

# Web Apps

Why we need them and how to make them easier

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A wooden signpost stands in a lush green field. The signpost is made of two vertical wooden posts and a horizontal crossbar. A large, dark brown wooden sign is attached to the crossbar with two black straps. The sign has a wood-grain texture. In the background, there are rolling green hills, a line of dark evergreen trees, and distant mountains under a bright blue sky with large, white, fluffy clouds. A small pile of grey rocks sits at the base of the left post.

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# Overview

- **Why does Amateur Radio need Web apps?**
- **What is Heroku & Why is it awesome?**
- **12 Factor Philosophy**
- **Request Path through Heroku**
- **Dynos, Databases & Add-ons**
- **Pipelines, Private Spaces, Connect, Kafka**

# Why do we need web apps?



# Standalone Operations are essential

Take Phase4B for example . . .

- Voice Communications
- Voice Chat (possibly)
- Station-to-station Data
- Station-to-many Data
- Text and other applications using this connectedness

*Phase4B is entirely digital and routed packets, isn't that a network?*

# What do we get by extending connectivity to the internet?

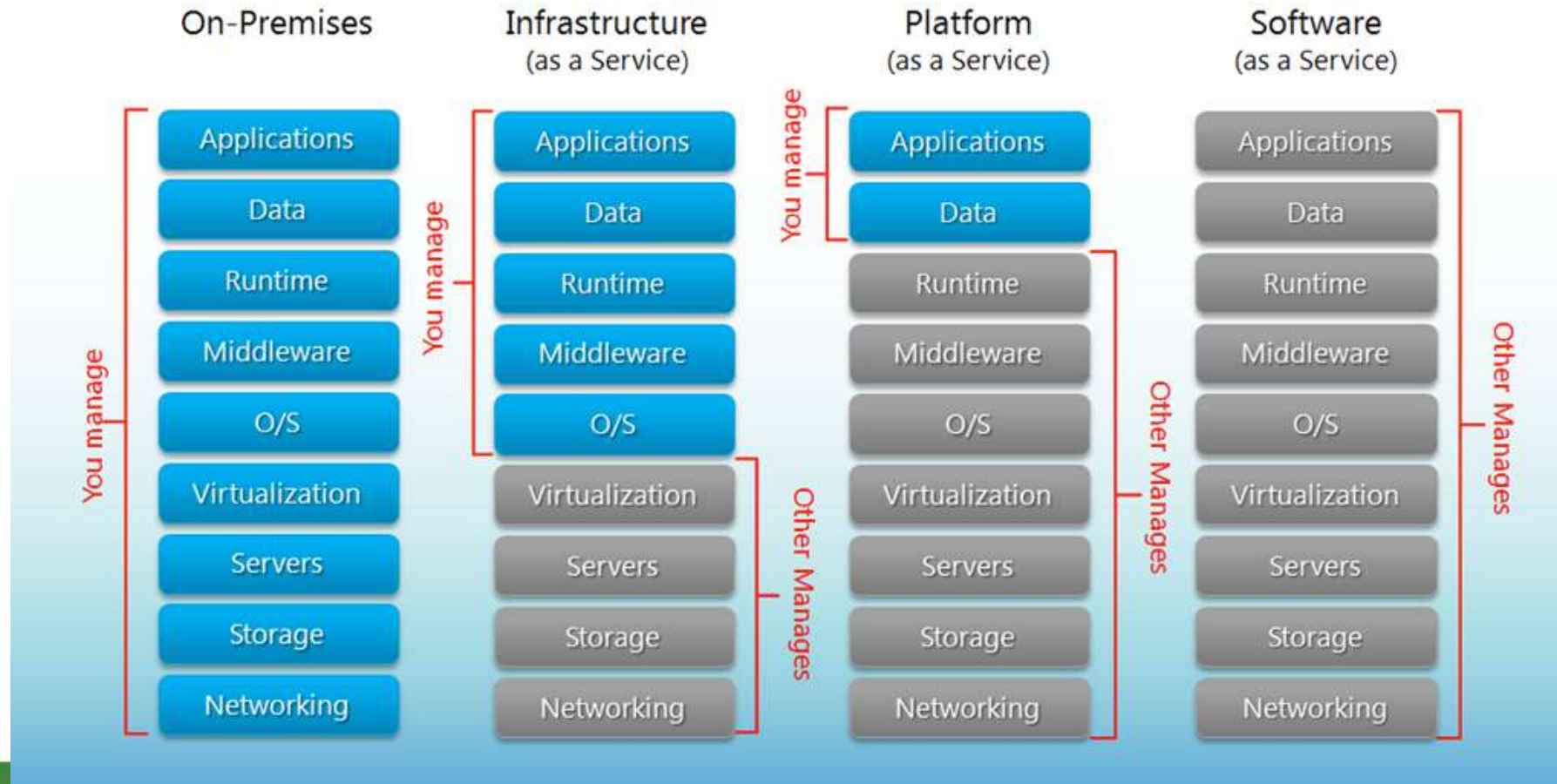
- Access to software updates
- Access to served agency resources
- Authentication and identity servers
- Logging applications
- Access to Phase4B for those without a ground station
- Access to email gateways
- And anything else we can think of

# What is Heroku?

And why should we use it?



# What is Heroku?

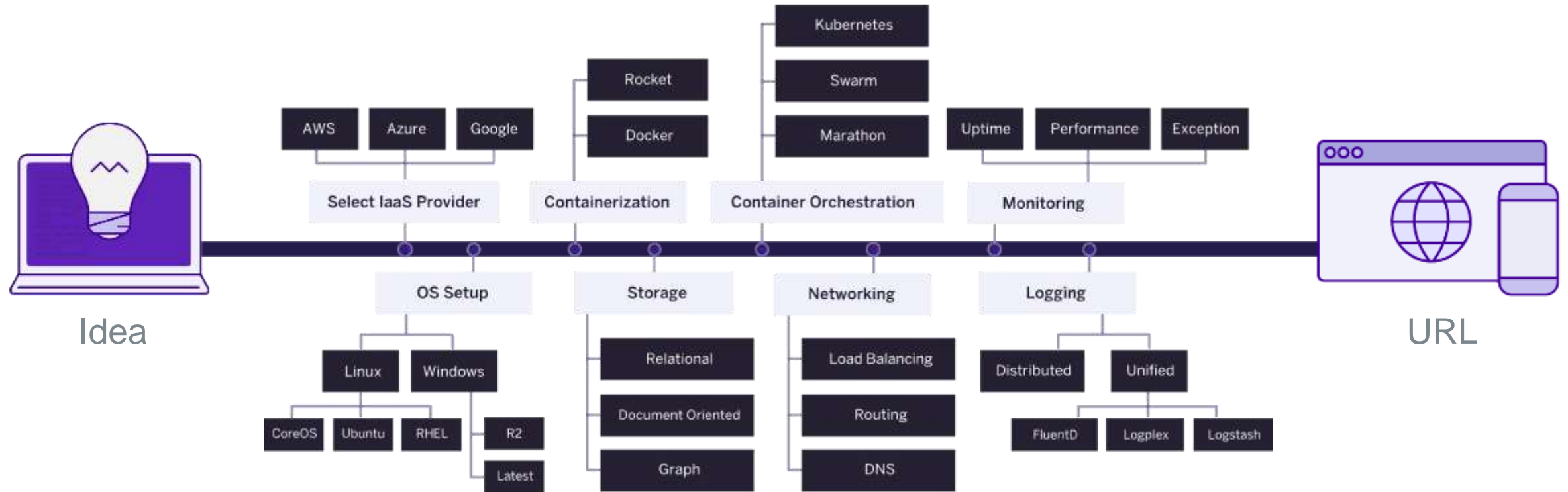


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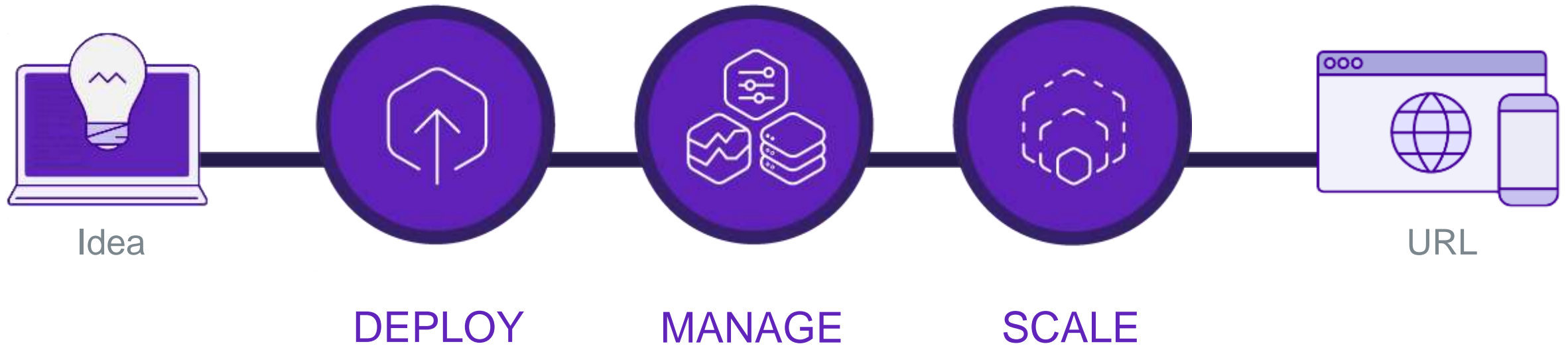


Heroku is a cloud platform that lets companies build, deliver, monitor and scale apps — we're the **fastest way to go from idea to URL**, bypassing all those infrastructure headaches.

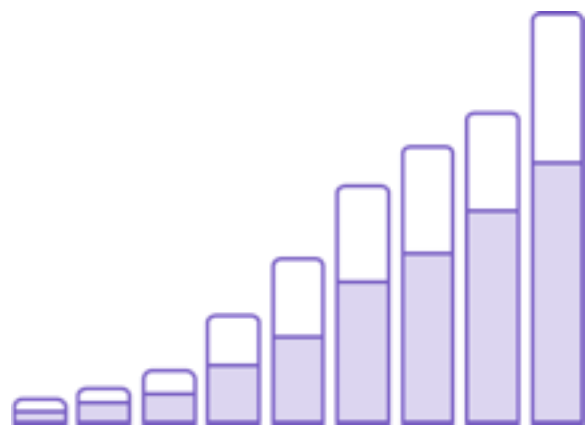
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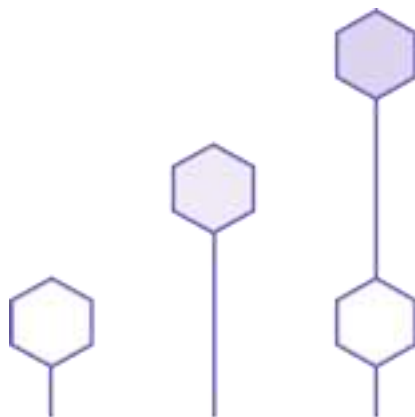
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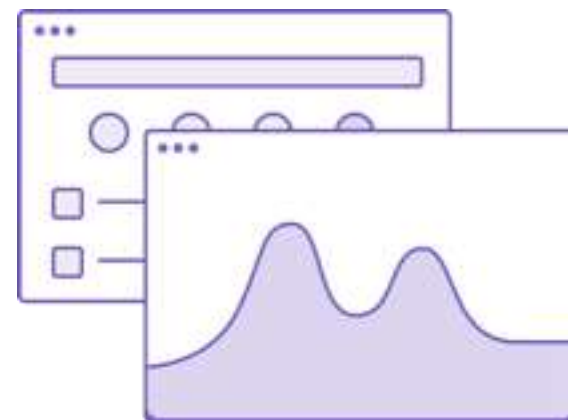
# Heroku by the numbers



13 Billion  
requests/day



6+ Million  
apps created



150+  
add-on services

# 12 Factor app??



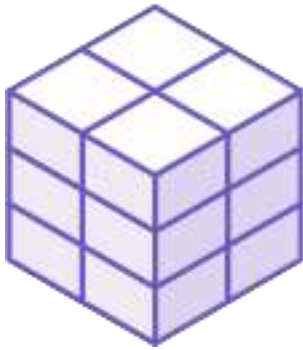
# 12 Factor

- Codebase: One codebase tracked in revision control, many deploys
- Dependencies: Explicitly declare and isolate dependencies
- Config: Store config in the environment
- Backing Services: Treat backing services as attached resources
- Build, release, run: Strictly separate build and run stages
- Processes: Execute the app as one or more stateless processes
- Port binding: Export services via port binding
- Concurrency: Scale out via the process model
- Disposability: Maximize robustness with fast startup and graceful shutdown
- Dev/prod parity: Keep development, staging, and production as similar as possible
- Logs: Treat logs as event streams
- Admin processes: Run admin/management tasks as one-off processes

# How does Heroku work?



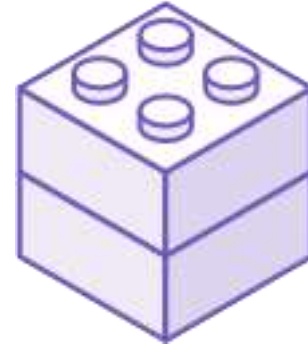
# The Heroku Platform (as a Service)



Data

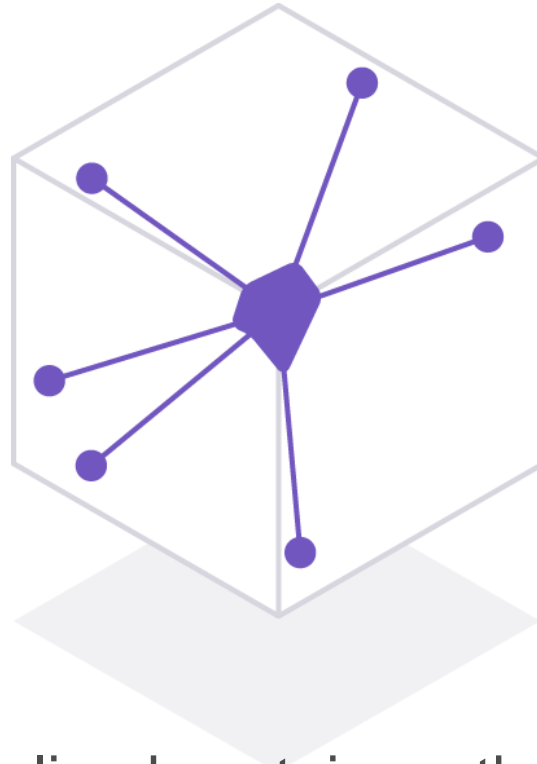


Dynos



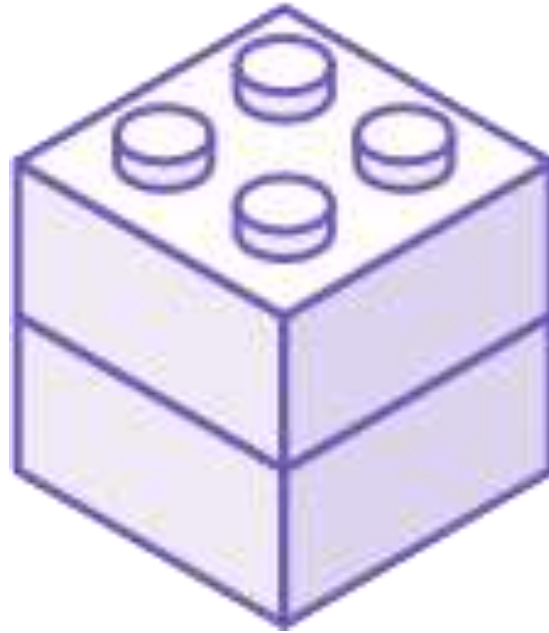
Add-ons

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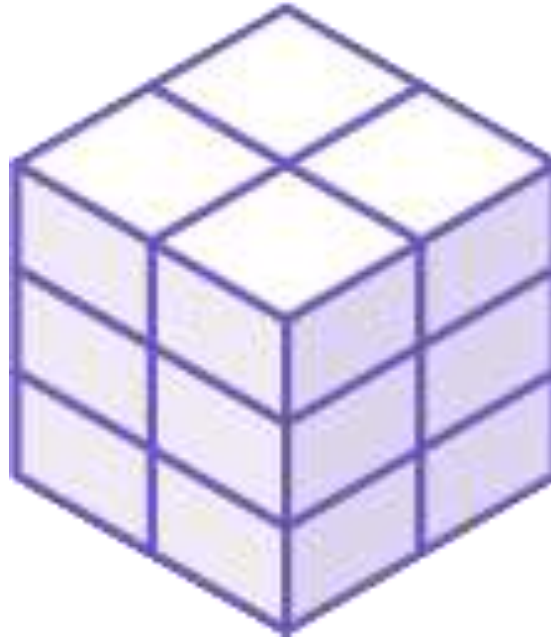
Virtualized containers that run  
application code

# Add-ons



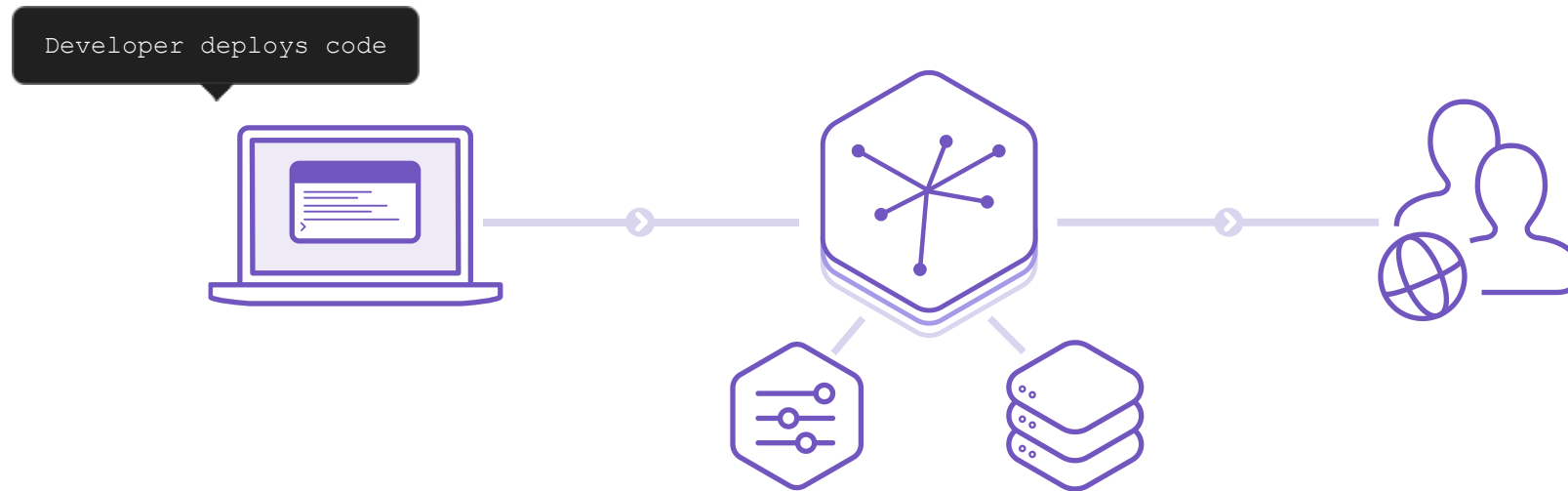
Tools, components and services  
Some add-ons are shareable

# Database (and Data Store)

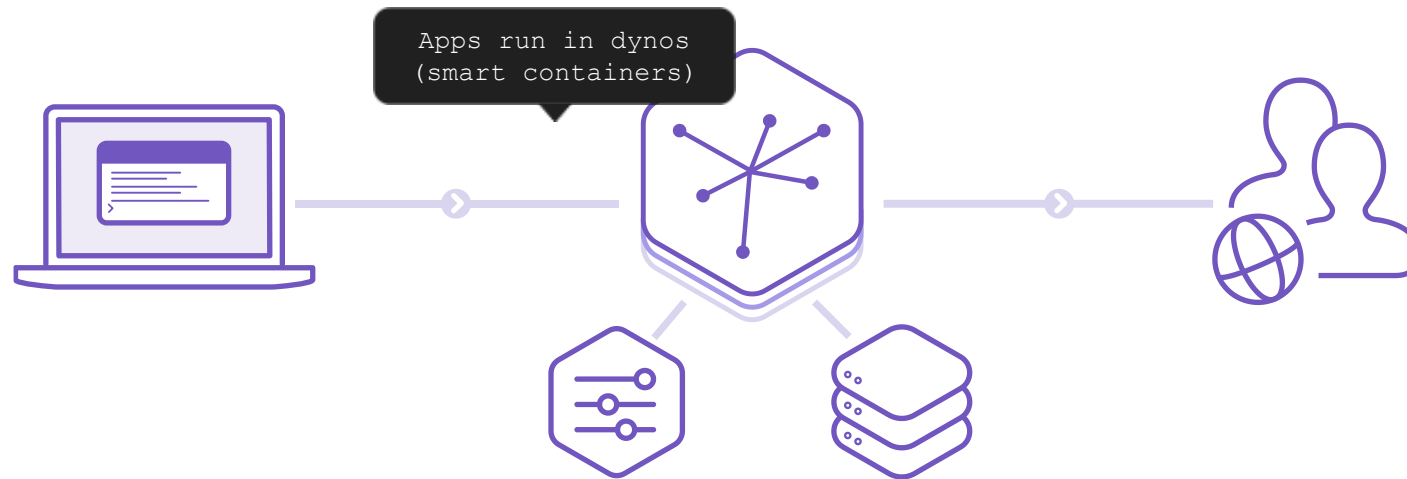


Fully managed Postgres, Redis and Kafka  
instances  
Shareable among apps

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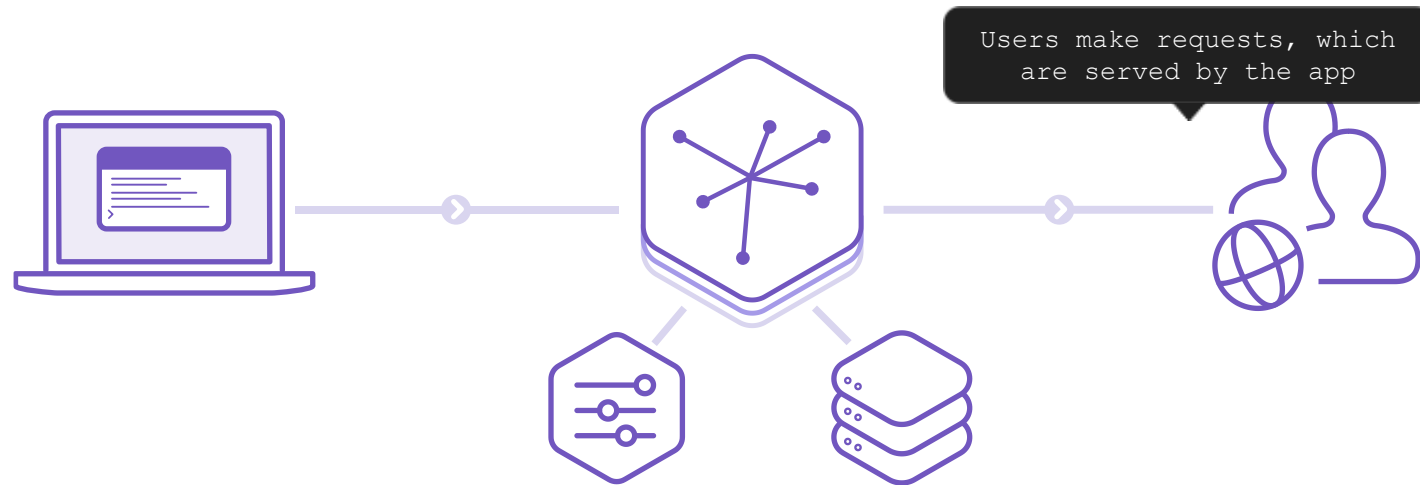
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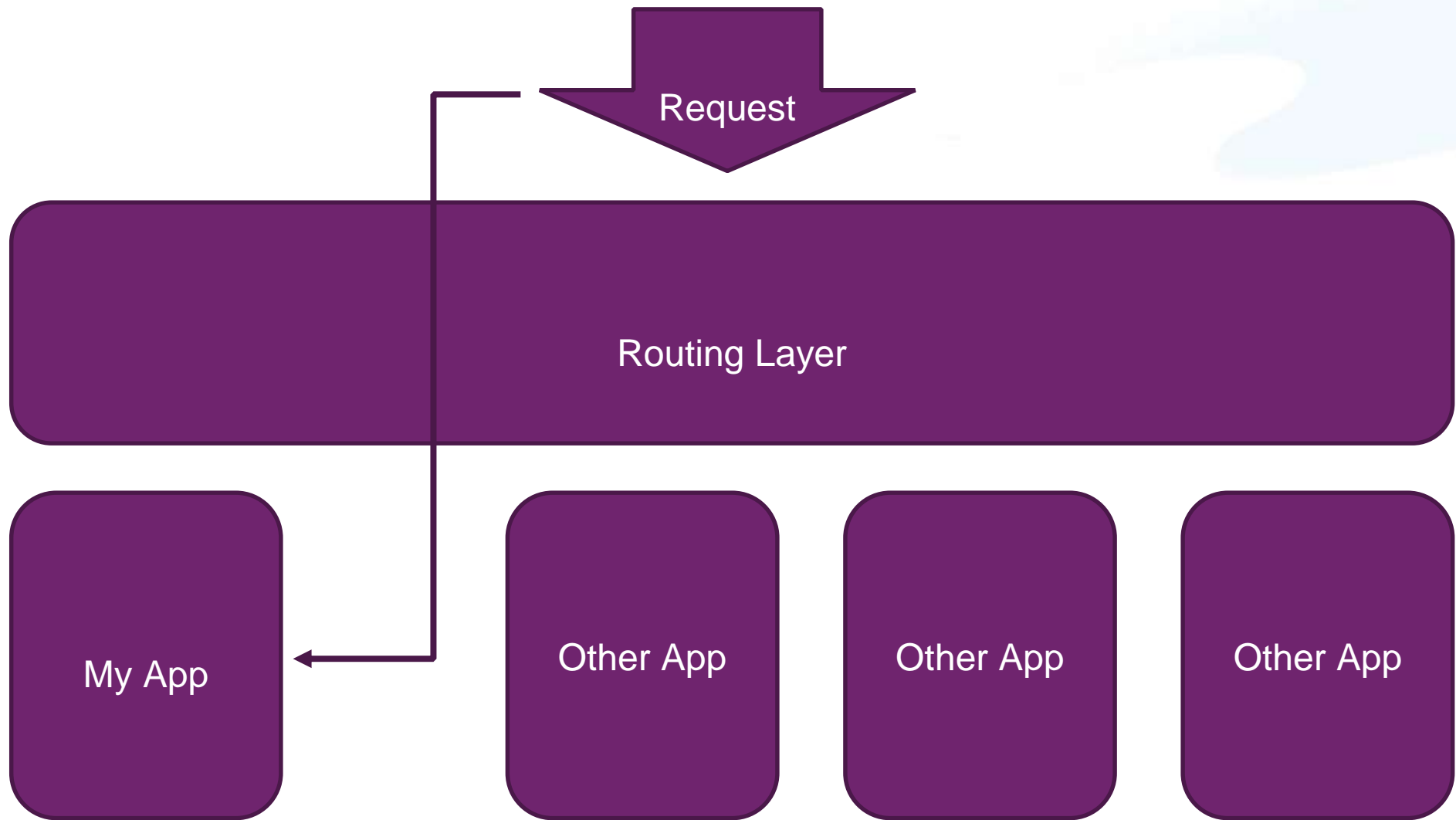


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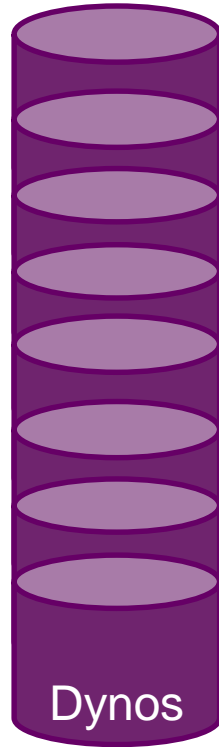
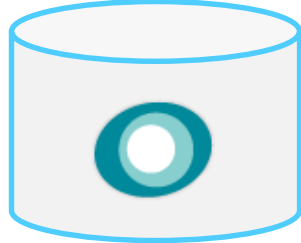
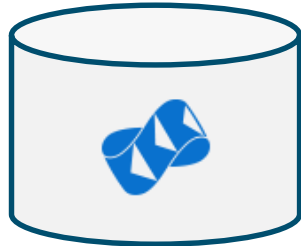
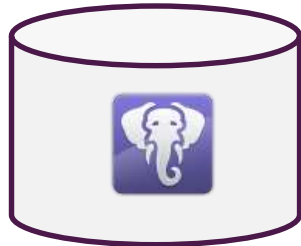


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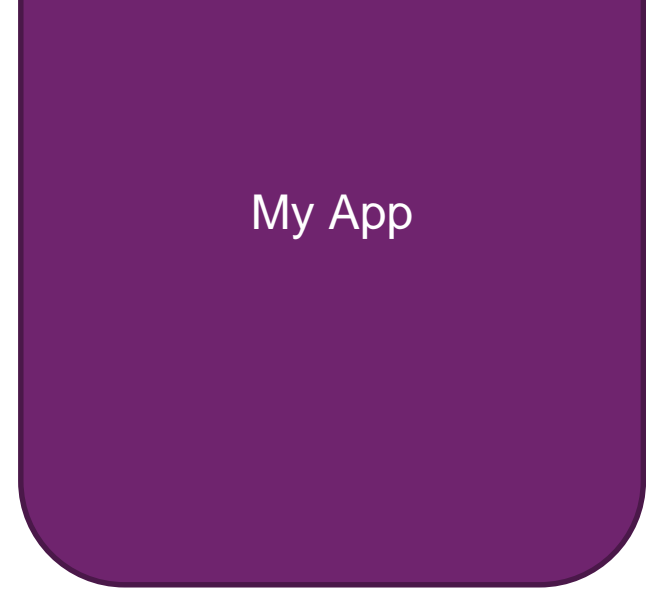
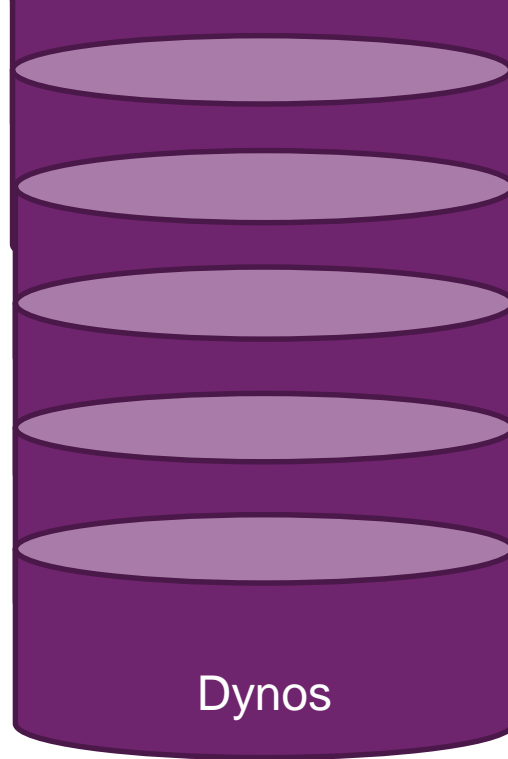
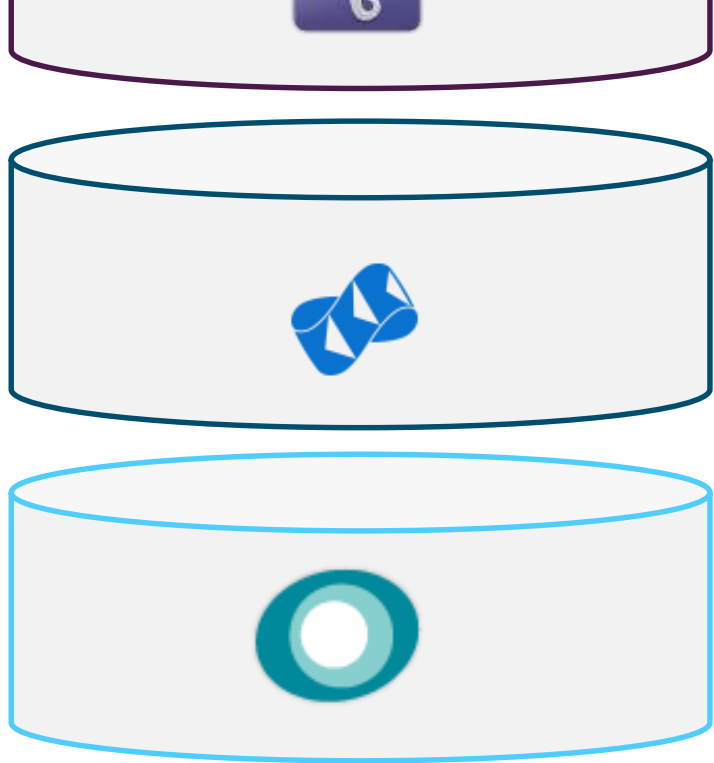
Routing



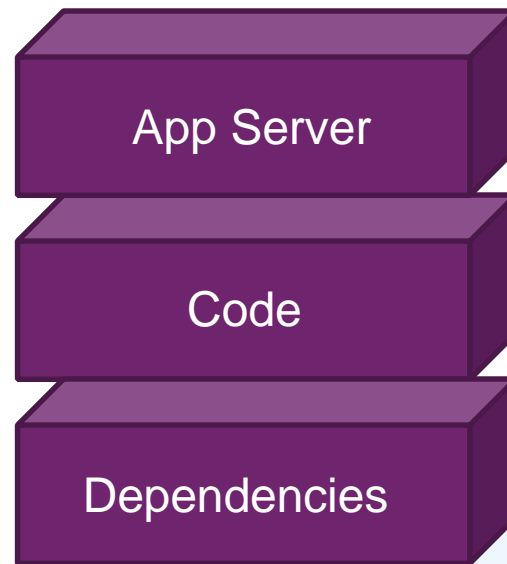
Dynos

My App

Other App



Code + Buildpack = Slug



# Usersynchronous AMSAT on Heroku



# Usersynchronous is a QSO visualization app

An example of a cloud-based app for an AMSAT project

- It's currently just a shell
- It has user authentication
- There's one sample visualization in the app
- No actual logs are used yet
- The source code is in the phase4 github repo as “usersynchronous”

Currently available at <https://qsomap.herokuapp.com/>

Sample graph at <https://qsomap.herokuapp.com/graph>

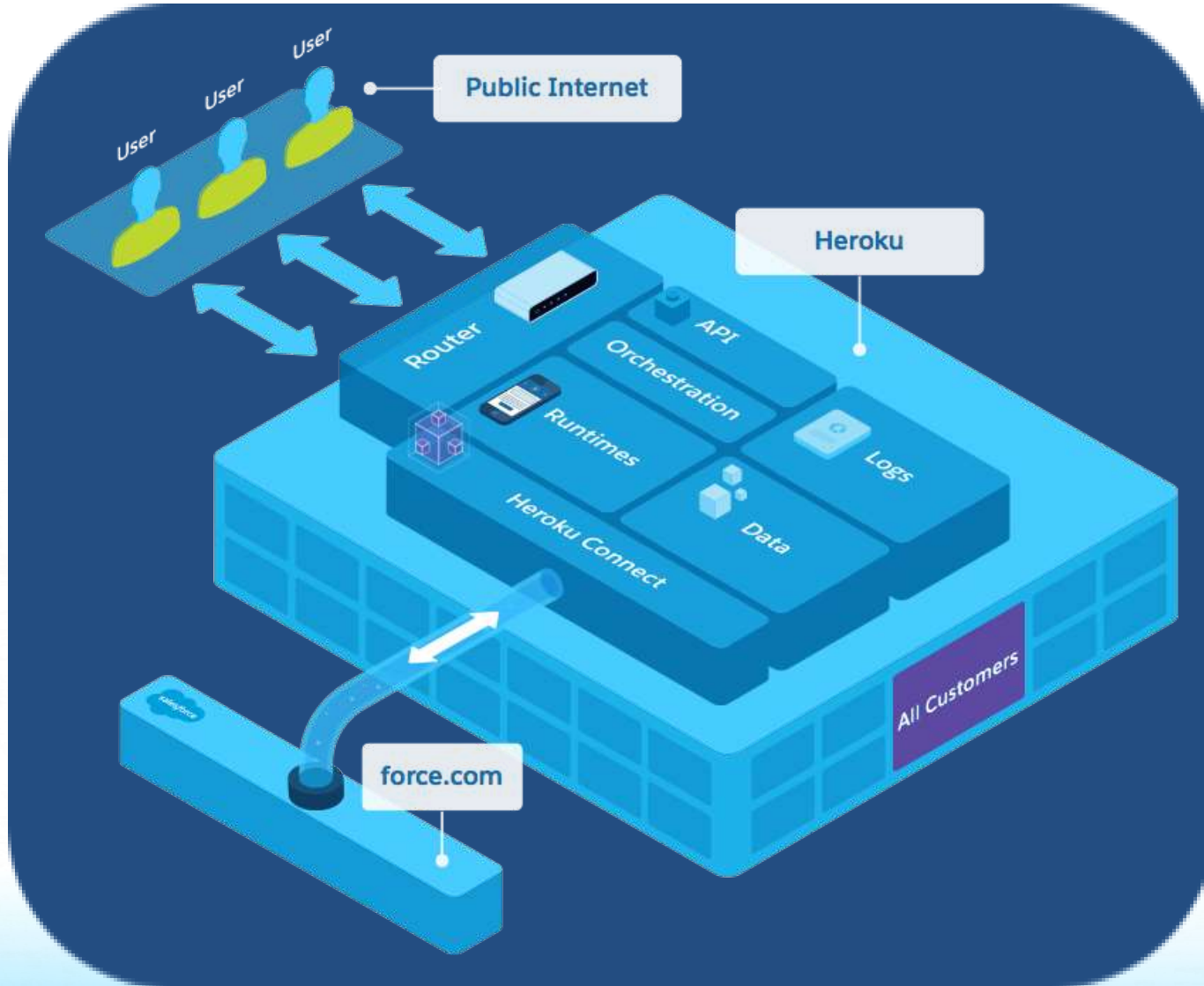


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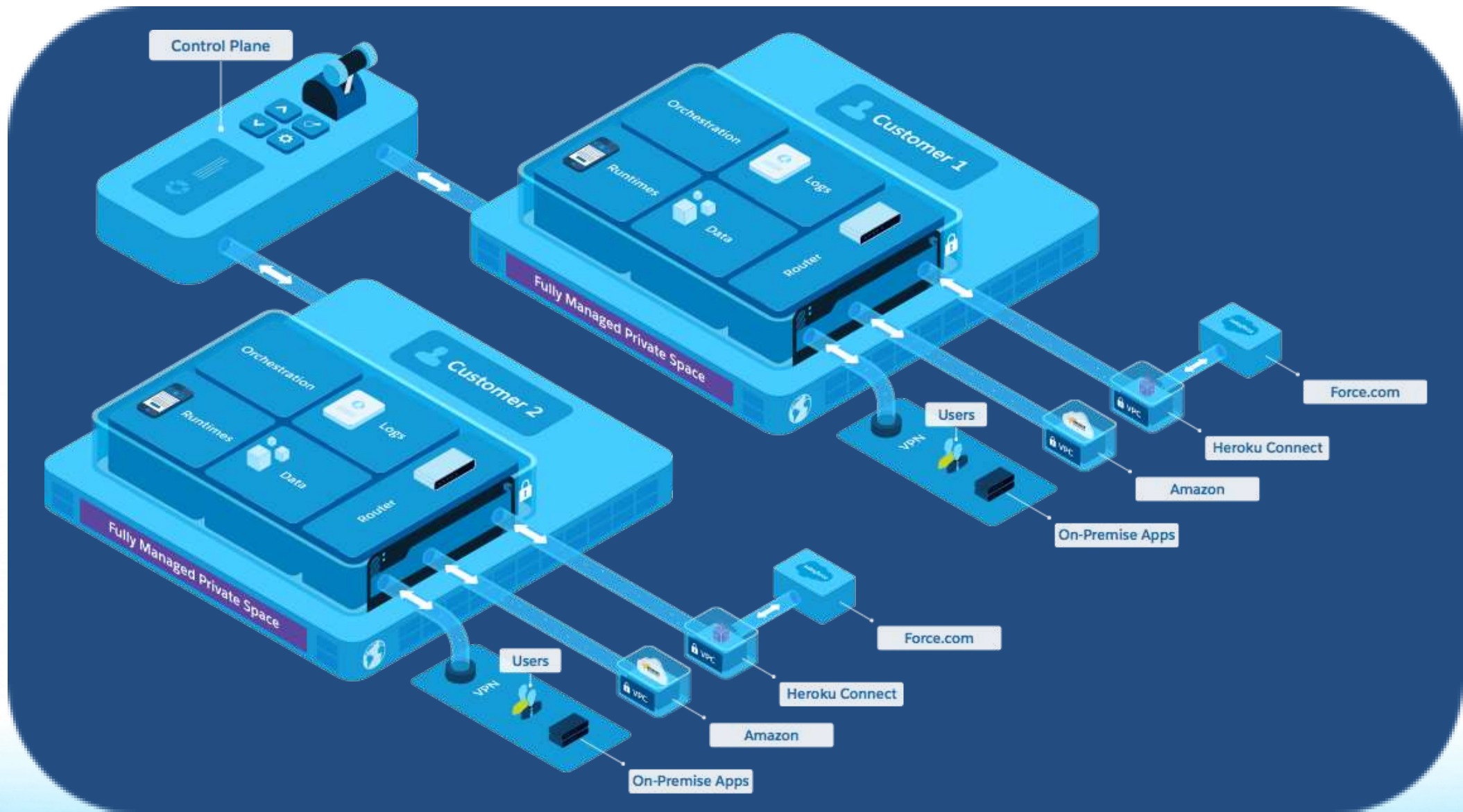
# Advanced Features



# Heroku Today: Cedar

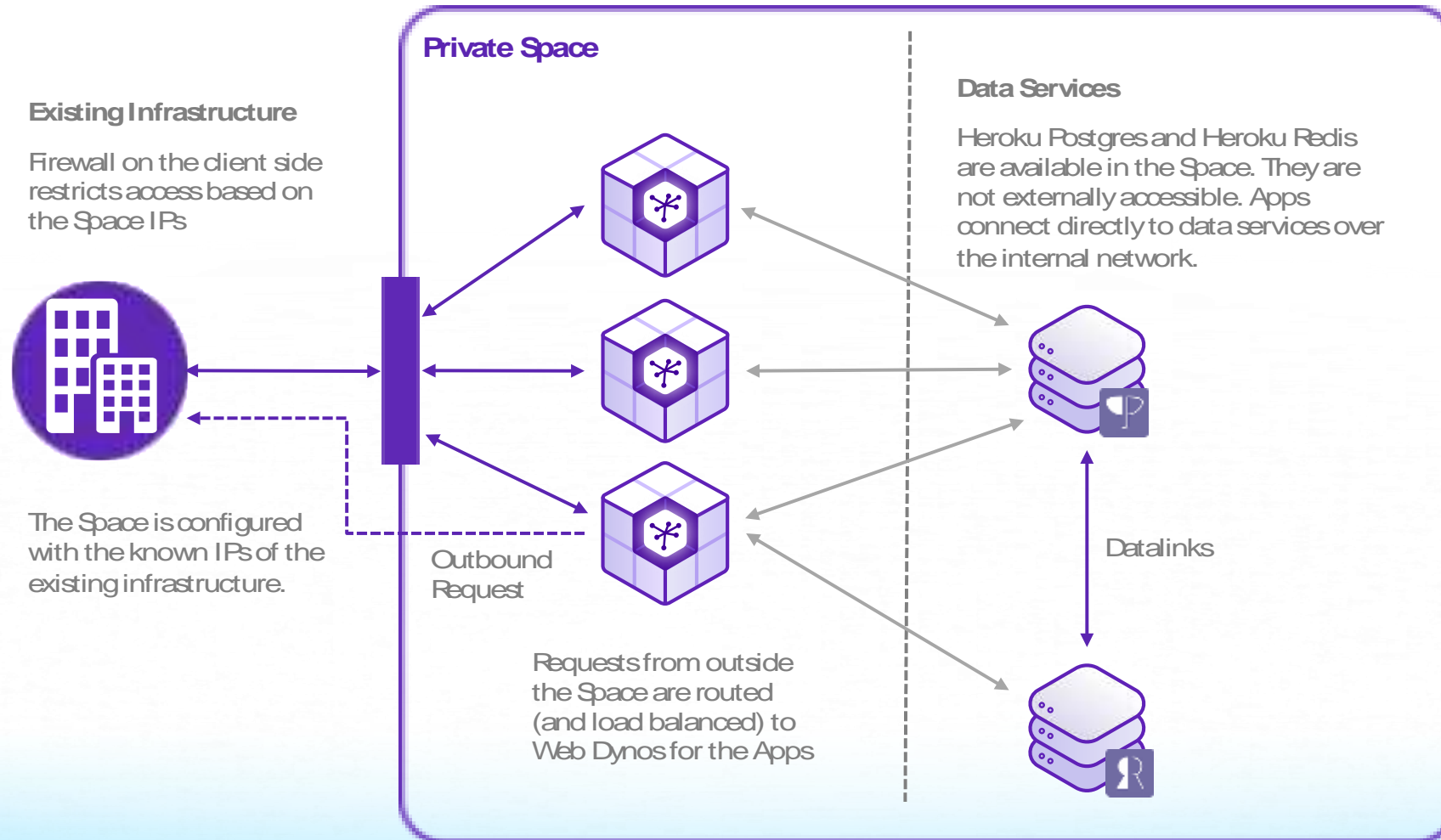


# Heroku Private Spaces

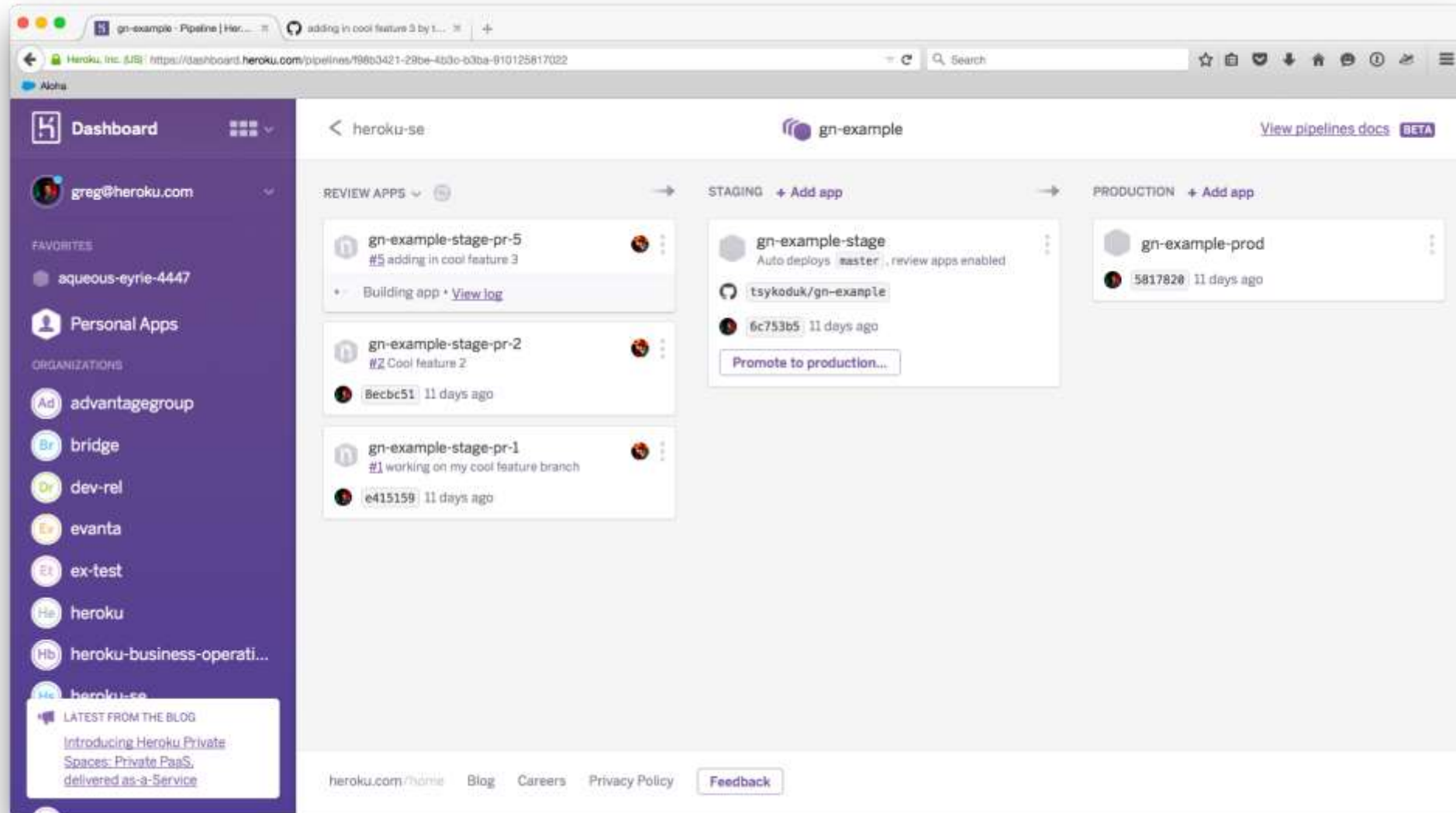


# Private Spaces Architecture

## Trusted Inbound Network and Stable Outbound IPs



# Heroku Flow : Manage a complete Continuous Integration/Delivery workflow



# Heroku Flow: Review Apps

The image illustrates the Heroku Flow process for reviewing applications. It consists of two main parts: a terminal window on the left and a pull request interface on the right.

**Terminal Window (Left):**

```
~/Code ➤ cd gn-example-stage/
~/Code/gn-example-stage ➤ git branch
* master
~/Code/gn-example-stage ➤ cd ..
~/Code ➤ cd gn-example-dev/
~/Code/gn-example-dev ➤ git branch
add-nginx
add-php-info
cool-feature-1
cool-feature-2
* master
~/Code/gn-example-dev ➤ git branch cool-feature-3
~/Code/gn-example-dev ➤ git checkout cool-feature-3
Switched to branch 'cool-feature-3'
~/Code/gn-example-dev ➤ mate .
~/Code/gn-example-dev ➤ git status
On branch cool-feature-3
Changes not staged for commit:
  (use "git add <file>..." to update what will be committed
  (use "git checkout -- <file>..." to discard changes in working directory)

        modified:   index.php

no changes added to commit (use "git add" and/or "git commit" to make a new commit)
~/Code/gn-example-dev ➤ git add index.php
~/Code/gn-example-dev ➤ git commit -m "adding in cool feature 3"
[cool-feature-3 69b4fb7] adding in cool feature 3
1 file changed, 1 insertion(+), 1 deletion(-)
~/Code/gn-example-dev ➤ git push origin
Everything up-to-date
~/Code/gn-example-dev ➤ tig
~/Code/gn-example-dev ➤ git push origin cool-feature-3
Counting objects: 3, done.
Delta compression using up to 4 threads.
Compressing objects: 100% (3/3), done.
Writing objects: 100% (3/3), 315 bytes | 0 bytes/s, done.
Total 3 (delta 2), reused 0 (delta 0)
To git@github.com:tsykodu/gn-example.git
 * [new branch] cool-feature-3 -> cool-feature-3
~/Code/gn-example-dev ➤
```

**Pull Request Interface (Right):**

The pull request interface shows the 'Open a pull request' page for the 'gn-example' repository. The title is 'Adding in cool feature 3'. The 'Compare' dropdown is set to 'cool-feature-3'. The 'Create pull request' button is visible. The interface also shows the repository name 'tsykodu / gn-example' and the 'Pull requests' tab.

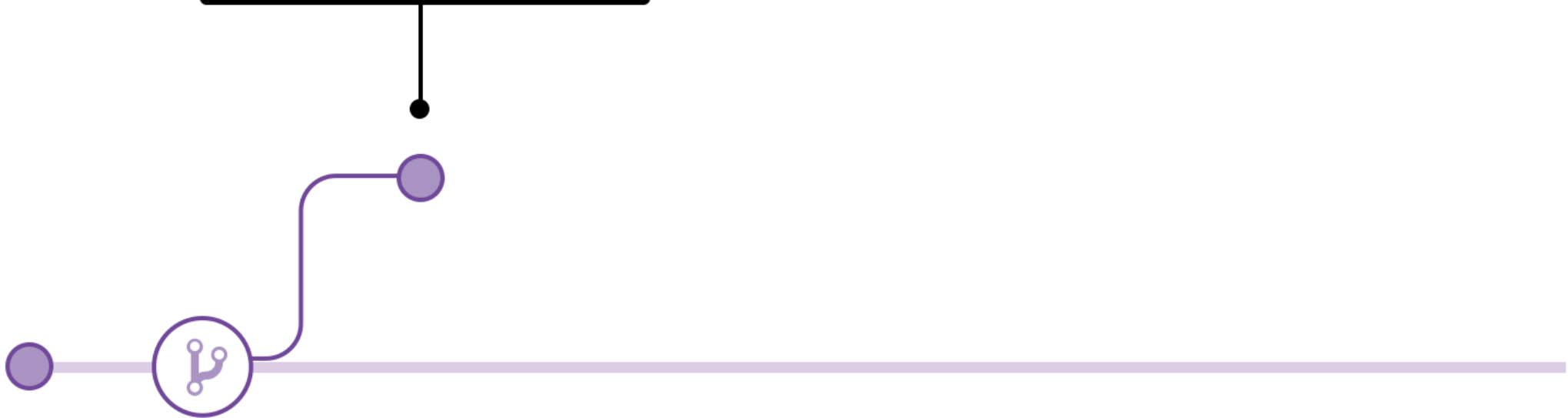
Tip of master



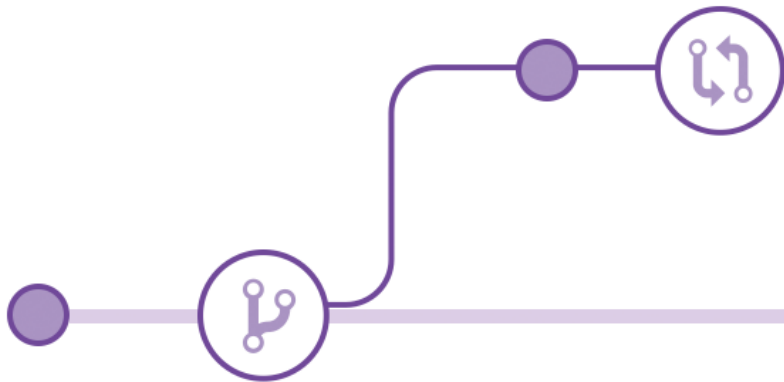
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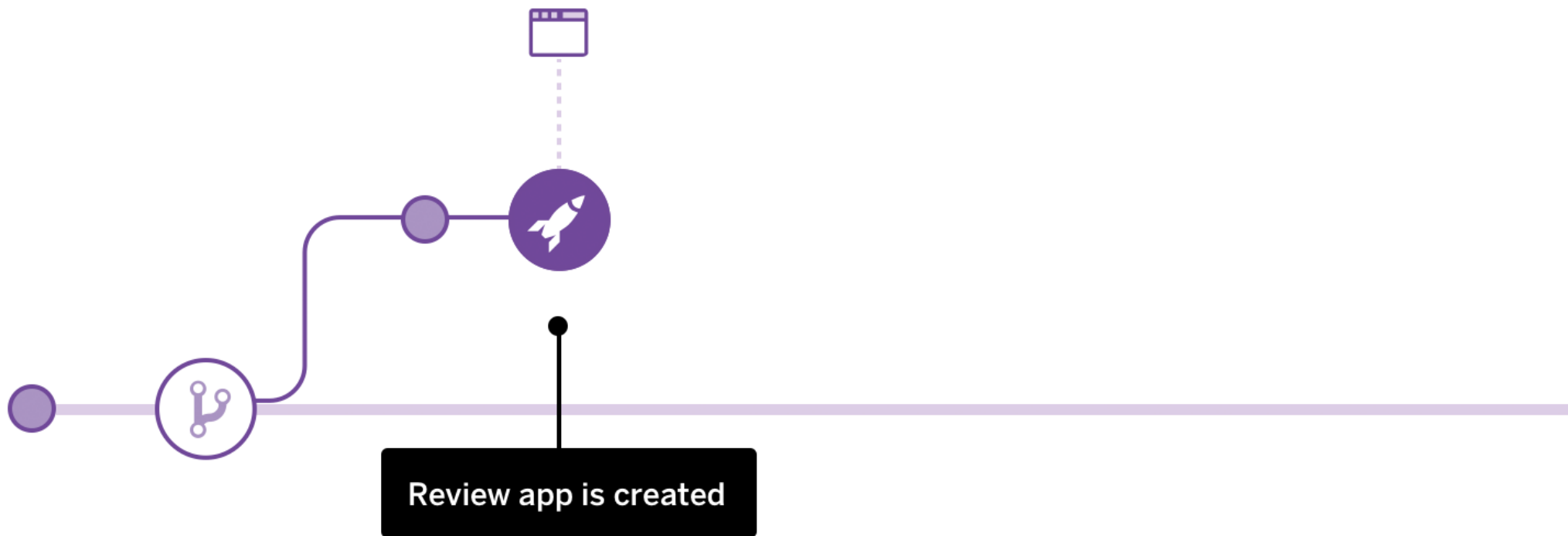


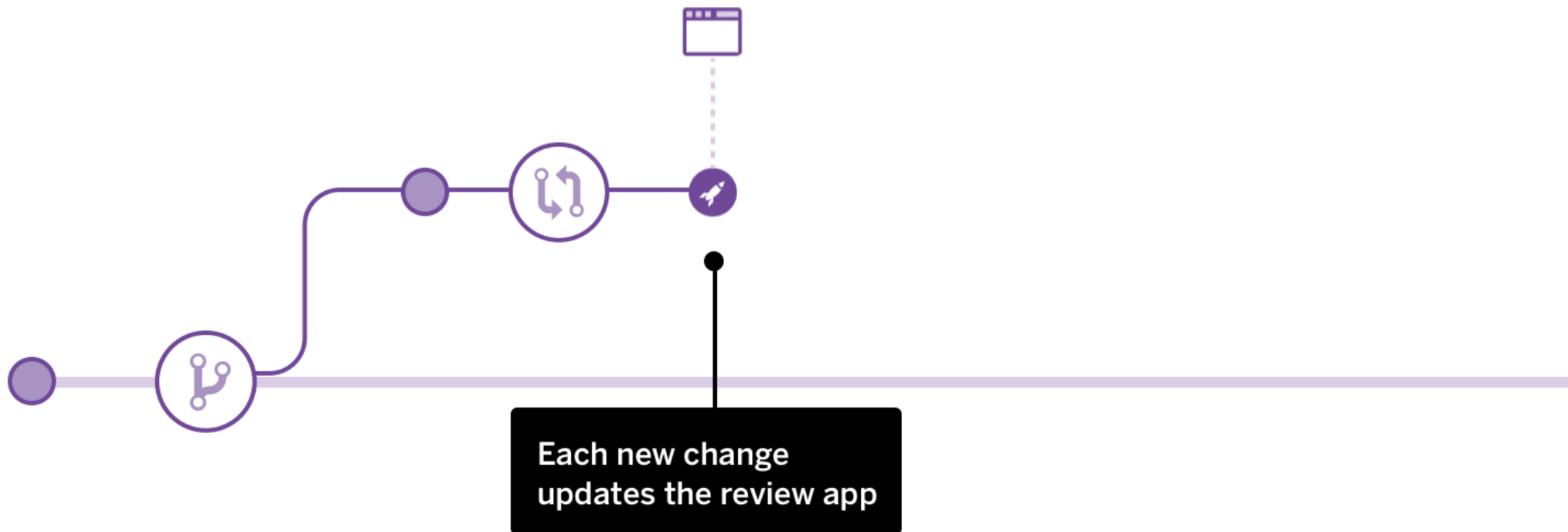
Make changes and commit

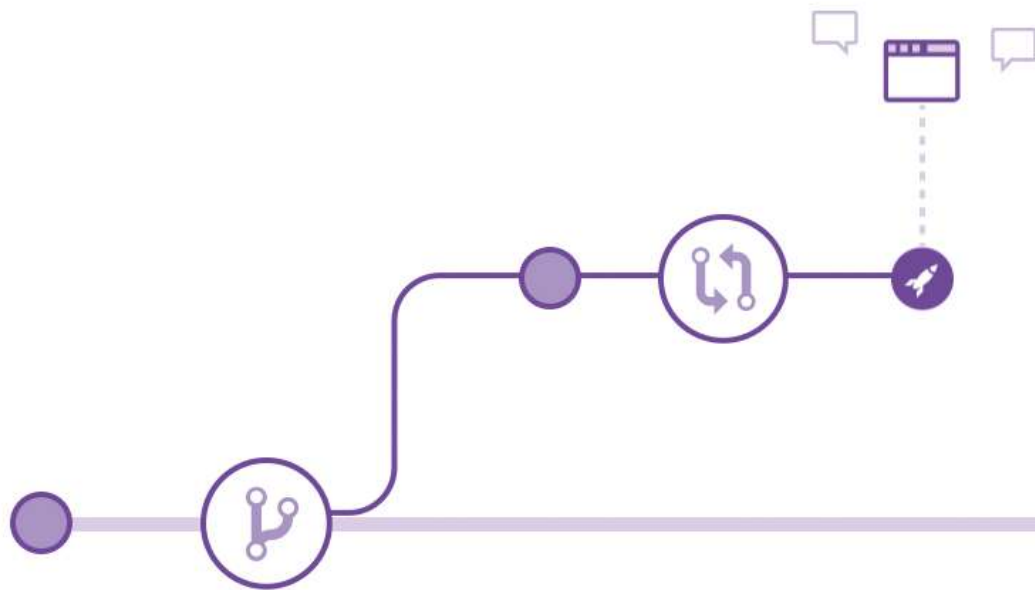


Create a pull request

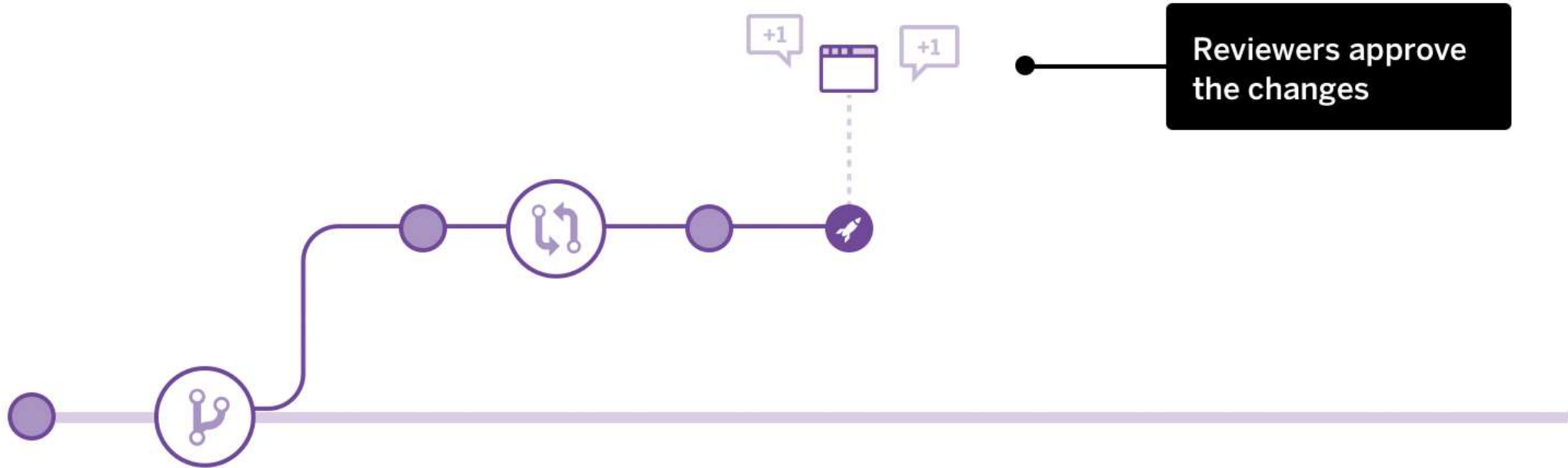


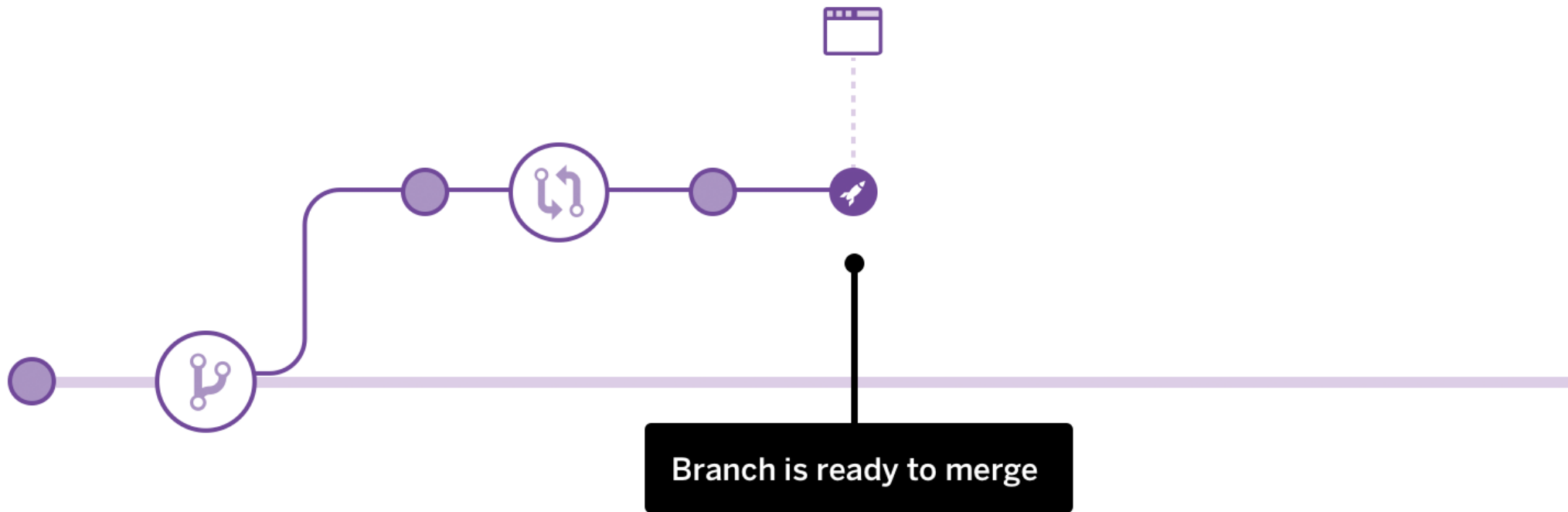


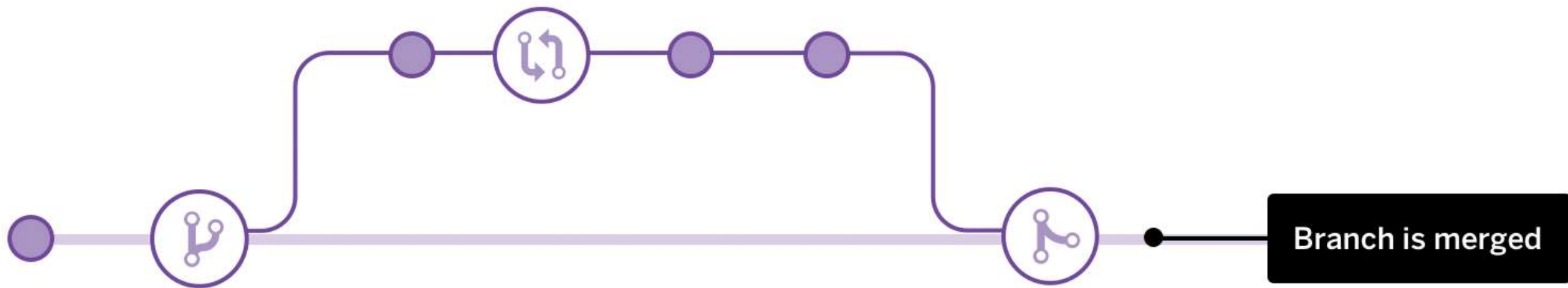


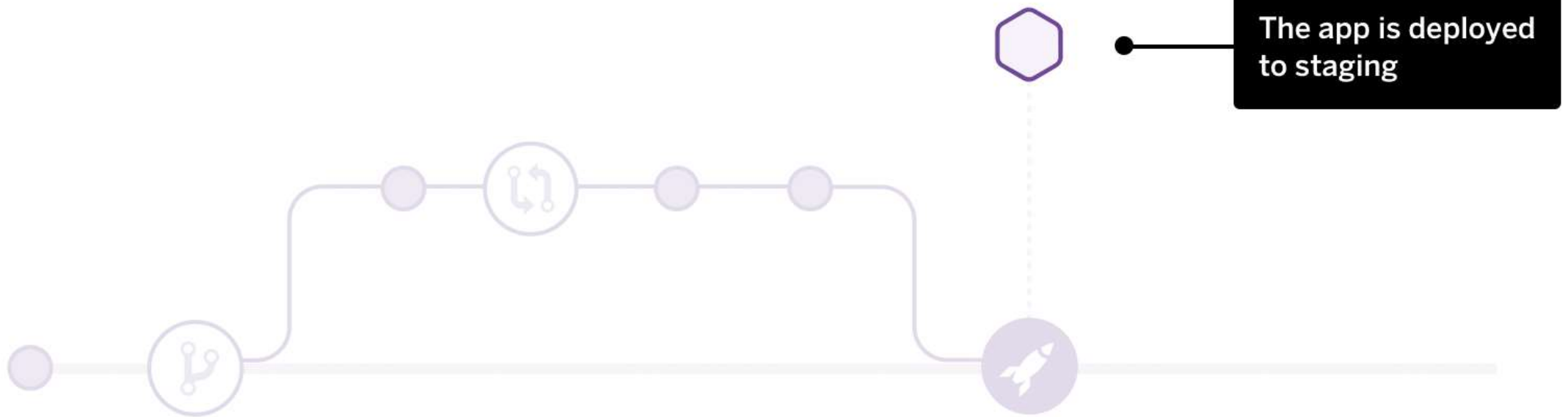


Preview, discuss, and  
test the review app

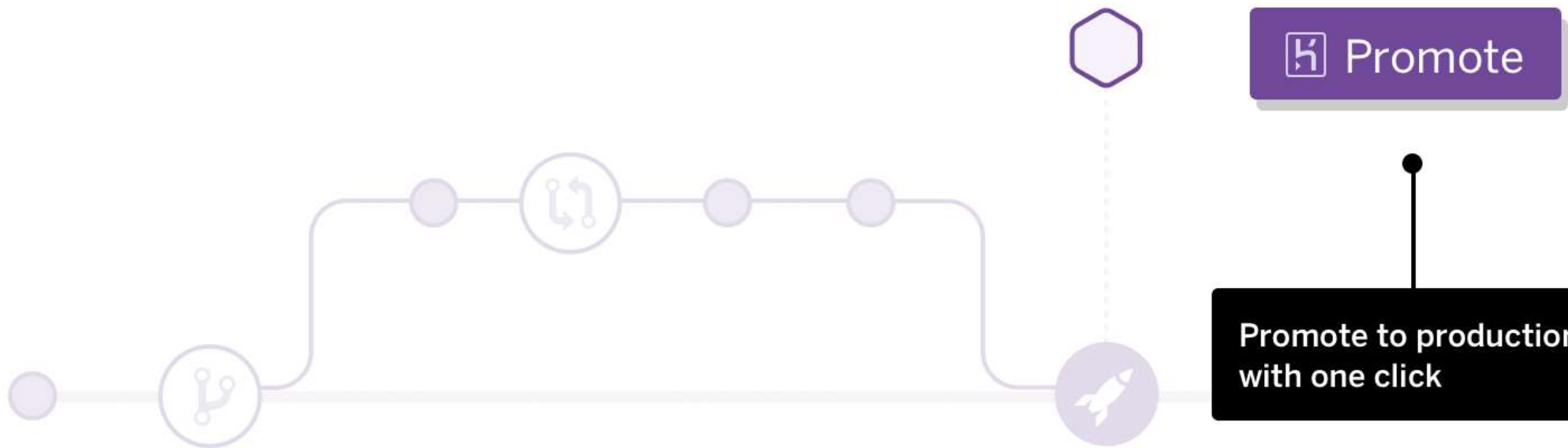


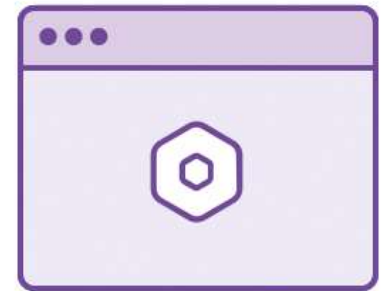
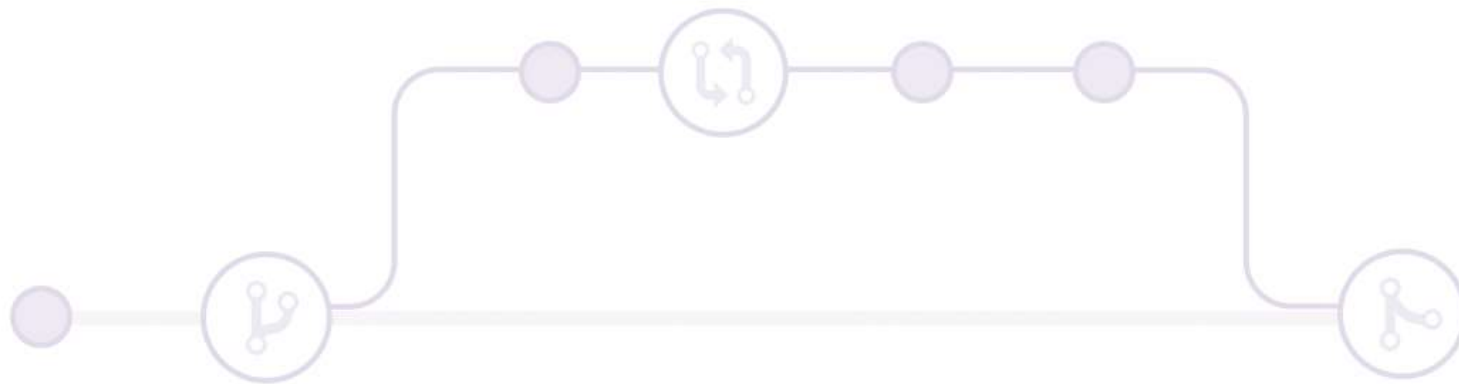






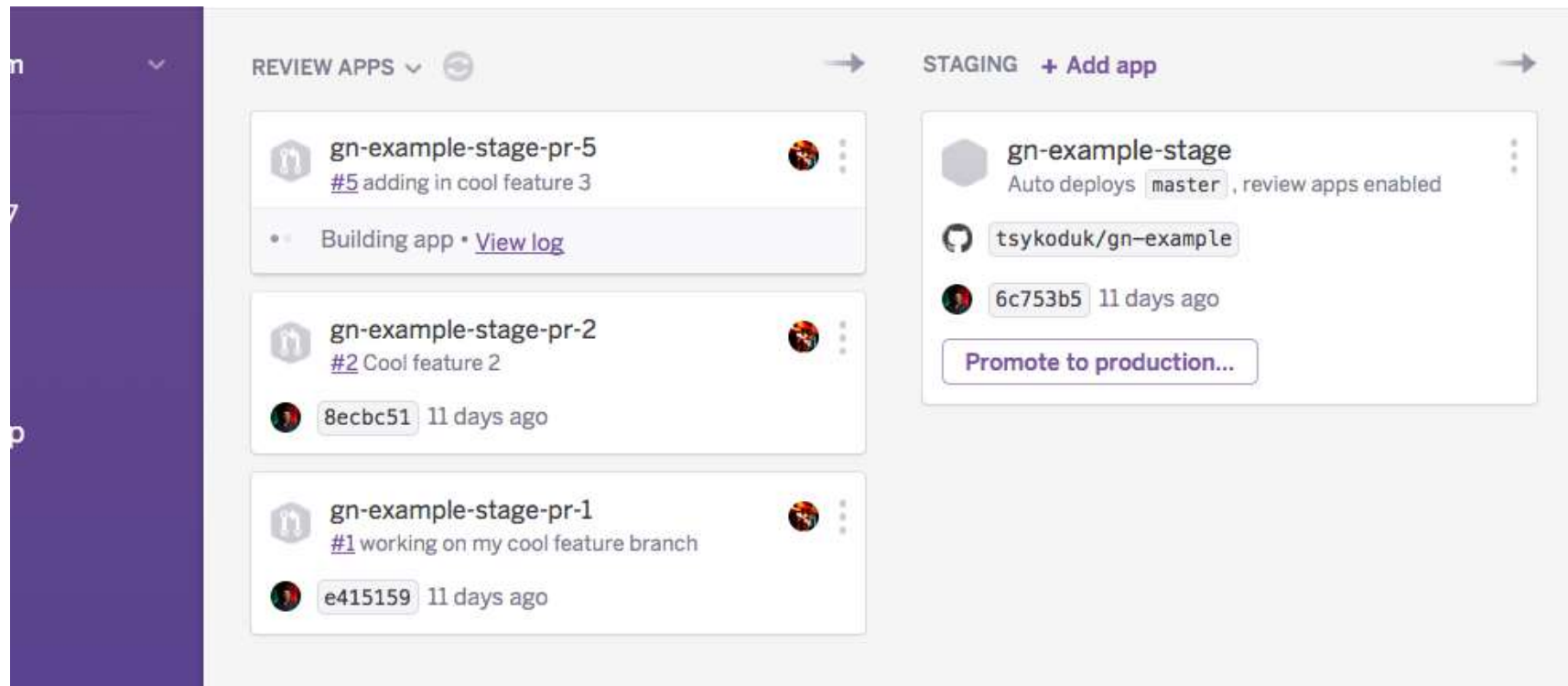




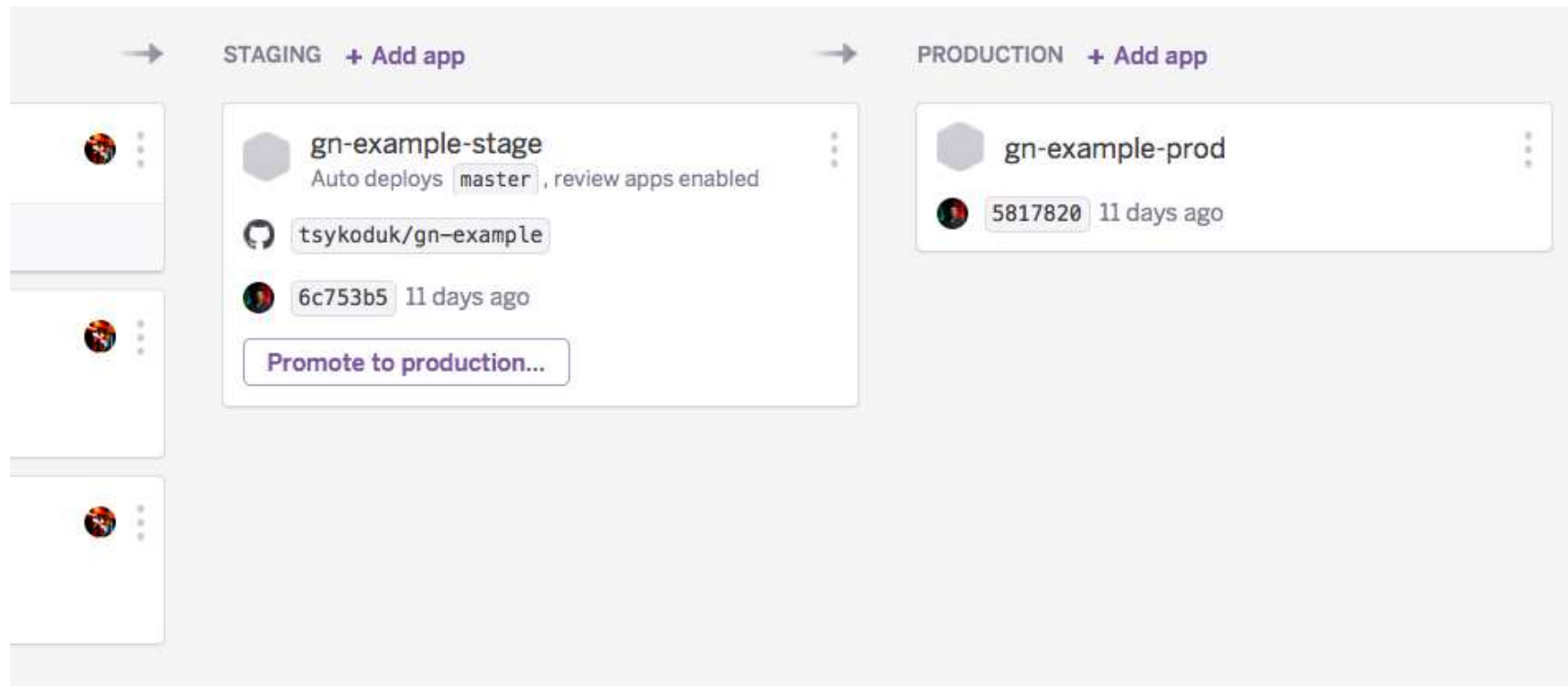


App is now in production

# Heroku Flow: Auto Deploy to Staging

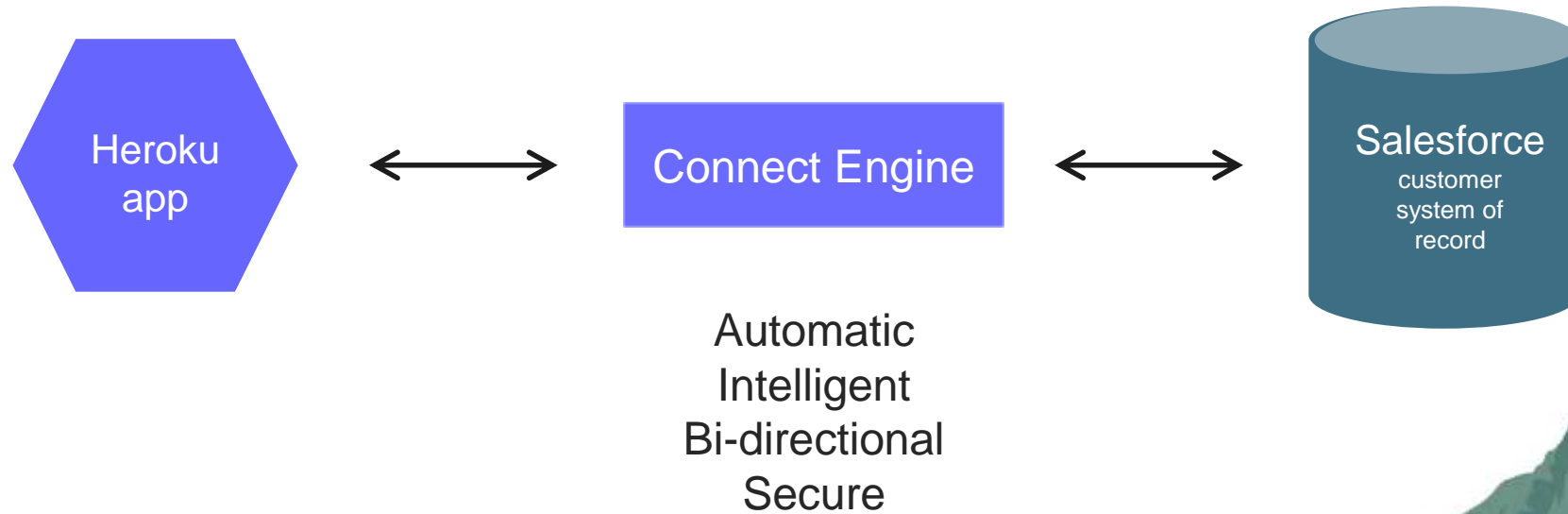


# Heroku Flow: Promote to Production



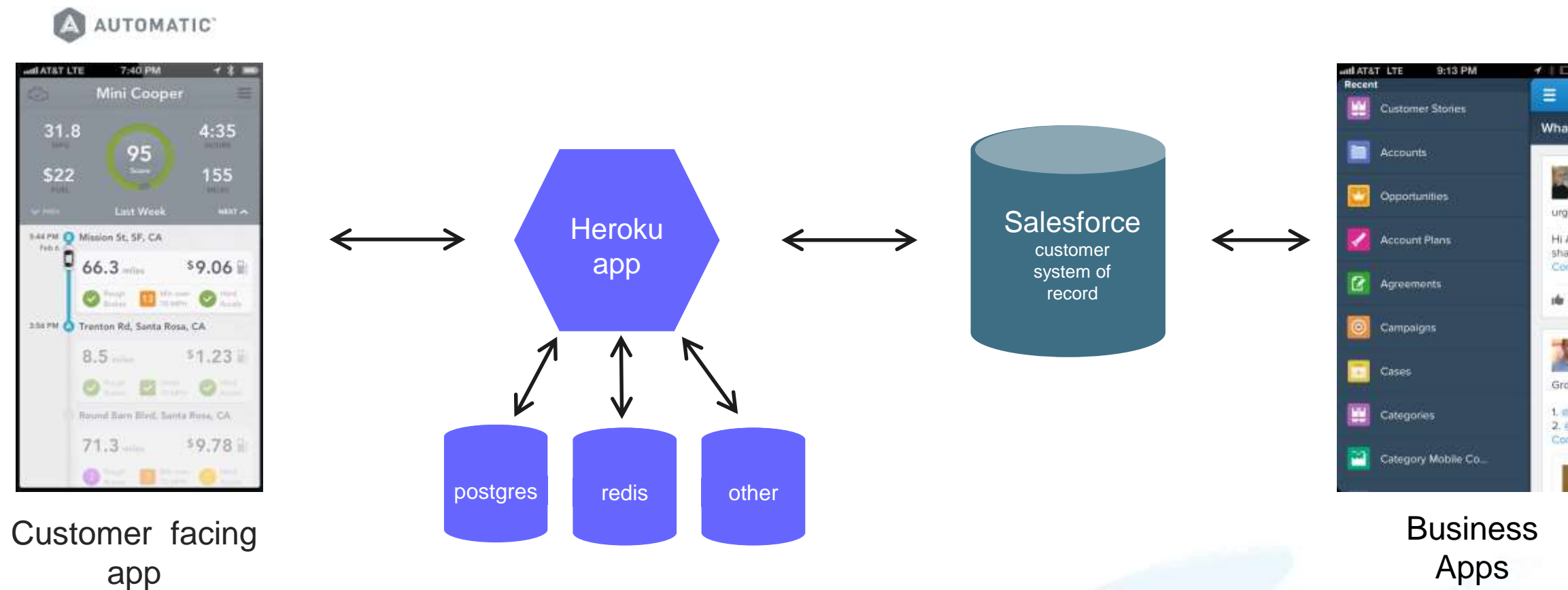
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Connect your customer apps in a whole new way



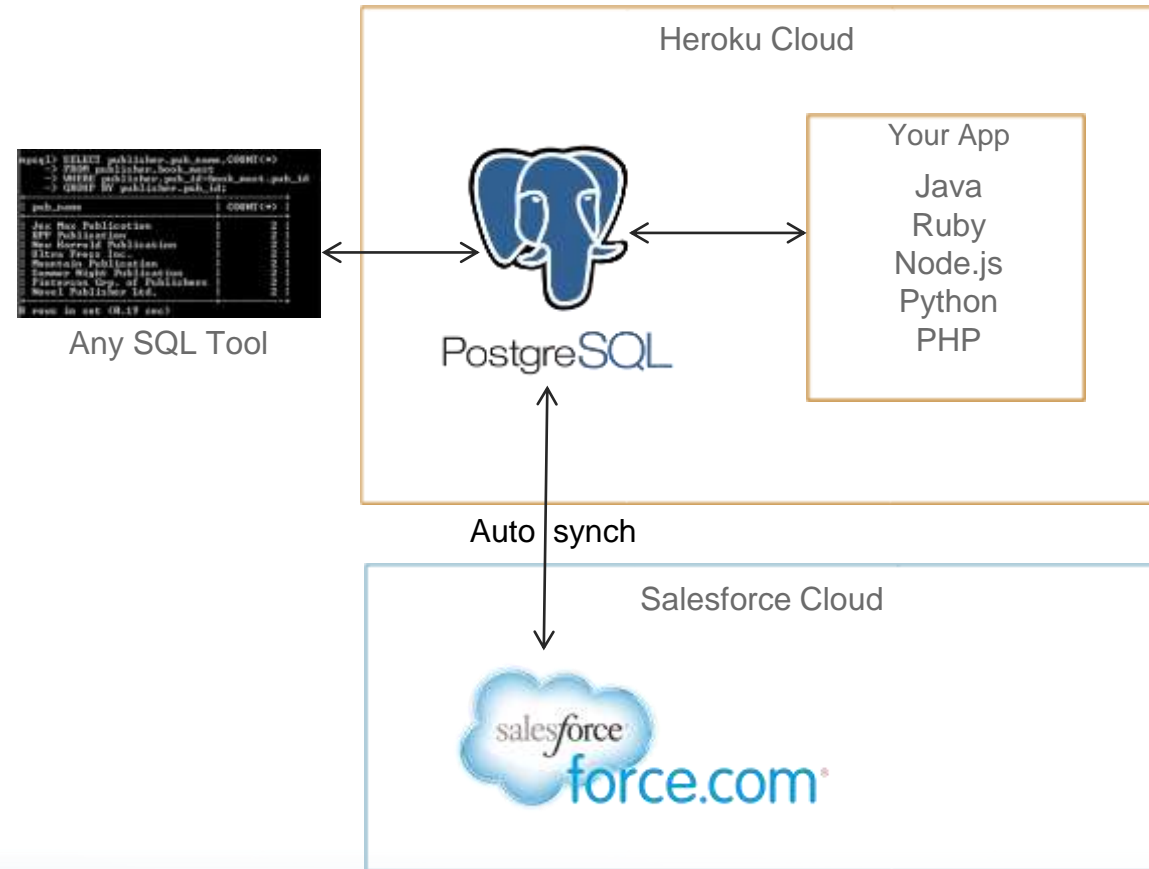
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# Heroku Connect Architecture

## Benefits



All developers know how to write apps against databases

Automatic bi-directional data synch

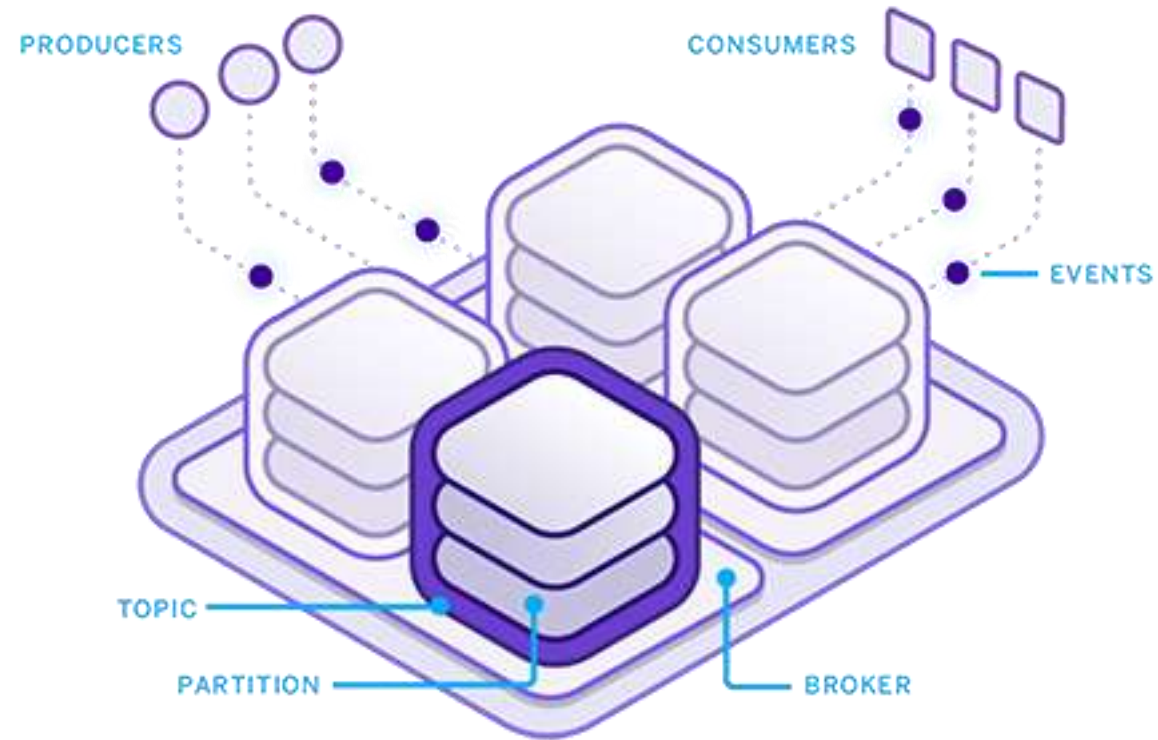
Point-and-click interface for connecting database fields with objects and fields in Salesforce

Supports multiple Salesforce orgs

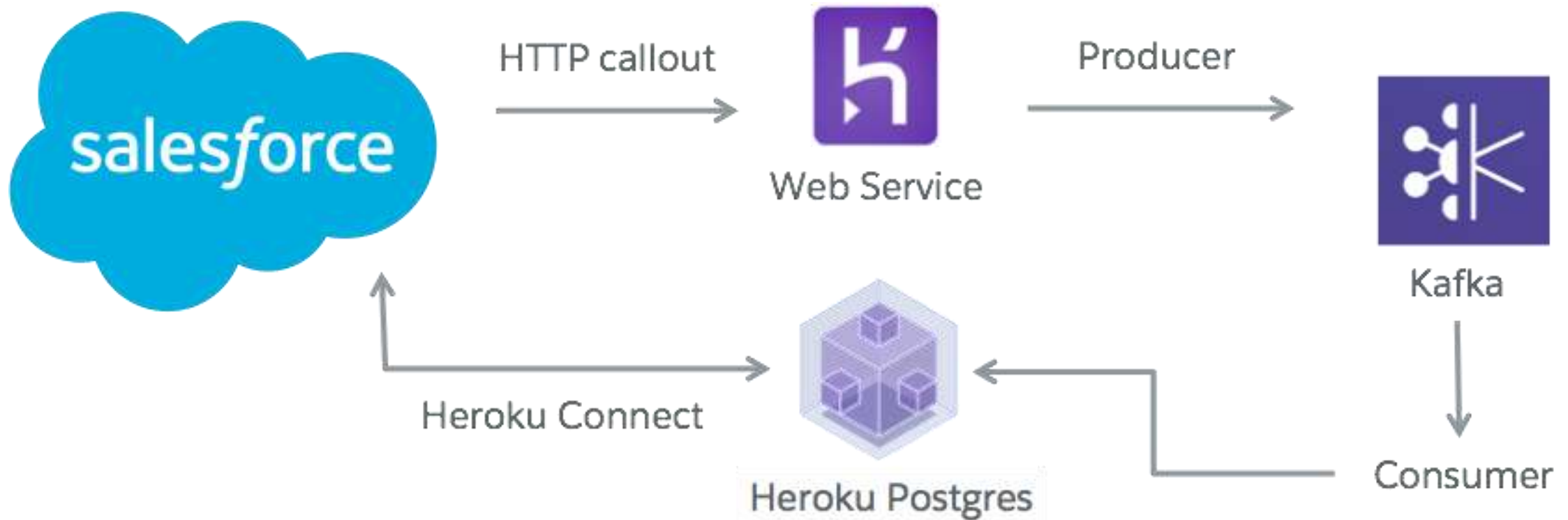
Supports Salesforce custom objects

Can dramatically reduce Force.com API call frequency

# Apache Kafka on Heroku



# Integration with Salesforce





# Q&A

# Thank You

