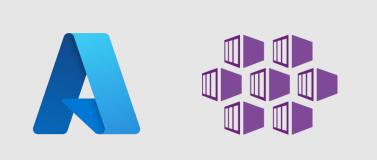
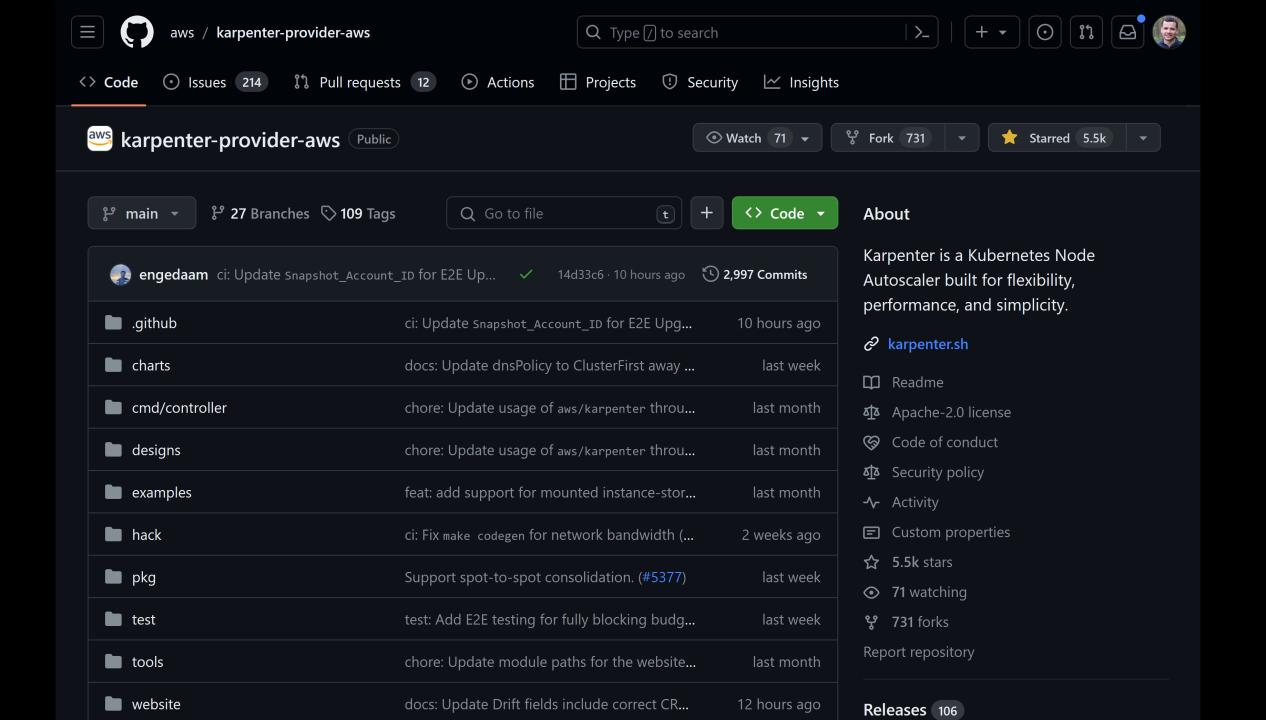
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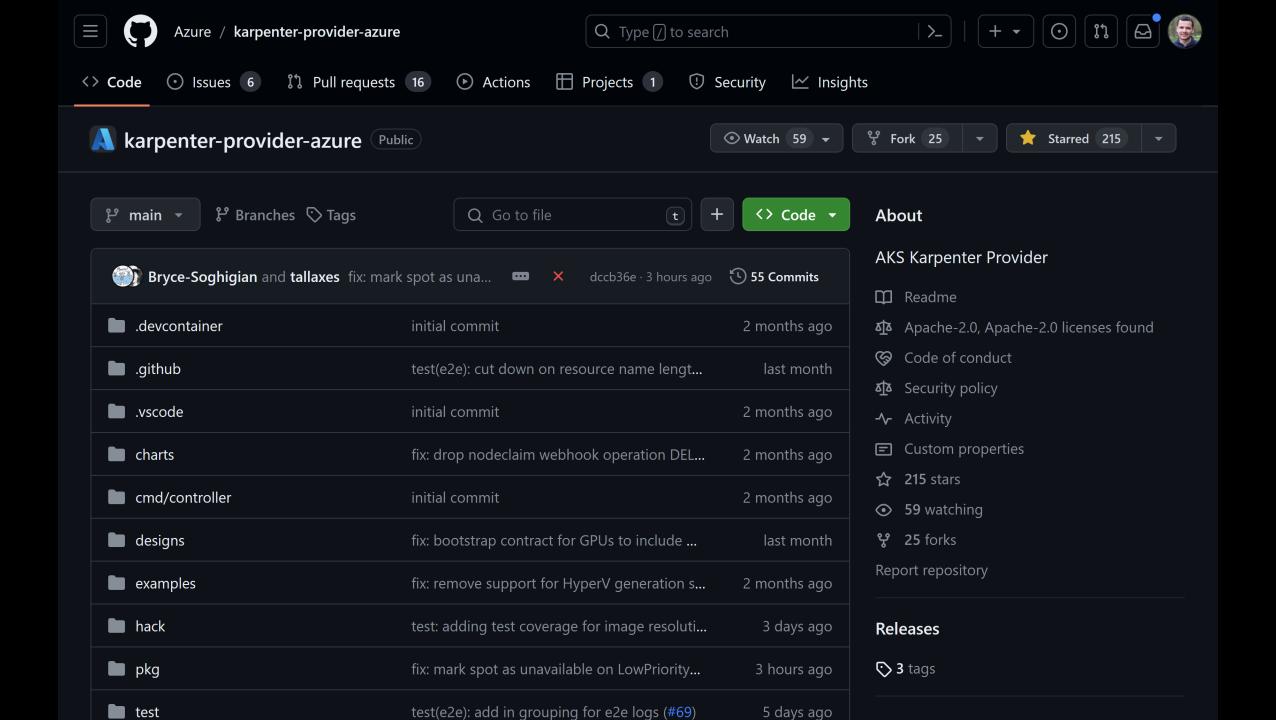
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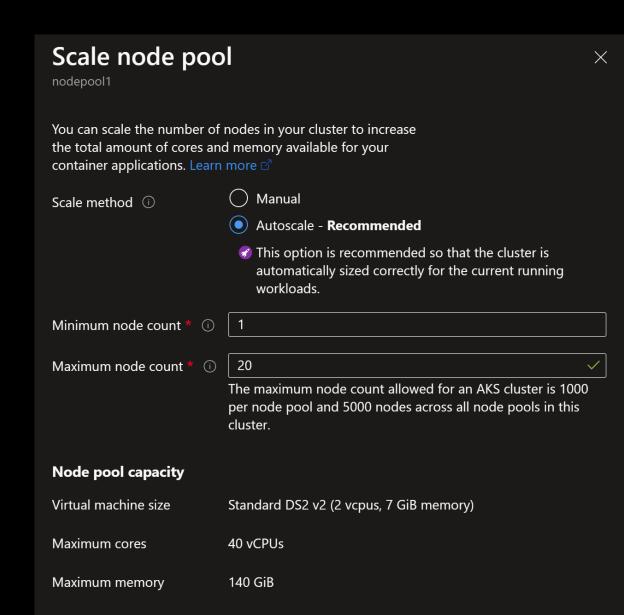
AKS Cluster Autoscaler

The cluster autoscaler on Azure dynamically scales Kubernetes worker nodes. It runs as a deployment in your cluster.

Enabled by default in AKS.

Creates Nodepools (Azure VMSS) with specific VM SKU.

https://github.com/kubernetes/autoscaler/tre e/master/clusterautoscaler/cloudprovider/azure



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Replaces the default Cluster Autoscaler in Kubernetes.

Improve application availability

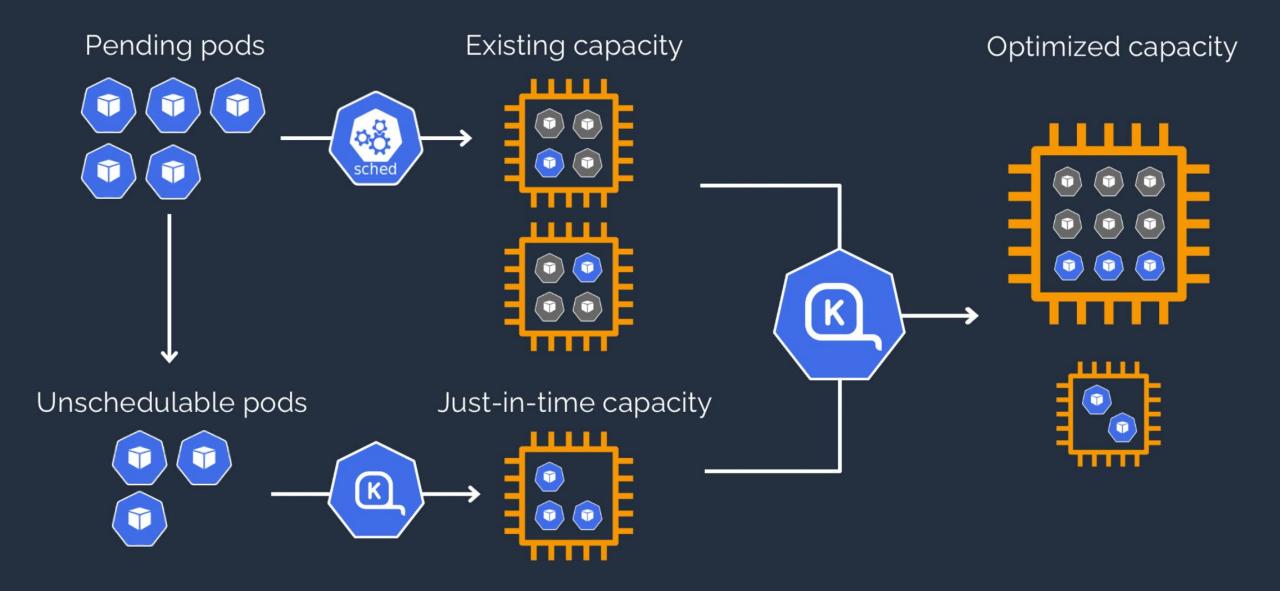
Responds quickly and automatically to changes in application load

Lower compute costs

Remove under-utilized nodes
Replace expensive nodes with cheaper alternatives
Consolidate workloads onto more efficient compute resources

\$ az aks create -n \$AKS_NAME -g \$AKS_RG --node-provisioning-mode Auto

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Karpenter Nodepool

Name ↑↓	Type ↑↓
aks-agentpool-15907378-nsg	Network security group
aks-cluster-agentpool	Managed Identity
aks-default-7pw68	Disk
aks-default-7pw68	Virtual machine
aks-default-7pw68	Network Interface
aks-default-s6vs4	Disk
aks-default-s6vs4	Virtual machine
aks-default-s6vs4	Network Interface
aks-default-zxc4p	Disk
aks-default-zxc4p	Virtual machine
aks-default-zxc4p	Network Interface
aks-nodepool1-41510273-vmss	Virtual machine scale set
 	Virtual network
b74b6729-a416-4609-aa97-2f2a8c	Public IP address
kubernetes	Load balancer

```
apiVersion: karpenter.sh/v1beta1
kind: NodePool
metadata:
  name: burstable
spec:
  template:
    spec:
      nodeClassRef:
        name: default
      requirements:
        - key: kubernetes.io/arch
          operator: In
          values: ["amd64"] # arm64
        - key: kubernetes.io/os
          operator: In
          values: ["linux"]
        - key: karpenter.sh/capacity-type
          operator: In
          values: ["on-demand"] # spot
        - key: karpenter.azure.com/sku-family
          operator: In
          values: [B] # D, F, E, M, NV, etc
        - key: topology.kubernetes.io/zone
          operator: In
          values: ["1", "2", "3"]
```

Karpenter Nodepool

Name ↑↓	Type ↑↓
aks-agentpool-15907378-nsg	Network security group
aks-cluster-agentpool	Managed Identity
aks-default-7pw68	Disk
aks-default-7pw68	Virtual machine
aks-default-7pw68	Network Interface
aks-default-s6vs4	Disk
aks-default-s6vs4	Virtual machine
aks-default-s6vs4	Network Interface
aks-default-zxc4p	Disk
aks-default-zxc4p	Virtual machine
aks-default-zxc4p	Network Interface
aks-nodepool1-41510273-vmss	Virtual machine scale set
☐ <·> aks-vnet-15907378	Virtual network
b74b6729-a416-4609-aa97-2f2a8c···	Public IP address
☐ � kubernetes	Load balancer

nodepool1 Succeeded Running	Node pool ↑	Provisioning state ①	Power state ①
	nodepool1	Succeeded	Running

\$ kubectl get nodes

NAME	STATUS	ROLES	AGE	VERSION
aks-default-7pw68	Ready	agent	17 m	v1.27.7
aks-default-s6vs4	Ready	agent	18 m	v1.27.7
aks-default-zxc4p	Ready	agent	18m	v1.27.7
aks-nodepool1-41510273-vmss000000	Ready	agent	6h4m	v1.27.7
aks-nodepool1-41510273-vmss000001	Ready	agent	6h4m	v1.27.7
aks-nodepool1-41510273-vmss000002	Ready	agent	6h4m	v1.27.7

Karpenter Nodepool won't be seen in AKS dashboard.