

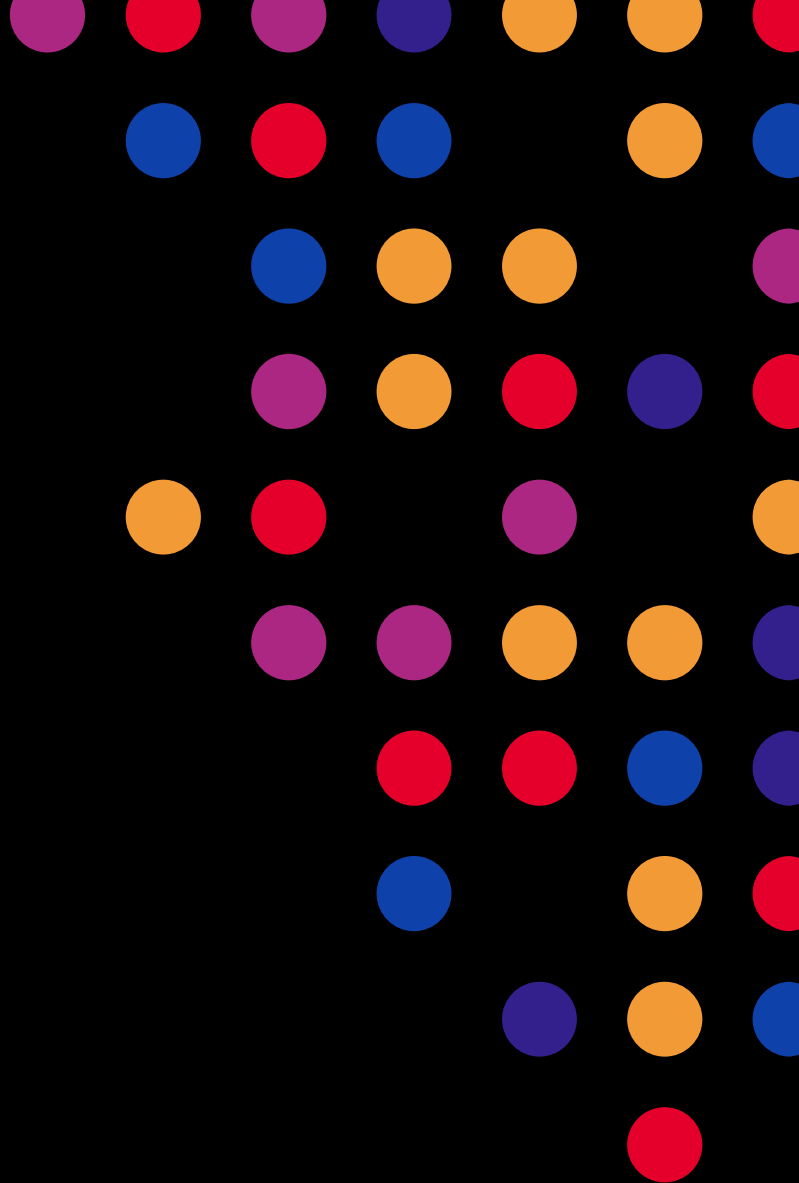


# F5 NGINX Plus Ingress Controller as an API Gateway for Kubernetes

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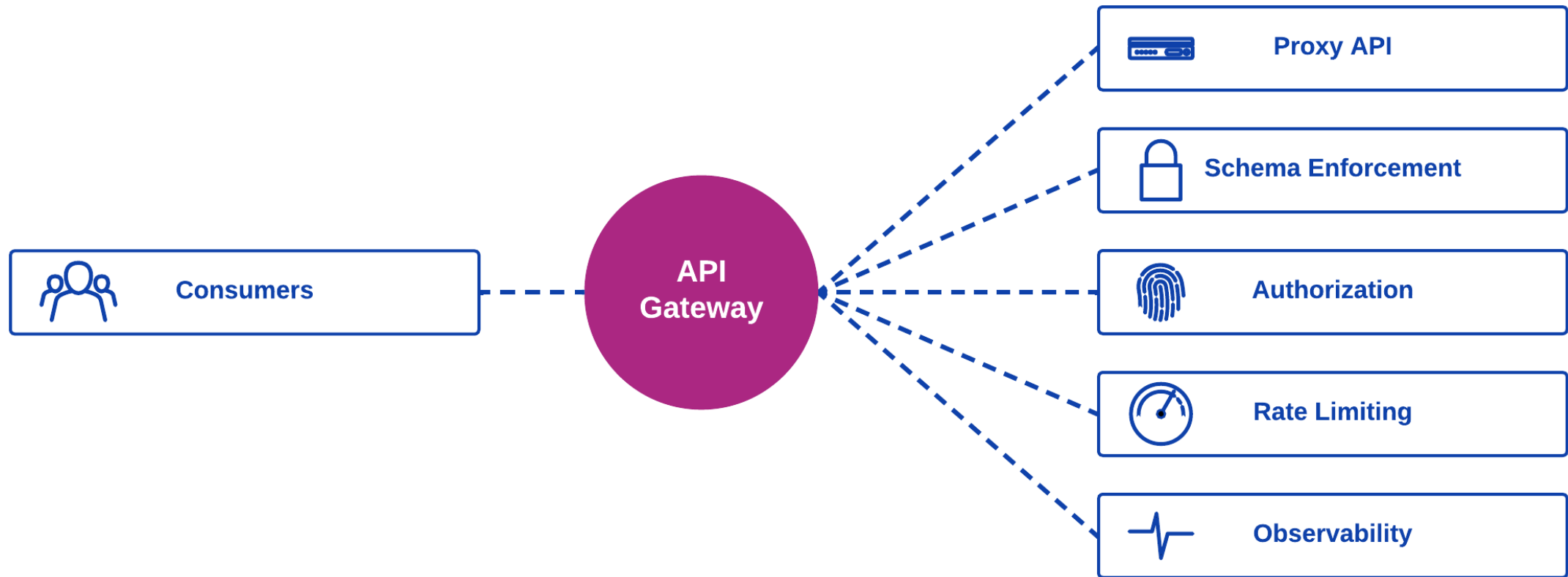
# Lab Documentation

<https://clouddocs.f5.com/training/community/nginx/html/class11/class11.html>



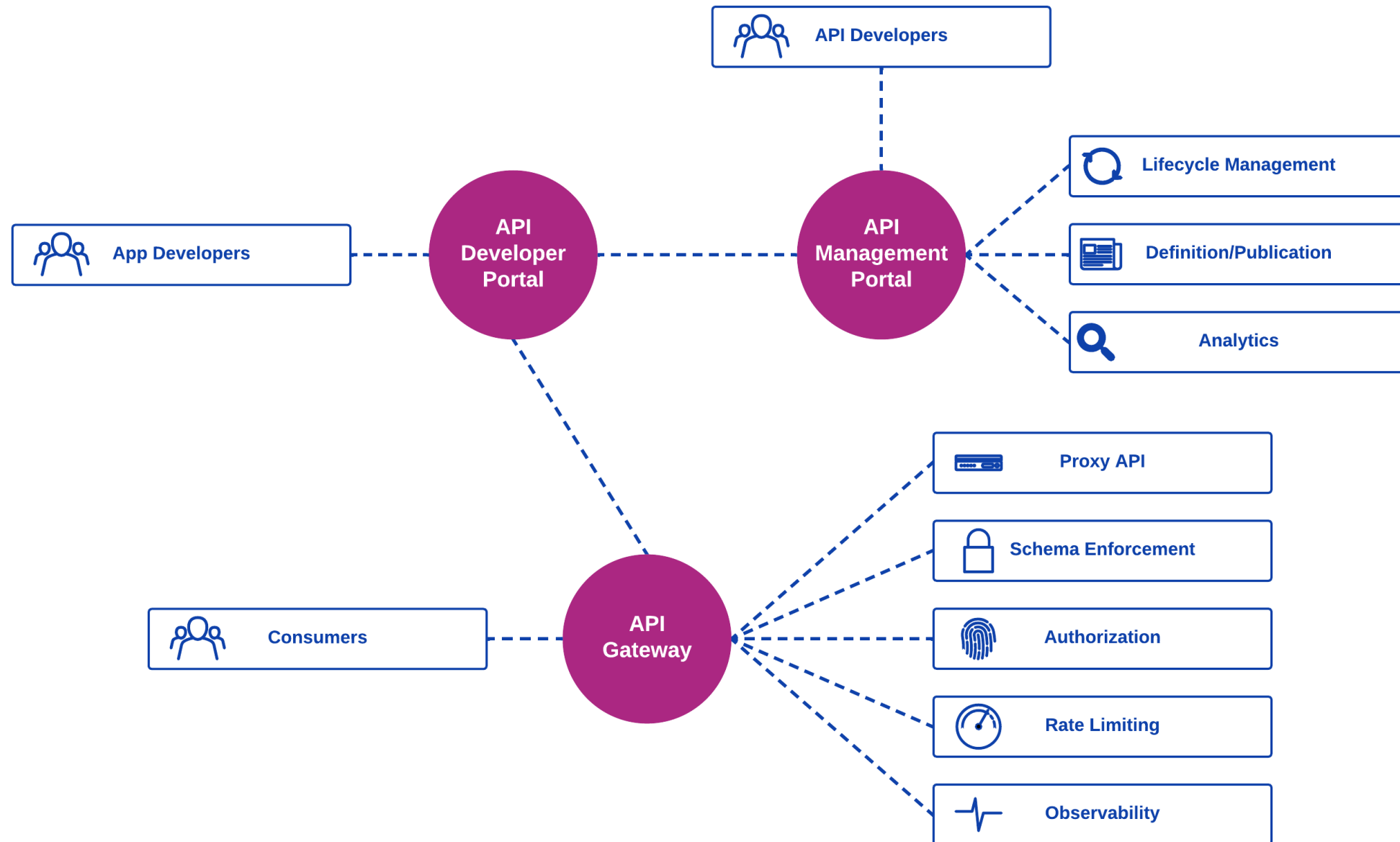
# What is an Application Programming Interface (API) Gateway?

A collection of common performance, security, and visibility services required to put an API in production



# What about *API Management*?

Every API needs an API Gateway, few require API Management



# Common API Formats?

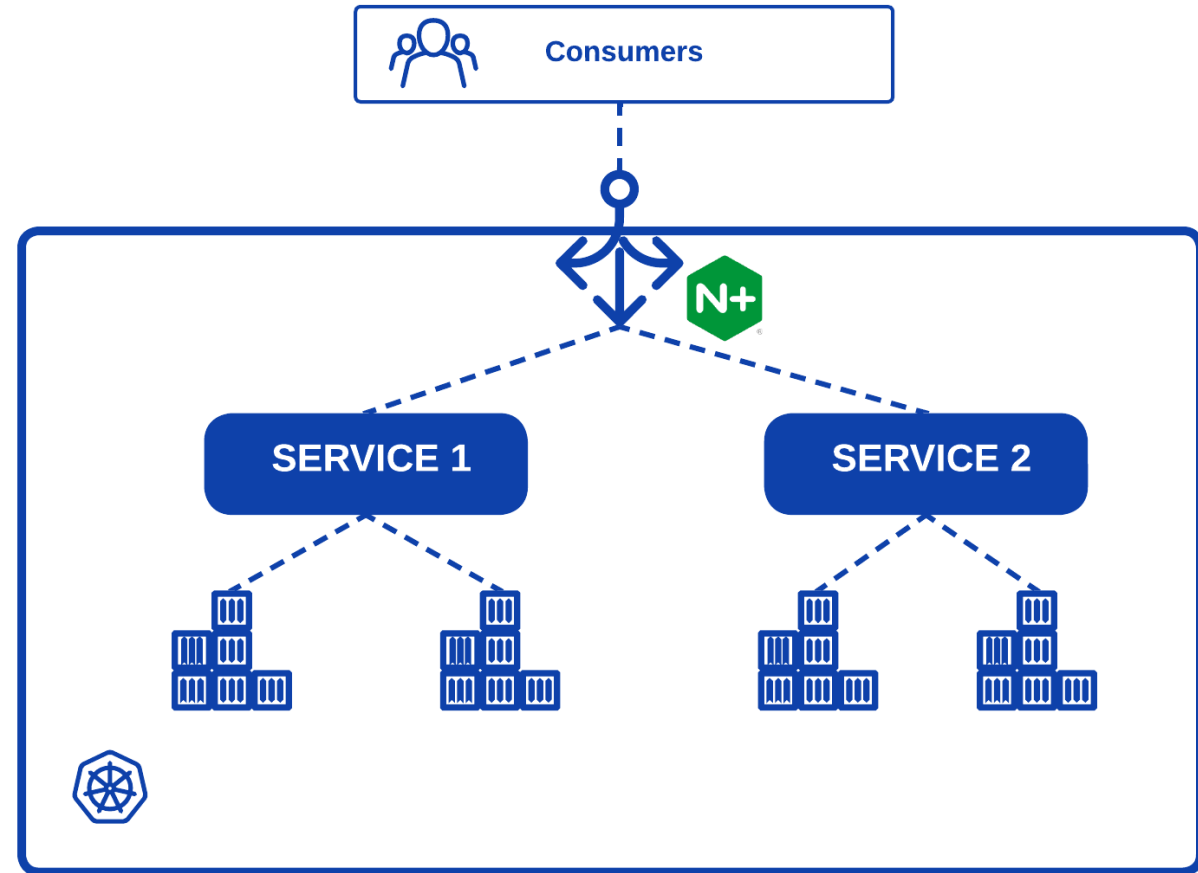
REST APIs are still the most common

API Format	Transport	Data Format	Features
SOAP	Many	XML	RPC, hierarchically structured, security built in, transport independent, relatively complex
REST	HTTP	JSON, XML	<b>HTTP methods (eg GET, POST) to query and update data, multiple URLs represent the resources, schemas supported with OpenAPI spec</b>
gRPC	HTTP/2	Protocol Buffers	RPC, strongly typed, schema based, high performance, microservices
graphql	HTTP, WebSockets	JSON	Query language for APIs, schemas define static types, get exactly what you ask for, single endpoint (/graphql), no versioning, client-server

# API Gateway Deployment Models

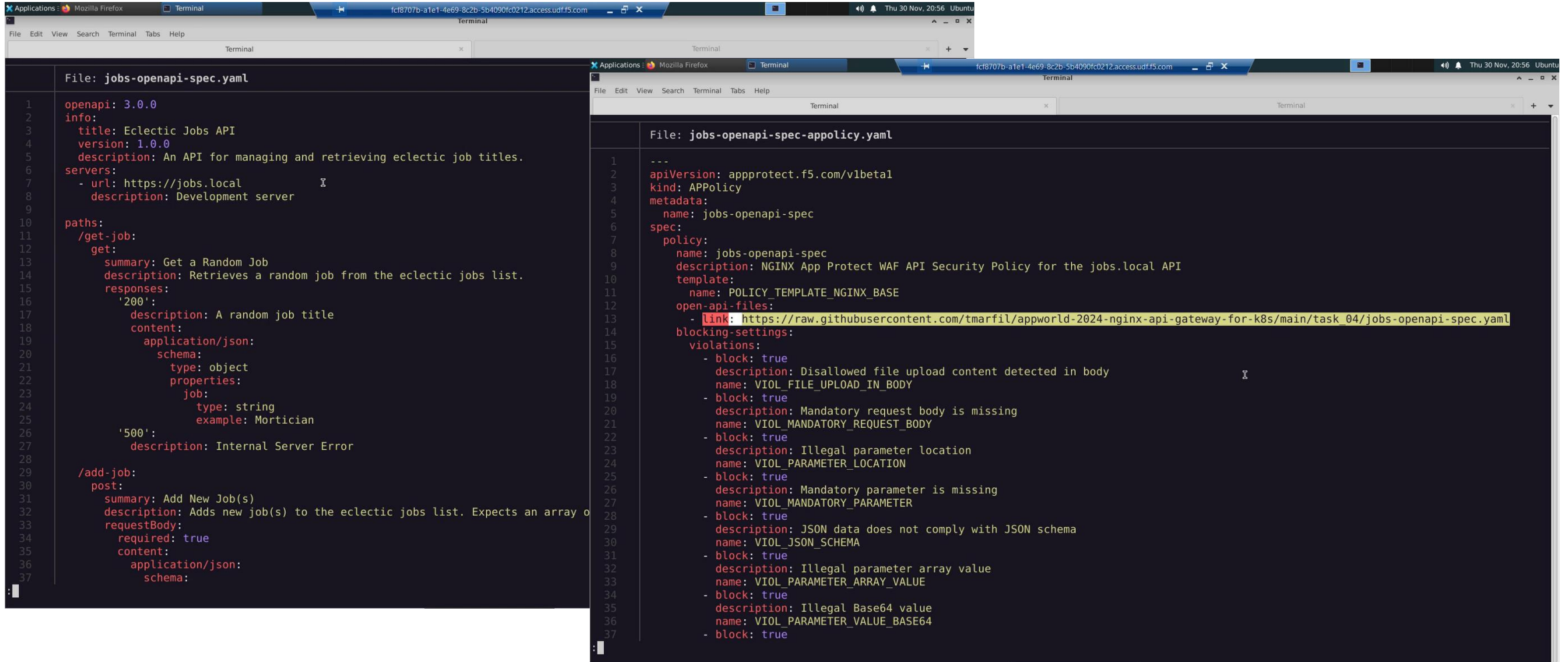
NGINX Plus Ingress is the natural home for many API Gateway use cases

- Standalone physical or virtual proxy such as F5 BIG-IP or NGINX Plus
- SAAS such as F5 Distributed Cloud (XC)
- Kubernetes-hosted alongside the microservices that make up an API



# OpenAPI Schema Enforcement

Prevent abuse. Ensure all API requests conform to a predefined schema.



The image displays two terminal windows side-by-side, showing the configuration of an OpenAPI schema and its enforcement via AppPolicy.

**Left Terminal (File: jobs-openapi-spec.yaml):**

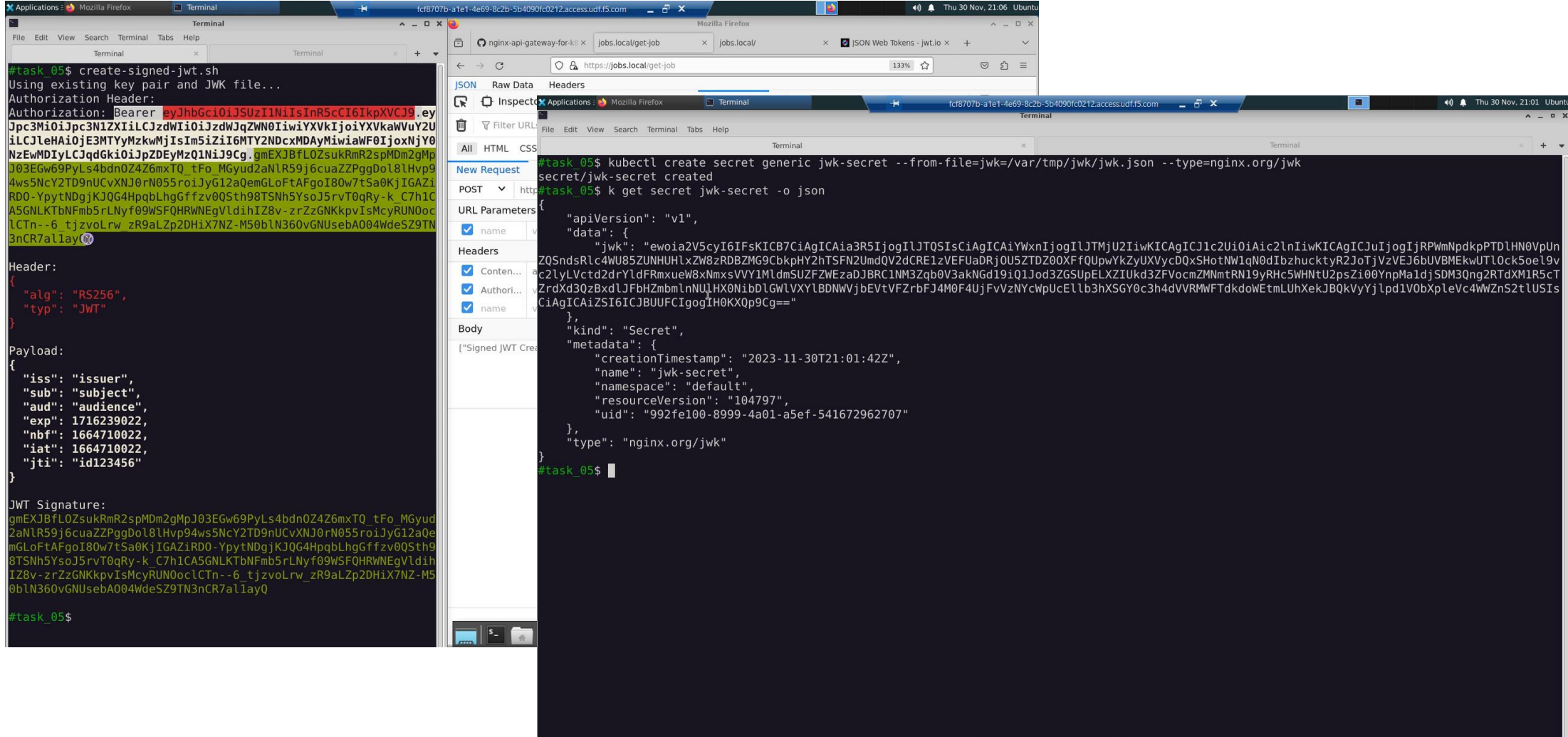
```
1 openapi: 3.0.0
2 info:
3   title: Eclectic Jobs API
4   version: 1.0.0
5   description: An API for managing and retrieving eclectic job titles.
6 servers:
7   - url: https://jobs.local
8     description: Development server
9
10 paths:
11   /get-job:
12     get:
13       summary: Get a Random Job
14       description: Retrieves a random job from the eclectic jobs list.
15       responses:
16         '200':
17           description: A random job title
18           content:
19             application/json:
20               schema:
21                 type: object
22                 properties:
23                   job:
24                     type: string
25                     example: Mortician
26         '500':
27           description: Internal Server Error
28
29   /add-job:
30     post:
31       summary: Add New Job(s)
32       description: Adds new job(s) to the eclectic jobs list. Expects an array of
33       requestBody:
34         required: true
35         content:
36           application/json:
37             schema:
```

**Right Terminal (File: jobs-openapi-spec-apppolicy.yaml):**

```
1 ---
2 apiVersion: appprotect.f5.com/v1beta1
3 kind: APPolicy
4 metadata:
5   name: jobs-openapi-spec
6 spec:
7   policy:
8     name: jobs-openapi-spec
9     description: NGINX App Protect WAF API Security Policy for the jobs.local API
10    template:
11      name: POLICY_TEMPLATE_NGINX_BASE
12    open-api-files:
13      - link: https://raw.githubusercontent.com/tmarfil/appworld-2024-nginx-api-gateway-for-k8s/main/task_04/jobs-openapi-spec.yaml
14    blocking-settings:
15      violations:
16        - block: true
17          description: Disallowed file upload content detected in body
18          name: VIOL_FILE_UPLOAD_IN_BODY
19        - block: true
20          description: Mandatory request body is missing
21          name: VIOL_MANDATORY_REQUEST_BODY
22        - block: true
23          description: Illegal parameter location
24          name: VIOL_PARAMETER_LOCATION
25        - block: true
26          description: Mandatory parameter is missing
27          name: VIOL_MANDATORY_PARAMETER
28        - block: true
29          description: JSON data does not comply with JSON schema
30          name: VIOL_JSON_SCHEMA
31        - block: true
32          description: Illegal parameter array value
33          name: VIOL_PARAMETER_ARRAY_VALUE
34        - block: true
35          description: Illegal Base64 value
36          name: VIOL_PARAMETER_VALUE_BASE64
37        - block: true
```

# Authorization

## Authorize users at the API Gateway by validating JSON Web Tokens.





# Rate Limiting

Ensure fair use of an API by rate limiting requests per user.

The screenshot displays a terminal window and a code editor. The terminal shows the command `bat rate-limit-policy.yaml` being executed, and the code editor shows the contents of the `rate-limit-policy.yaml` file. The configuration is for a Kubernetes ingress policy named `rate-limit-policy` in the `default` namespace. It defines a rate limit of 10 requests per second (10r/s) with a zone size of 10M. The policy is applied to the `/get-job` endpoint. The upstream is `eclectic-jobs-upstream` on port 3000. The policy is named `rate-limit-policy` and is applied to the `/get-job` endpoint. The upstream is `eclectic-jobs-upstream` on port 3000. The policy is named `rate-limit-policy` and is applied to the `/get-job` endpoint.

```
#task_06$ bat rate-limit-policy.yaml
File: rate-limit-policy.yaml
1  apiVersion: k8s.nginx.org/v1
2  kind: Policy
3  metadata:
4    name: rate-limit-policy
5  spec:
6    rateLimit:
7      rate: 10r/s
8      zoneSize: 10M
9      key: ${http_authorization}
10     rejectCode: 429
11
#task_06$
```

```
6  spec:
7    host: jobs.local
8    tls:
9      secret: jobs-local-tls # replace with your actual secret name
10   redirect:
11     enable: true           # Enable automatic HTTP to HTTPS redirection
12     code: 301              # Redirect with HTTP status code 301 (Moved Permanently)
13     basedOn: scheme        # Redirect based on the scheme of the request
14   upstreams:
15     - name: myapp-upstream
16       service: myapp
17       port: 3000
18     - name: eclectic-jobs-upstream
19       service: eclectic-jobs
20       port: 3000
21   routes:
22     - path: /
23       action:
24         pass: myapp-upstream
25     - path: /index.html
26       action:
27         pass: myapp-upstream
28     - path: /get-job
29       policies:
30         - name: rate-limit-policy
31           namespace: default
32       action:
33         proxy:
34           upstream: eclectic-jobs-upstream
35           rewritePath: /
36     - path: /add-job
37       policies:
38         - name: jwt-policy
39           namespace: default
40         - name: app-protect-policy
41           namespace: default
42       action:
43         pass: eclectic-jobs-upstream
44
(END)
```



