



# Cloud Native Transformation of Applications Using Azure Kubernetes

Week 1 – Containers, Azure  
Container Registry and Azure  
Kubernetes Service



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# 4 Week Agenda Overview

## **Week 1 – July 14**

Containers, Azure Kubernetes Service (AKS), Azure Container Registry (ACR)  
Establish foundation to enable advanced implementations and configuration in Weeks 2-4.

## **Week 2 – July 21**

Storage, Config-maps, Namespace, Packaging and Deployment Templates and YAML

## **Week 3 – July 28**

AKS Networking, Managing Ingress and Container Security

## **Week 4 – Aug 4**

Deploying a Distributed Application  
Monitoring, and Service Mesh

# Kubernetes Topics to be covered in 4 sessions

Overall Goal: Deploy a distributed app, with full features enabled

Nodes / Pods

ReplicaSet

Deployment

Services

Namespace / Context

Storage / Volumes

config-map

Security / Secrets /  
AAD / KeyVault

Ingress / Egress

Monitoring / Logging

Data Management

Networking

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# Learning Expectations for Week1

## Introduction to key concepts

- Why Containers and why Kubernetes
- Containerization Process and Walkthrough for Multi-Container App
- Azure Container Registry and container image deployment
- Overview of Kubernetes Architecture and key components
- Command line provisioning of an AKS cluster
- Deployments and Manifests
- Lab

# Containers



# Why Use Containers?

The Container advantages...



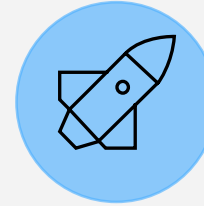
**Standardise  
Build**



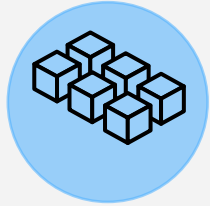
**DevOps  
CI / CD**



**Run  
Anywhere**



**Rapid  
Deployment**



**Compute  
Density & Scale**

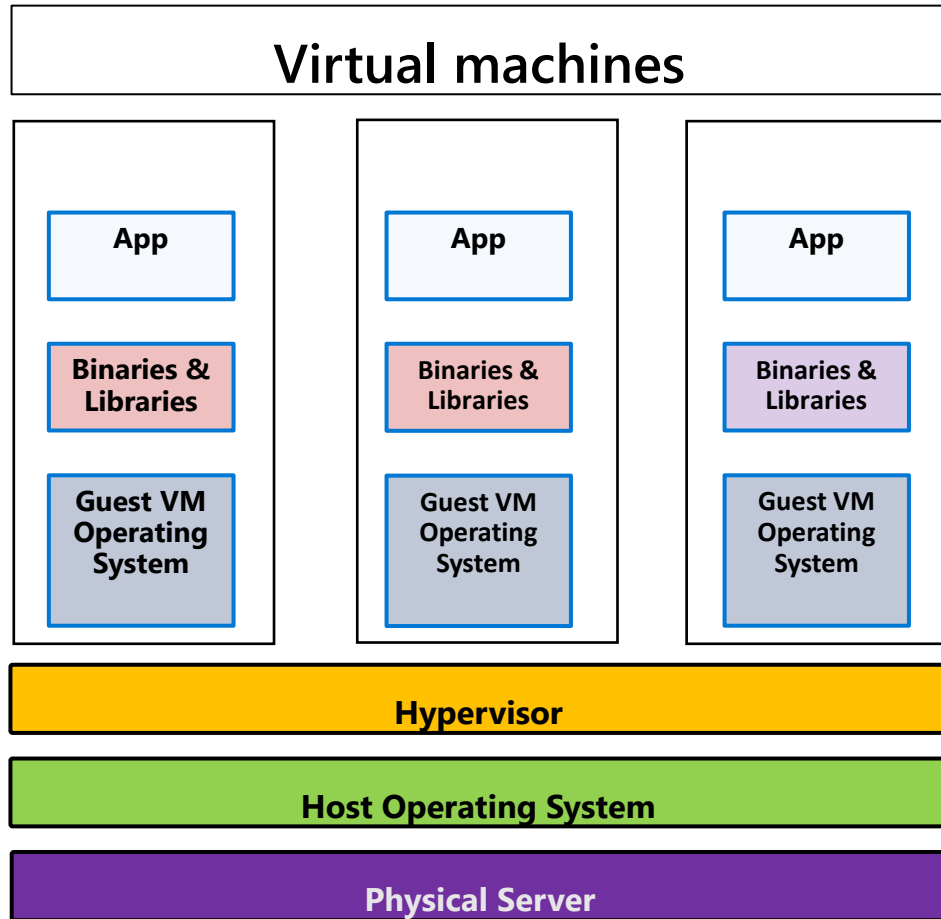


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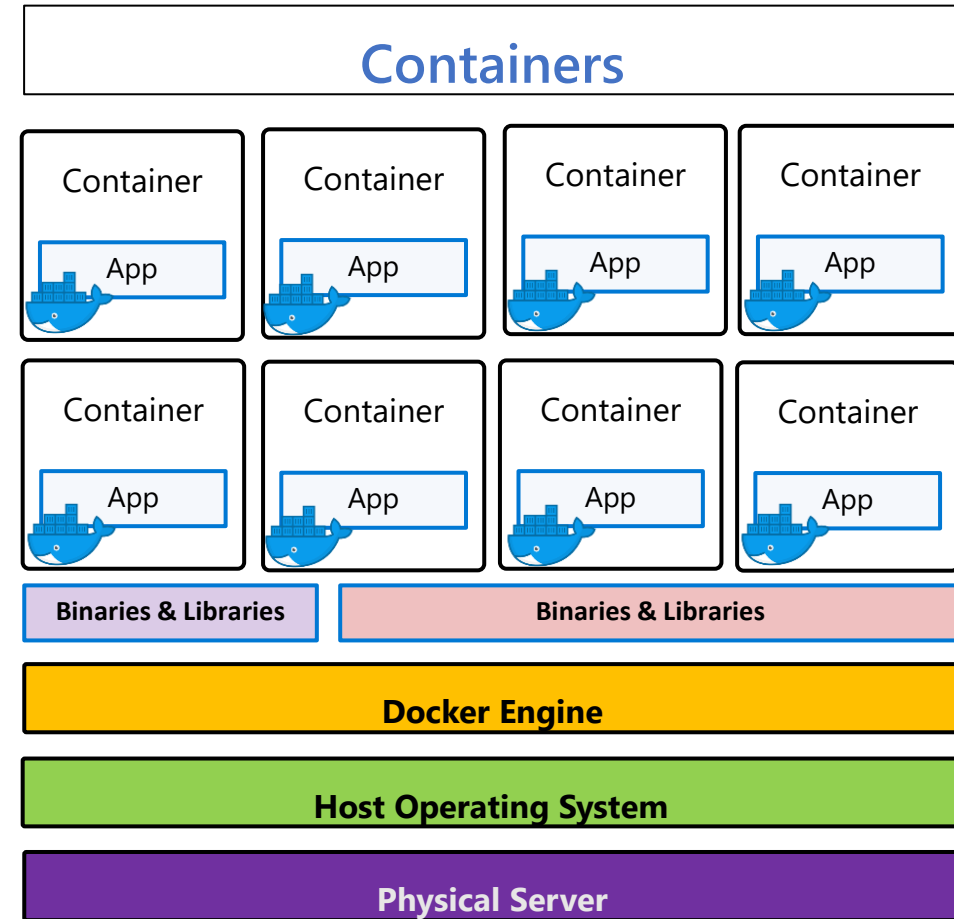




# Containers vs VMs?



- Virtualize the **hardware**
- **VMs** as units of scaling
- Hypervisor **dependent**
- **Not** easily movable



- Virtualize the **operating system**
- **Applications** as units of scaling
- Platform **independent**
- **Easily** movable across environments (on-premises, multi-cloud)

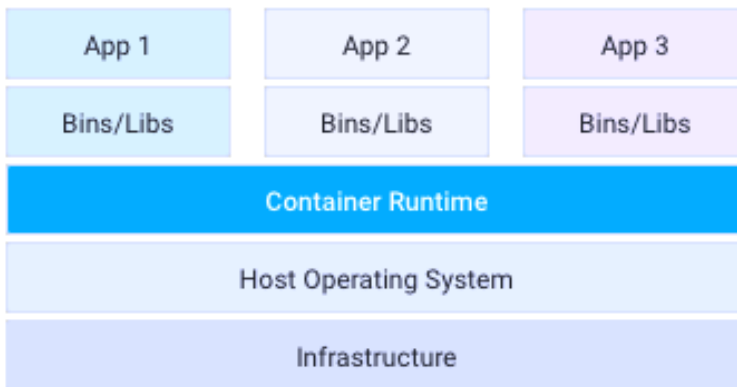
# Containers vs. virtual machines

## Docker containers

Shared host OS kernel

Portability

Faster provisioning and scalability

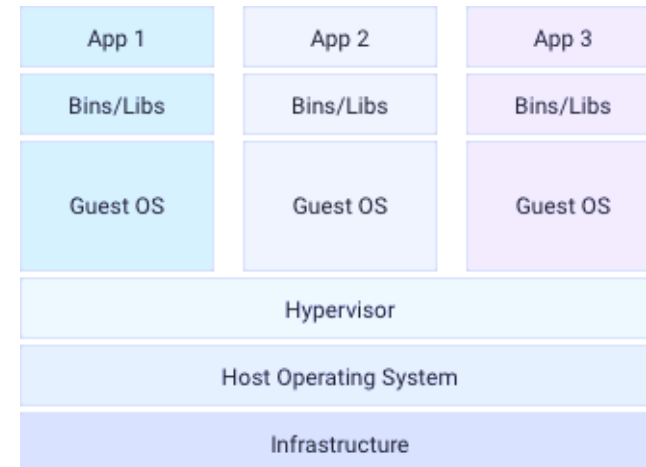


## Virtual machines

Separate OS per instance

Large footprint

Slower provisioning



Let's start the containerization  
process...

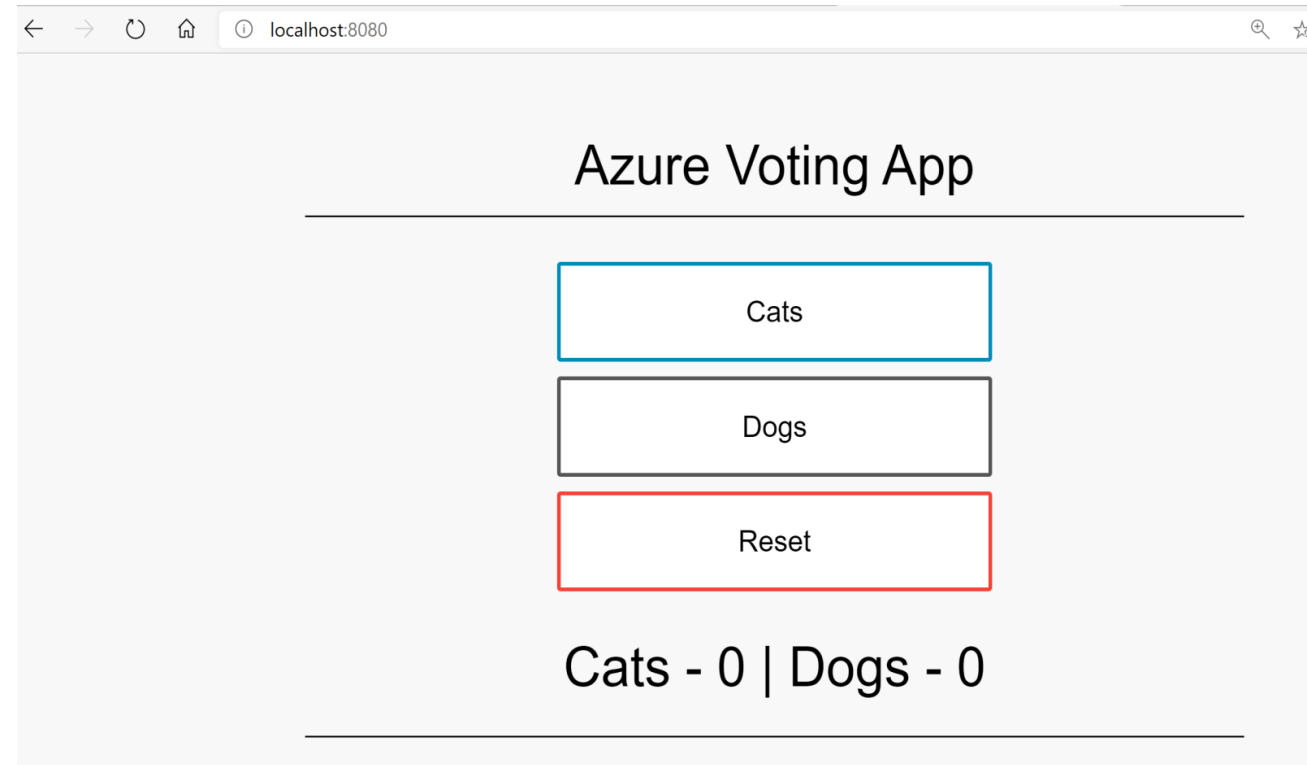
# The “Hello World” of Multi-Container Apps

## Azure Voting App

A multi-container application built using Python / Flask. The data component is using Redis.

A local Docker development environment and tools are used to build, test and push to Azure and private container registry.

Illustrate the containerization process, push to the cloud, and then implementation using Azure Kubernetes Service.



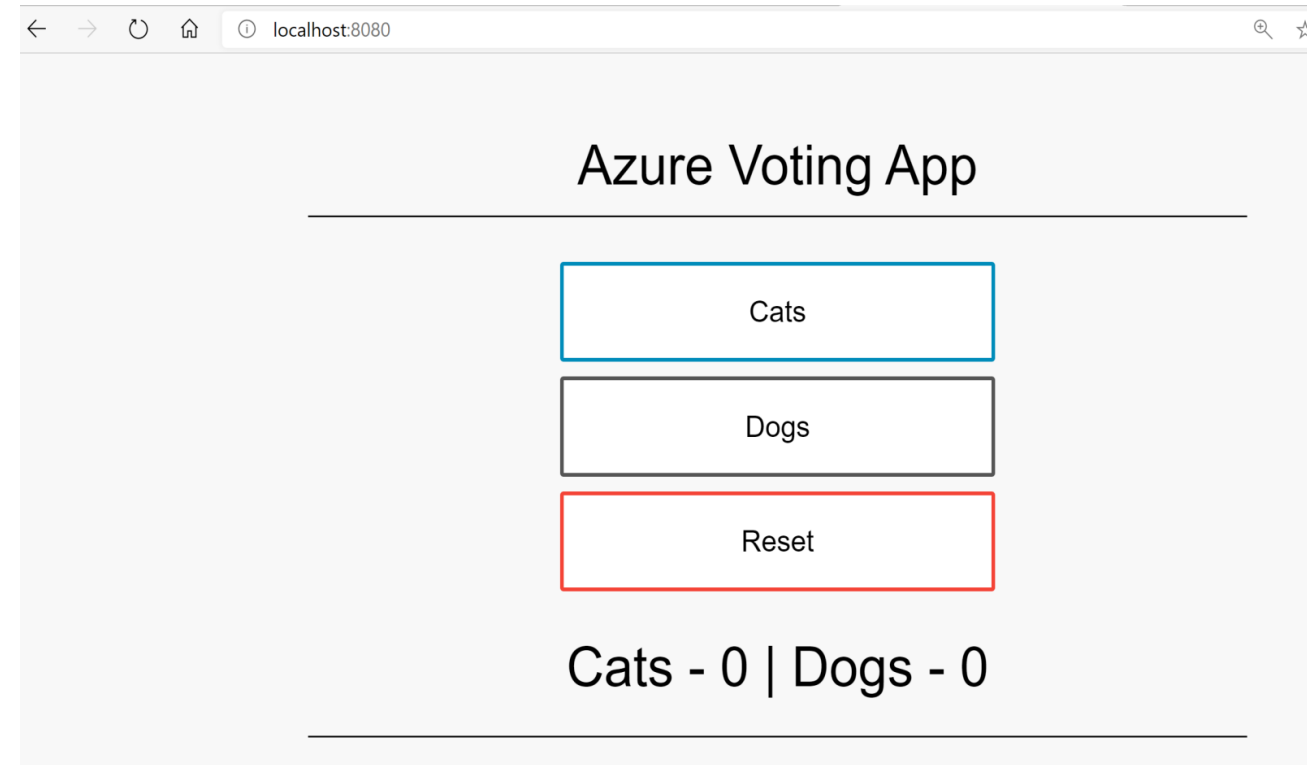
Public Code Repo

<https://github.com/Azure-Samples/azure-voting-app-redis>

# Prepare a multi-container application for Kubernetes

## General Process

1. Create A Docker Image
2. Create An Azure Container Registry
3. Push The Docker Image To ACR
4. Create A Kubernetes Cluster
5. Create Deployment Manifests
6. Deploy Your Application



Public Code Repo

<https://github.com/Azure-Samples/azure-voting-app-redis>

# 1. Create Docker Image

Docker tools installed locally

Create and start  
containers and leave  
running in the  
background

`docker-compose up -d`

Containerization /  
K8s Process

```
version: '3'
services:
  azure-vote-back:
    image: redis
    container_name: azure-vote-back
    ports:
      - "6379:6379"

  azure-vote-front:
    build: ./azure-vote
    image: azure-vote-front
    container_name: azure-vote-front
    environment:
      REDIS: azure-vote-back
    ports:
      - "8080:80"
```

1. Create Docker Image

Docker tools installed locally

Containerization / K8s Process

See created images

docker images

| REPOSITORY                 | TAG       | IMAGE ID     | SIZE  |
|----------------------------|-----------|--------------|-------|
| azure-vote-front           | latest    | 47607e3602d9 | 944MB |
| redis                      | latest    | 235592615444 | 104MB |
| tiangolo/uwsgi-nginx-flask | python3.6 | 42c10a01539f | 944MB |

View running containers

docker ps

| CONTAINER ID | IMAGE            | PORTS                         | NAMES            |
|--------------|------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|
| 2a36c6259b7f | azure-vote-front | 443/tcp, 0.0.0.0:8080->80/tcp | azure-vote-front |
| 68aeb707d0b4 | redis            | 0.0.0.0:6379->6379/tcp        | azure-vote-back  |

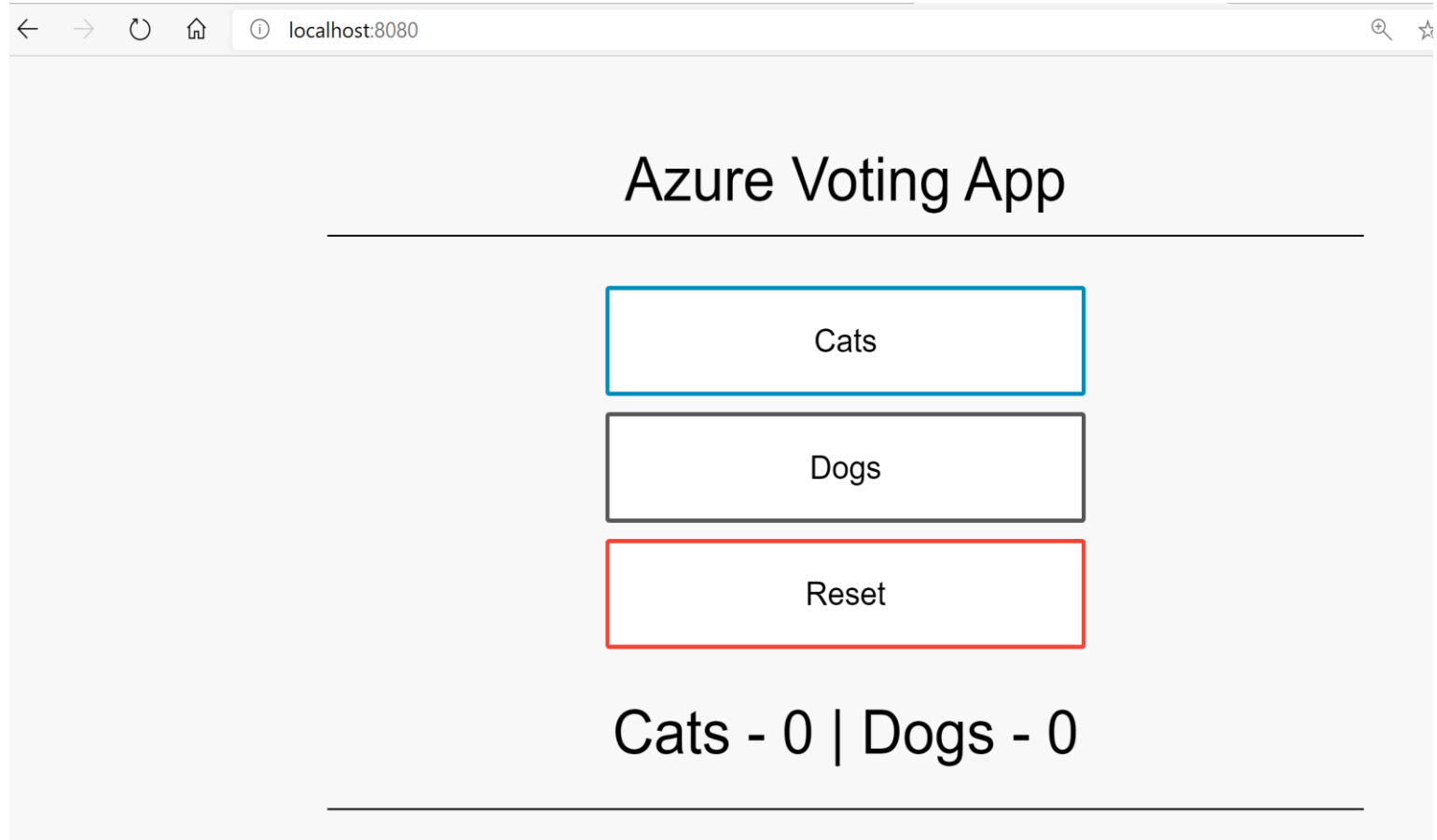


# 1. Create Docker Image and test

Docker tools installed locally

Containerization /  
K8s Process

Test the  
application locally

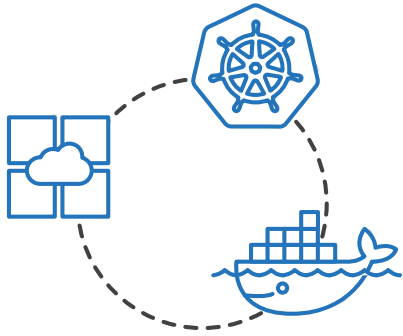


We are ready to push the container to a private repo!

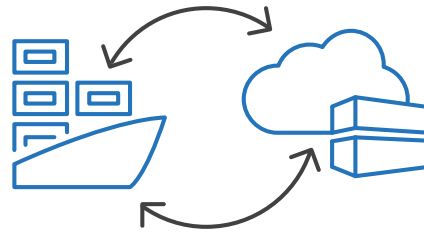
# Azure Container Registry

# What is an Azure container registry (ACR)?

Manage a Docker **private registry** as a first-class Azure resource



Manage images for all  
types of containers



Use familiar,  
open-source  
Docker CLI tools

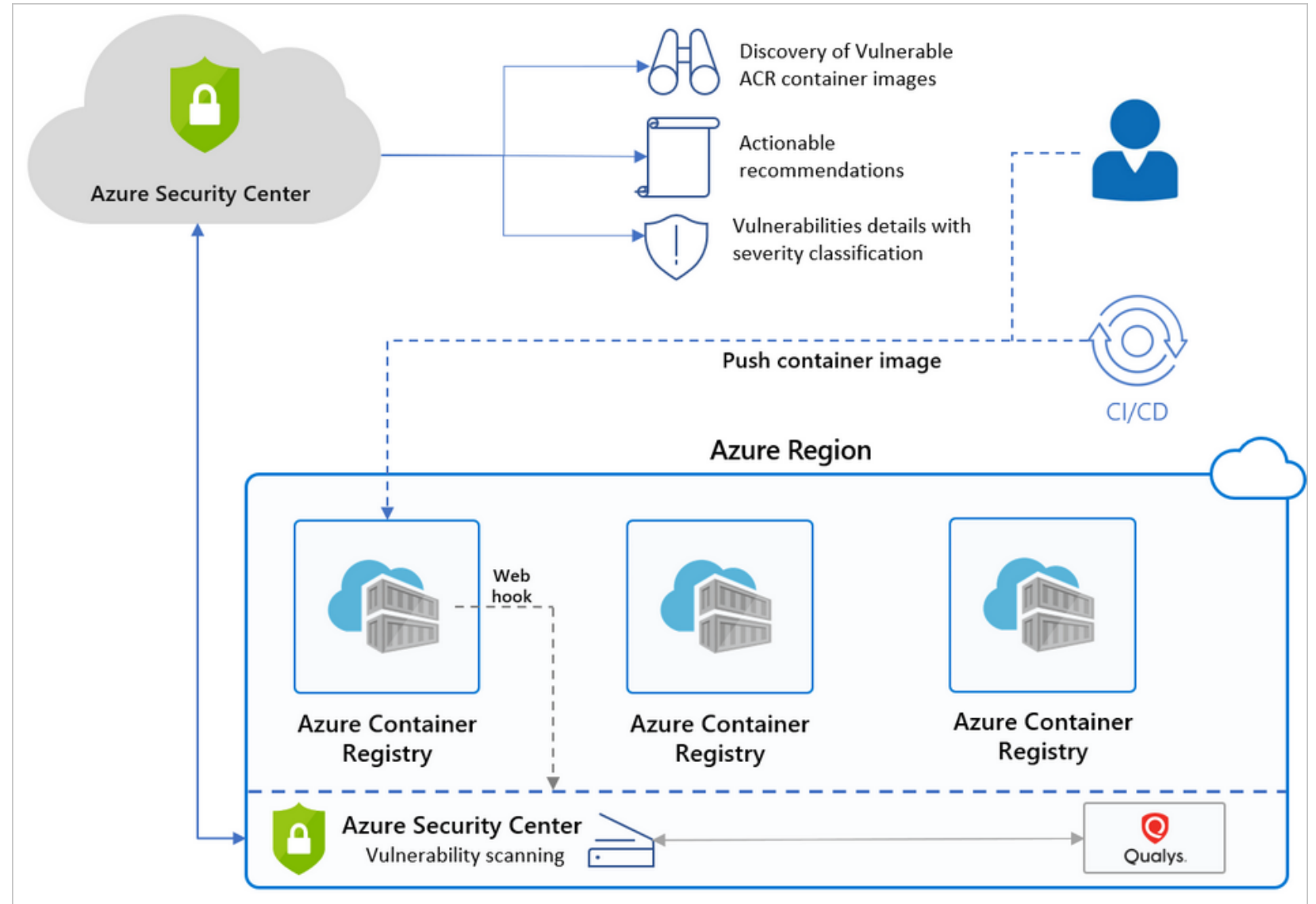


Azure private  
container registry  
geo-replication



# Azure Container Registry vulnerability scanning

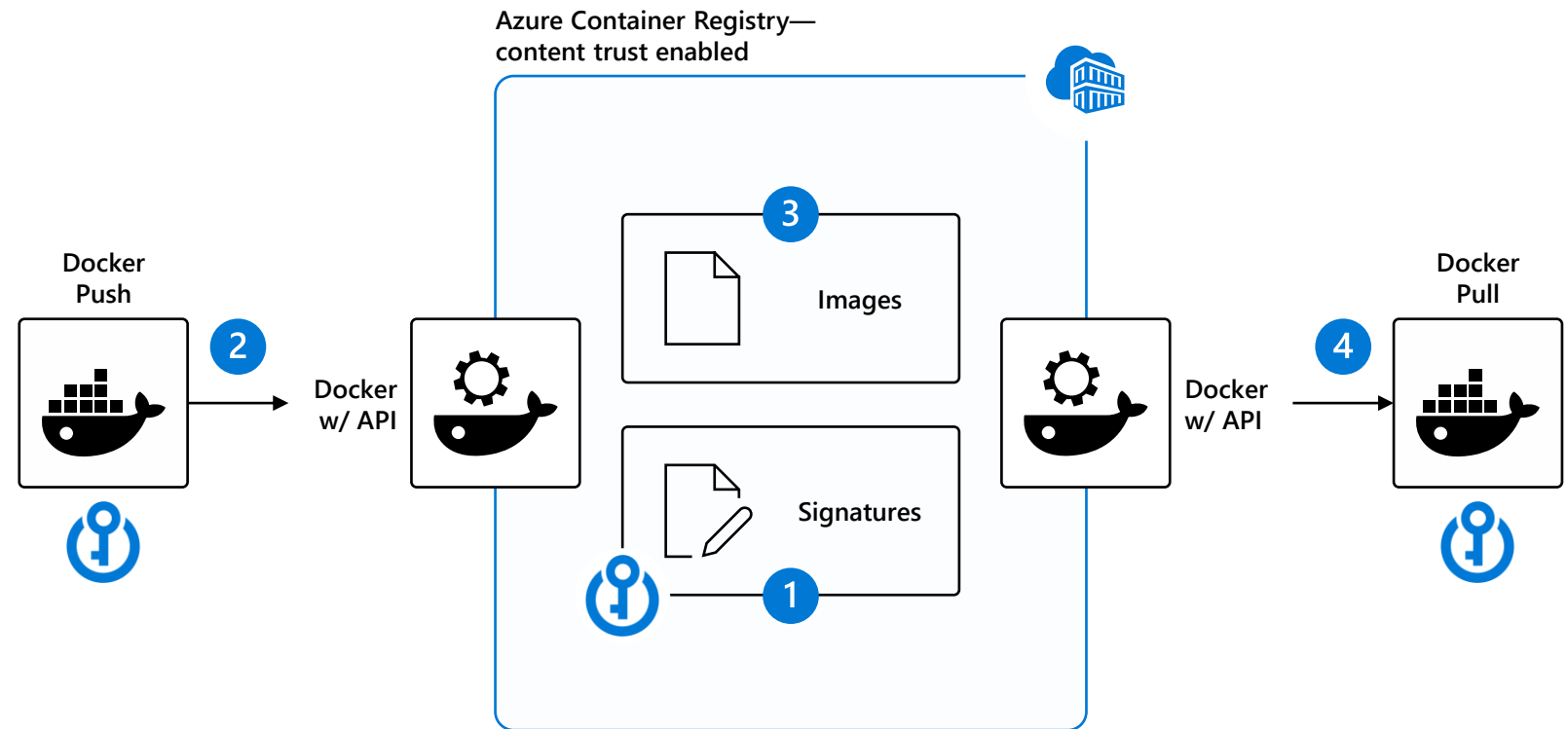
1. Developer/CI system builds container image
2. Image pushed to Azure Container Registry triggers image scan
3. Security Center scans the image and publishes to dashboard
4. Azure Container Registry scans content leveraging Qualys scanner
5. Azure Container Registry publishes the image to the repository



# ACR Content Trust

securing images from source to destination

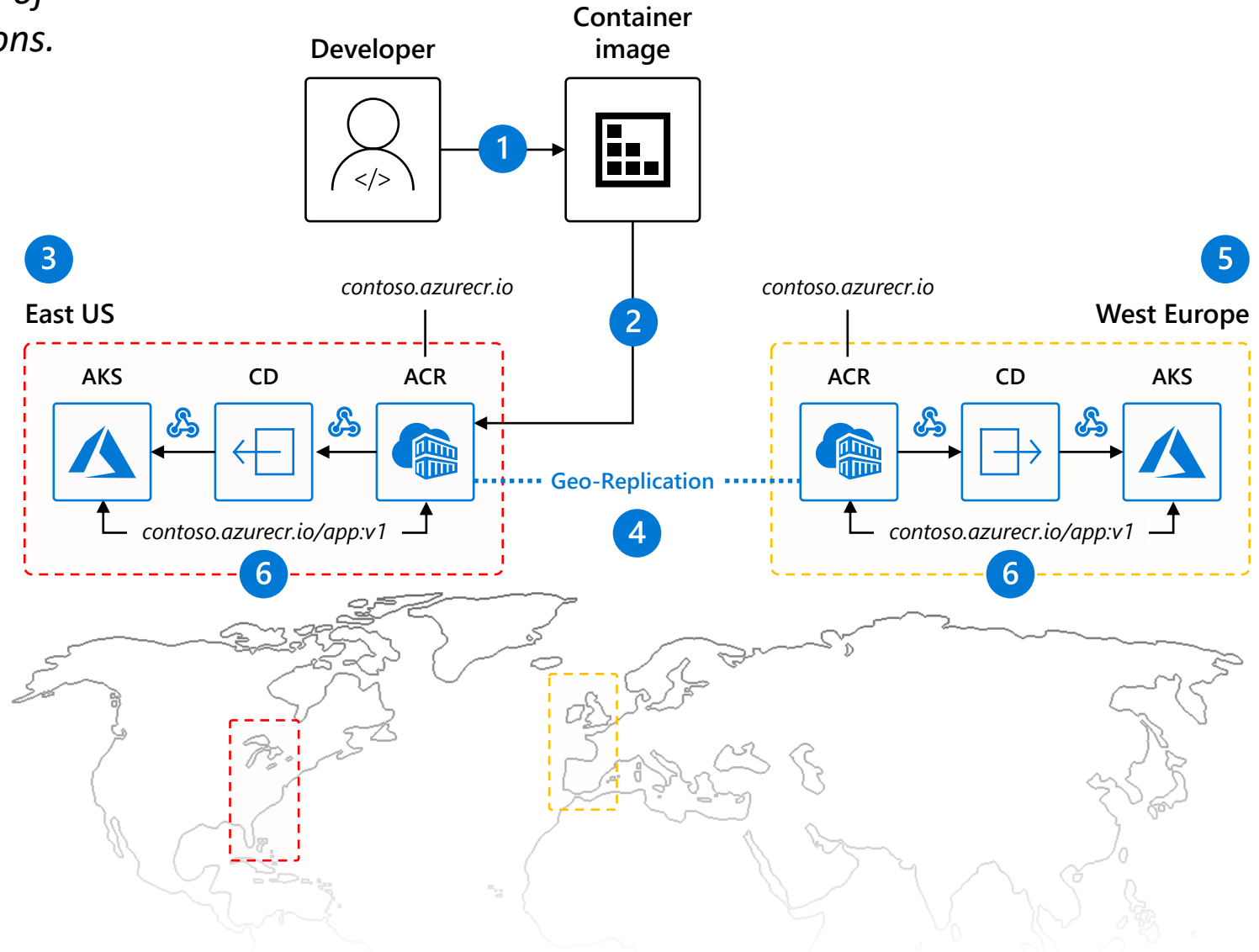
1. A set of cryptographic signing keys are associated with Azure Container Registry and used for image signing
2. Image publisher signs the image and pushes to the Azure Container Registry
3. Signed image is stored in Azure Container Registry
4. When an image consumer pulls a signed image, their Docker client verifies the integrity of the image



# Azure Container Registry geo-replication

*Push image to a single registry and ACR takes care of geographical replication, including local notifications.*

1. US-based developer commits codes to build container image
2. Image is pushed to the nearest Azure Container Registry (ACR) region based on DNS
3. Geographical webhook triggers deployment to East US
4. ACR geo-replicates to configured regions
5. Geographical webhook triggers deployment to West Europe
6. Both AKS clusters pull from `contoso.azurecr.io`



Let's create a ACR and Push the  
containers...



## 2. Create ACR Registry

### Azure CLI

Containerization /  
K8s Process

```
az acr create -g gscaksdemo --n gscacrdemo
```

```
az acr list -g gscaksdemo -o table
```



| NAME       | RESOURCE GROUP | LOCATION | SKU   | LOGIN SERVER          |
|------------|----------------|----------|-------|-----------------------|
| -----      | -----          | -----    | ----- | -----                 |
| gscacrdemo | gscaksdemo     | eastus   | Basic | gscacrdemo.azurecr.io |


### 3. Push local image to ACR


Containerization /  
K8s Process


```
docker push gscacrdemo.azurecr.io/azure-vote-front:v1
```

Dashboard > Resource groups > gscaksdemo >


 **gscacrdemo** | Repositories  
Container registry |  Directory: Microsoft

<<  Refresh

 Locks

 Export template

Services

 Repositories

Repositories ↑↓

azure-vote-front

Ok, I've got containers.  
And a registry with containers.  
Now what?

# Azure Container Hosting Options

# Azure Hosts: Running Containers on Azure



App Service

Deploy web applications or Web APIs in a PaaS environment



Service Fabric

Modernize .NET applications in microservices using Windows Server



Kubernetes Service

Orchestrate and scale the Linux or Windows Containers



Container Instance

Easily run containers on Azure without managing servers



Ecosystem Partner

Bring your partner solutions that work perfectly on Azure



Azure Container Registry



docker Docker Hub

Choice of developer tools and clients

# Why Kubernetes and AKS

# Kubernetes momentum

“Prediction: By 2022, more than 75% of global organizations will be running containerized applications in production, which is a significant increase from fewer than 30% in 2018..”

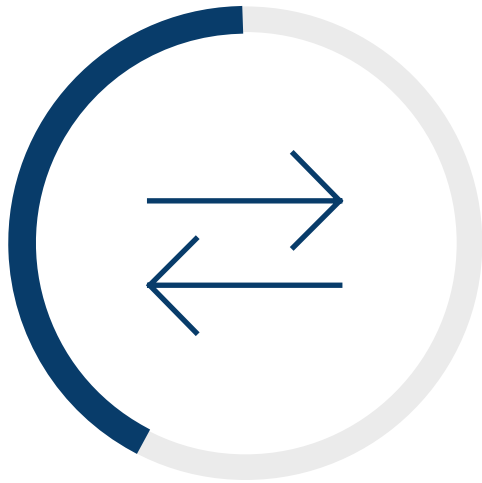
“Containers and Kubernetes are becoming the foundation for building cloud-native infrastructure to improve software velocity and developer productivity.”

**Gartner®**



# What's behind the growth?

Kubernetes: the leading orchestrator shaping the future app development and management



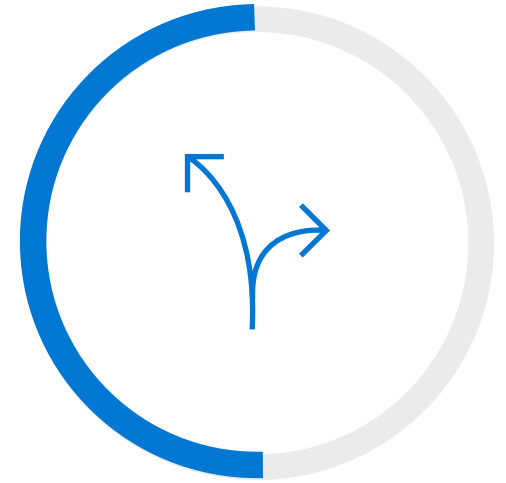
**42%**

portability



**45%**

scalability



**50%**

agility

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The perceived benefits of Kubernetes

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# Container Management at Scale

**Cluster Management:**  
deploy and manage cluster resources

**Scheduling:**  
where containers run

**Lifecycle and Health:**  
keep containers running despite failure

**Naming and Discovery:**  
where are my containers

**Load Balancing:**  
evenly distribute traffic

At the end of the day we need something to help us with all the orchestration..  
**An orchestrator!**

**Scaling:**  
make scale containers elastic in number

container images

containers and cluster

data  
ers

# Kubernetes: empowering you to do more

The de-facto orchestrator



Deploy your  
applications quickly  
and predictably

Scale your  
applications on  
the fly

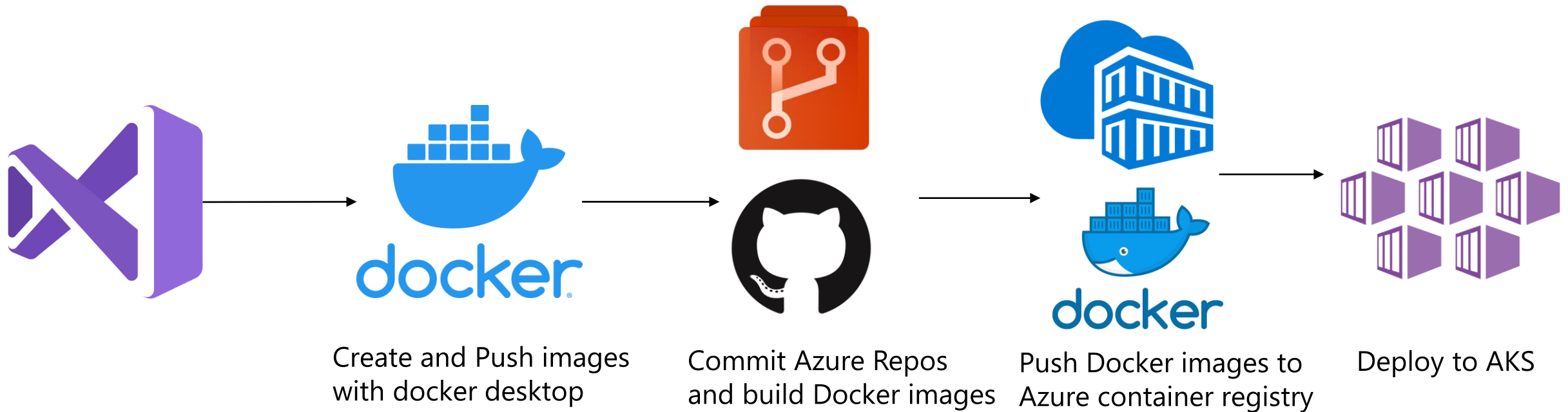
Roll out  
new features  
seamlessly

Limit hardware  
usage to required  
resources only



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# Deploy a Modern Applications for Azure Kubernetes Service (AKS)



# AKS Managed Kubernetes

# What is Azure Kubernetes Service (AKS)?

- Managed Kubernetes as a Service
- Kubernetes **Master** (Control Plane) provided as a PaaS offering and managed by Azure
- Kubernetes **Worker** Nodes (agent nodes) for application hosting containerized apps
- Customer pays compute costs for Worker Nodes only

# Some Key Kubernetes Concepts for today

## Node

A worker machine (VM) normally clustered, each capable of running pods



## Deployment

A logical object for managing a replicated application (i.e. set of pods)



## Labels and Selectors

Metadata attached to any object for configuration and selection



## Pod

A group of one or more tightly coupled containers that is lifecycle managed



## Service

Network access to a resource, e.g. pod or port. Typically load balanced



## ReplicaSet

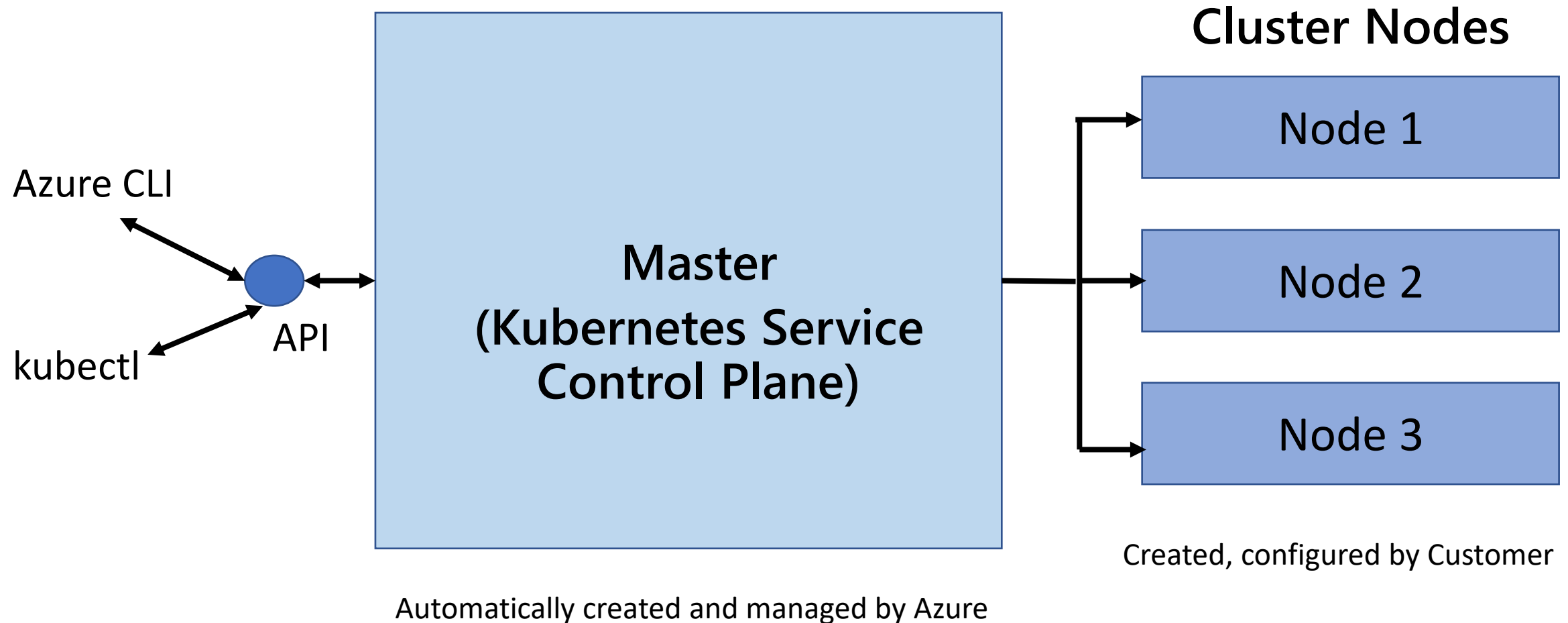
A set of one or more pods that is distributed and replicated across Nodes





# Kubernetes Simplified Cluster Architecture

## High Level 3-Node Cluster



Let's create a cluster...

and see what's created...

## 4. Create an AKS Cluster

Azure CLI and kubectl

Containerization /  
K8s Process

```
az aks create -g gscaksdemo -n gscmyCluster --attach-acr gscacrdemo
```

```
az aks get-credentials -g gscaksdemo -n gscmyCluster
```

```
kubectl get nodes
```

| NAME                               | STATUS | Roles | AGE   | VERSION  |
|------------------------------------|--------|-------|-------|----------|
| aks-nodepool11-26286499-vmss000000 | Ready  | agent | 7m8s  | v1.15.11 |
| aks-nodepool11-26286499-vmss000001 | Ready  | agent | 6m50s | v1.15.11 |
| aks-nodepool11-26286499-vmss000002 | Ready  | agent | 7m9s  | v1.15.11 |

# AKS Cluster Provisioning



## Azure CLI

```
az aks create -g gscaksdemo -n gscmyCluster --attach-acr gscacrdemo
```







- Creates a new managed Kubernetes cluster and provisions resources
- Register the application and creates a Service Principal in Azure AD
- Creates 2 Resource Groups
- Provisions several resources by default
- Configure AKS and ACR integration

# Why are there 2 Resource Groups?

## gscaksdemo

| <input type="checkbox"/> Name ↑↓  | Type ↑↓            |
|---|--------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/>  gscacrdemo   | Container registry |
| <input type="checkbox"/>  gscmyCluster | Kubernetes service |

## MC\_gscaksdemo\_gscmyCluster\_eastus

| <input type="checkbox"/> Name ↑↓  | Type ↑↓                   |
|---|---------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/>  23803b81-2415-4144-8d29-330a90e545c8 | Public IP address         |
| <input type="checkbox"/>  aks-agentpool-26286499-nsg         | Network security group    |
| <input type="checkbox"/>  aks-agentpool-26286499-routetable  | Route table               |
| <input type="checkbox"/>  aks-nodepool1-26286499-vmss        | Virtual machine scale set |
| <input type="checkbox"/>  aks-vnet-26286499                  | Virtual network           |
| <input type="checkbox"/>  kubernetes                         | Load balancer             |

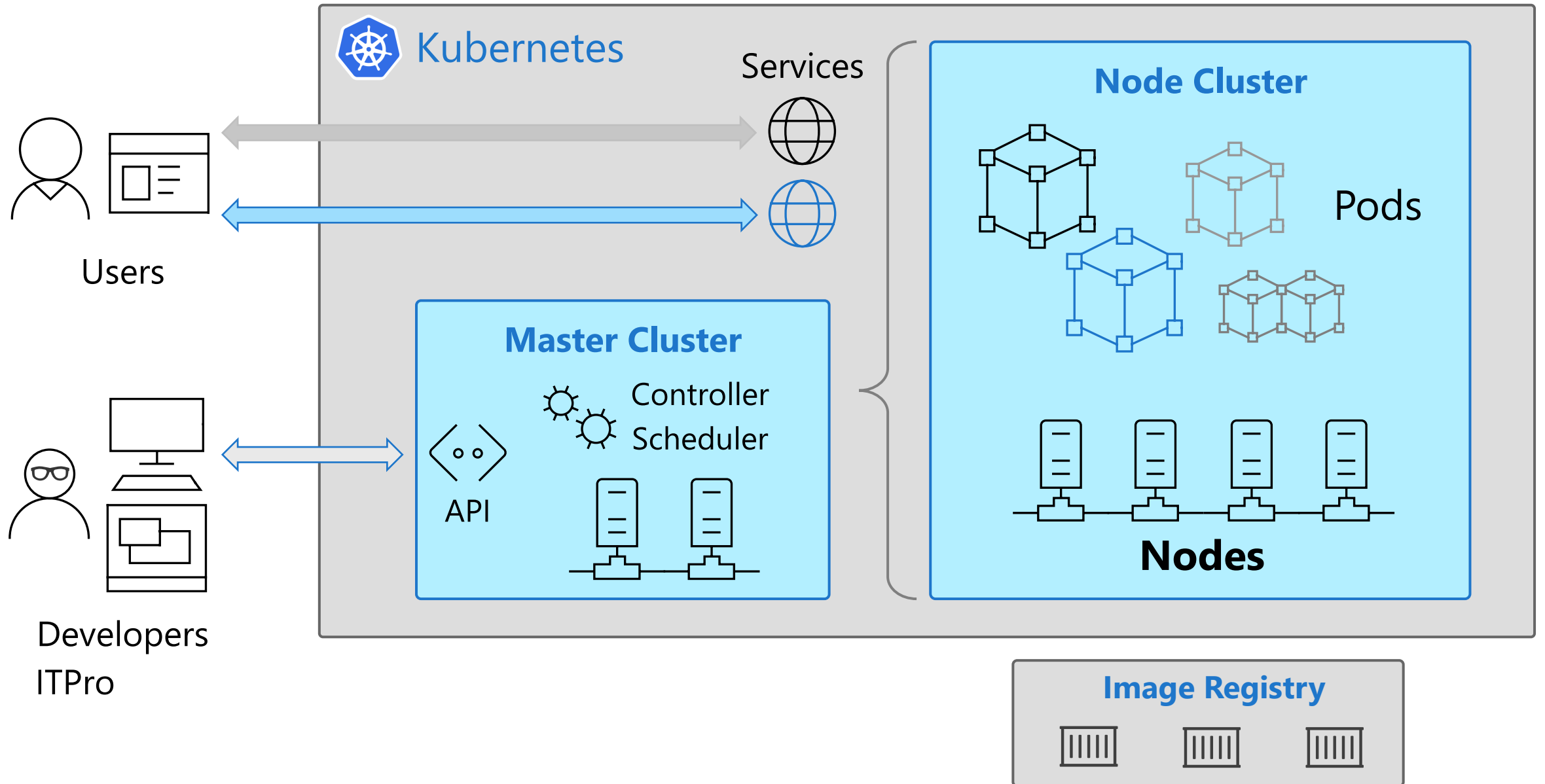
# Connecting to an AKS Cluster

## Azure CLI

```
az aks get-credentials -g gscaksdemo -n gscmyCluster
```

- Get the access credentials and configuration information to connect to the AKS cluster using **kubect**l and merges them into the **kubeconfig** file.
- RBAC is used to limit who can access the Kubernetes configuration information.
- Multiple clusters can be defined in this kubeconfig file. You switch between clusters using the **kubect**l **config use-context** command.

# Kubernetes Simplified Architecture



# Deployments

provide declarative updates to Pods and ReplicaSets

A **Deployment** represents **one or more identical pods or replicas** to create, managed by the Kubernetes Deployment Controller.

You describe a ***desired state*** in a **Deployment** using YAML Manifests, such as what container images to run.

The Deployment Controller changes the actual state to the desired state using the manifests.

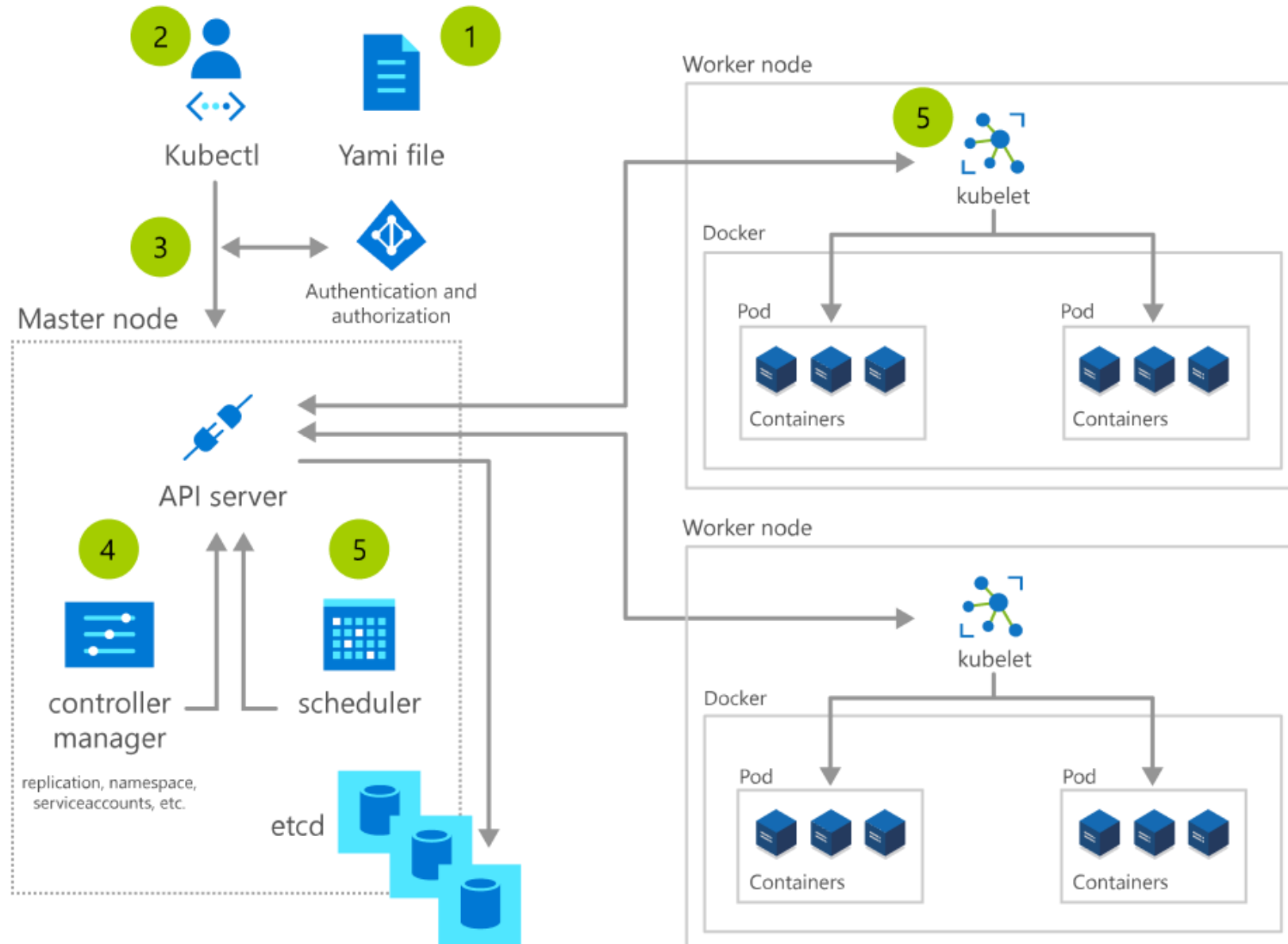
Kubernetes Scheduler ensures that if pods or nodes encounter problems, additional pods are scheduled on healthy nodes.

An example Deployment YAML manifest to create a ReplicaSet to bring up three nginx Pods

```
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:1.14.2
          ports:
            - containerPort: 80
```



# Kubernetes Deployments



# 5. Create Deployment Manifests

## Azure Voting App Manifest

*Containerization  
/ K8s Process*

A manifest is used to create all objects needed to run the Azure Vote application.

This manifest includes two Kubernetes deployments - one for the sample Azure Vote Python application, and the other for a Redis instance.

Two Kubernetes Services are also created - an internal service for the Redis instance, and an external service to access the Azure Vote application from the internet.

# 5. Create Deployment Manifests

## Azure Voting App Manifest

Containerization  
/ K8s Process

Specifically the manifest defines:

A deployment for the Redis backend of the voting application

A deployment for the voting application front end

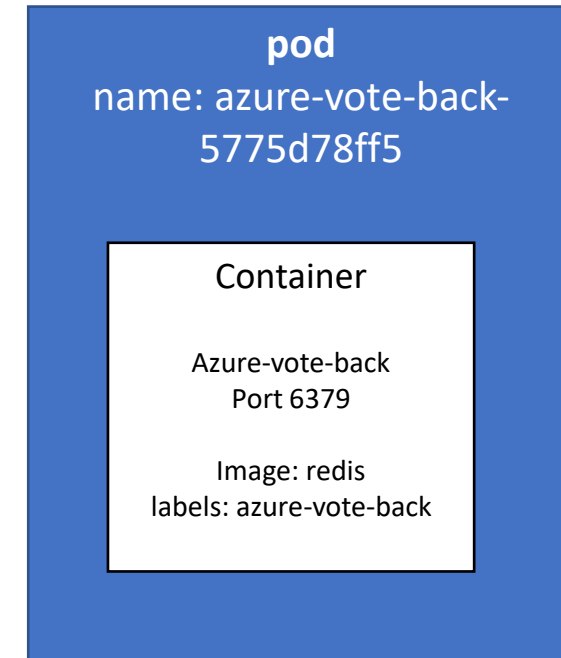
A Service exposing the Redis backend using an internal cluster IP Address and port 6379

A Service exposing the voting application front end on an external load balancer using port 80

# Deployment Manifest – Azure Voting App

Defines a Redis backend of the voting application

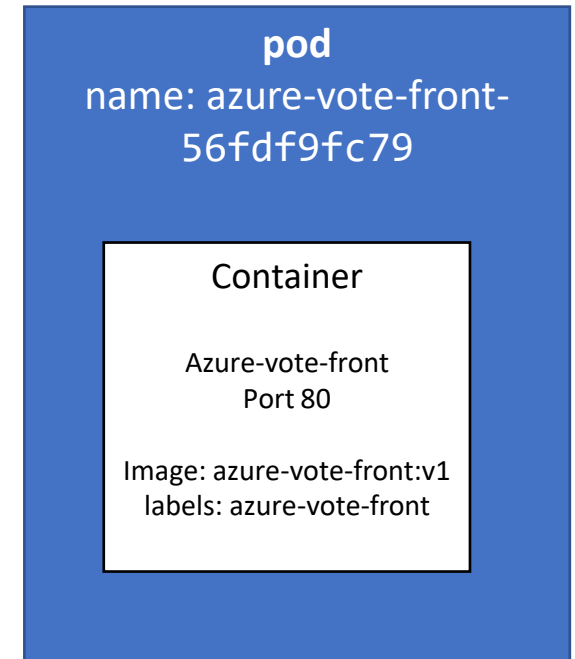
```
apiVersion: apps/v1
kind: Deployment
metadata:
  name: azure-vote-back
spec:
  replicas: 1
  template:
    metadata:
      labels:
        app: azure-vote-back
    spec:
      containers:
        - name: azure-vote-back
          image: redis
          ports:
            - containerPort: 6379
              name: redis
```



# Deployment Manifest – Azure Voting App

Defines a deployment for the voting application front end

```
apiVersion: apps/v1
kind: Deployment
metadata:
  name: azure-vote-front
spec:
  replicas: 1
  template:
    metadata:
      labels:
        app: azure-vote-front
    spec:
      containers:
        - name: azure-vote-front
          image: gscacrdemo.azurecr.io/azure-vote-front:v1
          ports:
            - containerPort: 80
```



# What is a Service?

- Services allow your applications (Pods) to receive traffic.
- Although each Pod has a unique IP address, those IPs are not exposed outside the cluster without a Service.
- A REST object, similar to a Pod. Like all of the REST objects, you can POST a Service definition to the API server to create a new instance.
- Services can be exposed in different ways by specifying a type in the ServiceSpec attribute:
  - ClusterIP
  - NodePort
  - LoadBalancer
  - ExternalName

# Service Manifest – Azure Voting App

Defines a Redis backend service using an internal cluster IP Address and port 6379

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: Service
metadata:
  name: azure-vote-back
spec:
  clusterIP: 10.0.222.76
  ports:
    - port: 6379
      protocol: TCP
      targetPort: 6379
  selector:
    app: azure-vote-back
  type: ClusterIP
```

**Note!** Services using **ClusterIP** are only reachable from within the cluster.

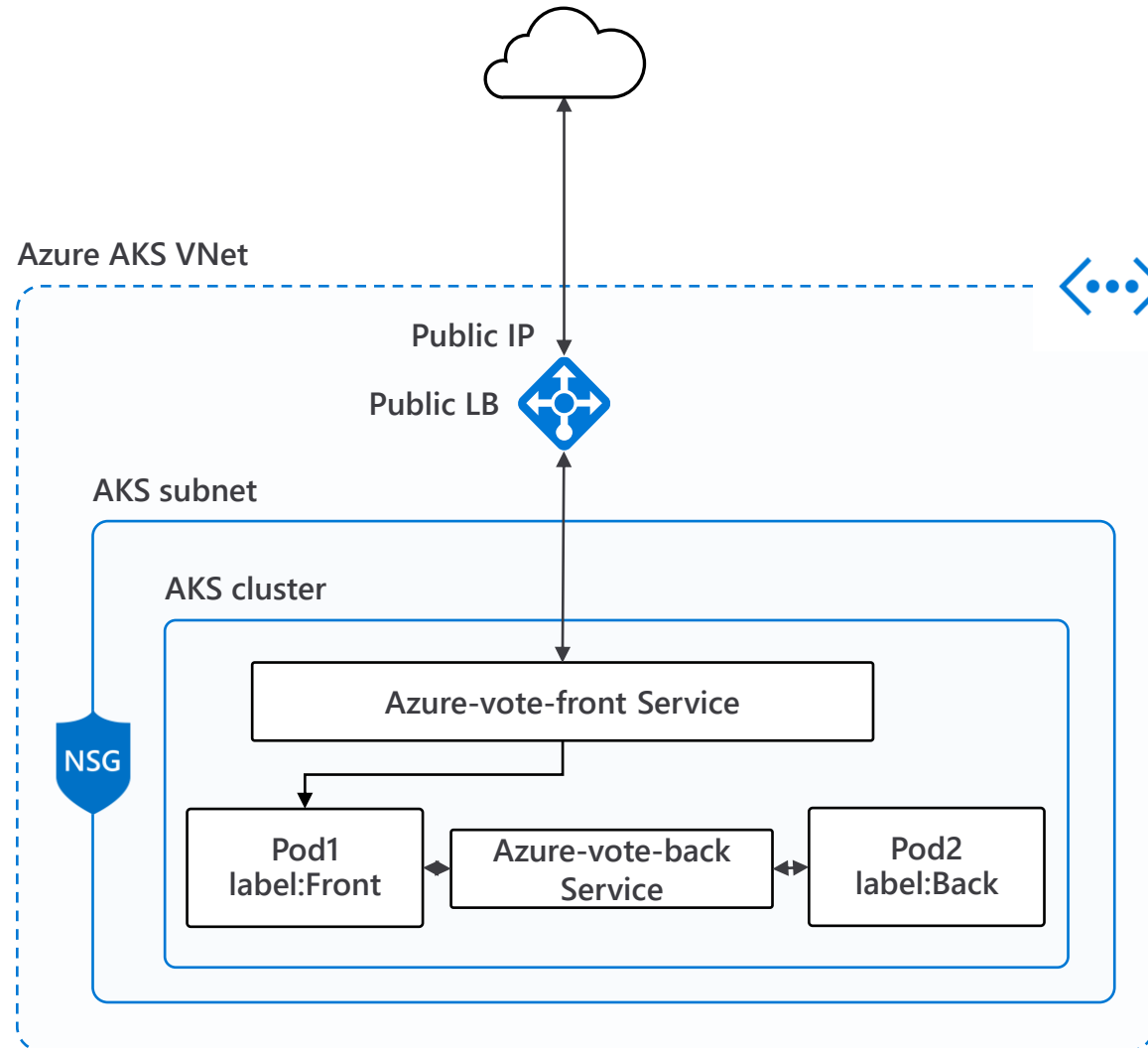
# Service Manifest – Azure Voting App

Defines a voting application front end service on an external load balancer using port 80

```
- apiVersion: v1
  kind: Service
  metadata:
    name: azure-vote-front
  spec:
    clusterIP: 10.0.230.169
    ports:
      - nodePort: 30076
        port: 80
        protocol: TCP
        targetPort: 80
    selector:
      app: azure-vote-front
    type: LoadBalancer
  status:
    loadBalancer:
      ingress:
        - ip: 52.188.76.107
```



# Oversimplified Deployment architecture



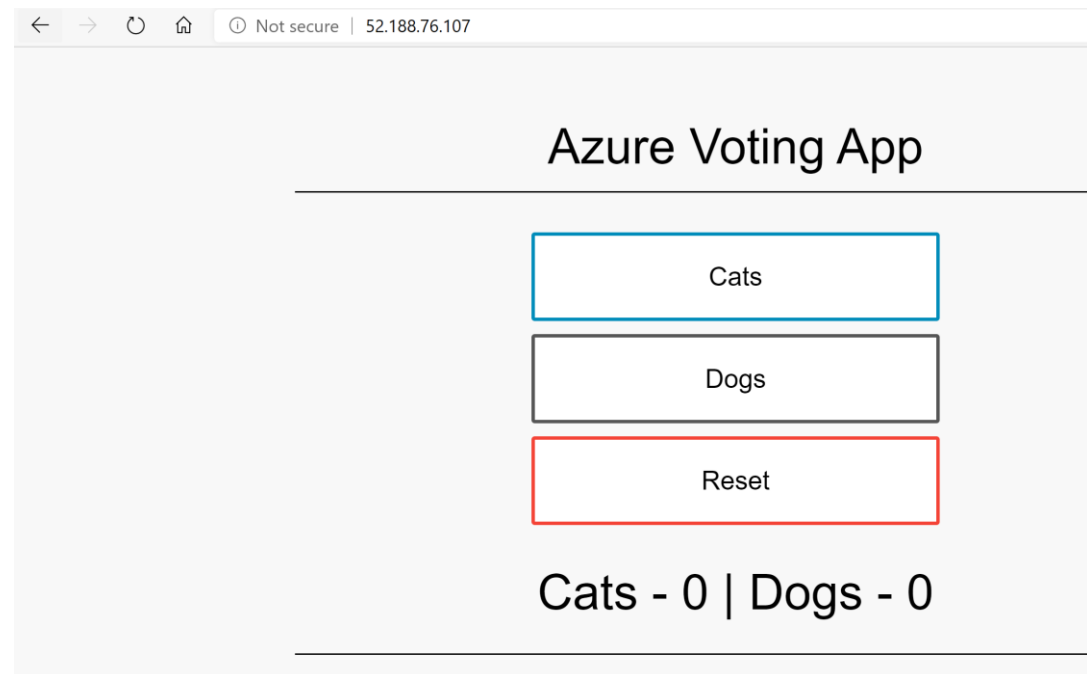
## 6. Deploy multi-container application

Containerization  
/ K8s Process

```
kubectl apply -f ./azure-vote-all-in-one-redis.yaml
```

```
kubectl get service azure-vote-front
```

| NAME             | TYPE         | CLUSTER-IP   | EXTERNAL-IP   | PORT(S)      | AGE |
|------------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|-----|
| azure-vote-front | LoadBalancer | 10.0.230.169 | 52.188.76.107 | 80:30076/TCP | 35s |



# Services

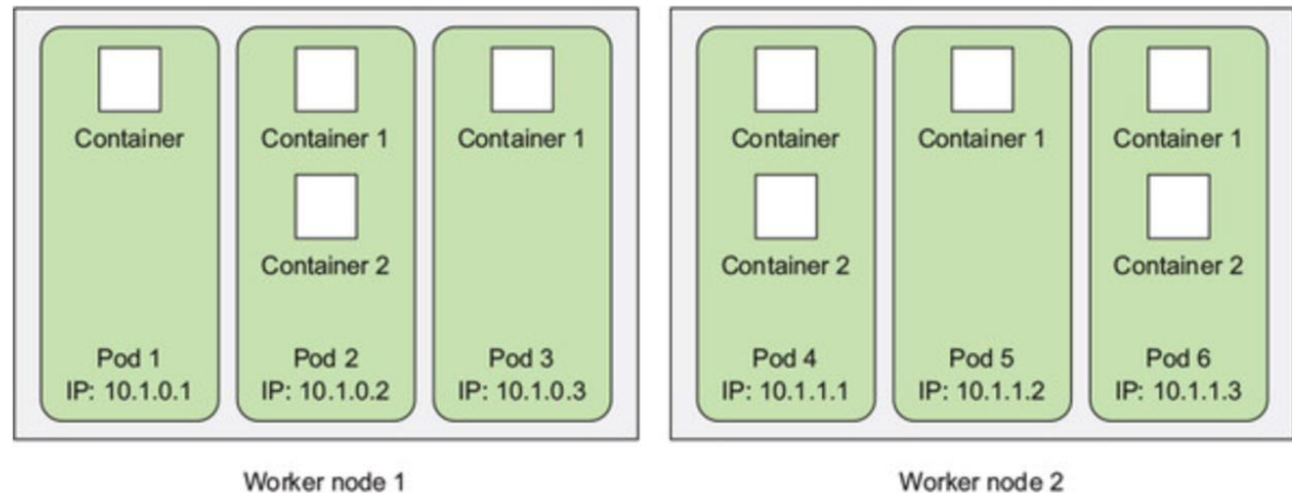
```
kubectl get svc
```

| NAME             | TYPE         | CLUSTER-IP   | EXTERNAL-IP   | PORT(S)      | AGE |
|------------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|-----|
| azure-vote-back  | ClusterIP    | 10.0.222.76  | <none>        | 6379/TCP     | 25h |
| azure-vote-front | LoadBalancer | 10.0.230.169 | 52.188.76.107 | 80:30076/TCP | 25h |
| kubernetes       | ClusterIP    | 10.0.0.1     | <none>        | 443/TCP      | 26h |

- Azure Voting App has three services running; two services pertaining to the application and one default Kubernetes service.
- The azure-vote-back service has been deployed with an internal cluster IP address of 10.0.222.76.
- The azure-vote-front service has been deployed with a load balancer that exposes the service publicly on the public IP address 52.188.76.107 and port 80.
- The Kubernetes service is created as part of the AKS cluster creation and is not part of the deployed application.

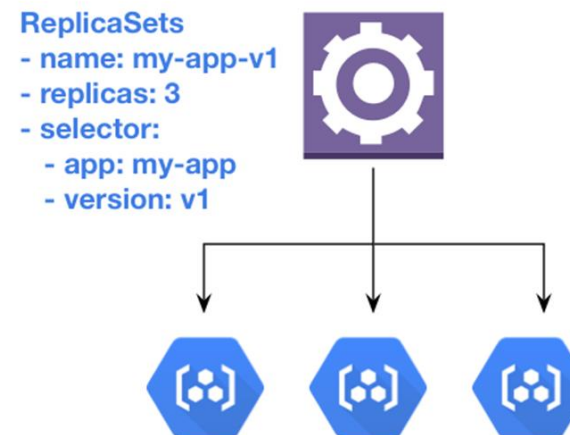
# What is a pod?

- Pod is the basic building block in Kubernetes
- Pods are how containers are delivered
- Can be multiple containers (e.g. side car)
- Encapsulates container(s), storage, network IP, and options on how to run



# What is a ReplicaSet?

- ReplicaSets ensure that a specific number of pods (or *replicas*) are running at any given time.
- If you want your pod to stay alive you make sure you have a Replica Set specifying at least one replica for that pod.
- Replica set then takes care of (re)scheduling your instances to ensure the desired number of pods is always up and available.



# Where are my Pods and Containers?

## kubectl get nodes

| NAME                               | STATUS | ROLES | AGE | VERSION  |
|------------------------------------|--------|-------|-----|----------|
| aks-nodepool11-26286499-vmss000000 | Ready  | agent | 27h | v1.15.11 |
| aks-nodepool11-26286499-vmss000001 | Ready  | agent | 27h | v1.15.11 |
| aks-nodepool11-26286499-vmss000002 | Ready  | agent | 27h | v1.15.11 |

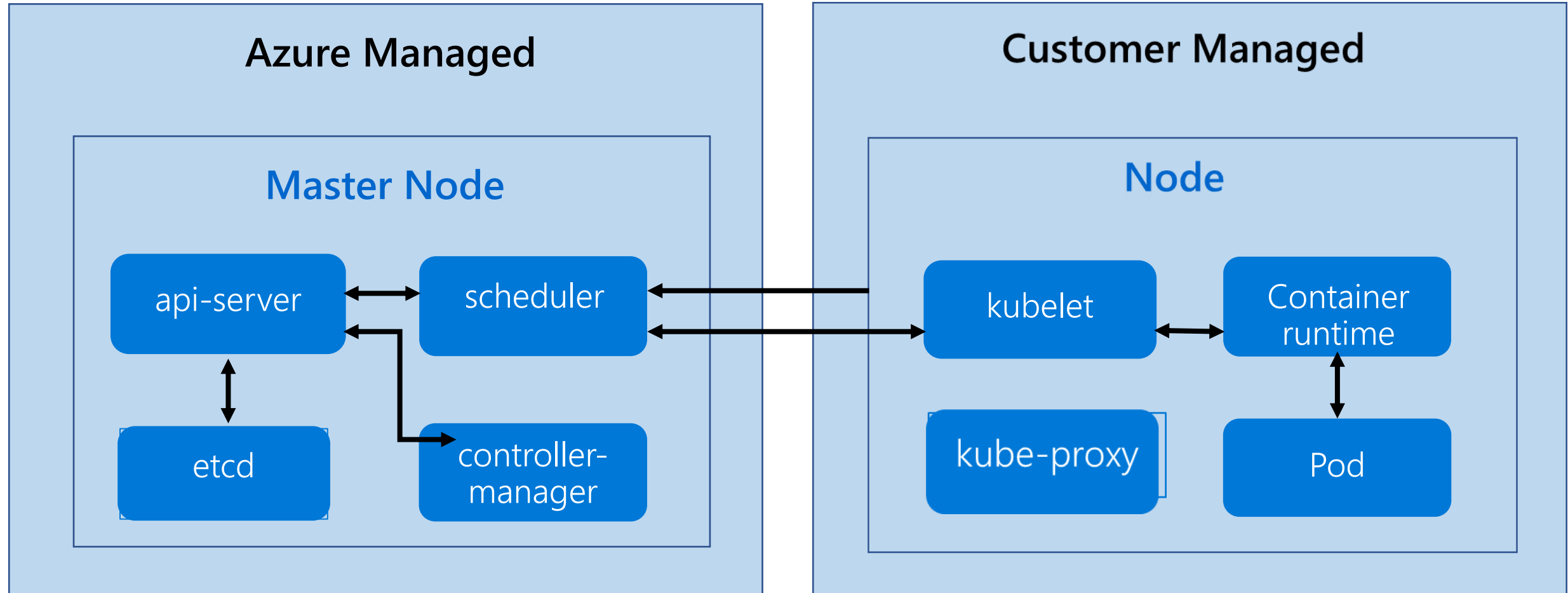
## kubectl get pods

| NAME                              | READY | STATUS  | AGE |
|-----------------------------------|-------|---------|-----|
| azure-vote-back-5775d78ff5-hp68b  | 1/1   | Running | 26h |
| azure-vote-front-56fdf9fc79-mrxfb | 1/1   | Running | 26h |

## kubectl get pods -o wide

| NAME                              | READY | IP         | NODE                               |
|-----------------------------------|-------|------------|------------------------------------|
| azure-vote-back-5775d78ff5-hp68b  | 1/1   | 10.244.2.2 | aks-nodepool11-26286499-vmss000000 |
| azure-vote-front-56fdf9fc79-mrxfb | 1/1   | 10.244.0.7 | aks-nodepool11-26286499-vmss000002 |

# Kubernetes Cluster Architecture



# Summary

- Why Containers and why Kubernetes
- Multi-Container App containerization process
- The use of Azure CLI and Kubectl for AKS cluster provisioning
- Azure Container Registry and container image deployment
- Overview of Kubernetes Architecture and key components
- Nodes, Pods, Deployments, ReplicaSets, Services, Manifests



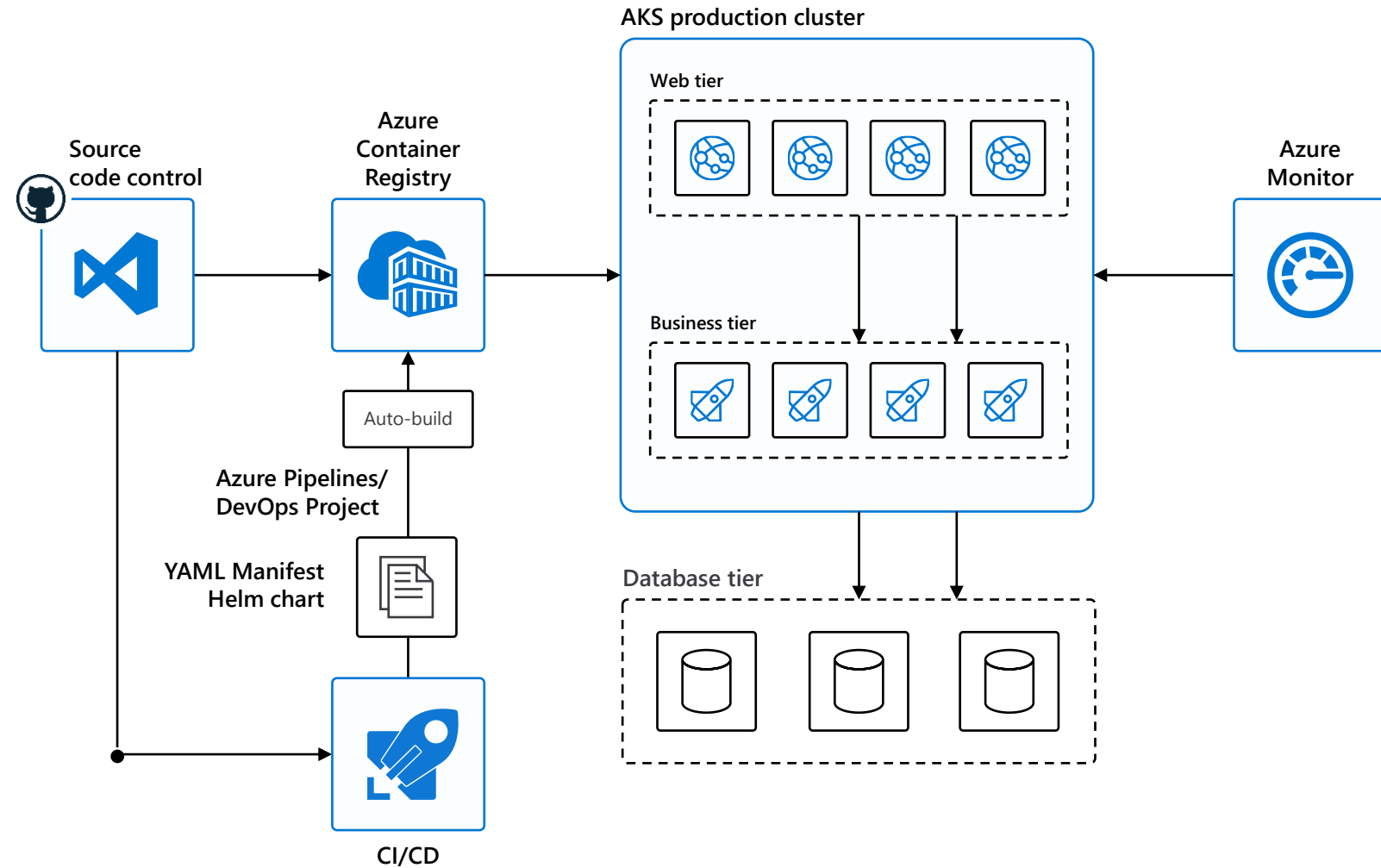
# Lab 1

# Lab 1 Scope

- Provision the Azure DevOps Team Project with a .NET Core application.
- Create an AKS cluster that will host your ASP.NET Core web application.
- Create an Azure Container Registry (ACR) instance which will host your container images in a private repository.
- Configure application and database deployment, using Continuous Deployment (CD) in Azure DevOps.
- Initiate the build to automatically deploy the application.

# Integrated end-to-end Kubernetes experience

## Example 3 Tier architecture



# Lab 1 Prerequisites

- Microsoft Azure Account: You will need a valid and active Azure account for the Azure labs. If you do not have one, you can sign up for a [free trial](#).
- You will need an Azure DevOps account. If you do not have one, you can sign up for free [here](#).
- Ensure your account has the following roles:
  - The [Owner](#) built-in role for the subscription you will use.
  - A [Member](#) user in the Azure AD tenant you will use. (Guest users will not have the necessary permissions).

Thank you. See you next week!  
Stay safe!