





The Path to Decentralization

Why Infura is launching a new decentralized network in 2023



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Infura was created in order to make interacting with Ethereum as easy as possible and **to lower the barrier** for others **to build** and deploy **dapps**



Infura launched at
DevCon2 2016

devcon
two



2016 Feels (and looks) like a Long Time Ago...



Points of Centralization

- ✓ Centralized Exchanges
- ✓ Fiat On/Off Ramps
- ✓ Code Repositories
- ✓ Rollups
- ✓ Off-Chain Data Troves
- ✓ Bridges



Why not start as decentralized?

a centralized system enabled Ethereum
development to flourish



- **Technology stack is non-trivial**
 - It is more than just a load balancer
- **Handle billions of requests per day**
 - With quick response time
- **Operationally complex**
 - Continuous upgrade and upkeep
- **Guarantee 99.99% uptime for customers**
 - Infura has provided consistently reliable service for over 6 years

2016
Infura launches

2017 - 2018 ICO Bubble
2019 - Crypto Winter
2020 - DeFi Summer
2021 - 2022 NFTs

2022
Infura announces
plan to launch a
decentralized
infrastructure
network

2021
External bug causes
service outage

**Pressure forces
innovation**





Decentralization was always the plan



The Node Provider Ecosystem Has Flourished



Figment



coinbase CLOUD

Decentralization:
The gateway to
an **open future**





What does **Decentralizing Infura** look like?





Infura, the company, will become a partner in a permissionless network alongside all other network operators





End user

Wants to connect to a
Web3 network

Network Participants



Infrastructure
(Node) Providers

Provides service in
return for reward



Network Status
Watchers

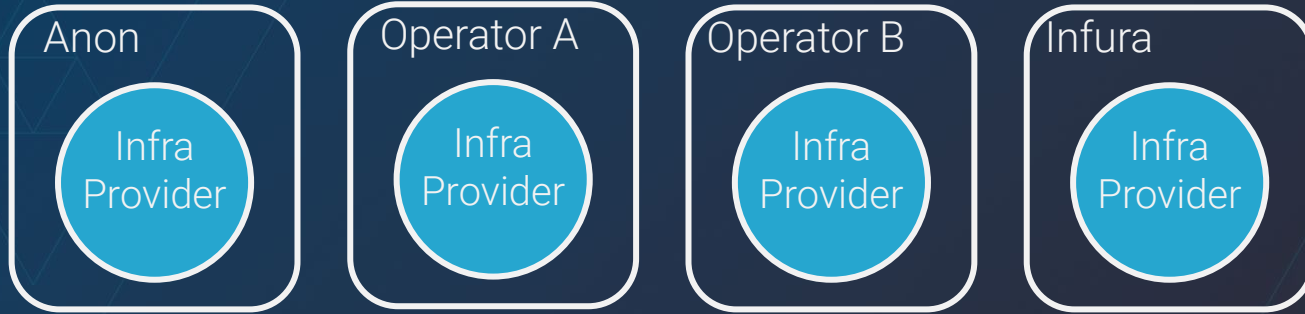
Provides performance
and capability reports



Ingress
Nodes

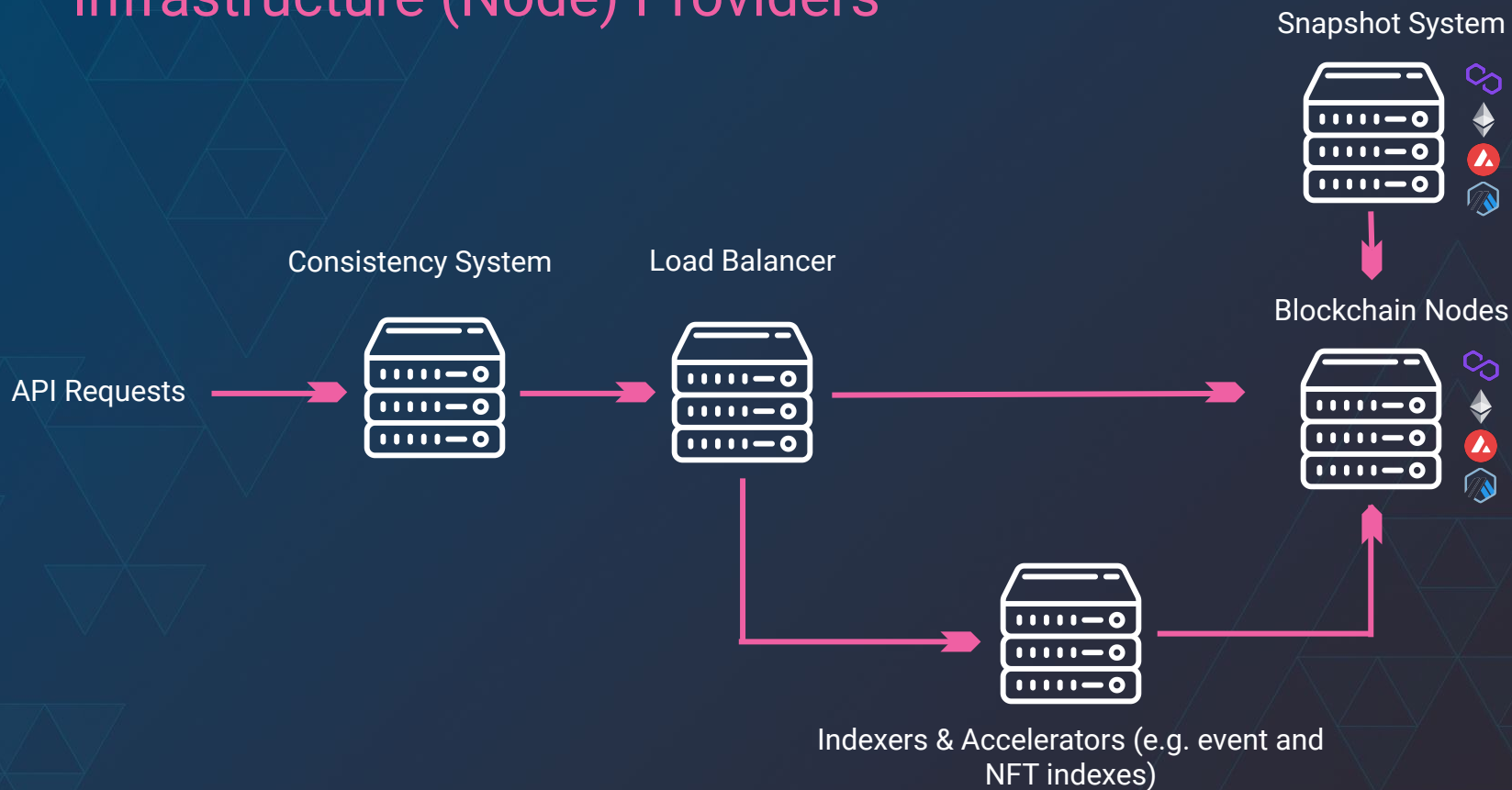
Sells network
resources to users

Infrastructure (Node) Providers

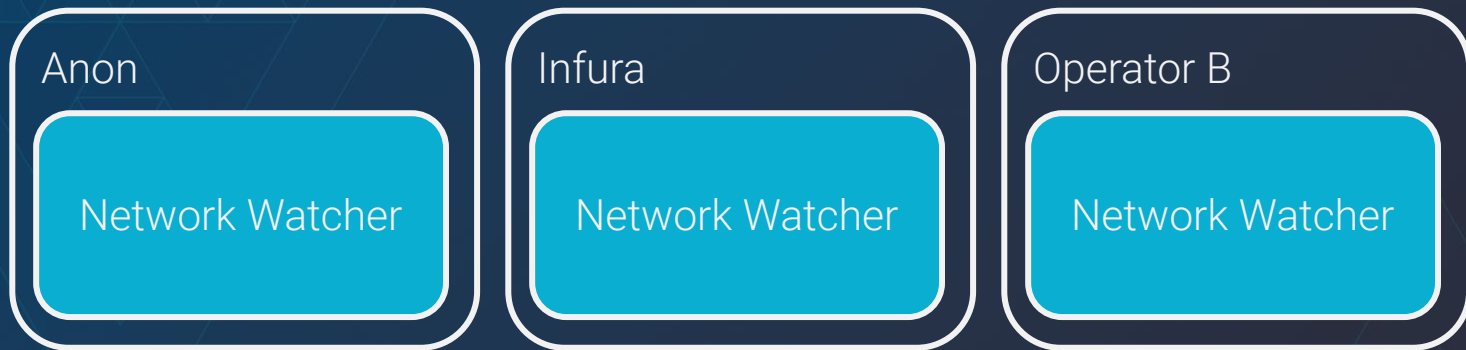


- Commit to provide network capacity
- Specify the protocols and capabilities supported
- Specify the traffic throughput supported
- Compensated for providing service

Infrastructure (Node) Providers

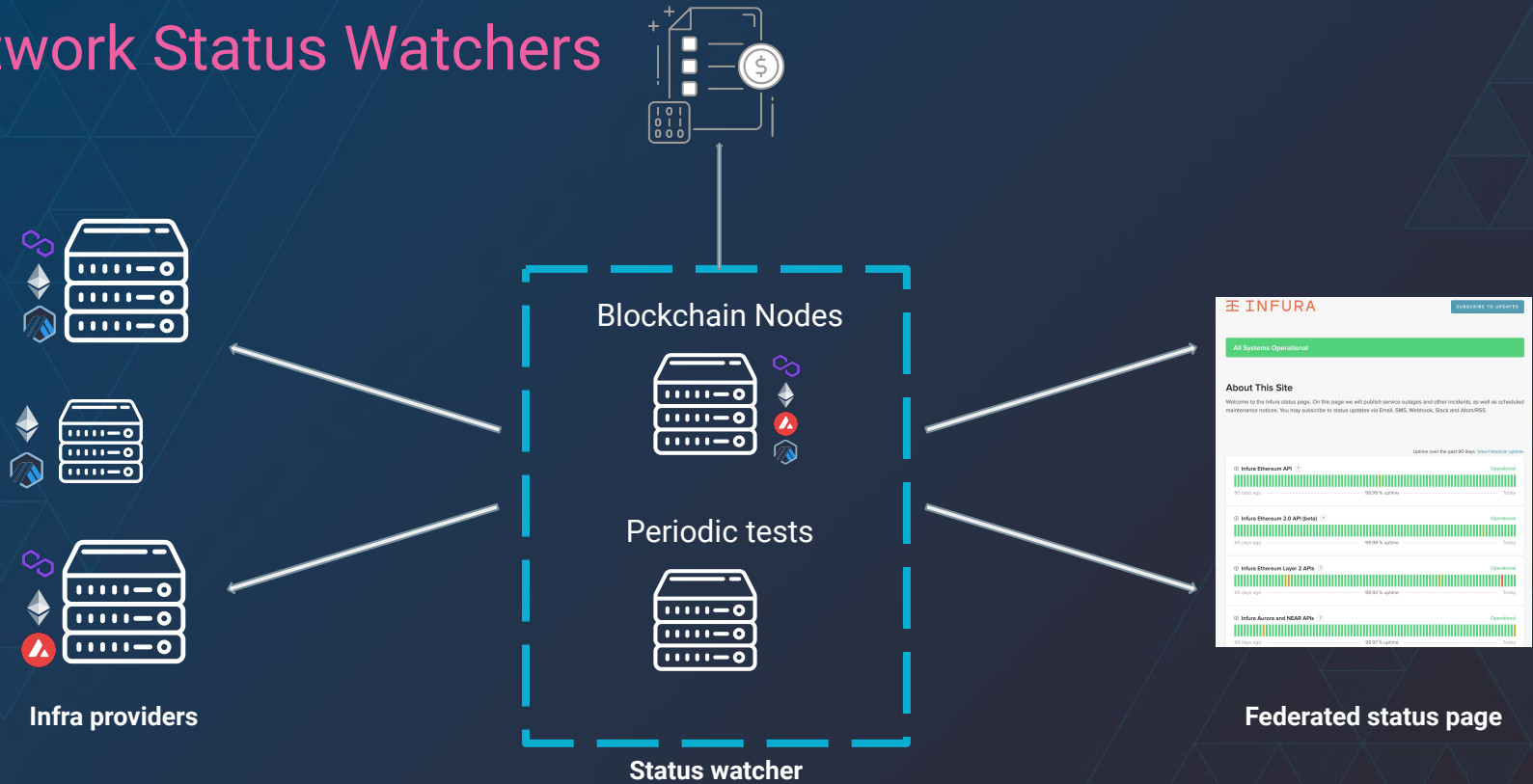


Network Status Watchers

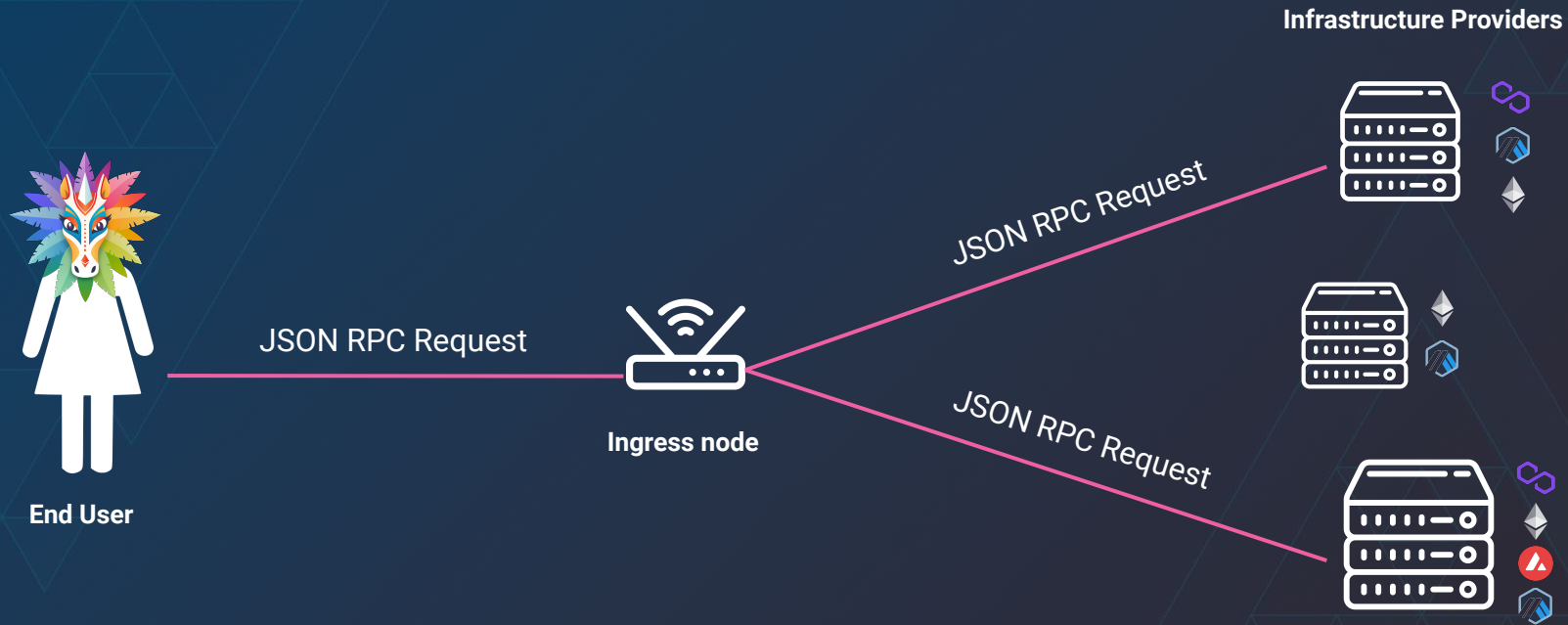


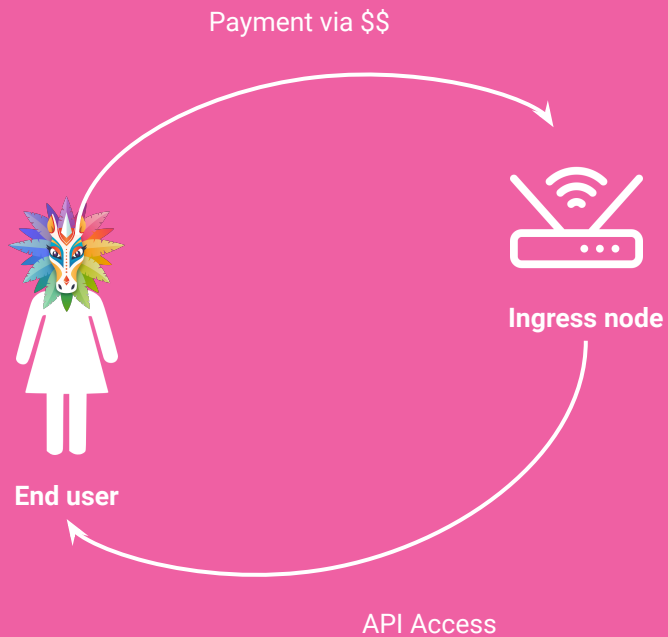
- Periodically test infra providers with a small volume of requests
- Measure performance and correctness
- Report to a federated status page
- Provably incorrect responses can inform penalties

Network Status Watchers



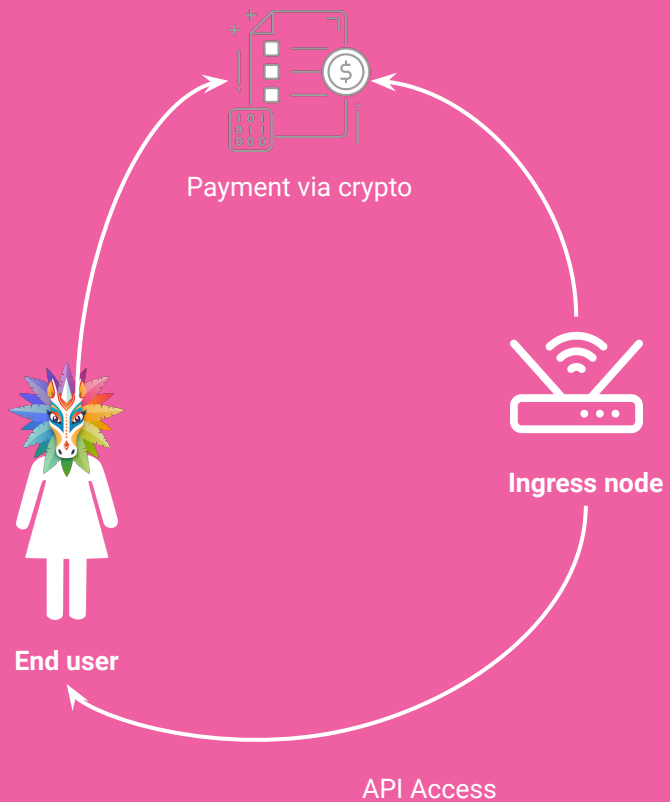
Ingress Node





Same (web2) UX,
Better Results





Web3 UX



On-Chain Registry



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{  
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             "optimism", "polygon"],  
  "operator_a": ["eth", "polygon"],  
  "operator_b": ["near", "solana", "bsc"],  
  ...  
  "anon": ["bsc", "near", "aurora"]  
}
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On-Chain Registry

Time



Smart contract is deployed

On-Chain Registry



Infra provider #1



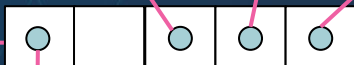
Infra provider #2



Infra provider #3



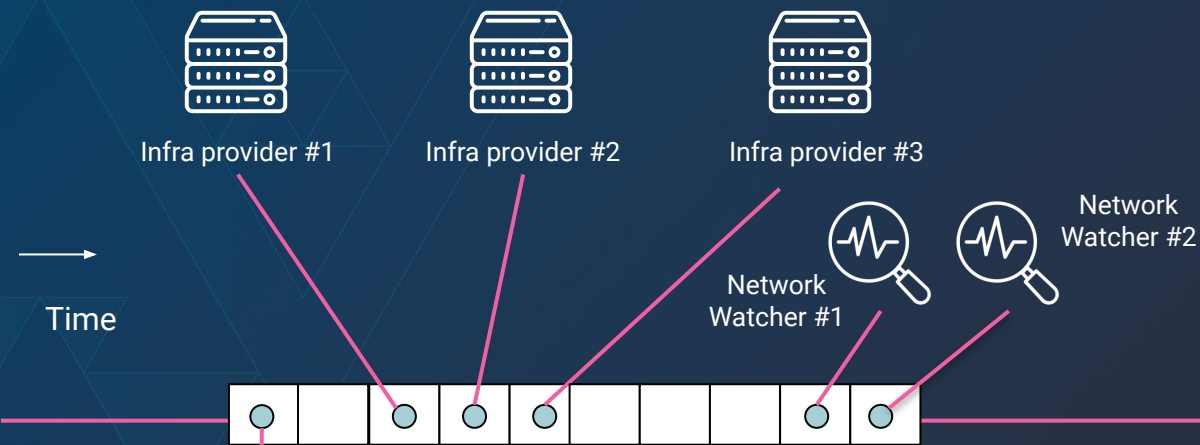
Time



Infrastructure providers register

- Protocols
- Capabilities
- Throughput

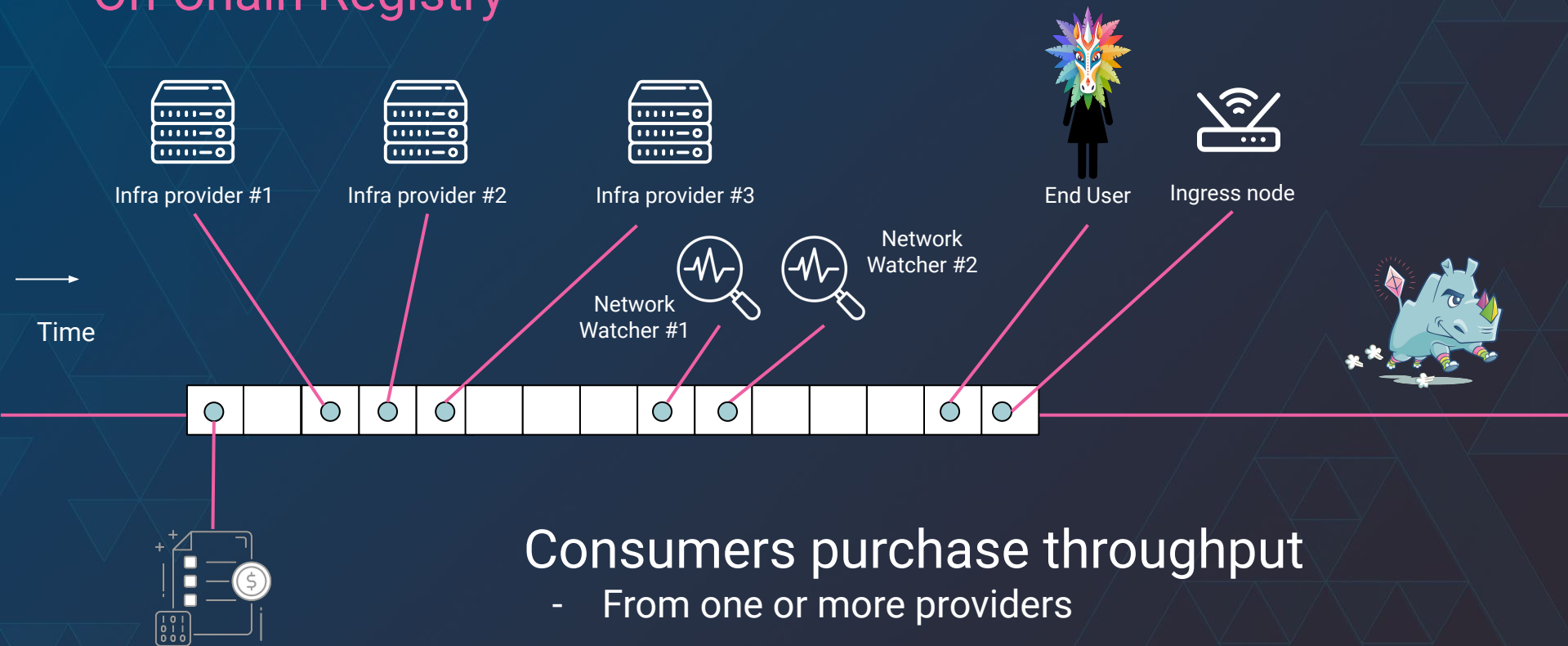
On-Chain Registry



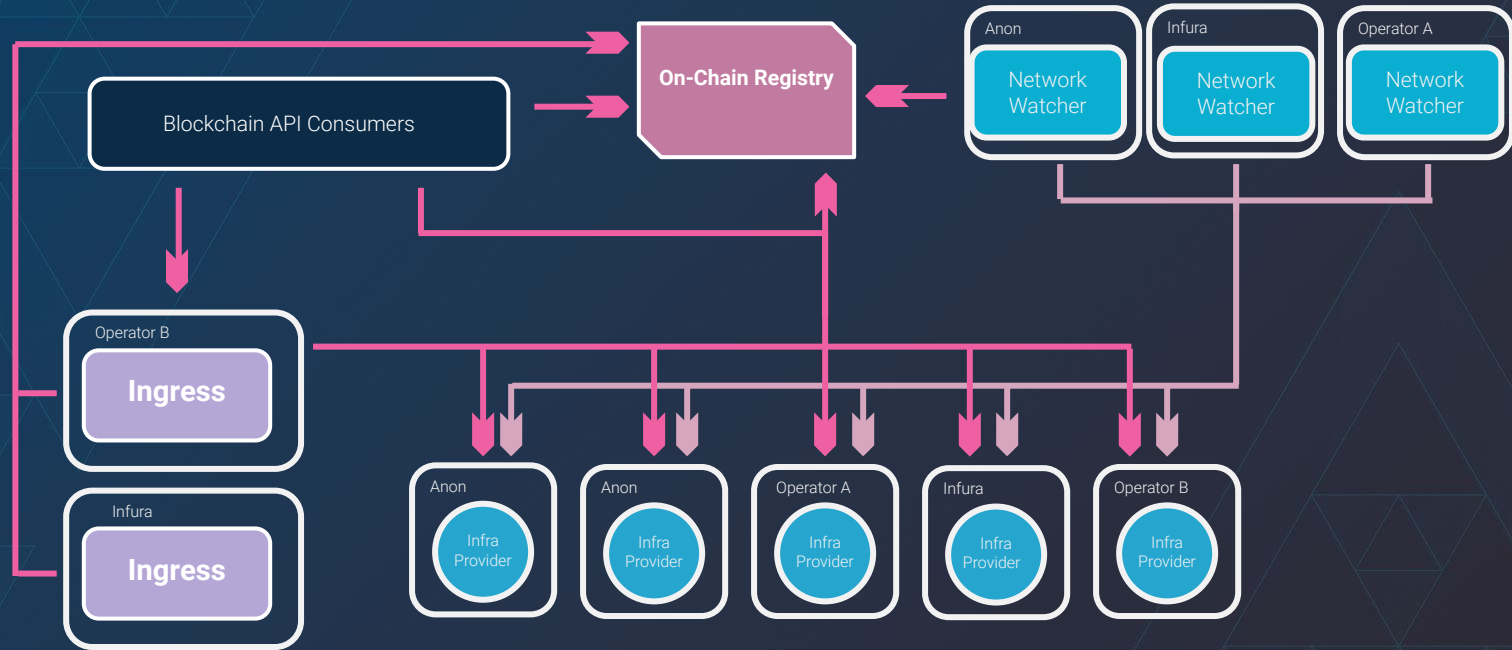
Network Watchers Register

- For one or many registered providers
- Protocols
- Capabilities

On-Chain Registry



Decentralized Architecture



Decentralized Infrastructure Network

A self-sustaining, reliable, and robust network of infrastructure providers built to serve a high-throughput of blockchain API requests

- ✓ Remove single point of failure
- ✓ Collaborative Web3 spirit
- ✓ Improve reliability for users
- ✓ Guarantee towards 100% uptime
- ✓ Same, easy-to-use Web2 UX



Apply via QR Code



Infura is seeking strong Web3 infrastructure providers to work together towards a decentralized future



Thank you!



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