

# Designing Cloud Native Applications with Kubernetes

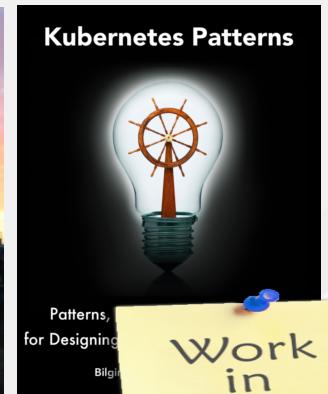
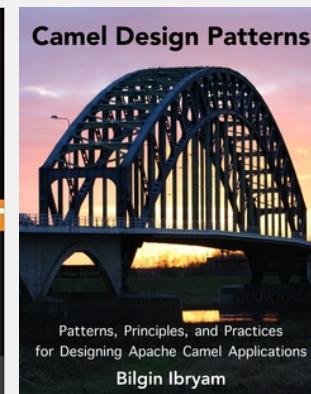
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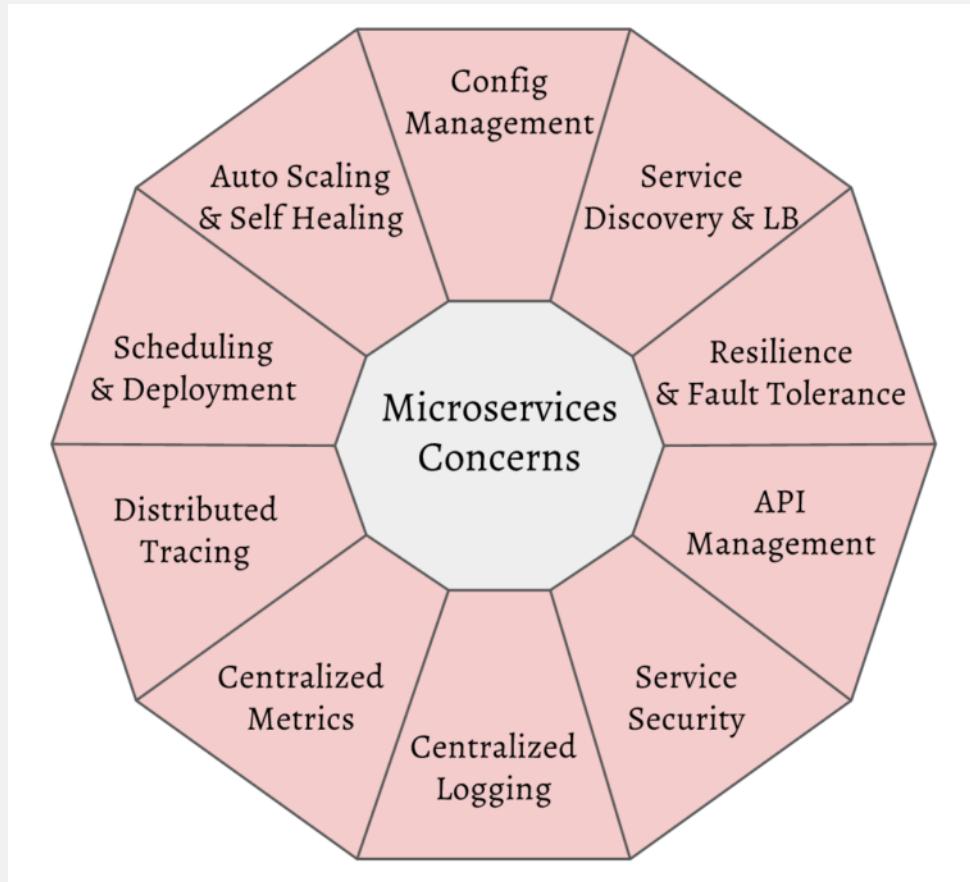
Work  
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progress!

# Agenda

- Cloud Native Ecosystems
- Kubernetes Abstractions & Primitives
- Container Design Principles
- Kubernetes Design Patterns
- Benefits of using Kubernetes

# Microservices Architecture

...trades code complexity for operational complexity



# Cloud Native Reach



# A Good Definition

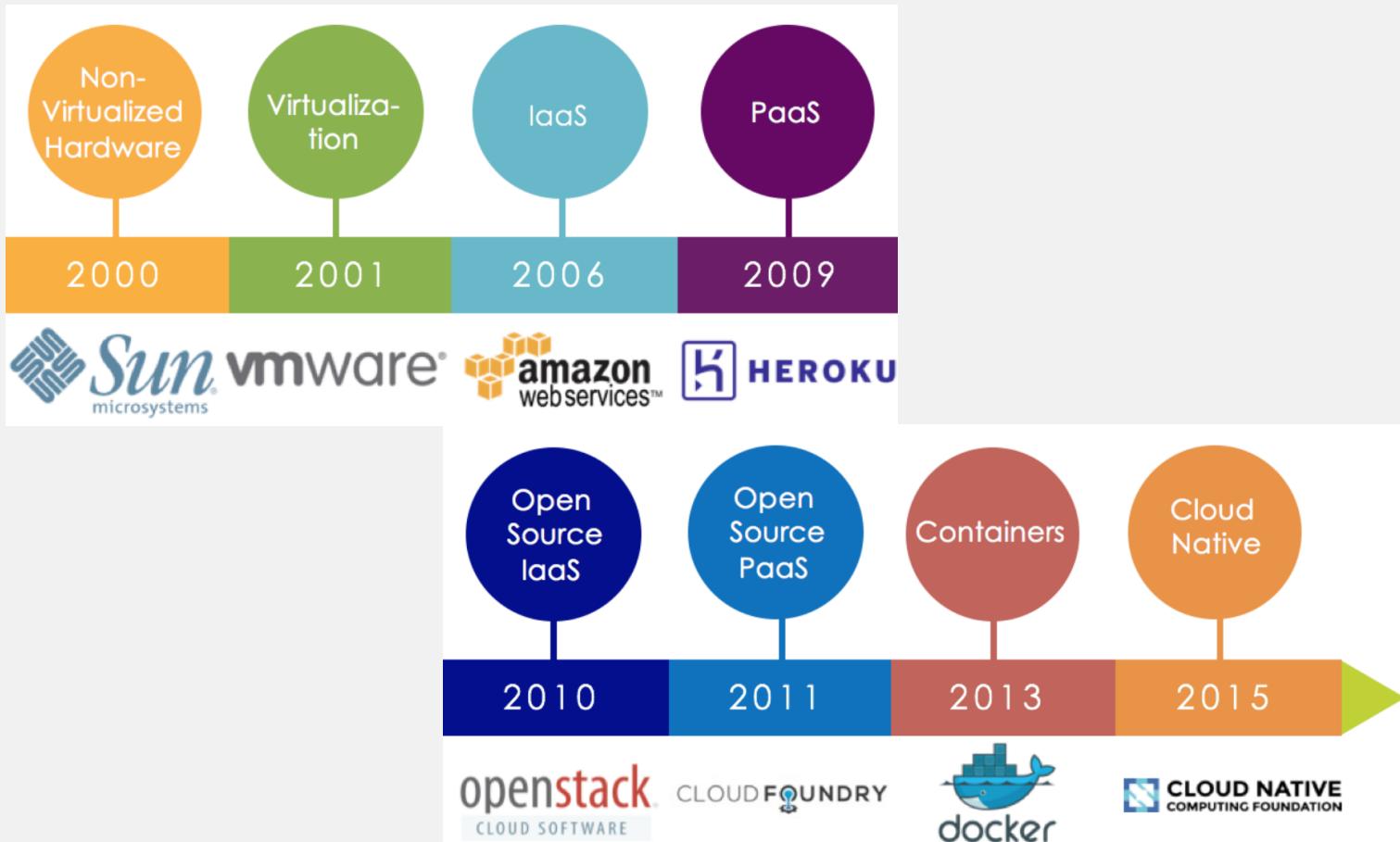
Cloud Native is structuring **teams, culture** and **technology** to utilize **automation** and **architectures** to manage **complexity** and unlock **velocity**.

Joe Beda, Heptio

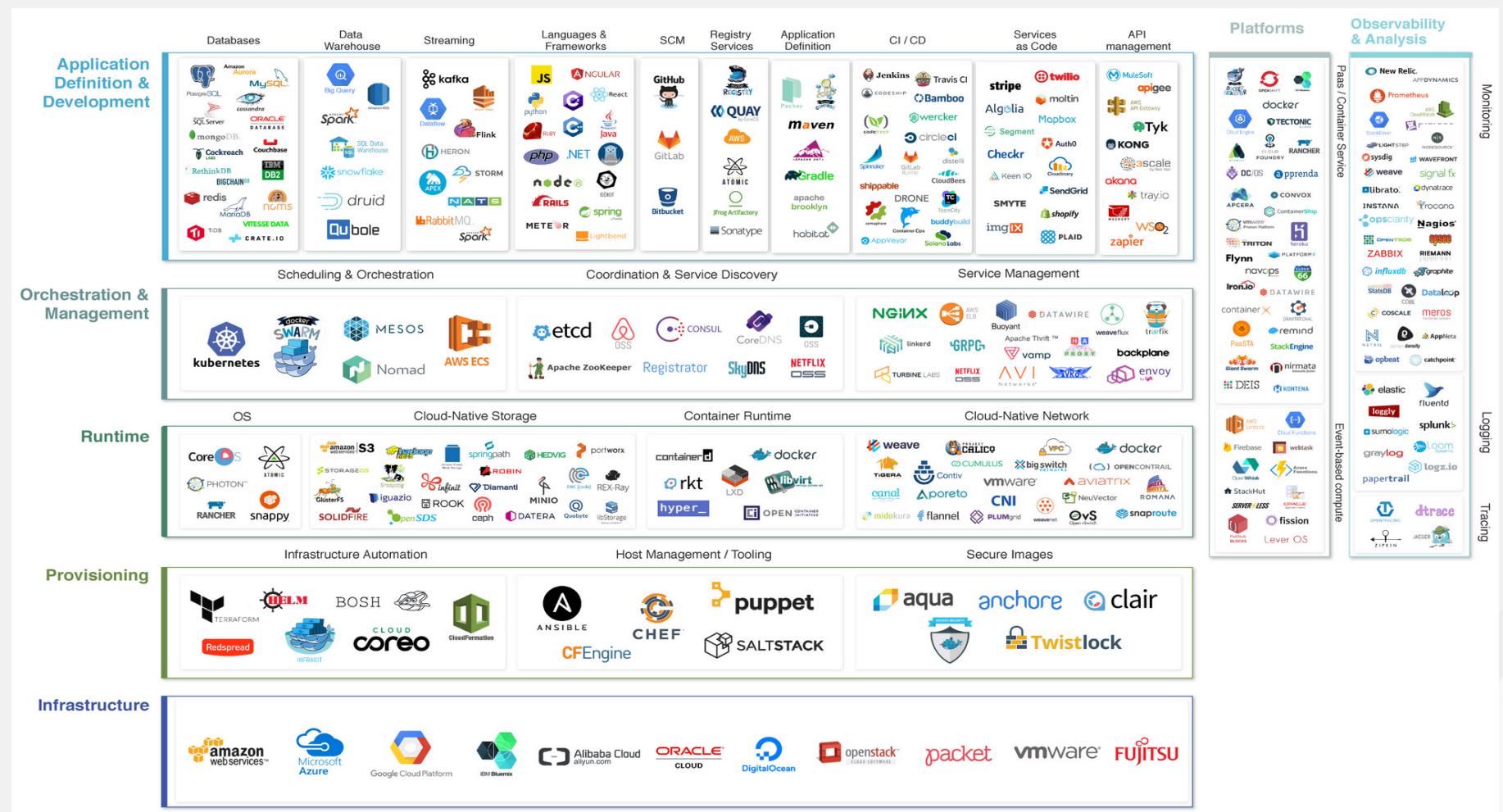
# Common Characteristics

**Applications** adopting the principles of  
**Microservices** packaged as  
**Containers** orchestrated by  
**Platforms** running on top of  
**Cloud infrastructure**,  
developed using practices such as  
**Continuous Delivery** and **DevOps**.

# Brief Cloud (Native) History



# Cloud Native Landscape



# Cloud Native Ecosystems



kubernetes



OPENSIFT



AWS ECS



MESOS



Nomad



KONTENA



RANCHER



CLOUD FOUNDRY



NETFLIX | OSS

# Ecosystem Concerns

- Governance model
- Supporting organizations
- User community
- Culture, ways of working
- Technology (maturity \* potential)
- Complementary tools
- Documentation, conferences, books
- Coolness factor and developer happiness

# CNCF Members

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## SILVER MEMBERS



## GOLD MEMBERS



## ACADEMIC/NON-PROFIT



## END USER MEMBERS



## END USER SUPPORTERS



# CNCF Projects



**CoreDNS**

Service Discovery



**Prometheus**

Monitoring



**OpenTracing**

Tracing



**CNI**

Networking



**gRPC**

Remote Procedure Call



**containerd**

Container Runtime



**Linkerd**

Service Mesh



**Kubernetes**

Orchestration



**rkt**

Container Runtime



**Fluentd**

Logging

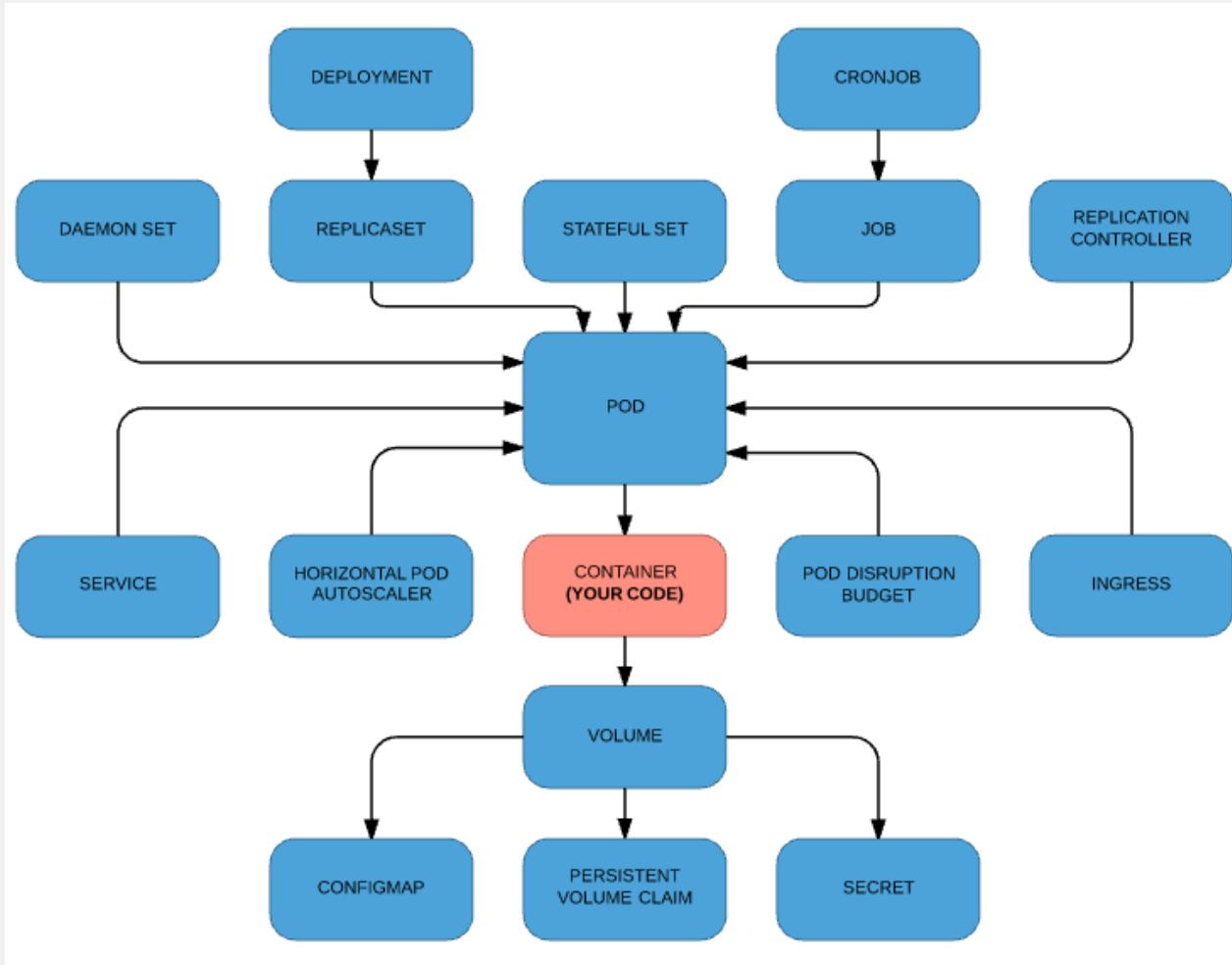
# Potential Future Projects

- **Tracing:** OpenTracing
- **Messaging:** NATS
- **Stream Processing:** Heron
- **Networking:** Flannel, Calico, Weave
- **Configuration:** etcd
- **Database:** CockroachDB
- **Storage:** Minio

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# A Kubernetes Microservice



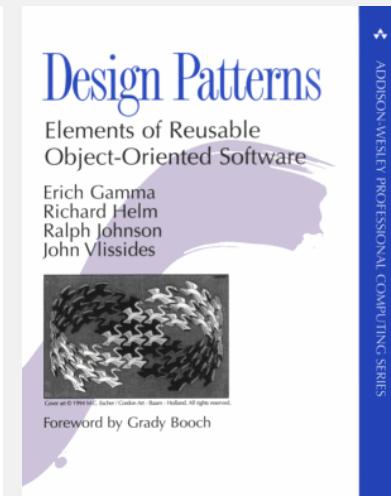
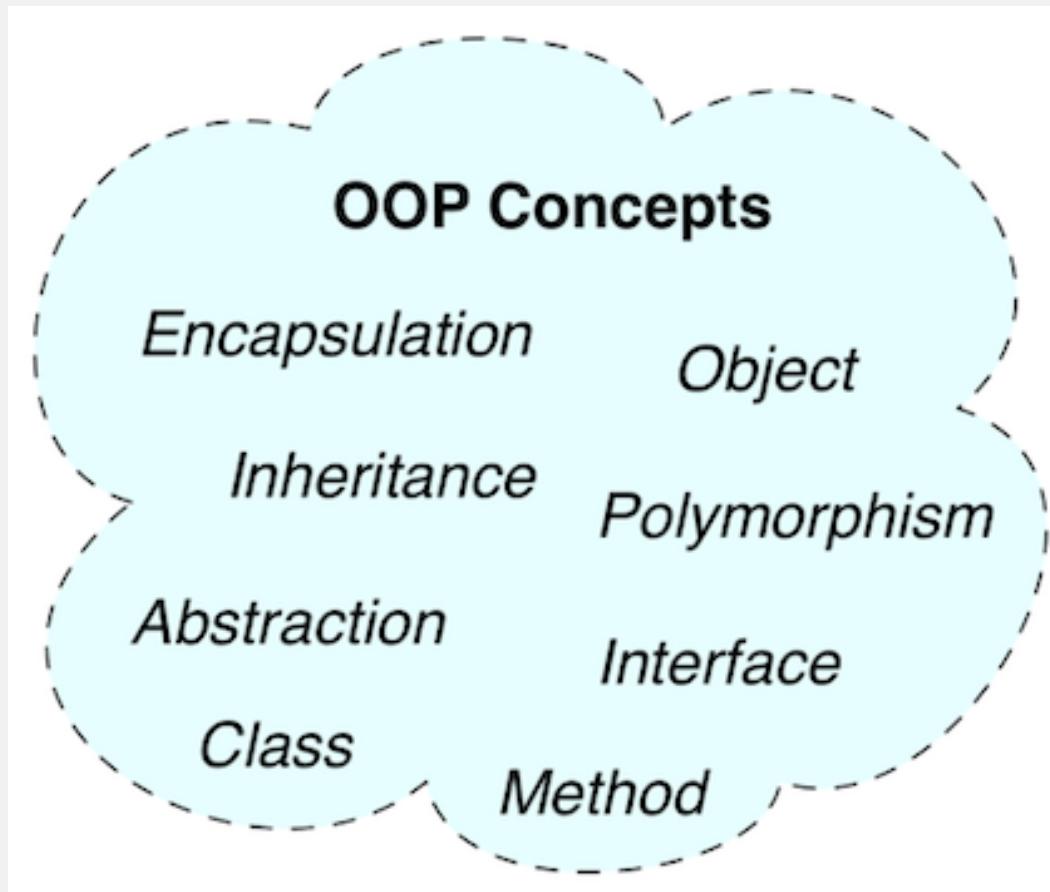
# Common Capabilities

Application Orchestration	CloudFoundry, Heroku, OpenShift, Deis
Container Orchestration	Kubernetes, Marathon, Swarm, Fleet, Lattice, ECS
Job Scheduling	Chronos, Kubernetes
Containerization	Docker, Rkt, Garden, Mesos

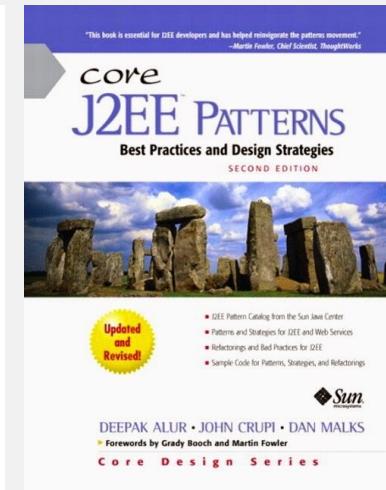
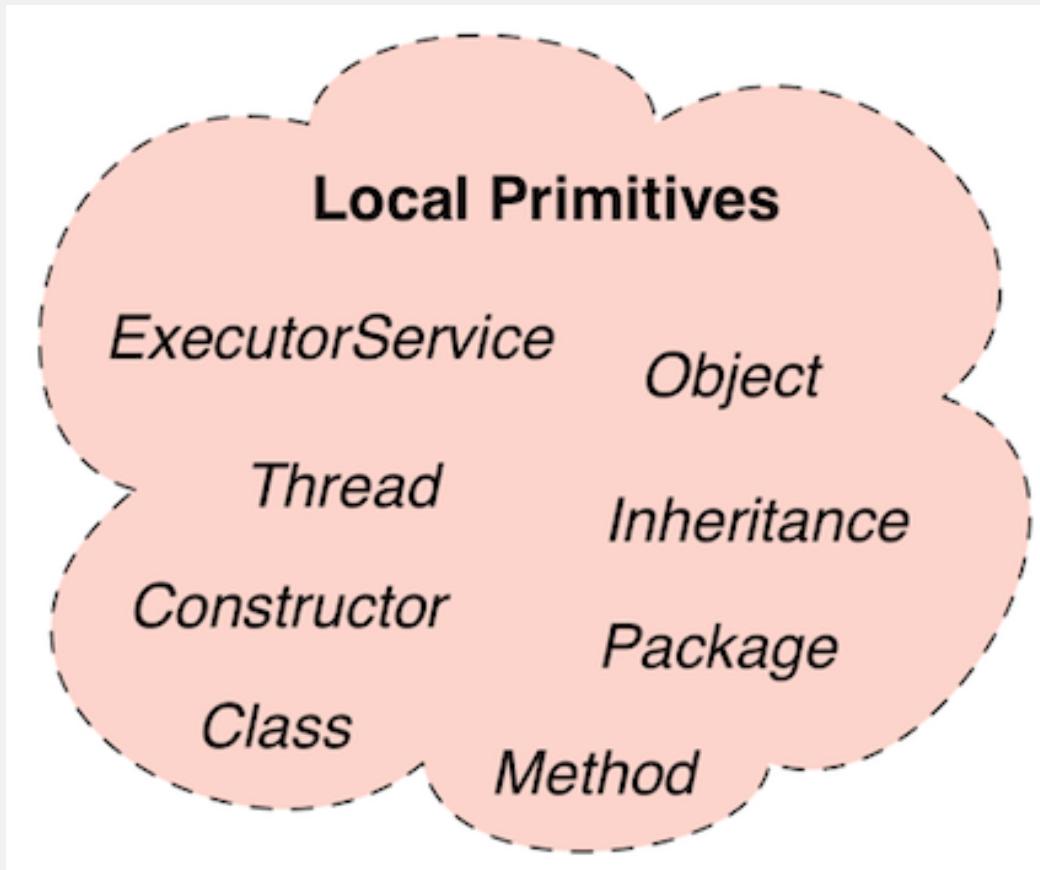
# Common Abstractions & Primitives

- Application packaging (**Container**)
- Deployment unit (**Pod**)
- Recurring execution (**CronJob**)
- Service discovery & load balancing (**Service**)
- Application placement (**Scheduler**)
- Artifact grouping (**Label**)
- Resources isolation (**Container/Namespace**)

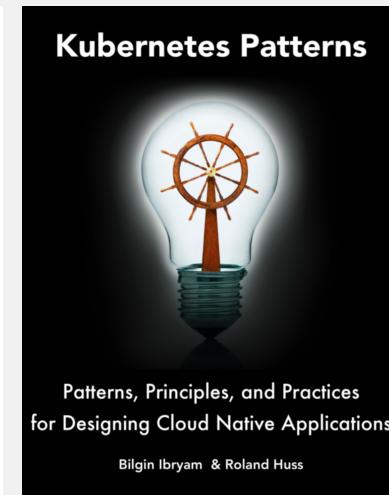
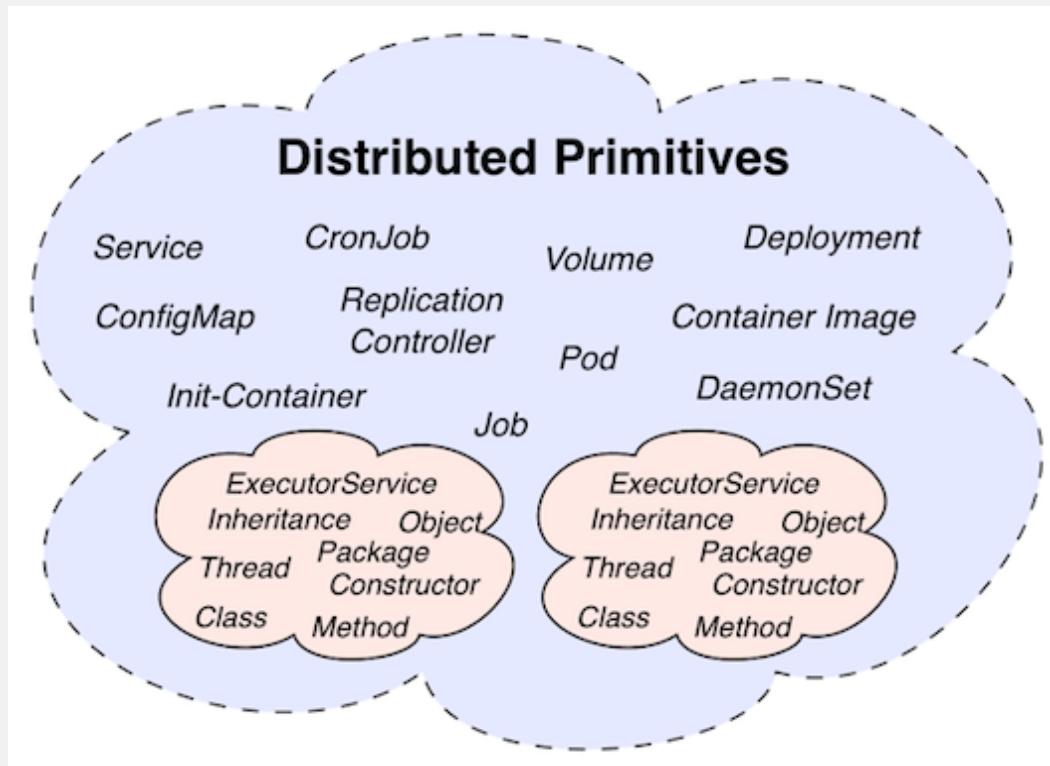
# OOP Abstractions & Primitives



# Java Abstractions & Primitives



# K8S Abstractions & Primitives



# Local & Distributed Primitives

Concept	JVM	Kubernetes
Behaviour encapsulation	Class	Container Image
Behaviour instance	Object	Container
Initialization logic	Constructor	Init-container
Cleanup logic	finalize()/ShutdownHook	Defer-container*
Parallel execution	Thread	Job
Background task	Daemon Thread	DaemonSet
Periodic execution	ExecutorService	CronJob
Buildtime/Runtime isolation	Package/Jigsaw	Namespace
Configuration management	java.util.Properties	ConfigMap
Deployment unit	.jar/.war/.ear	Pod

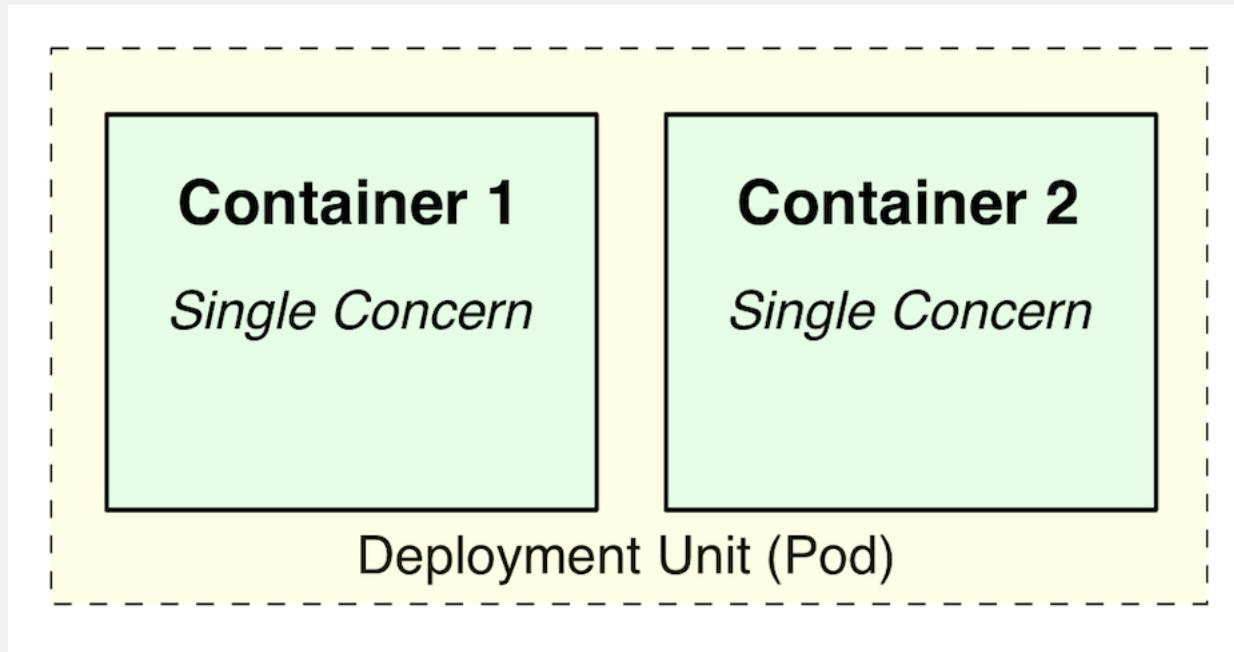
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# (SOLID) Principles of Container Design

- Single Concern Principle (SCP)
- Self-Containment Principle (S-CP)
- Image Immutability Principle (IIP)
- High Observability Principle (HOP)
- Lifecycle Conformance Principle (LCP)
- Process Disposability Principle (PDP)
- Runtime Confinement Principle (RCP)

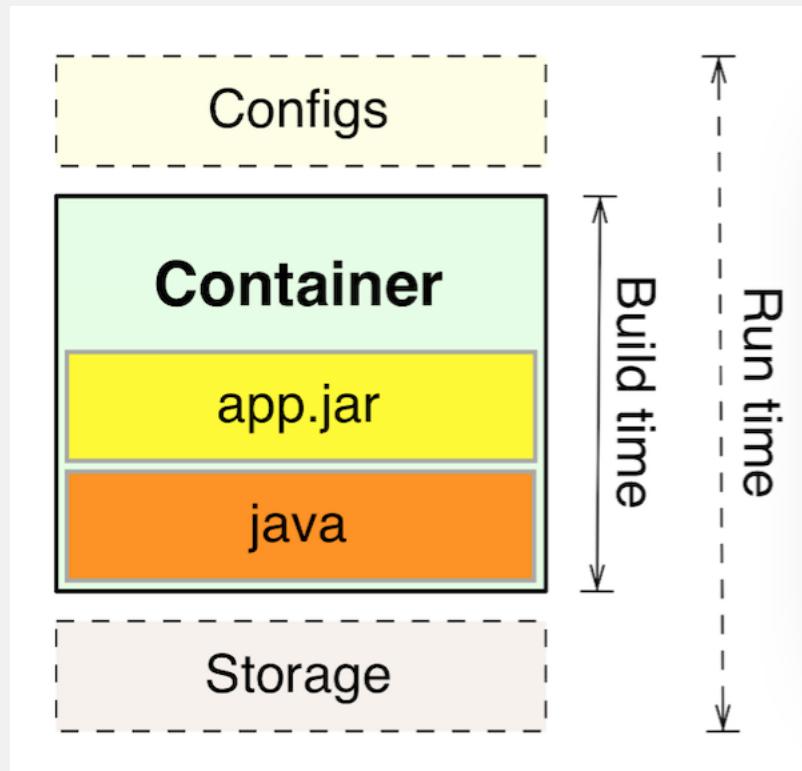
# Single Concern Principle



## Patterns

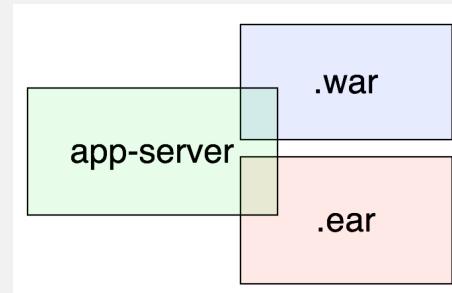
- Sidecar
- Ambassador
- Adapter
- Init-container
- Defer-container

# Self-Containment Principle

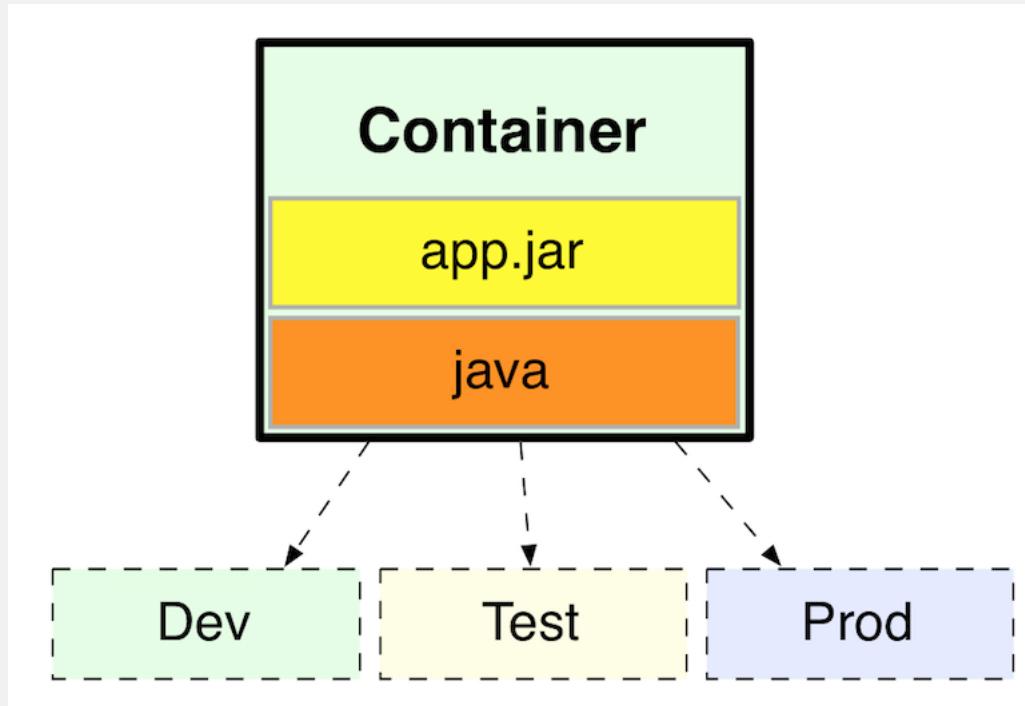


## AntiPattern

- Locomotive

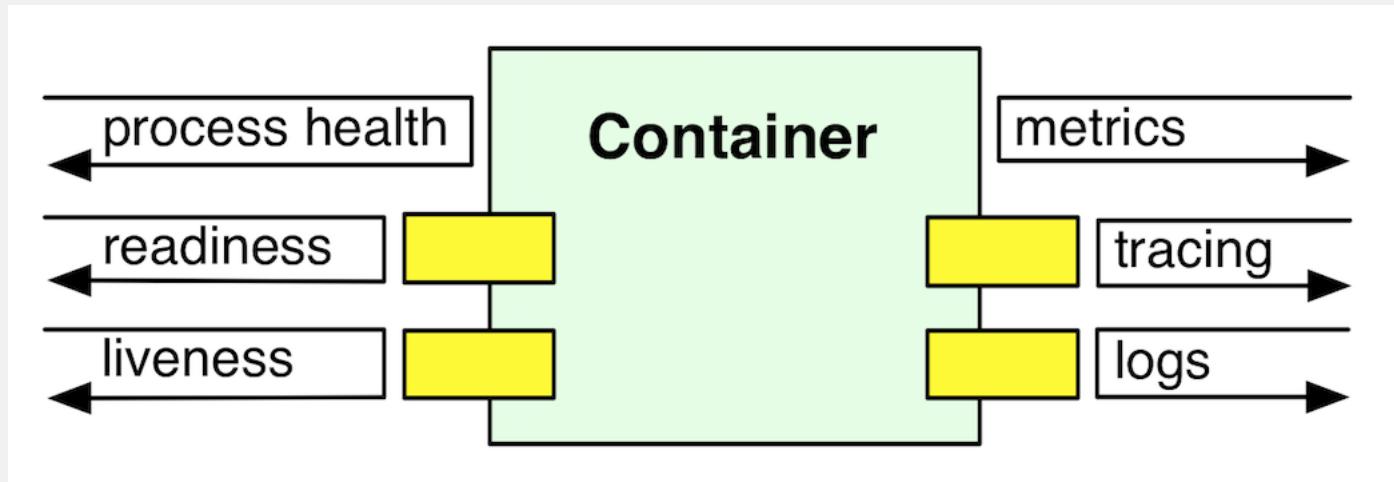


# Image Immutability Principle



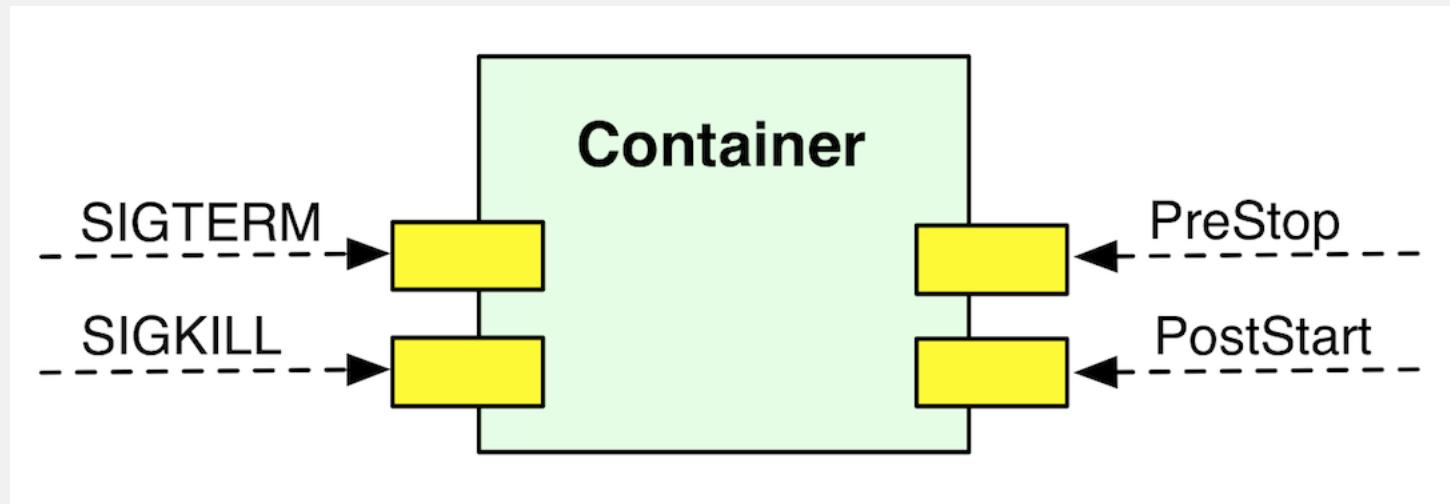
- Dev/prod parity

# High Observability Principle



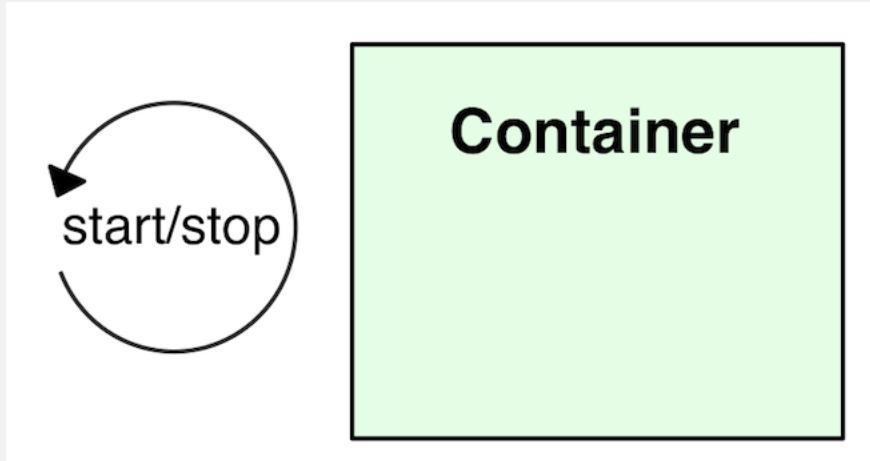
- Spring Boot Actuator
- Dropwizard Metrics
- WildFly Swarm Monitor
- MicroProfile Healthchecks

# Lifecycle Conformance Principle



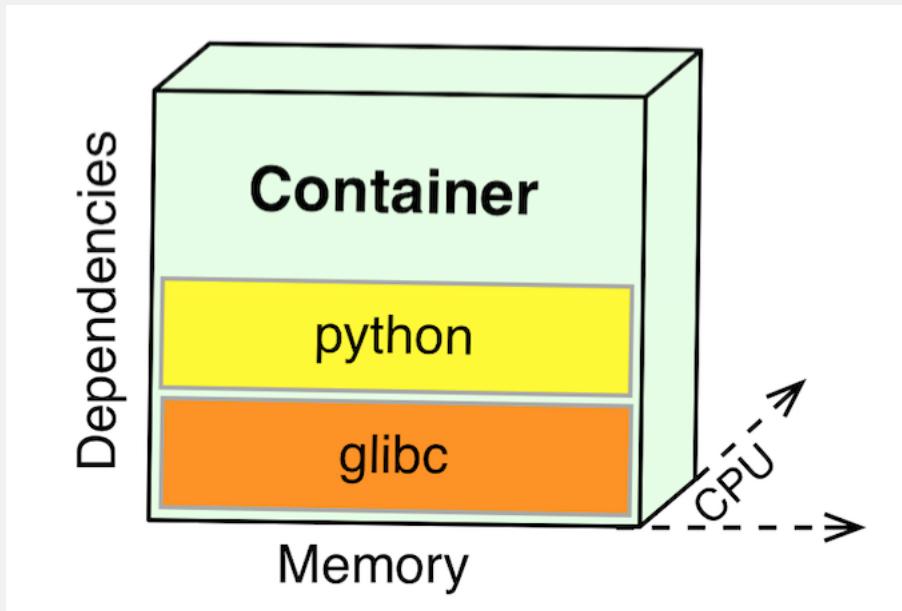
- SIGTERM
- SIGKILL
- PreStop
- PostStart

# Process Disposability Principle



- Fast startup
- Graceful shutdown
- Don't rely on a particular instance
- Be aware of shots at your cattle
- Be robust against sudden death

# Runtime Confinement Principle



- `resources.limits.cpu`
- `resources.limits.memory`
- `resources.requests.cpu`
- `resources.requests.memory`

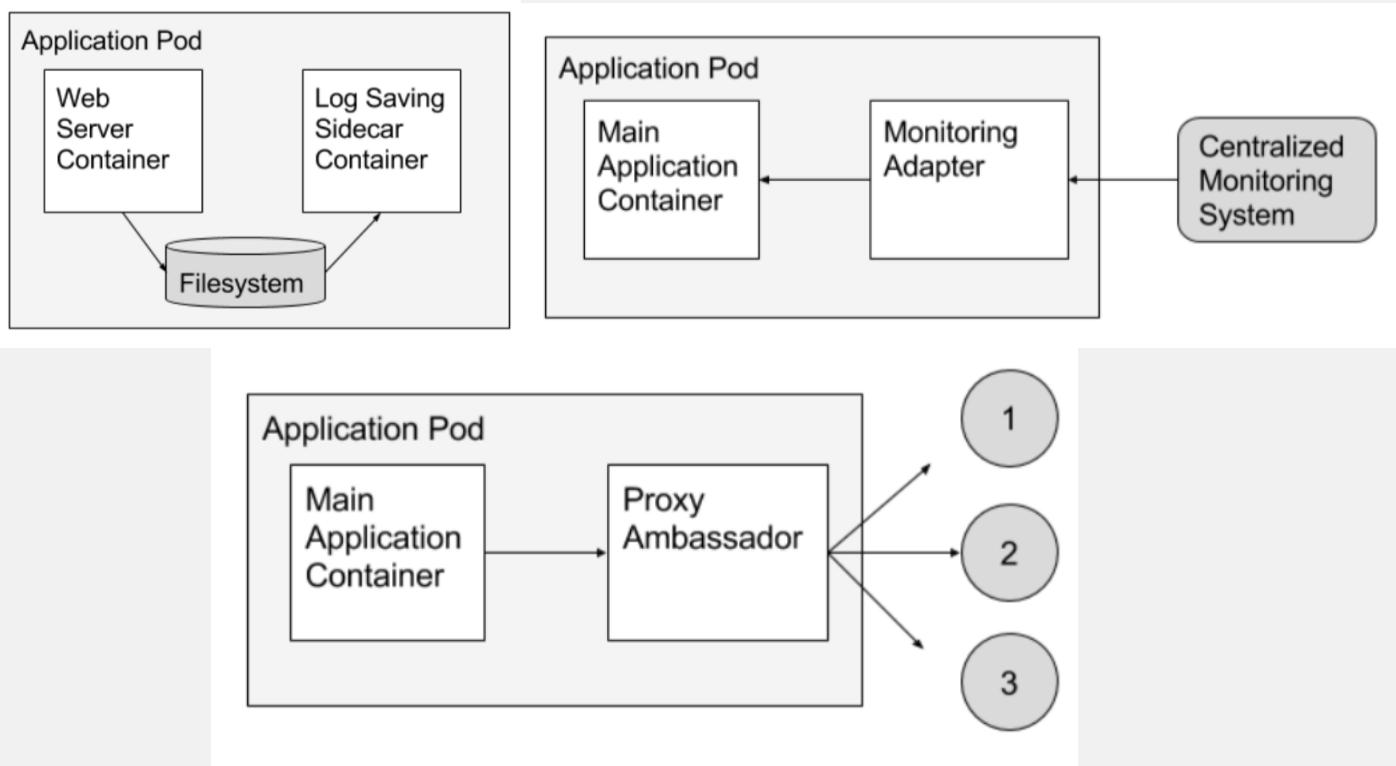
# More Container Best Practices

- Small images <https://www.slideshare.net/luebken/container-patterns>
- Arbitrary user IDs [https://docs.docker.com/engine/userguide/eng-image/dockerfile\\_best-practices](https://docs.docker.com/engine/userguide/eng-image/dockerfile_best-practices)
- Port declarations <http://docs.projectatomic.io/container-best-practices>
- Volume declarations [https://docs.openshift.com/enterprise/3.0/creating\\_images/guidelines.html](https://docs.openshift.com/enterprise/3.0/creating_images/guidelines.html)
- Image metadata <http://blog.arungupta.me/docker-container-anti-patterns/>  
<https://12factor.net/>
- Host and image sync

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# Container Oriented Design Patterns



[https://www.usenix.org/system/files/conference/hotcloud16/hotcloud16\\_burns.pdf](https://www.usenix.org/system/files/conference/hotcloud16/hotcloud16_burns.pdf)

# More Kubernetes Patterns

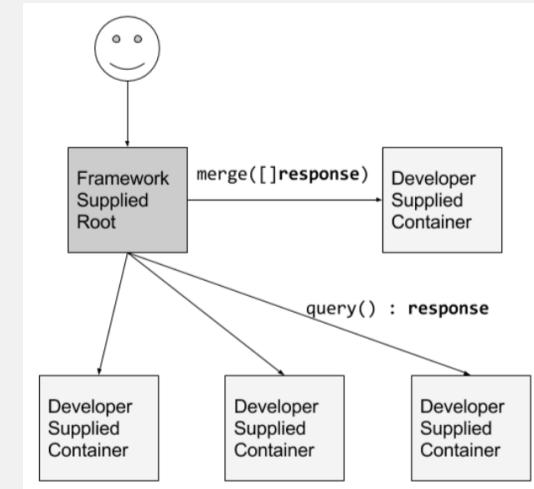
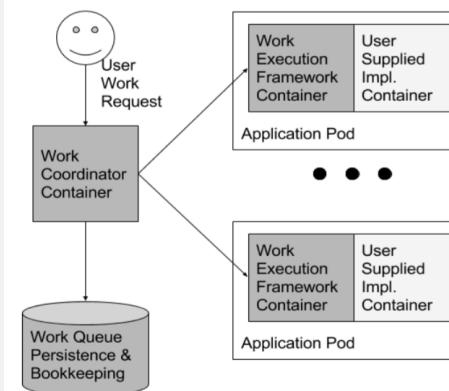
Configuration Management -> **ConfigMaps**

Singleton Services -> **replicas: 1**

Initializers -> **Init Container**

Daemon Services -> **Daemon Sets**

Stateful Services -> **StatefulSet**



<https://leanpub.com/k8spatterns/>

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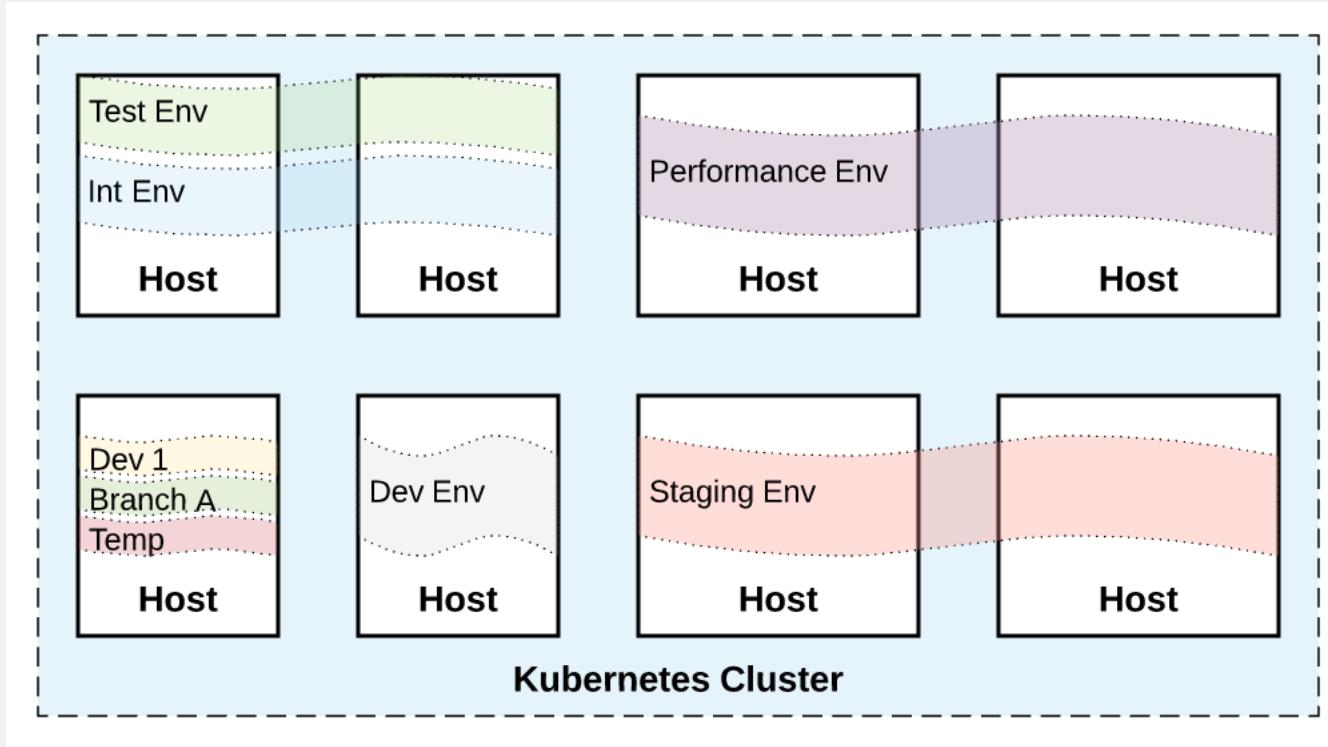
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- **Benefits of using Kubernetes**

# Benefits of using Kubernetes

- 1) Self Service Environments
- 2) Dynamically Placed Applications
- 3) Declarative Service Deployments
- 4) Blue-Green and Canary Releases
- 5) Application Resilience & Antifragility
- 6) Service Discovery & Load Balancing
- 7) Service Clustering
- 8) (Scheduled) Batch Jobs
- 9) Immutable Infrastructure

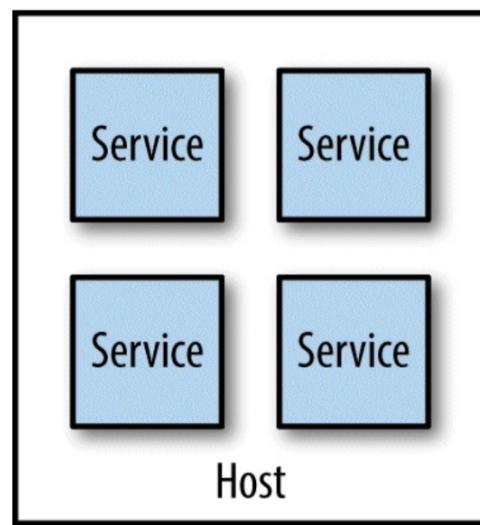
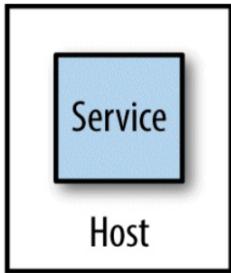
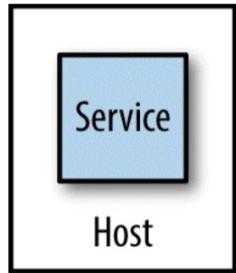
# Self Service Environments

An Environment is not a VM any longer

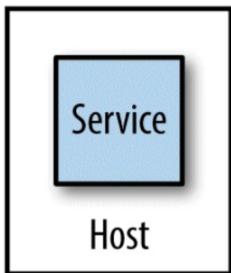
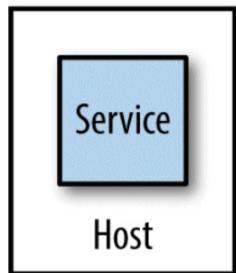


# Dynamically Placed Applications

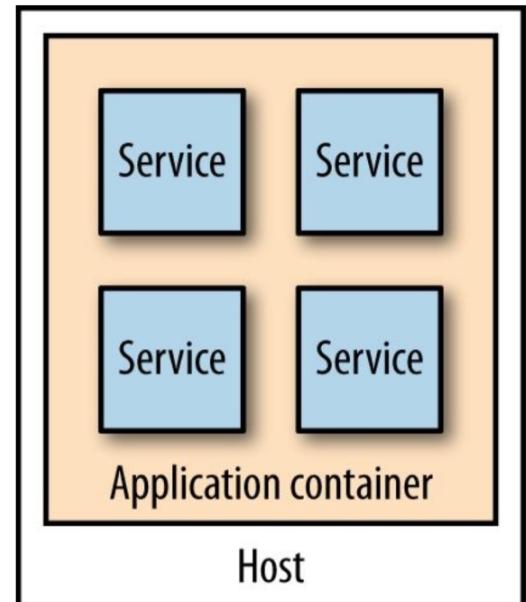
Forget about these manual placement strategies and...



**Multiple services per host**



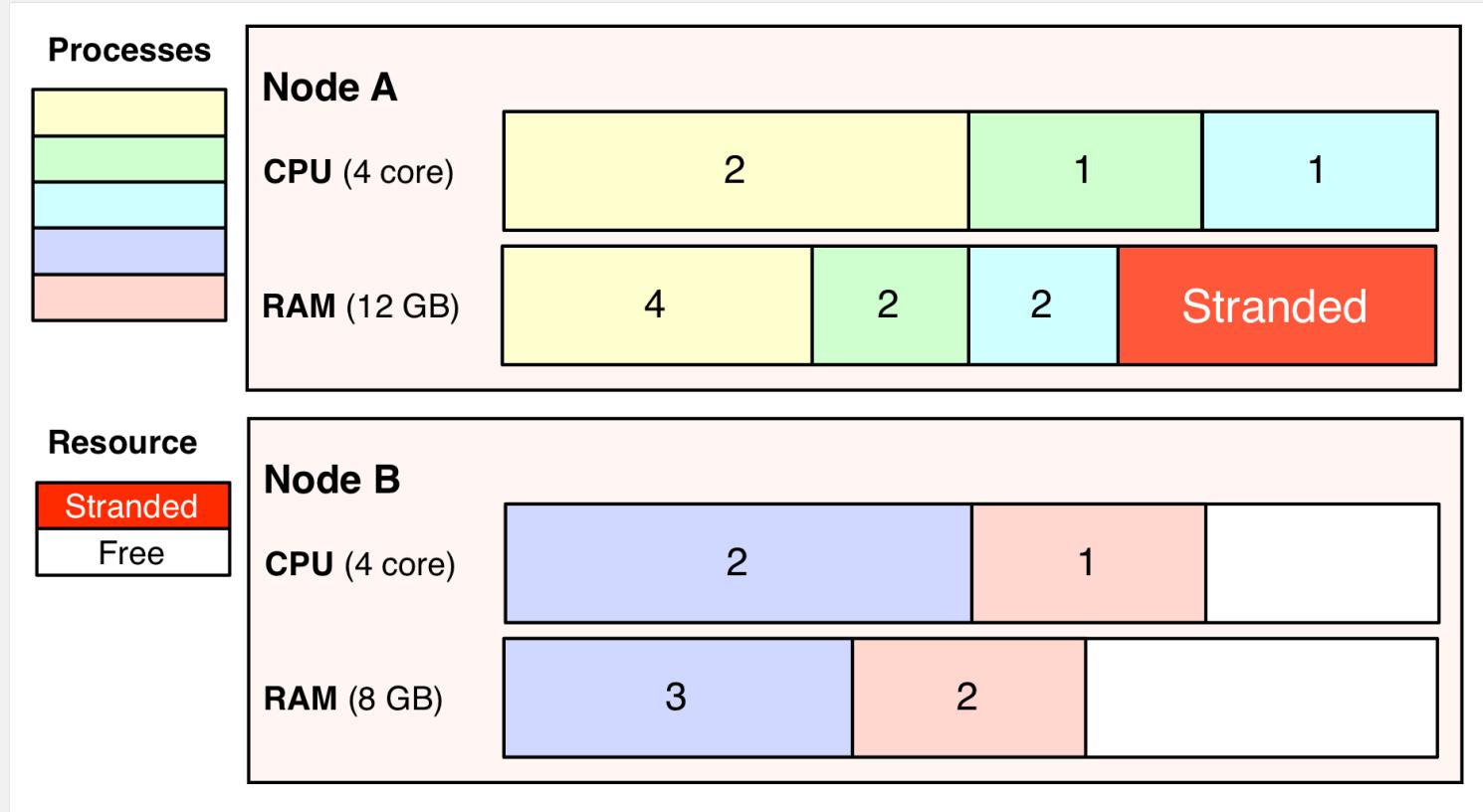
**Single service per host**



**Multiple services per app server**

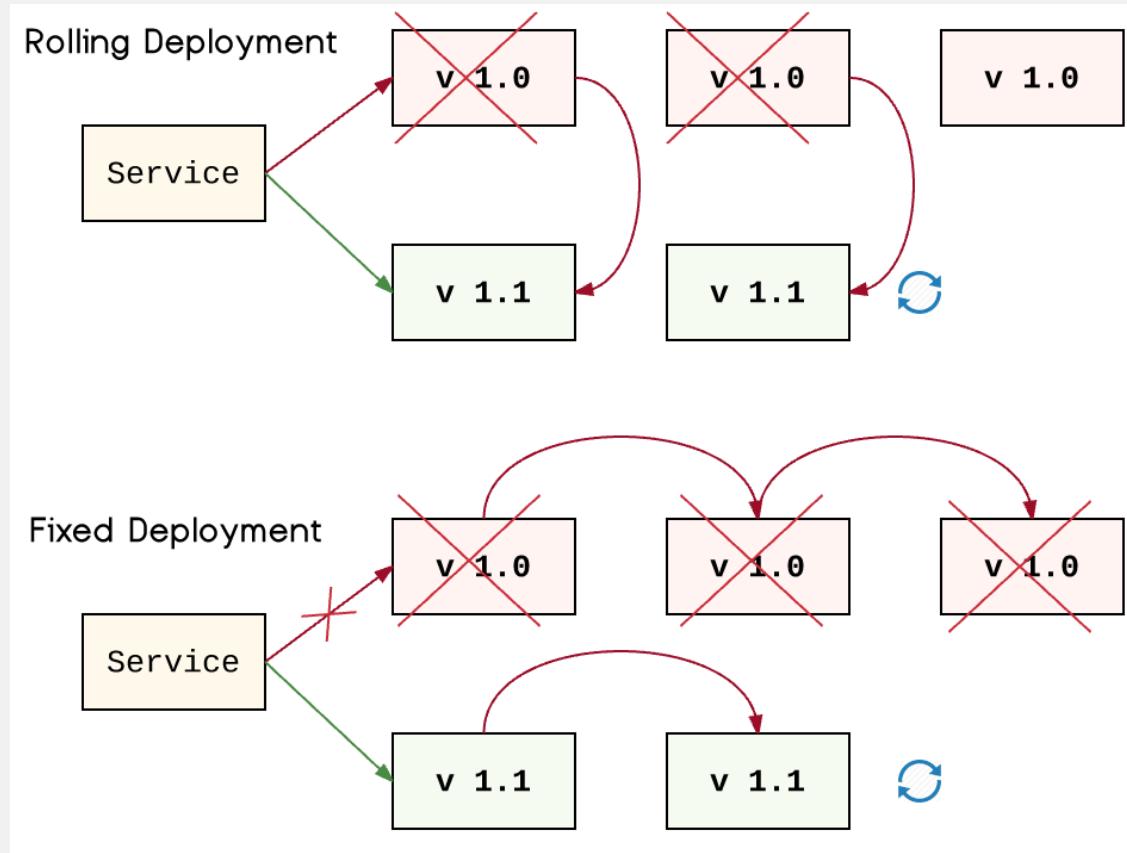
# Dynamically Placed Applications

... and trust the Scheduler



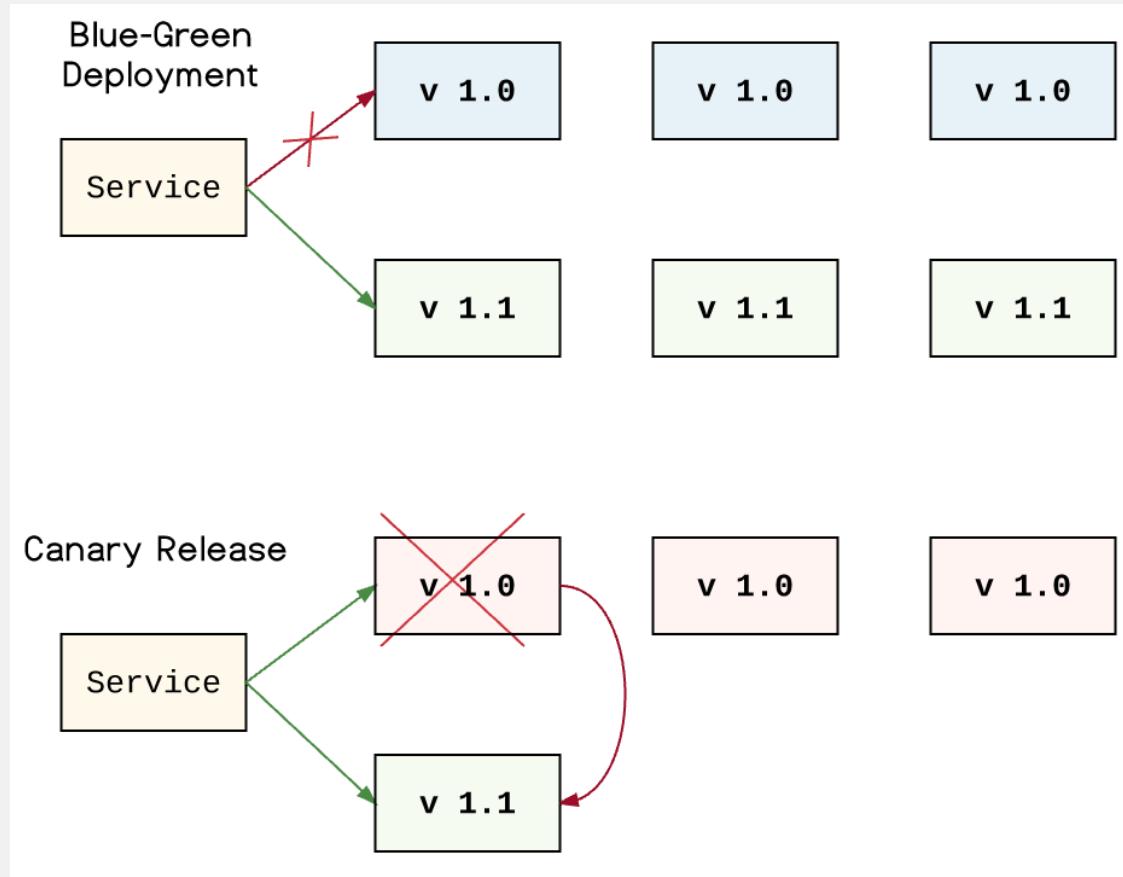
# Declarative Service Deployments

Deployment config based options



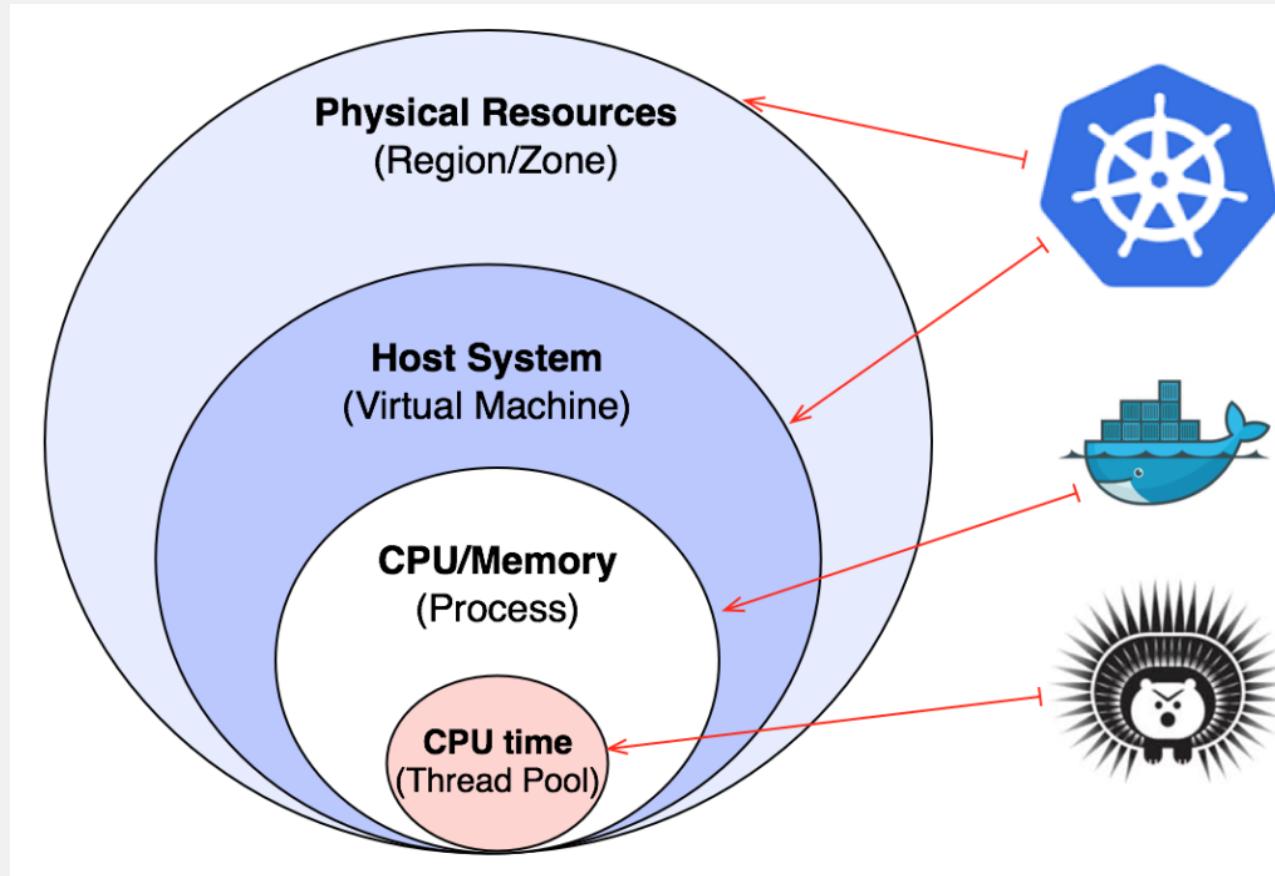
# Blue-Green and Canary Releases

Routing config based options



# Application Resilience

For true resilience you must go outside of the JVM!

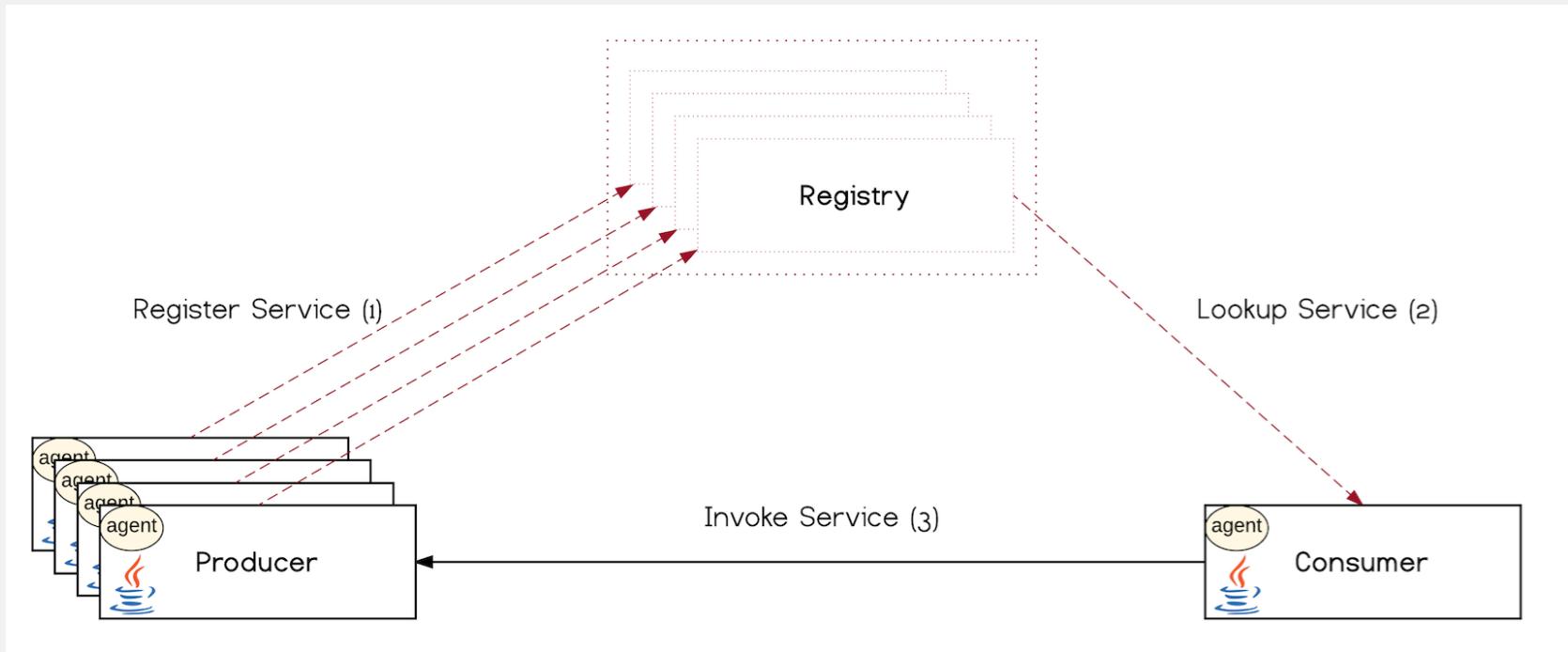


# Application Resilience & Antifragility

- Infinite loops: CPU shares and quotas
- Memory leaks: OOM yourself
- Disk hogs: Quotas
- Fork bombs: Process limits
- Circuit Breaker, Timeout, Retry as SideCar
- Failover and Service Discovery as SideCar
- Process Bulkheading with Containers
- Hardware Bulkheading through Scheduler
- Auto-scaling & Self-healing

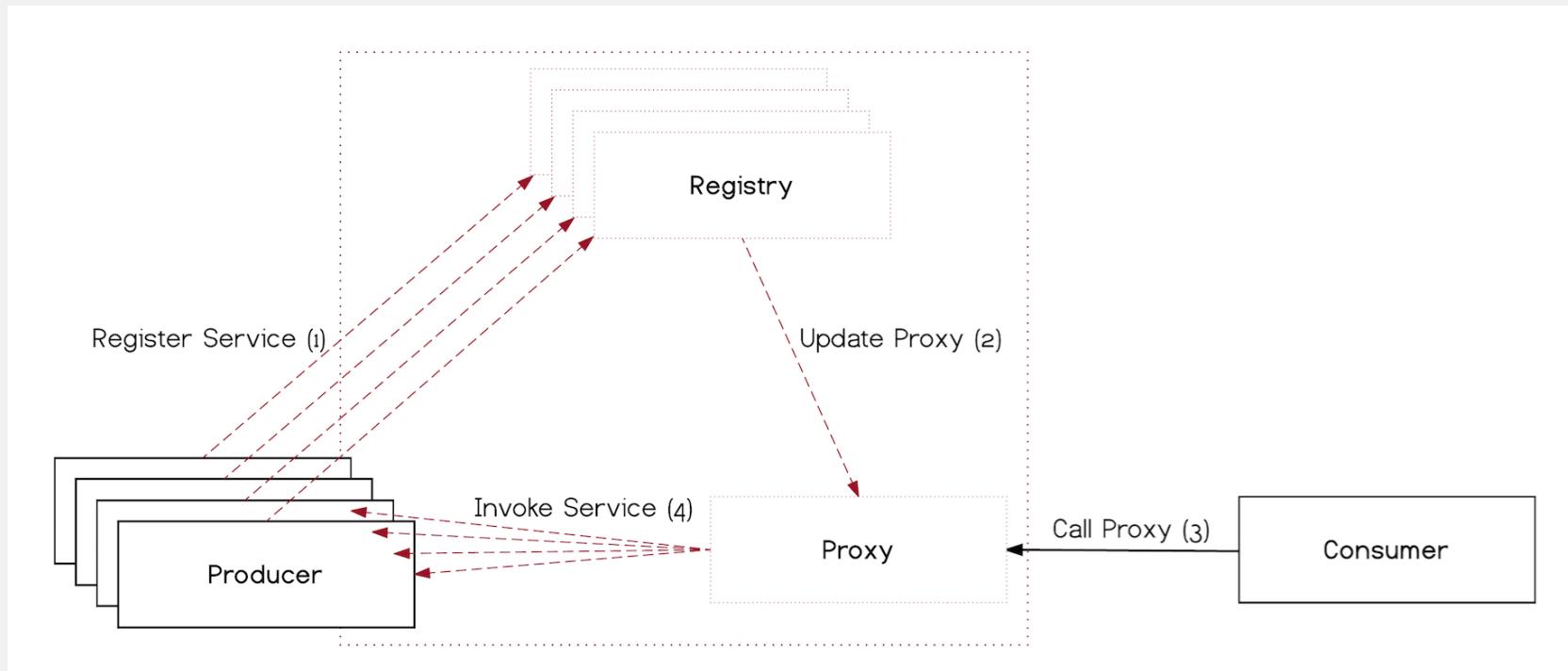
# Service Discovery & Load Balancing

Client side – on the JVM



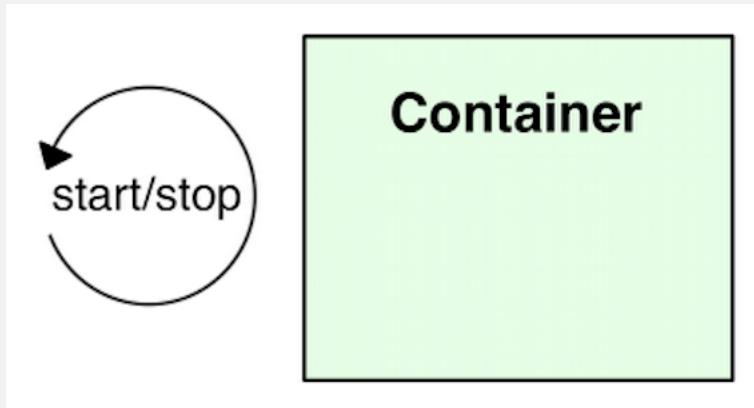
# Service Discovery & Load Balancing

Provided by the platform



# (Scheduled) Batch Jobs

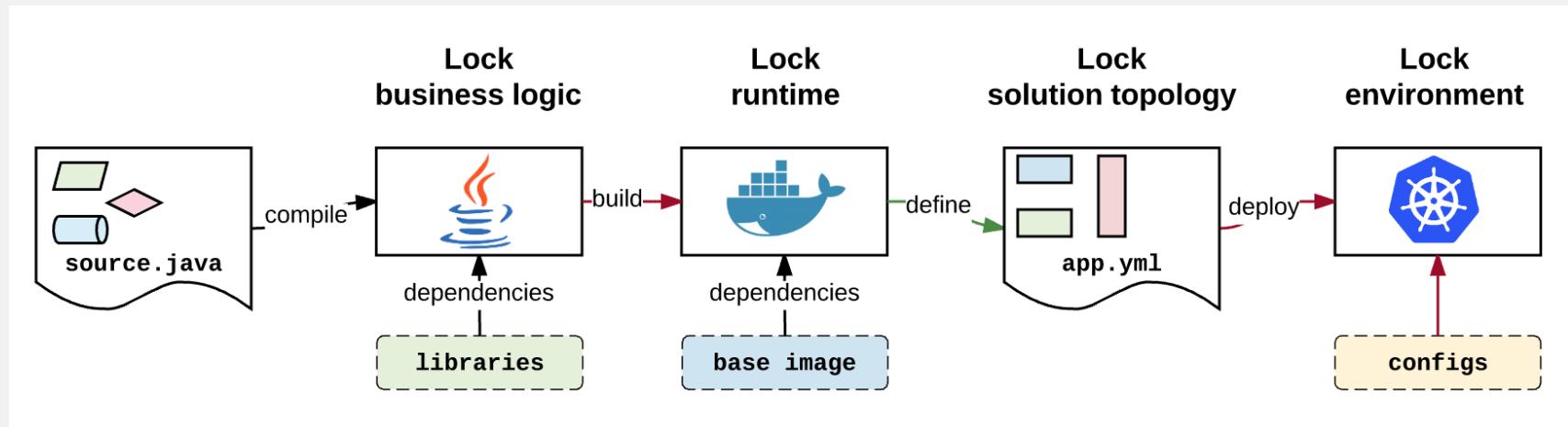
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## Example batch jobs in Java

- JDK Timer
- ScheduledExecutorService
- Quartz Scheduler
- Spring Batch

# Immutable Infrastructure



Application binaries → Container

Deployment unit → Pod

Resource demands → request/limit/PVC

Configurations → ConfigMap/Secret

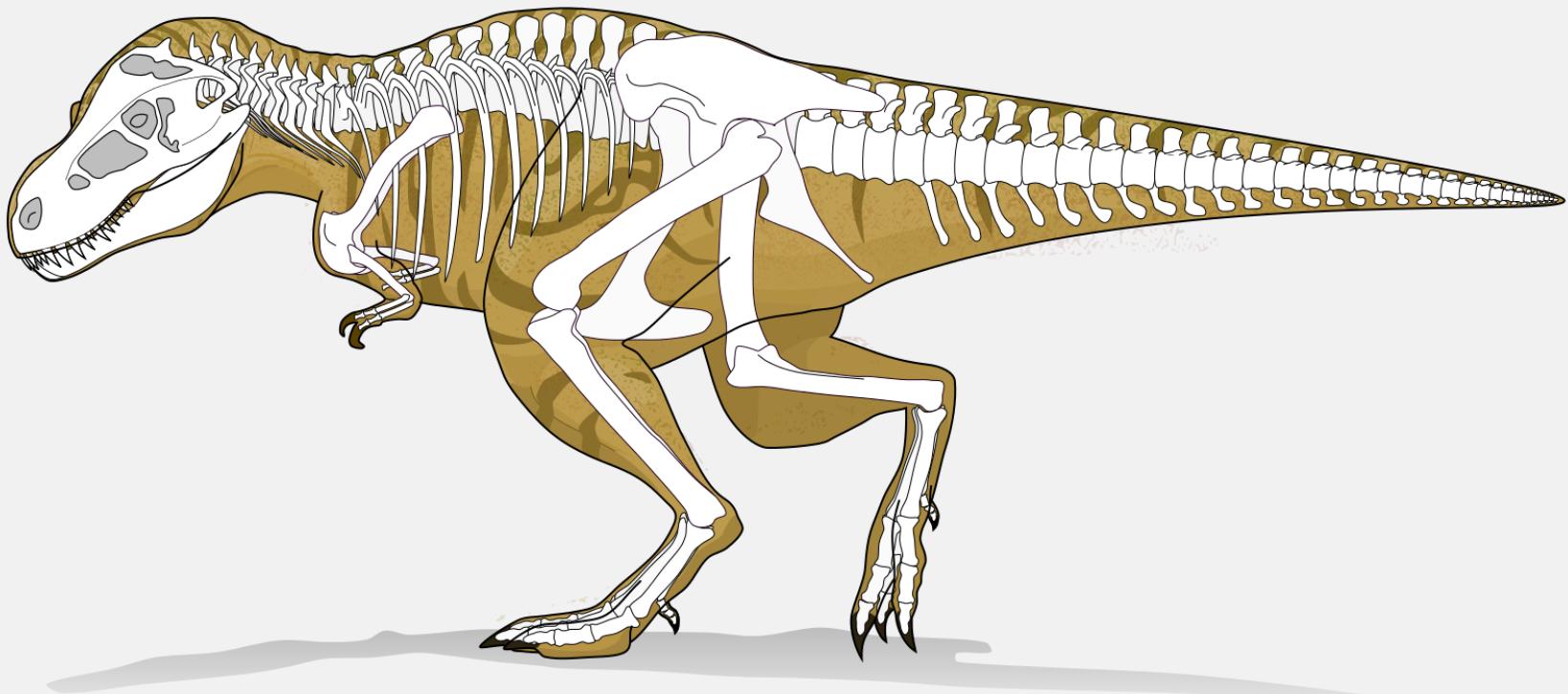
Update/rollback mechanism → Deployment

} Executable  
app.yml

# Key Takeaways

1. Automate routine tasks through a cloud native platform.  
(placement, updates, healthchecks, self-healing, scaling)
2. Move XFR/NFR from application to platform layer.  
(service discovery, circuit breaker, jobs, configurations, logs)
3. Ecosystem matters  
(Bet on a complete ecosystem, not a single platform)

# Cloud Native is not Mandatory



It is not necessary to change. Survival is not mandatory.

*W. Edwards Deming*

# Q & A

Kubernetes Patterns <http://leanpub.com/k8spatterns>

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