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Treating Network Assets as Schedulable Resources

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Who am I?



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- Software Engineer
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Agenda



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- Overview
 - CNI
 - Container Scheduling
- Key Challenges
- Solution
- Demo



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Overview of CNI

What is CNI?



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- Highly overloaded term!



What is CNI?



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- What is CNI?
 - Spec (v0.3.1)
 - Add
 - Del
 - Version
 - Spec (v0.4.0)



What is CNI?



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- What is CNI?
 - Collection of plugins
 - bridge, loopback, ptp, vlan, ...
 - win-bridge, win-overlay
 - dhcp, host-local, static
 - flannel, portmap,



What is CNI?

- What is CNI?
 - Library



CNI Recap



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 - Spec (v0.3.1)
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 - Version
 - Library
 - Collection of base plugins
- More!



CNI Kubelet Interaction



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- How kubelet and CNI interact ?
 - At least one invocation of the CNI plugin binary per Sandbox.

CNI Kubelet Configuration



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- Kubelet Configuration
 - “--network-plugin”
 - “--cni-bin-dir”
 - “--cni-conf-dir”

CNI Deployment



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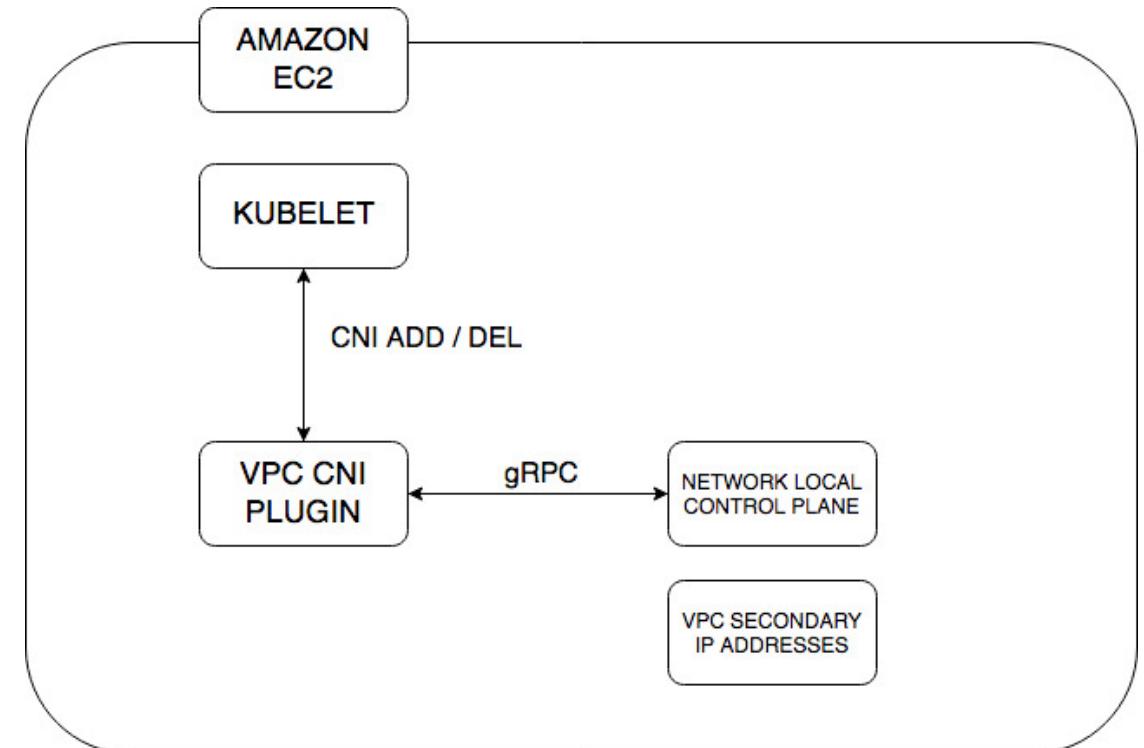
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- Typical CNI deployments
 - CNI plugin binary
 - CNI config
 - Node level daemon

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Container Scheduling

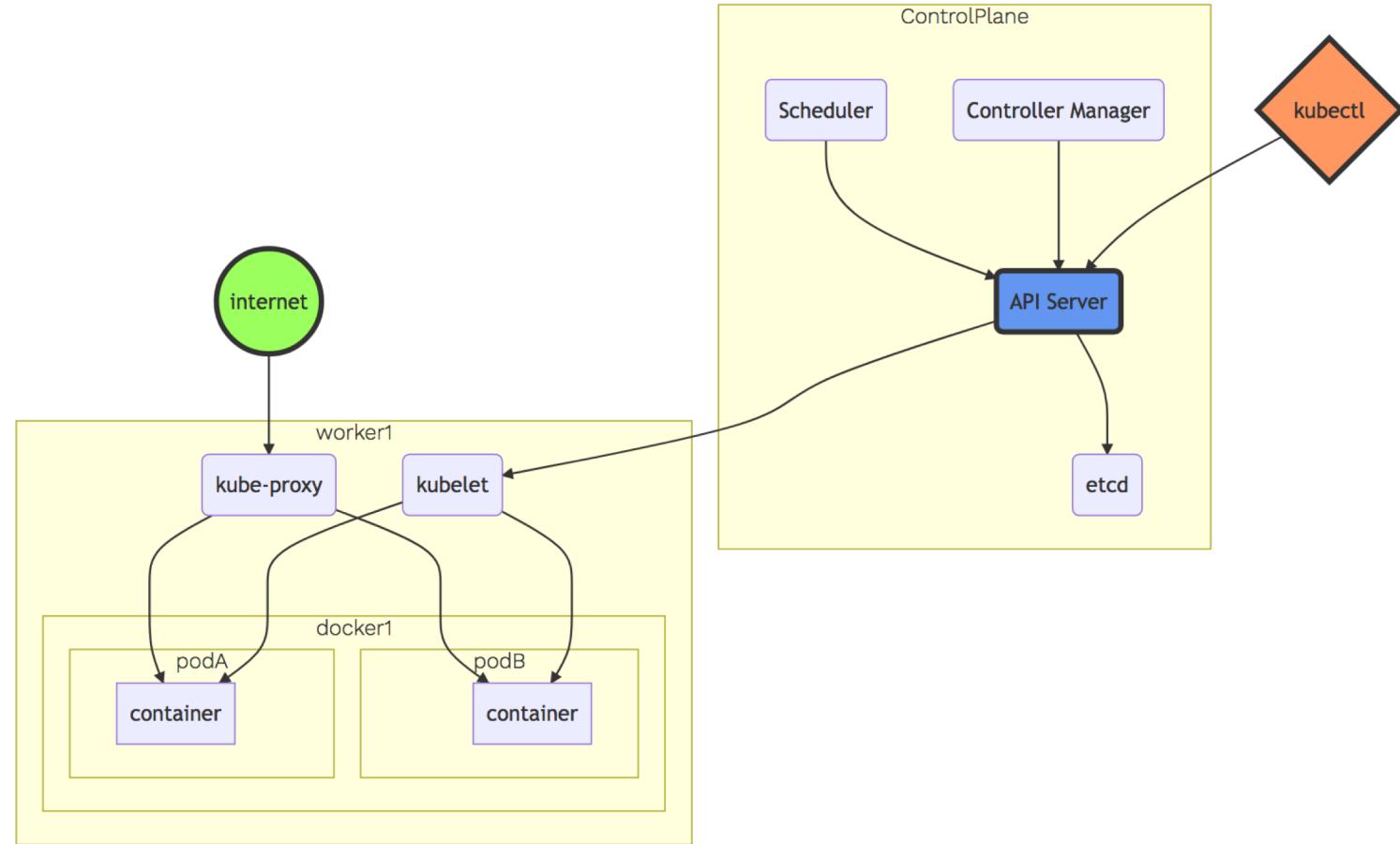
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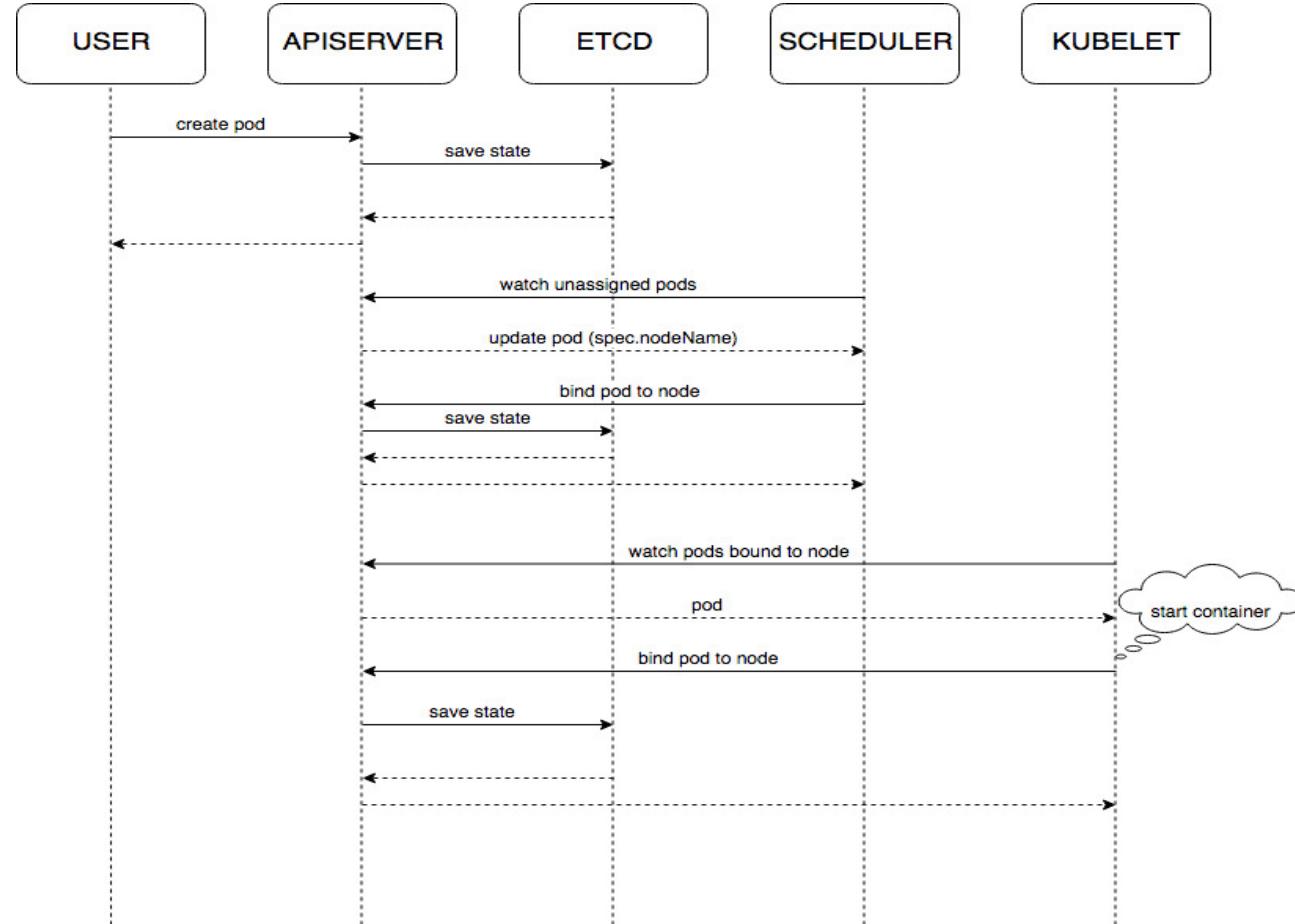
Kube-Scheduler



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Kube-Scheduler



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- Find nodes for pods in a cluster
- Complex and feature rich
- Multiple dimensions to optimize
- Default Scheduler:
 - Accounts for CPU and memory in the scheduling process!
 - Supports resource based scheduling

Kube-Scheduler: Resource Based

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: Pod
spec:
  containers:
  - command: ...
    resources:
      limits:
        cpu: "500m"
        memory: "1500Mi"
      requests:
        cpu: "500m"
        memory: "1500Mi"
```

Custom Schedulers



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- Kubernetes provides a framework to incorporate custom schedulers for special needs!
 - Typical deployment managed by the default scheduler.
 - `spec.schedulerName: <special-purpose-scheduler>`
- Kubernetes enables multiple schedulers within the cluster.



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Challenges

Challenges



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- How to account for networking assets in the scheduling process?

Challenges



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- How to eliminate the node level agent running on worker nodes?

Challenges



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- How to minimize the permissions required to manage the lifecycle of networking assets?



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Solution

Solution



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- Use extended resources
- Custom resource controllers
- Admission webhooks
- CNI plugin

VPC Resource Controller



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- Manages VPC resources for the cluster
- Pluggable resource model
- Provider interface
- Platform agnostic

VPC Resource Controller: Provider



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```
type Provider interface {
    GetResourceName() string
    GetDesiredWarmPoolSize() (int, int)
    InitResourcePool(node Node) (*Pool, error)
    CreateResource(node Node, quantity int) (resourceIDs []string, err error)
    DeleteResource(node Node, resourceId string) error
}
```

VPC Resource Controller: Provider



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- Provider Interface Implementations
 - Elastic Network Interface Provider
 - IP Address Provider

VPC Resource Controller: Responsibilities

- Watch for node objects
 - Advertise extended resources

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```
apiVersion: v1
kind: Node
spec:
  providerID: aws:///us-west-2a/i-094fe8fb054fd0b07
status:
  allocatable:
    cpu: "4"
    memory: 8023644Ki
    pods: "110"
    vpc.amazonaws.com/ENI: "1"
    vpc.amazonaws.com/PrivateIPv4Address: "14"
  capacity:
    cpu: "4"
    memory: 8023644Ki
    pods: "110"
    vpc.amazonaws.com/ENI: "1"
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VPC Resource Controller: Responsibilities

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```
apiVersion: v1
kind: Pod
metadata:
  annotations:
    vpc.amazonaws.com/PrivateIPv4Address: 192.168.113.175
  name: windows-servercore-webserver-5659f96674-cts74
  namespace: default
spec:
  containers:
  - command: ...
    name: windows-servercore-webserver
    resources:
      limits:
        vpc.amazonaws.com/PrivateIPv4Address: "1"
      requests:
        vpc.amazonaws.com/PrivateIPv4Address: "1"
```

VPC Admission Webhook



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```

CNI Plugin: VPC Shared ENI



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- Simple executable (binary)
- Read pod metadata
 - Annotations
- Provides
 - Connectivity
 - Reachability



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Demo

Benefits



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- Incorporate network resources in the scheduling process
- Eliminate long running node local agents
- Obtain cluster level network resource accounting
- Easy to add support for new VPC resource abstractions
- Reduced set of permissions on worker nodes



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Thank You!