

Anomaly Detection Engine for Cloud Activities using Flink

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Discover and
assess risks



Identify cloud apps on your network, gain visibility into shadow IT, and get risk assessments and ongoing analytics.

Control access
in real time



Manage and limit cloud app access based on conditions and session context, including user identity, device, and location.

Protect your
information



Get granular control over data and use built-in or custom policies for data sharing and data loss prevention.

Detect
threats



Identify high-risk usage and detect unusual behavior using Microsoft threat intelligence and research.

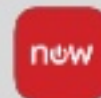
Extend Microsoft security

Threat detection: Microsoft Intelligent Security Graph, Office ATP

Information Protection: Office 365 & Azure Information Protection

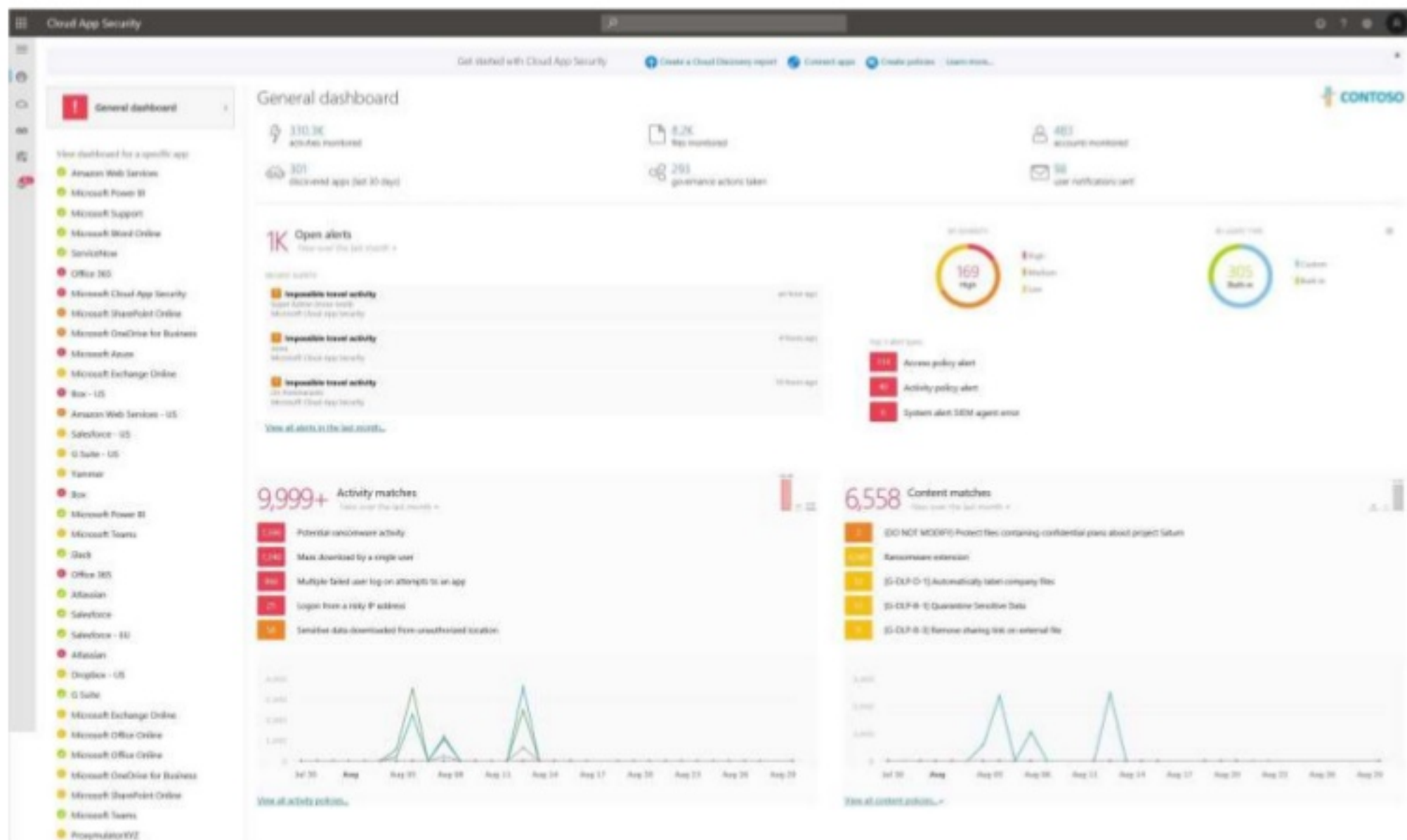
Identity: Azure AD and Conditional Access

To your cloud apps



+ more

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Cloud activities

- The primary data type in the product
- 16,000+ supported SaaS applications
- Dozens of activity types (logon, upload, export, create user...)
- Locations, devices, target objects, impersonated users...

- Out of order by up to **24 hours!**

Cloud activities

Activity	User	App	IP address	Location	Device	Date	
Create user: user.dana@mcas-test0.com	Dana	Office 365		---	---	Aug 26, 2018, 7:34 AM	
Failed log on (Failure message: This error occurred due to "Keep me signed in" interrupt when the user was signing)	Dana	Microsoft Azure	75.11.246.6	United States		Aug 26, 2018, 7:37 AM	
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Write LinkedServices: resource Security - Started	Windows Azure Security Resource Provider	Microsoft Azure	52.165.135.248	United States	---	Aug 26, 2018, 7:53 AM	
Change password: user.silvia@mcas-test0.com	Silvia	Office 365		---	---	Aug 26, 2018, 2:06 AM	
Change password: user.silvia@mcas-test0.com	Silvia	Office 365		---	---	Aug 26, 2018, 2:06 AM	
Write LinkedServices: resource Security - Succeeded	Windows Azure Security Resource Provider	Microsoft Azure	52.165.135.248	United States	---	Aug 26, 2018, 7:53 PM	
Write LinkedServices: resource Security - Started	Windows Azure Security Resource Provider	Microsoft Azure	52.165.135.248	United States	---	Aug 26, 2018, 7:53 PM	
Single sign on log on	Silvia (silvia@mcas-test0.com)	Office 365 - General	106.88.254.72	Belgium		Aug 26, 2018, 1:33 PM	
<div> <div>SHOW DETAILS</div> <div>General</div> <div>User</div> <div>IP address</div> <div>Send us feedback</div> </div>							
Description: Single sign on log on							
Type: Single sign on log on	User: Silvia (silvia@mcas-test0.com)	Date: Aug 26, 2018, 1:33 PM	IP address: 106.88.254.72				
Type in app: SSO Login	User organizational unit: ---	Device type: PC, Windows 10, 32-bit, Chrome 69.0	IP category: ---				
Source: Azure AD conditional access	User groups: All users (Users from test0 IT users)	User agent tags: ---	Tags: ---				
ID: 133462415061_7134542-14d-47f1-04d2-09237070031	Activity object: silvia@mcas-test0.com, Silvia	App: Office 365 - General	Location: Belgium, Ugent, Provinciaal, Chaudfontaine				
Matched policies: Protect download of unclassified files (Silvia: Block download of files with sensitive)			OP: VOO				
Single sign on log on	Silvia (silvia@mcas-test0.com)	Office 365 - General	106.88.254.72	Belgium		Aug 26, 2018, 1:33 PM	
Failed log on (Failure message: This error occurred due to "Keep me signed in" interrupt when the user was signing)	Silvia	Office 365	106.88.254.72	Belgium		Aug 26, 2018, 1:32 PM	
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Change password: user.nicholas@mcas-test0.com	Nicholas D'Cola	Office 365		---	---	Aug 27, 2018, 9:29 PM	
Download file: file Usage report (Internal).xls	Aida (aida@mcas-test0.com)	Dropbox - General	131.107.147.14	United States		Aug 27, 2018, 9:28 PM	
Download file: file Usage report (Internal).xls	Aida (aida@mcas-test0.com)	Dropbox - US	52.165.167.190	United States	---	Aug 27, 2018, 9:28 PM	
Authorized a team app		Dropbox - US	10.244.135.55	---	---	Aug 27, 2018, 9:32 PM	

Activity-based threat protection

- Goal: detect anomalous user behavior and alert the admin
- The core flow is:
 - Analyze all the activities and extract security-oriented insights
 - Maintain a behavioral model for every user, and update it inline
 - Detect outliers, suspicious behavior or potentially malicious activity
 - Cross-reference with previous alerts and other users, to prevent false positives and "alert fatigue"
 - Reach a decision and raise an alert within seconds

Detection engine requirements

- Scalability
- Fault tolerance & recovery
- Real time processing
- Short time from ingestion to detection
- Extendibility
- Support for massive state size
- State persistency
- State consistency
- Fast, parallel access and update of state

Sounds familiar?

We embarked on a search for a framework

- We needed a stateful stream processing framework
- We really didn't want to build one in-house
- We tested 10 frameworks
 - Azure ML, Azure Stream Analytics, Microsoft Orleans, Apache Storm, Apache Samza, Apache Spark streaming, Apache Ignite, Apache Beam...
- We chose Flink!

Anubis

- Our anomaly detection engine
- A single Flink job running the entire flow
 - Ingests activities
 - Outputs alerts

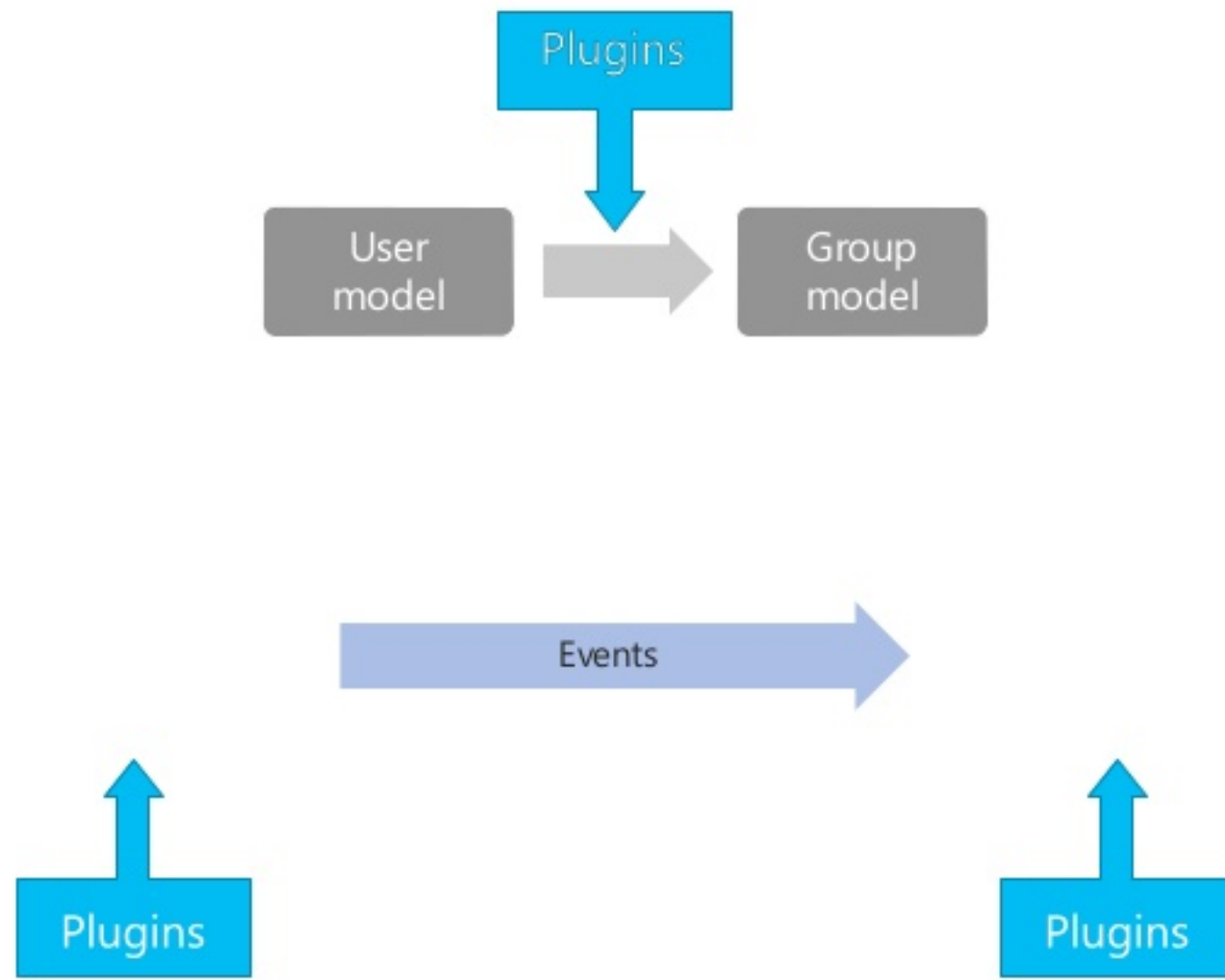


Anubis

- 8 clusters across multiple datacenters
- Our largest cluster:
 - 40 machines
 - 25,000 events per second
 - 1.3 TB of state



Anubis



Anubis scalability

Scalability in...	Requires...
Event rate per cluster	Increase cluster as needed (stability cost)
Event rate per user group	Key by user where possible Special treatment of group-keyed operators
Event rate per user	Capping the user event rate
Features models and detections	Key by feature / model / detection + increase cluster as needed
Number of clusters	Easy cluster management

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- Multiple clusters in multiple datacenters
- Custom standalone cluster setup
- Automation scripts
 - Machine setup
 - Flink version upgrade
 - Job deployment and upgrade
- Kubernetes-based deployment solution is in progress

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- We use Azure EventHubs as sources and sinks
- We use Azure Blob Storage for state backend



Flink @ Microsoft – upgrades

- The job and its state should last forever
- We also deploy new versions frequently and update the state objects
- We created a custom versioned framework based on Kryo

Flink @ Microsoft – monitoring

- Custom wrappers for operators, state access, serializers, collectors
- Adding log metadata about current operator, context, timing
- Adding metrics using the built-in framework
 - Around 15,000 metrics per process!
- Everything flows to Splunk
 - Investigation
 - Dashboards
 - Alerts

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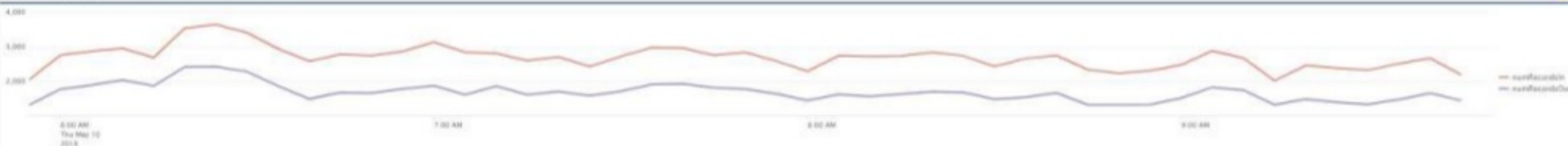
Latest records distribution per subtask index (zero based)



Subtasks distribution per host in the last hour (might be affected by restarts)



Records rate (Total)

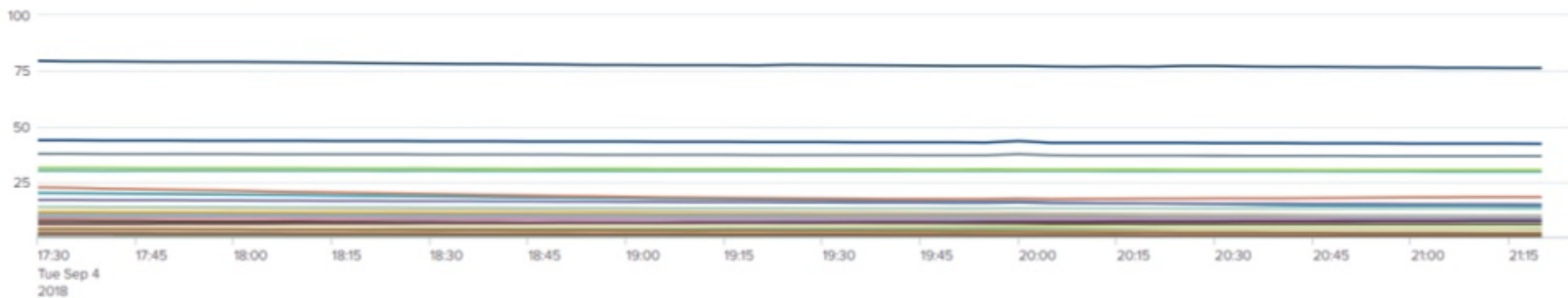


Records input rate by subtask index (zero based)

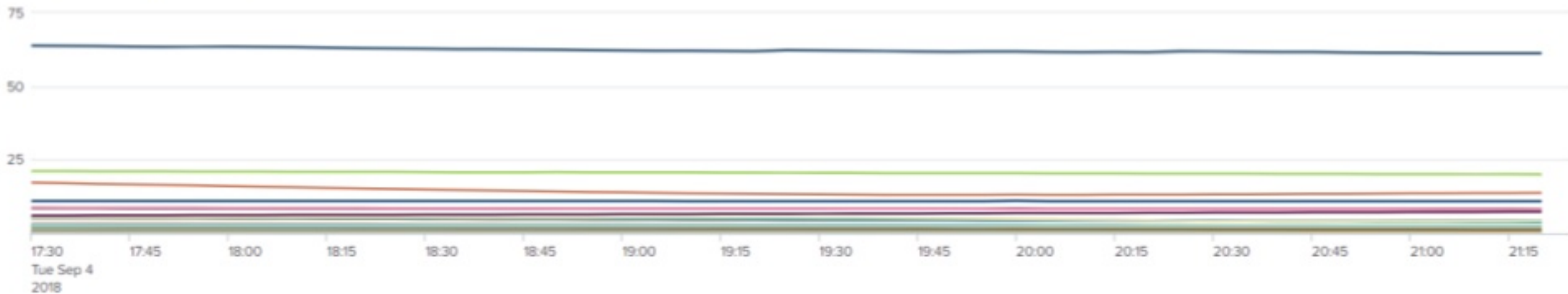


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Total per record processing time in MS by operator

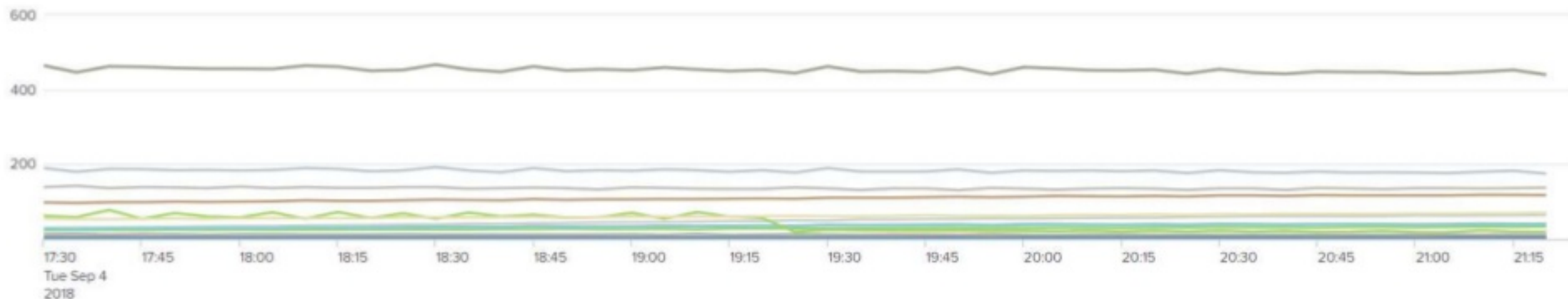


Net per record processing time in MS by operator

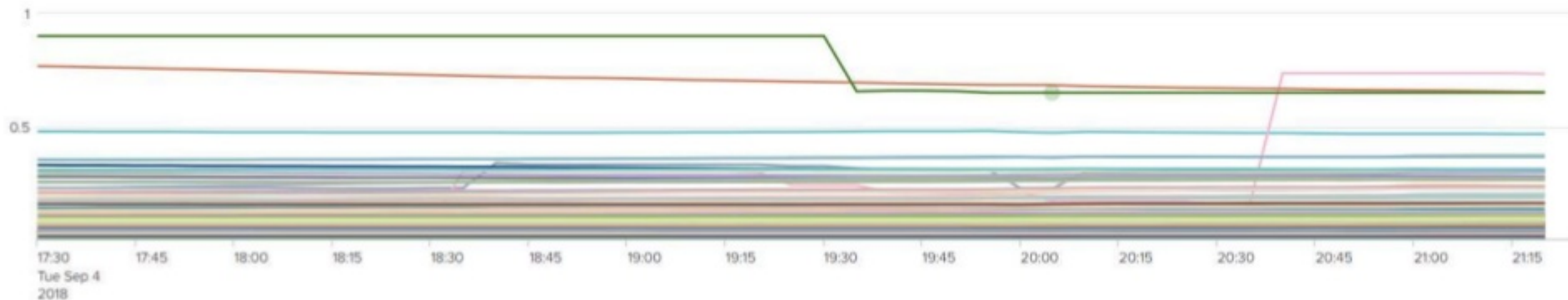


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Serialization operations time in MS



State access time in MS per operator



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taskName ☰	currentEntityId ☰	values(indexOfThisSubtask) ☰	globalCountSum ☰	totalProcessingTimeMicrosSum ☰	averageProcessingTimeMicrosSum ☰
Features builder	8084e080b86f125391f878ba4c91204eedfb45988b4fc1c721e56bd4a4d16585	96	40000	345,889,880.0000	8,647.2470
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What's next?

- Two other Flink jobs already in production
- Another two in development
- Kubernetes-based deployment solution is in progress
- Helping other groups within Microsoft build Flink jobs

Thank you.

Questions?