

SPEC-03: Sentry Module

1. Background

The **Sentry** module provides proactive monitoring, alerting, and incident management for the Hearthlink ecosystem. It ingests metrics, logs, and security events from Vault, Core Services, Synapse, and infrastructure components; detects anomalies via rules and ML detectors; and surfaces alerts through a rich “Batcave”-style dashboard with multiple live system feeds and remediation hooks.

2. Requirements (MoSCoW)

Must have

- Real-time ingestion (<2s latency) of metrics/logs via Kafka or equivalent
- Pluggable anomaly-detection engine (threshold, statistical, ML)
- RBAC-aware alert routing with email, Slack, PagerDuty integrations
- Configurable escalation policies per service and severity
- Durable event store with 90-day retention and automated cycling to avoid bloat

Should have

- Automated remediation hooks (e.g., scale pods, restart services) via webhooks
- Correlated incident timelines with links to message IDs
- Dashboard drill-down from overview to event details

Could have

- Multi-tenant dashboard segmentation
- Predictive fatigue prevention (alert suppression logic)

Won't have (this increment)

- Mobile push notifications
- ChatOps/bot integrations

3. Method

3.1 Architecture Diagram

```
@startuml
package "Sentry Cluster" {
    [Ingestion API] --> [Event Queue]
    [Rule Engine] --> [Event Queue]
    [Rule Engine] --> [Alert Dispatcher]
    [Event Store] <-- [Ingestion API]
}
```

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}
package "Consumers" {
  [Dashboard UI]
  [Automation Hooks]
  [Notification Channels]
}
[Consumers] --> [Alert Dispatcher]
@enduml

```

3.2 Data Schema

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@startuml
table EventRecord {
  + event_id    : UUID [PK]
  + source      : VARCHAR
  + type        : VARCHAR
  + payload     : JSON
  + severity    : ENUM('INFO','WARN','ERROR','CRITICAL')
  + timestamp   : TIMESTAMP
}

table Alert {
  + alert_id    : UUID [PK]
  + event_id    : UUID [FK]
  + rule_id     : UUID
  + state       : ENUM('OPEN','ACK','RESOLVED')
  + assigned_to : VARCHAR
  + created_at  : TIMESTAMP
  + updated_at  : TIMESTAMP
}

table IncidentTimeline {
  + timeline_id : UUID [PK]
  + alert_id    : UUID [FK]
  + entry       : TEXT
  + timestamp   : TIMESTAMP
}
@enduml

```

4. UI Components & Wireframes

4.1 Batcave Dashboard Overview (Full-Screen)

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| Sentry Batcave

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Dashboard		
[Refresh] [Settings] [Help]		
[User]		

Live Metrics Feed	Service Health Map	Alert Summary
Panel		
(Scrolling logs)	(Heatmap over topology)	(Counts by severity)

Incident Timeline	Rules & Policies Panel	Automation Hooks
Panel		
(Chronological view)	(List + create/edit)	(Retry, scale, notify)

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Component Mapping

Component	Function	Data/API Call
LiveMetricsFeed	Real-time log/metric stream	GET /v1/events/stream (WebSocket)
ServiceHealthMap	Visual heatmap of service statuses	GET /v1/health/map
AlertSummaryPanel	Aggregated alert counts by severity and service	GET /v1/alerts/summary
IncidentTimelineView	Chronological incident entries	GET /v1/incidents/timeline?alert={id}
RulesPoliciesPanel	List, create, update anomaly-detection rules	GET/POST/PUT/DELETE /v1/alerts/policies
AutomationHooksPanel	Buttons to trigger remediation actions	POST /v1/alerts/{id}/remediate
RefreshButton	Reload all panels	Triggers all GET endpoints
SettingsButton	Open Sentry module settings modal	N/A
HelpButton	Opens documentation	External link
UserMenu	Profile/logout	N/A

4.2 Alert List Panel

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Current Alerts

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| [Filter: Service ▼] [Severity ▼] [Search] [Acknowledge All] |
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| | AlertID | Service | Severity | Status | Assigned | Age | |
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Component	Function	Data/API Call
AlertsListTable	Display open alerts with filters	GET /v1/alerts?filter...
FilterDropdowns	Filter by service/severity	Client-side filtering + API query parameters
AcknowledgeButton	Acknowledge selected alert	POST /v1/alerts/{id}/ack
ResolveButton	Resolve selected alert	POST /v1/alerts/{id}/resolve
AcknowledgeAllButton	Bulk ack all alerts	POST /v1/alerts/ackAll

4.3 Rules & Policies Editor

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| Rules & Policies                                     X |
| [New Rule] [Import] [Export]                         |
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| | RuleID | Name | Condition | Action | Enabled | Created | |
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| Rule Detail Pane (below): JSON editor with live validation |
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Component	Function	Data/API Call
RulesTable	List existing rules	GET /v1/alerts/policies
NewRuleButton	Open modal to define a new rule	N/A
ImportRulesButton	Bulk import rules	POST /v1/alerts/policies/import
ExportRulesButton	Export rules to JSON	GET /v1/alerts/policies/export
RuleDetailEditor	JSON editor for rule definition	GET/PUT /v1/alerts/policies/{id}
EnableToggle	Enable/disable a rule	PUT /v1/alerts/policies/{id}

4.4 Incident Timeline Full View

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| Incident Timeline                                     |
| [Back to Dashboard] [Filter: AlertID ▼]              |
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| | Timestamp | Actor | Entry Description |
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Component	Function	Data/API Call
TimelineTable	List timeline entries	<code>GET /v1/incidents/timeline?alert={id}</code>
BackButton	Navigate back to dashboard	N/A
FilterDropdown	Filter by alert ID	Client-side or <code>?alert=</code> query

5. API Endpoints

Method	Path	Description	Auth Scope
POST	<code>/v1/events</code>	Ingest new event	<code>sentry.ingest</code>
GET	<code>/v1/events/stream</code>	Subscribe to live event stream	<code>sentry.read</code>
GET	<code>/v1/health/map</code>	Fetch service health map data	<code>sentry.read</code>
GET	<code>/v1/alerts</code>	List current alerts	<code>sentry.alert.read</code>
POST	<code>/v1/alerts/{id}/ack</code>	Acknowledge alert	<code>sentry.alert.write</code>
POST	<code>/v1/alerts/{id}/resolve</code>	Resolve alert	<code>sentry.alert.write</code>
GET	<code>/v1/alerts/policies</code>	List anomaly rules	<code>sentry.policy.read</code>
POST	<code>/v1/alerts/policies</code>	Create new rule	<code>sentry.policy.write</code>
GET	<code>/v1/incidents/timeline</code>	Fetch incident timeline entries	<code>sentry.alert.read</code>
POST	<code>/v1/alerts/policies/import</code>	Import rules from JSON	<code>sentry.policy.write</code>
GET	<code>/v1/alerts/policies/export</code>	Export rules as JSON	<code>sentry.policy.read</code>

6. Implementation

1. Deploy Kafka and schema registry; setup Ingestion API
2. Build Rule Engine microservice (Flink/KStreams)
3. Implement Alert Dispatcher and Notification adapters
4. Develop Batcave Dashboard in React + Recharts
5. Integrate WebSocket for live streams, REST for controls
6. Enforce RBAC on all endpoints; secure mTLS
7. Add audit logging for all rule changes and alert actions
8. Load-test >10k events/sec; fault-injection scenarios

7. Milestones

Milestone	Timeline	Owner
Ingestion & Event Store Setup	Week 1	DevOps Lead
Rule Engine & Policies MVP	Week 2–3	Data Eng Team
Alert Dispatcher & Notifications	Week 4	Backend Team
Dashboard & Live Feed Integration	Week 5–6	Frontend Team
RBAC & Security Hardening	Week 7	Security Team
Performance & Reliability Testing	Week 8–9	QA Team

8. Gathering Results

- Ingestion latency <2s under load
- Dashboard live stream refresh <1s
- Rule accuracy >95% with <5% false triggers
- Alert ack/resolve workflows <1s median
- RBAC misuse incidents = 0 in penetration tests

9. References & Dependencies

- **Integration Blueprints:** appendix_b_integration_blueprints.md
- **DevOps Guide:** _DEVELOPMENT_OPERATIONS_GUIDE.md
- **Security Policies:** VOICE_ACCESS_POLICY.md
- **SOPs:** SOP_Retrospective_Cycle.md for incident workflows

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