## ENTERPRISE KUBERNETES OPENSHIFT

An introduction to the Container Platform



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## **OPENSHIFT** CONTAINER PLATFORM

#### **TECHNICAL OVERVIEW**



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### **Recapture - containers**

- Linux Containers is a effective way to distribute and run software
- Containers run in isolation allowing for "conflicting" software to run on the same host
- To build containers, podman and buildah are used
- To run a container, "podman run" executes locally
- A container "is just" Linux processes It runs as fast with access to the same hardware as normal processes
- Containers are embedded in Linux security: SELinux, CGroups and Namespaces



## Great - so why a container platform?

- A single host has limits memory, CPU, IO and more
- Full HA applications must not have single point of failures
- Managing individual containers is complex when you have thousands
- Software needs updating, failure, monitoring
- Access to features like Storage, network needs to be part of the solution

Solution: AUTOMATION

A container platform automates running containers - allows for much better integration into CI/CD pipelines



## But this is enterprise - so it's not open source?

- FALSE!
- Upstream to Openshift is OKD: https://www.okd.io/
  - \$ openshift-install create cluster
- OpenShift / Kubernetes does require a lot of resources
  - But limited development single-node installations are available
  - We'll be focused on full installations in this talk
- The enterprise OpenShift is free for everyone to try for 60 days:
  - https://cloud.redhat.com





# Functional overview











#### **OPENSHIFT CONTAINER PLATFORM** Architectural Overview









OpenShift and Kubernetes core concepts



### a container is the smallest compute unit





## containers are created from container images





## container images are stored in an image registry





## an image repository contains all versions of an image in the image registry





## containers are wrapped in pods which are units of deployment and management







## ReplicationControllers & ReplicaSets ensure a specified number of pods are running at any given time



ReplicationController



## Deployments and DeploymentConfigurations define how to roll out new versions of Pods





## a daemonset ensures that all (or some) nodes run a copy of a pod





## configmaps allow you to decouple configuration artifacts from image content







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## secrets provide a mechanism to hold sensitive information such as passwords





The etcd datastore can be encrypted for additional security <u>https://docs.openshift.com/container-platform/4.6/security/encrypting-etcd.html</u>



## services provide internal load-balancing and service discovery across pods





### apps can talk to each other via services





## routes make services accessible to clients outside the environment via real-world urls





### Persistent Volume and Claims





### Liveness and Readiness





### Persistent Volume and Claims





## projects isolate apps across environments, teams, groups and departments







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## OpenShift 4 Architecture



#### your choice of infrastructure

COMPUTE	NETWORK	STORAGE



#### workers run workloads





#### OPENSHIFT CONTAINER PLATFORM Architectural Overview

#### masters are the control plane





#### everything runs in pods





#### state of everything





#### core kubernetes components





#### core OpenShift components





#### OPENSHIFT CONTAINER PLATFORM Architectural Overview internal and support infrastructure services





#### run on all hosts

OpenShift Services     Infrastructure services     Kubernetes services     Kubernetes services     Image: Comparison of the service ser	Monitoring Logging Tuned SDN DNS Kubelet	Monitoring Logging Tuned SDN DNS Kubelet
MASTER	WORKER	WORKER
СОМРИТЕ	NETWORK	STORAGE



#### integrated image registry





#### cluster monitoring





#### log aggregation





#### integrated routing





#### dev and ops via web, cli, API, and IDE





## Another Architectural visualization







## Monitoring Application Health



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### AUTO-HEALING FAILED PODS





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API/AUTHENTICATION		POD POD	POD POD
DATA STORE	C D		
SCHEDULER	NODE	NODE	NODE
HEALTH/SCALING	POD POD	POD C	POD C
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OpenShift lifecycle, installation & upgrades



## OpenShift 4 Installation

Two new paradigms for deploying clusters



#### **Installation Paradigms**

#### **OPENSHIFT CONTAINER PLATFORM**

#### – HOSTED OPENSHIFT

#### **Full Stack Automated**

Simplified opinionated "Best Practices" for cluster provisioning

Fully automated installation and updates including host container OS.



#### **Pre-existing Infrastructure**

Customer managed resources & infrastructure provisioning

Plug into existing DNS and security boundaries

Red Hat Enterprise Linux CoreOS Red Hat Enterprise Linux

#### Azure Red Hat OpenShift

Deploy directly from the Azure console. Jointly managed by Red Hat and Microsoft Azure engineers.

#### **OpenShift Dedicated**

Get a powerful cluster, fully Managed by Red Hat engineers and support.



#### Full-stack Automated Installation





#### **Pre-existing Infrastructure Installation**



#### **Comparison of Paradigms**

Full Stack Automation

Pre-existing Infrastructure

Build Network	Installer	User
Setup Load Balancers	Installer	User
Configure DNS	Installer	User
Hardware/VM Provisioning	Installer	User
OS Installation	Installer	User
Generate Ignition Configs	Installer	Installer
OS Support	Installer: RHEL CoreOS	User: RHEL CoreOS + RHEL 7
Node Provisioning / Autoscaling	Yes	Only for providers with OpenShift Machine API support



## OpenShift 4 Lifecycle

Supported paths for upgrades and migrations



#### Each OpenShift release is a collection of Operators

- 100% automated, in-place upgrade process
- 30 Operators run every major part of the platform:
  - Console, Monitoring, Authentication, Machine management, Kubernetes Control Plane, etcd, DNS, and more.
- Operators constantly strive to meet the desired state, merging admin config and Red Hat recommendations
- CI testing is constantly running install, upgrade and stress tests against groups of Operators

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#### **OpenShift Upgrades and Migrations**

#### Happy path = upgrade through each version

• On a regular cadence, upgrade to the next supported version.

#### Optional path = migration tooling

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• To skip versions or catch up, use the application migration tooling to move to a new cluster.

#### What is Extended Update Support (EUS)?

- Extended timeframe for critical security and bug fixes
- Work within a customer's release management philosophies
- Goal to provide a serial pathway to update from EUS to EUS
  - Augmented by Migration Tool and/or Advanced
     Cluster Management (ACM) based on use-case





#### 4.6 EUS for Layered Products/Add-ons









## **DEMO TIME**

Let's play with OpenShift



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## No local installation needed

- <u>https://learn.openshift.com</u>
  - $\circ$   $\,$   $\,$  Free courses and demo systems to use
- Everyone is encouraged to follow along on their own systems
- Use "cloud.redhat.com" if you want to install on your own
- <u>https://docs.openshift.com</u>
  - All documentation to OKD and Enterprise OpenShift, Managed OpenShift etc.



## Getting Started with Openshift

- Navigate to Learn.openshift.com
- If you do not have an account, create one - login
- Click "Getting Started with ..."
- We'll learn how to:
  - Login
  - Grant access
  - Deploy existing images
  - Scale images
  - Building from source





## WOAH - a lot of stuff happened!

- Yes container platforms are complex with a lot of moving parts
- We're focusing on "getting started" here a lot of things happened we didn't talk about or focus on.
- BUT
  - The Developer experience was simple and straightforward
  - Fast from code to running in less than 30 seconds
  - Easy to scale easy to recover from issues
  - Lots of languages and platforms (anything that can run on Linux)
- Advanced deployments are more complex
- If time permits, we can look a bit behind the scenes of what is actually going on.



## You can run any code - learn.openshift.com

- Experiment you don't have to just run the code mentioned in the guide
  - Try other containers from other container registries
  - Try your own code
- S2I is a open source project to automate builds of software
  - <u>https://github.com/openshift/okd</u> covers how to use it with a wide set of languages
- More developer focused demos
  - <u>https://developers.redhat.com/courses/openshift</u>
  - <u>https://developers.redhat.com/developer-sandbox</u>
  - Goes a lot deeper with advanced deployments, dependencies etc.



## Important concepts

• Projects/Namespace

Placeholder for objects - used for security, collaboration etc

• API

Server entry point - all interaction goes through the API

- Command line tool: oc and kubectl
   Note you can use kubectl from other builds
   "oc" has all OpenShift extensions built into it
- Deployment

An object defining a pod (container) runtime

• Route or Ingress

Entry point from the outside to runtime



## **Concepts - continued**

• Service

Internal network exposure of a pod - think DNS and firewall in one

• Build

Source-to-Image taking a git-repository and turning it into a binary container

• Secret

Stored encrypted and protected data used for credentials and similar

• ConfigMap

Clear text configuration data that can be exposed to a pod using vary ways





## THANK YOU

