

Cluster Setup and Management

Installation and Management



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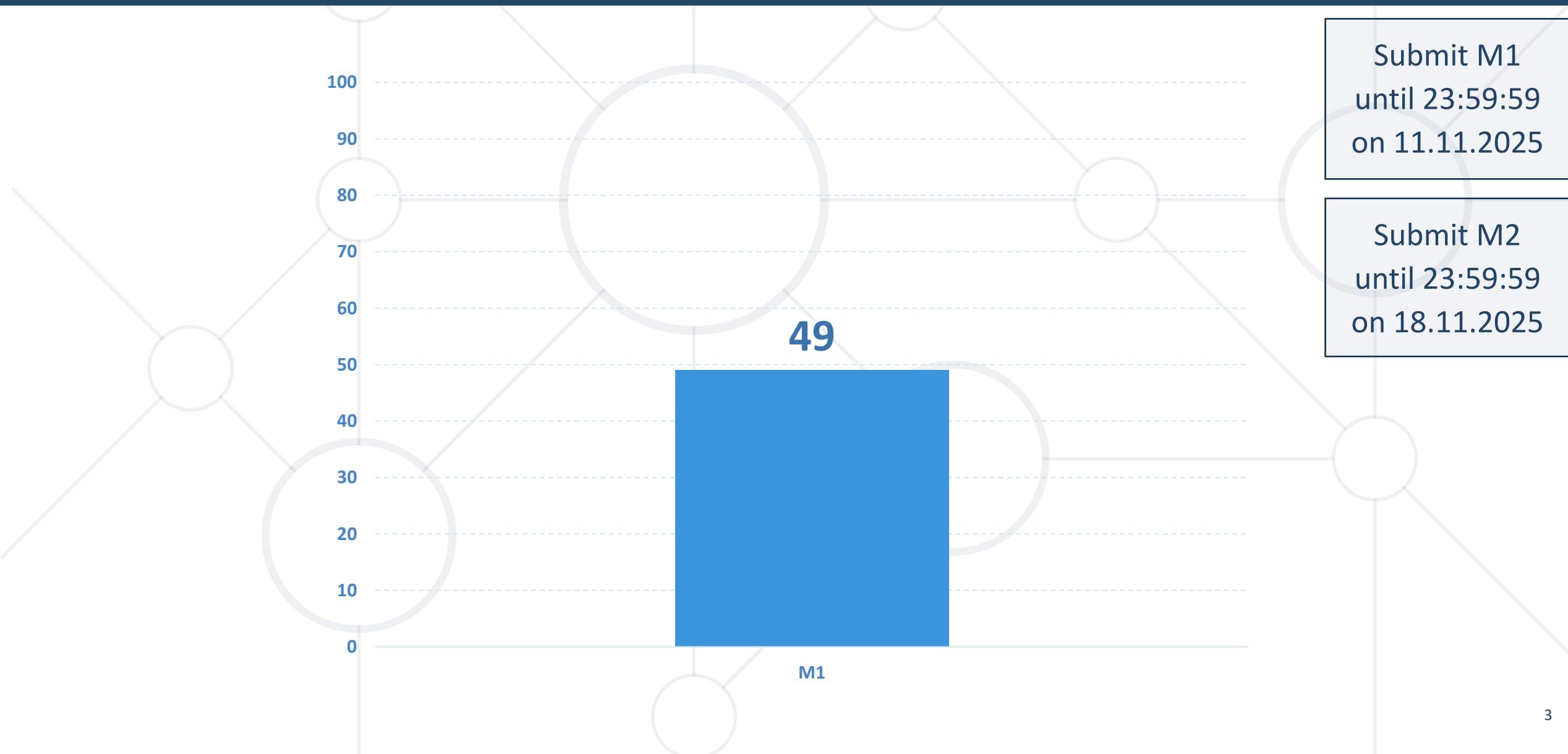


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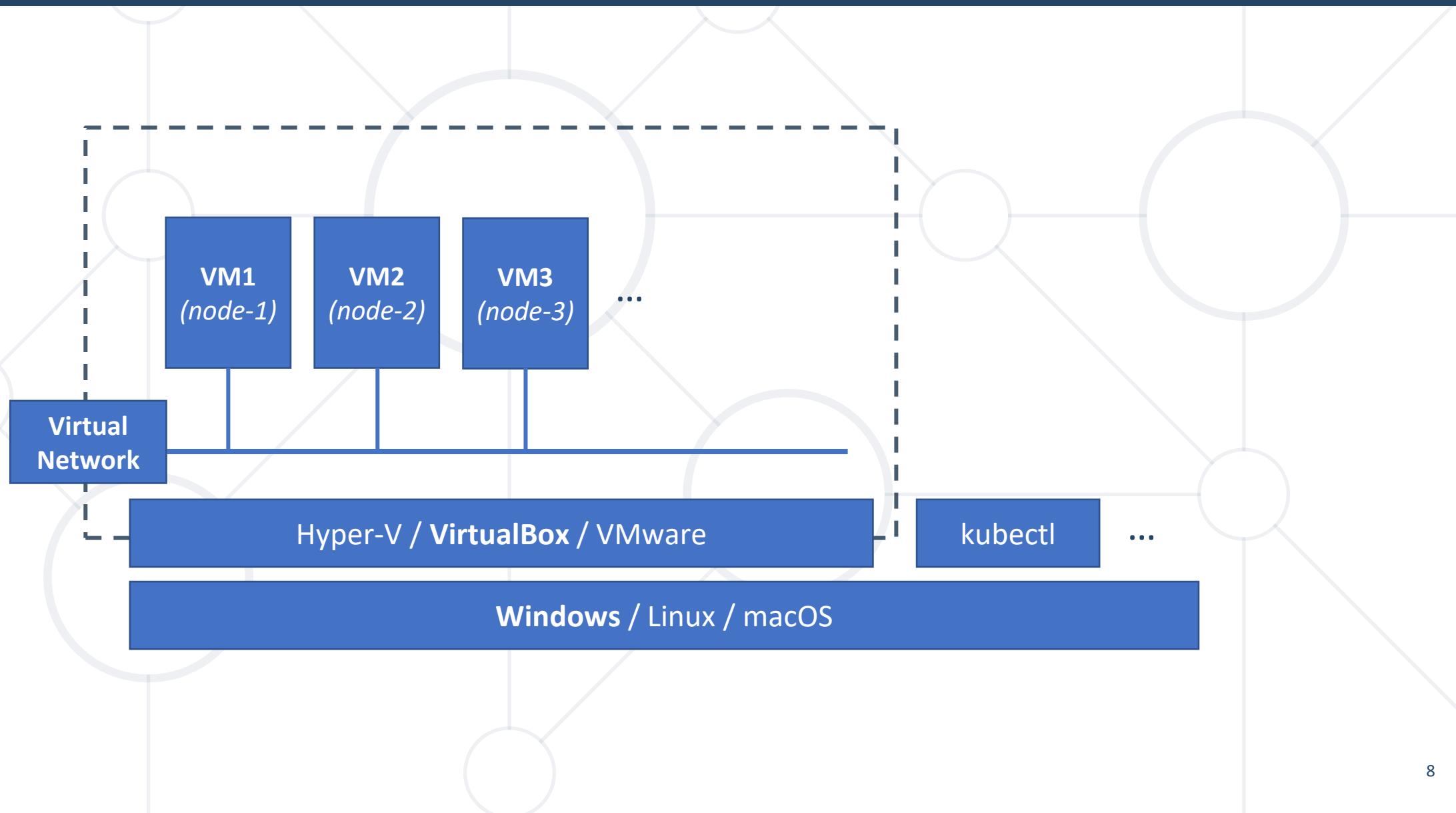
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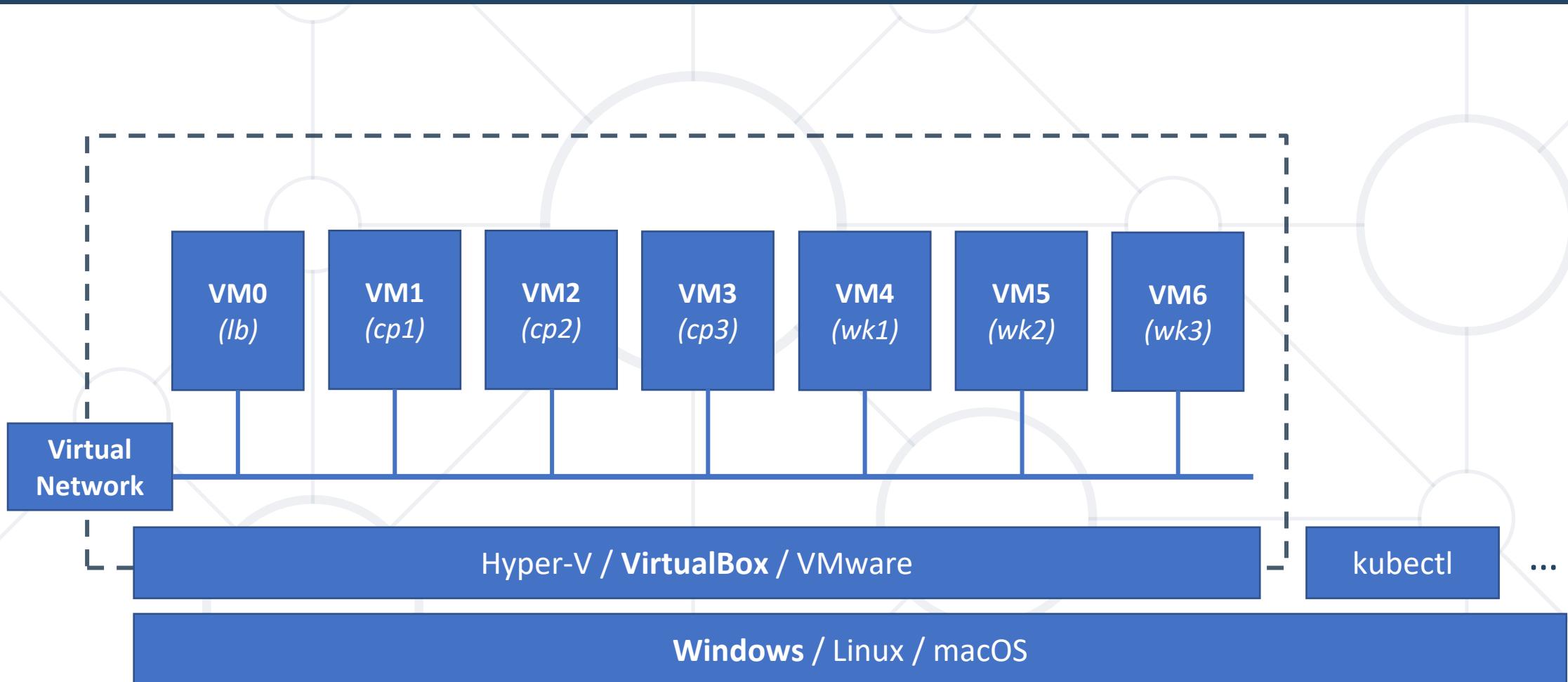
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Lab Infrastructure (part 1 & 2)



Lab Infrastructure (part 3)

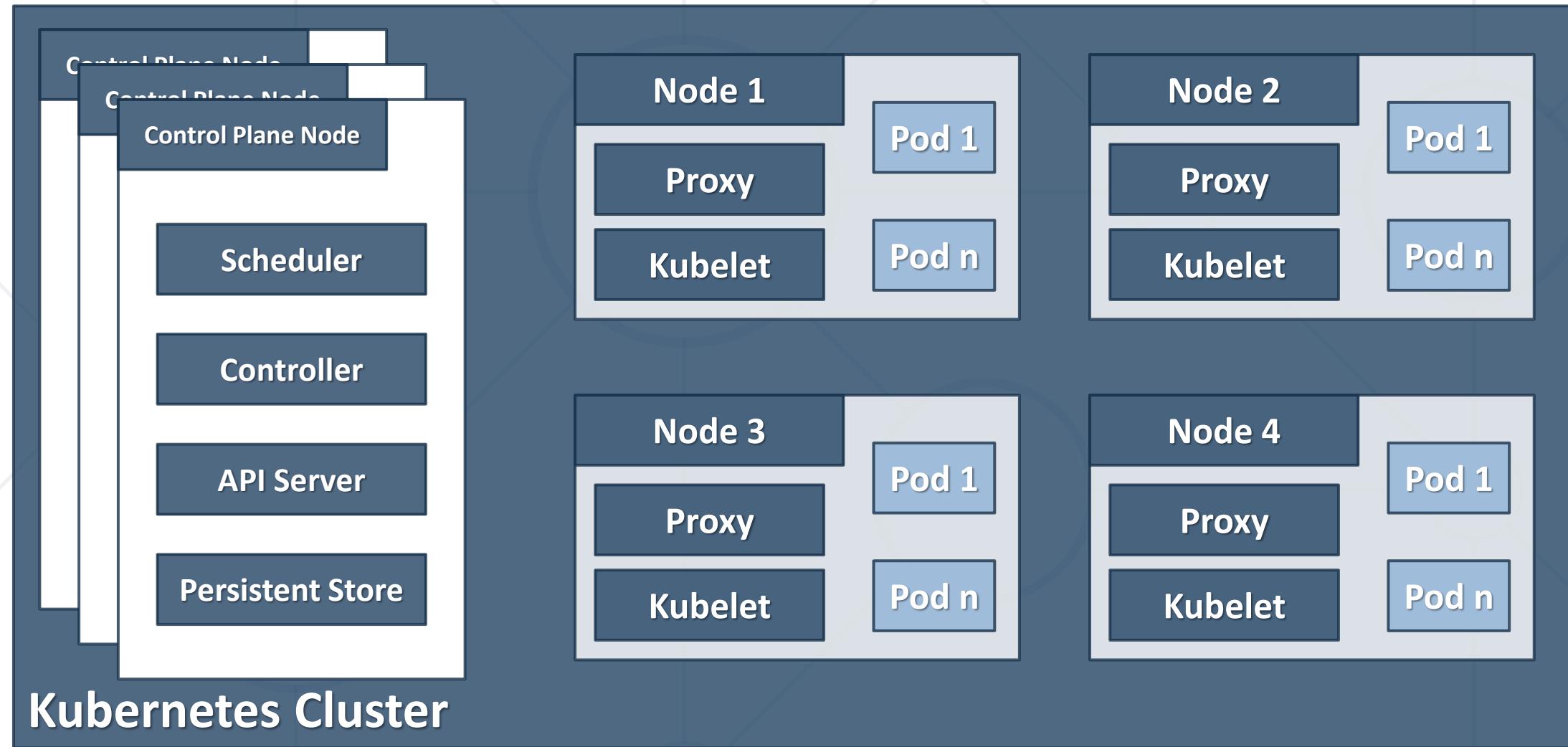




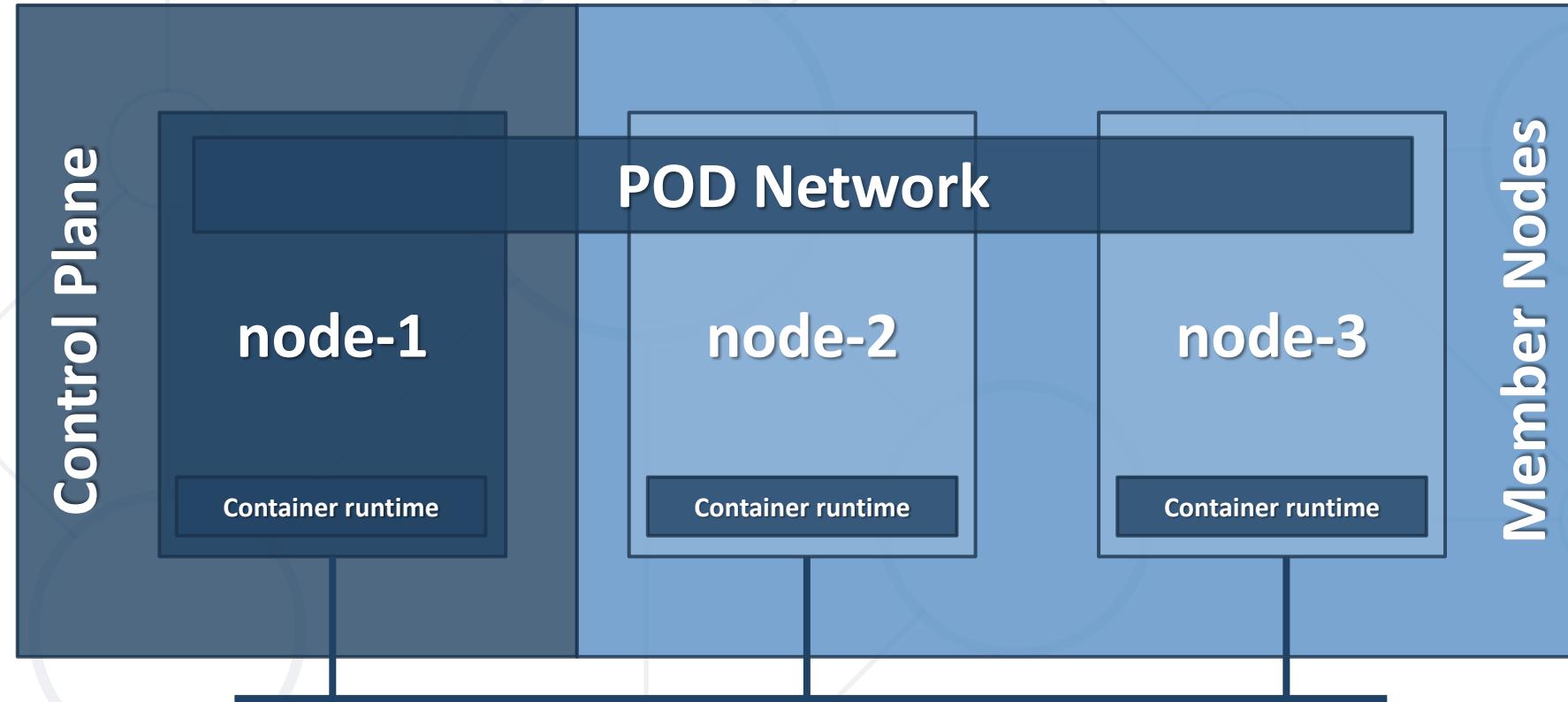
Basic Cluster Installation

The semi-hard way

Architecture Overview *



What Will We Install? *



* + other components that will be installed both explicitly and implicitly

How Will We Do It?

- Prepare a golden image
- Create the infrastructure
- Initialize the Control Plane
- Join the other nodes
- Work with our new cluster



Practice

Live Exercise in Class (Lab)



Manage and Upgrade k8s Cluster

Node Maintenance

- Make the node unavailable for new work (**cordon**)
- Initiate workload migration (**drain**)
- All pods are **evicted** and recreated on other nodes
- Node is ready for maintenance
- Declare the node ready for accepting work (**uncordon**)

Cluster State Backup / Restore

- **etcd** is the default database for storing the cluster state
- It runs on the control plane node(s)
- Use the **etcdctl** command to control it

Cluster Upgrade

- Control plane nodes (**one by one**)
 - Upgrade kubeadm
 - Upgrade the node
 - Drain the node
 - Upgrade the other components
 - Uncordon the node
- Nodes (one by one)
 - Same approach as with the control plane nodes



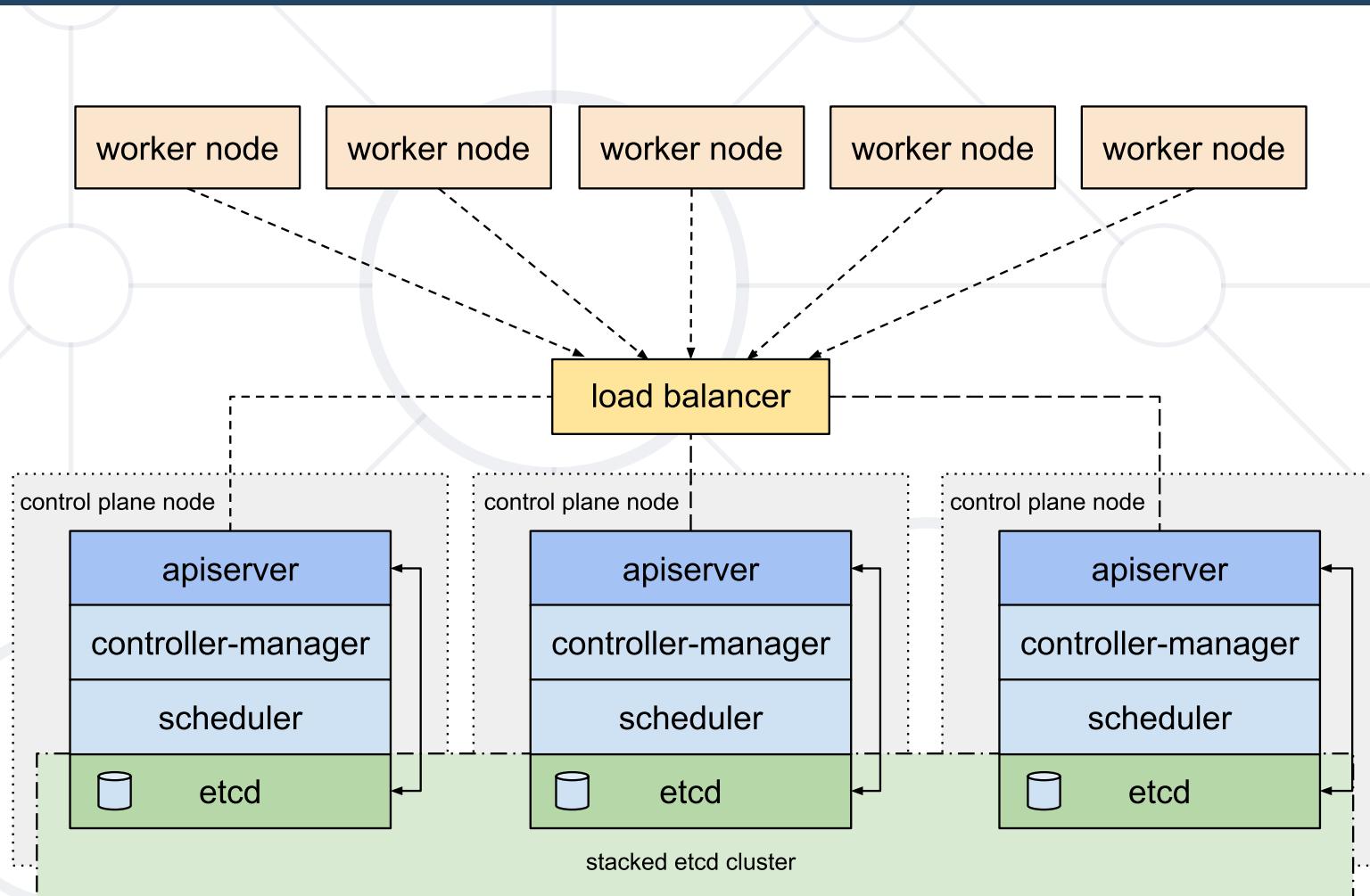
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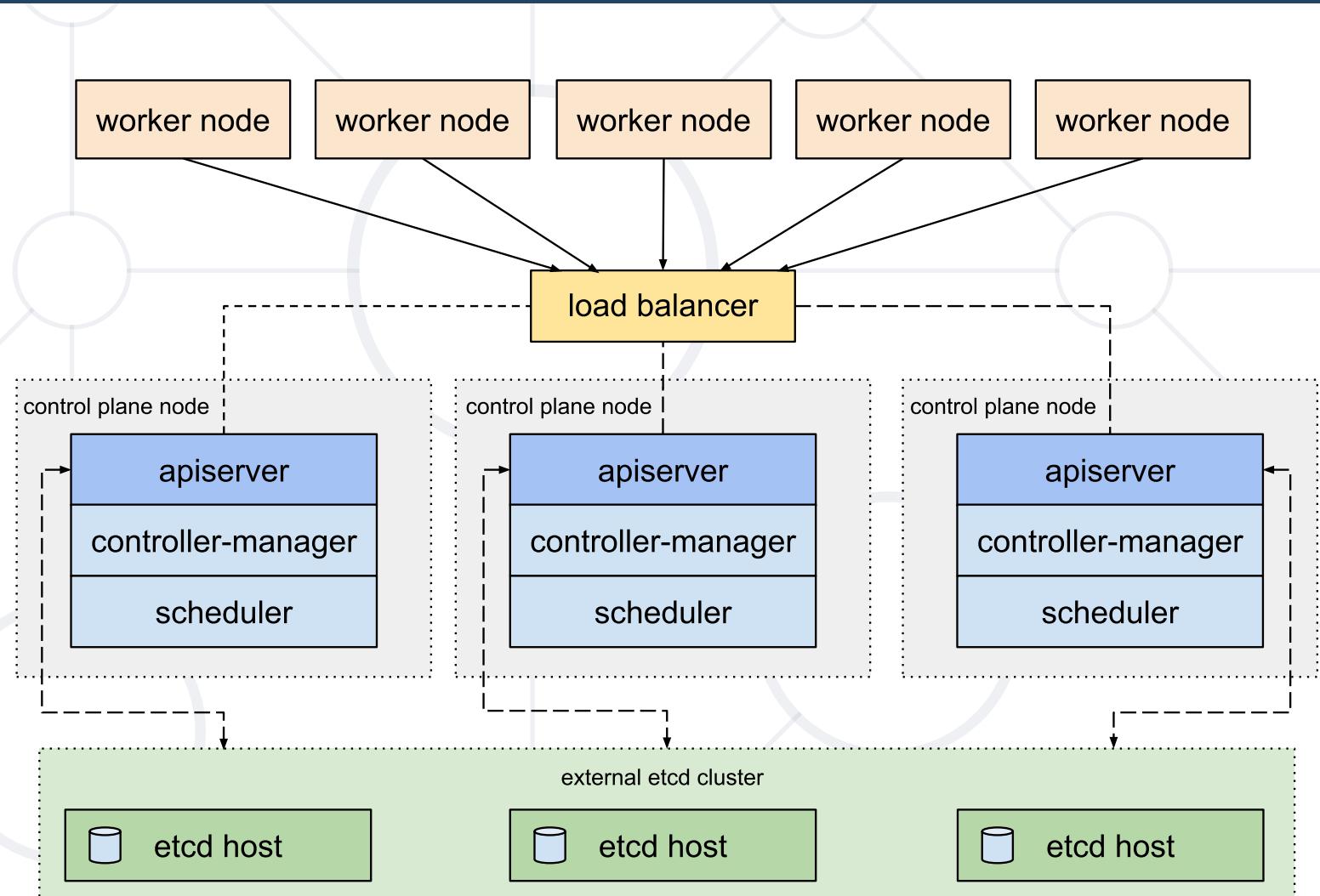
Highly-Available k8s Cluster

Option 1 (stacked etcd)



<https://kubernetes.io/docs/setup/production-environment/tools/kubeadm/ha-topology/#stacked-etcd-topology>

Option 2 (external etcd)





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