

# Chaos Engineering Applied to the Fintech Domain



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# FinTech Problem Statement and Solution

*A problem statement : Non-banking services companies would like to offer banking services and products. E.g. A cab company would like to offer auto-loan*

## Users

End users benefit from embedded FinTech products

## Products

FinTech consumers provide superior CX with innovative products

## Interfaces

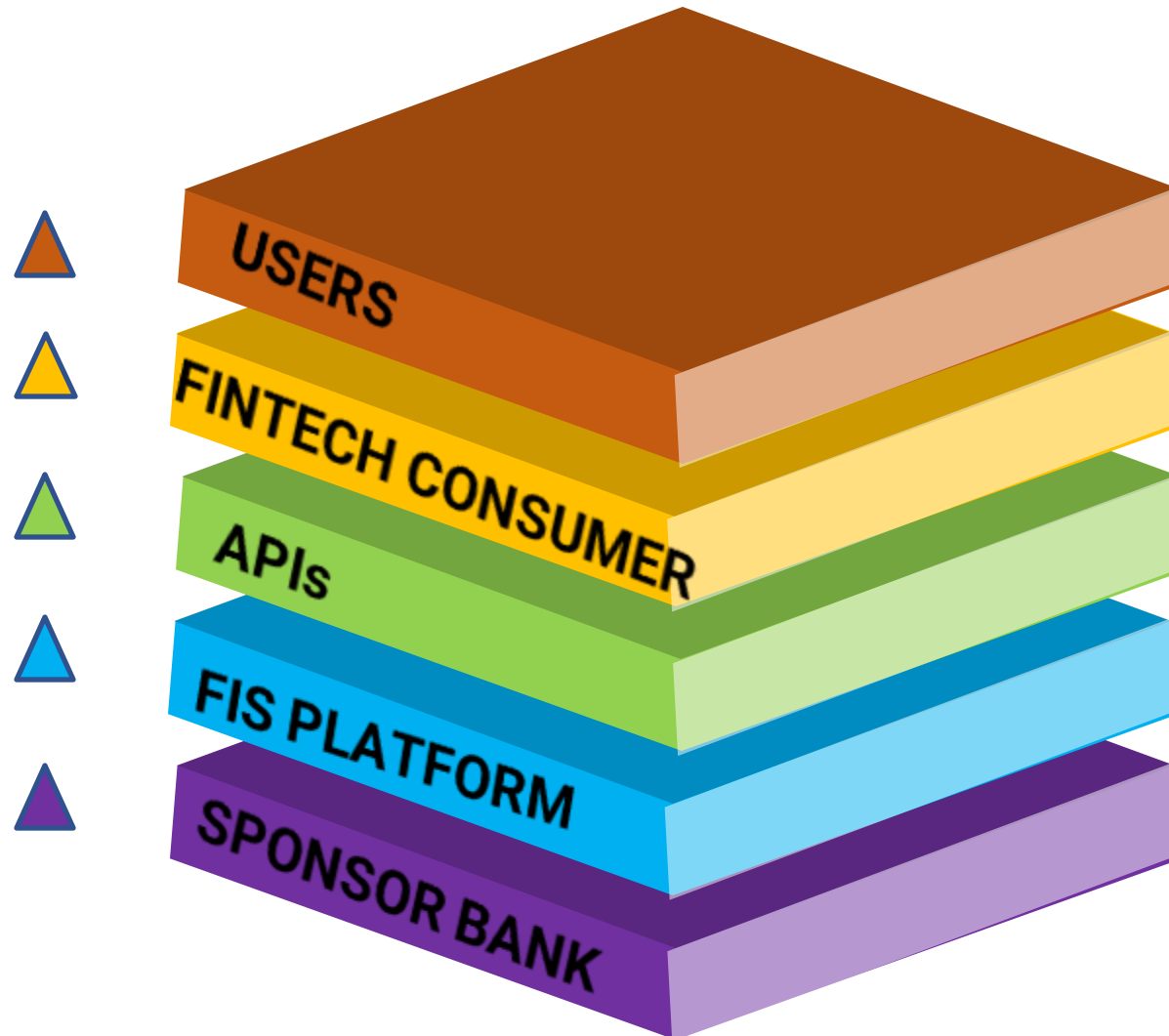
FIS offers APIs to FinTech consumers to launch their products

## Platform

FIS platform manages the banking ecosystem for sponsor bank

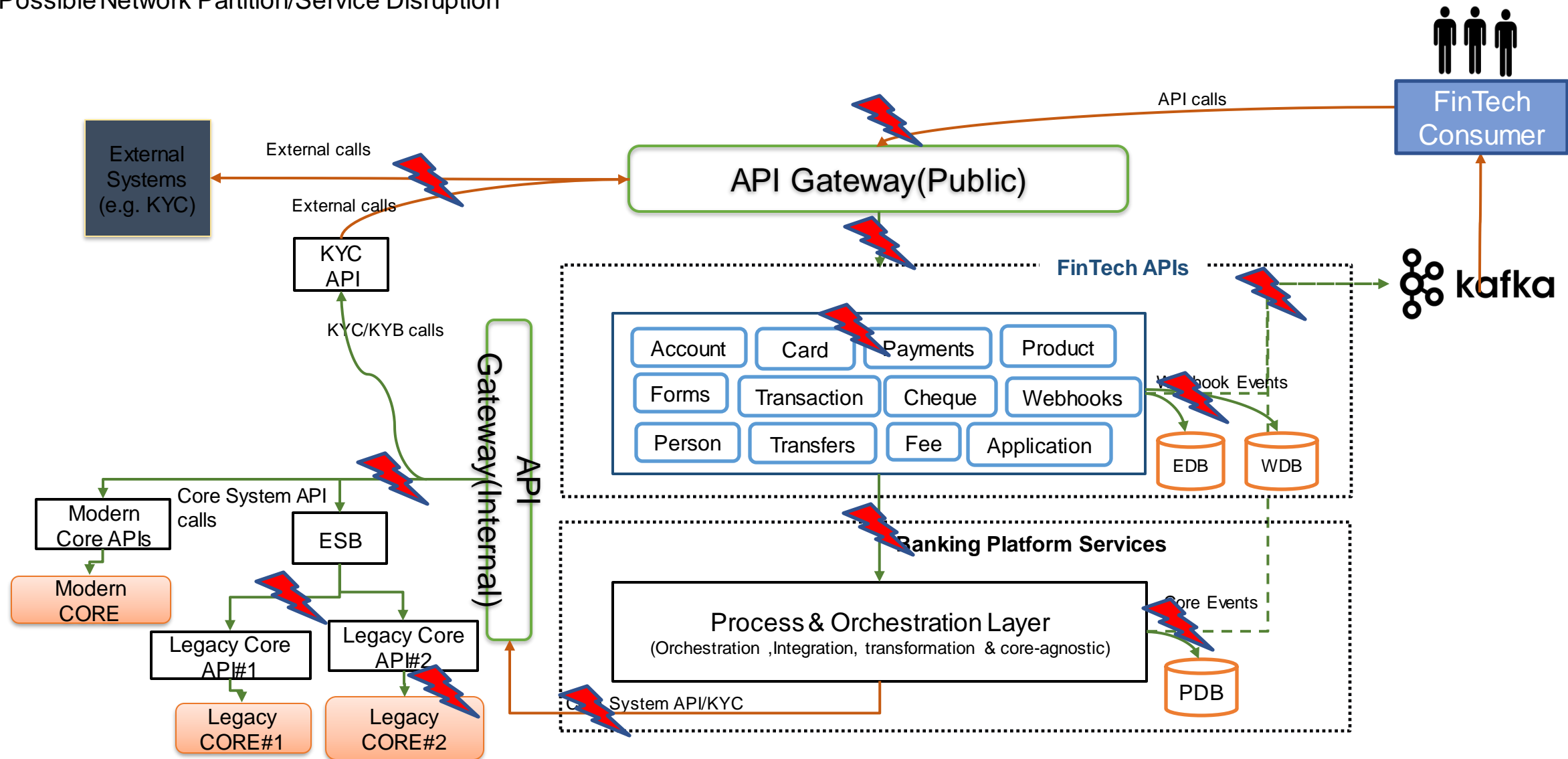
## Bank

FIS hosts bank or partners with Bank to offer Banking, Payment and Card services



# FinTech Technical Architecture

 = Possible Network Partition/Service Disruption

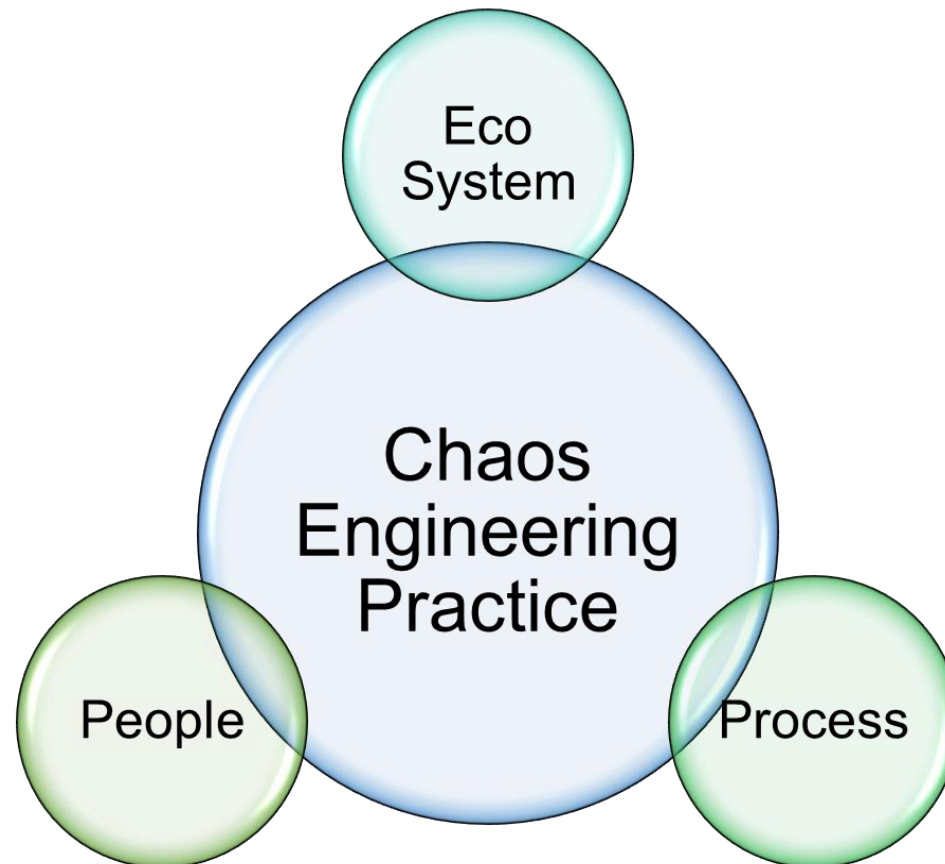


# Chaos Engineering - Definition and Practice

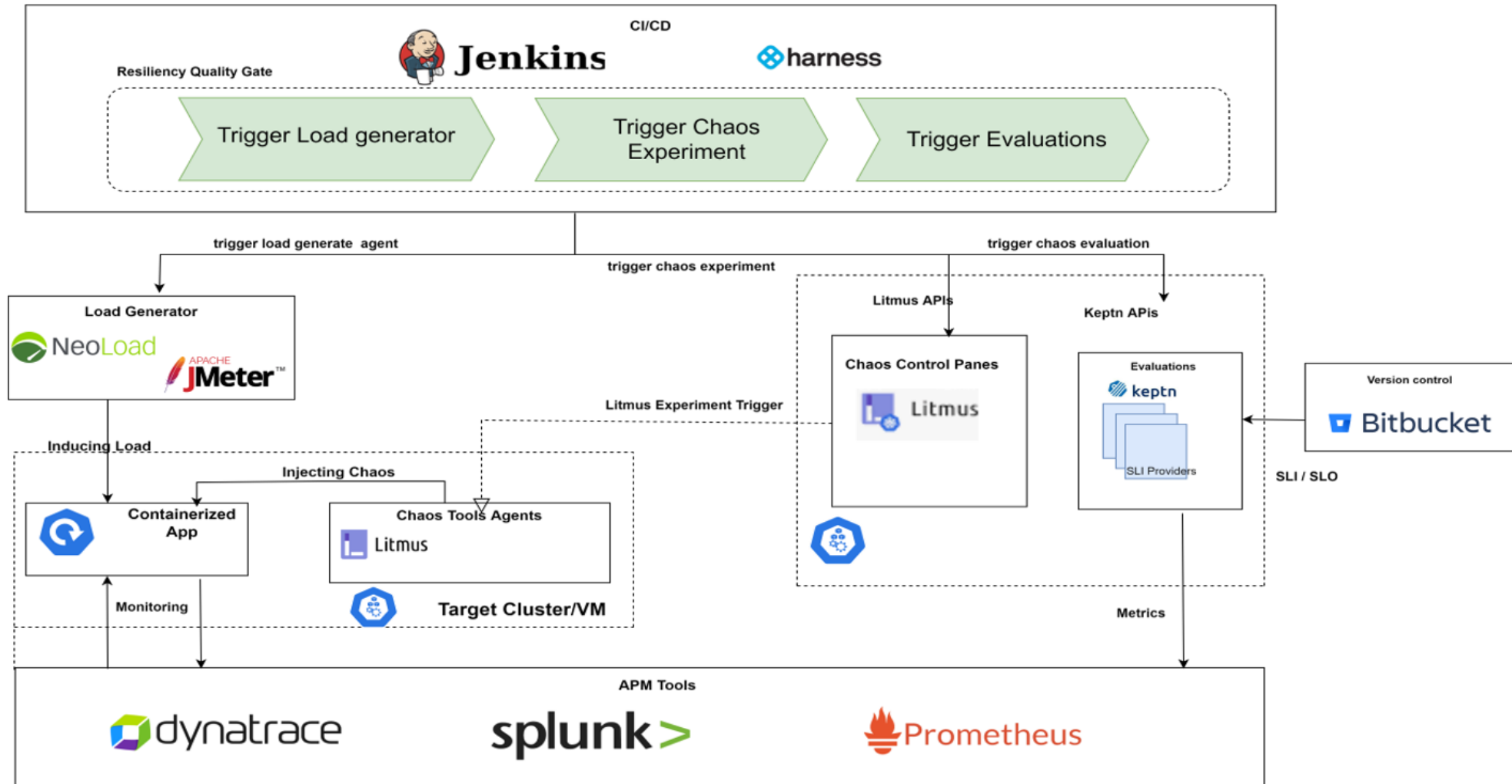
## Definition

<https://principlesofchaos.org/> defines it as - *"the discipline of experimenting on a system in order to build confidence in the system's capability to withstand turbulent conditions in production."*

## Practice



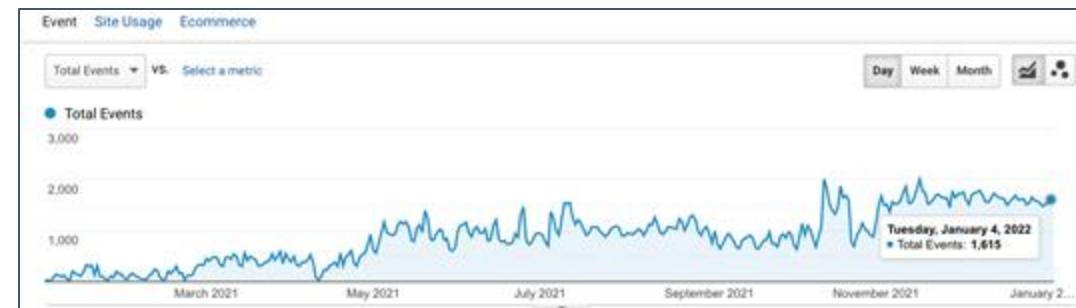
# Chaos Engineering Eco-System





# LitmusChaos – A CNCF Incubating Project

Litmus is an open source platform for practicing chaos engineering in a cloud native way.



30x growth in per-day installations of Litmus

in the last 3 quarters; 1500 installations per day



Started in 2017; 4+ years of active development



350K+ Litmus installations; 30x usage growth in the last 3 quarters, 50+ chaos experiments, 100+ contributors



Stable platform : 2.0 released

50+ enterprises using 2.0

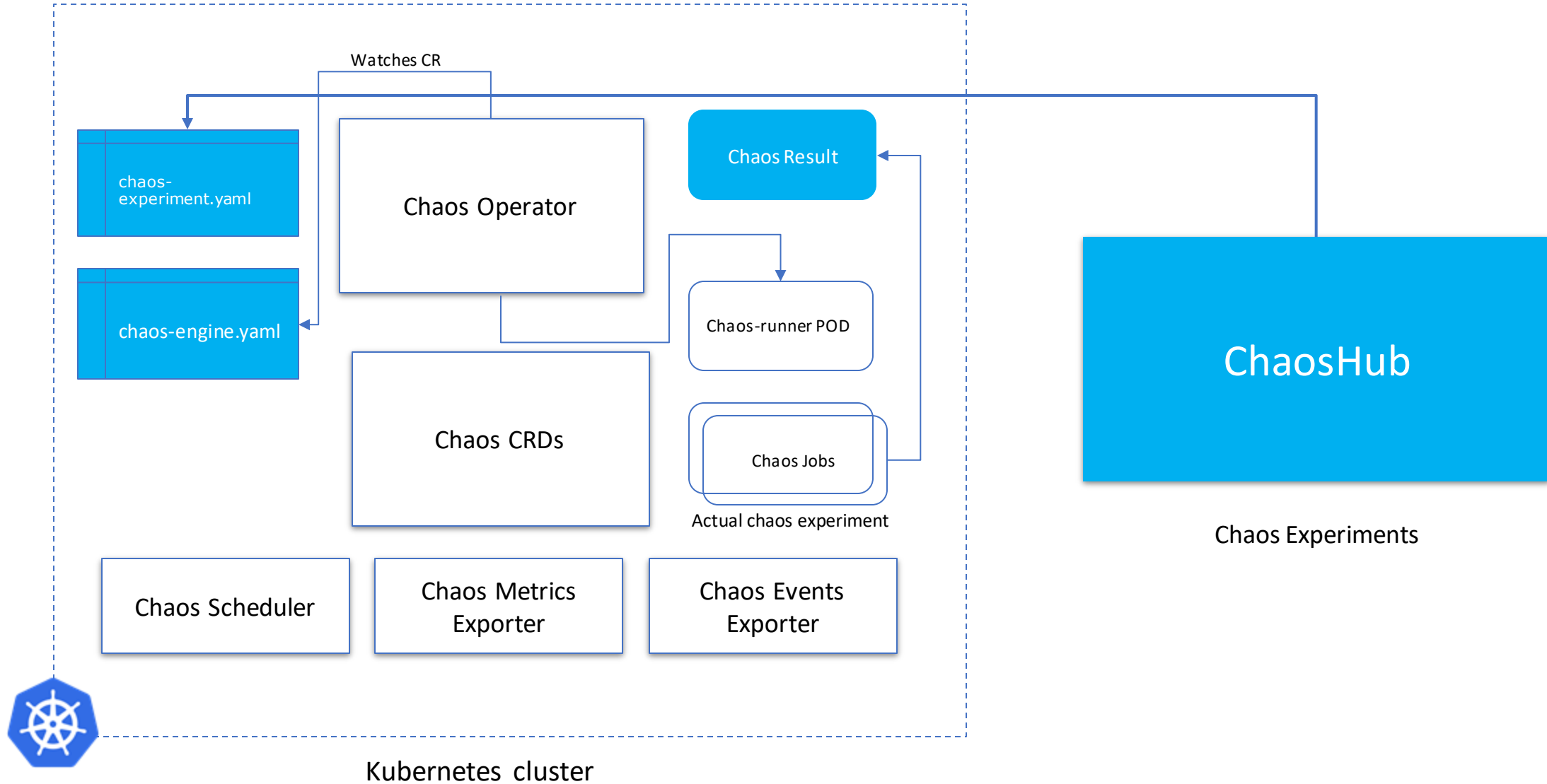


CNCF Incubating project

Litmus is **adopted** by



# Chaos Orchestration: Bird's Eye View





# Simplifying Enterprise-Grade Chaos Engineering



## Cloud Native Chaos Experiments

Validate your entire infrastructure including pods, nodes, VMs, disks and more.



## Least Privilege Principled Chaos Injection

Safety focused granular RBAC support along with just-in-time execution of privileged containers.



## Declarative Pre-Checks and Hypothesis Validation

Add declarative probes for pre-checks and hypothesis validation against a number of probe types.



## Conditionally AutoStop Chaos Injection

Conditionally abort on-the-fly chaos injection to ensure safety of the target resources at all times.



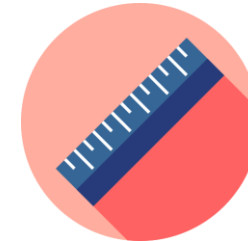
## Custom Chaos Recovery Actions

Introduce custom steps for chaos remediation and recovery for conditional execution.



## Declarative Custom Tasks

Add custom tasks to be run alongside chaos injection steps to simulate real-world conditions, such as synthetic load generation.



## Quantification of System Resiliency

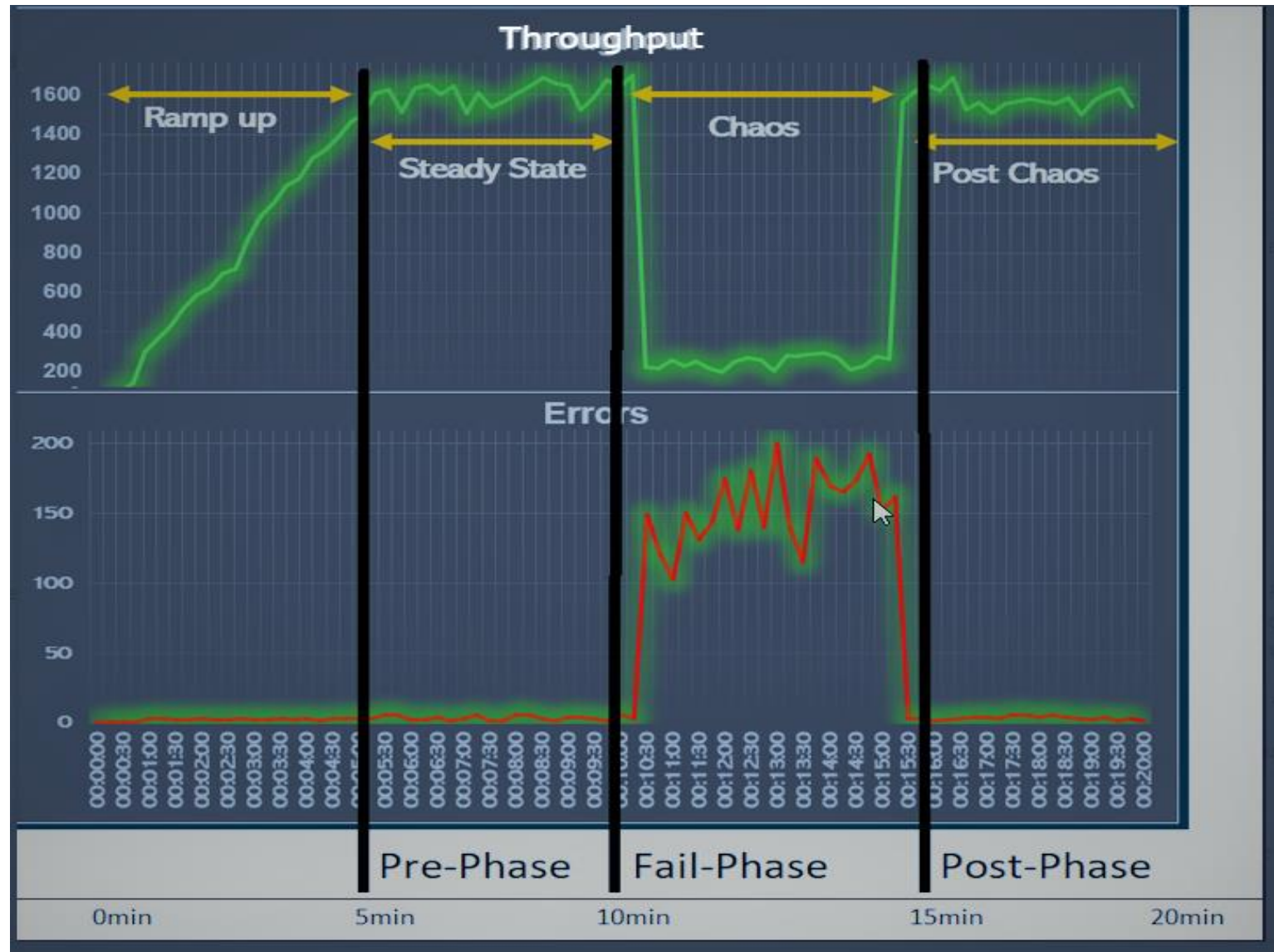
Quantified evaluation of system resiliency via a resiliency score based on the experiment results.



# Litmus Chaos Experiments

Experiment	Objective	Metrics to be monitored
Pod HTTP Latency	Ability to handle "timeout" exception and recover from it	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Thread pool Utilization</li><li>• Connection pool utilization</li><li>• Error rate</li><li>• Throughput</li></ul>
Pod Memory Hog	Ability to memory saturation and its side effect of container OOMKilled situation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Pod/Container memory usage</li><li>• Service response time</li><li>• Kubernetes pod event - OOMKilled</li></ul>
Pod HTTP Status Code	Ability to handle HTTP 5xx errors from an application component	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• e.g. Account creation rate</li><li>• Error rate</li></ul>

# Chaos Evaluation – An Example



# Chaos Engineering – Stakeholder Value

