Connecting Engineering Data with

KiWi

About Me!

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- Born in the Himalayan Valley
- I love math and writing code
- MSc Computer Science graduate from Trinity College Dublin
- Kubernetes Certified Application Developer
- At Koneksys since April 2021:
 - Built ML pipelines on Kubeflow
 - Built data transformation pipeline between 2 non-compatible cloud storage platforms
 - Main developer behind Kiwi

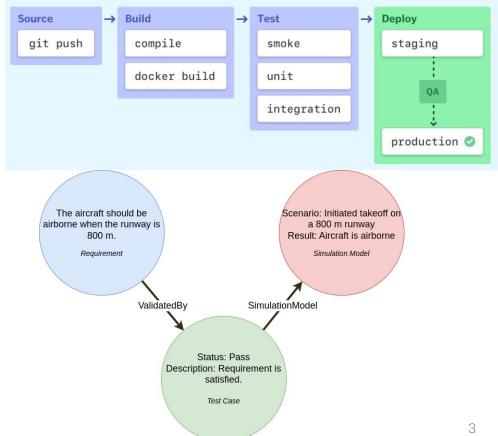


Why Connect Data

- In multidisciplinary engineering contexts, to build non-linear CI/CD pipelines for
 - Increased Automation
 - Faster Error Detection

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 Feedback Loops (Have all test cases passed after change in requirement?)



Solution: Kiwi

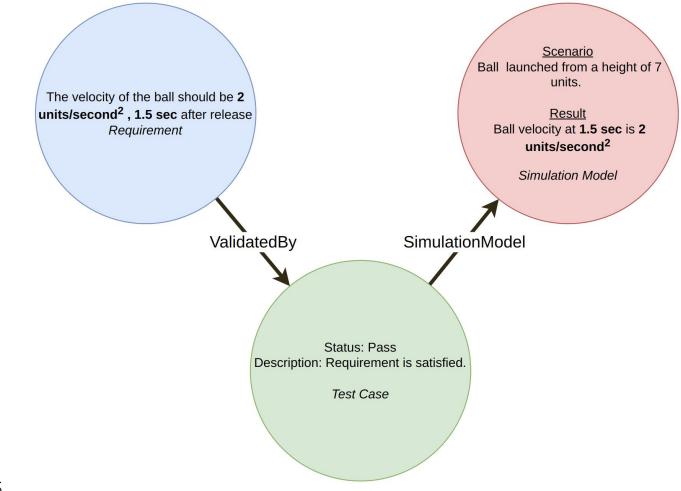
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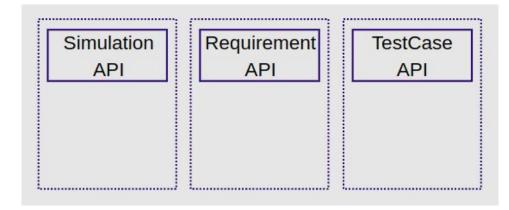






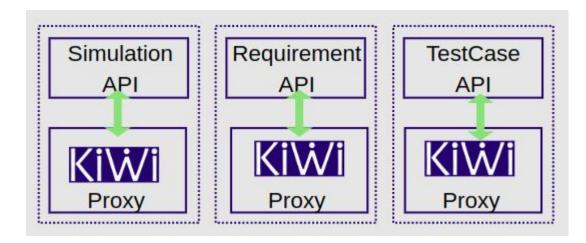
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Our APIs

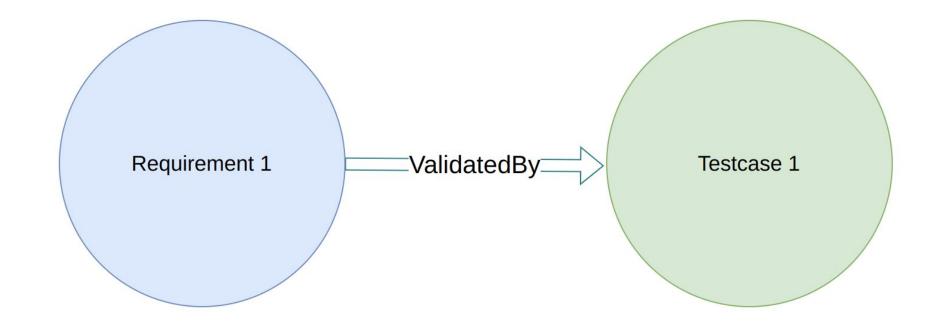




Kiwi proxy

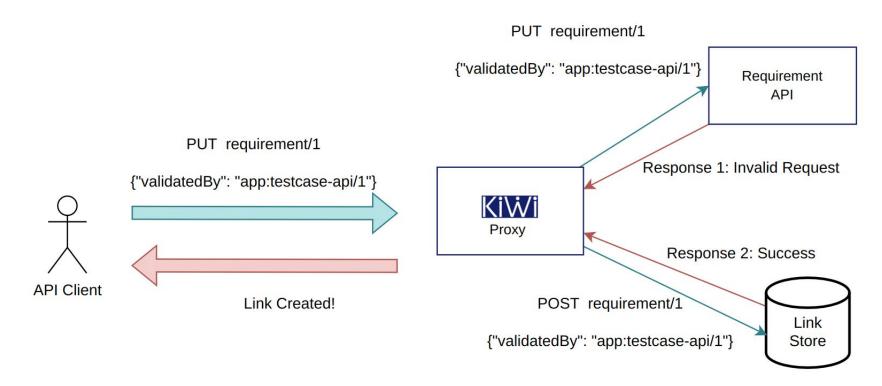




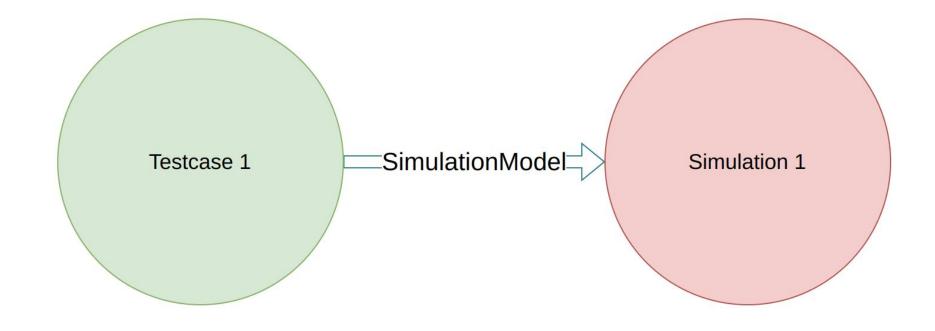




Kiwi proxy - Link Creation

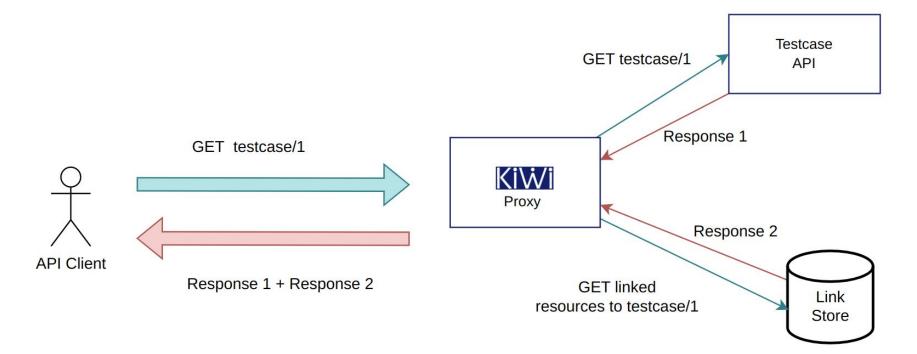








Kiwi proxy - Link Discovery



Change in Requirement

Limitations of Connecting REST API resources

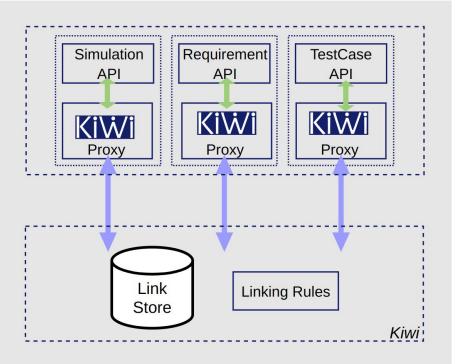
- REST APIs conform to specific schemas not allowing the addition of new links to existing resources.
- Questions to answer:
 - Can we have centrally defined linking rules to avoid chaos?
 - Can we have a centralized link store?
 - How to achieve centralized configuration management?



Kiwi Control Plane

```
"app:requirement-api": [
  "link_type": "validatedBy",
  "link_target": "app:testcase-api",
  "multiplicity":"N"
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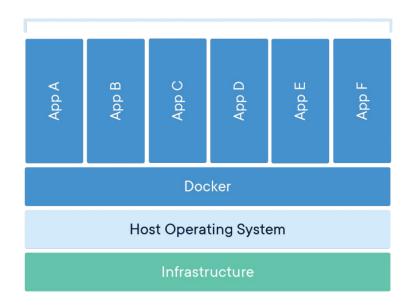


Kubernetes

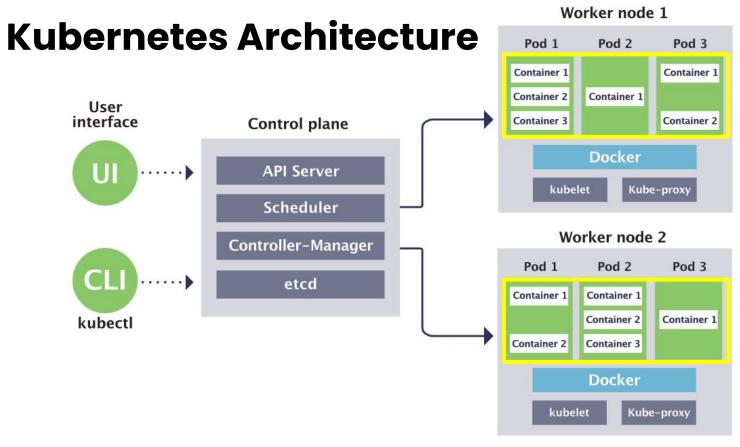
Kubernetes - platform to deploy <u>containerized</u> applications.

What are containerized applications?

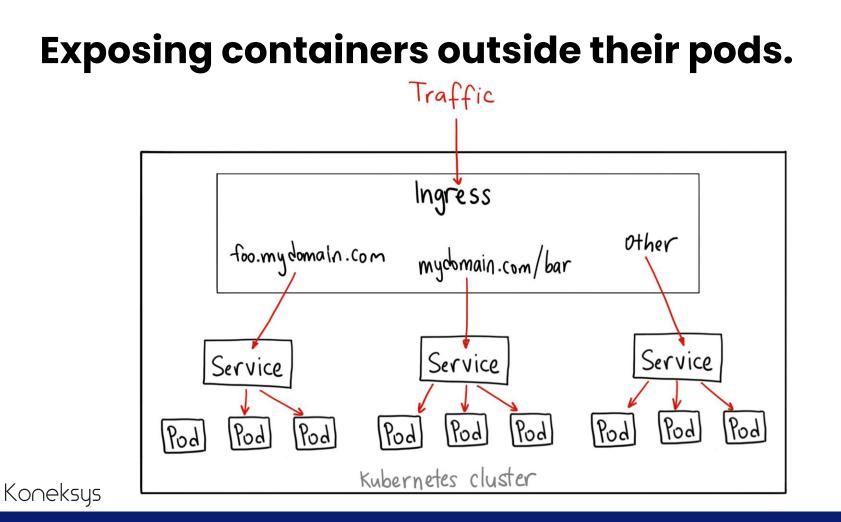
" A container is a standard unit of software that packages up code and all its dependencies so the application runs quickly and reliably from one computing environment to another "



Containerized Applications



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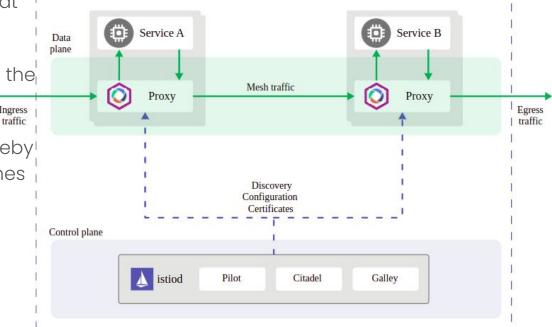
Managing Services <u>Istio</u>

Istio Architecture

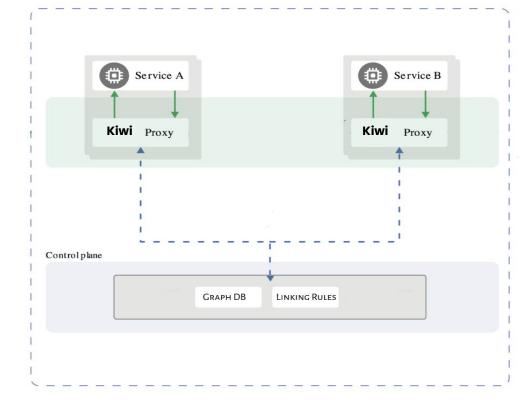
Data Plane: Envoy Proxies for services that intercept network traffic.

<u>Control Plane</u>: Configures and Manages the envoy proxies.

Traffic management and routing is thereby taken over by envoy proxies and becomes centralized.



Kiwi Architecture





Next Steps

- As kiwi employes the automatic sidecar deployment in Kubernetes, it can only be used for REST APIs hosted on a Kubernetes cluster. Explore ways in which Kiwi can be employed outside of Kubernetes.
- **All** REST APIs are hosted on the same Kubernetes cluster. Can we link resource across different clusters?



Summary

- Kiwi connects resources in different REST APIs **without** any modification to the resources in the REST APIs.
- Kiwi uses sidecar proxies to achieve linking resources.
- Kiwi manages link store and linking configuration centrally via the control plane. It is heavily inspired by Isitio's service mesh architecture.
- Kiwi can only be used if all REST APIs reside on the same kubernetes cluster.



Thanks!

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