Where is my cache?

Architectural patterns for caching microservices by example

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About Hazelcast

- Distributed Company
- Open Source Software
- 140+ Employees
- Hiring (Remote)!
- Recently Raised $21M
- Products:
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Why Caching?

- Performance
  - Decrease latency
  - Reduce load
- Resilience
  - High availability
  - Lower downtime

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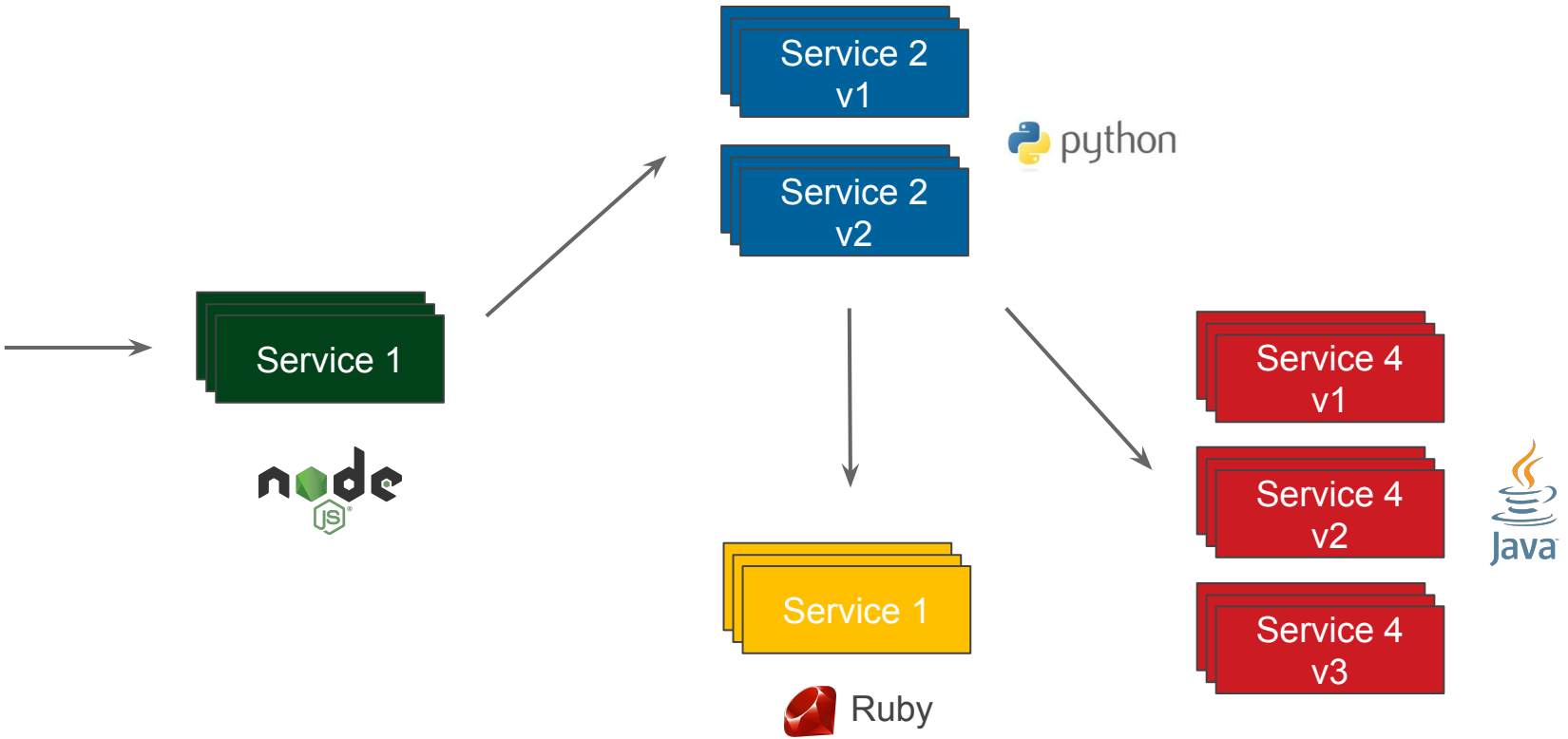

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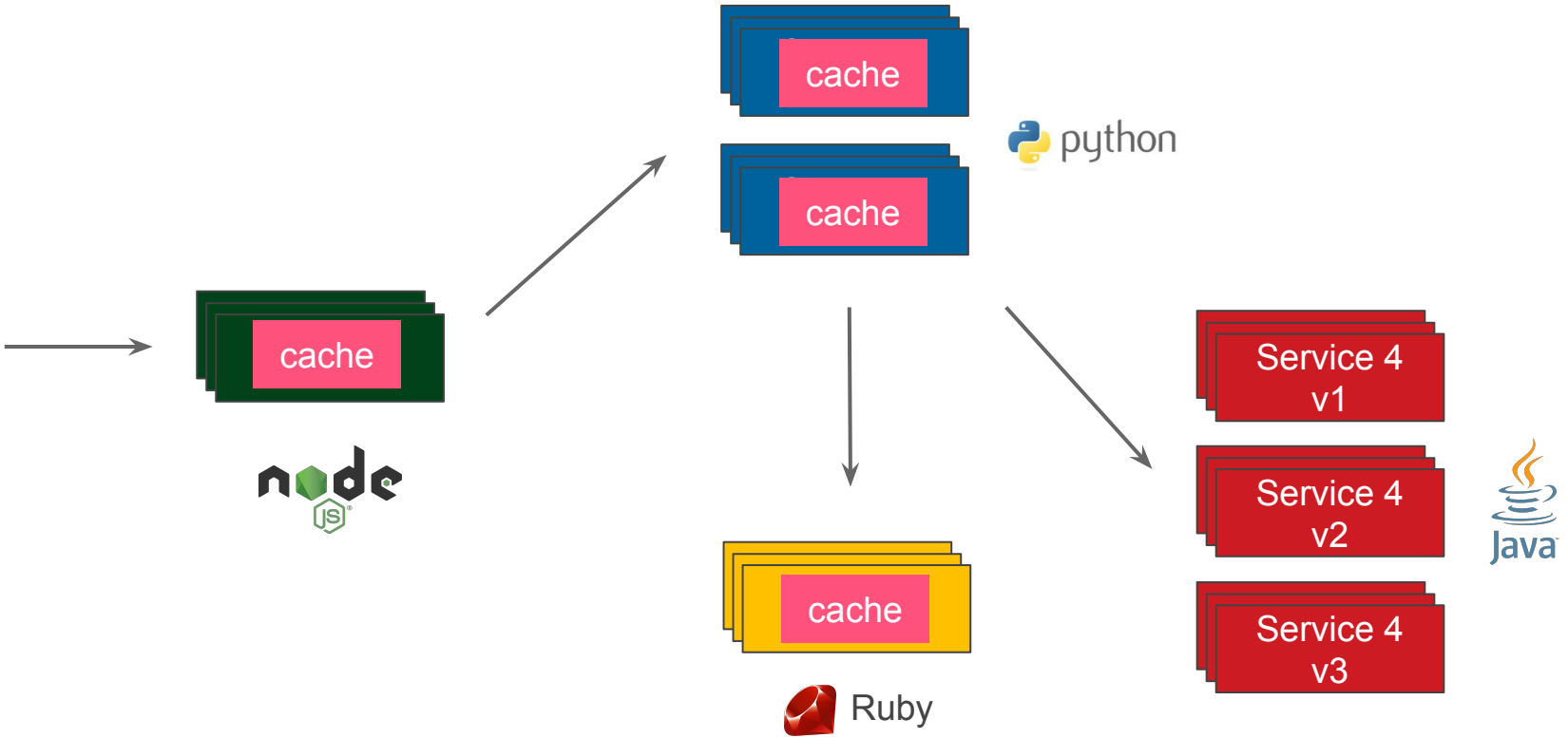

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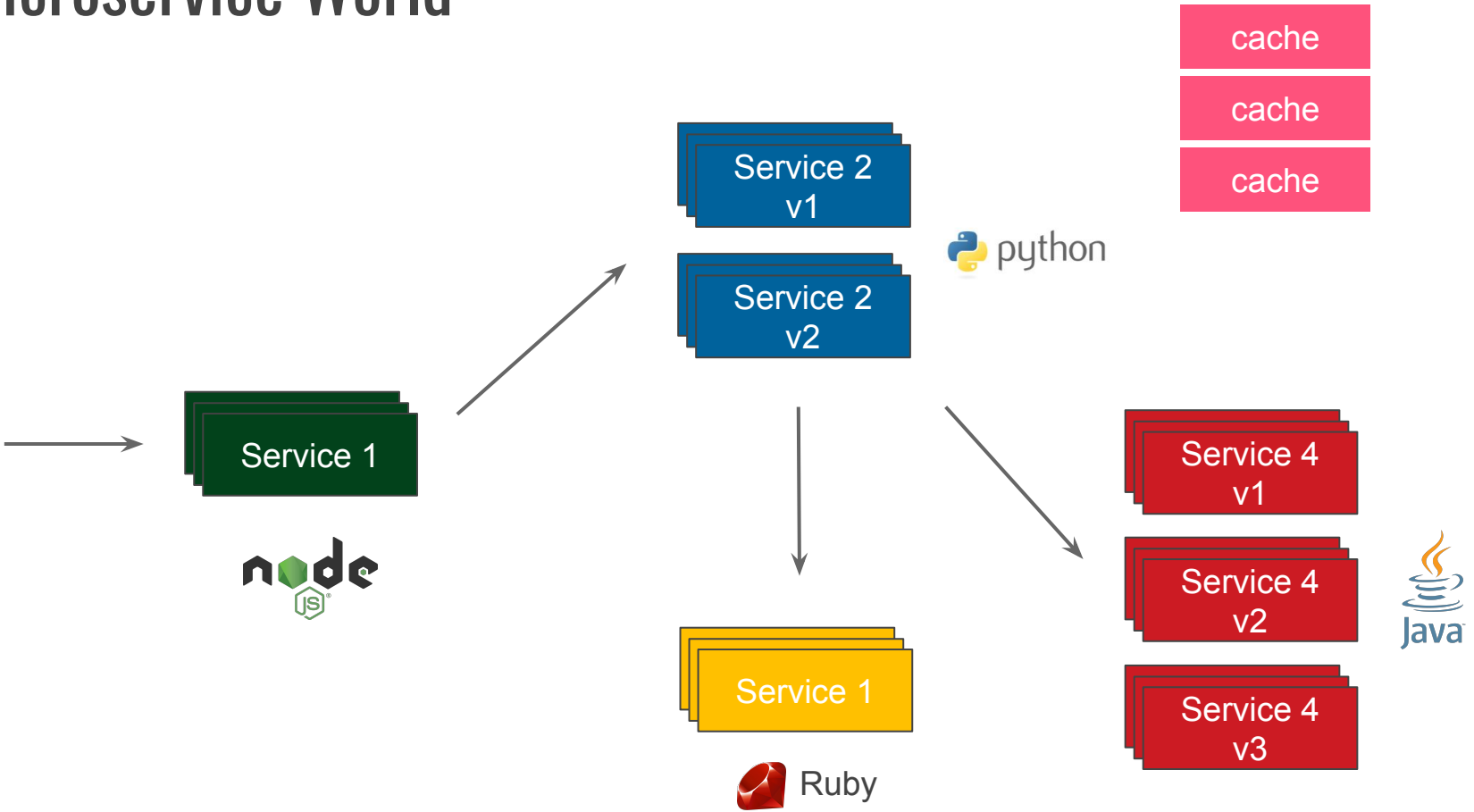

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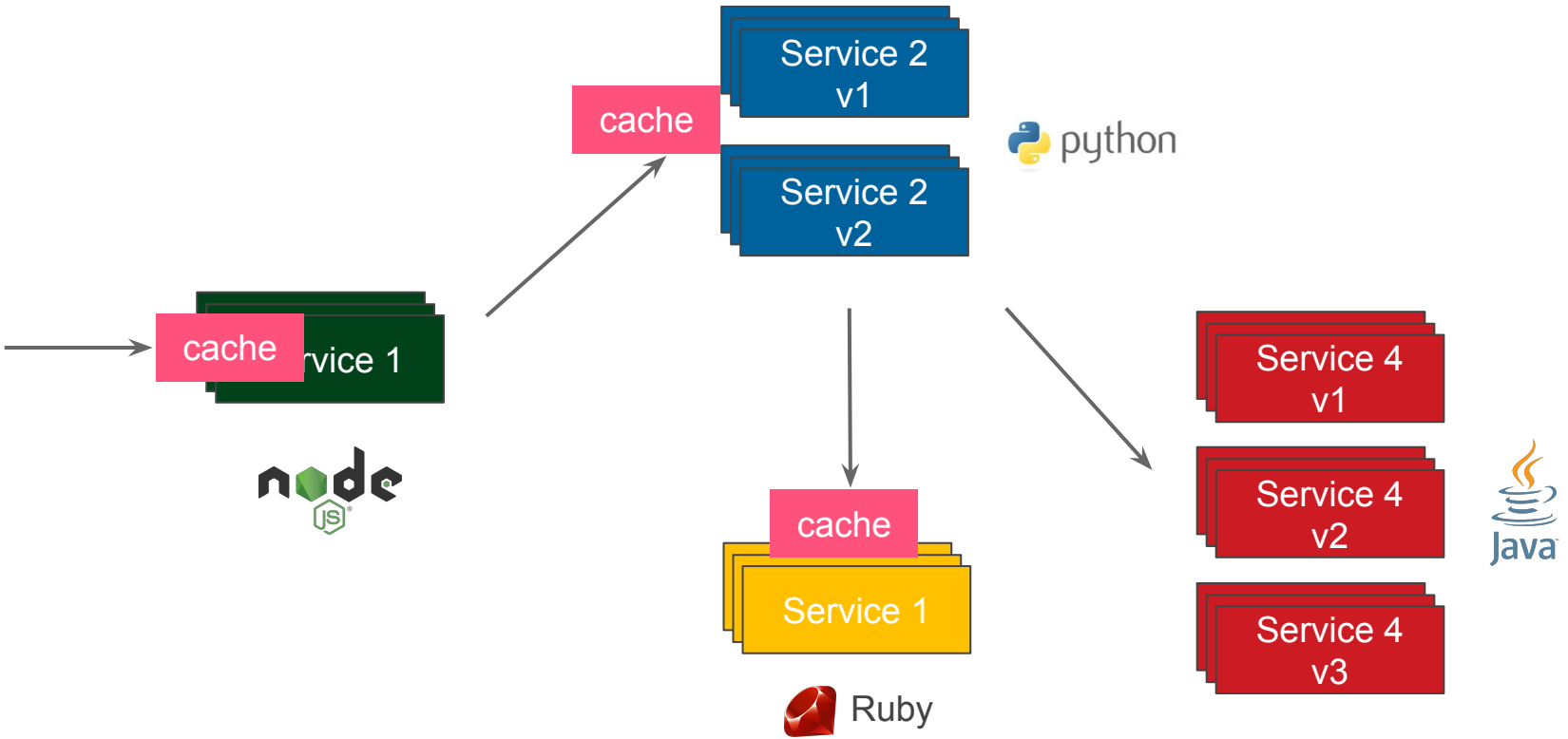

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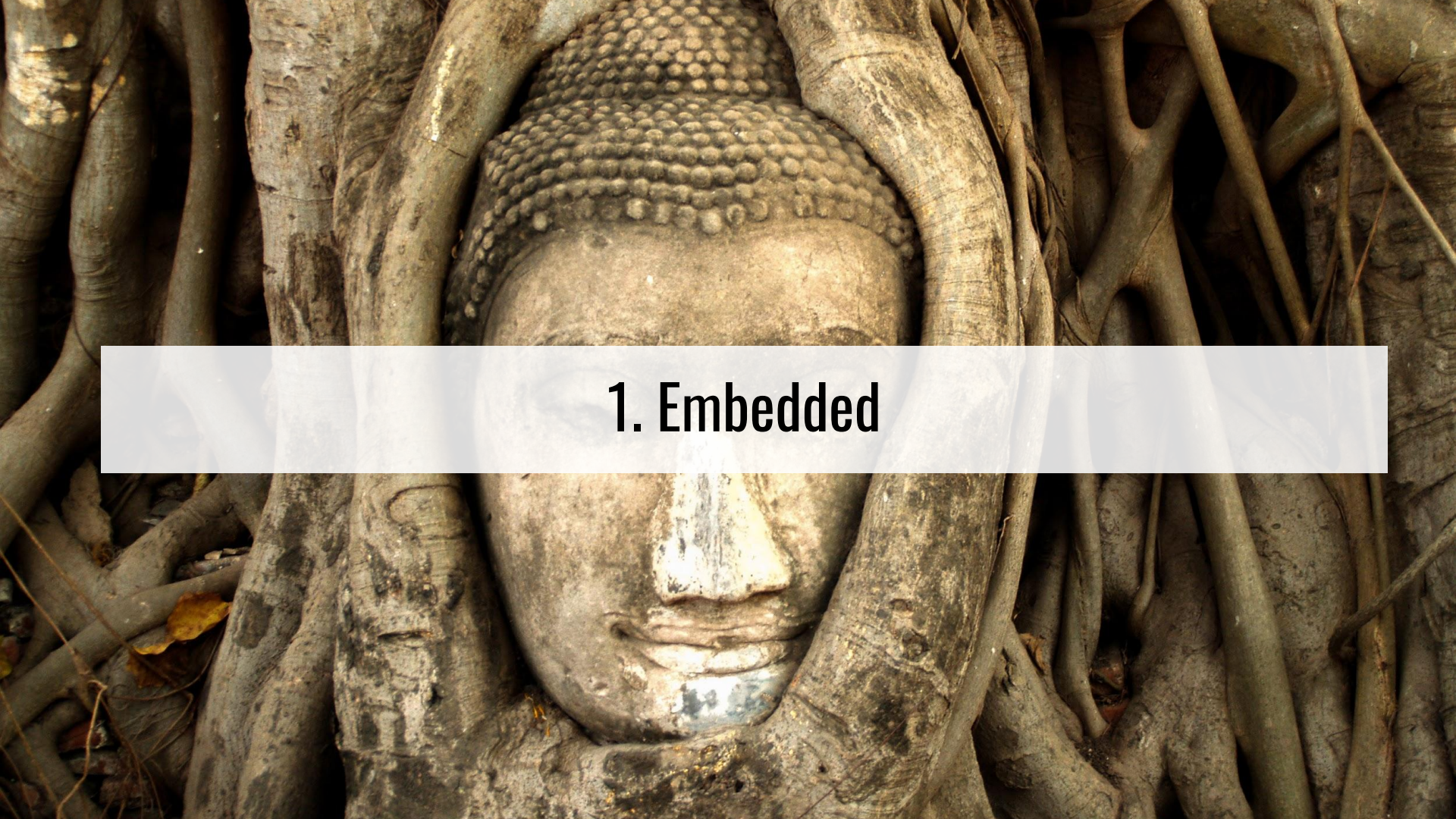
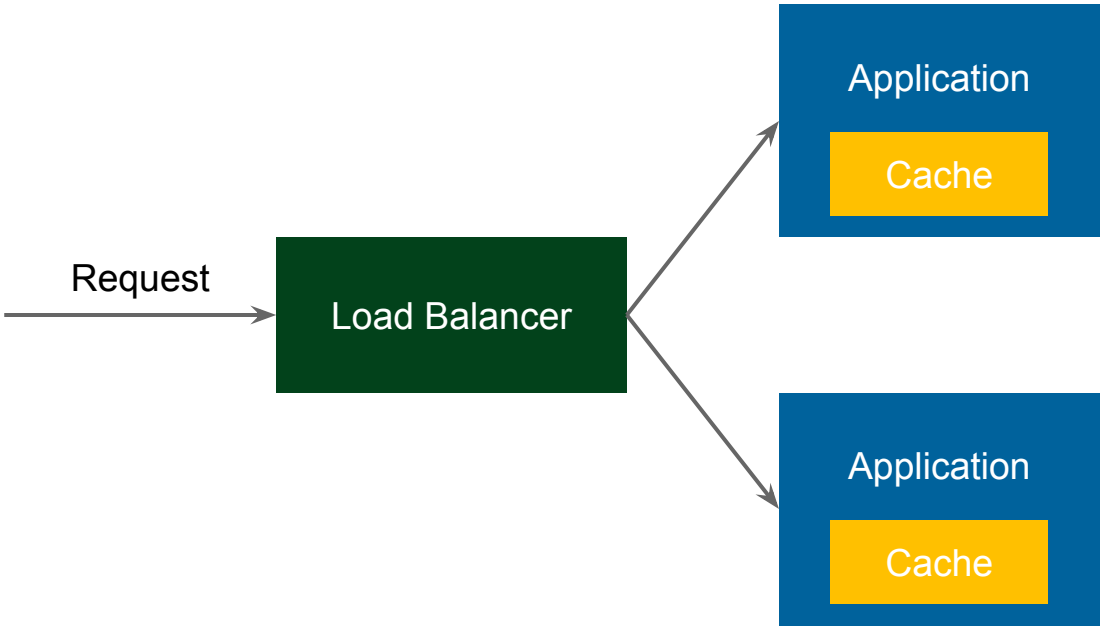


1. Embedded

Embedded Cache



Embedded Cache (Pure Java implementation)

```
private ConcurrentHashMap<String, String> cache =
                                        new ConcurrentHashMap<>();

private String processRequest(String request) {
    if (cache.contains(request)) {
        return cache.get(request);
    }
    String response = process(request);
    cache.put(request, response);
    return response;
}
```

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Java Collection is not a Cache!

- No Eviction Policies
- No Max Size Limit (OutOfMemoryError)
- No Statistics
- No built-in Cache Loaders
- No Expiration Time
- No Notification Mechanism

Embedded Cache (Java libraries)


```
CacheBuilder.newBuilder()
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Caching Application Layer


```
@Service
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    public String getBookNameByIsbn(String isbn) {
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}
```

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Be Careful, Spring uses ConcurrentHashMap by default!

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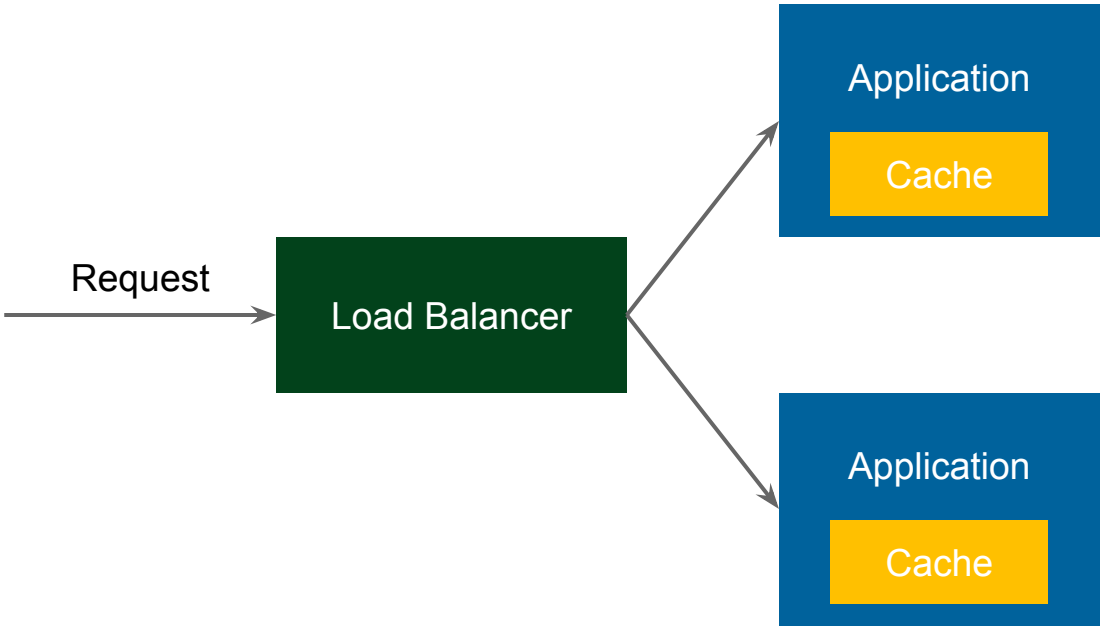

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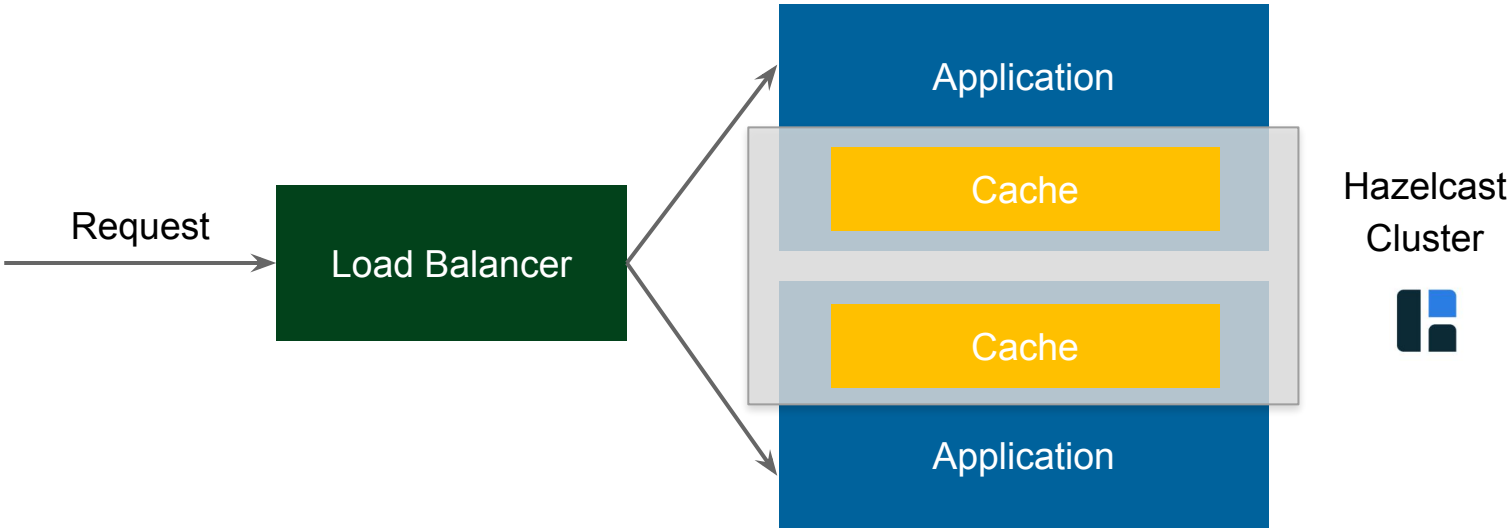

Embedded Distributed Cache (Spring with Hazelcast)

```
@Configuration
public class HazelcastConfiguration {

    @Bean
    CacheManager cacheManager() {
        return new HazelcastCacheManager(
                        Hazelcast.newHazelcastInstance());
    }

}
```

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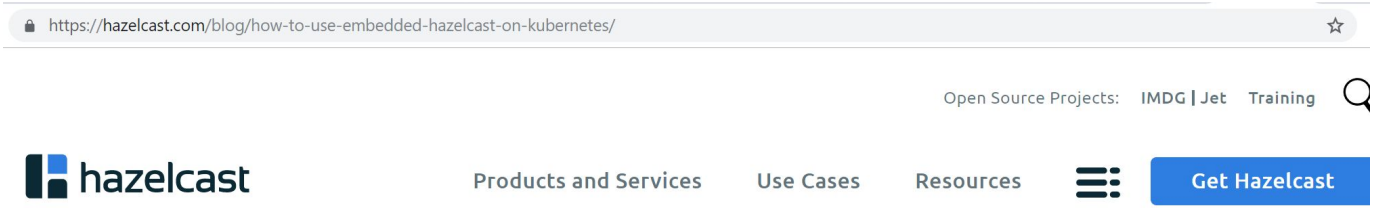

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Hazelcast IMDG is a perfect fit for your (micro)services running on Kubernetes since it can be used in the embedded mode and therefore scale in and out together with your service replicas. This blog post presents a step-by-step description of how to embed Hazelcast into a Spring Boot application and deploy it in the Kubernetes cluster. The source code for this example can be found here.

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Hazelcast IMDG supports auto-discovery for many different environments. Since we introduced the generic discovery SPI, a lot of plugins were developed so you can use Hazelcast seamlessly on Kubernetes, AWS, Azure, GCP, and more. Should you need a custom plugin, you are also able to create your own.

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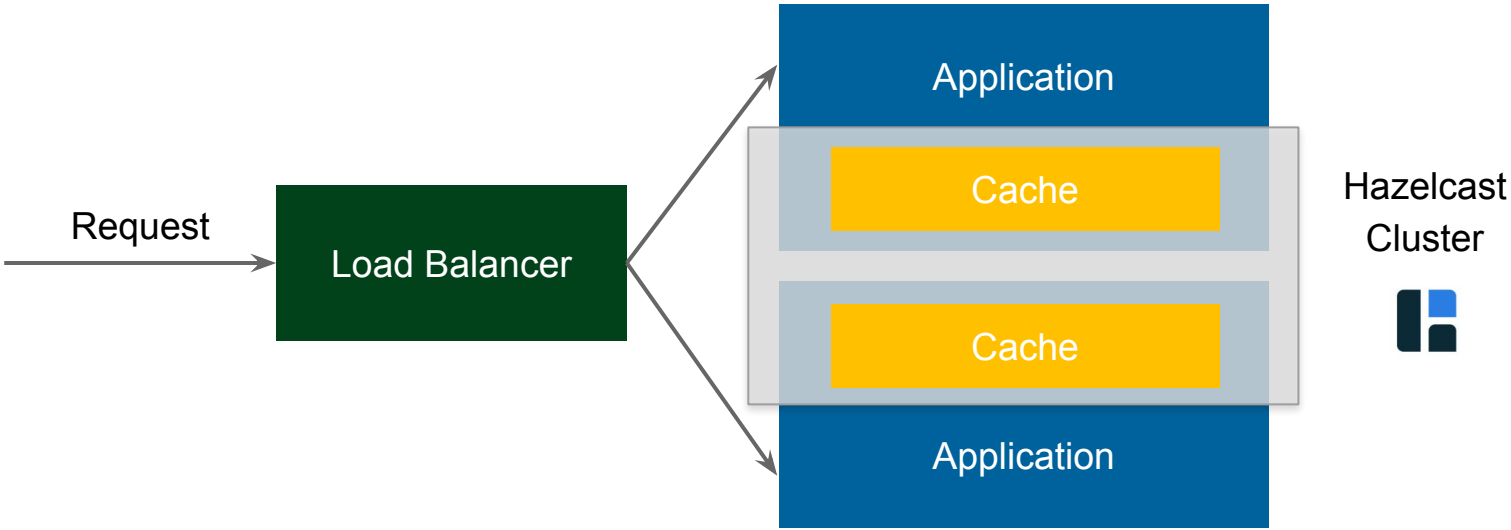
Embedded Distributed Cache



Embedded Cache

Pros

- Simple configuration / deployment
- Low-latency data access
- No separate Ops Team needed

Cons

- Not flexible management (scaling, backup)
- Limited to JVM-based applications
- Data collocated with applications

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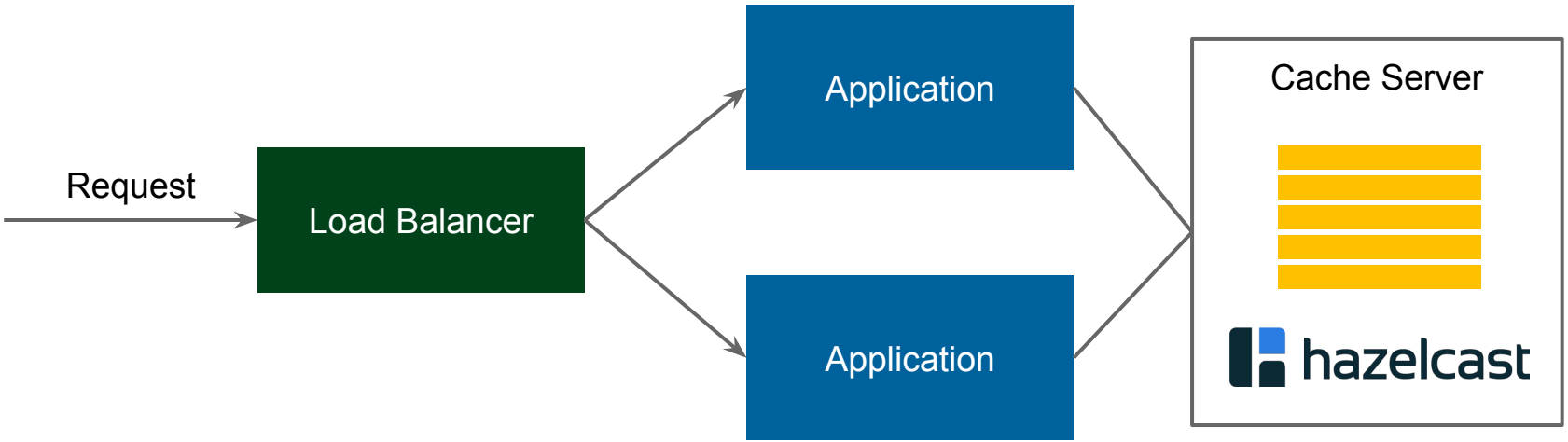

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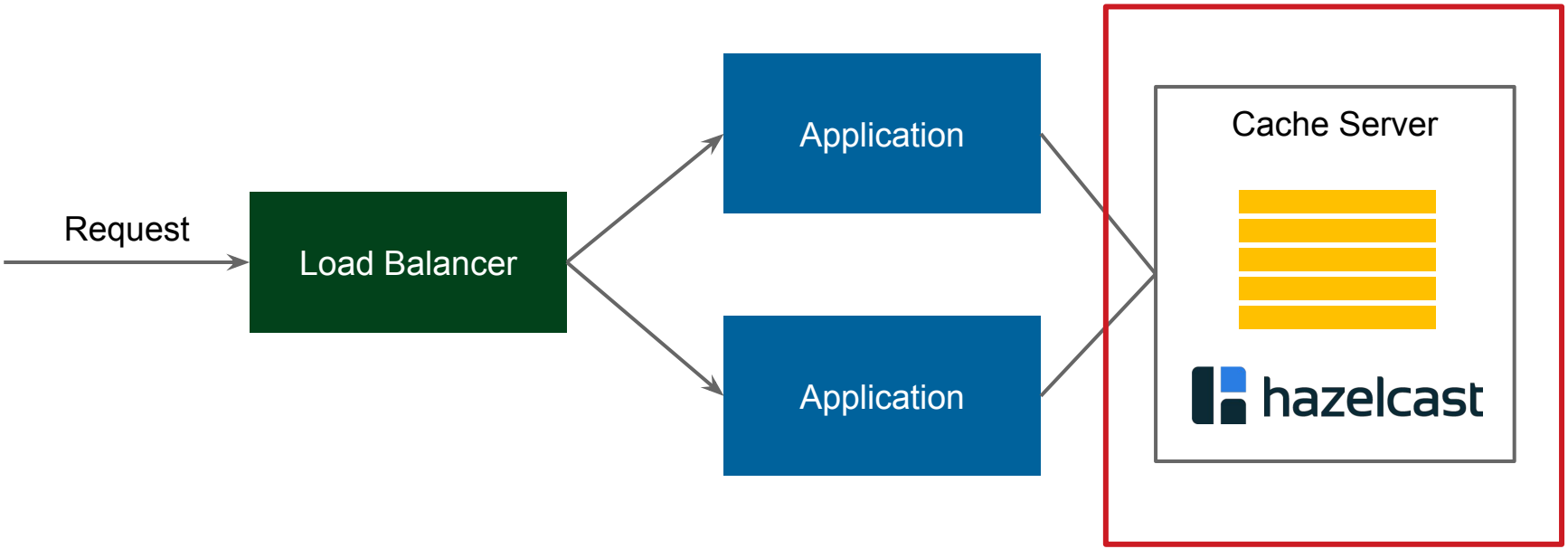

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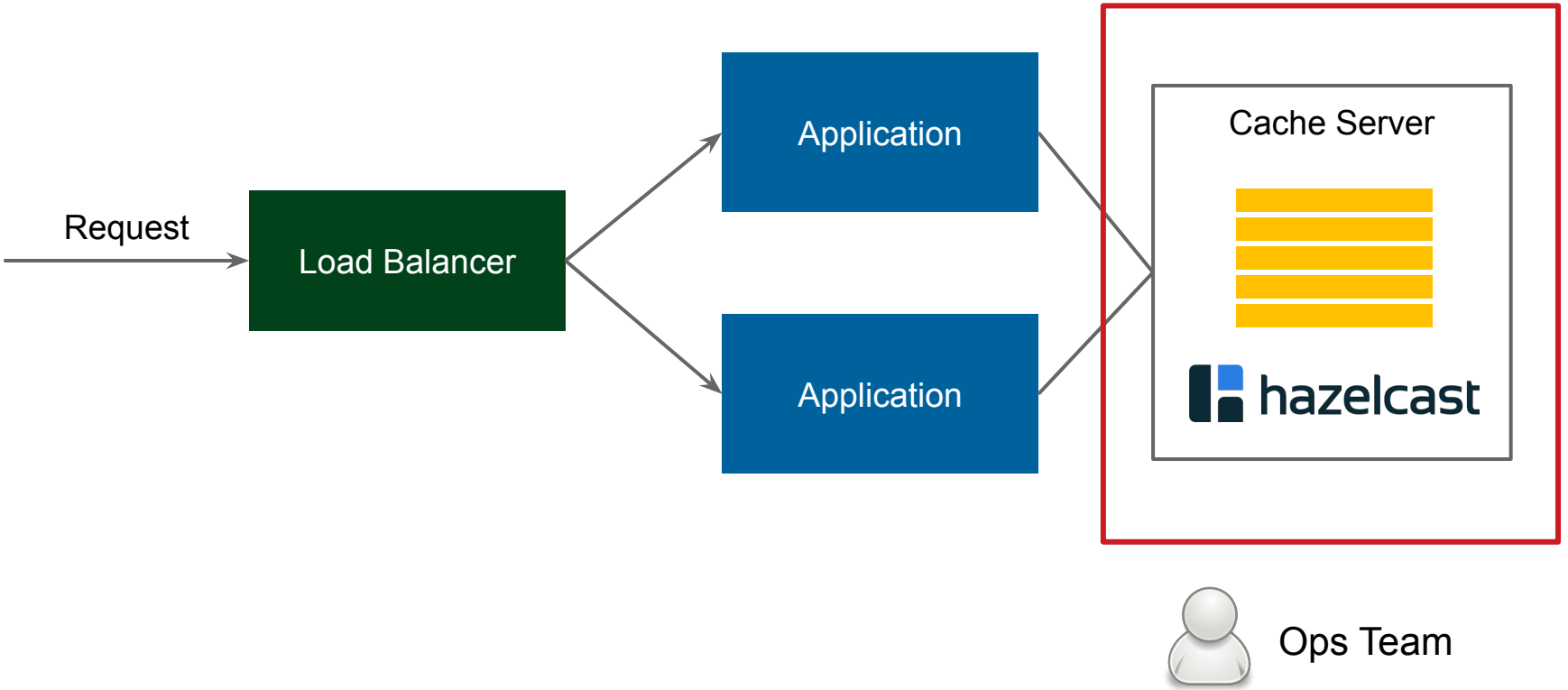
Separate Management:

- backups
- (auto) scaling
- security



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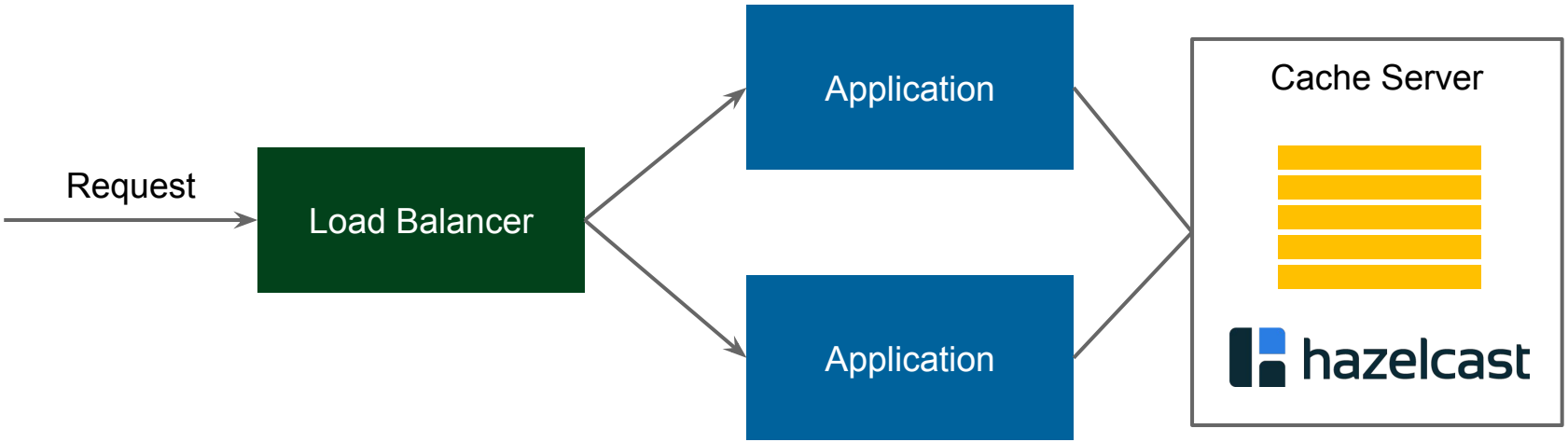

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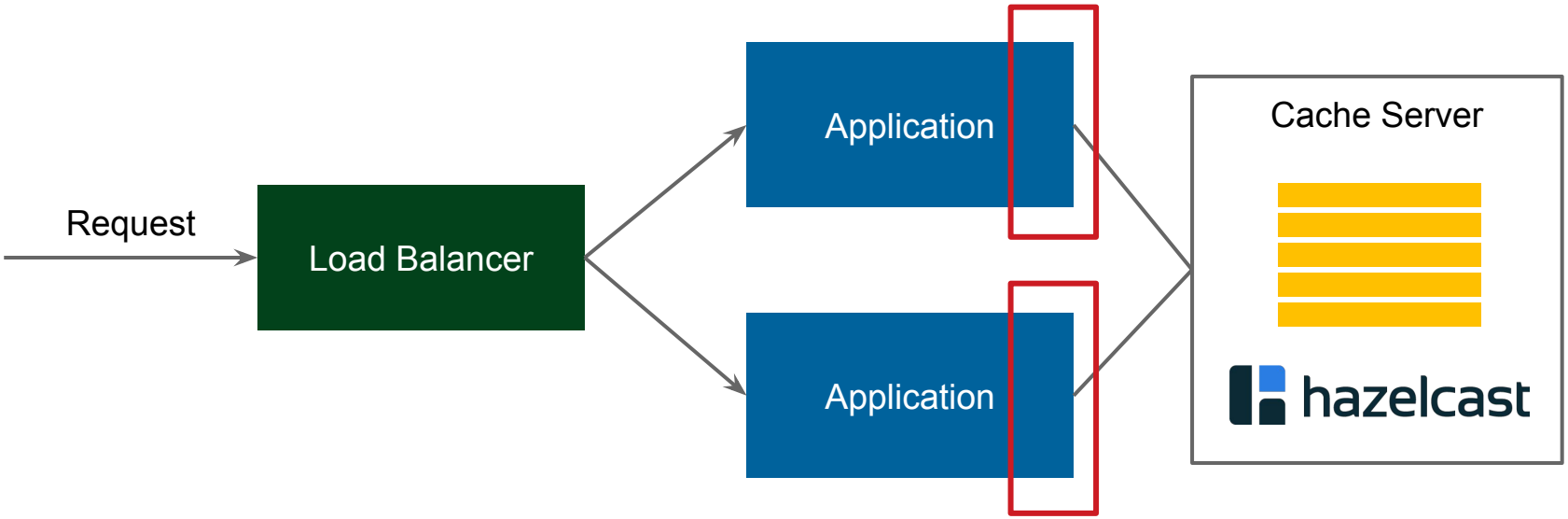

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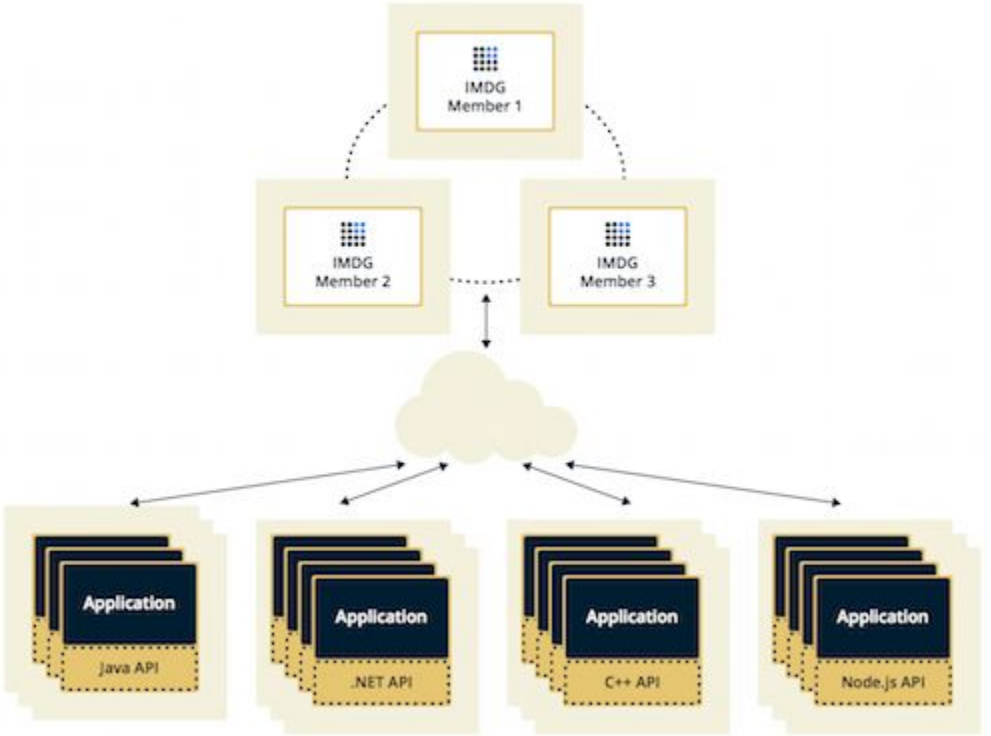

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Starting Hazelcast Cache Server (standalone)

```
$ ./start.sh
```

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$ helm install hazelcast/hazelcast
```

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Hazelcast Client (Kubernetes):

```
@Configuration
public class HazelcastClientConfiguration {
    @Bean
    CacheManager cacheManager() {
        ClientConfig clientConfig = new ClientConfig();
        clientConfig.getNetworkConfig().getKubernetesConfig()
                                        .setEnabled(true);
        return new HazelcastCacheManager(HazelcastClient
                                .newHazelcastClient(clientConfig));
    }
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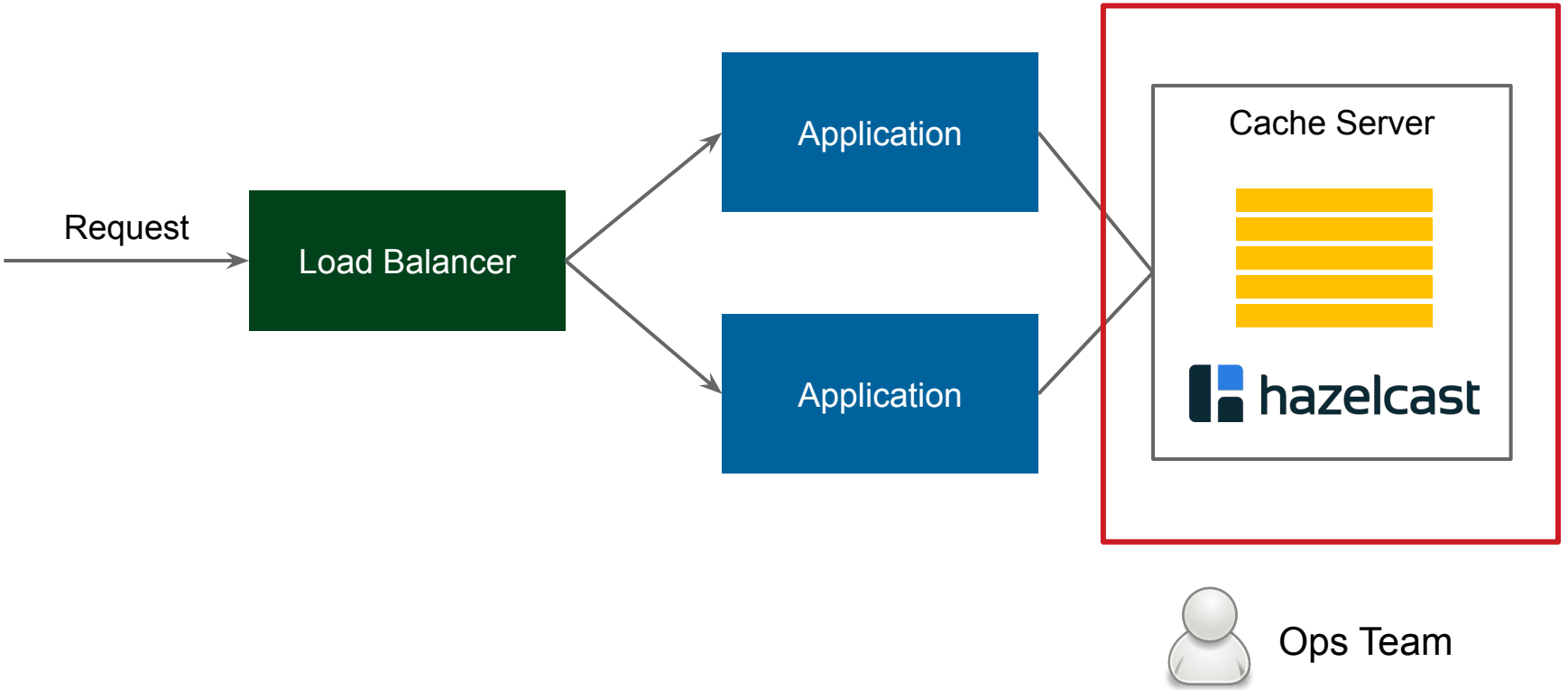

2*. Cloud

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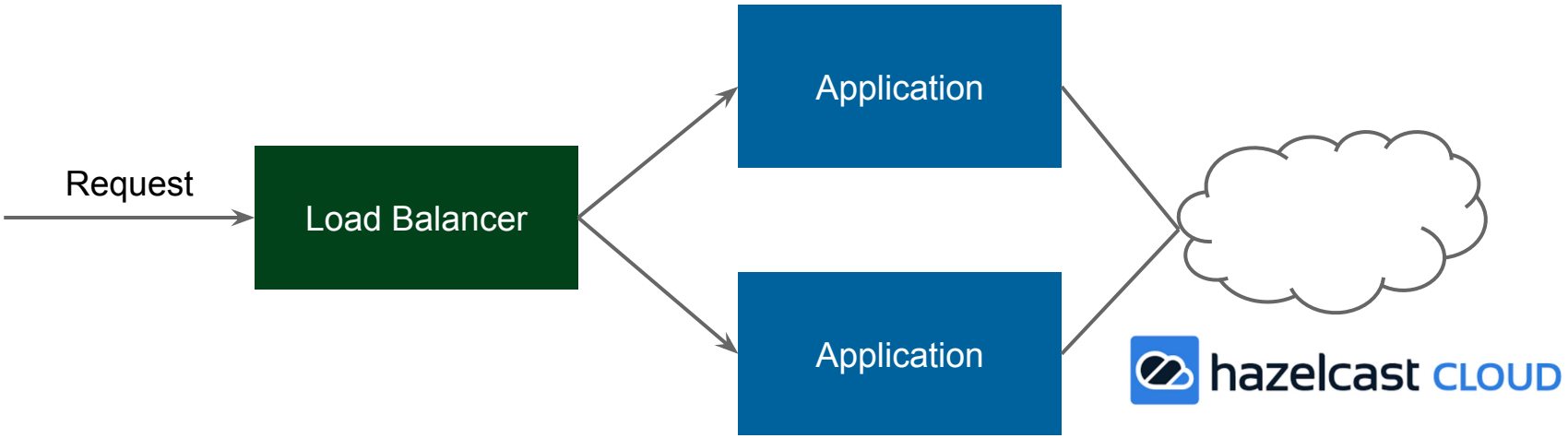

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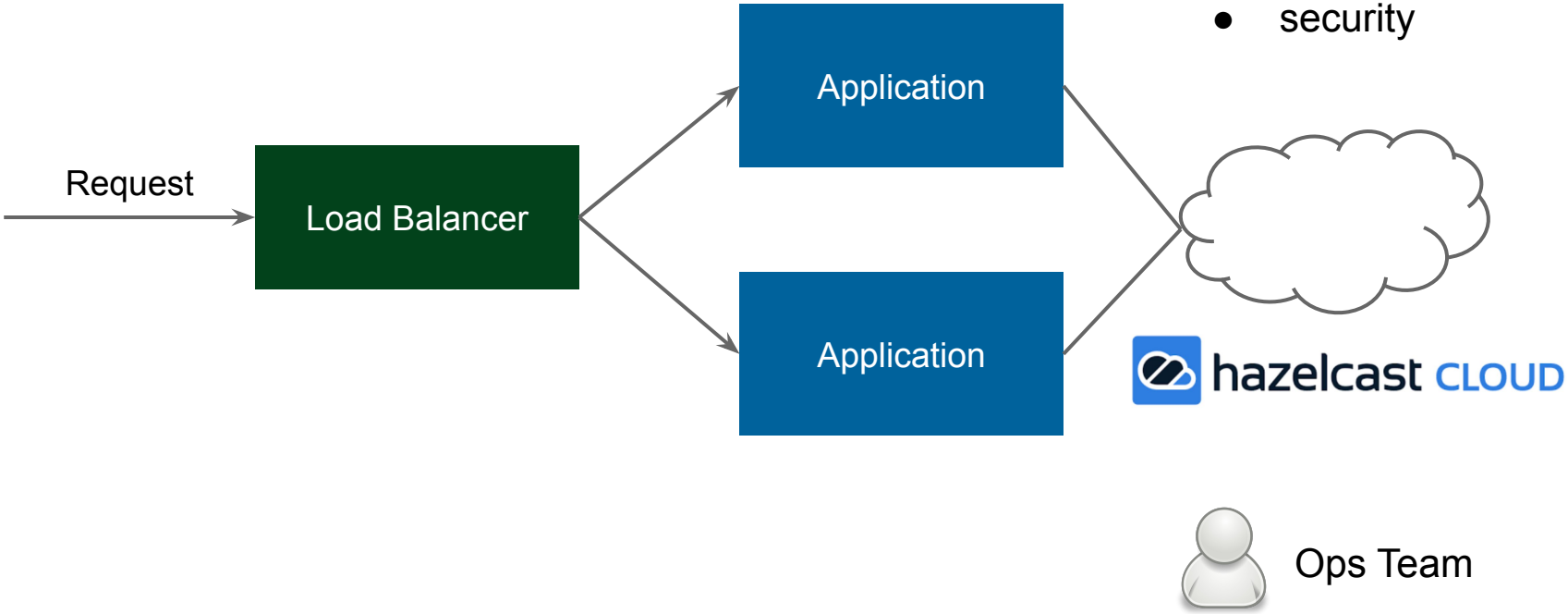

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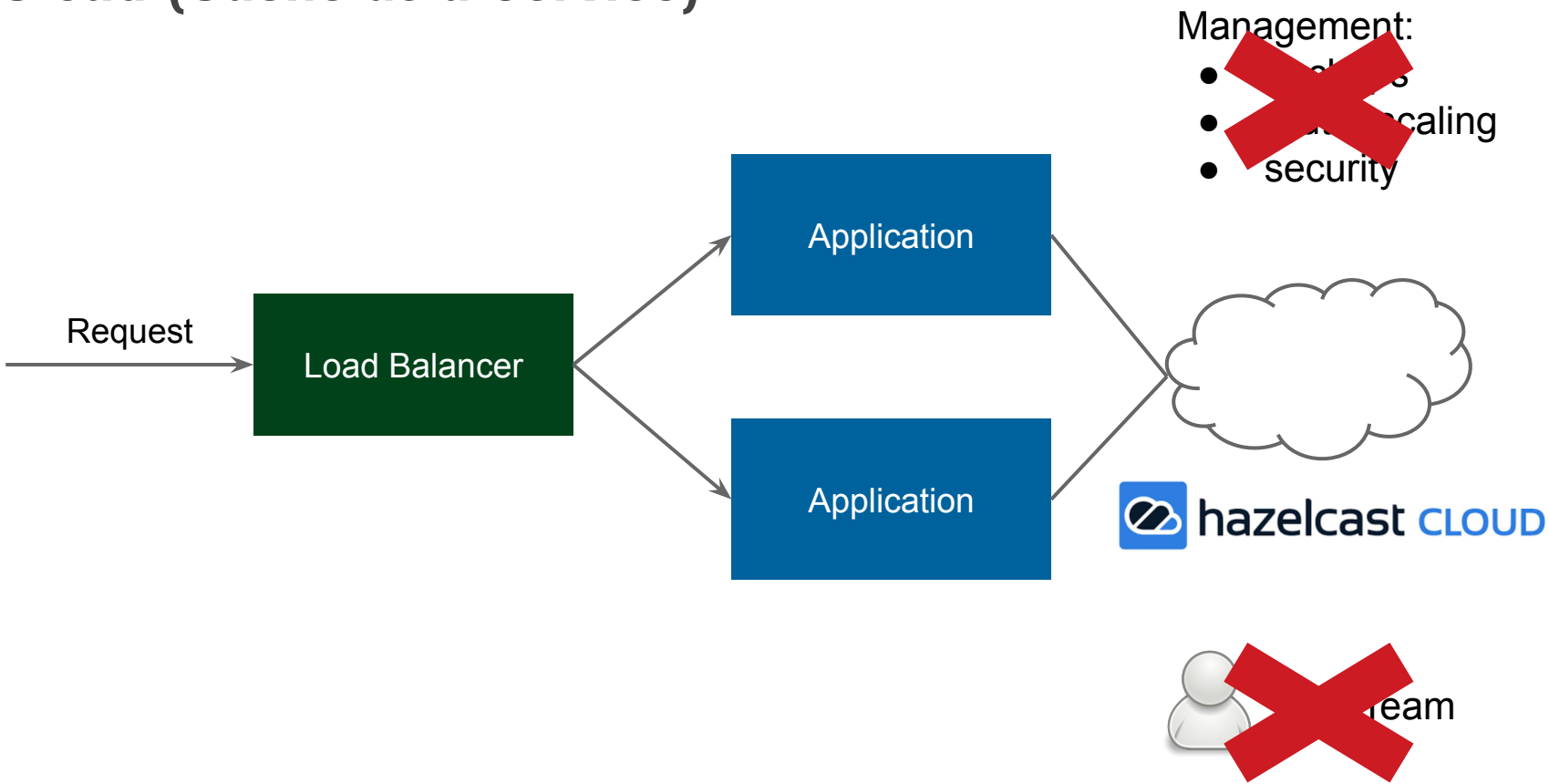

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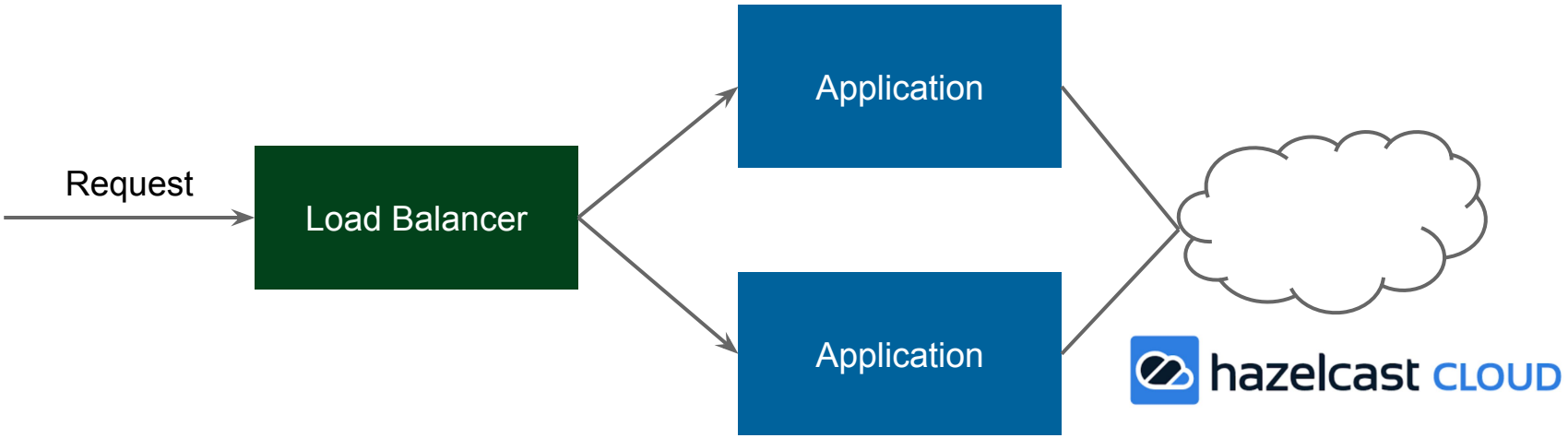

Cloud (Cache as a Service)

```
@Configuration
public class HazelcastCloudConfiguration {
    @Bean
    CacheManager cacheManager() {
        ClientConfig clientConfig = new ClientConfig();
        clientConfig.getNetworkConfig().getCloudConfig()
            .setEnabled(true)
            .setDiscoveryToken("KSXFDTi5HXPJGR0wRAjLgKe45tvEEhd");
        clientConfig.setGroupConfig(
            new GroupConfig("test-cluster", "b2f984b5dd3314"));

        return new HazelcastCacheManager(
                HazelcastClient.newHazelcastClient(clientConfig));
    }
}
```

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Client-Server (Cloud) Cache

Pros

- Data separate from applications
- Separate management (scaling, backup)
- Programming-language agnostic

Cons

- Separate Ops effort
- Higher latency
- Server network requires adjustment (same region, same VPC)

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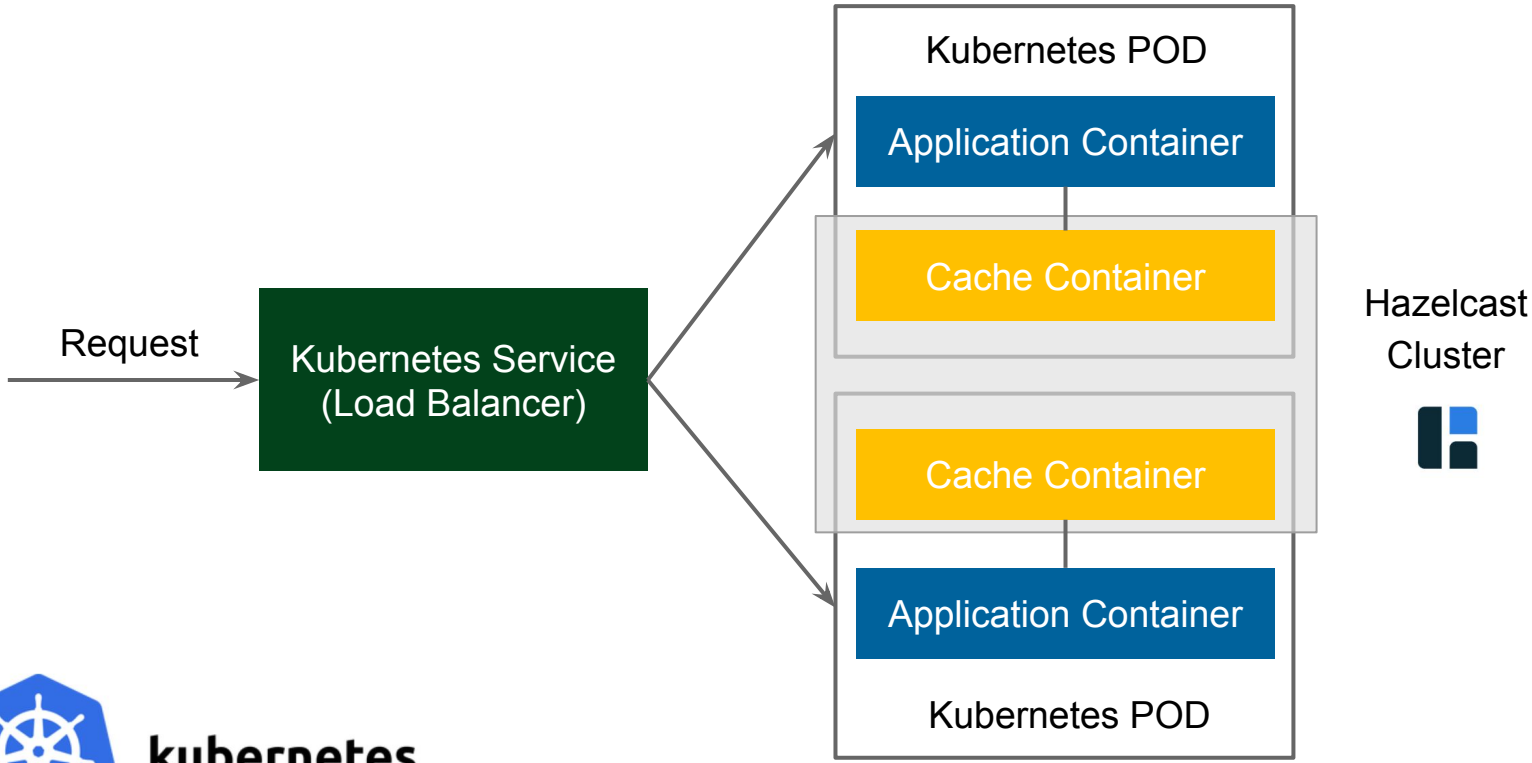
3. Sidecar

Sidecar Cache



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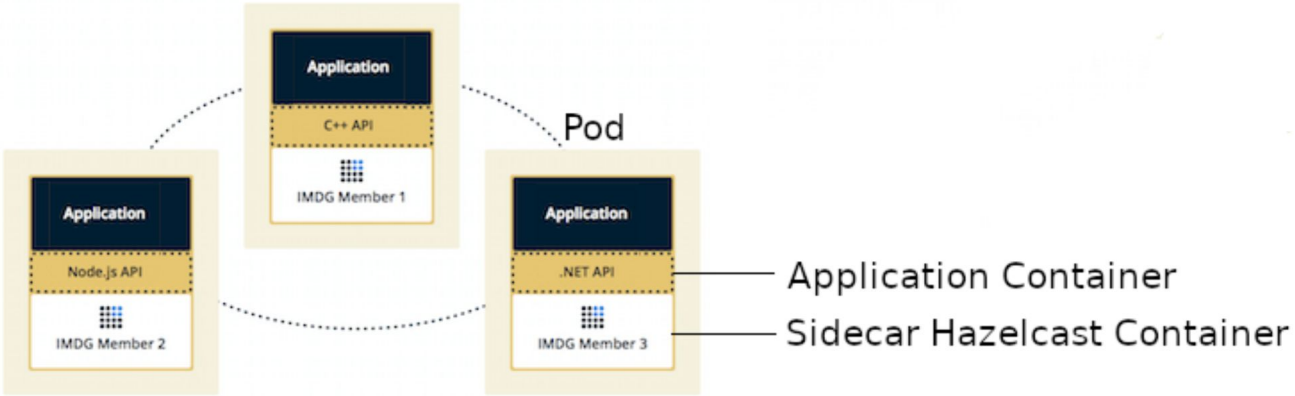

Similar to **Embedded**:

- the same physical machine
- the same resource pool
- scales up and down together
- no discovery needed (always localhost)

Similar to **Client-Server**:

- different programming language
- uses cache client to connect
- clear isolation between app and cache

Sidecar Cache

```
@Configuration
public class HazelcastSidecarConfiguration {
    @Bean
    CacheManager cacheManager() {
        ClientConfig clientConfig = new ClientConfig();
        clientConfig.getNetworkConfig()
                            .addAddress("localhost:5701");
        return new HazelcastCacheManager(HazelcastClient
                            .newHazelcastClient(clientConfig));
    }
}
```

Sidecar Cache

```
apiVersion: apps/v1
kind: Deployment
...
spec:
 template:
   spec:
     containers:
       - name: application
         image: leszko/application
       - name: hazelcast
         image: hazelcast/hazelcast
```

Sidecar Cache

Pros

- Simple configuration
- Programming-language agnostic
- Low latency
- Some isolation of data and applications

Cons

- Limited to container-based environments
- Not flexible management (scaling, backup)
- Data collocated with application PODs

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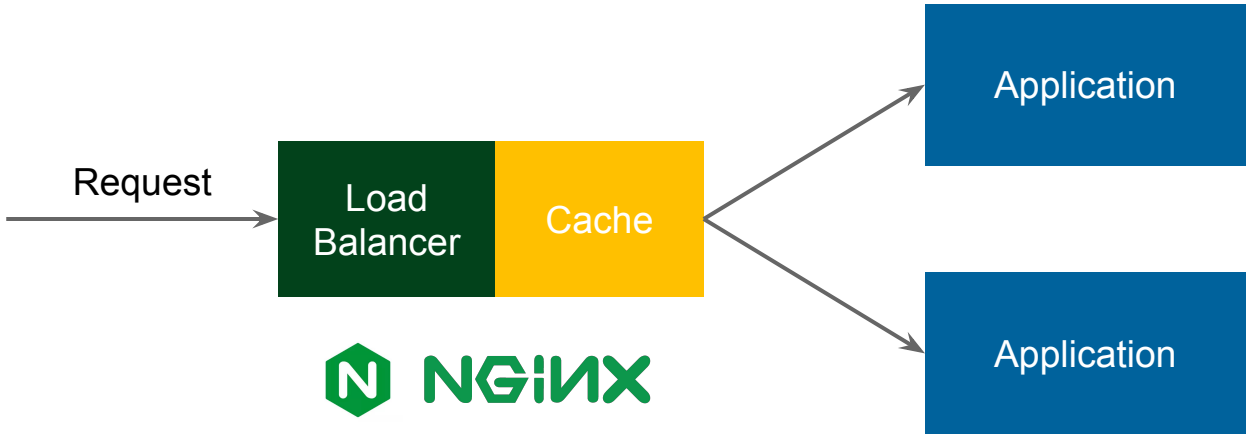

Reverse Proxy Cache


```
http {
    ...
    proxy_cache_path /data/nginx/cache
                                keys_zone=one:10m;
    ...
}
```

NGINX Reverse Proxy Cache Issues

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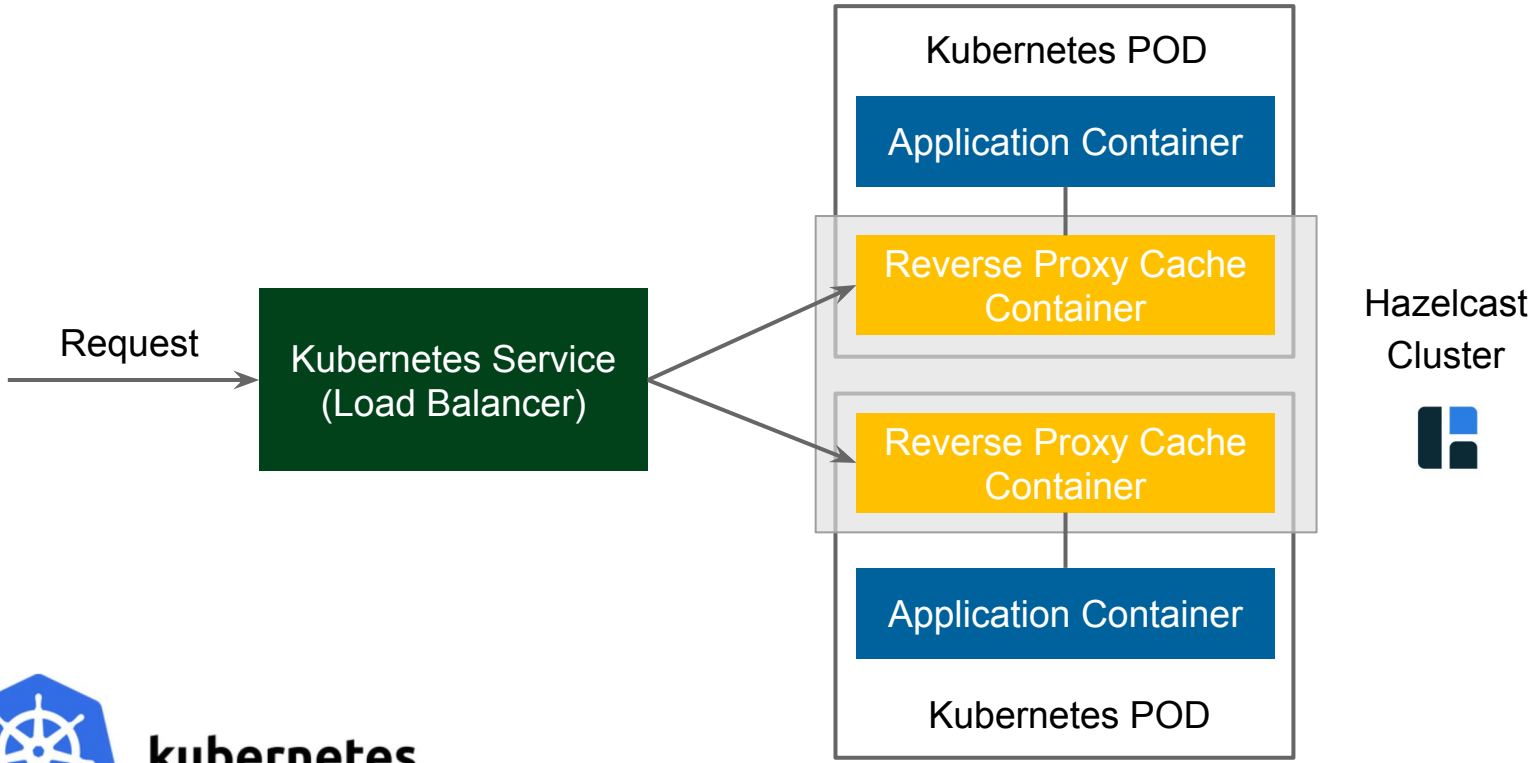

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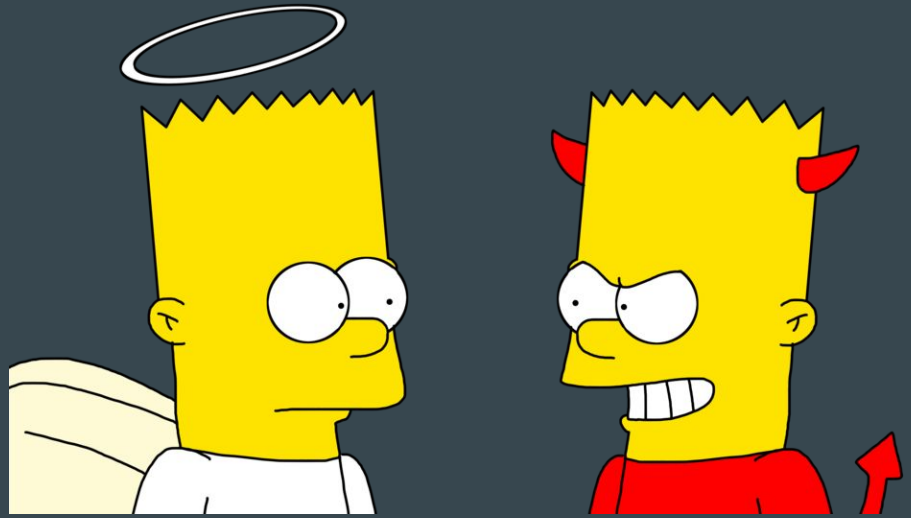

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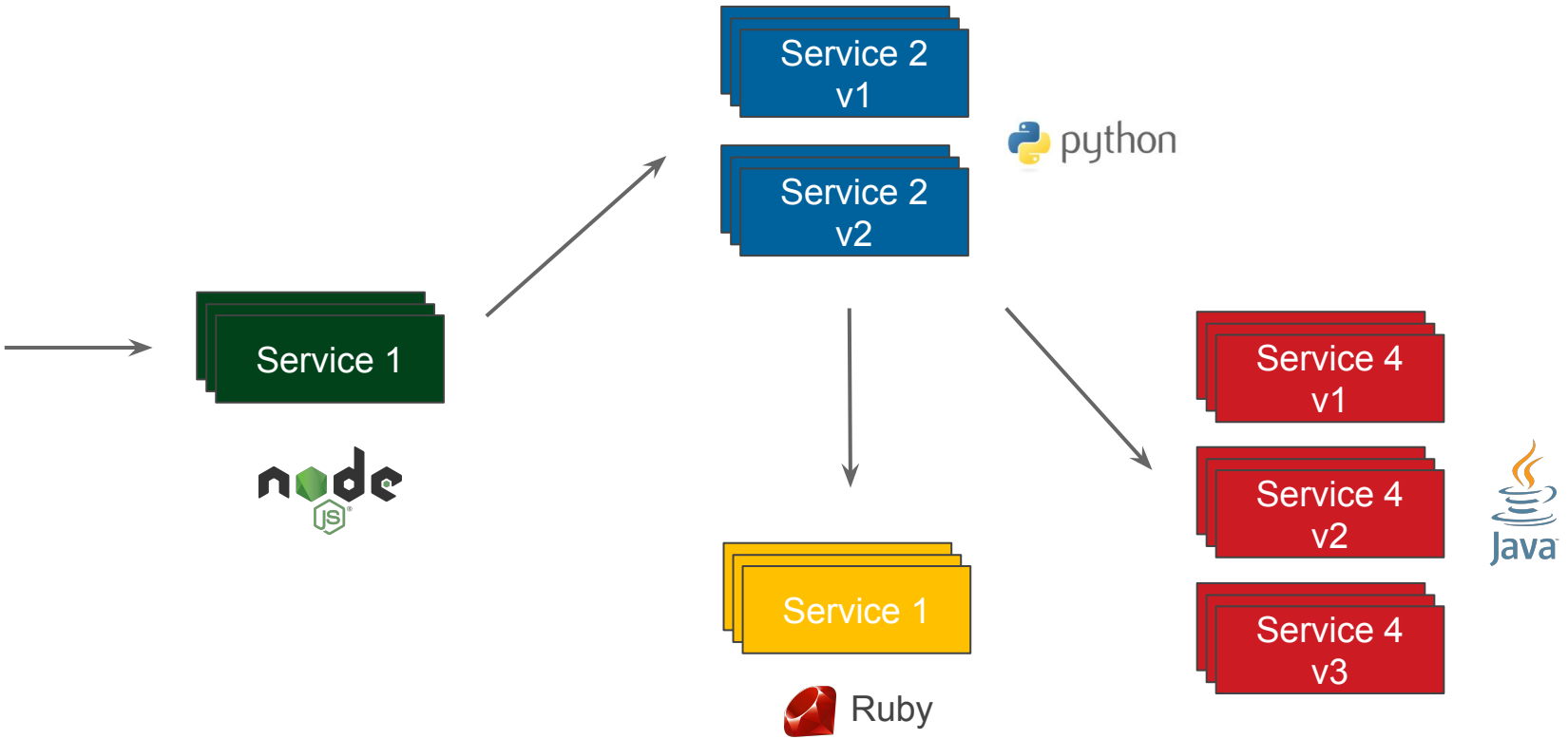

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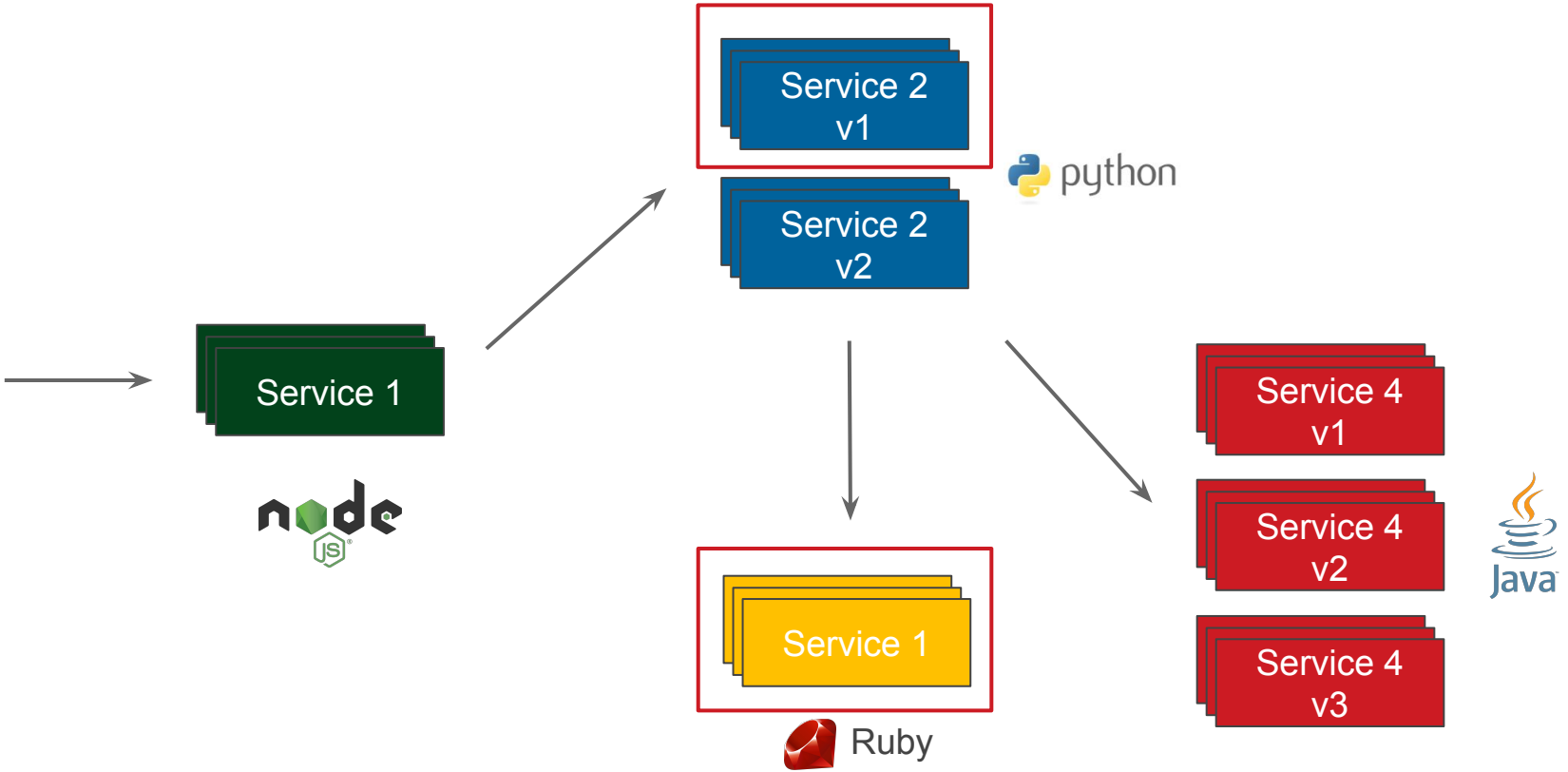

Reverse Proxy Sidecar Cache

```
apiVersion: apps/v1
kind: Deployment
...
spec:
 template:
   spec:
     initContainers:
       - name: init-networking
         image: leszko/init-networking
     containers:
       - name: caching-proxy
         image: leszko/caching-proxy
       - name: application
         image: leszko/application
```

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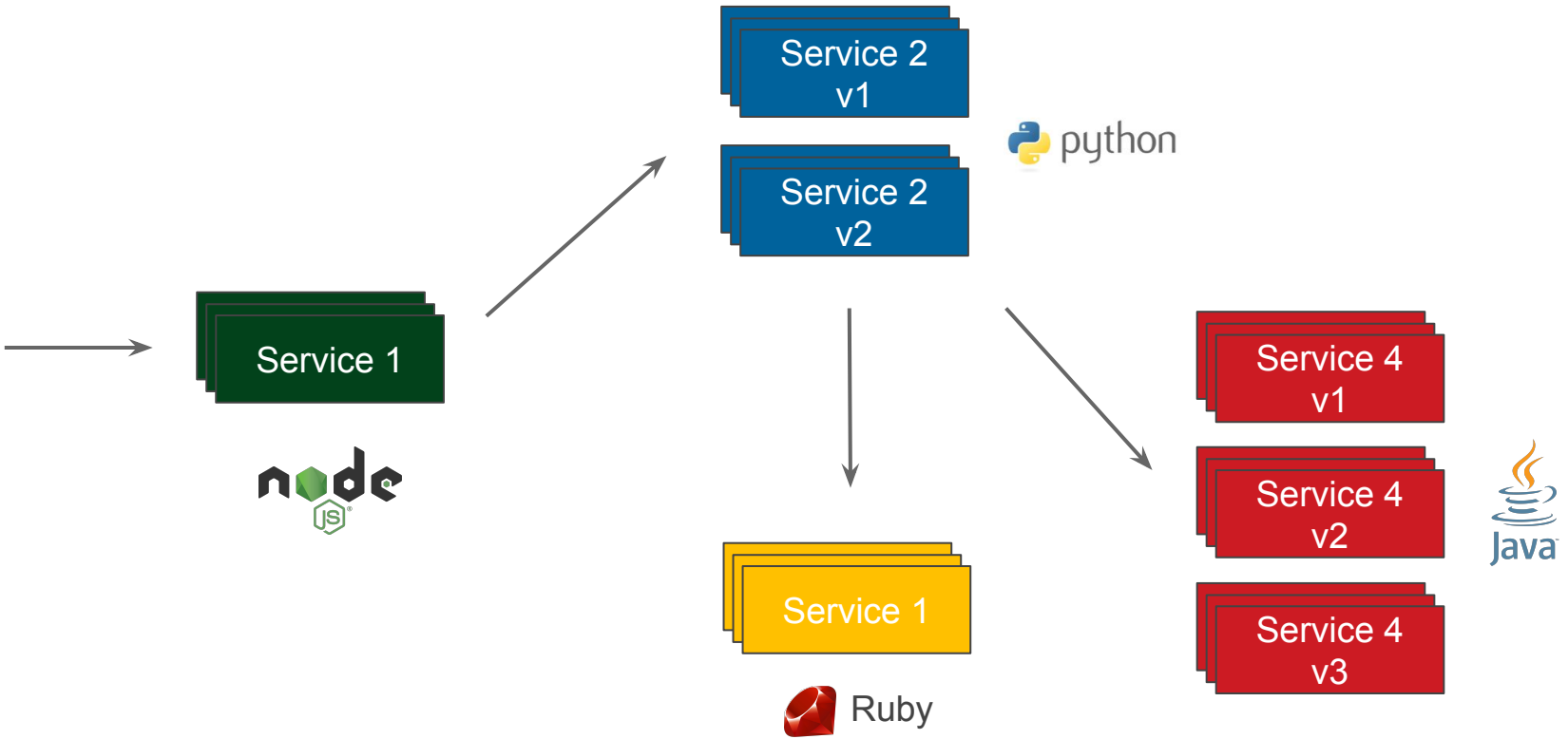

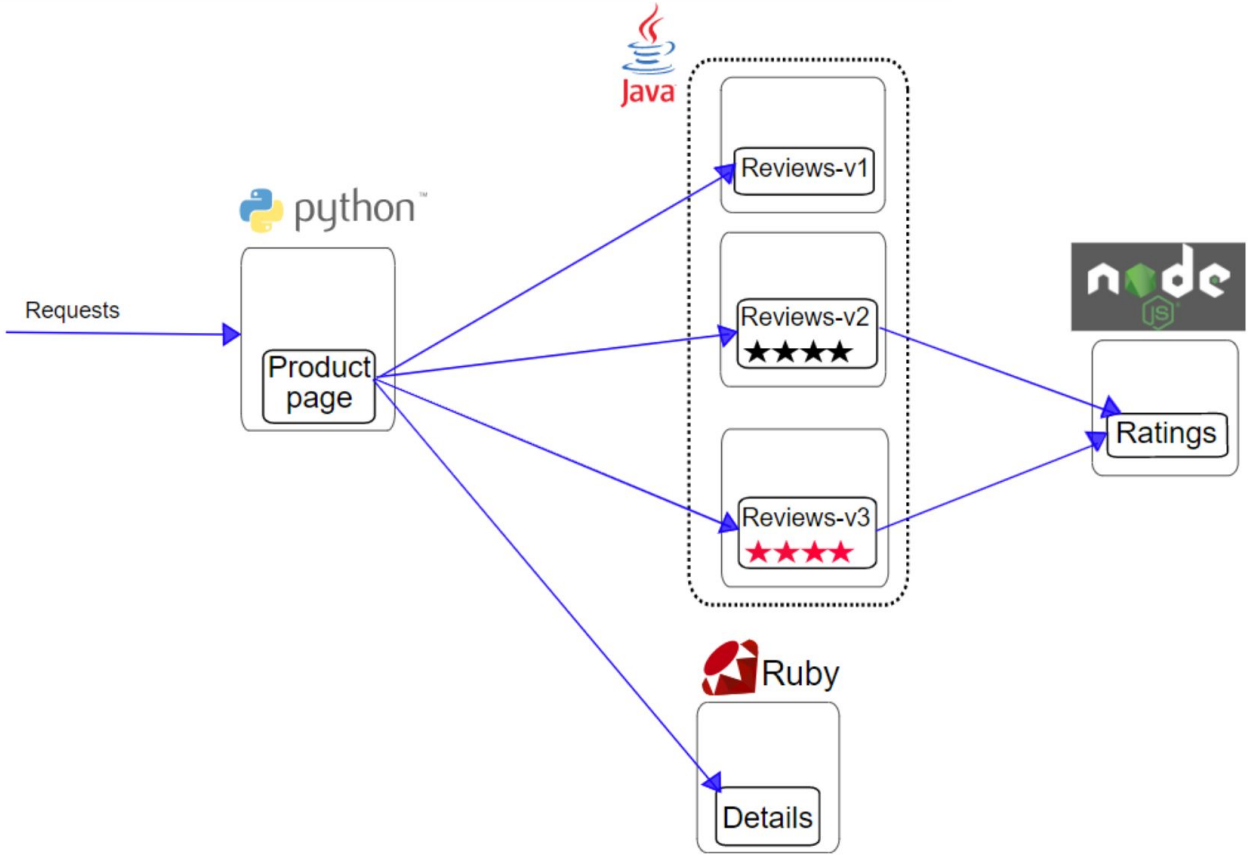
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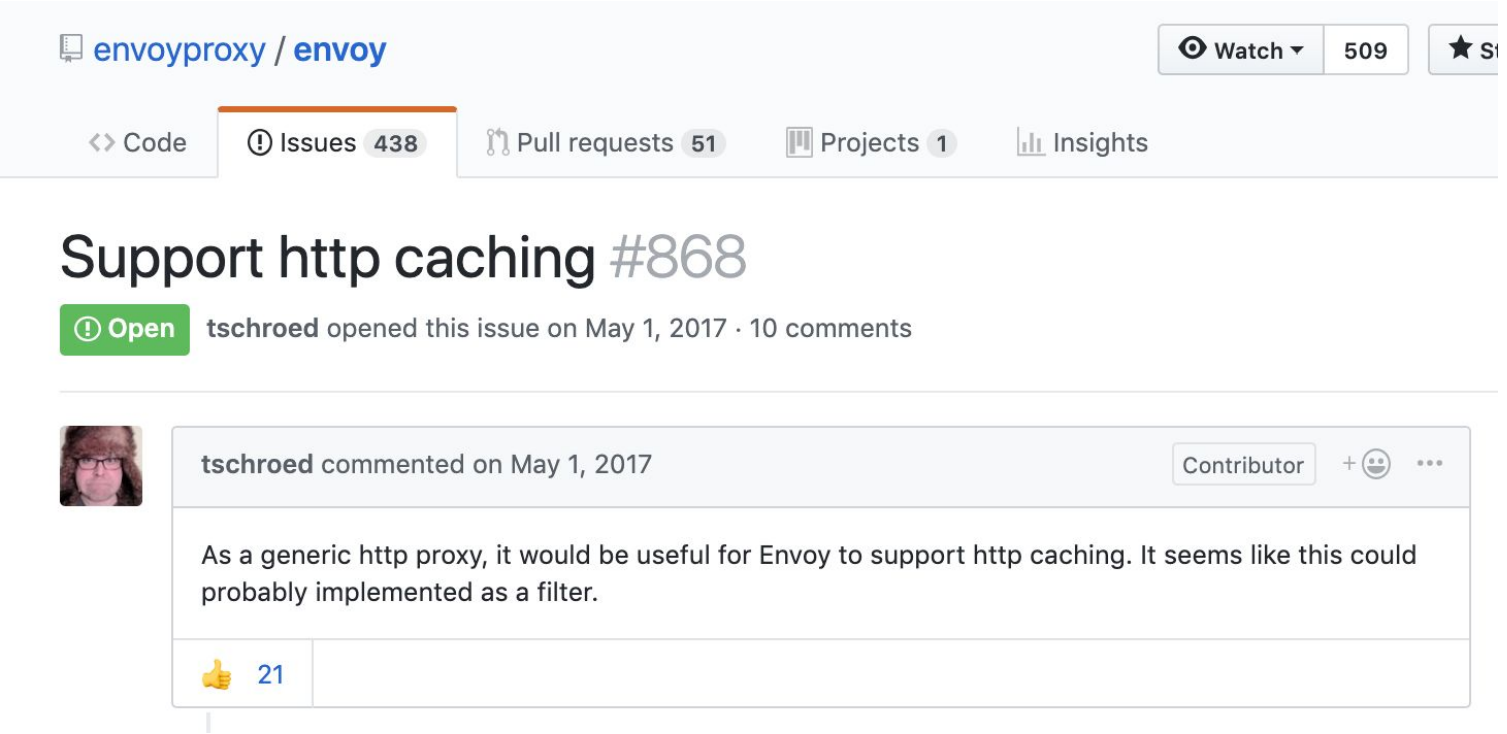
Reverse Proxy Sidecar Cache (Istio)



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What are some best practices for caching in a typical web app?

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4 Answers

Kellan Elliott-McCrea
Answered Sep 4, 2010

The hardest part of caching is cache invalidation. If you're a content driven site, then your job is trivial. If you are building anything resembling social software caching involves a series of complex trade offs.

Reverse Proxy Cache

Application Cache:

```
@CacheEvict(value = "someValue", allEntries = true)
public void evictAllCacheValues() {}
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Proxy Cache:

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http {
    ...
    location / {
        add_header Cache-Control public;
        expires 86400;
        etag on;
    }
}
```

Reverse Proxy (Sidecar) Cache

Pros

- Configuration-based (no need to change applications)
- Programming-language agnostic
- Consistent with containers and microservice world

Cons

- Difficult cache invalidation
- No mature solutions yet
- Protocol-based (e.g. works only with HTTP)

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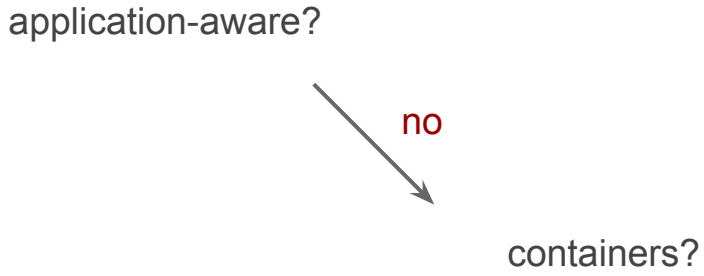
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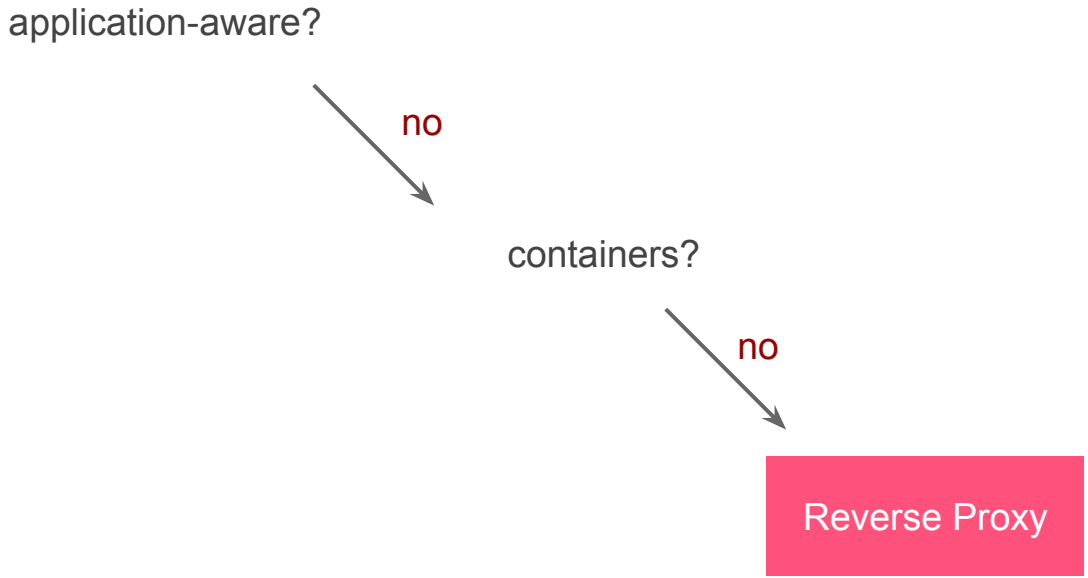
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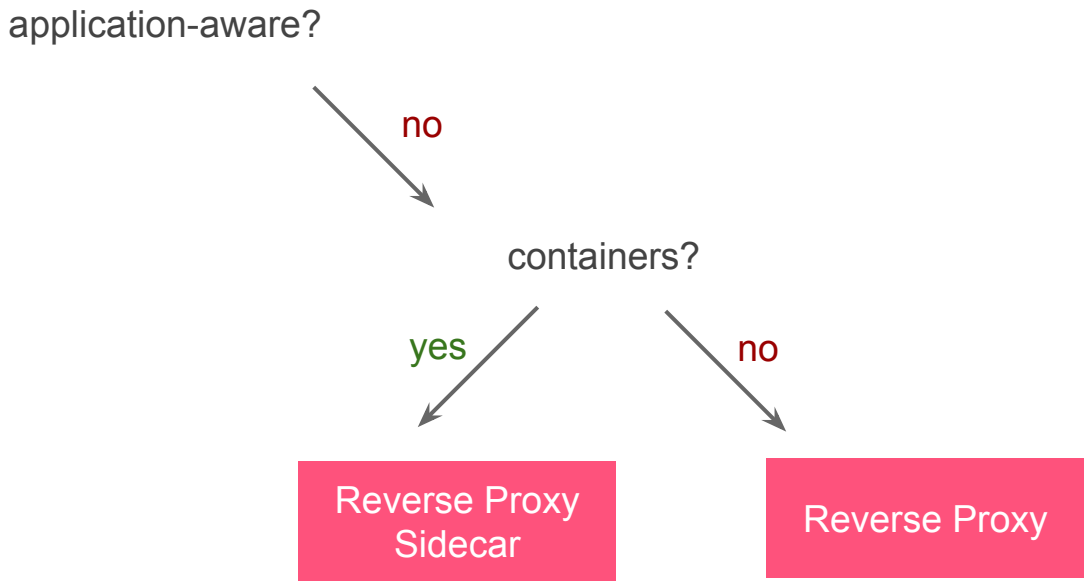
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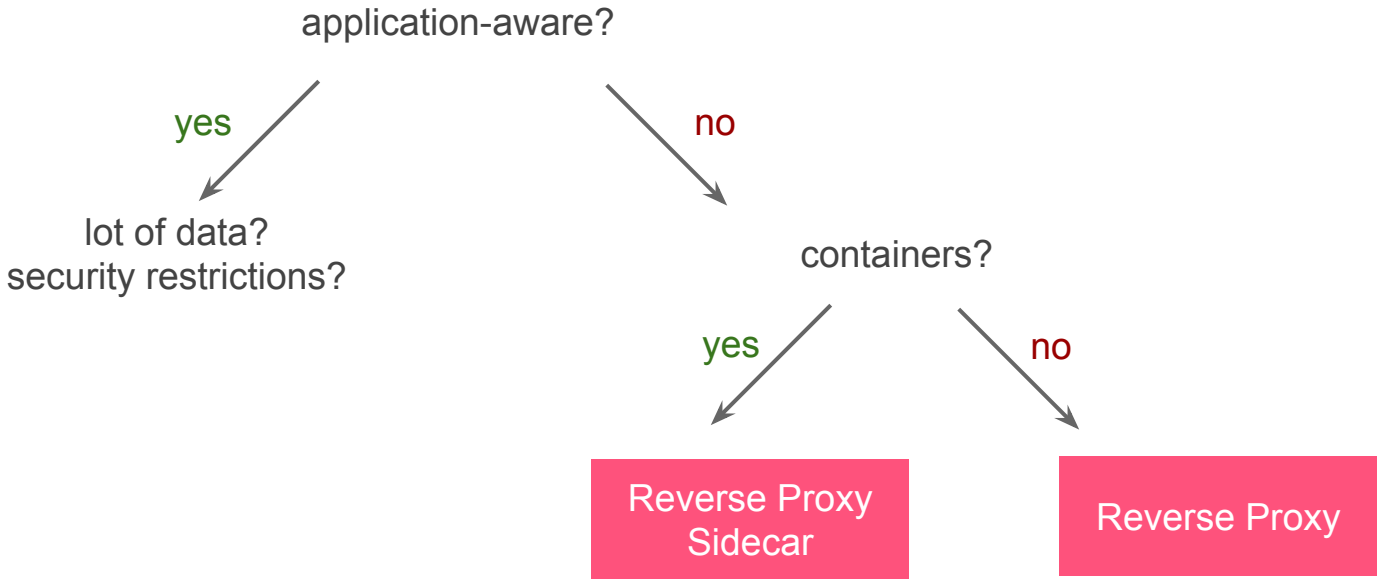
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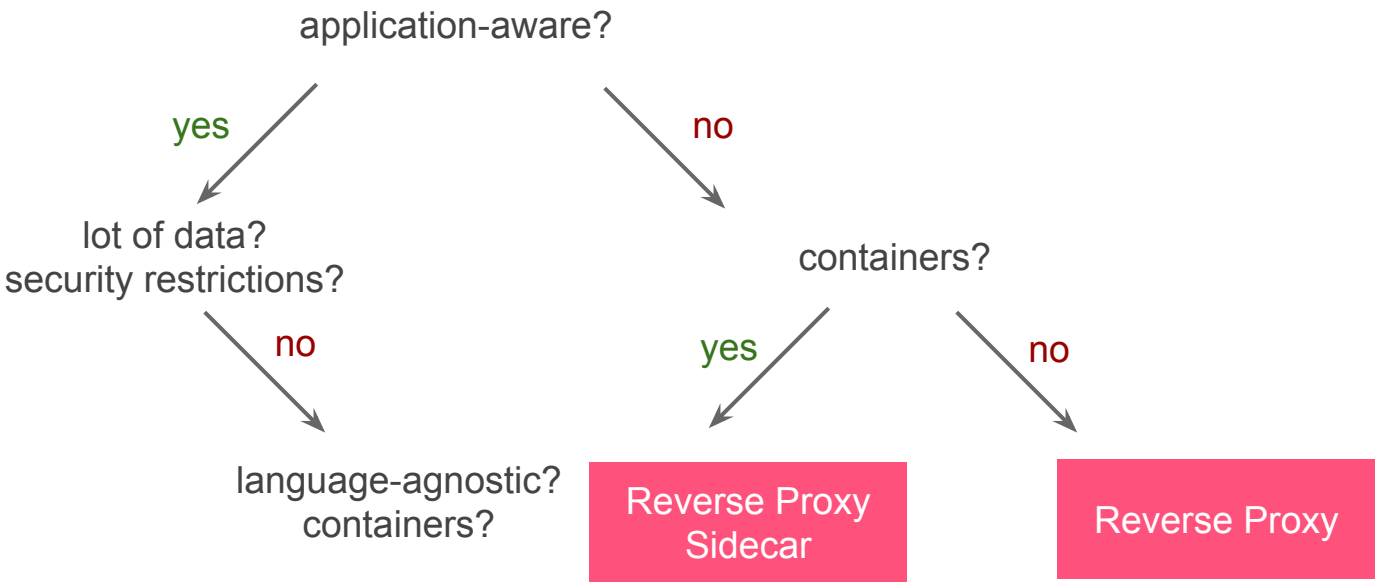
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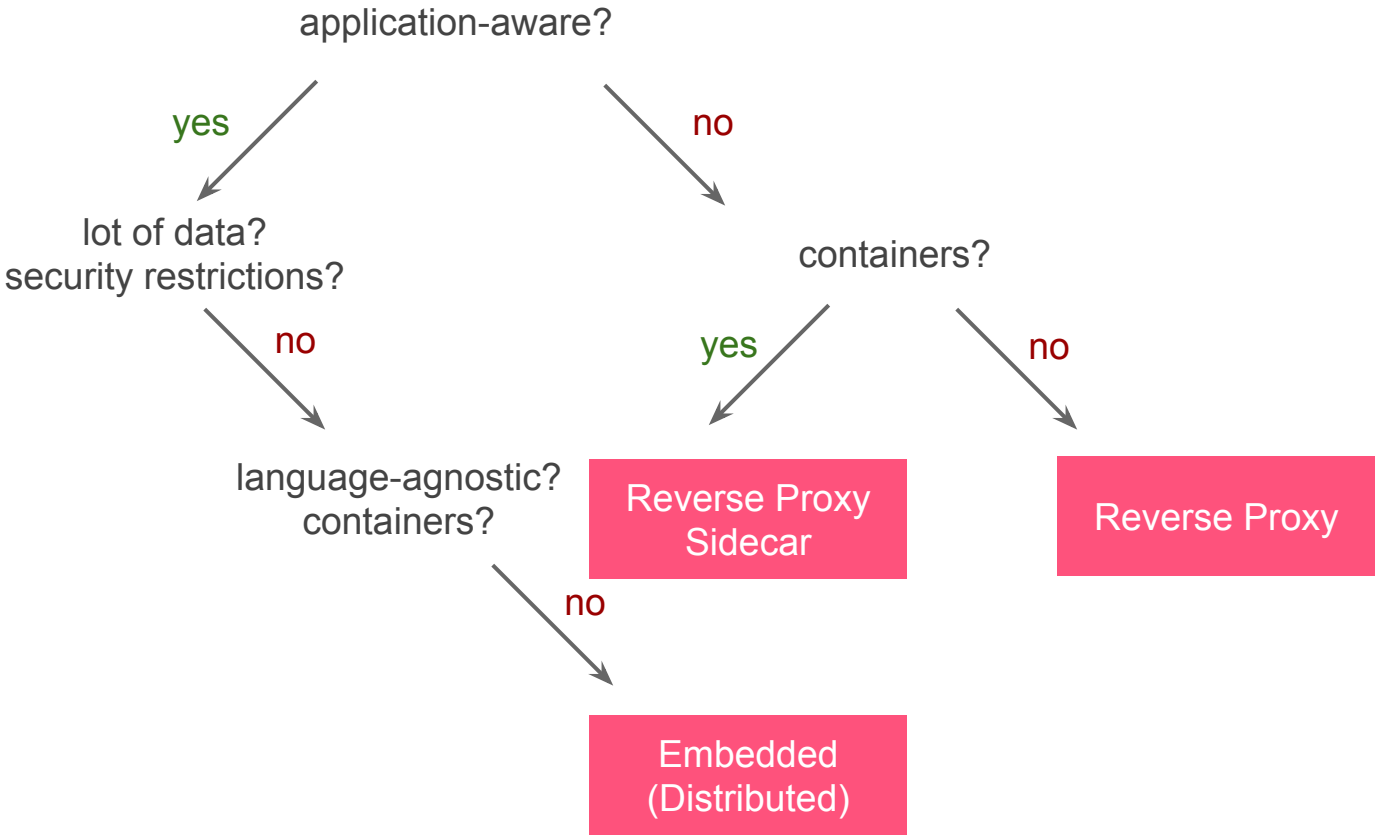
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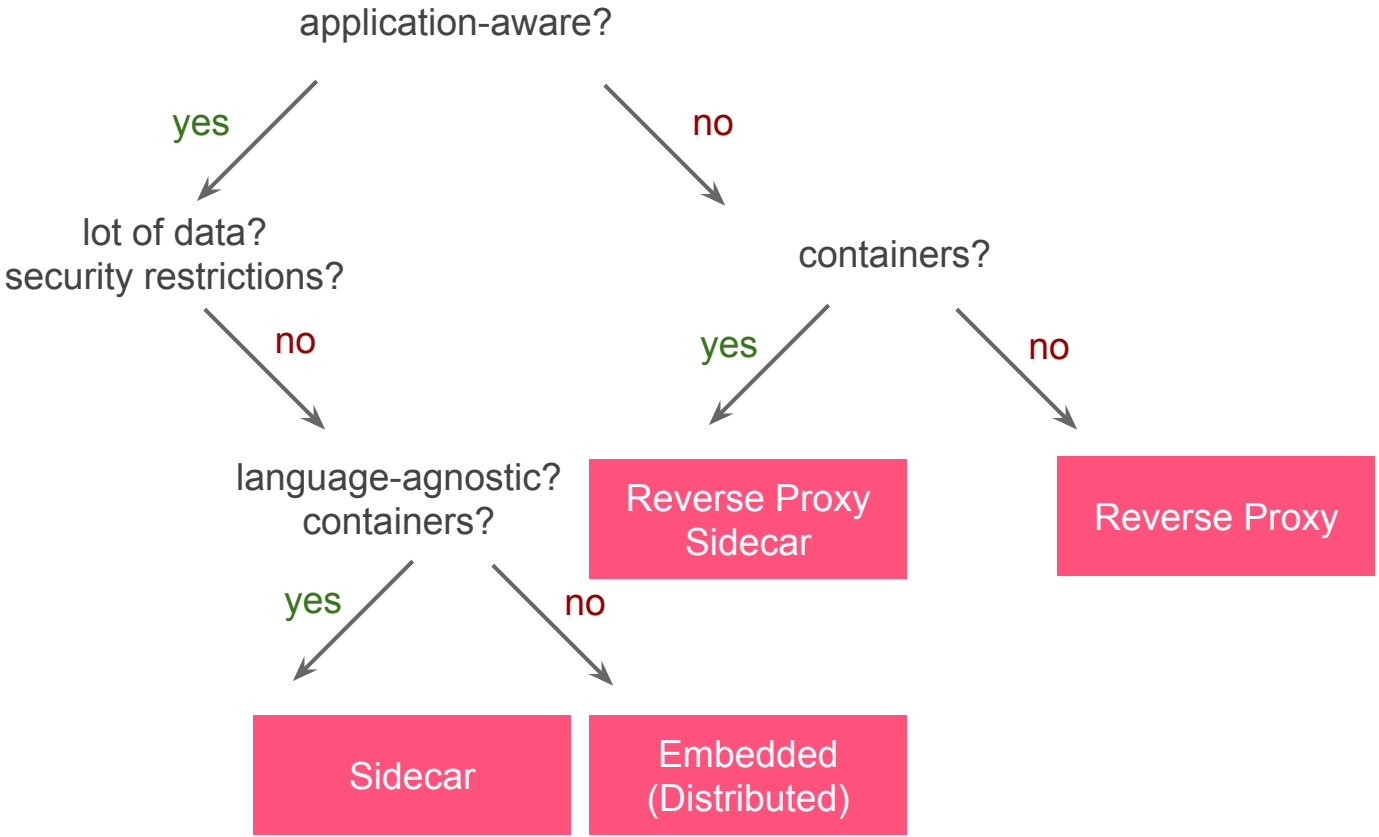
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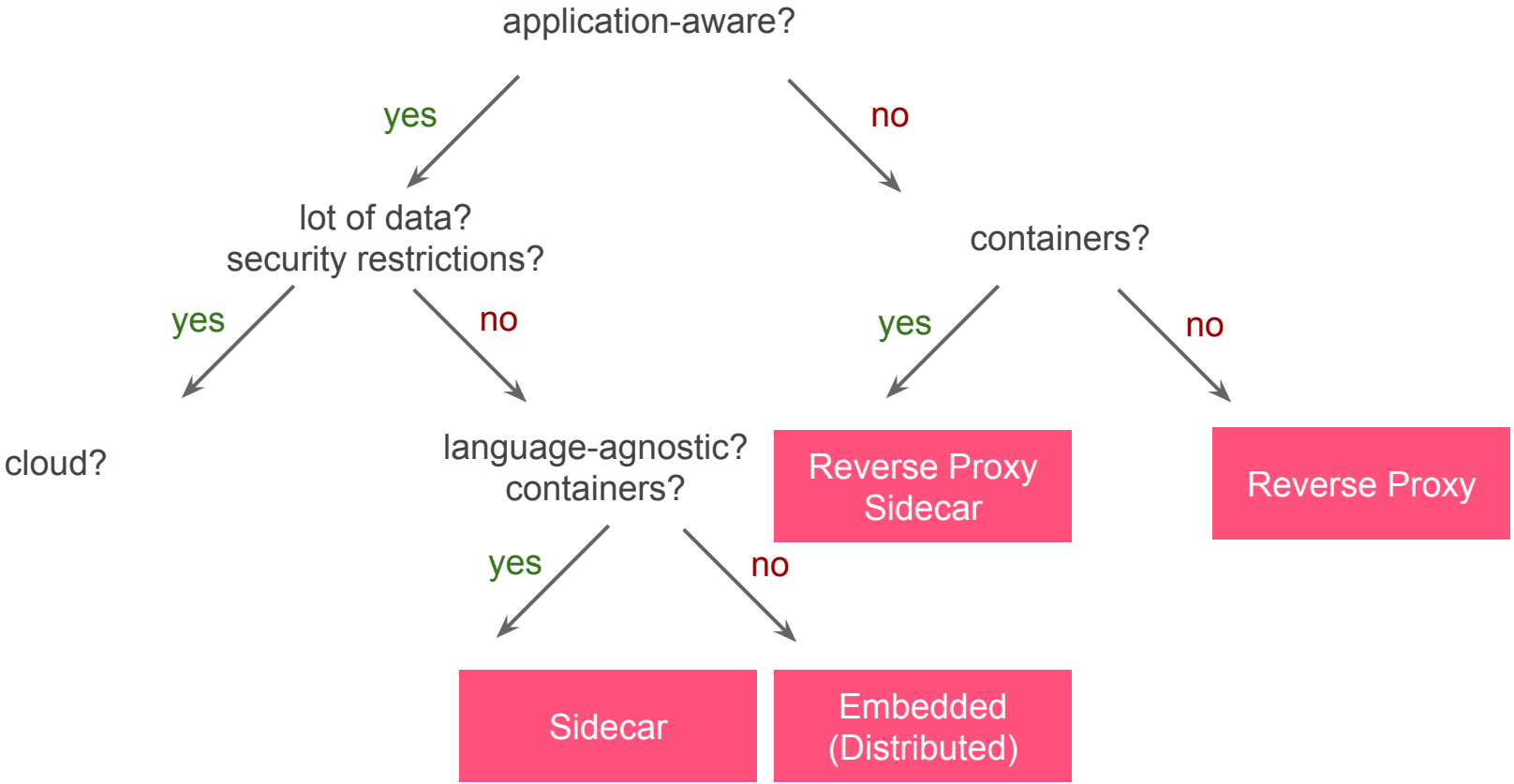
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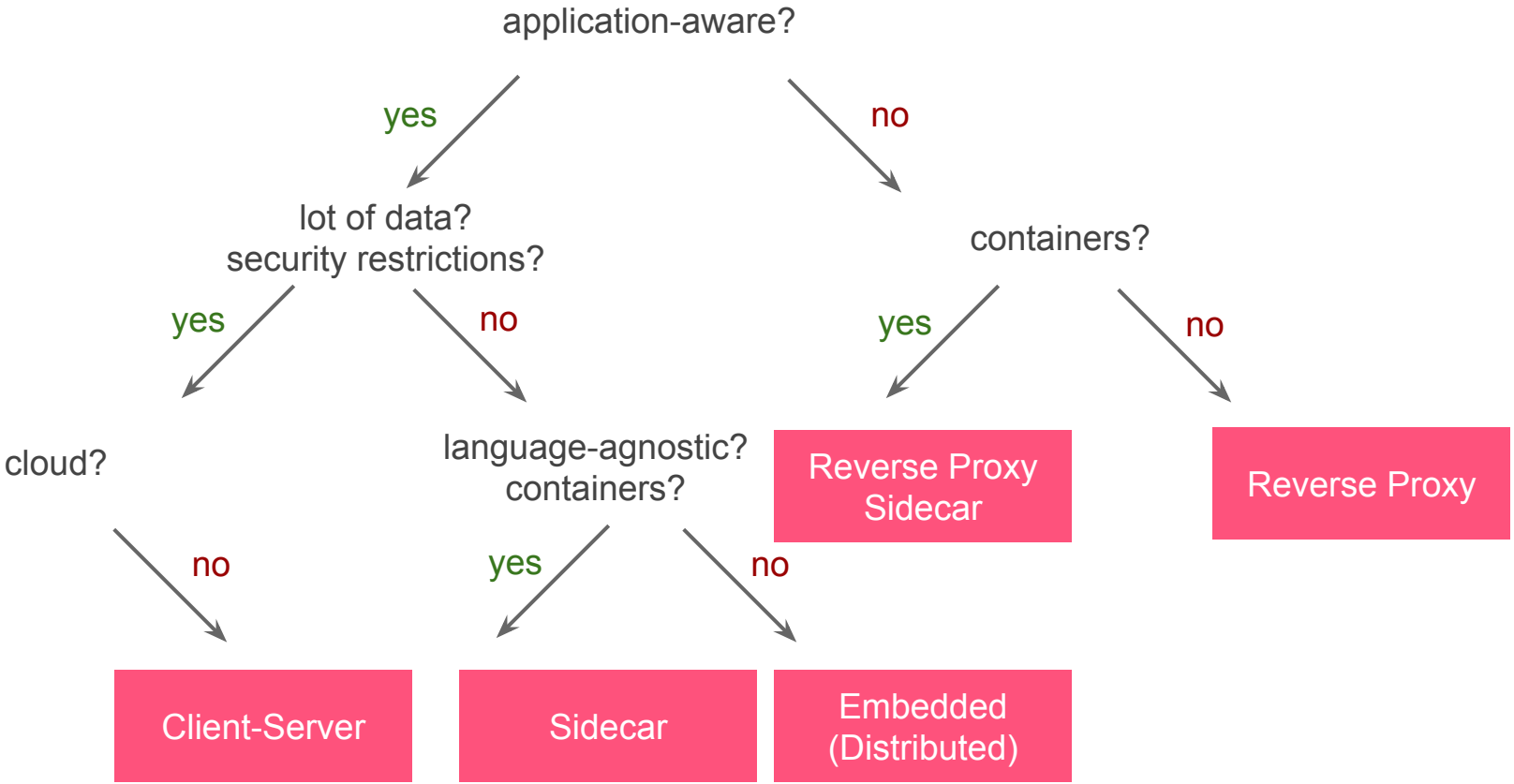
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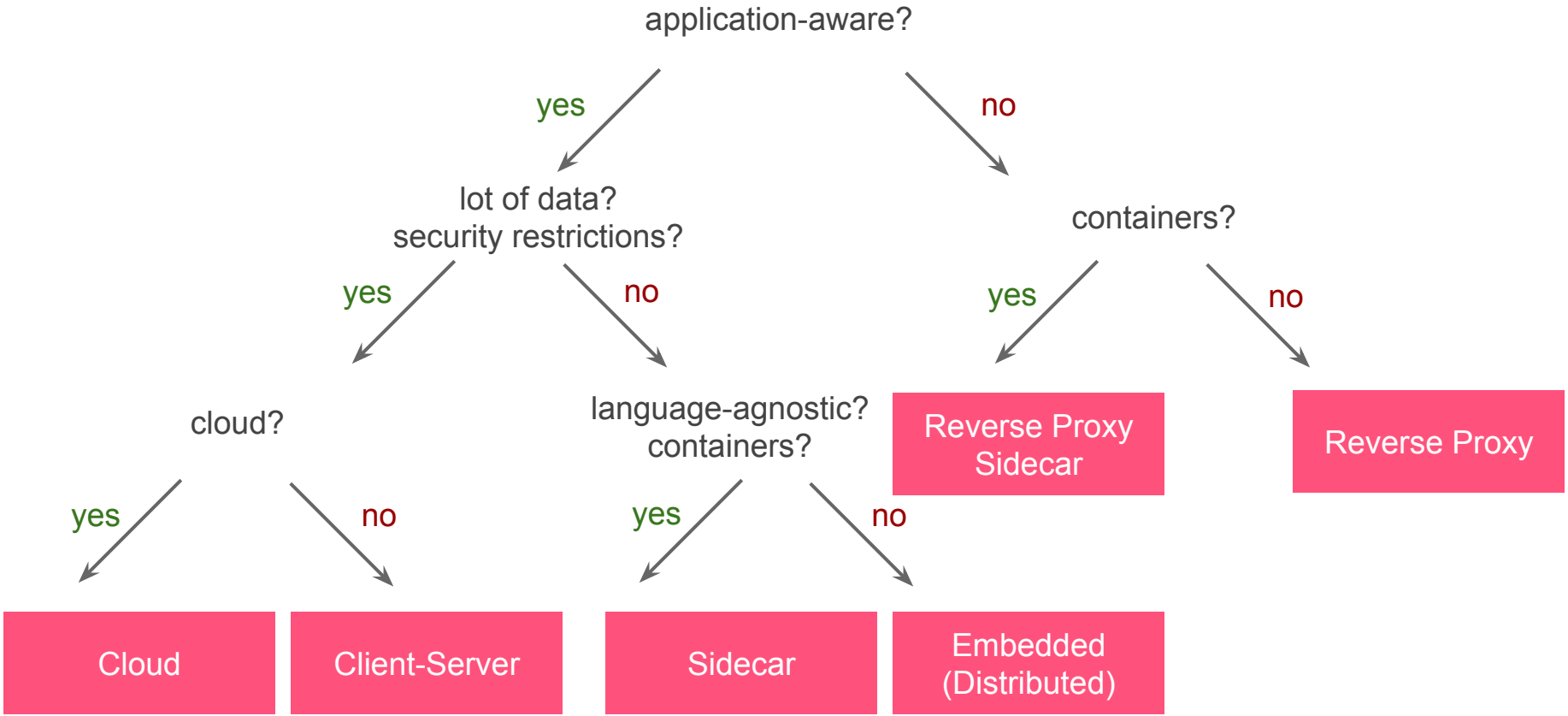
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Resources

- Hazelcast Sidecar Container Pattern: https://hazelcast.com/blog/hazelcast-sidecar-container-pattern/
- Hazelcast Reverse Proxy Sidecar Caching Prototype: https://github.com/leszko/caching-injector
- Caching Best Practices: https://vladmihalcea.com/caching-best-practices/
- NGINX HTTP Reverse Proxy Caching: https://www.nginx.com/resources/videos/best-practices-for-caching/

Thank You!

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