

Operating Jenkins at Scale

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- Provide support for Jenkins
- Enterprise plugins
- Jenkins Operations Center
- Hosted Jenkins: DEV@cloud



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Monitoring

- Is Jenkins Healthy?
 - Available, functional & performant
- Why not?
 - Disk, load, memory, errors/bugs
- Analytics
 - What is the business value of Jenkins?
 - What are the trends in usage?
 - How is Jenkins being used?



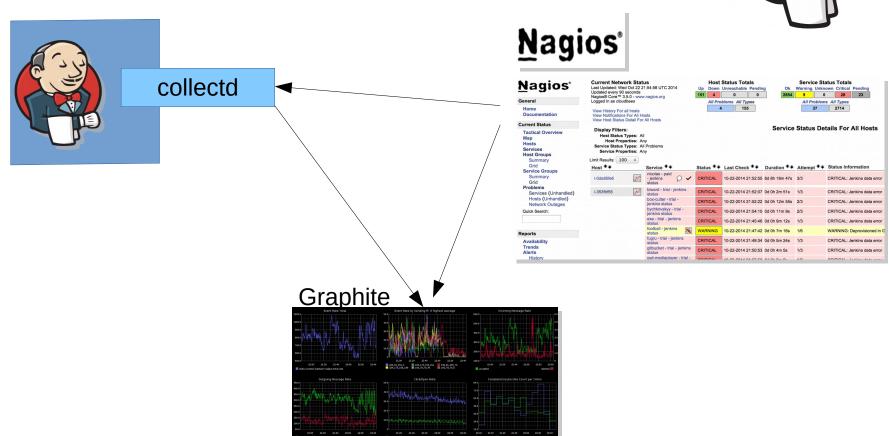
State of the Art - DIY

- Stats collection collectd
- Graphing graphite
- Notifications Nagios



Collectd – Graphite - Nagios





Jenkins Metrics Plugin

- Exposes/Uses (DropWizard) Metrics
- Provides abstractions for standard metrics:
 - Counter monotonically increasing value
 - Gauge value which goes up and down
 - Histogram max,min,avg,stddev,quantiles
 - Timer time a piece of code or the beginning/end of some event
 - Meter the rate at which something is happening
- Integrates with graphite
- Nagios can poll the metrics servlet





JOC Monitoring Demo

As your Jenkins grows larger and critical...



- Division of responsibility
 Who is responsible for what? IT, your team, someone else?
- Automate your maintenance
 Choose your weapon: bash/perl/python, VM, docker, chef/puppet etc.
 - Backup
 - Having enough disk space
 - Keeping master and slaves sane/detecting insanity
 - Upgrades
- Select core and plugins with care
- Use a staging environment

Adding more masters



Too many jobs, experimenting with plugins, a new team?



- You'll be fine, just copy all scripts and maintenance jobs over to the new master and run with the wind.
 - Maybe put all your scripts in SCM and pull down first thing in the job If you haven't already...

More masters!

One for each department, skunk-work projects etc.

- Maintenance is multiplying fast
- Rewrite all the scripts
- People working solely on Jenkins





Jenkins Operations Center Bulk Operations Demo

Running maintenance jobs on your masters in bulk...

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