

From logs to metrics.

on the desperate attempt to combat entropy

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How many logs
do we generate
every day?

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The quantity is not the only factor ...

How many standards - if any - we use to log?

How strictly we follow those standards formats?

How to transform kubernetes logs into metrics with the TICK stack.

*Almost everyone needs to govern their logs.
Deriving metrics, synthesizing and visualizing them helps
in decision making.*

git.io/k8s-logs-to-metrics-tick (PoC)

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First of all we needed a log parser.

But to parse which format ... ?

BSD-syslog - *RFC 3164* - resembled a de-facto standard.
Wide usage, lot of tools, long lifetime span (2001).

But ...

messy/informal RFC ...

no strict well-defined grammar

no single stable framing technique

too many customisations around.



Nope!

Thus we chose

RFC 5424 deprecates *RFC 3164*

- Well-defined grammar
- Octet counting framing
 - finally the stack trace for a panic in a single syslog ..
- TLS transport mapping
 - secure logs
- Only 9 years old - ie., 2009

```
1 SYSLOG-MSG = HEADER SP STRUCTURED-DATA [SP MSG]
2
3 HEADER = PRI VERSION SP TIMESTAMP SP HOSTNAME SP APP-NAME SP PROCID SP MSGID
4 PRI = "<" PRIVAL ">"
5 PRIVAL = 1*3DIGIT ; range 0 .. 191
6 VERSION = NONZERO-DIGIT 0*2DIGIT
7 HOSTNAME = NILVALUE / 1*255PRINTUSASCII
8
9 APP-NAME = NILVALUE / 1*31PRINTUSASCII
10 PRI = NILVALUE / 1*28PRINTUSASCII
11 MSGID = NILVALUE / 1*32PRINTUSASCII
12
13 TIMESTAMP = NILVALUE / FULL-DATE "T" FULL-TIME
14 FULL-DATE = DATE-FULLYEAR "-" DATE-MONTH "-" DATE-MDAY
15 DATE-FULLYEAR = 4DIGIT
16 DATE-MONTH = 2DIGIT ; 01-12
17 DATE-MDAY = 2DIGIT ; 01-28, 01-29, 01-30, 01-31 based on month/year
18 FULL-TIME = PARTIAL-TIME TIME-OFFSET
19 PARTIAL-TIME = TIME-HOUR ":" TIME-MINUTE ":" TIME-SECOND [TIME-SECFRAC]
20 TIME-HOUR = 2DIGIT ; 00-23
21 TIME-MINUTE = 2DIGIT ; 00-59
22 TIME-SECOND = 2DIGIT ; 00-59
23 TIME-SECFRAC = "." 1*6DIGIT
24 TIME-OFFSET = "Z" / TIME-NUMOFFSET
25 TIME-NUMOFFSET = ("+" / "-") TIME-HOUR ":" TIME-MINUTE
26
27 STRUCTURED-DATA = NILVALUE / 1*SD-ELEMENT
28 SD-ELEMENT = "[" SD-ID *(SP SD-PARAM) "]"
29 SD-PARAM = PARAM-NAME "=" %d34 PARAM-VALUE %d34
30 SD-ID = SD-NAME
31 PARAM-NAME = SD-NAME
32 PARAM-VALUE = UTF-8-STRING ; characters "'", '\', and ']' MUST be escaped.
33 SD-NAME = 1*32PRINTUSASCII ; except '=', SP, ']', %d34 (")
34
35 MSG = MSG-ANY / MSG-UTF8
36 MSG-ANY = *OCTET ; not starting with BOM
37 MSG-UTF8 = BOM UTF-8-STRING
38 BOM = %xEF.BB.BF
39 UTF-8-STRING = *OCTET ; UTF-8 string as specified in RFC 3629
40
41 OCTET = %d00-255
42 SP = %d32
43 PRINTUSASCII = %d33-126
44 NONZERO-DIGIT = %d49-57
45 DIGIT = %d48 / NONZERO-DIGIT
46 NILVALUE = "-"
```

Blazing fast syslog parser

[syslog](#)[parser](#)[ragel](#)[rfc5424](#)[rfc5425](#)[Manage topics](#)

We chose **Ragel** to create the (Go) syslog parser

github.com/influxdata/go-syslog

A state machine compiler

- regular languages -> FSM
- can execute code (actions) at arbitrary points
- non-determinism operators
- table or control flow driven state machines
- various host languages - c, c++, obj-c, asm, d, go, java, ruby, c#, ocaml


```

action dgt      { printf("DGT: %c\n", fc); }
action dec      { printf("DEC: .\n"); }
action exp      { printf("EXP: %c\n", fc); }
action exp_sign { printf("SGN: %c\n", fc); }
action number   { /*NUMBER*/ }

```

```

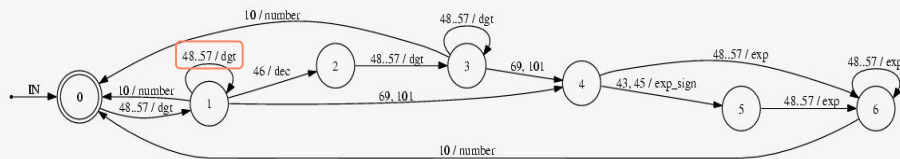
number = (
    [0-9]+ $dgt ( '.' @dec [0-9]+ $dgt )?
    ( [eE] ( [+\\-] $exp_sign )? [0-9]+ $exp )?
) %number;

```

```

main := ( number '\\n' )*;

```



```

st0:
    if ( ++p == pe )
        goto out0;
    if ( 48 <= (*p) && (*p) <= 57 )
        goto tr0;
    goto st_err;
tr0:
    { printf("DGT: %c\n", (*p)); }
st1:
    if ( ++p == pe )
        goto out1;
    switch ( (*p) ) {
        case 10: goto tr5;
        case 46: goto tr7;
        case 69: goto st4;
        case 101: goto st4;
    }
    if ( 48 <= (*p) && (*p) <= 57 )
        goto tr0;
    goto st_err;
// ...

```

The **gotos** are your best friends. Only when you do not write them!

go-syslog provides parsers for RFC 5424 and RFC 5425.

<85>1 2018-10-11T22:14:15.003Z leodido - 31932 - [ex@31932 iut="3"] An auth token...

Numerical Code	Facility
0	kernel messages
1	user-level messages
2	mail system
3	system daemons
4	security/authorization messages
5	messages generated internally by syslogd
6	line printer subsystem
7	network news subsystem
8	UUCP subsystem
9	clock daemon
10	security/authorization messages
11	FTP daemon
12	NTP subsystem
13	log audit
14	log alert
15	clock daemon (note 2)
16	local use 0 (local0)
17	local use 1 (local1)
18	local use 2 (local2)
19	local use 3 (local3)
20	local use 4 (local4)
21	local use 5 (local5)
22	local use 6 (local6)
23	local use 7 (local7)

Table 1. Syslog Message Facilities

Numerical Code	Severity
0	Emergency: system is unusable
1	Alert: action must be taken immediately
2	Critical: critical conditions
3	Error: error conditions
4	Warning: warning conditions
5	Notice: normal but significant condition
6	Informational: informational messages
7	Debug: debug-level messages

Table 2. Syslog Message Severities

$\text{prival} = \text{facility} * 8 + \text{severity}$

- tools.ietf.org/html/rfc5424.html (Syslog grammar)
- tools.ietf.org/html/rfc5425.html (TLS + octet counting)
- tools.ietf.org/html/rfc5426.html (UDP)
- tools.ietf.org/html/rfc6587.html (TCP + octet counting)
- man7.org/linux/man-pages/man3/syslog.3.html
- man7.org/linux/man-pages/man0/syslog.h.op.html
- man7.org/linux/man-pages/man1/logger.1.html

```

bestEffortOn := true
i := []byte(`<165>1 2018-10-11T22:14:15.003Z mymach.it e - 1 [ex@32473 iut="3"] An app event...`)
p := rfc5424.NewParser()
m, e := p.Parse(i, &bestEffortOn) // best effort mode on means both m and e can have value ...

```

This results in **m** being equal to the following **SyslogMessage** instance. While error **e** is **nil** in this case.

```

// (rfc5424.SyslogMessage){
//   priority: (*uint8)(165),
//   facility: (*uint8)(20),
//   severity: (*uint8)(5),
//   version: (uint16) 1,
//   timestamp: (*time.Time)(2018-10-11 22:14:15.003 +0000 UTC),
//   hostname: (*string)((len=9) "mymach.it"),
//   appname: (*string)((len=1) "e"),
//   procID: (*string)(<nil>),
//   msgID: (*string)((len=1) "1"),
//   structuredData: (*map[string]map[string]string)((len=1) {
//     (string) (len=8) "ex@32473": (map[string]string) (len=1) {
//       (string) (len=3) "iut": (string) (len=1) "3"
//     }
//   }),
//   message: (*string)((len=33) "An app event...")
// })

```

It provides also a builder.

Incrementally build valid syslog messages

```
msg := &SyslogMessage{}  
msg.SetTimestamp("not a RFC3339MICRO timestamp")  
// Not yet a valid message (try msg.Valid())  
msg.SetPriority(191)  
msg.SetVersion(1)  
msg.Valid() // Now it is minimally valid  
str, _ := msg.String()  
// str is "<191>1 - - - - -"
```

Notice that its API ignores input values that does not follow the grammar.

Performances.

- ~250ns to parse the smallest legal message
- ~2μs to parse an average legal message
- ~4μs to parse a very long legal message

[no]_empty_input_____	-4	30000000	253 ns/op	224 B/op	3 allocs/op
[no]_multiple_syslog_messages_on_multiple_lines___	-4	20000000	433 ns/op	304 B/op	12 allocs/op
[no]_impossible_timestamp_____	-4	10000000	1080 ns/op	528 B/op	11 allocs/op
[no]_malformed_structured_data_____	-4	20000000	552 ns/op	400 B/op	12 allocs/op
[no]_with_duplicated_structured_data_id_____	-4	5000000	1246 ns/op	688 B/op	17 allocs/op
[ok]_minimal_____	-4	30000000	264 ns/op	247 B/op	9 allocs/op
[ok]_average_message_____	-4	5000000	1984 ns/op	1536 B/op	26 allocs/op
[ok]_complicated_message_____	-4	5000000	1644 ns/op	1280 B/op	25 allocs/op
[ok]_very_long_message_____	-4	2000000	3826 ns/op	2464 B/op	28 allocs/op
[ok]_all_max_length_and_complete_____	-4	3000000	2792 ns/op	1888 B/op	28 allocs/op
[ok]_all_max_length_except_structured_data_and_mes	-4	5000000	1830 ns/op	883 B/op	13 allocs/op
[ok]_minimal_with_message_containing_newline_____	-4	20000000	294 ns/op	250 B/op	10 allocs/op
[ok]_w/o_procid,_w/o_structured_data,_with_message	-4	10000000	956 ns/op	364 B/op	11 allocs/op
[ok]_minimal_with_UTF-8_message_____	-4	20000000	586 ns/op	359 B/op	10 allocs/op
[ok]_with_structured_data_id,_w/o_structured_data_	-4	10000000	998 ns/op	592 B/op	14 allocs/op
[ok]_with_multiple_structured_data_____	-4	5000000	1538 ns/op	1232 B/op	22 allocs/op
[ok]_with_escaped_backslash_within_structured_data	-4	5000000	1316 ns/op	920 B/op	20 allocs/op
[ok]_with_UTF-8_structured_data_param_value,_with_	-4	5000000	1580 ns/op	1050 B/op	21 allocs/op

Telegraf is the plugin-driven server agent for collecting & reporting metrics.

github.com/influxdata/telegraf

Thus we created the *syslog input plugin* for it, using *go-syslog*

- Listens for syslog messages transmitted over UDP - RFC 5426 - or TCP.
- Supports (atm) only messages formatted according to RFC 5424.
- Supports TLS, octet framing (both over TCP - RFC 6587 - and TLS - RFC 5425).
- BSD format - RFC 3164 - in progress.



Metrics

Measurement: syslog

- tags
 - severity (string)
 - facility (string)
 - hostname (string)
 - appname (string)
- fields
 - version (integer)
 - severity_code (integer)
 - facility_code (integer)
 - timestamp (integer) - the time recorded in the syslog message
 - procid (string)
 - msgid (string)
 - sdid (bool)
 - structured data elements (string)
- timestamp - the time the messages was received

```
[[inputs.syslog]]
  ## Specify an ip or hostname with port - eg., tcp://localhost:6514, tcp://10.0.0.1:6514
  ## Protocol, address and port to host the syslog receiver.
  ## If no host is specified, then localhost is used.
  ## If no port is specified, 6514 is used (RFC5425#section-4.1).
  server = "tcp://:6514"

  ## TLS Config
  # tls_allowed_cacerts = ["/etc/telegraf/ca.pem"]
  # tls_cert = "/etc/telegraf/cert.pem"
  # tls_key = "/etc/telegraf/key.pem"

  ## Period between keep alive probes.
  ## 0 disables keep alive probes.
  ## Defaults to the OS configuration.
  ## Only applies to stream sockets (e.g. TCP).
  # keep_alive_period = "5m"

  ## Maximum number of concurrent connections (default = 0).
  ## 0 means unlimited.
  ## Only applies to stream sockets (e.g. TCP).
  # max_connections = 1024

  ## Read timeout is the maximum time allowed for reading a single message (default = 5s).
  ## 0 means unlimited.
  # read_timeout = "5s"

  ## Whether to parse in best effort mode or not (default = false).
  ## By default best effort parsing is off.
  # best_effort = false

  ## Character to prepend to SD-PARAMs (default = "_").
  ## A syslog message can contain multiple parameters and multiple identifiers within structured data
  ## Eg., [id1 name1="val1" name2="val2"][id2 name1="val1" nameA="valA"]
  ## For each combination a field is created.
  ## Its name is created concatenating identifier, sdparam_separator, and parameter name.
  # sdparam_separator = "_"
```


Input (with octet counting)

```
169 <165>1 2018-10-01:14:15.000Z mymachine.example.com evntslog - ID47 [exampleSDID@32473
iut="3" eventSource="Application" eventID="1011"] An application event log entry...
```

Output

```
syslog, appname=evntslog, facility=local4, hostname=mymachine.example.com, severity=notice
exampleSDID@32473_eventID="1011", exampleSDID@32473_eventSource="Application", exampleSDID@32
473_iut="3", facility_code=20i, message="An application event log
entry...", msgid="ID47", severity_code=5i, timestamp=1065910455003000000i, version=1i
1538421339749472344
```

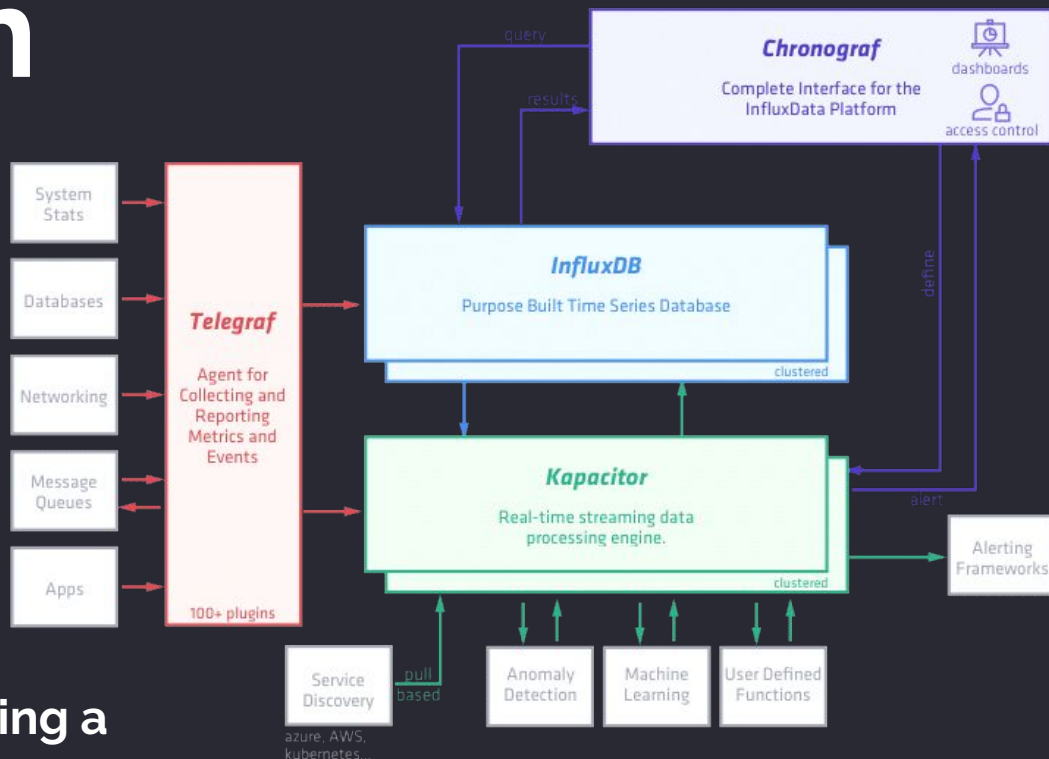
Our solution

Grab k8s and kernel logs from journald.

Parse them via telegraf syslog input plugin.

Visualize logs with chronograf log viewer.

Elicit new metrics to plot applying a kapacitor UDF.



[illegible]

Using rsyslog to grab RFC 5424 syslog messages from journald.

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: ConfigMap
metadata:
  name: rsyslog
  namespace: logging
  labels:
    component: rsyslog
    app: rsyslog
data:
  rsyslog.conf: |+
    # ...
    module(load="imjournal" ...)
    # This module only works with the journald and json-file docker log drivers
    module(load="mmkubernetes" tls.cacert="..." tokenfile="..." annotation_match=["."])
    # Extracts k8s metadata
    action(type="mmkubernetes")
    # ...
    # Compose RFC5424 message
    template(name="rfc5424" type="list") { ... }
    action(type="omfwd" target="127.0.0.1" port="6514" protocol="tcp" tcp_framing="octet-counted"
      template="rfc5424" ...)
```

Setup telegraf syslog plugin to receive log messages over TCP.

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: ConfigMap
metadata:
  name: telegraf
  namespace: logging
  labels:
    component: telegraf
    app: telegraf
data:
  telegraf.conf: |+
    # ...
    [agent]
      interval = "10s"
      round_interval = true
      metric_batch_size = 1000
    # ...
    [[outputs.influxdb]]
      urls = ["http://influxdb:8086"] # required
      database = "telegraf" # required
      retention_policy = "autogen"
      write_consistency = "any"
      timeout = "1m"
    [[inputs.syslog]]
      server = "tcp://:6514"
      best_effort = true
```



Let's deploy chronograf and influxDB

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: Service
metadata:
  name: chronograf
  namespace: logging
  labels:
    component: chronograf
    app: chronograf
spec:
  ports:
    - port: 80
      targetPort: 8888
      name: server
  selector:
    component: chronograf
---
apiVersion: apps/v1
kind: Deployment
# ...
```

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: Service
metadata:
  name: influxdb
  namespace: logging
  labels:
    component: influxdb
    app: influxdb
  annotations:
    service.alpha.kubernetes.io/tolerate-unready-endpoints: "true"
spec:
  clusterIP: None
  ports:
    - port: 8086
      name: server
  selector:
    component: influxdb
---
apiVersion: apps/v1
kind: StatefulSet
# ...
```



Displaying 2582 events in histogram

1h Window



Search logs using keywords or regular expressions...

1h ago

Search

Truncate

Wrap

Severity	Timestamp	Message	Facility	Proc ID	Application	Host
notice	2018-10-02 21:53:52	audit: type=1300 audit(1538510032.727:2436): arch=c000003e syscall=54 success=yes exit=0 a0=3 a1=0 a2=40 a3=557d9402b7c0 items=...	kernel		kernel	
notice	2018-10-02 21:53:52	audit: type=1325 audit(1538510032.727:2436): table=filter family=2 entries=33	kernel		kernel	
notice	2018-10-02 21:53:52	PROCTITLE proctitle=69707461626c65732d726573746f7265002d2d6e6f666c757368002d2d636f756e74657273	audit		audit	
notice	2018-10-02 21:53:52	SYSCALL arch=c000003e syscall=54 success=yes exit=0 a0=3 a1=0 a2=40 a3=557d9402b7c0 items=0 ppid=3823 pid=26670 audit=42949672...	auth	26670	audit	
notice	2018-10-02 21:53:52	NETFILTER_CFG table=filter family=2 entries=33	auth		audit	
info	2018-10-02 21:53:37	INFO: == Kubernetes addon reconcile completed at 2018-10-02T19:53:37+0000 ==	user	2398	kube-system/kube-...	
info	2018-10-02 21:53:37	serviceaccount "storage-provisioner" unchanged	user	2398	kube-system/kube-...	
info	2018-10-02 21:53:37	INFO: == Reconciling with addon-manager label ==	user	2398	kube-system/kube-...	
err	2018-10-02 21:53:37	error: no objects passed to apply	user	2398	kube-system/kube-...	
err	2018-10-02 21:53:36	rsyslogd: omfwd: TCPSendBuf error -2027, destruct TCP Connection to 127.0.0.1:6514 [v8.36.0 try http://www.rsyslog.com/e/2027...	user	2398	logging/telegraf-...	
info	2018-10-02 21:53:36	INFO: == Reconciling with deprecated label ==	user	2398	kube-system/kube-...	
info	2018-10-02 21:53:36	action 'action 2' resumed (module 'builtin:omfwd') [v8.36.0 try http://www.rsyslog.com/e/2359]	syslog		rsyslogd	
warning	2018-10-02 21:53:36	action 'action 2' suspended (module 'builtin:omfwd'), retry 0. There should be messages before this one giving the reason for...	syslog		rsyslogd	
err	2018-10-02 21:53:36	omfwd: TCPSendBuf error -2027, destruct TCP Connection to 127.0.0.1:6514 [v8.36.0 try http://www.rsyslog.com/e/2027]	syslog		rsyslogd	
info	2018-10-02 21:53:36	INFO: == Kubernetes addon ensure completed at 2018-10-02T19:53:36+0000 ==	user	2398	kube-system/kube-...	
info	2018-10-02 21:53:36	INFO: Leader is minikube	user	2398	kube-system/kube-...	
err	2018-10-02 21:53:23	rsyslogd: omfwd: TCPSendBuf error -2027, destruct TCP Connection to 127.0.0.1:6514 [v8.36.0 try http://www.rsyslog.com/e/2027...	user	2398	logging/telegraf-...	
info	2018-10-02 21:53:23	action 'action 2' resumed (module 'builtin:omfwd') [v8.36.0 try http://www.rsyslog.com/e/2359]	syslog		rsyslogd	
warning	2018-10-02 21:53:23	action 'action 2' suspended (module 'builtin:omfwd'), retry 0. There should be messages before this one giving the reason for...	syslog		rsyslogd	
err	2018-10-02 21:53:23	omfwd: TCPSendBuf error -2027, destruct TCP Connection to 127.0.0.1:6514 [v8.36.0 try http://www.rsyslog.com/e/2027]	syslog		rsyslogd	
notice	2018-10-02 21:53:22	audit: type=1327 audit(1538510002.687:2437): proctitle=69707461626c65732d726573746f7265002d2d6e6f666c757368002d2d636f756e7465...	kernel		kernel	
notice	2018-10-02 21:53:22	audit: type=1300 audit(1538510002.687:2437): arch=c000003e syscall=54 success=yes exit=0 a0=3 a1=0 a2=40 a3=5652315d95e0 item...	kernel		kernel	
notice	2018-10-02 21:53:22	audit: type=1325 audit(1538510002.687:2437): table=filter family=2 entries=61	kernel		kernel	
notice	2018-10-02 21:53:22	SYSCALL arch=c000003e syscall=54 success=yes exit=0 a0=3 a1=0 a2=40 a3=5652315d95e0 items=0 ppid=3823 pid=26447 audit=42949672...	auth	26447	audit	
notice	2018-10-02 21:53:22	audit=4294967295 uid=0 gid=0 fsuid=0 egid=0 sgid=0 fsgid=0 tty=(none) ses=4294967295 comm="iptables-restore"	auth		audit	
notice	2018-10-02 21:53:22	exe="/sbin/iptables-multi" subj=kernel key=(null)	kernel		kernel	
notice	2018-10-02 21:53:22	audit: type=1300 audit(1538510002.685:2436): arch=c000003e syscall=54 success=yes exit=0 a0=3 a1=0 a2=40 a3=5652315d95e0 item...	kernel		kernel	
notice	2018-10-02 21:53:22	audit: type=1325 audit(1538510002.685:2436): table=filter family=2 entries=33	kernel		kernel	
notice	2018-10-02 21:53:22	PROCTITLE proctitle=69707461626c65732d726573746f7265002d2d6e6f666c757368002d2d636f756e74657273	auth		audit	
notice	2018-10-02 21:53:22	SYSCALL arch=c000003e syscall=54 success=yes exit=0 a0=3 a1=0 a2=40 a3=5652315d95e0 items=0 ppid=3823 pid=26447 audit=42949672...	auth	26447	audit	
notice	2018-10-02 21:53:22	NETFILTER_CFG table=filter family=2 entries=33	auth		audit	
err	2018-10-02 21:52:53	rsyslogd: omfwd: TCPSendBuf error -2027, destruct TCP Connection to 127.0.0.1:6514 [v8.36.0 try http://www.rsyslog.com/e/2027...	user	2398	logging/telegraf-...	



Dynamic Source

Flux

InfluxQL



CSV



Past 1h



time	syslog.message	syslog.label_component
10/02/2018 11:58:09	I1002 09:58:09.074356 1 leaderelection.go:175] attempting to acquire leader lease kube-system/kube-controller-manager...	kube-controller-manag
10/02/2018 11:58:25	I1002 09:58:25.289555 1 controller_utils.go:1019] Waiting for caches to sync for bootstrap_signer controller	kube-controller-manag
10/02/2018 11:58:25	I1002 09:58:25.552953 1 resource_quota_monitor.go:228] QuotaMonitor created object count evaluator for {extensions deployments}	kube-controller-manag
10/02/2018 11:58:25	I1002 09:58:25.554906 1 resource_quota_monitor.go:228] QuotaMonitor created object count evaluator for {batch jobs}	kube-controller-manag
10/02/2018 11:58:25	W1002 09:58:25.554969 1 shared_informer.go:311] resyncPeriod 55346017222036 is smaller than resyncCheckPeriod 65462554351374 and the Informer has already started. Changing it to 65462554351374	kube-controller-manag
10/02/2018 11:58:25	I1002 09:58:25.556401 1 resource_quota_monitor.go:228] QuotaMonitor created object count evaluator for {extensions replicaset}	kube-controller-manag
10/02/2018 11:58:25	I1002 09:58:25.558071 1 resource_quota_monitor.go:228] QuotaMonitor created object count evaluator for {apps statefulsets}	kube-controller-manag

SELECT "message", "label_component" FROM "tele... ×



```
SELECT "message", "label_component" FROM "telegraf"."autogen"."syslog" WHERE time > :dashboardTime: AND "appname"='kube-system/kube-controller-manager-minikube'
```

✓ Success!

Show Template Values

Metaquery Templates

Submit Query

DB.RetentionPolicy

Measurements & Tags

Filter

_internal.monitor

syslog

telegraf.autogen

appname - 11

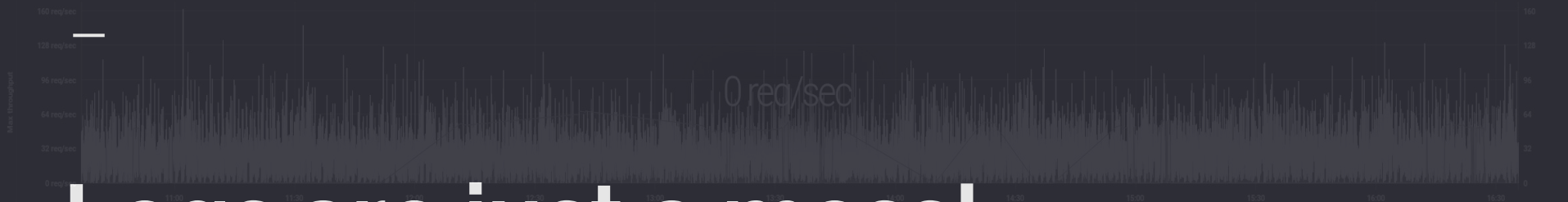
Group By appname

Filter within appname

- ☐ audit
- ☐ dockerd
- ☐ kernel
- ☐ kube-system/etcd-minikube
- ☐ kube-system/kube-addon-manager-minikube
- ☒ kube-system/kube-controller-manager-minikube
- ☐ kubelet
- ☐ logging/chronograf-5c85dd45f6-s7rgn
- ☐ logging/telegraf-j9vdw
- ☐ rsyslogd
- ☐ sshd

Fields

- ☐ facility_code
- ☐ id_container
- ☐ id_namespace
- ☐ id_pod
- ☒ label_component 0 Functions
- ☐ label_controller-revision-hash
- ☒ message 0 Functions
- ☐ procid
- ☐ severity_code
- ☐ timestamp
- ☐ version



Logs are just a mess!

Inspecting logs coming from a single server is easy.
Inspecting logs coming from a distributed system is hard.



We need metrics!



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Now we want to detect and **count the OOMs.**

Logs are streams.

We need a streaming processor!

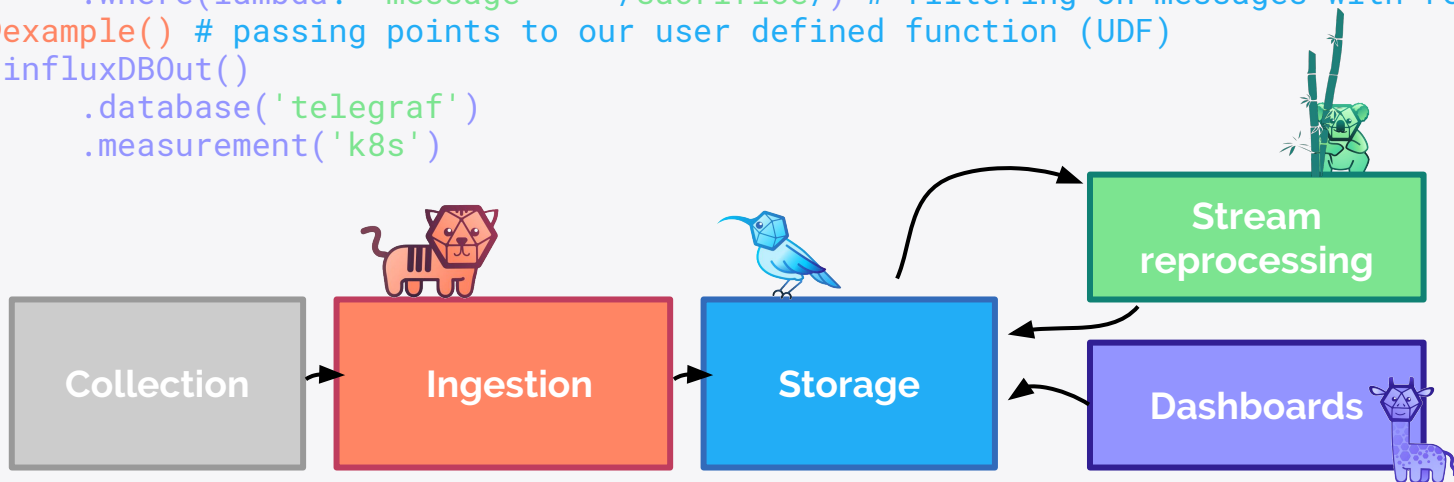
github.com/influxdata/kapacitor

A streaming processor can be programmed to identify the patterns we want and act on them, e.g: OOM Kills.

Memory cgroup out of memory: Kill process 13012 (stress) score 1958 or **sacrifice** child

Let's write a tick script to grab log points

```
dbbp "telegraf"."autogen"  
stream  
  |from()  
    .measurement('syslog')  
    .truncate(1ms)  
    .where(lambda: "appname" == 'kernel') # filter by points tag  
    .where(lambda: "message" =~ /sacrifice/) # filtering on messages with regex  
@example() # passing points to our user defined function (UDF)  
|influxDBOut()  
  .database('telegraf')  
  .measurement('k8s')
```





Let's configure kapacitor

```
# ...
[udf]
[udf.functions]
  [udf.functions.example]
    socket = "/tmp/example.sock"
    timeout = "10s"

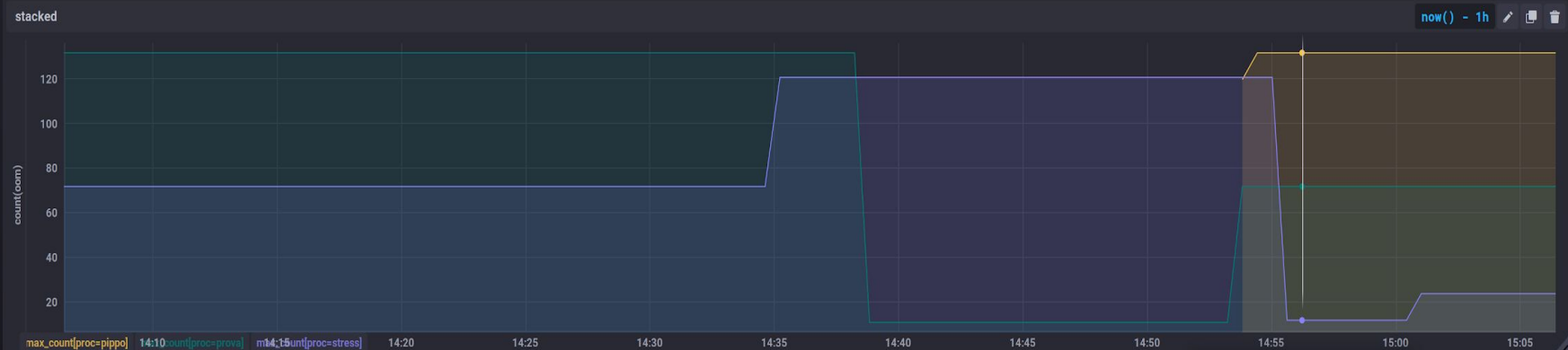
[[influxdb]]
  enabled = true
  default = true
  name = "logging"
  urls = ["http://localhost:8086"]
  timeout = 0
  startup-timeout = "5m"

[influxdb.subscriptions]
  telegraf = ["autogen"]
```



Let's write the UDF

```
func (h *handler) Point(p *agent.Point) error {
    var r = regexp.MustCompile(`(?m).*Kill process (?P<pid>\d+) (?P<proc>\(.*\)) score (?P<score>\d+)`)
    message, ok := p.FieldsString["message"]
    if ok {
        m := r.FindStringSubmatch(message)
        data := mapSubexpNames(m, r.SubexpNames())
        proc := strings.Trim(data["proc"], "()")
        state := h.state[proc]
        if state == nil {
            state := &myState{Counter: 0}
            h.state[proc] = state
        }
        h.state[proc].update()
        newpoint := &agent.Point{
            Time: time.Now().UnixNano(),
            Tags: map[string]string{
                "proc": proc,
                "pid":  string(data["pid"]),
            },
            FieldsInt: map[string]int64{
                "count": h.state[proc].Counter,
            },
        }
        // Send point
        h.agent.Responses <- &agent.Response{
            Message: &agent.Response_Point{
                Point: newpoint,
            },
        }
    }
    return nil
}
```



Untitled Graph



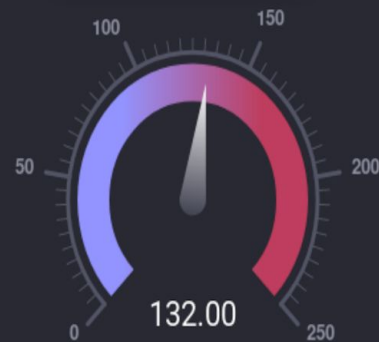
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k8s_max_count[proc=pippo]	132
k8s_max_count[proc=prova]	72
k8s_max_count[proc=stress]	12





Dynamic Source

Flux

InfluxQL

CSV

II

Past 6h



SELECT "count" FROM "telegraf"."autogen"."k8s" W...



```
SELECT "count" FROM "telegraf"."autogen"."k8s" WHERE time > now() - 6h AND "proc"='stress'
```

✓ Success!

Show Template Values

Metaquery Templates

Submit Query

DB.RetentionPolicy

Measurements & Tags

Filter

Fields

_internal.monitor

telegraf.autogen

▼ k8s

▶ pid - 15

▼ proc - 3

Filter within proc

plppo

prova

● stress

▶ syslog

=

● count

0 Functions

Group By proc

Thanks.

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git.io/k8s-logs-to-metrics-tick

git.io/go-syslog

github.com/influxdata

