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How Global Payments scales on AWS with governance and controls

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Agenda

Challenges around governance and controls in regulated industries

Global Payments cloud journey, cloud platform vision, and goals

Implementing governance with AWS Service Catalog and AWS Organizations

Results/outcomes and future plans

Takeaways and Q&A

Challenges in regulatory industries



**Constantly evolving
regulatory
requirements**



**Requirements that
vary significantly
across regions**



**Highly dynamic
security threat
landscape**



**Stringent reporting and
documentation requirements**



**Limited cloud security
and compliance specialists**

The challenge ... balancing the needs

Builders
Stay agile



Innovate with the speed
and agility of AWS

Cloud IT
Establish governance



Govern at scale with
central controls

Enabling cloud-ready environment at scale using AWS Cloud Operations

1) Set up



Establish a secure foundation for governance and compliance

Multi-account strategy

2) Build and migrate



Migrate applications to the cloud or build new applications

AWS Service Catalog

3) Operate



Monitor application performance; detect and remediate noncompliance or operational risks quickly

AWS Organizations



About Global Payments/TSYS

LARGEST PURE PLAY PAYMENTS COMPANY IN THE WORLD

Leading issuer processor

US, Canada, UK, Ireland, China

#2 issuer processor

Western Europe

170+ countries

1,500 institutions

696M+ accounts

~59B transactions

Annually

15,000+ TPS

Real-time event processing

1M+ throughput

High-volume batch workloads

100+ industries

Banks, fintech, retail, restaurants

140+ integrations

Major payment networks and channels globally



Current landscape and cloud journey

Worldwide presence

US

EU

South America

Asia Pacific

Complex structure

6 AWS organizations

116 accounts

Multiple account structure implementations

Modernization approach

Cloud-native microservice architecture

Lift and shift

Standardize on Terraform as IaC

Challenges and opportunities

Adhering to compliance and regulatory requirements

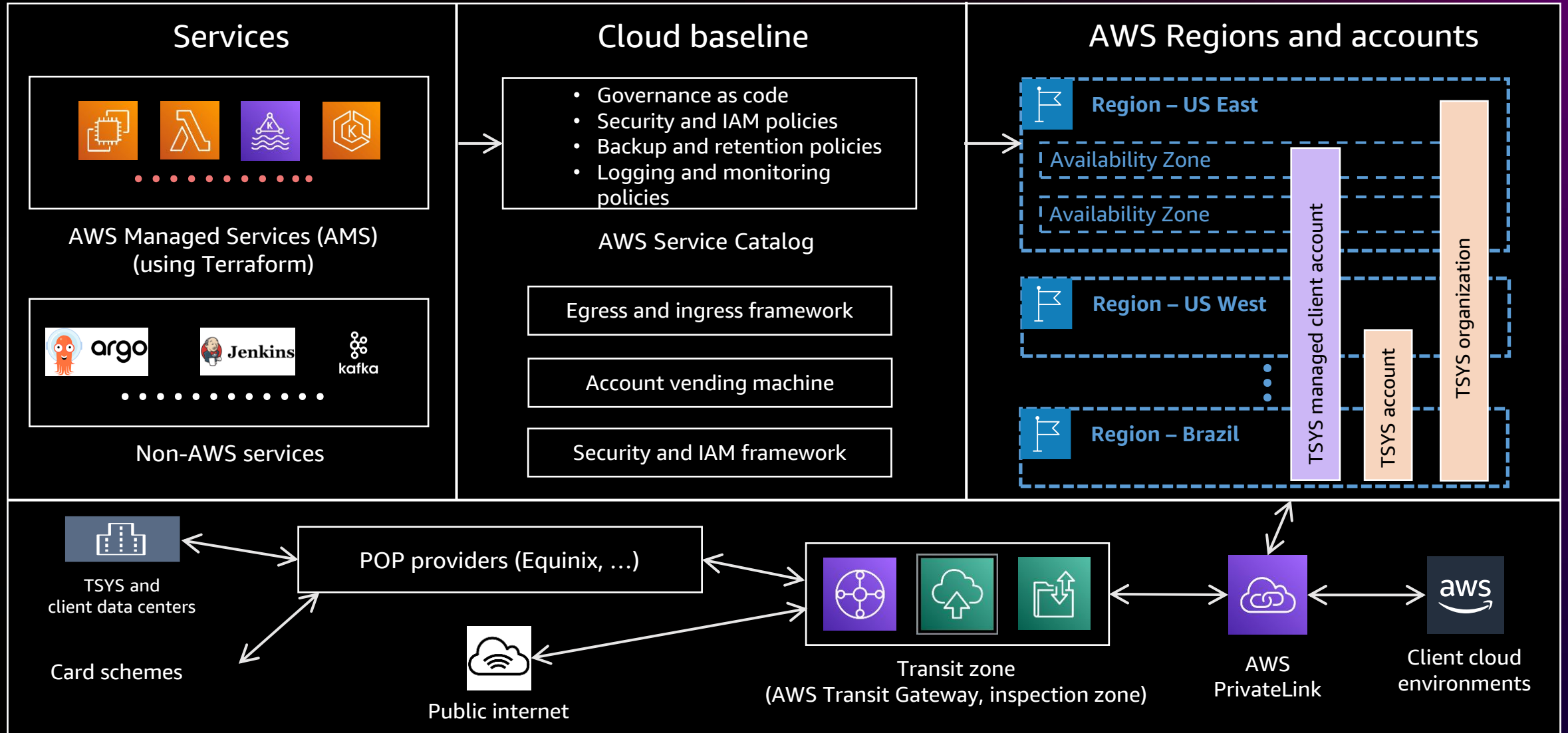
Deploying services globally every day at a large scale (5,000+ engineers)

Implementing standardized deployment approach

Providing shift-left approach

Allow only approved products and services

Cloud platform vision



Why multiple accounts strategy



Create isolation and limit scope of impact from adverse events



Avoid resource crunch and distribute Service Quotas and API request rate limits



Better financial reporting and management



Group workloads based on business purpose and apply policies and guardrails collectively

Organizations enabled central governance and management across AWS accounts



Centrally provision accounts



Secure and audit your environment for compliance



Share resources and control access to accounts, regions, and services



Optimize costs and identify cost-saving measures

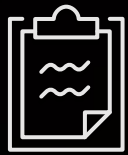
A comprehensive multi-account AWS environment

Why GPN used AWS Service Catalog

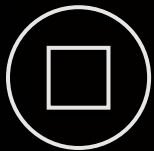
1. Provides the base framework



Provision with governed access



Share products



Scale

2. Choice and ease of use



API, CLI, UI



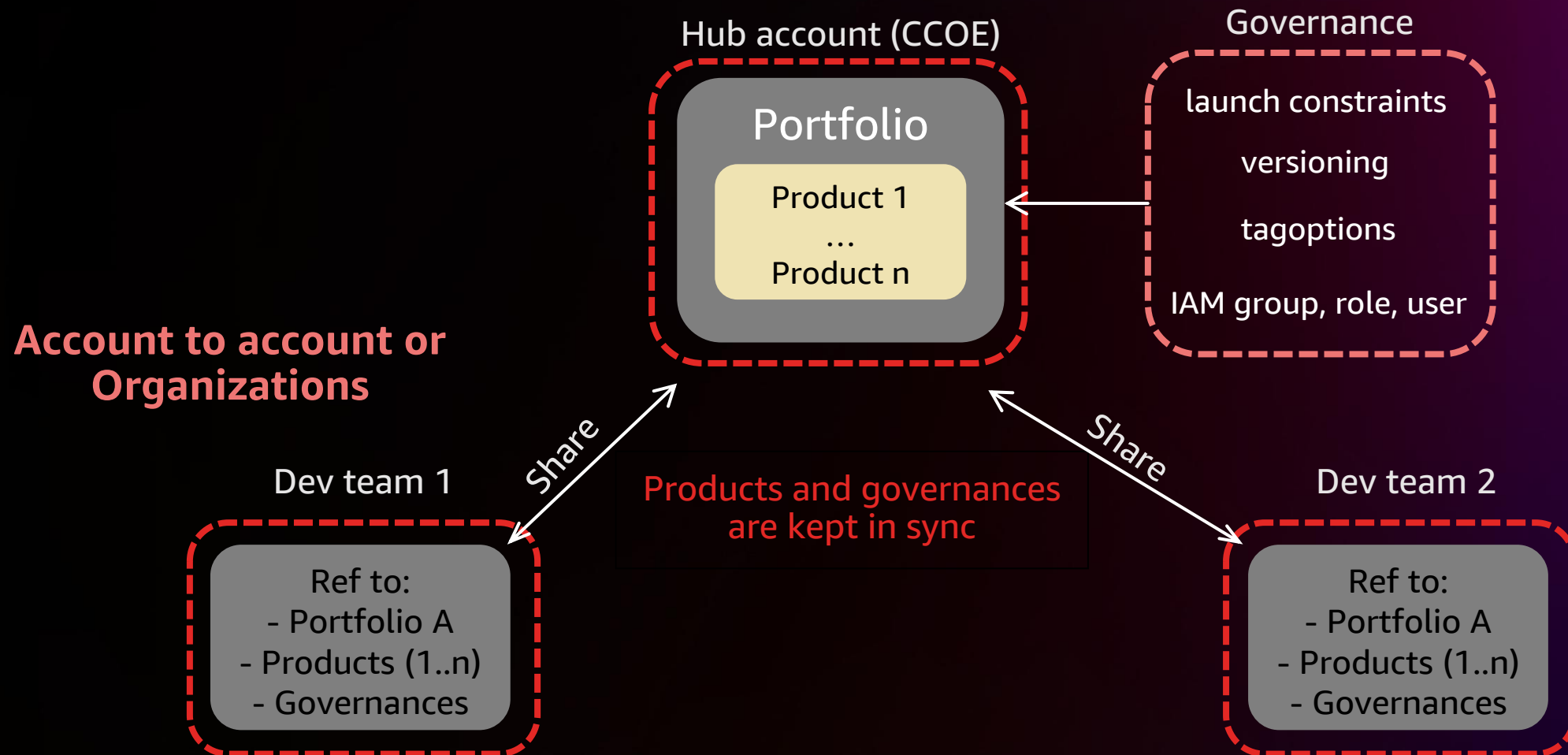
Ability to customize

3. Speed to delivery

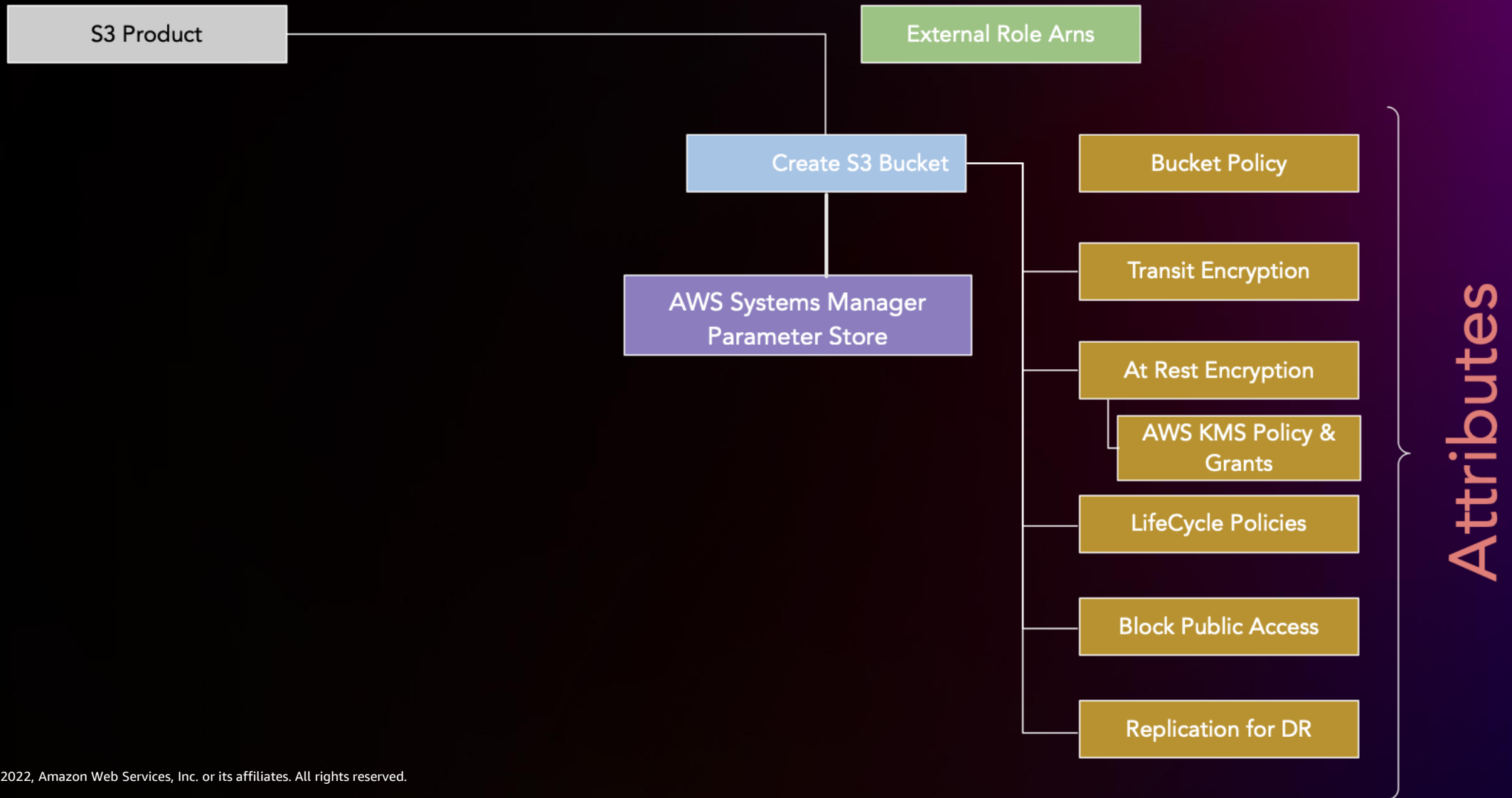


Teams self-serve

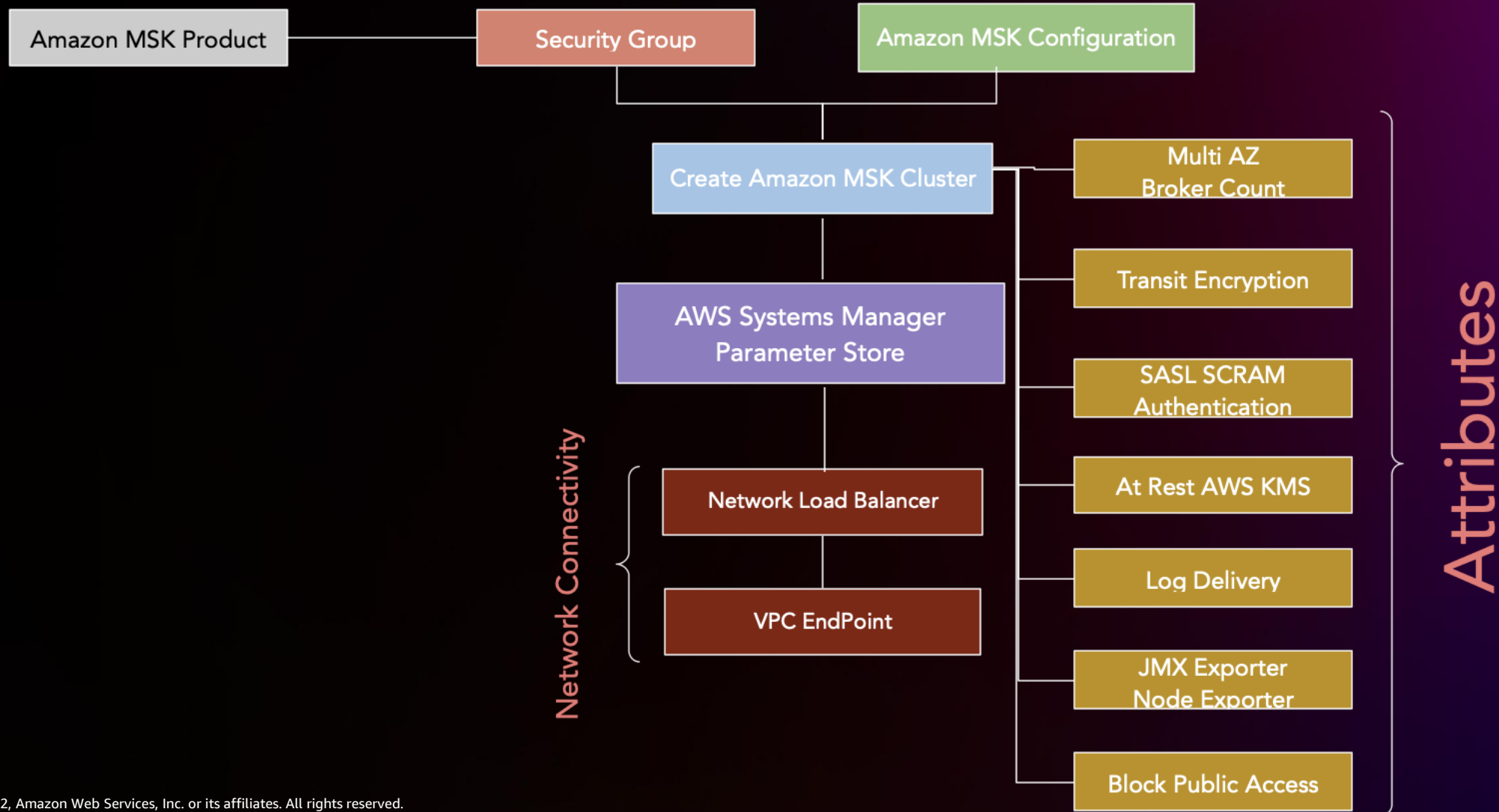
Scaling through sharing a curated catalog across Organizations



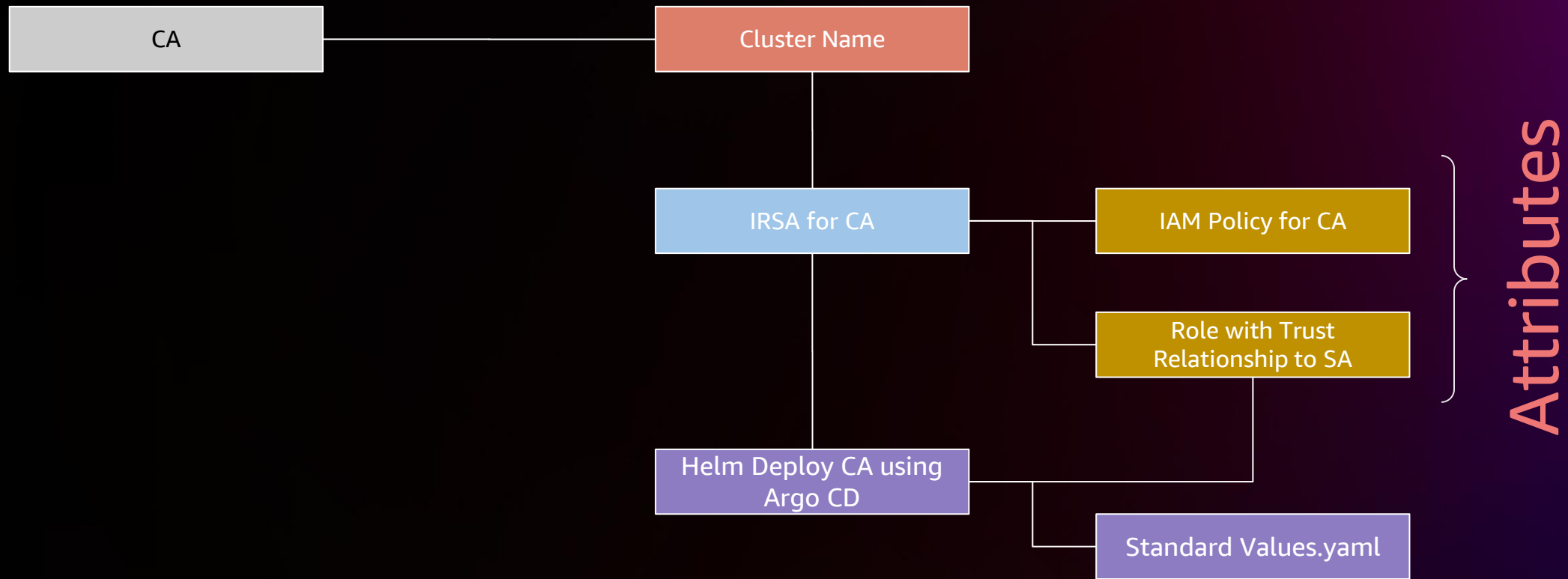
Product development strategy: Amazon S3



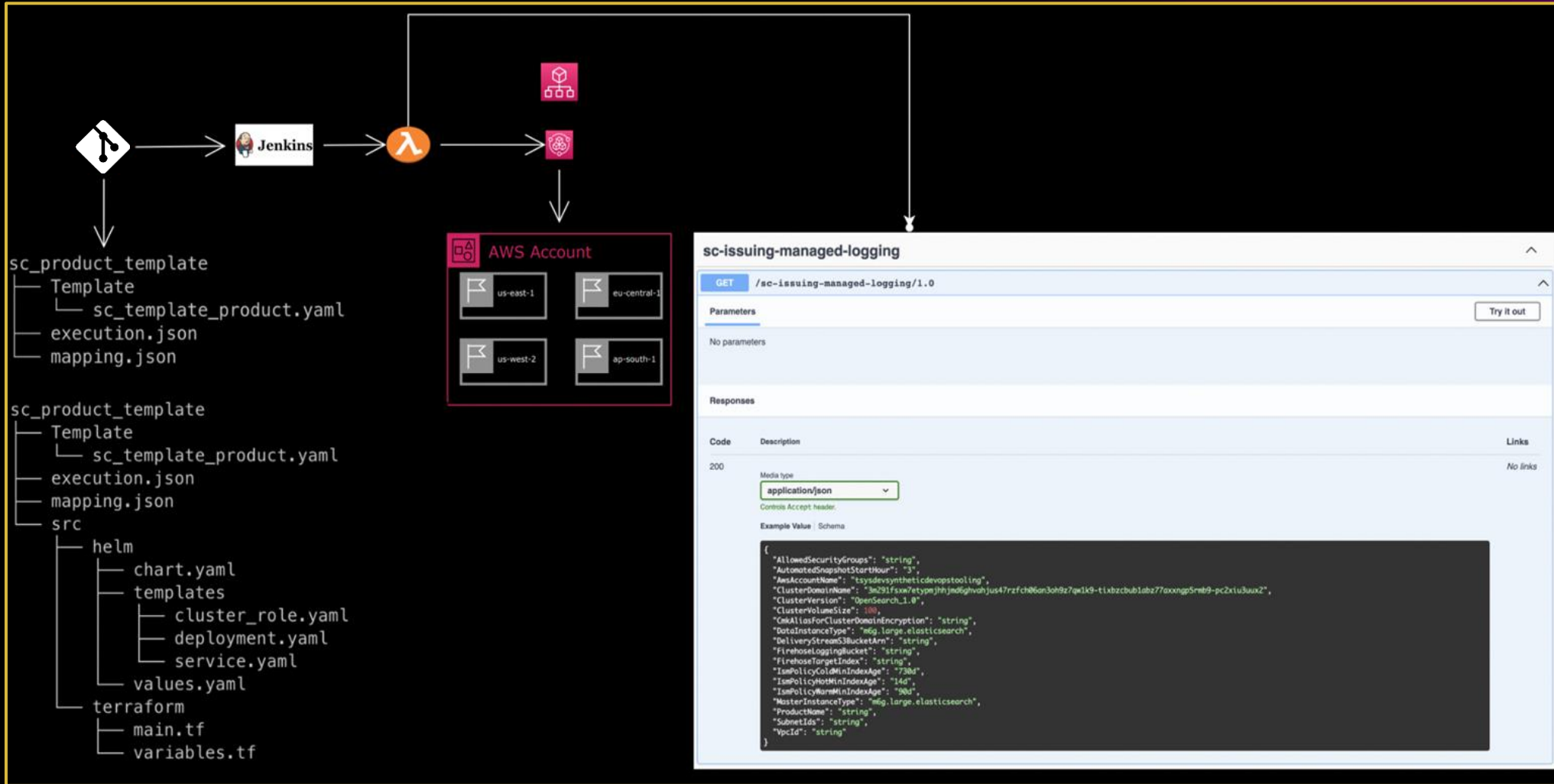
Product development strategy: Amazon MSK (Amazon Managed Streaming for Apache Kafka)



Product development strategy: Amazon EKS (Cluster Autoscaler)



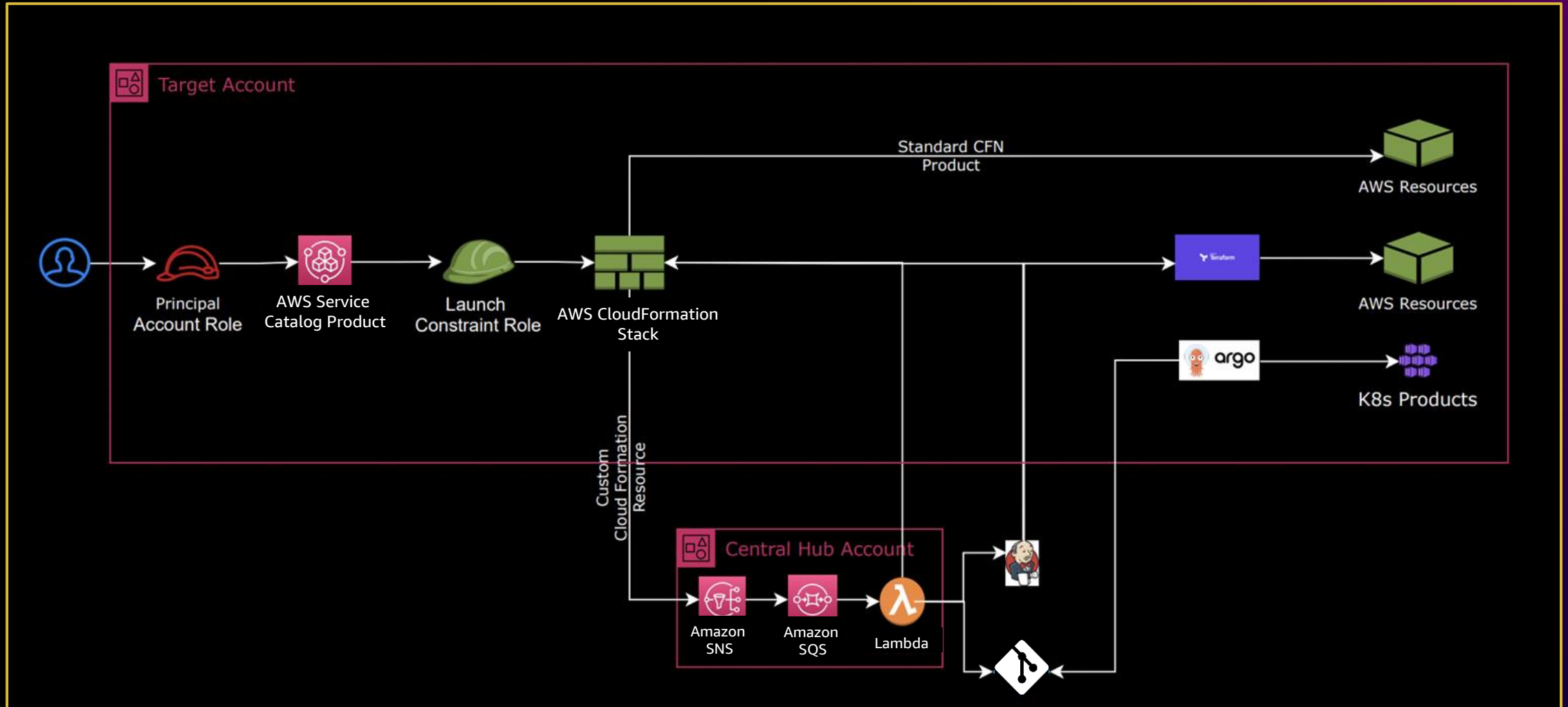
AWS Service Catalog sync process



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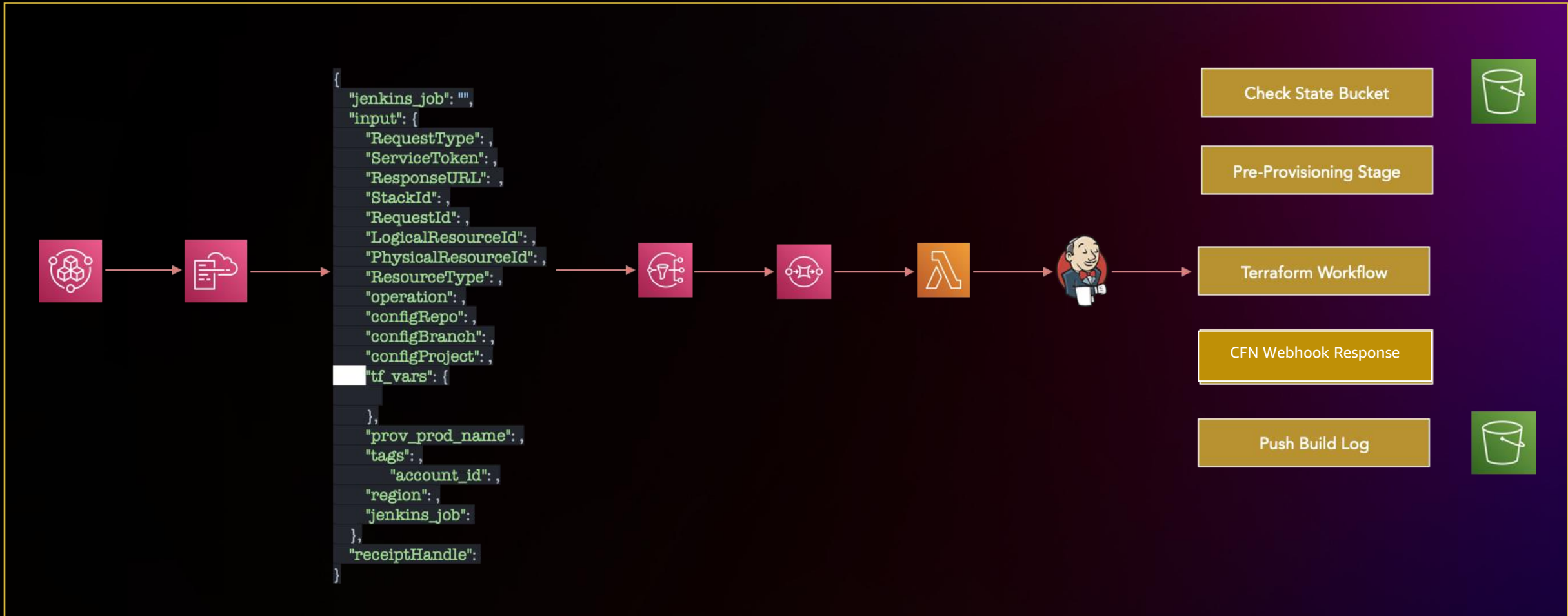
AWS Service Catalog deployment framework



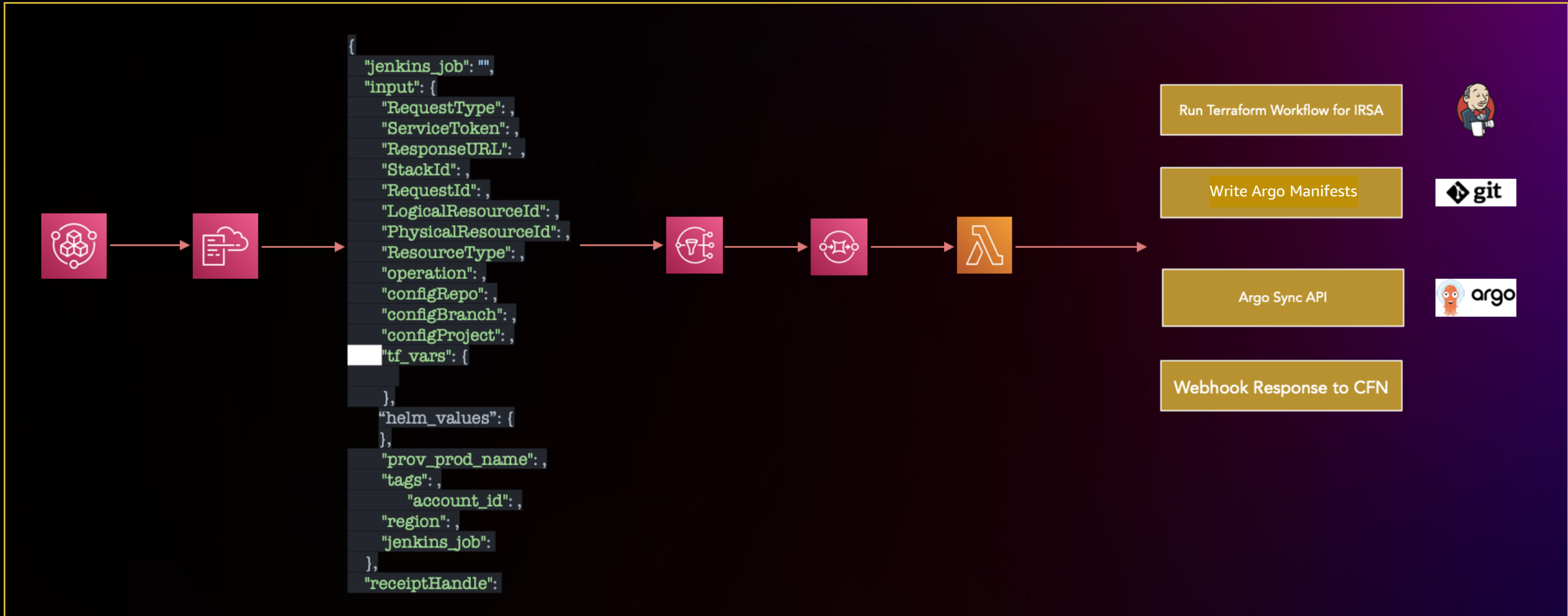
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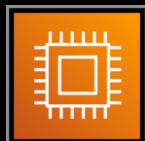
Terraform integration



Kubernetes integration



60+ AWS Service Catalog products as building blocks



Compute

Amazon EKS
Lambda
ASG-based Amazon EC2



Networking

Network Load Balancer,
Application Load Balancer,
Classic Load Balancer
HAProxy
Amazon API Gateway
Istio Service Mesh



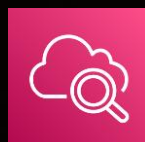
Storage

Amazon EBS
Amazon EFS/NFS
Amazon S3



Databases

Amazon RDS for Oracle, Amazon RDS for MySQL, Amazon RDS for PostgreSQL
Amazon DocumentDB
Amazon MemoryDB for Redis
Amazon DynamoDB
Amazon ElastiCache
Amazon MSK



Monitoring

Prometheus, Thanos
Amazon OpenSearch Service, Amazon CloudWatch Logs Insights, FluentD
Amazon CloudWatch, Grafana
Alert Manager
Amazon SES, Amazon SNS



Kubernetes products

NGINX
Cluster Autoscaler
CoreDNS
Sidecar injector
KEDA
Kubernetes Dashboard
Logging Operator
Prometheus Operator

Building applications infrastructure

Governance features like resiliency and monitoring baked into the products as configuration

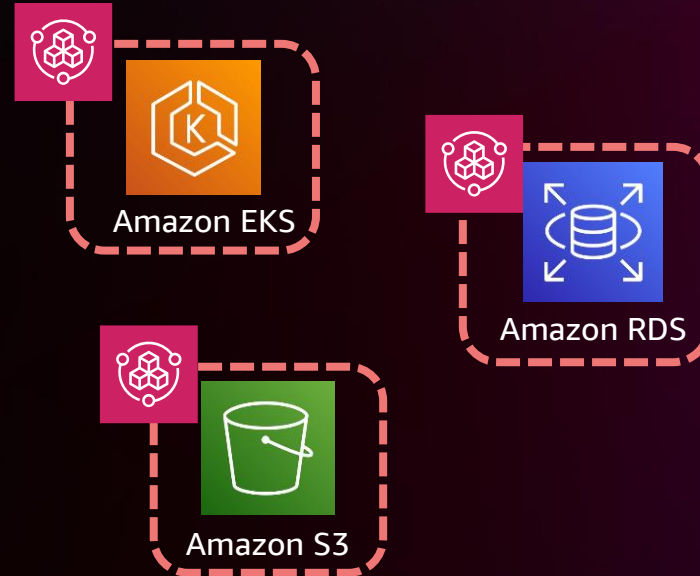
Implement products as building blocks for underlying infrastructure

Product-based approach allows to implement for multiple architectures

- Active-Active
- Active-Standby

1

Select governed products from the catalog



2

Build and provision the underlying infrastructure using those products



Achievements/results

Increased governance through centrally managed products/resources

Ability to scale across globe with standardized infrastructure

Increased pace of innovation using products with in-built governance

Flexibility in implementing different architecture

Improved productivity with shortened operations timelines

Vulnerability management
Upgrade strategy
Product feature availability
Release maintenance

Takeaways



Have a cloud vision/strategy/plan based on your cloud operating model



Identify products/services and leverage native functionality
Customize as per your need



Standardize the process
Start small and expand



Create governed building blocks to provide more flexibility

Why AWS Cloud Operations?



Return on investment (ROI)

241% ROI over 3 years*



Staff productivity

62% more efficient IT infrastructure staff



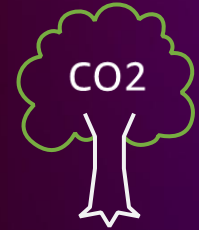
Operational resilience

57% decrease in downtime



Business agility

37% decrease in time to market



Carbon savings

88% reduction in carbon footprint of IT operations



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