

# ODF for Cloud Native: Container Storage, is it so important?!

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# Cloud Native and Containers...Really important?!

## SODA Data & Storage Survey 2021<sup>#0</sup>

Platform use pivoting to  
container-based environments

Over the last 5 years there has been a seemingly rapid transition from VMs to containers.

Kubernetes deployments came top (in fact top 3 positions - K8S cloud, Hybrid K8S, K8S on prem)

## Other Industry Reports / Surveys

Application Container Market CAGR  
26.5% (2019-25)<sup>#1</sup>

CaaS CAGR 35% (2021-26)<sup>#2</sup>

Installed base of container instances  
CAGR 62.1%(2019-23)<sup>#3</sup>

84% using Container in Production<sup>#4</sup>

It is NO MORE notional..!

# ...so..how about Container Storage?

## SODA Data & Storage Survey 2021

Organizations are using Container Storage for **real use cases** deployments

## Industry Reports / Analysis

Container **centric** storage solutions

**Hybrid** Cloud Data Management for DR

Momentum towards **STaaS**

Hybrid, Vendor Agnostic, CSTaaS...

# ...so..wait.. is it Container or Cloud Native Storage?

## Cloud Native Storage(CNS)

Software Defined Storage - that is **API driven** and customers can **auto-provision**. A storage solution that is **secure, performant and scalable** to application demands.

## Container Storage

Container centric storage solutions are **Cloud Native Storage** solutions and more.

**Declarative API (GitOps), Auto-healing** and **1000x** in terms of **Volume Churn**.  
**Scale up and down**.

**Developer productivity, cost optimization and truly hybrid**.

Container Storage is CNS, but CNS is not Container Storage.

...I see.. So Container Storage is CSI?

## CSI

Container Storage Interface (CSI) is a specification on how Container Orchestrators interact with Storage Solutions to connect to Containers.

## Container Storage

Container centric storage solutions implement CSI. Any storage can implement CSI - as additional layer.

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CSI is a specification, so is COSI. Container storage solutions implement them.



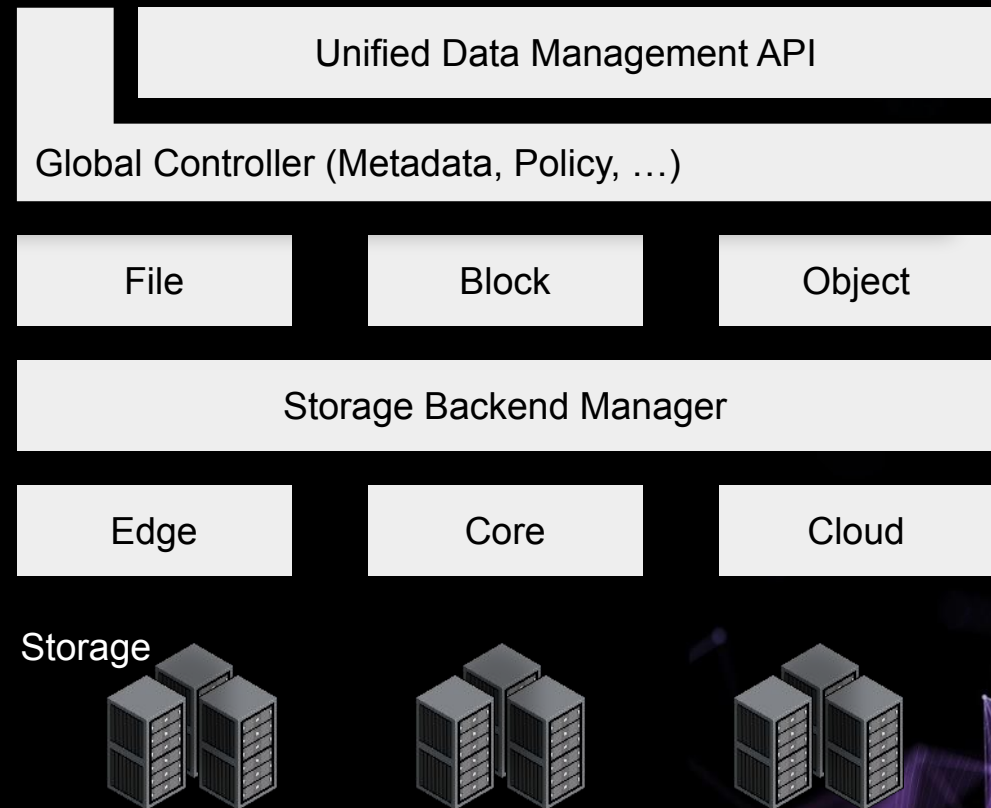
# SODA Open Data Framework (ODF) : Connecting Data

**UNIFY** ACROSS VENDORS, PLATFORMS & DOMAINS

**UNSETTLED** TYPES OF STORAGE

**UNPRECEDENTED** DATA MOBILITY & SCALE

**“REALLY” DISTRIBUTED** HETEROGENEOUS



# SODA ODF Introduction, Project Architecture...

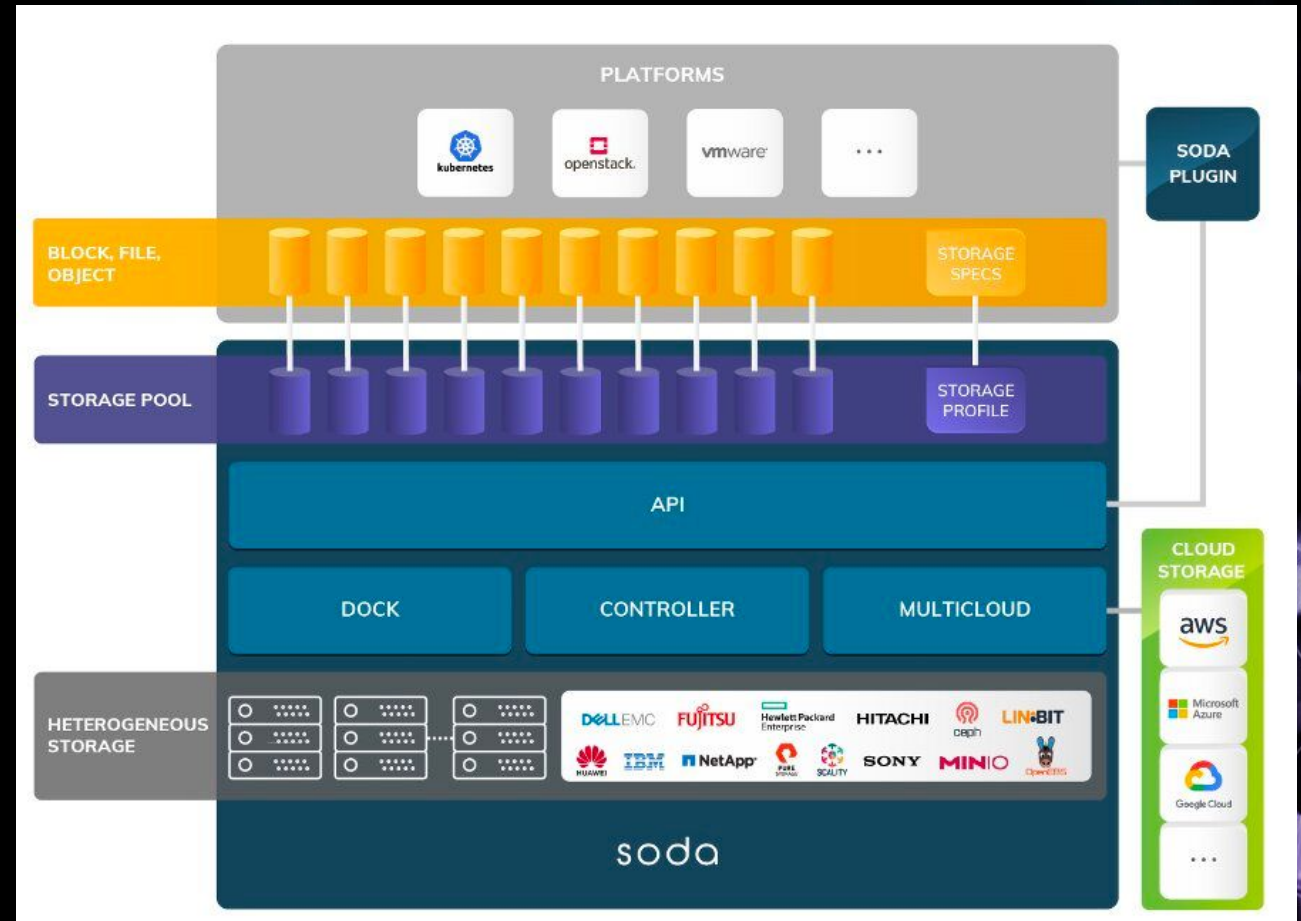
SODA Open Data Framework (ODF) is an open source software developed by SODA Foundation. ODF connects **data end to end**, from platform to storage, and from **edge to core to cloud**, and manages all the data in between. Goal is to let users use this data framework with any platform and application to build end to end solutions easily.

## KEY PROPOSITIONS

- **Open Source** – prevents vendor lock-in
- **Connects Data Silos** – eliminates data fragmentation
- **Extensible** – can integrate solutions and products easily

## HIGHLIGHTS

- **Standardization** – data and storage management
- **Ecosystem** – hardware, software, solutions, services
- **Certification** – ecosystem components, developers, operators



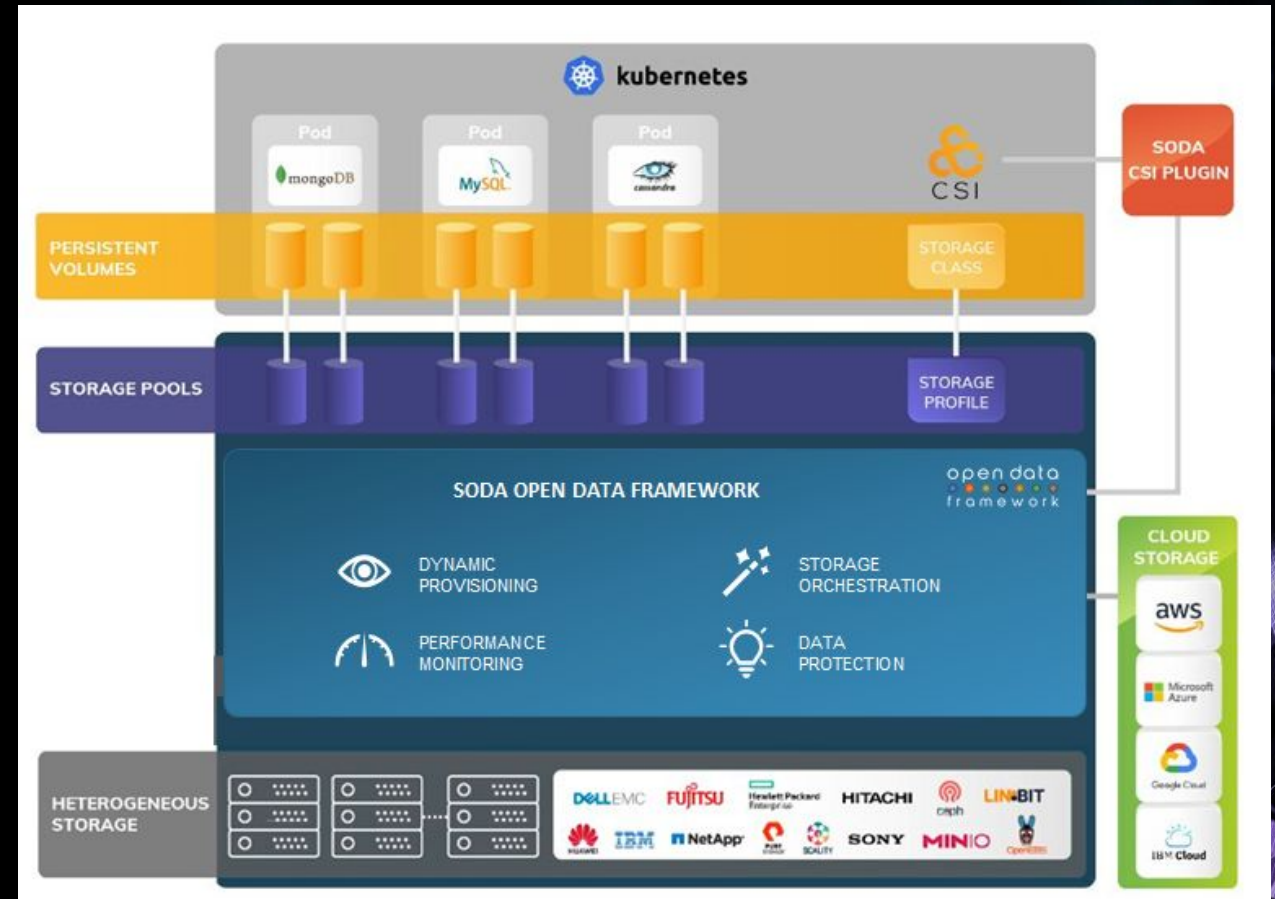


# ODF, Kubernetes, CSI...

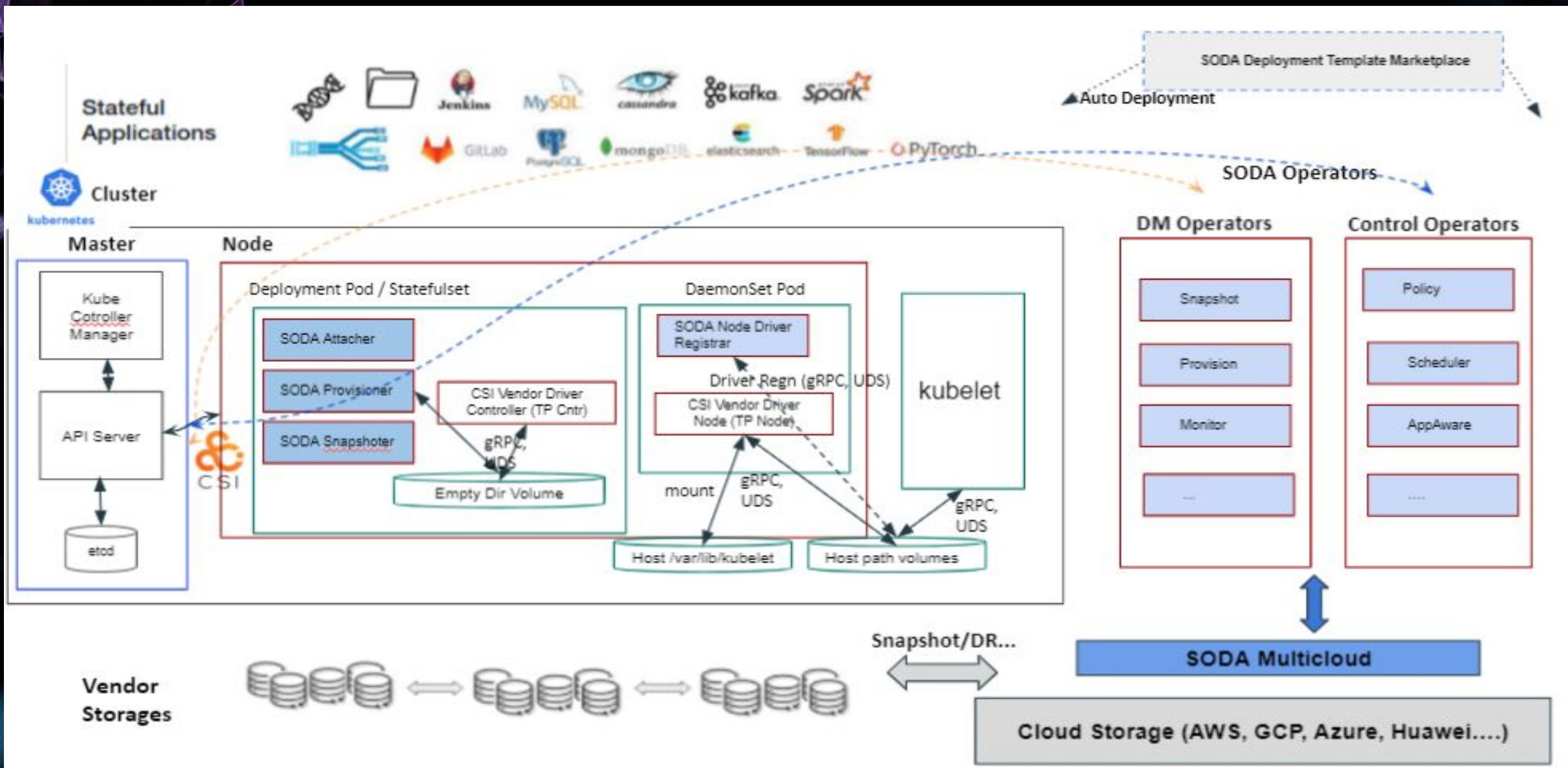
Unified SODA CSI plugin which can support multiple heterogeneous third party CSI drivers.

## ODF for Kubernetes Highlights:

- Abstracts multi-vendor heterogeneous storage as block/file/object services
- Provision K8S persistent storage dynamically with Storage Class and Storage Profile mapping
- Plug any CSI storage as SODA storage backend (No third party driver modifications)
- Intelligent provisioning, storage orchestration, monitoring and data protection
- Hybrid data management for cloud native



# Focus : Seamless Provisioning, Data Management, Monitoring...



Project Friends are also in the similar direction...



**LIN**STOR

Block Storage  
Management for  
Containers



Kubernetes  
Storage  
Simplified



Multi-Cloud  
Data  
Controller

**CORTX**™

Optimized  
Object  
Store

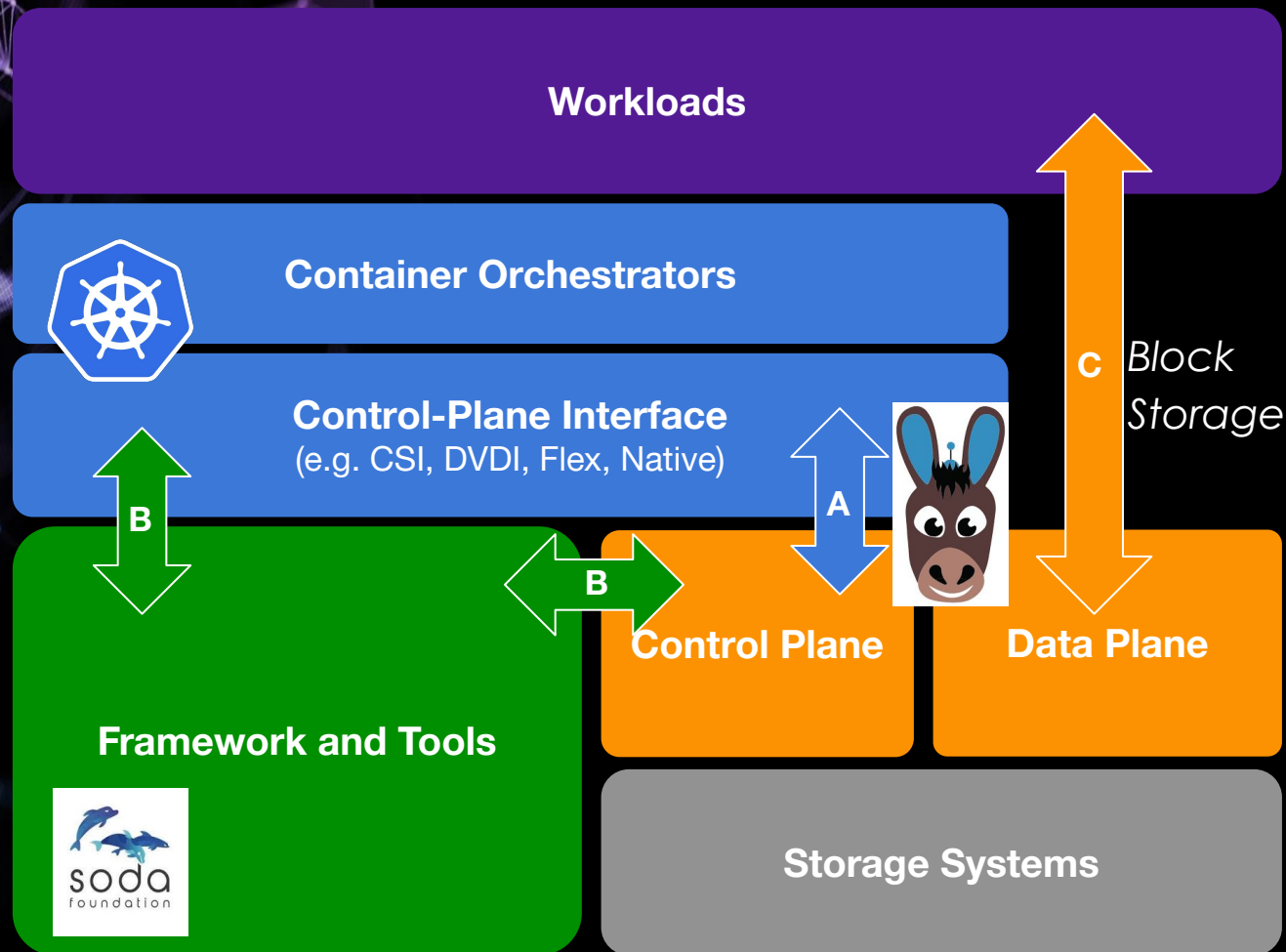
Exploring Ecosystem Solutions...



# SODA and OpenEBS (just one example...)



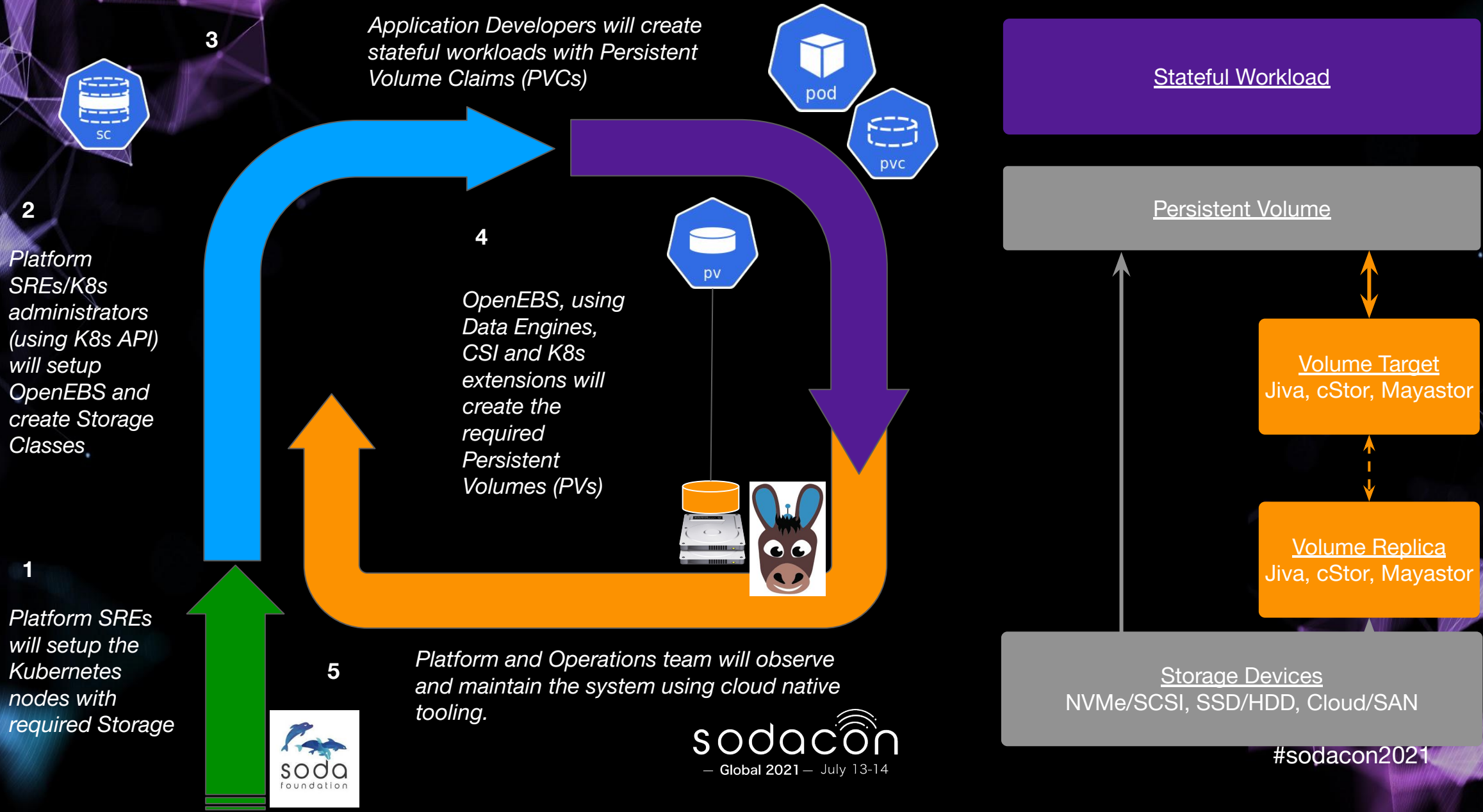
# Where does OpenEBS fit?



## Benefits

- Kubernetes native - ease of use and operations. integrates into the standard cloud native tooling
- Lower footprint. Flexible deployment options. Fastest NVMe Replicated Storage.
- Controlled and predictable blast radius. Easy to visualize the location of the data of an application or volume
- Horizontally scalable. Scale up and/or down
- Highly composable. Choice of data engines matching the node capabilities and storage requirements
- Open Source and Avoid vendor lock-in
- Cost optimized - operational

# How does Container Storage work?





# ODF for Container Storage

## Infra Provisioning

***Prepare the nodes prior to adding to K8s cluster or post cleanup activities. Node upgrades, attaching storage. Optimize Infrastructure Costs.***

- Node preparation
- Cluster and Node Lifecycle
- Disaggregated (Rack-scale) Data centers
- Multi-vendor and multi-product data stacks

## Volume Provisioning

***Augment K8s capabilities that can be used by Data(Application) Operators.***

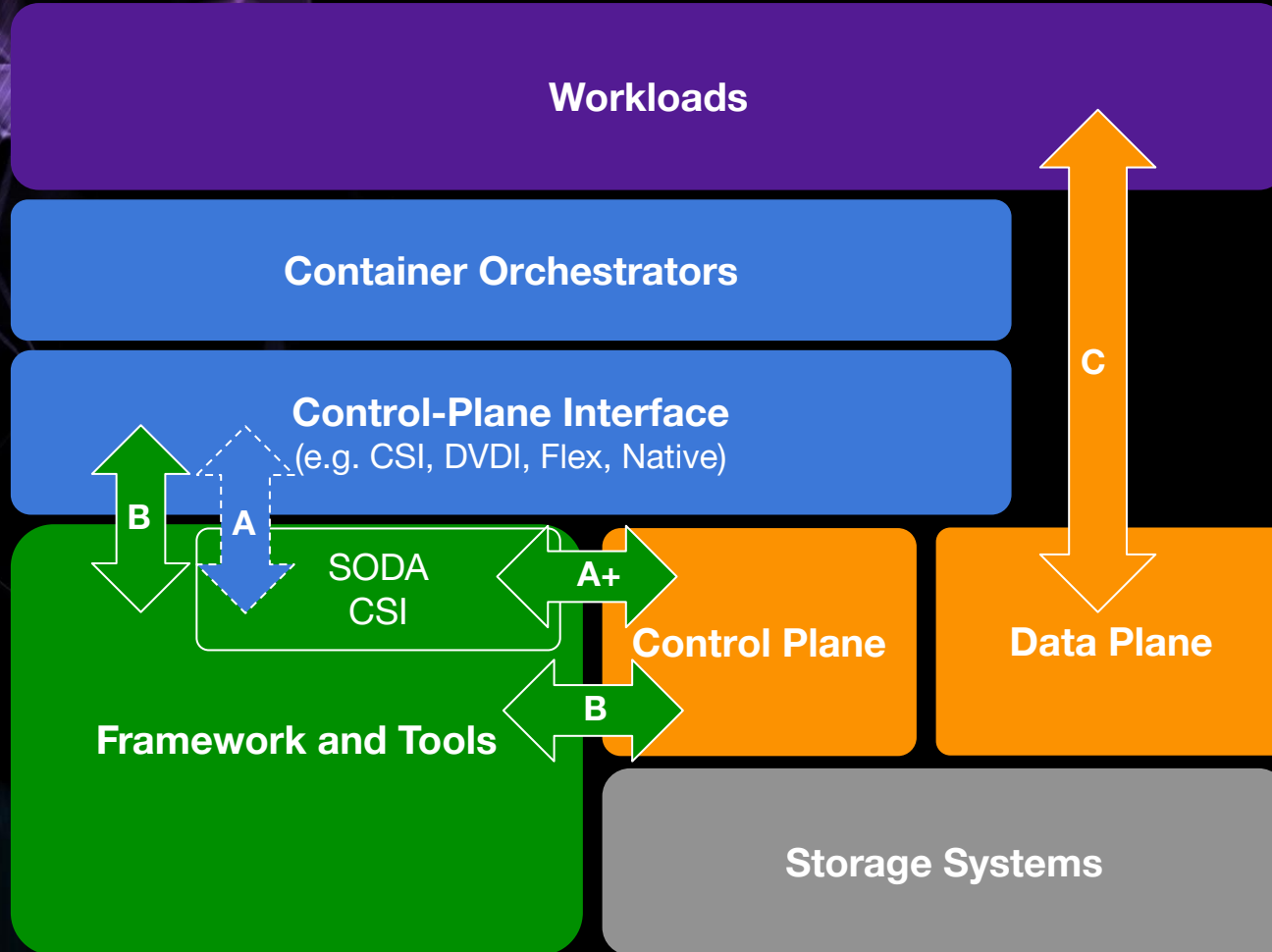
- Capacity / QoS Scheduling
- Fault Domains
- Volume Groups
- Network Hotspots

## Volume Lifecycle

***Manage the data beyond the life of a single K8s cluster. And beyond the application purview.***

- Application and Data Versioning
- Blue/Green Upgrades
- Data Migration
- Disaster Recovery / Cloud Native DR

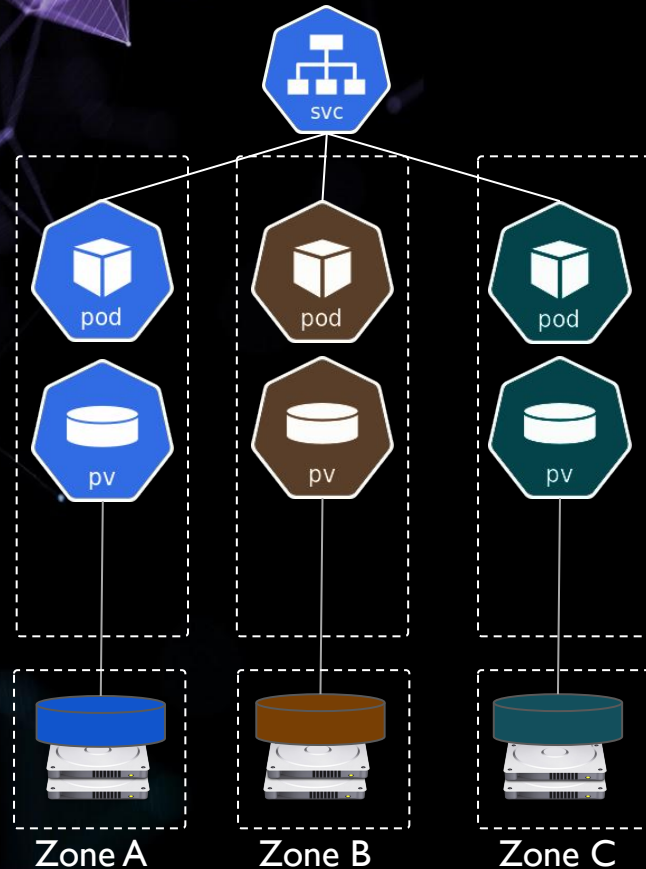
# How will SODA CSI enhance vendor capabilities?



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# How will SODA CSI help with Provisioning?



## Vanilla CSI

- 3 Different PVC requests
- There is no information on pods (other than pod name passed down to storage)
- There is no zone or tenant information passed down.
- Distributed applications using distributed storage. Even with single vendor - multiple storage classes.

## SODA CSI

- Standardized Class of Service
- Gather additional information about the pod/application/tenant and pass along with the (pass through) storage requests.
- Vendors are ready, but CSI isn't. As CSI gets augmented transparently remove additional layers.
- Abstract the data migration capabilities that almost always differ from vendor to vendor from the application layer.



# Container Storage Next...?

ODF

STaaS Support  
Data Protection  
Monitoring

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(Pain Points)

Performance  
Scalability  
Cost



High Demand  
Lack of Maturity  
Lack of Tools

Industry

Storage Vendors v/s Cloud Vendors  
Block v/s File v/s Object  
Open Solutions v/s Vendor Locked  
Storage box v/s Storage Ecosystem

# Waana Bootstrap..?

Kubernetes Storage Concepts

<https://kubernetes.io/docs/concepts/storage/>

CSI Intro

<https://kubernetes-csi.github.io/docs/>

Understand the basics plus more of Storage Area Networks SAN and Network Attached Storage NAS :

<https://www.udemy.com/share/101wGG2@PkdgV11cQ1clc0JAO0tNVD1u/>

OpenEBS

<https://github.com/openebs/openebs>

Google More!

Join SODA Slack (<https://sodafoundation.io/slack>) to discuss and work on it! :)



# Thank you

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