

SIDECAR PATTERN

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BUILDING MICROSERVICES



MICROSERVICE CHALLENGES

- Microservices are not micro when they include a huge stack of libraries
- Communication between services can be tricky
- Can be much harder to test
- Need to have a good automated builds

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Container

Monitoring

Logging

Routing

Authentication

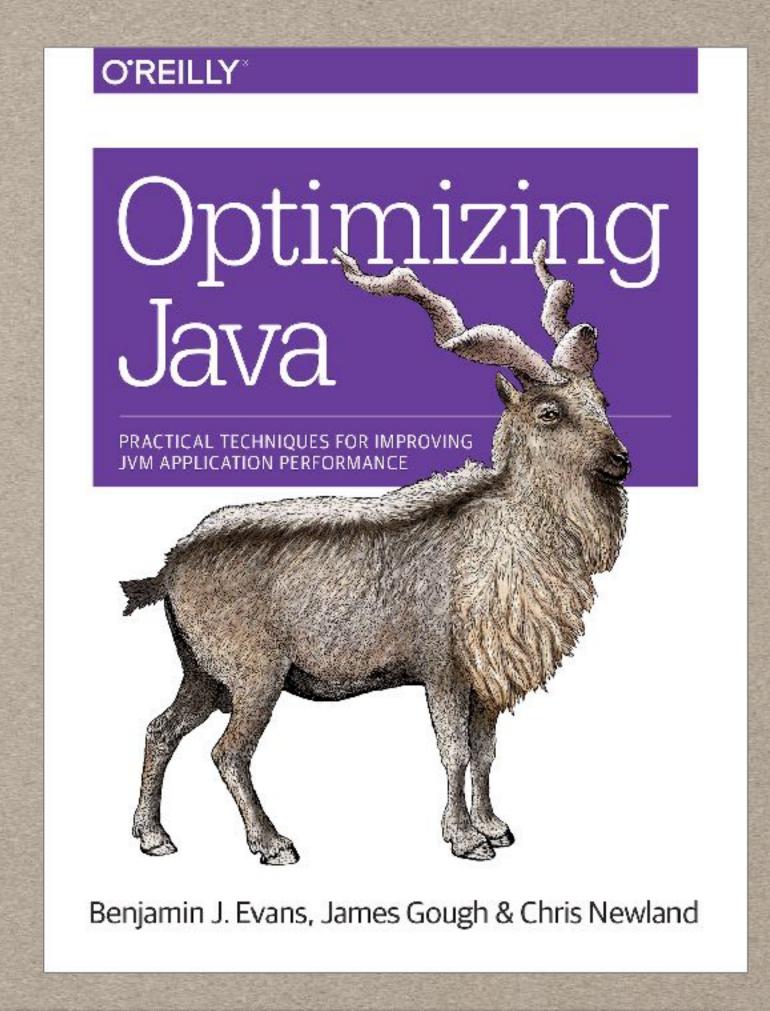
Primary Application

ADVANTAGES OF SIDECAR

- Independent Runtime Environment
- Has access to the same resources as main application
- Reduces the latency when communicating
- Can be used with different languages
- Can share functionality with other teams easily

CONSIDERATIONS

- The sidecar pattern is well suited to containers
- Carefully consider interprocess communication
- Have to balance library usage with sidecar
- Increases resource costs
- If the service needs to scale at a different rate



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