

distributing, managing and  
monitoring a large number  
of devices

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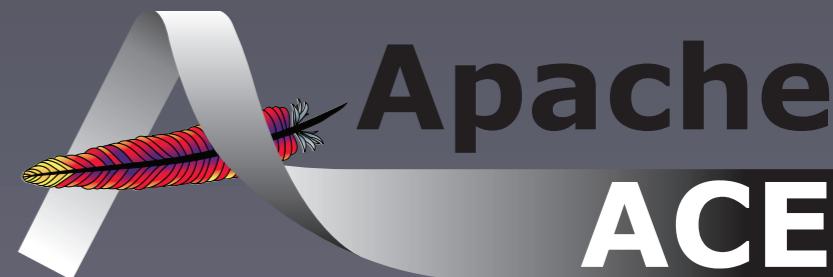
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$ whoami
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$ id karl_pauls
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id: karl_pauls: no such user
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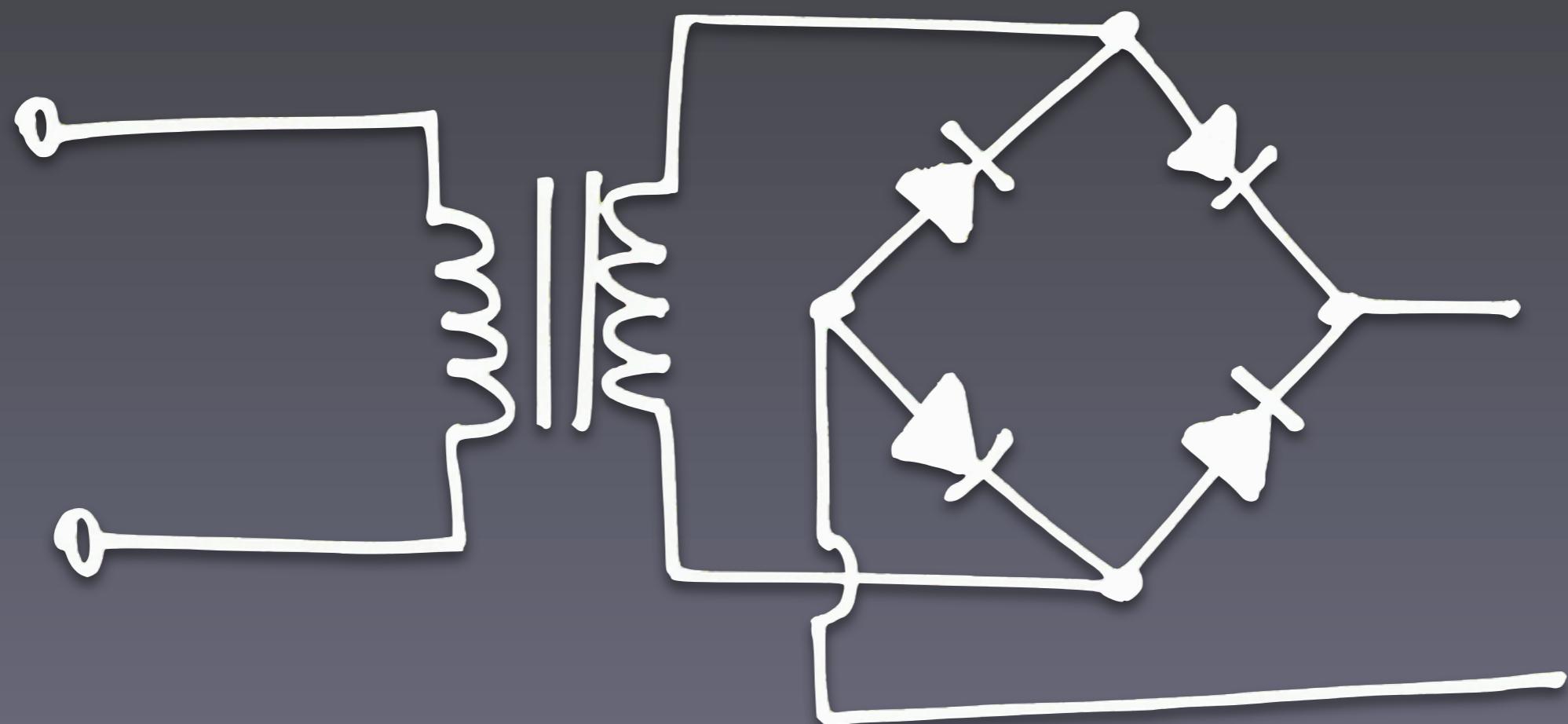
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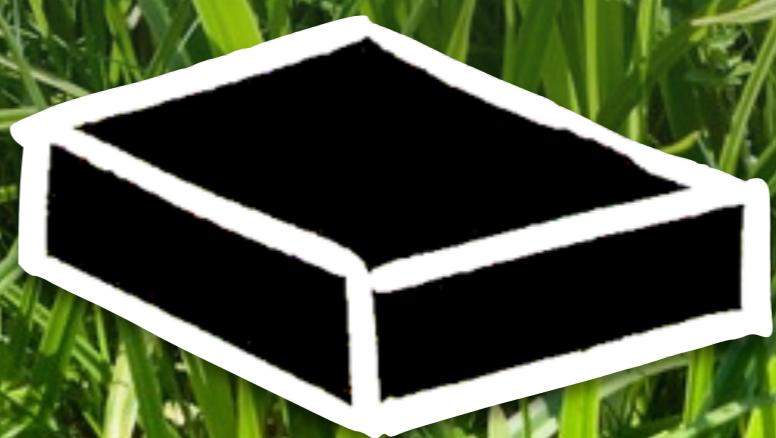
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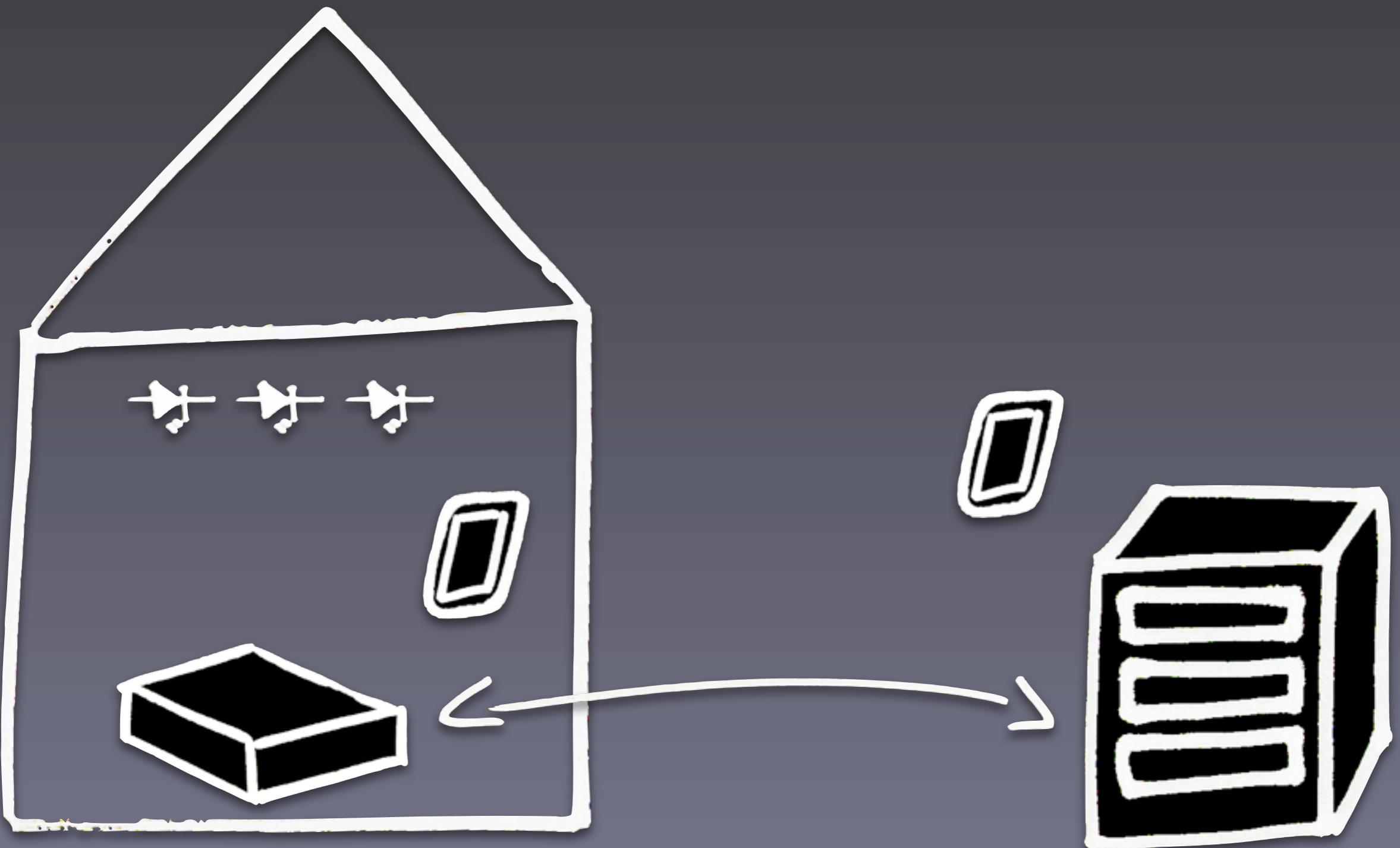






# Home Energy Systems



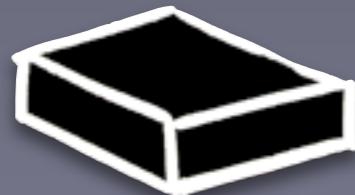


User software:

Linux

Embedded:

ARM



Linux



# OSGi

# the requirements

- Embedded device
  - Lots of them!
  - Custom hardware
- Remote control
- Data collection & synchronization
- Extensible

- Dynamic system
  - Changing requirements
  - Changing technology
  - Changing deployment
- Working with hardware
  - Using hardware
  - Updating firmware

# device drivers

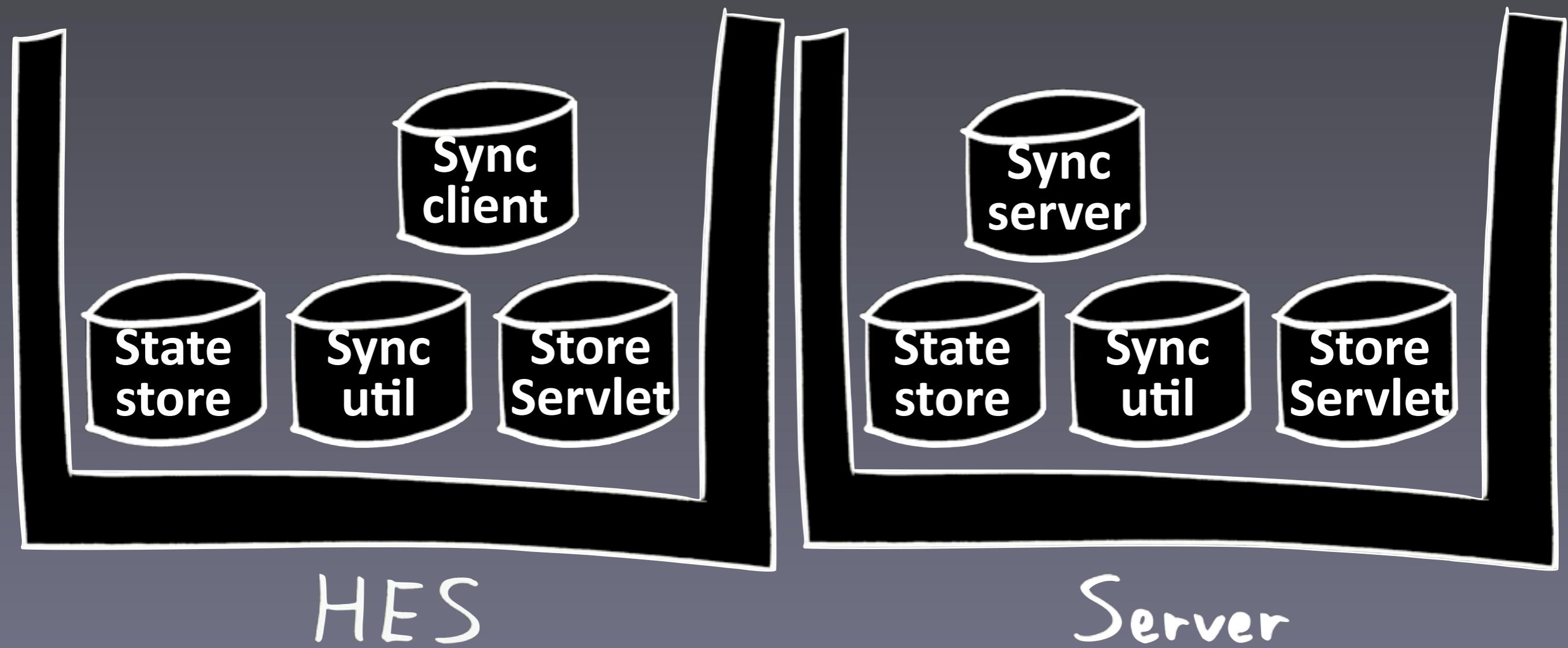


# device drivers

Bundle-NativeCode:

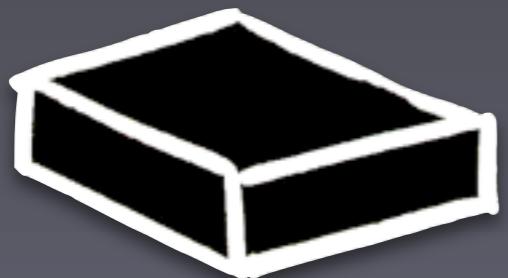
win32.dll; osname=WindowsXP; processor=x86 ,  
liblinux.so; osname=linux

# reuse functionality



# Let's deploy!

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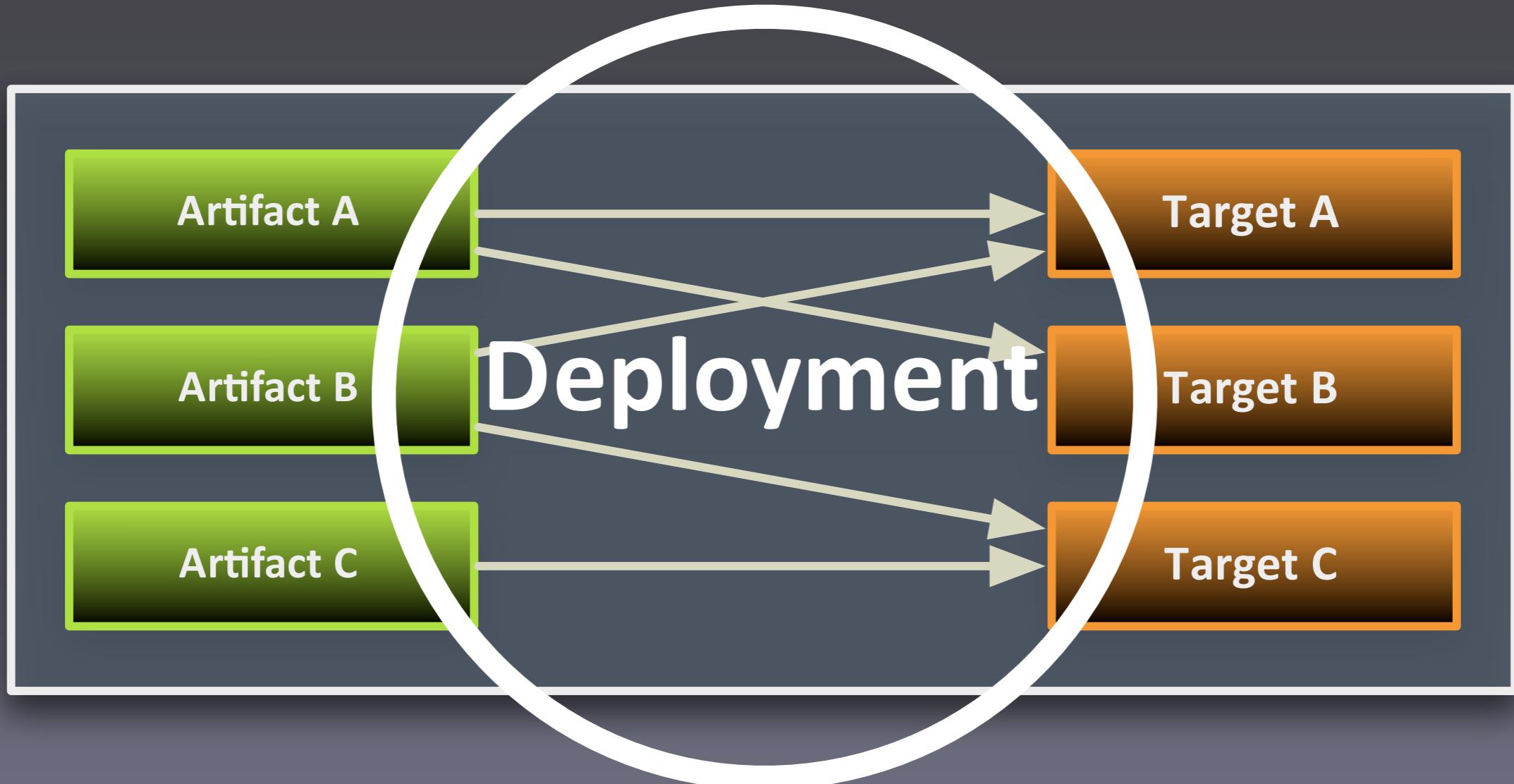


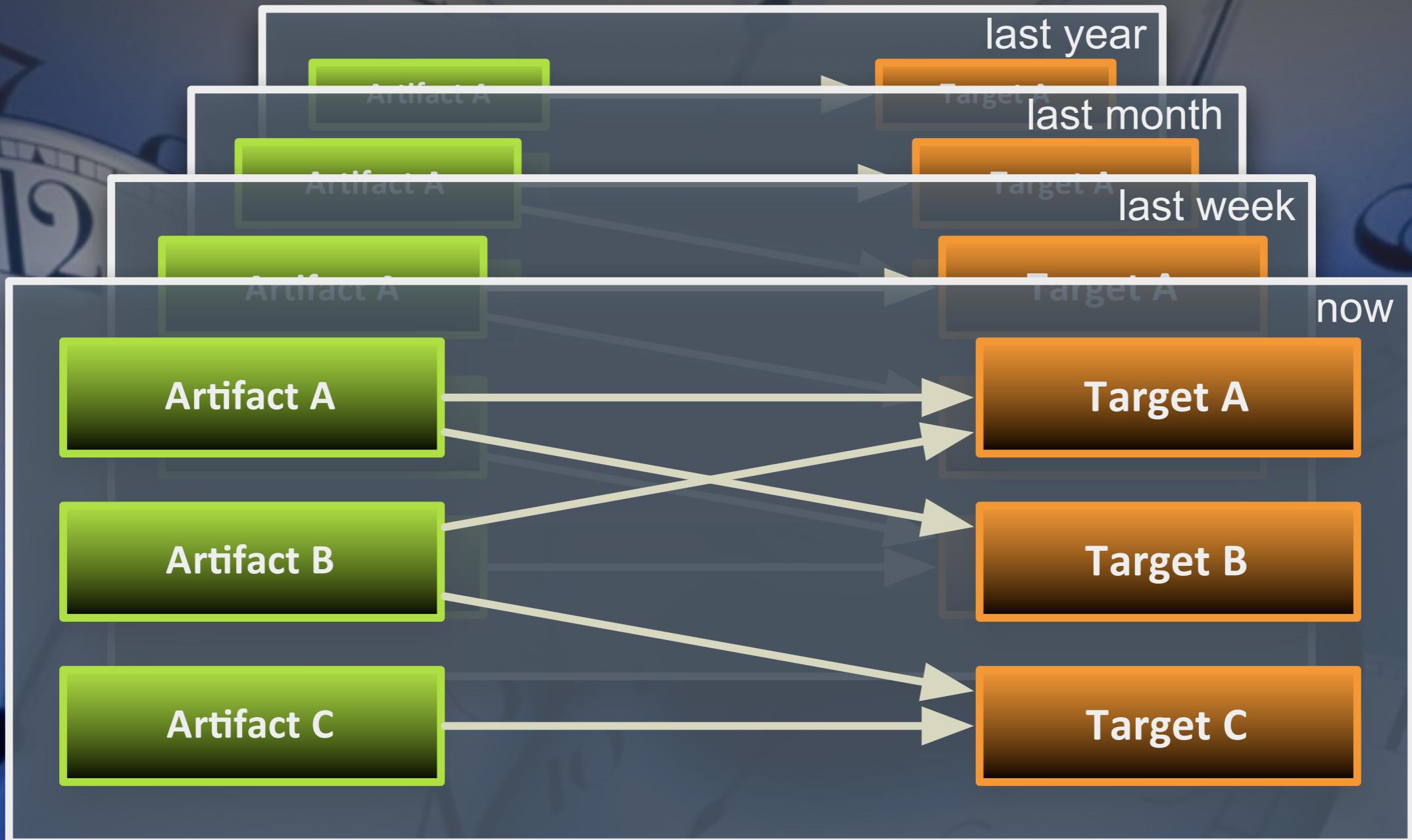
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**Apache**

**ACE**

- Started in incubator on april 24th 2009
- Software distribution framework based on OSGi
- 12 committers
- working codebase
- <http://incubator.apache.org/ace/>



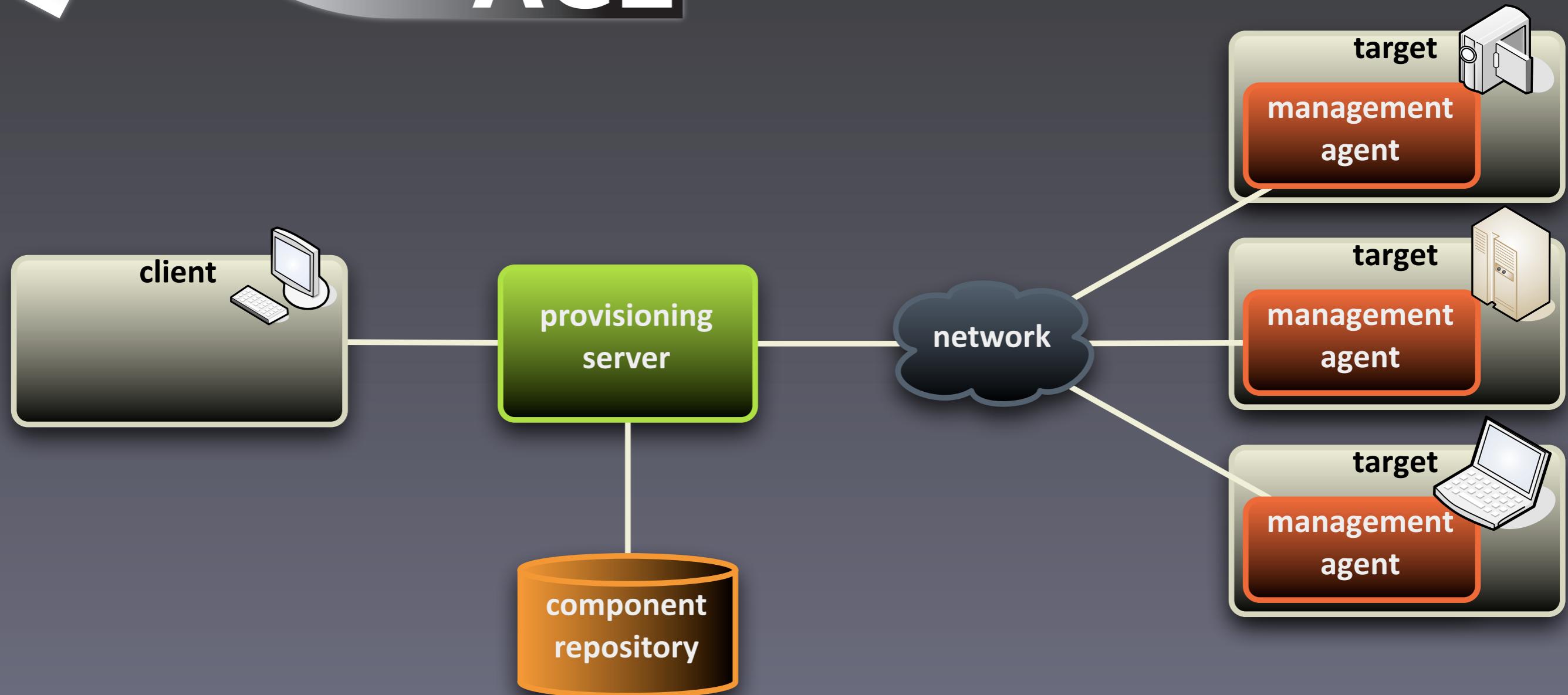


# why?

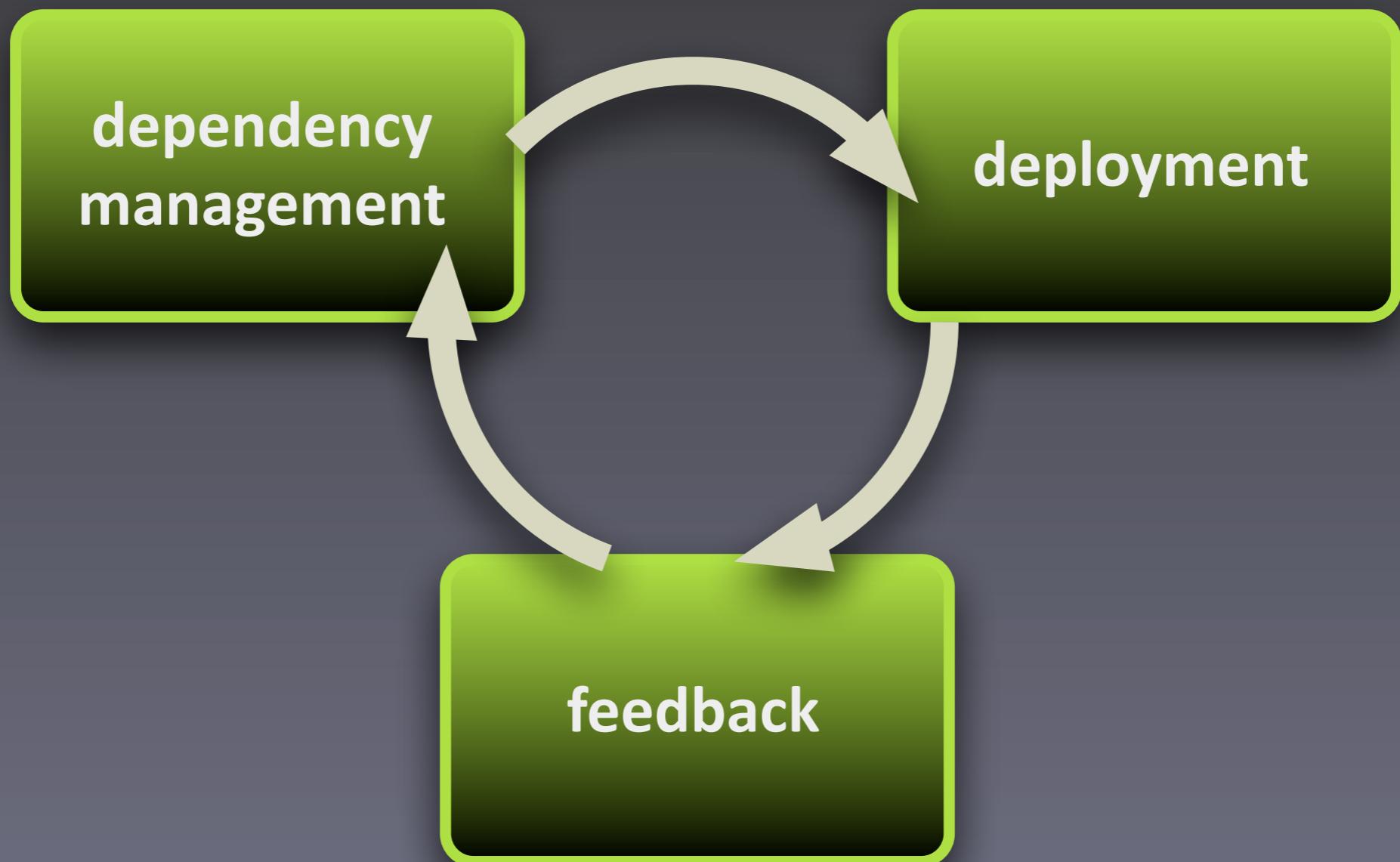
- Automate deployment
- Insight into who uses what
- History of each system
- Consistent development, testing, production
- Basis for several possible extensions

# Apache ACE

## Topology



# High level overview



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dependency  
management

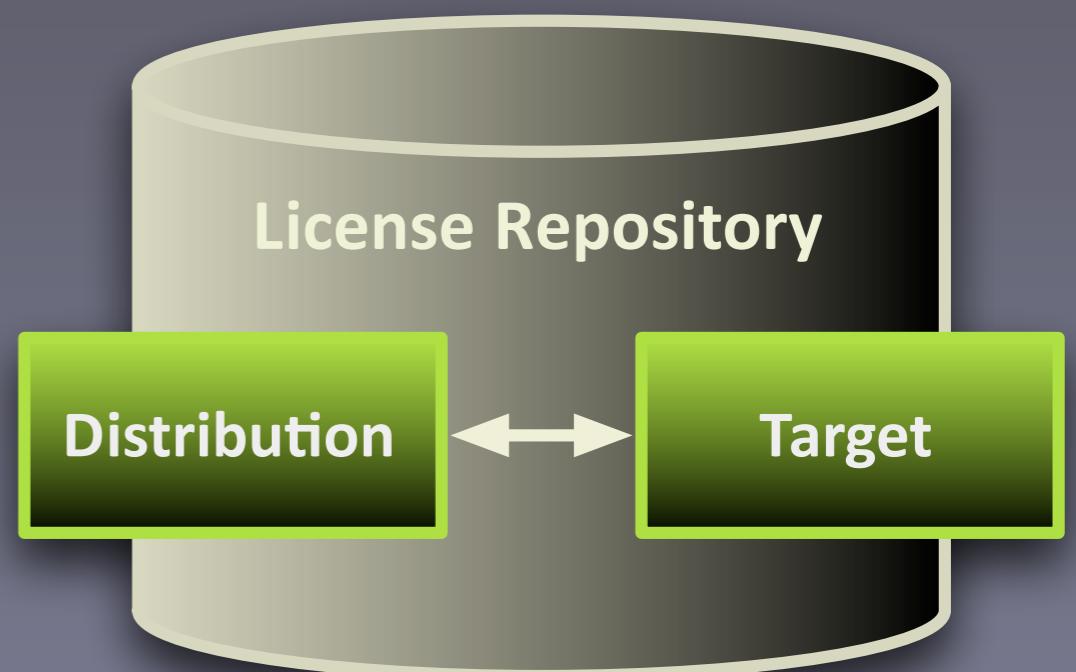
# Organizing artifacts

- group artifacts: makes them manageable
- two levels: feature and distribution
- Analogy: IKEA catalog
- data is kept in “store repository”



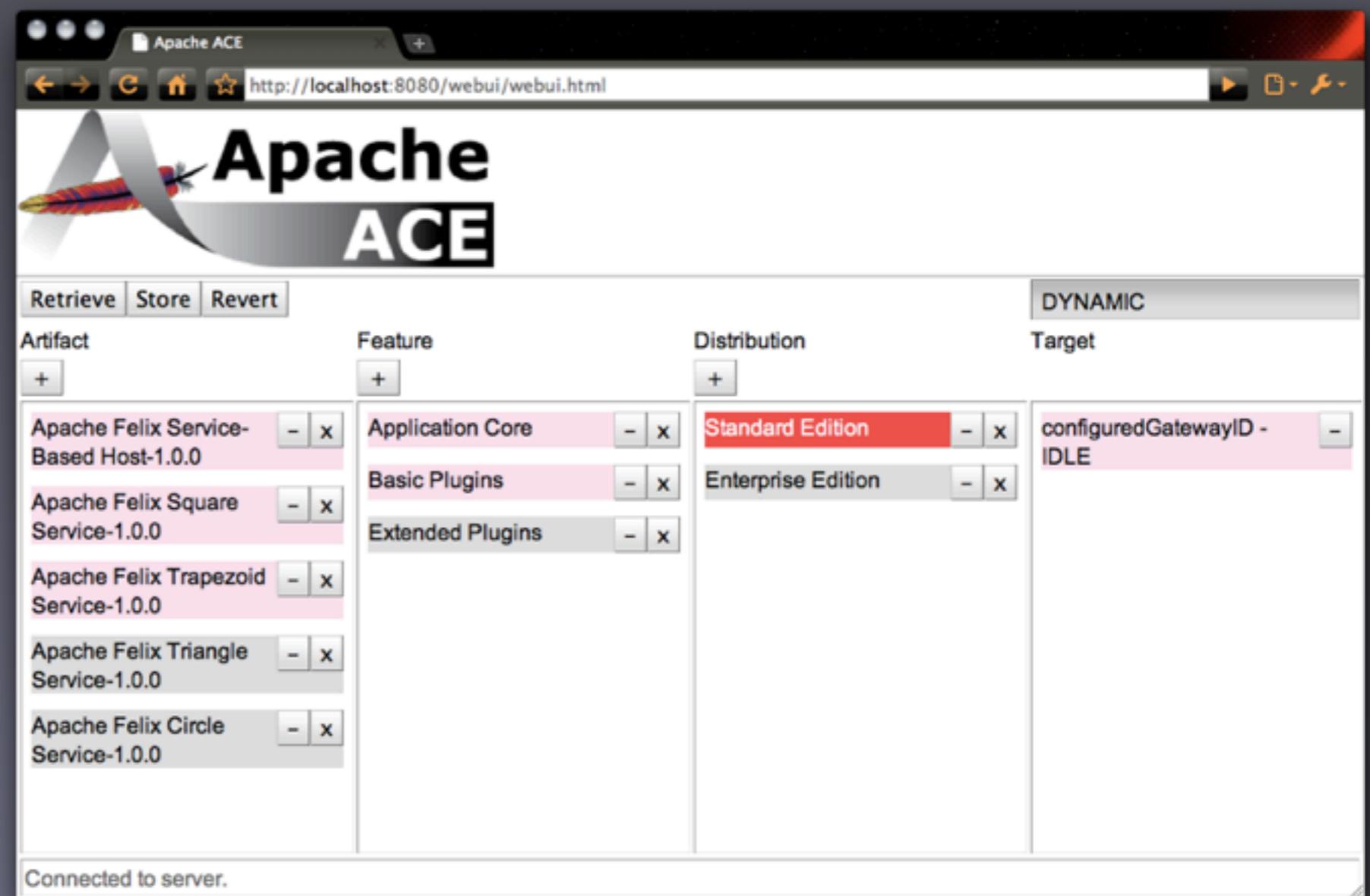
# Mapping them onto targets

- mapping distributions to targets
- sometimes done by an external system
- data kept in “license repository”

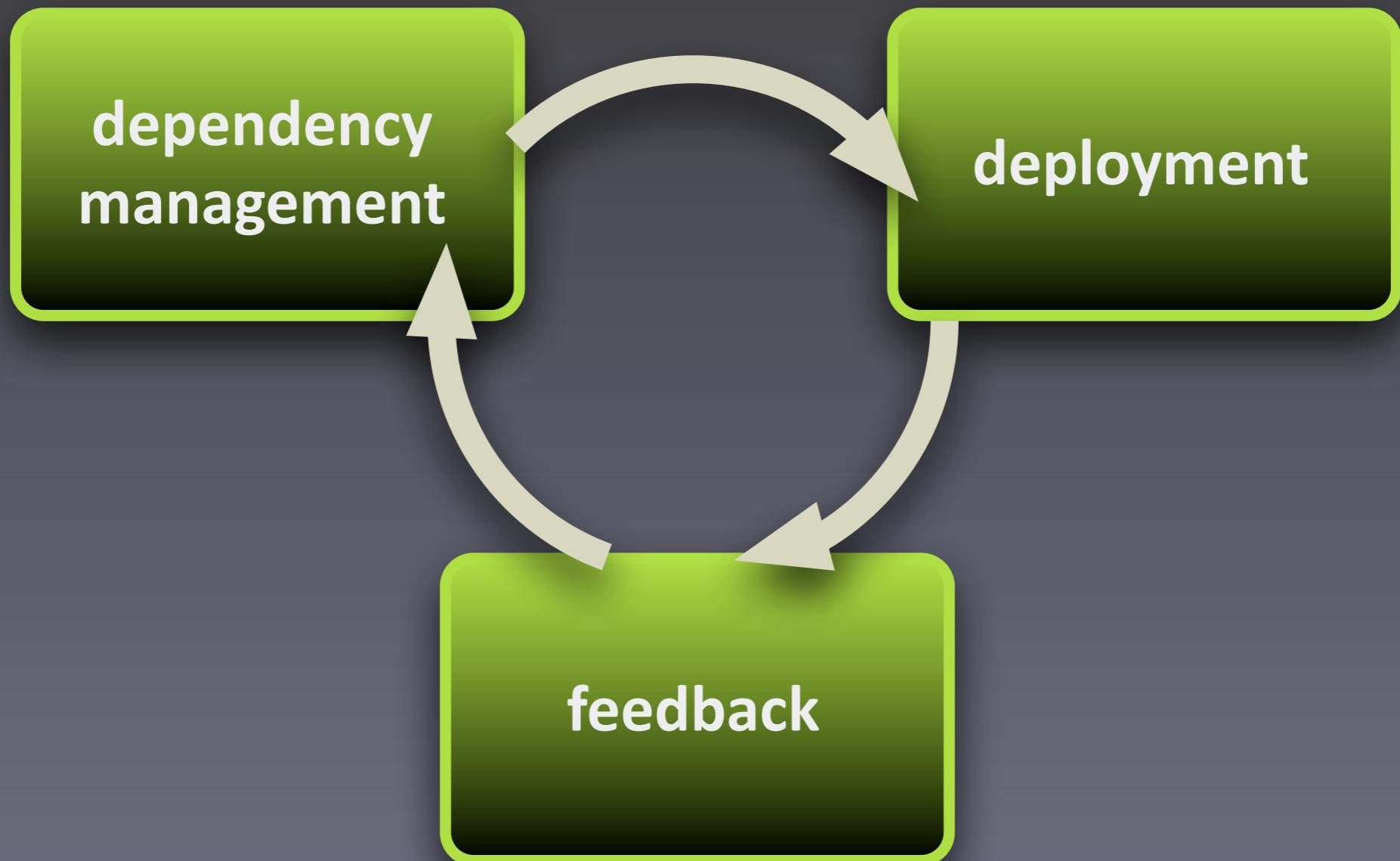


# User Interface

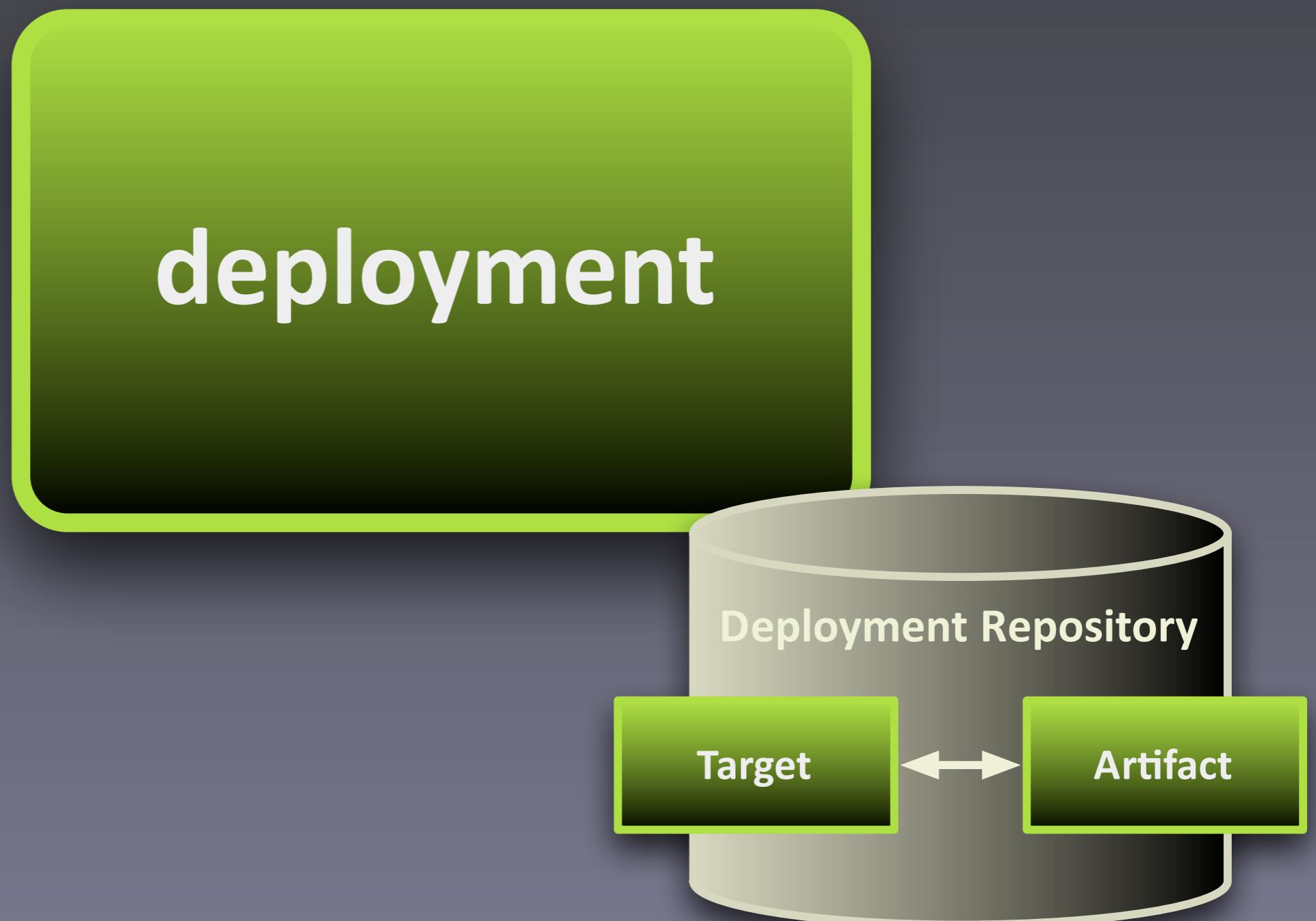
- retrieve, modify and store
- interact with OBR



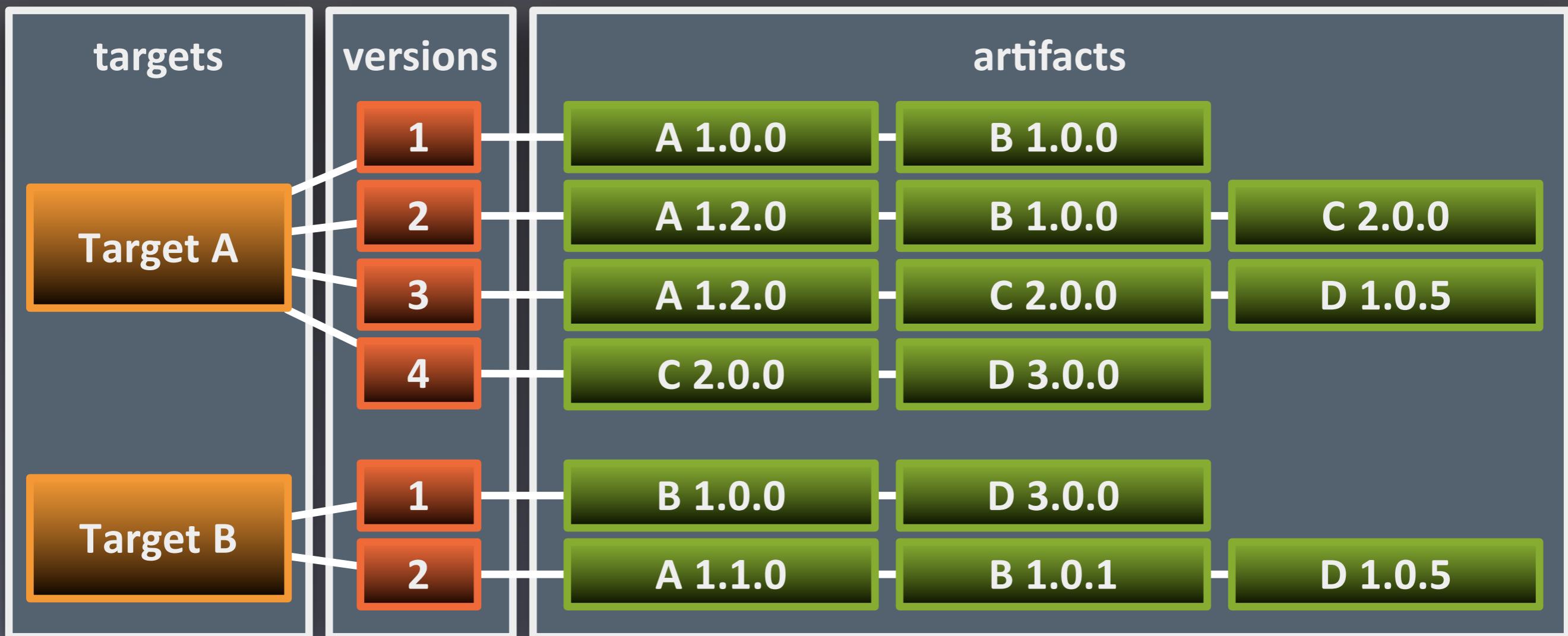
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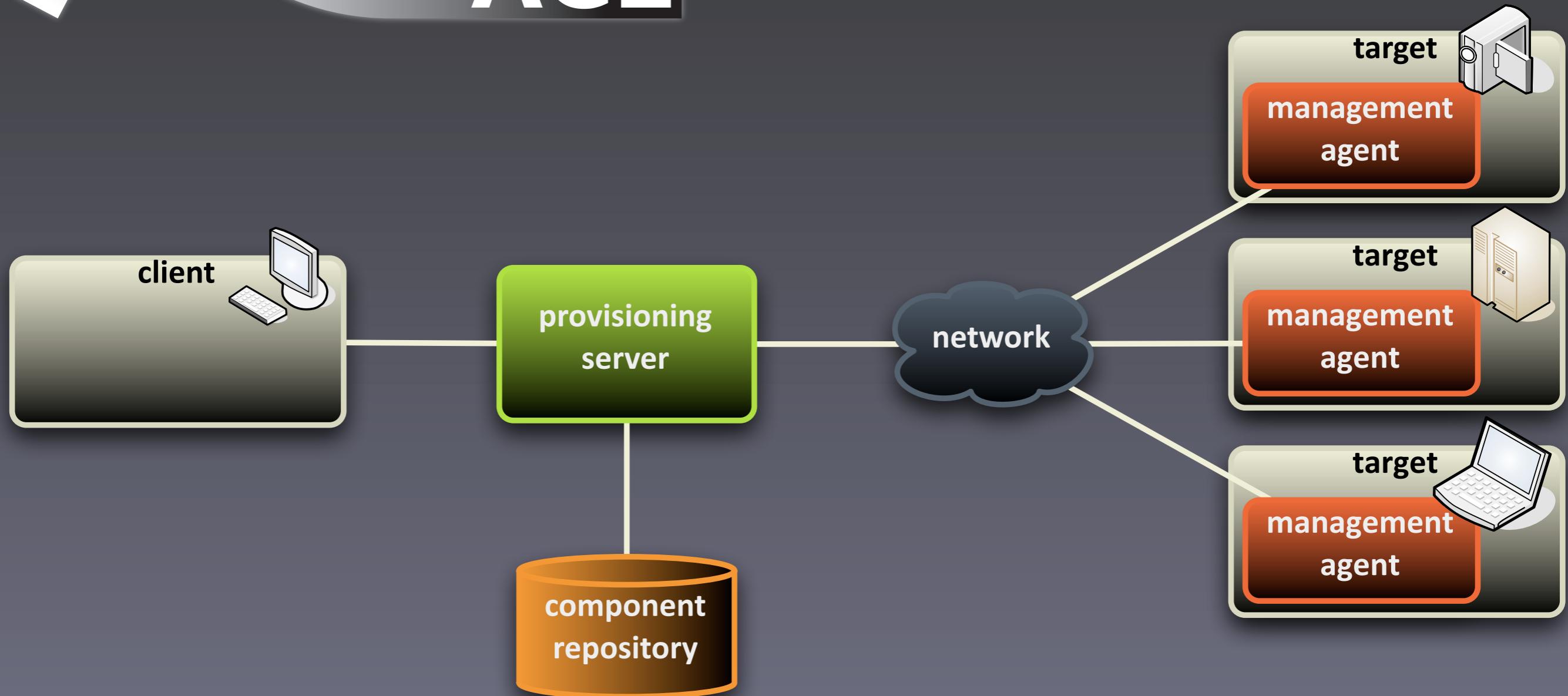


# Deployment Repository



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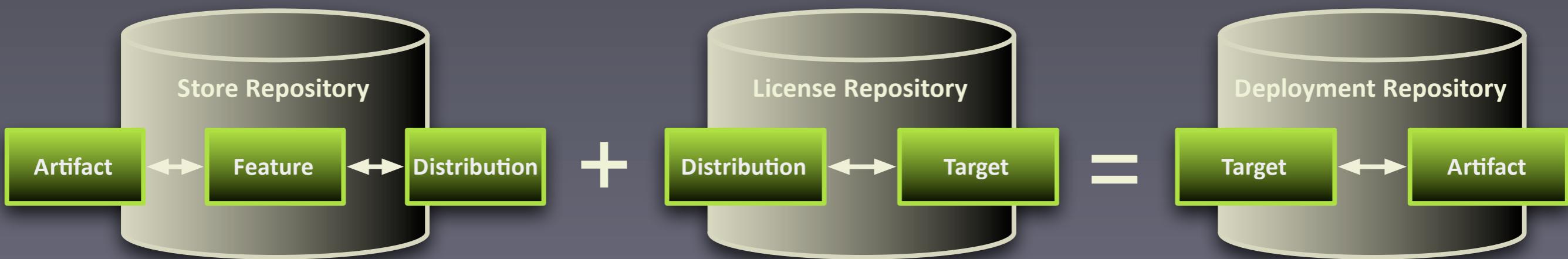
# Management Agent



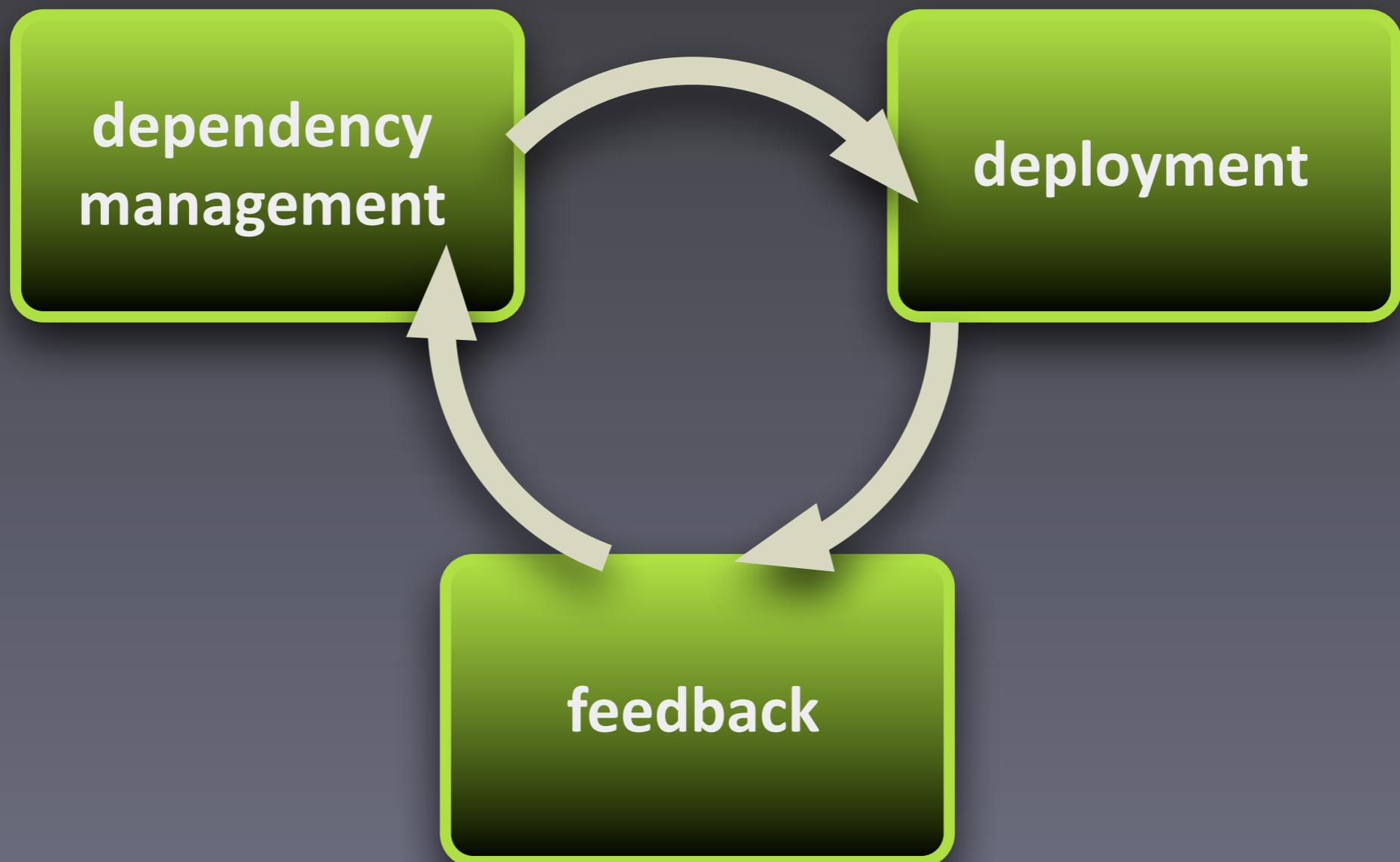
# Deployment Admin

- deployment packages
- versioned set of artifacts
- transactional install/update
- fix packages provide deltas
- signing makes them secure
- extensible through resource processors
  - AutoConfig defines configuration admin data

# From dependency to deployment



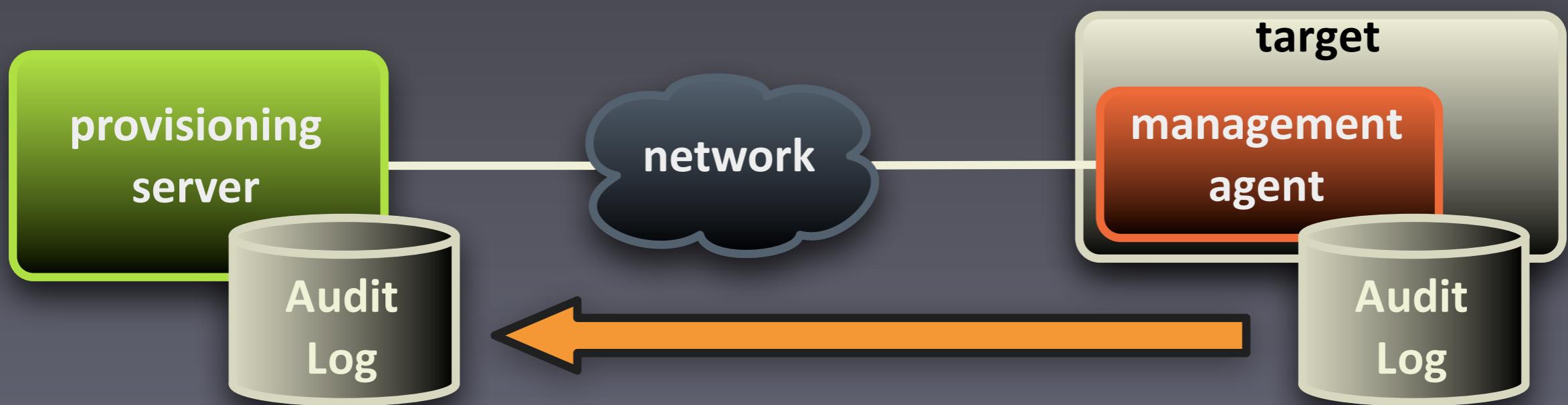
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feedback

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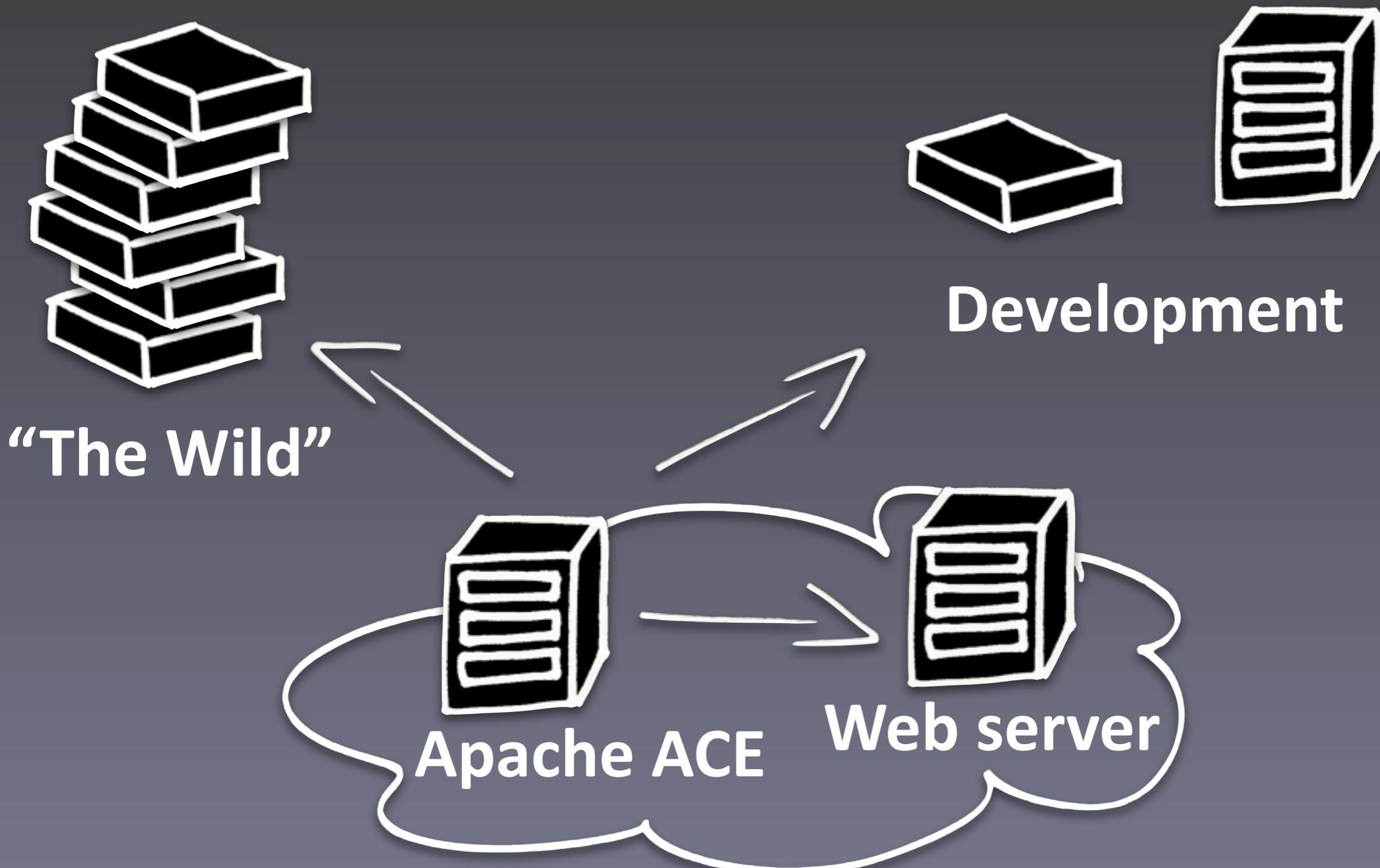


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17:34 Checked for updates, none found  
1 23:20 Bundle 23 stopped  
1 2 13:23 Target started  
2 2 13:24 Starting update from version 5 to 8  
2 0 13:24 Bundle 37 updated  
0 0 13:25 Update to version 8 succeeded  
14:25 Target stopped
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**Demo? Demo!**

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Configuration



Apache ACE

Feedback



“The Wild”

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- Deployment information
  - No more version numbers to remember!
- Remember the additional devices?
  - Software on the fly

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- Some numbers

- 100 bundles of 10MB total
- 300 targets
- 4 minutes

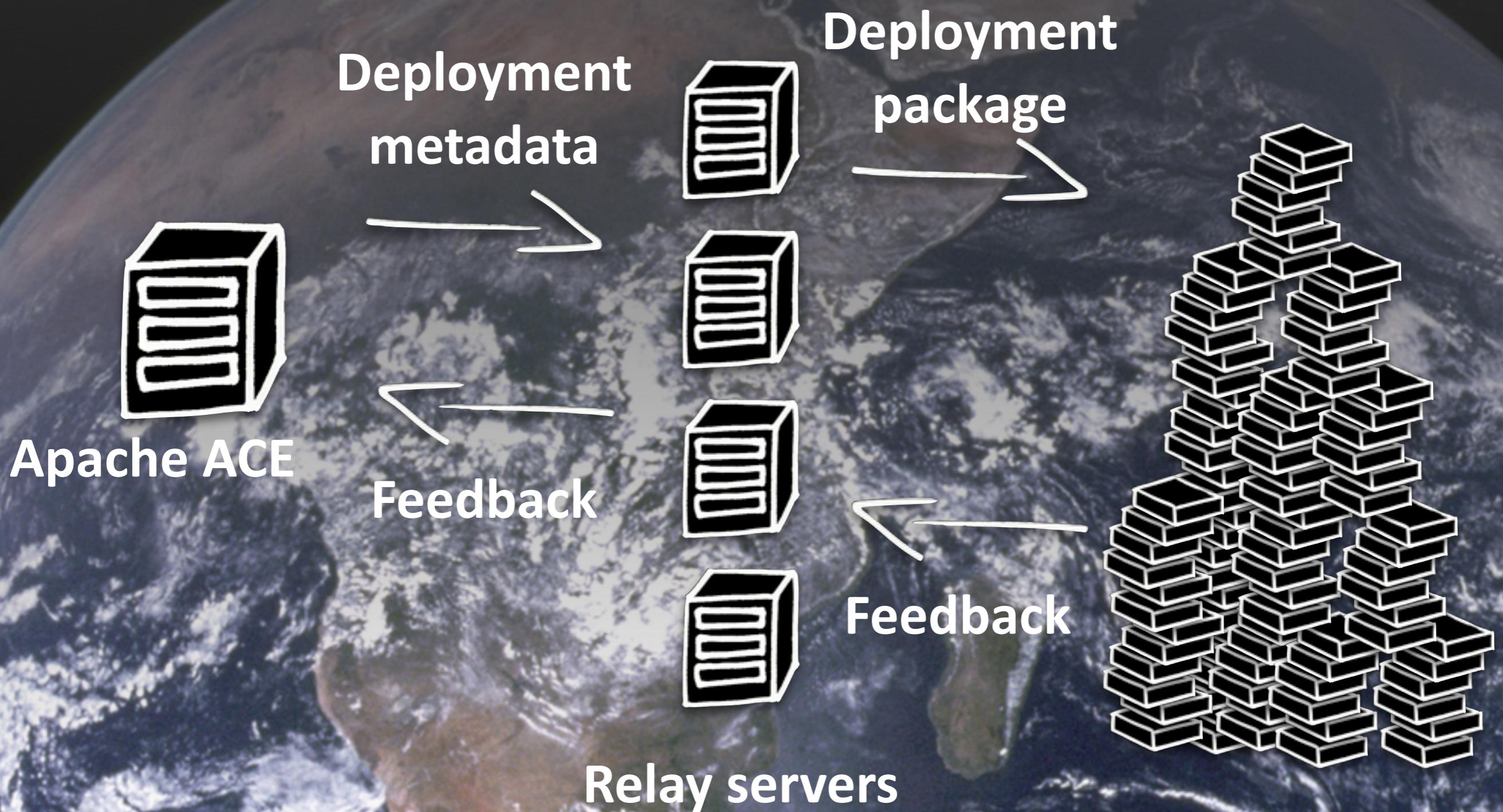
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- Many devices
- New features

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- <http://felix.apache.org>

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