

Configure Your Cloud for Auto-Recovery

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- Over 17 years of IT experience
- New Yorker (soon to be a Texan)
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- Knowledge sharer/author
- OpenStack believer
- Motorcyclist and DJ (literally...no lie)
- Always about living life now!





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OpenStack Architect, RPC

- Over 10 years at Rackspace
- 4 Years OpenStack
- Proves that anyone can do this job, even someone with a Louisiana public school education



Ground Rules

- **Not going to ask you to turn off mobile phones but, if it rings its mine :D**
- **Ask questions (*requirement*)**
- **Take any side conversations outside (*mainly because I like hearing myself talk only*)**
- **This workshop is hands on, please group yourself into groups no larger than 2-3. Please take turns doing stuff!**
- **Materials for the workshop are available here (case matters):**

<https://goo.gl/z0Nhdk>

Before we get started...

- **Please form teams of 3 or more**
- **Each group will be given a StudentID and instructions to connect to the OpenStack cloud**
- **Each team will be given an OpenStack Liberty release cloud and access to the StackStorm server**
- **All teams will actively use the Nagios server to determine environment health**



SECTION 1

Services Auto-Recovery Approach

Using Nagios and StackStorm



OpenStack Services – the facts

- ✓ Services will fail (trust me its normal :D)
- ✓ There is an extreme amount of dependency between the core OpenStack services
- ✓ One services failure can and will cause other services to fail
- ✓ Recovering a service can be as simple as restarting the service(s)
- ✓ There are many ways to manage and monitor the individual services
 - a. Lots of prayers
 - b. Monitoring platform
 - c. Let Rackspace do it...

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Automated remediation –

is the ability to identify and verify system failures with the focus of taking actions in response to events in an automated fashion

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Lab Overview

- The teams will be tasked with first manually troubleshooting an OpenStack service failure
- Next the teams will then step thru the process of automating the recovery of OpenStack service(s) with StackStorm

Let's get started...

Please go to the URL below in your browser (case matters):

<https://goo.gl/z0Nhdk>

**Next connect to the Lab environment,
connection details are on the handout**

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GO!!!

Part 1 of the Lab will take 30-40 minutes

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SECTION 2

What is StackStorm?

StackStorm Overview



What is StackStorm?

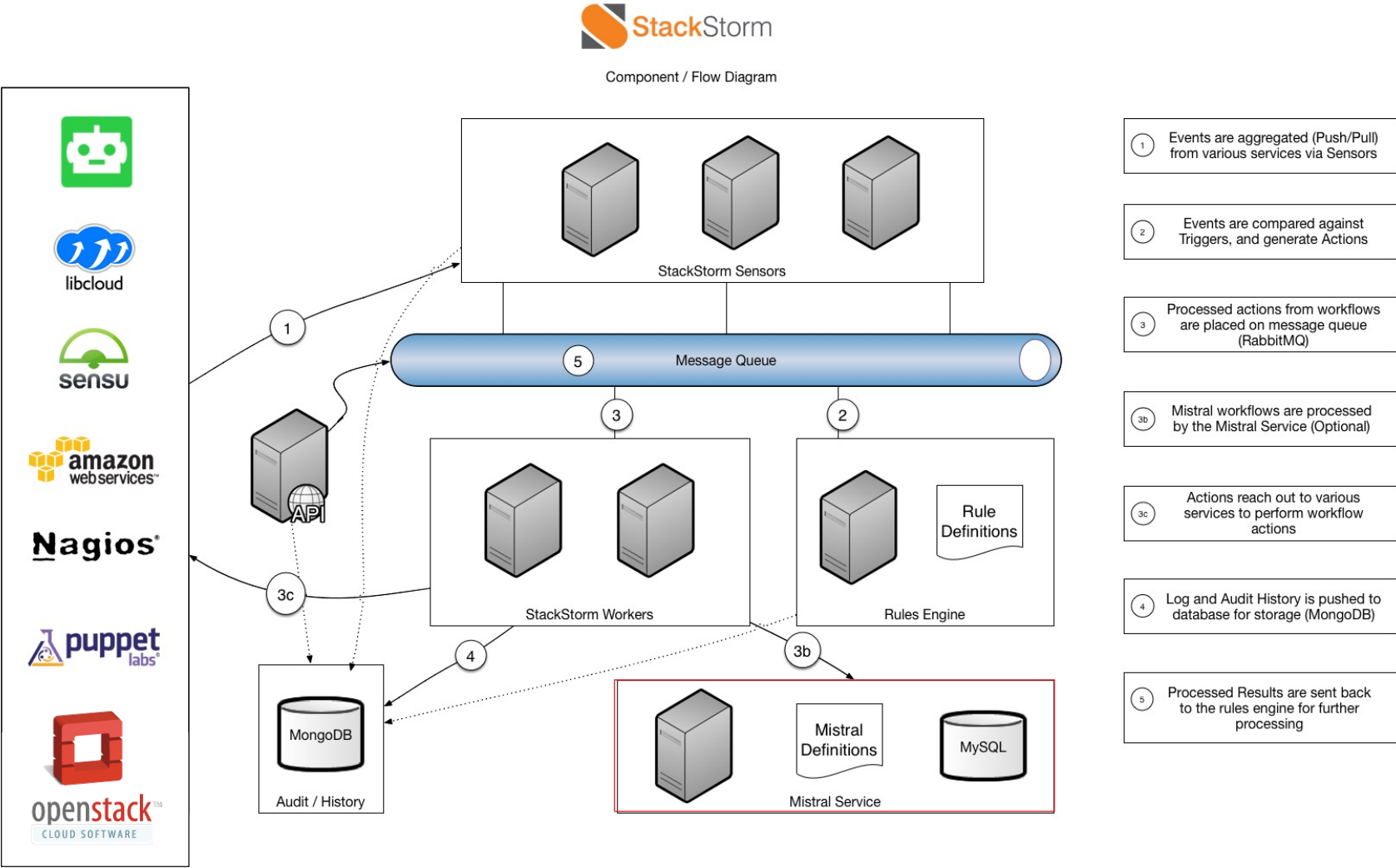
StackStorm is a platform for integration and automation across services and tools. It ties together your existing infrastructure and application environment so you can more easily automate that environment – with a particular focus on taking actions in response to events.

StackStorm helps automate common operational patterns.

- Facilitated Troubleshooting
- Automated remediation
- Continuous deployment

<https://docs.stackstorm.com/latest/overview.html>

StackStorm – How it Works



StackStorm – Nagios Integration Pack

Repo Location: <https://github.com/StackStorm/st2contrib/tree/master/packs/nagios>

Nagios Requirements:

- Must enable event handlers (global or service based)
- Be able to access the StackStorm API's
- Create custom Nagios command

Example:

```
define command {  
    command_name    stackstorm  
    command_line    /usr/lib/nagios/plugins/st2service_handler.py $SERVICEEVENTID$ "$SERVICEDESC$" $SERVICESTATE$ $SERVICESTATETYPE$  
                   $SERVICEATTEMPT$ $HOSTNAME$  
}
```

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4:00 p.m.	<i>Learning OpenStack Networking (Neutron) - 2nd Edition</i> James Denton
4:30 p.m.	<i>OpenStack Administration with Ansible</i> Walter Bentley

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