

Cilium Project

Cilium Updates, News, Roadmap, and in the Wild



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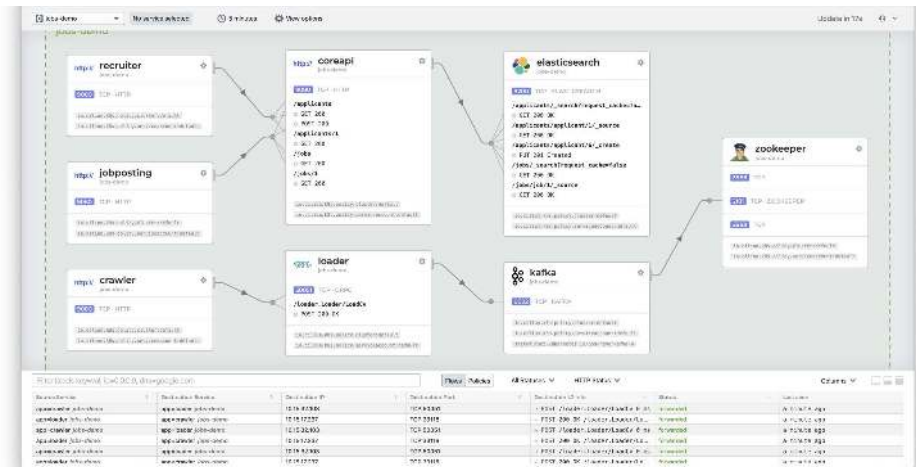
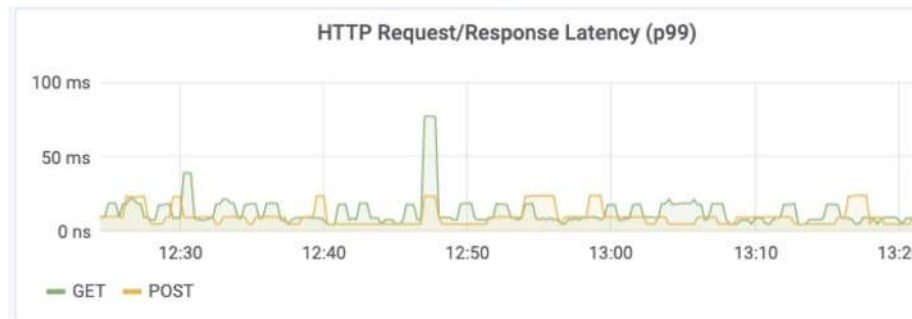
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Metrics, Logs, & Service Map

- L3/L4
- L7 (HTTP, DNS, Kafka, ...)
- Network Policy
- ...





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Welcome to Cilium

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Cilium
CNI

Scalable, Secure,
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Sidecar-free Service
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Security Observability &
Runtime Enforcement





Cilium

Efficient and Scalable Kubernetes CNI

- IPv4, IPv6, NAT46/64, SRv6, ...
- Overlays, BGP, Cloud Provider SDNs

High-performance Load Balancing

- Kubernetes Services
- North-South Load Balancer
- Kubernetes Ingress

Network Policies & Encryption

- Kubernetes Network Policy
- Cilium Network Policy (FQDN, L7, ...)
- Transparent Encryption
- Bandwidth Manager

Multi-Cluster & External Workloads

- Global Services, Service Discovery, Network Policy
- Integration of Metal & VMs
- Egress Gateway

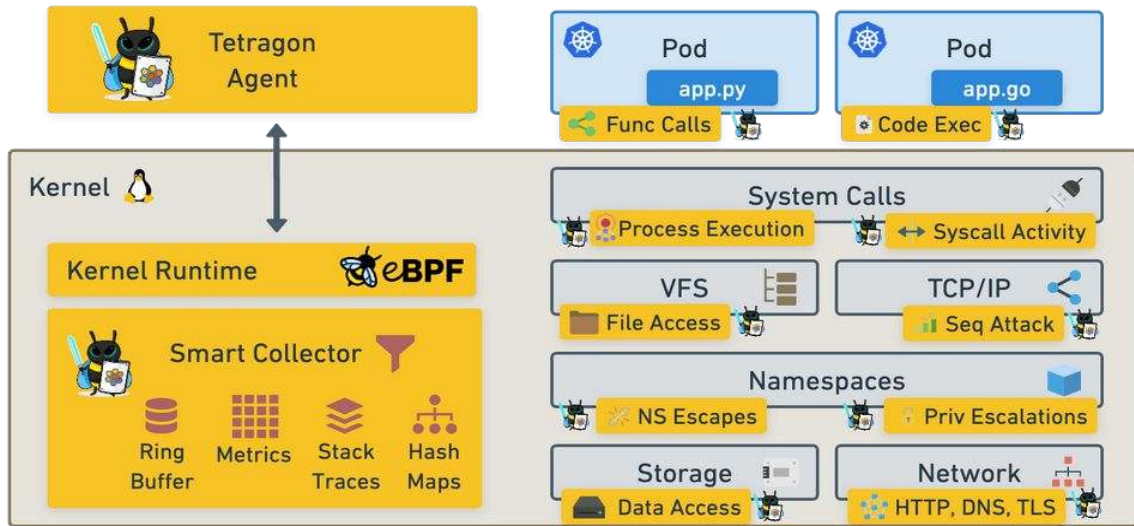


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Metrics Events Logs Traces





 **eBPF**-based:

- Networking
- Security
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- Service Mesh & Ingress

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What Makes a Good Multi-tenant Kubernetes Solution

[VIDEO 1](#) - [VIDEO 2](#)



Building High-Performance Cloud Native Pod Networks

[READ BLOG](#)



AWS picks Cilium for Networking & Security on EKS Anywhere

[READ BLOG](#)



Bell uses Cilium and eBPF for telco networking

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Building a Secure and Maintainable PaaS

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Cloud Native Networking with eBPF



Datadog is using Cilium in AWS (self-hosted k8s)



Managed Kubernetes: 1.5 Years of Cilium Usage at DigitalOcean

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Over 100 USERS.md entries



Scaling a Multi-Tenant Kubernetes Clusters in a Telco

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Meltwater is using Cilium in AWS on self-hosted multi-tenant k8s clusters as the CNI plugin

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Mobilabs uses Cilium as the CNI for their internal cloud

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Nexxiot using Cilium as the CNI plugin on EKS for its IoT SaaS

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PostFinance is using Cilium as their CNI for all mission critical, on premise k8s clusters

[CASE STUDY](#) - [VIDEO](#)



eBPF & Cilium at Sky

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Skybet uses Cilium as their CNI

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Trip.com uses Cilium both on premise and in AWS

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Deploy on your preferred cloud



Use your favorite Kubernetes distribution





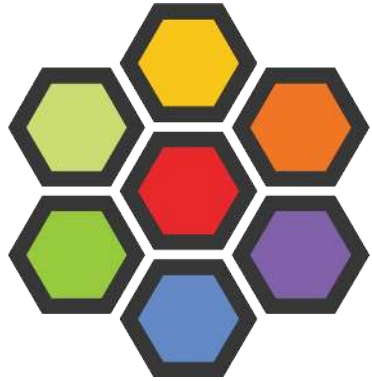
All major ☁️ cloud providers have now
picked 🌐 for **Networking & Security**
in their Kubernetes platforms



Our first **Cilium Annual Report**



Yesterday we held the first



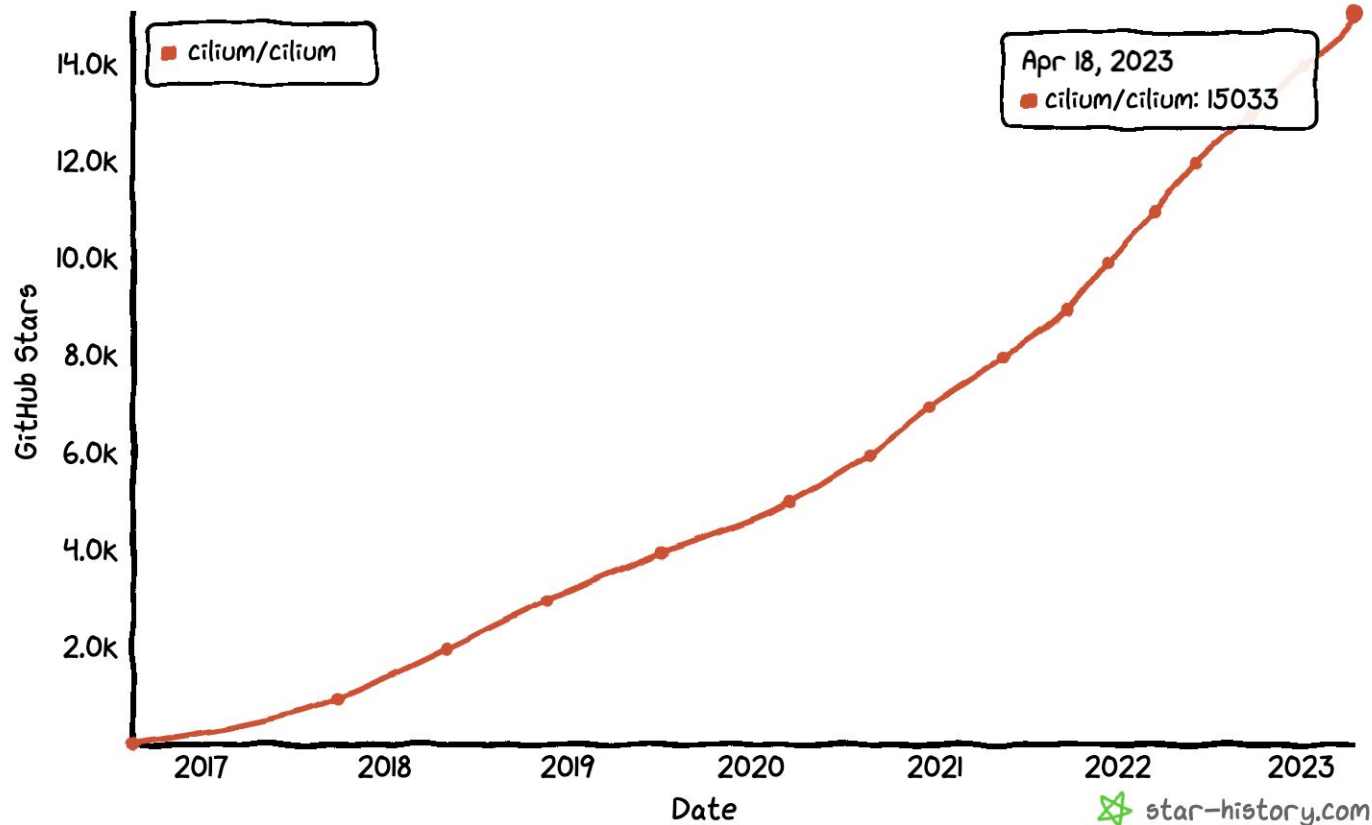
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☐ Align timeline





Cilium Contributor Ladder

Start here → github.com/cilium/community

Code  & non-code    contributions

New CONTRIBUTORS file



Cilium Developer Meetings

Weekly: Wednesday, 5:00 pm Europe/Zurich time

New experiment with APAC-friendly timeslot: 3rd Wednesday of each month, 9:00 am Japan time

Find Zoom info & agenda from [cilium/cilium README](#) or Cilium Slack



Cilium Security Audit

Fuzzing audit & security audit commissioned by CNCF & OSTIF, and performed by Ada Logics

*“The overall conclusion is that **Cilium is a well-secured project**. The audit found **no critical vulnerabilities** and found a lot of positives about the security of Cilium. This included both the code displaying **positive security awareness** as well as the maintainers having thorough understanding about the security posture”*



LF Intro to Cilium Course

training.linuxfoundation.org - LFS146x

The screenshot shows the Linux Foundation Training & Certification website. The header includes the Linux Foundation logo, navigation links (Catalog, Resources, Corporate Solutions, Explore), and a 'MY TRAINING PORTAL' button. The main content area features the course title 'Introduction to Cilium (LFS146x)' with a description: 'Cilium is a popular and widely-deployed Container Network Interface (CNI) solution that is now the default across many Kubernetes distributions and cloud provider offerings. Get a practical introduction to using Cilium as the networking plug-in for Kubernetes, including installation, observability with Hubble, securing network connections, and multi-cluster support - all based on eBPF for scalability.' Below the description is a 'Course Rating' of 4.5/5 stars. A price tag shows '\$0' with 'On-site only' and an 'Enroll Today' button. At the bottom, there are tabs for 'Who Is It For', 'What You'll Learn', 'What It Prepares You For', and 'Includes'.



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Graduation -
TOC vote imminent 🙌

github.com/cncf/toc/pull/952



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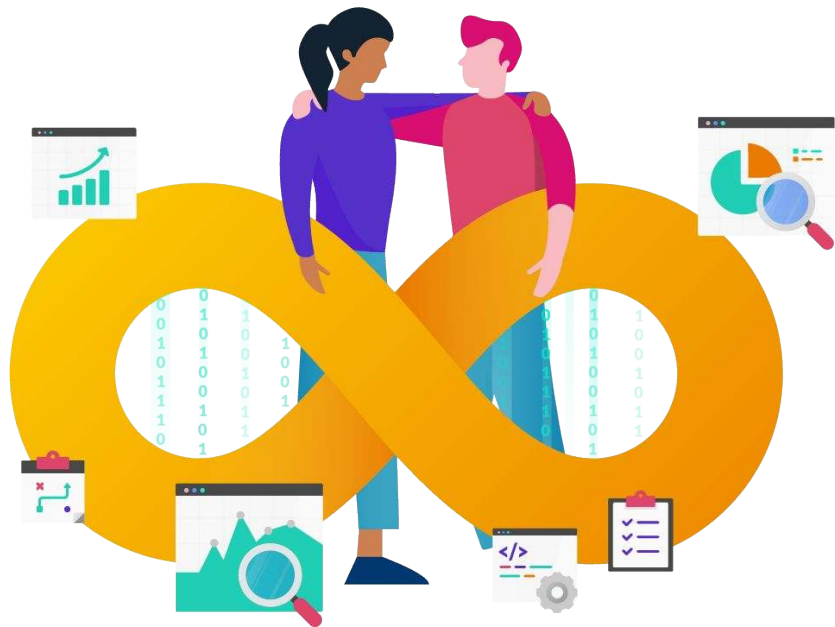
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Cilium in the Wild

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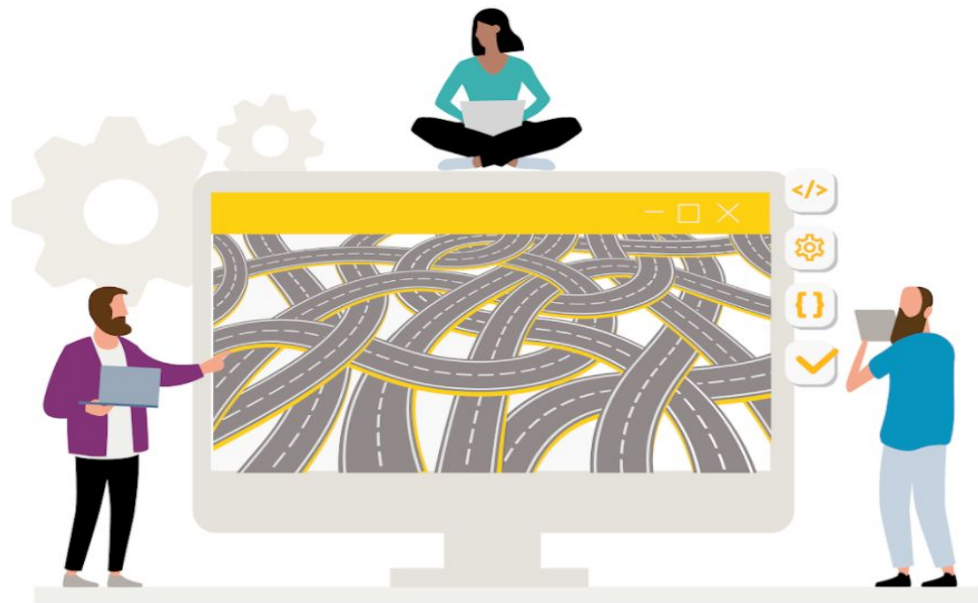


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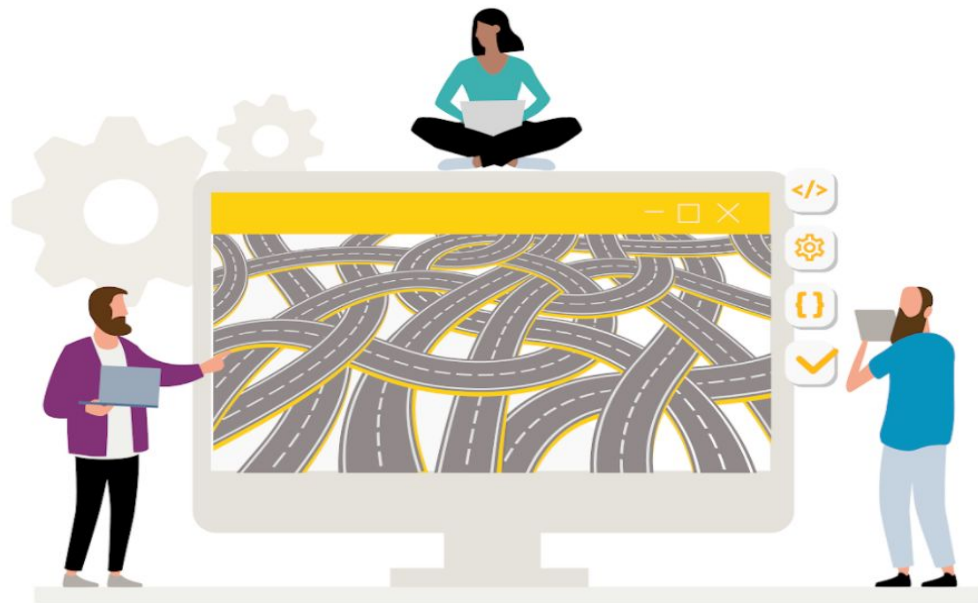
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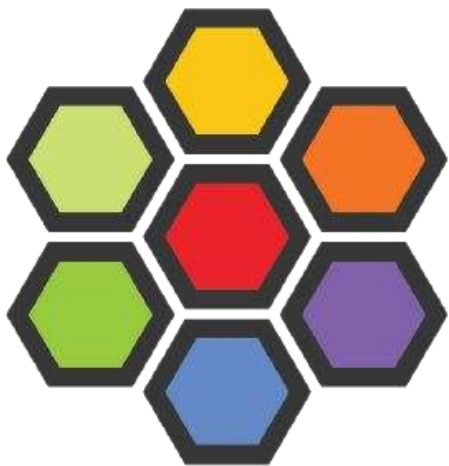
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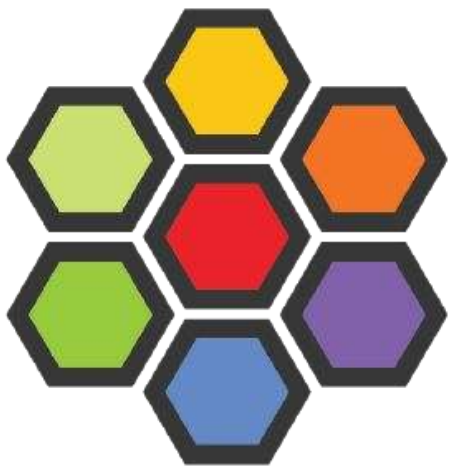
Kubernetes

Istio ingress

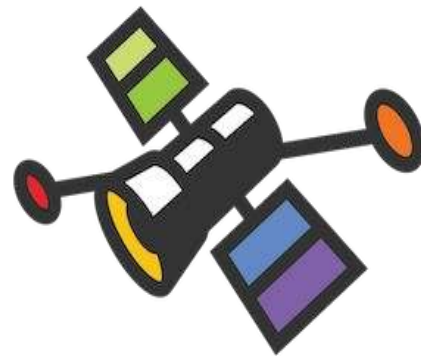




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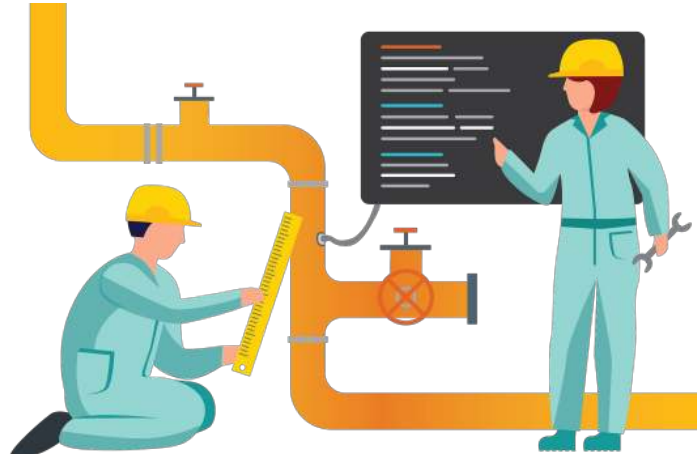
Internal Development Platform

- Talos OS/K8S
- Backstage
- ArgoCD
- ArgoWorkflows/Events
- Cilium CNI

L7 aware traffic routing

Egress routing

Ingress controller in mesh



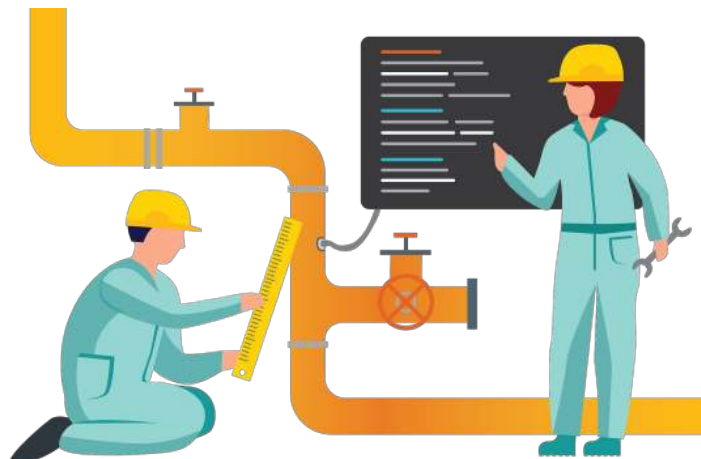
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Service Mesh



Multi Cloud Cluster

Nodes in AWS

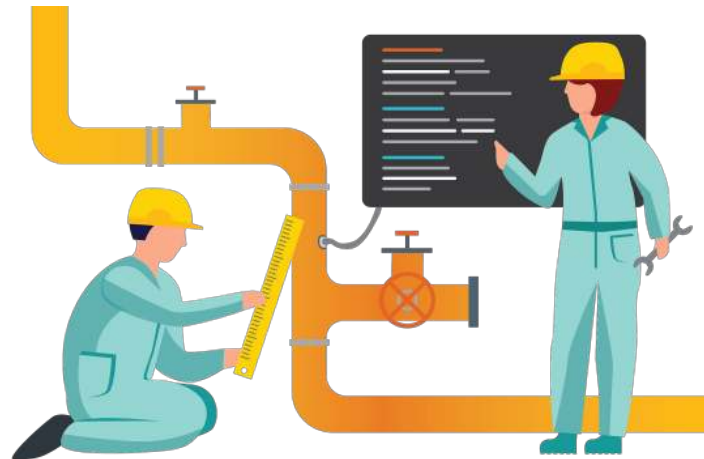
Nodes in Azure

Nodes in VMs on-prem

Workloads assigned with taints/tolerations

Multiple ingress configured (per location)

Multiple egress gateway policies used



Next Steps

- Tetragon



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- Gateway API Support
- SPIFFE
- Cluster mesh
(or Cilium mesh)





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Grafana Integration

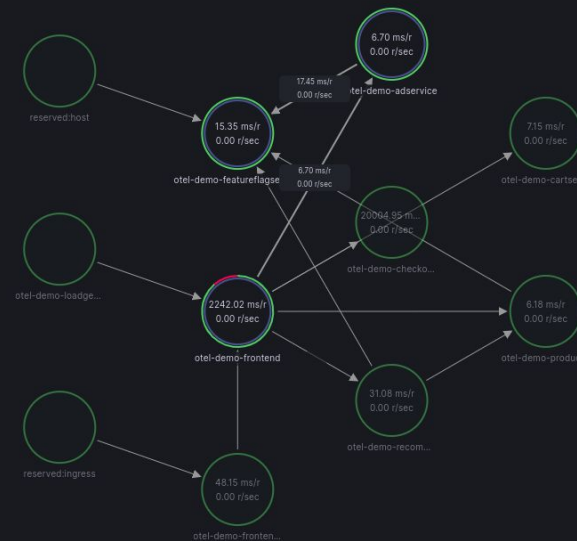
*Richard "RichiH" Hartmann
Director of Community, Grafana Labs*



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HTTP Service Map



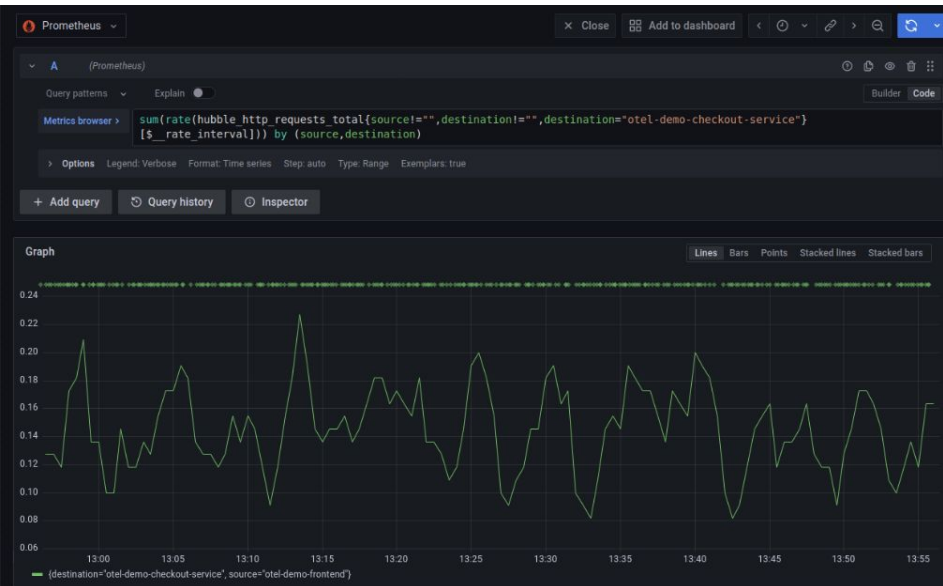
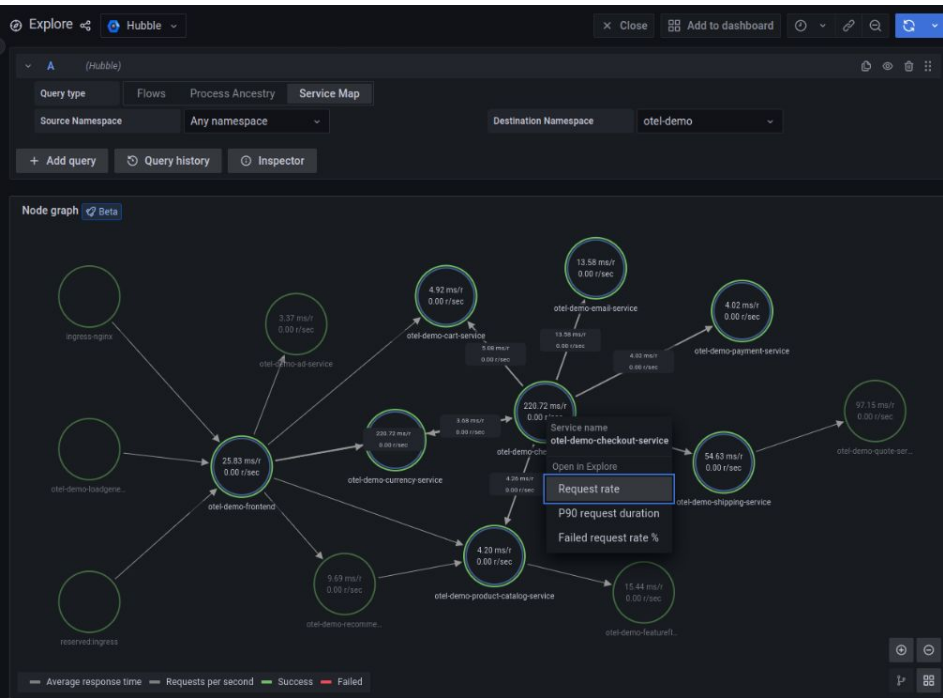
— Average response time
 — Requests per second
 — Success
 — Failed

HTTP request rate



HTTP failed (5xx) requests







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Cilium - what's next?

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Cilium 1.14 and beyond

Roadmap Highlights

- mTLS for NetworkPolicy
- SPIFFE Integration + mTLS Authentication
- Day 2 Operations Enhancements
- Grafana Dashboards in Hubble UI
- Istio Ambient Mesh & zTunnel integration
- Did we mention more Grafana already?
- ... and a big announcement?



Roadmap Highlights



mTLS for Network Policy

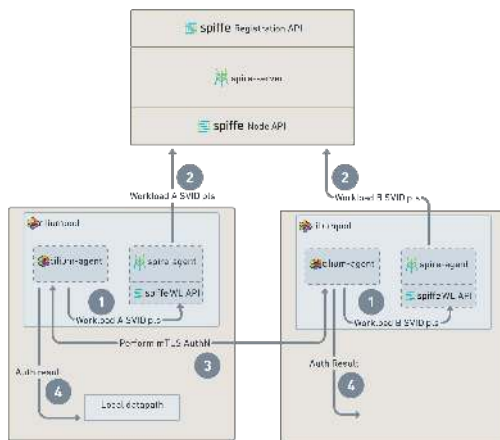
mTLS via just Network Policy,
no service mesh needed

```
apiVersion: cilium.io/v2
kind: CiliumNetworkPolicy
metadata:
  name: frontend-backend
spec:
  endpointSelector:
    matchLabels:
      role: backend
  ingress:
    - fromEndpoints:
        - matchLabels:
            role: frontend
      auth:
        required: strict
```



SPIFFE Integration

Certificate management via
SPIFFE/SPIRE + SPIFFE ID
selector matching



Day 2 Ops

Assisted monitoring,
proactive troubleshooting,
simplified day 2 ops



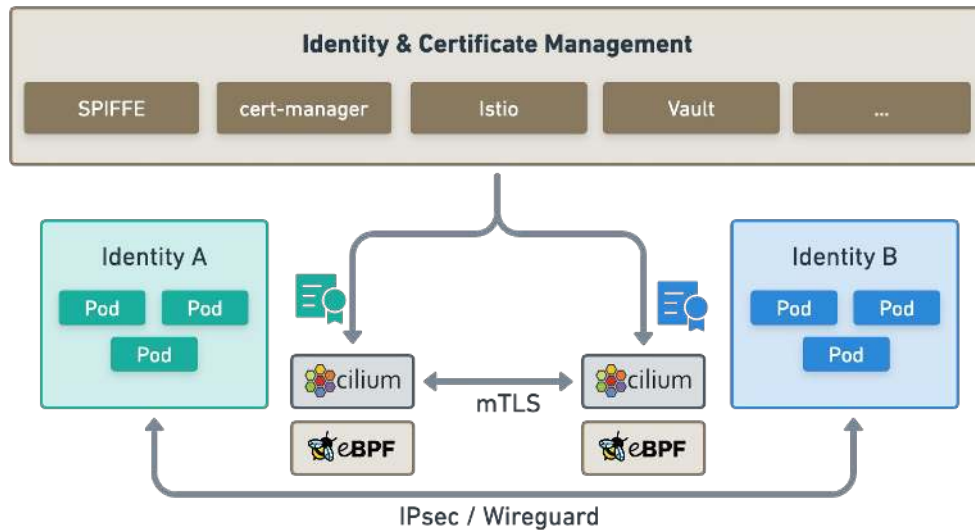


NetworkPolicy - mTLS Policy

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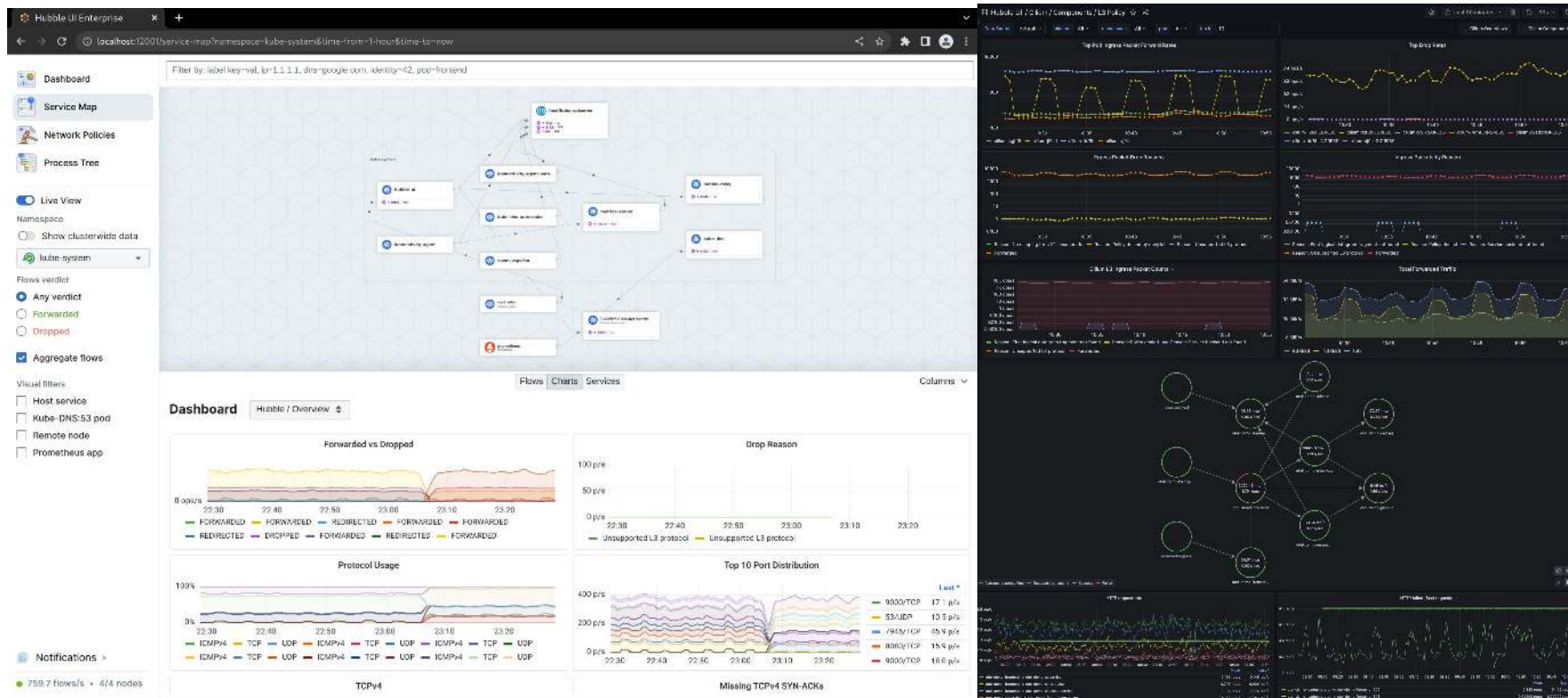
Require authentication for connections to backends

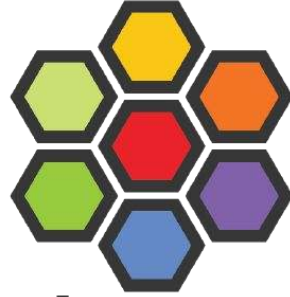
Cilium Next-Gen Mutual Authentication



- User space mTLS authentication
- Proxy-free in-kernel datapath
- Keeps secrets out of L7 proxies
- Works for any protocol (UDP, SCTP, ...)
- IPsec/Wireguard can use TLS negotiated service-specific keys

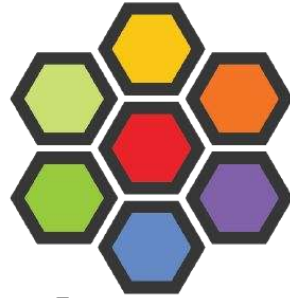
Hubble UI with Grafana Integration





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The End



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What about the
announcement?



Cilium Mesh

One Mesh to Connect Them All



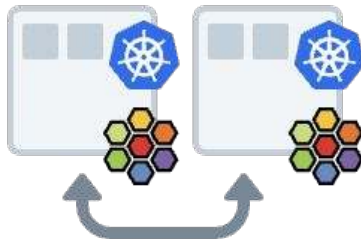
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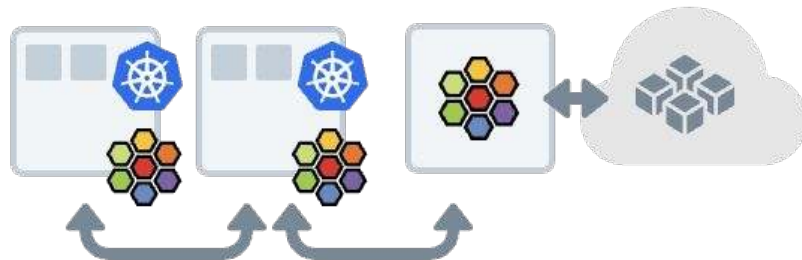
Kubernetes
Networking



Multi-Cluster
Networking



Multi- & Hybrid-
Cloud Networking





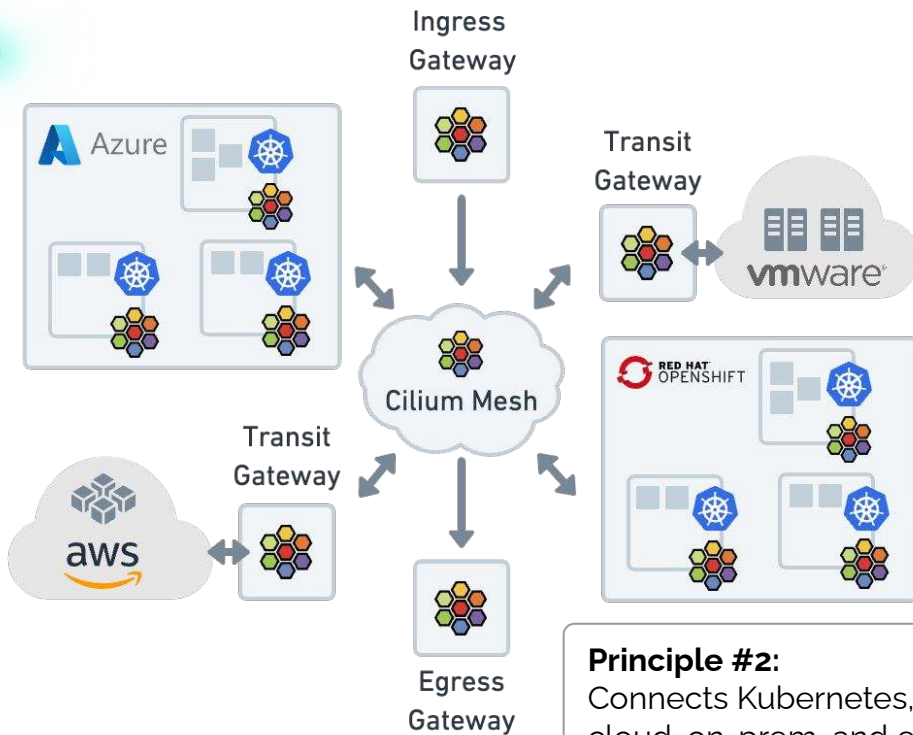
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Principle #1:

Combines all Cilium components into a single mesh:

- Kubernetes Networking (CNI)
- Cluster Mesh (Multi-Cluster)
- Ingress & Egress Gateway
- Load Balancer
- Service Mesh



Principle #2:

Connects Kubernetes, VMs, and Servers across cloud, on-prem, and edge.





Feedback and ideas

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github.com/cilium



See you on Slack!