Managing Environments with GitOps



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Overview

Problems with traditional deployment strategies

Jenkins X environment repositories and GitOps

A deep dive into jx deployments

Creating new environments

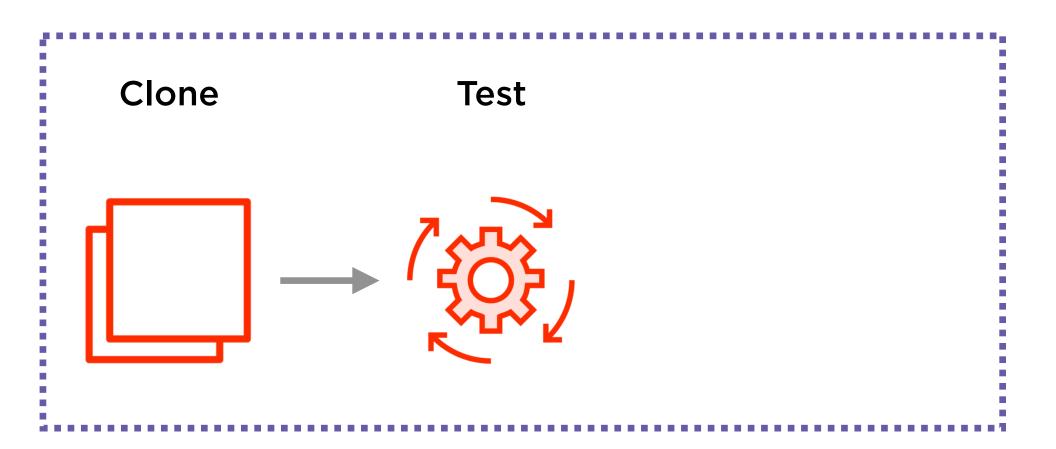
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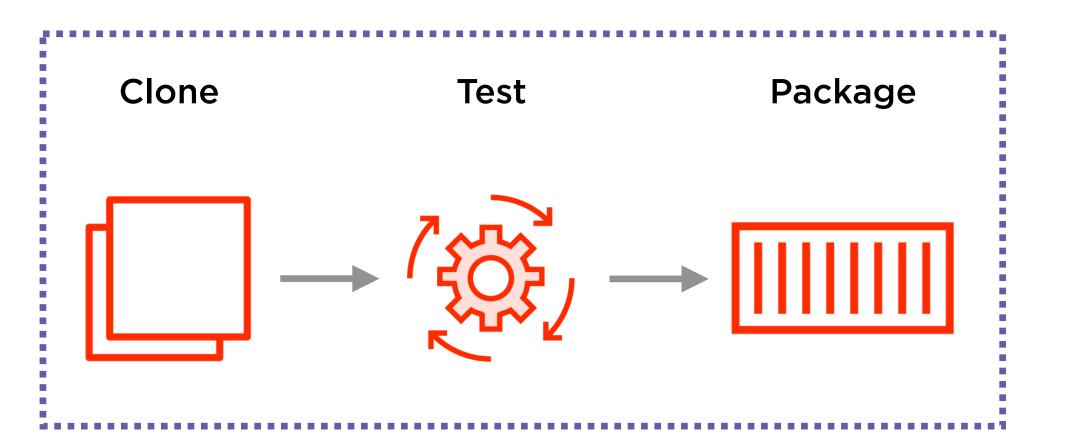




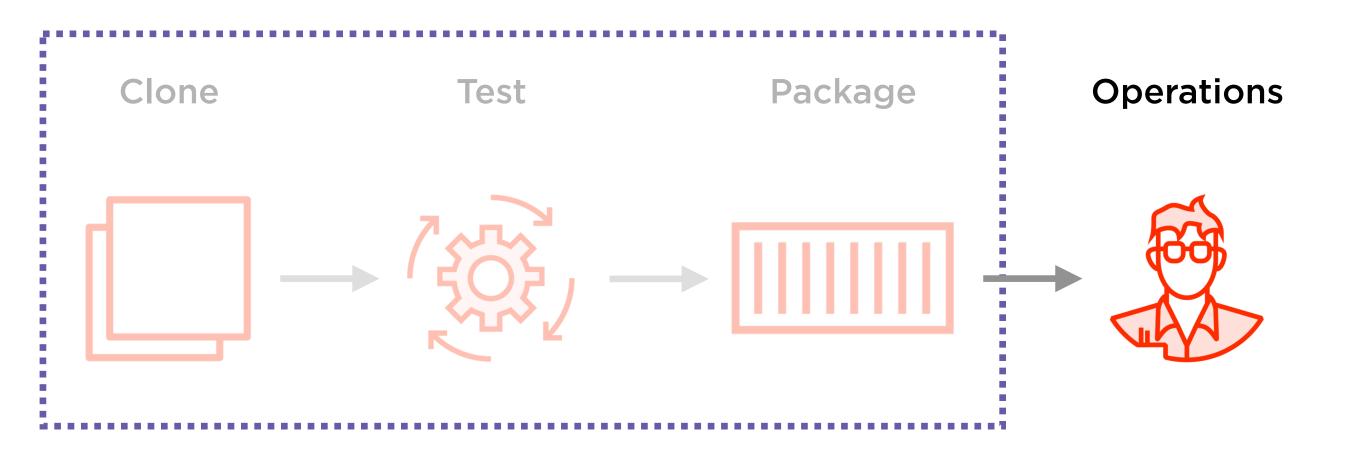




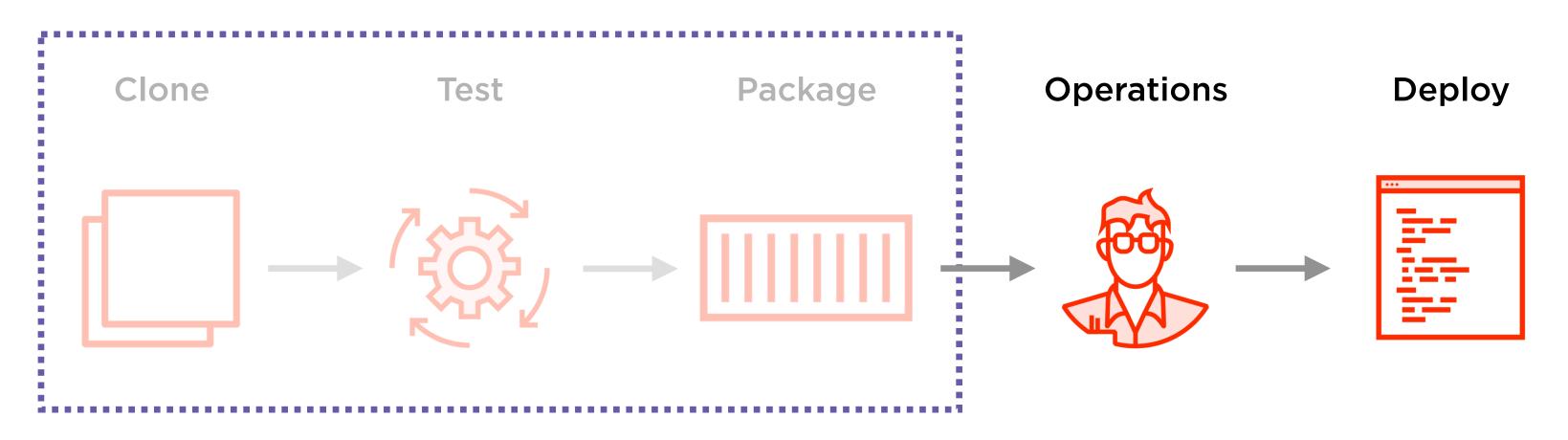
















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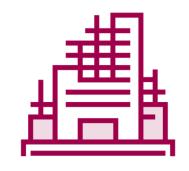
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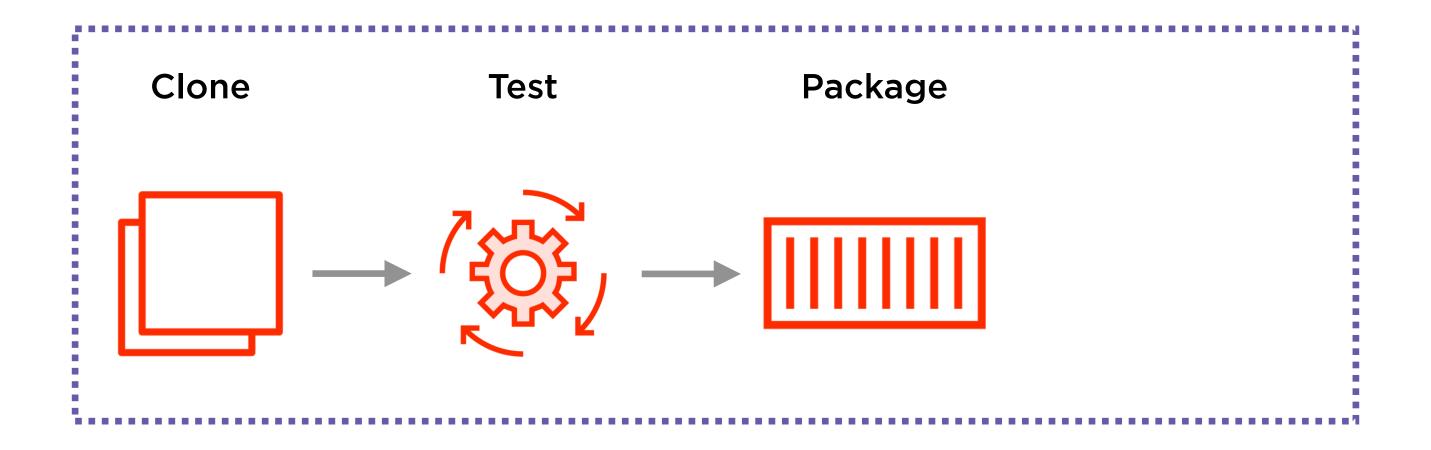


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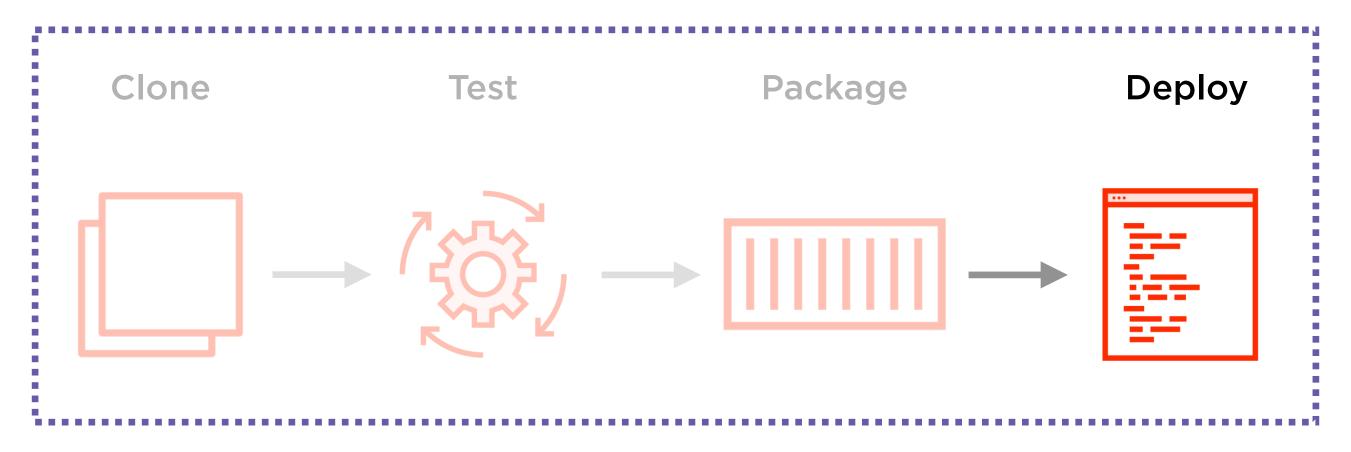
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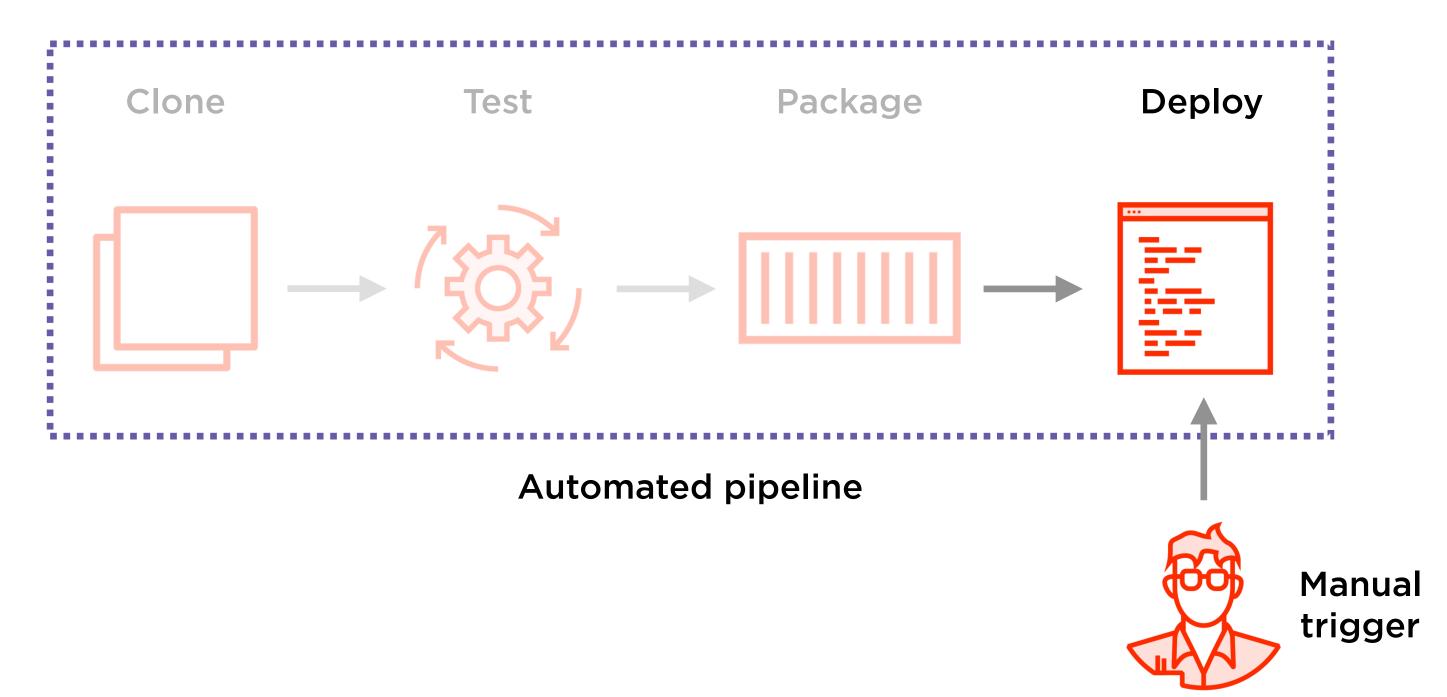
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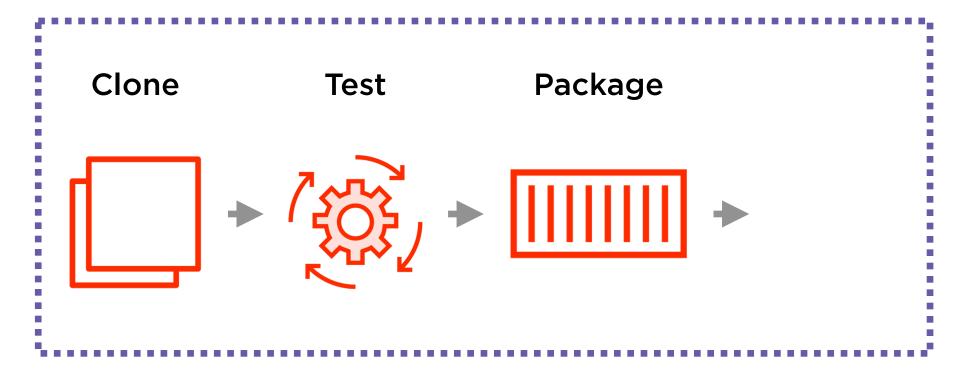
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Desired state of an environment

Declarative list of services using Helm

Each commit triggers a pipeline which deploys everything

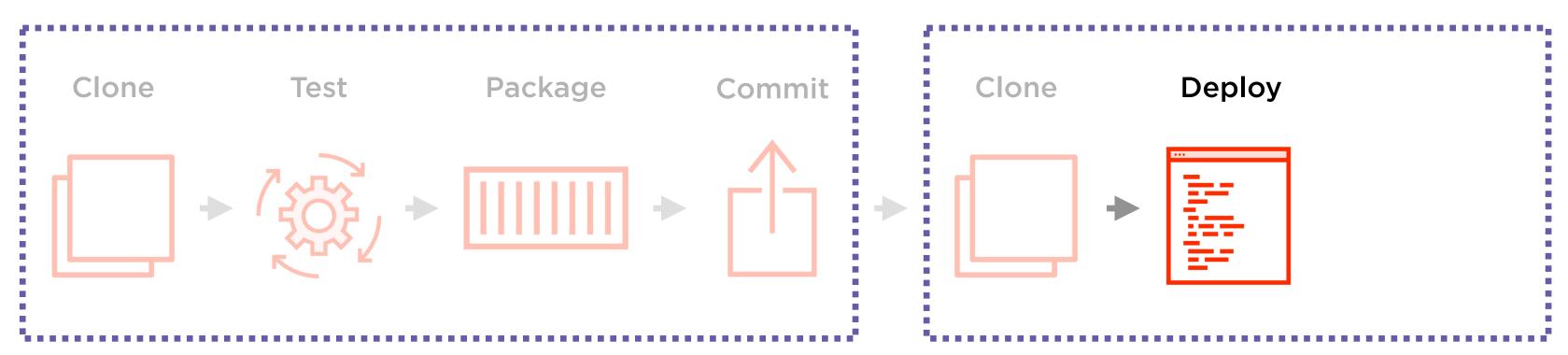
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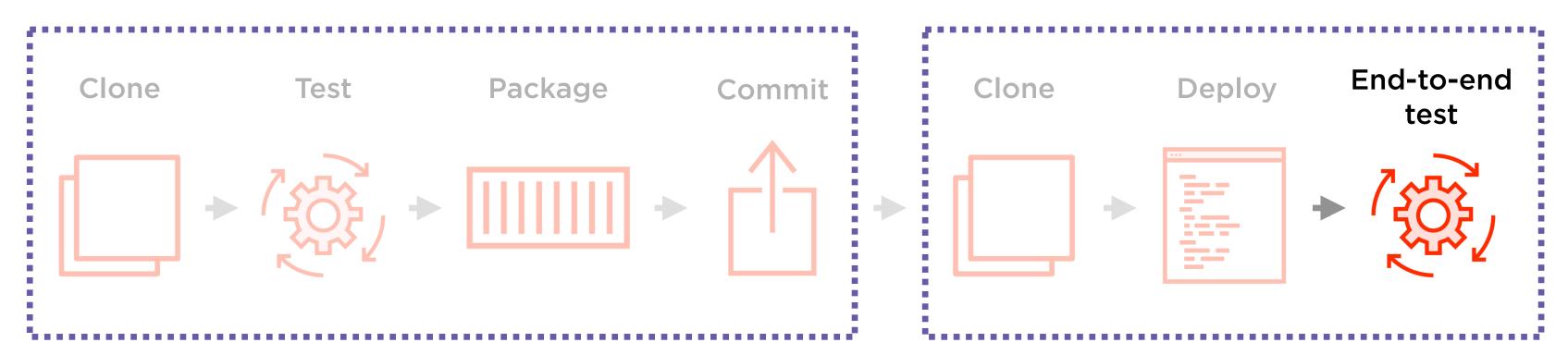
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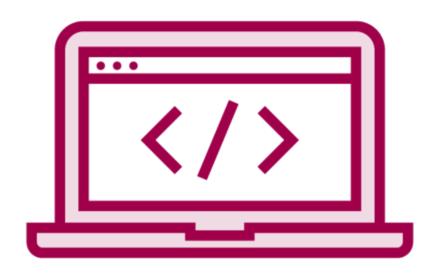
GitOps

Where Git is the single source of truth for an environment, meaning all changes are observable and declarative



Demo

Deploy an application to staging
Analysis of staging repository
Using JX to view the application and staging pipelines



jx create env

Automated creation of a new environment
Creates Git repository and sets up pipelines
Creates namespace within Kubernetes

Environment Creation Strategy Advantages



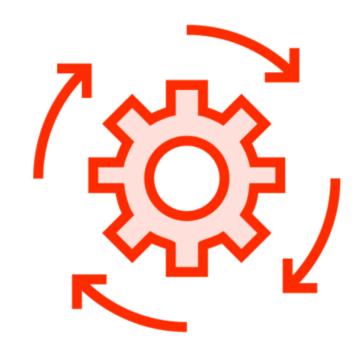
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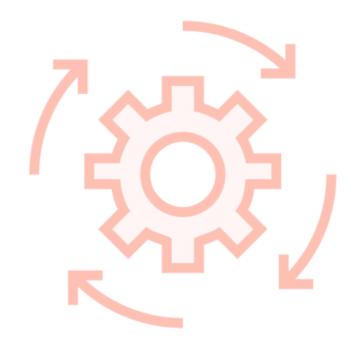
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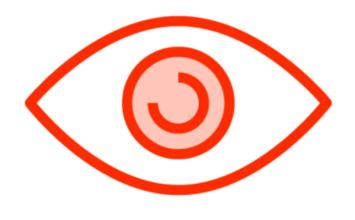
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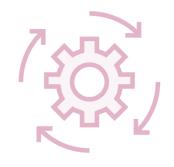
Deploy an application to our environment

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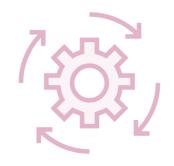


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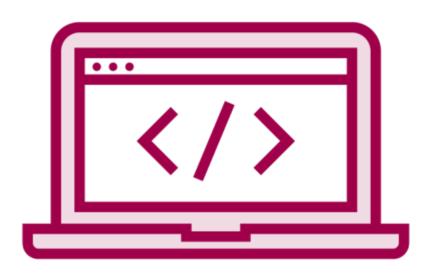
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Never: Releases are never promoted to the environment



jx promote

Deploy a service to an environment

Orchestrated via Git commits behind the scenes

Useful for manual releases to production

Demo

Look at our environment's promotion strategies

Promote an application to production

Summary

Jenkins X adopts GitOps, where Git is the single-source-of-truth for our environments

Deployments are declarative commits to these repositories

We automatically deploy to autoenvironments

We manually deploy to manual environments

