



# Transparent Live Migration of Services Between Kubernetes Cluster Across Multi-Cloud

Adam Janikowski & Jörg Schad, ArangoDB



# tl;dr

- Moving a stateful Service between different K8s cluster, regions, cloud providers is challenging
  - But very useful from an operational perspective
  - Ideally 'transparent' for user
- Spoiled for Choice…
  - Cooperation of K8s, operator, networking, and database
- Demo













### Additionally

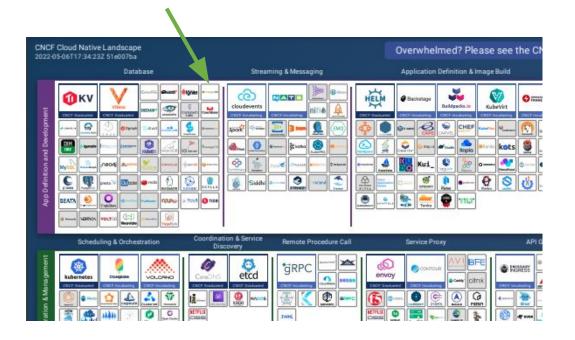
- Operator Architect & Developer
- Kubernetes Expert
- GoLang Developer
- GitHub: ajanikow



### **Prev**

- Suki.ai
- Mesosphere
- Architect @SAP Hana
- PhD Distributed DB Systems
- Twitter: @joerg\_schad

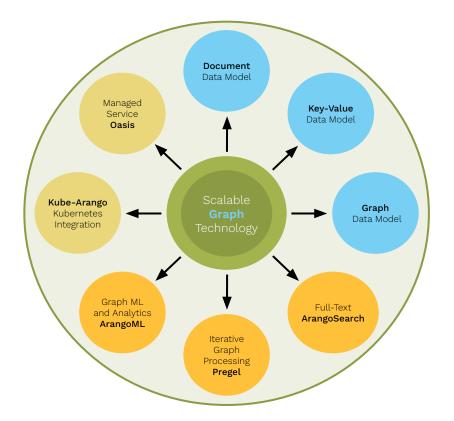
## Databases in 2022





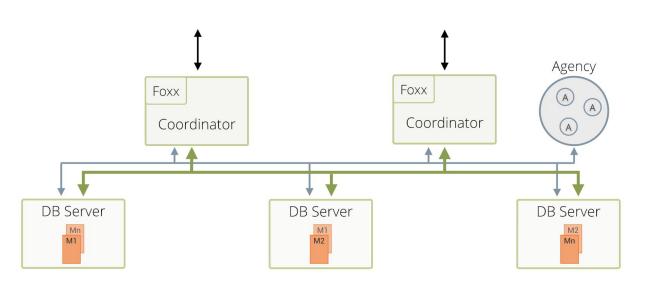
**Distributed Stateful Systems on Dynamic Infrastructure!** 















### Fully Managed

- Automated deployment
- Monitoring and Backup policies
- ► Scale-up / scale-out

### Fully Programmable

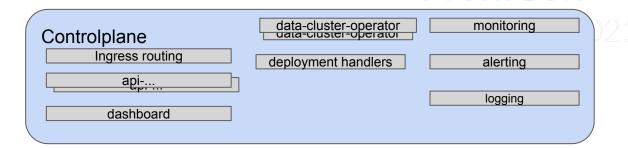
▶ Open APIs with 100% Coverage

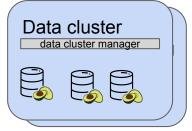
### Public Clouds

► AWS, Google and Azure

#### Flexible

- Start with a free-to-try offering
- Enterprise features in the cloud















# Operational Challenges \*

KubeCon CloudNativeCon
Europe 2022

- (Managed) Kubernetes Upgrades
  - Upgraded Cluster ≠ New Cluster
- Migrate between Regions
  - Cloud (Region) Outages
  - Reduce Latency between Client/Cluster
- Migrate between Cloud Provider
- Migrate from Self-Deployed to ArangoDB Cloud

Migration between different K8s cluster (and regions, providers, ...)

<sup>\*</sup> small Subset :-)

# Reliable Cloud



# AWS went down hard, yet again - here's what happened

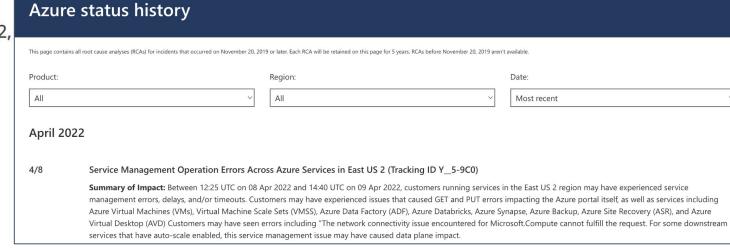


AWS suffered yet another major outage

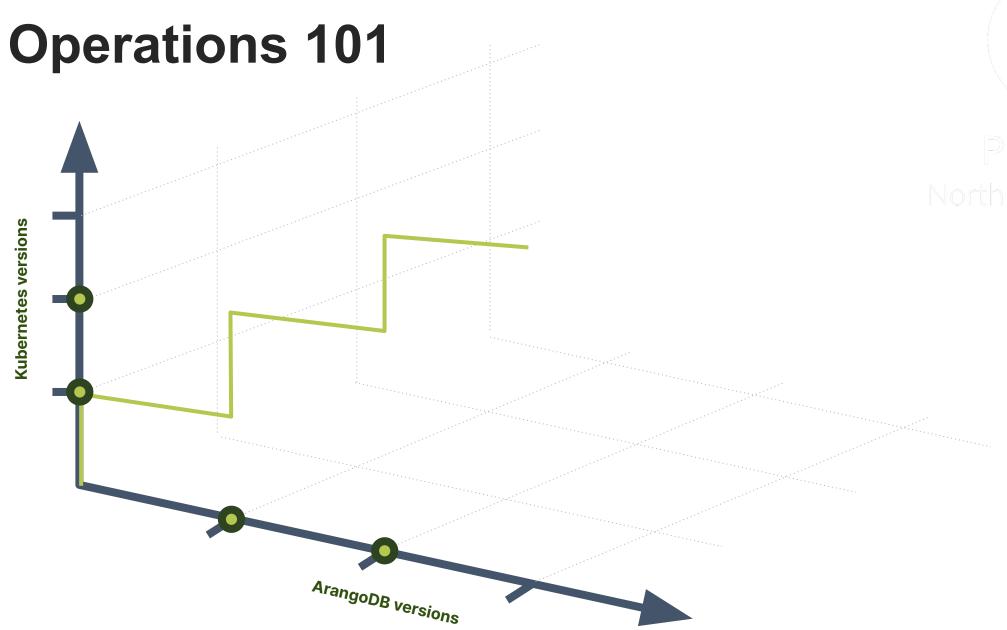
By Mike Moore, Joel Khalili last updated December 22,



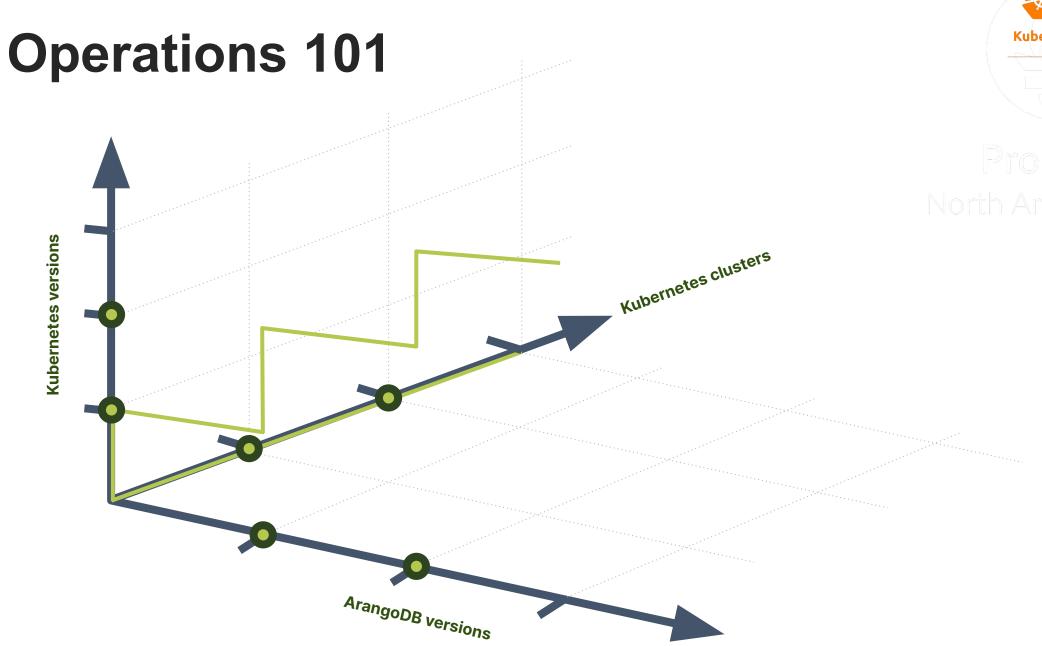
Google Cloud Service Health > Incidents



us-central1-c: GKE experiencing issues with some cluster and nodepool operations. Mitigation Underway.	20 Oct 2021	7 hours, 30 minutes
us-central1-c: GKE experiencing issues with some cluster and nodepool operations. Issue Mitigated.	19 Oct 2021	









# Migration Challenge(s)



- User Transparency of Migration
  - Database and Client migration is not atomic operation!
  - within the period of DNS propagation, service needs to be also accessible from both clusters
  - latency should be as low as possible
  - database performance should not be significantly affected
- K8s and Cloud Networking
  - Reachability
  - Security
  - Reliability

Required cooperation of all components!

# **Evaluated options**

KubeCon CloudNativeCon
Europe 2022

- Direct networking
  - Enabling direct Pod communication
- Proxy (kubectl port-forward)
  - Starting port-forward process instead of real pod
- Pod internet exposure
  - Exposing pod on the host level
- Service port mapping (LoadBalancer)
  - Exposing service with one-to-one port mapping to specific pods

# What worked for us? -1-

# KubeCon CloudNativeCon Europe 2022

### **Direct networking (Cilium Cluster Mesh)**

- Direct connect between clusters
- Endpoints needs to be managed by additional tool

### **Limitations:**

- PodCIDR ranges must be non-conflicting
- Adjustment of old cluster can be problematic









# What worked for us? -2-

### **Service** (LoadBalancer)

- Can be used in any PodCIDR ranges Works on all Cloud Providers
- One LoadBalancer per namespace

### **Limitations:**

- LoadBalancer implementation required
- Additional latency



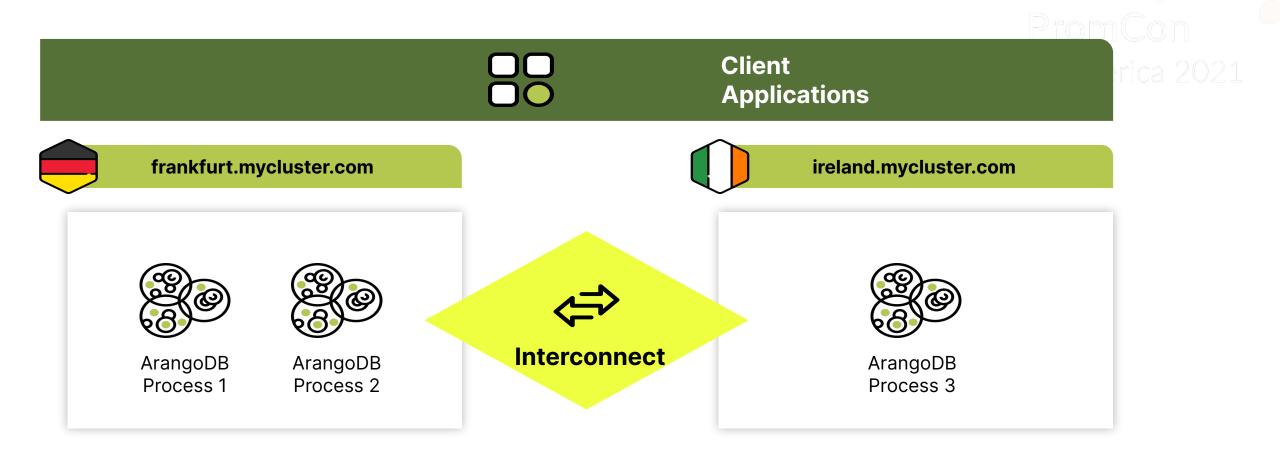






### Migration between Regions

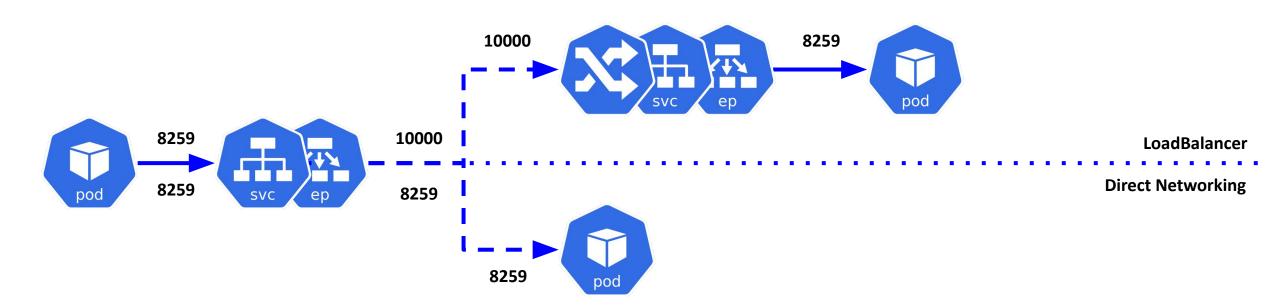




# **Network Perspective**



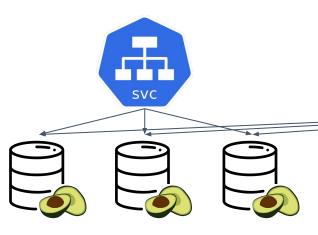
Using Services without selector we can easily manage IPs behind Service. It can point directly to Pod IP or to virtual IP & Port on LoadBalancer.



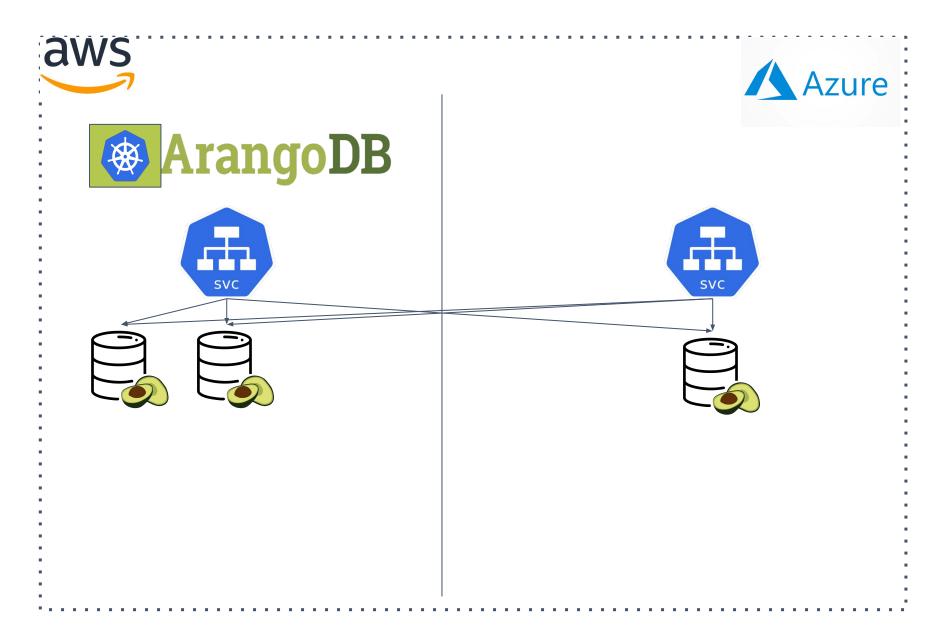


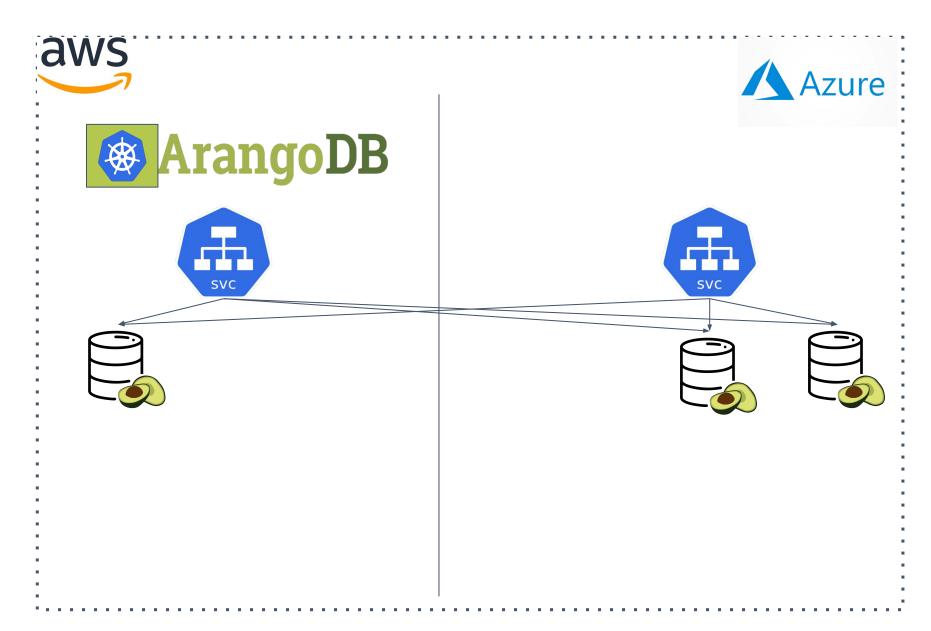


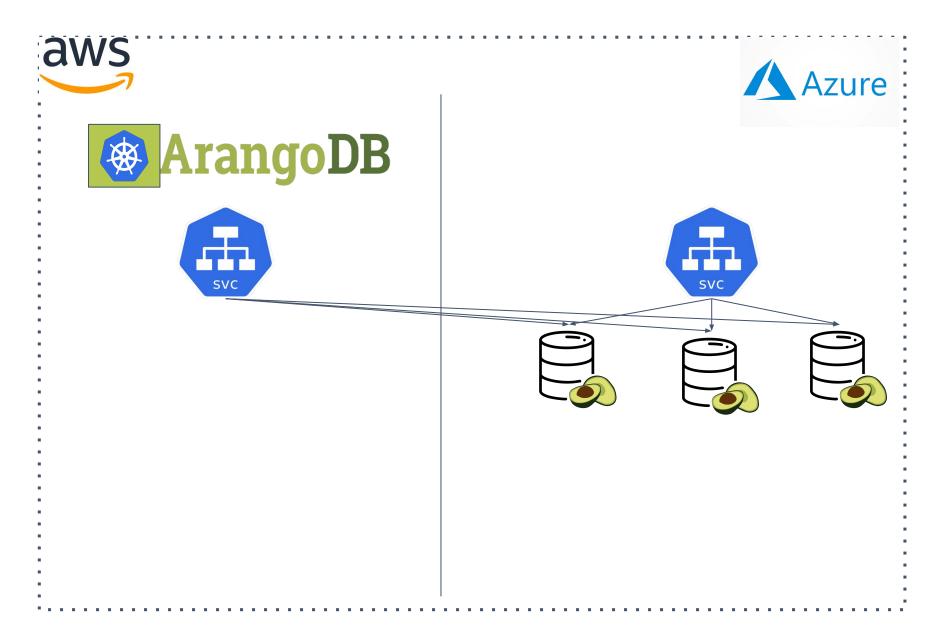


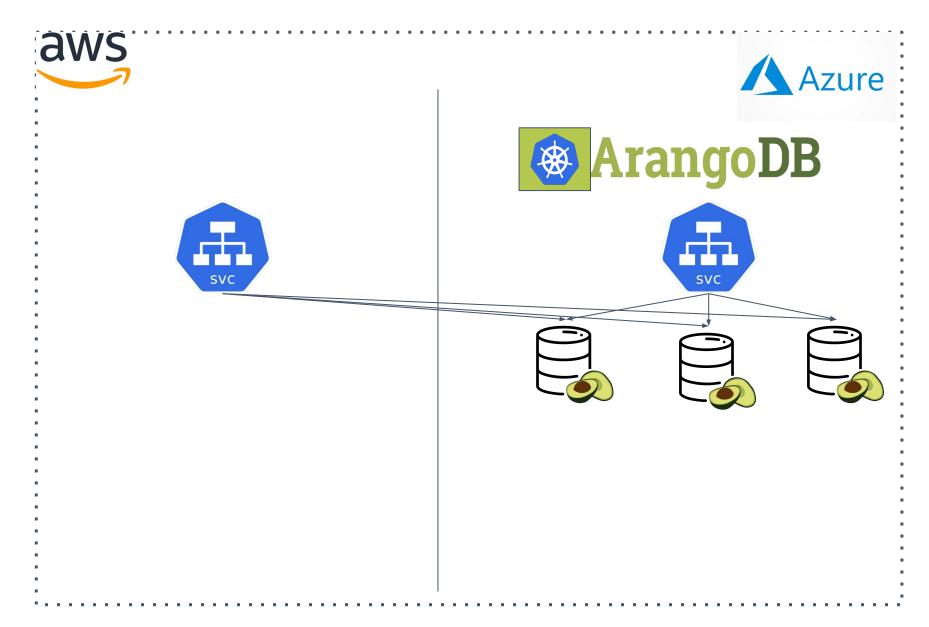












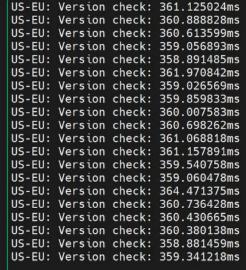
Cilium ClusterMesh

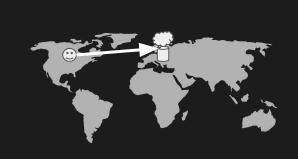
## Demo

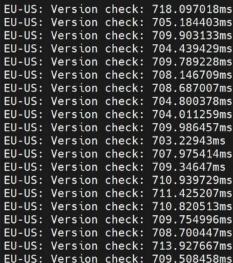


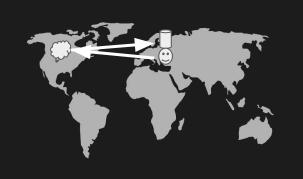












US-US: Version check: 360.658082ms US-US: Version check: 359.374911ms US-US: Version check: 360.482318ms US-US: Version check: 361.019328ms US-US: Version check: 358.936874ms US-US: Version check: 359.226745ms US-US: Version check: 360.741628ms US-US: Version check: 360.24982ms US-US: Version check: 359.414612ms US-US: Version check: 359.922797ms US-US: Version check: 359.076539ms US-US: Version check: 360.916636ms US-US: Version check: 360.209578ms US-US: Version check: 360.952281ms US-US: Version check: 362.511985ms US-US: Version check: 360.416689ms US-US: Version check: 360.161465ms US-US: Version check: 359.397269ms US-US: Version check: 359.515998ms US-US: Version check: 360.753769ms



# **Lessons Learned**

### What does not work:

- Using
  - Kubernetes port-forward
  - exposing pods on host port via public IP
- Manual endpoint juggling
- Using solely one of the two options

### What might work (in the future):

- Using one operator per cluster
  - Challenge: Leader Elections
- Distributed Cluster
  - Latency (Agency/leader election)





# Thanks for Listening!



Test-drive Oasis 14-days for free



### Reach out with Feedback/Questions!

https://www.arangodb.com/







CloudNativeCon

**Europe 2022** 

WELCOME TO VALENCIA

