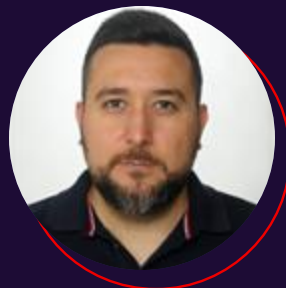


# From Concept to Scale – Design & Implementation Insights from OpenShift Virtualization Customers



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# Portworx and Red Hat Accelerate Modern Application Adoption Across Enterprises



## Cost Avoidance:

Lower TCO for enterprises vs. traditional application stack



## Operational Efficiency:

Streamlined app & data management workflows for VMs & Containers



## App & Data Flexibility:

Run VMs & Containers on-prem, on public cloud, or hybrid deployment

*“[Portworx and Red Hat OpenShift] hit all the marks—low cost of ownership, works on-prem, in the cloud, or at the edge. It's an integrated ecosystem, and from a storage point of view, it just fits.”*

*– Nate Mason,  
Director of Platform Ops, SiriusXM*

# Portworx: Your Storage & Data Strategy for Kubernetes

Automate, Protect and Unify Modern Applications and Data Anywhere

Modern Apps or DBs



### Automate

Self-service storage & DBs  
Automated capacity management  
Kubernetes-native data management

### Protect

Enterprise business continuity  
Container-granular backups  
Ransomware protection

### Unify

Cloud operating model for data  
Manage VMs and containers



### Virtualization

Unified application platform  
Standardized set of tools and processes  
Modernize at any pace

### Infrastructure

Scalable foundation  
Standardize on custom HW  
Minimize application downtime

### Modernization

Migration toolkit for virtualization  
Enhanced workload portability  
Simplified legacy app environment

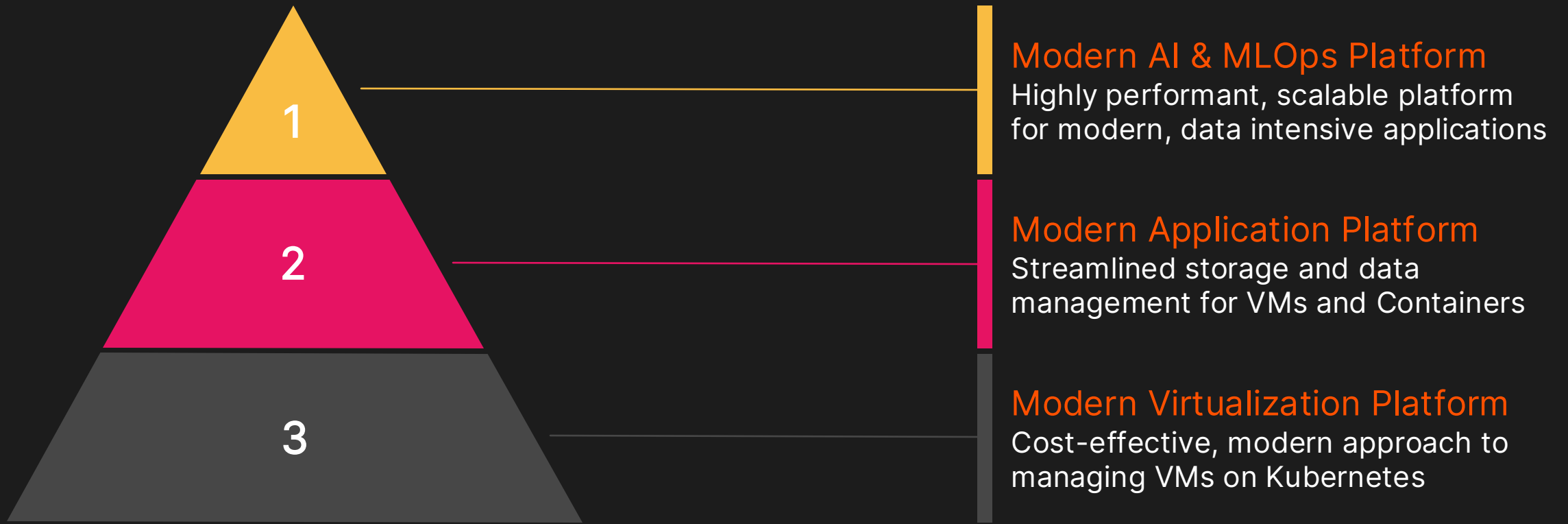
Infrastructure

Enterprise SAN

Hyperconverged

Public Cloud

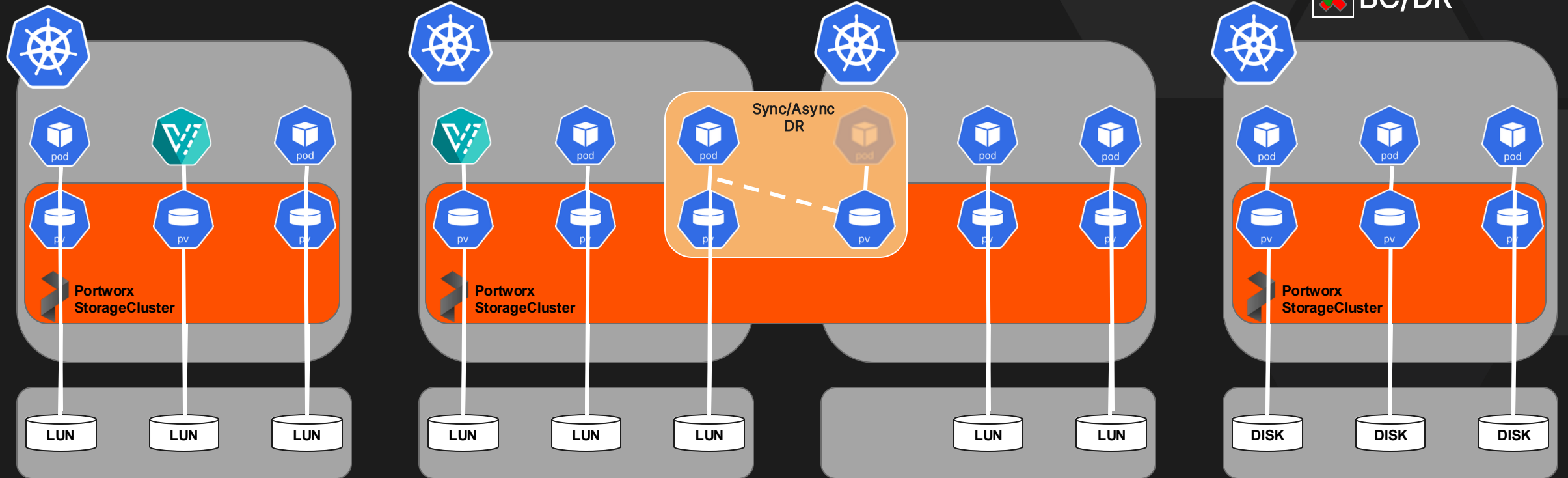
# Portworx & RH are delivering a joint vision for a single modern, application platform for all workloads



# Portworx Abstracts Storage

Feature Parity Across Backing Storage

- Encryption
- Snaps/Migratio
- BC/DR <sup>n</sup>



Site 1



Site 2



Site 3



Site 4

# Portworx provides the enterprise-grade services customers require for their VM environment



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## Performance

Highly performant, scalable storage for VMs with built-in high availability



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## Disaster Recovery

Flexible disaster recovery policies based on application criticality



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## Backup & Migration

Live migration and Kubernetes Aware backups for easy migration and recovery




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## Ecosystem

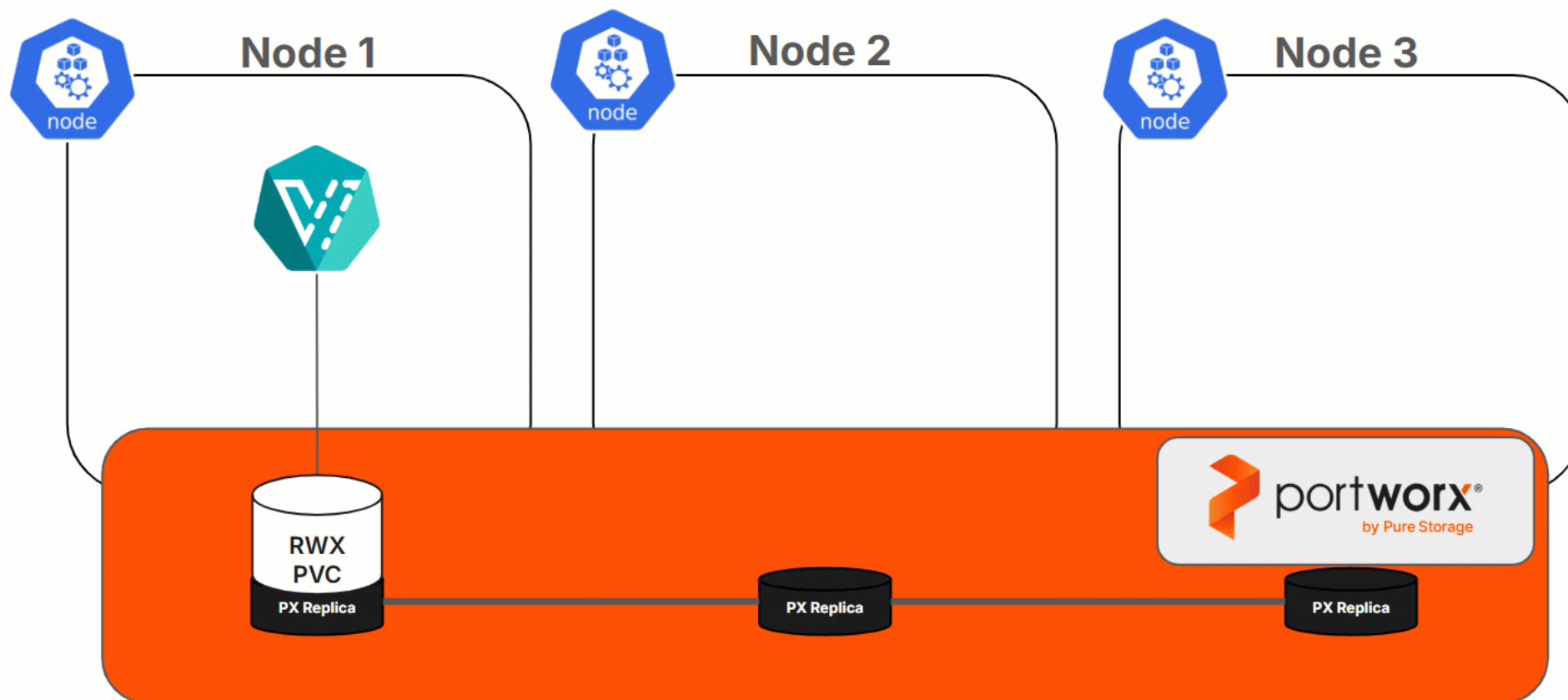
Deep ecosystem of partners, supporting KubeVirt across any on-prem or public cloud storage

# Portworx delivers key enterprise storage and data capabilities to run VMs on Kubernetes

<i>Benefit/Feature</i>	<i>VMware Capability</i>	<i>KubeVirt Virtualization Capability</i>	<i>KubeVirt +  Portworx Enterprise Capability</i>
Application Availability	vSphere HA	Deployments / Services	Deployments / Services
Application Deployment	VMware Templates	Pod Deployments	Pod Deployments
Application Resource Utilization	Resource Pools / Limits	Kube Scheduler, Requests / Limits	Kube Scheduler, Requests / Limits
Storage Infrastructure	VASA/VAAI/SPBM/vVols	Storage Classes, CSI Provisioner	Storage Classes, CSI Provisioner
Application Portability	vMotion	Delete/Redeploy with Load Balanced Apps	Live Migration
Data Availability	Shared Storage or vSAN FTT	X	Portworx Storage Cluster (Replication factor 1,2,3)
Storage Quality of Service	VMware Storage I/O Control	X	Portworx Application I/O control
Regional Disaster Recovery	VMware Site Recovery Manager	X	Portworx AsyncDR
Zero RPO Disaster Recovery	VMware Metro Storage Cluster	X	Portworx SyncDR
Encryption	Volume Encryption	X	Portworx Encryption, Authorization
Data Protection	VM-aware Backups (Partner)	Partner Solutions	Kubernetes Aware Portworx Backup
Data Portability	Storage vMotion	X	Portworx Backup / Portworx Migrate
Capacity Management	Thin Provisioning	X	Thin Provisioning / AutoPilot
Kubernetes Aware Storage Array Support	Any	Partner / Bolt-on Solutions	Any Block or Cloud Storage

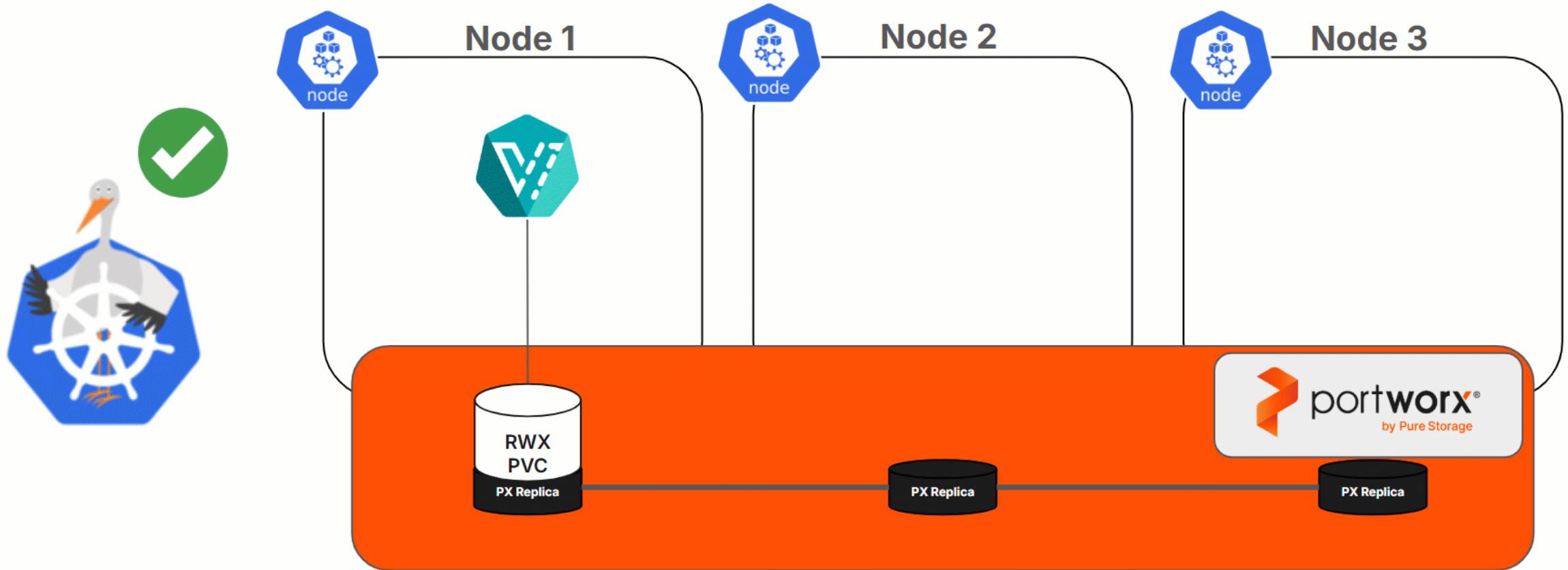


# Live Migration - vMotion Equivalency



- Move running VMs between Kubernetes nodes
- ReadWriteMany (RWX) volume mode required
- Memory footprint and VM state transferred to new VM pod on destination node

# Node Failure Restart - vSphere HA Restart Equivalency



- Portworx' STORK (Storage Orchestrator Runtime for Kubernetes) decreases VM restart time
- STORK makes the Kubernetes scheduler "storage-aware" for faster rescheduling
- Restart/reattach in 60-120s instead of minutes with other solutions

# Key Learnings from Customer Engagements



## General

- There will be issues. Set expectations
- Have a complete project plan.
- “Everyone Fights, No one Quits!”
- Can we support an edge deployment?



## Manufacturing

- Leave room for revisiting previous sites
- Do we have our vendors connected?
- How easy is it to manage 50+ sites?



## Media

- Build (2) environments; (1) for test & (1) for control.
- Are our current run-books / SOPs up-to-date?
- How do we handle plan deviations?



## Healthcare

- Is CSI good enough?
- Do we need to change back-up vendors?
- How do we handle vendor provided VMs?



# Driving App Modernization with a single platform for VMs and containers across 100s of manufacturing plants

US-based, multinational automotive manufacturing company

## Challenge:

Moving away from VMware using Red Hat OpenShift and couldn't afford downtime across their 100+ manufacturing plants

## Solution:

PX provided a single platform for container and VMs, supporting a hybrid architecture with operational simplicity and data protection at scale.

## Benefits:

- Single platform for VMs and containers
- HA via FlashArray ActiveCluster
- Secure and recoverable data via PX-Backup



# Lessons Learned & Key Takeaways

## Top 10 Things You Can Do Today

- Don't Wait!
- Pick Your Advisors
- Review Your Risk Exposure
- Build a Lab
- Document Your Environment
- Start Training
- Plan for Automation
- Identify your Quick Response Team
- Review Existing Policies & Procedures
- Set (Reasonable) Expectations

# Attend our Monthly Hands on Lab

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