

Finding the needle in a Haystack

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The What



A resilient, scalable tracing and analysis system



The Why

Mainframes 1960s

Client/server 1970s

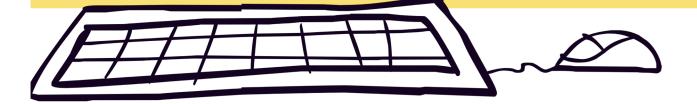
2 and 3-tiered Systems 1980s

N-tier Systems 1990s

Services 2000s

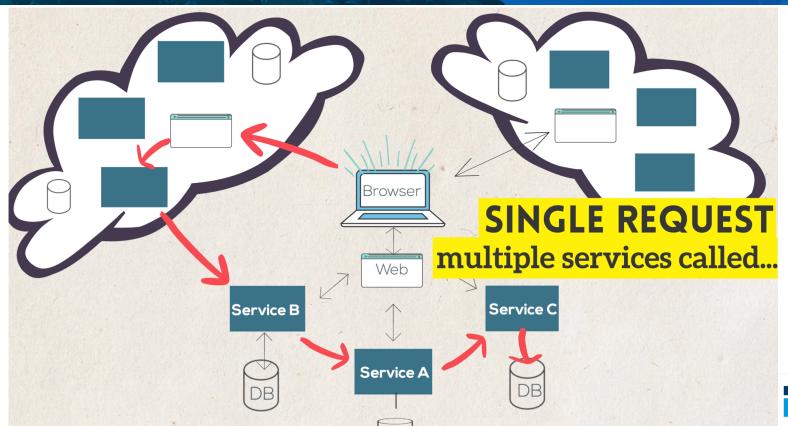
Now

MICROSERVICE ARCHITECTURE



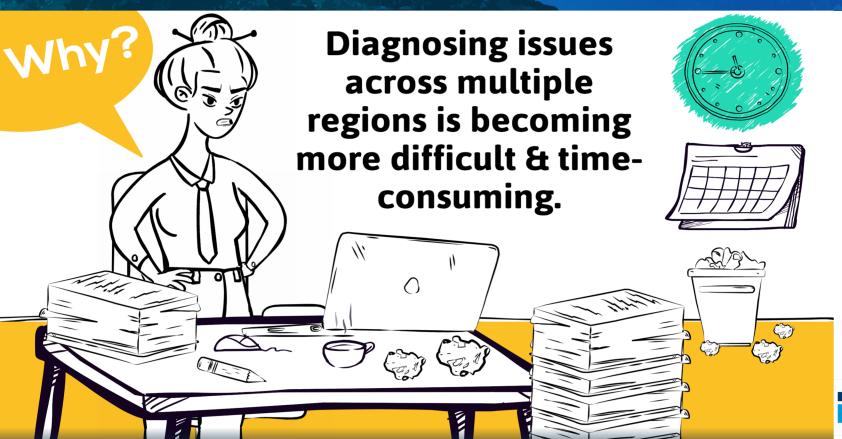


The Why continued





The final Why



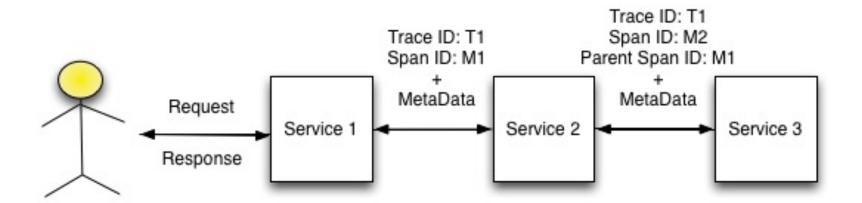
Finding the needle in a Haystack





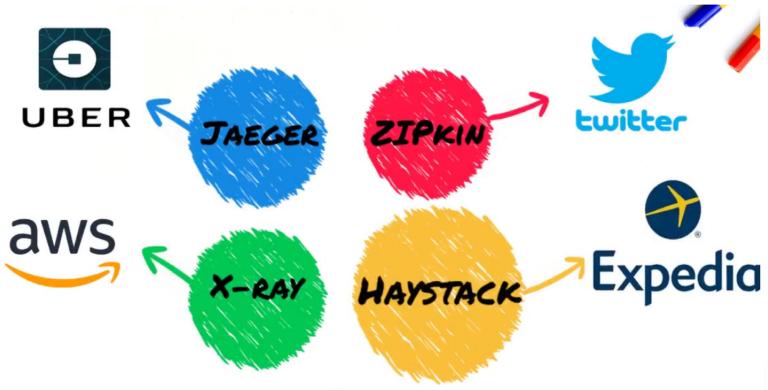
The How

Distributed Tracing by Google





The Where and when





The Why again: Build our custom solution

UUID Support

 Existing solutions did not support UUID's as identifiers for Span

Extensible Platform

Ability to build more systems to make use of this immensely useful data stream

Open Tracing

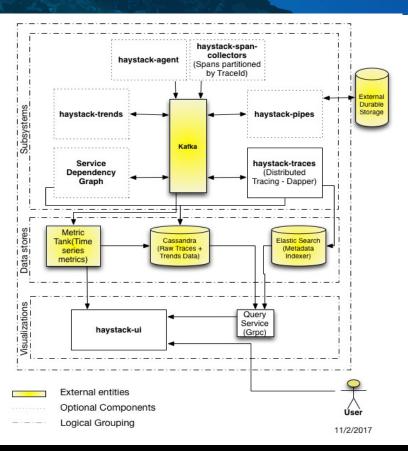
 Open Tracing Compliance so the organization is not coupled to a single implementation

Open Source

Opportunity to contribute to the open-source community



Haystack Architecture





Haystack Components

Traces

Trends

Service Graph

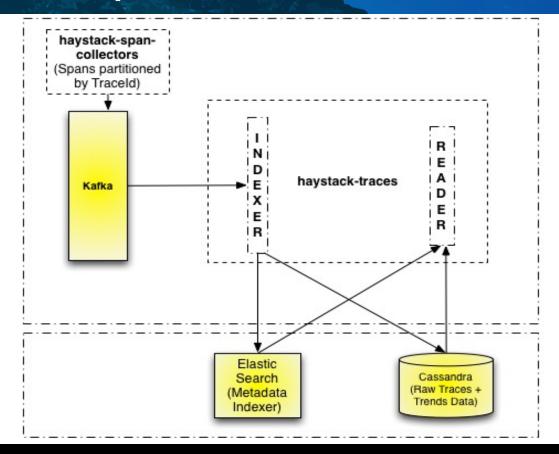
Latency Cost

Alerts

Pipes

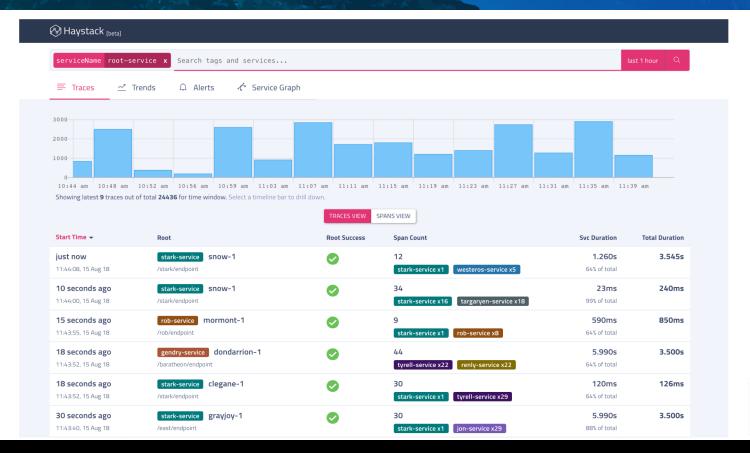


Traces component Architecture



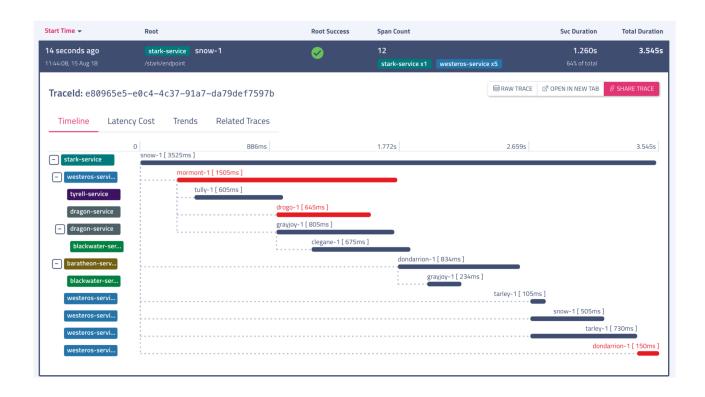


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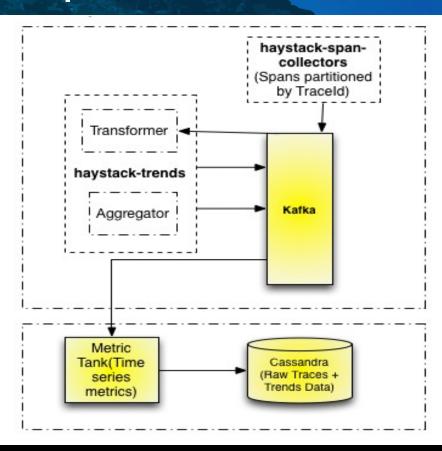


Traces Waterfall View



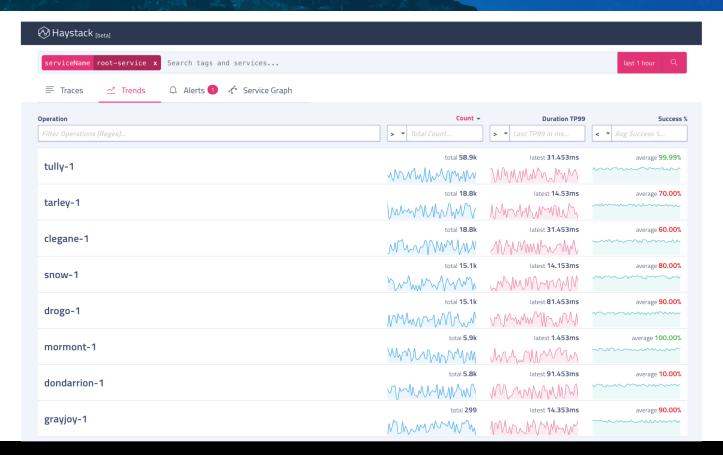


Trends component Architecture



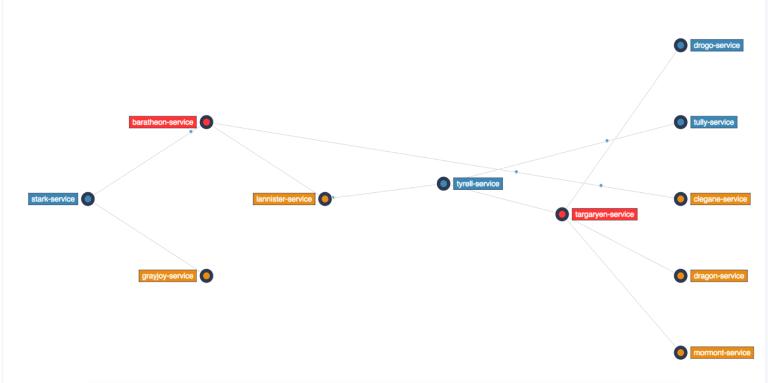


Trends component





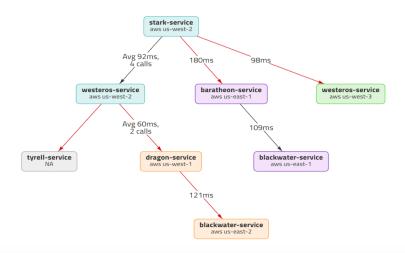
Service Graph component





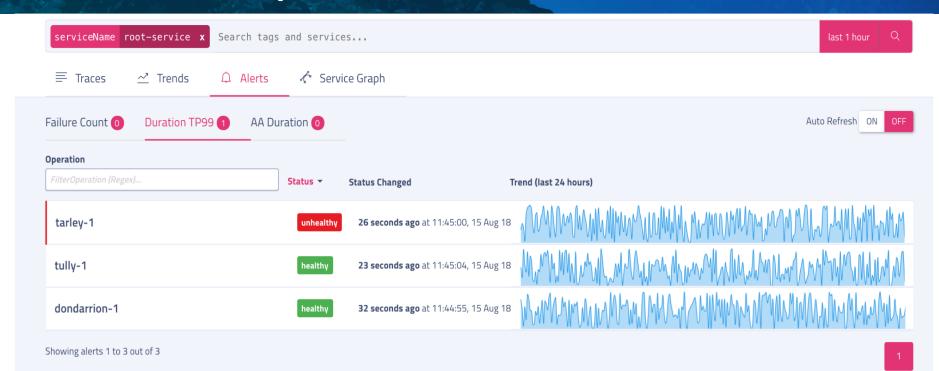
Network Latency Cost component





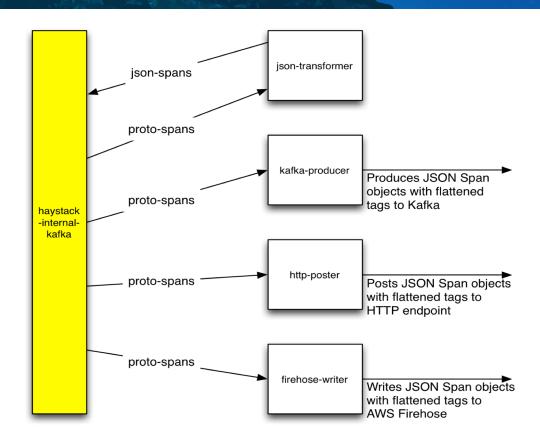


Alerts component





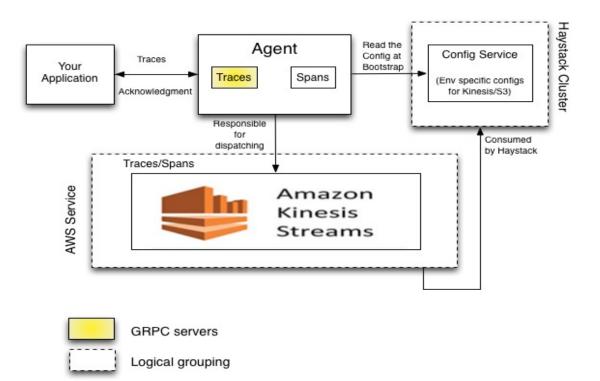
Pipes component





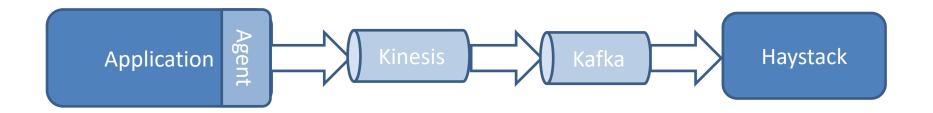
How to onboard / Integrate: Agent

V1 Trace and Blob dispatch Architecture





Haystack flow



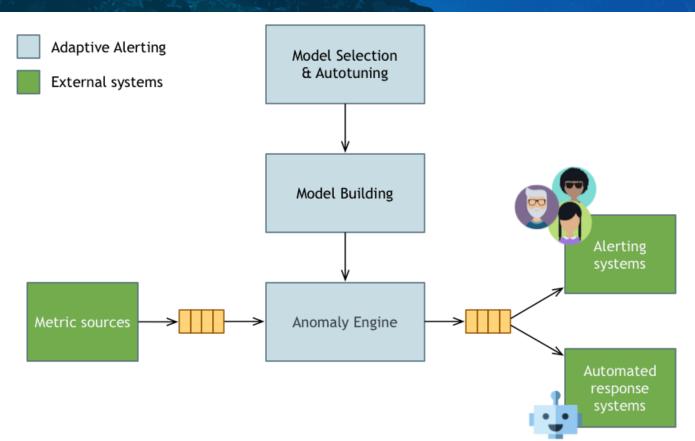


Haystack @ Expedia Group

- Multiple brands
- More than few hundred services
- 210k/sec spans ingestion
- 50 node c5.xlarge k8s cluster
- 40 node Kafka cluster
- 50 node c5.xlarge Cassandra
- Tens of ES node cluster
- Support OpenTracing clients in Java and NodeJS



Next steps: Adaptive Alerting





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