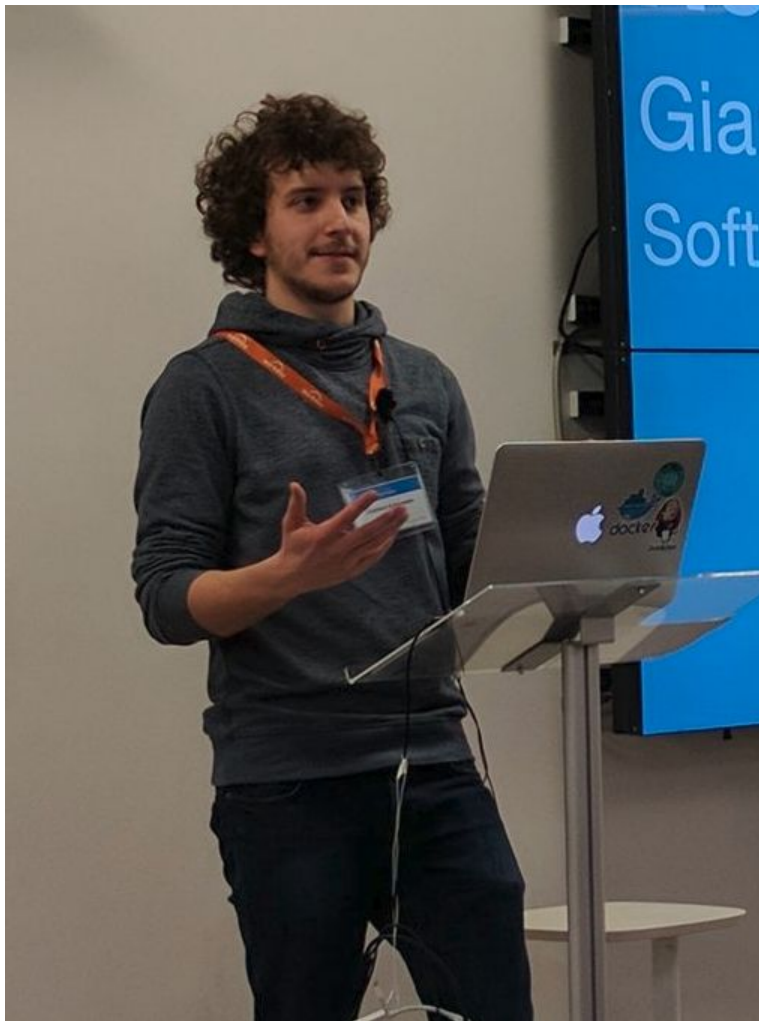


# The network is a (great) signal

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### What I like:

- I make dirty hacks that look awesome
- I grow my vegetables 🍅 🌻 🍆
- Travel for fun and work

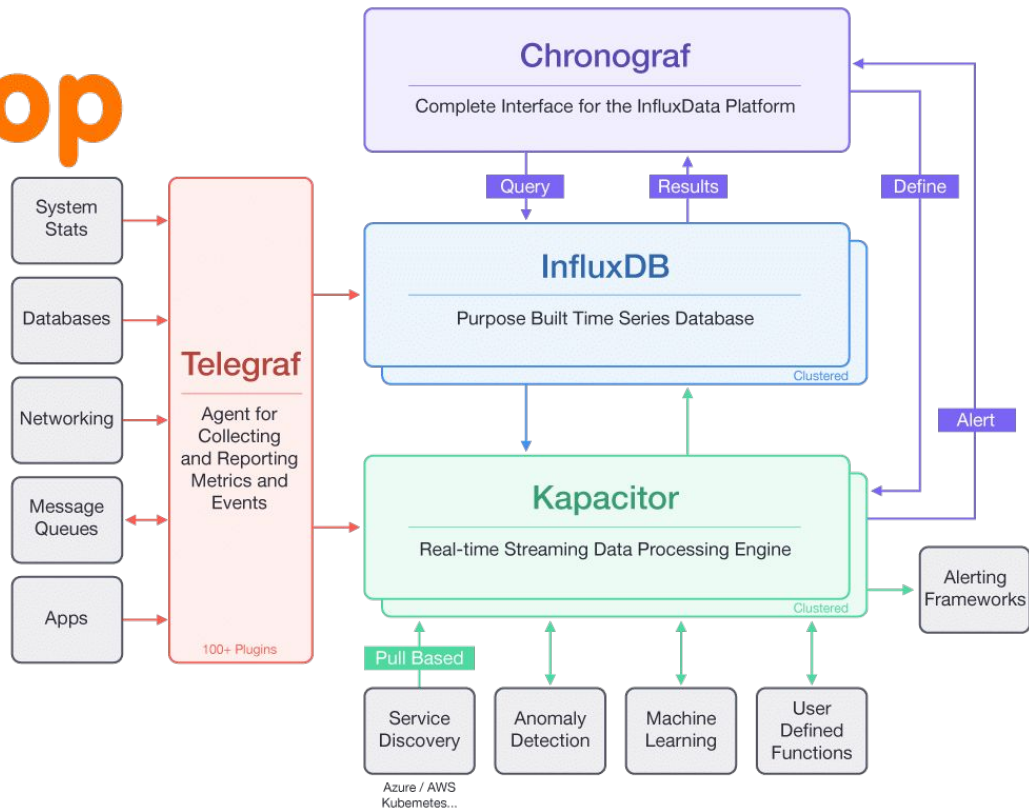


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## Ntopng workflow

same network namespace



ntop uses as identifier IPs, in our case the containers IP. But I would like to correlate by hostname and environment as well



**telegraf**<sup>™</sup>

telegraf as proxy add those tags for every points.

```
[global_tags]
  env = "$ENV"
  hostname = "$HOSTNAME"
```



**influxdb**<sup>™</sup>

# Zoom



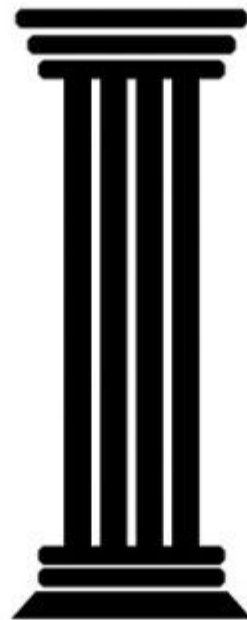
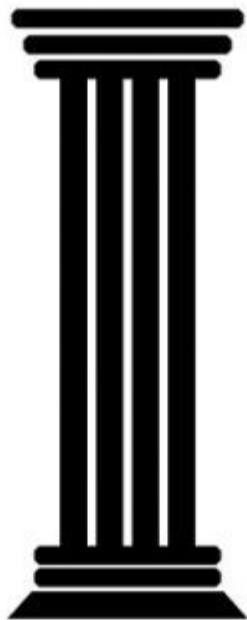
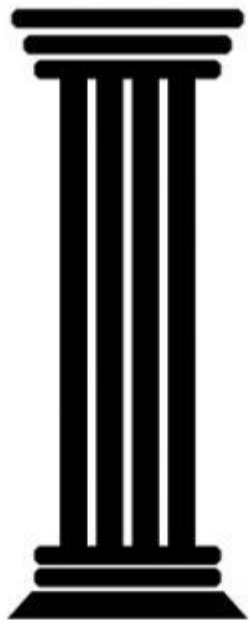
Customers never called me  
because they experienced too  
many packet loss.



We need tools that helps us  
observe a system



# Metrics Traces Logs



# Metric



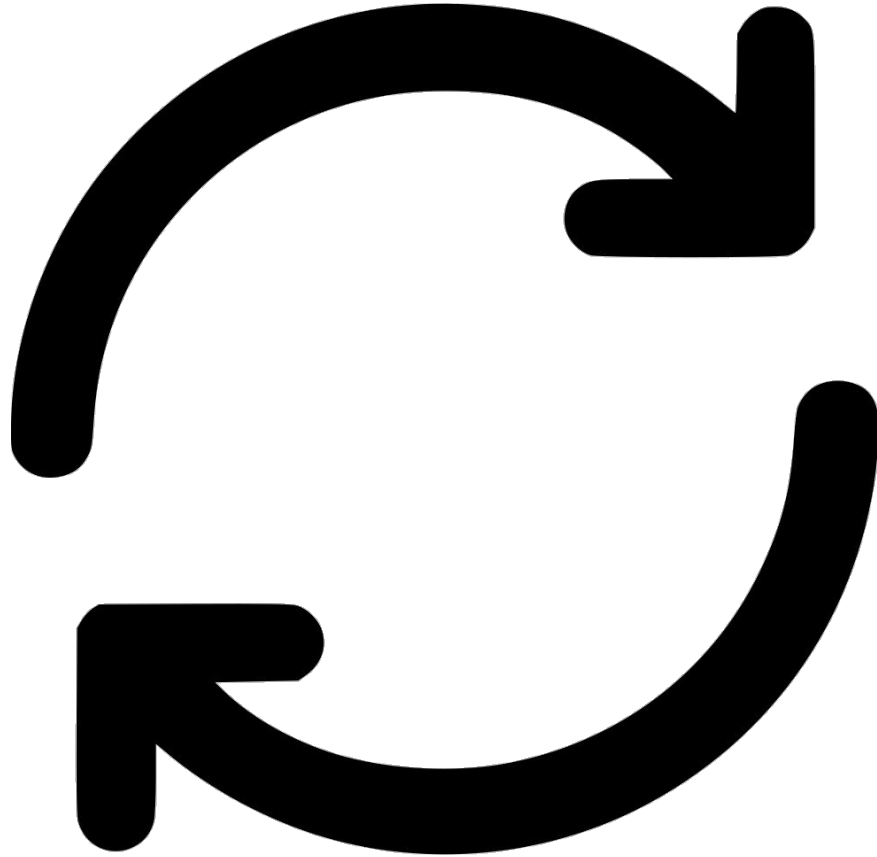
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# Logs



# Traces





We need “centralization”



~~Data centralization is not what  
we need~~

We need to build and enreach a  
context

# Aggregation





# Flux Language Elements

```
// get all data from the telegraf db
```

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from(bucket:"telegraf/autogen")
```

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// filter that by the last hour
```

```
|> range(start:-1h)
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```
// filter further by series with a specific measurement and field
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## Comments

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## Named Arguments

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## String Literals

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## Buckets, not DBs

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**Duration**  
**Literal**

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**Time  
Literal**

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**Pipe forward  
operator**

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**Anonymous  
Function**



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  |> filter(fn: (r) => (r._measurement == "cpu" or r._measurement == "cpu")
                        and r.host == "serverA")
```

**Predicate  
Function**



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Variables Annotations Past 15m

drops per node



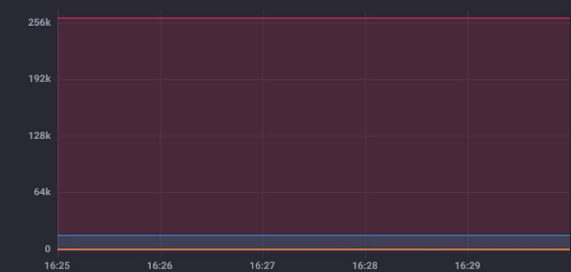
tot bytes received per node (without loopback iface)



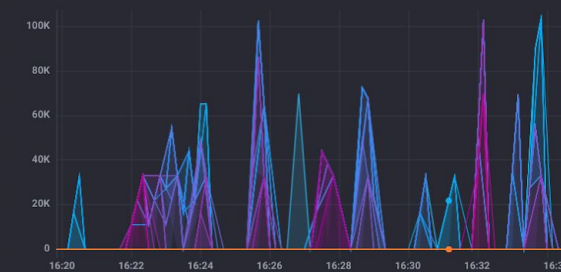
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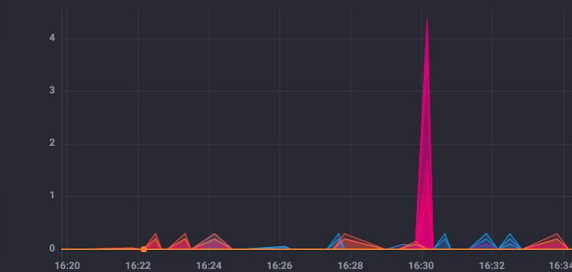
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Number of requests



Container restarts



## Network is a solid concept

Network is made by the same principles. There are IPs and flows. But the perception about how it works is way different if look at:

- .. Bare metal in your own datacenter
- .. Cloud Computing
- .. Containers and Kubernetes

Tools needs to give us the ability to understand the network of where we are and vice versa.

# Community is the unique solution.

Share your experience

Learn from somebody else

# Any question?

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