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# CoreDNS for Hybrid and Multi-cloud

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CoreDNS

- Flexible DNS server written in Go
- Focus on service discovery
- Plugin based architecture, easily extended
- Memory safety (Golang) vs. BIND (C lang)
- Started and led by Miek Gieben



- Extended DNS Protocols
  - DNS over TLS
  - DNS over gRPC
- Default DNS server in Kubernetes
  - In Cluster
  - Out-of-Cluster
- Support Cloud Integration
  - AWS Route53
  - Google Cloud DNS
  - Azure DNS



# Corefile: CoreDNS Configurations



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- `.:53 {`
- `# By default all plugins are disabled initially, unless enabled explicitly`
- `kubernetes cluster.local {`  `# <- k8s integration`
- `pods insecure`
- `}`
- `route53 example.com.:Z1Z2Z3Z4DZ5Z6Z7`  `# <- route53 aws cloud data sync up`
- `hosts example.hosts example.org {`  `# <- additional records, added (inline)`
- `192.0.0.100 www.example.org`
- `}`
- `health`  `# <- healthcheck`
- `prometheus`  `# <- metrics`
- `cache 30`  `# <- cache & performance`
- `forward . 1.1.1.1:53`  `# <- forward to 1.1.1.1 (Cloudflare)`
- `errors`
- `}`



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# Plugins: Forward & Hosts



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- `forward . 8.8.8.8                                    # <- forward to 8.8.8.8 (Google Public DNS)`
- `errors`
- `}`

```
$ dig @127.0.0.1 -p 53 www.example.org
```

```
.....
```

```
;; ANSWER SECTION:
```

```
www.example.org. 3600 IN A 192.0.0.100
```

```
.....
```



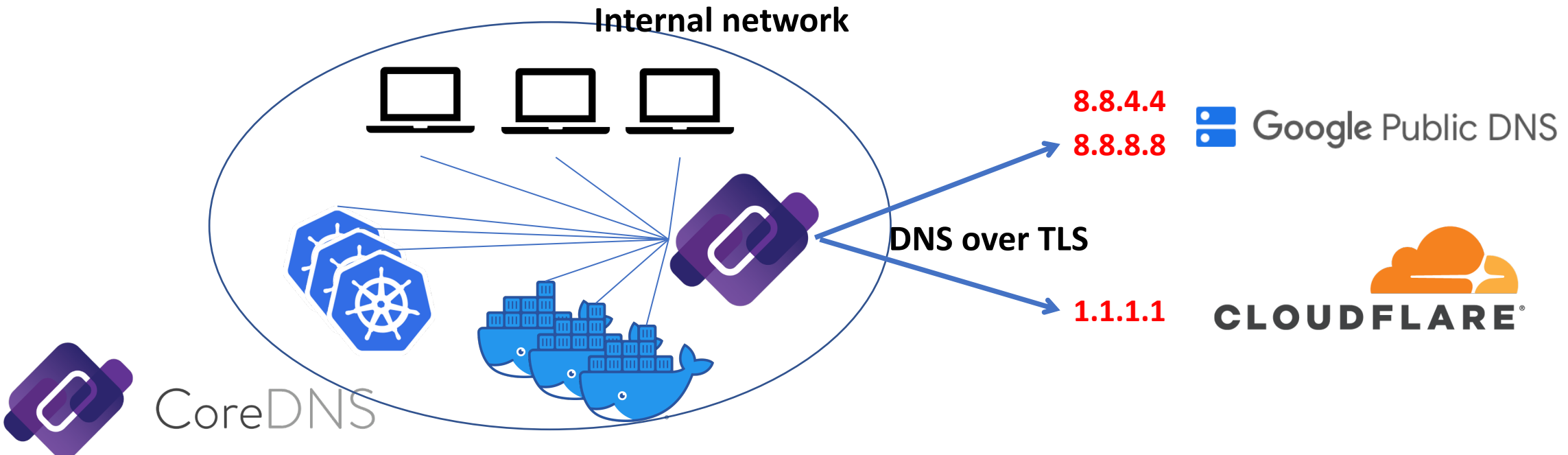
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# DNS over TLS (1)

- Forward queries via TLS (Internet)

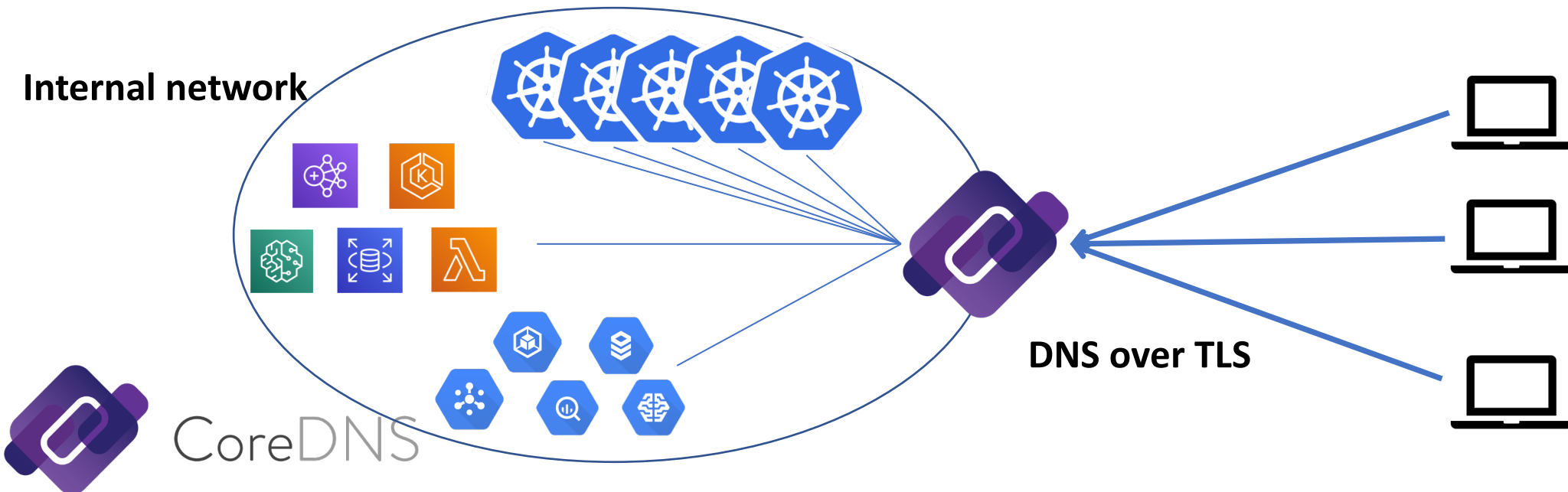
- `::53 {` # <- serving DNS queries
- `forward . tls://8.8.8.8 tls://8.8.4.4` # <- forward to TLS backend
- `debug`
- `}`



# DNS over TLS (2)

- Serving DNS over TLS

- `tls://.:53 {` # <- serving queries over TLS
- `tls MyCertificate.crt MyKey.key`
- `forward . 8.8.8.8 8.8.4.4` # <- forward to UDP backend
- `debug`
- `}`



# Service Discovery



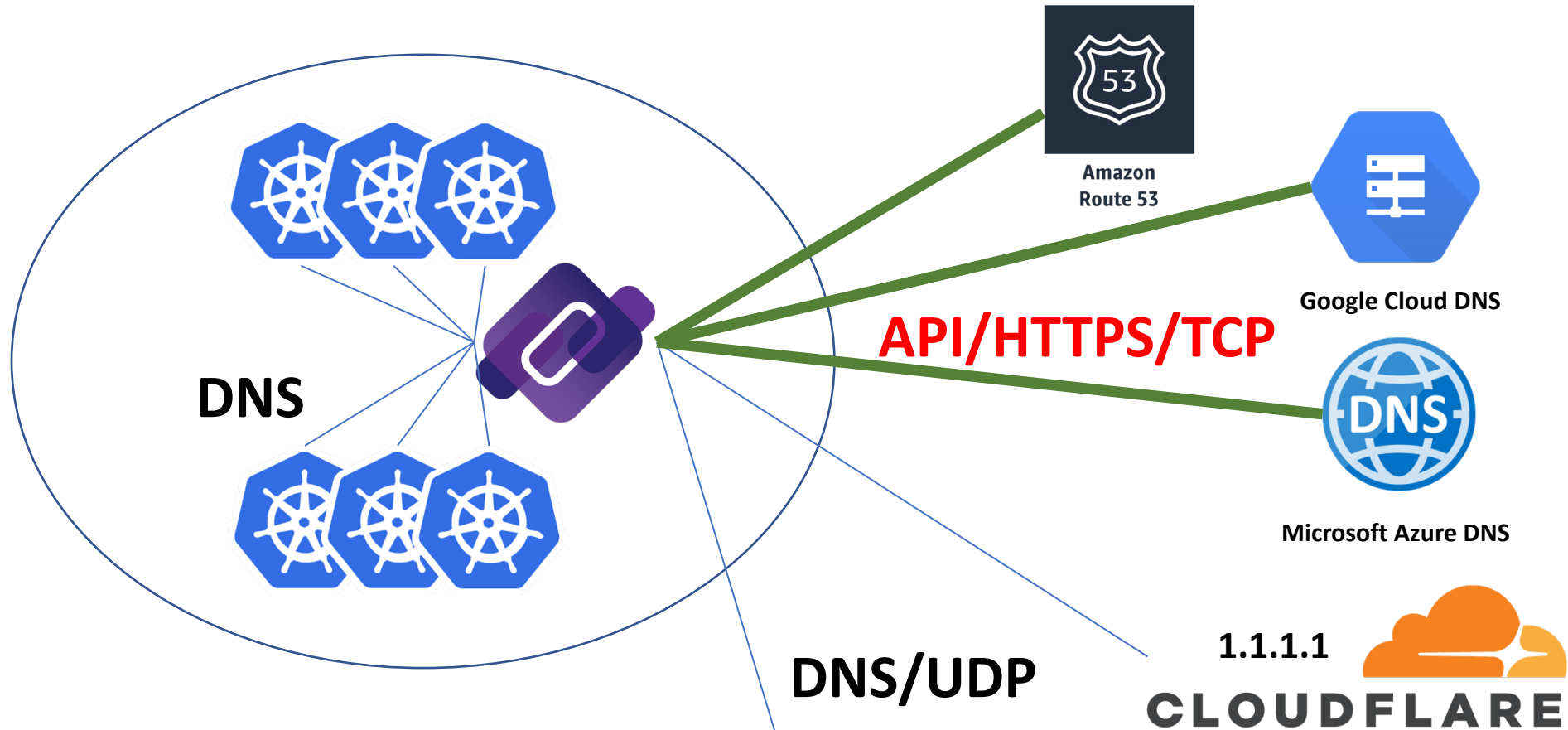
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```
# /etc/hosts like inline records
hosts example.hosts example.org {
  192.0.0.100 www.example.org
}
```





# CoreDNS for Service Discovery



- DNS is a nice indirection
- Maximum flexibility
- Easy and simple to change
- Distributed in nature, scales to Internet
- DNS Pervasive in IT infrastructure



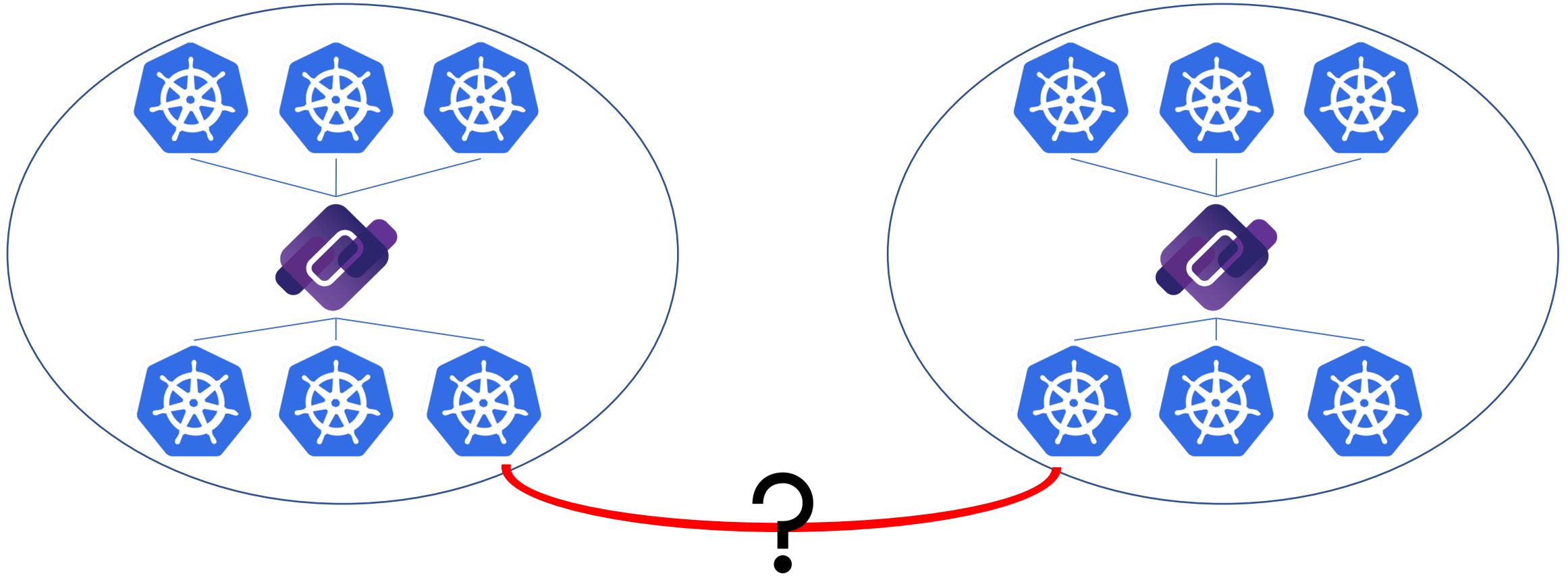
# Data from Different Sources



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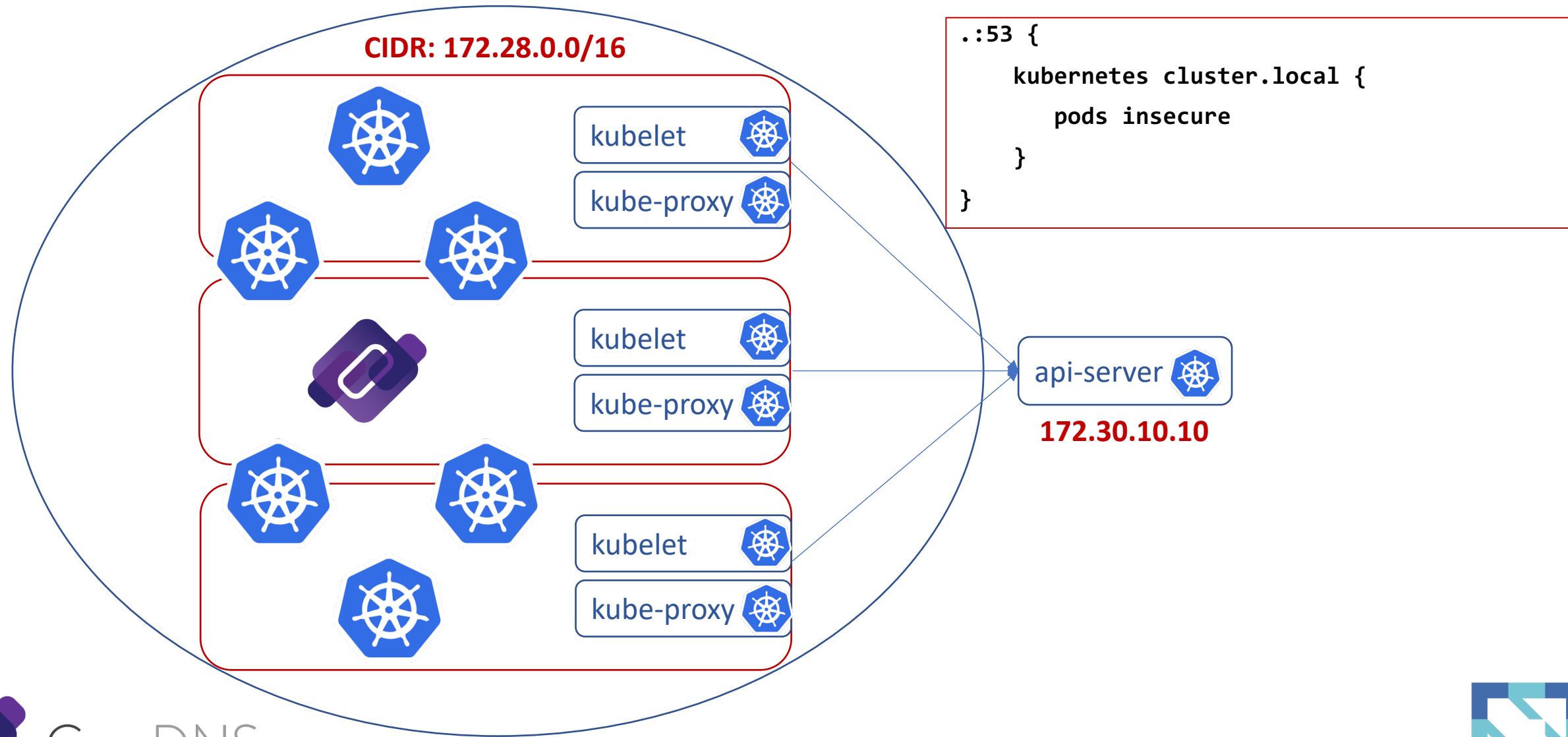


## Prerequisite:

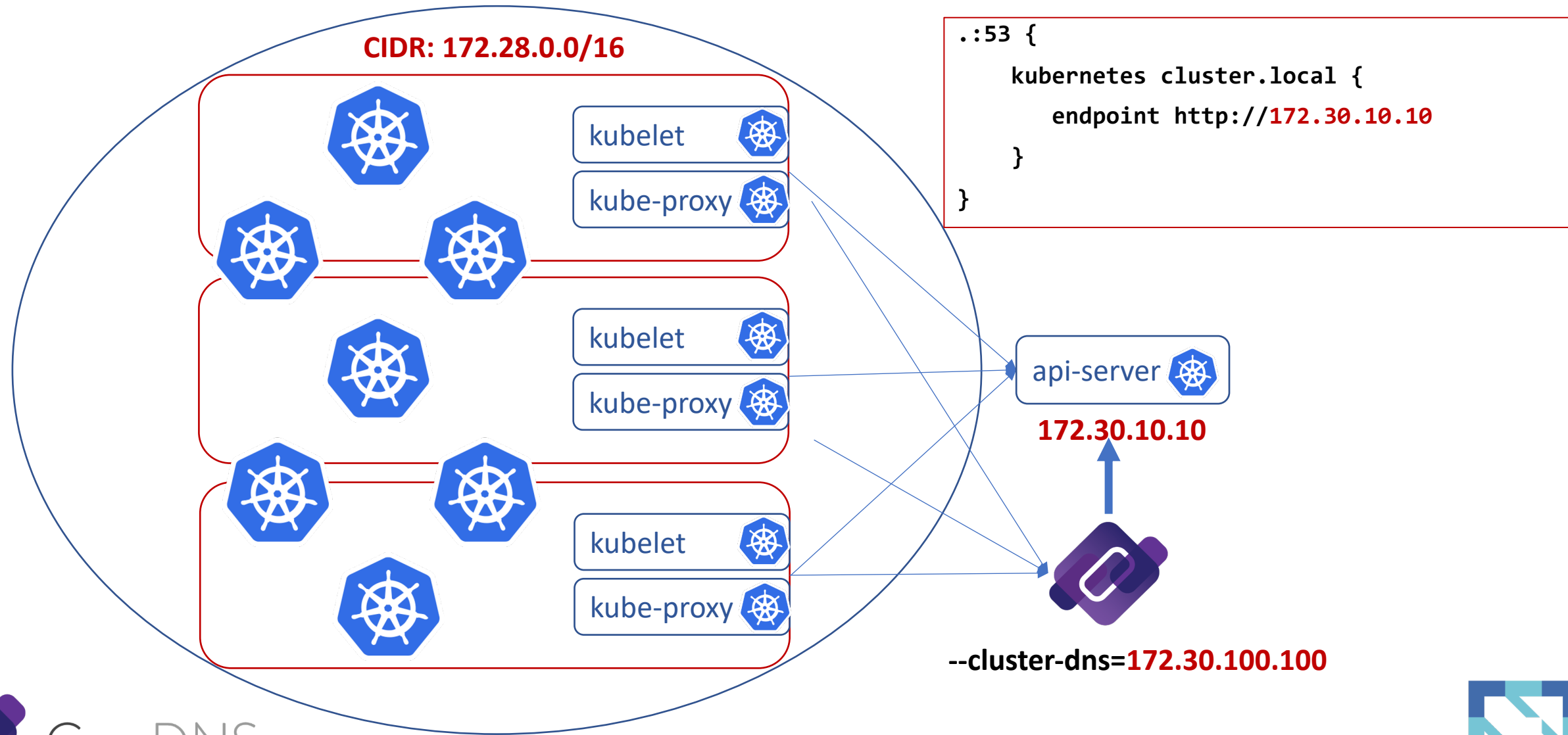
- Non-Overlapping cluster CIDR
- All IPs routable in any cluster
- Headless services only
- No ClusterIP services



# CoreDNS: In-Cluster Deploy



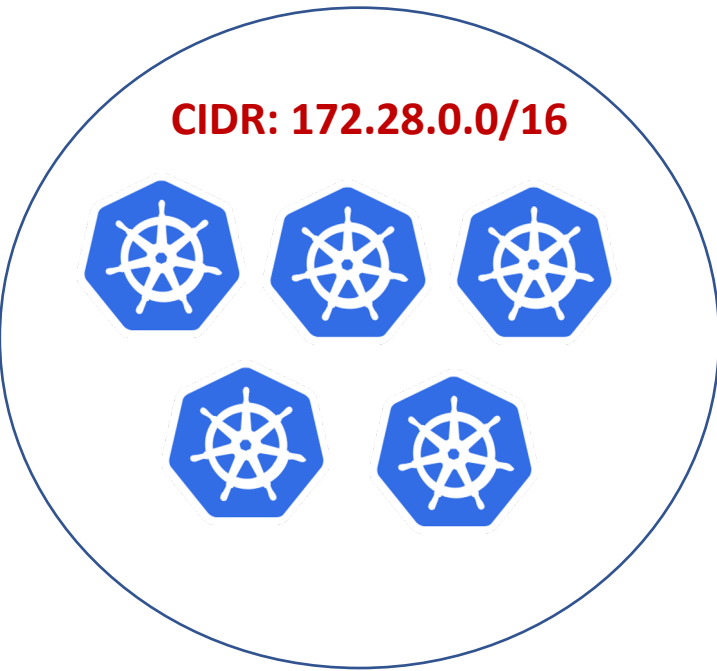
# CoreDNS: Out-of-Cluster Deploy



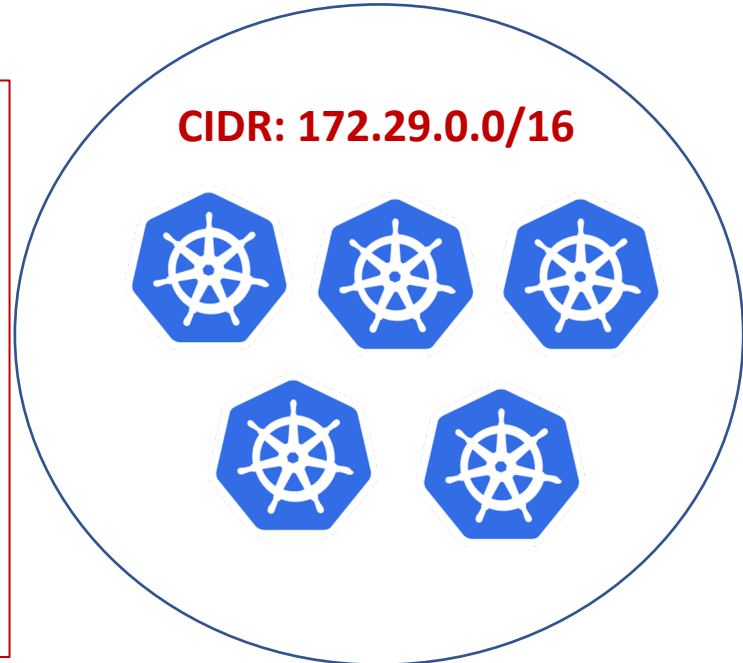
# Service Discovery: Multi-Cluster



--cluster-dns=172.30.100.100



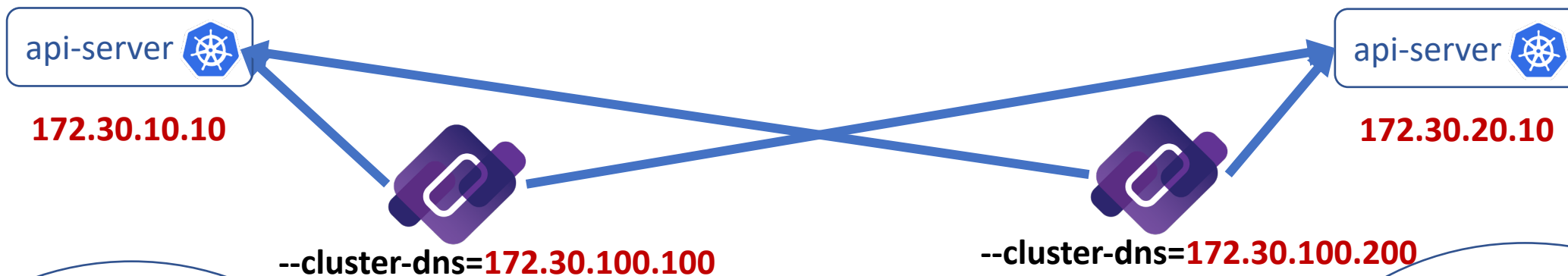
```
.:53 {  
  kubernetes cluster1.local {  
    endpoint http://172.30.10.10  
  }  
  kubernetes cluster2.local {  
    endpoint http://172.30.10.20  
  }  
}
```



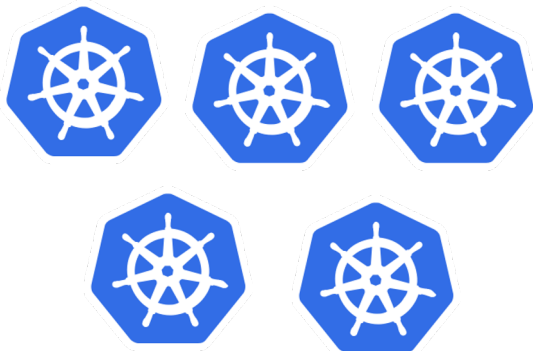
## kubernetes plugin



# Fallthrough & Fault Tolerance

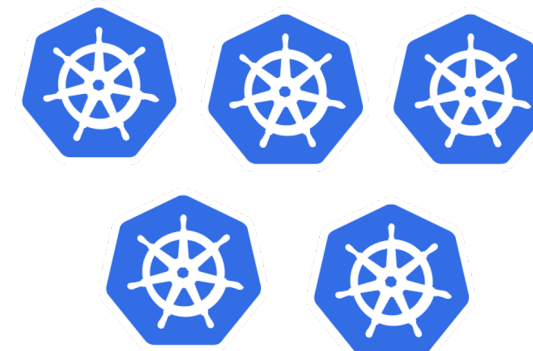


CIDR: 172.28.0.0/16



```
.:53 {  
  kubernetes cluster.local {  
    ignore empty_service  
    fallthrough  
  }  
  kubernetes cluster.local {  
    endpoint http://[172.30.10.10|172.30.20.10]  
  }  
}
```

CIDR: 172.29.0.0/16

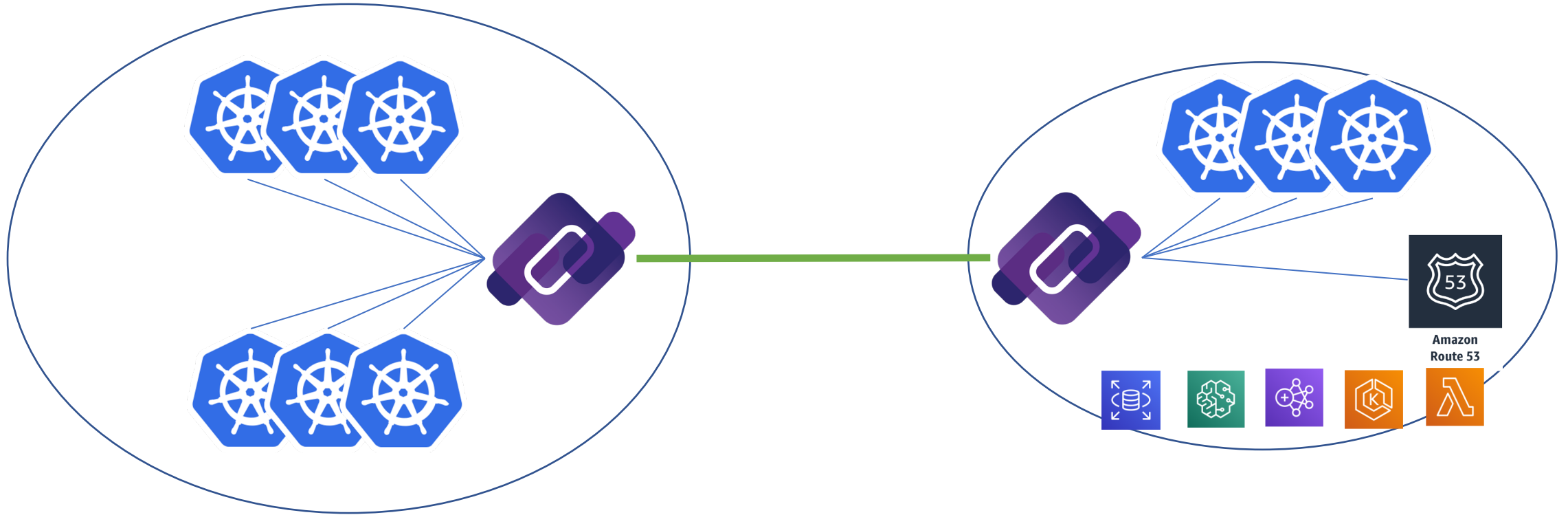


## kubernetes plugin





# Service Discovery: Hybrid-Cloud



# Service Discovery: Multi-Cloud



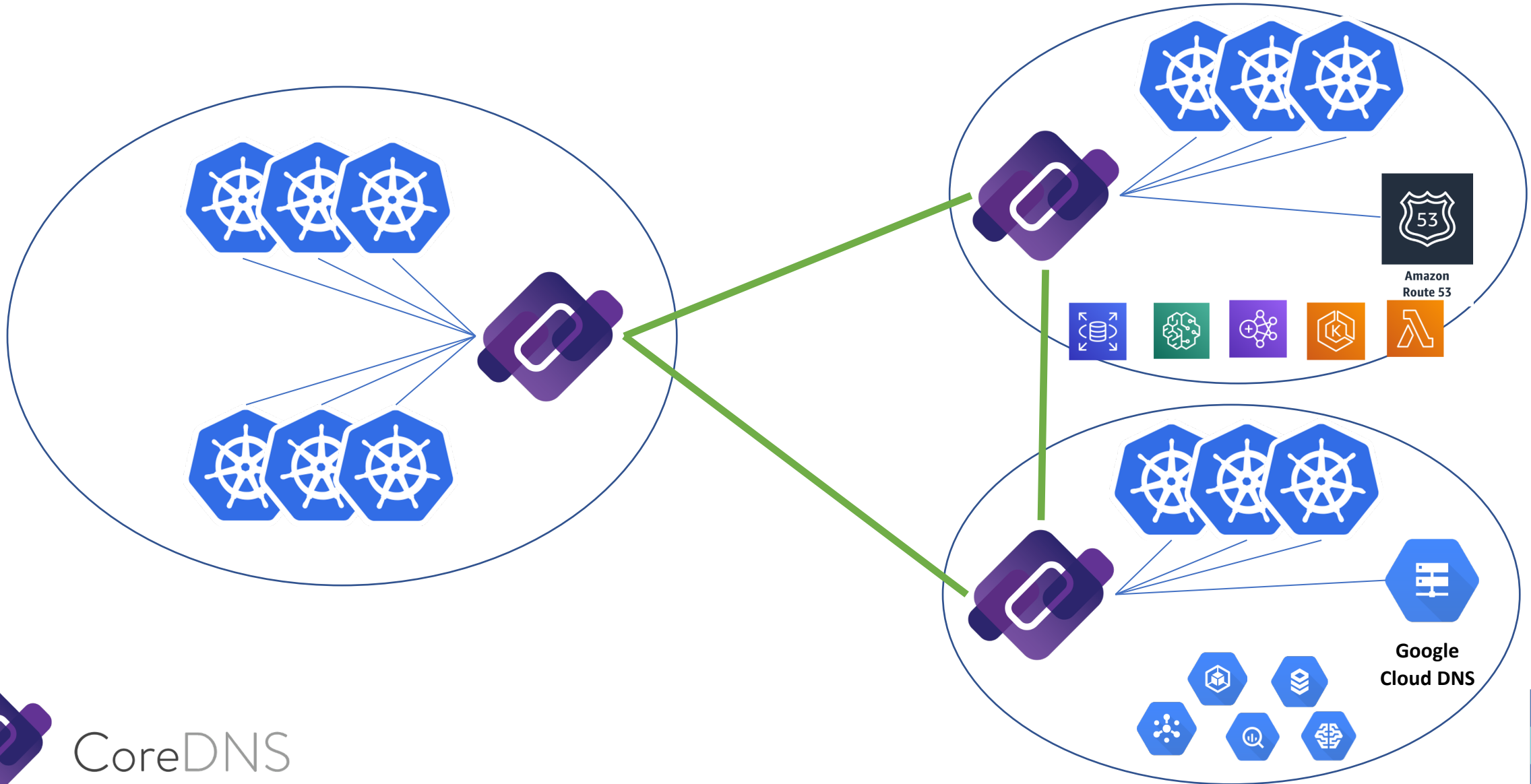
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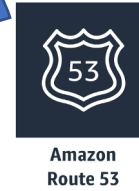
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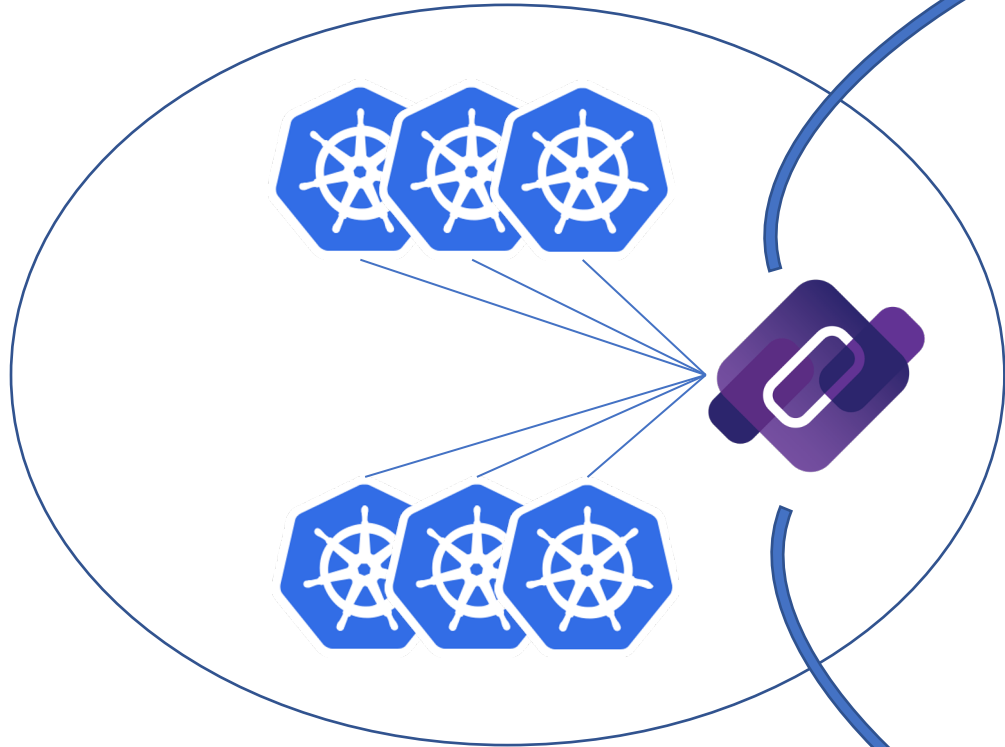
# CoreDNS: Cloud Integration



<https://route53.amazonaws.com>



<https://dns.googleapis.com>



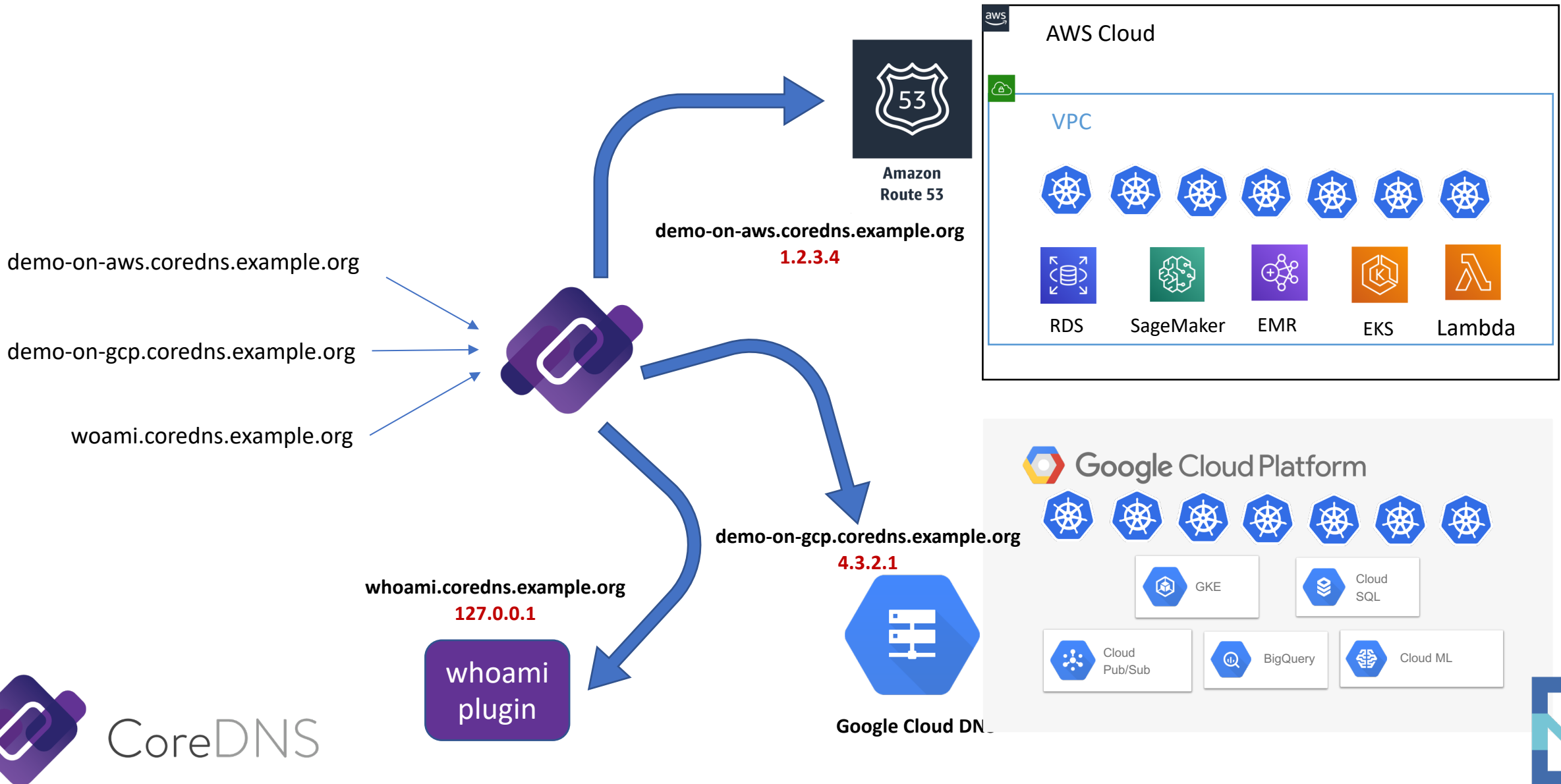
# CoreDNS: Cloud Integration



- Secure communication (HTTPS vs UDP)
- Authentication and authorization
- Reliable and better error handling (TCP vs UDP)
- Separation of data sync up & DNS query



# CoreDNS: AWS + Google Cloud



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```
• .:53 {  
•   # Route53 (Amazon AWS)  
•   route53 coredns.example.org.:Z01234567890123456789 {  
•     fallthrough      # <- move to next plugin (clouddns)  
•   }  
•   # Cloud DNS (Google Cloud)  
•   clouddns coredns.example.org.:peerless-dahlia-123456:coredns-example-zone {  
•     fallthrough      # <- move to next plugin (e.g., whoami)  
•   }  
•   # Fallthrough (e.g., whoami)  
•   whoami  
•   # ...  
• }
```





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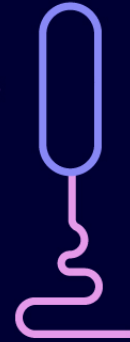
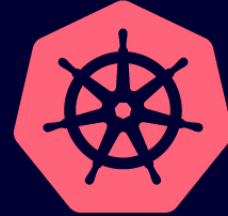


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