

Introducing IBM Hyper Protect

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Agenda

- *What is Confidential Computing?*
- *What is IBM Hyper Protect?*
- *How can I leverage this technology?*



What is confidential computing?

trust

transitive verb

\ 'trəst \

1a: to rely on the truthfulness or accuracy of

b: to place confidence in

c: to hope or expect confidently soon

2a: to commit or place in one's care or keeping

b: to permit to stay or go or to do something without fear or misgiving

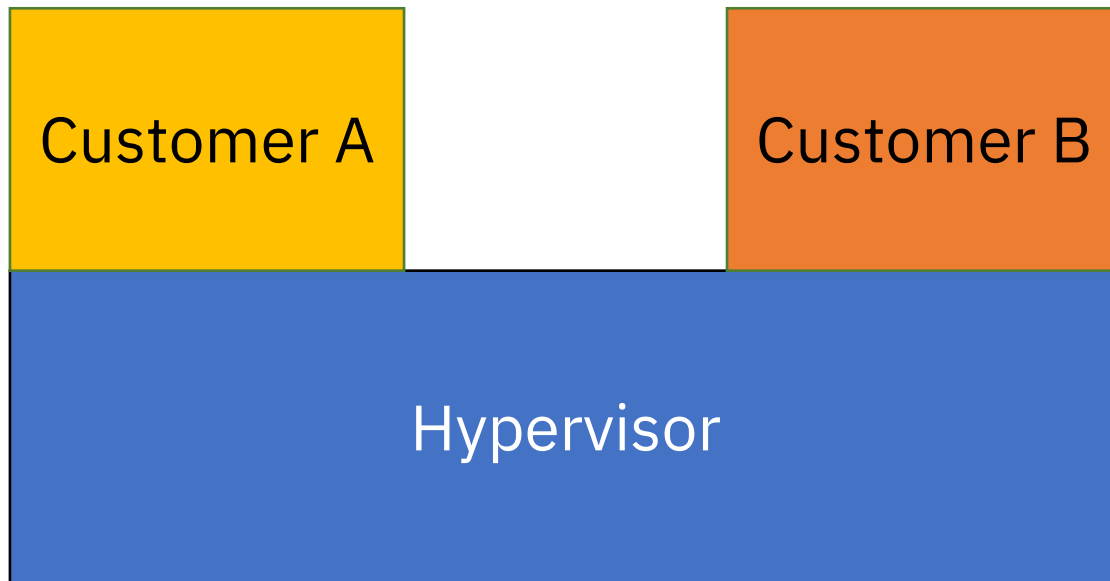
[merriam-webster.com/dictionary/trust](https://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/trust)

***In whom or what
do you trust?***

***What is most
important to you?***

The issue . . .

Our scenario



Customer A

Running multiple applications in containers in an environment somewhere . . .

Customer B

Running multiple applications in containers in an environment somewhere . . .

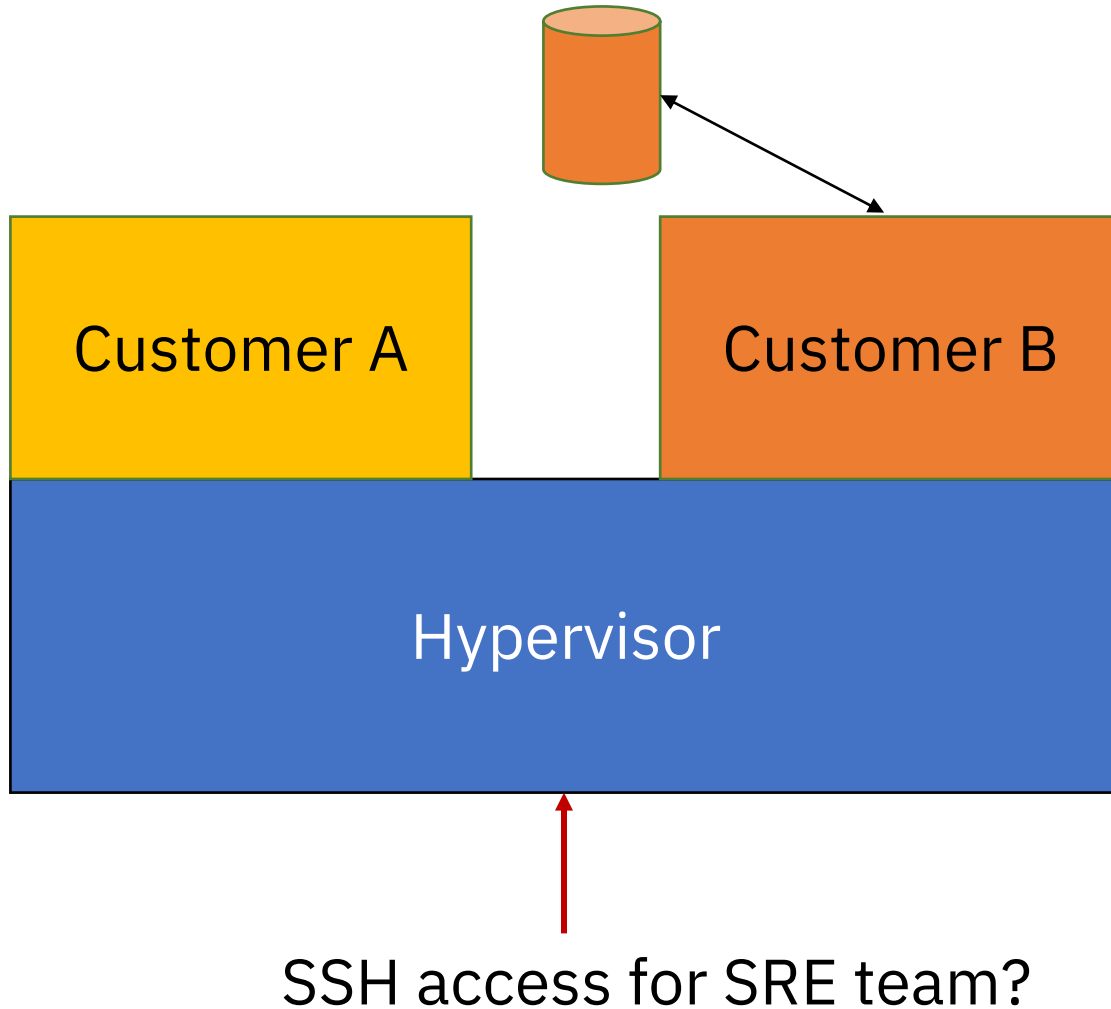
What do they have in common?

They're unknowingly, but approvingly sharing the same hypervisor that is hosting their containers.

It's a bit like sitting next to someone while commuting (remember those days!?), you're sharing a host (train, plane, bus, etc.). As long as you stay seated and don't talk, cough or touch things, you're generally self contained.

But that isn't real . . . So you may leave your commute with a new bestie or unknowingly with a horrible cold.

Questions we should be asking

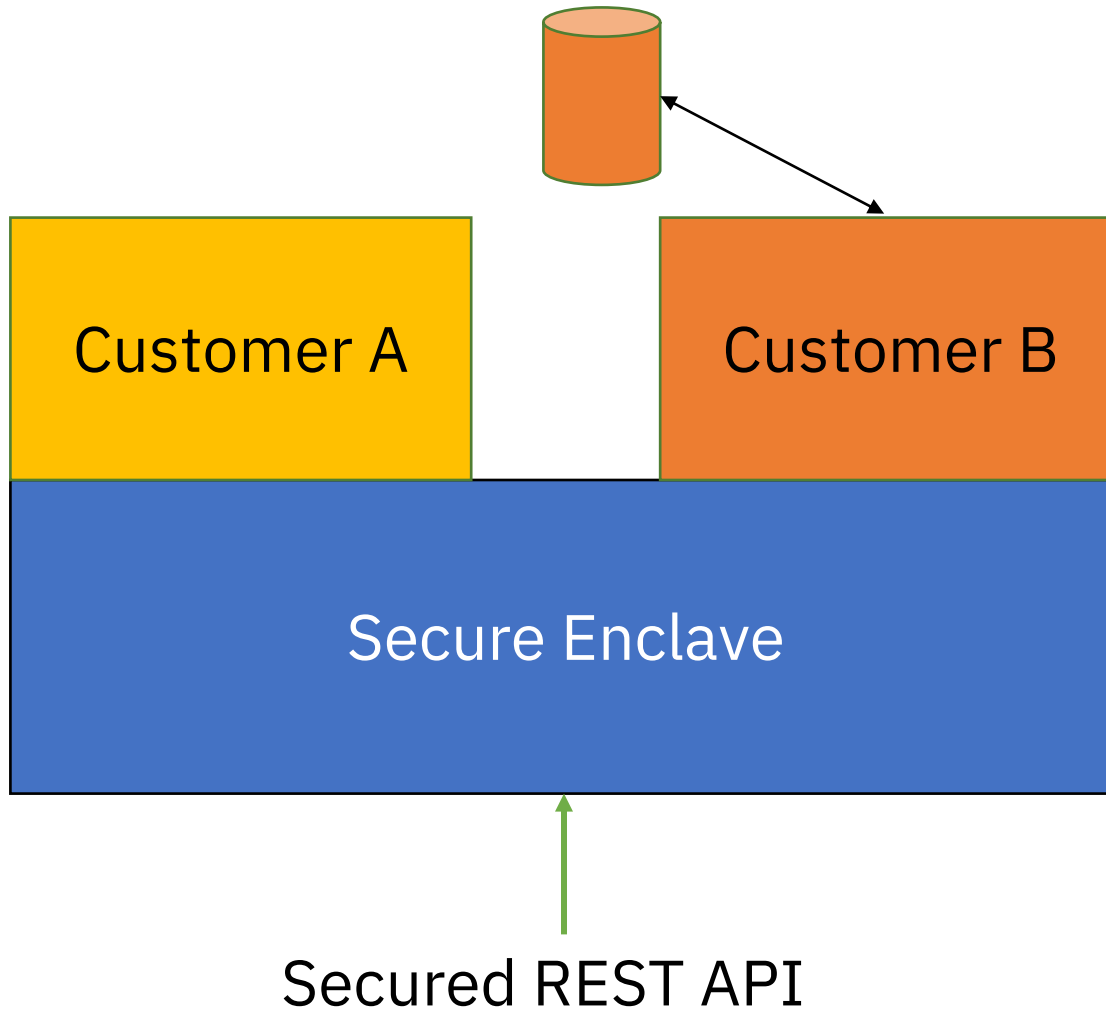


- Is my storage encrypted?
- Are the application images correct? What about verified?
- Can the Site Reliability Engineer (SRE) access my customers' data?
- How thick are the walls?
- Am I on a shared Hypervisor?
- Who has access to the hypervisor?

Addressing concerns . . .

At this point it's all about mitigating risks.

Mitigating risks



Concern	Solution
Is my storage encrypted?	An offering with keys that never leave the box
Are application images correct? What about verified?	The ability to deploy applications through offerings like Docker Content Trust
Can the SRE access my customers' data?	A solution that removes all access methods
How thick are the walls?	Build thicker walls by utilizing options other than runc
What about the hypervisor?	Add defined, restrictive, secured REST API for the hypervisor

Introducing Confidential Computing

“Confidential computing uses hardware-based techniques to isolate data, specific functions, or an entire application from the operating system, hypervisor or virtual machine manager, and other privileged processes. Data is stored in the trusted execution environment (TEE), where it’s impossible to view the data or operations performed on it from outside, even with a debugger.”

[IEEE's definition](#)

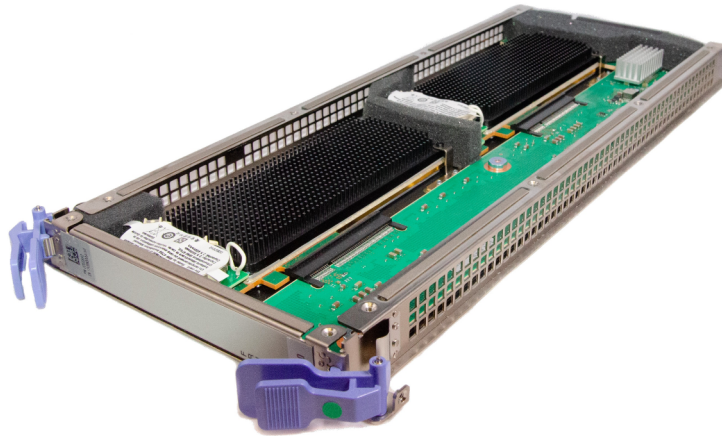
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Cryptography necessitates secure key storage

Purpose built hardware device to securely store keys

Hardware Security Module FIPS 140-2 Level 4 Certified



1. No specific physical security mechanisms are required
2. Requires features that show evidence of tampering, including tamper-evident coatings or seals
3. Attempts to prevent the intruder from gaining access, zero plaintext, etc.
4. Provide a complete envelope of protection around the cryptographic module including environmental protection



Secure Enclave (Secure Service Container)

Dynamic workloads

- Deployed as virtual machine
- Packaged and signed as docker

Backup & Restore

- Fast local snapshots
- Export/import encrypted workload backups to Cloud Object Store

Code and data protection

- Hosting Appliance signed and encrypted at build time
 - Built in a Secure Build running on another Hosting Appliance
 - Secure boot with root key in HW/FW and protected memory
- All data disks are encrypted with Secure Service Container managed keys
 - Hosting Appliance root keys inserted by secure build

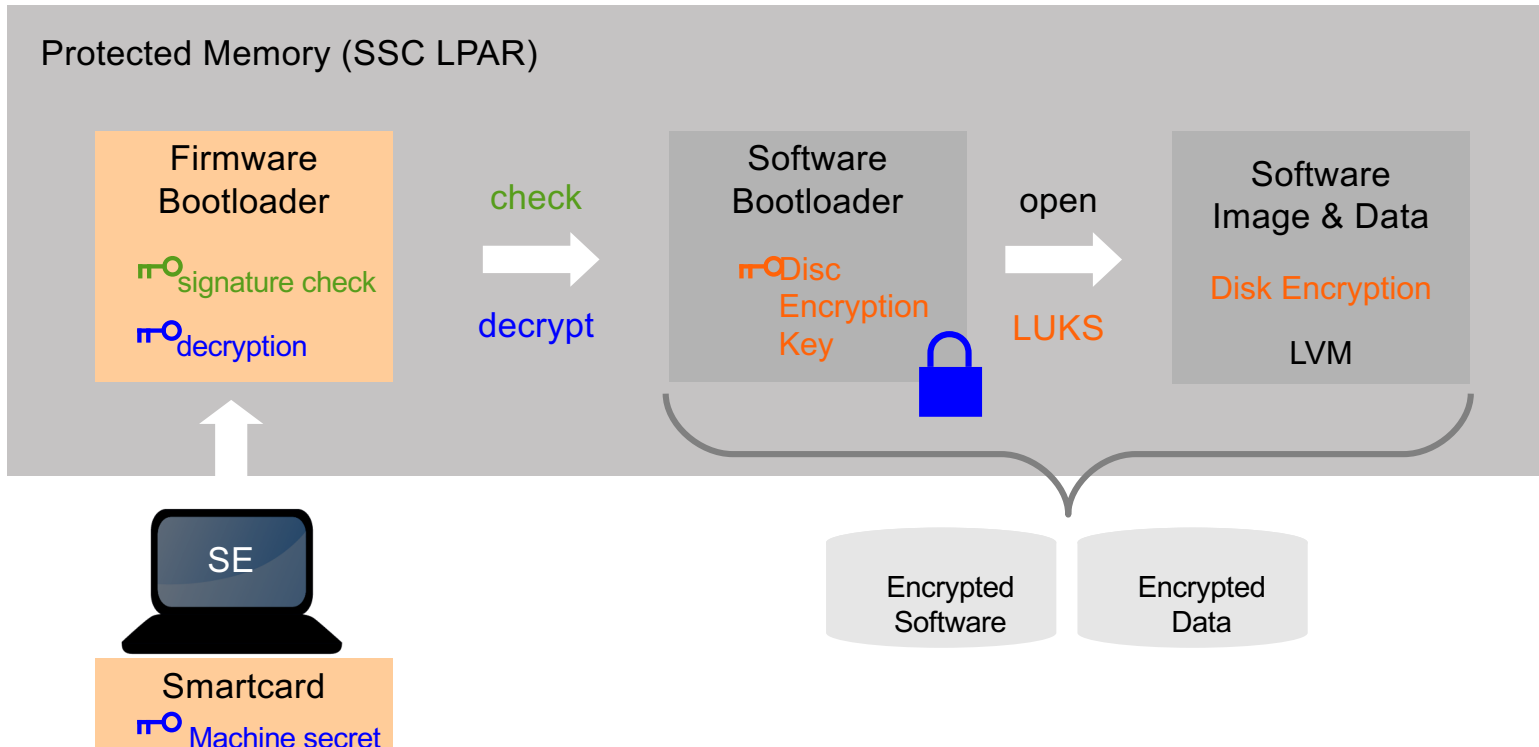
Appliance experience

- Ready to run image with all required Software
- Locked down for security and easy of use
- Updates replace all code while preserving data
- Data in separated volumes

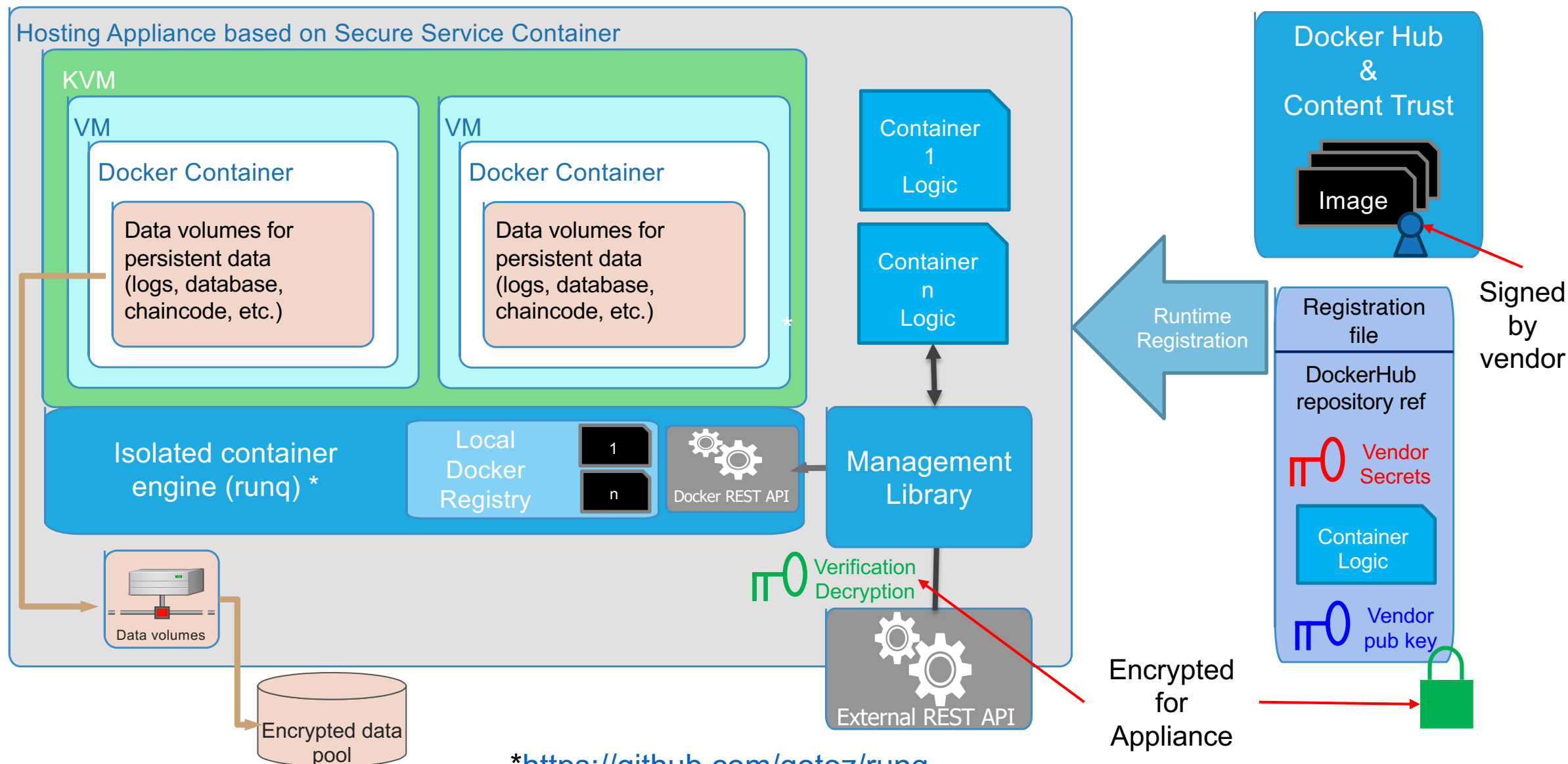
Encrypted, Signed, Tamper Resistant, Protected

Boot sequence

1. Firmware bootloader is loaded in memory
2. Firmware loads the software bootloader from disk
 1. Check integrity of software bootloader
 2. Decrypt software bootloader
3. Software bootloader activate encrypted disks
 1. Key stored in software bootloader (encrypted)
 2. Encryption/decryption done on the flight when accessing appliance code & data
4. Appliance designed to be managed by remote APIs only
 - REST APIs to configure Linux and apps
 - No ssh (allowed in dev mode)

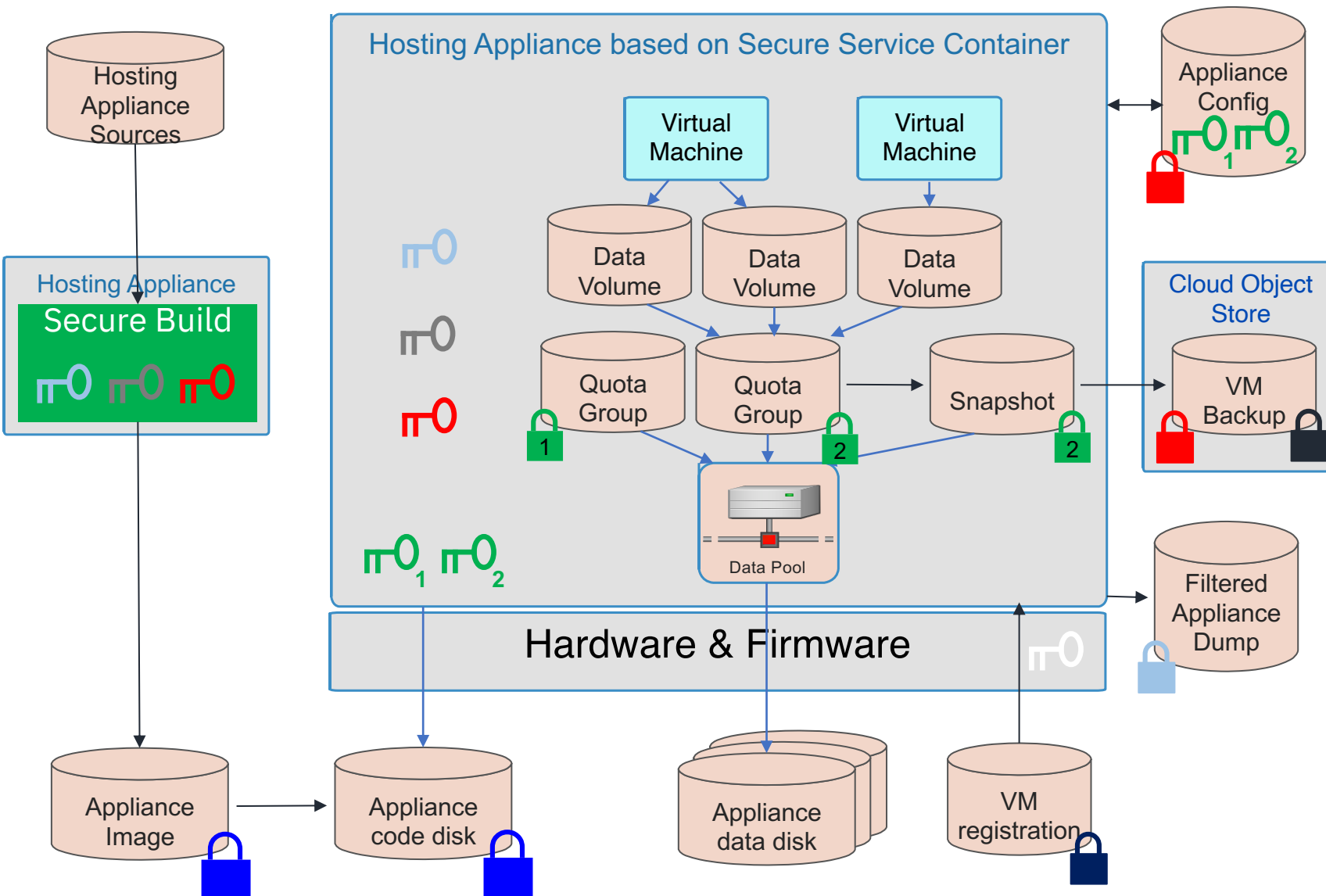


Deploying workloads at runtime



*<https://github.com/gotoz/runq>

Code and data encryption flows



Hosting Appliance keys
(inserted at secure build)

π_0 Appliance2Vendor communication

π_0 Vendor2Appliance communication

π_0 Appliance2Appliance communication

Data Keys
(created at runtime)

π_0_1 Quota group (logical volume)

IBM Hyper Protect Offerings

IBM Cloud Hyper Protect Services

Industry-leading security for Cloud data, digital assets and workloads



Hyper Protect Crypto Services Keep your own keys for cloud data encryption protected by a dedicated cloud HSM* * Industry's only FIPS 140-2 level 4 certified HSM	Hyper Protect DBaaS Complete data confidentiality for your sensitive data (PostgreSQL, MongoDB EE)	Hyper Protect Virtual Servers Instantiate Linux VMs with own public SSH key to maintain exclusive access to code and data (Ubuntu) (BYOI) <i>Also available to run on-premises</i>
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IBM Cloud Hyper Protect



Built On



LinuxONE secure enclaves



Secure
Service
Container

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IBM Cloud Hyper Protect Crypto Service is built on the Secure Service Container

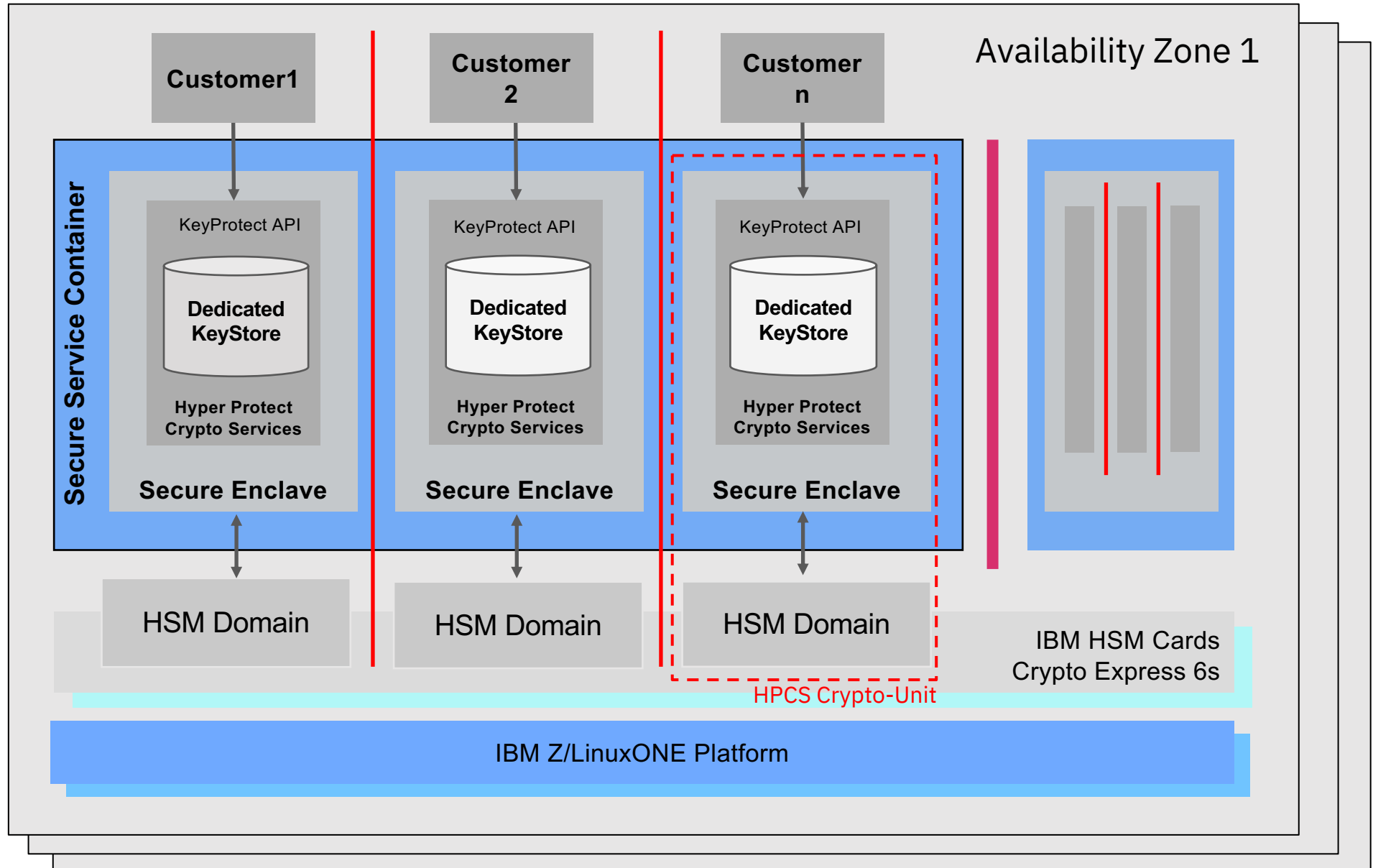
Applications and Data
Services connect via
KeyProtect APIs

Dedicated KeyStore per
Tenant encrypted with
customer unique HSM
Domain master key

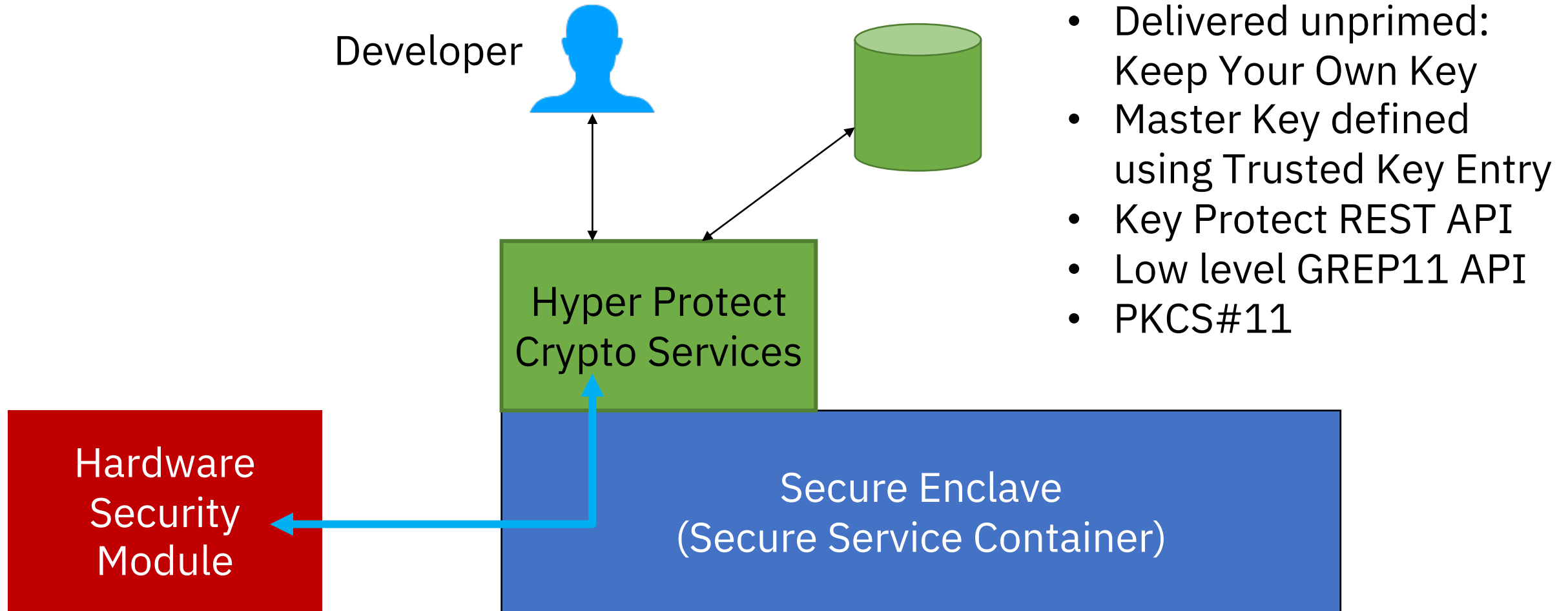
Secure enclaves ensure
keys are never leaked

Secure Service Container
Locked-down, tamper-
resistant installation and
runtime. No technical way
for IBM to access runtimes
or data

**FIPS 140-2 Level 4
compliant HSM Domains**
for highest physical
protection of secrets. No
export of master key at all
and customer root keys in
clear possible.



IBM Cloud Hyper Protect Crypto Services



For more information on IBM Cloud Hyper
Protect Services:

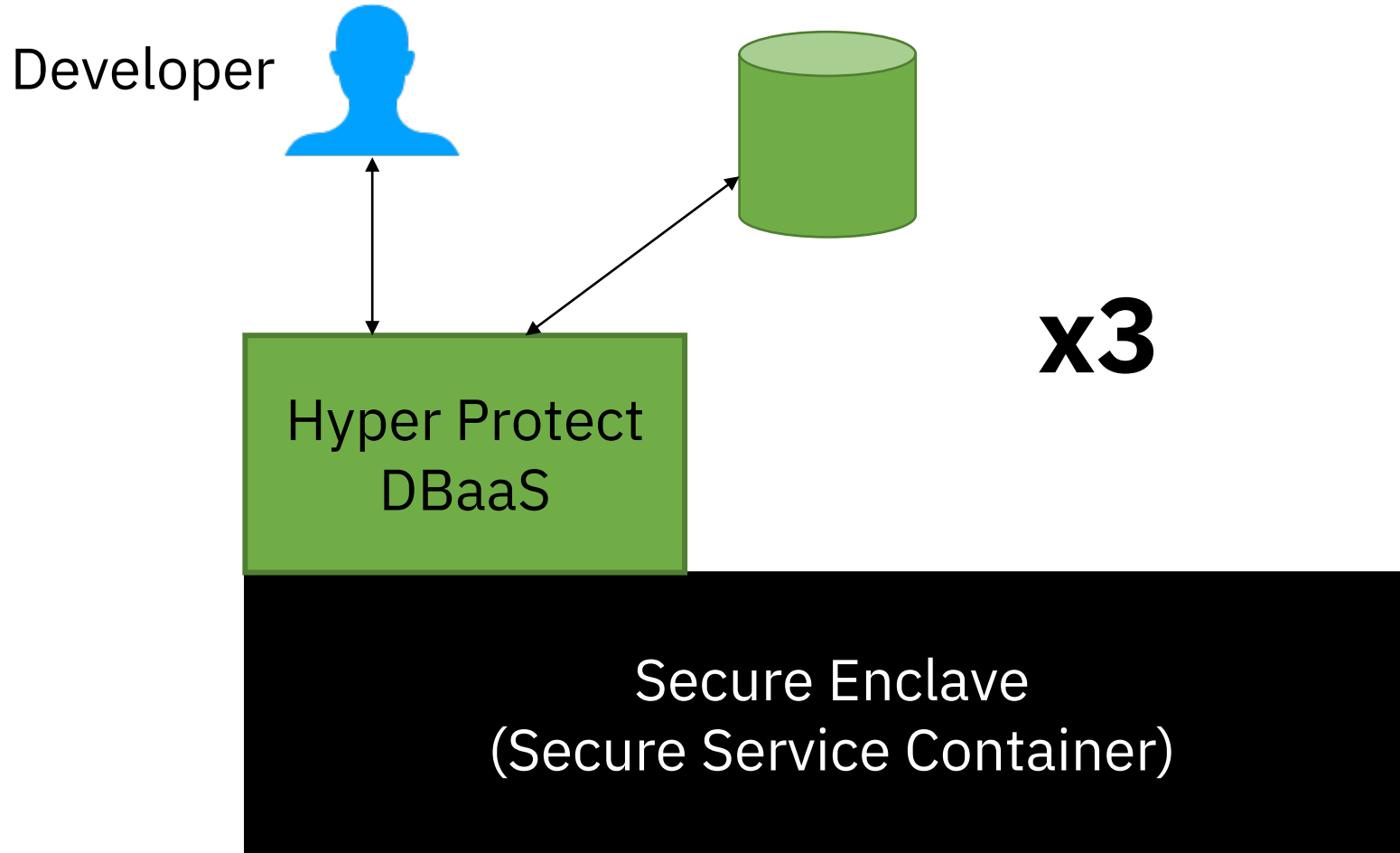
**Secret Management with IBM Cloud Hyper Protect Crypto
Services**

Sandeep Batta

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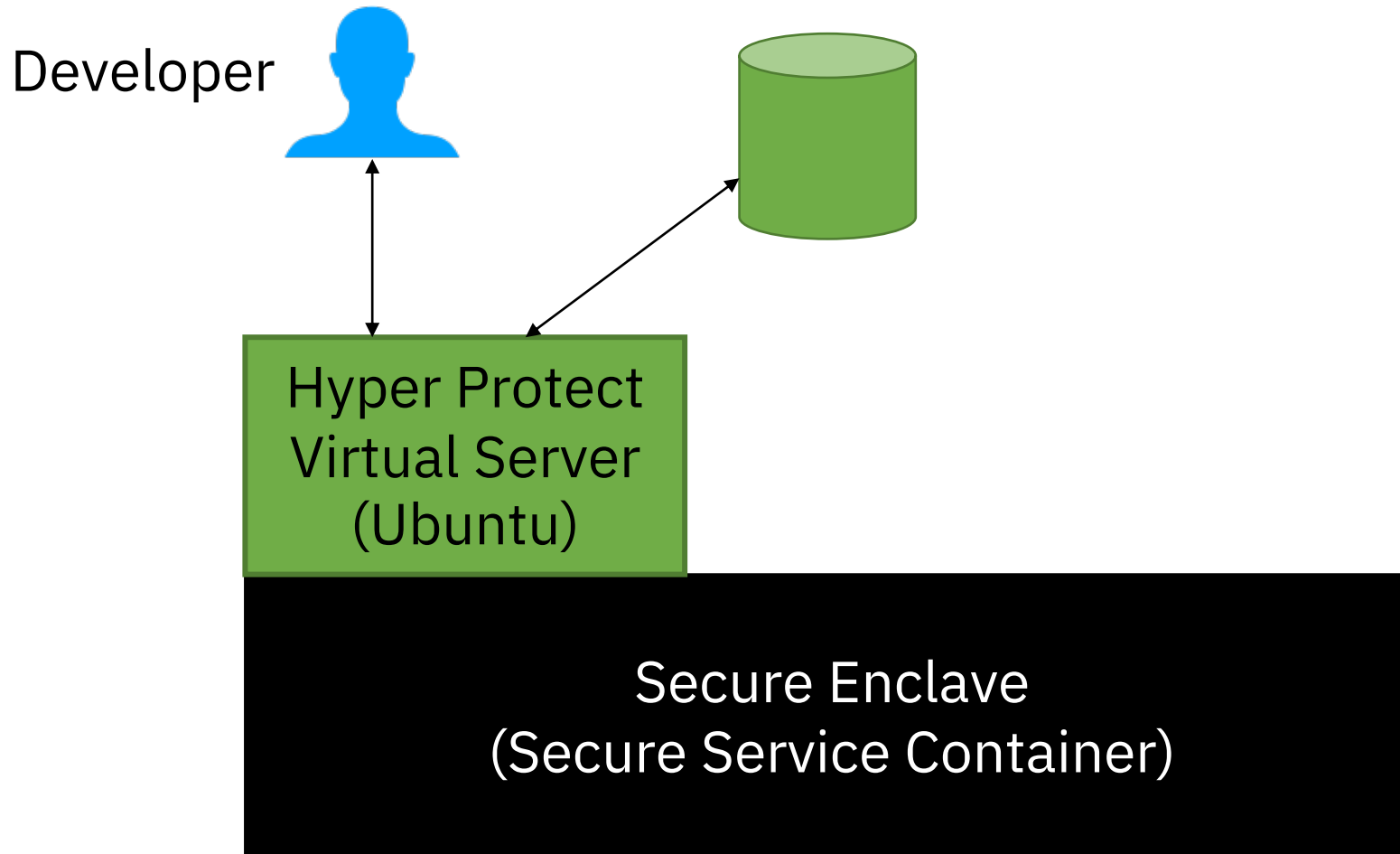
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IBM Cloud Hyper Protect Database as a Service



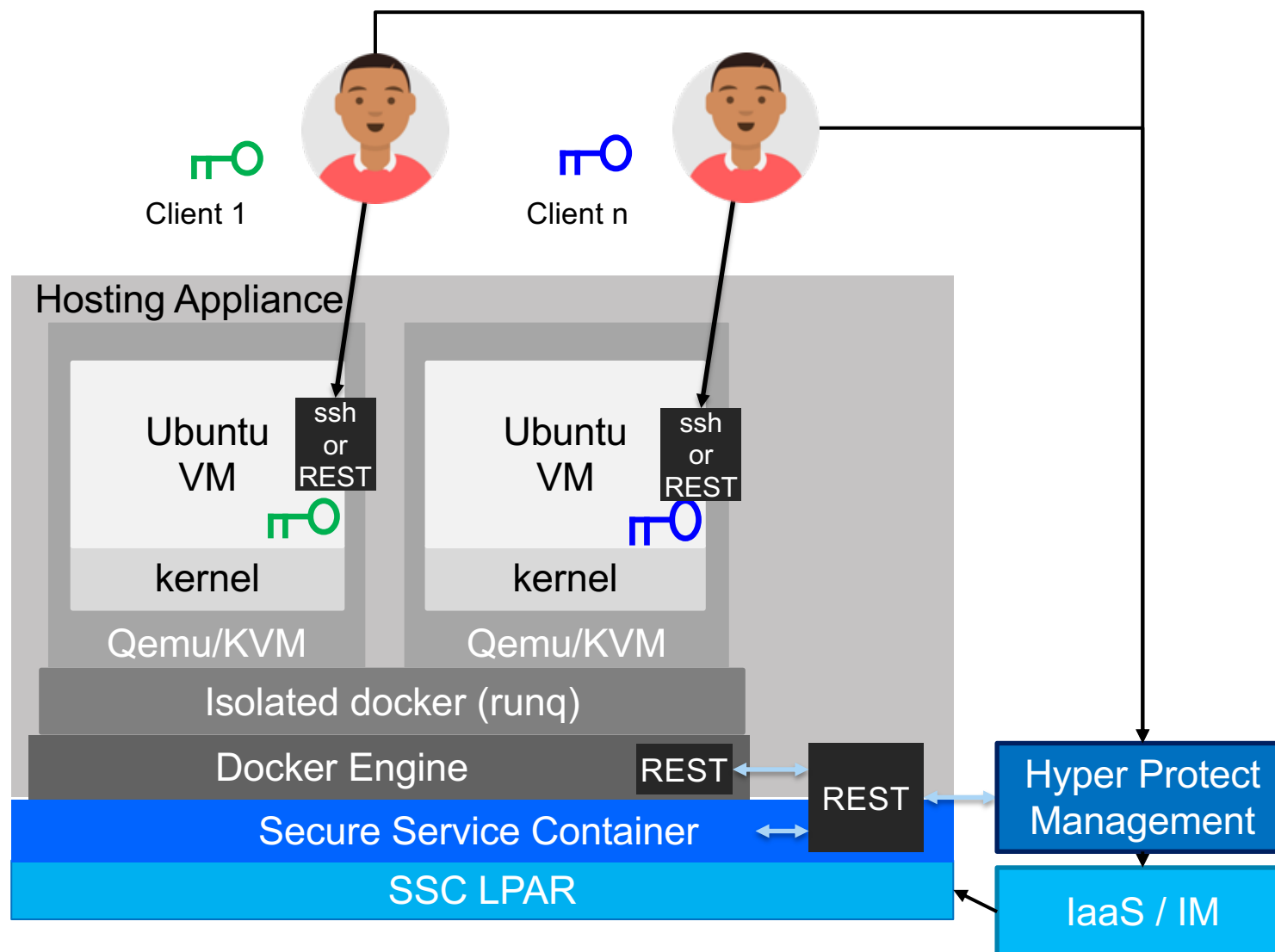
- Primary + 2 secondaries
- Fully managed
- Encryption key never leaves the enclave
- Encrypted logs & storage
- MongoDB EE
- PostgreSQL

IBM Hyper Protect Virtual Servers



- Access only via SSH with key
- Key inserted into server image, not accessible to SREs
- Ports closed by default

IBM Cloud Hyper Protect Virtual Servers



Open Virtual Machine

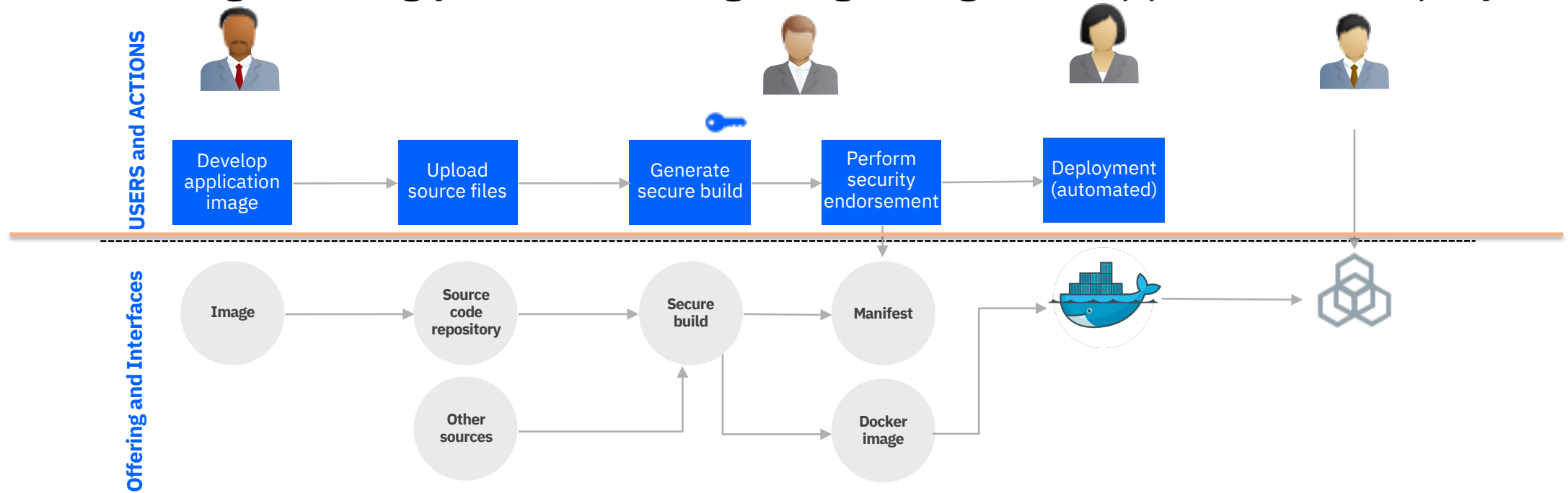
- Customer provides ssh public key at creation time
- Ubuntu (or other Linux OS) is deployed with enabled ssh in Virtual Server protected by ssh key
- **System/Appliance admin cannot get into VM**
- **Easy adoption** - can manage like regular Linux on Z VM

Locked-down Virtual Machine

- Customer/ISV builds the Virtual Server workload
- Workload deployed at build time – no need for ssh to install at runtime
- **Full SSC security value proposition** - Management done with Remote APIs&UI to the Virtual Server : lock-down access possible as done by Blockchain Enterprise and Hyper Protect services

IBM Hyper Protect Virtual Server (on-premises)

Trusted CI/CD Stages: Bring your Own Image, Sign, Register, Approve and Deploy



Workload Lifecycle Phases

- Code Development
- Workload Build
- Pre-Production
- Production

Threat Vectors pose **Potential Risks**

- Alter workload
- Alter build environment
- Modify workload deployment conditions
- Secrets visible to admin

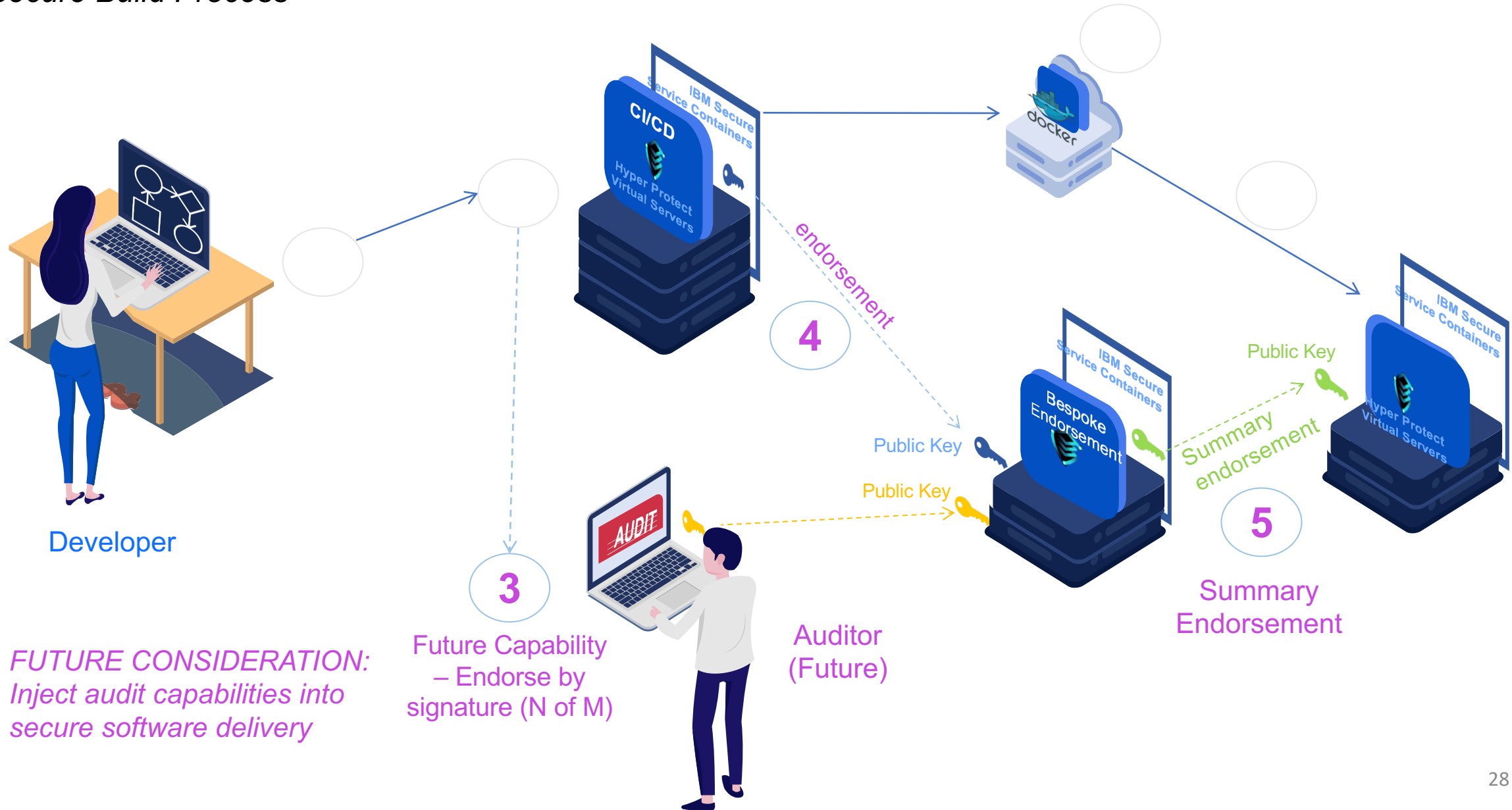
How Hyper Protect Virtual Servers

COMBATS risks:

- **Sign** application via secure build flow
- **Encrypt** and **register** application configuration info
- **Check image provenance** via workload **manifest**
- **Decrypt** application **registration file** – only possible via Secure Service Container (trusted execution environment)
- **Manage** infrastructure **via only RESTful interfaces**

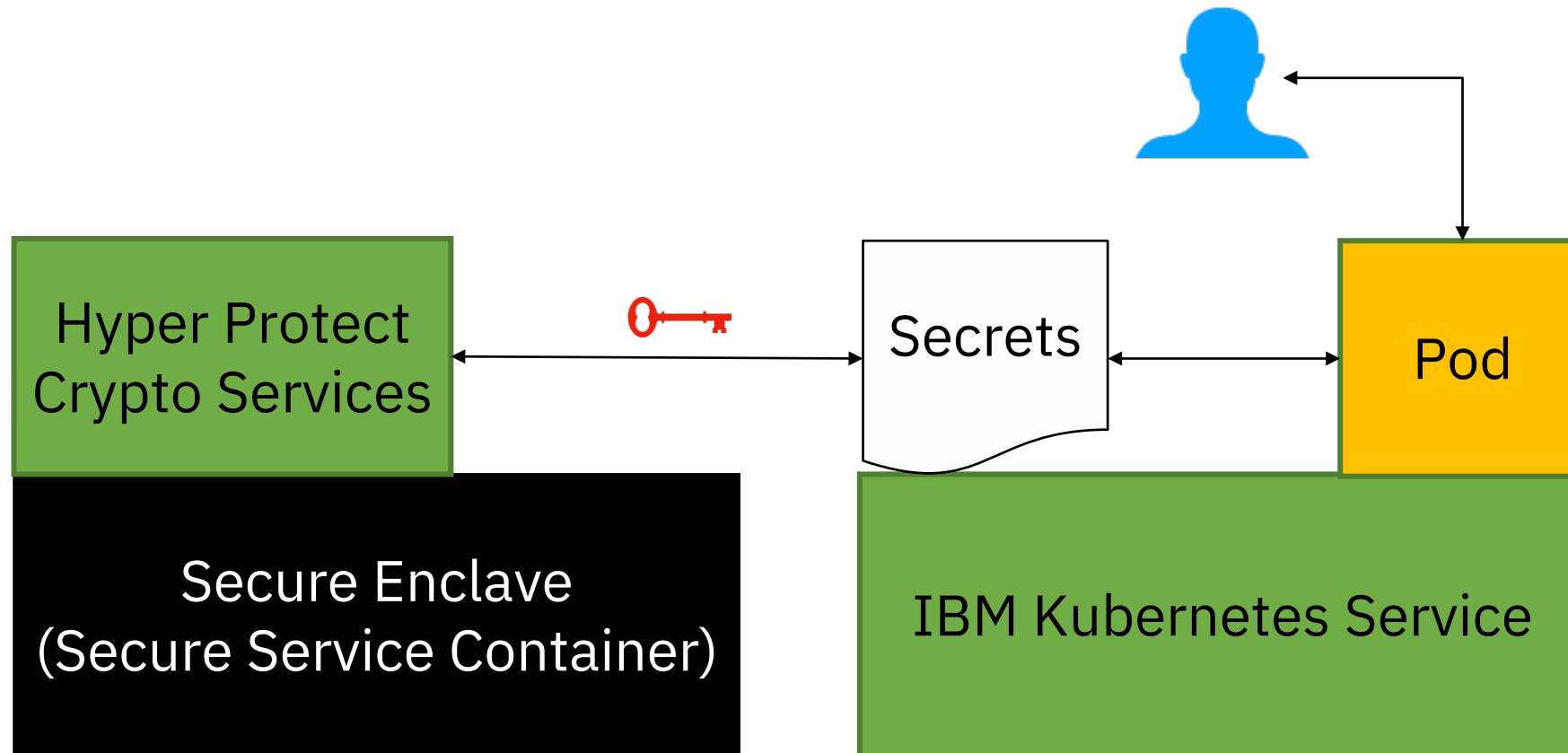
IBM Hyper Protect Virtual Servers – A Trusted CI/CD

Secure Build Process



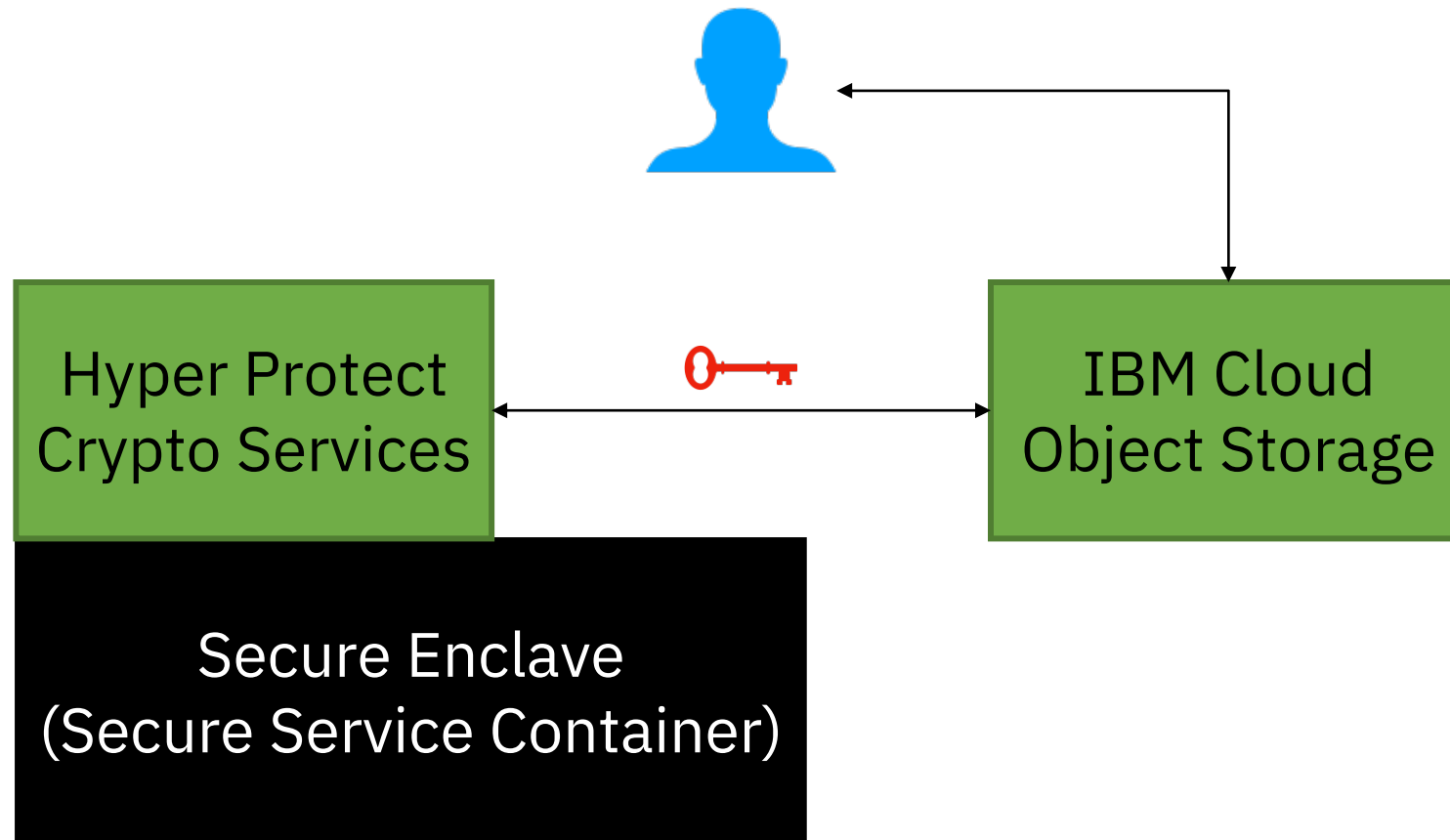
How IBM Hyper Protect
is being used

IBM Cloud Hyper Protect Crypto Services + IBM Kubernetes Service Secrets



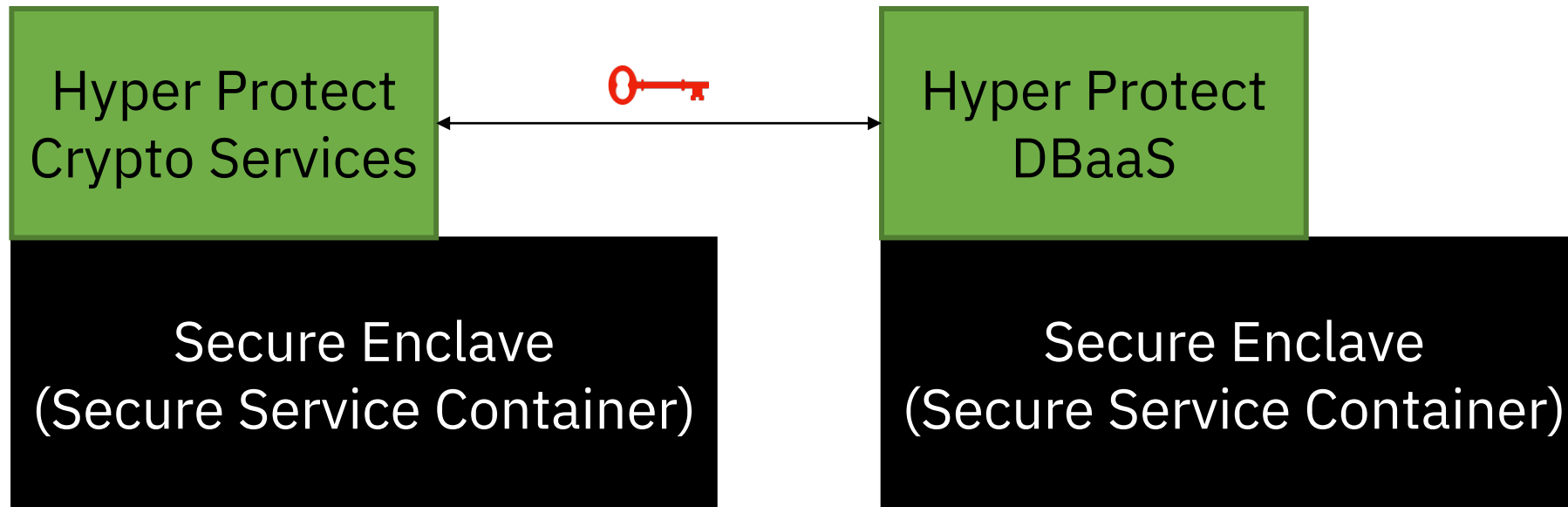
- Kubernetes can provide secrets to pods: OAuth tokens, passwords, etc.
- Pods can read secrets when stood up
- Transparent encryption of secrets

IBM Cloud Hyper Protect Crypto Services + IBM Cloud Object Storage



- Connect the services to encrypt objects put into a bucket
- Backup and recovery
- Data archiving
- Binary blob storage

IBM Cloud Hyper Protect Crypto Services + IBM Cloud Hyper Protect DBaaS (KYOK)



- KYOK: store the key in the HSM
- Use tamper-resistant hardware

Hyper Protect Virtual Servers

Hyper Protect
Virtual Server
(Ubuntu)

Secure Enclave
(Secure Service Container)

- Secure CI/CD server: use it to build and/or run your applications
- Offsite build: docker doesn't cross-compile
- Only production-ready cloud s390x Linux platform
- Quickly spin up dev/test systems with reduced overhead of cost and time

World's first Financial Services-ready public cloud

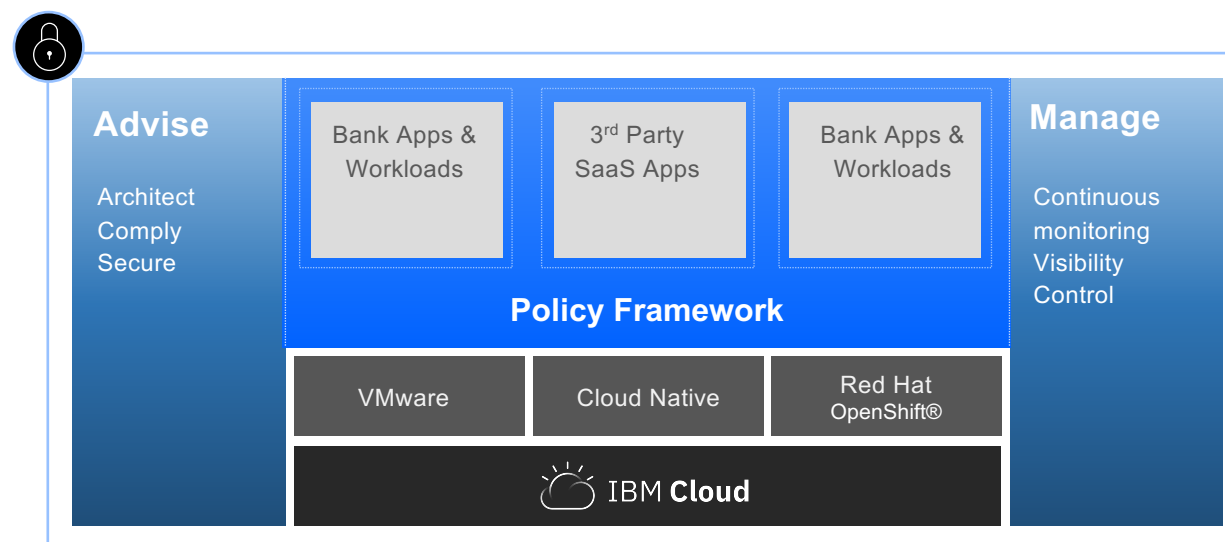
In collaboration with Bank of America, IBM Cloud is making public cloud **Financial Services-ready** by delivering the benefits and flexibility of a public cloud in a secure environment, enabling financial institutions, ISVs and SaaS solutions to host apps and workloads in the cloud with confidence and trust.

Robust Financial Services policy framework

Extensive infrastructure services – VMware, cloud-native, RedHat OpenShift as-a-service

Secure and enterprise grade, built on IBM's public cloud

Promontory risk analysis and security regulation consulting and expertise on-demand.



Financial Services-Ready Public Cloud

IBM Cloud today offers unique technologies for trusted computing:

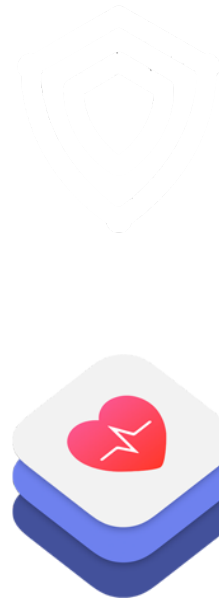
- Monitoring and security to the microchip level
- Highest level of encryption certification
- Robust isolation options and data protection
- Data immutability with Hyper Protect Services
- Risk analysis, security consulting, and IBM Promontory industry expertise.

IBM Hyper Protect + Apple CareKit

Enables iOS developers to hyper protect consumers' personal health information.

The IBM Hyper Protect iOS SDK for CareKit is available in the CareKit open-source community, simplifying integration with the IBM Cloud Hyper Protect Services.

<https://developer.ibm.com/blogs/using-ibm-cloud-hyper-protect-services-with-apple-carekit/>



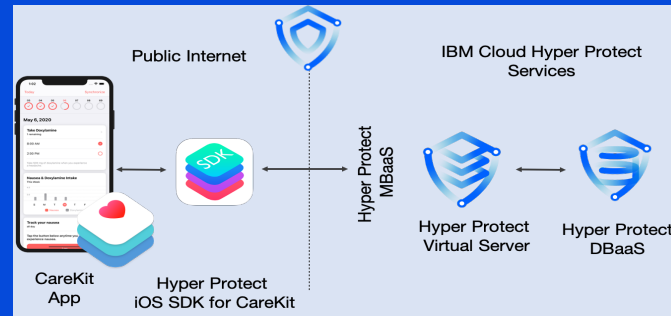
BENEFITS

- Complete data confidentiality
- Simplifies developer experience
- Works with new and existing CareKit applications
- Accelerates time to market for healthcare apps

WHY

End-to-end security:

Consumers want assurances their information is protected.



Integrating IBM Hyper Protect SDK for iOS with Apple CareKit, simplifies the ability for developers to ensure end-to-end security from the Apple device to the IBM Cloud.


- Paul Giani, Vice President & Global Leader - Apple Partnership, IBM

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