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One CSI plugin for All? Experimenting Heterogeneous Storage with Single CSI Plugin for Kubernetes

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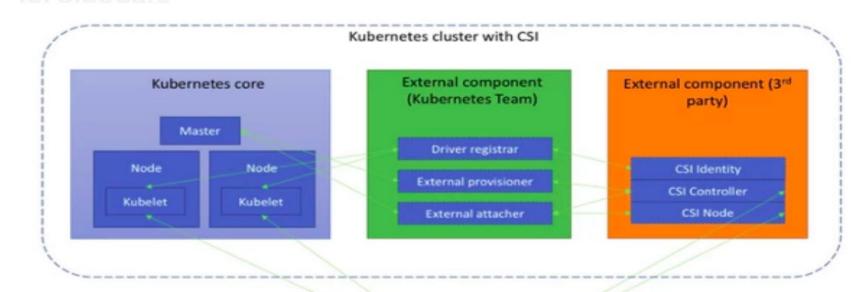
Agenda



- Brief on kubernetes and CSI interaction
- Understanding SODA CSI Plugin
- One CSI Plugin for all − 2 design options
- Demo
- Advantages



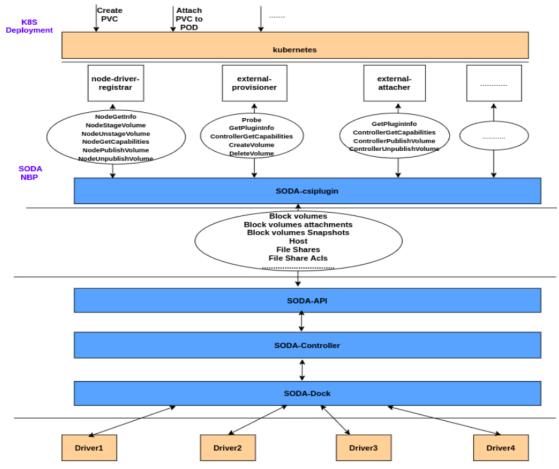
Kubernetes and CSI interaction





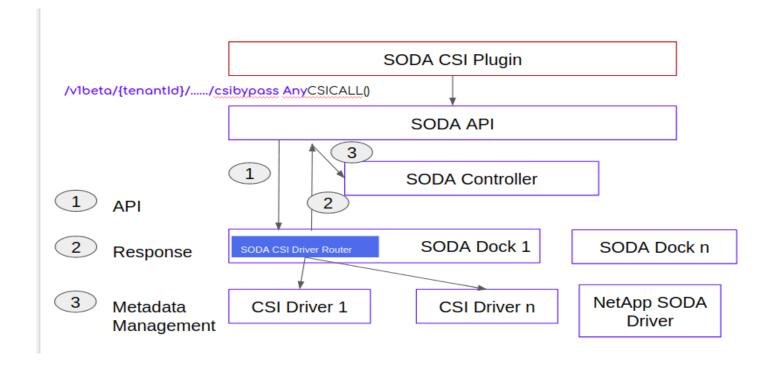
SODA Ecosystem and its CSI Plugin



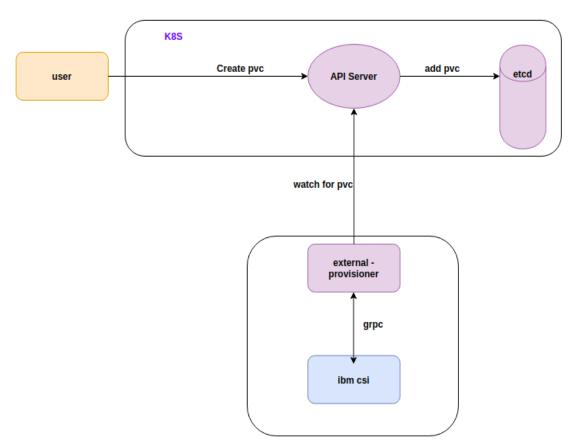




SODA-CSI Plug-N-Play (Design Option 1)

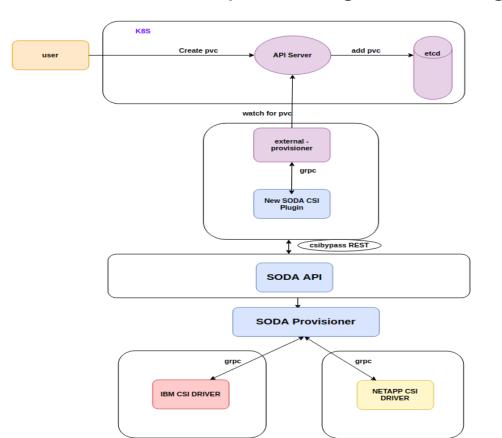








Volume provisioning flow with PlugNPlay







SODA-CSI Plug-N-Play (Design Option 2)

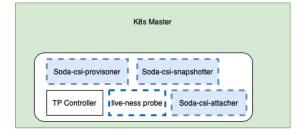
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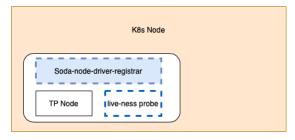
Make a single CSI Plug-N-Play mechanism which helps to:

- Provision and manage the Storage of heterogeneous Storage providers.
- Third party CSI drivers should be used directly from Vendors so that SODA/Users need not worry about it's maintenance.
- Use Soda Profile ID to determine which storage vendor drivers need to be used to provision the storage.
- Experience all the features set of SODA.

Deployment View

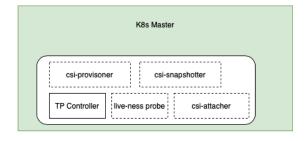
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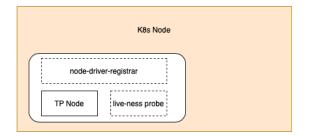






Typical CSI Driver Deployment





TP = Vendor Storage Provider(IBM, NetApp...)



apiVersion: storage.k8s.io/v1

kind: StorageClass

metadata:

name: csi-soda-example--block provisioner: csi-soda-block

parameters: attachMode: rw

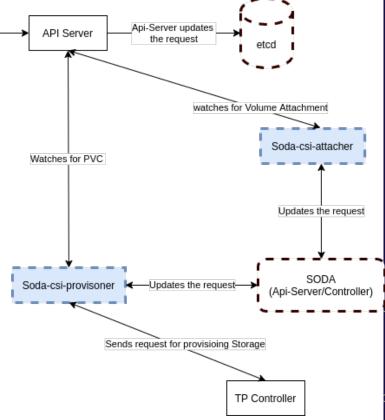
Actor

User Sends the storage provisioning request

Apr Server

A typical call flow for SODA CSI Plug-N-Play mechanism will be:

- Once the PVC Object is created by user then soda-csiprovisioner will get a request to provision the Storage.
- soda-csi-provisioner will interact with SODA API's to get the profile details and other parameters to determine if the required driver is same as the current driver in a pod.
- soda-csi-provisioner updates the SODA API server with the volume provisioning request and gather the required intelligence from SODA about the current provisioning.
- soda-csi-provisioner will forward the request to CSI driver in the same pod to do the actual provisiong.



Design option 1:

Advantages

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- Different third party csi drivers under one management
- All SODA ecosystem features, provisionings can be leveraged for all csi drivers in use

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