



# Application software configuration using Heat

Steve Baker

Senior Software Engineer, Red Hat

[sbaker@redhat.com](mailto:sbaker@redhat.com)

irc stevebaker #heat

# Application software configuration using Heat

- Configuration vs Orchestration
- New heat software config and deployment resources
- Integrating configuration tools



Software  
Configuration

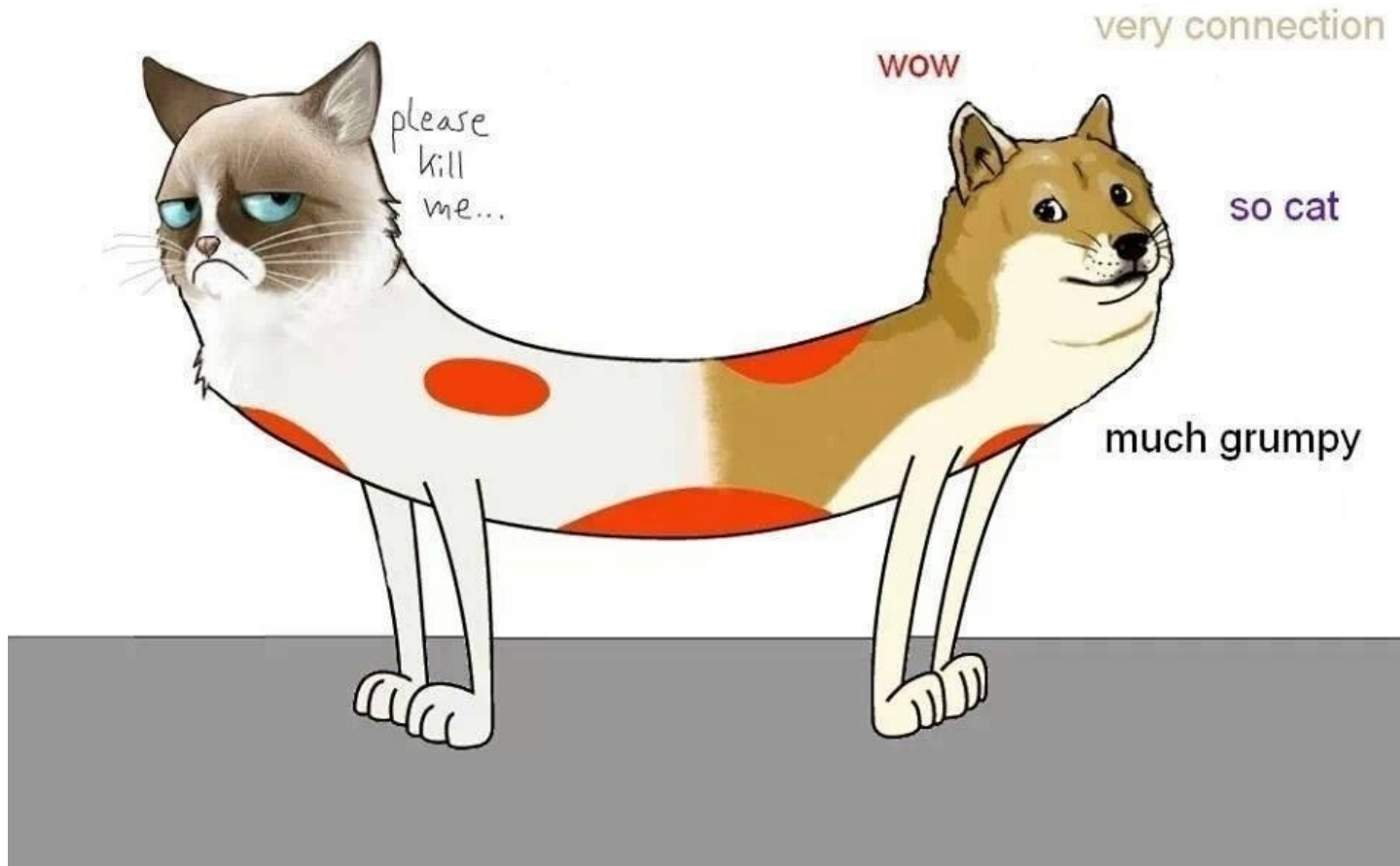


Orchestration



Separation of  
concerns is important

# grumpy CatDoge:



Choosing an  
abstraction involves  
compromise

# CloudFormation cfn-init example

```
"Resources" : {  
  "WikiDatabase": {  
    "Type": "AWS::EC2::Instance",  
    "Metadata" : {  
      "AWS::CloudFormation::Init" : {  
        "config" : {  
          "packages" : {  
            "yum" : {  
              "mysql"      : [],  
              "mysql-server" : [],  
              "httpd"      : [],  
              "wordpress"  : []  
            }  
          },  
          "services" : {  
            "systemd" : {  
              "mysqld" : { "enabled" : "true", "ensureRunning" : "true" },  
              "httpd"  : { "enabled" : "true", "ensureRunning" : "true" }  
            }  
          }  
        }  
      }  
    }  
  }  
}
```

# CloudFormation cfn-init example

```
"Properties": {
  "UserData" : { "Fn::Base64" : { "Fn::Join" : [ "", [
    "#!/bin/bash -v\n",
    "/opt/aws/bin/cfn-init\n",
    "# Setup MySQL root password and create a user\n",
    "mysqladmin -u root password '", { "Ref" : "DBRootPassword" }, "'\n",
    "cat << EOF | mysql -u root --password='", { "Ref" : "DBRootPassword" }, "'\n",
    "CREATE DATABASE ", { "Ref" : "DBName" }, ";\n",
    "GRANT ALL PRIVILEGES ON ", { "Ref" : "DBName" }, ".* TO \'", { "Ref" : "DBUser" },
    "IDENTIFIED BY \'", { "Ref" : "DBPassword" }, "';\n",
    "FLUSH PRIVILEGES;\n",
    "EXIT\n",
    "EOF\n",
    "sed -i \"/Deny from All/d\" /etc/httpd/conf.d/wordpress.conf\n",
    "sed -i \"/s/Require local/Require all granted/\" /etc/httpd/conf.d/wordpress.conf\n",
    "sed --in-place --e s/database_name_here/", { "Ref" : "DBName" }, "/ --e s/usern
    "systemctl restart httpd.service\n",
    "firewall-cmd --add-service=http\n",
    "firewall-cmd --permanent --add-service=http\n"
```



Both have roles to play  
in the stack



# Configuration resource

- API backed store of configuration data
- Stores configuration script
- Defines inputs and outputs schema
- Tool specific options
- Are immutable and can be passed by referenced

# Boot configuration with cloud-init

one\_init:

type: OS::Heat::CloudConfig

properties:

cloud\_config:

write\_files:

- path: /tmp/one

content: "The one is bar"

two\_init:

type: OS::Heat::SoftwareConfig

properties:

config: |

#!/bin/sh

echo "The two is bar" > /tmp/two

server\_init:

type: OS::Heat::MultipartMime

properties:

parts:

- config: {get\_resource: one\_init}

- config: {get\_resource: two\_init}

server:

type: OS::Nova::Server

properties:

image: {get\_param: image}

flavor: {get\_param: flavor}

key\_name: {get\_param: key\_name}

user\_data\_format: RAW

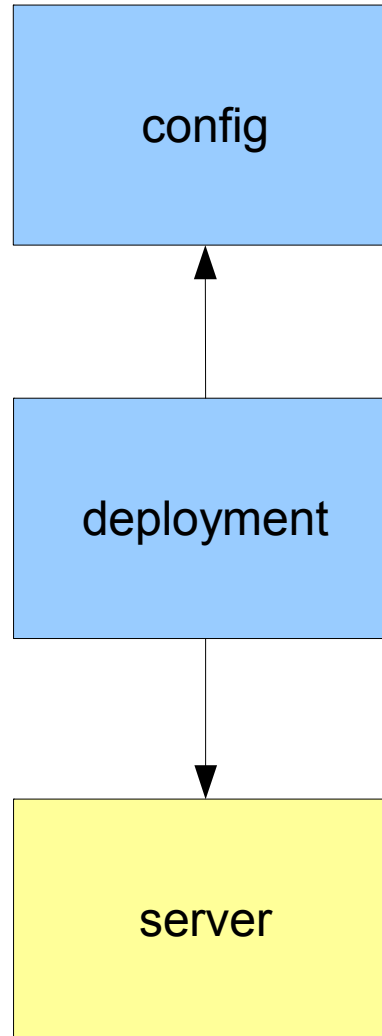
user\_data:

get\_resource: server\_init

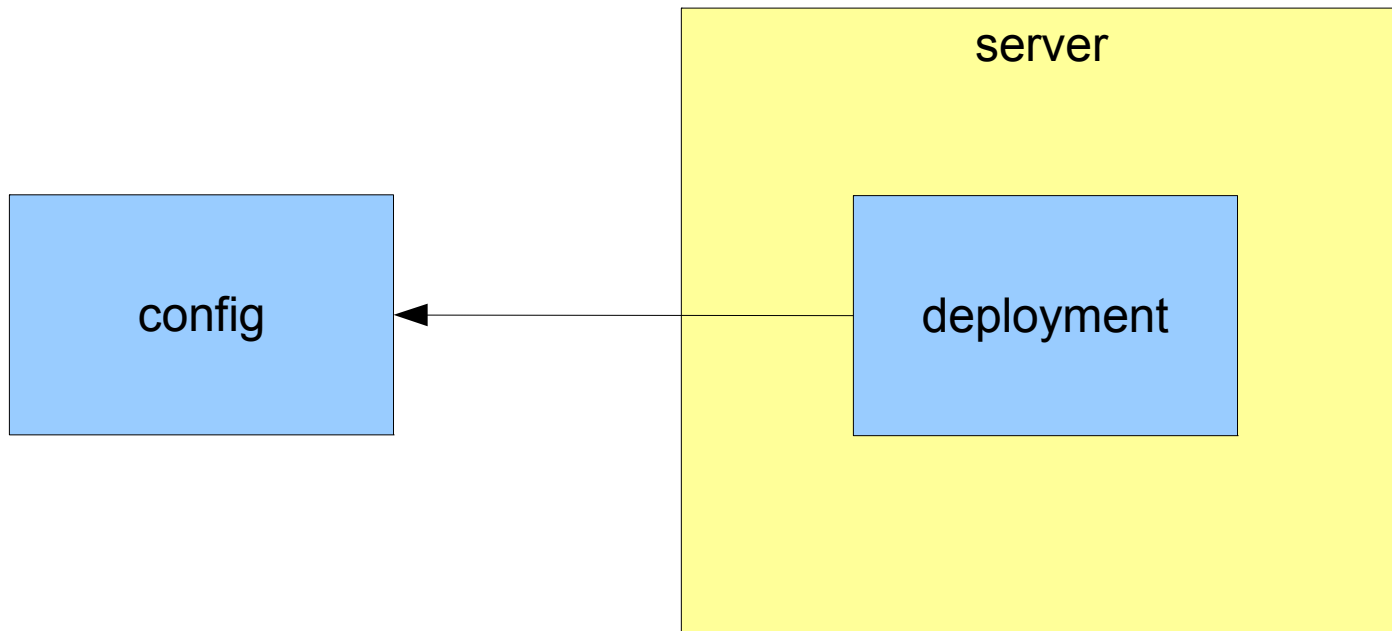
# Deployment resources

- Maps one config resource to one server resource
- Allows assignment of server-specific input values
- Remains in-progress until receiving completed signal
- Stores outputs for other resources to consume as resource attributes
- Can deploy on any heat action, not just CREATE, UPDATE
- Stores additional outputs from hook invocation
  - `stdin`, `stdout`, `status_code`

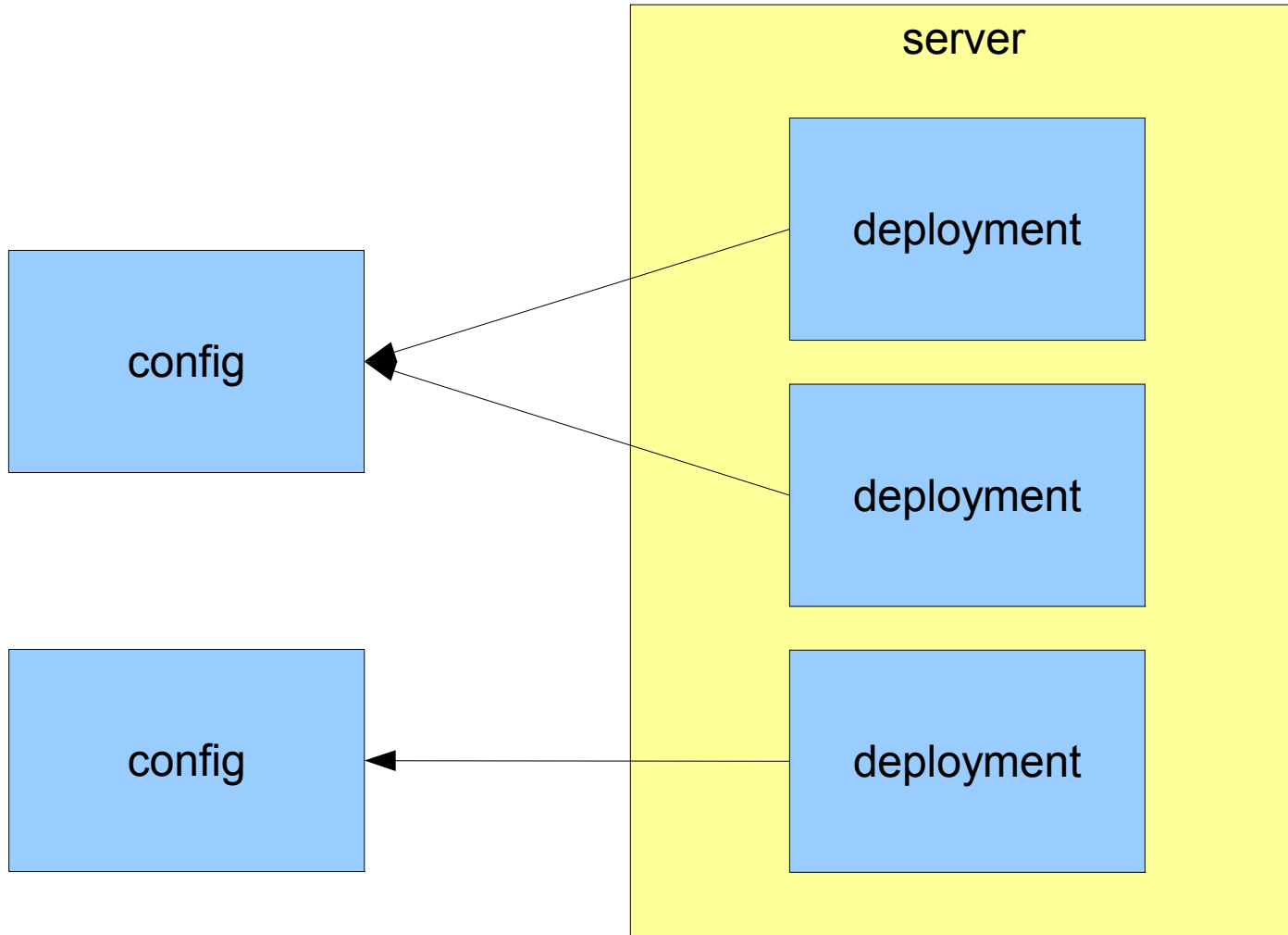
# Deployment illustrated



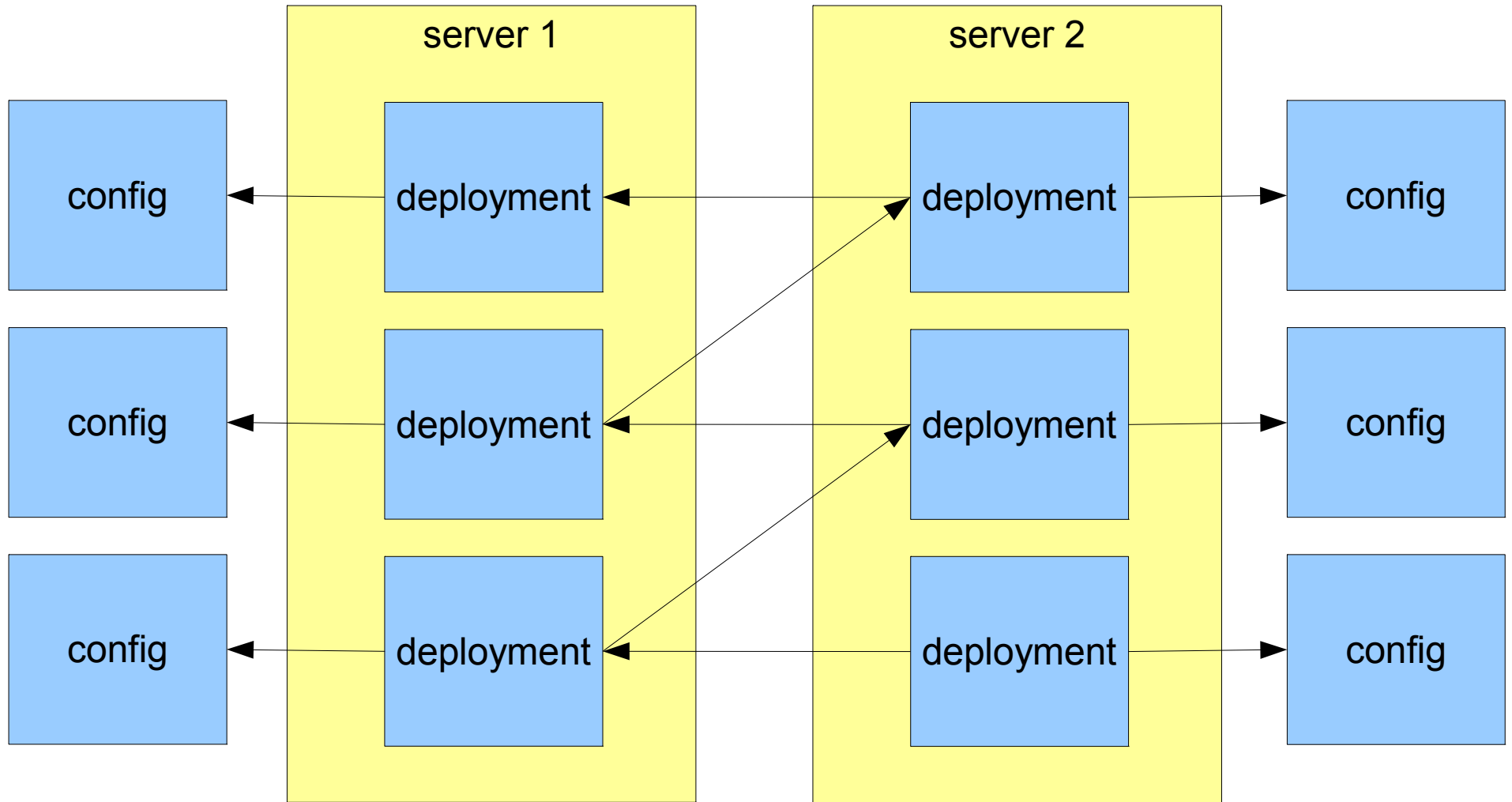
# Deployment illustrated



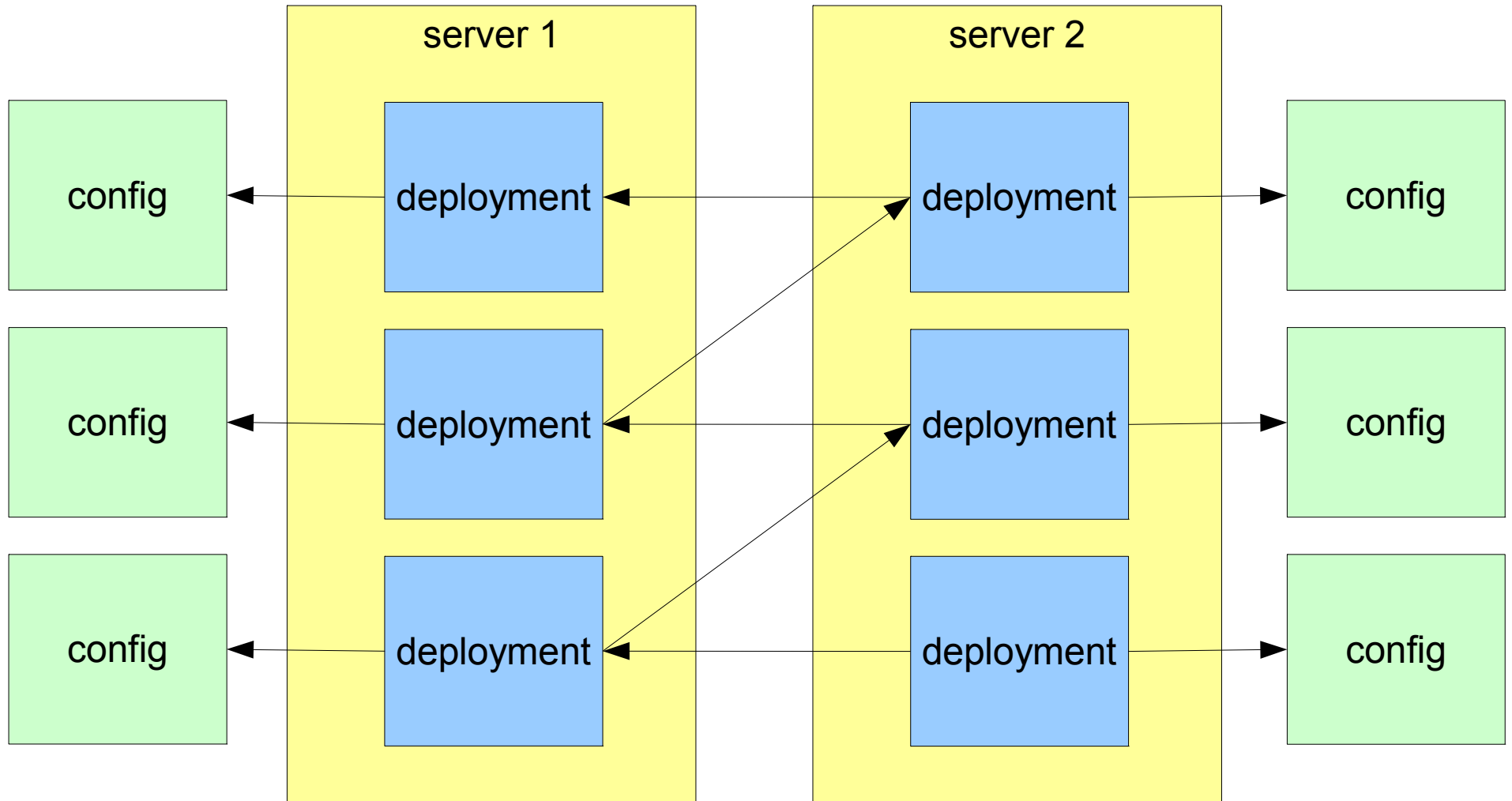
# Deployments illustrated



# Deployments illustrated

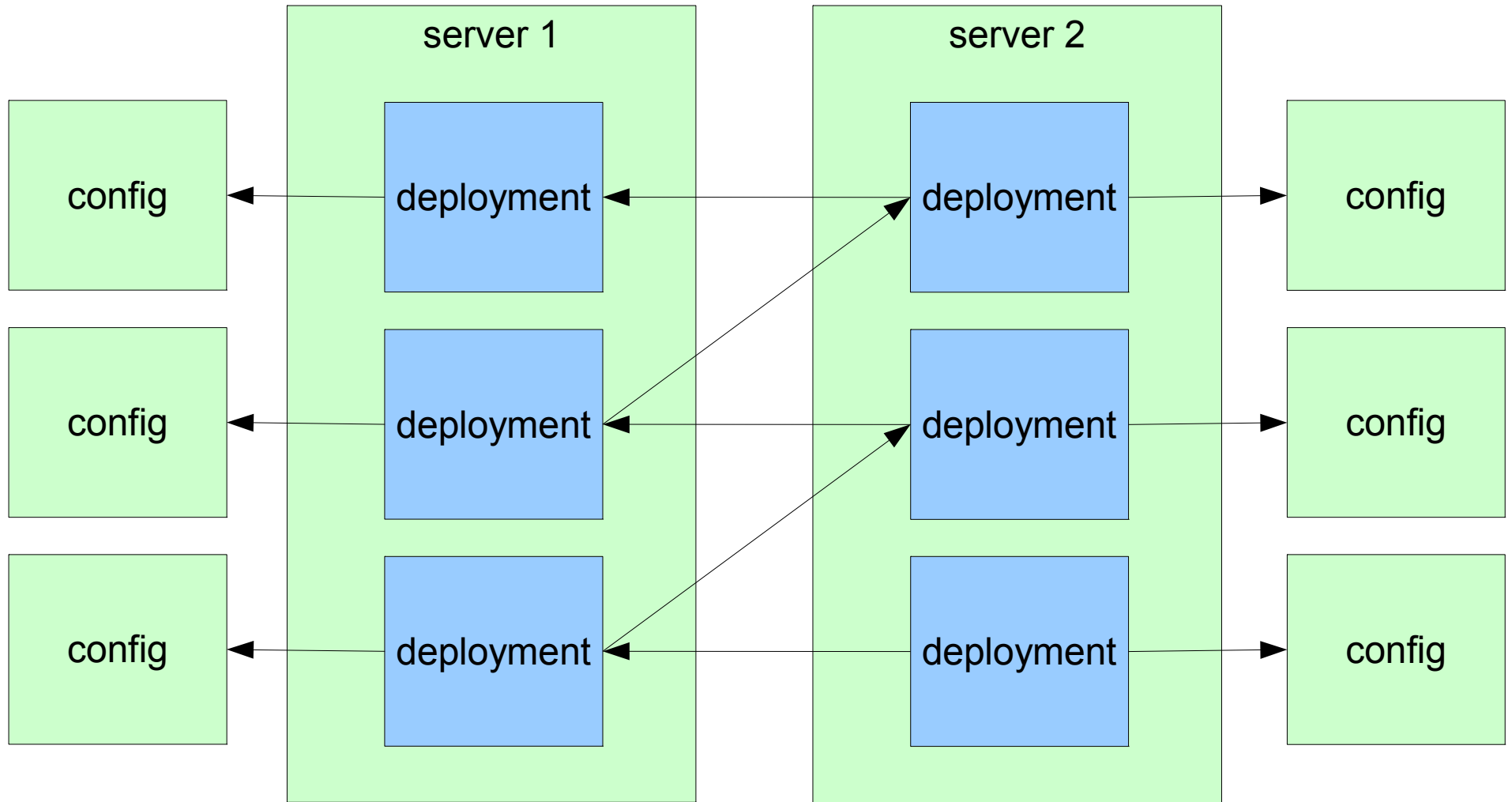


# Deployments illustrated

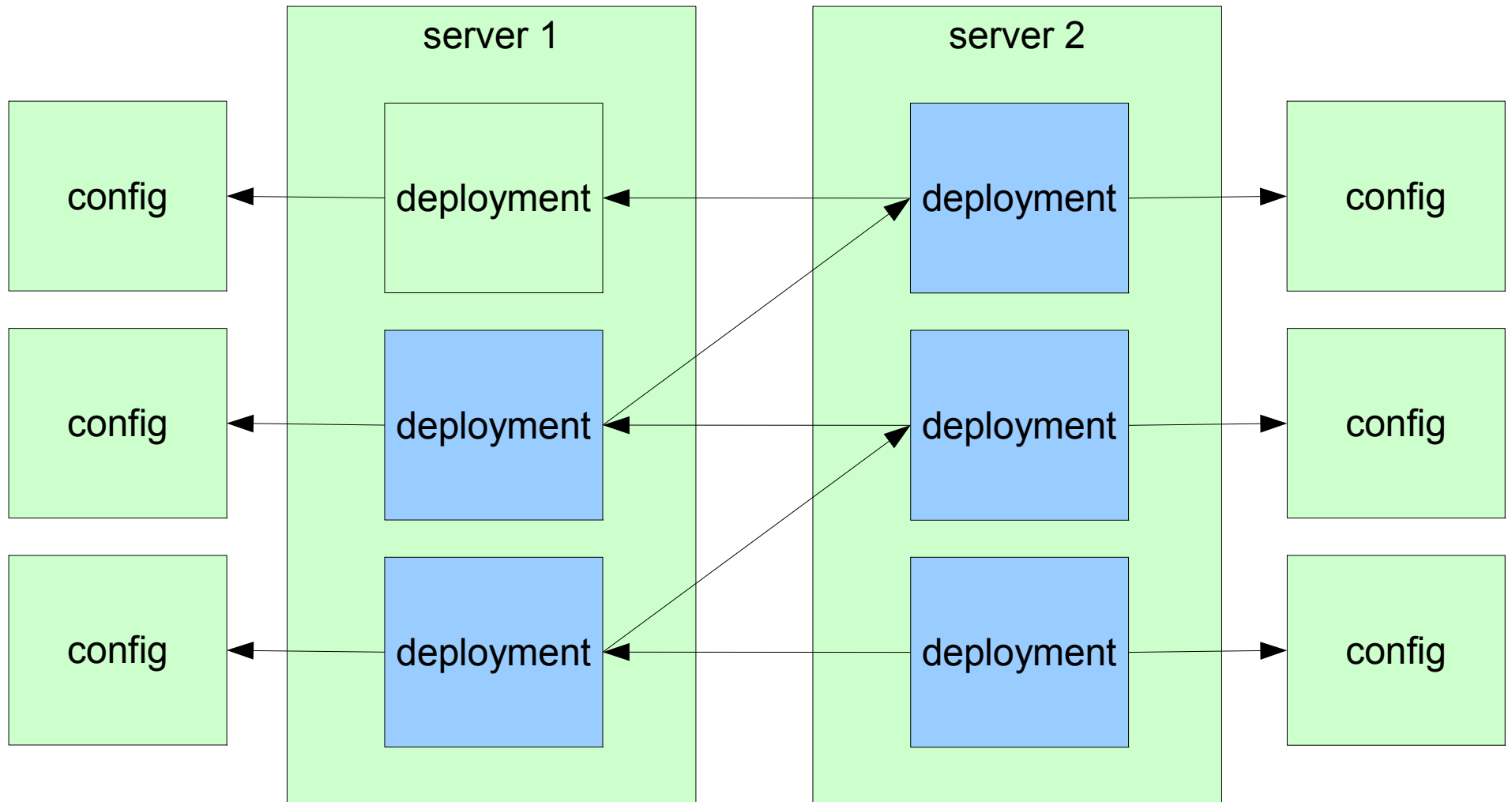




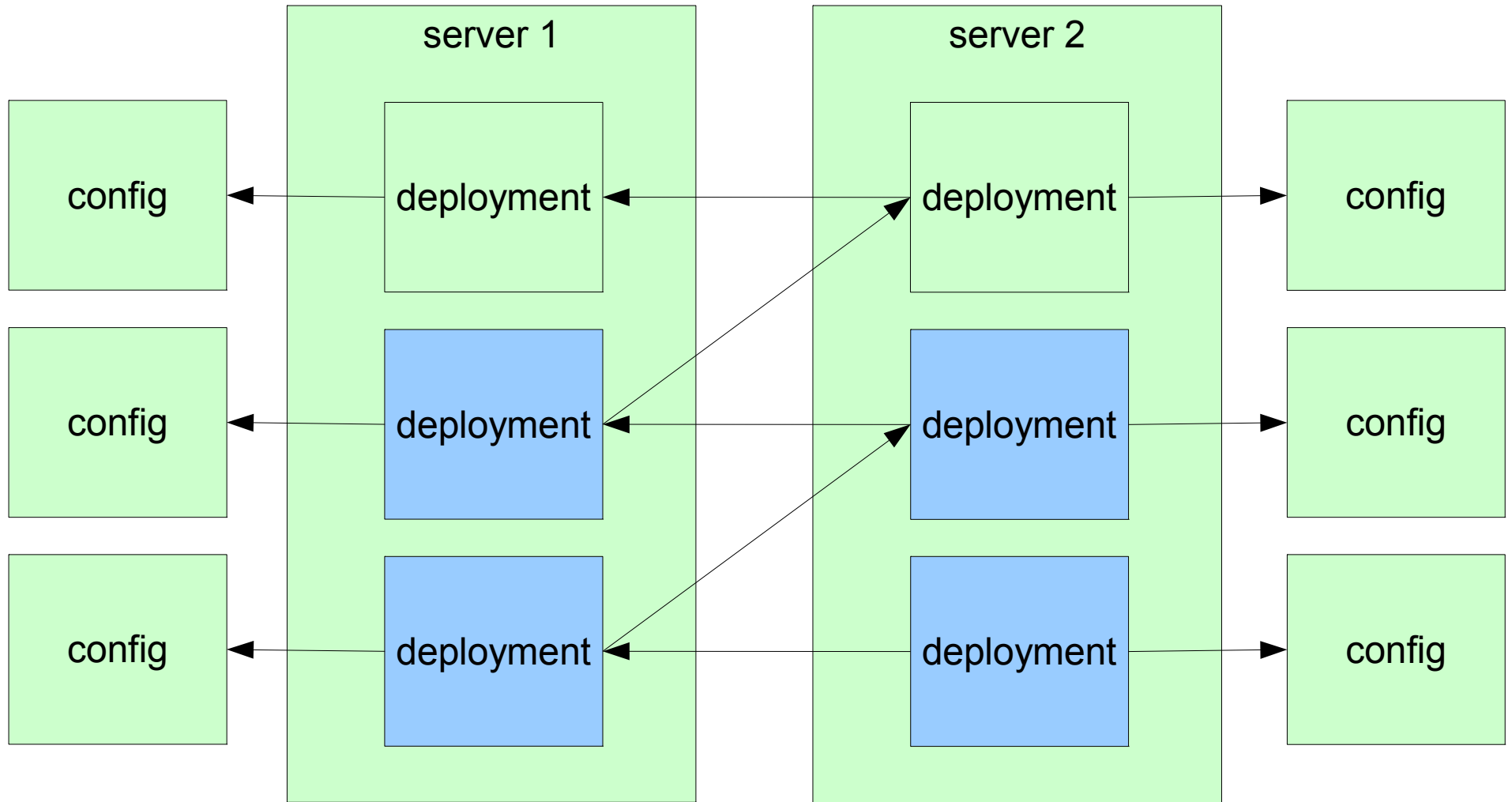
# Deployments illustrated



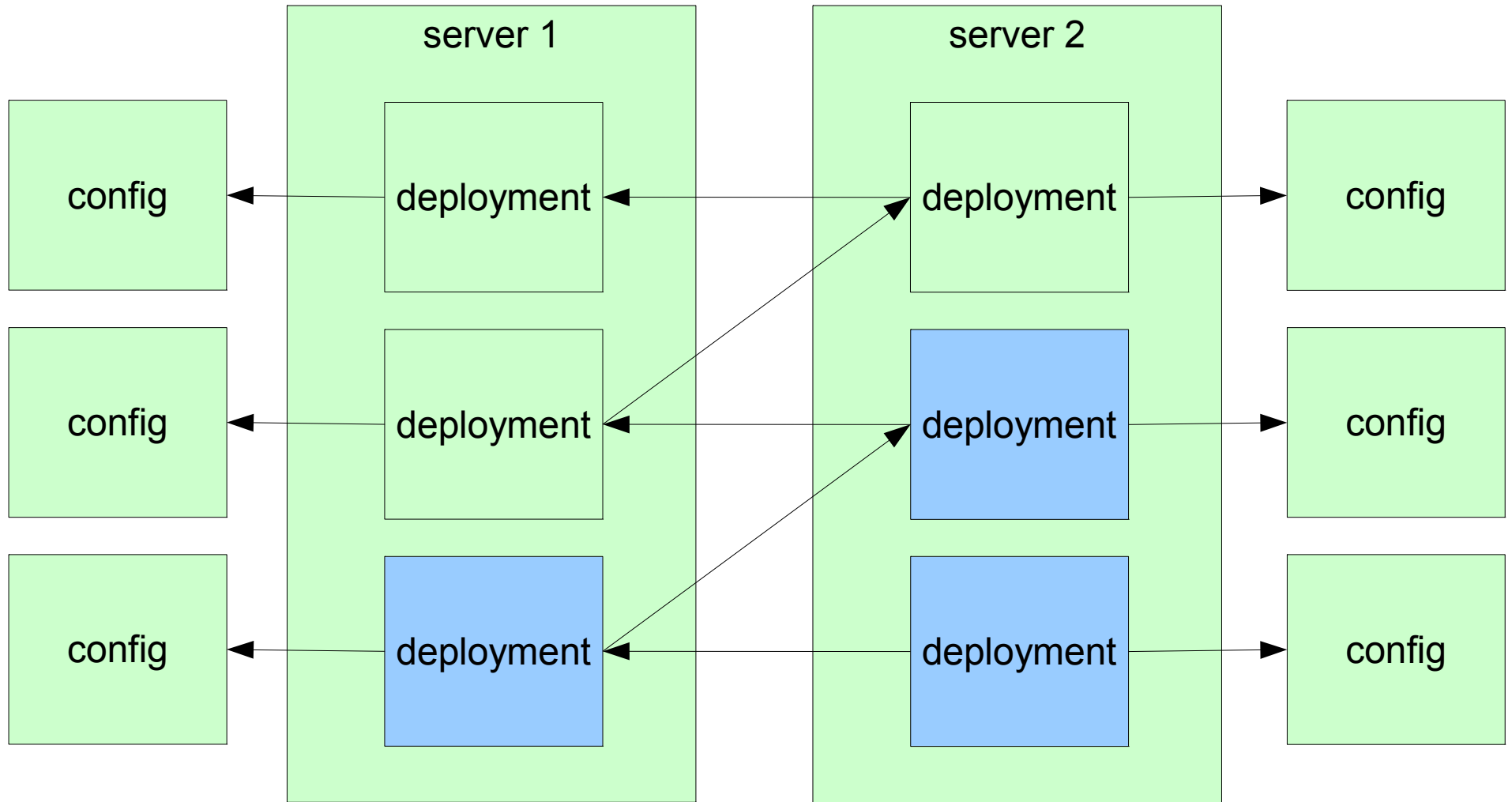
# Deployments illustrated



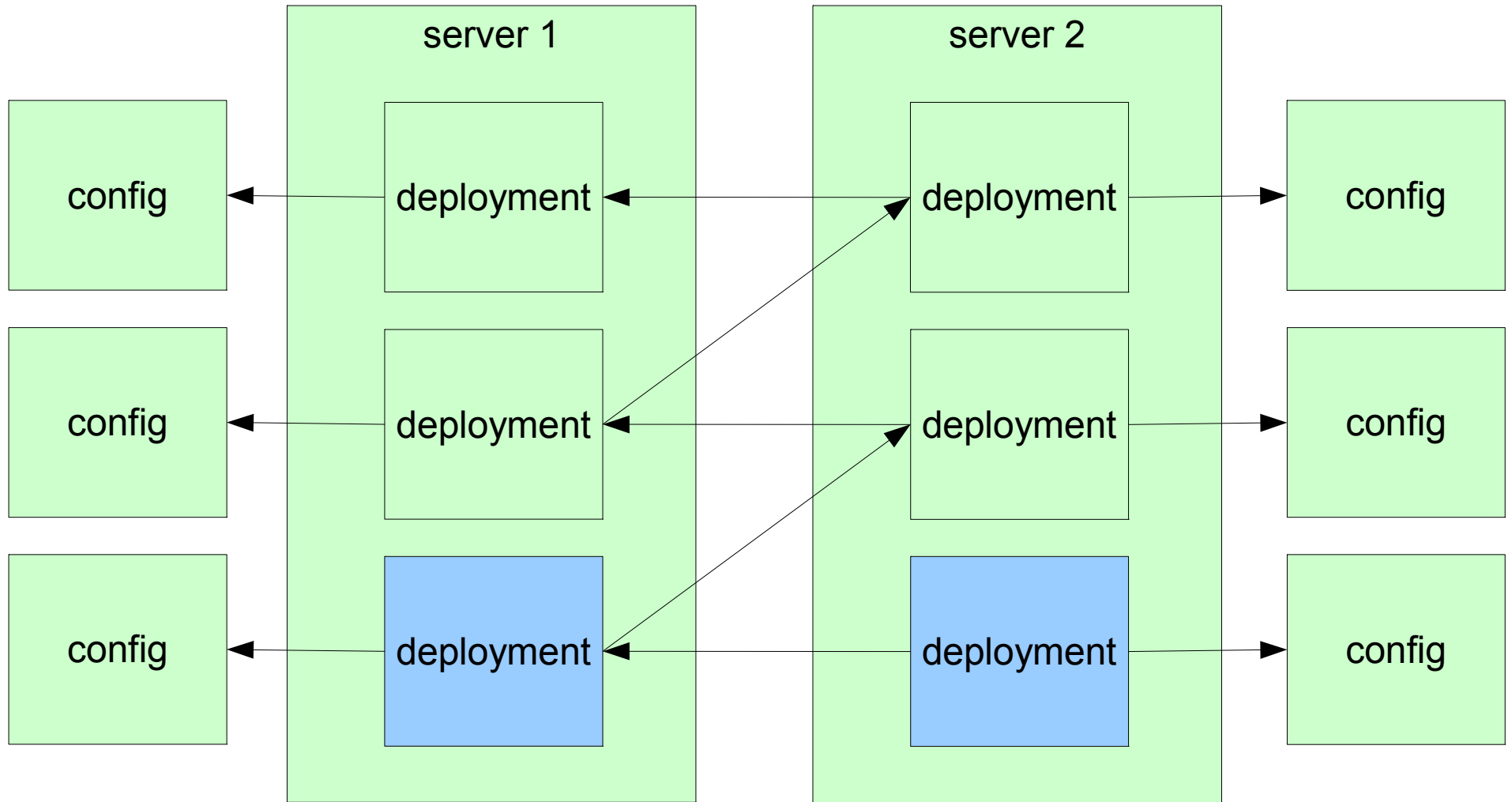
# Deployments illustrated



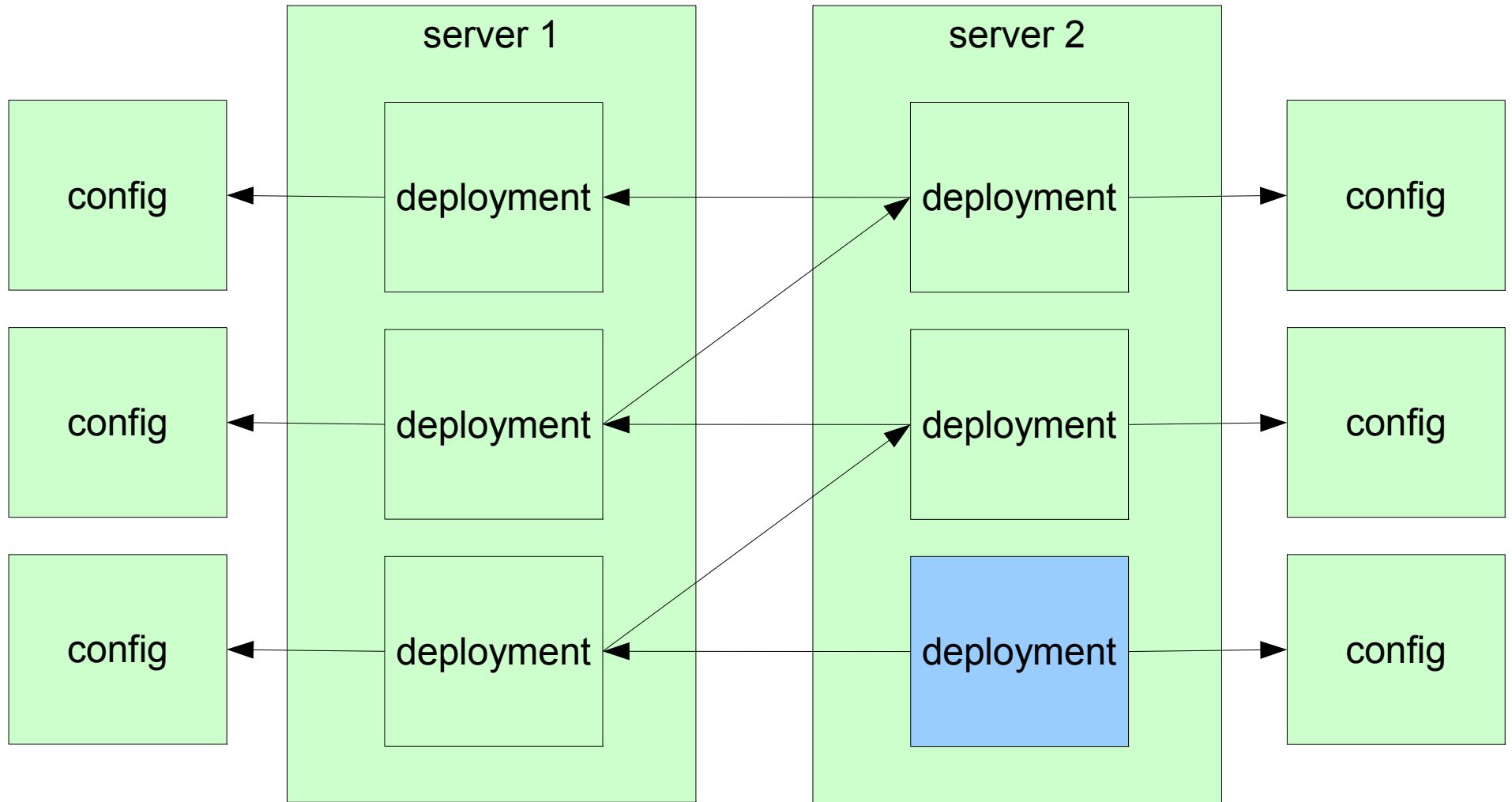
# Deployments illustrated



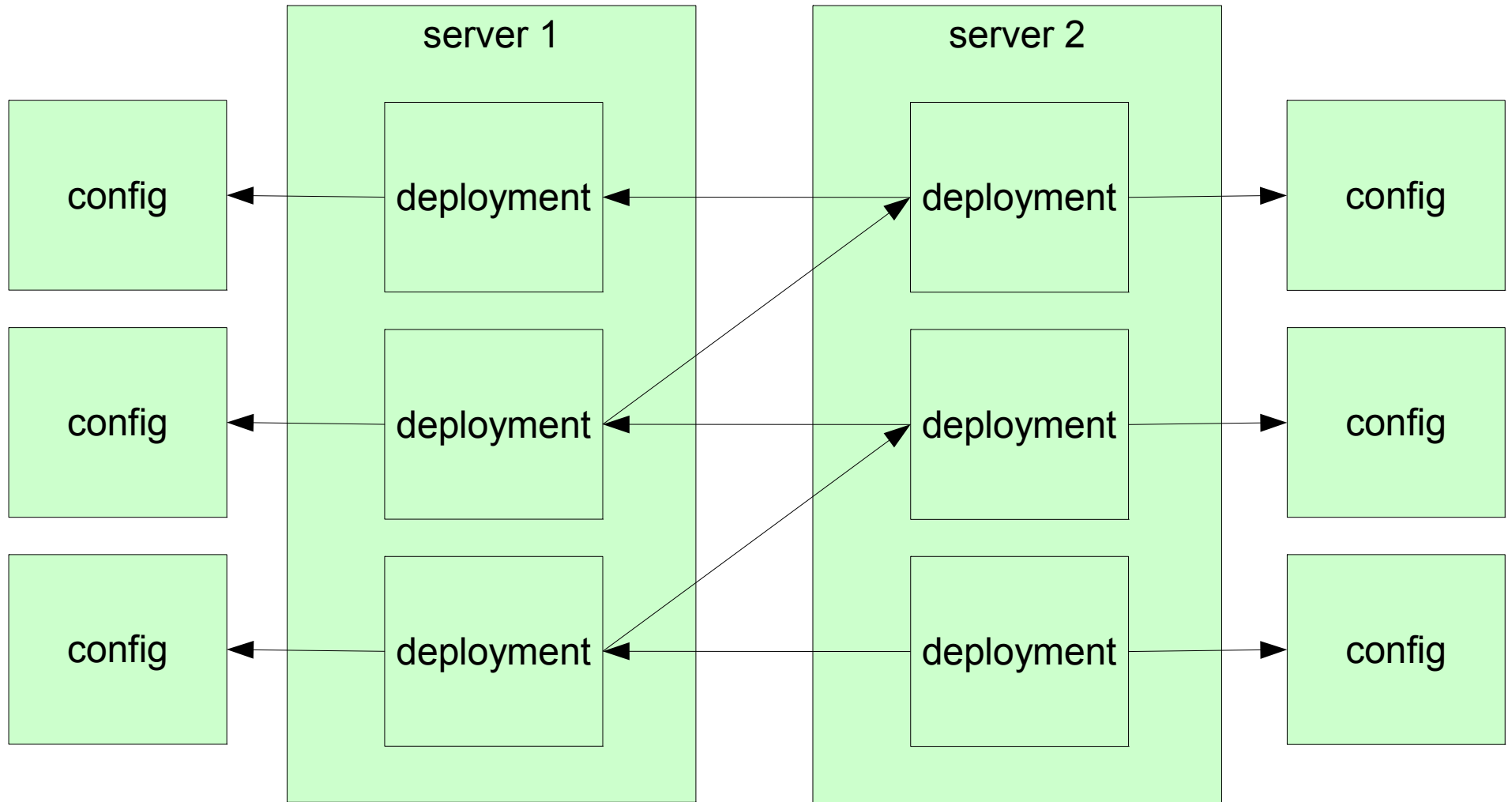
# Deployments illustrated



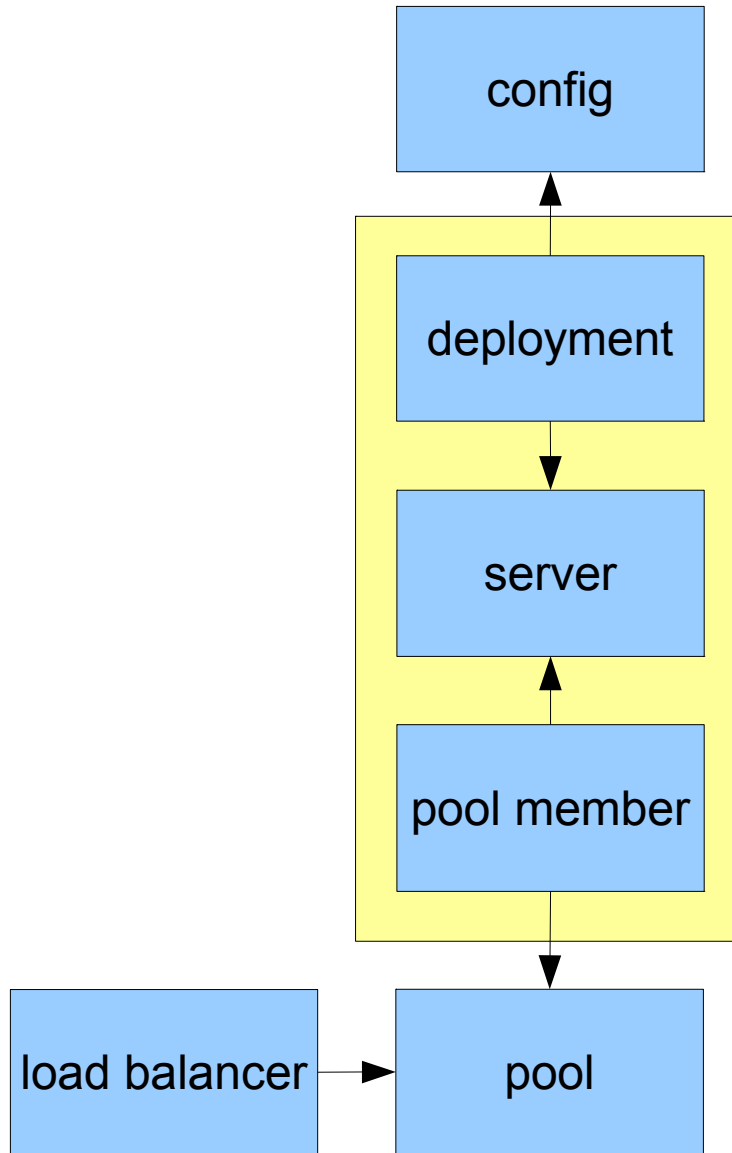
# Deployments illustrated



# Deployments illustrated

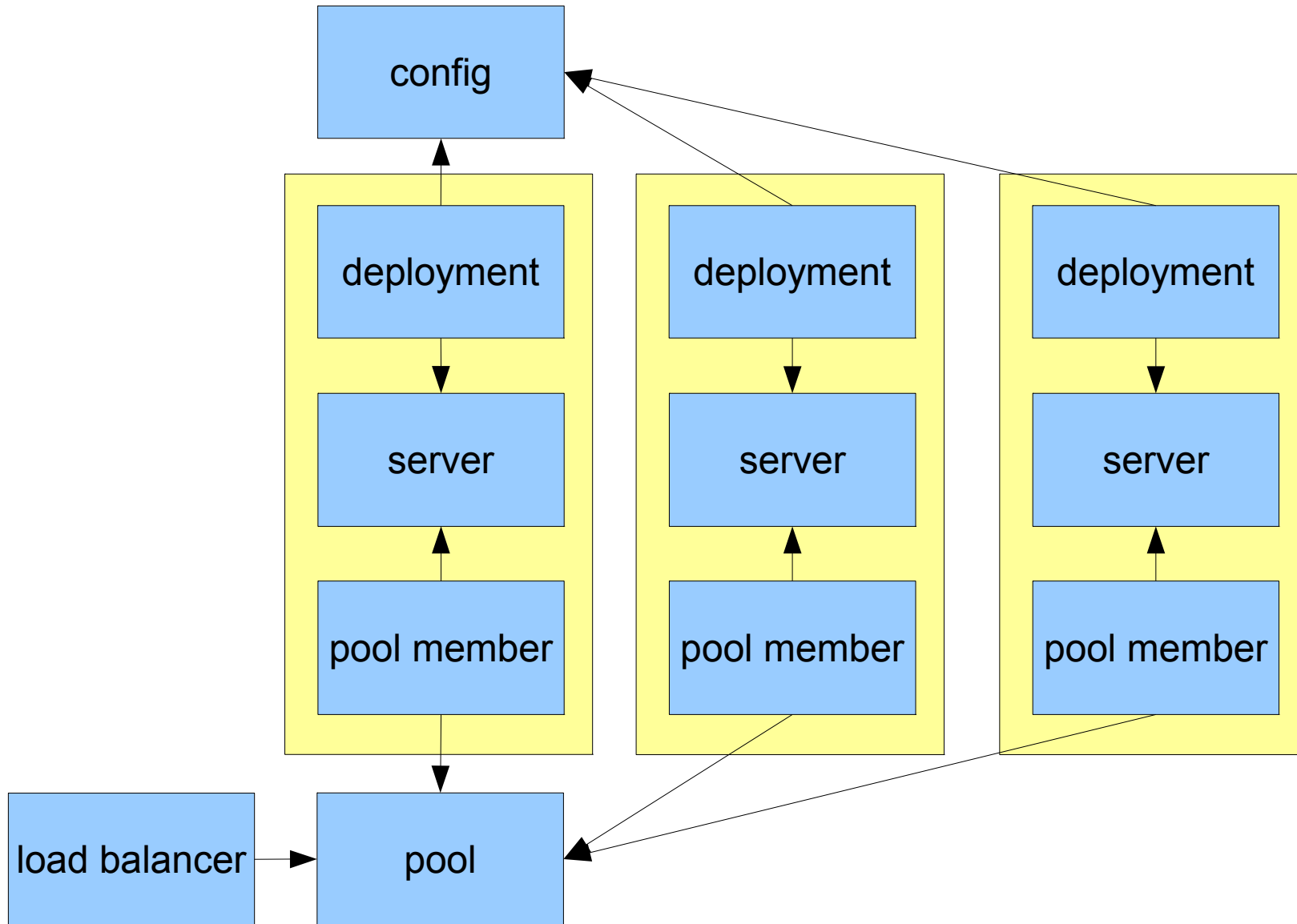


# Scaling deployments illustrated





# Scaling deployments illustrated



# Deployment extra inputs

- `deploy_server_id`
- `deploy_action`
- `deploy_stack_id`, `deploy_resource_name`
- `deploy_signal_id`
- `deploy_auth_url`, `deploy_username`, `deploy_password`,  
`deploy_project_id`, `deploy_user_id`

## **get\_file intrinsic function**

- python-heatclient fetches local files and URLs
- Contents of get\_file calls included in heat stack-create request
- Initial support for including binary files

# Script and cfn-init example

```
config:
  type: OS::Heat::StructuredConfig
  properties:
    group: cfn-init
    inputs:
      - name: bar
    config:
      config:
        files:
          /tmp/foo:
            content:
              get_input: bar
            mode: '000644'

check_tmp_foo:
  type: OS::Heat::SoftwareConfig
  properties:
    group: script
    outputs:
      - name: result
    config: {get_file: check_tmp_foo.sh}
```

```
deployment:
  type: OS::Heat::StructuredDeployment
  properties:
    name: 10_deployment
    signal_transport: NO_SIGNAL
    config:
      get_resource: config
    server:
      get_resource: server
    input_values:
      bar: baaaaa

deploy_check_tmp_foo:
  type: OS::Heat::SoftwareDeployment
  properties:
    name: 30_deploy_check_tmp_foo
    config:
      get_resource: check_tmp_foo
    server:
      get_resource: server
```

# Script and cfn-init example

```
server:  
  type: OS::Nova::Server  
  properties:  
    image: {get_param: image}  
    flavor: {get_param: flavor}  
    key_name: {get_param: key_name}  
    security_groups:  
      - {get_resource: the_sg}  
    user_data_format: SOFTWARE_CONFIG
```

```
#!/bin/sh  
echo -n "The file /tmp/foo contains `cat /tmp/foo` for server $deploy_server_id \  
during $deploy_action" > $heat_outputs_path.result
```

# Puppet example

config:

type: OS::Heat::SoftwareConfig

properties:

group: puppet

inputs:

- name: foo

- name: bar

outputs:

- name: result

config:

get\_file: puppet-manifest.pp

deployment:

type: OS::Heat::SoftwareDeployment

properties:

config:

get\_resource: config

server:

get\_resource: server

input\_values:

foo: fooooo

bar: baaaaa

# Puppet example

```
server:  
  type: OS::Nova::Server  
  properties:  
    image: {get_param: image}  
    flavor: {get_param: flavor}  
    key_name: {get_param: key_name}  
    security_groups:  
      - {get_resource: the_sg}  
    user_data_format: SOFTWARE_CONFIG
```

```
file {'barfile':  
  ensure => file,  
  mode   => 0644,  
  path   => "/tmp/${::bar}",  
  content => "${::foo}",  
}  
file {'output_result':  
  ensure => file,  
  path   => "${::heat_outputs_path}.result",  
  mode   => 0644,  
  content => "The file /tmp/${::bar} contains ${::foo}",  
}
```

# Image based example

## BlockStorageConfig:

type: OS::Heat::StructuredConfig

properties:

group: os-apply-config

config:

cinder:

db: {get\_input: cinder\_dsn}

volume\_size\_mb: '5000'

service-password:

get\_param: CinderPassword

iscsi-helper:

get\_param: CinderISCSIHelper

admin-password:

get\_param: AdminPassword

## BlockStorage0Deployment:

type: OS::Heat::StructuredDeployment

properties:

server: {get\_resource: BlockStorage0}

config: {get\_resource: BlockStorageConfig}

input\_values:

cinder\_dsn:

str\_replace:

template: |

mysql://cinder:unset@address/cinder

params:

address:

get\_attr:

- controller0

- networks

- ctlplane

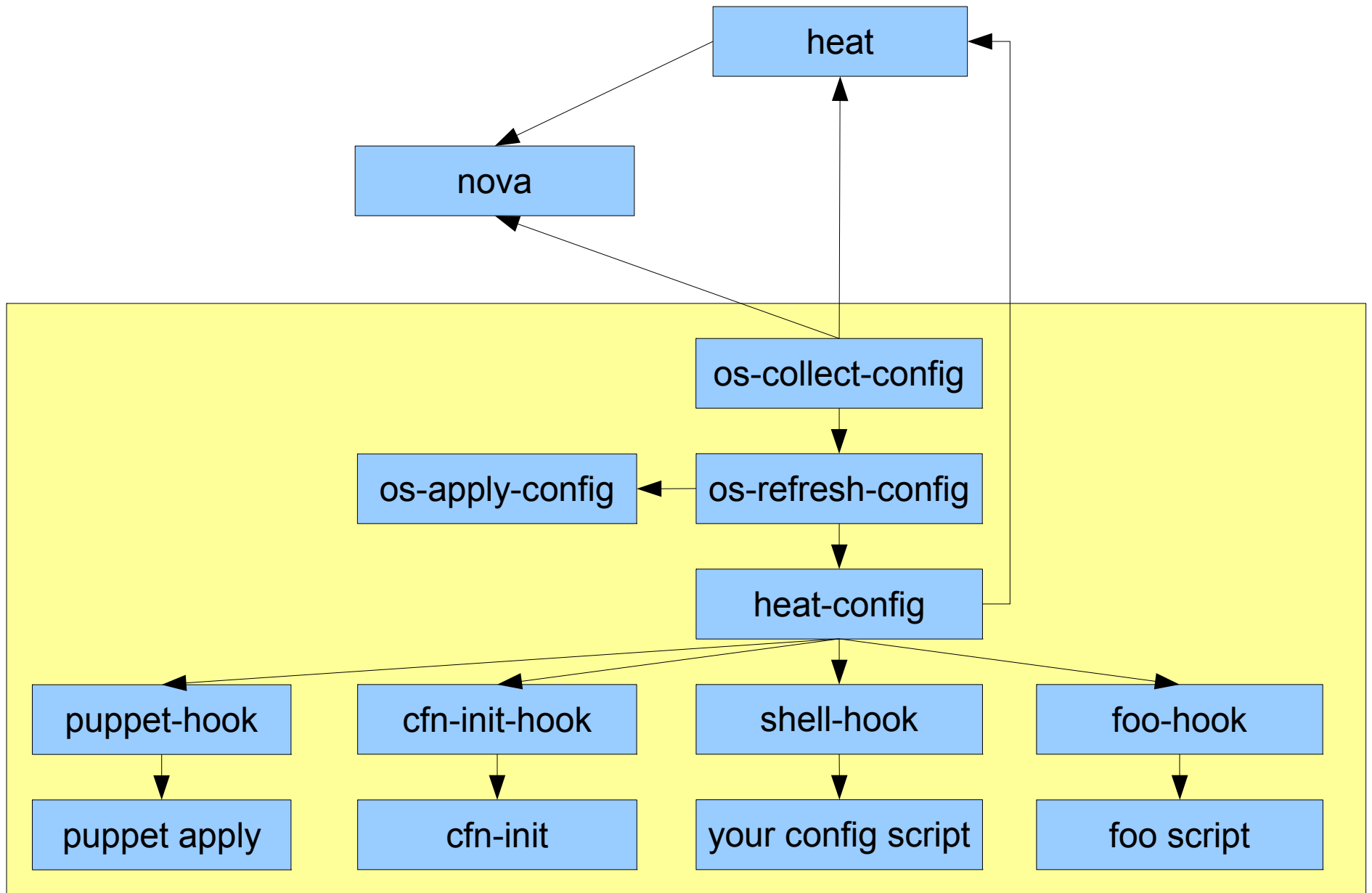
- 0



# Hooks

- Consumes JSON from stdin, writes JSON to stdout
- Invokes configuration script with a particular tool
- Maps config inputs to some tool-specific concepts, e.g.
  - Environment variables (scripts)
  - Facts (puppet)
- Discovers output values after config tool execution

# Hooks illustrated



# Available hooks

- Script
- cfn-init
- Puppet
- Golden image configuration (not actually a hook!)

# Hooks yet to write

- Chef
- Salt
- Ansible
- PowerShell

# Mapping config model to tools

tool	config	inputs	outputs	options
script	the script	environment variables	files	-
cfn-init	declarative yaml	heat get_input	-	-
puppet	manifest	facts	files	extra modules?
chef solo	cookbook or recipe	attributes	attributes?	databags? cookbooks?
salt standalone minion	SLS	pillar data	grains? custom returner?	-
ansible connection local	playbook	variables	return data?	-
powershell	ps1 scripts	variables	Out-File?	-
image based	config yaml	heat get_input	os-refresh-config curl calls	-

# Writing a hook

- Consumes JSON on stdin (inputs, script, options)
- Invokes the configuration tool to perform config
- Writes JSON to stdout (outputs)
- ~100 lines of python
- Contribute your hook to <https://github.com/openstack/heat-templates>

# Golden image requirements

- os-collect-config
- os-refresh-config
- os-apply-config
- heat-config os-refresh-config scripts
- Hook for your chosen configuration tool
- Actual configuration tool

# diskimage-builder for building disk images

```
git clone https://git.openstack.org/openstack/diskimage-builder.git
git clone https://git.openstack.org/openstack/tripleo-image-elements.git
git clone https://git.openstack.org/openstack/heat-templates.git
```

```
export ELEMENTS_PATH=\
tripleo-image-elements/elements:\
heat-templates/hot/software-config/elements
```

```
diskimage-builder/bin/disk-image-create vm \  
  fedora \  
  heat-config \  
  os-collect-config \  
  os-refresh-config \  
  os-apply-config \  
  heat-config-script \  
  heat-config-cfn-init \  
  -o fedora-software-config.qcow2
```

```
glance image-create --disk-format qcow2 --container-format bare \  
  --name fedora-software-config < \  
  fedora-software-config.qcow2
```



# Whither the master configuration server?

- Heat *can* be the central source of truth, no master required
- No need for the complexity of syncing heat<->master, unless you really want to ;)
- ...or, minimal heat config could be used to hand off server to a config master

# Planned improvements

- Other techniques for heat <-> server communication
  - Swift
  - Marconi
  - Servers in isolated tenant networks
- Action-aware config resource for alignment with TOSCA
- *Moar hooks* (chef, salt, ansible, powershell...)
- Docker integration
- Windows support
- Deployments for shutdown in nova rebuild, reboot



# Questions?



[sbaker@redhat.com](mailto:sbaker@redhat.com)

<https://wiki.openstack.org/wiki/Heat>