Skills modernization for the Virtual Infrastructure Admin

Take the first step using VEBA

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About Me

VMware Employee since 2014 – Presales SE

Started working with VMware in 2006 - ESX 3.0

Primarily a sysadmin

Limited programming background

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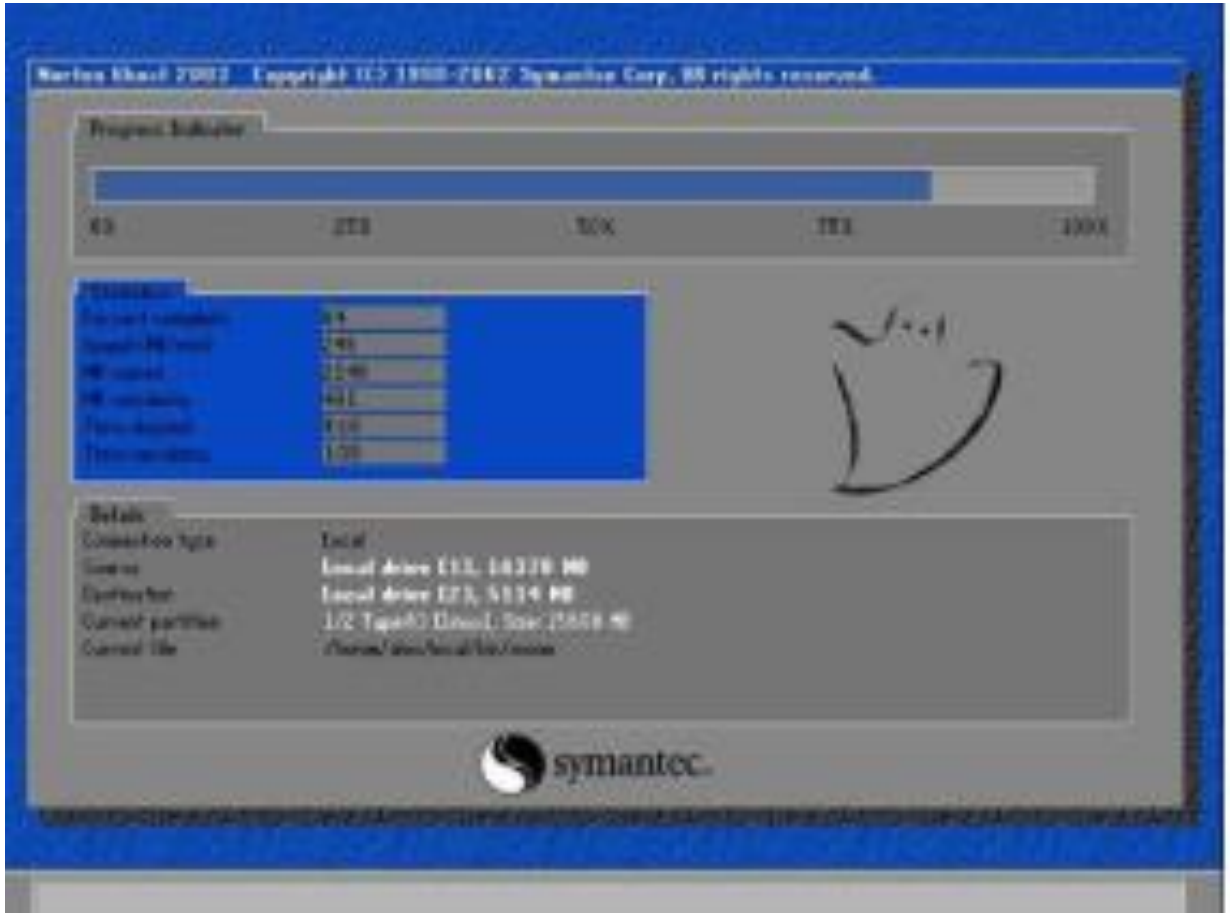
Why Modernize your Skills?

Obsolescence

Having no development skills will soon be equal to having no virtualization skills today.



In the beginning

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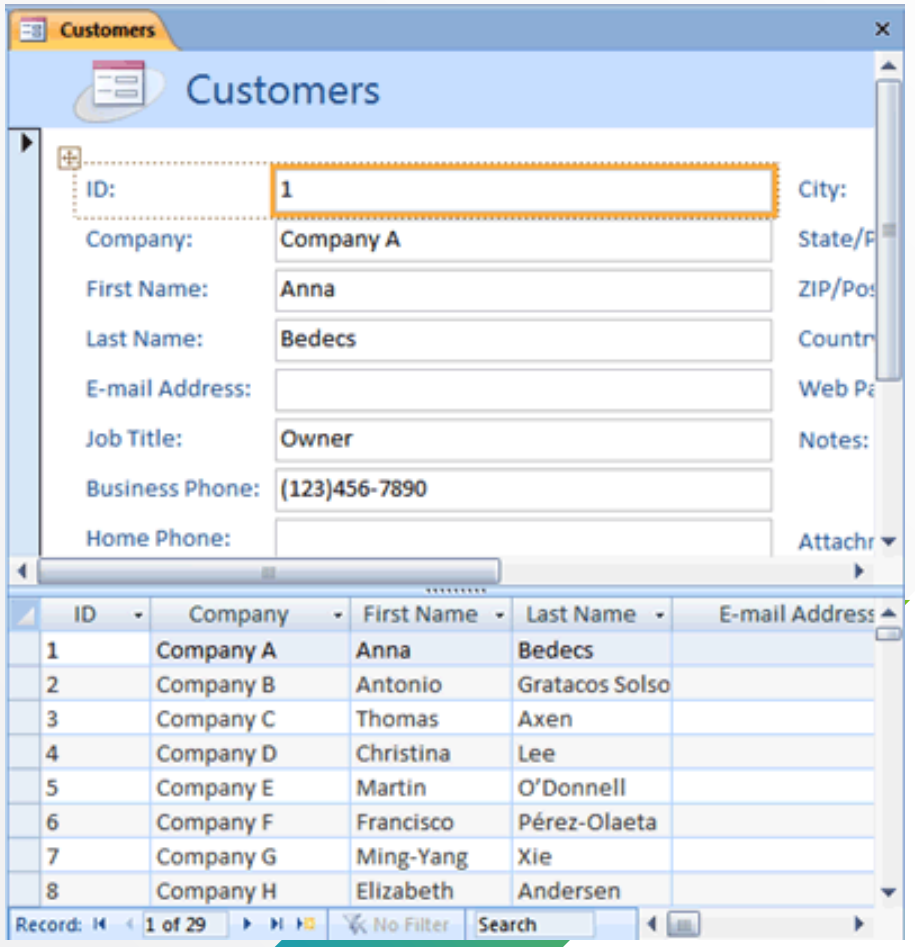


Since 2006

All system administration, all VMs, all 3-tier apps, all the time

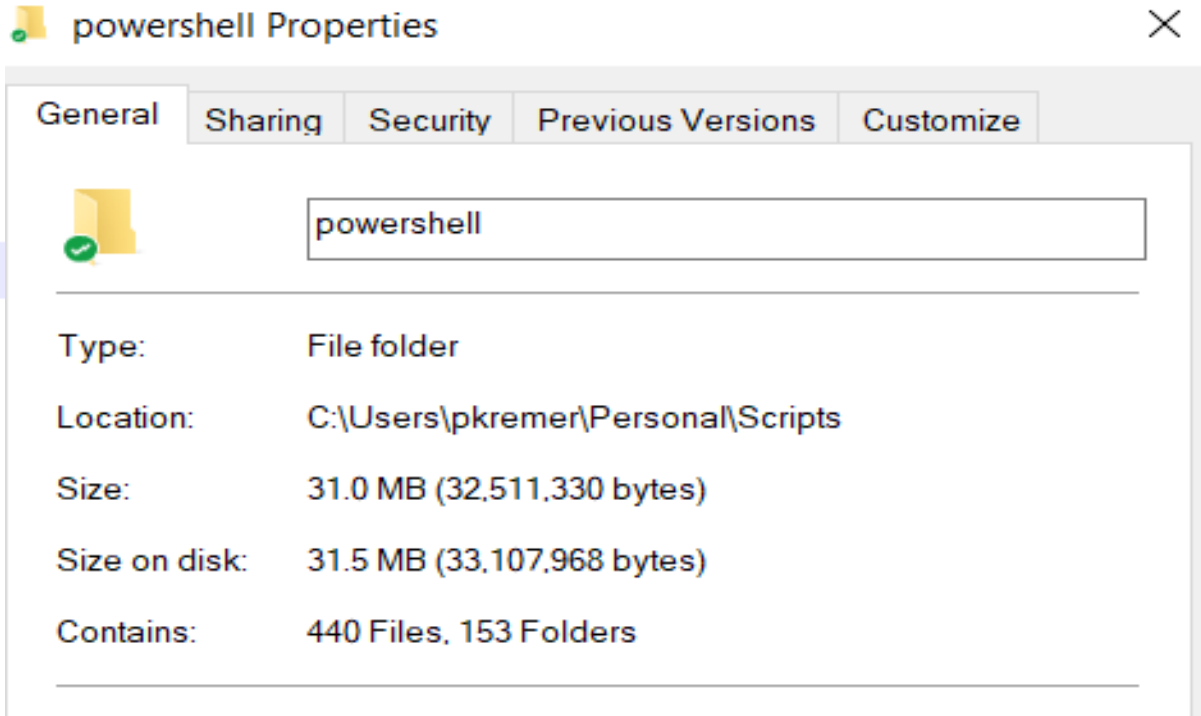
Three Tier Apps

Virtual Machines

vSphere

Programming = Scripting

```powershell
$AllClusters = Get-Cluster |  where {$_.Name -ne "LabManager" -and $_.Name -ne "Double Take Windows 2000 ONLY" } | Sort-Object   "Name"
ForEach( $Cluster in $AllClusters)
{
 $ClusterName = $Cluster.Name
 $AllVMs = get-cluster $ClusterName | Get-VM | Where { $_.Guest.State -ne "NotRunning" -And $_.Description -like "*2015*" } | Sort-Object
 Name
 ForEach ($VM in $AllVMs )
 {
   Write-Host $VM.Name
   Write-Host $VM.Description
 }
}
```



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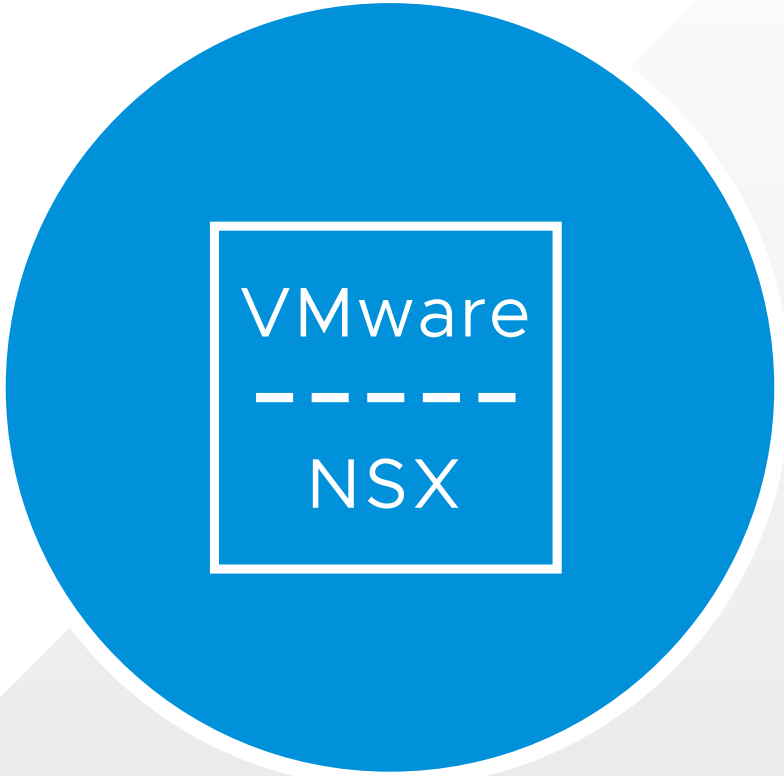

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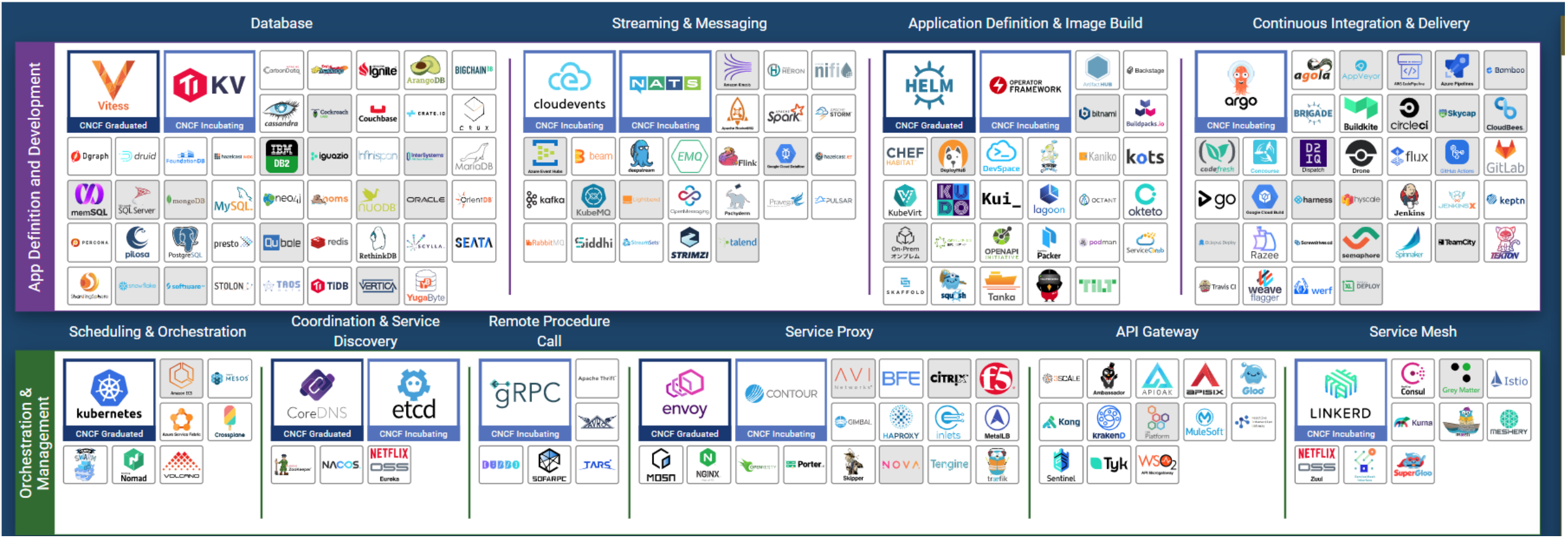
Cloud Native Landscape



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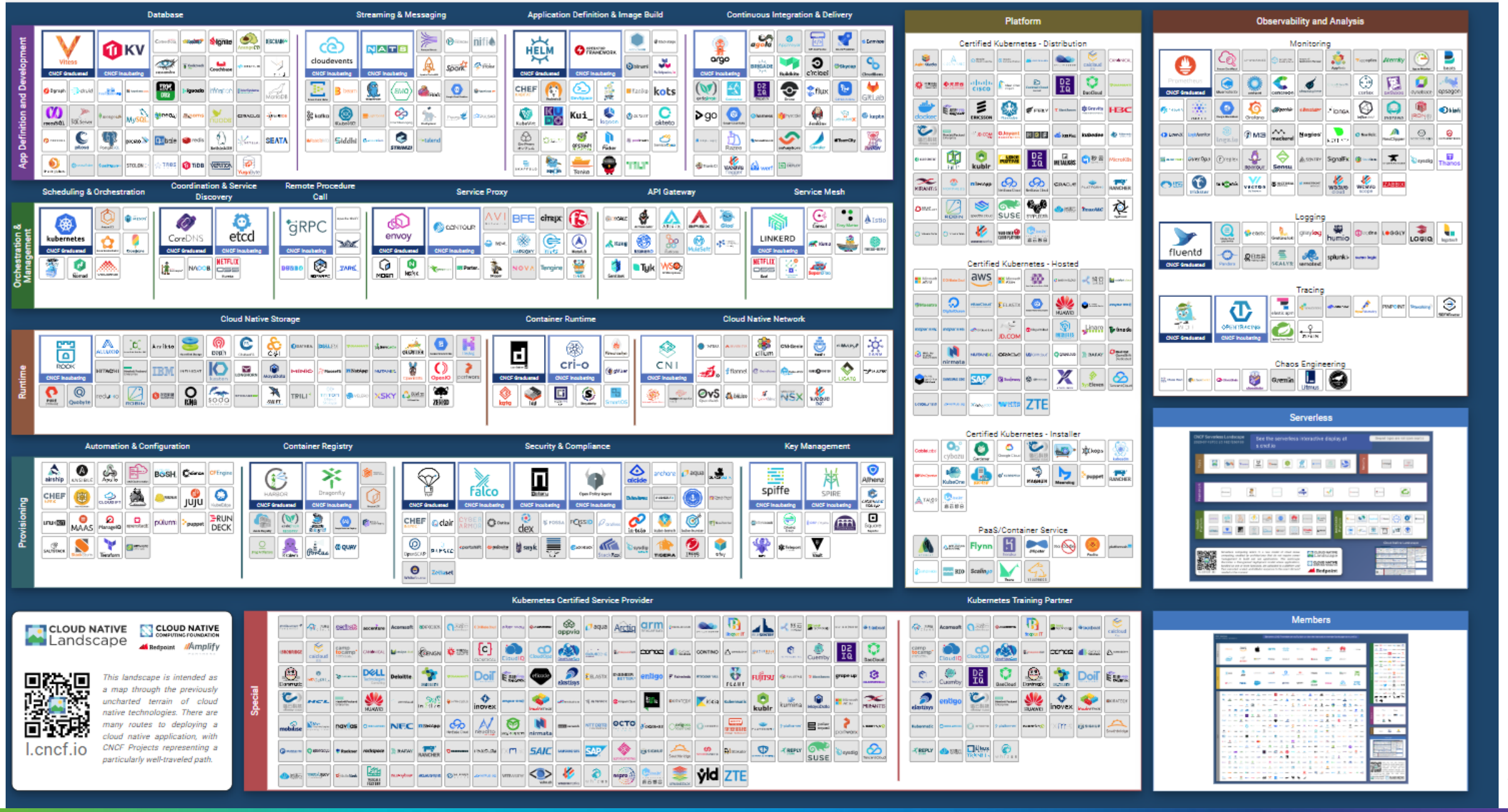
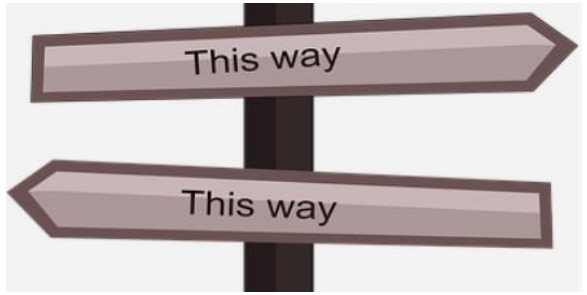
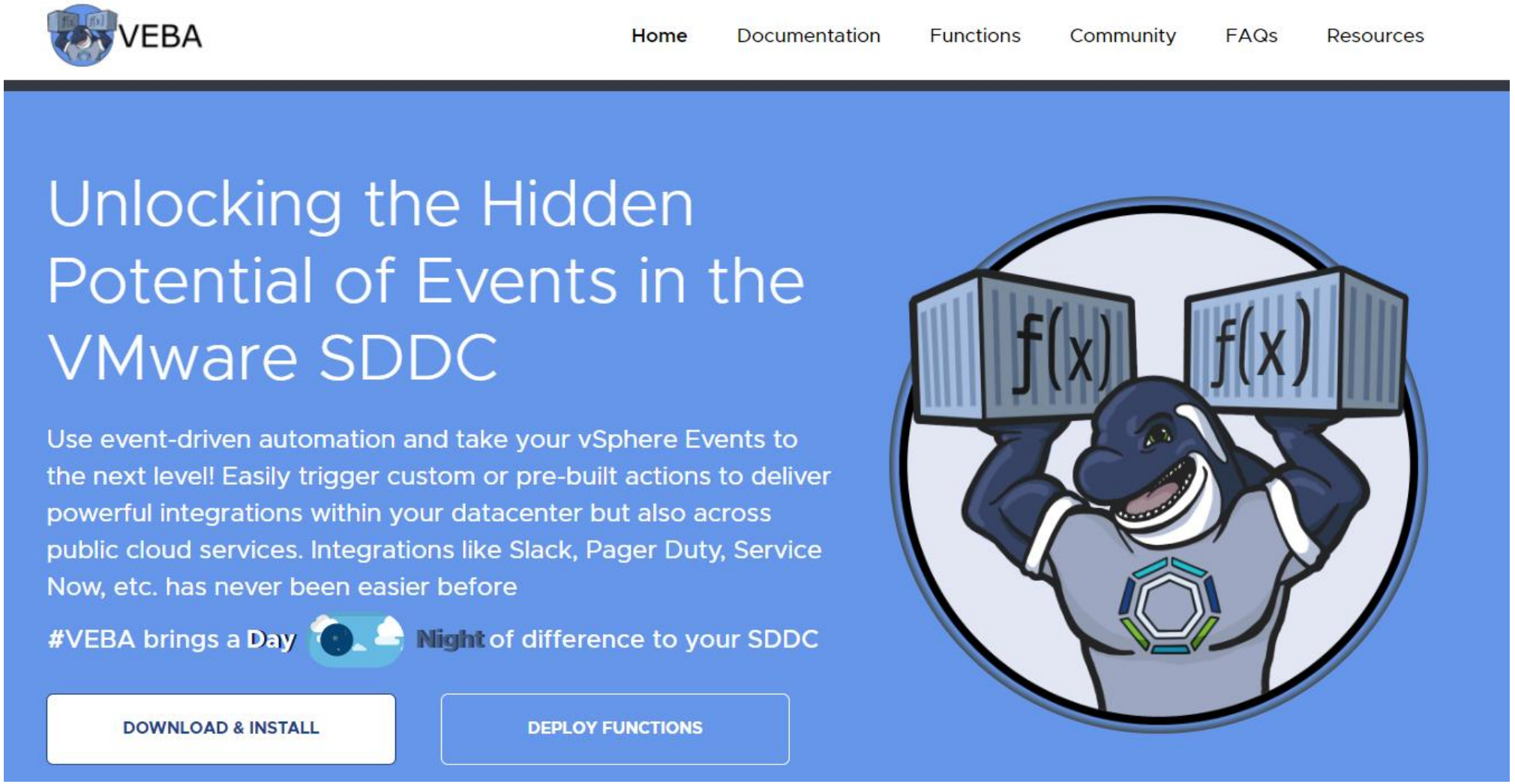


Where to start?

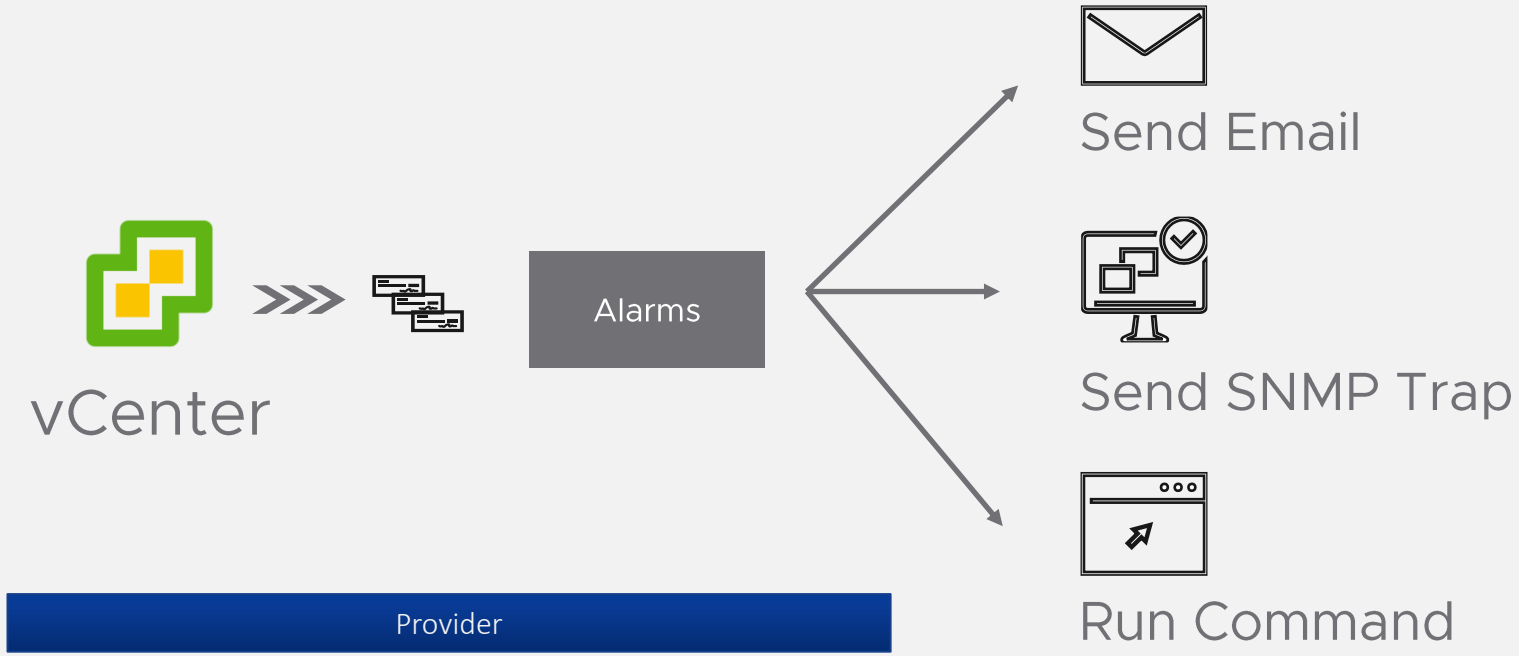


VMware Event Broker Appliance



vCenter Event Driven Automation

Trigger Actions based on vCenter Events



Alarms allows limited and structured workflow capability

- Send Email
- Send SNMP traps
- Run Commands or Scripts

This limits innovation as this functionality needs

- vCenter access to setup Alarms
- Learning curve to implement and deploy code
- Redundant connectivity or platform code
- Added overhead on vCenter.

vCenter Event Driven Automation with VEBA

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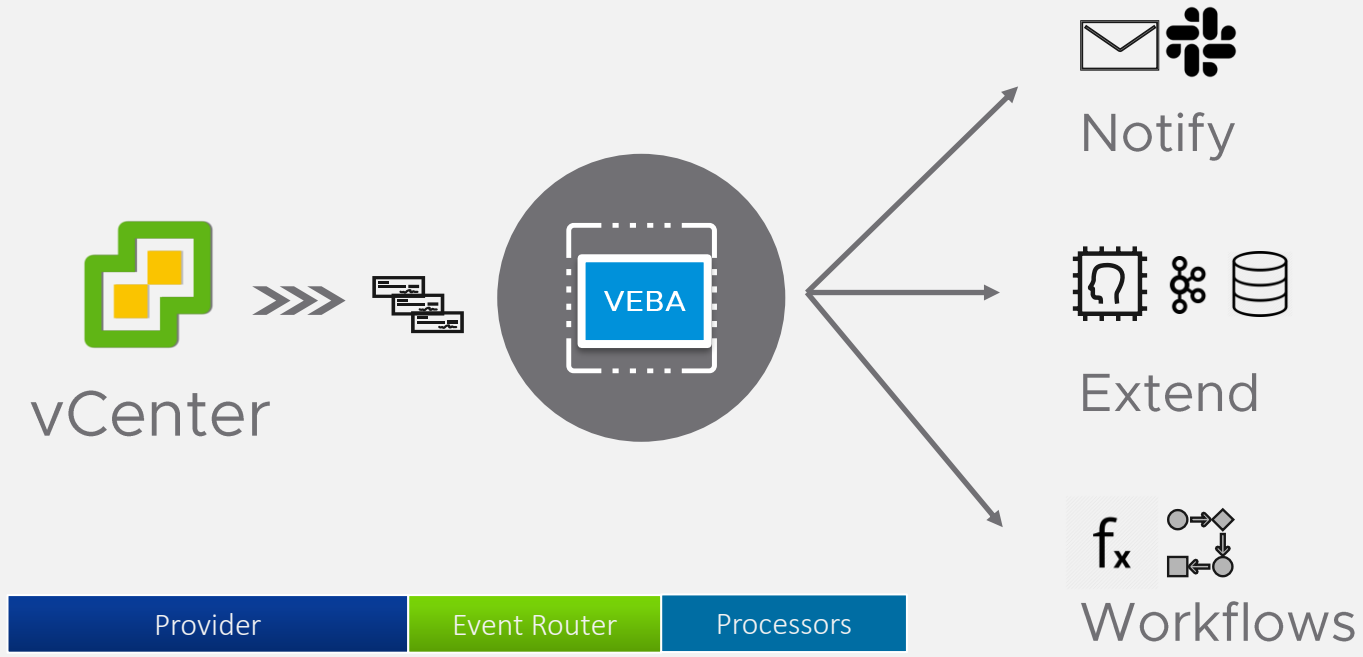


VMware Event Broker Appliance allows seamless extension of the vCenter platform

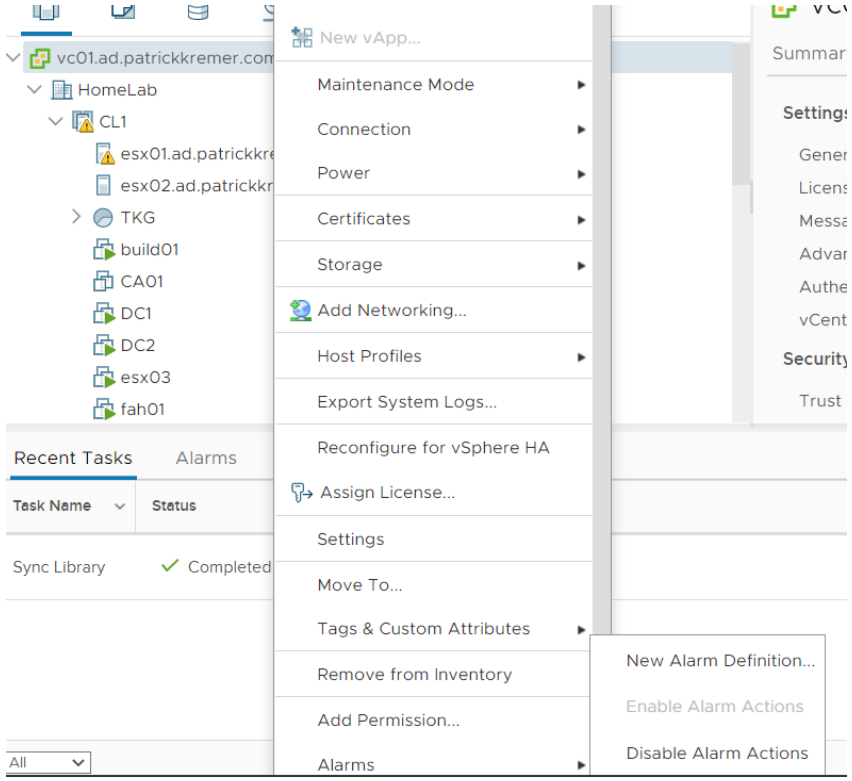
- Deployed as an appliance
- Enables innovation without requiring vCenter UI access
- Can enable fan-out messaging patterns

Function as a Service - Write and Execute code written in any language

Get started quickly with prebuilt functions maintained by the community.

Two examples of VEBA functions - PowerCLI

Maintenance Mode Alarms



HA Event Notification

vsish -e set /reliability/crashMe/Panic 1

** esx01 Failure - VMs Restarted **

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To Patrick Kremer

ObjectName	Date	Description
build01	06/26/2020 14:12:23	-
fah01	06/26/2020 14:12:29	- Version: 1.0.2 VMware FaH Team: 52737 B
proxy01	06/26/2020 14:12:24	-
tinylinux	06/26/2020 14:12:32	-

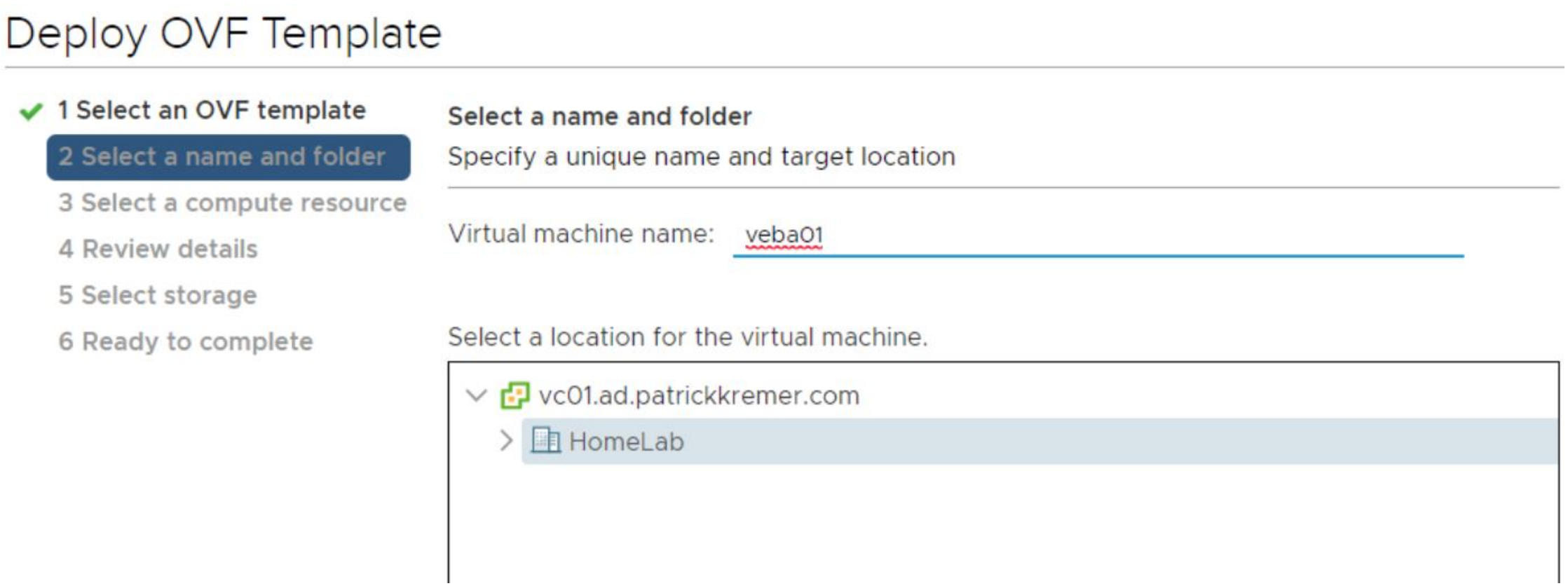
Other VEBA functions

Tag a VM based on a vCenter event

Send a Slack message when a VM is reconfigured

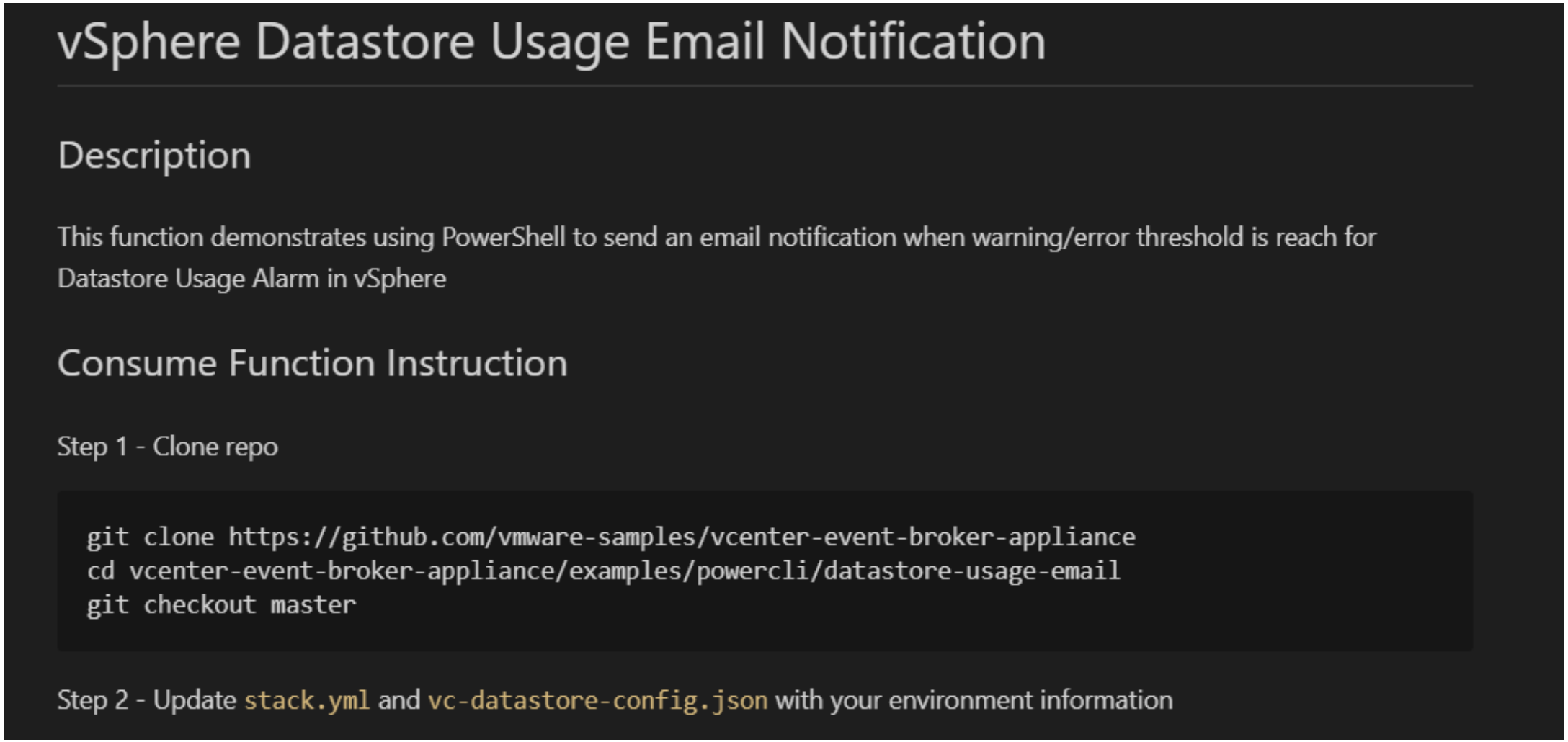
Notify Pagerduty when a disk alarm is tripped

November 2019 - VEBA can do that



VEBA Function Documentation

Do what with the what?



Stack.yml

Oh, and you need Docker too

stack.yml

examples > powercli > datastore-usage-email > stack.yml

William Lam, 5 months ago | 1 author (William Lam)

```yaml
provider:
  name: openfaas
  gateway: https://veba.primp-industries.com
functions:
  powershell-datastore-usage:
    lang: powercli
    handler: ./handler
    image: vmware/veba-powercli-datastore-notification:latest
    environment:
      write_debug: true
      read_debug: true
      function_debug: false
    secrets:
      - vc-datastore-config
    annotations:
      topic: AlarmStatusChangedEvent
```

Appliance Processes

```
root      5865  0.0  0.1 109004  8524 ?        Sl   Jul07   0:09 containerd-shim -namespace moby -workdir /var/lib/containerd/io.containerd.runtime.v1.linux/moby/8d7b8ffdf3c9e7d5cf35bc033e3
root      5890  0.0  0.1 109004  8524 ?        Sl   Jul07   0:09 containerd-shim -namespace moby -workdir /var/lib/containerd/io.containerd.runtime.v1.linux/moby/9627bde0be3a40678758bd78f0b
root      5896  0.0  0.1 109004  8580 ?        Sl   Jul07   0:08 containerd-shim -namespace moby -workdir /var/lib/containerd/io.containerd.runtime.v1.linux/moby/a31268d3d8314f594a220201169
root      5909  0.0  0.1 109004  8580 ?        Sl   Jul07   0:08 containerd-shim -namespace moby -workdir /var/lib/containerd/io.containerd.runtime.v1.linux/moby/eeec9af97b4823d25b269113e8c
root      5923  0.0  0.0   1024     4 ?        Ss   Jul07   0:00 /pause
root      5941  0.0  0.0   1024     4 ?        Ss   Jul07   0:00 /pause
root      5968  0.0  0.0   1024     4 ?        Ss   Jul07   0:00 /pause
root      5982  0.0  0.0   1024     4 ?        Ss   Jul07   0:00 /pause
root      6189  0.0  0.1 109004 10580 ?        Sl   Jul11   0:03 containerd-shim -namespace moby -workdir /var/lib/containerd/io.containerd.runtime.v1.linux/moby/b50fc08d06ea774fc38d5df47a5
root      6206  0.5  1.2 216496 101572 ?       Ssl  Jul11  19:52 kube-controller-manager --authentication-kubeconfig=/etc/kubernetes/controller-manager.conf --authorization-kubeconfig=/etc/
root      6300  0.0  0.1 109004  8588 ?        Sl   Jul11   0:03 containerd-shim -namespace moby -workdir /var/lib/containerd/io.containerd.runtime.v1.linux/moby/ae37aa9d28e21a38f3beec37118
root      6311  0.0  0.1 107596  8532 ?        Sl   Jul11   0:03 containerd-shim -namespace moby -workdir /var/lib/containerd/io.containerd.runtime.v1.linux/moby/3320cdb04bc2f9b36177975f89c
root      6328  0.0  0.4 137624 37944 ?        Ssl  Jul11   1:29 contour serve --incluster --xds-address=0.0.0.0 --xds-port=8001 --envoy-service-http-port=80 --envoy-service-https-port=443
root      6340  0.0  0.5 141516 41956 ?        Ssl  Jul11   2:16 kube-scheduler --bind-address=127.0.0.1 --kubeconfig=/etc/kubernetes/scheduler.conf --leader-elect=true
root      6391  0.0  0.0 109004  8124 ?        Sl   Jul07   0:09 containerd-shim -namespace moby -workdir /var/lib/containerd/io.containerd.runtime.v1.linux/moby/892eb859f87fdfb58cc1290f40c
nobody    6429  0.0  0.0 106724  7900 ?        Ssl  Jul07   0:00 /usr/sbin/tinywww
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100       8043  0.0  0.1 111784 10288 ?        Ssl  Jul07   0:10 /home/app/faas-idler -dry-run=true
root     19990  0.0  0.0      0     0 ?        I    22:55   0:00 [kworker/0:1-ata_sff]
root     22049  0.0  0.0      0     0 ?        I    23:00   0:00 [kworker/0:0-ata_sff]
root     23408  0.0  0.0      0     0 ?        I    05:52   0:00 [kworker/u4:0-events_unbound]
root     24023  0.0  0.0      0     0 ?        I    23:05   0:00 [kworker/1:0-cgroup_pidlist_destroy]
root     24024  0.0  0.0      0     0 ?        I    23:05   0:00 [kworker/1:1-events]
root     24155  0.0  0.0      0     0 ?        I    23:05   0:00 [kworker/0:2-events_power_efficient]
root     25015  0.3  0.0  11780  6484 ?        Ss   23:08   0:00 sshd: root@pts/0
root     25024  0.3  0.0   7900  4740 pts/0    Ss   23:08   0:00 -bash
root     25099  0.0  0.0   6072  2280 pts/0    R+   23:08   0:00 ps aux
root     25350  0.0  0.1 109004  8472 ?        Sl   Jul11   0:03 containerd-shim -namespace moby -workdir /var/lib/containerd/io.containerd.runtime.v1.linux/moby/9d7eac7e7ec43f3f725941dcd52
root     25367  1.3  3.5 475412 286392 ?       Ssl  Jul11  49:04 kube-apiserver --advertise-address=192.168.203.39 --allow-privileged=true --authorization-mode=Node,RBAC --client-ca-file=/e
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root     25429  0.0  0.1 107596  8472 ?        Sl   Jul11   0:03 containerd-shim -namespace moby -workdir /var/lib/containerd/io.containerd.runtime.v1.linux/moby/37e587b1709661c193c02f2967d
root     25453  0.1  0.4 142288 35520 ?        Ssl  Jul11   4:37 /coredns -conf /etc/coredns/Corefile
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root@veba02 [ ~ ]# ^C
```

VEBA is currently a developer's tool.

Me, November 26, 2019

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VEBA is actually targeted at VI Admins

William Lam, November 27, 2019

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Timelines

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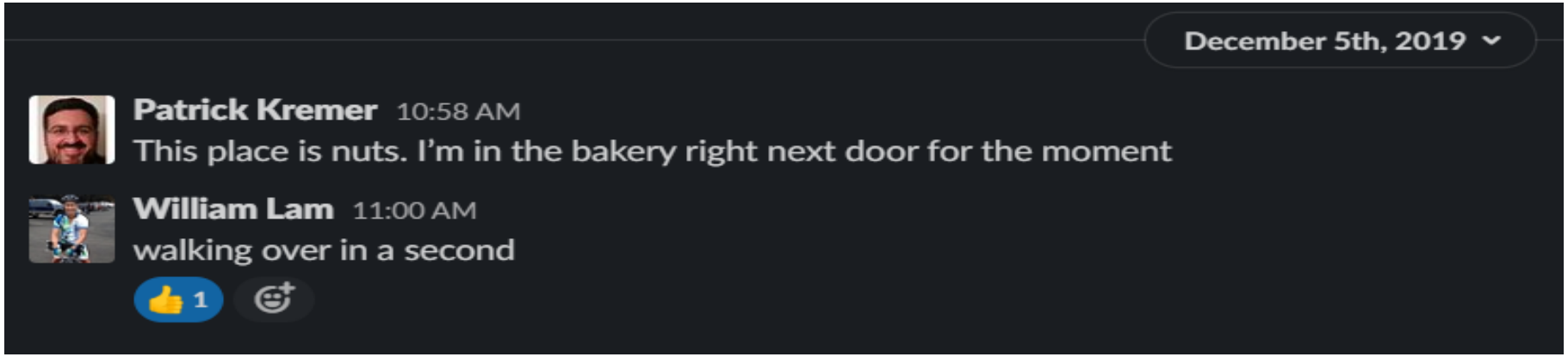
Re:invent 2019				
+6	+4	+5	+7	+9



December 2019

Deploying VEBA

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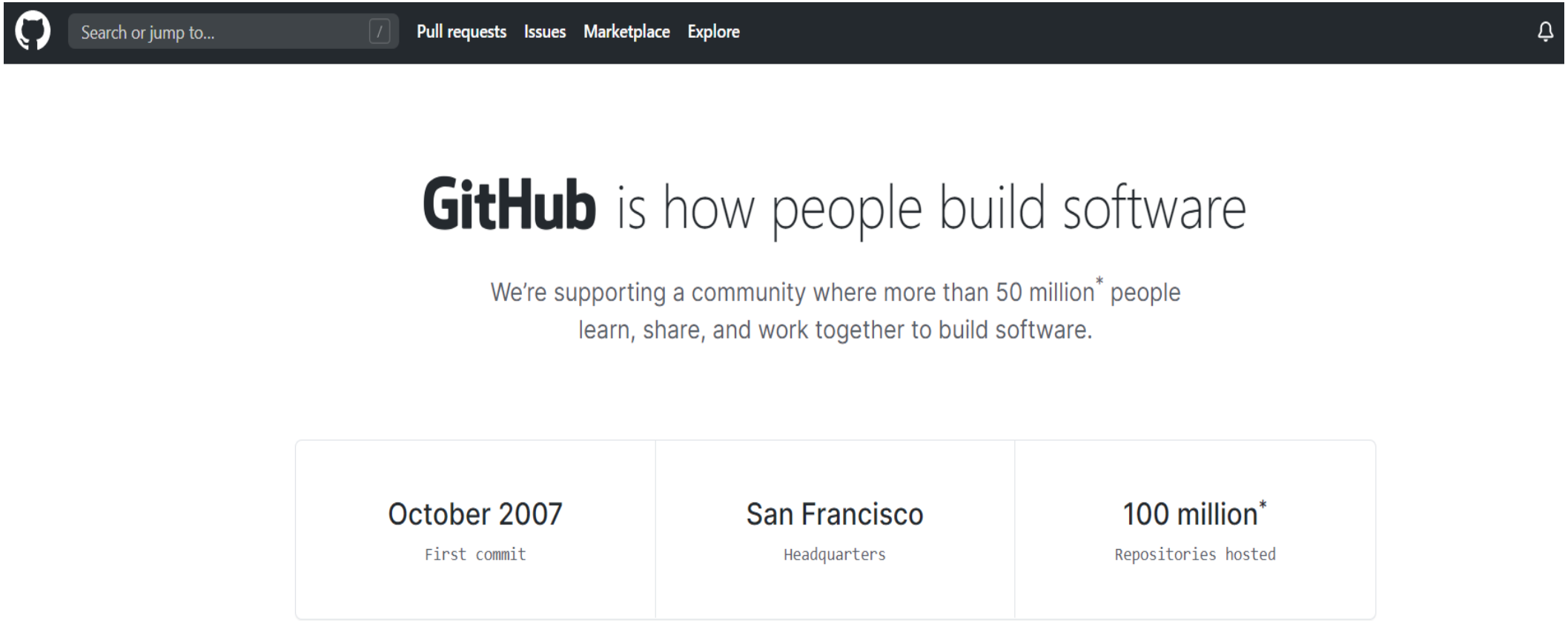
VMware Event Broker Appliance – Part I – Deployment

Introduction

I became aware of the VMware Event Broker Appliance Fling (VEBA) in December, 2019. The VEBA fling is open source code released by VMware which allows customers to easily create event-driven automation based on vCenter Server Events. You can think of it as a way to run scripts based on alarm events – but you're not limited to only the alarm events exposed in the vCenter GUI. Instead, you have the ability to respond to ANY event in vCenter.

What is Github?



What is a repository (repo)

vmc-onboarding

Forked from bohleadam/vmc-onboarding

An example documentation site using the Docsy Hugo theme

HTML 242 Apache License 2.0 Updated 3 days ago

vcenter-event-broker-appliance

Forked from vmware-samples/vcenter-event-broker-appliance

The vCenter Event Broker Appliance enables customers to easily create event-driven automation based on vCenter Server Events

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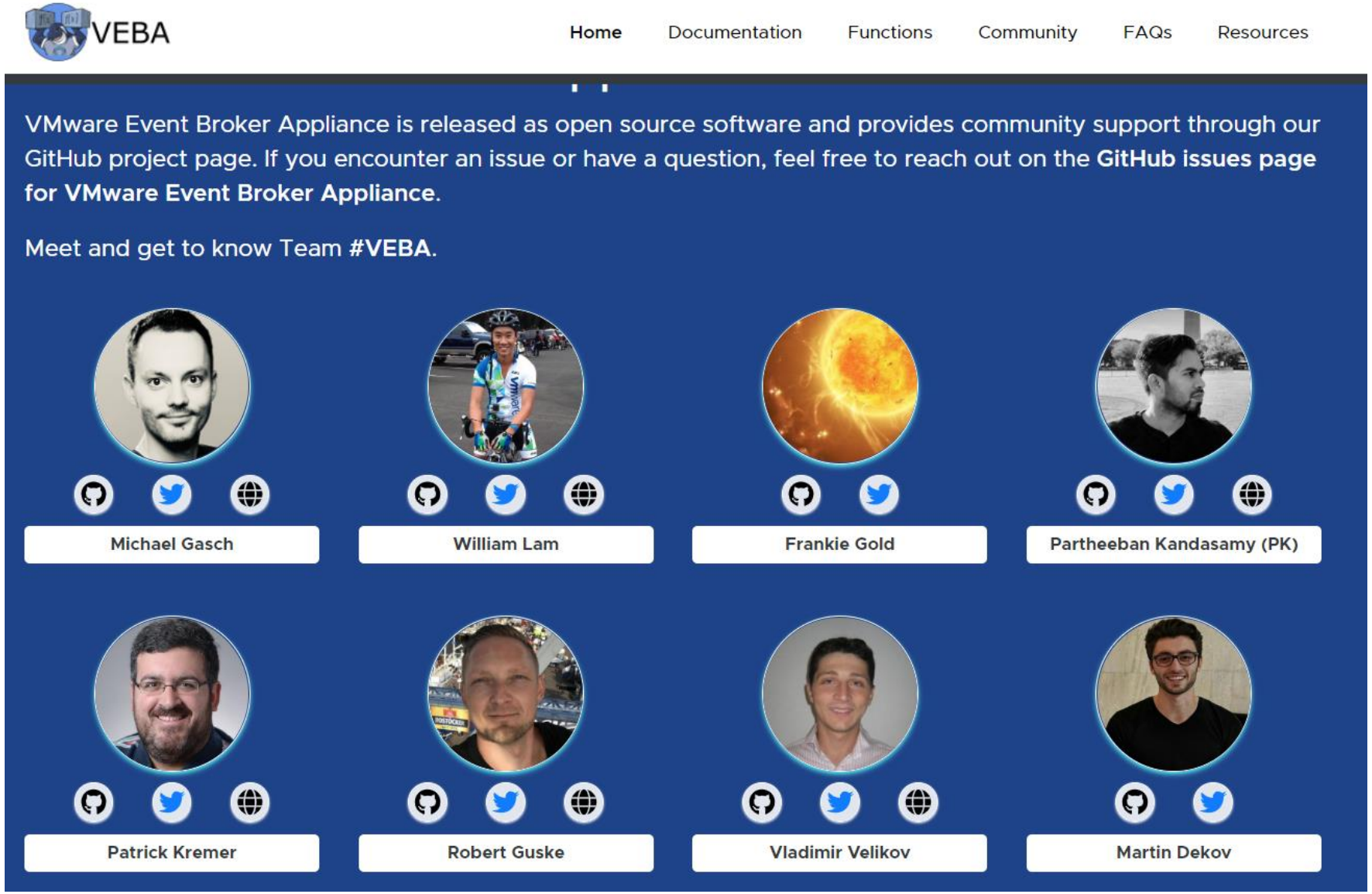
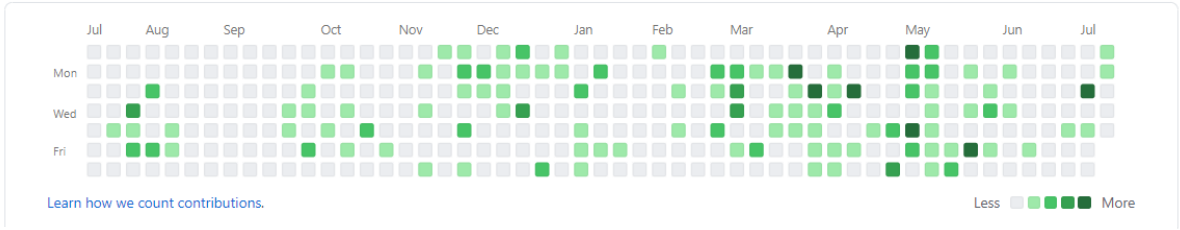


Here’s them

374 contributions in the last year



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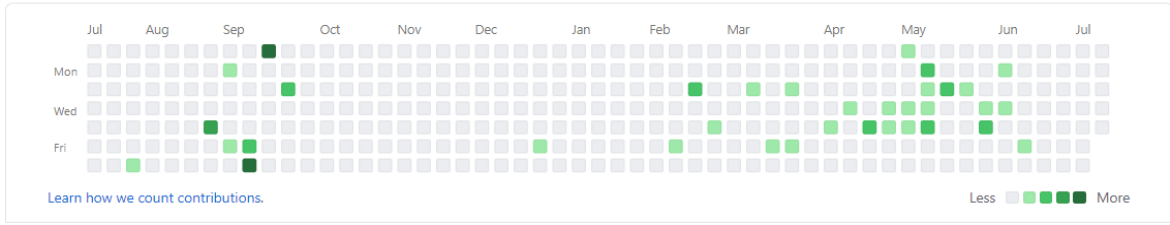

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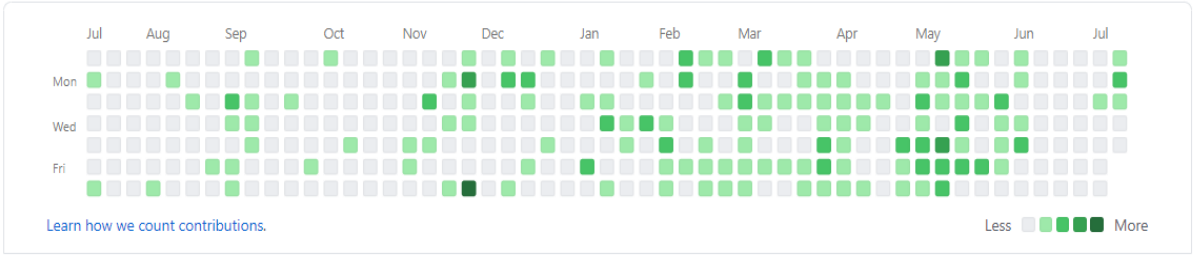

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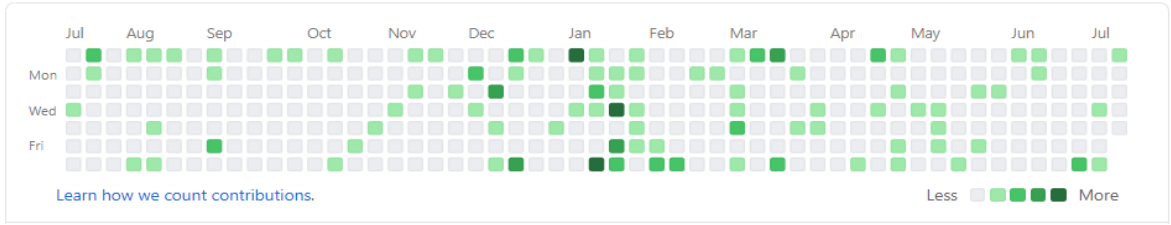

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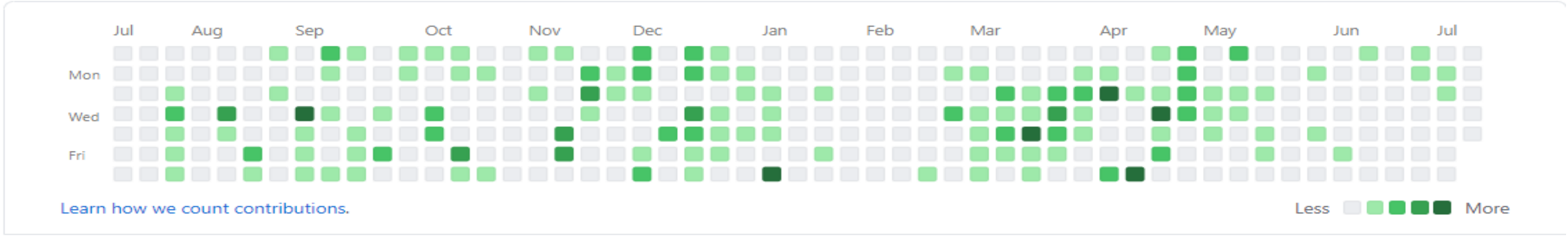

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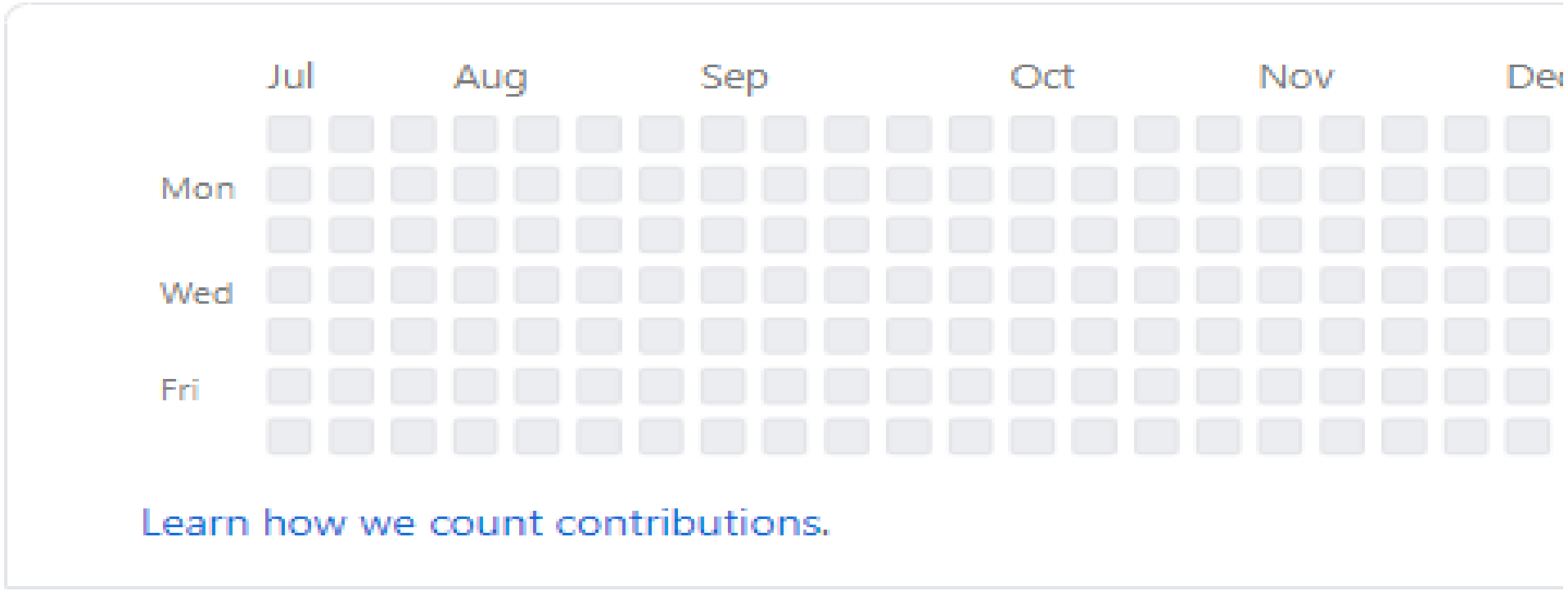
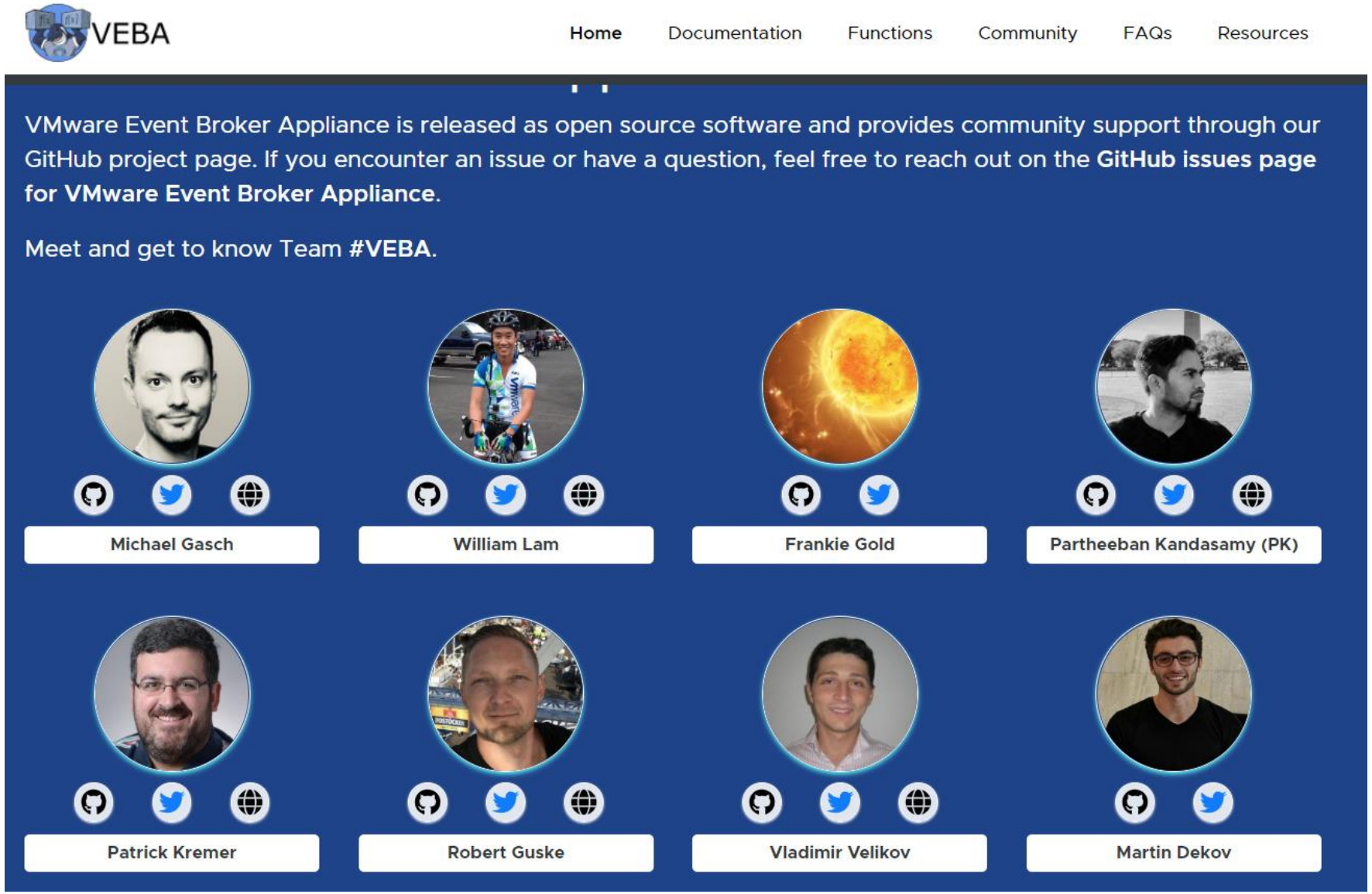


Help from the community



Using the right tools

Containers run code

Pods are a group of containers

Pods are organized into namespaces

```
root@veba02 [ ~ ]# kubectl get pods -A
NAMESPACE        NAME                                        READY   STATUS      RESTARTS   AGE
kube-system      coredns-584795fc57-4slh7                    1/1     Running     19         119d
kube-system      coredns-584795fc57-5md8p                    1/1     Running     18         119d
kube-system      etcd-veba02                                 1/1     Running     6          119d
kube-system      kube-apiserver-veba02                       1/1     Running     16         119d
kube-system      kube-controller-manager-veba02              1/1     Running     108        119d
kube-system      kube-proxy-tsw54                            1/1     Running     6          119d
kube-system      kube-scheduler-veba02                       1/1     Running     105        119d
kube-system      weave-net-fkk7d                             2/2     Running     18         119d
openfaas-fn      powercli-entermaint-794f6c66bf-s9gzk        1/1     Running     5          102d
openfaas-fn      powercli-ha-restarted-vms-679dcccd74-x2c5p   1/1     Running     1          17d
openfaas-fn      powershell-datastore-usage-597c96b584-bcfs8  1/1     Running     5          83d
openfaas         alertmanager-58f8d787d9-fmmn7               1/1     Running     6          119d
openfaas         basic-auth-plugin-dd49cd66b-lmnj2           1/1     Running     6          119d
openfaas         faas-idler-59ff9778fd-q68k8                 1/1     Running     14         119d
openfaas         gateway-74f6f9489b-br5gz                    2/2     Running     20         119d
openfaas         nats-6dfbf45d77-bblgf                       1/1     Running     6          119d
openfaas         prometheus-5f5494b54f-hxfjt                 1/1     Running     6          119d
openfaas         queue-worker-59b67bf4-rpqf9                 1/1     Running     14         119d
projectcontour   contour-5cddfc8f6-57hhp                     1/1     Running     68         119d
projectcontour   contour-5cddfc8f6-r2mxj                     1/1     Running     78         119d
projectcontour   contour-certgen-7r9dl                       0/1     Completed   0          119d
projectcontour   envoy-htrwv                                 1/1     Running     6          119d
vmware           tinywww-7fcfc6fb94-tv98j                    1/1     Running     6          119d
vmware           vmware-event-router-5dd9c8f858-n9pg6        1/1     Running     53         96d
```

Using the right tools

Pods have logs!

```
root@veba02 [ ~ ]# kubectl logs vmware-event-router-5dd9c8f858-pcq2v -n vmware

 _    ____ ___                  _____                 __     ___                  __
| |  / /  |/  /      ____ _____ / ___/ ____ ___  ____/ /_   /   \_____ _____ _/ /_____ _____
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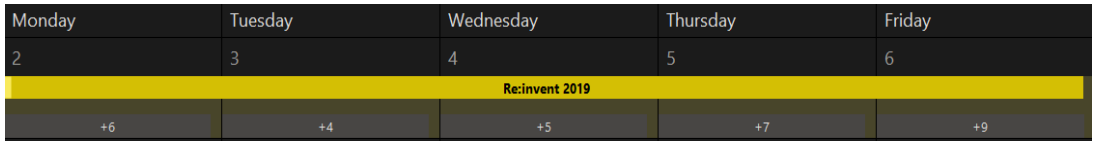
[VMware Event Router] 2020/03/03 17:15:09 connecting to vCenter https://vc01.ad.patrickkremer.com/sdk
[VMware Event Router] 2020/03/03 17:15:09 connecting to OpenFaaS gateway http://gateway.openfaas:8080 (async mode: false)
[VMware Event Router] 2020/03/03 17:15:09 exposing metrics server on 0.0.0.0:8080 (auth: basic_auth)
[Metrics Server] 2020/03/03 17:15:09 starting metrics server and listening on "http://0.0.0.0:8080/stats"
2020/03/03 17:15:09 Syncing topic map
of topics: [][OpenFaaS] 2020/03/03 17:15:09 processing event [0] of type *types.UserLogoutSessionEvent from source https://vc01.
```

I fixed a typo in Github



Fixed typo 'read_debuge -> read_debug' #15

Merged **embano1** merged 1 commit into `vmware-samples:master` from `unknown repository` on Dec 10, 2019

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2 examples/python/tagging/README.MD

```
@@ -73,7 +73,7 @@ functions:
73 73        image: embano1/pytag-fn:0.2
74 74        environment:
75 75          write_debug: true
76    -        read_debuge: true
   76 +        read_debug: true
77 77        secrets:
78 78          - vcconfig # leave as is unless you changed the name during the creation of the vCenter credentials secrets above
79 79        annotations:
```

I fixed documentation

Fixes to documentation and sample config files for openfaas #18

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Conversation 4 | Commits 1 | Checks 0 | Files changed 7

Changes from all commits | File filter... | Jump to... | 0 / 7 files viewed

2 examples/powercli/hostmaint-alarms/README.md

```
@@ -23,7 +23,7 @@ faas-cli secret create vcconfig --from-file=vcconfig.json --tls-no-verify
23 23   2. Update the gateway in the stack.yml file with your vCenter Event Broker Appliance address and deploy the functions.
24 24   ```yaml
25 25   provider:
26    -   name: faas
   26 +   name: openfaas
27 27     gateway: https://veba.yourdomain.com
28 28   ...
29 29   ```
```

2 examples/powercli/hostmaint-alarms/stack.yml

```
...  ...  @@ -1,6 +1,6 @@
1    1    version: 1.0
```

Expanding my knowledge over time

Part I – VMware Event Broker Appliance – Deployment

Part Ia – AWS EventBridge Deployment

Part II – VMware Event Broker Appliance – Sample Code Prereqs

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Part X – Building the Appliance OVA from source code

Part XI – Changing options in the OVA installer

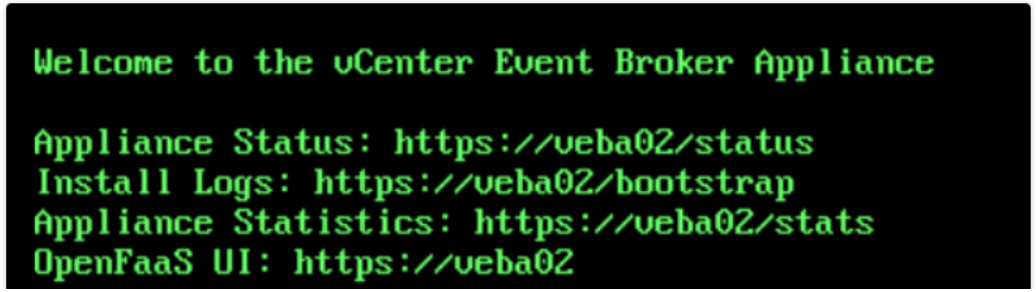
Part XII – Advanced Function Troubleshooting

Installation

vSphere	4 settings
vCenter Server	IP Address or Hostname of vCenter Server vc01.ad.patrickkremer.c
vCenter Username	Username to login to vCenter Server administrator@vsphere.

This is what the VEBA looks like during first boot

If you end up with this, [IP] in brackets instead of your hostname, something has failed. Did you use a subnet mask instead of CIDR? Did you put comma-separated DNS instead of space? Did you put in the incorrect gateway? If you enabled debugging at deploy time, you can look at /var/log/boostrap-debug.log for detailed debug logs to help you pinpoint the error. If not, see what you can find in /var/log/boostrap.log



Troubleshooting

PROTIP: *kubectl get pods -A* gives you all the pods and their associated namespaces in one command.

vmcveba01 - PuTTY

```
root@vmcveba01 [ ~ ]# kubectl get pods -A
NAMESPACE         NAME                                        READY   STATUS      RESTARTS   AGE
kube-system       coredns-584795fc57-4bdgl                    1/1     Running     0          31h
kube-system       coredns-584795fc57-4q5gp                    1/1     Running     0          31h
kube-system       etcd-vmcveba01                              1/1     Running     0          31h
kube-system       kube-apiserver-vmcveba01                    1/1     Running     0          31h
kube-system       kube-controller-manager-vmcveba01           1/1     Running     0          31h
kube-system       kube-proxy-k86vw                            1/1     Running     0          31h
kube-system       kube-scheduler-vmcveba01                    1/1     Running     0          31h
kube-system       weave-net-km5zx                             2/2     Running     1          31h
openfaas-fn       powershell-datastore-usage-847d5c7875-286hv  1/1     Running     0          24h
openfaas          alertmanager-58f8d787d9-47zsj               1/1     Running     0          31h
openfaas          basic-auth-plugin-dd49cd66b-dw5lj           1/1     Running     0          31h
openfaas          faas-idler-59ff9778fd-krrnk                 1/1     Running     2          31h
openfaas          gateway-74f6f9489b-tf4hm                    2/2     Running     2          31h
openfaas          nats-6dfbf45d77-9dd8r                       1/1     Running     0          31h
openfaas          prometheus-5f5494b54f-zqzm7                 1/1     Running     0          31h
openfaas          queue-worker-59b67bf4-crplq                 1/1     Running     2          31h
projectcontour    contour-5cddfc8f6-24jbk                     1/1     Running     0          31h
projectcontour    contour-5cddfc8f6-69zmv                     1/1     Running     0          31h
projectcontour    contour-certgen-nkv9d                       0/1     Completed   0          31h
projectcontour    envoy-hk8q6                                 1/1     Running     0          31h
vmware            tinywww-7fcfc6fb94-6vtl7                    1/1     Running     0          31h
vmware            vmware-event-router-5dd9c8f858-nph7k        1/1     Running     0          31h
```

Git commands

```
pkremer@pkremer-w02 MINGW64 ~/OneDrive - VMware, Inc/VMware/git/vcenter-event-broker-appliance4 (master)
$ git diff
diff --git a/getting-started.md b/getting-started.md
index fbf9808..fe9f834 100644
--- a/getting-started.md
+++ b/getting-started.md
@@ -139,7 +139,7 @@ Lastly, define the vCenter event which will trigger this function. Such function

 ```yaml
 provider:
-  name: faas
+  name: openfaas
   gateway: https://VEBA_FQDN_OR_IP # replace with your vCenter Event Broker Appliance environment
 functions:
   pytag-fn:
@@ -148,7 +148,7 @@ functions:
     image: embano1/pytag-fn:0.2
     environment:
       write_debug: true
-      read_debuge: true
+      read_debug: true
     secrets:
       - vcconfig # leave as is unless you ch
     annotations:
@@ -163,7 +163,7 @@ After you've performed th

 ```bash
 faas-cli template pull # only required durin
-faas deploy -f stack.yml --tls-no-verify
+faas-cli deploy -f stack.yml --tls-no-verify
```

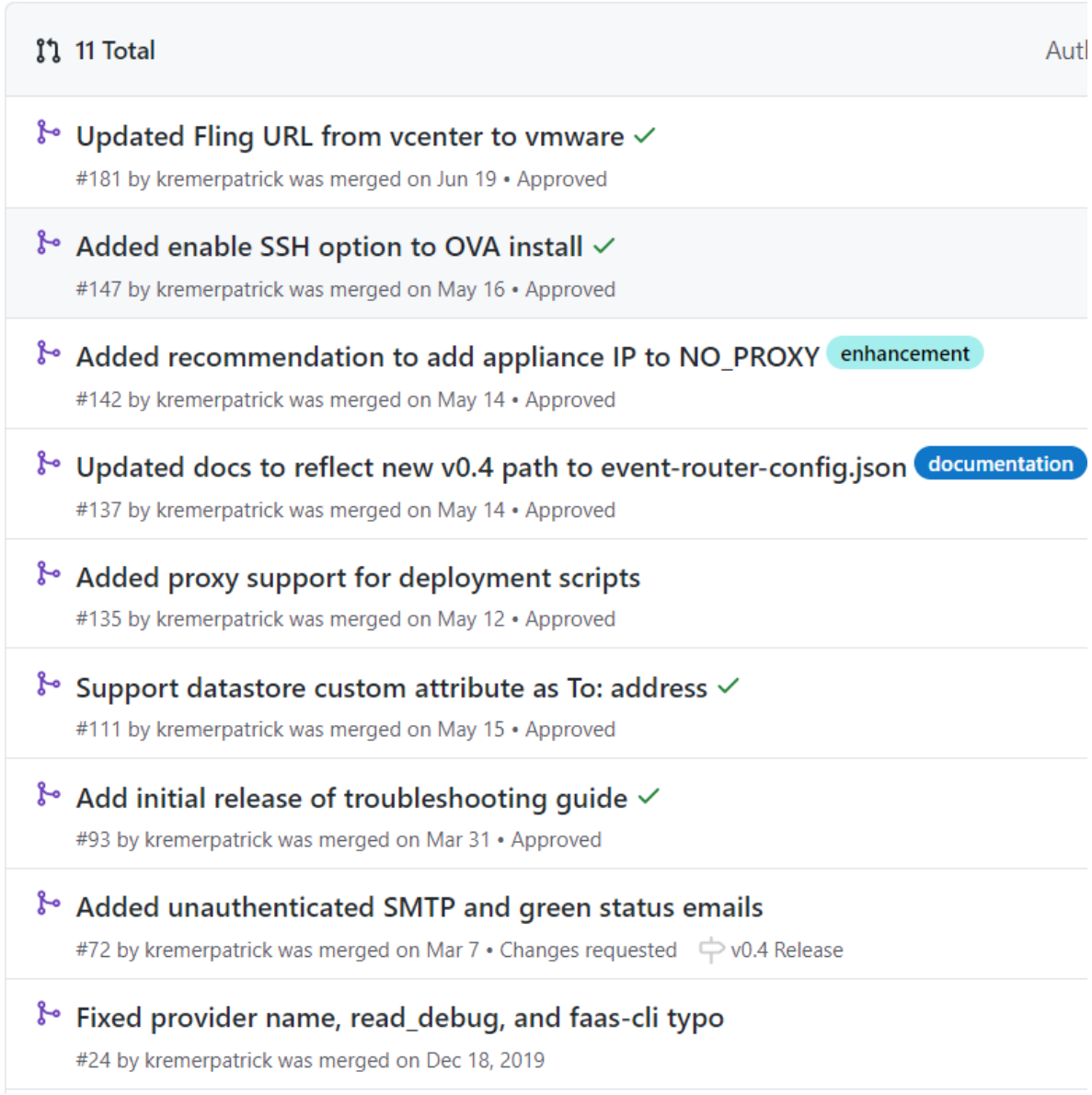
Everything looks good in the diff. Time to commit the code. I issue the command *git commit -a -s*

-a stands for “all”, meaning we want to commit all changed files. I only changed one in this case, but if you changed multiple files, the -a switch is one way to commit all of them.

-s means that I’m signing the file with the user.name and user.email variables that we populated above.

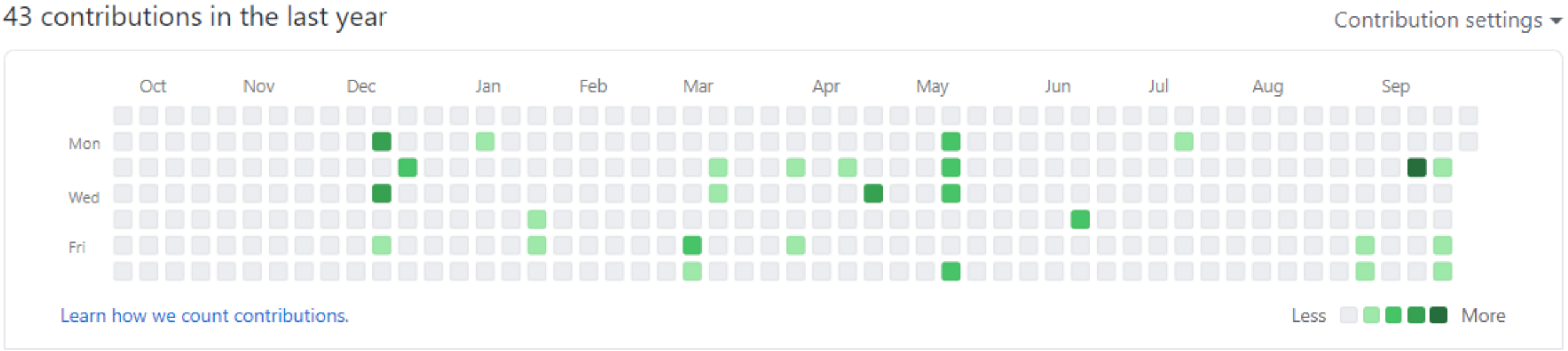
When I issue the command, git pops open my text editor of choice. I need to write a comment documenting my changes. I write it, save it, then close the text editor.

Documentation, code, and more



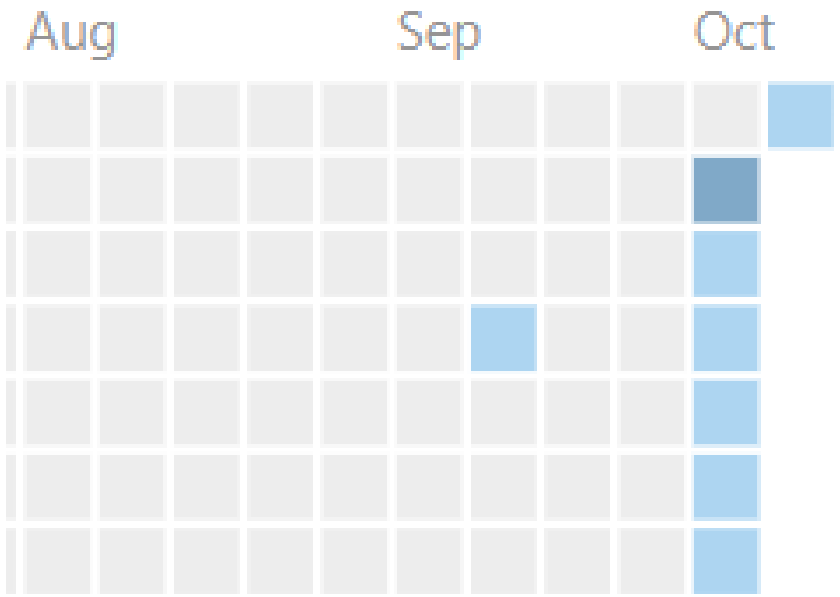
Contributing to open source

Github contributions



Contributing to internal projects

Expanded visibility and opportunity with VMware



Activity

Patrick Kremer @pkremer
Pushed to branch `master` at [redacted]
`c8002e96` · Delete [redacted]

Patrick Kremer @pkremer
Pushed to branch `master` at [redacted]
`0f543879` · Split [redacted]

Patrick Kremer @pkremer
Pushed to branch `master` at [redacted]
`e1f690e2` · Added [redacted]

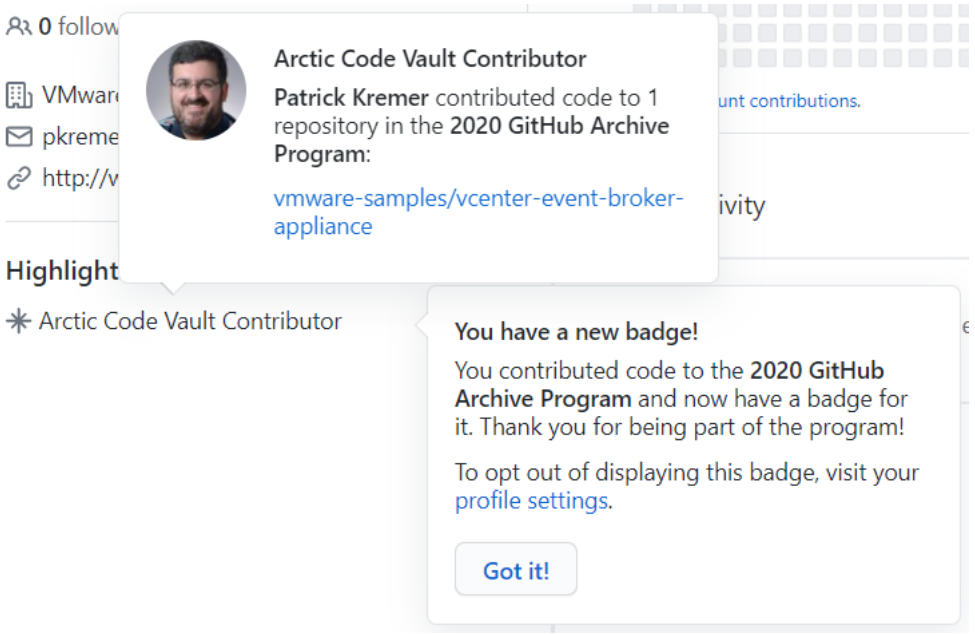
Patrick Kremer @pkremer
Pushed to branch `master` at [redacted]
`5b498db6` · Cleaning [redacted]

Contributing to open source

https://archiveprogram.github.com/

The GitHub Arctic Code Vault

The GitHub Arctic Code Vault is a data repository preserved in the Arctic World Archive (AWA), a very-long-term archival facility 250 meters deep in the permafrost of an Arctic mountain. The archive is located in a decommissioned coal mine in the Svalbard archipelago, closer to the North Pole than the Arctic Circle. GitHub will capture a snapshot of every active public repository on 02/02/2020 and preserve that data in the Arctic Code Vault.

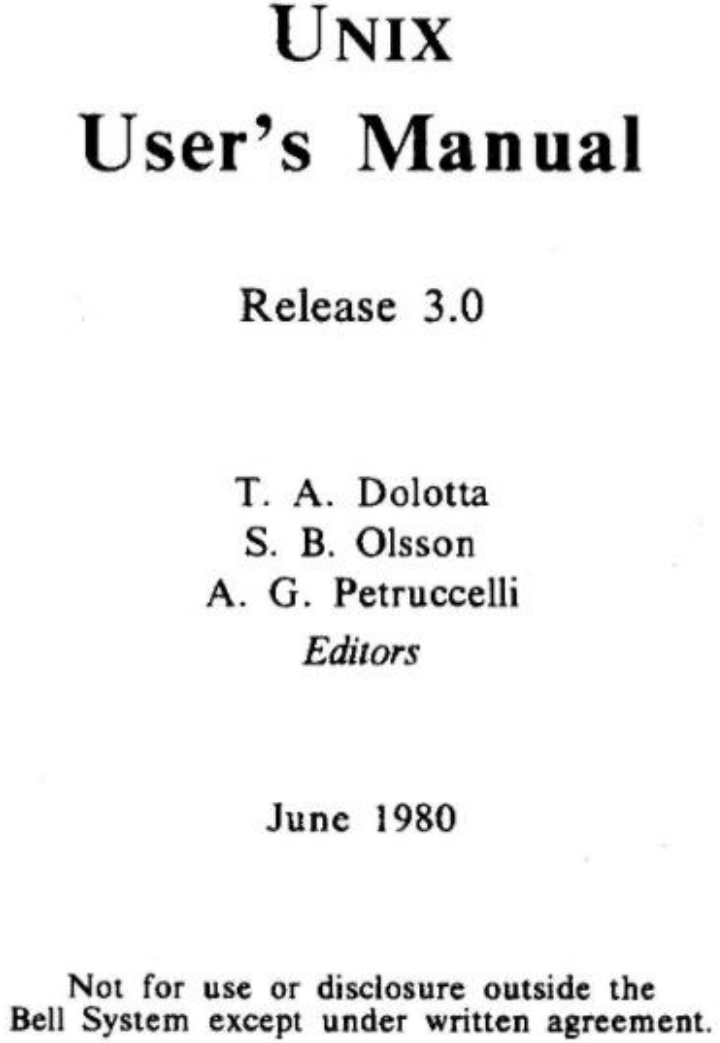


xargs – Everything old is new again

2 examples/powercli/hostmaint-alarms/template/powercli/template.yml

```
...  ...  @@ -1,3 +1,3 @@
 1    1     language: powercli
 2         - fprocess: xargs pwsh ./function/script.ps1
          2 + fprocess: xargs -0 -I '{}' pwsh ./function/script.ps1 "'{}'"
 3    3
```

How old is xargs? At least 40 years.



UNIX

User's Manual

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XARGS(1) XARGS(1)

NAME

xargs — construct argument list(s) and execute command

SYNOPSIS

xargs [flags] [command [initial-arguments]]

DESCRIPTION

Xargs combines the fixed *initial-arguments* with arguments read from standard input to execute the specified *command* one or more times. The number of arguments read for each *command* invocation and the manner in which they are combined are determined by the flags specified.

Command, which may be a shell file, is searched for, using one's **$PATH**. If *command* is omitted, **/bin/echo** is used.

Arguments read in from standard input are defined to be contiguous strings of characters delimited by one or more blanks, tabs, or new-lines; empty lines are always discarded. Blanks and tabs may be embedded as part of an argument if escaped or quoted: Characters enclosed in quotes (single or double) are taken literally, and the delimiting quotes are removed. Outside of quoted strings a backslash (\) will escape the next character.

Each argument list is constructed starting with the *initial-arguments*, followed by some number of arguments read from standard input (Exception: see **−i** flag). Flags **−i**, **−l**, and **−n** determine how arguments are selected for each command invocation. When none of these flags are coded, the *initial-arguments* are followed by arguments read continuously from stan-

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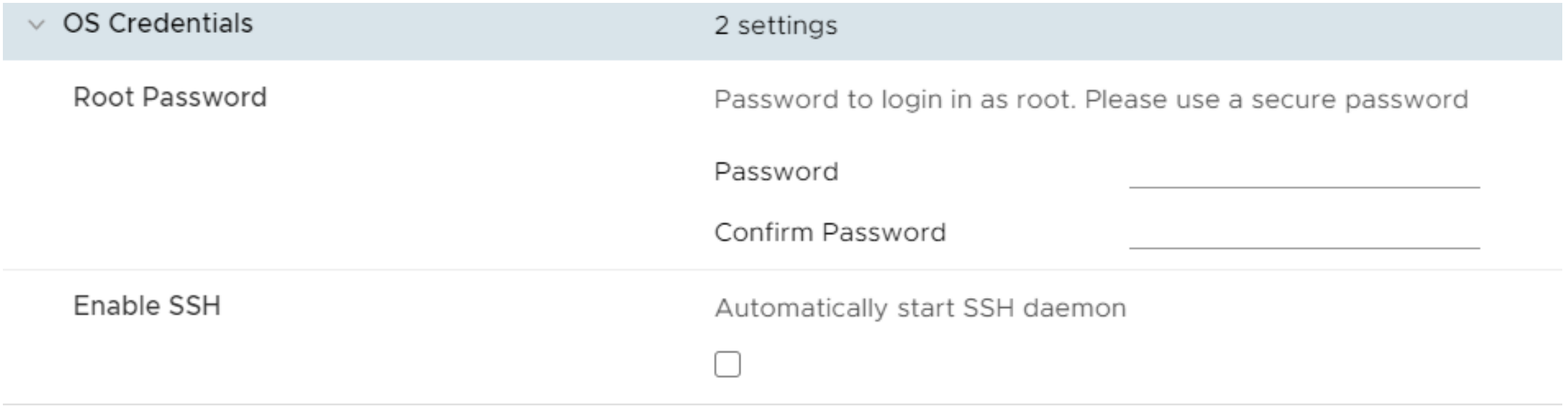
My checkbox



My checkbox

```
9         - systemctl disable sshd
10        - systemctl stop sshd
9       + if [ "${ENABLE_SSH}" == "true" ]; then
10      +     systemctl enable sshd
11      +     systemctl start sshd
12      + else
13      +     systemctl disable sshd
14      +     systemctl stop sshd
15      + fi
```

```
21  21  ROOT_PASSWORD=$(vmtoolsd --cmd "info-get guestinfo.ovfEnv" | grep "guestinfo.root_password" | awk -F 'oe:value="' '{print $2}' | awk -F '"' '{print $1}')
    22  + ENABLE_SSH=$(vmtoolsd --cmd "info-get guestinfo.ovfEnv" | grep "guestinfo.enable_ssh" | awk -F 'oe:value="' '{print $2}' | awk -F '"' '{print $1}' | tr '[:upper:]' '
22  23  VCENTER_SERVER=$(vmtoolsd --cmd "info-get guestinfo.ovfEnv" | grep "guestinfo.vcenter_server" | awk -F 'oe:value="' '{print $2}' | awk -F '"' '{print $1}')
```

```
62  62          </Property>
    63  +       <Property ovf:key="guestinfo.enable_ssh" ovf:type="boolean" ovf:userConfigurable="true" ovf:value="false">
    64  +           <Label>Enable SSH</Label>
    65  +           <Description>Automatically start SSH daemon</Description>
    66  +       </Property>
```

Create your own checkbox

VEBA Docs: https://vmweventbroker.io/

VEBA download: https://vmware.com/go/veba

My VEBA Blog: http://patrickkremer.com/veba

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