Shipping Go Without Sinking



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Speaker Introduction

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What is Telegraf?

Collect data, organizes it, and push it where you want

- 40+ releases of Telegraf
- Open Source, MIT License
- 1000+ Unique Contributors





A successful release of Telegraf

- Single Binary
- Cross Platform
- Dockerfile + Helm Chart
- Announce release



Before Release Day

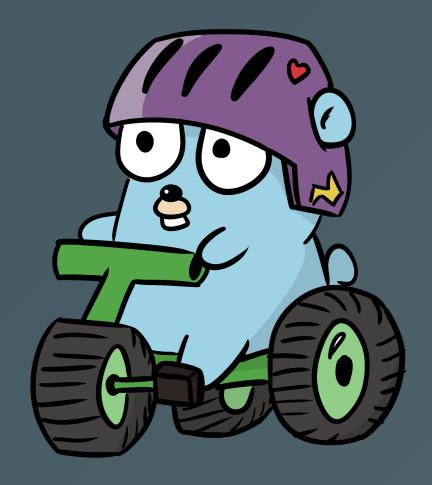
When? The Release Cycle

Feature releases

End of every quarter
 (March, June, September, December)

Maintenance releases

• Every 3 weeks



Semantic Versioning

example current version 1.19.0

Type	Version	Description	
Patch:	1.19.1	maintenance release	
Minor:	1.20.0	feature release	
Major:	2.0.0	feature release with breaking changes	

Semantic Versioning In Go

```
// "github.com/Masterminds/semver"
// Version represents a single semantic version.
type Version struct {
   major, minor, patch int64
         string
   pre
   metadata
                     string
   original
                    string
currentVersion, _ := semver.NewVersion(version)
nextVersion := currentVersion.IncMinor()
```

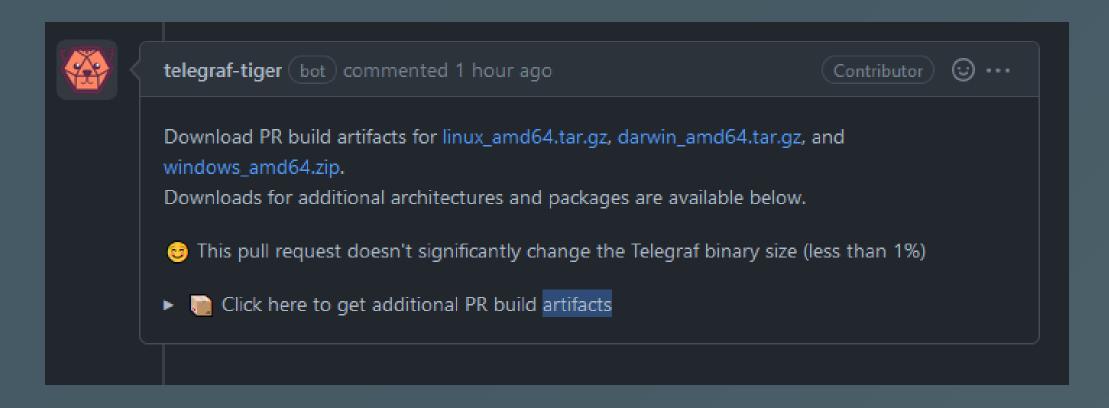
Conventional Commit Messages

Adding human and machine readable meaning to commit messages

Example: feat(inputs.directory_monitor): Traverse sub-directories

Type	Optional Scope	Description
feat	inputs.directory_monitor	Traverse sub-directories

Automatic Alpha Builds



Keep things tidy

```
.PHONY: tidy
tidy:
    go mod verify
    go mod tidy
    @if ! git diff --quiet go.mod go.sum; then \
        echo "please run go mod tidy and check in changes,
        you might have to use the same version of Go as the CI"; \
        exit 1; \
        fi
```

Lint free code: golangci-lint

lint-pr-changes

succeeded 2 hours ago in 1m 56s

- > Set up job
- Run actions/setup-go@v3
- > Run actions/checkout@v3
- > @ golangci-lint
- > Post golangci-lint
- Post Run actions/checkout@v3
- Post Run actions/setup-go@v3
- Complete job

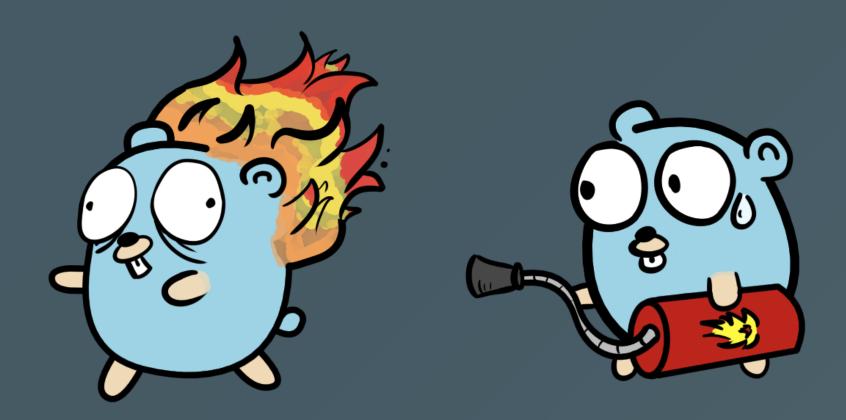


Staying updated



https://go.dev/VERSION?m=text

Release Day



Starting the Release

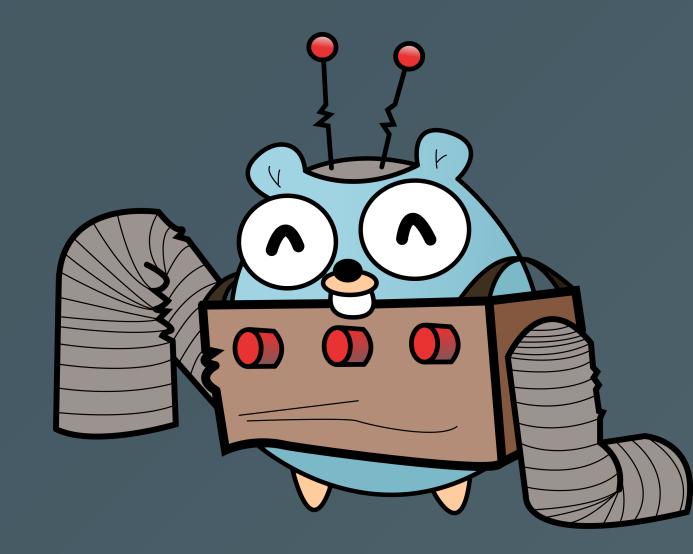
- Eeny, meeny, miny moe, Catch a tiger by the toe
- Track progress in slack

Sebastian Spaink v1.23.0 release thread

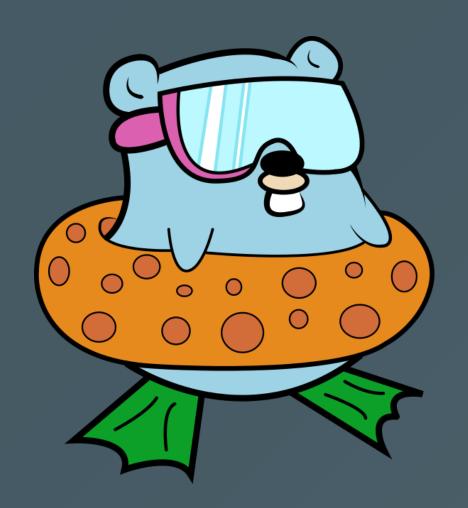
- V Prepare release branch
- Opdate the repository
- Opdate Docker images

Steps Overview

- 1. Prepare release branch
- 2. Building and packaging
- 3. Announcing the release

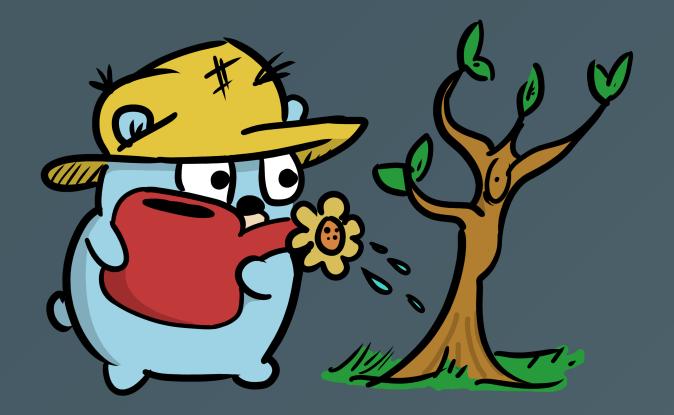


Prepare release branch



Git branching strategy

- copy master branch
- branch for each release
- maintain release branch



Executing external commands

```
func RunCommand(path, command string, arguments ...string) (string, error) {
    var w io.Writer
    var stdBuffer bytes.Buffer
    w = io.MultiWriter(os.Stdout, &stdBuffer)
    cmd := exec.Command(command, arguments...)
    cmd.Dir = path
    cmd.Stdout = w
    cmd.Stderr = w
    err := cmd.Run()
    if err != nil {
        return "", err
    return stdBuffer.String(), nil
```

Adding some color

```
// Wrap color implements the io.Writer interface
// Using fatih/color package it prints to stdout but with color
type WrapColor struct{}
func (w *WrapColor) Write(b []byte) (int, error) {
    color.Cyan(string(b))
    return len(b), nil
var w io.Writer
var stdBuffer bytes.Buffer
var c WrapColor
w = io.MultiWriter(&c, &stdBuffer)
```

Update git branches

```
RunCommand(path, "make", "test")
// maintenance release
for response != "Y" && response != "N" {
    fmt.Println(color.YellowString("Cherry-pick this commit?: %s", c.Title))
    response, _ = prompt.Run()
    switch response {
    case "Y", "y":
        arguments = []string{"cherry-pick", "-x", c.Hash}
        _, err := RunCommand(path, "git", arguments...)
// feature release
arguments := []string{"checkout", "-b", branchName}
output, err := RunCommand(path, "git", arguments)
```

Working with git commits

Collecting git commits

```
separator := "@@__CHGLOG__@@"
delimiter := "@@__CHGLOG_DELIMITER__@@"
logFormat := separator + strings.Join([]string{
    "HASH",
    "AUTHOR",
    "SUBJECT",
    "BODY",
}, delimiter)
arguments := []string{"log", fmt.Sprintf("--pretty=%s", logFormat), fromBranch + ".." + toBranch}
RunCommand(path, "git", arguments...)
```

Changelog template

```
## {{ .Version }} [{{ .Date }}]
{{ range .CommitGroups }}
### {{ println .Title }}
{{ range .Commits -}}
- {{ .PullRequestLink}} {{ if .Scope }}`{{ .Scope }}` {{ end }}{{ println .Subject }}
{{- end -}}
{{ end -}}
```

Example

v1.24.1 [2022-09-19]

Bugfixes

• #11787 Clear error message when provided config is not a text file

Dependency Updates

• #11788 deps Bump <u>cloud.google.com/go/pubsub</u> from 1.24.0 to 1.25.1

Preparing the code: lessons learned

- Conventional commit messages unlocks automation
- Automate using Go

Preparing the code: future improvements

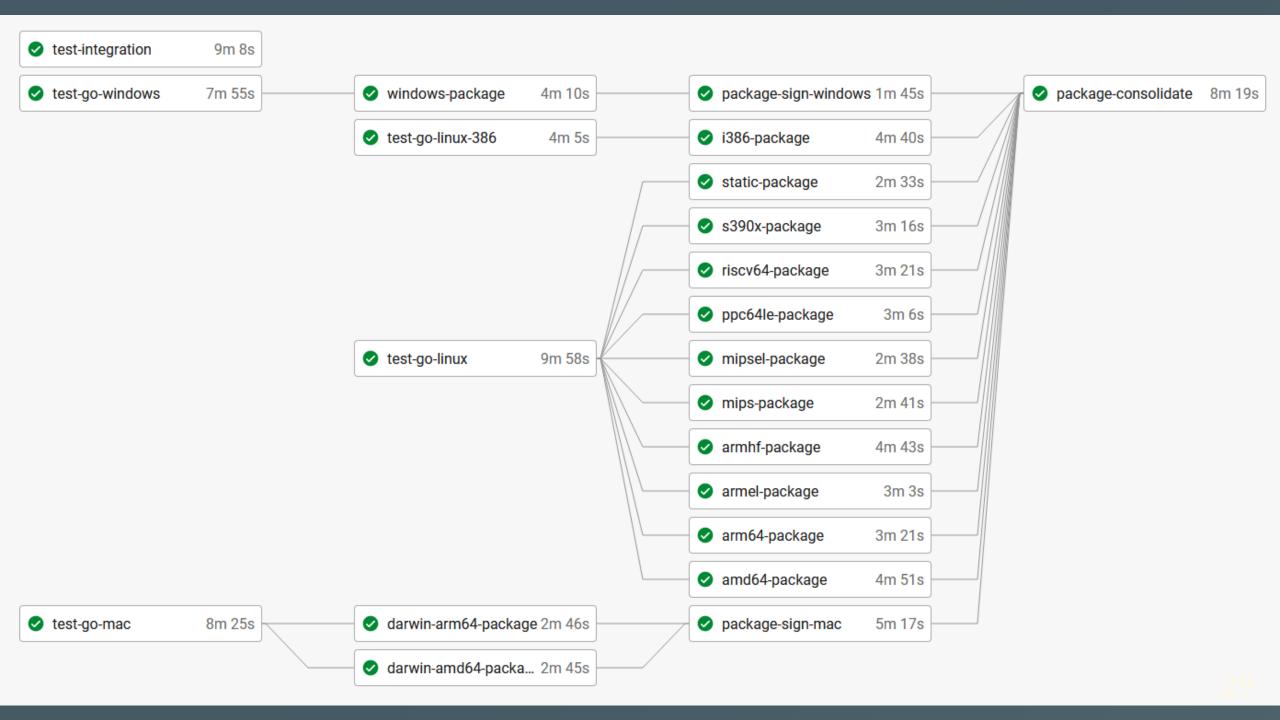
- Don't wait for release day
 - Cherry-pick continously
 - Update changelog continuously

Challenges:

• What if change is fixing a feat?

Building and Packaging





Build tags

Identifier added to determine when code should be included in build

Syntax after Go v1.17	Syntax before Go v1.17
//go:build windows	// +build windows
//go:build linux && amd64	// +build linux,amd64

Architectures Defined

```
# e.g. make package include_packages="$(make amd64)"
arm64 += linux_arm64.tar.gz arm64.deb aarch64.rpm
.PHONY: arm64
arm64:
    @ echo $(arm64)
amd64 += freebsd_amd64.tar.gz linux_amd64.tar.gz amd64.deb x86_64.rpm
.PHONY: amd64
amd64:
    @ echo $(amd64)
windows += windows_i386.zip windows_amd64.zip
.PHONY: windows
windows:
    @ echo $(windows)
. . . .
```

make build

use -ldflags to change the value of variables at build time

```
tag := $(shell git describe --exact-match --tags 2>/dev/null)
version := $(tag:v%=%)

INTERNAL_PKG=github.com/influxdata/telegraf/internal
LDFLAGS := -X $(INTERNAL_PKG).Version=$(version)

.PHONY: build
build:
    go build -ldflags "$(LDFLAGS)" ./cmd/telegraf
```

make package

```
include_packages := $(mips) $(mipsel) $(arm64) $(amd64) $(static) $(armel)
$(armhf) $(riscv64) $(s390x) $(ppc64le) $(i386) $(windows) $(darwinamd64) $(darwinarm64)
.PHONY: $(include_packages)
$(include_packages):
    @$(MAKE) install
    @mkdir -p $(pkgdir)
    @if [ "$(suffix $@)" = ".rpm" ]; then \
       fpm ...
    elif [ "$(suffix $@)" = ".deb" ]; then \
        fpm ....
    elif [ "$(suffix $@)" = ".zip" ]; then \
        (cd \$(dir \$(DESTDIR)) \&\& zip -r - ./*) > \$(pkgdir)/telegraf-\$(tar_version)_$@;
    elif [ "$(suffix $@)" = ".gz" ]; then \
        tar -czvf $(pkgdir)/telegraf-$(tar_version)_$@ -C $(dir $(DESTDIR)) . ;\
    fi
```

Mage

Mage is a make/rake-like build tool using Go.

```
func build(p platform) (string, error) {
   env := map[string]string{"GOOS": p.OS, "GOARCH": p.ARCH}
   folderName := fmt.Sprintf("%s_%s", p.OS, p.ARCH)
   binName := productName + p.Extension
   filePath := filepath.Join("bin", folderName, binName)
   _ := runCmd(env, "go", "build", "-o", filePath, "cmd/main.go")
   return filePath, nil
}
```

Check it out: https://github.com/magefile/mage

Adding version and icon to Windows

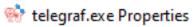
Using package josephspurrier/goversioninfo

```
//go:generate goversioninfo -icon=../../assets/windows/tiger.ico
```

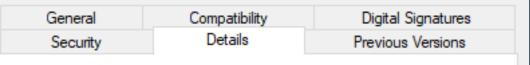
```
{
  "StringFileInfo": {
    "ProductName": "Telegraf",
    "ProductVersion": "1.25.0-71b4a0af"
  }
}
```

Generating versioninfo.json

```
version, _ := exec.Command("make", "version").Output()
v := VersionInfo{
    StringFileInfo: StringFileInfo{
        ProductName: "Telegraf",
        ProductVersion: version,
    },
if err := ioutil.WriteFile("cmd/telegraf/versioninfo.json", file, 0644); err != nil {
    log.Fatalf("Failed to write versioninfo.json: %v", err)
```







Property Value

Description

File description

Type Application
File version 0.0.0.0
Product name Telegraf

Product version 1.24.1-bd7d53fb

Copyright

Size 143 MB

Date modified 9/28/2022 1:48 PM Language Neutral



Remove Properties and Personal Information

OK

Update Package Repository

- Sign artifacts with GPG key
- Upload to S3 bucket
- Update http://repos.influxdata.com/

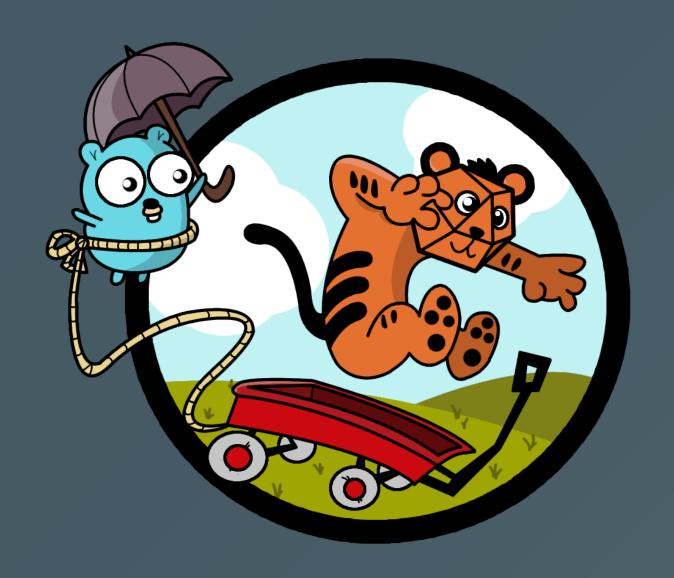
Building and Packaging: lessons learned

- Don't run the CI on wednesdays
- Make artifacts readily available
- Sign mac nightly, replicate release pipeline

Building and Packaging: future improvements

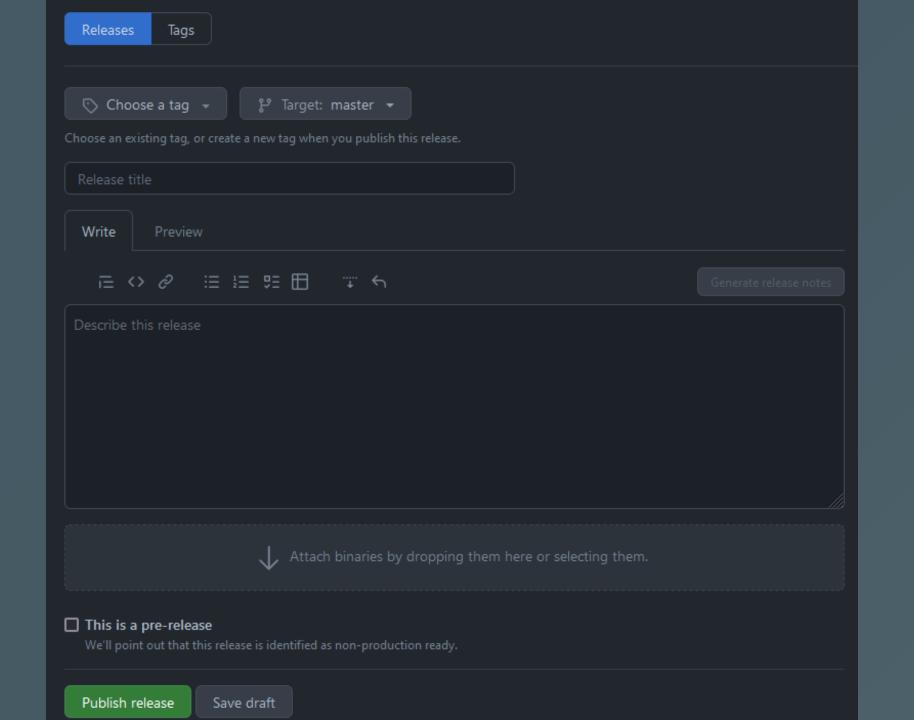
Migrate more steps to continuous integration pipeline

Announcing the release



Update multiple locations

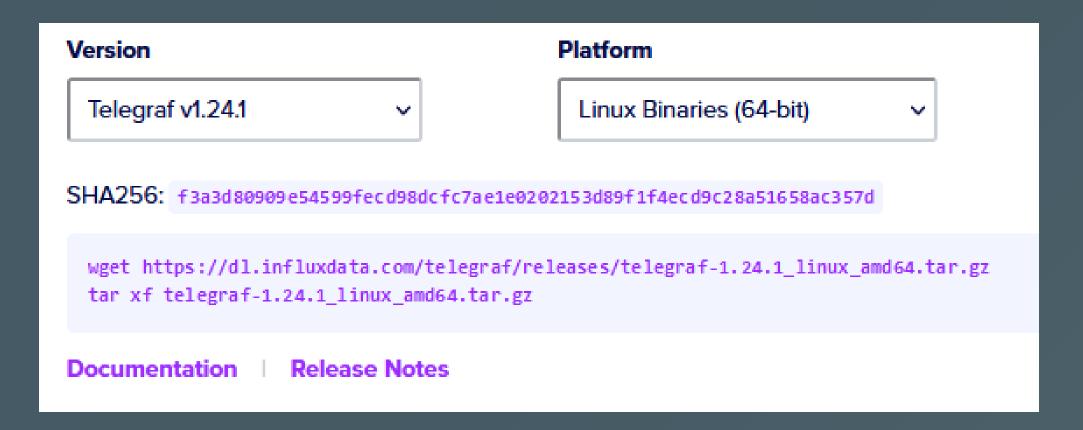
- influxdata/telegraf (public)
- influxdata/influxdata-docker (public)
- influxdata/official-images (public, fork of docker-library)
- influxdata/helm-charts (public)
- influxdata/website (private)



Packages

Arch	Platform	Package	SHA256
arm64	CentOS	telegraf-1.24.2-1.aarch64.rpm	3ff70e356f59f4d96f026a2d5f920b41cce8694f3968aa27056db7255738
armel	CentOS	telegraf-1.24.2-1.armel.rpm	570da9d13d4e4f2d8a433d392984f4d68c543844d3e3659ae5ab742cbea9
armv6hl	CentOS	telegraf-1.24.2-1.armv6hl.rpm	ae75a4f741301378389deed6f3c5c4423e01af700348dec34eda8b99562d
i386	CentOS	telegraf-1.24.2-1.i386.rpm	3dea0a3f682da558517f1e42b4401708f9383a0c6c4518ff0fc8d905b08e
ppc64le	CentOS	telegraf-1.24.2-1.ppc64le.rpm	6b803409c7879e4abd9830fc48ffeca4ed5423c8b83b7464a2e1fd835b1d
riscv64	CentOS	telegraf-1.24.2-1.riscv64.rpm	c9cb0821a12bff9d4167287ad0aff47fbad433954bdd992381f5c08559b1
s390x	CentOS	telegraf-1.24.2-1.s390x.rpm	03ebabef6381514152c54708b49f70d508a7655a5cedac451b24e7144eb7
amd64	CentOS	telegraf-1.24.2-1.x86_64.rpm	f7e7c75b99aa1950905c0c542e5c08b15dc99d91546bfee35887a65eb5f0
amd64	macOS	telegraf- 1.24.2_darwin_amd64.dmg	34abd69bddea6ac58f6f94d5c9101f1966d5e87ab162d6e59379debb8459
amd64	macOS	telegraf- 1.24.2_darwin_amd64.tar.gz	e94000bc4a8e8eb1e60349d3ec52b5c83b6b66d3ef3cc817842be0d16100
arm64	macOS	telegraf- 1.24.2_darwin_arm64.dmg	6822fb62711ee8ecd9859614ada022cf04cfbf8e2b0dee2a528430d1259e
arm64	macOS	telegraf- 1.24.2_darwin_arm64.tar.gz	7a7871671a57cb64ccae4e2744b34b9d197b07eec0fd18bb5b588f6d52f1
amd64	FreeBSD	telegraf- 1.24.2_freebsd_amd64.tar.gz	a8652ca1b90b9806e26613c7088d907668c466a633d527185201808731bb

https://portal.influxdata.com/downloads/

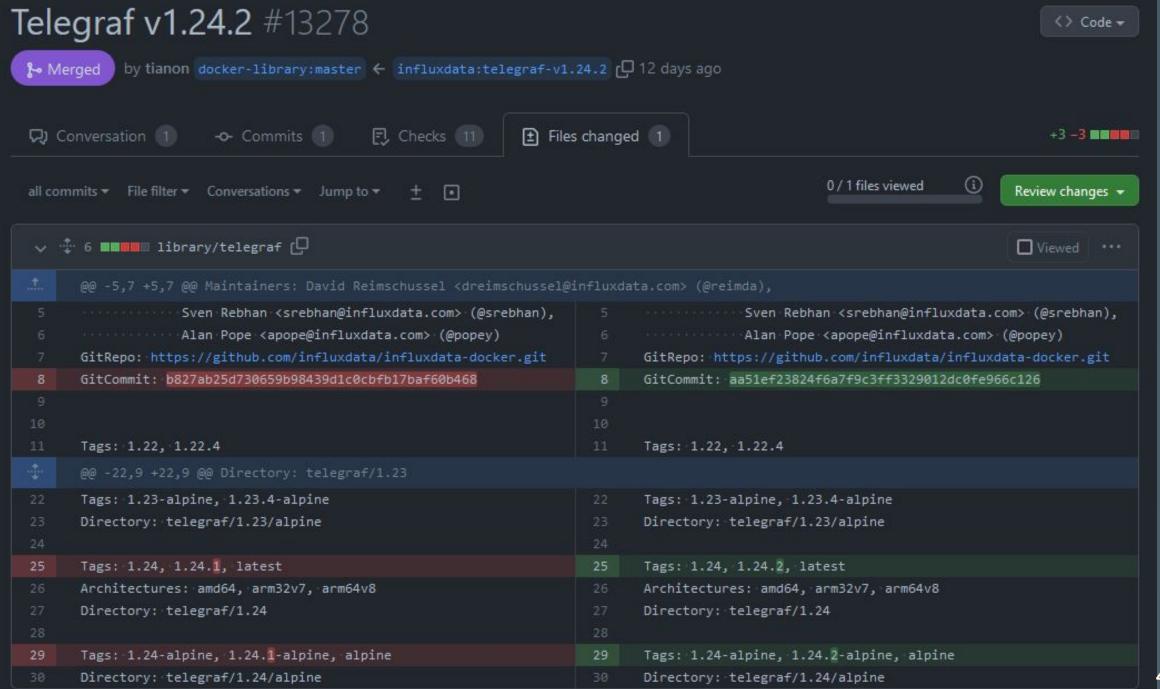


Updating the Website

```
b, err = sjson.SetBytes(b, "telegraf_stable.version", version)
if err != nil {
    return nil, fmt.Errorf("failed to set telegraf_stable.version: %w", err)
}
```

Update Docker manifest.json

```
// Read the manifest file to determine current versions and add latest version
type Manifest struct {
   Maintainers []string `json:"maintainers"`
   Versions []string `json:"versions"`
   Variants [] Variants `json:"variants"`
ver, _ := semver.NewVersion(version)
// Drop oldest version and add newest version
var oldestVersion string
oldestVersion, m.Versions = m.Versions[0], m.Versions[1:]
m.Versions = append(m.Versions, fmt.Sprintf("%d.%d", ver.Major(), ver.Minor()))
```



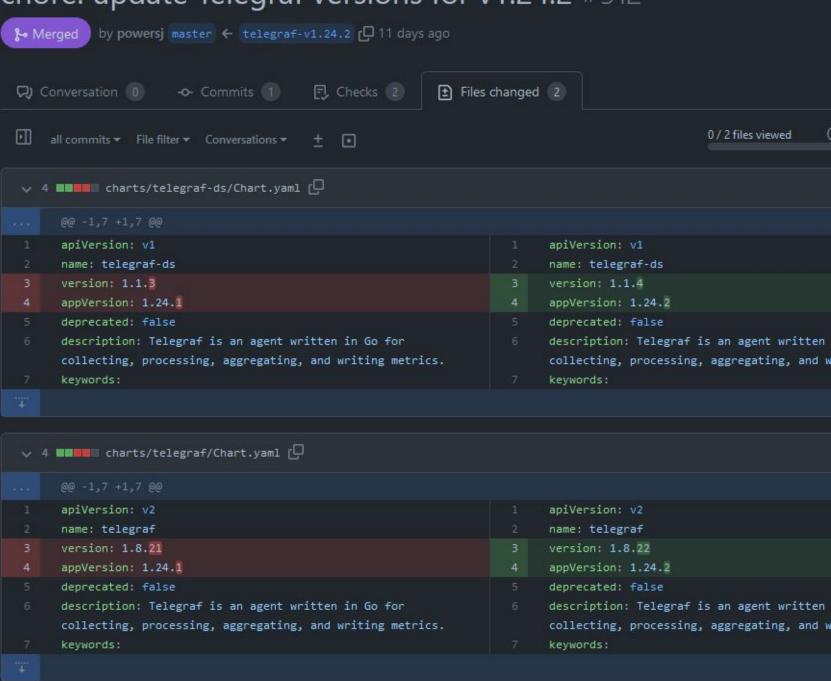
Testing Dockerfile

```
container, _ := testcontainers.GenericContainer(ctx,
testcontainers.GenericContainerRequest{
    ContainerRequest: req,
    Started: true,
})
name, _ := container.Name(ctx)
cmd := exec.Command("docker", "exec", name, "telegraf", "--version")
out, _ := cmd.CombinedOutput()
// Verify the correct version of Telegraf exists
if !strings.Contains(string(out), ver.String()) {
    return fmt.Errorf("Expected Telegraf version %s but got %s", version, string(out))
```

Update Helm Chart

```
import yaml "gopkg.in/yaml.v3"
var n yaml.Node
err := yaml.Unmarshal(data, &n)
if err != nil {
    return nil, fmt.Errorf("failed to unmarshal YAML: %w", err)
   err = walkContent(&n, "tag", fmt.Sprintf("%d.%d-alpine", version.Major(), version.Minor()))
if err != nil {
    return nil, fmt.Errorf("failed to update tag in YAML: %w", err)
updated, err := yaml.Marshal(&n)
if err != nil {
    return nil, fmt.Errorf("failed to marshal YAML: %w", err)
```

chore: update Telegraf versions for v1.24.2 #512



Distributing Binaries: lessons learned

- Document all permissions required
- If there is a problem increment patch, or the hash will change

Distributing Binaries: future improvements

Migrate more steps to continuous integration pipeline

Conquering a Major Release

- Breaking changes
- Backwards compatibility important
- Deprecating configuration options slowly
- Getting into the habit

