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ONAP: DT and the use of OOM Helm Charts, Argo CD & Istio (Service Mesh)

Argofy everything 🧙🏻‍♂️ 🦄

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- This session will be recorded! Yeah 🙌

The presenter

- Florian Bachmann from Frankfurt
- Technical PO of the "System Team" of TNAP.
- My biggest challenge: *"I try to eat all the cake & chocolate of the world (only the good one)"*
- twitter.com/florianbachmann



- Flori got "Istio / Service Mesh" help from Andreas Geißler
- Architect in TNAP and Master of Helm Charts and Istio
- His biggest challenge: *"To have all Helm Charts Kohn/Istio compliant and somewhere deployed"*
- You can write him an email: andreas-geissler@telekom.de



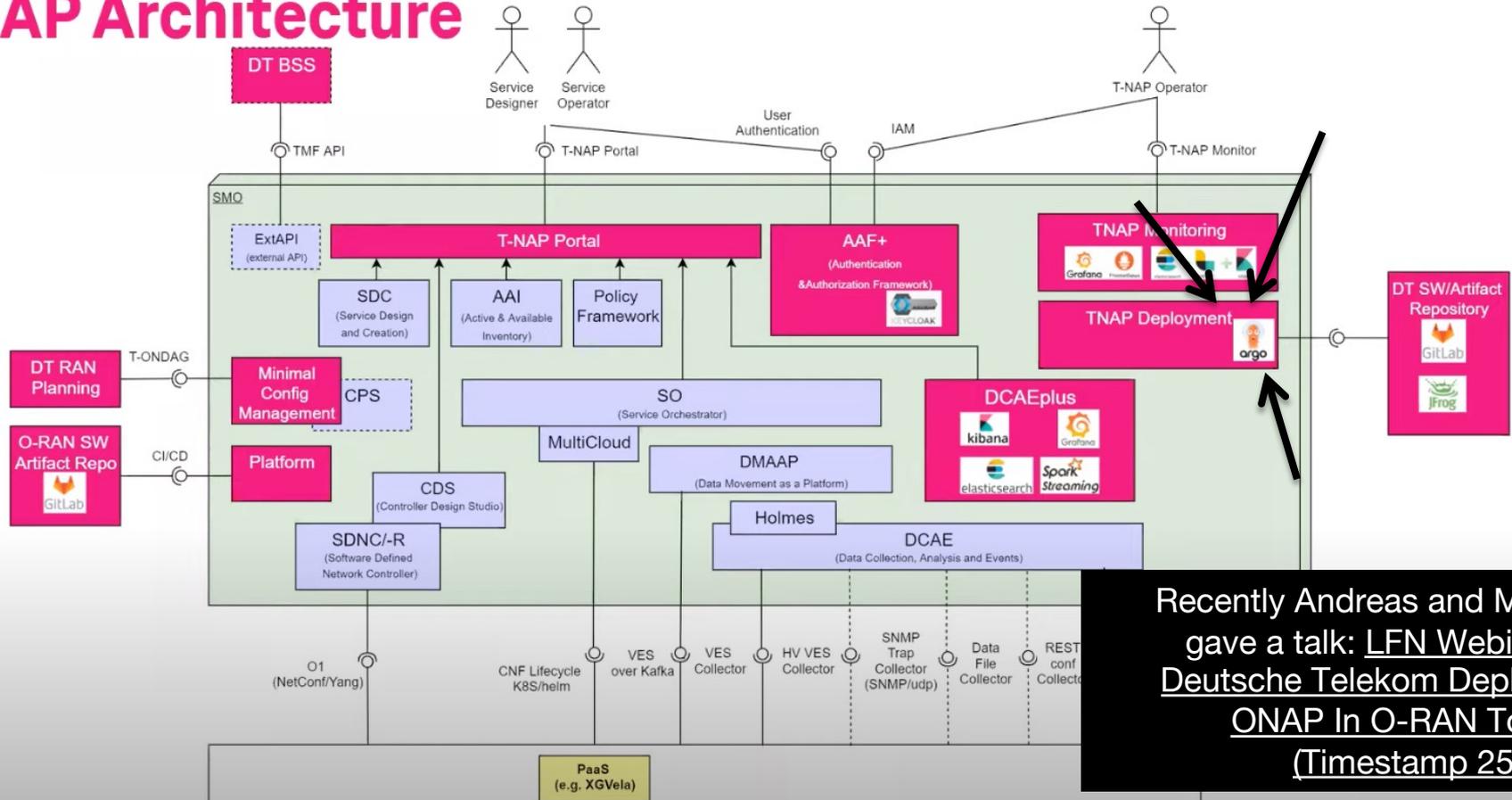
Agenda / Expectation

- What is Argo CD
- Demos Part 1 – How DT deploys ONAP with Argo CD
- Good to know:
 - 12 Factor Apps
 - DevOps
 - GitOps
 - Argo CD
 - Why Argo CD?!
 - Helm Charts & OOM
 - Service Mesh / Istio
 - Current Status: Service Mesh Kohn / TNAP
- Demos Part 2 – Istio
- Outlook: To many cluster, Cluster API for the rescue



ONAP at DT -> called TNAP

TNAP Architecture



Recently Andreas and Marc gave a talk: [LFN Webinar: Deutsche Telekom Deploys ONAP In O-RAN Town \(Timestamp 25:51\)](#)

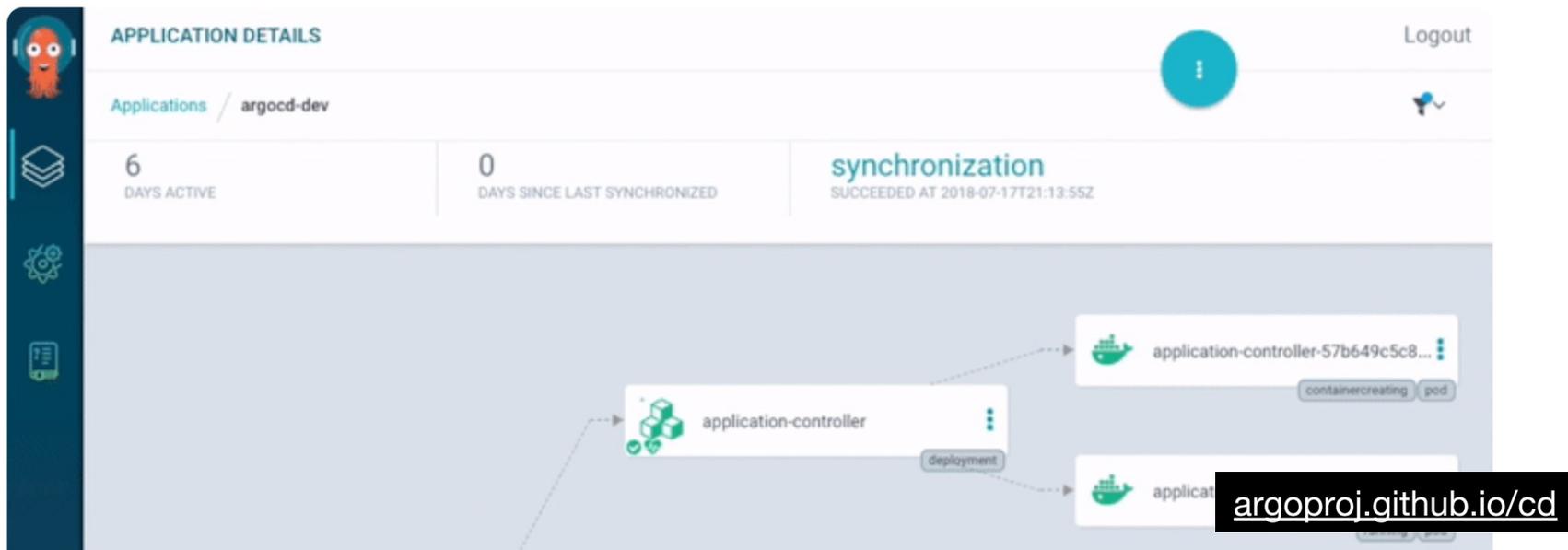
There is no CI/CD
There are CI and CD!

Argofy everything – (fluxyfy is fine as well)

The official Argo CD page

What is Argo CD?

Argo CD is a declarative, GitOps continuous delivery tool for Kubernetes.



The screenshot displays the Argo CD web interface for an application named 'argocd-dev'. The interface includes a sidebar with navigation icons, a top navigation bar with 'APPLICATION DETAILS' and 'Logout', and a main content area. The main content area shows the application's status: '6 DAYS ACTIVE', '0 DAYS SINCE LAST SYNCHRONIZED', and 'synchronization SUCCEEDED AT 2018-07-17T21:13:55Z'. Below this, a diagram shows the application's components: 'application-controller' (deployment) and 'application-controller-57b649c5c8...' (pod, containercreating).

argoproj.github.io/cd

1. The UI
2. Deploy a Gitlab runner into a k8s cluster
 - Just for learning and getting a feeling
 - start with version 0.33.0 update it later to 0.33.1
 - add it to all `kustomization.yaml`'s
3. Manually trying to change/destroy an existing ONAP component, e.g. `alpolicymanagement`



12 Factor Apps (<https://12factor.net/>)

- I. Codebase** One codebase tracked in revision control, many deploys
- II. Dependencies** Explicitly declare and isolate dependencies
- III. Config** Store config in the environment
- IV. Backing services** Treat backing services as attached resources
- V. Build, release, run** Strictly separate build and run stages
- VI. Processes** Execute the app as one or more stateless processes
- VII. Port binding** Export services via port binding
- VIII. Concurrency** Scale out via the process model
- IX. Disposability** Maximize robustness with fast startup and graceful shutdown
- X. Dev/prod parity** Keep development, staging, and production as similar as possible
- XI. Logs** Treat logs as event streams
- XII. Admin processes** Run admin/management tasks as one-off processes



```
In ONAP/TNAP OOM terms  
localCluster: true
```

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Let's define DevOps

DevOps defined

DevOps is a methodology in which teams own the entire process from application development to production operations, hence *DevOps*.

It goes beyond implementing a set of technologies and requires a complete shift in culture and processes.

DevOps calls for groups of engineers that work on small components (versus an entire feature), decreasing handoffs – a common source of errors.

<https://glossary.cncf.io/devops/>

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Let's define DevOps 

Let's define GitOps

What is GitOps and Why?

- Argo CD helps us, doing GitOps   
- what is GitOps, and why it is important, was perfectly answered by Cornelia Davis ([@cdavisafc](#)) in that talk:
 - KubeCon: GitOps Is Likely More Than You Think It Is - Cornelia Davis, Weaveworks
 - A more recent recorded version of that talk exists as well:
 - GitOps Is Likely More Than You Think It Is (only 34 55 views, I was three of them). Both talks are 99% similar, but the first one is more on point.
 - The slides of the two talks can be found [here](#)
- No more helm update

GitOps Principles



The entire system is described **declaratively**



The canonical desired system state is **versioned** in git



Approved changes can be **automatically applied** to the system



Software agents ensure correctness and perform actions on divergence in a closed loop



GitOps - Cloud Native Agility and Reliability

Solution

GitOps is a set of modern best practices for deploying and managing cloud native infrastructure and applications.

Based on our experience operating a full cloud native stack

GitOps manages the whole stack:

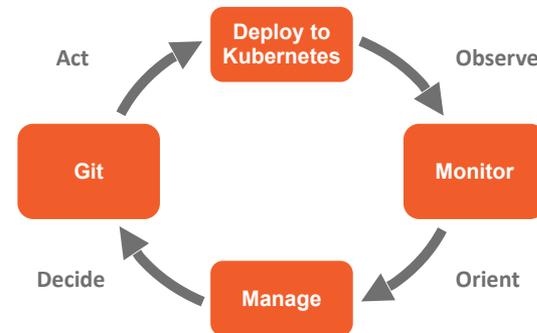
- Cluster and application versioned configuration
- Security and policy enforcement
- Monitoring and observability
- Continuous Deployment of workloads

Benefits

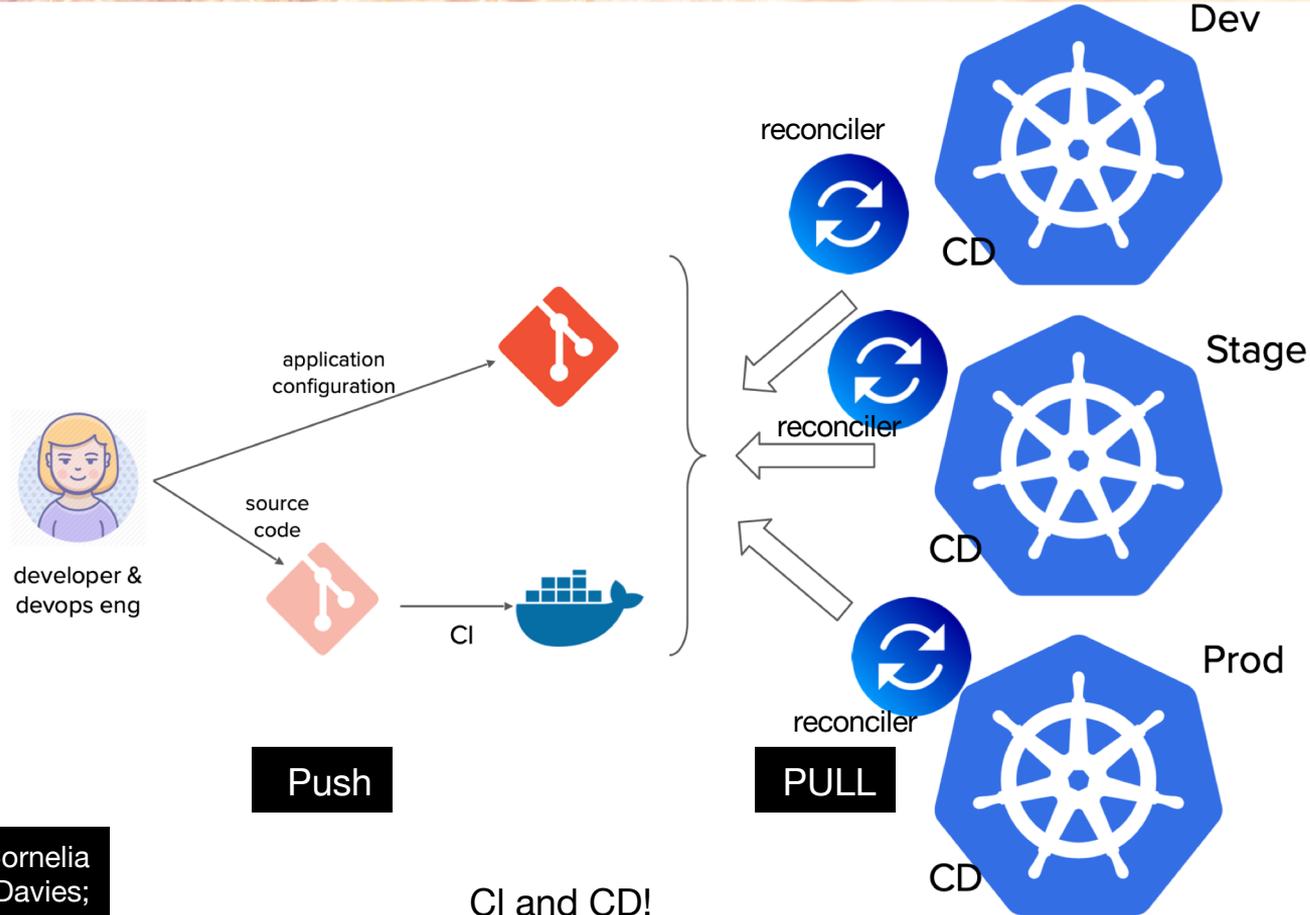
- **Complete platform:** Single platform for infrastructure, core components and applications.
- **Productivity:** Dramatically increase deployments and faster feedback and control loop,
- **Reliability:** Enables cluster and application operator model with standardised tooling.
- **Compliance and Security:** Enforces standard security policy and an audit trail
- **Multi-cloud and on-premise:** Deploy a complete cluster from git with all applications.

Vision

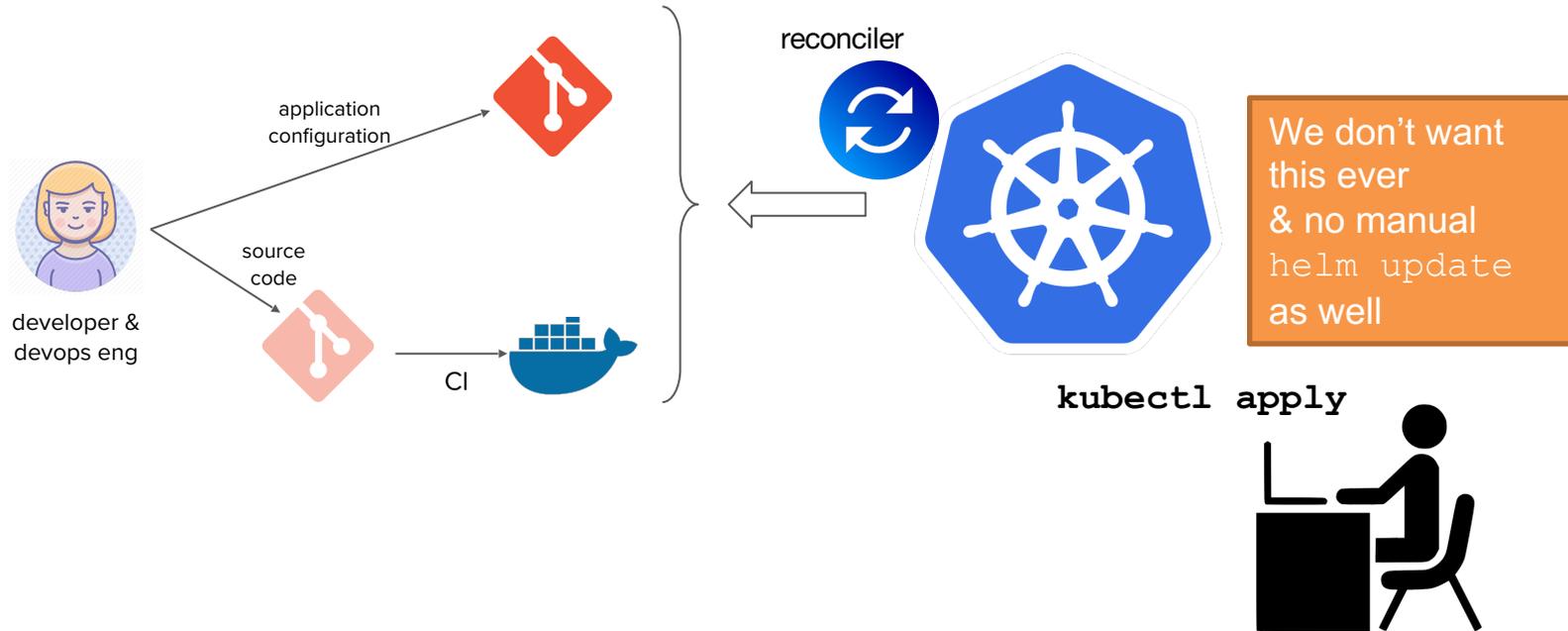
- All application deployments, application operations and cluster management operations under one platform with a common workflow.



GitOps - Cloud Native Agility and Reliability



Drift detection and remediation

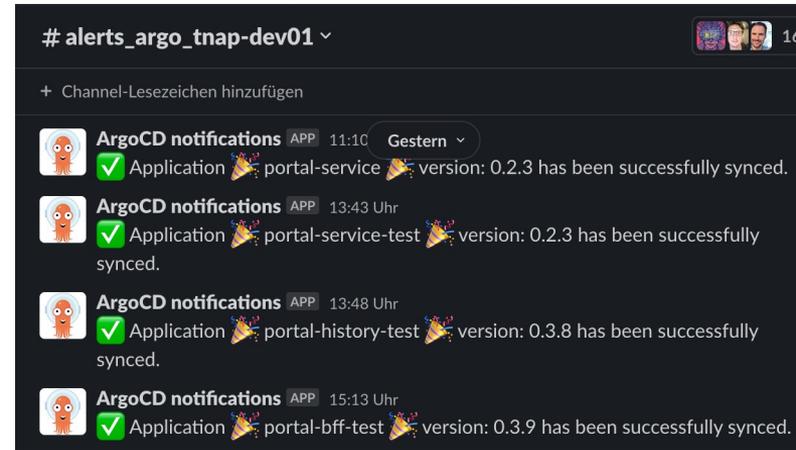


Why Argo?!

- Argo CD - a tool for CD, but what says the CNCF Landscape about it.
 - <https://landscape.cncf.io/>
- CNCF Landscape - Continuous Integration & Delivery
 - <https://landscape.cncf.io/card-mode?category=continuous-integration-delivery&grouping=category>
- There are at least 47 tools regarding CI & CD. (checked 11.01.2022)
 - <https://landscape.cncf.io/card-mode?category=continuous-integration-delivery&grouping=category>
- Why Argo and not Flux
 - [Flux CD joins forces with Argo CD project](#)
- And consider: CNCF - The Trail Map
 - https://raw.githubusercontent.com/cncf/trailmap/master/CNCF_TrailMap_latest.png

Outlook: GitOps - were we like to get better

- We got Slack notifications!



- were we like to get better:

- Pull Request Automatization

[GitOps Is Likely More Than You Think It Is - Cornelia Davis talk on Youtube / Slides \(slide 21 to 24 \)](#)

- hint <https://github.com/argoproj-labs/argocd-image-updater>

OOM from ONAP to TNAP

- OOM from ONAP
 - <https://gerrit.onap.org/r/gitweb?p=oom.git;a=tree;h=refs/heads/istanbul;hb=refs/heads/istanbul>
- ~~In our case, we split the OOM repo into several repos. One helm chart repo for each ONAP component.~~
- In our case, we have similar to ONAP everything in one git repo, because that is handled better by Argo

A git structure, similar to ONAP

 **onap-oom**  Project ID: 71650 

  Unstar 1  Fork 0

 132 Commits  14 Branches  25 Tags  3.2 MB Files  48.8 MB Storage  4 Releases

TNAP's oom project. This is the place for all ONAP helm charts needed by TNAP

master  onap-oom / 

 History  Find file  Web IDE   Clone

 Update policy/components/policy-api/templates/configmap.yaml,...   6cd06fda 

 florian.hagemann@talence.com authored 3 days ago

-  Upload File
-  README
-  CI/CD configuration
-  Add LICENSE
-  Add CHANGELOG
-  Add CONTRIBUTING
-  Add Kubernetes cluster
-  Configure Integrations

Name	Last commit	Last update
 a1policymangement	change kubernetes version to 1.22.5	1 month ago
 aaf	change kubernetes version to 1.22.5	1 month ago
 aai	Update AAI (https://gerrit.onap.org/r/c/oo...)	1 week ago
 cds	UPdate CDS charts with patch (https://ger...)	3 weeks ago
 common	Update according to patch:	1 week ago

Several places to set values (demo)

onap-oom
Project ID: 71650

132 Commits 14 Branches

change cds secret to onap-sdnc
florian.hagemann@tallence.com authored 4 days ago

Community values

application-charts > onap-oom

master onap-oom / onap /

change cds secret to onap-sdnc
florian.hagemann@tallence.com authored 4 days ago

Name TNAP global overwrites (applies to all deployed clusters)

global.kubeVersion v1.19.0

global.mariadbImage bitnami/mariadb:10.5.8

global.masterPassword OOFgatingPassword

global.metrics.custom_resources false

global.metrics.enabled true

global.msbEnabled true

In Argo CD, we see the customized values indicated by a hammer emoji

Upload File README

Add Kubernetes cluster

Name

- a1policymangement
- aaf
- aai
- cds
- common

- values-a1policymangement
- values-aaf.yaml
- values-aai.yaml
- values-cds.yaml
- values-contrib.yaml
- values-cps.yaml
- values-dcaegen2-services
- values-dcaegen2.yaml
- values-dmaap.yaml

argo-management
tnap/development/argo-management

main

oof

- kustomization.yaml
- patch_masterPassword...

```
1 ---
2
3 /v1alpha1
4 metadata:
5   name: oof
6   namespace: argocd
7 spec:
8   source:
9     helm:
10       parameters:
11         - name: "global.masterPassword"
12           value: "OOFgatingPassword"
13
```

TNAP "local" cluster specific overwrites

Define service mesh (CNCF definition)

“In a [microservices](#) world, apps are broken down into multiple smaller [services](#) that communicate over a network.

Just like your wifi network, computer networks are intrinsically unreliable, hackable, and often slow.

Service meshes address this new set of challenges by managing traffic (i.e., communication) between services and adding [reliability](#), [observability](#), and security features uniformly across all services.”

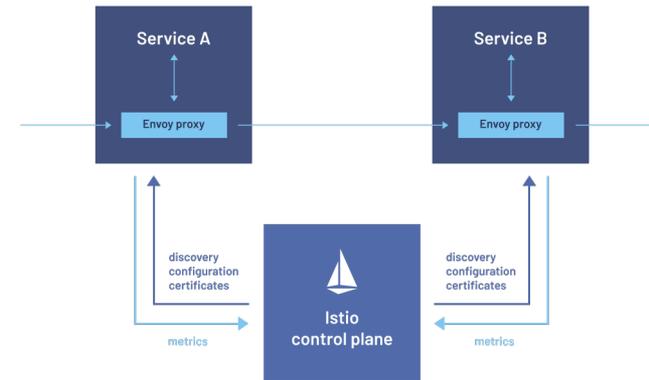
```
(hello localCluster: true)
```

<https://glossary.cncf.io/devops/>



Define Istio service mesh? (advertisement)

- “Simplify observability, traffic management, security, and policy with the leading service mesh.”
<https://istio.io/>
- Istio extends Kubernetes to establish a programmable, application-aware network using the powerful Envoy service proxy.



Define Istio service mesh? (simplified)

- Networking is typically more important than majority of the people think it is
- Service mesh (and actually even Kubernetes itself) is "just" encapsulating complex networking concepts and making it work for specific purpose
- Service Mesh did not invent something that did not exist, but it simplified complex operations and made them more hands-off.
 - From that perspective, it is similar to Docker.
 - Docker did not "invent" containers, but made them simpler to create and manage.
- A service mesh is a way to control the flow of data - it is a way to control how applications interact with each other.
- Service Mesh manages communication between microservices

Why aims TNAP to use Istio/Service Mesh

- Get rid of:
 - Kong & Traefik (used at TNAP for Ingress & RBAC)
 - AAF 🦸 🦸 🦸 🦸
 - 51 config maps with same script `retrieval_check.sh`
 - MSB
 - Message Router
- We want:
 - better RBAC
 - all the other obvious Service Mesh features, like: Observability, Discoverability, Encryption, Traffic MGMT, Canary Releases, A/B/X testing
 - Awesome Service Discovery!

What we did, to enable Istio in TNAP

```
$ kubectl get ns onap --show-labels
```

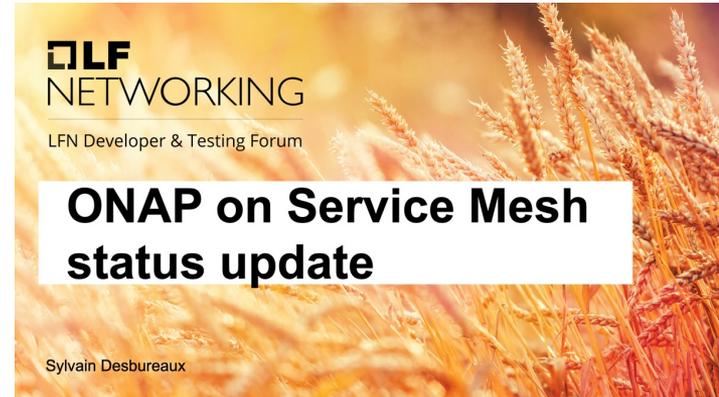
NAME	STATUS	AGE	LABELS
default	Active	37m	<none>

```
$ kubectl label ns onap istio-injection=enabled
```

```
# In the OOM YAMLS:  
serviceMesh:  
  enabled: true  
  tls: true
```

Status of SM PoC in Jakarta

- Last status shown in DDF
[2022-01-13 - ONAP: ONAP on Service Mesh status update](#)
- Four steps defined by Sylvain
 - Step 1 - Certificates
 - Step 2 - Authorization
 - Step 3 - simple RBAC
 - Step 4 - full RBAC



[ONAP on Service Mesh](#) (Wiki)

Kohn Status of ONAP Service Mesh (2 / 2)

Step 1 - Certificates:

- Deployment of ONAP in “Istio” enabled system
- Requirements:
 - a) The component disable AAF integration (if any) (+ disable MSB integration)
 - b) The component must listen on HTTP/gRPC (no HTTPs)
 - c) The component must talk to other components using HTTP (no HTTPs)
 - d) Add Istio Gateway configuration for external component access

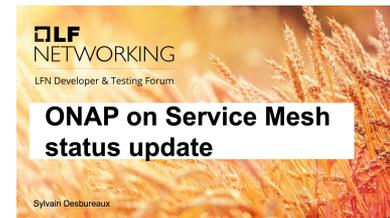
Step 2 - Authorization:

- OOM:
 - Create `AuthorizationPolicies` that will authorize some components to talk to others
 - Specific service account per subcomponent must be created (Done)
- Component:
 - Disable MSB integration
 - Internal components disable „basicAuth“

Step 3 - simple RBAC & Step 4 - full RBAC:

- `AuthorizationPolicy`

All the Service Mesh CRs:
https://gerrit.onap.org/r/q/topic:%2522service_mesh%2522



[ONAP on Service Mesh \(Wiki\)](#)

	ONAP OOM deployment	TNAP Deployment
Installation Method	Helm installation on OOM charts using Integration Chains (chained_ci)	Deployment using kubespray We are using Istio over Helm installation
DB setup	Shared Cassandra, MariaDB-Galera, Postgres	Separate DBs per Component (localCluster: true)
Kubespray	2.17	2.18.1
Helm	v3.6.3	v3.7.1
Kubernetes	v1.21.5	v1.22.5
Istio	1.10.2	1.13.1

Step 1: Status of components (1 / 3)

Component	a) remove AAF/MSB	b) HTTP listen	c) HTTP talk	Remarks	CR
Strimzi	✓	✓	✓	Kafka Brokers run with Sidecar	128335 (M)
Cassandra	✓	✓	✓		
MariaDB	✓	✓	✓	Port 4568 Sidecar disabled Port 3306 Peer Authentication disabled	128371 (M) 129175 (M)
Postgres	✓	✓	✓	Patch for ETCD+Postgres	129188 (A)
DMAAP	✗	✓	✓	AAF is still running, 1 open point with DMAAP (the contributor of DMAAP needs to provide the patch)	128715 (A) 129323 (WIP)
AAI	✓	✓	✓		129267 (A)
SDC	✓	✓	✓		122426 (M)

Step 1: Status of components (2 / 3)

Component	a) remove AAF/MSB	b) HTTP listen	c) HTTP talk	Remarks	CR
SO	✓	✓	✓		128994 (A)
MultiCloud	✓	✓	✗	multicloud-k8s/framework-artifactbroker: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• SDC Client is not updated (1.3.0 – no http support)• „disable MSB“ has to be checked	129266 (A) MULTICLOUD-1476
CDS	✓	✓	✓		128992 (A)
Policy	✗	✗	✗	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• policy-distribution does not handle parameter „isUseHttpsWithSDC“• policy-clamp-be required „encrypted“ SDC passwd	128543 (WIP) POLICY-4226
CPS	✓	✓	✓		124287 (M)
SDNC	✓	✓	✗	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• sdnc-ueb-listener does not handle parameter „isUseHttpsWithSDC“	129471 (A) (Elastic) 129439 (WIP)

Step 1: Status of components (3 / 3)

Component	a) remove AAF/MSB	b) HTTP listen	c) HTTP talk	Remarks	CR
DCAEGEN2				- Not started 	
DCAEGEN2-Services				- Not started 	
DCAEMOD				- Not started 	
VFC				- Not started 	
UII				- Not started 	
NBI				- Not started 	
A1Policy Manager				- Not started 	

- Istiofy all tools/ONAP/TNAP components to work with current Istio
- Next TNAP steps:
 1. enable Istio ingress
 2. and have it in parallel with TNAP Traefik & Kong
 3. then migrate all the routes
 4. and then get rid of Traefik & Kong
 5. ... see what happens 😊



Next steps after the next steps:
We want to get rid of the envoy proxy
& go for eBPF/Cillium (just using plain
kernel modules), e.g. <https://merbridge.io/>

1. Istio & Kiali



To many cluster

- How to manage & operate(!) all the clusters (and that shows only our LAB environments)
- More cluster = More problems

Project Name	VCPUs	Disk	RAM	VCPU Hours	Disk GB Hours	Memory MB Hours
central-vault	2	40GB	4GB	68,86	1373,17	140613,04
dev01-tesla-test	160	2,3TB	632GB	158,50	2302,70	639757,78
developers	178	4,4TB	388GB	6110,63	154619,41	13639464,88
onap-03-ta5	74	1,4TB	276GB	2540,37	50807,45	9702299,62
onap-daily-istanbul	74	1,4TB	276GB	2540,37	50807,45	9702299,62
onap-daily-jakarta	74	1,4TB	276GB	19,65	392,91	74519,64
onap-daily-master	74	1,4TB	276GB	502,40	10047,92	1918232,78
onap-istanbul	75	1,5TB	278GB	2574,70	51494,03	9772606,14
onap-istanbul-02	74	1,4TB	276GB	2540,37	50807,45	9702299,62
onap-jakarta-01	74	1,4TB	276GB	2540,37	50807,45	9702299,62
onap-test-istio	34	680GB	116GB	29,06	581,17	101336,93
oran-mavenir	309	2,6TB	498GB	10607,77	91659,38	17506323,23
systemteam-dev	94	1,8TB	364GB	3226,96	64539,19	12795786,46
ta5-mngnt	60	1,2TB	232GB	1039,63	20792,51	4116358,62
temp-01-servicemesh	92	1,8TB	360GB	3158,30	63166,01	12655173,42
temp-02-rke-test	52	1TB	168GB	1785,13	35702,53	5905747,60
tnap-cnfs	32	640GB	160GB	1098,54	21970,79	5624521,52
tnap-dev-01	160	2,3TB	632GB	5492,70	79644,10	22216860,00
tnap-dev-02	160	2,3TB	632GB	5492,70	79644,10	22216860,00
tnap-dev-03	92	1,8TB	360GB	3158,30	63166,01	12655173,42
tnap-dev-04	92	1,8TB	360GB	3158,30	63166,01	12655173,42
tnap-dev-monitoring	92	1,8TB	360GB	3158,30	63166,01	12655173,42
tnap-integration	124	1,8TB	488GB	4256,84	63166,01	17154790,63
tnap-monitoring	132	2TB	504GB	4531,47	68658,71	17717242,79
tnap-robot	34	680GB	395GB	1167,20	23343,96	13885537,50
tnap-sys-ks	92	1,8TB	360GB	1520,48	30409,55	6092468,92

- We try to make ONAP/TNAP deployment independent from the k8s cluster
- ONAP/TNAP should work with and without Istio
- We will fully embrace Cluster API, to have a proper cluster lifecycle management
- The target a two step process (as kind of atomic op):
 - To be able to create k8s with ONAP (but tailored to the ONAP requirements) with ClusterAPI (managed by Argo)
 - To have ONAP managed by Argo deployable to any K8s cluster, that fits the ONAP requirements

Cluster API teaser



- Provision of declarative APIs for cluster creation, configuration, and management.

Cluster API - Abstractions

Kubernetes



Pod



ReplicaSet



Deployment

Cluster API



Machine



MachineSet



MachineDeployment



Cluster



ControlPlane

If you know `kubectl`, you know `clusterctl`

`clusterctl init`

Installs the cluster API components in target cluster to make it into a management cluster

`clusterctl upgrade`

Upgrades cluster API and provider components installed in the management cluster

`clusterctl delete`

Deletes provider components from the management cluster

`clusterctl move`

Moves Cluster API objects between management clusters

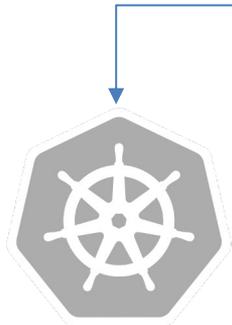
Cluster API – what we like to achieve



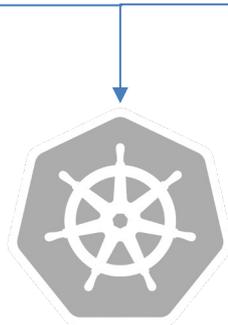
TNAP Management cluster
(powered by ClusterAPI)



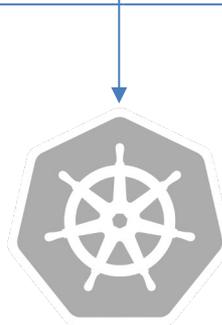
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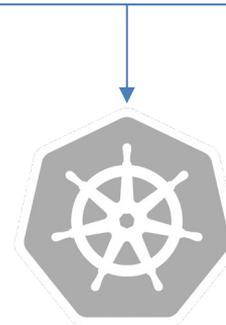
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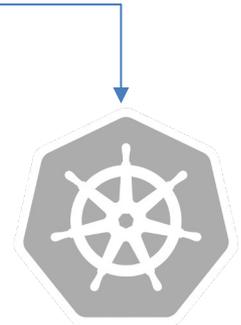
tnap-dev02



tnap-integration



onap-daily-jakarta



onap-istanbul

Target clusters



Thanks!

Questions? 🤔🧐