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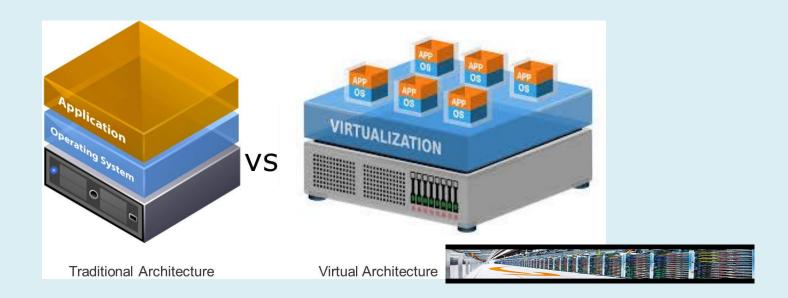


Software execution



Virtual machines

- Software runs on a "virtual machine"
- A virtual machine is software that acts like a physical machine



Why not run directly on the hardware?

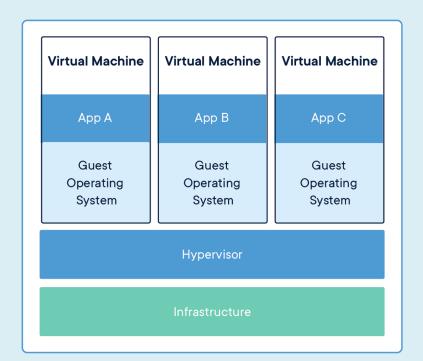
The extra layer(s) introduce complexity and some inefficiency, but...

- Servers are big, share between customers
- Allow software to run anywhere in AWS
- Problems in one app do not impact others
 - Hardware-enforced isolation between apps...
- Allows live migration to another machine
 - e.g. if you need more cores or RAM



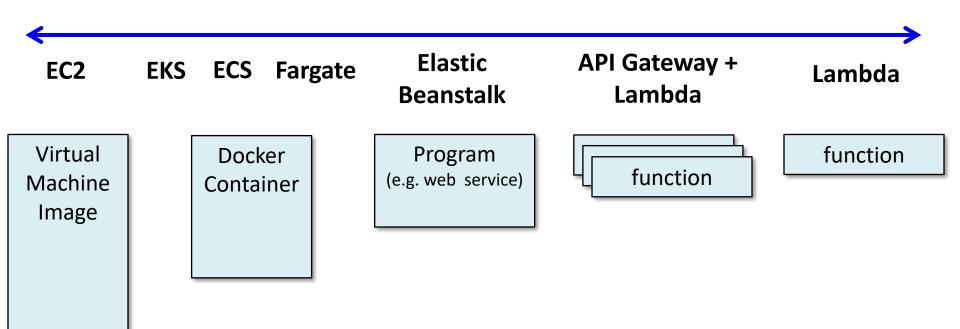
Example

- My laptop is running Microsoft's Hyper-V
- On top of Hyper-V is Windows and Ubuntu





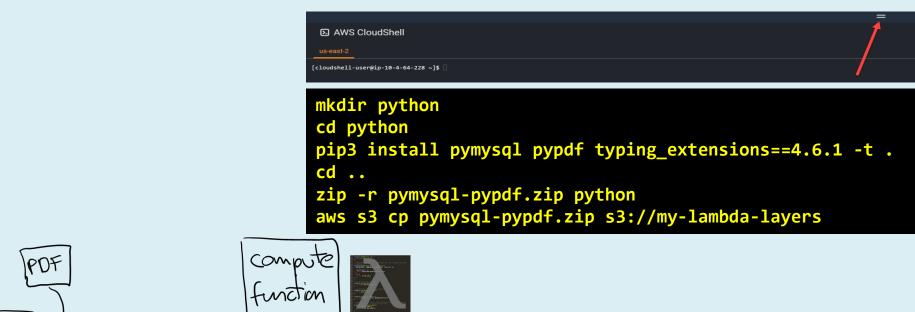
Software packaging options

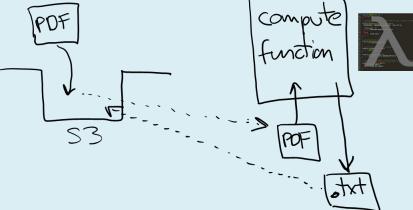




Example: Project 03

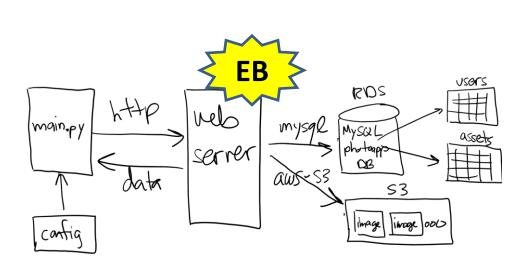
- Used lambda to deploy compute function
 - We configured AWS, uploaded code, and AWS did the rest...





Example: Project 02

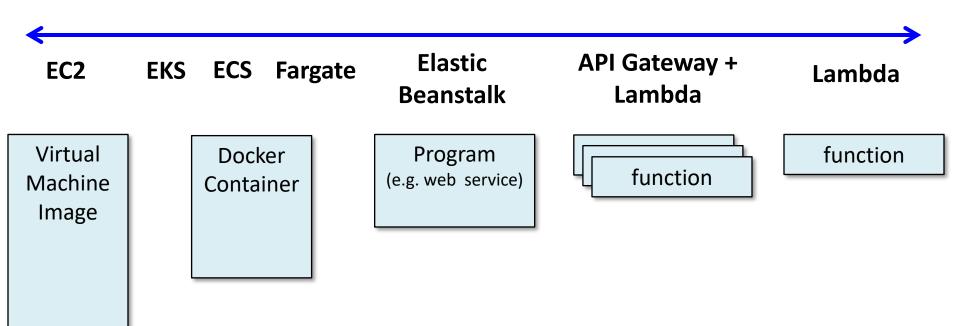
- Used Elastic Beanstalk to host our web service
 - We configured AWS, uploaded .zip, AWS did the rest



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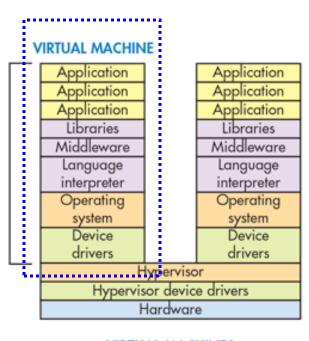
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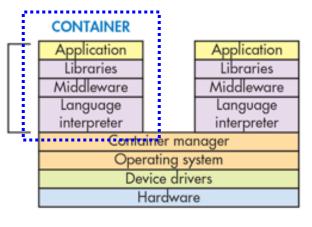
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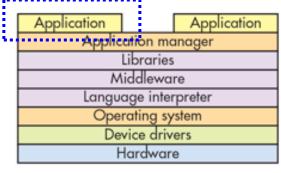




Software packaging trade-offs







VIRTUAL MACHINES

CONTAINERS

SERVERLESS

Software development operations (DevOps)

Running in AWS frees you from *hardware* concerns, but many software operational concerns remain. These are all called **DevOps**:

- Install and configure 3rd party software:
 - databases, web servers, libraries, distributed caches, message queues, coordination tools, etc.
- Deploy new versions of your application when released
- Monitor application and OS health:
 - OS security updates, log files, CPU utilization, cleanup disk space, vacuum database, etc.
- Manage security:
 - Configure users, set/rotate passwords/keys, monitor network traffic / logins / access

That's it, thank you!