



DevOps

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Cocktail of Environments

How to Mix Test and Development Environments and Stay Alive



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Минздрав предупреждает

Мнение докладчика может не совпадать с официальной позицией его работодателя, коллег или других специалистов.

Все представленные в докладе сведения, примеры, выводы и другую информацию вы можете использовать на свой страх и риск. За все ваши действия ответственность несёте только вы сами.

Prologue: No Good Solutions

Typical Environments

Dev

Stage

Prod

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Where real users live

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Where QA happens

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Typical Environments

Where developers can
test their changes

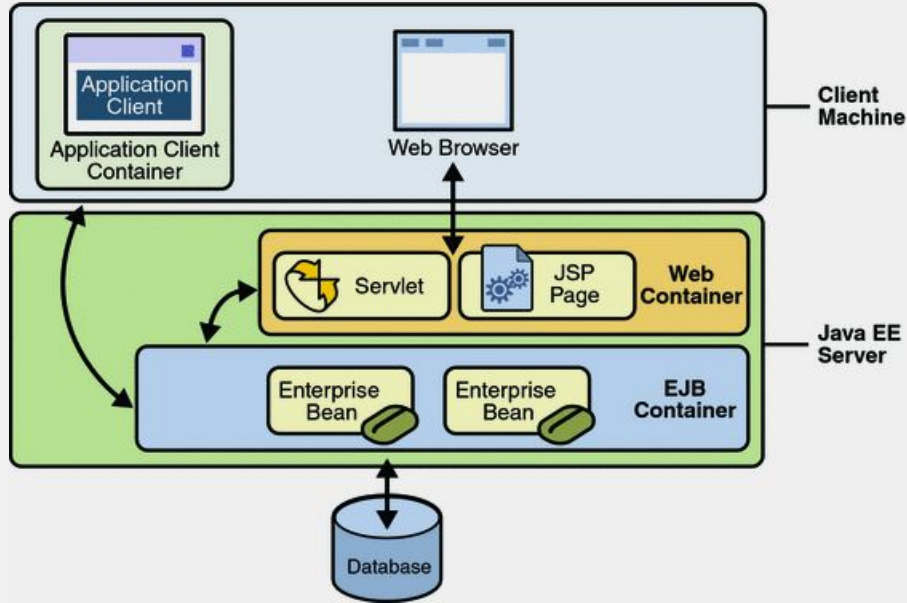
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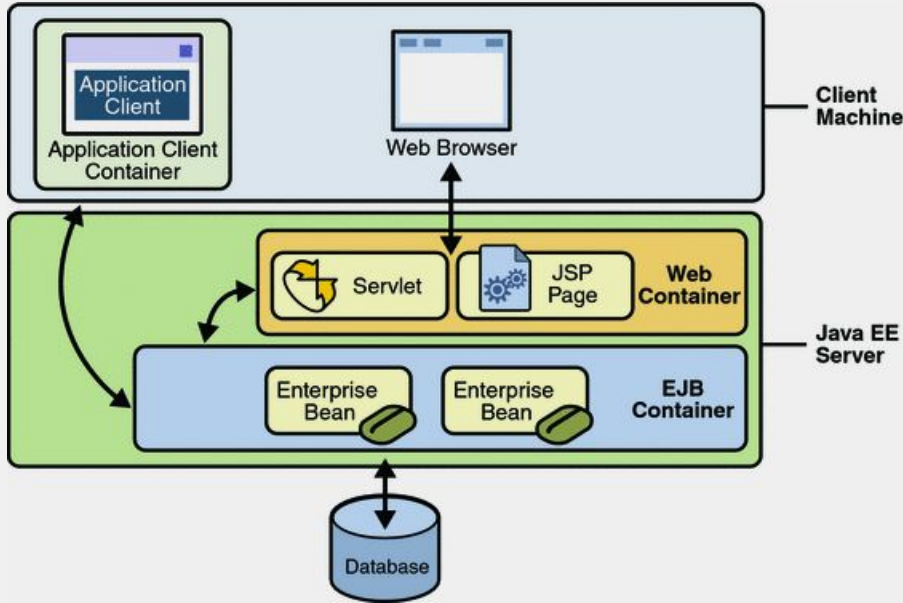
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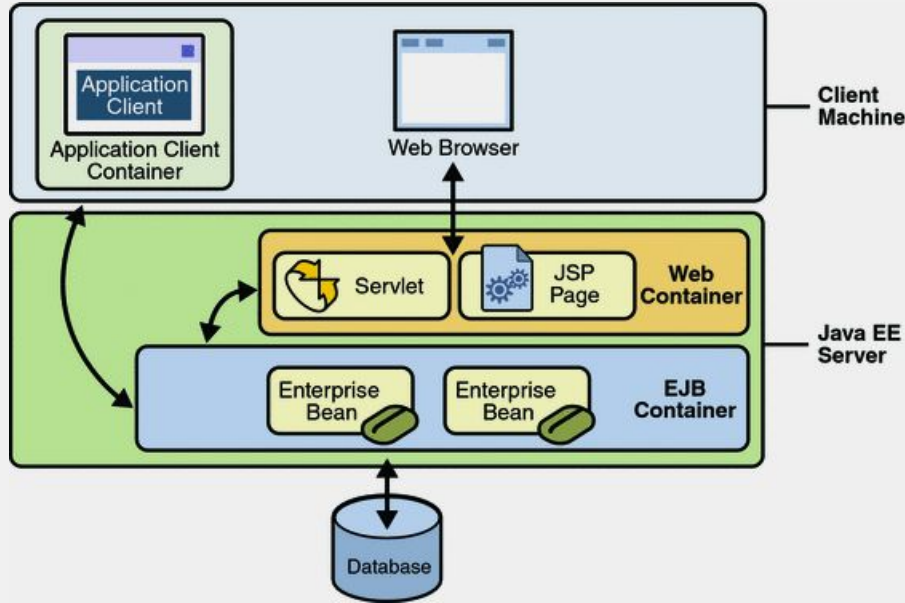


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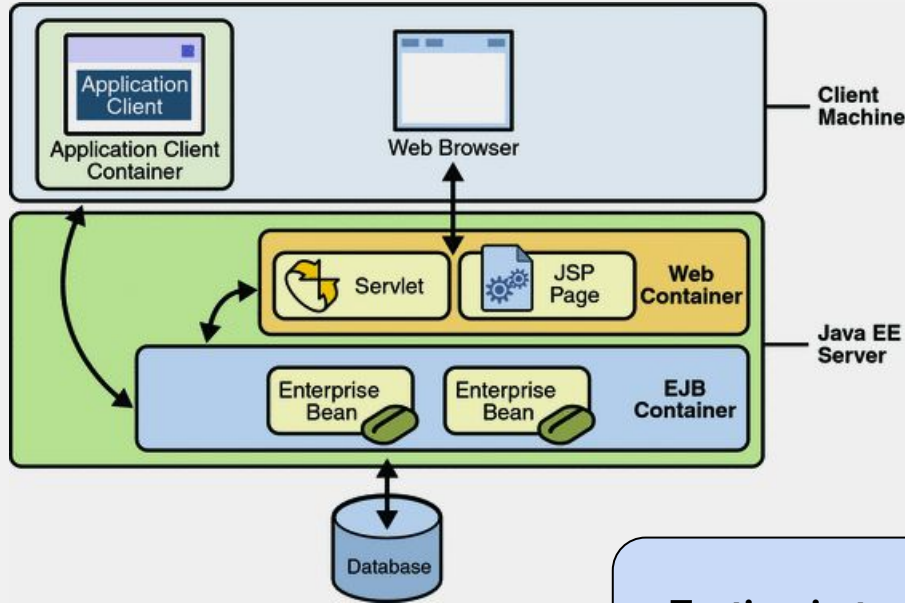
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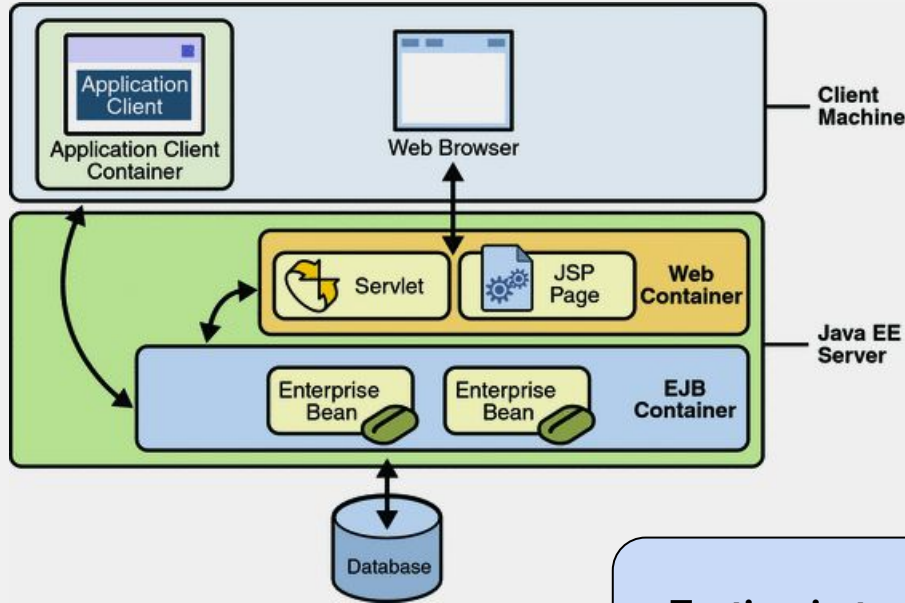


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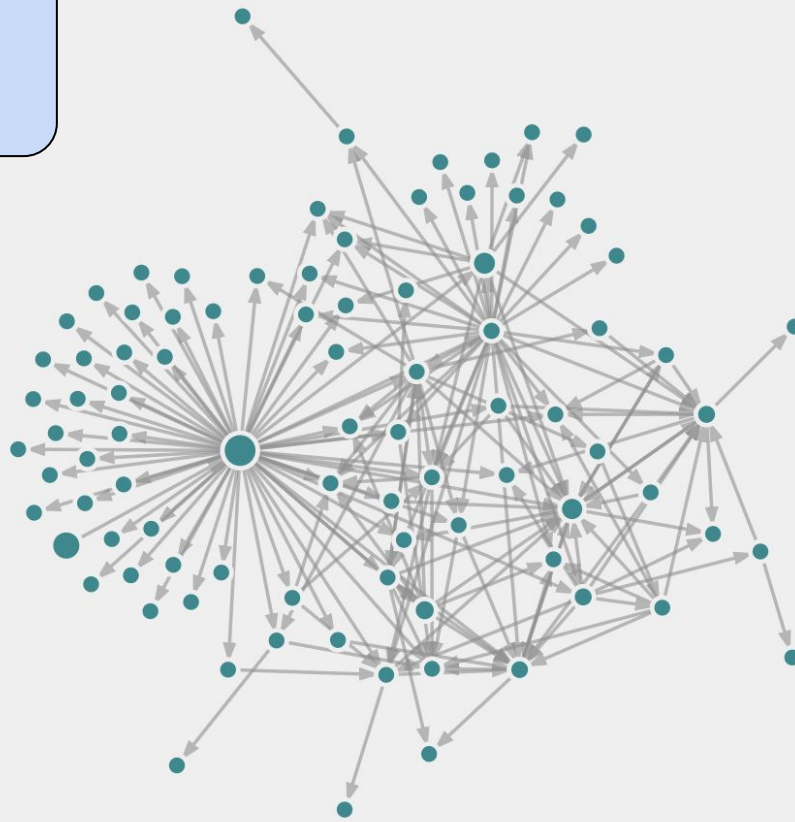
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Testing many - hard

Chapter 1: Baking Dev Environment

Work on my machine

docker compose

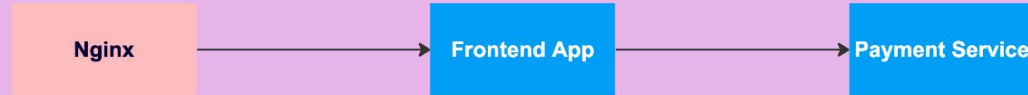


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Limited number of services

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Work on my machine

docker compose

nginx

Frontend App

Payment Service

Limited number of services

Separated configuration

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Telepresence

Dev Cluster

x-telepresence-intercept-id

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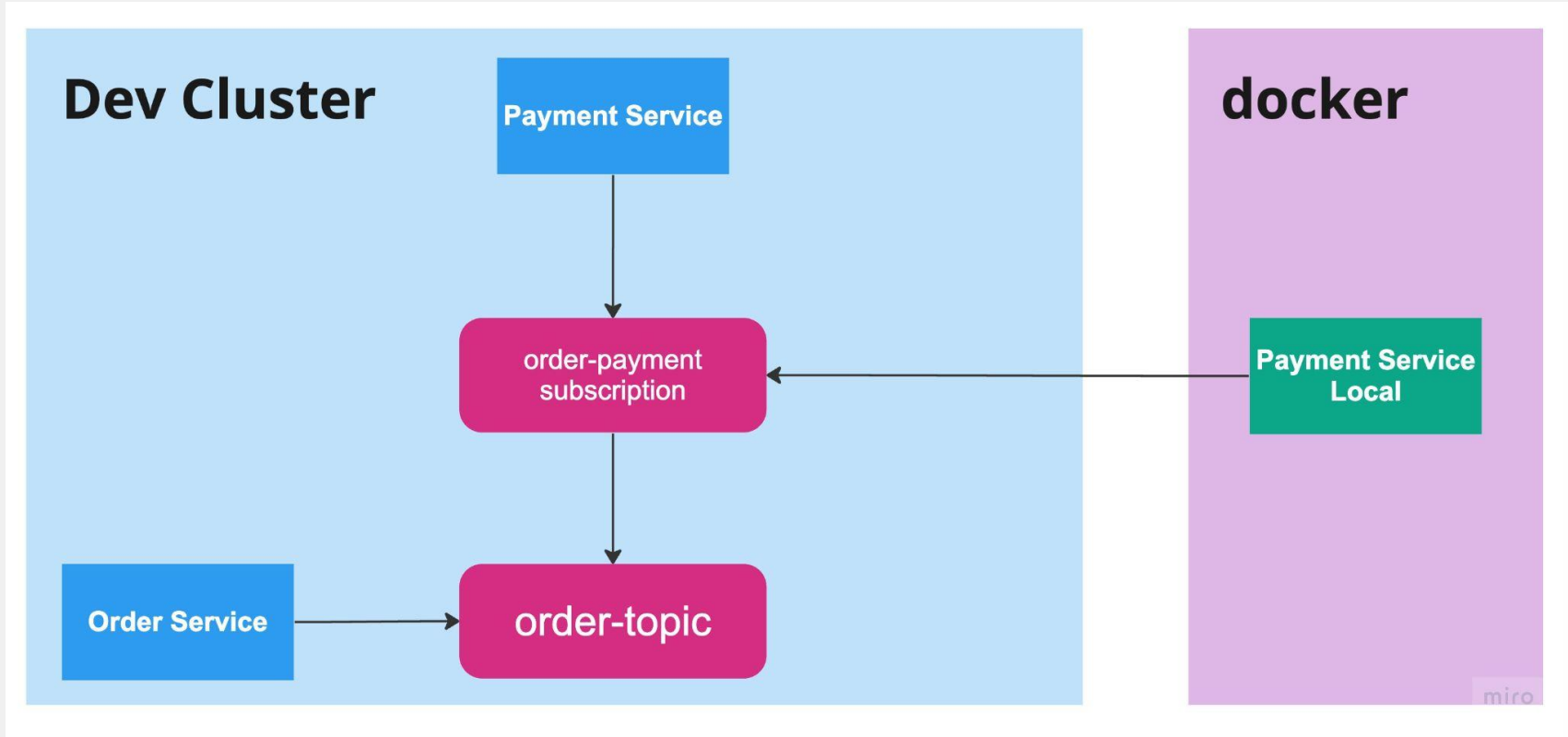
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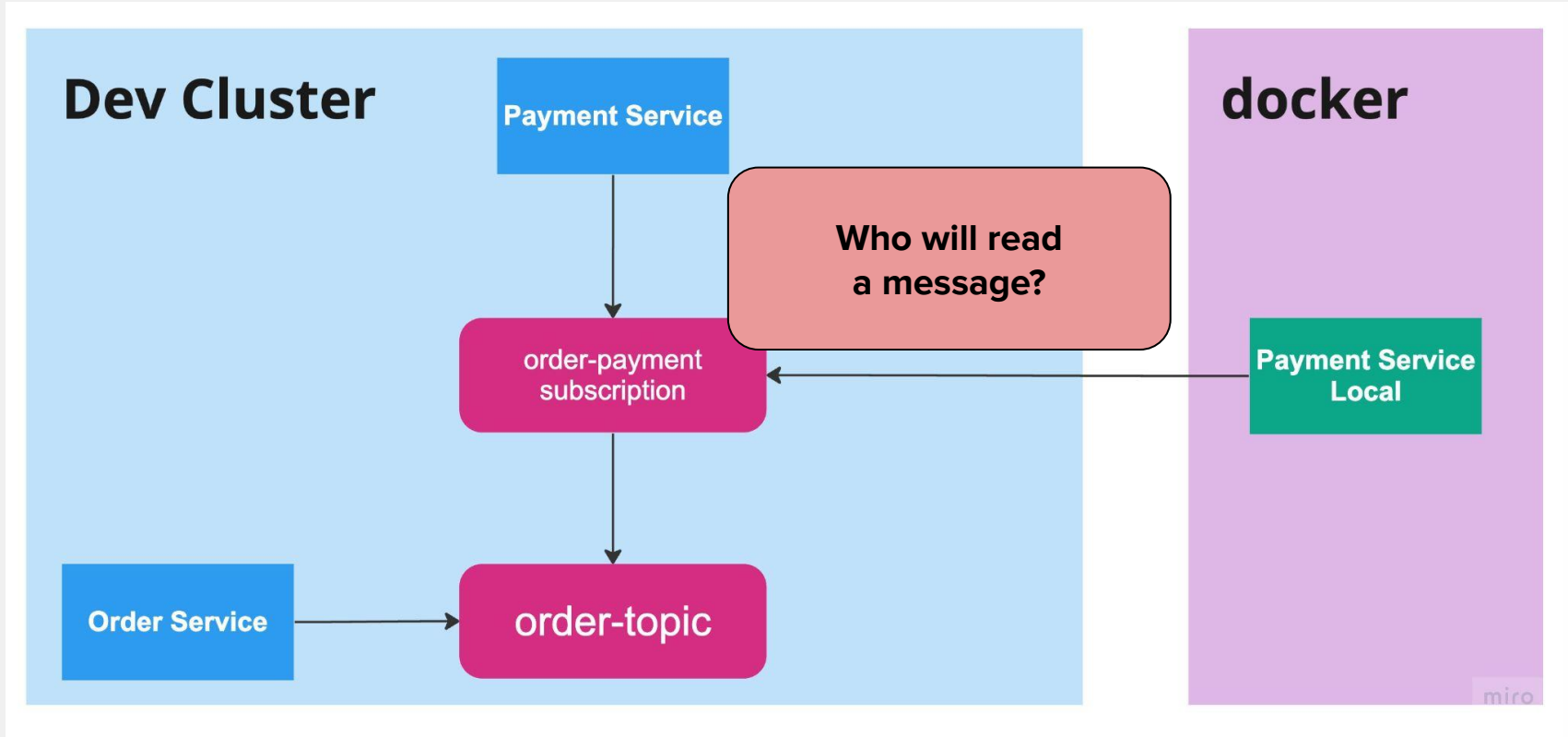
Async processes?

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Local Async Process Testing



Local Async Process Testing



Local Only

Benefits

- **Fast feedback loop**
- **Good for simple usecases**

Drawbacks

- **Hard to test complex scenarios**
- **Hard to collaborate**
 - **QA**
 - **other developers**

Full Copy for each Developer

Shared dev



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Vasya dev



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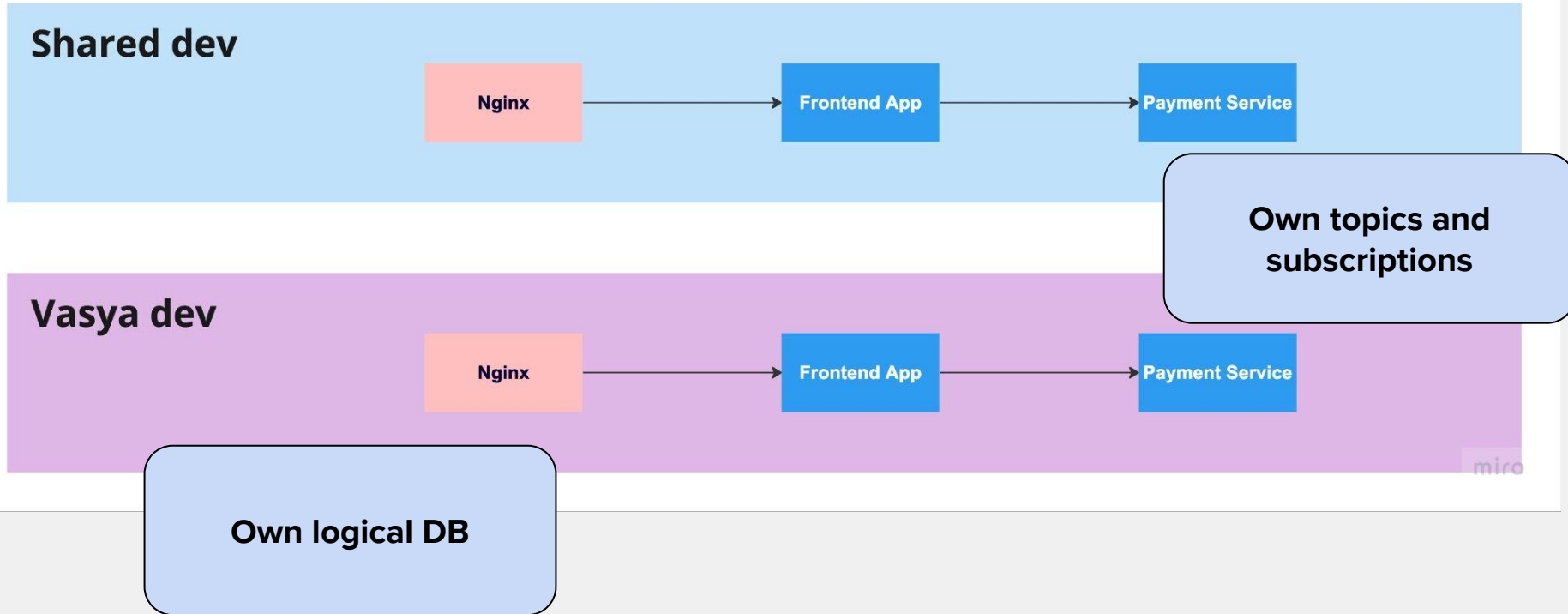


Vasya dev



Own logical DB

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- **Support separated infra components**
 - **dbs in containers**
 - **emulators for queues**

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- **Get rid of X**
 - **do not use service mesh**
 - **do not keep logs**

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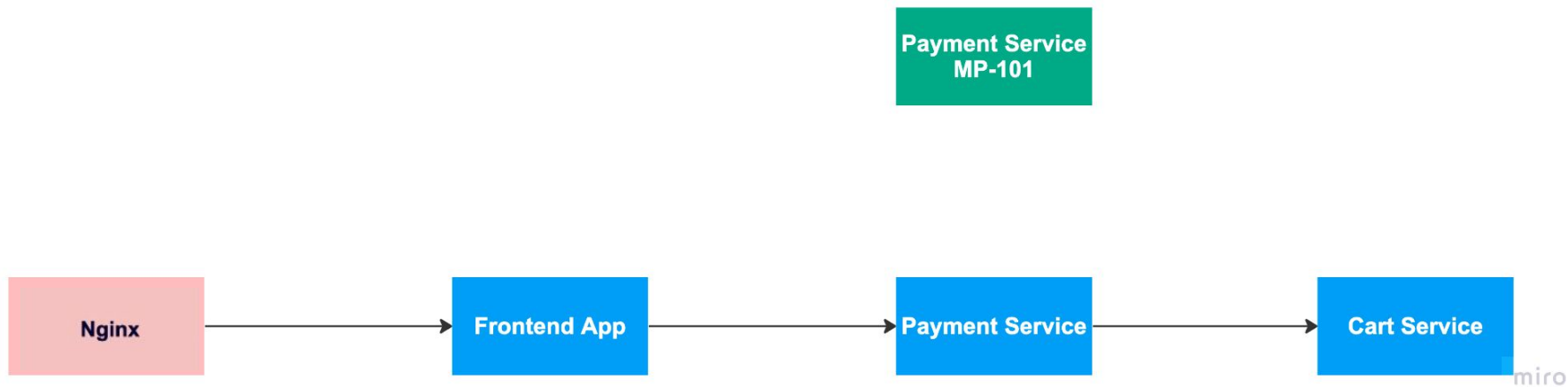
Benefits

- **Full isolation**
- **The cognitive load is low**

Drawbacks

- **Custom configuration**
- **High resources consumption**
- **You own - you troubleshooting**

Service Injection



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As a developer I created new branch: feature/mp-101-bla-bla



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Service Injection

Deploy each branch to dev cluster

Pipeline Needs Jobs 6 Tests 0

Group jobs by

validate

✓ validate-branch ↻

test

✓ test ↻

build

✓ build-docker ↻

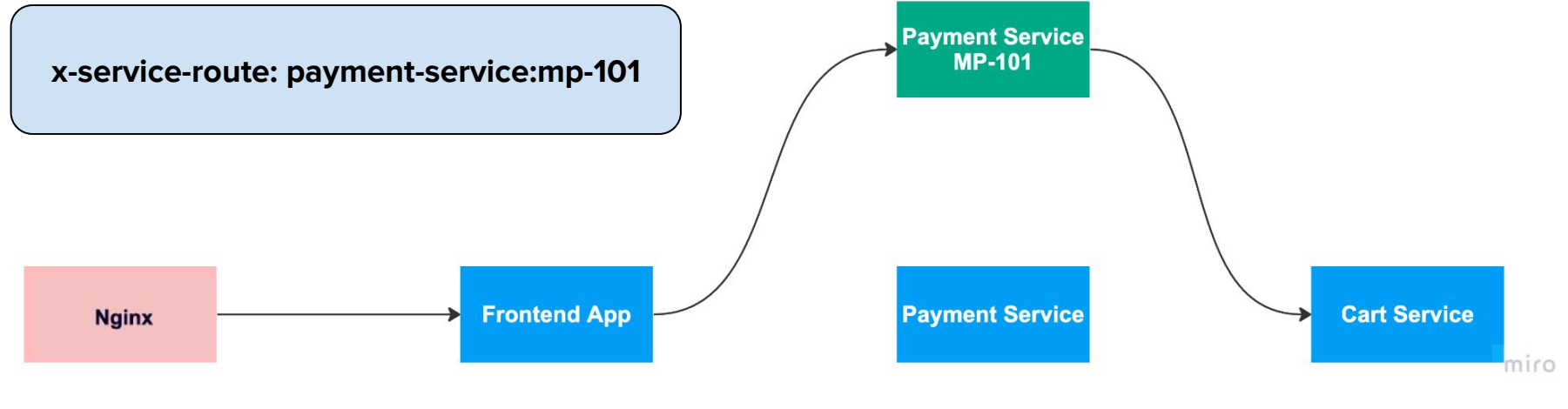
✓ build-go ↻

deploy

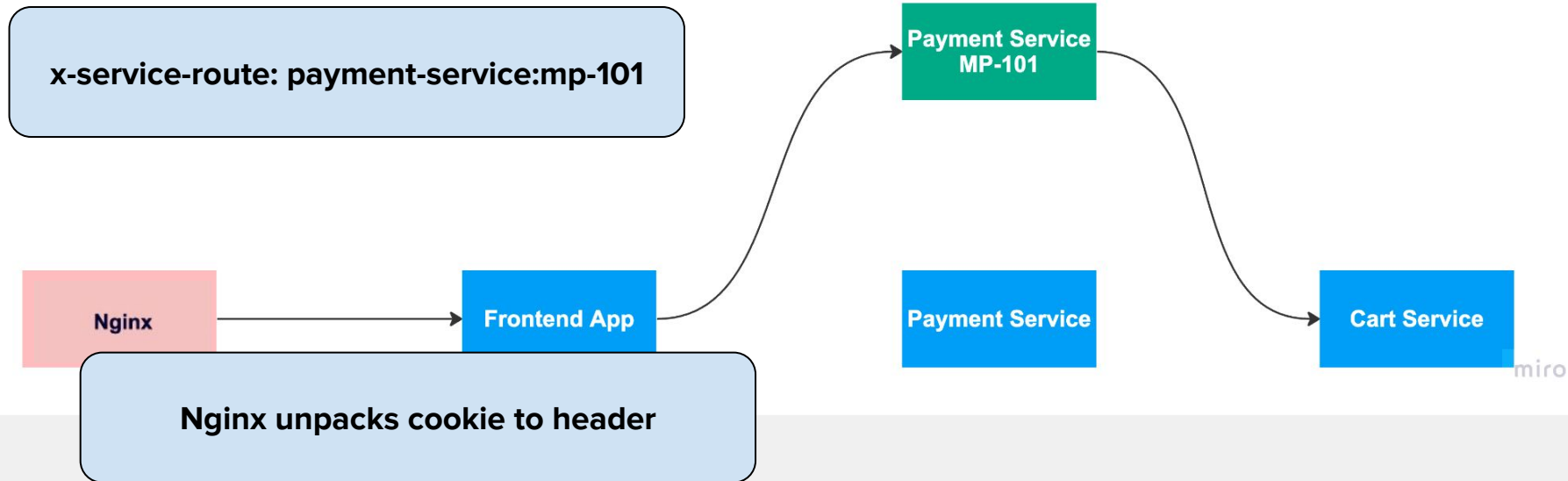
✓ deploy-branch-to-dev ↻

⚙️ destroy-dev ■

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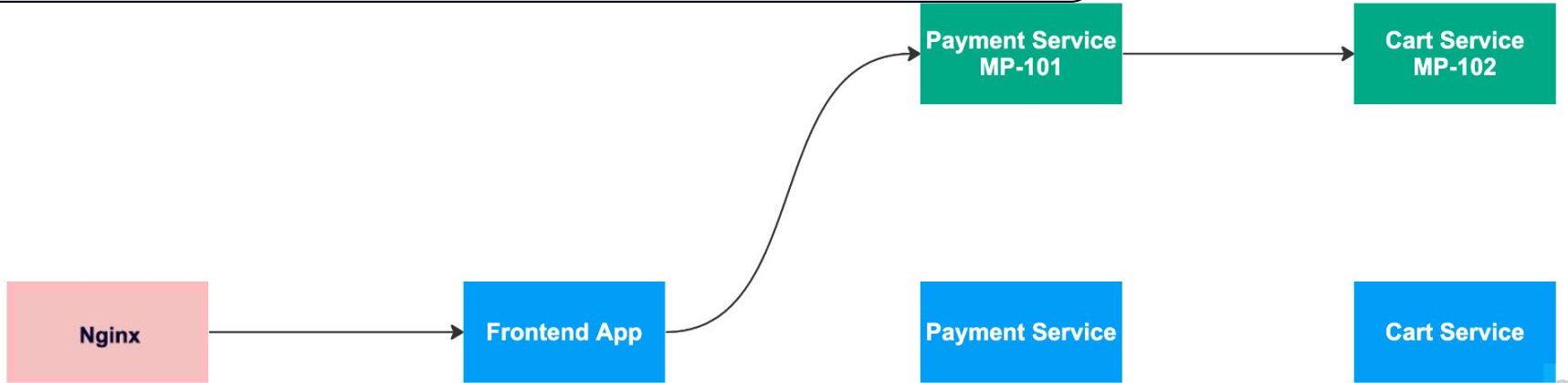


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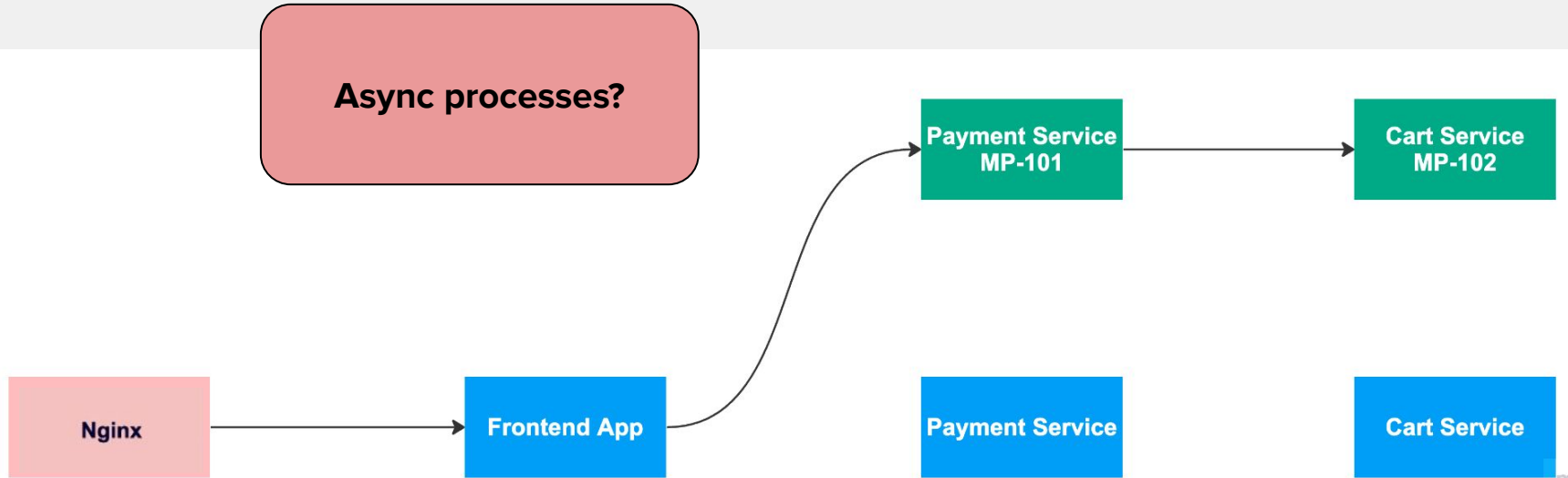
We Need More Branches

`x-service-route: payment-service:mp-101::cart-service:mp-102`



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Service Injection

Benefits

- **Low resources consumption**
- **Less troubleshooting required**
- **Convenient collaboration**

Drawbacks

- **Shared resources - poor isolation**
- **Hard to test async processes**

Chapter 2: What are You, Stable Dev?

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Atypical Environments

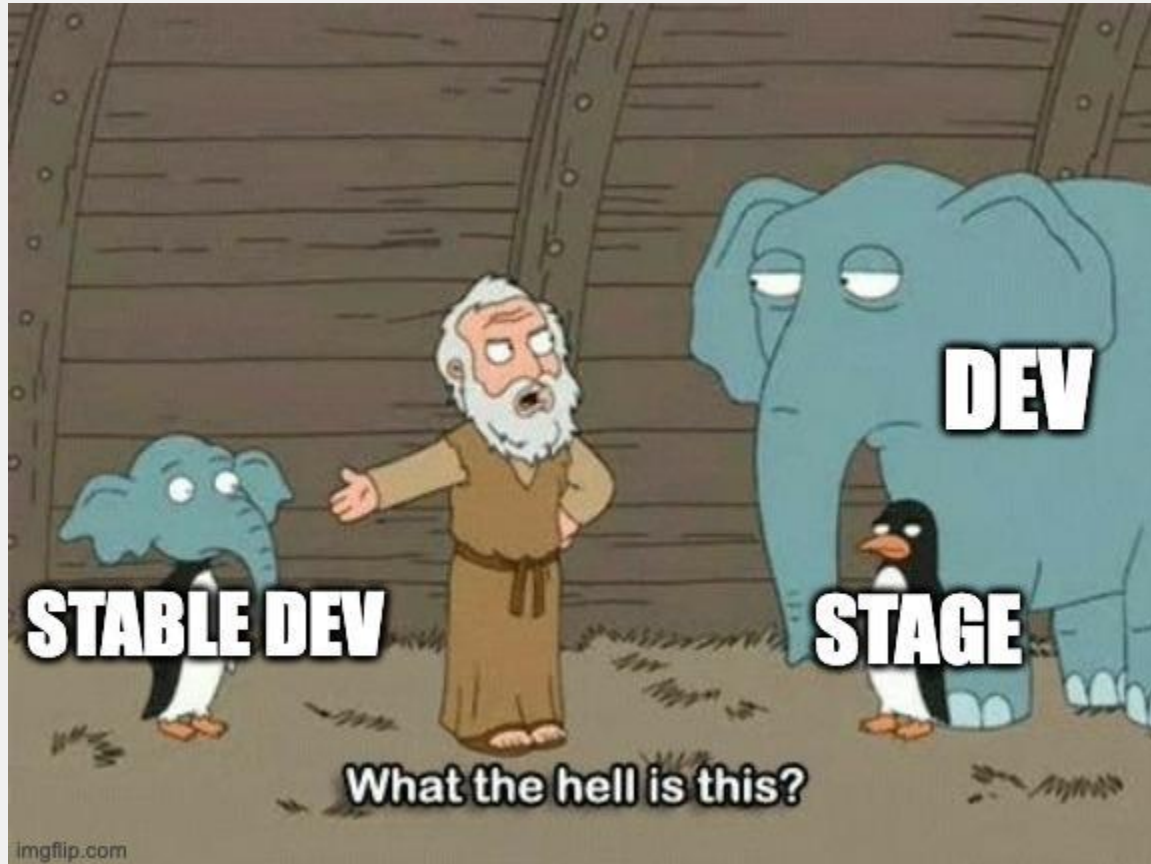
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One Cluster - Several Environments



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Stable Dev

RC Dev

Branch Dev

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Always contains all the services with the same versions as in production

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Default routes come to it

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Foundation for developing, testing, and staging

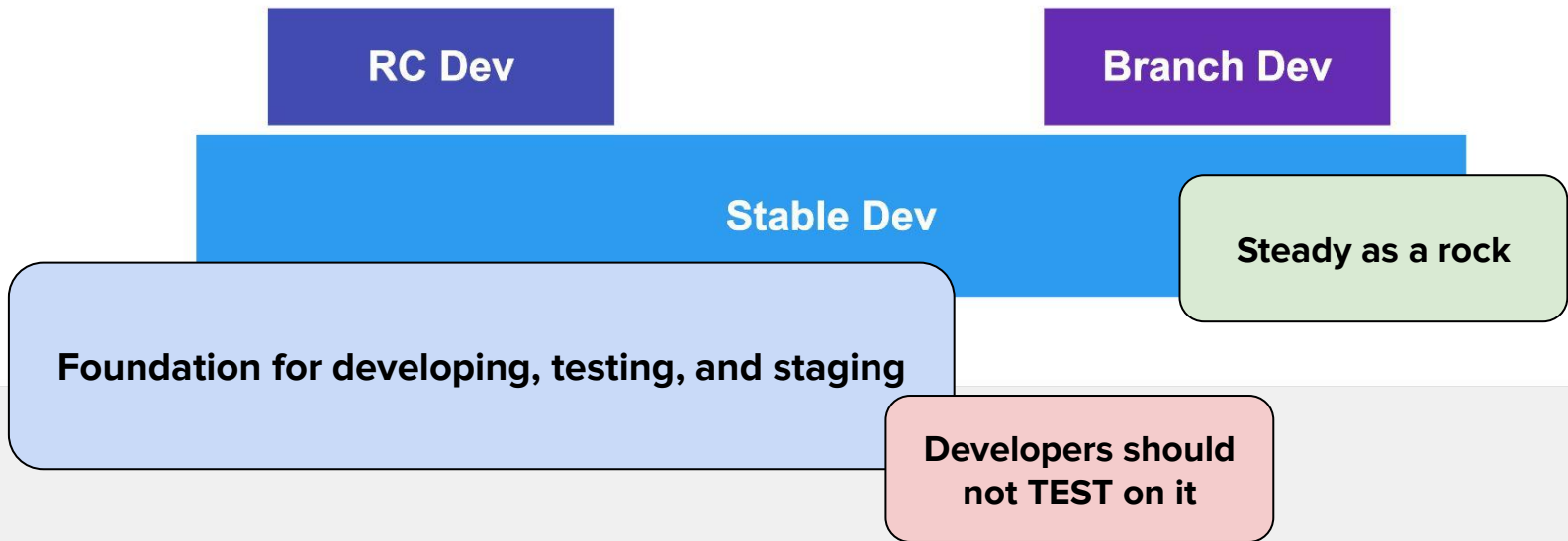
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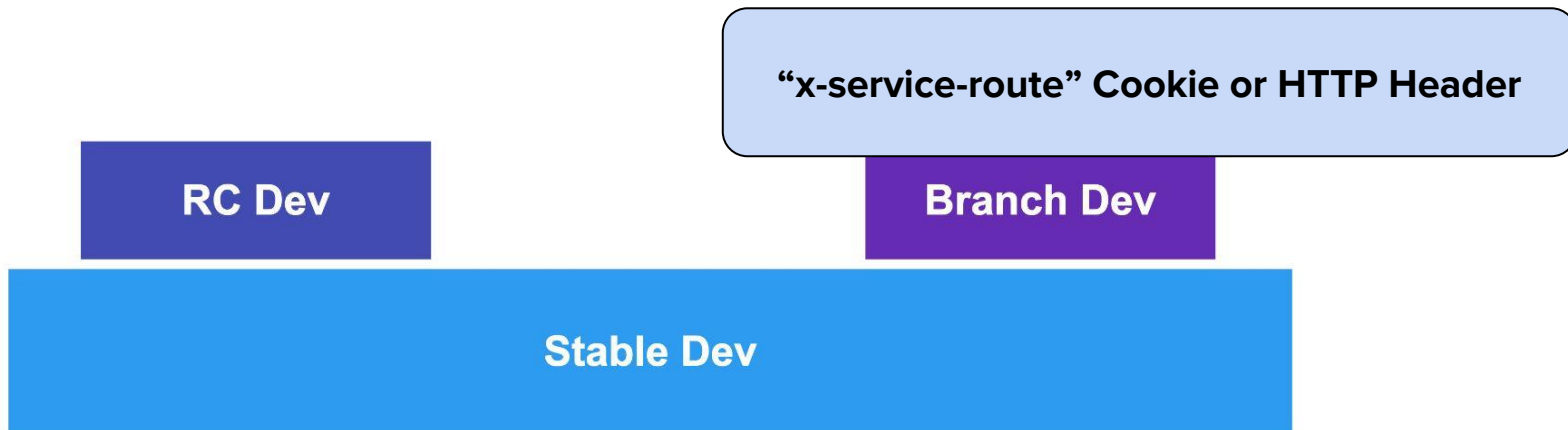
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Canary Dev

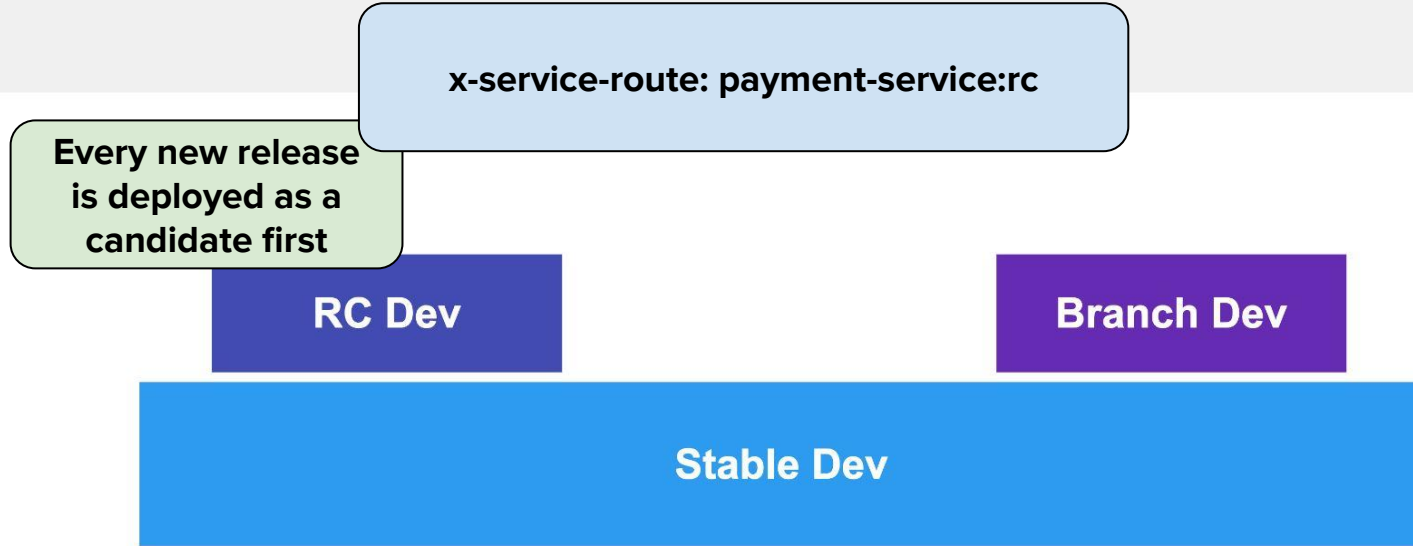
Every new release
is deployed as a
candidate first

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 - **A silo between QA and developers**
 - **Developers are pushed to fix the stage**

What if not?

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- **No dogfooding**
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- **We should keep stable two environments instead of one**
 - Staging should be stable by design
 - The development environment should be stable too
 - If the authorization service doesn't work -
developer cannot test their branch

Chapter 3: Make Some Code

Traffic Routing

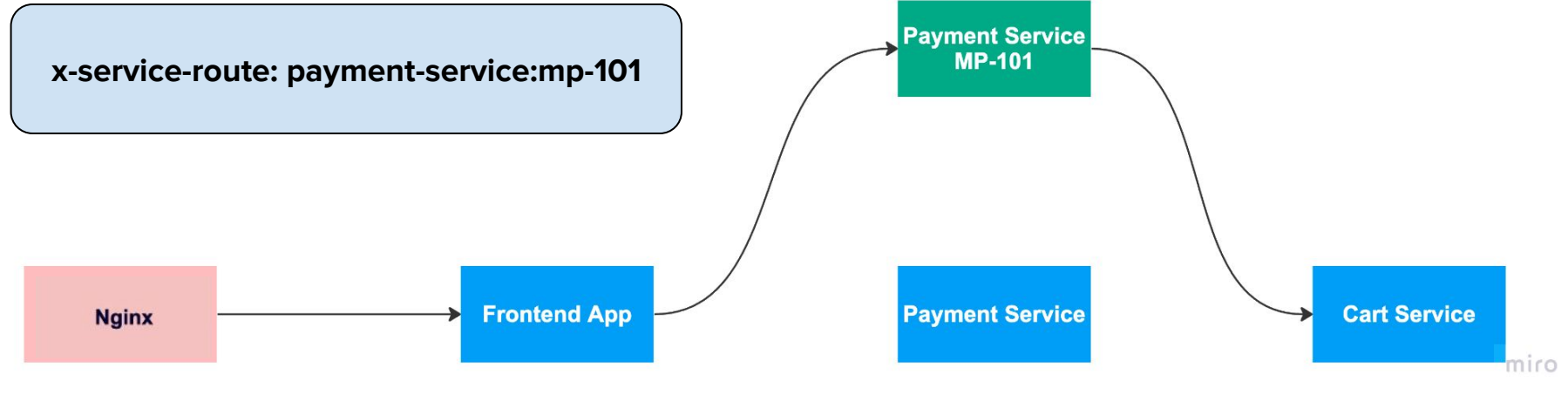
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Linkerd fan



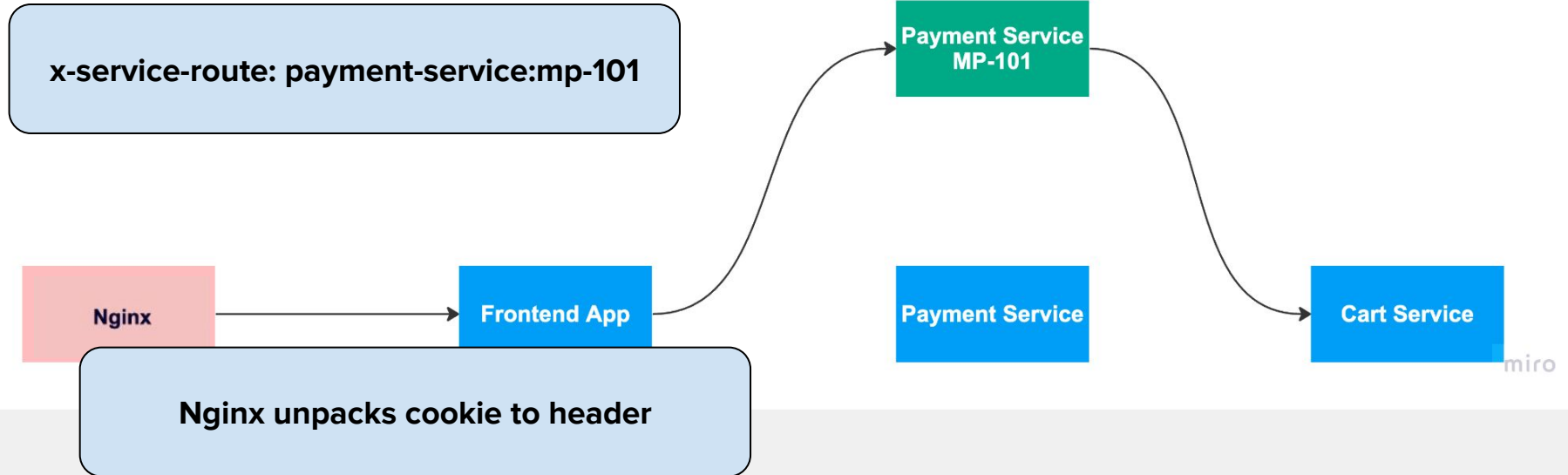
We will
use Istio



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Istio Virtual Service

```
---
apiVersion: networking.istio.io/v1beta1
kind: VirtualService
metadata:
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spec:
  ...
  http:
  - name: stable
    route:
  - destination:
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Deploy for every stable version
via Helm chart

Route to a Branch

```
---
apiVersion: networking.istio.io/v1beta1
kind: VirtualService
metadata:
  name: payment-service
spec:
  ...
  http:
  - name: payment-service-mp-101
    match:
    - headers:
      x-service-route:
        regex: ^(payment-service:mp-101.*|.*::payment-service:mp-101.*)$
  - name: stable
    route:
    - destination:
        host: payment-service.services.svc.cluster.local
```

**We cannot add it with
Helm chart**

Virtual Service Merge Operator

apiVersion: istio merger.monime.sl/v1alpha1

kind: VirtualServiceMerge

metadata:

name: payment-service-mp-101

spec:

patch:

http:

- name: payment-service-mp-101

match:

- headers:

x-service-route:

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target:

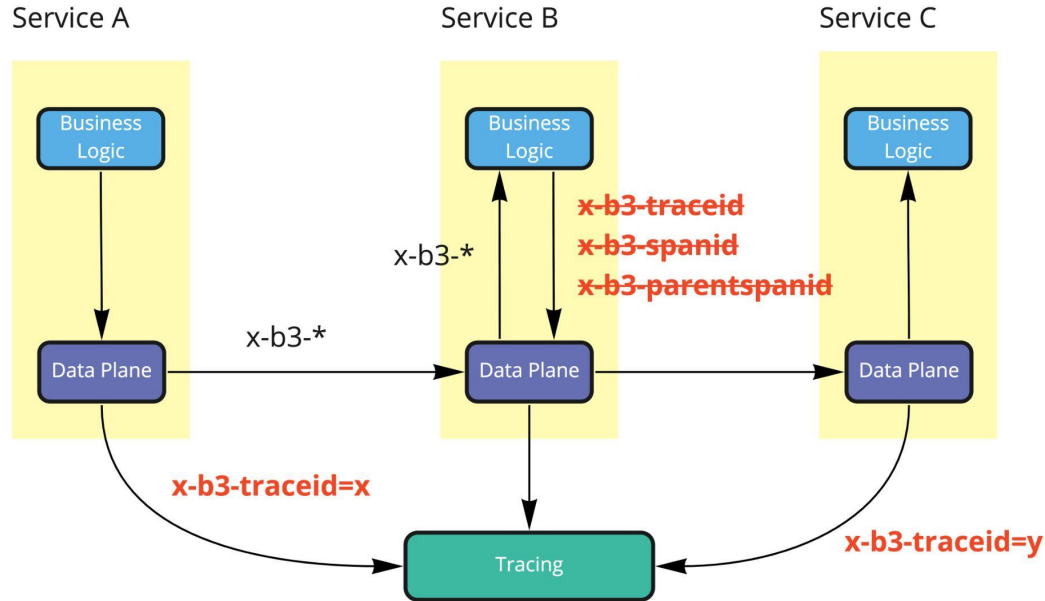
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Propagation Problem

x-b3-traceid
x-b3-spanid
x-b3-parentspanid
x-b3-sampled
x-b3-flags

→ should be propagated (as x-request-id)

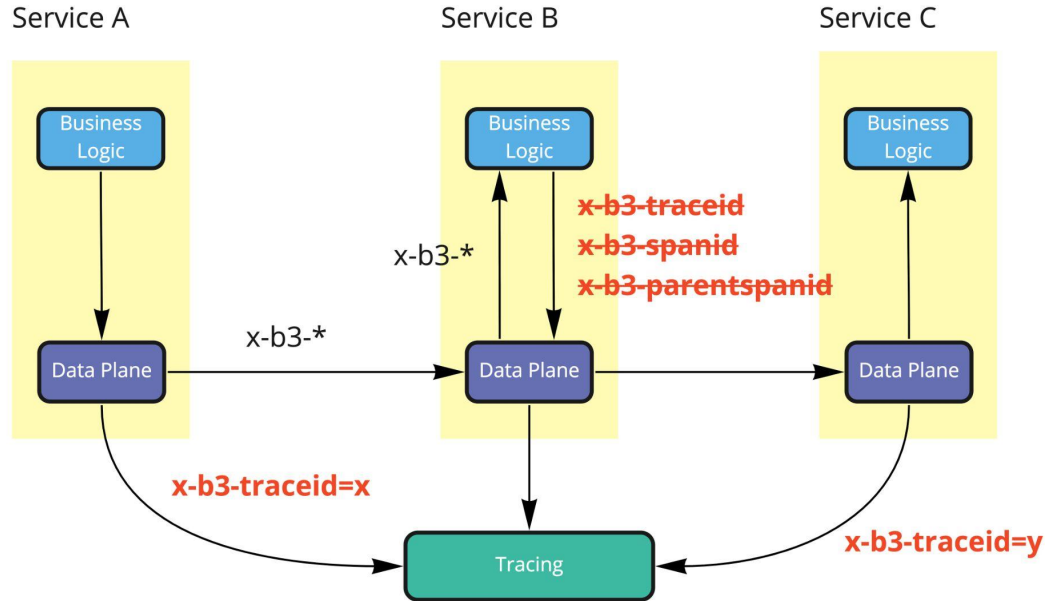


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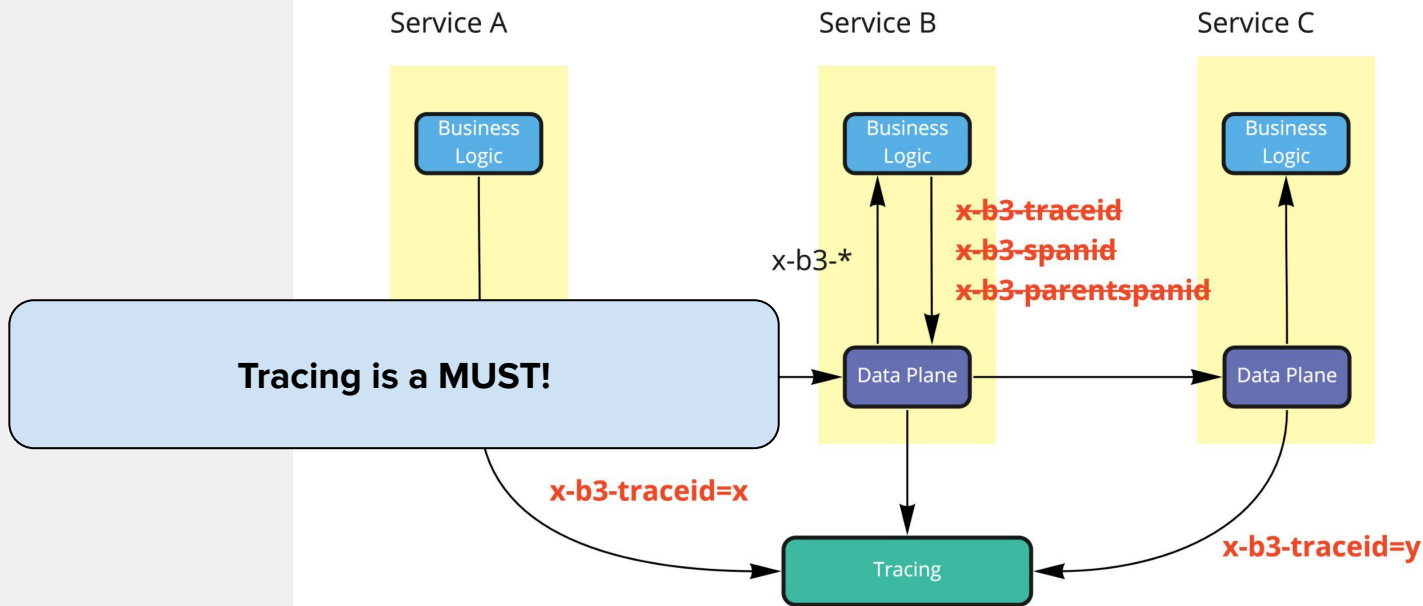


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Service A

Service B

Service C

Business Logic

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Tracing is a MUST!

x-b3-*

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x-b3-parentspanid

Data Plane

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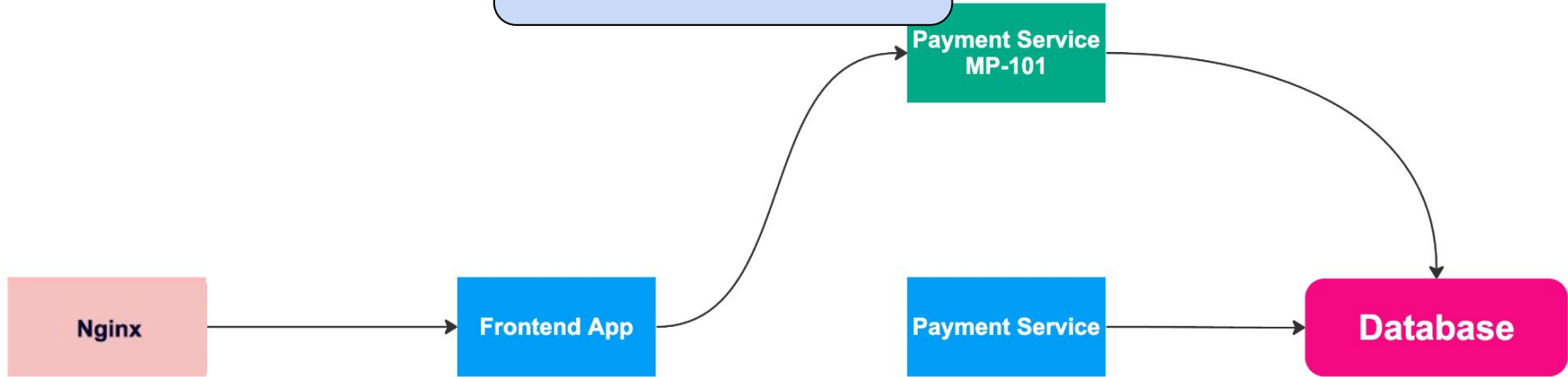
x-b3-traceid=x

x-b3-trace-id in response

Tracing

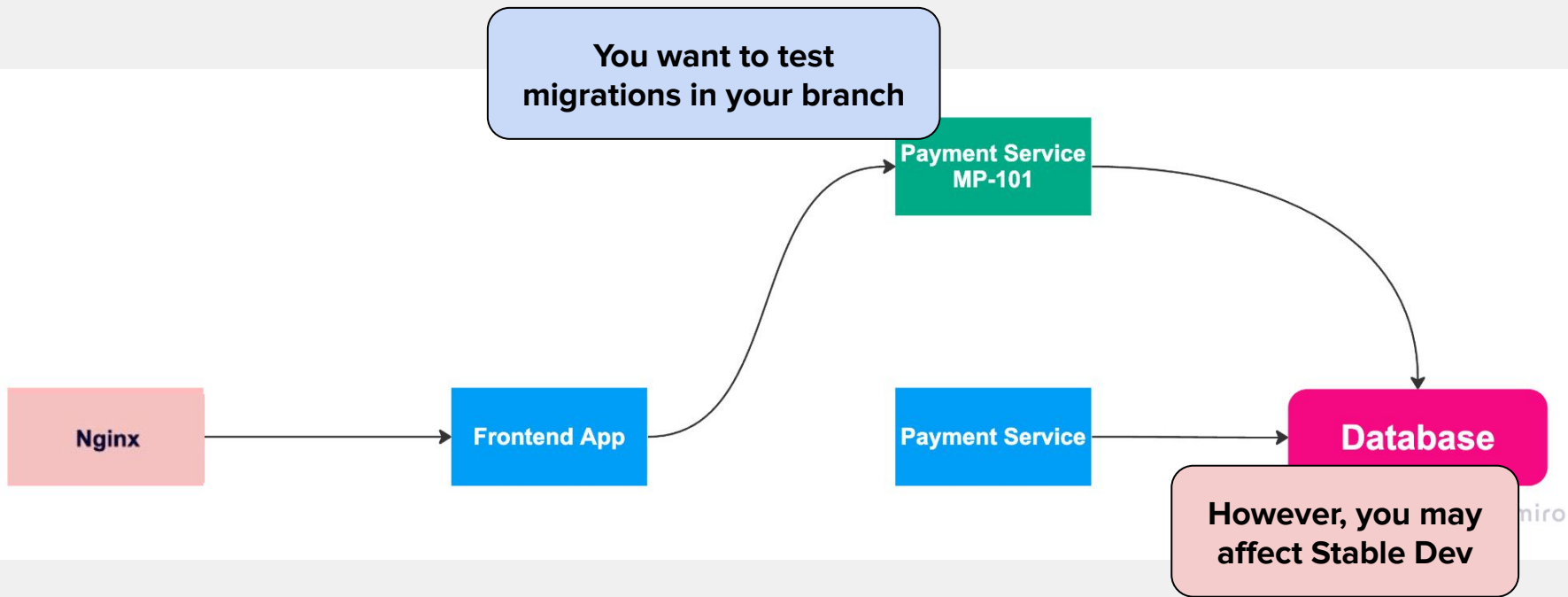
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You want to test migrations in your branch

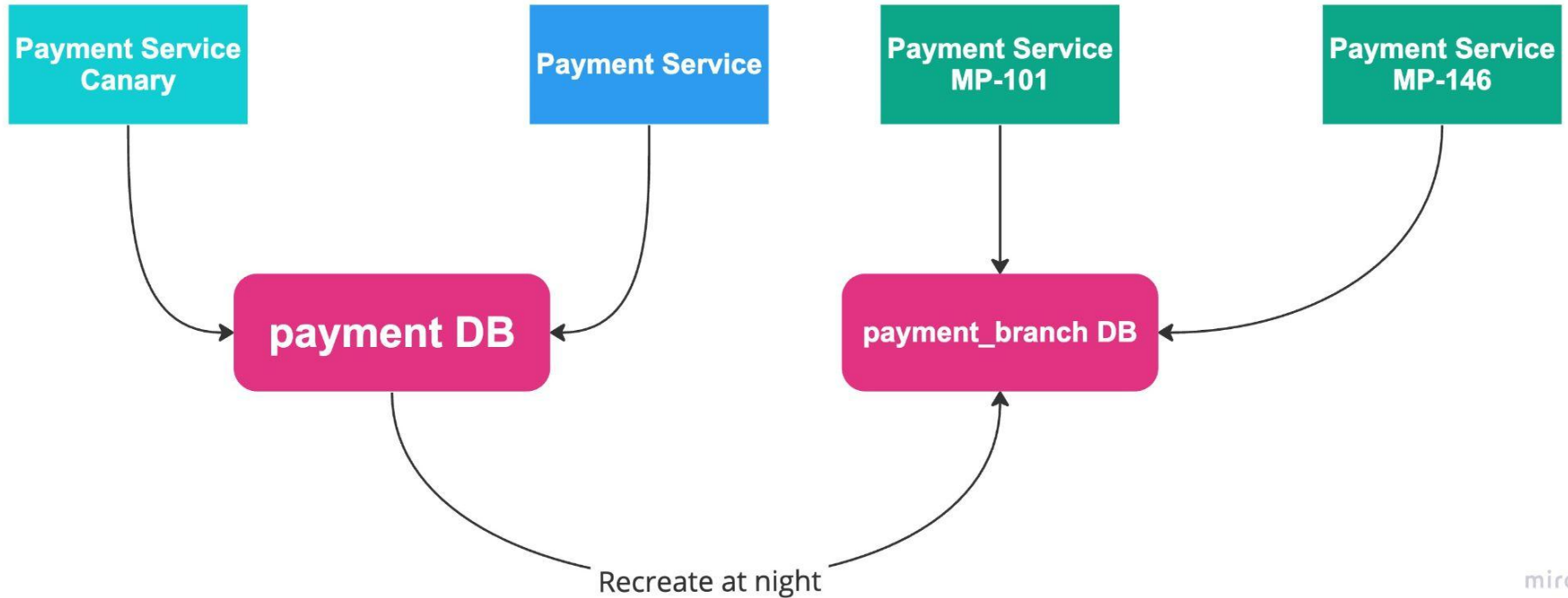


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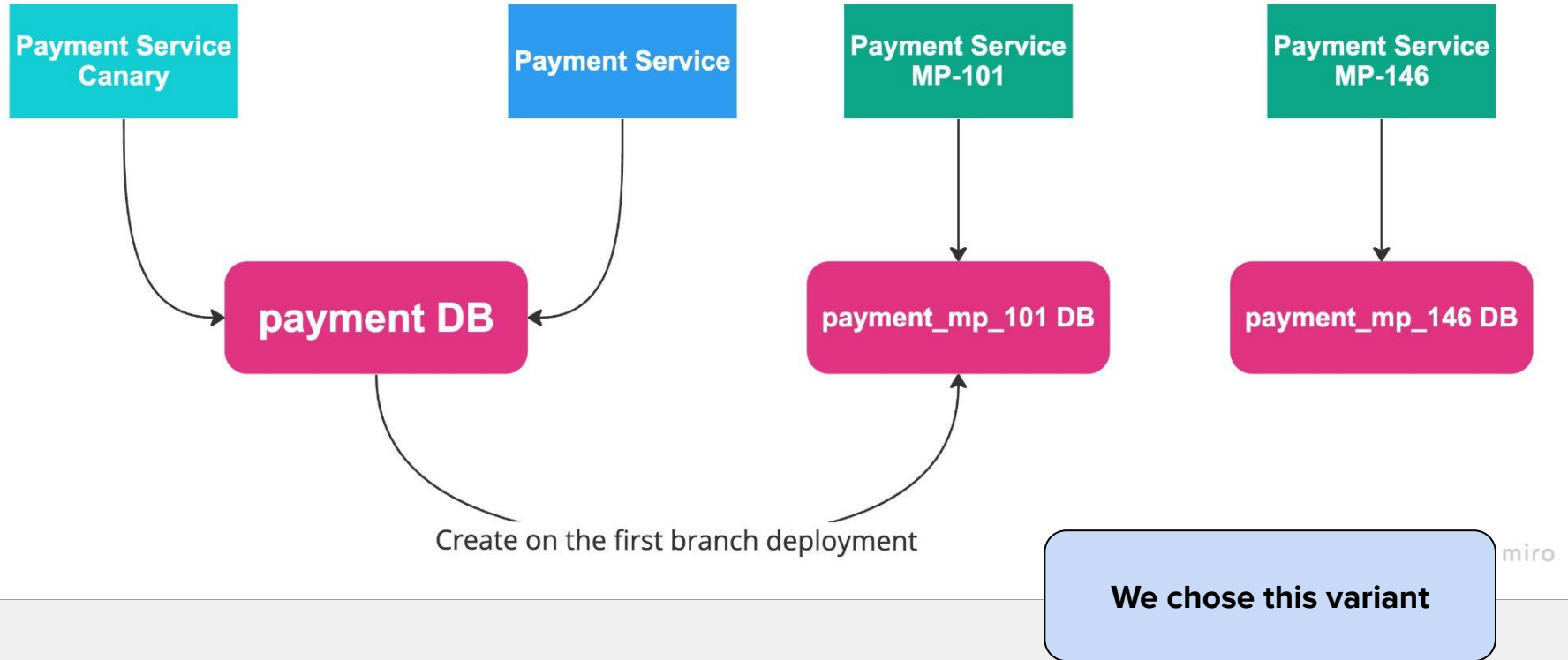


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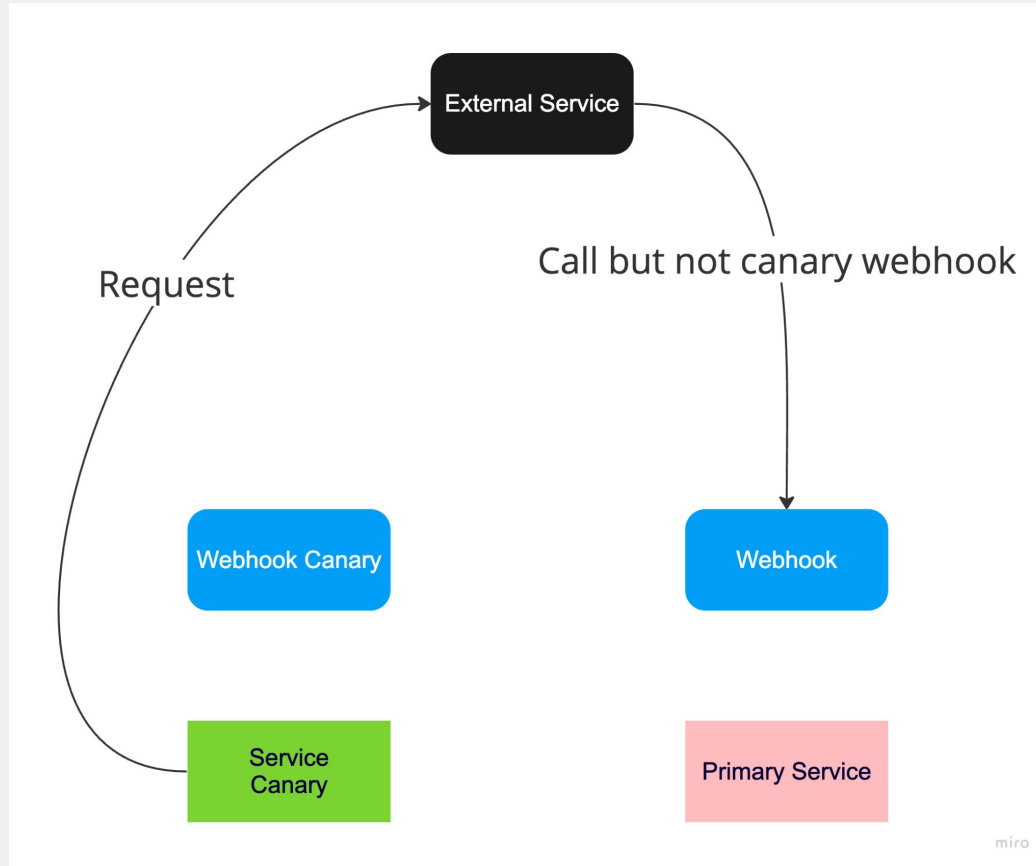


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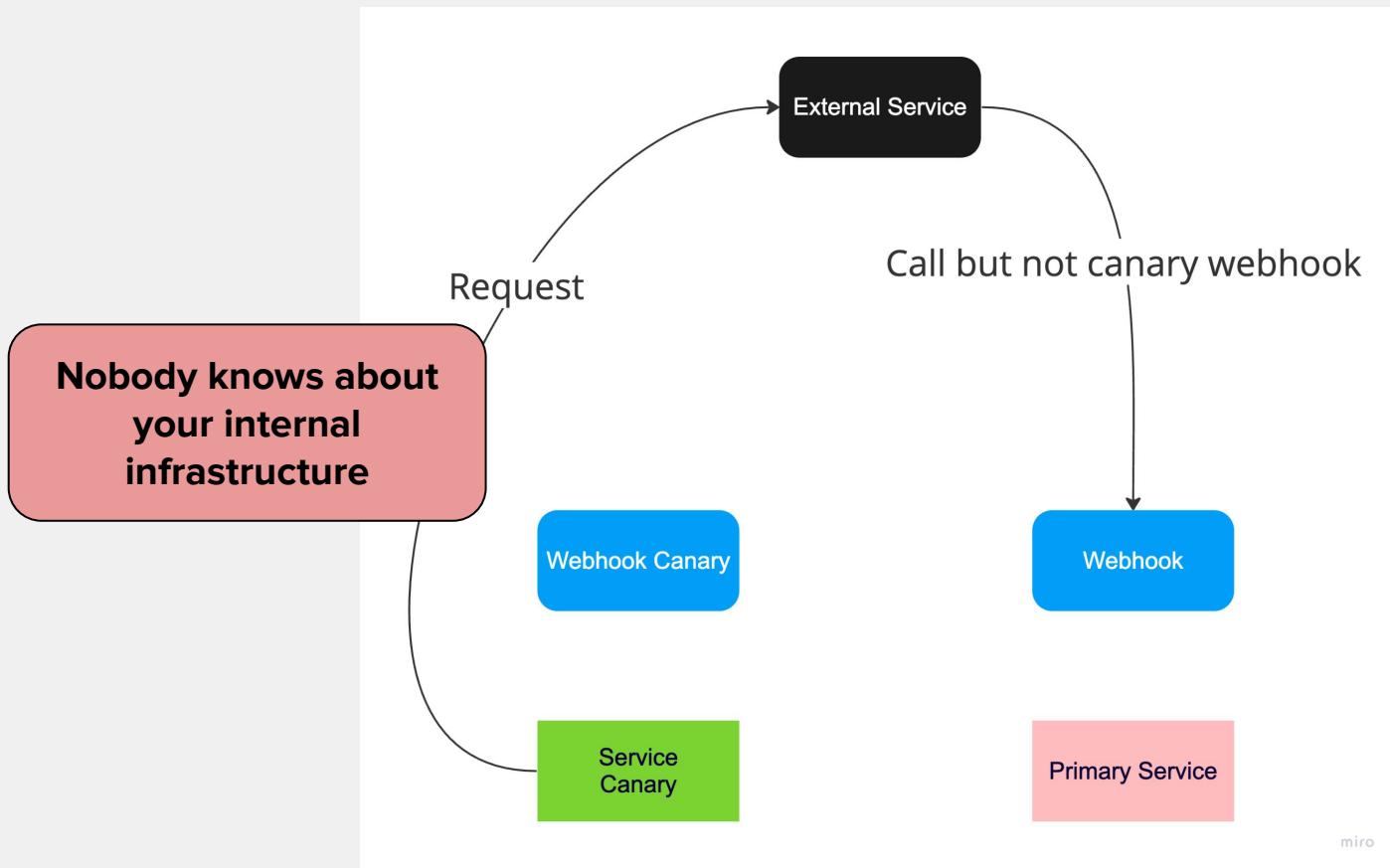
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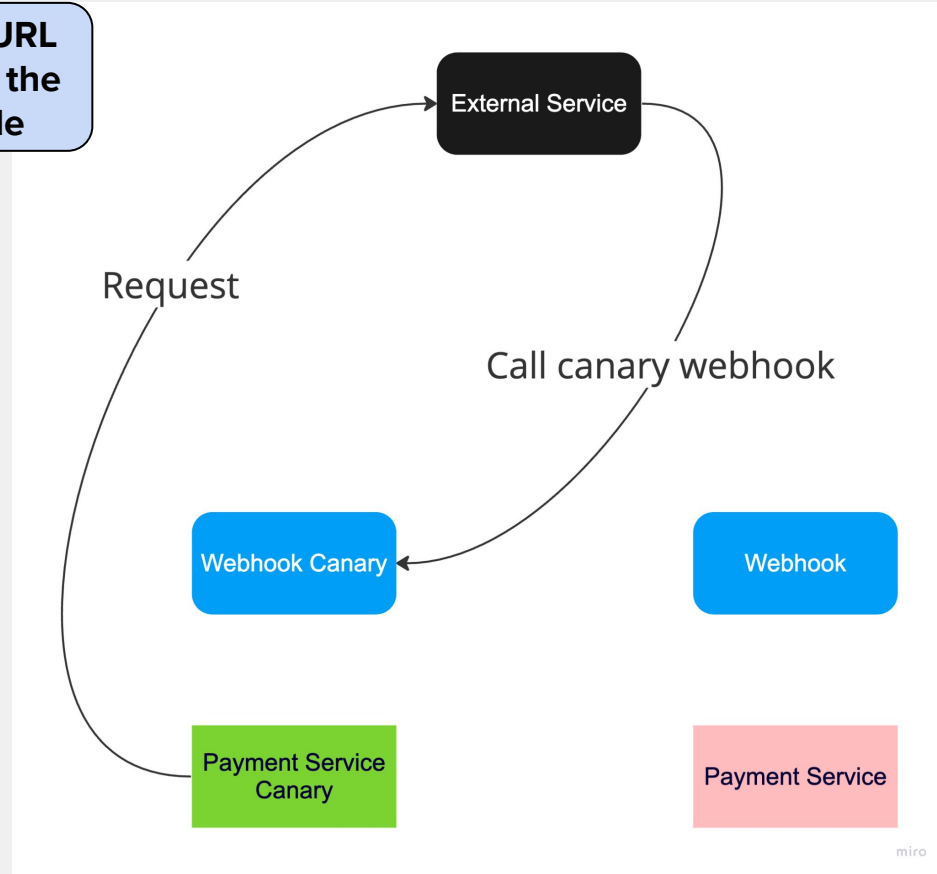


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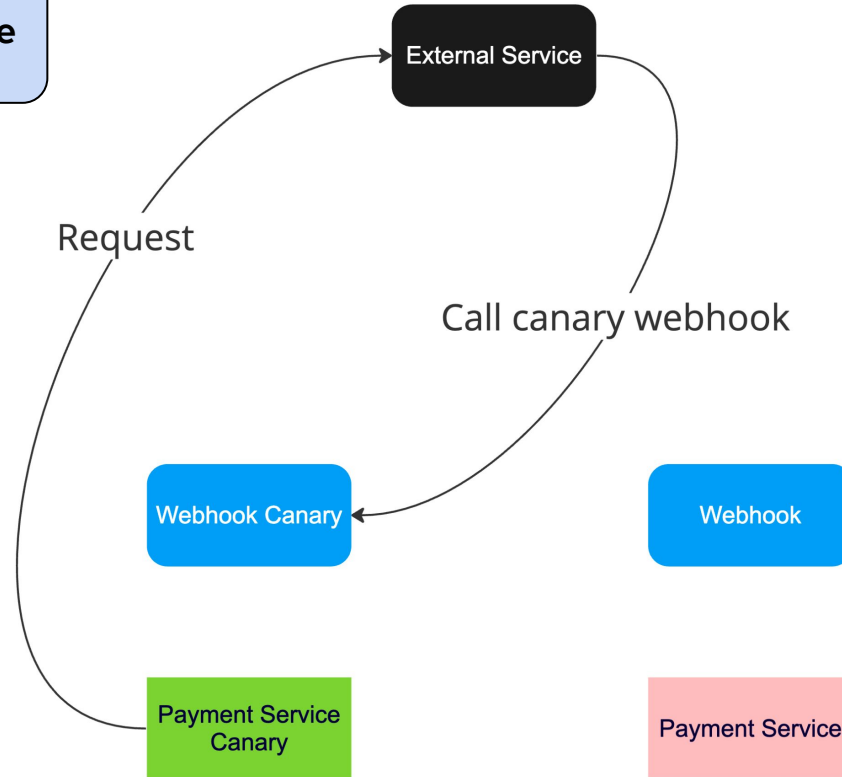
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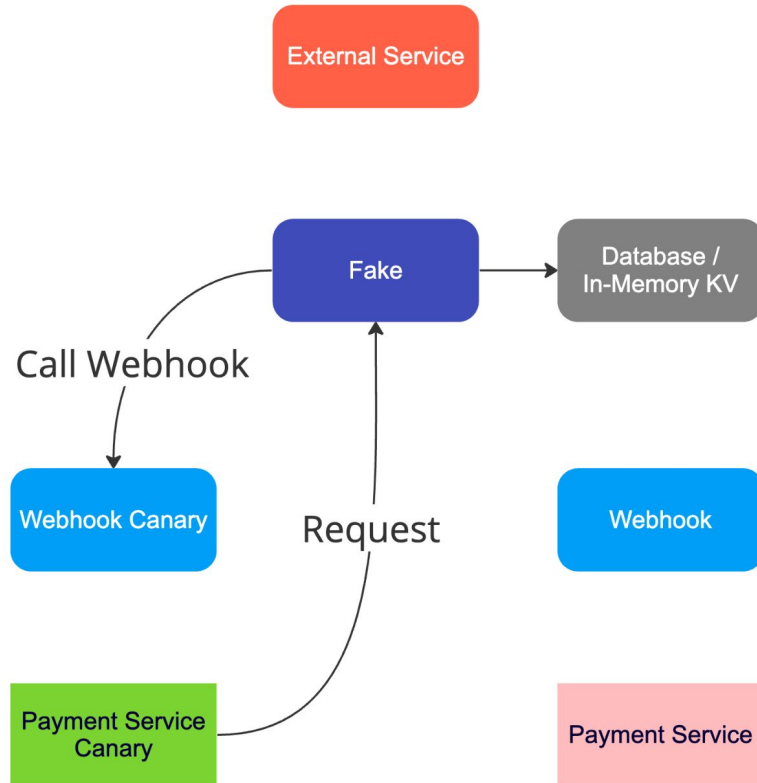
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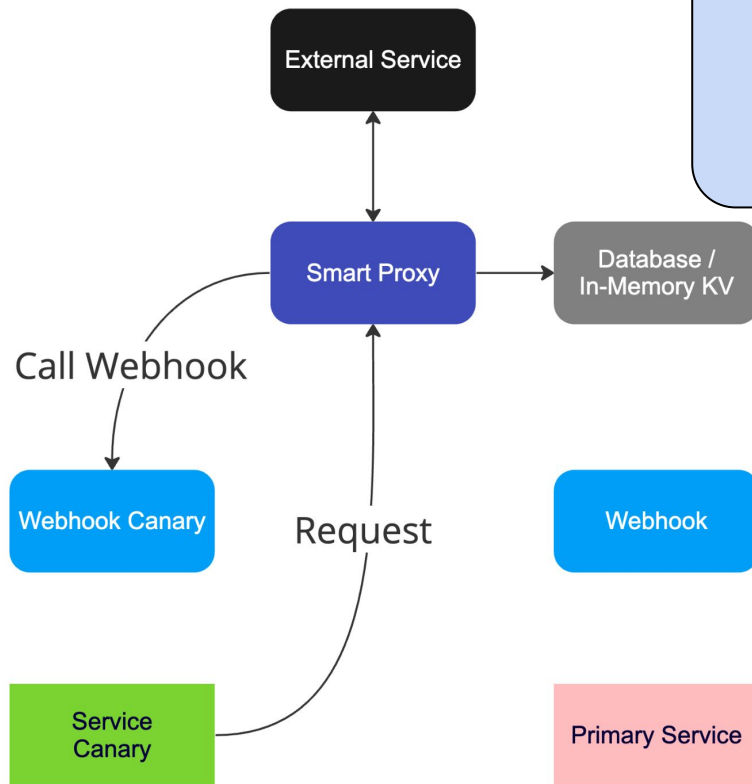
However, we affect Stable Dev

Solution #2: Webhooks



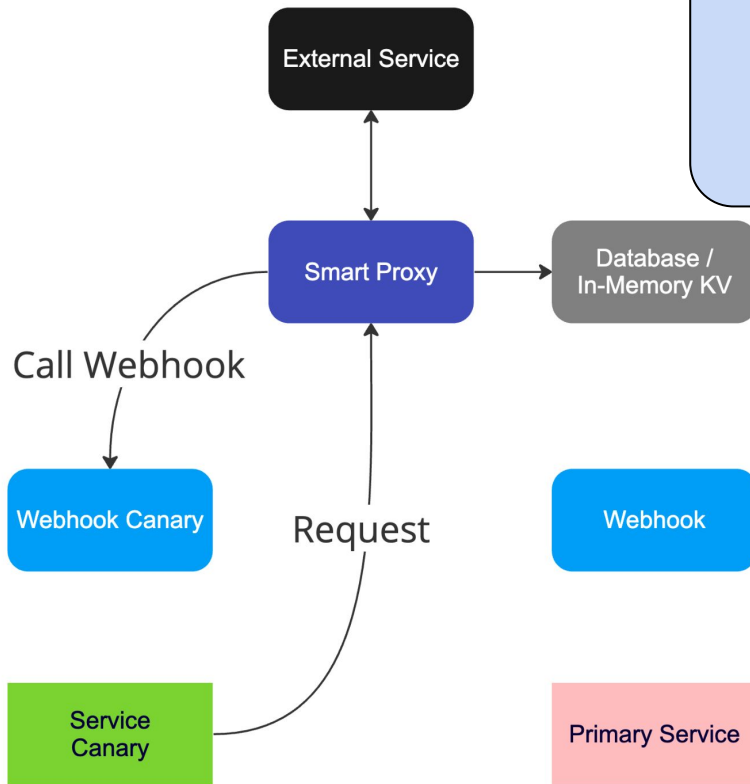
**Create advanced mock or Fake
to get rid of
External Service dependency at all**

Solution #3: Webhooks



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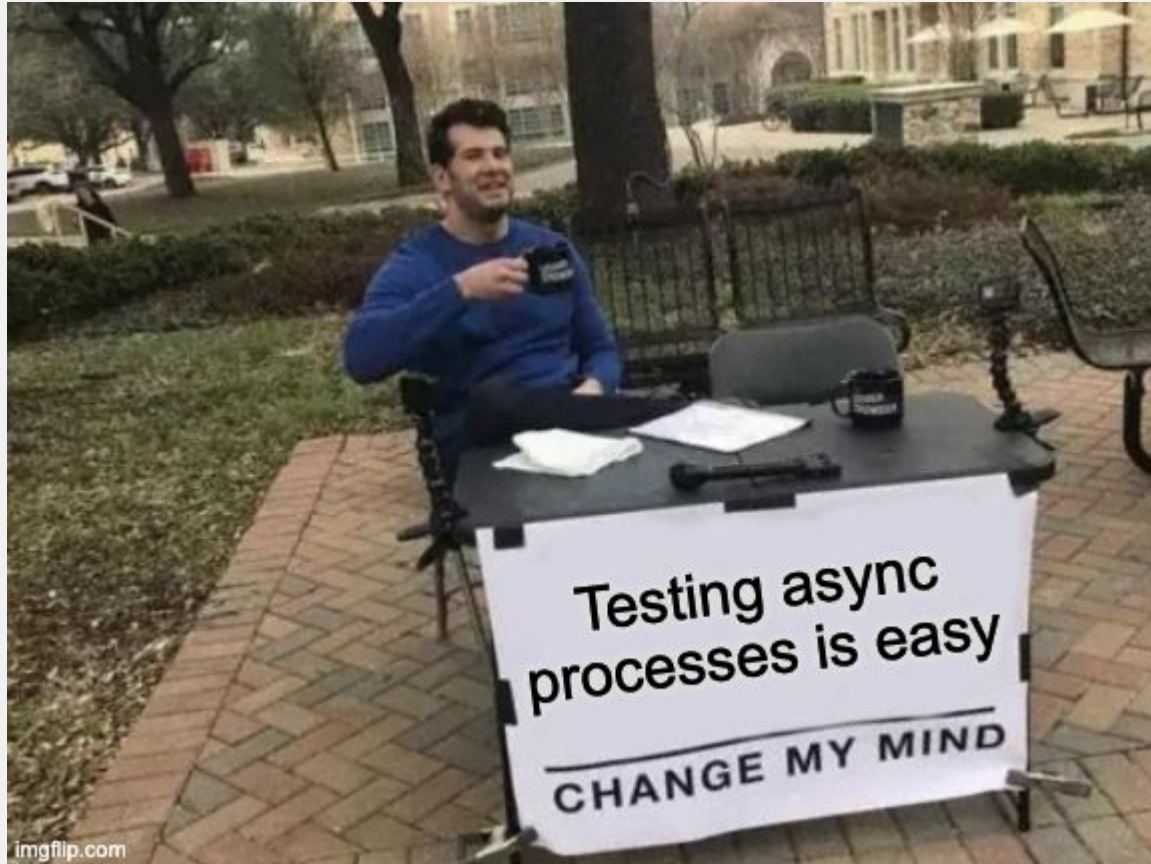
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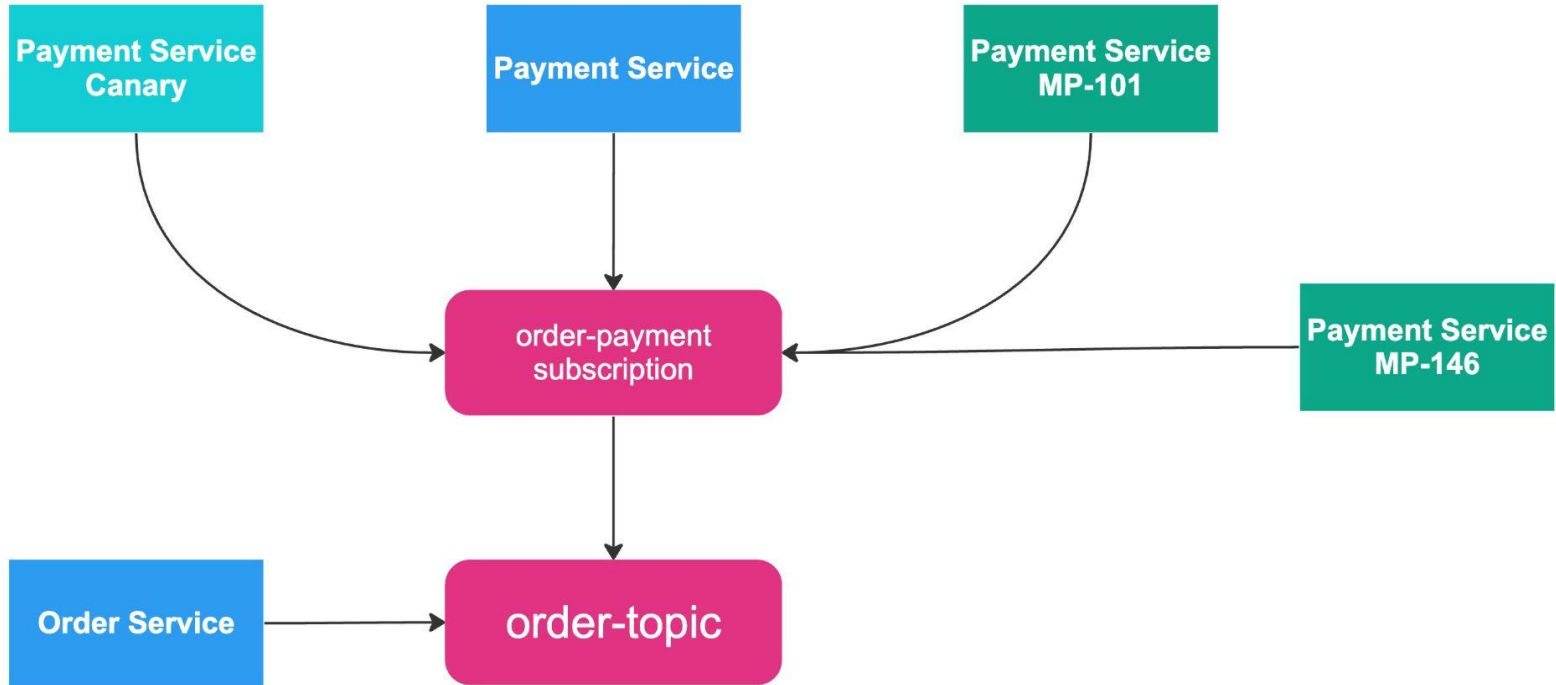
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We chose this approach

Unblocking Async Scenarios

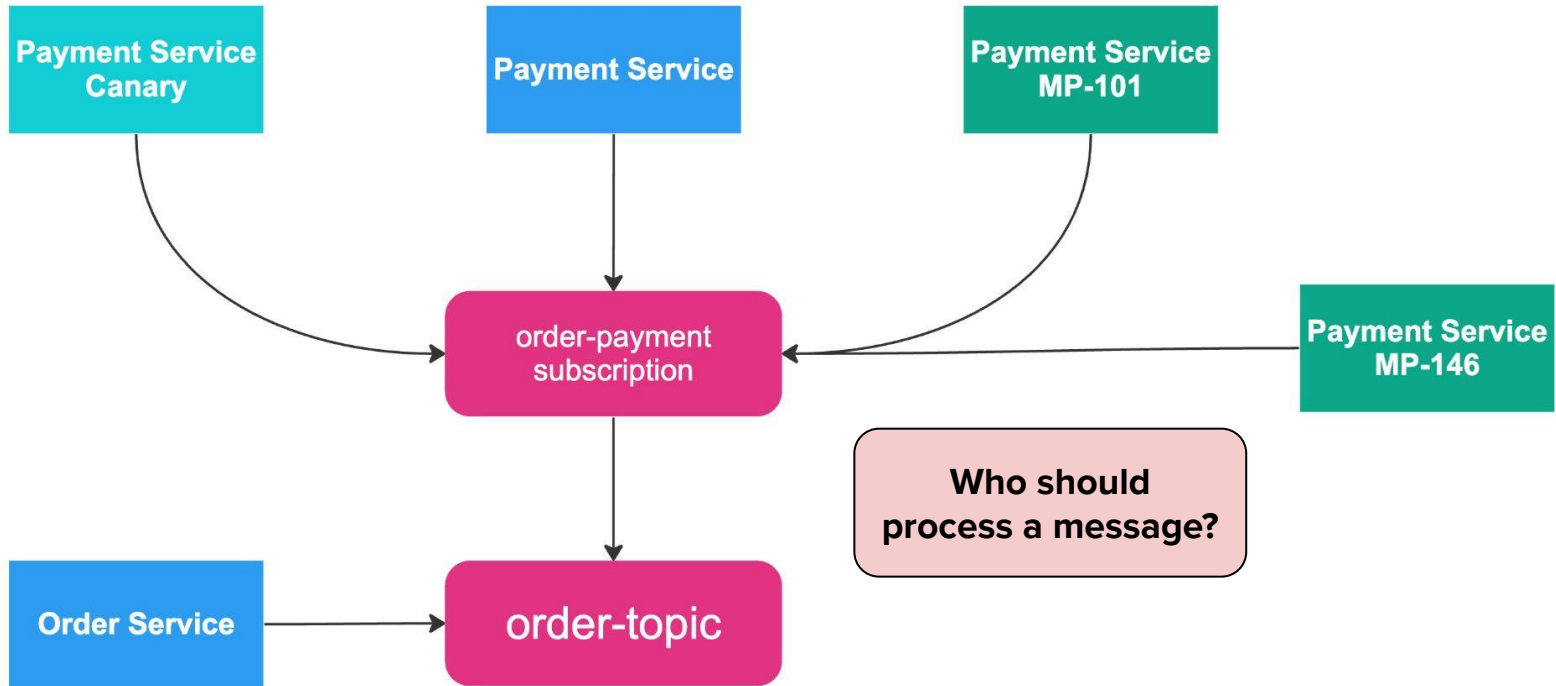


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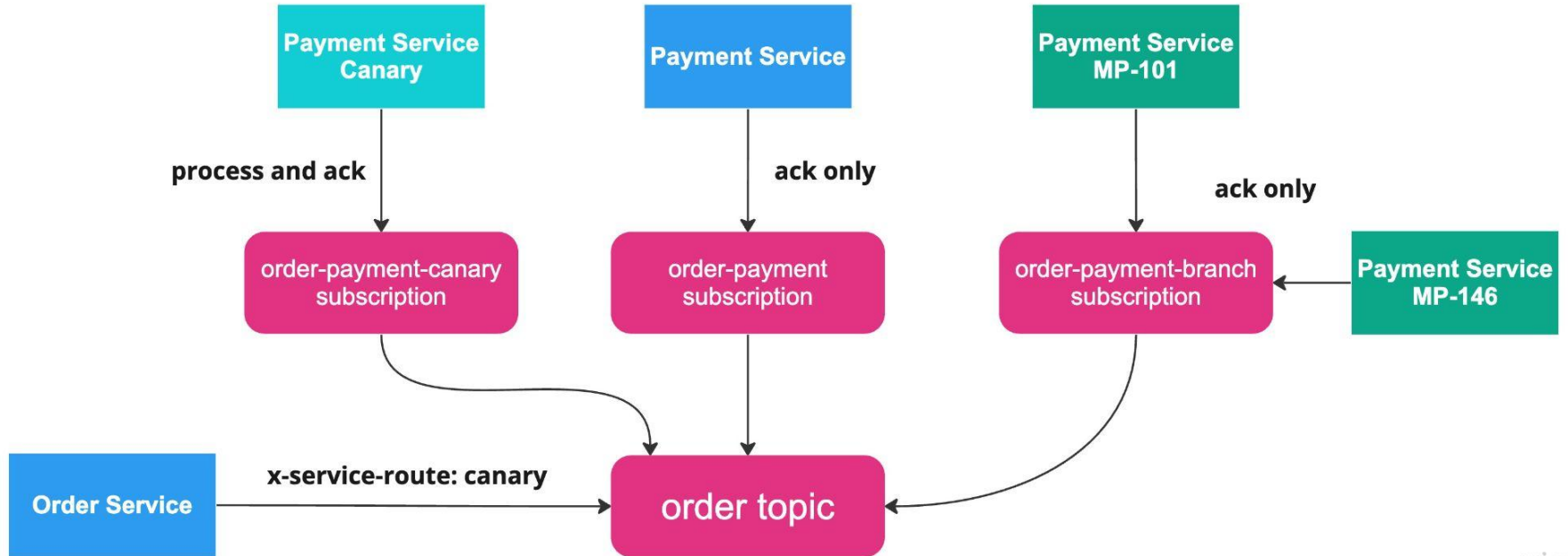
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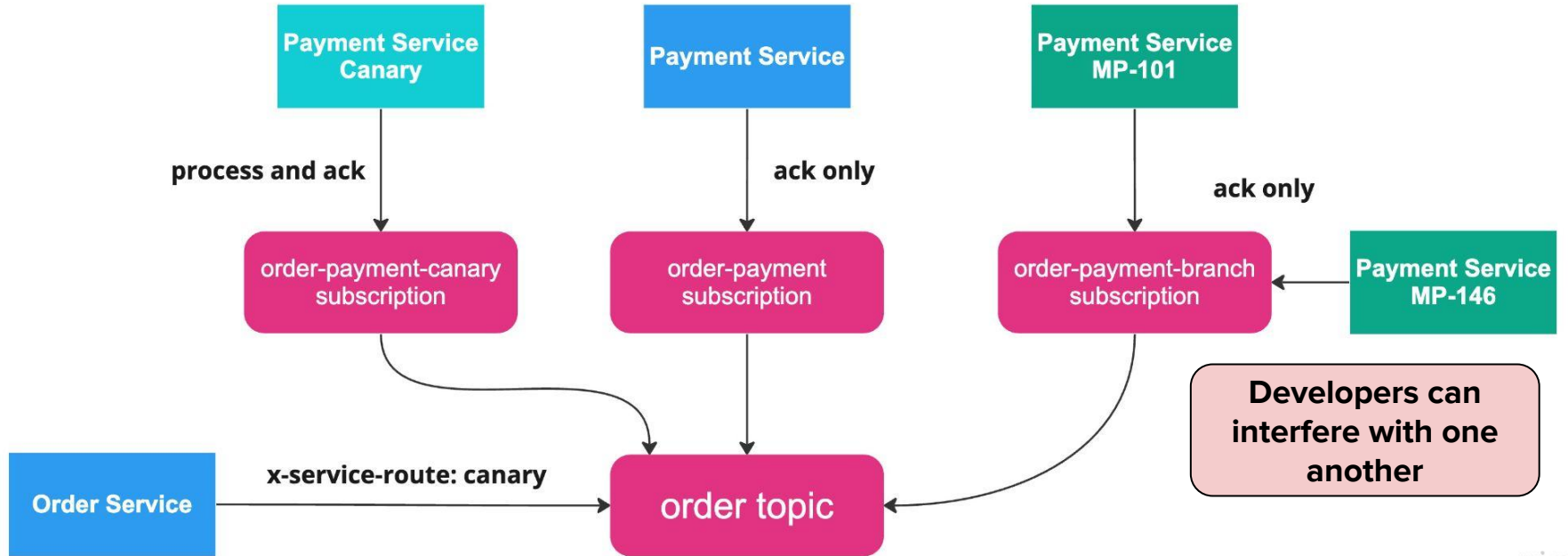


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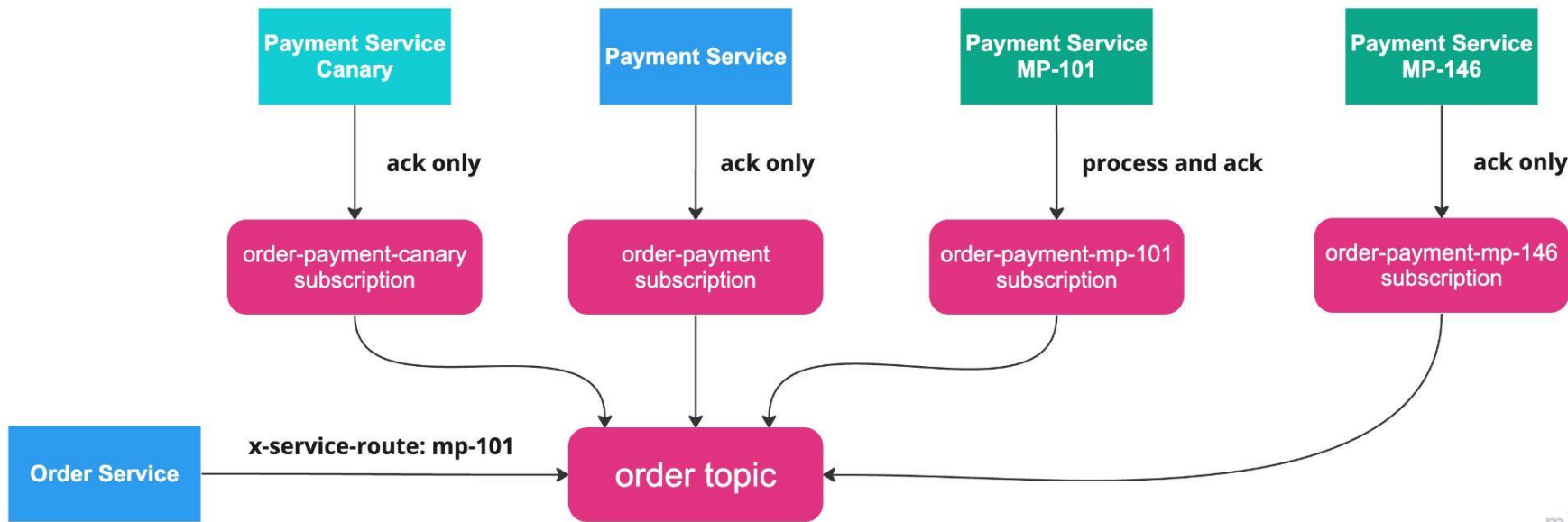


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Subscription per Branch



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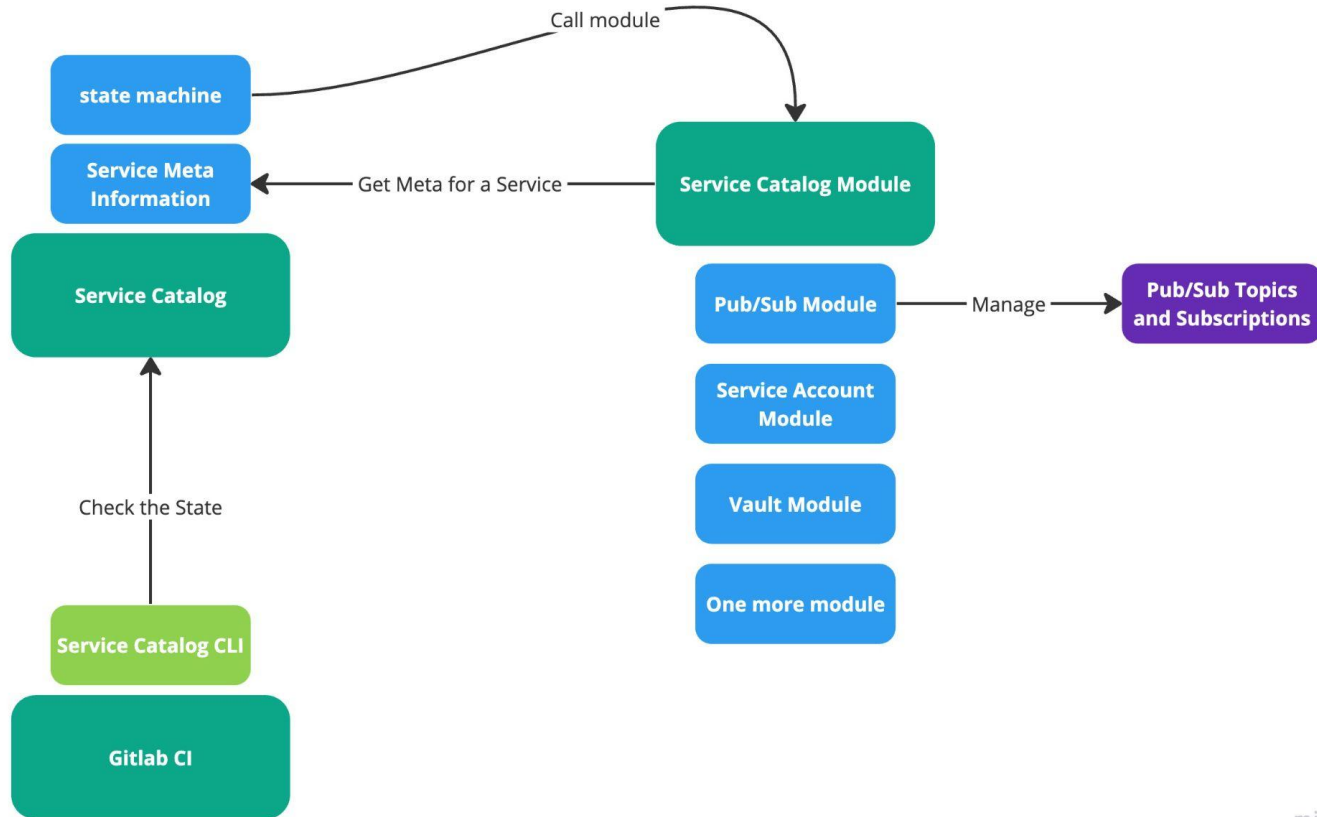
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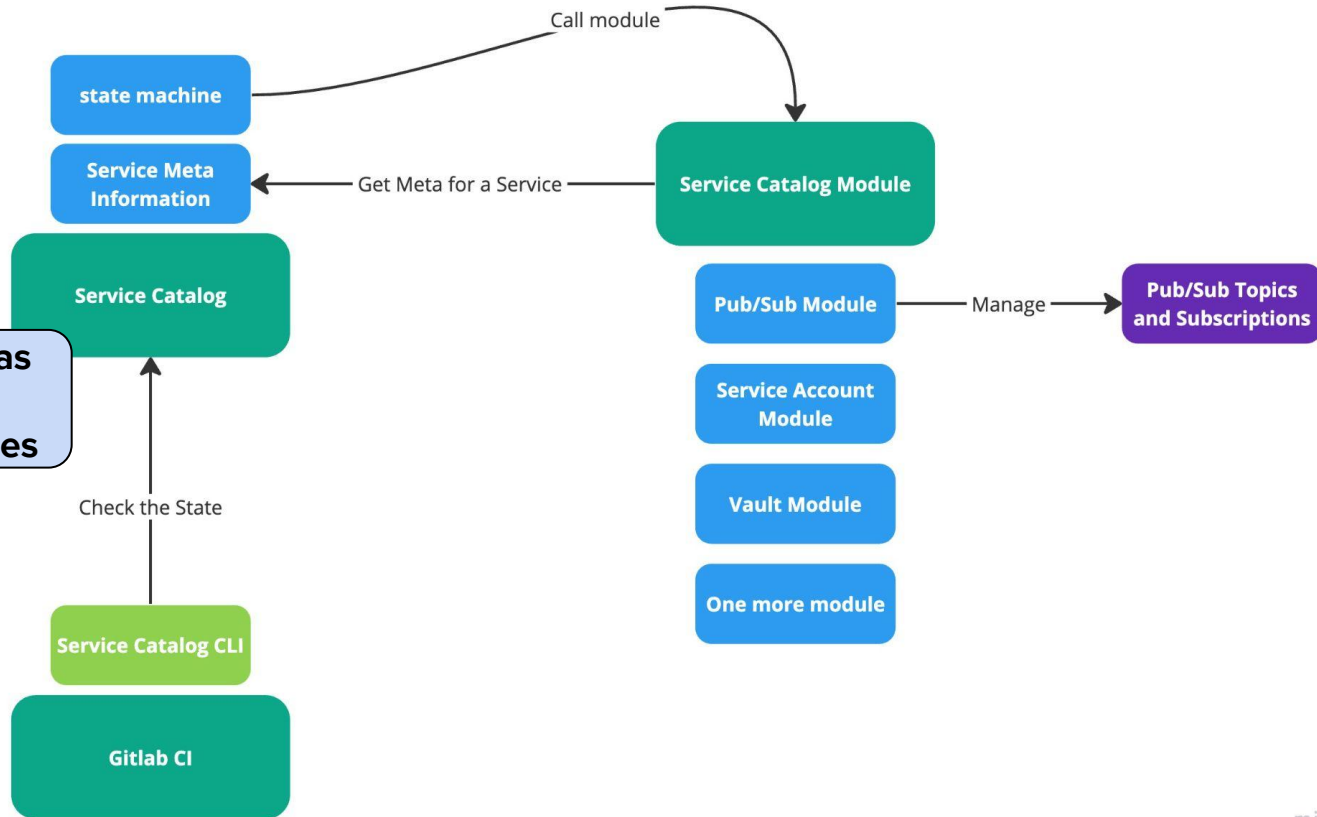
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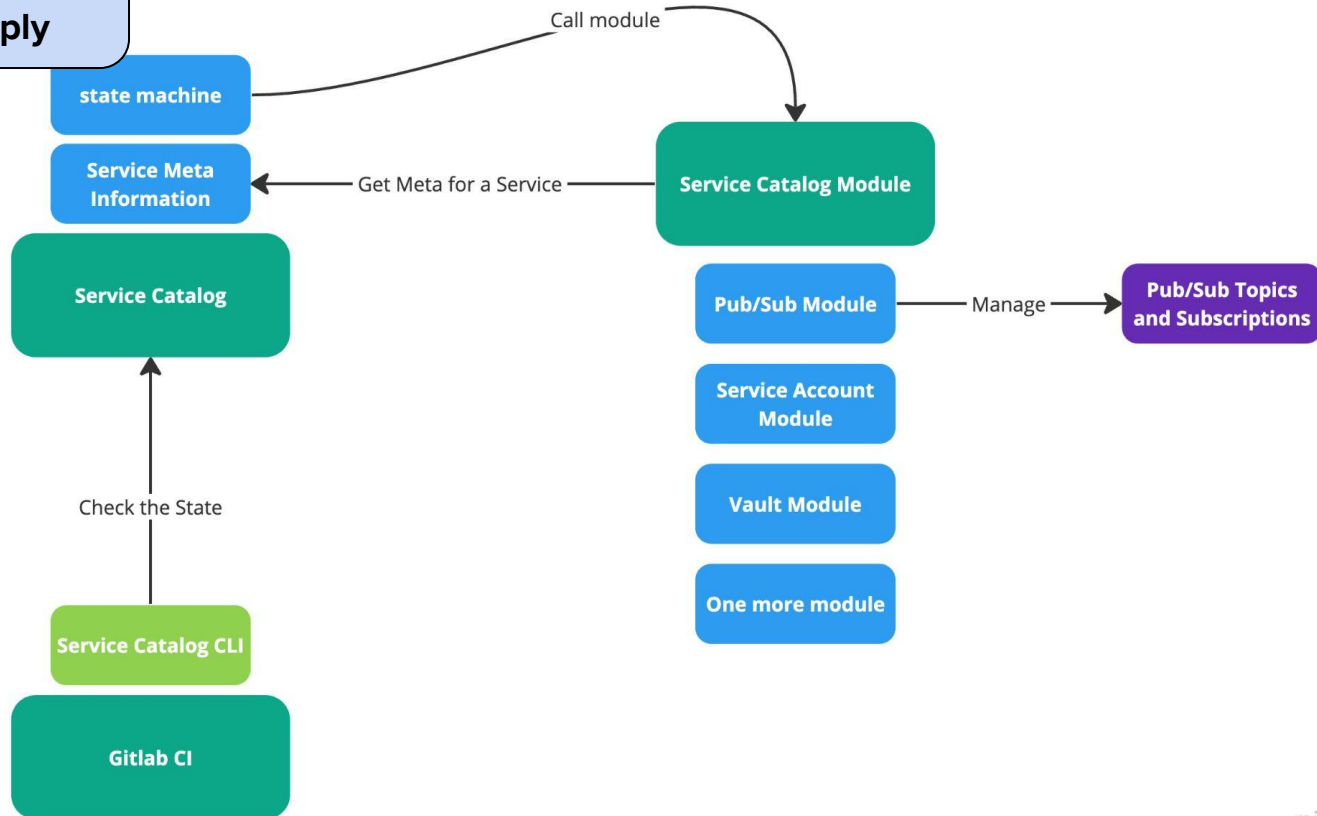


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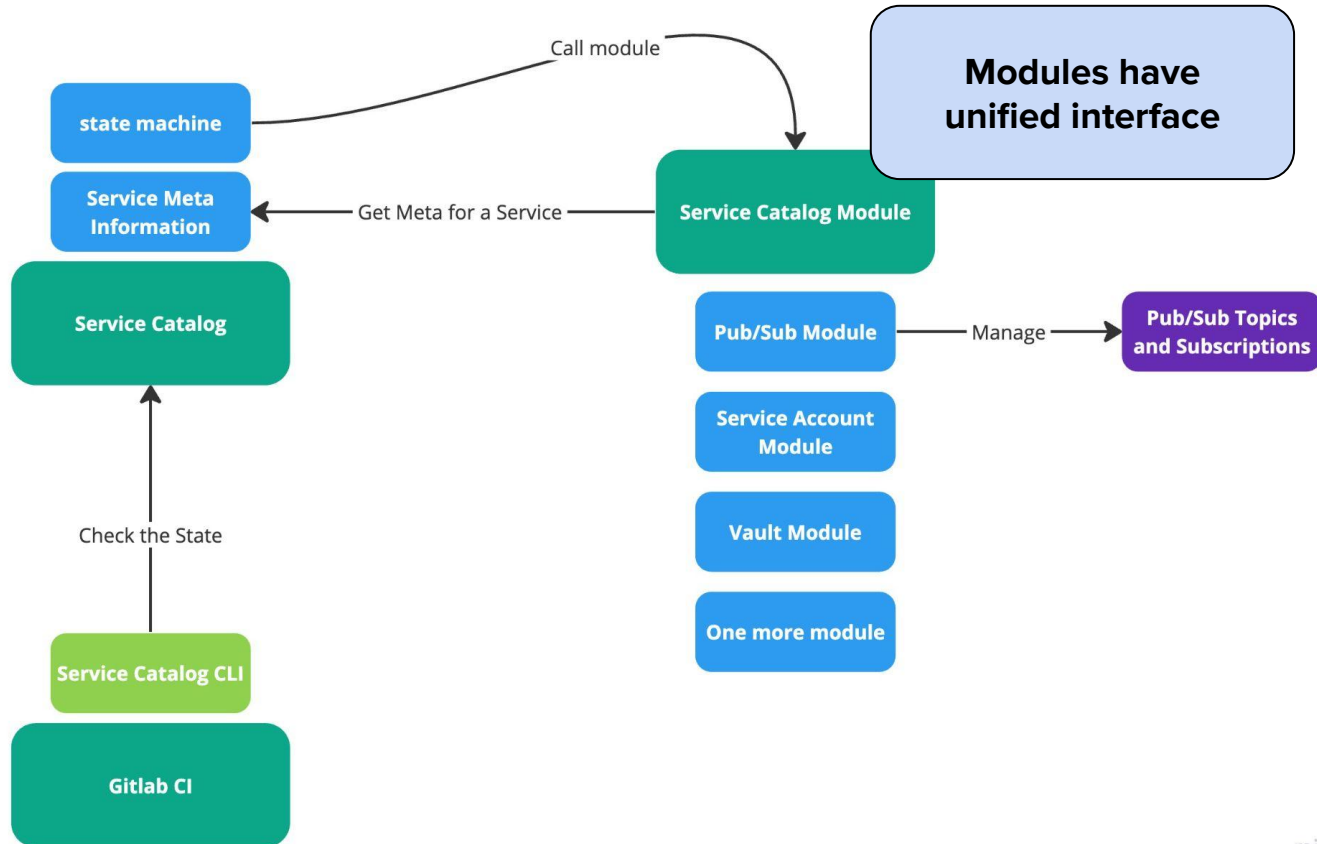


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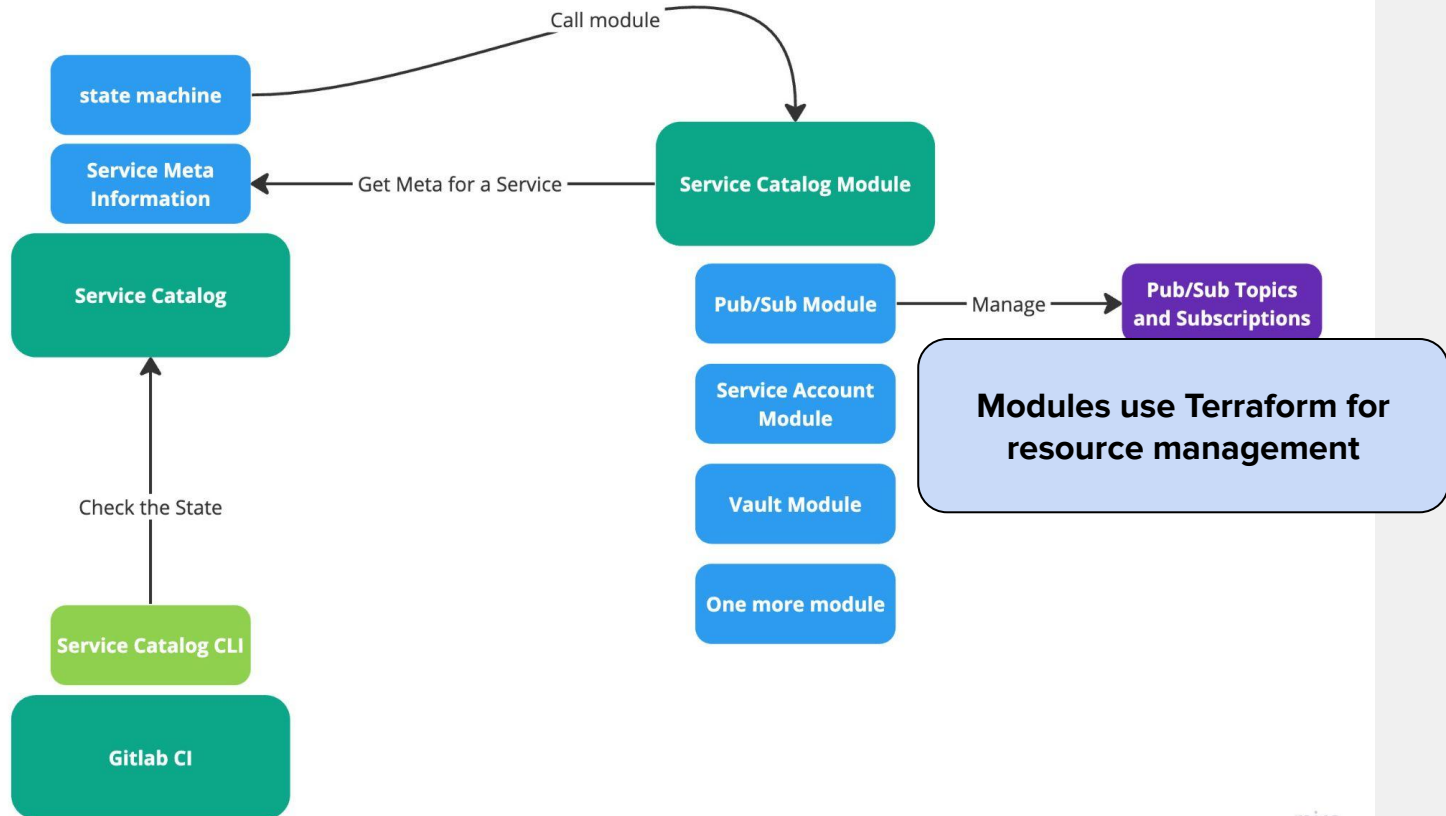
On metadata change
the state machine
tries to re-apply



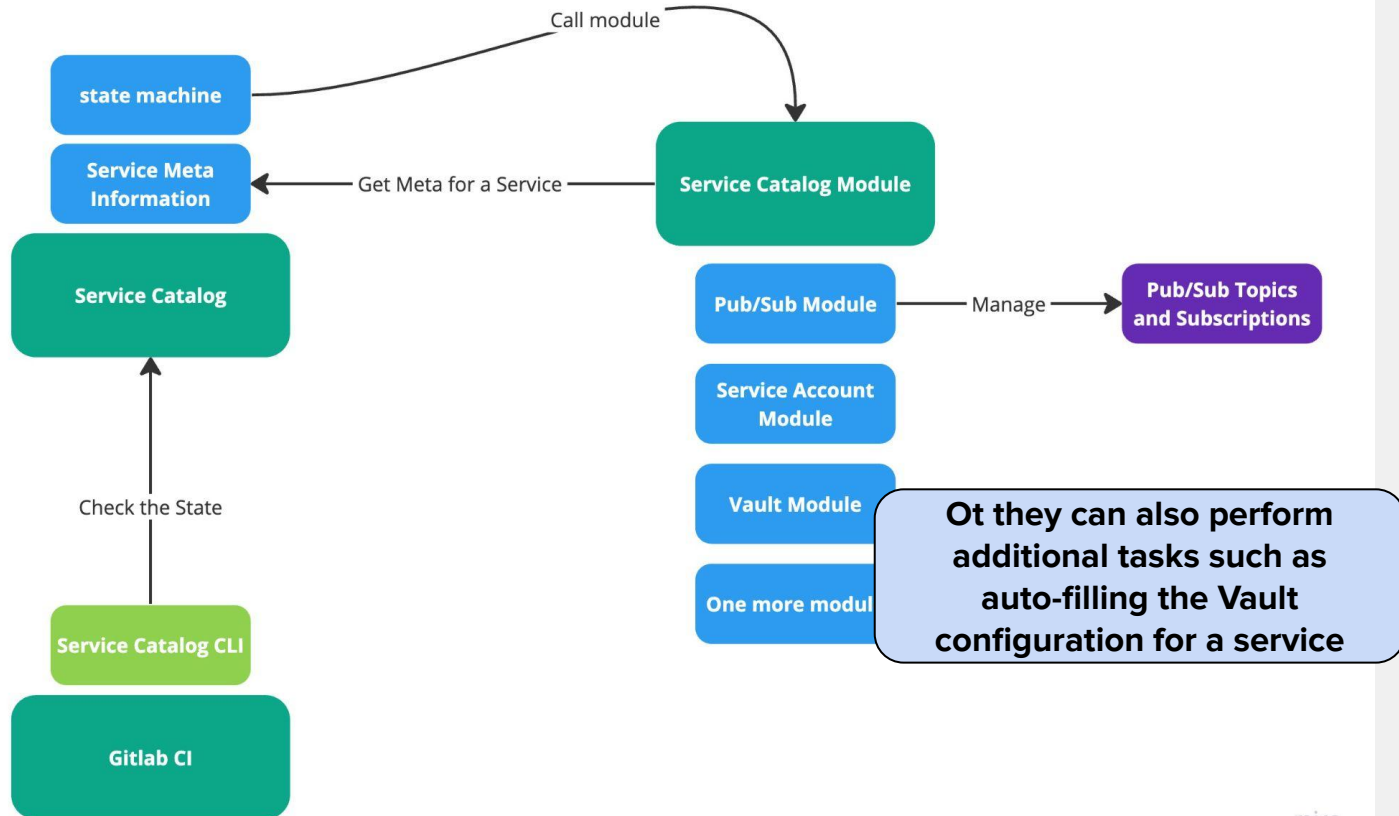
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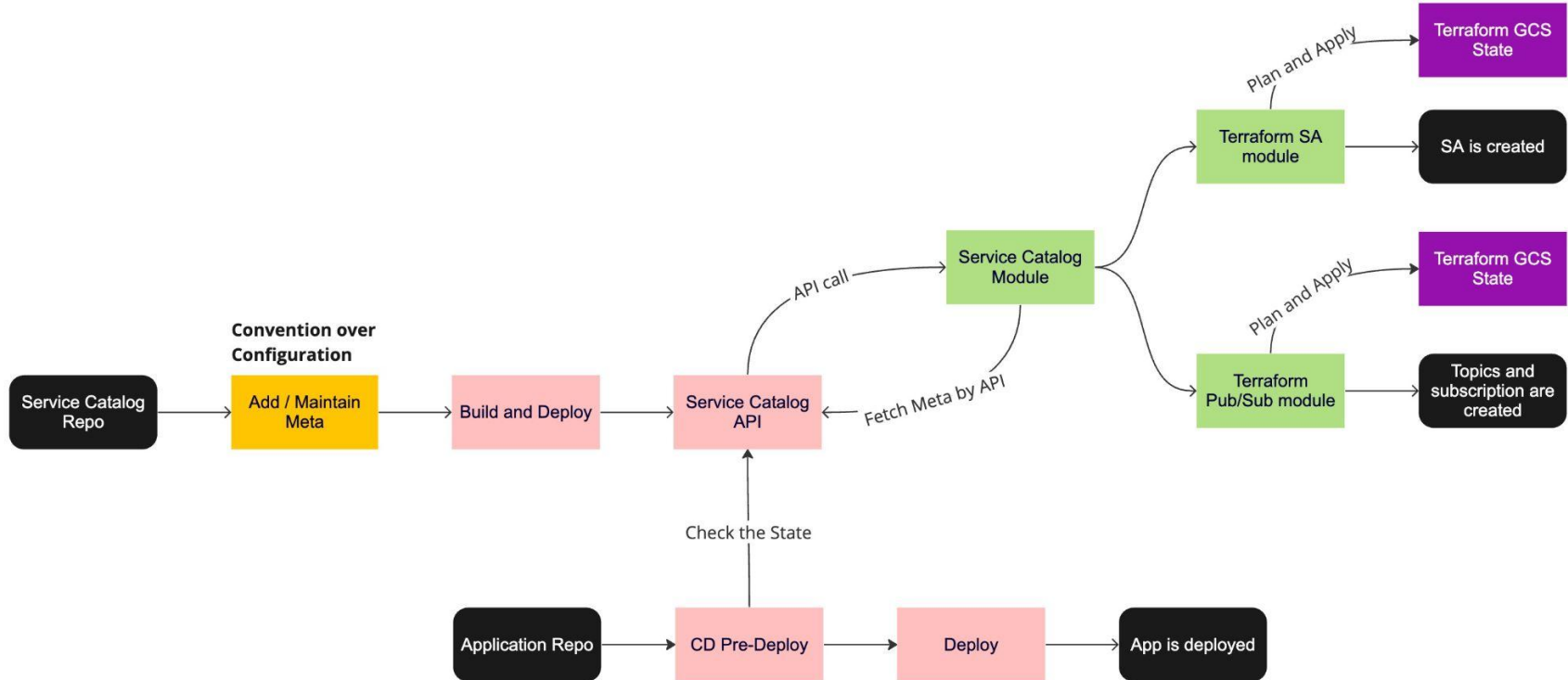
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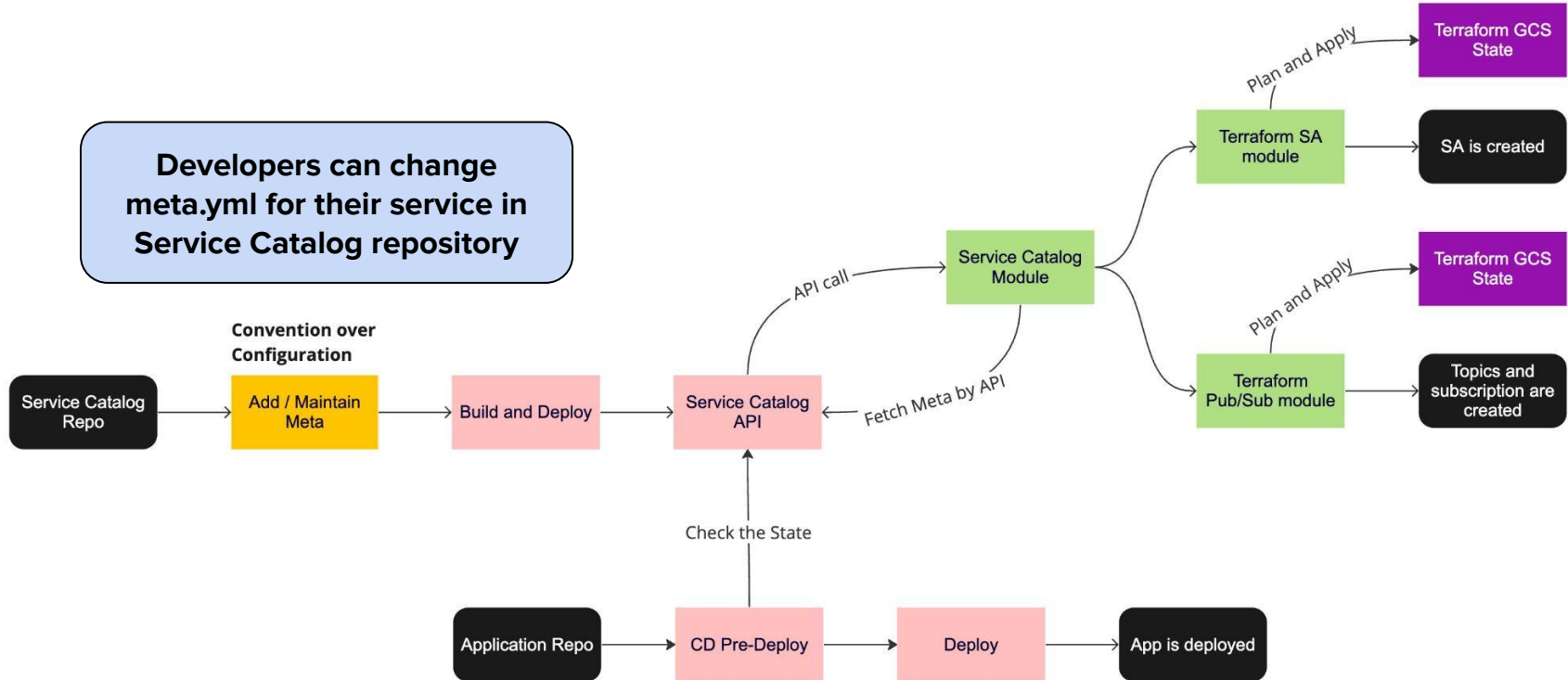
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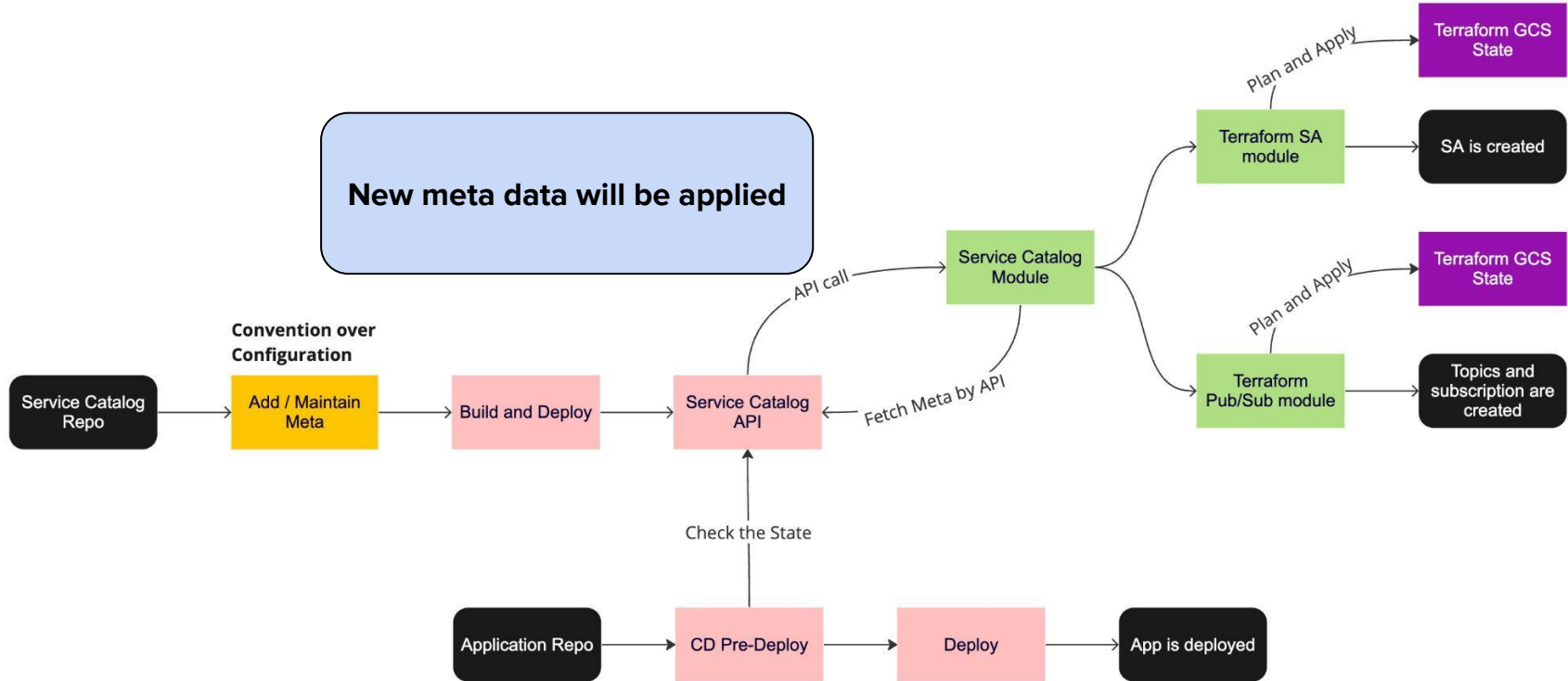
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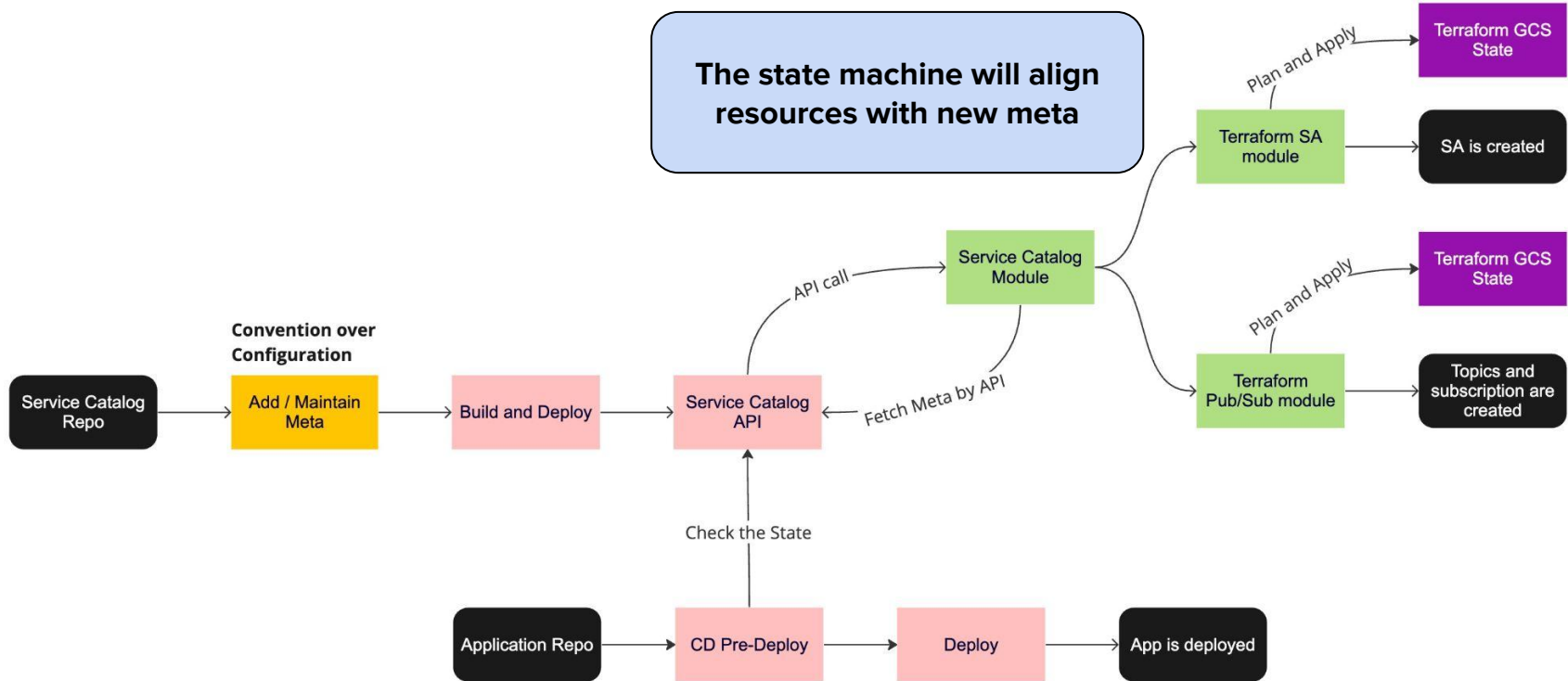
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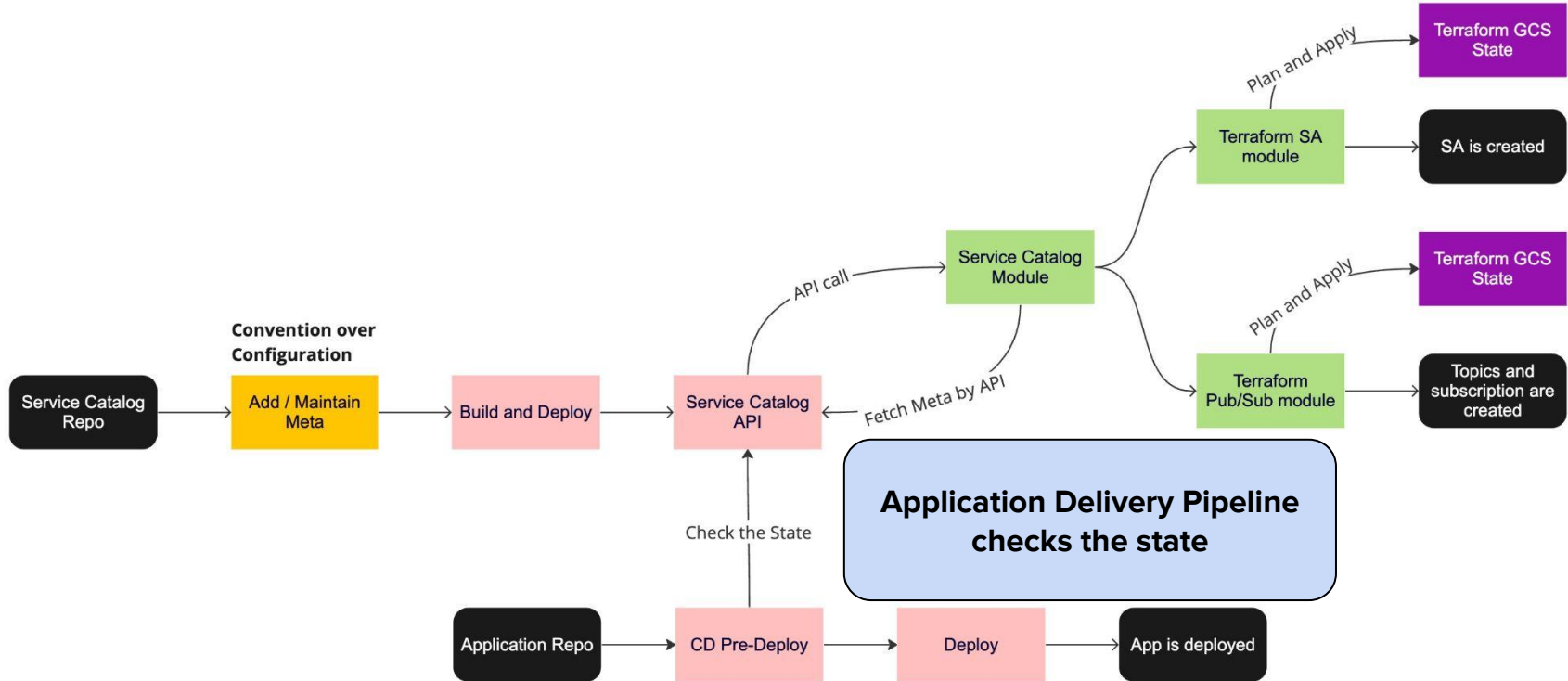
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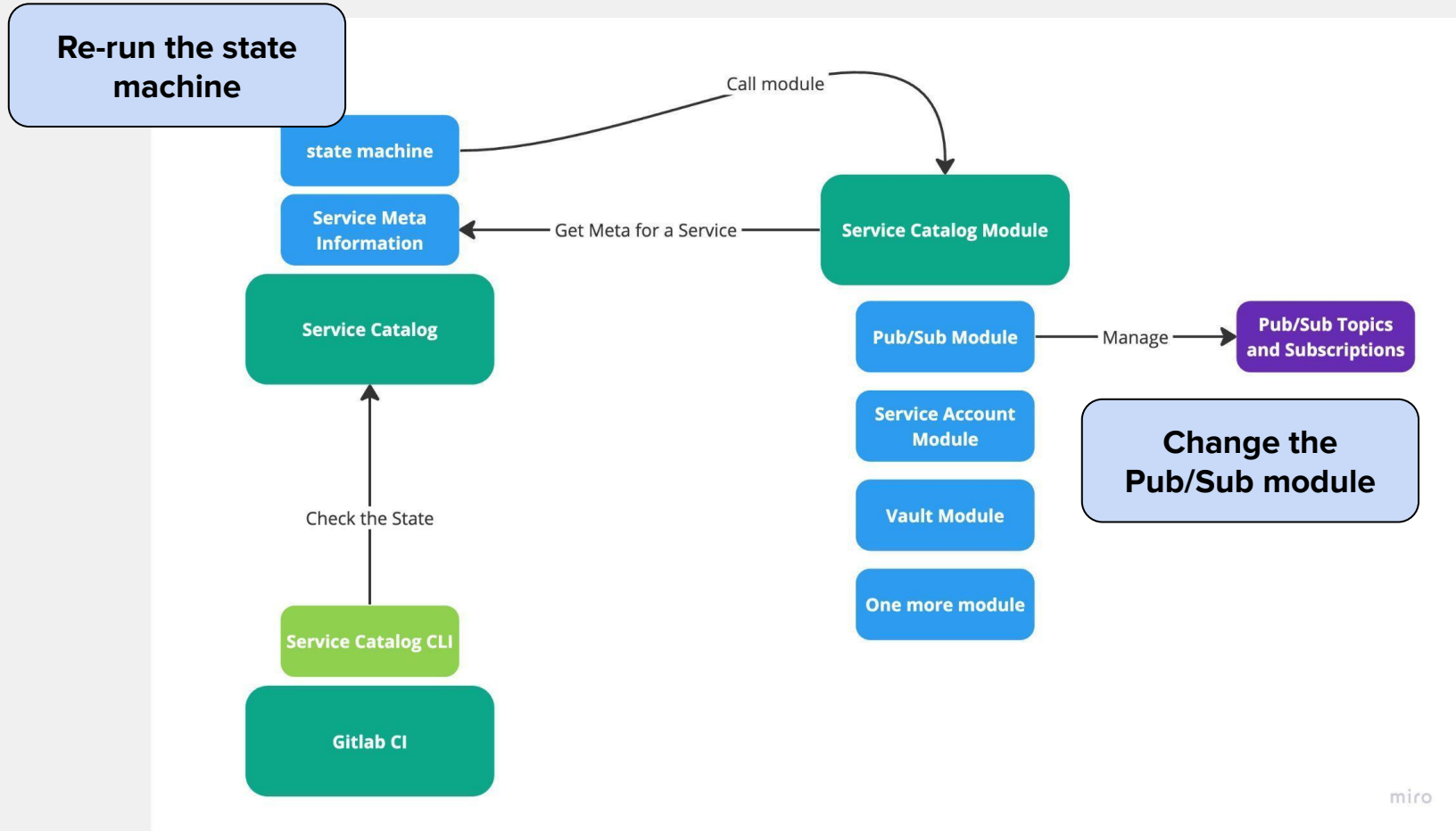
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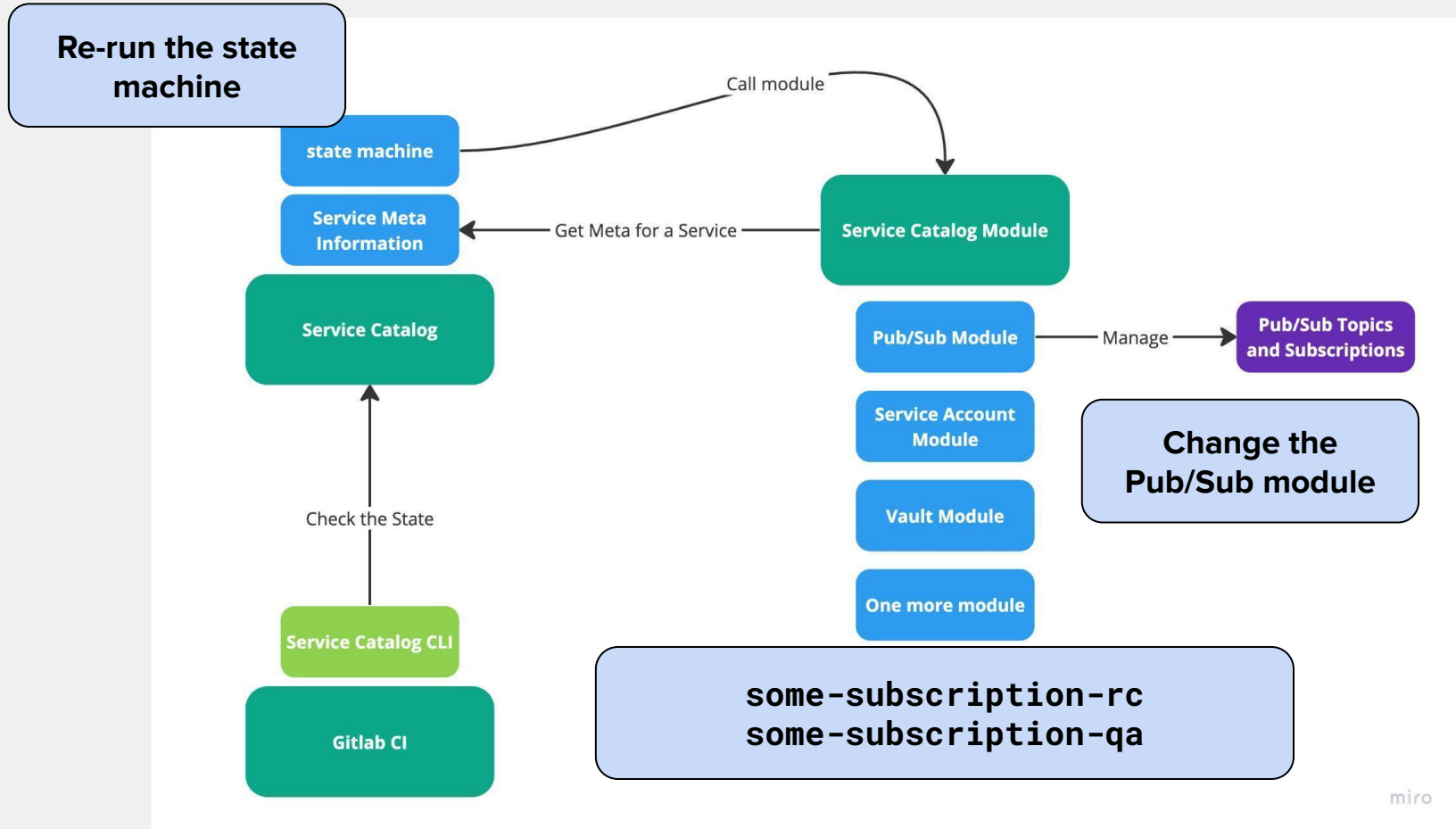
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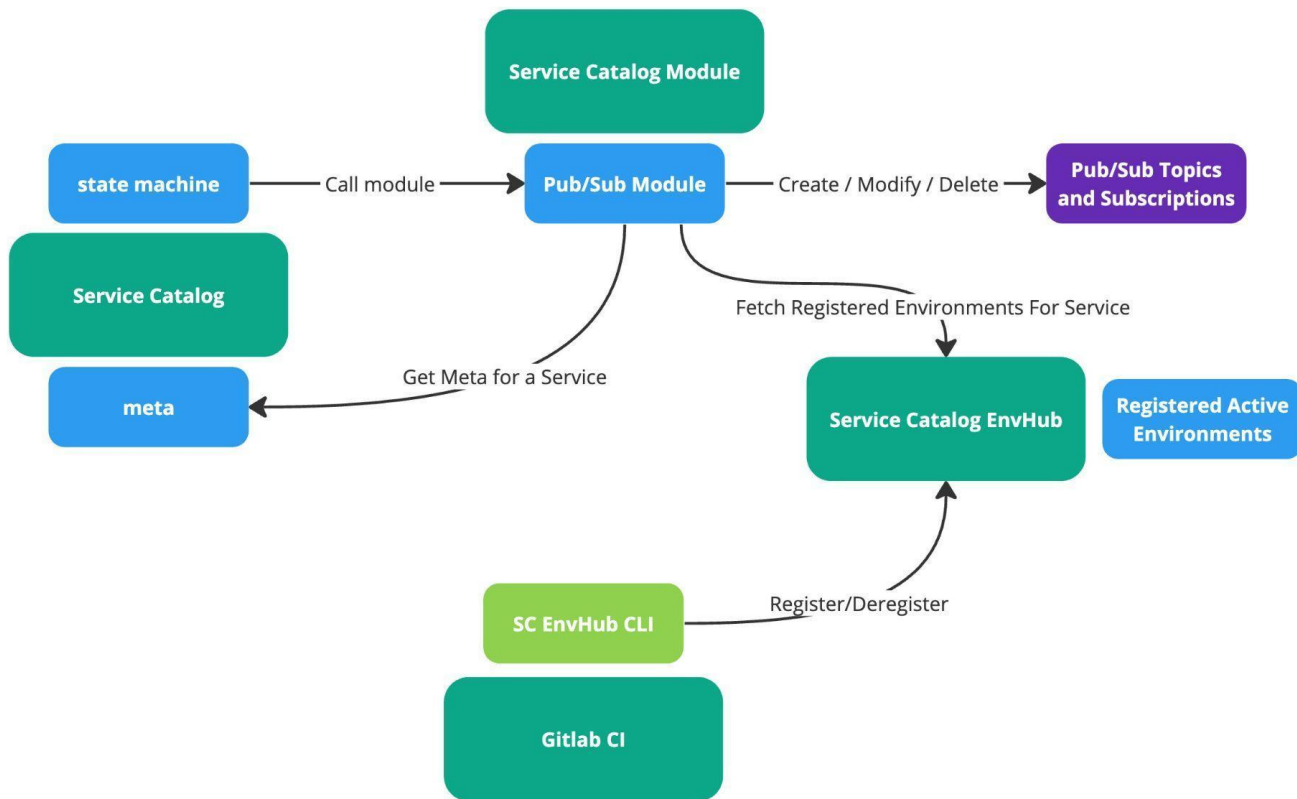
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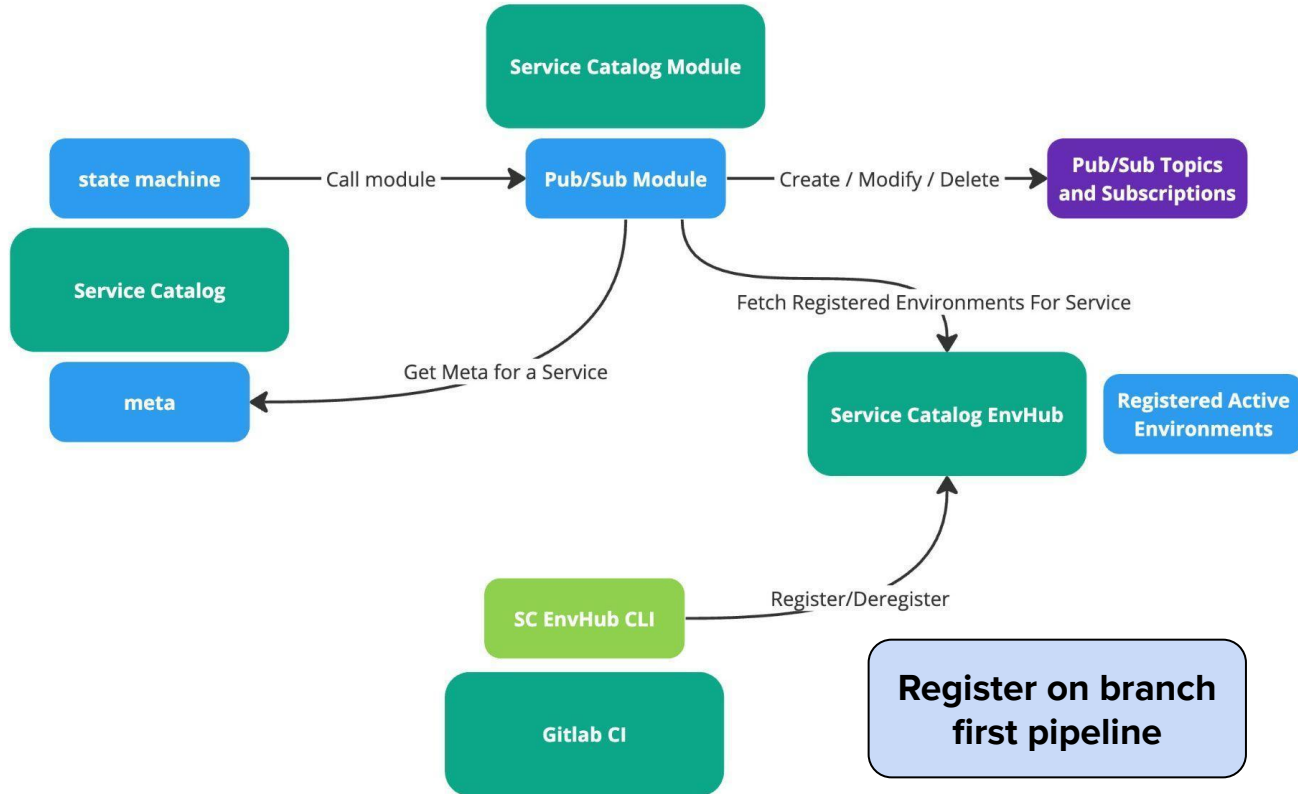
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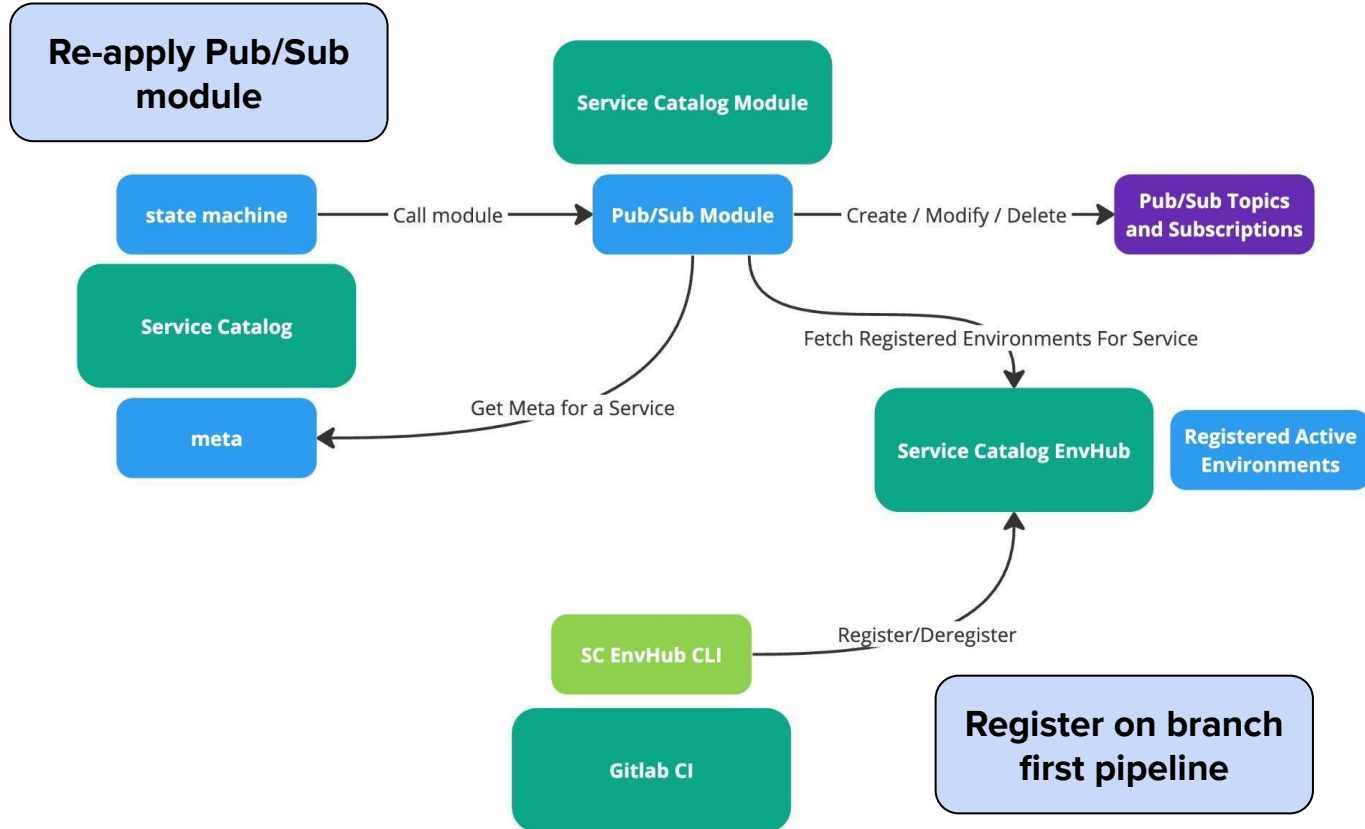
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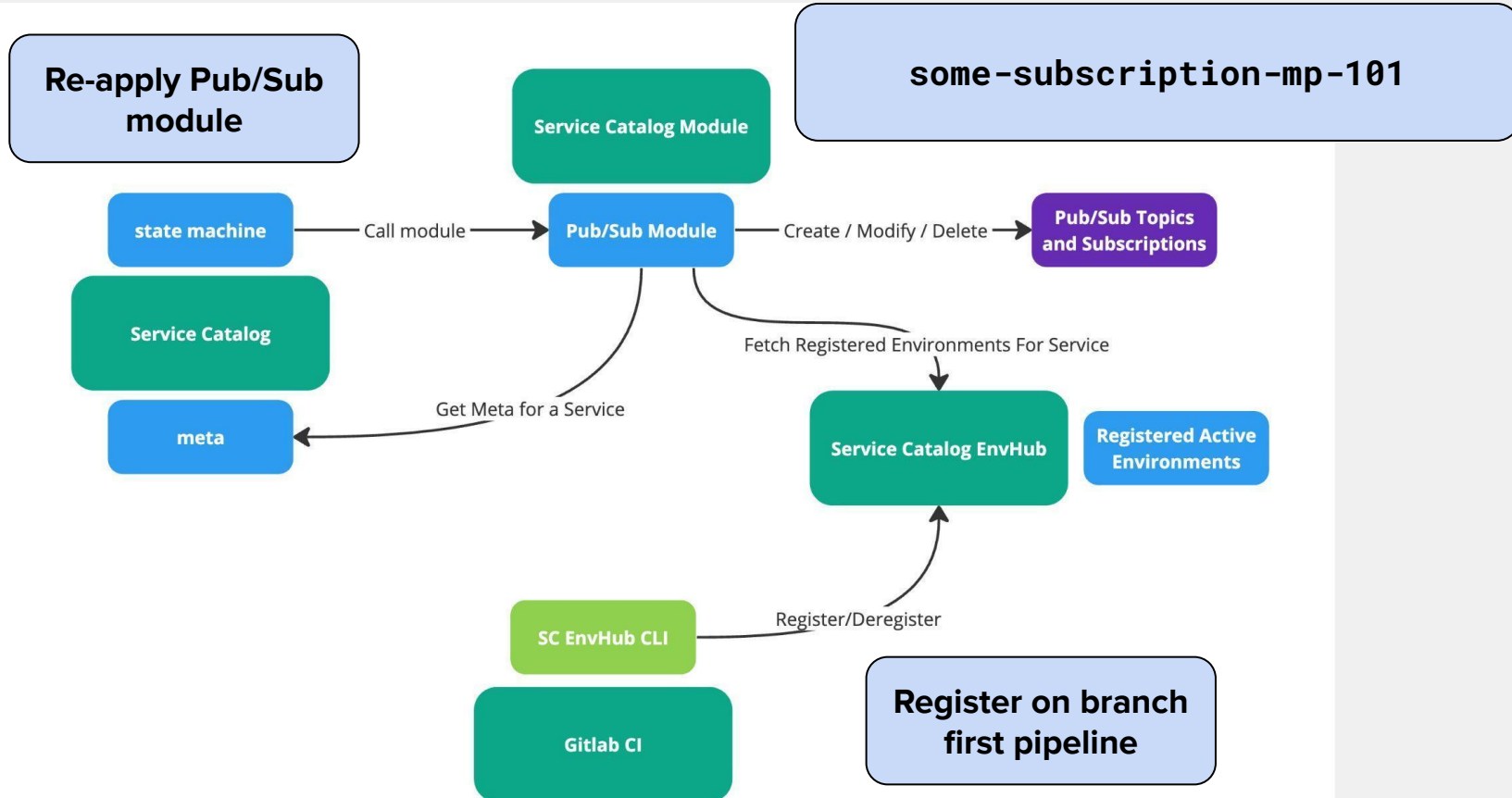
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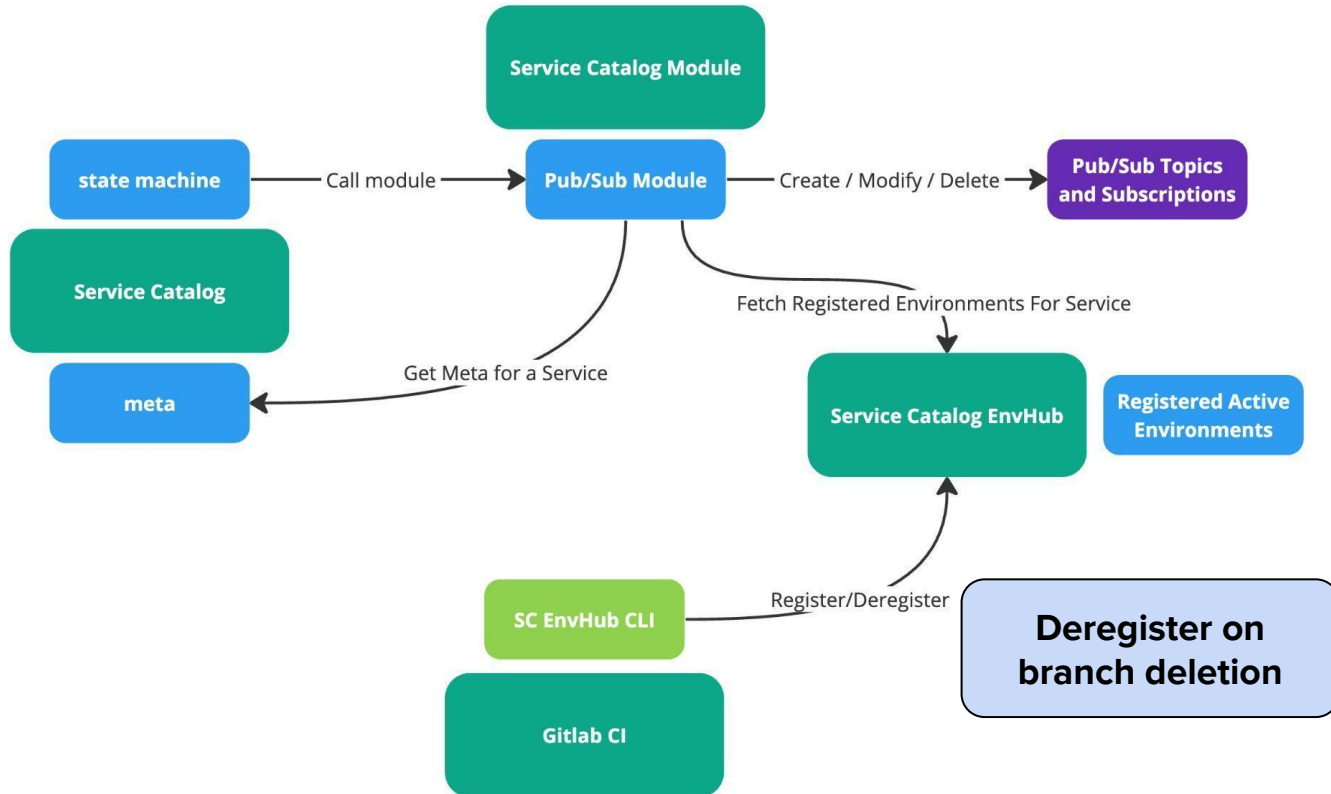
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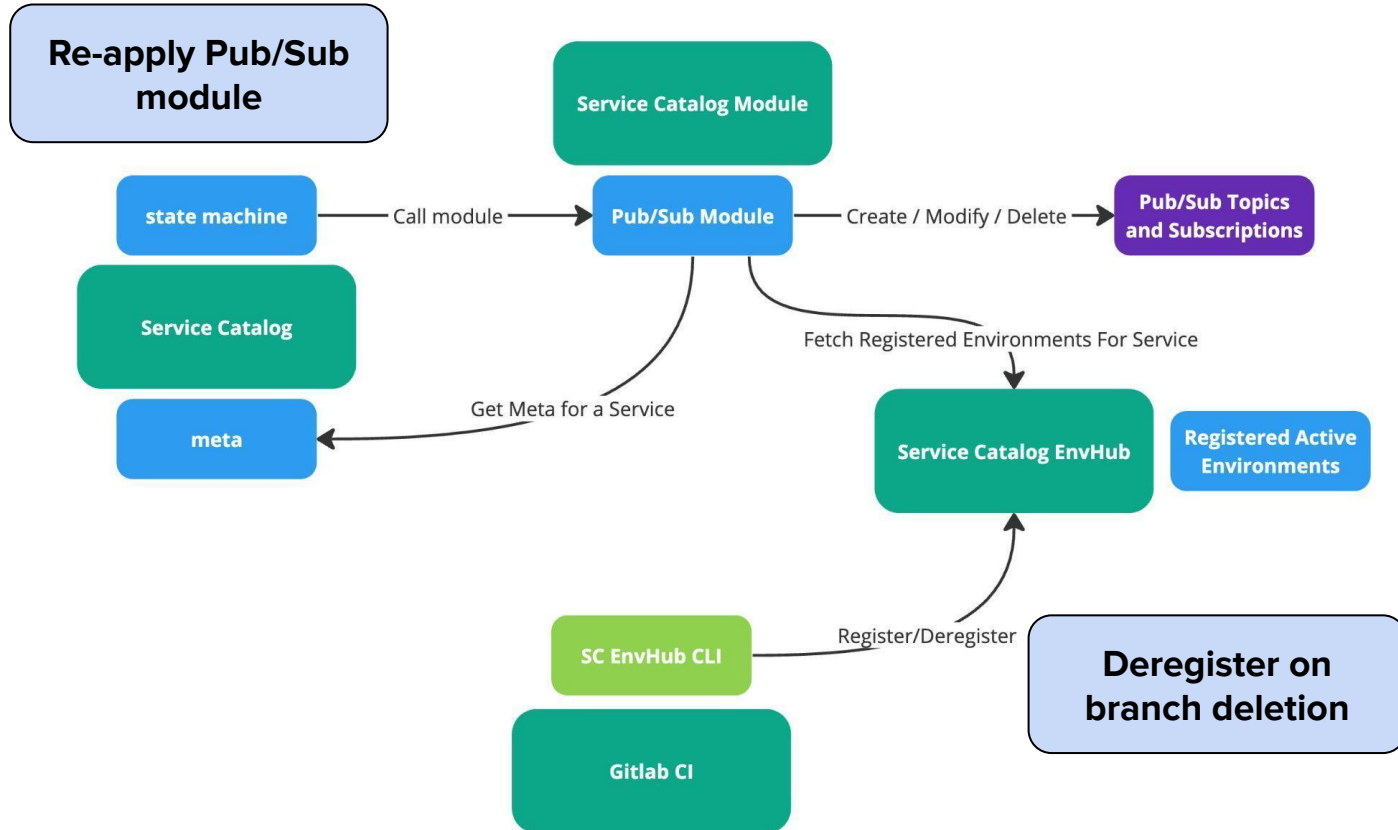
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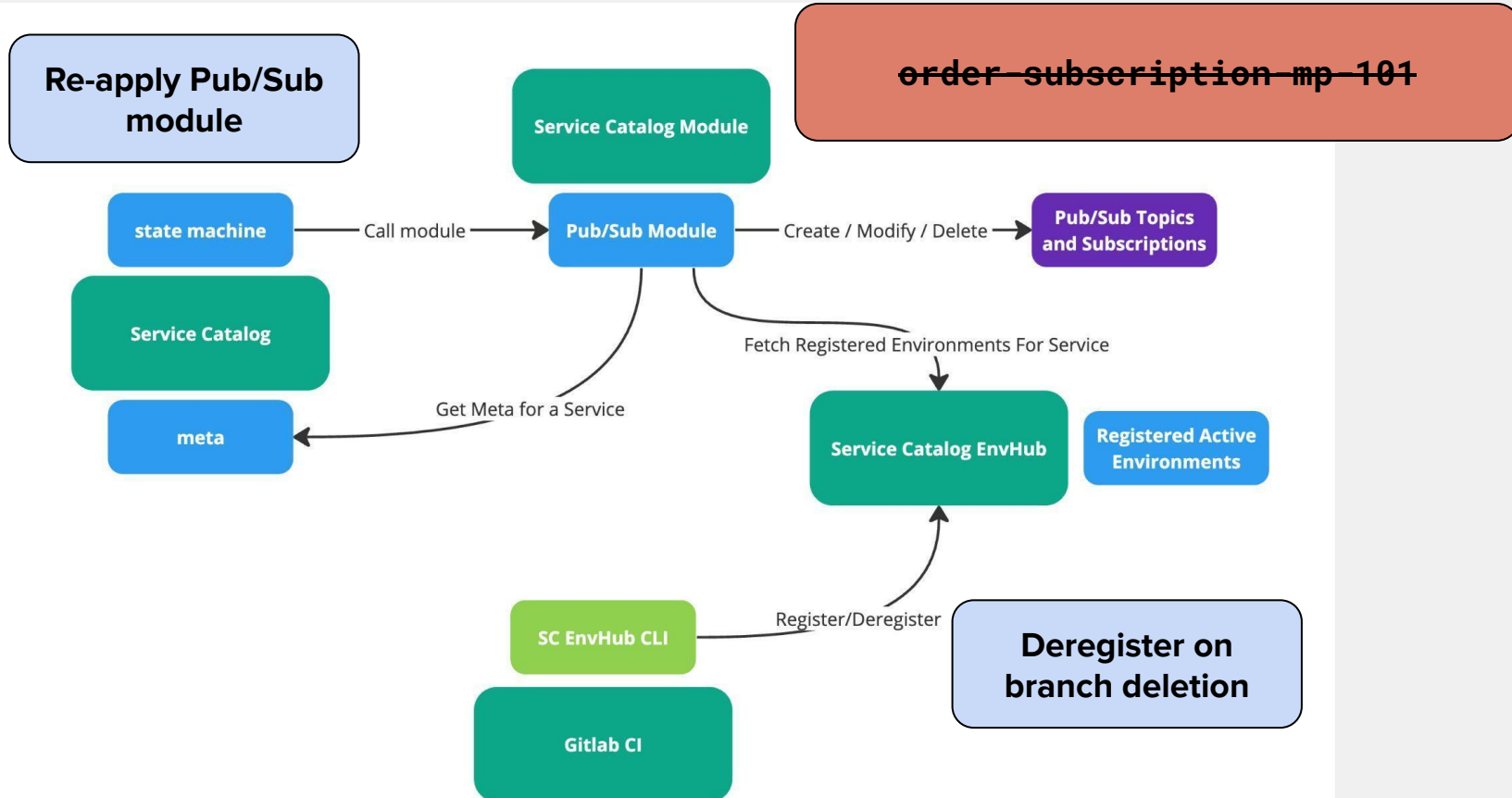
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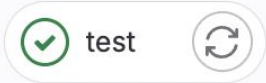


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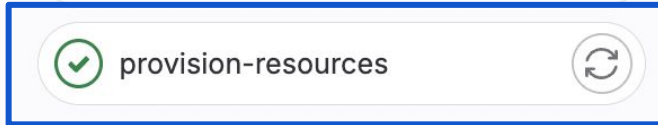
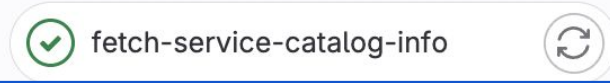
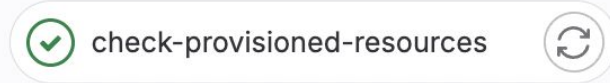
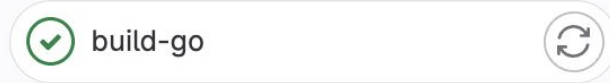


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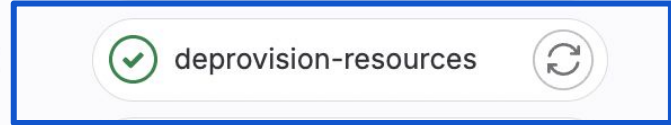
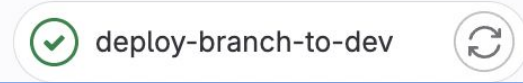
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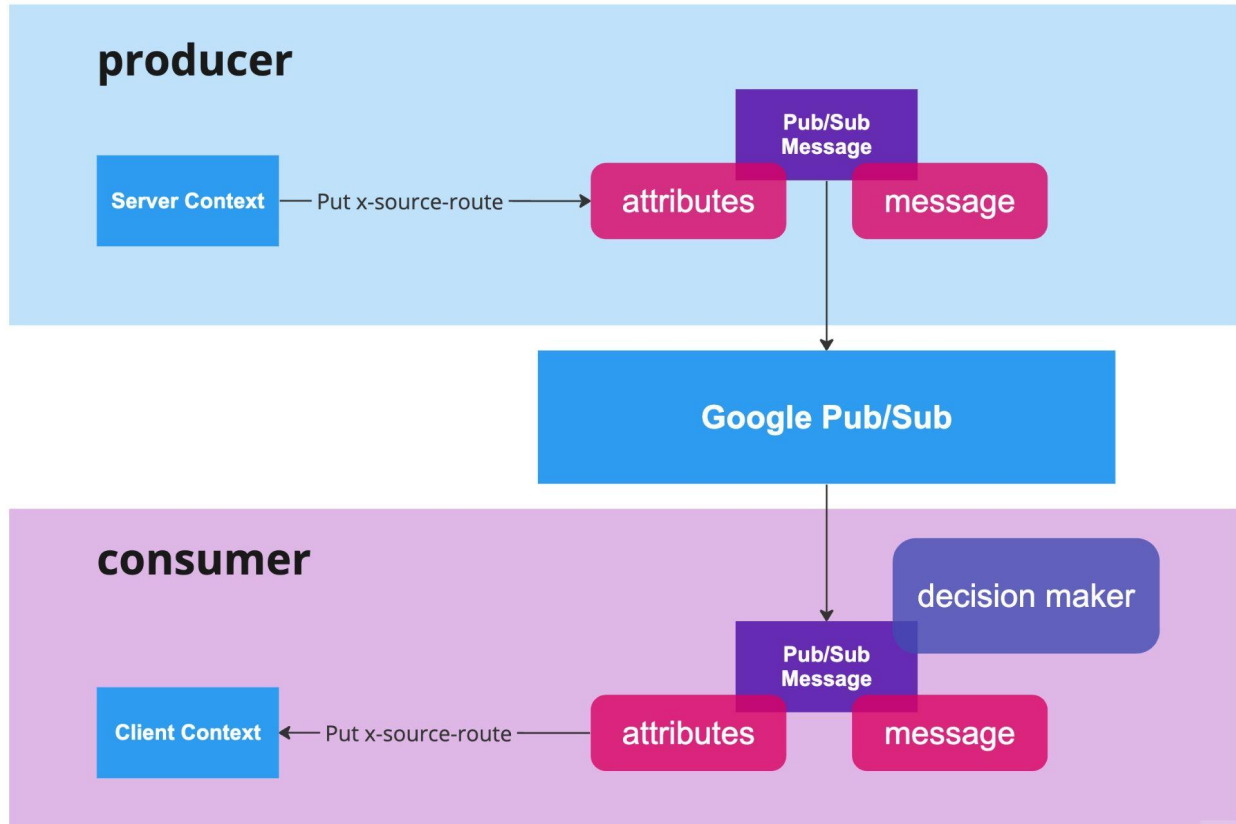
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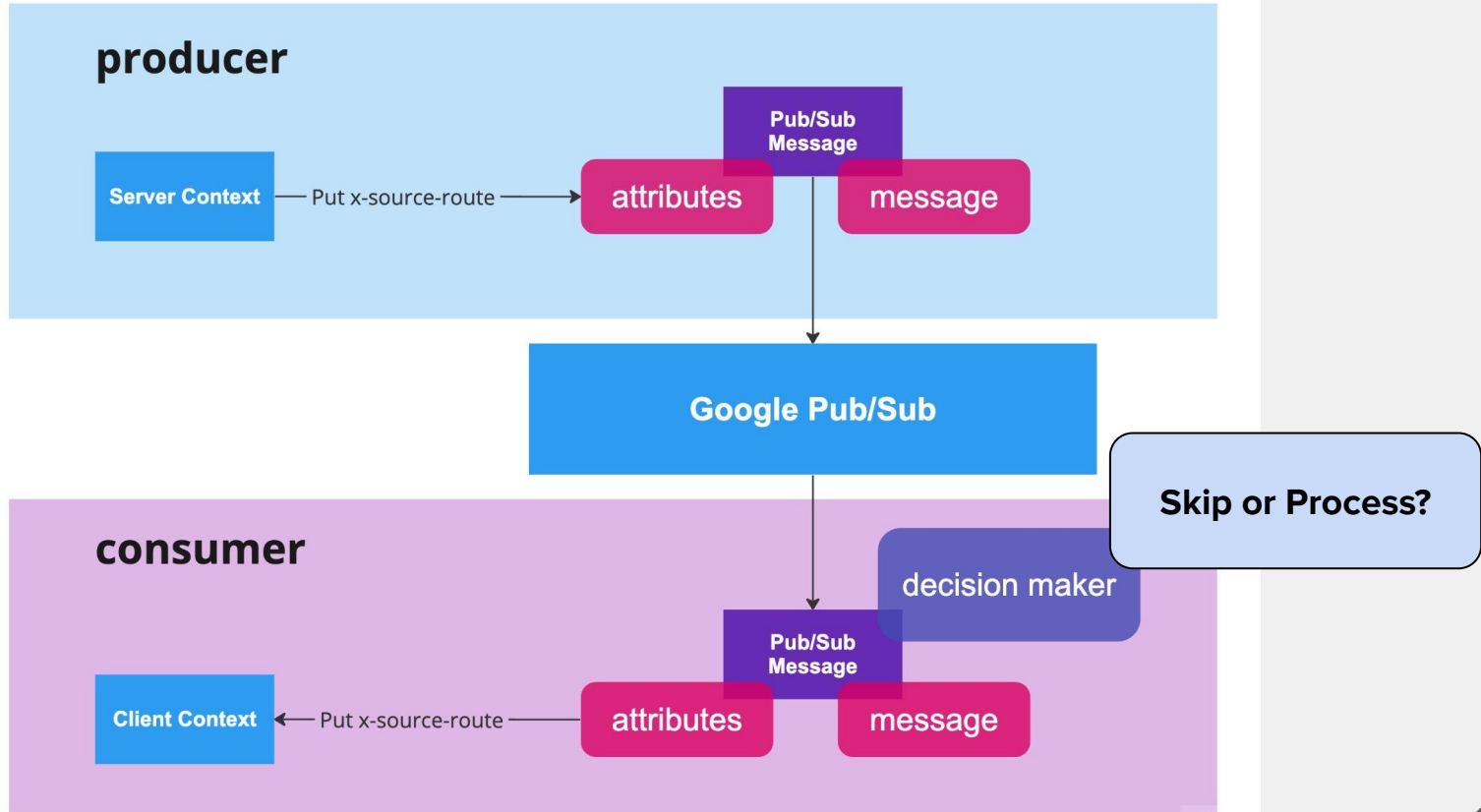
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- **Dynamic subscriptions for branches**
- **Common library**
 - **context propagation**
 - **message skip logic**

Common Library

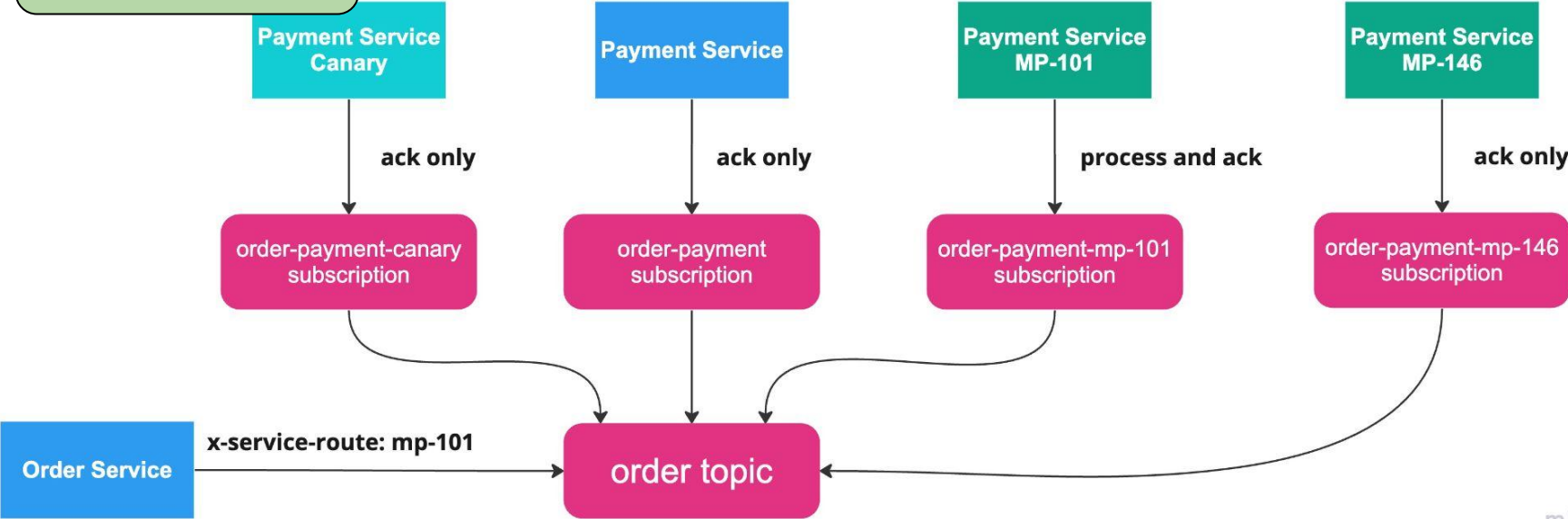


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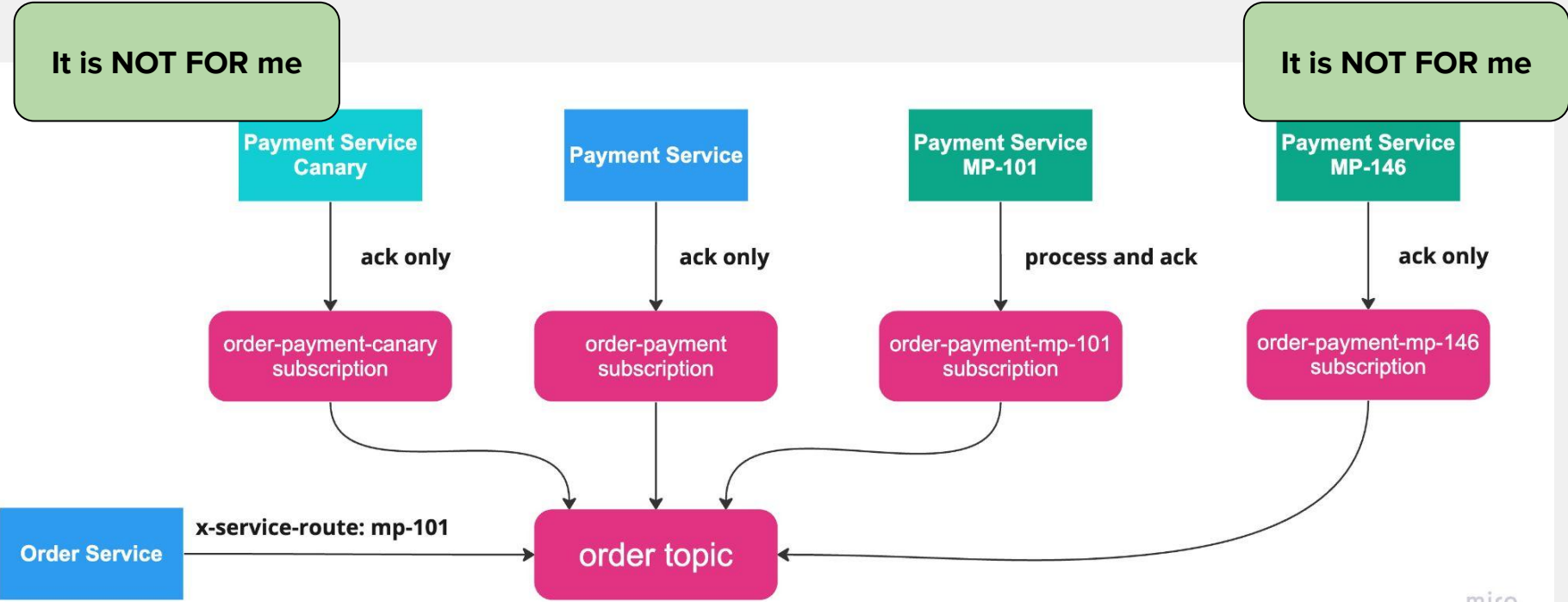


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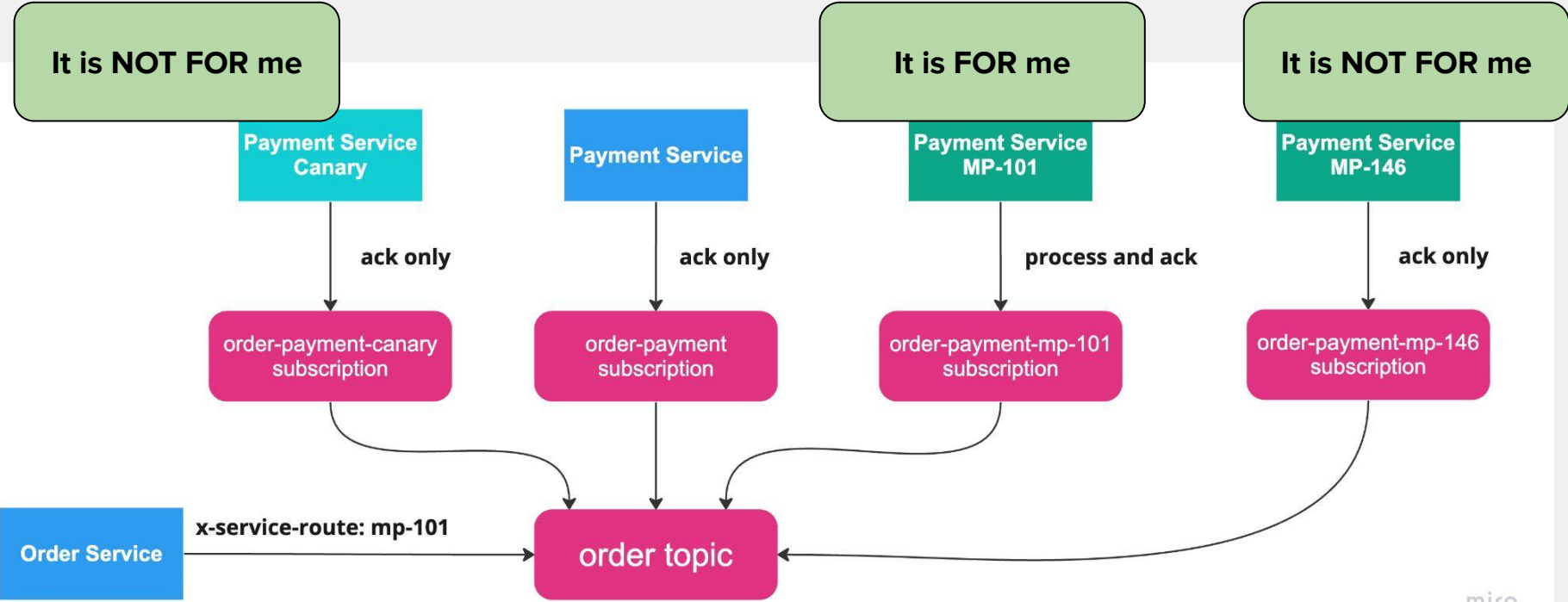
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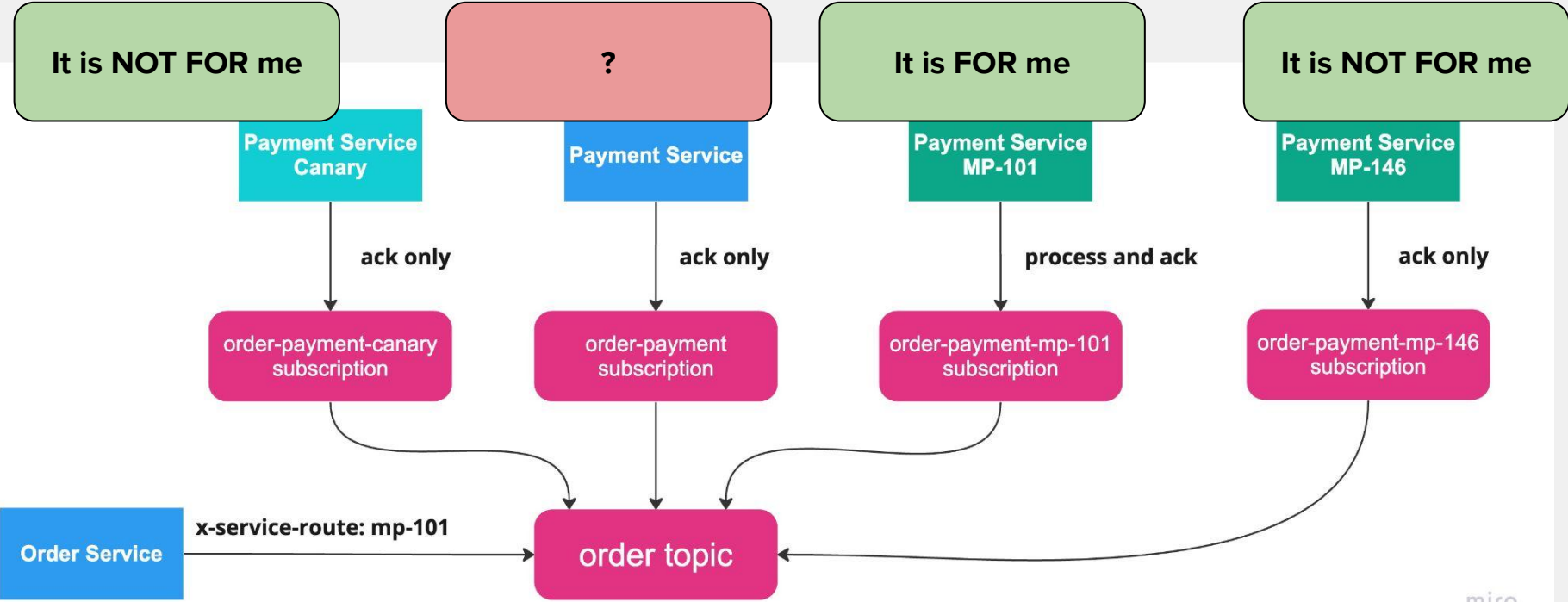
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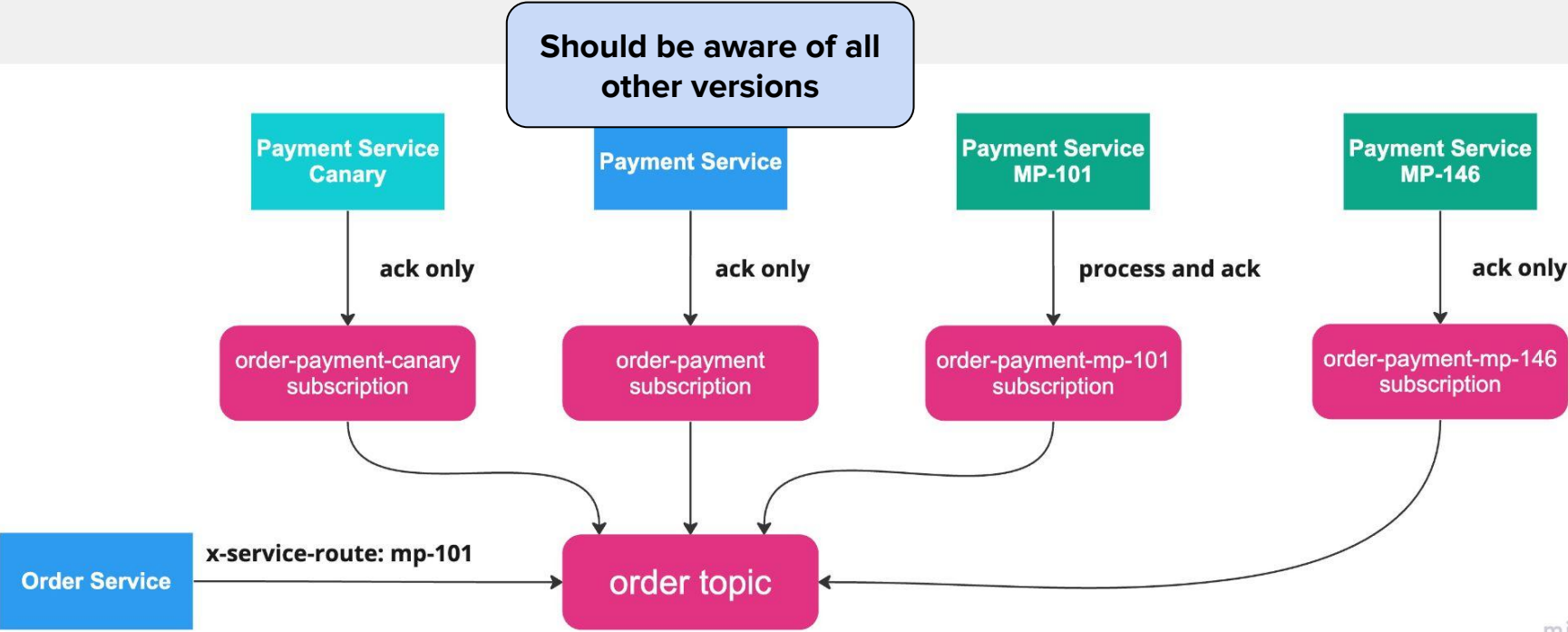
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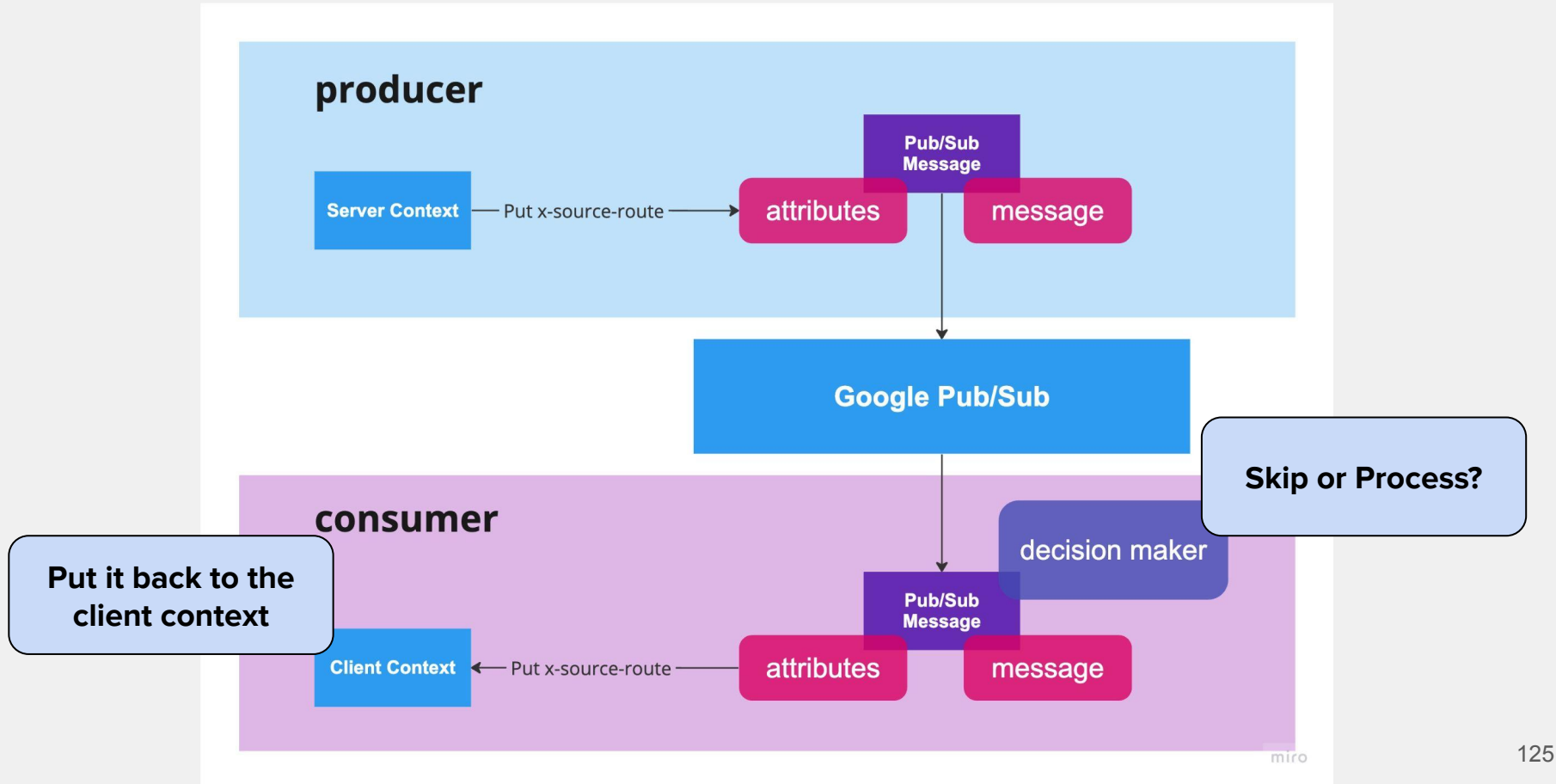
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Common Library



Complex Scenarios Supported

x-source-route: ops-101

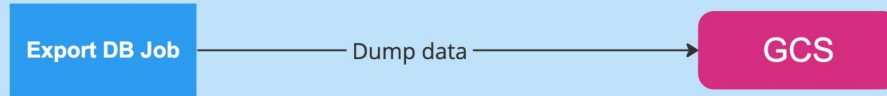


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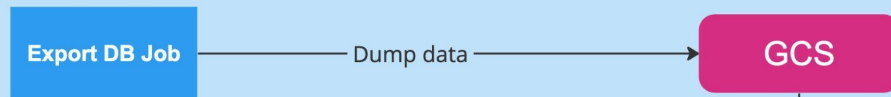
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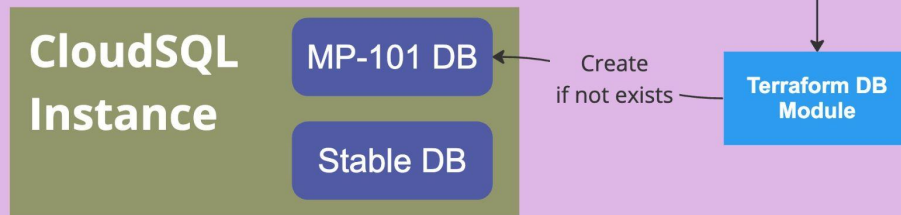
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Import data to DB

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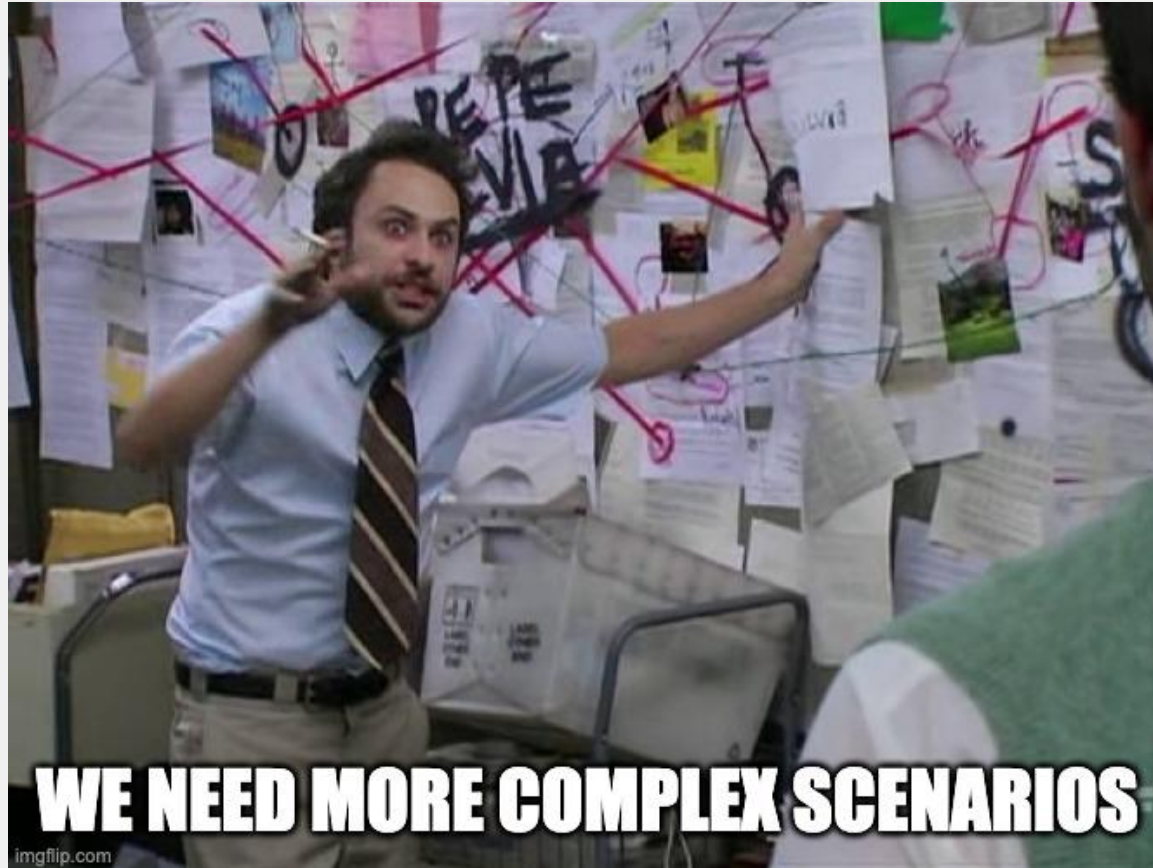


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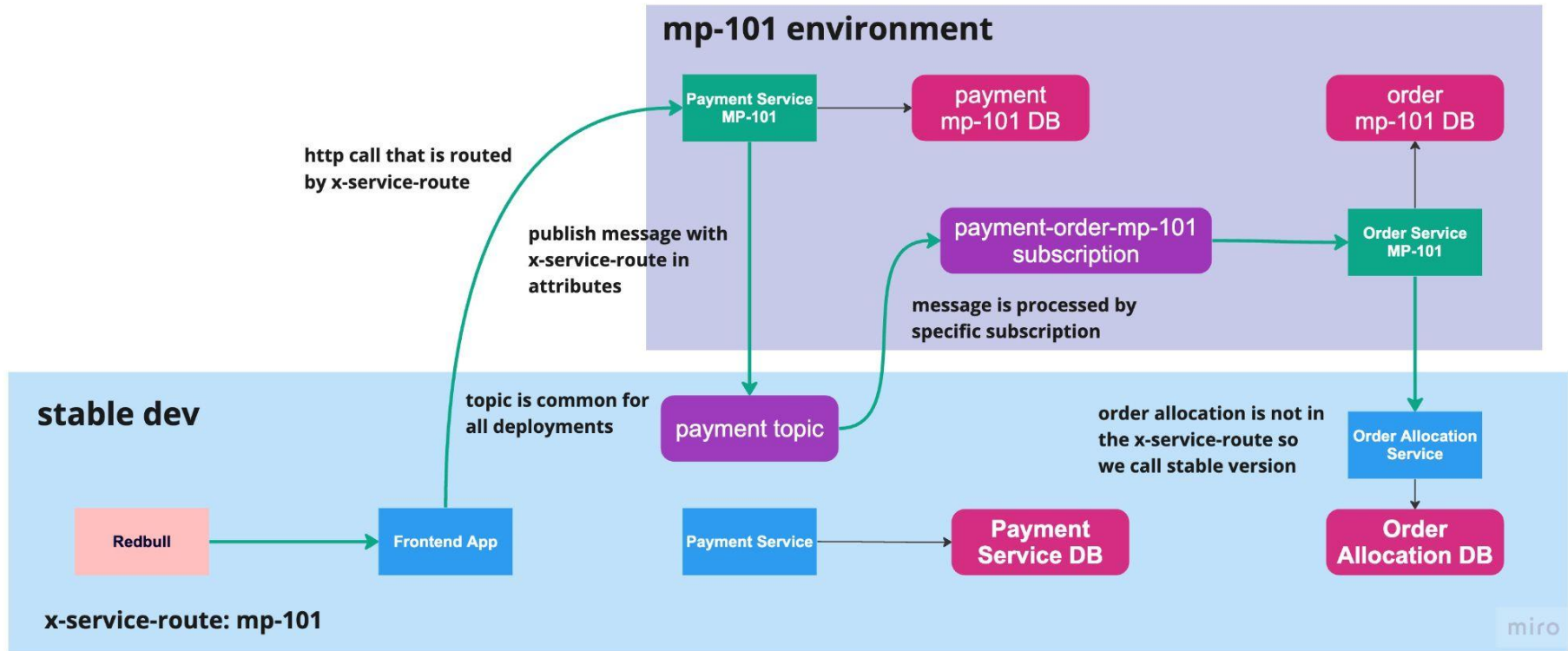
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Chapter 4: Ephemeral Environments

Welcome to Real Life



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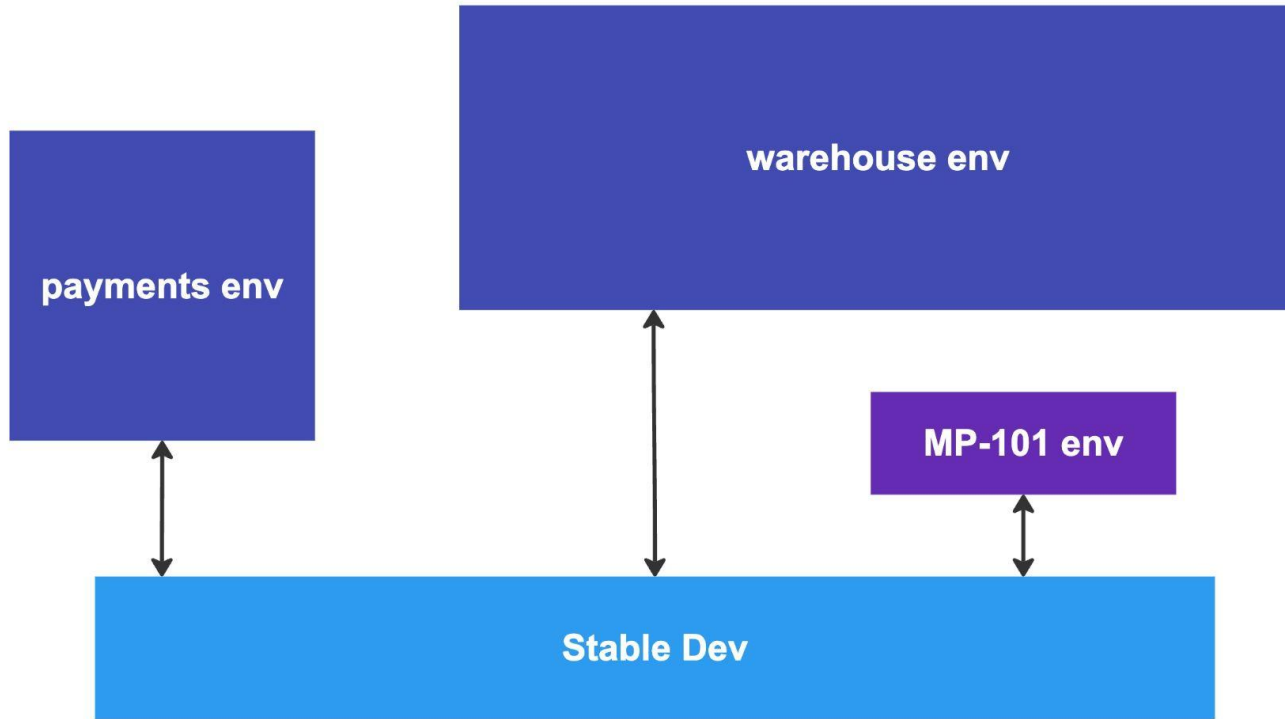
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- Custom environments
 - for squad (payment-dev)
 - for domain (warehouse)

Custom Ephemeral Environments



Epilogue: Some Conclusions

Benefits

- **No silo between Dev and QA**
- **Low resources consumption**
- **Environments on-demand**

Drawbacks

- **High cognitive load**
- **Time investments**
- **Not-fair isolation**

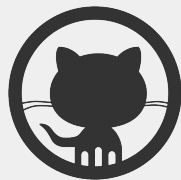
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