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Cluster API - Yesterday, Today, Tomorrow

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Agenda

- Cluster API --
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Popular Tools

- kube-up.sh
- Kubespray Oct/2015
- Kubeadm Sep/2016
- Kops Oct/2016
- Cluster API Mar/2019



kube-up.sh

Branch	Author	Commit Hash	Date	Commit Message
v1.0.0	mbforbes	739cb2f	Jul 9, 2015	Assigned emp...
..				
addons				Merge pull req...
aws				Fix cluster mc...
azure				Robustly clea...
gce				GKE upgrade
gke				Stop exposing
images				Updating scri...
juju				Change confi...
libvirt-coreos				Add support 1
ovirt				Remove unus...
rackspace				Merge pull req...
saltbase				update kubec...
ubuntu				Missing ca cr...
vagrant				Remove unus...
vsphere				Add ga-beac...
README.md				
v1.3.0	k8s-github-robot	d0e521b	Jun 30, 2016	Added PetSet support to addon manager.
..				
addons				Merge pull request #28030 from nikhiljindal/rever...
aws				azure: azkube v0.0.5 + deploy kube-system
azure				Merge pull request #23829 from derekwaynecarr/...
centos				Merge pull request #28132 from madhusudancs/f...
gce				Merge pull request #27803 from fabioy/fix-multiz...
gke				Merge pull request #28087 from luxas/fix_hyperki...
images				cluster/juju: Updated the url for the getting started...
juju				Fix default arguments in kubemark
kubemark				Handle multiple MIGs (single-zone) properly in GK...
lib				Remove the restart-kube-proxy and restart-apise...
libvirt-coreos				Add local/util.sh
local				Merge pull request #28132 from madhusudancs/f...
mesos/docker				Merge pull request #28132 from madhusudancs/f...
openstack-heat				Merge pull request #28132 from madhusudancs/f...
ovirt				Add support for oVirt cloud provider
photon-controller				Merge pull request #28132 from madhusudancs/f...
rackspace				fix for #13511
saltbase				Merge pull request #28207 from mwielgus/ca-0.2...
skeleton				Use a skeleton provider for unimplemented functi...
ubuntu				Merge pull request #28040 from ibm-contribs/fixi...
vagrant				Merge pull request #28132 from madhusudancs/f...
vsphere				Merge pull request #28132 from madhusudancs/f...
OWNERS				Remove myself from a bunch of OWNERS files, as...
master	ixdy	089a1af	yesterday	✓
..				
addons				Merge pull requ...
gce				Merge pull requ...
images				Move ixdy to ei...
kubemark				*.sh: cleanup a...
log-dump				*.sh: cleanup a...
pre-existing				Merge pull requ...
skeleton				/cluster: add /...
BUILD				Switch to static...

kubeadm

- First release: Sep/2016
- Domain expertise, Only cluster bootstrapping / Configuration
- Kubeadm Init + Kubeadm Join
- Kubeadm upgrade
- Very focused scope, do the minimum, and do it best



kubeadm phases

Kubeadm init

- preflight
- kubelet-start
- certs
- kubeconfig
- control-plane
- etcd
- upload-config
- upload-certs
- mark-control-plane
- bootstrap-token
- kubelet-finalize
- dns/kube-proxy

Kubeadm join controlplane

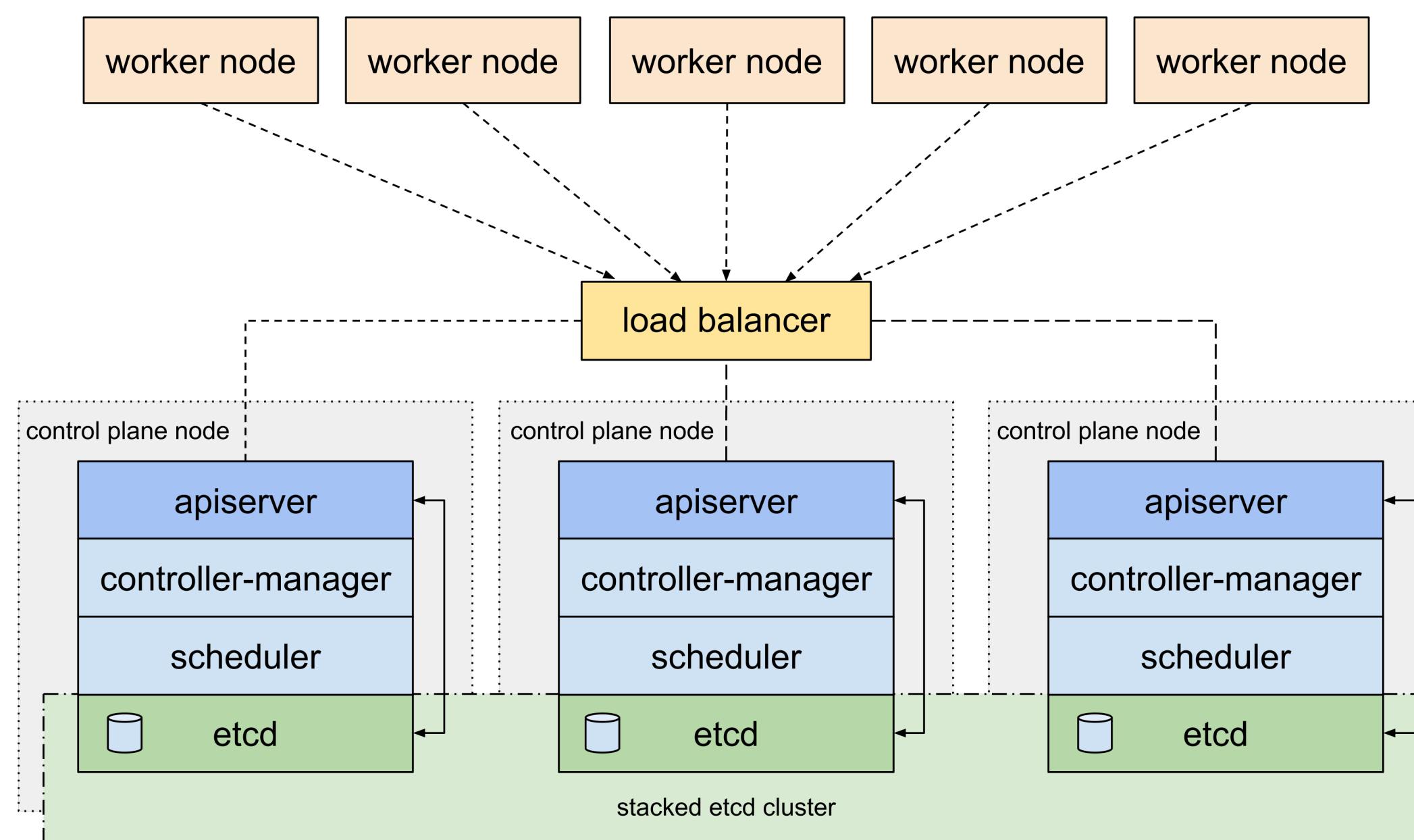
- preflight
- download-certs
- certs
- kubeconfig
- control-plane
- kubelet-start
- etcd
- update-status
- mark-control-plane

Kubeadm join node

- preflight
- kubelet-start

kubeadm HA

kubeadm HA topology - stacked etcd



kubeadm HA topology - external etcd

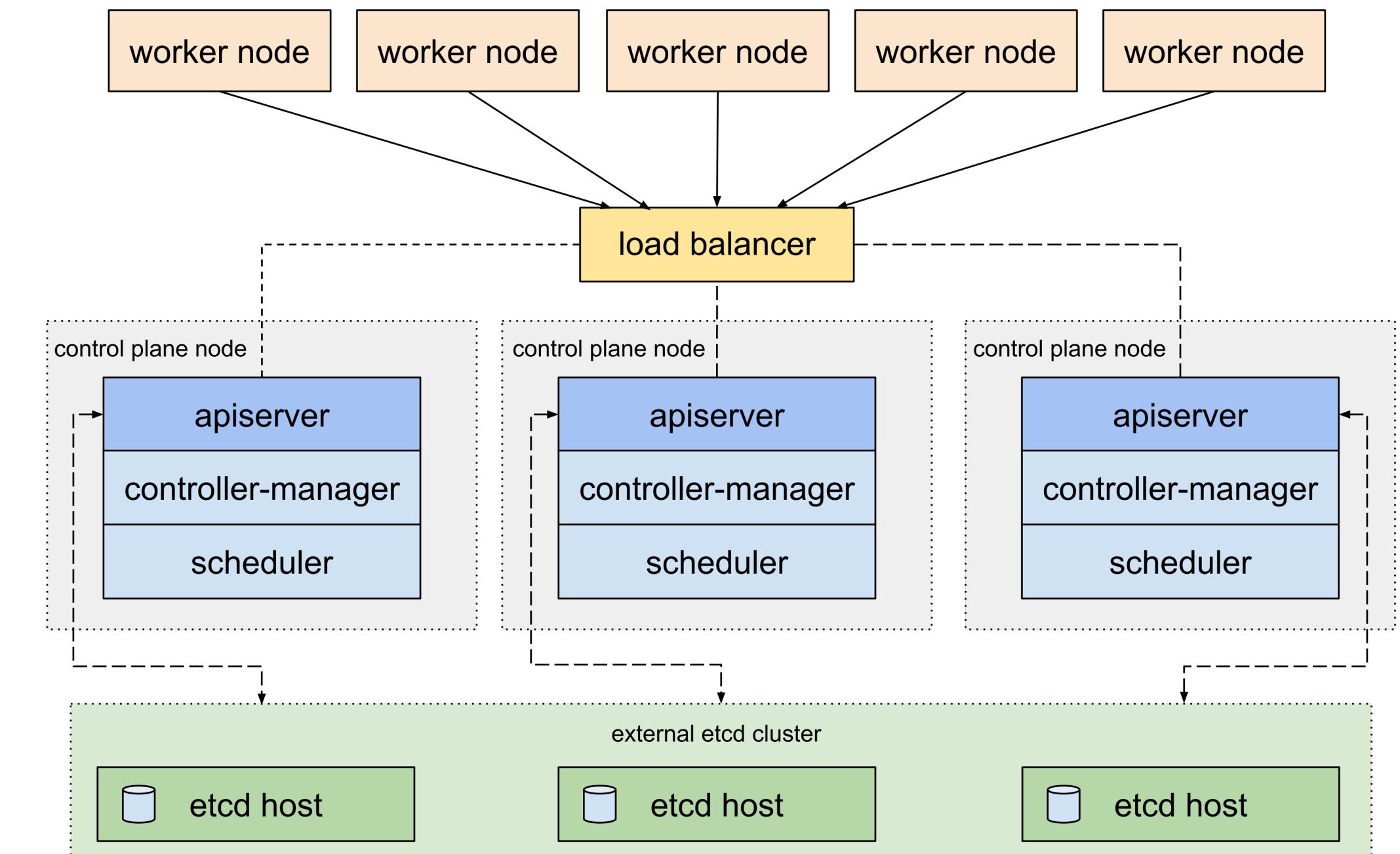
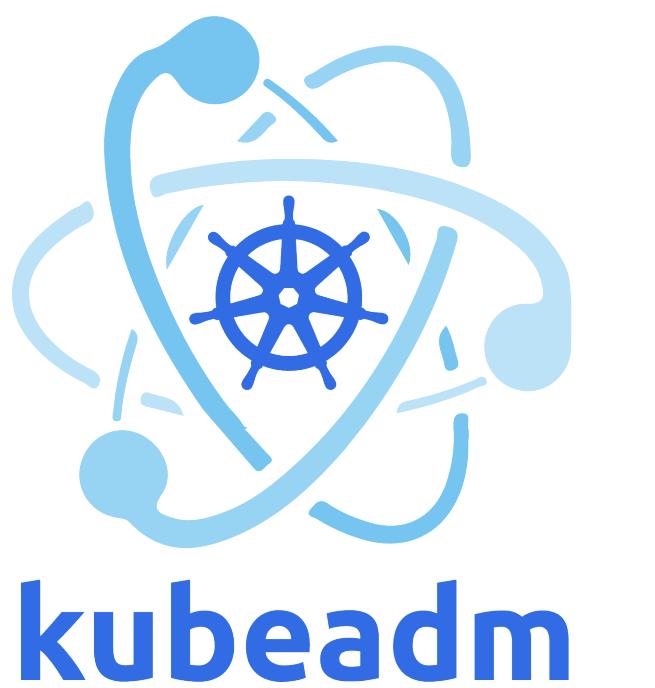


Image from k8s.io doc

kubeadm - what's missing

- Doesn't have:
 - Infrastructure provisioning
 - Critical addons: CNI/StorageClass
 - Non-critical addons: monitoring, logging, auth
 - cloud provider integrations

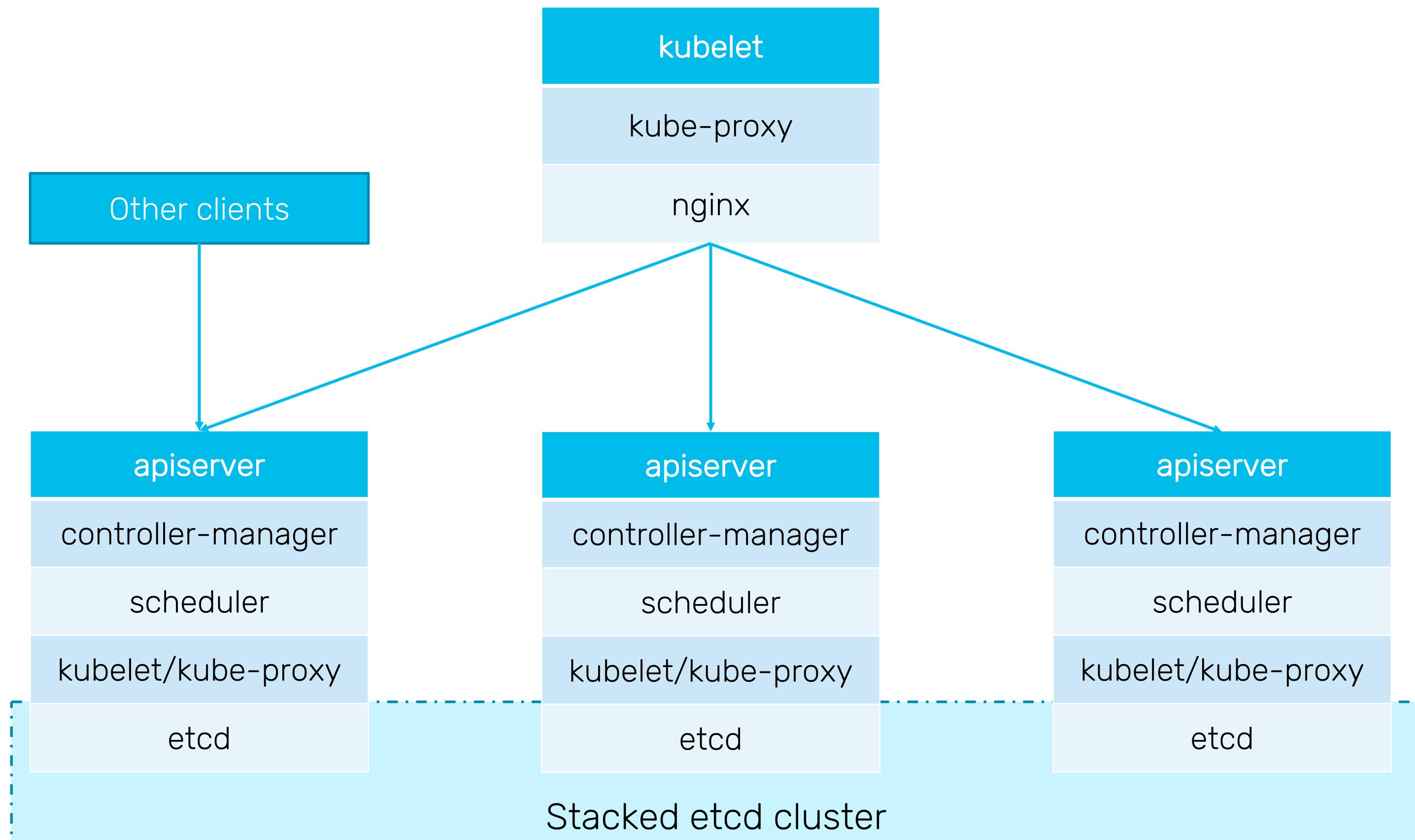


kubespray

- V1.0.0. Oct/2015
- Anywhere: AWS,GCE,Azure,OpenStack,vSphere,Packet,OCI ,Baremetal
- Any OS: CoreOS,Debian,Ubuntu,CentOS/RHEL,FedoraCoreOS
Fedora,OpenSUSE,Oracle Linux
- Baremetal first
- Bring your own Machine
- Ansible, OS centric, generic configuration management



kubespray HA – without external LB



kubespray

- Supports kubeadm for cluster configuration since v2.3 (Oct/2017)
- In addition to kubeadm
 - CNI / storage class
 - Cloud-provider config
 - Proxy support
 - Air-gap environment
 - Other CRI runtimes
- What's missing
 - Infrastructure management



kops

- First release: Oct/2016
- Infrastructure + k8s + Addons
- Cloud First
- Deeply integrated with Cloud features
 - AWS: DNS / Auto Scaling Group / ELB / EBS / KMS / S3 / IAM



kops – unique features

- DNS
- Etcd
- Auto Scaling Group
- Terraform compatible configuration
- Horizontal Pod Autoscaling
- AWS IAM Authenticator



kops tooling



Image-builder

nodeup

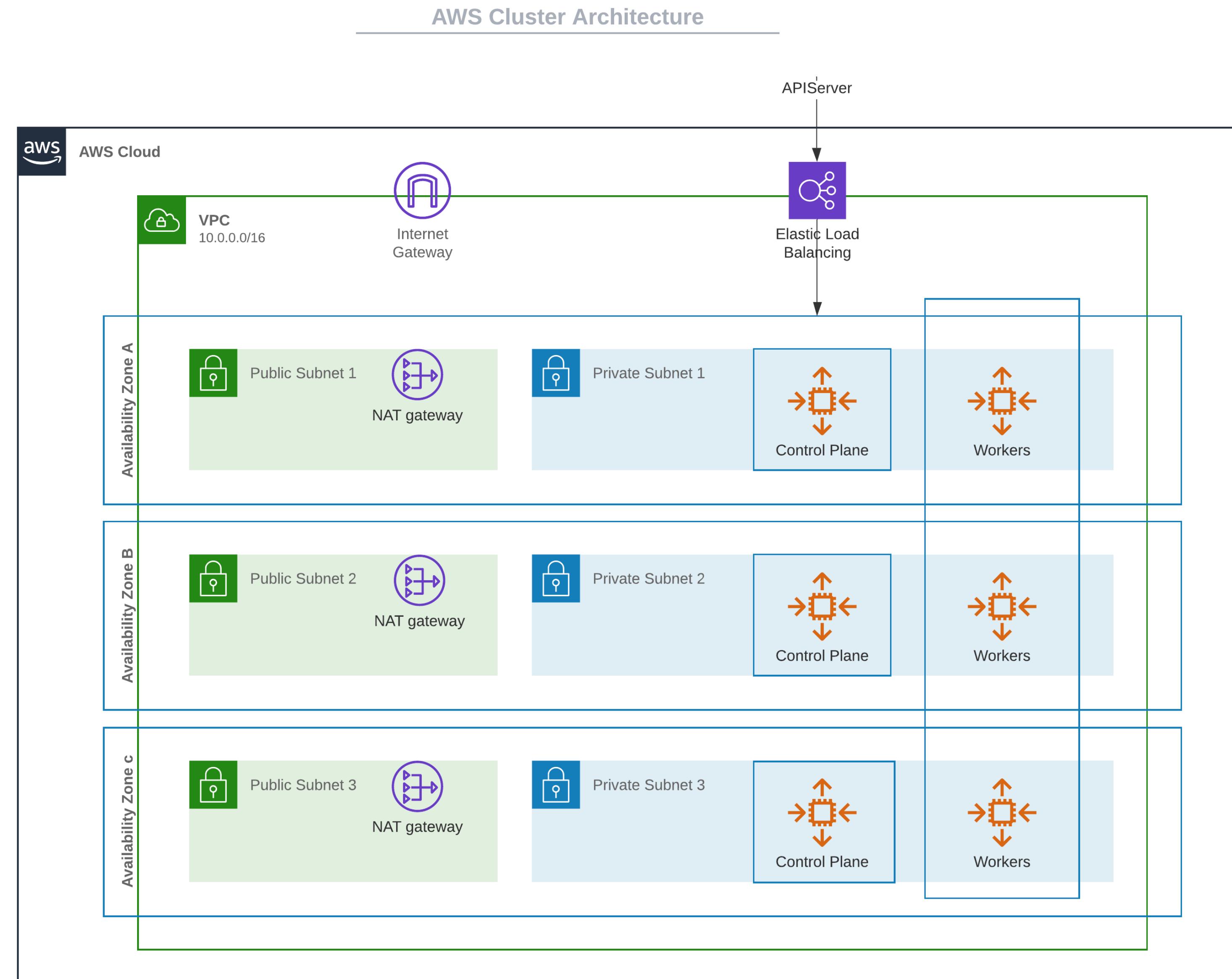
dns-controller

protokube

etcd manager

kops HA on AWS

- Resources
 - AIG
 - IAM
 - EBS
 - ELB
 - VPC
 - Subnet
 - NAT Gateway
 - Internet Gateway
 - Route Table
 - Security Group
 - Elastic IP



kops – possible improvements

- CLI only, no server reconciliation
- Critical Addons are bundled within kops with fixed version
- No baremetal/vsphere support
- Lag behind upstream release.
 - Latest release: v1.17.0 on 05/31/2020
 - Upstream 1.17.0 released on 12/09/2019

Summary – challenges need to be addressed by installer

- Public/Private
- BareMetal/Edge
- Networking
- Storage



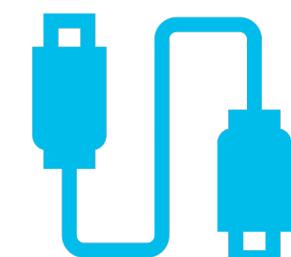
1. Infrastructure

- Debian/Ubuntu
- CentOS/RHEL
- Fedora/CoreOS
- Windows

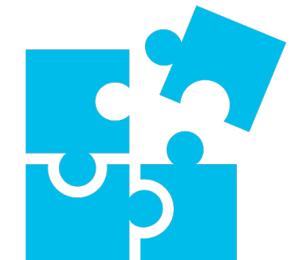
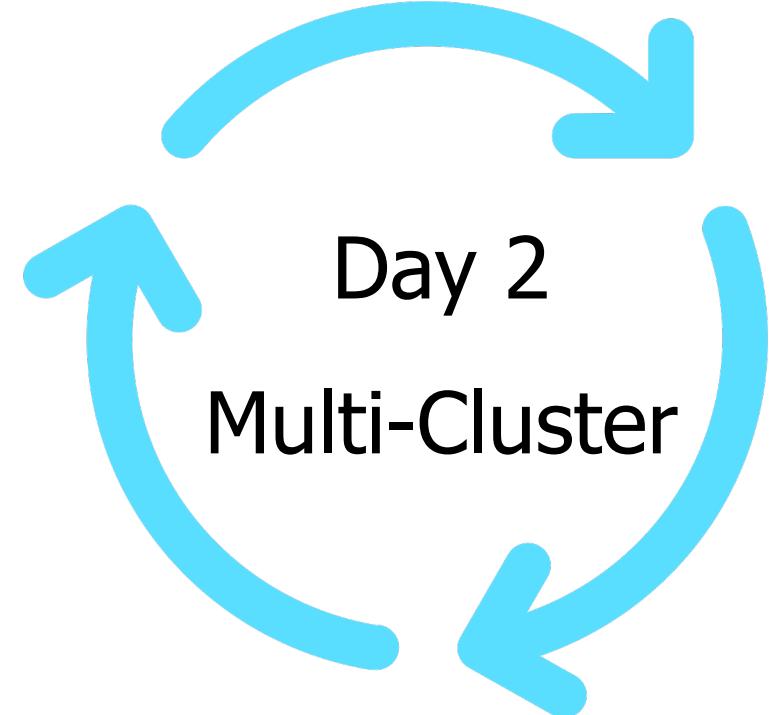


2. Operation System

- CNI/StorageClass
- LB/Ingress/
- Auth/Log/Monitor
- Security



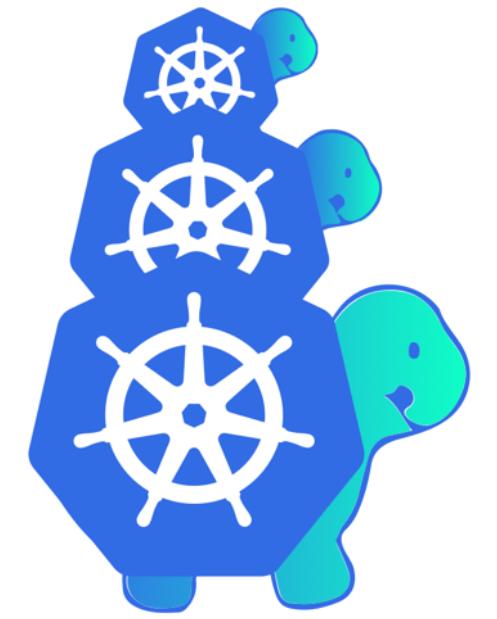
4. Integration



3. Configuration

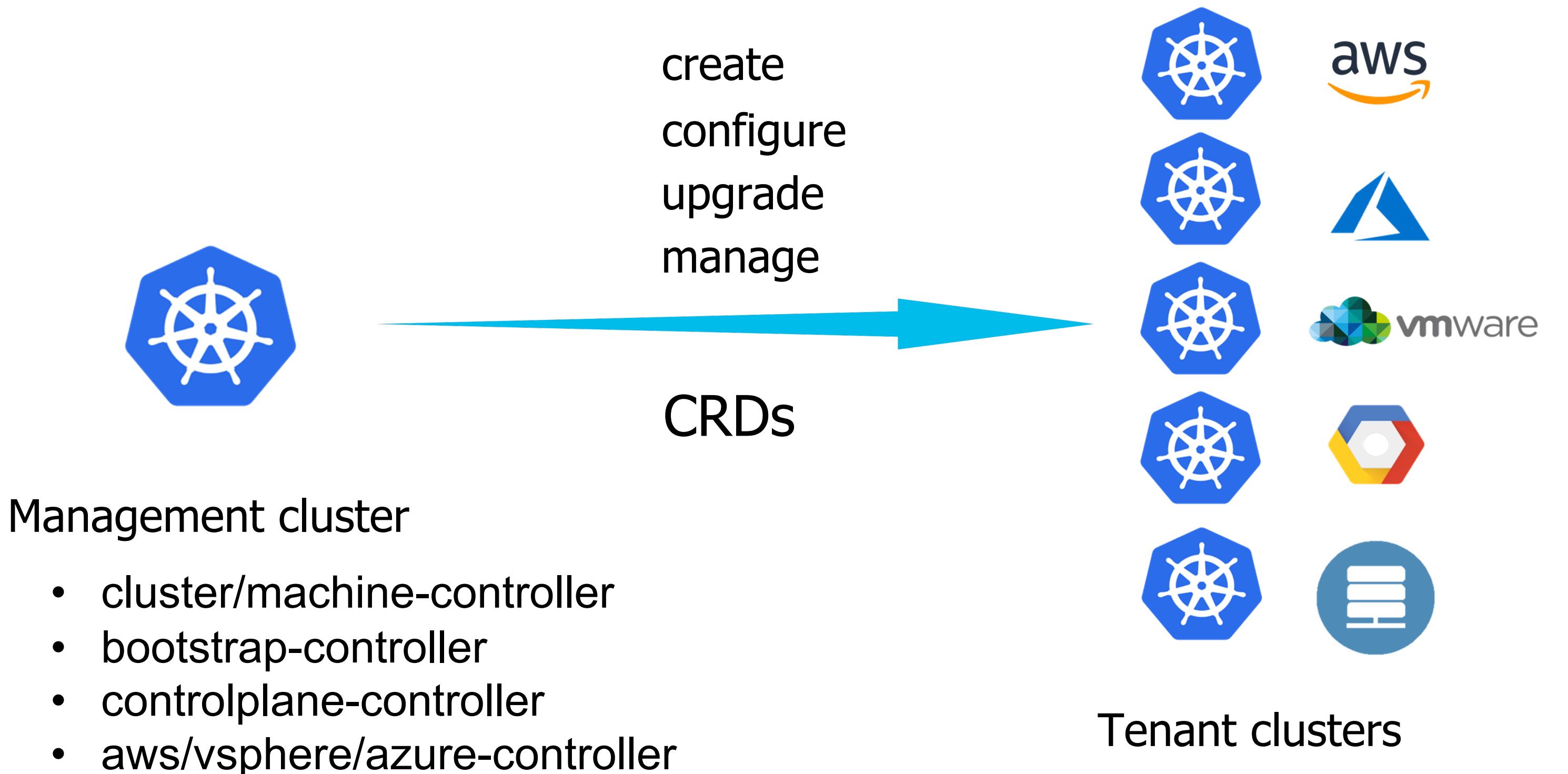
- Single master / HA
- Etcd/Failure Domain
- 100+ config options
- Security best practice

What is Cluster API

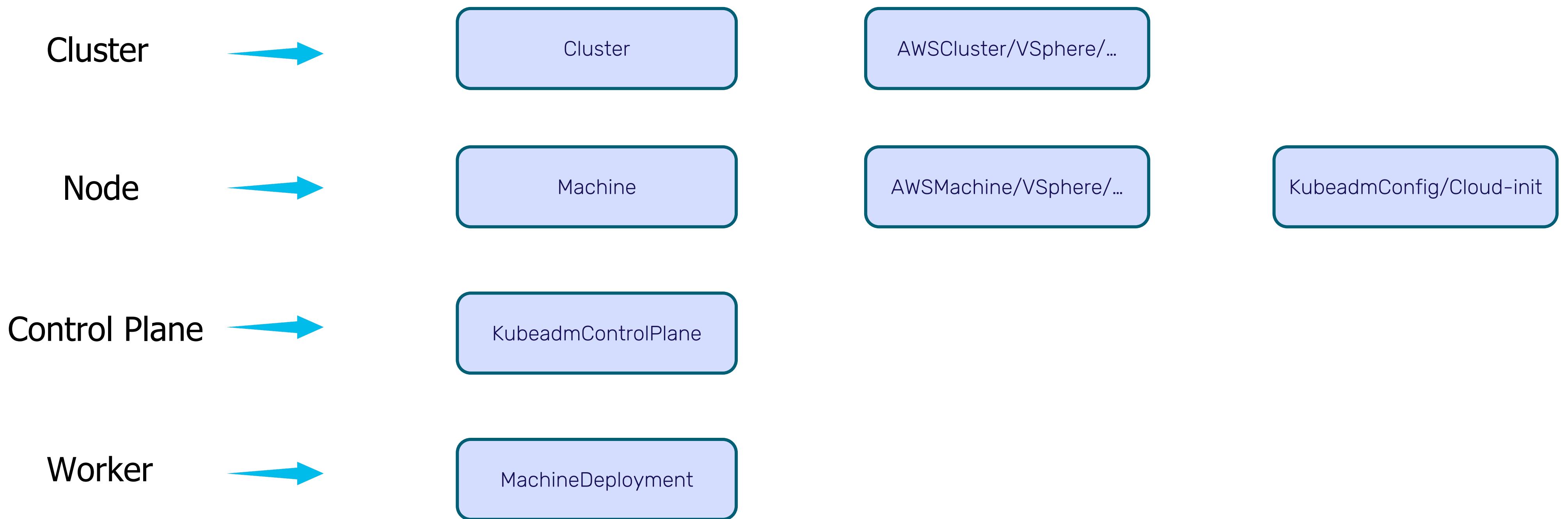


- The Cluster API is a Kubernetes project to bring declarative, Kubernetes-style APIs to cluster creation, configuration, and management. It provides optional, additive functionality on top of core Kubernetes to manage the lifecycle of a Kubernetes cluster. -- <https://cluster-api.sigs.k8s.io>
- Current state:
 - v1alpha3
 - 200+ contributors from VMware/Google/IBM/Red hat/Microsoft/...
 - AWS/VSphere/Azure/GCP/Openstack/Digital Ocean/Packet/Alibaba/Tencent/Metal3/...
- Cluster API CNCF webinar : <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=A2BBuKx1Yhk>

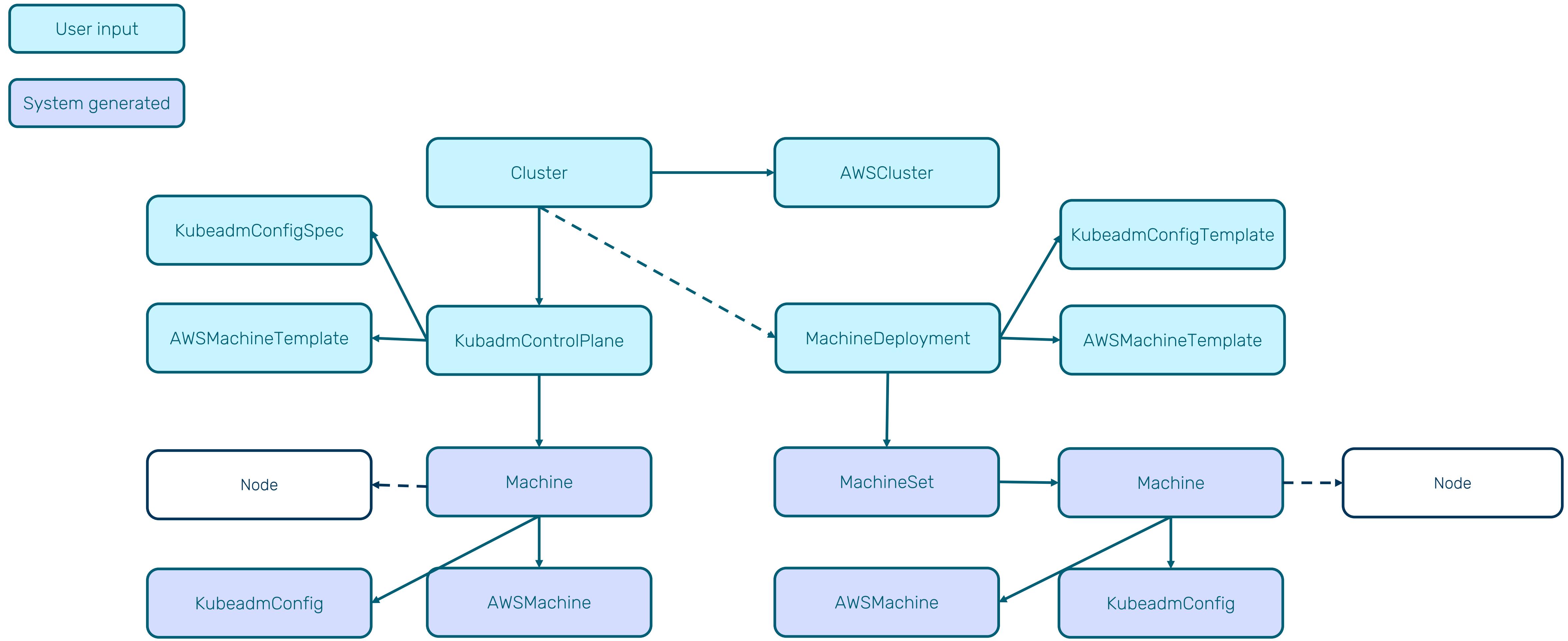
How does Cluster API work



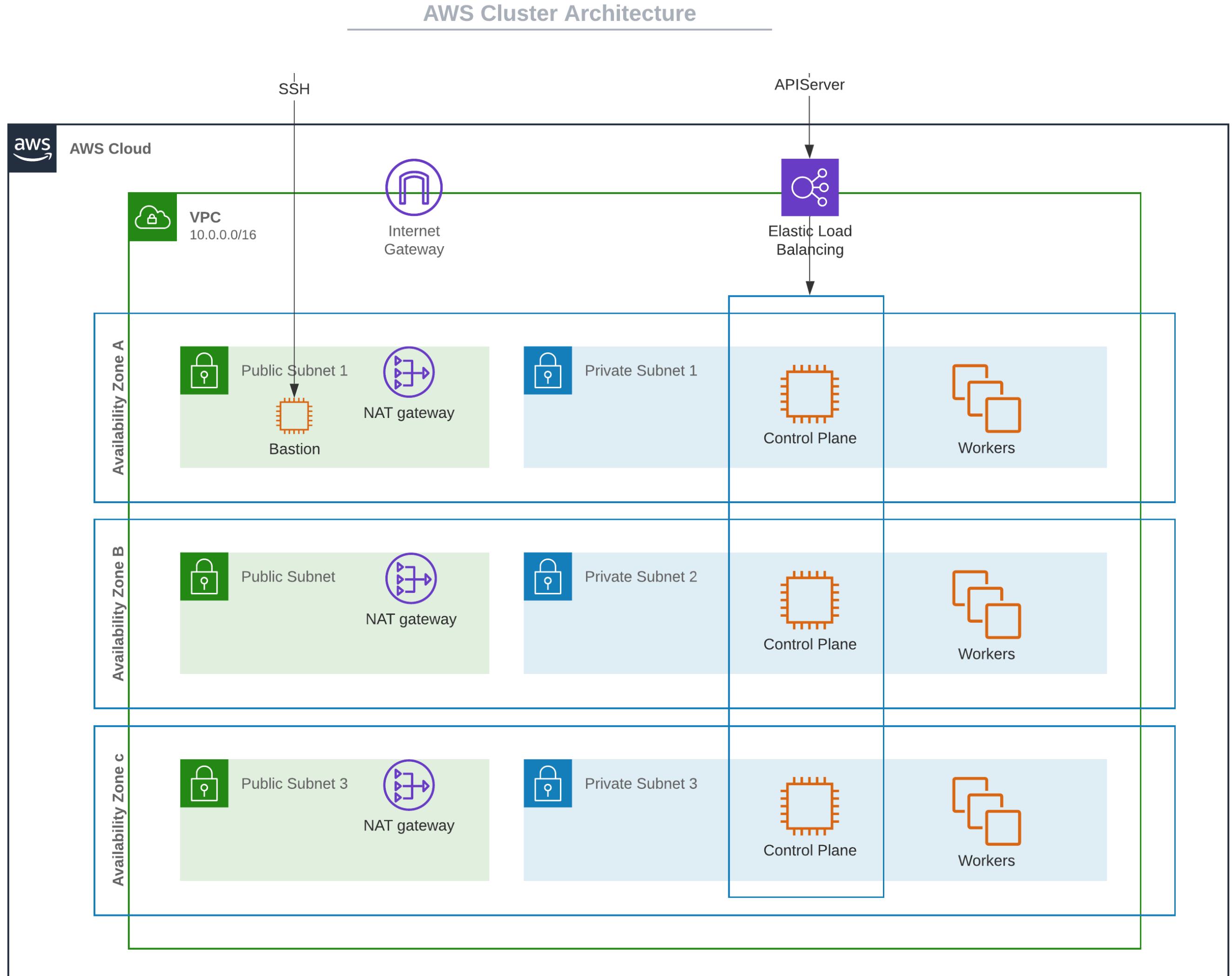
Cluster API Deep Dive - CRD



Cluster on AWS



Cluster API on AWS



Cluster API Roadmap

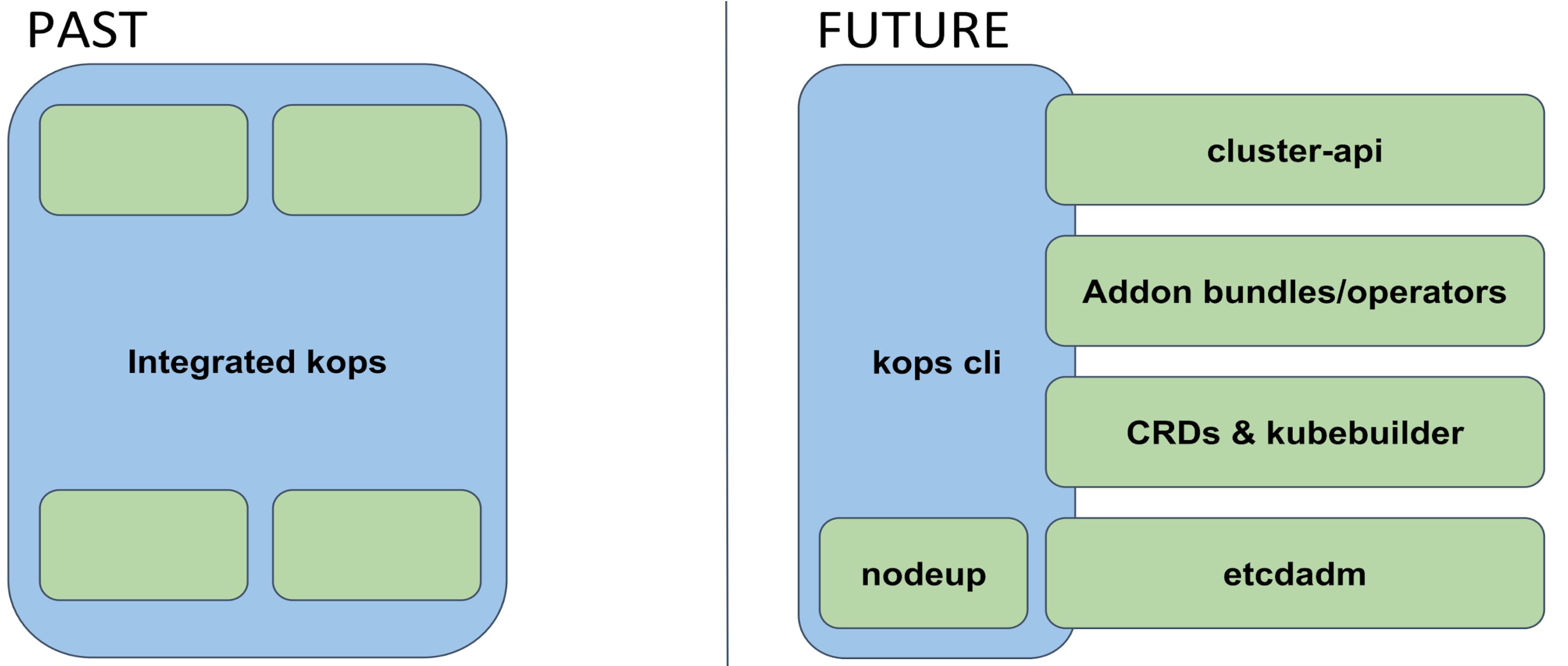
- V0.3.0. -- March/2020
 - KubeadmControlPlane
 - MachineHealthCheck (MHC) for worker nodes
 - VSphere HA with HAProxyLoadBalancer
- V0.3.+ -- July/2020
 - Control-plane robustness
 - Autoscaler integration
 - Spot instances support
 - Machine pre-delete hooks
 - ClusterResourceSet
- V0.4 -- Q4/2020
 - Pluggable Machine load balancers
 - Bootstrap failure detection

Kops VS Cluster API

	Kops	Cluster API
Clouds		+
OS	+	+
Bootstrapping	+	+
Integration	+	
Day 2	+	+
MultiCluster		+

Kops + Cluster API

Will this meet enterprise requirements?



From justinsb's kubecon 2019 kops talk

Enterprise responsibilities

Security

- Base OS, containers, and integrations
- Ingress network policies
- Access to clusters

Config Management

- Namespace management
- Resource Quotas

Logging & Observability

- Logging, Monitoring, Tracing
- Alerting and notifications
- For both platform & application workloads

Business Continuity

- HA for control planes
- Backup, Restore, and Snapshots
- Control plane upgrades with limited impact to workloads

Enterprise requirements

Ease-of-use

- Higher-level abstraction
- Stable APIs
- Combining best of all tools!

Manageability

- Multi-cluster/cloud: public, private, and even BM environments
- Consistency across different clusters

Flexibility

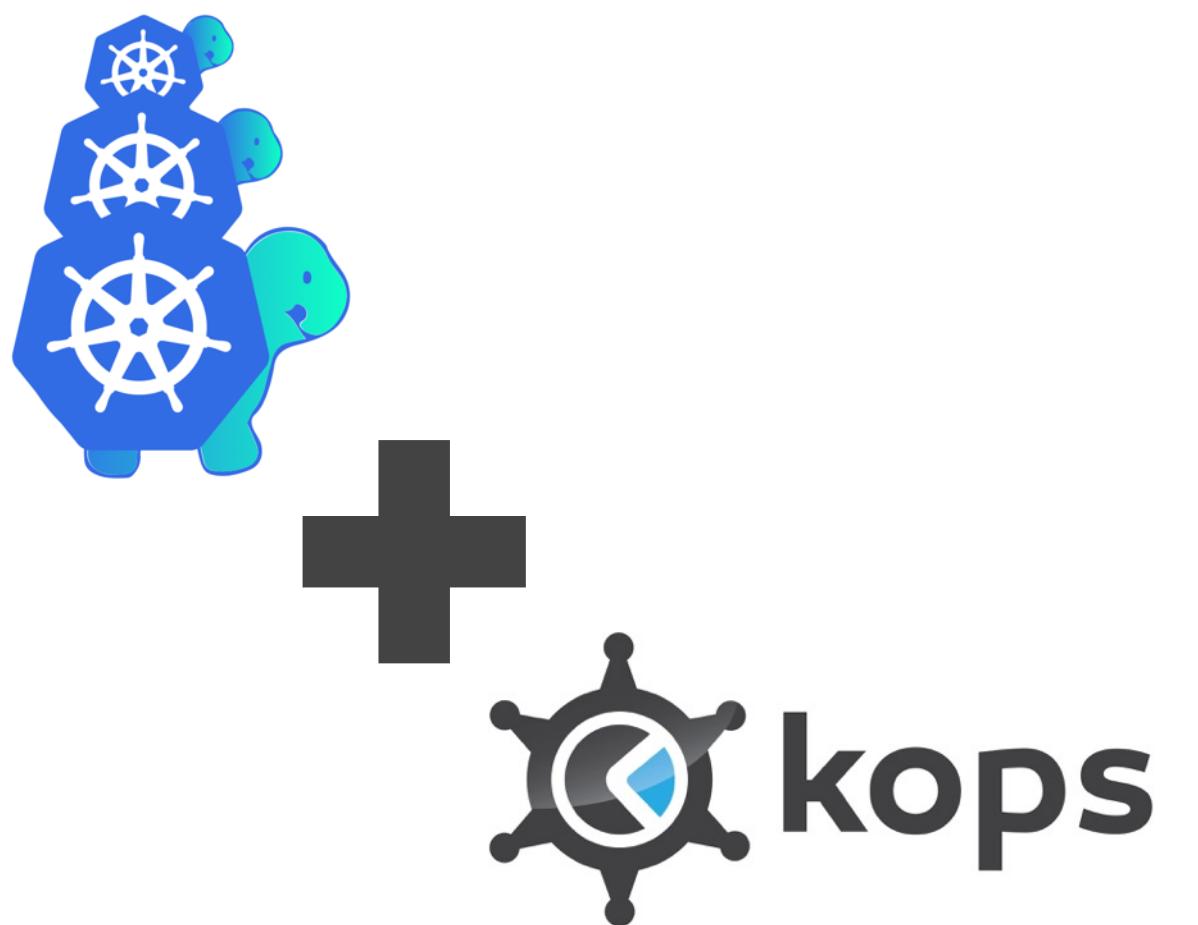
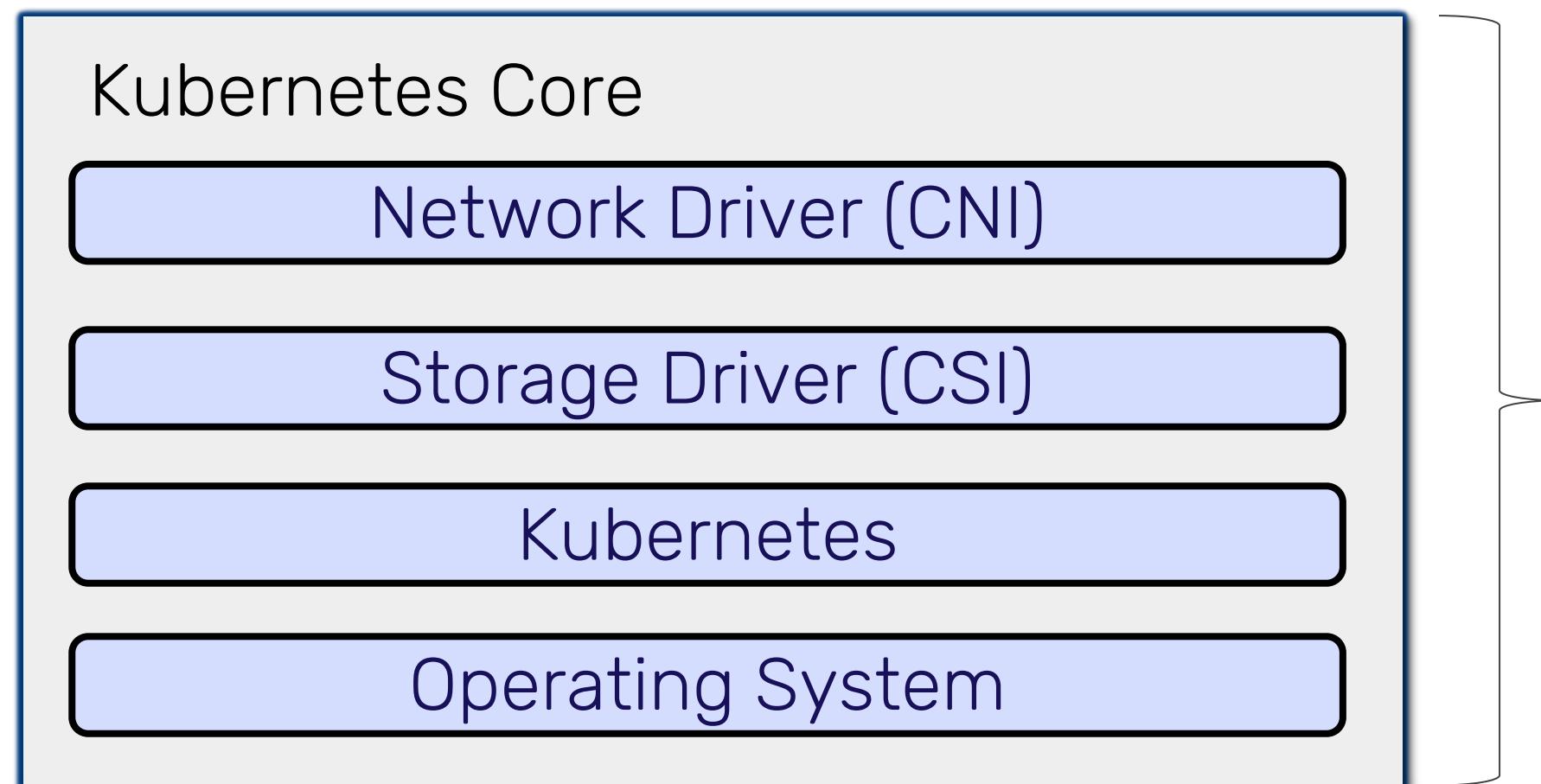
- Any cloud of your choice
- OS: pre-built or dynamically generated
- Any K8s integrations
- Default configuration, but overridable

Higher-Level Orchestrator Features

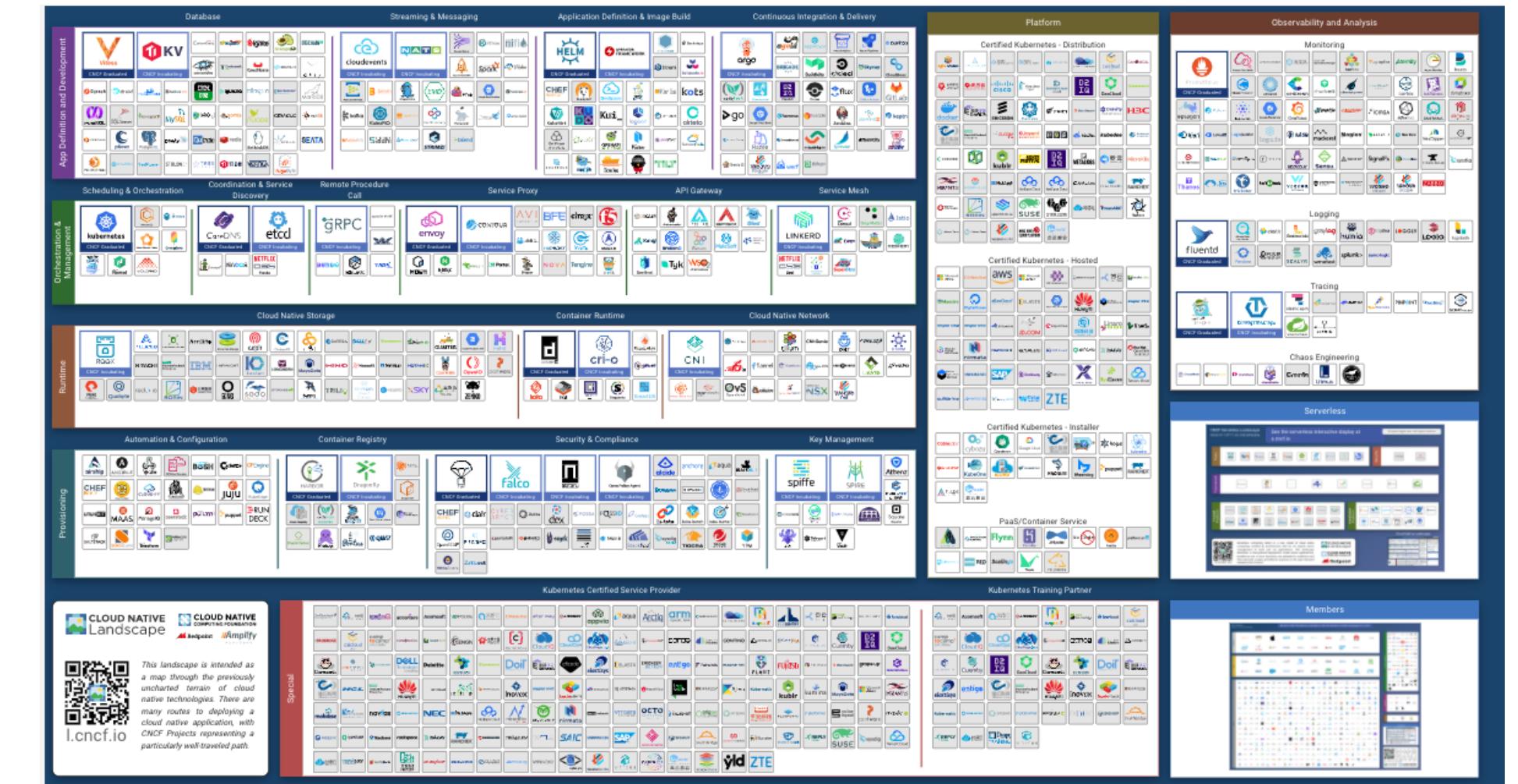
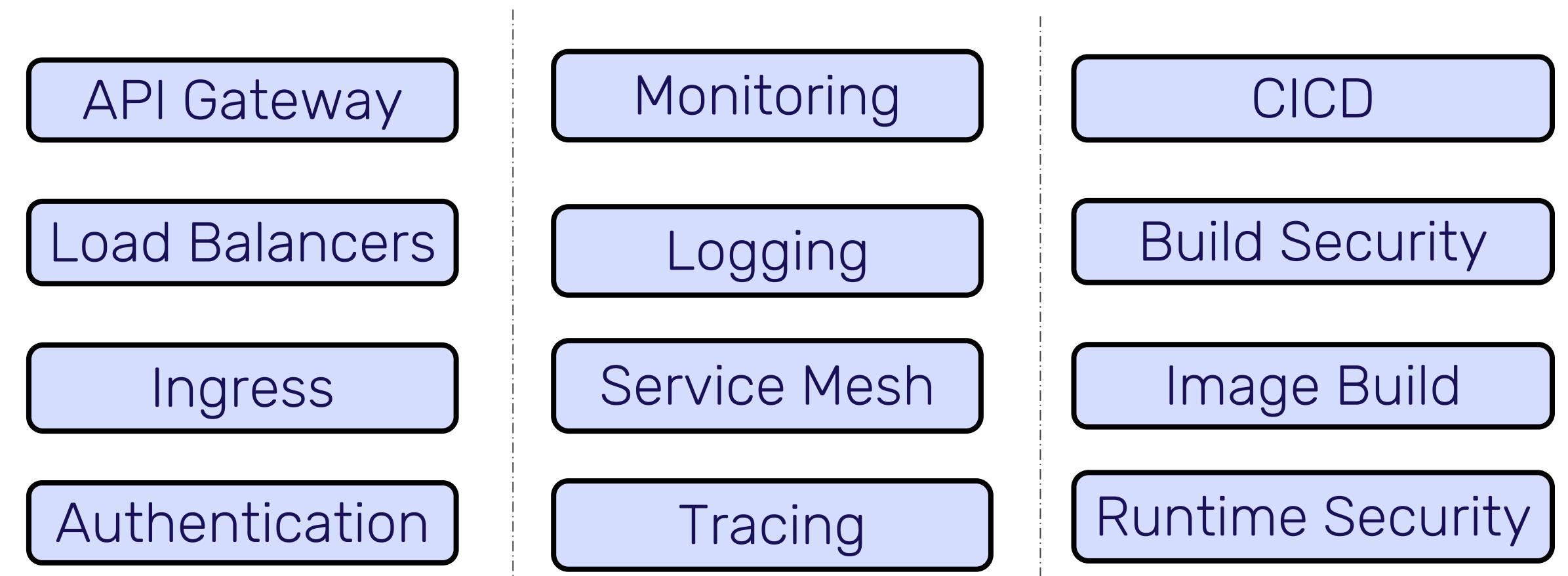
Focus on value-add capabilities such as:

- Namespace and resource management
- Secure and protect cluster and workloads
- Policy, Audit, Alert, Compliance
- Governance, RBAC, and Quota Control
- CICD and Deployment
- Service Mesh, Observability, and Logging
- Archive, Backup, Restore

- Multi-cluster lifecycle management
- Day-2 upgrades
- Support for 10+ public and private clouds

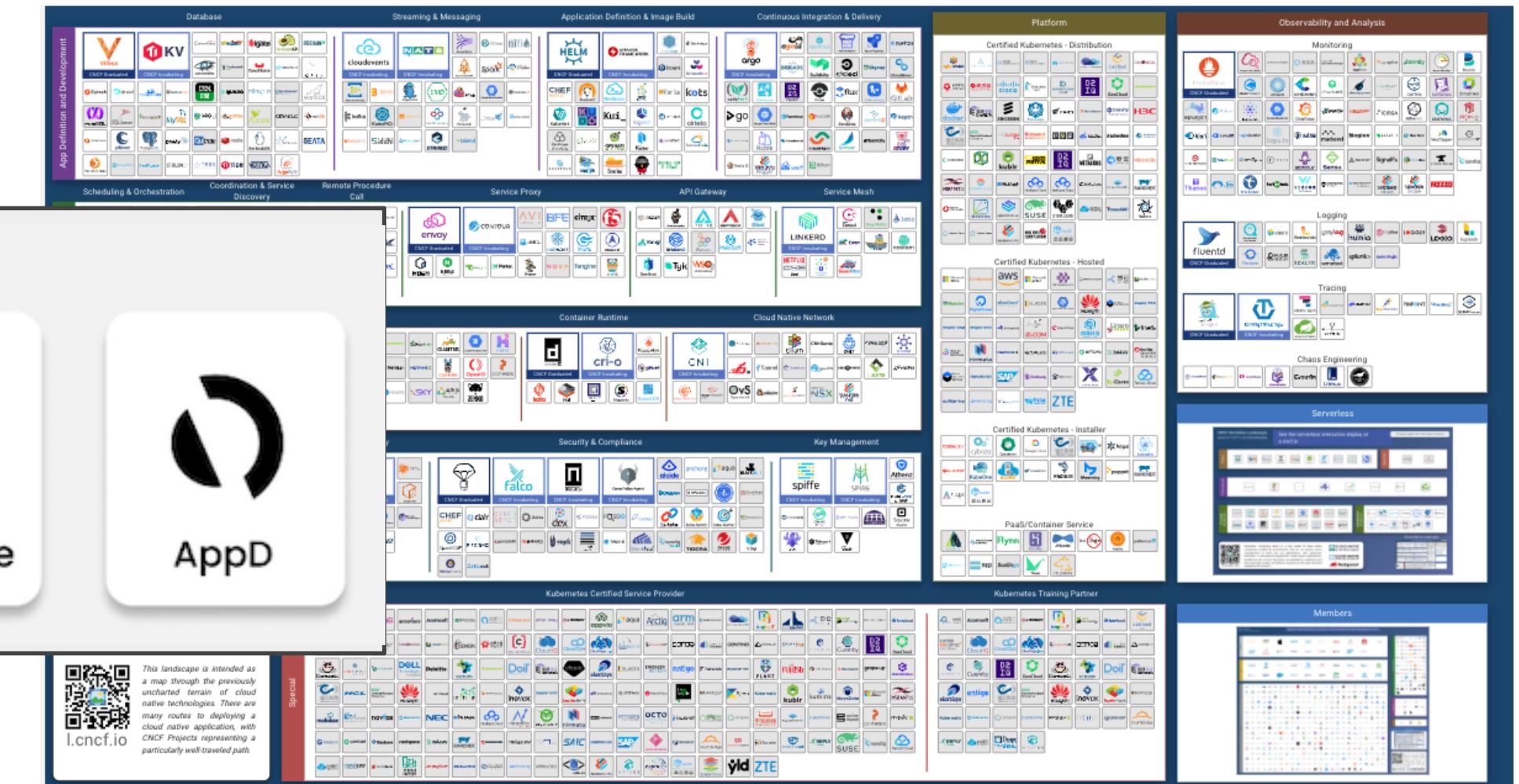
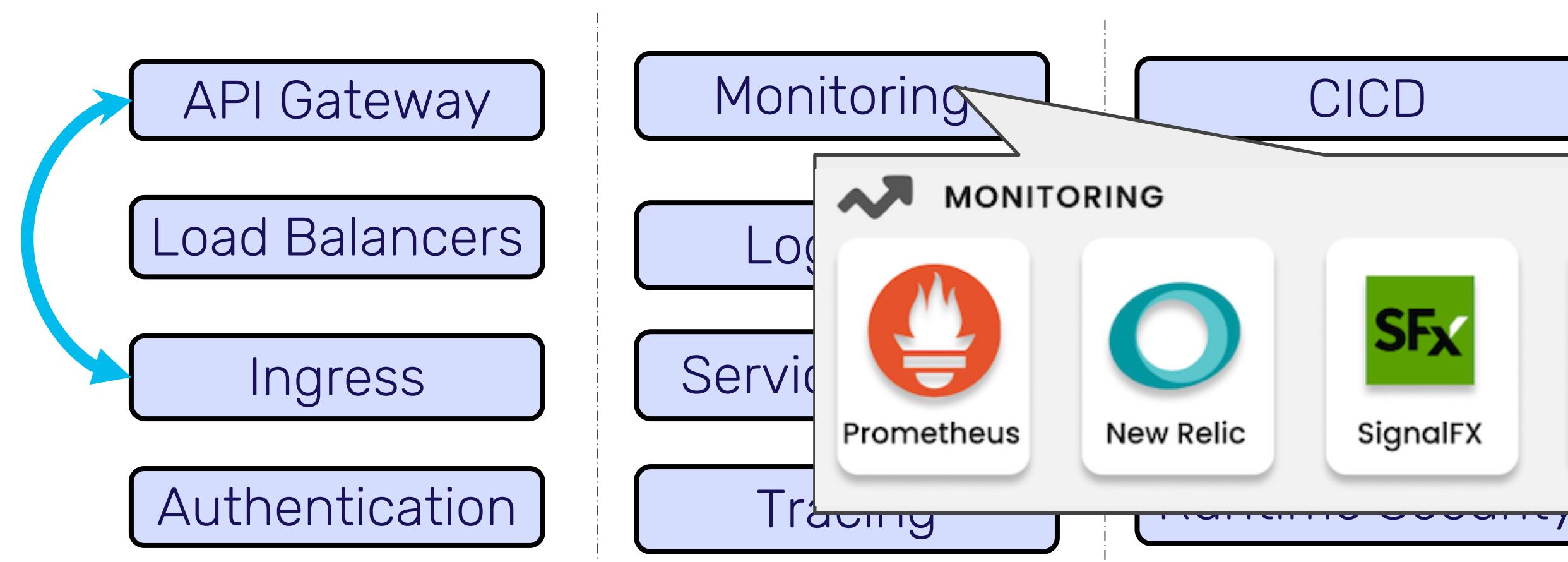


Add-On Integrations



Kubernetes Core

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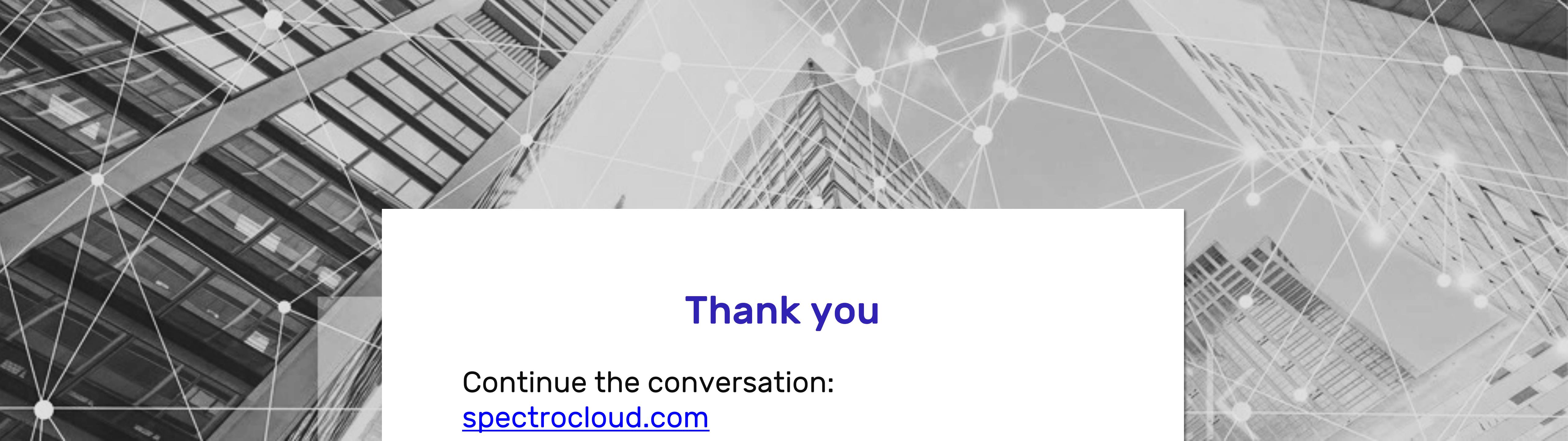


CLOUD NATIVE Landscape

Kubernetes Core



Q & A



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