Monitoring Solr at Scale

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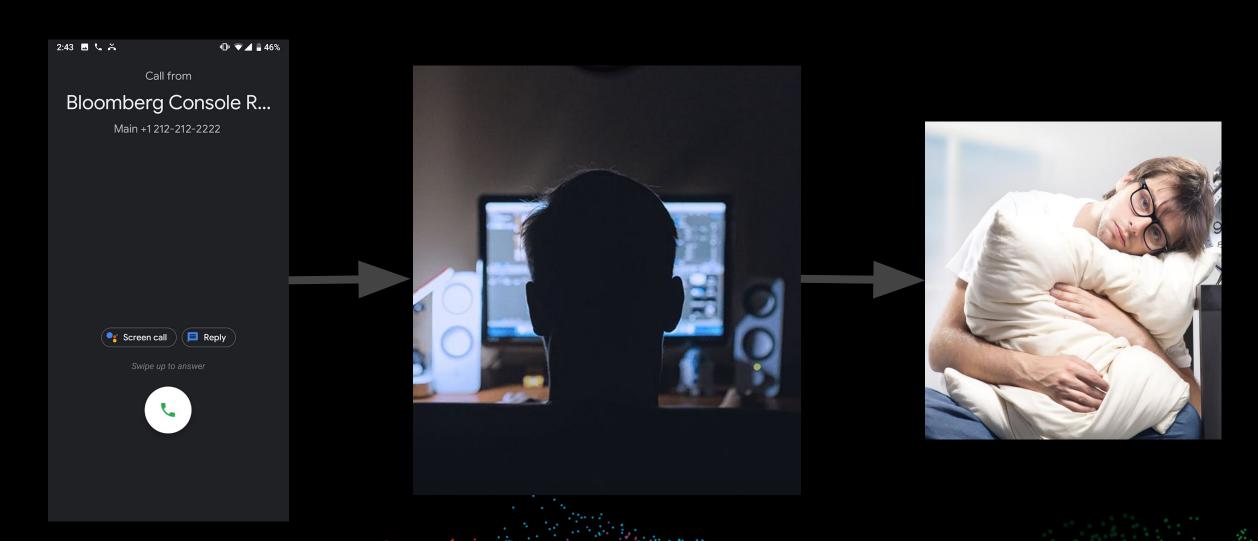
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Has this happened to you?



What's a Bloomberg?

- Largest provider of financial news and information
- Our strength is quickly and accurately delivering data, news and analytics
- Creating highly-performant and accurate information retrieval systems is core to our strength



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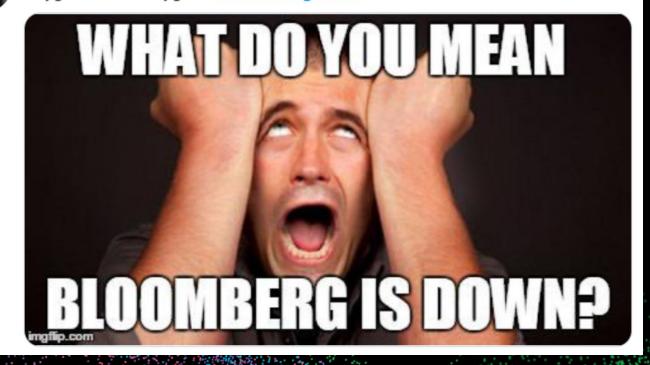




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Maybe it could be a Blockbuster #BloombergDown





Search Infrastructure at Bloomberg

- Hundreds of search applications & ZK Ensembles
 - Diverse use cases and scale
 - Displaced other technologies
- 10s of billions documents
- 100s of millions new documents daily
- 1,000s of servers
- 10,000s of Solr instances
- 10,000s of queries per second
- Critical to Bloomberg and the global financial markets





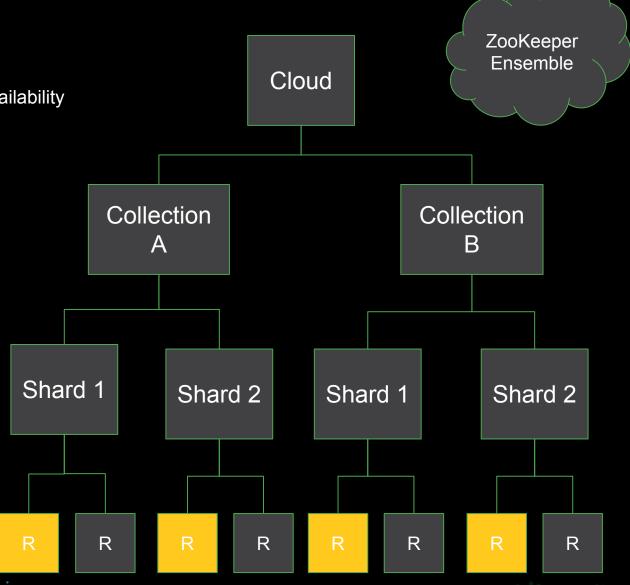
Solr Open Source Contributions at Bloomberg

- Analytics component
- Streaming expressions
- Learning to rank
- Bug fixes
- 3 committers and 2 PMC members
 - On teams throughout Bloomberg

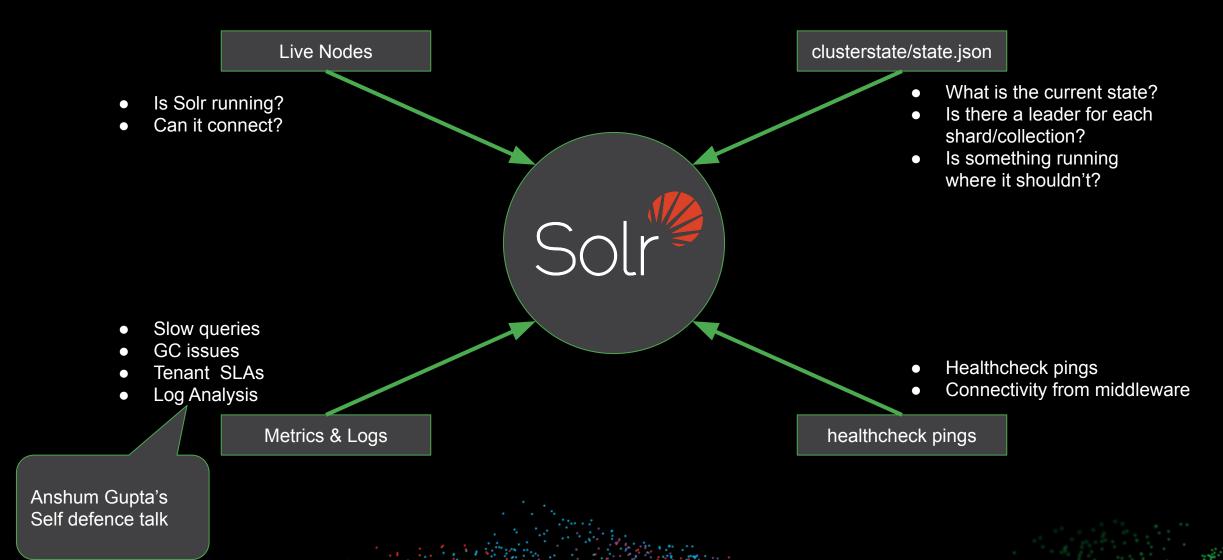


Some Terms

- Solr Cloud
 - · A cluster setup that allows for fault tolerance and high availability
- Collection
 - A complete logical index
- Shard
 - A logical piece (or slice) of a collection
- Replica
 - Simply a copy of a shard
- Leader
 - The shard replica responsible for indexing
 - Represented in yellow
- ZooKeeper
 - A consensus management system used by Solr
- Service Provider
 - The service management team (Me)
- Tenant
 - The application team using a service
 - Hostile users <- Credit Anshum
- Alarming
 - · Active notification of relevant events
- Monitoring
 - Next slide please



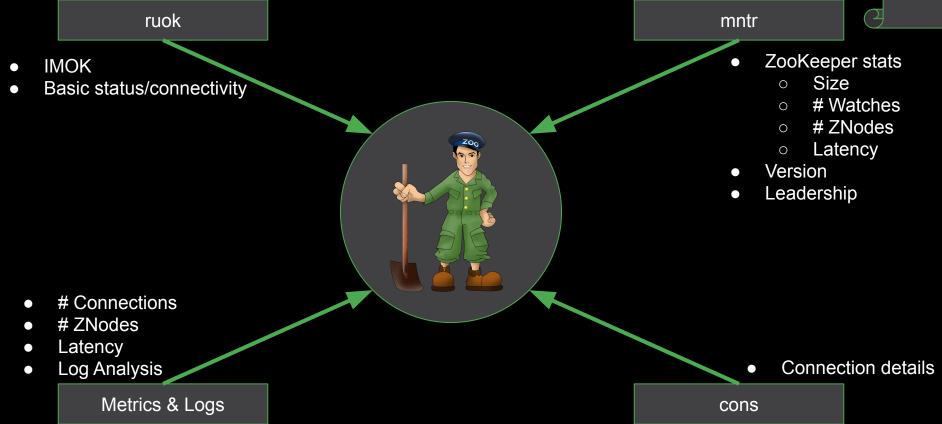
What does it mean to monitor Solr?



What about ZooKeeper?

ZooKeeper 3.5 5

Dyn Reconfig. Jetty/Rest





Can you see me now?

- Initial version
- Single Collection View
- Cross Environments
- Point in time





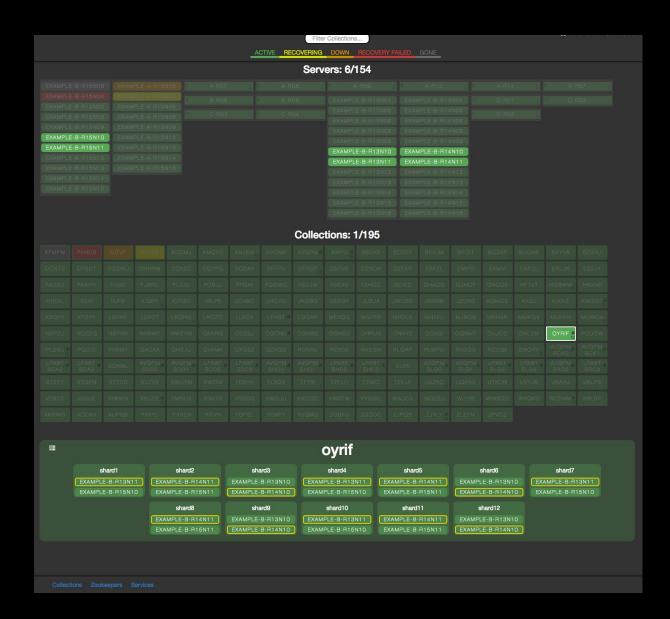
Service Provider View

- Display state of all clouds
- Switch between environments
- Bulk commands
 - Restart clouds by rack
- Still point in time
- Scale still a problem





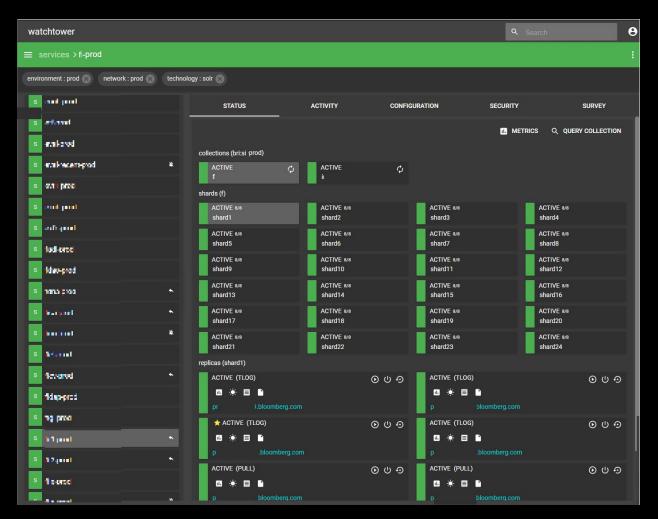
- Active monitor of state changes
- Backend
 - Intelligent alarms
- Frontend
 - More scalable
 - Service provider only





All along the WatchTower....

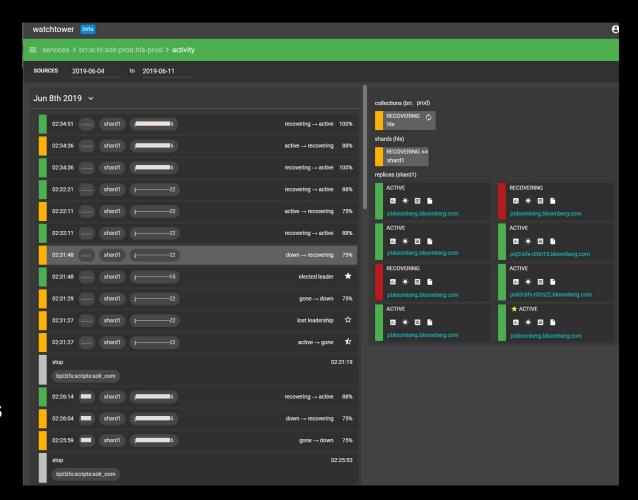
- Allows Svc provider & tenants to share a UI
- Leverages same Niteowl back-end
- Day 2 actions
 - Process management (start, stop, etc.)
 - Schema changes
 - Query interface
 - Metrics
 - Security





Alarming, Activity & Analysis

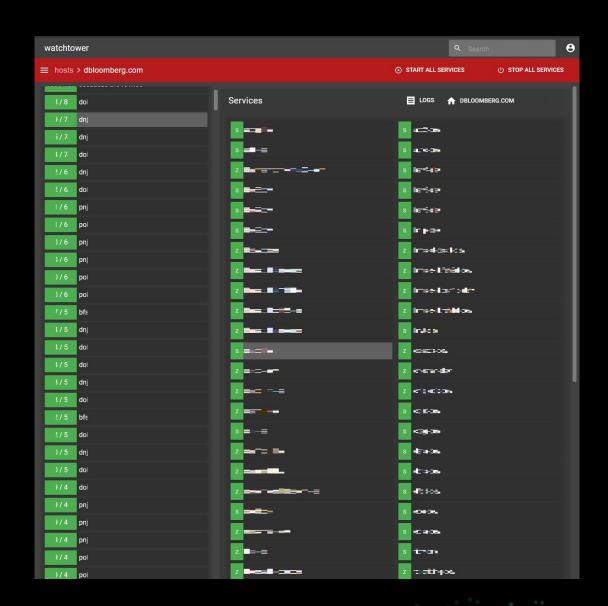
- Alarming
 - Cloud aware
 - Consolidation across signals
 - Delay Alarms to prevent flutter
- Activity
 - Auditability is critical
 - Every state change is recorded
 - Each user action is logged
 - Additional sources (OOMs)
- Analysis
 - · Events indexed into Solr
 - Analytics helped address multitude of issues





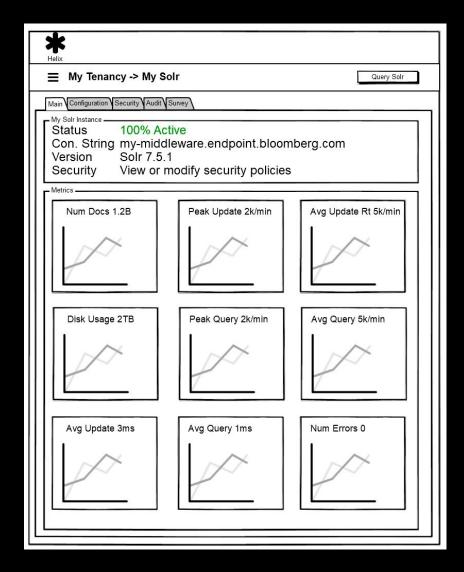
Slice & Dice

- Slice by:
 - Host list
 - State
 - and more
- Dice by:
 - Technology
 - Tenancy
 - Network Segment
 - and more





- Enter Helix
- New UI
 - Shared among service providers
 - Think AWS console
- New Purpose
 - Client centric
 - Administration through automation
- Obviously still in wireframe/planning stages
- Our final UI 😁





- Chat Ops Goals:
 - Laptops off
 - Only wake up when necessary
 - Read-only
- Commands
 - What's wrong (sup)?
 - Detailed views (how is *foo*)
 - Host by host breakdown (hosts)
 - More to come
- Publication of events



UPDATE

Service: bri:si:m:solr:dev:m-dev

Alarm Type: com.bloomberg.bfs.banshee.service.alarms.ReplicasDownAlarmRule@39a77334

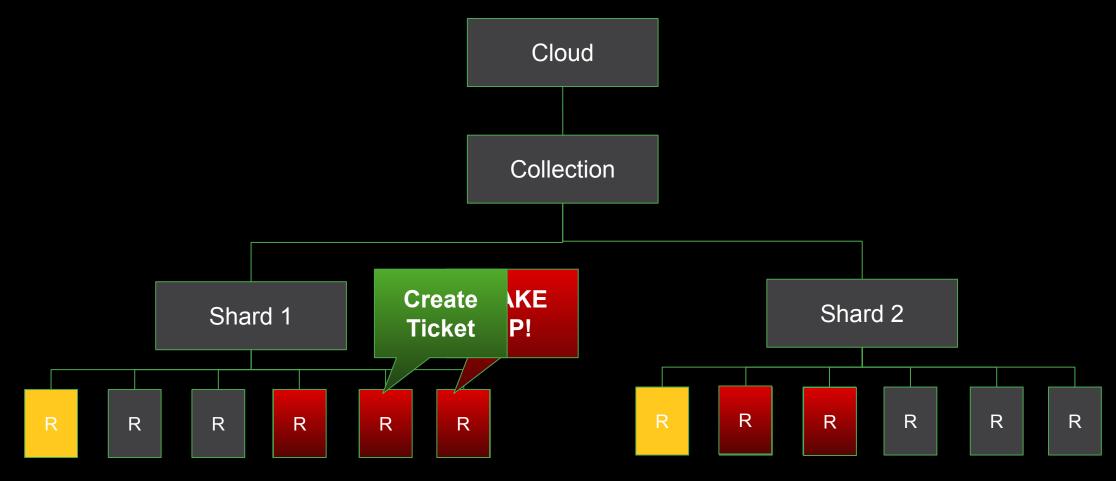
Severity: BF

Associated DRQS: NONE Underlying Conditions:

bri:si:msg:solr:dev:m-dev#m·p001#shard5 has only 1/2 replicas healthy bri:si:msg:solr:dev:m-dev#m·p001#shard4 has only 1/2 replicas healthy bri:si:msg:solr:dev:m-dev#m·p001#shard12 has only 1/2 replicas healthy

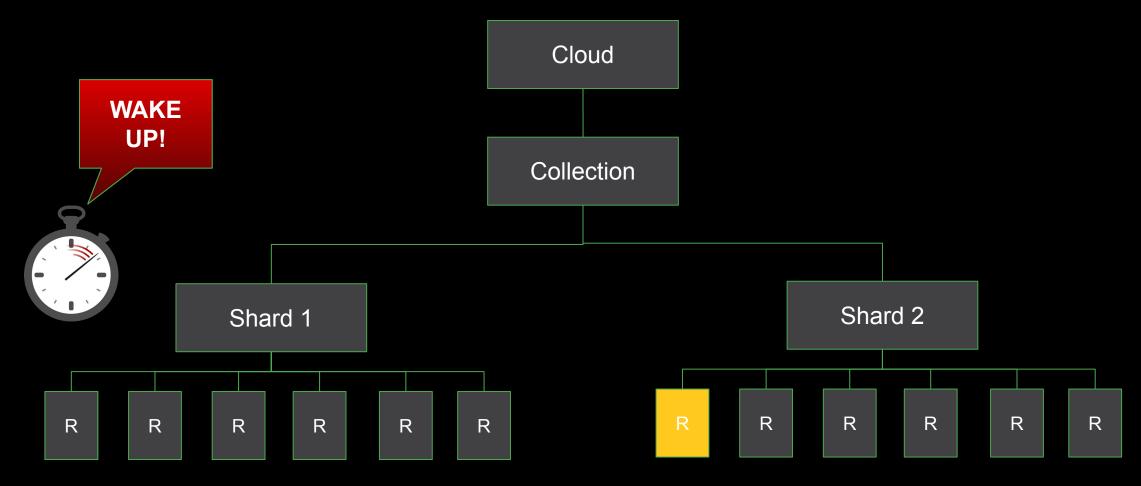


Niteowl - Here today, gone tomorrow

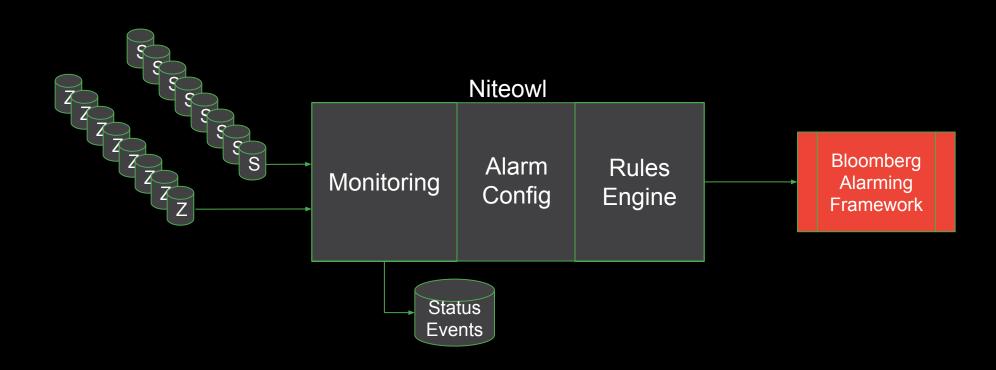




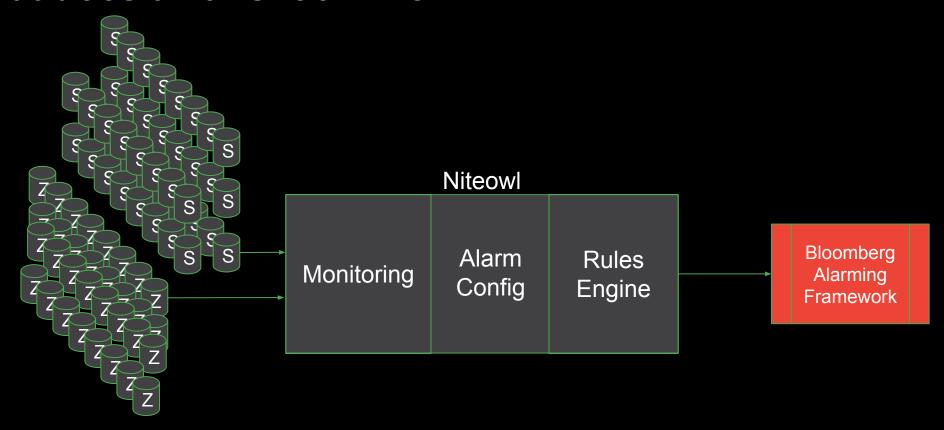
Niteowl - Take me to your leader!



So what does all this look like?

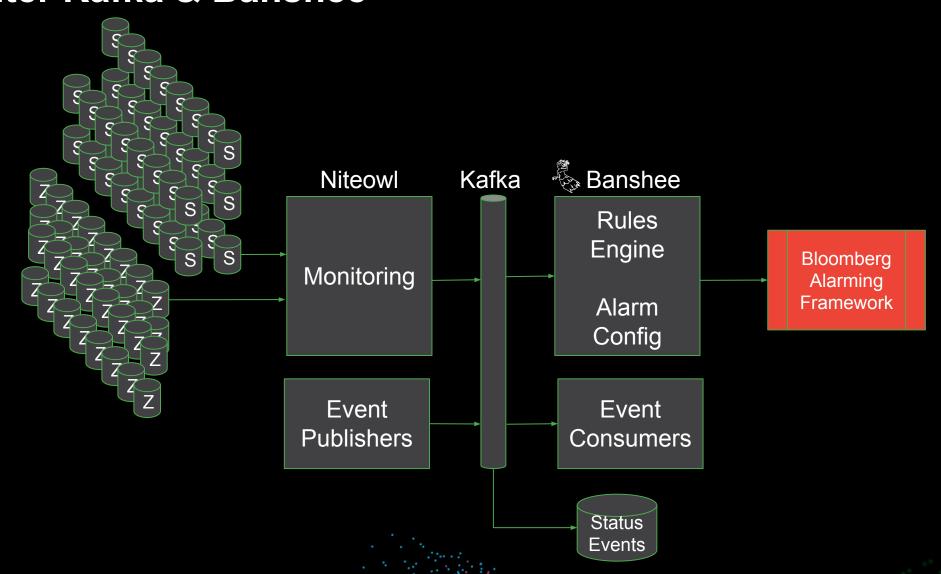


So what does all this look like?



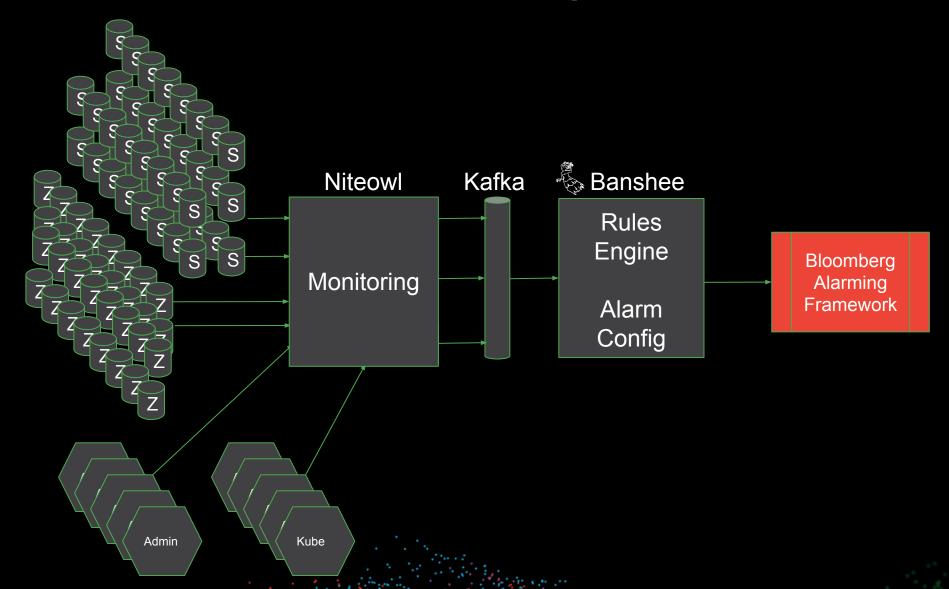


Enter Kafka & Banshee





Run Niteowl via Kubernetes and spread the load





What's Next?

- 2019 Goal: Rules Engine
 - Leverage Kafka Streams to create robust alarms engine
- 2019 Goal: Open Sourcing Niteowl
 - Reality: Tightly integrated into the Bloomberg Infrastructure
- 2020 Goal: Detangle Niteowl and hopefully publish as open source

Thank You, Sleep Well!

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Questions?

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