

GitOps from Development to Production

Continuous Integration and Continuous Delivery on OpenShift

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Objective To create an automated build and deploy process





GitOps Principles









The system is described declaratively The desired state is versioned in Git

Approved changes can be applied automatically A controller exists to detect and act on drift





ObjectiveImage: Comparison of the systemImage: Comparison of the tempositoryImage: Comparison of tempositoryImage: Comparison of tempository



Source content and objectives

- From source content to running microservice
 - Source code of application
 - Container images (both a target and a source asset)
 - Kubernetes resources services, configuration maps, secrets etc.
- Multiple steps to manage
 - Software build process
 - Container image creation and storage
 - Deployment of container image from storage
 - Application of Kubernetes resources
- Two major phases
 - Build Continuous integration
 - Deploy Continuous delivery



Deployment configuration assets



Source code to container image cycle - Continuous Integration

- Store source code in a Git repository
- Pull the source code and execute a build process
 - The build definition assets are also stored in a Git repository
- Create a new container image as part of the build process
 - This process will use a source container image that may be stored in the container registry or an external registry
- Push the new container image to the container registry with a new identification tag



Container image deployment - Continuous Delivery

- Store resource definitions in a Git repository
- Pull the resource definitions from Git
- Create Kubernetes resources based on resource definition
 - Refer to the container image in the container registry Ο
- Deploy assets based on the desired state of Kubernetes resources
- Result : A new running application
- Two inputs that can drive change
 - Deployment configuration resources Ο
 - **Container** images Ο

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Deployment

configuration resources

Store





OpenShift GitOps and OpenShift Pipelines



OpenShift GitOps

- Delivered as an operator on OpenShift clusters
- Based on ArgoCD open source project
- Synchronisation maintained between the Git repository and resulting assets
- 'Application' definition Git repository -> Kubernetes resource





OpenShift Pipelines

- Delivered as an operator on OpenShift clusters
- Based on Tekton open source project
- Cloud native continuous integration process
- Tasks execute in isolated pods
 - Each step of a task is a specific and unique container
- Pipeline and task definitions stored in Git repository
- Kubernetes resources based on Git content managed by OpenShift GitOps



CI / CD Triggers



Git pull request process

- To merge changes back to main create a pull request
 - Request that a person with appropriate permission 'pulls' the changes from the development branch
- Branch protection rules
 - Require the pull request is used
 - Require approvals prior to merge
 - Require status checks on commits evaluate to 'pass'
 - etc.





Update the deployment content with new image tag



- New image tag identifier
- To be used in the deployment process
- Update process

- Update the deployment asset
- Commit to Git

Solution? K ustomize.io



Kustomize



- A text replacement and resource build process
- Template file -
 - 'Deployment time' text replacement process
 - Text patching directives



Pipeline process for development and QA

- Use a simple update and deploy process for development
- Use a pull request to create a review point for QA





QA pipeline - Use a pull request to manage the release



Pipeline in action – before resources are approved



Pull request summary with orange 'pending' indicator

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Merge pull request - You can also open this in GitHub Desktop or view command line instructions.

Pipeline in action - after resources have been approved



Pull request summary with green 'success' indicator



QA pipeline - Use a pull request to manage the release



Extending the pipeline to production













OpenShift Pipelines delivers a cloud-native continuous integration process



OpenShift GitOps delivers a deployment automation process driven by content in Git repositories



Git provides a secure source code repository in which branch protection rules govern when content is merged to branches

R ustomize *io* Kustomize provides a controlled mechanism to update and patch Kubernetes resources for each environment

Most important : A structured and controlled process that is understood by the team





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