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BOSH Fundamentals

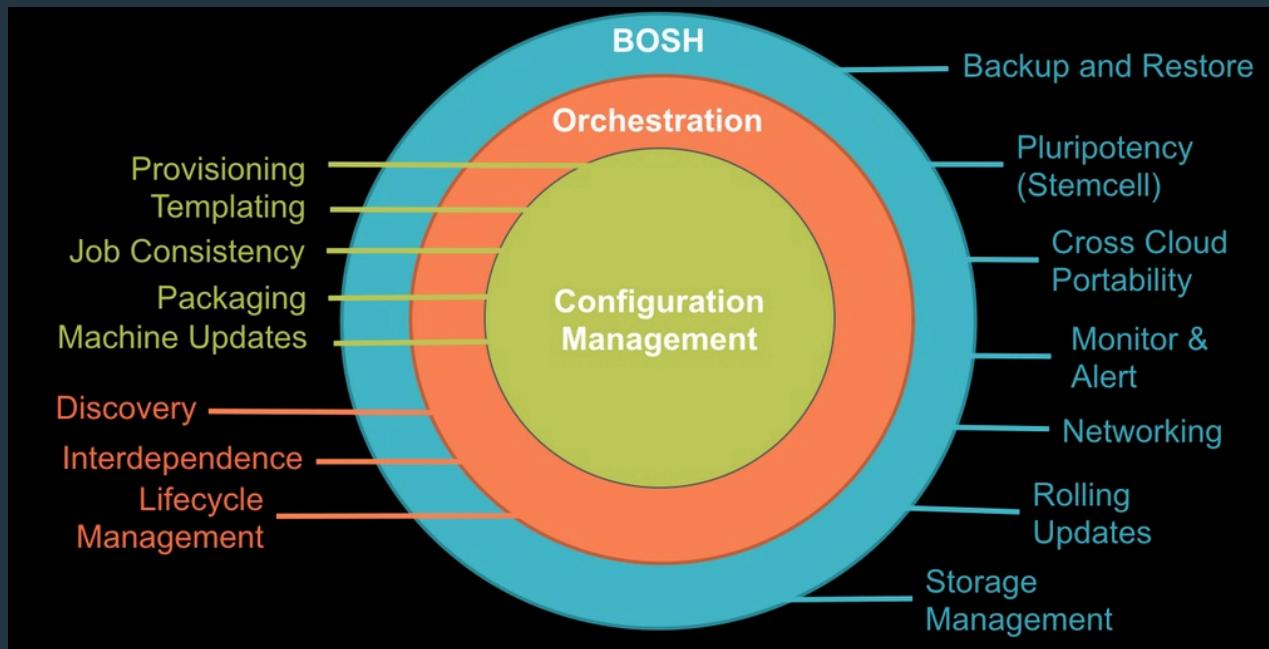
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Agenda

- BOSH Overview
- BOSH Architecture
- BOSH Deployments and Releases
- BOSH HA and Platform Updates

“ BOSH is an open-source tool chain for release engineering, deployment and lifecycle management of large-scale distributed services ”



Why BOSH?

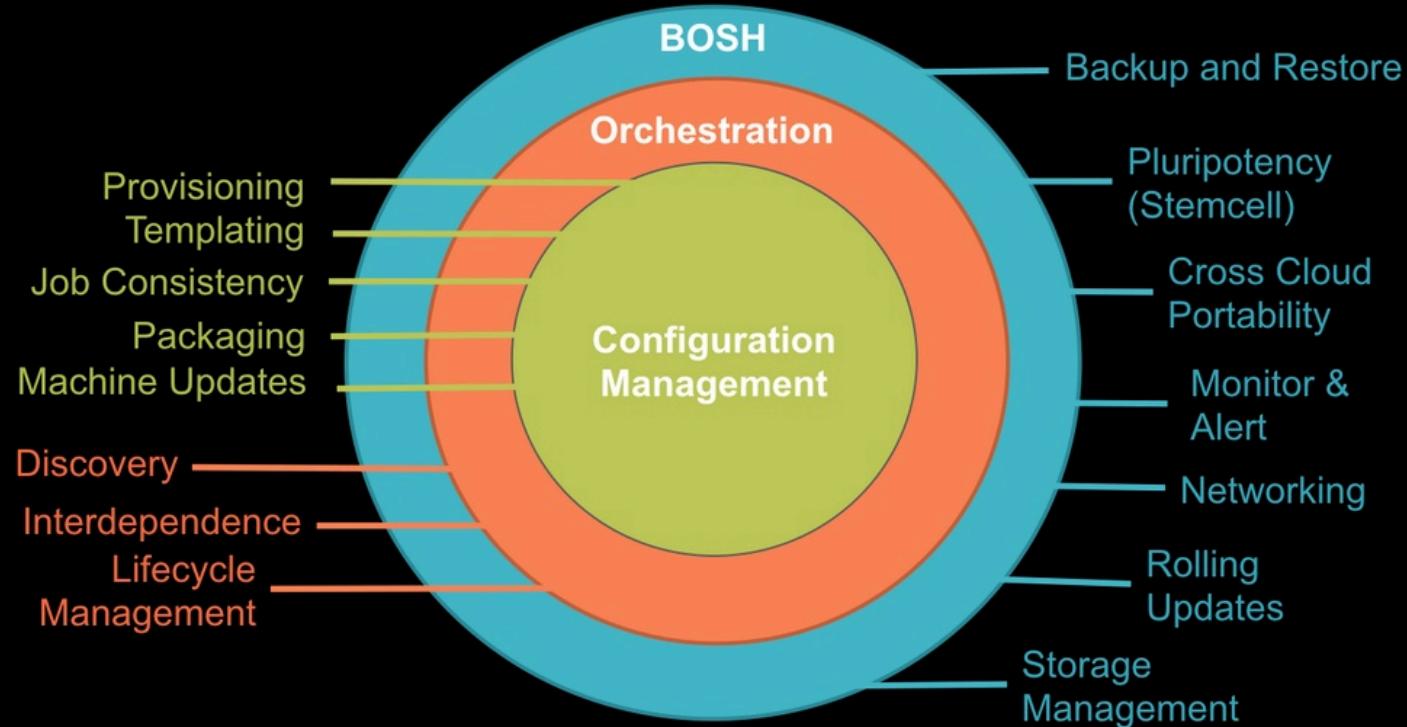
Provision services, not machines

Enables continuous delivery

Cloud-agnostic view of Platform Ops

Holistic Toolchain for "rule them all"

Eliminate bespoke automation on top of config management



CM & Orchestration tools



What is missing?

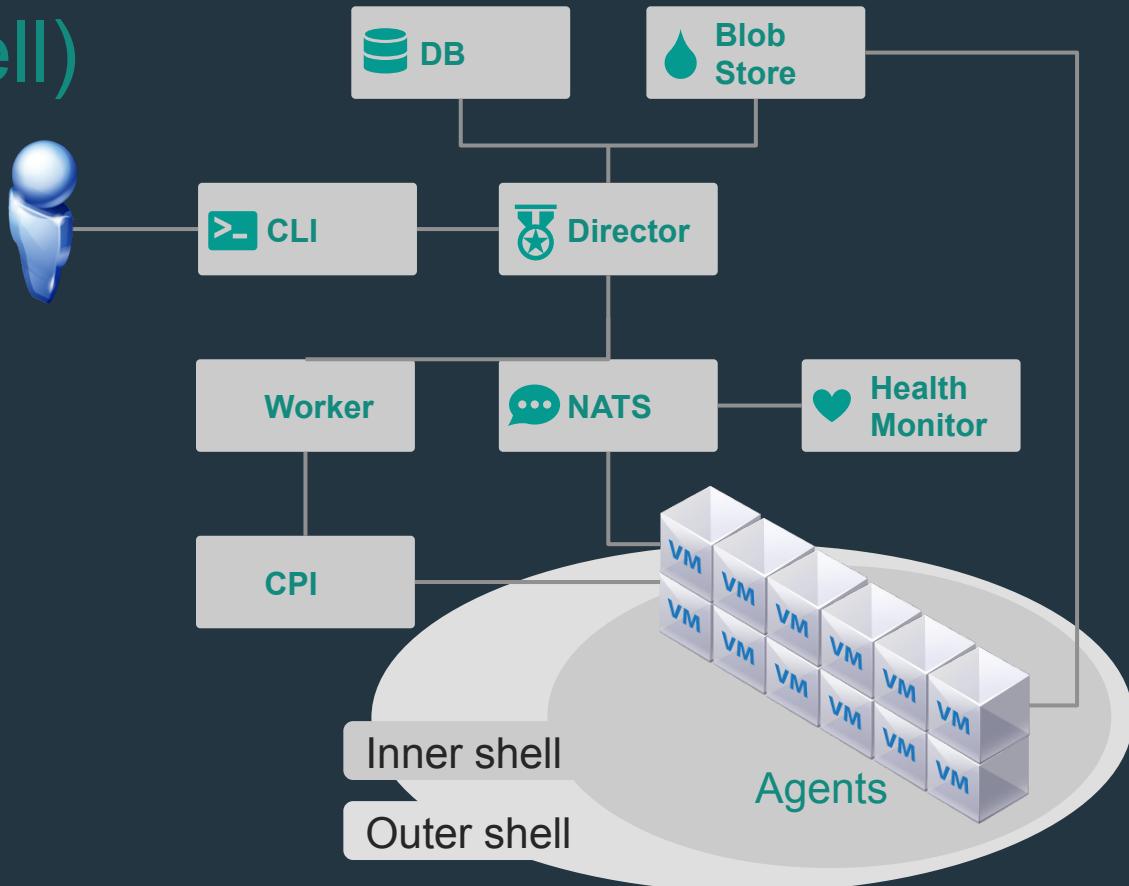
- These tools were designed to ensure servers are in a desired configuration, not to rapidly deploy software.
- Coordinating actions across different systems is left up to the user, requiring scripts or other tools.
- Manage services ...not servers or VMs

BOSH (Outer Shell) Logical View

Deploys and manages large scale distributed systems. **BOSH** provides the means to go from deployment (i.e., Chef/Puppet) to VM creation and management (i.e., cloud CPI). It includes interfaces for vSphere, vCloud, AWS and OpenStack. Additional CPI can be written for alternative IaaS providers.

Key Elements:

- CLI
- Director
- Blobstore
- Workers
- Message Bus
- Health Monitor
- IaaS CPI
- Agents



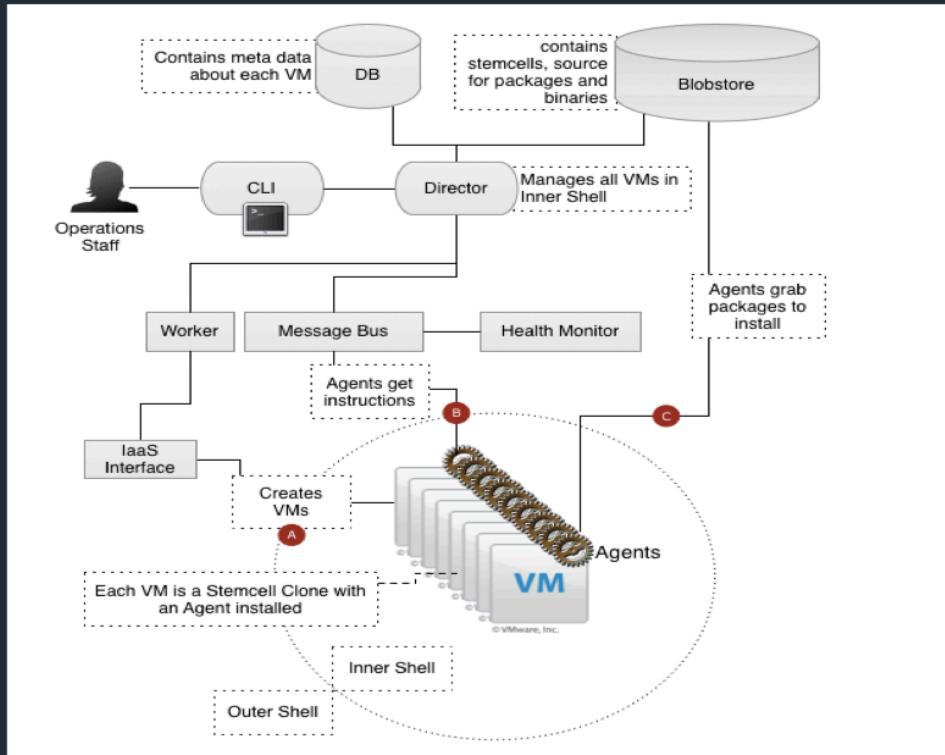
The BOSH Architecture

Very similar to CF architecture itself

Director as analogy to Cloud Controller

Different CPIs exist per IaaS implementation

Workers responsible for executing tasks as dictated by Director



BOSH: Cloud Provider Interface

Stemcell

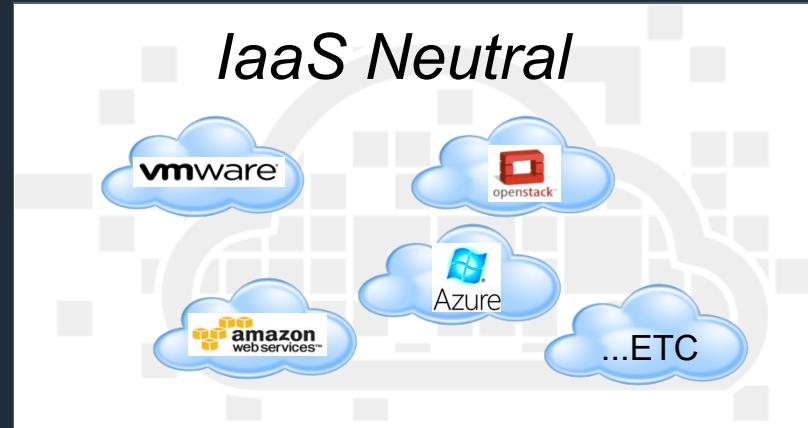
```
create_stemcell(image, cloud_properties)  
delete_stemcell(stemcell_id)
```

VM

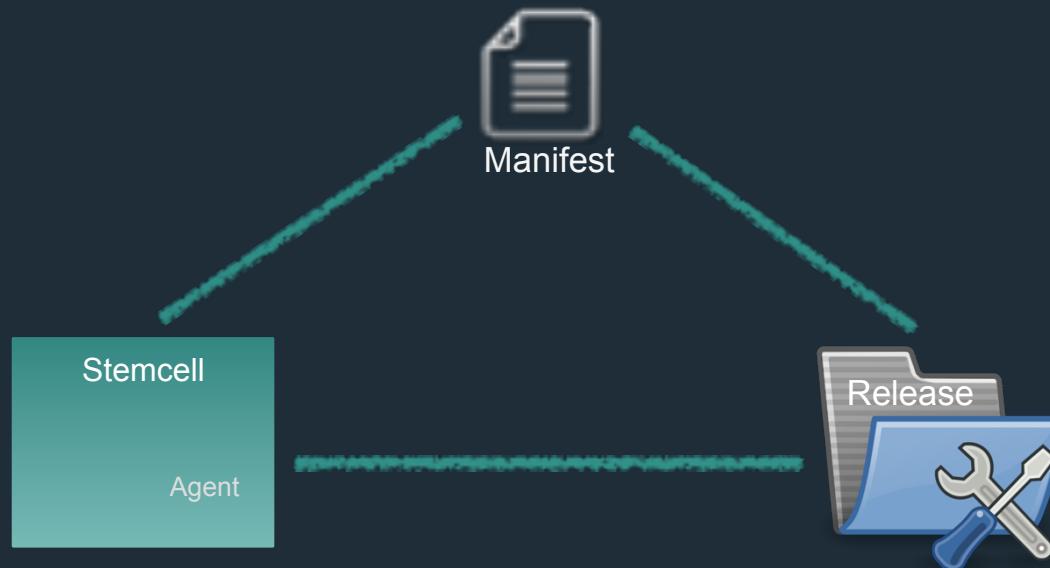
```
create_vm(agent_id, stemcell_id, resource_pool,  
          networks, disk_locality, env)  
delete_vm(vm_id)  
reboot_vm(vm_id)  
configure_networks(vm_id, networks)
```

Disk

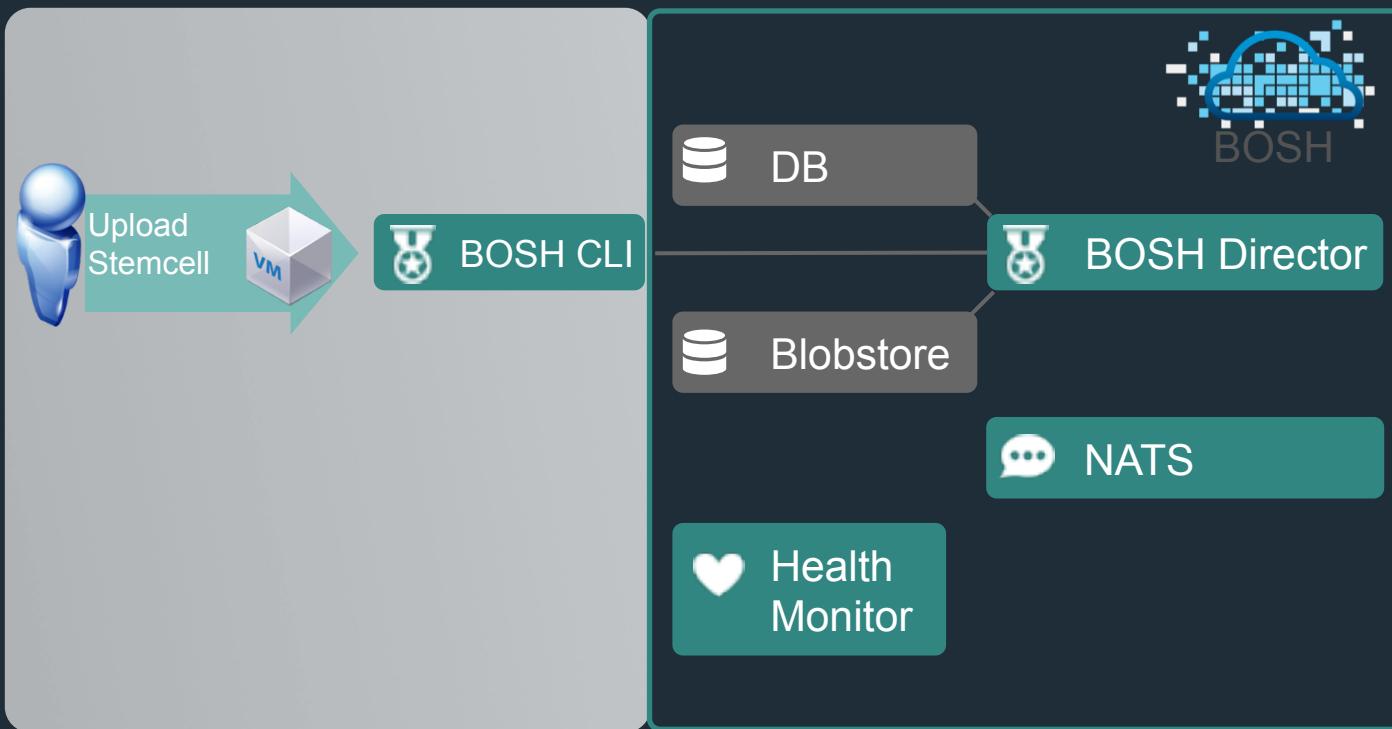
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create_disk(size, vm_locality)  
delete_disk(disk_id)  
attach_disk(vm_id, disk_id)  
detach_disk(vm_id, disk_id)
```



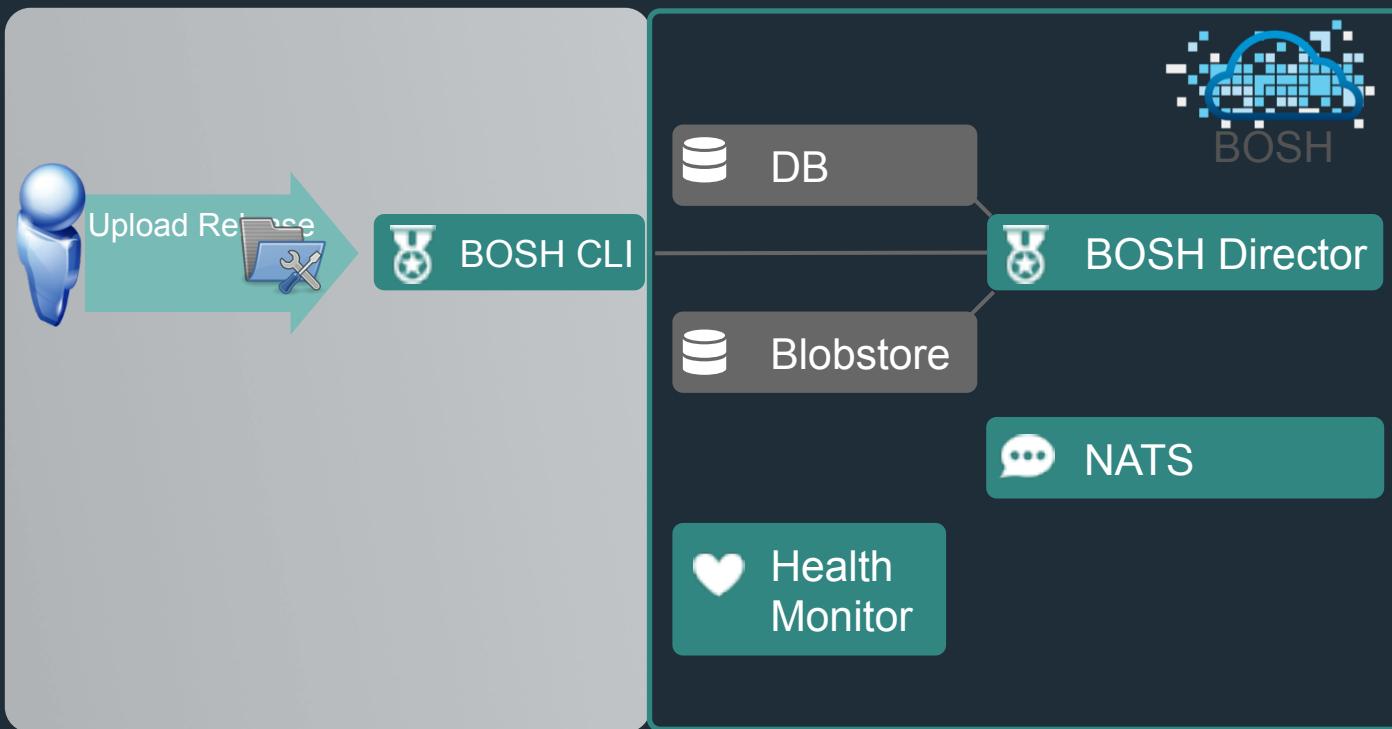
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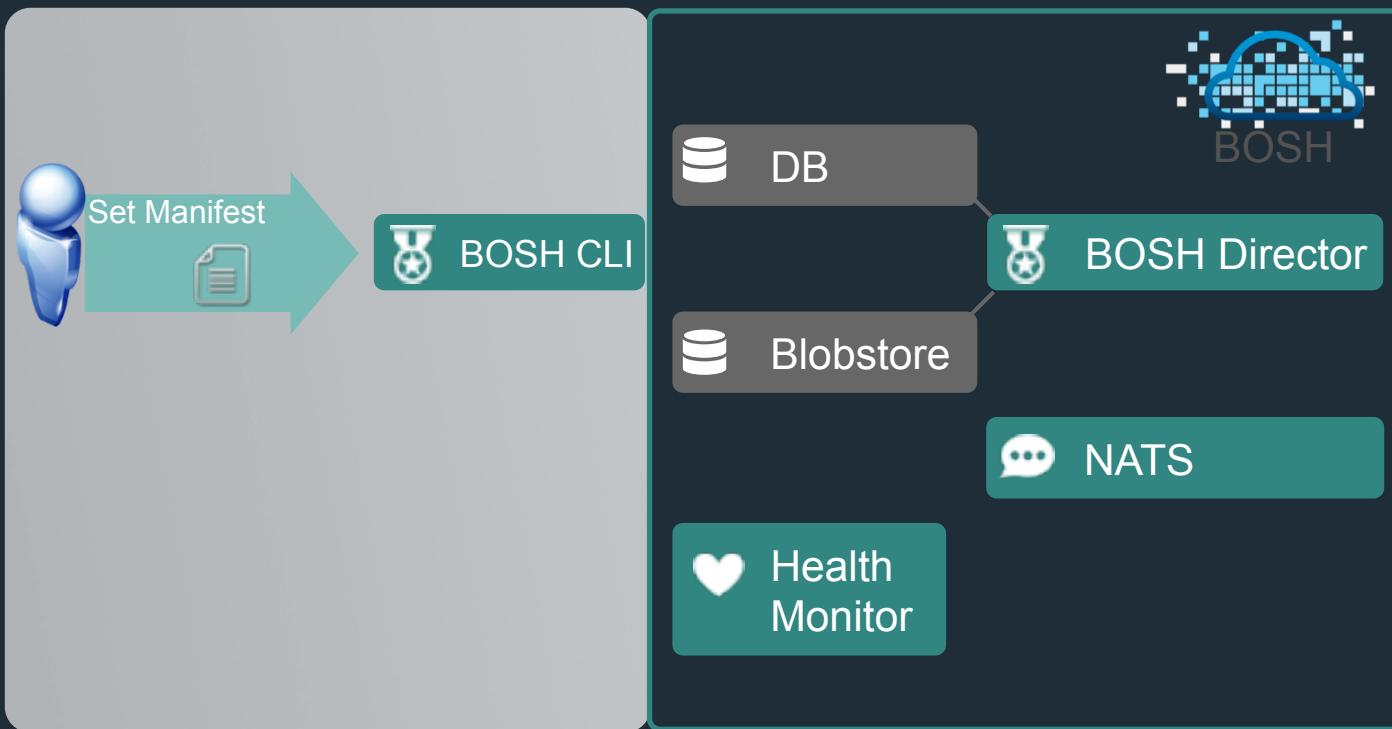
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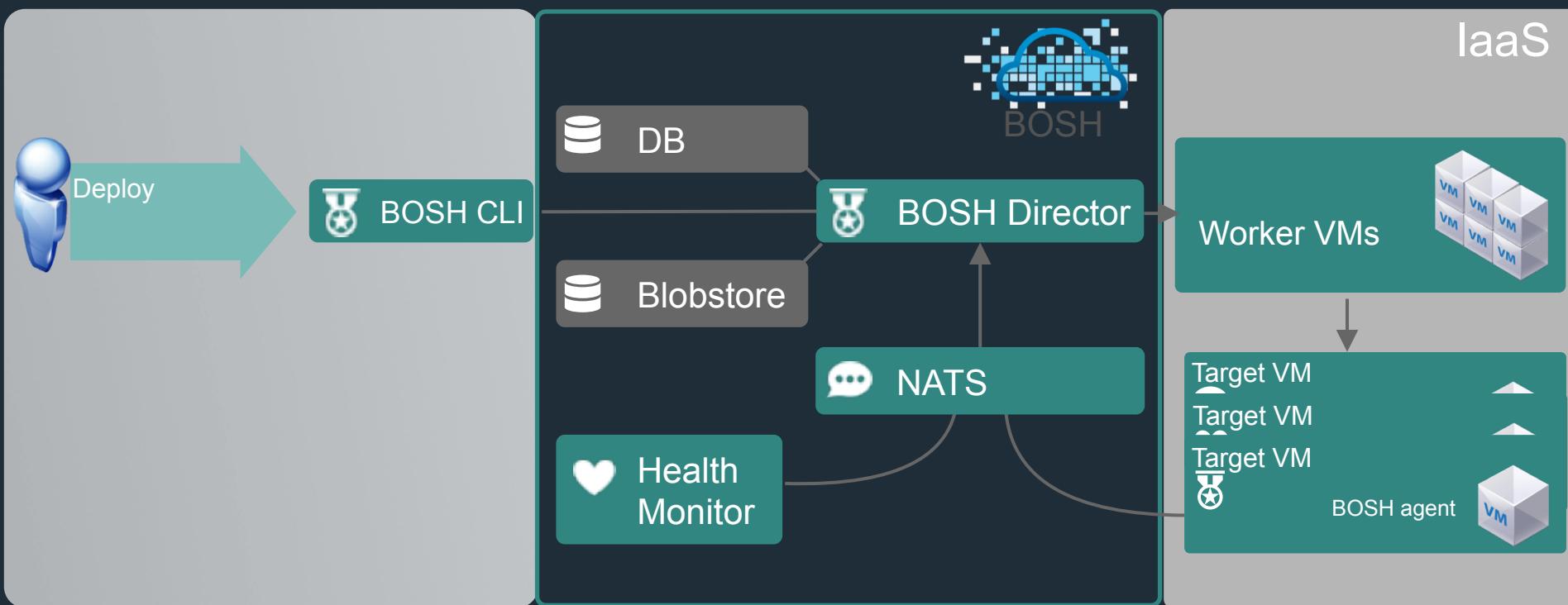
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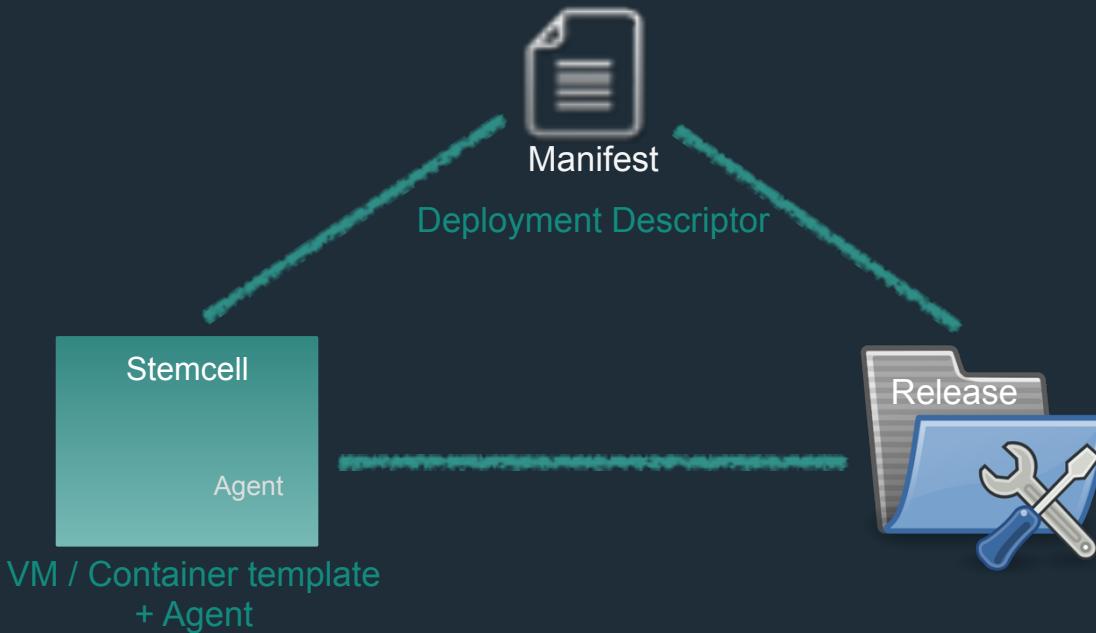


BOSH deployment



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... so what exactly is a BOSH release?



Anatomy of BOSH releases

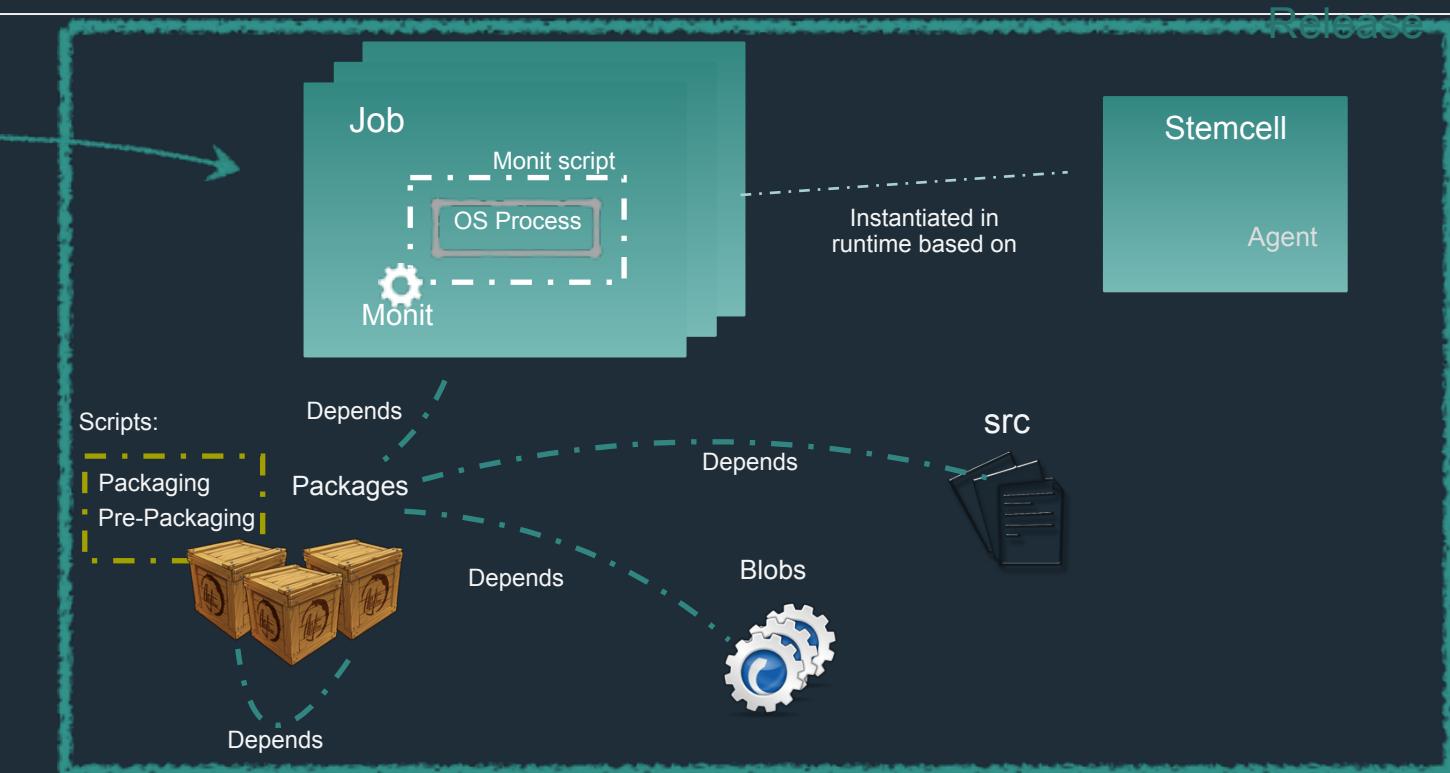
```
49 jobs:  
50 - instances: 1  
51   name: postgres  
52   networks:  
53     - name: default-network  
54       static_ips:  
55         - 10.244.0.2  
56 persistent_disk: 2024  
57 release: bosh_intro  
58 resource_pool: default-pool  
59 template: postgres  
60 properties:  
  port: 5637
```



Manifest

Example of Jobs:

- DEA (CF)
- CloudController (CF)
- Service Broker (MySQL & Rabbit)
- Locator (possible GemFire release)



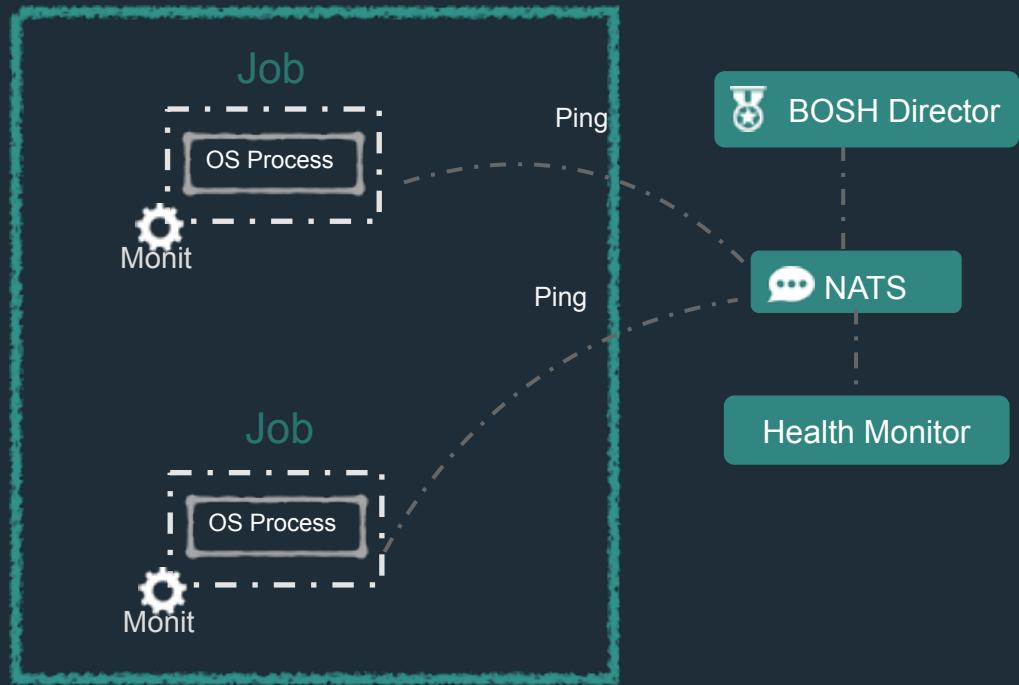
<http://docs.cloudfoundry.org/bosh/create-release.html>

Job Creation



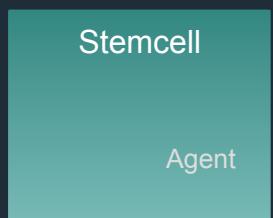
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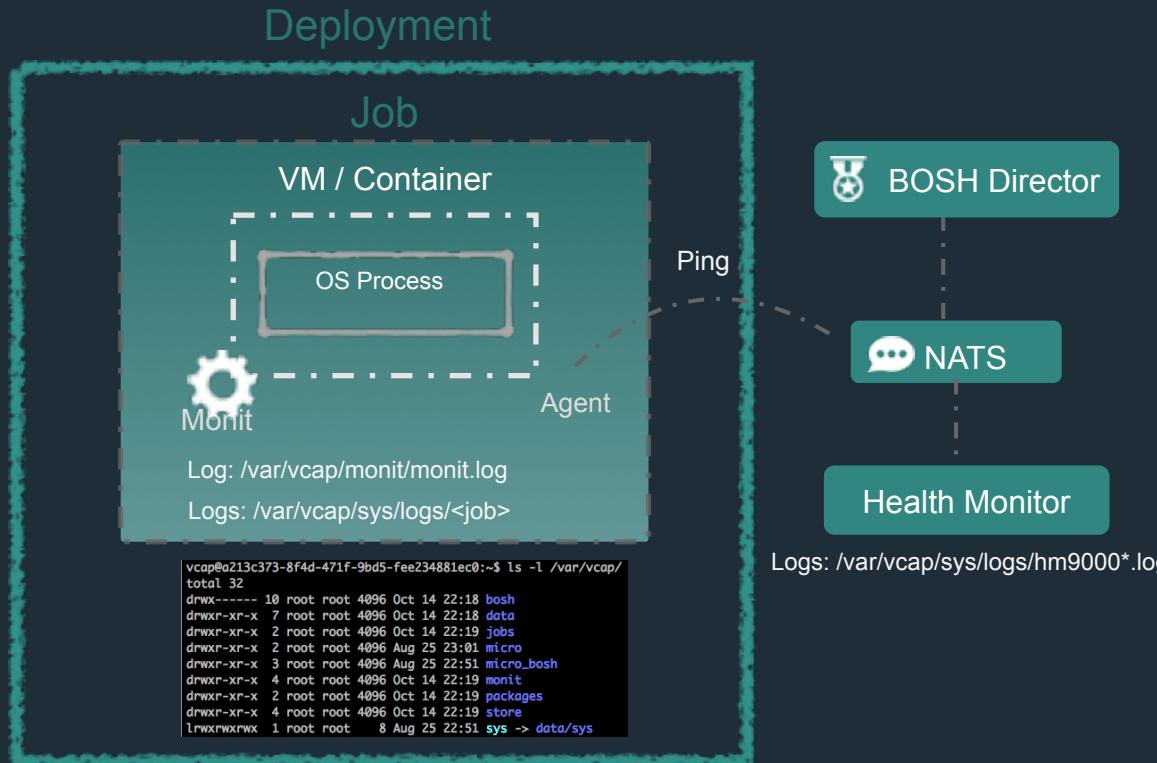


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Logs



Compiled Packages





BOSH AND HIGH AVAILABILITY

4 Layers of Built-in High Availability

Application Instance

Platform Processes

Platform VMs

Availability Zones



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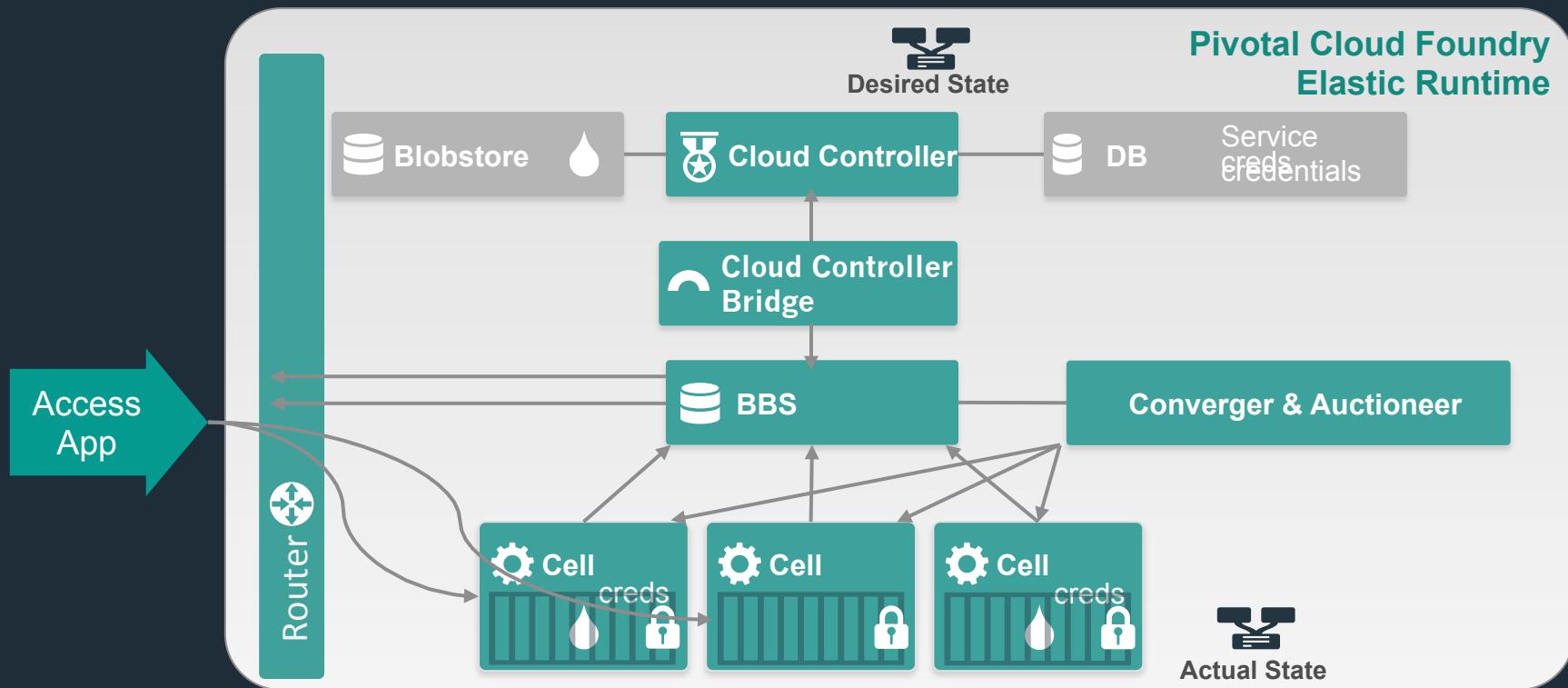
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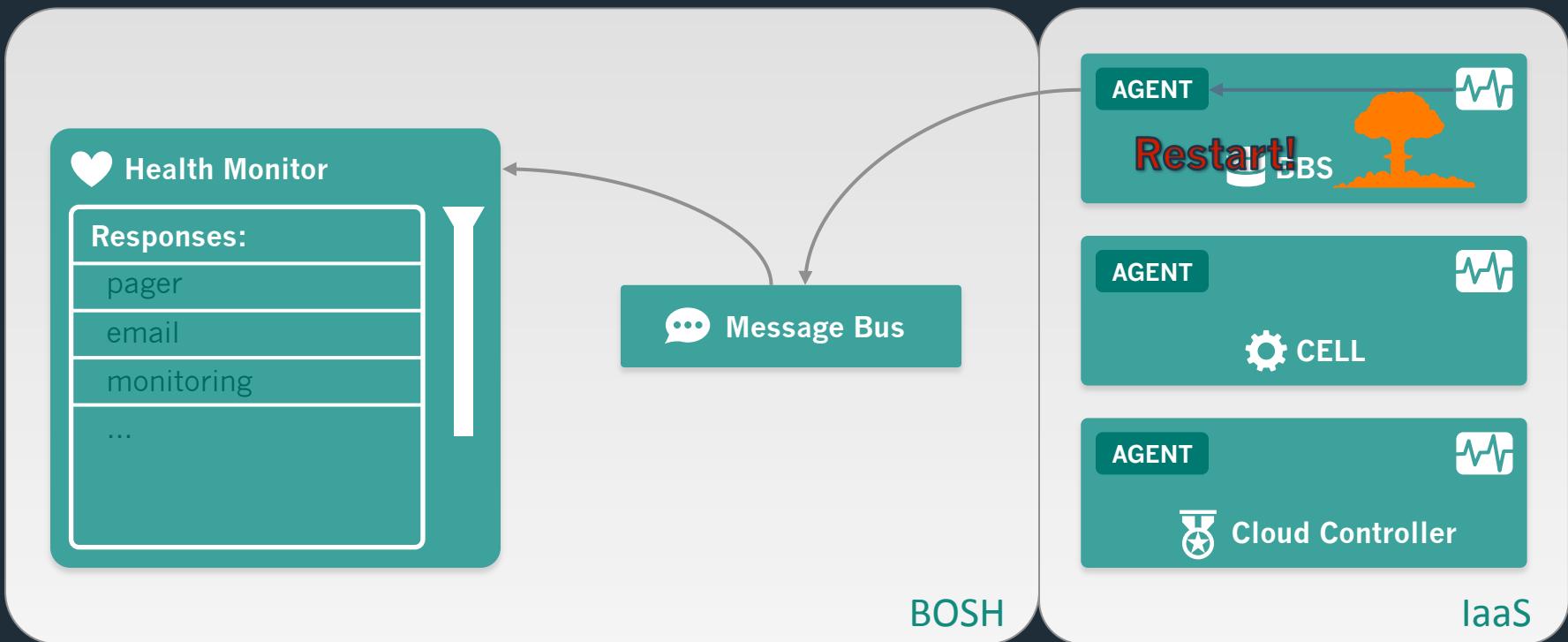
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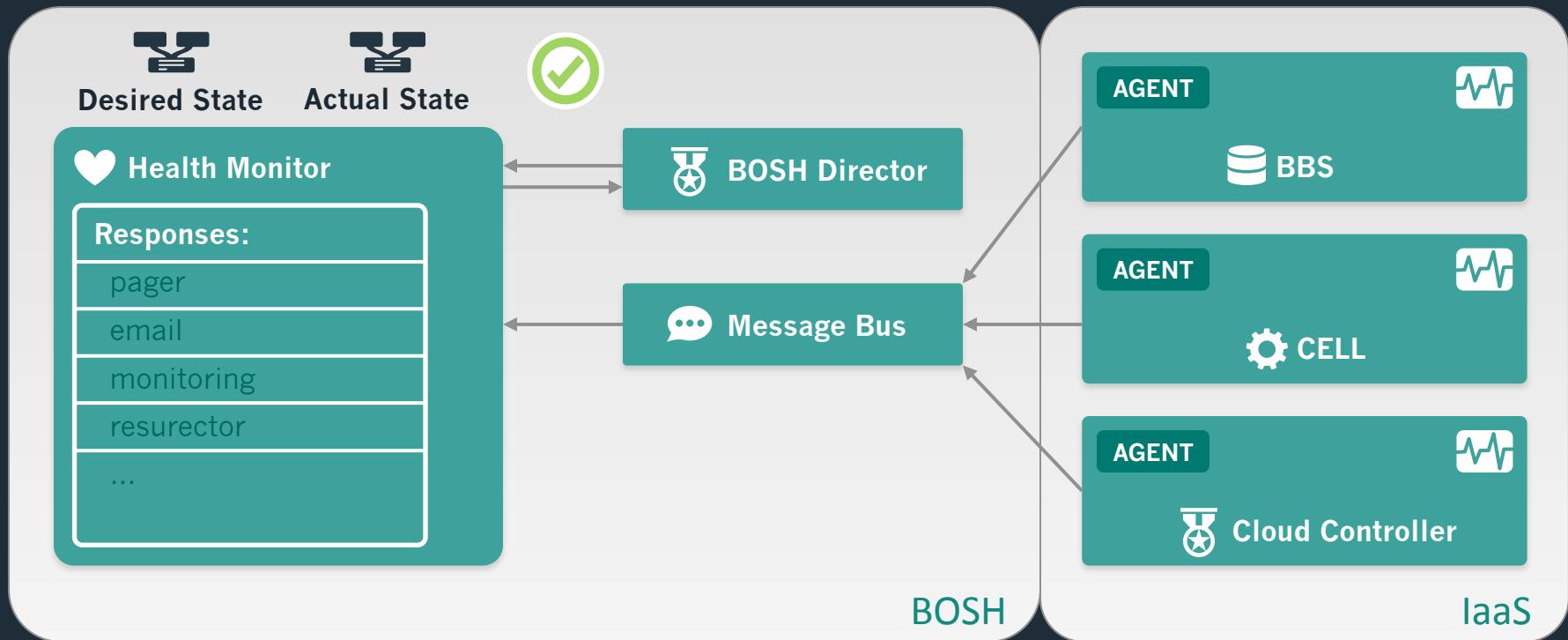
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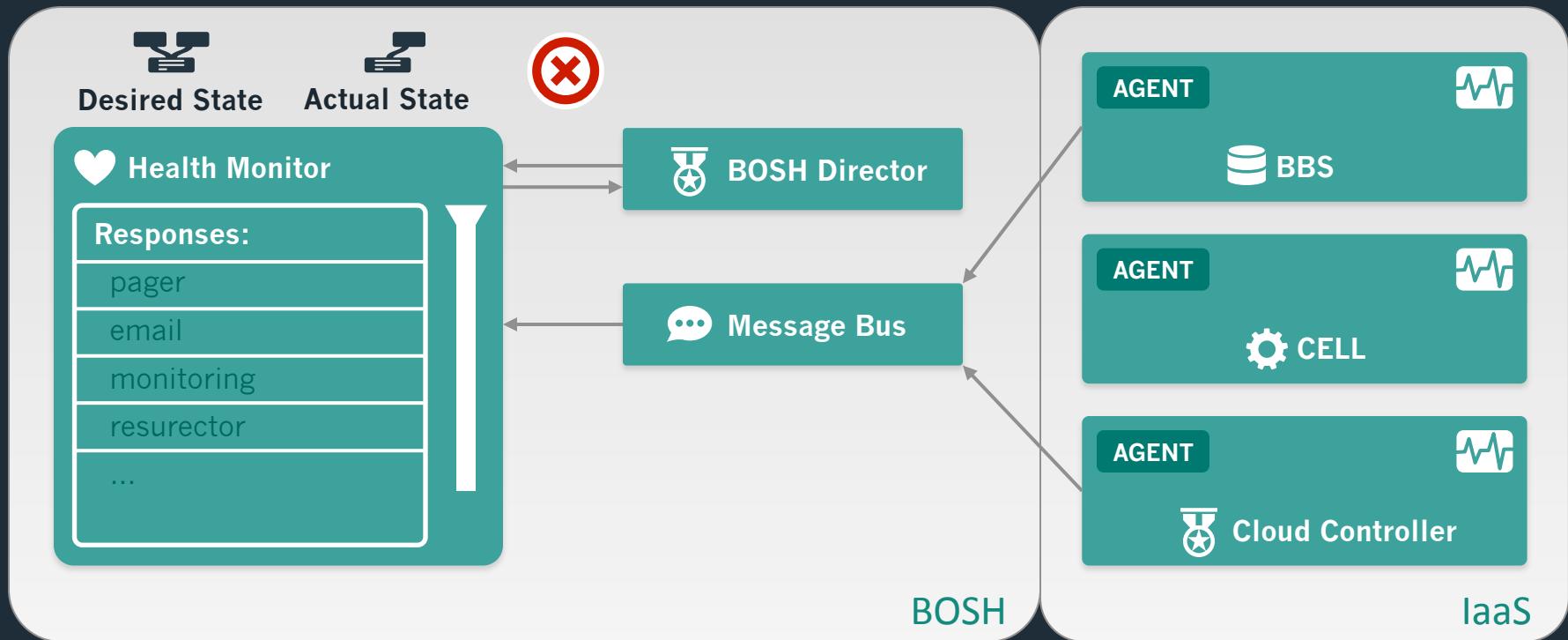


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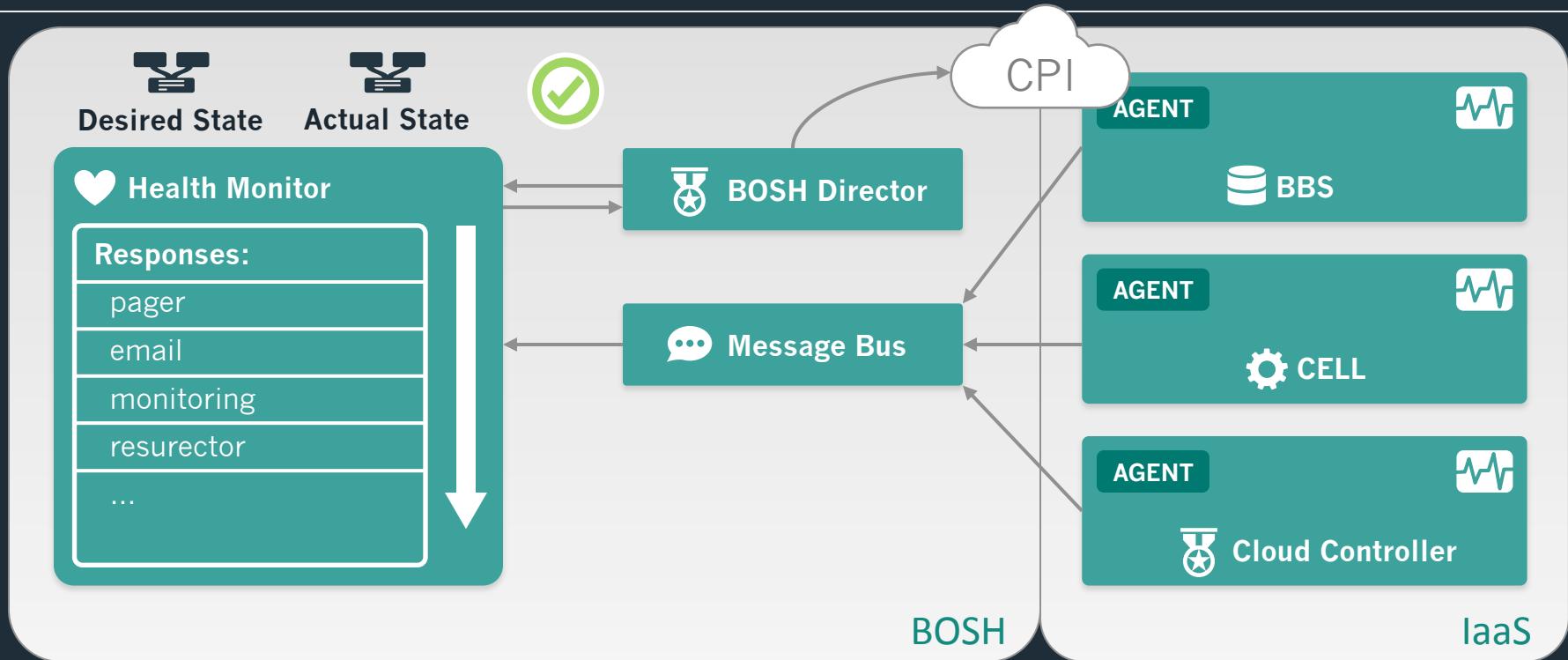
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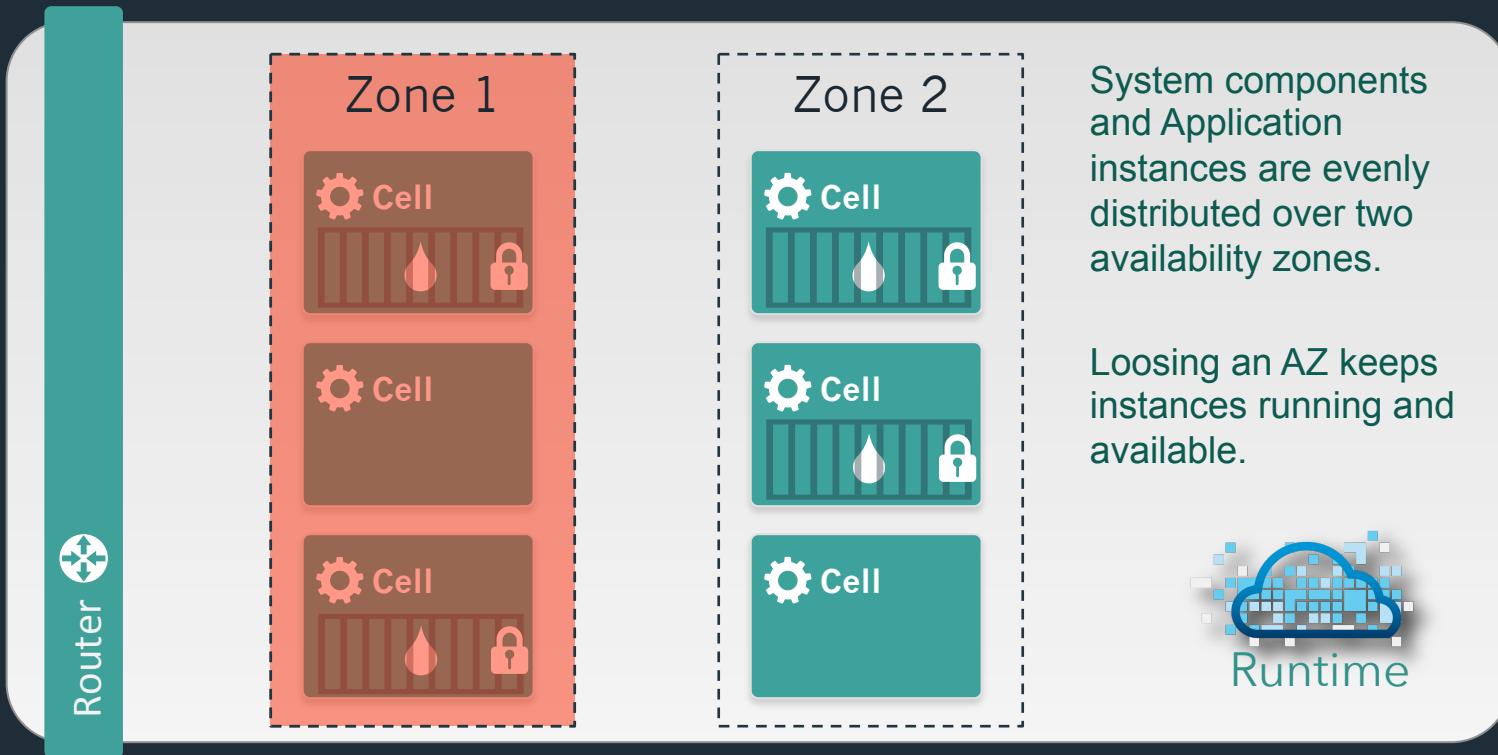
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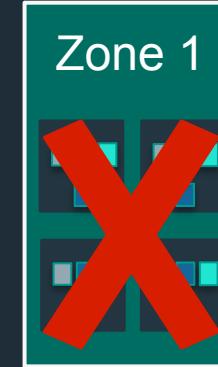
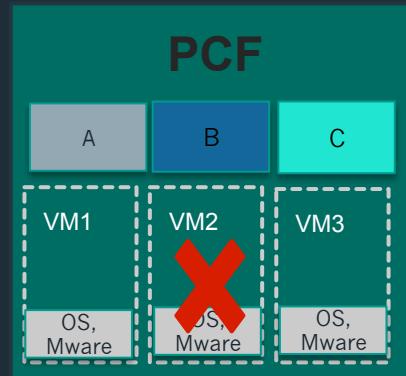
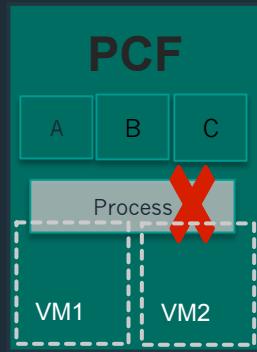
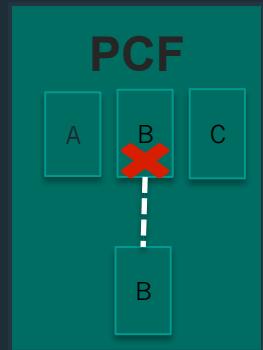
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How Pivotal CF enables four layers of HA



If an **app fails**, PCF reboots app in a new container.

If a **process fails**, PCF restarts the process

If an **OS or network failure occurs** PCF kills the VM and reboots the host in a new Virtual machine.

If a **datacenter rack fails**, PCF ensures applications stay running in multiple availability zones

App Fail

Process Fail

VM Fail

Rack Fail

A dark, atmospheric photograph showing the silhouettes of many people walking through a modern building with large glass windows and a polished floor that reflects the light. The scene is dimly lit, with a bright horizontal band of light highlighting the text.

BOSH-BASED PLATFORM UPDATES

Canary Deployments

```
33 update:  
34   canaries: 1  
35   canary_watch_time: 30000-300000  
36   max_errors: 2  
37   max_in_flight: 1  
38   update_watch_time: 30000-300000
```



Manifest



How Do Canary Deployments Work?

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- `canaries` [Integer, required] Number of canary instances. Canary instances are being updated before other instances and any update error for canary instance means the deployment should stop. This prevents a buggy package or job from taking over all job instances, as only canaries will be affected by a problematic code. After canaries are done, other instances of this job will be updated in parallel (respecting `max_in_flight` setting).
- `canary_watch_time` [Range, Integer] How long to wait for canary update to declare job healthy or unhealthy. If Integer is given, director will sleep for that many seconds and check if job is healthy. If Range `lo..hi` is given it will wait for `lo` ms, see if job is healthy, and if it's not it will sleep some more, all up until `hi` ms have passed. If job is still unhealthy it will give up.
- `update_watch_time` [Range Integer]: Semantically no different from `canary_watch_time`, used for regular (non-canary) updates.
- `max_in_flight` [Integer, required] Maximum number of non-canary instance updates that can happen in parallel.

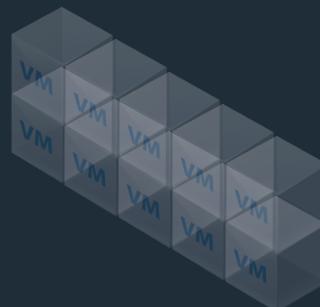


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No downtime, atomic
rolling update

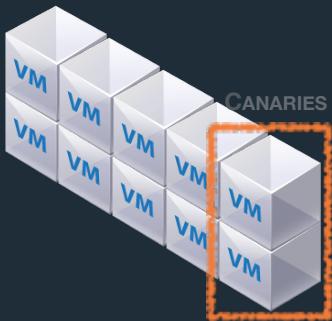


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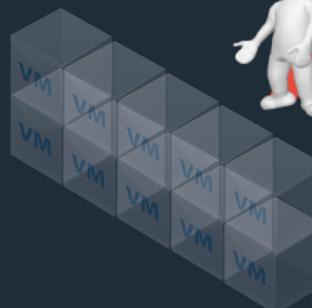
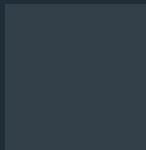
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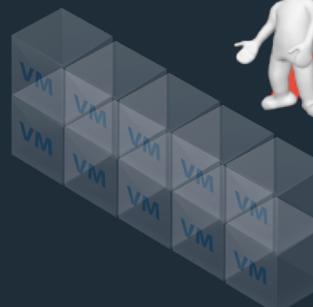
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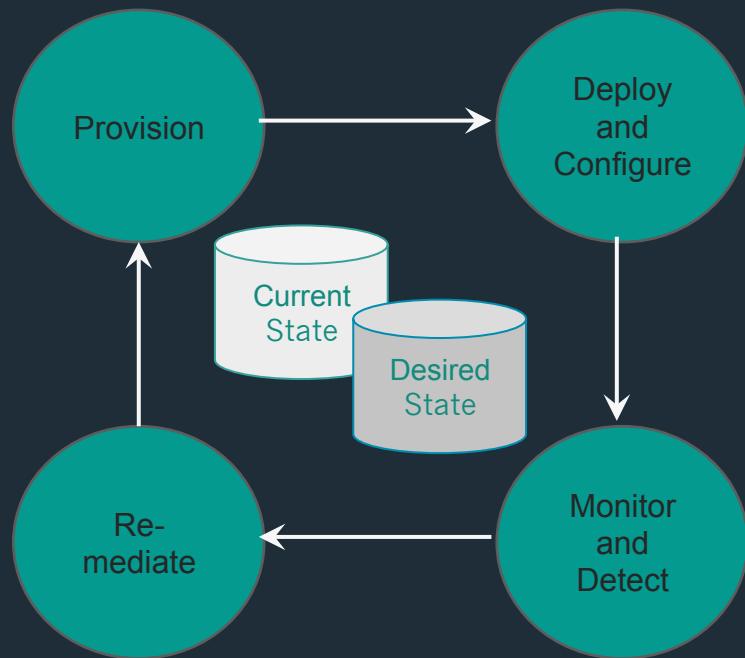


v1.2



BOSH – Purpose-built for “Day 2 Operations”

Consistent, Reliable, Scalable, Secure



- Checks against “desired state to return consistency
- No ad hoc automation burden
- Manage services, not servers
- 4 layers of Self Healing

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Troubleshooting a BOSH deployment



BOSH tasks

bosh tasks recent

```
➔ ~ bosh tasks recent
Acting as user 'admin' on 'Bosh Lite Director'

+---+-----+-----+-----+-----+
| # | State | Timestamp           | User   | Description          | Result
+---+-----+-----+-----+-----+
| 10 | done  | 2016-01-10 20:16:16 UTC | admin  | create deployment    | /deployments/redis
| 8  | done  | 2016-01-10 20:04:40 UTC | admin  | create deployment    | /deployments/redis
| 7  | error | 2016-01-10 20:02:55 UTC | admin  | create deployment    | `redis-master/0' asked for a static IP 10.244.0.1 but it's already reserved/in...
| 6  | error | 2016-01-10 20:02:39 UTC | admin  | create deployment    | Required property `networks' was not specified in object...
| 5  | error | 2016-01-10 20:01:59 UTC | admin  | create deployment    | Property `name' (value nil) did not match the required type `String'
| 4  | error | 2016-01-10 20:01:29 UTC | admin  | create deployment    | Required property `update' was not specified in object ({"name"=>"redis",...
| 2  | done  | 2016-01-10 03:26:34 UTC | admin  | create release       | Created release `redis/9.1'
| 1  | done  | 2016-01-10 03:08:17 UTC | admin  | create stemcell      | /stemcells/bosh-warden-boshlite-ubuntu-trusty-go_agent/3147
+---+-----+-----+-----+-----+
```

BOSH tasks

bosh tasks recent --no-filter

#	State	Timestamp	User	Description	Result
21	done	2016-01-10 23:56:26 UTC	admin	scan cloud	scan complete
20	done	2016-01-10 23:50:25 UTC	admin	retrieve vm-stats	
19	done	2016-01-10 23:49:25 UTC	admin	retrieve vm-stats	
18	done	2016-01-10 23:48:59 UTC	admin	retrieve vm-stats	
17	done	2016-01-10 22:36:55 UTC	admin	scan and fix	scan and fix complete
16	done	2016-01-10 22:36:54 UTC	admin	scan and fix	scan and fix complete
15	done	2016-01-10 22:36:54 UTC	admin	scan and fix	scan and fix complete
14	done	2016-01-10 20:31:35 UTC	admin	ssh: setup:[{"job=>"redis-master", "indexes=>["0"], "ids=>["0"]}]	
13	done	2016-01-10 20:28:16 UTC	admin	retrieve vm-stats	
12	done	2016-01-10 20:28:06 UTC	admin	retrieve vm-stats	
11	done	2016-01-10 20:27:31 UTC	admin	retrieve vm-stats	
10	done	2016-01-10 20:16:16 UTC	admin	create deployment	/deployments/redis
8	done	2016-01-10 20:04:40 UTC	admin	create deployment	/deployments/redis
9	error	2016-01-10 20:04:39 UTC	admin	ssh: setup:[{"job=>"redis", "indexes=>[], "ids=>[]}]	No instances matched {:deployment_id=>1, :job=>"redis"} `redis-master/0` asked for a static IP 10.244.0.1 but it's already reserved/in...
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5	error	2016-01-10 20:01:59 UTC	admin	create deployment	Enqueued snapshot tasks □ Created release `redis/9.1'
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3	done	2016-01-10 07:00:02 UTC	scheduler	scheduled SnapshotDeployments	
2	done	2016-01-10 03:26:34 UTC	admin	create release	
1	done	2016-01-10 03:08:17 UTC	admin	create stemcell	

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Debug a BOSH task

```
bosh task 10 --debug
```

```
⇒ ~ bosh task 10 --debug
Acting as user 'admin' on 'Bosh Lite Director'

Director task 10
I, [2016-01-10T20:15:40.491686 #1759] [0x3f9453c45334] INFO -- TaskHelper: Director Version: 1.3074.0
I, [2016-01-10T20:15:40.491731 #1759] [0x3f9453c45334] INFO -- TaskHelper: Enqueuing task: 10
I, [2016-01-10 20:15:40 #22555] □ INFO -- DirectorJobRunner: Looking for task with task id 10
D, [2016-01-10 20:15:40 #22555] □ DEBUG -- DirectorJobRunner: (0.000491s) SELECT NULL
D, [2016-01-10 20:15:40 #22555] □ DEBUG -- DirectorJobRunner: (0.000183s) SELECT * FROM "tasks" WHERE "id" = 10
I, [2016-01-10 20:15:40 #22555] □ INFO -- DirectorJobRunner: Starting task: 10
I, [2016-01-10 20:15:40 #22555] [task:10] INFO -- DirectorJobRunner: Creating job
D, [2016-01-10 20:15:40 #22555] [task:10] DEBUG -- DirectorJobRunner: (0.000134s) SELECT NULL
D, [2016-01-10 20:15:40 #22555] [task:10] DEBUG -- DirectorJobRunner: (0.000133s) SELECT * FROM "tasks" WHERE "id" = 10
I, [2016-01-10 20:15:40 #22555] [task:10] INFO -- DirectorJobRunner: Performing task: 10
D, [2016-01-10 20:15:40 #22555] [task:10] DEBUG -- DirectorJobRunner: (0.000284s) SELECT NULL
D, [2016-01-10 20:15:40 #22555] [task:10] DEBUG -- DirectorJobRunner: (0.000060s) BEGIN
D, [2016-01-10 20:15:40 #22555] [task:10] DEBUG -- DirectorJobRunner: (0.000195s) UPDATE "tasks" SET "state" = 'processing', "times" '/var/vcap/store/director/tasks/10', "checkpoint_time" = '2016-01-10 20:15:40.803556+0000', "type" = 'update_deployment', "username" "root"
D, [2016-01-10 20:15:40 #22555] [task:10] DEBUG -- DirectorJobRunner: (0.000457s) COMMIT
I, [2016-01-10 20:15:40 #22555] [task:10] INFO -- DirectorJobRunner: Reading deployment manifest
D, [2016-01-10 20:15:40 #22555] [task:10] DEBUG -- DirectorJobRunner: Manifest:
---
name: redis
director_uuid: 9bca5701-66c0-43ee-a4d0-64813b4b5ece
releases:
- name: redis
  version: '9.1'
compilation:
  workers: 6
  network: default
  reuse_compilation_vms: true
  cloud_properties: {}
  
```

List VMs

```
bosh vms
```

```
→ redis-boshrelease git:(master) ✘ bosh vms  
Acting as user 'admin' on 'Bosh Lite Director'  
Deployment `redis'
```

```
Director task 11
```

```
Task 11 done
```

VM	State	VM Type	IPs
redis-master/0	running	default	10.244.0.2
redis-slave/0	running	default	10.244.0.3
redis-slave/1	running	default	10.244.0.4

```
VMs total: 3
```

- **running**: indicates that all release job's processes are successfully running at that moment
- **failing**: indicates one of the release job's processes is not successfully running (could be failing to start, or exiting after some time, etc.)
- **unresponsive**: the Director did not receive any response from the Agent

Monitor VM's state and vitals

bosh vms --vitals

```
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Deployment `redis'
```

Director task 13

Task 13 done

VM	State	VM Type	IPs	Load	CPU	CPU	CPU	Memory Usage	Swap Usage	System	Ephemeral	Persistent
				(avg01, avg05, avg15)	User	Sys	Wait			Disk Usage	Disk Usage	Disk Usage
redis-master/0	running	default	10.244.0.2	0.08, 0.07, 0.07	0.3%	0.2%	0.0%	15% (920.4M)	0% (0B)	2%	7%	2%
redis-slave/0	running	default	10.244.0.3	0.08, 0.07, 0.07	0.3%	0.2%	0.0%	15% (920.2M)	0% (0B)	2%	7%	2%
redis-slave/1	running	default	10.244.0.4	0.08, 0.07, 0.07	0.3%	0.2%	0.0%	15% (920.2M)	0% (0B)	2%	7%	2%

VMs total: 3

SSH into a VM

bosh ssh job/index

```
→ redis-boshrelease git:(master) ✘ bosh ssh redis-master/0
Acting as user 'admin' on deployment 'redis' on 'Bosh Lite Director'
Target deployment is 'redis'

Setting up ssh artifacts

Director task 14

Task 14 done
Starting interactive shell on job redis-master/0
Ubuntu 14.04.3 LTS \n \l

Welcome to Ubuntu 14.04 LTS (GNU/Linux 3.13.0-29-generic x86_64)

 * Documentation:  https://help.ubuntu.com/

The programs included with the Ubuntu system are free software;
the exact distribution terms for each program are described in the
individual files in /usr/share/doc/*copyright.

Ubuntu comes with ABSOLUTELY NO WARRANTY, to the extent permitted by
applicable law.

To run a command as administrator (user "root"), use "sudo <command>".
See "man sudo_root" for details.

bosh_ibezv8b77@5af1b21f-7a5a-4188-9cdd-40472db53397:~$ sudo su -
```

The Agent on each VM sends an alert when someone/something tries to log into the system via SSH. Successful and failed attempts are recorded.

Some IaaS set a “secret” root password. By default is “c1oudcw0” (SHHH!!!)

Setting a custom root password

```
resource_pools:  
- name: default  
  network: default  
  stemcell:  
    name: bosh-warden-boshlite-ubuntu-trusty-go_agent  
    version: latest  
  cloud_properties: {}  
env:  
  bosh:  
    password: "$6$092f07e912df1395$guwt9rAPzwW3q/jaIq5vwu9"
```



Hashed password - Generate SHA hash using “mkpasswd -m sha-512”

Process health-check

“monit summary”

“monit (status|start|stop)”

<https://mmonit.com/monit/>

```
root@5af1b21f-7a5a-4188-9cdd-40472db53397:~# monit status
The Monit daemon 5.2.4 uptime: 43m

Process 'redis'
  status          running
  monitoring status monitored
  pid             2772
  parent pid      1
  uptime          43m
  children         0
  memory kilobytes    10892
  memory kilobytes total 10892
  memory percent     0.1%
  memory percent total 0.1%
  cpu percent        0.0%
  cpu percent total 0.0%
  data collected    Sun Jan 10 20:48:19 2016

System 'system_5af1b21f-7a5a-4188-9cdd-40472db53397'
  status          running
  monitoring status monitored
  load average    [0.06] [0.08] [0.06]
  cpu            0.0%us 0.1%sy 0.0%wa
  memory usage    934744 kB [15.2%]
  swap usage      4 kB [0.0%]
  data collected    Sun Jan 10 20:48:19 2016
```

Process recovery in action

If a process dies, the BOSH agent will restart it again automatically

```
root@5af1b21f-7a5a-4188-9cdd-40472db53397:~# ps -aux
USER      PID %CPU %MEM    VSZ   RSS TTY      STAT START  TIME COMMAND
root        1  0.0  0.0  8308  4352 ?      S<1 20:04 0:00 initd -dropCapabilities=false -title="wshd: 9vhck6dosv8"
root       17  0.0  0.0   196   40 ?      S< 20:04 0:00 runsvdir -P /etc/service log: .....
root       23  0.0  0.0   176    4 ?      S<s 20:04 0:00 runsv agent
root       24  0.0  0.0   176    4 ?      S<s 20:04 0:00 runsv rsyslog
root       25  0.0  0.0   176    4 ?      S<s 20:04 0:00 runsv ssh
root       27  0.0  0.0   192    4 ?      S< 20:04 0:00 svlogd -tt /var/vcap/bosh/log
root      28  0.0  0.2 303824 15000 ?      S<1 20:04 0:00 /var/vcap/bosh/bin/bosh-agent -P ubuntu -C /var/vcap/bosh/agent.json
syslog     31  0.0  0.0 280696 3812 ?      S<1 20:04 0:00 rsyslogd -
root      89  0.0  0.0   176    4 ?      S<s 20:04 0:00 runsv monit
root      90  0.0  0.0   192    4 ?      S< 20:04 0:00 svlogd -tt /var/vcap/monit/svlog
root      92  0.0  0.0  91484  2740 ?      S<1 20:04 0:00 /var/vcap/bosh/bin/monit -I -c /var/vcap/bosh/etc/monitrc
root      94  0.0  0.0  61376  5420 ?      S< 20:04 0:00 /usr/sbin/sshd -D
root     2772  0.1  0.1 36744 10892 ?      S<s1 20:04 0:04 redis-server *:6379
root     2800  0.0  0.0  93024  5764 ?      S<s 20:31 0:00 sshd: bosh_ibezv8b77 [priv]
bosh_ib+ 2811  0.0  0.0  93024  2984 ?      S< 20:31 0:00 sshd: bosh_ibezv8b77@pts/0
bosh_ib+ 2812  0.0  0.0 19792  3772 pts/0    S<s 20:31 0:00 -bash
root     2823  0.0  0.0  46560  3460 pts/0    S< 20:31 0:00 sudo su -
root     2824  0.0  0.0  48204  3100 pts/0    S< 20:31 0:00 su -
root     2825  0.0  0.0 19784  3788 pts/0    S< 20:31 0:00 -su
root     2837  0.0  0.0 17172  2640 pts/0    R<+ 20:44 0:00 ps -aux
root@5af1b21f-7a5a-4188-9cdd-40472db53397:~# kill -9 2772
```

VM health-check

- The Health Monitor continuously checks the presence of the deployed VMs.
- The Agent on each VM produces a heartbeat every minute and sends it to the Health Monitor.
- The Health Monitor is extended by a set of plugins. Each plugin is given an opportunity to act on each heartbeat, so in cases of failure it can notify external services or perform actions against the Director.

Health Monitor plugins

- Event Logger: Logs events to a file
- Resurrector: Recreates VMs that have stopped heartbeating
- Emailer: Sends configurable e-mails on events receipt
- OpenTSDB: Sends events to OpenTSDB
- Graphite: Sends events to Graphite
- PagerDuty: Sends events to PagerDuty.com using their API
- DataDog: Sends events to DataDog.com using their API
- AWS CloudWatch: Sends events to Amazon's CloudWatch using their API

Configuring Health Monitor: <http://bosh.io/docs/hm-config.html>

Resurrector Health Monitor plugin

- It's responsible for automatically recreating VMs that become inaccessible.
- It continuously cross-references VMs expected to be running against the VMs that are sending heartbeats. When resurrector does not receive heartbeats for a VM for a certain period of time, it will kick off a task on the Director (scan and fix task) to try to “resurrect” that VM.
- Under certain conditions the Resurrector will consider the system in the “meltdown” and will stop sending requests to the Director.

Disabling manually the Resurrector

“bosh vm resurrection job index on|off”

```
→ ~ bosh vm resurrection redis-slave 0 off
Acting as user 'admin' on deployment 'redis' on 'Bosh Lite Director'
→ ~ bosh vms --details
Acting as user 'admin' on 'Bosh Lite Director'
Deployment `redis'
```

Director task 20

Task 20 done

VM	State	VM Type	IPs	CID	Agent ID	Resurrection
redis-master/0	running	default	10.244.0.2	e216a2f1-b3a1-4a06-7a46-f220ab967aca	5af1b21f-7a5a-4188-9cdd-40472db53397	active
redis-slave/0	running	default	10.244.0.3	1634f786-a79e-49e1-7e27-0bb687f138c6	edbfaab1-0fa8-4fd1-84ce-05eb4938f85	paused
redis-slave/1	running	default	10.244.0.4	e4d96bff-92f8-4e64-6588-d7b272dadaca	5c75a317-8514-42e2-ace2-026349c96370	active

VMs total: 3

Manual repair with Cloud Check

BOSH provides the Cloud Check CLI command (a.k.a cck) to repair IaaS resources used by a specific deployment. It is not commonly used while normal operations; however, it becomes essential when some IaaS operations failed and the Director cannot resolve problems without a human decision or when the Resurrector is not enabled.

- VM is missing
- VM is not responsive (unresponsive agent)
- Persistent Disk is not attached
- Persistent Disk is missing

Manual repair with Cloud Check

```
bosh cck
```

```
➔ ~ bosh cck
Acting as user 'admin' on deployment 'redis' on 'Bosh Lite Director'
Performing cloud check...

Director task 21
  Started scanning 3 vms
    Started scanning 3 vms > Checking VM states. Done (00:00:00)
      Started scanning 3 vms > 3 OK, 0 unresponsive, 0 missing, 0 unbound, 0 out of sync. Done (00:00:00)
        Done scanning 3 vms (00:00:00)

  Started scanning 0 persistent disks
    Started scanning 0 persistent disks > Looking for inactive disks. Done (00:00:00)
      Started scanning 0 persistent disks > 0 OK, 0 missing, 0 inactive, 0 mount-info mismatch. Done (00:00:00)
        Done scanning 0 persistent disks (00:00:00)

Task 21 done

Started          2016-01-10 23:56:26 UTC
Finished         2016-01-10 23:56:26 UTC
Duration        00:00:00

Scan is complete, checking if any problems found...
No problems found
```

VM Configuration Locations

- `/var/vcap/bosh/log/current`: current BOSH agent log
- `/var/vcap/monit/monit.log`: Monit activity log.
Includes information about starts, stops, restarts, etc. of release job processes monitored by Monit

VM Configuration Locations

- `/var/vcap/jobs`: contains evaluated release jobs for the assigned deployment job
- `/var/vcap/packages`: contains enabled release packages for the assigned deployment job
- `/var/vcap/data`: used by the release jobs to keep *ephemeral* data
- `/var/vcap/store`: used by the release jobs to keep *persistent* data

VM Configuration Locations

- `/var/vcap/sys/run`: directory that is used by the release jobs to keep miscellaneous ephemeral data about currently running processes, for example, pid and lock files
- `/var/vcap/sys/log`: directory that is used by the release jobs to keep logs

Log rotation

BOSH log rotates release job logs with the Logrotate log file management utility with the following non-configurable settings:

- `missingok`: Skip missing log files and do not generate an error message
- `rotate 7`: Keep seven log files at a time
- `compress`: Compress old log files with gzip
- `delaycompress`: Postpone compression of log files until the next rotation cycle
- `copytruncate`: Copy log files, then truncate in place instead of creating new files
- `size 50M`: Rotate log files when they exceed 50 MB in size.

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