From Ceilometer to Telemetry

Not so alarming!

A Julien Danjou & Nick Barcet presentation

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Speakers



Nick Barcet VP Products @ eNovance Co-founded the Ceilometer project at the Folsom summit and led the project through incubation

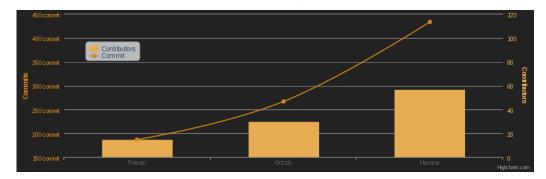


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State of the project

- Officially named OpenStack Telemetry
- Havana is the first integrated release
- Community growth
 - Grizzly: 30 contributors, 267 commits
 - Havana: 57 contributors, 434 commits





What was done during the Havana cycle?

UDP transport

- Faster, stateless
- Lighter (*msgpack* encoding)

but...

- No delivery guaranteed
- Not signed





Improved API

- Group samples by fields when requesting statistics (?groupby[]=user_id)
- Limit the number of items returned (?limit=42)
- Provides links to other resources in the API



Send your own samples

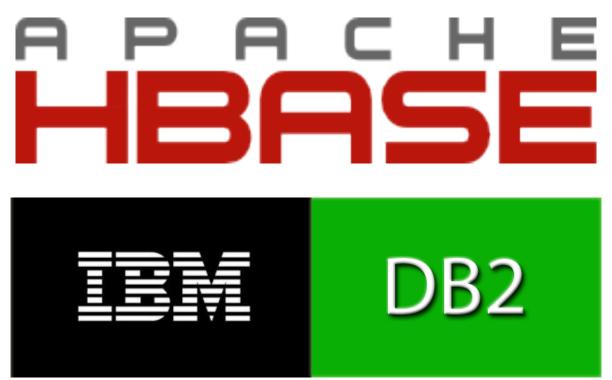
Users or operators can send samples

- → Leverage the statistics
- → Usable for alarming

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POST /v2/meters/mymeter
  "counter type": "gauge",
  "counter unit": "megabyte",
  "counter volume": 142.0,
  "user id": "efd87807-12d2-4b38-9c70-
5f5c2ac427ff",
  "project id": "35b17138-b364-4e6a-a131-
8f3099c5be68",
  "resource id": "bd9431c1-8d69-4ad3-803a-
8d4a6b89fd36",
  "resource metadata": {
      "name1": "value1",
      "name2": "value2"
  "source": "mypaasplatform",
  "timestamp": "2013-09-10T20:34:13.711330"
```



New storage backends





Database TTL

Previously:

No way to purge data.

Ceilometer produces a lot of data

(gigabytes per day)

Now:

ceilometer-expirer will drop data older than the configured time-to-live delay



Hyper-V



→ Disk, network and CPU usage





New meters

API endpoints

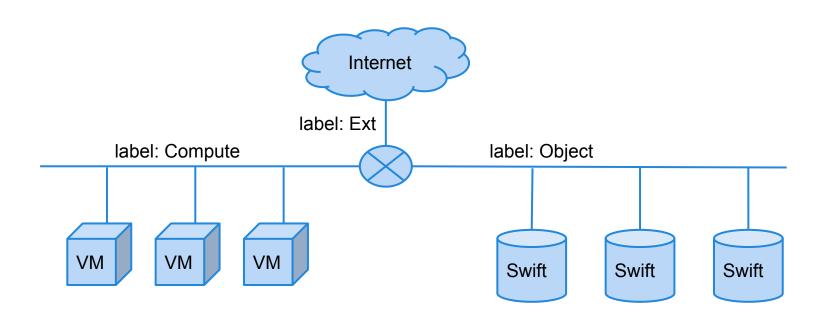
 Meters the requests made to API server (Neutron, Glance, Nova, Swift, etc)

Neutron bandwidth

- Meter the bandwidth consumed by each project
- Traffic labeled as configured by operator (based on source/destination)



Neutron Traffic Labels





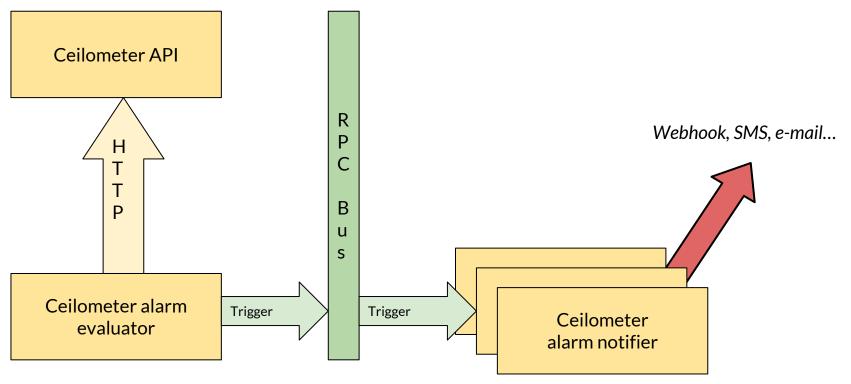
Alarms



Regularly watch for meters statistics values and triggers actions based on threshold crossings.



Alarms architecture





Alarm types

Threshold alarms

Triggered once a value crosses a threshold "Call a Webhook as soon as CPU usage goes above 80%"

Combination alarms

Triggered once all alarms in that alarm are triggered "Call a Webhook as soon as alarm "foo" **and** alarm "bar" are triggered"



Alarms API

POST /v2/alarms

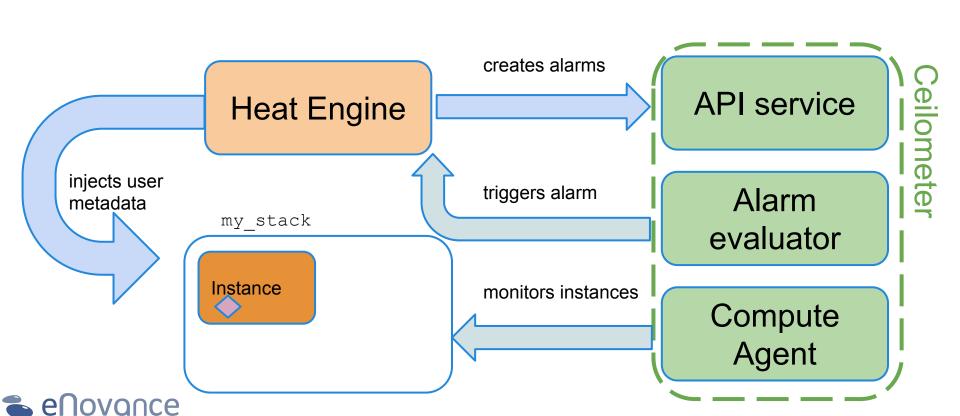
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"alarm_actions": [ "http://site:8000/alarm"],
"insufficient_data_actions": ["http://site:8000/nodata"],
"ok_actions": ["http://site:8000/ok"],
"comparison_operator": "gt",
"description": "An alarm",
"evaluation_periods": 2,
"matching_metadata": {"key_name": "key_value"},
"meter_name": "storage.objects",
"name": "SwiftObjectAlarm",
"period": 240,
"statistic": "avg",
"threshold": 200.0
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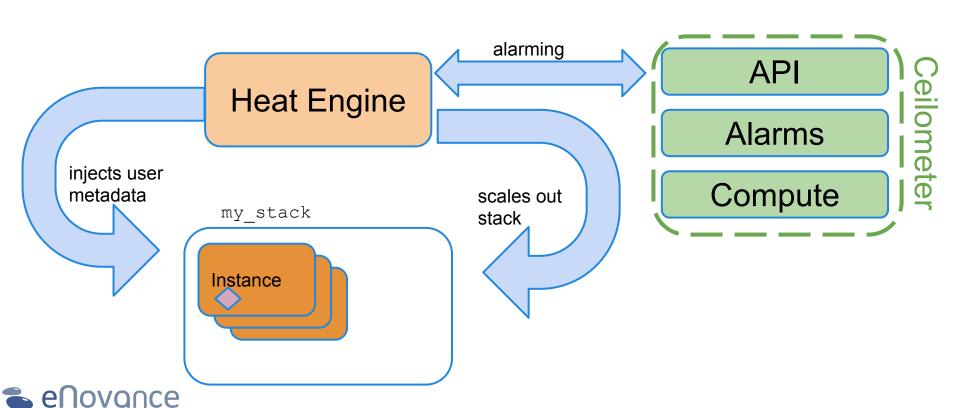
GET /v2/alarms/foobar

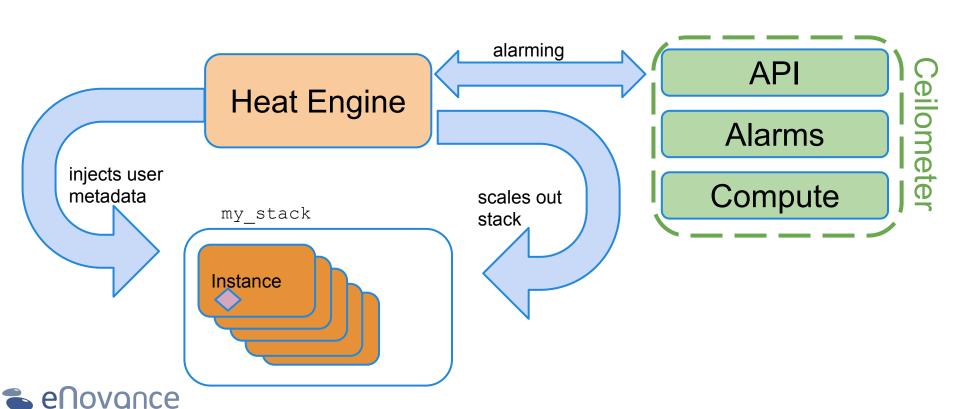
PUT/v2/alarms/foobar

DELETE /v2/alarms/foobar









Events storage

(Almost) all OpenStack components send notifications on events: let's store them.

- → Useful to be able to re-generate samples
- → Useful to generate new sample we did not think about
- → Allow to have a double-entry accounting
- → Audit ability

Not yet complete, to be continued in *Icehouse*



Exciting ideas for *lcehouse* we're going to hack on.

General improvements

- Split the collector in two logical pieces
- Rely on notification for samples rather than RPC
- Bring SQLAlchemy and MongoDB driver almost on parity
- Support for hardware polling
- Support Ironic



API improvements

- Complex filtering and query DSL
 x OR y AND z
- /v2/samples(a.k.a. /v2/meter without the meter)
- Return rate rather than absolute value
- More statistics functions (rate of change, moving-window averages...)
- Bulk requests



Alarming

- Exclude low sample counts
- Allow time constrained alarms



Distributed polling

Leveraging *Tooz* and *Taskflow* to distribute tasks among workers (agents).

★ Ability to distribute the polling

★ Replace alarm evaluator custom distributor



OpenStack Telemetry

Ceilometer

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The end.











