

Software Engineering

Deployment and Operations



Learning Goals for Today

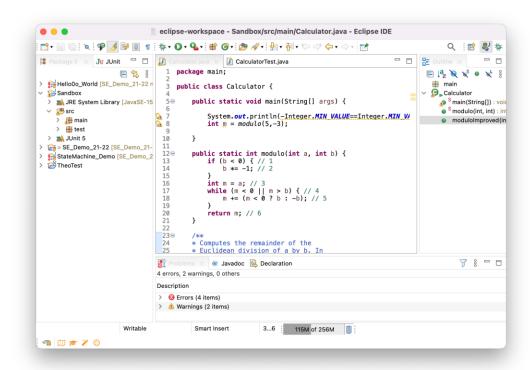
- Know what packaging and deployment is
- Know how to manage project dependencies
- Know containerization as a technique to package and deploy software systems
- Know the principle of DevOps and its main characteristics
- Know what Continuous Integration, Delivery, and Deployment is





Packaging and Deployment

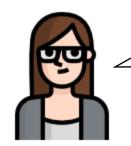
Packaging and Deployment



Yeah, my app is running. Great! Now, how can I ship it to my friends?

What happens if you click on "run" in your IDE?

- **Compilation**: Transform the source code into a target language (machine code or intermediate language)
- **Execution:** Either directly on the machine or within an interpreter (virtual machine)







Compilation vs. Interpretation

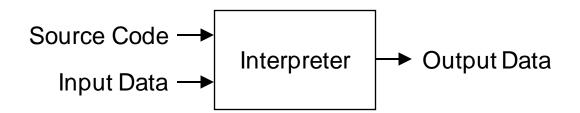
Compilation

- C/C++/Go/Rust/Swift to machine code
- Java/Groovy/Kotlin/Scala/Clojure to Java bytecode

Interpretation

- of source code:
 Ruby/Python/Perl/PHP/Matlab
- of bytecode: Java Virtual Machine (JVM)

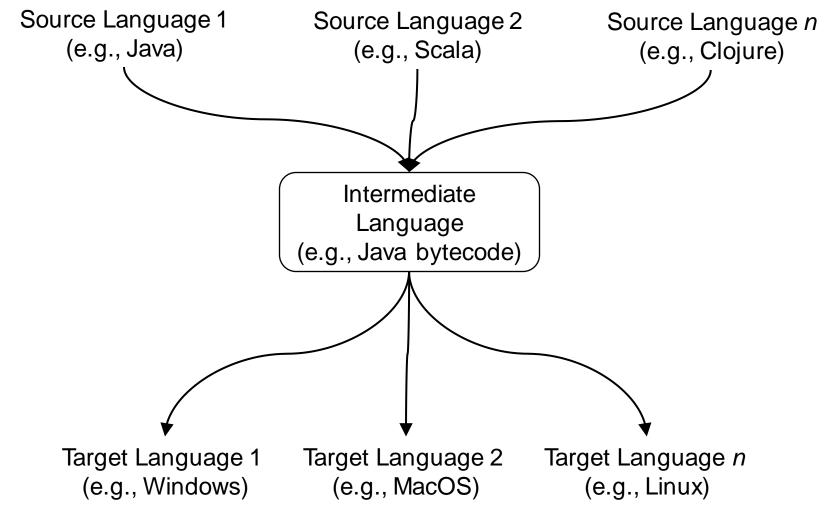








The Power of Intermediate Languages







Java Compilation and Execution

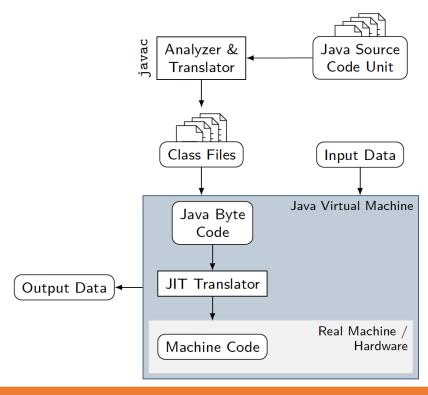
Goals of Compiler Optimizations

- fast execution
- low memory / energy consumption
- small binaries (fast start/download/updates)
- desired for both compiler (compile time) and compiled program (run time)

Compile Time vs. Run Time

run time: when program or software is executed

compile time: during (ahead-of-time) compilation

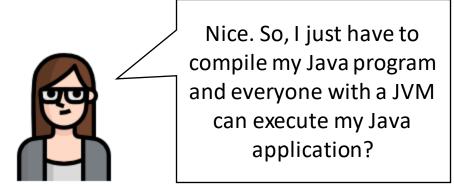


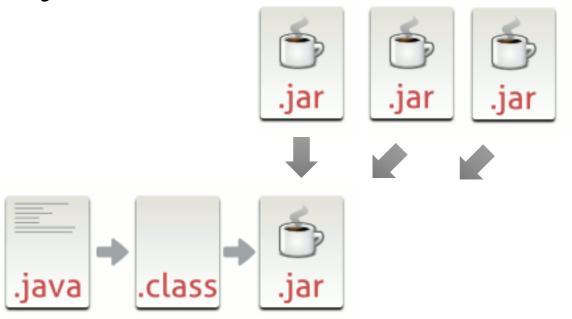
Just-in-time Compilations

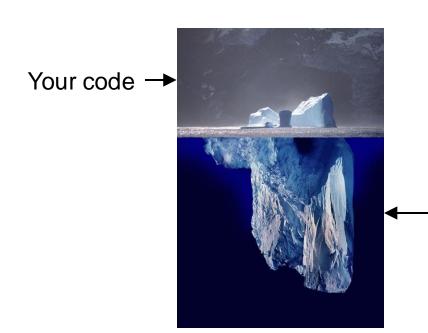
- often executed code is compiled at run time
- warm-up time: execution is slower when new code is executed



Packaging and Deployment







Dependencies

META-INF/MANIFEST.MF

Manifest-Version: 1.0
Main-Class: Application
Class-Path: core.jar lib/



Build Automation Tools

Build automation

Build automation is the process of automating the creation of a software build and the associated processes including compiling computer source code into binary code, packaging binary code, and running automated tests.



pom.xml

```
ct>
   <modelVersion>4.0.0</modelVersion>
   <groupId>com.mycompany.app</groupId>
   <artifactId>my-app</artifactId>
   <version>1.0
   <description>Maven example</description>
   <dependencies>
       <dependency>
           <groupId>junit
           <artifactId>junit</artifactId>
           <version>4.12</version>
           <scope>test</scope>
       </dependency>
   </dependencies>
</project>
```

Build Automation Tools – Maven

Maven Commands

- 1. clean: delete target directory
- **2. validate**: validate if the project is correct (e.g., check code formatting)
- 3. compile: compile source code; classes stored in target/classes
- 4. test: run unit tests
- 5. package: take the compiled code and package it in its distributable format, e.g. JAR, WAR
- **6. verify**: run any checks to verify the package is valid and meets quality criteria (e.g., integration tests)
- 7. install: install the package into the local repository
- **8. deploy**: copies the final package to the remote repository

Execution order

Maven runs the commands in order from top to bottom except for clean (e.g., verify includes validate, compile, test, package)

Convention over configuration

Maven depends a lot on conventions (e.g., where tests, libs, sources are located)





System Building

System Building [Sommerville]

System building is the process of creating a complete, executable system by compiling and linking the system components, external libraries, configuration files, and other information.

Building involves three platforms

- development system: compilers and editors used on the developer's system to test prior to commit
- build server: server to build and distribute executable versions, triggered by commits or schedule (i.e., nightly builds)
- target environment: intended platform for executable system (e.g., ECU in a car)

Tooling for System Building

- build script generation: identify dependent components, automated generation or tool support for creation and editing
- version control system integration: checkout required versions of components
- minimal recompilation: determine which parts need to be recompiled
- executable system creation: compilation and linking
- test automation: run automated tests (e.g., unit tests)
- reporting: reports about success or failure of builds and tests
- documentation generation: release notes, help pages



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Continuous Integration

Continuous Integration [Sommerville]

"Agile methods recommend that very frequent system builds should be carried out, with automated testing used to discover software problems. Frequent builds are part of a process of continuous integration [...]."

Continuous Integration Tools

- Jenkins (2011–)
- Travis CI (2011–)
- GitLab (2014–)
- GitHub (2018–)

Steps in Continuous Integration

- clone/fetch from version control
- if feasible: build and run automated tests, if it fails others are responsible
- apply changes
- build and run automated tests locally, if it fails continue editing
- if local tests pass, commit to feature branch in version control
- commit triggers build server, if it fails continue editing
- if tests pass (and code review approves changes), merge branch into main development branch

Infrastructure/Configuration as Code

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Infrastructure and build configuration are managed in files in the version control system

- Basic Info: Language and Language Version, Repositories, Compiler
- Build Process: Steps necessary to build the system (from source code to executable)
- Quality Assurance: Execution of Tests and Checks
- Deployment: Copy the built executable to a (productive) system

Motivation / Advantages

Consistent and shared infrastructure for testing, development, and deployment.



Example – Configuration in Travis CI

.travis.yml

Example for a Java-Maven Project

```
sudo: false
                                                 Basic Info
     language: java
     jdk:
       - oraclejdk8
                                                 Compiling the code,
     script: ./mvnw clean verify __
                                                 execution of (Unit)-Tests,
    cache:
                                                 packaging (e.g., as .jar),
       directories:
                                                 maybe integration test
         - $HOME/.m2
     deploy:
        provider: script
10
        script: .travis/release.sh
        skip_cleanup: true
                                                 Deployment defined in a script (release.sh);
13
        on:
                                                 Script is executed whenever a version is assigned a tag
         repo: example/project
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         tags: true
         jdk: oraclejdk8
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```



DevOps

Motivation / Problem

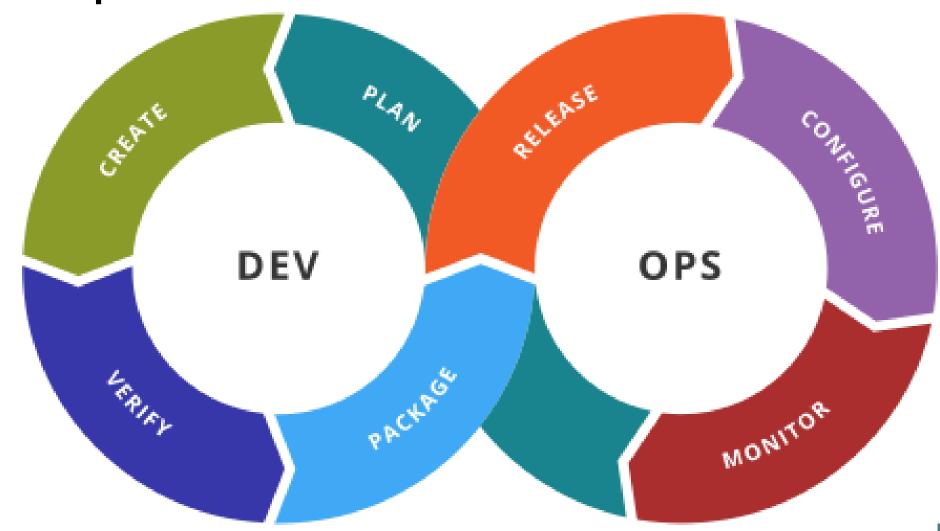
- If software fails:
 - programmers blame administrators for misconfiguration
 - administrators blame programmers for erroneous software
- Programmers want frequent updates
- Administrators follow the slogan: "never change a running system"
- Customers and users want a single responsibility
- Shorter update cycles

DevOps

- Promoted in agile development
- Dev: development by programmers
- Ops: operation (Betrieb) by administrators
- DevOps: teams that are responsible for both, development and operations
- Goal: avoid blaming each other by shared responsibility



DevOps





It works on my machine...

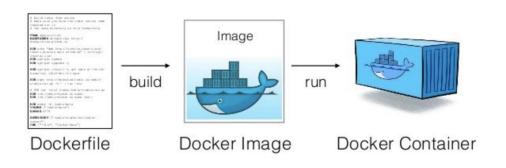




Software Containerization

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Containerization is the packaging of software code with just the operating system (OS) libraries and dependencies required to run the code to create a single lightweight executable—called a **container**—that runs consistently on any infrastructure.





Docker

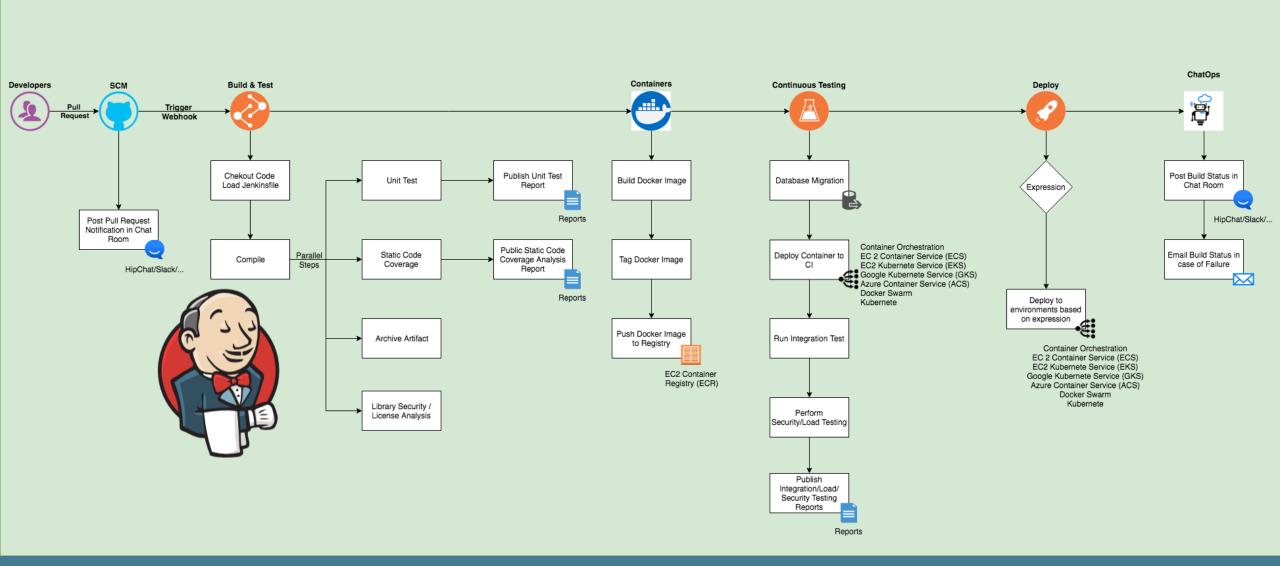
- Lightweight virtual machine
- Contains entire runnable software, incl. all dependencies and configurations
- Used in development and production
- Sub-second launch time
- Explicit control over shared disks and network connections

Terms

- Container: A runtime instance of a docker image
- Image: A package with all the dependencies and information needed to create a container
- **Dockerfile**: A text file that contains instructions for building a Docker image.



Deployment Pipeline



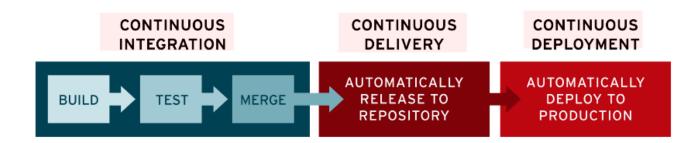
Continuous-X

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Continuous Integration: the practice of merging all developers' working copies to a shared mainline several times a day

Continuous Delivery: the practice of releasing a new version of the software several times a day

Continuous Deployment: the practice of deploying a new version of the software several times a day





Deployment in Practice

Canary Releases

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Canary release is a technique to reduce the risk of introducing a new software version in production by slowly rolling out the change to a small subset of users before rolling it out to the entire infrastructure and making it available to everybody.





CANARY TESTING OLD VERSION DATABASE WEB APPLICATION SERVER SERVER SERVER MOST USERS (95%) SOME USERS ROUTER WEB APPLICATION DATABASE SERVER SERVER

Application

- Mostly applied to test changes in the back-end (e.g., new algorithms, large refactoring, redesigns)
- Usually, a step in the regular development process



Dark Launches

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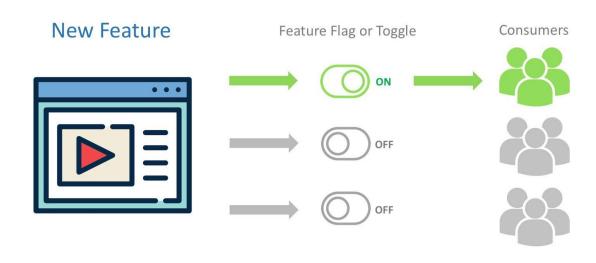
users aren't aware they are testing the new feature; often, nothing highlights the new functionality — hence the term *dark* launching.

Application

- Mostly applied to test new user features (new UI elements, new functionality)
- Usually, only done for selected features

Feature Toggles

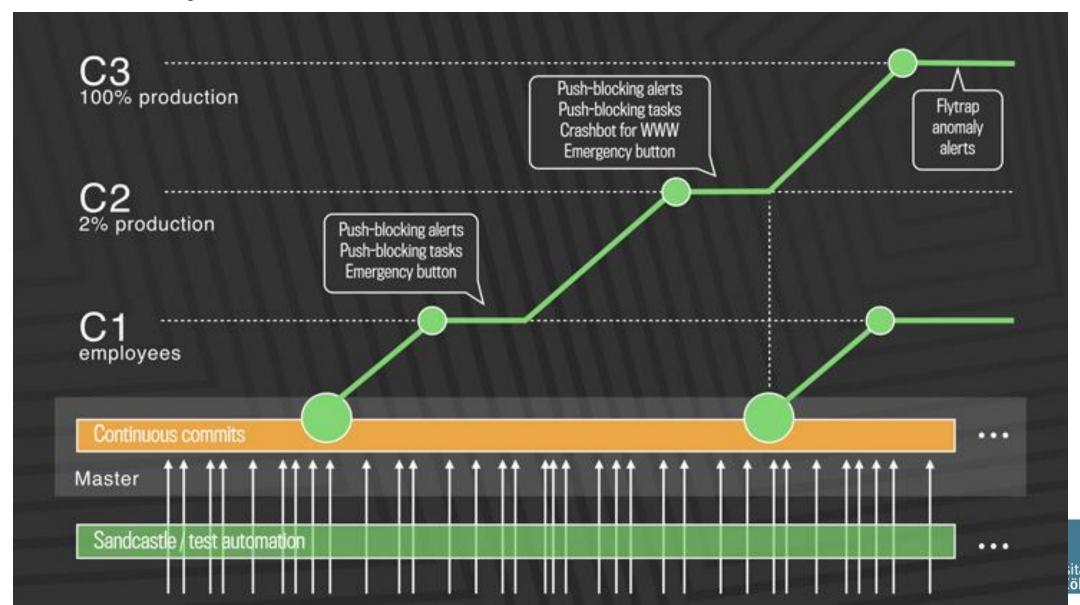
Mechanism to activate or deactivate features in code



Justin Baker, 2016



Canary Releases at Facebook



Canary Releases at Netflix

- 60,000 configuration changes per day. 4,000 commits per day.
- Every commit creates an Amazon Machine Image (AMI)
- The AMI is automatically deployed to Red/Black Cluster.
- Automatic canary tests are executed, if OK, change to new version, if not, rollback the commit.

Summary

Deployment and Operations

- Packaging and deploying software is challenging
- Automation is key to manage dependencies, configurations, and deployment
- DevOps principles bring development and operations closer together
- Continuous-X allows for faster and more secure evolution of software systems