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Kata Containers: When Virtualization Meets Cloud Native

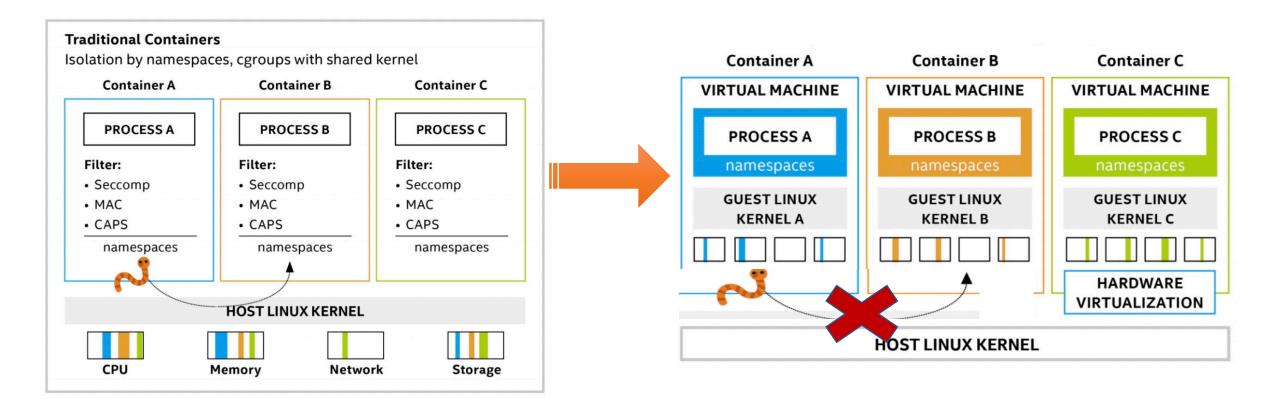
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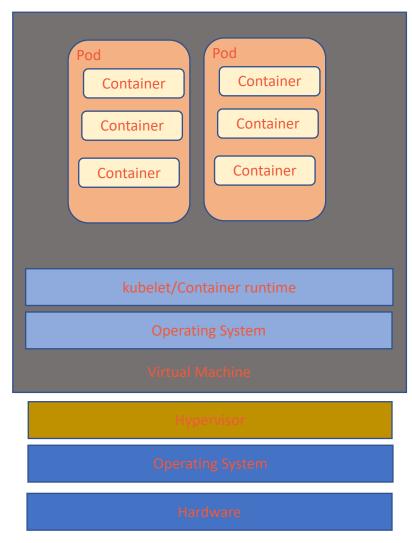
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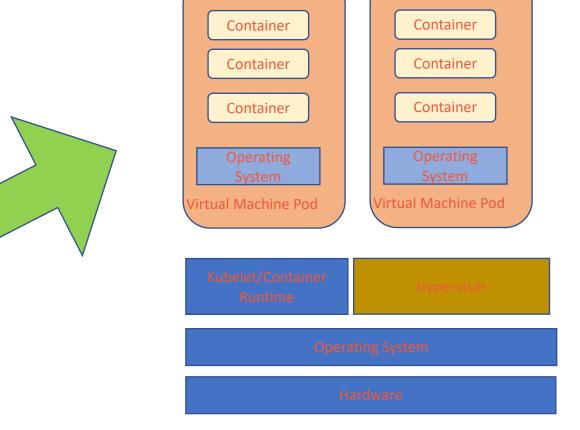
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What Is Kata Containers



Virtual Machine as a Pod

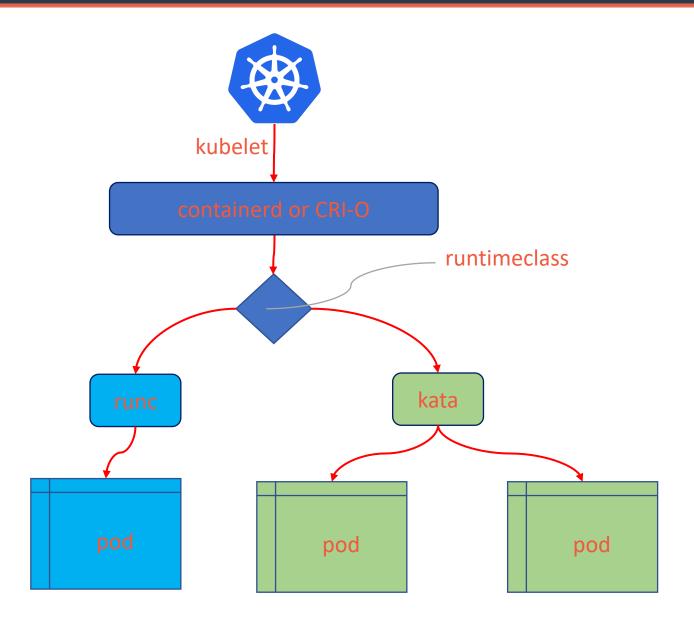






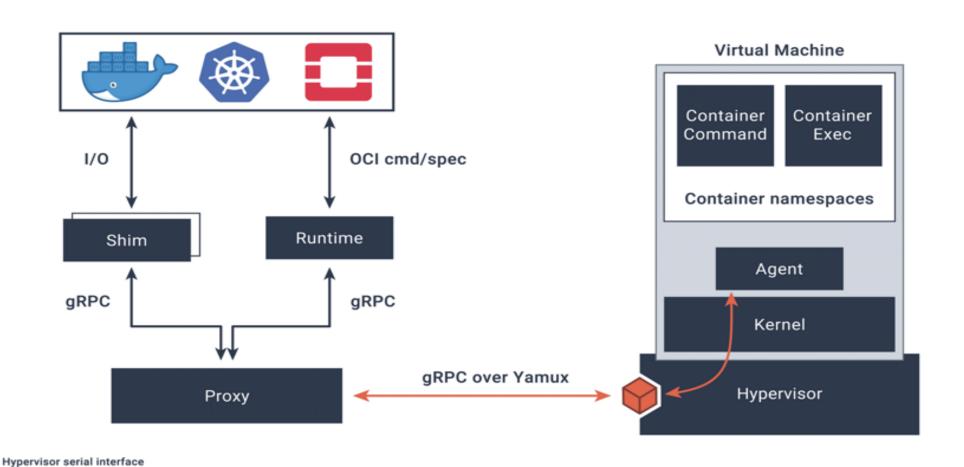
Kata & Kubernetes

- RuntimeClass Resource
- Run runc and kata containers in the Same cluster/node
- Beta feature since v1.14
- runtimeClassName in pod spec

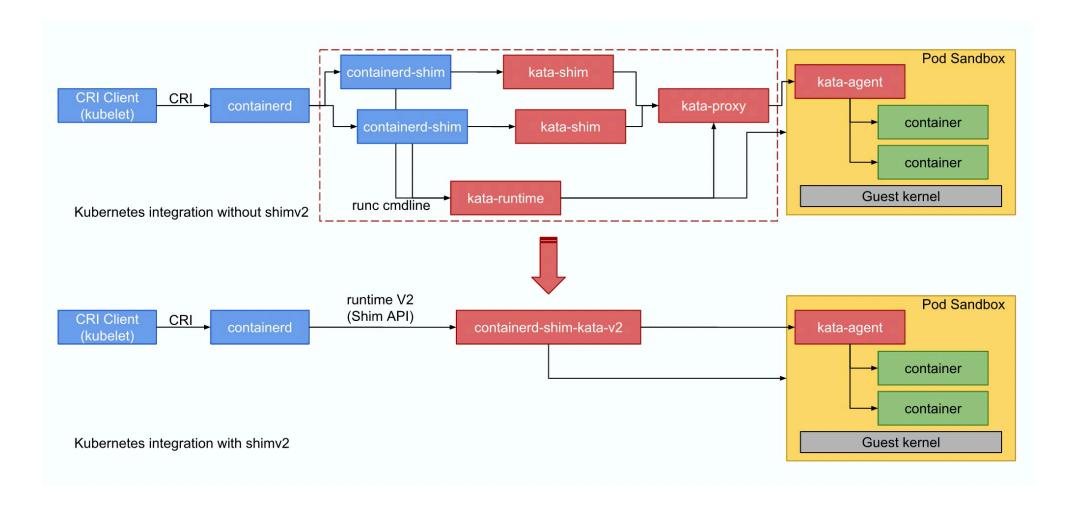




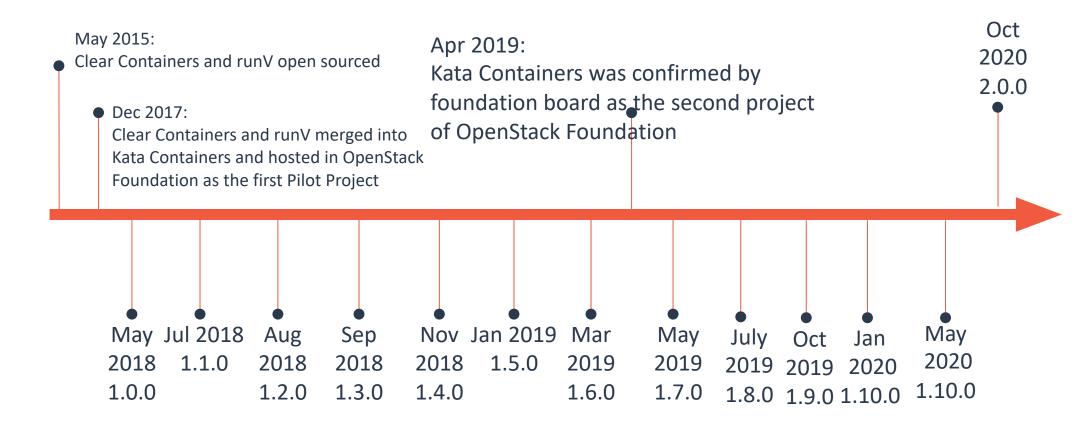
Kata Containers 1.x Architecture



Architecture Evolvement



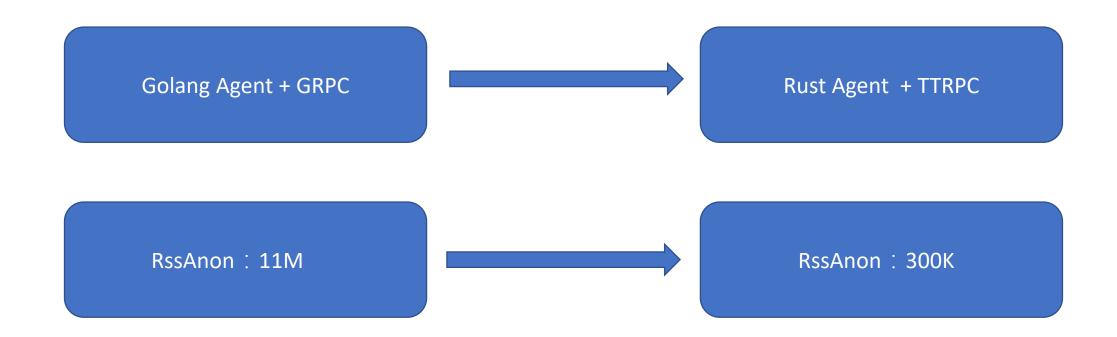
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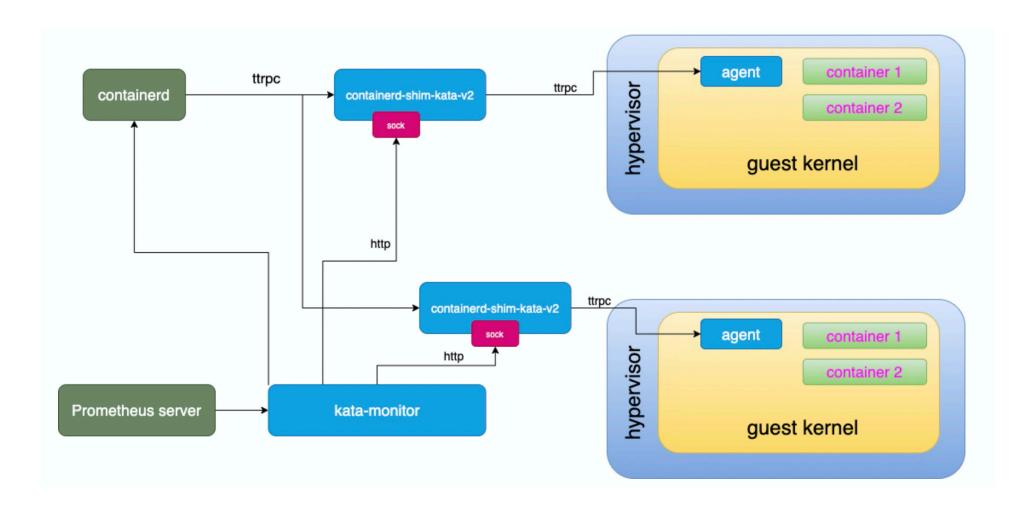
What's New In 2.0

- Kata-agent has been rewritten in rust to significantly reduce memory overhead overall attack surface.
- Agent protocol has been simplified to use ttRPC from grpc.
- Component called Kata-monitor has been introduced to improve observability and manageability
- New component called agent-ctl has been introduced to help validate agent API
- We have moved to a mono-repo model, all code and document repositories consolidated into one single repo.
- Virtio-fs is now the default shared file system type which mean better POSIX compliance compared to virtio-9p
- Latest Cloud Hypervisor support on par with QEMU
- Move to support solely shimv2 api to simplify code and reduce attack surface further. This also meanskata-shim and kata-proxy used in 1.x are no longer required.
- Guest kernel updated to v5.4.71
- QEMU updated to v5.0.0

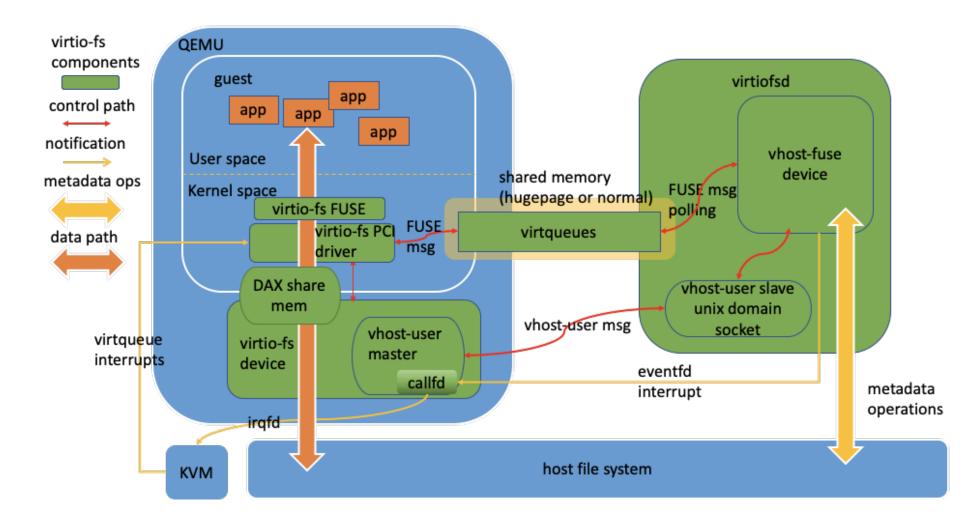
rust-agent + ttRPC



Kata Metrics



virtio-fs





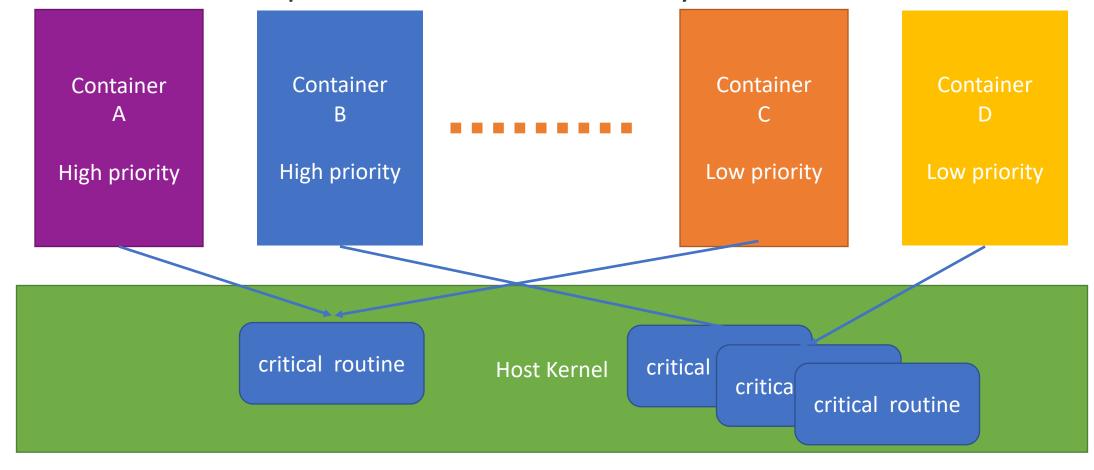
Kata Containers & Ant





Conventional container workload isolation

Container A's response time would be delayed

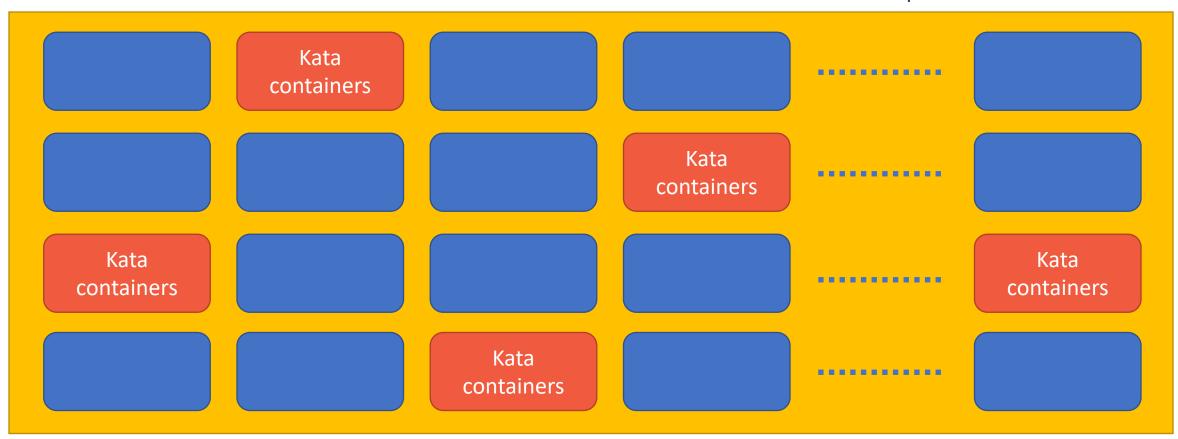


Colocation of high/low priority workloads

High priority tasks

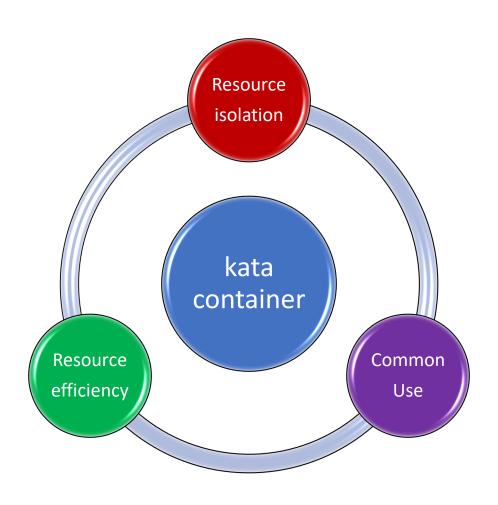
Low priority tasks

Compute Node





Art of Ballance

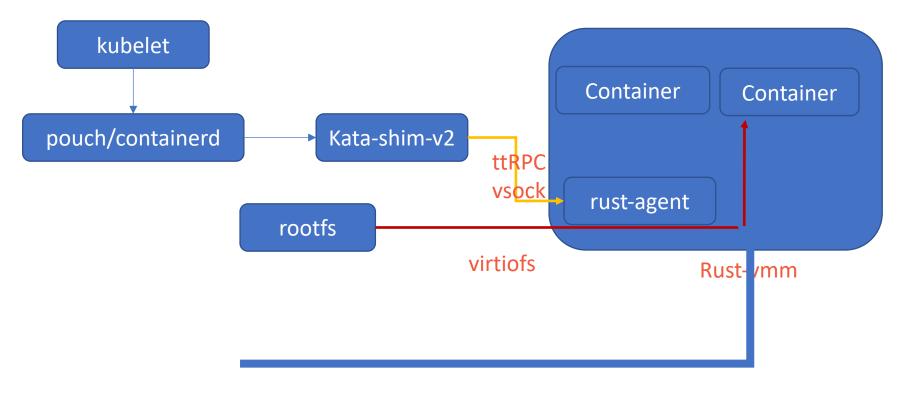


Kata Resource Improvements

- Rust-VMM Hypervisor
- Rewrite kata-agent from Go to rust
- Replace GRPC with ttRPC
- Replace virtio-serial with vsock
- Replace 9pfs with virtiofs

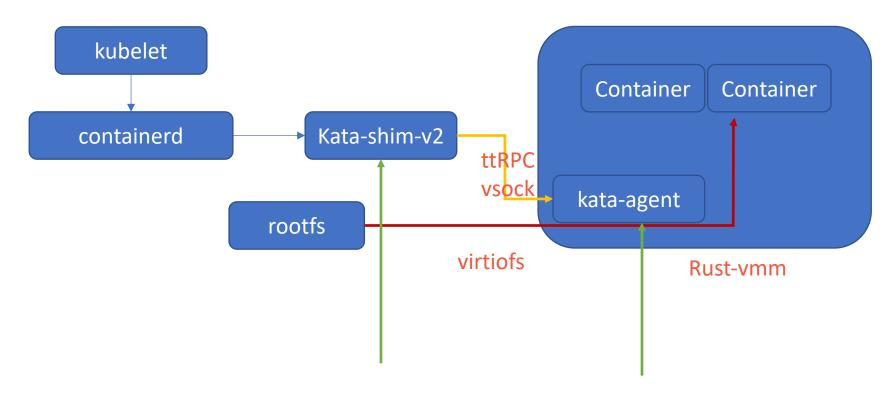


Extra Ops Channel



Add an Ops Channel

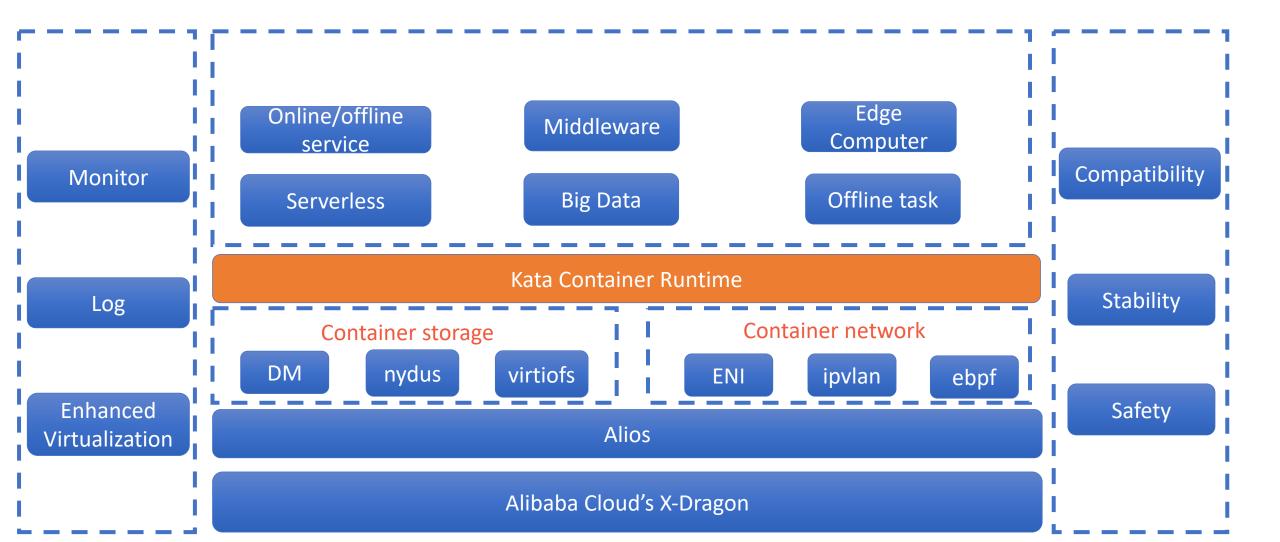
Hot Upgrade Kata Components



Kata-shim-v2 and kata-agent can be hot upgraded without stopping container tasks



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What's Next

- More isolation enhancements
- Container image operation improvements
- IO stream improvements
- Networking (port forwarding) improvements
- Debugbility improvements

Links

- website: http://katacontainers.io/
- github: https://github.com/kata-containers
- IRC freenode: #kata-dev
- Slack (bridged to IRC): http://bit.ly/katacontainersslack
- Twitter: @katacontainers
- Mailing list: lists.katacontainers.io