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# Network independent ACLs

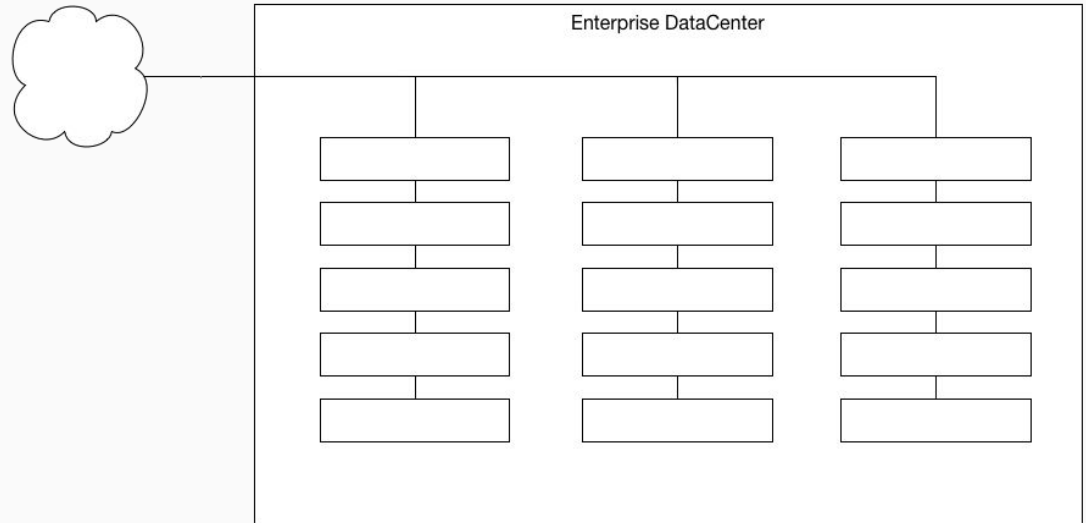
Why Security shouldn't always  
be tied to your network

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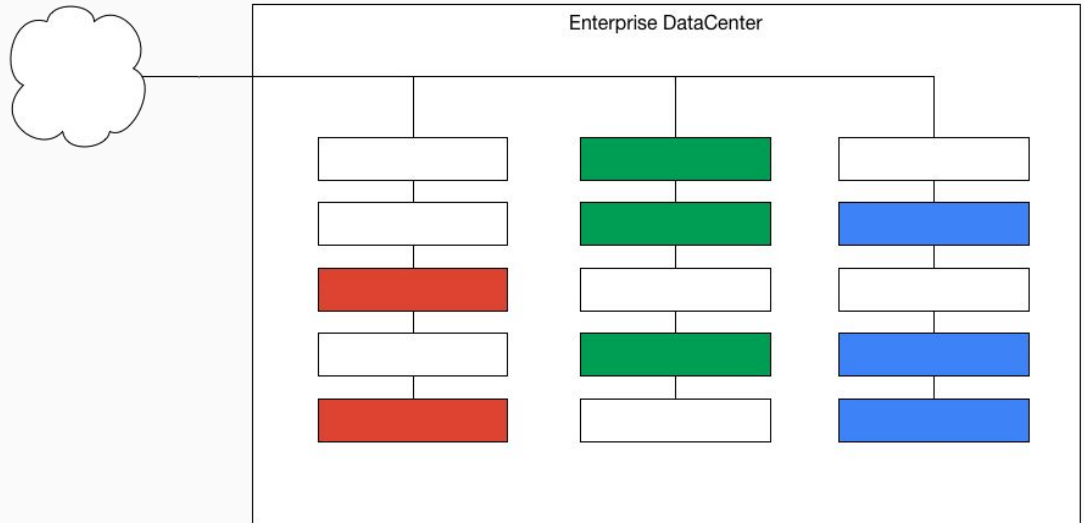
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Once upon a time...



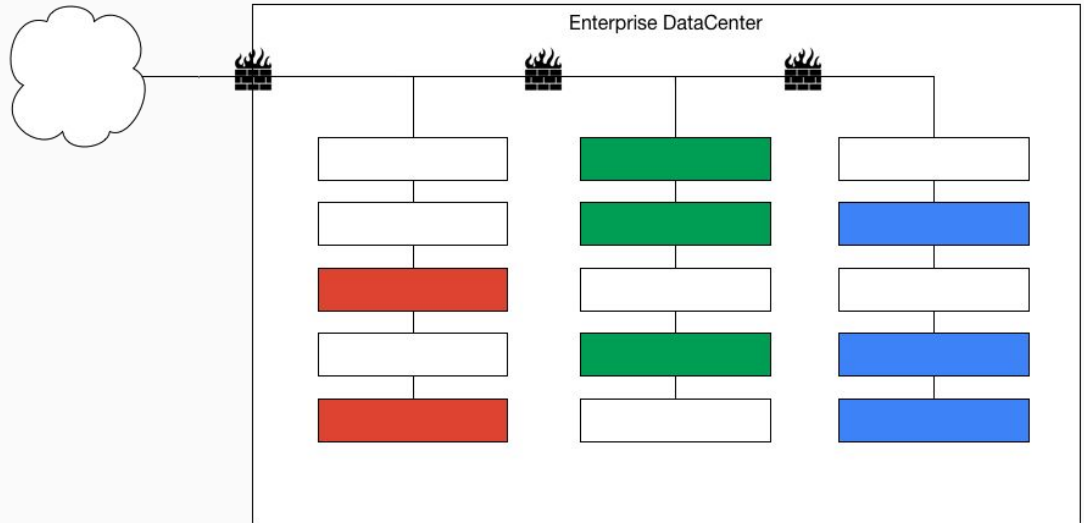
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Security levels



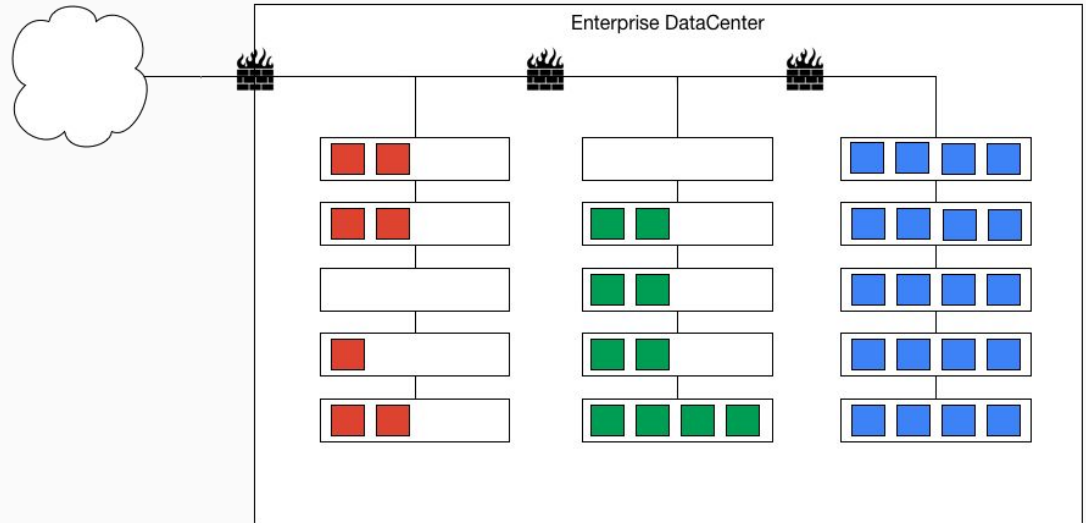
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Perimeter security



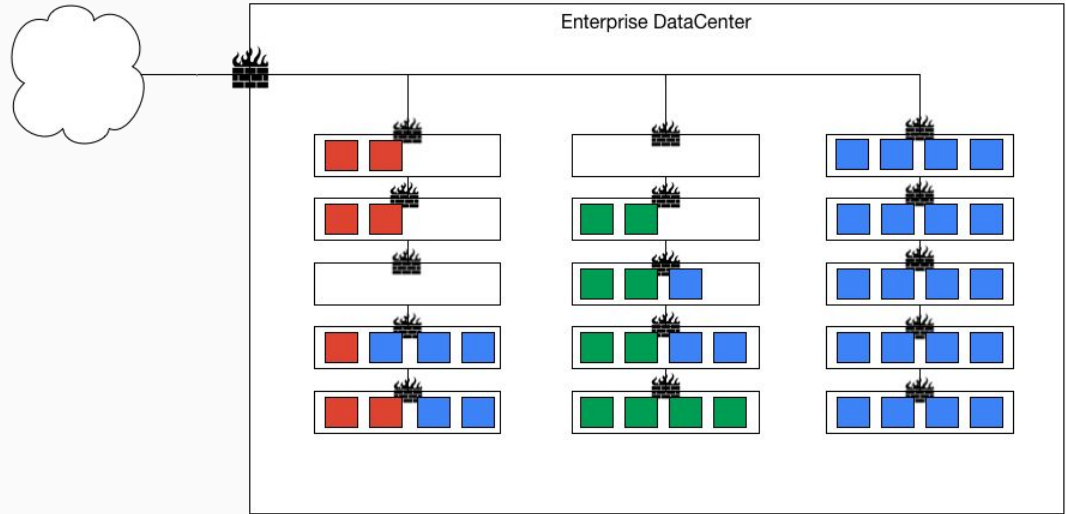
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Micro-Services



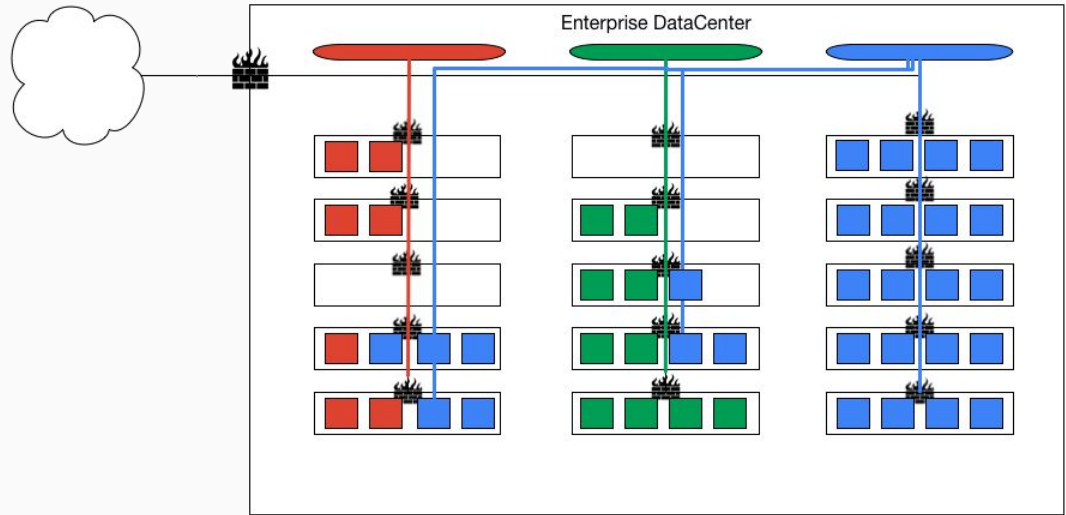
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Distributed firewalls



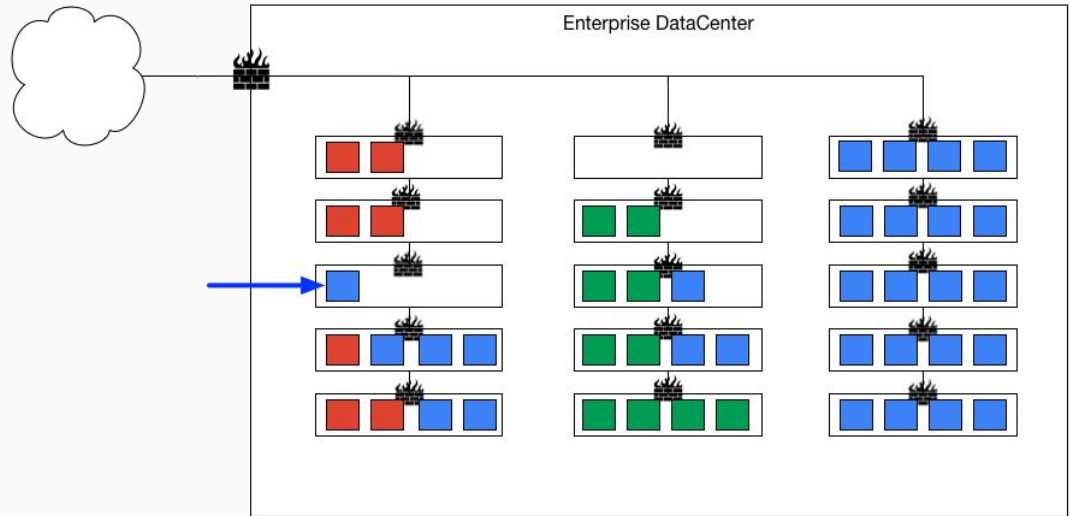
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## SDN and VPN solutions



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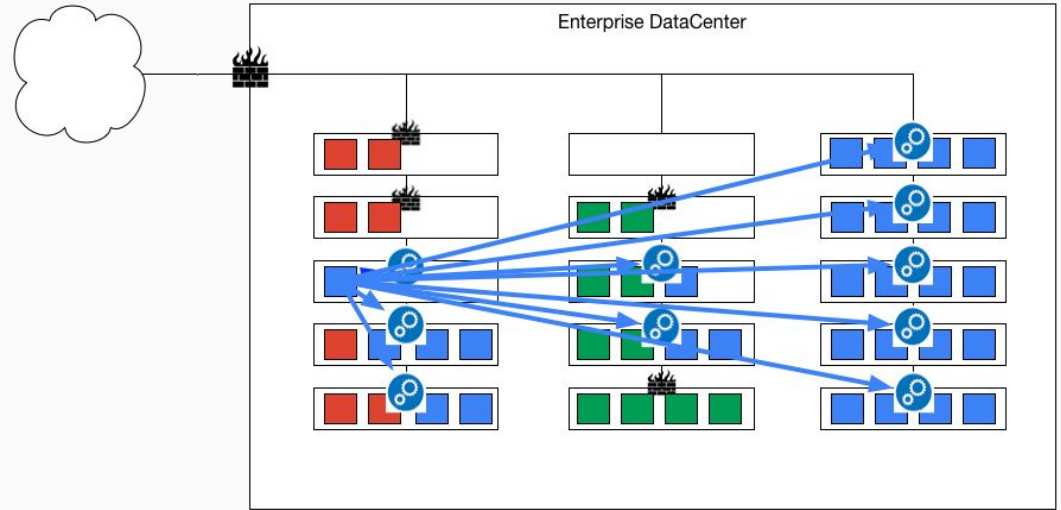
Provisioning assets





Once upon a time...

Exponential  
Complexity



Network

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Network security

# Zero Trust Networking

# Network is insecure by default



Threat model: inside network as insecure as outside network

# Network primitives are irrelevant

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IP and Port numbers do not carry any information

# Flows need to be authorized



Every connection results from a successful authorization/authentication

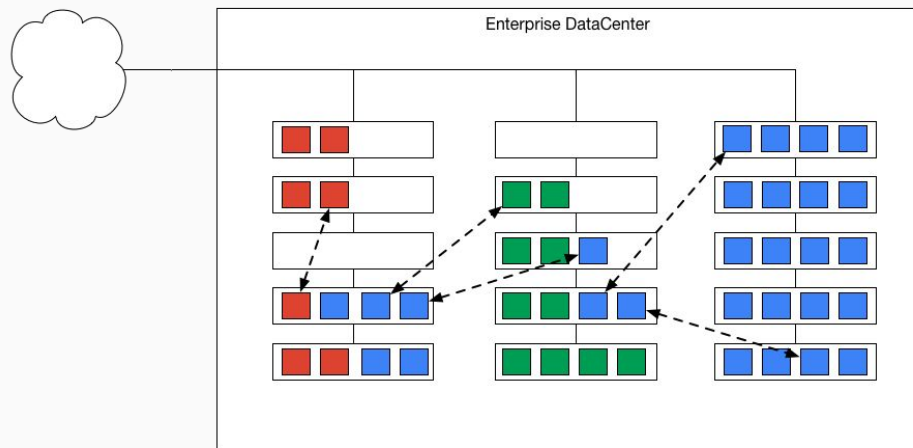
# Declarative policy language

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High-level language to automate policy creation/deployment  
(Yet Another Policy Language)

# Zero Trust Networking

- Context and Identity used for flow authentication
- Network identity  $\neq$  Endpoint identity
- Secure by default
- Keep the network **simple**





# Kubernetes

Zero-Trust networking in  
Kubernetes

# Kubernetes Networking (reachability)

- Based on CNI
- Built-in (GKE, ...) or plugin based
- IP doesn't carry any information

# Kubernetes objects

- Associated Identity

- Name
- Namespace
- Labels

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: Pod
metadata:
  name: external
  namespace: demo
  labels:
    role: external
    app: nginx
spec:
  [...]
```

# Kubernetes network policies

- White list model
- No default implementation
- Ingress only

```
apiVersion: extensions/v1beta1
kind: NetworkPolicy
metadata:
  name: backend-policy
  namespace: demo
Spec:
  [...]
```

# Kubernetes network policies

- Explicit activation per **namespace**
- Annotation for activation

```
kind: Namespace
metadata:
  name: demo
  Annotations:
    net.beta.kubernetes.io
    /network-policy: |
      {
        "ingress": {
          "isolation": "DefaultDeny"
        }
      }
```

# Kubernetes network policies

- Rules apply to specific Pods
- Pods selected based on labels

role=backend

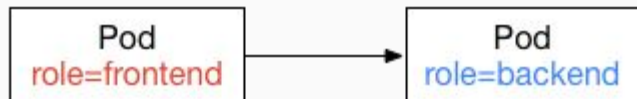


```
apiVersion: extensions/v1beta1
kind: NetworkPolicy
spec:
  podSelector:
    matchLabels:
      role: backend
  ingress:
    - from:
      - podSelector:
          matchLabels:
            role: frontend
```

# Kubernetes network policies

- Rule defines Pods allowed to **send traffic**
- Allowed traffic selected based on labels

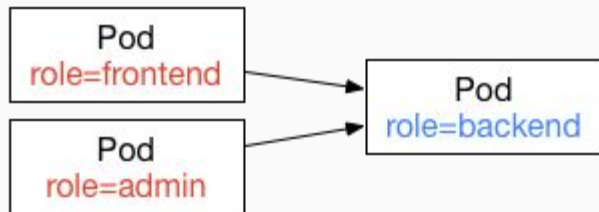
`role=frontend`



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# Kubernetes network policies

- Rules are additive
- Each rule allows additional traffic



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apiVersion: extensions/v1beta1
kind: NetworkPolicy
spec:
  podSelector:
    matchLabels:
      role: backend
  ingress:
    - from:
      - podSelector:
          matchLabels:
            role: admin
```



# Implementations

Tied to networking backend  
Because Policing is based on IPs

# Trireme

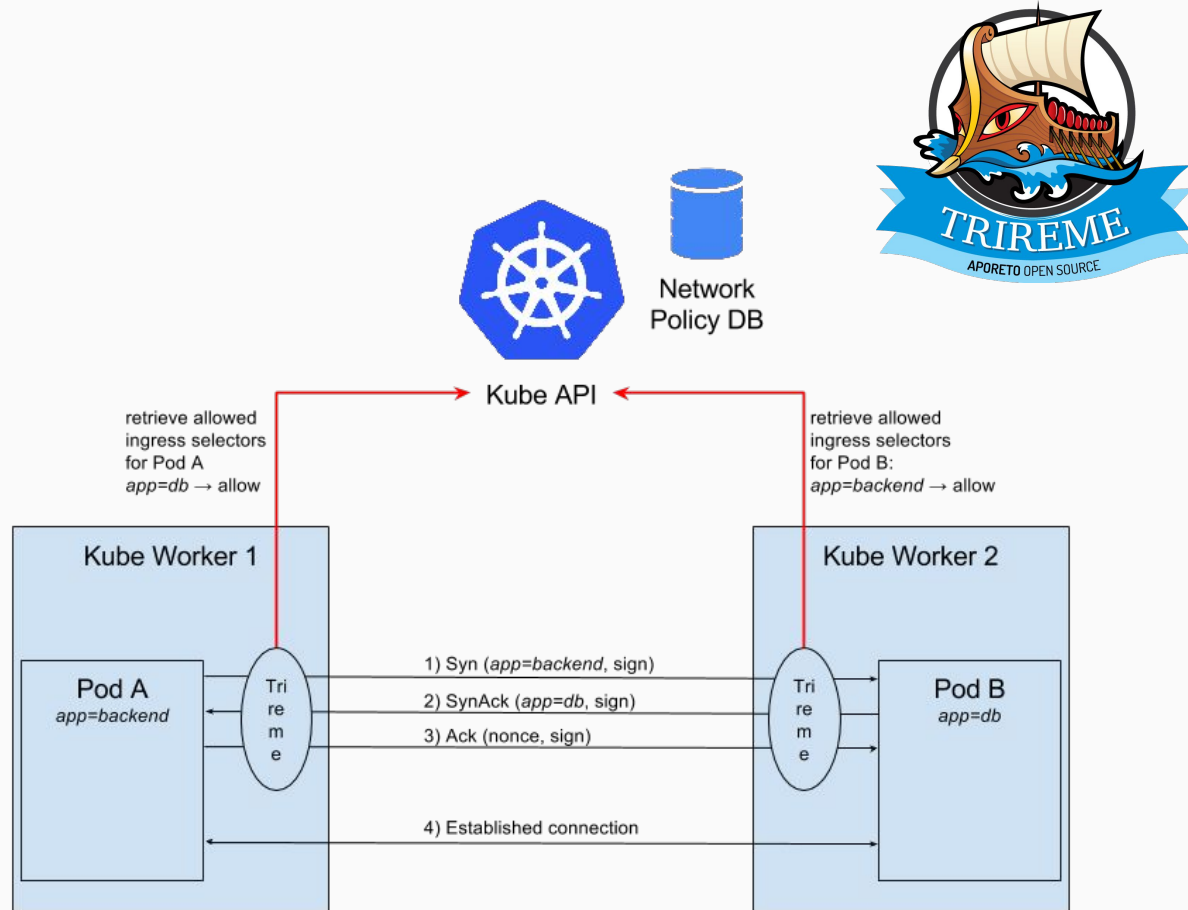
<https://github.com/aporeto-inc/trireme-kubernetes>



- Identity is the pod label
- **IP** irrelevant. Network independent
- Compatible with any Networking backend

# E2E authentication

- Identity added on TCP flows handshake
- Identity signed

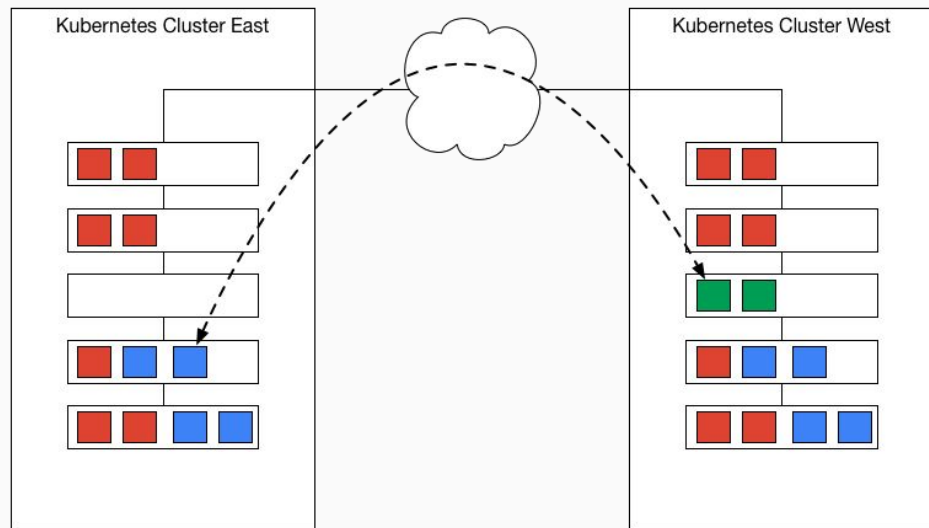


“Demo Time”



# Cluster federation

With Zero-Trust Networking



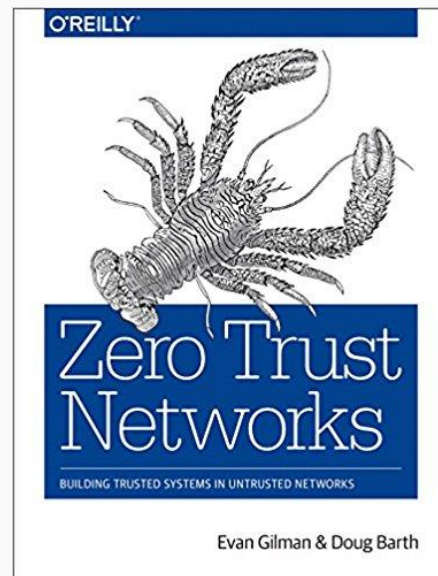
Network reachability

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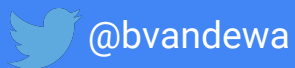
Network security

# More about zero-trust

- Encryption
- Visibility
- Auditing



# Thanks!



Trireme on Github:

<https://github.com/aporeto-inc/trireme-kubernetes>

Demo code and slides:

<https://github.com/bvandewalle/kubecon-zerotrust>

