Integrating Debezium and Knative

or How to Stream Changes the Knative Way



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- Face of Atelier Solutions
 - Integrator of Things
- Early Knative Expertise
 - Gitlab Serverless Integration
 - Knative C Serverless
 Runtime
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What if we could stream database changes?

- Let's see about streaming change event notifications from Oracle. How about Debezium?
 - Limited DB support (MySQL and PostgreSQL)
 - Kafka Only
 - Let's roll our own Knative Service!!!
- Fast-forward, how about now?
 - Expanded DB support (SQLServer, Oracle, DB2, and others)
 - Decoupled Kafka, and support other streaming services (Kinesis, PubSub, EventHub, and others)
 - Can now create our own Debezium "server"



How Debezium was Knativified

- Debezium needs to be containerized
- Debezium added support for CloudEvents
 - Support other cloud based streaming servers
- Knative Event Source streams data to a common sink
 - Added Debezium "HTTP Server" to stream CloudEvents to a Webhook (and also watch K_SINK)
 - Added in Debezium 1.9
- Profit!



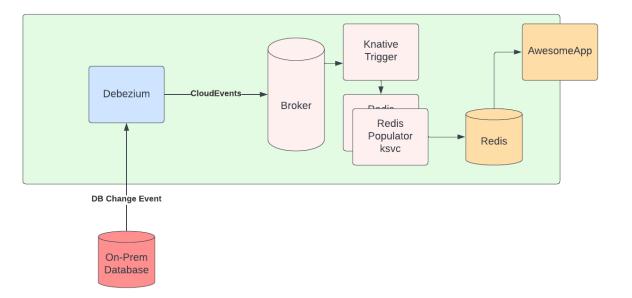
Observations

- Pros:
 - Java properties == environment variables exposure
 - Leverages full Knative Serving/Eventing ecosystem
- Iffy:
 - Does require a translator/transformation service
- Cons:
 - Autoscaling needs to be disabled for the service
 - Must have access to the database (possibly hosted outside of K8S cluster)



A Sample Integration

- Debezium source streams event to Broker
- Second service to consume events and publish changes





Want to learn more?

Web: https://atelier-solutions.com/debezium-knative-2022

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Thanks for all the kibble!



