



Making The Most of Helm 3

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About Codefresh

- Docker based CI/CD solution
- Native support for Docker, Helm, Kubernetes deployments
- UI and tooling for Helm
- Helm Contributors
- Includes built-in Helm repository
- 50,000+ users

The screenshot displays the Codefresh web interface. On the left is a teal sidebar with navigation options: BUILD (TEST, DEPLOY), Pipelines, Builds, MONITORING (Kubernetes, Helm Releases, Docker Swarm), RESOURCES (Images, Repositories, Helm Charts), and CONFIGURATION (Account Settings, User Settings). The main area shows a pipeline execution for 'Pipeline Name' (Release a new update to prod. Must be updated! asd...). The pipeline is 'COMPLETED' and consists of three phases: INITIALIZATION, BUILD, and UNIT. Each phase contains three 'GIT CLONE Cloning main repository' steps, all of which are successful. Below the pipeline view is a 'Helm Releases' table with the following data:

Release Name	Cluster	Revision	Modified	Chart	Status
example-voting-app	sales-demo@FirstKubernetes	38	13 days ago	example-voting-app-1.7.1	DEPLOYED
chartmuseum	sales-demo@FirstKubernetes	1	a year ago	chartmuseum-1.8.3	DEPLOYED
cert-manager	sales-demo@FirstKubernetes	1	a year ago	cert-manager-v0.5.2	DEPLOYED
Ingress-nginx	sales-demo@FirstKubernetes	1	a year ago	nginx-ingress-1.1.2	DEPLOYED
clair-demo	sales-demo@FirstKubernetes	7	9 months ago	clair-0.1.4	DEPLOYED

Agenda



- Helm Overview
- What's New in Helm 3
- Migrating
- Demos

<https://github.com/codefresh-contrib/helm-sample-app>

CONGRATS

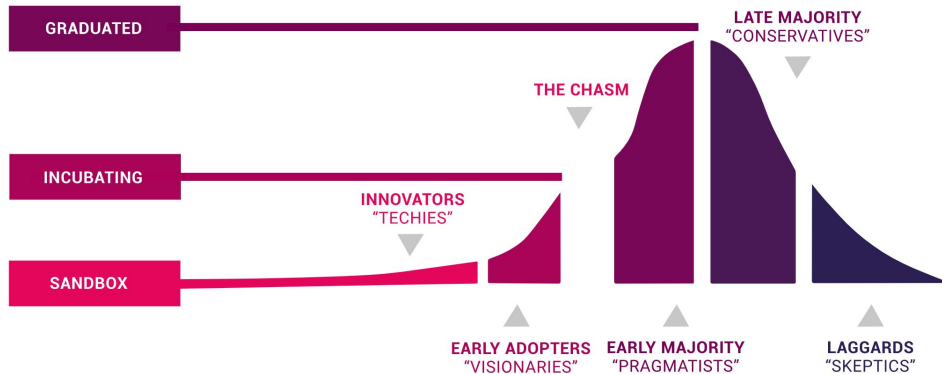
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Graduated Projects

- Passed independent, 3rd party security audit.
- Supermajority vote from TOC
- Committers from 2 orgs
- “Crossed the chasm”



https://github.com/cncf/toc/blob/master/process/graduation_criteria.adoc



**If Kubernetes is the operating
system of the internet,**

**then Helm is a package
manager for that OS.**

bitnami/drupal
stable/datadog
billimek/cloudflare-dyndns
banzaicloud-stable/clair
stable/chartmuseum
nginx-stable/nginx-ingress

helm install

stable/wordpress

bitnami/grafana
stable/prometheus
stable/fluentd
stable/kong
stable/logstash
stable/mysql

Why use Helm?

- Helm automatically maintains a versioned history of your releases
 - If something goes wrong, it's as simple as running `helm rollback`
- Combined with CI/CD, you can easily integrate actions into your pipelines, i.e.
 - Before installation begins
 - After an upgrade has finished



Benefits of using Helm

- Simple install and upgrade
- Tracks versions and changes
- Easy rollbacks
- Distribute dependencies
- Templating with dynamic values

What is a Helm Chart?

- A collection of manifests that describe a related Kubernetes resource
 - **Templates** go through the Helm template rendering engine
 - **values.yaml** defines the default values for your chart templates
 - Charts can be packaged/published and made available to other users in **repositories**
 - Each time a chart is installed, a new **release** is created

```
mychart/  
  Chart.yaml  
  values.yaml  
  charts/  
  templates/  
  ...
```

How to use Helm Charts

- Helm charts can be installed using `helm install` command by one of several methods:
- A chart repository (`helm install <release-name> stable/foo`)
- A local chart archive (`helm install foo foo-0.1.1.tgz`)
- An unpacked chart directory (`helm install foo path/to/foo`)
- A full URL (`helm install foo https://example.com/charts/foo-1.2.3.tgz`)

```
mychart/  
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  ...
```

Push vs. Install

- Pushing a chart will only push a chart to a Helm repository (and automatically package it)
- Installing a chart will create a brand new release from a Helm chart



New in Helm 3!

- Removal of Tiller
 - Now, only the Helm binary is necessary
 - Security is now on a per user basis
 - Chart installation information stored in Kubernetes itself
 - Release names are now scoped to the release namespace (instead of the Tiller namespace)



New in Helm 3!

- 3-way Strategic Merge Patches
 - On rollbacks/upgrades, only 2-way merge patch (old chart → new chart)
 - Helm 3 considers the old chart → live state → new chart



New in Helm 3!

- Templates do not use Lua
- Secrets as the default storage driver for release information
- JSONSchema Chart Validation
- Namespaces not automatically created for releases

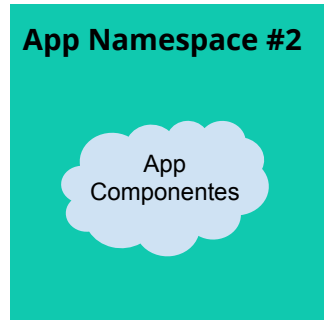
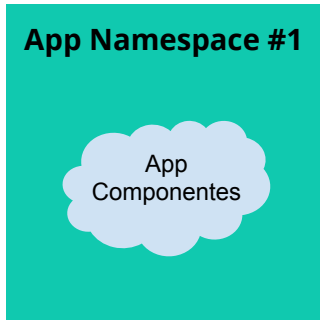
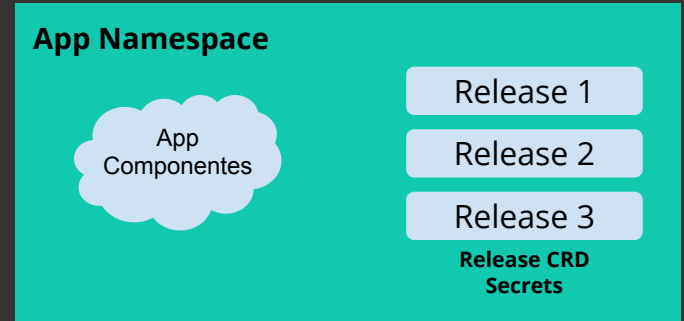
... and [more!](#)



Helm 2



Helm 3



```
kubectl get secrets --field-selector type=helm.sh/release.v1
```

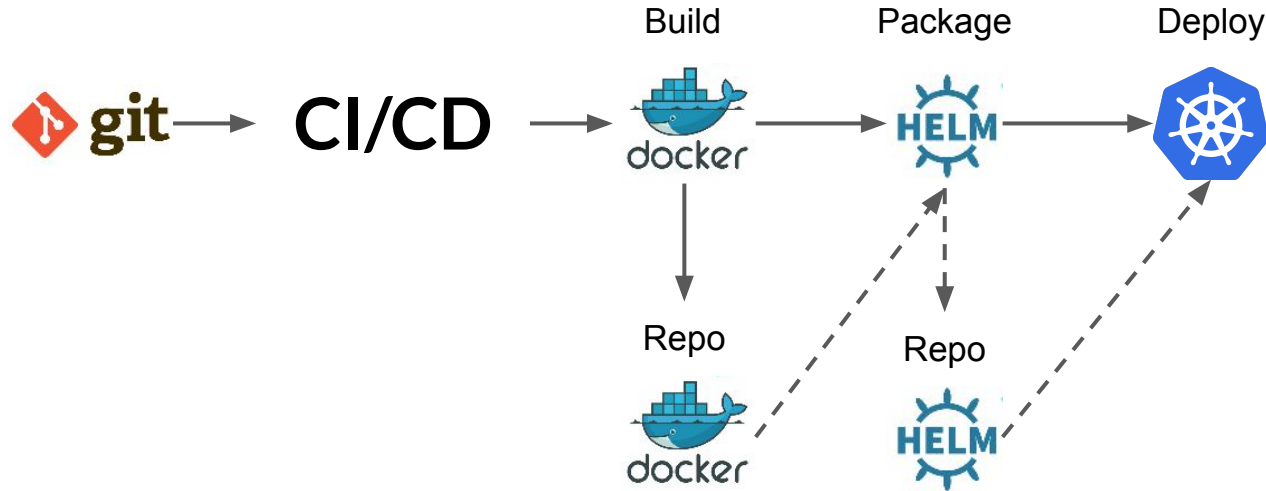
NAME	TYPE	DATA	AGE
sh.helm.release.v1.plex.v1	helm.sh/release.v1	1	6d19h
sh.helm.release.v1.plex.v3	helm.sh/release.v1	1	6d1h
sh.helm.release.v1.plex.v2	helm.sh/release.v1	1	6d6h
sh.helm.release.v1.plex.v4	helm.sh/release.v1	1	6d1h
sh.helm.release.v1.minecraft.v1	helm.sh/release.v1	1	29h

Demo: Migrating from Helm 2 to Helm 3

<https://github.com/helm/helm-2to3>



Helm CI/CD Workflows



Demo: Using Codefresh Helm deployment step



Related Resources

- [Helm Documentation](#)
- [Codefresh / Helm Documentation](#)
- [Helm Sample Application](#)



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