## Managing the Chaos: Prometheus APM

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### Agenda

- Who is Flint Hills Resources?
- Transformation Journey with Prometheus APM
- Use Cases
- IT Perspective
- Looking Ahead
- Q&A





# Who is Flint Hills Resources?





### Flint Hills Resources

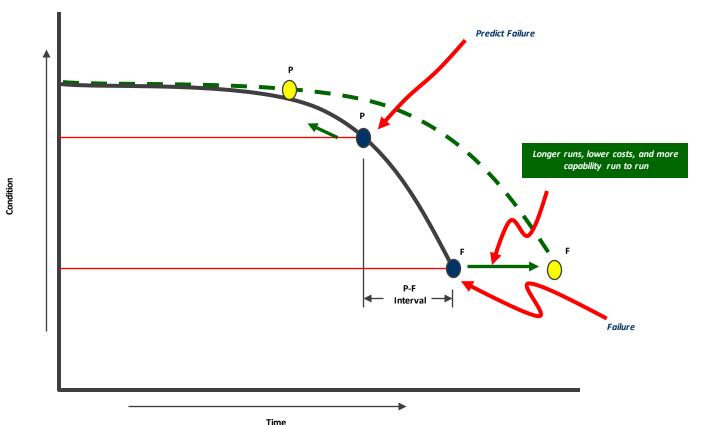
- Flint Hills Resources is a leading refining company
  - Operations primarily in the Midwest and Texas
- Based in Wichita, KS
  - Subsidiary of Koch Industries
- We produce fuels and aromatics
  - Gasoline, Jet Fuel, and Diesel
  - Chemical Intermediates
  - Asphalt, Base Oils, Liquid Fertilizer
- Key facts
  - ~3,000 employees
  - 3 refineries in MN and TX
  - 700,000 bbl/day refining capacity
  - 4,000 miles of pipeline





### Monitoring POV

- Transformation is necessary
- Data must be continuously collected
- Good models + good data = detect defects + predict failures earlier & more effectively
- Goal: extend the P-F interval





### Analytics & Monitoring Partners



AMP is a trusted business partner that improves utilization, yields and costs by providing:



Earlier detection of operating issues and opportunities



Clear communication of actionable information



Automated data analysis



Collaborative problem solving across disciplines and sites



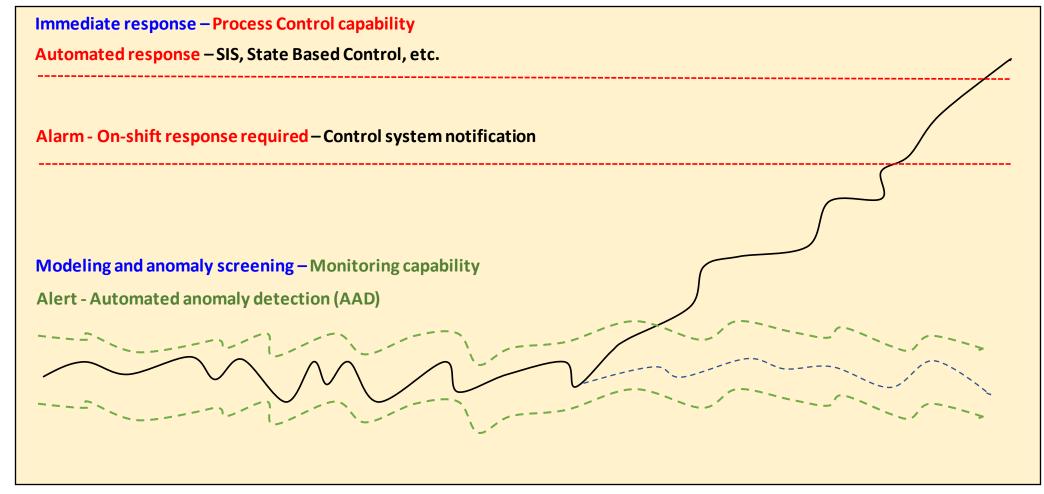
### Analytics & Monitoring Partners

- 2 monitoring centers, 1 team
  - Monitoring Analysts
    - Process Engineers
    - Mechanical Engineers
    - Operations
  - Modeling/Analytics Engineers
    - Process Engineers
    - Data Engineers
  - Ownership by technology vs location









Time



Variable (Vibration, Temp, Pressure, etc.)

#### **Automated Anomaly Detection**

## **Our Transformation Journey**





### How did we get here?

#### <u>Timeline</u>

- 2017
  - Process Data focus: contextualization, models
- 2018
  - AMP Vision creation and alignment
- 2019
  - ASSET360 pilot + 3<sup>rd</sup> party services (other Koch customers: KAES & GP)
- 2020-2022
  - 13,500 models for 6 business lines
  - Reduced 3<sup>rd</sup> party dependency for config
  - Tag Backfill capability via API
- Today
  - 15,000 models for 3 business lines



### Manage The Chaos via the Funnel

- Sensor Deployment
  - ~100K-200K measured data points
- Model Prediction
  - ~15,000 models
- Alert Screening & Diagnosis
  - ~1,200 active alerts
  - ~700 alerts not in Watch/Ignore state
- Issue Escalation
  - ~10-20 escalations/week





### Model Deployment

### <u>How</u>

- Cover as much of the process and equipment as possible
- What model types to use?
  - APR
  - Fixed Limit
  - Forecast
  - Moving/Rolling Average
  - Rate of Change



### <u>Who</u>

- Asset Experts
- Monitoring Analyst/Engineer
- 3<sup>rd</sup> party service provider
- Data scientists

## Why Prometheus APM? (Part 1)

- Alerts user interface is built for Screening
  - Save time & effort with Filter, Watch, and Views
  - Saved Trends Prebuilt and Custom
  - Add Notes to an Alarm or Model
  - Quickly move to Op Mode / Model Configuration / Issues Management
- Advanced modeling techniques
  - APR takes more work, but worth the effort
  - Fixed Limit easy to use
  - Forecast very useful but Context view is necessary vs the Trend view
  - Multivariate & Univariate









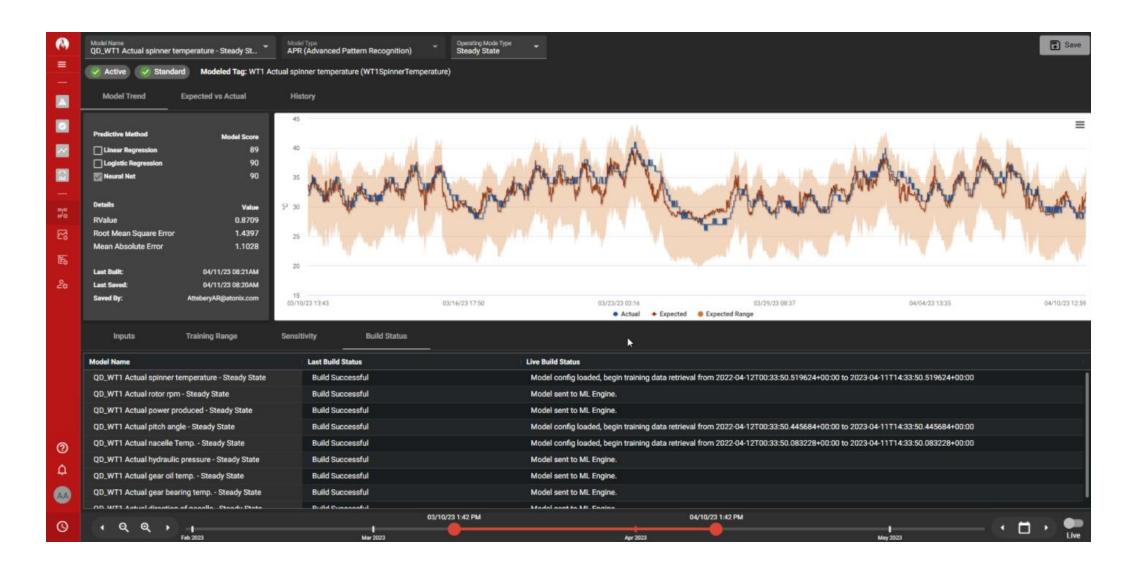
#### Alerts Display

## Why Prometheus APM? (Part 2)

- Self-service configuration
  - Assets & Tags "Greatest Addition Ever!"
  - Models Build, Train, Re-train
- Issues management
  - Initial great tool to communicate with other 3<sup>rd</sup> party monitoring services
  - Current not using in favor of CMMS
  - Future possible integration with CMMS









#### Model Configuration



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#### Issue Management

## Use Cases

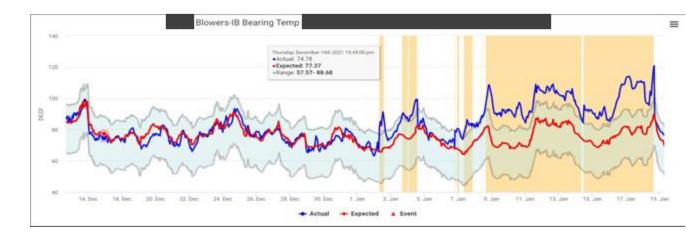




### Furnace Draft Fan IB Bearing Temp

- Detect
  - Prometheus APM alert
- Diagnose
  - IB bearing temp 20-30°F higher
  - Initially not deemed an issue
  - Later found cooling water lines to the bearing housing plugged with black sludge
- Resolve
  - Maintenance opened the lines and cleared them
- Outcome





### Main Air Blower Discharge Flow

### • Detect

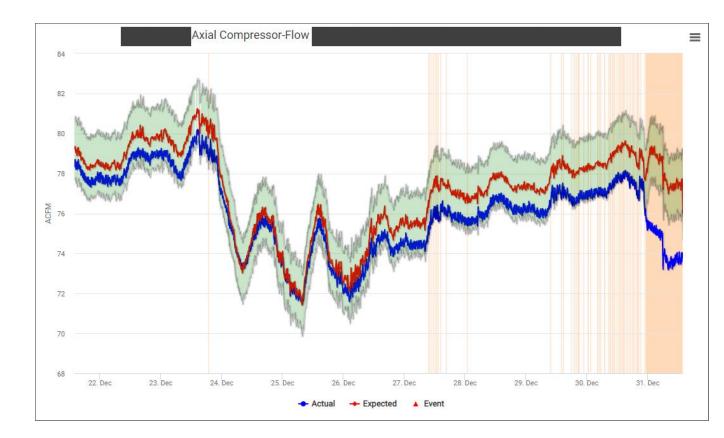
- Prometheus APM alert
- Diagnose
  - Rain event caused wet caked dust/dirt to decrease airflow

### Resolve

 Daylight board operator worked with Operations to walnut hull the blower

Outcome





### Example – Flow Control Valve

V-4 NO 2 FO WASH MBPD Flow Control Valve-Flow 13 12 11 MBPD 10 Acceptable Deviation Actual Process Expected Process Deviation Beginnin Bounds 20. Jul Value 21. Jul 22. Jul Value 23. Jul 19. Jul 25. Jul 26. Jul 27. Jul 28. Jul 24. Jul Expected Event Actual

Actual vs. Expected Control Valve Flow Model

Why is the deviation occurring?

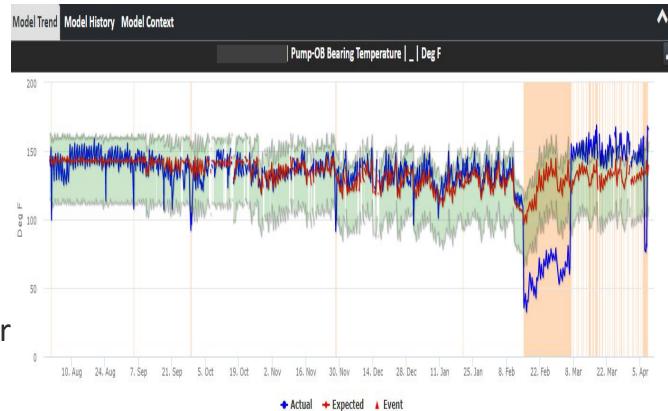
- Pump switch with unequal pump performance?
- Physical hydraulic change (valve/piping/filter/nozzle)?
- Change in fluid flows (more/less flow somewhere else, impacting pump pressure)?
- Change in process conditions (temperature, composition, etc.)?
- Something else?



## Steam Pump OB Bearing Temp

- Detect
  - Prometheus APM alert
- Diagnose
  - Bearing skin temp elevated after restart
- Resolve
  - Maintenance resource found cooling water blocked in at header and corrected the problem
- Outcome





### Pump Degraded Performance

- Detect
  - Prometheus APM alert
- Diagnose
  - Water Pump discharge pressure was drifting down
  - Initial contact with Operations
  - Escalation to Business Team; Operations found the suction screen was plugged with grass and weeds

- Pump-Discharge Pressure CDU Water Pump | PSI =
  - + Actual + Expected A Event

- Resolve
  - Operations cleaned the screen
- Outcome



# Modern Technology

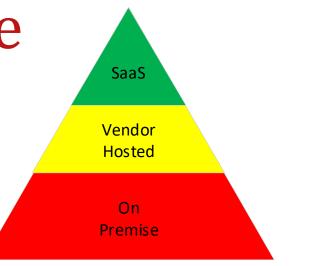


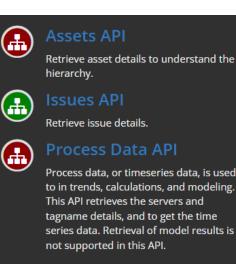


### IT/Technology Perspective

- Preferred Deployment Model
  - SaaS / Cloud
  - Multi-Tenant
  - Single Sign-On, Role-Based Access
- Lightweight Integration
  - MDTransfer connects your process data
  - APIs for reporting and tag backfill
- Responsive Support
  - Support Portal
  - Knowledge Base









Operates on files for a given asset. Used for external model ingestion.



Models API

Retrieve model details.

# Looking Ahead





### Next Steps

- Univariate Models
- Dashboards
- Issues Management
  - Automated Issue creation
  - Send Issue to CMMS
  - Send CMMS status back to Issue







# Thank You





## Questions?



