# Event-driven autoscaling through Apache Kafka Source, KEDA, and Knative Integration

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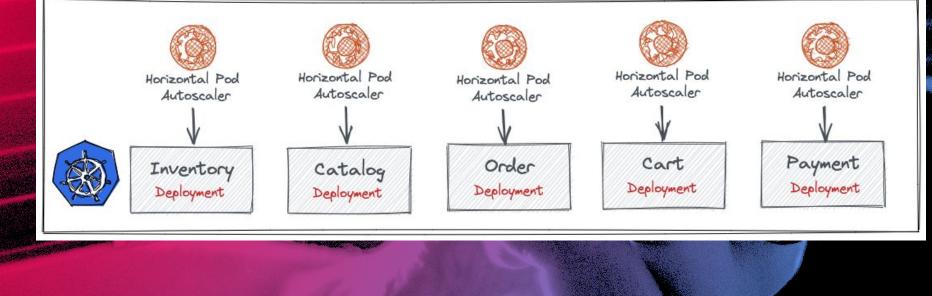
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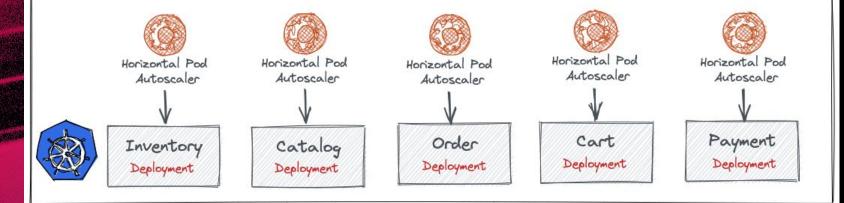
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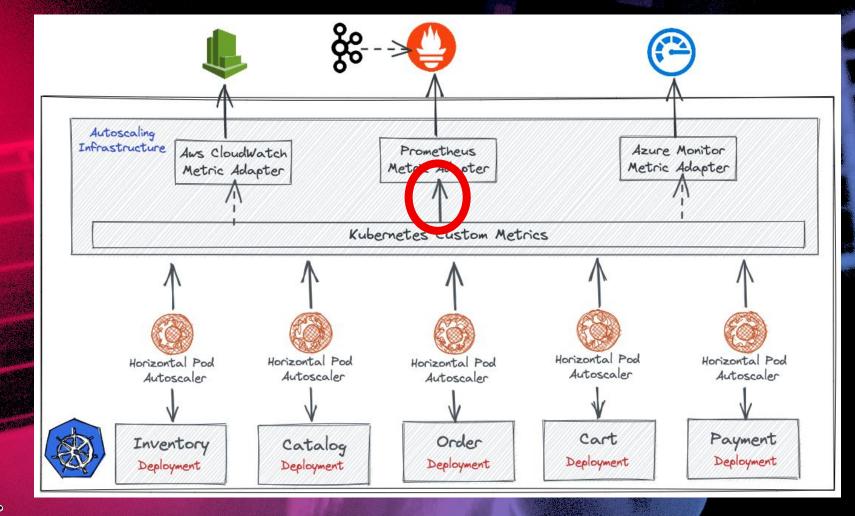












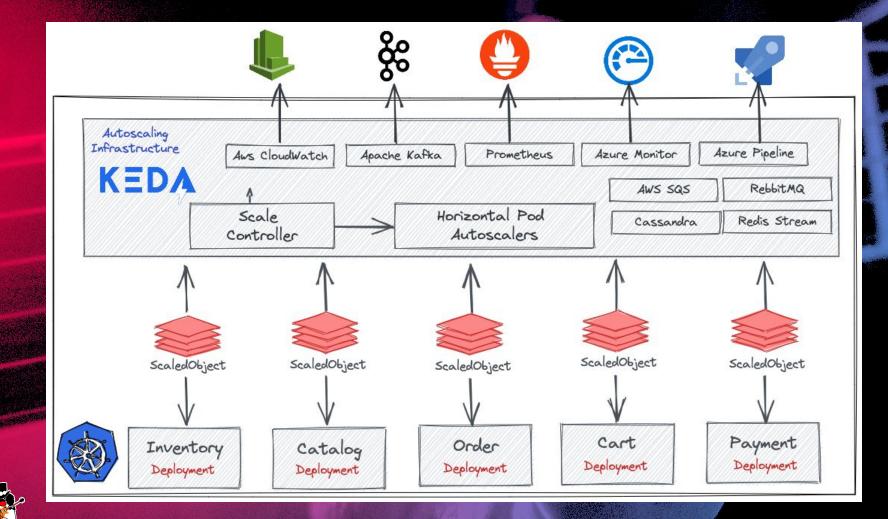


Project aims to make Kubernetes Event Driven Autoscaling dead simple Started as a partnership between Red Hat and Microsoft (Feb 2019) Donated into CNCF as a Sandbox project (Mar 2020) KEDA 2.0 brought major redesign (Nov 2020) • Promoting to CNCF Incubation project (Aug 2021) • KEDA 2.8 has been released recently (Sep 2022) https://keda.sh



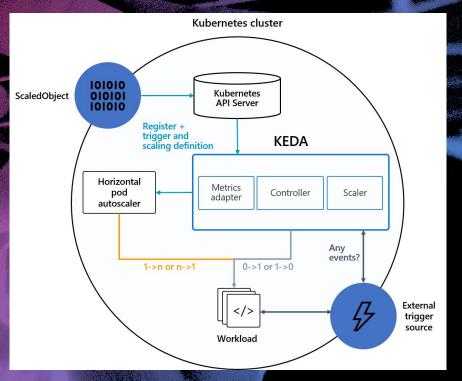
- Automatically scale Kubernetes Deployments, Jobs & Custom Resources
  Provides 56+ built-in scalers, but users can build own external scalers
  Kafka, Prometheus, RabbitMQ, AWS services, Azure Services,...
  Scale resources based on events in the target scalers, eg. messages in Kafka topic
- KEDA does not manipulate the data, just scales the workload
  Installation through OLM Operator or Helm





### HOW DOES KEDA WORKS?

 KEDA is built on top of Kubernetes Use ScaledObject/ScaledJob to define scaling metadata Manages workloads to scale to 0 Registers itself as k8s Metric Adapter  $\mathbf{O}$  Provides metrics for Horizontal Pod Autoscaler (HPA) to scale on





#### SCALEDOBJECT

Can target Deployment, StatefulSet or Custom Resource with scale
Multiple scalers can be defined as triggers for the target workload
User can specify HPA related settings to tweak the scaling behavior



# How about Serverless Autoscaling?



## KEDA

- Operates on standard k8s resources
- Can scale existing deployed apps
- Pull based approach
- Doesn't manage data delivery

• K8s Horizontal Pod Autoscaler (HPA)

• Focus is on event driven autoscaling

Operates on Knative Service
Existing apps must be converted
Push based approach
Manages data delivery (Eventing)
Knative Autoscaler
Demand-based autoscaling (HTTP)

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#### USE CASE #1

APPLICATION CONSUMING MESSAGES FROM KAFKA TOPIC

Application is deployed as standard Kubernetes Deployment
Can be autoscaled only via standard k8s HPA: CPU & Memory
No event-driven autoscaling



Kubernetes Deployment Consumes messages

Application





# USE CASE #1 REDESIGNED TO UTILIZE KEDA





**Kubernetes** Deployment Application

Scrapes metrics

KED/

Scales

Consumes messages





#### USE CASE #3 REDESIGNED TO UTILIZE KNATIVE



Consumes

Application needs to be rewritten from Kafka consumer to CloudEvents consumer
Application needs to be redeployed as

**Knative** Service

Needs Knative Eventing Kafka Source

 Event-driven autoscaling enabled through Knative Autoscaler

messages **Knative Eventing** Kafka Source Knative Sends Service CloudEvents Application **Monitors** load n scales





# Event-driven How about Serverless Autoscaling?



#### KEDA AND KNATIVE INTEGRATION

 KEDA can be used to autoscale Knative Eventing Infrastructure • Knative Eventing Sources, Channels Autoscaling allows infrastructure to handle higher loads or save 0 resources (by scaling to 0) when idle • KEDA could be potentially used to scale Knative Service, in case users don't want to utilize Knative Eventing for event driven workloads (currently not implemented)



#### USE CASE #4

#### REDESIGNED TO UTILIZE KNATIVE AND KEDA

Knative Service

**Application** 

Application deployed as Knative Service and autoscaled by Knative
Knative Eventing Infrastructure -Kafka Source is autoscaled by KEDA



Consumes messages

Scale.

Knative Eventing

Kafka Source

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Sends

Monitors load & scales

**CloudEvents** 

Scrapes metrics

**KED** 





#### KNATIVE-SANDBOX/EVENTING-AUTOSCALETZ-KEDA

- KafkaSource
- AWS SQS Source
- Redis Stream Source
- RabbitMQ Broker

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# Kafka Source keda.autoscaling.knative.dev/kafkaLagThreshold: "10"

# AWS SQS Source keda.autoscaling.knative.dev/awsSqsQueueLength: "5"

# Redis Stream Source

eda.autoscaling.knative.dev/redisStreamPendingEntriesCount: "5



#### TAKEAWAYS

KEDA – Kubernetes event driven autoscaling dead simple

• KEDA – pull model vs. Knative – push model

• KEDA – Standard Kubernetes resources vs. Knative Service

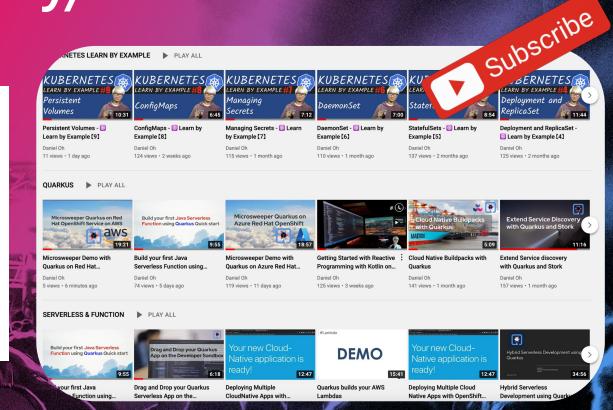
• KEDA can autoscale Knative Eventing Infrastructure

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