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# Obfuscação de `sslpassword` com hook `PQsetSSLKeyPassHook_OpenSSL`

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# Segurança na Autenticação



# Importância da Segurança

- Diferentes setores utilizam PostgreSQL para armazenar **dados confidenciais**:
  - Finanças
  - Saúde
  - Propriedade Intelectual, etc
- Segurança inadequada ou falta de segurança implica em **riscos graves**, por exemplo:
  - Acesso não autorizado aos dados
  - Roubo, exposição e sequestro de dados confidenciais
  - Roubo de identidade
  - Fraudes financeiras, industriais e de marketing



# Segurança na Autenticação

- Autenticação é uma das barreiras na segurança dos dados
- Requisitos para fazer “log in” no sistema, por exemplo:
  - Endereço de origem
  - Usuário
  - Banco
  - Criptografia
  - Método de autenticação

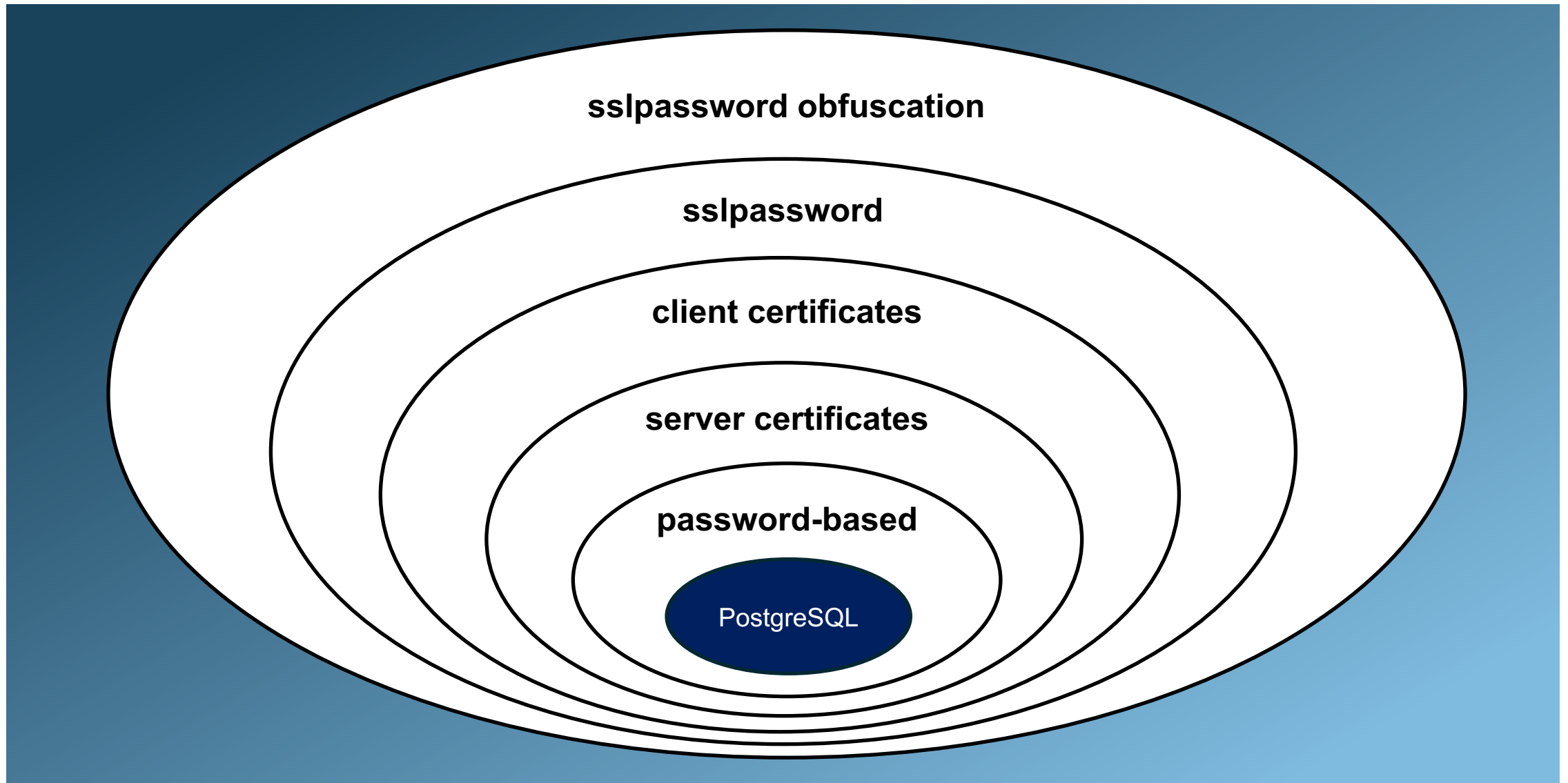


# Tipos de Autenticação

- Autenticação externa
  - GSSAPI, SSPI, LDAP, RADIUS
- Autenticação de sistema operacional
  - BSD, PAM, Peer, Ident
- Autenticação interna do PostgreSQL
  - Trust / Reject
  - Password-based: password, md5, SCRAM
  - SSL / TLS



## SEGURANÇA NA AUTENTICAÇÃO INTERNA (SIMPLIFICADA)



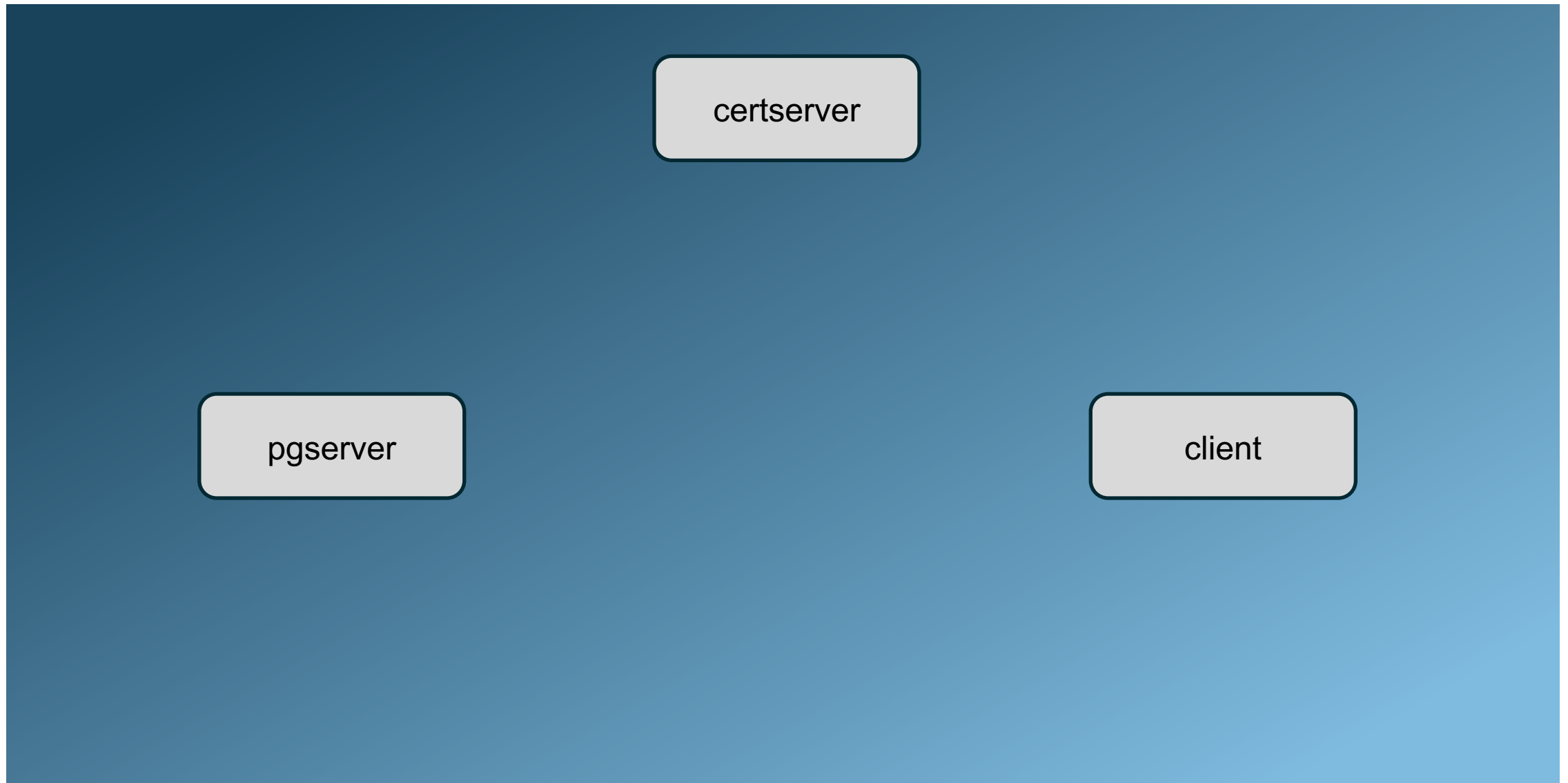


# Autenticação Interna na Prática

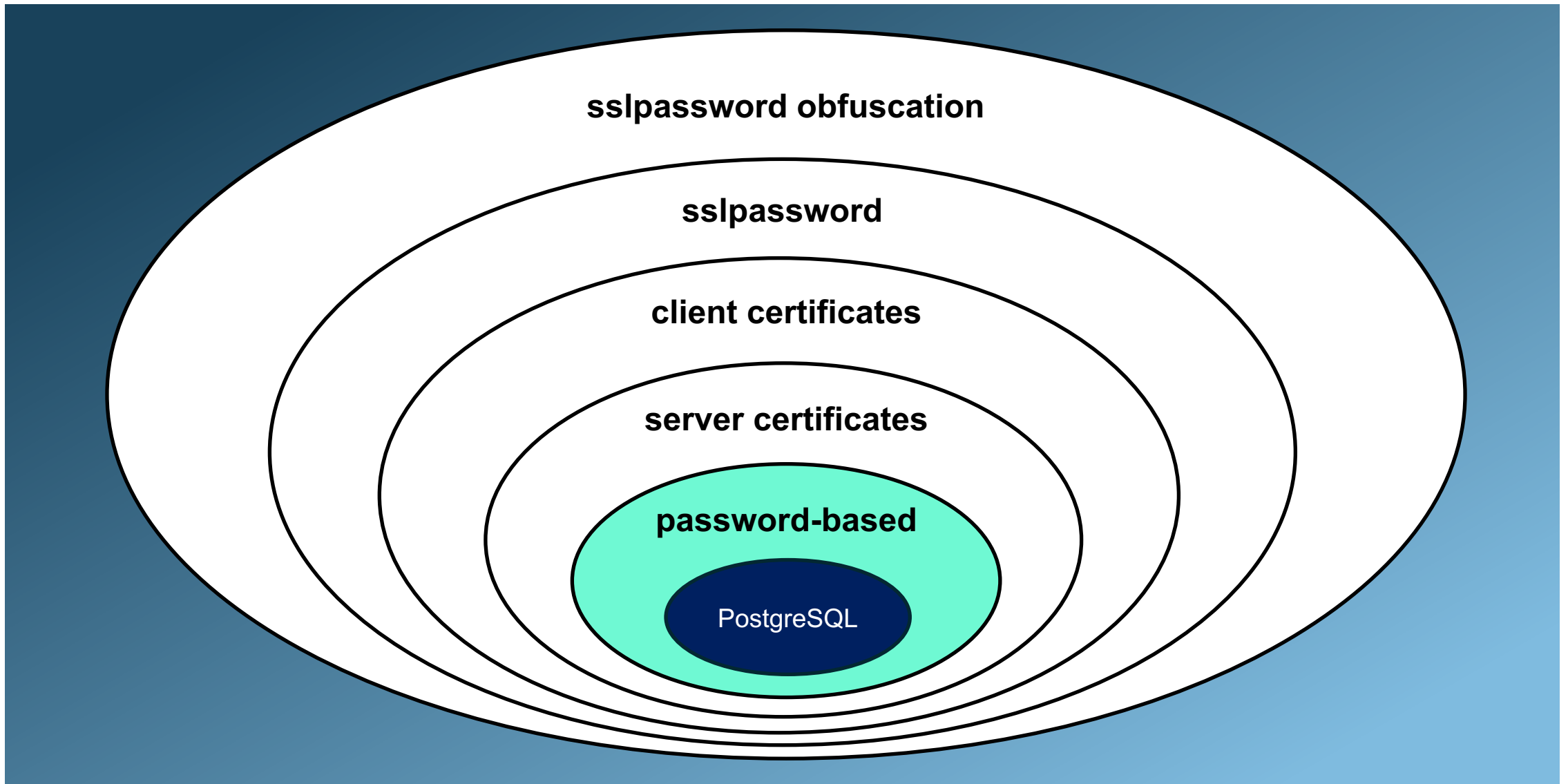




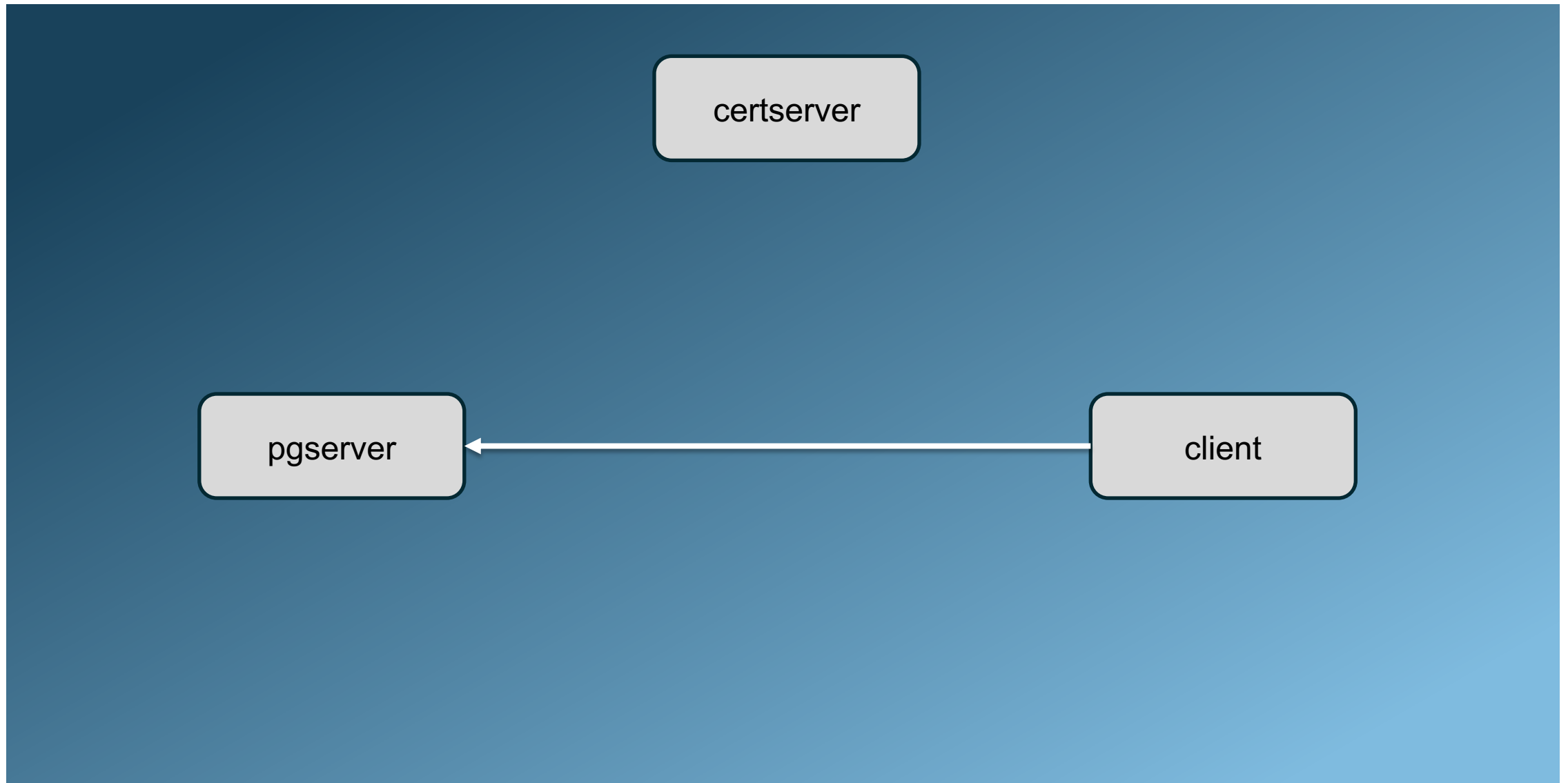
## 0- SERVIDORES UTILIZADOS



## 1- PASSWORD-BASED



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# 1- Password-based

pg\_hba.conf:

```
host myappdb myappuser 172.18.0.22/32 scram-sha-256
```

```
psql -c "SELECT pg_reload_conf()"
```



# 1- Password-based

```
[root@client ~]# psql "host=pgserver port=5432 dbname=myappdb user=myappuser"
```

```
Password for user myappuser:
```

```
psql (17.0)
```

```
Type "help" for help.
```

```
myappdb=>
```



# 1- Password-based

```
[root@client ~]# psql "host=pgserver port=5432 dbname=myappdb user=myappuser  
password='ohsei7Ae'"
```

```
psql (17.0)
```

```
Type "help" for help.
```

```
myappdb=>
```



# 1- Password-based

```
[root@client ~]# export PGPASSWORD=ohsei7Ae
```

```
[root@client ~]# psql "host=pgserver port=5432 dbname=myappdb user=myappuser"
```

```
psql (17.0)
```

```
Type "help" for help.
```

```
myappdb=>
```



# 1- Password-based

```
[root@client ~]# cat > ~/.pgpass << EOF  
pgserver:5432:myappdb:myappuser:ohsei7Ae  
EOF
```

```
[root@client ~]# chmod 600 ~/.pgpass
```

```
[root@client ~]# psql "host=pgserver port=5432 dbname=myappdb user=myappuser"  
psql (17.0)  
Type "help" for help.
```

```
myappdb=>
```





# SSL / TLS



# SSL / TLS

- SSL: Secure Sockets Layer
  - Implementação original pela Netscape, agora obsoleto
- TLS: Transport Layer Security
  - Evolução do SSL
  - Versões obsoletas: 1.0 e 1.1
  - Versões recomendadas: 1.2 e 1.3
- Criptografia a nível de socket TCP
  - HTTPS
  - SSH
  - etc



# SSL / TLS

- Criptografia assimétrica:
  - Par de chaves pública / privada
  - Chave pública para criptografar
  - Chave privada para descriptografar
- Criptografia simétrica:
  - Usa a mesma chave para criptografar e descriptografar



# Certificados SSL

- Um certificado SSL contém:
  - Chave pública
  - Informações sobre a identidade
  - Autoridade certificadora (CA)
  - Entre outras informações
- Chave privada deve ser mantida protegida e nunca compartilhada!

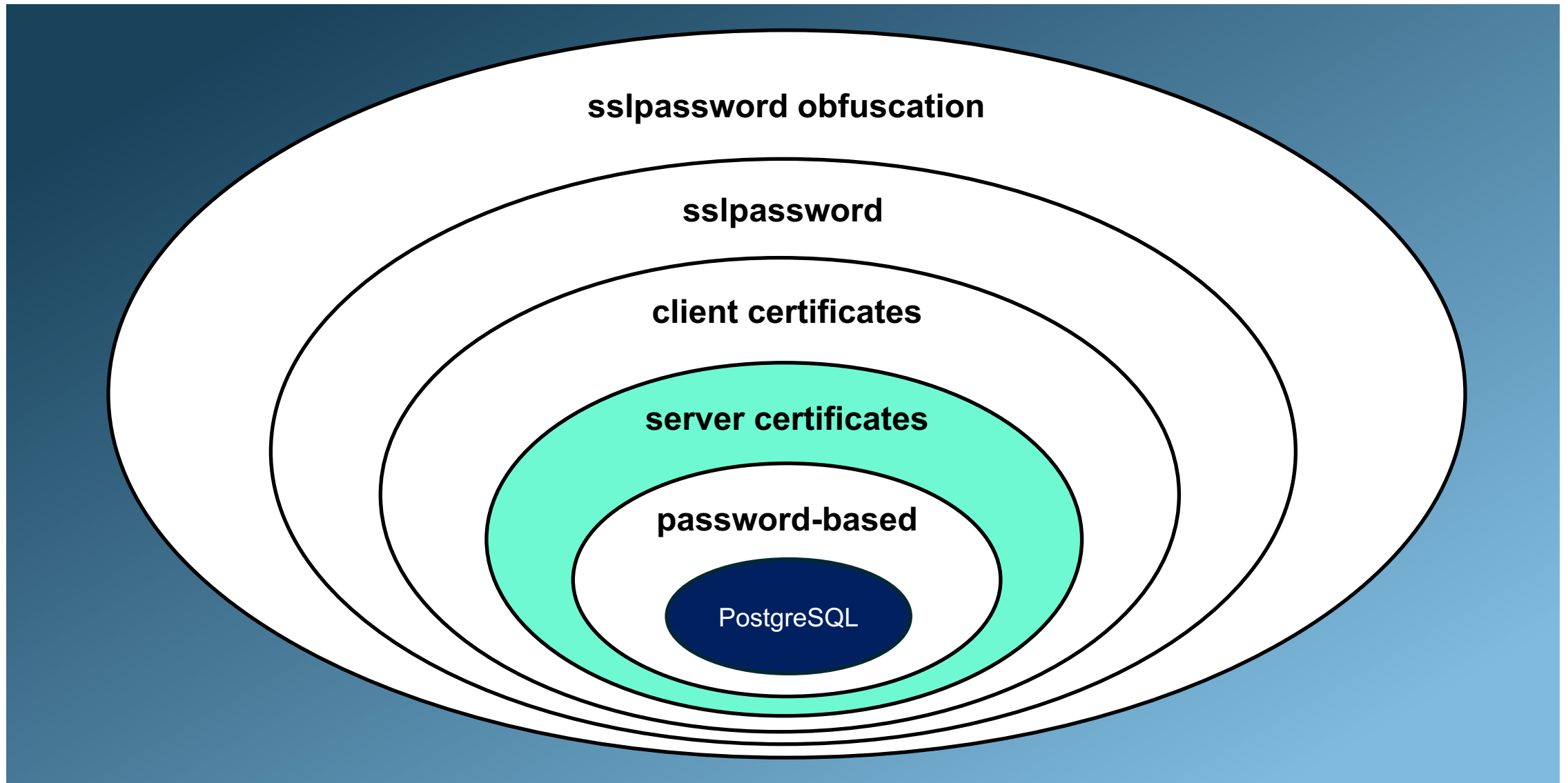


# Comunicação criptografada utilizando certificados SSL

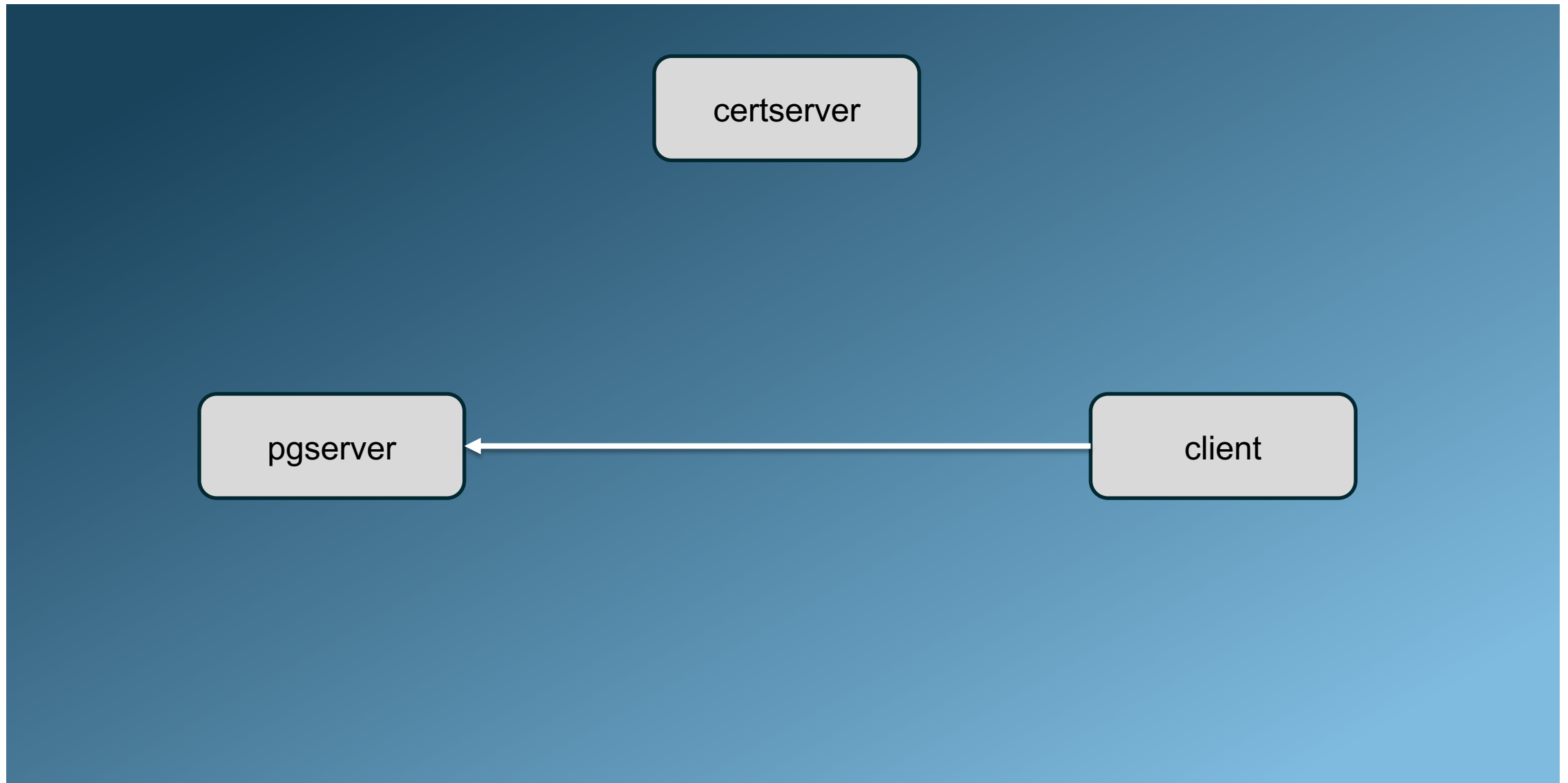
- Usa ambas criptografias assimétrica e simétrica
- Assimétrica:
  - TLS handshake
  - Utiliza o par de chaves
  - Criar e criptografar a nova chave simétrica ou token que será usado para aquele canal de comunicação
- Simétrica:
  - Uma vez estabelecida a chave simétrica durante o TLS handshake, é usada para criptografar toda a comunicação em ambas as direções



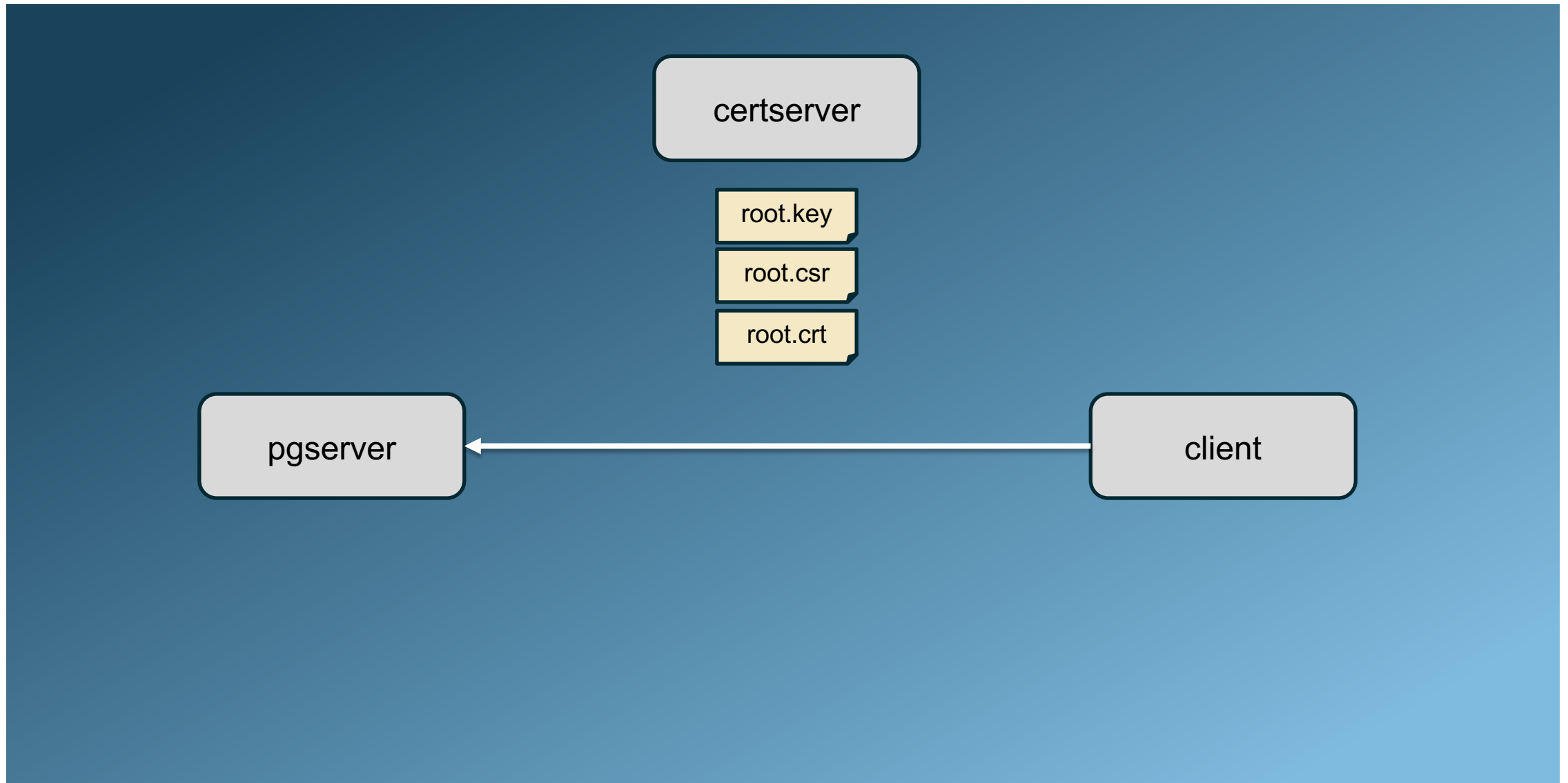
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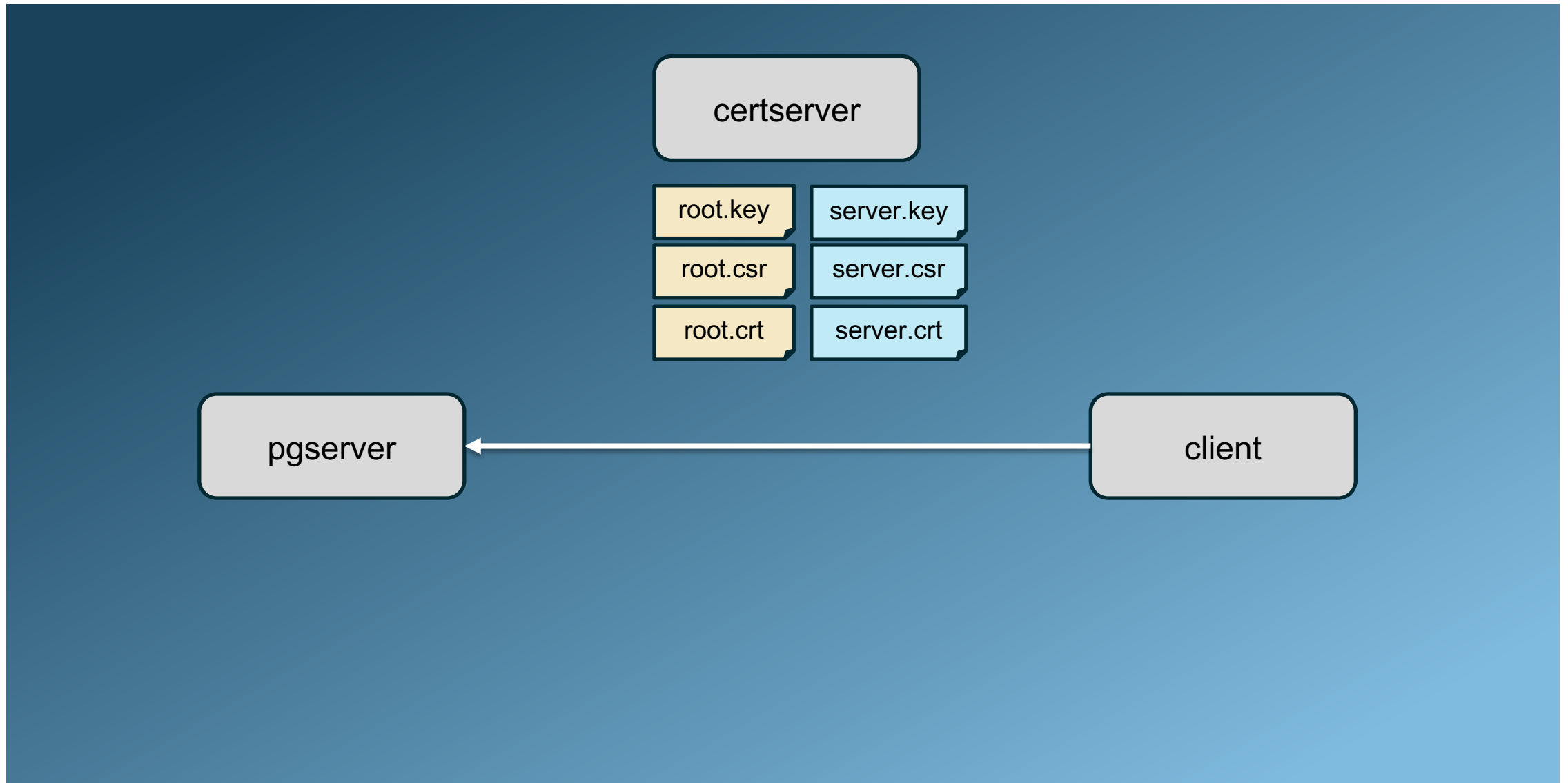


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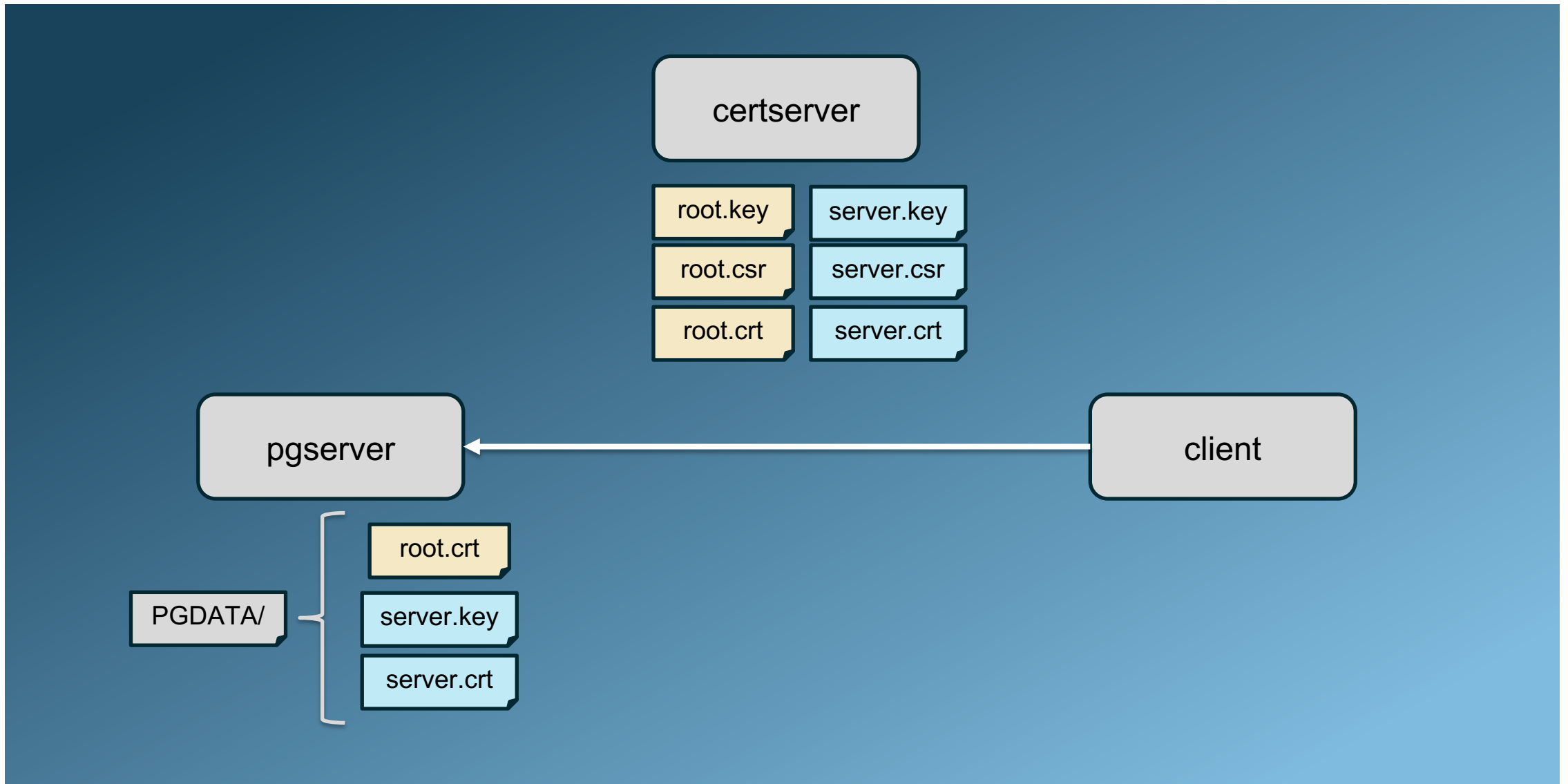




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## 2- Server certificates

postgresql.conf:

```
ssl = on  
ssl_key_file = 'server.key'  
ssl_cert_file = 'server.crt'  
ssl_ca_file = 'root.crt'
```

pg\_hba.conf:

```
hostssl myappdb myappuser 172.18.0.22/32 scram-sha-256
```

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## 2- Server certificates

```
[root@client ~]# psql "host=pgserver port=5432 dbname=myappdb user=myappuser"
psql (17.0)
SSL connection (protocol: TLSv1.3, cipher: TLS_AES_256_GCM_SHA384, compression:
off, ALPN: postgresql)
Type "help" for help.

myappdb=>
```



## 2- Server certificates

```
postgres=# SELECT
```

```
  a.client_addr, a.datname, a.username,  
  s.ssl, s.version, s.bits
```

```
FROM pg_stat_ssl s
```

```
JOIN pg_stat_activity a ON s.pid = a.pid;
```

```
client_addr | datname  | username | ssl | version | bits
```

```
-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----  
172.18.0.22 | myappdb  | myappuser | t   | TLSv1.3 | 256  
            | postgres | postgres  | f   |          |
```

```
(2 rows)
```



sslmode	Descrição
<b>disable</b>	Utilize apenas conexões sem criptografia.
<b>allow</b>	Tente uma conexão sem criptografia. Se falhar, tente com criptografia.
<b>prefer</b>	<b>(Padrão)</b> Tente uma conexão com criptografia. Se falhar, tente sem criptografia.
<b>require</b>	Utilize apenas conexões com criptografia. Se um certificado raiz estiver presente no cliente, valide-o contra o certificado apresentado pelo servidor.
<b>verify-ca</b>	Requer certificado raiz no cliente, que será validado contra o certificado apresentado pelo servidor. Se a validação falhar, a conexão não é permitida.
<b>verify-full</b>	Mesmo que <b>verify-ca</b> , mas também valida o atributo <b>host</b> da connection string contra o <b>CN (Common Name)</b> do certificado apresentado pelo servidor.



## 2- Server certificates (verify-ca)

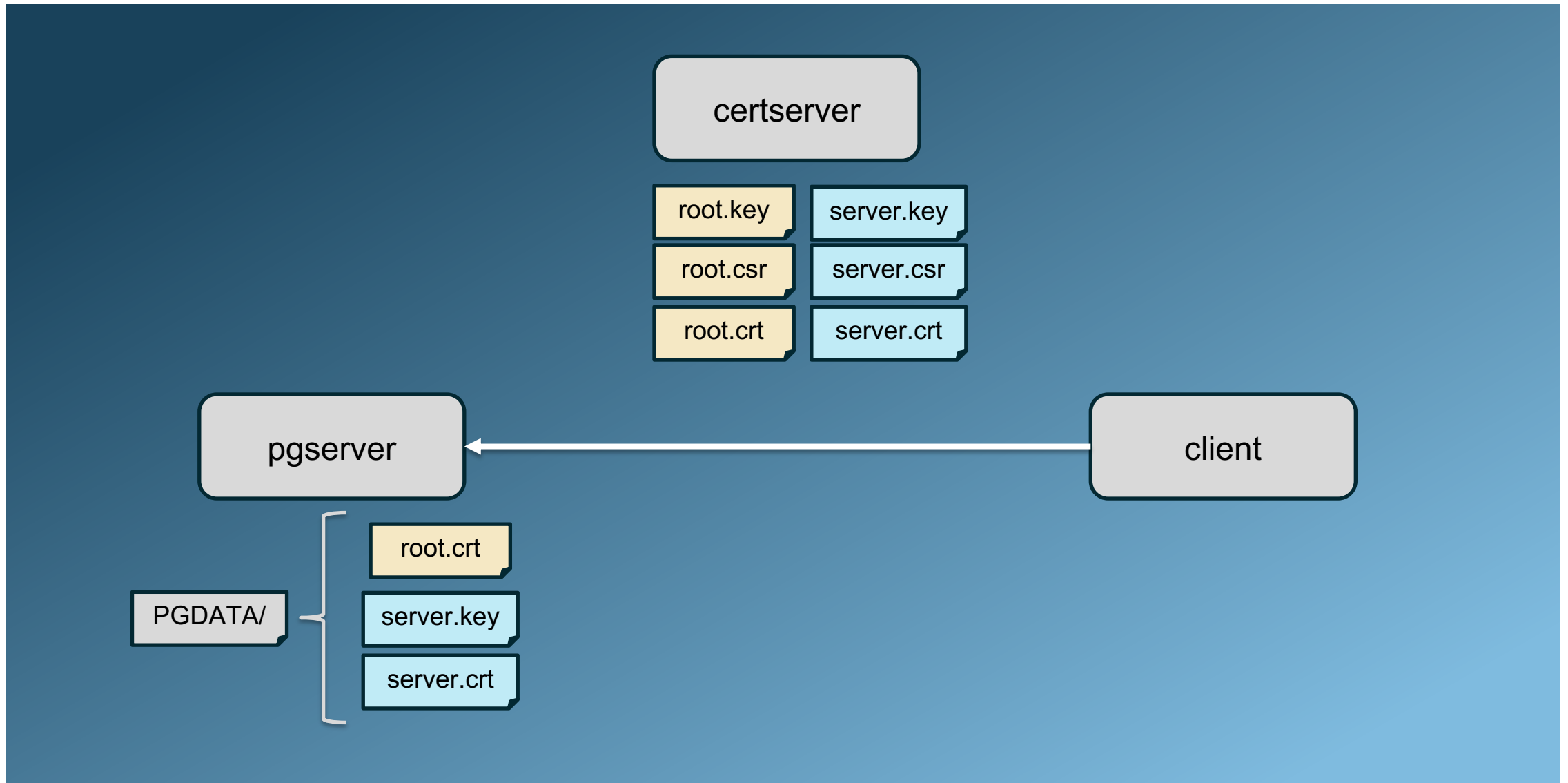
```
[root@client ~]# psql "host=pgserver port=5432 dbname=myappdb user=myappuser  
sslmode=verify-ca"
```

```
psql: error: connection to server at "pgserver" (172.18.0.21), port 5432  
failed: root certificate file "/root/.postgresql/root.crt" does not exist
```

Either provide the file, use the system's trusted roots with  
sslrootcert=system, or change sslmode to disable server certificate  
verification.

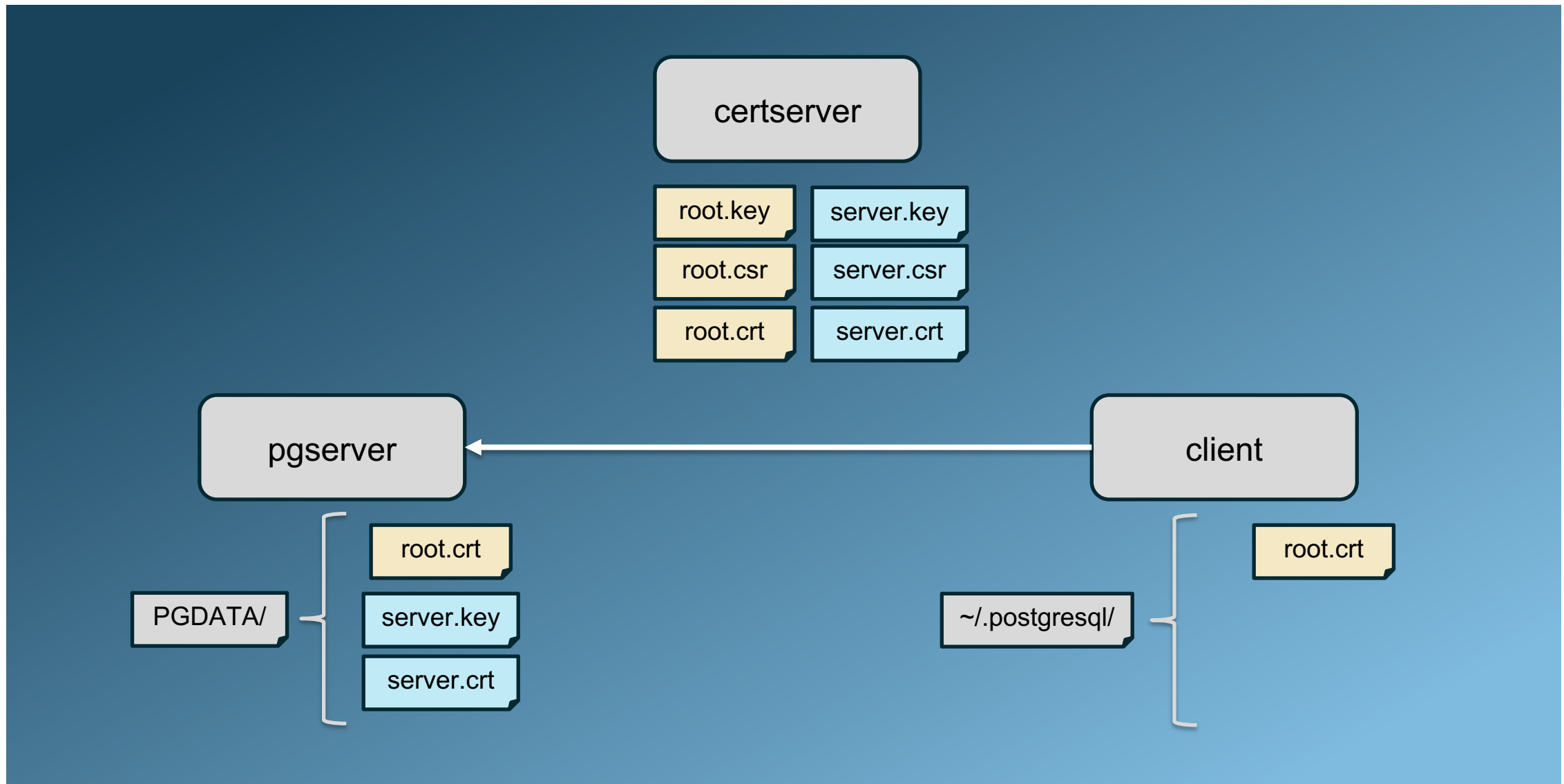


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## 2- SERVER CERTIFICATES (verify-ca)



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```
[root@client ~]# psql "host=pgserver port=5432 dbname=myappdb user=myappuser  
sslmode=verify-ca"
```

```
psql (17.0)
```

```
SSL connection (protocol: TLSv1.3, cipher: TLS_AES_256_GCM_SHA384, compression:  
off, ALPN: postgresql)
```

```
Type "help" for help.
```

```
myappdb=>
```

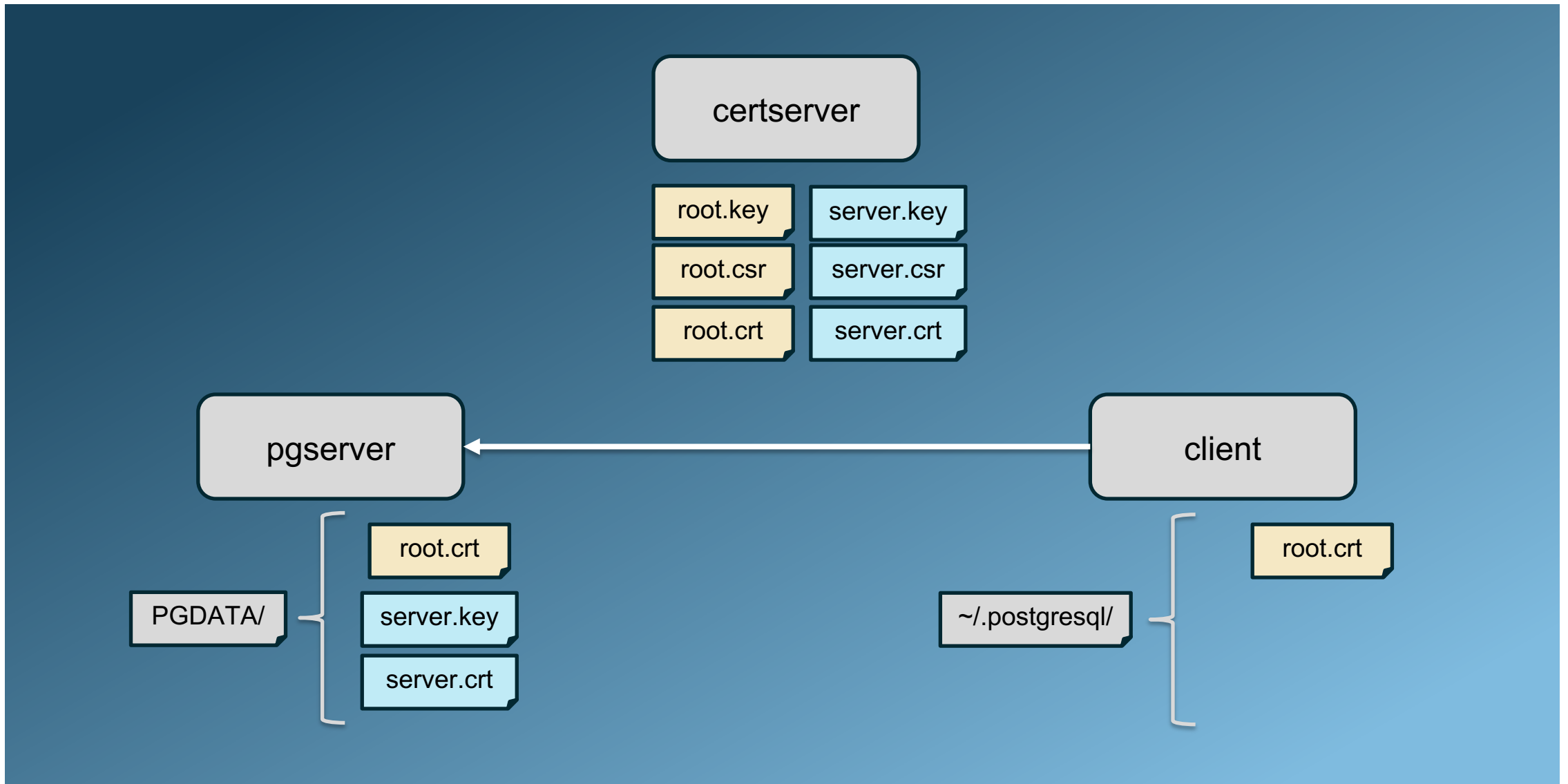


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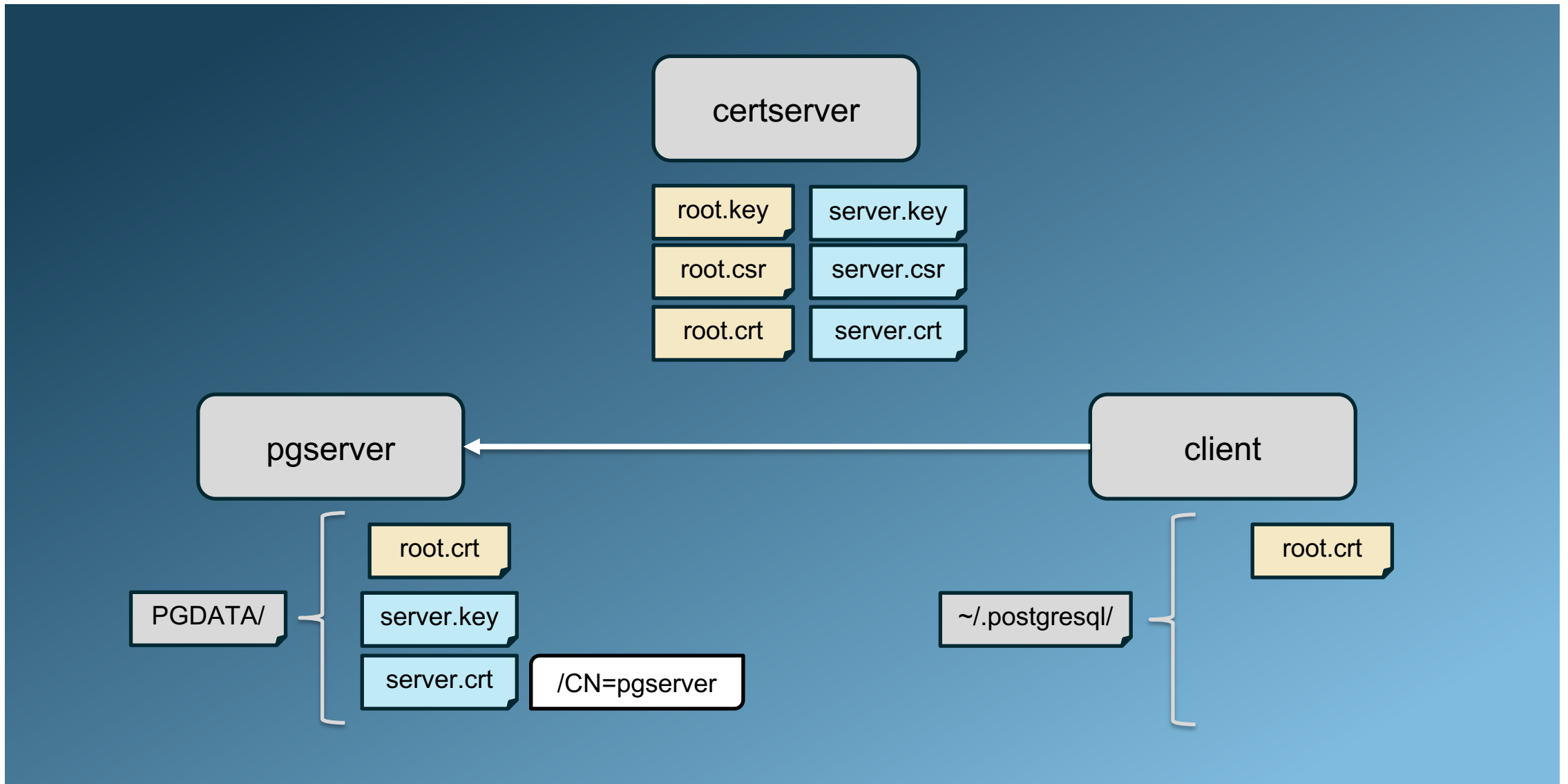
```
[root@client ~]# psql "host=pgserver port=5432 dbname=myappdb user=myappuser  
sslmode=verify-ca sslrootcert='/root/.postgresql/root.crt'"  
psql (17.0)  
SSL connection (protocol: TLSv1.3, cipher: TLS_AES_256_GCM_SHA384, compression:  
off, ALPN: postgresql)  
Type "help" for help.  
  
myappdb=>
```



## 2- SERVER CERTIFICATES (verify-ca)



## 2- SERVER CERTIFICATES (verify-full)



## 2- Server certificates (verify-full)

```
[root@client ~]# psql "host=172.18.0.21 port=5432 dbname=myappdb user=myappuser  
sslmode=verify-full"
```

```
psql: error: connection to server at "172.18.0.21", port 5432 failed: server  
certificate for "pgserver" does not match host name "172.18.0.21"
```

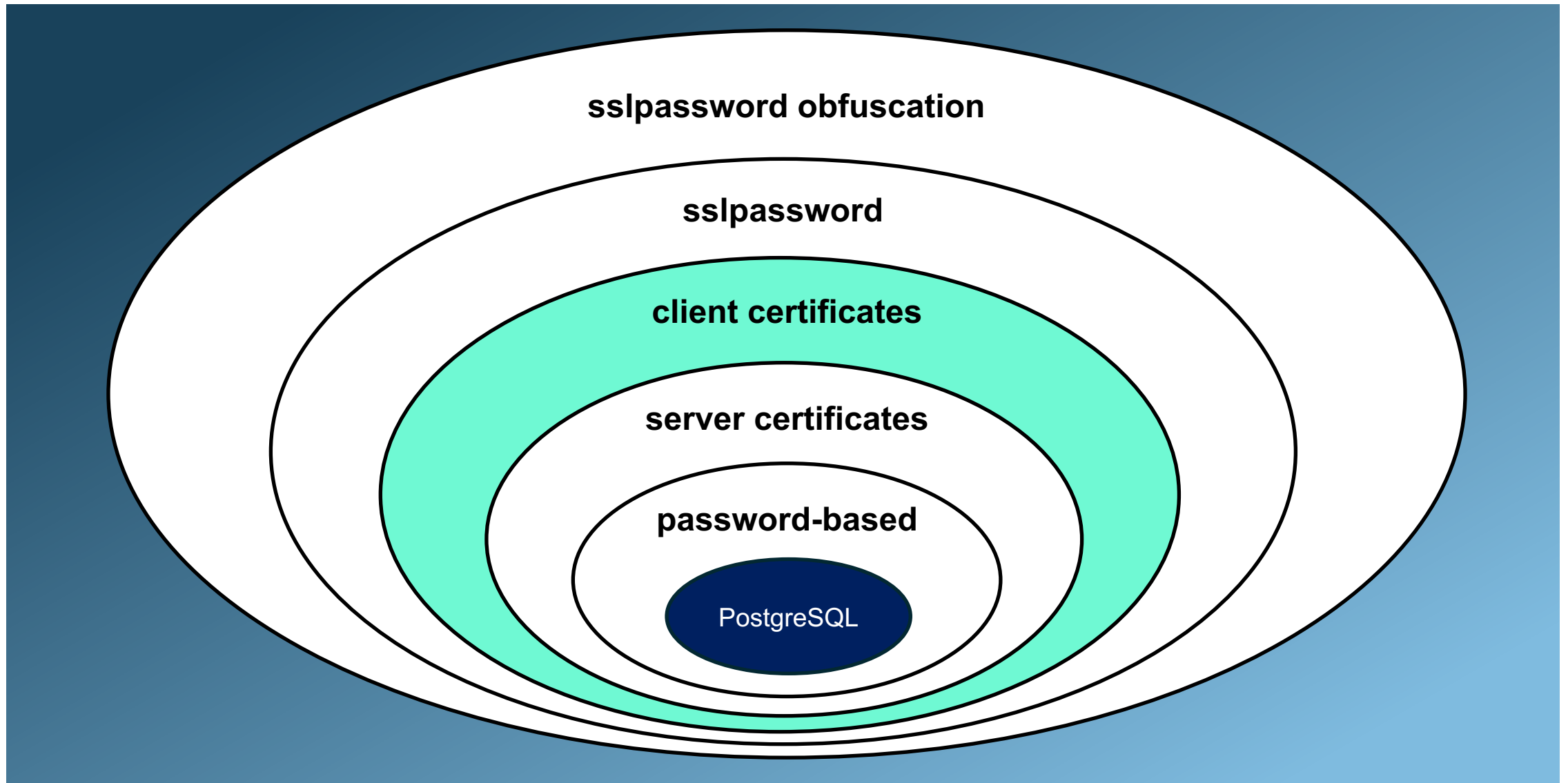


## 2- Server certificates (verify-full)

```
[root@client ~]# psql "host=pgserver port=5432 dbname=myappdb user=myappuser  
sslmode=verify-full"  
psql (17.0)  
SSL connection (protocol: TLSv1.3, cipher: TLS_AES_256_GCM_SHA384, compression:  
off, ALPN: postgresql)  
Type "help" for help.  
  
myappdb=>
```

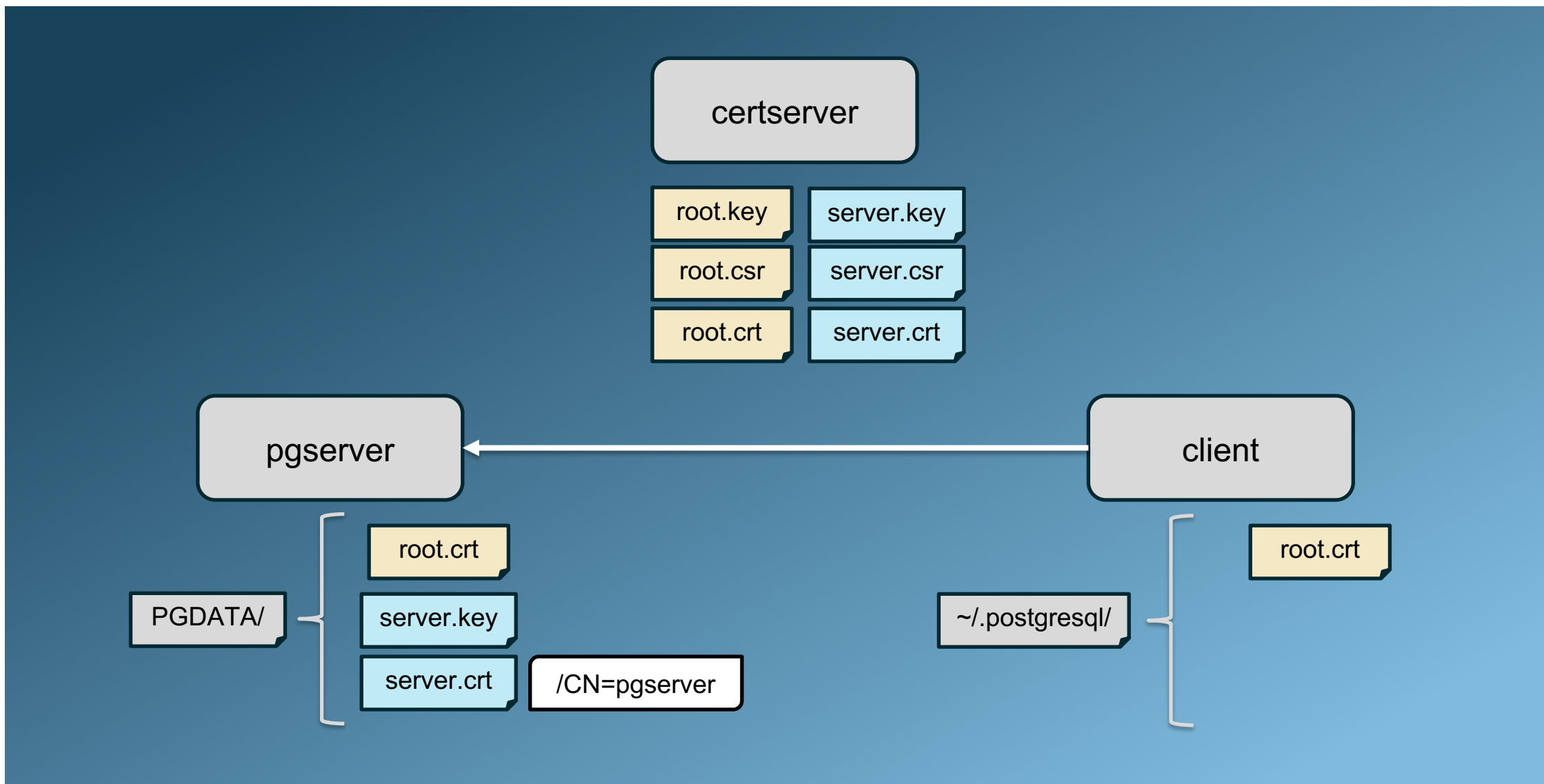


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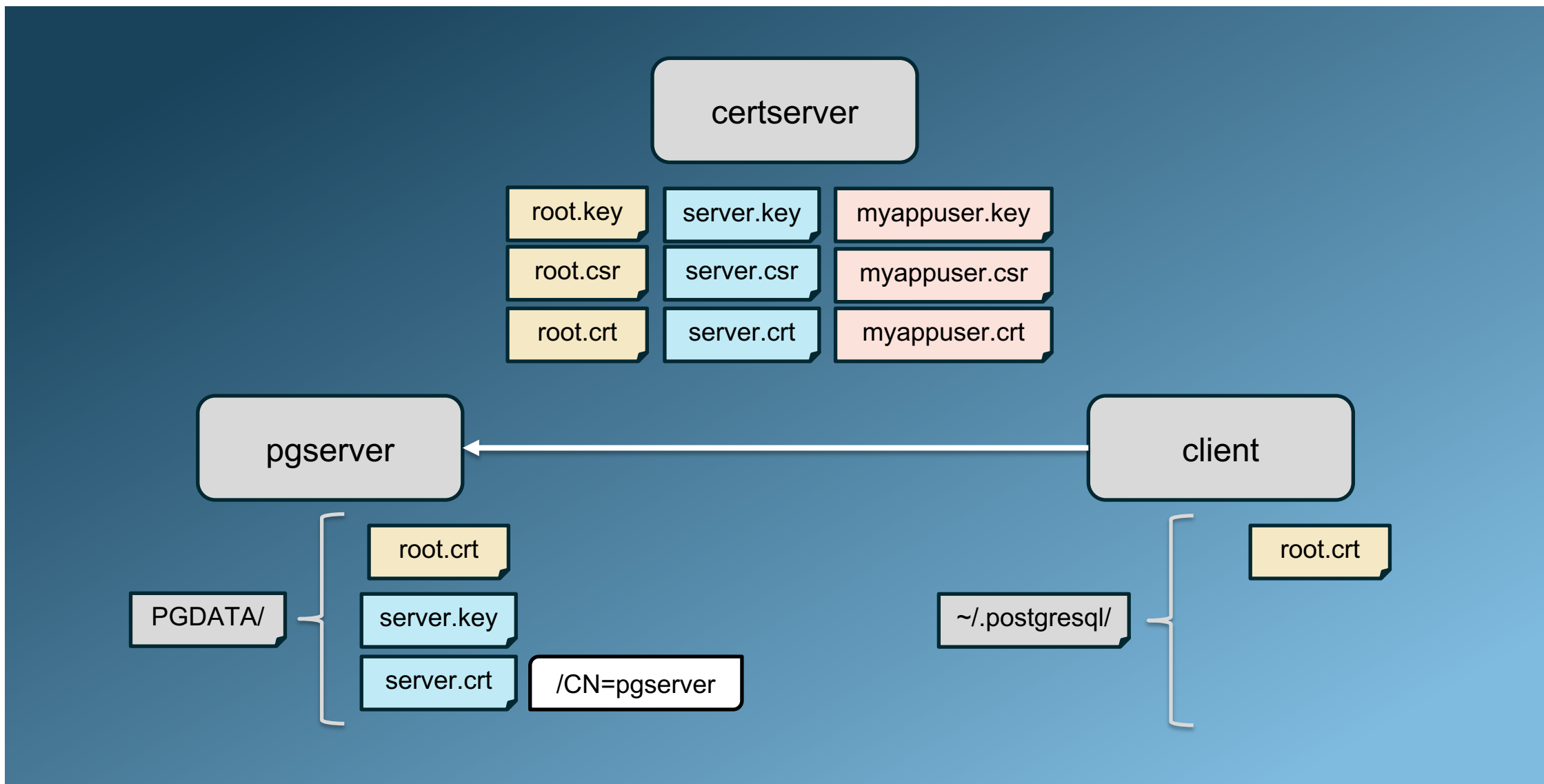




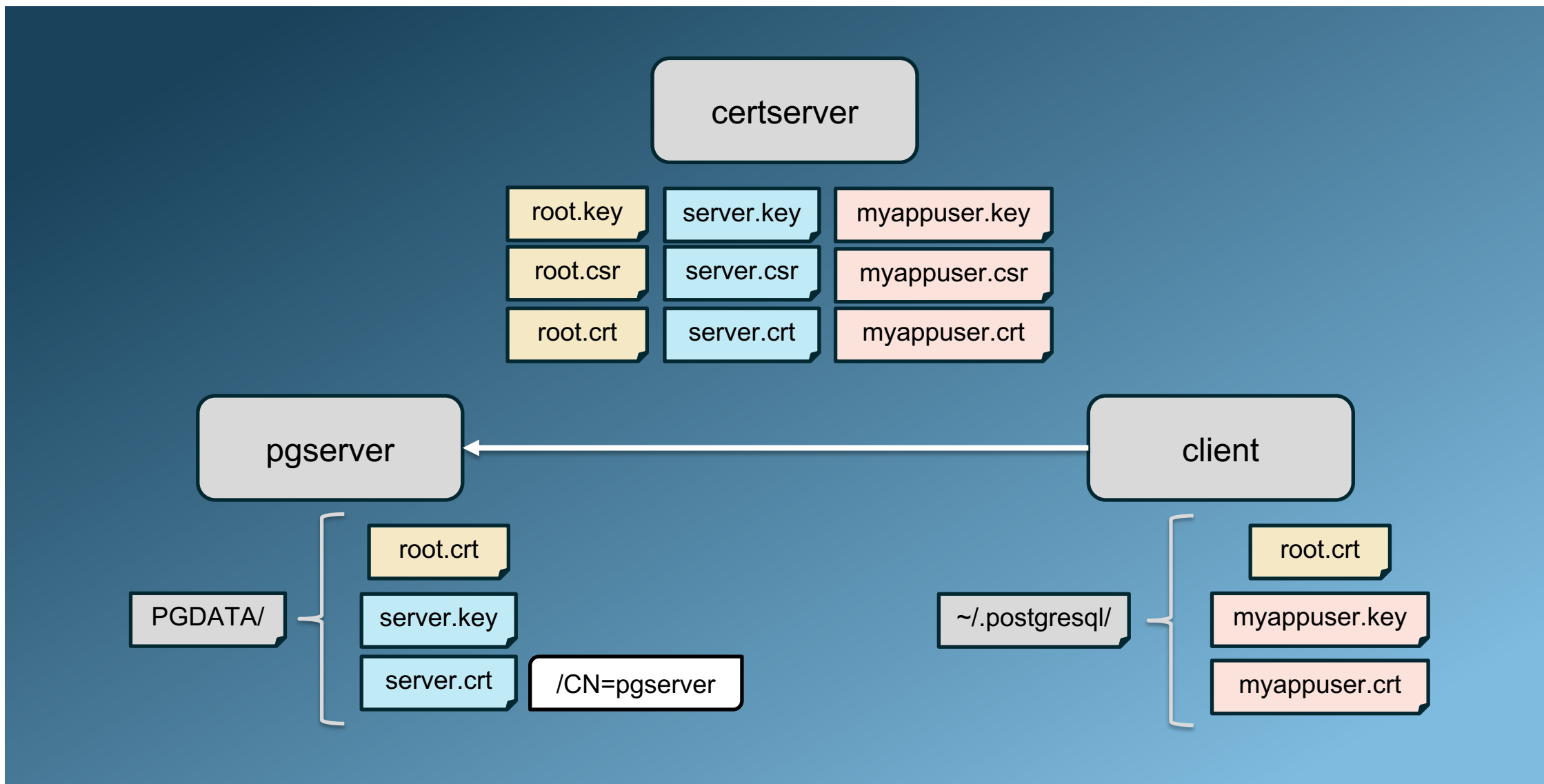
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## 3- Client certificates

pg\_hba.conf:

-- Postgres verifica o ssl\_ca\_file contra o root CA do client certificate

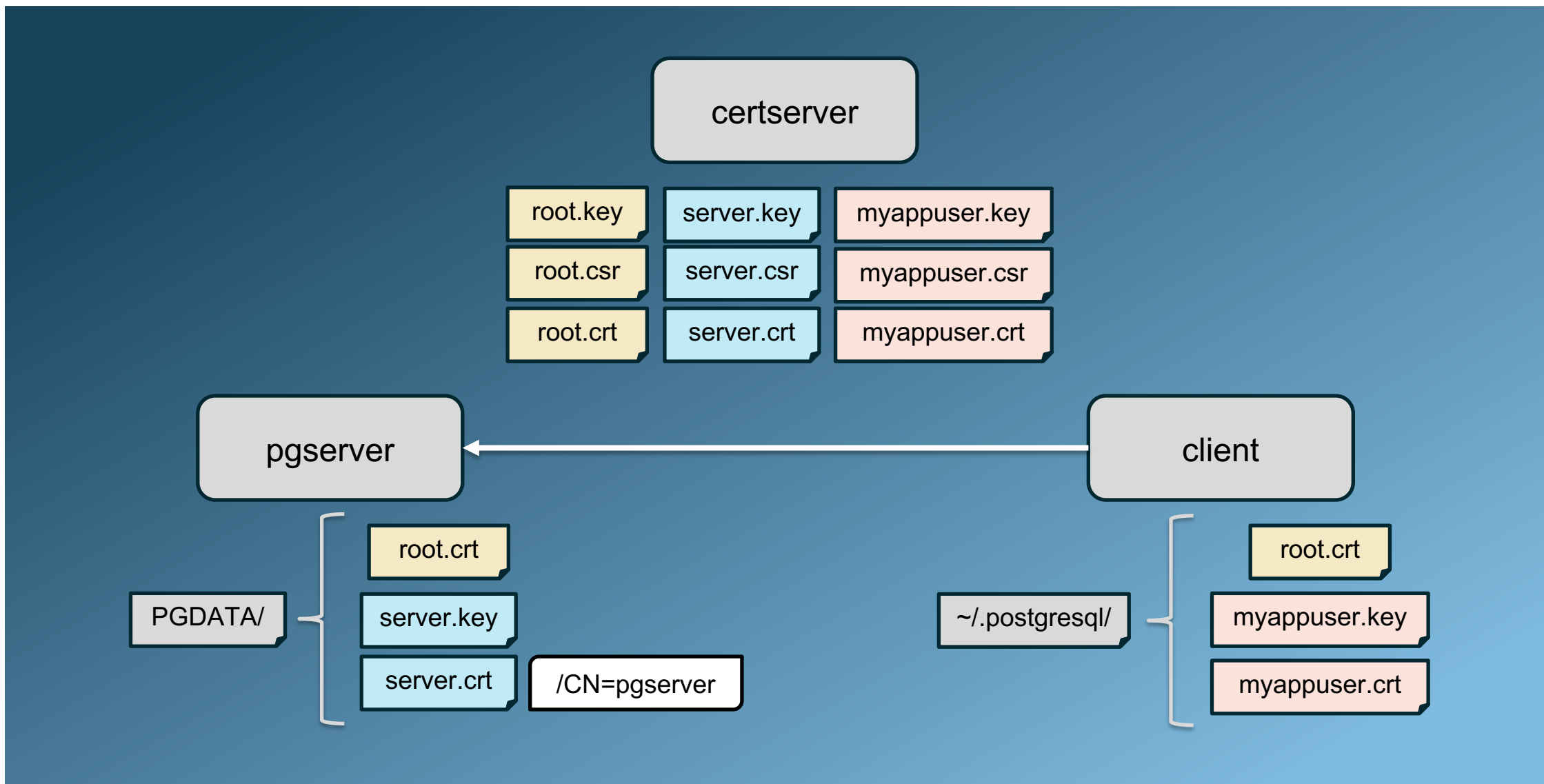
hostssl myappdb myappuser 172.18.0.22/32 scram-sha-256 clientcert=verify-ca

-- Postgres também verifica o CN do client certificate contra o nome de usuário

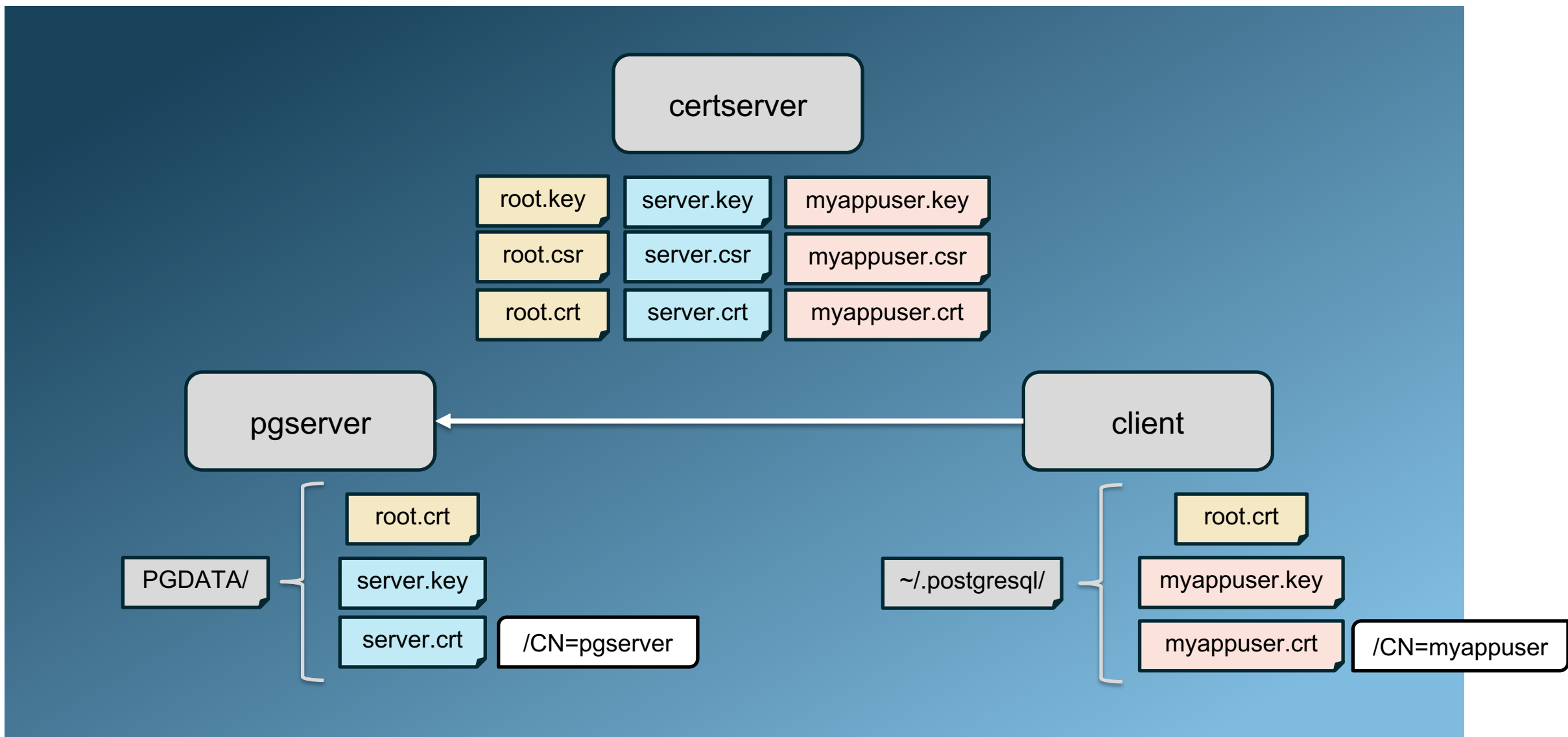
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### 3- Client certificates

```
[root@client ~]# psql "host=pgserver port=5432 dbname=myappdb user=myappuser  
sslmode=verify-full"
```

```
psql: error: connection to server at "pgserver" (172.18.0.21), port 5432  
failed: FATAL: connection requires a valid client certificate
```



### 3- Client certificates

```
[root@client ~]# psql "host=pgserver port=5432 dbname=myappdb user=myappuser  
sslmode=verify-full sslkey=/root/.postgresql/myappuser.key  
sslcert=/root/.postgresql/myappuser.crt"
```

```
psql (17.0)
```

```
SSL connection (protocol: TLSv1.3, cipher: TLS_AES_256_GCM_SHA384, compression:  
off, ALPN: postgresql)
```

```
Type "help" for help.
```

```
myappdb=>
```





### 3- Client certificates

```
[root@client ~]# export PGSSLKEY=/root/.postgresql/myappuser.key
```

```
[root@client ~]# export PGSSLCERT=/root/.postgresql/myappuser.crt
```

```
[root@client ~]# psql "host=pgserver port=5432 dbname=myappdb user=myappuser  
sslmode=verify-full"
```

```
psql (17.0)
```

```
SSL connection (protocol: TLSv1.3, cipher: TLS_AES_256_GCM_SHA384, compression:  
off, ALPN: postgresql)
```

```
Type "help" for help.
```

```
myappdb=>
```



### 3- Client certificates

```
[root@client ~]# mv ~/.postgresql/myappuser.key ~/.postgresql/postgresql.key
```

```
[root@client ~]# mv ~/.postgresql/myappuser.crt ~/.postgresql/postgresql.crt
```

```
[root@client ~]# psql "host=pgserver port=5432 dbname=myappdb user=myappuser  
sslmode=verify-full"
```

```
psql (17.0)
```

```
SSL connection (protocol: TLSv1.3, cipher: TLS_AES_256_GCM_SHA384, compression:  
off, ALPN: postgresql)
```

```
Type "help" for help.
```

```
myappdb=>
```



# 3- Client certificates

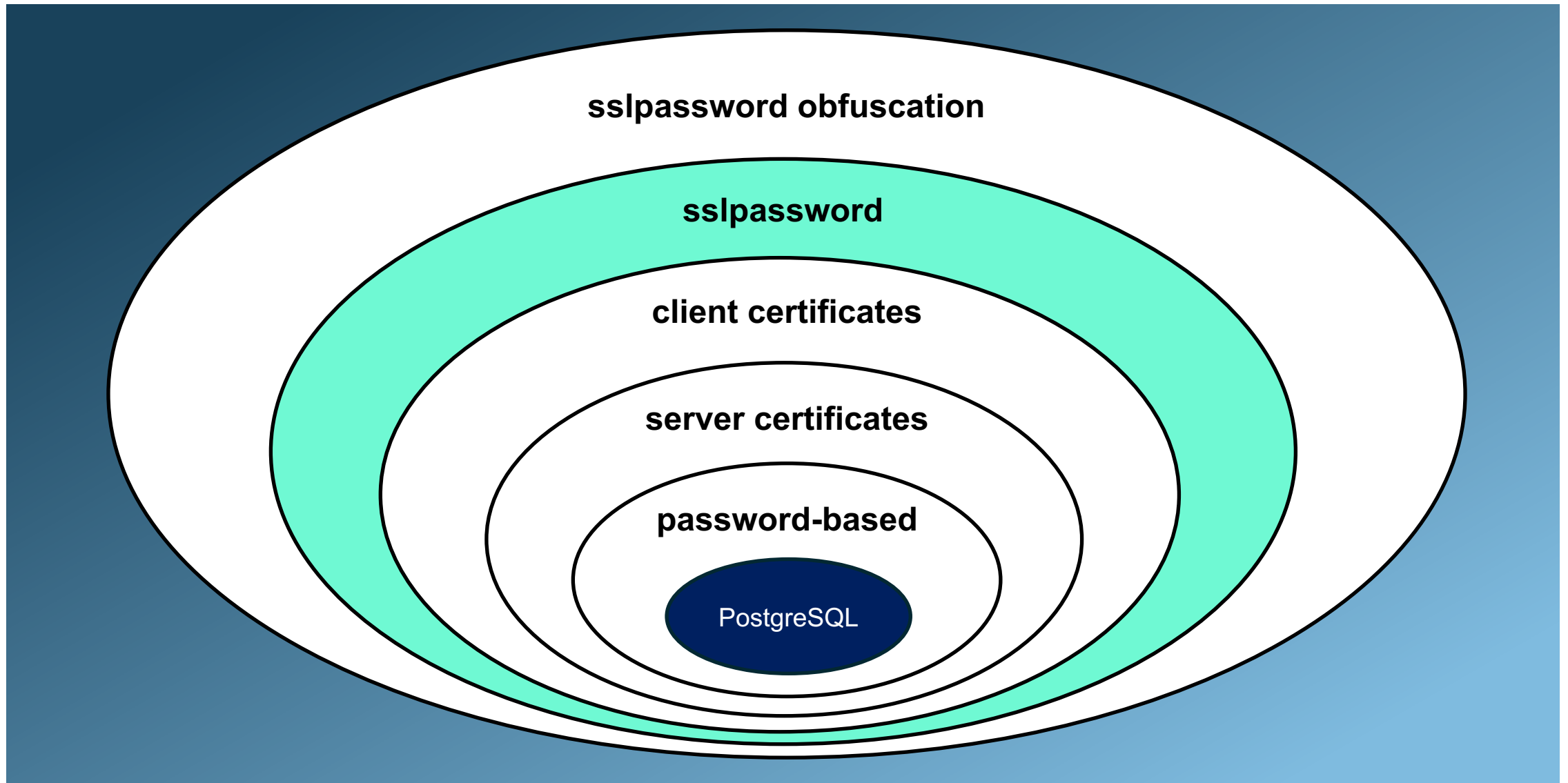
```
postgres=# SELECT
  a.client_addr, a.datname, a.username,
  s.ssl, s.version, s.bits, s.client_dn, s.issuer_dn
FROM pg_stat_ssl s
JOIN pg_stat_activity a ON s.pid = a.pid;
```

client_addr	datname	username	ssl	version	bits	client_dn	issuer_dn
172.18.0.22	myappdb	myappuser	t	TLSv1.3	256	/CN=myappuser	/CN=certserver
	postgres	postgres	f				

(2 rows)



## 4- SSLPASSWORD



## 4- sslpassword

pg\_hba.conf:

-- O método de autenticação “cert”

hostssl myappdb myappuser 172.18.0.22/32 cert

-- Na verdade é o mesmo que:

hostssl myappdb myappuser 172.18.0.22/32 trust clientcert=verify-full



## 4- sslpassword

```
[root@client ~]# rm ~/.pgpass
```

```
[root@client ~]# export PGSSLKEY=/root/.postgresql/myappuser.key
```

```
[root@client ~]# export PGSSLCERT=/root/.postgresql/myappuser.crt
```

```
[root@client ~]# psql "host=pgserver port=5432 dbname=myappdb user=myappuser  
sslmode=verify-full"
```

Enter PEM pass phrase:

```
psql (17.0)
```

```
SSL connection (protocol: TLSv1.3, cipher: TLS_AES_256_GCM_SHA384, compression:  
off, ALPN: postgresql)
```

```
Type "help" for help.
```

```
myappdb=>
```



## 4- sslpassword

```
[root@client ~]# psql "host=pgserver port=5432 dbname=myappdb user=myappuser  
sslmode=verify-full sslpassword='oe4keeP3'"  
psql (17.0)  
SSL connection (protocol: TLSv1.3, cipher: TLS_AES_256_GCM_SHA384, compression:  
off, ALPN: postgresql)  
Type "help" for help.  
  
myappdb=>
```



## 4- sslpassword

```
[root@client ~]# psql "host=pgserver port=5432 dbname=myappdb user=myappuser  
sslmode=verify-full"
```

Enter PEM pass phrase:

```
psql: error: connection to server at "pgserver" (172.18.0.21), port 5432  
failed: could not load private key file "/root/.postgresql/myappuser.key": bad  
decrypt
```

```
[root@client ~]# psql "host=pgserver port=5432 dbname=myappdb user=myappuser  
sslmode=verify-full sslpassword='aaa'"
```

```
psql: error: connection to server at "pgserver" (172.18.0.21), port 5432  
failed: could not load private key file "/root/.postgresql/myappuser.key": bad  
decrypt
```





## 4- sslpassword

~/ .pg\_service.conf:

[myapp]

host=pgserver

port=5432

dbname=myappdb

user=myappuser

password=ohsei7Ae

sslmode=verify-full

sslrootcert=/root/.postgresql/root.crt

sslcert=/root/.postgresql/myappuser.crt

sslkey=/root/.postgresql/myappuser.key

sslpassword=oe4keeP3



## 4- sslpassword

```
chmod 600 ~/.pg_service.conf
```

```
[root@client ~]# psql "service=myapp"
```

```
psql (17.0)
```

```
SSL connection (protocol: TLSv1.3, cipher: TLS_AES_256_GCM_SHA384, compression:  
off, ALPN: postgresql)
```

```
Type "help" for help.
```

```
myappdb=>
```



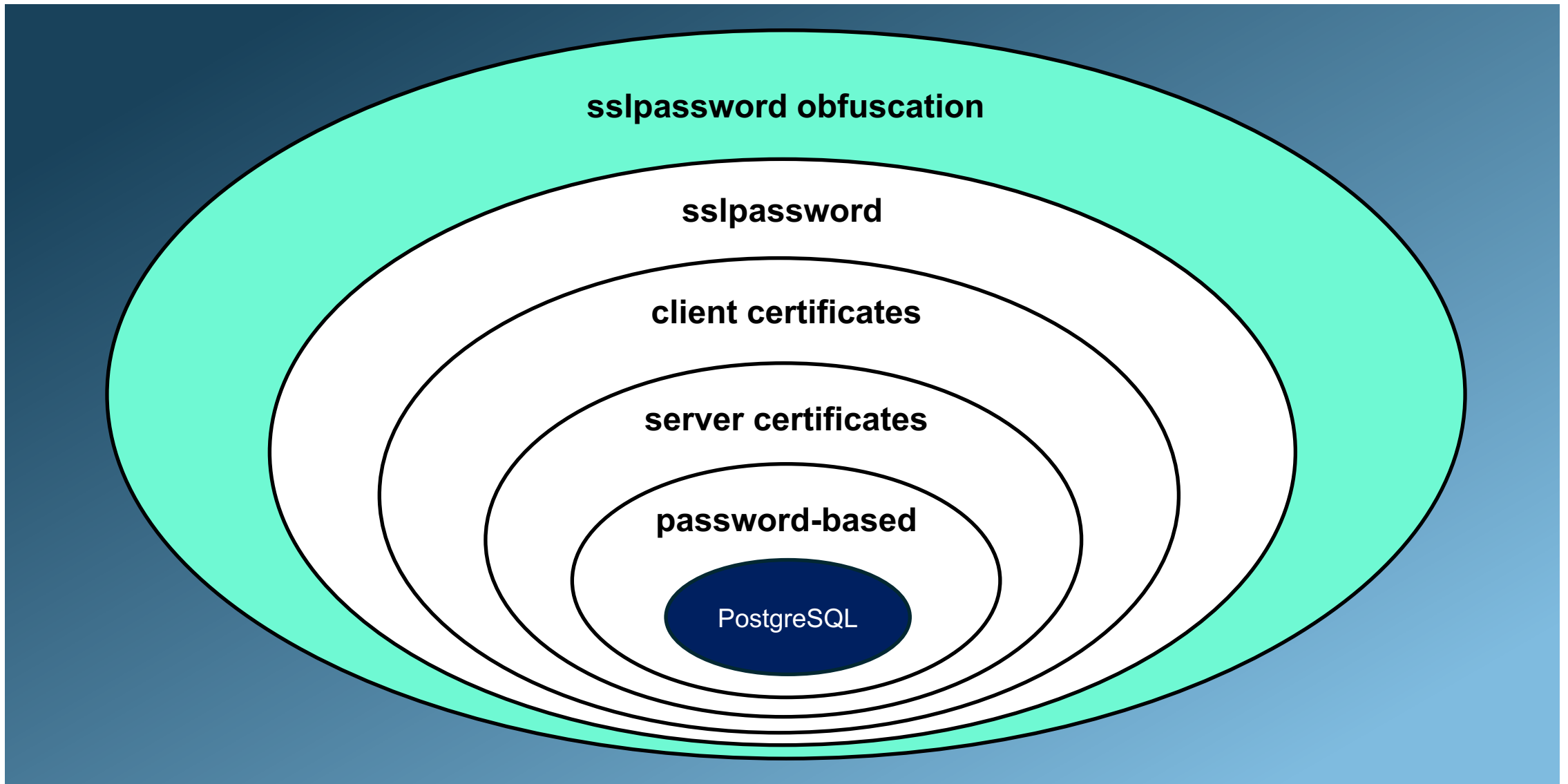
	password	sslpassword
<b>Senha de que?</b>	Do usuário do banco de dados.	Da chave SSL criptografada para conexão via client certificate.
<b>Modo interativo</b>	Password for user XXX:	Enter PEM pass phrase:
<b>Variável de ambiente</b>	PGPASSWORD	N/A
<b>Arquivo de senha</b>	~/ .pgpass	N/A
<b>Pode ser usado no ~/ .pg_service.conf?</b>	Sim	Sim



# sslpassword obfuscation



## 5- SSLPASSWORD OBFUSCATION



## 5- sslpassword obfuscation

- Não há variável de ambiente para **sslpassword**
- Nem sempre é possível usar `~/.pg_service.conf` pra esconder a **sslpassword**
- **sslpassword** pode ser necessária em uma connection string compartilhada
- Já temos segurança...
  - Regras no **pg\_hba.conf**
  - Acesso aos client certificates
- ... Mas podemos dificultar ainda mais!



## 5- sslpassword obfuscation

- **Estratégia**
  - Ofuscar a **sslpassword** na connection string
  - Desofuscar a **sslpassword** no momento da conexão
- **Como**
  - Hook **PQsetSSLKeyPassHook\_OpenSSL**
  - Permite construir uma **biblioteca de deofuscação** a ser carregada junto com a **libpq**
  - Função customizada que roda no momento da conexão
- Substituir a **sslpassword** da connection string pela **sslpassword** real



## 5- sslpassword obfuscation

```
static char * get_sslpassword(PGconn * conn) {  
    PQconninfoOption *conninfo = (*PQconninfo_func)(conn);  
    char * result = NULL;  
    PQconninfoOption *cursor;  
    for (cursor = conninfo; cursor && cursor->keyword; cursor++) {  
        if (strcmp(cursor->keyword, "sslpassword") == 0) {  
            if (cursor->val != NULL)  
                result = strdup(cursor->val);  
            break;  
        }  
    }  
    PQconninfoFree(conninfo);  
    return result;  
}
```





## 5- sslpassword obfuscation

```
static int deobfuscate_pass(char *buf, int size, PGconn *conn) {
    char * obfuscated;
    char deobfuscated[] = "oe4keeP3";
    obfuscated = get_sslpassword(conn);
    if (obfuscated != NULL) {
        // Deofuscação real aconteceria aqui
        //
        free(obfuscated);
        strncpy(buf, deobfuscated, strlen(deobfuscated) + 1);
        return strlen(buf);
    }
    else {
        buf[0] = '\0';
        return 0;
    }
}
```



## 5- sslpassword obfuscation

- Não utilize senha em texto puro na biblioteca!

```
[root@client ~]# strings libpqdeobfuscate.so
```

...

```
oe4keeP3H
```

...

- Ao invés disso implemente ou utilize um algoritmo de deofusão ou descriptografia
- Outros argumentos da connection string podem ser utilizados para o seu algoritmo encontrar a senha real



## 5- sslpassword obfuscation

```
gcc -DUSE_OPENSSL \  
-I/usr/pgsql-17/include/ \  
-I/usr/pgsql-17/include/server/ \  
-L/usr/pgsql-17/include/lib/ \  
-L/usr/lib64/ -lpq \  
libpqdeobfuscate.c \  
-shared -fPIC \  
-o libpqdeobfuscate.so
```



## 5- sslpassword obfuscation

```
[root@client ~]# psql "host=pgserver port=5432 dbname=myappdb user=myappuser  
sslmode=verify-full sslkey=/root/.postgresql/myappuser.key  
sslcert=/root/.postgresql/myappuser.crt sslpassword=XXXXXX"
```

```
psql: error: connection to server at "pgserver" (172.18.0.21), port 5432  
failed: could not load private key file "/root/.postgresql/myappuser.key": bad  
decrypt
```



## 5- sslpassword obfuscation

```
[root@client ~]# export LD_PRELOAD=/usr/pgsql-  
17/lib/libpq.so.5:/root/libpqdeobfuscate.so
```

```
[root@client ~]# psql "host=pgserver port=5432 dbname=myappdb user=myappuser  
sslmode=verify-full sslkey=/root/.postgresql/myappuser.key  
sslcert=/root/.postgresql/myappuser.crt sslpassword=XXXXXX"
```

```
psql (17.0)
```

```
SSL connection (protocol: TLSv1.3, cipher: TLS_AES_256_GCM_SHA384, compression:  
off, ALPN: postgresql)
```

```
Type "help" for help.
```

```
myappdb=>
```



## 5- sslpassword obfuscation

```
[root@client ~]# cat ~/.pg_service.conf  
[myapp]  
host=pgserver  
port=5432  
dbname=myappdb  
user=myappuser  
sslmode=verify-full  
sslrootcert=/root/.postgresql/root.crt  
sslcert=/root/.postgresql/myappuser.crt  
sslkey=/root/.postgresql/myappuser.key  
sslpassword=XXXXXX
```



## 5- sslpassword obfuscation

```
[root@client ~]# psql "service=myapp"
```

```
psql (17.0)
```

```
SSL connection (protocol: TLSv1.3, cipher: TLS_AES_256_GCM_SHA384, compression:  
off, ALPN: postgresql)
```

```
Type "help" for help.
```

```
myappdb=>
```



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- Rocky Linux 9 / PostgreSQL 17
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