

MCS Gatekeeper

Exposing MCS services over the Internet

How Gatekeeper will do this

- How it works
- On-boarding process
- What it can mean for clients
- What it can mean for service providers
- Next steps

Practical demonstration

Questions and answers



Overview of MCS

- MCS has 100+ services exposed via:
 - HTTP endpoints
 - JMS over MQ
- Majority of services return customer information using an identifier
 - Party ID, billing account ID, billing account number
- Problems:
 - Identifying which clients are calling which services
 - Only accessible within Sky networks

To help solve these problems we created Gatekeeper

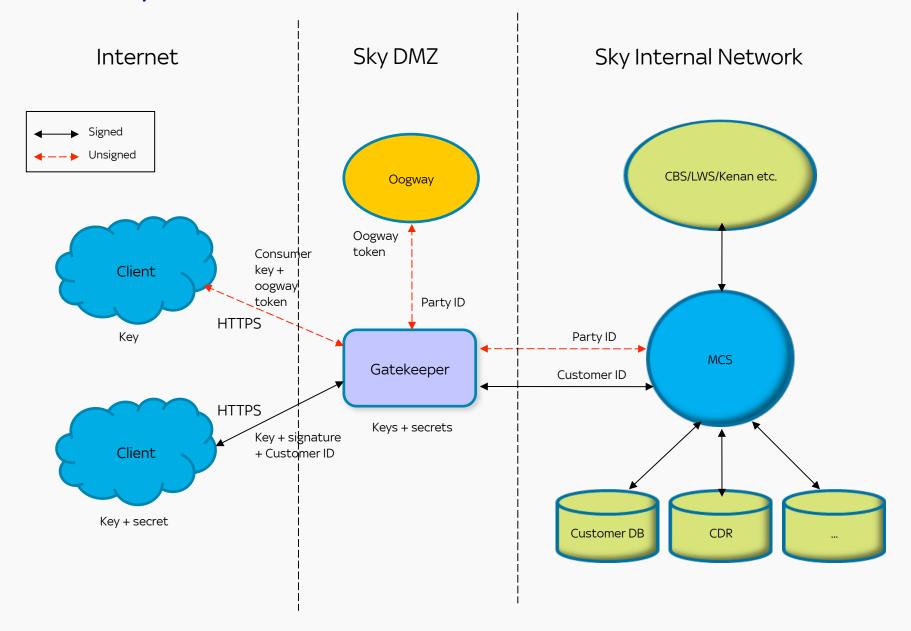


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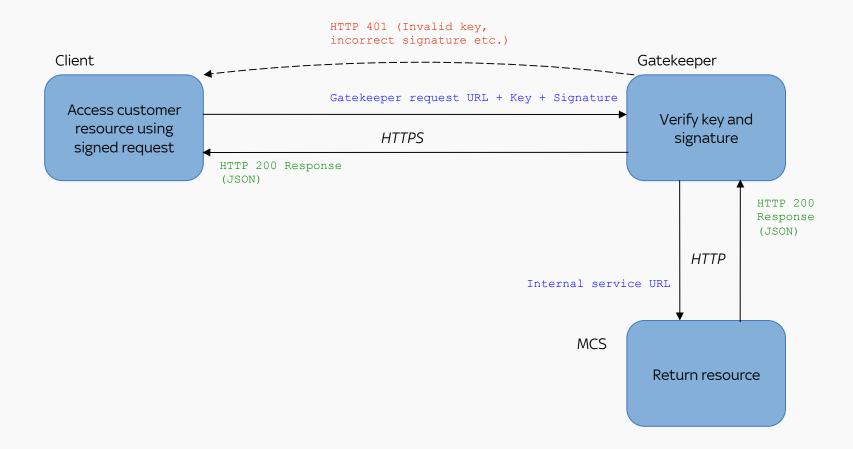
- Gatekeeper is an internet-facing HTTP service proxy:
 - Clients signed up to Gatekeeper can call MCS services within Sky securely over the internet
 - Access to individual services
 - Access granted on case-by-case basis
 - Security via OAuth 1.0a
 - Requests signed using client key and secret
 - Can access customer information using Oogway SSO token
 - Token translated to party ID by Oogway
 - HTTPS-to-HTTP



Gatekeeper Overview

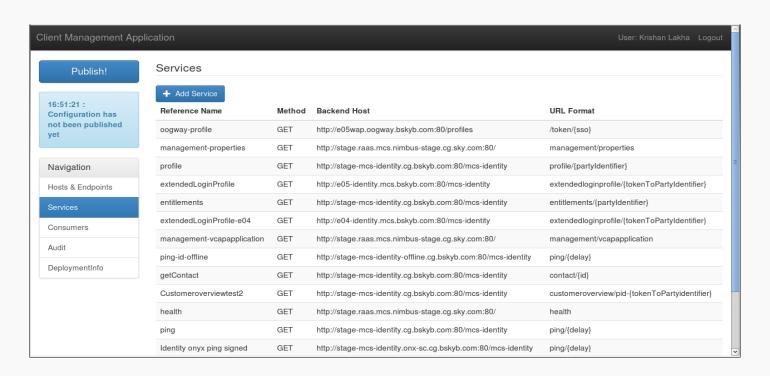


Calling Gatekeeper



Client Management

- Access to services managed through separate admin app
 - Map external Gatekeeper endpoints to internal MCS service URLs
 - Grant access to individual services to clients
 - Revoke access too
 - Set service usage quota for throttling
 - Audit trail for changes
 - Who, what, when

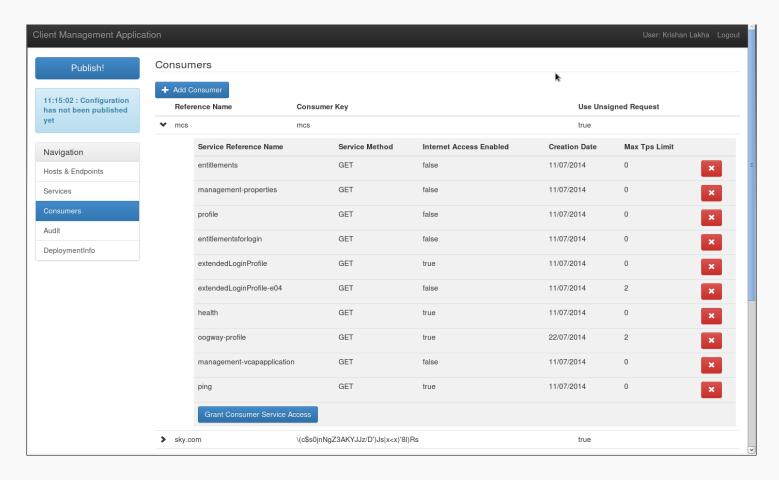


On-boarding

Access to services authorized through OAuth standard

Management of consumers and services in Gatekeeper done through client admin application

Clients provided with key and/or secret when on-boarding



Why expose MCS on the Internet?

- More clients are using external cloud services to host their applications
 - e.g. AWS, Heroku etc.
- These applications still have to serve Sky customers
 - Often means needing access to confidential/secret customer data
 - Data security issues
 - PCI concerns

- Gatekeeper can provide secure entry to MCS and different Sky systems
 - Secure transport
 - Validation and authentication



What can Gatekeeper do for you?



What Gatekeeper can do for clients

- Provides secure internet/intranet access to services deployed internally within applications hosted in Sky Datacentres
 - Signed requests using key and secret
 - Unsigned requests with key and Oogway token
- Secure communication over HTTPS
 - Trusted Verisign cert in place
- Minimal overhead on service response times
- Unified entry point to services
- High availability
 - Deployed in Nimbus CloudFoundry
 - Create more instances on demand
 - Multiple data centres for DR
- Simple transformation of service response to suit client requirements
 - e.g. JSONP
- In production with one client



What Gatekeeper can do for service providers

- Gives you access control over your services
 - Allow access to known clients only
- Protect downstream systems by rate limiting access to back-end services
 - Service quota decided with client
 - Requests exceeding quota are rejected at Gatekeeper
 - Prevents misuse and reduces the risk of outages
- Separation of concerns (security)
 - Secure transport handled via HTTPS
 - SSL terminated at Gatekeeper
 - No need to worry about certificates, key pairs etc.

Next steps

- Provide HTTP access to existing JMS-over-MQ services
- Timestamp & nonce support for additional repeat attack protection
- Analytics & Traffic monitoring
- Data transformation & mapping
- Self-serve model for accessing services
- Support for more RESTful APIs (PUT, POST, DELETE etc.)

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