

Observing Cloud Resources

SRE Project Template

Categorize Responsibilities

Prometheus and Grafana Screenshots

Provide a screenshot of the Prometheus node_exporter service running on the EC2 instance. Use the following command to show that the system is running: `sudo systemctl status node_exporter`

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ubuntu@ip-10-100-10-53: ~  
ubuntu@ip-10-100-10-53:~$ sudo systemctl enable node_exporter  
Created symlink /etc/systemd/system/multi-user.target.wants/node_exporter.service → /etc/systemd/system/node_exporter.service.  
ubuntu@ip-10-100-10-53:~$ sudo systemctl start node_exporter  
ubuntu@ip-10-100-10-53:~$ sudo systemctl status node_exporter  
● node_exporter.service - Node Exporter  
   Loaded: loaded (/etc/systemd/system/node_exporter.service; enabled; vendor preset: enabled)  
   Active: active (running) since Sun 2022-11-27 17:35:50 UTC; 2s ago  
     Main PID: 1662 (node_exporter)  
       Tasks: 4 (limit: 1109)  
      CGroup: /system.slice/node_exporter.service  
              └─1662 /usr/local/bin/node_exporter  
  
Nov 27 17:35:50 ip-10-100-10-53 node_exporter[1662]: level=info ts=2022-11-27T17:35:50.123Z  
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lines 1-18/18 (END)
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Host Metric

(CPU, RAM, Disk, Network)

Dashboard

Disk



Memory	
Network	
CPU	

Responsibilities

1. The development team wants to release an emergency hotfix to production. Identify two roles of the SRE team who would be involved in this and why.

The release engineer and the monitoring engineer would be involved in this. The release engineer will ensure the best practices and launch checklists are adhered to. The monitoring engineer will monitor the resources post deployment, since this is an emergency hotfix straight into production.

2. The development team is in the early stages of planning to build a new product. Identify two roles of the SRE team that should be invited to the meeting and why.

The system architect and the infrastructure engineer will be invited. Since this is a new product, their opinions regarding the system design and infrastructure required is both necessary and invaluable.

3. The emergency hotfix from question 1 was applied and is causing major issues in production. Which SRE role would primarily be involved in mitigating these issues?

The release manager will be involved. He can go through the logs of the current release with the prior one and identify where the issue lies.

API Monitoring and Notifications

HTTP Status Code

Y-axis: 0, 100, 200, 300, 400

X-axis: 23:55, 00:00, 00:05, 00:10, 00:15, 00:20, 00:25, 00:30, 00:35, 00:40, 00:45, 00:50

Legend:

- Green line: {__name__="probe_http_status_code", instance="http://40.89.244.232", job="blackbox"}
- Yellow line: {__name__="probe_http_status_code", instance="http://13.226.50.80", job="blackbox"}
- Blue line: {__name__="probe_http_status_code", instance="http://209.140.148.143", job="blackbox"}

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Grafana

APP

12:18 AM

[FIRING:1] (TestAlert Grafana)

Firing

Value: [metric='foo' labels={instance=bar} value=10]

Labels:

- alertname = TestAlert

- instance = Grafana

Annotations:

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Grafana v9.2.4

Today at 12:18 AM

New

Grafana

APP

12:46 AM

[FIRING:1] CPU Rate (%) SRE Project

Firing

Value: [var='B0' metric='Value' labels={ _name_=instance:node cpu:rate:sum, instance=10.100.1.152:9100 } value=0.08906666666666664]

Labels:

- alertname = CPU Rate (%)

- grafana_folder = SRE Project

Annotations:

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Configure alert rules: Provide a screenshot of the alert rules list in Grafana.

220 rules: 5 firing, 131 normal, 84 recording

+ New alert rule

Grafana

SRE Project

2 rules

State	Name	Health	Summary
Normal	CPU Rate (%)	ok	
<div><div>Go to dashboard</div><div>Go to panel</div><div>Silence</div><div>Show state history</div><div>View</div><div>Edit</div><div>Delete</div></div>			
Evaluate	Every 10s		Data source
For	10s		Prometheus
Dashboard UID	5Tu3reOVk		
Panel ID	2		
Matching Instances	<div><div>Search by label</div><div>Q Search</div><div>State</div><div>Normal 1</div><div>Alerting</div><div>Pending</div><div>NoData</div><div>Error</div></div>		
<div><div>State</div><div>Labels</div><div>Created</div></div> <div><div>> Normal</div><div>alertname=CPU Rate (%)</div><div>grafana_folder=SRE Project</div><div>2022-11-28 00:58:30</div></div>			

Normal

Network Received Sum (Bytes)

ok

Go to dashboard

Go to panel

Silence

Show state history

View

Edit

Delete

Evaluate

Every 10s

Data source

For

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Prometheus

Dashboard UID

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Panel ID

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Matching Instances

Search by label

Q Search

State

Normal 1

Alerting

Pending

NoData

Error

State

Labels

Created

> Normal

alertname=Network Received Sum (Bytes)

grafana_folder=SRE Project

2022-11-28 00:58:30

Grafana

SRE Project 2 rules: 2 firing |

State	Name	Health	Summary
Firing	for 1m CPU Rate (%)	ok	

Go to dashboard Go to panel Silence Show state history View Edit Delete

Evaluate Every 10s For 10s Data source Prometheus

Dashboard UID 5Tu3reOVk Panel ID 2

Matching instances Search by label Search State Normal Alerting 1 Pending NoData Error

State	Labels	Created
Alerting	alertname=CPU Rate (%) grafana_folder=SRE Project	2022-11-28 00:59:10

Firing for 10s Network Received Sum (Bytes) ok

Go to dashboard Go to panel Silence Show state history View Edit Delete

Evaluate Every 10s For 20s Data source Prometheus

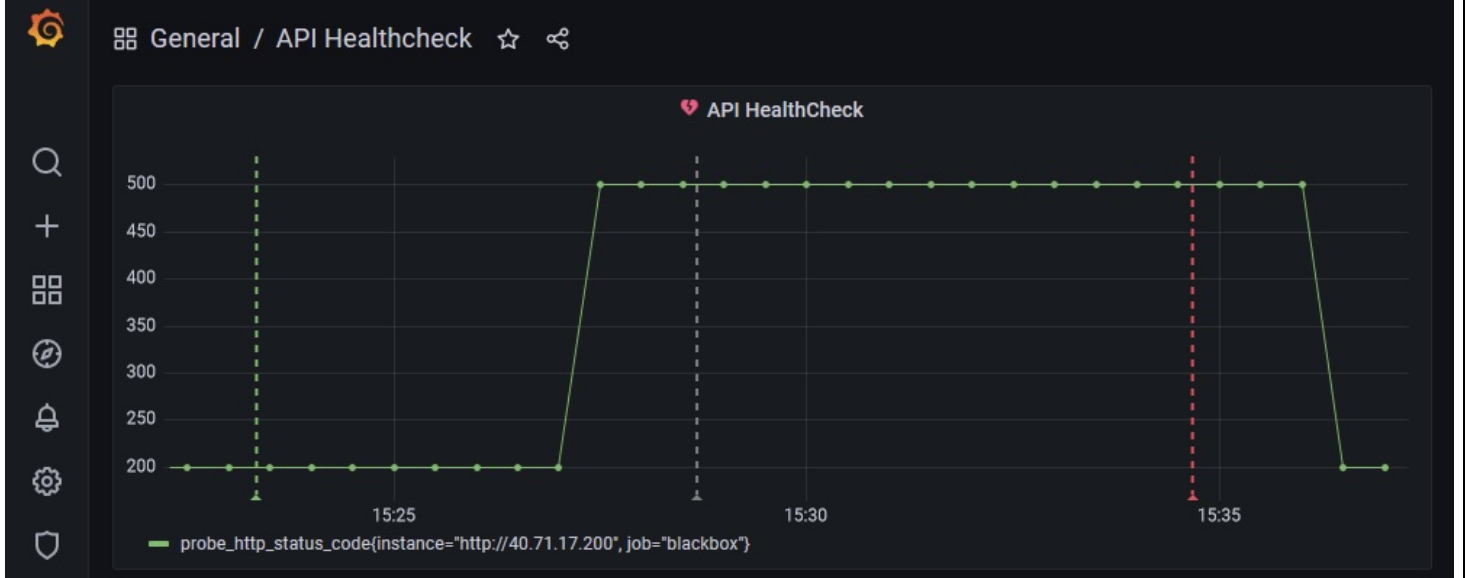
Dashboard UID 5Tu3reOVk Panel ID 8

Matching instances Search by label Search State Normal Alerting 1 Pending NoData Error

State	Labels	Created
Alerting	alertname=Network Received Sum (Bytes) grafana_folder=SRE Project	2022-11-28 01:00:50

Applying the Concepts

Graph 1



4a. Given the above graph, where does it show that the API endpoint is down? Where on the graph does this show that the API is healthy again?

The endpoint status becomes non 200 at around 15:27. It becomes healthy again at 15:37.

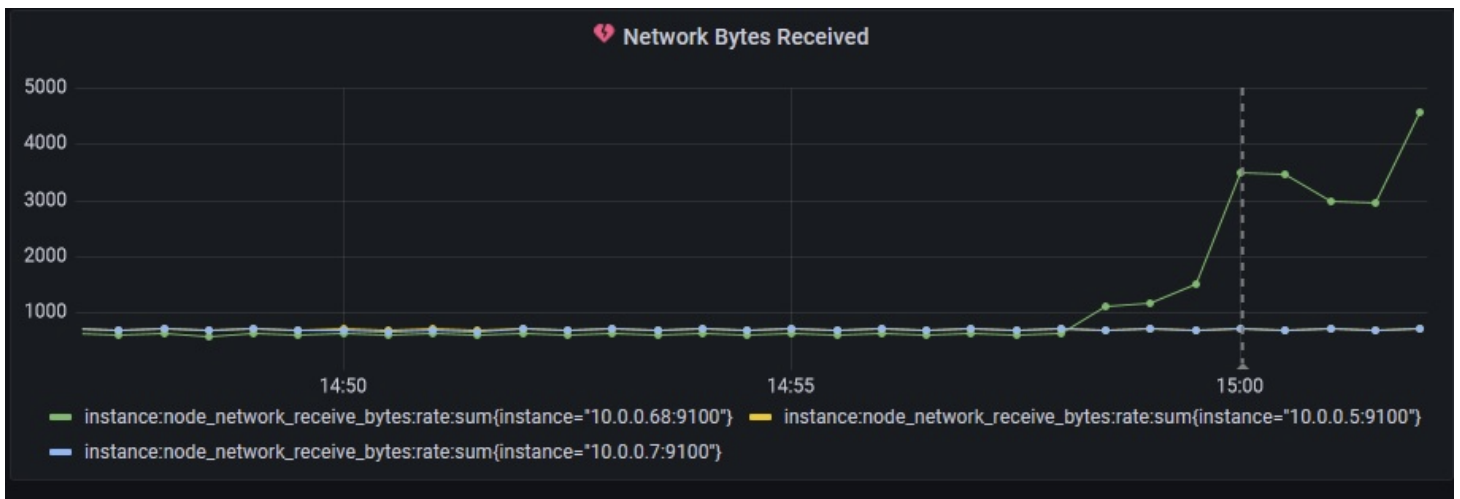
4b. If there was no SRE team, how would this outage affect customers?

Customers will not be able to access and use whatever it is they need to use.

4c. What could be put in place so that the SRE team could know of the outage before the customer does?

Synthetic monitoring solutions like a blackbox exporter can be implemented. Such outages can be caught before it occurs that way. Also rigorous host monitoring can be implemented to catch symptoms of an impending outage. This way, before an outage occurs, issues can be caught and fixed.

Graph 2



5a. Given the above graph, which instance had the increase in traffic, and approximately how many bytes did it receive (feel free to round)?

The instance with ip: 10.0.0.68:9100 experienced the increase in traffic. There was an approximate increase of 3200 bytes.

5b. Which team members on the SRE team would be interested in this graph and why?

The monitoring engineer, the system architect and infrastructure engineer will all be interested. If necessary, the system architect can recommend alternative technologies to prevent such rapid increase in traffic. The infrastructure engineer can ensure that load balancing is implemented correctly. The monitoring engineer was probably the one who caught this issue first.