REVATURE PROJECT 3
DEV-OPS PIPELINEFORCE

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# TEACH ME DEV OPS



# WHY DO WE USE DEV OPS?

- Deployment to Clientele
- Reduce Deployment Failures
  - Continuous Integration and Deployment
- Load Testing
- Application Monitoring



# Ansible + Initializing the Pipeline

## Objective

To automatically initialize the pipeline with as little manual interaction as possible.

## Approach

- Write a bash script that asks for pipeline parameters
- Create a parameterized Jenkins job template
- Utilize Ansible to automatically initialize jobs and webhooks
- Configure the Jenkins job to automatically send email notifications

#### What is Ansible?

- A simple and flexible IT automation engine that can automate
  - cloud provisioning
  - configuration management
  - application deployment



## Why Use Ansible For This Project?

- Need to automate multiple tasks with a simple command
- Communication with different hosts for job completion
  - Communicate with Jenkins to create jobs
  - Communicate with GitHub to create webhooks
- Easy to parameterize

#### Job Creation Workflow

```
"Please enter your Github username: " gitUser
"Please enter your Github API Token: " gitToken
               "Please enter your full repository url (including .git): " gitUrl "Please enter the name of the branch this pipeline will use: " gi
jenkinsUsername="svc revature" | Username for Jenkins authentication
echo $gitRepoFull
echo $gitRepoName
ansible-playbook test_job_create.yml -e "cause_string=$causeString token_val=$uniqueVal repo_url=$gitUrl git_branch=$gitBranch jenkins_url=$jenkinsUrl jenkins_job_name=$uniqueVal jenkins_user=$jenkinsUsername jenkins_pa
```

test\_job\_create.yml Triggers Playbook **Creates Job** from Template

Job: username\_repositoryName\_branchName

## Parameterizing the Jenkins Job

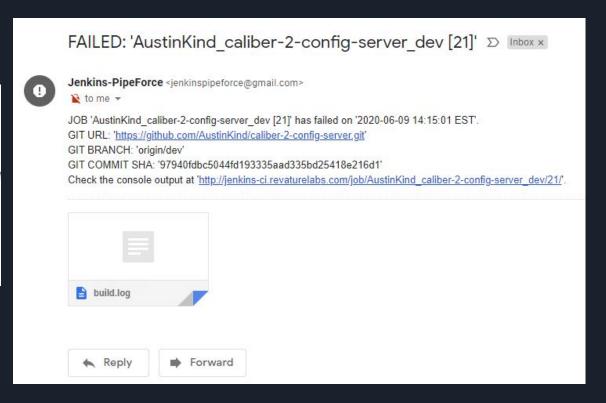
```
<org.jenkinsci.plugins.gwt.GenericTrigger plugin="generic-webhook-trigger@1.67">
       <spec></spec>
       <regexpFilterText></regexpFilterText>
       <printPostContent>false</printPostContent>
       <printContributedVariables>false</printContributedVariables>
       <causeString>{{cause string}}</causeString>
       <token>{{token>{\token val}}</token>
       <silentResponse>false</silentResponse>
       <overrideQuietPeriod>false</overrideQuietPeriod>
   </triggers>
 </org.jenkinsci.pluqins.workflow.job.properties.PipelineTriggersJobProperty>
</properties>
   <configVersion>2</configVersion>
    <userRemoteConfigs>
     <hudson.plugins.git.UserRemoteConfig>
       <url>{{repo url}}</url>
     </hudson.plugins.git.UserRemoteConfig>
    (/userRemoteConfigs>
    (branches>
       <name>*/{{git branch}}</name>
```

## Writing the Ansible Playbook

```
- hosts: localhost
 tasks:
         - name: create a jenkins job
           jenkins job:
                  config: "{{ lookup('template', 'templates/jenkins job.j2') }}"
                  password: "{{ jenkins password }}"
         - name: create webhook on github
           github webhook:
                 repository: "{{ git_repo }}"
                 url: "{{ payload url }}"
                  events:
                    - push
                  user: "{{ github user }}"
                  token: "{{ github token }}"
```

## Adding Email Notifications

```
post {
    failure {
        emailext (
            subject: "FAILED: '${env.JOB_NAME} [${env.BUILD_NUMBER}]'",
            body: "JOB '${env.JOB_NAME} [${env.BUILD_NUMBER}]' has failed on '${env.BUILD_TIMESTAM'
            to: "centerofexcellence@revature.com",
            attachLog: true
            )
     }
}
```



#### Hurdles & Solutions

#### Hurdles:

- Long wait to gain access to Revature's AWS network
- 2. Large scope (Jack of all trades)

#### Our Approach:

- Created our own Test servers for Jenkins and Ansible
- 2. Collaborated with other teams to determine Ansible role
  - a. Some roles are more suited towards other tools likeSpinnaker or Jenkins

#### Next Phase

- Automate the ECR repo creation
- Create a "Clean-up Playbook"
  - Delete unused Jenkins Jobs
  - Remove images created from builds

# Jenkins

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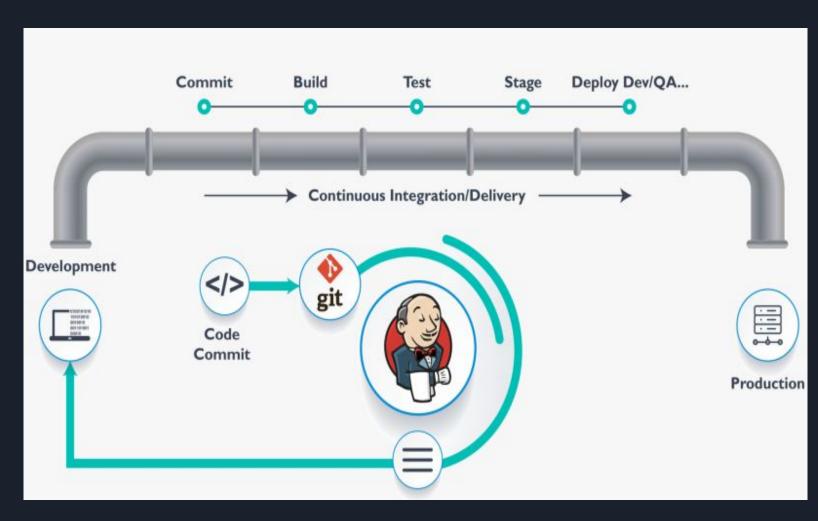
- ➤ What is Jenkins?
- How does it fit in DevOps?
- What are benefits of Jenkins
- How we implement it to our Project?

#### What is Jenkins?

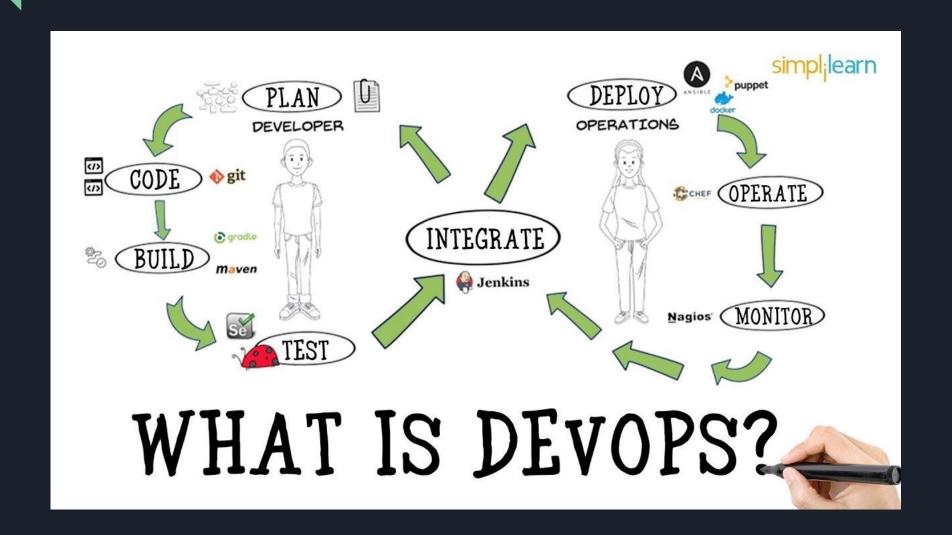
Jenkins is a open-source tool to automate Continuous Integration tasks

We can use Jenkins to:

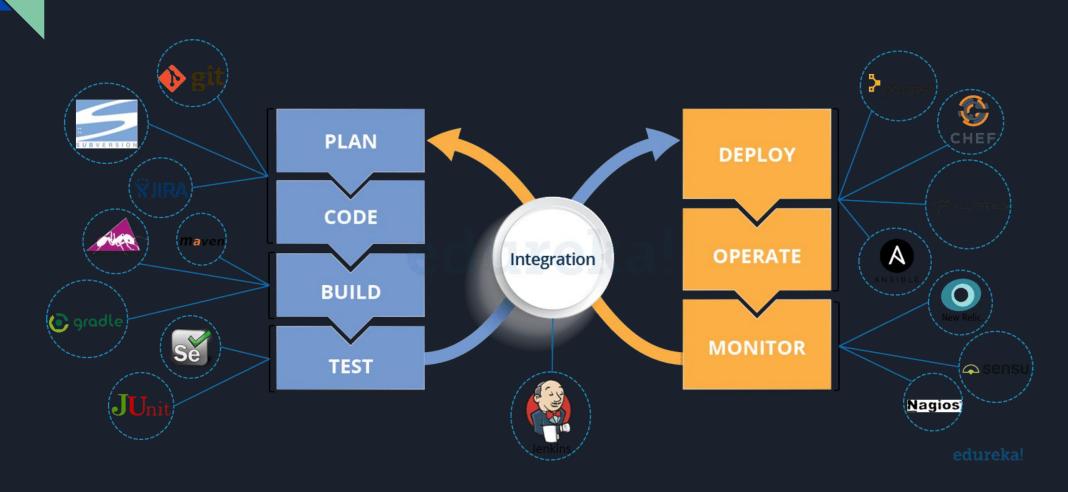
- Test code
- Build application
- Package project
- Push package or image to registry



## Jenkins' role in the DevOps Process



# What are benefits of Jenkins? (History & Advantages)



## Implementation of Jenkins

- 1) Installed a Jenkins server onto AWS EC2
- 2) SSH into the Jenkins instance to install required tools and dependencies (Git, Maven, etc)
- 3) Configured Source Code Management to specify Repository URL (GitHub)
- 4) Used web gui to configure Jenkins and manage its plugins
  - Maven, angular, Sonar Scanner, email notification
  - Create the webhook for Ansible to trigger the Job
- 5) JenkinsFile (Declarative pipeline)

Once triggered by Ansible, Jenkins will run a Build with a Declarative pipeline specified in a Jenkinsfile

## Jenkinsfile - Pipeline as Code

Configured with a Declarative pipeline using a Jenkinsfile

Jenkinsfile is commonly written in Groovy language.

A Build happens in **"Stages"**, such as 'Testing' or 'Building' or 'Pushing Image'.

Stages happen in "Steps", where shell commands and functions can be executed.

```
stage ("initialize") {
    steps {
        echo "PATH = ${PATH}"
        echo "M2 HOME = ${M2 HOME}"
stage('install'){
    steps{
       //fixes JDBC driver dependancies prioer to packaging .jar
        sh 'mvn install:install-file -Dfile="./src/main/resources/ojdbc7.jar" -Dgrod
        sh "mvn clean package -DskipTests=true"
stage('Build the image'){
    steps{
            sh 'docker build -t ${Register}:latest --build-arg JAR FILE=${Service}-
stage ('Deploy image to ECR')
    steps{
       script{
           docker.withRegistry("${ECRRepo}", "${Region}:${RegisterCredential}")
    sh 'docker push ${Register}:latest'
```

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## Challenges

- Configuring Plugins
  - Waiting for Credentials
  - ssh the Jenkins instance
  - have the correct plugins for the pipeline to be running

we have 2 separates file configuration

Jenkinsfile ( Java and Angular )

Way we Overcome all of that:

#### Future works



The current Pipeline is compatible with Java/Spring and Angular projects.

We hope to increase this flexibility to support any type of project.

## SPINNAKER



## Spinnaker

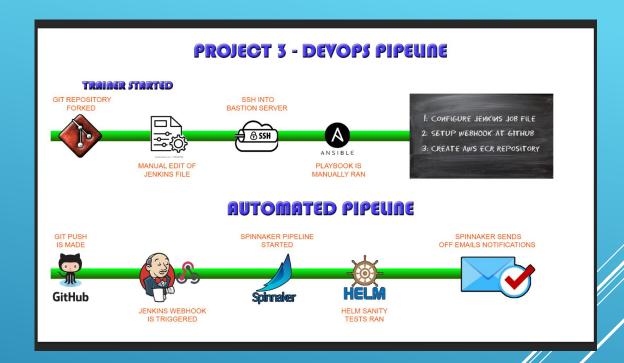
#### Spinnaker has two core features:

- 1. Application management
- 2. Application Deployment



#### What Were The Goals?

- Pick up pipeline after Jenkins
- To Bake Helm Charts
- To Deploy Artifacts to Kubernetes Cluster



Configuration Bake (Manifest) Deploy (Manifest)

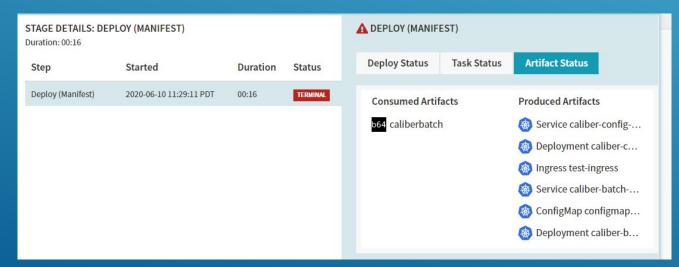
#### Bake

- Pull Helm Charts from S3
- Builds Artifact using Charts
  - > JSON object matching specification, not actual contents
  - Reference to resource, not actual resource
- Stage takes in "expected Artifact" (pointers to \$3 charts)
- Creates Artifact that encapsulates resource and metadata



## Deploy

- Takes the the artifacts produced by the bake stage and deploys it to the cluster using helm.
  - Pulls the Helm chart from the AWS S3.
  - Pulls the docker image from the AWS ECR.
  - Deploys the container using the helm chart.

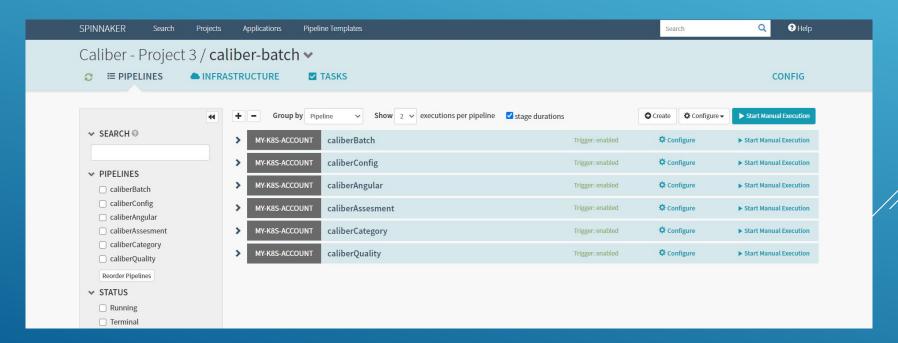


## Accomplishments

Spinnaker is installed in the Kubernetes Cluster



Pipelines are templated and in Spinnaker Application



## Hurdles



- Waited for user accounts and authentifications
  - Extended R&D
  - Compressed hands on time
- Spinnaker Documentation Not Thorough

- Access to XMLHttpRequest at 'http://spin-gate.revatur (index):1 elabs.com/credentials?expand=true' from origin 'http://spin-deck.revaturelabs.com' has been blocked by CORS policy: Response to preflight request doesn't pass access control check: The value of the 'Access-Control-Allow-Origin' header in the response must not be the wildcard '\*' when the request's credentials mode is 'include'. The credentials mode of requests initiated by the XMLHttpRequest is controlled by the withCredentials attribute.
- S FGET http://spin-gate.revaturelabs.com/creden angular.js:12994 tials?expand=true net::ERR\_FAILED
- Access to XMLHttpRequest at 'http://spin-gate.revatur (index):1 elabs.com/jobs/preconfigured' from origin 'http://spin-deck.revaturelabs.com' has been blocked by CORS policy: Response to preflight request doesn't pass access control check: The value of the 'Access-Control-Allow-Origin' header in the response must not be the wildcard '\*' when the request's credentials mode is 'include'. The credentials mode of requests initiated by the XMLHttpRequest is controlled by the withCredentials attribute.
- SET <a href="http://spin-gate.revaturelabs.com/jobs/p">http://spin-gate.revaturelabs.com/jobs/p</a> angular.js:12994
  reconfigured net::ERR\_FAILED
- Communication issues between UI (spin-deck) and API (spin-gate)
  - Communication is blocked
    - > CORS issue
  - We have been working with assisting cloud specialist Uday and our trainer August on this issue
- Deploy Stage did not act as expected or documented

## Solution Attempts

- Load Balancers for UI and API
  - Reachable, Console shows error stream, timeout
- Added expected CORS pattern by editing config file
  - Through Halyard
  - Manual addition
  - No change in results.
- Made DNS addresses instead of ELB addresses
  - Timeout issue resolves
  - UI reachable but not talking to API



## Temporary Working Solution

- Use default of directing UI to localhost:9000 and API to localhost:8084 on pod
- Use kubectl port forwarding to route traffic to ports 9000 and 8084 on the pod from those ports on the local machine
- Not a permanent solution
  - unstable
  - not extensible



#### Future Work

- Get the UI exposed more effectively
  - Add authentication to mitigate CORS problems?
- Incorporate Spinnaker throughout the pipeline
  - Trigger on github
  - Run jenkins jobs
- Automate process of creating Spinnaker pipeline
  - Dinghyfile
  - > Spin cli
- Configure notifications to email address



# KUBERNETES & HELM





## Kubernetes

- Orchestrate docker container services
  - Containers consist of all the components a program or process needs to run.
  - A pod is a structure containing one or more containers
- Replicates the pods to allow load balancing and build failure resistance.
- Spinnaker also resides in the cluster
- Features:
  - Automating manual processes
  - Self-healing
  - Scaling
  - Storage orchestration
  - Automated rollout and rollback
- Container tech to achieve end-to-end automation, ensuring CD.

## Helm

- Package, configure, and deploy applications and services onto Kubernetes clusters.
  - o Install software.
  - Automatically install software dependencies.
  - Upgrade software.
  - Configure software deployments.
  - Fetch software packages from repositories.
- Helm provides this functionality through the following components:
  - Helm
  - Tiller
  - Charts
  - Helm hub

# Implementation

- Created Docker Images
- Wrote deployment and service YAML files
- Wrote an Ingress YAML file
- Created Helm chart and stored appropriate YAML files
- Tested Helm chart

## Challenges with Caliber

#### Caliber

- Lack of documentation
- Application tests were often unrunnable

#### Adapting to Spring

- Minimal exposure to Spring
- Extra time spent on understanding and researching

## Challenges with Helm and Kubernetes

- Learning basic GO
- Add dynamic functionality within the YAML files
- Navigating the Helm and Kubernetes documentation for setting up a deployment
- Port mapping configurations
- Setting up environment variables

#### Helm Hurdles Overcome

- Implementation of Google's Go within helm charts
  - Enables dynamic creation of charts through the use of variables
- Building templates and charts
  - Aids in the successful deployment of the kubernetes cluster
- Manipulate the YAML to match external configurations
  - Files needed to match the configuration of Caliber

## What can be done with more time?

- The creation of a bash to be run with Ansible
  - Deployments
  - Ingress
  - Configmaps
- Some additional files
  - Values
  - Secrets

## LETS SEE A DEMONSTRATION!

