

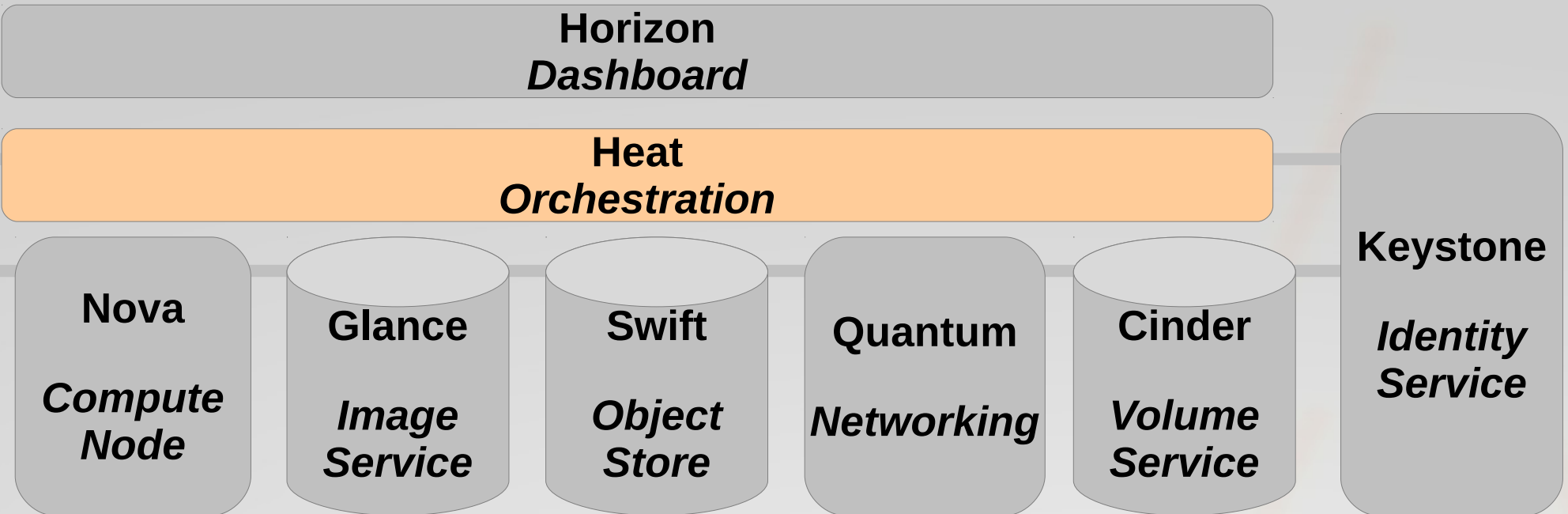
# Introduction to Heat API

## Orchestration for Openstack



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# Heat Overview



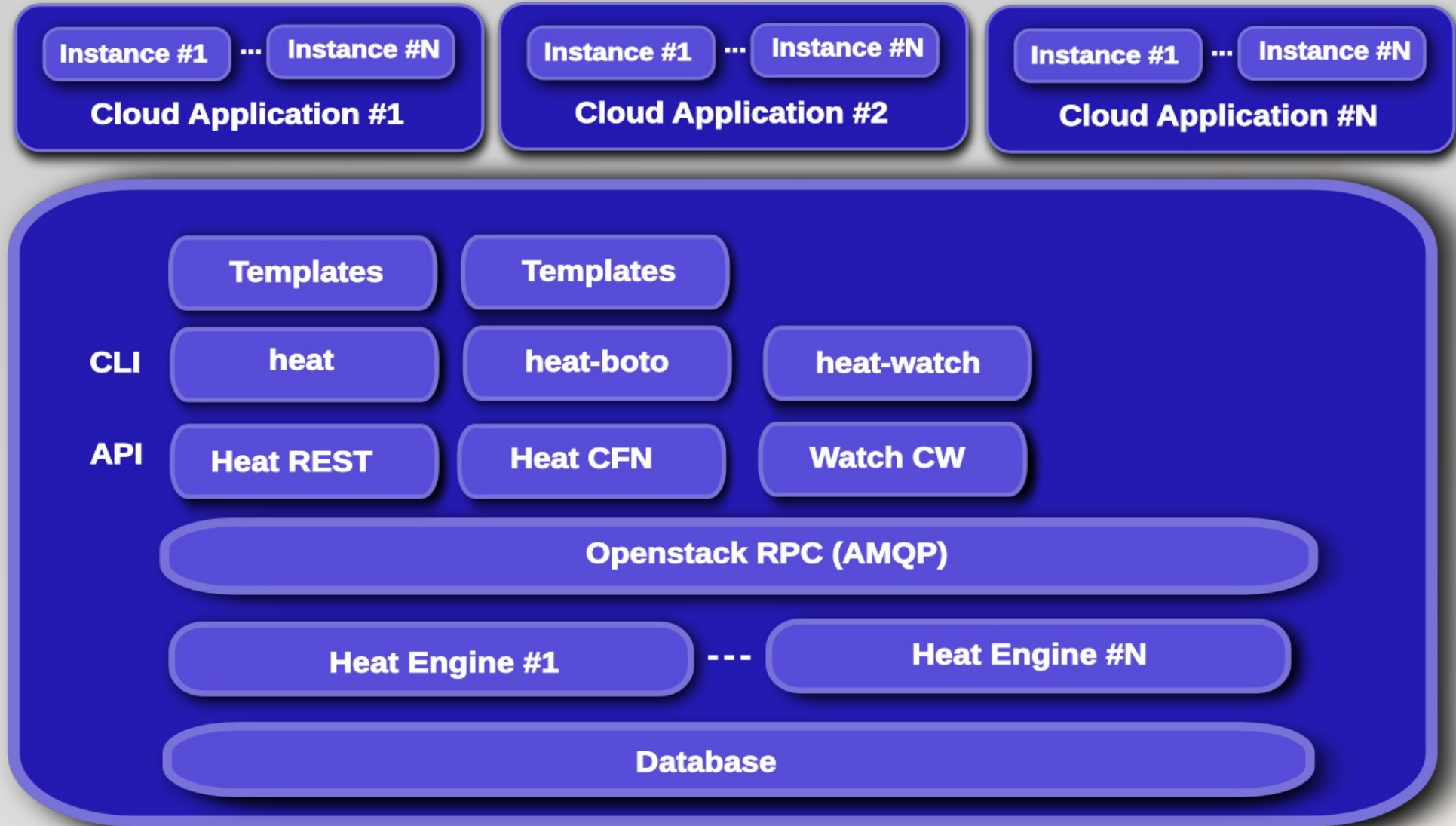
- Provides AWS Cloudformation and native ReST API
- Abstract configuration of services to single-template
- HA/Autoscaling/Monitoring features
- Openstack incubated project

# Heat Overview



- Orchestration of Openstack deployments
- Integrates with all Openstack core projects
- Converts a JSON template into a cloud application
- Implements well known template and API (AWS Cloudformation, also YAML, ReST)
- Version your cloud applications like your software
- Repeatable deployments, fully automated

# Heat Overview



# Heat API



## Heat API

### Template

Parameters

Mappings

Resources

**Life Cycle Operations**  
Create, Delete, Update

**Introspection Operations**  
List, Describe, EventsList

# Heat API : Key features



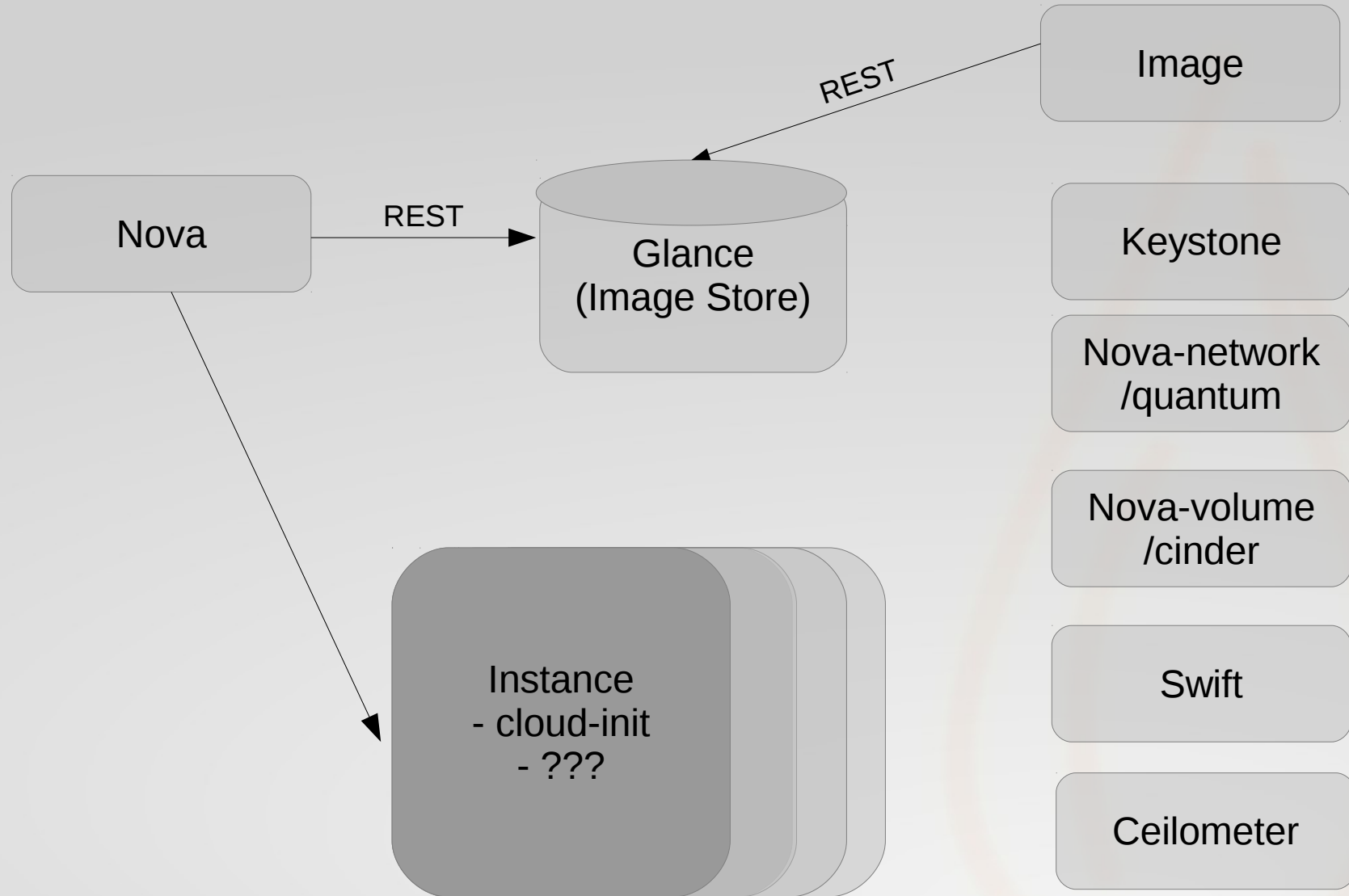
- Compatibility with AWS Cloudformation (template/API)
- Also superset of OS native resources & ReST API
- Fully open community project (come get involved!)
- Incubated project, aiming for \$core
- Implements HA (service/instance/stack)
- Implements Instance Autoscaling
- Watch/Monitoring API (will move to Ceilometer)
- Pluggable resource implementations
- Watch this space!



# Nova Instance Lifecycle

- Base OS image stored in glance
- Deployment-time configuration/customization
- Cloud-init (nova user/metadata)
- Puppet/Chef/Scripts/???
- Potentially complex
- Everyone rolling-their-own solutions
- High maintenance overhead

# Nova Instance Lifecycle



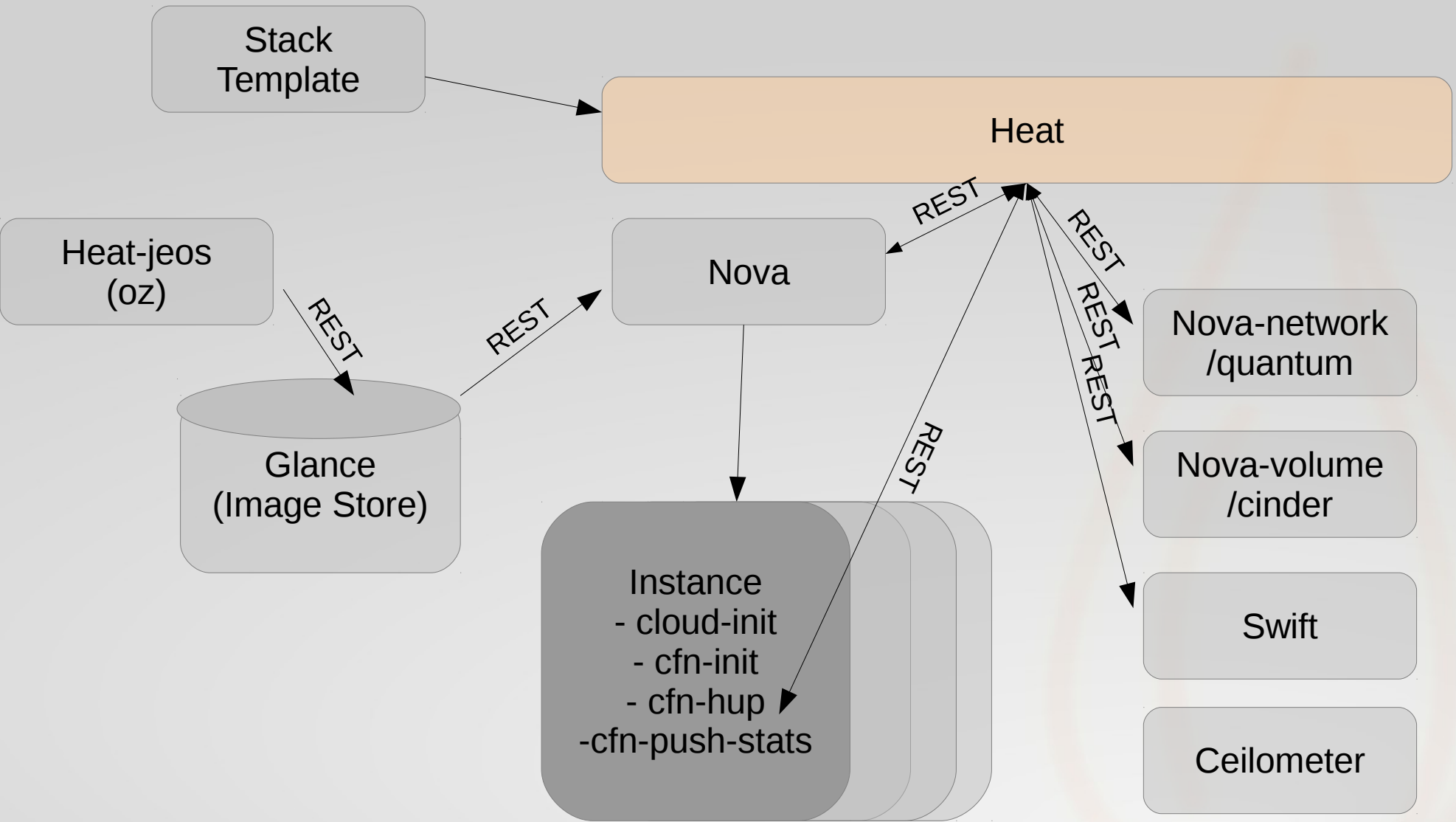


# Heat Stack lifecycle

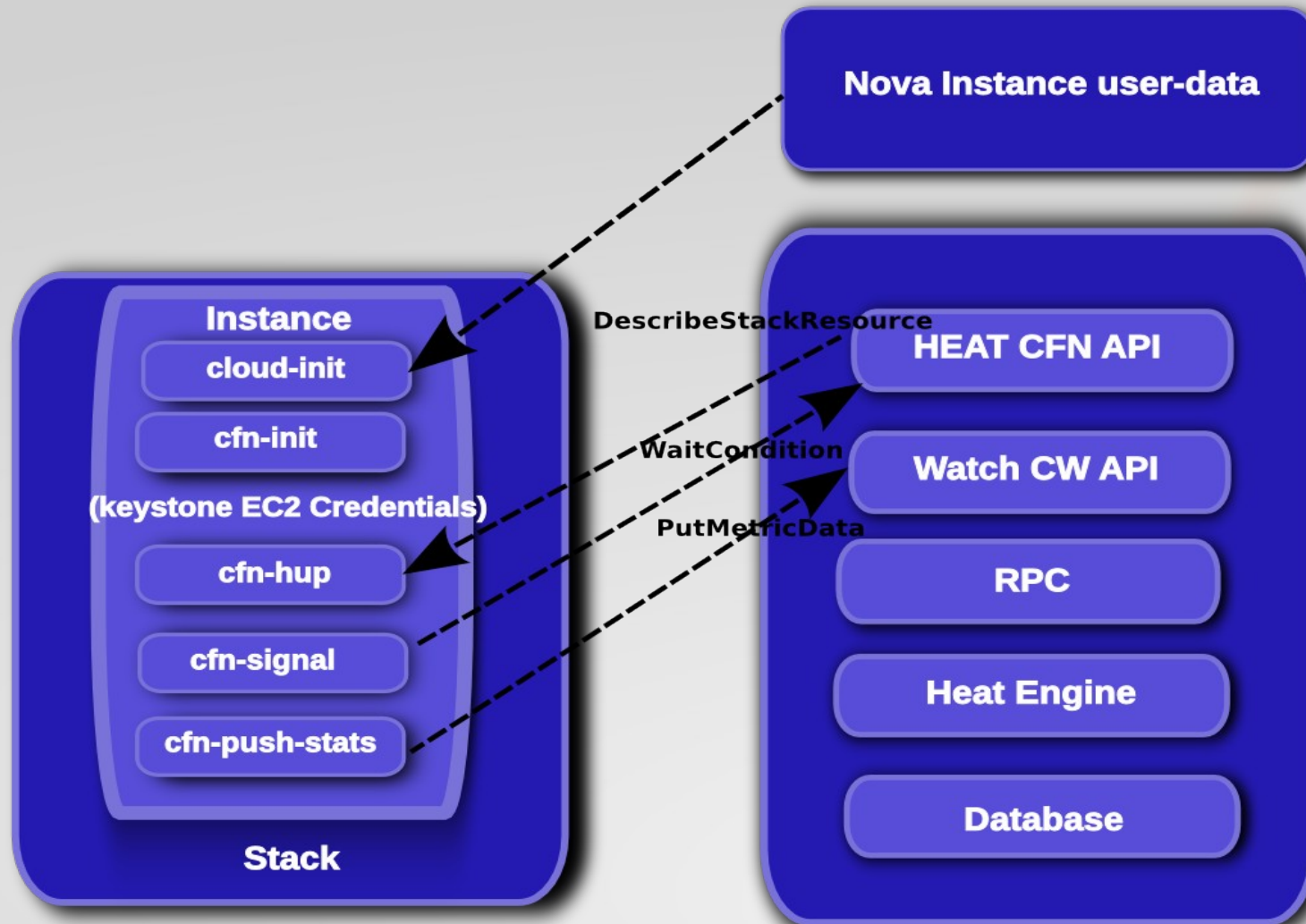


- Base OS image stored in glance
- Deploy instances & configure services based on template contents (resources)
- Deployment-time configuration/customization
- Very flexible, but much reduced complexity
- Cloud-init (nova user/metadata), plus cfn-init
- Puppet/Chef can still be used if you want!
- Fully integrated single-service solution

# Heat Stack lifecycle



# Heat Stack lifecycle





# Why Heat/orchestration?

- Orchestration makes things repeatable
- Much easier to provide “on demand” infrastructure
- Much less scripting, single template system
- Leverage the power of openstack without learning fine detail of every service (learn one set of APIs/tools)
- Portability/migration
- Version/tag/branch your infrastructure like code!
- Composed templates/modularity
- Pluggable, user-modifiable resource implementations
- Open(stack) community project :)

# Template Parameters



## Definition:

```
"Parameters" : {  
  "InstanceType" : {  
    "Description" : "WebServer EC2 instance type",  
    "Type" : "String",  
    "Default" : "m1.large",  
    "AllowedValues" : [ "t1.micro", "m1.small", "m1.large",  
      "m1.xlarge", "m2.xlarge", "m2.2xlarge", "m2.4xlarge",  
      "c1.medium", "c1.xlarge", "cc1.4xlarge" ],  
    "ConstraintDescription" : "must be a valid instance type."  
  },  
}
```

## Using the Parameter:

```
{ "Ref" : "InstanceType" }
```

# Template Mappings



## Definition:

```
"Mappings": {  
  "DistroArch2Inst": {  
    "F16" : { "32" : "F16-i386-cfntools", "64" : "F16-x86_64-cfntools" },  
    "F17" : { "32" : "F17-i386-cfntools", "64" : "F17-x86_64-cfntools" },  
    "U10" : { "32" : "U10-i386-cfntools", "64" : "U10-x86_64-cfntools" }  
  }  
}
```

## Using the Mapping:

```
"ImageId": {  
  "Fn::FindInMap" : [  
    "DistroArch2Inst", { "Ref" : "Distribution" }, { "Ref" : "Arch" }  
  ]  
}
```



# Template Resources

```
Resources {  
  "WikiDatabase": {  
    "Type" : "AWS::EC2::Instance",  
    .. bunch of stuff ...  
  },  
  
  "DatabaseIPAddress" : {  
    "Type" : "AWS::EC2::EIP"  
  },  
  
  "DatabaseIPAssoc" : {  
    "Type" : "AWS::EC2::EIPAssociation",  
    "Properties" : {  
      "InstanceId" : { "Ref" : "WikiDatabase" },  
      "EIP" : { "Ref" : "DatabaseIPAddress" }  
    }  
  }  
}
```



# Template Resources (YAML)

Resources:

**WebServer:**

Type: AWS::EC2::Instance

..bunch of stuff..

**IPAddress:** {Type: 'AWS::EC2::EIP'}

**IPAssoc:**

Type: AWS::EC2::EIPAssociation

Properties:

InstanceId: {Ref: **WebServer**}

EIP: {Ref: **IPAddress**}



# Heat Resource Types



## Parameters

Type  
Default  
Allowedvalues  
AllowedPattern  
MaxLength

MaxValue  
Minvalue  
Description  
ConstraintDescription

## Other

Fn::Base64  
Fn::FindInMap  
Fn::GetAtt  
Fn::Join  
Ref

AWS::Region  
AWS::StackName  
DependsOn  
MetaData

## Resources

AWS::EC2::Volume  
AWS::EC2::CustomerGateway

EC2::DhcpOption  
EC2::InternetGateway  
EC2::NetworkAcl  
EC2::NetworkAclEntry  
EC2::Route  
EC2::RouteTable  
EC2::Subnet

AWS::EC2::VPNGateway

AWS::AutoScaling::AutoScalingGroup  
AWS::AutoScaling::LaunchConfiguraion

AWS::AutoScaling::ScalingPolicy  
AWS::AutoScaling::Trigger  
AWS::CloudFormation::Authentication  
AWS::CloudFormation::Stack  
AWS::CloudFormation::WaitCondition  
AWS::CloudFormation::WaitConditionHand  
AWS::CloudWatch::AlarmAWS::EC2::Volum  
AWS::EC2::EIP  
AWS::EC2::EIPAssociation  
AWS::EC2::Instance  
AWS::EC2::SecurityGroup

# Heat Image Contents



## Instance Image

**cloud-init**

**cfntools**

**Distribution JEOS**

**Just Enough Operating System**

**Fedora/Ubuntu/RHEL/CentOS/...**

# Heat Image Creation



## Image Creation

**heat-jeos**

**OZ tdl**

**Oz**

**Upstream Repo**

**Glance**

# Demonstration of High Availability



```
"Resources": {
  "WebServerRestartPolicy": {
    "Type": "HEAT::HA::Restarter"
    "Properties": {
      "InstanceId": { "Ref": "WikiServer" }
    }
  },
  "HttpFailureAlarm": {
    "Type": "AWS::CloudWatch::Alarm",
    "Properties": {
      "AlarmDescription": "Restart the
      WikiDatabase if httpd fails > 3 times
      In 5 minutes",
      "MetricName": "ServiceFailure",
      "Namespace": "system/linux",
      "Statistic": "SampleCount",
      "Period": "300",
      "EvaluationPeriods": "1",
      "Threshold": "2",
      "AlarmActions": [ { "Ref":
"WebServerRestartPolicy" } ],
      "ComparisonOperator":
"GreaterThanThreshold"
    }
  },
  "WebServer": {
    "Type": "AWS::EC2::Instance",
    "Metadata": {
      "AWS::CloudFormation::Init": {
        "config": {
          "files": {
```

```
"/etc/cfn/notify-on-httpd-restarted" : {
  "content" : { "Fn::Join" : [ "", [
    "#!/bin/sh\n",
    "/opt/aws/bin/cfn-push-stats --watch ",
    { "Ref": "HttpFailureAlarm" },
    " --service-failure\n"
  ] ] },
},
"/tmp/cfn-hup-crontab.txt" : {
  "content" : { "Fn::Join" : [ "", [
    "MAIL=\"\"\n",
    "\n",
    "* * * * * /opt/aws/bin/cfn-hup -f\n"
  ] ] },
},
"/etc/cfn/hooks.conf" : {
  "content": { "Fn::Join" : [ "", [
    "[cfn-http-restarted]\n",
    "triggers=service.restarted\n",
    "path=Resources.WebServer.Metadata\n",
    "action=/etc/cfn/notify-on-httpd-
restarted\n",
    "runas=root\n"
  ] ] },
}
}
}
... more instance stuff ...
}}
```

# Demonstration of Autoscaling



```
"Resources": {
  "WebServerGroup": {
    "Type": "AWS::AutoScaling::AutoScalingGroup",
    "Properties": {
      "AvailabilityZones": { "Fn::GetAZs" : "" },
      "LaunchConfigurationName": { "Ref" : "LaunchConfig" },
      "MinSize": "1",
      "MaxSize": "3",
      "LoadBalancerNames": [ { "Ref" : "ElasticLoadBalancer" } ]
    },
  },
  "WebServerScaleUpPolicy": {
    "Type": "AWS::AutoScaling::ScalingPolicy",
    "Properties": {
      "AdjustmentType": "ChangeInCapacity",
      "AutoScalingGroupName": { "Ref" : "WebServerGroup" },
      "Cooldown": "60",
      "ScalingAdjustment": "1"
    },
  },
  "WebServerScaleDownPolicy": {
    "Type": "AWS::AutoScaling::ScalingPolicy",
    "Properties": {
      "AdjustmentType": "ChangeInCapacity",
      "AutoScalingGroupName": { "Ref" : "WebServerGroup" },
      "Cooldown": "60",
      "ScalingAdjustment": "-1"
    },
  },
  "MEMAlarmHigh": {
    "Type": "AWS::CloudWatch::Alarm",
    "Properties": {
      "AlarmDescription": "Scale-up",
      "MetricName": "MemoryUtilization",
      "Namespace": "system/linux",
      "Statistic": "Average",
      "Period": "60",
      "EvaluationPeriods": "1",
      "Threshold": "50",
      "AlarmActions": [ { "Ref": "WebServerScaleUpPolicy" } ],
      "Dimensions": [
        {
          "Name": "AutoScalingGroupName",
          "Value": { "Ref": "WebServerGroup" }
        }
      ],
      "ComparisonOperator": "GreaterThanThreshold"
    },
  },
}
```

# In Closing



- Users and developers wanted!
  - Connect with the community via IRC on #heat@freenode
  - Check out the repository:  
<https://github.com/openstack/heat>
  - Read the Documentation:  
<http://wiki.openstack.org/Heat/>
- Heat simple but powerful method for orchestrating OpenStack environments

# Questions?

