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**Sling Health Check::: New und noteworthy**Georg Henzler::: Netcentric







# Health Checks Recap



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## Overall goal



## Make health of a system quickly transparent to



**Operations** 



External Systems
(Monitoring, Load Balancer, DevOps)



**Testers** 



Users
(Authors, potenially end users)



### What makes a system healthy?



### **Operating System Resources**

- Memory
- Disk space
- CPU

### **Runtime Status**

- All bundles started
- Replication Queue not blocked
- Stale Workflow Instances

### **Interfaces**

Availability of third-party systems

#### Content

- App-specific Content structures
- Existence of groups
- Geometrixx Packages not installed

### Configuration

- Security Checklist
- Maintenance jobs
- App-specific configuration required

#### Performance

- Request throughput
- Average response time
- Query Performance



### Who writes and configures Health Checks





### **Developers**

- Checks for any system condition the software requires
- In Java using HC API as part of the software delivery
- Potentially deliver default configurations for checks



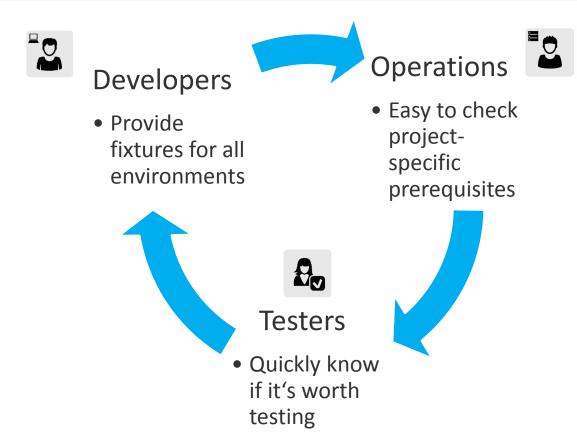
### **Operations**

- Checks for any system condition
- Using ScriptableHealthCheck (no deployment necessary, purely configurable)
- Configure all checks (out-of-the-box, from software & own)



### Improved Collaboration















# **Running Health Checks**



## Felix Console



# Adobe Experience Manager Web Console Sling Health Check



Main OSGi Sling Status Web Console		
Sling Health Check		
To execute health check services, enter an optional list of tags, to select specific health checks, or no tags for all checks. Prefix a tag with a minus sign (-) to omit checks having that tag.		
Health Check tags (comma-separated)	playground	
Show DEBUG logs		
Show failed checks only		
Execute selected health checks		
No 1: Minimal check		
Tags: [playground] Finished: Sun Sep 21 21:12:48 CEST 2014 after 1ms Result: <b>OK</b>		
INFO Ok		
No 2: Check for geometrixx translation cloud config		
Tags: [playground, content] Finished: Sun Sep 21 21:12:48 CEST 2014 after 5ms Result: <b>OK</b>		
INFO Geometrixx Site is configured correctly for translation		
No 3: Simple Async Check		
Tags: [playground, async] Finished: Sun Sep 21 21:12:40 CEST 2014 after 0ms Result: <b>OK</b>		



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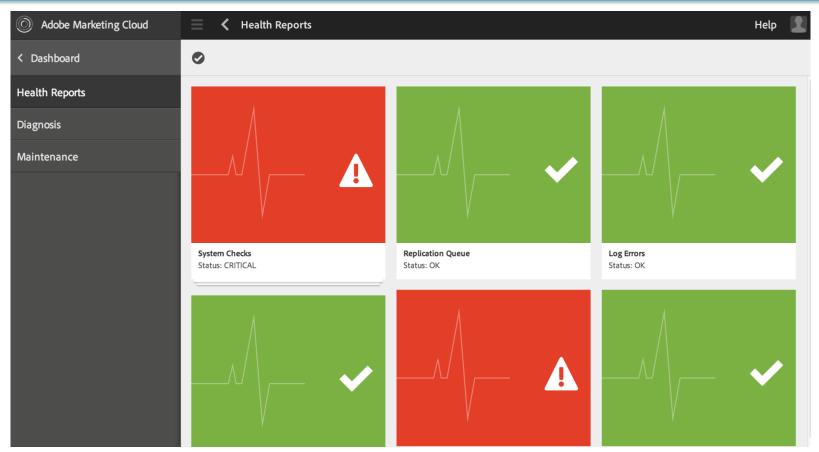
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CQ Dispatcher Configuration		
Tags: [dispatcher, production, security] Finished: Sun Sep 21 21:23:17 CEST 2014 after 0ms Result: WARN		
WARN The Dispatcher's address is not configured. Can't check the dispatcher's basic configuration.		
CQ HTML Library Manager Config		
Tags: [cq, security, production] Finished: Sun Sep 21 21:23:17 CEST 2014 after 0ms Result: WARN		
WARN The CQ HTML Library Manager configuration has not been changed. You might want to change the configuration for a production environment.		
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## **AEM6 Dashboard**



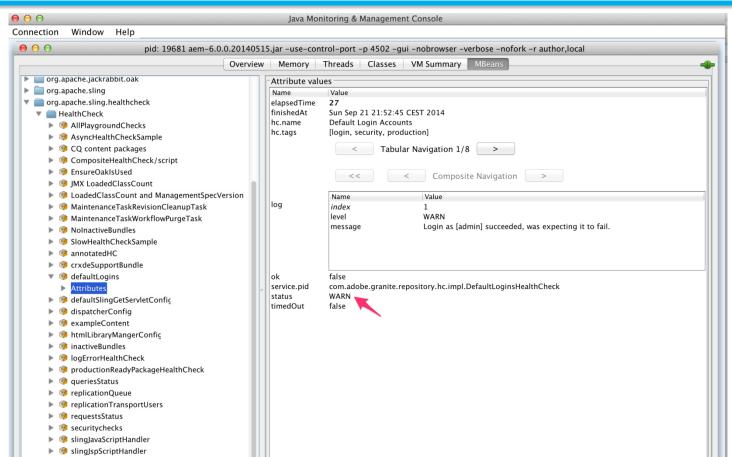
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## **JMX**

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# (Recently simplified) Programming Model



## Programming Model



### Health Checks

- implement interface org.apache.sling.hc.api.HealthCheck
- are registered as OSGi Services





- One check can be reused multiple times with different configs using configuration factory pattern
- Can be provided by any bundle (and share the lifecycle of it)
- Checks can be configured to run asynchronously
- HealthCheck Result can include exception if things went wrong





## Minimal Health Check



```
import org.apache.sling.hc.annotations.SlingHealthCheck;
import org.apache.sling.hc.api.HealthCheck;
import org.apache.sling.hc.api.Result;

@SlingHealthCheck

public class MinimalHealthCheck implements HealthCheck {
    public Result execute() {
        return new Result(Result.Status.INFO, "Ok");
    }
}
```



## A simple Health Check



```
@SlingHealthCheck(name="Xyz", tags={"dashboard"}, mbeanName="Xyz")
public class XyzHealthCheck implements HealthCheck {
    public Result execute() {
        boolean stateOfXyzOk = isStateOfXyzOk();
        if(stateOfXyzOk) {
            return new Result (Result. Status. INFO, "Xyz is ok");
        } else {
            return new Result (Result.Status.WARN, "Xyz has a problem");
```



## An asynchronous Health Check



```
@SlingHealthCheck(..., asyncCronExpression="0 30 18 * * ?")
public class XyzHealthCheck implements HealthCheck {
    public Result execute() {
        boolean stateOfXyzOk = isStateOfXyzOk();
        if(stateOfXyzOk) {
            return new Result(Result.Status.INFO, "Xyz is ok");
        } else {
            return new Result(Result.Status.WARN, "Xyz has a problem");
        }
    }
}
```

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# Using configuration



```
@SlingHealthCheck(..., configurationPolicy=ConfigurationPolicy.REQUIRE)
public class TestThresholdHealthCheck implements HealthCheck {
    @Property(label = "Threshold for WARN") private Long thresholdForWarn;
    @Activate protected final void activate (...) ...
    public Result execute() {
        long longValue = getValue();
        if(longValue>thresholdForWarn) {
          return new Result (Result. Status. WARN, "Value "+longValue
                    +" exceeds configured threshold of "+thresholdForWarn);
        } else {
            return new Result (Result. Status. INFO, "Ok");
```



## More complex results



```
public Result execute() {
     FormattingResultLog resultLog = new FormattingResultLog();
     List<Resource> resources = getResourcesToCheck();
     for (Resource resource : resources) {
         if(isResourceOk(resource)) {
             resultLog.debug("Resource {} is ok", resource);
         } else {
             resultLog.critical("Resource {} has a problem", resource);
     return new Result(resultLog);
```



## Extending the AEM6 Dashboard



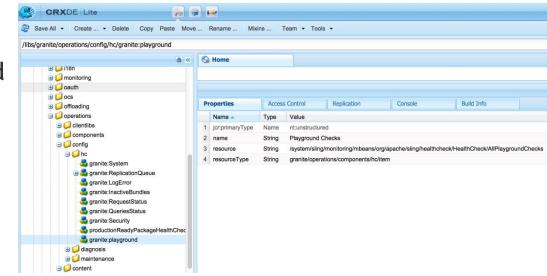
Configuration is located at /libs/granite/operations/config/hc, add yours at /apps/granite/operations/config/hc

Property resource holds link to MBean path as provided by

JMX Resource Provider

 Typically on top level a CompositeHealthCheck is used

 All checks to be shown in the dashboard need to have a mbeanName set











# (Mostly operational) Challenges



## Challenges



- Scalability & Time to result
  - Total execution time grows linearly with number of checks if executed sequentially
  - Stuck checks may block execution
  - Third-party systems don't have reliable response times
- Parallel Requests
  - ... exist for certain usage scenarios
  - Parallel execution of same check to be avoided
  - Initial JMX implementation ran check for each attribute again



## Challenges cont'd



### Robustness

- There are many sources of health checks (with potentially varying quality)
- Health checks must never worsen overall system stability

## Synchronous vs. Asynchronous execution

- Best strategy is not always clear at implementation time
- For different environments, the ideal way might differ





## Health Check Executor



### Parallel Execution

- Scales well for large systems
- Using Sling ThreadPoolManager under the hood

## Timeout Handling

- Configurable global timeout (guaranteed to return after that period)
- Return generic WARN or CRITICAL for checks that could not finish, depending on how long a check is overdue

## Caching

Results are cached (2 sec default, configurable)



## Health Check Executor cont'd



## Thread Handling

- One check is guaranteed to only use one thread at a time (timeout is shown for "hanging" checks)
- A running thread of a running health check will never be killed

## Used by

- Web Console plugin
- CompositeHealthCheck
- JMX (AEM Dashboard)
- Potentially your own custom health check results servlet







# **Questions?**