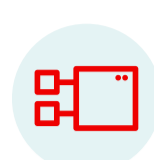


# Eight steps to Cloud-native application development

## What is cloud-native application development?

Cloud-native application development is an approach to building and running applications. It speeds time to market by using the cloud computing model, which is based on these key tenets:



### Service-based architecture

Uses modular, loosely coupled services, such as microservices. Increases development speed without increasing complexity.



### Container-based infrastructure

Uses containers as a common operational model across application technology stacks, offering portability, horizontal scaling, and automation with low overhead and high density.



### DevOps processes

Follows agile methodology, which builds and delivers applications collaboratively.



### API-driven communication

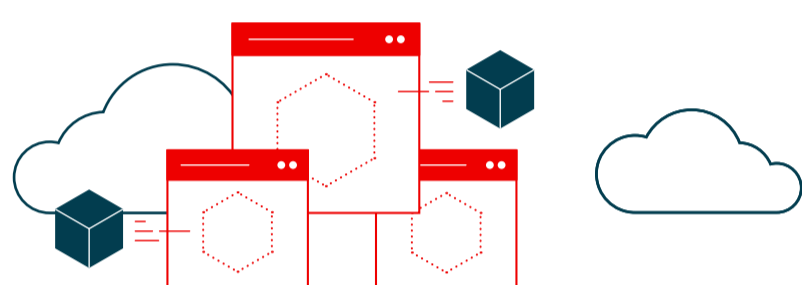
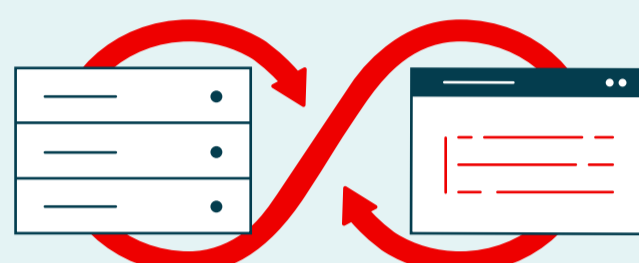
Uses lightweight application programming interfaces (APIs) that reduce the complexity and overhead of deployment, scalability, and maintenance. Composes new business capabilities and opportunities with the exposed APIs.

# 8 steps

Recommendations to help you succeed in cloud-native application development

## Step 01 Evolve a DevOps culture and practices

Take advantage of new technology, faster approaches, and tighter collaboration by embracing the principles and cultural values of DevOps and organizing your organization around those values.

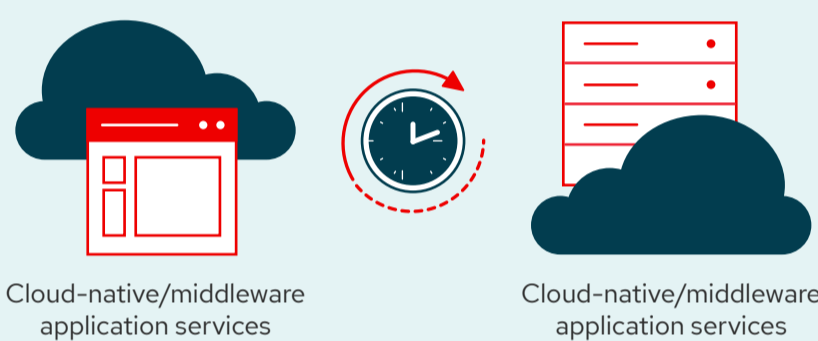


## Step 02 Speed up existing applications using fast monoliths

Accelerate existing applications by migrating to a modern, container-based platform—and break up monolithic applications into microservices or miniservices for additional efficiency gains.

## Step 03 Use application services to speed up development

Speed software development with reusability. Cloud-native application services are ready-to-use developer tools. However, these reusable components must be optimized and integrated into the underlying cloud-native infrastructure to maximize benefits.



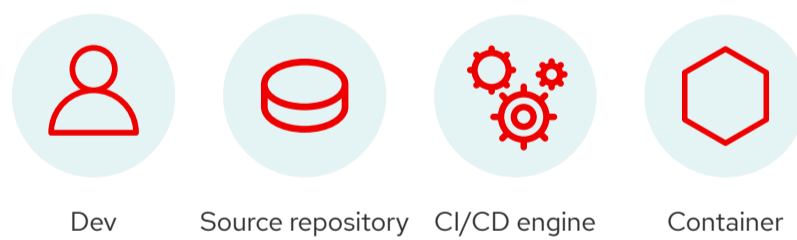
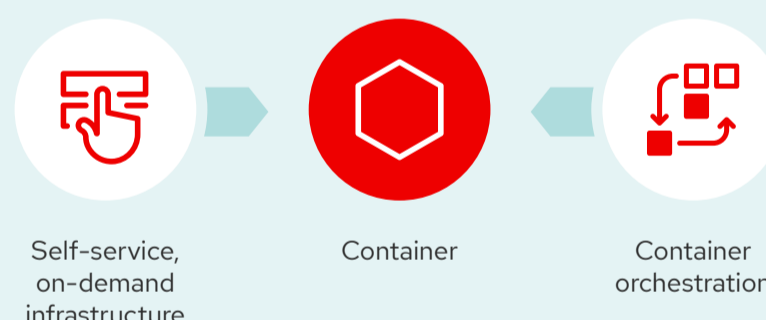
## Step 04 Choose the right tool for the right task

Use a container-based application platform that supports the right mix of frameworks, languages, and architectures—and can be tailored to your specific business application need.

|                      |                  |            |
|----------------------|------------------|------------|
| Spring Boot          | Dropwizard       | Node.js    |
| Eclipse MicroProfile | Python           | Golang     |
| Eclipse Vert.X       | Apache OpenWhisk | Jakarta EE |

## Step 05 Provide developers with self-service, on-demand infrastructure

Use containers and container orchestration technology to simplify access to underlying infrastructure, give control and visibility to IT operations teams, and provide robust application life-cycle management across various infrastructure environments, such as datacenters, private clouds, and public clouds.

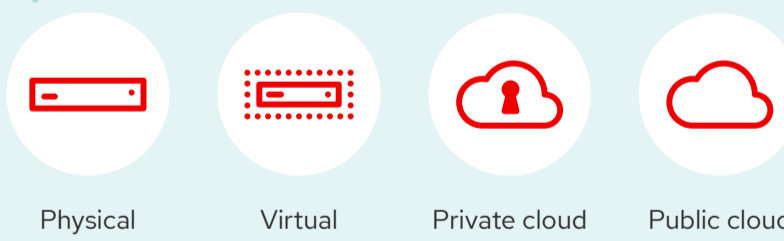


## Step 06 Automate IT to accelerate application delivery

- Lay the foundation for IT automation with:
- Automation sandboxes for learning the automation language and process.
  - Collaborative dialog across organizations for defining service requirements.
  - Self-service catalogs that empower users and speed delivery.
  - Metering, monitoring, and chargeback policies and processes.

## Step 07 Implement continuous delivery and advanced deployment techniques

Accelerate the delivery of your cloud-native applications with automated delivery, continuous integration/continuous delivery (CI/CD) pipelines, rolling blue/green and canary deployments, and A/B testing.



## Step 08 Evolve a more modular architecture

Choose a modular design that makes sense for your specific needs, using microservices, a monolith-first approach, or miniservices—or a combination.



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