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Beginner's Guide to ThousandEyes

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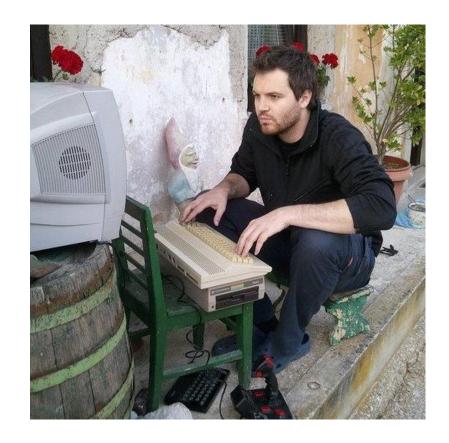


Introduction

Primož Kolman

Global Solutions Architect
Cisco ThousandEyes

- Software development and computer networks background
- Joined ThousandEyes in 2015
 - Various customer-facing roles





Webex App

Questions?

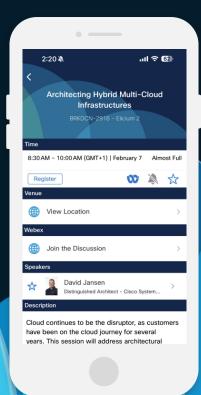
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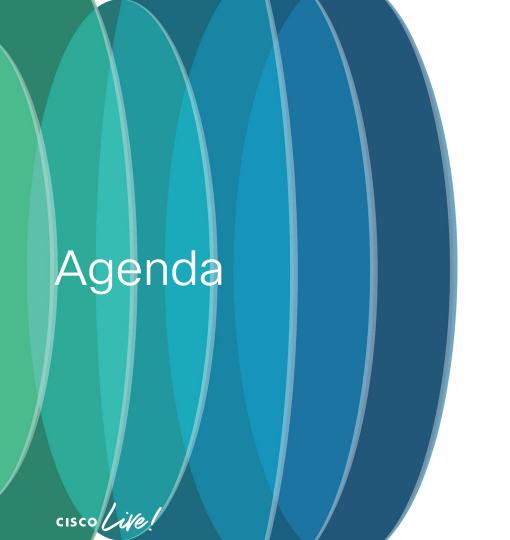
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What is your responsibility

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Introduction



What were you doing when ...?

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Why do you need ThousandEyes?





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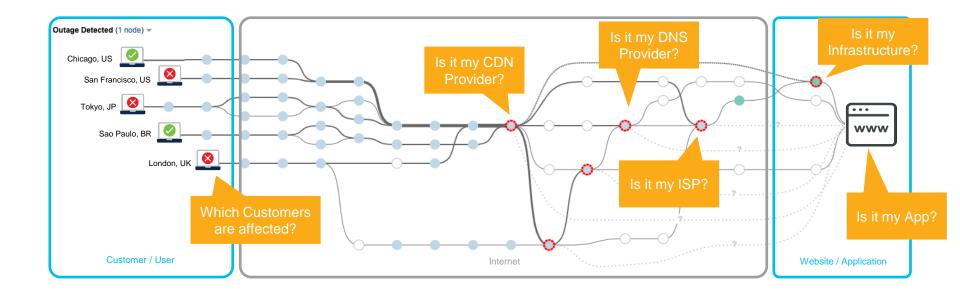






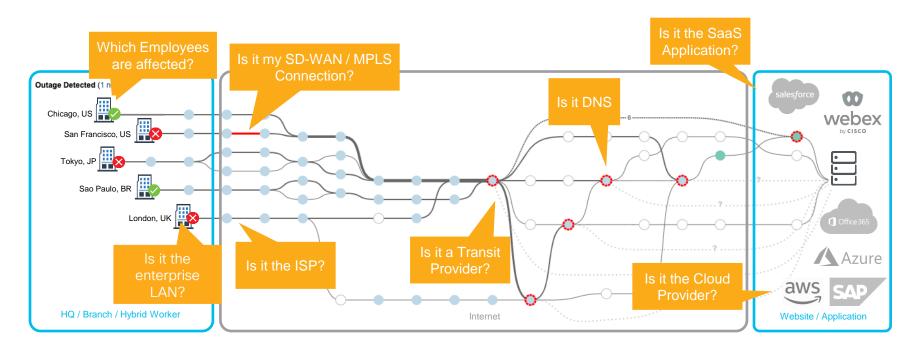


Problem Landscape: Application Provider



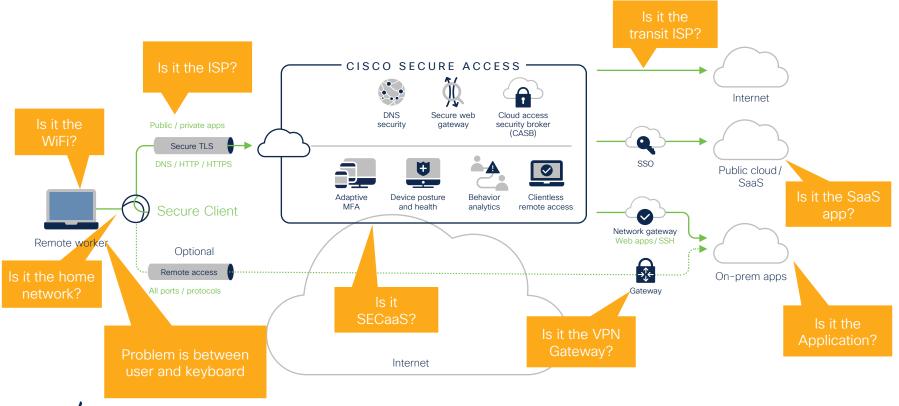


Problem Landscape: Branch Office

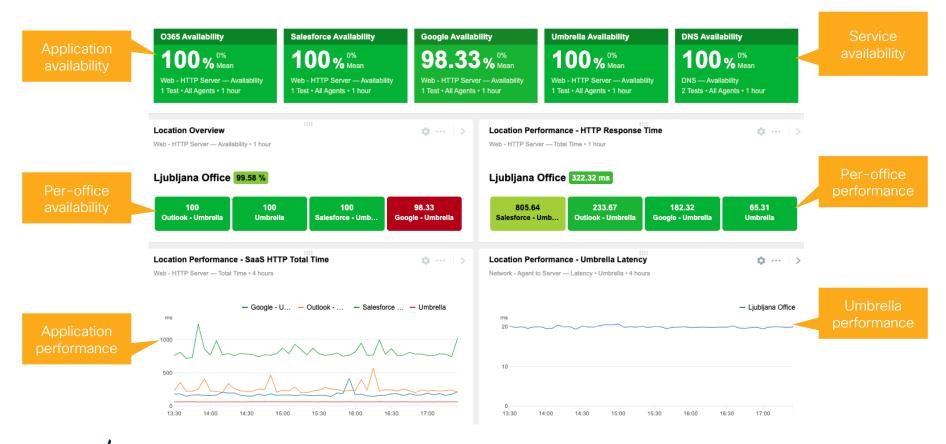




Problem Landscape: Remote Worker



ThousandEyes Dashboard





ThousandEyes Use-cases



Deliver stellar digital experiences to customers



Keep workers connected and enjoying seamless app performance



Optimize and sustain the flow of your digital supply chain



ThousandEyes Use-cases







You are an online service provider (retail, bank, SaaS, ...)

Your customers are everywhere.

You monitor your applications and APIs.

Your workers rely on business-critical applications while working from anywhere.

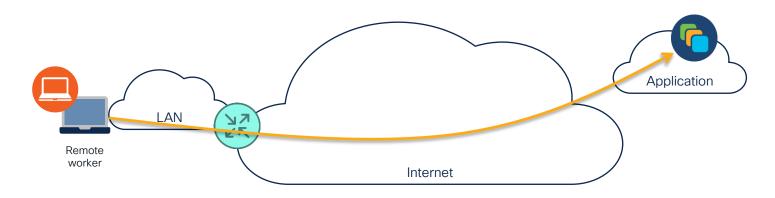
You monitor the applications your employees use, on-prem or in the cloud.

You own your network infrastructure, but also rely on Cloud, SD-WAN and SSE.

You monitor the network between your campus, branch offices, DCs and multicloud.



How Do We Do It?



- We generate our own synthetic traffic (Cloud, Enterprise and Endpoint Agent)
- We passively gather data from the client (Endpoint Agent)
- We passively gather data from network devices (Device Layer)

- No packet captures
- No flow monitoring ... yet

ThousandEyes Agents



Cloud Agents

- Installed in 268 cities and 66 countries around the world
- Broadband ISPs
- Cloud providers (AWS, Azure, GCP, Alibaba)
- Webex DCs













Enterprise Agents

- Install them in your offices
 - On Cisco devices, as VMs, Docker containers, Intel NUC appliances
- Perform active application and network performance monitoring



Endpoint Agents

- Install them on your employees' computers (Windows & macOS)
- Perform active application and network tests
- Passively collect performance data (WiFi metrics, CPU, ...)















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Customer Digital Experience



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Cloud Agents

- They are as close to your real users experience as possible
- Installed in 277 cities and 70 countries around the world
 - Broadband ISPs
 - Cloud providers (AWS, Azure, GCP, Alibaba)
 - Webex data centers
 - Mobile edge compute (AWS Wavelength)





Workforce Digital Experience



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Endpoint Agent

- Install it on your employees' computers (Windows & macOS)
 - Manual, Group policy or Managed Software Center
 - Standalone or as Cisco Secure Client module
- Performs active application and network performance tests
- Passively collects performance data (WiFi metrics, CPU, ...)
- Detects and monitors VPNs, proxies
- Follows the employee wherever he works from
 - Work from home, office, anywhere



Endpoint Agent & Cisco Secure Access

- Endpoint agent is an important component of Cisco Secure Access Experience Insights
- Comes for free with Cisco Secure Access, albeit not with full functionality (Experience Insights license)





Enterprise Digital Experience



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Enterprise Agent

- Install it in your office in user VLAN
 - Cisco Catalyst and Meraki MX Series
 - VM, Docker, Intel NUC, Raspberry Pi
 - Install on whatever available, Cisco devices give you no visibility advantage
- Performs active application and network performance tests
 - Performs complex Web application testing (incl. SSO)
 - Can test VPN and SD-WAN underlay
- Provides constant baseline even without active users



Enterprise Agent Deployment Matrix

Platform	Web Browser Tests	Multi-interface
Virtual Appliance	Yes	Yes
Docker	Yes	Yes
Linux package (Ubuntu, RHEL)	Yes	Yes
Cat 9300, Cat 9400	Yes, with SSD	Yes
Cat 8200, Cat 8300, ISR 4000, ASR 1000, ISR 1000 X	No	No
Meraki MX	No	No
Nexus 9000	No	No
Physical Appliance on Intel NUC	Yes	Yes
Physical Appliance on Raspberry Pi	No	Yes



Cloud Insights (AWS, Azure and GCP soon)





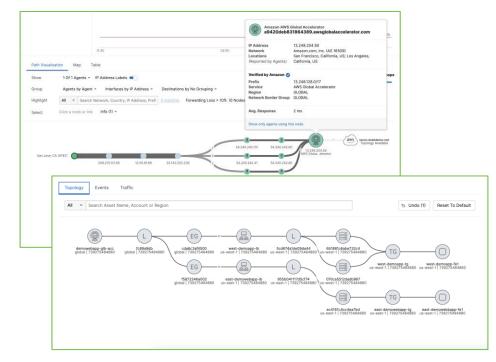
Cloud Path Enrichment and Topology Visualization

Deep visibility into public cloud infrastructure and service

dependencies.

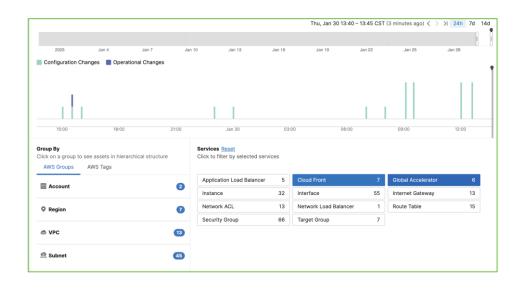
 Provide additional details when traffic traverses cloud service provider networks.

 Auto discover cloud provider resources to understand every service dependency.



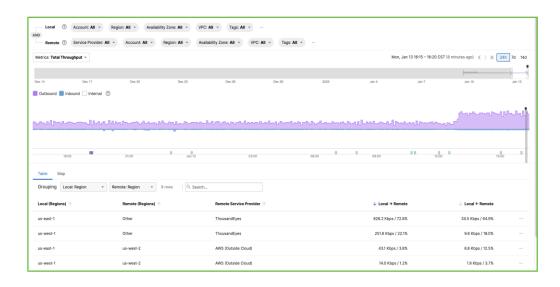
Cloud Inventory

- Enables Ops teams to quickly identify and report on configuration and operational changes that impact user experience.
- Automatically creates an inventory of all elements and services across the entire cloud infrastructure.
- Consolidated inventory reporting across all AWS accounts, regions, VPCs, etc.



Cloud Traffic Views

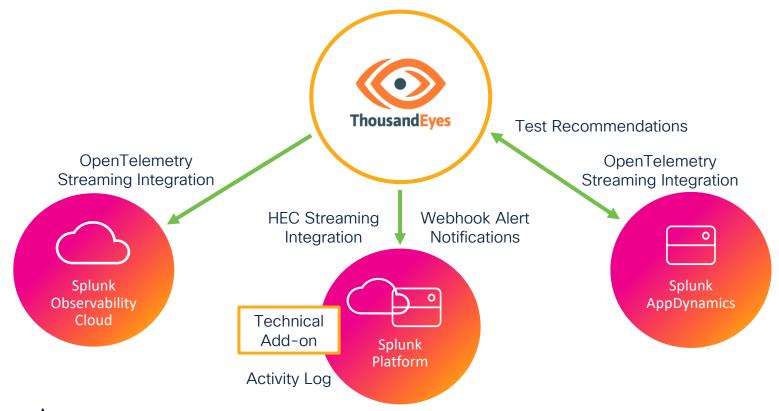
- Ingests VPC flow logs from AWS and displays traffic information in pre-built dashboards and views.
- Traffic views can be filtered by several dimensions.
 - Cloud account, region, availability zone, VPC, application
- Events takes recent configuration changes and other events.



I Want More

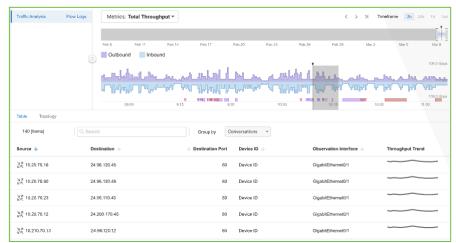


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Traffic Insights

- Corelate NetFlow data with synthetic tests for added context that accelerates troubleshooting efforts
- Vendor-agnostic analyze data from all your network infrastructure to get a holistic view of usage across your environment









Internet Insights

- Internet insights provide network and SaaS app outage detection at Internet scale
 - Visibility into network outages that disrupt your global SD-WAN mesh
 - Visibility into SaaS application outages, and its scale and geographic scope
- Eliminates unnecessary troubleshooting cycles
- Used by organizations with global customer or employee presence







Device Layer

- Device layer provides visibility into performance of your internal network devices by gathering network device topology
- Good old SNMP
 - But still very useful to get that insight into Layer 2
- Free of charge







WAN Insights

- Applies statistical models to Catalyst Analytics path metrics
- Provides network forecasts and SD-WAN policy recommendations
- Optimizes user experience across enterprise sites
- If you have Catalyst Analytics, you're already eligible to use it!







Licensing



Licensing

Product	Licensing	Example	
Cloud Agents Enterprise Agents	Using <i>Units</i> , test usage based, linear	 1 HTTP test 5-min interval on EA: 23 units / month 1 HTTP test 5-min interval on CA: 45 units / month 1 HTTP test 10-min interval on CA: 23 units / month 	
Endpoint Agent	Agent based	500 active EPAs -> 500 EPA licences3 license tiers	
Cloud Insights	Cloud Insights Essentials or Advantage Flow based, using <i>Units</i>	 Adv for 1+ cloud provider and 50+ accounts 1000 flows / second -> 300 units / month 	
Traffic Insights	Flow based, using <i>Units</i>	• 1000 flows / second -> 300 units / month	
Internet Insights	Per Region / Provider	All ISPs in North AmericaAll CDNs in EMEAAll in	
Device Layer	Free		
WAN Insights	Free with Catalyst SD-WAN Analytics		



ThousandEyes Endpoint Agent Licences

	Advantage	Essentials	Experience Insights
Buying Motion	Separate purchase	Separate purchase	Included in Secure Access
Data Retention	30 days	14 days	4 days
Browser session monitoring	Yes	Yes	No
Synthetic tests	10 dynamic and scheduled tests (mix and match)	4 dynamic and scheduled tests (mix and match)	1 dynamic test, 1 scheduled test to SSE Cloud infrastructure
Local network tests	Included	Included	Included
Machine metrics	"Top 5"	"Top 5"	"Basic"



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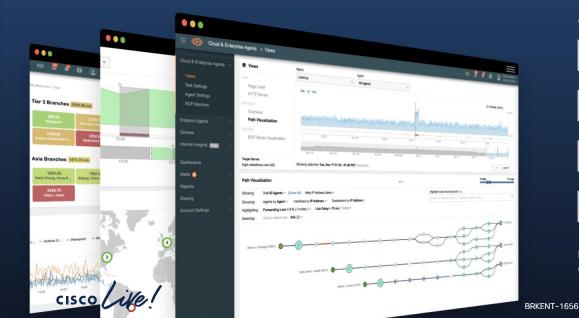


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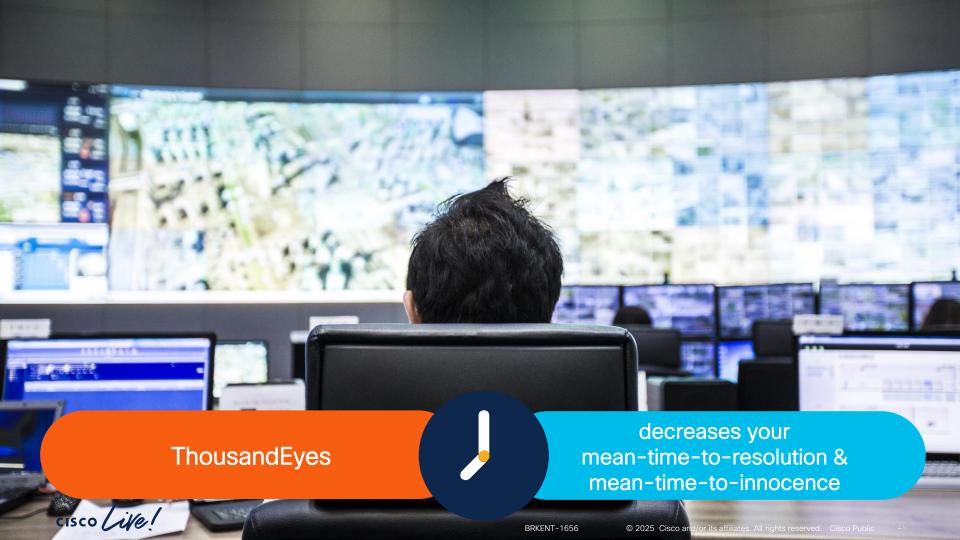
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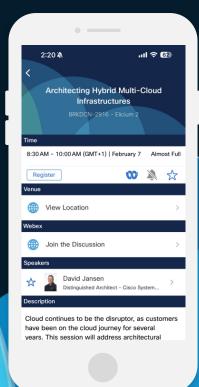
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