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Postgres for the AI Generation

Database and AI Platform: The Cloud-Native Way

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EDB Postgres in Kubernetes



Why Kubernetes

One of the benefits of Kubernetes is that it makes building and running complex applications much simpler.

Services, Load
Balancing and
Networking

Health Checking

Storage Management

Automated Scheduling

Scalability: Scale
out/Scale down

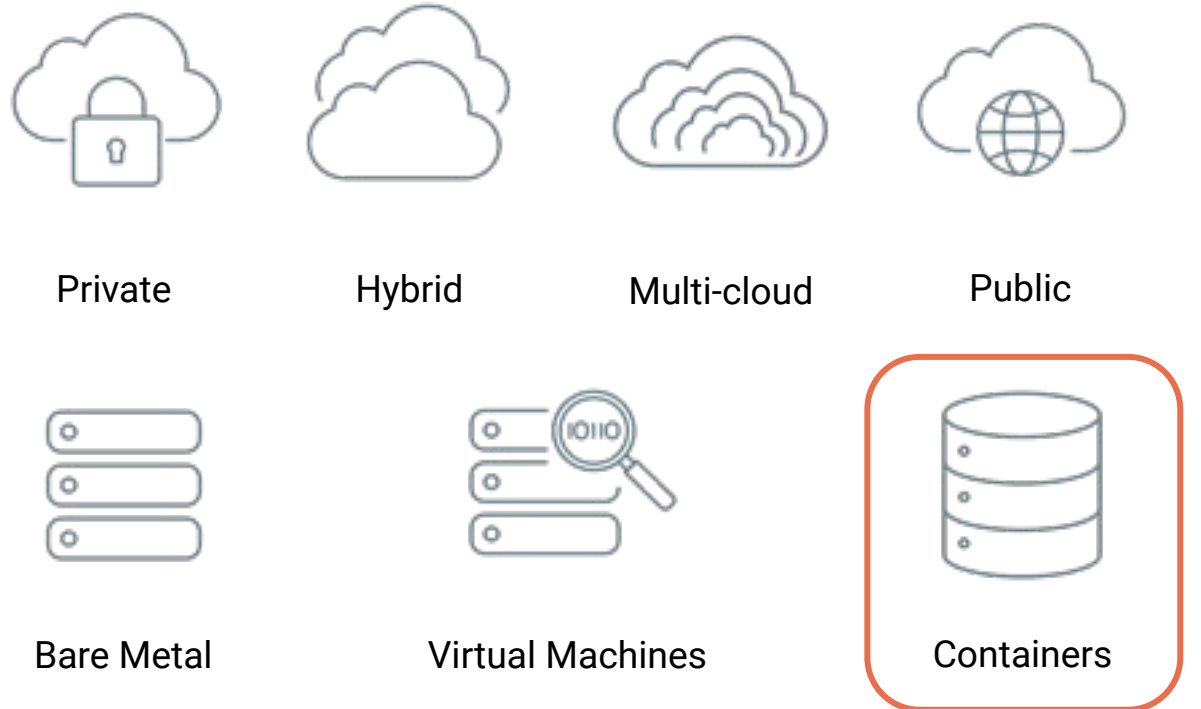
Rolling Deployments



Enabling the same PostgreSQL everywhere

From self-managed to fully managed DBaaS in the Cloud

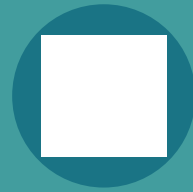
- Same applications
- Faster innovation
- Performance and scalability
- Stability, security and control
- Seamless integration



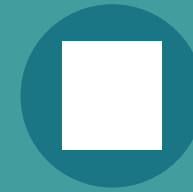
A kubernetes operator for Postgres



Kubernetes adoption is rising and it is already the de facto standard orchestration tool



PostgreSQL clusters “management the kubernetes way” enables many cloud native usage patterns, e.g. spinning up, disposable clusters during tests, one cluster per microservice and one database per cluster



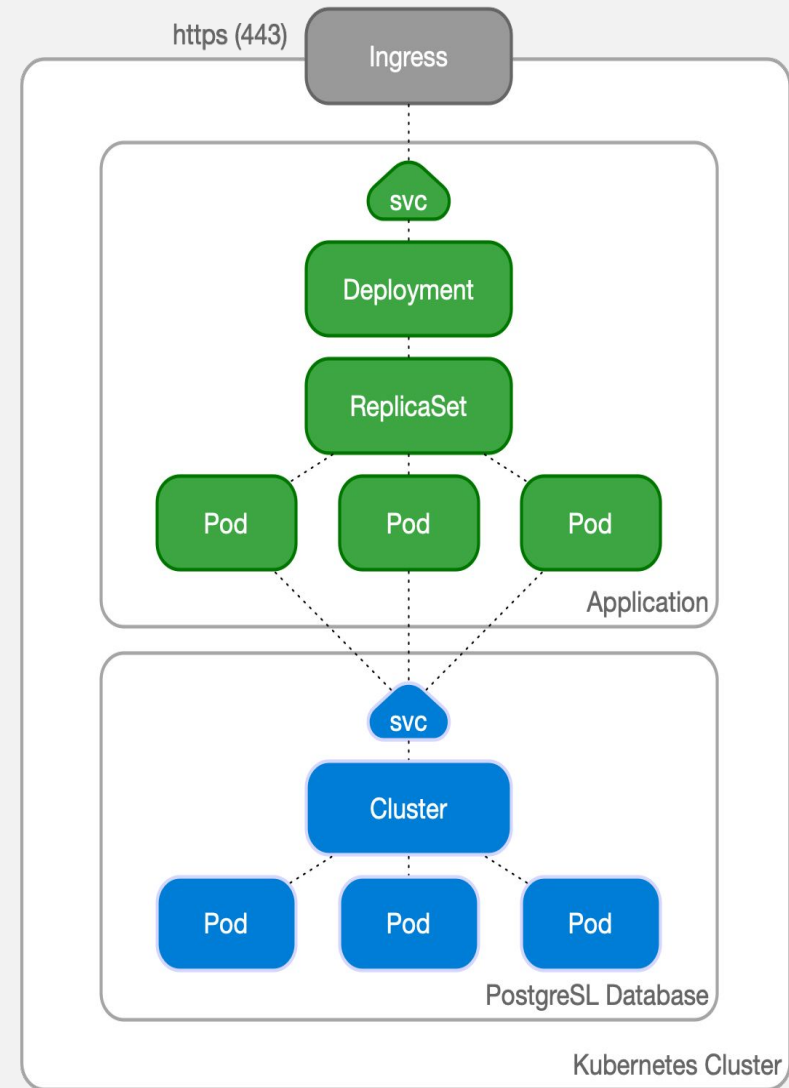
CNP tries to encode years of experience managing PostgreSQL clusters into an Operator which should automate all the known tasks a user could be willing to do

Our PostgreSQL operator must simulate the work of a DBA



Applications and Databases in K8s

- Stateless application as a deployment
 - Rolling upgrades
 - ReplicaSet for scaling and HA
 - Custom application images (Go, Django, Java, Python, C, C++, ...)
- Stateful database using our operator
 - Embeds primary/standby logic
 - Service for RW and Read operations
 - Rolling upgrades, scaling, HA, ...
 - "Cluster" CRD



Kubernetes timeline

- 2014, June: Google open sources Kubernetes
- 2015, July: Version 1.0 is released
- 2015, July: Google and Linux Foundation start the CNCF
- 2016, November: The operator pattern is introduced in a blog post
- 2018, August: The Community takes the lead
- 2019, April: Version 1.14 introduces **Local Persistent Volumes**
- 2019, August: EDB team starts the Kubernetes initiative
- 2020, June: we publish this blog about benchmarking local PVs on bare metal
- 2020, June: Data on Kubernetes Community founded
- 2021, February: EDB Cloud Native Postgres (CNP) 1.0 released
- 2022, May: **EDB donates CNP** and open sources it under CloudNativePG



CloudNativePG/EDB Postgres for Kubernetes

CloudNativePG



- Kubernetes operator for PostgreSQL
- “Level 5”, Production ready
- Day 1 & 2 operations of a Postgres database
- Open source (May 2022)
 - Originally created by EDB
 - Apache License 2.0
 - Vendor neutral openly governed
 - 4300+ stars on GitHub
- Extends the K8s controller
 - Status of the `Cluster`
 - “no Patroni, No statefulsets”
- Immutable application containers
- Fully declarative

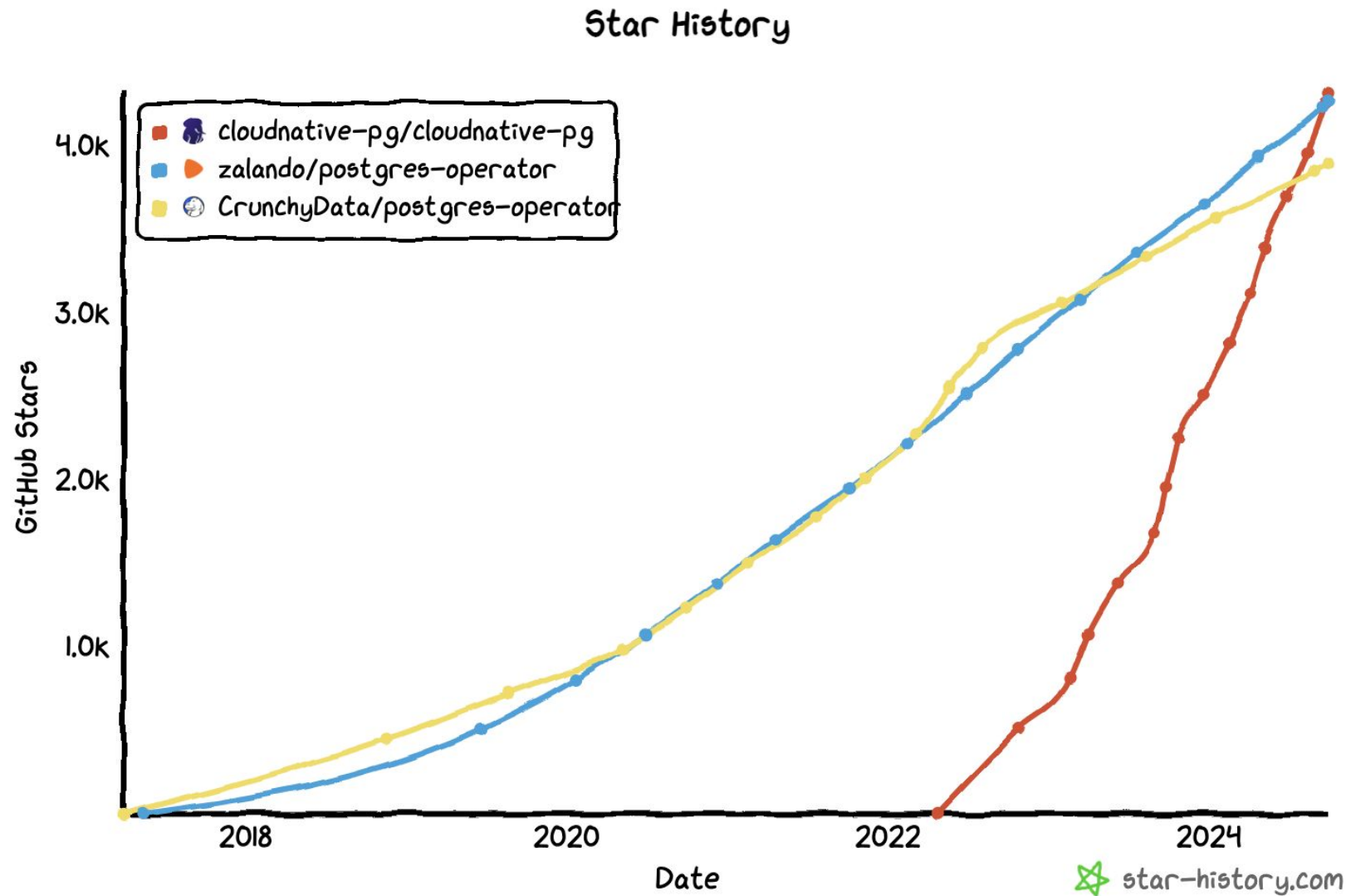
EDB Postgres for Kubernetes

- Fork of CloudNativePG
 - +
- Provides Long Term Support
- Access to EDB Postgres Extended (TDE)
- Access to EDB Postgres Advanced (TDE + Oracle Compatibility layer)
- Red Hat OpenShift compatibility
- Kubernetes level backup integration
 - Generic external backup interface

Operator Capabilities Levels



Github stars



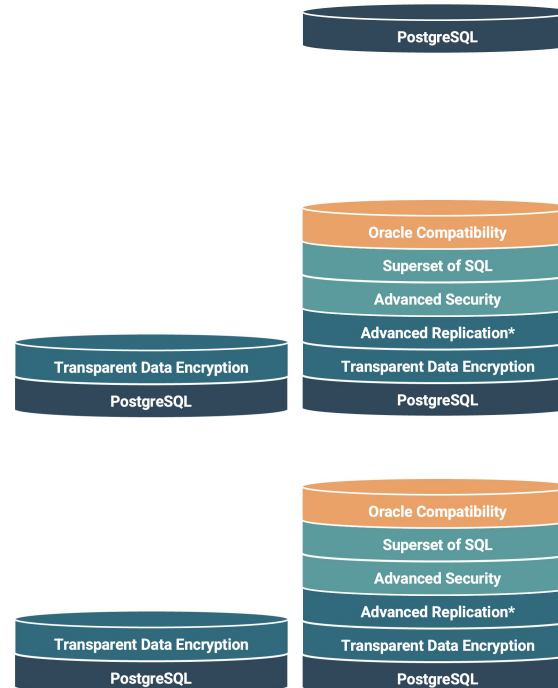
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Features

- Automated failover
- Services for RW and RO workloads
- Affinity control
- Backup and Recovery
- Rolling updates
- Scale up/down of read replicas
- Fencing and hibernation
- Native Prometheus exporters
- Log in JSON format to stdout
- OpenShift (and other K8S platforms) compatibility
- TDE (in EDB Postgres for Kubernetes)
- ... and much more



CloudNativePG

CloudNativePG is a Kubernetes operator that covers the full lifecycle of a PostgreSQL database...

Containerized application Storage



EDB Postgres for Kubernetes

PostgreSQL Operator for mission critical databases

Containerized application Storage



EDB Postgres Distributed

EDB Postgres Distributed for Kubernetes is an operator designed to manage EDB Postgres Distributed...

Containerized application Storage

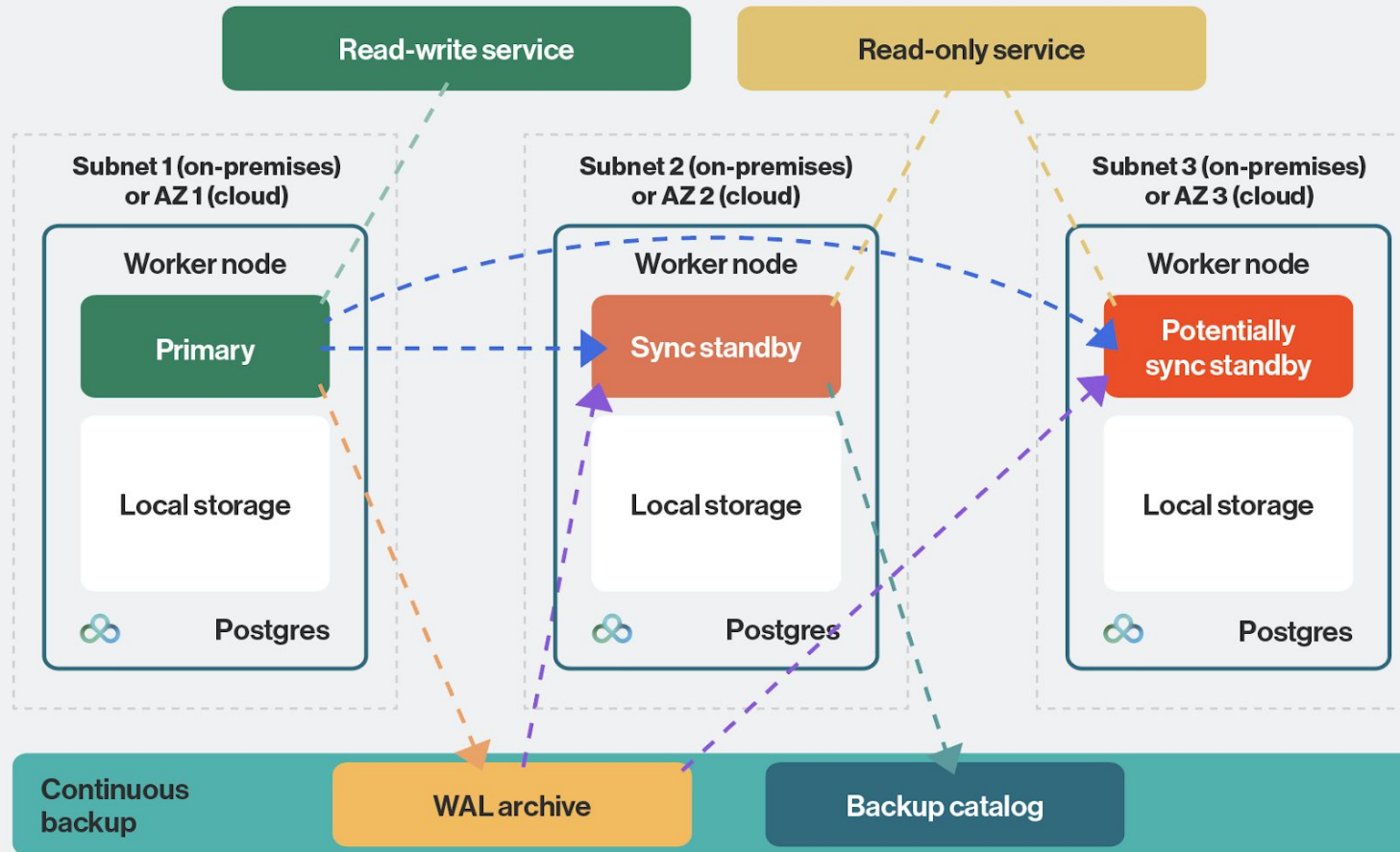


Architectures



Production Cluster with 3+ Availability Zones

K8S Cluster



Legend

- Blue square: PostgreSQL physical streaming replication
- Green square: Read-write client connections
- Orange square: WAL archiving process
- Purple square: WAL restore fallback process
- Teal square: Physical backup from a standby
- Yellow square: Read-only client connections



Configuration example

Number of instances in streaming replica

Postgres version

Initialize database (new)

Monitoring to prometheus

Barman backup repository

```
apiVersion: postgresql.cnpg.io/v1
kind: Cluster
metadata:
  name: cluster1
spec:
  instances: 3
  imageName: ghcr.io/cloudnative-pg/postgresql:14.3

  superuserSecret:
    name: superuser-secret

  bootstrap:
    initdb:
      database: app
      owner: app-own
      secret:
        name: app-secret

  storage:
    size: 100Gi

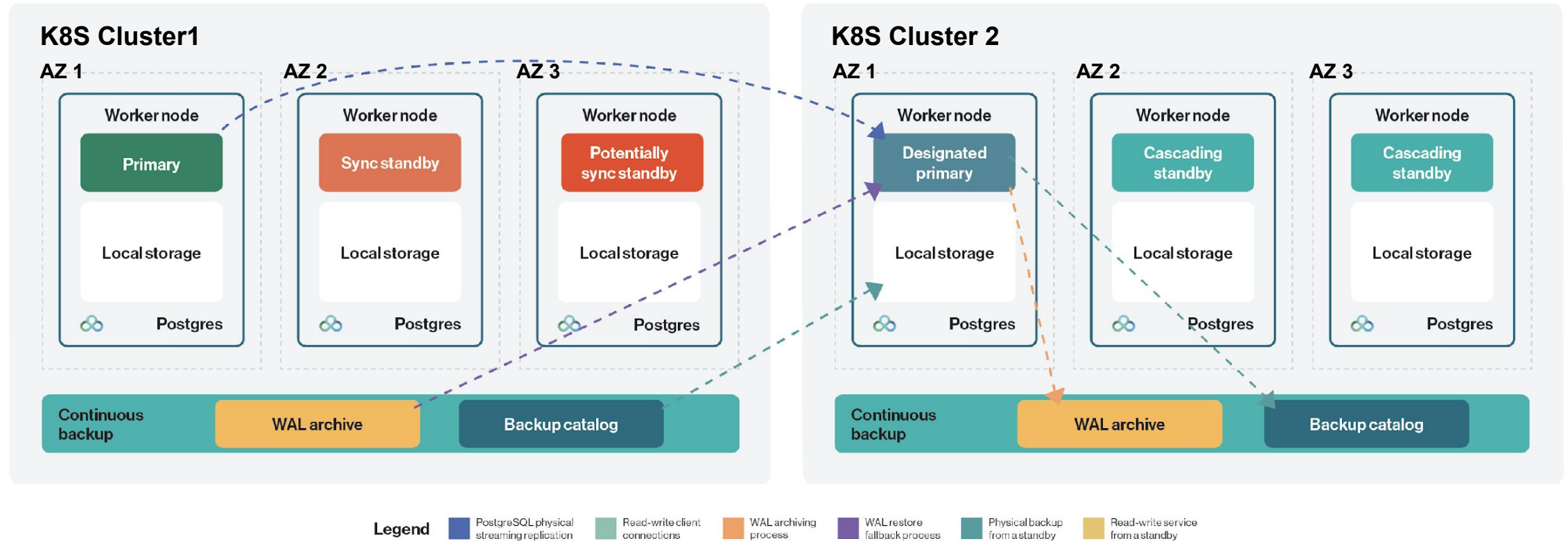
  monitoring:
    enablePodMonitor: true

  backup:
    barmanObjectStore:
      destinationPath: "s3://cloudnativepg/"
      endpointURL: "http://192.168.1.121:9000"
      s3Credentials:
        accessKeyId:
          name: minio-creds
          key: MINIO_ACCESS_KEY
        secretAccessKey:
          name: minio-creds
          key: MINIO_SECRET_KEY
      data:
        immediateCheckpoint: true
        retentionPolicy: "1w"
```



Symmetric Architecture on 2 different K8S clusters

Primary + DR, RPO=0, RTO=manual, 100% declarative configuration



Configuration example

Number of instances in streaming replica

Postgres version

Initialize database (as replica from)

Monitoring to prometheus

Barman repository

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apiVersion: postgresql.cnpg.io/v1
kind: Cluster
metadata:
  name: cluster1
spec:
  instances: 3
  imageName: ghcr.io/cloudnative-pg/postgresql:14.3

  superuserSecret:
    name: superuser-secret

  bootstrap:
    initdb:
      database: app
      owner: app-own
      secret:
        name: app-secret
    bootstrap:
      recovery:
        backup:
          name: backup-PIT
    replica:
      enabled: true
      source: cluster2

  storage:
    size: 100Gi

  monitoring:
    enablePodMonitor: true

  backup:
    barmanObjectStore:
      destinationPath: "s3://cloudnativepg/"
      endpointURL: "http://192.168.1.121:9000"
      s3Credentials:
        accessKeyId:
          name: minio-creds
          key: MINIO_ACCESS_KEY
        secretAccessKey:
          name: minio-creds
          key: MINIO_SECRET_KEY
      data:
        immediateCheckpoint: true
        retentionPolicy: "1w"
```



Recommended architectures



<https://www.cncf.io/blog/2023/09/29/recommended-architectures-for-postgresql-in-kubernetes/>

A screenshot of a web page from the Cloud Native Computing Foundation. The page title is "Recommended architectures for PostgreSQL in Kubernetes". The author is Gabriele Bartolini, dated September 29, 2023. The article discusses the challenges of running stateful workloads like PostgreSQL on Kubernetes, referencing a tweet by Kelsey Hightower from 2018. The text explains that while it's fundamentally the same as running a database on a VM, the challenge is understanding that Kubernetes on PostgreSQL won't turn it into Cloud SQL. It notes that the holistic offering of storage capabilities in Kubernetes was still immature at the time, but the operator pattern has since become widely accepted. The article concludes that the situation is completely different now, and many people who've worked hard in the last few years to bring stateful workloads in Kubernetes agree with Kelsey's recent powerful words, which will contribute to reversing the public perception and facilitate the mission.

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Recommended architectures for PostgreSQL in Kubernetes

By *Gabriele Bartolini*
September 29, 2023

Member post by Gabriele Bartolini, VP of Cloud Native at EDB

"You can run databases on Kubernetes because it's fundamentally the same as running a database on a VM", [retweeted Kelsey Hightower just a few months ago](#). Quite the opposite from what the former Google engineer and advocate [said back in 2018 on Twitter](#): "Kubernetes supports stateful workloads; I don't."

Kelsey Hightower [@kelseyhightower](#)

You can run databases on Kubernetes because it's fundamentally the same as running a database on a VM. The biggest challenge is understanding that running Kubernetes on PostgreSQL won't turn it into Cloud SQL. [🔗](#)

Truth is that I agree with him now as much as I agreed with him back then. At that time, the holistic offering of storage capabilities in Kubernetes was still immature (local persistent volumes would become GA only the year after), the operator pattern – which in the meantime has proven to be crucial for stateful applications like databases – was yet to become widely accepted, and the [Data on Kubernetes Community](#) was more than two years away (second half of 2020).

Nowadays, the situation is completely different. And I am sure that many people who've worked hard in the last few years to bring stateful workloads in Kubernetes agree with me that Kelsey's recent powerful words will contribute to reversing the public perception and facilitate our mission – provided we keep doing great.

Demo Time



Questions?



Thank you

