



The Pantheon Stack



In This Lesson

- What an Application Container is and why Pantheon uses them
- What tools you have in the containers
- How caching works on Pantheon





Application Containers

- Container
 - Security, resource allocation
 - Not a Virtual Machine
- Assigned internal TCP port, IP
 - Requests delivered by Styx
- Every environment gets at least one container
- Styx balances requests across containers, retrying failed requests





Why Use Containers?

- Add, remove, redistribute in seconds
- Software scaling
- Provisioned automatically
- Configuration is always in sync
- Highly available
- Not limited like virtual machines





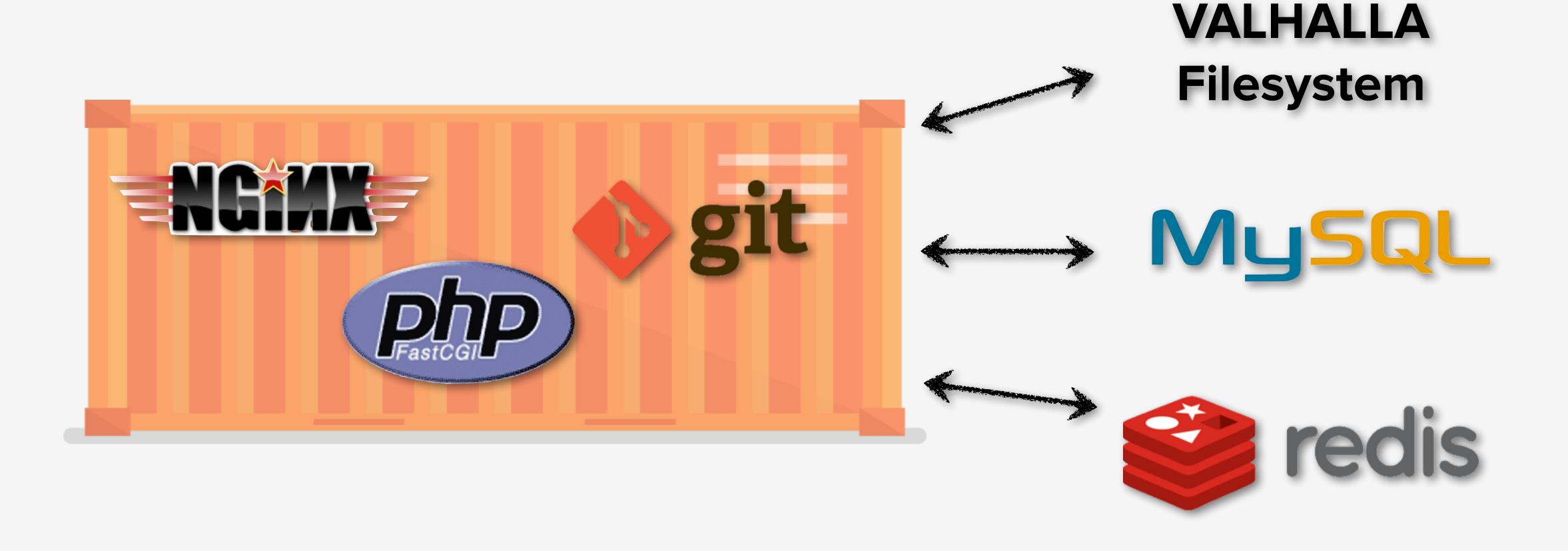
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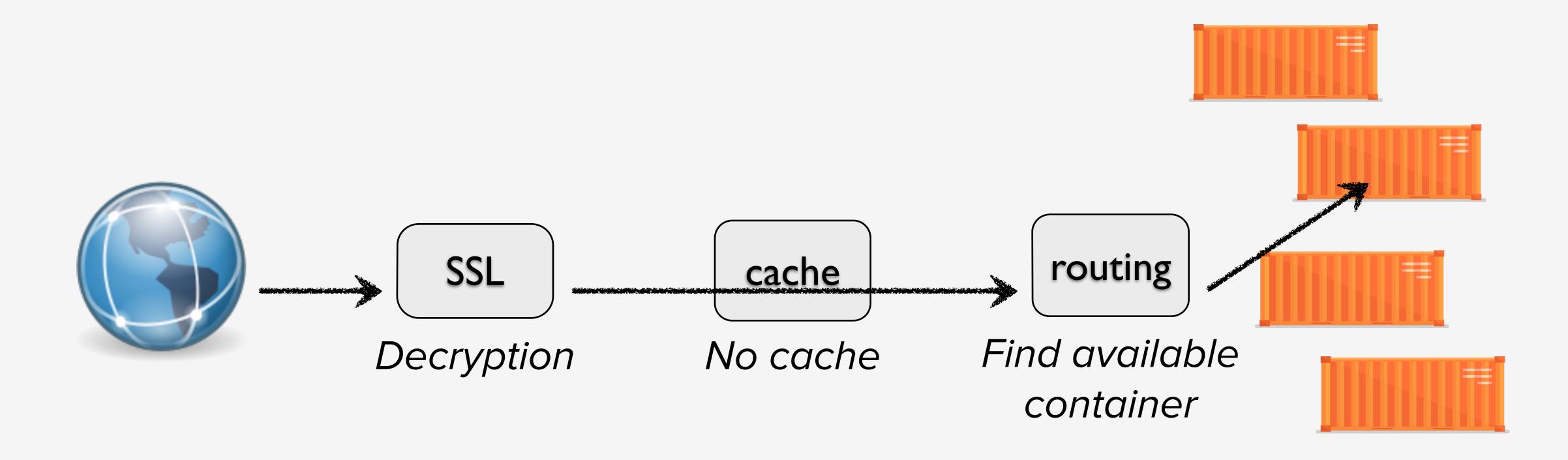
Caching and Varnish

- Varnish: HTTP accelerator
- Serves static content, anonymous pages
- Every request goes through cache
- If uncached, served by container workers





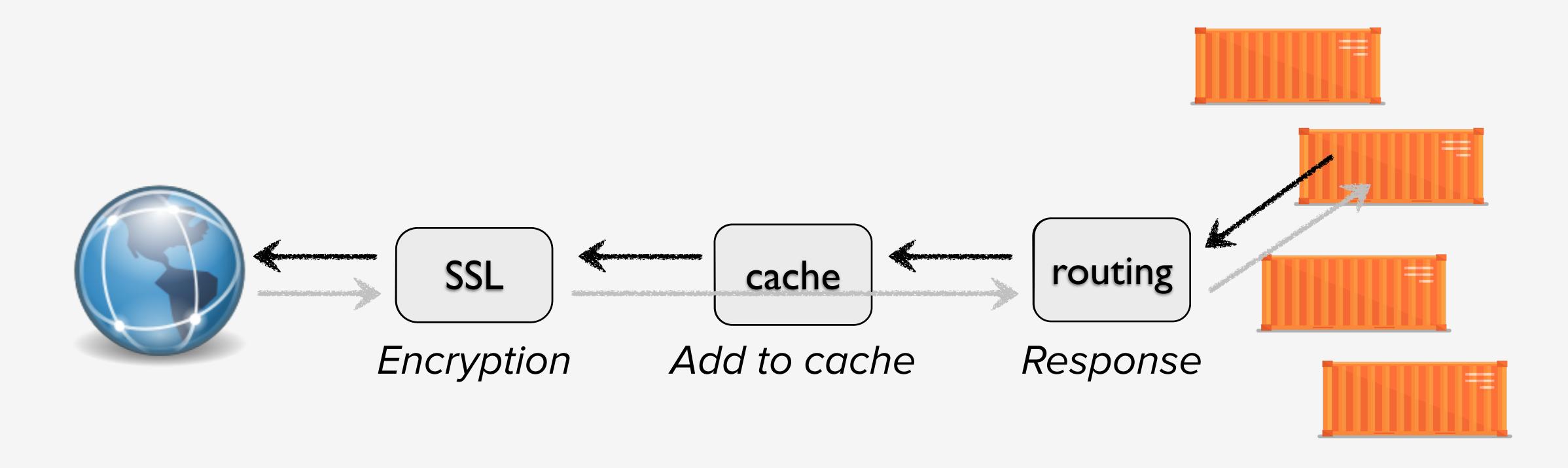
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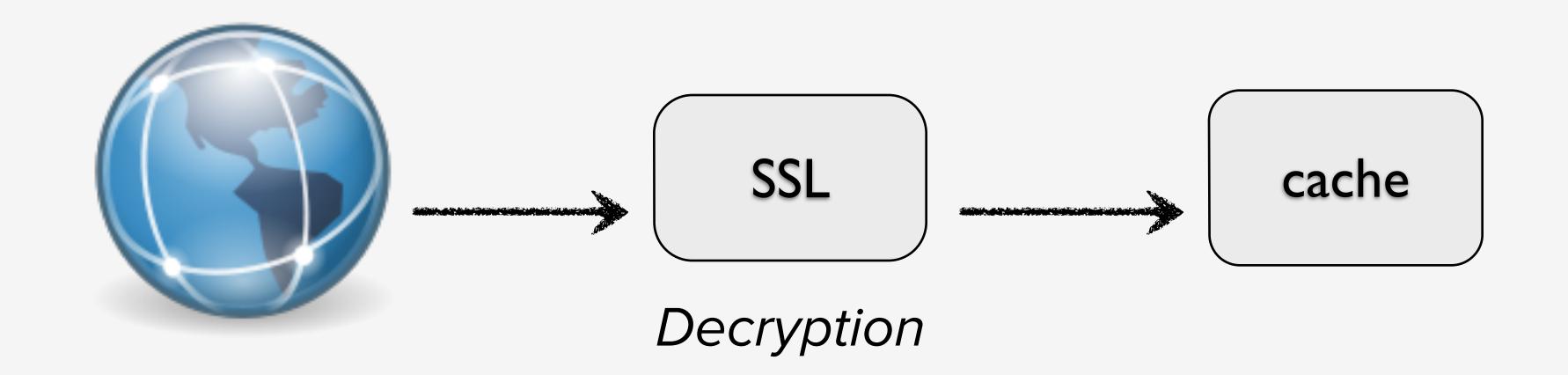
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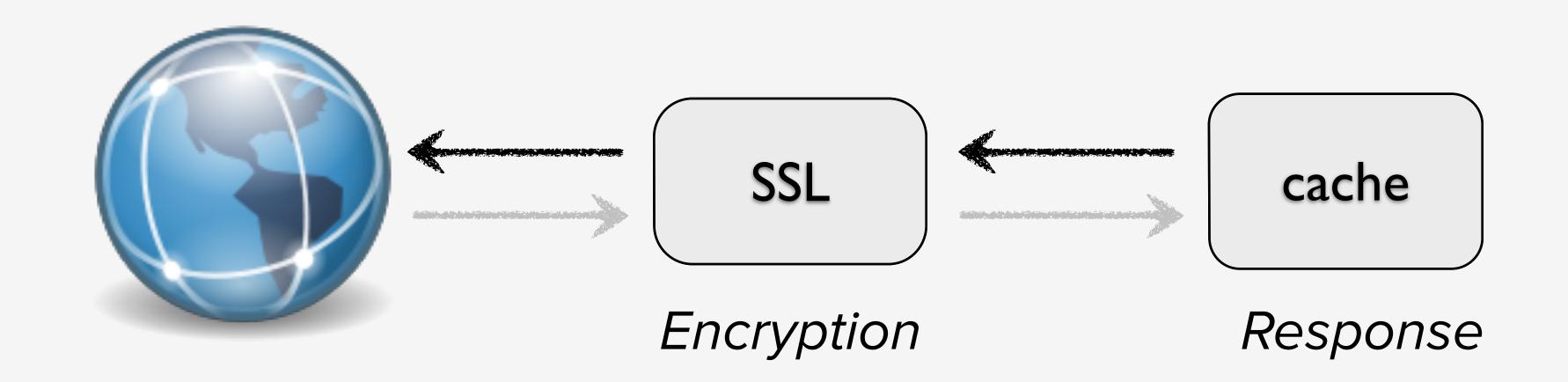
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