



# Terraforming Azure

## Building Resources via Infrastructure as Code

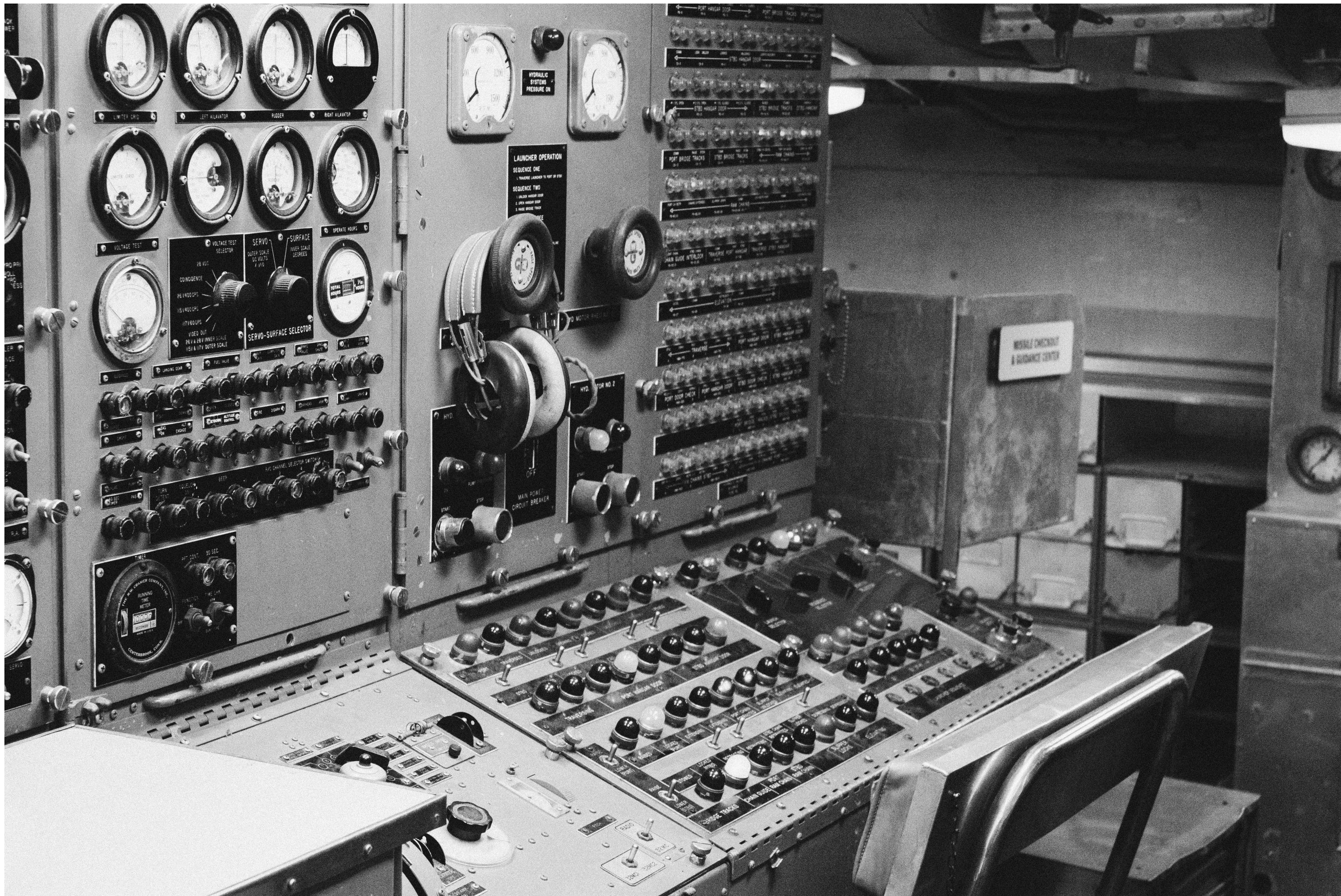
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Provision, secure, connect, and run any infrastructure for any application



# What is the industry up to?

The Good Ol' Days





# What is the industry up to?

The golden era of datacenters



Over time...things changed

Business took note of technology  
and it was good...

Built massive complex datacenters

Servers, networks, programs were  
deployed and routines were set up  
to maintain...

# What is the industry up to?

Then 2007 happened...





# What is the industry up to?

Apps are suddenly important because...I need to share what I had for breakfast



The smartphone, paired with the app made information and data easily and quickly consumable at any time from anywhere

**Systems of engagement were born**

Business took note of and suddenly things weren't good enough to influence and catch customers' attention, things needed to happen more quickly

But IT processes were slow...

Necessity is the mother of all invention



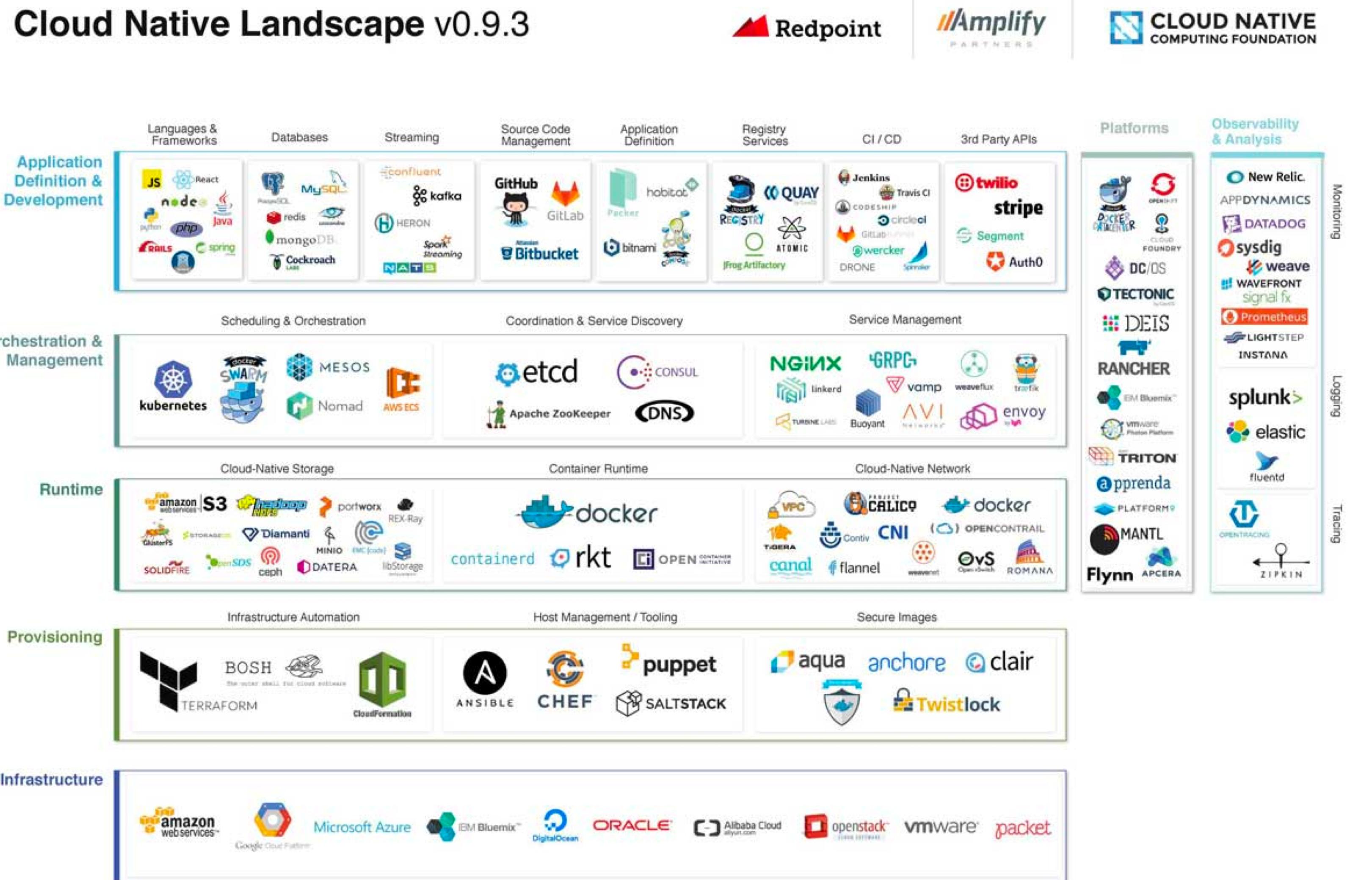
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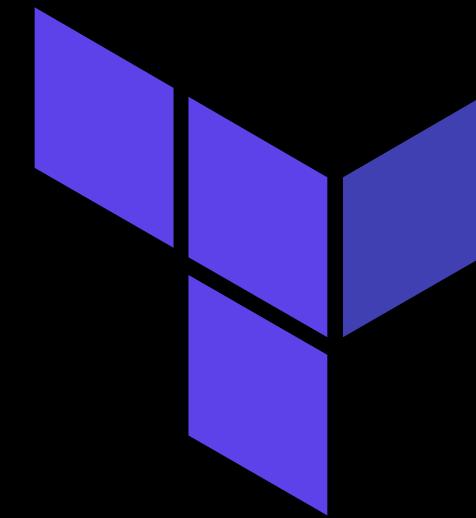
From the good ol' days to the cloudy days...speed is the new currency



# What is the industry up to?

# New methods and software to meet the speed of business



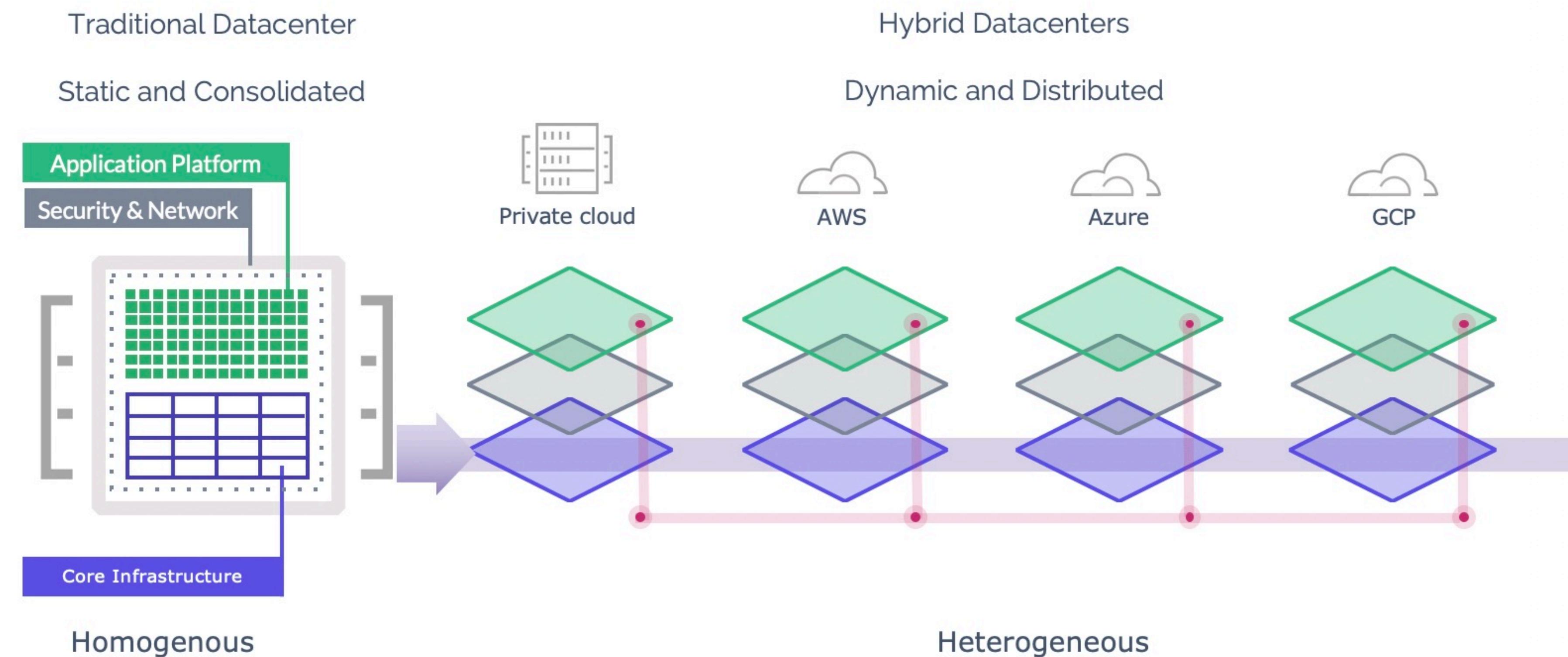


HashiCorp  
**Terraform**

Infrastructure as Code

# The shift from static to dynamic infrastructure ⚡

## 4 planes in the cloud



# Typical Deployment Methods



Ol' reliable “Click Ops” – aka use that GUI!

Microsoft Azure

Create a resource

Home

Dashboard

All services

FAVORITES

All resources

Resource groups

App Services

Function Apps

SQL databases

Azure Cosmos DB

Virtual machines

Load balancers

Storage accounts

Azure services See all (100+)

Virtual machines

Storage accounts

App Services

Microsoft Learn

Azure Monitor

Recent resources See all your recent resources > See all your

NAME	TYPE
Terraform	Subscription

Virtual machines

azure (Default Directory)

+ Add Reservations ... More

Filter by name...

NAME ↑

f3b9bccf-vm  
scnewtest00  
scnewtest02

Basics Disks Networking Management Advanced Tags Review + create

Create a virtual machine that runs Linux or Windows. Select an image from Azure marketplace or use your own customized image. Complete the Basics tab then Review + create to provision a virtual machine with default parameters or review each tab for full customization. Looking for classic VMs? [Create VM from Azure Marketplace](#)

PROJECT DETAILS

Select the subscription to manage deployed resources and costs. Use resource groups like folders to organize and manage all your resources.

\* Subscription Microsoft Azure Sponsorship (PAYG)(Converted to EA)  
\* Resource group Select existing... Create new

INSTANCE DETAILS

\* Virtual machine name scnewtest00  
\* Region (US) East US  
Availability options No infrastructure redundancy required  
\* Image Ubuntu Server 16.04 LTS  
Browse all images  
\* Size Standard D2s v3  
2 vcpus, 8 GB memory  
Change size

Review + create Previous Next : Disks >

Virtual machines

Virtual machines (0)

+ Add Reservations ... More

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Virtual machine

Search (Ctrl+)

Overview

Activity log

Access control (IAM)

Tags

Diagnose and solve problems

Settings

Networking

Disks

Size

Security

Extensions

Continuous delivery (Preview)

Availability set

Configuration

Identity

DoNotDelete : true Owner : team-se@hashicorp.com

Show data for last: 1 hour 6 hours 12 hours 1 day 7 days 30 days

CPU (average)

Network (total)



# Typical Deployment Methods

We'll knock it up a notch – use the native cloud provisioning tool

Azure / [azure-quickstart-templates](#)

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```
"type": "Microsoft.Compute/virtualMachines",
"apiVersion": "2018-10-01",
"name": "[variables('vmName')]",
"location": "[parameters('location')]",
"dependsOn": [
    "[resourceId('Microsoft.Storage/storageAccounts/', variables('storageAccountName'))]",
    "[resourceId('Microsoft.Network/networkInterfaces/', variables('nicName'))]"
],
"properties": {
    "hardwareProfile": {
        "size": "[variables('vmSize')]"
    },
    "osProfile": {
        "computerName": "[variables('vmName')]",
        "adminUsername": "[parameters('adminUsername')]",
        "adminPassword": "[parameters('adminPasswordOrKey')]",
        "linuxConfiguration": "[if(equals(parameters('authenticationType'), 'password'), json('null'), variables('linuxConfiguration'))]"
    },
    "storageProfile": {
        "imageReference": {
            "publisher": "[variables('imagePublisher')]",
            "offer": "[variables('imageOffer')]",
            "sku": "[parameters('ubuntuOSVersion')]",
            "version": "latest"
        },
        "osDisk": {
            "createOption": "FromImage"
        },
        "dataDisks": [
            {
                "diskSizeGB": 1023,
                "lun": 0,
                "createOption": "Empty"
            }
        ]
    }
}
```



# Typical Deployment Methods

Ol' Zeke is a master scripter – we can blend multiple tools

```
#!/bin/bash
set -euo pipefail
IFS=$'\n\t'

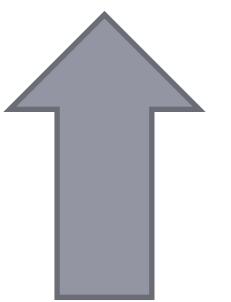
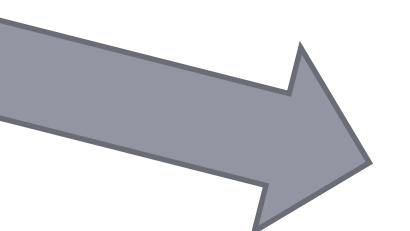
# -e: immediately exit if any command has a non-zero exit status
# -o: prevents errors in a pipeline from being masked
# IFS new value is less likely to cause confusing bugs when looping arrays or arguments (e.g. $@)

usage() { echo "Usage: $0 -i <subscriptionId> -g <resourceGroupName> -n <deploymentName> -l <resourceGroupLocation>" 1>&2; exit }

declare subscriptionId=""
declare resourceGroupName=""
declare deploymentName=""
declare resourceGroupLocation=""

# Initialize parameters specified from command line
while getopts ":i:g:n:l:" arg; do
    case "${arg}" in
        i)
            subscriptionId=${OPTARG}
            ;;
        g)
            resourceGroupName=${OPTARG}
            ;;
        n)
            deploymentName=${OPTARG}
            ;;
        l)
            resourceGroupLocation=${OPTARG}
            ;;
    esac
done
shift $((OPTIND-1))

#Prompt for parameters is some required parameters are missing
if [[ -z "$subscriptionId" ]]; then
    echo "Subscription Id:"
    read subscriptionId
```



PowerShell



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# Infrastructure As Code

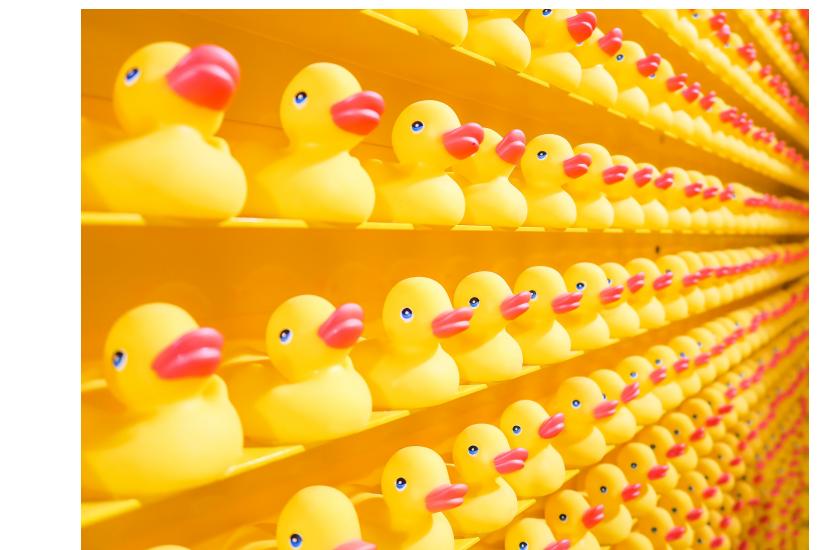
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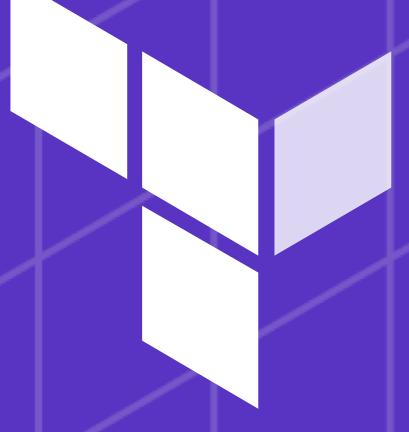
“The process of creating, deploying and managing your infrastructure resources (datacenters) via machine-readable definition files”

- A means to declaratively define a workflow to create your infrastructure
- Gives the ability to build new infrastructure as well as modify existing infrastructure in an automated fashion
- Utilize software development techniques and application code workflows applied to your infrastructure (eg. code review, CI/CD, Git, Azure DevOps)
- Immutable / idempotent
- Reusable modules – create repeatable standards and remove duplication of effort



vs.





## Infrastructure As Code

### What is it?

Easy to think of it more as **executable documentation**

### Benefits

- Infrastructure is documented
- Policies and security requirements are enforced
- You enable cross team collaboration
- Remove the back and forth / work-stop-work-stop churn

# Terraform Deployment Method



Abstraction and automation through codification – read / share / collaborate

- Uses a DSL known as HCL (HashiCorp Configuration Language)
- Workflows, not technology – use a consistent workflow to provision infrastructure while preserving uniqueness of each provider – work by declarative state: **init / plan / apply / destroy**
- Operate on state – know what's there and should be there / don't deviate
- Support for over 160 providers – 80 HashiCorp supported providers / 80+ community providers – write your own provider

```
...
resource "azurerm_resource_group" "vaultworkshop" {
  name = "${var.prefix}-vault-workshop"
  location = "${var.location}"
}

resource "azurerm_virtual_network" "vnet" {
  name = "${var.prefix}-vnet"
  location = "${azurerm_resource_group.vaultworkshop.location}"
  address_space = ["${var.address_space}"]
  resource_group_name = "${azurerm_resource_group.vaultworkshop.name}"
}

resource "azurerm_subnet" "subnet" {
  name = "${var.prefix}-subnet"
  virtual_network_name = "${azurerm_virtual_network.vnet.name}"
  resource_group_name = "${azurerm_resource_group.vaultworkshop.name}"
  address_prefix = "${var.subnet_prefix}"
```



# How Terraform forms terra

in other words...to the code



# Thank You

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