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OvS-DPDK keepalive

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Problem space

- Telecom Networks should be incredibly reliable.
- Stringent SLAs



Downtime in year	36.5 days	7.3 days	3.65 days	17.52 hours	52.56 minutes	5.26 minutes	31.5 secor
Availability	95%	98%	99%	99.8%	99.99%	99.999%	99.9999%

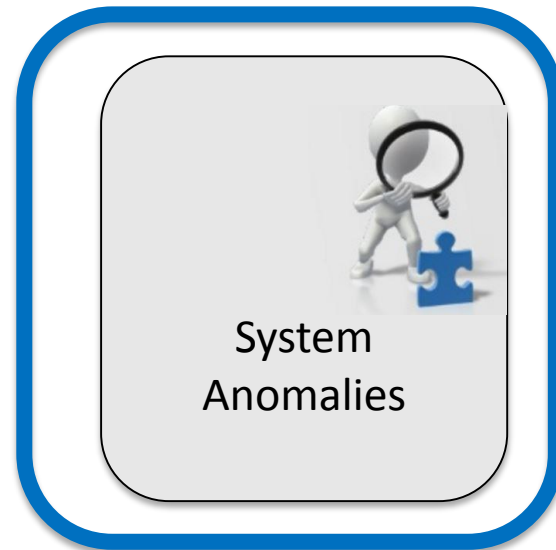
- Service Credits: ~30% if under 99% availability¹
- For cloud service providers OvS-DPDK is a compelling solution.
- Need for service assurance(SA) platforms.

¹ <https://aws.amazon.com/ec2/sla/>

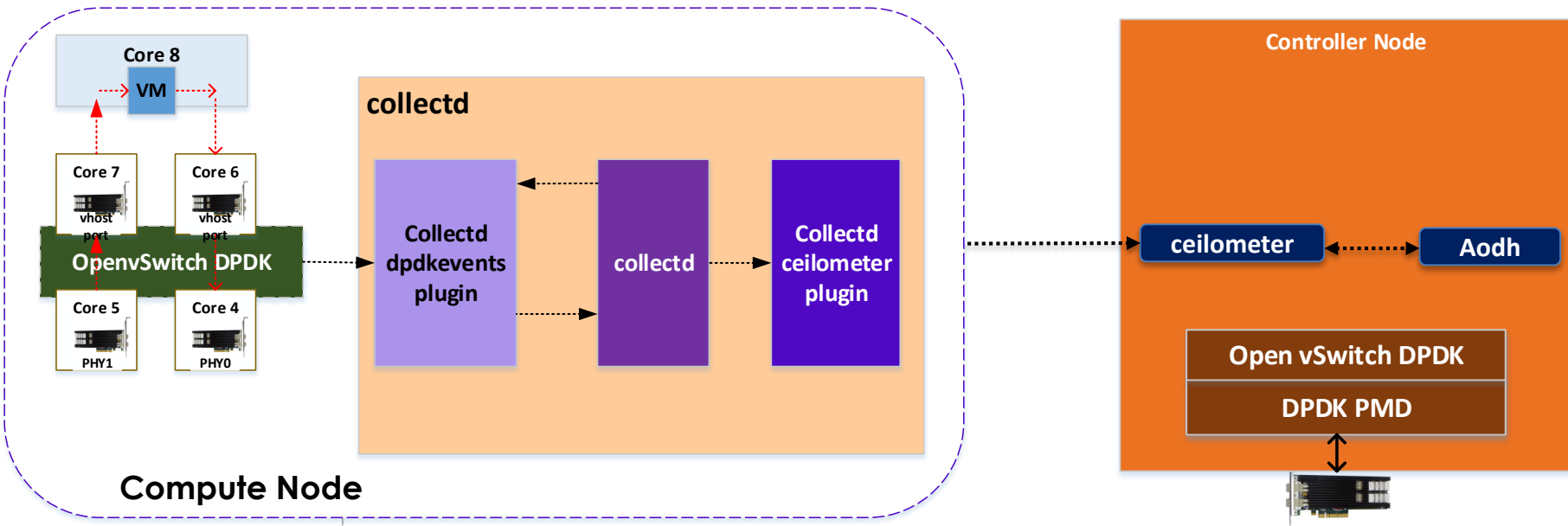
Barometer: The project formerly known as (SFQM)



- Enable interfaces to support NFVI monitoring.
- Statistics and events gathered in-service.



Use case

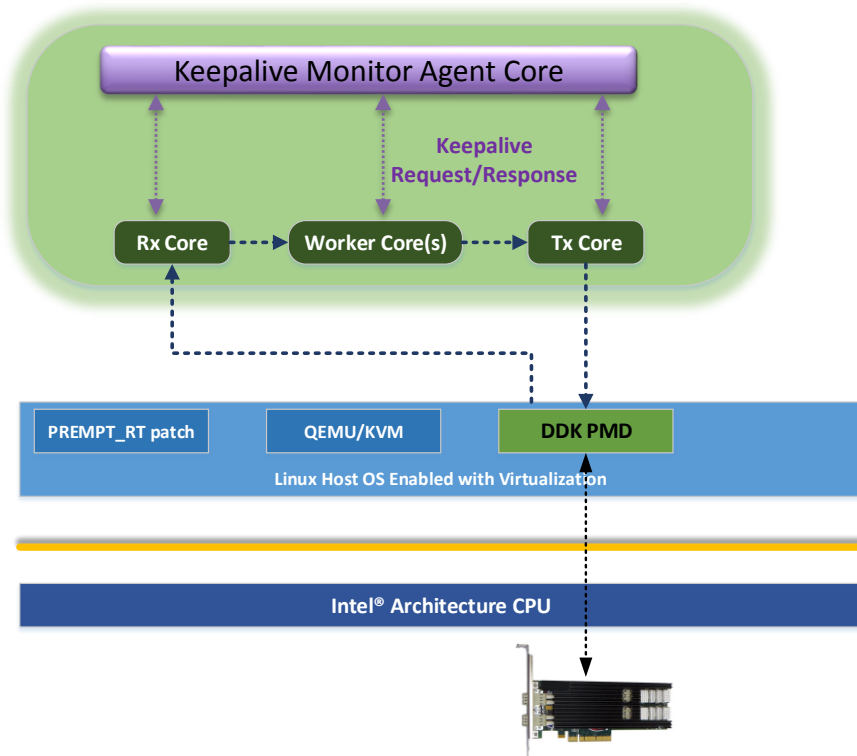


Components

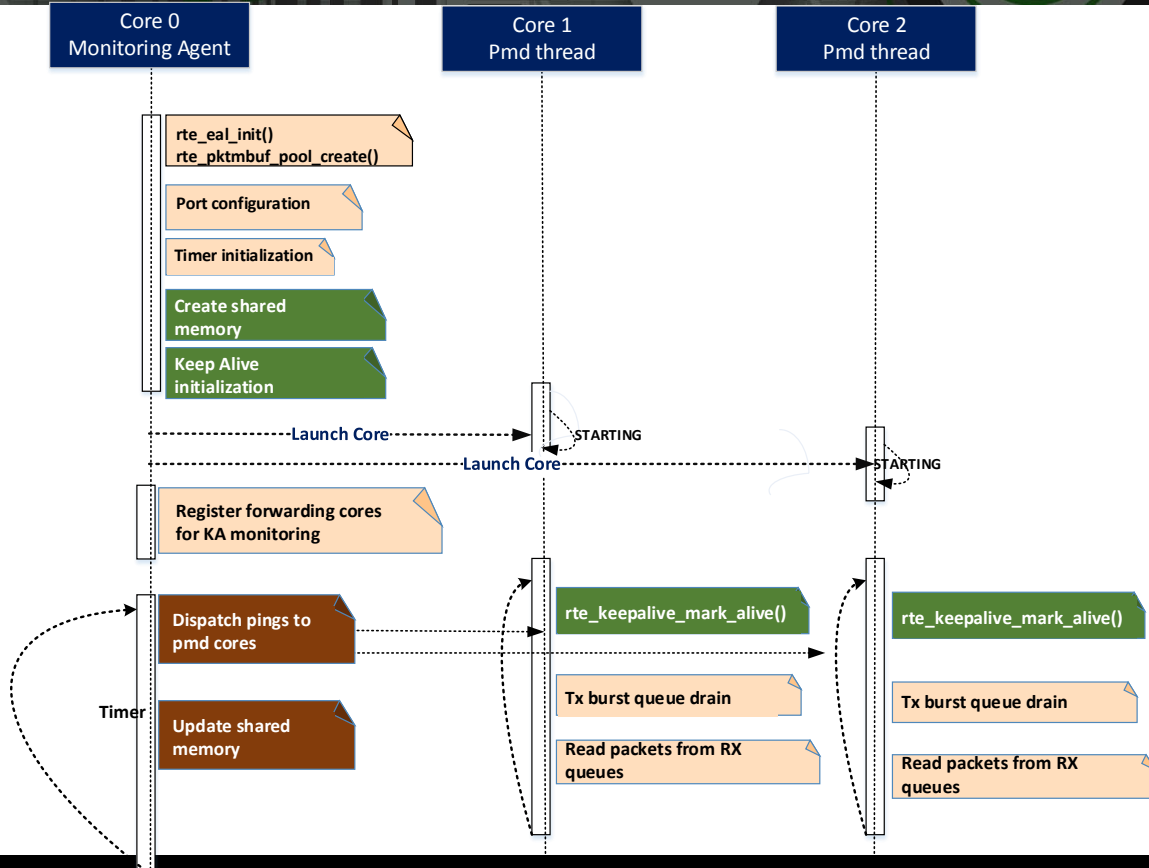


DPDK Keepalive

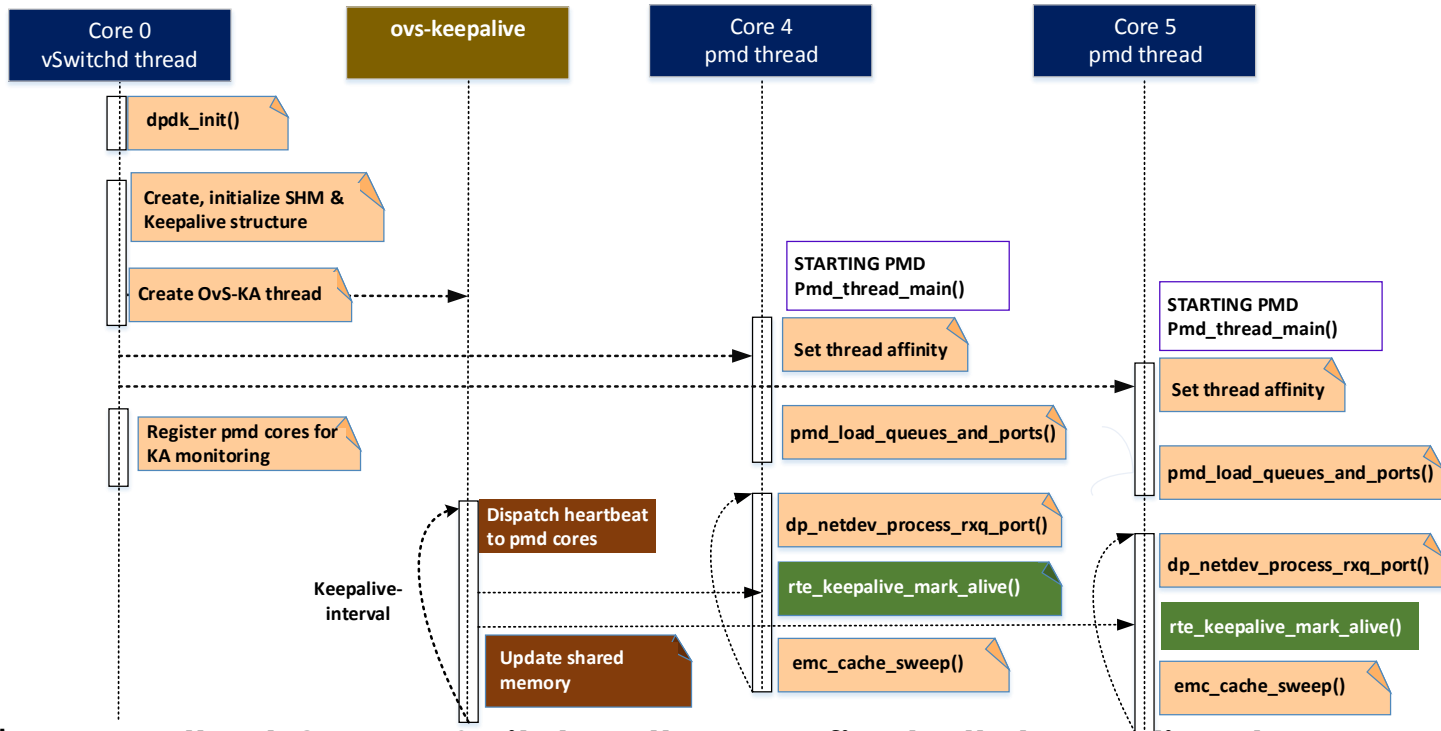
- Packet Ordering Application
 - RX core, Worker Core(s), TX core
- Heartbeat for packet processing cores to detect failures
- KA agent monitor the Packet processing cores.



DPDK Keep Alive cont.



OvS DPDK Keep Alive



```
$ ovs-vsctl set Open_vSwitch . other_config:dpdk-keepalive=true
```

```
$ ovs-vsctl set Open_vSwitch . other_config:dpdk-keepalive-interval="10"
```

Monitoring Agent

Core State:

UNUSED[0]

ALIVE[1]

DEAD[2]

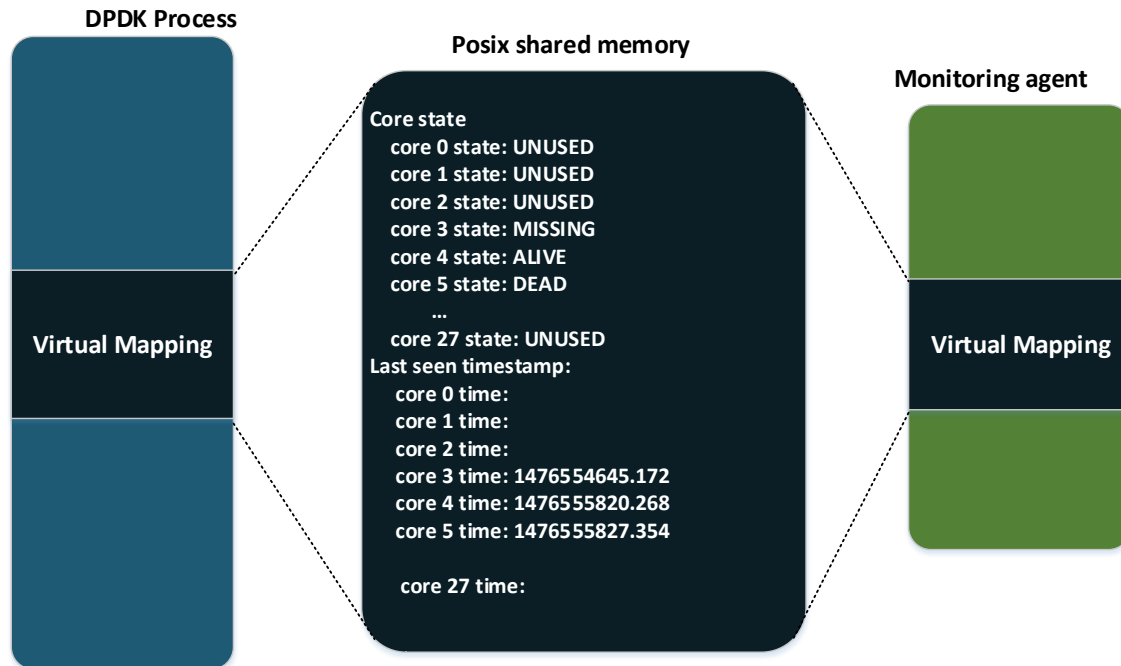
GONE[3]

MISSING[4]

DOZING[5]

SLEEP[6]

Time stamp: epoch time

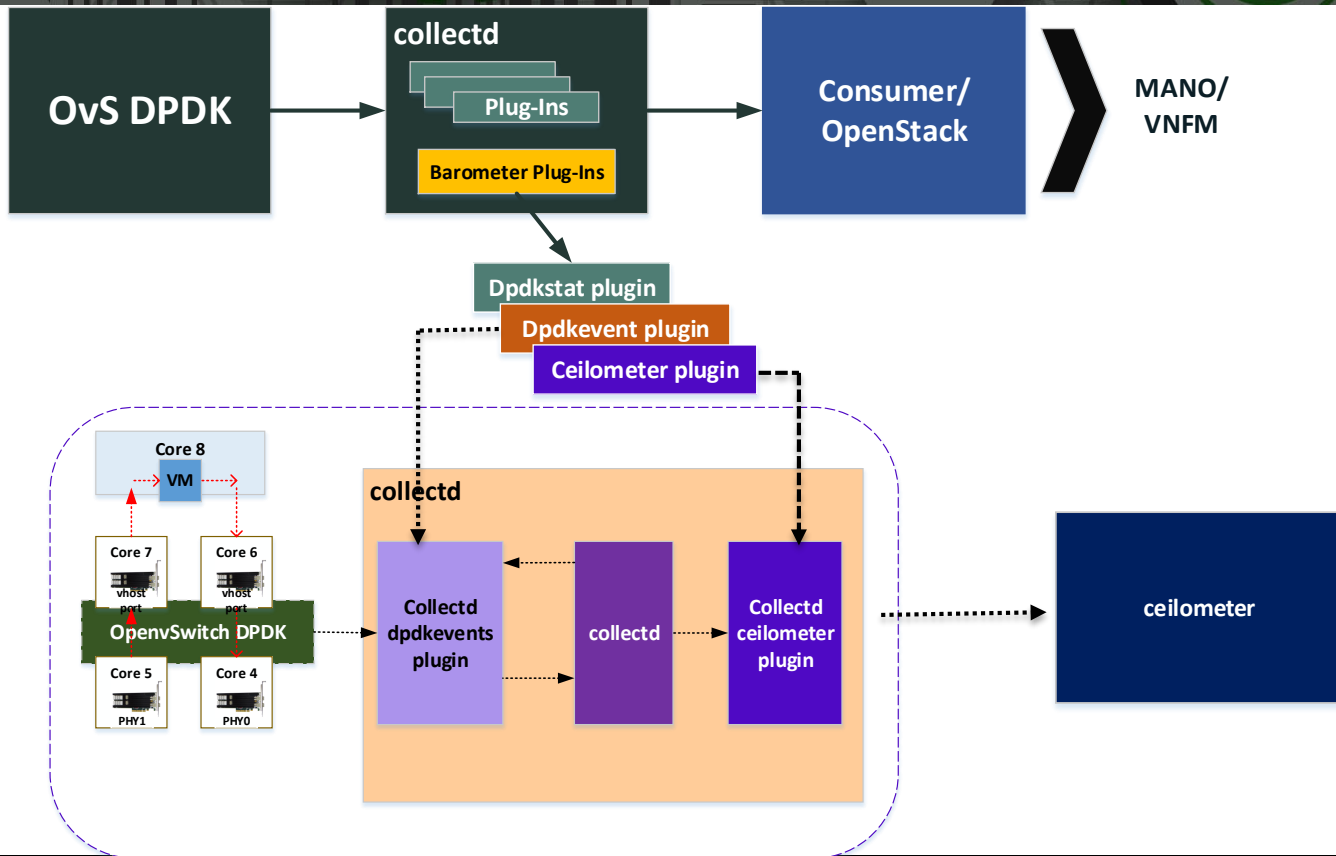


Collectd

- Collects time series data.
- open-source, GPL v2 licensed.
- Platform independent.
- 100+ plugins with powerful networking features.
- Easily extensible.
- Doesn't generate graphs but can write to csv files.



Monitoring OvS DPDK with collectd



Collectd plugins

collectd

dpdkevents

LoadPlugin syslog
LoadPlugin logfile
LoadPlugin python
LoadPlugin csv
LoadPlugin dpdkevents

```
<Plugin "dpdkevents">  
Interval 1  
<EAL>  
Coremask "0x2"  
MemoryChannels "4"  
ProcessType "secondary"  
FilePrefix "rte"  
</EAL>  
  
<Event "keep_alive">  
SendEventsOnUpdate true  
LCOREMASK "0x30"  
KeepAliveShmName "/dpmk_keepalive_shm_name"  
</Event>  
</Plugin>
```

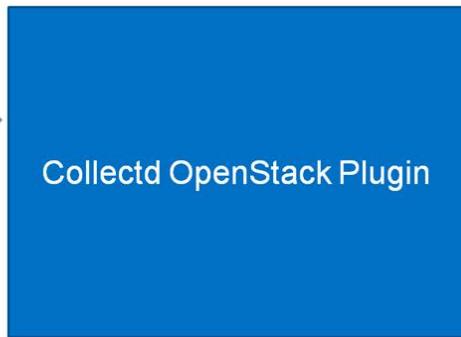
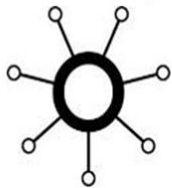
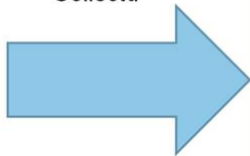
```
<Plugin syslog>  
LogLevel info  
#LogLevel debug  
</Plugin>
```

```
<Plugin csv>  
DataDir "/var/log/openvswitch/collectd/csv"  
StoreRates false  
</Plugin>
```

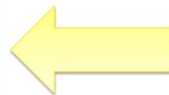
```
<Plugin logfile>  
LogLevel info  
File "/var/log/openvswitch/collectd.log"  
Timestamp true  
PrintSeverity false  
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```

Ceilometer

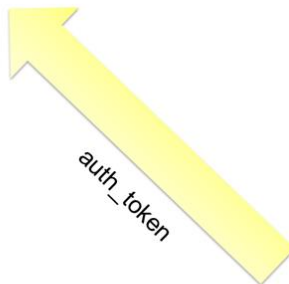
Value List from
Collectd



POST



Ceilometer
(OpenStack Telemetry)



auth_token

Keystone
(OpenStack Identity)

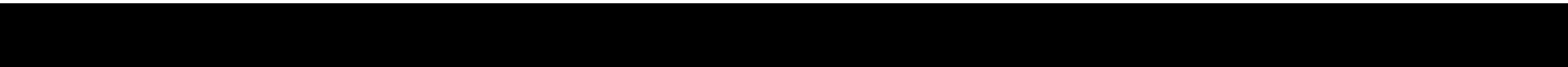


Future work

- OVS stats plugin
- OVS events plugin [Pull Request](#) – OVS agnostic plugin that monitors the link status of OVS connected interfaces



DEMO



Summary

“Trying to manage a complex cloud solution without a proper telemetry infrastructure in place is like trying to walk across a busy highway with blind eyes and deaf ears.”¹



¹ <https://azure.microsoft.com/en-us/blog/cloud-service-fundamentals-telemetry-basics-and-troubleshooting/>