Delivering Microservices



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Overview



Deploying microservices

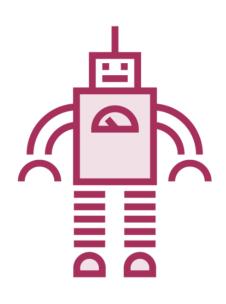
- Automation
- Pipelines
- Deployment environments

Monitoring microservices

- Health checks
- Aggregating logs



Automated Deployment



Manual deployment process

- Follow a step by step guide
- Doesn't work for microservices

Automated deployment

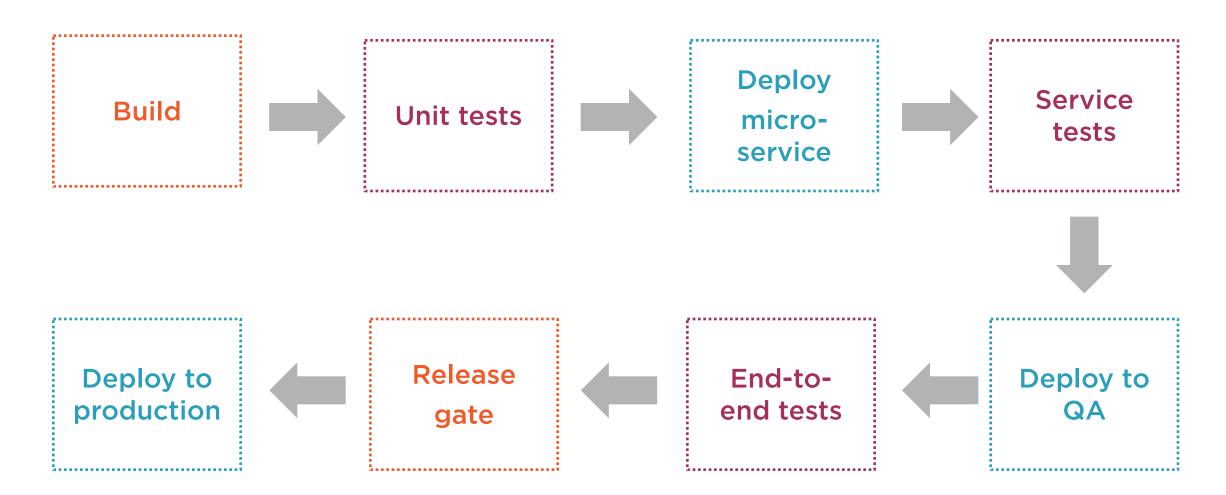
- Reliable and repeatable
- Frequent deployments

Continuous integration

- Build and run tests



Release Pipelines





Deployment Environments

Development

Debug code

QA

End-to-end tests

Manual testing

Pen testing

Performance testing

Production

Per-customer

Per-region



Parameterize your deployments



qa.yaml

Name: QA

Region: West Europe

VMSize: Medium

MinInstances: 2

MaxInstances: 5

Configuration Files

deploy orderingService 1.0.4 qa.yaml

kubectl apply -f myconfig.yaml



Cloud Infrastructure Deployment

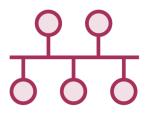
Terraform

Azure ARM templates









Hierarchical configuration

Base template



Environment-specific override



Artifact Registry



Store build artifacts

Deploy latest or previous version

Docker container images

- eshoponcontainers/orderingservice:1.3.1

Deploy to Kubernetes

- YAML manifest files
- Desired state



Learn More About Kubernetes



Do you need to learn core Kubernetes concepts in order to get your application containers running in a cluster? This course provides a developer-focused look at key Kubernetes resources, benefits they can provide, and how to get started using them.



https://app.pluralsight.com/library/courses/kubernetes-developers-core-concepts



Upgrading one microservice should not require all microservices to be upgraded



Upgrade Strategies

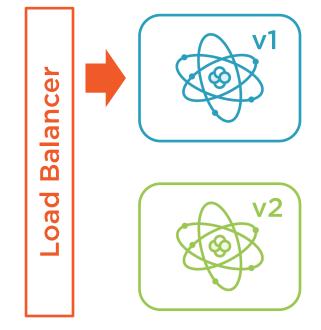
Stop v1, start v2





Short period of unavailability

Blue green swap



Minimal downtime

Rolling upgrade









Monitoring Microservices



Many things to monitor

- Many processes on many hosts

Centralized logs and telemetry

- System health dashboard

What Should We Monitor?

Host Metrics

CPU percentage

Memory usage

Configure alerts

Application Metrics

HTTP requests

Errors (401, 500)

Queue length

Health checks

Logs

Aggregated

Standardize log output

Kibana

Application Insights



Take advantage of the builtin monitoring and observability capabilities of your microservices hosting platform



Demo



Logging and health checks in eShopOnContainers



Summary



Automate your deployments

Create a release pipeline

- Deploy to different environments
- Run automated tests

Upgrade microservices

- Rolling updates
- Blue-green swap



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Observability

- Host and application metrics
- Centralized logs
- Health check endpoints



Final Thoughts



Microservices give you options



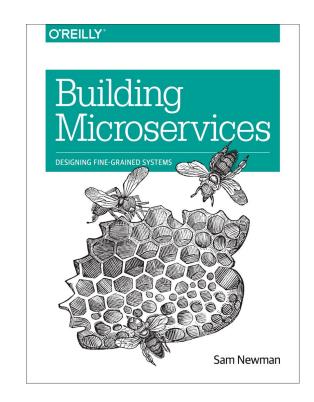
Every context is different



Keep learning!



You won't get it right first time!



Sam Newman "Building Microservices"

