# Clusters as Cattle

Extending Kubernetes for Multi-Cluster and Multi-Cloud Workloads

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#### Cloud Computing

- Predominate
- On demand
- Business oriented
- World-class managed services
- Global scale
- Pay-Per-Use





#### Cloud Providers

- Competitive
- Open-Source adopters
- Closed-Source offering







Google Cloud Platform



## Managed Services

- Dependencies
- Worry free (almost)
- Hands off (almost)
- You get an SLA
- For which you Pay



# Managed Services Overlap

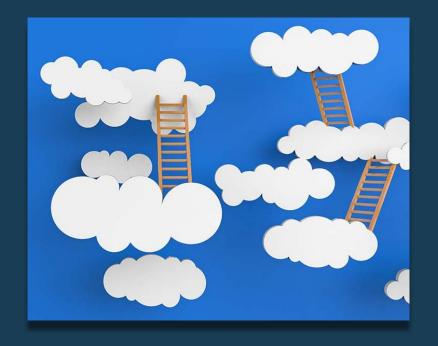
- Same services
- Different:
  - Provisioning
  - Configuration
  - Scale





## Multicloud

- Is reality
- Needs:
  - Control Plane

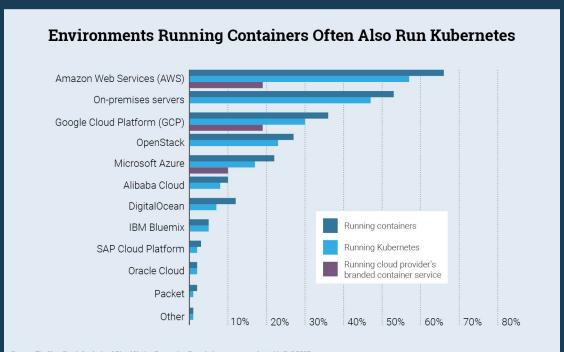


#### Kubernetes

- What is it
  - container platform
  - o a microservices platform
  - o a portable cloud platform and a lot more.
- Borne at Google
  - Borg / Omega
- Open Source
- Growing community
  - Microsoft, RedHat, IBM, Docker
- Managed by CNCF



#### Kubernetes



Source: The New Stack Analysis of Cloud Native Computing Foundation survey conducted in Fall 2017.

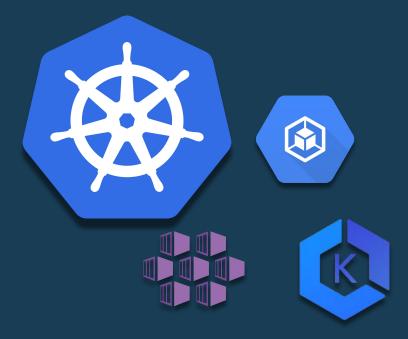


Q. Your company/organization deploys containers to which of the following environments? (check all that apply). n=527

Q. Your company/organization runs Kubernetes to which of the following environments? (check all that apply). n=527.

# Managed Kubernetes

- Many Choices
- Easy to Provision
- Not Consistent



#### Kubernetes API

- Declarative Style
- Level-based
- State separation: Desired (Spec) vs. Observed (Status)
- Complete
- Authoritative
- Extensible

# Extending Kubernetes

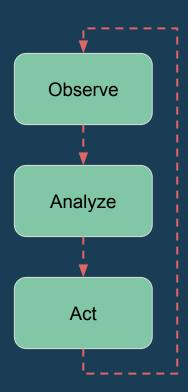
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- Custom Resource Definitions
- Operators
  - Deploy + Package
- Frameworks
  - controller-runtime
  - client-go

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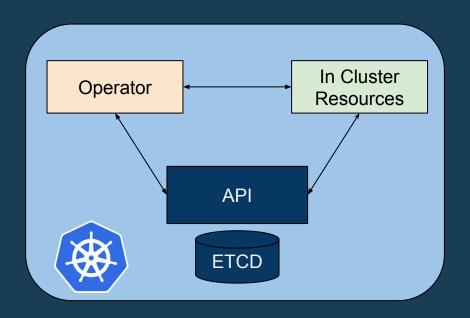
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#### Controller

- Retrieve
- Process
  - Actual State -> Desired State
  - o CRUD
- Update Status



#### In Cluster Resources



# Stateful Applications















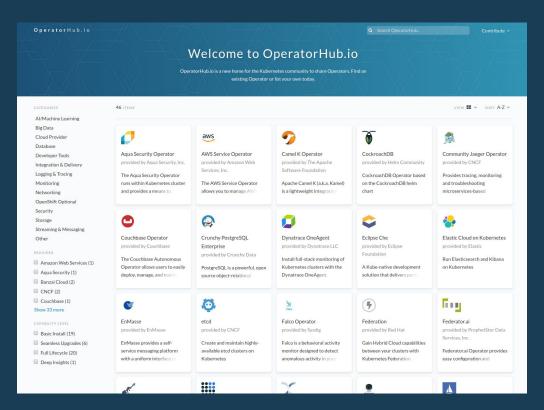








# Operator Resources



#### Kubernetes Platform Services

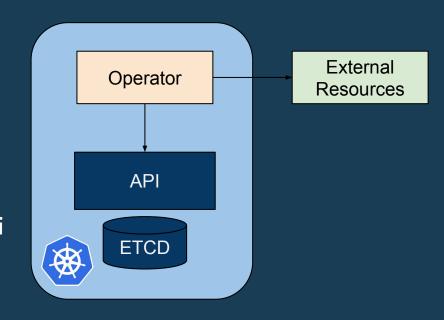
- Do not use managed services?
- Pure Play → Portability
- Problems:
  - Maturity
  - Support and SLA
  - Unified Console
  - Domain knowledge





#### External Resources

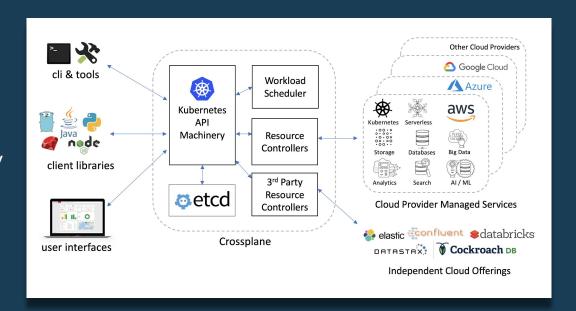
- Internal Resources:
  - Kubernetes API + client-go
- External API Resources:
  - AWS API + aws-sdk-go
  - Azure API + azure-sdk-for-go
  - GCP API + google.golang.org/api
- Other External Resources





#### Crossplane

- Declarative API
- Portable Resource
   Abstractions
- Based on and inspired by Kubernetes
- Separation of Concerns
- Increased reusability





## Managed Resources as CRD's

- Cloud Provider
  - AWS, Azure, GCP (initially)
- Managed Resource
  - Relational Databases
  - Redis Memory Cache
  - EKS, AKS, GKE
  - Buckets
- Resource Classes
- Resource Claims (or Abstract Resources)
  - MySQLInstance, KubernetesCluster



#### Cloud Provider as a Resource

- Secret to store creds
- Provider with secret references
- Controllervalidation

```
# AWS Admin account credentials
apiVersion: v1
kind: Secret
metadata:
 name: demo-aws-creds
 namespace: crossplane-system
type: Opaque
data:
  credentials: W2RlZVERYlongBase64encodedVaLue
# AWS Provider with secret reference
apiVersion: aws.crossplane.io/vlalphal
kind: Provider
metadata:
 name: demo-aws
  namespace: crossplane-system
spec:
 credentialsSecretRef:
    key: credentials
    name: demo-aws-creds
  region: us-east-1
```



## Managed Service as a Resource

- Specific Resource
- Strongly Typed
- Provider Reference
- Controller
  - Provision
  - Connection Secret
  - Track Status

```
apiVersion: database.azure.crossplane.io/vlalpha1
kind: MysqlServer
metadata:
  labels:
  name: crossplane-wordpress-mysql
spec:
  providerRef:
    name: azure-sql-provider
  connectionSecretRef:
    name: demo-database-connection
  resourceGroupName: group-westus-1
  location: West US
  pricingTier:
    tier: Basic
    vcores: 1
    family: Gen4
  storageProfile:
    storageGB: 25
    backupRetentionDays: 7
    geoRedundantBackup: false
  adminLoginName: myadmin
  version: "5.7"
  sslEnforced: false
```



# Separation of concerns

Application Owner ns: default

- Resource Claims
- Workloads



# Administrator ns: crossplane-system

- Resource Classes
- Providers
- Concrete Resources





#### Resource Classes

- Provisioner
- Provider Reference
- Properties
- Reclaim Policy

```
apiVersion: core.crossplane.io/vlalphal
kind: ResourceClass
metadata:
 name: standard-azure-mysql
  namespace: crossplane-system
parameters:
  adminLoginName: myadmin
  resourceGroupName: group-westus-1
  location: Central US
  sslEnforced: "false"
  tier: Basic
  vcores: "2"
  family: Gen5
  storageGB: "25"
  backupRetentionDays: "7"
  geoRedundantBackup: "false"
provisioner: mysqlserver.database.azure.crossplane.io/v1alpha1
providerRef:
  name: demo-azure
reclaimPolicy: Delete
```



# Resource Claim - MySQLInstance

- Class Reference
- AdditionalSpecifications
- Controller
  - Provision
  - Secret
  - Status

```
## WordPress MySQL Database Instance
apiVersion: storage.crossplane.io/vlalpha1
kind: MySQLInstance
metadata:
   name: demo-cloud-mysql
   namespace: default
spec:
   classReference:
   name: standard-cloud-mysql
   namespace: crossplane-system
   engineVersion: "5.7"
```



```
apiVersion: storage.crossplane.io/v1alpha1
kind MySQLInstance
 name mysql-instance
apiVersion extensions/v1beta1
kind Deployment
 name wordpress
    type Recreate
       app wordpress
      name wordpress
       image wordpress:4.6.1-apache
         name wordpress
      name: mysql-instance-creds
         secretName: mysql-instance
```

# Application Portability

#### Workload

- Required Resources
  - Secrets
- Destination Cluster
  - Automatic Scheduling (Dynamic)
  - Designated (Assigned)
- Payload
  - Deployment
  - Service





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- Open control plane for open cloud
- More choices
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# Thank you

Q&A

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