

Open Source Use Cases

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The first instance of open source sharing wasn't related to software at all!

Red Hat

[1] http://redcrackie.com/blog/r-interesting-racts-about-open-source-software

- The first instance of open source sharing dates back to even before the first computer was developed.
- In 1911, revolutionary automaker Henry Ford was instrumental in launching the Motor Vehicle Manufacturers Association.
- This association launched an open source initiative that witnessed major US auto manufacturers sharing technology patents openly without seeking any monetary benefits in return.

What is Open Source?







- You want to make gingerbread people so you put a recipe together and bake the first set of cookies however i want to bake minions so i use the ginger people recipe and then i just add on the different ingredients/techniques to the recipe for my cookies.
- You can do this with open source code so you are never reinventing the wheel and you are reusing code already out there etc.

The Power of Open

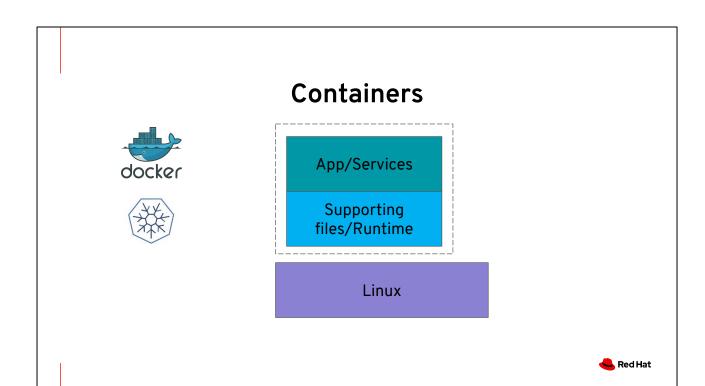


- 1. Collaboration
- 2. Feature selection
- 3. Application direction
- 4. Community





- Going to speak a little about different open source projects e.g. rad.io Linux and Spark
- This will start with a stack explanation



Kubernetes



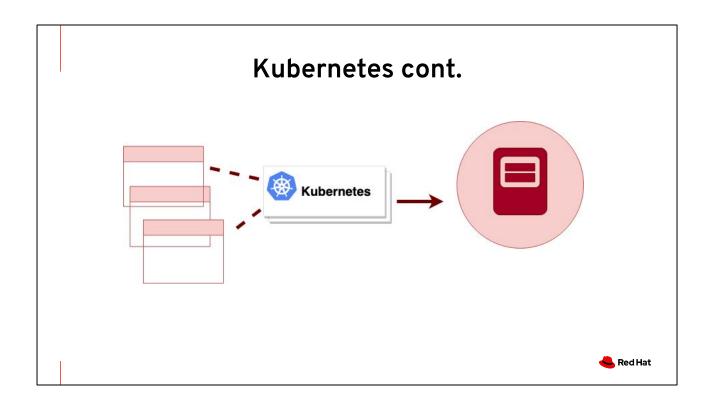
Container orchestration in a clustered environment

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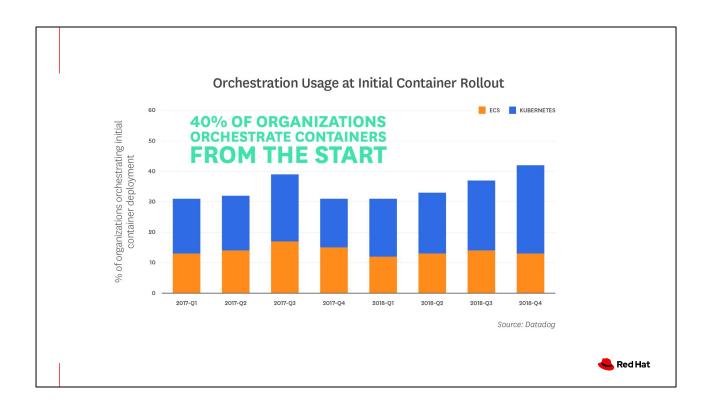
Contributions from Google, Red Hat, Microsoft, IBM, Intel, Rackspace and many more...



 Apache licence 2.0:Is strongly backed by community and allows you to freely use/modify and distribute projects.



- Groups containers to make an application into logical units for easy management and discovery.
- Released by Google but used worldwide now. Has a conference Kubecon which has over 4000 attendees.



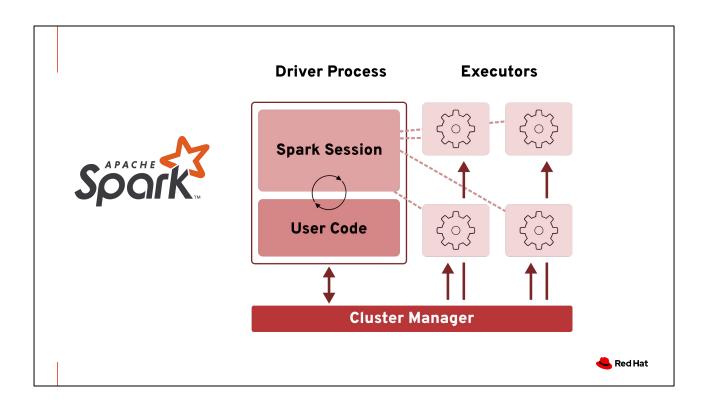
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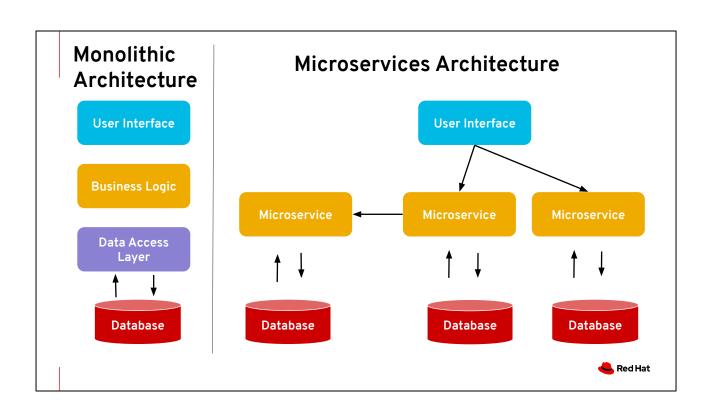


Kubernetes Enterprise Distribution

- Container security
- Application delivery and lifecycle
- Validated integrations
- Autoscaling













- Successful open source project
- Linux kernel
- Operating system
- Red hat Linux/ Fedora
- GPL2



- Linux: The linux kernel was released in 1991 by Linus Torvalds.
- It was/is freely modifiable source code.
- This had mainly been restricted to colleges and universities and followed from the open source project GNU.
- It continues to this day being a popular open source operating system examples are Red Hat Linux and Fedora.
- GPL2: widely used free s/w licence which guarantees end users freedom to run/study/share and modify the s/w



radanalytics



https://radanalytics.io/

Build **intelligent applications** for the cloud

Learning resource



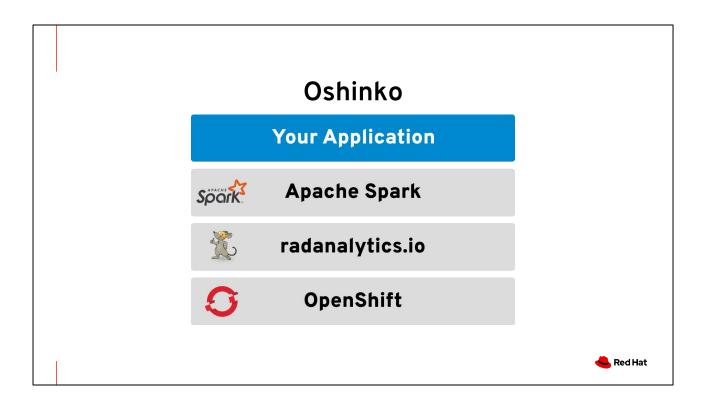
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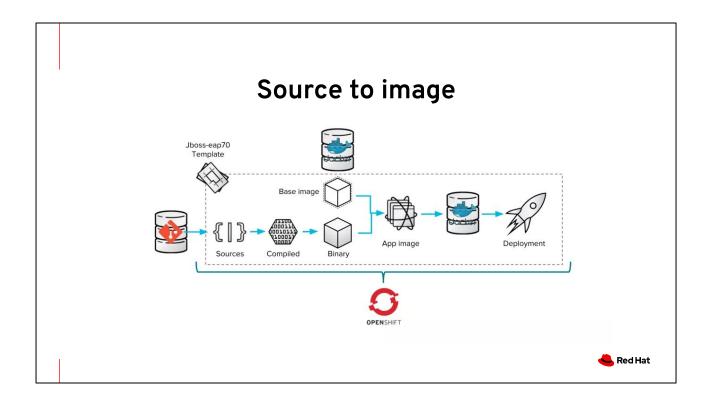
Intelligent applications to collect and learn from data to provide improved functionality with longevity and popularity.



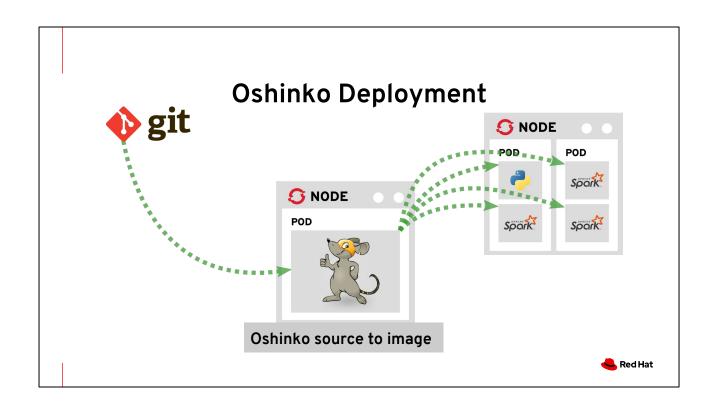
 There is a current focus on apache spark within a project in rad.io called oshinko however this could be extended to use different tools for data processing or ML models. . .



 Top level namespace describing different projects focused on apache spark deployment in openshift



- S2i is providing images with reasonable defaults but are easily modifiable.
- It allows users to build containerized apps by simply supplying source code.
- S2i builds docker images using this source code.
- Describe diagram





What is Community? Red Hat

- Community is the people who support the project
 - Software engineers
 - Users
- They help to feature set
- Additions to the software itself

Setting up a Community

- Do you want a large community?
- Selective community, small but focused?
- How will the project be structured? will you support growth yourself?

Decide this *before* making an open source a project



Example Communities

- Linux and Apache Spark
 - One person's hobby
 - o Grew quickly with interest
- Linux containers
 - o Google and Redhat backed
 - Large community world wide





- Two specific use cases, built on Open Source technologies, to create Al and Machine Learning powered scalable applications on the cloud.
 - o radanalytics.io, a distributed recommendation engine
 - reference architecture for end-to-end machine learning workflows, OpenDataHub.

2009

Matei Zaharia class project at UC Berkeley (Mesos)



- 2009, in a class project at UC Berkeley, Matei Zaharia had the idea to build a simple cluster management framework, which would be open to different cluster computing systems.
- One he built it, he wondered what he could build on top of it.

2009

Matei Zaharia class project at UC Berkeley (Mesos)



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So he built Spark.

2019

Most active Apache Big Data project *
+1000 contributors
Expanded to included Structured Streaming, Machine Learning, ...
International conferences

* - Hadoop is classified as a "database project".



Fast forward 10 years.

Normally research projects get abandoned after a paper is published.

What was different?

There are many components. And if you look back, you can always revise history.

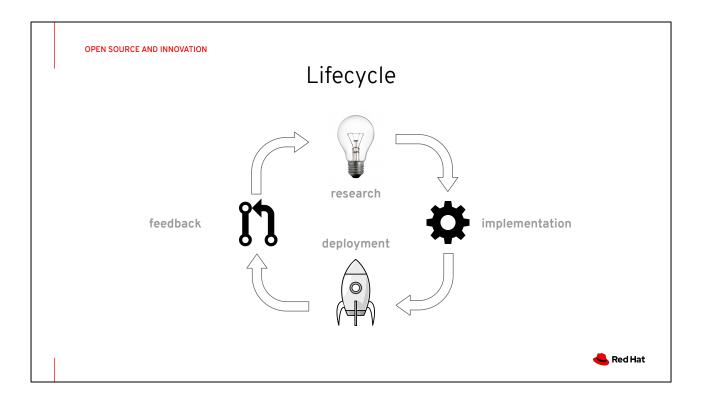
Especially if you had success.

First of all, we had a fantastic group of students.

Matei, the creator of Spark and others who did Mesos. And then another great group of **different students** who contributed and built different modules on top of Spark, and made what Spark it is today, which is really a platform. So, that's one: **the students**.

The other one was a **great collaboration with the industry**. We are seeing first hand what the problems are, Red Hat challenges, so you're pretty anchored in reality.

Matei in an interview



- Main strengths of community projects: foster innovation
- The typical lifecycle of a radanalytics project
 - start with an idea or a problem we were trying to solve within the scope of scalable intelligent applications
 - *e.g.* an architectural solution or some useful tool.
- release to the community, through the project's git repositories.
- Implementation used in different scenarios (real-world deployments, production or a teaching material)
- Feedback from the community
 - comments
 - improvements
 - bug reports
- Peer-reviewed -> project's codebase
- Repeat cycle
 - merge contributions

Use Cases

Project jiminy

A cloud-ready, scalable recommendation engine.

- **cloud -ready** deployable on Kubernetes/OpenShift
- scalable distributed computations supported by Apache Spark
- recommendation engine based on Alternating Least Squares (ALS), a well-known algorithm, winner of the Netflix prize

https://radanalytics.io/applications/project-jiming



- Several subprojects
 - Tooling
 - Architectural examples
- Project jiminy, a cloud-ready scalable recommendation engine tutorial
 - recommendation engine: a class of predictive models which can take pairs of users and products and predict an affinity, or a rating if you prefer between them. To do this, an algorithm for collaborative filtering, namely Alternating Least Squares (or ALS for short) is used
 - Cloud-ready: able to be deployed unmodified on K8s or OpenShift
 - Scalable: distributed computation with Apache Spark
 - increasing computational demands -> add more nodes to a cluster
- ALS: synergies between science, technological innovation and the software industry
- Netflix competition: ALS won. 10% increase in accuracy.
- Open Innovation
 - R&D open to everyone
 - Done under the public eye

User Story

As a **developer**, I want a system can be easily deployed from source in a cloud environment. The system should also be easy to tailor or extended to my specific needs.



- Motivation for jiminy?
- Targeted personas:
 - Developers
 - off-the-shelf solution for a relatively complex system
 - open source => open to modification and tailoring to specific needs
 - e.g. changing explicit ratings to implicit ratings in the predictive model
 - customize the user interface

User Story

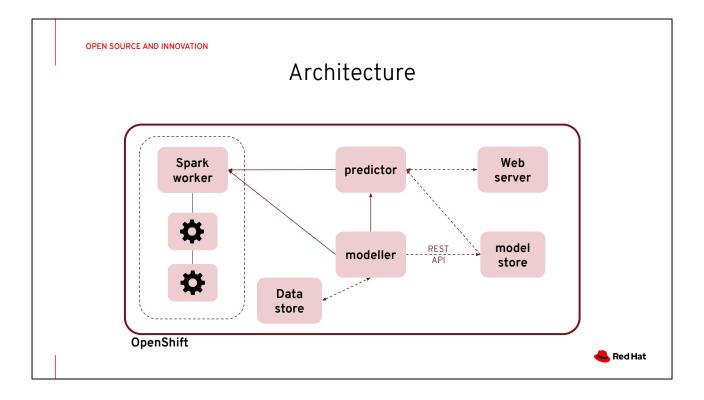
As a **business**, I want a system which helps maximising revenue by providing users with meaningful new product recommendations.



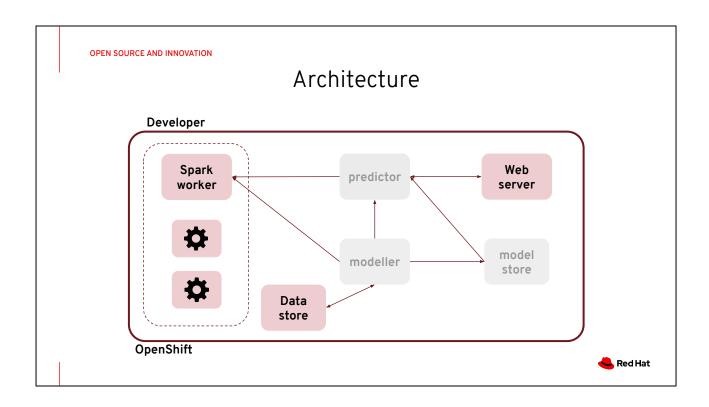
User Story

As an **data scientist**, I want a system which is flexible enough to let me focus on the recommendation algorithms.

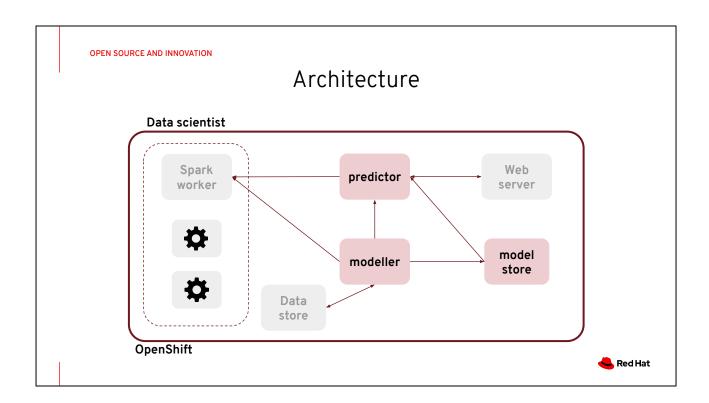




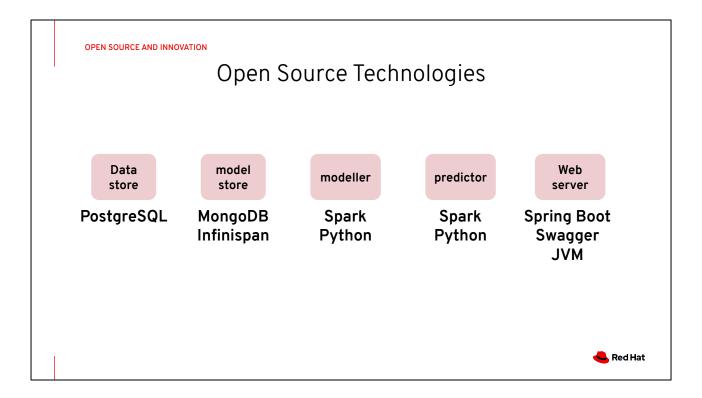
- How different personas contribute/use?
- microservice based architecture
 - set of components
 - o clear separation concerns
 - o communicating via well defined APIs
 - typically a REST interface
- data store: manages the historical ratings data
- Modeller: model training
- model store: model provisioning, versioning and storage
- Predictor: use trained model to perform predictions
- web server: connects user requests with the rest of the system
- computations are decoupled by delegating them to a Spark cluster



- different personas focus on different areas
 - o Developers: UI or data storage



- data scientists:
 - o modelling



- enable parallel development
- polyglot development.
 - Data scientist -> Python
 - o UI engineers -> preferred stack
- modules could be refactored as long as the API remains the same
- Each component released as a separate repository -> encourage the community to write their own implementations.

OPEN SOURCE AND INNOVATION

Engagement

Projects used as:

- learning resources

 o Workshops, conferences
- Technology showcases Basis for customised solutions





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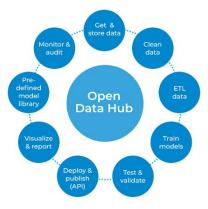
OpenDataHub



A reference architecture for an Al and Machine Learning as a service platform for OpenShift built using open source tools



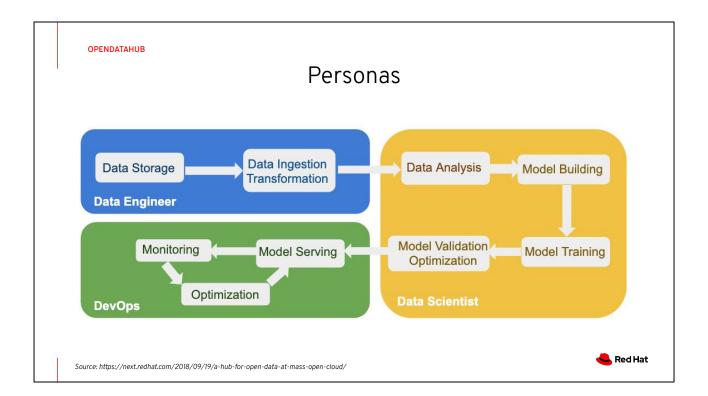
End-to-End



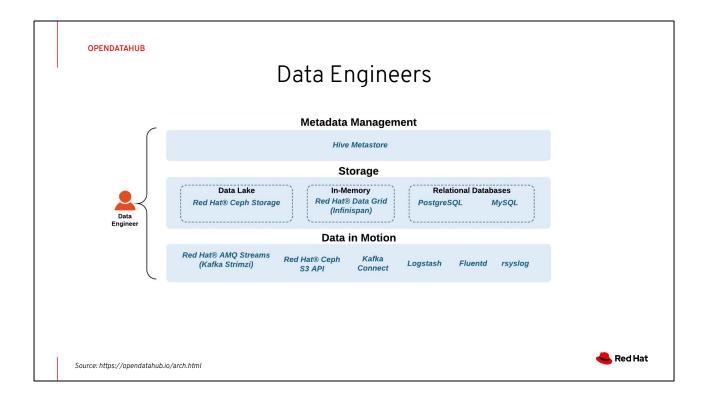
End-to-end Security & Compliance

Source: https://next.redhat.com/2018/09/19/a-hub-for-open-data-at-mass-open-cloud/





- typical AI workflow step
- aimed at multiple personas
- their fit in in a end-to-end AI workflow



Data in Motion

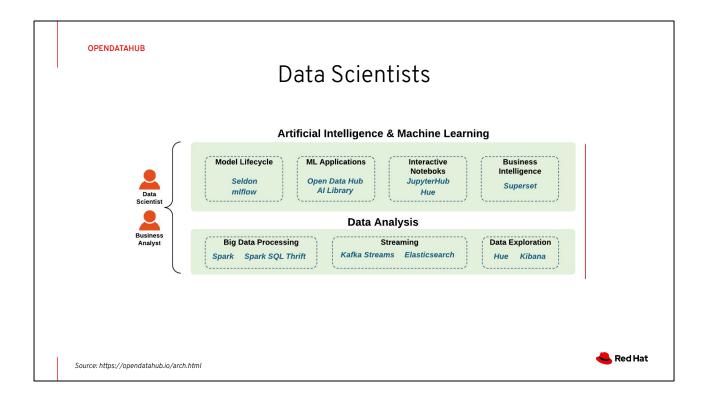
- data resides in multiple locations
- support data stored in legacy systems
- Hybrid Cloud => sharing data between different cloud systems
- Tools:
 - Red Hat AMQ Streams
 - Kafka
 - Logstash
 - native data transfer capabilities

Storage

- Data Lake/Databases/In-Memory
- distributed files
- {block, object} storage
- o relational databases + document-oriented databases
- RHDG -> Ceph
- High performance in-memory -> Infinispan (fast data access needed)

Metadata Management

Hive Metastore-> SQL interface to access the metadata information



Data Analysis

- Apache Spark (operator) -> OCP distributed cluster
- Support for ephemeral Spark clusters
- Data Exploration:
 - Hue -> SQL interface to query the data and basic visualization
 - Kibana
 - Elasticsearch

• Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning

- o Model Lifecycle tools
- Seldon: model hosting + metric collection
- MLflow: parameter tracking for models

Mass Open Cloud (MOC)

- 1. To create an inexpensive and efficient at-scale production cloud utility suitable for sharing and analyzing massive data sets and supporting a broad set of applications.
- 2. To create and deploy the OCX model, enabling a healthy marketplace for industry to participate at all levels in the cloud and profit from doing so.
- To create a testbed for research in and prototyping of cloud technology, empowering a broad community of researchers, open source developers and companies to develop new cloud computing technologies.



Mass Open Cloud (MOC)

Project's core partners:

- Academic (Boston University, Harvard University, Northeastern University, MIT)
- Government (Massachusetts Technology Collaborative, United States Air Force)
- Non-profit (MGHPCC)
- Industry (Cisco, Intel, NetApp, Red Hat, Two Sigma)



Challenges of Open Source

- Contribution guidelines
- Peer review
- Strategy / Focus
- Support / Documentation



Building a successful community?



Lessons learnt

- Open needs to be planned
- Communities need to be nourished to succeed

BUT

- You can have a hobby project
- Experiment and find your ideal spot



Conclusions

- Open is quicker and easier
- Collaboration and remote working made easier
- Relevant and customer driven application features



How you can get involved

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