

Advanced Security on Kubernetes with Istio

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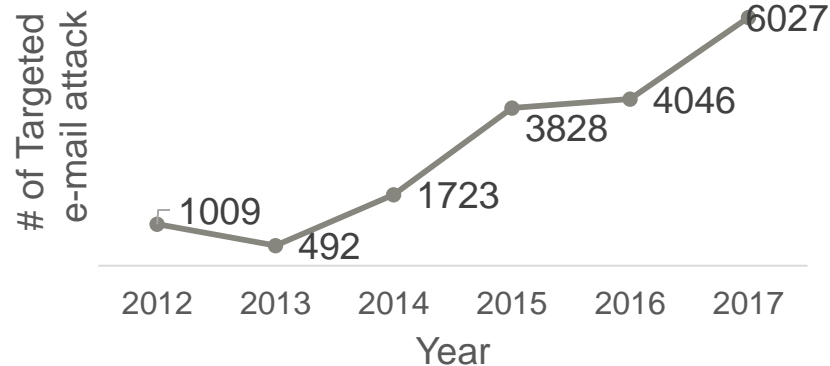
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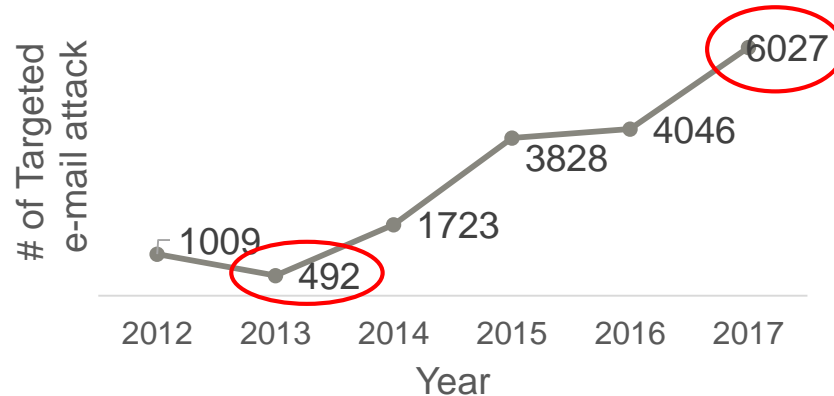
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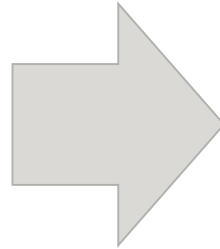
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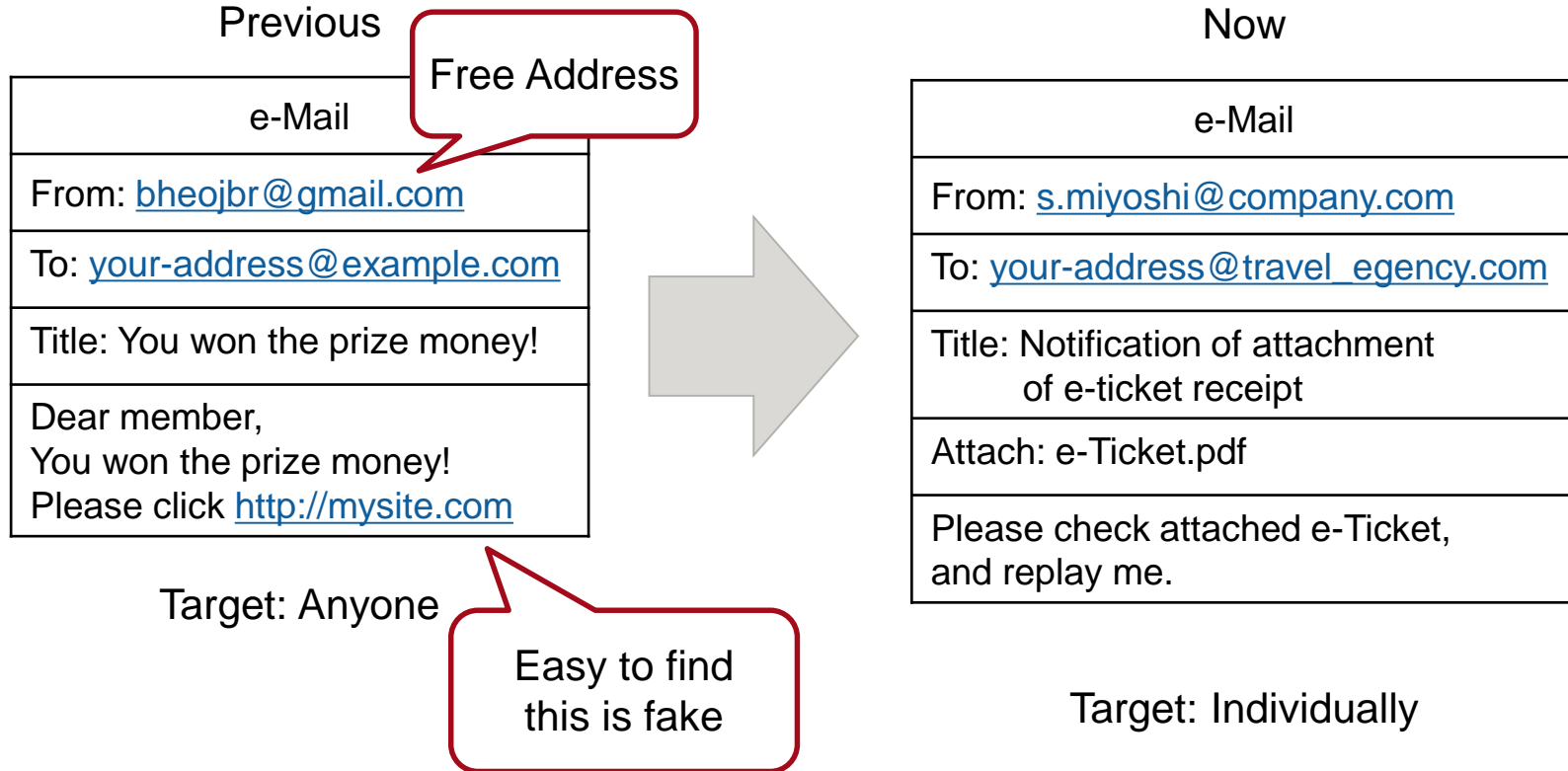


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e-Mail
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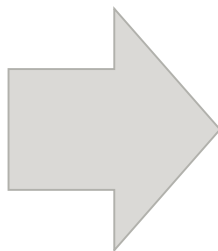
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Forge to
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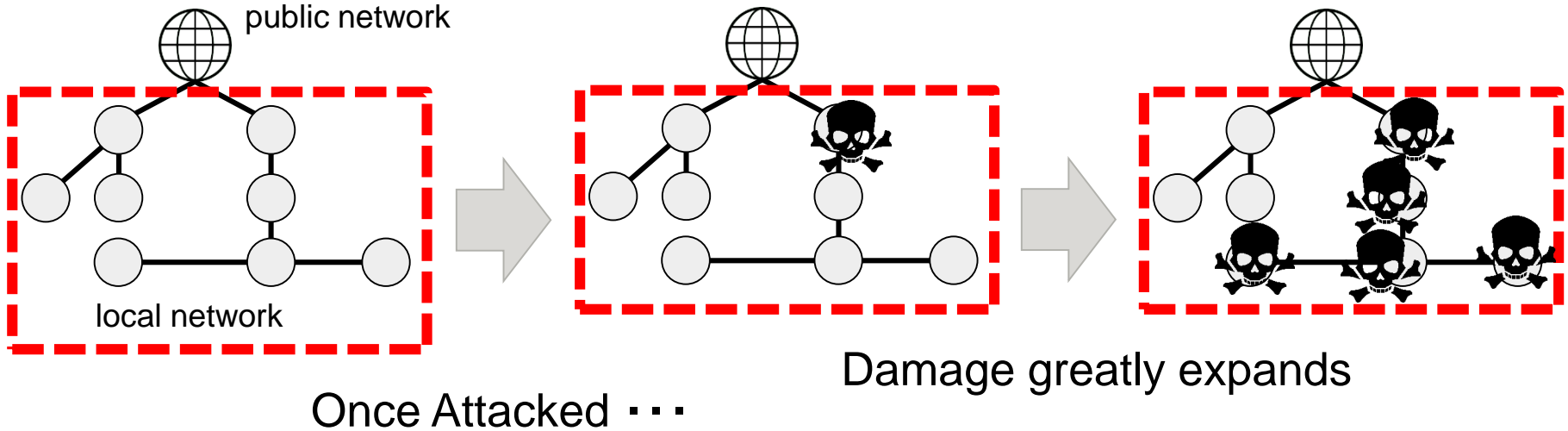
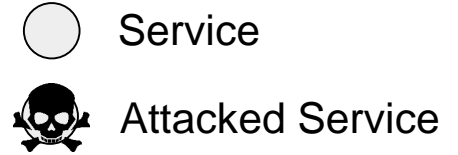
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Conventional Network

■ Firewall-based Security

- Policy: Inside a local network is safety



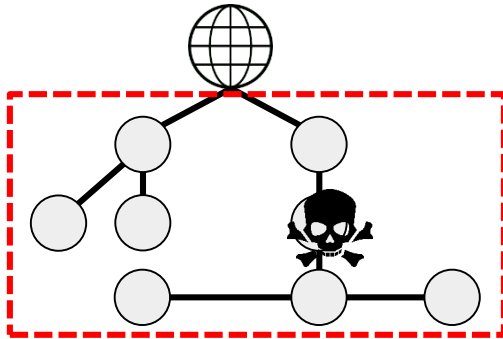
■ Zero Trust Network Model

- Concept: **Never Trust, Always verify**

Ex. Service 'X' is really Service 'X'?, Data is not wiretapped?, Authorized?

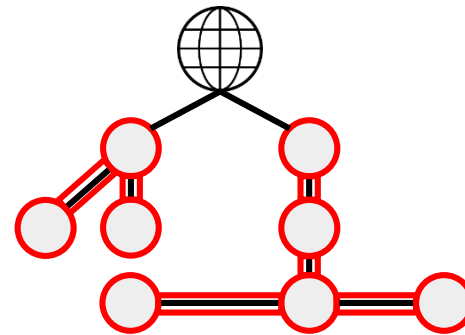
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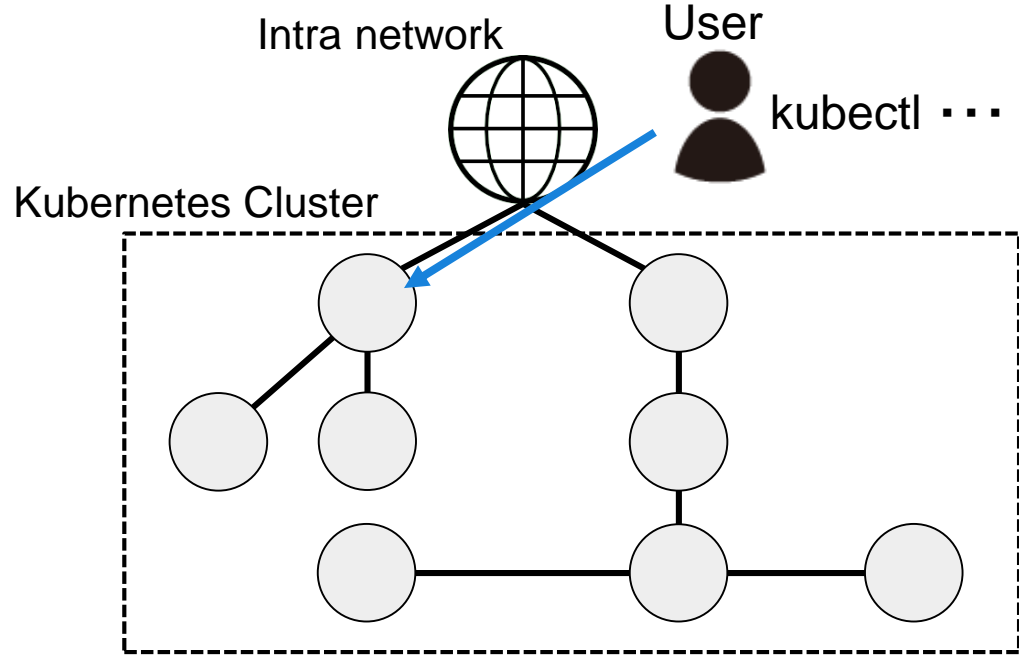
- we never know where the enemy is
- Zero Trust Network Model



— protecting-line

Zero Trust Network in Kubernetes

■ Image of Kubernetes



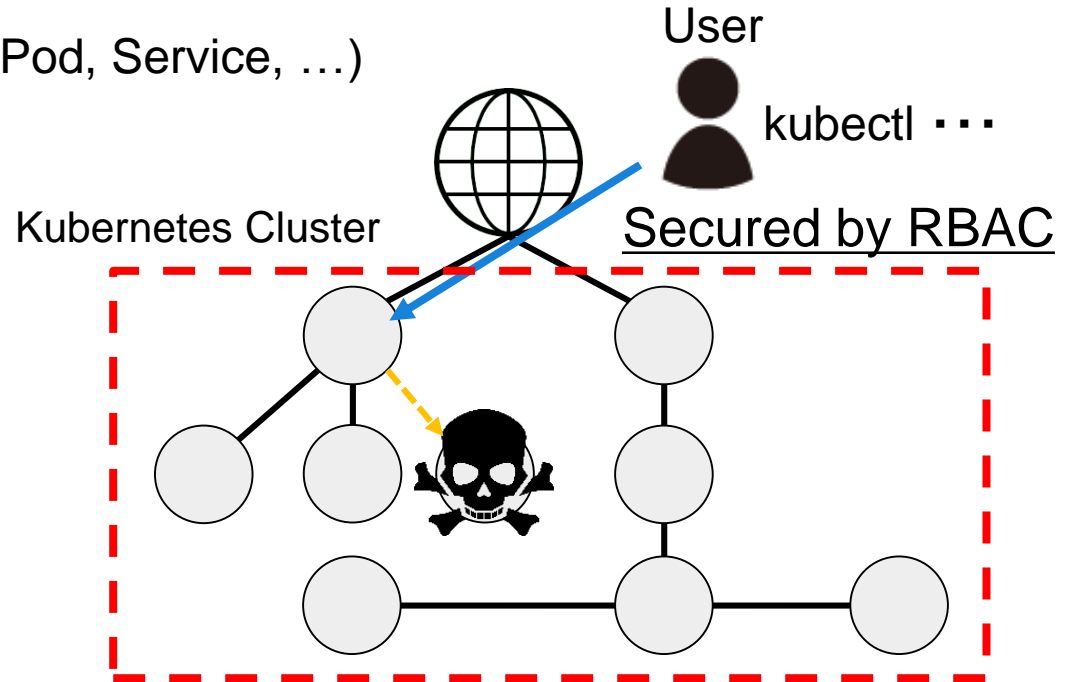
■ Role Based Access Control(RBAC)

- Access Control: User → Cluster

Ex. allow get/edit resources(Pod, Service, ...)
of Namespace 'A'

→ Unsafe yet

- Wiretap from other Service
- Spoofing of Regular Service

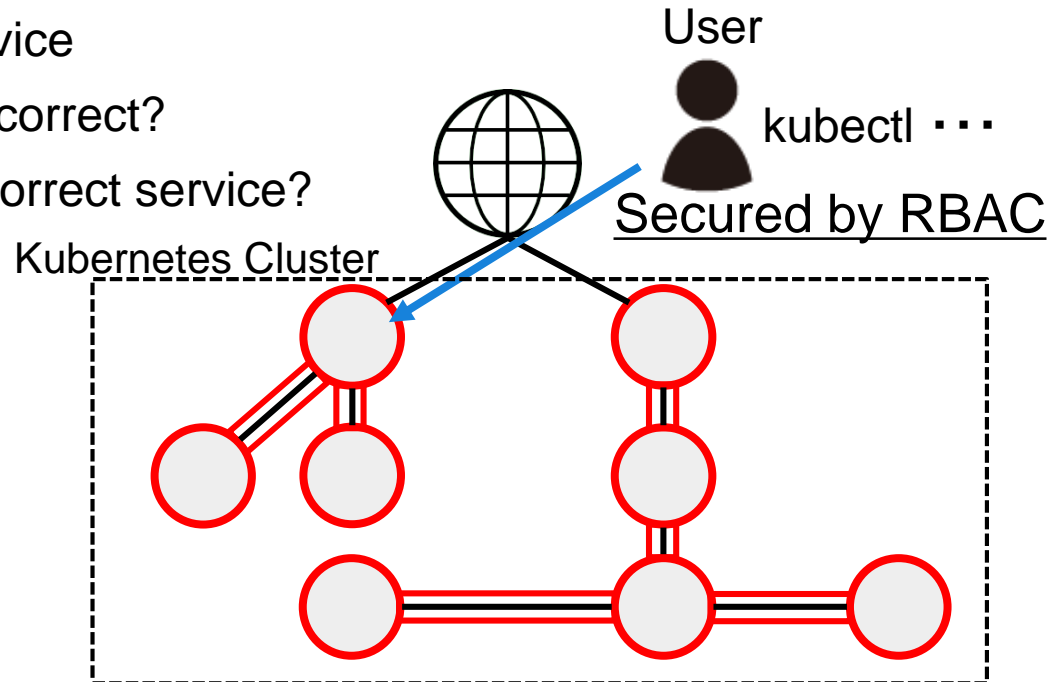


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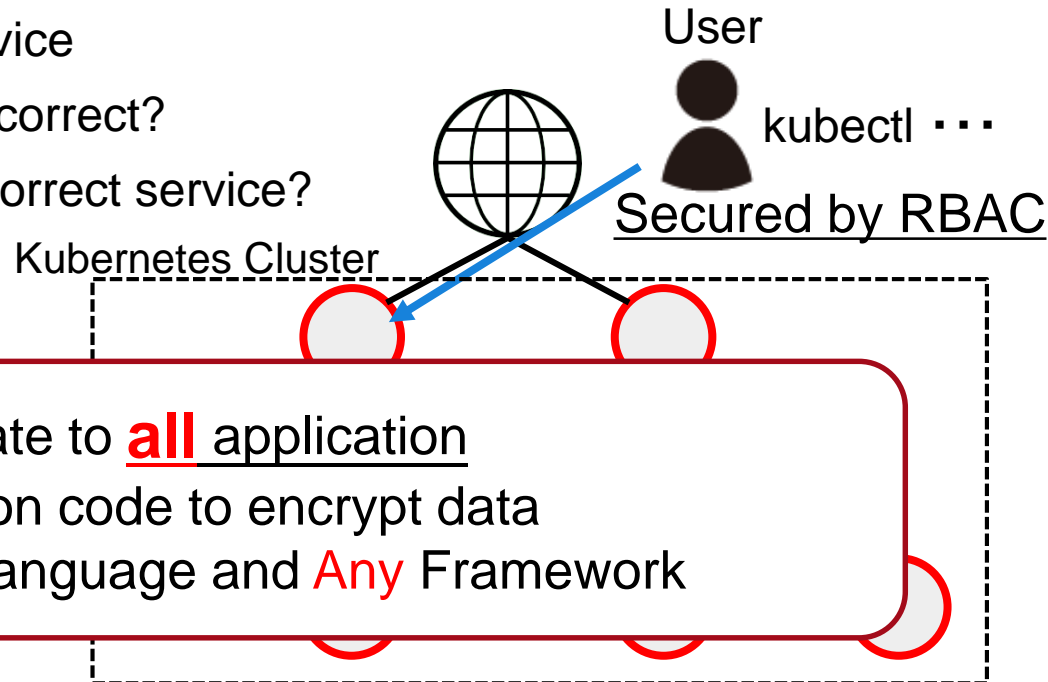


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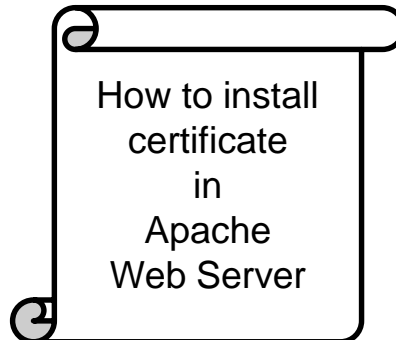
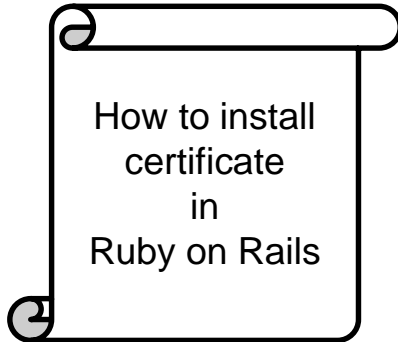
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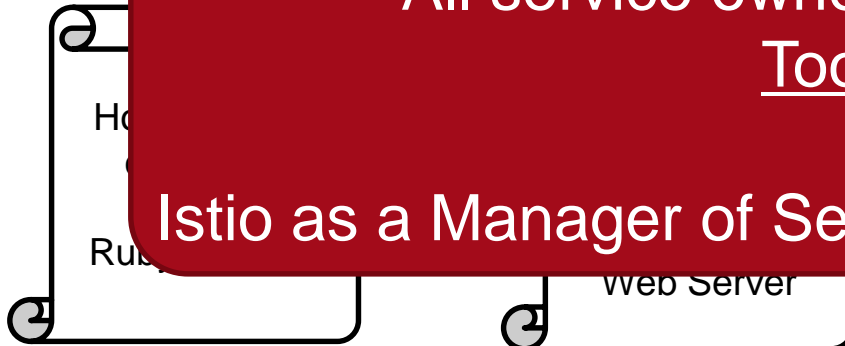
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All service owner must manage them

Too hard ...



Istio as a Manager of Service Communication Security



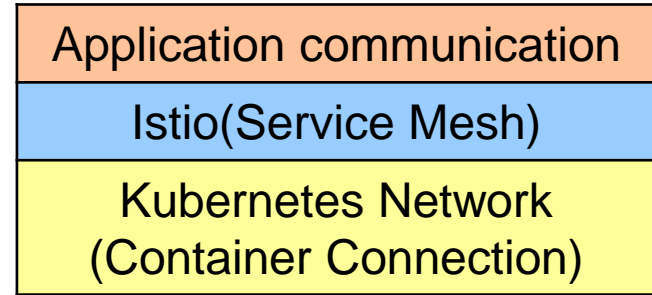
Istio

■ What's Istio?

- Network Infrastructure for services communication
- Improve services communication
without application code changing

■ Features

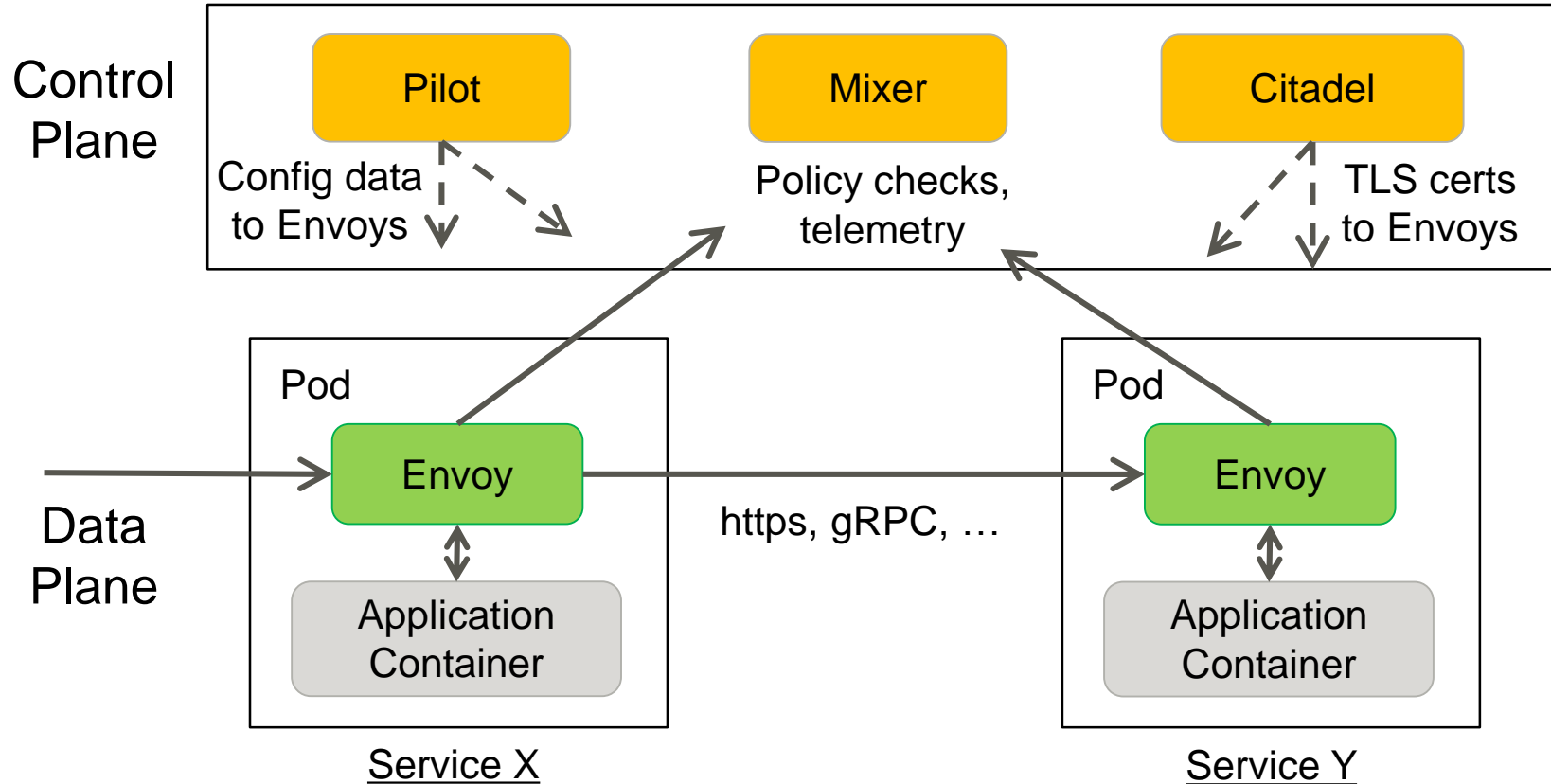
- Traffic Management
- Policy Enforcement
- Observability
- Security



Network Layer Stack



Istio Architecture

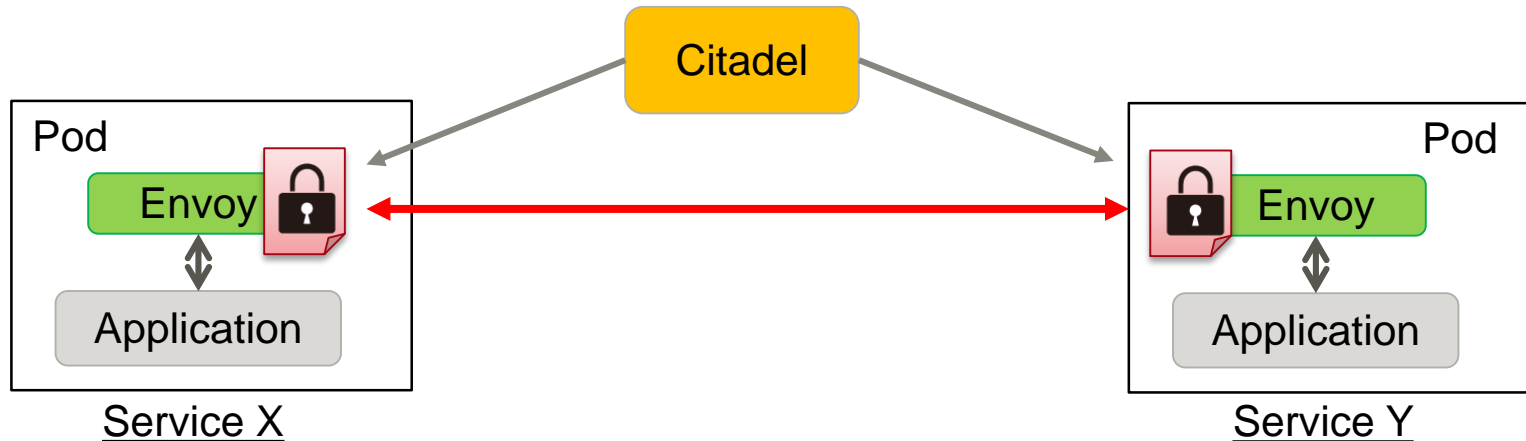


■ How Istio secures communication between services

1. Distribute Certificate to Envoy from Citadel
2. Secure Communication with the Certificate

※ Citadel manage certificate

- **Automate** key and certificate generation, distribution, rotation, and revocation

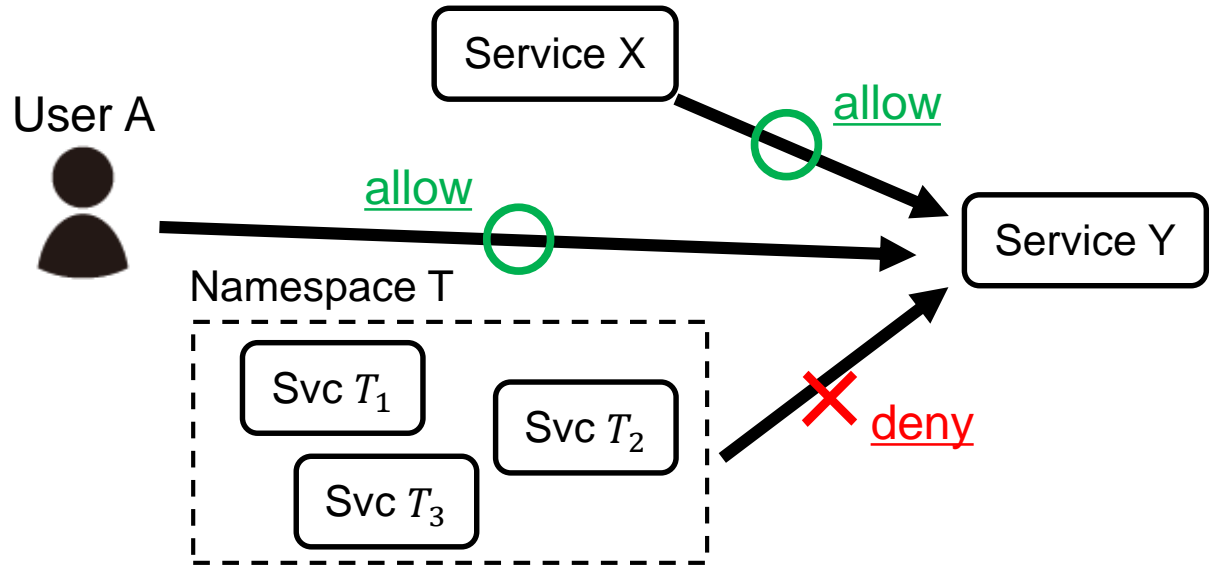


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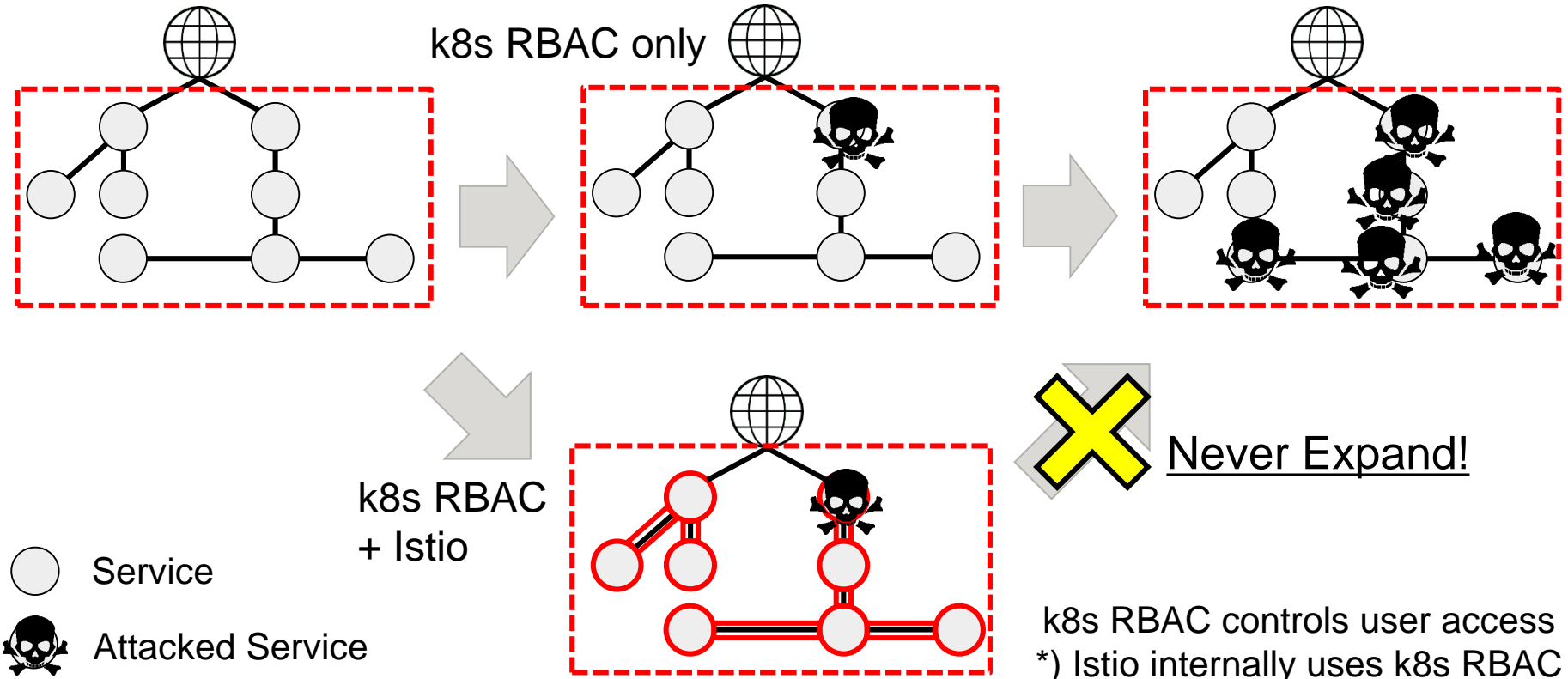
■ Authorize

- Service to Service
- End User to Service

Istio RBAC Policy	
Service X	allow
User A	allow
Namespace T	deny



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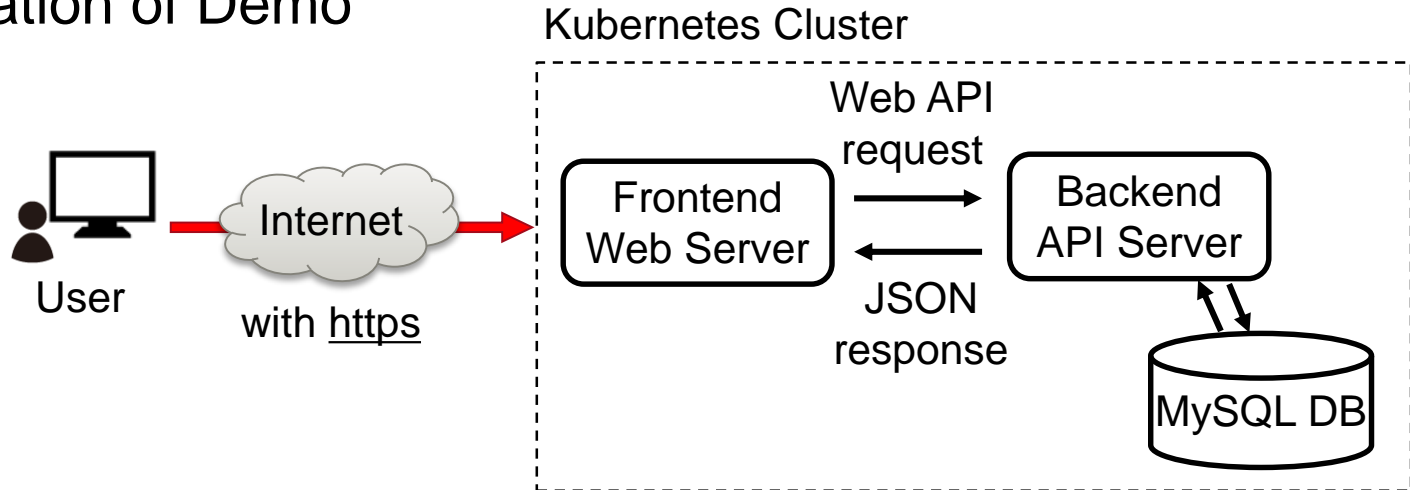
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*source code: <https://github.com/sh-miyoshi/sectest>

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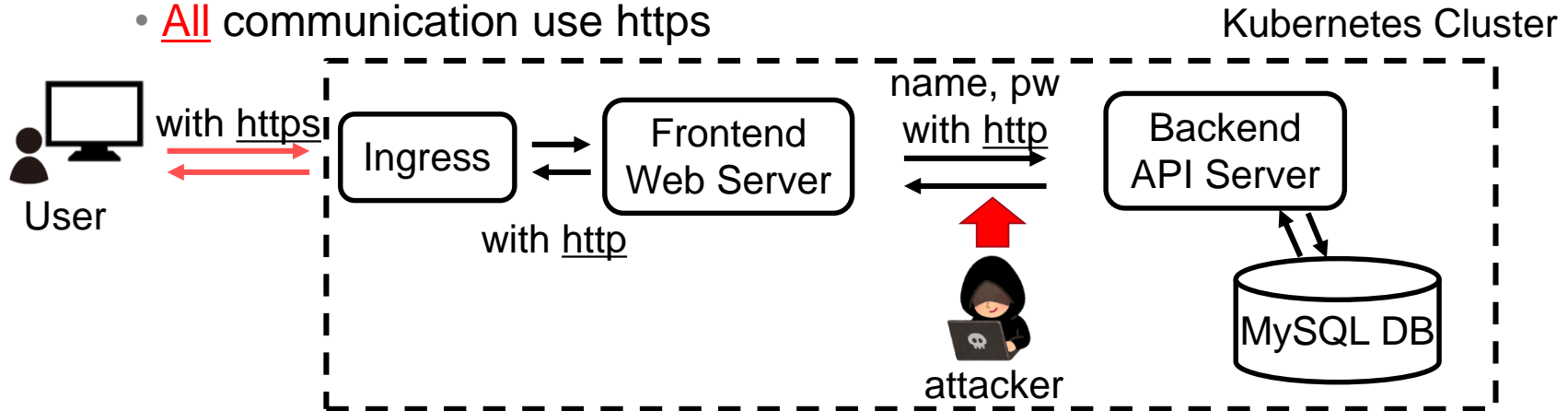
■ Wiretap

■ Overview of attack

- Web Server communicate to API Server via http(not encrypt)
- Attacker is trying to wiretap the communication

■ Countermeasure

- All communication use https



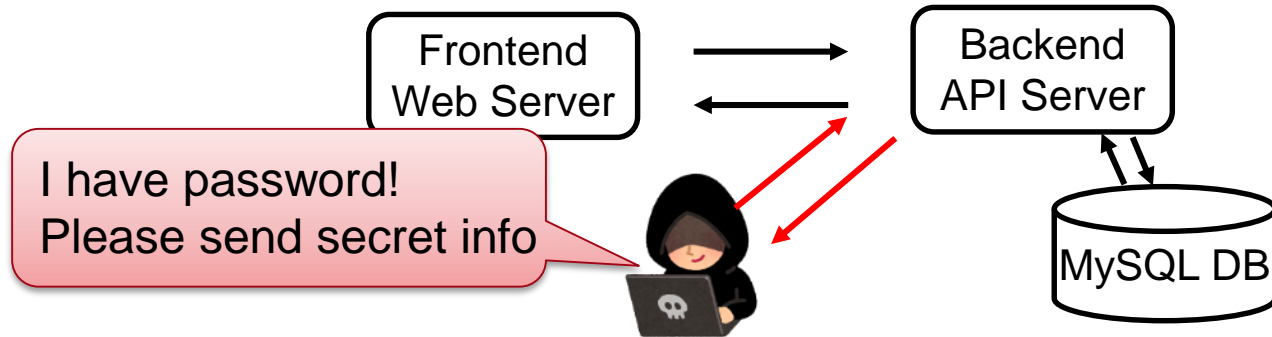
■ Spoofing1 (Already Password Leaked)

■ Overview of attack

- Password of DB was already leaked. (e.g. leaked by other service)

■ Countermeasure

- Mutual Authentication
- Authenticate Frontend ↔ Backend



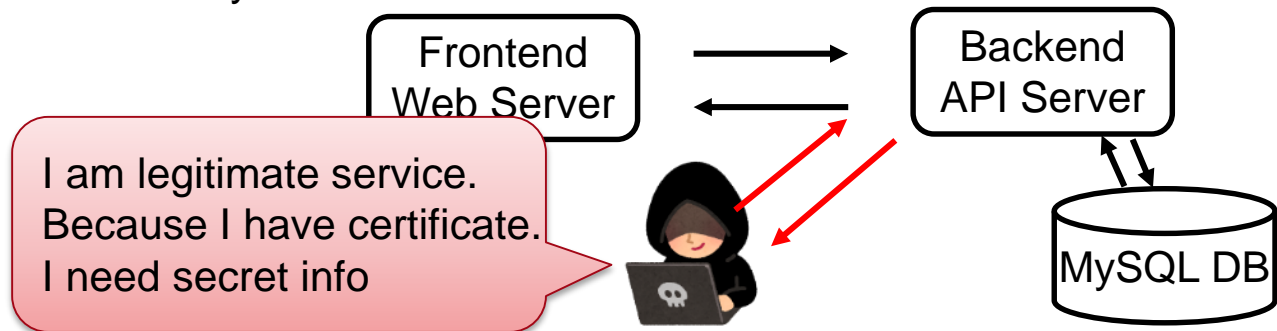
■ Spoofing2(Already Password and Certificate Leaked)

■ Overview of attack

- Password and Istio certificate are leaked due to sloppy management.

■ Countermeasure

- Setting Access Policy to Service
 - default: deny
 - allow: only from Service '*Frontend*'



■ Introduction of Zero Trust Network Model

- Attacks become more sophisticated
- Serious damage to your business when attacked
 - **Never increase the damage**

■ Kubernetes + Istio

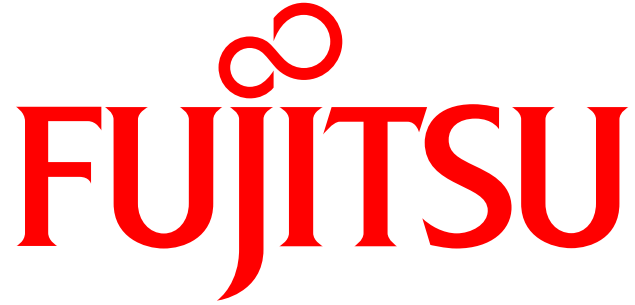
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kubernetes



Istio



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