

Connecting Workloads Across OpenShift Clusters

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Agenda

- What is Hybrid Cloud Networking
- Submariner project
- Red Hat and Submariner



Kubernetes Adoption Leads to Multi-Cluster

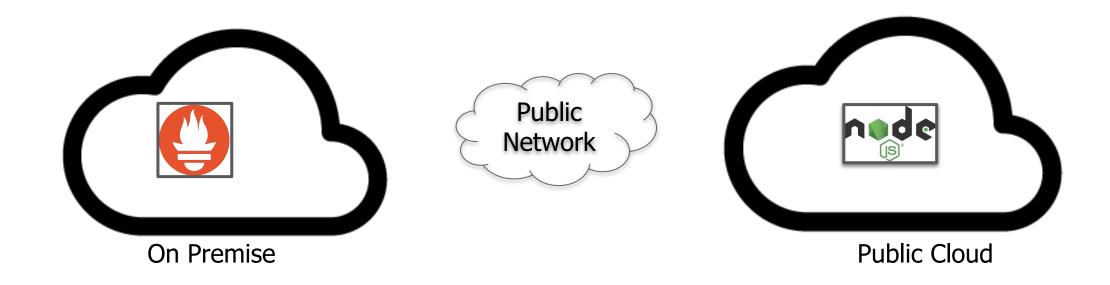
"As Kubernetes gains adoption across the industry, scenarios are arising in which teams are finding **they must deploy and** manage multiple clusters, either in a single region on-premises or in the cloud, or across multiple regions...."

Gartner Inc., March 2020

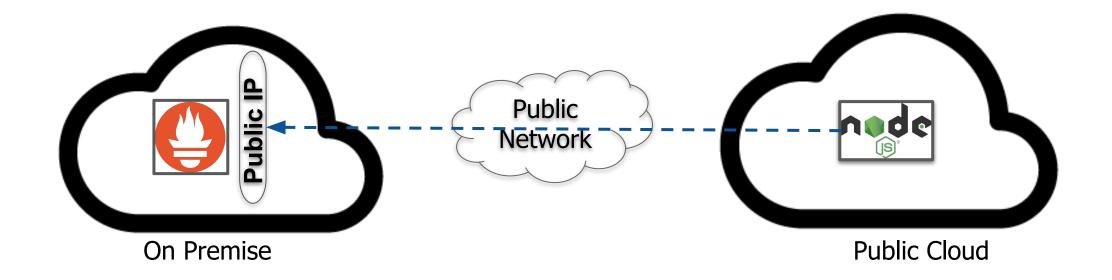


Allow organizations to **connect** and **scale** workloads across **multiple clusters** on public and private clouds in a **secure** and **seamless** manner.

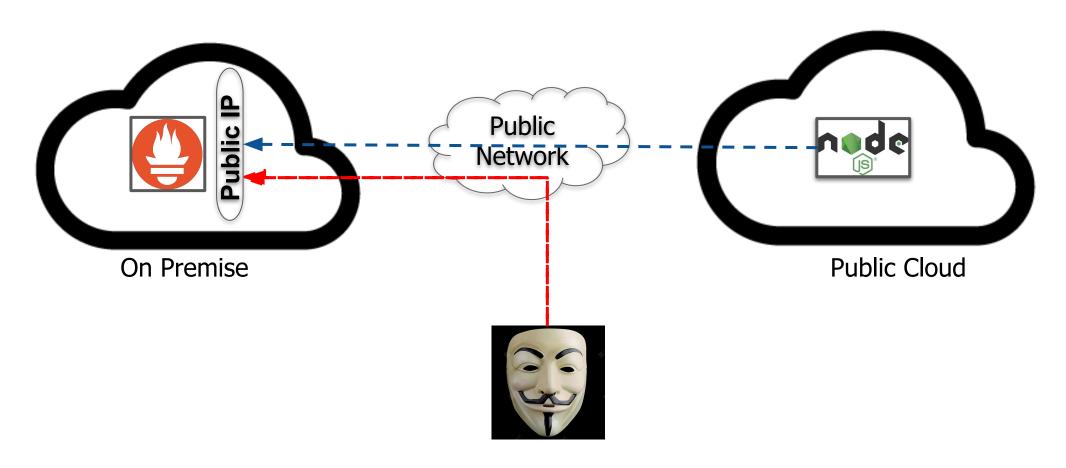




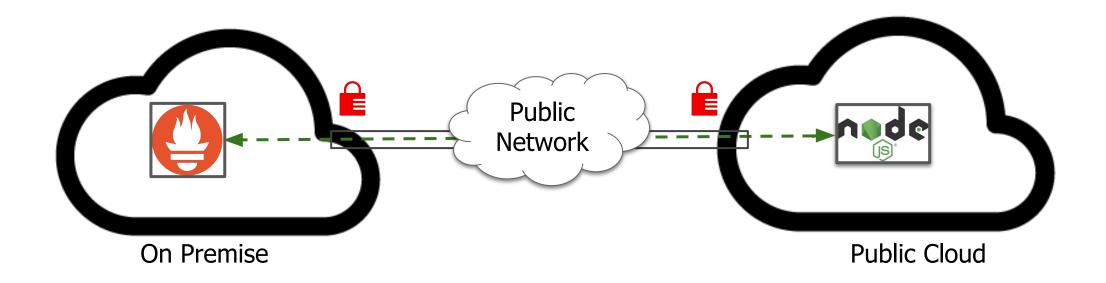






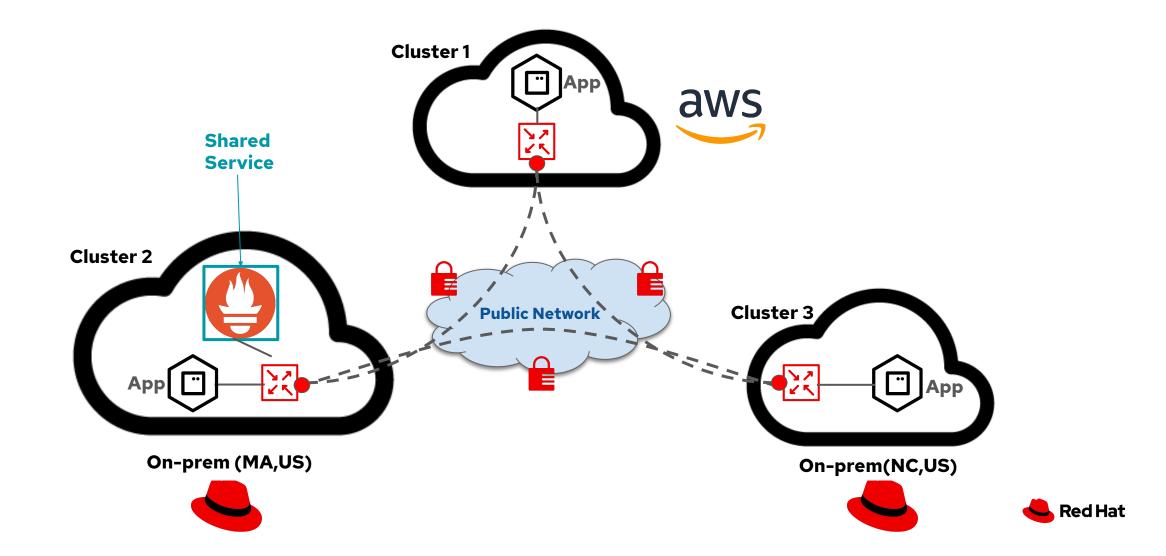




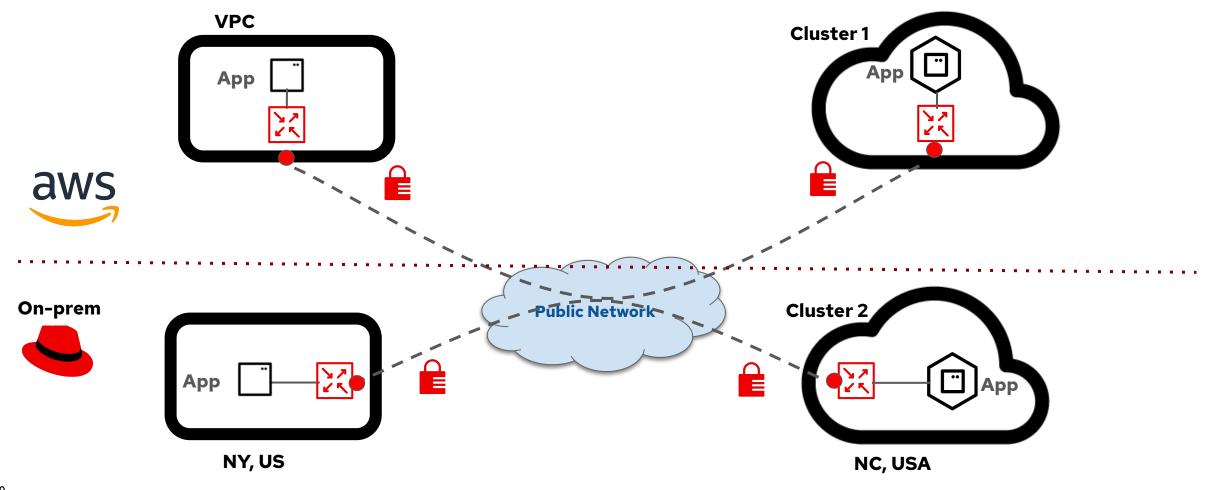




Shared Service



Connecting non-Kubernetes Workloads





Additional Use Cases

- Disaster Recovery (DR) and storage replication
- Scale out
- Geo-Distribution / User proximity
- Split stateless and stateful apps



Multi-cluster Networking with Submariner



Disclaimer

This is active research and development, with support expected in an upcoming OpenShift release.



Introducing Submariner

- An add-on to OpenShift Container Platform that enables direct network connectivity between multiple clusters
- Exposes a set of new custom resources backed by the Kubernetes datastore
 - o clusters.submariner.io, endpoints.submariner.io
- Available as a Developer Preview via OperatorHub.io (not officially supported)
- Open source, vendor neutral project: https://github.com/submariner-io





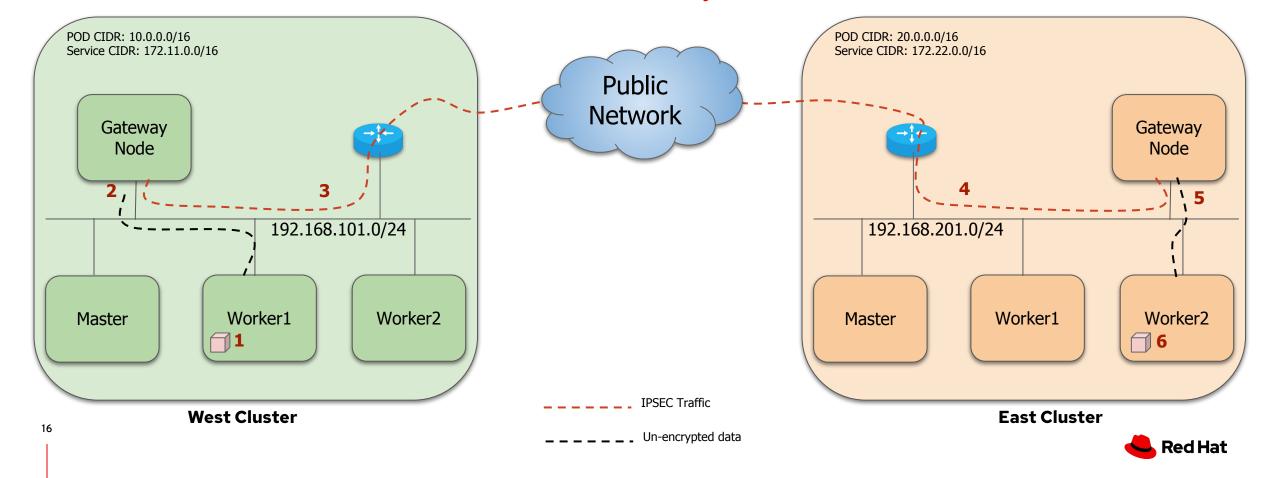
What is Submariner?

- Enable direct pod-to-pod and pod-to-service communication across clusters
 - o Provides L3 network reachability to support any application (TCP/UDP) on top
 - Benefits the wider OpenShift ecosystem and other Red Hat platforms
- Traffic flow between clusters is *encrypted* by default
- Extend existing SDN-based OpenShift deployments to other clusters
 - Compatible with different CNI plugins
- Also addresses the challenge of cross-cluster service discovery and network policy
 - Via the Lighthouse and Coastguard (coming soon) sub-projects



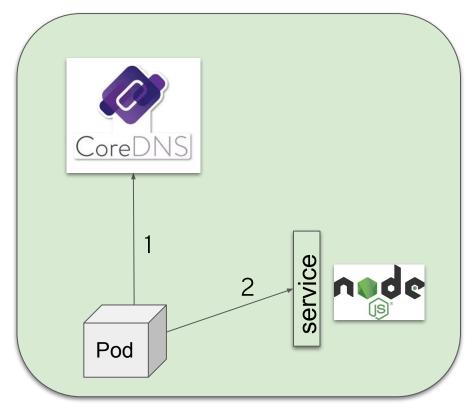
Submariner Overview

Connectivity

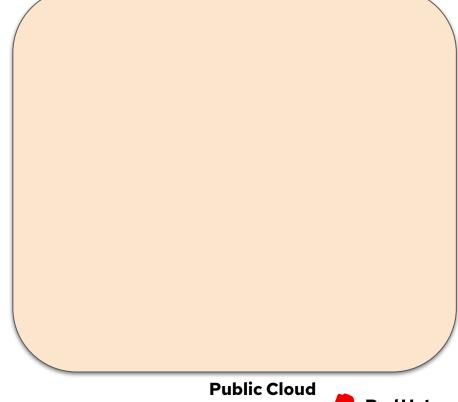


- https://github.com/submariner-io/lighthouse
- Lighthouse facilitates DNS discovery in multi-cluster connected environments
- An application does not need to know where the service is running -- it accesses local and remote services in the same manner

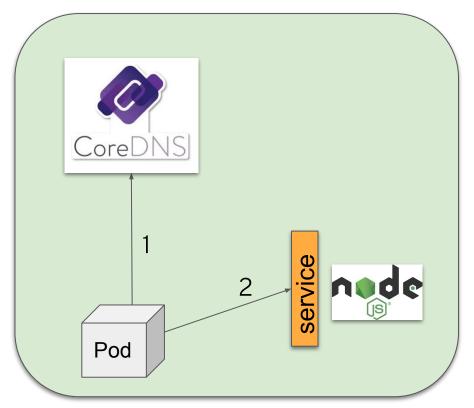




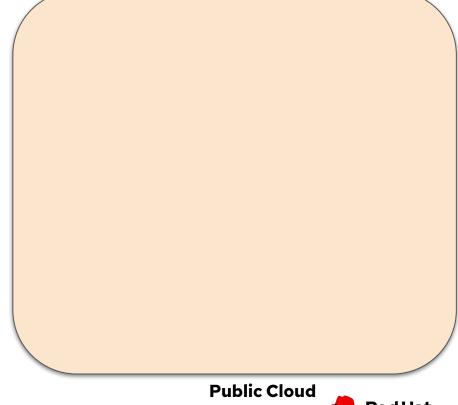




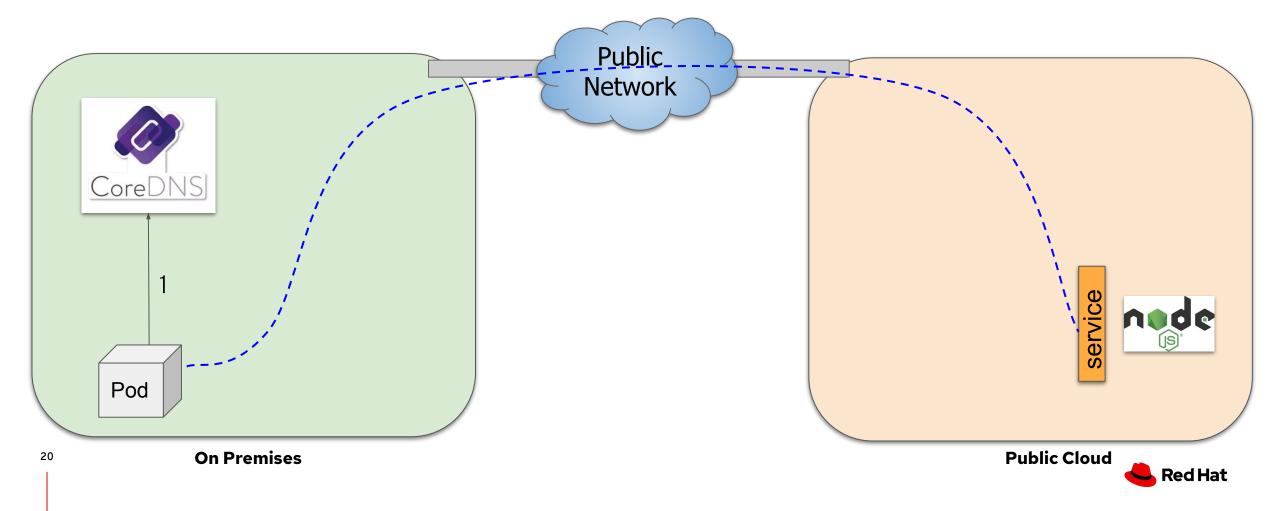
On Premises







On Premises



What is available today?

- Cross-cluster L3 connectivity
 - Using encrypted VPN tunnels | <u>demo recordina</u>
- An operator-based deployment
 - A single line installation process | <u>demo recording</u>
- Service Discovery across clusters
 - To facilitate multi-cluster DNS | <u>demo recording</u>
- Support for overlapping IP addresses
 - Can interconnect clusters with overlapping CIDRs | demo in the works, check our YouTube channel!



What are we looking at next?

- Support for additional VPN technologies
 - LibreSwan, WireGuard
- Support for finer-grained cluster connectivity options
 - Avoid full-mesh (default) and enable other topologies
- Gateway node High Availability (HA)
 - o For robustness and scale

- Monitoring & debuggability
 - Monitor VPN tunnel status and stats
- Cross-cluster Network Policy (Coastguard)
 - Extending network policy beyond a single cluster
- Connecting non-Kubernetes workloads
 - Connecting VPC endpoints or OpenStack deployments



Collaborating with Us

- Upstream community
 - Website: https://submariner-io.github.io/en/
 - GitHub: https://github.com/submariner-io
 - Mailing-list: https://groups.google.com/forum/#!forum/submariner-dev
 - YouTube: https://tinyurl.com/submariner-youtube
 - Slack (Kubernetes space): #submariner
- Red Hat
 - We are currently seeking design partners and early adopters willing to try out Submariner and give us feedback!



Visit our (virtual) booth!

- We have a booth as part of the virtual Community Central
- Come visit us! People from the Red Hat Submariner team are there to chat with you and answer any questions:)





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