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Amazon EKS under the hood

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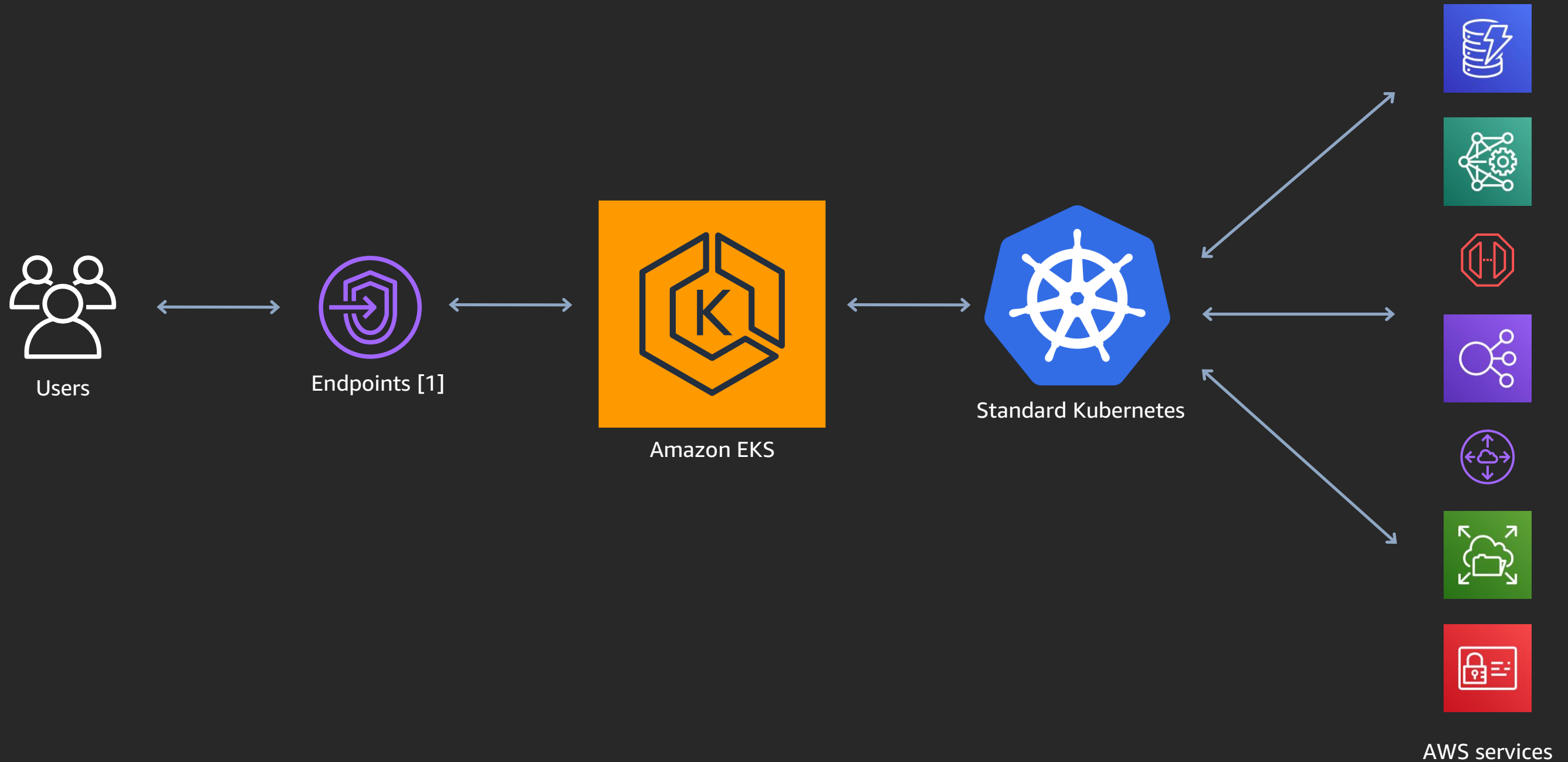
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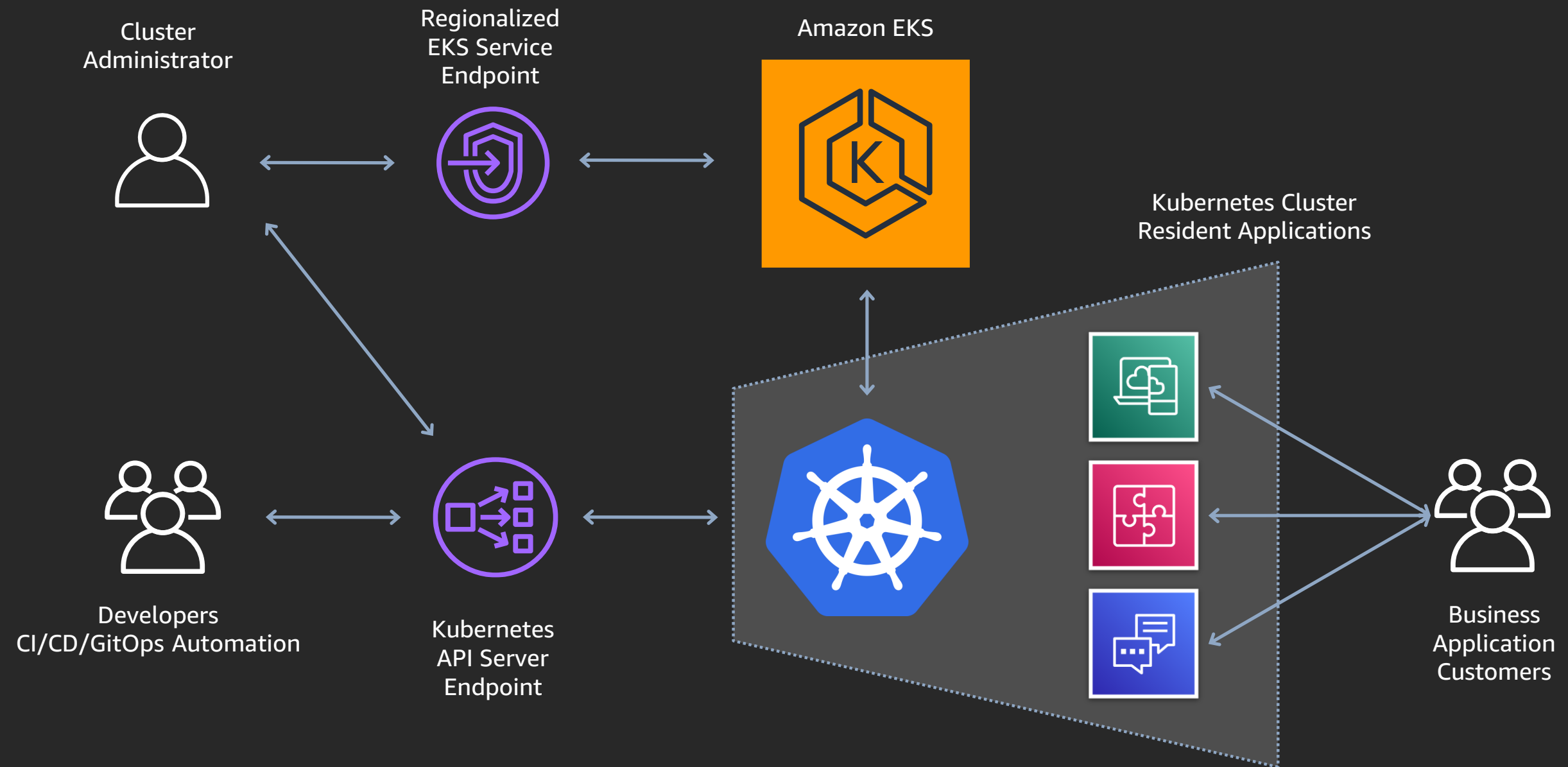
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Amazon Elastic Kubernetes Service (Amazon EKS)



[1] https://docs.aws.amazon.com/general/latest/gr/rande.html#eks_region

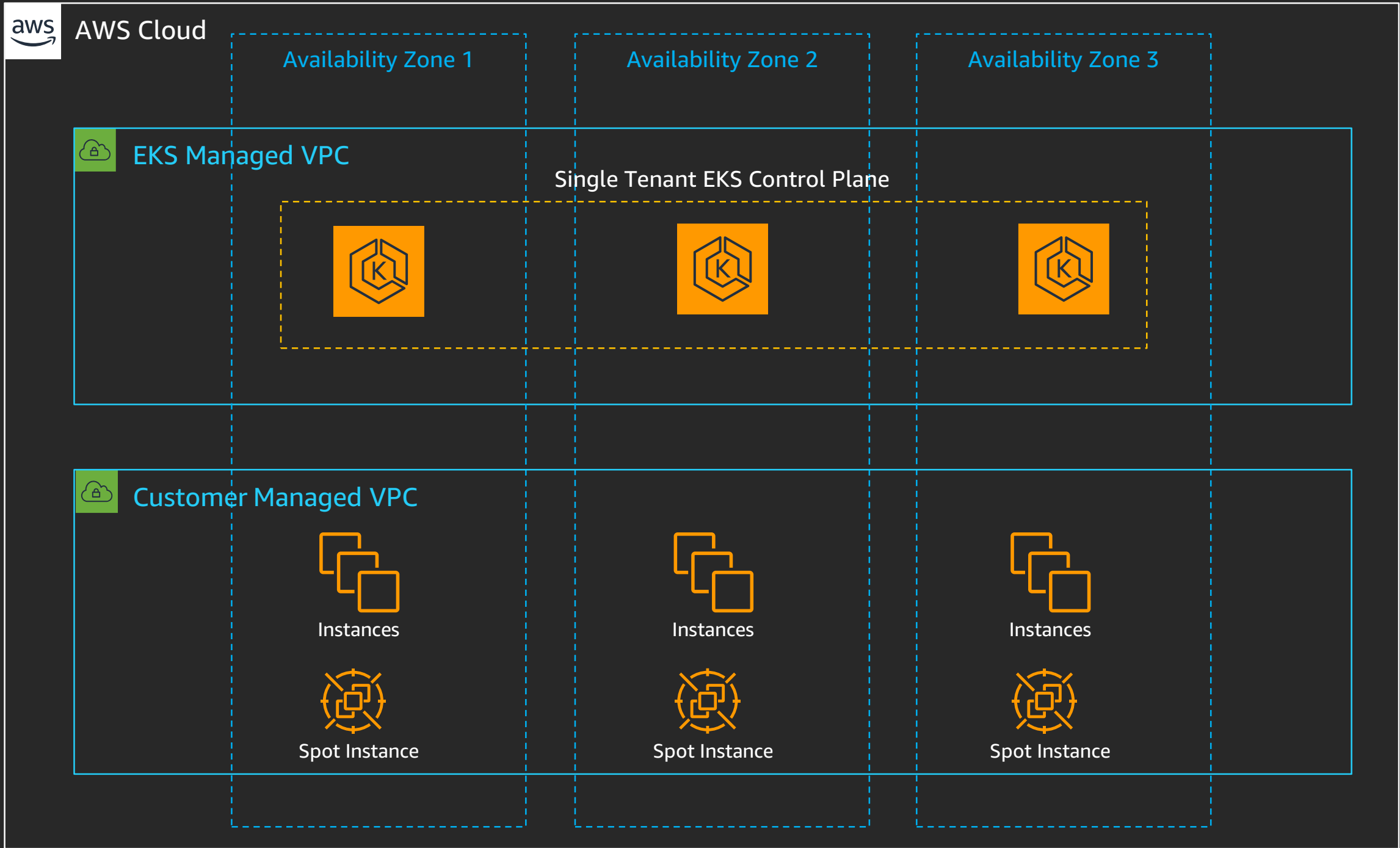
EKS Service / Kubernetes Logical Overview





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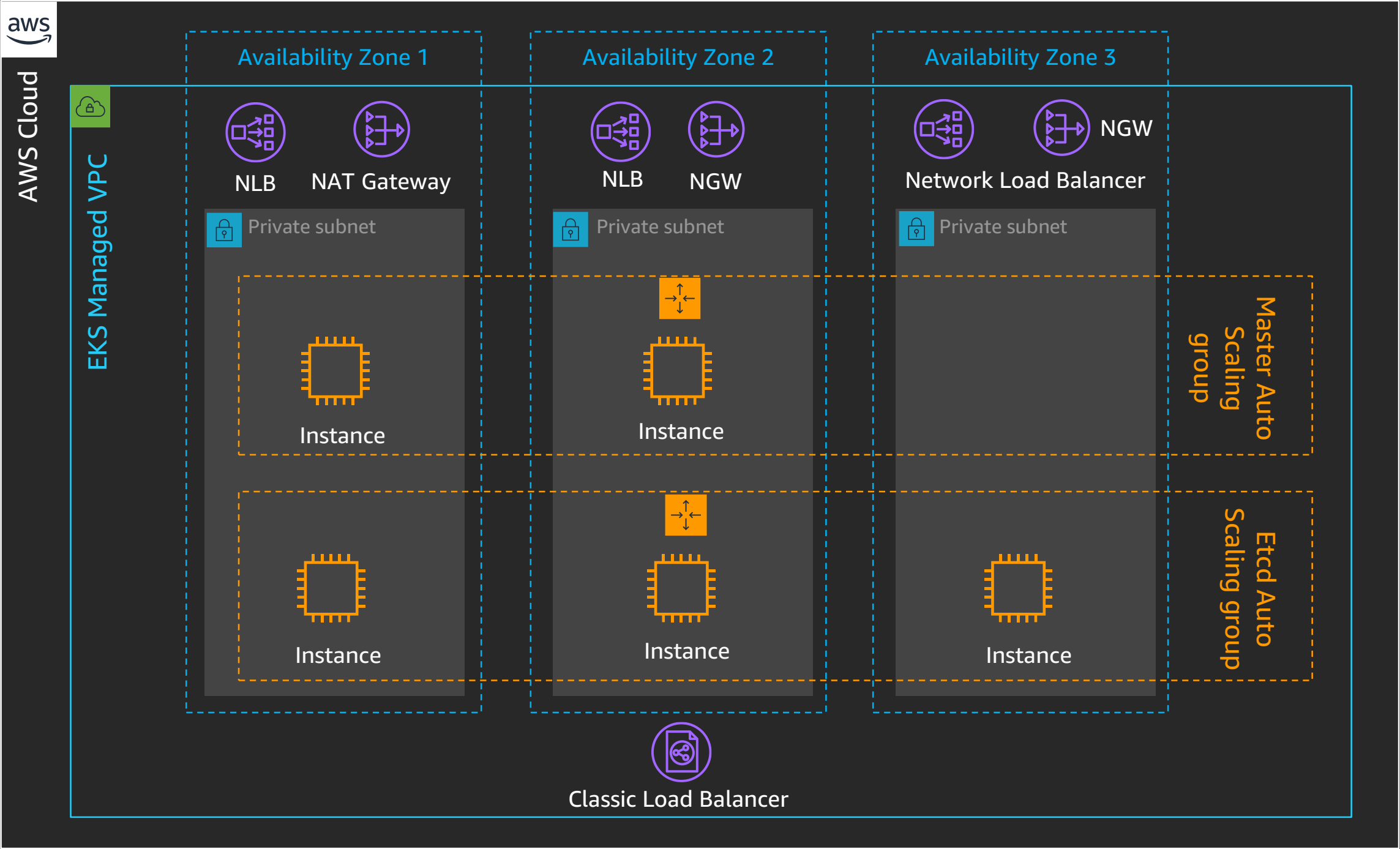
Amazon EKS Cluster





Amazon EKS

Single Tenant EKS Control Plane



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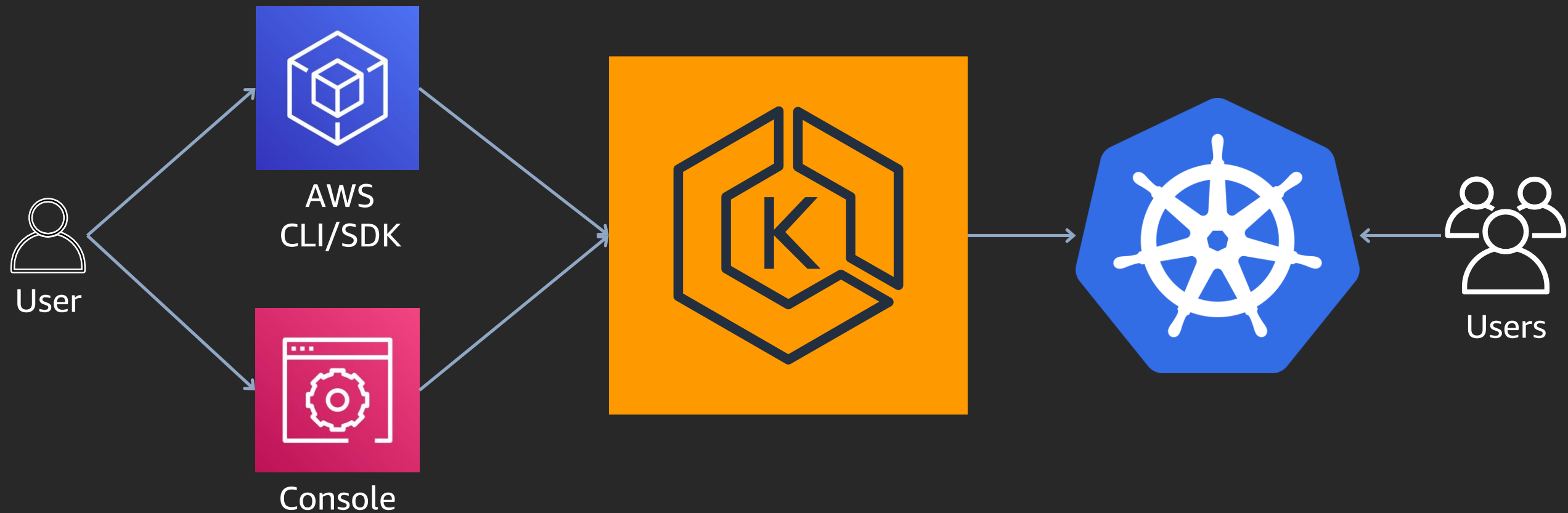
EKS Cellular Architecture

EKS Service Failure Domains – isolated failure domains designed to limit the blast radius of events

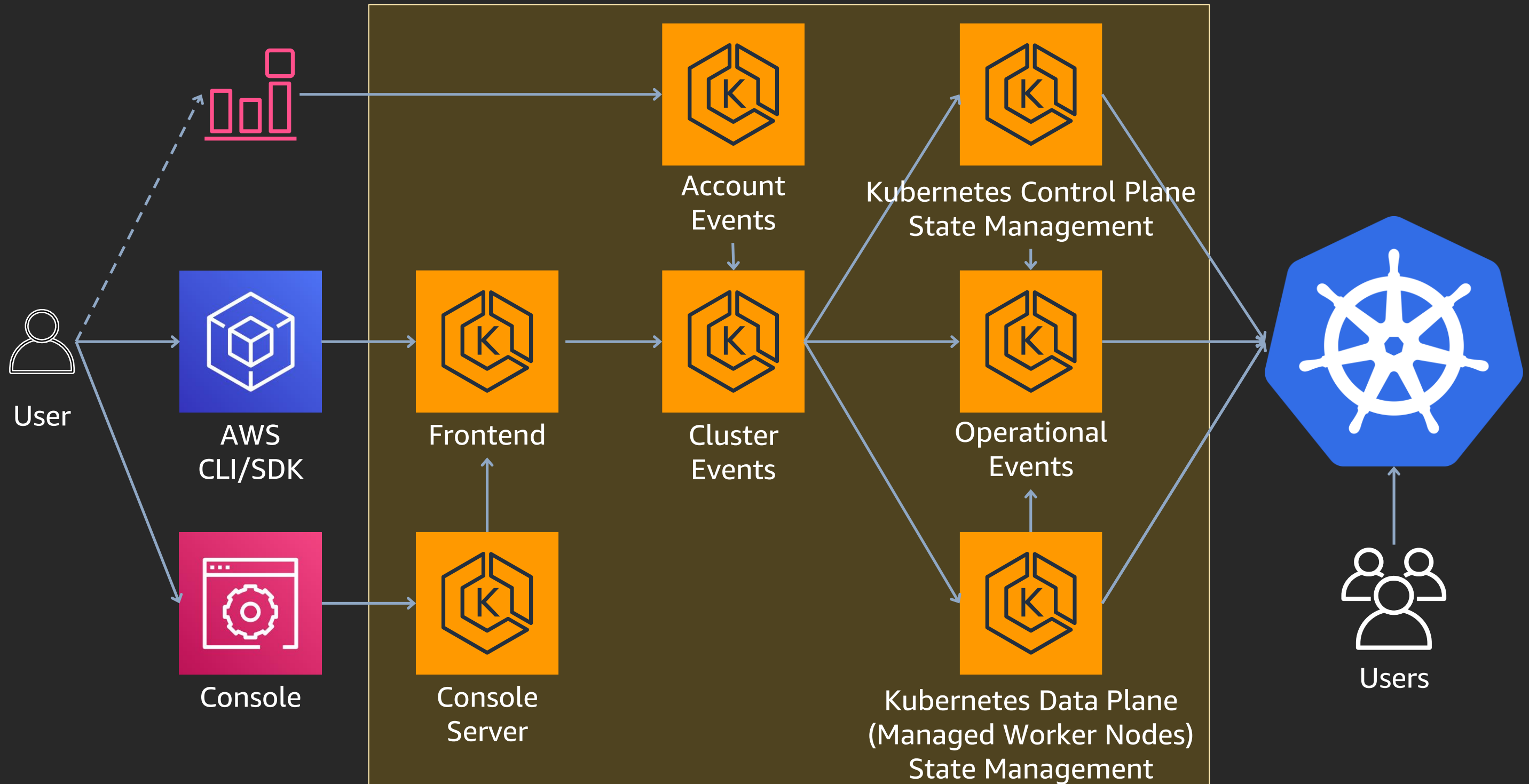
- Region – top level of isolation
 - Force majeure, hurricane, asteroid (space junk), earthquake, other significant event
- Availability Zone – subdivides region geographically
 - Localized event, natural disasters, lightning, tornado, power grid failure, civil unrest
- AWS Account – subdivides region by resource ownership
 - Security isolation, limit management, load partitioning (shard)

1 cell = 1 AWS account

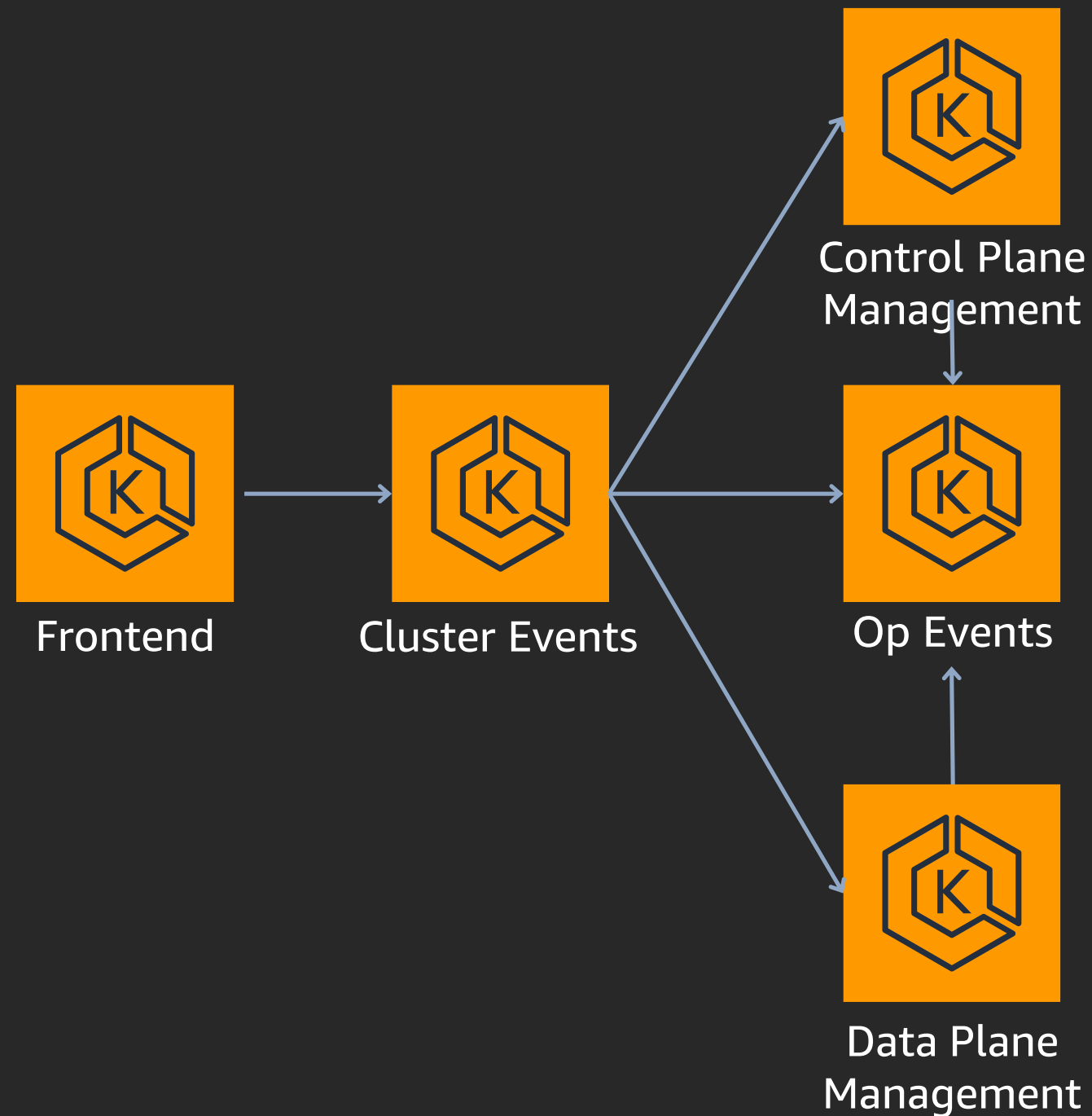
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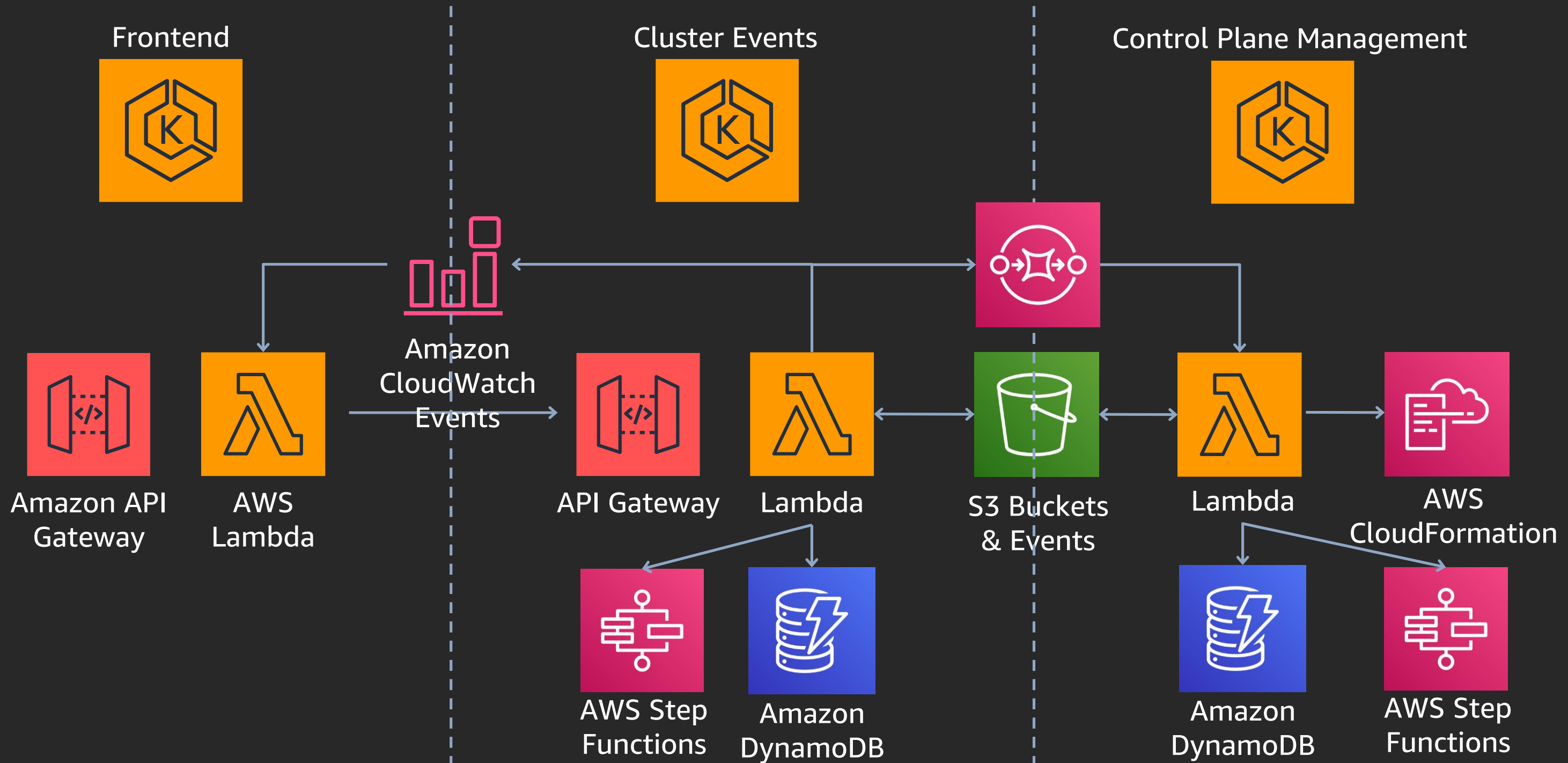
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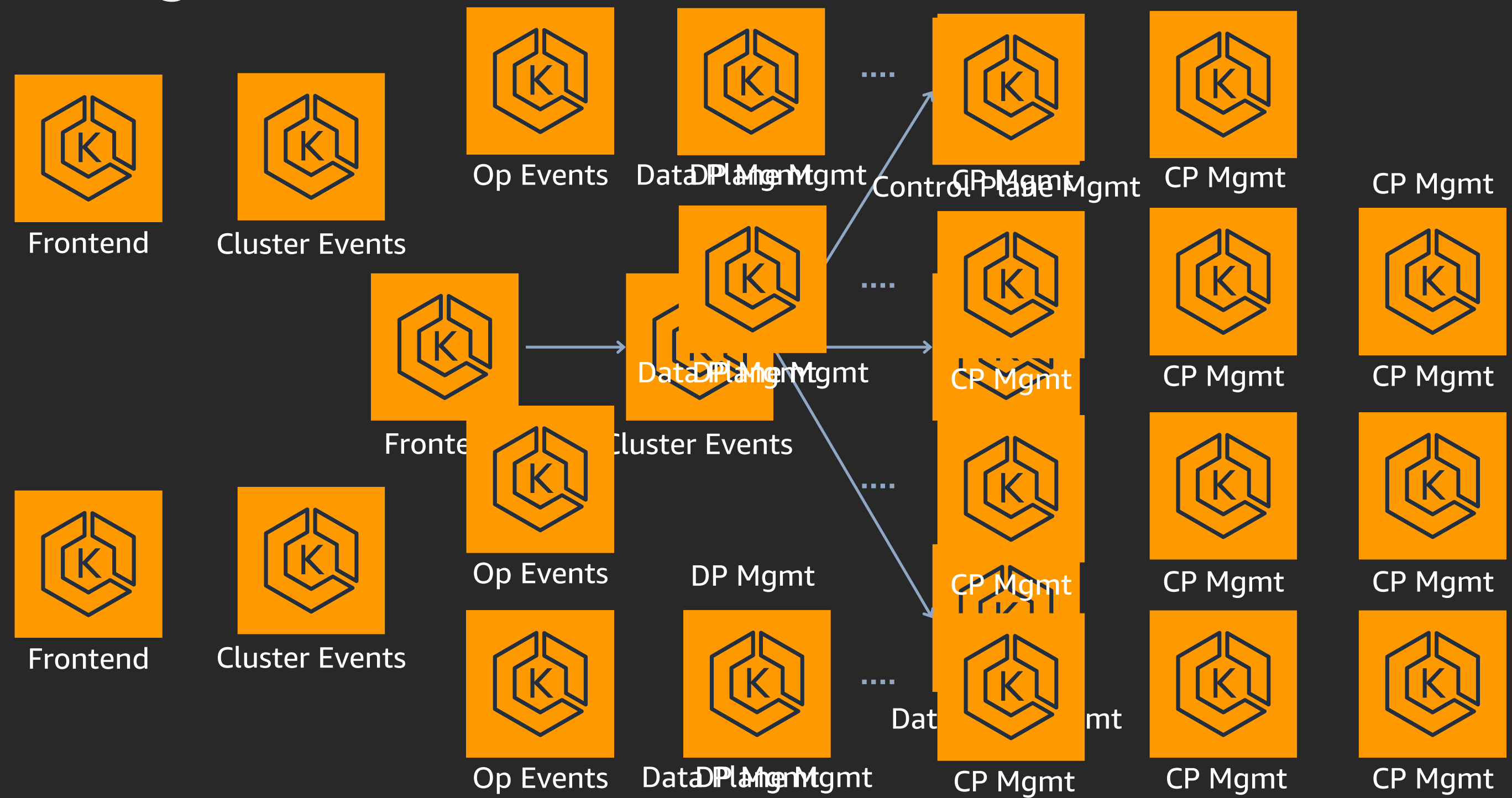
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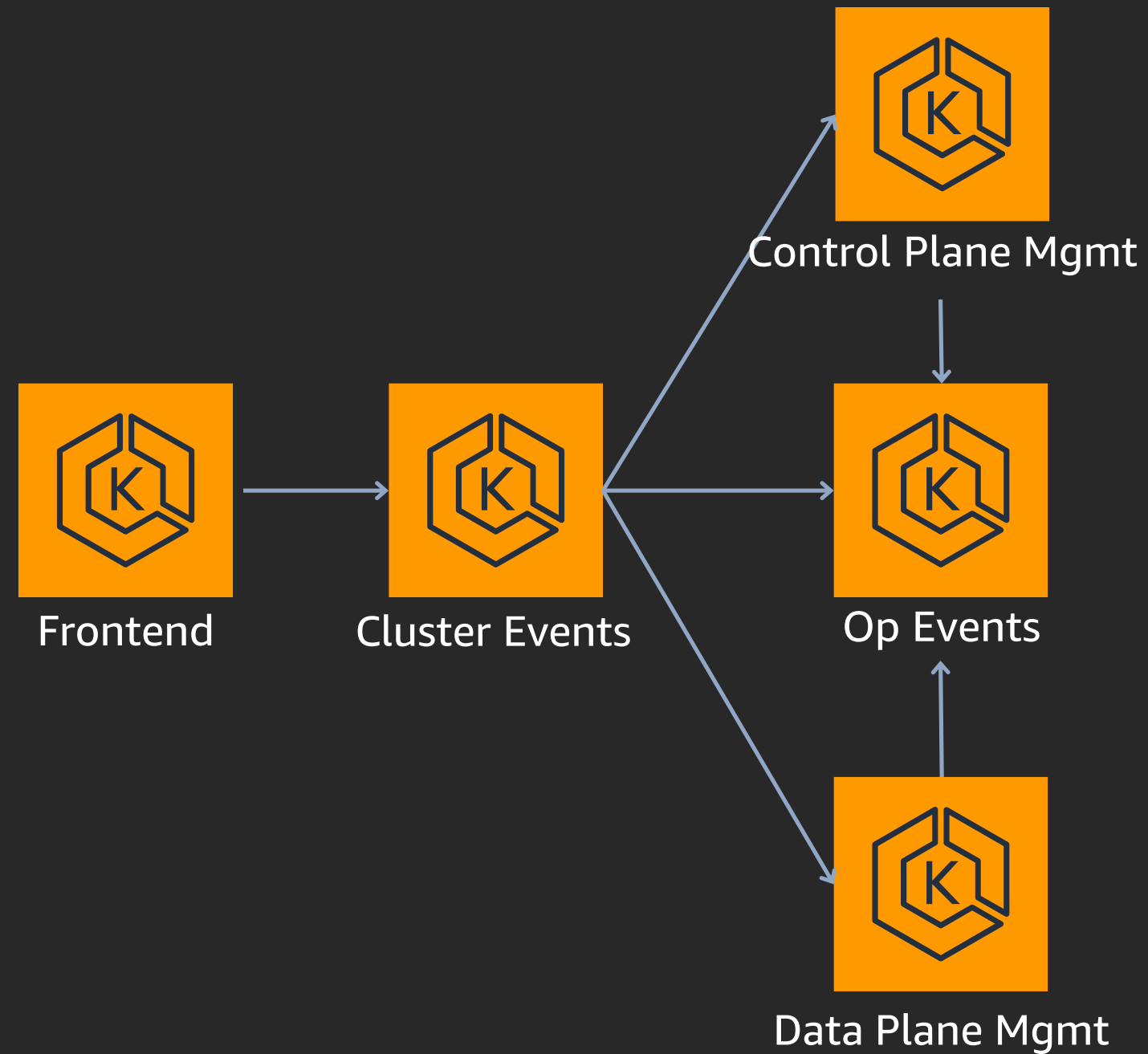


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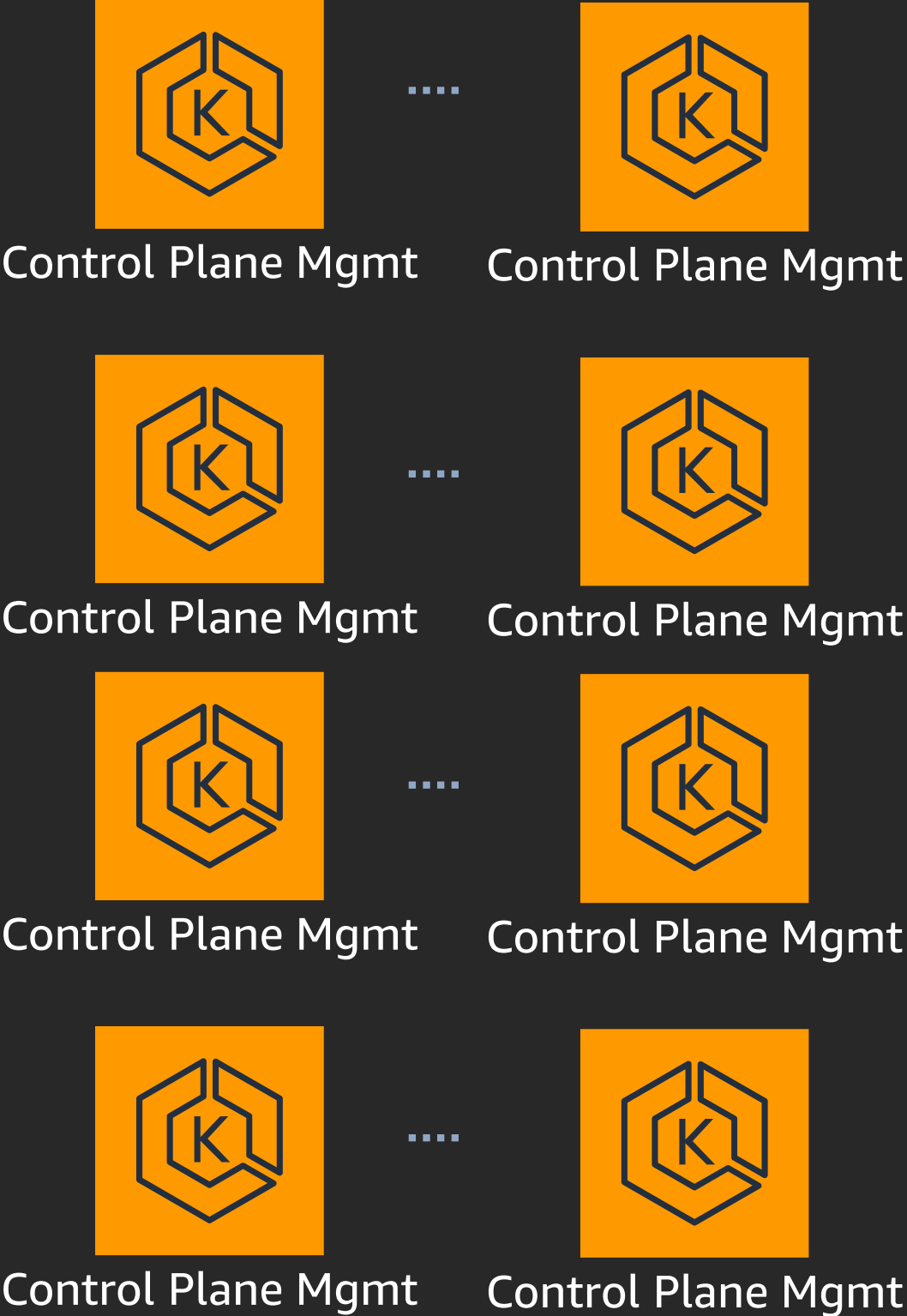


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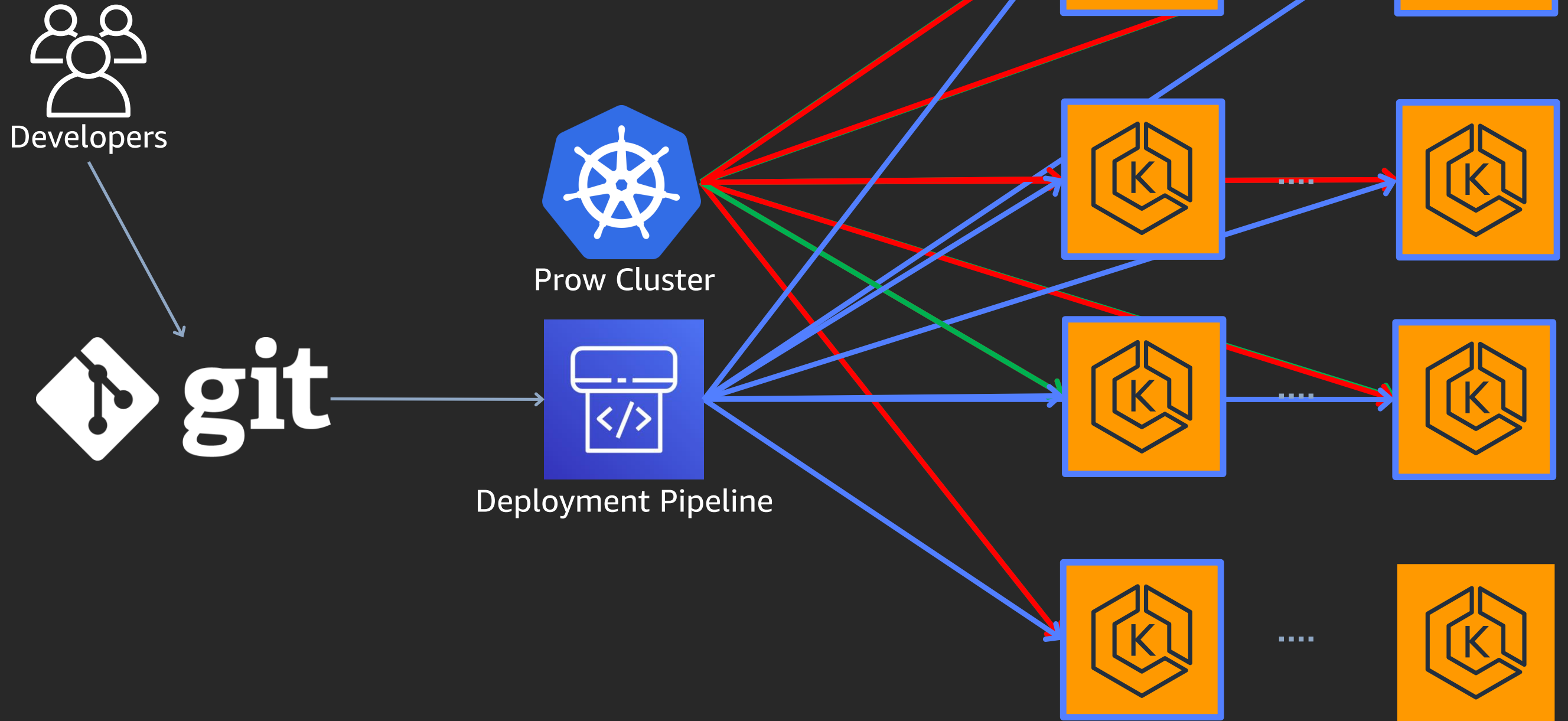
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CP Mgmt



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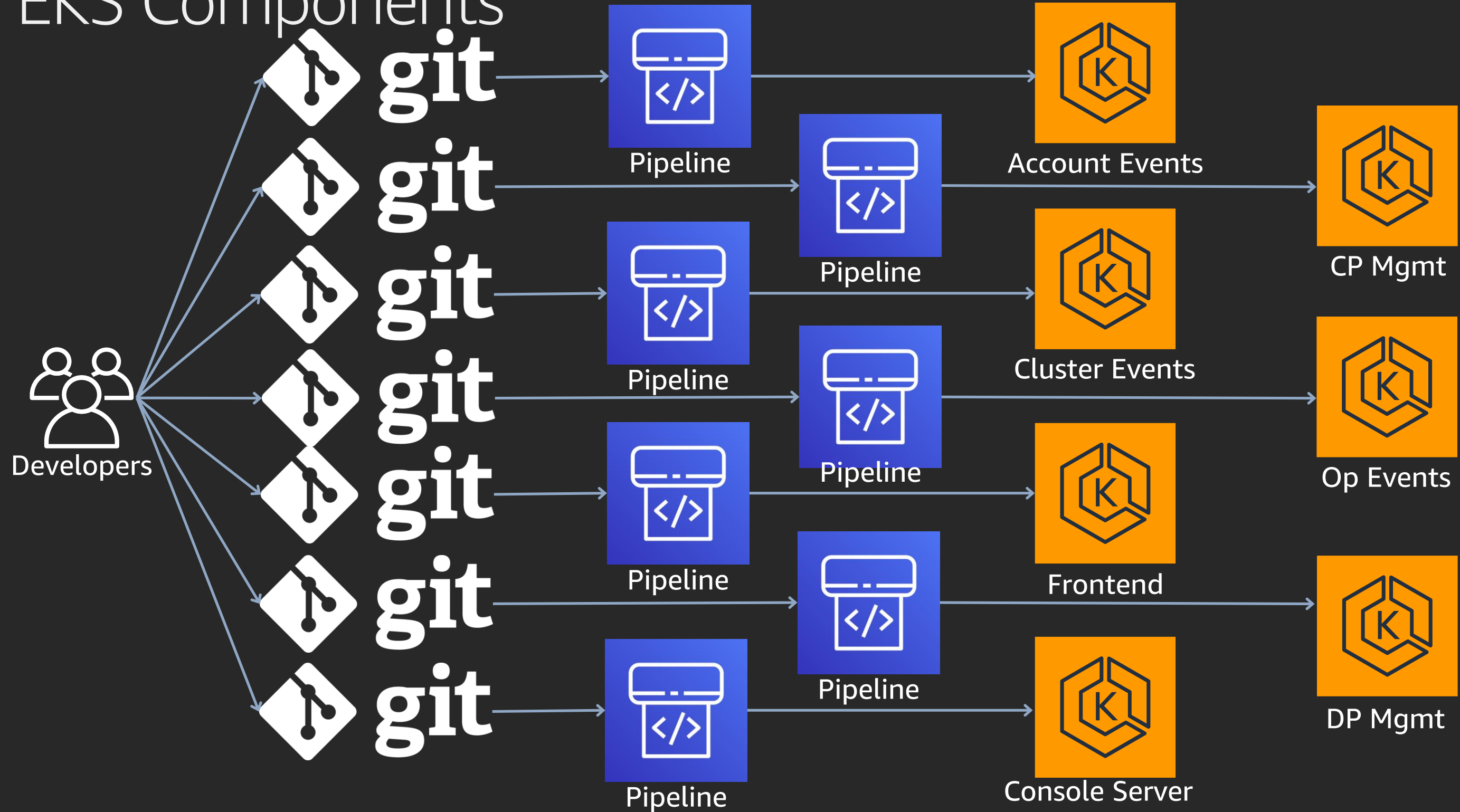


Console Server



DP Mgmt

EKS Components



EKS Enhancements: What we've been up to

The year in review

Security & Reliability

- ISO, SOC 123, and PCI compliance
- 99.9% Service Level Agreement
- Cluster creation limit raised to 50 per region
- API Server Endpoint Access Control
- Control Plane Logs in Amazon CloudWatch
- AWS IAM authenticator integration
- EKS v1.10 and 1.11 end of life
- Amazon ECR PrivateLink support
- Kubernetes pod security policies
- AWS IAM for Service Accounts
- Cluster tagging

Regions & Versions

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- Support for Kubernetes versions 1.11, 1.12, 1.13, and 1.14

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- A1 (ARM) instance support (preview)
- EKS-Optimized AMI AWS Systems Manager parameters

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- Support for Public IP Addresses Within Cluster VPCs
- AWS ALB Ingress Controller
- Amazon VPC CNI plugin v1.3, 1.4, 1.5

Tooling

- AWS App Mesh controller
- Managed Cluster Version Updates
- CloudWatch Container Insights
- eksctl as the official EKS CLI

AWS Node Termination Handler

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Machine Learning

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All since re:Invent 2018

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AWS IAM Roles for Service Accounts

Secure

IAM policy restrictions can restrict roles to Service Accounts or Namespaces

Enables isolated AWS permissions per Service Account

Credentials are automatically rotated

The cluster's signing key is automatically rotated

Easy Integration

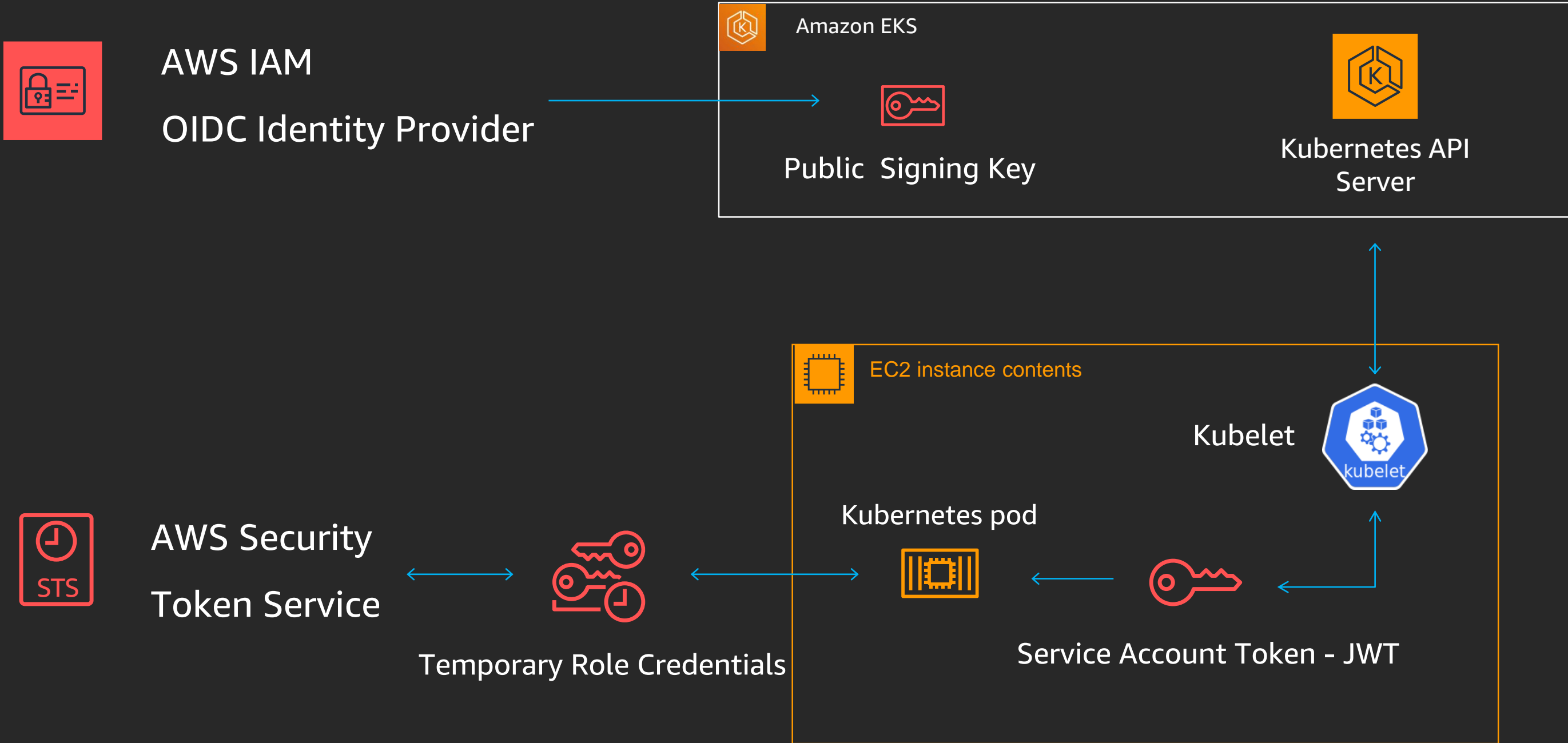
Annotate the Service Account

Built into the default credential chains in the AWS SDKs and CLI

Auditable

Service Account names are logged in AWS CloudTrail

AWS IAM Roles for Service Accounts



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Security

p1
Reliability



Investments in security and reliability

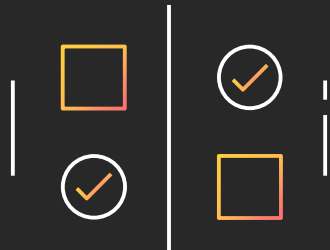
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- Version qualification and release
- Security Patching
- Operations tooling

EKS Enhancements: Things you're gonna love

AWS Fargate for Amazon EKS

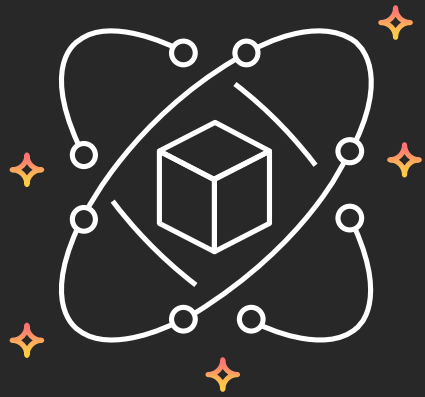


Fargate is a serverless compute platform for containers on AWS



The differences between using EKS and ECS with Fargate are driven by the orchestration system.

AWS Fargate for Amazon EKS



Bring existing pods

You don't need to change your existing pods.

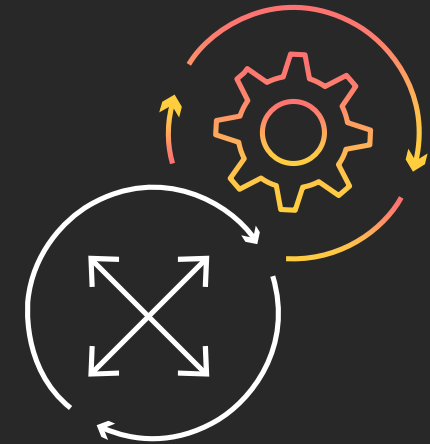
Fargate works with existing workflows and services that run on Kubernetes.



Production Ready

Launch pods quickly. Easily run pods across multiple AZs for high availability.

Each pod runs in an isolated VM compute environment.

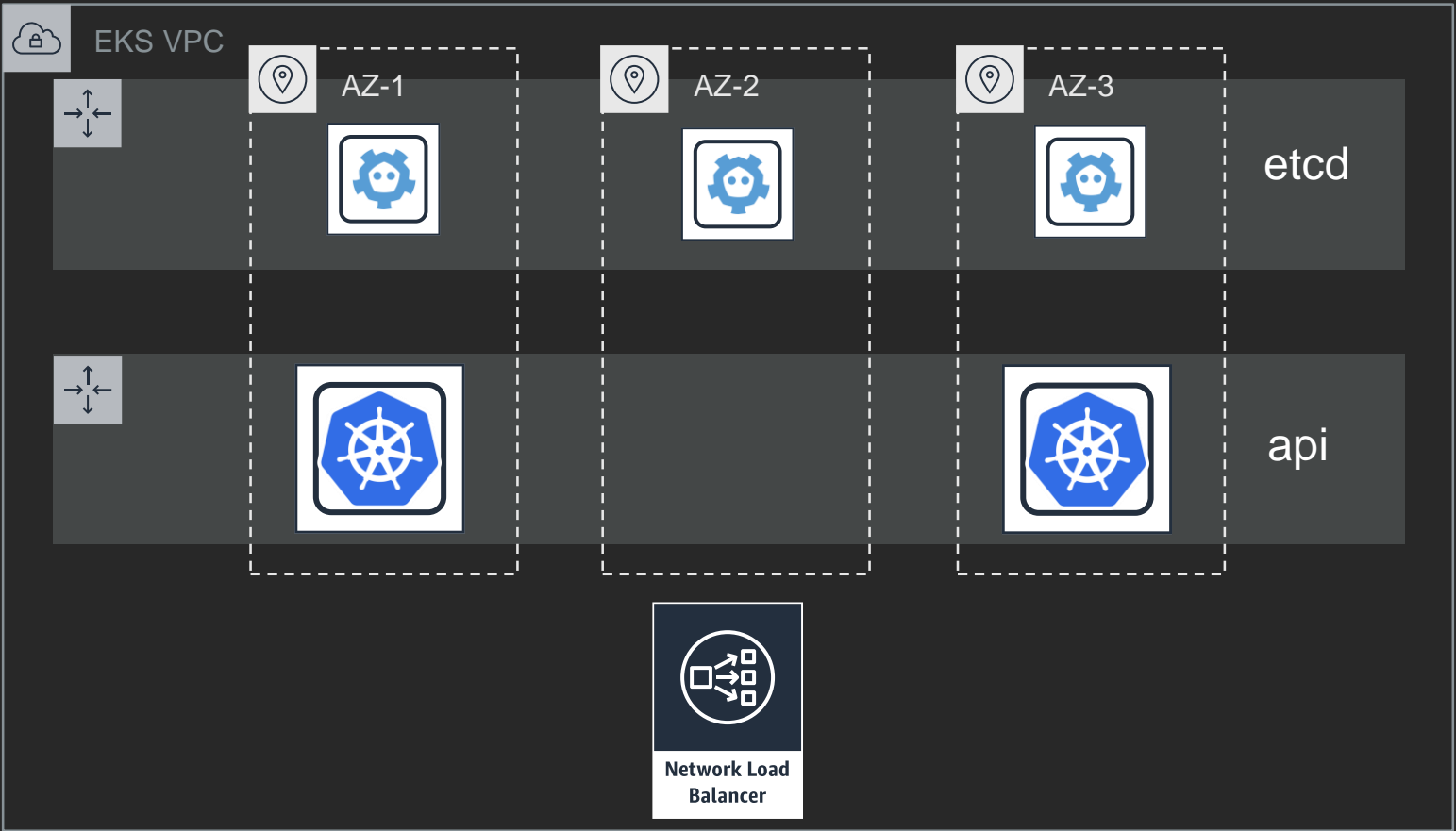


Right-Sized and Integrated

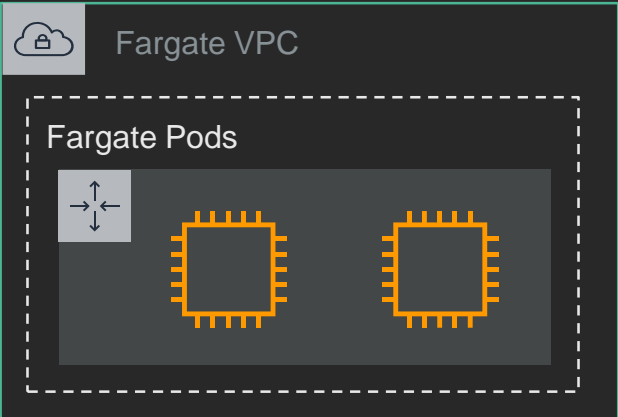
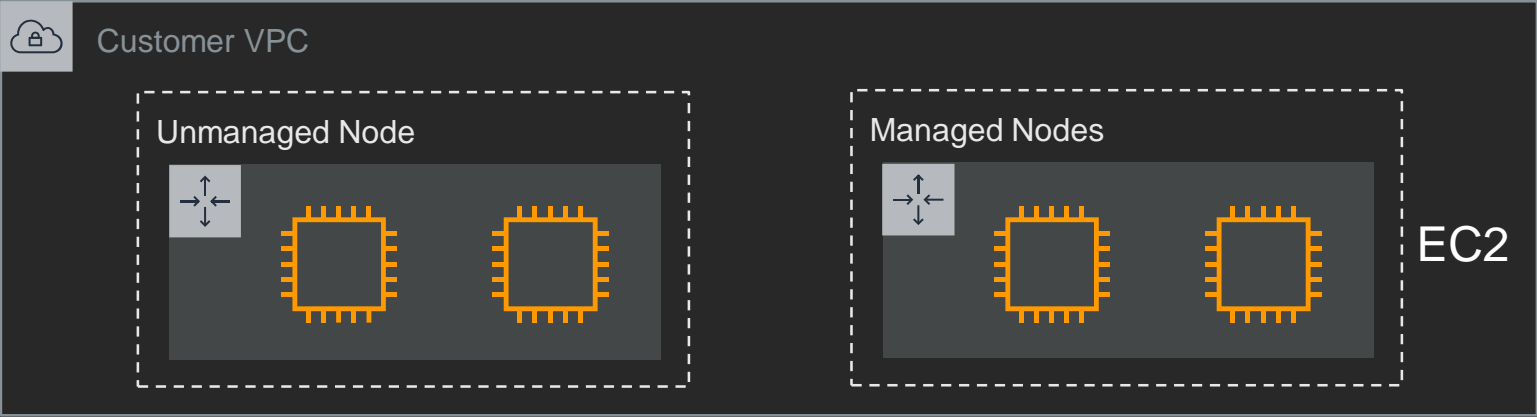
Only pay for the resources you need to run your pods.

Includes native AWS integrations for networking and security.

EKS Cluster Architecture



EKS Managed
Control Plane



EKS
Data Plane

EKS Fargate profile template

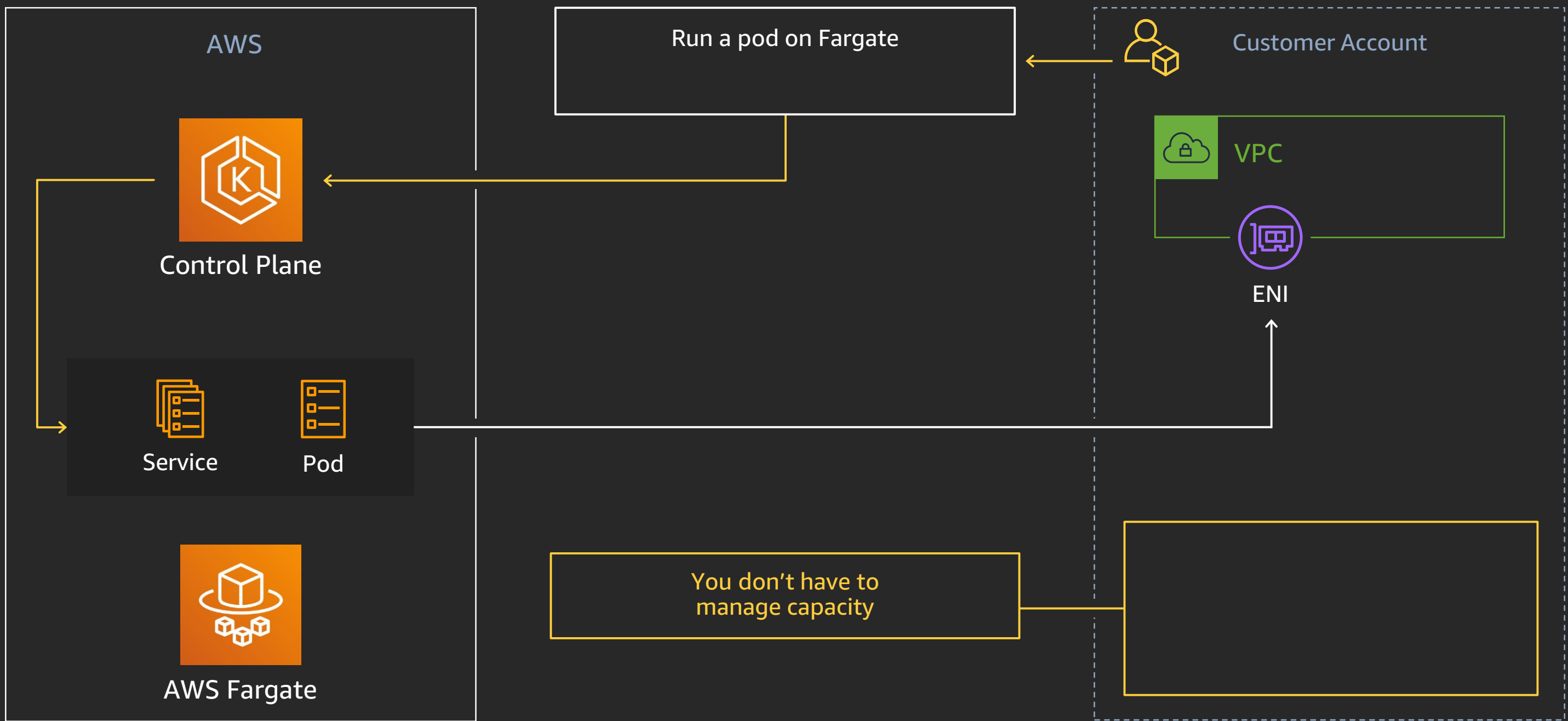
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Subnets to launch the pods in

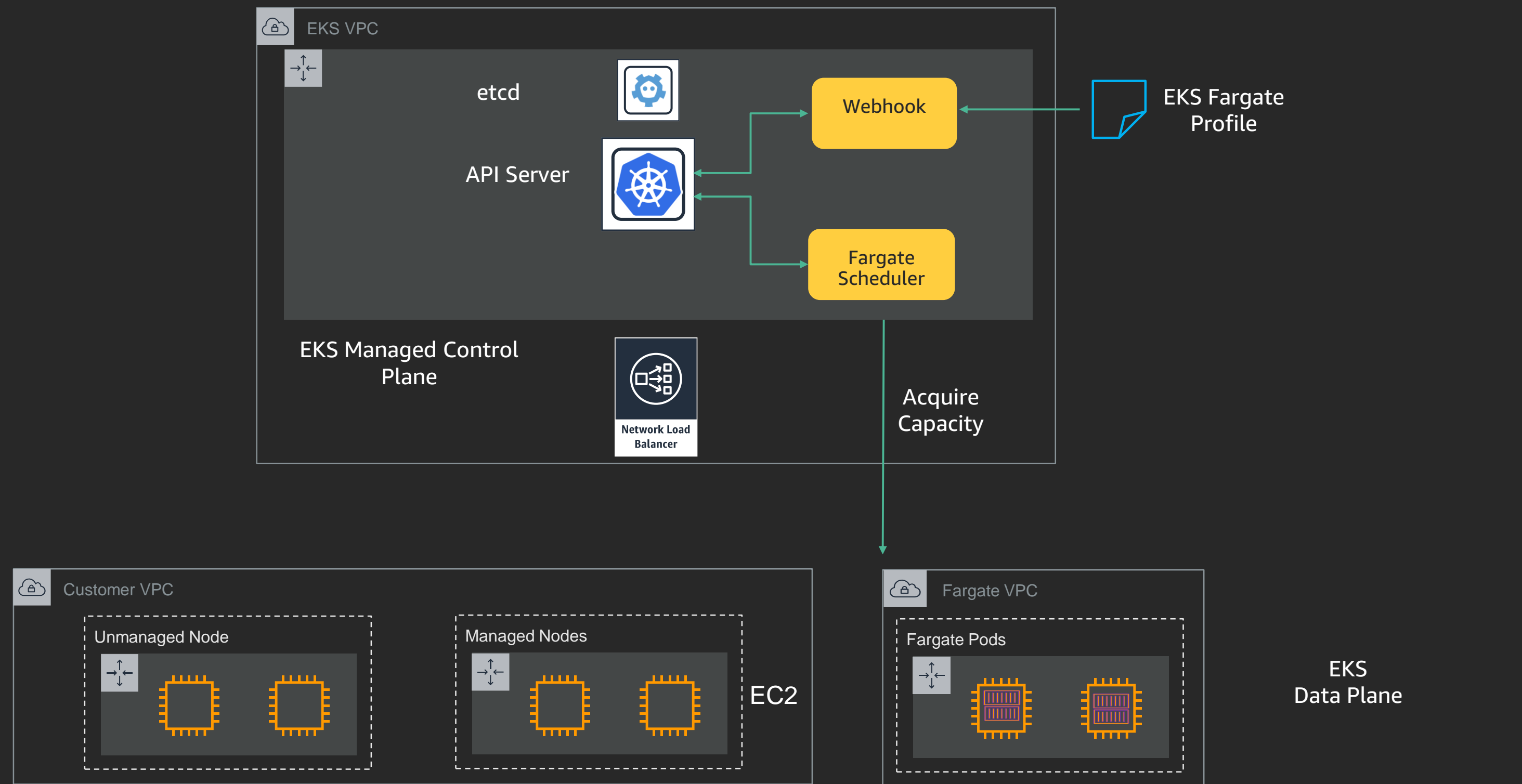
Selection criteria into Fargate

IAM Role to be associated to the kubelet

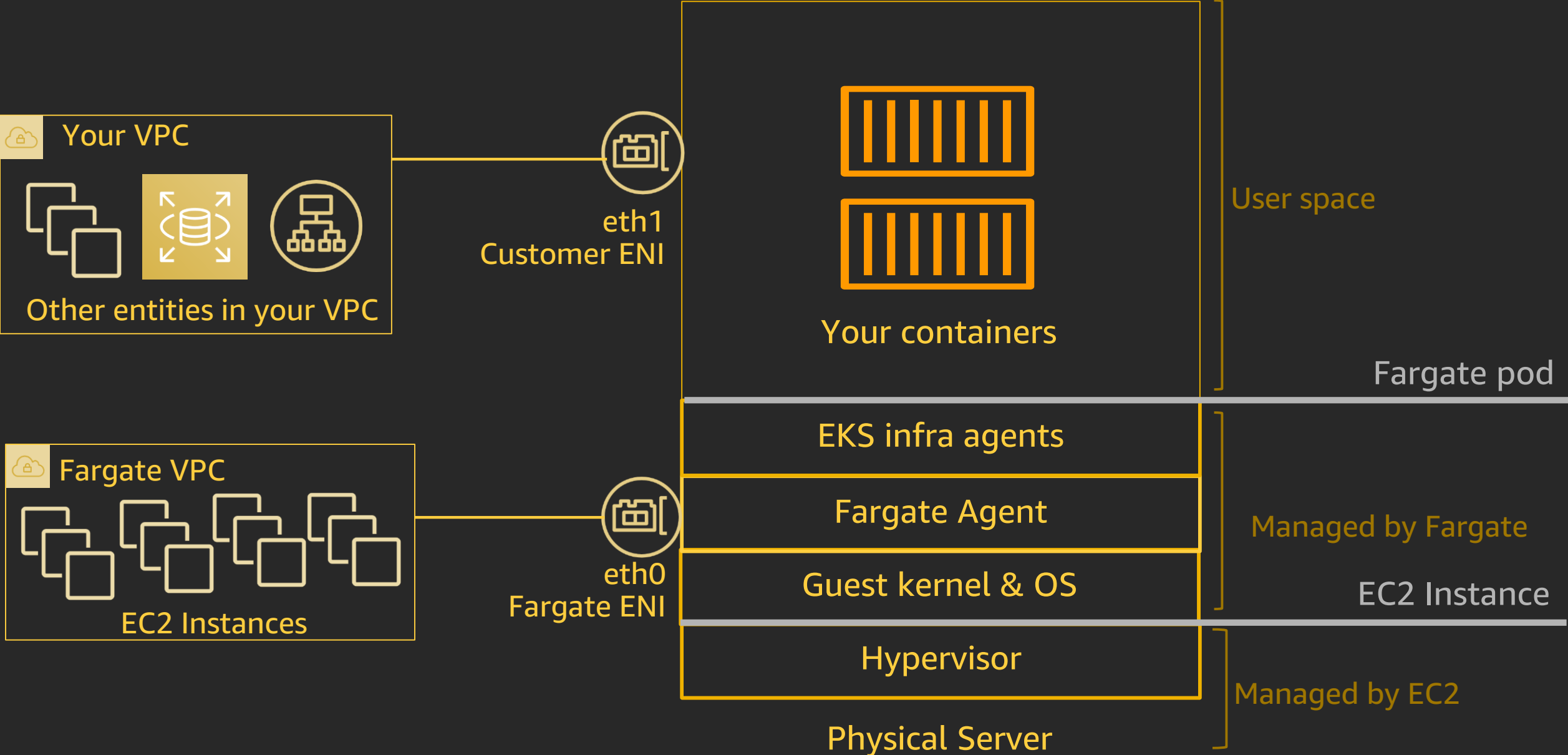
EKS Fargate flow at 33,000 feet



EKS Fargate Architecture



EKS Fargate Data Plane



Recap: EKS Fargate UX changes

Things you no longer need to do

- ✔ Manage Kubernetes worker nodes
- ✔ Pay for unused capacity
- ✔ Use K8s Cluster Autoscaler (CA)

Things you get out of the box

- ✔ VM isolation at pod level
- ✔ Pod level billing
- ✔ Easy chargeback in multi tenant scenarios

Things you can't do (for now)

- ✘ Deploy Daemonsets
- ✘ Use service type LoadBalancer (CLB/NLB)
- ✘ Running privileged containers
- ✘ Run stateful workloads

EKS Fargate Availability

Available today for all new 1.14 clusters

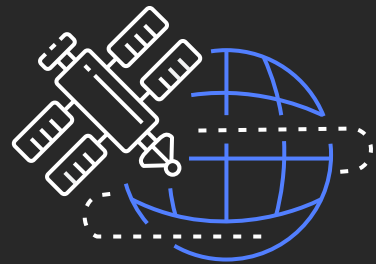
- Create a new cluster
- Update a 1.13 cluster to 1.14

Use EKS with Fargate in

- Virginia (us-east-1)
- Ohio (us-east-2)
- Dublin (eu-west-1)
- Tokyo (ap-northeast-1)

EKS Enhancements: What's Next?

Our vision for EKS



**Globally
available**



Easy to use



**Production
ready**



Cost-effective



**High-
performance**

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All the building blocks of Kubernetes
in one place

Snap Service Mesh on EKS

Snap service mesh ...

Infrastructure layer providing foundation for SOA enables core capabilities by default at the platform level

- Security by default
- Standardized traffic management and routing policies:
 - Service discovery—Just call `<service>.snap`
 - Zonal affinity and regional proximity to favor closest endpoints
 - Traffic splitting, mirroring, and failover
 - Automatic resilience and circuit breakers
- Observability by default

Standardizing service infrastructure across clouds



Amazon Elastic
Kubernetes Service

Amazon EKS: Compute, application, and sidecar management



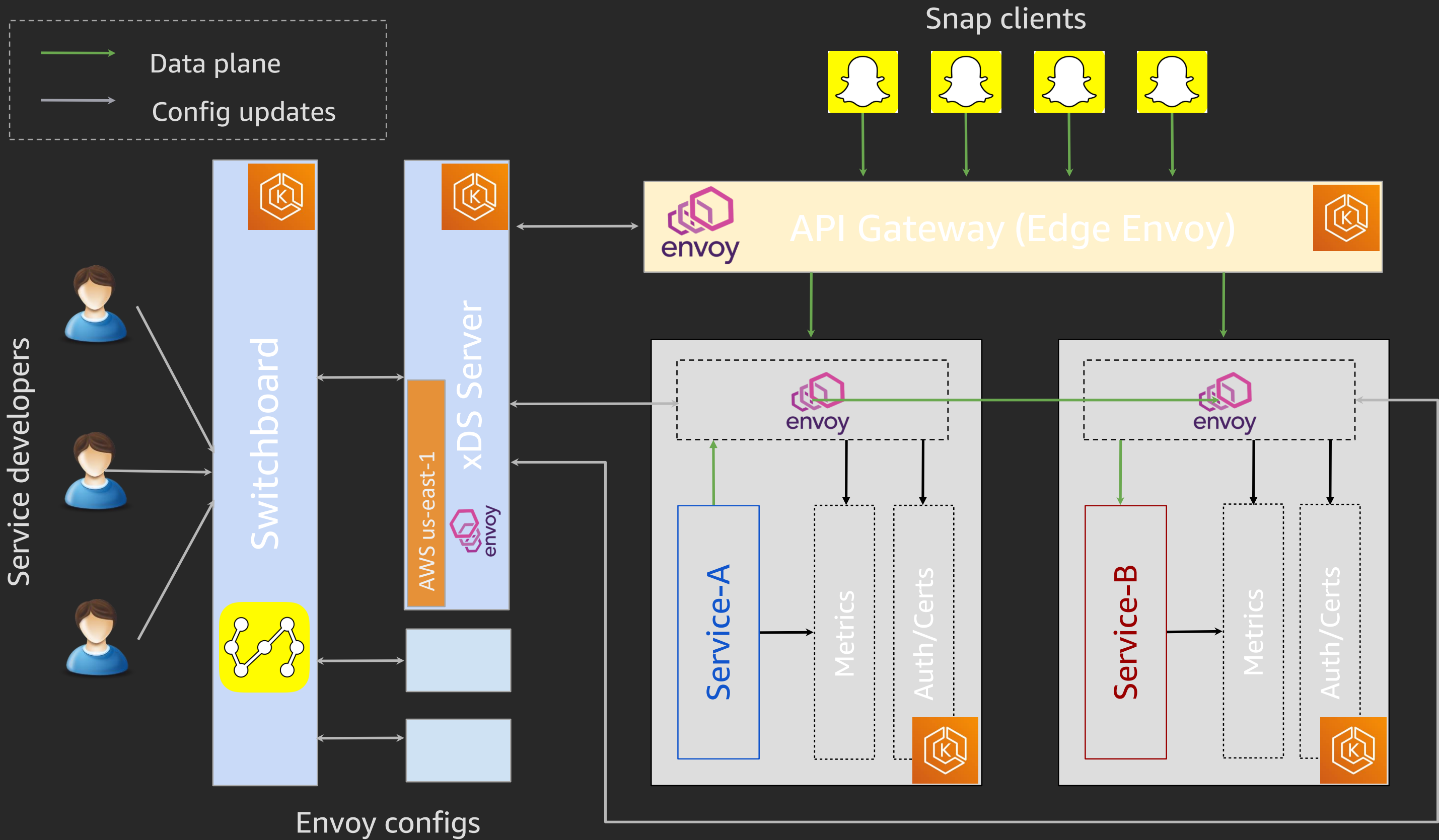
Envoy Data plane operations:
Load-balancing, traffic routing, observability, and security controls



Switchboard:
In-house control plane for managing services, routes, and security policies



Spinnaker: Deployment orchestration and safe rollouts



Architectural design choices for AWS

- **Accounts**
 - One shared account for compute and network
 - Service data is isolated into separate accounts
- **Compute: Amazon EKS**
 - One EKS cluster per group of correlated services
 - ~300 EKS clusters in 4 mesh regions (as large as ~3K nodes)
- **Network: > 4M QPS in AWS Regions**
 - One VPC/Region, with subnets in 3 AZs
 - Security perimeter at the edge
 - Network-level protection: Security groups, network ACLs, resource access policy

Shared mesh account
us-east-1 VPC



Service-A

Service-B



us-east1-a

us-east1-b

us-east1-c

us-east1-a

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Pod IPs

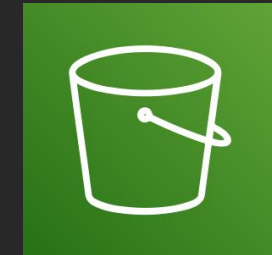


Amazon ElastiCache
for Redis

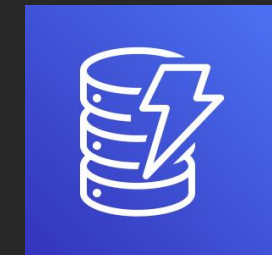
Security group
rule blocking

Resource access
policy

Service-B
data account



Amazon Simple
Storage Service



Amazon DynamoDB



Amazon Elastic
Container Registry

Tooling for common service requirements

- **Resource management:**

- Automate Amazon EKS cluster provisioning, and version upgrades
- Standardize cluster add-ons: Cluster Auto Scaler, CoreDNS, and CNI
- Per-service AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM) roles and granular access controls



Switchboard

Services

Gateway Routes

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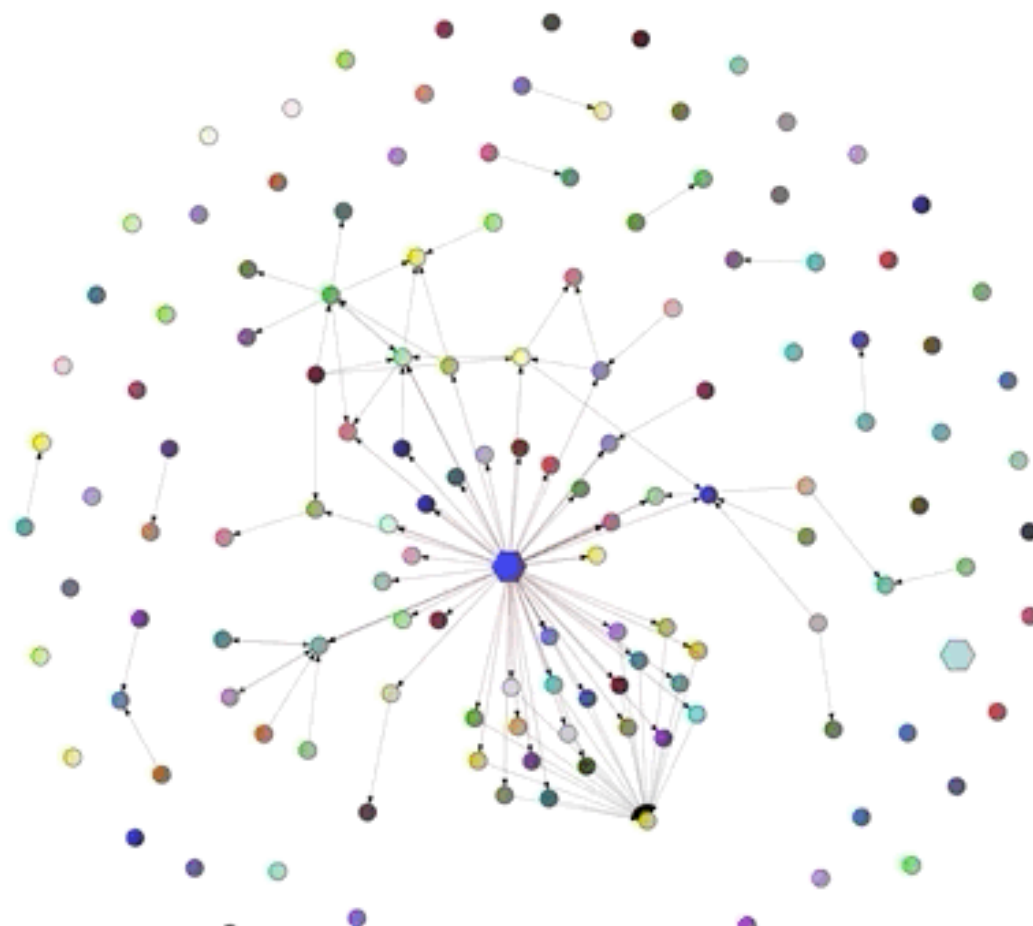
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New Service

Service Graph

● Service ● Gateway



Tooling for common service requirements

- **Standardize service deployments**
 - Injection and upgrades of common sidecar containers
 - Default best practices through Spinnaker pipelines:
 - Uniform pod distribution per zone
 - Safe rollouts with integrated health checks

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demo service for Spinnaker Summit slides

Clusters

Register New Cluster

Clusters represent a service's deployments across different stages, regions, and clouds.

Staging[Operator lease](#)[Manage AWS IAM Roles](#)

default.aws-us-west-2.STAGING ●

AWS

us-west-2

Security Updates Needed

Edit

Dependencies

Declaring a dependency adds Example's LCA issuers to the dependency's auth whitelist. Call dependencies using `http://<service-id>.snap` URLs [that route through the Envoy sidecar](#).

Request New Service Dependency

Consumers

Service mesh consumers can call this service via `http://example.snap`. [Read more](#).

This service has no consumers yet.

Cloud Resources

New Kubernetes Cluster

Kubernetes clusters associated with this service.

Looking ahead—Amazon EKS features to consume

- IAM roles for service accounts:
 - Least privilege: Scope permissions at the pod level instead of worker nodes
 - Access isolation between pods
- Managed worker node groups:
 - Node draining and graceful node shutdown
 - Integrated cluster Auto-Scaling (with multi-AZ node group)
 - Simplified cluster upgrade experience
- Managed cluster add-ons
 - Metrics server
 - CoreDNS auto-scaling

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IT'S STILL DAY ONE . . .

Thank you!

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