# Checkmk #10



# Checkmk 2.3 at a glance



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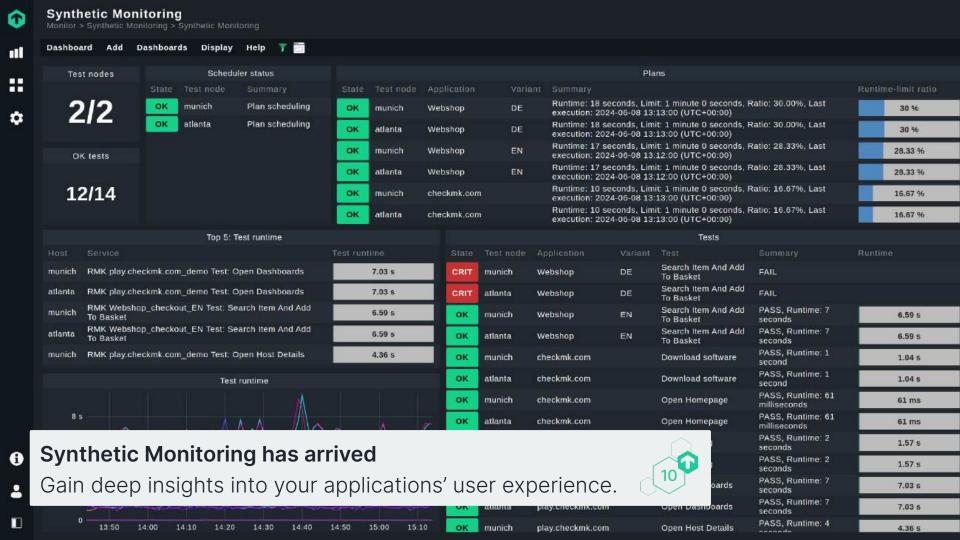


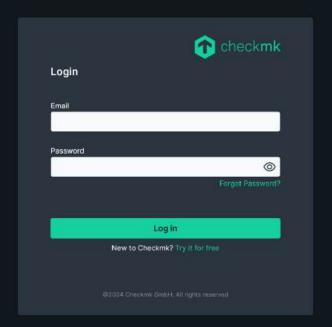












#### **Software-as-a-Service version of Checkmk**

Zero to monitoring in 5 minutes.



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**Checkmk MSP** 



#### **Checkmk MSP**

#### Major upgrade for the 'CME'



New

#### Raw

Free and open source IT monitoring for mid-sized infrastructures.

#### Monitor your entire IT:

- O Auto-discover your IT
- O Monitor out-of-the-box with 2000+ plug-ins
- O Auto-detect issues
- O 100% Open Source

and more

Support: Checkmk Community

#### Enterprise

Scalable and automated enterprisewide IT monitoring.

# Everything in Raw, plus:

- O Accelerate and scale up your monitoring
- O Automate monitoring operations
- O Monitor dynamic workloads
- O Visualize your IT

and much more

Support included

#### Cloud

State-of-the-art IT monitoring for cloud and hybrid infrastructures.

# Everything in Enterprise, plus:

- O Monitor cloud workloads
- O Deploy from cloud marketplaces
- O Auto-register any load
- O Push and pull agents
- O Visualize your cloud

and much more

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#### MSP

Monitor your customers' hybrid IT. Designed for IT service providers.

# Everything in Cloud, plus:

- O Multi-customer management & dashboards
- O Data segregation
- O Data loss protection, if customer connections fail
- O White label branding

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# What's new in Checkmk 2.3

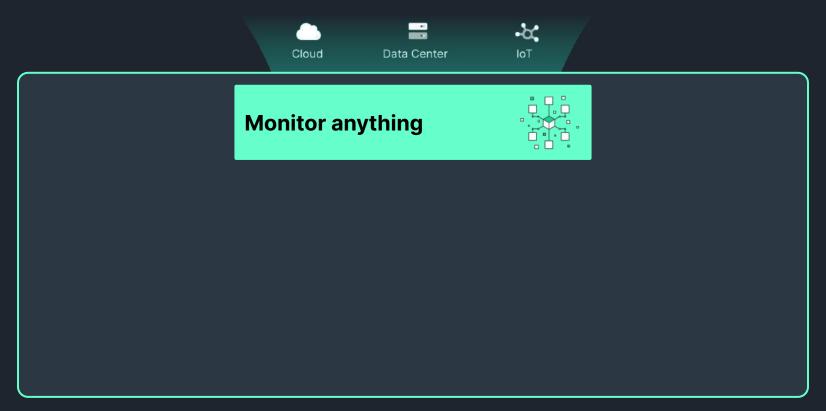




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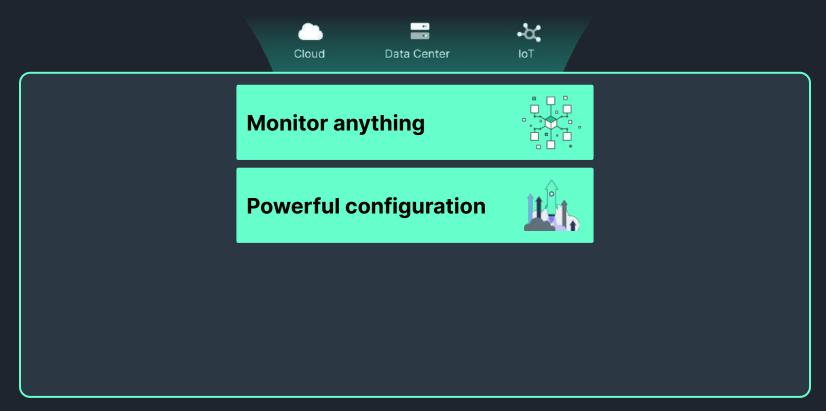






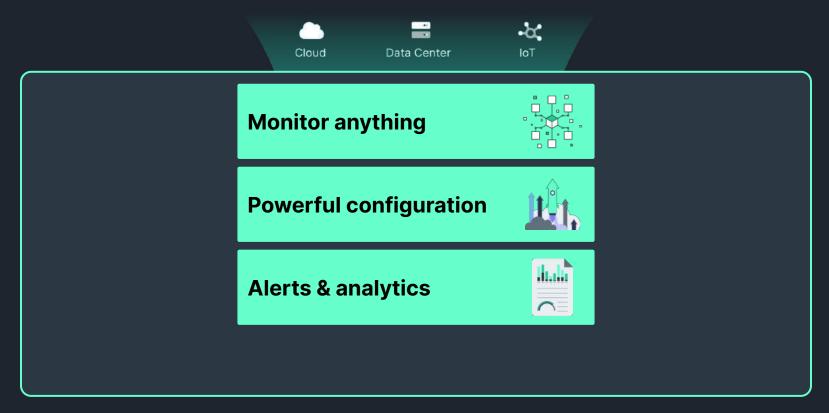






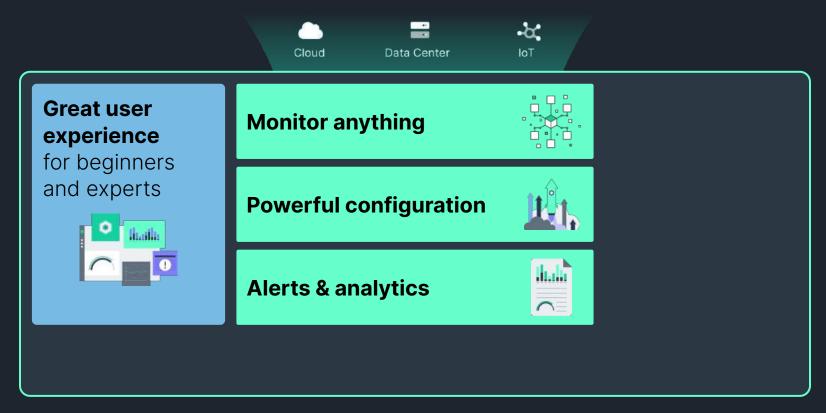




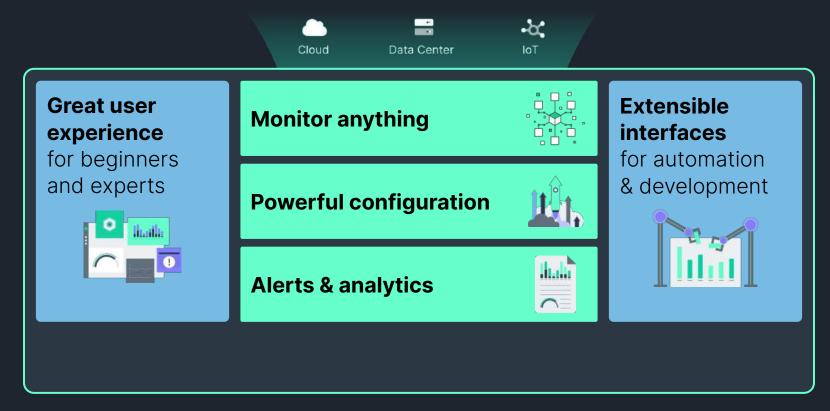




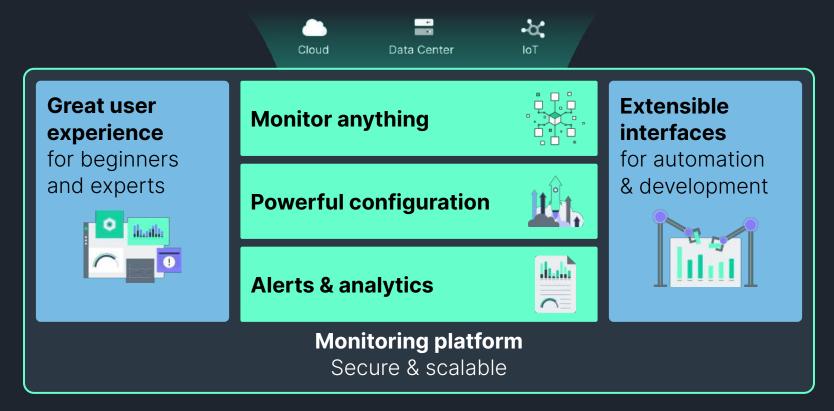






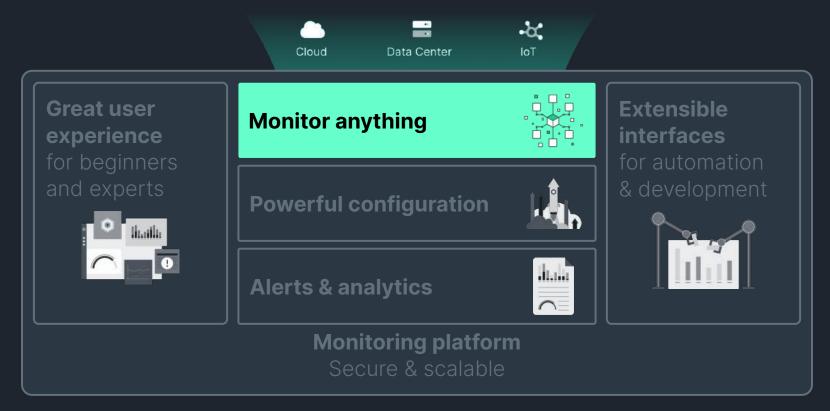












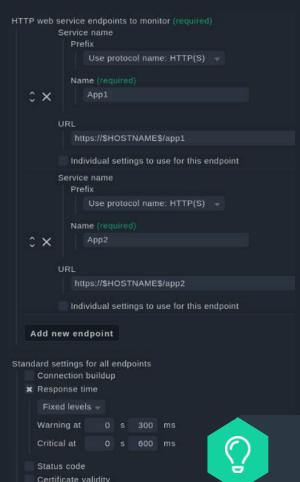




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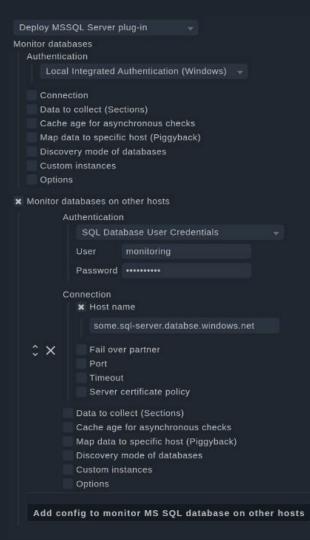


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New in 2.3: Powerful & efficient monitoring of web services 14:00 – 14:30 | Marcel Arentz (Product Manager, Checkmk)

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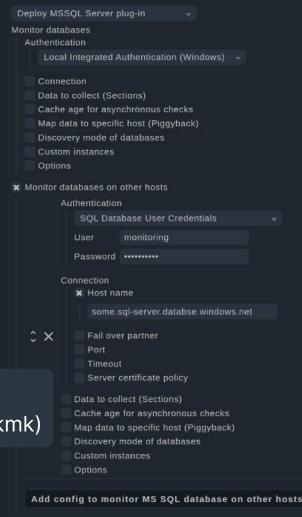
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New in 2.3: Next generation database monitoring 16:15 – 16:35 | Marcel Arentz (Product Manager, Checkmk)







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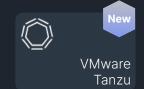


















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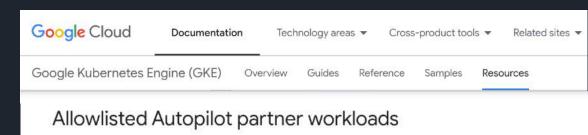
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# Checkmk now an official Google Cloud Partner

Checkmk



- Autopilot: highly managed Kubernetes service by Google Cloud
- Checkmk Kubernetes collectors reviewed by Google security team
- Checkmk one of only 16 workloads allowlisted



The following table describes the allowlisted partner workloads for Autopilot. The partner wo of your clusters depends on the GKE version of the cluster.

Partner	Description
Aqua	Aqua supports securing and ensuring compliance for the full lifecycle of workloa specifically the Kubernetes pods, which run multiple containers with shared sets resources.
	For more information, refer to Protecting Cloud Native Workloads on GKE Autopi

of-the-box dashboards.

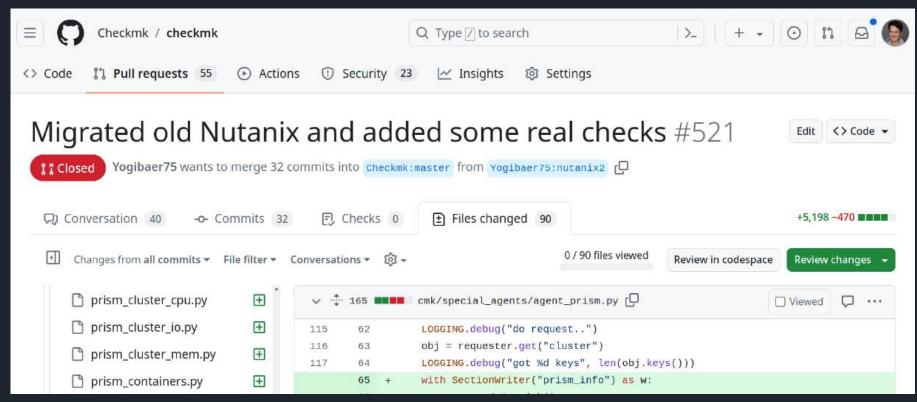
Checkmk helps organizations monitor the reliability and availability of their applicusage, and proactively address issues that may arise. Checkmk can automatical

wide data providing visibility into GKE Autopilot performance and health, and visit



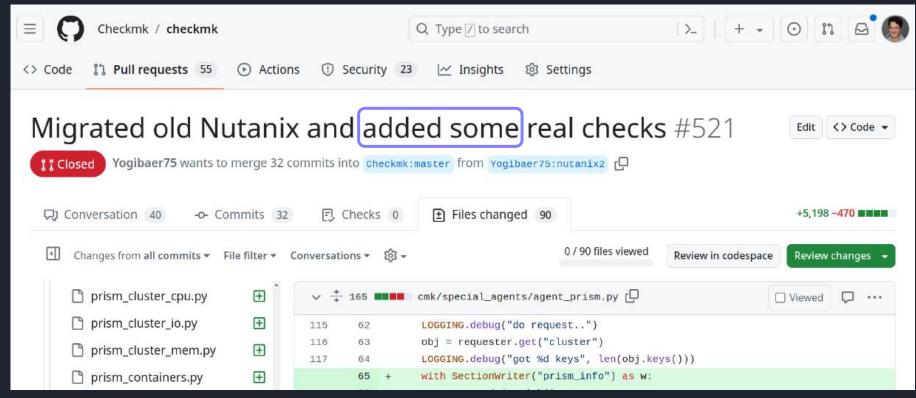
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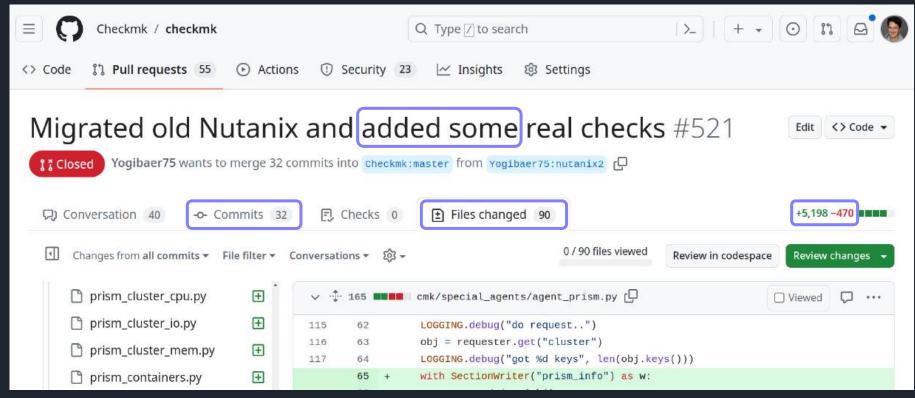
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Nutanix Prism: Cluster CPU	prism_cluster_cpu	
Nutanix Prism: Cluster Memory	prism_cluster_mem	
Nutanix Prism: Containers	prism_containers	
Nutanix Prism: General Info about a Cluster	prism_info	
Nutanix Prism: High Availability Info about a Cluster	prism_ha	
Nutanix Prism: Host CPU	prism_host_stats_cpu	
Nutanix Prism: Host Hardware Disks	prism_host_disks	
Nutanix Prism: Host I/O	prism_host_stats	
Nutanix Prism: Host IO	prism_cluster_io	
Nutanix Prism: Host Memory	prism_host_stats_mem	
Nutanix Prism: Host Network Interfaces	prism_host_networks	
Nutanix Prism: Host Storage Capacity	prism_host_usage	
Nutanix Prism: Hosts	prism_hosts	
Nutanix Prism: Protection Domains	prism_protection_domains	
Nutanix Prism: Remote Tunnel	prism_remote_support	
Nutanix Prism: Storage Pools	prism_storage_pools	
Nutanix Prism: VM CPU	prism_vm_stats_cpu	
Nutanix Prism: VM I/O	prism_vm_stats	
Nutanix Prism: VM Memory	prism_vm_stats_mem	
Nutanix Prism: VM Status	prism_vm_status	
Nutanix Prism: VM Tools	prism_vm_tools	
Nutanix Prism: VM state	prism_vms	

# In-depth Nutanix monitoring now available!

OK



K	Cluster monitoring  NTNX Alerts	Ξ	2 alerts, Last worst on 2022-10-06 16:16:27: 'It is recommended that NGT on the VM SRV-APP-01 with unid 2da80b43-fe19-4750-bbc6-17eef8d90935 should be upgraded to the latest version supported by the cluster.NGT update contains bug fixes and improvements, which will improve the overall product experience.'
K	NTNX Cluster	≡	Name: Cluster, Version: 5.20.4.6, Nodes: 3
K	NTNX Cluster Controller IO	≡ <u></u>	I/O Bandwidth: 0.21 MB/s, IOPS: 0.01, I/O Latency: 1.5 ms
K	NTNX Cluster CPU	≡ <u></u>	Total CPU: 13.95%
K	NTNX Cluster Memory	≡ <u>≃</u>	Total Memory Usage: 27.26%
K	NTNX Container NutanixManagementShare	≡ <u></u>	Used: 0.08% - 12.4 GB of 16.2 TB, trend per 1 day 0 hours: +0 B, trend per 1 day 0 hours: +0%

NTNX Container Used: 0.04% - 5.77 GB of 16.2 TB, trend per 1 day 0 hours: +0 B, trend per 1 day 0 hours: +0% SelfServiceContainer Used: 22.35% - 4.66 TB of 20.8 TB, trend per 1 day 0 hours: +0 B, trend per 1 day 0 hours: NTNX Container VMs

OK +0% OK NTNX Host SRV-AHV-01 has state NORMAL, Number of VMs 4, Memory 376 GiB, Boottime 2022-08-11 15:40:02 NTNX Remote Tunnel Remote Tunnel is disabled OK Used: 22.42% - 9.35 TB of 41.7 TB, trend per 1 day 0 hours: +0 B, trend per 1 day 0 hours: NTNX Storage StoragePool OK

OK +0%, SSD capacity: 41.7 TB, SSD free: 32.3 TB NTNX VM NTNX-SRV-AHV-01-OK

with status on - on Host SRV-AHV-01 CVM with status off - on Host None WARN WARN NTNX VM Nutanix-Move

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#### **Node monitoring**

oĸ	NTNX CPU	= <u>~</u>	Total CPU: 11.64%
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OK NTNX HW Disk 1  $\equiv$  Model: SAMSUNG MZ7LH3T8HMLT-00005, Serial: S456NW0R504280, State: healthy, Mount state: disk is mounted

OK NTNX HW Disk 2 Model: SAMSUNG MZ7LH3T8HMLT-00005, Serial: S456NW0R504279, State: healthy, Mount state: disk is mounted

OK NTNX HW Disk 4 Model: SAMSUNG MZ7LH3T8HMLT-00005, Serial: S456NW0R504283, State: healthy, Mount state: disk is mounted

OK NTNX HW Disk 5 Model: SAMSUNG MZ7LH3T8HMLT-00005, Serial: S456NW0R504275, State: healthy, Mount state: disk is mounted

is 4.88 KiB read and 11.7 KiB write

NTNX Storage Capacity Used: 23.96% - 3.33 TB of 13.9 TB, trend per 1 day 0 hours: +0 B, trend per 1 day 0 hours: +0%, Total SAS: 0 B, Free SSD: 10.6 TB

Usage: 95.89% - 76.7 GiB of 80.0 GiB (warn/crit at 80.00%/90.00% used)

### VM monitoring

**NTNX Memory** 

NTNX I/O

OK

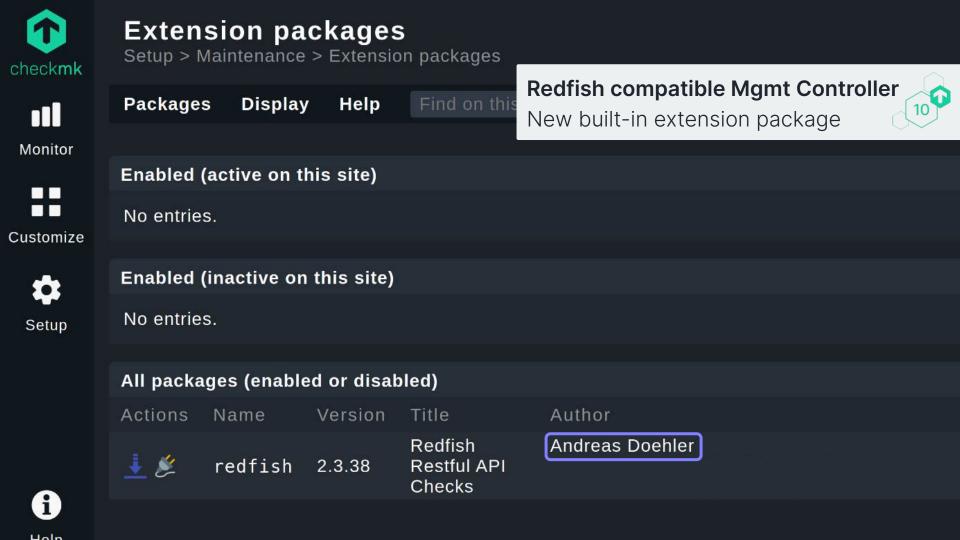
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OK NTNX CPU = CPU usage: 5.61%, CPU ready: <0.01%

OK NTNX I/O ≡ Mis 10.7 KiB read and 8.79 KiB write

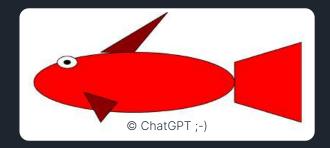
OK NTNX VM State  $\equiv$  is in state on, defined on SRV-AHV-03, CPUs: 16, Memory: 80.0 GiB

OK NTNX VMTools Tools with version 2.1.5 installed, Tools enabled



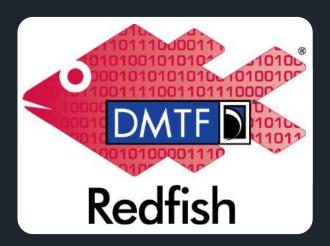
## What is Redfish?







#### What is Redfish?



DMTF's Redfish® is a standard designed to deliver simple and secure management for converged, hybrid IT and the Software Defined Data Center.

#### **Redfish support on server**

- Advantech SKY Server BMC
- Dell iDRAC BMC
- Fujitsu iRMCS5 BMC
- HPE iLO BMC
- HPE Moonshot BMC
- Lenovo XClarity Controller (XCC) BMC
- Supermicro X10 & X11 BMC
- IBM Power Systems BMC
- IBM Power Systems Flexible Service Processor
- Cisco Integrated Management Controller
- Data center equipment, e.g. PDU



## Started with a few specific implementations





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# Too many single agents... let's build a universal one





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Generic Redfish REST API Checks

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# Server monitoring via Redfish has arrived



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ок	CPU CPU.Socket.1		Type: CPU, Model: Intel(R) Xeon(R) Gold 6438N, Cores: 32, Threads: 64, Speed 2000 MHz	
ок	CPU CPU.Socket.2		Type: CPU, Model: Intel(R) Xeon(R) Gold 6438N, Cores: 32, Threads: 64, Speed 2000 MHz	
ок	Drive Disk.Bay.0:Enclosure.Internal.0- 0:RAID.Slot.3-1-Physical Disk 0:0:0	=	Size: 1117GB, Speed 12 Gbs	
ок	Drive Disk.Bay.9:Enclosure.Internal.0- 1:RAID.Slot.3-1-Physical Disk 0:1:9	=	Size: 18626GB, Speed 6 Gbs	
ок	Fan System Board Fan1A	≡ <u>~</u>	Speed: 5520.0 rpm	5520 rpm
ок	Fan System Board Fan1B	≡ <u></u>	Speed: 4920.0 rpm	4920 rpm
ок	Memory DIMM.Socket.A1	=	Size: 32GB, Type: DDR5-4800 MultiBitECC	
ок	Memory DIMM.Socket.A2		Size: 32GB, Type: DDR5-4800 MultiBitECC	
ок	Memory Summary	=	Capacity: 256GB, with State: Component State: Normal, Rollup State: Normal, This resource is enabled.	
ок	Network adapter NIC.Embedded.1	≡	Component State: Normal, Rollup State: Normal, This resource is enabled.	
ок	Network adapter NIC.Integrated.1		Model: BRCM 2P 25G SFP 57414S OCP NIC, SeNr: , PartNr: 024FG6	
ок	Physical port NIC.Embedded.1-1-1	=	Link: LinkDown, Speed: 0Mbps, MAC: C4:CB:E1:B9:3F:48	
ок	Physical port NIC.Integrated.1-1-1		Link: LinkUp, Speed: 10000Mbps, MAC: 04:32:01:1A:06:E0	

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#### **Dell iDRAC7**

ок	Power supply 0-PS1 Status	≡ <u>~</u>	414.5 Watts input, 385.5 Watts output, 204.0 V input, Capacity 1400.0 Watts, Typ PWR SPLY,1400W,RDNT,LTON	414.5 Watt / 385.5 Watt
ок	Power supply 1-PS2 Status	$\equiv \underline{}$	5.0 Watts input, 0.0 Watts output, 204.0 V input, Capacity 1400.0 Watts, Typ PWR SPLY,1400W,RDNT,LTON	5 Watt / 0 Watt
ок	Storage controller AHCI.Embedded.1-1	$\equiv$	Type: Sapphire Rapids SATA AHCI Controller, RaidLevels: , DeviceProtocols:	
ок	Storage controller AHCI.Embedded.2-1	=	Type: Sapphire Rapids SATA AHCI Controller, RaidLevels: , DeviceProtocols:	
ок	Storage controller RAID.Slot.3-1	=	Type: PERC H755 Adapter, RaidLevels: RAID0,RAID1,RAID5,RAID6,RAID10,RAID50,RAID60, DeviceProtocols: SAS,SATA,NVMe	
ок	System state	=	System with SerialNr: MXXXXXXXXX, has State: Component State: Normal, Rollup State: Normal, This resource is enabled.	
ок	Temperature CPU1 Temp	≡ <u>~</u>	Temperature: 49.0 °C	49 °C
ок	Temperature System Board Exhaust Temp	≡ <u>~</u>	Temperature: 41.0 °C	41 °C
ок	Voltage CPU1 VCCD VR	≡ <u></u>	Location: CPU, SensorNr: 52, Value: 1.1 V	1.13 V
ок	Voltage PS2 Voltage 2	≡ <u></u>	Location: PowerSupply, SensorNr: 110, Value: 204.0 V	204 V
ок	Volume Disk.Virtual.238:RAID.Slot.3-1	$\equiv$	Raid Type: RAID6, Size: 186265.0GB	
ок	Volume Disk.Virtual.239:RAID.Slot.3-1	=	Raid Type: RAID1, Size: 1117.2GB	

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HPE	iLO6				
ок	CPU 1	=	Type: CPU, Model: AMD EPYC 9: 32, Threads: 64, Speed maximum		
ок	CPU 2	<u>=</u>	Type: CPU, Model: AMD EPYC 9	374F 32-0	Core Processor , Cores:
ок	Drive 0-1.92TB 16G NVMe SSD	ок	Physical port DE07A000	≡	Link: LinkUp, Speed: 10000Mbps, MAC: 30:3e:a7:xx:8c:4
ок	Drive 0-3.2TB 16G NVMe SSD	ок	Physical port DE080000	=	Link: LinkUp, Speed: 25000Mbps, MAC: 30:3e:a7:xx:a4:3
ок	Drive 1-1.92TB 16G NVMe	ок	Power supply 1- HpeServerPowerSupply	≡≝	0.0 Watts input, 229.0 Watts output, 228.0 V input, Capac Watts, Typ P38997-B21
ок	SSD Fan 1	ок	Power supply 0- HpeServerPowerSupply	≡ <u>≃</u>	0.0 Watts input, 209.0 Watts output, 229.0 V input, Capac Watts, Typ P38997-B21
ок	Fan 2	ок	Storage controller DA00000A	≡	Type: Embedded SATA Controller #1, RaidLevels: , Device SATA
ок	Memory proc1dimm1	ок	Storage controller DA000015	=	Type: Embedded SATA Controller #2, RaidLevels: , Device SATA
ок	Memory proc1dimm2	ок	Storage controller DE045000	=	Everything looks OK - 1 detail available
ок	Memory proc1dimm3	ок	Storage controller DE044000	=	Everything looks OK - 1 detail available
ок	Memory Summary	ок	System state	=	System with SerialNr: CZ2331034R, has State: Compone Normal, Rollup State: Normal, This resource is enabled.
ок	Network adapter DE07A000	ок	Temperature 01-Inlet Ambient	≡≝	Temperature: 28.0 °C
ок	Network adapter DE080000	ок	Temperature 06-P1 DIMM 7-12	=~	Temperature: 43.0 °C

## Modus operandi for Checkmk 2.3 and outlook



#### Checkmk 2.3: available as built-in MKP

'Experimental' feature

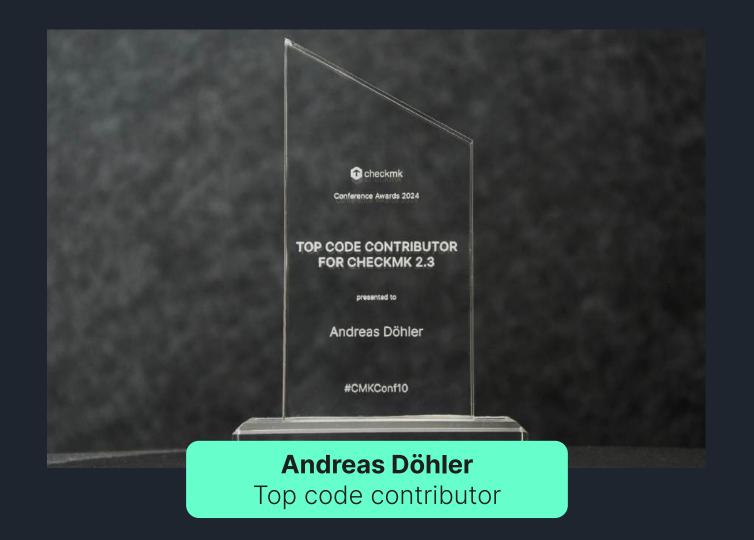
- Proven by many users, but further feedback required for 'generic' solution
- Current mode allows Andreas to react quickly
  - Mainlining limits larger changes as incompatibilities need to be minimal
- Feedback (create issues) & updates (download MKPs) via <a href="https://github.com/Yogibaer75/Check\_MK-Things">https://github.com/Yogibaer75/Check\_MK-Things</a>

Checkmk 2.4: native support

'Stable' feature

Will be mainlined for 2.4 and maintained then by Checkmk GmbH





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#### **NetApp ONTAP monitoring**

Drop-in replacement for existing monitoring

- Previous NetApp via WebAPI monitoring based on ONTAPI (ZAPI)
  - ONTAPI not enabled by default anymore
  - NetApp planned removal for early 2024
- New NetApp via Ontap REST API monitoring based on NetApp ONTAP
  - Same check plug-ins as before
  - Future-proof

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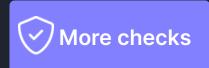
- Built on REST API v2
- Everything works properly (views, filters, dropdowns)
- Many usability / error message fixes
- Better performance
  - Re-architecture to handle long API calls (incl. implementation of pagination)



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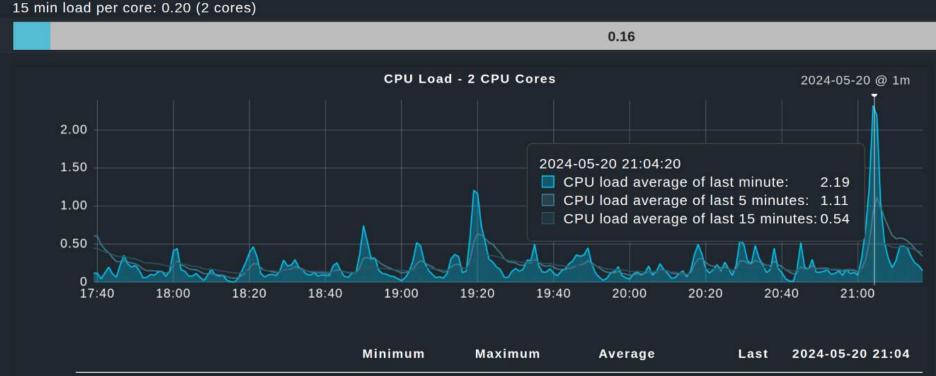
check\_mail: enable EWS and OAuth2 for Microsoft Mail monitoring\* CPU load: alert on 1 & 5-min average (before: only 15-min average)





Example for improved configuration

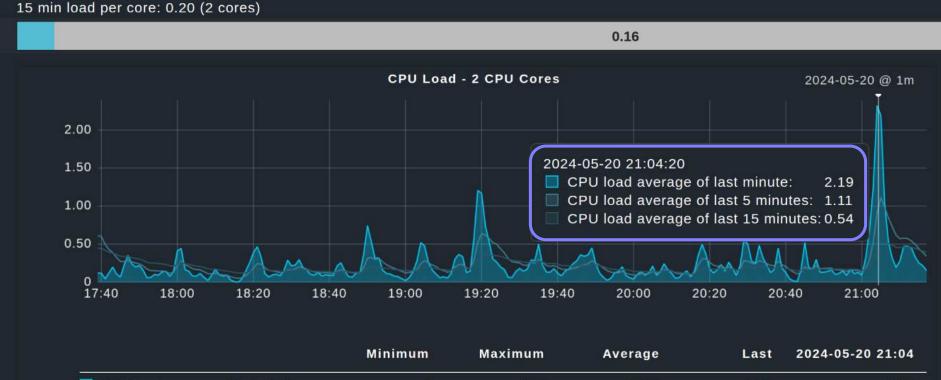
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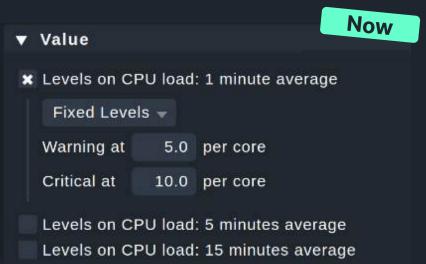
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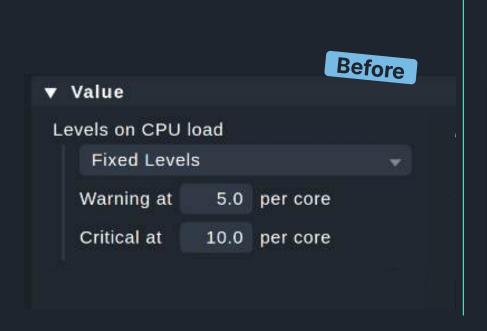
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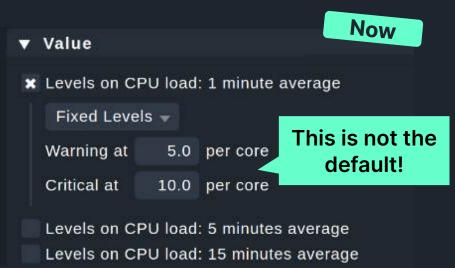






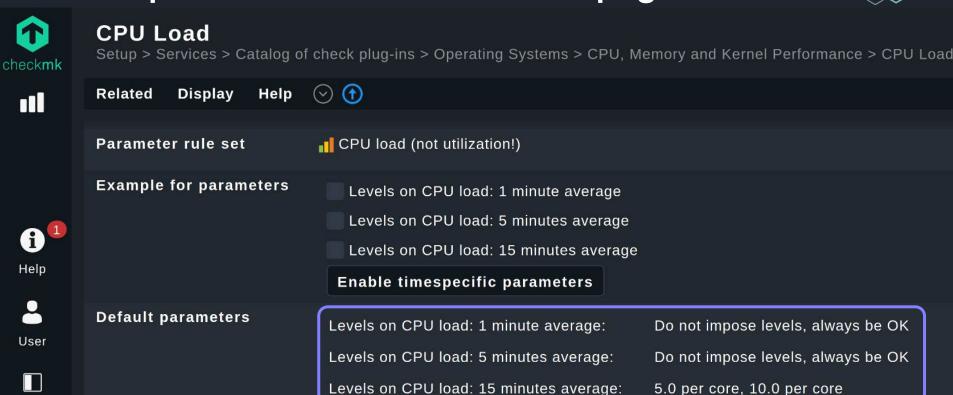
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## Default parameters included in manpage now









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new systems





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improvements





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fixes





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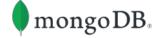










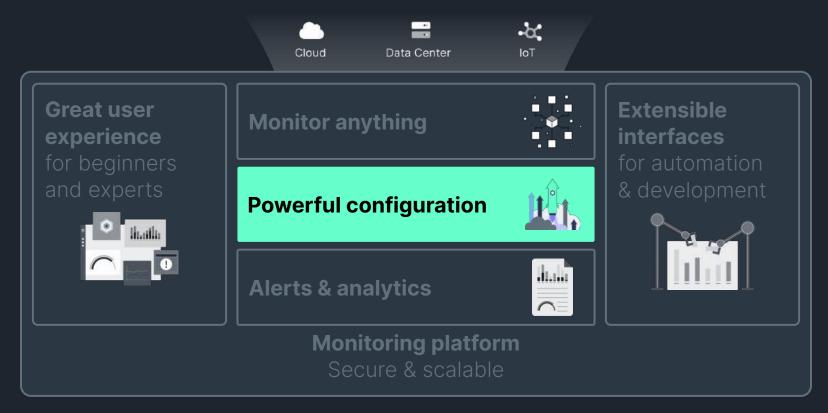






#### Our focus for Checkmk 2.3







# Host labels for 'all' operating systems



Label key	Description	Example values
cmk/os_type	Broad OS type category	windows linux unix
cmk/os_platform	Specific OS family	debian ubuntu
cmk/os_name	The name of the OS	Ubuntu AIX Microsoft Windows 10 Pro
cmk/os_version	The version of the operating system	22.04 10.0.19045

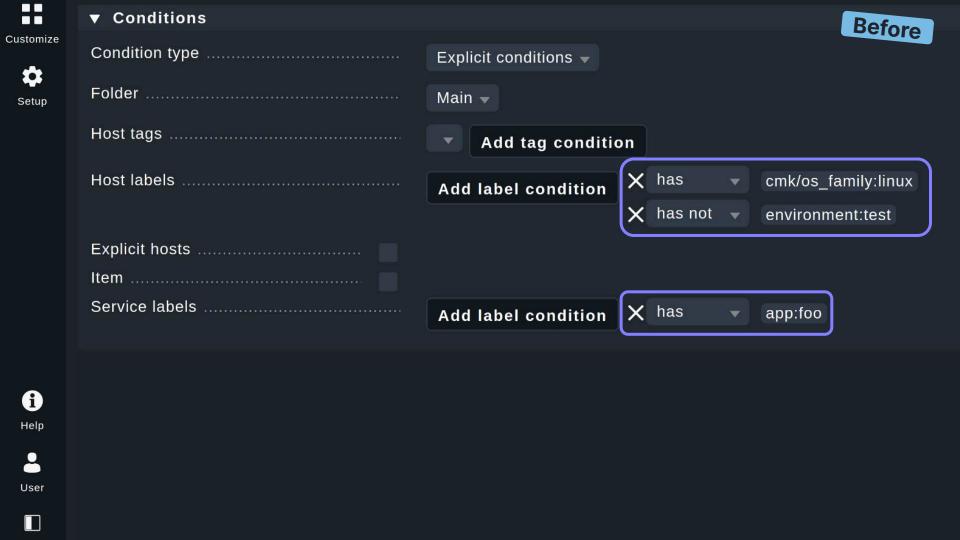


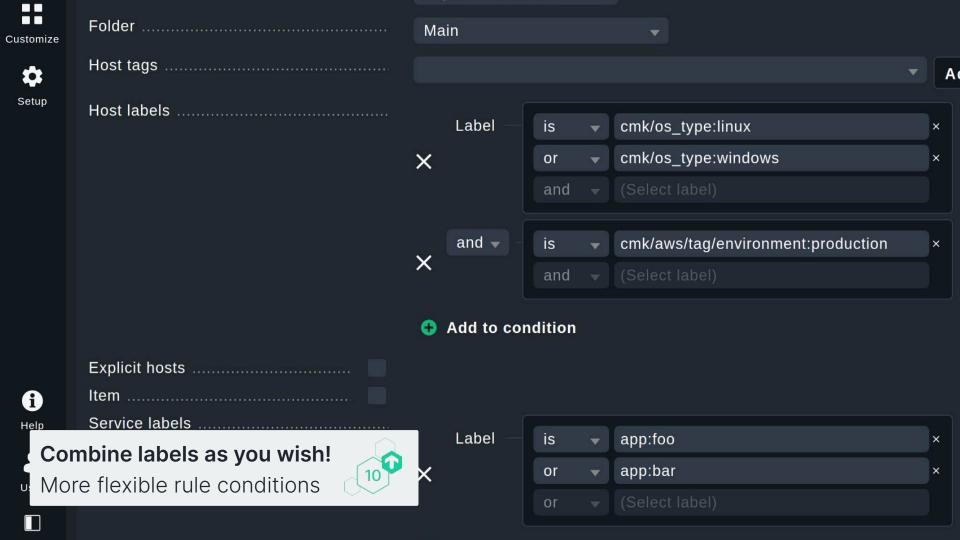
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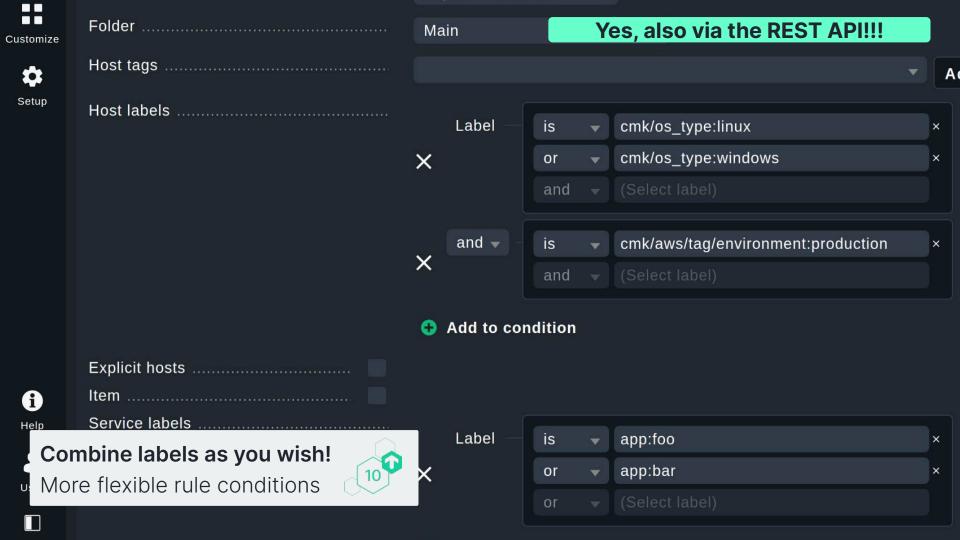


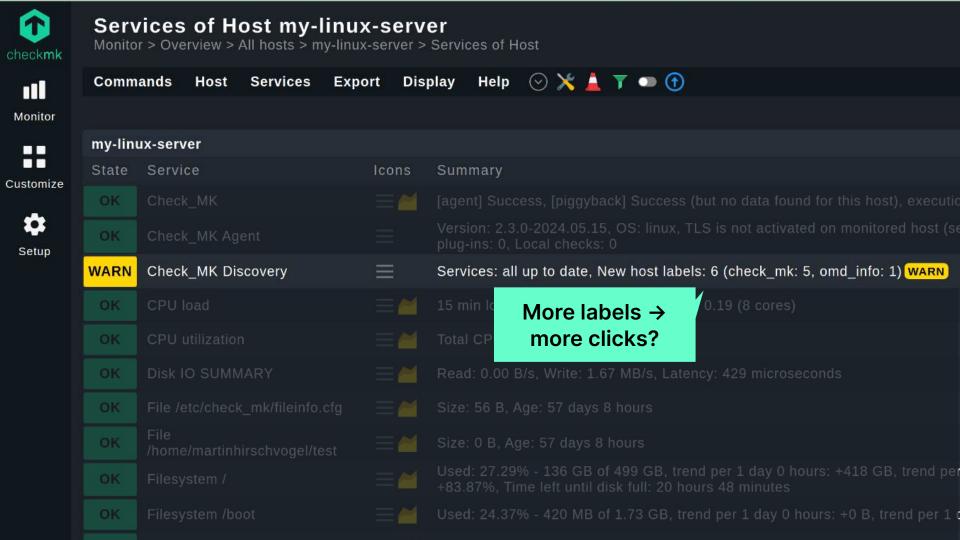
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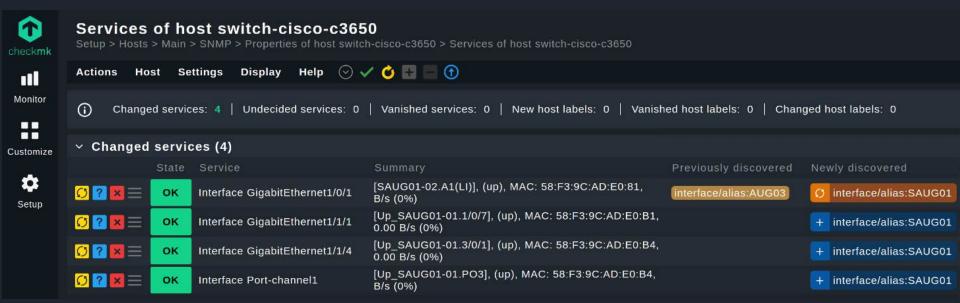
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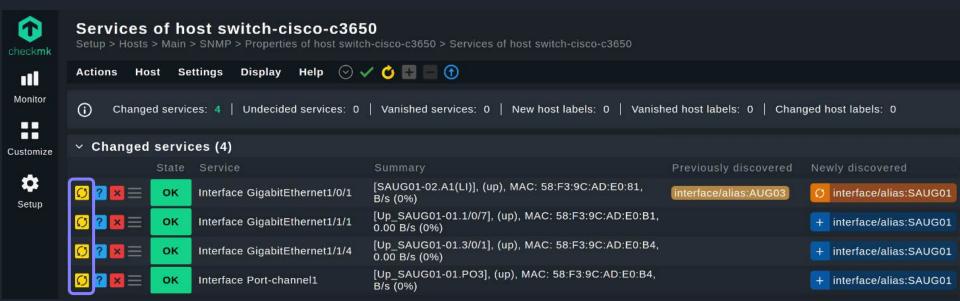


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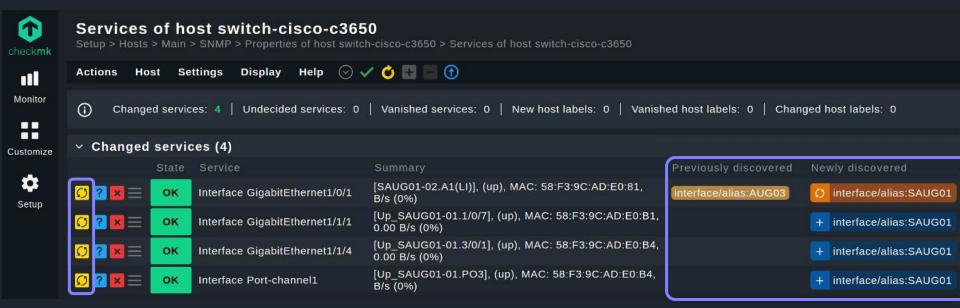


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#### More transparent service discovery: 2)



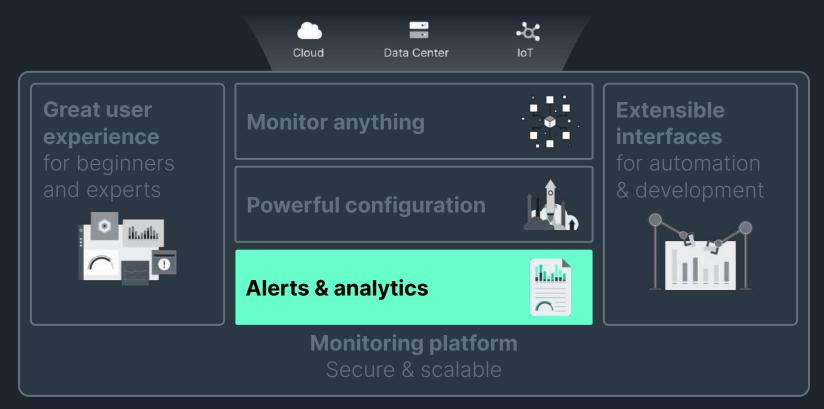


Problems with 1 datasource detected

CRIT [agent]: Communication failed: timed out CRIT

## Our focus for Checkmk 2.3





#### Insights in large environments with Top lists



Top 10: CPU util	Bottom 10: Used space %					
Host	CPU utilization	Host	Service	Used space %		
server-linux-diskstat-3	29.43%	server-linux-docker-3	Filesystem /	6.84%		
localhost	27.75%	server-linux-ipmi-3	Filesystem /	7.82%		
server-linux-veritas-3	23.19%	server-linux-multipath-3	Filesystem /	17.98%		
server-linux-mysql-3	13.82%	server-linux-heartbeat-3	Filesystem /	26.26%		
server-linux-job-3	12.95%	server-linux-13	Filesystem /	26.51%		
server-linux-heartbeat-3	12.91%	localhost	Filesystem /	28.32%		
server-linux-oracle-3	7.65%	server-linux-multipath-30	Filesystem /	31.67%		
server-linux-oracle-13	6.67%	server-linux-job-3	Filesystem /	34.4%		
server-linux-web-3	4.44%	server-linux-diskstat-3	Filesystem /	36.14%		
server-linux-13	2.21%	server-linux-oracle-3	Filesystem /	36.69%		



# Available as easily configurable dashlets



#### Top lists dashlet

- Rank any metric
- Add to dashboards easily
- Filter via flexible host and service filters
- Find the right metric with helper functions
- Simple configuration
- Quick loading time, even in large environments

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Add element: Top list Monitor > Other > Top consumers > Add ele	ment: Top list				
Element Display Help 📀 🤡 🕦					
∨ Context / Search Filters					
Host		▼ Add filter			
Service		Add filter			
∨ Properties					
Metric	CPU utilization	x 🔻			
	Filter metric selection by host name: (Select hostname)				
	Filter metric selection by service: (S	elect service)			
Columns	Show service description  Show bar visualization				
Data range	Automatically adjusted to available	data 🔻			
Ranking order	Top (highest) N →				
Limit to	10 entries (max. 50)				

# Powered by new livestatus functionality



## Enable Top lists and much more in the future

#### **New OrderBy header**

```
$ lq 'GET hosts\nColumns: name\nOrderBy: name asc'
ahost
bhost
...
```

```
$ lq 'GET hosts\nColumns: name\nOrderBy: name\nLimit: 1'
ahost
```



# Powered by new livestatus functionality



## Enable Top lists and much more in the future

#### New column performance\_data

```
OMD[heute]:~$ lq << EOF
> GET services
> Columns: description performance_data
> Filter: description = CPU load
> OutputFormat: python
> EOF
[["CPU load", {"load1":0.62, "load5":0.64, "load15":1.13}]]
```



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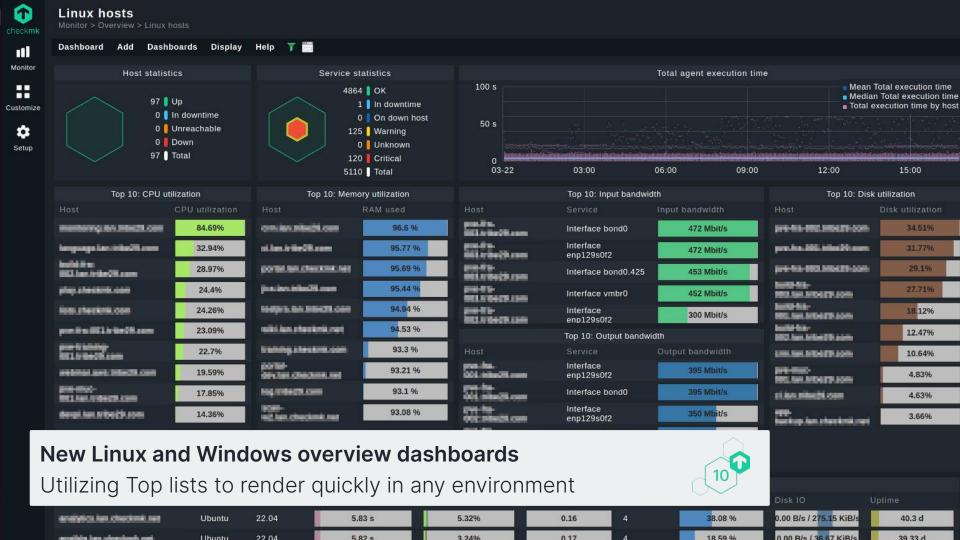


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Combination of new column performance\_data and OrderBy header

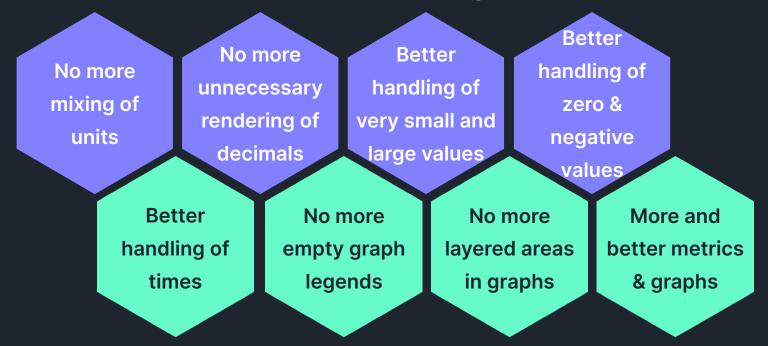
```
$ lq << EOF
GET services
Columns: host_name description performance_data
OrderBy: performance_data.user_time
EOF
...</pre>
```





# **Quality of Life improvements for graphs**







# Quality of Life improvements for graphs



Better No more Better handling of No more handling of unnecessary mixing of zero & rendering of very small and units negative decimals large values values No more No more More and Better handling of empty graph layered areas better metrics times legends in graphs & graphs



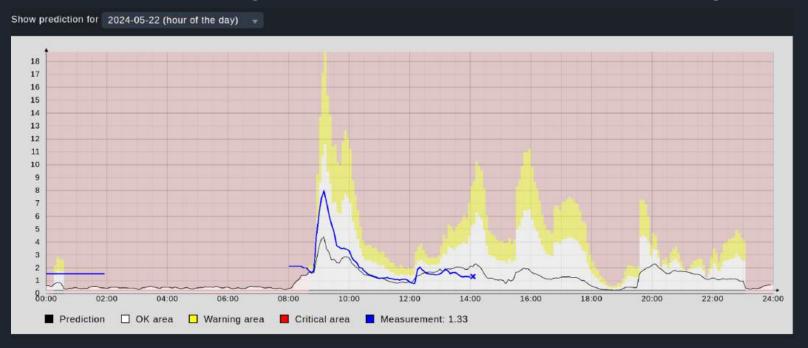
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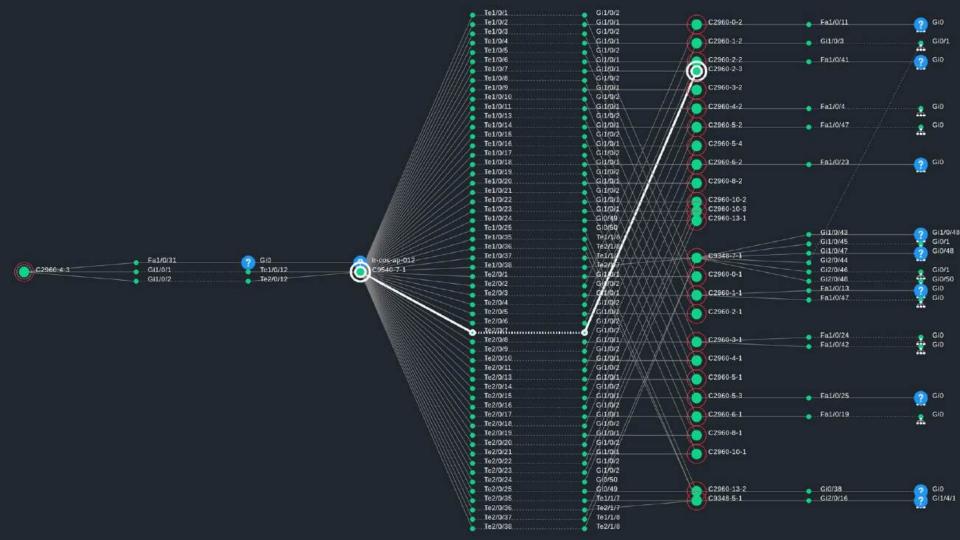
# Machine-learning based predictive monitoring





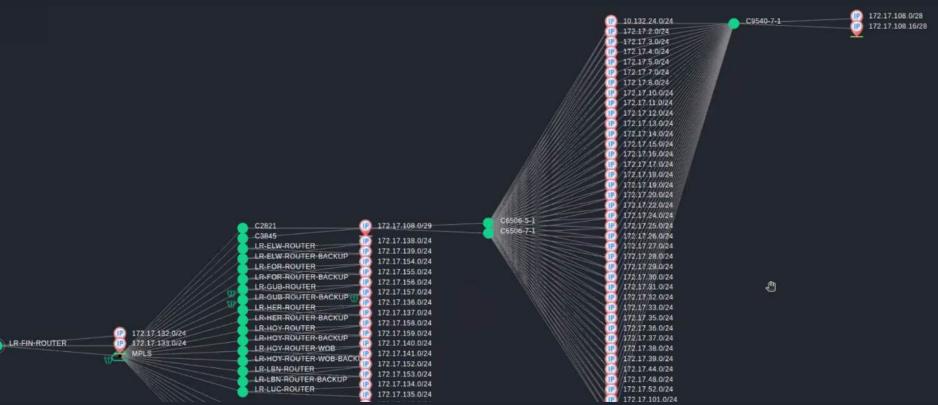
- Prediction graphs of remote sites can be viewed on central site
- Several Quality of Life improvements, e.g. more robust predictions, better UI





## This looks cool...

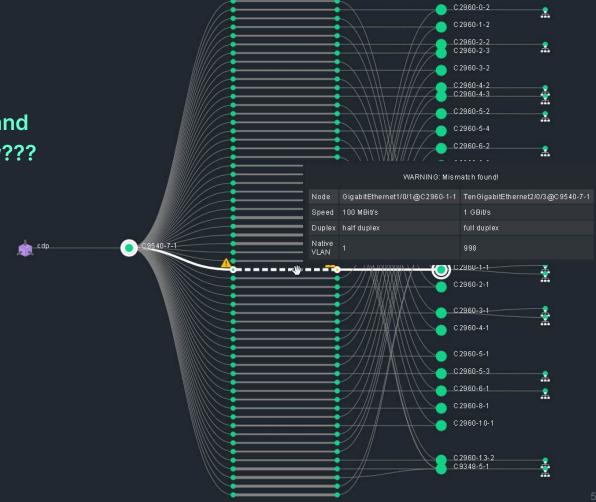






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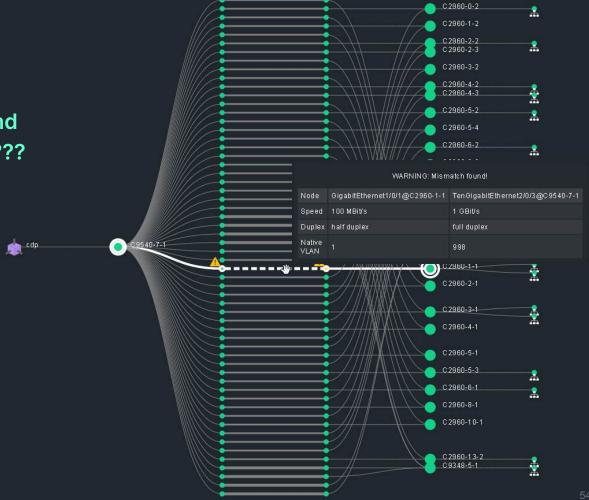




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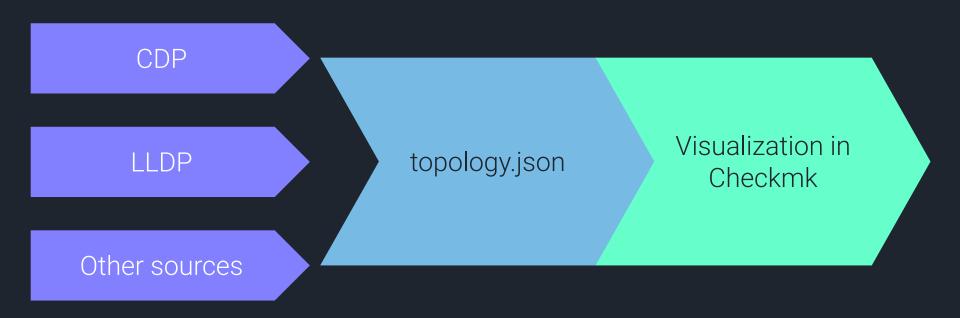
Kind of ...





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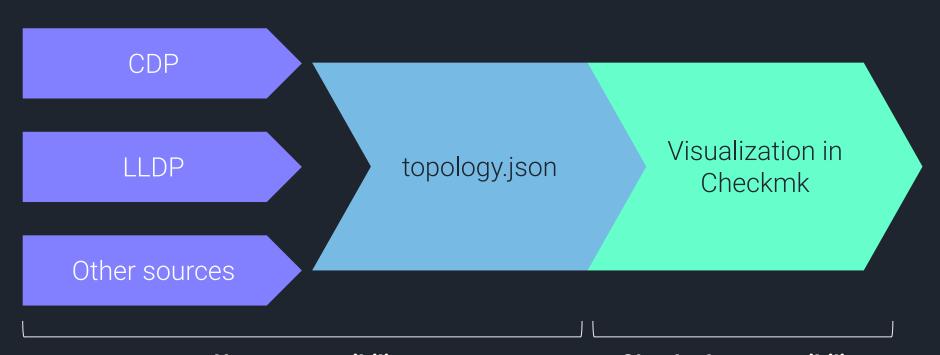






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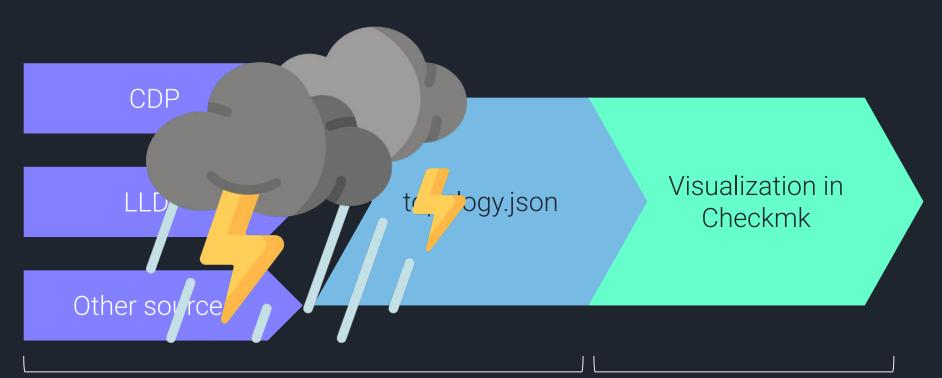




**Checkmk responsibility** 

# We provide a powerful backend for visualizations





**User responsibility** 

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## Network Visualization data creation (or how to get the Network Visualization working) 🖋

Checkmk Exchange



thl-cmk Code Contributor



3 Oct 20, 2023

@schnetz wrote in Network Visualization 10



**Network Visualization** 

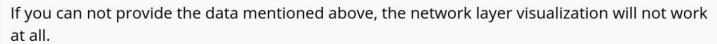


Where does the information of the connections come from? Its up to you to provide this information via a json file - and it will be in the foreseeable future.

and



**Network Visualization** 



Maybe there is a solution now. With my network visualization data creation plugin you can create the required network\_data.json file from your Checkmk

## The solution for data creation



Network Visualization Data Creation Tool by thl-cmk 🚾



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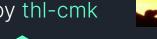


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Create Layer 2 (CDP/LLDP) topology





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Create Layer 3 (IPv4) topology





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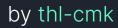
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Highlight connection issues (speed, duplex/half duplex, native VLAN)











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Custom connections (STATIC) for data that is not in Checkmk



## Plugin(s) for data collection

Components of Network Visualization Data Creation Tool by thl-cmk



Automatic population of **HW/ SW inventory** with data

#### Requires

CDP cache plugin
LLDP cache plugin

IPv4 address plugin

<u>Interface name plugin</u>

HW/SW inventory

Host labels



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Net	working 🚡									
	Total interfaces 20									
	Ports 10									
	Ports available 8									
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	169.254.202.200	Tu2	02	IPv4			24 255.255.2	55.0	169.25	4.202.0
	172.20.200.254	Gi0.	2200	IPv4			24 255.255.2	55.0	172.20	.200.0
	172.20.201.254	Gi0.	2201	IPv4			24 255,255,2	55.0	172.20	.201.0
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# Plugin(s) for network data collection and analysis

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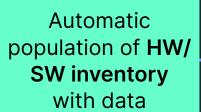
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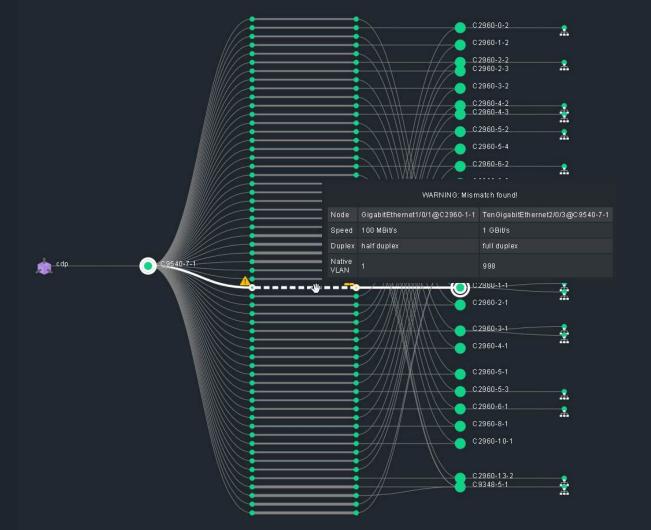
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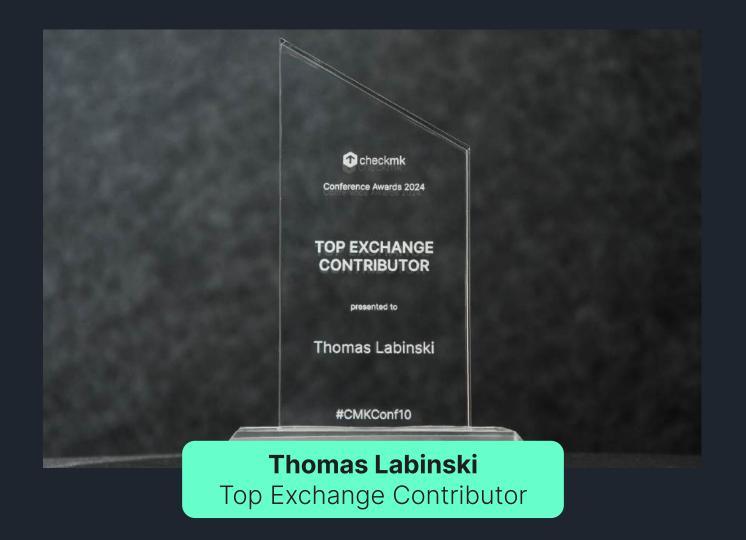
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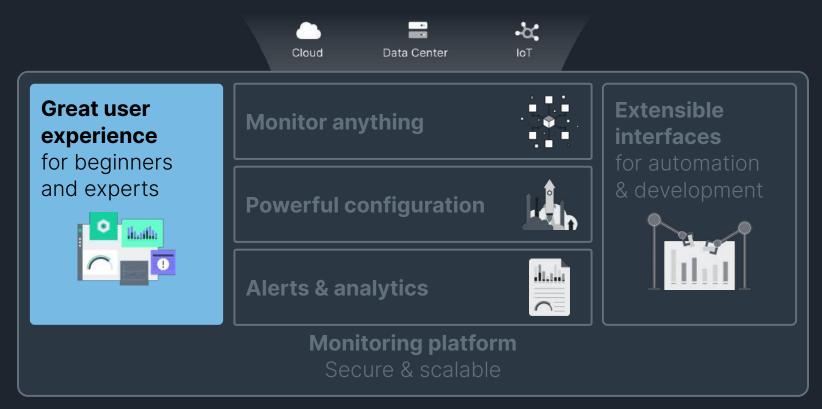






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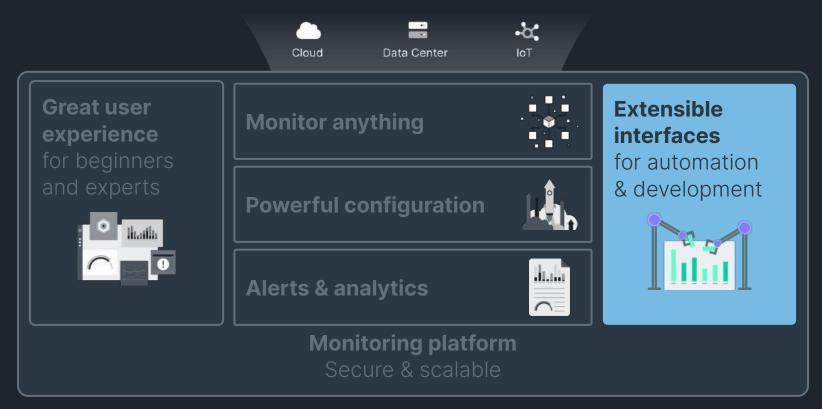
**New in 2.3: Improved UX** 

17:15 - 18:00 Tanja Hohenstatt (UX Designer, Checkmk)



## Our focus for Checkmk 2.3







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## **Extended and reworked REST API**



#### **New API endpoints**

- Notification rules (5x)
- Dynamic configuration (3x)
- Audit logs (2x)
- Activate changes: show all pending changes<sup>1)</sup>
- Downtimes: modify scheduled downtime
- Rules: modify rule (preserving it)<sup>2)</sup>



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#### **Improvements**

- Better handling of custom attributes for users and hosts
- Handling of distributed environments
- Uniqueness of operations
- Edition and version are exposed via HTTP headers<sup>2)</sup>
- Last seen for the REST API usage
- Better documentation

## **Checkmk goes Ansible**

Global Community checkmk-raw, checkmk-enterprise, ansible



#### robin.gierse Checkmk Consultant

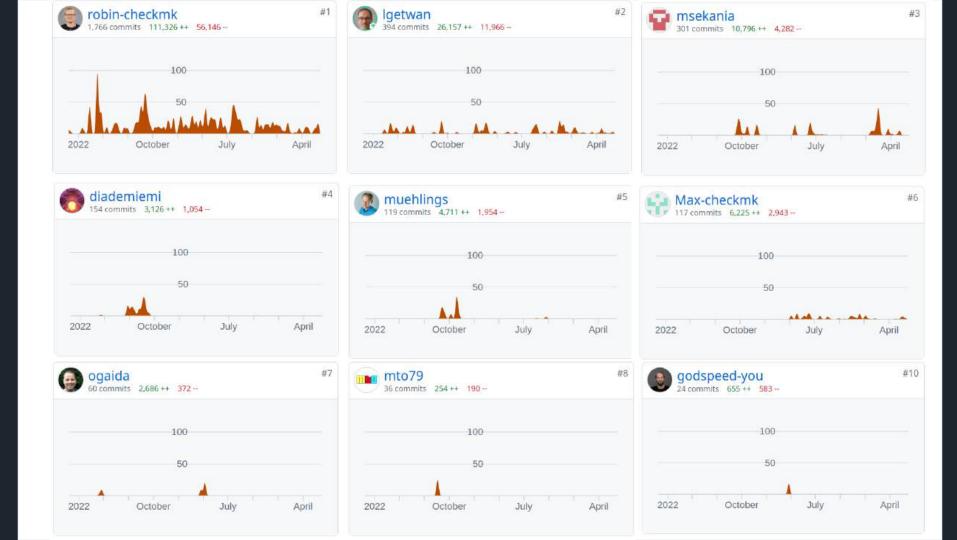
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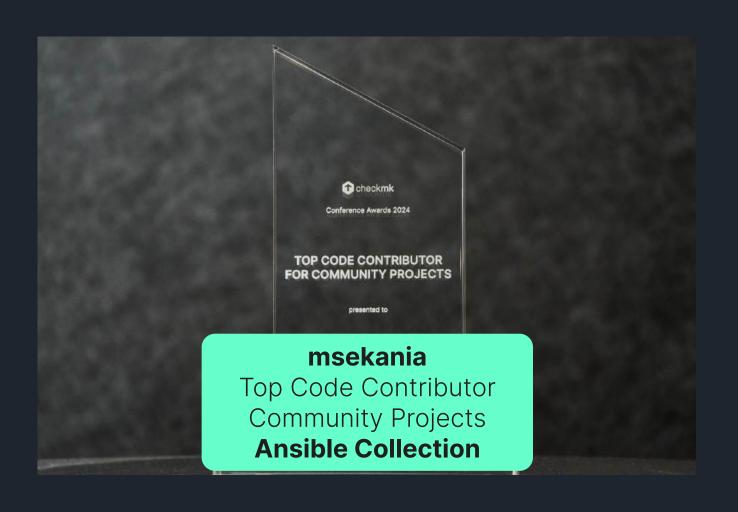
So this one took a while. X

Announcing the Ansible Collection version 5.0.0!

As you can tell from the version number: This is a breaking release, so let me start by outlining the breaking changes:

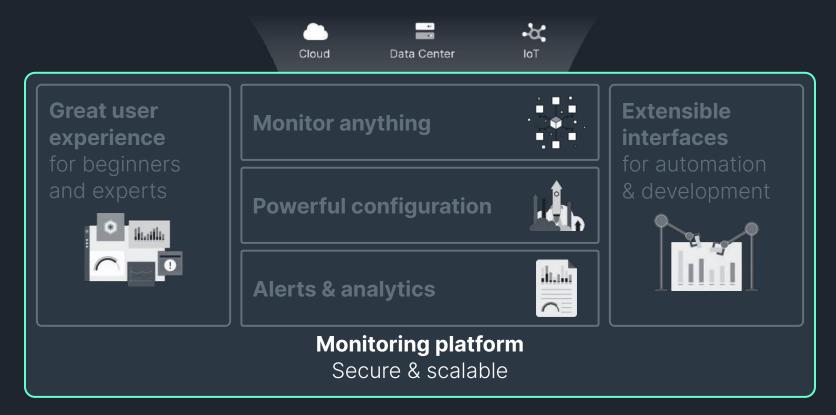
- The lookup\_folder plugin now returns the full folder object, including the title and not only
  the attributes. To keep the current behavior in your playbooks, you want to use {{
   my\_lookup\_result.extensions }} instead of {{ my\_lookup\_result }}.
- The agent role had an internal variable checkmk\_agent\_server\_ip which is now checkmk\_agent\_server\_ips and is used differently. It just came to my attention, that users might consider this breaking, so I am mentioning it here.
- Additionally, some changes listed below are quite significant, and although we could not detect any issues, we want to be safe and make you aware to pay hightened attention when rolling out this release.





## Our focus for Checkmk 2.3







## **Two-Factor Authentication**



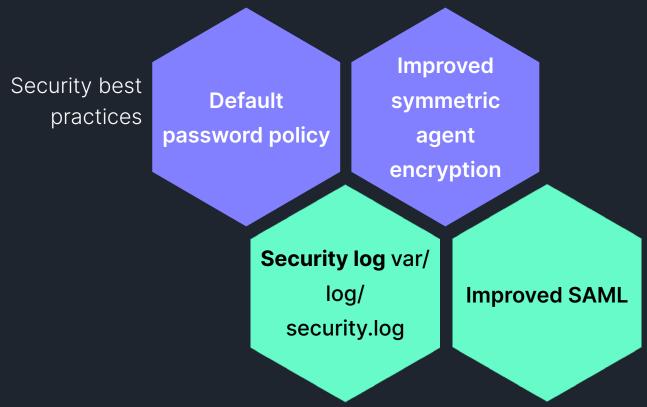
Authenticator app support + overall better user experience

Two-factor authentication  Enter the six-digit code from your authenticator app to log in.  Two-factor code:		ık
app to log in. Two-factor code:	Two-factor authentication	
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Submit		Submit



## Security improvements: bits & pieces





## **Effective performance boosts for the UI (I/II)**



#### Faster loading of host / service views

'Add to report / dashboard' reworked

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- Now: only loading on-demand
  - Not as 'cool', but much faster in large setups!

Checkmk Conference



## **Effective performance boosts for the UI (II/II)**

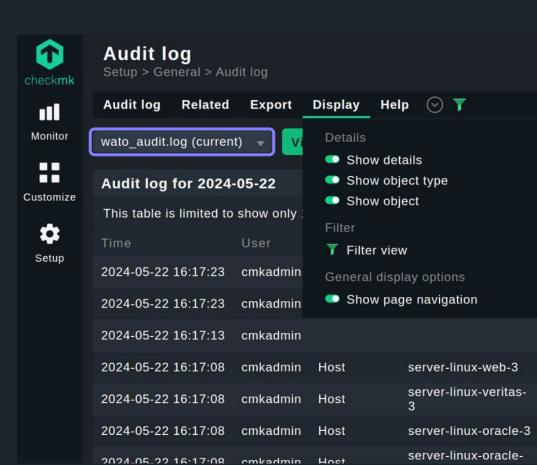


## Faster loading of audit log

'Audit log' reworked

- Audit log rotation for files >300MB
  - Included in update mechanic
- Redesign of audit log page
  - Selector for audit log
  - Option to toggle columns
- Audit logs in large environments can be viewed MUCH faster





# Performance boosts for distributed setups



## Activate changes



#### Very large distributed setups

Improved parallelization

→ More sites can perform activation at same time



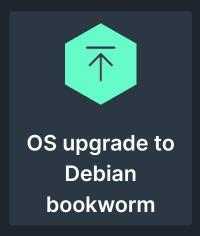
#### **Checkmk MSP**

Additional caching and improved storage of intermediate results

→ Preparation phase for distributing changes to remote sites faster













OS upgrade to Debian bookworm



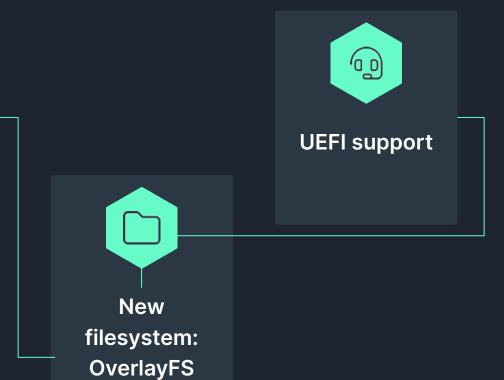
filesystem: OverlayFS







OS upgrade to Debian bookworm



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OS upgrade to Debian bookworm



filesystem:

**OverlayFS** 

Boot loader upgrade (GRUB 2)

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```
10/26 Rulesets...
   + "Rulesets" failed
  Traceback (most recent call last):
    File "/omd/sites/oldstable/lib/python3/cmk/update_config/main.py", line 223, in __call__
      action(self._logger, self.update_state.setdefault(action.name))
    File "/omd/sites/oldstable/lib/python3/cmk/gui/watolib/rulespecs.py", line 878, in _rulespec_va
      parameter vs = wrap valuespec in timeperiod valuespec(self. parameter valuespec())
                                                            ^^^^^
    File "<string>", line 35, in _parameter_valuespec_perfcalc
  NameError: name 'ListOf' is not defined
  11/26 Autochecks...
  12/26 Remove unused host attributes....
 13/26 Convert persisted sections...
- 14/26 Cleanup version specific caches...
   15/26 Background jobs...
   16/26 Extract remote sites CAs...
-| 17/26 Add a rule_id to each notification rule...
   18/26 Change absolute paths in registered hosts symlinks to relative...
 19/26 Synchronize automationuser secrets...
-| 20/26 Remove old custom logos...
- 21/26 Check for incompatible password hashes...
- 22/26 Update licensing folders or settings...
-| 23/26 Transform spool files...
-| 24/26 Update backup config...
-| 25/26 Event Console: Rewrite active config...
-| 26/26 Update Agent Bakery...
-| Done (with errors)
ERROR (exit code: 1)
```

## Improved pre-flight check for update



#### Already in 2.2

Basic pre-flight check, but during (partially irreversible) site update

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Proper pre-flight check Site updates now only happen after 'completed verifying site configuration'

⇒ Reversible abort

```
2024-05-23 12:41:58 - Updating site 'test' from version 2.2.0p25.cee to 2.3.0-2024.05.20.cee
 * Installed dir etc/default
 Installed file etc/default/cmc
 * Updated
                 etc/init.d/cmc
 * Updated
                 etc/init.d/apache
 * Updated
                 etc/init.d/redis
 * Installed dir local/lib/python3/cmk_addons
 Installed dir local/lib/python3/cmk/plugins
 Installed dir local/lib/python3/cmk_addons/plugins
 * Vanished
                 etc/cron.d/cmk discovery
Creating temporary filesystem /omd/sites/test/tmp...OK
ATTENTION
 Some steps may take a long time depending on your installation.
 Please be patient.
Cleanup precompiled host and folder files
Verifying Checkmk configuration...
01/06 Legacy check plugins...
02/06 Rulesets...
 03/06 UI extensions...
04/06 Agent based plugins...
05/06 Autochecks...
06/06 Deprecated .mk configuration of plugins...
Done (success)
Completed verifying site configuration. Your site now has version 2.3.0-2024.05.20.cee.
```

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```
2024-05-23 13:06:00 - Updating site 'stable' from version 2.3.0-2024.05.20.cee to 2.3.0-202
Creating temporary filesystem /omd/sites/stable/tmp...OK
ATTENTION
  Some steps may take a long time depending on your installation.
 Please be patient.
Cleanup precompiled host and folder files
Verifying Checkmk configuration...
01/06 Legacy check plugins...
02/06 Rulesets...
ERROR: Failed to load Ruleset: static_checks:perfcalc. There is likely an error in the impl
This is the exception:
Traceback (most recent call last):
  File "/omd/sites/stable/lib/python3/cmk/update_config/plugins/pre_actions/rulesets.py", l
    ruleset.valuespec()
 File "/omd/sites/stable/local/share/check_mk/web/plugins/wato/perfcalc.py", line 35, in _
    ('list', ListOf(
NameError: name 'listOf' is not defined
You can abort the update process (A) or continue (c) the update. Abort update? [A/c]
```

Update aborted with Error: broken ruleset.

The update can be retried after the error has been fixed.

Your site has not been modified.

## Let's go!



### Further reading materials

Features overview <a href="https://checkmk.com/product/latest-version">https://checkmk.com/product/latest-version</a>

2.3 blog collection <a href="https://checkmk.com/blog/discover-">https://checkmk.com/blog/discover-</a>

checkmk-23

1250+ werks in 2.3.0 <a href="https://checkmk.com/werks">https://checkmk.com/werks</a>

Release notes <a href="https://docs.checkmk.com/2.3.0/en/">https://docs.checkmk.com/2.3.0/en/</a>

release\_notes.html

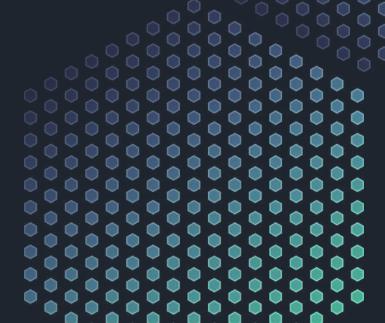
Update guide <a href="https://docs.checkmk.com/2.3.0/en/">https://docs.checkmk.com/2.3.0/en/</a>

update\_major.html

Forum announcements <a href="https://forum.checkmk.com/c/announcements/">https://forum.checkmk.com/c/announcements/</a>



# One more thing

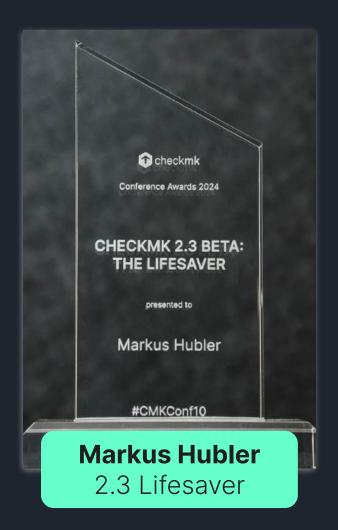


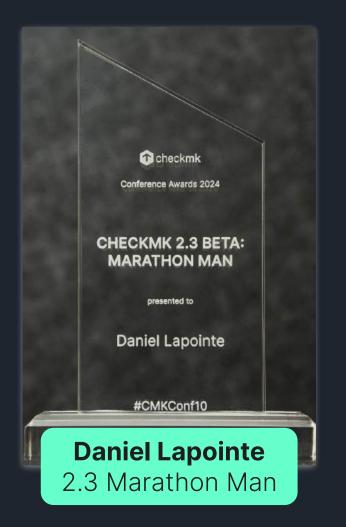


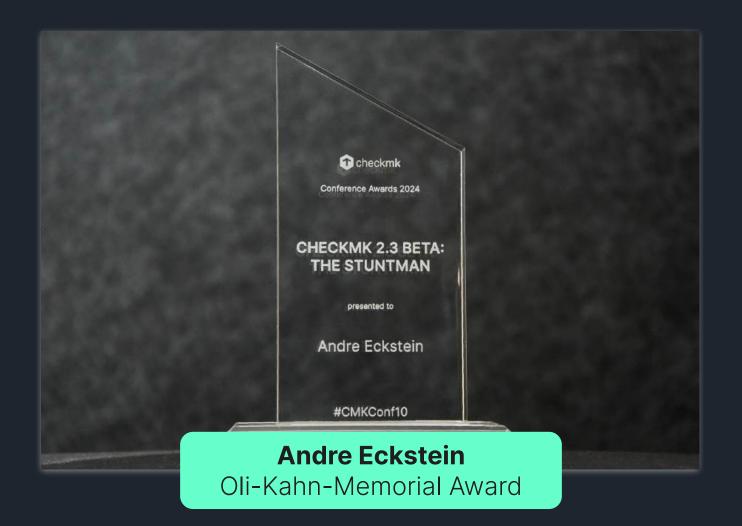


















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