The Patterns of Cloud-native Architecture



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Overview



Application architecture patterns

Application delivery patterns

Application infrastructure patterns

Application team patterns

Summary



"Cloud-native software is built for scale, built for continuous change, built to tolerate failure, built for manageability."

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Application Architecture Patterns



12-Factor Applications



- One codebase in source control
- 2. Declared dependencies
- 3. Config stored in the environment
- 4. Backing services as attached resources
- 5. Separate build and run stages
- 6. App executed as stateless processes
- 7. Services exported as port bindings
- 8. Scale out processes
- 9. Disposability
- 10. Environment parity
- 11. Treat logs like event streams
- 12. Run admin processes as one-off processes



Microservices Architecture

Boundaries found via domain-driven design

Loosely coupled components

Continuously delivered

Surgical scaling

Contract-driven tests

Organized around teams



The Supporting Infrastructure for Microservices



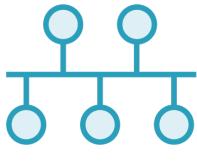
Service discovery



Token-based security



Circuit breaker



Messaging



Externalized configuration



API gateway



Modern Data Management



Scalable, on-demand databases per microservice



Favor event sourcing and CQRS pattern



Use intelligent caching to improve resilience



Application Delivery Patterns



Fast Feedback via Continuous integration



Version control is a must

Trunk-based development

Often coupled with test-driven development

CI jobs triggered on code check-in

Test in production-like environments



Packaging up Software



Include configuration and code



Build service generates artifacts



Containers are a useful packaging structure



Artifact repositories play a key role



Continuously Deliver Value

Small changes, regularly shipped

Same binaries in each environment

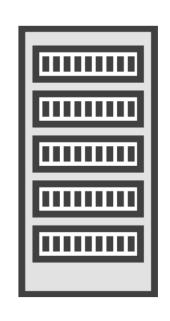
Multiple strategies for lowimpact deployments Smoke test and watch metrics to ensure healthy releases



Application Infrastructure Patterns



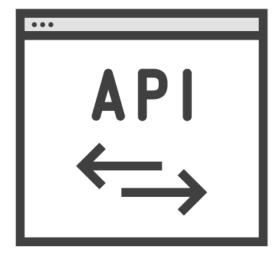
API-driven Infrastructure



Immutable infrastructure



Observable systems



APIs for interacting with infrastructure



Chaos engineering to fight fragility



Application Team Patterns



Empowered, Customer-Focused Teams

DevOps-style teams build and run services Platform Ops for managing underlying systems

Site Reliability
Engineering
applies software
engineering
approach to
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