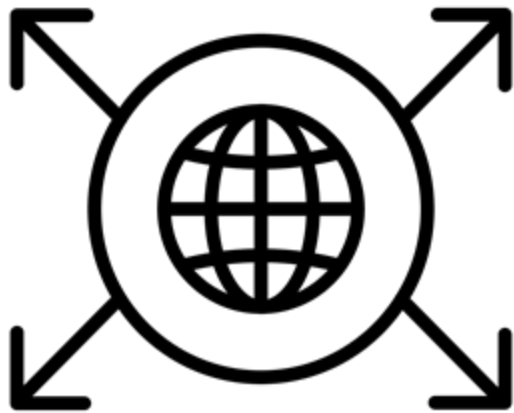




Collect Service: Introducing a New Ingest Model



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Turning Real-time Data Into Action is Hard

Increasing Data Velocity

Various Systems

Numerous Data Sources

Multiple Users

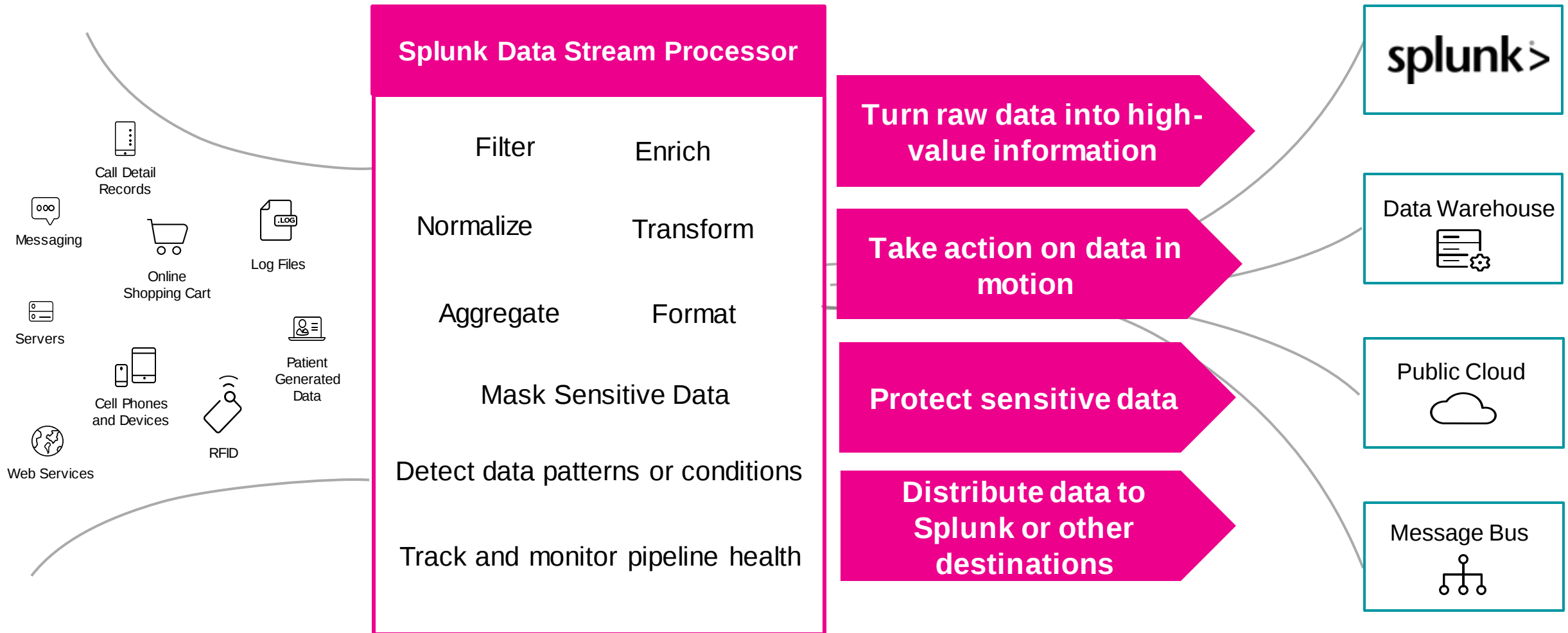
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Increasing Data Volumes



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Splunk Data Stream Processor





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Get started

Files and Directories



Upload a file or index a local file or monitor an entire directory

HTTP Event Collector



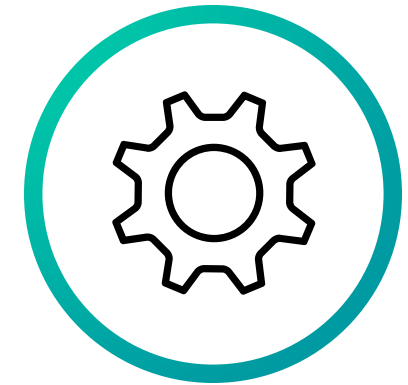
Configure tokens that clients can use to send data over HTTP or HTTPS

TCP/UDP



Configure the Splunk platform to listen on a network port

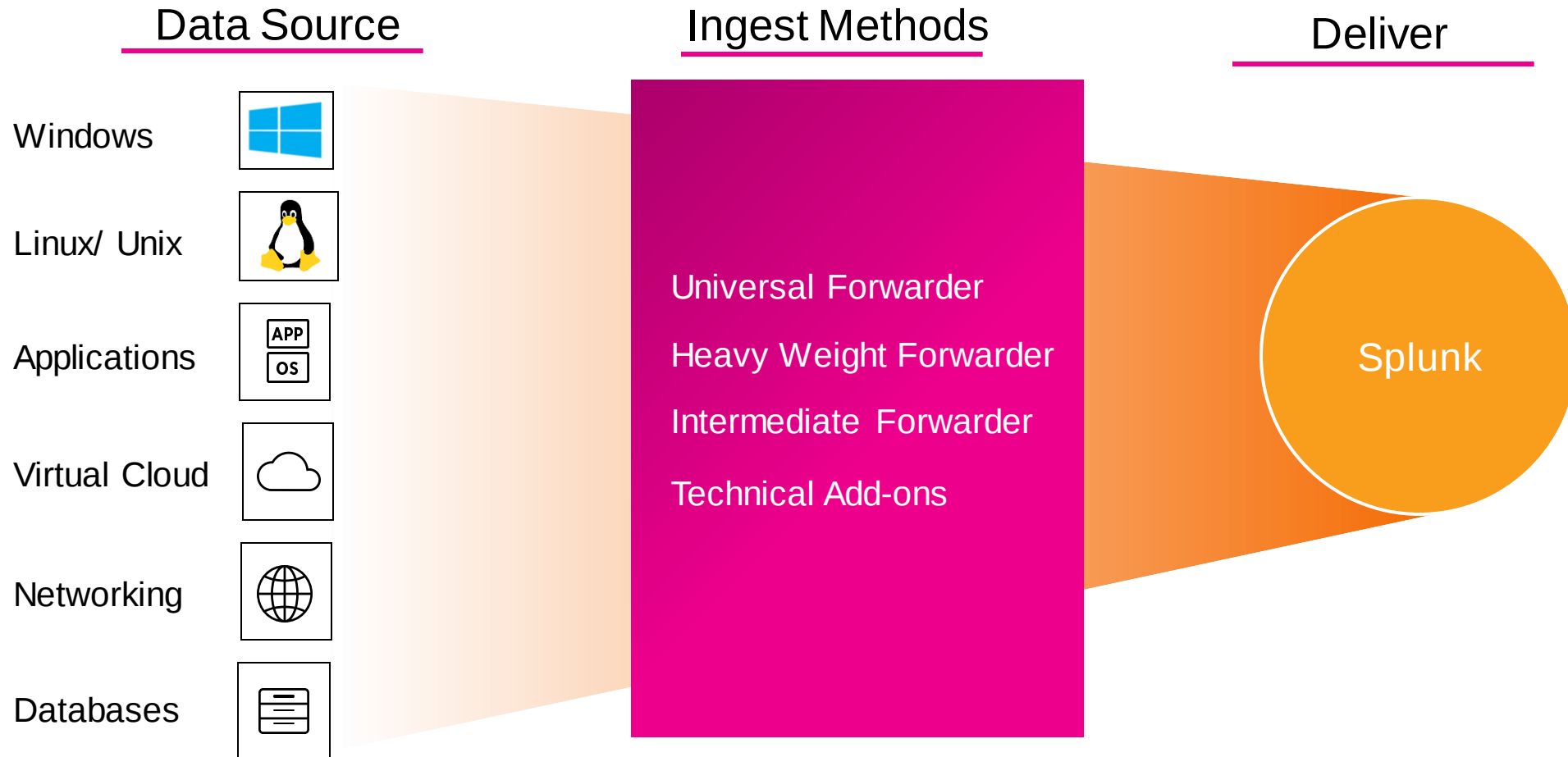
Scripts or modular inputs



Get data from any API, or database with a script

Get Data into Splunk

Current Tool Kit





Get data into Splunk

DSP Ingest Methods

Get Data into Splunk

Data Stream Processor – Ingest Methods

- Upload a file
- Ingest API
- Forwarder Service
- Message bus



Use-case

Persona : IT admin



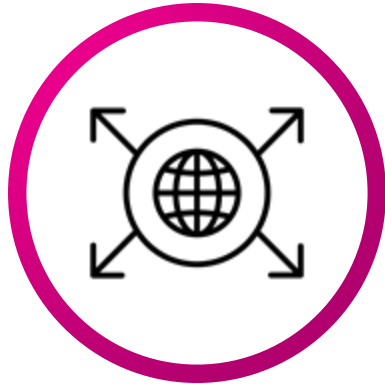
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I want to Monitor Infrastructure Performance

- Deployed across multiple regions
- Approx. ~50 different services
- Collect metrics for individual services
- Amazon CloudWatch Metrics
- Metrics pulled over very recent time windows, say the last 30 or 60 min

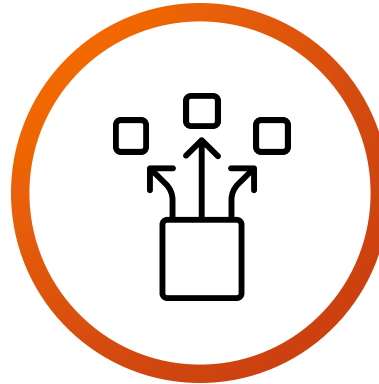
3 Key Infrastructure Adaptability Requirements

Scalability



- Can the system scale automatically?
- Can it scale to collect data from multiple regions?
- Can I scale up & down?
- Can I manage multiple jobs within a specific time interval?

High Availability



- Can I have maximum resiliency to meet my business continuity needs?
- Can it recover automatically without manual intervention?

Performance



- How fast can I collect the metrics?
- What throughput will I get?
- Can I collect metrics for recent time window, say the last 30 or 60 min?

Get Data into Splunk

Data Stream Processor – Ingest Methods

- Upload a file
- Ingest API
- Forwarder Service
- Message bus



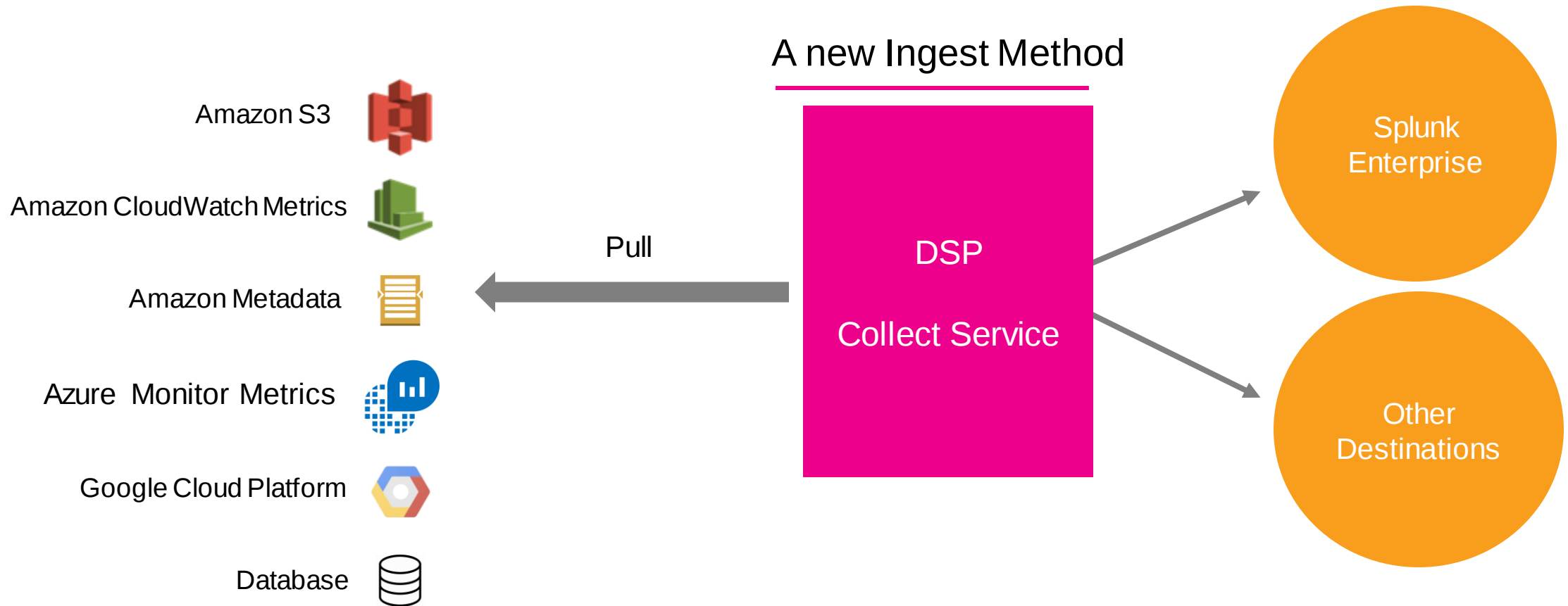
**Introducing
Collect
Service**

Collect Service

In a nutshell

- Scalable data collection service to pull large volumes of data from external data sources
- Focus on scheduled data collection at Scale and leverage DSP for data transformation
- Available in Splunk Cloud Services and Splunk Data Stream Processor (DSP) on-prem

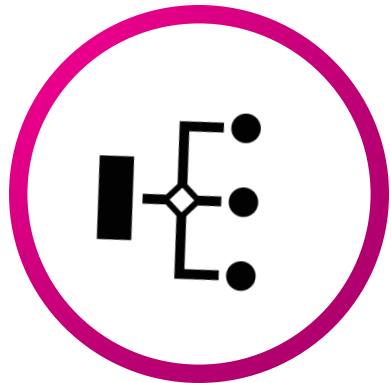
Collect Data: A New Scalable Ingest Mechanism



Key Concepts

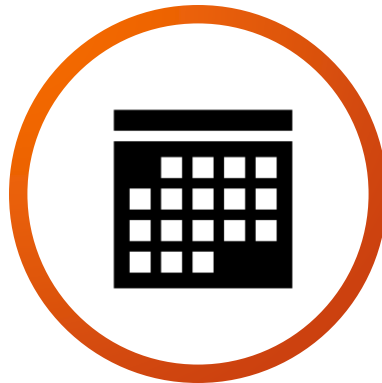
In Collect service

Connector



Extension of the Collect Service that can collect events or metrics from a data source

Schedule a job



Defines when, what, and how to collect data

Execution



One iteration of a scheduled job

Worker



Worker provides the abstraction for underlying computing resources

Available Collect Service Connectors today!



Amazon S3 Connector



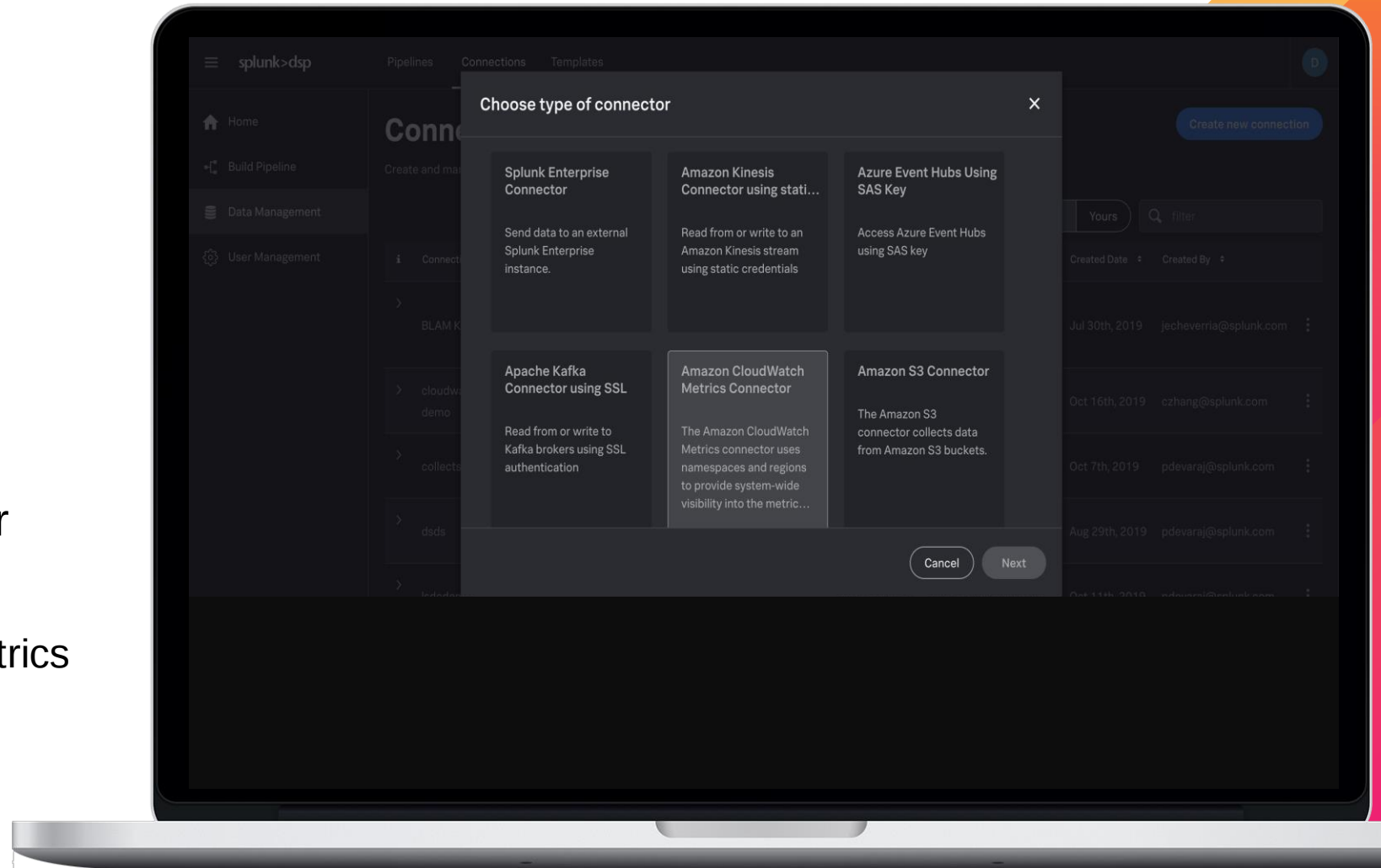
Amazon CloudWatch Metrics



Amazon Metadata

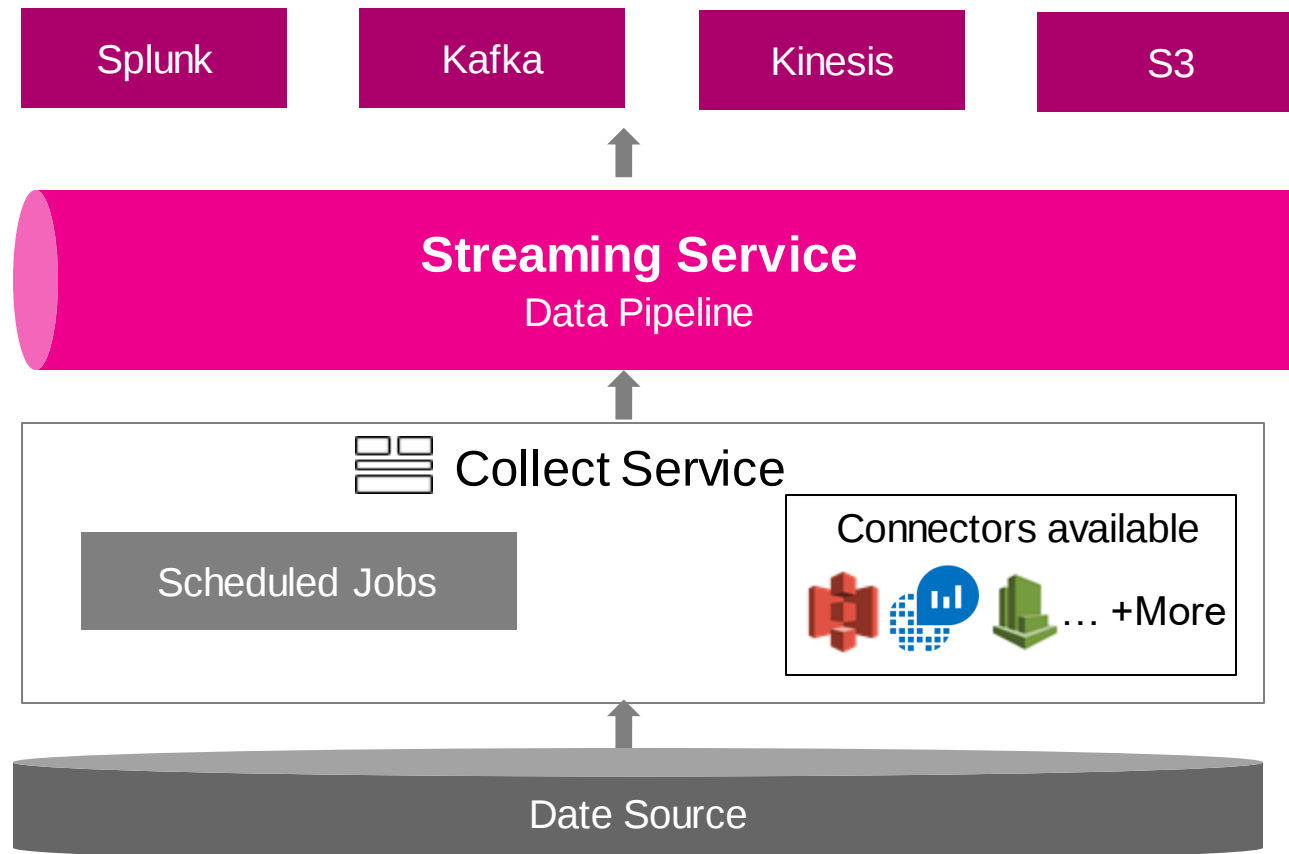


Azure Monitor Metrics



Architecture Overview

Data collection service designed for the “pull” scenario





How it works?

How it works?

Collect Service in action

1. Connectors (Pull-Based)

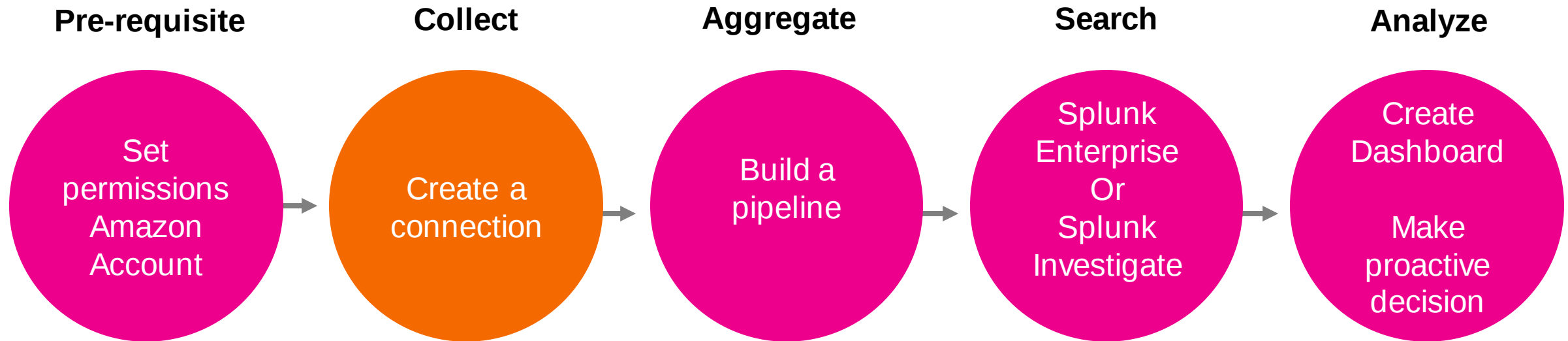
- Know how to connect to external systems
- **Scheduled to pull new data** from an external source
- Each time they run, they connect and fetch data
- Connectors then write data to the DSP Pipeline

2. Connection

- A configured instance of a connector
- What kind of connector?
- Where to connect? (i.e. which AWS account, which region ..)
- How to authenticate? (i.e. AWS access keys)

Amazon CloudWatch Metrics Connector in DSP

Monitor Infrastructure Performance





Pre-requisite

Pre-requisite

- Set Permissions for AWS
- Set Permissions for the AWS/EC2 namespace
- Set Parameters used in the Splunk AWS CloudWatch Metrics Connector

- `aws_credential` : The AWS credentials used to access the Amazon CloudWatch Metrics
 - `credential_type` : The AWS credential type (only `access_key` is supported)
 - `access_key` : The AWS access key credential information
 - `aws_access_key_id` : Your AWS access key ID
 - `aws_secret_access_key` : Your AWS secret access key
- `namespace` : An array of namespaces
- `region` : An array of regions
- `period` : The length of time associated with a specific Amazon CloudWatch statistic
- `stats` : An array of statistics. Statistics are metric data aggregations over specified periods of time. One statistic can be `Maximum`, `Sum`, `Minimum`, `Average`, or `SampleCount`.
- `delay` : (optional) The number of seconds to delay the metrics data collection to compensate for latency in the availability of Amazon CloudWatch Metrics data points (default is 300 seconds)



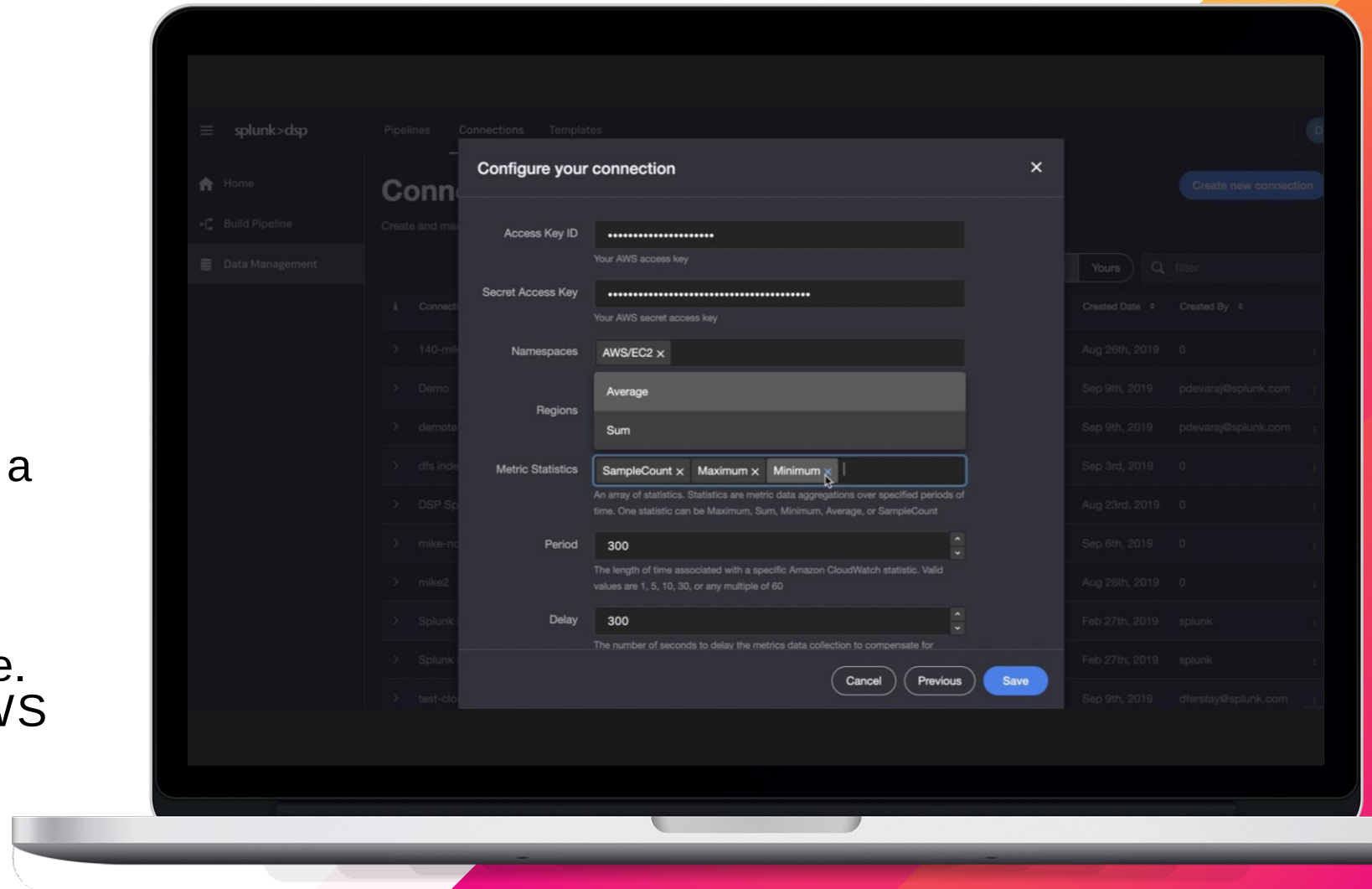
Create a connection

Collect Service - Connectors

Create a connection using UI

Connection

- A configured instance of a connector
- Where to connect?
- How to authenticate? (i.e. username/password, AWS access keys, client certificates)



Create a Connection Using API

```
curl -X POST "https://api.scp.splunk.com/<tenant>/collect/v1beta1/jobs/" \
```

```
{
  "name": "your connection name",
  "connectorID": "aws-s3",
  "schedule": "45 * * * *",
  "sqs_queue_url": "http(s)://sqs(-fips).<REGION>.amazonaws.com/<YOUR_ACCOUNT_NUMBER>/<YOUR_QUEUE_NAME>",
  "aws_credential": {
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      "aws_secret_access_key": "your AWS secret access key"
    }
  },
  "filetype": "json",
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    "field": "Records"
  },
  "scalePolicy": {
    "static": {
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<https://sdc.splunkbeta.com/reference/api/collect/v1beta1#endpoint-createJob>



Connections Management

Data Stream Processor

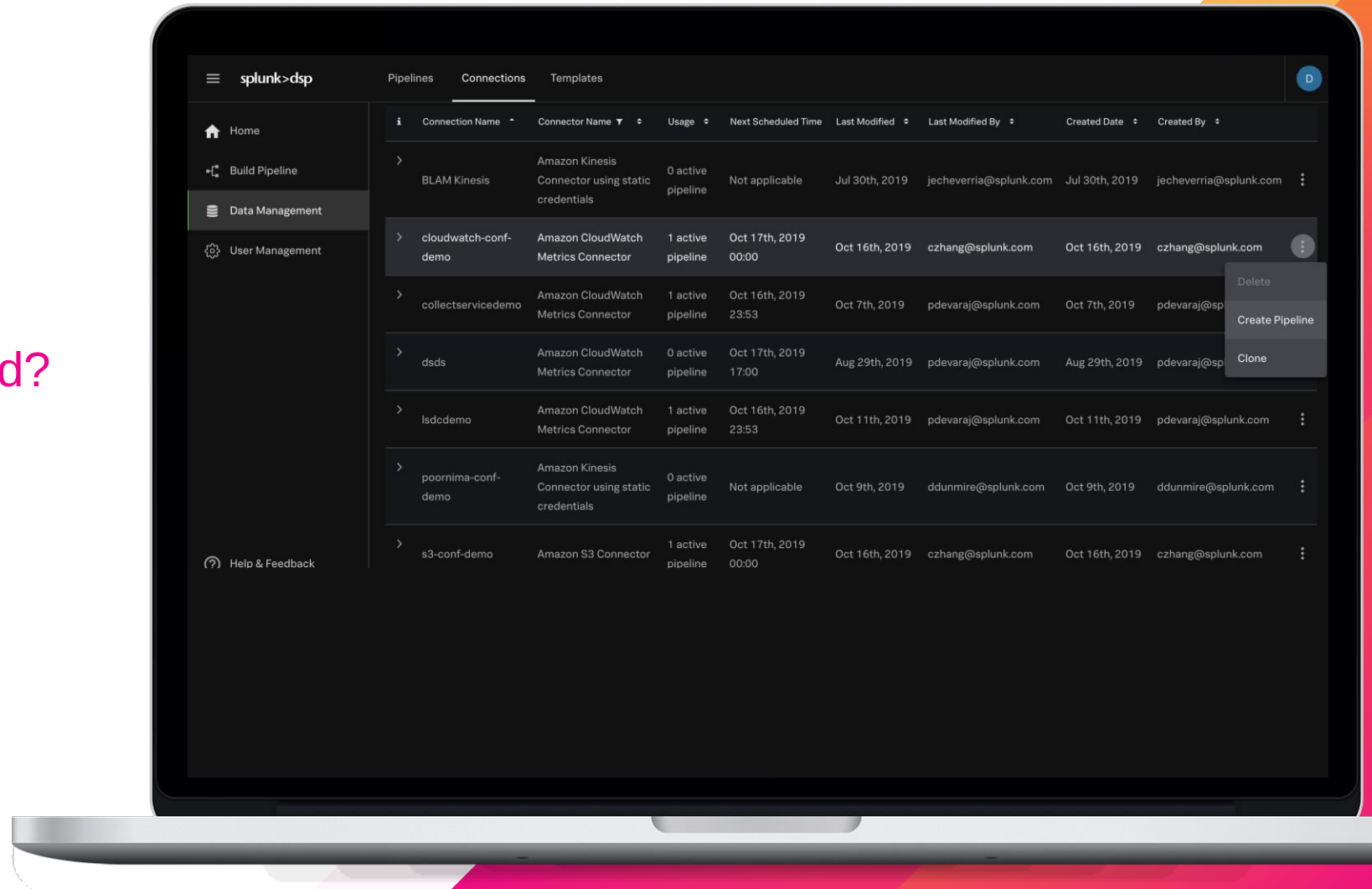
Connections Management

When is next job scheduled?

Create a pipeline

Actions

- Delete
- Edit
- Clone





Build a pipeline

DSP

Create a Pipeline > Preview Results

DSP > Build Pipeline > Preview results

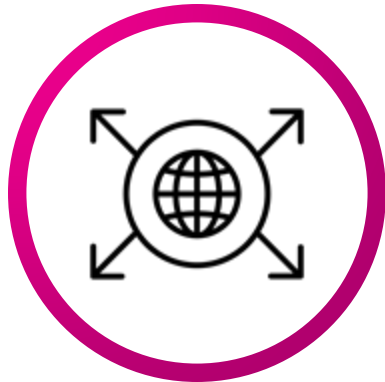
The screenshot shows the Splunk DSP interface for a pipeline named "Amazon CloudWatch Metrics". The pipeline is in the "Preview Results" view. The pipeline consists of two stages: "Amazon CloudWatch Me..." and "Write to Index". The "Preview Results" table shows a list of metrics with columns for index, nanos, kind, host, attributes, and source_type. The table is currently displaying 10 rows of data.

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Demo

How Collect Service Meets Adaptability Requirements

Scalability

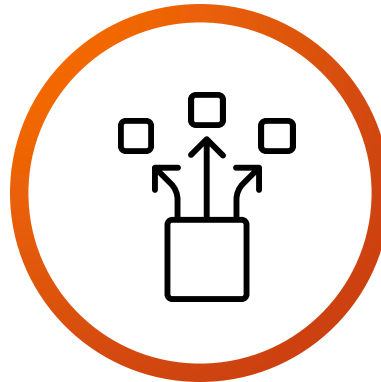


Kubernetes

Scale-out Architecture

- Workers to scale
- Load Balance
- Resource pool for multiple jobs

High Availability



Multiple replicas

Kubernetes

- Recovery from failure
- Isolation of failures/ errors

Avoid single point of failure

Centrally manage the checkpointing for data discovery and collection

Performance



Map Reduce Model

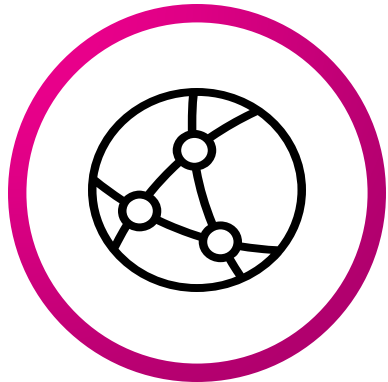
- Collect data in-parallel

Load Balance

Golang-based data collection engine and connectors

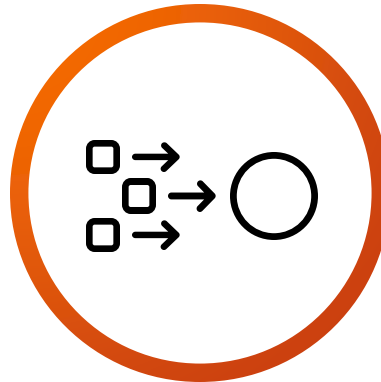
More Value from Collect Service

Resource Optimization



- Pull data on-demand
- Shared computing resources across jobs/executions

Extensibility

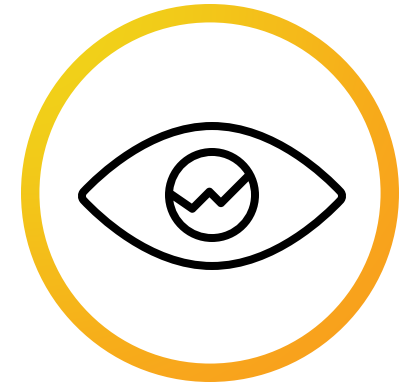


- Extend by implementing connectors in Go/Java/Python or any other preferred languages/framework
- Same connector works on cloud and on pre
- Improved development experience to test/debug connectors without DSP

Registry service not available

- Considering options
- Let's talk if you want to build a new connector

Visibility and Management



- Collect service centrally manages all inputs
- Admin know where the data is coming from and the throughput/error/warning
- Connections Management

Sneak Preview: How to Build New Connector

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- Any chance to reuse current pull-based or streaming connectors?
- Does your use case fit the Collect Service?

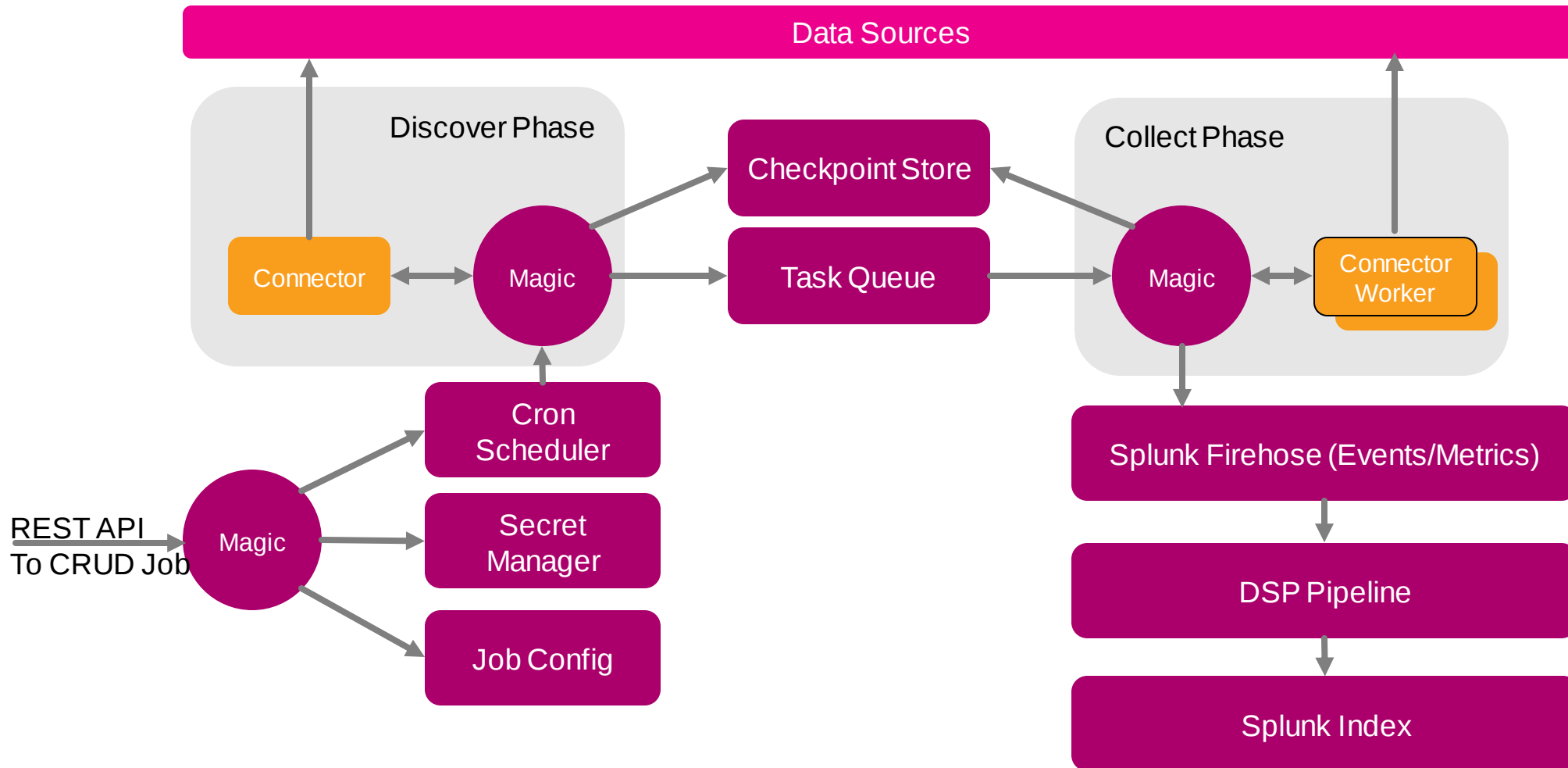
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- Understand the connector workflow
- Build it with Go/Python/..
- Test/debug locally

3

- Register the new connector in DSP
- Create data collection job via REST or web UI

Connector Workflow



Next Steps

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Pull data into DSP using connectors available

DSP is also available On-prem

https://www.splunk.com/en_us/software/stream-processing.html

Let's get connected.

- Need more connectors
- Build your own connector on collect service

Resources & Contacts

Where can I find more information?

Developer Guide:

<https://dev.splunk.com/scs/docs/add/collect>

<https://dev.splunk.com/scs/docs/add/collect/cloudwatchmetrics>

<https://dev.splunk.com/scs/docs/add/collect/s3>

<https://dev.splunk.com/scs/docs/add/collect/awsmetadata>

<https://dev.splunk.com/scs/docs/add/collect/azuremonitormetrics>

Information on DSP: <https://docs.splunk.com/Documentation/DSP>

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