

# **Bootstrapping HA Kubernetes Cluster on AWS using KOPS**



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# Agenda

**Kubernetes and its growth**

**Available Solutions for creating  
Kubernetes cluster**

**KOPS Introduction**

**Get Started with KOPS**

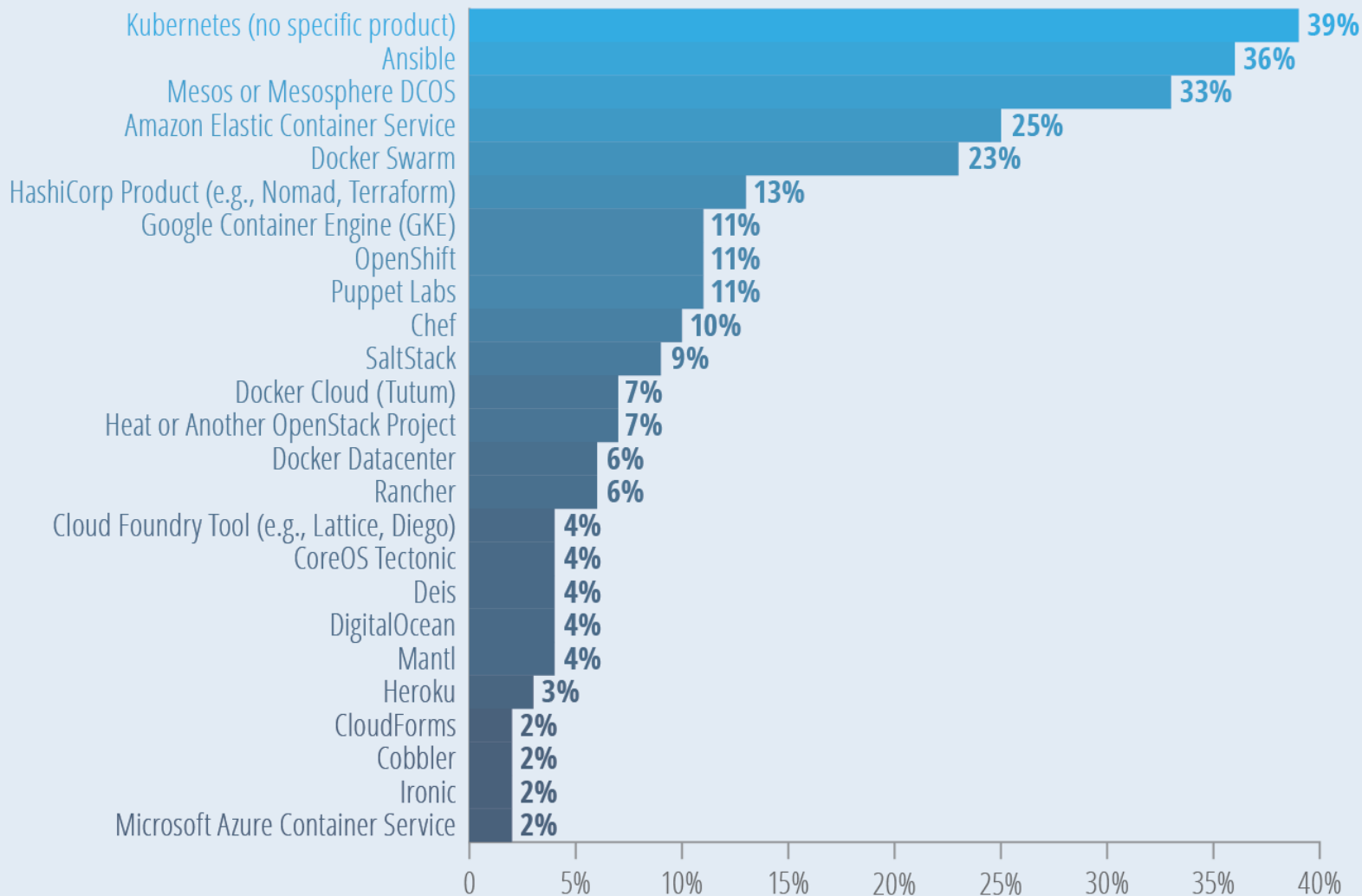
**KOPS CLI**

**Networking, Security and Higher  
Availability with KOPS**

**Kubernetes is one of the most  
adopted tool in container  
orchestration.**

# The New Stack Survey

## Top Orchestration Products Based on Expected Usage Within Next Year



Source: The New Stack Survey, March 2016. Within the next year, what are the top three products or services you expect to utilize to manage or orchestrate containers? n=114.

# **How to bootstrap Kubernetes Cluster?**

# Available Solutions

## **Independent Solutions:**

1. Minikube
2. Kubeadm

## **Hosted Solutions:**

1. Google Container Engine
2. Azure Container Service
3. IBM Bluemix Container Service

## **Custom Solutions:**

1. Kubernetes Operations (KOPS) for AWS
2. Kubespray formerly Kargo

And Much More.

# **Kubernetes Operations (KOPS)**

# Kubernetes and AWS



## kubernetes on Amazon Web Services

RECENT SURVEY SAYS

# 63%

host Kubernetes  
on Amazon Web  
Services

A 19 PERCENT INCREASE IN ONE YEAR

Major Companies Run  
Kubernetes on Amazon Web  
Services: **NCSoft, Ticketmaster,  
Vevo, and Zalando**

## Deployments By Environments



ON-PREMISE  
SERVERS



AMAZON WEB  
SERVICES (AWS)



GOOGLE CLOUD  
ENGINE (GCE)



MICROSOFT  
AZURE



GOOGLE CONTAINER  
ENGINE (GKE)

[www.kubernetes.io](http://www.kubernetes.io)  
[cncf.io](http://cncf.io)

SOURCE: CNCF Survey, March 2017  
[cncf.io/k8smar17survey](http://cncf.io/k8smar17survey)

Note: % totals to more than 100 because of companies using multiple environments



# KOPS

Tool to deploy highly available, production-grade Kubernetes cluster.

**AWS** is officially supported.

**GCP** and **VSphere** are in the initial support.

Generates **Terraform** and **Cloudformation** configuration files.

Supports custom Kubernetes Addons:

1. **Dashboard**
2. **Monitoring with Heapster**
3. **RBAC (Role Based Access Control)**

Maintained and supported by **CNCF** community.

# Get Started

**Kubectrl:** Install the latest stable version of Kubectrl.

**KOPS:** Install the latest stable version of KOPS (Kubernetes Operations)

Install Via:

**<https://github.com/kubernetes/kops/blob/master/docs/install.md>**

# Setting up Environment

AWS **Secret Key** and **Access Key** with following IAM roles:

**AmazonEC2FullAccess**

**AmazonRoute53FullAccess**

**AmazonS3FullAccess**

**IAMFullAccess**

**AmazonVPCFullAccess**

DNS Configuration

State Store for KOPS

# DNS Configuration

Optional for **KOPS 1.6.2 <**

Gossip based cluster (KOPS 1.6.2 <):  
Cluster name end with **.k8s.local**

Domain Name Scenarios:

- 1. Domain purchased/hosted on AWS**
- 2. Subdomain under domain purchased/hosted on AWS**
- 3. Domain purchased on another registrar***
- 4. Subdomain under domain purchased on another registrar**

# Private DNS and State Store

Private / Public DNS: Available in KOPS 1.5 +

Private DNS of AWS used with:  
**--dns flag**

**KOPS** stores the state of the cluster with AWS S3.

Uses **KOPS\_STATE\_STORE** environment variable.

# KOPS CLI

## **kops create cluster <clustername>**

Create the cloud specifications but not the actual resources. To create actual resources pass **--yes** flag.

***kops create cluster <clustername> --yes***

## **kops update cluster <clustername>**

Creates or updates the cloud resources to match the cluster spec.

***kops update cluster <clustername> --yes***

## **kops delete cluster <clustername>**

Delete the resources of the cluster also the cloud specification

***kops delete cluster <clustername> --yes***

# Modes in KOPS CLI

**--target:** Gives the terraform / cloud formation manifest.

**Example:** --target=terraform

**--kubernetes-version:** Specific K8S version

**Example:** --kubernetes-version=1.6.0

**--zones and --master-zones:** Launch master and nodes in multi AZ environment

**Example:** --zones=us-east-1b,us-east-1c

**--node-size and --master-size:** Specify the type of instances wrt AWS.

**Example:** --master-size=m4.large

**--dns-zone:** Change default DNS Zone

**Example:** --dns-zone=<my.hosted.zone>

**Whats more important for Production  
grade Kubernetes Cluster?**



- 1. Networking**
- 2. Security**
- 3. Higher Availability**

# Security in KOPS

Limit **AdminAccess** from public to specific IP's

Limit **IAMRole** Policies for Pods

Turn Off **AnonymousAuth** for Kubelet API

Using secrets for **API Bearer Token** and **Admin Access**

# Networking in KOPS

**Kubenet:** Default, limited with AWS 50 Nodes.  
Native with CNI Plugin.

**CNI:** Container Network Interface

1. Weave
2. Flannel
3. Calico

4. Canal (Flannel + Calico)

Requires: `--topology=private` , `--networking=`  
`<CNI-networking>`

**Classic:** Native in a process.

**External:** Custom. With **daemonsets**.

# HA with KOPS

Multi-AZ Master Nodes

Multi-AZ Nodes

Multi-master cluster (Odd number)

Cluster of etcd

Federation with KOPS

# Some Best Practices with KOPS

Versioning the S3 Bucket

Using preview mode for KOPS CLI

Using KOPS IAM user

Using Bastion Host

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