



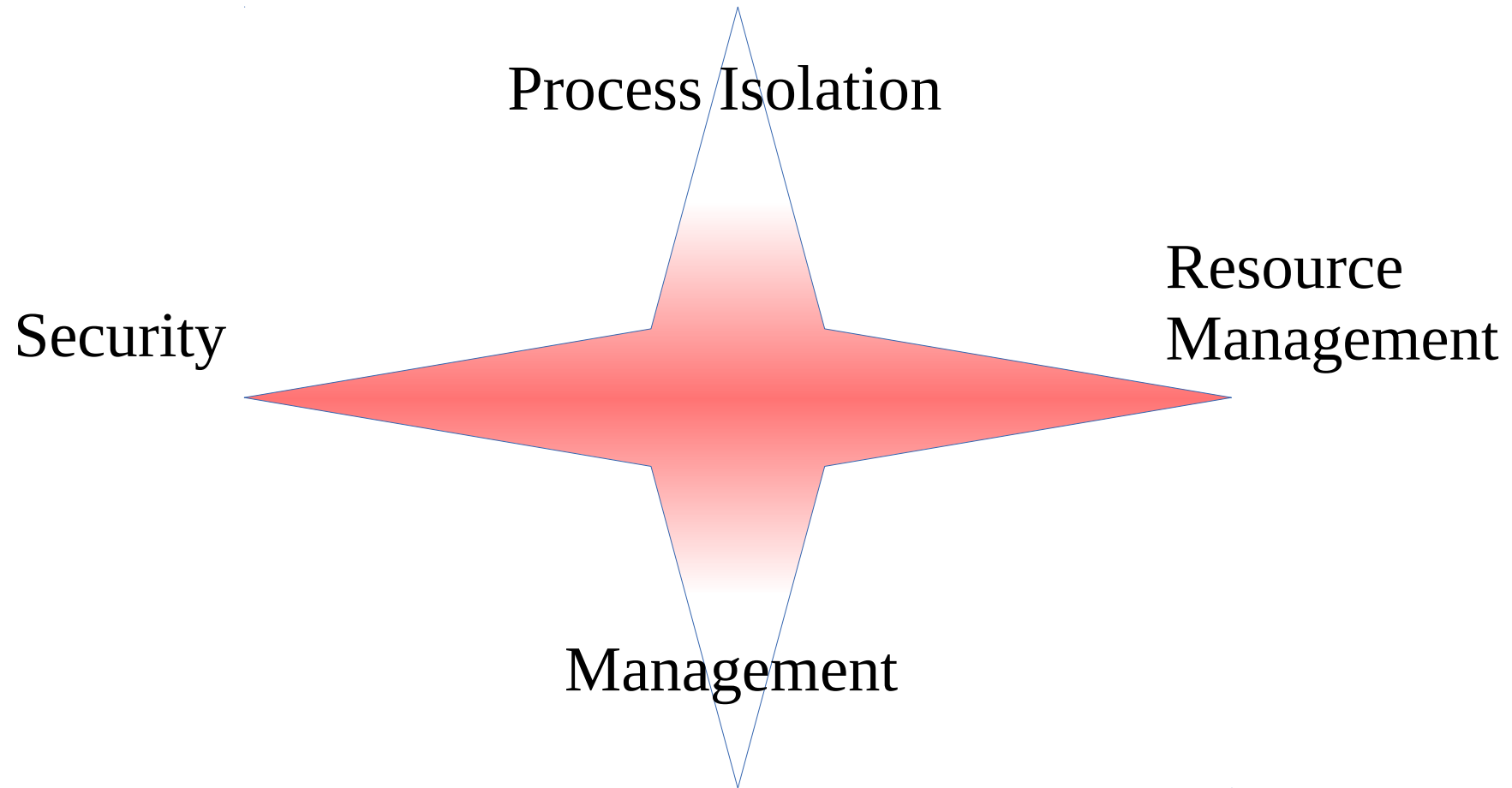
Linux Containers Overview & Roadmap

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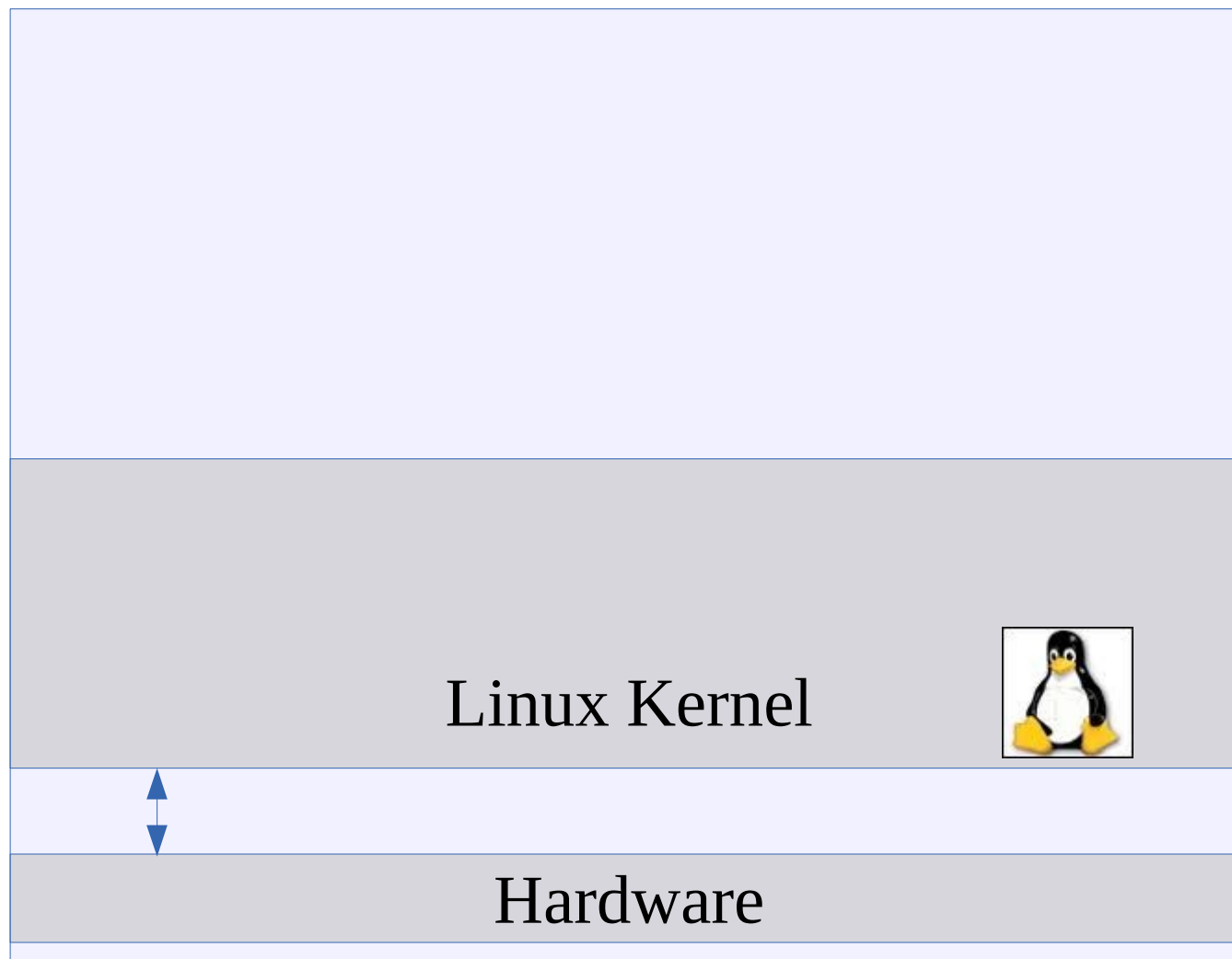
Key elements of Linux Containers



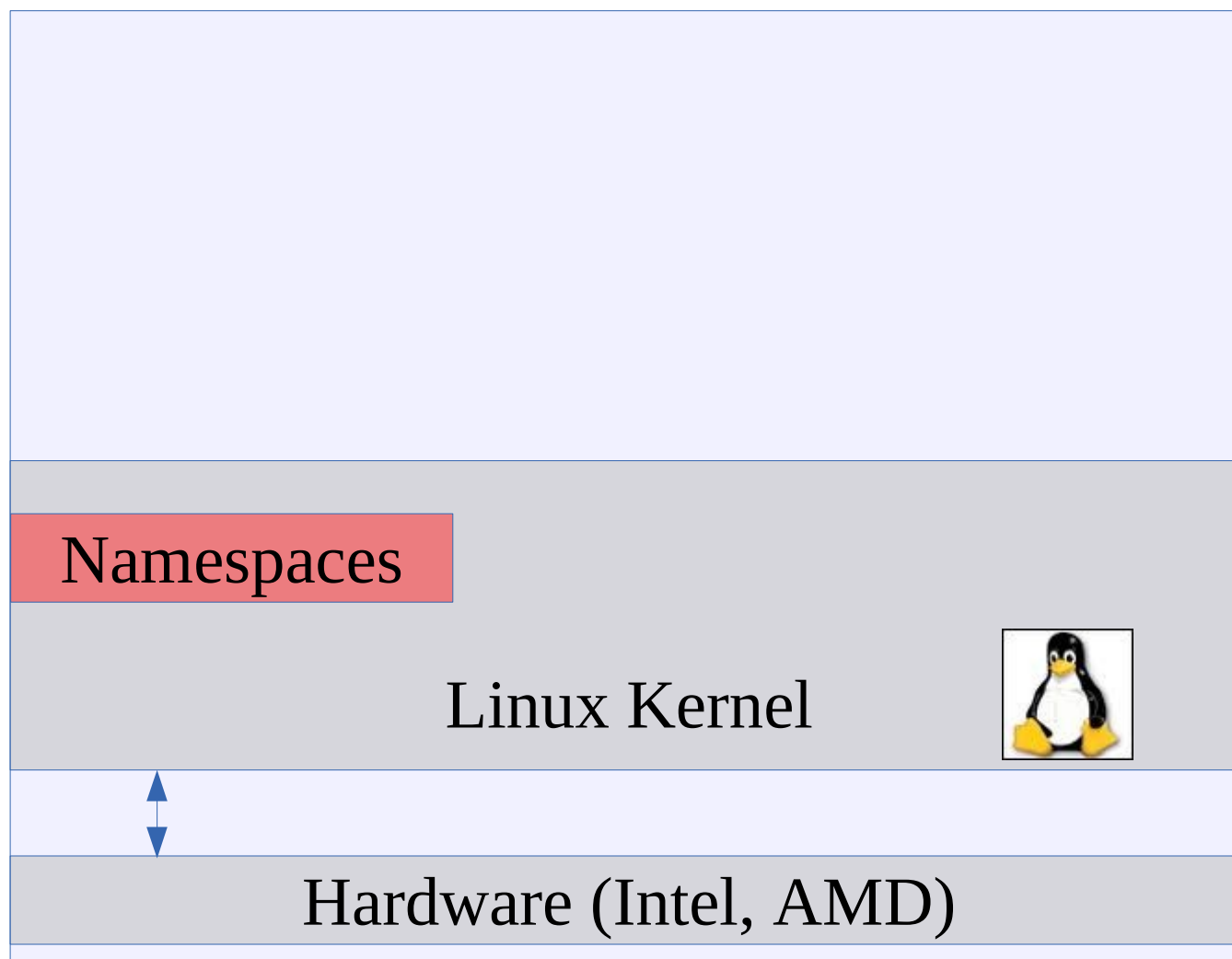


Linux Container Architecture

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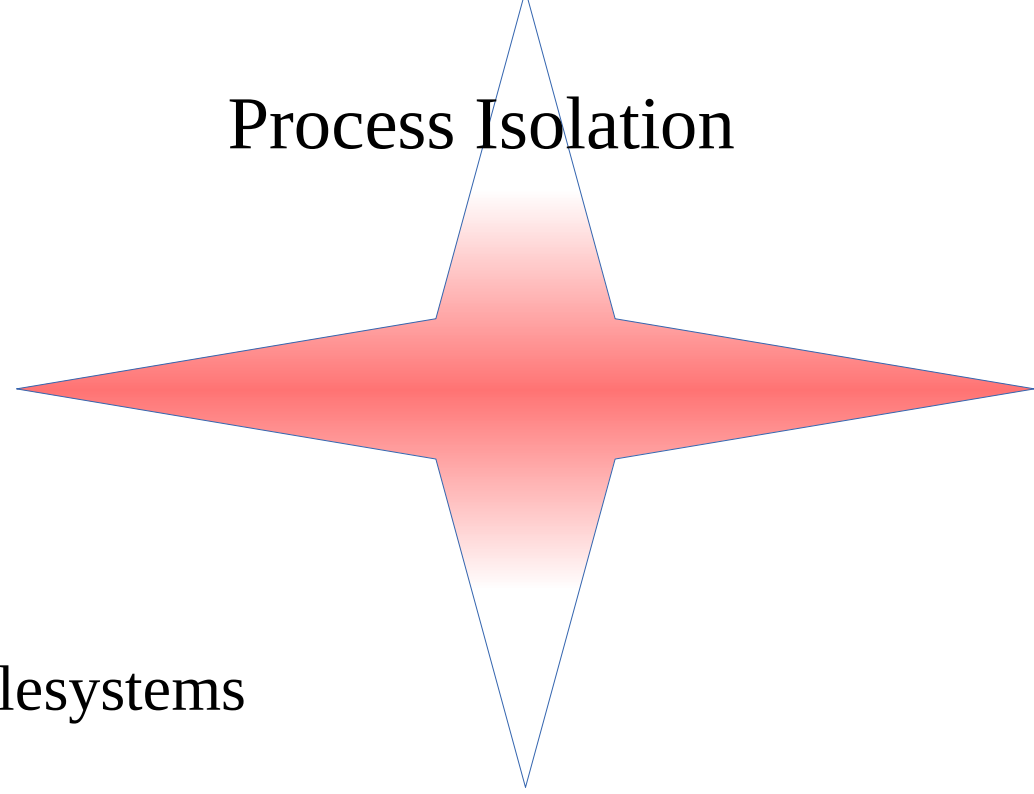


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Namespaces

Process Isolation



Mount : mounting/unmounting filesystems

UTS : hostname, domainname

IPC : SysV message queues, semaphore/shared memory segments

Network: IPv4/IPv6 stacks, routing, firewall

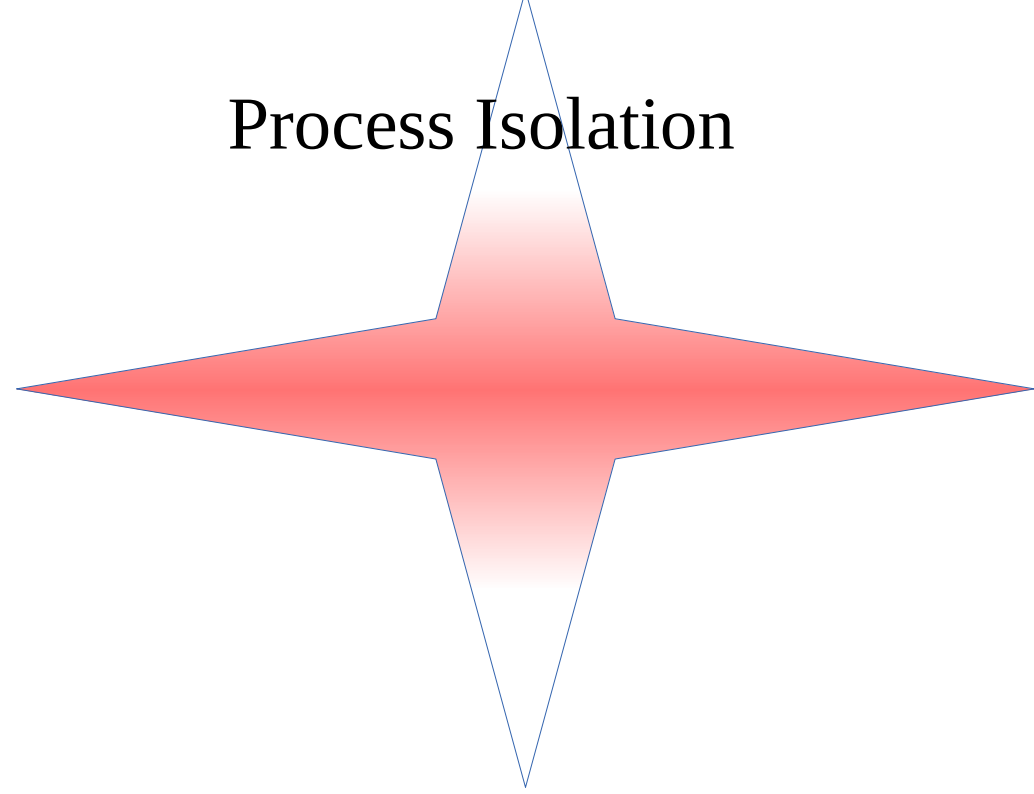
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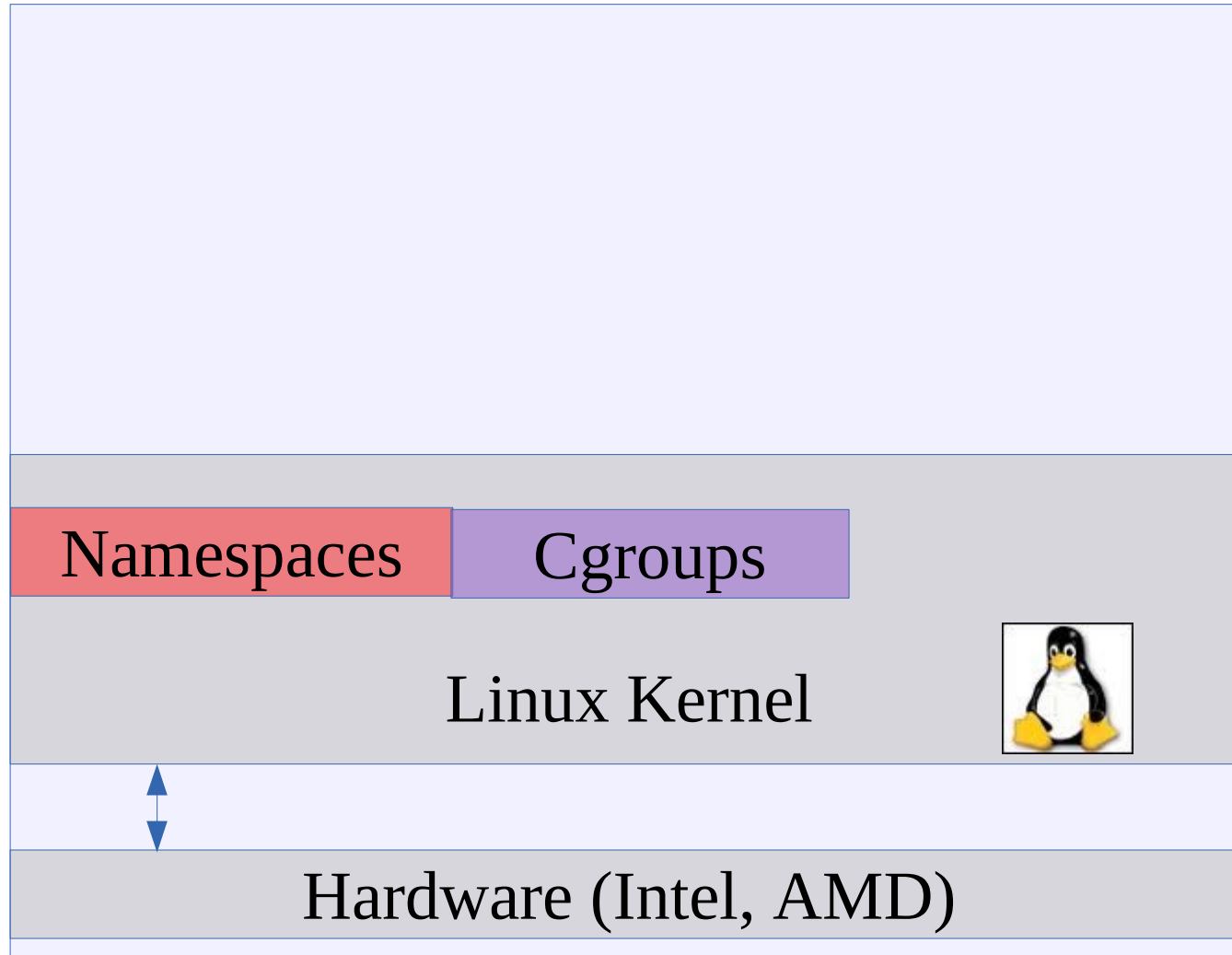
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Namespace Use

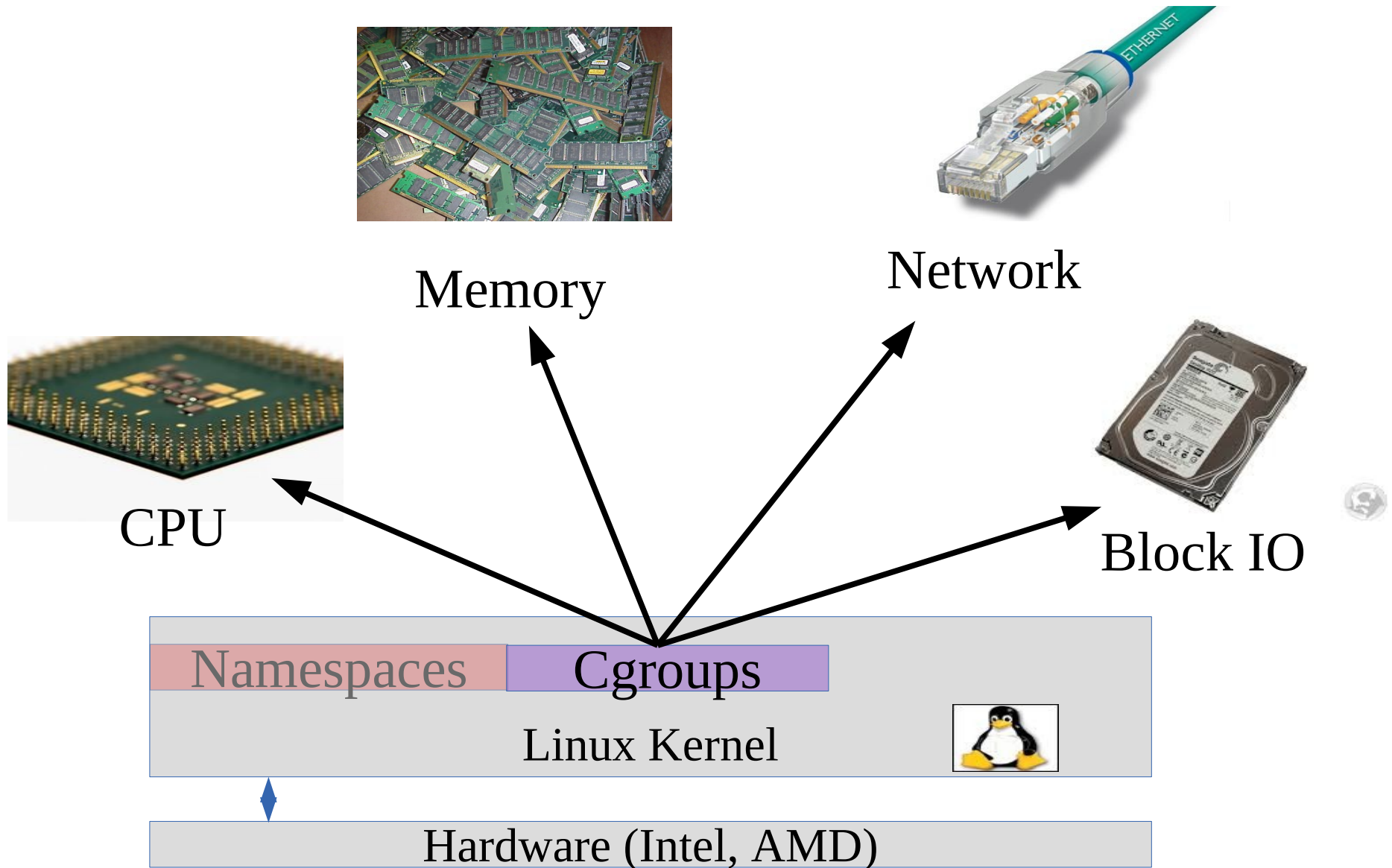
- pam_namespace - RHEL5/6
- SELinux sandbox - RHEL6
- SystemD - Fedora 17
 - UnitFile: PrivateTmp, PrivateNetwork
- Openshift - RHEL6
 - Pam_namespace : Private /tmp



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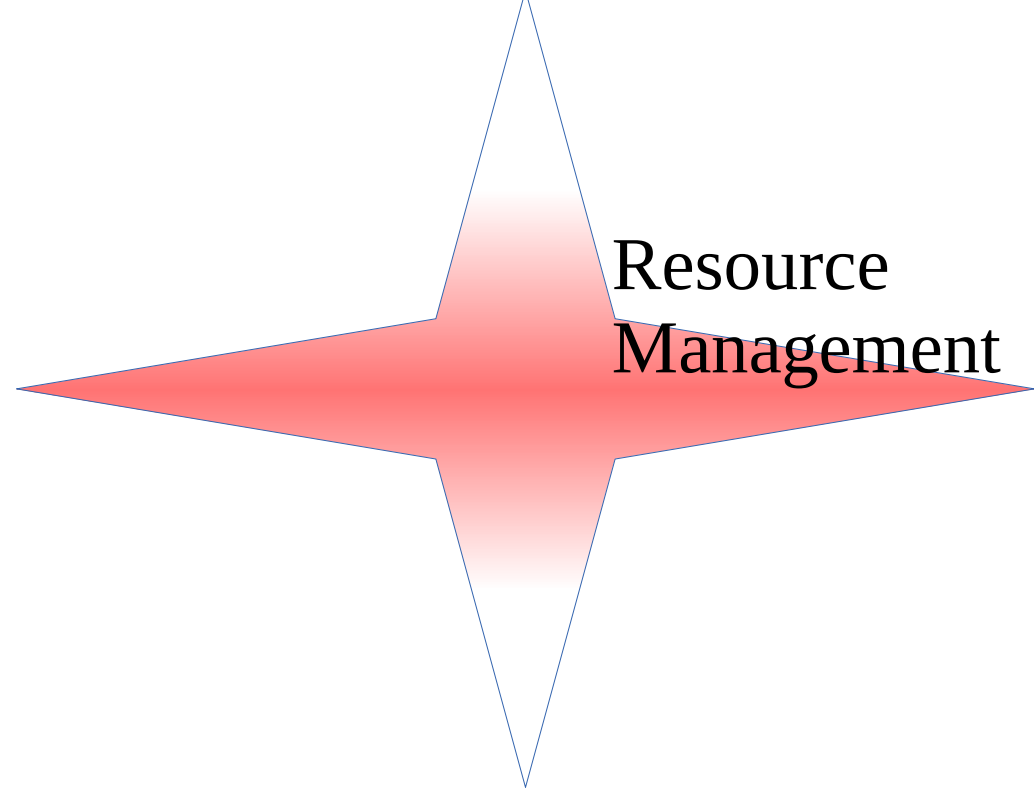


Resource Management with Cgroups

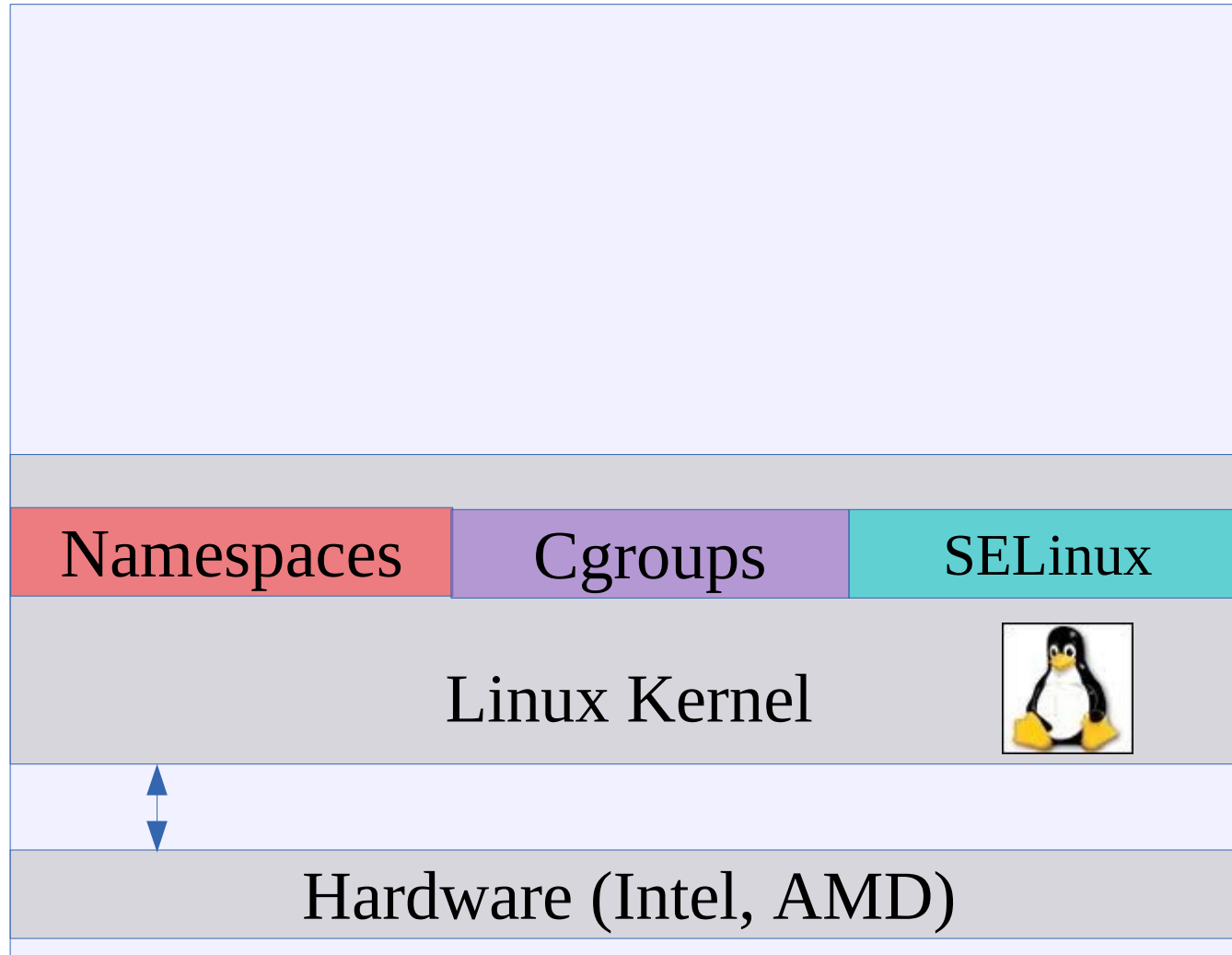


Cgroup Use

- Libvirt/qemu – RHEL6
- OpenShift - RHEL6
- SystemD - Fedora 18
 - UnitFile: ControlGroup*
- Red Hat Storage Server
 - Gluster - RHEL6



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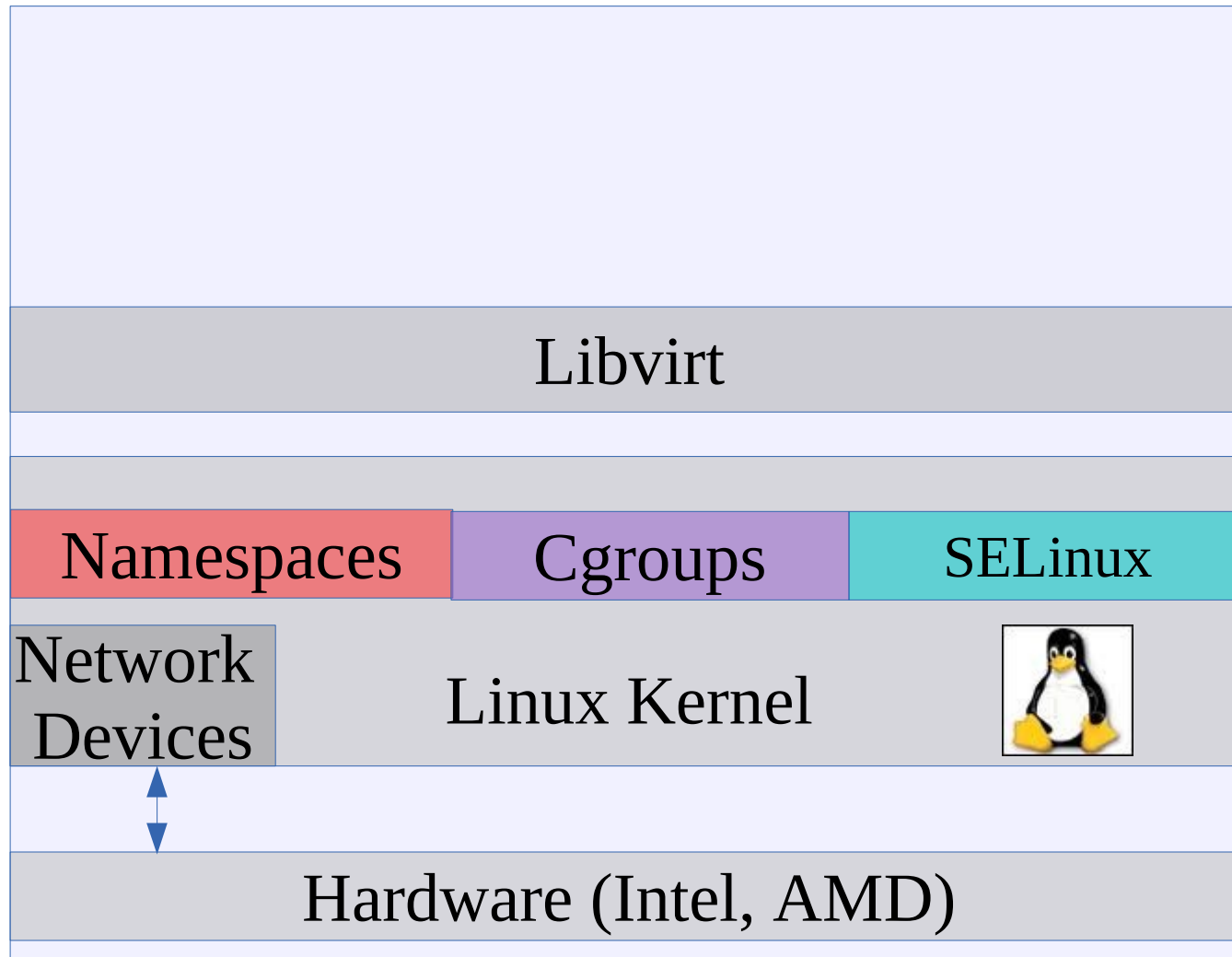
SELinux Use

- Targeted - RHEL4
- MLS – RHEL5
- Targeted/MCS - RHEL6
 - sVirt
 - OpenShift
 - sandbox -X

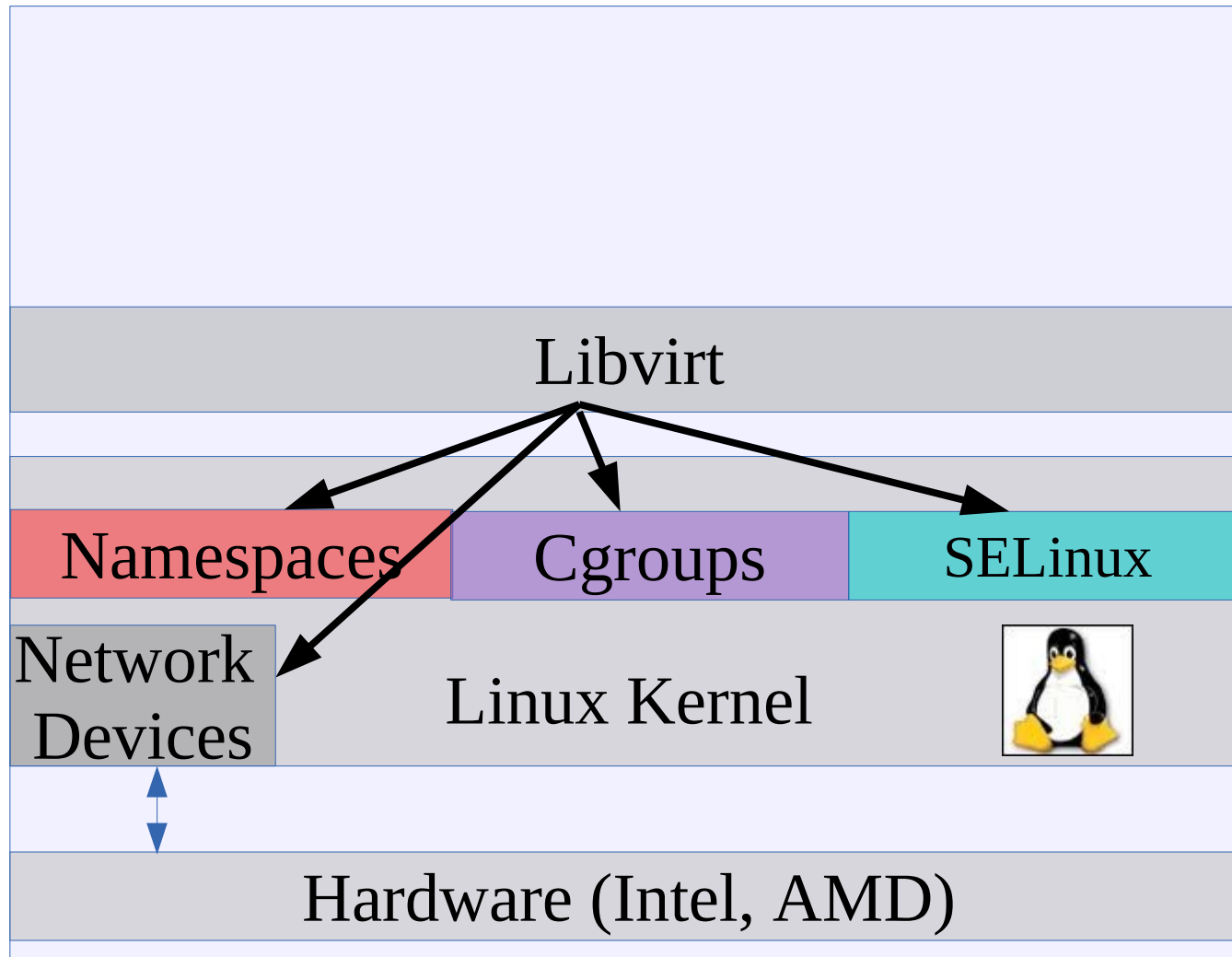
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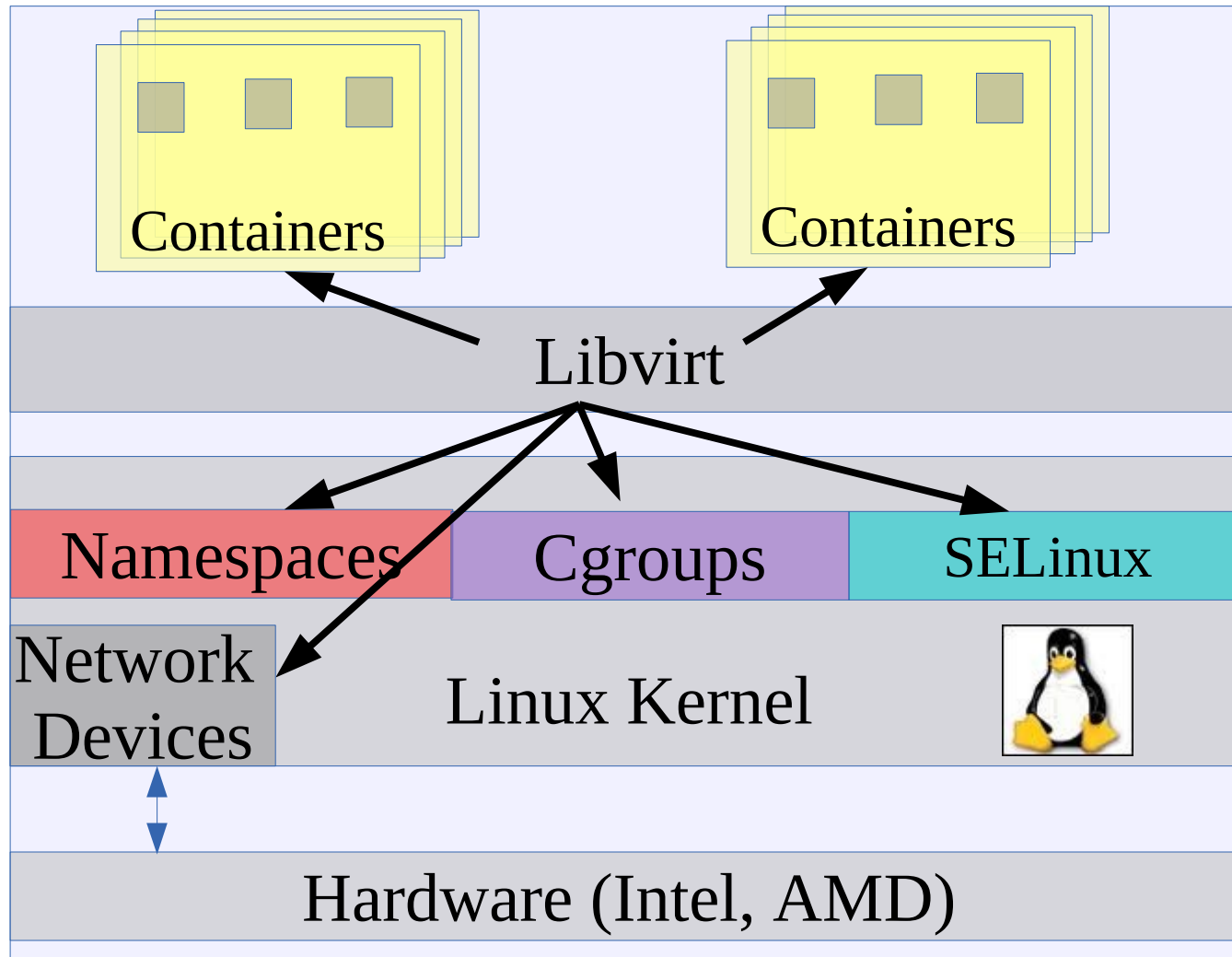
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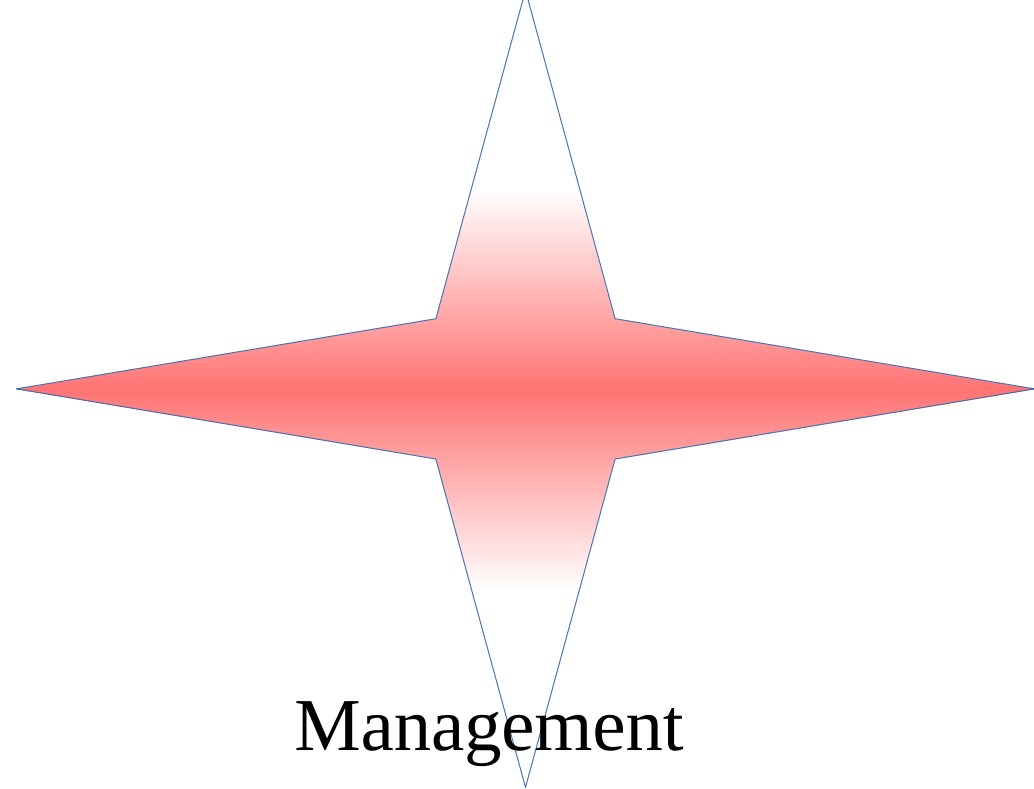


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Libvirt Use

- Libvirt - RHEL5, RHEL6
 - Launch Virtual Machines
- Libvirt-lxc – RHEL6.4
 - Launch Containers



Linux Container Use Cases



Process Isolation

Resource
Management

Security

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Management

Containers use cases

Shared RHEL Host Software

- Generic Application Container
- Systemd Application Container

Containers use cases

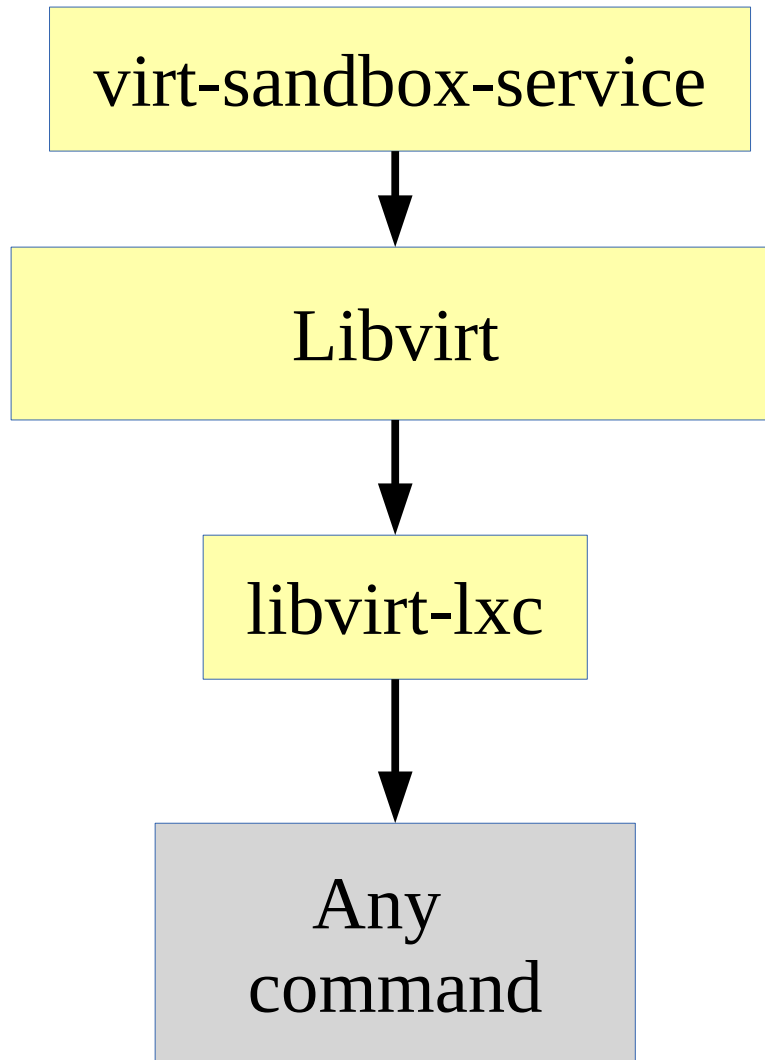
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- Generic Application Container
- Systemd Application Container

Unshared OS Software

- Chroot Application Container
- Booted OS Container

Generic Application Container



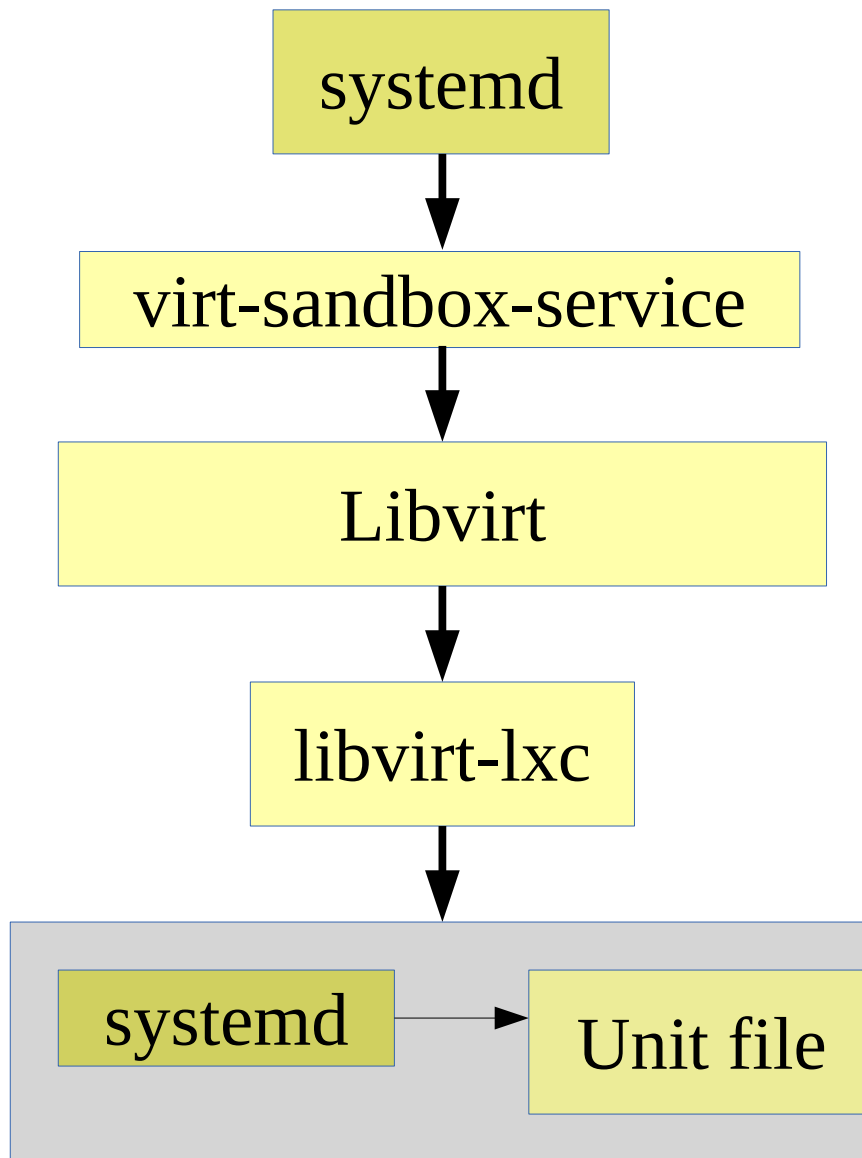
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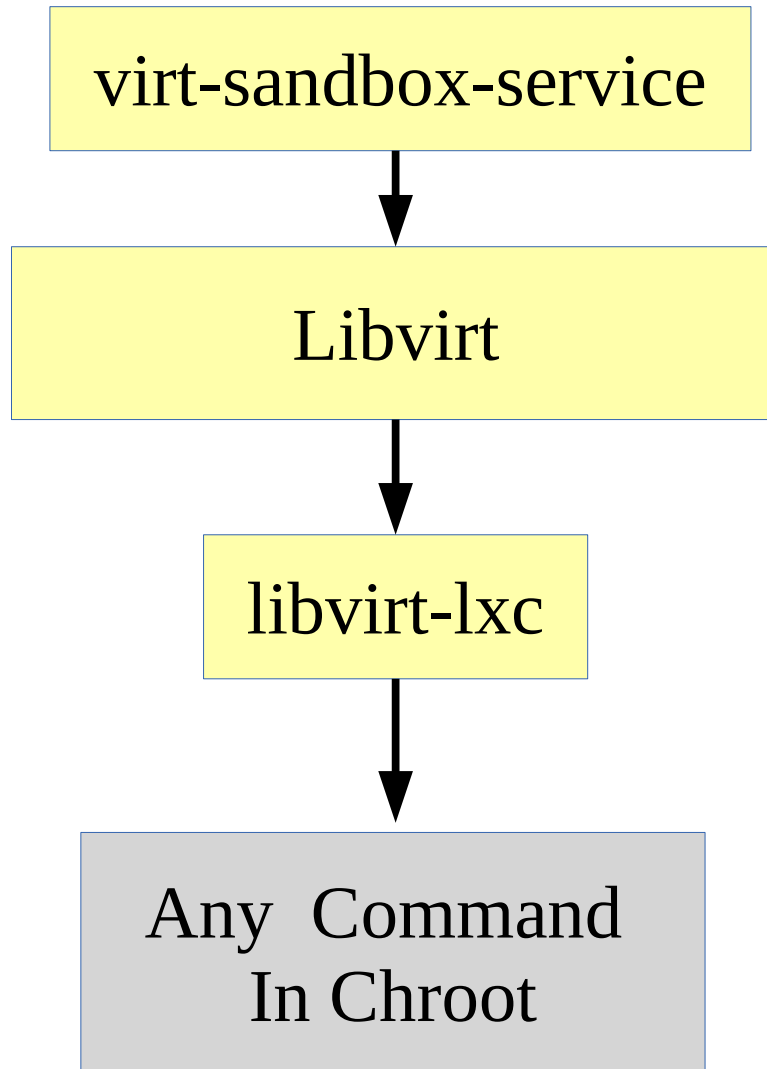
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Chroot Application Container

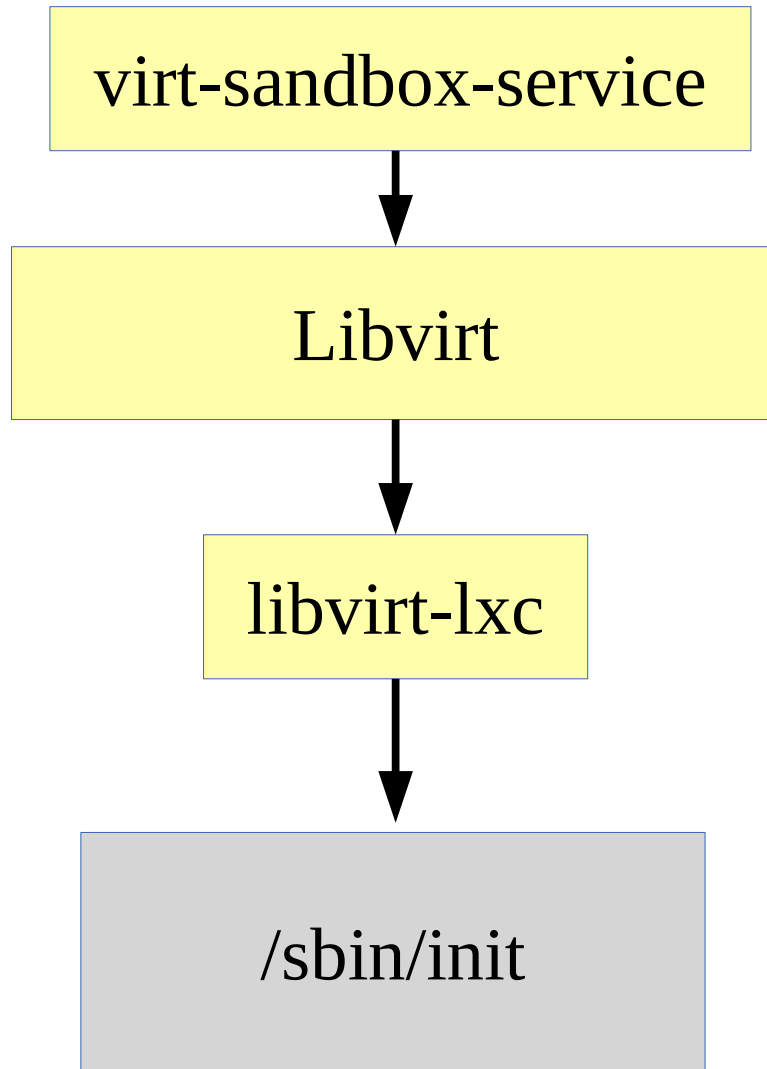


**Support TBD
in
RHEL 7.***

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Booted OS Container



Booted OS Containers

virt-sandbox-service

Libvirt

Not supported!!!

Use

libvirt-lxc

KVM

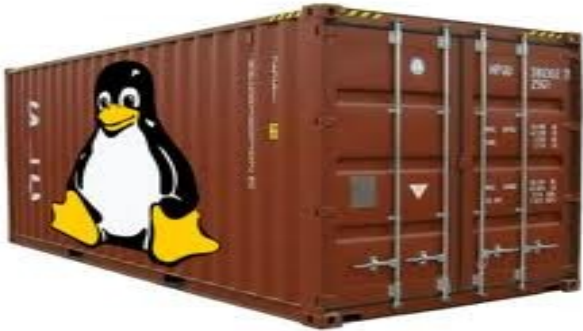
/sbin/init

Containers vs KVM Virtualization

When should I use containers and when should I use KVM?



Containers vs KVM Virtualization



- ✓ Startup and shutdown speed
- ✓ Ease of Maintenance
- ✓ Easy to create
- ✓ System-wide changes visible in each container
 - ✓ For RHEL Shared OS Containers
- ✓ Scalability: Number of containers
 - ✓ Process Memory Sharing

KVM Virtualization vs Containers



- ✓ Boot multiple Different Operating Systems
 - ✓ Including Windows
- ✓ Separate kernel
 - ✓ Better Security
 - ✓ Kernel crash does not take down host
- ✓ Guest Isolation from host changes
- ✓ Full Separation
- ✓ Features such as live migration, live storage migration

Linux Containers : Scalability

How many containers can you run?

- Theoretical
 - Scales to 6000 containers and 12000 bind mounts of root filesystem directories
- Practical
 - Running real workloads, containers doing work in parallel

Linux Containers Demo



Future

- Seccomp – Linux syscall restriction
- Better audit support/logging support
- Working UnionFS.
- What's going to break?????

Questions?



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