

Exploiting IT Log Analytics to Find and Fix Problems Before They Become Outages

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Agenda

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Rapid growth of data from next generation technologies can be supported seamlessly on z Systems



System z scaling model and security to manage and optimize both



- Business Transactions
- Quality of Service
- Command & Control
- Facts and data "source of truth"
- z Systems

- Mobile and Social
- Dynamic
- Interactions and Collaboration
- Insight, trends, analytics



New Technologies like cloud and big data already challenging current Enterprise tools



- Too long to isolate, diagnose problems in applications and infrastructure.
 - Complex application workloads span multiple platforms
 - Increasing amounts of IT data:
 - Performance metrics, events, infrastructure logs, application logs, configuration files, traces
- Existing IT tools inappropriate for management of Systems of Engagement
 - 100x to 1000x explosion in data flooding existing tools.
 - New runtimes, programming languages needing complex instrumentation.
- Reactive analytics misses critical information leading to outages
 - Analyzing all information better for predicting problems.



Is managing IT today like sipping from a fire hose?





IBM focused on managing end-to-end analytics for improved performance and workload management

Predict:

- Pro-Active Outage Avoidance
- Predict problems before they occur

Search:

- Quickly search large volumes of log data from a single search bar
- Perform log analysis while searching
- Correlate messages from multiple logs for end-to-end problem diagnosis

Optimize:

Improve performance across IT Infrastructure





Analytics is the next step in IBM value add for zEnterprise performance and availability management

- This journey started with NetView/SA
 - Too many messages
 - Need to filter, automate, generate events
- Next focus was on performance monitoring
 - Slow and under-capacity system are just as bad as unavailable systems
- Next step Enable to data to work for YOU
 - Analyze existing data, surface anomalies, predict outages and decrease mean time to recovery (MTTR)

OMEGAMON

System and sub-system performance monitoring

IT Analytics

Analyze metric and log data Predict outages Forecast capacity, CPU, etc Surface anomalies Improve search techniques Reduce MTTR Provide expert advice Plug into existing service management tooling



NetView/SA

System/Network management and automation

IBM OMEGAMON Performance Management Suite for z/OS

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Tivoli OMEGAMON **Performance Management** Suite for z/OS provides an integrated solution with extensive capabilities to manage on-line and middleware sub-systems like CICS, DB2, IMS, WAS on z/OS and the z/OS **Operating System**, **Networks and Storage** which supports these capabilities



IBM zAware V2.0 - Analyze z/OS and Linux on z Systems





- Identify unusual system behavior of z/OS and Linux images running on z Systems
- Proactively surface log message anomalies



What can zAware do for you? *Identify unusual behavior quickly* Which z/OS image is having unusual message patterns?

- · High score generated by unusual messages or message patterns
- · GUI shows all systems or selected subsets

Which subsystem or component is abnormal?

• Examine high-scoring messages

When did the behavior start?

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- Which messages are unusual?
- · How often did the message occur?

Were similar messages issued previously

· Easily examine prior intervals or dates

Is the unusual behavior after some maintenance or upgrade?

Easily pinpoint changes caused by new software levels, configuration settings



Analysis View



Predictive Analysis integrating IBM zAware's Anomaly Detection and Performance Monitoring



- Save money ensuring z/OS availability. Highlight potential system health problems which will improve service and reduce business risk.
- Transition to a Problem Management platform with integration to NetView and/or OMEGAMON



Visualize search results with analytic tools to rapidly perform root cause analysis

and mainframe), LPARs, CECs, applications, middleware, subsystems

Isolate issues and provide insights across various domains including WebSphere, DB2, CICS, IMS, MQ, OS, etc.

Link support documentation and operations notes dynamically to log messages and events to resolve problems quickly

SmartCloud Analytics – Log Analysis

and accelerate problem identification, isolation and repair

Differentiating Capabilities

Locate **component error messages** from system, configuration, software and event logs via rapid indexed search

Search logs and events across multiple platforms (distributed







Search for and rapidly analyze unstructured data to assist in and accelerate problem identification, isolation and repair SmartCloud Analytics – Log Analysis

belivering Business

Reduce mean time to repair by identifying and isolating service impacting issues quickly

Resolve problems more efficiently with faster access to all pertinent information

Reduce effort by consolidating, analyzing information in real-time

Improve service availability by leveraging expert knowledge of applications and infrastructure

Built on IBM's leading Big Data platform IBM expertise built-in Download and install in minutes for quick time-tovalue



Customer Experiences



Large Insurance Company

 Experienced an application outage that resulted in the team working around the clock for 29 hours pouring through logs and traces to determine the root cause of the issue. After the issue was resolved, the logs were captured and sent to IBM lab for analysis using SCA-LA. Within minutes, the IBM team was able to see the scope of the issues, and find the relevant PTF to resolve the issue through the integrated expert advice.

State Agency

• Were able to download, install, configure and use SCA-LA to search their logs in 2.5 hours.

Numerous Customers

 Errors lurking in logs that are never examined because they don't necessarily cause SLA or performance problems. For example, SCA-LA found over 4,000 invalid login attempts in a three day period that had otherwise gone unnoticed.



IBM SmartCloud Analytics – Log Analysis z/OS **Insight Packs & SCA-LA Server**



z/OS Systems



z/OS Syslog

CICS MSGUSR

LPAR 2



- z/OS Log Forwarder is installed on each z/OS LPAR to enable Log Search
- The SCA-LA server is installed on z Systems (or System x) running Linux (64 bit)
- z/OS Insight Packs for WebSphere and SYSLOG are installed on **1**7
 - the SCA-LA server

Simple Search Interface – Easy to Customize



WebSphere Application Server Search – java Exception pattern

Example of search capabilities plus insights





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Quickly and easily access IBM Support Portal based Expert Advice from Log Analysis



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Integration with Performance Monitoring





OMEGAMON + SCA-LA – Launch in Context from TEP

The **One Two – Punch**: Combine two very powerful tools to ensure performance and high availability of your enterprise.

•Perform log analysis in context of OMEGAMON workspaces – This approach enables OMEGAMON users to perform in-context log analysis while doing problem determination

- From your OMEGAMON workspace, use the SCA-LA search bar to search logs (using LPAR or Sysplex as the default context)
- Easy to implement Configure TEP to display the SCA-LA search bar



Launch SCA-LA (in context of LPAR) from OMEGAMON Workspace



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Launch SCA-LA (in context of LPAR) from OMEGAMON Workspace

Search results displayed in SCA-LA





Integration with Event Management

S H A R E Educate - Network - Influence

Network Operations Insight + SCA-LA – Search and Analyze Events

Event Analytics - for Seasonal Event Identification (New)

Provides opportunities for event reduction thus improving operational efficiency.



- Easily identify 'related' Events that may be candidates for suppression
- Identify "difficult to spot" seasonal events that often result in regular periodic problems
- Leverage visualizations that help you quickly isolate more sever and significant problems.

Also, SCA-LA can generate notifications based on data (logs messages, data, etc)



In Beta Now



• Analyze your SMF data AND your log data for a complete view of the enterprise.



• Also, Search and provide network Insights with our new Network Insights Pack



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zSCA-LA v.Next Early Access and Beta Program



The **IBM SmartCloud Analytics - Log Analysis for z/OS V.next Early Access and Beta Program** was announced on January 29, 2015.

In 2015, we will build on the strong foundation established over the past months by providing insights into additional domains, as well as by enhancing existing insights through integration of performance metrics.

We are looking for customers and business partners worldwide who would like to test the new capabilities and help shape the content of the release under development.

To see the full program announcement, and to learn how to sign up, please visit us in our developerWorks community at:

https://ibm.biz/BdEkZV



Additional SCA-LA Reference Material

- Analytics Overview Video
 - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OQJapWiQECs
- SCA-LA z/OS Insight Packs videos:
 - http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2oDgX_Ydr18
 - There are <u>several</u> YouTube videos search for 'SmartCloud Analytics Log Analysis')

SCA-LA z/OS Insight Pack Documentation

- Knowledge Centers
 - SYSLOG: http://www.ibm.com/support/knowledgecenter/SS9M7K
 - IBM WAS: http://www.ibm.com/support/knowledgecenter/SS9MBD
- SCA-LA Product Documentation
 - Service Management Connect
 - http://www.ibm.com/developerworks/servicemanagement/ioa/log/index.html
 - Knowledge Center
 - http://www.ibm.com/support/knowledgecenter/SSPFMY





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