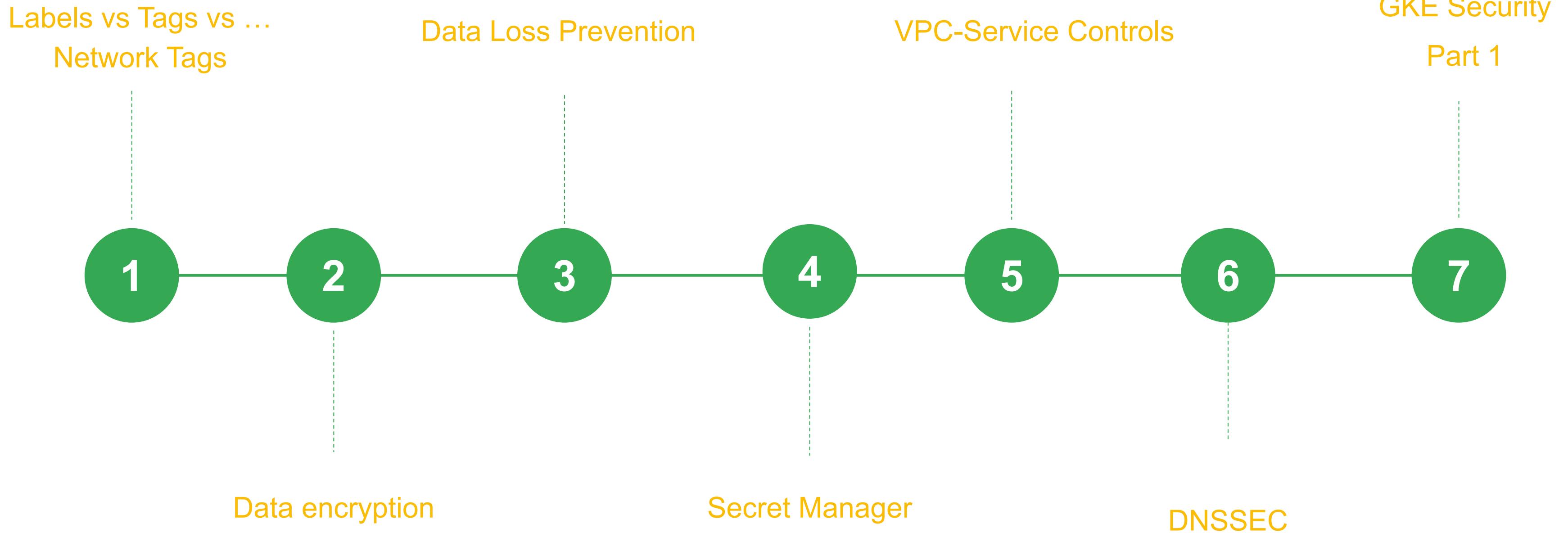


Preparing for Your Professional Cloud Security Engineer Journey

Module 3: Ensuring Data Protection

Week 3 topics



Labels vs Tags vs ... Network Tags

What is cloud labeling?

Labeling cloud resources **helps the IT team understand cloud spend** at a granular level

Key features

- A label is a **customer-defined key and value pair** used to organize Google Cloud resources
- Labeling allows you to assign your own metadata to each taggable resource
- Labeling enables categorization of resources by purpose, owner, environment, etc.

The screenshot shows the Google Cloud Platform interface for managing labels. On the left, a sidebar lists various Google Cloud services: IAM & admin, Essential Contacts, Policy Troubleshooter, Organization policies, Quotas, Service accounts, Labels (which is selected), Settings, Privacy & Security, Cryptographic keys, and Identity-Aware Proxy. The main area is titled "Labels" and contains a table with two columns: "Key" and "Value". There are four rows in the table:

Key	Value
team	analytics
cost_center	5439857532543
environment	test

Below the table are buttons for "+ ADD LABEL", "SAVE", and "DISCARD CHANGES".

Label requirements

- Each resource can have multiple labels, up to a maximum of 64.
- Each label must be a key-value pair.
- Keys have a minimum length of one character and a maximum length of 63 characters, and cannot be empty. Values can be empty, and have a maximum length of 63 characters.
- Keys and values can contain only lowercase letters, numeric characters, underscores, and dashes. All characters must use UTF-8 encoding, and international characters are allowed.
- The key portion of a label must be unique. However, you can use the same key with multiple resources.
- Keys must start with a lowercase letter or international character.

Common use of labels

- **Team labels:** Add labels based on team or cost center to distinguish resources owned by different teams (for example, team:research and team:analytics).
- **Cost center labels:** You can use this type of label for cost accounting, budgeting, or chargeback modeling (for example, product:costcenternumber, etc.).
- **Component labels:** For example, component:redis, component:frontend, component:ingest, and component:dashboard.
- **Environment or stage labels:** For example, environment:production and environment:test.
- **State labels:** For example, state:active, state:readytodelete, and state:archive.
- **VM labels:** A label can be attached to a VM.

Exam Tip: it's not recommended to create large numbers of unique labels, such as for timestamps or individual values of every API call.

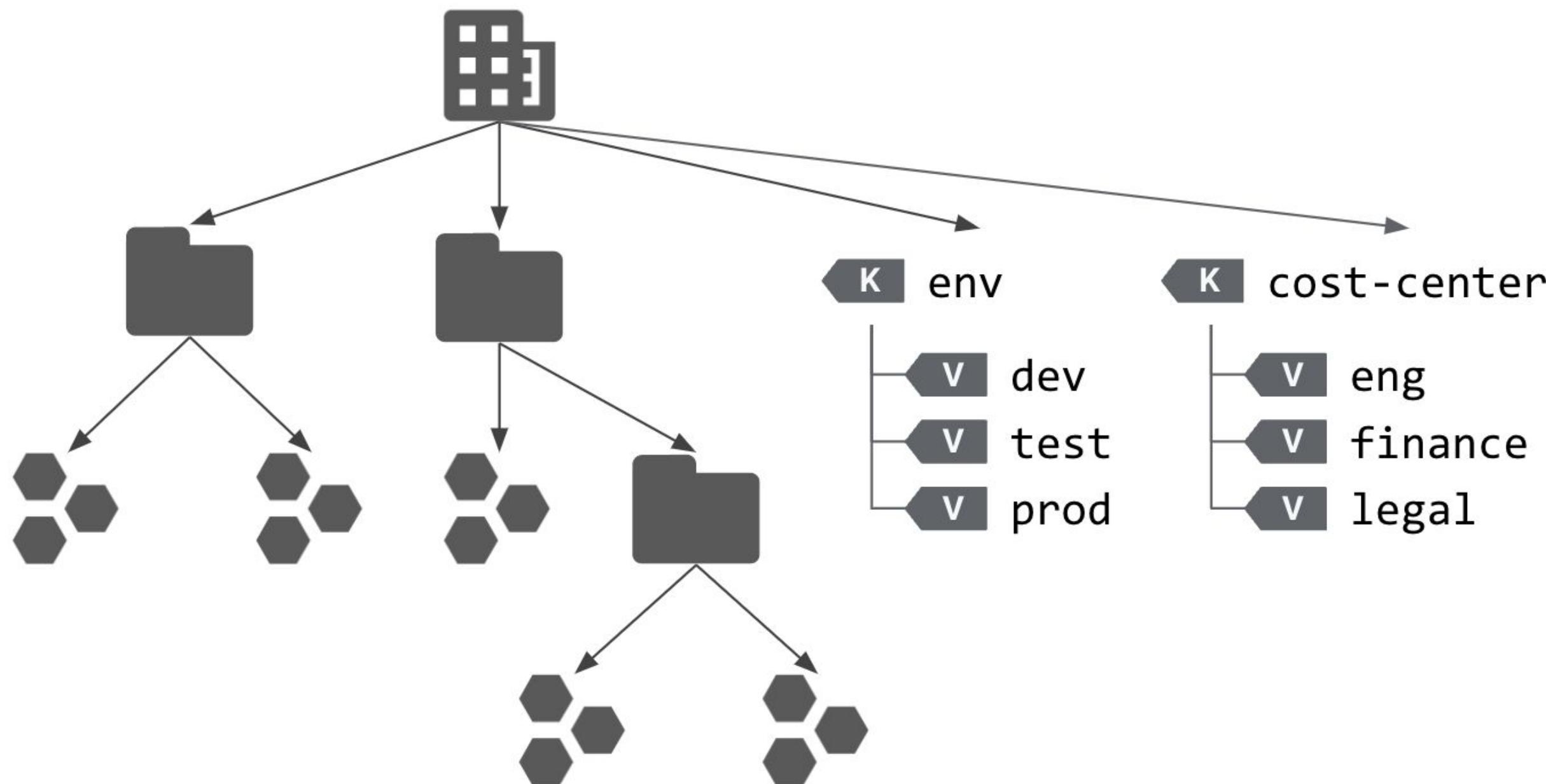


What are GCP Tags?

!!! NOT the same as “Network Tags” !!!

Tags are **resources** in the form of **key-value pairs** that can serve as **metadata** and be **associated with a resource**.

They can be **used to identify groups of related resources** (e.g., `env=prod`, `data-sensitivity=confidential`) and **can also be referenced in policies** (i.e IAM Policies, Organization Policies)



How are labels / tags / network tags different?

Labels have historically been the way to assign costs in GCP. Historically in GCP, Tags typically referred to ‘Network Tags’, which are one of the options (in parallel to Service Accounts) when designing firewall rules.

Tags can be thought of as ‘Labels v2’ in many ways and the below table clarifies the terminology in use

Metadata type	Description
Tags	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Aka ‘Labels v2’• Key-value pairs with robust permission model, inheritance and centralized management• Supported by many resources but only tags attached to Compute Engine instances and GCP projects will appear in the billing data.• Has to be defined in advance• Inheritance• Can be enforced through policy• Supported in BQ Billing Export and Asset Inventory
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Network Tags	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• For controlling GCP network traffic only.

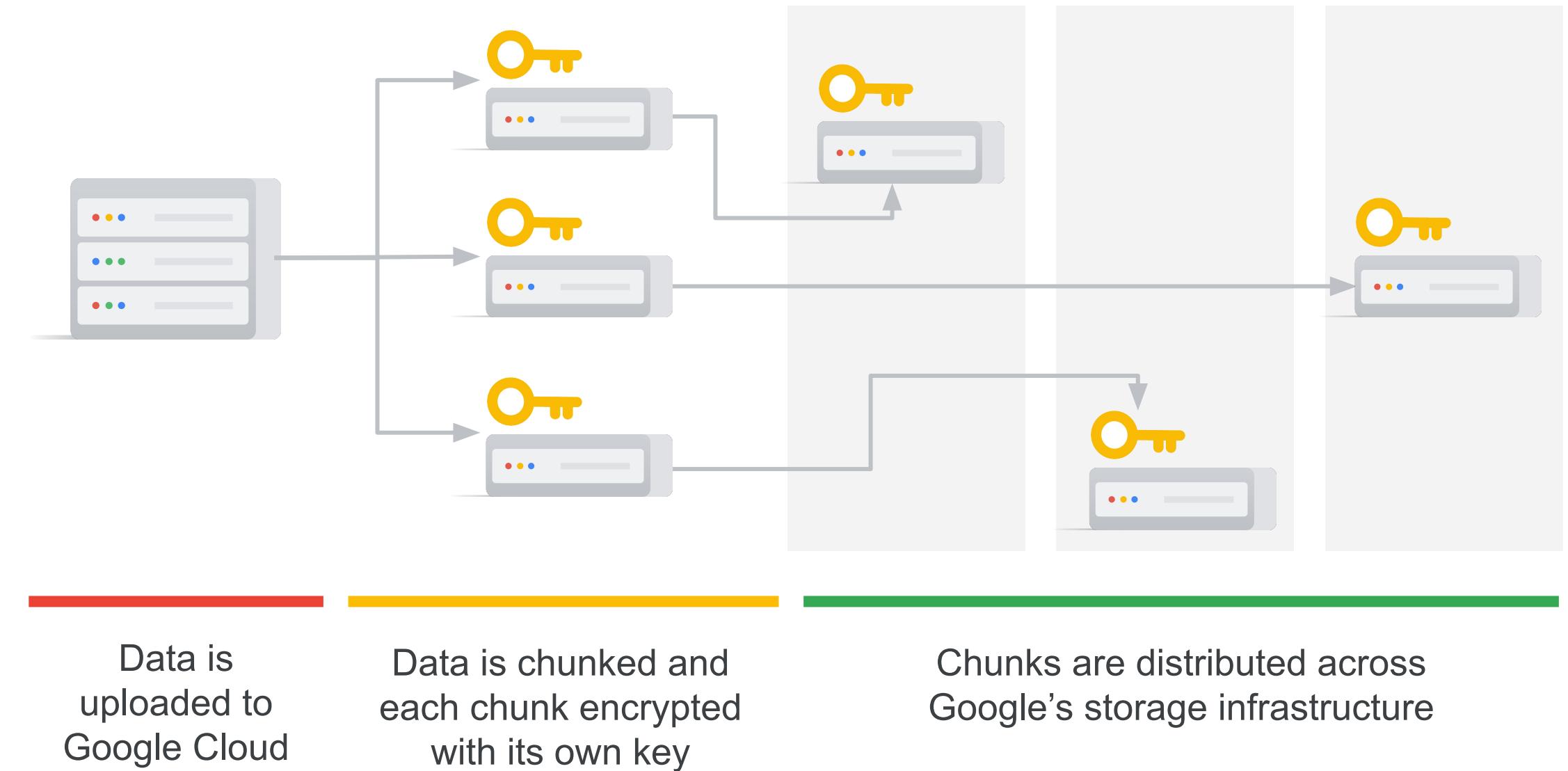
Data Encryption

Ensure data confidentiality with Google Cloud data encryption options

All data at rest is encrypted by default in Google Cloud using a multi-level encryption scheme.

You can take more control over encryption by using:

- Customer-managed encryption keys (CMEK)
- Customer-supplied encryption keys (CSEK)
- External key management (EKM)
- Cloud hosted security module (HSM)



Data encryption at rest options

DEFAULT ENCRYPTION Google default data-at-rest encryption. Customer has no access to keys or control of key rotation.	CLOUD KMS Customer can manage keys generated and stored by Google. 	CLOUD HSM Customer can manage keys generated by Google and stored in a Google owned and operated HSM. 	CUSTOMER-SUPPLIED ENCRYPT. KEYS Keys owned by customer and provided on each API call to be used ephemerally to access data.	HOSTED PRIVATE HSM Select customers may use keys in their own HSM in a CoLo. Google does not have any control of the HSM.	CLOUD EKM Customer encrypts data-at-rest using a key residing outside of Google Cloud 
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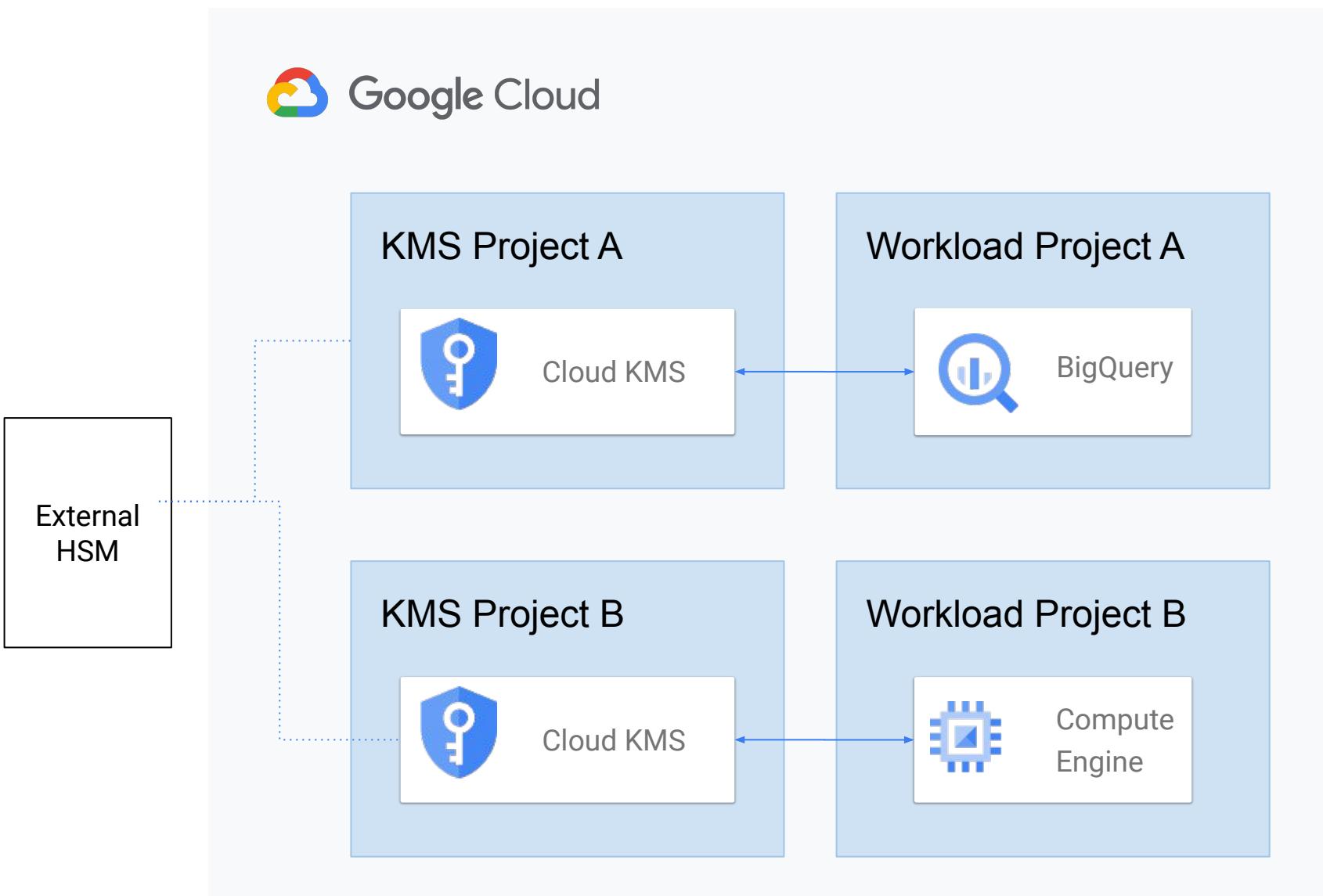


Fully automated management

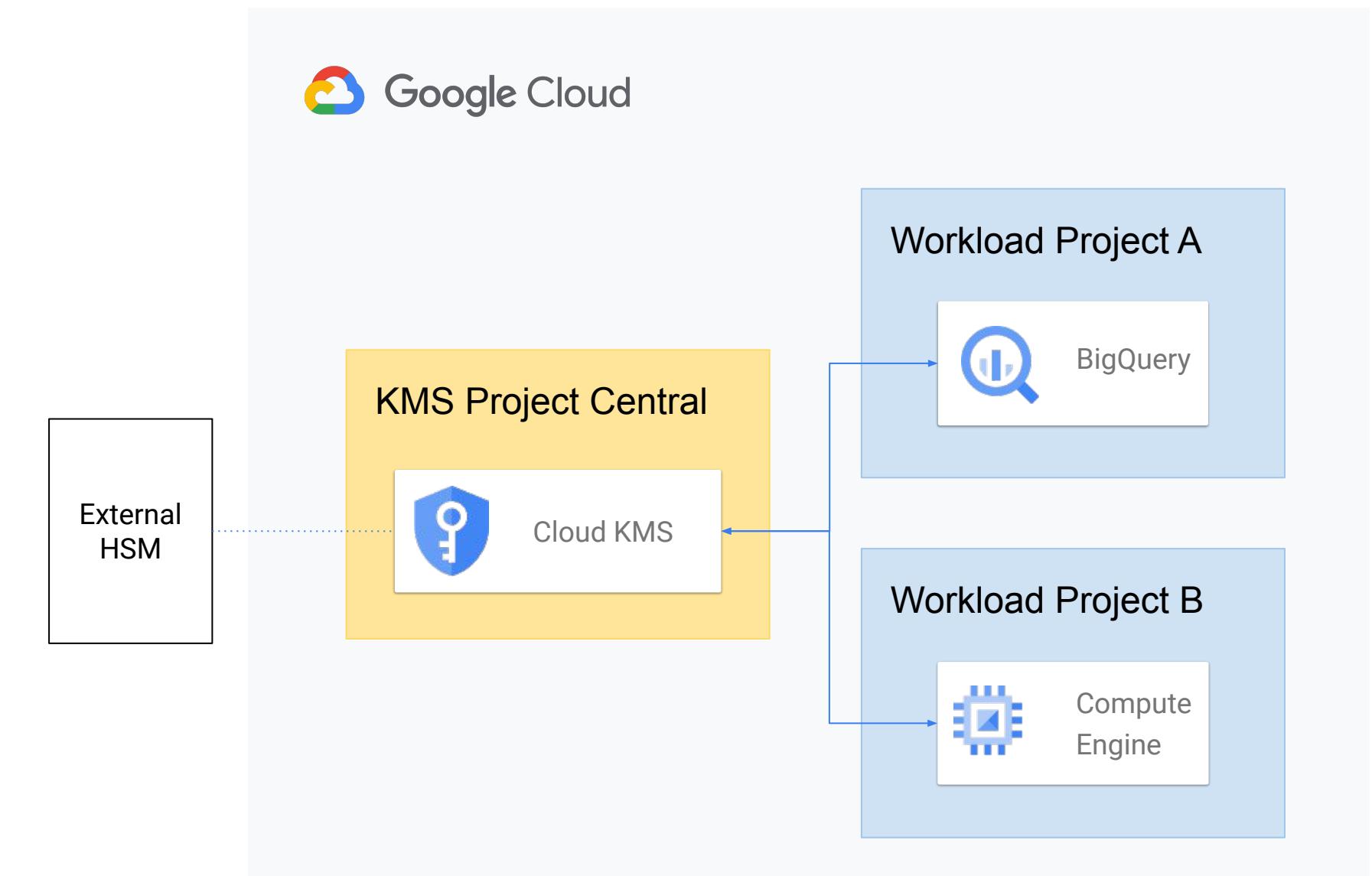
Finer-grained customer control

Cloud KMS - Distributed vs Centralized

Distributed

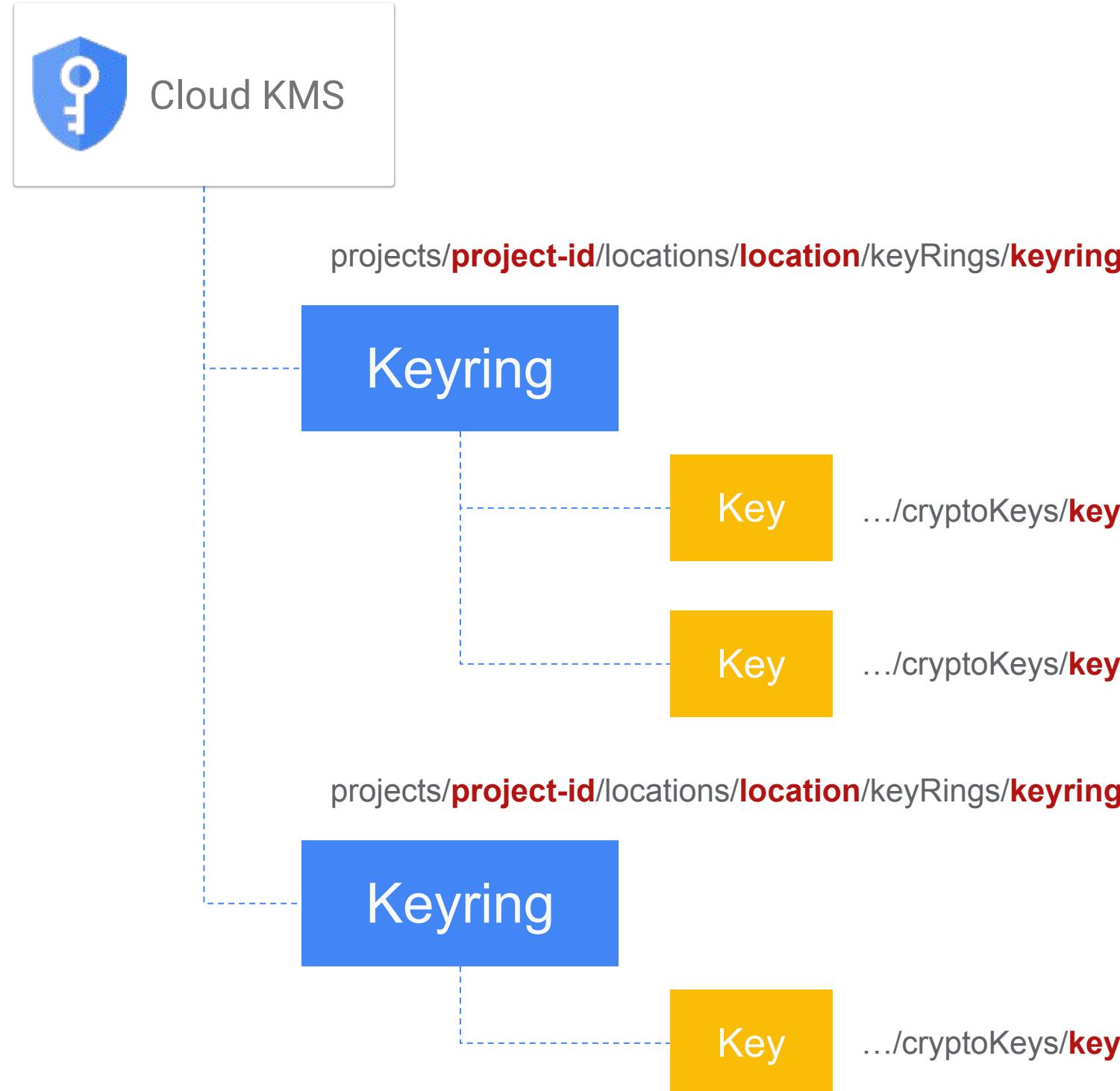


Centralized



Google Cloud

Keyrings and key hierarchy



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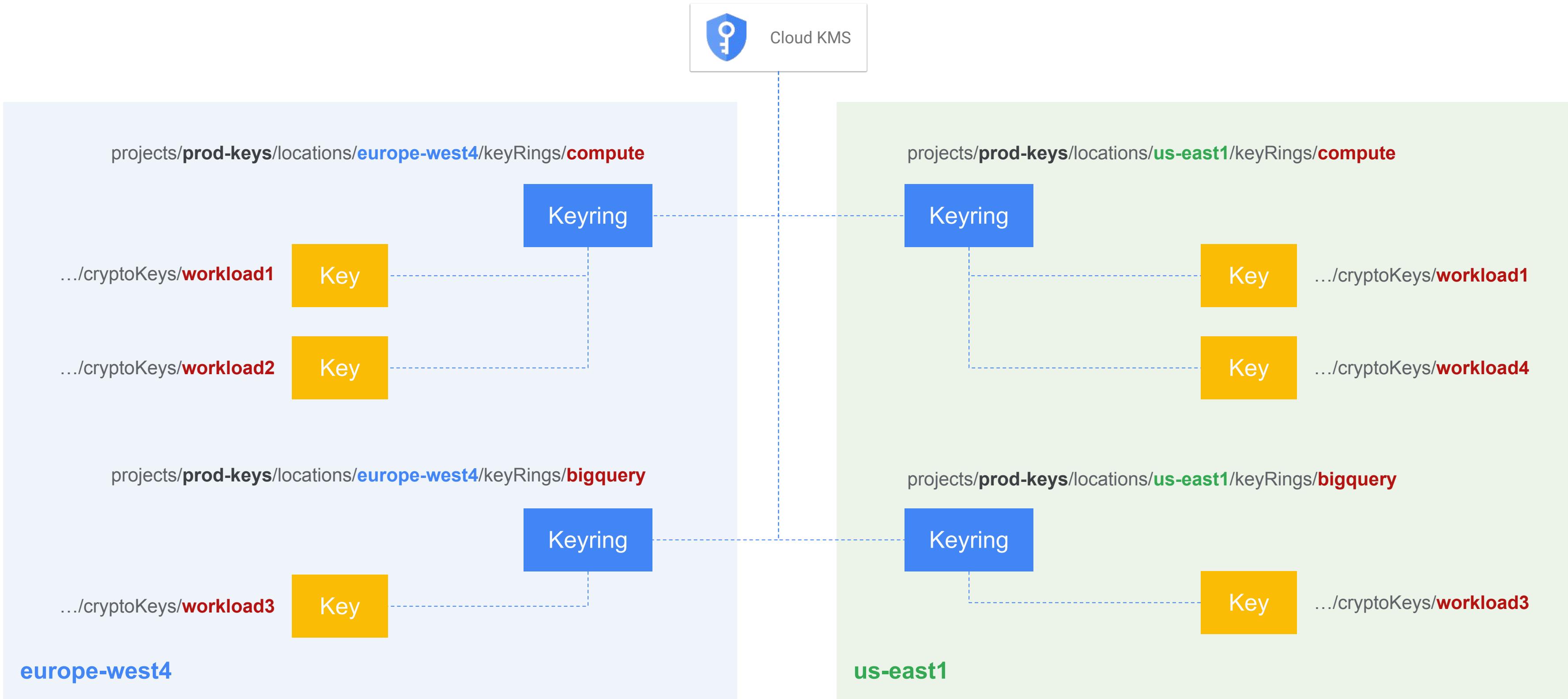
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- Legal entity

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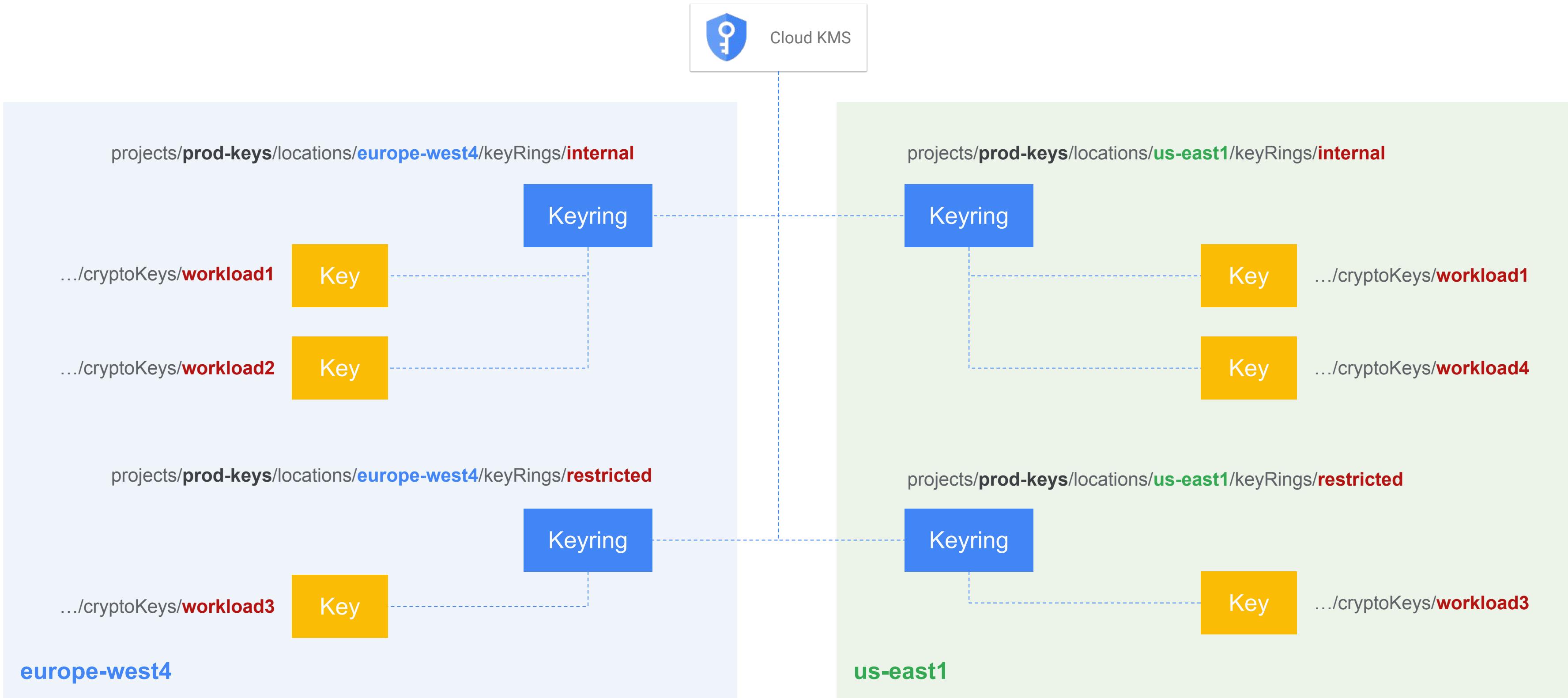
- Location
- Security classification
- Legal entity (if not split on project level)
- Service (e.g. GCE, GCS, BQ)

Key for every workload.

Example: Service split



Example: Data classification split



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Cymbal Bank has recently migrated to Google Cloud, and you need to set up key rotation.

How would you configure Cloud Key Management Service (KMS)?



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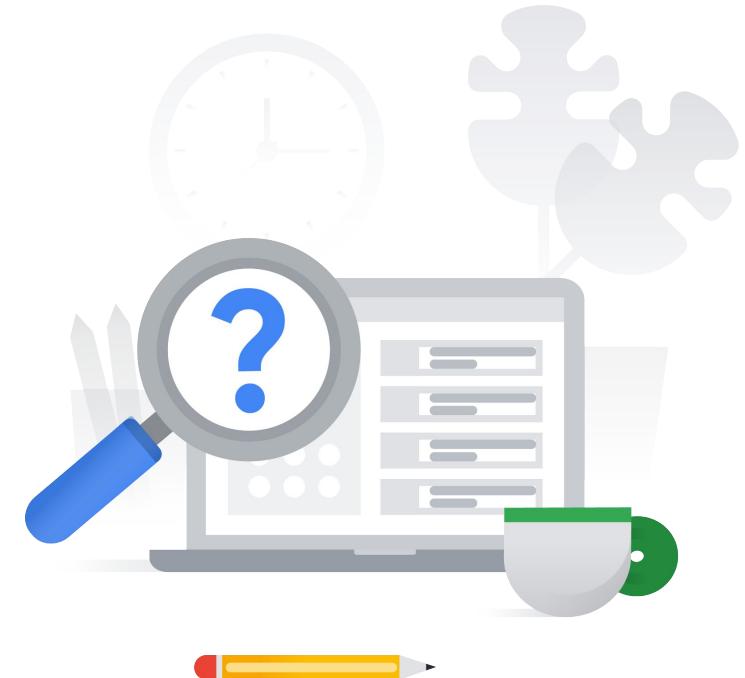
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What steps would you take to apply the encryption settings with a dedicated hardware security layer?



- A. In the Google Cloud console, navigate to Google Kubernetes Engine. Select your cluster and the boot node inside the cluster. Enable customer-managed encryption. Use Cloud HSM to generate random bytes and provide an additional layer of security.
- B. Create a new GKE cluster with customer-managed encryption and HSM enabled. Deploy the containers to this cluster. Delete the old GKE cluster. Use Cloud HSM to generate random bytes and provide an additional layer of security.
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- A. Create a Confidential VM instance with Customer-Supplied Encryption Keys. In Cloud Logging, collect all logs for sevLaunchAttestationReportEvent.
- B. Create a Shielded VM instance with Customer-Supplied Encryption Keys. In Cloud Logging, collect all logs for earlyBootReportEvent.
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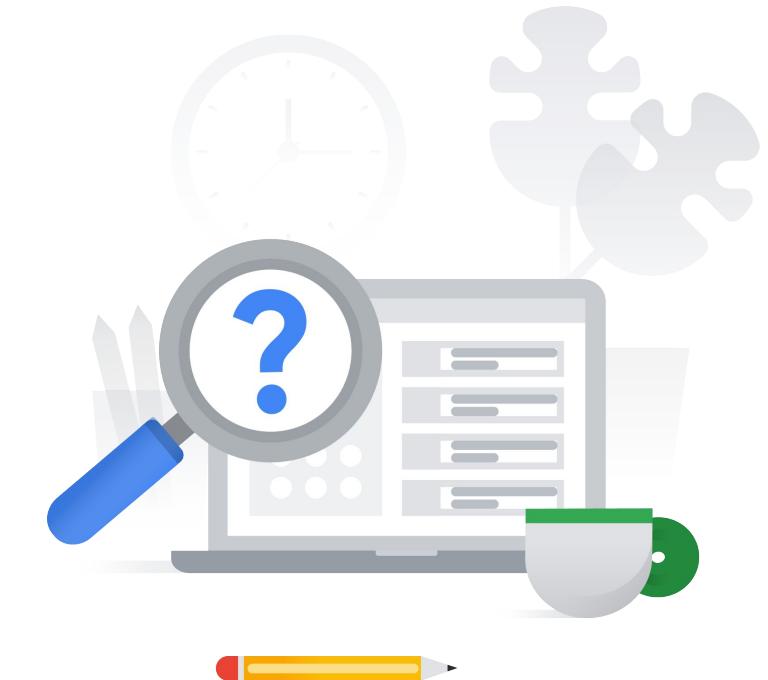
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4.2 | Diagnostic Question 03 Discussion

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How would you use Cloud Audit Logs to enable this analysis?

- A. Enable Data Access Logs for ADMIN_READ, DATA_READ, and DATA_WRITE at the service level for BigQuery and Cloud Storage.
- B. Enable Data Access Logs for ADMIN_READ, DATA_READ, and DATA_WRITE at the organization level.
- C. Enable Data Access Logs for ADMIN_READ, DATA_READ, and DATA_WRITE for Cloud Storage. All Data Access Logs are enabled for BigQuery by default.
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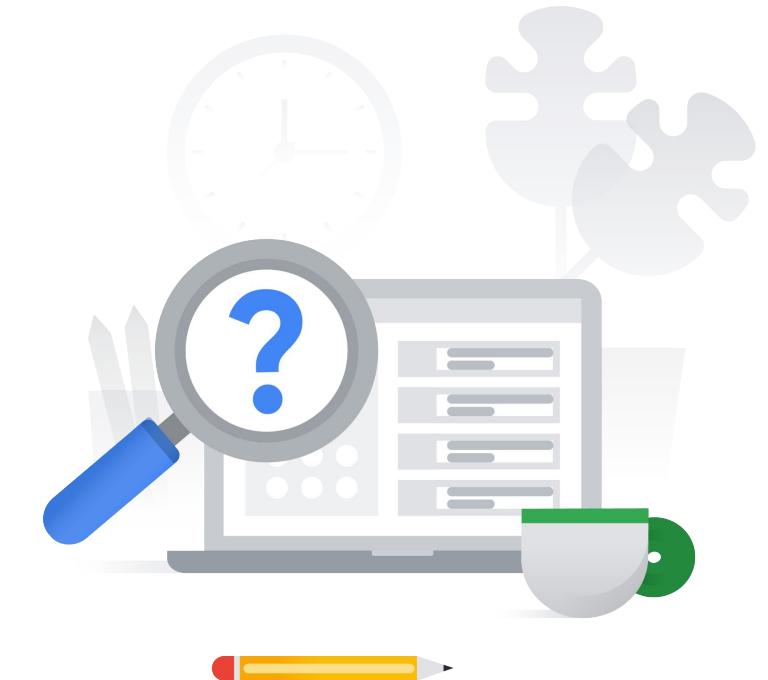


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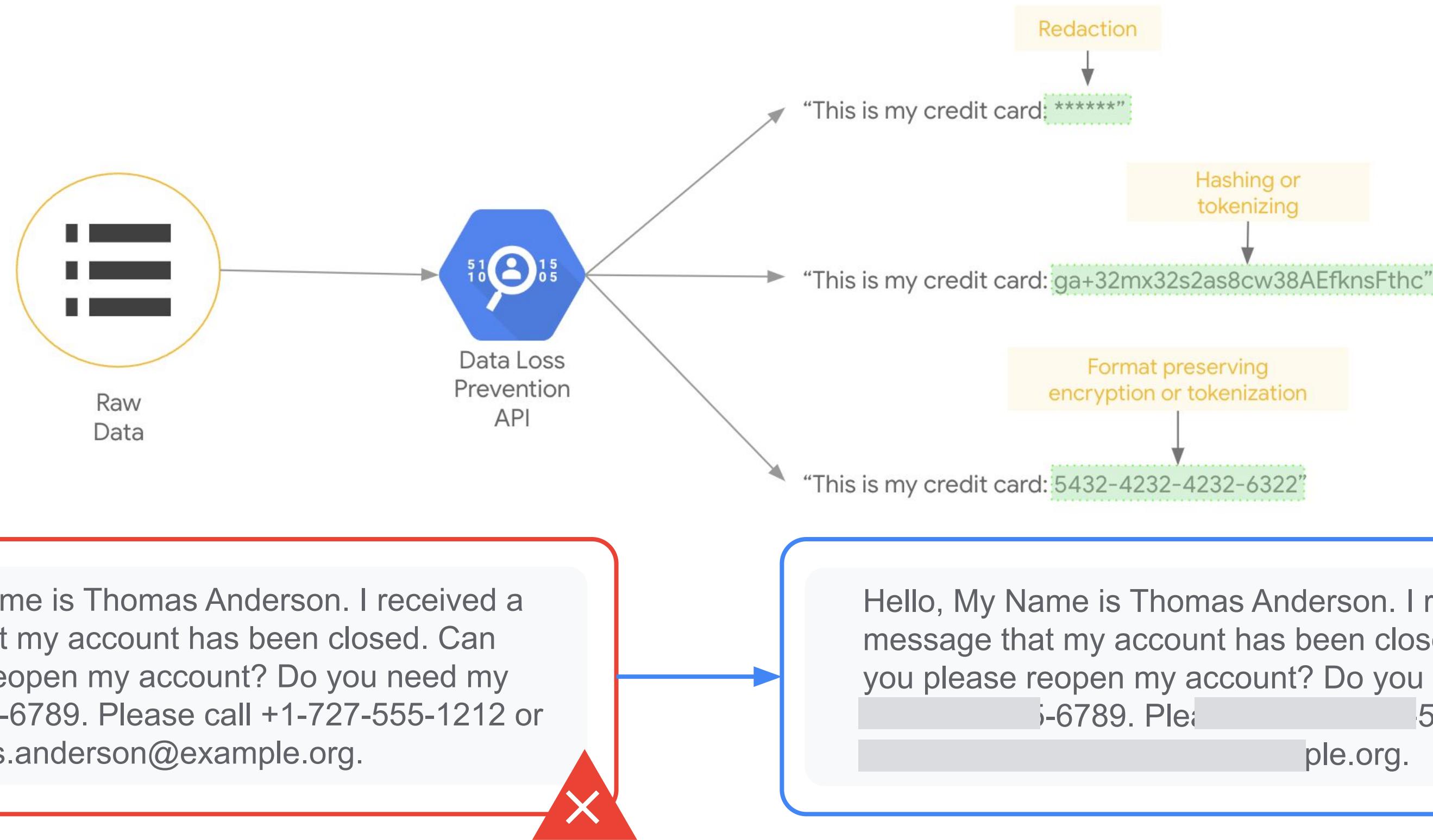
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Cloud DLP

Cloud DLP (Data Loss Prevention)

Provides programmatic access to a powerful detection engine for PII Data



De-identification (Data Masking)

Easy to use transformations

Redaction, masking, pseudonymization, tokenization, format-preserving encryption, date-shifting and more.

Handle structured and unstructured data

Apply transforms to an entire column or based on classified data in a “blob of text” or both.

Mask images

Generate redacted images based on findings or remove all text.

ID	Job Title	Phone	Comments
359740	Senior Engineer	307-964-0673	Please email them at jane@imadethisup.com
981587	VP, Engineer	713-910-6787	none
394091	Lawyer	692-398-4146	Updated phone to: 692-398-4146
986941	Senior Ops Manager	294-967-5508	none
490456	Junior Ops Manager	791-954-3281	Tried to verify account with their SSN 222-44-5555

De-ID: Tokenization

	A	B	C
1	userid	transaction_date	data1
2	jane@example.org	12/29/2018	Hello my email is jane@example.org
3	maria@example.org	9/12/2018	I am having trouble with my order
4	robert@example.org	2/14/2019	My payment card is 4111-1111-1111-1111

Tokenize

Inspect & Redact

Row	userid	transaction_date	data1
1	T1(32):Af9BFf7tF/2g34w9egkb0LGhZArwlw==	2020-02-07	Hello my email is [EMAIL_ADDRESS]
2	T1(32):AUilUzf+N62KzhGtNhWQTG3cDtCn1w==	2019-05-30	Hello my email is [EMAIL_ADDRESS]
3	T1(32):Afouix9iCzsLcaOpHbKLIVmt6TrJbQ==	2018-05-01	I am having trouble with my order
4	T1(32):AYTj/bMivbZ37dAME+IQ4wb/cTLMfA==	2019-05-07	I am having trouble with my order
5	T1(32):AYPpVAWy34Ymeuv7OdV0utN626zq6Q==	2018-05-27	Hello my email is [EMAIL_ADDRESS]
6	T1(32):ASUkwQG7s2abH/k0ksD8q1fkv8fc6Q==	2018-11-30	Hello my email is [EMAIL_ADDRESS]
7	T1(32):ARQctEZGZHBSQNbvOpbue5hnETA9MQ==	2017-11-16	I am having trouble with my order
8	T1(32):Afhp78xsIRcqtI++ugYM5oCRfyZ4g==	2019-04-24	Hello my email is [EMAIL_ADDRESS]
9	T1(32):AXielhmrk8g8B17l2CPddl3JGjaBug==	2018-05-06	I am having trouble with my order
10	T1(32):AeKYHtMICimEl+mBLfUTN7FdrRSOcg==	2018-07-06	My payment card is [CREDIT_CARD_NUMBER]
11	T1(32):AY580J6Z5y4ul4L93VVD2Efr9oLVag==	2019-12-27	Hello my email is [EMAIL_ADDRESS]
12	T1(32):AQW7f/9IEpEXIO7Eb3wEaEv7eZJHQA==	2019-02-22	My payment card is [CREDIT_CARD_NUMBER]

```
1 SELECT
2   userid,
3   COUNT(*) AS icount
4 FROM `deid-demo-lock1.webinar_06.*`
5 GROUP BY userid
6 ORDER BY icount DESC
```

Run Save query Save view Schedule

Query results

SAVE RESULTS

EXPLO

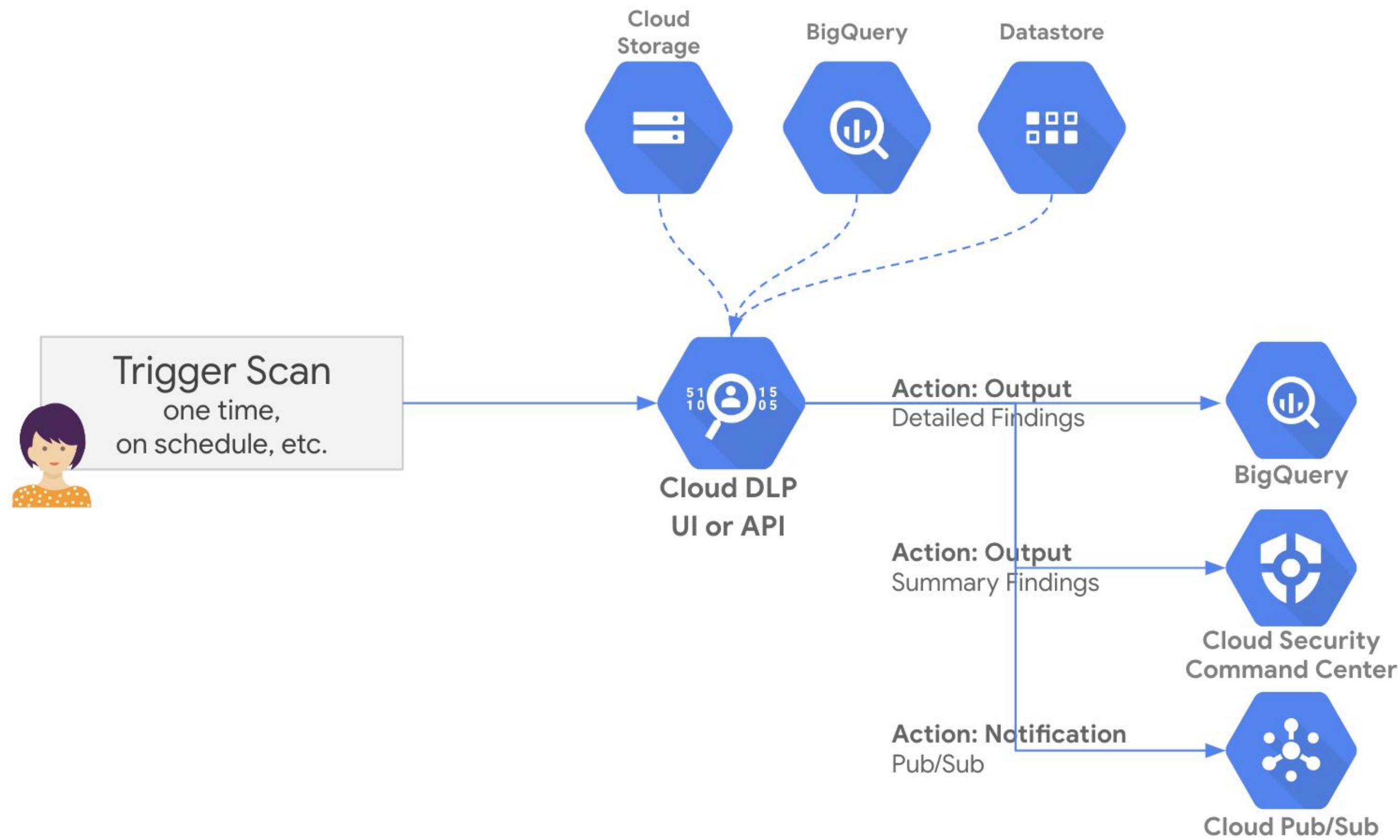
Query complete (1.4 sec elapsed, 16 KB processed)

Job information Results JSON Execution details

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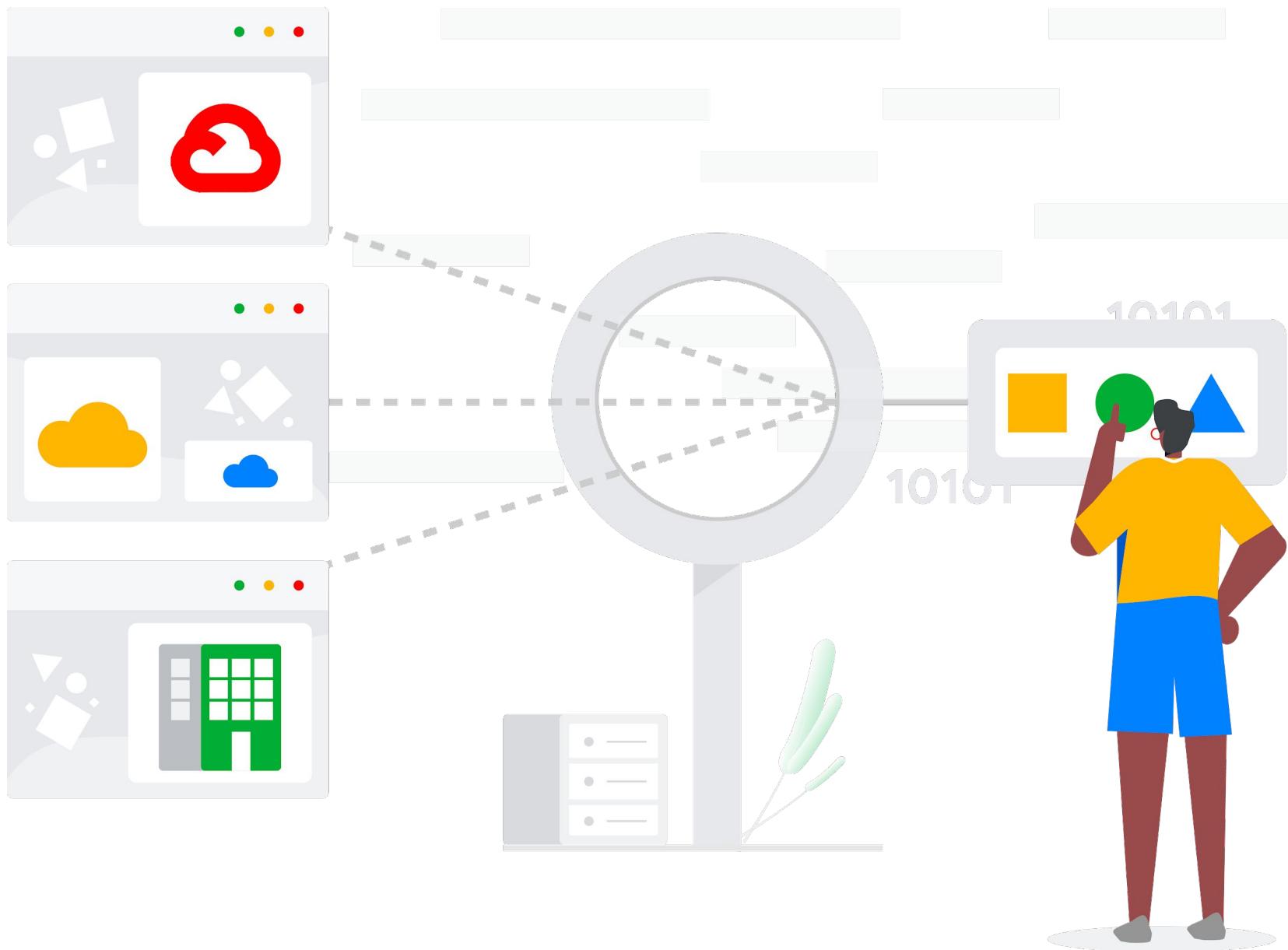
Tokens keep referential integrity

Implementing Cloud DLP



DLP Examples

- Use native inspection jobs to scan data at-rest in Cloud Storage, BigQuery, Datastore
- Use API “content” and “hybrid” methods to scan data at-rest on-prem, in other clouds, and in non-native storage systems (e.g. mysql running in a VM).
- Use API “content” and “hybrid” methods to scan data in motion via an Envoy filter/proxy or in custom applications



5.1 | Diagnostic Question 02 Discussion



You are designing a web application for Cymbal Bank so that customers who have credit card issues can contact dedicated support agents. Customers may enter their complete credit card number when chatting with or emailing support agents. You want to ensure compliance with PCI-DSS and prevent support agents from viewing this information in the most cost-effective way.

- A. Use customer-supplied encryption keys (CSEK) and Cloud Key Management Service (KMS) to detect and encrypt sensitive information.
- B. Detect sensitive information with Cloud Natural Language API.
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How do you provide the appropriate information to the data analysts?



- A. Generalize all dates to year and month with bucketing. Use the built-in infoType for customer name. Use a custom infoType for customer type with a custom dictionary.
- B. Generalize all dates to year and month with bucketing. Use the built-in infoType for customer name. Use a custom infoType for customer type with regular expression.
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- B. Create an authorized dataset in BigQuery’s Explorer panel. Write Customers’ table metadata into a JSON file, and edit the file to add each department’s Project ID and Dataset ID. Provide the `bigrquery.user` role to each department’s required users.
- C. Secure data with classification. Open the Data Catalog Taxonomies page in the Google Cloud Console. Create policy tags for required columns and rows. Provide the `bigrquery.user` role to each department’s required users. Provide policy tags access to each department separately.
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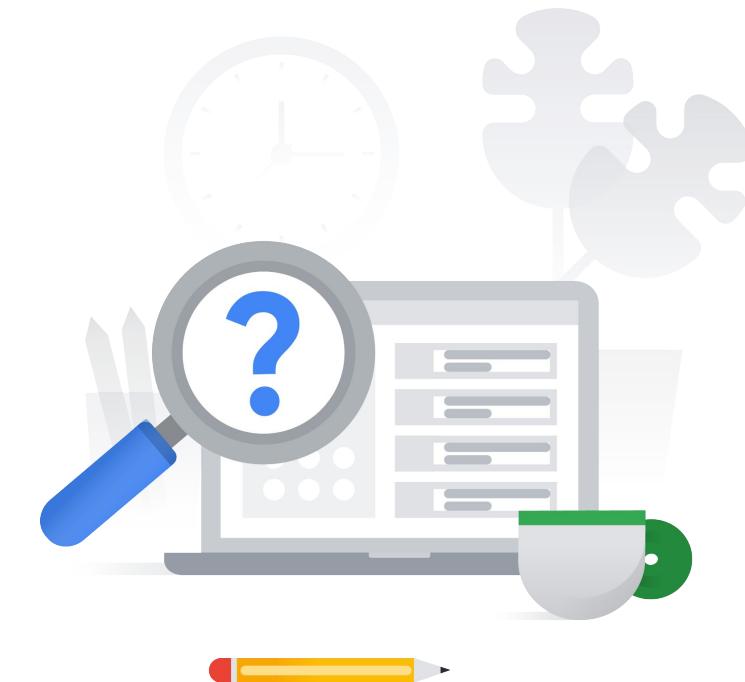


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What should you do?



- A. Use the Cloud Data Loss Prevention (DLP) API to make redact image requests. Provide your project ID, built-in infoTypes, and the scanned copies when you make the requests.
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Cymbal Bank calculates employee incentives on a monthly basis for the sales department and on a quarterly basis for the marketing department. The incentives are released with the next month's salary. Employee's performance documents are stored as spreadsheets, which are retained for at least one year for audit. You want to configure the most cost-effective storage for this scenario.

What should you do?

- A. Import the spreadsheets to BigQuery, and create separate tables for Sales and Marketing. Set table expiry rules to 365 days for both tables. Create jobs scheduled to run every quarter for Marketing and every month for Sales.
- B. Upload the spreadsheets to Cloud Storage. Select the Nearline storage class for the sales department and Coldline storage for the marketing department. Use object lifecycle management rules to set the storage class to Archival after 365 days. Process the data on BigQuery using jobs that run monthly for Sales and quarterly for Marketing.
- C. Import the spreadsheets to Cloud SQL, and create separate tables for Sales and Marketing. For Table Expiration, set 365 days for both tables. Use stored procedures to calculate incentives. Use App Engine cron jobs to run stored procedures monthly for Sales and quarterly for Marketing.
- D. Import the spreadsheets into Cloud Storage and create NoSQL tables. Use App Engine cron jobs to run monthly for Sales and quarterly for Marketing. Use a separate job to delete the data after 1 year.



3.2 | Diagnostic Question 07 Discussion

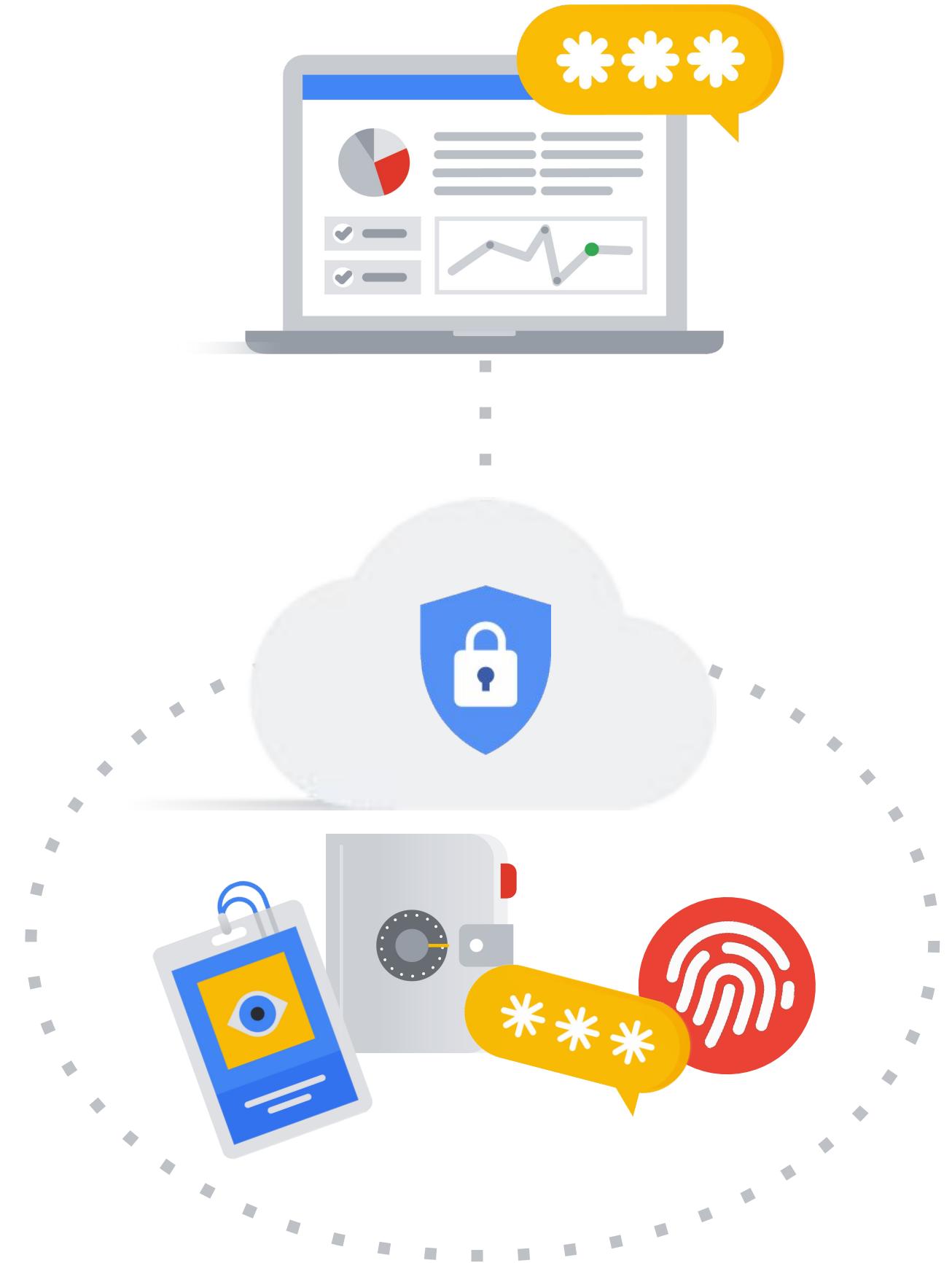
Cymbal Bank calculates employee incentives on a monthly basis for the sales department and on a quarterly basis for the marketing department. The incentives are released with the next month's salary. Employee's performance documents are stored as spreadsheets, which are retained for at least one year for audit. You want to configure the most cost-effective storage for this scenario.

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Secret Manager



Protect secret key-value data with [Secret Manager](#)

Exam Tip: Secret Manager (or other specialized service like Hashicorp Vault) is a preferred method of storing secrets. You should NOT use source code repos / environment variables / config files for this purpose!

When to use (or do not use) Secret Manager

Use Secret Manager to store...

- Credentials
- API tokens
- Base64 encoded private keys
- Certificates
- Other ASCII text secrets

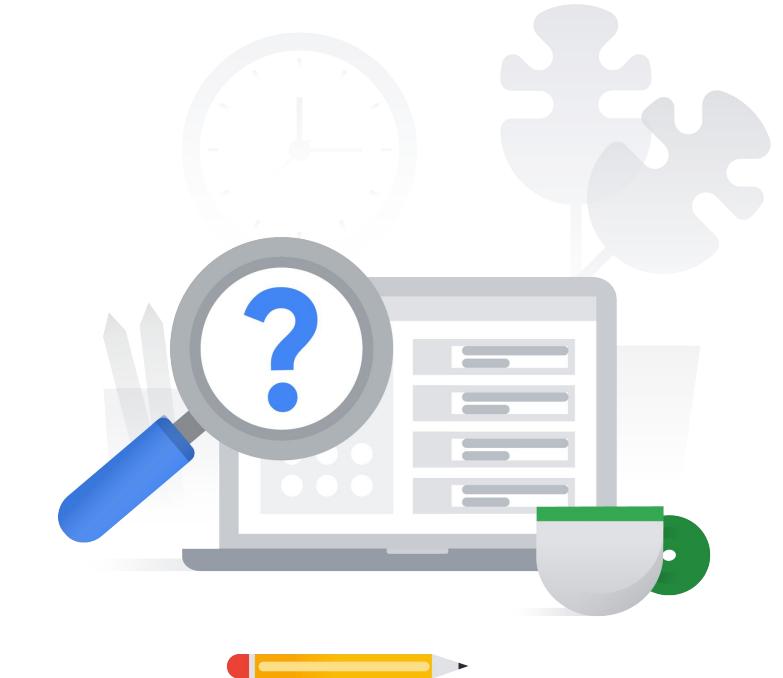
Do not use Secret Manager to store...

- Dynamic secrets
- AES symmetric key
- Dynamic secrets and short-term credentials automatically generated
- Secrets that scale with O(users) like user login data
- SA keys

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- B. Use Project metadata to read the current machine's IP address, and use a startup script to add access to Cloud SQL. Store Cloud SQL's connection string in Cloud Key Management Service, and store the password in Secret Manager. Store the Username in Project metadata.
- C. Use Project metadata to read the current machine's IP address and use a gcloud command to add access to Cloud SQL. Store Cloud SQL's connection string and username in Cloud Key Management Service, and store the password in Secret Manager.
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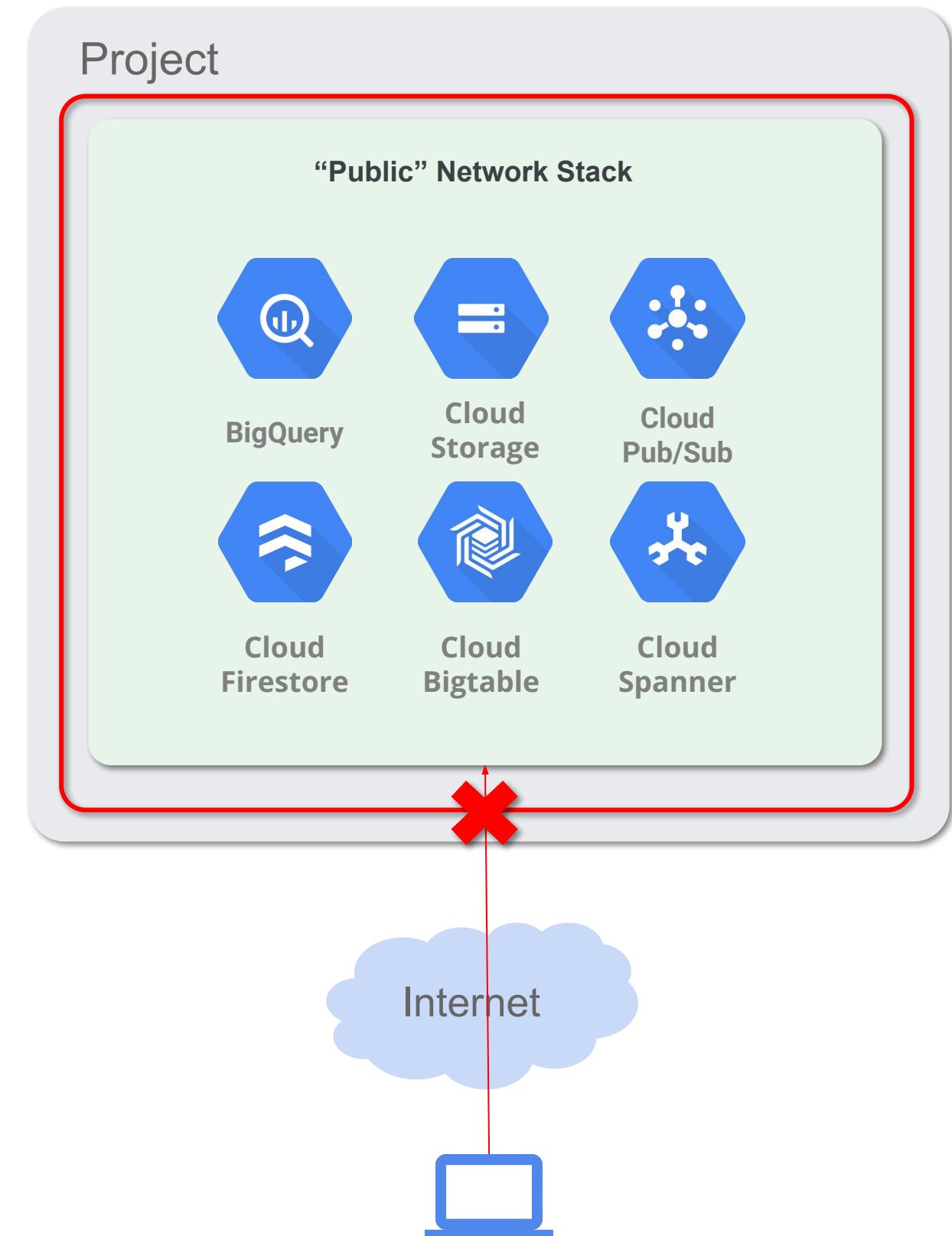


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VPC Service Controls

Why is VPC Service Control needed?

- Key use-case: **Mitigate data exfiltration risks**
- Google Managed Services run on a **‘Public’ network stack**, i.e. outside of your VPC network and its APIs are publically accessible.
- **Firewall rules cannot** be used to provide more granular access control to these services.
- VPC Service Controls provides **an additional layer of security defense** for Google Cloud services that is independent of Identity and Access Management (IAM).
- VPC Service Controls enables **broader context-based perimeter security**, including controlling data egress across the perimeter.



VPC Service Controls versus Firewall Policies

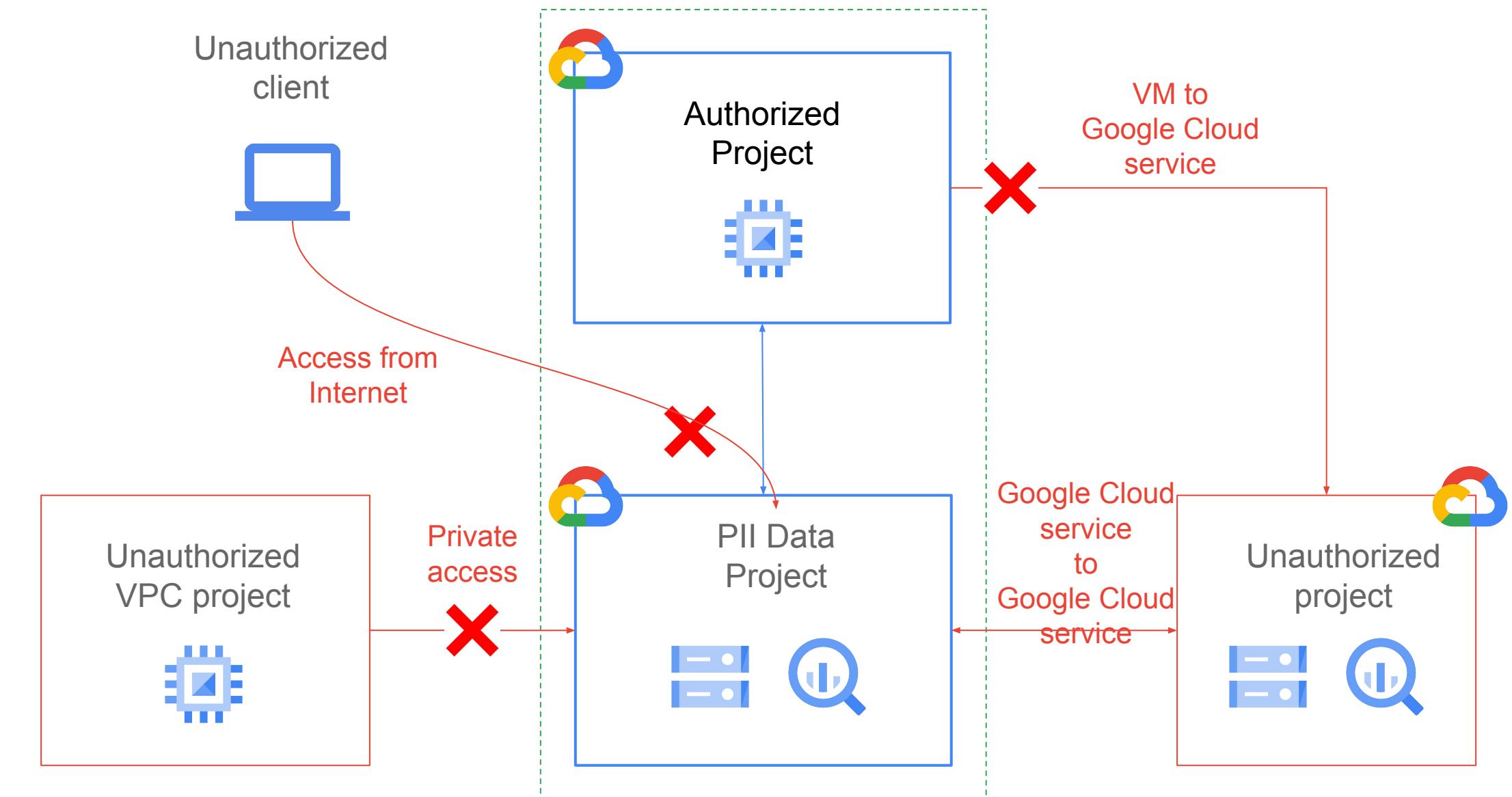
	Firewall Policies	VPC Service Control
Control path	VM ↔ VM VM ↔ Internet VM ↔ On-premises	Google Cloud Service ↔ VM Google Cloud Service ↔ Internet Google Cloud Service ↔ On-premise Google Cloud Service ↔ Google Cloud Service
Conditions	5-tuple VM tags VM service accounts	VPC network Google Cloud project Service accounts Internet IPs
Policies apply to	VMs in a VPC network VMs grouped by tag VMs grouped by service account	API based resources grouped by project

Protect against data exfiltration with VPC Service Controls

Service perimeter

Extend perimeter security to managed Google Cloud services

- Control VM-to-service and service-to-service paths.
- Ingress: prevent access from the unauthorized networks.
- Egress: prevent copying of data to unauthorized Google Cloud Projects.
- Project-level granularity.

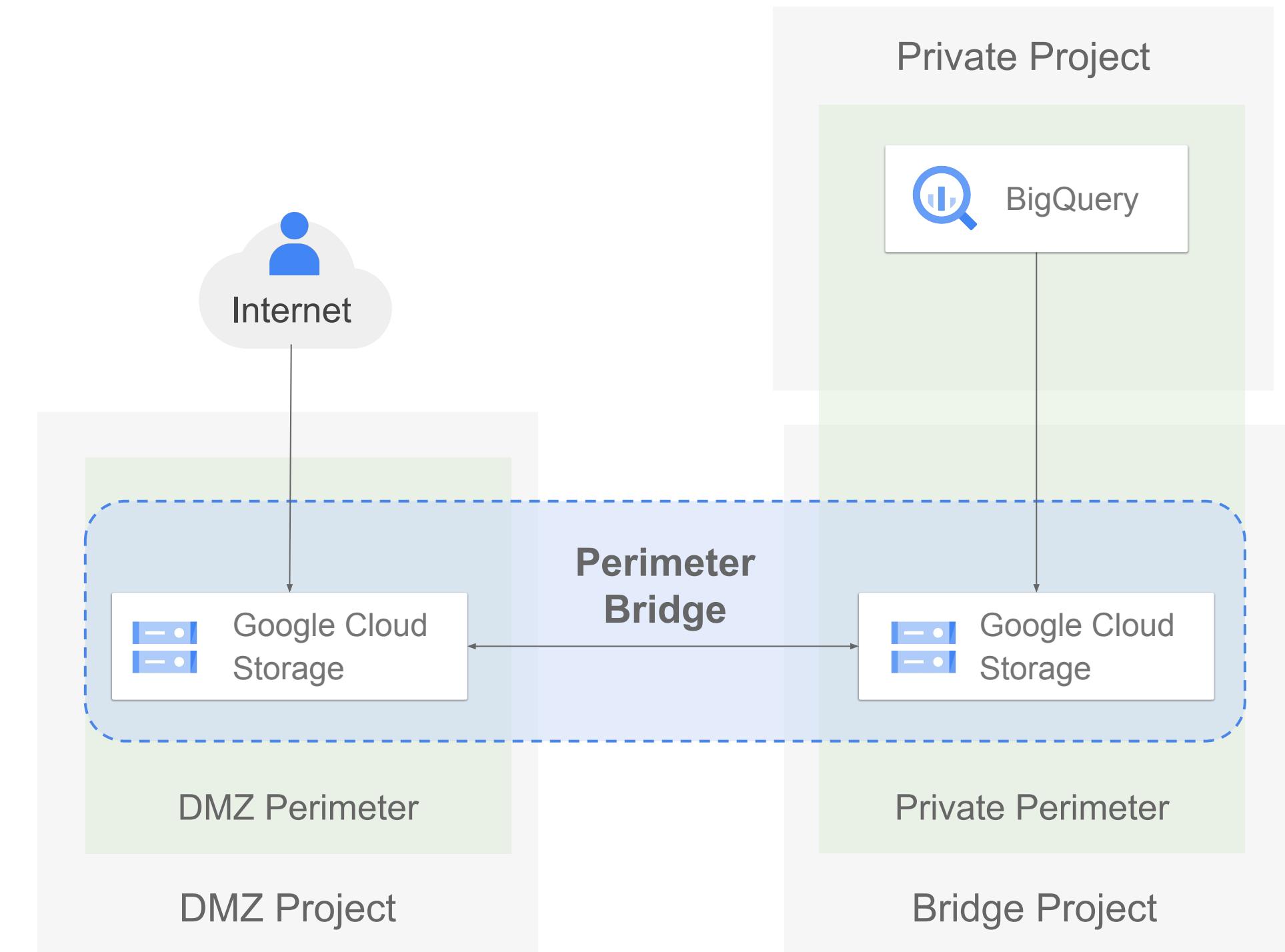


VPC Service Controls - Perimeter Bridge

Perimeter Bridge

Share data across Service Perimeters

- Allows communication between Google Cloud resources across Service Perimeters.
- A Google Cloud project can belong to only one Service Perimeter but can be a part of multiple Perimeter Bridges.
- Only the Service Perimeter determines the security policies for a Project.



2.5 | Diagnostic Question 09 Discussion

Cymbal Bank requires that access to the Cloud Storage buckets in a project is restricted to ensure that the only way the buckets or objects within can be accessed is via users (who also have the necessary IAM role or ACL access to the bucket or object) first connecting to a VM running in a VPC in the project via SSH. You also want to ensure that users and service accounts are blocked from access to other Google Cloud APIs in the same project from VMs in the project VPCs, regardless of whether they have access via Identity and Access Management (IAM) roles.

Select the approach that can accomplish this with minimal configuration effort and complexity.

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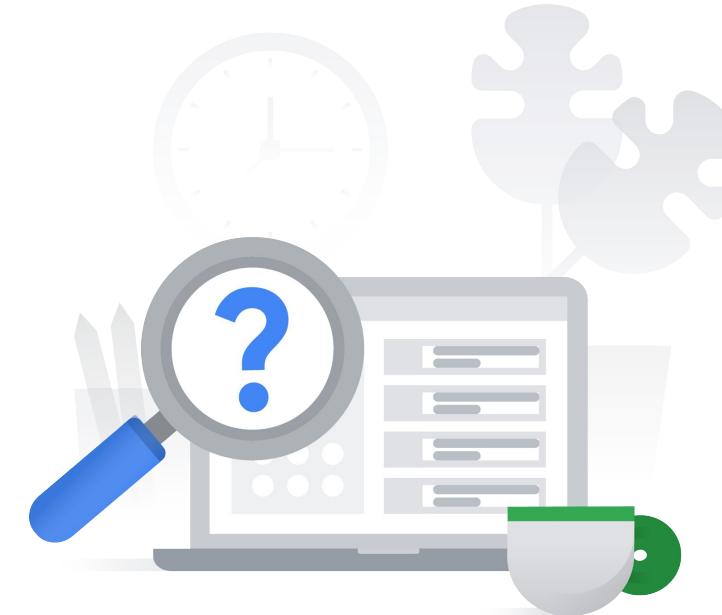
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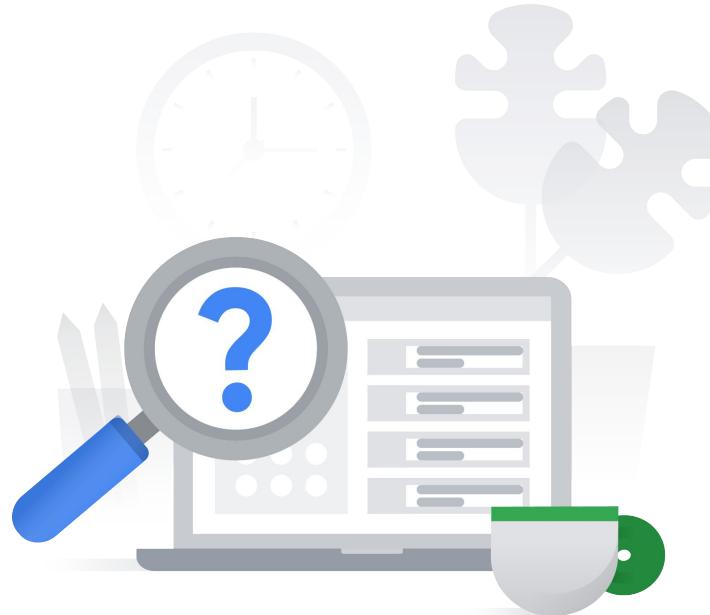


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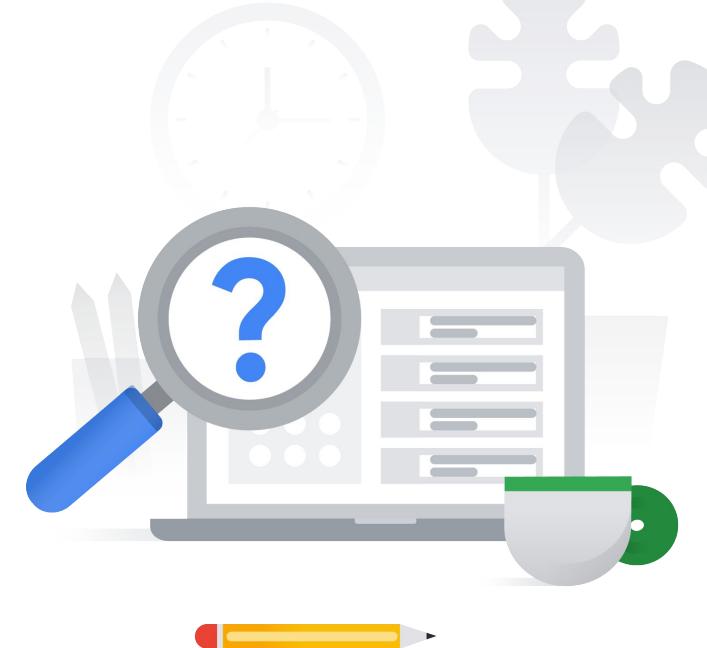
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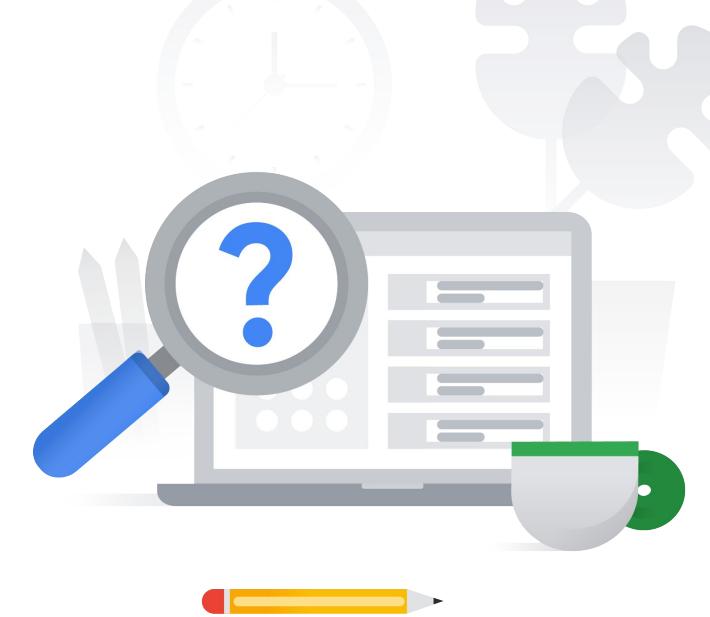
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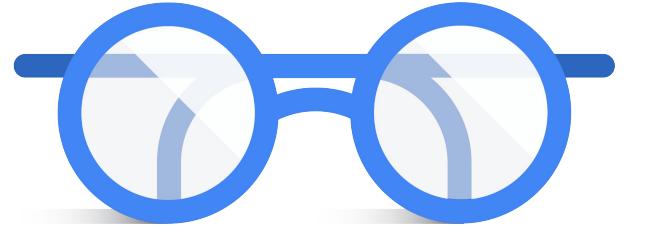
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DNSSEC



DNSSEC (DNS Security)

- Prevents DNS poisoning/spoofing through strong **authentication**/establishing trust relationship between domain registrar and server providing the DNS service (DNS host)
- **Enable:** first enable in Cloud DNS, then add DS record in registrar
- **Disable:** disable in registrar (remove DS record). Once the record cache is expired, disable it in Cloud DNS
- **TTL:** avoid TTL for DS longer than 259200 seconds (3 days)
- Know how to “[Migrate or transfer DNSSEC-enabled zones](#)”

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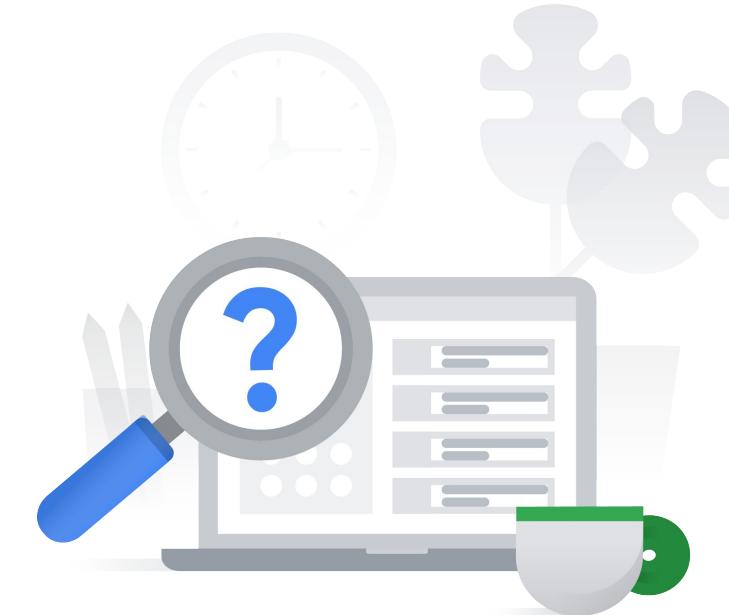
How would you enable the lookup access to ensure that the requests are always authenticated and are protected against exfiltration?

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- B. Create a peering zone. Set P1 as producer network and P2 as consumer network. Then enable DNSSEC with `gcloud dns managed-zones update zone-name -dnssec-state on`.
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Kubernetes Engine Security Best Practices - Part 1



Container-Optimized OS

Default for Kubernetes Engine

Minimal footprint

- Based on Chromium OS
- Optimized for Kubernetes Engine and Compute Engine
- Unnecessary packages removed

OS security features:

- Locked-down firewall
- Read-only filesystem where possible
- Limited user access
- Disabled root login

Hardened kernel with security features:

- Opt-in to auto-upgrade OS on nodes during maintenance window
- Integrity Measurement Architecture (IMA)
- Audit, Kernel Page Table Isolation (KPTI)
- Linux Security Modules (LSMs) from Chromium OS

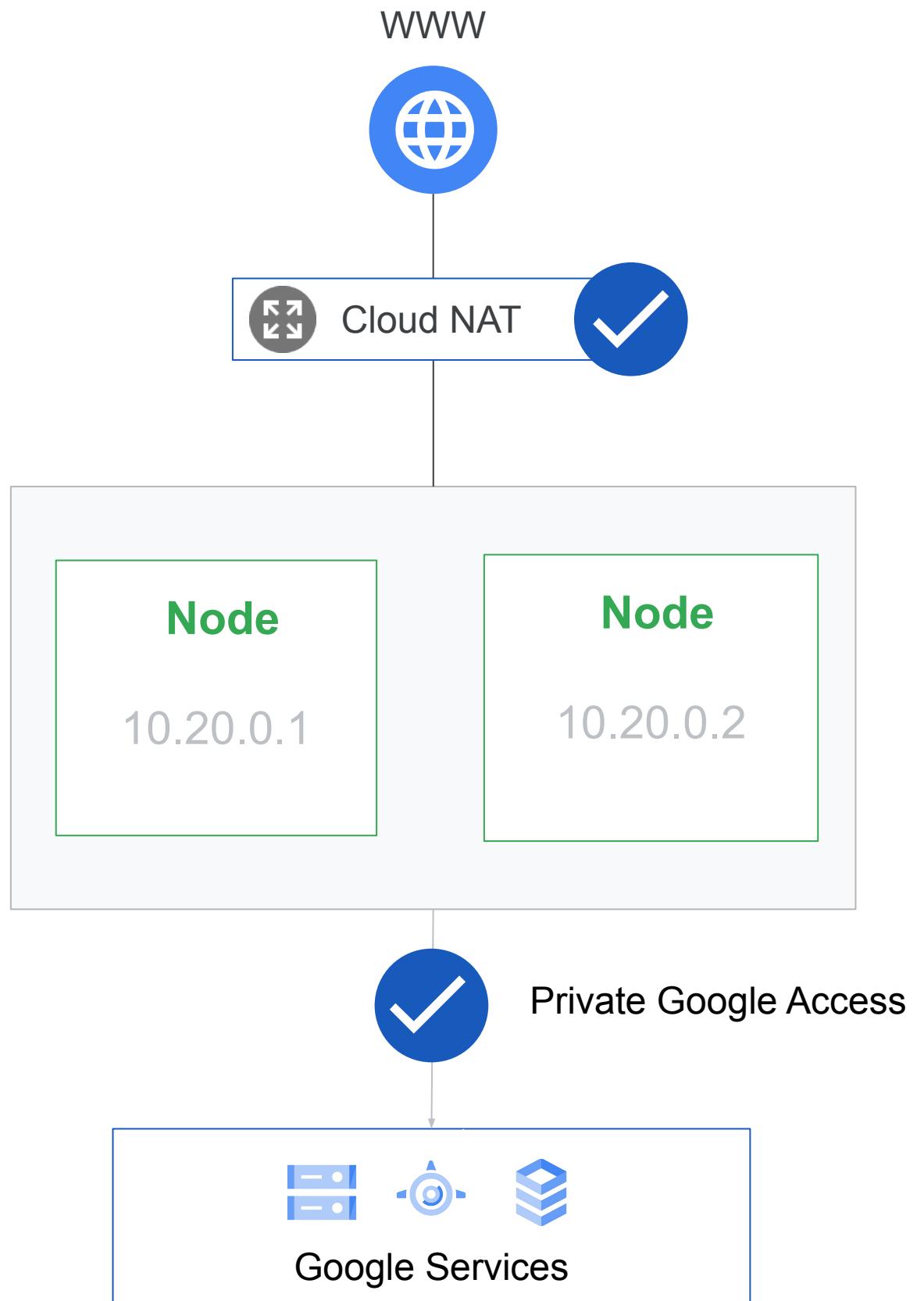




Private clusters

Private clusters isolate nodes from having inbound and outbound connectivity to the public internet

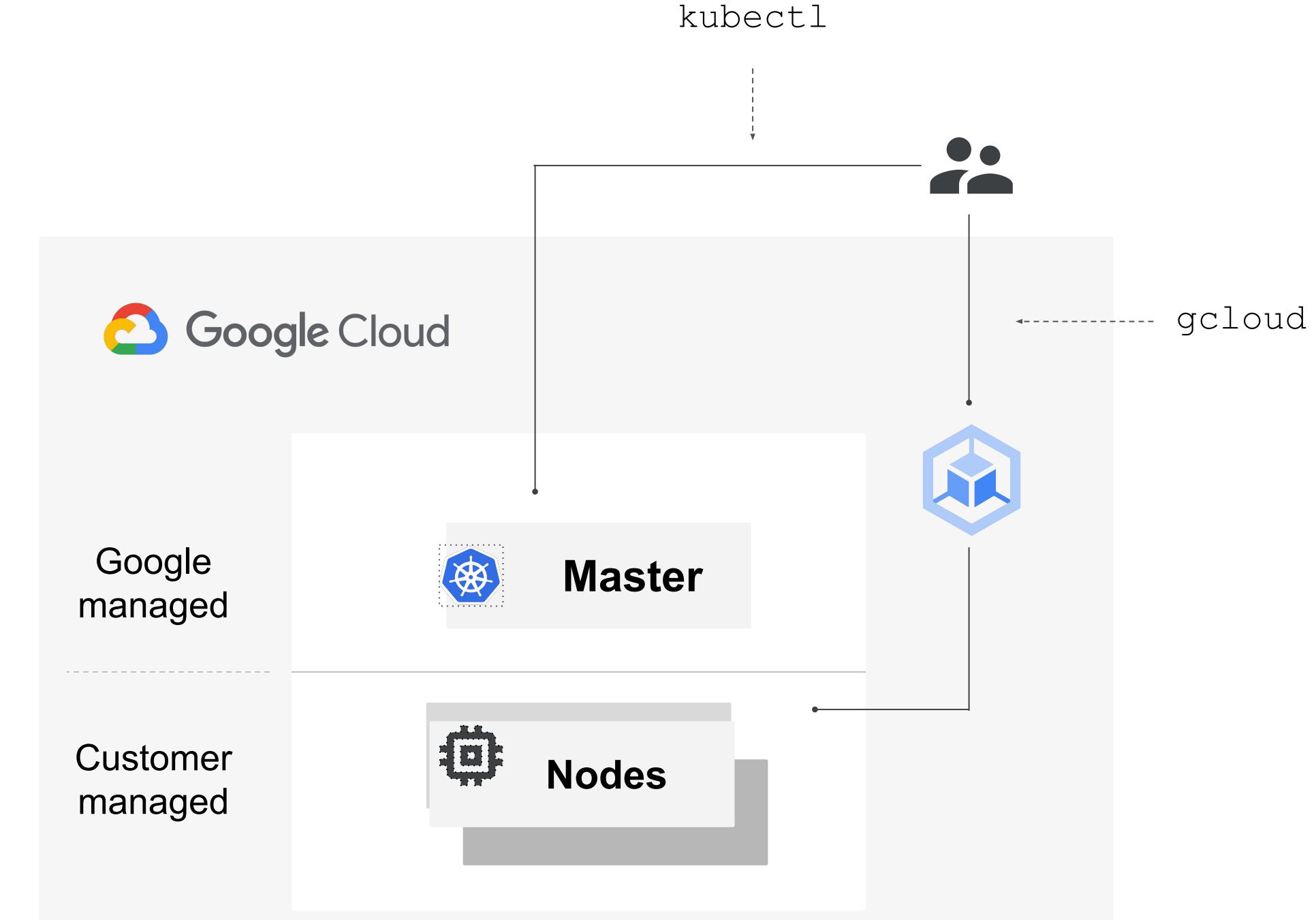
- Nodes have only private IP addresses
- Nodes use Private Google Access to communicate with Google APIs
- Nodes can use Cloud NAT to reach the internet
- Control Plane gets an additional private endpoint for the cluster nodes to talk to the control plane.





Automatic control plane and node upgrade

- GKE is **a managed service** and we keep the cluster control plane up-to-date and secure
- Cluster control planes are **always upgraded** on a regular basis, regardless of whether the cluster is enrolled in a release channel or not
 - Automatic upgrades can be controlled by defining [maintenance windows and exclusions](#)
 - Manual upgrades/downgrades possible
- Control plane is not 100% accessible during upgrades unless the cluster is *regional*
 - Regional masters are upgraded by rolling update and the uptime SLO is 99.95%

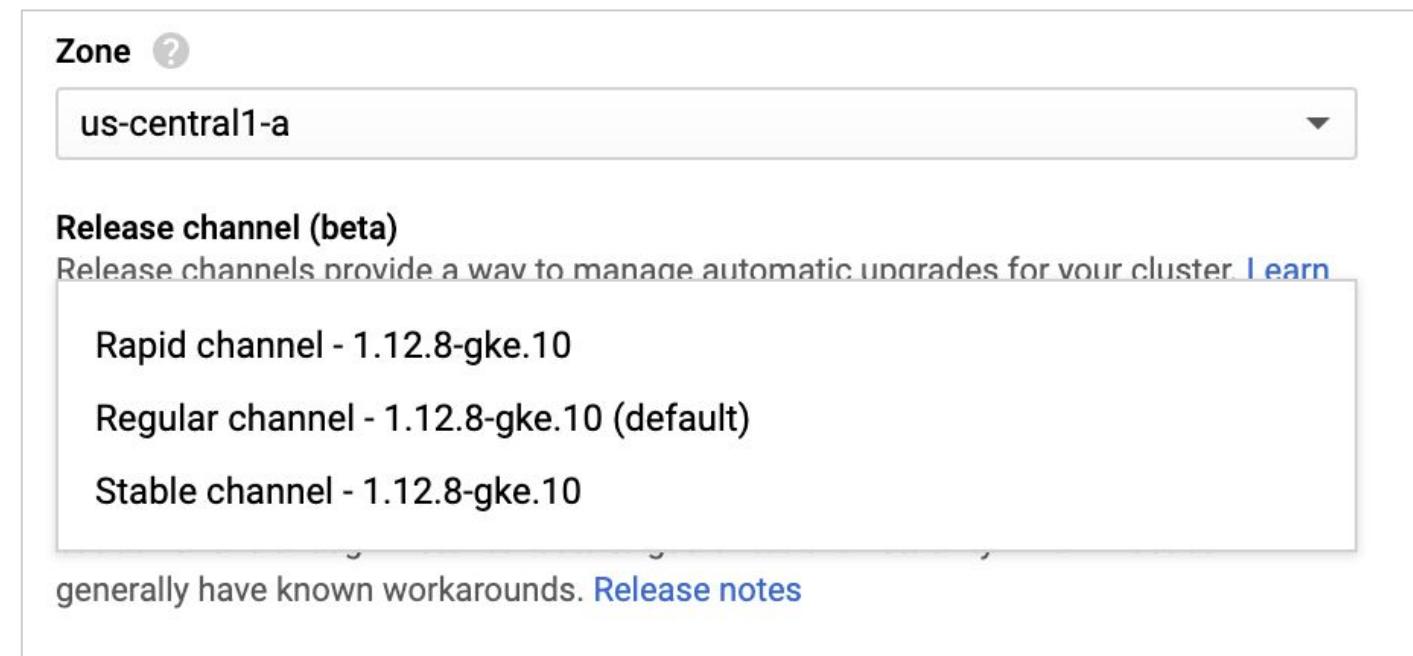




Auto Upgrade and Risk Tolerance Profiles for Enterprise Customers

Release Channels: Chrome-like, automated updates. Choose a release cadence and feature set to match risk preference.

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gcloud alpha container clusters create [CLUSTER_NAME] --release-channel rapid
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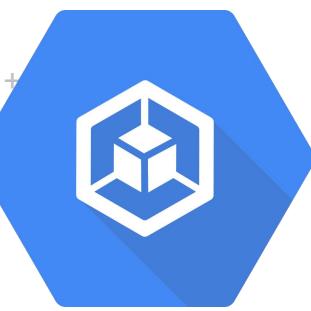


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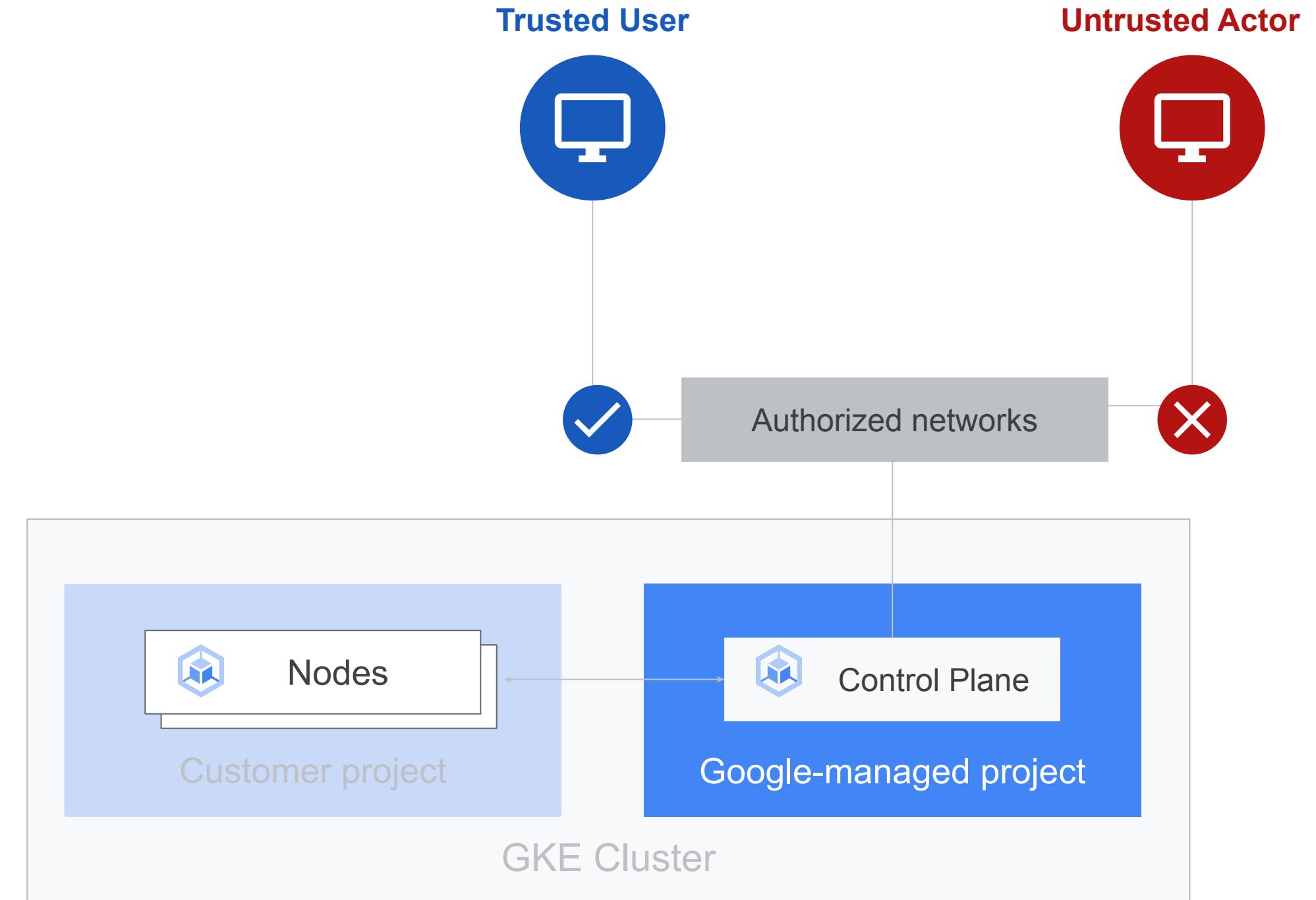
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Authorized networks

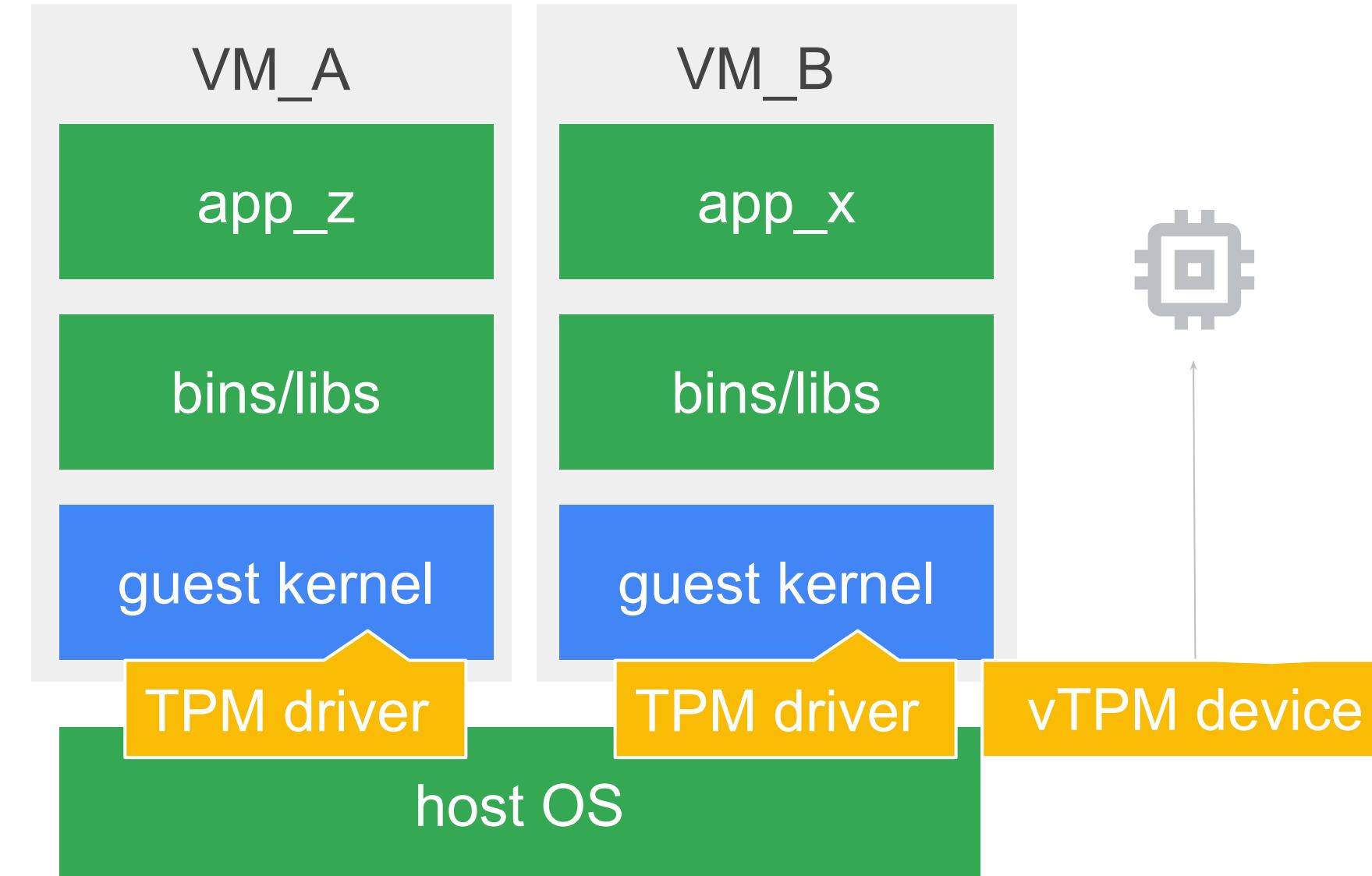
- Authorized networks restrict access to the control plane to trusted CIDR ranges.
Mandatory for private clusters.
- By default nodes and pods ranges are allowed.
- Google recommends activating it for all clusters.
- Control plane access via public IP can be disabled (recommended). This is called Private endpoint.



Shielded Nodes



- Built on top of **Compute Engine Shielded VMs**
- Now on by default
- Limits the ability of an attacker to impersonate a node in your cluster
- Verifies:
 - Node is a virtual machine running in Google's data center
 - Node is part of the Managed Instance Group (MIG) provisioned for the cluster
 - The kubelet is being provisioned a certificate for the node on which it is running.



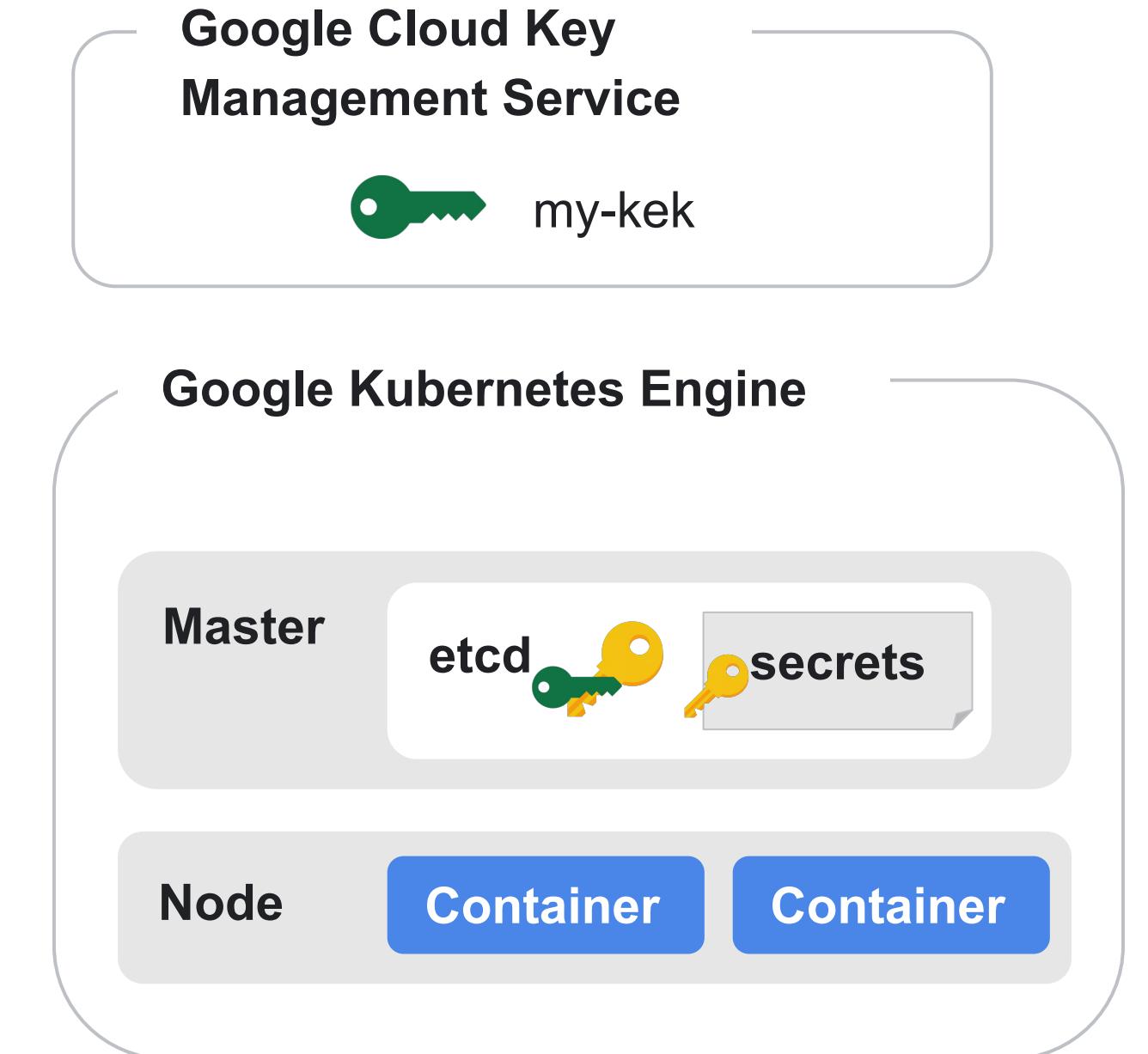


GKE Secret management

Enable Application Layer Encryption for sensitive data

- Application-layer Secrets Encryption provides an additional layer of security for sensitive data, such as Secrets, stored in etcd.
- Data in etcd, such as secrets, are encrypted locally with a data encryption key (DEK)
- The data encryption key is also stored in etcd, but encrypted with a key encryption key (KEK) in Cloud KMS, via a KMS plugin

Use [Secret Manager](#) or third-party tool like Vault to store and manage your GKE Secrets





IAM: Use default roles as a starting point

These roles are available by default for Kubernetes Engine users.

- Kubernetes Engine Admin** Full permissions to manage container clusters **and Kubernetes API objects**.
- Kubernetes Engine Cluster Admin** Full permissions to manage container clusters, **but not Kubernetes API objects**.
- Kubernetes Engine Cluster Viewer** Read-only access to view and list clusters
- Kubernetes Engine Developer** Full permissions to manage Kubernetes API objects, **but not the container clusters**.
- Kubernetes Engine Viewer** Provides read-only access to Kubernetes API objects.



What can I do with RBAC?

IAM is great. However, RBAC at the cluster level allows for much more granular authorization control.

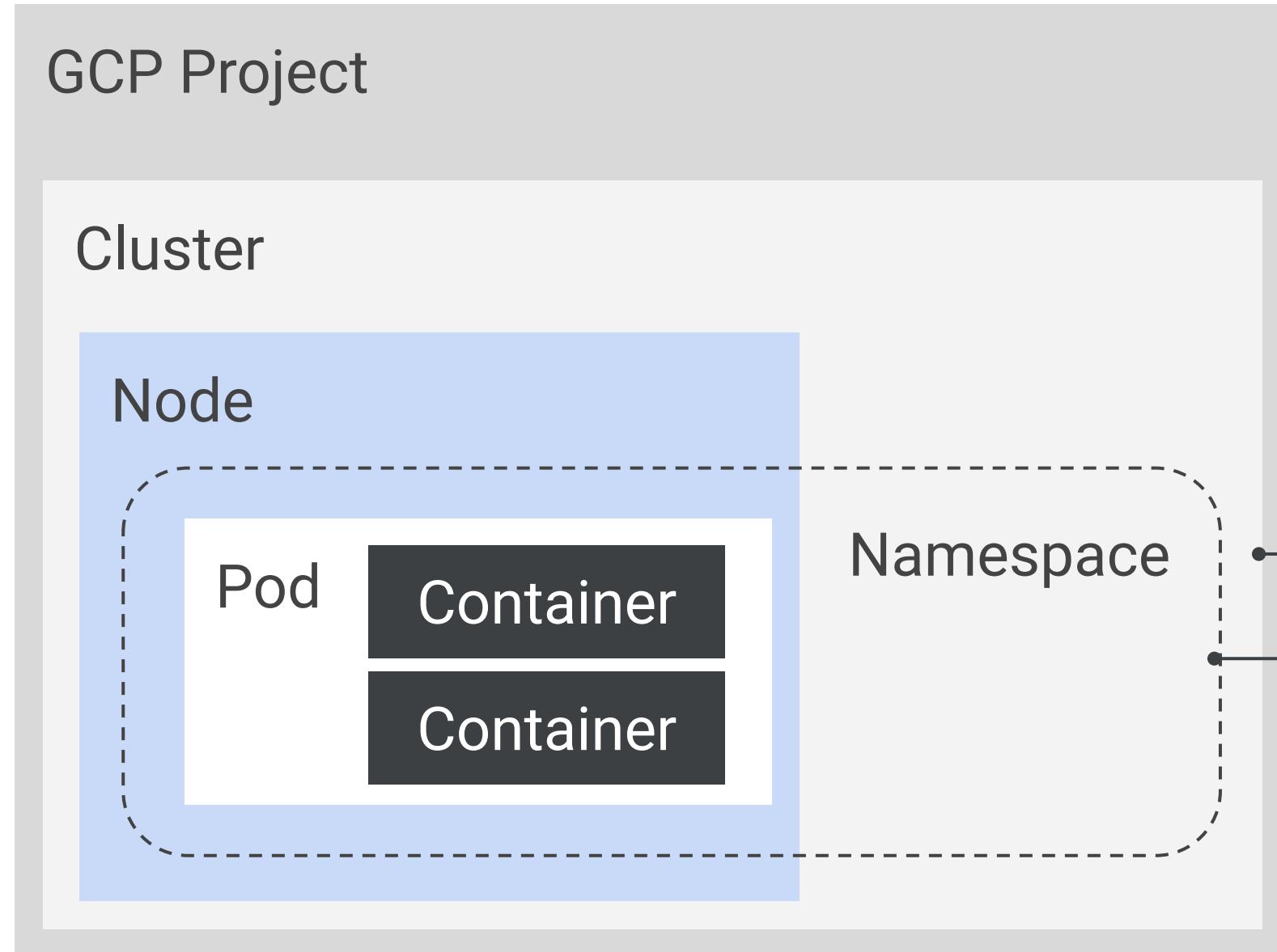
Secure your cluster by granting privileged operations (accessing secrets, for example) only to admin users.

Enforce user-based authentication and authorization **by the cluster**.

Limit resource creation (such as pods, persistent volumes, deployments) to specific namespaces.

Have users and pods only see resources in their authorized namespace. This allows you to isolate resources within your organization (for example, between development teams).

GKE: Using IAM and RBAC



- **Use IAM at the project level**

Set roles for

- Cluster Admin: manage clusters
- Container Developer: API access within clusters

- **Use RBAC at the cluster and namespace level**

Set permissions on individual clusters and namespaces

Additional content



QUIZ week 3

(the one we went through during the meeting)

Reminder:

- NOT as complex as questions on the exam
- Technical knowledge validation (No business context)

Additional content 1

[READING]

- [Overview of VPC Service Controls](#)
- [Cloud DLP: Classification, redaction, and de-identification](#)
- [DLP: Transformation methods](#)
- [DLP: Format-preserving encryption](#)
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- [GCS Retention policies and retention policy locks](#)
- [Confidential Computing overview](#)

Additional content 2

- What is Confidential Computing:
<https://cloud.google.com/blog/products/identity-security/confidential-computing-data-encryption-during-processing>
- DLP: <https://cloud.google.com/blog/products/identity-security/google-cloud-dlp-can-modify-data-to-protect-it>
- [Three pseudonymization methods available in Cloud DLP](#)
- [BigQuery encryption](#)
- [BigQuery - CMEK](#)
- [What is VM Metadata?](#)
- [Cloud External Key Manager](#) and [hosted private HSM](#)
- [Overview of Secret Manager](#), [best practices](#) and [secret rotation](#).
- [How to use and lock GCS Retention Policies](#)
- [KMS Key versions](#)
- [\[Cloud DLP\] Hybrid scenarios](#)
- [\[Recommended\] Secret Manager best practices](#)

[VIDEOS]

- Cloud DLP: inspection of PII data and de-identification: [De-identification and inspection templates with Cloud DLP](#)

Additional content 3

- Pseudo-anonymization technique and other interesting capabilities of DLP: [How to use tokenization with Cloud DLP](#)
- [\[Cloud DLP\] Managing sensitive data in hybrid environments](#)
- Great intro into Secret Manager: [Manage your Cloud Run secrets securely with Secret Manager](#)
- [Securing GCP Projects with VPC Service Controls](#): VPC-SC explained in 3 minutes.
- [Preventing Data Exfiltration on GCP \(Cloud Next '19\)](#): structured approach to misconfigured policies, leaked credentials, broad privileges, malicious insiders, compromised code etc.
 - a. Great intro to VPC-SC
 - b. VERY USEFUL VIDEO!!!! 42 mins, but SO useful!

[PODCASTS]

- [Confidentially Speaking](#)
- [Confidentially Speaking 2: Cloudful of Secrets](#)
- [Data Security in the Cloud](#)

[DEEP DIVES]

- [Secrets in serverless - 2.0](#) (comparison of KMS vs Secret Manager for storing secrets).
- [Encryption at rest in GCP](#).
- [Encryption in transit in GCP](#).

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