



# BRANE status update

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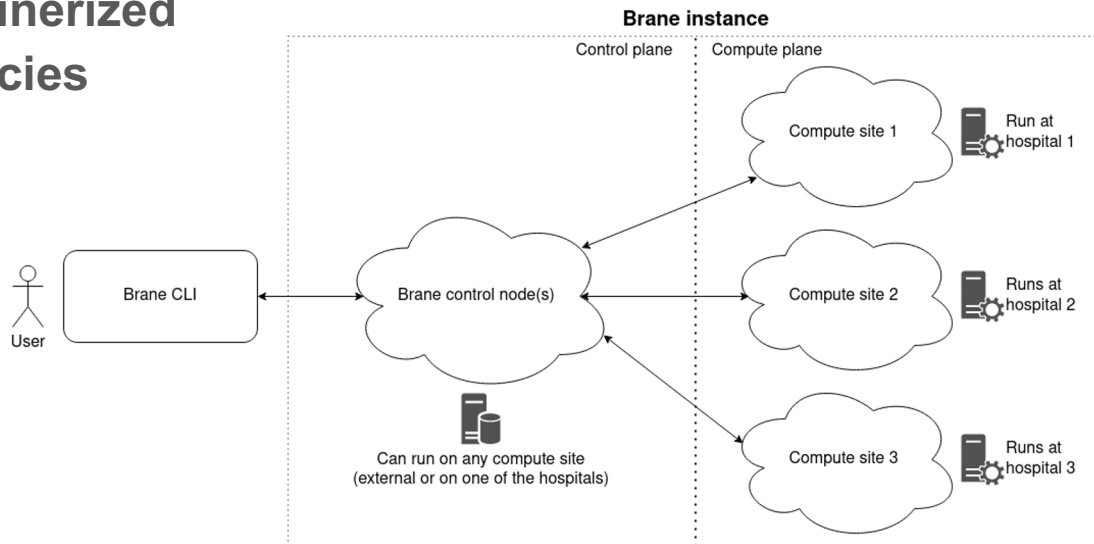
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# BRANE in a nutshell

*“Programmable orchestration of applications and networking”*

- **Abstraction** over multiple domains (e.g., hospitals)
- Processes **workflows** of external function calls
- External functions are **containerized**
- Data- and network-level **policies** enforced at runtime
- **Separation of concerns**
  - System engineers
  - Software engineers
  - Policy makers
  - Scientists



# Current state

- **Abstraction:** Completed
  - Supports multiple infrastructures: Kubernetes, Slurm, Xenon and simply SSH
- **Workflows:** Completed
  - Supports both BraneScript and Bakery DSLs
- **Containerized:** Completed\*
  - Building with Docker, using containerd for runtime
  - Adding Singularity as runtime alternative TBD
- **Separation of concerns:** 75%
  - Support for system engineers, software engineers and scientists (DSLs)
  - Support for policy makers TBD
- **Policies:** TBD

# Future work

- Next focus: **policies**
- Data-level policies: integrate eFLINT<sup>[1]</sup>
  - Milen Kebede and Christopher Esterhuysen's work
- Network-level policies: integrate network bridging functions
  - Jamila Alsayed Kassem's work
- Testing with DIPG and St. Antonius use-cases
  
- Exploring options to reliably authenticate users in the background

[1] L. Thomas van Binsbergen, Lu-Chi Liu, Robert van Doesburg, and Tom van Engers. 2020. EFLINT: a domain-specific language for executable norm specifications. In *Proceedings of the 19th ACM SIGPLAN International Conference on Generative Programming: Concepts and Experiences (GPCE 2020)*. Association for Computing Machinery, New York, NY, USA, 124–136.

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