# Understanding basics of envoy

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# Agenda

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- Service Mesh
- Envoy Key Features
- Dynamic Configuration
- Envoy Key Concepts / Terminology
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### What is Envoy?

- Layer 4/7 Proxy and communication bus
- Designed by Lyft for large modern service oriented architectures with following principal in mind:

"The network should be transparent to applications. When network and application problems do occur it should be easy to determine the source of the problem."

 Donated to CNCF; Now a graduated CNCF Project, adopted by as a proxy or dataplane by many products and companies.













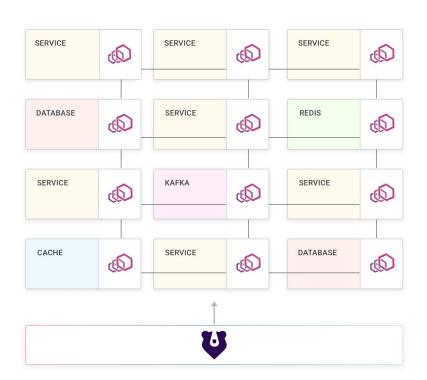


### **Service Mesh**

A better way to implement modern networking and connectivity among the different services.

Transparently add capabilities like observability, traffic management, and security, without code modification.

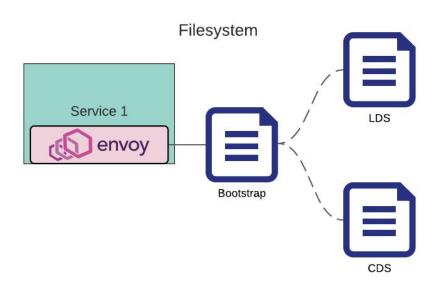
It can be used to improve connectivity among every architecture and on every platform like K8s, VMs and Bare metal.

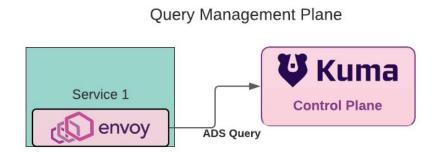


### **Envoy Key Features**

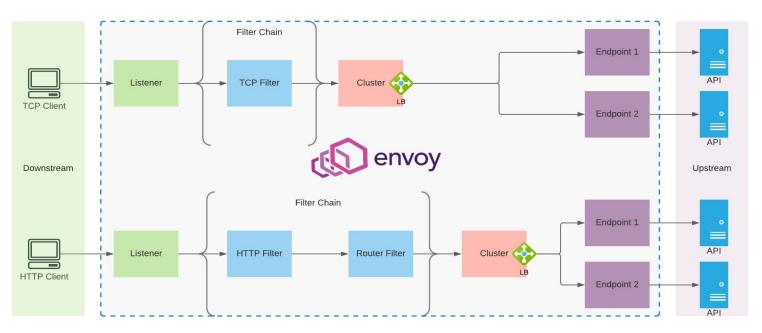
- Lightweight, Low Latency
- Supports L3/L4 as well as L7 Proxy
- Best in class observability features.
- Offers advanced features and policies OOTB (Load Balancing, Health checking, Circuit breaking and etc)
- Supports both static and dynamic configuration + Hot restart
- Universal dataplane / Supports any Control Plane
- Support many transport protocols (TCP/UDP, HTTP1/2/3, gRPC and more)

# **Dynamic Configuration - xDS Services**





### **Envoy Key Concepts / Terminology**



# **Envoy Admin API**

Some of Admin API endpoints:

- /clusters
- /listeners
- /config\_dump
- /stats (json, prometheus formats)
- /logging

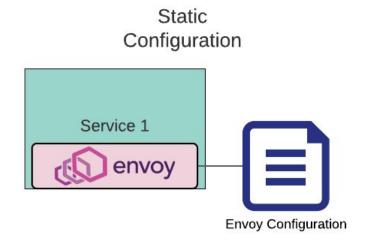
For complete list please refer to the documentation: https://www.envoyproxy.io/docs/envoy/latest/operations/admin#operations-admin-interface-clusters

# **Useful 3rd party Libraries & Tools**

- Docker Compose <a href="https://docs.docker.com/compose/">https://docs.docker.com/compose/</a>
- Gron <a href="https://github.com/tomnomnom/gron">https://github.com/tomnomnom/gron</a>
- Jq <a href="https://stedolan.github.io/jq/">https://stedolan.github.io/jq/</a>
- H2load <a href="https://nghttp2.org/documentation/h2load.1.html">https://nghttp2.org/documentation/h2load.1.html</a>

### **Demo 1 - Static Configuration**

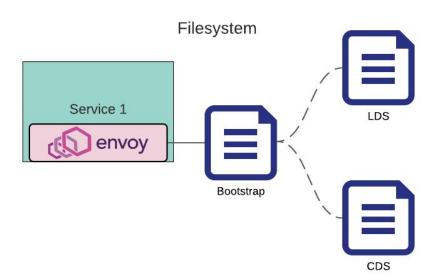
- Envoy static configurations
- Admin endpoints
- Envoy Layer 4 and 7 capabilities



# **Demo 2 - Dynamic Configuration**

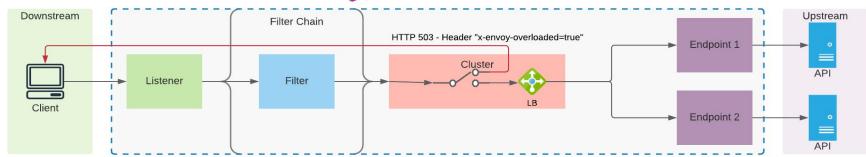
LDS: Listener Discovery Service

CDS: Cluster Discovery Service



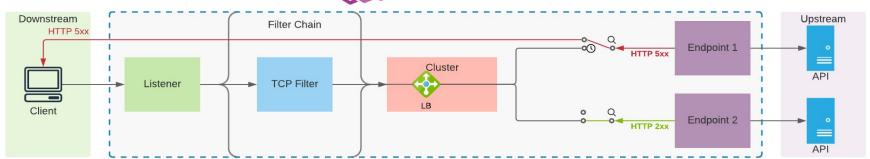
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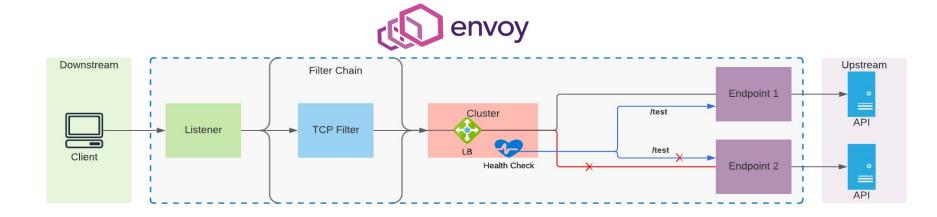


### **Demo 4 - Outlier Detection**





# Demo 5 - Active Health Check



### All Contents are Shared in Github

https://github.com/manibh/envoy-mesh-cncf

