Firehose: a Unified Message Bus for Infra Services

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https://github.com/mtreinish/firehose/tree/boston-summit

OpenStack Infrastructure

Imagine a big, complicated diagram here.

Firehose

- ► An MQTT broker for the OpenStack community infrastructure
- ► Has anonymous, read-only access via MQTT on 1883/tcp
- ► SSL/TLS MQTT also available on 8883/tcp
- Websockets supported (but temporarily disabled)

MQTT

- ► Pub/sub messaging protocol
- ► Formerly MQ Telemetry Transport
- ► ISO/IEC PRF 20922
- ▶ Protocol dates back to 1999
- ► Lightweight design, low bandwidth

MQTT Topics

- ► Topcis are heirarchical
- ► Support wild carding

MQTT Brokers

MQTT Clients

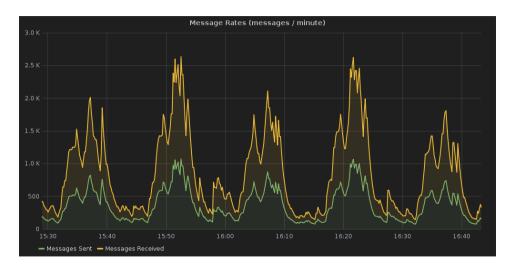
The Firehose

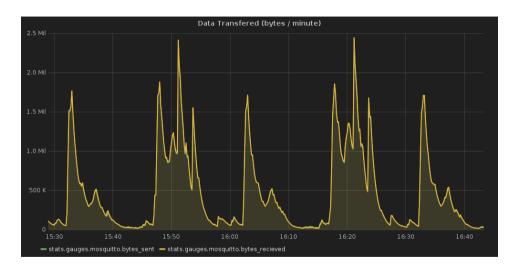
Mosquitto

Services Using the Firehose

Service	Base Topic	Source of Messages
Ansible	ansible	Ansible MQTT Callback Plugin
Gerrit	gerrit	germqtt
Launchpad	launchpad	lpmqtt
Subunit Gearman Worker	gearman-subunit	subunit-gearman-worker

Typical Firehose Load

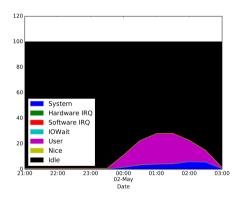




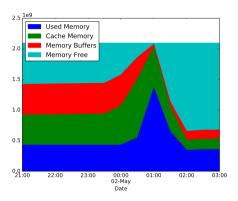
The limits of scaling



CPU Usage:



Memory Usage:



Using Firehose

Example mosquitto client subscriber command line (provided in a mosquitto-clients package on many distros):

```
mosquitto_sub -h firehose.openstack.org --topic '#'
```

Listen for all Nova Comments in python

► CLI:

mosquitto_sub -h firehose.openstack.org --topic gerrit/openstack/nova/comment-added

► Python:

```
import paho.mgtt.client as mgtt
def on connect(client, userdata, flags, rc):
    print("Connected with result code " + str(rc))
    client.subscribe('gerrit/openstack/nova/comment-added')
def on message(client, userdata, msg):
    print(msg.topic+" "+str(msg.payload))
# Create a websockets client
client = matt. Client()
client on connect = on connect
client.on message = on message
# Connect to the firehose
client.connect('firehose.openstack.org', port=1883)
# Listen forever
client.loop forever()
```

Potential Applications for Firehose

Future Plans

- ► Add germqtt subscription support to:
 - Gerritbot (already PoC)
 - ► Zuul v3+
- ► Add more publishers:
 - Nodepool daemons
 - ► Zuul v3+
 - (your favorite service here)

Where to get more information

- openstack-infra ML openstack-infra@lists.openstack.org
- ► #openstack-infra on Freenode
- http://docs.openstack.org/infra/system-config/firehose.html
- https://docs.openstack.org/infra/system-config/firehose_schema.html
- http://specs.openstack.org/openstack-infra/infra-specs/specs/firehose.html
- ► http://mqtt.org/
- https://mosquitto.org/