



Introduction

In this lesson, we'll look at a quick introduction to Consul and a chapter walkthrough.

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- Where does Consul come from?
- License and technology
- Chapter walkthrough

Where does Consul come from?

Consul is a product of the company Hashicorp (<https://www.hashicorp.com/>), which offers various products in the field of microservices and infrastructure. Of course, Hashicorp also offers commercial support for Consul.

License and technology

Consul (<https://www.consul.io/>) is an open source product. It is written in Go and is licensed under the Mozilla Public License 2.0 (<https://github.com/hashicorp/consul/blob/master/LICENSE>). The code is available at GitHub (<https://github.com/hashicorp/consul>).

Chapter walkthrough



This chapter shows an implementation for a synchronous microservices system with Consul and the Apache httpd server.

Essential contents of the chapter are:

- Consul is a very powerful service discovery technology.
- Apache httpd can be used as a load balancer and router for HTTP requests in a microservices system.
- Consul Template can create a configuration file for the Apache httpd server that includes information about all registered microservices. Consul Template configures and restarts Apache httpd when new microservice instances are started.

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1 What is consul?



A) A complete routing solution



B) A very powerful service discovery technology





C) A load balancer



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In the next lesson, we'll look at an example of REST with Consul and Apache httpd.

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