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vRealize Operations

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vROPs – Tame the VM

- Let's keep it interactive
- I'm not the expert, others may have valuable input
- Ask questions! The only dumb question is one that is never asked.
- Make comments
- What are your experiences with vROPs?
- Twitter @SirGeekness @KCVMUG

About me

- Originally from Baltimore, MD
- Lived in CA, WI, KY
- Currently live in Carmel, IN
- Have had a home lab since mid 1990s
- Geek my entire life
- Doing IT work since 1991
- Have had a love/hate relationship with VMware since 2005
- VCP-DCV, VCP-NV

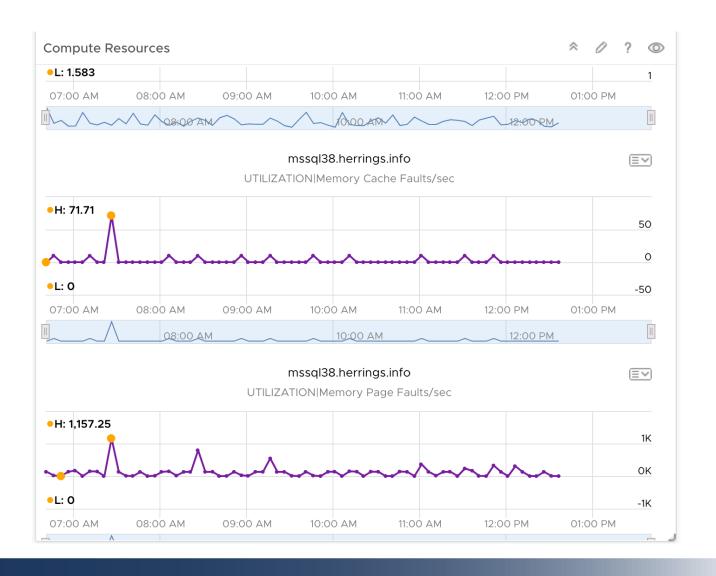


vROPs Features

- Single pane of glass visibility to infrastructure and workload
 - https://marketplace.vmware.com
 - https://bluemedora.com/
- Metric and Event correlation
- Identify performance issues
- Troubleshoot
- Capacity management and planning

EP Ops

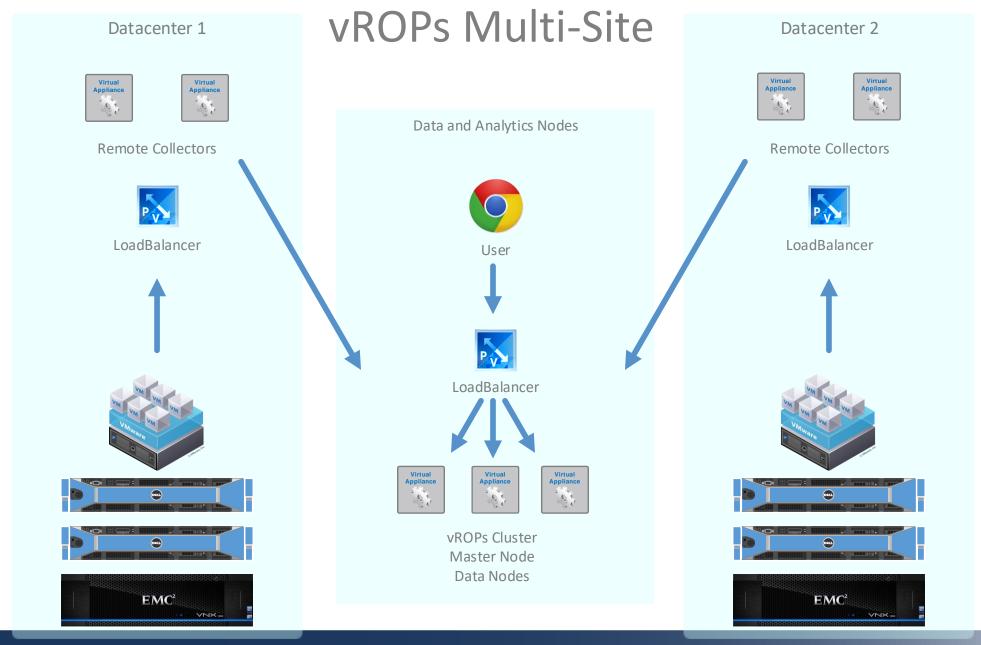
- Provide metrics and other information from individual VMs
- Correlate and create dashboards with other infrastructure items
- Identify issues from multiple points in the infrastructure



Architecture

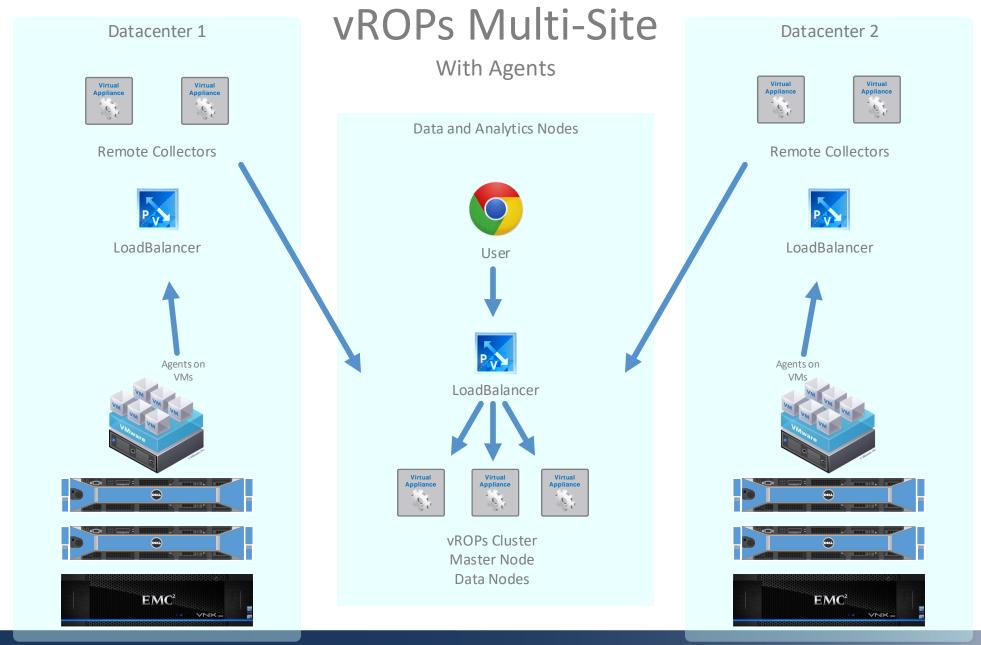
- Multiple nodes provide redundancy and load distribution
- LB architecture for client access as well as agent connectivity
- Does not include an ILB like Log Insight
- NSX Edge is supported as well as other common LBs
- In cluster configurations a SAN certificate is is needed because multiple hostnames will make up the cluster.
- Add Remote Collectors if gathering metrics from a remote site or use them locally to reduce the load of the Analytics nodes.
- Remote Collectors can be load balanced as well.





End Point Operations

- Agents provide additional metrics from within the operating system.
- A small set of metrics is enabled in the default policy. Additional metrics can be enabled through creating a new policy or modifying the one in use.
- Useful in providing metrics to troubleshoot performance issues within the OS.
 - MS SQL Server
 - JVM Application Servers
 - Other applications where memory utilization may not be visible through VMware Tools



EP Ops Installation

- Copy Thumbprint from the Admin vROPs console
- Create an EPOps service account within vROPs
- Locate the appropriate agent installer
 - Windows and Linux packages with Java included
- Run the installer and provide the following
 - vROPs Load Balancer or DNS alias hostname
 - Thumbprint
 - Service account
 - Finish install
- Verify new EP Ops host within vROPs Administration



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- Content available at:
 - https://github.com/craigeherring/vROPsDashboards
- Fun fact
 - Carmel has 102 Roundabouts
 - HomeLab is a full rack of gear



