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"Kubernotify" Your Containers



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Experience

Worked with SQL Server since 2001

MCSE – Data Platform

Community

Newcastle DPaC (PASS) Leader

Power BI Newcastle (PBIUG) Leader

DataRelay Newcastle Organiser

Cricket/Football Coaching

What we'll be doing today

Containers

Kubernetes

Kubectl

Minikube / Docker for Windows

Azure Kubernetes Service (AKS)

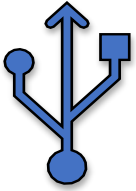
(Little bit) Azure DevOps Pipelines

Build / Release

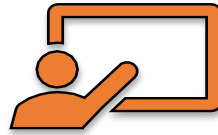
Not on the Agenda

- Deep Dive into Kubernetes Architecture / Internals
 - See Anthony Nocentino's Pluralsight course
 - <https://www.pluralsight.com/authors/anthony-nocentino>
 - <http://www.centinosystems.com/blog/author/aencentinosystems-com/>

Session Aim



Insight into
Kubernetes - Cloud
and On-Prem



Learn by example

- Demo's
- My Mistakes



Enough of a taste
to get the
Kubernetes bug
and start
experimenting!

What are Containers?

- Next evolution in virtualisation
- Lightweight, standalone, executable package of software
 - Includes everything needed to run an application: code, runtime, system tools, system libraries and settings.
 - Separation of applications or services on the same container host
 - Isolated, resource controlled, and portable operating environment
 - Containerized software will always run the same, regardless of the environment
- Enables true independence between applications / infrastructure / developers / IT ops

"Basically, a container is an isolated place where an application can run without affecting the rest of the system, and without the system affecting the application."

<https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/virtualization/windowscontainers/quick-start/>

What is Kubernetes?

Open source orchestration engine

- Designed by Google / used extensively

- Written in Go/Golang

- Kubernetes v1.0 was released on July 21, 2015

Leading orchestrator

- Easy to deploy and maintain containers

- Quick to spin up containers

- High availability built-in

- Big Data Clusters

Kubernetes is a portable, extensible open-source platform for managing containerized workloads and services, that facilitates both declarative configuration and automation.

<http://kubernetes.io>

Kubernetes Features

Service discovery and load balancing

No need to modify your application to use an unfamiliar service discovery mechanism. Kubernetes gives Pods their own IP addresses and a single DNS name for a set of Pods, and can load-balance across them.

Storage orchestration

Automatically mount the storage system of your choice, whether from local storage, a public cloud provider such as [GCP](#) or [AWS](#), or a network storage system such as NFS, iSCSI, Gluster, Ceph, Cinder, or Flocker.

Automated rollouts and rollbacks

Kubernetes progressively rolls out changes to your application or its configuration, while monitoring application health to ensure it doesn't kill all your instances at the same time. If something goes wrong, Kubernetes will rollback the change for you. Take advantage of a growing ecosystem of deployment solutions.

Batch execution

In addition to services, Kubernetes can manage your batch and CI workloads, replacing containers that fail, if desired.

Automatic bin packing

Automatically places containers based on their resource requirements and other constraints, while not sacrificing availability. Mix critical and best-effort workloads in order to drive up utilization and save even more resources.

Self-healing

Restarts containers that fail, replaces and reschedules containers when nodes die, kills containers that don't respond to your user-defined health check, and doesn't advertise them to clients until they are ready to serve.

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Does not deploy source code and does not build your application.

Continuous Integration, Delivery, and Deployment (CI/CD) workflows are determined by organization cultures and preferences as well as technical requirements.

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E.g. middleware (for example, message buses), data-processing frameworks (e.g. Spark), databases (e.g. mysql), caches, nor cluster storage systems (e.g. Ceph) as built-in services.

Such components can run on Kubernetes, and/or can be accessed by applications running on Kubernetes through portable mechanisms, such as the Open Service Broker.

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It provides some integrations as proof of concept, and mechanisms to collect and export metrics.

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What is k8s?

KUBERNETES

"Kubernetes means helmsman in Greek

(a person who drives or steers a ship).



kubernetes

The symbol is the wheel of the ship.'



kubernetes

<https://kubernetes.io/docs/home>

Kubernetes Architecture

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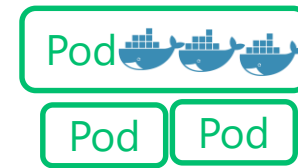
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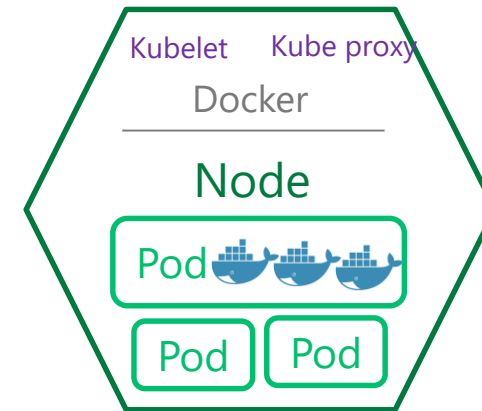
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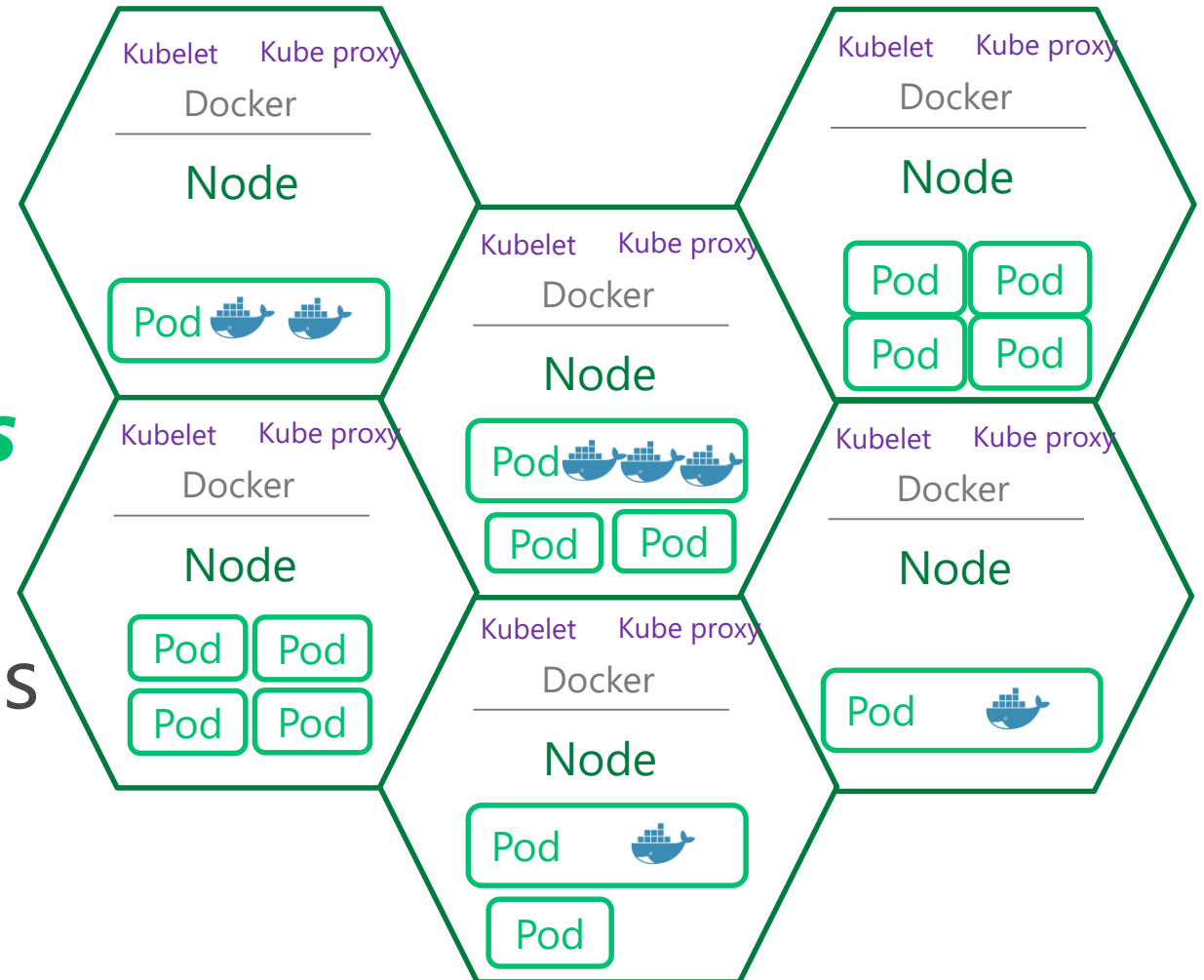
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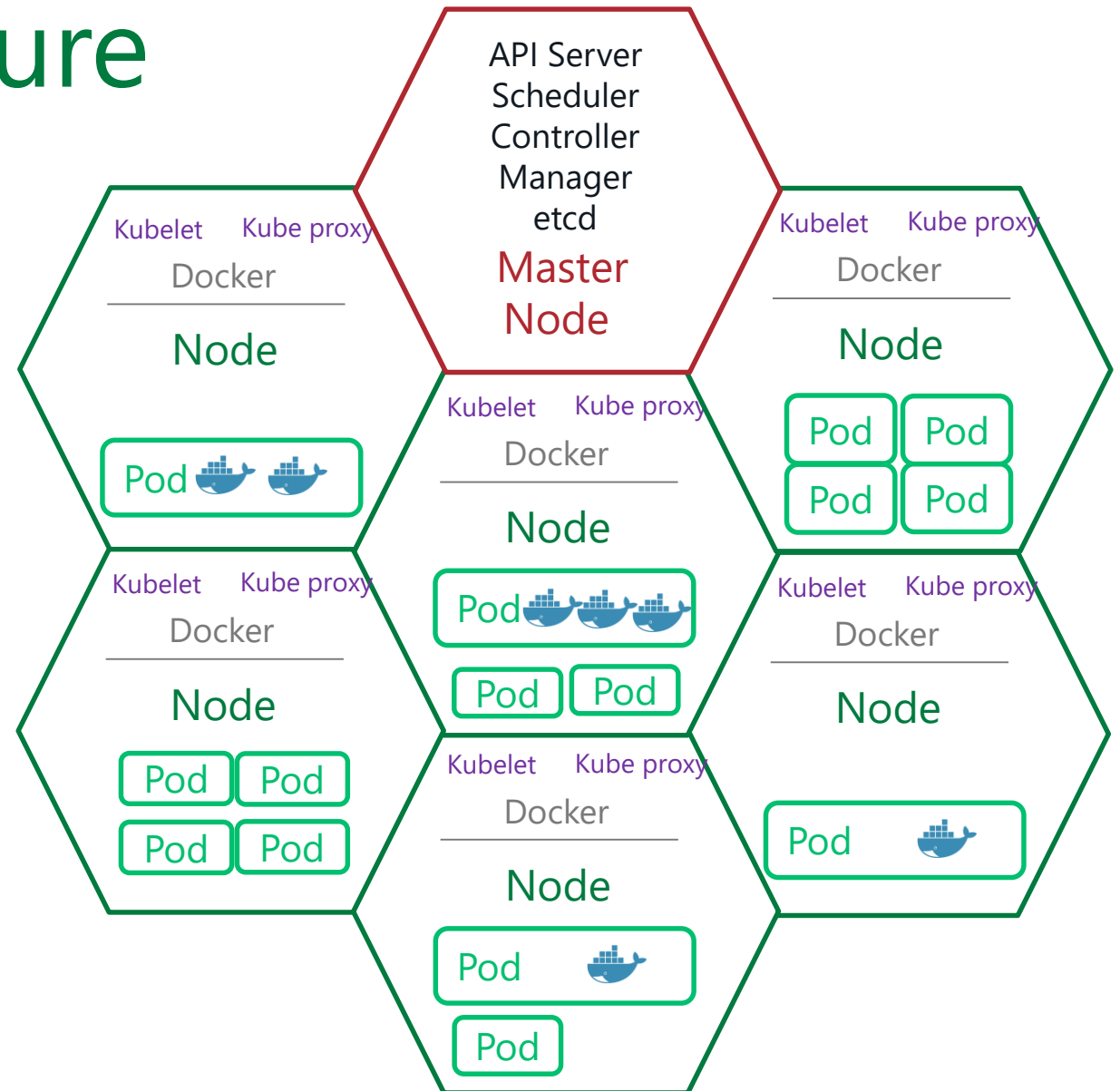
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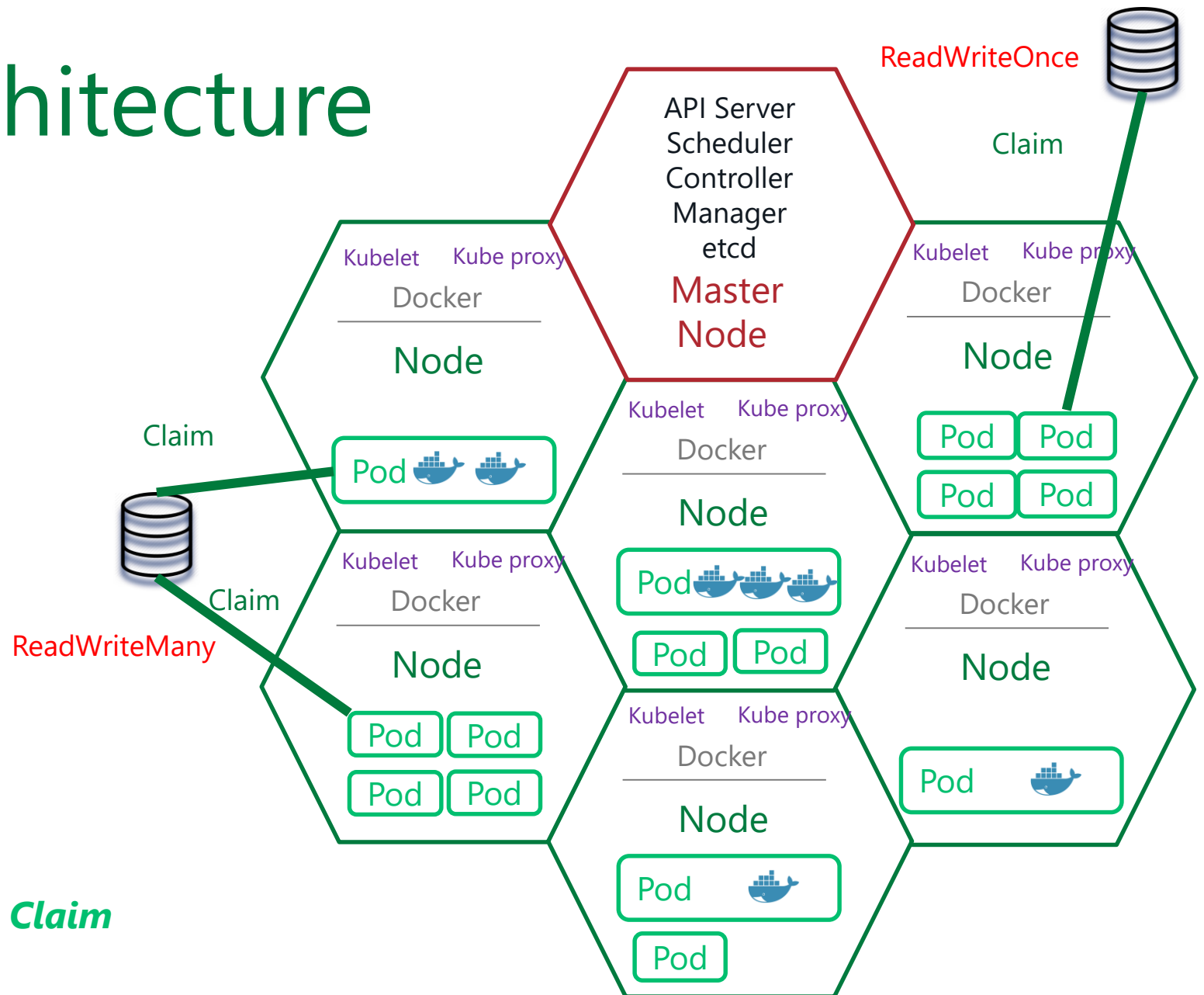
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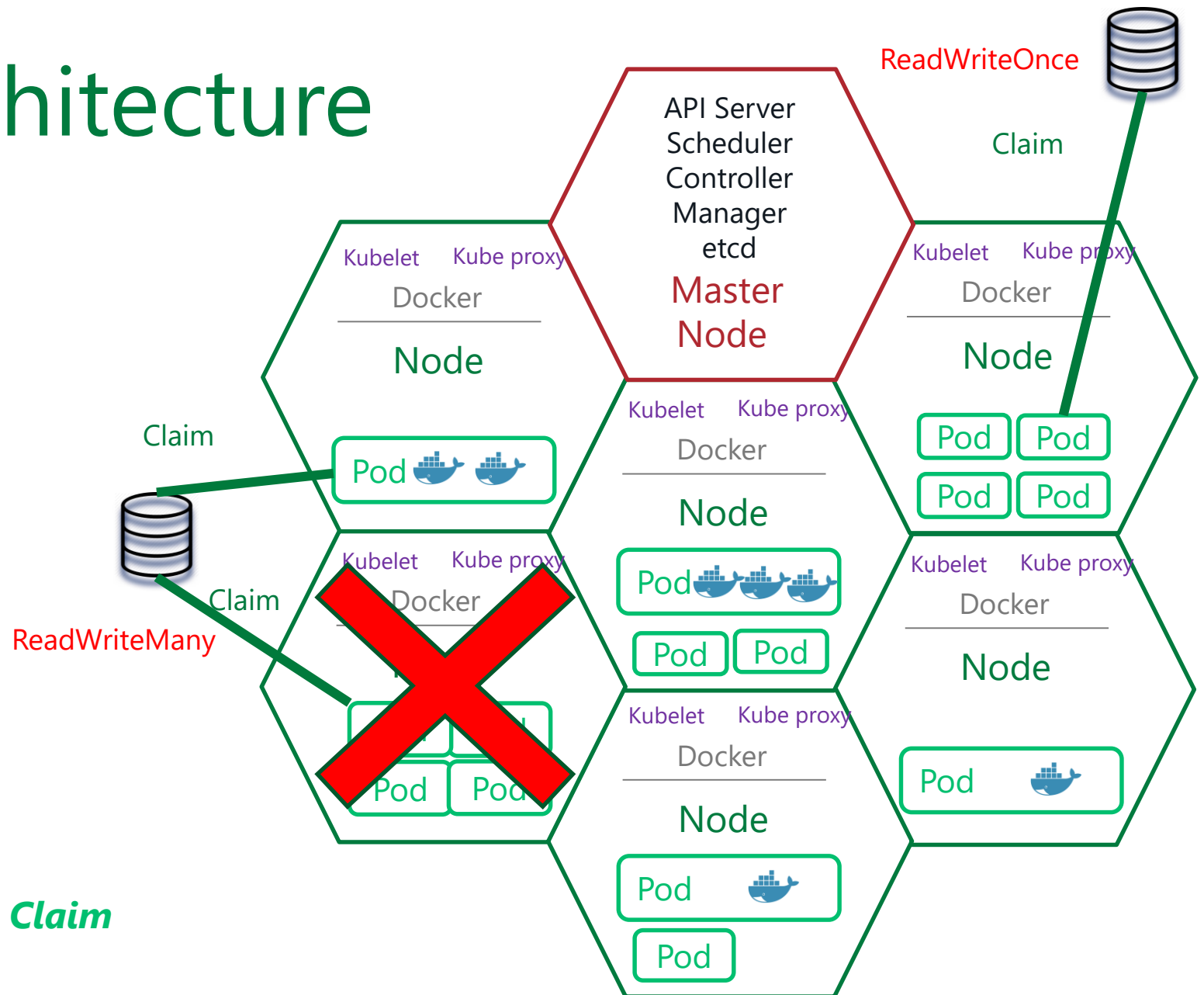
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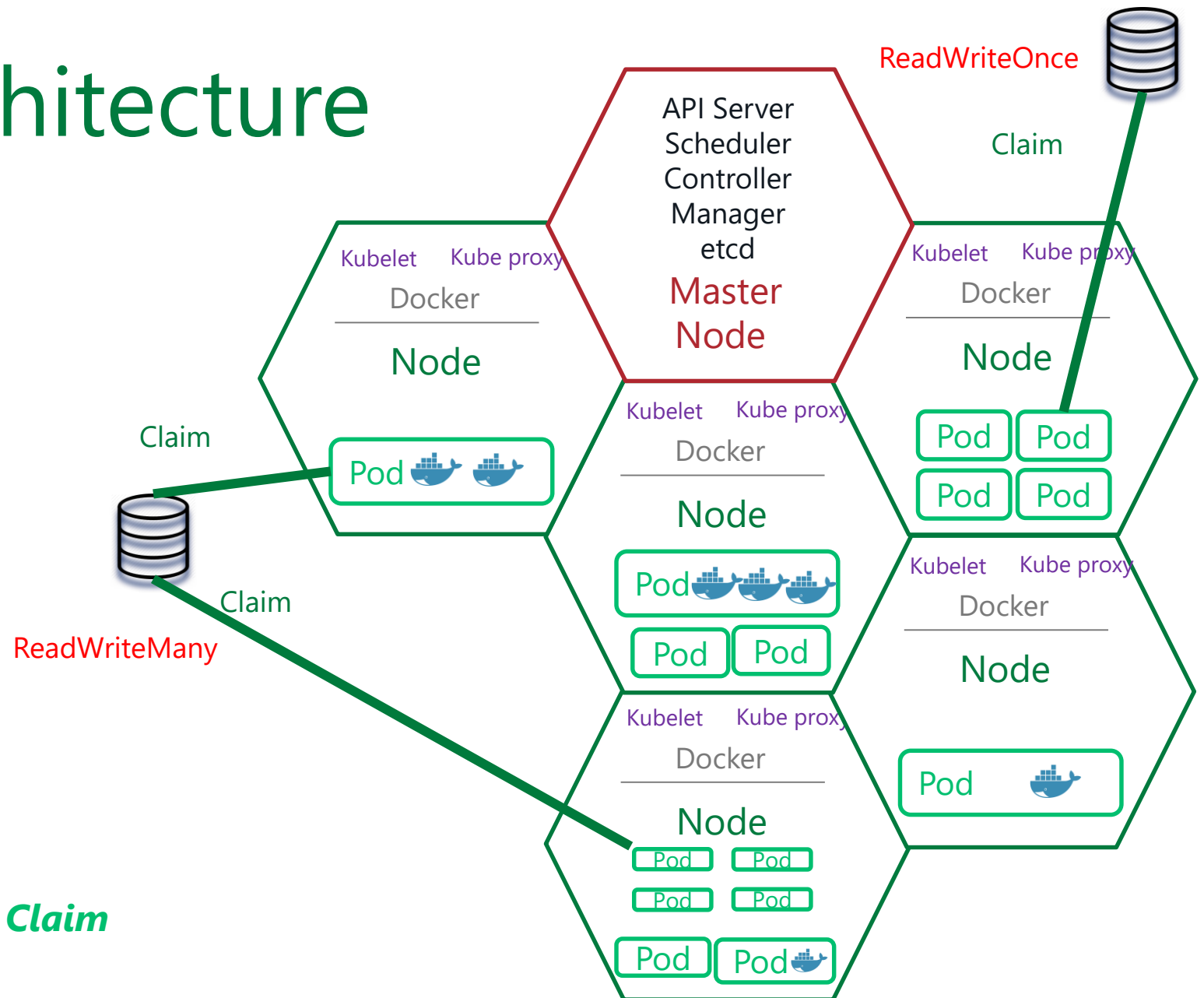
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SQL Server 2019

Always On Availability Groups on Kubernetes

Operator orchestrates

AG concepts all apply

Load Balancer for Primary App

Load Balancer for Secondary Replica Readers

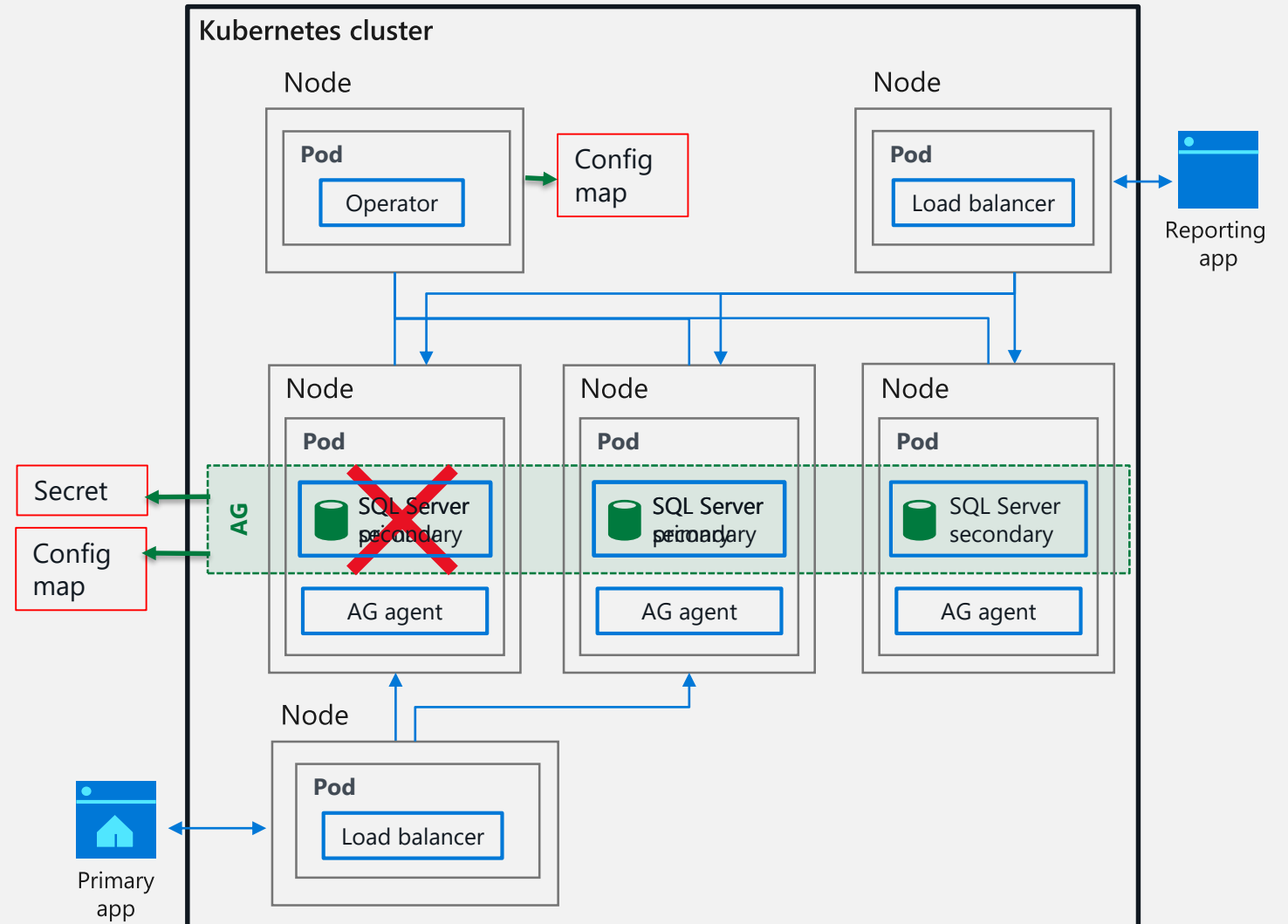
No need for read write routing from primary listener.

ConfigMaps = configuration settings with environment-specific (param , value)

<http://aka.ms/sqlworkshops>

Deploying a highly available SQL Server solution in Kubernetes

Availability groups on Kubernetes



SQL Server and AGs on Kubernetes

	With an availability group	Standalone container instance No availability group
Automatically recover from node failure	Yes	Yes
Automatically recover from pod failure	Yes	Yes
Faster failover	Yes	
Automatically recover from SQL Server instance failure	Yes	
Automatically recover from database health check failure	Yes	
Provide read-only replicas	Yes	
Secondary replica backup	Yes	
Runs as a <u>StatefulSet</u>	Yes	

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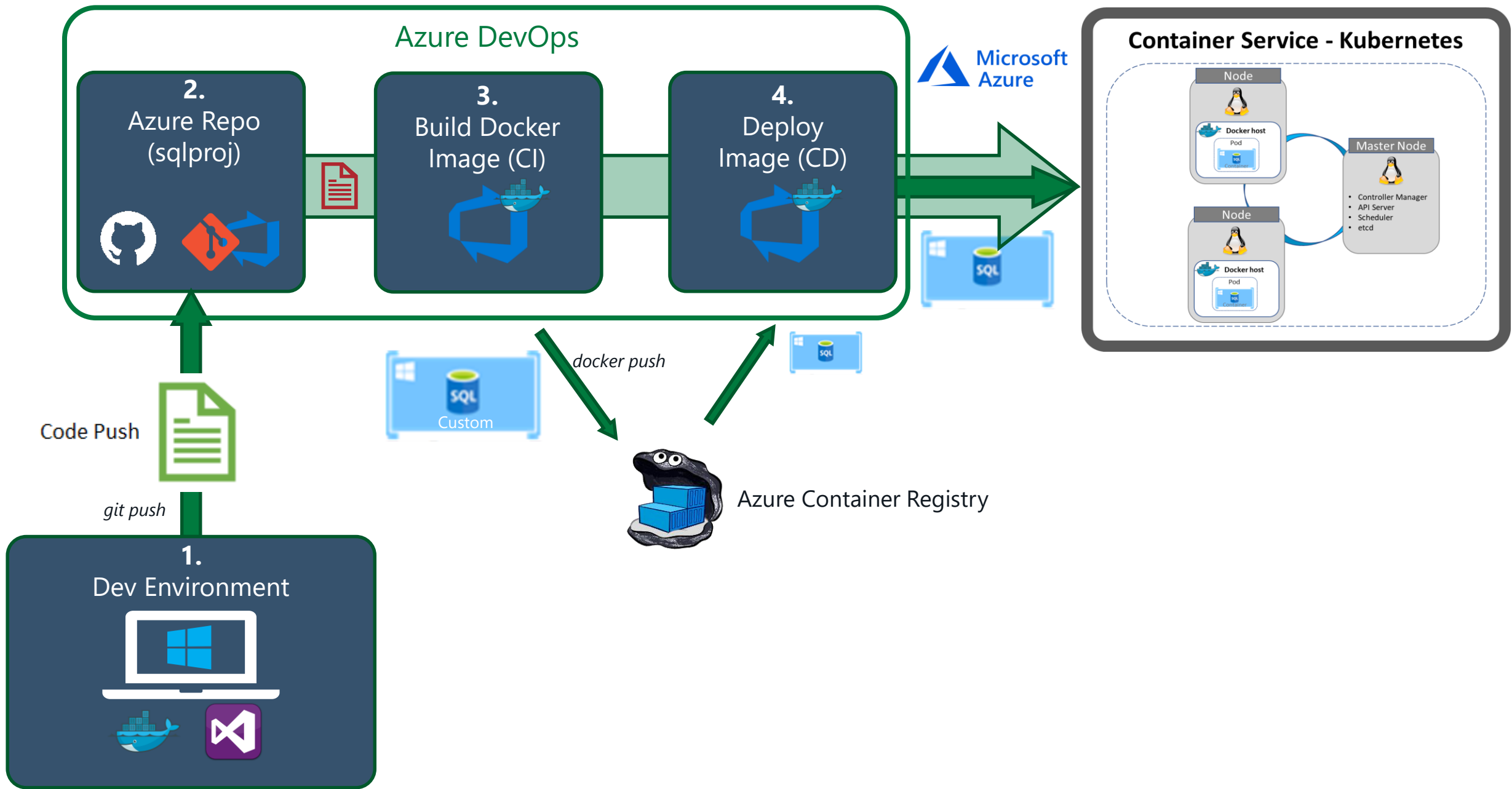
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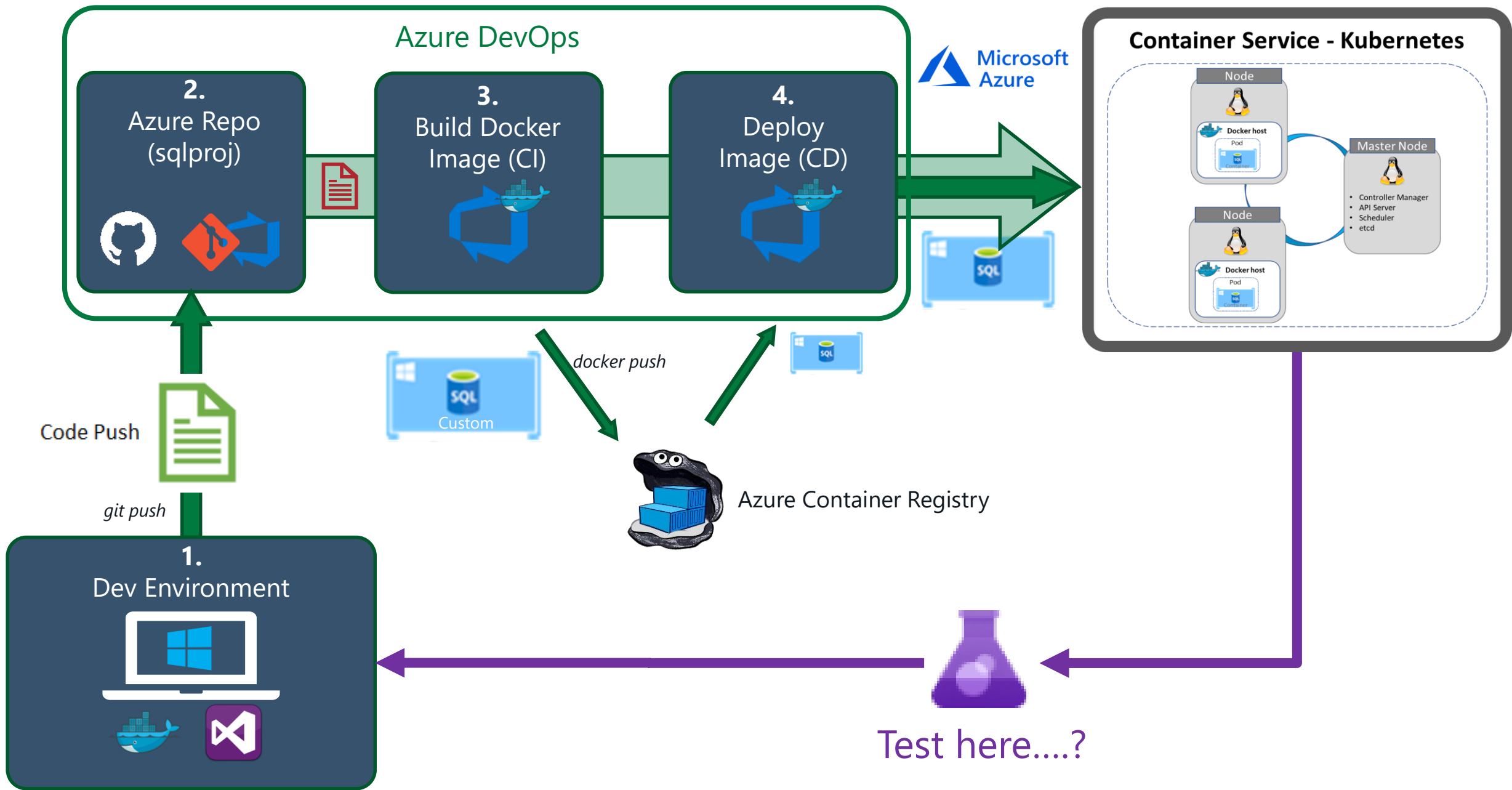
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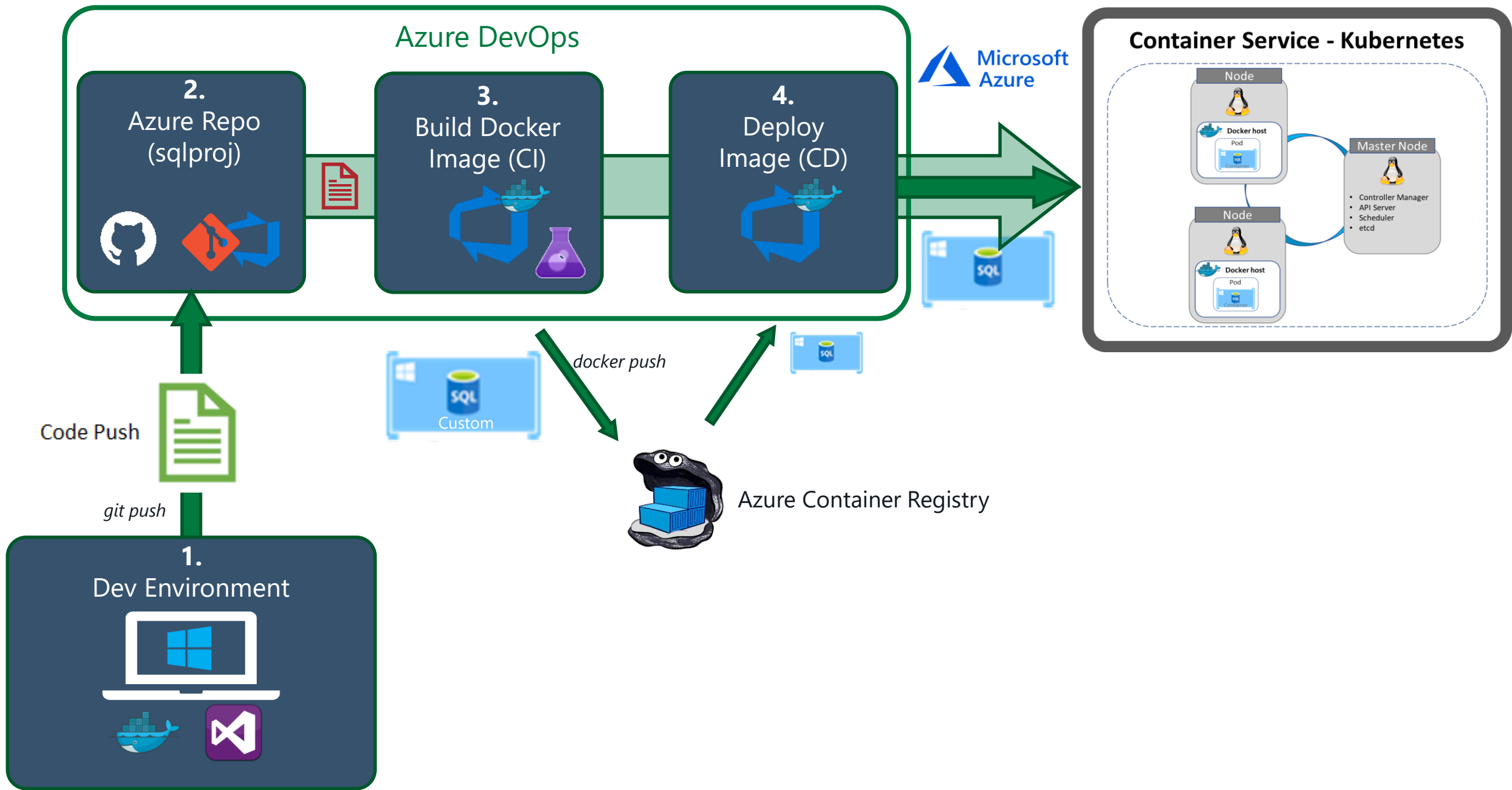
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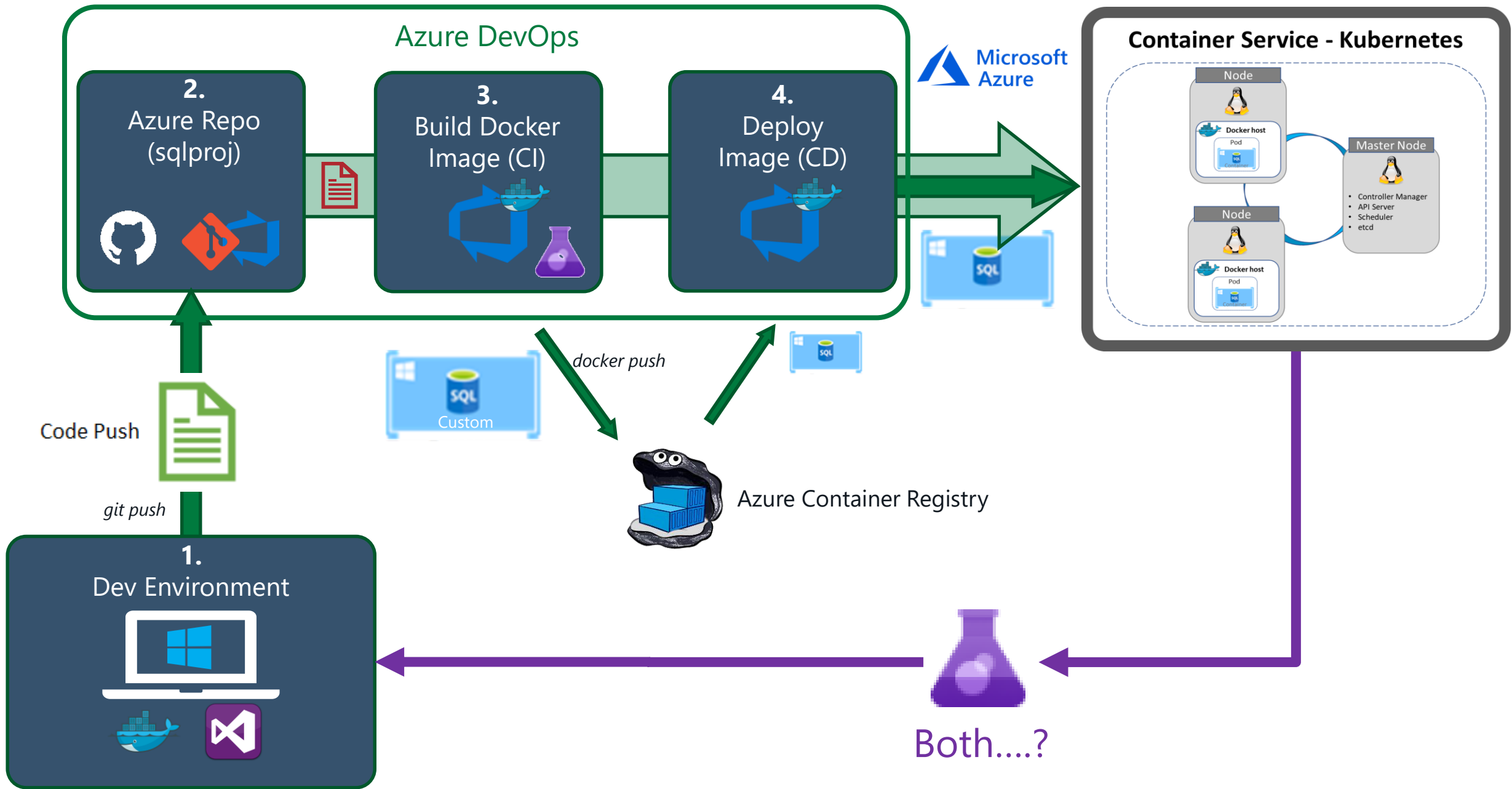
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DEMO










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version: '3.3'
services:
  db:
    build:
      context: ./docker/db/
      dockerfile: Dockerfile
    ports:
      - "1433:1433"
    environment:
      SA_PASSWORD: "Alaska2017"
      ACCEPT_EULA: "Y"
    healthcheck:
      test: sqlcmd -S db1.internal.prod.example.com -U SA -P [REDACTED] -Q 'select 1'
    networks:
      mynetwork:
        aliases:
          - db1.internal.prod.example.com
  web:
    build:
      context: ./docker/web/
      dockerfile: Dockerfile
    user: root
    depends_on:
      - db
    volumes:
      - .:/code/
    ports:
      - "8080:8080"
    environment:
      DJANGO_SETTINGS_MODULE: SqlServerOnDocker.settings
    command: python3 manage.py runserver 0.0.0.0:8080
    restart: unless-stopped
    networks:
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networks:
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    driver: bridge
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K8s Summary

Pro's

- Runs on many platforms
- Scaling self-healing and recover quickly
- Manage infrastructure as a code
 - Hide infrastructure complexity
- Load balancers
- Speed of deployment
- Ability to absorb change quickly

Con's

- Big change from the norm!!!
- Windows Authentication..... ☹️
- Minikube is hit n miss
 - Recent version meant SQL Server wouldn't deploy
- Make sure you set your resource limits

Summary

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