Des silos au Platform Engineering en passant par le DevOps

Adopter GitOps et aller au-delà de l'hype



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Who are we?



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What are we going to see?

- 1. IT in the 90s
- 2. Tooling evolves
- 3. XP, agility and DevOps
- 4. Enter the Cloud
- 5. Declarative infrastructure
- 6. Operators to the rescue
- 7. GitOps?
- 8. Platform Engineering?
- 9. Build your own platform
- 10. Some examples
- 11. What about not using K8s?



IT in the 90s

Once upon a time...



In a time almost forgotten



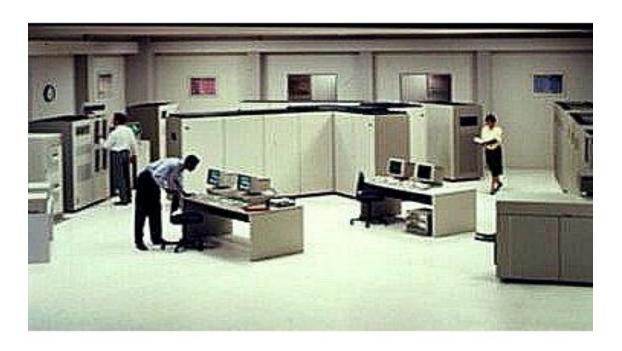
When even internet was young...

When Windows 95 was the cutting edge



And a 100 Mb disk was huge...

Big companies still used mainframes



Bigger, fancier, but still the same old IBM

Bare-metal based IT reigned



Control, reliability, security... But cost, rigidity, logistics...

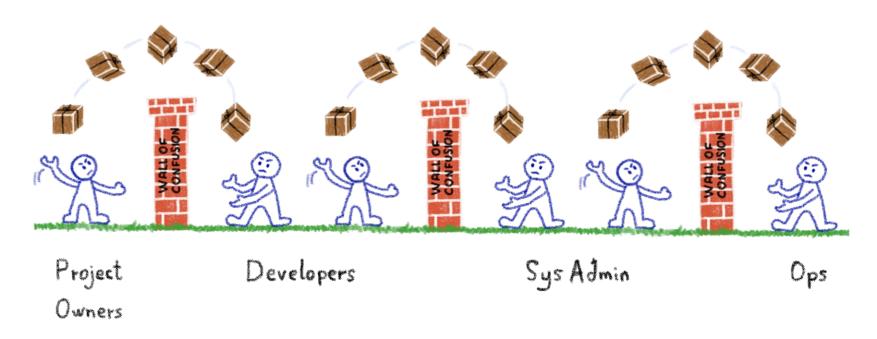
Applying the industrial model





Trying to shoehorn IT into a model where it doesn't fit

Walls & Silos



And procedures, and hierarchy, and corporate politics

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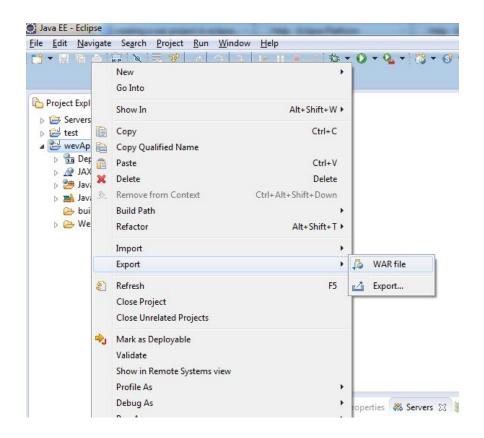
Tooling evolves

CVS, Ant and (Leeeroy) Jenkins



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Old school procedures





Tooling empowering changes



Theory existed since 1999
But without the right tooling...

Source control tools







Better than copying and renaming folders...

Dependency management & build







The agile dependency manager

Better than grabbing each dependency in their website and running javac by hand...

Unit testing and continuous integration









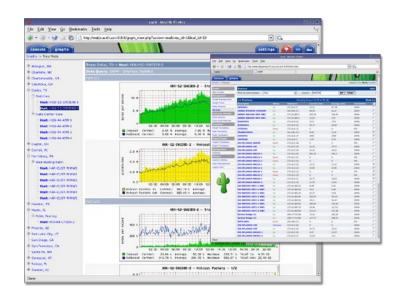
If Testing is Doubting, let's doubt automatically

Monitoring tools



Nagios





No more spending nights looking at a status screen

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Too many changes in a few years



Old ways were difficult to change

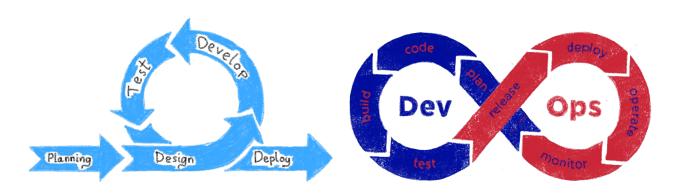


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XP, agility and DevOps

Buzzwords that changed the IT



Extreme Programming



The Values of Extreme Programming

on values. The rules we just examined are the commitment seriously by delivering working natural extension and consequence of software. We demonstrate our software early maximizing our values. XP isn't really a set of and often then listen carefully and make any rules but rather a way to work in harmony changes needed. We will talk about the project with your personal and corporate values. Start and adapt our process to it, not the other way with XP's values listed here then add your around. own by reflecting them in the changes you make to the rules.

Simplicity: We will do what is needed and Everyone contributes value even if it's simply asked for, but no more. This will maximize the enthusiasm. Developers respect the expertise value created for the investment made to date. of the customers and vice versa. Management We will take small simple steps to our goal respects our right to accept responsibility and and mitigate failures as they happen. We will receive authority over our own work. create something we are proud of and maintain it long term for reasonable costs.

requirements to code. We will create the best they happen. solution to our problem that we can together.

Extreme Programming (XP) is based Feedback: We will take every iteration

Respect: Everyone gives and feels the respect they deserve as a valued team member.

Courage: We will tell the truth about progress and estimates. We don't document excuses for Communication: Everyone is part of the failure because we plan to succeed. We don't team and we communicate face to face daily, fear anything because no one ever works We will work together on everything from alone. We will adapt to changes when ever

> What lessons have we learned about implementing XP so far. : 3

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Manifesto for Agile Software Development

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We are uncovering better ways of developing software by doing it and helping others do it. Through this work we have come to value:

Individuals and interactions over processes and tools
Working software over comprehensive documentation
Customer collaboration over contract negotiation
Responding to change over following a plan

That is, while there is value in the items on the right, we value the items on the left more.



Breaching walks, breaking down silos





The business of Agility

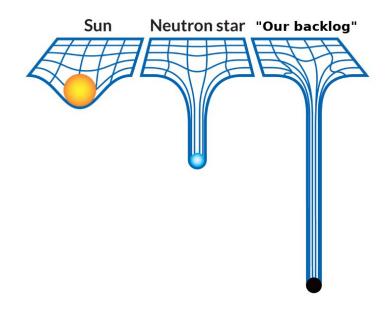






The Dark Side rises

Agile Tooling

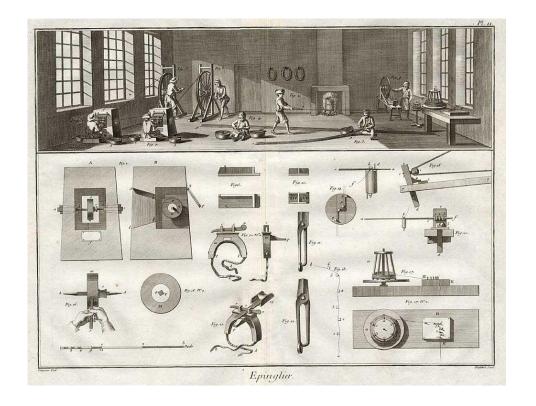




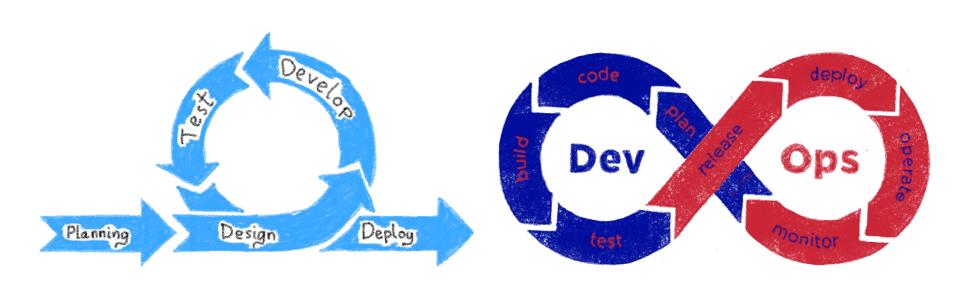
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Back to industrial practices?



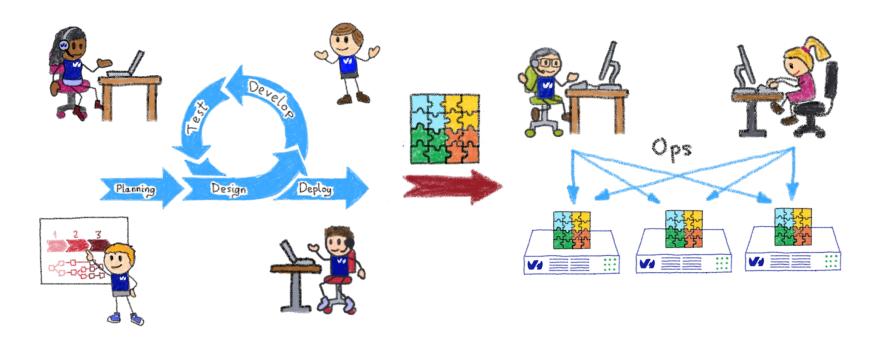


Is DevOps the same than Agility?



Can you have one without the other?

You could have Agility without DevOps



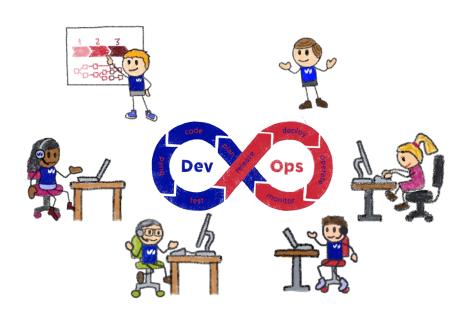
Even if I fail to see why you would want...

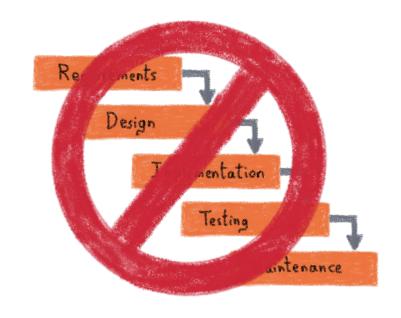
DevOps is a reaction to the wall of confusion



Making the different stakeholders to work together in sync

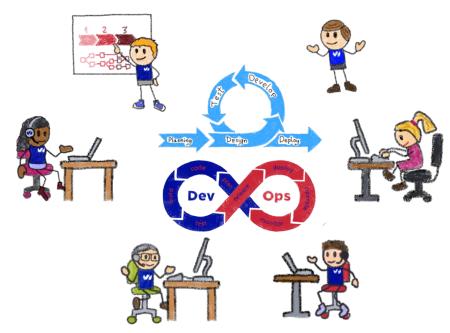
You cannot have DevOps without agility





DevOps is about shorter development sprints, increased focus on testing, increasing automation

DevOps comes with Agility



DevOps is an extension of Agile that includes systems and operations

Enter the Cloud

Renting server time in other's people infra

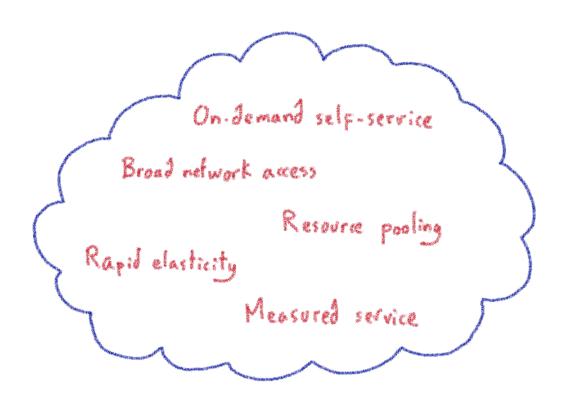


From virtualisation to the cloud

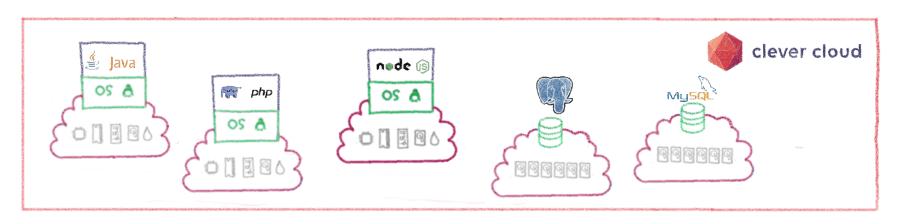


How to use the infrastructure at its full capacity

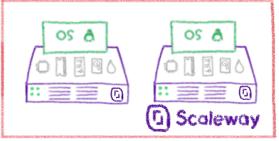
The five pillars of the Cloud

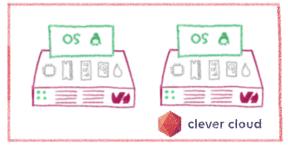


Cloud demands automation



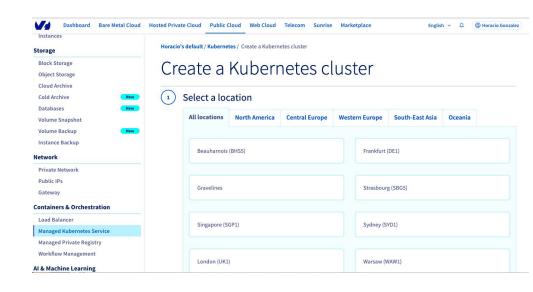






It changes the way how IT works





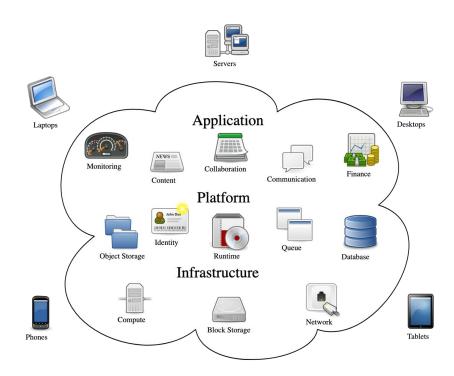
And it demands a mentality change

Empowering developers



Infrastructure is only a click away

Distributed is the new black



Cloud Native architectures and services

Sysadmins who code



Creating tools: automation, monitoring, observability...

New roles appear: SRE





WTF is a System Reliability Engineer?

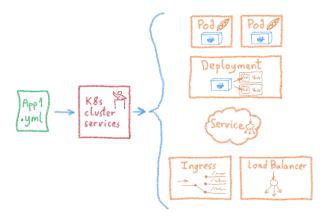


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Declarative Infrastructure

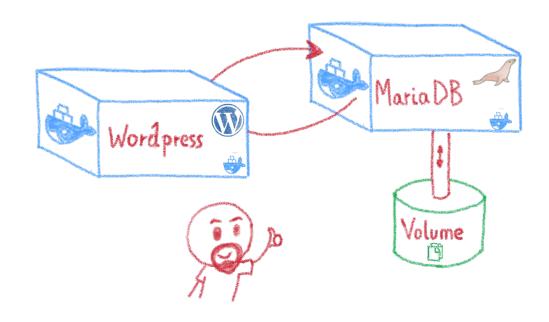
The intern metaphor



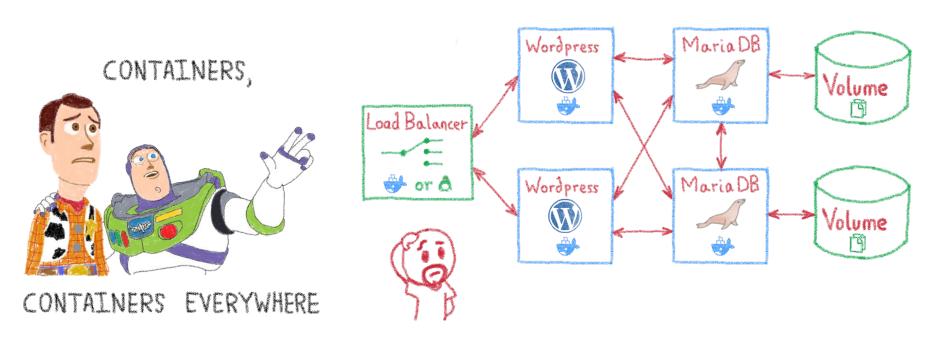
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Containers make dev life easier



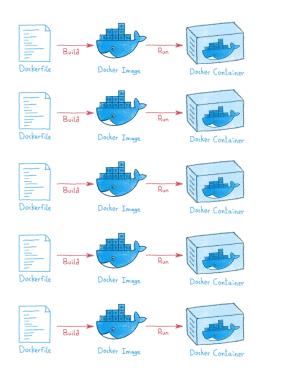


Less simple if you must operate them



Like in a production context

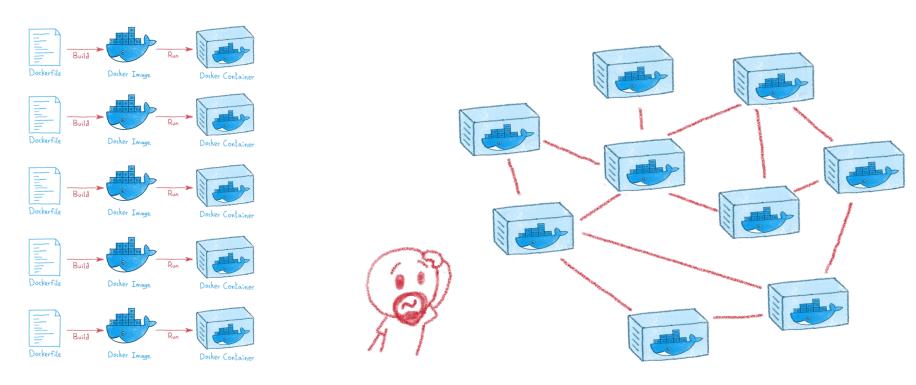
And what about microservices?





Are you sure you want to operate them by hand?

And what about microservices?

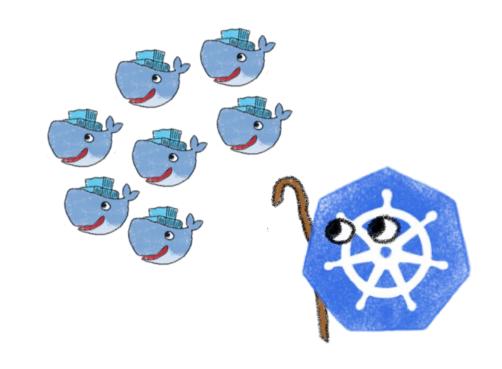


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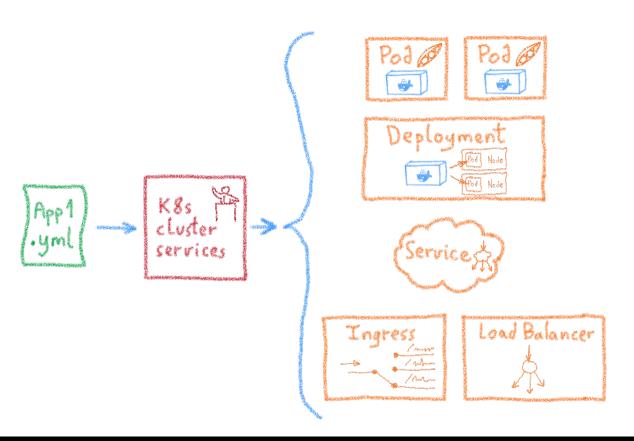
Kubernetes: a full orchestrator

Takes care of:

- Deployment
- Scaling
- Monitoring
- Repairing
- Securing
- . . .



Kubernetes - Desired State Management



Ingress

Services

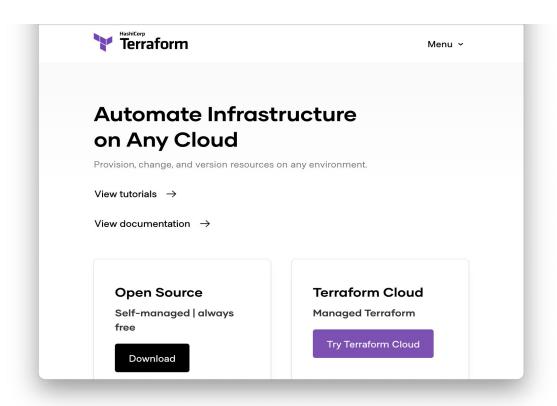
Deployments

Pods

Sidecars

Replica Sets

Terraform - Declarative infra as code



Terraform

· Build K



· Modify K

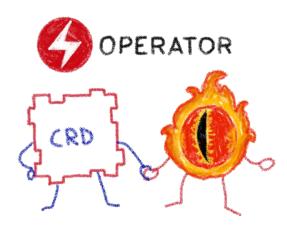




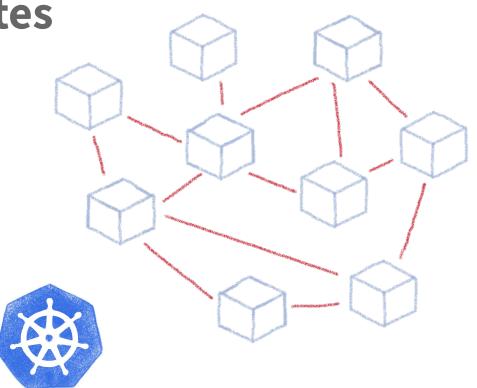
your infrastucture

Operators to the rescue

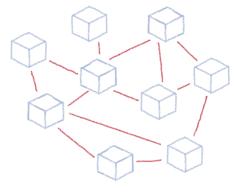
Helping to tame the complexity of K8s and using K8s in heterogeneous systems

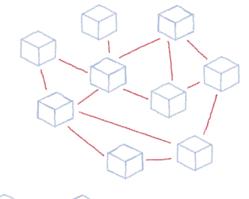


Taming microservices with Kubernetes

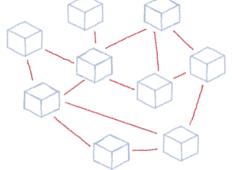


What about complex deployments











Services

Deployments

Pods



Replica Sets

Stateful Sets

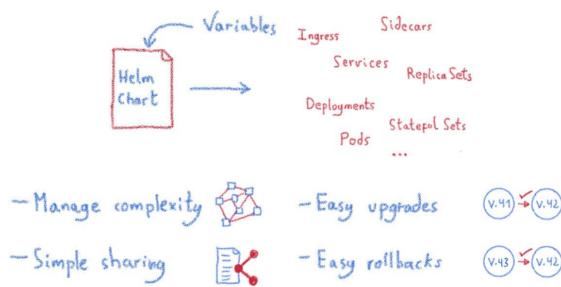


Tools like Helm helps with

complexity

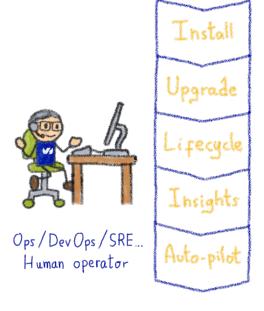


A package manager for Kubernetes



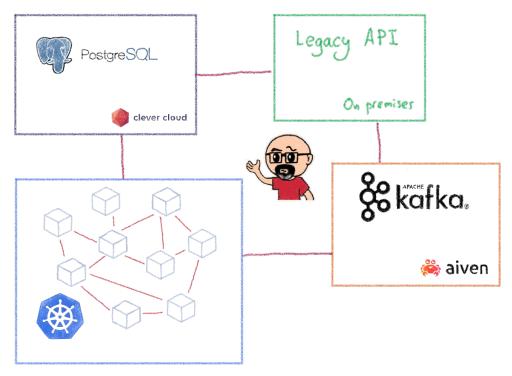
Helm Charts are configuration





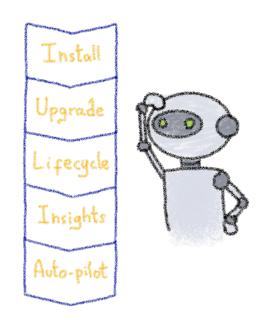
Operating is more than installs & upgrades

What about legacy?



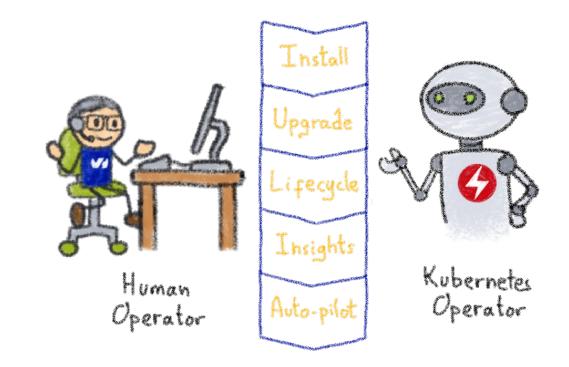
Because not everything needs/wants to be in Kubernetes

Kubernetes is about automation



How about automating human operators?

Kubernetes Operators



A Kubernetes version of the human operator

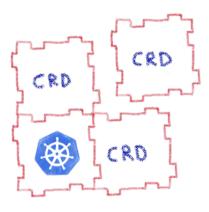
Building operators



Basic K8s elements: Custom Resources & Controllers

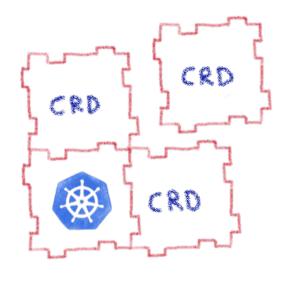
Custom Resource Definitions

Extending Kubernetes API



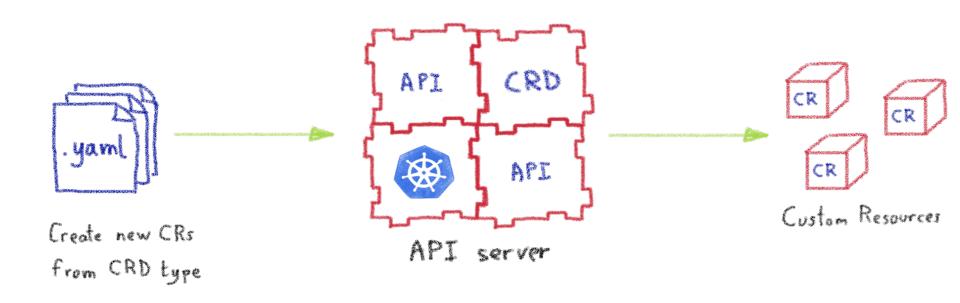
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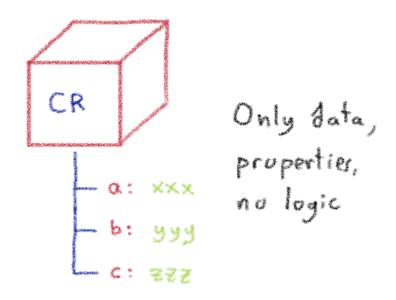
By defining new types of resources, internal or external to the cluster

With a CRD you can create CR in the cluster



They are the blueprints of the Custom Resources

Custom Resources are simply data



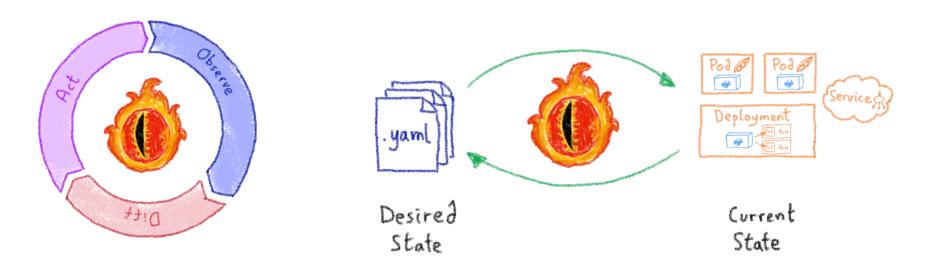
All the logic must be in the Controller

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

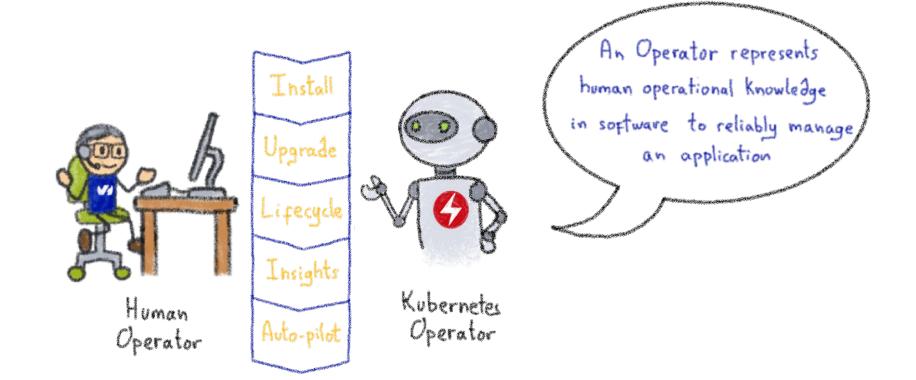
Kubernetes Operator

Automating operations

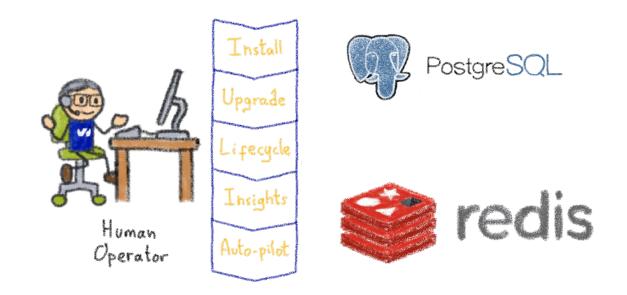


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What's a Kubernetes Operator?

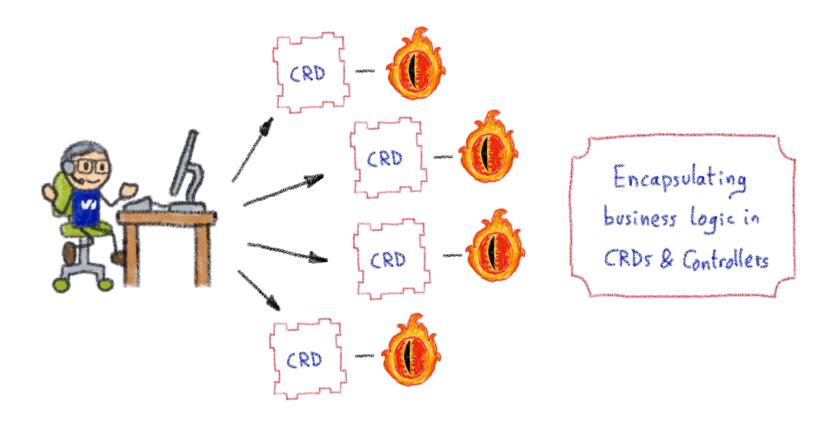


Example: databases



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

Knowledge encoded in CRDs and Controllers



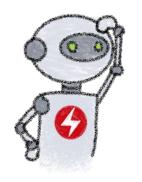
Custom Controllers for Custom Resources

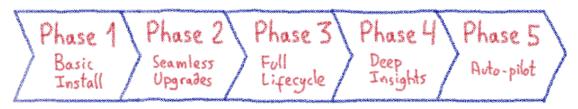


Operators implement and manage Custom Resources using custom reconciliation logic

Operator Capability Model







Gauging the operator maturity

GitOps

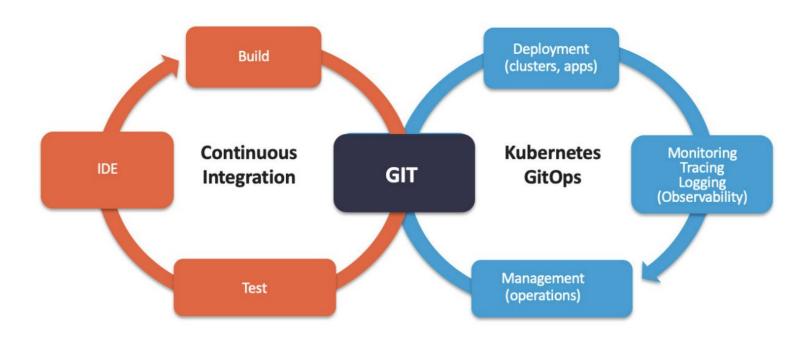




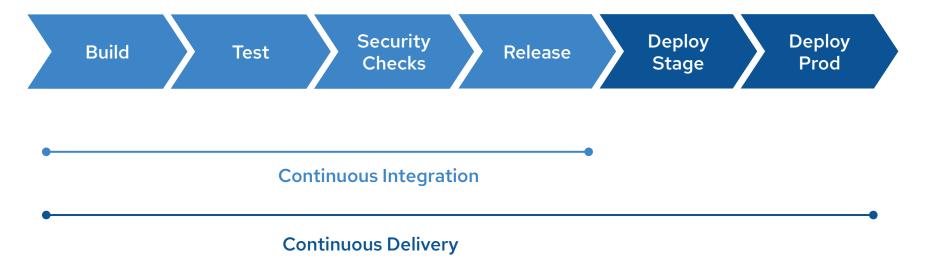
Les devs n'ont pas vocation à avoir accès au cluster Comment faire ?

Les devs utilisent déjà Git, et c'est leur source de vérité. Utilisons Git comme source de vérité pour l'infra déclarative

A central source of truth



Continuous Integration(CI) & Continuous Delivery (CD)



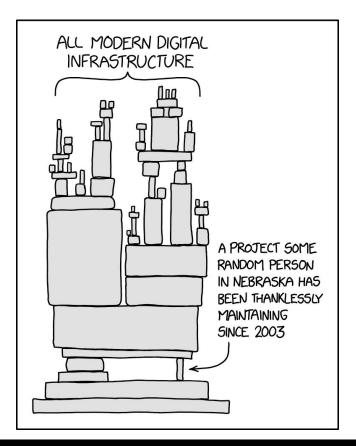
What is GitOps?



Platform

What is it? Why is it useful? Why do we need Platform Engineers?

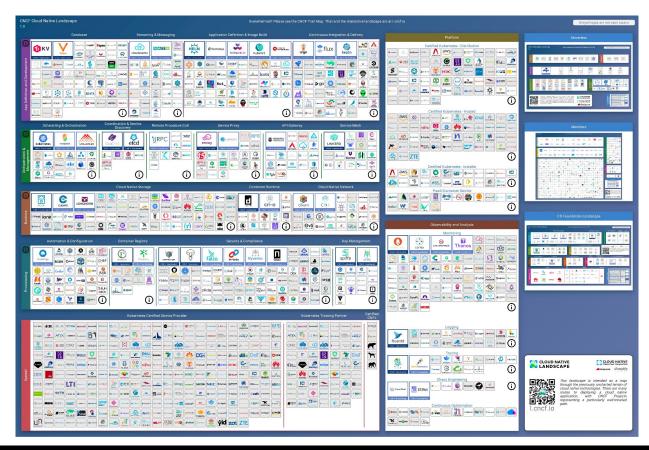
A fancy name for something already there



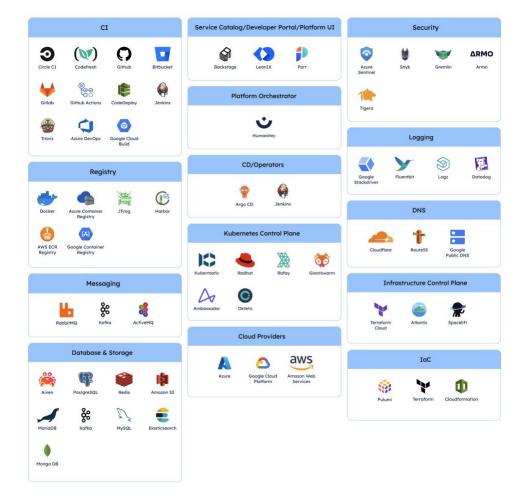
Most companies already have some kind of platform

Often homemade...

So many options ...

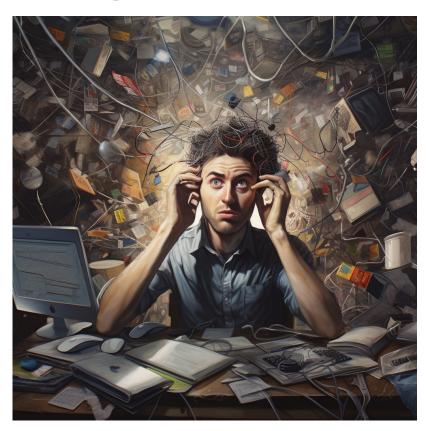


So many options ...



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Shift left and Cognitive Load



Managing the self-service commodity





"The discipline of designing and building toolchains and workflows that enable self-service capabilities for software engineering organizations in the cloud-native era. Platform engineers provide an integrated product most often referred to as an "Internal Developer Platform" covering the operational necessities of the entire lifecycle of an application."

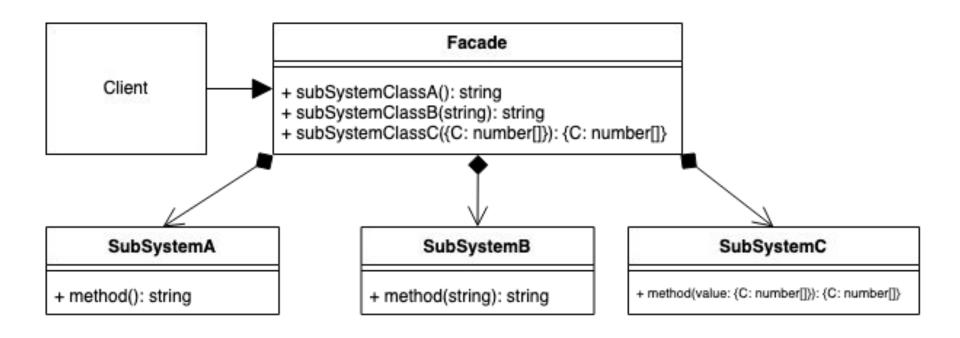
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IDP is the new Facade Pattern



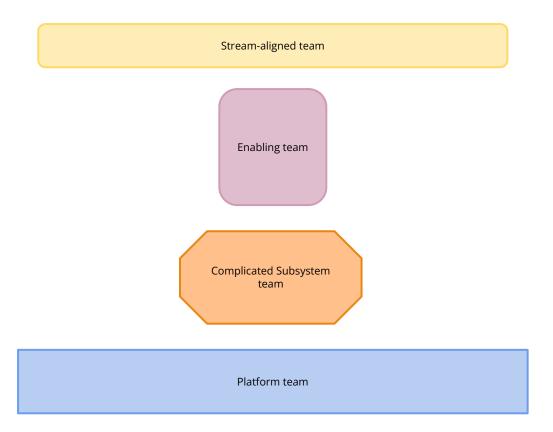
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Team Topologies

"Organizations that consider establishing such a platform team should be very cautious not to accidentally create a separate DevOps team, nor should they simply relabel their existing hosting and operations structure as a platform."

TechRadar, October 2021

Team Topologies



Platform as a Product

The Internal Dev Platform is the **Product**

- Conduct user research
 - Run friction logs
 - Empathy meetings
- Create a roadmap
- ...



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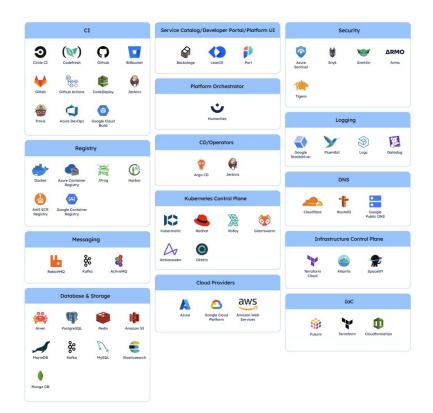
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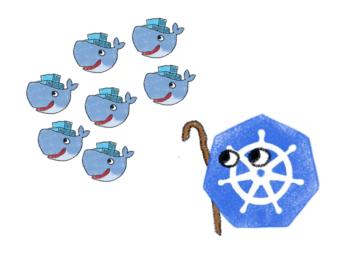
Build your own Platform

And becoming Platform Engineer

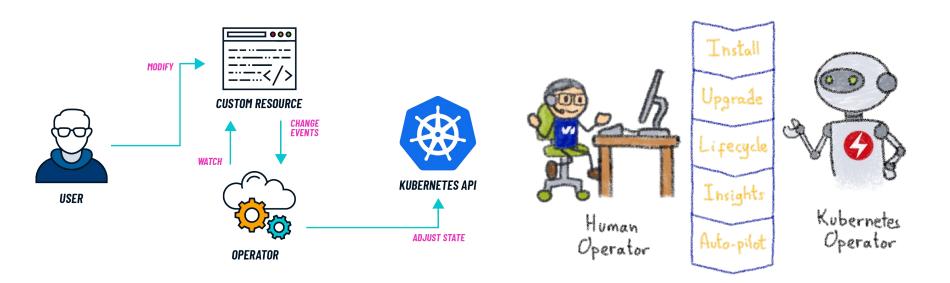


How to glue those all together?





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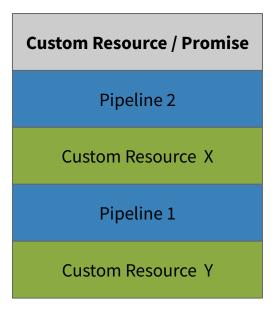
How to assemble all those building bricks?



Platform Building Frameworks



"A framework for building platforms"



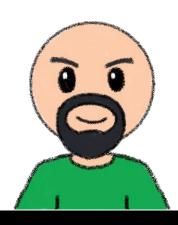


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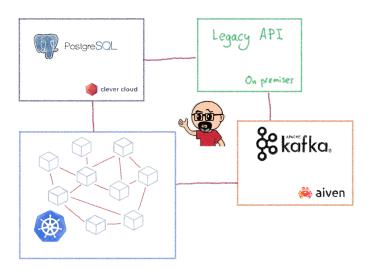
Example: How to build an operator

Because they are easier than you think...



Example: Using several operators

They are made to work together



Example: Building a K8s-based Platform

If you're already a Kubernetes user



Example: Using a PaaS provider

There is a world outside Kubernetes

