Kubernetes 101

A Cluster Operating System

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Who is familiar with Linux containers technology (like Docker)?

What is Kubernetes?

- Kubernetes is a container management/orchestration system
- It runs and manages containerized applications on a cluster
- What does that really mean?

Kubernetes, basic features

- Start 5 containers using image atseashop/api:v1.3
  - Place an internal load balancer in front of these containers
- Start 10 containers using image atseashop/webfront:v1.3
  - Place a public load balancer in front of these containers
- It's Black Friday (or Christmas), traffic spikes, grow our cluster and add containers
- New release! Replace my containers with the new image atseashop/webfront:v1.4
- Keep processing requests during the upgrade; update my containers one at a time

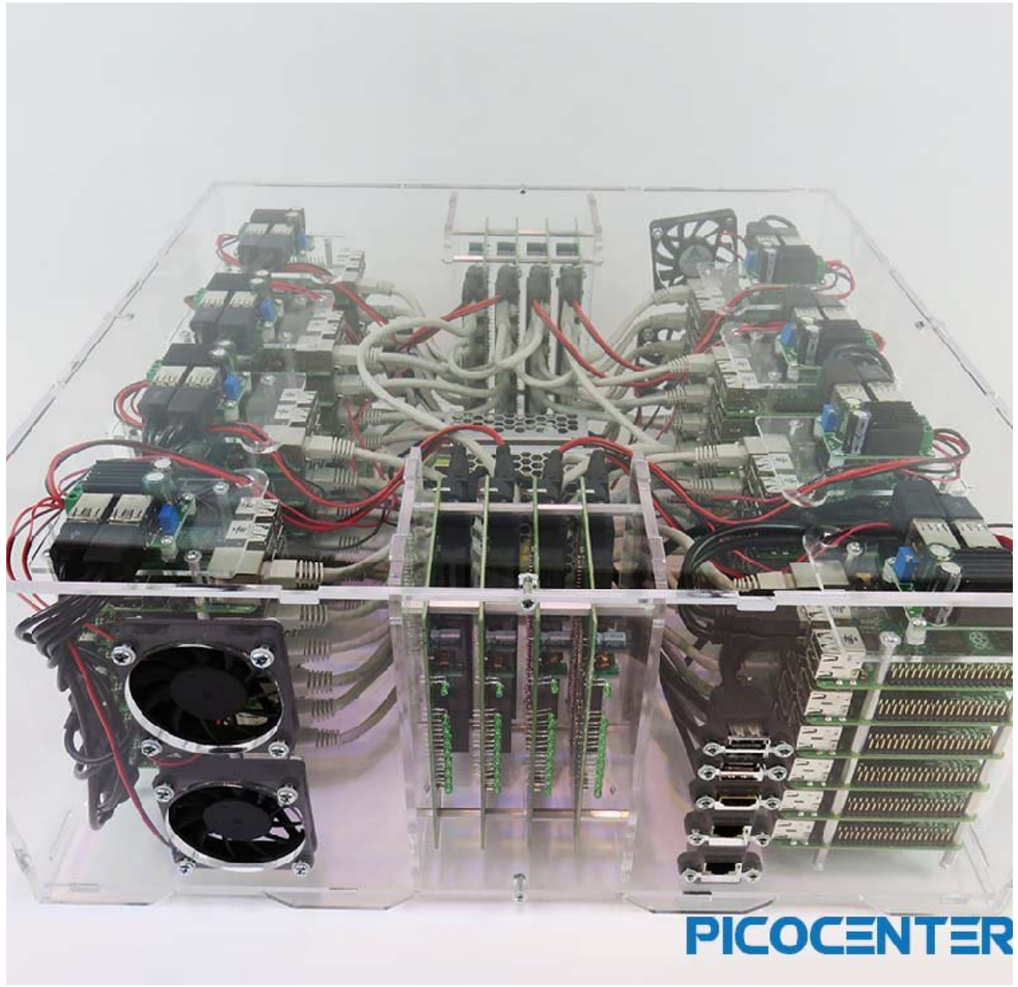
Kubernetes, advanced features

- Autoscaling
- Blue/green deployment, canary deployment
- Long running services, but also batch (one-off) jobs
- Overcommit the cluster and evict low-priority jobs
- Run services with stateful data (databases etc.)
- Fine-grained access control defining what can be done by whom on which resources
- Integrating third party services (service catalog)
- Automating complex tasks (operators)

What is a cluster?

A Kubernetes cluster is a set of nodes. A node is either

- Bare iron machine
- Virtual machine



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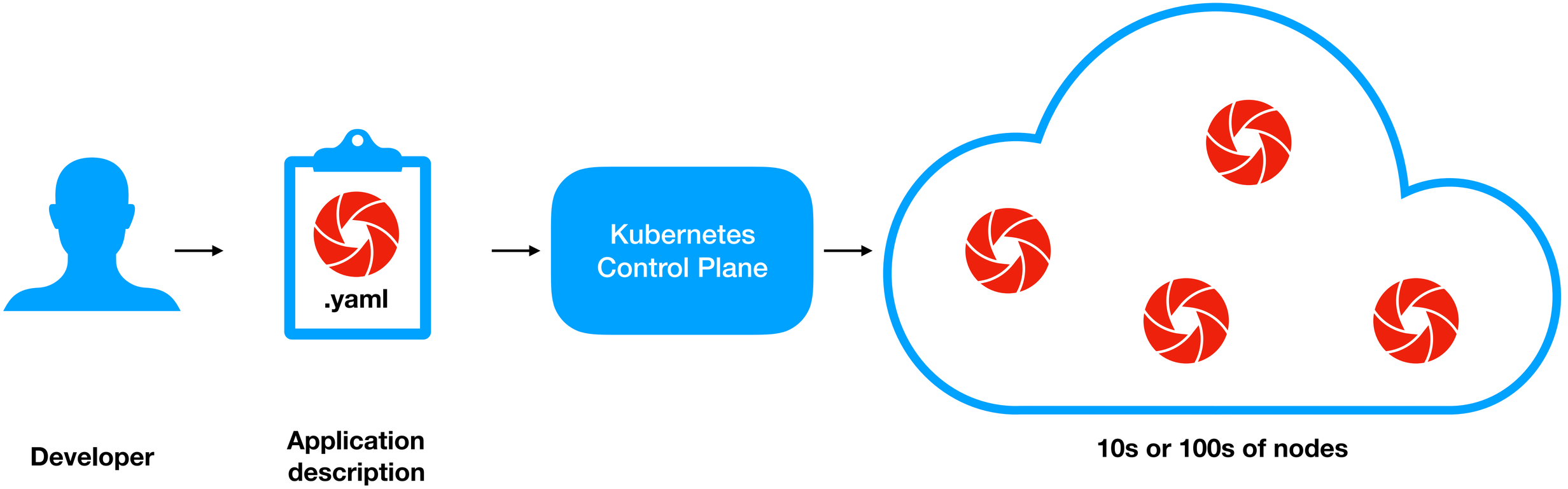

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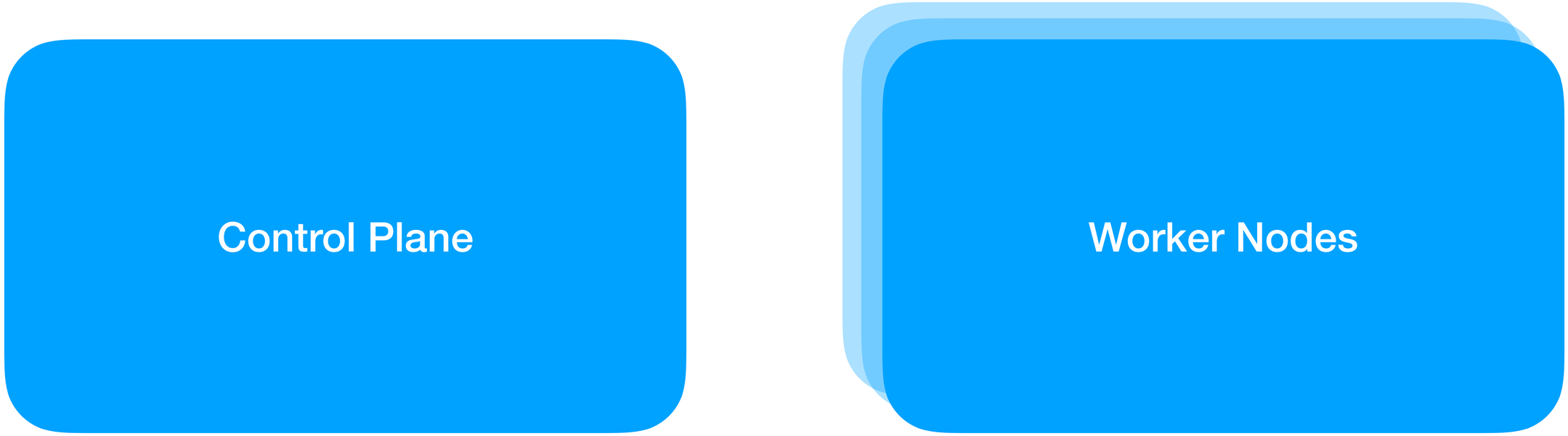

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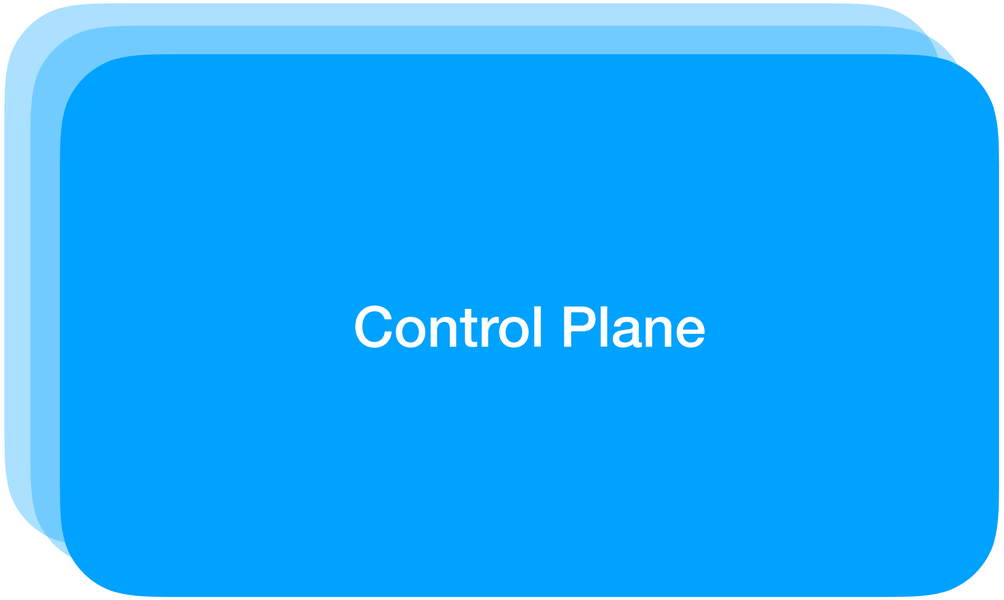

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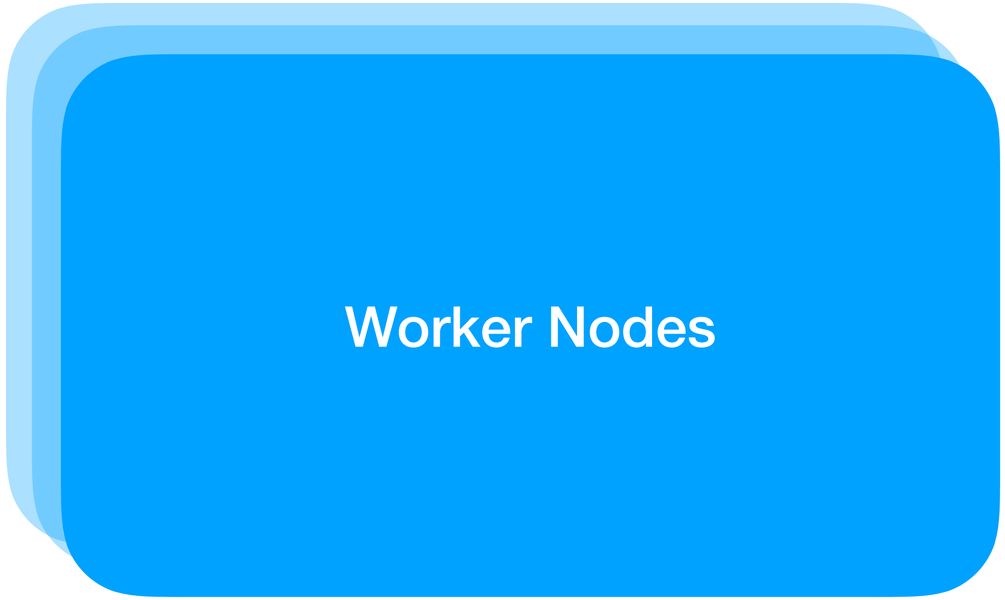

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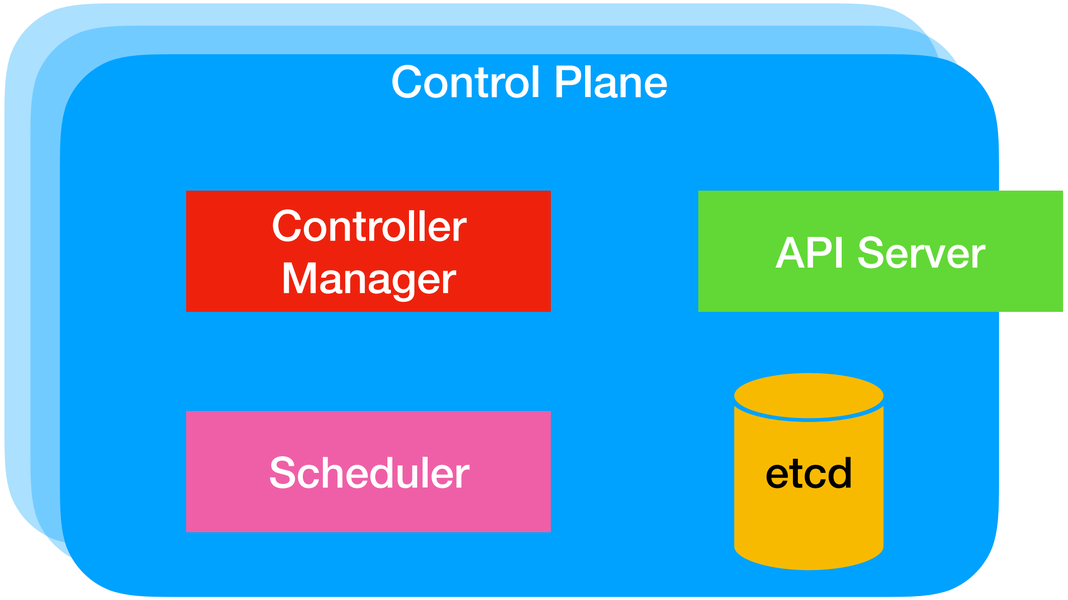

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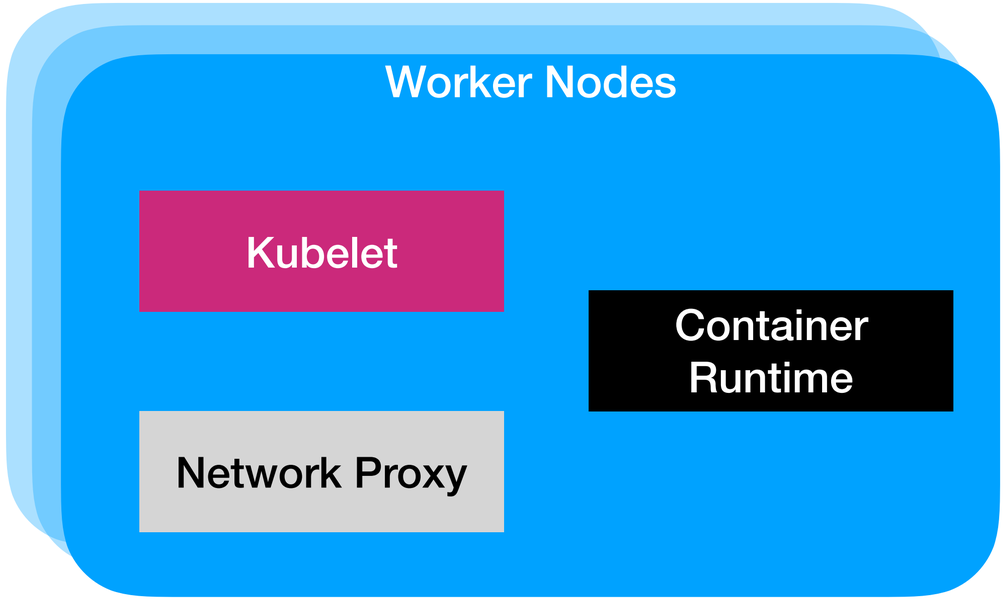

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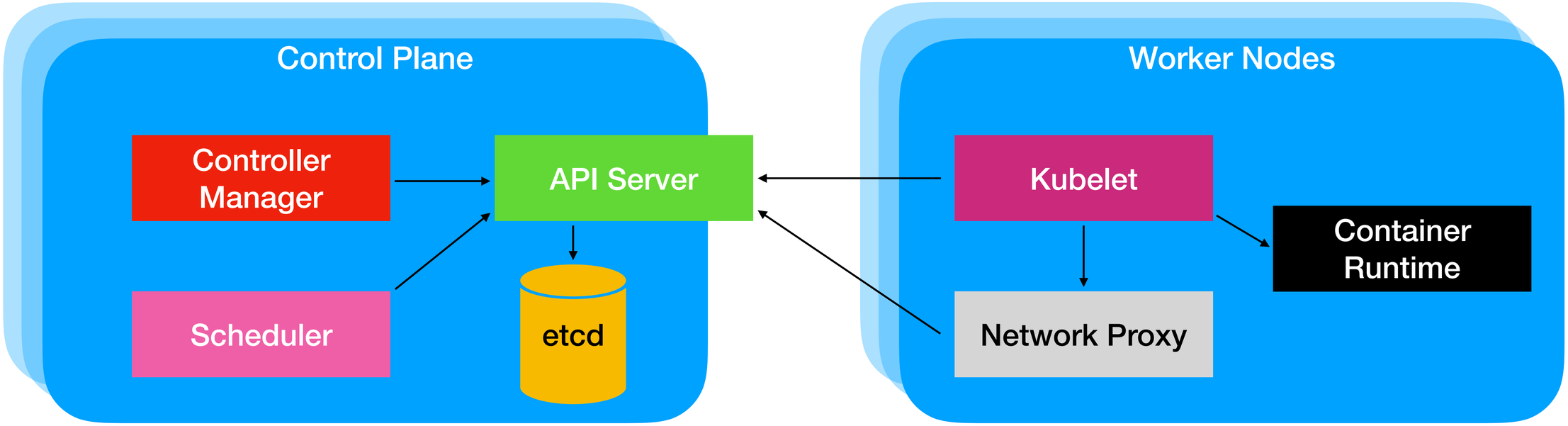

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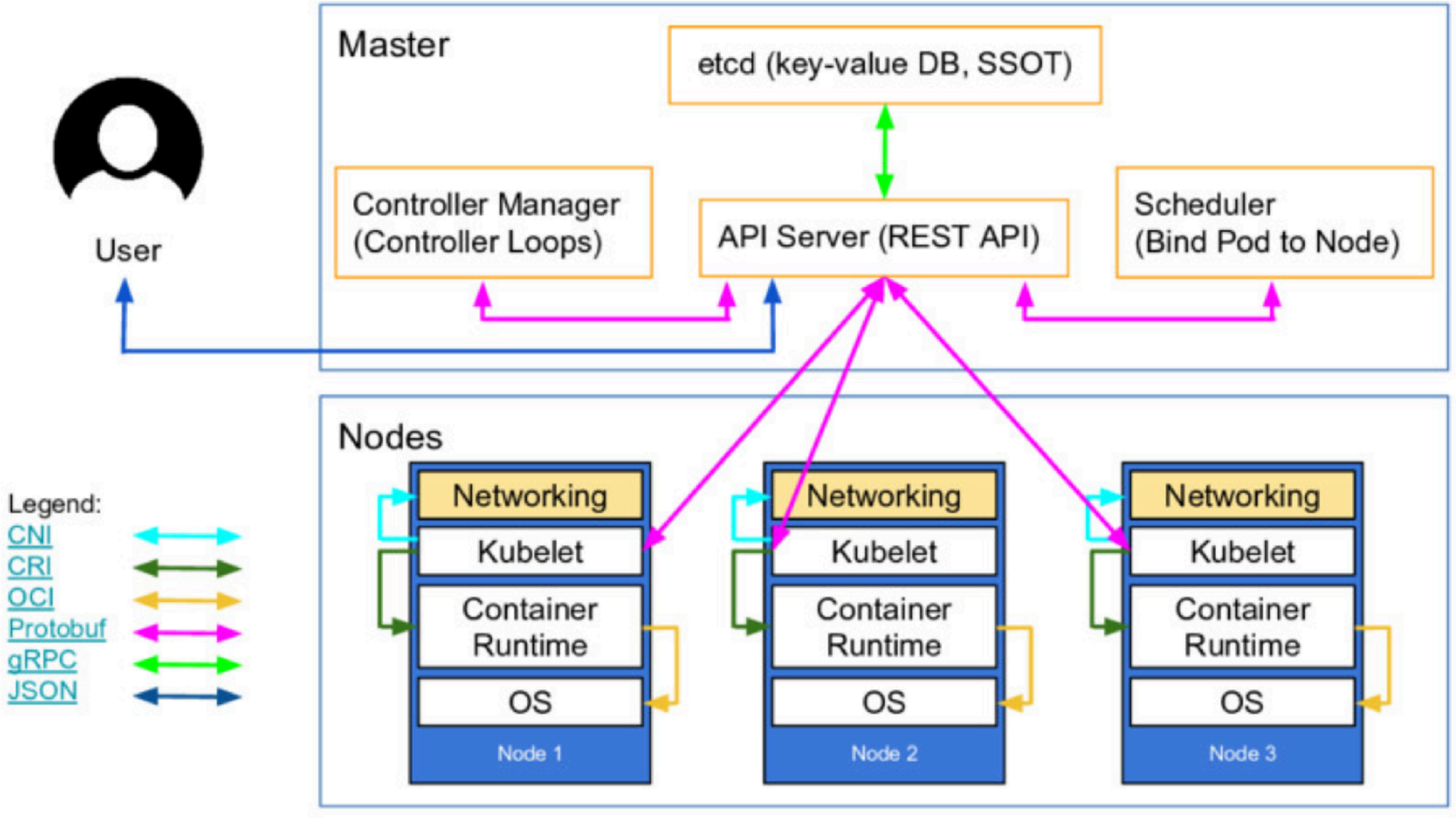

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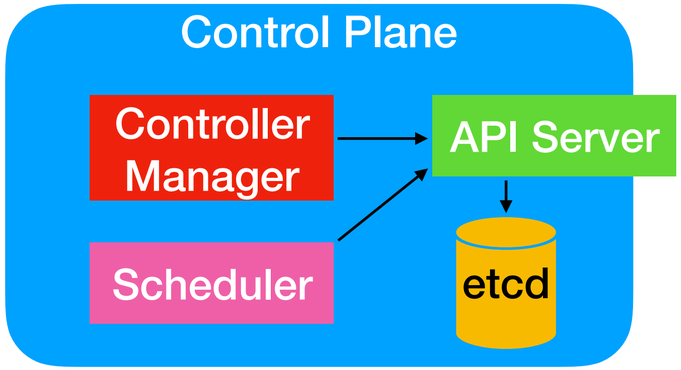
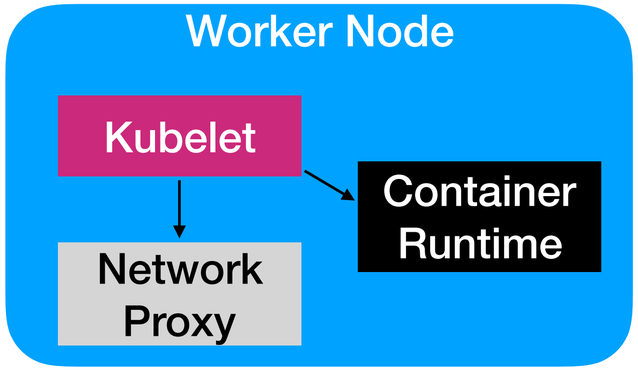
Control Plane



Multiple components that can run on a single master node or be split across multiple (master) nodes and replicated to ensure high availability:

- **API Server**: communication center for developers, sysadmin and other Kubernetes components
- **Scheduler**: assigns a worker node to each deployable component
- **Controller Manager**: performs cluster-level functions (replication, keeping track of worker nodes, handling nodes failures…)
- **etcd**: reliable distributed data store where the cluster configuration is persisted

Worker Node



Machines that run containerized applications. It runs, monitors and provides services to applications via components:

Docker, rkt, or another container runtime: runs the containers

Kubelet: talks to API server and manages containers on its node

Network Proxy: load balance network traffic between application components

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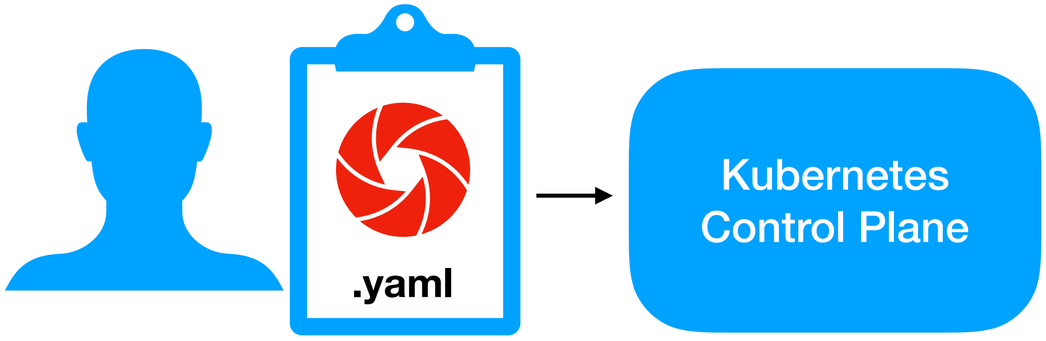

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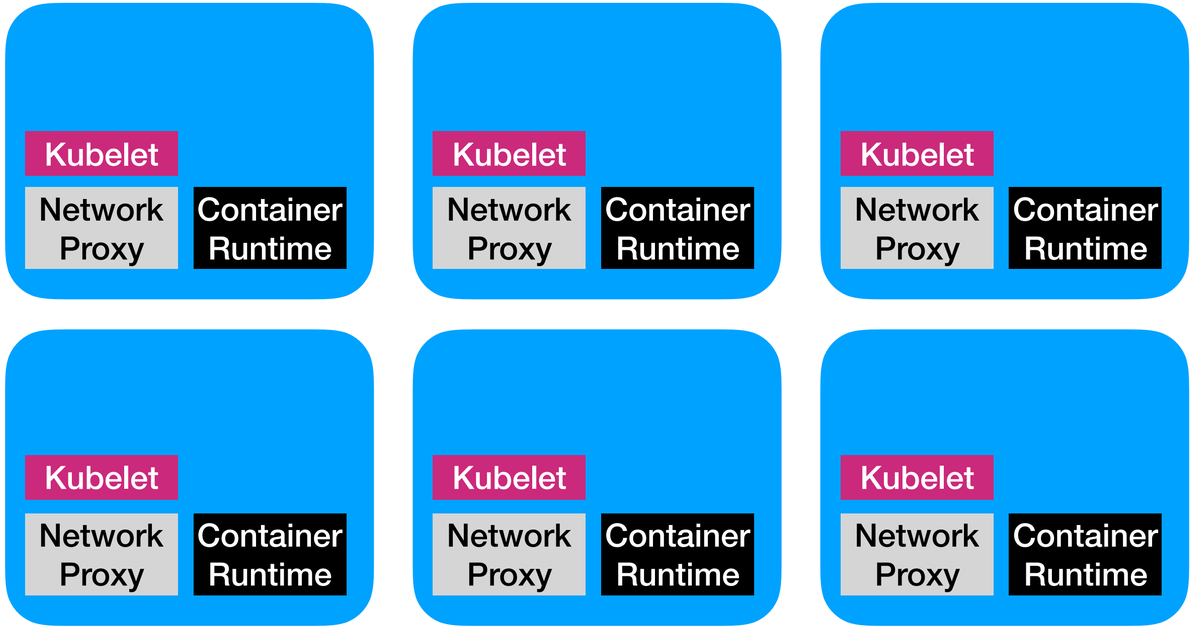

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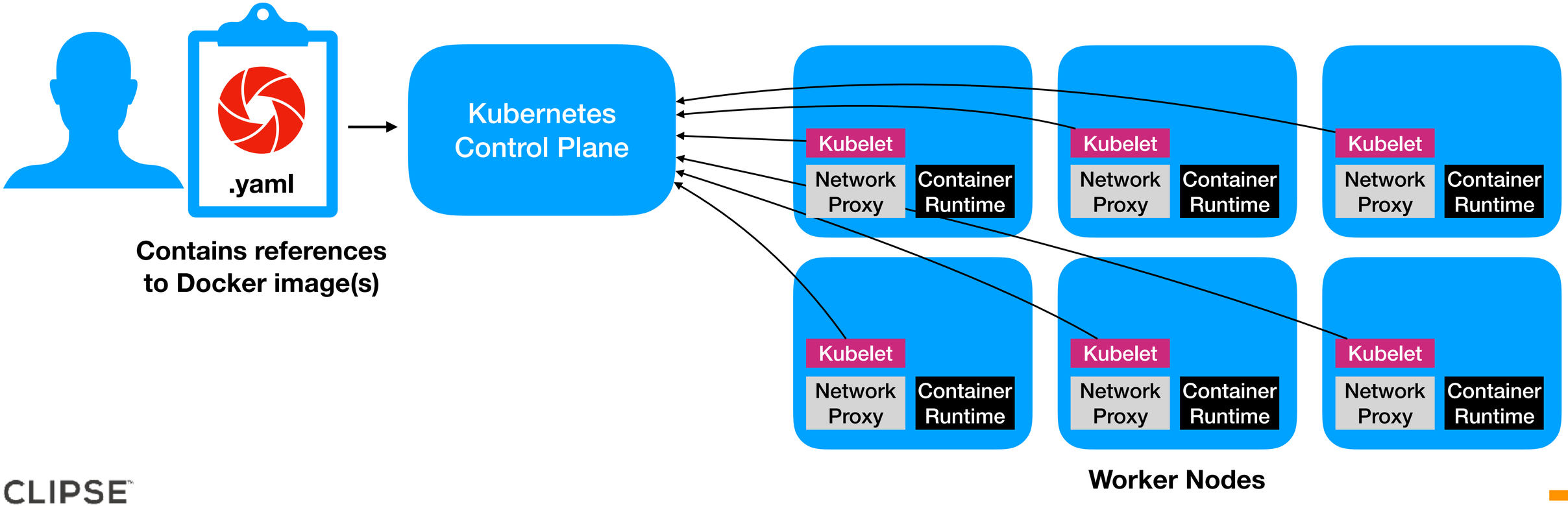

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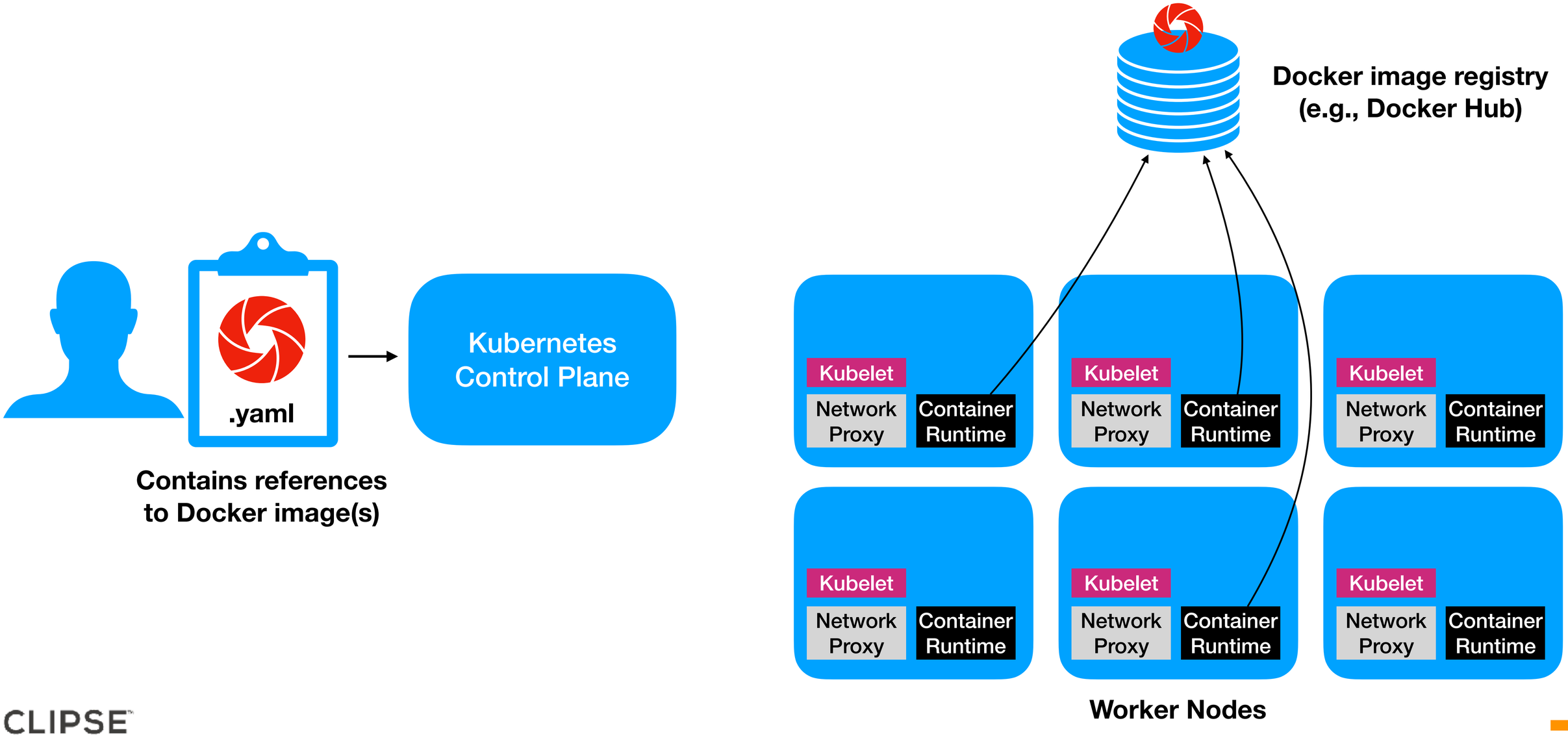

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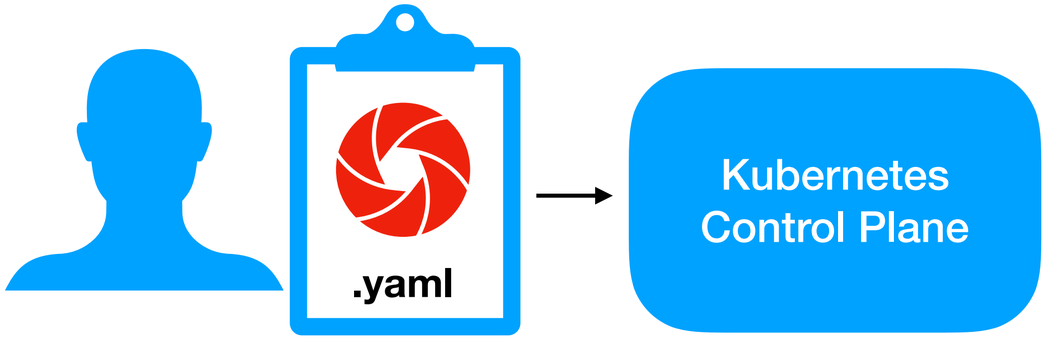

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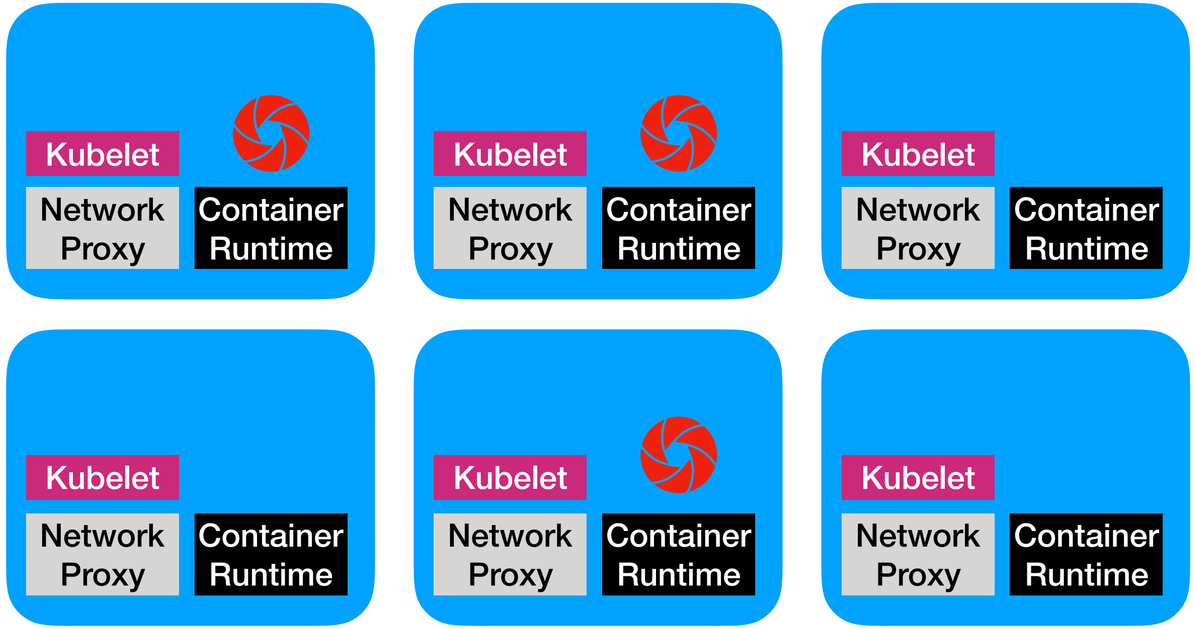

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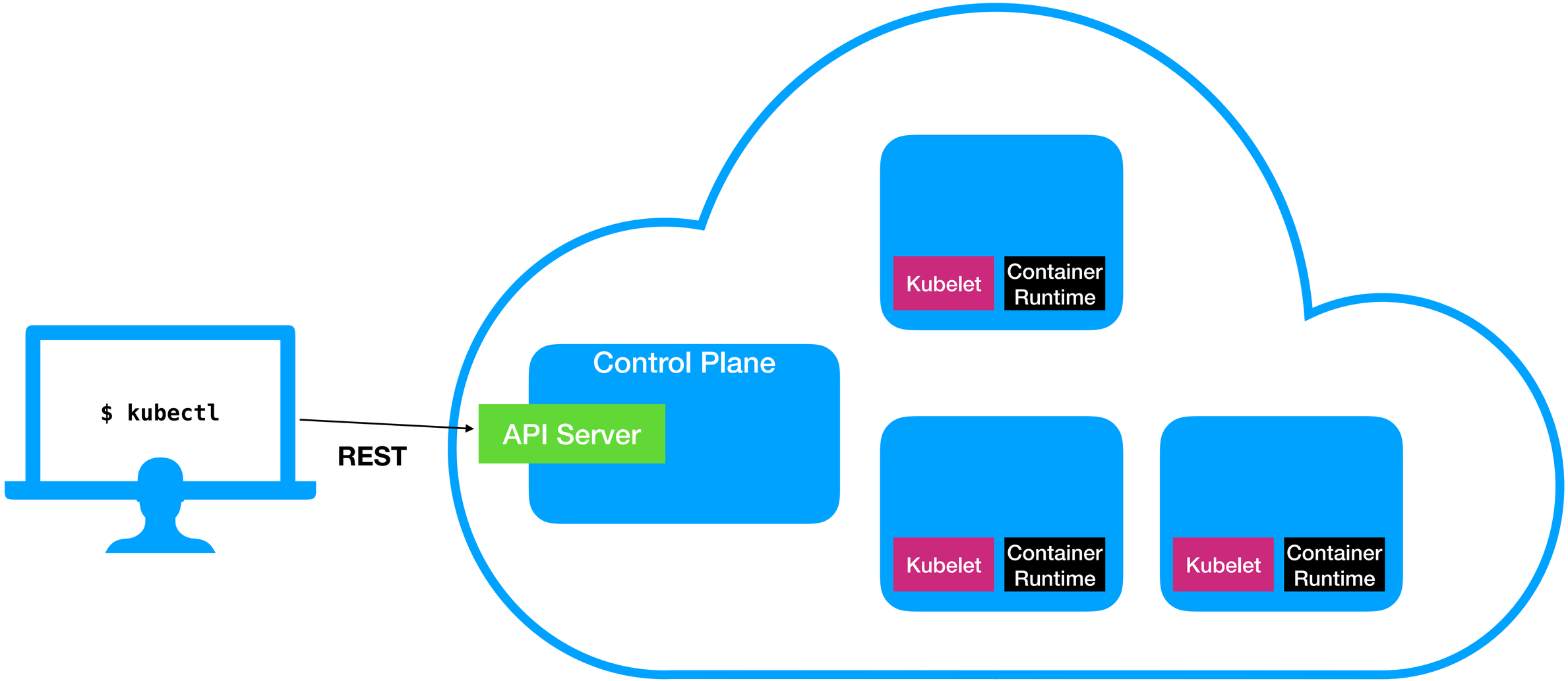

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```
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Running a container in a Pod

```
$ kubectl run kubernetes-bootcamp --image=gcr.io/google-samples/kubernetes-bootcamp:v1
--port=8080
deployment.apps "kubernetes-bootcamp" created

$ kubectl get deployments
NAME                  DESIRED   CURRENT   UP-TO-DATE   AVAILABLE   AGE
kubernetes-bootcamp   1         1         1            1           35s
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Behind the scene

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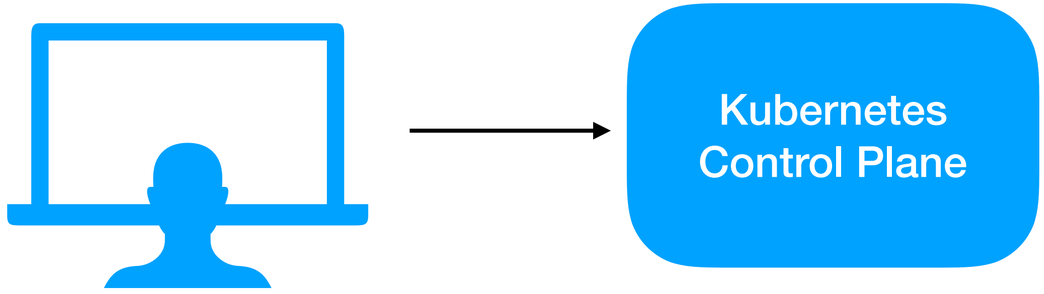


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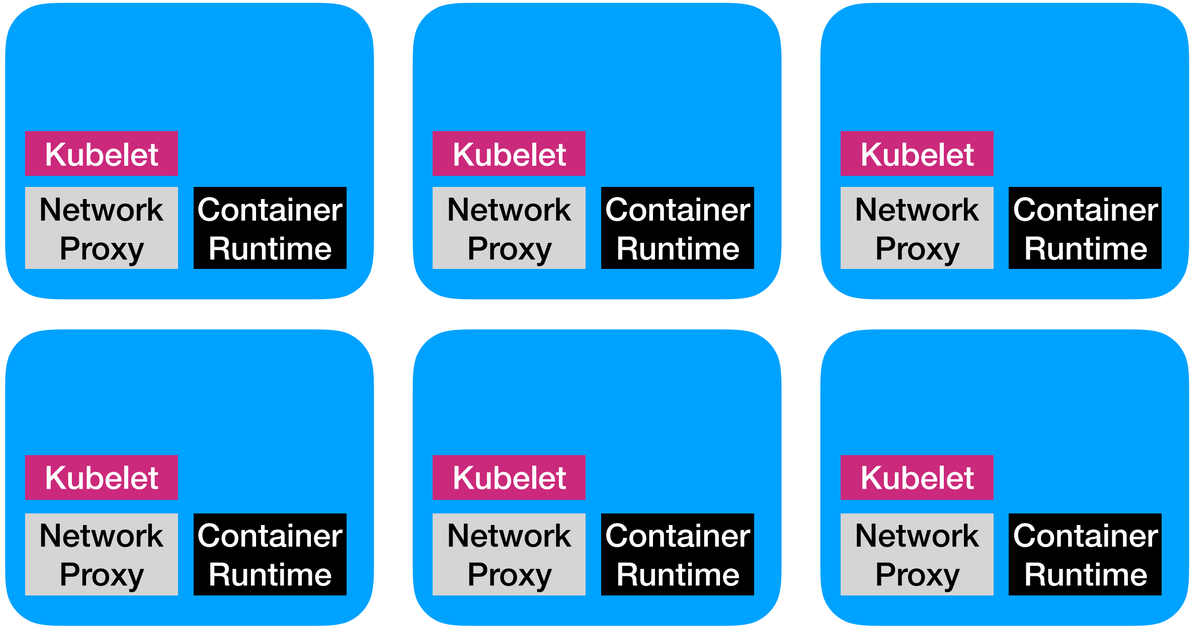

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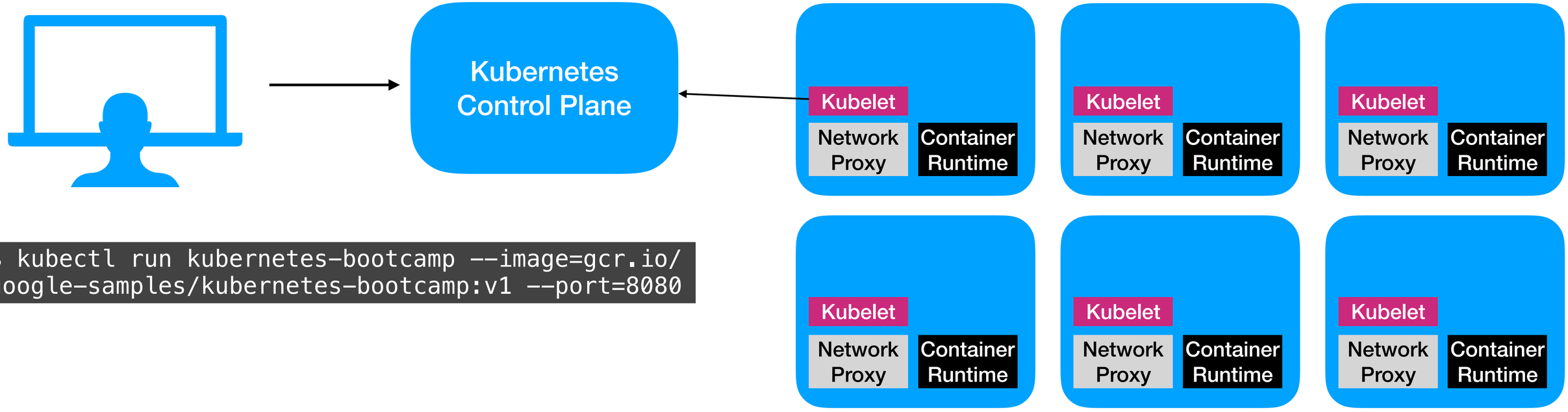


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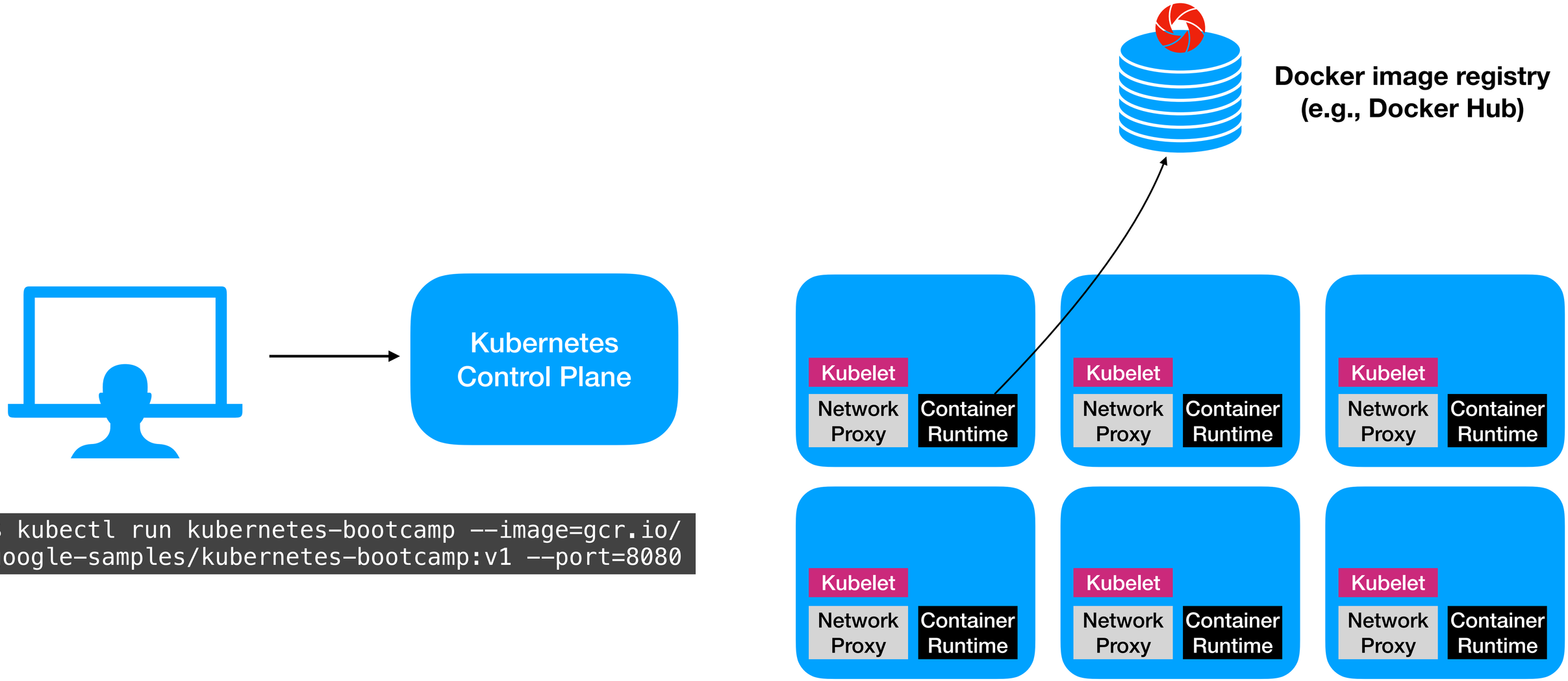


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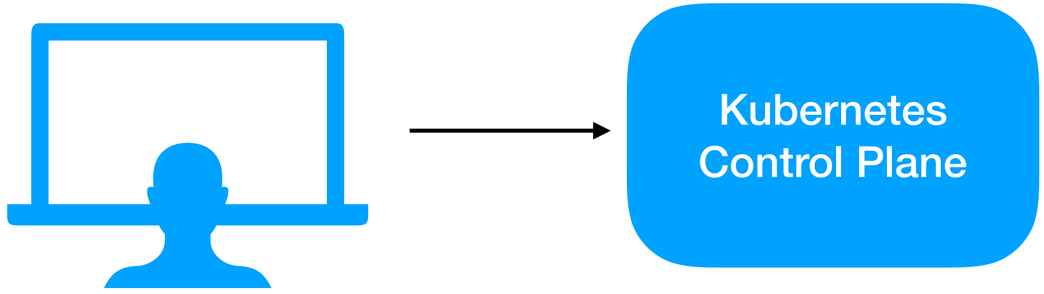


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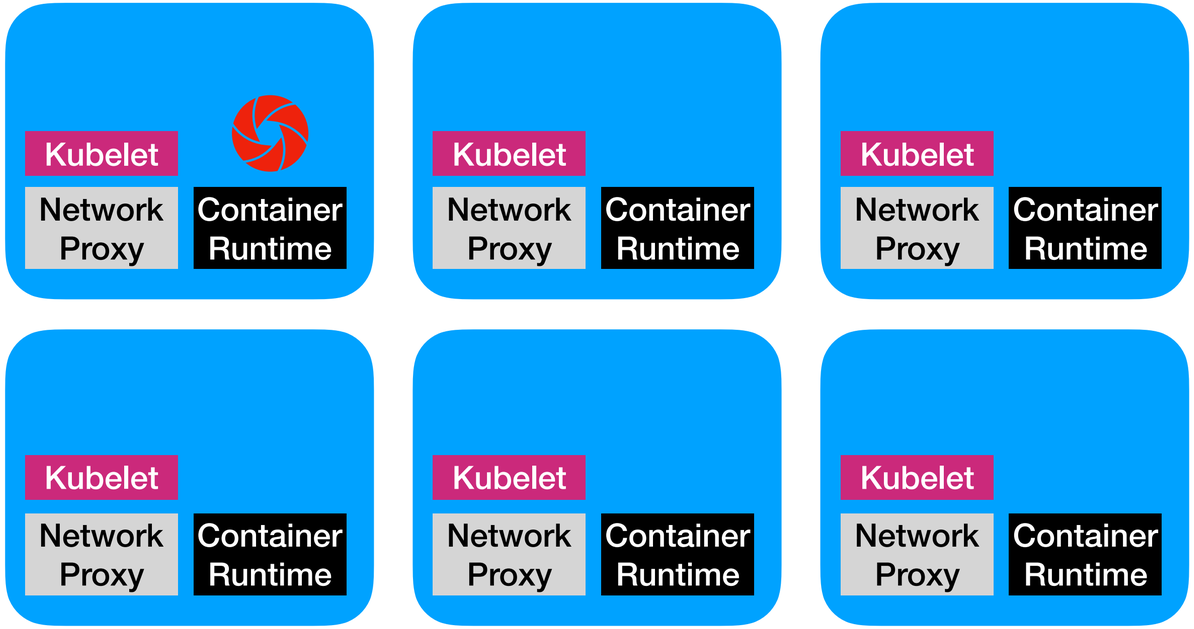

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```
apiVersion: extensions/v1beta1
kind: Deployment
metadata:
    name: kubernetes-bootcamp
spec:
    replicas: 1
    selector:
        matchLabels:
            run: kubernetes-bootcamp
    template:
        metadata:
            labels:
                run: kubernetes-bootcamp
        spec:
            containers:
            - image: gcr.io/google-samples/kubernetes-bootcamp:v1
              name: kubernetes-bootcamp
              ports:
              - containerPort: 8080
```

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Exposing the container

```
$ kubectl expose deployment/kubernetes-bootcamp --type="NodePort" --port 8080
service "kubernetes-bootcamp" exposed

$ kubectl get services
NAME                  TYPE        CLUSTER-IP       EXTERNAL-IP   PORT(S)          AGE
kubernetes-bootcamp   NodePort    10.107.211.130   <none>        8080:32437/TCP   46s
$ kubectl describe services/kubernetes-bootcamp
Name:                     kubernetes-bootcamp
Namespace:                default
Labels:                   run=kubernetes-bootcamp
Annotations:              <none>
Selector:                 run=kubernetes-bootcamp
Type:                     NodePort
IP:                       10.107.211.130
Port:                     <unset>  8080/TCP
TargetPort:               8080/TCP
NodePort:                 <unset>  32437/TCP
Endpoints:                172.18.0.4:8080
Session Affinity:         None
External Traffic Policy:  Cluster
Events:                   <none>
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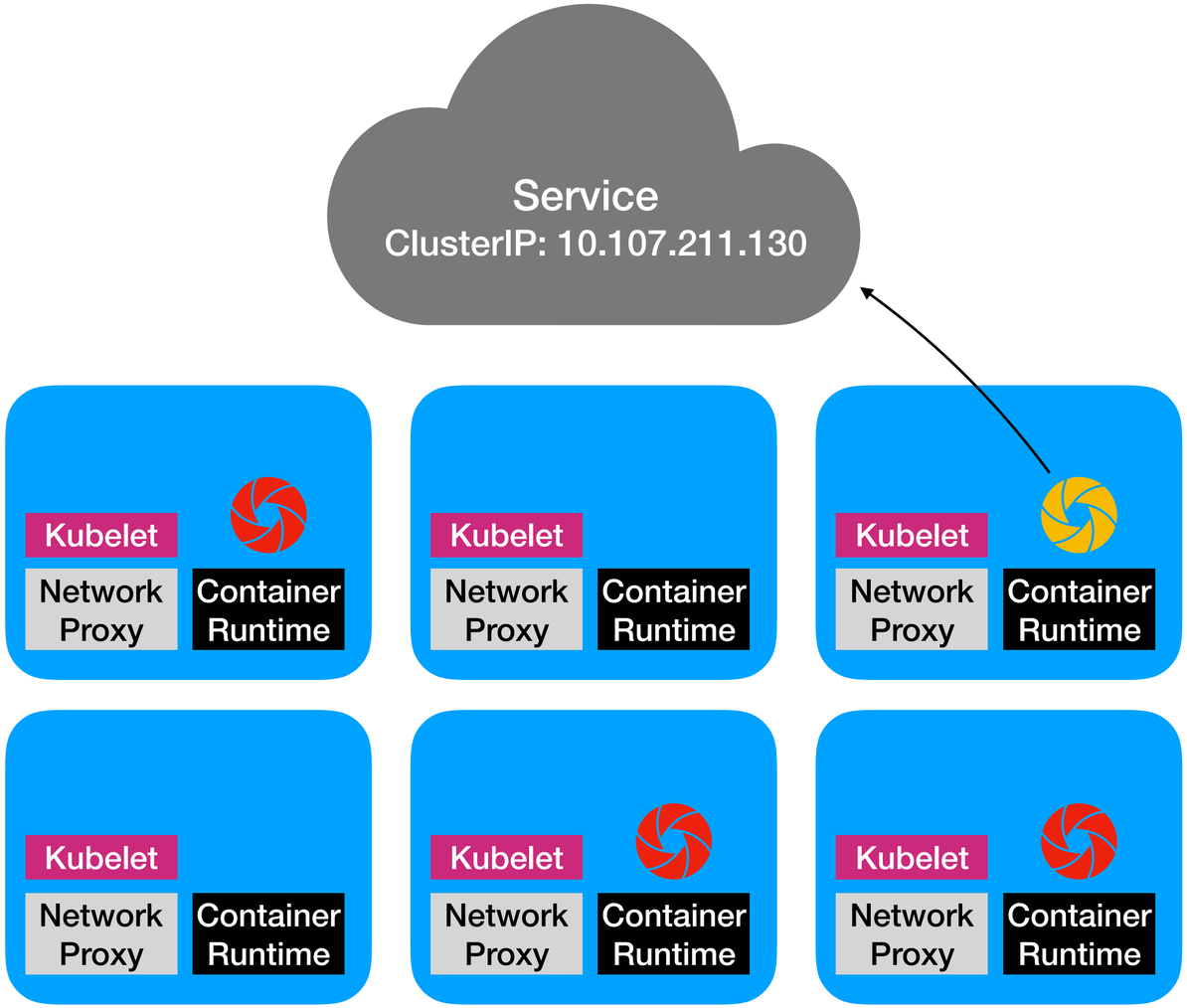

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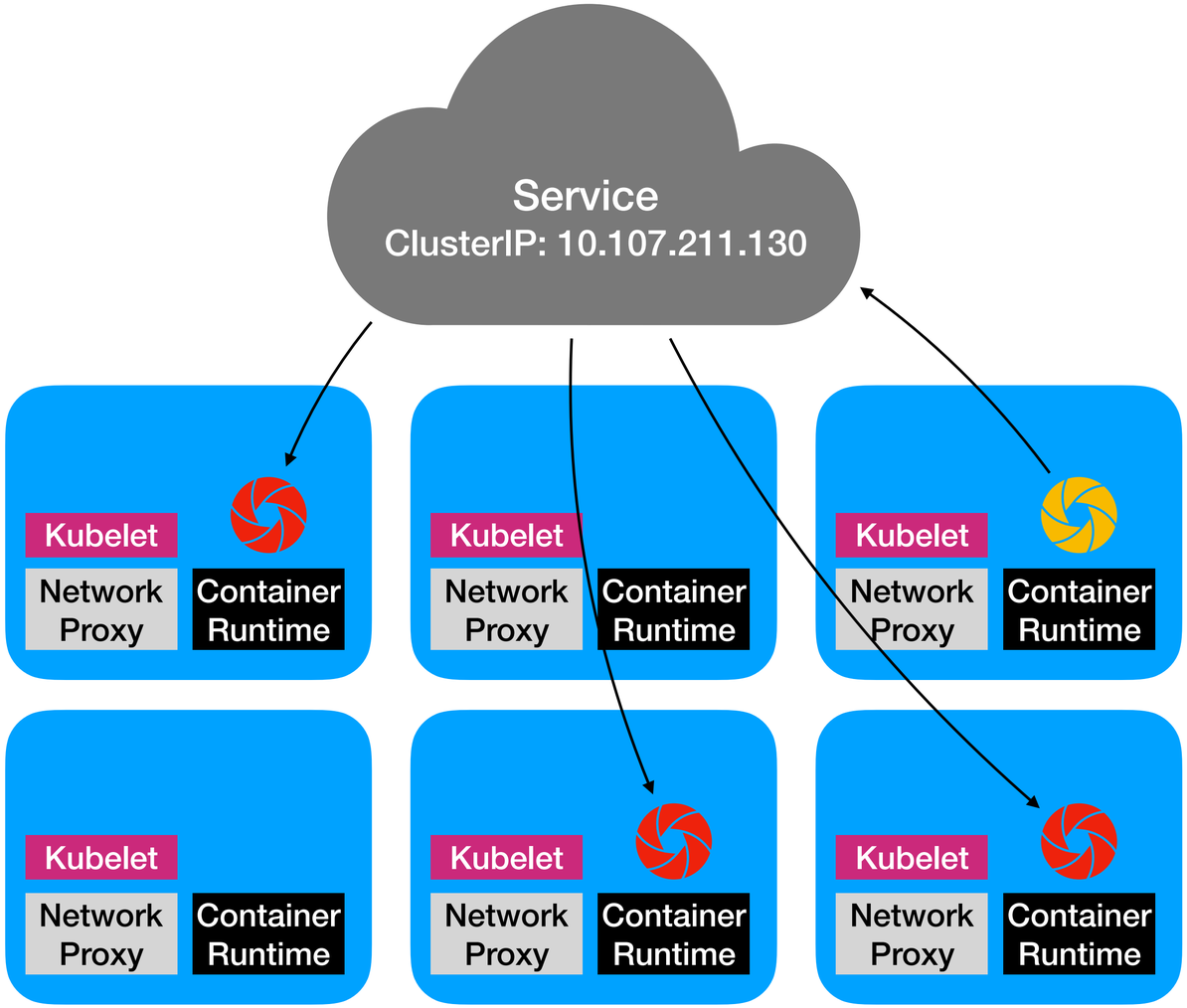

Scaling the application

```
$ kubectl get deployments
NAME                  DESIRED   CURRENT   UP-TO-DATE   AVAILABLE   AGE
kubernetes-bootcamp   1         1         1            0           3s
$ kubectl get pods
NAME                                   READY     STATUS    RESTARTS   AGE
kubernetes-bootcamp-5c69669756-k9b6g   1/1       Running   0          50s

$ kubectl scale deployments/kubernetes-bootcamp --replicas=4
deployment.extensions "kubernetes-bootcamp" scaled

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kubernetes-bootcamp   4         4         4            4           25s
$ kubectl get pods
NAME                                   READY     STATUS    RESTARTS   AGE
kubernetes-bootcamp-5c69669756-7bhhj   1/1       Running   0          28s
kubernetes-bootcamp-5c69669756-bz49n   1/1       Running   0          28s
kubernetes-bootcamp-5c69669756-gvcrr   1/1       Running   0          28s
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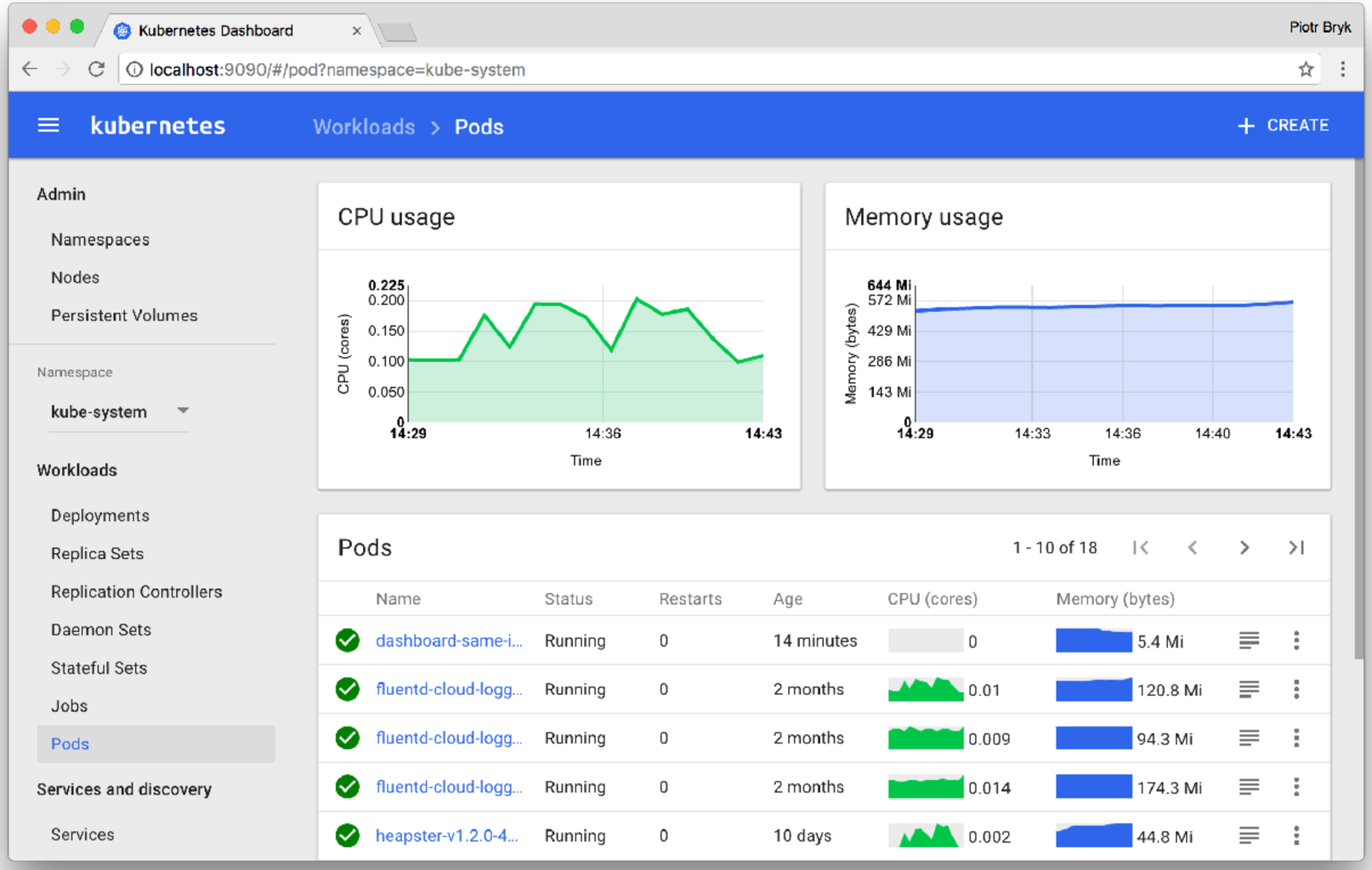
Dashboard



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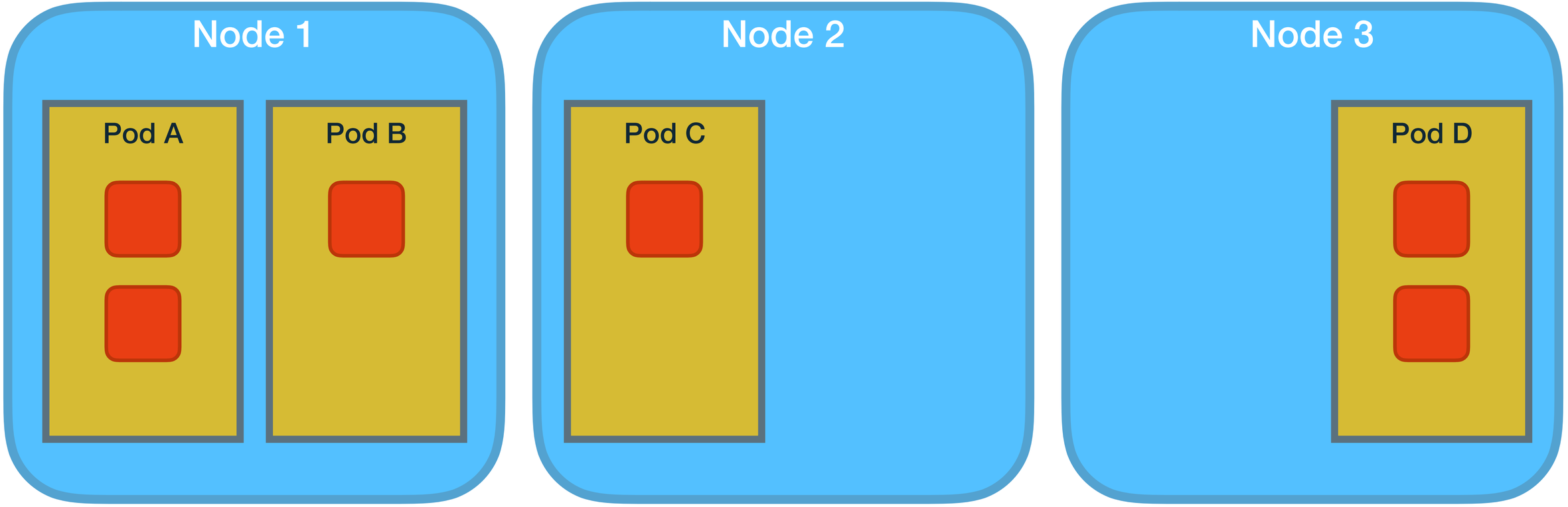

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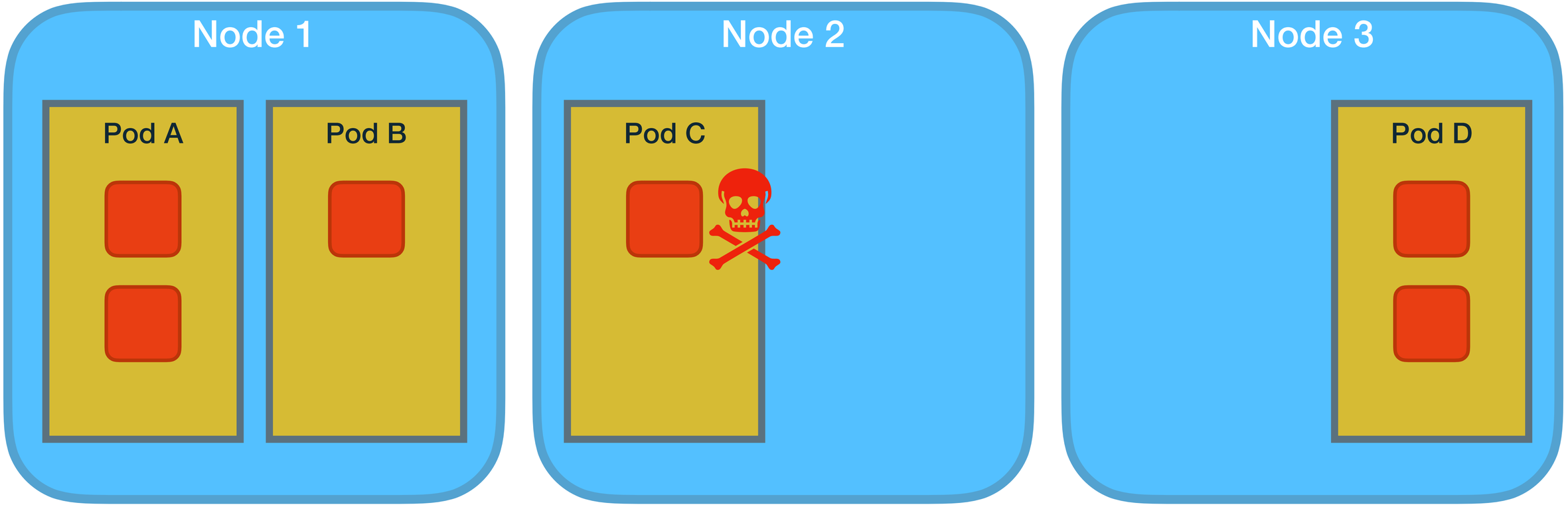

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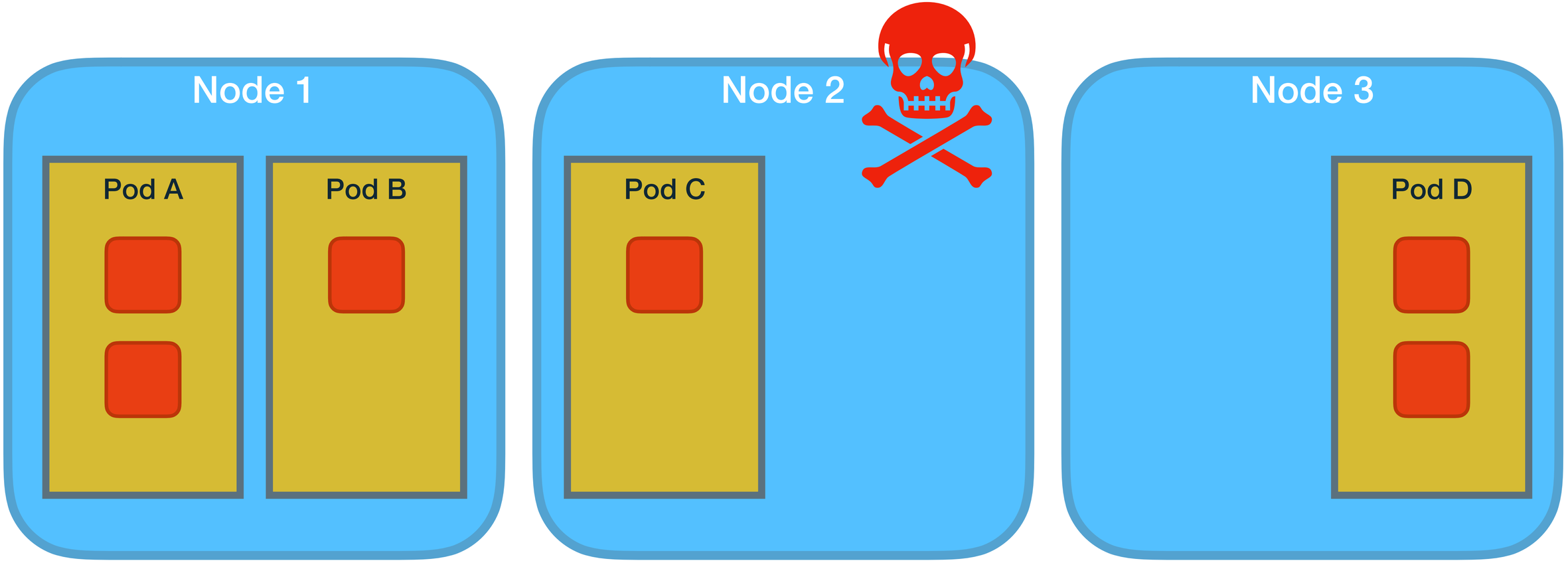

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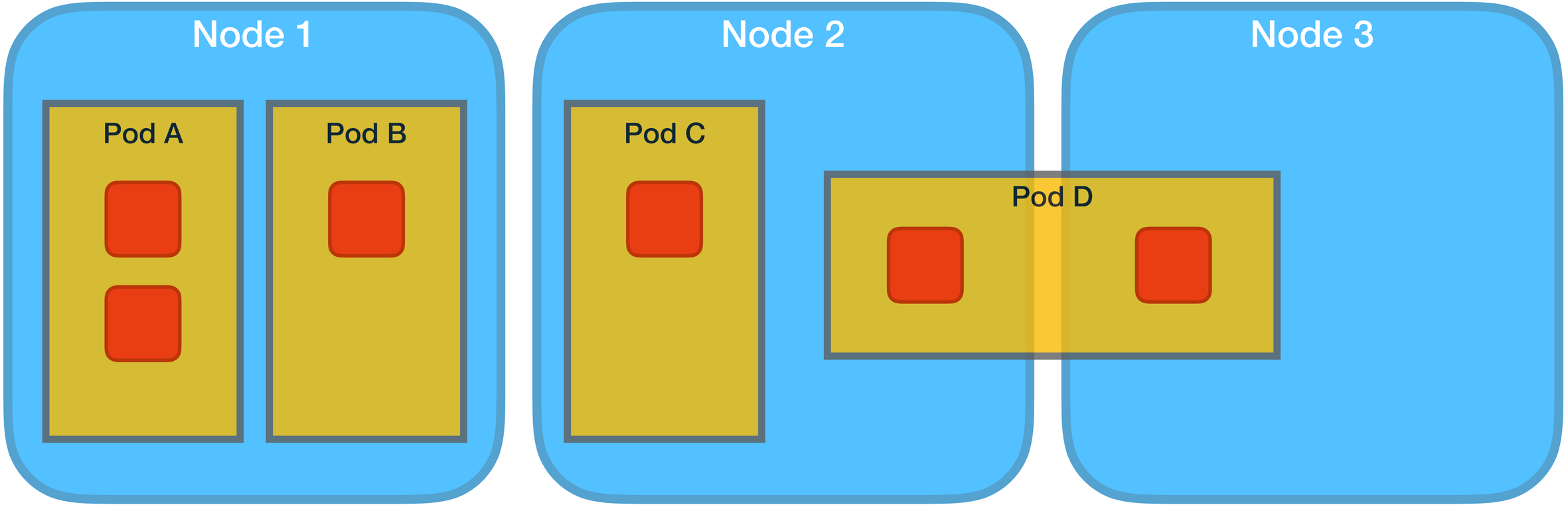

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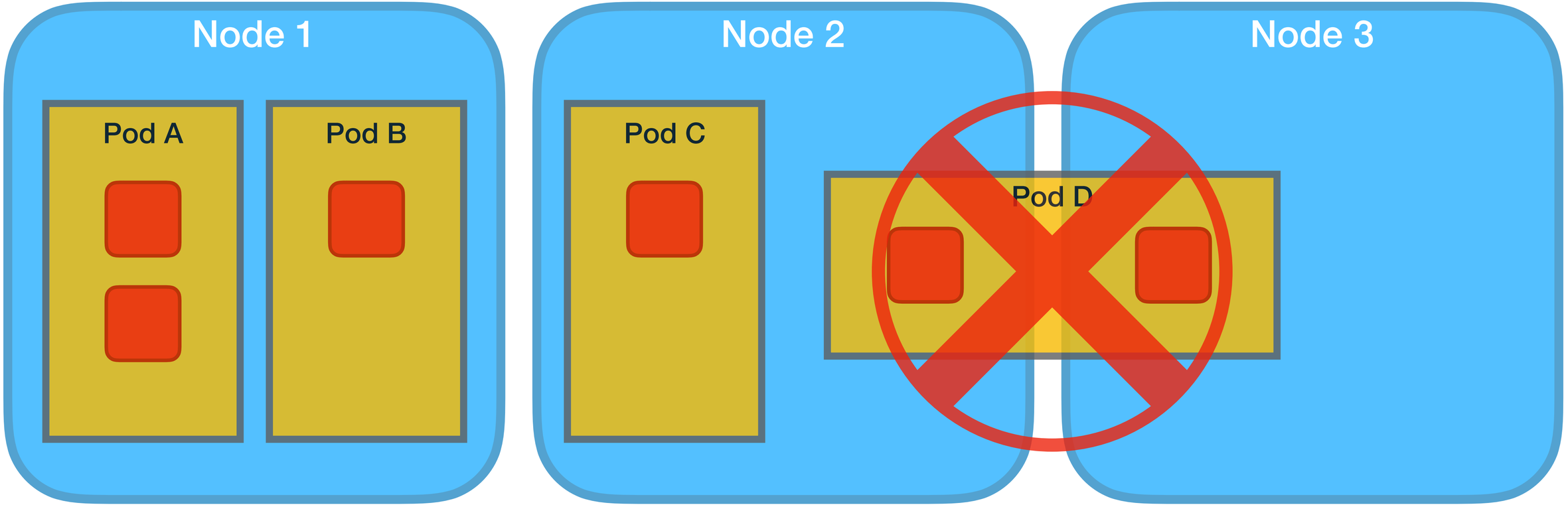

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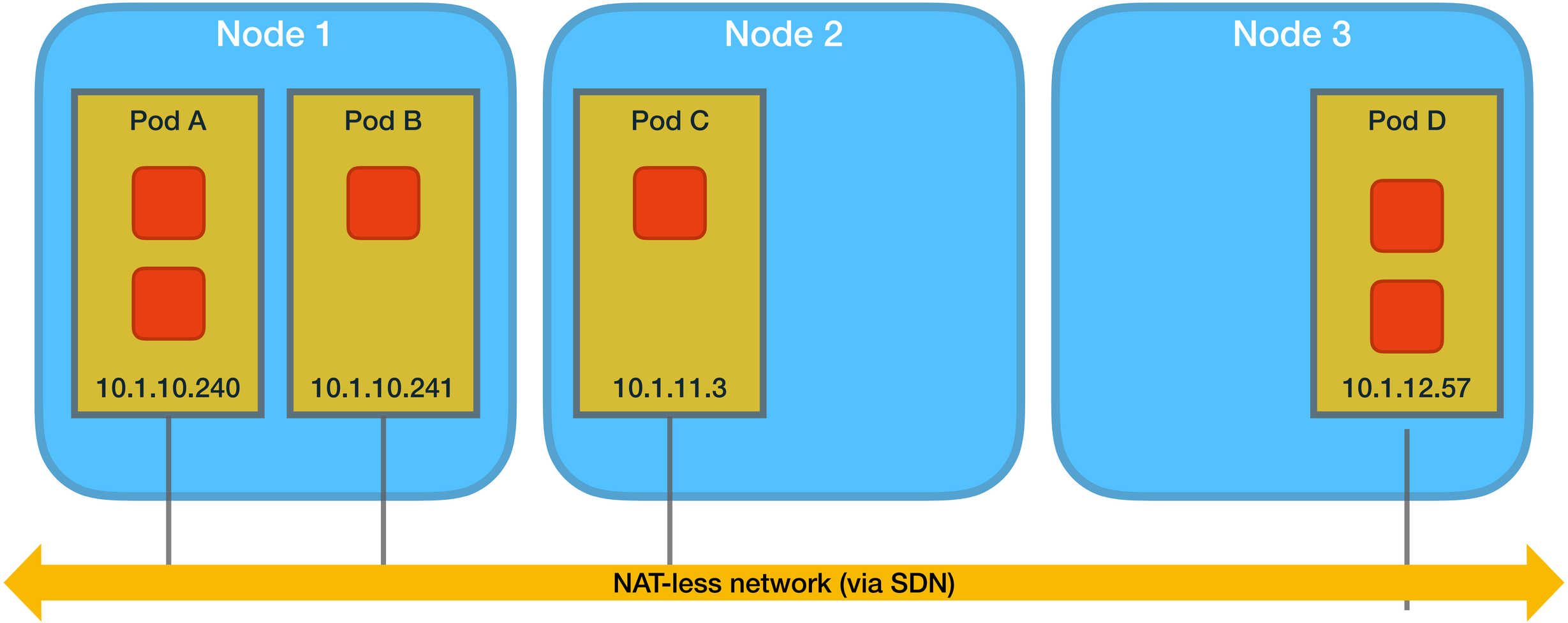

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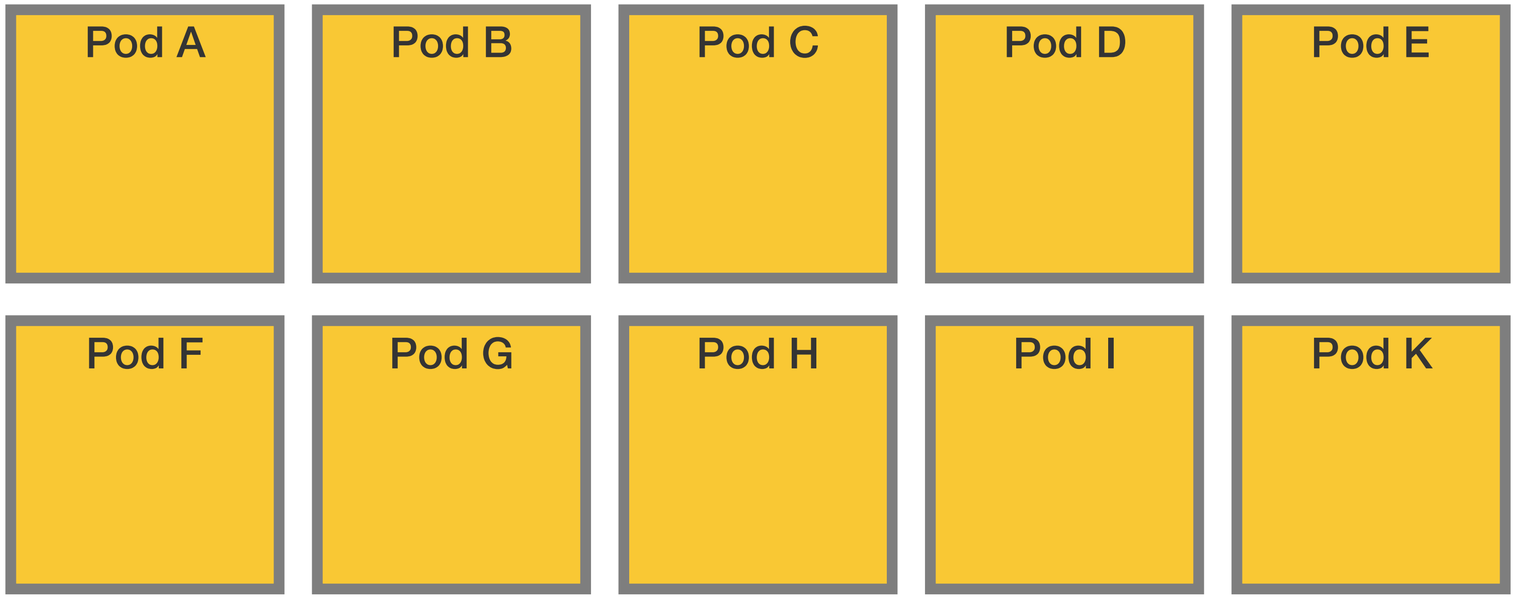
```
apiVersion: v1
kind: Pod
metadata:
  name: ecf-k8s-101
spec:
  containers:
  - image: nginx
    name: static-nginx
    ports:
    - containerPort: 8080
      protocol: TCP
```

Concept #2 — Labels



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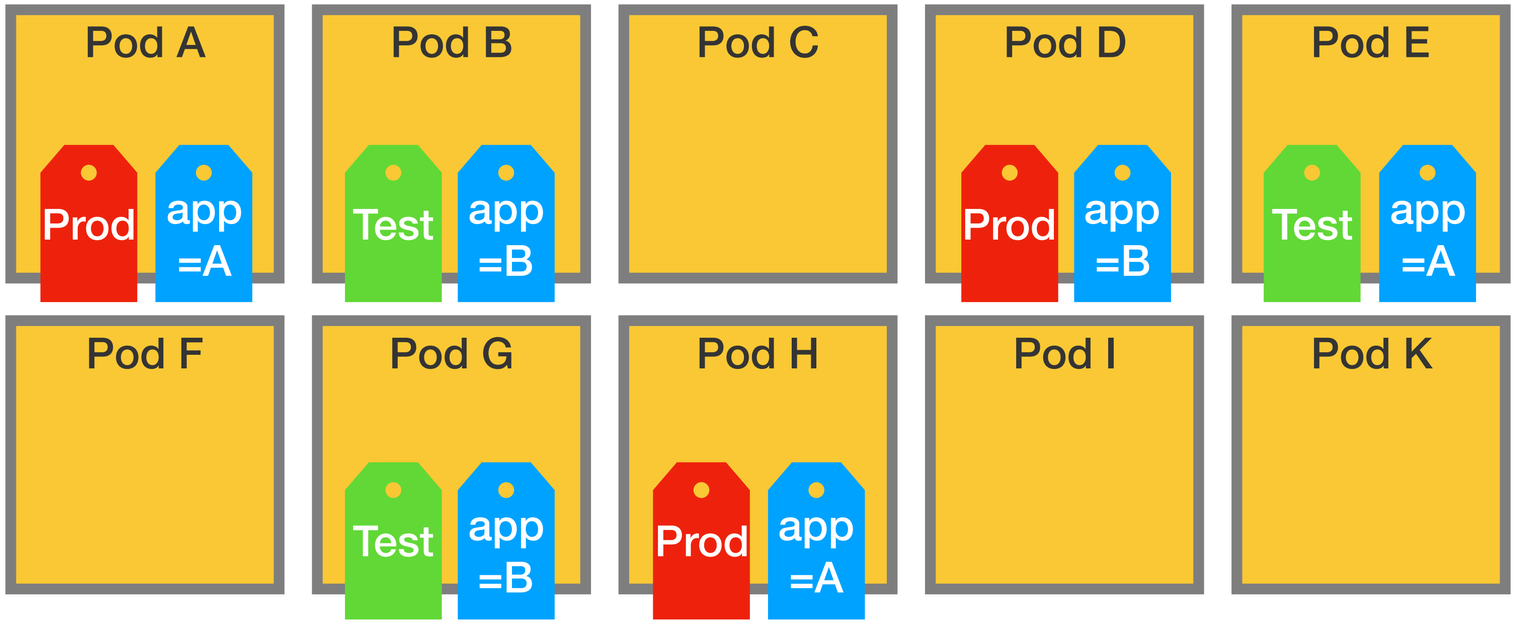

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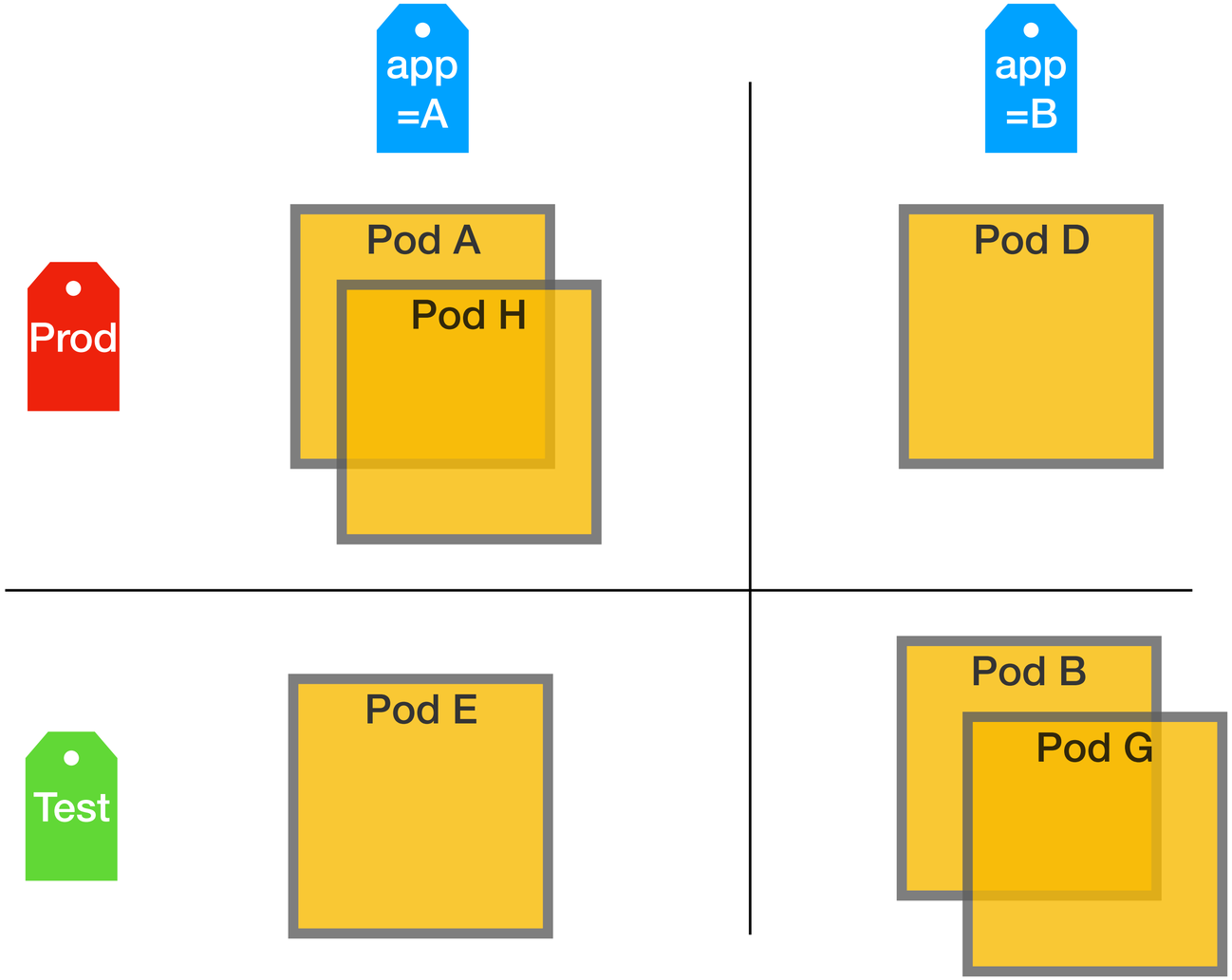

Concept #3 — Namespaces

- They are not Linux namespace (used by container runtimes to isolate containers)
- Separate resources into non-overlapping groups
- Can define permissions on namespaces
- Can even limit the amount of computational resources available
- Network policies use namespaces to isolate pods

custom-ns.yaml

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: Namespace
metadata:
  name: custom-ns
```

```
$ kubectl create -f custom-ns.yaml
Namespace “custom-ns” created

$ kubectl create namespace custom-ns
namespace "custom-ns" created
```

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Concept #4 — ReplicaSet

Ensures that a specified number of pod replicas are running at any given time.

```
apiVersion: apps/v1
kind: ReplicaSet
metadata:
  name: frontend
  labels:
    app: guestbook
    tier: frontend
spec:
  replicas: 3
  selector:
    matchLabels:
      tier: frontend
 template:
    metadata:
      labels:
        app: guestbook
        tier: frontend
    spec:
      containers:
      - name: php-redis
        image: gcr.io/google_samples/gb-frontend:v3
        resources:
          requests:
            cpu: 100m
            memory: 100Mi
        ports:
        - containerPort: 80
```

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Concept #5 — DaemonSet

- A DaemonSet ensures that all (or some) Nodes run a copy of a Pod.
- As nodes are added to the cluster, Pods are added to them.
- As nodes are removed from the cluster, those Pods are garbage collected.

```
apiVersion: apps/v1
kind: DaemonSet
metadata:
  name: fluentd-elasticsearch
  namespace: kube-system
  labels:
    k8s-app: fluentd-logging
spec:
  selector:
    matchLabels:
      name: fluentd-elasticsearch
  template:
    metadata:
      labels:
        name: fluentd-elasticsearch
    spec:
      tolerations:
      - key: node-role.kubernetes.io/master
        effect: NoSchedule
      containers:
      - name: fluentd-elasticsearch
        image: k8s.gcr.io/fluentd-elasticsearch:1.20
        resources:
          limits:
            memory: 200Mi
          requests:
            cpu: 100m
            memory: 200Mi
```

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Concept #6 — Job and CronJob

- A job creates one or more pods and ensures that a specified number of them successfully terminate.
- As pods successfully complete, the job tracks the successful completions. When a specified number of successful completions is reached, the job itself is complete. Deleting a Job will cleanup the pods it created.

```
apiVersion: batch/v1
kind: Job
metadata:
  name: pi
spec:
  template:
    spec:
      containers:
      - name: pi
        image: perl
        command: ["perl",  "-Mbignum=bpi", "-wle", "print
bpi(2000)"]
      restartPolicy: Never
  backoffLimit: 4
```

Concept #7 — Service

- A service is a stable address for a pod (or a bunch of pods)
  - ClusterIP: cluster-private IP
  - NodePort: ClusterIP + any node IP on specific port (thus available to the "outside" of the cluster)
  - LoadBalancer: NodePort + load balancer frontend (provided by the cloud provider).
  - Ingress: kind of reverse proxy in front of the cluster

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: Service
metadata:
  name: my-nginx
  labels:
    run: my-nginx
spec:
  ports:
  - port: 80
    protocol: TCP
  selector:
    run: my-nginx
```

```
$ kubectl get svc my-nginx
NAME       CLUSTER-IP     EXTERNAL-IP   PORT(S)
my-nginx   10.0.162.149   <none>        80/TCP
```

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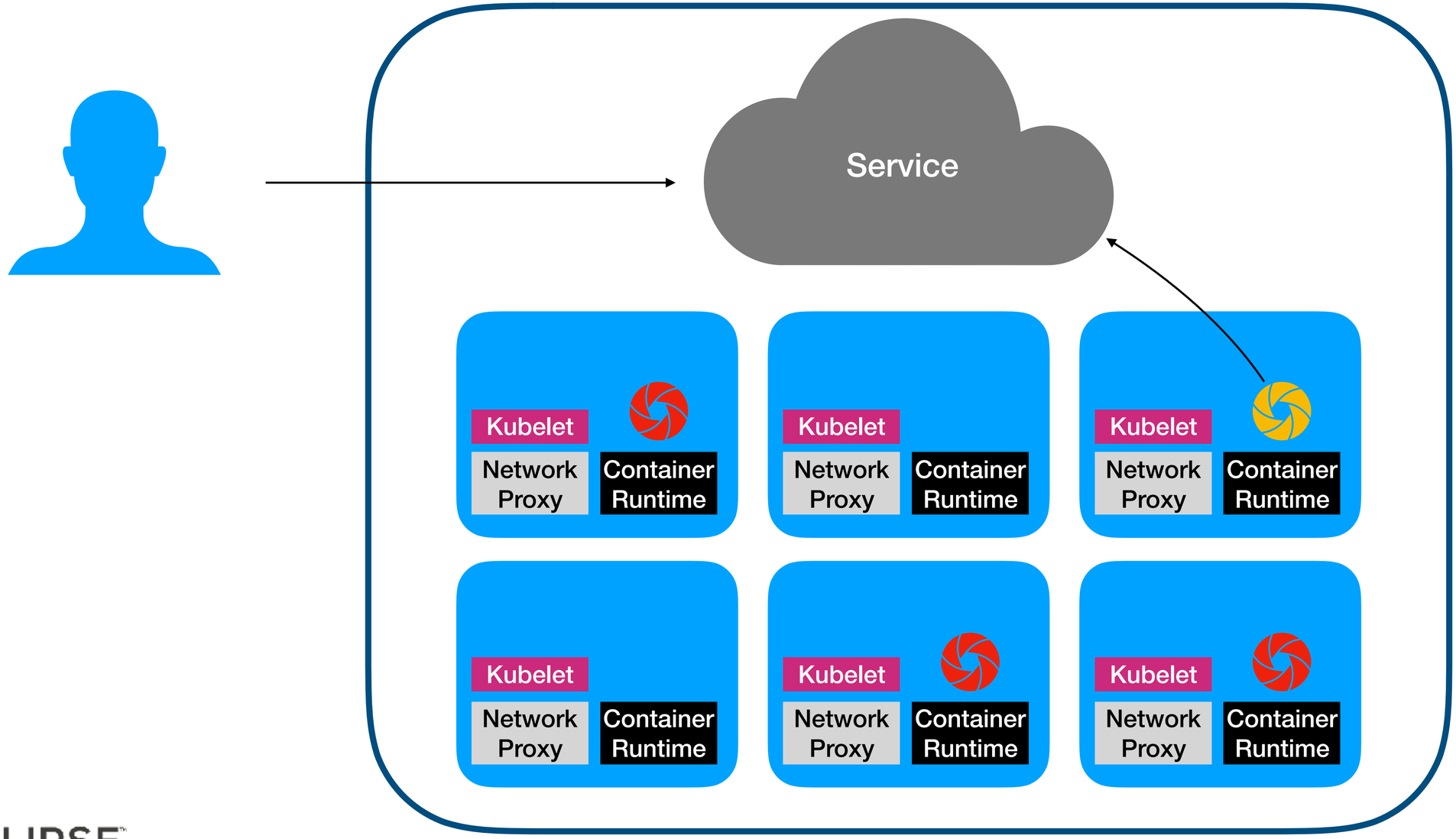
Concept #7 — Service



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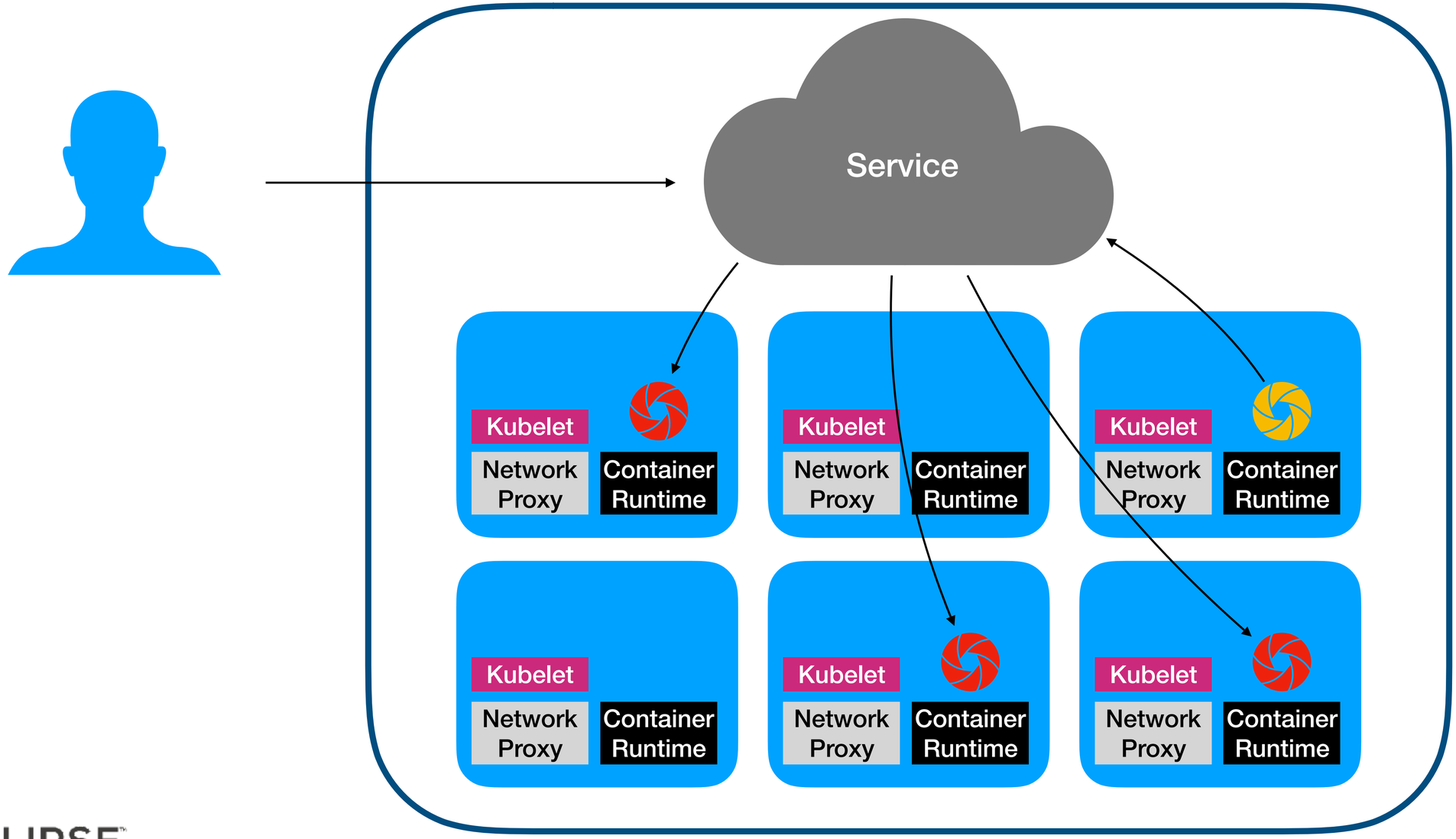
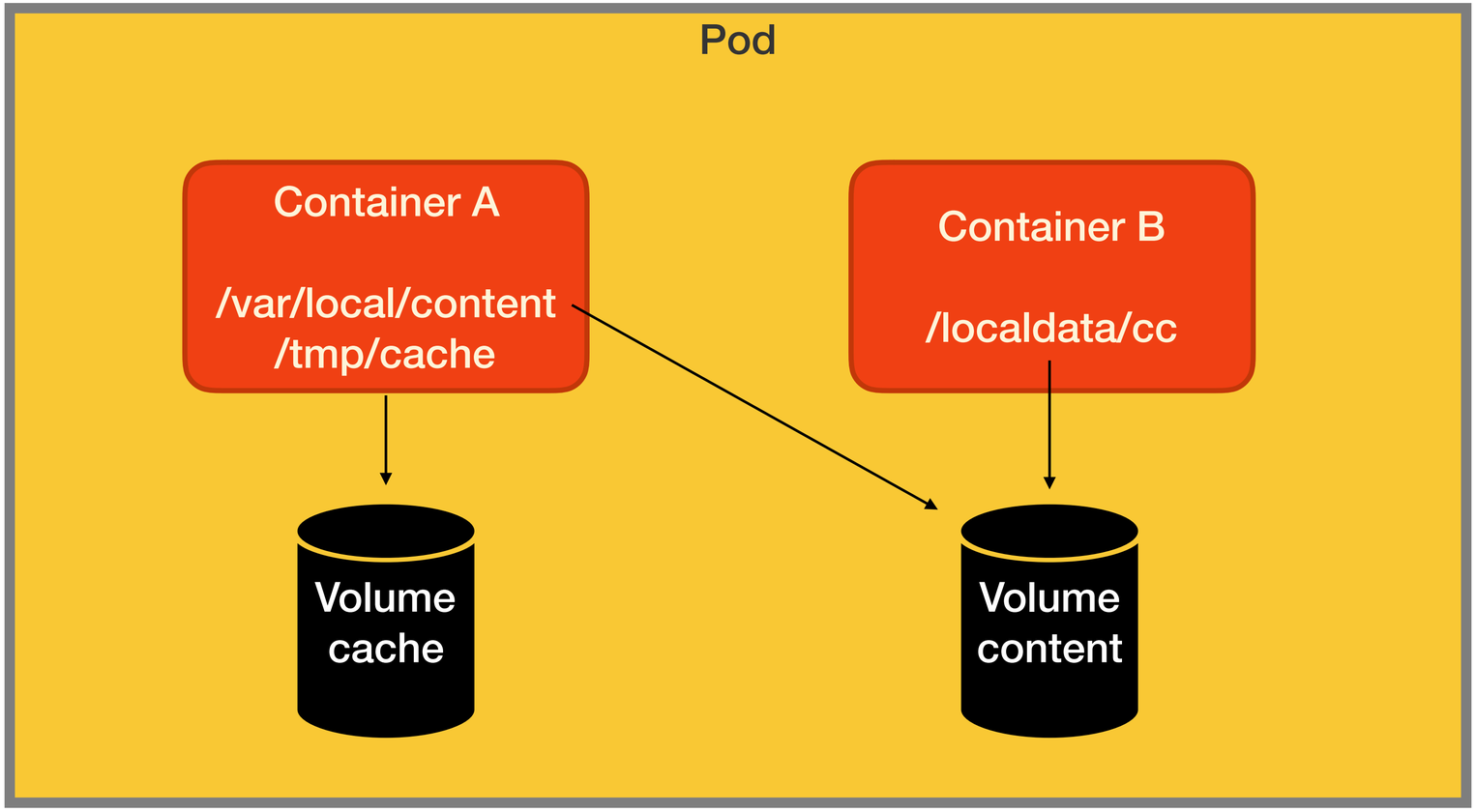


Concept #7 — Service

- Service Discovery
  - Via environment variables. Each pod is initialized with environments variables for each service available at that moment (e.g. MY-NGINX_SERVICE_HOST=10.0.162.149 and MY-NGINX_SERVICE_PORT=80)
  - Via DNS. The control plane runs a DNS server and modify each container's /etc/resolve.conf to use it. Each service gets a DNS entry in the form <service_name>.<namespace>.<cluster_domain_suffix> (e.g.,my-ginx.default.svc.eclipsefnd-cluster1.local).
  - Access to external resources is also possible via Endpoints

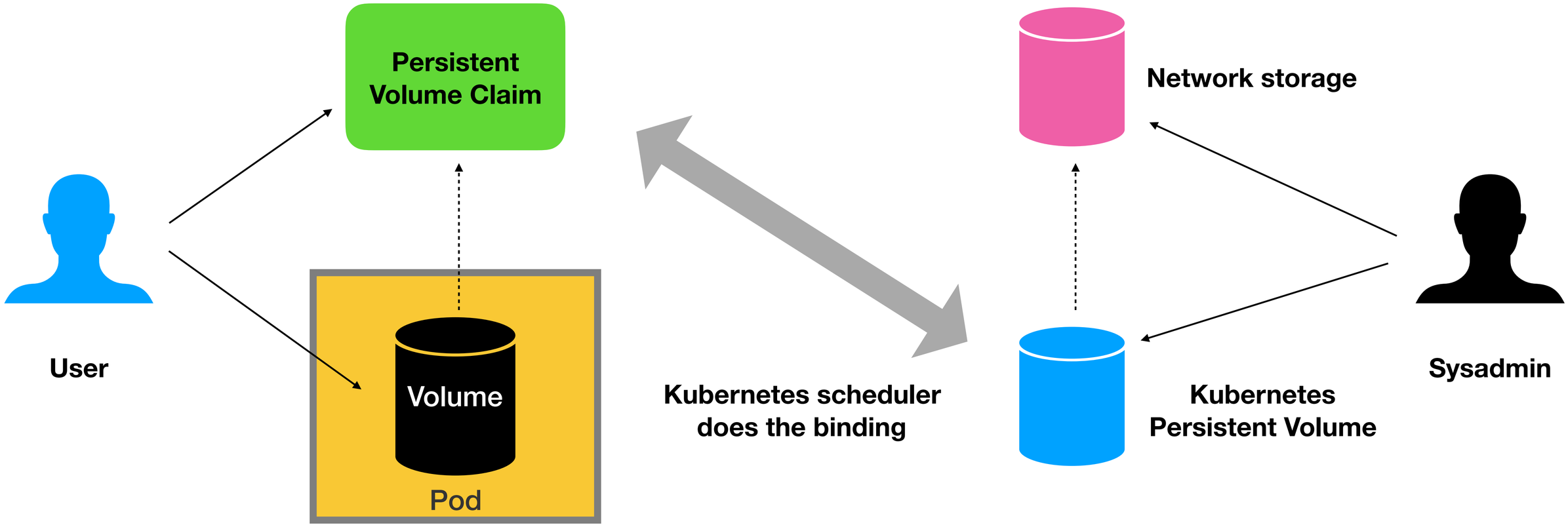
Concept #8 — Volumes



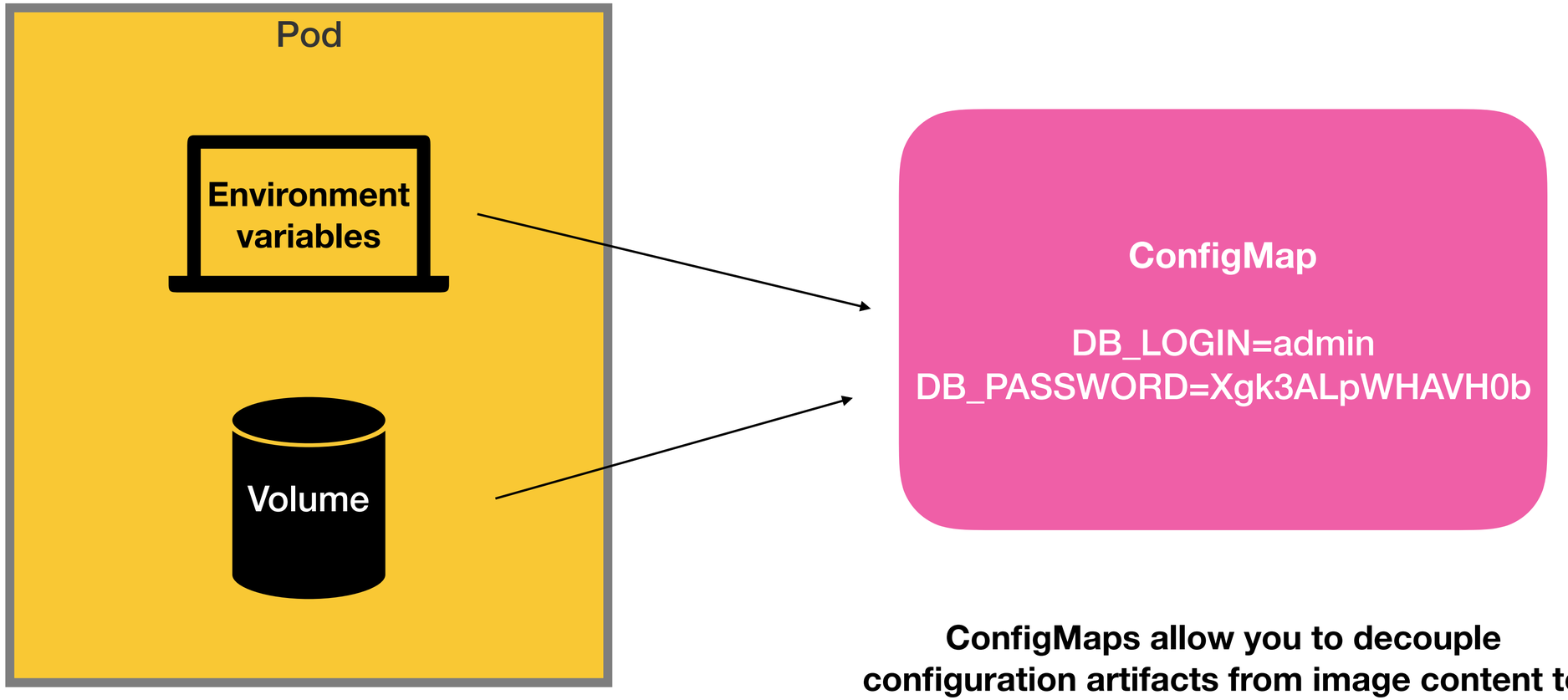
Concept #8 — Volumes

- Empty directory used for storing transient data (lifecycle is tied to its pod).
- Worker node's filesystem path (hostPath).
- Git repository
- Cloud provider-specific storage (Google Compute Engine Persistent Disk, Amazon Web Services Elastic Block Store Volume, Microsoft Azure Disk Volume.
- Various network storage (nfs, cinder, cephfs, iscsi, flocker, glusterfs, ...)
- Volumes used to expose certain Kubernetes resources and cluster information to the pod (configMap, secret, downwardAPI)
- persistentVolumeClaim A way to use a pre- or dynamically provisioned persistent storage.

Concept #8 — Volumes

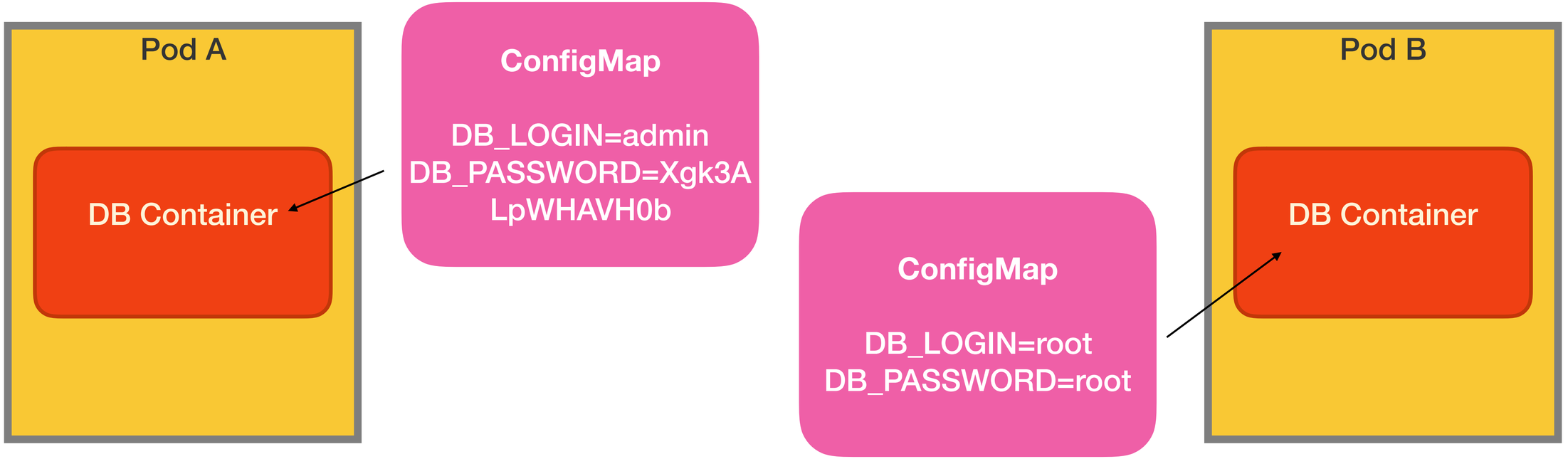


Concept #9 — ConfigsMap & Secret



ConfigMaps allow you to decouple configuration artifacts from image content to keep containerized applications portable

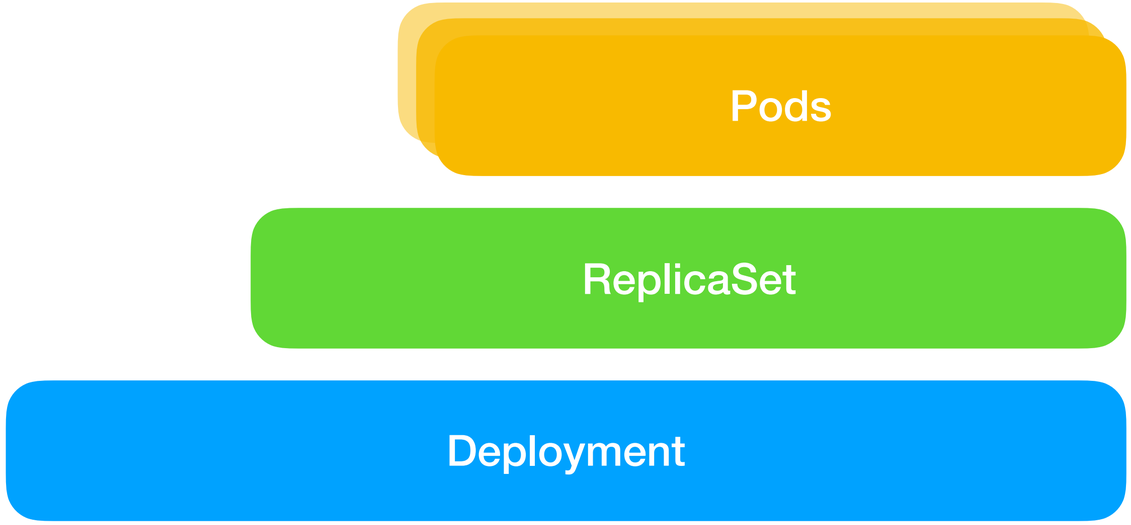
Concept #9 — ConfigsMap & Secret



Concept #9 — ConfigsMap & Secret

- Secrets are much like ConfigMaps but to store certs, password, etc.
- Kubernetes makes sure each Secret is only distributed to the nodes that run the pods that need access to the Secret.
- Secrets are always stored in memory (tmpfs) on the nodes and never written to physical storage.
- Secrets are stored encrypted in etcd

Concept #10 — Deployment




```yaml
apiVersion: apps/v1
kind: Deployment
metadata:
  name: nginx-deployment
  labels:
    app: nginx
spec:
  replicas: 3
  selector:
    matchLabels:
      app: nginx
  template:
    metadata:
      labels:
        app: nginx
    spec:
      containers:
      - name: nginx
        image: nginx:1.7.9
        ports:
        - containerPort: 80
```

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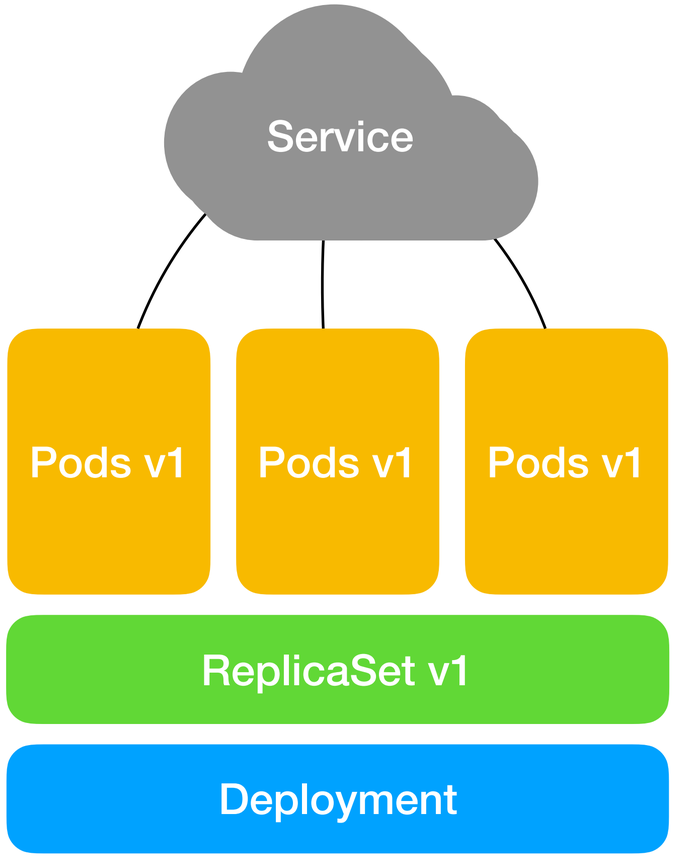

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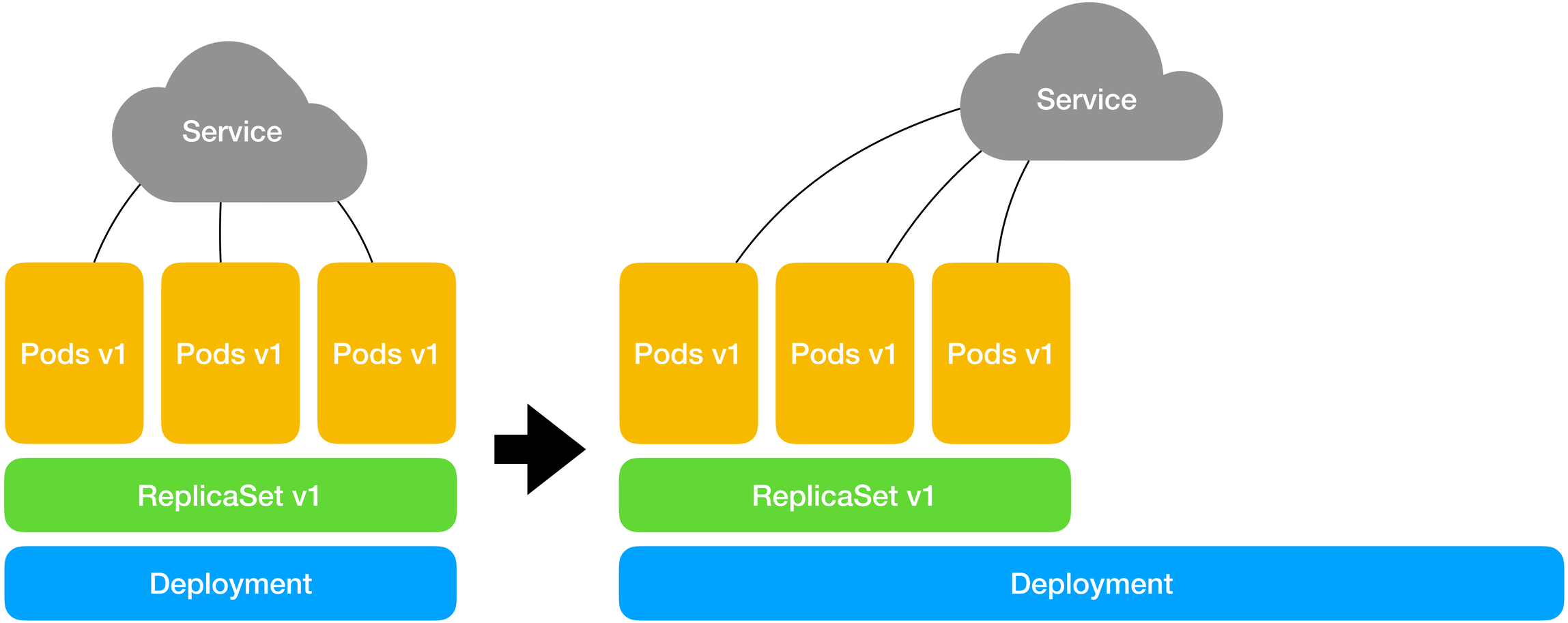

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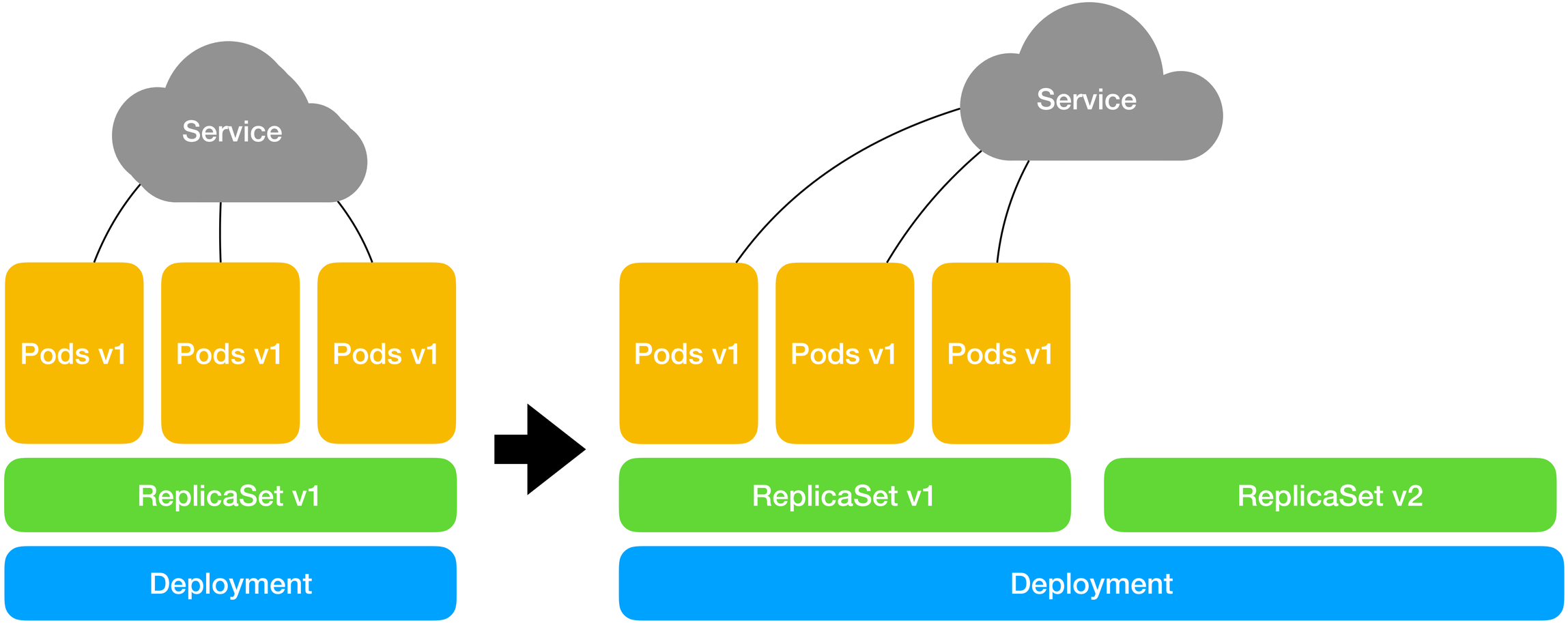

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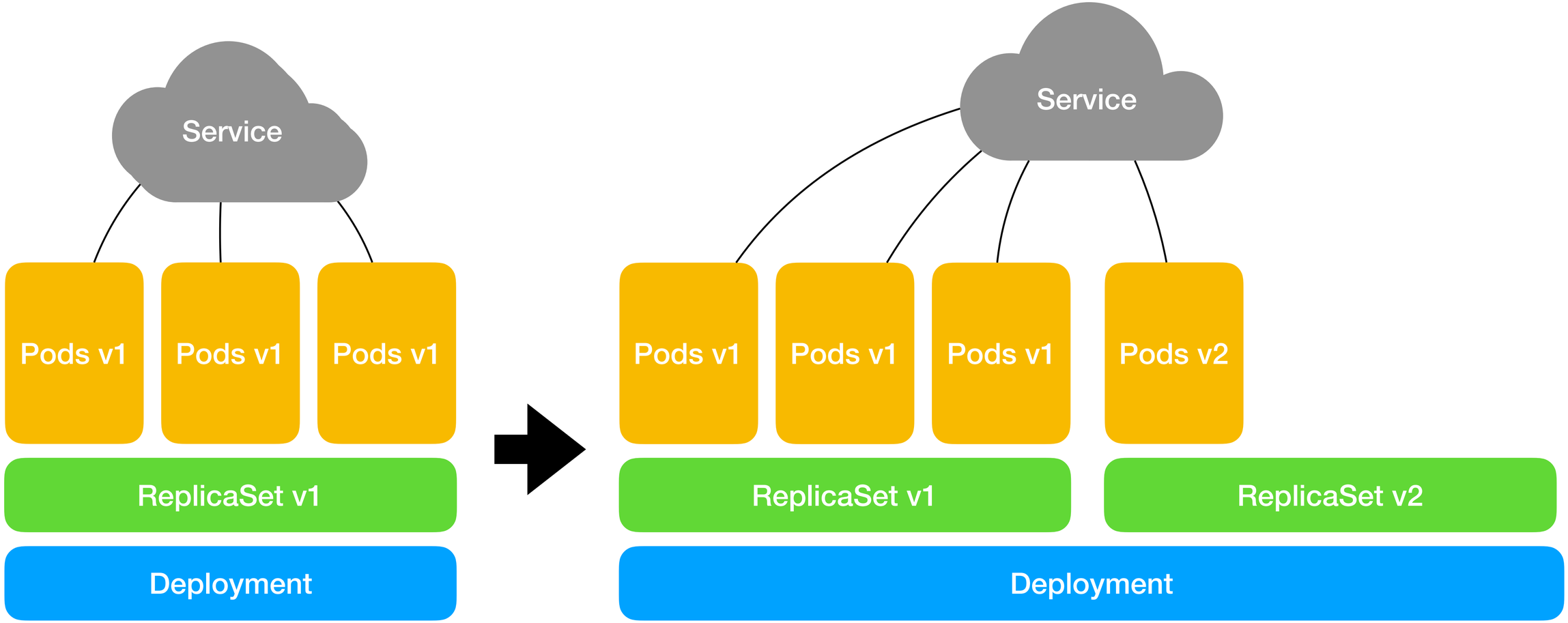

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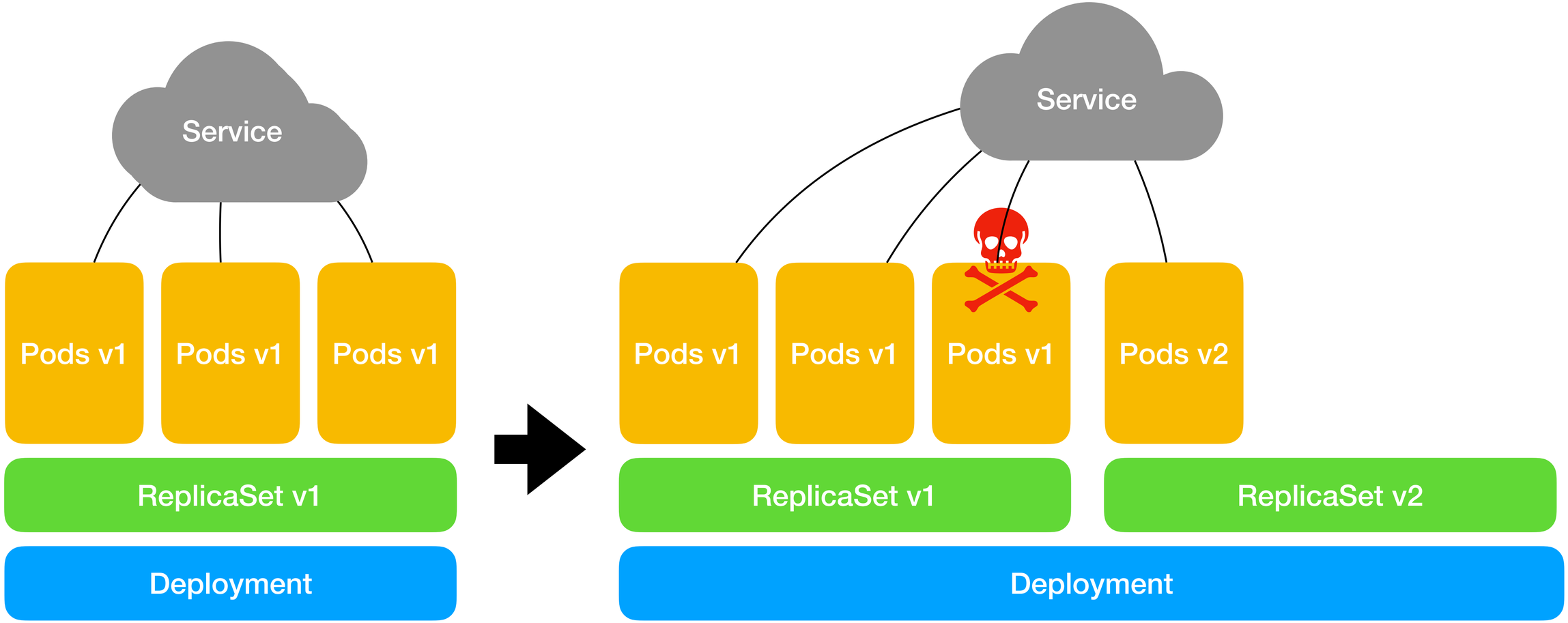

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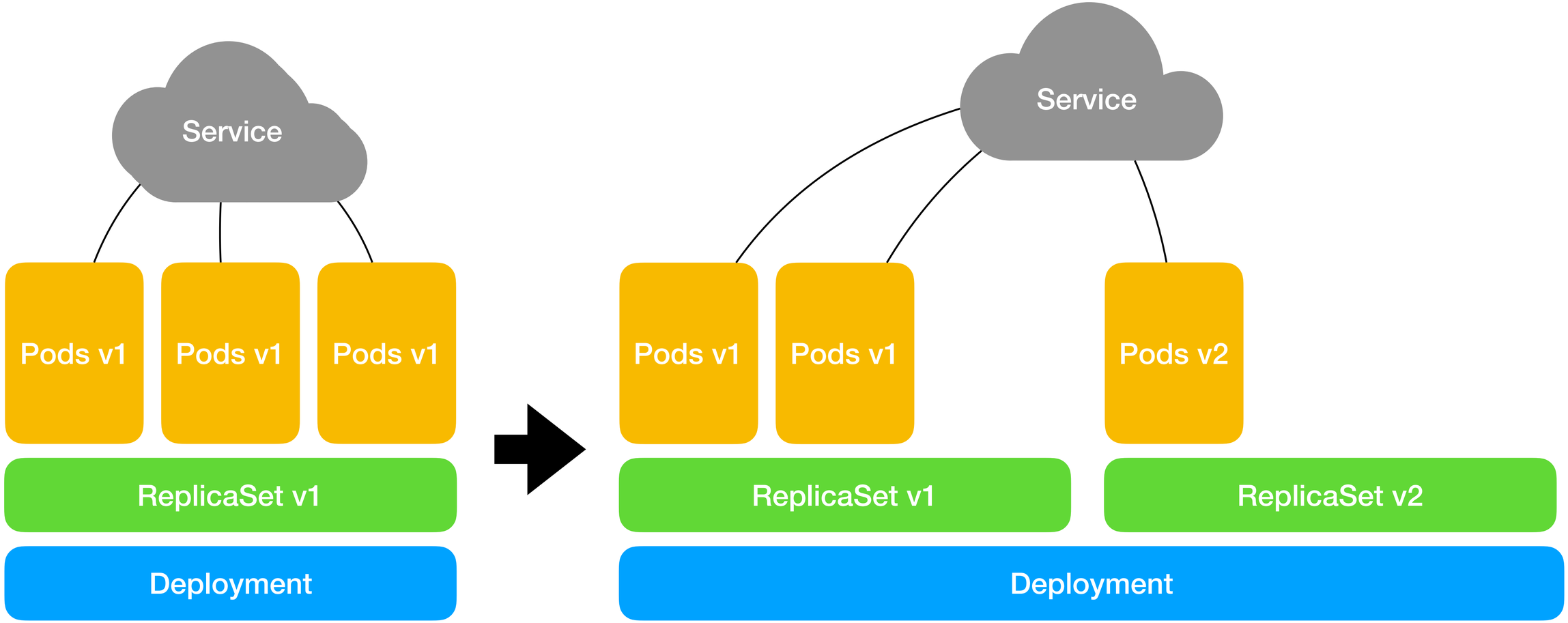

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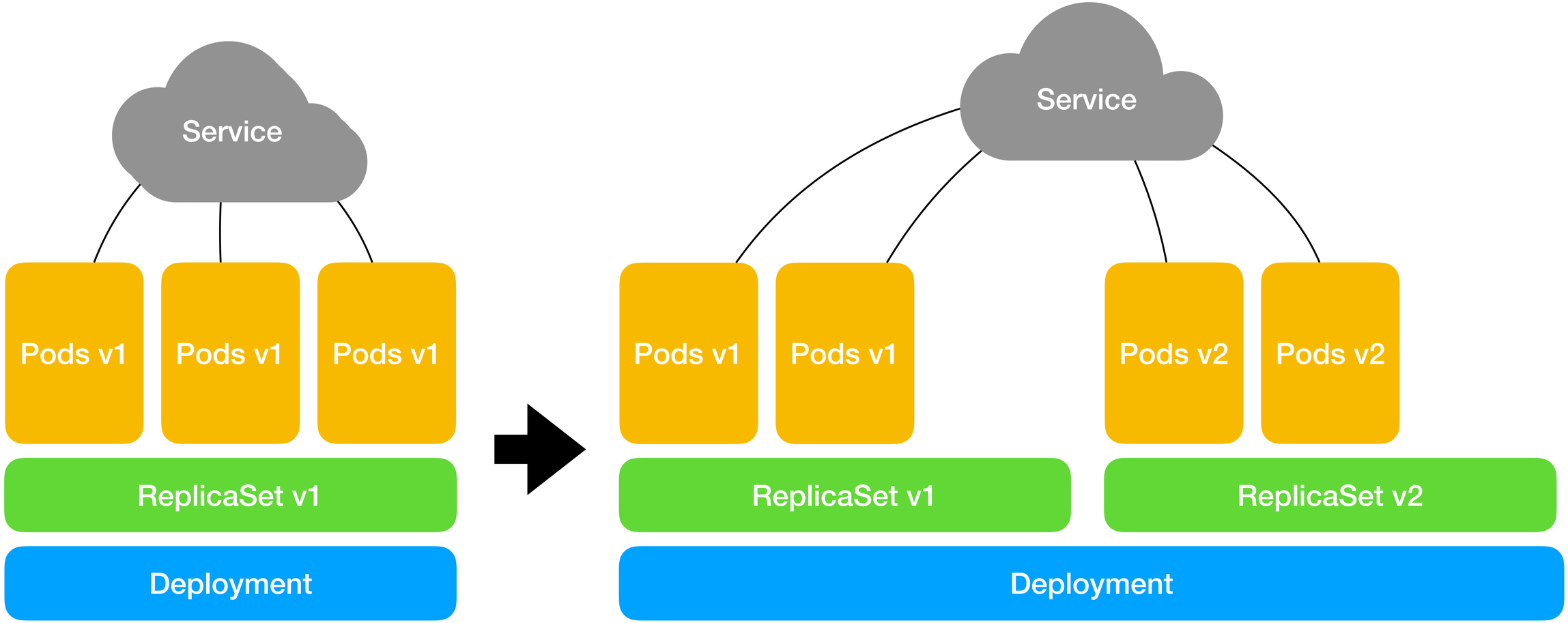

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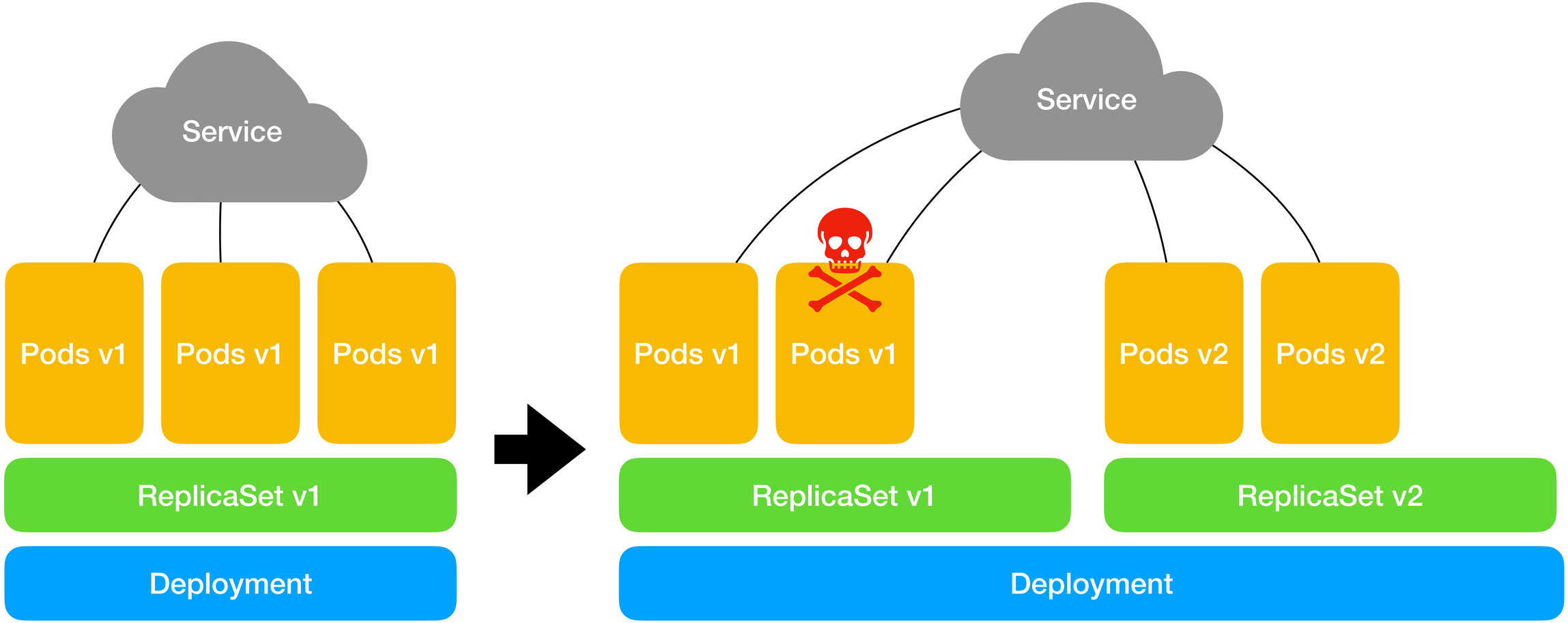

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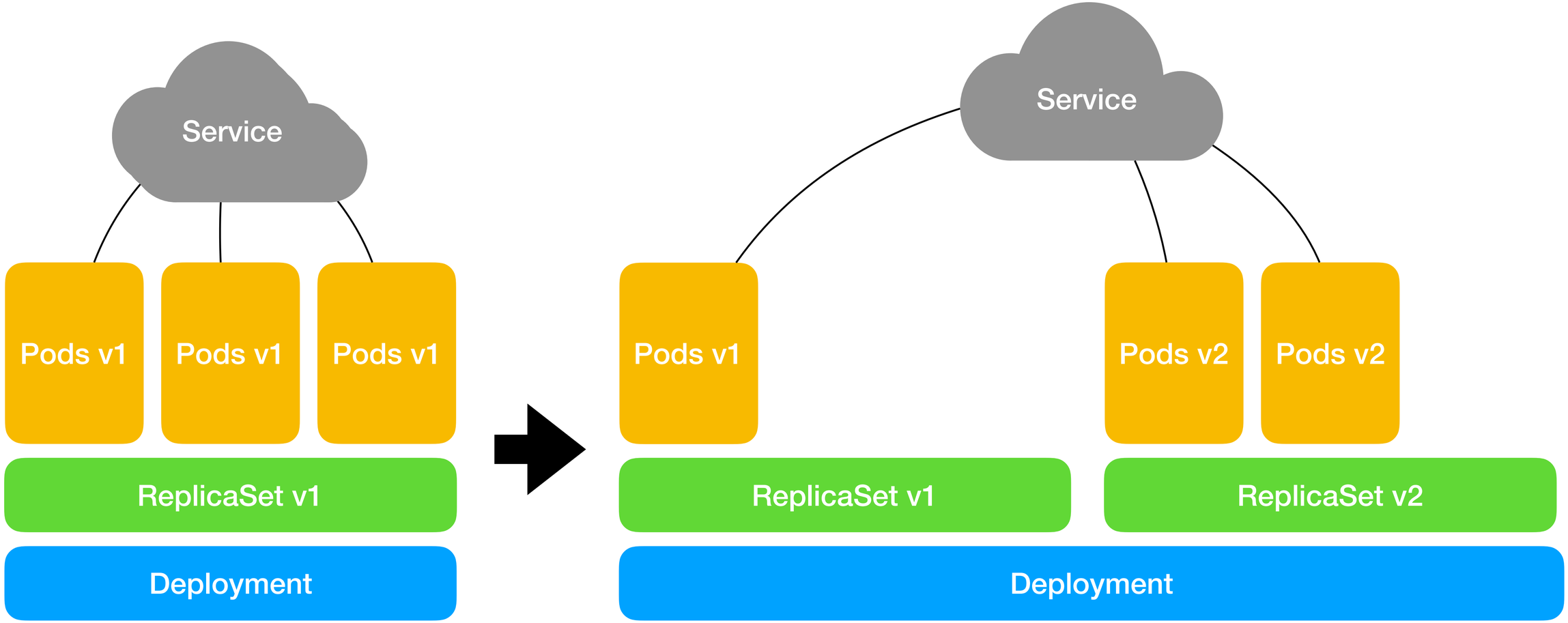

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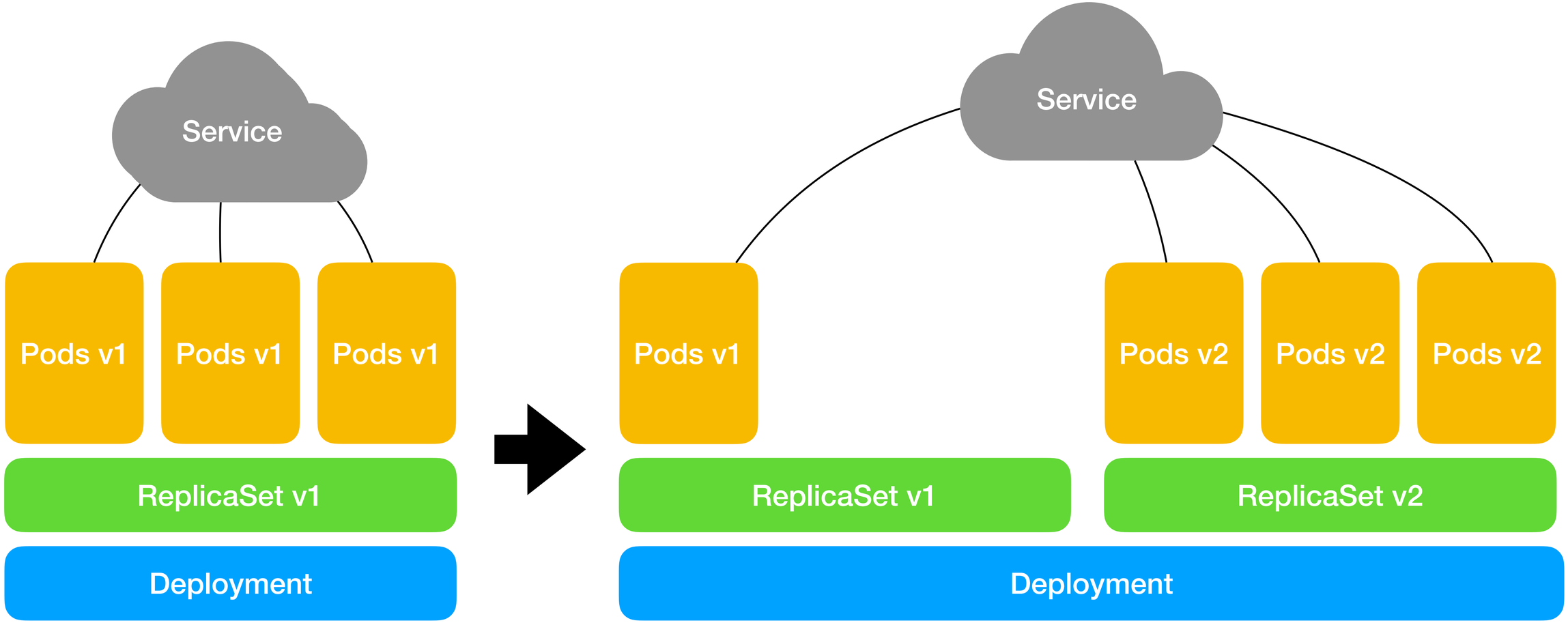

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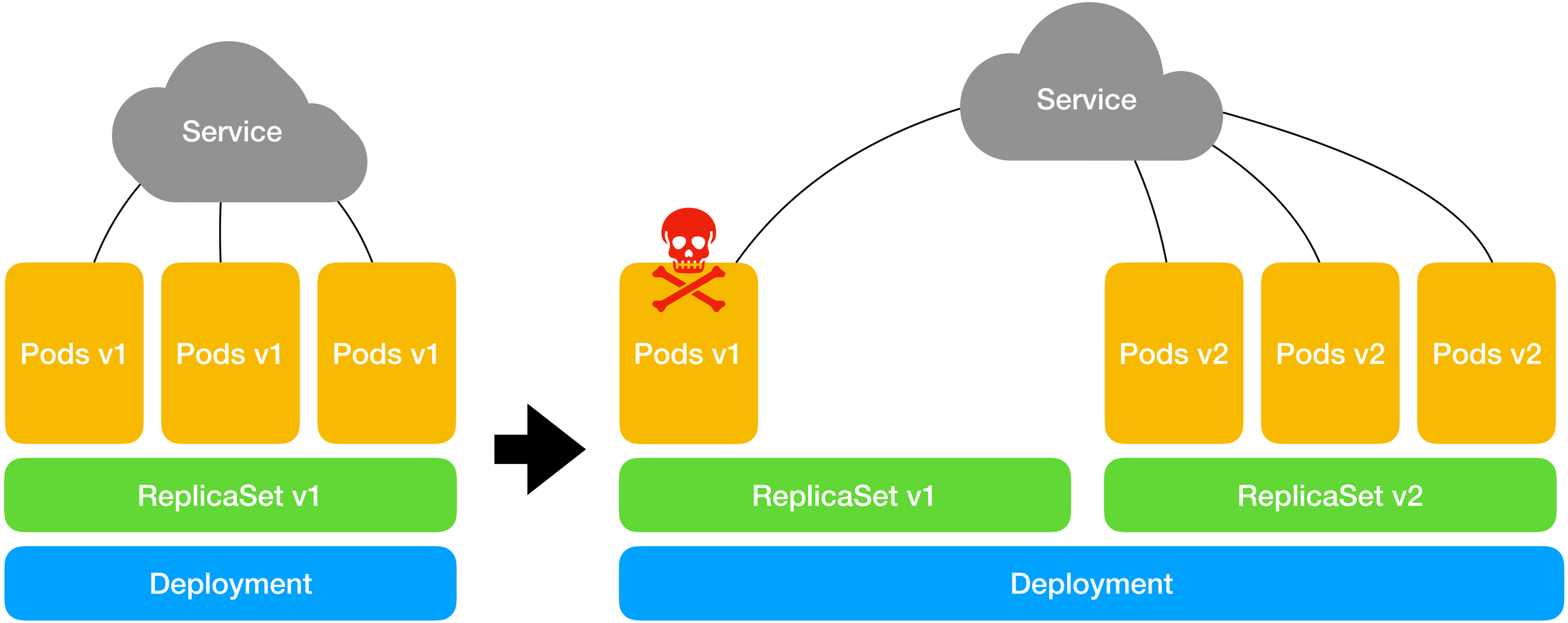

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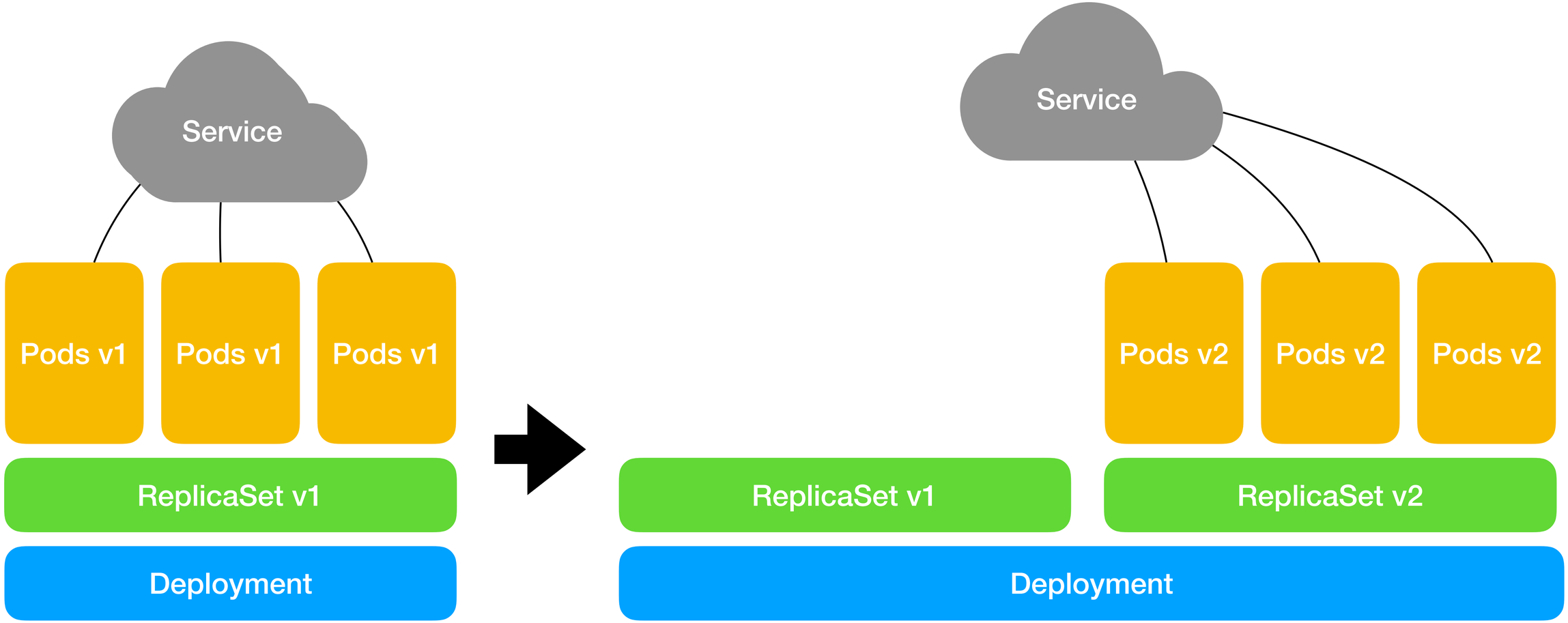

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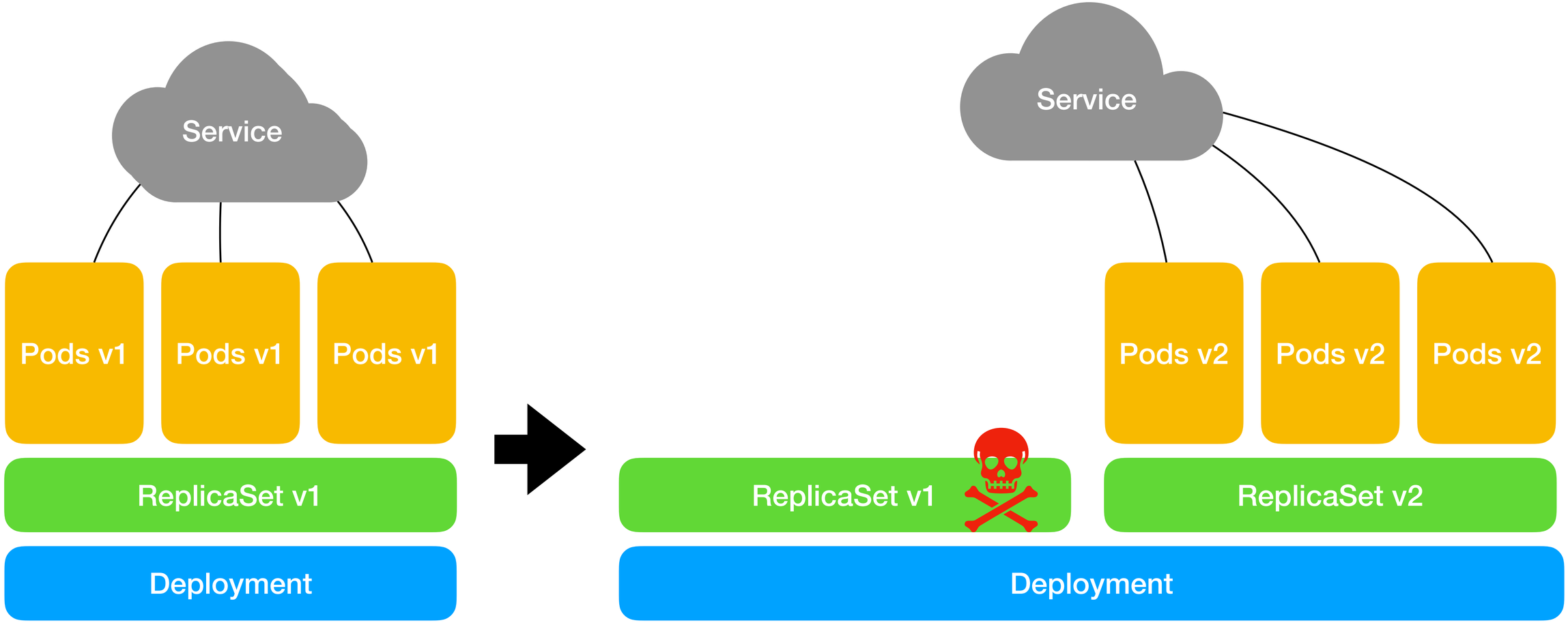

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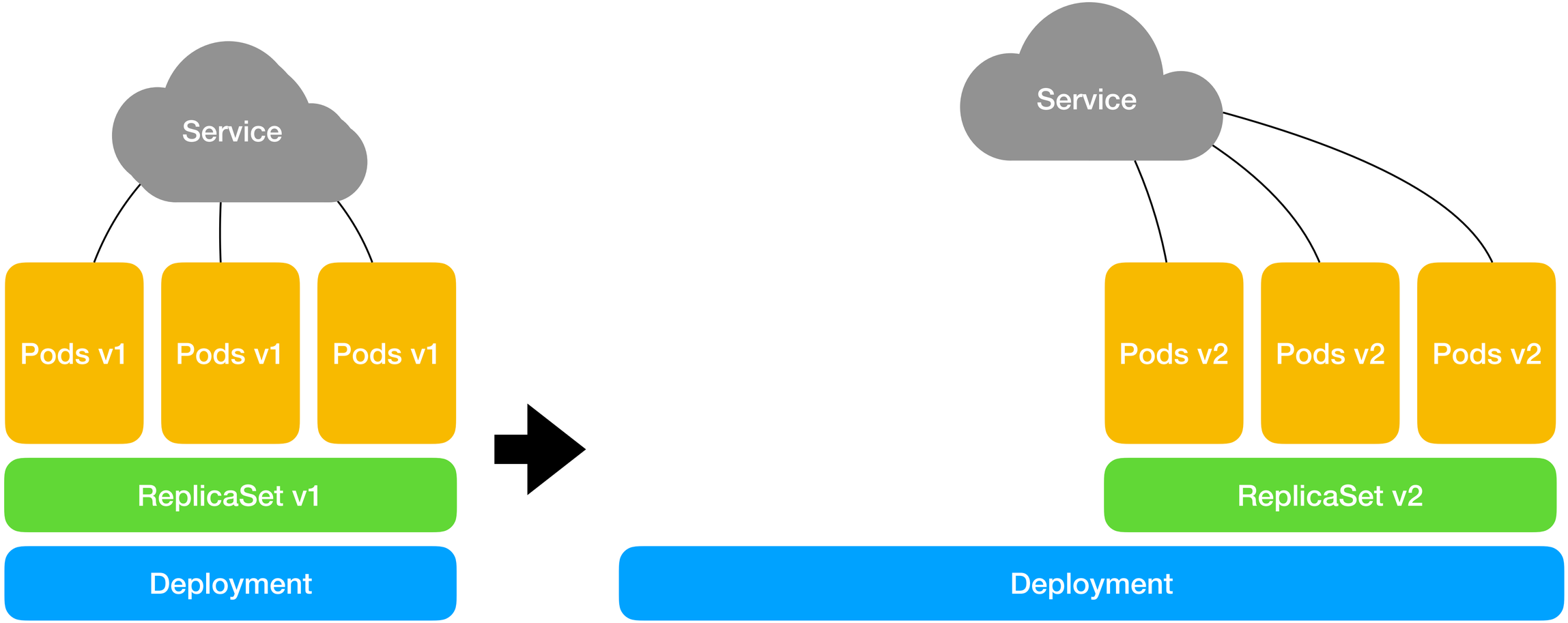

And More...

- Requesting and limiting resources of pod's containers (cpu, memory), QoS
- StatefulSets, e.g. to run a replicated mySQL DB with automatic failover (cold standby).
- HA for K8s Control Plane
- RBAC to secure API server, nodes and the network
- Autoscaling of pods and nodes
- Cluster federation (multi-zone, multi-cloud provider K8s clusters)

Questions?

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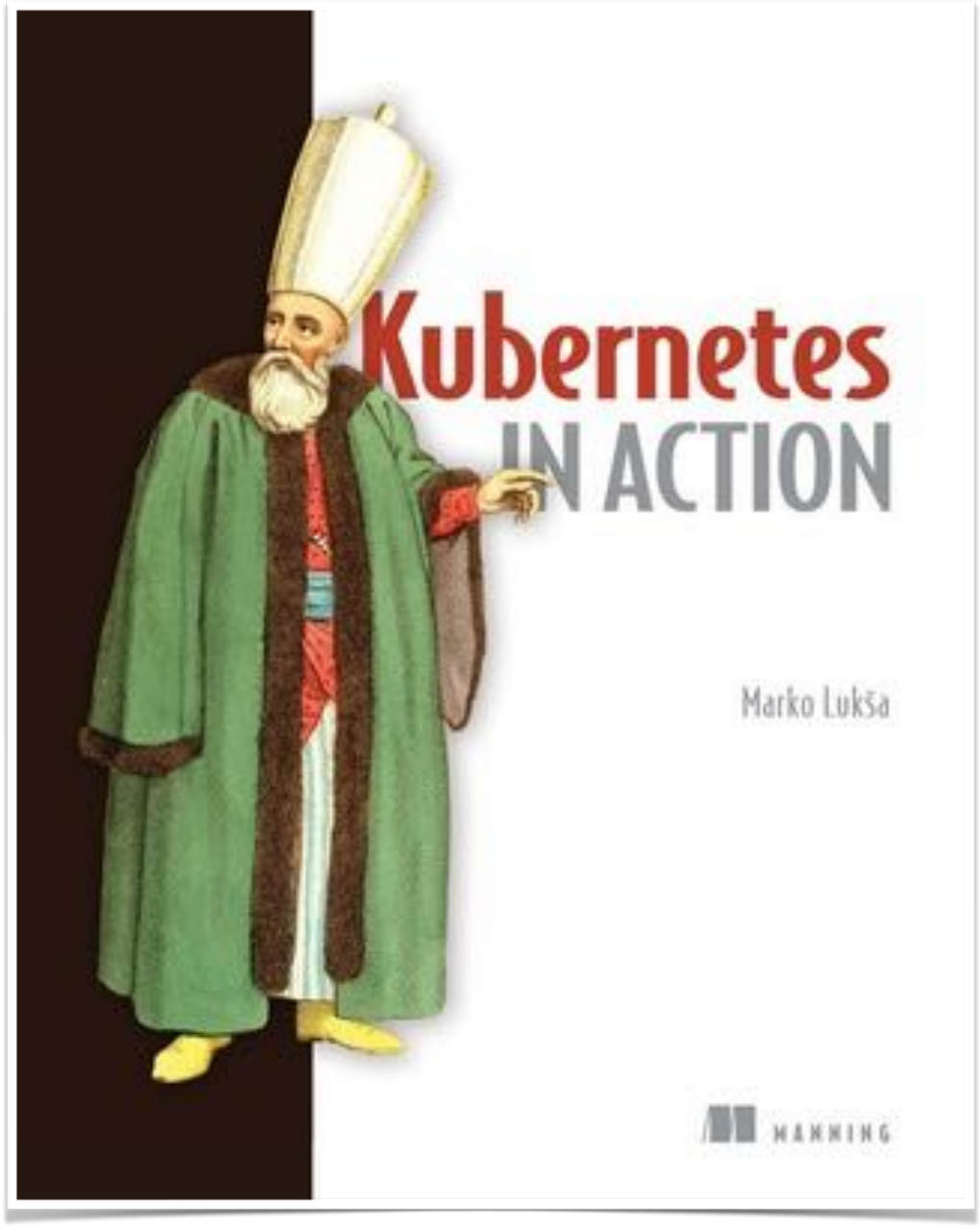

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Key takeaways

- Kubernetes is a cluster operating system
- Defines a sound set of concepts to deploy and manage resilient container-based applications
- Enables better usage of hardware resources
- Very dynamic community, which uses Kubernetes extensibility to add even more values
  - e.g., service mesh management platform Istio (https://istio.io/)

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