

# Build a 12 factor microservice in half an hour

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concept of 12 factor app

of creating a 12 factor microservice using MicroProfile

tors in a nut shell



## THE TWELVE-FACTOR APP

A methodology

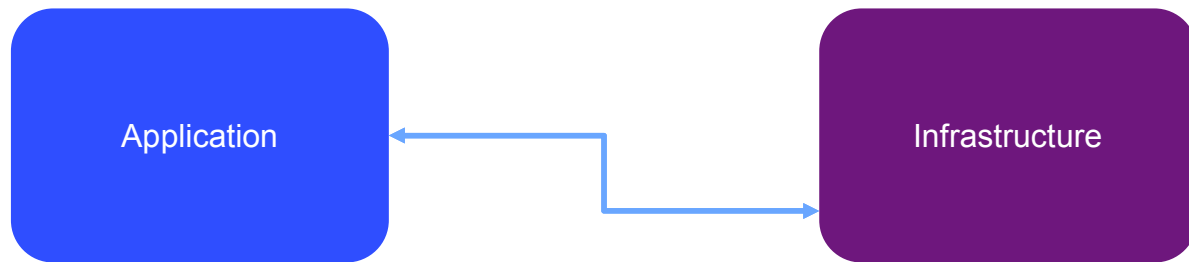
Best Practices

Manifesto

[12factor.net/](https://12factor.net/) by Heroku

# 2 factor?

Define the contract between applications and infrastructure



# Is a Twelve-Factor App?

In the modern era, software is commonly delivered as a service: called *web apps*, or *software-as-a-service*. The twelve-factor app is a methodology for building scalable web apps that:

1. Use **declarative** formats for setup automation, to minimize time and cost for new developers joining the project;

2. Have a **thin** **contract** with the underlying operating system, offering **maximum portability** between execution environments;

3. Be designed for **deployment** on modern **cloud platforms**, obviating the need for servers and systems administration;

4. Have a **strict** **divergence** between development and production, enabling **continuous deployment** for maximum agility;

5. Be **easy to scale up** without significant changes to tooling, architecture, or development practices.

The twelve-factor methodology can be applied to apps written in any programming language, and which use any combination of backing services (database, queue, etc.).

# FACTORS

- Database
  - Dependencies
  - Config
  - Checking Services
  - Build, Release, Run
  - Processes
7. Port binding
  8. Concurrency
  9. Disposability
  10. Dev / Prod parity
  11. Logs
  12. Admin Processes

# Codebase

codebase tracked in revision control, many deploys.”

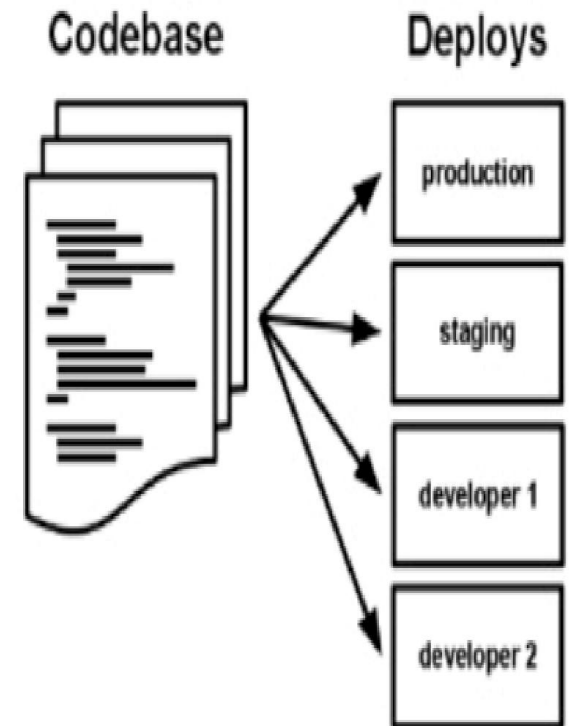
create smaller teams to individual applications or microservices.

Following the discipline of single repository for an application forces the teams to analyze the architecture of their application, and identify potential monoliths that should be split off into microservices.

single source code repository for a single application (1:1 relation).

different stages are different tags/branches

i.e. use a central git repo (external Github/GitHub Enterprise also suitable)





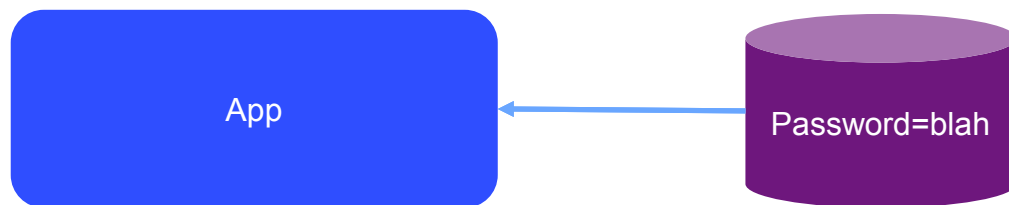


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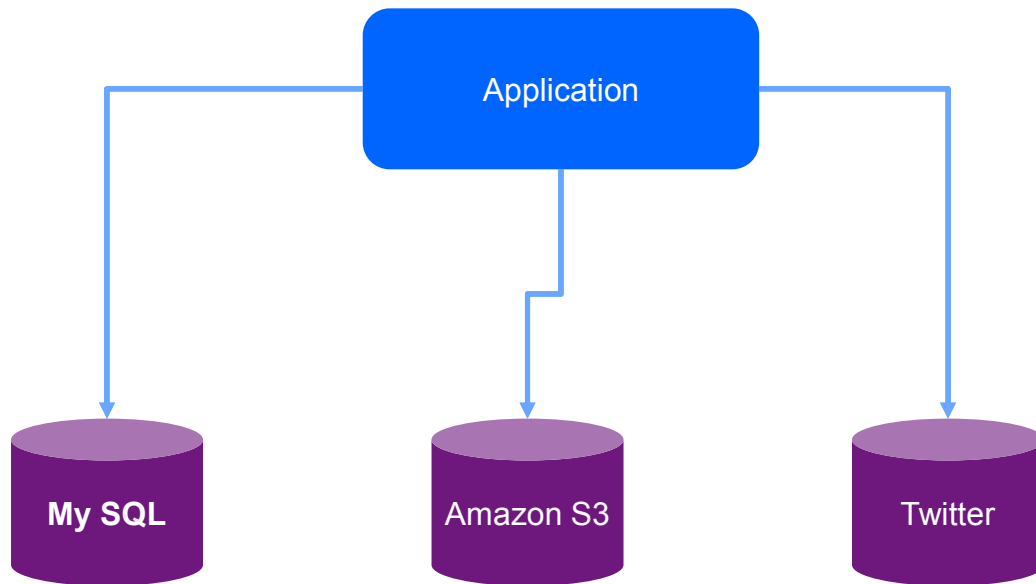
ing config should not need to repackage your application

Kubernetes configmaps and secrets (rather than environment variables) for container services

MicroProfile Config to inject the config properties into the microservices



Backing services as attached resources”



# ld, release, run

“separate build and run stages”

code is used in the build stage. Configuration data is added to define a release stage that can be deployed

in code or config will result in a new build/release

to be considered in CI pipeline

## IBM

[UrbanCode Deploy](#)

[IBM Cloud Continuous Delivery Service](#)

## AWS

- [AWS CodeBuild](#)
- [AWS CodeDeploy](#)
- [AWS CodePipeline](#) (not yet integrated with EKS)

## Azure

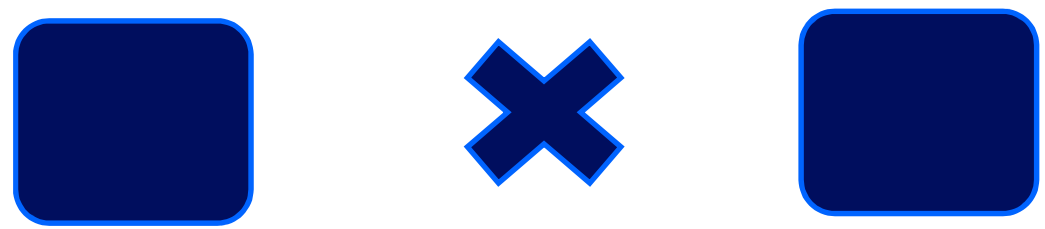
- [Visual Studio Team Services \(VSTS\)](#) (includes git)
- [Web App for Containers](#) feature of Azure App Service

# Processes

“Run the app as one or more stateless processes”

Stateless and share-nothing

REST API



# Port binding

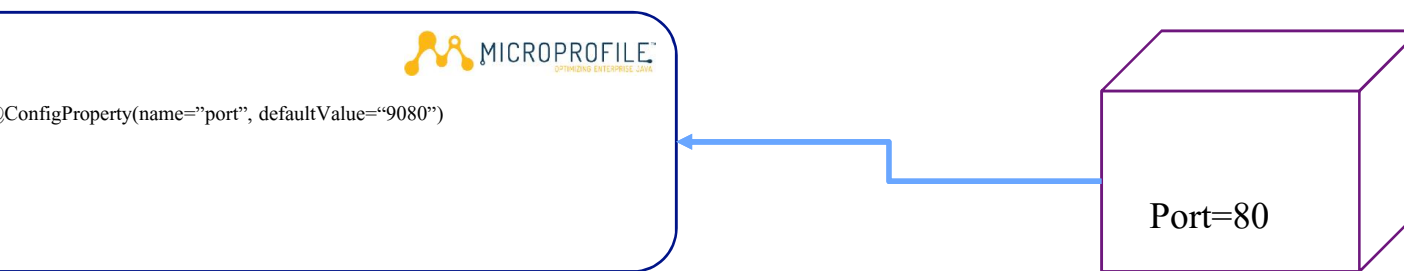


services via port binding”

Applications are fully self-contained and expose services only through ports. Port assignment is done by the execution environment

Kubernetes/service definition of k8s manages mapping of ports

MP Config to inject ports to microservices for chain-up invocations



# Concurrency

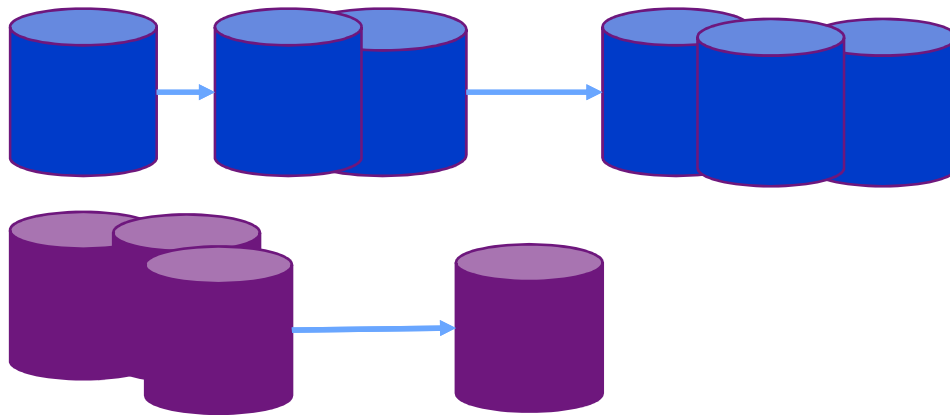
... via the process model”

... applications use processes independent from each other to scale out (allowing for load balancing)

... considered in application design

... autoscaling services: [auto]scaling built into k8s

... microservices



“Size robustness with fast startup and graceful shutdown”

Services start up fast.

Services shut down gracefully when requested.

Services are robust against sudden death

MicroProfile Fault Tolerance to make it resilient

## Service Model



- Pets are given names like `pussinboots.cern.ch`
- They are unique, lovingly hand raised and cared for
- When they get ill, you nurse them back to health



- Cattle are given numbers like `vm0042.cern.ch`
- They are almost identical to other cattle
- When they get ill, you get another one

• Future application architectures should use Cattle but Pets with strong configuration management are viable and still needed

From “[CERN Data Centre Evolution](#)”

## /prod parity

development, staging, and production as similar as possible”

development and production are as close as possible (in terms of code, people, and environments)

use helm to deploy in repeatable manner

(name)spaces for isolation of similar setups



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logs as event streams”

writes all logs to stdout

structured output for meaningful logs suitable for analysis. Execution environment handles routing and an  
structure

# admin processes

admin/management tasks as one-off processes”

ing: standard k8s tooling like “kubectl exec” or Kubernetes Jobs

to be considered in solution/application design

example, if an application needs to migrate data into a database, place this task into a separate component in

t to the main application code at startup

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Config  MICROPROFILE™  
OPTIMIZING ENTERPRISE JAVA

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Configure Microservice without repacking the application

— Access configuration via

- Programmatically lookup

```
Config config =ConfigProvider.getConfig()  
config.getValue("myProp", String.class);
```

Inject the configuration in configure sources

- Via CDI Injection

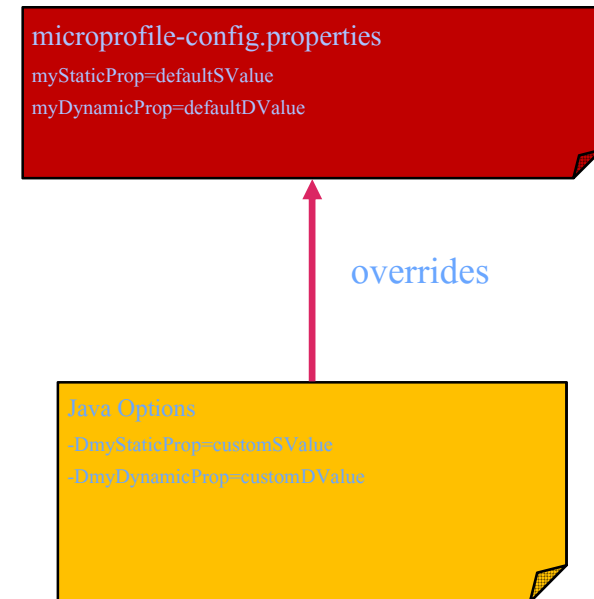
```
@Inject  
@ConfigProperty(name="my.string.property")  
String myPropV;
```

## Static Config

```
@Inject  
@ConfigProperty(name="myStaticProp")  
private String staticProp;
```

## Dynamic Config

```
@Inject  
@ConfigProperty(name="myDynamicProp")  
private Provider<String> dynamicProp;
```



# Profile Fault Tolerance

How to build a resilient microservice

Retry - `@Retry`

Circuit Breaker - `@CircuitBreaker`

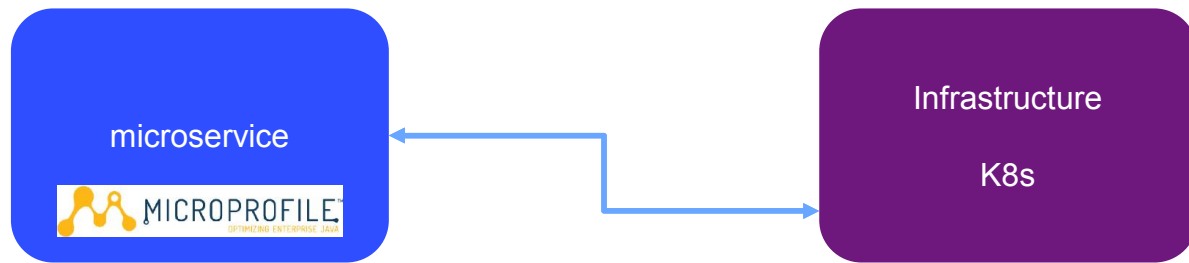
Bulk Head - `@Bulkhead`

Timeout - `@Timeout`

Fallback - `@Fallback`

or app

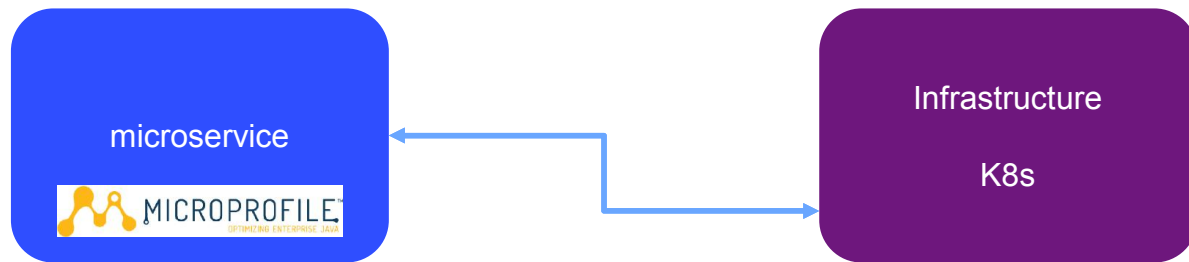
MicroProfile and K8s to build a microservice => 12 factor app



<https://microprofile.io>

<https://openliberty.io>

<https://www.12factor.net/>





# Con Sessions – MicroProfile and Jakarta EE

## MicroService in Half Hour

Emily Jiang

Wednesday, June 13, 2018 – 9:45 to 10:20

## Native Java Development with MicroProfile

Alasdair Nottingham

Wednesday, June 13, 2018 – 10:45 to 11:20

## Don't Your Parent's Java EE

Kevin Sutter

Wednesday, June 13, 2018 – 14:40 to 15:15

## Ignite - Wednesday



### MicroProfile meets Istio (Ignite)

Speaker: Emily Jiang

Date/Time: Wednesday, June 13, 2018 – 17:15 to 18:00

### Speed Dating with Jakarta EE (Ignite)



Speaker: Kevin Sutter

Date/Time: Wednesday, June 13, 2018 – 17:15 to 18:00

## Thursday

### JAX-RS 2.1 and Beyond...

Speaker: Andy McCright

Date/Time: Thursday, June 14, 2018 - 14:15 to 14:50

### Resilient Microservices with Eclipse MicroProfile

Speaker: Emily Jiang

Date/Time: Thursday, June 14, 2018 - 15:15 to 15:50

# Using IBM Cloud Private

	Source: Github Enterprise, github Images: any registry, IBM Cloud private registry
	Dependency management of language environment; container build process for repeatable inclusion of dependencies
	k8s configmaps and secrets
	Use configuration (see previous factor) to define target server as used by application
<b>in</b>	UrbanCode Deploy UrbanCode Release Plus k8s mechanisms with CI tooling
	To be considered in application design

<b>Port binding</b>	Application needs to expose ports. Ingress/service definition of k8s manages mapping of ports
<b>Concurrency</b>	App design ([auto]scaling built into k8s)
<b>Disposability</b>	App design
<b>Dev/prod parity</b>	Can use helm to deploy in same way. Namespaces for isolation of similar areas
<b>Logs</b>	ELK as part of ICP (or RYO)
<b>Admin processes</b>	App design; standard k8s tooling like "kubectl exec" or Kubernetes Jobs