



How to Teach Old Apps New Tricks with Ansible-based Operators: Part 1

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PART ONE

- What is Kubernetes?
- Containers and State
- What's an Operator?
- Ansible-based Operators

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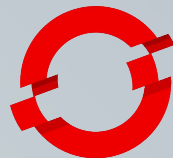
“Kubernetes (k8s) is an open-source system for automating deployment, scaling, and management of containerized applications.”

<https://kubernetes.io/>

ENTERPRISE KUBERNETES

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CONTAINERS AND STATE



STATELESS IS **EASY**

ORGANIZATIONS RUN ON STATE



STATELESS IS EASY, STATEFUL IS HARD

WHAT'S AN OPERATOR?

KUBERNETES OPERATORS



**OPERATOR
SDK**

Kubernetes Operators encode the human knowledge required to install, upgrade / patch, recover from failure, and tune applications and services.

<https://github.com/operator-framework/operator-sdk>

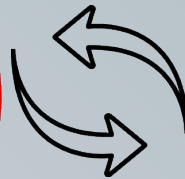
OPERATORS MANAGE STATE



Declare
operational
knowledge from
experts as code



Operator SDK



Deployments
StatefulSets
Autoscalers
Secrets
Config maps

ANSIBLE-BASED OPERATORS

YAML: YEAH YOU KNOW ME!

k8s-deployment.yaml

```
---
apiVersion: apps/v1
kind: Deployment
metadata:
  name: motd-operator
spec:
  replicas: 1
  selector:
    matchLabels:
      name: motd-operator
  template:
    metadata:
      ...
```

ansible-task.yml

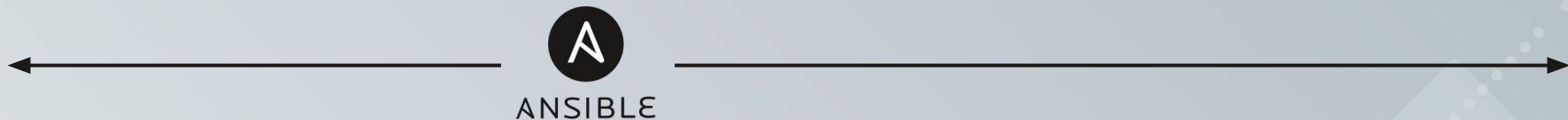
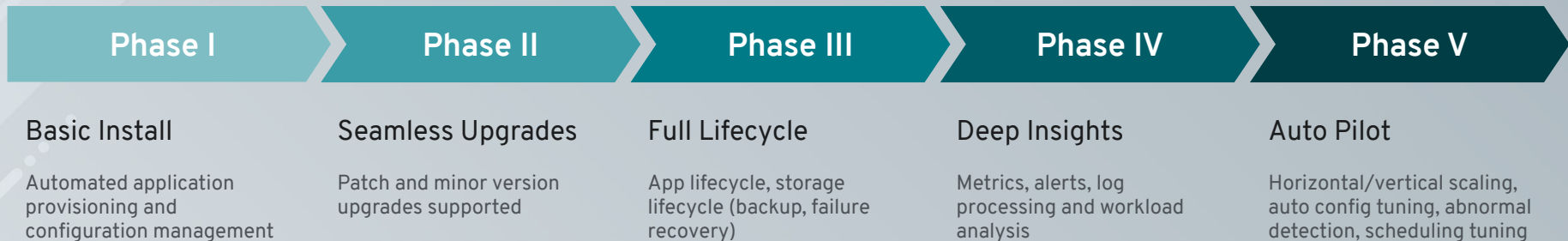
```
---
- name: Save the STATE
  copy:
    dest: /motd.timestamp
    src: /etc/motd
    owner: root
    group: root
    mode: 0644
    remote_src: true
...
```

OPERATOR SDK ANSIBLE


The [Ansible](#)
[Kubernetes module](#)
enables the Operator
SDK to utilize Ansible
and its ecosystem to
manage applications
inside Kubernetes and
OpenShift



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CHALLENGE

Operators are usually written in Go by software developers that are highly familiar with Kubernetes.

SOLUTION

Ansible® is a first class citizen in the Operator SDK. Ansible-based Operators provide a lower barrier to entry, faster iterations, and the power of Ansible and its ecosystem. Put more simply, an Operator is designed to watch and respond to the resources in your cluster to enable your application to run as desired. After the Operator SDK is invoked, it's Ansible code as opposed to a common approach of handling these events with Go code.

Learn the basics of Kubernetes

Key components, architecture, and how to get started

BUT WAIT THERE'S MORE
IN PART TWO



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