

Fraud Application Hardening

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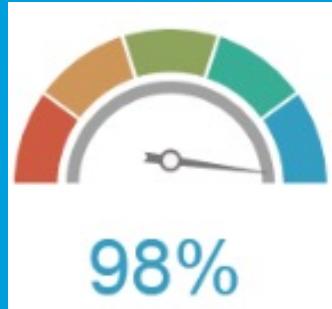
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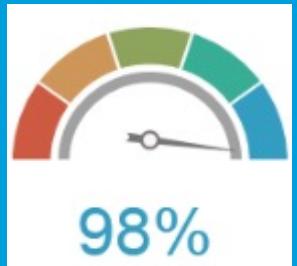
A **release** is like a **boat**. 80% of the holes plugged is **not** good enough.

1. Infrastructure

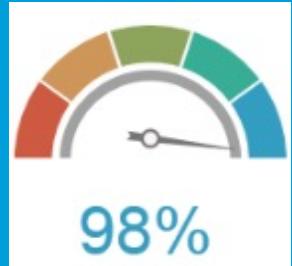
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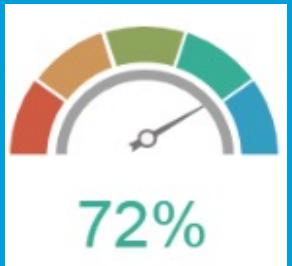
Overall Fraud Health



Avertack UI Health



Decision Engine Health



Internal APIs Health



3rd Party/External APIs Health



ML Models Health



MongoDB Health



Kafka Health



Redis Health



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Memory Usage

Max CPI Memory Used

Avg CPU Memory Used

CPU Memory Promise Success

Work Rescheduled

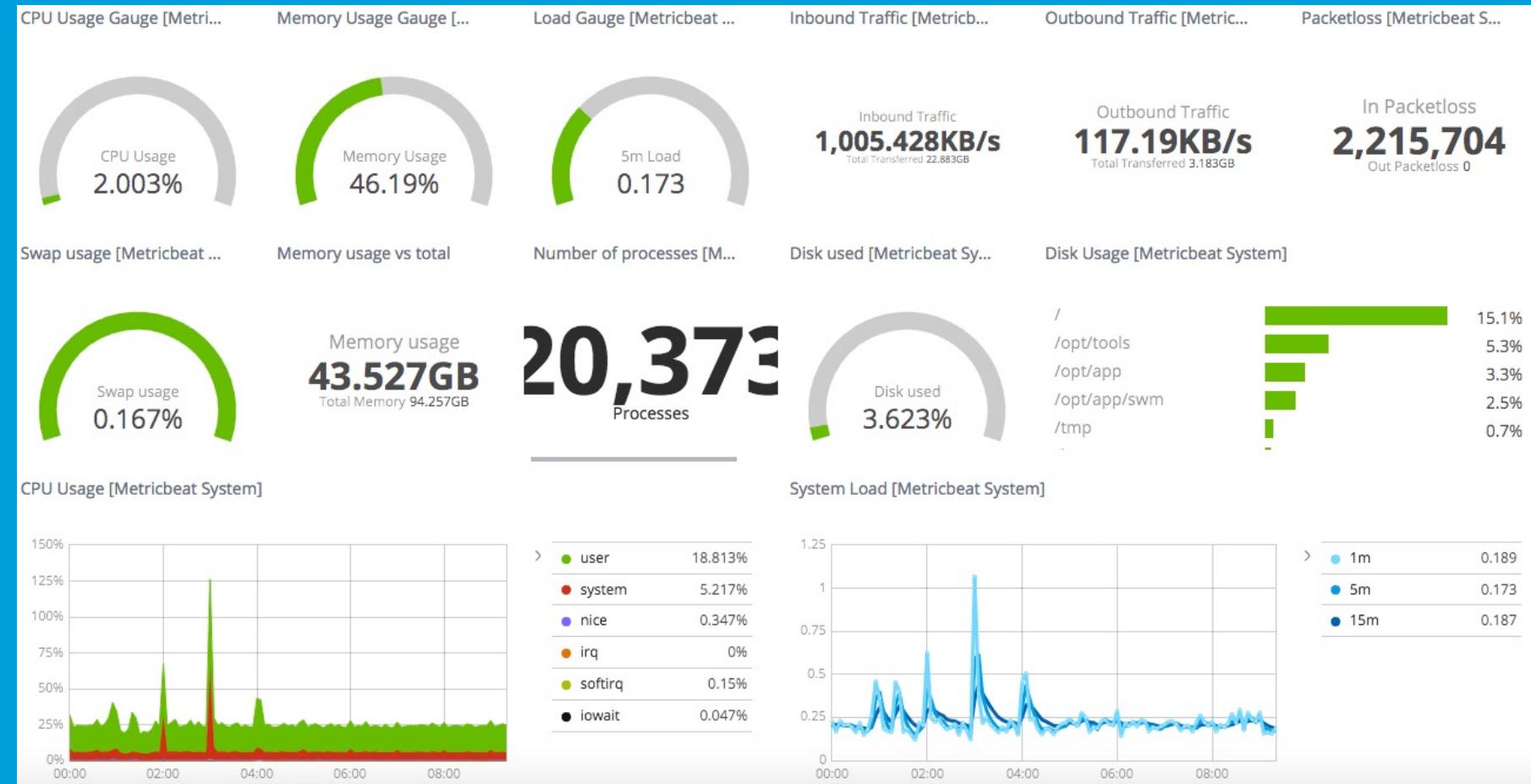
Max CPU Memory Clock

Max CPU Processor Clock

CPU Memory Promised

CPI Memory Available for Promise

Max CPU Process Count



2. Internal and External APIs

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Developers use APIs to integrate their applications with a third-party resource, such as a public cloud service or a SaaS application

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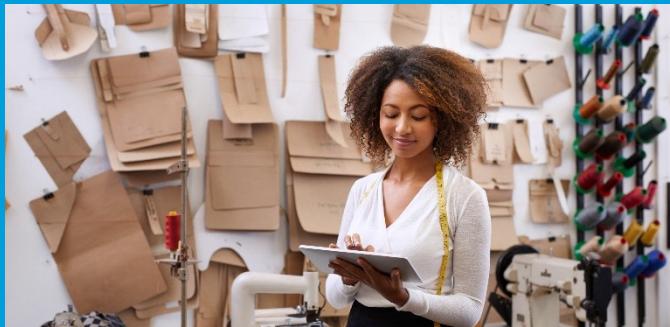
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Volume Metrics



Decision engine to monitor standard deviation of volume

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Portal for external connection

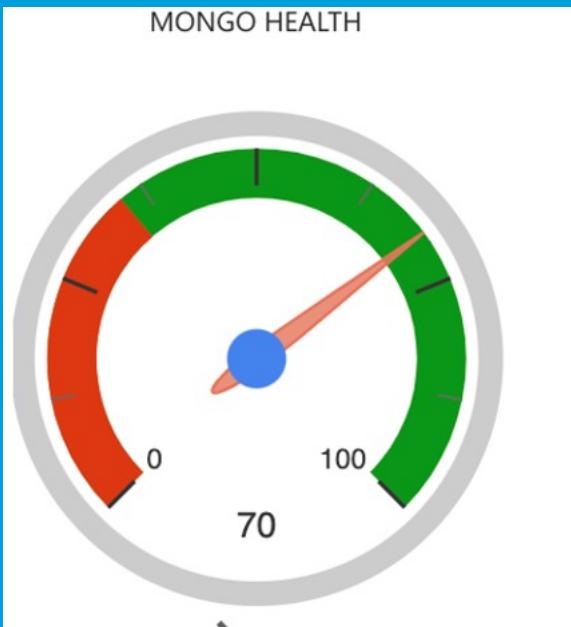
External third-party systems

- External entry point into AT&T network
- Third parties' access internal API through a portal
- Tracer used to send API as if we're an external third party

4. Database

Database (MongoDB)

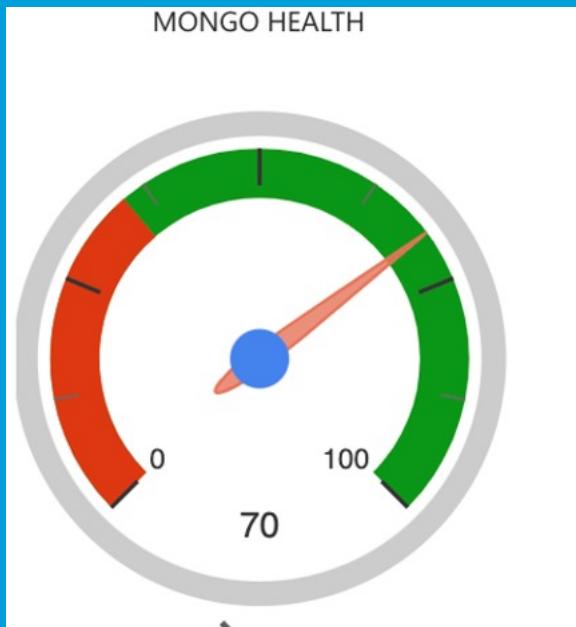
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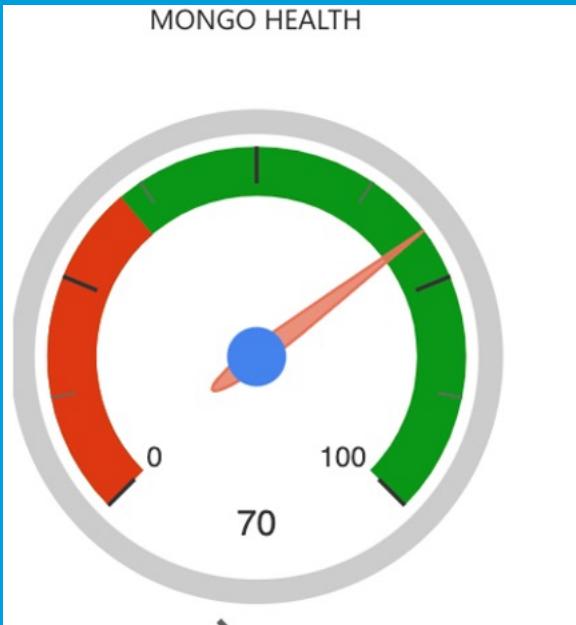
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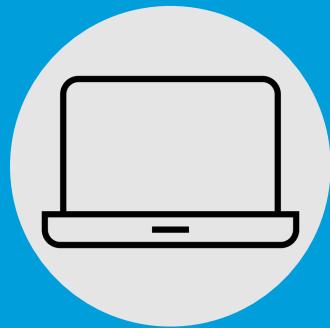
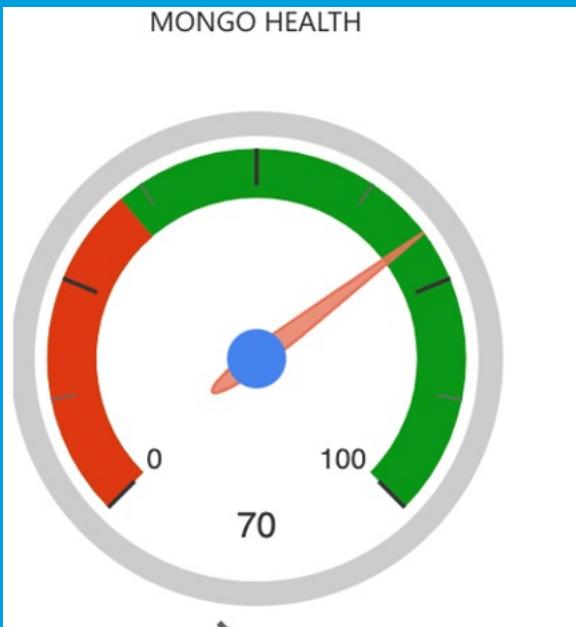
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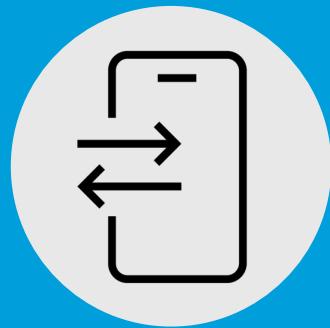
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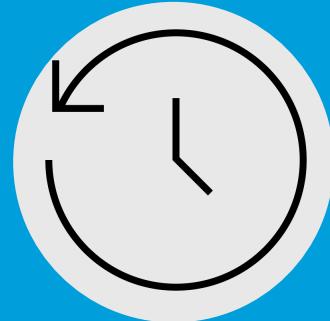
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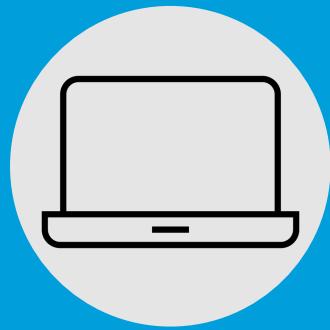
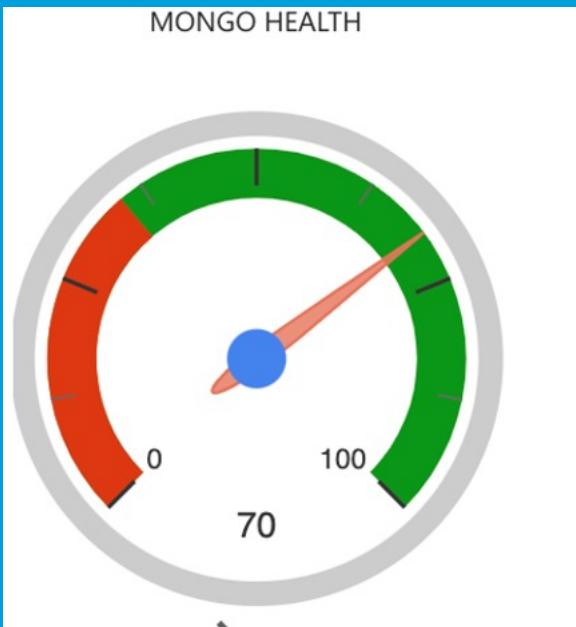
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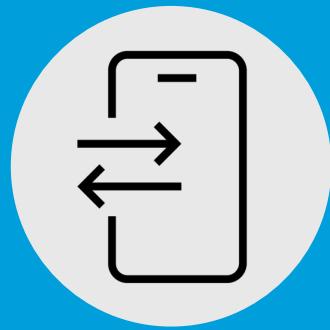
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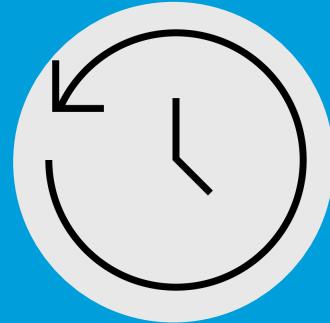
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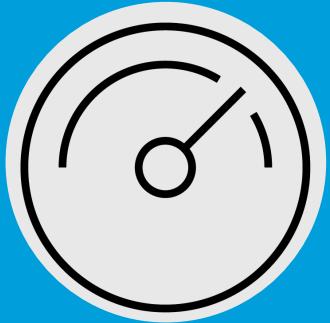
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Heavy disk usage

5. Messaging System

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Publish & Subscribe to Topics

Constantly aggregating messages published

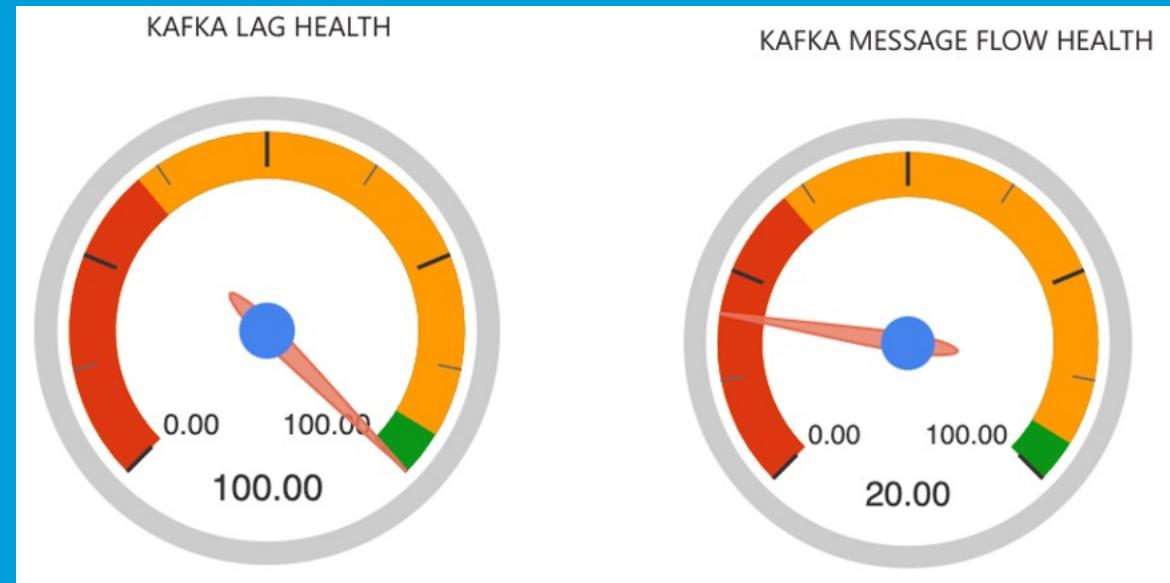
- Configured to count on a time window
- Topic messages should never be zero
- Every 60 minutes, ensure something is published

6. Kafka

Kafka Lag Health

Produce & consume messages

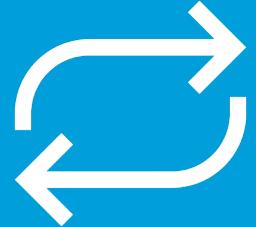
- If lag exists, consumers are down
- Process when received
- Producer flow health



7. Machine Learning Models

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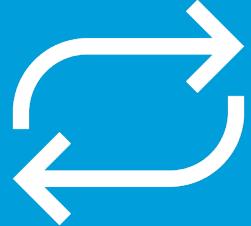
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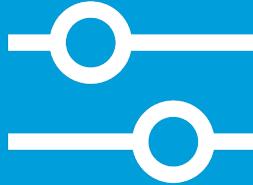
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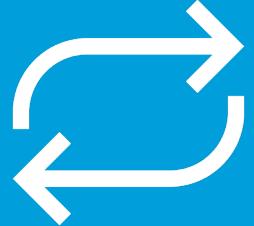
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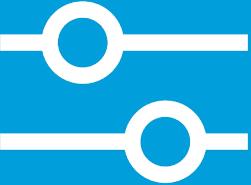
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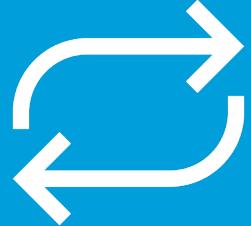
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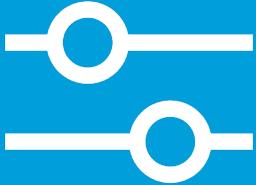
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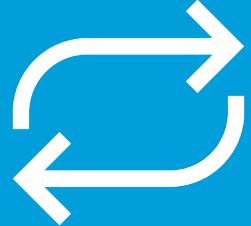
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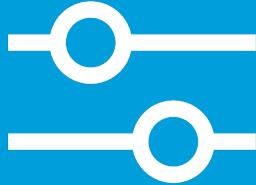
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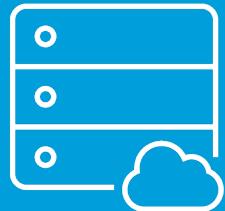
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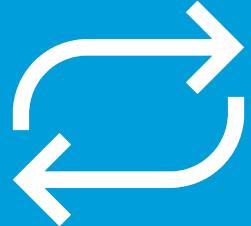


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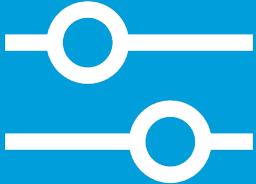
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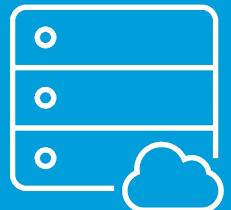
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Test connection and
service calls

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Verify results

8. Certificates

Certificates

Certificates are updated once a year. This impacts connections due to authentication.

Monitor rules for certificates

- All physical certificates on each server
- Based on physical machines, not systems
- Check is run every morning
- Certificate status, sends alert when certificate is about to expire

9. Feeds

Record Absentee Detection

Rules run against Mongo DB collections

- Check as records are coming in
- If a feed goes away, we want to be alerted
- Application-level and case-level monitoring

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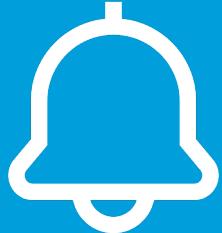
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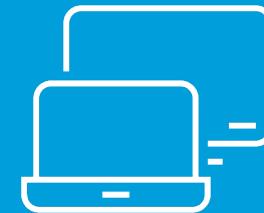
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Created targeted
remediation group for each
business flow

Conclusion

All encapsulating monitoring and alerting tool

Fraud Application Hardening – complete protection

- Customized rules & logic
- Correlate all alerts based on unique key
- Aggregate and generate one alert

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