Behavioral Patterns

The patterns under this category are focused around the communication mechanisms and interactions between the Pods and the managing platform. Depending on the type of managing controller, a Pod may run until completion, or be scheduled to run periodically. It can run as a *Daemon Service*, or provide uniqueness guarantees to its replicas. There are different ways to run a Pod and picking the right Pod management primitives requires understanding their behavior. In the following chapters, we explore the patterns:

- Chapter 7, *Batch Job*, describes an isolated atomic unit of work run until completion.
- Chapter 8, *Periodic Job*, allows the execution of a unit of work to be triggered by a temporal event.
- Chapter 9, *Daemon Service*, allows running infrastructure-focused Pods on specific nodes, before application Pods are placed.
- Chapter 10, *Singleton Service*, ensures only one instance of a service is active at a time and still highly available.
- Chapter 11, *Stateful Service*, is all about how to create and manage distributed stateful applications with Kubernetes.
- Chapter 12, *Service Discovery*, explains how clients can access and discover the instances providing application services.
- Chapter 13, *Self Awareness*, describes mechanisms for introspection and metadata injection into applications.