OPEN SOURCE NETWORKING DAYS

Introduction to Clover

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Motivation 为什么未来网络要原生态云化?

- 下一代网络技术需要 To Support Future Network Services, e.g. 5G top use cases
 - 50 billion IoT devices by 2020
 - Exceptional user experience with AR/VR
 - Ultra low latency services (extending cloud to the edge), autonomous vehicles
- 网络服务管理自动化需要 To Realize Zero Touch Operations
 - ONAP, ETSI ZSM
 - 德电:"DT: Brutal Automation is the Only Way to Succeed"
- 网络应用智能化需要 To Empower Application Innovation
 - Monetization with close user engagements
 - Data analytics and ML driven automation and optimization



What Does Cloud Native Mean for Networking? 原生态云化对网络意味着什么?





What is Clover? Clover开源项目简介



- Clover is a framework stack to develop network services as cloud native micro-service applications that can be developed, deployed and operated with high degree of automation.
- Network service: any network function in software, including applications, management, control or data planes
- Clover currently uses Kubernetes and Docker containers as the baseline
- Clover main function areas:
 - Use **service mesh** to segment micro-services, control traffic and unify security
 - Consolidate visibility, tracing, monitoring to enhance debuggability and operability
 - Automate **validation** of network service characteristics
 - Use continuous deployment (CD) to realize operational automation
 - Target diverse deployment environments



Service Mesh: 利用网格来应对规模化和复杂性

- Growth of microservices often leads to "Container Sprawl".
- Dependencies between microservices are tangled and error-prone.
- Debugging and validation are difficult for one microservice by a given developer.
- Security policies are difficult to enforce and verify.
- Solution: A dedicated service layer: Service Mesh.





~150 containerized services



Brief Intro to Istio – Istio网格简介

An Istio service mesh is composed of a set of proxies (Envoy) deployed in each pod as 'sidecars'.

These proxies mediate and control all inter-microservice traffic.

Pilot maps abstract service discovery, intelligent routing and resiliency functions to the proxies.

Mixer enforces policies and collects telemetry data – and evaluates them as 'attributes'.

Citadel allows security policies based on service identify rather than network controls.





Istio Traffic Policies 服务流量管理

Examples of common traffic policies

- Traffic routing
- Traffic mirroring
- Circuit breaking
- Rate limiting
- Fault injection
- Timeouts
- Retries

Policy rules are defined in Pilot, and can be used to automate many operational and resiliency tasks.





Istio Control Policies 控制策略管理

Control policies are implemented by Mixer through a plugin design.

The policy language centers around 'attributes'. Mixer is also seen as an attribute processing engine.



apiVersion: config.istio.io/v1alpha2
kind: rule
metadata:
name: promhttp
namespace: istio-system
spec:
<pre>match: destination.service == "service1.ns.svc.cluster.local" && request.headers["x-user"] == "user1"</pre>
actions:
- handler: handler.prometheus
instances:
- requestduration.metric.istio-system



Istio Security 安全策略



Citadel负责密钥管理, Proxies管加密通讯, Pilot管理相关策略, Mixer负责审计和许可等。



幼稚尝试: Put Clearwater on Service Mesh



Clearwater是一个简单网络模块的开源样版实现。其中一些模块可以直接采用Service Mesh,但大部分微服务模块有问题(e.g. Traffic blackhole)。结论:需要网络功能模块微服务化的framework stack。



Clover Sample Networking Service 原生态网络服务模板



Clover原生态网络服务模版 (Fraser release -1st)



Clover Sample Networking Service 原生态网络服务模板



Clover原生态网络服务模版 (Gambia release - 2nd)



Clover Visibility 数据化的可视性



帮助收集,分析,处理数据,自动化运作等



Clovisor: Network tracing via Clover + lovisor 网络可视性

Istio has some shortcomings for Networking:

- Heavy weight
 - 13 containers today
 - Sidecar per pod
- Only has visibility for L4-7, not L3.
- Limited protocol support, tunneling, encapsulations

Clover enhances network tracing leveraging eBPF and IOvisor

Clovisor







A Brief Intro to eBPF - 简介

- Extended Berkeley Packet Filter
- Kernel "virtual machine"
- Programmed in user space. Clover uses golang
- Modern design with better performance and lighter system resource consumption.
- Used for Tracing, Security, Dynamic networking (containers), and many more.







An Analogy: Continuous Deployment

regularly"

Automating a complex interconnected network bears some similarity to colonizing Mars, you begin first with a delivery vehicle that you can Launch, Land, Repeat reliably and cheaply.



Continuous Deployment 持续部署和自动化

- CI focuses primarily on automating the development process
- It manages code, test cases, bugs etc.
- At the end of CI pipeline, you get a package ready for deployment (Delivery)

- CD focuses primarily on automating the operation process of maintaining services
- It manages services, resources, upgrades, data etc.
- Cl and CD are closely related





Continuous Deployment 持续部署和自动化

- Spinnaker is a dedicated CD tool
- A/B
- Canary
- Blue/Green
- Integrate together to achieve Zero Touch automation





Diverse Target Computing Environment 多元部署环境







