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Kubernetes Workload & Production (2)
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Housekeeping and Feedback

- Start recording
- Midterm in class next Monday, Oct 23.
  - 10 multiple choice, 4 short answer, and 2 long answer
  - It covers the contents up to this lecture.

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Creating Google Kubernetes Engine Deployments
(https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=k4x4ce370LA)

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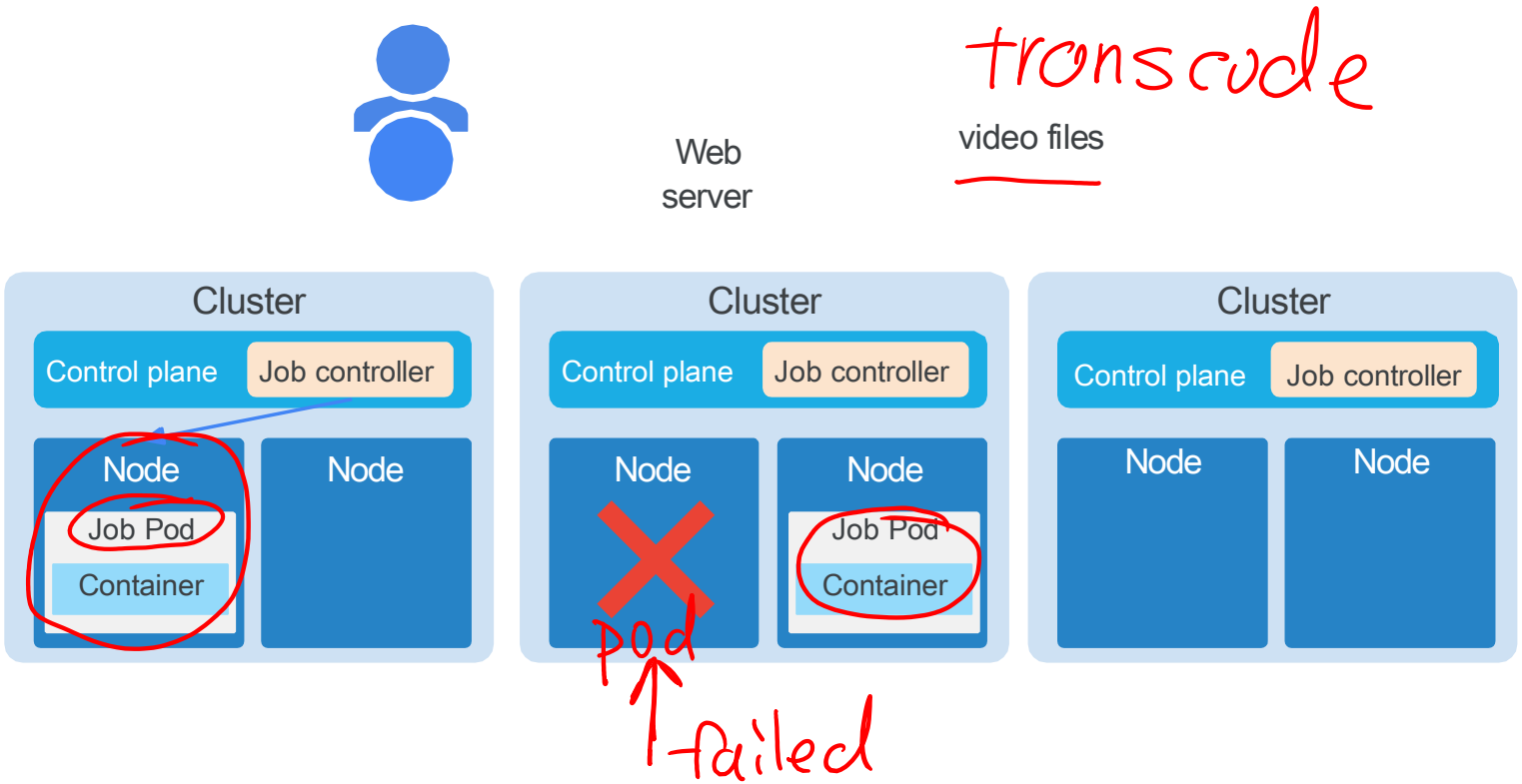
A scenario where Job provides the solution



Jobs definition

```
apiVersion: batch/v1
kind: Job
metadata:
  name: my-app-job
spec:
  completions: 3
  template:
    spec:
[...]
```

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Jobs

Inspecting a job

```
$ kubectl describe job [JOB_NAME]
```

```
$ kubectl get pod –l [job-name=my-app-job]
```

Scaling a job

```
$ kubectl scale job [JOB_NAME] --replicas [VALUE]
```

Deleting a job

```
$ kubectl delete -f [JOB_FILE]
```

```
$ kubectl delete job [JOB_NAME]
```

Differences of jobs and deployments

The main difference between Deployments and Jobs is **how they handle a Pod that is terminated**. A Deployment is intended to be a "service", e.g. it should be up-and-running, so it will try to restart the Pods it manage, to match the desired number of replicas. While a Job is intended to execute and successfully terminate.

e.g. webserver, database server

e.g. database backup

In a Deployment, the default restartPolicy of your Pod is set Always. In a Job: Never. A job is not meant to restart your container once it would have completed. A deployment is not meant to complete.

https://stackoverflow.com/questions/68906801/what-is-difference-between-kubernetes-jobs-deployments

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Deploying jobs on GKE
(https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pqGfzXHrYLk)

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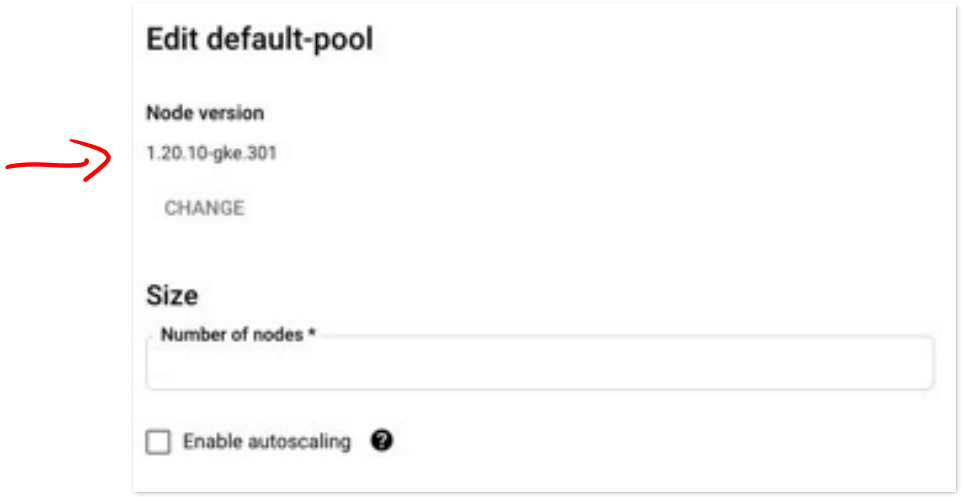
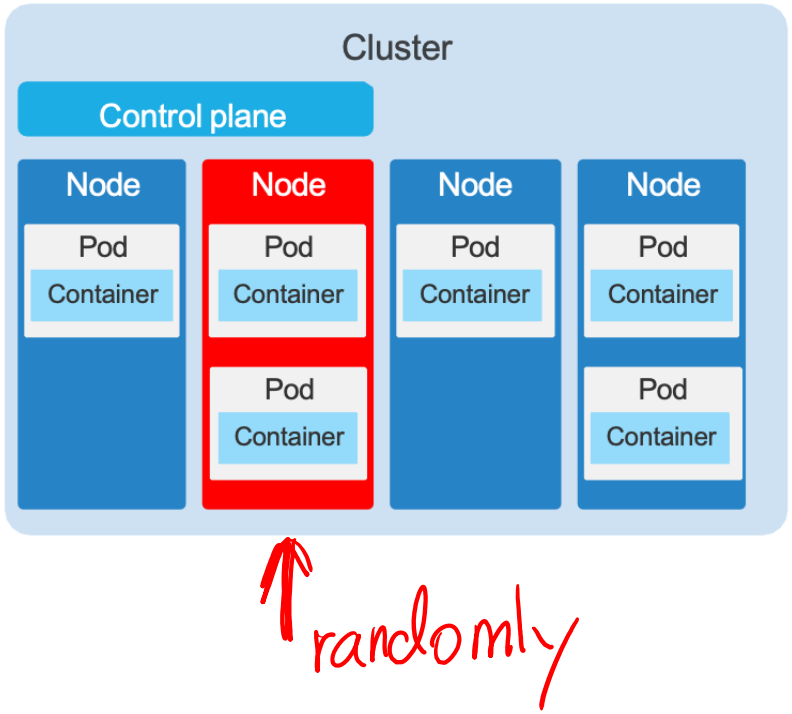
Scaling down a cluster using the gcloud command

```
gcloud container clusters resize projectdemo --
node-pool \ default-pool \
--num_nodes 6
```

Scaling down a cluster from the cloud console

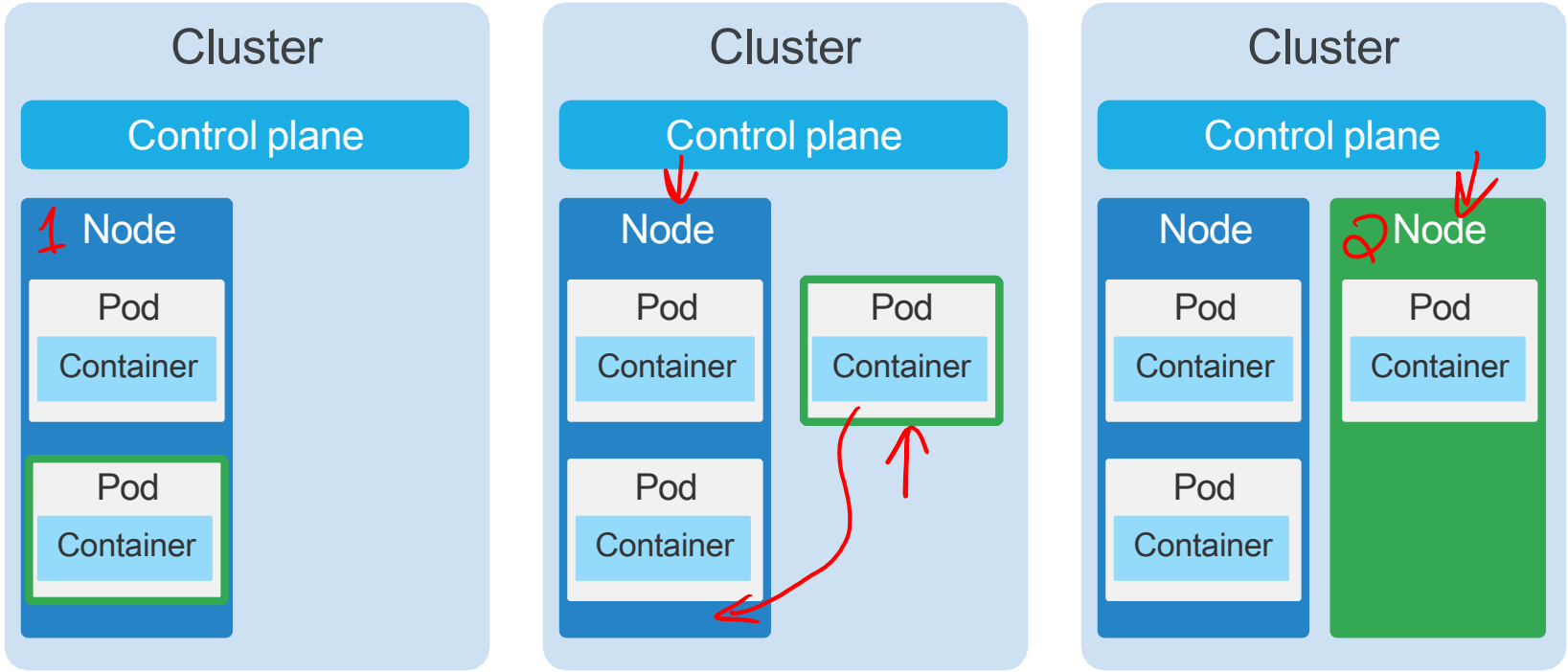


Manual Cluster Scale down selects nodes randomly

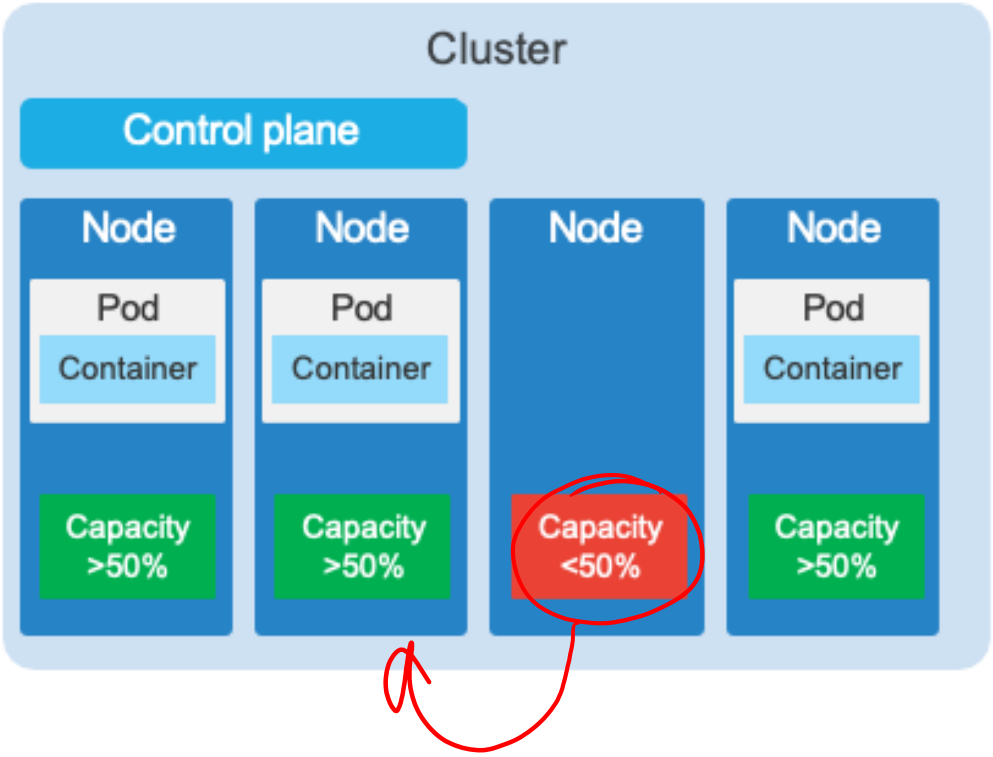


Scale up a cluster with autoscaling

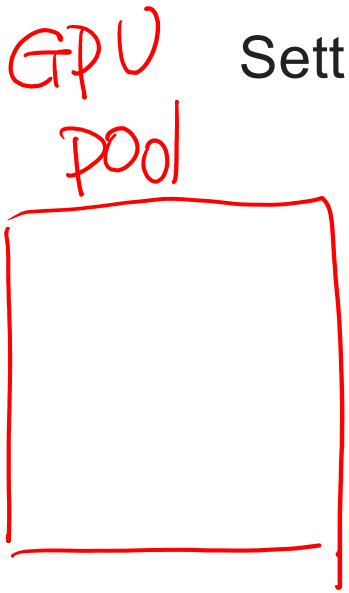
ECS ↔ EKS



The Autoscaler removes nodes that remain below 50% utilization



Setting a node pool size



Node pool = 0

Cluster size ≠ 0

MAX = 15,000 nodes x 110 Pods

Increase quota limits to avoid disruption

gcloud commands for autoscaling

Create a cluster with autoscaling enabled

```
gcloud container clusters create [CLUSTER_NAME] --enable-autoscaling
--min-nodes 15 --max-nodes 50
[--zone COMPUTE_ZONE]
```

Enable autoscaling for an existing node pool

```
gcloud container clusters update
[CLUSTER_NAME] --enable-autoscaling \
--min-nodes 1 --max-nodes 10 --zone
[COMPUTE_ZONE] --node-pool [POOL_NAME]
```

Add a node pool with autoscaling enabled

```
gcloud container node-pools create
[POOL_NAME] --cluster [CLUSTER_NAME]
--enable-autoscaling --min-nodes 15
--max-nodes 50 [--zone COMPUTE_ZONE]
```

Disable autoscaling for an existing node pool

```
gcloud container clusters update
[CLUSTER_NAME] --no-enable-autoscaling \
--node-pool [POOL_NAME] [--zone
[COMPUTE_ZONE] --project [PROJECT_ID]]
```

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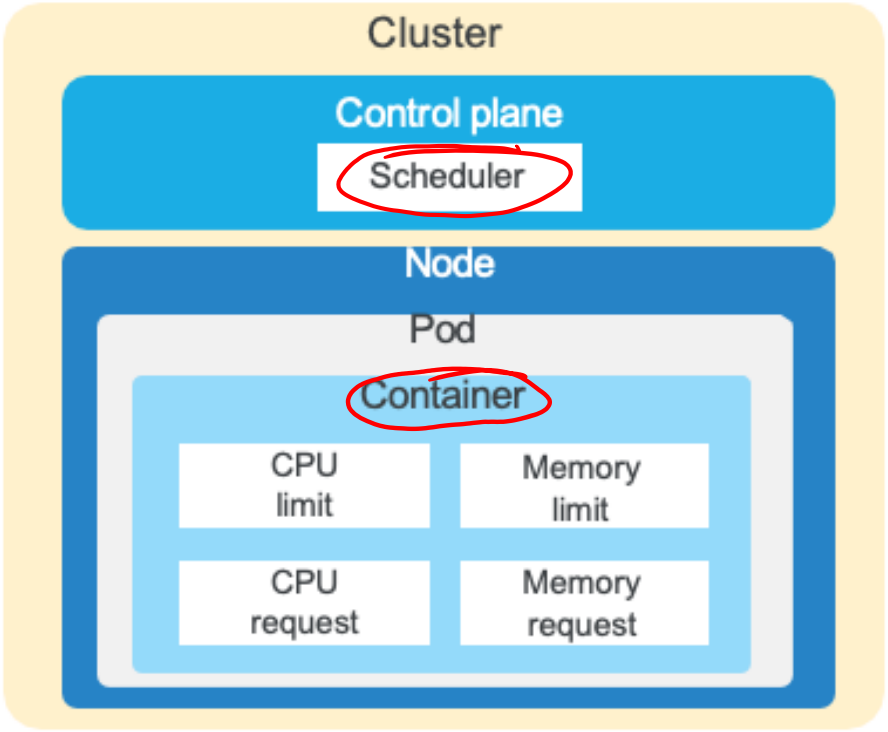
Controlled scheduling



Nodes must match all the labels present under the nodeSelector field

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: Pod
metadata:
  name: mysql
  labels:
    env: test

  containers:
  - name: mysql
    image: mysql
    imagePullPolicy: IfNotPresent
  nodeSelector:
    disktype: ssd
[…]
```

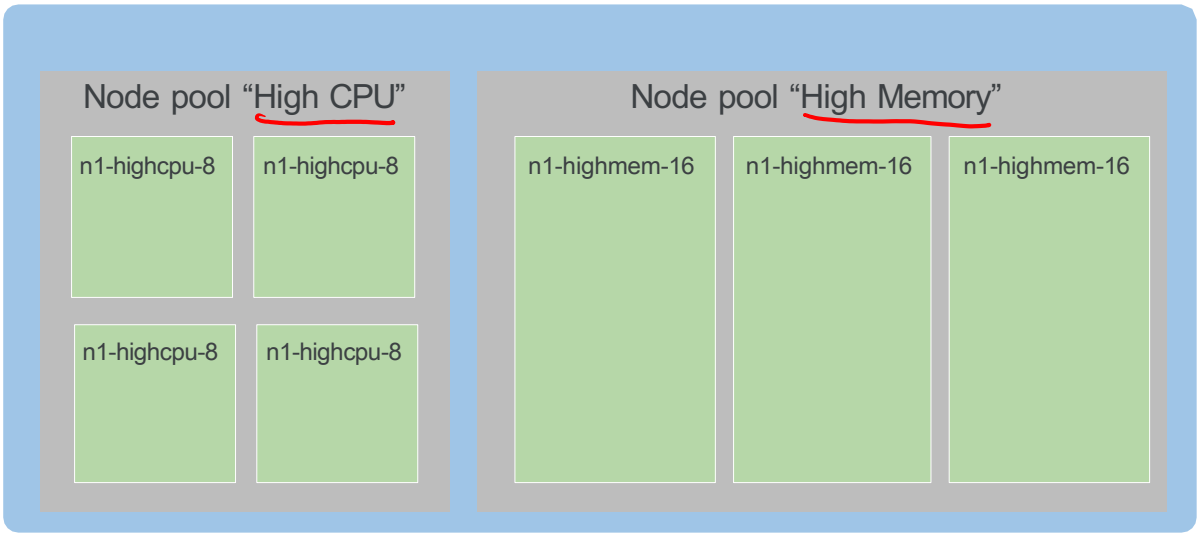
```
apiVersion: v1
kind: Node
metadata:
  name: node1
  labels:
    disktype: ssd
[…]
```

Nodes must match all the labels present under the nodeSelector field

auto generated labels

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: Pod
metadata:
  name: mysql
  labels:
    env: test
spec:
  containers:
  - name: mysql
    image: mysql
    imagePullPolicy: IfNotPresent
  nodeSelector:
    cloud.google.com/gke-nodepool=ssd
[…]
```

Use node pools to manage different kinds of nodes



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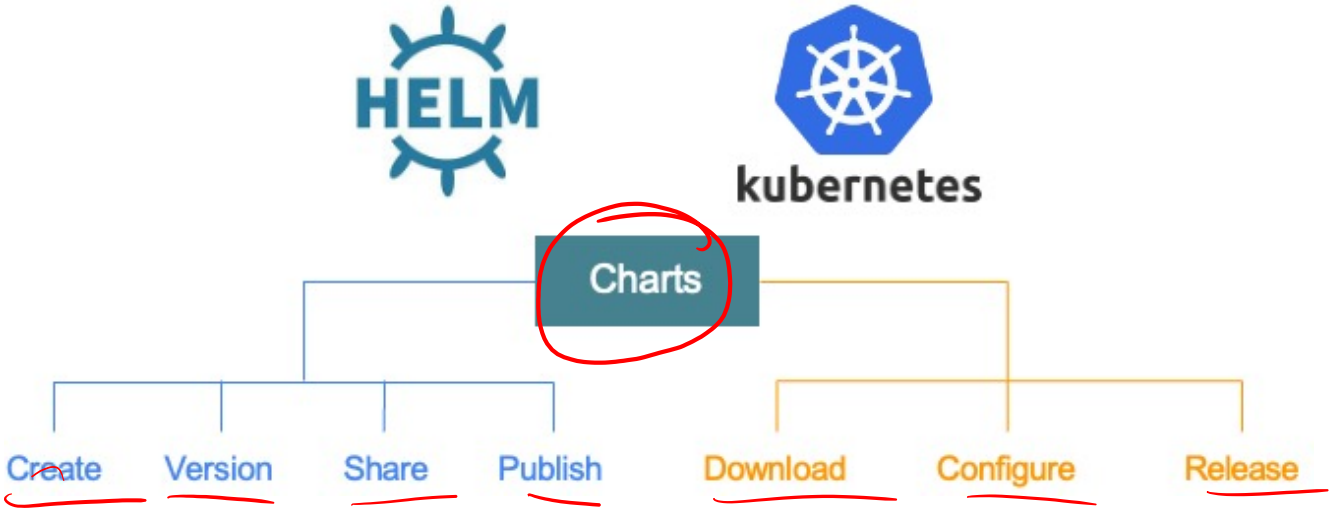
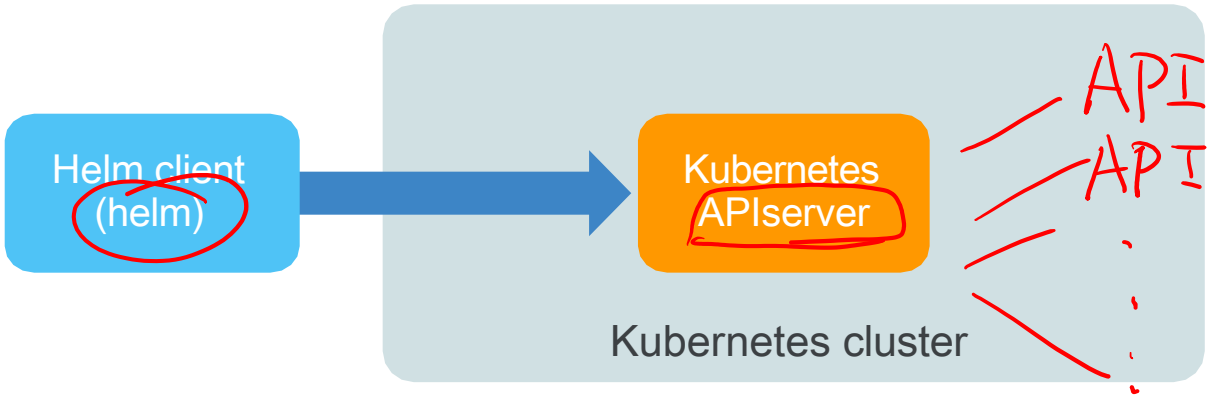
How to get software

- Build it yourself, and supply your own YAML.
- Use Helm to install software into your cluster.
- Use Google Cloud Marketplace to install both open-source and commercial software.

Organize Kubernetes objects in packages and deploy complex packages



Helm interacts directly with the Kubernetes APIserver



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Configuring Pod Autoscaling and Node Pools
(https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TDuBmjZqpPQ)

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- Create and use Deployments.
- Create and run Jobs.
- Use Helm Charts.
- Scale clusters manually and automatically.

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Kubernetes offers storage abstraction options

Volumes

Are a directory which is accessible to all of the containers in a Pod.

Some Volumes are ephemeral.

Some Volumes are persistent.

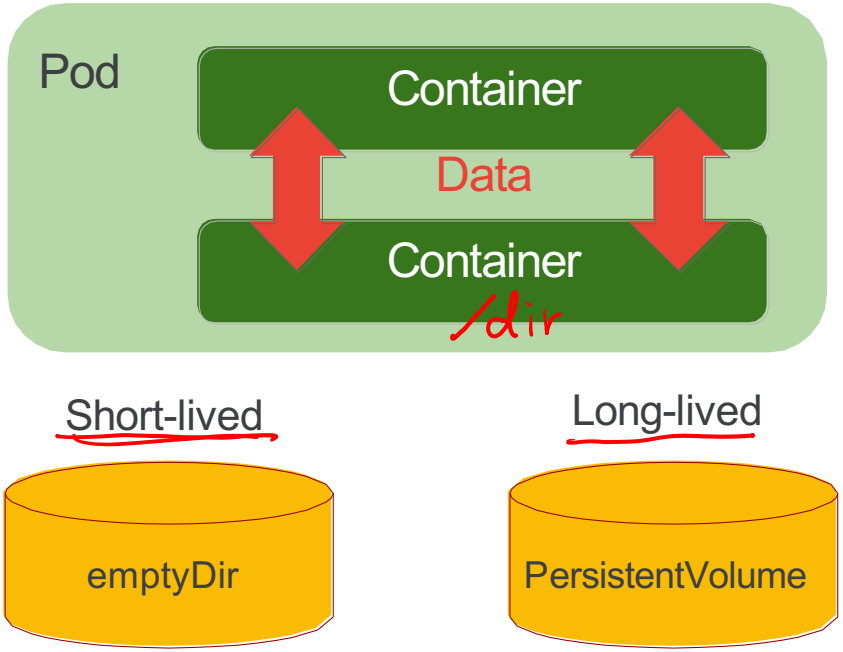
Persistent Volumes

Manage durable storage in a cluster.

Are independent of the Pod's lifecycle.

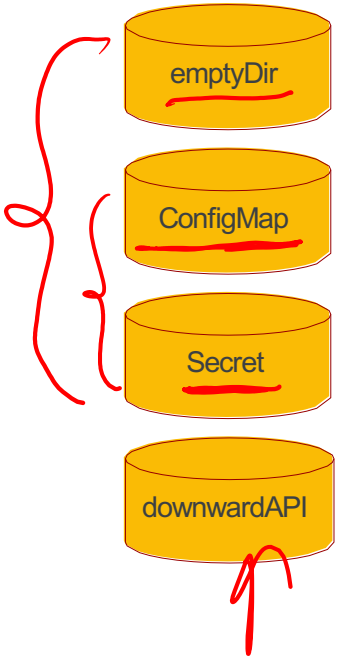
Provisioned dynamically through PersistentVolumeClaims or explicitly created by a cluster admin.

Volumes allow containers within a Pod to share data



Volume specifications

Ephemeral volume types



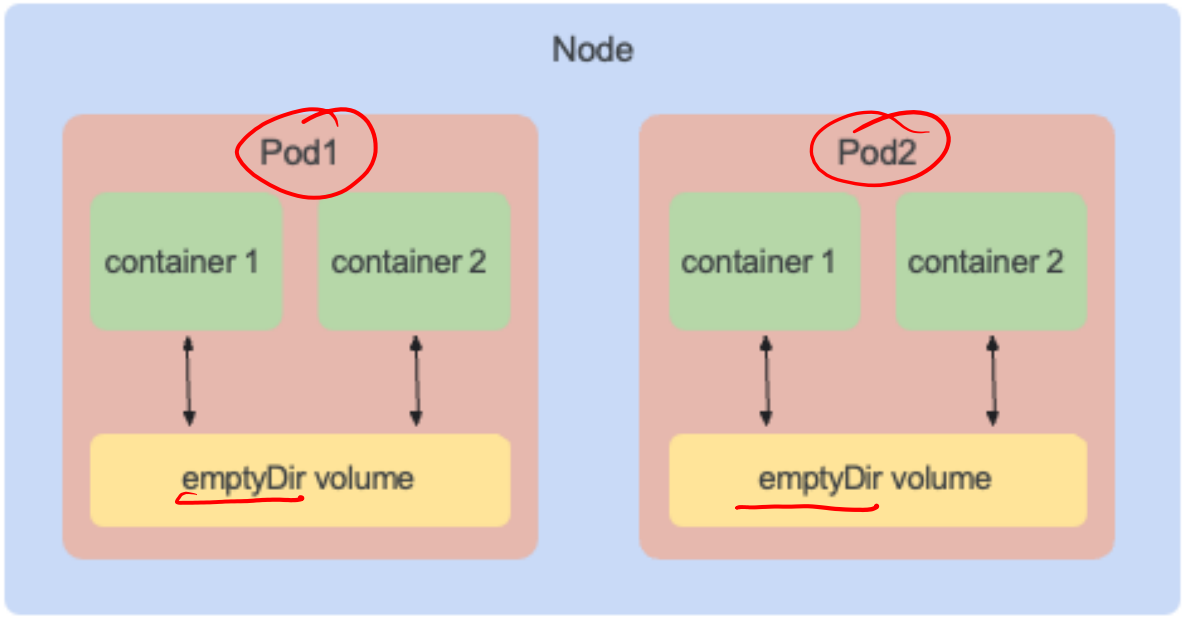
Ephemeral: shares Pod's lifecycle.

Object can be referenced in a volume.

Stores sensitive info, such as passwords.

Makes data about Pods data available to containers.

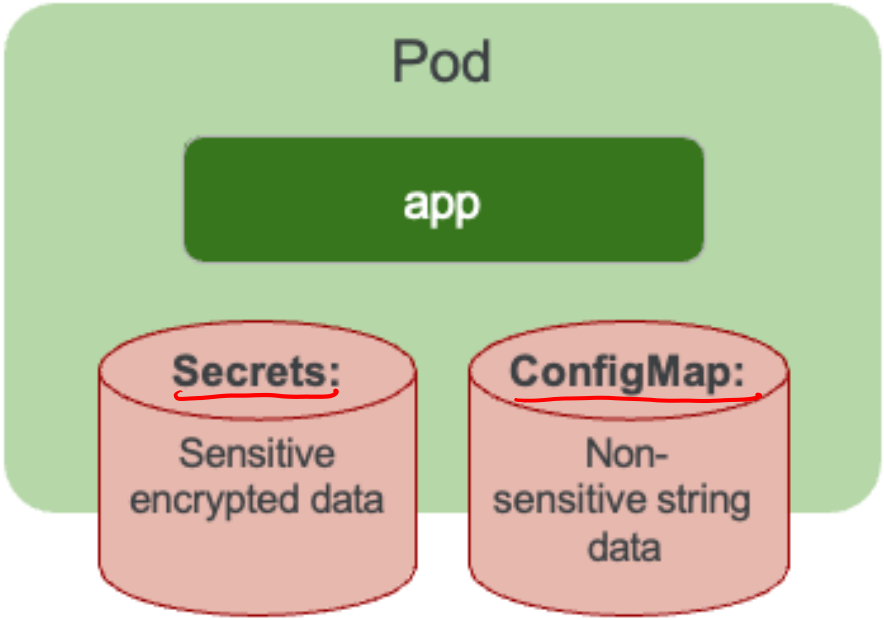
emptyDir volume:
created when a Pod is assigned to a node



Creating a Pod with an emptyDir volume

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: Pod
metadata:
  name: web
spec:
  containers:
  - name: web
    image: nginx
    volumeMounts:
    - mountPath: /cache
      name: cache-volume
  volumes:
  - name: cache-volume
    emptyDir: {}
```

Secret and ConfigMap Volumes are ephemeral



Lab: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BhC_-qqRdRk

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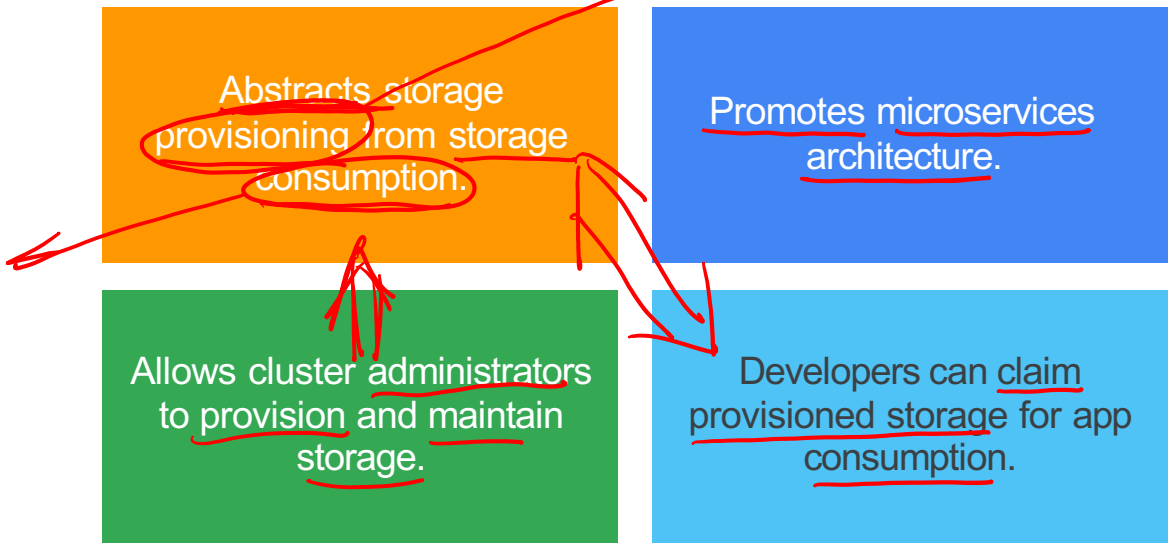
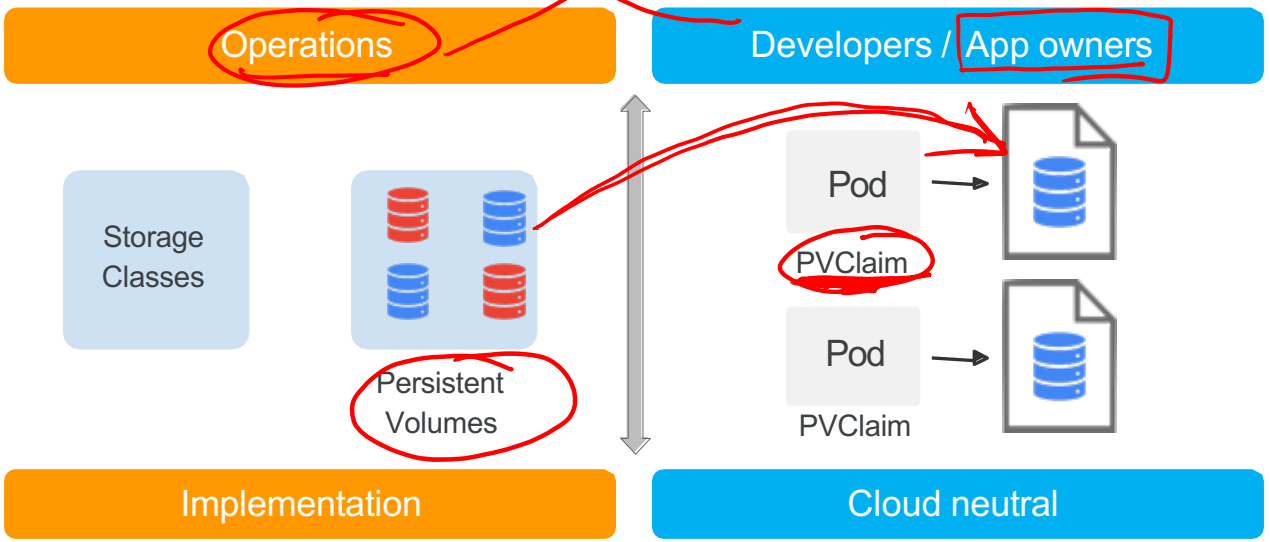
The benefits of PersistentVolumes

PV



Consumer Admin

PersistentVolumeClaims and PersistentVolumes
separate storage consumption from provisioning



Creating a Compute Engine persistent disk using a gcloud command

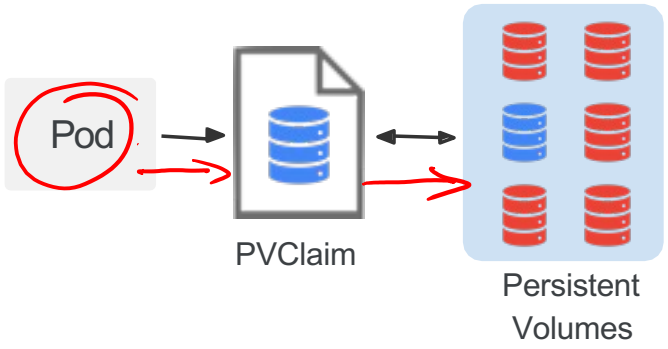
```
$ gcloud compute disks create
--size=100GB
--zone=us-central1-a demo-disk
```

PersistentVolumes abstraction has two components

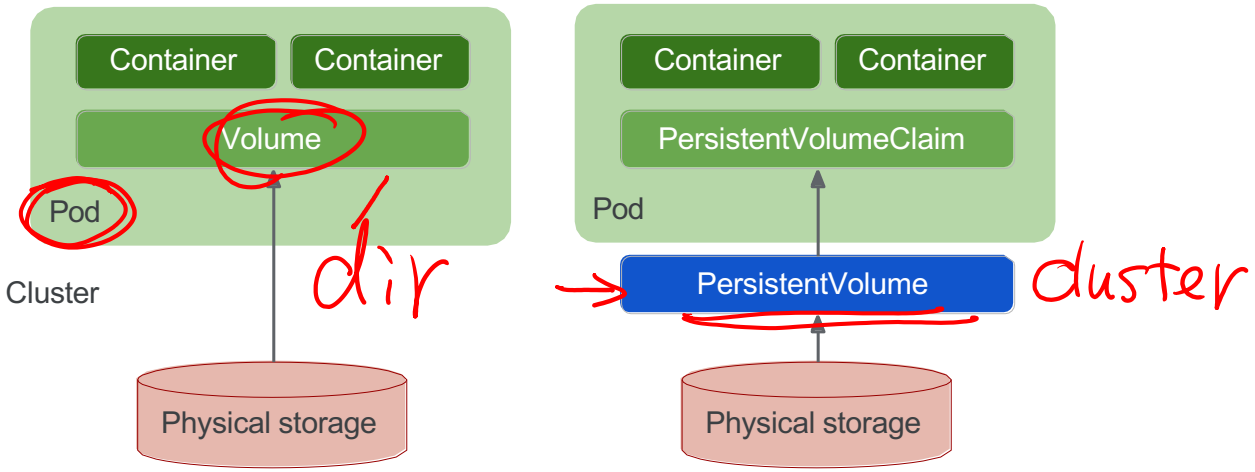
PersistentVolume (PV)

- Independent of a Pod's lifecycle.
- Managed by Kubernetes.
- Manually or dynamically provisioned.
- Persistent Disks are used by GKE as PersistentVolumes.

PersistentVolumeClaim (PVC)



PersistentVolumes must be claimed



The AccessModes you specify determine how this Volume can be read from or written to

```
apiVersion:  v1
kind:  PersistentVolume
metadata:
    name: pd-volume
spec:
    storageClassName: "standard"
    capacity:
        storage:  100G
    accessModes:
    - ReadWriteOnce
    gcePersistentDisk:
        pdName:  demo-disk
        fsType:  ext4
```

```
apiVersion:  v1
kind:  PersistentVolume
metadata:
    name: pd-volume
spec:
    storageClassName: "standard"
    capacity:
        storage:  100G
    accessModes:
    - ReadOnlyMany
    gcePersistentDisk:
        pdName:  demo-disk
        fsType:  ext4
```

```
apiVersion:  v1
kind:  PersistentVolume
metadata:
    name: pd-volume
spec:
    storageClassName: "nfs"
    capacity:
        storage:  100G
    accessModes:
    - ReadWriteMany
  nfs:
    path:  /tmp
    server:  172.17.0.2
```

node

node

node

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PV & GKE

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You can create a Persistent Volume from a YAML manifest

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: PersistentVolume
metadata:
  name: pd-volume
spec:
  storageClassName: "standard"
  capacity:
    storage: 100G
  accessModes:
  - ReadWriteOnce:
  gcePersistentDisk:
    pdName: demo-disk
    fsType: ext4
```

The modern, easier-to-manage way is to use the PersistentVolume abstraction

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: Pod
metadata:
  name: demo-pod
spec:
  containers:
  - name: demo-container
    image: gcr.io/hello-app:1.0
    volumeMounts:
    - mountPath: /demo-pod
    name: pd-volume
  volumes:
  - name: pd-volume
    PersistentVolumeClaim:
      claimName: pd-volume-claim
```

The PersistentVolume can be retained when the PersistentVolumeClaim is deleted

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: PersistentVolumeClaim
metadata:
  name: pd-volume-claim
spec:
  storageClassName: "standard"
  accessModes:
  - ReadWriteOnce:
  resources:
    requests:
      storage: 100G
  persistentVolumeReclaimPolicy: Retain
```

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Understand and work with Kubernetes storage abstractions.

Use ConfigMaps to decouple configuration from Pods.

Manage and store sensitive authorization and authentication data.