



Containerization War Stories

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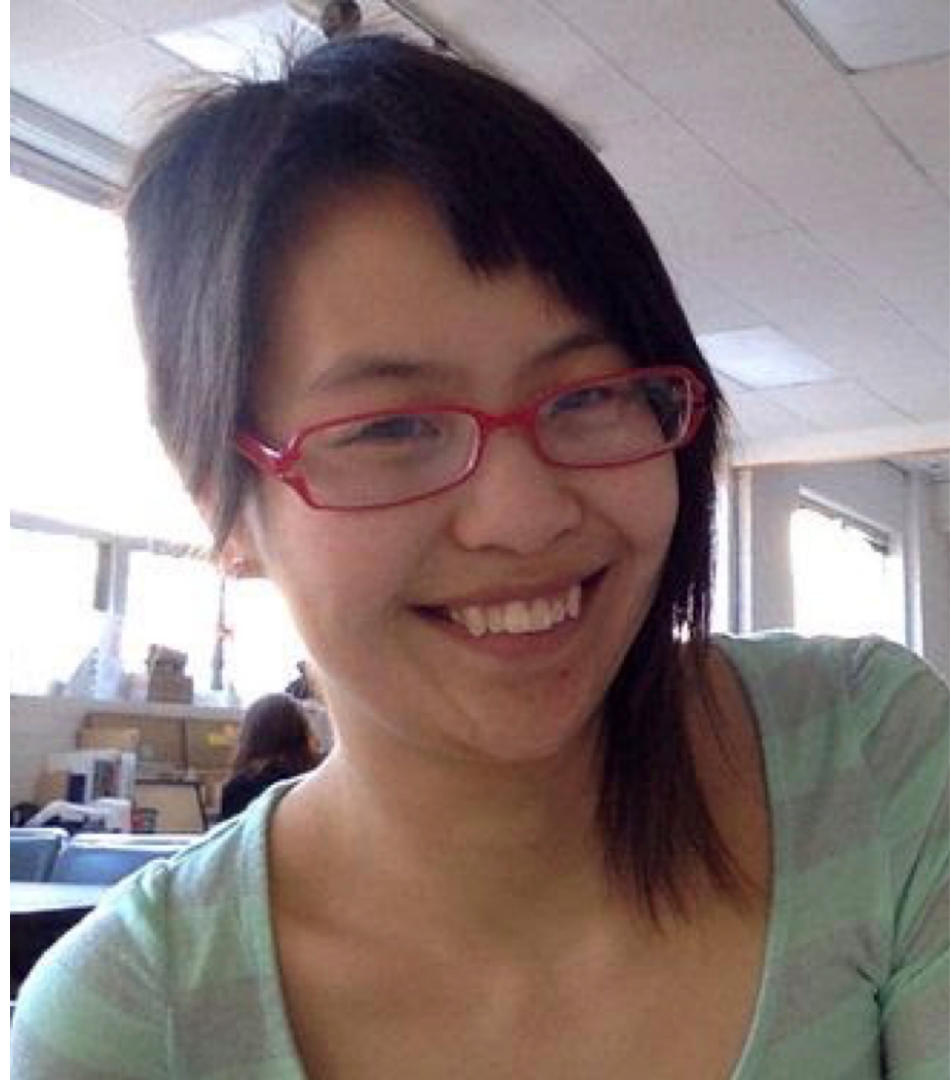
Deployment tooling
Service framework



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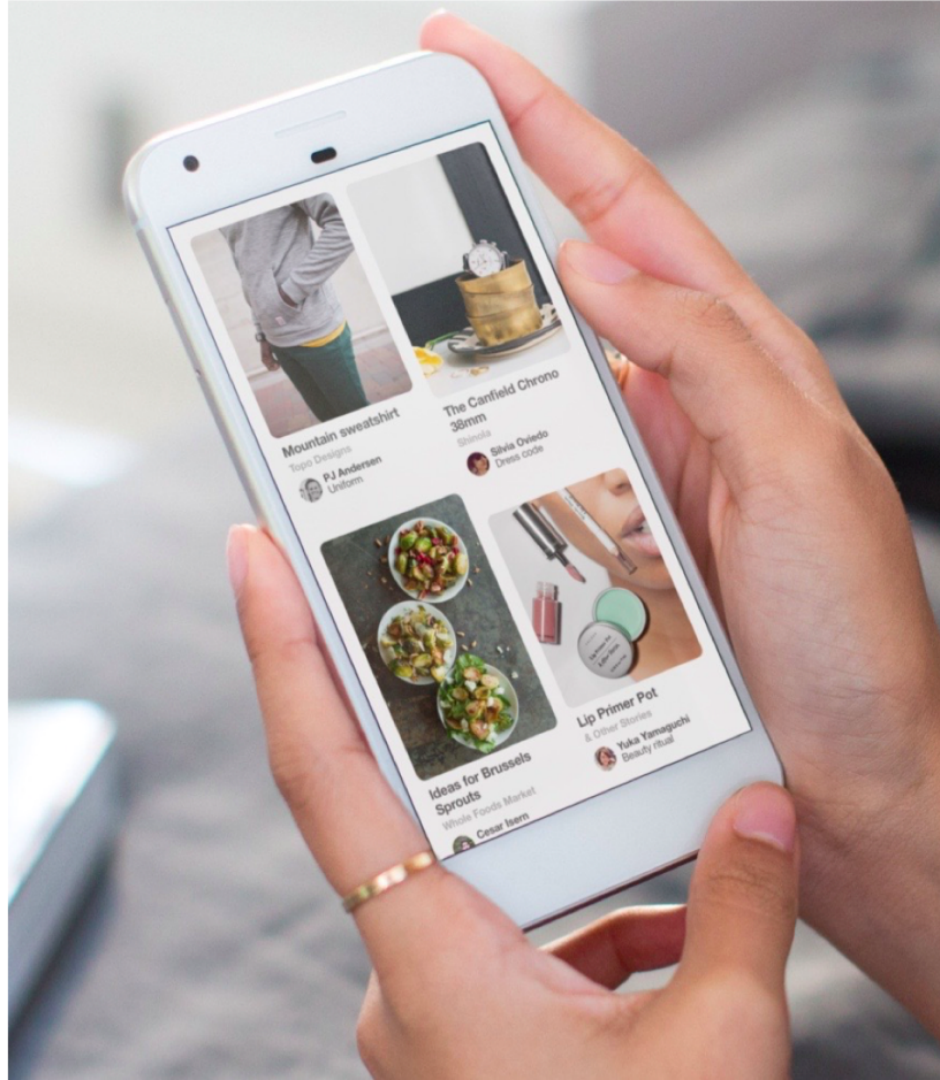
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- 200M+ monthly users
- 150TB data processed daily
- tens of thousands of machines
- hundreds of services



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Yum! A little eggy but good! I put mine in an 8x8 pan which I guess made it thicker because it took 10 minutes extra to cook (47 minutes). I had some extra pear after covering the bottom and I just ate it but I think if I did this again and had extra pear I would put some pear in the middle of the batter.

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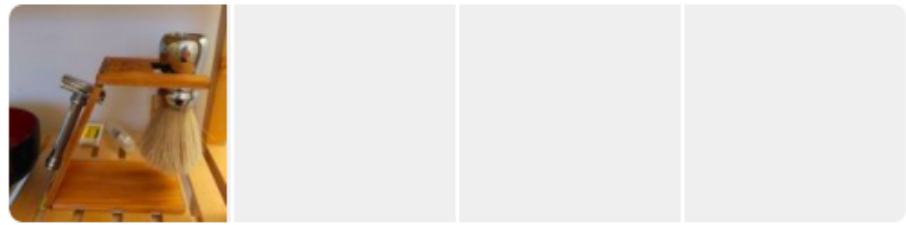


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Agenda

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2 **Architecture**

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Intro

Why Containers?

Config management

is hard

(We are bad at it)

**Masterful vs
masterless puppet**

masterful puppet war stories

- Multiple ways to do things (dashboard, repo)
- Weapon of mass destruction
- Puppet master failures

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masterful to masterless puppet migration

- Over 10,000 machines
- Over 100 services
- Over 3.5 years
- Still ongoing

Just migrate to Docker...

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Config management

wrong tool for the job

Docker

vs.

upstart / SysVinit
/ monit / supervisorctl
/ systemd

**The container runs
the same way on
dev and prod**

Architecture

Old model

**Each service has its own
profile with configuration**

Old model

base AMI

config management

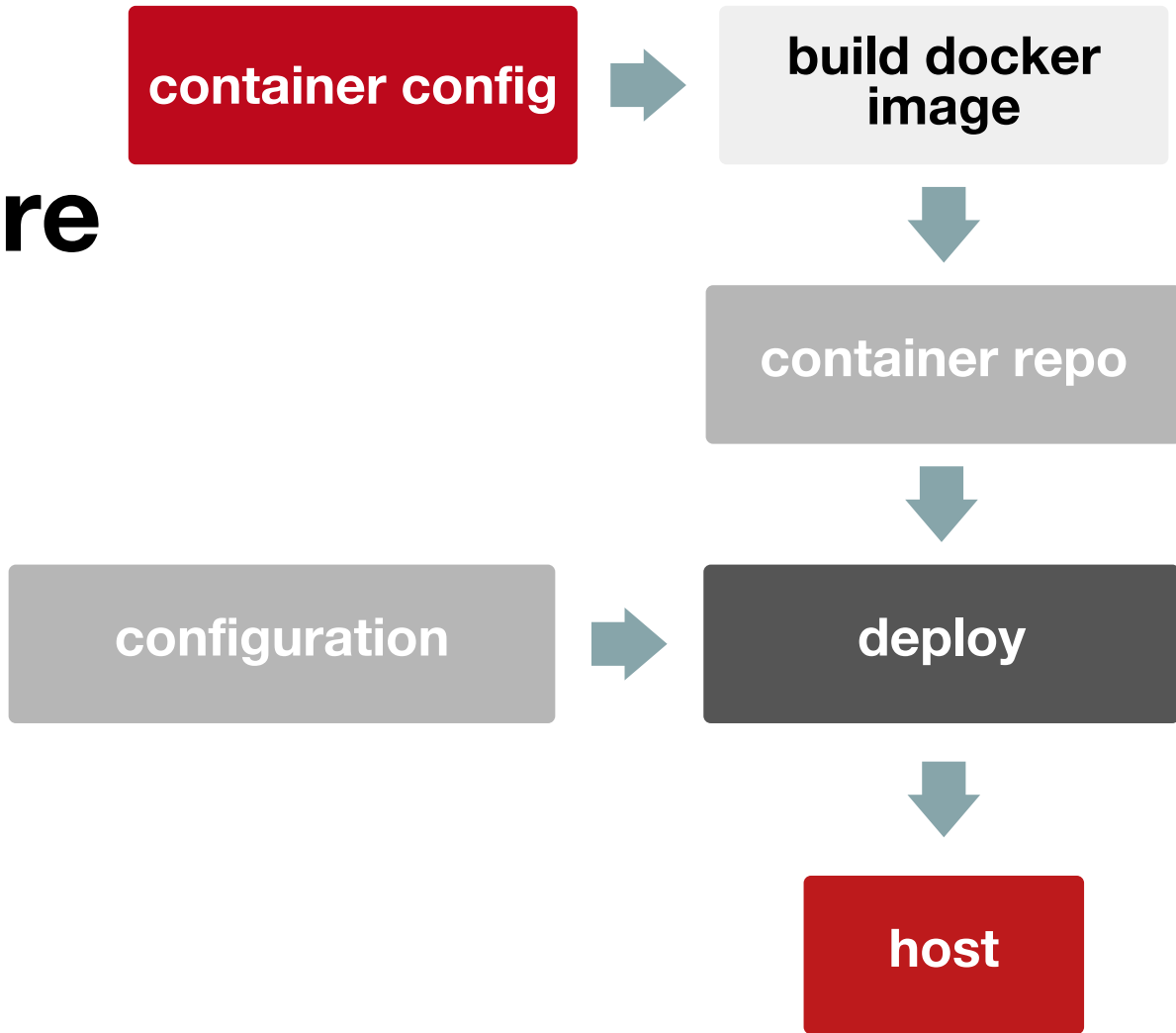
deploy config

process manager

New model

container config

Container architecture





sidecars

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Container configuration

```
version: 1
myservice:
  docker:
    user: prod
    image: myservice
    environment:
      - LOG4J_CONFIG_FILE=config/log4j_myservice.xml
      - CONFIG_FILE=config/config.myservice.docker-prod.properties
sidecars:
  service_discovery:
    deps:
      - myservice.dep
  logging:
    log_configs:
      - myservice.log_configs
```

Aspiring towards
container
orchestration

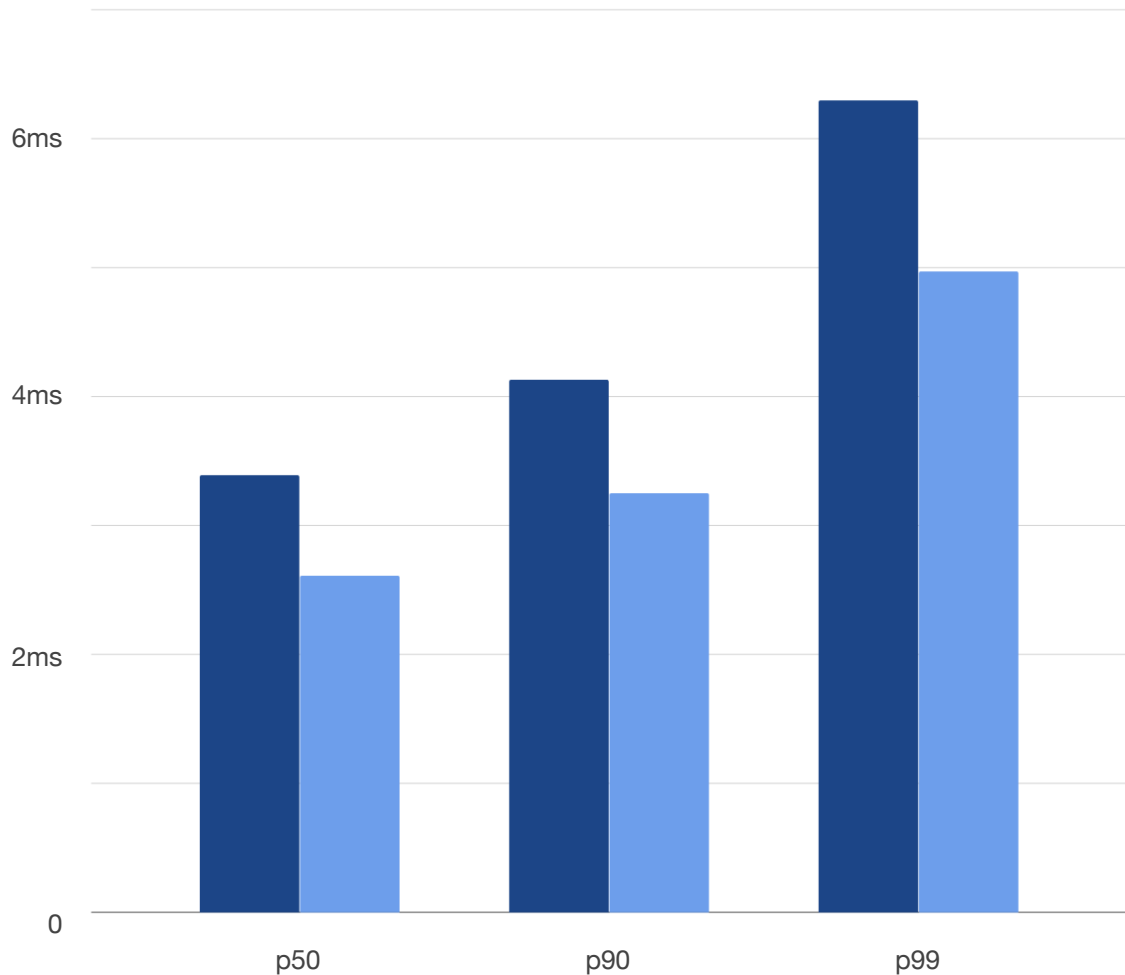
War stories

Why use containers?

**Packaged
immutable
dependencies.**

Increased Network Latency

■ Docker Bridge Network
■ Docker Host Network



Docker and Logging to STDOUT

**The JSON File
driver by default
runs in a
blocking mode.**



OverlayFS and Cron

Entrypoint:

```
bash -c touch /etc/cron.d/* && cron -f
```

Auto recovery



--restart unless-stopped

--init

Self preservation

**OOM killer is
coming...**



**Often “Docker issues”
aren’t Docker issues.**

**Make sure you’re aware of
what is being migrated.**

Consider staging migrations.

Migrating from Puppet to Containers

How do you
convert your
puppet
manifests into a
Dockerfile?

Where we are today.

- Provisioning time: 30 → 5 mins
- Migrated ¼ of infra in 1 year
- New services onboarded weekly.



Takeaways

- Immutable deployments
- Autorecovery
- Migrate one thing at a time
- Automate

Containers are easy
migrations are hard



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