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Solving the Service Mesh Adopter's Dilemma



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Distributed systems management is hard

Particularly without openly governed, enterprise-grade management software



Physical networking is difficult.



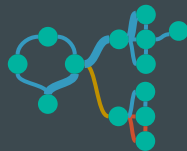
Cloud native networking is even more challenging.



Networking is unfamiliar to developers and operators.



Networking has never been more significant to developers and operators.



And it's only getting more complex between cloud **and** edge infrastructure



Production-ready
Announced



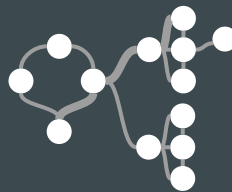
Containers

6.5 years ago
8.5 years ago



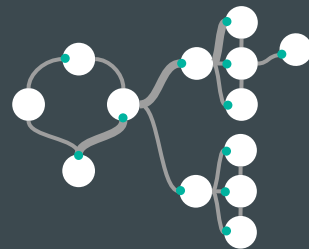
Orchestrators

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Meshes

3.5 years ago
4.5 years ago



WebAssembly

1 year ago
2 years ago

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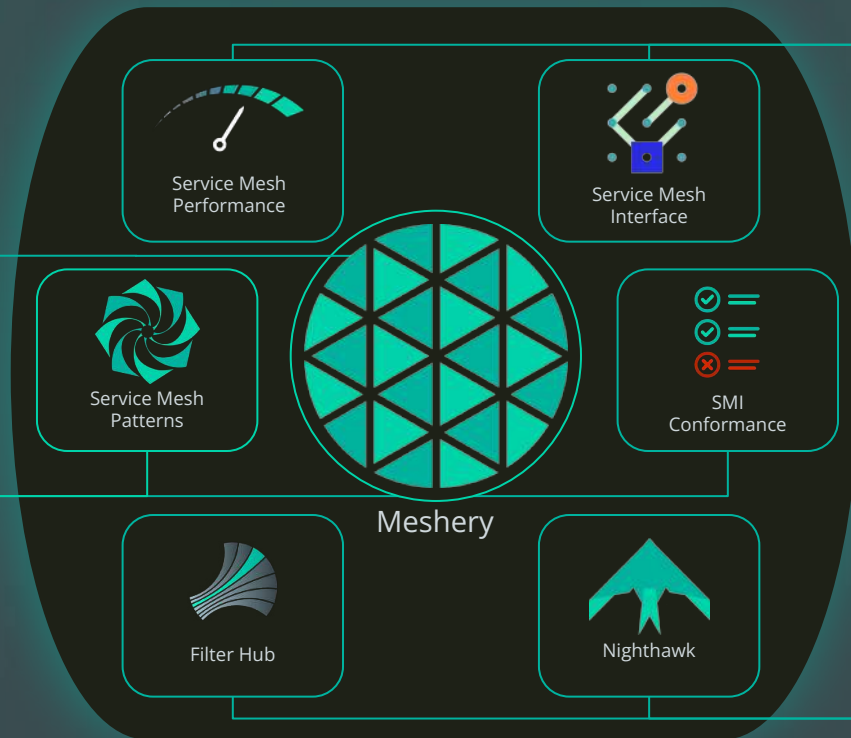
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Community-first

Sustainable open governance, not just open source



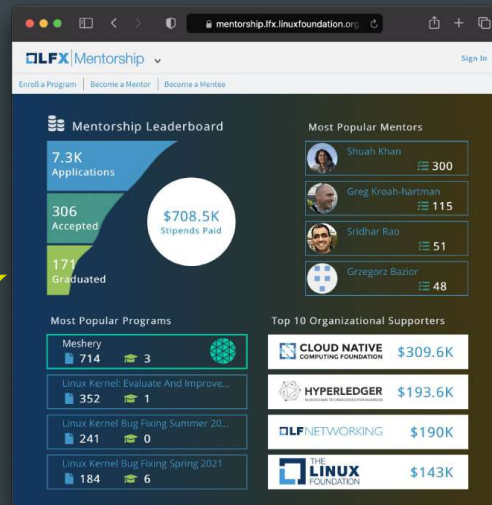
Layer5 500+ contributors

all projects

Meshery 300+ contributors

15 maintainers across different organizations:

Layer5, Red Hat, Rackspace, Intel, Quantex, Lumina Networks, VMware, Citrix, Octarine, HashiCorp, Independent, Microsoft, Google



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It's meshy out there

Infrastructure diversity is reality for enterprises



In a multi-mesh world with a landscape of 20 service meshes... let's find your best fit.

<https://layer5.io/landscape>

These factors drive service mesh diversity:

1. Open source governance dictates a world of multiple meshes.
2. Huge range of microservice patterns drives service mesh opportunity.
 - a. Open source projects and vendors create features to serve microservice patterns (they splinter the landscape and function differently).
3. Different organizations need different scopes of service mesh functionality.
4. Hybrid drives infrastructure diversity.
 - a. Accommodate hybrid workloads - non-containerized workloads need to integrate and benefit from your service mesh as well.

Service Mesh Landscape





A Multi-Mesh World



Forrester: Layer5 and Meshery Help Developers Focus On The Business

“ Diverse microservices patterns and technologies, together with the requirements of given microservice applications, provide myriad opportunities for service mesh differentiation and specialization — including meshes native to specific cloud platforms. This will lead to a world where many enterprises use multiple service mesh products, whether separately or together. ”

Source: Forrester, Oct. 2019

Strengths of Service Mesh Implementations



Linkerd

Time to Value,
Performance



Istio

Powerful Feature Set,
Extensibility



Consul

Support for
Non-Kubernetes
Workloads



NGINX

Interoperability with
Existing Ingresses



Network Service Mesh

Layer 2 and Layer 3
Functions

Service mesh standards to the rescue



Meshery implements and advances these standards

Service Mesh Interface (SMI)

A standard **interface** for service meshes on Kubernetes.



Meshery
the SMI Conformance Tool

Service Mesh Performance (SMP)

A format for describing and capturing service mesh **performance**.



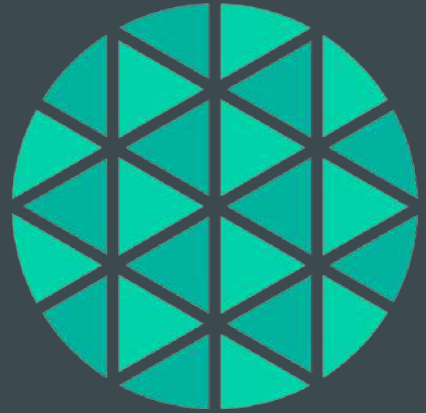
Meshery
an implementation of SMP

Multi-Vendor Service Mesh Interoperation

A set of API standards for enabling service mesh **federation**.



Service Mesh Management



The service mesh management plane



Management Plane

- Provides federation, backend system integration, expanded policy and governance, continuous delivery integration, workflow, chaos engineering, and application performance tuning.

Control Plane

- Provides policy, configuration, and platform integration.
- Takes a set of isolated stateless sidecar proxies and turns them into a service mesh.
- Does not touch any packets/requests in the data path.

Data Plane

- Touches every packet/request in the system.
- Responsible for the execution of traffic control, health checking, routing, load balancing, authentication, authorization, and observability.



A service mesh

Meshery enables operators, developers, and service owners to realize the full potential of a service mesh...

...and enhances in-network intelligence

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THE MULTI-MESH MANAGER



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Google
Summer of Code



Service Mesh
Interface (SMI)



COMMUNITYBRIDGE



Google
Season of Docs

The service mesh management ~~plane~~ platform



Multi-Mesh Management

- ✓ Lifecycle
- ✓ Workload
- ✓ Performance
- ✓ Configuration
- ✓ Patterns and Practices
- ✓ Chaos and Filters

Supports:



Working with each service mesh project to incorporate Meshery into their release process as the measure of their adherence to service mesh standards.

The screenshot displays the Meshery Dashboard interface. The left sidebar contains navigation links for Dashboard, Lifecycle, Citrix Service Mesh, Consul, Istio, Kuma, Linkerd, Network Service Mesh, Octarine, Open Service Mesh, Traefik Mesh, Configuration, Applications, Filters, Patterns, Performance, Profiles, Conformance, and Service Mesh Interface. The main content area is titled 'Dashboard' and features three primary sections:

- Service Mesh**: A table showing components for the 'istio-system'.

Control Plane Pods	Component	Version
istiod-6b8fcd5718-lzbx5	istiod	1.10.3
grafana-56585990cd-pb24g	grafana	7.5.5
istio-ingressgateway-67c99c93cd-z39lc	istio	1.10.3
prometheus-55db9cf9b6-bqfqn	prometheus	v0.5.0
- Kuma**: A table showing components for the 'kuma-system'.

Control Plane Pods	Component	Version
kuma-control-plane-5475f9d9f6-ncdv8	kuma	1.2.2
- Open Service Mesh**: A table showing components for the 'osm-system'.

Control Plane Pods	Component	Version
osm-controller-563f83d3f-fz9nw	osm	v0.9.1
osm-injector-5c65a07d67-a6qvh	osm	v0.9.1

Additional sections on the right include 'Connection Status' (showing 'Kubernetes' and 'docker-desktop'), 'Adapters' (listing various meshery adapters like meshery-consul, meshery-cpx, meshery-istio, etc.), 'Metrics' (showing URLs for host.docker.internal and host.docker.internal), and 'Release' (showing 'Channel Subscription' as 'Edge' and 'Version' as 'edge-latest').

Service Mesh Interface Conformance

Meshery, the service mesh compliance tool



The screenshot shows the Meshery web interface with a modal window titled "SMI Conformance Result". The modal contains a table with the following data:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Test	SMI Version	Service Mesh	Service Mesh Version	SMI Specification	Capability	Test Status
<input type="checkbox"/>	TA-01	v1alpha3	Linkerd	edge-20.7.5	Traffic Access	Full	Passed
<input type="checkbox"/>	TA-02	v1alpha3	Linkerd	edge-20.7.5	Traffic Access	Full	Failed
<input type="checkbox"/>	TM-01	v1alpha3	Linkerd	edge-20.7.5	Traffic Metrics	Half	Passed
<input type="checkbox"/>	TM-02	v1alpha3	Linkerd	edge-20.7.5	Traffic Metrics	None	Passed
<input type="checkbox"/>	TM-03	v1alpha3	Maesh	v1.3.2	Traffic Metrics	None	Failed
<input type="checkbox"/>	TM-04	v1alpha3	Maesh	v1.3.2	Traffic Metrics	Full	Passed

Below the table, it says "Rows per page: 10" and "1-6 of 6".



Operate and upgrade
with confirmation of
SMI compatibility.

Meshery Functionality

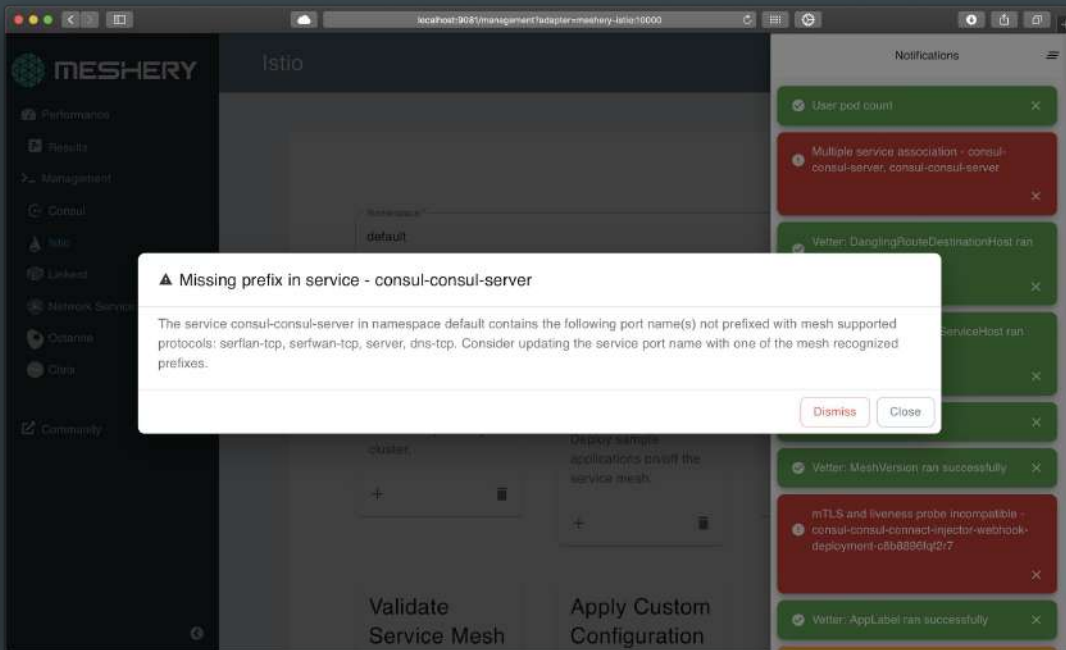
- ✓ Defines compliant behavior.
- ✓ Produces compatibility matrix.
- ✓ Ensures provenance of results.
- ✓ Runs a set of conformance tests.
- ✓ Securely ensures integrity of results.
- ✓ Manages all SMI compatible service meshes.
- ✓ Built into participating service mesh's release pipeline.
- ✓ Common [sample application](#) for validating test assertions.

Configuration Best Practices

Operate with confidence



Assess your service mesh configuration against deployment and operational best practices with Meshery's configuration validator.



Performance Management

Understand value vs Overhead



Consul sidecar + app memory usage



Istio sidecar + app memory usage



Linkerd sidecar + app memory usage



MESHERY

View & Compare Results

Performance

Results

Management

Consul

meshery-consul;1000

Istio

meshery-istio;1000

Linkerd

meshery-linkerd;1000

Network Service Mesh

meshery-nsm;1000

Octarine

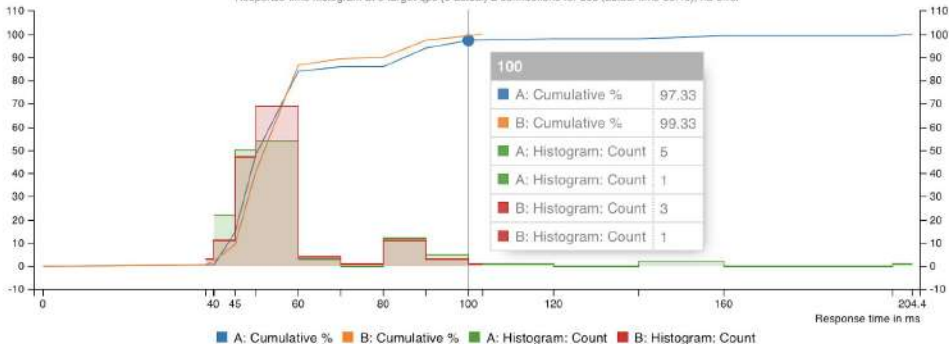
meshery-octarine;1000

Community

Comparison

A: Book Info Product Page performance test 2 - http://10.199.75.64:31360/productpage - 2019-10-11 13:27:28
Response time histogram at 5 target qps (5 actual) 2 connections for 30s (actual time 30.1s), no error

B: Book Info Product Page performance test - http://10.199.75.64:31360/productpage - 2019-10-11 13:16:23
Response time histogram at 5 target qps (5 actual) 2 connections for 30s (actual time 30.1s), no error



Close

- confidential -



WebAssembly Filter Management

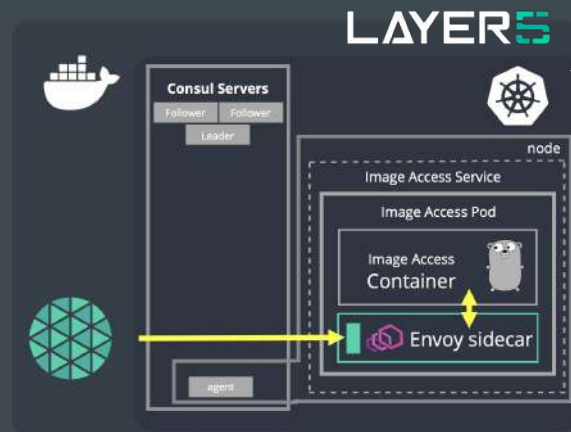
The only WASM manager for any Envoy data plane



INTELLIGENT PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT

POLICY-BASED EMBEDDING OF SERVICE OPTIMIZERS

- Get your MeshMark and use MeshMark suggestions to make your services and data plane faster.
- Deploy filters modules that optimize your services and data plane automatically.



Embedding in-network intelligence to deliver business performance management and automated application performance optimization.

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"Layer5 Offers Promising
Solution for Cloud Native
Networking"

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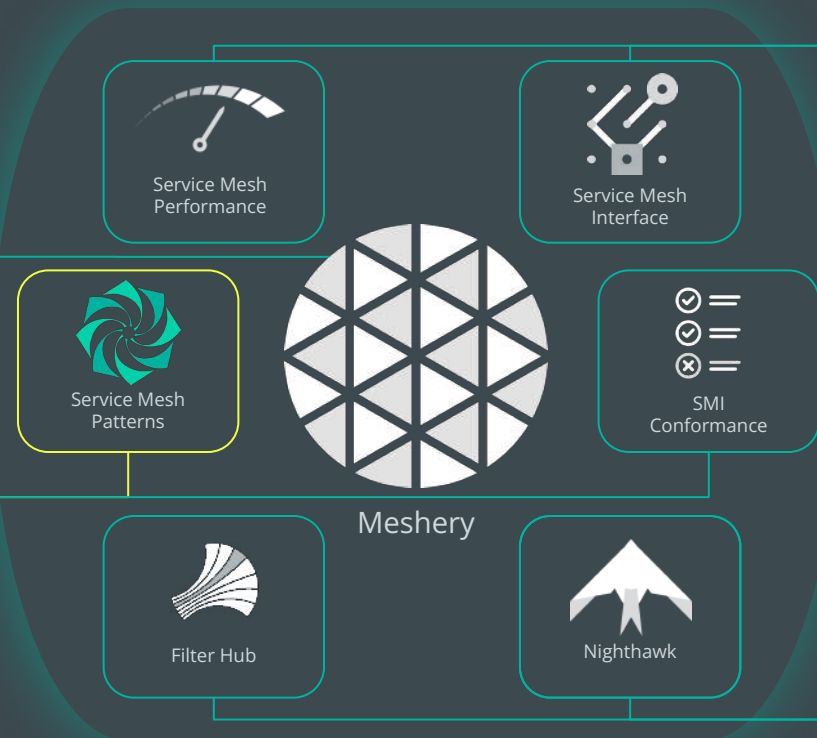


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Service Mesh Patterns

Enabling use of repeatable architectural patterns



Service Mesh Patterns enable the business function in simple language.

- Patterns capture service mesh behavior in a single file and an end-user centric way.

Service Mesh Patterns are service mesh agnostic.

- But, still allow users access service mesh-specific features and differentiation.

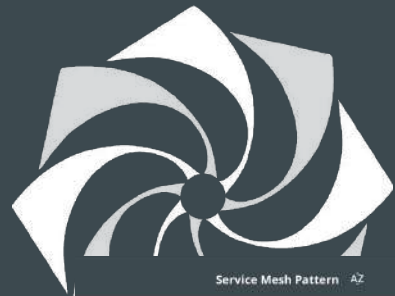
Service Mesh Patterns are reusable.

- Not only are patterns idempotent, but you can easily copy a pattern and modify to suit.

```
name: IstioSM
version: 1.0.1
services:
  istio:
    type: IstioMesh
    namespace: istio-system
    settings:
      version: 1.8.2
    traits:
      mTLS:
        policy: mutual
        namespaces:
          - istio-test
      automaticSidecarInjection:
        namespaces:
          - default
          - istio-test

  grafana:
    type: GrafanaIstioAddon
    namespace: istio-system
    dependsOn:
      - istio
      - prometheus

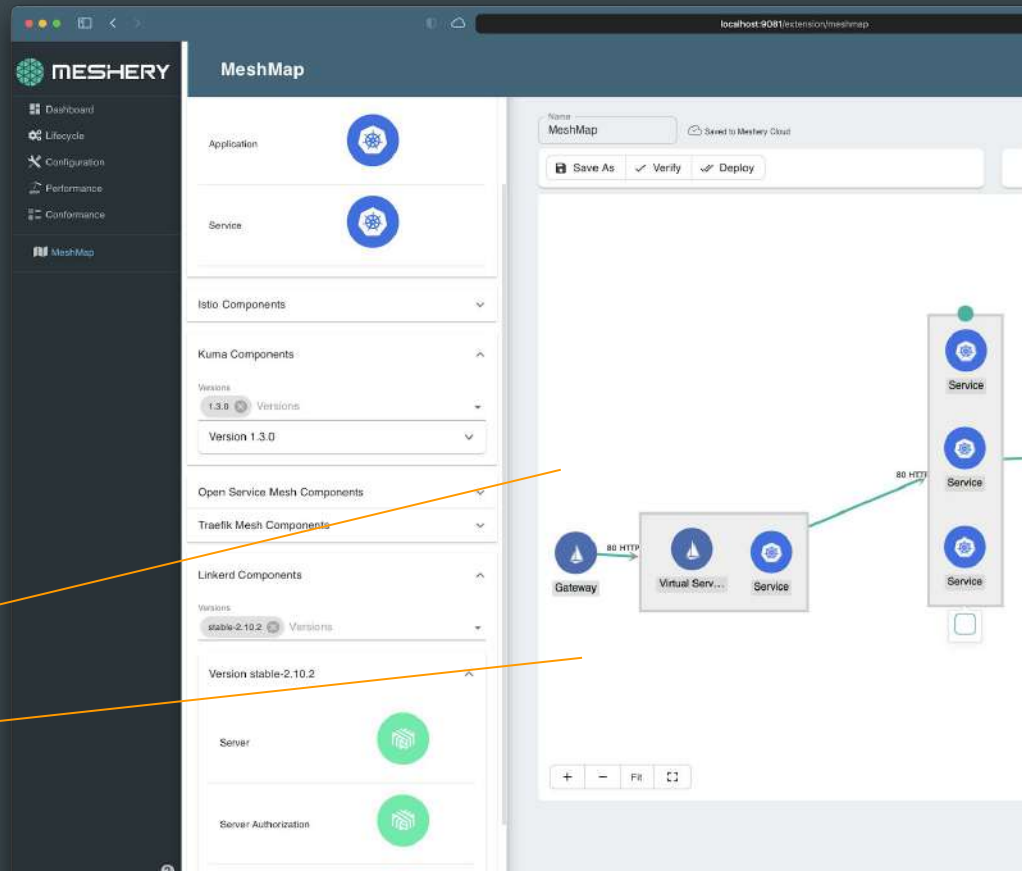
  prometheus:
    type: PrometheusIstioAddon
    namespace: istio-system
    dependsOn:
      - istio
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Meshery delivers *Service Mesh Patterns*



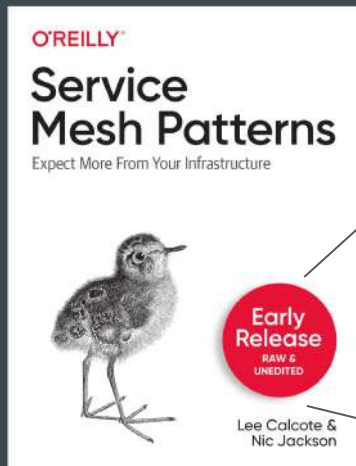
Service Mesh Pattern - AZ		Category - AZ
Area I: It's a Mesh Out There		
A world of multiple service meshes	Foundational	
Pattern: How a service mesh empowers an Operator: Retry Budgets	Foundational	
Pattern: How a service mesh empowers a service owner	Foundational	
Pattern: How a service mesh empowers a Developer	Foundational	
Pattern: Employing planes of a service mesh	Foundational	
Area II: Patterns of Initialization and Deployment		
Pattern: How to get started with any service mesh; Local Deployment	Deployment	
Pattern: Sidecar Proxies	Deployment	
Pattern: Node Agents	Deployment	
Pattern: Proxyless Service Mesh	Deployment	
Pattern: Passive and Active Health Checking	Deployment	
Pattern: Workload Onboarding and Service Mesh Adoption	workloads	
Pattern: Expanding the Mesh to Brownfield Environments	workloads	
Pattern: Segmenting the Monolith (Strangler)	workloads	
Area III: Patterns of Configuration		
Pattern: Data plane extensibility	Observability	
Pattern: Transparently Proxying TLS	Traffic Management	
Pattern: Foundational Traffic Routing	Traffic Management	
Pattern: Local and Global Rate Limiting	Traffic Management	
Pattern: Timeouts	Traffic Management	
Pattern: Retries	Traffic Management	
Pattern: Circuit Breaking	Traffic Management	
Pattern: Bulkheading with Resiliency	Resiliency	



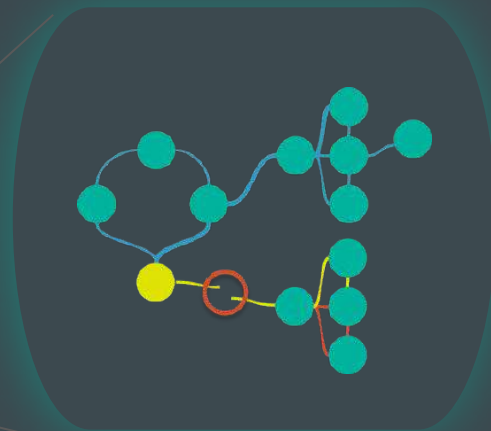
The world's authority on *Service Mesh Patterns*



github.com/service-mesh-patterns



layer5.io/books/service-mesh-patterns



SMP087: Circuit breaker pattern

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Cloud Native for the rest of us

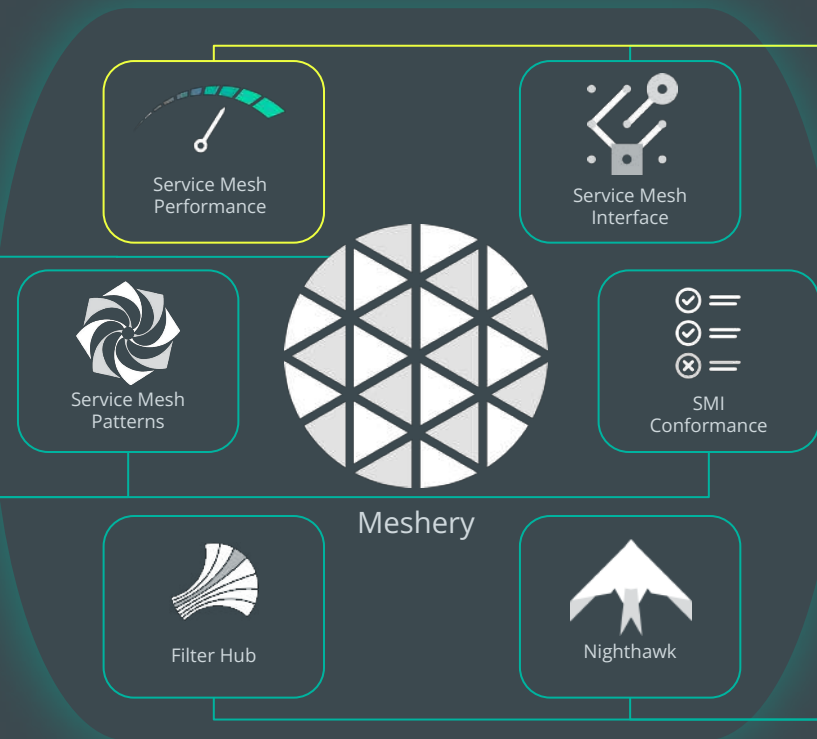


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Service Mesh Performance

*vendor neutral service mesh performance
measurement standard*



We are the makers of

Service Mesh Performance (SMP)



SMP

smp-spec.io



A cloud native application networking standard.

A vendor neutral specification for capturing details of infrastructure capacity, service mesh configuration, and workload metadata.

Facilitates:

- a universal performance index to gauge a service mesh's efficiency against deployments in other organizations' environments.
- benchmarking of service mesh performance
- exchange of performance information from system-to-system / mesh-to-mesh
- apples-to-apples performance comparisons of service mesh deployments.

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HashiCorp

MeshMark

from the Service Mesh Performance Specification



An open standard for measuring performance of service meshes in context of the value they provide.

Its purpose is to convert measurements into insights about the value of functions a service mesh is providing.

It does so by specifying a uniform way to analyze and report on the degree to which measured performance provides user value.

Distilling a variety of overhead signals and key performance indicators into a simple scale. Measurement data may not provide a clear and simple picture of how well those applications are performing from a business point of view, a characteristic desired in metrics that are used as key performance indicators.

Reporting several different kinds of data can cause confusion. Reducing measurement data to a single well understood metric is a convenient way to track and report on quality of experience.

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We are the makers of *Nighthawk*

Distributed systems require distributed analysis



NIGHTHAWK

getnighthawk.dev

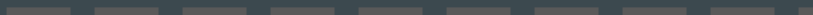
Nighthawk

- a Layer 7 performance characterization tool created by Envoy project.
- a load generator custom-built for data plane proxy testing.



Meshery

- the service mesh management plane
- supports wrk2, fortio, and Nighthawk as single instance load generators.



- **Recursively evaluate optimization algorithms** using adaptive load controllers in Meshery for ongoing insight and automatic tuning.
- Parallelize distributed performance testing with high precision for insight into high tail percentiles. **Unlock distributed systems behavioral analysis.**
- **Model your service mesh topology** and optimize for your ideal configuration in context of how much you value properties of resiliency, performance, throughput, latency, and so on before you deploy to production.



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Day 0 Workshop

What you'll learn -

Kubernetes

- Container orchestration concepts

Kubernetes architecture

- Control plane components

Kubernetes constructs

- Pods, Namespaces, Deployments, StatefulSets, DaemonSets, Services, ConfigMaps, Volumes

Cluster Management

- Monitoring strategies, Best practices
- Upgrades

Workload Management

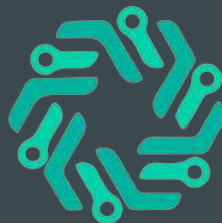
- Rolling Updates
- Continuous Delivery, GitOps

Multi-cluster deployment models

- Identify the best-suited deployment model for your requirements.

Day 1 Workshop

What you'll learn -



MESHMASTER

**Service Mesh Expert
Certification Program**

applications on different service meshes.

Day 2 Workshop

What you'll learn -

Observability

- Methods for managing telemetry, monitoring, and reporting

Traffic Management

- How to manage traffic through load balancing and resilient communication
 - a. Request Routing and Canary Testing
 - b. Fault Injection and Circuit Breaking
- How to enforce policies and rate limiting

Security

- Identity - securing communication with the mesh with identity and mTLS.
- Policy - using traffic policies to operate securely.

Service mesh performance

- Examine and understand the tradeoffs of value delivered vs overhead incurred.

Operational Best Practices

- Running workloads on service mesh
- Troubleshooting the service mesh

Go to Market

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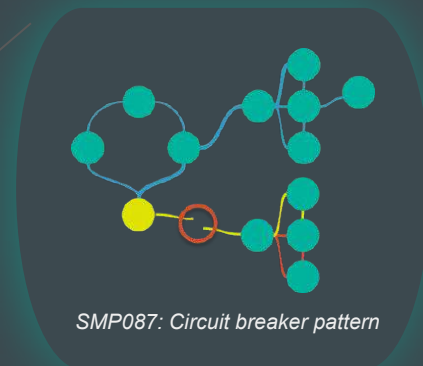
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CNCF Service Mesh Working Group

- [Meet](#) on 1st and 3rd Thursday of every month at 11am Pacific.
- Connect: Slack Channel ([#tag-network](#)).
- Join: [Service Mesh WG](#) mailing lists at [lists.cncf.io](#)



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