

Optimizing the Software Development Process with IDP and Kusion

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Challenges

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About the Software Development Process

- DevOps was supposed to be a culture, not a job title.
- Better collaboration between developers and Ops.
- Reality: shift as much load as possible onto developers.





Challenges

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About the Software Development Process

- Sprawling tooling landscape.
- Increasing cloud adoption.
- Popularization of complex tools.
- Developers needed to understand complex cloud native toolchains.
- Trends that made the developers' day-to-day more painful.





Challenges

Developers:

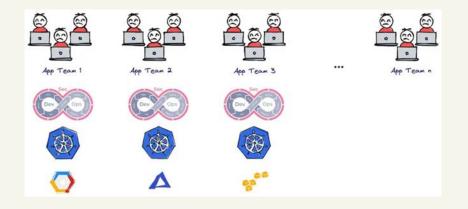
 Overload with unnecessary infrastructure/tools knowledge

Platform:

- Became a bottleneck
- Coordination is harder

Security:

- Perimeter is harder to define and establish
- Blast radius is potentially huge

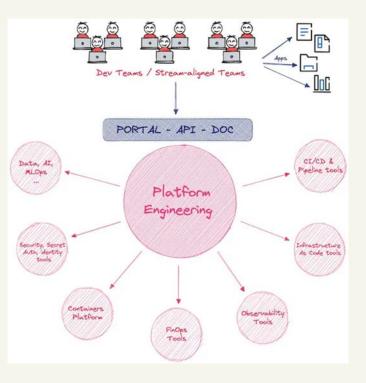




Platform Engineering

Platform Engineering Team.

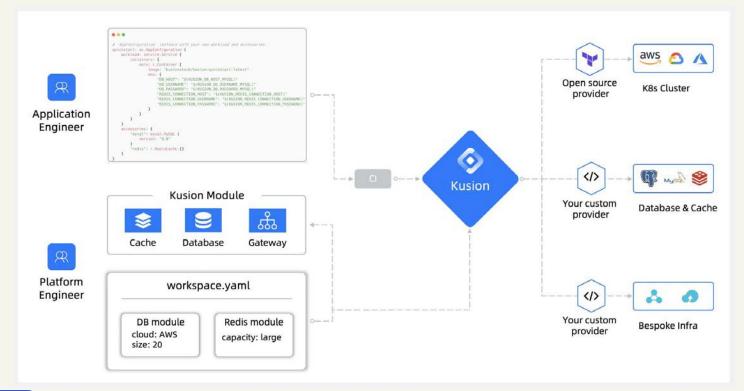
- Building and maintaining IDPs for their "customers".
- Developer no need to master overly complicated and extensive toolchains → focus on what they do best developing.
- Improves developer experience and drives increased developer productivity.



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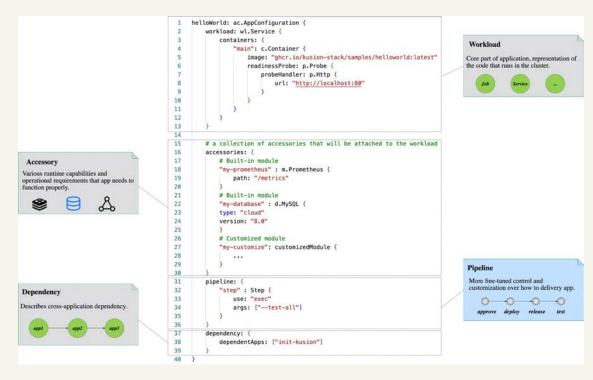
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Kusion AppConfiguration

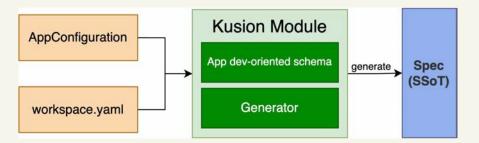


Developers Configuration

- AppConfiguration model consolidates workload and their dependent accessories for the application deployment.
- Drives a standardized and efficient application delivery and operation process in a hybrid environment.

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Kusion Modules



 Standardized application deployments, reusable building blocks (database, storage, monitoring, etc)

Platform Configurations:

- Environment, vendor-specific should be defined by platform team.
- Application configuration should be decouple with platform so it can be written once and applied anywhere.
- Developers chooses environment as they want.

```
modules:
    mysql:
    default:
        provider: aws
        size: 20
        instanceClass: db.t3.micro
        smallClass:
        size: 50
        instanceClass: db.t3.small
        largeClass:
        instanceClass: db.t3.large
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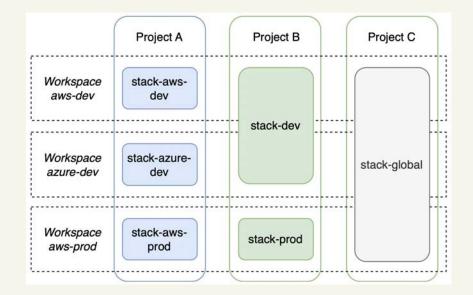


Kusion Workspace

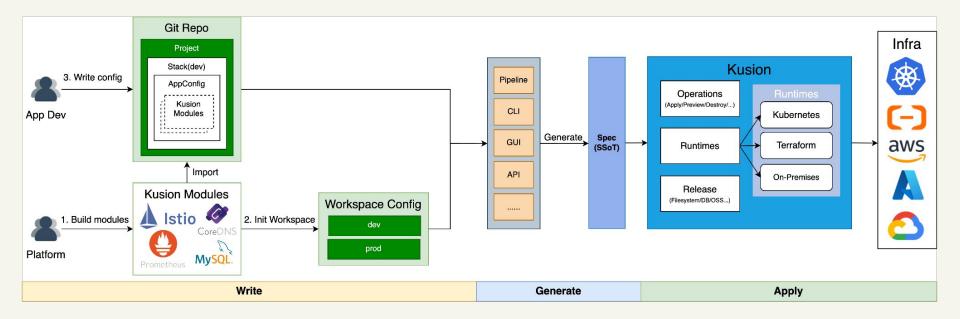
Platform Configurations:

- Logical concept that maps to an actual target environment to deploy
- Associated with a series of platform configurations that are used by developers

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    smallClass:
      size: 50
      instanceClass: db.t3.small
   largeClass:
      instanceClass: db.t3.large
secretStore:
  provider:
    aws:
      region: us-east-1
context:
    KUBECONFIG_CONTENT: ref://stag-cluster/kubeconfig
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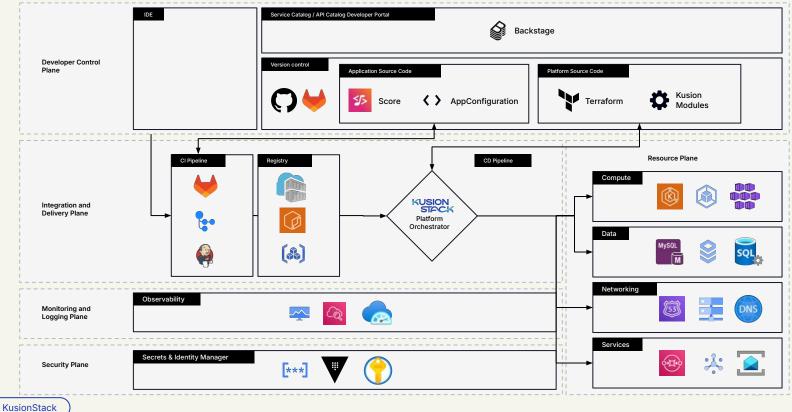


Overview of workflow





Kusion and IDP



Kusion Server and IDP

- Kusion today serves as a Command Line Interface (CLI).
- Kusion proposes a protocol-driven collaboration paradigm which includes the platform owners and application developers to each do their jobs separately.
- Proposing Kusion 2.0 which is a form of Kusion that runs as a long-running service and exposes REST service endpoints.
- Easy to integrate with Internal Developer Portal

Thank you

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