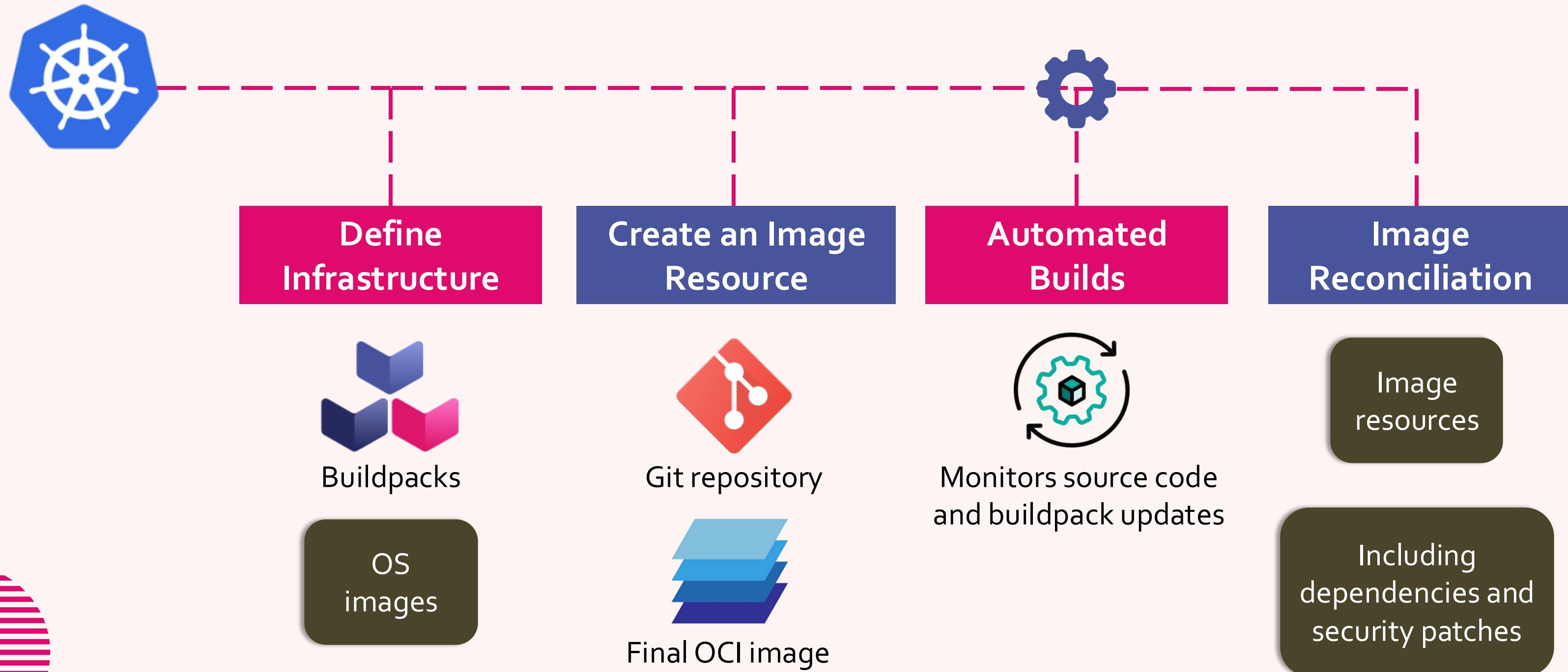




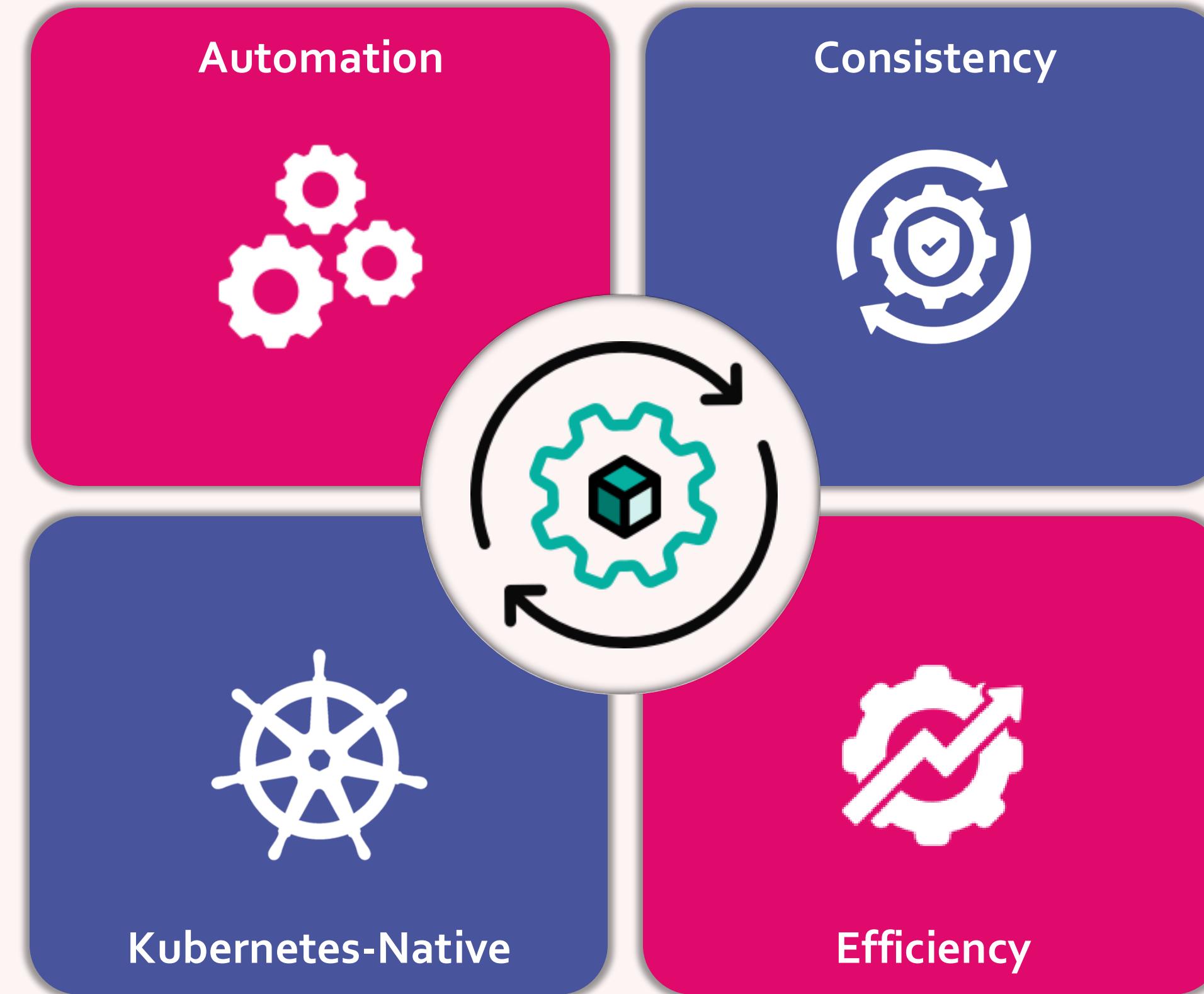
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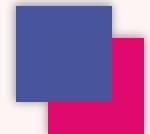


Workflow Overview



Benefits of kpack





Prerequisites



Kubernetes cluster



Container registry



Credentials

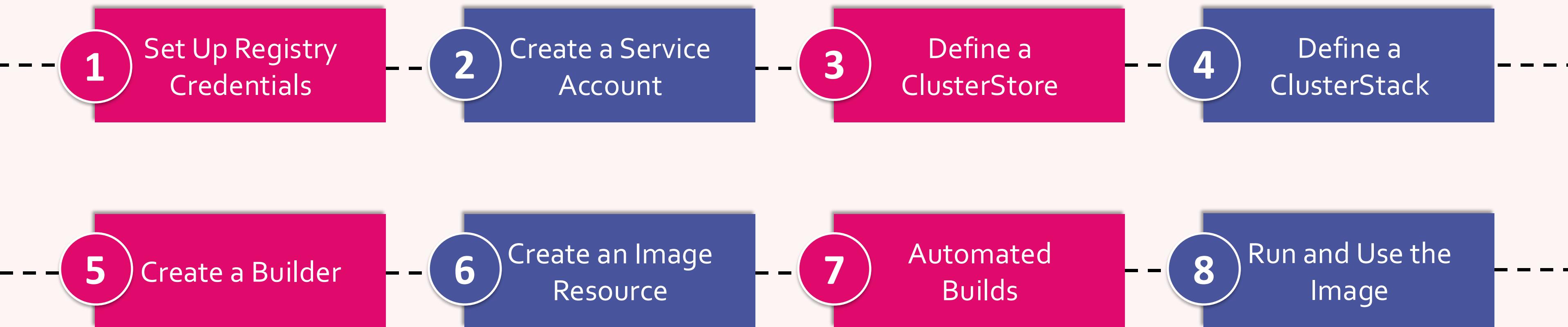
v1.20+ recommended

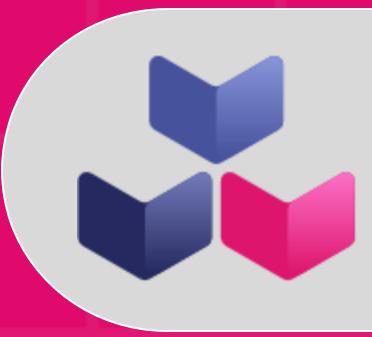
Docker Hub, Google
Container Registry

Stored as
Kubernetes Secrets



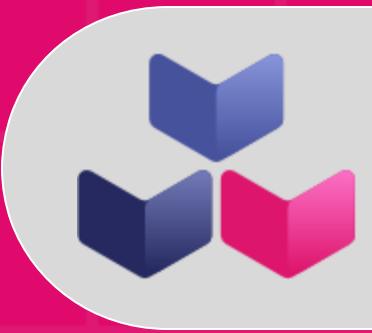
Overview of the kpack Process





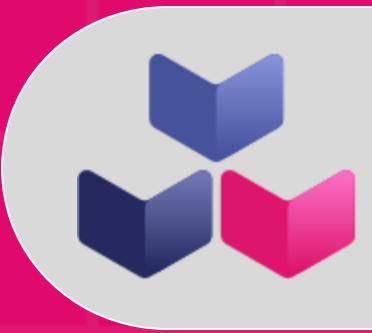
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Environment Setup for
kpack and kpack cli



Demo

Building and Publishing OCI images using kpack cli



Demo

Building and Publishing
OCI images using kpack
manifest files - YAML
Approach

Conclusion



- Fundamental concepts, key terminology, and practical applications
- Understands container images and Buildpacks architecture
- Hands-on experience in leveraging Buildpacks to streamline your containerization workflow
- Advanced topics
 - Developing buildpacks
 - Creating builders
- kpack for Kubernetes
 - Enable automated and declarative container image
 - Builds within a Kubernetes environment