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Hello!!

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Who are you?

What is configuration Management?

Pet vs Cattle

Automation, automation, automation!

- Frees precious time
- Repeatable
- Best emergency/repair tool
- Best way to avoid any malicious modification

In Source Control

- Visibility
- Peer review
- History
- Versioned ⇒ Revertable

Why should CI/CD systems be handled as a Pet?

Automation objectives

- Provision new CI/CD cluster (or major components)
 - efficiently
 - repeatably
 - consistant
- Update the system
 - ex: change a setting, add a plugin

Automation objectives

- Peer-review mechanism for configuration changes
 - Keeps the audit/compliance team happy
- Easily manage very large CI/CD cluster
- Properly document the system
- support CI/CD power users
 - behind the scene warranty for creativity

Configuration Management philosophies

Golden Image

- in the early days
 - a lot of work to maintain
 - messy
 - "one size fits nobody"

Configuration Scripting

- Scripts solved a lot of these problems
 - added
 - readability
 - versioning
- At first ad hoc (bash) scripting
- then Chef, Puppet, Ansible, etc.

Golden Image revisited

- Docker/Containers
 - Golden Image new momentum
 - very short start time
 - o image definition description files (dockerfiles)
 - o particularly adapted to the Cloud scheduler (ex K8S)

But no silver bullet

- reality lies between
 - generalization (general purpose images)
 - need for fine grained customizations to adapt to the local constrains

Thank You!





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