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# Automate your entire Kubernetes cluster with Amazon EKS Auto Mode

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# Agenda

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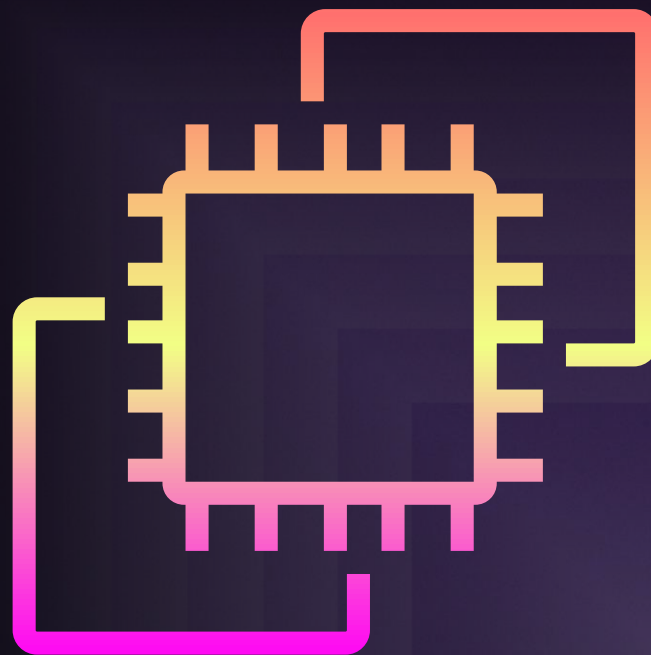
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# The Cloud, Kubernetes, and Amazon EKS





# Enter Kubernetes



84%

existing in production  
or evaluating

# Why Kubernetes?

Simplicity



195 CNCF projects

Consistency



100s of compatible tools

Extensibility



Unlimited customization





Amazon EKS



The most trusted and secure way to run Kubernetes



Enables you to build reliable, stable, and secure applications in any environment



Fully upstream and certified conformant Kubernetes

# 7 years of managed Kubernetes on AWS

2018

2019

2020

2021

2022

2023

2024

EKS Generally Available

Managed Cluster Version Updates

GPU Support

HIPAA eligible

ISO, PCI, and SOC Compliance

Expansion to 15 AWS regions

CSI drivers for EBS, EFS, FSx for Lustre

Pod security policies

Managed Node Groups

EKS Fargate

EKS on AWS Outposts

Price reduced to \$0.10 per hour

Secrets Encryption

SLA raised to 99.95%

EKS CIS Benchmark

ACK Project

Load balancer controller

EKS on AWS Local zones

K8s Resources in EKS console

EKS Add-ons

OIDC access authentication

Karpenter project

Cluster creation reduced by 40%

Control plane scaling

EKS Anywhere GA

EKS Connector

FedRamp High Compliance

EFA, P4d instance support

IPv6 clusters available

PrivateLink support

Local clusters on Outposts

Trainium instances  
Add-ons from AWS marketplace

Nitro enclaves

Launch time reductions

Expansion to 32 AWS regions

Kubernetes Network Policy enforcement

Upgrade Insights

Extended version support

Version launch acceleration

Pod Identity

S3 Mountpoints  
CSI Driver

Amazon Linux 2023

Automatic Version Upgrades

Zonal Shift

Full IPv6 support

Multi-cluster dashboard

Auto Mode

Hybrid Nodes

Node health & auto-repair





AMAZON EKS

Runs tens  
of millions  
of clusters every year

# Deploying and operating Kubernetes applications

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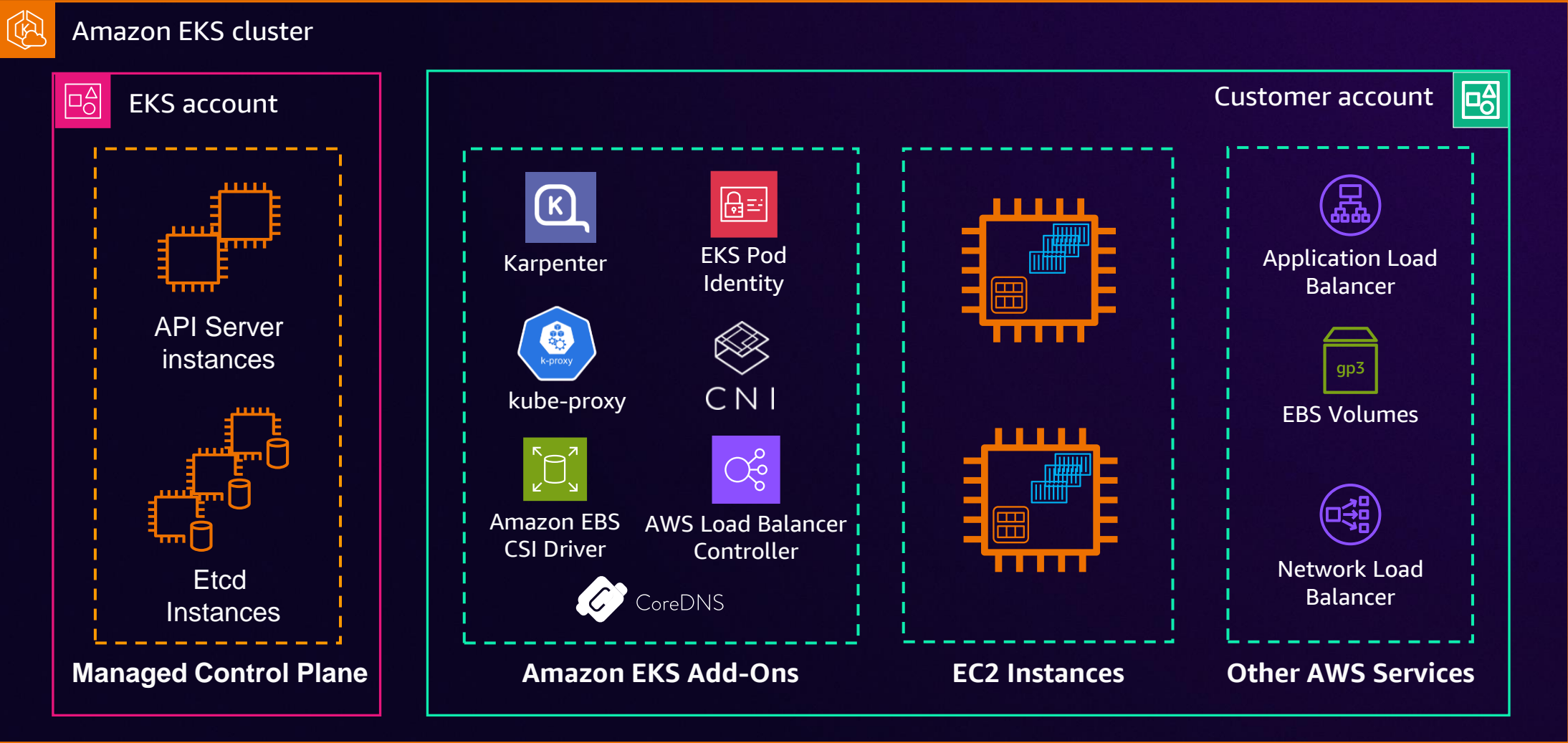


Monitor, repair,  
and upgrade



Analyze and  
optimize

# Amazon EKS cluster architecture





INTRODUCING AMAZON EKS

# Auto Mode

Automate your entire Kubernetes cluster infrastructure



Application-ready clusters, with essential Kubernetes capabilities

Dynamic compute scaling, AWS-managed instances, secure and healthy by default

Automatic compute optimization, simplified cluster upgrades

WHAT IS AMAZON EKS

Auto Mode



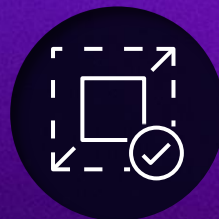
## WHY AMAZON EKS Auto Mode



Accelerate innovation by offloading cluster operations to AWS



Improve performance, availability, and security of your applications with AWS operational excellence



Optimize compute costs with automatic capacity planning, maintenance and dynamic scaling

Create Cluster



Includes core capabilities for production-ready clusters



Automatically provisions cluster infrastructure



WITH AMAZON EKS  
Auto Mode

Automatically monitors / repairs nodes and updates core cluster capabilities



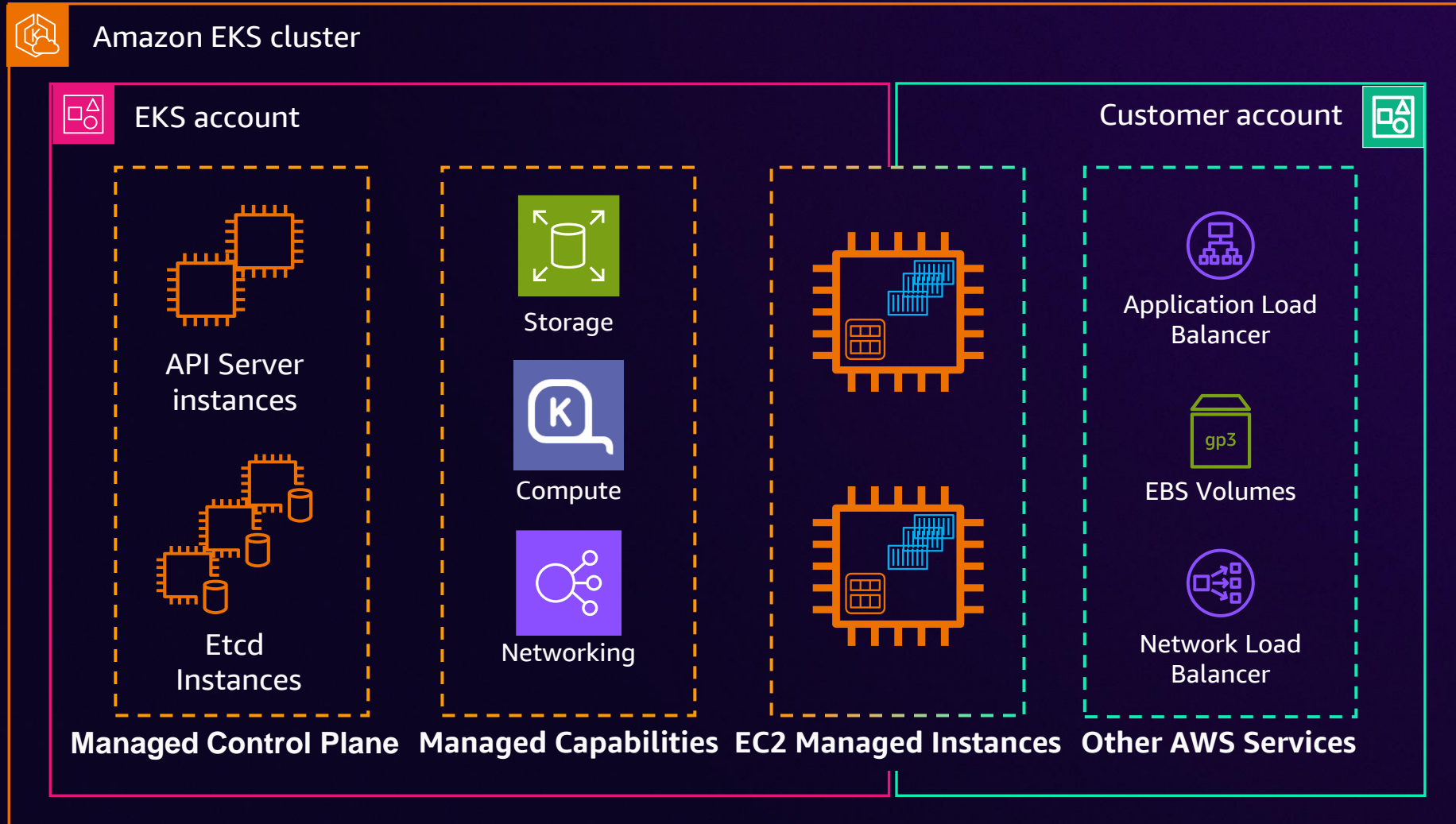
Dynamically scales resources



Continuously optimizes for cost

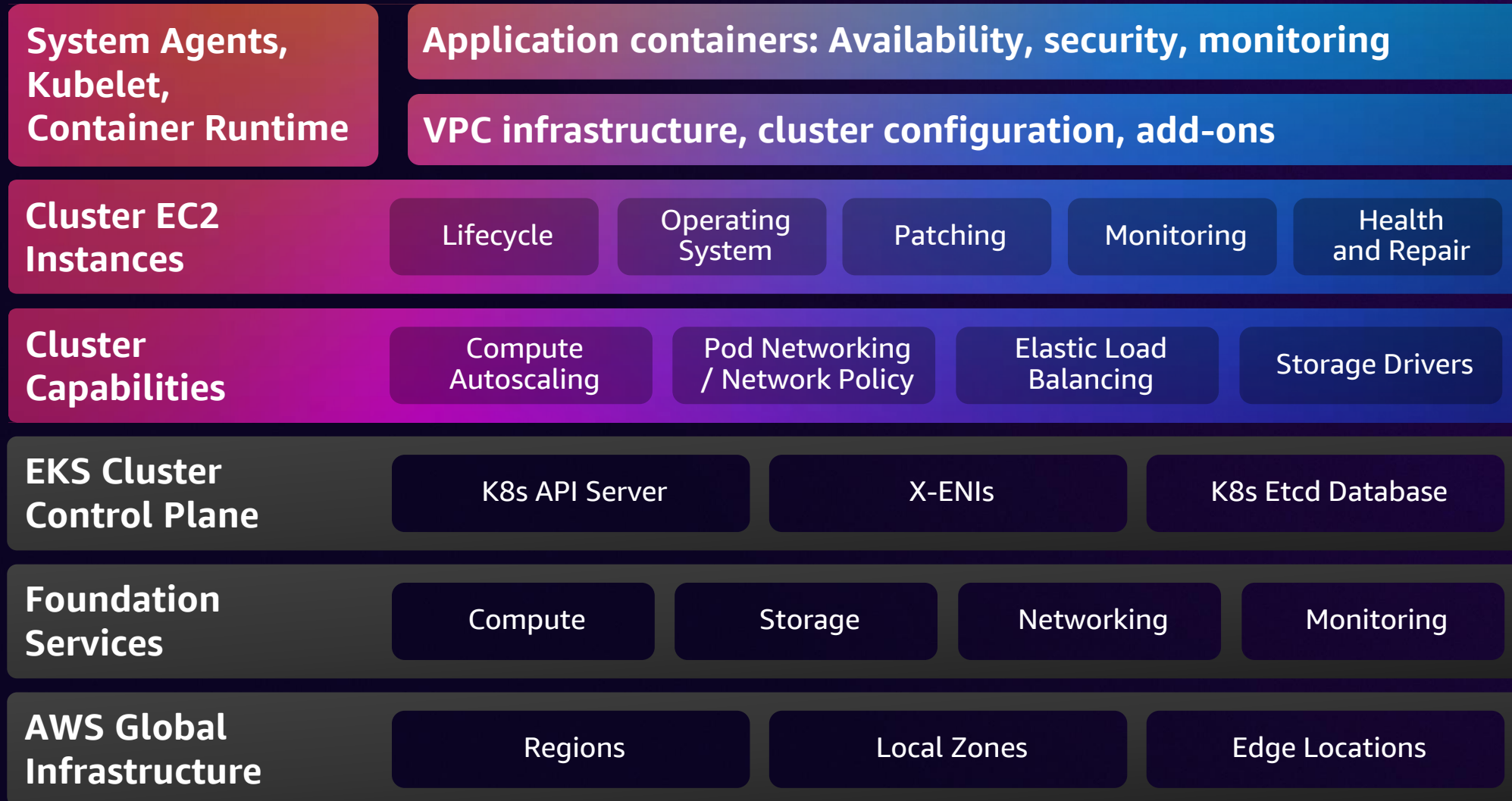


# Cluster architecture with EKS Auto Mode





# Shared Responsibility Model with EKS previously

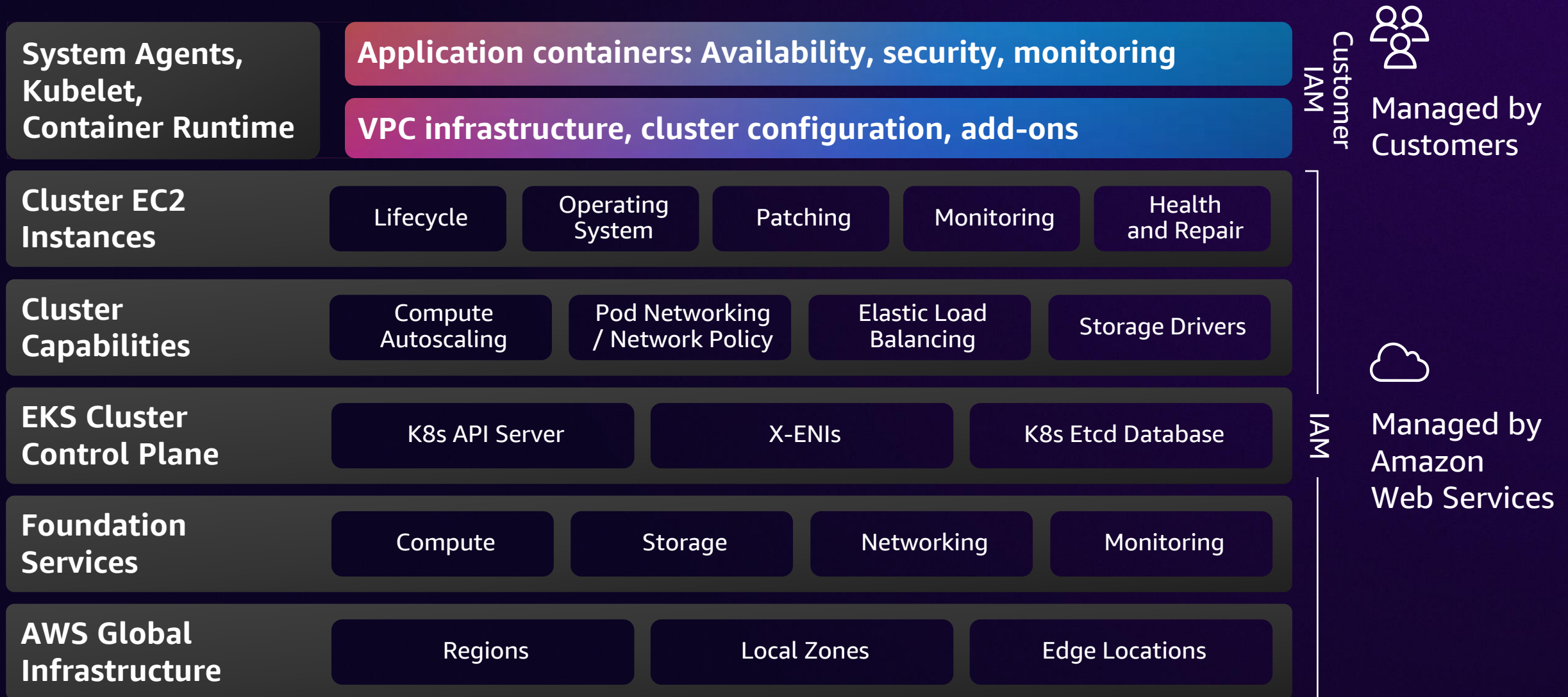


Managed by Customers



Managed by Amazon Web Services

# Shared Responsibility Model with EKS Auto Mode



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Amazon EKS Auto Mode reduced cluster management time by 50%, allowing us to support exponentially more clusters per engineer. We've already seen a 20% reduction in compute costs and expect these efficiencies to continue.

**Mike Pountney**

Director of Software Engineering – Astronomer.io



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Amazon EKS Auto Mode allows us to focus on our core business instead of spending time managing the underlying infrastructure. It empowers us to quickly get started on Amazon EKS, while at the same time enhancing our security footprint.

**Johannes Koch**

Sr Engineer Technical Architecture – FICO

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# Amazon EKS Auto Mode demo



# Introducing Amazon EKS Auto Mode



us-west-2 +

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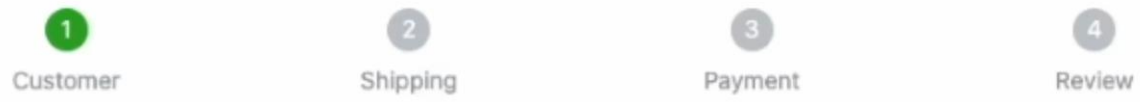
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  observedGeneration: 1
  reason: NodeClassReady
  status: "True"
  type: NodeClassReady
- lastTransitionTime: "2024-11-26T11:12:58Z"
  message: ""
  observedGeneration: 1
  reason: Ready
  status: "True"
  type: Ready
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  ephemeral-storage: "0"
  memory: "0"
  nodes: "0"
  pods: "0"

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[cloudshell-user@ip-10-134-77-105 ~]\$

Home / Checkout

### Guest checkout



First name

Last name

Email

Address

Address 2 (Optional)

City

State

Zip

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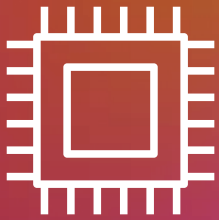
# Health Monitoring and Auto Repair

# Amazon EKS Auto Mode deep dive



# Amazon EKS Auto Mode capabilities

MANAGED CAPABILITIES PROVIDE COMPUTE, STORAGE, AND NETWORKING



## Compute

Compute autoscaling and continuous right-sizing

Container-optimized OS, secure by default

Health monitoring and auto-repair



## Networking

Fully-managed, simplified VPC CNI and networking policy

Fully-managed load balancing for services and applications

Cluster DNS on every node for service discovery



## Storage

Provision and manage block storage resources / lifecycles automatically as needed by applications

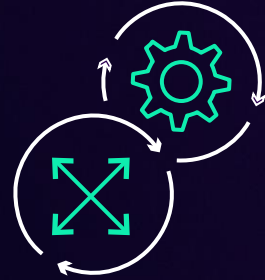
# Amazon EKS Auto Mode compute

AUTOMATED PROVISIONING, SCALING, AND MANAGEMENT OF CLUSTER COMPUTE



## Amazon EC2 Managed Instances

Launches AWS-managed Amazon EC2 Instances in your account to provide fully managed compute for your applications



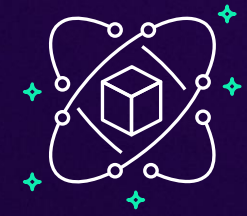
## Dynamic selection and scaling

Provisions right-sized compute resources and dynamically scales based on demand for improved application availability



## Continuous Cost Optimization

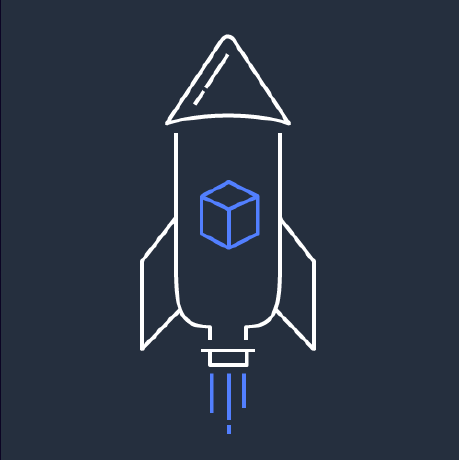
Removes underutilized nodes, replaces expensive nodes with cheaper alternatives, consolidating workloads to improve cost efficiency



## Diverse workloads / purchase options

Access to breadth and depth of EC2 instance types and purchase options to provide you flexibility to choose the right compute

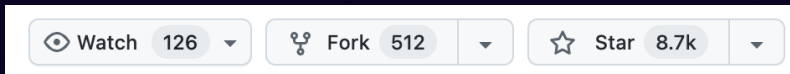
# What is Bottlerocket?



Bottlerocket is purpose-built to run containers. It doesn't include many packages, tools, interpreters, and dependencies in general purpose Linux distributions which aren't needed to run containers. This **improves security posture and reduces operational and security overhead**

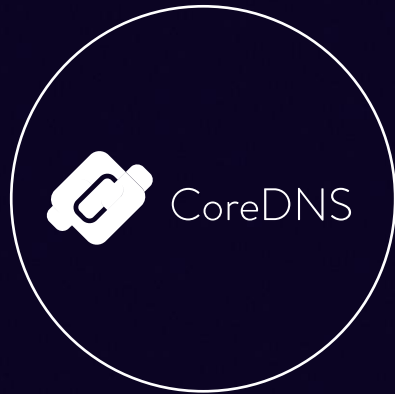
Open-source, minimal container OS based on Amazon Linux

[github.com/bottlerocket-os/bottlerocket](https://github.com/bottlerocket-os/bottlerocket)



# Amazon EKS Auto Mode networking

BUILT-IN POD / SERVICE NETWORKING AND CLUSTER DNS



Out-of-the box  
**managed CoreDNS** on  
every node



Streamlined and **fully-managed**  
**Amazon VPC CNI** and **default**  
**network policy** enforcement



**Fully-managed**  
**network proxy** for  
cluster nodes

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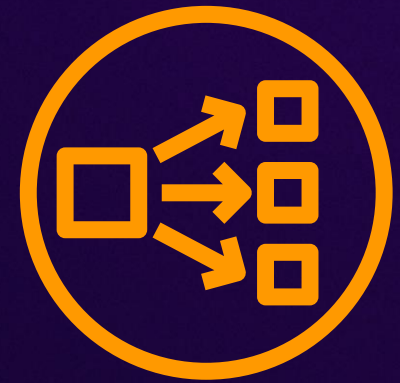
Run as systemd services on the node



# Amazon EKS Auto Mode load balancing

MANAGED LOAD BALANCER CONTROLLER RUNS ON AWS-OPERATED INFRASTRUCTURE

- Pre-configured networking best-practices, e.g. prefix delegation, secondary IP mode fallback, etc.
- It satisfies Kubernetes **Ingress resources** by provisioning **Application Load Balancers**
- It satisfies Kubernetes **Service resources** by provisioning **Network Load Balancers**
- Create new ingress class, required for launch



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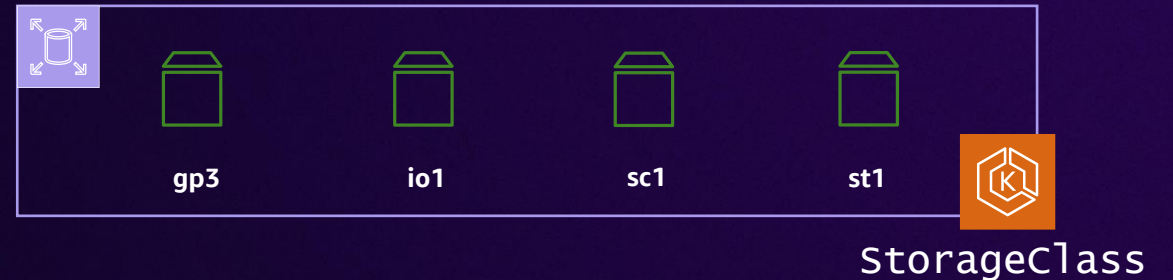
NLB and ALB provisioned when you annotate Kubernetes service/ingress

# Amazon EKS Auto Mode storage capability

MANAGED EBS CSI CONTROLLER RUNS ON AWS-OPERATED INFRASTRUCTURE

## Amazon EBS CSI Driver

- Provision and manage the lifecycle of block storage resources with Amazon EBS CSI driver and node agent
- New StorageClass for EKS Auto Mode: `ebs.csi.amazonaws.com`
- Create new storage class referencing the new provisioner, required at launch
- Other storage types, e.g. EFS, S3, available through existing EKS add-ons



```
apiVersion: storage.k8s.io/v1
kind: StorageClass
metadata:
  name: eks-auto-ebs-csi-sc
  annotations:
    storageclass.kubernetes.io/is-default-class: "true"
provisioner: ebs.csi.amazonaws.com
volumeBindingMode: WaitForFirstConsumer
parameters:
  type: gp3
```

# Works with Kubernetes, works with EKS Auto Mode

ALWAYS KUBERNETES CONFORMANT AND UPSTREAM COMPATIBLE



Kubernetes conformant



Leverage the whole CNCF Landscape of partners and tools



Recommended for nearly all use cases

# Amazon EKS Auto Mode validated partners

 Pulumi  HashiCorp  AQUA  kubecost

 SOLO.IO

 WIZ

  
DATADOG



 CROWDSTRIKE

  
dynatrace

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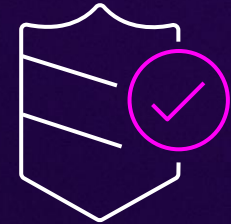
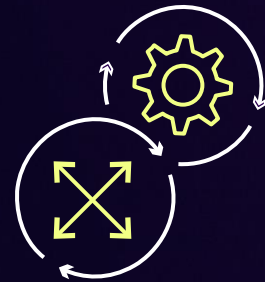
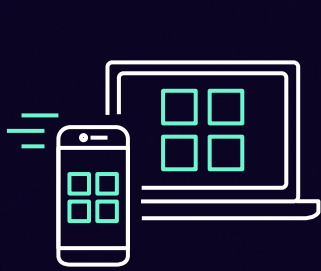
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# Amazon EKS Auto Mode summary

ENABLING YOU TO FOCUS ON ACTIVITIES CRITICAL TO YOUR BUSINESS



**Increase agility and accelerate innovation,** by offloading Kubernetes cluster management to AWS

**Reduce operational overhead,** with streamlined updates and a simpler user experience

**Lower costs, increase application availability, and improve performance** by dynamically right-sizing compute

**Secure by default** with automated OS patches, updates and ephemeral compute to limit security risks

# Learn more about Amazon EKS Auto Mode

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Register for EKS Auto Mode webinar



[Read the launch blog](#)

Streamline Kubernetes cluster management with new Amazon EKS Auto Mode



To get started refer **EKS Auto Mode User Guide**



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