Trending with Purpose

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Monitoring

- Nagios
 - Fault Detection
 - Notifications
 - Escalations
 - Acknowledgements/Downtime
 - http://www.nagios.org/



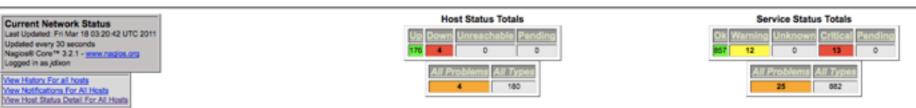
Logged in as /dixon

Display Filters:

Host Status Types: All

Host Properties: Any Service Status Types: All Problems

Service Properties: Any



Service Status Details For All Hosts

Host 🕆	Service *		Status 👚	Last Check 🏗	Duration 🕆	Attempt 🏗	Status Information
chamoon (A. 🗩)	Backup Health	×	CRITICAL	2011-03-18 03:12:47	2d 23h 17m 55s	1/5	(Service Check Timed Out)
	Disk 1	×	CRITICAL	2011-03-18 03:16:47	2d 23h 13m 55s	1/5	CHECK_NRPE: Socket timeout after 30 seconds.
	Disk 2	×	CRITICAL	2011-03-18 03:16:47	2d 23h 13m 55s	1/5	CHECK_NRPE: Socket timeout after 30 seconds.
	Load	×	CRITICAL	2011-03-18 03:16:49	2d 23h 13m 54s	1/5	CHECK_NRPE: Socket timeout after 30 seconds.
	PING	×	CRITICAL	2011-03-18 03:18:49	2d 23h 11m 54s	1/5	PING CRITICAL - Packet loss = 100%
	Raid Health	×	CRITICAL	2011-03-18 03:16:47	2d 23h 13m 55s	1/5	CHECK_NRPE: Socket timeout after 30 seconds.
	SSH	×	CRITICAL	2011-03-18 03:16:47	2d 23h 13m 55s	1/5	CRITICAL - Socket Emeout after 30 seconds
	Sensors	×	CRITICAL	2011-03-18 03:16:48	2d 23h 13m 54s	1/5	CHECK_NRPE: Socket timeout after 30 seconds.
	Swap Usage	*	CRITICAL	2011-03-18 03:16:49	2d 23h 13m 54s	1/5	CHECK_NRPE: Socket timeout after 30 seconds.
	Total Processes	×	CRITICAL	2011-03-18 03:16:48	2d 23h 13m 54s	1/5	CHECK_NRPE: Socket timeout after 30 seconds.
	UPS	×	CRITICAL	2011-03-18 03:16:47	0d 6h 13m 55s	1/5	CHECK_NRPE: Socket timeout after 30 seconds.
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octoous ș	CS Updates	*	WARNING	2011-03-18 03:08:36	10d 2h 21m 29s	5/5	Updates needed: coreutils x86_64 cups x86_64 cups x86_64 device-mapper-multipath x86_64 gdb x86_64 kemei-x86_64 kemei-devel x86_64 mono-addon-devel x86_
at 1	OS Updates	*	WARNING	2011-03-18-03:09:13	10d 2h 8m 10s	4.5	Updates needed: coreutils.x86_64 cups.x86_64 cups.x86_64 cups.x86_64 device-mapper-multipath.x86_64 gdb.x86_64 git.x86_64 git.x86_64 gdb.x86_64 kernel.x86_64 kernel.x86_6

Nagios

- Pros
 - Free
 - Extensible
 - Plugins
 - Configuration templates
 - Popular (lesser of all free evils)
 - Log metrics ("performance data")

Nagios

- Cons
 - Interface
 - (Lack of) Scalability
 - Promotes bad habits
 - Acknowledgements never expire
 - Configuration (over-)flexibility
 - Flapping

Nagios Demonstration

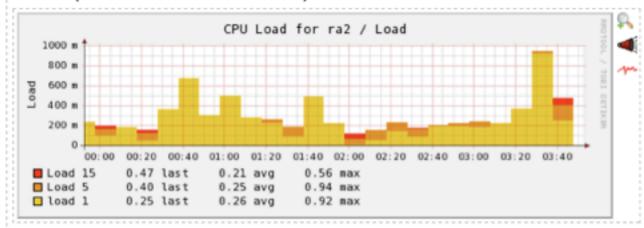
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Trending

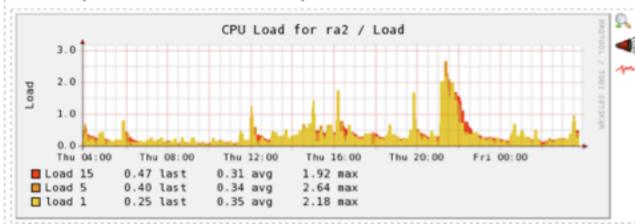
- PNP4Nagios
 - Retrieves Nagios performance data
 - Creates graphs with RRD
 - Basic dashboard capabilities
 - Limited introspection/correlation
 - http://www.pnp4nagios.org/

Service Overview

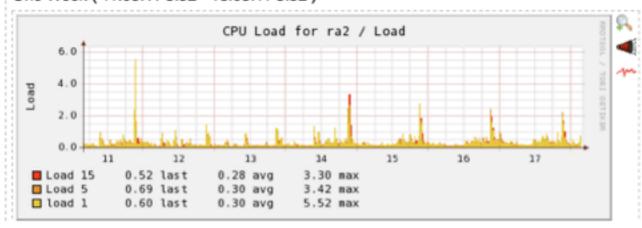
4 Hours (17.03.11 23:52 - 18.03.11 3:52)



24 Hours (17.03.11 3:52 - 18.03.11 3:52)



One Week (11.03.11 3:52 - 18.03.11 3:52)





PNP 0.9.19

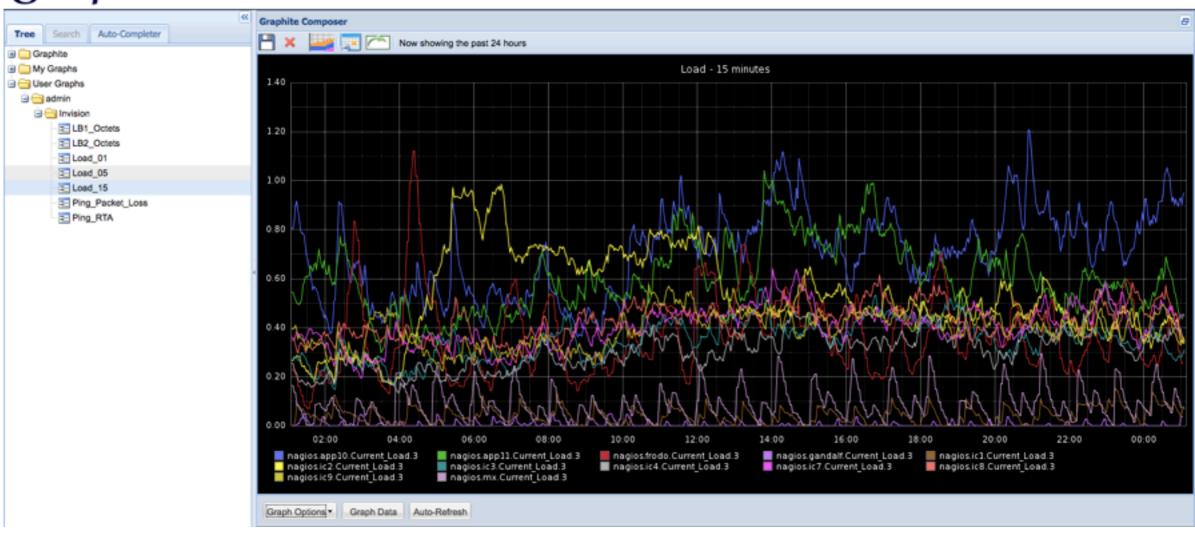
PNP4Nagios Demonstration

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Advanced Graphing

- Graphite
 - Metric storage
 - Complex graph creation
 - Web and "CLI" interfaces
 - Created and released by Orbitz.com
 - http://graphite.wikidot.com/

graphite Command-Line Interface Logged in as admin, logout (edit profile)



Graphite

- Pros
 - Horizontally scalable
 - Rapid graph prototyping (CLI)
 - Graph disparate data points
 - Numerous formulas available
 - derive, transform, average, sum, etc...
 - Share graphs with other users
 - Supports existing RRD databases

Graphite

- Cons
 - Not a dashboard
 - No hover details

Graphite Components

- Carbon storage engine
 - agent starts other daemons, receives metrics and pipelines them to cache
 - cache caches metrics for real-time graphing, pipelines them to persister
 - persister writes persistent data to disk

Graphite Components

- Whisper metrics database format
 - Supplanted RRDtool
 - Accepts out-of-order data
 - Supports pipelining of data in a single operation (multiplexing)

Graphite Components

- Graphite
 - Traditional web interface
 - Javascript CLI
 - Django application

Sending metrics to Graphite

- Connect to Carbon socket (tcp/2003)
- Send your data

```
my $sock = IO::Socket::INET->new("127.0.0.1:2003");
$sock->send("endpoint.app.metric $value $epoch\n");
```

• ...

Profit!

Graphite Demonstration

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Trending and Profiling

- What should I trend?
 - Application profiling data
 - Operational profiling data
 - Regression testing (releases)

Trending and Profiling

- Why should I trend?
 - Trends can tell you when something is about to break
 - ... instead of hearing from your customers that it's broken
 - Data can tell you when something already broke but you don't know it yet (regression)

Trending and Profiling

- Lock-step with Business/Transactional monitoring
 - Just because a host or service reponds, how do you know it's working?
 - If you don't know "good", how will you recognize "bad"?
 - You don't know what might break, so collect everything now

Customer Quote

"I don't care if my servers are on fire as long as they're making me money"

Next Steps

"Premature optimization is the root of all evil"

Next Steps

"Those who ignore history are doomed to repeat it"

Adding Value

- Interchange/PostgreSQL profiling
 - How fast is our:
 - function foo() for each iteration
 - database query
 - 3rd party API service (e.g. payment gateway, social media)

Adding Value

- Interchange/PostgreSQL profiling
 - How many times do we:
 - call function foo()
 - register a new user
 - chargeback a sale
 - ... on Monday of last week? Last month?

Adding Value

- Design/User-Experience
 - A/B Testing
 - Waterfall metrics
 - Can we gather real-time waterfall metrics and submit them via AJAX?

You can't be serious!

This sounds like a lot of work.

Ok, let's make it even easier.

StatsD

- "Measure Anything, Measure Everything"
- Created and released by Etsy
- Aggregate counters and timers
- Pipeline to Graphite
- Fire-and-forget (UDP)
- https://github.com/etsy/statsd

StatsD

- Perl client
- https://github.com/sivy/statsd-client

```
use Net::StatsD::Client;
my $c = Net::StatsD::Client->new();
$c->increment('endpoint.customer.app.metric'); # counter
$c->timing('endpoint.customer.app.foo', 200); # timing function, 200ms
```

Too much activity? Sample it!

```
# sample 10%, StatsD will multiply it up
$client->increment('endpoint.customer.app.metric', 0.1)
```

Questions?

Thank you