

Setting Up a Basic Linux

Network Namespace on

One Host

Introduction

This is a demonstration of how to create two namespaces, assign IP addresses, and perform a ping test between them on a single Linux host.

**You can follow my GitHub repository, [BuildNetWorkToCloud](https://github.com/zenithsoul/BuildNetWorkToCloud),
to see examples of automated network creation
using open-source tools**



<https://github.com/zenithsoul>

Requirement

1) -----

a Linux Host

2) -----

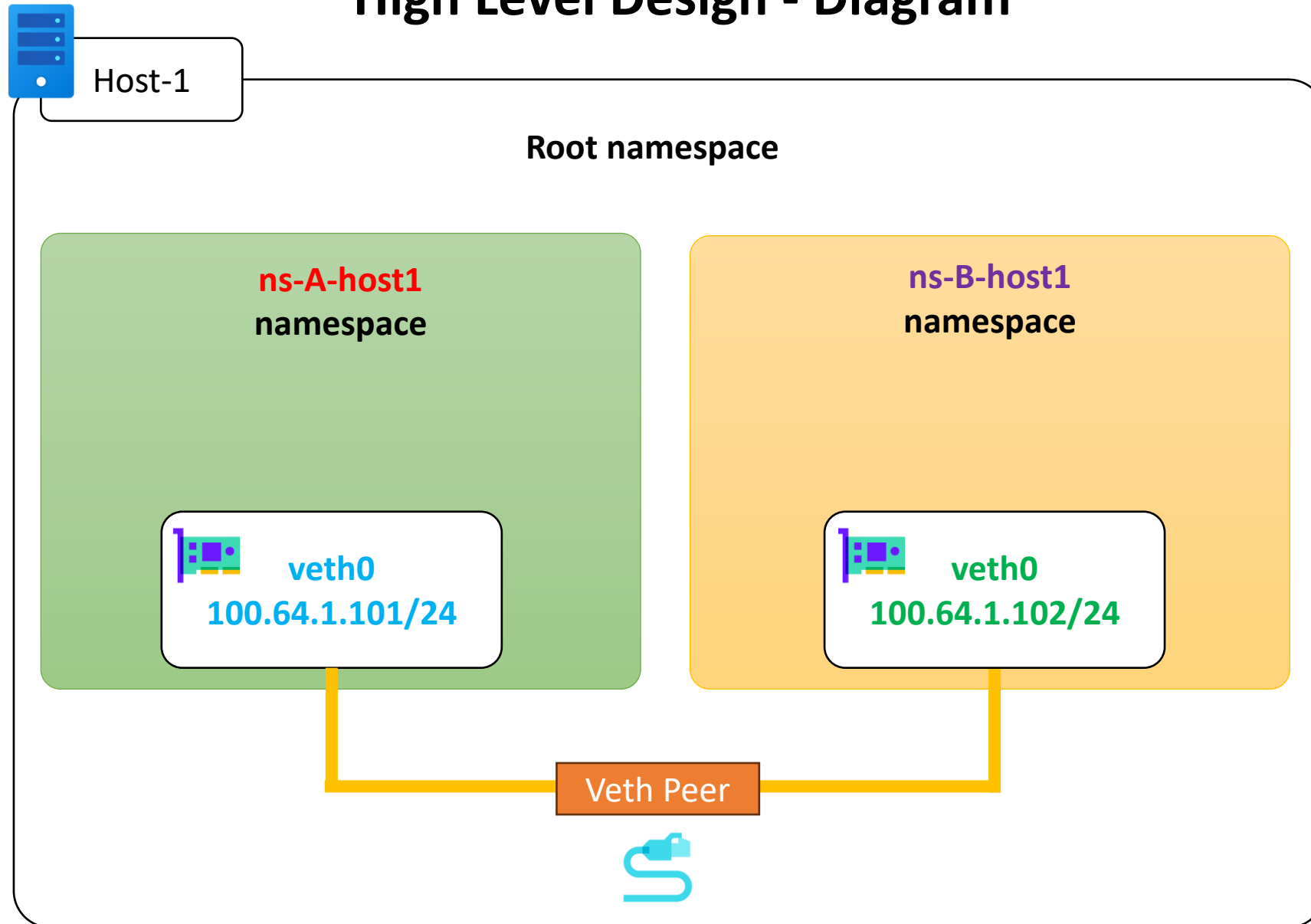
Ubuntu / Debian: iproute2

CentOS / RHEL / Fedora: iproute

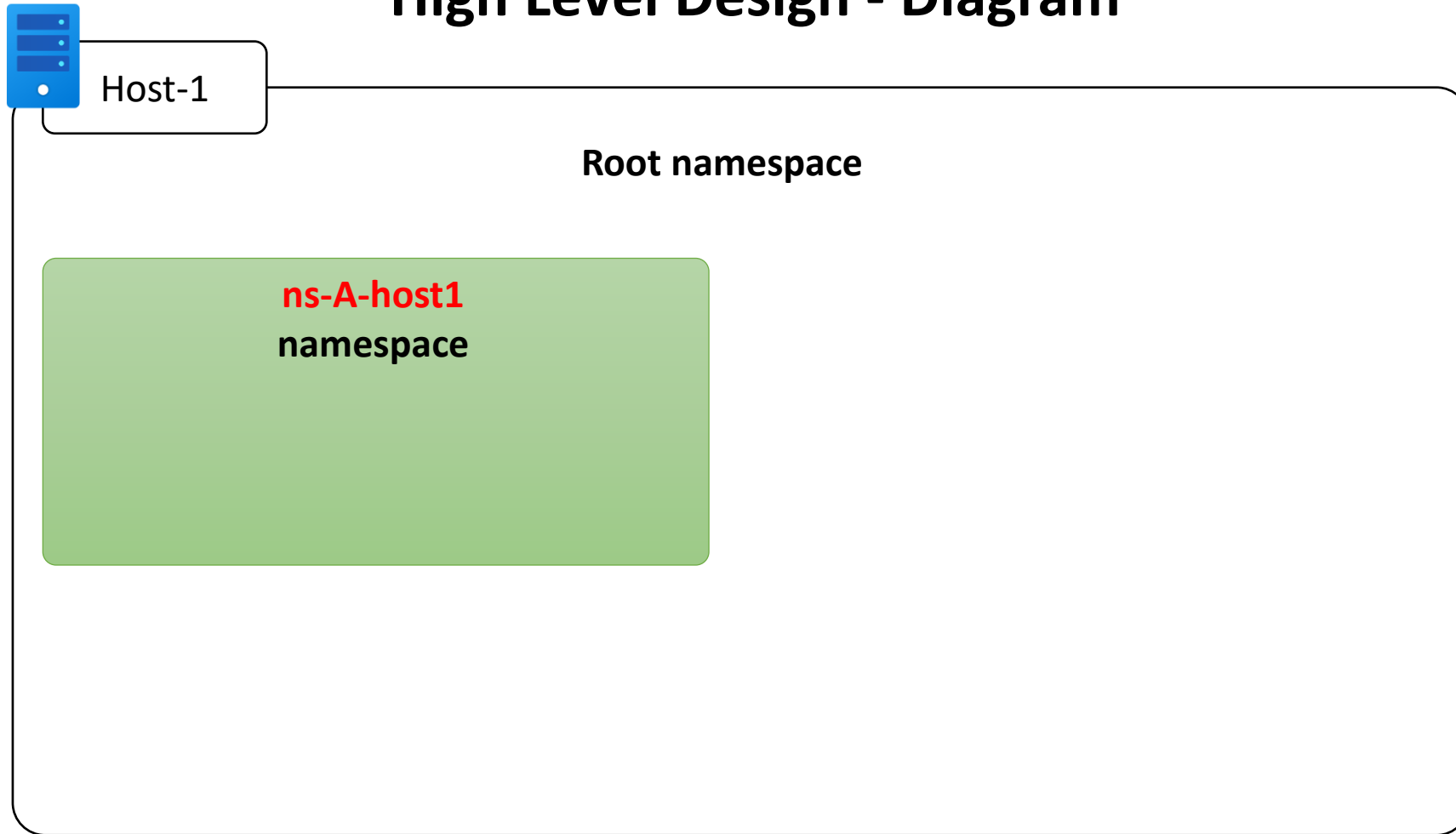
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Run with root account (sudo)

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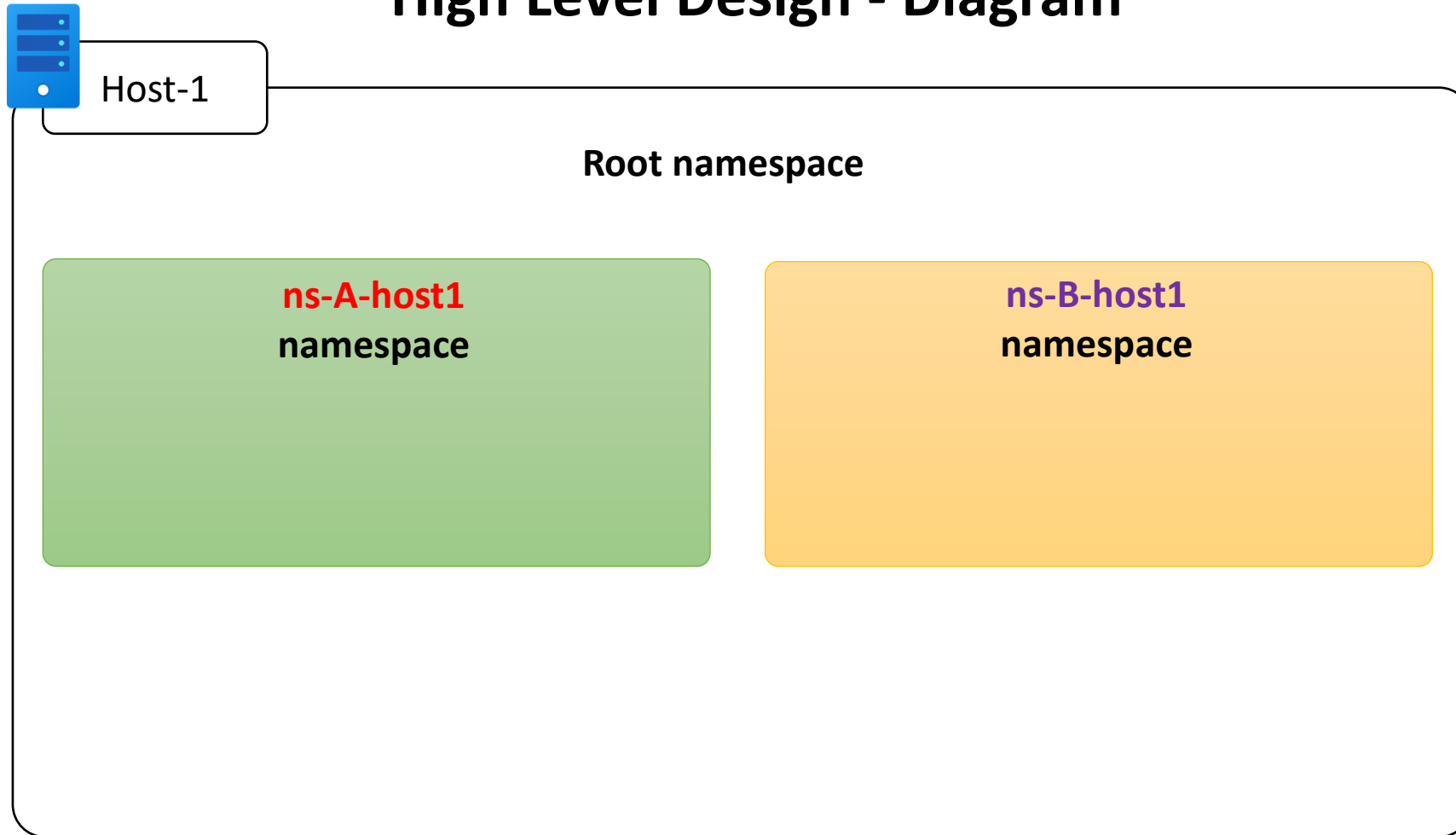
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Create a namespace > **ns-A-host1**

Host-1 # ip netns add **ns-A-host1**

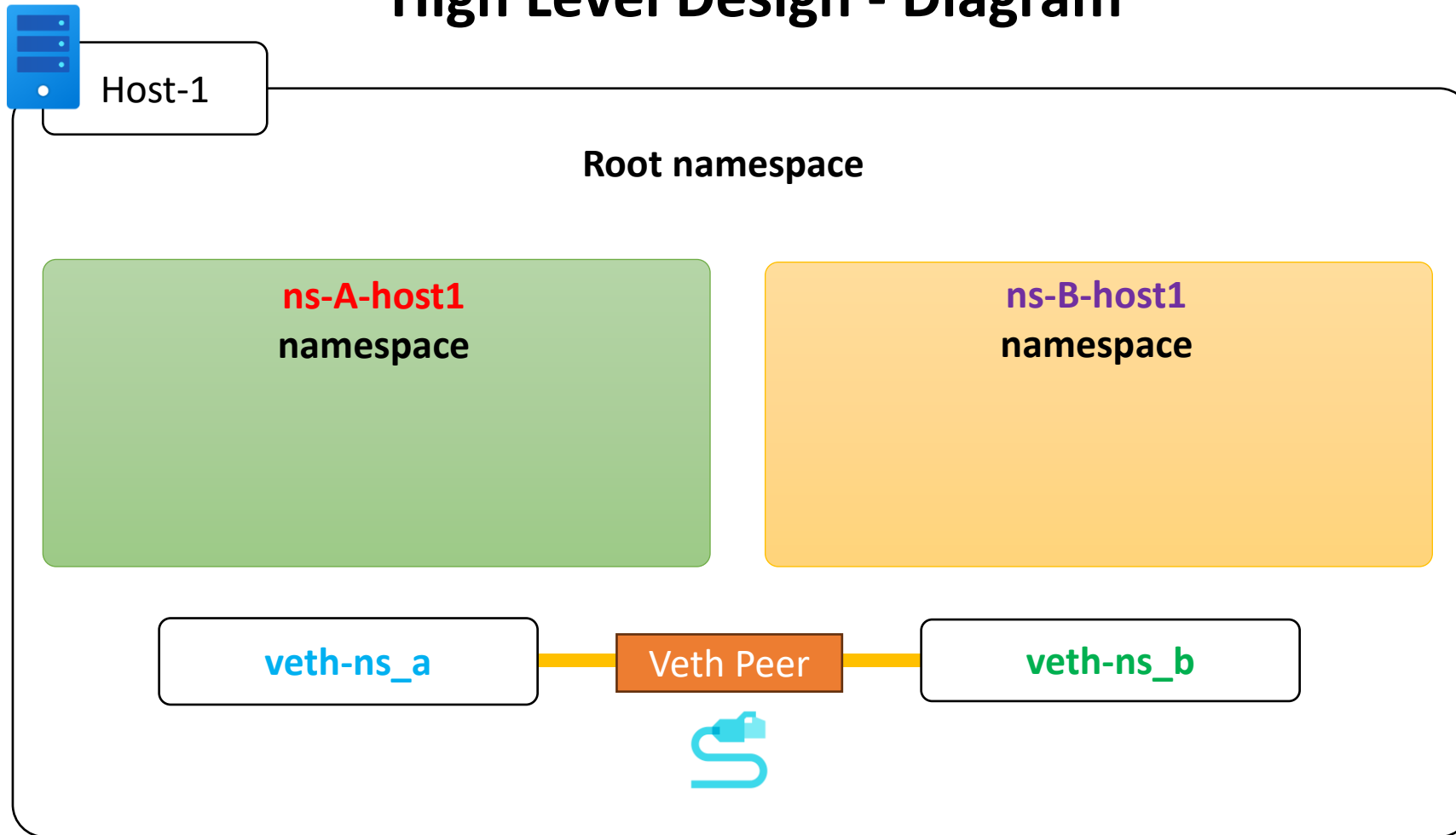
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Create a namespace > **ns-B-host1**

```
Host-1 # ip netns add ns-B-host1
```

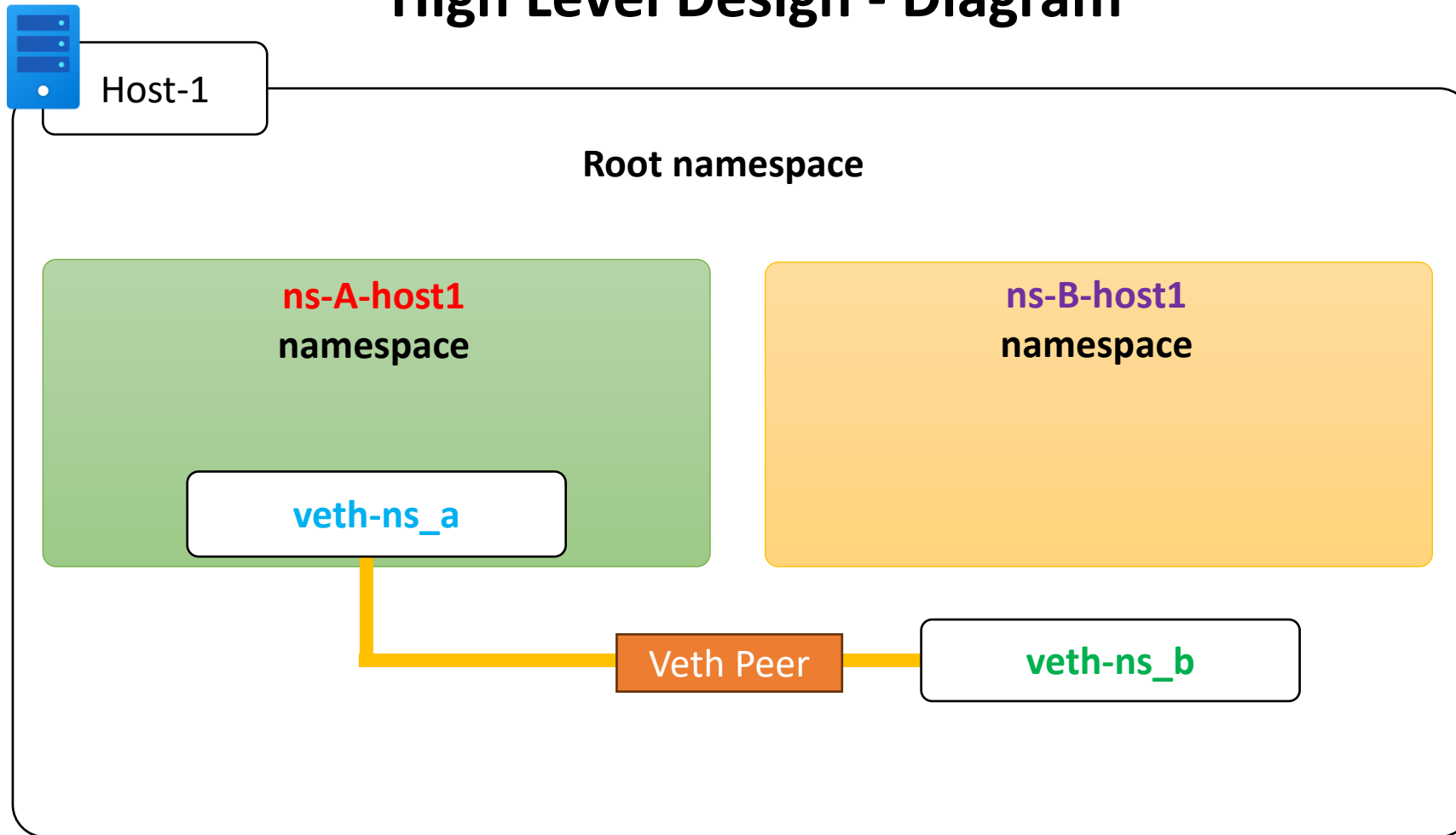
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Create the Veth Peer

Host-1 # ip link add veth-ns_a type veth peer name veth-ns_b

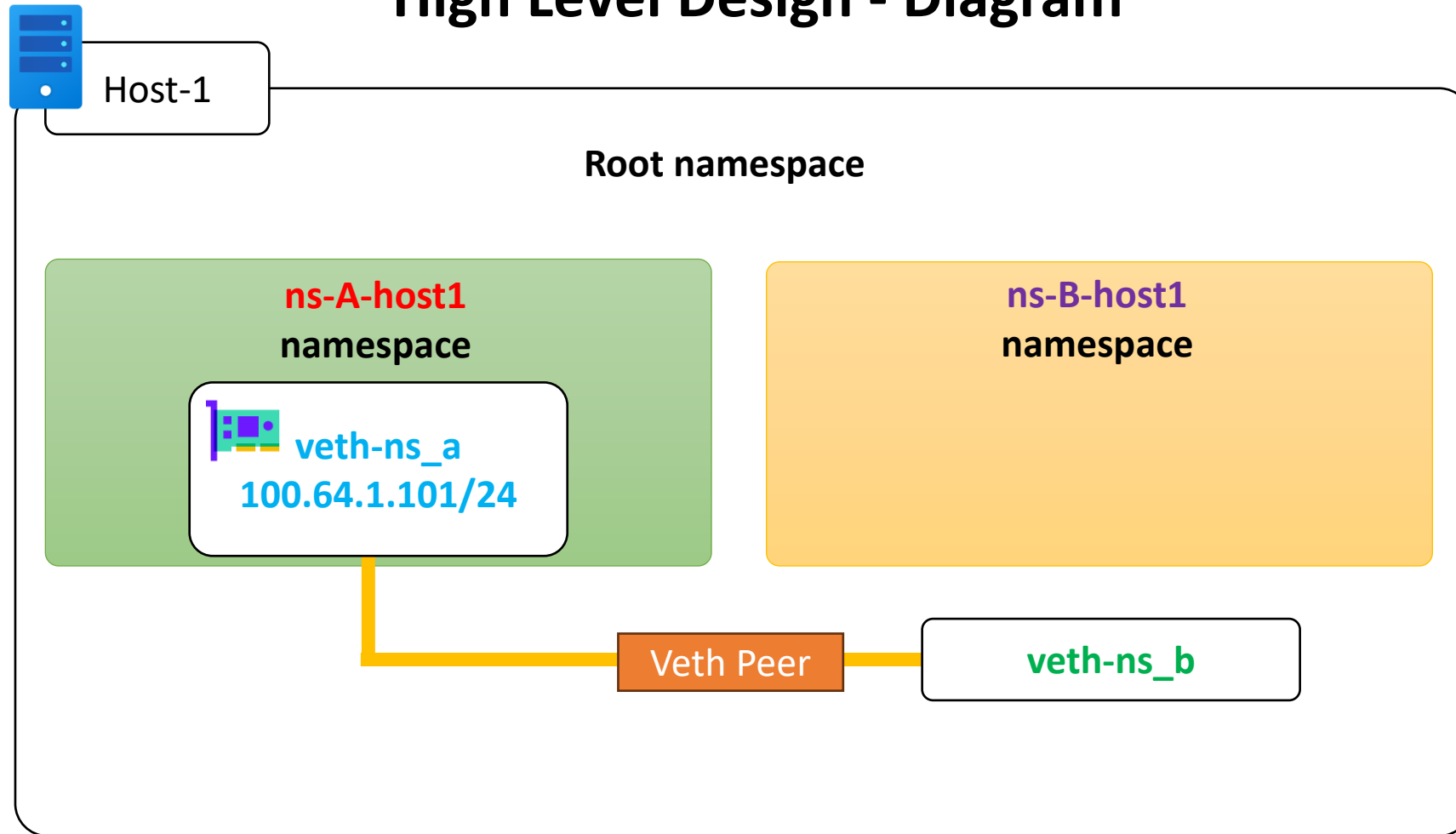
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Assign **veth-ns_a** to **ns-A-host1**

Host-1 # ip link set **veth-ns_a** netns **ns-A-host1**

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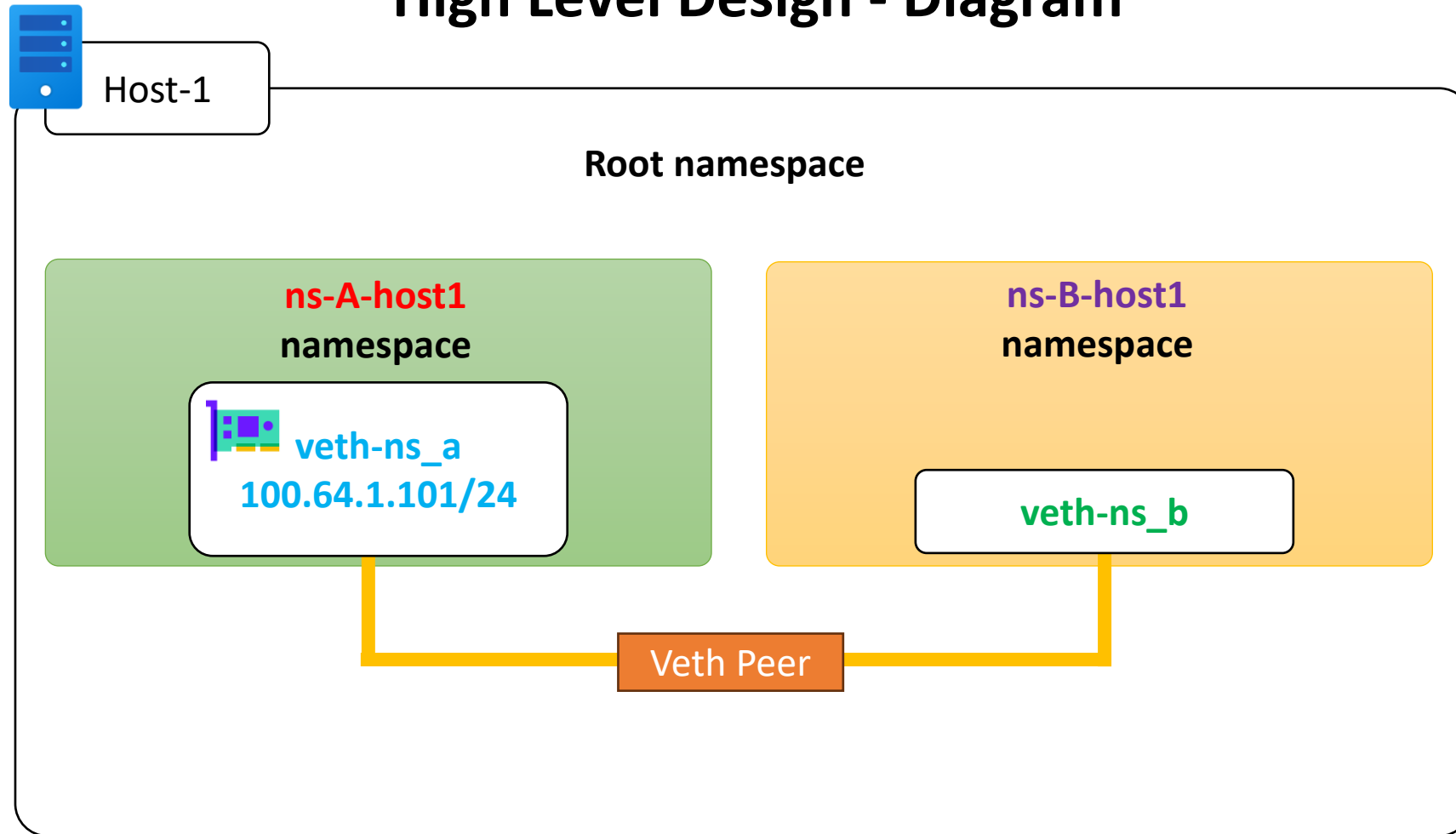


Configure ip address at **veth-ns_a**

```
Host-1 # ip netns exec ns-A-host1 ip addr add 100.64.1.101/24 dev veth-ns_a
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```
Host-1 # ip netns exec ns-A-host1 ip link set veth-ns_a up
```

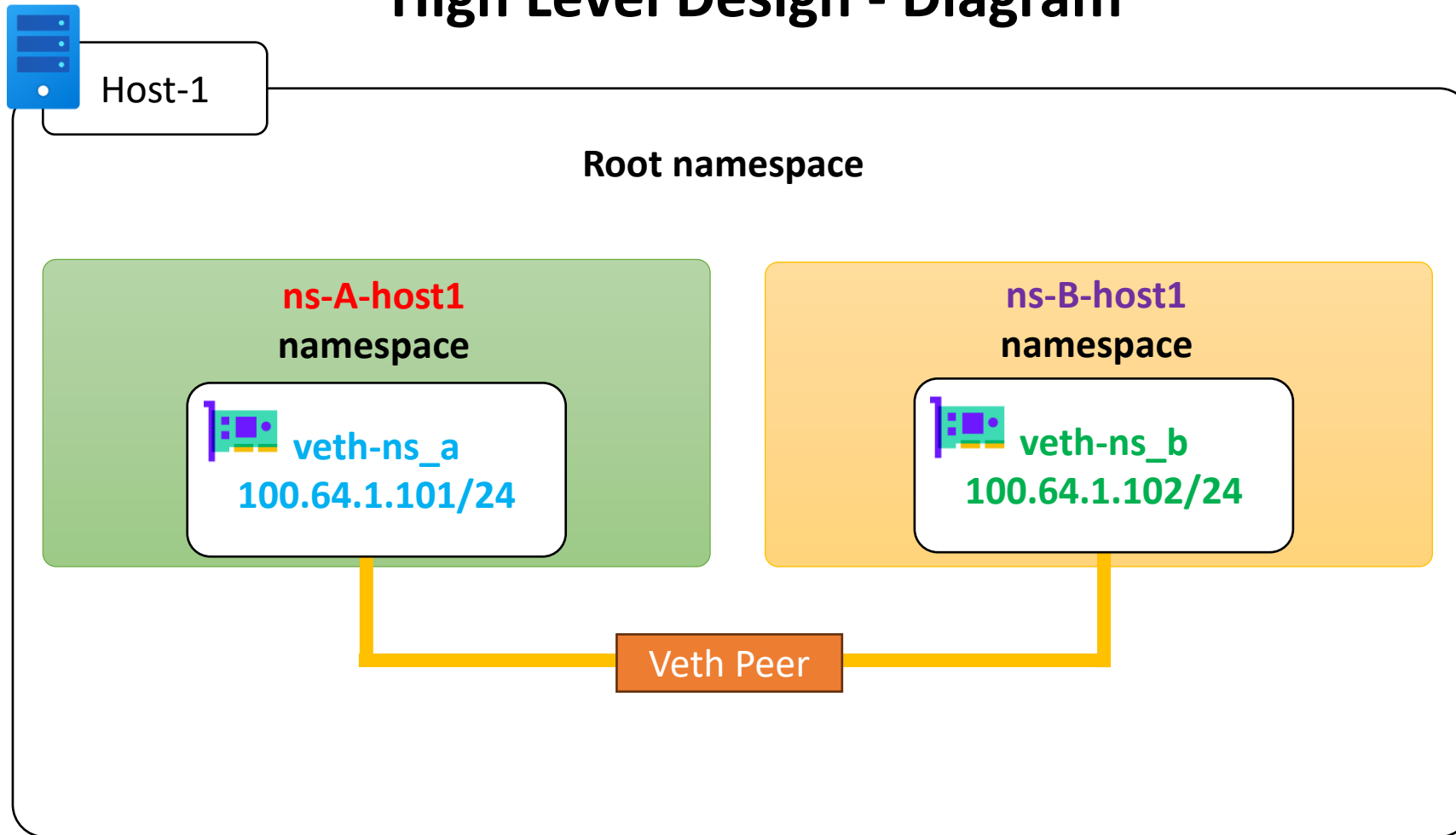
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Assign **veth-ns_b** to ns-B-host1

Host-1 # ip link set **veth-ns_b** netns ns-B-host1

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Configure ip address at

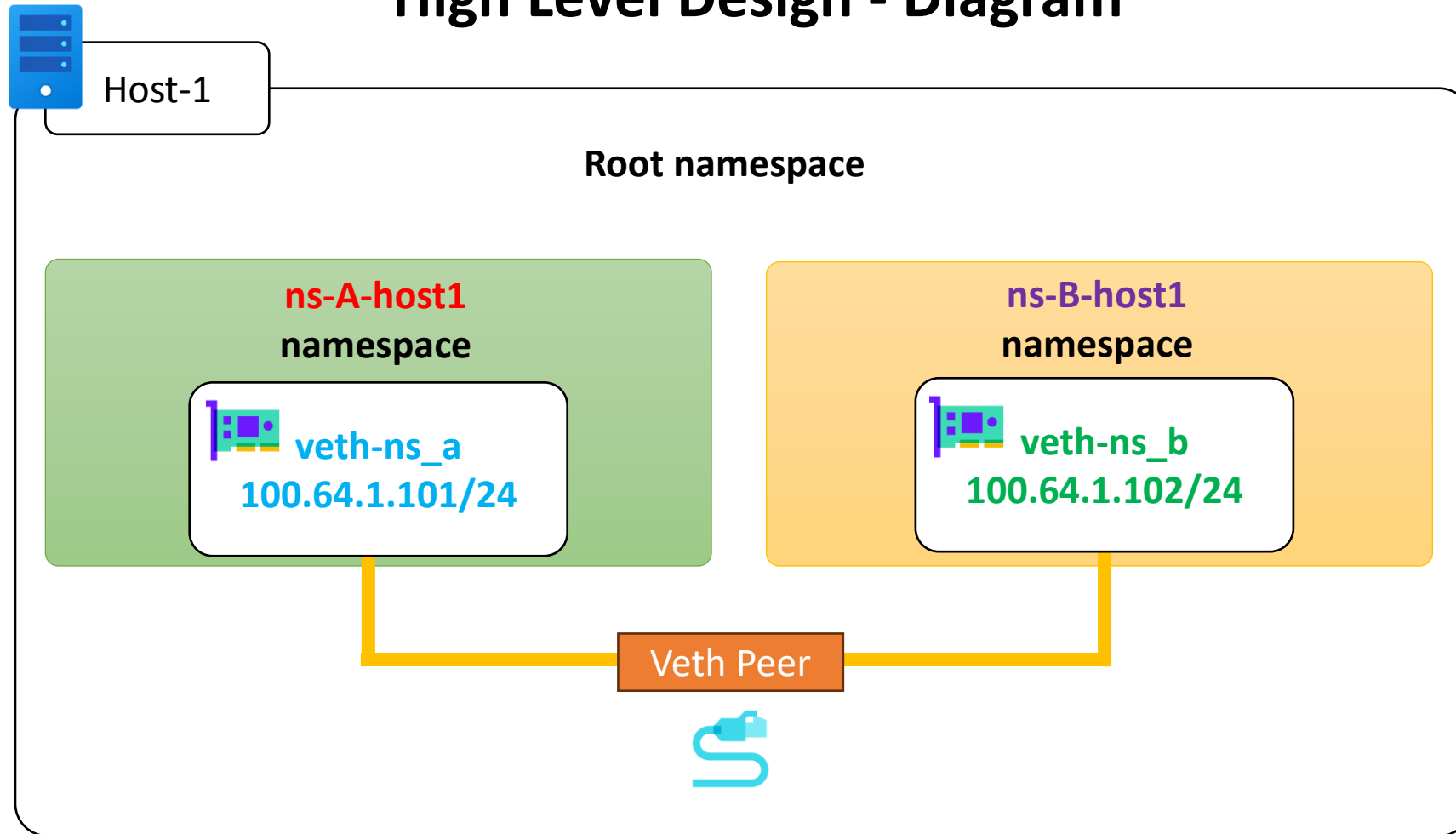
veth-ns_b

Host-1 # ip netns exec ns-B-host1 ip addr add 100.64.1.102/24 dev

veth-ns_b

Host-1 # ip netns exec ns-B-host1 ip link set **veth-ns_b** up

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Ping to **ns-B-host1** from **ns-A-host1**

```
ip netns exec ns-A-host1 ping 100.64.1.102 -c 3
```

Ping to **ns-A-host1** from **ns-B-host1**

```
ip netns exec ns-B-host1 ping 100.64.1.101 -c 3
```