



Node.js & ContainerPilot

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Benefits of Containers

- consistent environments, immutable
- operations that developers can do, speeding up delivery of software
- OS level virtualization, more performant than VM

Docker pitfall - PID 1

- bring your own init (BYOI)
- container inits exist: tini, dumb-init, my_init

Docker pitfall - lifecycle

- need setup and teardown hooks in container
- perform initialization before starting
- perform cleanup (finish writes) before container is killed

Microservice pitfall - load balancer

- subdomains setup for environment (qa, stg, prod)... mistakes will happen, not uncommon for a prod service to point to a QA service, oops
- with lots of microservices and hosts, misconfiguration is likely more common
- increased latency between services

Microservice pitfall - health

- indicate issue with service, or at least an issue between the load balancer and the service - can be unreliable source of truth
- sometimes perform full checks, db connection, memory usage, exposed as public endpoint (/health) ... can DoS a service



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ContainerPilot

Addresses previous issues + FOSS

ContainerPilot

- tool to automate a container's service discovery, life cycle management, and configuration portable, works anywhere docker does
- capabilities:
 - health checks
 - handles startup and shutdown of services
 - runs as pid 1 in the container
 - watches a service catalog for changes in related services
 - consul, etcd, zookeeper, etc.
 - automatically reconfigures service upon state change
- open-source, free: github.com/joyent/containerpilot



nodejs-example

github.com/autopilotpattern/nodejs-example

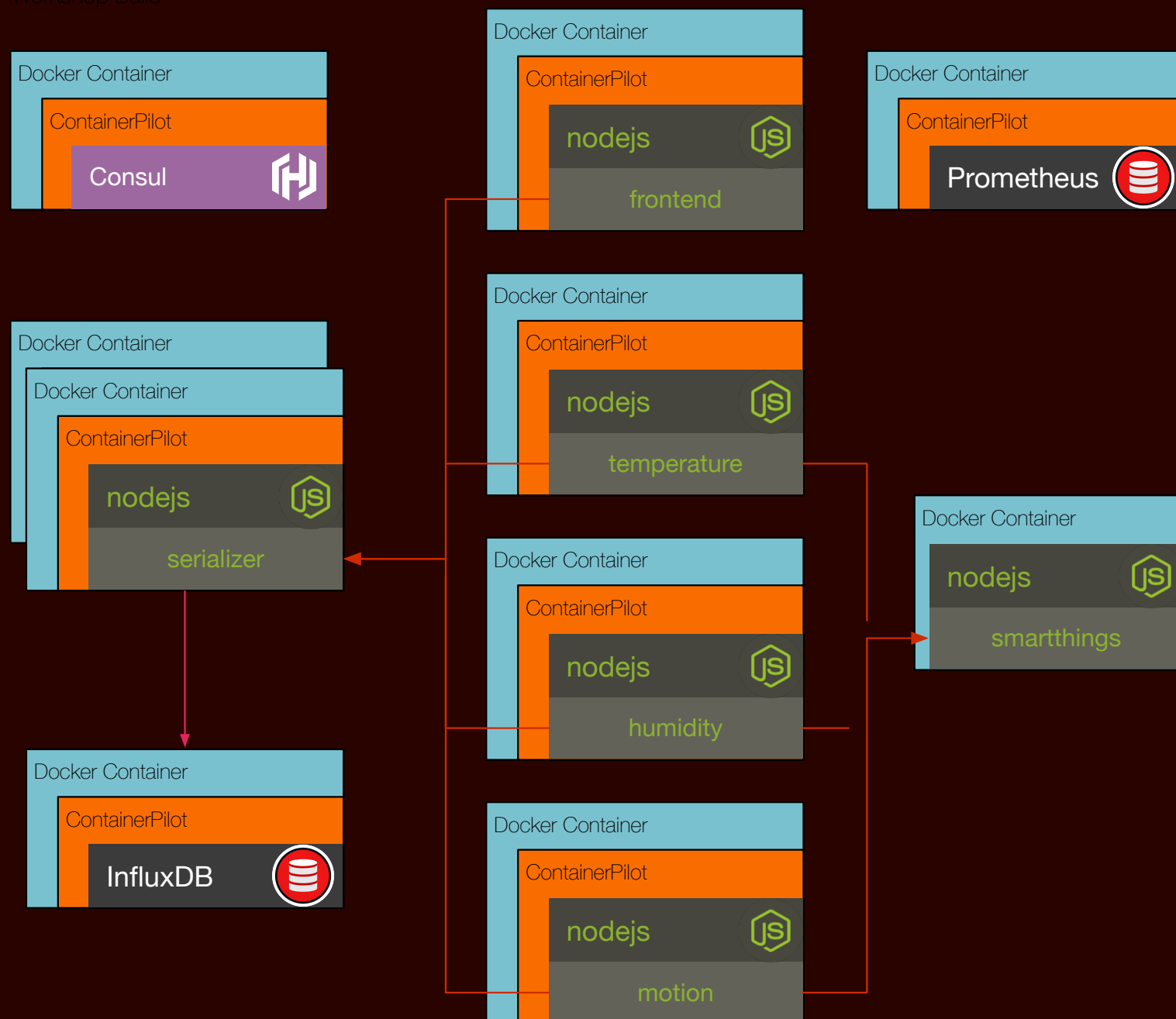
Node.js modules

- hapi - web API framework
- Seneca - microservices framework
- Piloted - ContainerPilot integration, relies on consul
- Wreck - simple module for making performant HTTP requests

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Workshop Build







Code & Demo

```
$ git clone https://github.com/autopilotpattern/nodejs-example.git
```

```
$ cd nodejs-example
```

```
$ EDITOR .
```

Recap

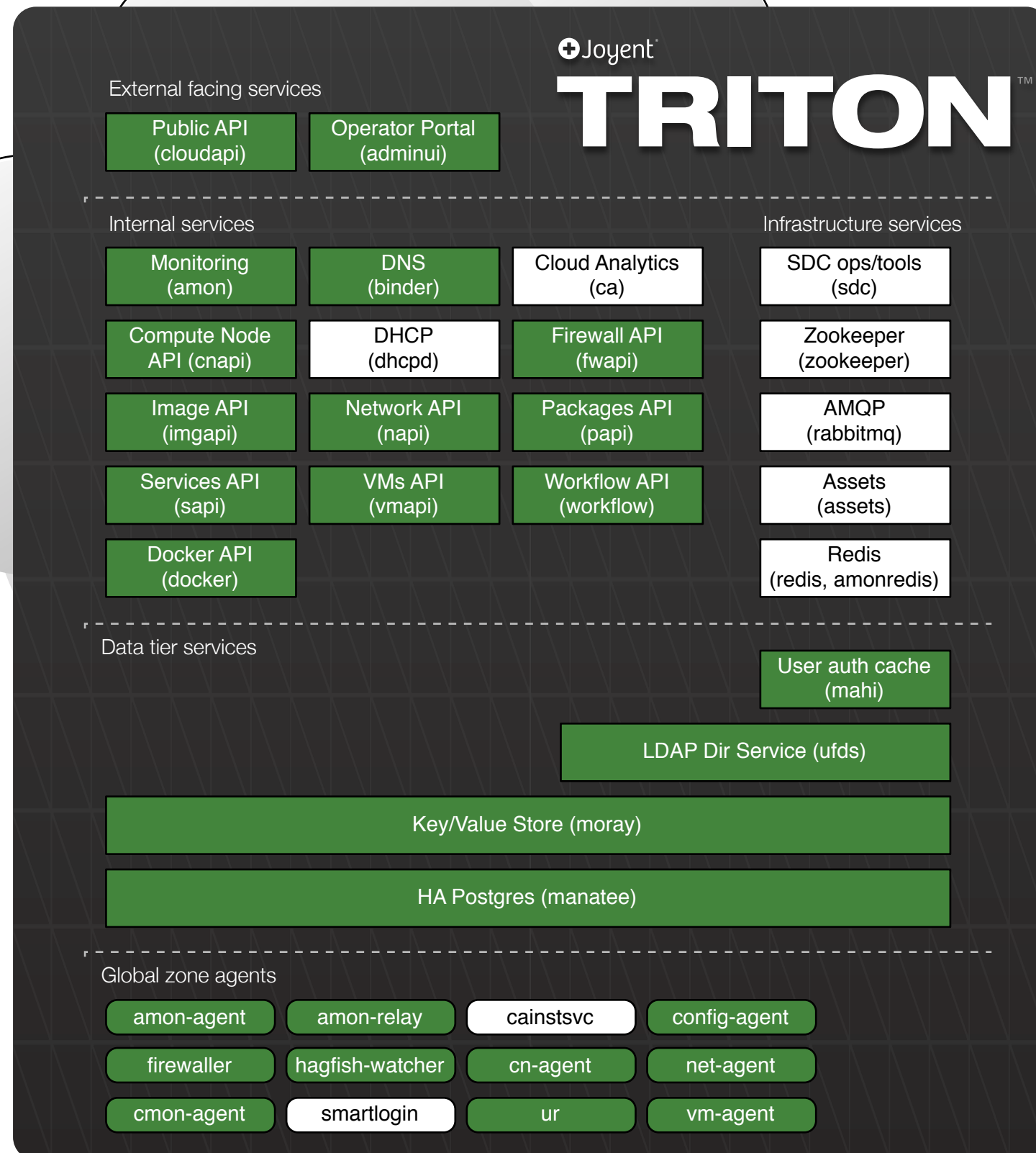
- Use ContainerPilot with Node.js docker containers (piloted module)
- Use consul for discovery (autopilotpattern/consul)
- Make microservices independently deployable and fault tolerant



Deploying to prod

Triton Provides

- Containers as a Service
 - Docker - The data center is the docker host
- Software for Public and Private deployment
- High Performance
- High Security
- Open Source!



Docker on Triton

- Docker Containers = Triton Instances
- No difference other than how they are managed
 - Docker - via Docker API (docker run etc)
 - Triton Instances - via CloudAPI (triton create)
- Based on LX instances
- Native networking
 - Each container gets its own IP address(es)
 - No port mapping as such. Firewall rules used to open “mapped” ports
 - Container name service, A Records for groups of services (e.g. consul.srv.us-sw-1.cns.joyent.com)

Docker on Triton - Demo

```
$ eval $(triton env)
```

```
$ docker-compose up -d
```

```
$ open http://$(triton ip nodejsexample_frontend_1)
```

```
$ docker logs -f nodejsexample_frontend_1
```



Questions?

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