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# 34 Truths About Kubernetes and Edge

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# Outline



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Outline: (35 mins)

(2 min) Speaker Intros

(3 min) Introduction to kubernetes and Edge computing (Karthik)

(5 mins) Problems faced with Edge devices involving kubernetes (Karthik-transition to Saiyam)

(5 mins) Kubernetes solutions for the Edge (k3s/kube edge) (Saiyam)

(10 mins): Running kubernetes on Raspberry Pi's using k3s (Saiyam)

(3 mins) Challenges using k3s on edge devices (Karthik)

(2 mins) Speaker Recommendations for kubernetes on edge (Joint)

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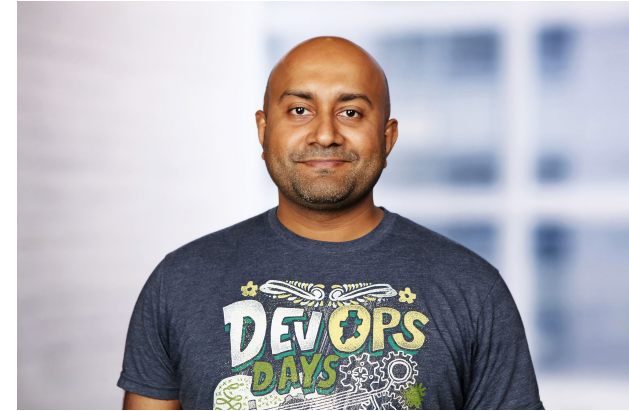
CKA/CKAD, GO Discussion

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# Karthik



- Head of Cloud Native Engineering at Verica.
- Authored Learning Kubernetes and a many other cloudnative courses on LinkedIn learning.
- Built Oracle Managed Kubernetes Engine and Principal Developer Advocate for Oracle Cloud.
- Organizes: Devopsdays Austin, Cloud Austin, All Day Devops, Container Days.
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# Today's Agenda



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- Introductions to Edge Computing & Kubernetes
- Discuss Complexities at Edge
- Cloud Native @ Edge
- Demo (K3s and Raspberry Pi)
- Complexities at Edge
- Recommendations

A distributed computing paradigm that brings computation and data storage closer to the location where it is needed, to improve response times and save bandwidth.

-Wikipedia

# Tremendous Growth



“By 2023, there could be more than 20 times as many smart devices at the edge of the network as in conventional IT roles.”

-- Gartner

“The edge cloud service market will grow by at least 50%.”

-- Forrester



But what does all this mean?



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## Turbine Control:

- Generator Speed
- Blade Angle Adjustment
- Wind Turbine Rotation

# Use Case: Wind Turbines



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## Wind Farm Control Center

- Collect Average Turbine(s) Speed
- Health Status of Turbine(s)
- Monitor Performance of Turbines
- Monitor Efficiency of Farm
- Generated Electricity (Per Hour/Day)



*Iberdrola Renewables Control Room*

# Typical Architecture



## Cloud Level:

Responsible for overall operations, big data processing, data aggregation across farms



## Farm Level (Edge):

Responsible for individual farm, turbines in the farm, connected to the internet, and turbines (via ethernet)



## Sensor Level (Turbines):

Responsible for electricity generation in a safe manner, efficient operations, data collection at an individual turbine level

# Typical Edge Issues



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At the device level:

- Battery
- Lack of processing power
- Code deployments need to be tiny
- Embedded devices concerns

At the edge level:

- Connectivity
- Communicate with the cloud
- Have enough processing to be able to run complex calculations
- Maintenance of your sensors/farm

# Where does Kubernetes fit?



- Lots of vendor specific lockin for iot/edge
  - Custom Solution Providers, Vendors
- Kubernetes based on opensource ecosystem
- Built for managing many devices
- scaling/deployment etc

# Popular Kubernetes distros for Edge



2 most popular solutions for this:



KubeEdge



**K3S**





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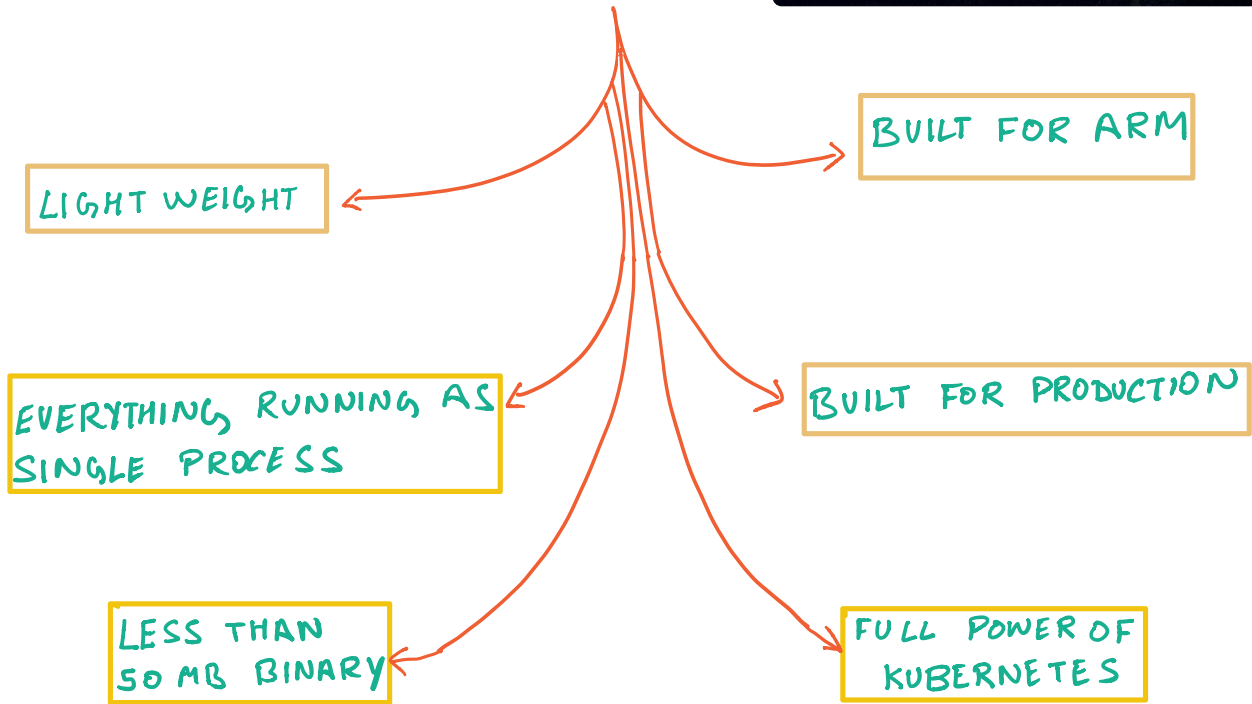
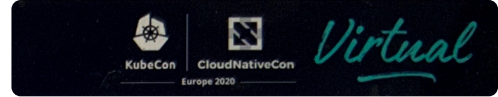


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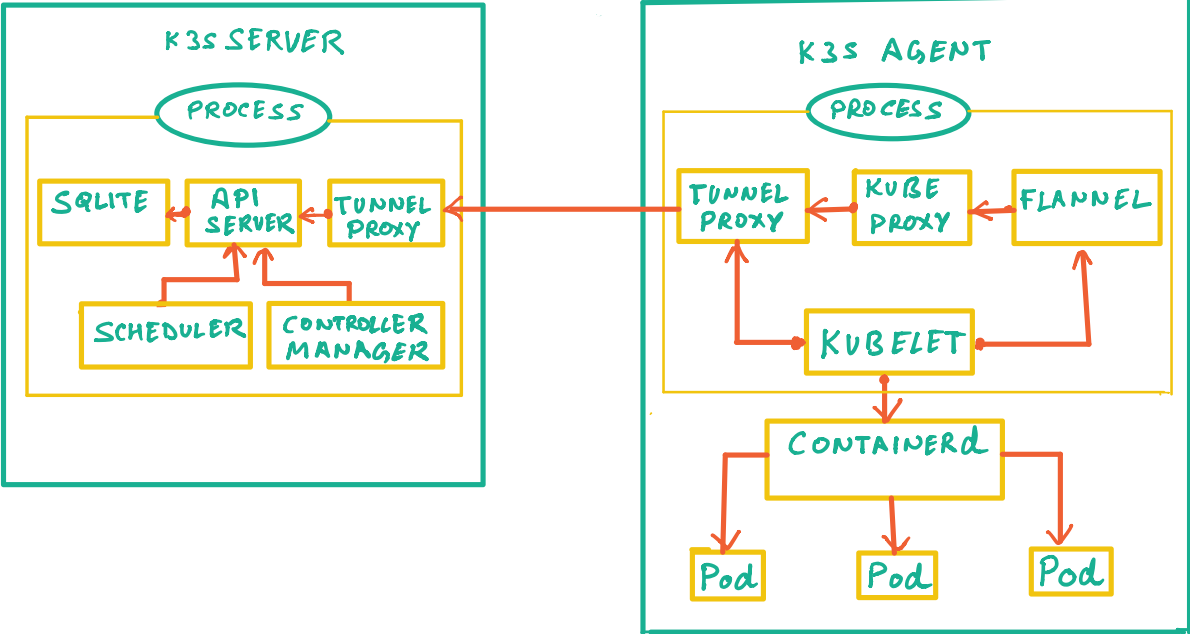
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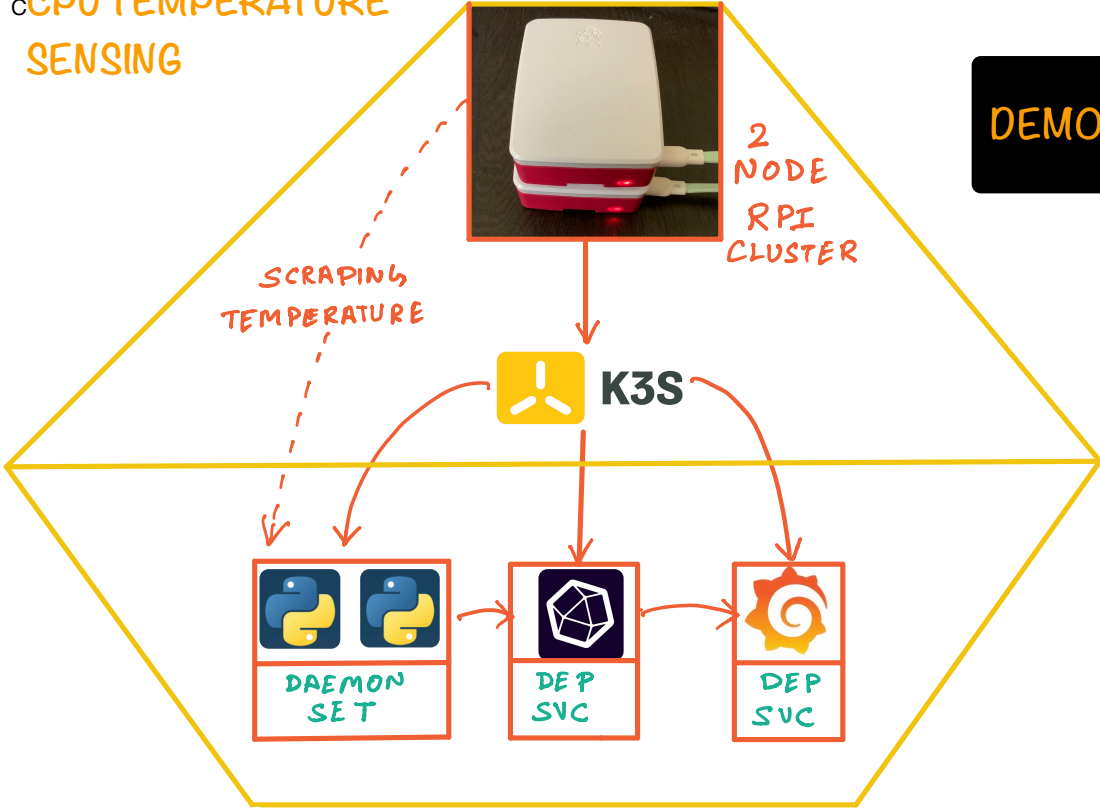


# K3S ARCHITECTURE



# CPU TEMPERATURE SENSING

DEMO TIME





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# Demo...

<https://github.com/saiyam1814/Kubecon2020EU>

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# Challenges of Edge Computing



- Vendor lock-in
  - Look at Kubernetes at Edge solutions
- Hardware Integration for Kubernetes at Edge
  - k3s/KubeEdge for specific embedded device
- Cultural Challenges: Embedded Developers v/s Cloud Native Developers
  - Different Tech stacks (C versus others)
  - Different cultures (CI/CD etc)
- Understand Architectural needs:
  - Kubernetes: Great for cloud/data center compute instances
  - KubeEdge: Great for cloud control plane/disparate edge instances
  - K3s: Great for cloud, edge and airgapped environments



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# Future Stuff (Bonus)



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- tooling/future stuff
- Ketchup, civo, k3s and kubernetes differences



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