

Visibility Into a High Performance Compute (HPC) Grid

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Fabless semiconductor company

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In 3G/4G LTE modem

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Years of driving the evolution of wireless

804M

MSM[™] chipsets shipped FY '17

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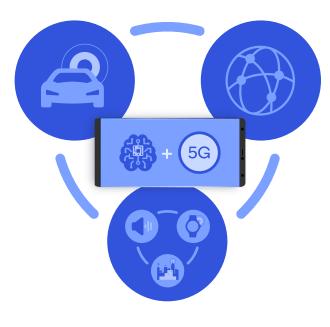
Analog to digital

Redefined computing



Desktop to smartphones

Transforming industries



Connecting virtually everything

Redefining how the world connects, computes and communicates

Engineering Design Center Infrastructure Overview

Large and complex



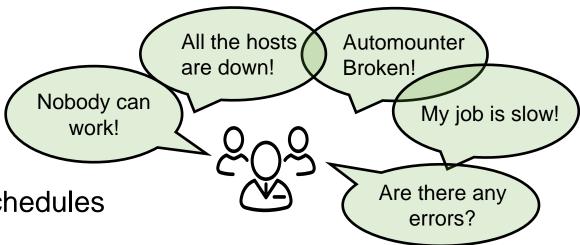
- Large numbers of just about everything
 - Storage (thousands of mount points/volumes)
 - Globally Deployed Interconnected Compute Clusters
 - Directory Services (LDAP and AD)
 - Job Scheduling software
 - Revision Control Systems
 - Tool License Servers
 - Virtual Desktop Infrastructure



Before Splunk

"Do we Even Have a Problem?"

- Not much quantitative data
 - Where is it happening?
 - Who is it affecting?
 - What is business impact to project schedules
 - Is this a new issue?
 - Is it getting better/worse?
 - Was it related to a change?
 - When did it start/end?



Splunk to the Rescue

Comprehensive visibility into machine data

- Obtained logs from Entire Grid
 - Lots of sourcetypes
 - Linux OS/App/storage/web/database/firewall/ldap/AD and many more!
 - Storage NFS access logs improves security *and* operations
 - "Lights Out" management server logs
 - Linux server data (enhanced *nix Technology Add On)
- Log user tickets
 - User Trouble Tickets
 - Change Requests
 - Major Outages

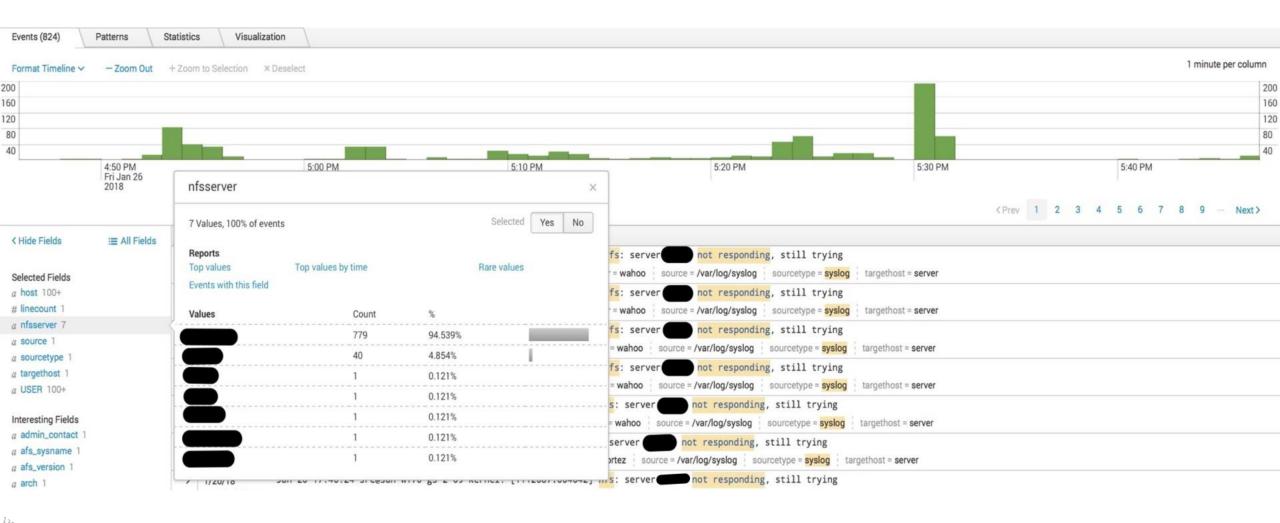


Trending events – server connects, load, memory, cpu, network, df, process etc.



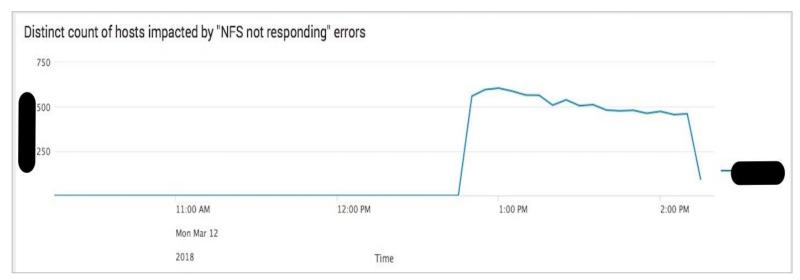


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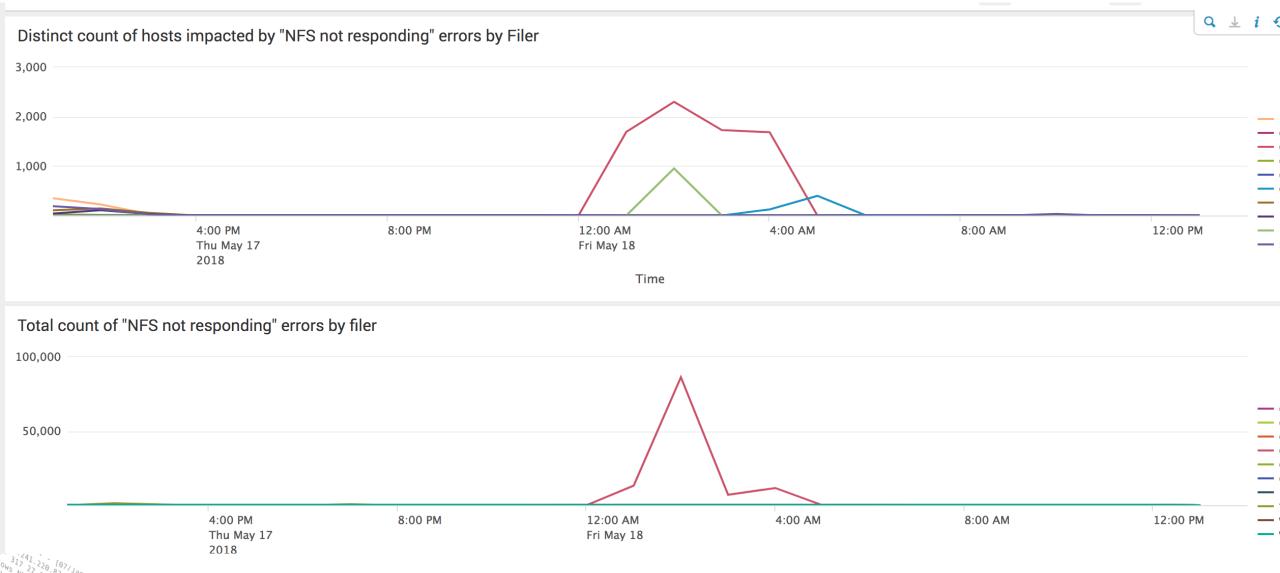
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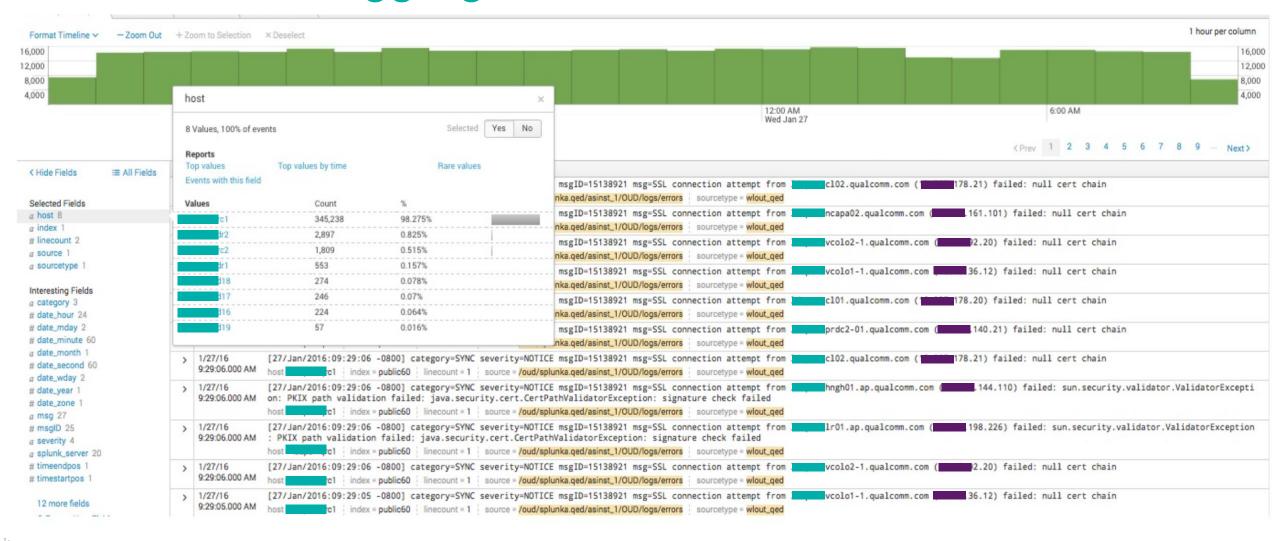


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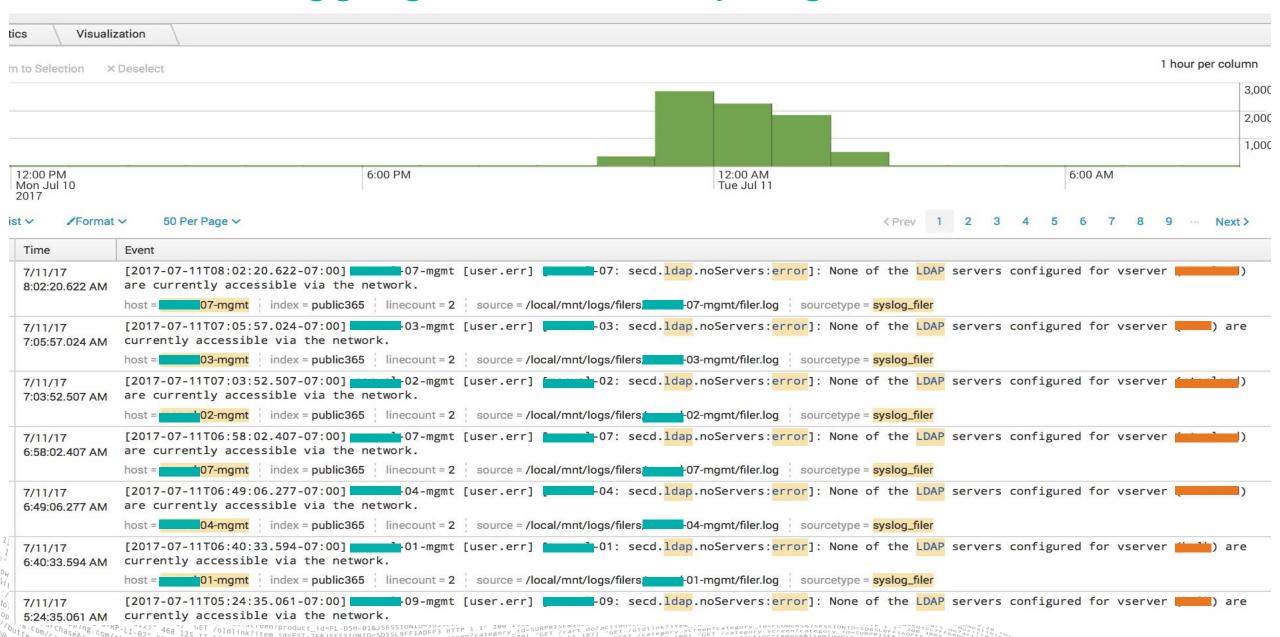


Data Aggregation - LDAP Server Errors





Data Aggregation – Filer syslogs – LDAP Error



Workflow Insight – File Removal

Confirm via filer access logs - provides userid, hostname, time, path



Find cause – ps_extended data – provides matching pid on compute server for "rm" operation



Use job scheduler logs to track process tree to jobid and workflow.



Workflow Insight – Revision Control Slowness





SummaryWins with Splunk

- 1. Break down IT silos
- 2. Improved IT operations and security posture
- 3. Gain engineering workflow insights
- 4. Democratize data

Future Work

Where Qualcomm is going next with Splunk

- Additional log and event sources
- Additional metrics (using Splunk metric storage)
- Splunk ITSI
- Splunk dashboards combining "user" application data and "IT" datasources
- Telemetry
- Splunk infrastructure upgrades

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