Get your APIs Secured with Otoroshi!



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Disclaimer

We are not security experts! We are here to share our experience about securing APIs, the problems we've been facing and the solutions we've been providing.



2016 : We had to move ... Quick



French mutual insurance company Est. in 1934

In 2016 we needed to move:

- Connected cars
- Connected homes
- Connected ...

Connected whatever == Less Risk == Less Insurance

Our Strategy: diversification



Let's build a new platform!



interopérabilité
[API POUR TOUS]



One goal : get focused on business value

We believe we need a good technical basis to make good business

Making developers' life easy (and get as close as possible to the state of the art):

- (Clever) Cloud hosting
 - Scalability
 - Resiliency
 - O ...
- Automation (CI/CD)
- Metrics
- Monitoring
- ..



One of our first thoughts: "How to manage APIs?"



Here comes ... Otoroshi

API management on top of a reverse proxy





Typical Features



Exposing APIs



Resiliency



Quotas and throttling



Monitoring



And, of course ...

Security





Exchange protocol



Otoroshi is a reverse proxy:

- Apps need to make sure that requests actually come from Otoroshi
- Otoroshi needs to know if apps are proxied despite themselves



Descending exchange protocol

Otoroshi -> Apps

Otoroshi sends a header containing a signed random state with a short TTL is sent with the request to the proxied app which validates signature

curl -H 'Otoroshi-State:
eyJhbGciOiJIUzUxMiIsInR5cCI6IkpXVCJ9.eyJzdGF0ZSI6I
jEyMzQ1Njc4OTAiLCJpYXQiOjE1NjE2NDA1MTEsImV4cCI6MTU
2MTY0MDUyMX0.1-ky2uu1FRQwSyxAL_VZH9Ju_98gbl9uR41xF
3aEnSNaSrvovpY_cY7ekoWKUdThJnbVlcCC7VaUBVF8UvQE8w'
https://api-backend.foo.bar:8443 --include



Ascending exchange protocol

Otoroshi <- Apps

Application sends back a header containing the original random state, signed and with a short TTL in the response to Otoroshi

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HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Date: Thu, 27 Jun 2019 13:05:01 GMT
Otoroshi-State-Resp:
eyJhbGciOiJIUzUxMiIsInR5cCI6IkpXVCJ9.eyJzdGF0ZS1yZ
XNwIjoiMTIzNDU2Nzg5MCIsImlhdCI6MTU2MTY0MDUxNSwiZXh
wIjoxNTYxNjQwNTI1fQ.4kRPy01tybeMamMdoGGkQjLC-4k0-o
j_EdOPItmYEE_YW4OD1N9LfdStO2hMC4-VqohrrMvQlRtlycR3
Ss0qWg
Content-Type: application/json
Content-Length: 20

{"msg":"Hello World!"}
```



TLS

Otoroshi handles TLS dynamically

- Server-side
 - may be enforced
- Client-side
 - o may be enforced
- End-to-end (m)TLS
 - from client to otoroshi, from otoroshi to app
 - no passthrough
 - at least for HTTP routing
- Authority Validation
 - Local Authority
 - Trust Store
 - External Authority
 - check if the service is authorised for the current user with the the current certificate chain



JWT tokens

JWT tokens are a very common way to provide contextual or authn / authz informations in APIs world

JWT tokens validation :

- shared secret (HMAC)
- pub/priv keys (RSA, ECDSA)

JWT tokens remediation

- fields value validation
- token location changes
- fields transformation
- sign with another secret / keypair



Webapps security

Otoroshi provides login as a service for any proxied web app that can integrate with authn services:

OAuth, OIDC, LDAP, Local, etc.

Can add security headers:

• Strict-Transport-Security, Public-Key-Pins,

X-Permitted-Cross-Domain-Policies,

X-XSS-Protection, Referrer-Policy,

Content-Security-Policy,

X-Content-Type-Options, X-Frame-Option, etc.



APIs Security

Api Keys for Machine to Machine calls

- Classical
 - Client ID + Client Secret
 - Basic Auth
- Token
 - Signed
 - Request parts
- Third party Api Key validation
 - for instance OIDC
 - using an external IAM

Api Keys can be constrained

- Token TTL
- Routing based on metadata



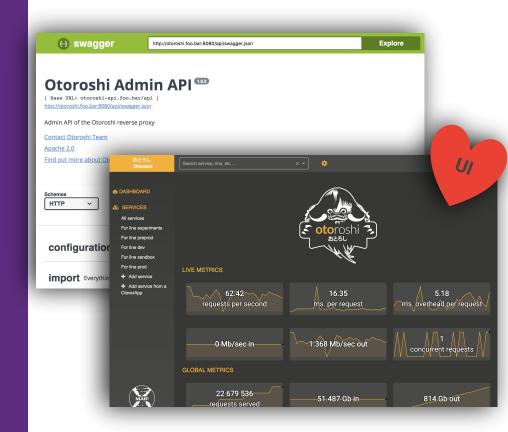
Misc.

A few more security features :

- Headers validation
- IP addresses blacklist / whitelist
- Auditing
- FIDO U2F support for backoffice



Nice UI API-drivable





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Otoroshi is Open Source since Jan. 2018

5 minutes tutorial: http://bit.ly/try-otoroshi



We have more and more to come ...



https://maif.github.io/



Thank you!