Manageable, Scaled Deployments with VOLTTRONTM

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Intellimation

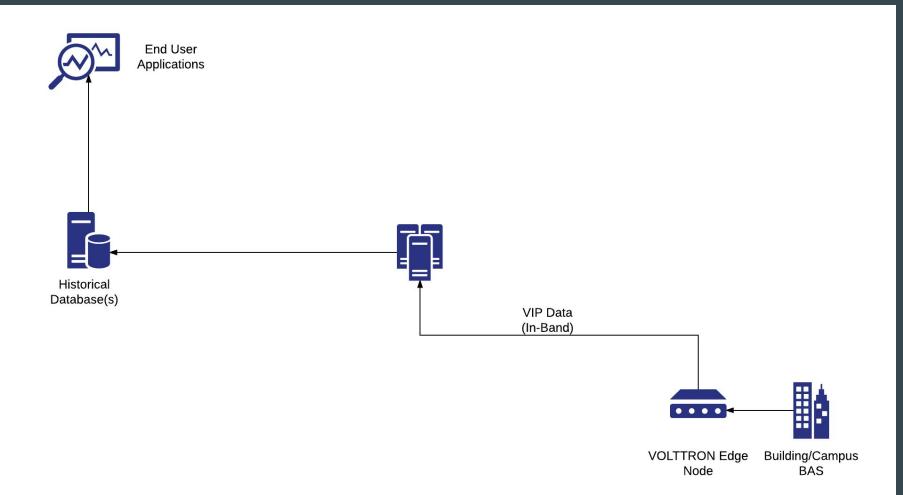
VOLTTRON is great.

Until it isn't

What breaks VOLTTRON?

Then what?

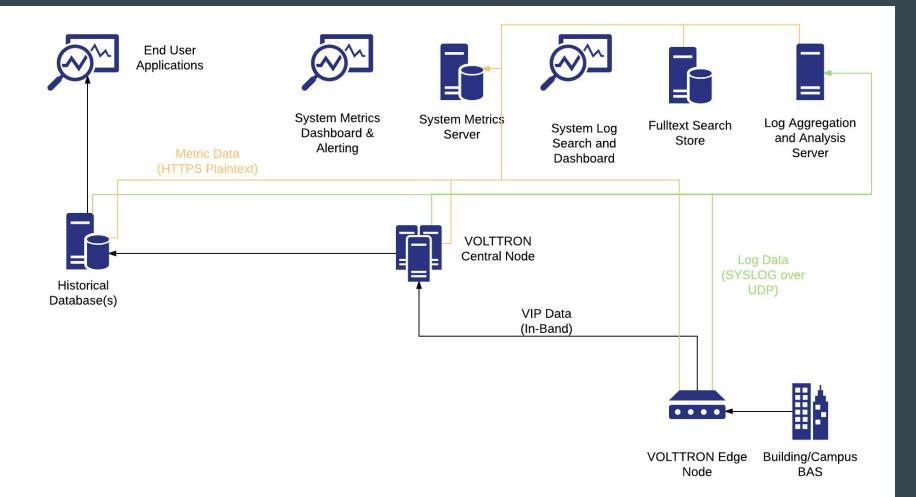
How we started:



Standard VOLTTRON deployment

Core infrastructure in Cloud

Where we are now:



Why?

Visibility

Metrology

Data

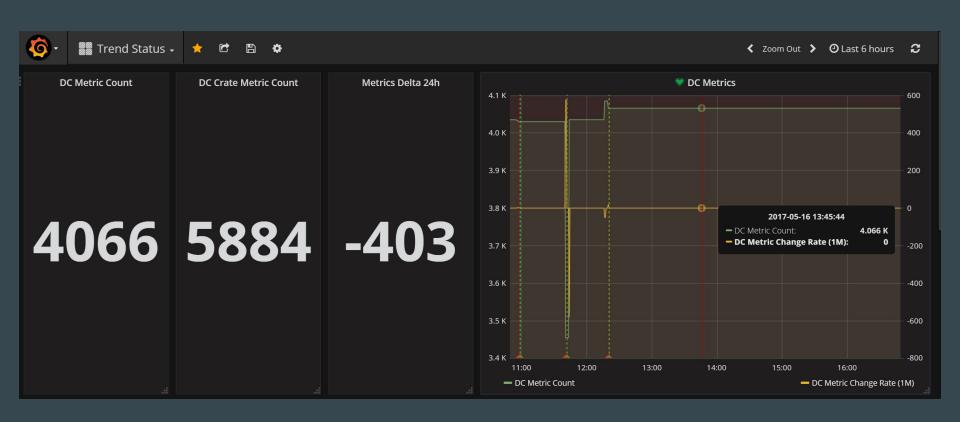
Insight

How?

Grafana & Prometheus:







Logstash and Kibana (ELK Stack)



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Dev Tools

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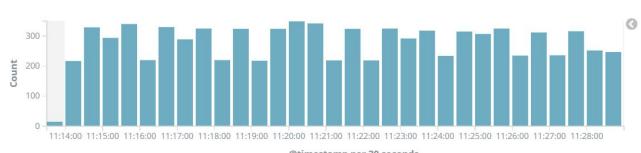
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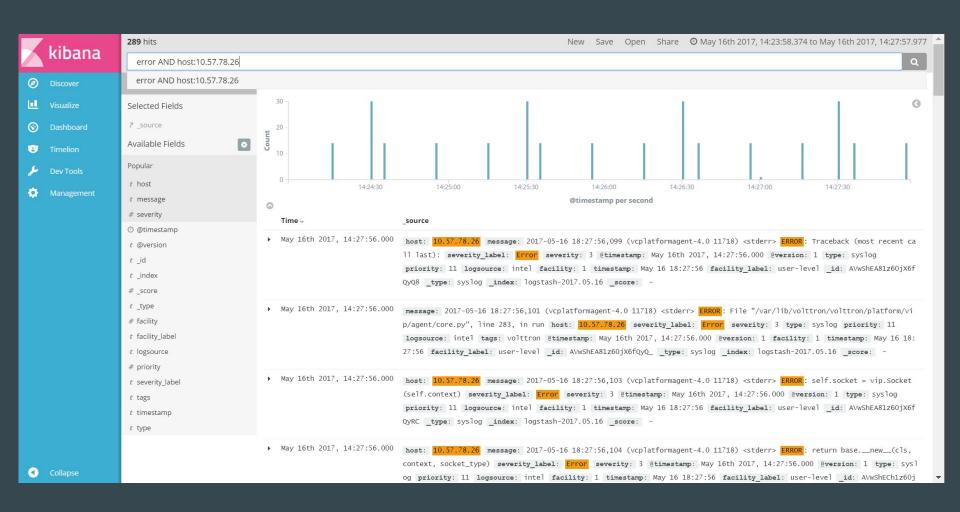
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Collapse



FlameGraphs

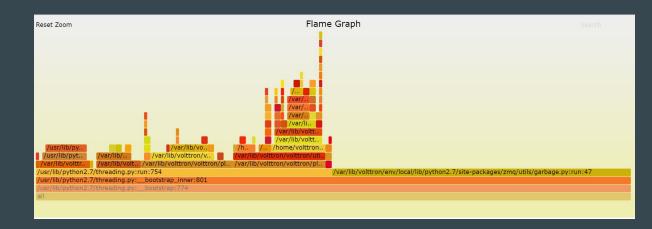
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More info on FlameGraphs:

https://github.com/brendangregg/Flame Graph

How I did it on a running Python process:

https://github.com/uber/pyflame



Now what?

What's next:

- Distributed tracing
- At will FlameGraph retrieval from across the infrastructure
- Better alert management (flapjack.io?)
- Centralized, simple system for initial platform install
- Regularly scheduled site network security audits and reporting
- More transfer of industry (IT Industry) best practices to VOLTTRON ecosystem

Thank you!

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Questions?