An introduction to cluster schedulers

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Lessons learned

2006-2008 Law Offices - service availability 2009-2012 CSU San Bernardino - automation 2013-2014 DreamWorks Animation - schedulers 2015+ The Walt Disney Company - simplicity

Service discovery

- Easy to query
- Service information
- Consistent

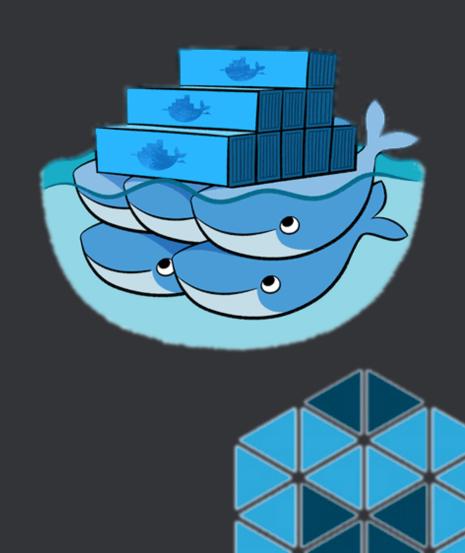
Distributed key value

- configuration data
- triggers
- externalize environment from services/code
- sourced from a repo

Cluster schedulers

- Pool resources
- Service supervision
- Scaling functionality
- State information

Cluster schedulers



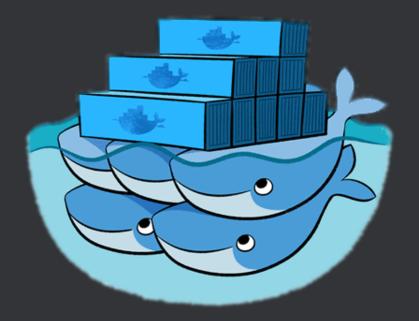






Docker Swarm

- Simple setup
- Native Docker API
- Can run on other schedulers (e.g. Mesos)
- Tooling compatibility



Amazon ECS

- Runs on AWS
- Docker only
- Open source agent, not server
- Simple to get started



Google Kubernetes

- kubelet, kube-proxy, etcd, api server, scheduler, repl-controller
- Borg successor
- Has the notion of "pods"
- Very active community



Apache Mesos + Mesosphere Marathon

- Zookeeper, Leader and Client, Marathon leader
- Multiple frameworks can be deployed on Mesos
- Two-level scheduling



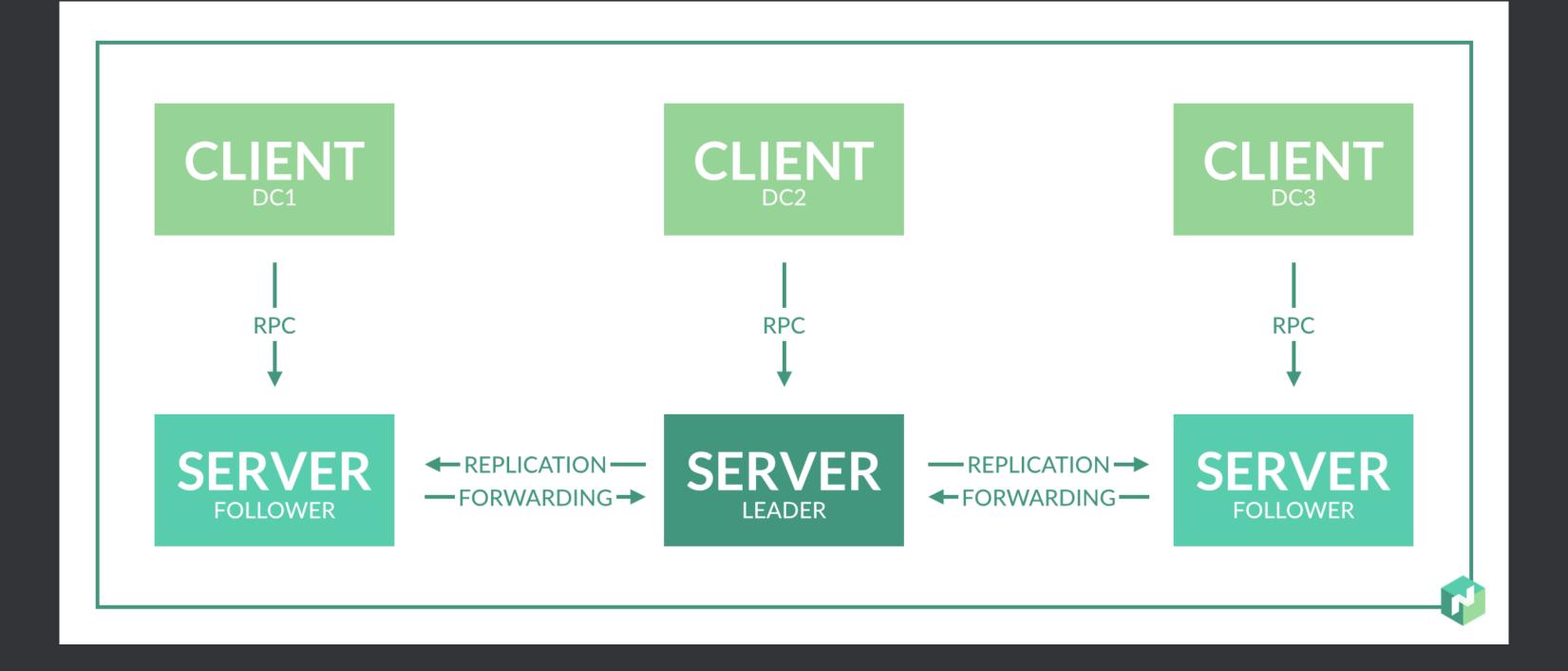


Hashicorp Nomad

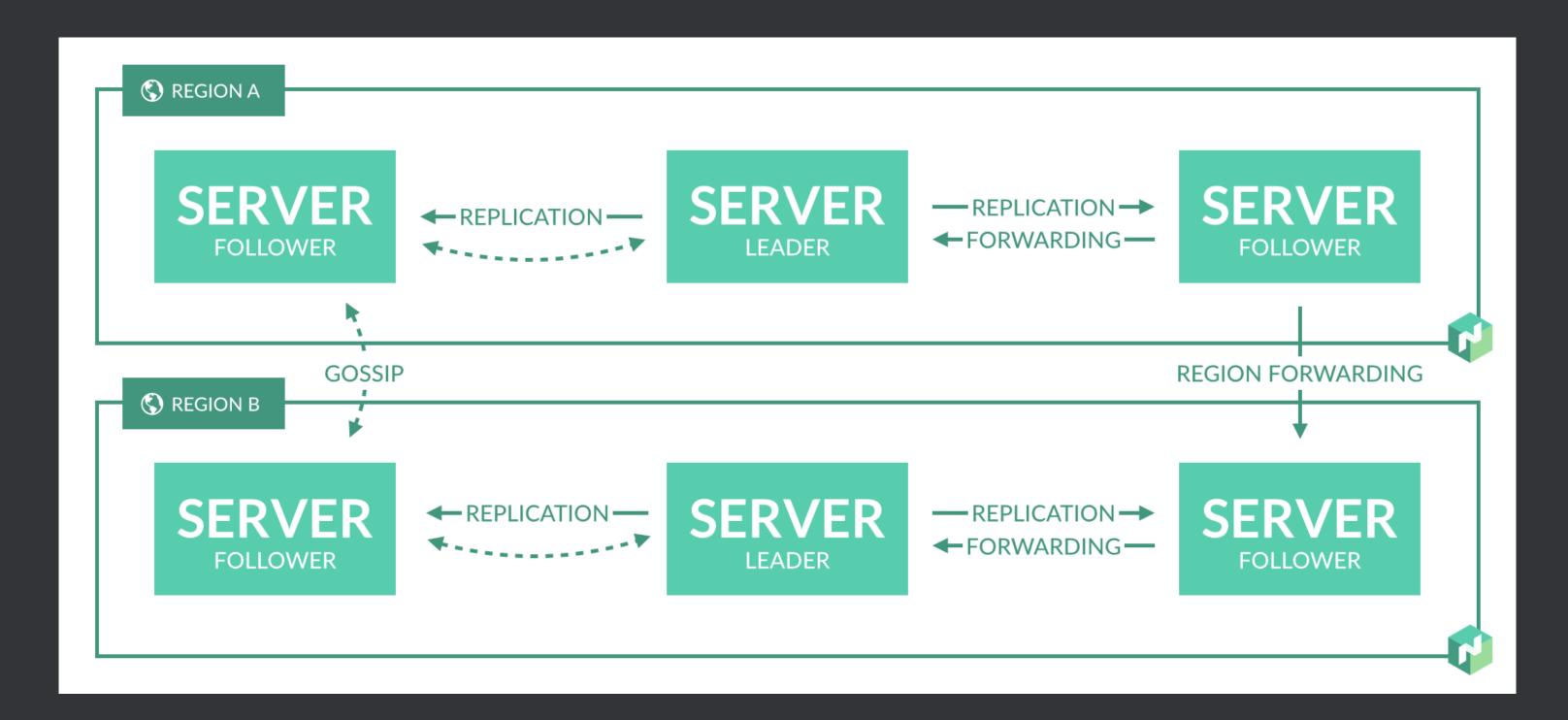
- Single binary for client and server
- More than just Docker
- Nomad is distributed, highly available and operationally simple
- Integrates well with Consul



Nomad Architecture [Region]



Nomad Architecture [Global]



Nomad Components

- Server
- Agent
- Job
- Task

Nomad + Consul

- Native support
- Nomad services -> Consul services (+ health checks)
- Simple

Using Nomad

- Deploying services
- Scaling services
- Rolling updates
- Integrating with Consul
- Load balancing deployed services

Job definition

```
job "microbot" {
 region = "global"
datacenters = ["prod-east1", "prod-west1"]
 group "demo-stack" {
   task "microbot" {
     driver = "docker"
   task "microbot-db" {
     driver = "docker"
```

Nomad 5

- Operationally simple
- Distributed and highly available
- Open source
- Multi datacenter/region

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