

# Cloud Migration Paths

IaaS, K8s, or DBaaS

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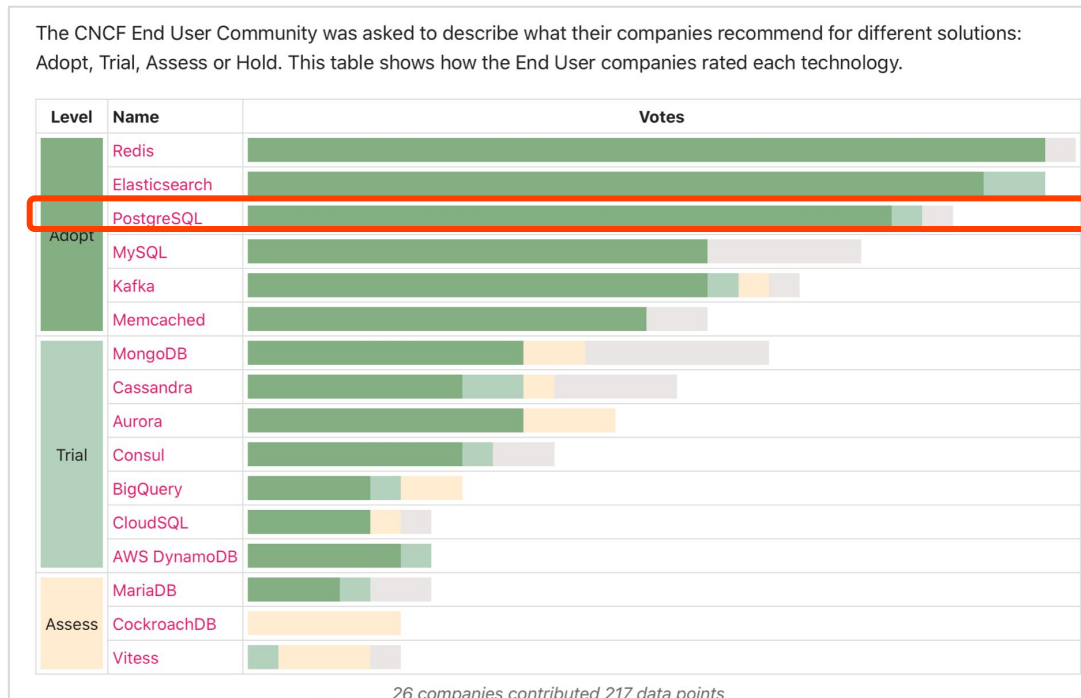


# Agenda

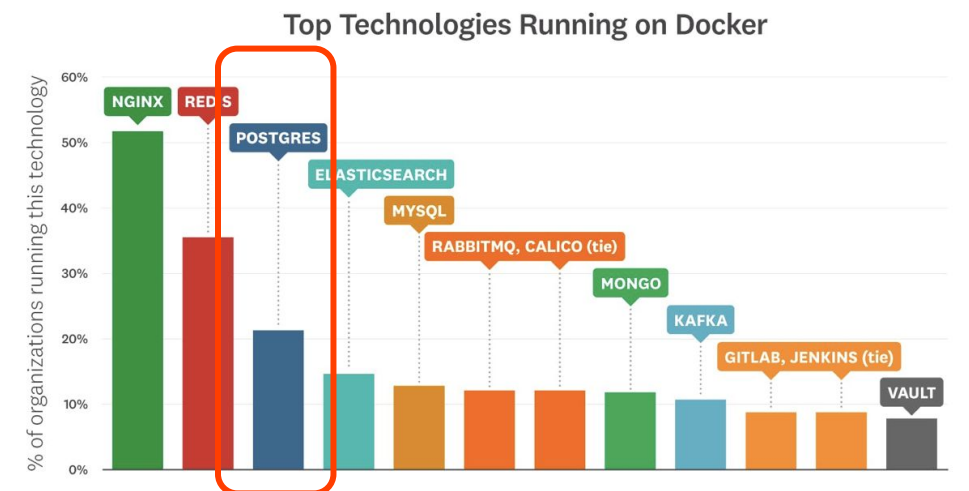
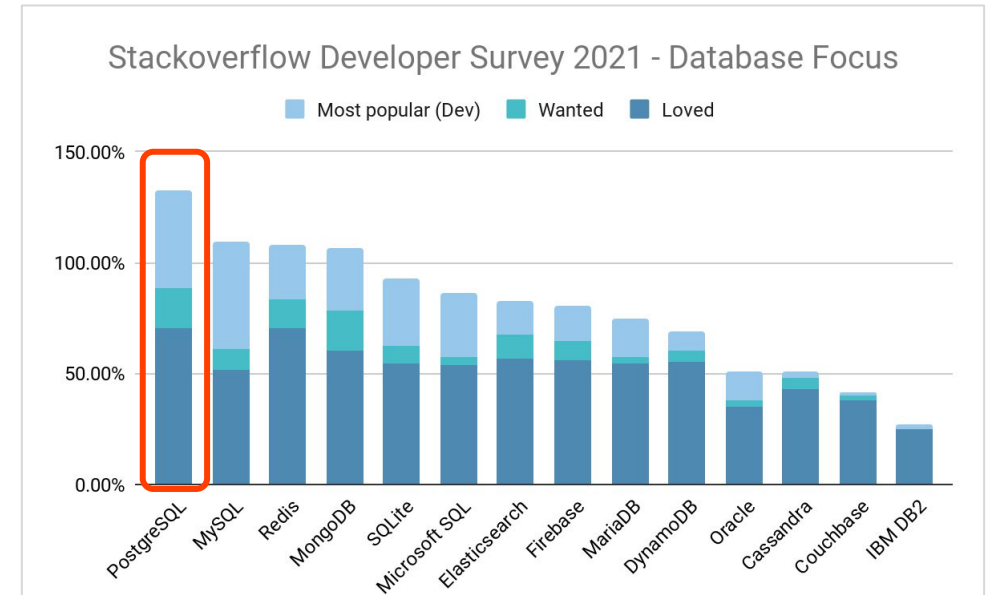
- Why leave legacy databases?
- Why are enterprises moving to the cloud?
- What is a “Cloud Service”?
- Database options in the cloud
- Kubernetes and DBaaS
- Key considerations



# Postgres as the clear winner in the database game



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# Why are enterprises leaving legacy databases?



## Price

High cost  
Restrictive and complicated contracts



## Agility

70% of new apps use open source  
Adopt modern software architectures



## Deployment Options

Organizations move to any Cloud  
Transition to Containers / Cloud Native



## Innovation

Legacy software in maintenance mode  
Postgres innovates many directions



## Consolidation

Focus IT spend on fewer platforms  
PostgreSQL fits many workloads



## Future proof

PostgreSQL inherently innovates  
to where the market goes



# Why are enterprises moving to the cloud?

## Agility

- “Today it takes us 52 days to provision a new database server for production. That has to come down to hours and minutes”
- Consumption-based licensing models vs. pre-purchased multi-year commitments

## Innovation

- Wide array of services available
- Experimentation and single projects
- Great support for trying something new and ‘Fail Fast’

## Global Markets

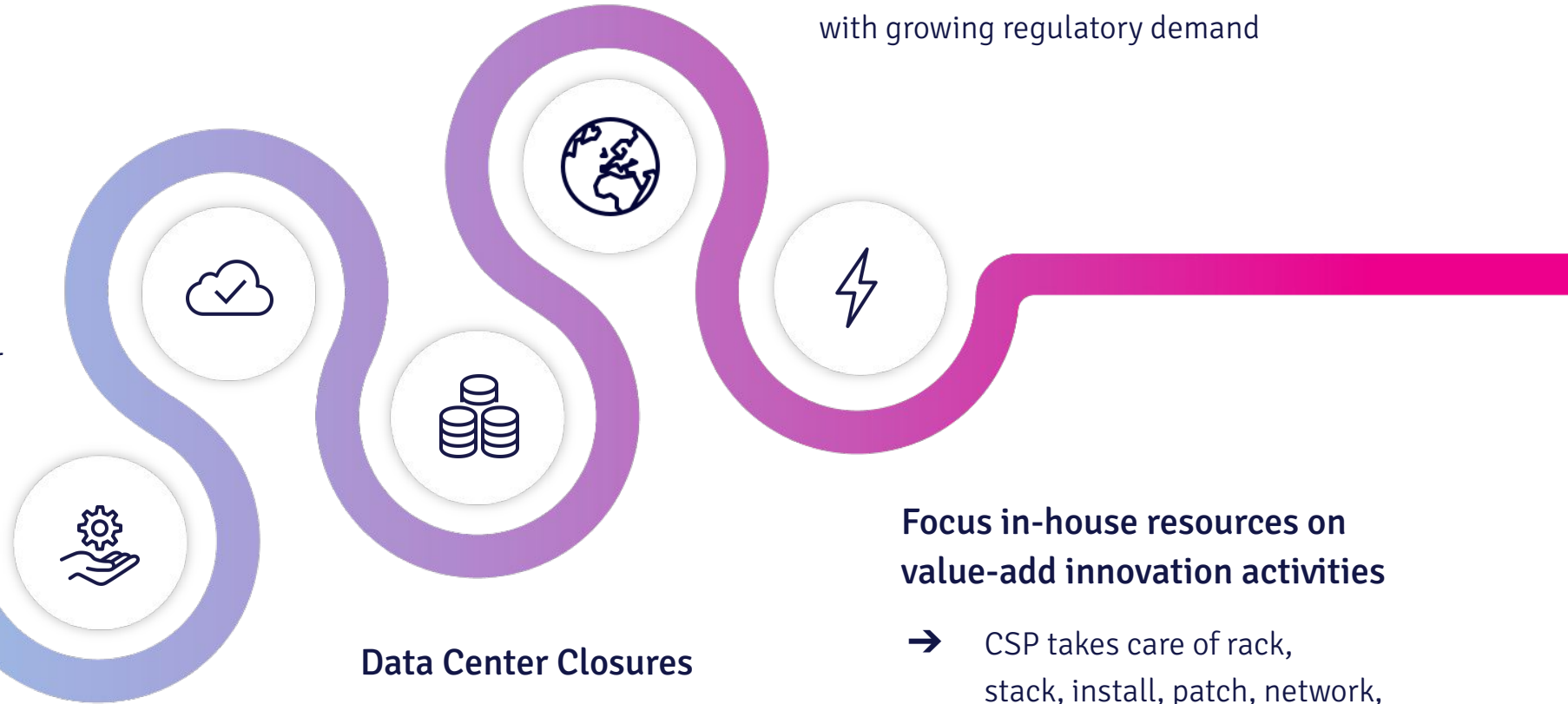
- Near impossible and prohibitively expensive to cover from in-house data centers
- Too slow to open up new markets, especially with growing regulatory demand

## Data Center Closures

- Major enterprise trend
- Move from huge long-term investments to ‘on demand’

## Focus in-house resources on value-add innovation activities

- CSP takes care of rack, stack, install, patch, network, storage, etc



# Poll Question





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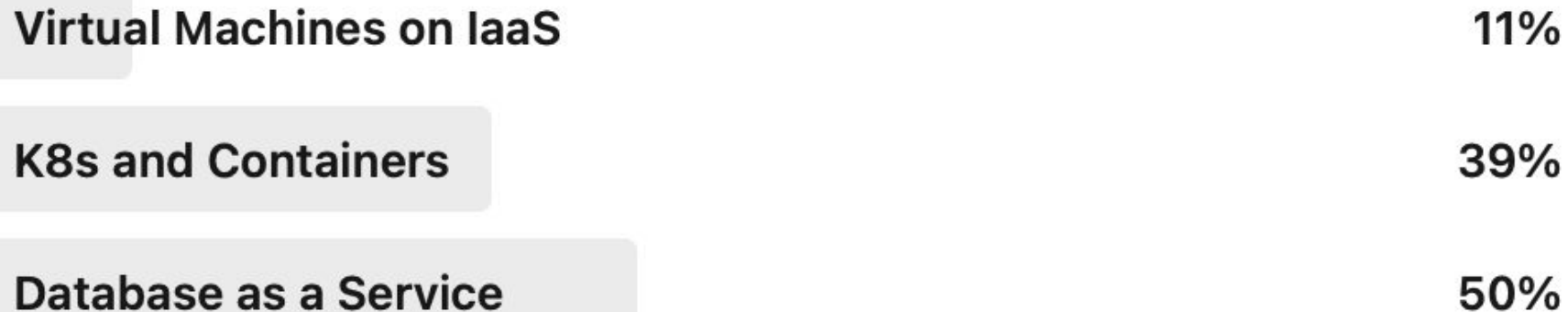


On Wednesday **Bruce Momjian** and I will have a webinar on 'Cloud Migration Paths: Kubernetes, IaaS, or DBaaS' (<https://lnkd.in/eaPXiqnP>).  
How are you planning to move your Postgres databases to the cloud?

**#postgresql #dbaas #iaas #kubernetes**

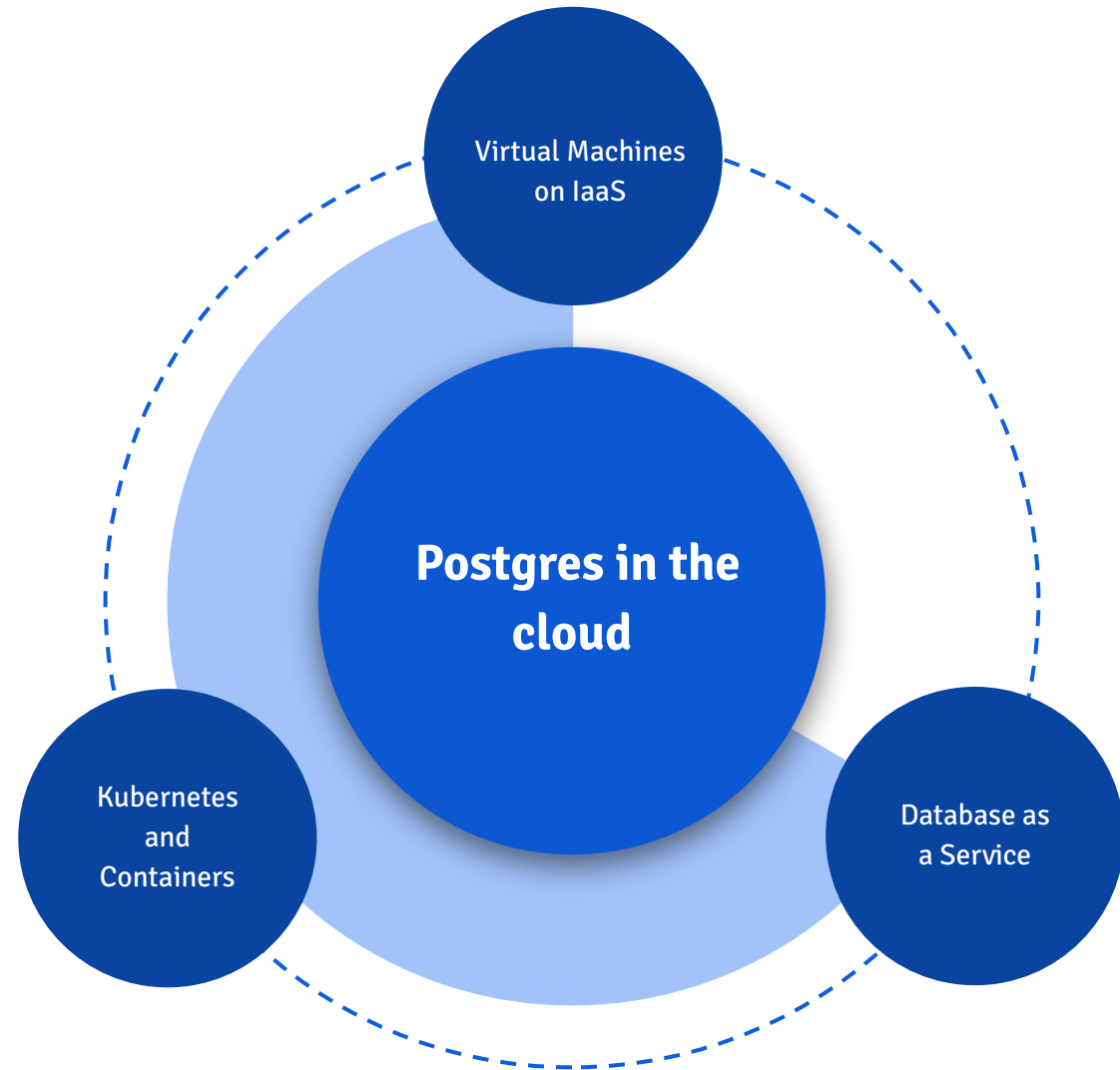
## How are you moving your databases to the cloud?

You can see how people vote. [Learn more](#)



# Three options for Postgres in the cloud

## Which is the right path for you?







Postgres VM with  
EDB Failover Manager and  
Postgres Enterprise Manager

Virtual  
Machines  
on IaaS

Postgres in the  
cloud

Kubernetes  
and  
Containers

Database  
as a  
Service

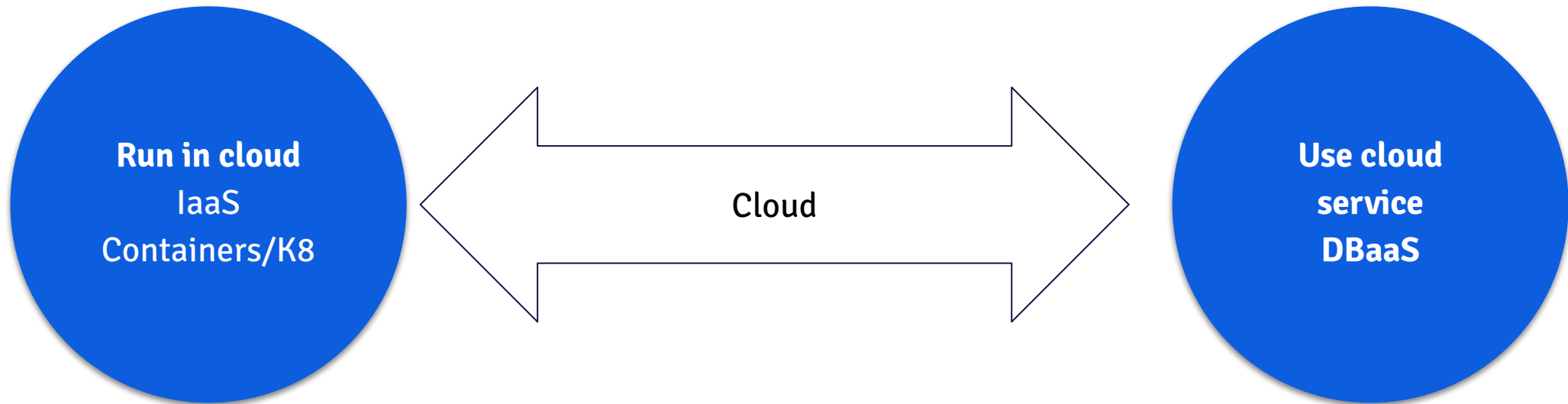
Postgres  
Database as a Service



Postgres container with  
Cloud Native Postgres Operator



# Two classes of cloud deployments



- Outsourced compute and network
- Easy to add/remove new servers, storage, etc.
- 3rd party responsible for ping, pipe and power

- Outsourced database services and operations
- Easy to add/remove new databases
- 3rd party runs my database for me
- They make sure the database is up and running, backups happen, patches are applied, etc



# What do most enterprises look for?

## Essential characteristics of a cloud service\*

- **On-demand self-service** - Automated provisioning without human intervention
- **Broad network access** - Access from anywhere from any number of platforms
- **Resource pooling** - Multi-tenant utilization of hardware and software (with boundaries) to allow for greater flexibility and greater utilization of resources vs idle servers sitting in a datacenter
- **Rapid elasticity** - Rapidly scale and release provision resources based on demand
- **Measured service** - Utilization is monitored, controlled and reported by the cloud service provider which provides transparency for both the provider and consumer - consumer is billed for what is used

\*Based on NIST Definition of Cloud Computing (NIST SP 800-144)



# IaaS, K8s, DBaaS - which one is a *Cloud Service*?



- **VMs on IaaS are not cloud services**

- Provisioning scripts, infrastructure as code, or Ansible are not enough to provide on an demand, self service, and flexible service

- **K8s is getting closer - but still not a cloud service**

- Advanced K8s operators will provide the right foundation



### Basic Install

Automated application provisioning and configuration management

### Seamless Upgrades

Patch and minor version upgrades supported

### Full Lifecycle

App lifecycle, storage lifecycle (backup, failure recovery)

### Deep Insights

Metrics, alerts, log processing and workload analysis

### Auto Pilot

Horizontal/ vertical scaling, auto config tuning, abnormal detection, scheduling tuning



- Infrastructure provisioning and dealing with infrastructure events is not part of the operator evolution

- **DBaaS provides the essential characteristics**

- Self-service, on demand, rapid elasticity, measured service
- Tradeoff between self-service and control



	VMs on IaaS	K8s and containers	DBaaS
Examples	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ Postgres with RepMgr on EC2</li> <li>→ EDB Postgres Advanced Server with EFM and PEM on EC2</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ Postgres with Patroni operator on EKS</li> <li>→ EDB Cloud Native Postgres on AKS</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ RDS Postgres</li> <li>→ EDB BigAnimal</li> </ul>
On demand	No (Infrastructure as code will help)	Improved (Level III+ K8s operator automates failover, upgrades, backup/recovery)	Yes
Broad network access	Yes	Yes	Yes
Resource pooling	No	Yes	Yes
Rapid elasticity	No (Infrastructure as code will help)	Improved (Level V K8s operator will address database elasticity)	Yes
Measured service	No (IaaS only)	Improved (Level IV K8s operator will address database metering)	Yes



# Summary of tradeoffs

	<b>Advantages</b>	<b>Things to consider</b>
<b>VMs on IaaS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Full control</li><li>● Ultimate configurability and tuning at the database and OS level</li><li>● Any extensions and versions</li><li>● Highest performance and lowest 3rd party cost</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Need infrastructure DBAs</li><li>● Needs 24 X 7 monitoring</li><li>● You are responsible for configuration and day to day operation</li><li>● Minimal automation</li></ul>
<b>K8s on Containers</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● K8s operator automates many lifecycle tasks (installation, failover, backup/recovery, upgrade, ...)</li><li>● Upgrades under your control</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Works best when application is containerized and K8s is used for the whole stack</li><li>● Configuration options are limited</li><li>● Need K8s expertise and you have to buy into the K8s way of doing things</li><li>● Needs 24 X 7 monitoring</li></ul>
<b>Managed Database Service</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● SRE team monitors and operates</li><li>● SRE applies upgrades</li><li>● You focus on innovation, they keep the lights on</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Relinquish significant control</li><li>● No OS tuning</li><li>● Limited database extensions</li></ul>



# Key considerations when moving a database to the cloud

- Determine database deployment requirements Ansible, Puppet, Chef, containers, K8
- How will data be moved? replication?
- How will swichover be handled? Downtime?
- How will middleware, monitoring, load balancing, backup, failover be handled?
- If DBaaS is chosen, will it have the needed features, extensions, and flexibility?
- How can you determine the proper cloud resource sizing?
- Getting your data out of the cloud
- <https://www.enterprisedb.com/blog/cloud-migration-move-database-from-on-premise-to-cloud>



# Cloud Migration Paths

- Multiple paths to take Postgres to the cloud
  - VMs with Infrastructure as Code
  - Containers with K8s
  - Managed Postgres Service (DBaaS)
- Understanding the pros and cons of each path is key
- The choice depends on the application and the enterprise strategy
- Some considerations are shared, no matter which path is chosen





# Resources

- Blog: [Migrating Postgres to the Cloud](#)
- Blog: [Harness the Full Potential of Postgres in the Cloud](#)
- Blog: [5 Cloud Architecture Considerations](#)
- Infrastructure as code for Postgres: [\(Ansible Galaxy\)](#)
- K8s and containers: [Cloud Native Postgres](#)

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