

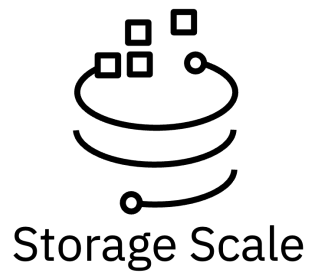
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- Storage Scale (System) Support
- Storage Scale System 6000 – Expert Care Premium
- IBM Technology Expert Labs – A short introduction
- Writeable snapshots with IBM Storage Scale
- Dynamic Infrastructure for Spark in OpenShift
- Data Migration using OpenShift built-in tools
- Multi-Protocol data access in OpenShift

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Support reference guides

- Support Model
- Support Scope
- Contact information
- Escalation handling
- Useful links
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Storage Scale System

- <https://www.ibm.com/support/pages/ibm-storage-scale-system-formerly-elastic-storage-system-or-ess-support-reference-guide>

Storage Scale

- <https://www.ibm.com/support/pages/node/6252403>

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Storage Scale System 6000

Expert Care Premium

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Expert Care Premium – General Availability for Storage Scale System 6000 – Jan 23rd 2024

IBM Storage Scale System 6000	Basic	Advanced	Premium
IBM Hardware Maintenance: IBM provides 9x5 - Next Business Day Onsite Repair	√	-	-
IBM Hardware Maintenance IBM provides 24x7 - Same Day Onsite Repair	-	√	√
Predictive Support Predictive Support can be provided only for the Utility Node when it is attached/configured with same generation IBM Storage Scale System hardware.	-	√	√

IBM Storage Scale System 6000	Basic	Advanced	Premium
Dedicate Support from an IBM Expert Technical Account Manager (TAM)	-	-	√
Enhanced 30-minute response time For Severity 1 and Severity 2 Issues	-	-	√
Support Line - Embded with the hardware order of 5149-23E and 5149-F48 Support line for RedHat is outside the Expert Care bundle and is enabled with the hardware machine order of Utility Node (5148-23E) and the Scale System 6000(5149-F48)			

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IBM Technology Expert Labs

A short introduction

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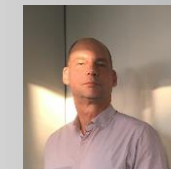
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IBM Technology Expert Labs – Service overview

Integration & upgrade services (Deploy/Support)

- DS8000 Logical Configuration Service
- Elastic Storage Server (ESS) Implementation
- IBM Storage Scale Implementation
- IBM Storage Fusion Implementation (HCI & SDS)
- IBM Storage Discover Implementation
- FlashSystem Implementation
- CSM Integration for z/OS or Distributed Platforms
- IBM Storage Protect/Protect Plus Implementation
- IBM Storage Protect Snapshot (FlashCopy Manager)
- IBM Storage Virtualize (SVC) Advanced Integration

Tailored Services (customized)

Customized TAW - Technology Adoption Workshops

- Flexible and customized
- Various levels of skill transfer
- Hands-on

Security Services (Deploy/Optimize)

- Cyber Incident Response Storage Assessment (CIRSA)
- Cyber Vault for IBM Storage Architecture Workshop
- Encryption Implementation (TKLM/SKLM/GKLM)

Health Checks (Optimize)

- IBM Storage Scale Health Check
- Architectural Datacenter Check
- SAN Health Check
- IBM Storage Virtualize / FS9xxx Health Check
- DS8000 Health Check
- IBM Storage Protect Health Check
- TS7700 Health Check Service
- TS7700 Performance Check
- Health Check of TS4500 Libraries and Drives

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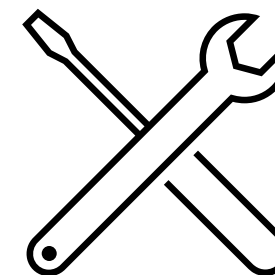
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Migration/Disposal Services (Refresh)

- IBM Storage Scale based migration
- z/OS Data Migraton (TDMF)
- Copy Services based Data Migration
- High End Tape Migration (TS77xx, VTS)
- Enterprise Disk Secure Data Overwrite
- Enterprise Tape Secure Data Overwrite
- FlashSystem Secure Deletion Offering

Consulting Services (Optimize)

- Ansible Automation Service
- IBM Storage Scale Architecture and Consulting
- Elastic Storage Server Consulting Service
- CSM Consulting for z/OS and Distributed
- IBM Storage Protect/IBM Storage Protect Plus
- IBM Storage Protect Plus Consulting
- Cyber Resiliency Consulting Service



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Standard service offering

- 5-day project units
- Pre-priced
- Standardized content
- Onsite or remote

Time and material

- Project based
- Customized, based on clients requirements
- Flexible - purchase project units at time of sale or during product lifecycle
- Onsite or remote

Expertise Connect

- Subscription-based
- Long-term trusted advisor relationship
- Dedicated expert, brings in highly specialized experts if needed
- Onsite or remote



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Writeable snapshots with IBM Storage Scale

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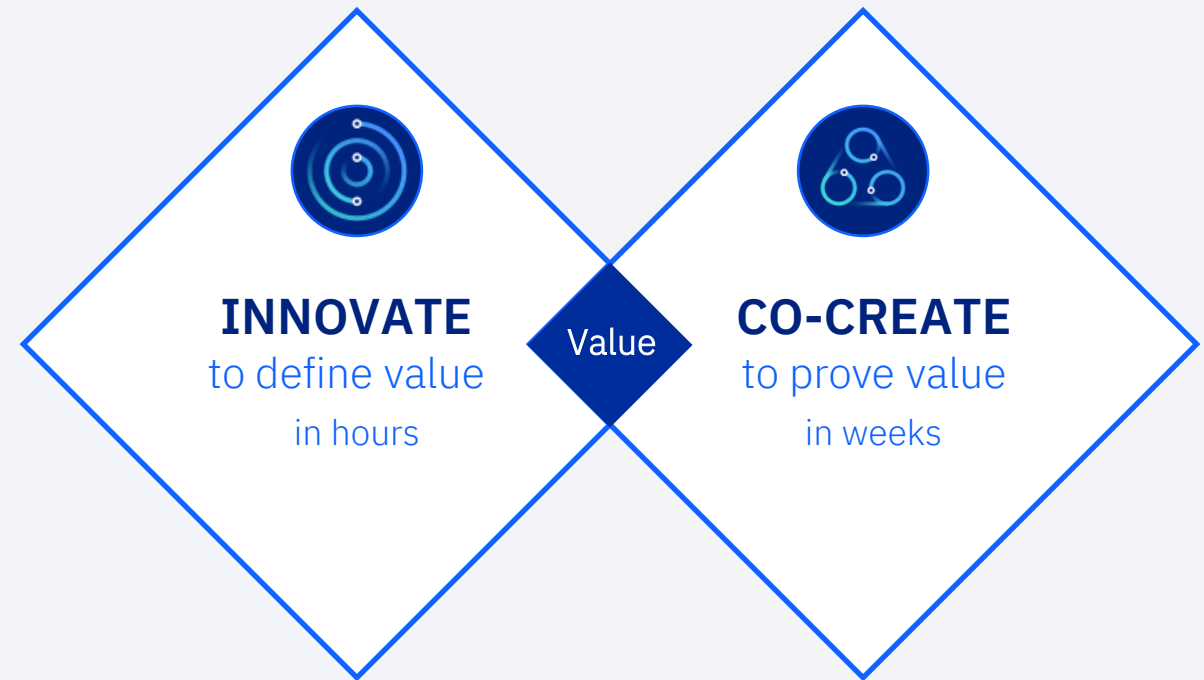
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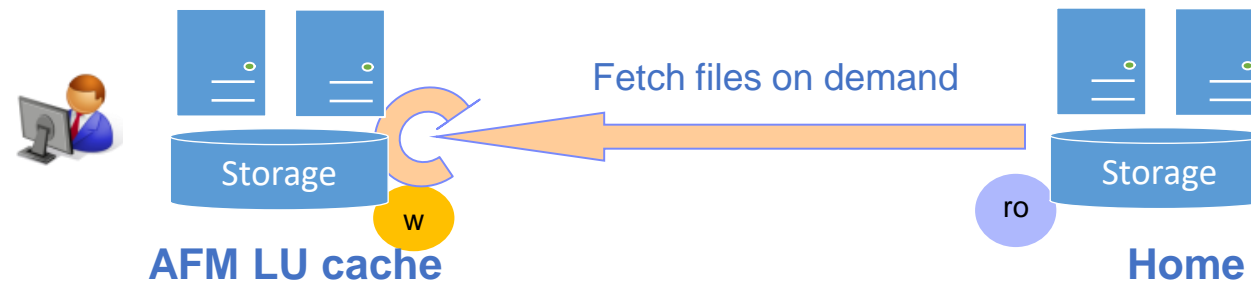
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Snapshots

- Snapshots preserve the content of a file system or independent fileset at a single point in time
 - Snapshots are space-efficient upon creation, only include block pointers
 - Snapshots are read-only
- Writeable snapshots allow reading and writing data from snapshots without changing the original files
- IBM Storage Scale can provide writeable snapshots by leveraging two techniques:
 - Snapshots
 - Active File Management Local update mode

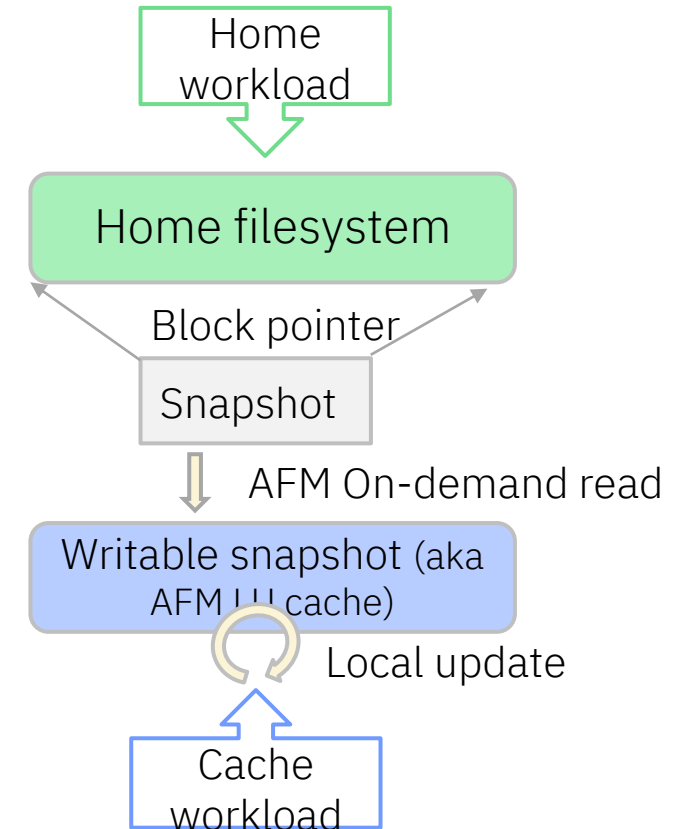
Storage Scale Active File Management LU Mode

- AFM is based on Home – Cache relation
 - Home stores the files,
 - Cache shows files available in home
 - AFM cache mounts home via NFS or GPFS (remote mount)
- After AFM cache fileset is created file metadata is visible in cache
- File data is copied (fetched) from home upon file access or prefetched
- Created, changed and deleted files on cache are not replicated to home



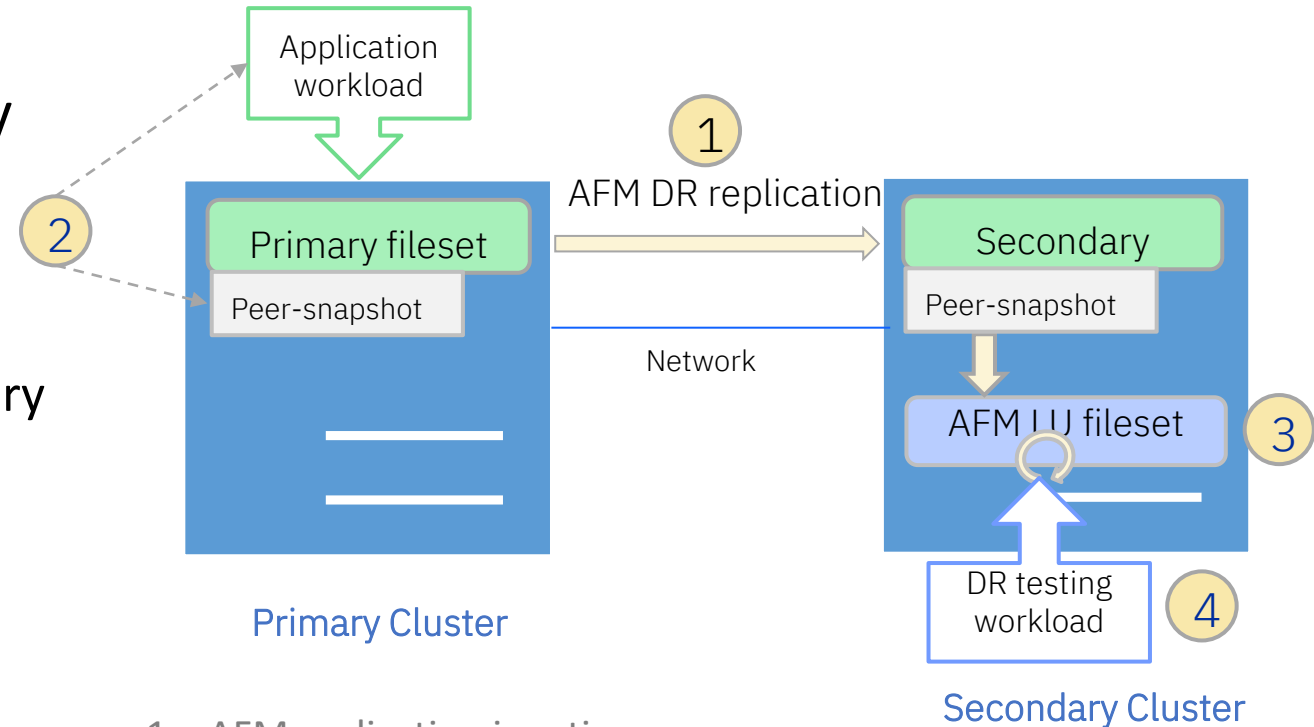
Writable snapshot with IBM Storage Scale

- Home workload uses home file system
 - Snapshot is created in home file system
- AFM LU cache mounts snapshot
 - Files in snapshot are visible in AFM LU fileset
 - Files are fetched from home snapshot to AFM LU fileset on access
 - Files created, changed or deleted in AFM LU fileset remain in AFM LU fileset → writable snapshot
- Cache workload uses AFM LU fileset
 - AFM LU fileset can be in the same home file system or in separate file system (recommended)
 - AFM LU fileset can be in the same home cluster or in a different cluster



Use case 1: AFM DR testing

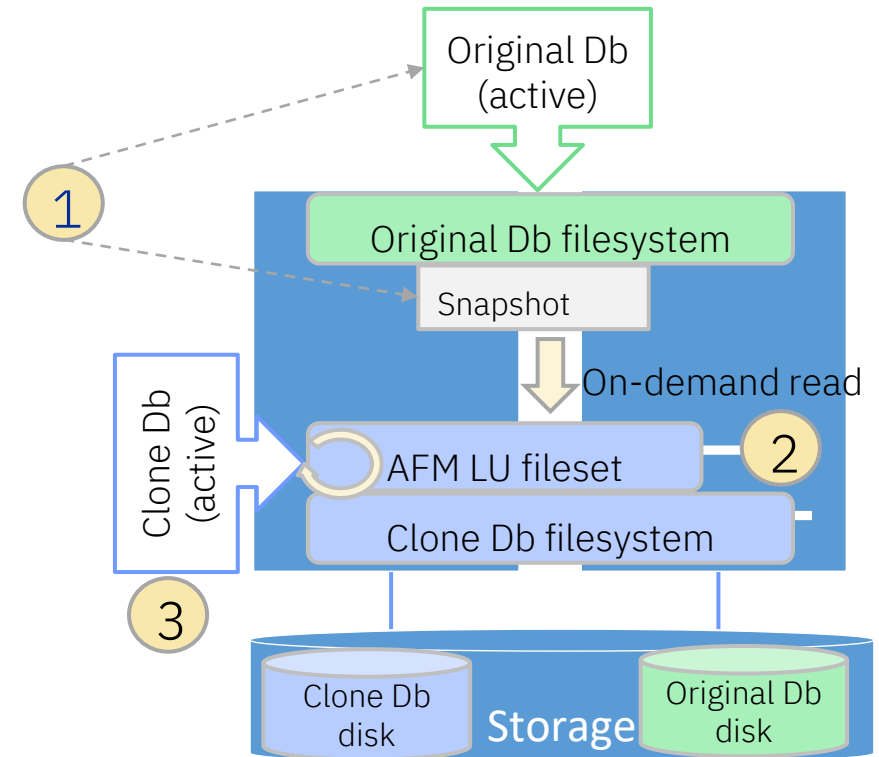
- AFM DR allows asynchronous replication from primary to secondary cluster for disaster recovery
- Writable snapshots can be used for DR testing:
 - Writable snapshot is created on secondary system based on peer snapshots
- Characteristics
 - No impact on primary system
 - No impact on data stored on primary or secondary AFM DR fileset
 - Peer snapshots allow application consistence



- 1 – AFM replication is active
- 2 – Create (consistent) peer snapshot on primary
- 3 – Create AFM LU fileset on secondary pointing to snapshot
- 4 – Execute DR testing

Use case 2: Database cloning

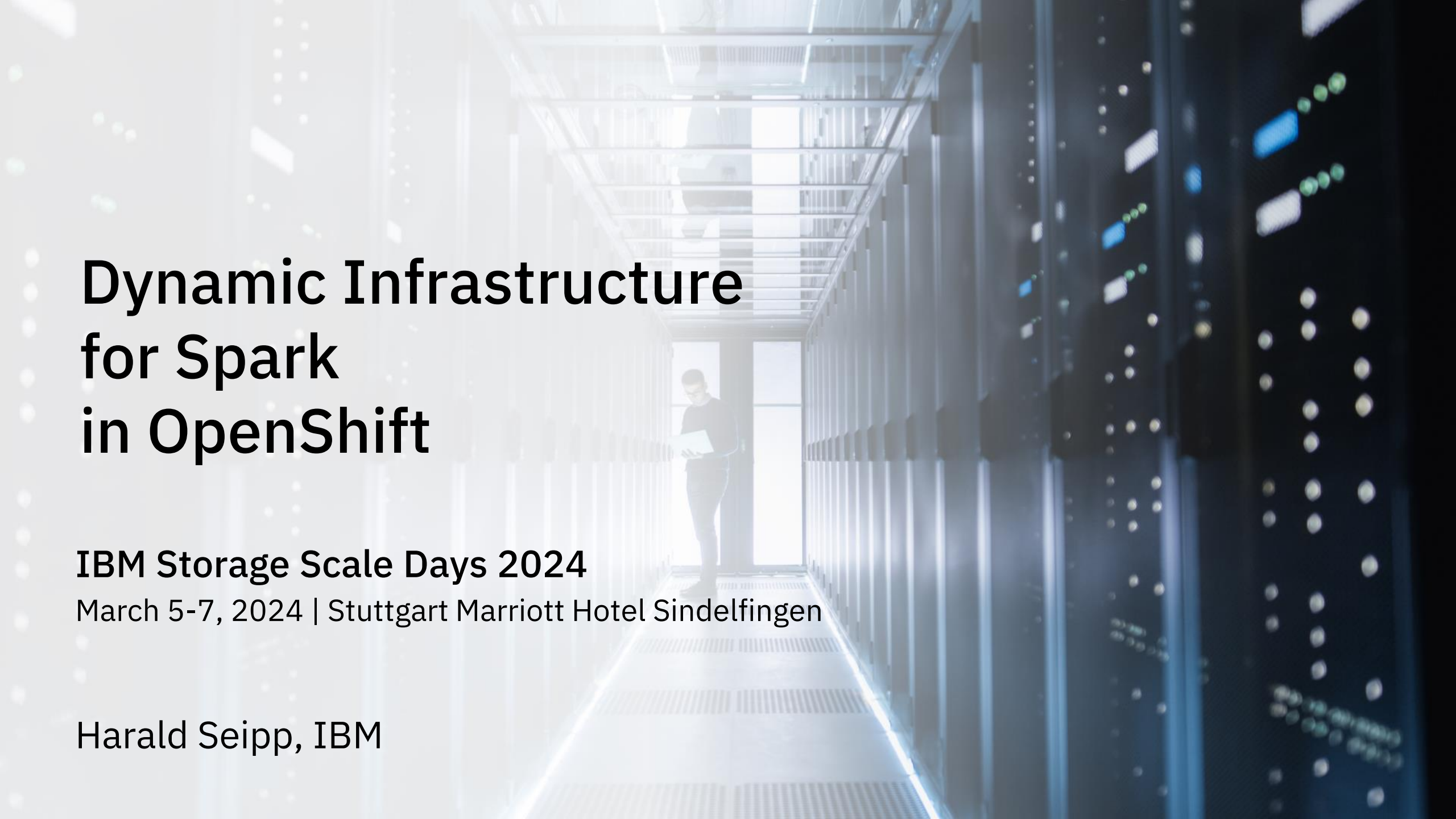
- Original Db can be cloned and used as clone Db
- Writable snapshot can be used by clone Db
 - In the same cluster or different cluster
 - Via remote NFS or GPFS mount
- Characteristics
 - No impact on data stored on original Db file system
 - Peer snapshots allow application consistence
 - Some impacts on original Db file system due to reads from snapshot



- 1 – Create (consistent) peer snapshot in original Db file system
- 2 – Create AFM LU fileset pointing to snapshot
- 3 – Use clone Db on writable snapshot

Considerations

- After creating snapshots in file system that is used by a database the file system workload increases temporarily
 - Database changes small blocks that must be copied on write
- Reading in AFM LU fileset increases workload in home file system containing the snapshot
 - As more data was read into LU fileset, workload in home file system decreases
- Resource consumption (CPU, memory) increases when reading from snapshot
- Snapshots consume capacity when data is changed in the original file system
 - In addition to this comes the capacity consumed in the AFM LU fileset due to new and changed files

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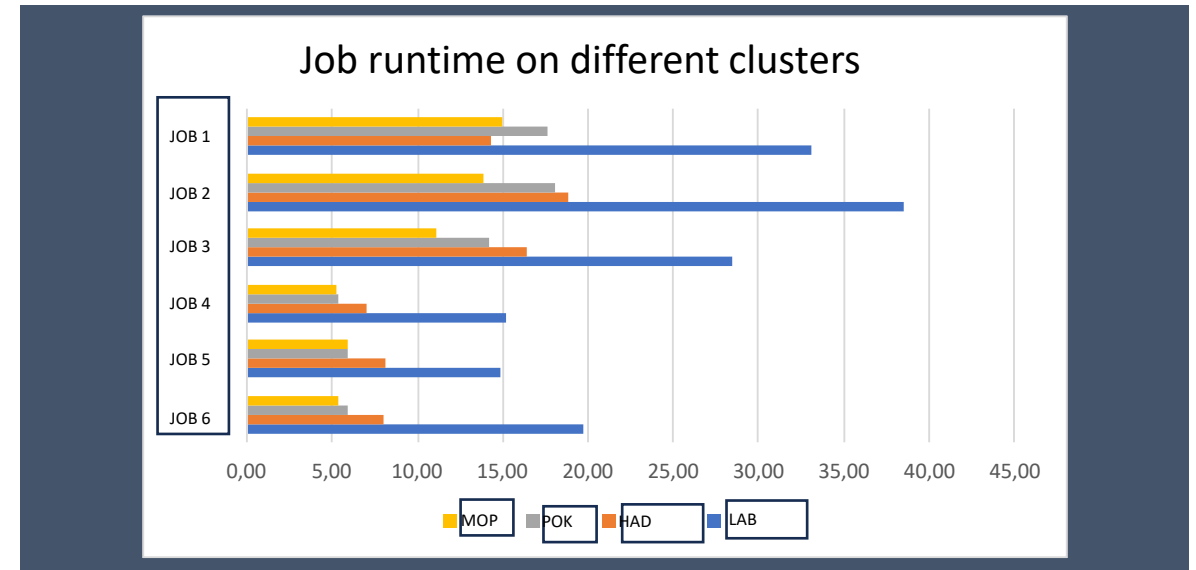
Key results & Learnings

Operation on OpenShift is feasible and can be realized with comparable hardware equipment as for legacy implementation.

Environments used

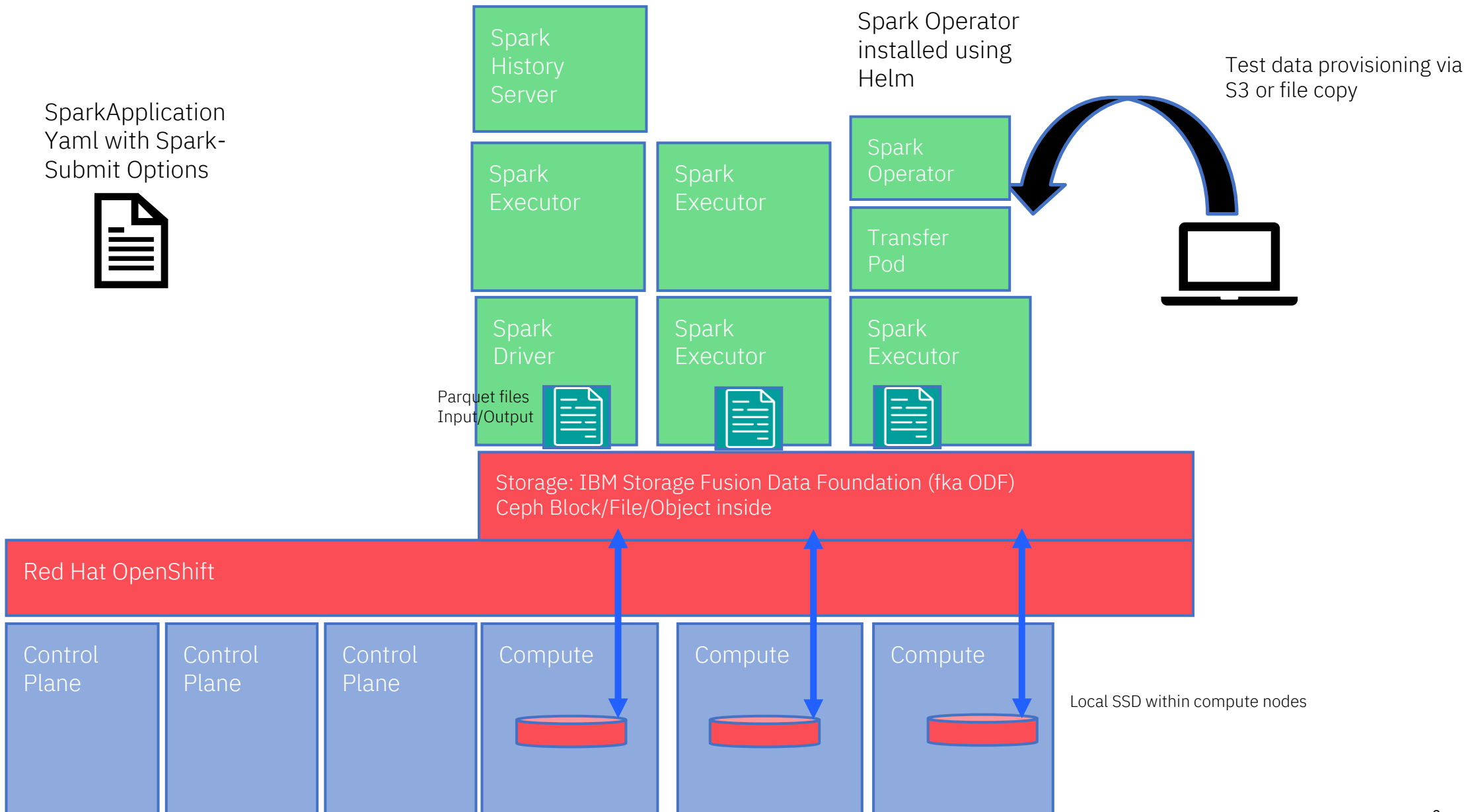
- OpenShift Lab Cluster (LAB) with Fusion Data Foundation (FDF)
Slow performance expected due to not fulfilling OCP/FDF minimum prereqs.
- Hadoop Dev Cluster (HAD)
Benchmark baseline for all job runs.
- OpenShift Cluster with IBM Storage Scale (POK), IBM Lab
Executed comparative measurements
- OpenShift Cluster (MOP) with FDF, IBM Lab
Comparative measurements

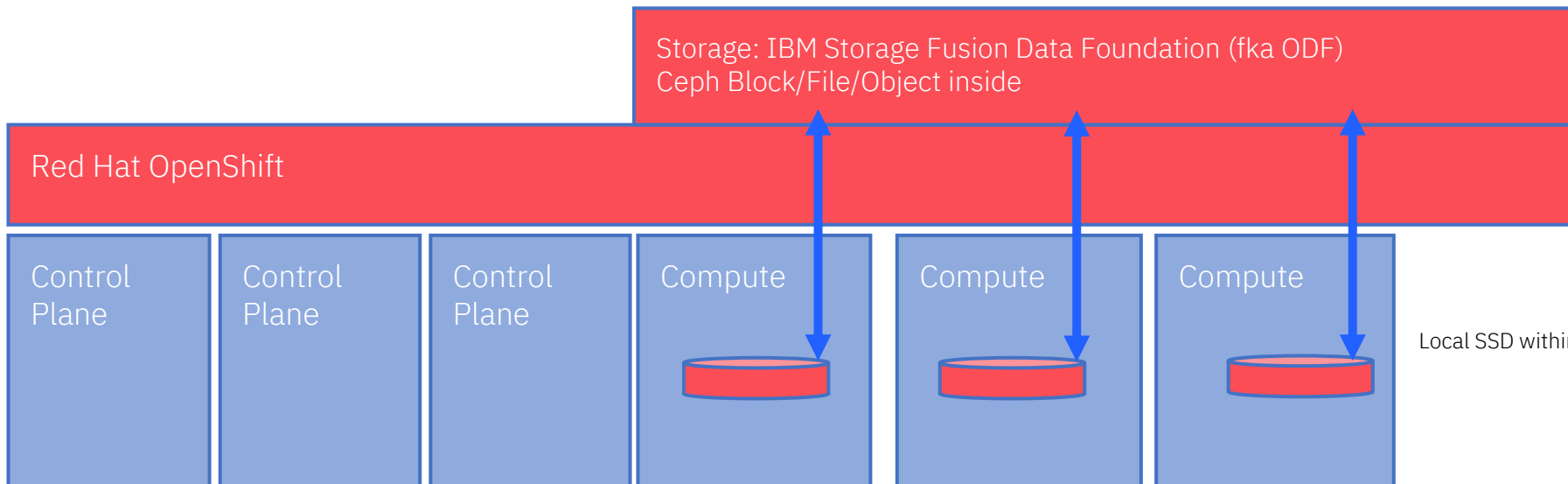
Runtime comparison




Learnings

- Migration of Spark Jobs could be performed without changing the software; only config changes required.
- FDF/CephFS with OpenShift is a working and performing alternative compared to HDFS with Hadoop.
- A performant network (10 Gbit) for the OCP Cluster is key for quick runtimes. With those, runtimes comparable to the Hadoop Cluster could be achieved.
- The new technology could be quickly adopted by the client team so that they could deploy it successfully during the MVP..

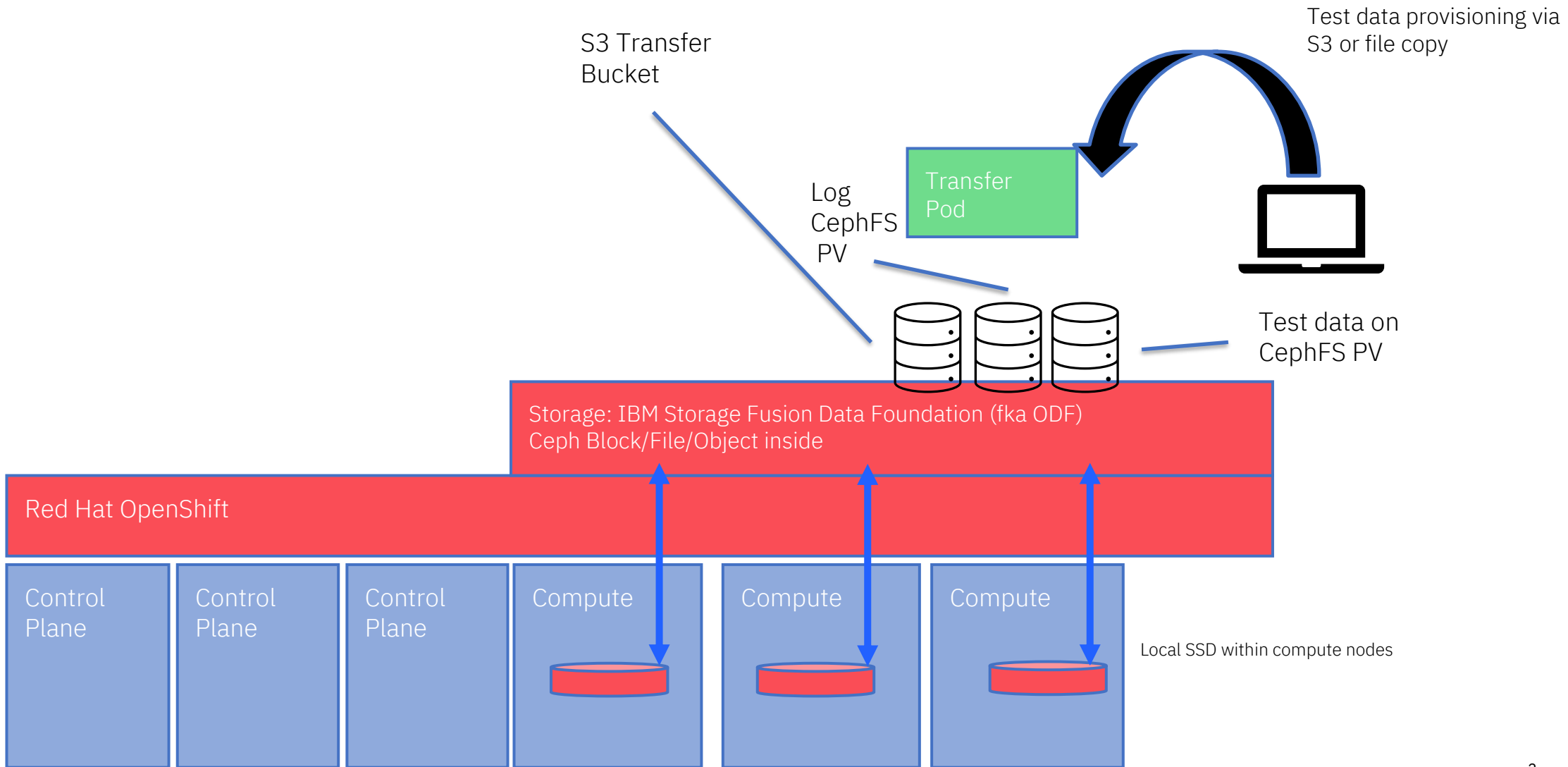


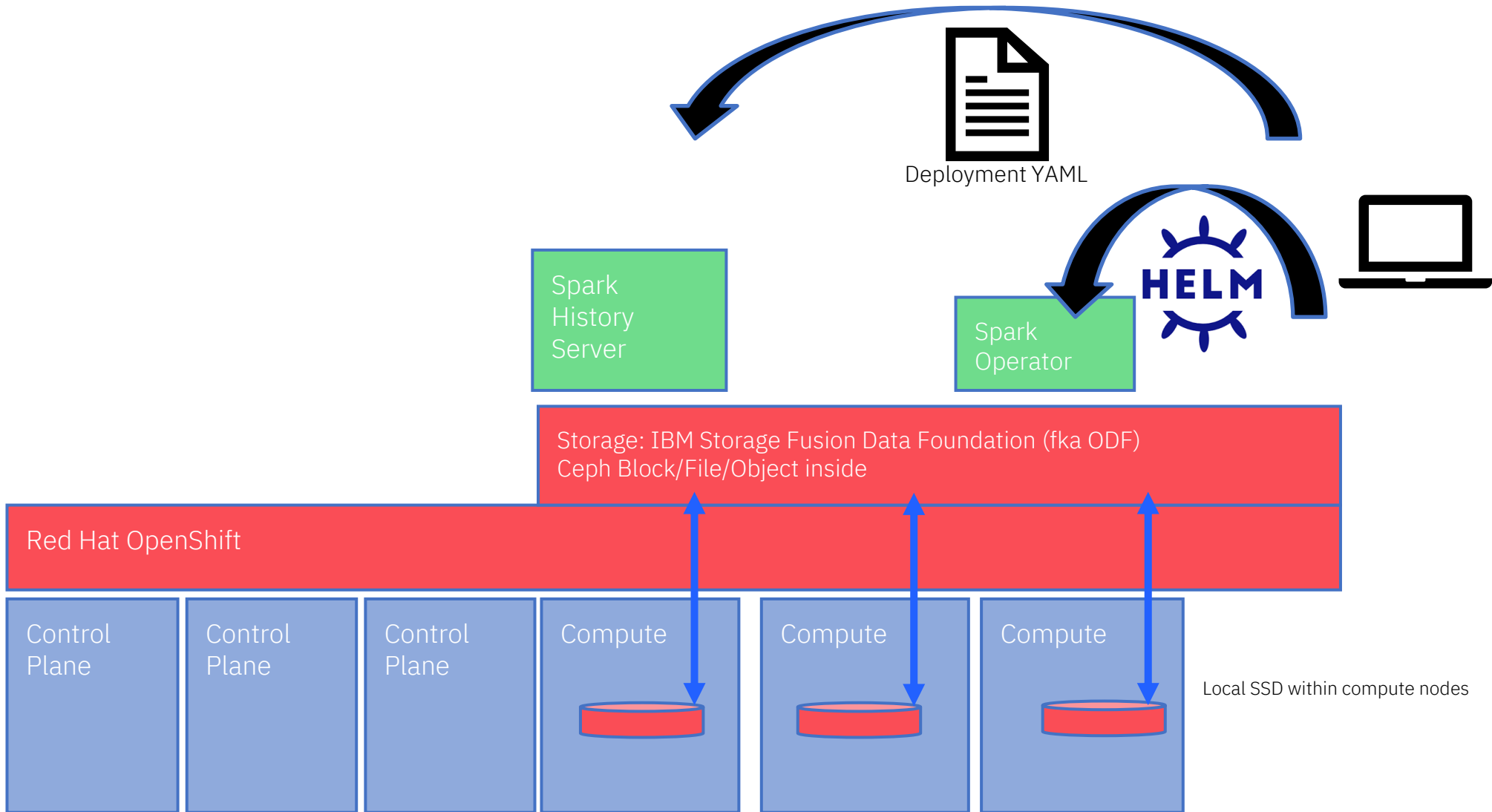


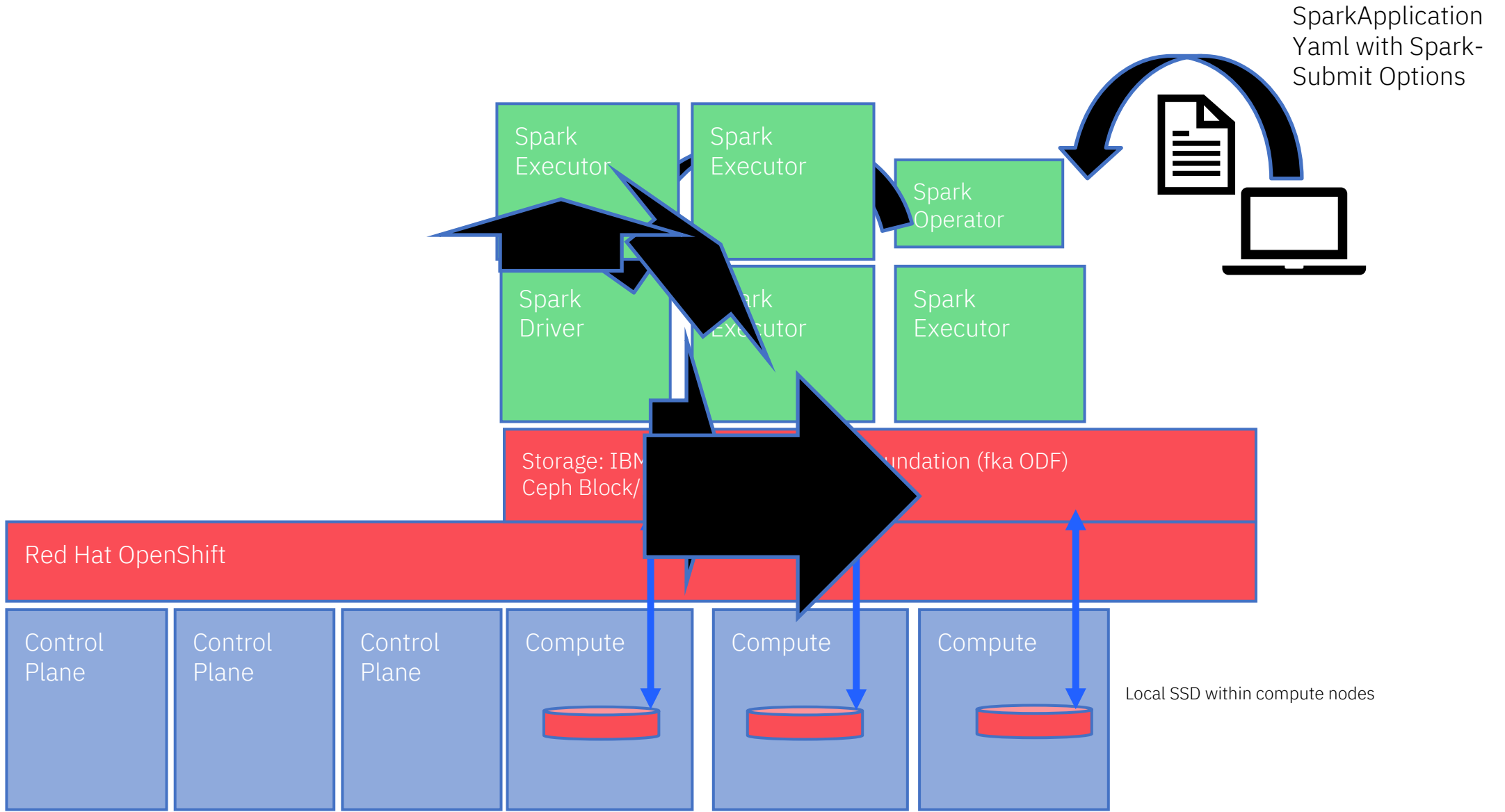
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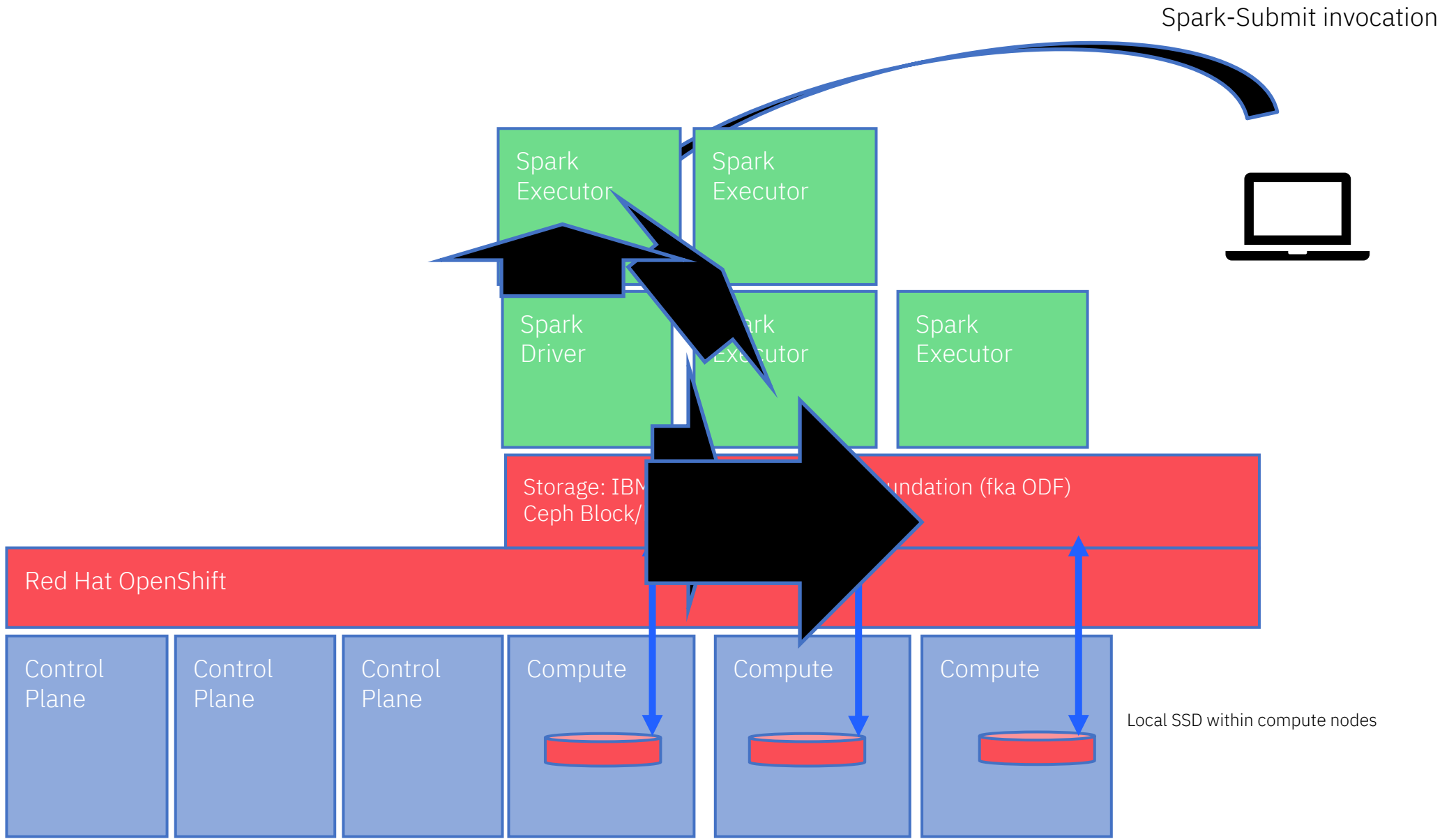
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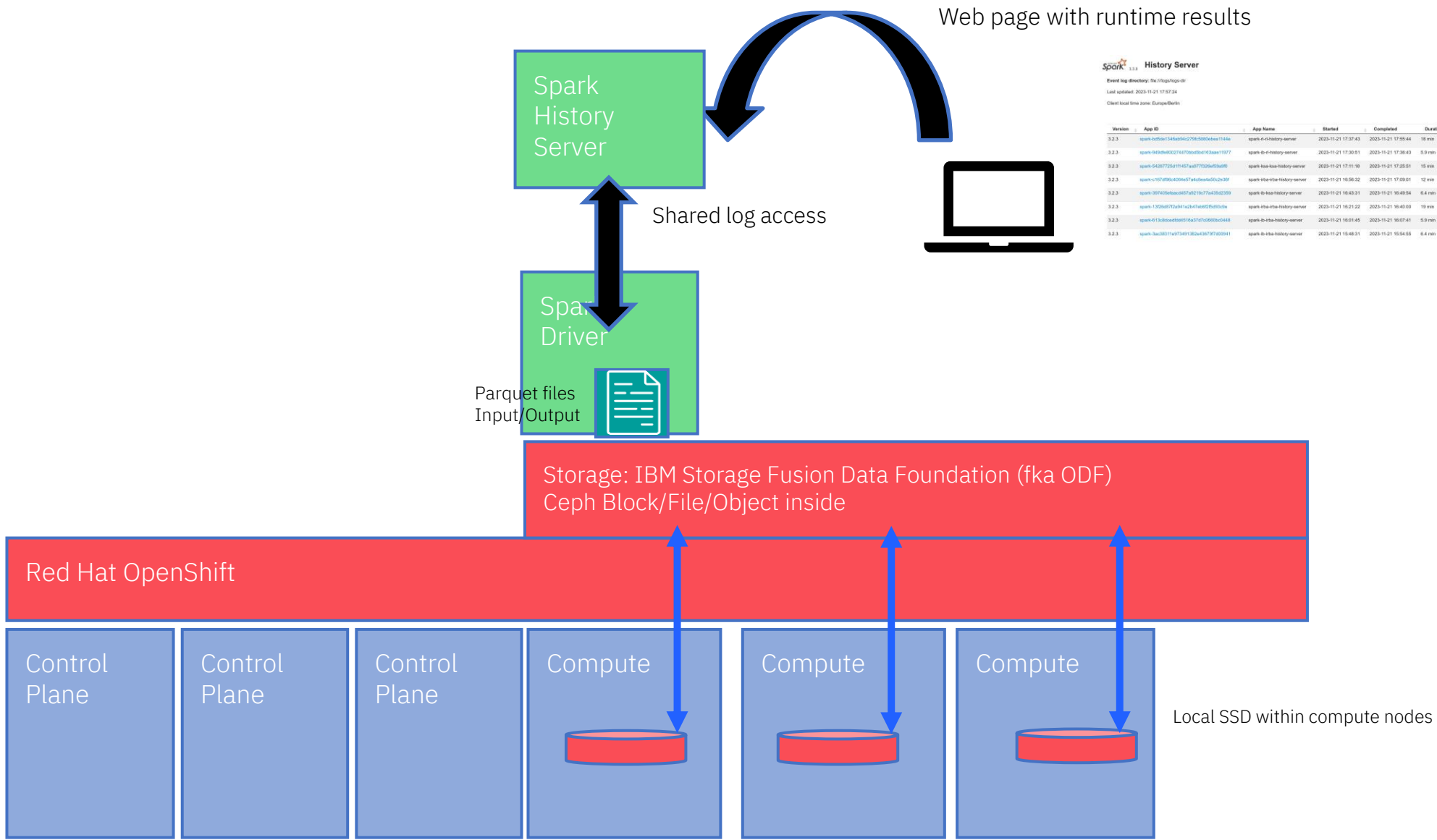
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Spark 3.3 History Server

Event log directory: file:///logs/ops-dr

Last updated: 2023-11-21 17:57:24

Client local time zone: Europe/Berlin

Version	App ID	App Name	Started	Completed	Duration	Spark User	Last Updated	Event Log
3.2.3	spark-4d5e1344a04c27615080e0ea1104a	spark-4-d-history-server	2023-11-21 17:37:43	2023-11-21 17:55:44	18 min	1000810000	2023-11-21 17:55:45	Download
3.2.3	spark-8484e022744150a0d0153aae11977	spark-6-r-history-server	2023-11-21 17:30:51	2023-11-21 17:36:43	5.9 min	1000810000	2023-11-21 17:36:43	Download
3.2.3	spark-942877261f1457a497702a6f0a46	spark-8-a-history-server	2023-11-21 17:11:18	2023-11-21 17:25:51	15 min	1000810000	2023-11-21 17:25:51	Download
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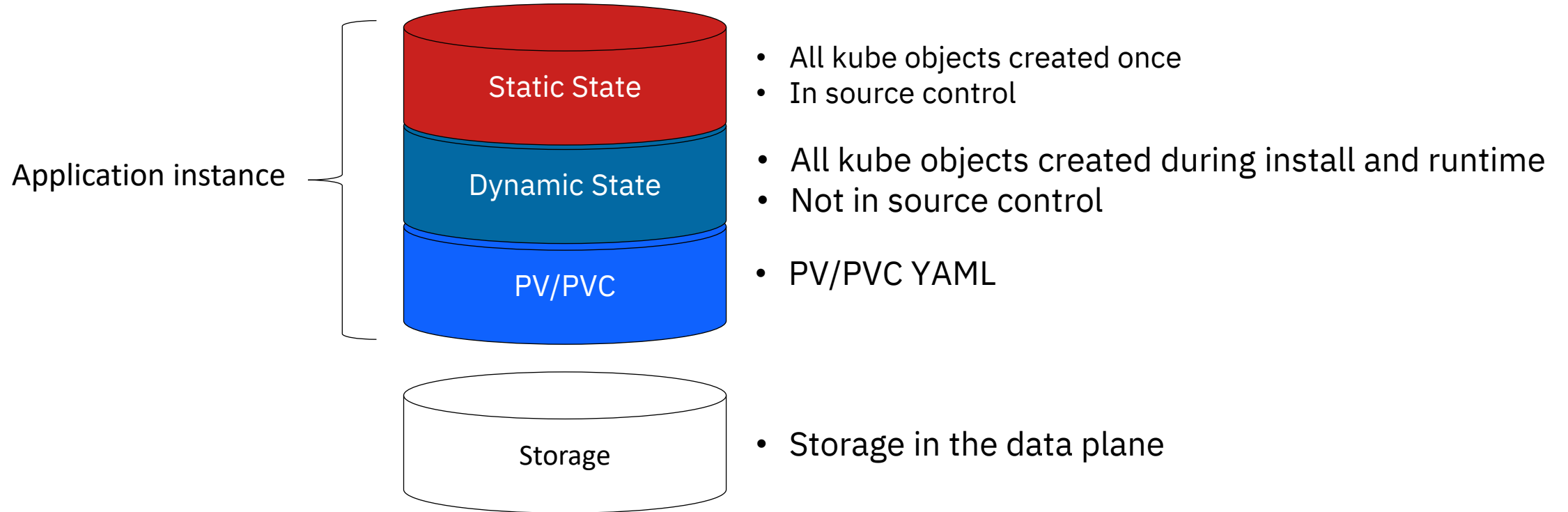
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Application Stack in OpenShift



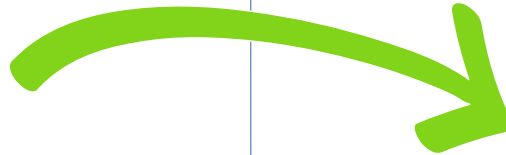
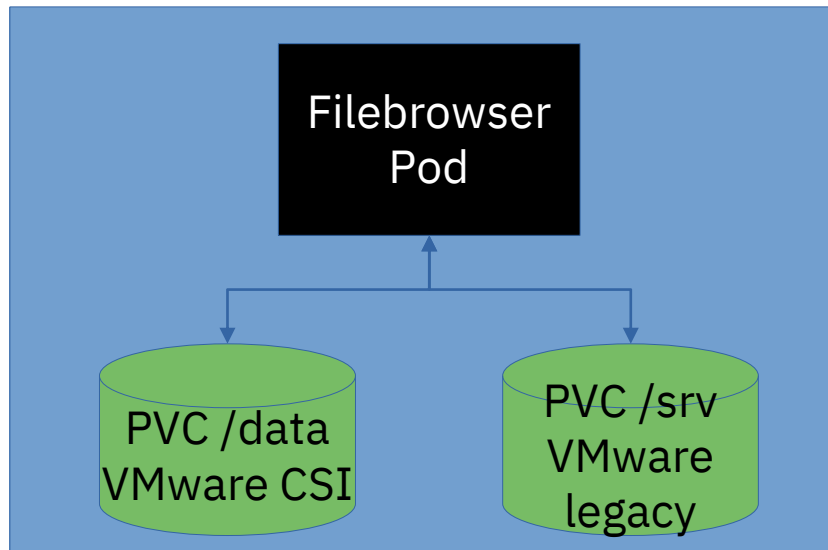
Data Migration Options

- MTC - Red Hat Migration Toolkit for Containers
 - https://docs.openshift.com/container-platform/4.14/migration_toolkit_for_containers/about-mtc.html
- Container based RSYNC
- Not covered here:
 - AFM - Storage Scale Active File Manager
 - <https://www.ibm.com/docs/en/sfhs/2.7.x?topic=data-active-file-management-afm-fileset-creation>
 - Fusion Data Foundation MCG - Multi-Cloud Object Gateway Services – Namespace buckets
 - <https://www.ibm.com/docs/en/storage-fusion-software/2.7.x?topic=resource-managing-namespace-buckets>
 - IBM Storage Fusion Backup and Restore
 - <https://www.ibm.com/docs/en/sfhs/2.7.x?topic=protection-backup-restore>
 - MTV – Red Hat Migration Toolkit for Virtualization
 - https://access.redhat.com/documentation/en-us/migration_toolkit_for_virtualization/2.5

MTC Migration

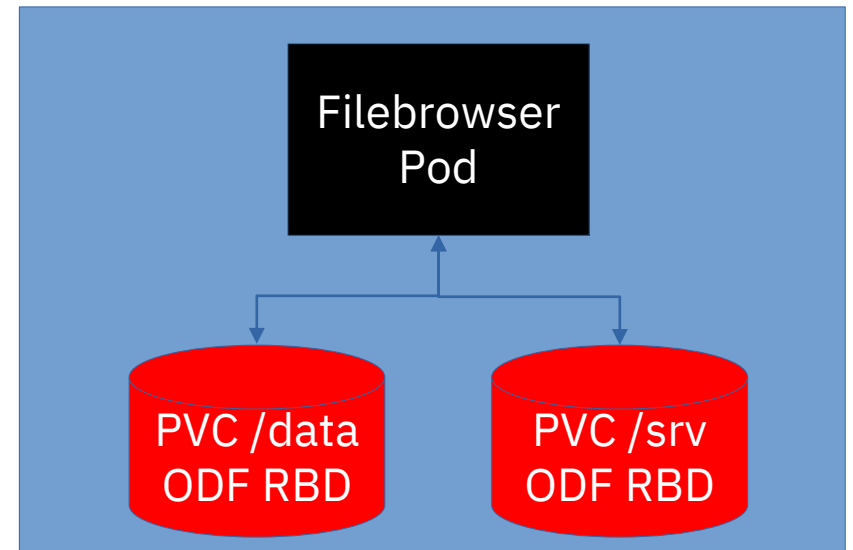
Before Migration

OpenShift, Filebrowser Namespace



After Migration

OpenShift, Filebrowser Namespace



You are logged in as a temporary administrative user. Update the [cluster OAuth configuration](#) to allow others to log in.

Project: All Projects ▾

AI/Machine Learning

Application Runtime

Automation

Big Data

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Database

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Development Tools

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Modernization & Migration

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OpenShift Optional

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Streaming & Messaging

Other

Q migration toolkit X



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Install

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The Migration Toolkit for Containers Operator enables installation of the application migration tool components.

Capability level

- Basic Install
- Seamless Upgrades
- Full Lifecycle
- Deep Insights
- Auto Pilot

After you have installed the Operator, you can install components by creating a MigrationController CR.

By default, the Operator installs the following components on an OpenShift Container Platform 4 target cluster:

- velero and restic, to back up data on the source cluster and restore it on the target cluster
- mig-controller, to coordinate the backup and restore processes
- mig-ui, the web console for managing migrations

Source

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Project: openshift-migration ▼

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MigrationControllers

Create MigrationController

No operands found

Operands are declarative components used to define the behavior of the application.

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MigrationControllers



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Connect Clusters via the Migration Toolkit for Containers

The screenshot displays the Migration Toolkit for Containers (MTC) web interface. The top navigation bar includes the MTC logo and the Red Hat logo. A left sidebar contains navigation links for Clusters, Replication repositories, Migration plans, and Hooks. The main content area is titled "Clusters" and features an "Add cluster" button. Below the button is a table listing two clusters, both with a status of "Connected".

Name	Location	MTC o...	Associ...	Status
host	https://api.ocp-120000pmky-9c9f.cloud.techzone.ibm.com:6443	1.7.9	0	Connected
target-wvyb	https://api.ocp-120000pmky-wvyb.cloud.techzone.ibm.com:6443	1.7.9	0	Connected

Create a Migration Plan

Create a migration plan

1 General

General
All fields are required.

Plan name *
cp4d-465-wvyb-to-9c9f

Migration type *
Full migration - migrate namespaces, persistent volumes (PVs) and Kubernetes resources

Source cluster *
host

Target cluster *
target-wvyb

Repository *
ibmcos-mtc-todd-repo

Next **Back** **Cancel**

1. Define Namespaces

1 General
2 Namespaces
3 Persistent volumes
4 Copy options
5 Migration options
6 Hooks

Namespaces

Select projects to be migrated.

Name cp4dinstance **Q**

Name cp4dinstance **X** **Clear all filters**

<input type="checkbox"/>	Source name	Pods	PV claims	Services	Target name
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	cp4dinstance	85	67	131	cp4dinstance

1 selected 1 - 1 of 1

Next **Back** **Cancel**

3. Define Copy Actions

1 General
2 Namespaces
3 Persistent volumes
4 Copy options
5 Migration options
6 Hooks

<input type="checkbox"/>	pvc-0da3fcc-2a0e-4c67-9d98-0814b4277bd5	manta-configuration-service-claim	cpd-storage	manta-configuration-service-claim	ocs-storagecluster-ceph-rbd.spenshift-storage.rbd.csi.ceph.com
<input type="checkbox"/>	pvc-0ef6bbda-1aea-4b2a-b7ca-9db0144ta568	data-aiopencale-ibm-aio-logs-zookeeper-1	cpd-storage	data-aiopencale-ibm-aio-logs-zookeeper-1	ocs-storagecluster-ceph-rbd.spenshift-storage.rbd.csi.ceph.com
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<input type="checkbox"/>	pvc-108365f2-6a72-4e77-8cd1-93c18912f64	0072-its-dedicatedservices-pvc	cpd-storage	0072-its-dedicatedservices-pvc	ocs-storagecluster-cephfs.openshift-storage.cephfs.csi.ceph.com

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2. Select Volumes

1 General
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Persistent volumes

Choose to move or copy persistent volumes associated with selected namespaces.

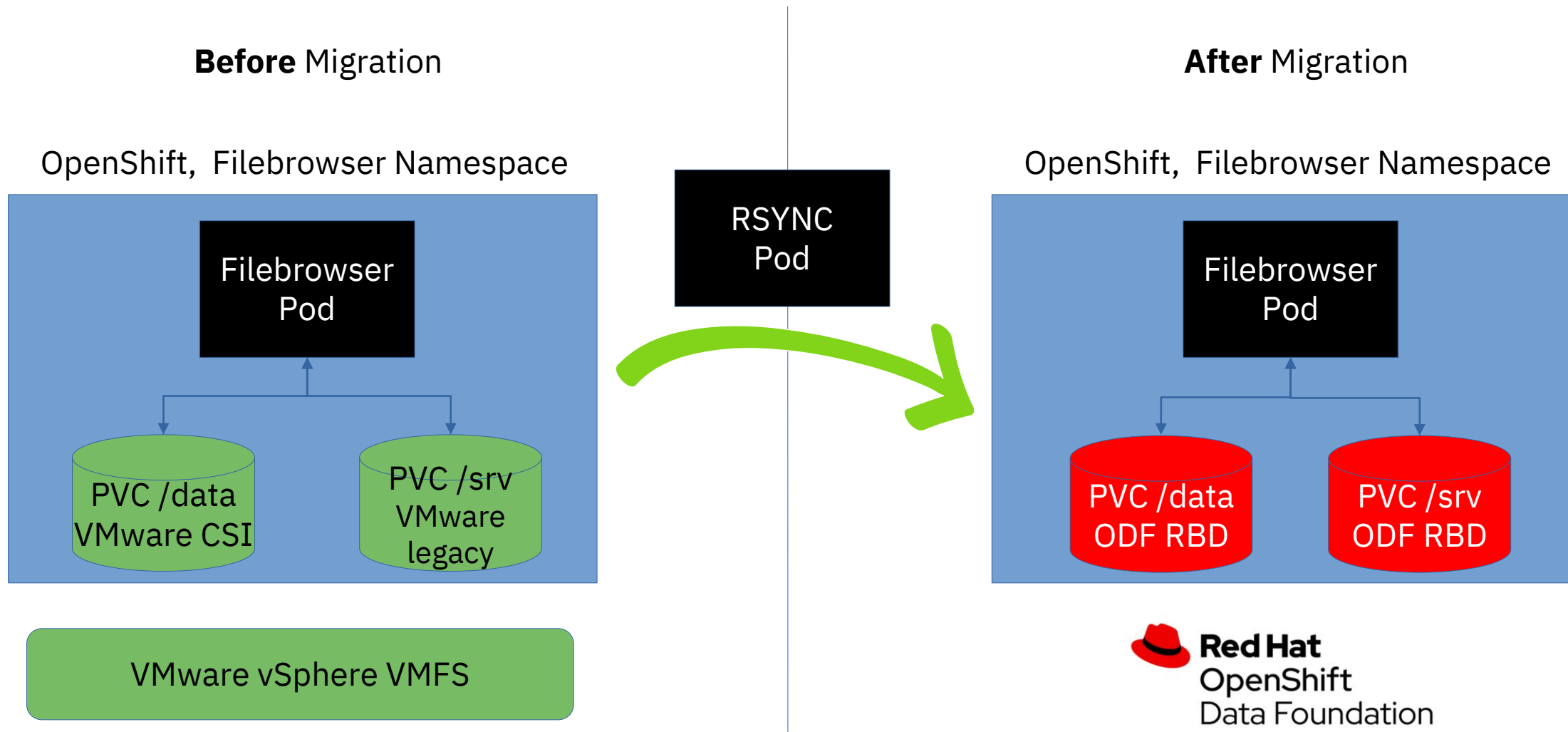
PV name **Filter by PV name...** **Q**

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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	PV name	Claim	Namespace	Storage class	Size	PV migration type	Details
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	pvc-087ba103-a71f-4b52-9dd8-8019aa594c3f	zookeeper-data-zookeeper-0	cp4dinstance	cpd-storage	5Gi	Filesystem copy	View JSON
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	pvc-0da3fcc-2a0e-4c67-9d98-0814b4277bd5	manta-configuration-service-claim	cp4dinstance	cpd-storage	1Gi	Filesystem copy	View JSON
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RSYNC Migration – when MTC is not available*



* MTC is only available on x86

RSYNC Migration – Steps

Get Current PVC

```
$ oc get pvc
```

NAME	CAPACITY	ACCESS MODES	STATUS	VOLUME	AGE
filebrowser-storage		nfs-client	Bound	pvc-1a53de42-7dae-4713-8820-30cd7dcec2a0	1Gi
				27d	

Create the target PVC (simple RWX PVC using Scale StorageClass)

```
$ oc apply -f datacopy-target-pvc.yaml
```

Start the deployment of the "copy container" (see →)

```
$ oc apply -f datacopy-deployment.yaml
```

Using that container, we can perform the rsync operation to copy the data

```
$ oc exec -it $(oc get pods -l app=datacopy -o name) \
-- rsync -av /mnt/src/ /mnt/tgt/
```

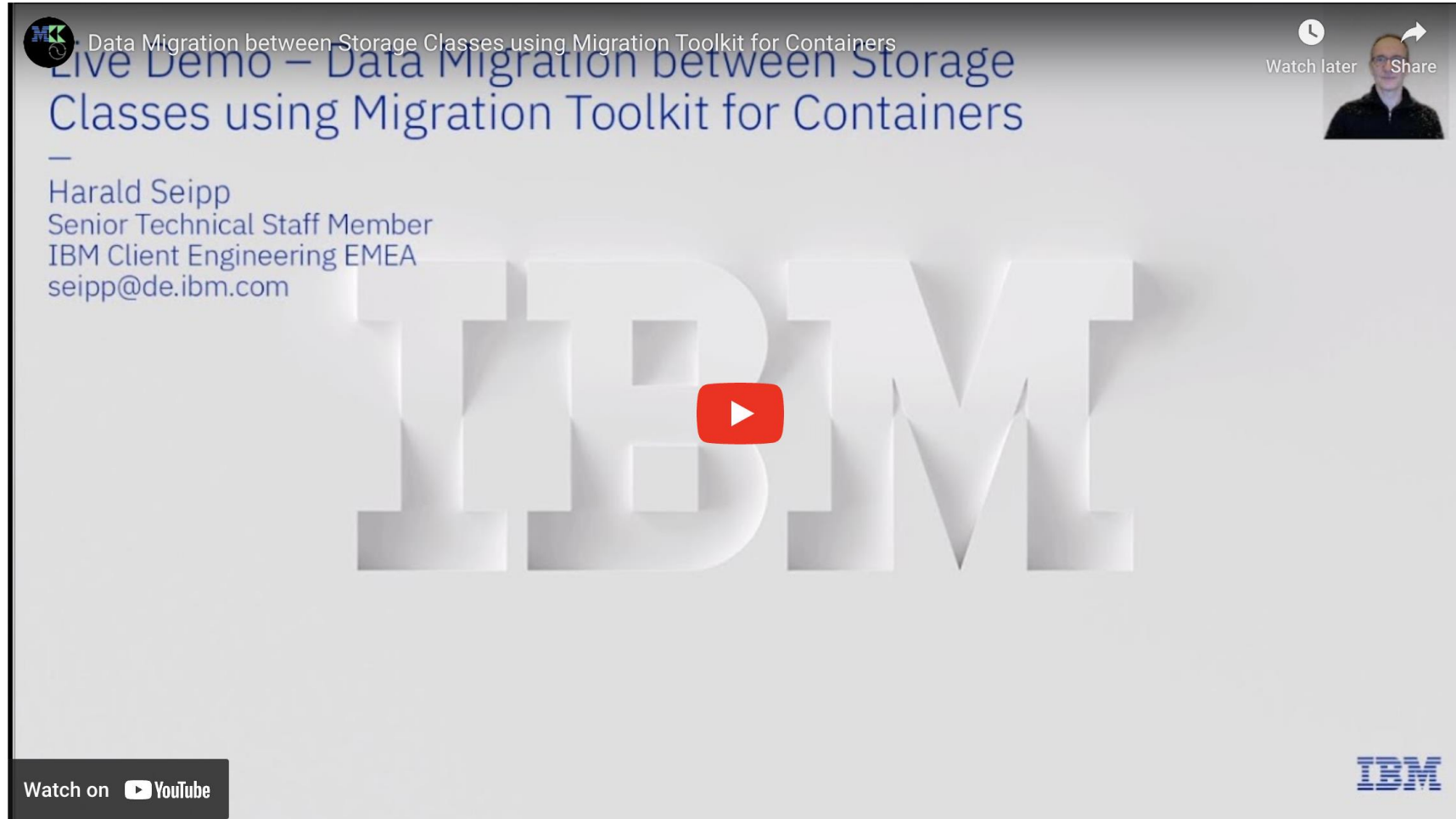
Patch the deployment to use the target volume

```
$ oc patch deployment filebrowser -p '{"spec":\
{"template": {"spec": {"volumes": [{"name":\
"filebrowser-storage", "persistentVolumeClaim":\
{"claimName": "filebrowser-storage-target"}]}}}}'
```

```
apiVersion: apps/v1
kind: Deployment
metadata:
  name: datacopy
spec:
  selector:
    matchLabels:
      app: datacopy
  replicas: 1
  template:
    metadata:
      labels:
        app: datacopy
    spec:
      volumes:
        - name: source
          persistentVolumeClaim:
            claimName: filebrowser-storage
        - name: target
          persistentVolumeClaim:
            claimName: filebrowser-storage-target
  target
  containers:
    - name: datacopy
  image: registry.redhat.io/rhmtc/openshift-
migration-rsync-transfer-
rhel8@sha256:4376360c9c5d9106dd690d4a0cdda9a095
eb868c92fa21d7e70a56fd6a353bba
  command: [ "/bin/sh", "-c", "--" ]
  args: [ "while true; do sleep 30;
done;" ]
  securityContext:
    allowPrivilegeEscalation: false
    runAsUser: null
    capabilities:
      drop:
        - ALL
    runAsNonRoot: true
    seccompProfile:
      type: RuntimeDefault
  volumeMounts:
    - name: source
      mountPath: /mnt/src
    - name: target
      mountPath: /mnt/tgt
```

Migrate existing Storage Classes to OpenShift Data Foundation

<https://community.ibm.com/community/user/blogs/harald-seipp/2023/01/12/datamigration2odf>



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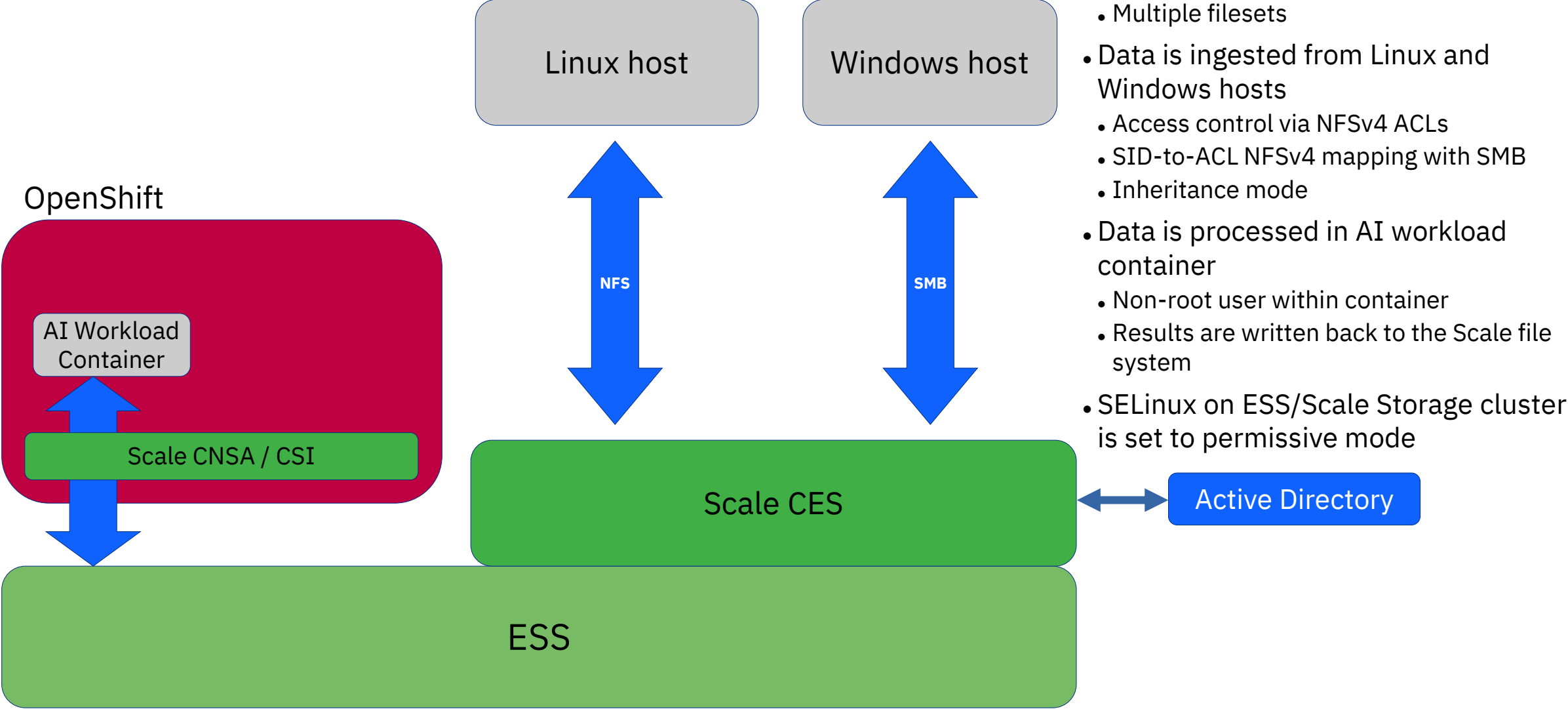
Multi-protocol data access in OpenShift

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Overview Diagram



- CES exported SMB+NFS
 - Multiple filesets
- Data is ingested from Linux and Windows hosts
 - Access control via NFSv4 ACLs
 - SID-to-ACL NFSv4 mapping with SMB
 - Inheritance mode
- Data is processed in AI workload container
 - Non-root user within container
 - Results are written back to the Scale file system
- SELinux on ESS/Scale Storage cluster is set to permissive mode

Problem Statement

- Define best practice / guidance for container application data access to Storage Scale filesets that contain data ingested by NFS and SMB and are access-controlled through NFSv4 ACL
 - Security / access control is supposed to be as strict as possible
 - Setting an ACL to everyone:write (proven to be working) is not an option
 - The container application must not invalidate the ACLs
 - AD managed using Microsoft Windows is the imperative
- There is no prior art for the given problem, at least not discoverable on the Internet
- The kubelet is not aware of NFSv4 ACL

Assumptions

- IBM Storage Scale CNSA 5.1.7+ and IBM Storage Scale CSI 2.9+ are used
 - SELinux issues do no longer apply as the file system is mounted with a container permissive SELinux context with the mount context of the file system set to system_u:object_r:container_file_t:s0 ([Documentation](#))
- PVs are provisioned statically to allow access to existing NFS and SMB filesets

Initial attempt on recommendations

- Add access for a specific (service) GID to the ACLs
- Add the `fsGroup` Parameter with the service GID to the accessing Pod ([Reference](#))
- Ensure that the container process(es) are members of the service GID group
- Double-check that the container UID dynamically created by OCP does not overlap with the AD UID range
 - If an overlap is detected, modify the OCP namespace `UidRange` settings ([Reference](#))

Why initial recommendations did not work

- fsGroup doesn't work with statically provisioned PVs
- fsGroup can cause file system tree ownership recursive change (chown)
 - might destroy NFSv4 ACLs
 - fsGroupChangePolicy can reduce the impact, but does not help when ownership change further down the tree is required

Solution

- Add access for a specific (service) GID to the ACLs for the given filesets
- Use the `runAsGroup` parameter for the Pods to ensure that the service GID is the primary group ([Documentation](#))
- Ensure that the `uid:gid` for the process inside the container is not messing with the imperative OCP `uid:gid` handling
 - Simplest solution: use `uid:gid` of `root:root` for the container process
 - This is not a security issue, OCP will enforce non-root container context
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 - If an overlap is detected, modify the OCP namespace `UidRange` settings ([Reference](#))

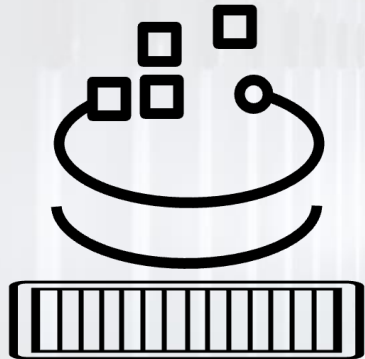
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