

# Operators to the rescue: Manage your external data and legacy APIs from Kubernetes



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#### Who are we?



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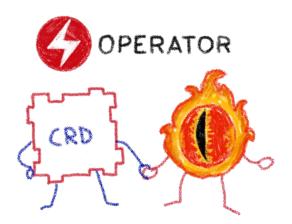
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# **Kubernetes operators**

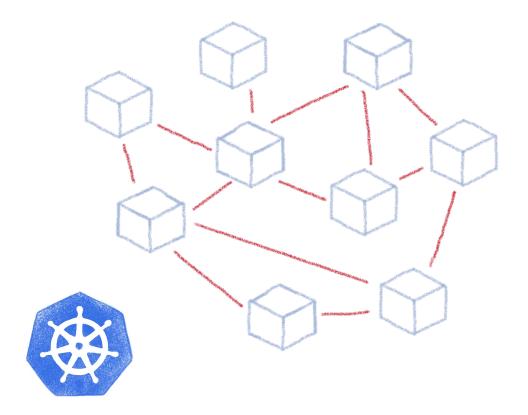
#### Helping to tame the complexity of K8s Ops





## **Taming microservices with Kubernetes**

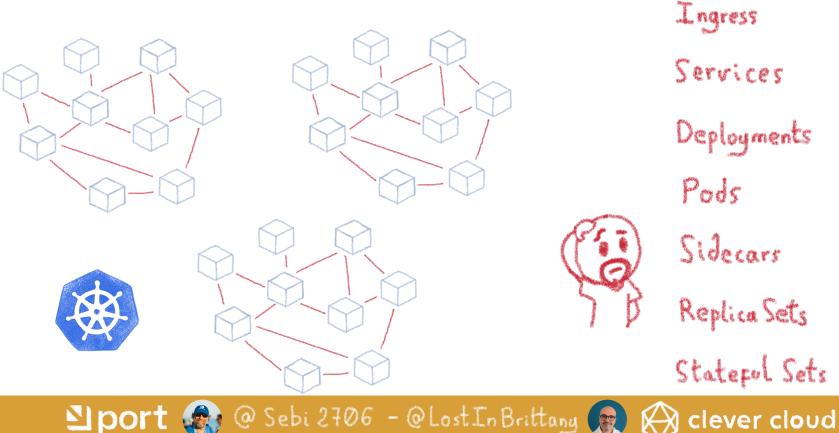






# What about complex deployments



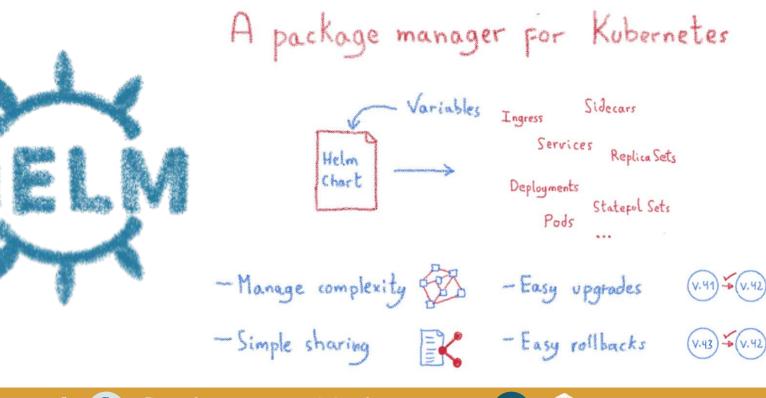


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# Tools like Helm helps with complexity



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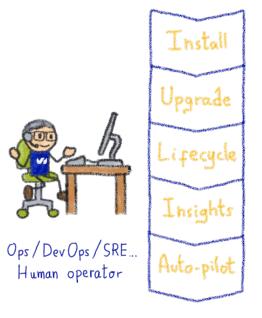


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# Helm Charts are configuration





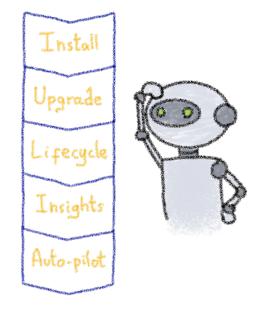


Operating is more than installs & upgrades



# **Kubernetes is about automation**



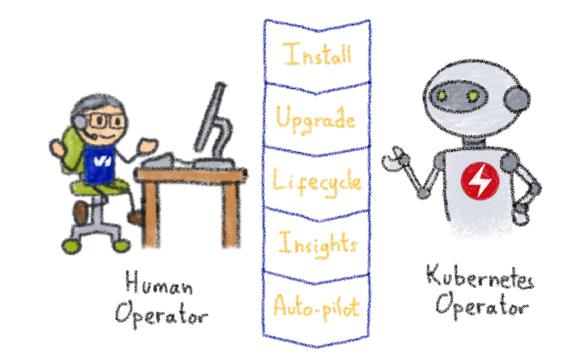


#### How about automating human operators?



## **Kubernetes Operators**



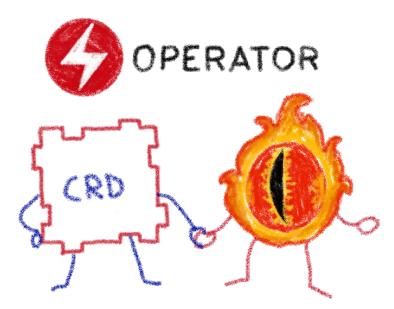


A Kubernetes version of the human operator



## **Building operators**





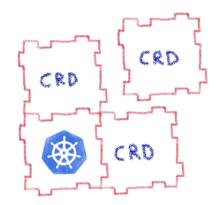
Basic K8s elements: Custom Resources & Controllers





# **Custom Resource Definitions**

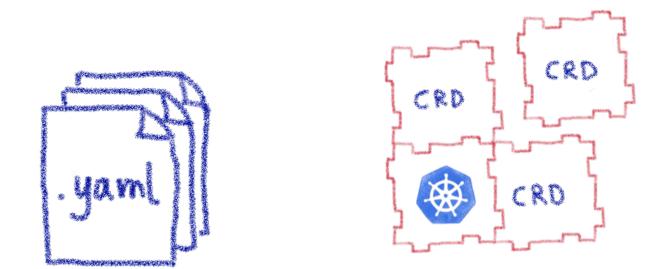
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# **Extending Kubernetes API**





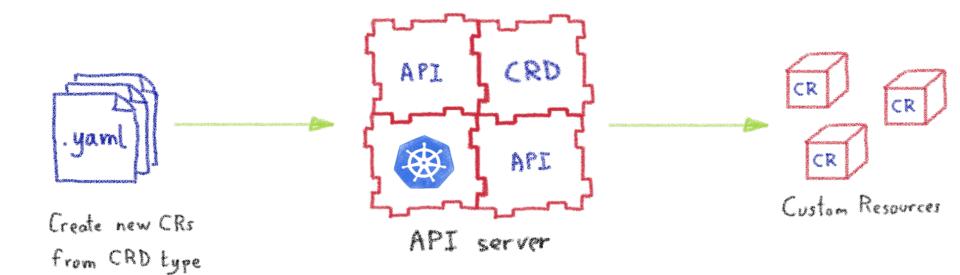
By defining new types of resources, internal or external to the cluster



# With a CRD you can create CR in the cluster



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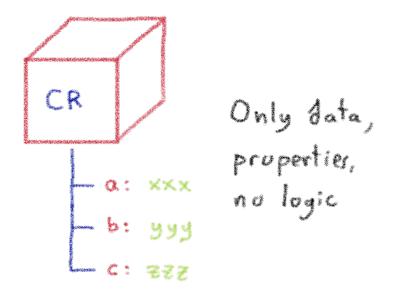


#### They are the blueprints of the Custom Resources

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## **Custom Resources are simply data**





#### All the logic must be in the Controller





# **Kubernetes Controllers**

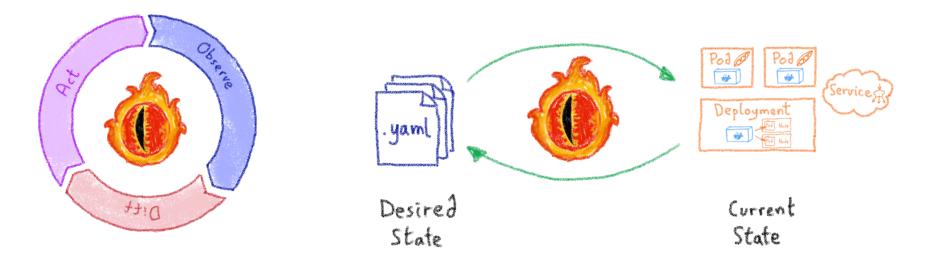
#### Keeping an eye on the resources





# A reconcile loop





Controllers watch the state of the cluster, and make or request changes where needed





# **Kubernetes Operator**

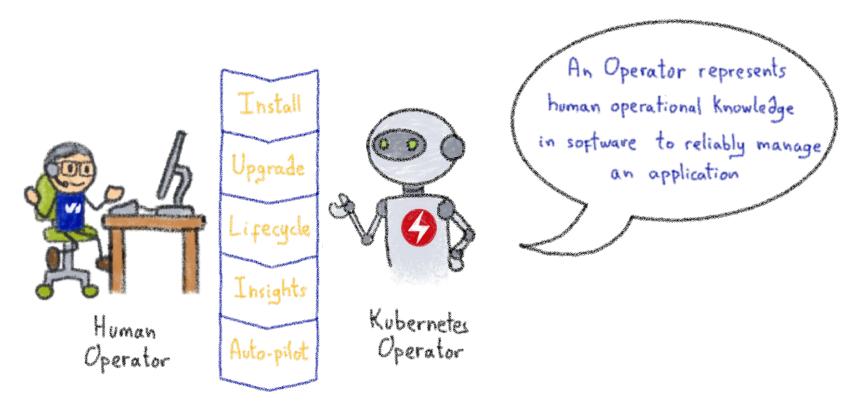
#### **Automating operations**





## What's a Kubernetes Operator?

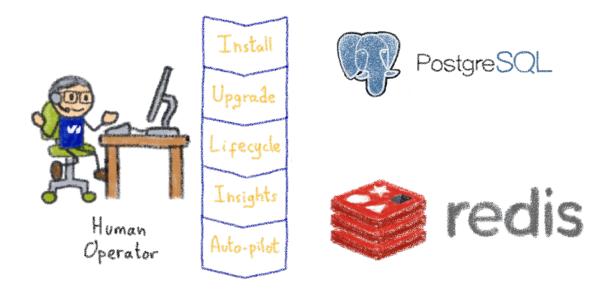




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## **Example: databases**



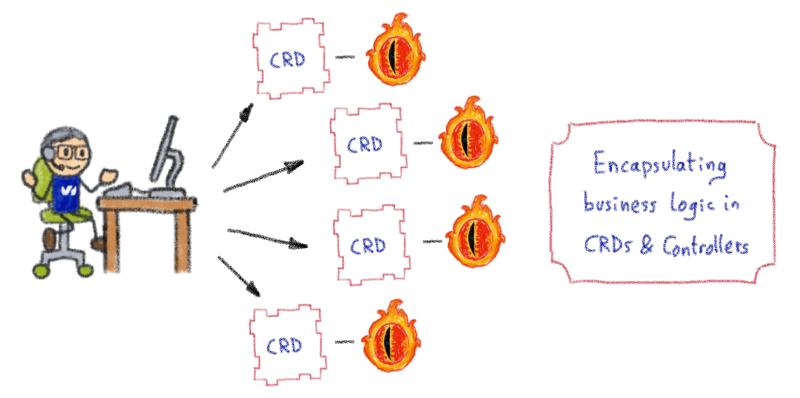


Things like adding an instance to a pool, doing a backup, sharding...



## **Knowledge encoded in CRDs and Controllers**



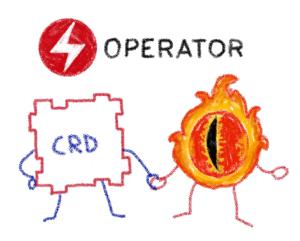


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# **Custom Controllers for Custom Resources**





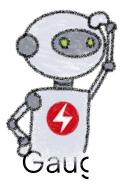
#### Operators implement and manage Custom Resources using custom reconciliation logic



## **Operator Capability Model**







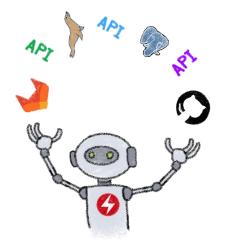
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# **Operators aren't limited to K8s**

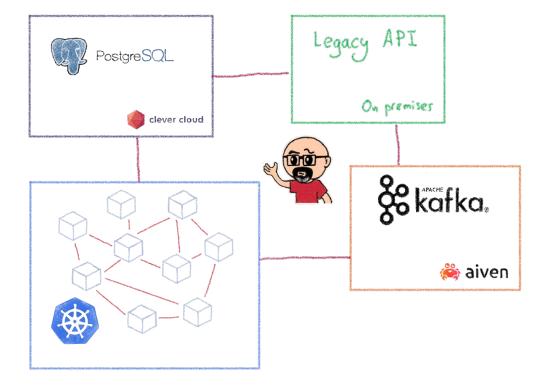
They can be used to pilot external APIs, i.e. non K8s software



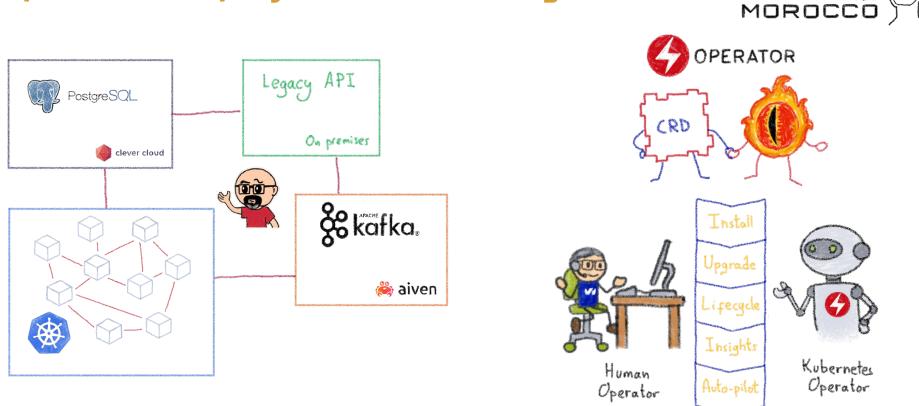


# Don't put everything into Kubernetes





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# A real, open-source example

#### **The Clever Operator**





# **Available on Operator Hub & GitHub**

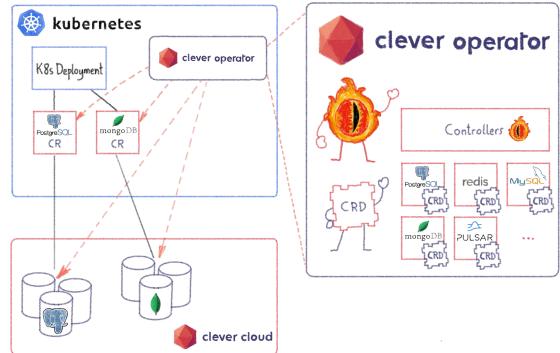


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# **Exposing Clever Cloud resources as CRD**





#### Allowing your apps to use our DBs as if they were in K8s



# Many possible use-cases



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- External Service Health Monitor Operator
- External API Token Rotation Operator
- Database Synchronization Operator
- Legacy System Configuration Management Operator
- File Transfer Operator (FTP/SFTP Automation)
- Cloud Billing/Cost Monitoring Operator
- DNS Management Operator
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# How can we write Operators?

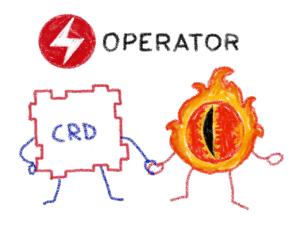
#### Which language? Any framework?

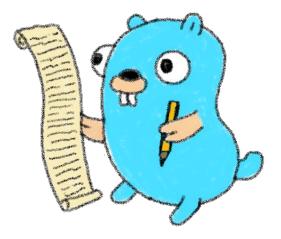




# They are simply pods and manifests





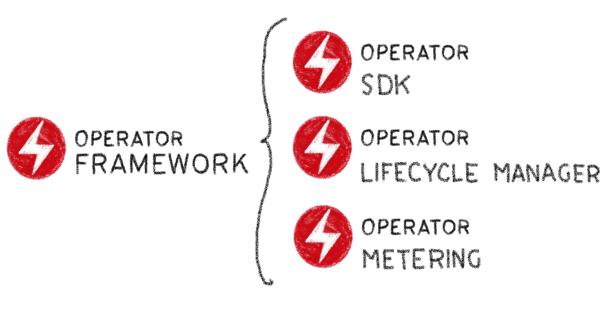


You can simply call Kubernetes APIs or use a compatible client



# **The Operator Framework**





Open source framework to accelerate the development of an Operator



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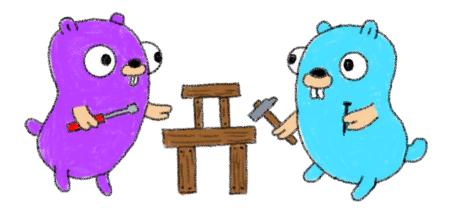






# Let's build an operator together

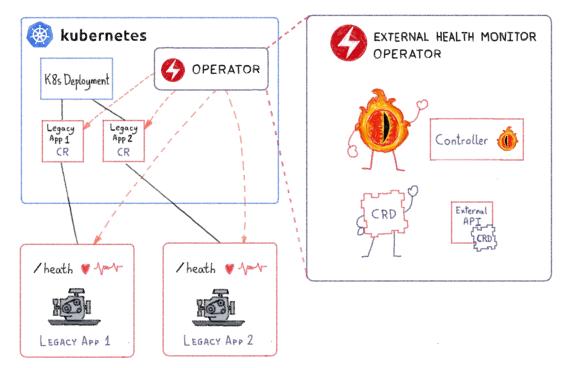
Why? Because we can!





## Let's choose a use-case



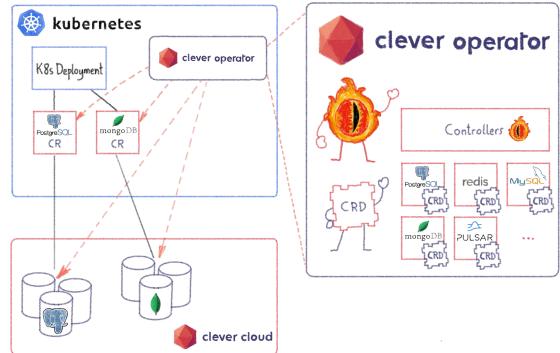


#### External Service Health Monitor Operator



# **Exposing Clever Cloud resources as CRD**





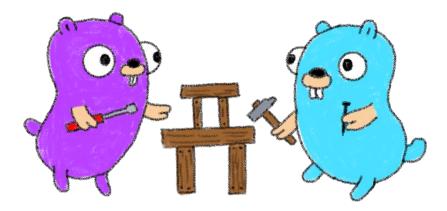
#### Allowing your apps to use our DBs as if they were in K8s





# Let's look at a real operator

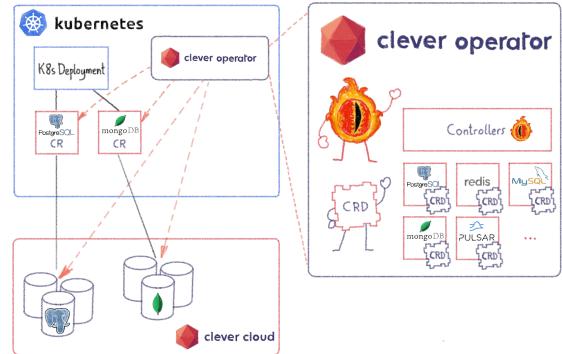
#### **Dealing with external databases**





#### **Clever Cloud operator**





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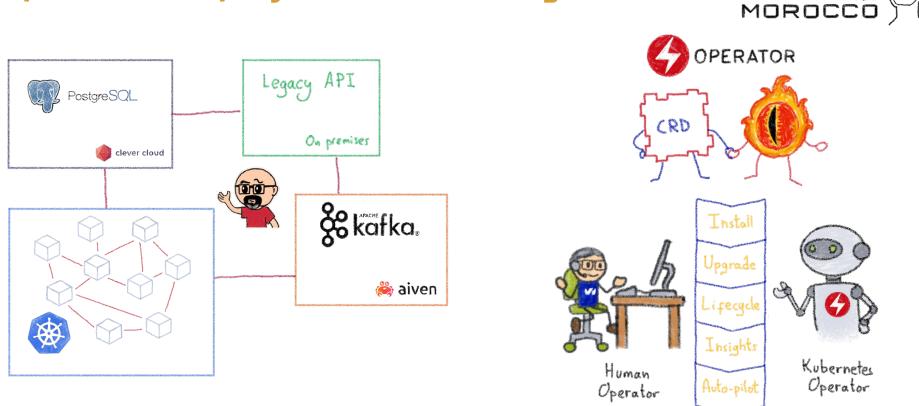




# **Operators can get lots of options**

Should devs need to know all of them?





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### So you have a bunch of operators...

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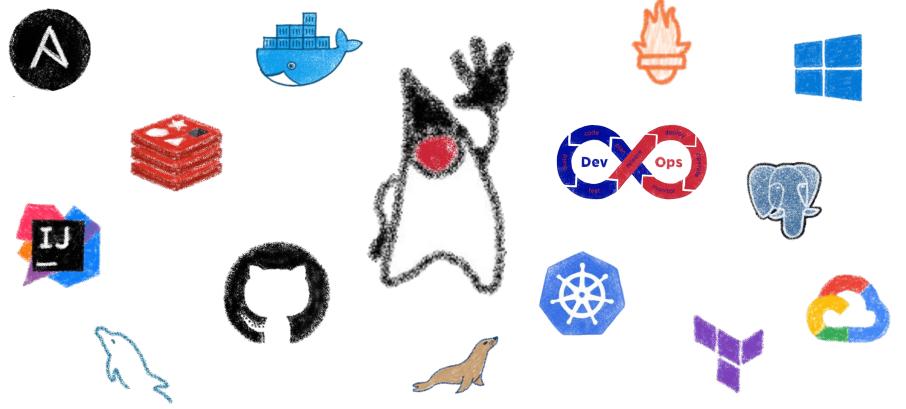


#### Too many options again...



## So many things to learn...





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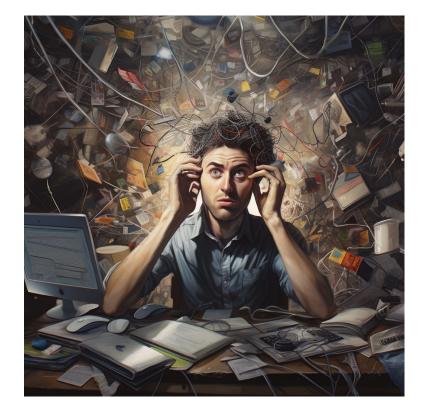






### **Shift left and Cognitive Load**







## How about an operator to operate operators?



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#### One operator to rule them all



# How about a Platform Engineering framework?

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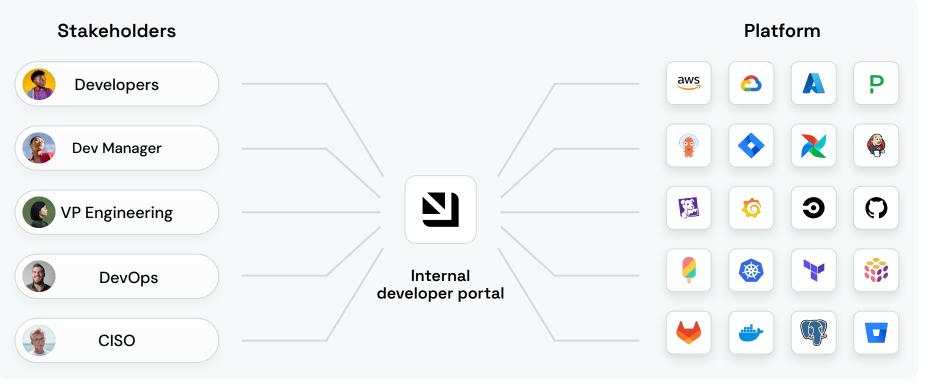
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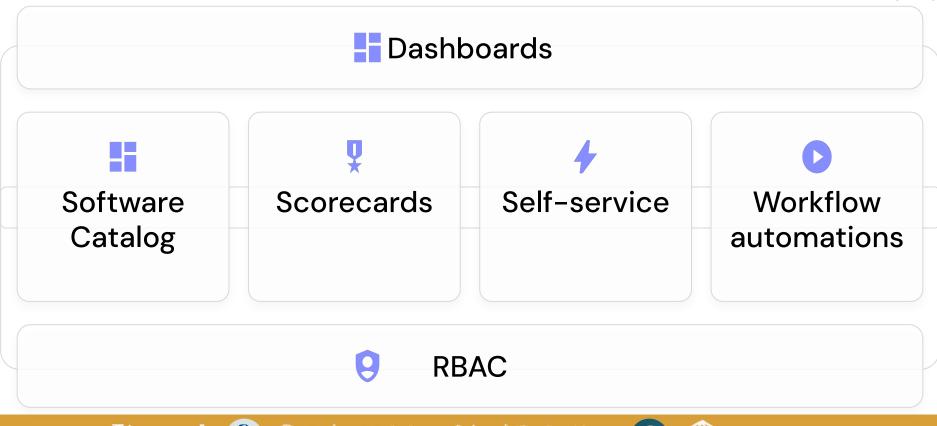
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# How about using an internal developer portal?



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#### Portal's main pillars



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