



Containers at AWS

More options and power than ever before

Jason Hoog, AWS Solution Architect

Agenda

Why are companies moving to containers

What are customers building

How are customers building

Why are companies moving to containers?



The only constant is
change

Customers today
face unprecedented
business challenges

BUT they also have
incredible opportunities
to reinvent themselves

What customers ask for



Build applications,
not infrastructure



Manage infrastructure
to their requirements



Scale quickly
and seamlessly



Security and
isolation by design

Why customers adopt containers

Reduced risk



Operational efficiency



Speed



Agility



Uniform security across environment, maintained with automation

Reduced operational burden by removing undifferentiated heavy lifting

Consistent environment improves developer velocity

Automation increases speed and ease of testing and iterating

What are our customers building?



Applications

Mobile & web applications

Back-end web services

IoT

Data processing



Shared services platform

CI/CD

IaaS

Management, security,
& governance

Logging & monitoring



Enterprise app migration

.NET Classic Windows apps

Linux apps

Third-party applications



Machine learning

Autonomous vehicle

Recommendation engines

Fraud detection

Chatbots

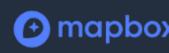
AWS Container Service customers

Acquia



BuzzFeed

Caltech



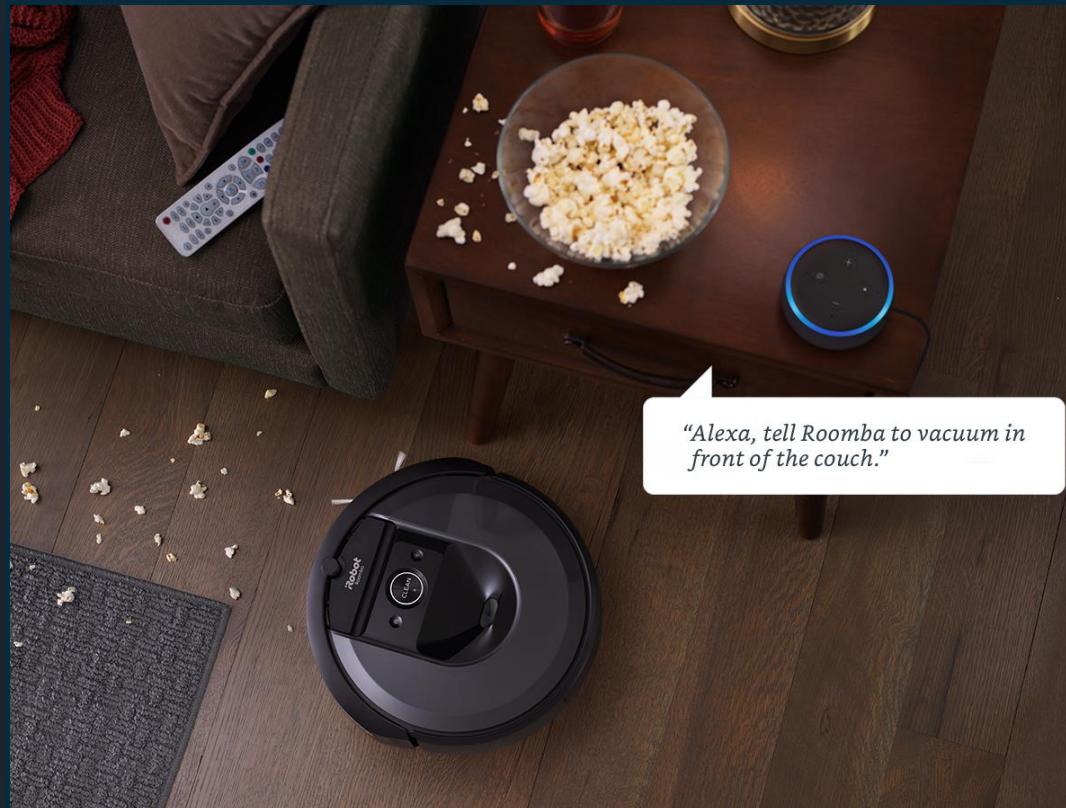
iRobot and Amazon EKS

Running Machine Learning workloads using Kubeflow



Challenge:

iRobot needed a flexible machine learning platform that can run across on-prem and AWS cloud environments



Solution and results:

“Running **Kubeflow** on **Amazon EKS** gave us a scalable machine learning platform that integrated seamlessly with AWS, and abstracted away infrastructure complexity so ML engineers could perform rapid experimentations that leveraged powerful AWS GPU based instances”

Danielle Dean, PhD
Technical Director of Machine Learning
iRobot

Ubisoft and Amazon ECS

Managing multi-player gaming service



Challenge:

Ubisoft needed a way to build a highly scalable peer-to-peer relay service that reduced their costs and improved player experience

Solution and results:

"We operated **120 servers with a team of three people** here, because we didn't have to spend our time managing the backend. Instead of installing and overseeing a management and orchestration tool ourselves, which would have taken us weeks, we configured our service to support the traffic spike in a few days using Amazon ECS"

Eric Fortin

Technical Architect

Ubisoft

AWS Container Competency Partners

Foundation



Monitoring & Logging



DevOps & CI/CD



Security & Networking



AWS Consulting Partners for Containers



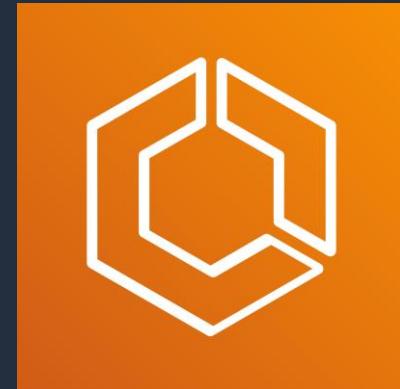
How are customers building?

The containers stack on AWS



Container technology

Amazon EKS or Amazon ECS?



ECS

Powerful simplicity



EKS

Open flexibility

Powerful simplicity



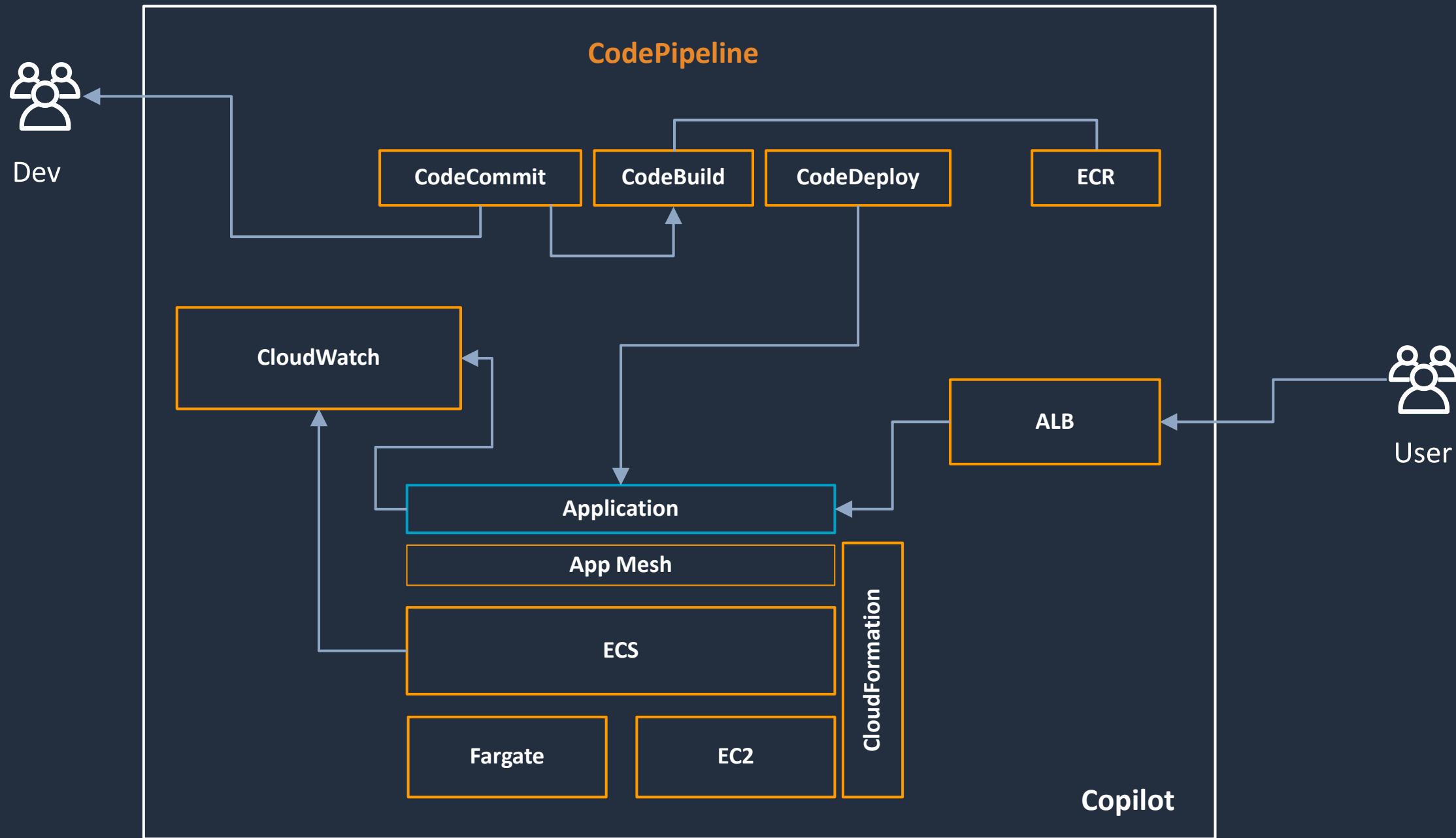
ECS

AWS-opinionated way to
run containers at scale

Reduce decisions without sacrificing
scale or features

Reduce time to build, deploy, and
migrate applications

Powerful simplicity



Open flexibility



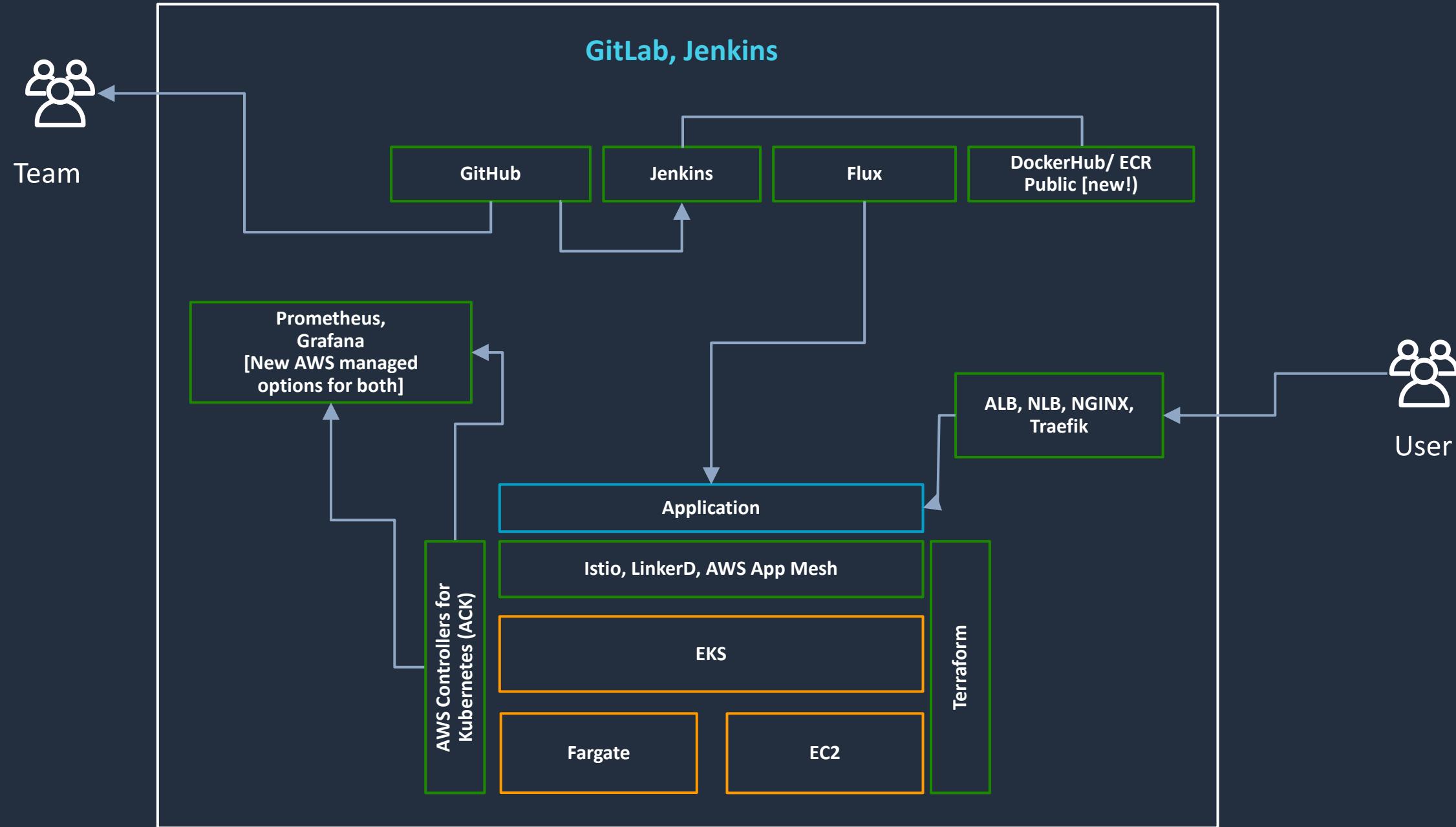
EKS

Gain agility and efficiency with AWS-optimized Kubernetes, and standardize operations everywhere

Secure, highly available, with observability across all Kubernetes deployments

Build with choice of solutions from the broader community around Kubernetes

Open flexibility



Amazon Elastic Kubernetes Service (EKS) is a fully managed Kubernetes service. EKS runs upstream Kubernetes and is certified Kubernetes conformant.

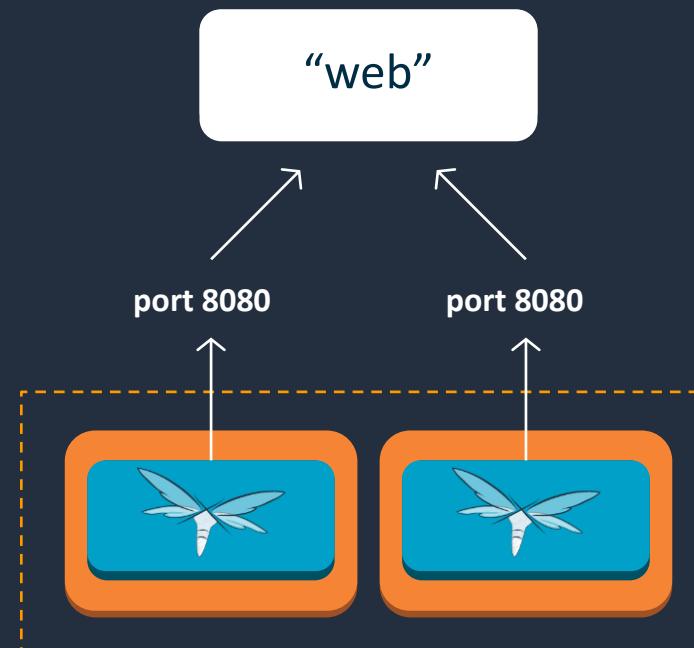
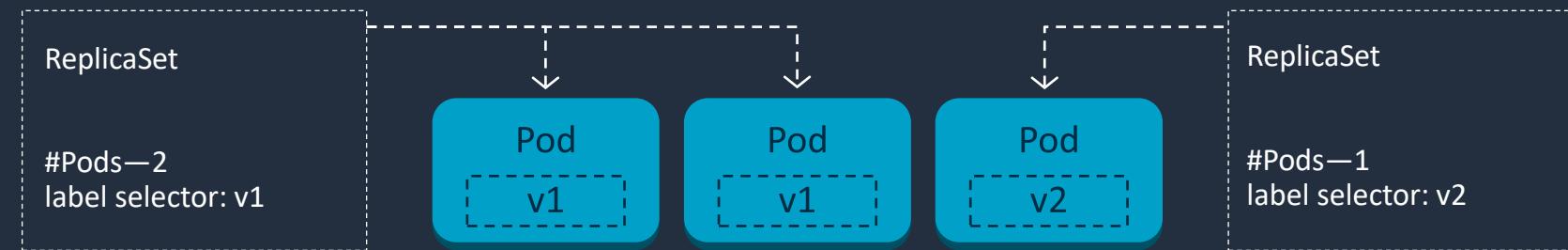
Kubernetes Concepts

Pods: Co-located group of containers that share an IP, namespace, storage volume

Replica Set: Manages the lifecycle of pods and ensures specified number are running

Service: Single, stable name for a set of pods, also acts as LB

Label: Used to organize and select group of objects



Kubernetes Concepts

Namespaces: “Virtual” clusters for users/projects

Ingress controller: L7 load balancing

Deployments: Declarative version updates

Jobs: Run to completion

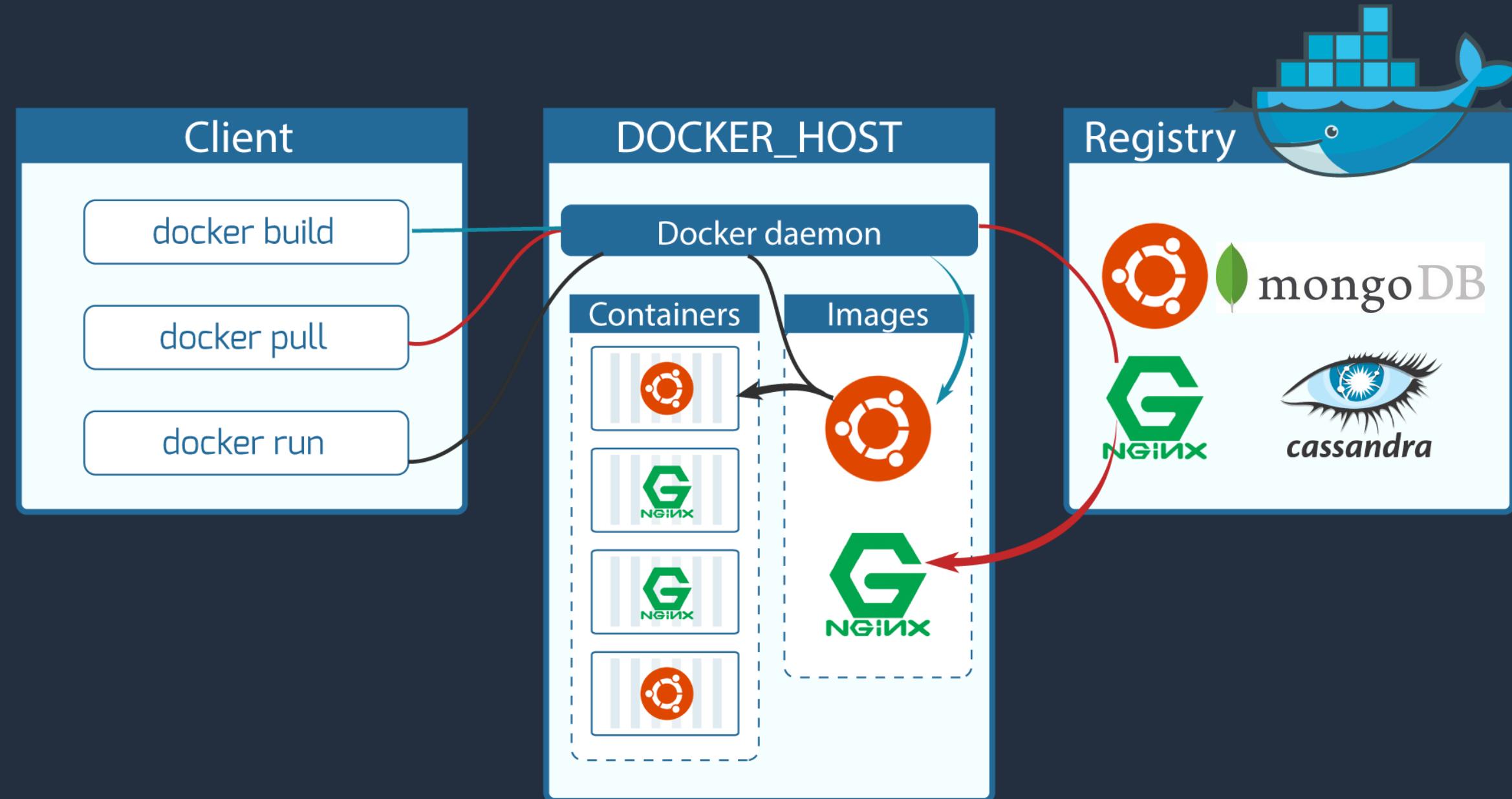
Autoscale: Automatically adjust number of Pods

Network Policies: AKA Security Groups for Pods

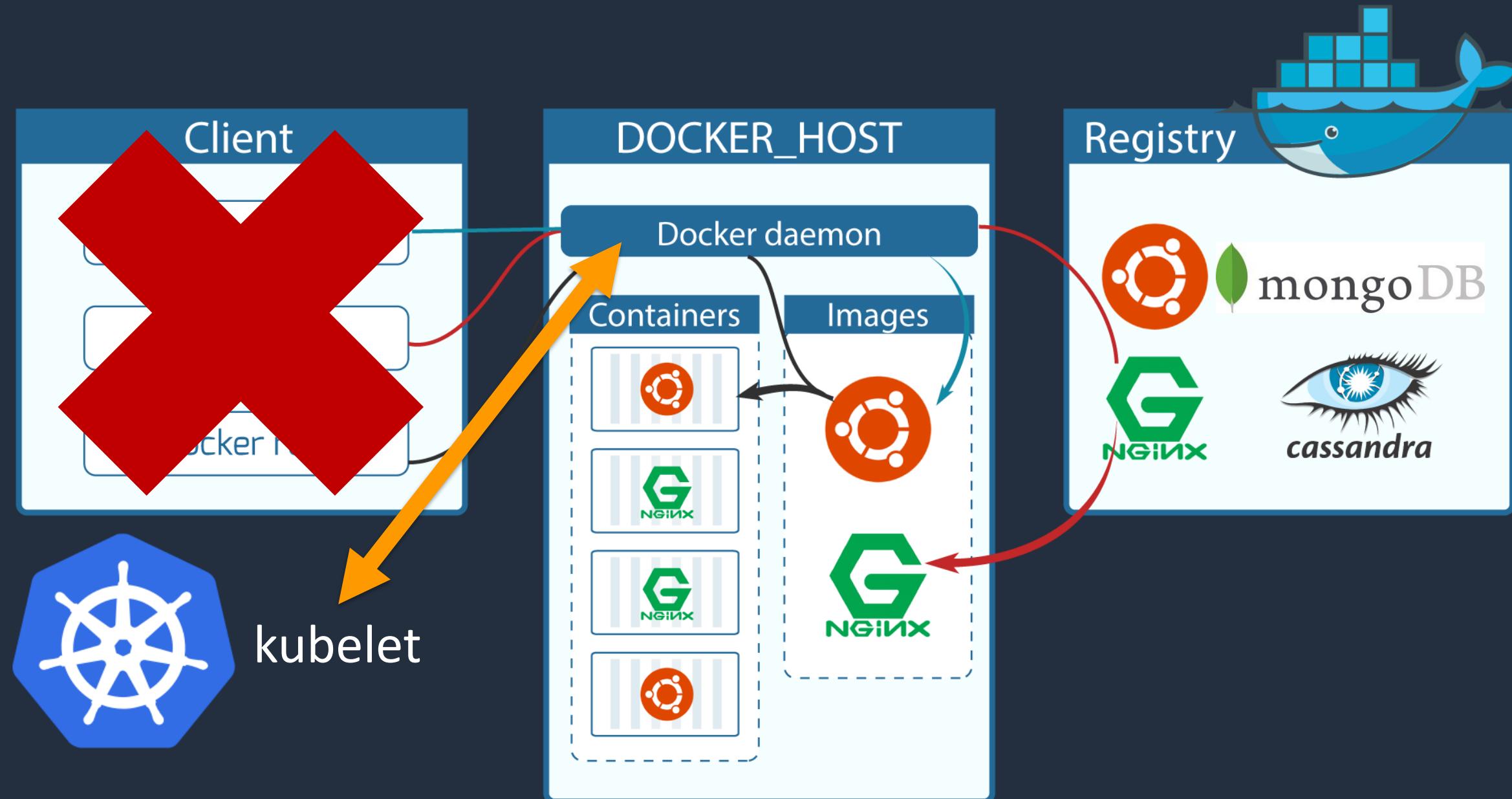
StatefulSet: Support for long-term stateful distributed systems

More...

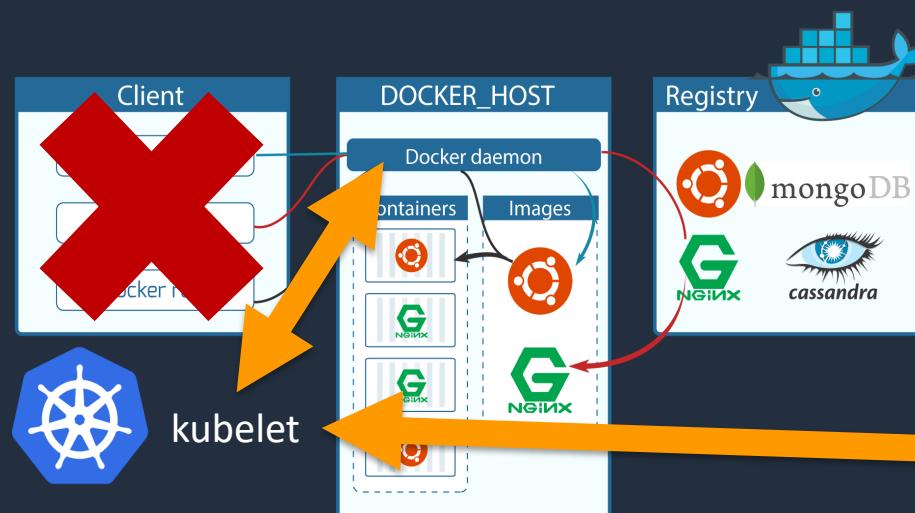
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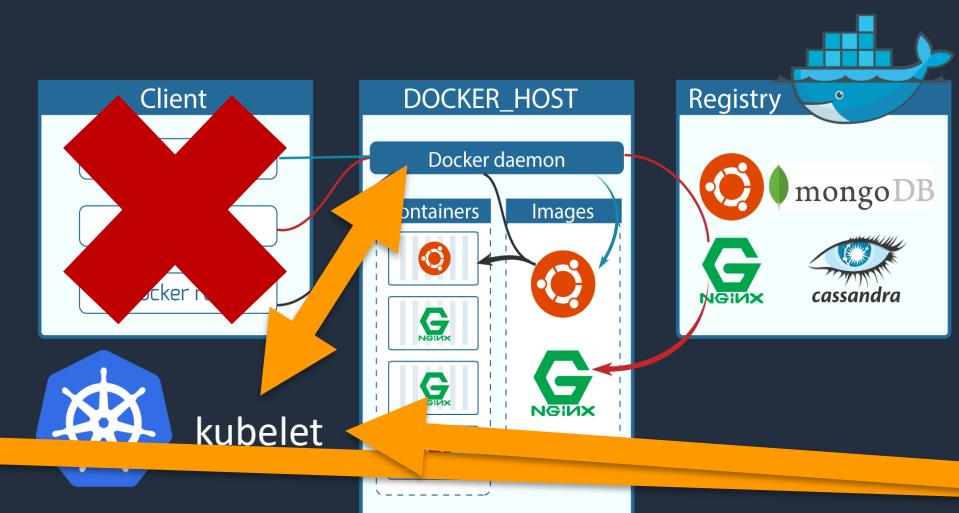
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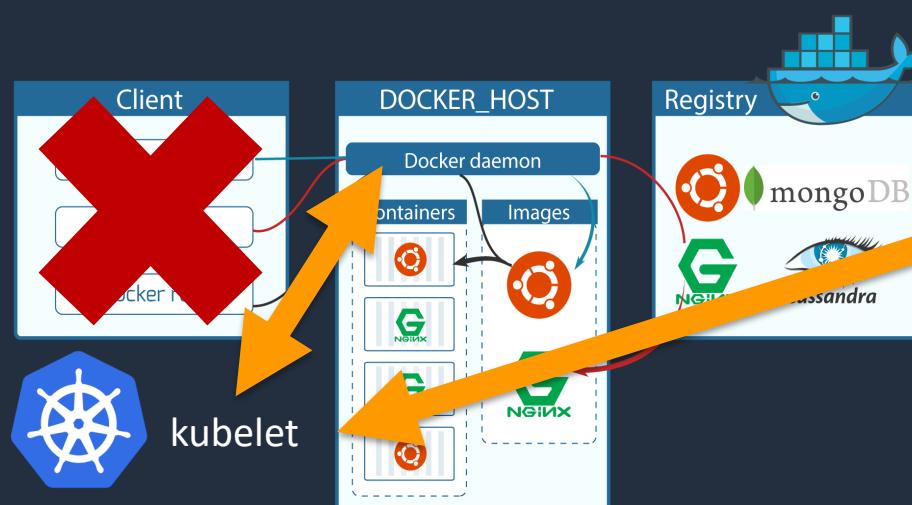
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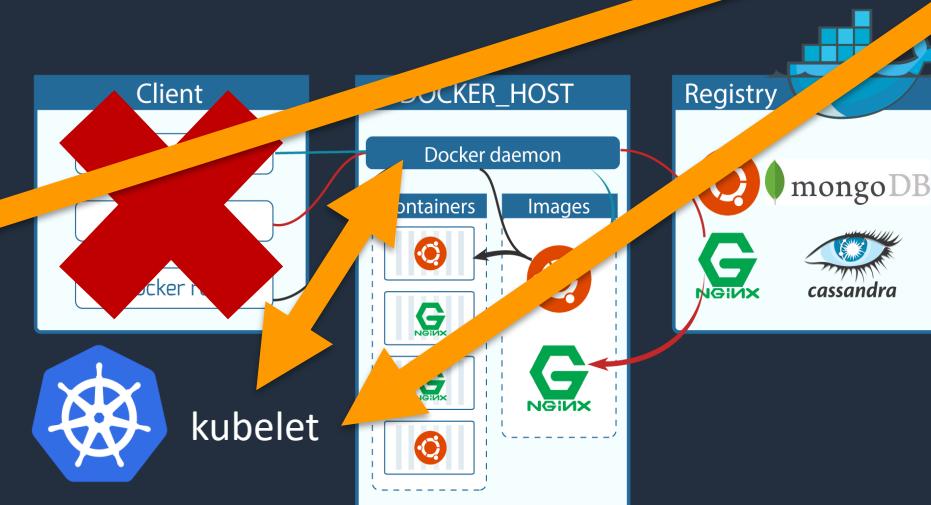
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Control Plane

What does EKS do for you over running Kubernetes on EC2?

- We deploy the Kubernetes Control Plane and etcd in a highly-available configuration across 3 AZs
- We manage that control plane for you in a similar way to our managed relational database service RDS
- We provide a network (CNI) plugin that integrates Pod networking natively with AWS VPC
- We integrate/federate user access to the Kubernetes CLI (kubectl) and API with AWS IAM

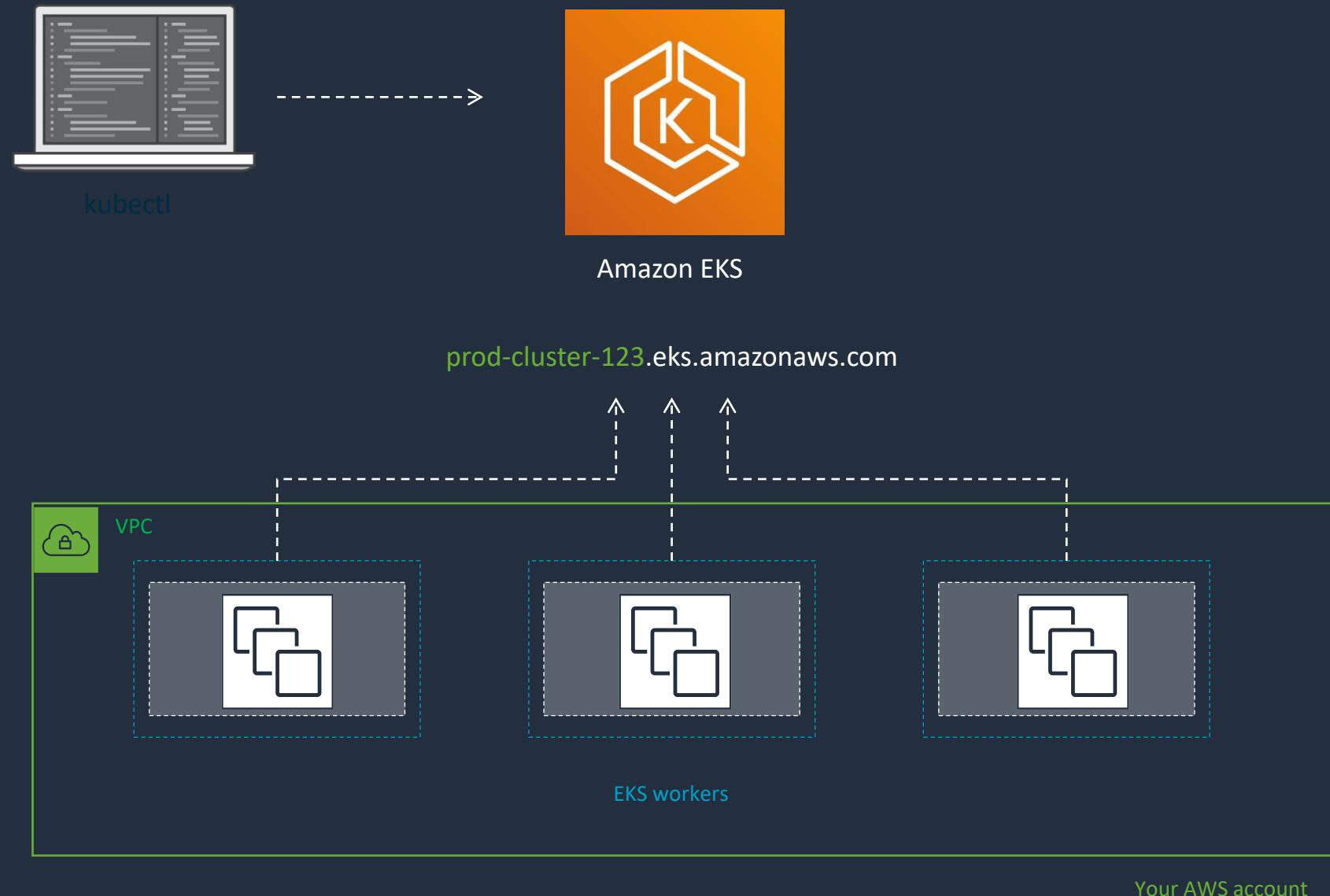
EKS is Kubernetes Certified

EKS runs upstream Kubernetes and is **certified** as Kubernetes conformant.

This means that applications managed by Amazon EKS are fully **compatible** with applications managed by any standard Kubernetes environment.



Amazon EKS Architecture



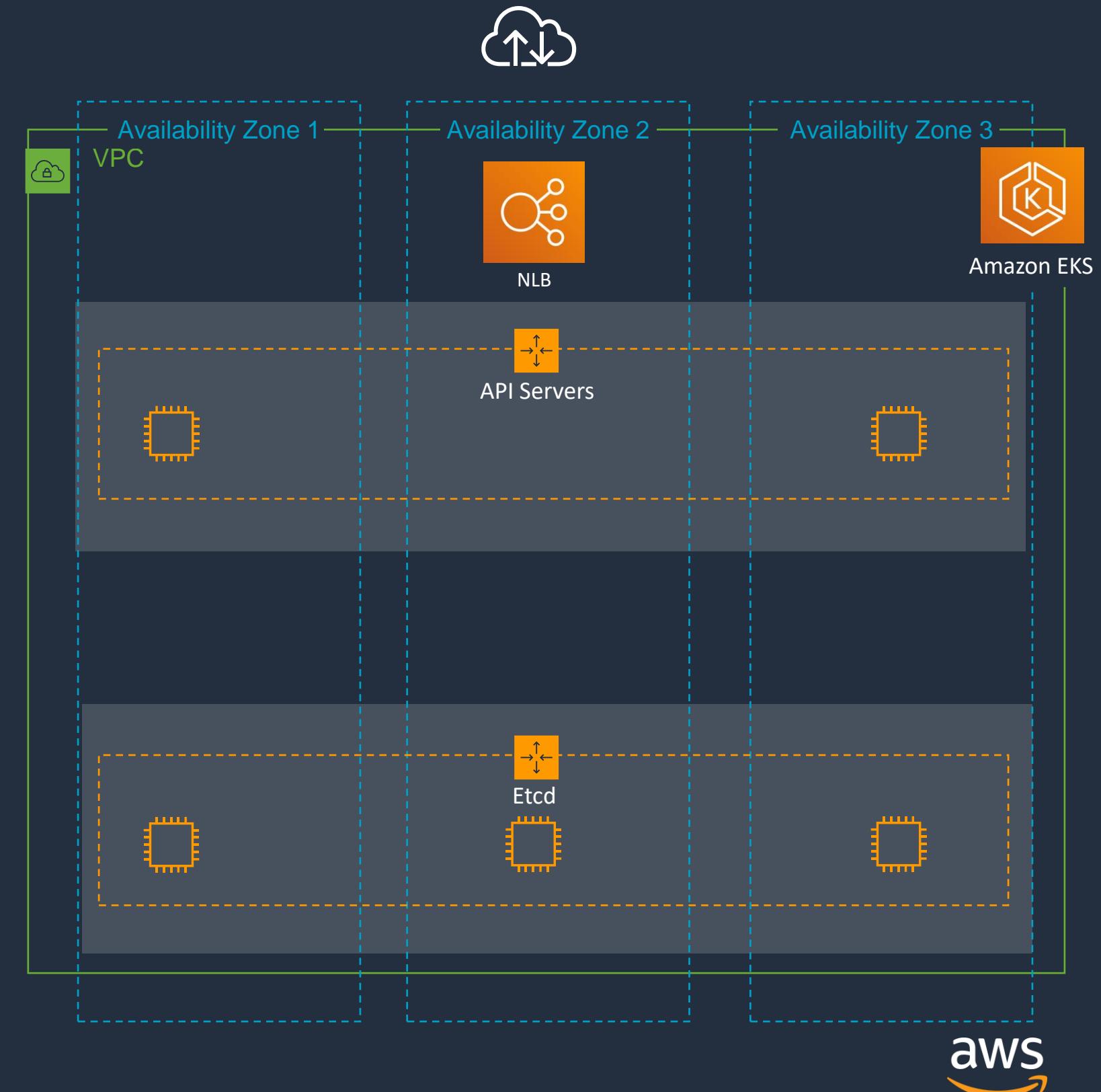
EKS Control Plane

Highly available and single tenant infrastructure

All “native AWS” components

Separate **etcd** to help with safe and seamless ops/upgrades

Fronted by an NLB - which enables Private endpoints into your VPC



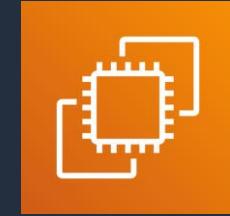
Run your containers anywhere based on your workload needs

Serverless



AWS Fargate

EC2 options



Amazon EC2



Spot instance

Edge and 5G



AWS Local
Zones



AWS
Wavelength

On-premises

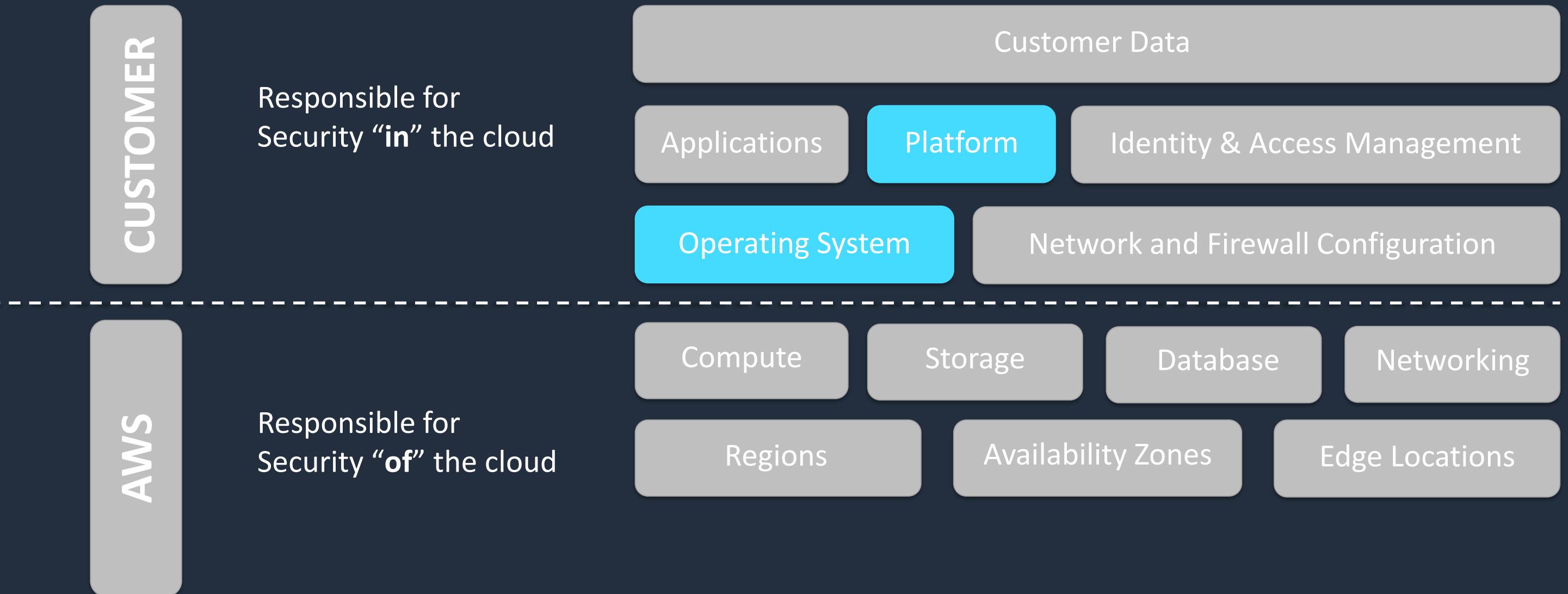


AWS
Outposts



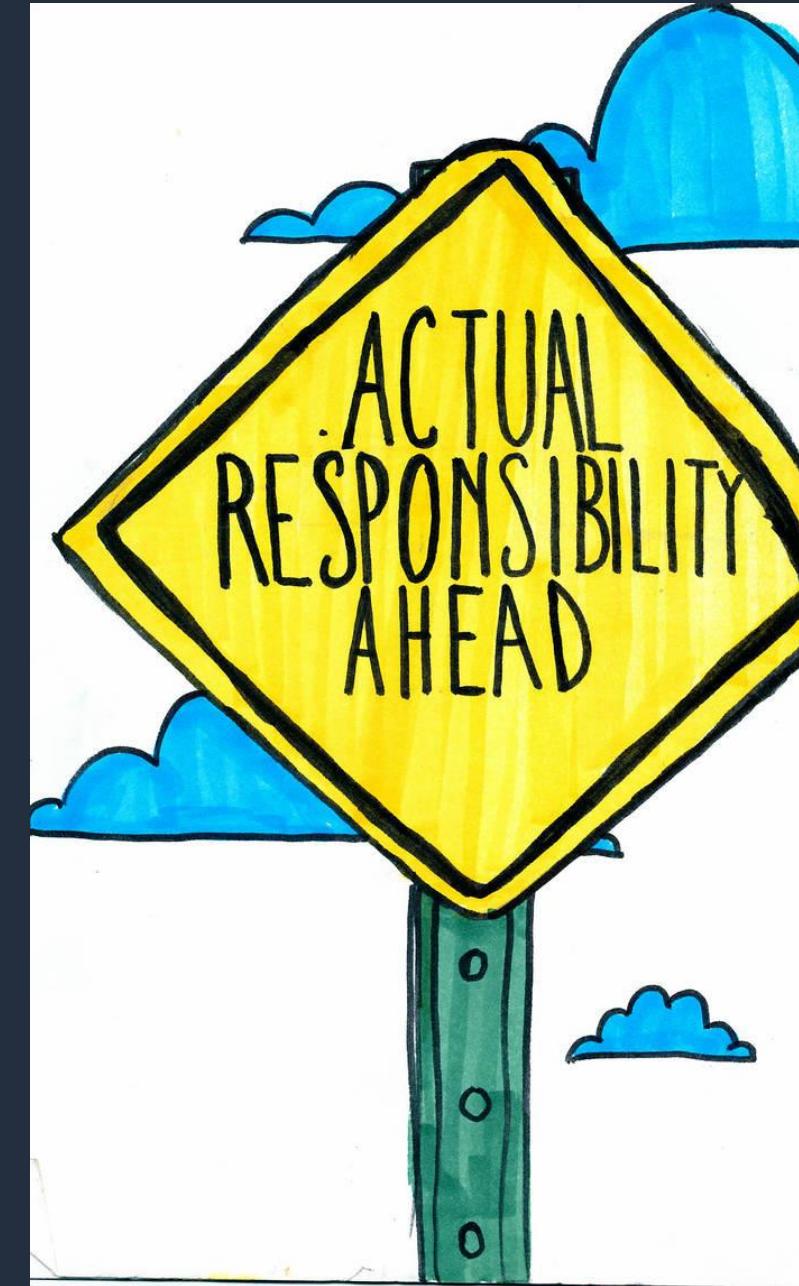
EKS Anywhere
ECS Anywhere

Shared Responsibility Model



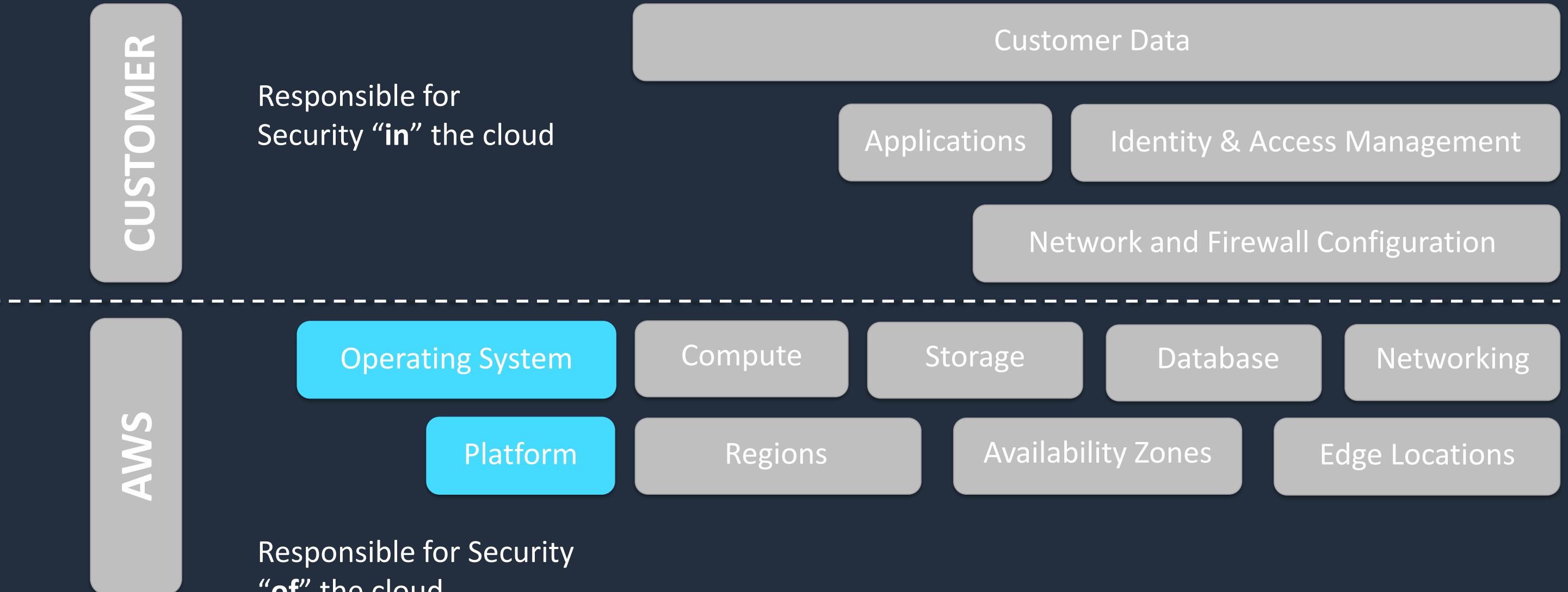
EC2 Mode – Customer Responsibilities

- Instance type and quantity to choose?
 - What is the CPU to RAM ratio?
 - Excess capacity for scaling and availability?
- Which OS to choose?
 - If Amazon Linux we provide AMIs
- Hardening the OS (e.g. against CIS benchmark)
- The patching of the OS, Docker, ECS Agent or kubelet etc.



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Shared Responsibility Model - Fargate



Updating EKS

- Kubernetes has a **new major version every quarter**
- Kubernetes has a new minor version quite regularly
- Sometimes Kubernetes updates are security-related
- EKS has APIs to trigger an update of the control plane
- You then need to update the worker Nodes - both re: Kubernetes as well as Docker and OS
 - Often the workers are in an Autoscaling Group so this means building updating AMIs
 - We provide a regularly updated EKS Node AMI as well as scripts to build your own.



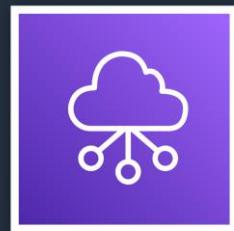
Many containerized applications need persistent storage

Long-running
stateful applications



Developer
tools

Jenkins
Jira
Git



Web & content
management

WordPress
Drupal
nginx

Shared
data sets



Machine
learning

MXNet
TensorFlow
Kubeflow

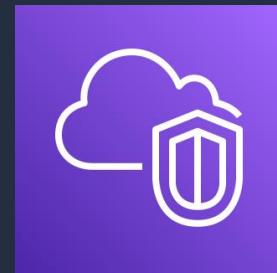


Data science
tools

Jupyter(hub)
Airflow

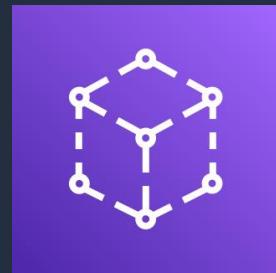
Address common networking challenges

Set up network

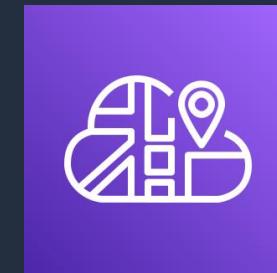


Amazon VPC

Discover services & secure traffic

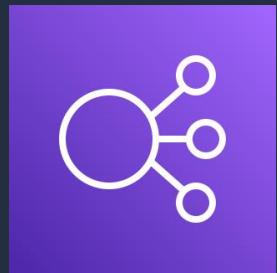


AWS App Mesh



AWS Cloud Map

Balance incoming traffic



Elastic Load Balancing



Application load balancer



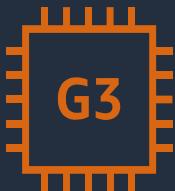
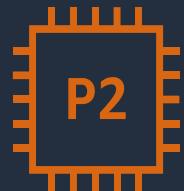
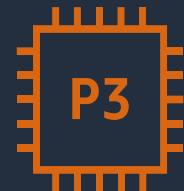
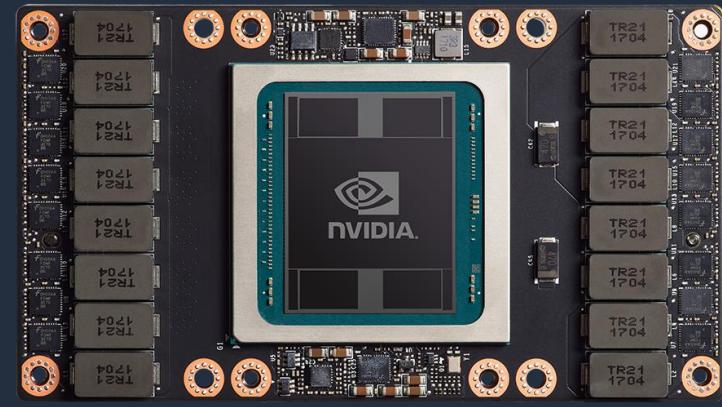
Network load balancer

You can use GPU-enabled instances in EKS

AWS has several instance types that have **GPUs** in them such as our new p3s.

These instance types are useful for things like Machine Learning and other computationally intensive things that can benefit from massive parallelisation.

It is possible to have some of them in a separate **NodeGroup** within the a mixed-use cluster and then use Kubernetes' **taints** and **tolerations** to ensure that only those workloads that benefit from the GPUs get scheduled on those instances.



You can use spot instances with EKS

AWS sells instances that are currently sitting unused at a discount of up to 90%.

The catch is that if a customer comes along and wants to pay the OnDemand or Reserved pricing for that instance we'll take it back with a two-minute warning.

It is possible to have either a cluster totally running on Spot (and a few tricks to make that safe-ish) or a mixed cluster with a foundational capacity of OnDemand with bursting out to Spot when it is affordable.



You can now add Windows nodes to your EKS cluster

We've just announced that adding Windows nodes to your EKS cluster is now Generally Available.

A couple provisos to Windows Server Containers generally that extend to Kubernetes:

- Half of Windows is in each container
- The windows version in the container image must match the host OS

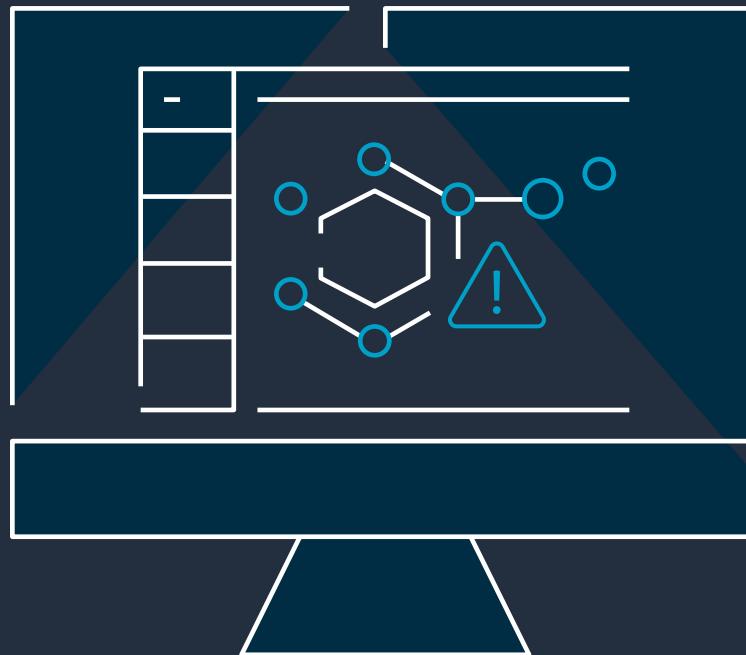


Windows
Server

Also all the containers/sidecars in the Pod need to run on the same host/OS.

Connecting it all together

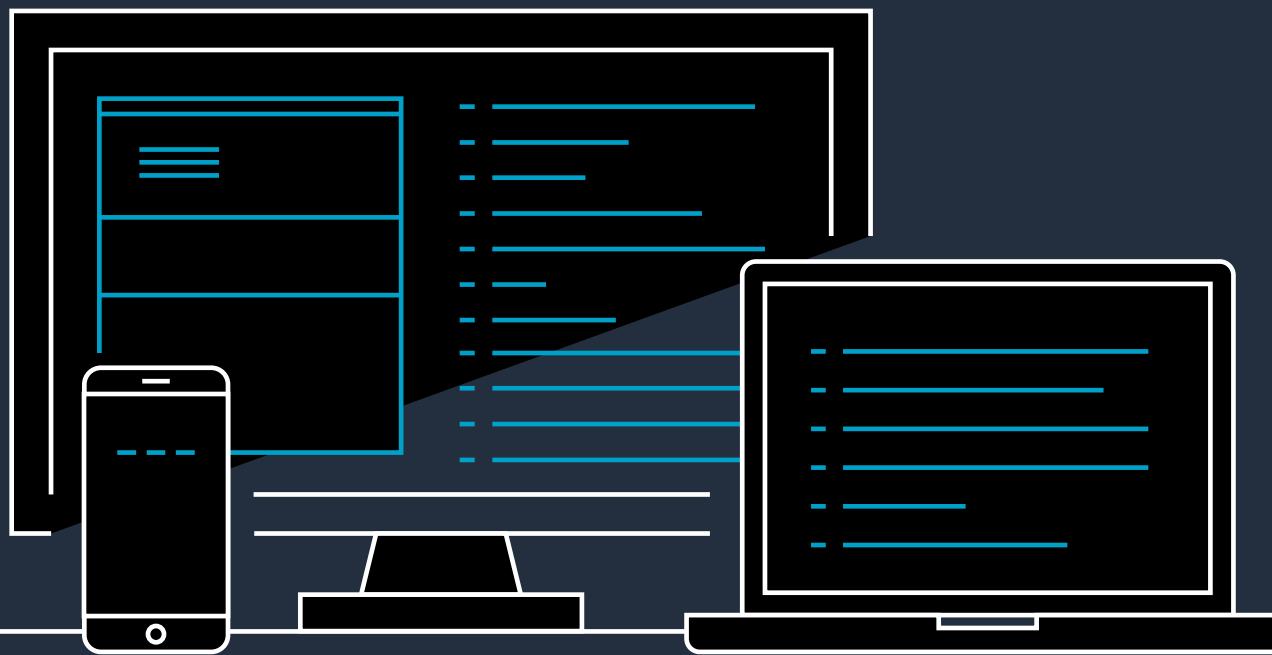
Abstract away the developer pain



Building applications is hard



With the right automation,
it gets a lot easier



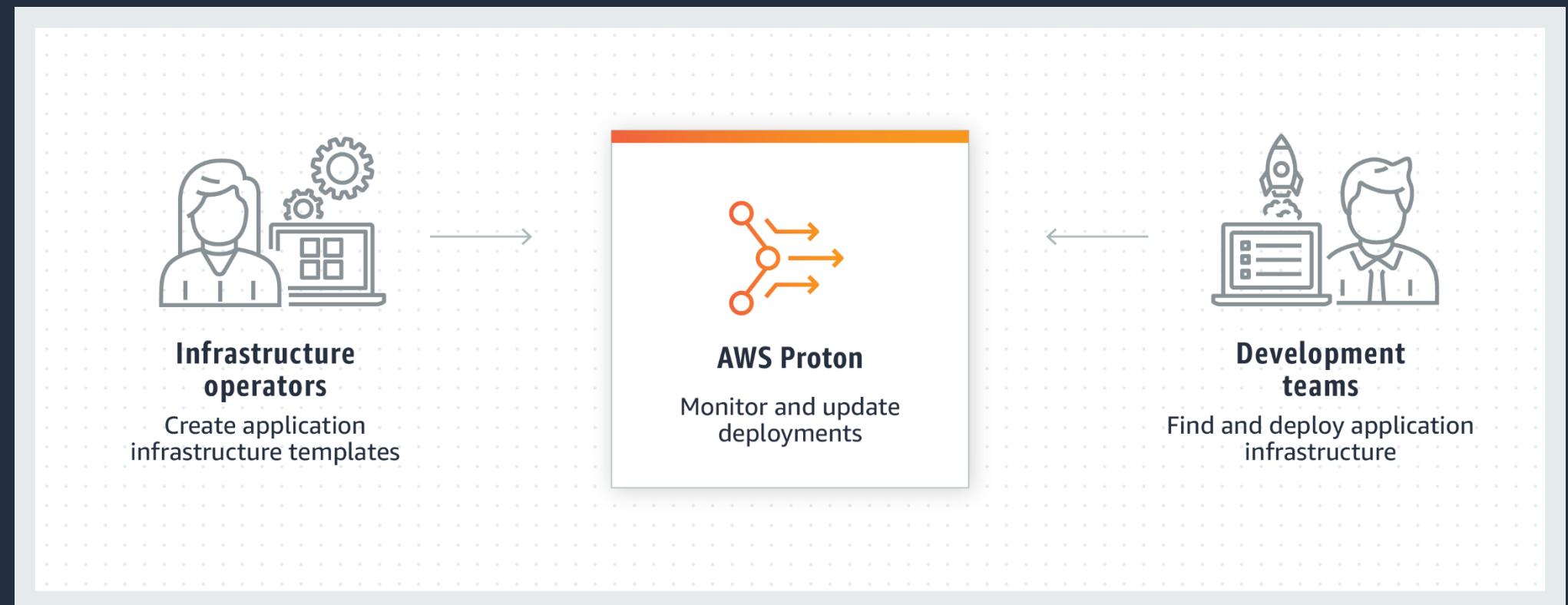
You can be more productive
and agile, focus on creation,
not admin work

New: Manage deployments with AWS Proton

PROBLEM

Deploy code pipelines with consistent standards and management

The first fully managed deployment service for container and serverless applications.



Conclusion



Customers today face unprecedented business challenges and going faster than ever before

Customers are building their business critical applications with AWS container services

We have a full stack of services, technologies, and tools for every workload

Many more to come in 2021!



Thank you!

Container launch roundup

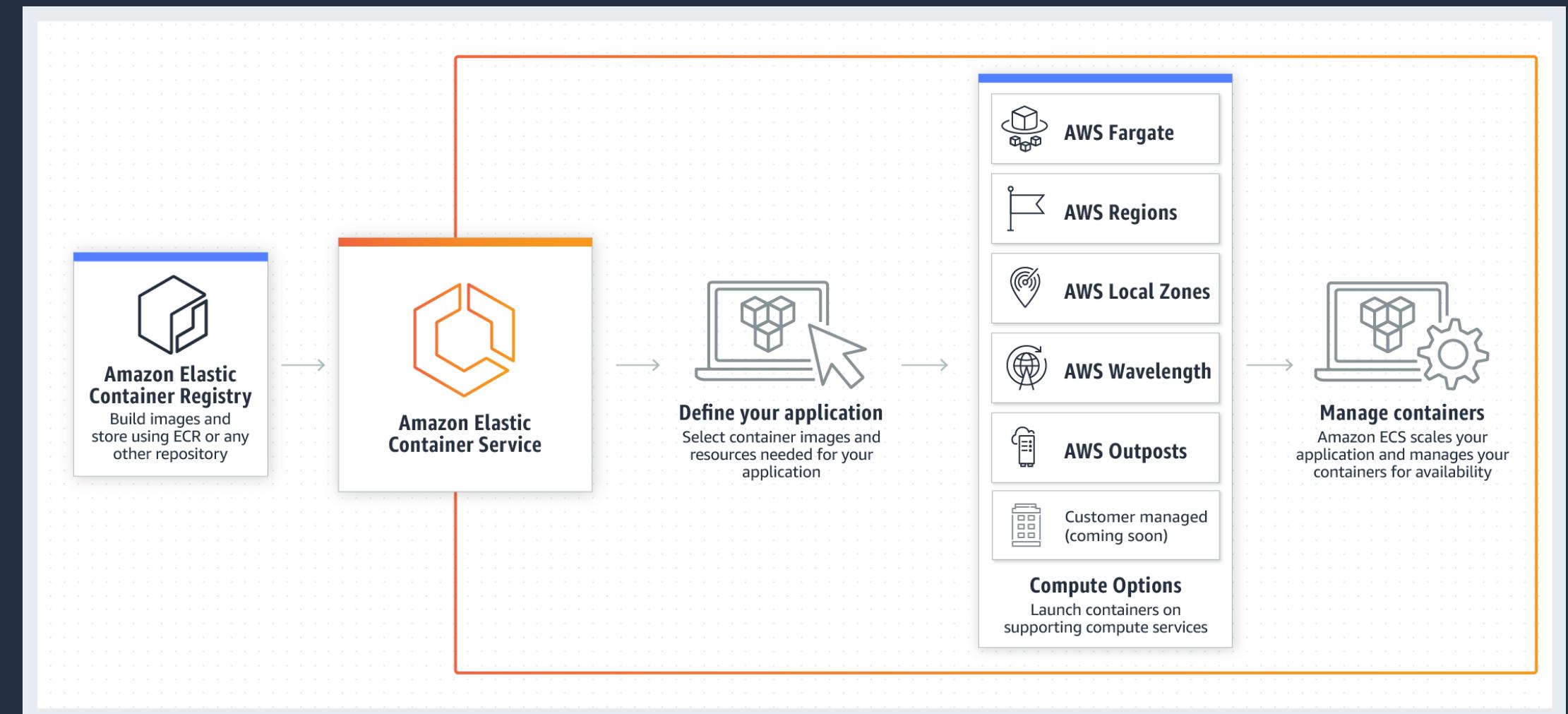
New: Amazon ECS Anywhere

PROBLEM

How to use ECS for application portfolios that span AWS, on-premises, and other customer managed infrastructure

Fully managed, and highly scalable

Powerful simplicity for your hybrid footprint



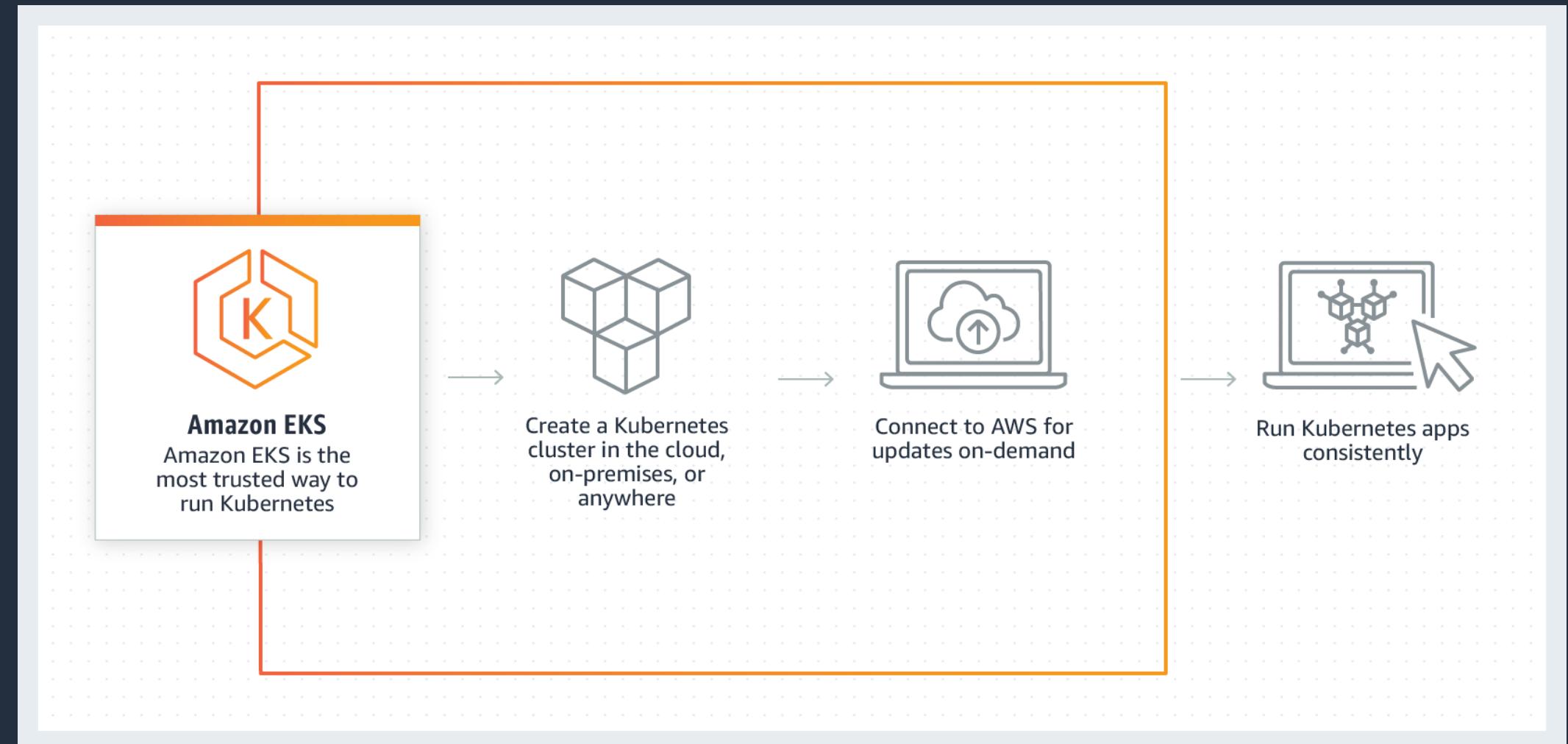
New: Amazon EKS Anywhere and EKS Distro

PROBLEM

How to run EKS outside of AWS regions. Customers have workloads, workflows, and application portfolios that span AWS, on-premises, and other clouds.

Manage K8s clusters
on-premises

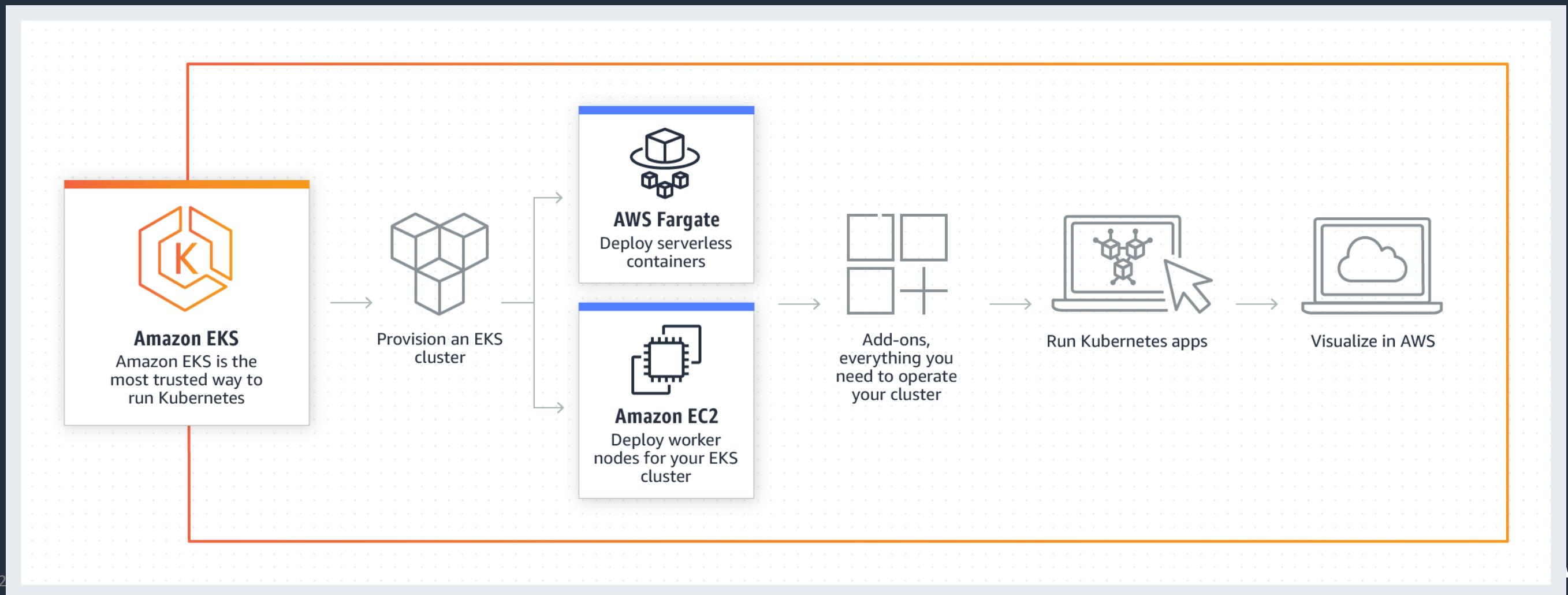
Amazon EKS Distro is
the same one run on
AWS cloud



New: EKS Add-ons and dashboard

PROBLEMS

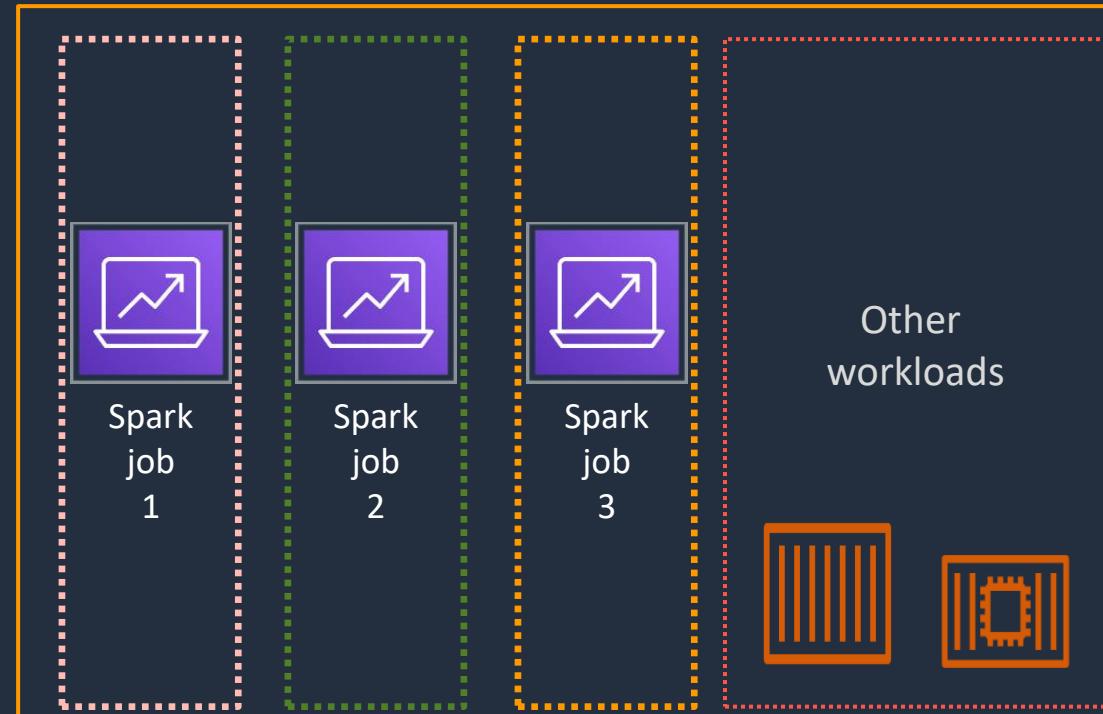
Limited observability to containers in different places. Complexity in managing and patching Kubernetes components.



Amazon EMR on Amazon EKS

Run Apache Spark jobs on Amazon Elastic Kubernetes Service (EKS)

INTRODUCING
GA



Eliminate underutilized and over-provisioned resources

Automate management of big data frameworks

Optimize Apache Spark performance

A new public container registry from AWS

Meeting customer need, leveraging our experience operating Amazon ECR at scale

PROBLEM

How to innovate and collaborate with images and artifacts

Amazon ECR Public

- Geo-replicated image storage
- Amazon CloudFront cache
- Single, global URL
- Essentially free to use
- No AWS account needed to pull



`docker pull public.ecr.aws/ecs/amazon-ecs-agent`

Amazon ECR Public Gallery

- Search for public container artifacts
- Image detail pages
- Custom aliases
- Verified accounts
- Free for anyone to browse

<https://gallery.ecr.aws>

Red Hat OpenShift on AWS (ROSA)



Console service

- Create OpenShift clusters from the AWS console or CLI
- AWS integrated experience for cluster creation and management
- Foundation based on RHEL



Unified bill

- Leverage your existing AWS commitment to use OpenShift
- Get a single unified bill from AWS for both OpenShift and AWS consumption



Joint support

- Integrated support systems
 - Contact Red Hat or AWS support
 - Built on Red Hat and AWS' decades of enterprise IT knowledge and experience



Integration with AWS

- Build containerized applications that integrate natively with the more than 170 AWS cloud-native services

Amazon Managed Service for Prometheus

IN PREVIEW TODAY

Highly available, secure, and managed monitoring and alerting for containers



Ingest, query, and store Prometheus metrics at scale, easily and securely

Monitor containers on AWS and on-premises

Get started quickly monitoring EKS and ECS

Amazon Managed Service for Grafana

Powerful, interactive data visualizations for builders, operators, and business leaders

IN PREVIEW TODAY



Run Grafana at scale, easily and securely

Visualize, analyze, and correlate metrics, logs, traces, and IoT data securely across multiple data sources

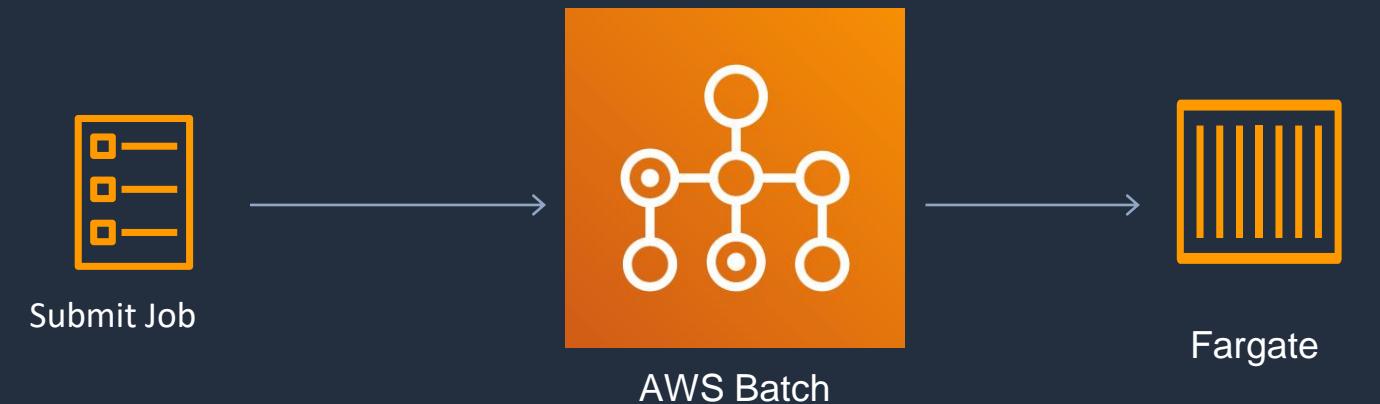
Upgrade to Grafana Enterprise to connect to 3rd party ISVs such as Datadog and Splunk

Introducing AWS Batch Jobs for Fargate

Fully Serverless Batch computing with AWS-owned compute resources; no need to specify instance type or manage machine images

AWS Batch provides you with a managed batch queue, complete with the ability to specify priority, dependencies, and retries.

- Use Fargate Spot for savings of up to 70%
- Batch handles queueing, submission, and lifecycle management



New launches and features—highlights



EKS

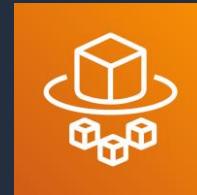
- New EKS Console
- EKS Anywhere/EKS Kubernetes Distro
- EKS Add-Ons
- Managed Node Groups—Spot
- Control Plane Auto-tuning
- OIDC Authentication API
- Load Balancer Controller
- App Mesh Controller
- Amazon Controllers for Kubernetes (ACK)
- Open-source cluster scaler—Karpenter



ECS

- New Amazon ECS Console
- ECS Anywhere
- Proton for ECS
- AWS Copilot
- Docker Compose with ECS GA
- CDK Extensions (FireLens, AppMesh)
- AWS Distro for OpenTelemetry
- Deployment circuit breaker
- Capacity Providers enhancements
- Amazon FSx for Windows support

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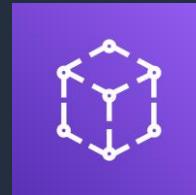
Fargate

- AWS Batch on Fargate
- Persistent Storage w/ EFS
- Bigger ephemeral storage
- Ephemeral storage default encryption
- Dual-stack for IPv4/IPv6
- NLB Support
- Increased default task/pod quotas
- Usage against quotas in CloudWatch
- Enhanced network perf metrics
- Logging via FireLens (EKS)
- Savings Plan (EKS)



ECR

- ECR Public
- ECR Public Gallery
- Cross region replication
- Increased layer sizes
- Lambda image support
- Helm chart support
- Additional artifact types
- Encryption at rest with KMS
- Multi-Arch Support



App Mesh

- mTLS—SPIRE or bring your cert
- TLS—ACM or bring your cert
- Circuit breaking
- App Mesh K8S Controller GA
- Ingress—Virtual gateways
- Cross Account with AWS RAM