



# THE FUTURE ROLE OF MICROSERVICES IN SAS® ARCHITECTURE

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## THEMEN

## SAS® VIYA

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## THE NEW SAS® ARCHITECTURE

Operative Systeme:  
SAP u.a.

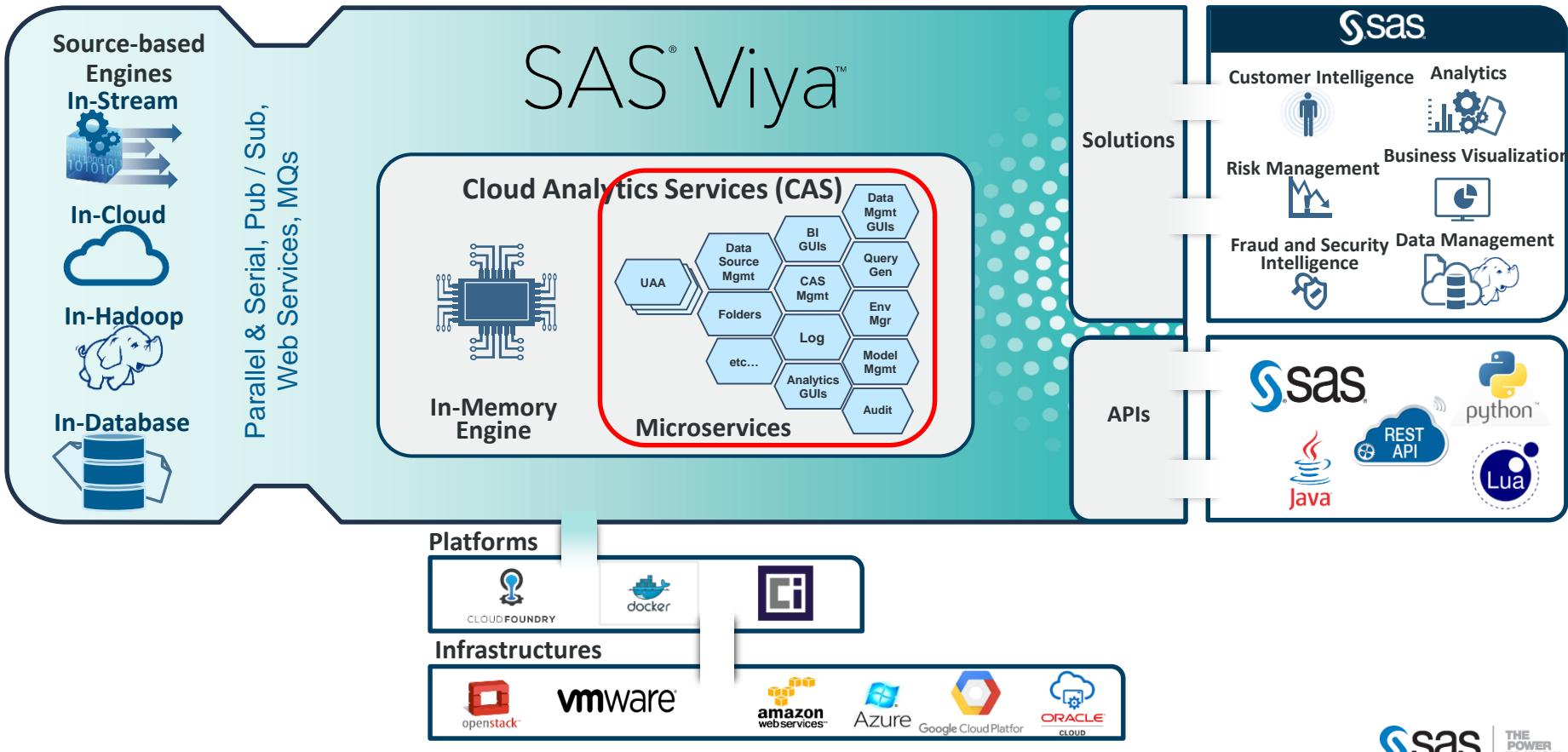
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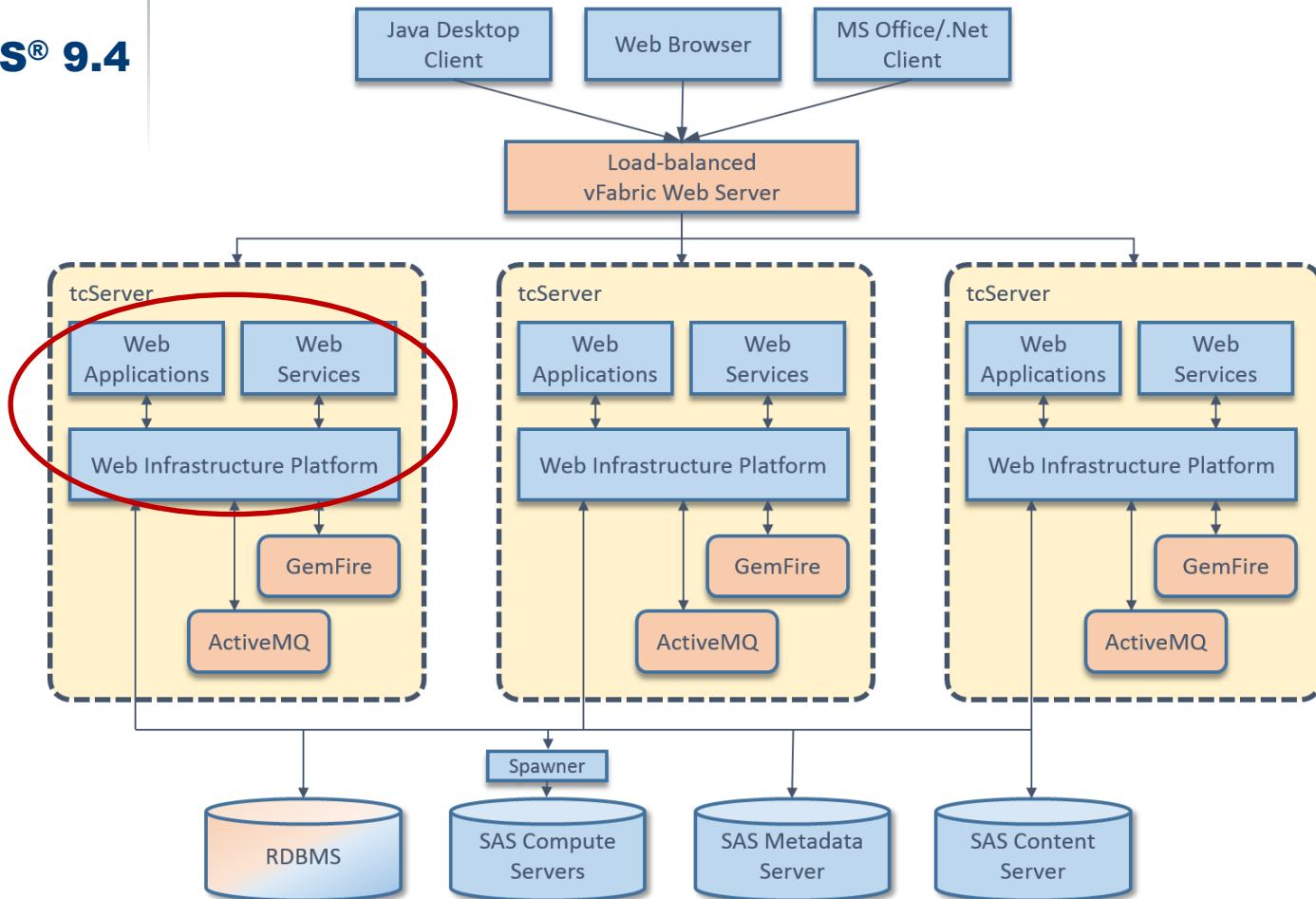
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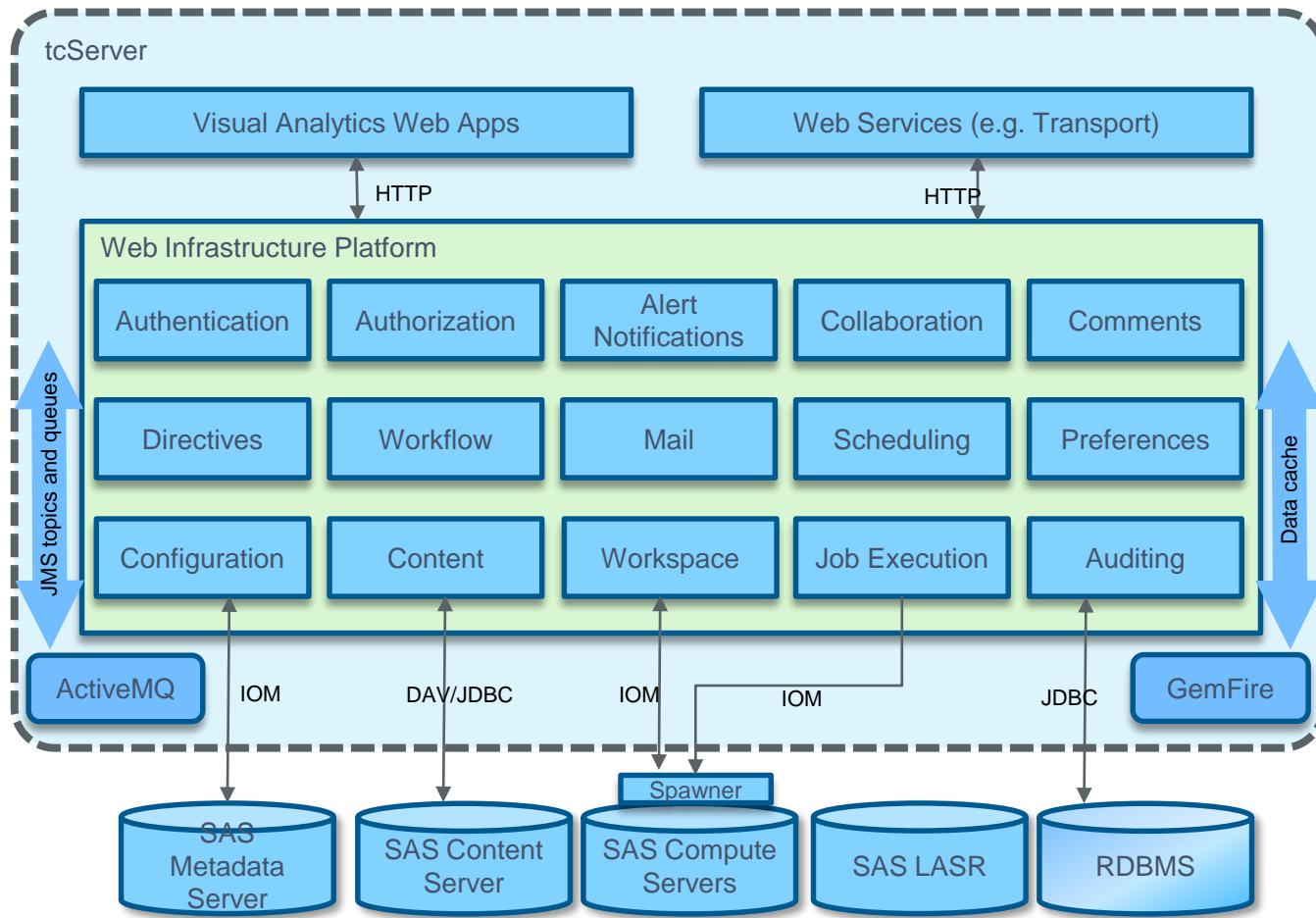


# MICROSERVICES



## REVIEW: SAS® 9.4





- SAS® is rearchitecting its middle tier components and adopting a **microservice** model, replacing
  - SAS® Metadata Server,
  - Web Infrastructure Plarform ('WIP', SAS® Midtier services),
  - Integrated Object Model ('IOM', interface to Base SAS®),

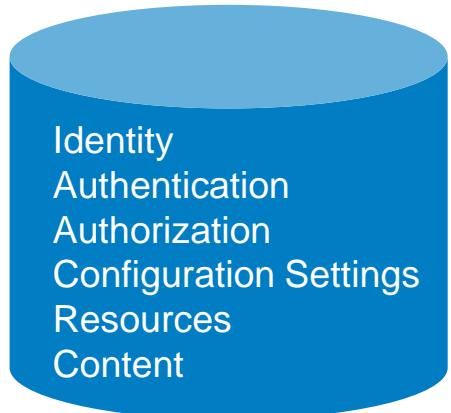
## MICROSERVICES A DEFINITION

- “*... small, independent processes that communicate with each other to form complex applications which utilize language-agnostic APIs.*
- *These services are small building blocks, highly decoupled and focused on doing a small task, facilitating a modular approach to system-building.*
- *The microservices architectural style is becoming the standard for building continuously deployed systems.“*

<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Microservices>

## MICROSERVICES

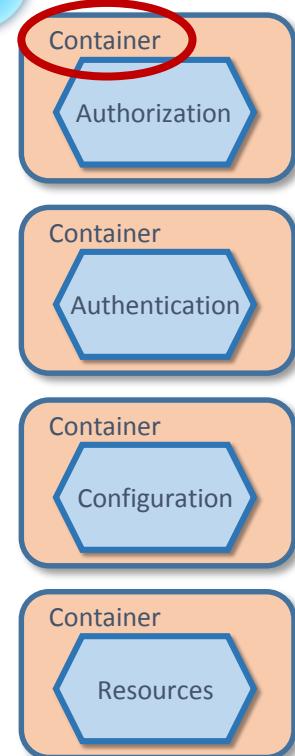
## HANDLING METADATA



SAS® 9.4  
Metadata Server



Separate microservices  
for each feature



- “... server virtualization method in which the kernel of an operating system allows the existence of **multiple isolated user-space instances**, instead of just one.
- Such instances ... may **look and feel like a real server** from the point of view of its owners and users.

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Operating-system-level\\_virtualization](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Operating-system-level_virtualization)

## DOCKER

„AN OPEN-SOURCE PROJECT...“



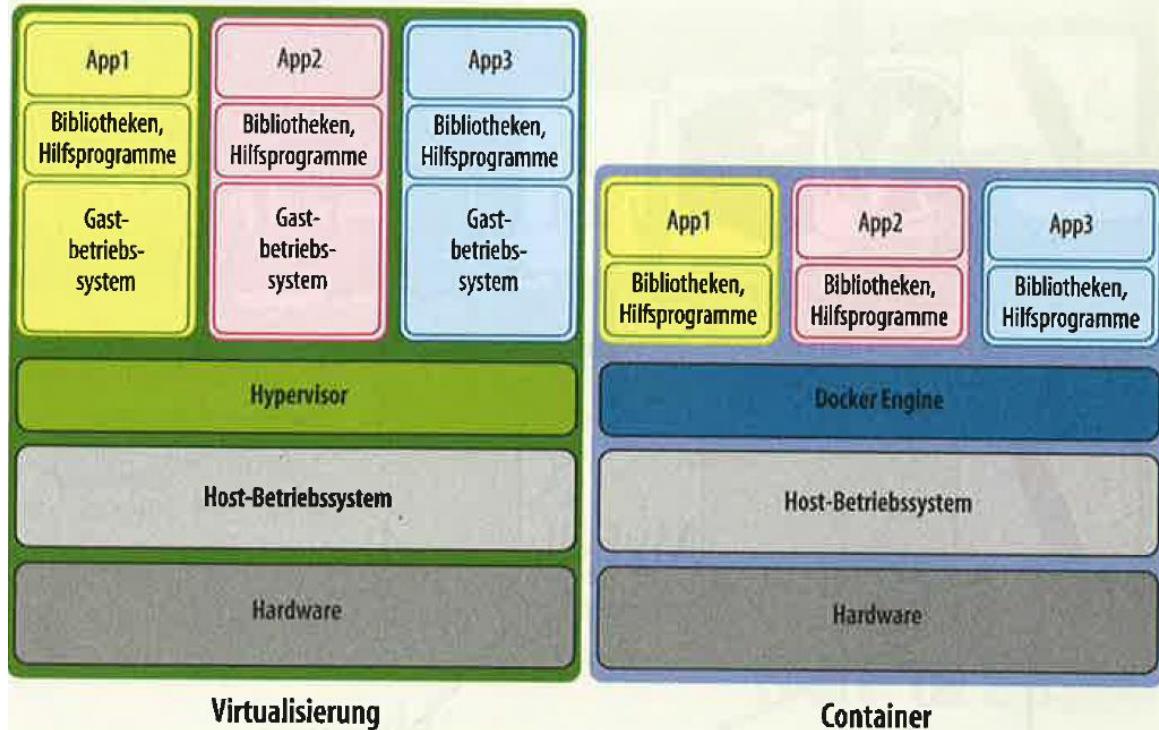
- “... that automates the **deployment of applications** inside software containers, by providing an additional layer of abstraction and automation of **operating-system-level virtualization on Linux**.“
- *Docker uses the resource isolation features of the Linux kernel such as **cgroups** and kernel **namespaces**, ... to allow independent "containers" to run within a single Linux instance, **avoiding the overhead of starting and maintaining virtual machines**.“*

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Docker\\_\(software\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Docker_(software))

# CONTAINER

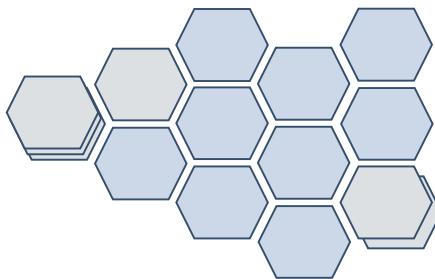
# VS. VIRTUELLE MASCHINEN

Virtuelle Maschinen haben einen deutlich höheren Ressourcenbedarf als Container, da jede VM ein komplettes Betriebssystem booten muss. Allerdings kann in Containern kein anderes Betriebssystem laufen als auf dem Host.



c't 2016/5, Knowhow-  
Container, p.108-124

### “Stateless” Services



### Persistent Store



The stateless services are spun up, perform their service and typically terminate.

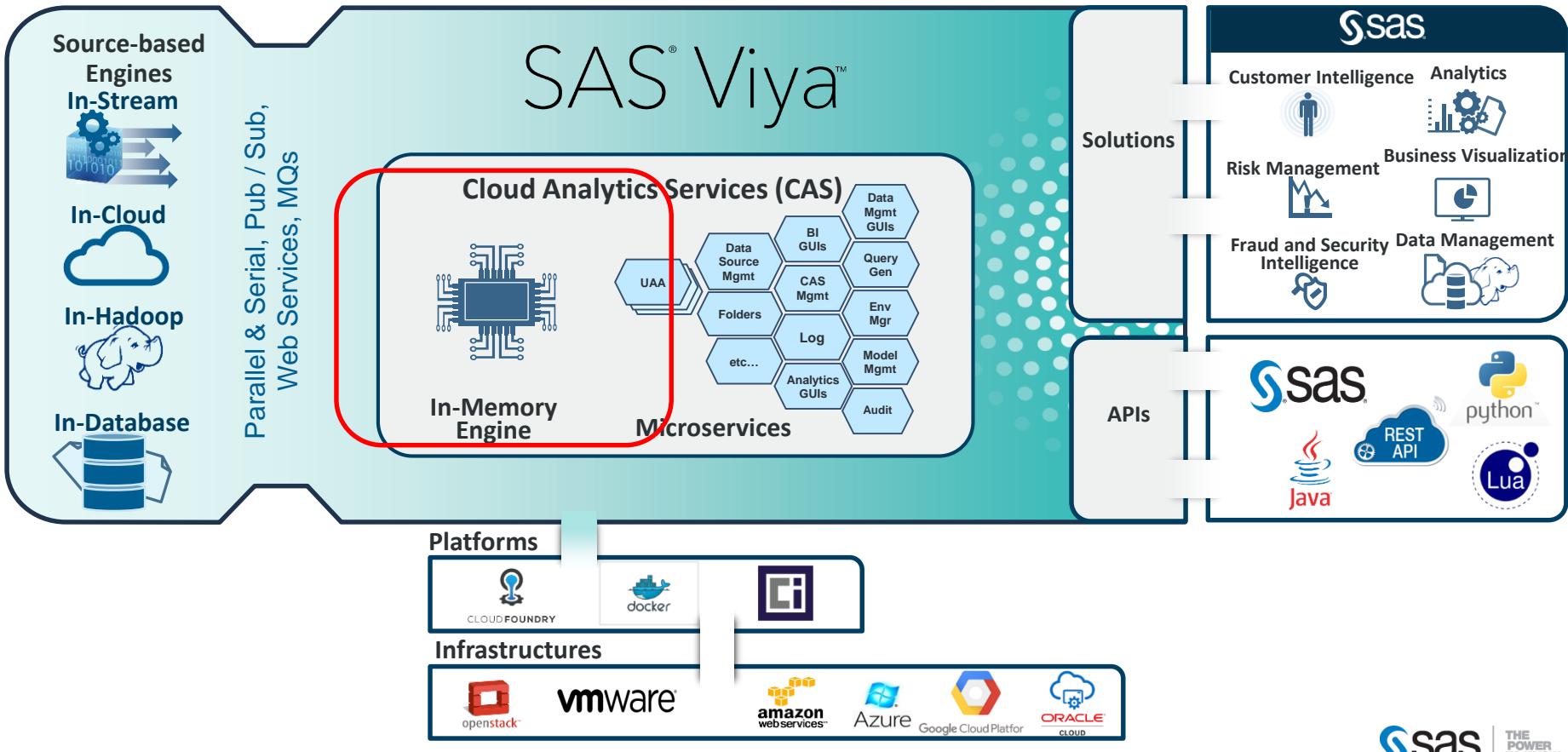
Data are stored in:

- **PostgreSQL**: user data like report descriptions; replaces content server.
- **RabbitMQ**: messaging queueing, and caching.
- **CONSUL**: configuration data.

# IN-MEMORY ENGINE



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SAS® Viya runtime environment:

- In-memory technology of LASR,
- merged with that of SAS® High-Performance Analytics,
- plus extended Enterprise / Cloud Capabilities.

To be distinguished from „source-based“ engines like:

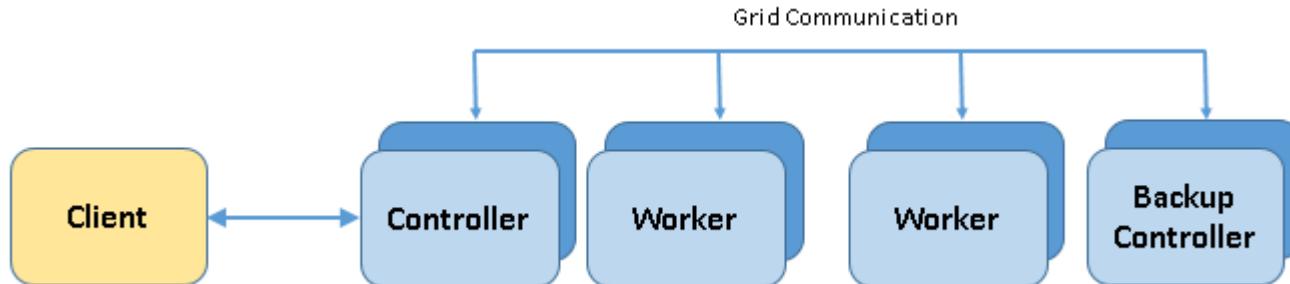
- in-database, in-hadoop, in-stream.

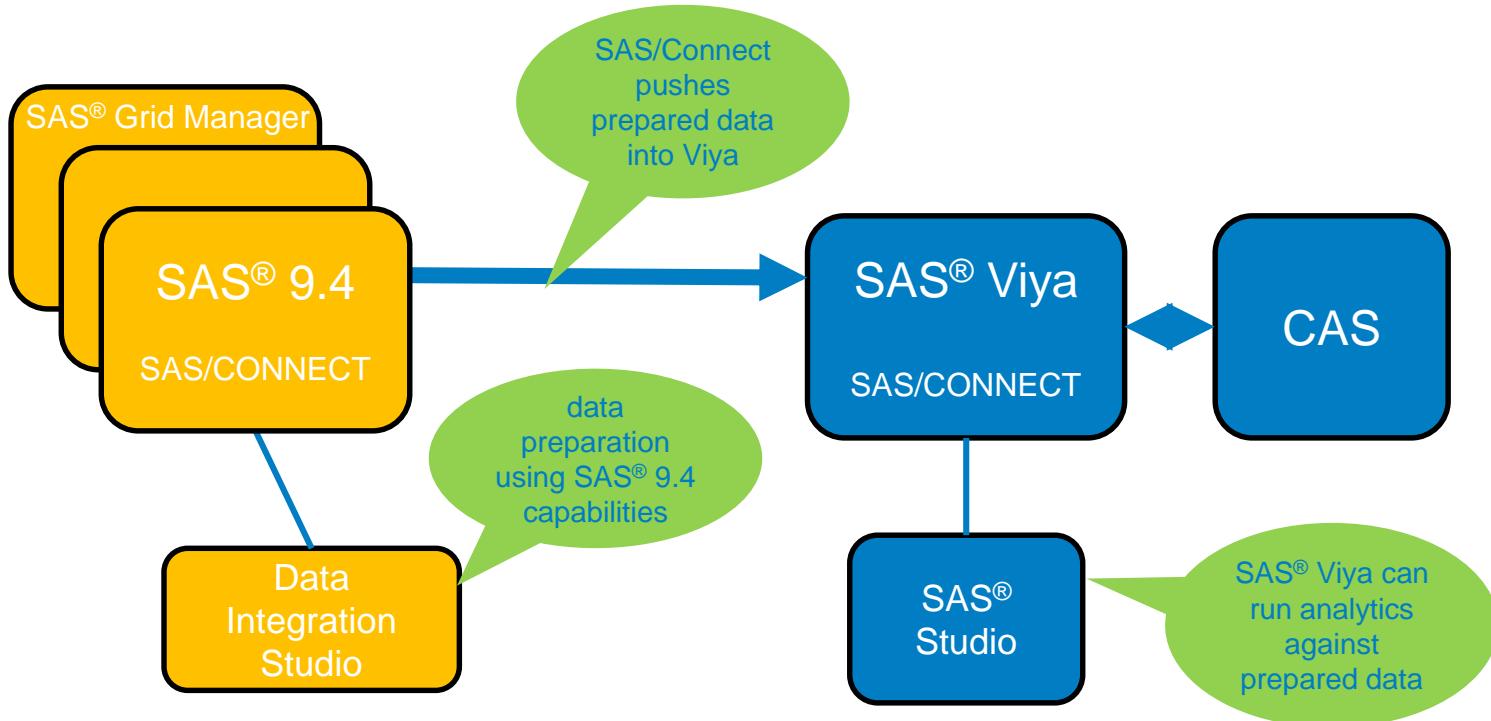
### Server:

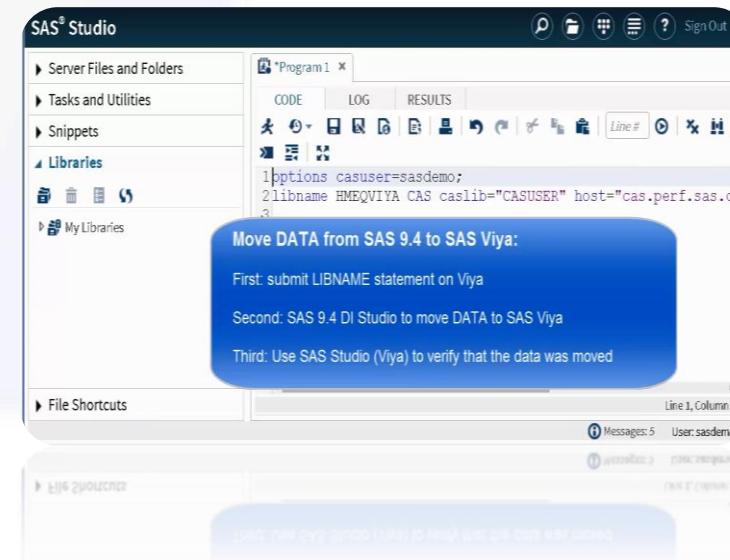
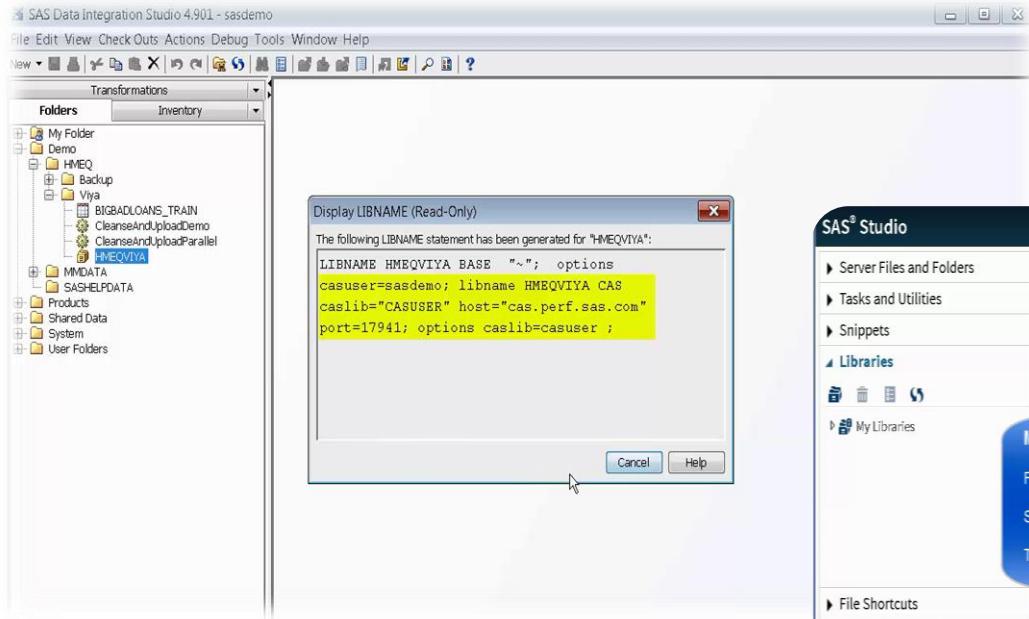
- 1 - n Controller Nodes (vgl. Hadoop® head nodes).
- 0 - m Worker Nodes (vgl. Hadoop® data nodes).

### Clients:

- Scripting languages like Lua, Python, Perl, R, MATLAB.
- Public APIs for Java und C.
- Also: DATA Step and MVA SAS®!



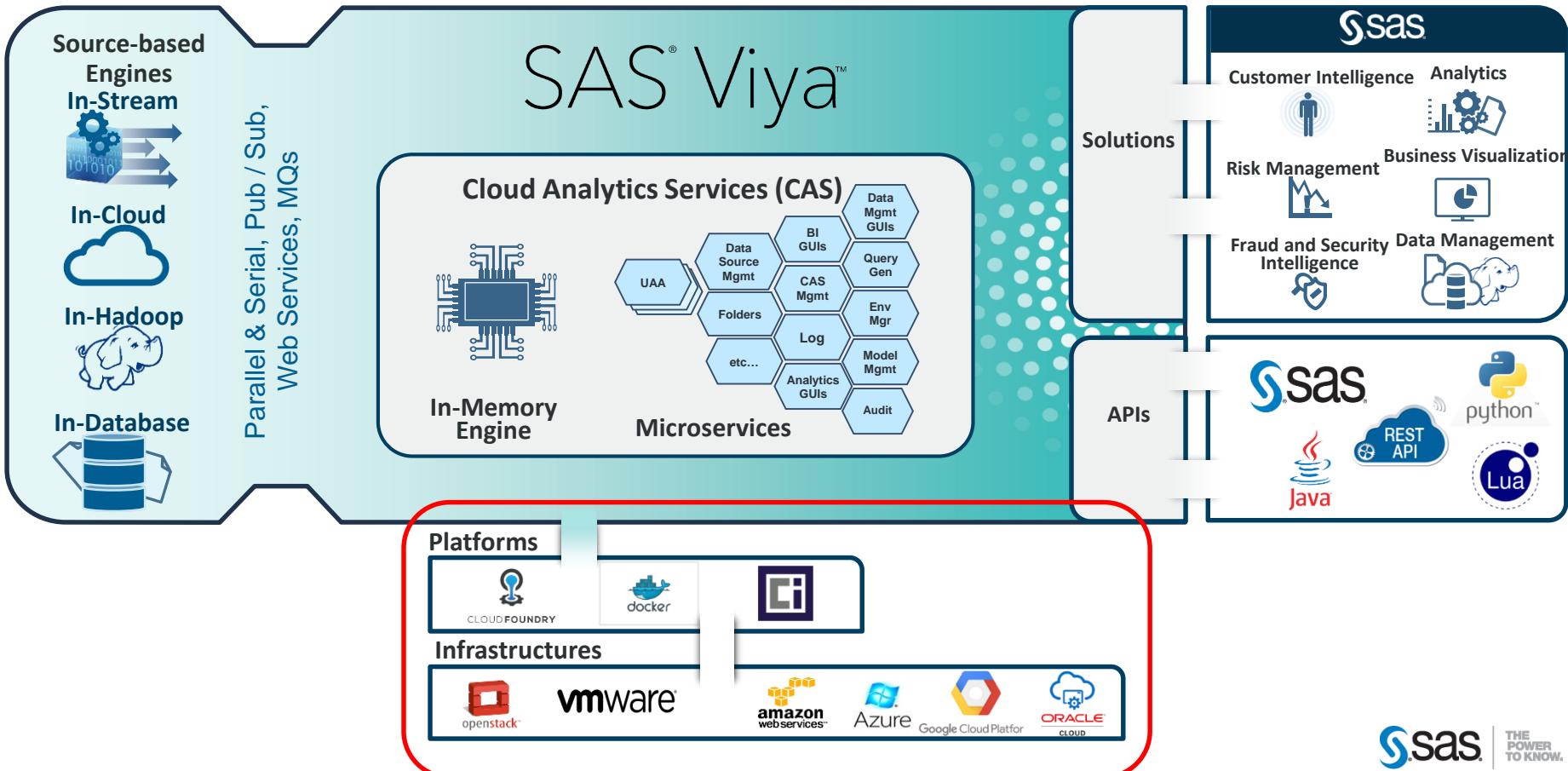




# SAS® VIYA & CLOUD



# SAS® Viya™ CONCEPTUAL ARCHITECTURE



**TODAY'S  
PORTABILITY**

**MULTI-VENDOR ARCHITECTURE**

MVS

OS/2

IRIX

Solaris

Windows

Tru64

HP-UX

AIX

SunOS

Linux

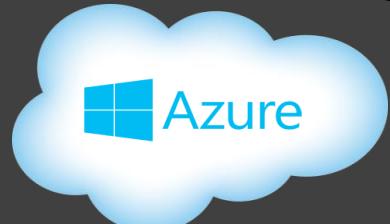
# TOMORROW'S PORTABILITY

## MULTI-CLOUD ARCHITECTURE

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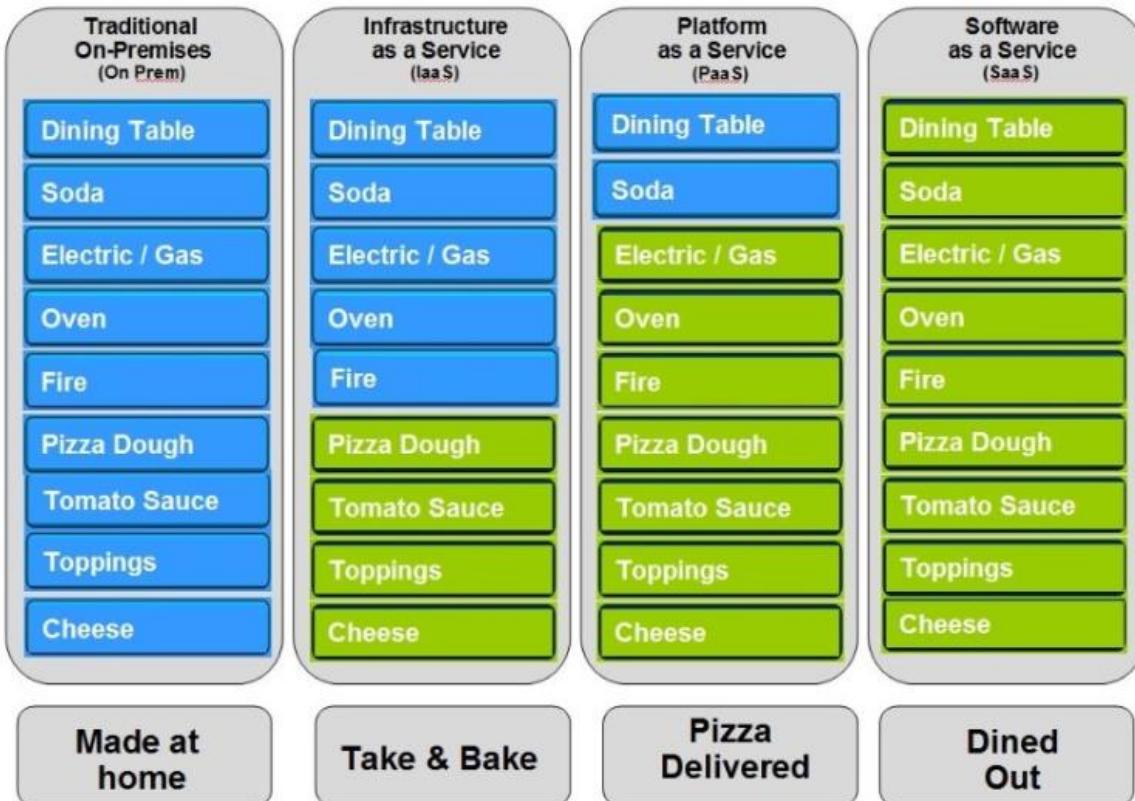
IRIX



Linux

# SERVICE LAYERS

## „PIZZA-AS-A-SERVICE“ ☺



<https://www.linkedin.com/pulse/20140730172610-9679881-pizza-as-a-service>

■ You Manage ■ Vendor Manages

## CLOUD FOUNDRY

## EXAMPLE OF PaaS SUPPORT

Application



Runtime Platform



Infrastructure



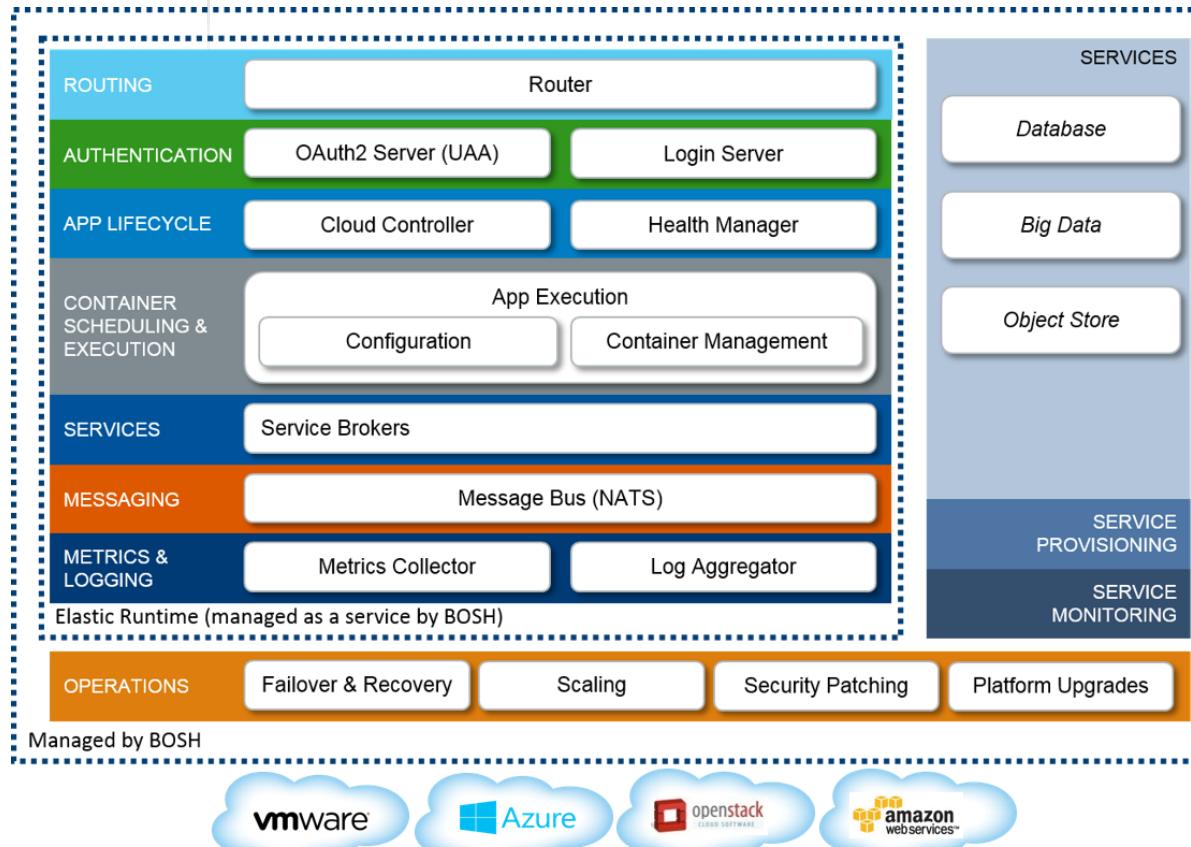
Microsoft Azure



Google Cloud Platform

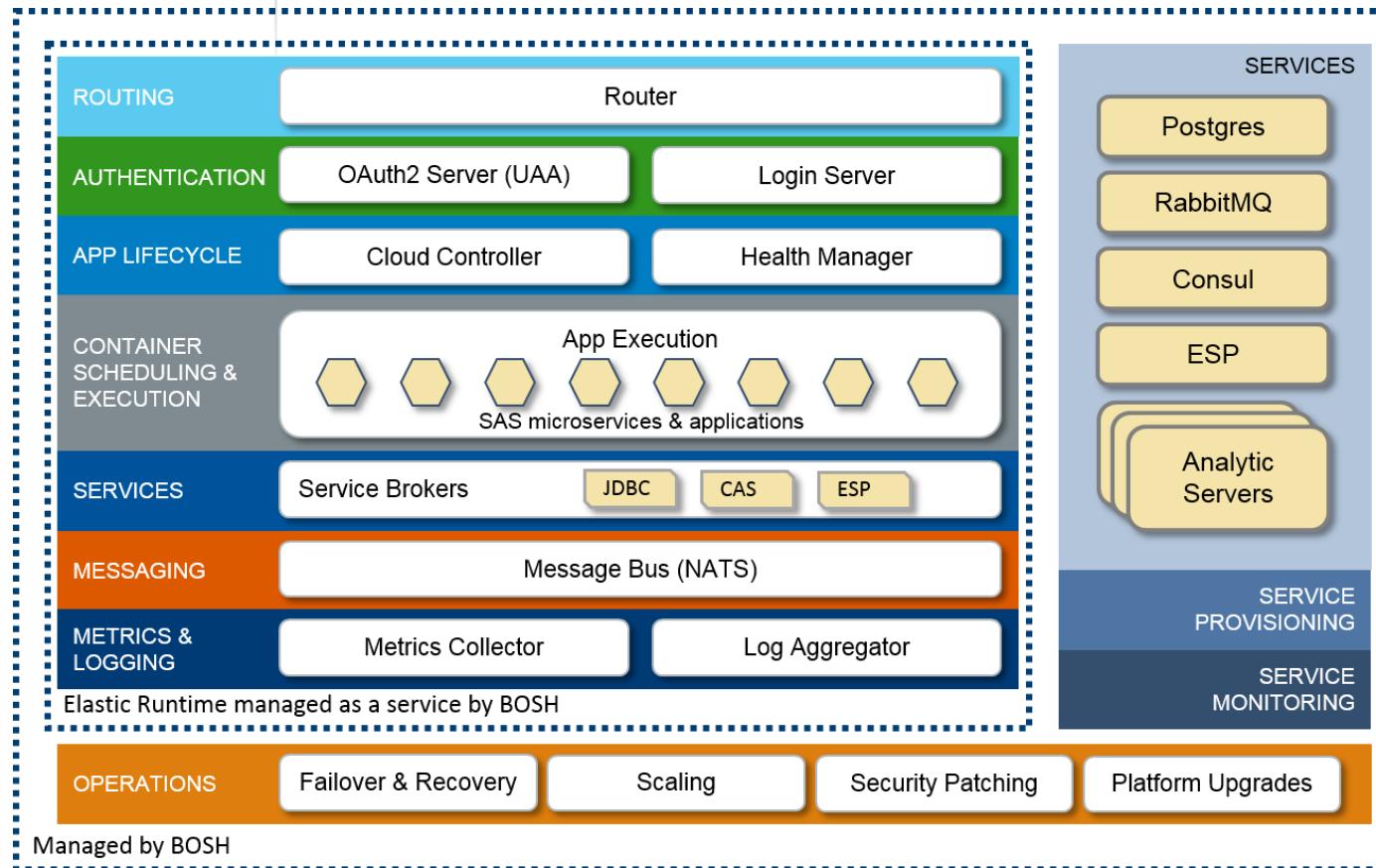
vmware®

# CLOUD FOUNDRY OPEN SOURCE CLOUD COMPUTING PaaS



# CLOUD FOUNDRY

# SAS® NEXT ON CLOUD FOUNDRY





# SUMMARY



- Microservices are the fundamental functional building blocks of the SAS® Viya Architecture, replacing
  - SAS® Metadata Server,
  - Web Infrastructure Platform (WIP),
  - Integrated Object Model (IOM).
- SAS® Viya solutions and applications are themselves written as collections of microservices.
- REST is the new communication standard (http; statelessness ⇒ independence ⇒ elasticity).
- New in-memory engine:
  - replacing and enhancing the in-memory technology of LASR and SAS® High-Performance Analytics,
  - Cloud-ready,
  - Open to non-SAS® clients.
- Support of HTML5 Web clients and mobile clients:
  - no more Java desktop clients (nor Java Web Start).
- Deployment formats:
  - Cloud-ready formats like Docker containers,
  - „bare OS“ (directly on top of an operating system either in a physical or virtual machine).

- Intrinsic support of Cloud properties like
  - Resilience (Ausfallsicherheit),
  - Scalability,
  - Performance,
  - **Elasticity**.
- Largely simplified deployment and maintenance of SAS® environments:
  - **Scripted Deployment**,
  - **Rolling Updates; a running system doesn't have to come down to be updated**.
- Unified user experience in the SAS® world (SAS® Home', HTML5).
- Openness to non-SAS® clients (programming languages, public API).
  
- Big Data Analytics with SAS® for many more use cases!

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