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Alpha Presentation

Detecting Security Threats from User Authentication Patterns The Capstone Experience

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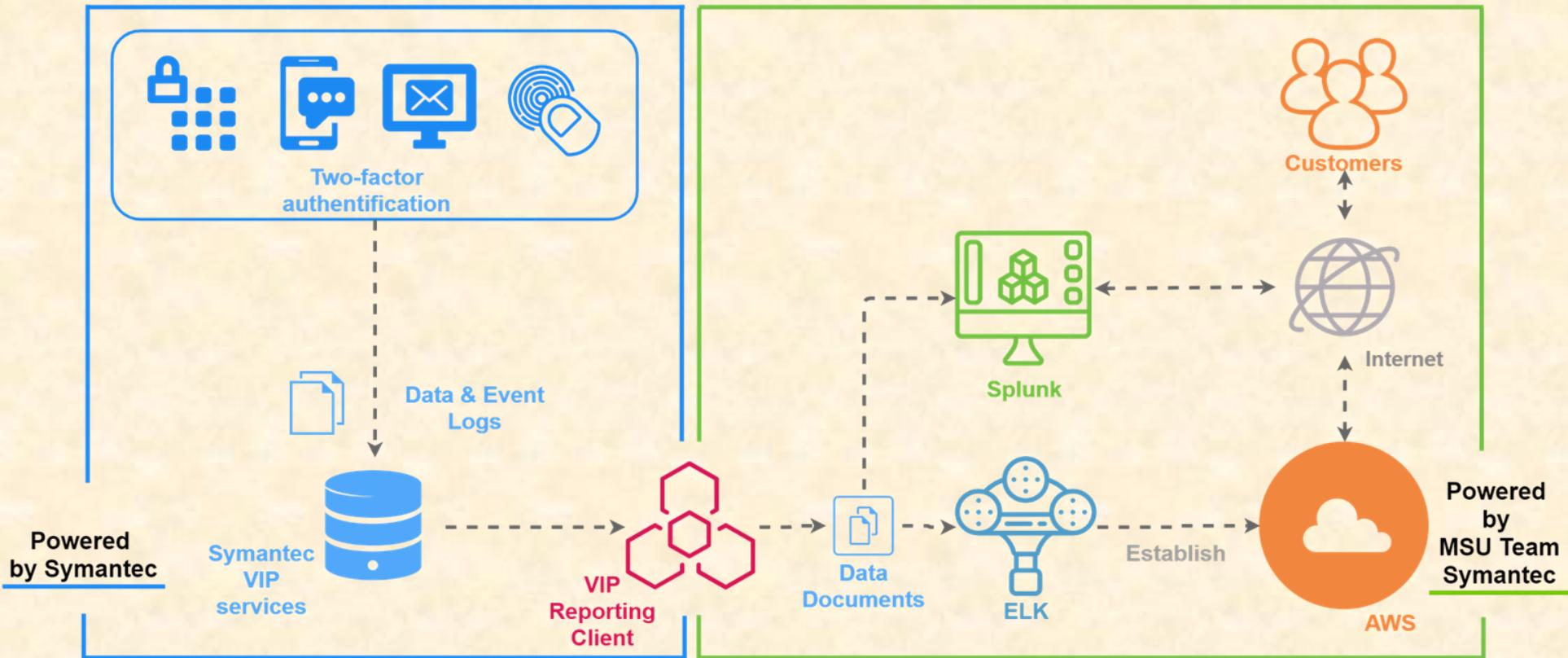
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Project Overview

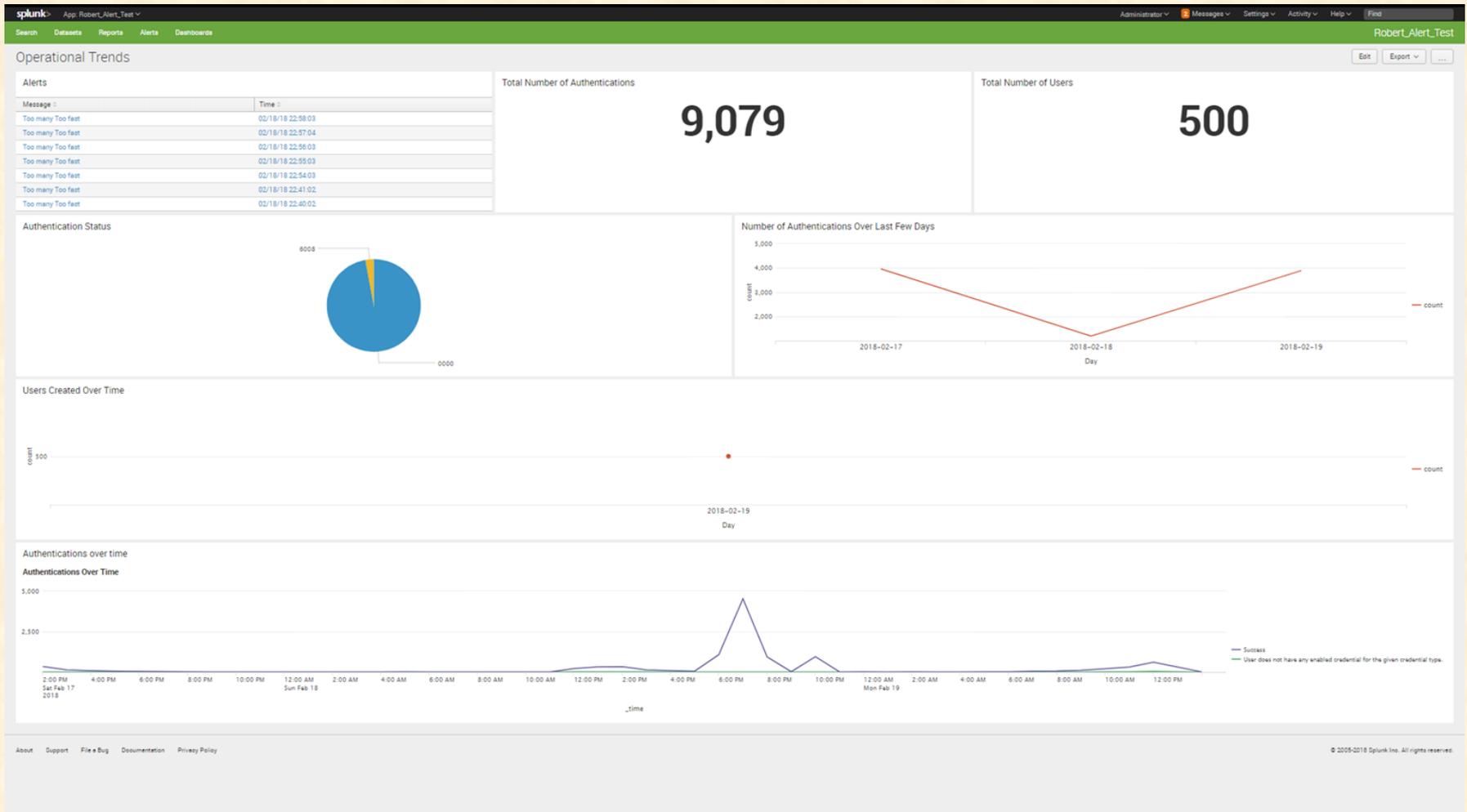
- The goal of the project is to provide VIP customers a Splunk add-on and an ELK application on an AWS AMI to visualize various operational and security trend information present in log data and analyze it in near real-time
- Both applications should alert users when suspicious or malicious activity is detected



System Architecture



Splunk Dashboard



Splunk Alerting Panel

Alerts

Message ▾

Time ▾

Too many Too fast

02/19/18 22:07:33

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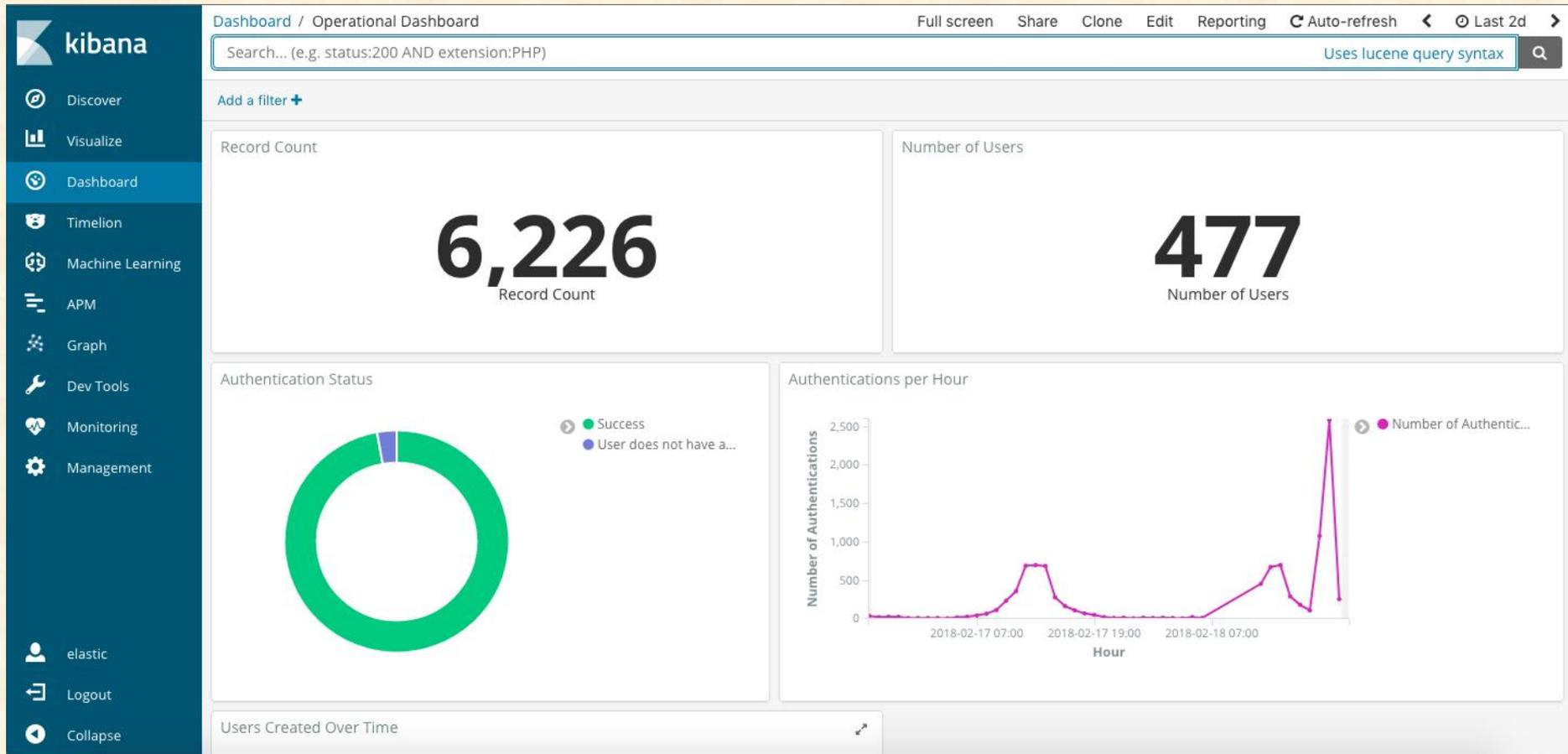
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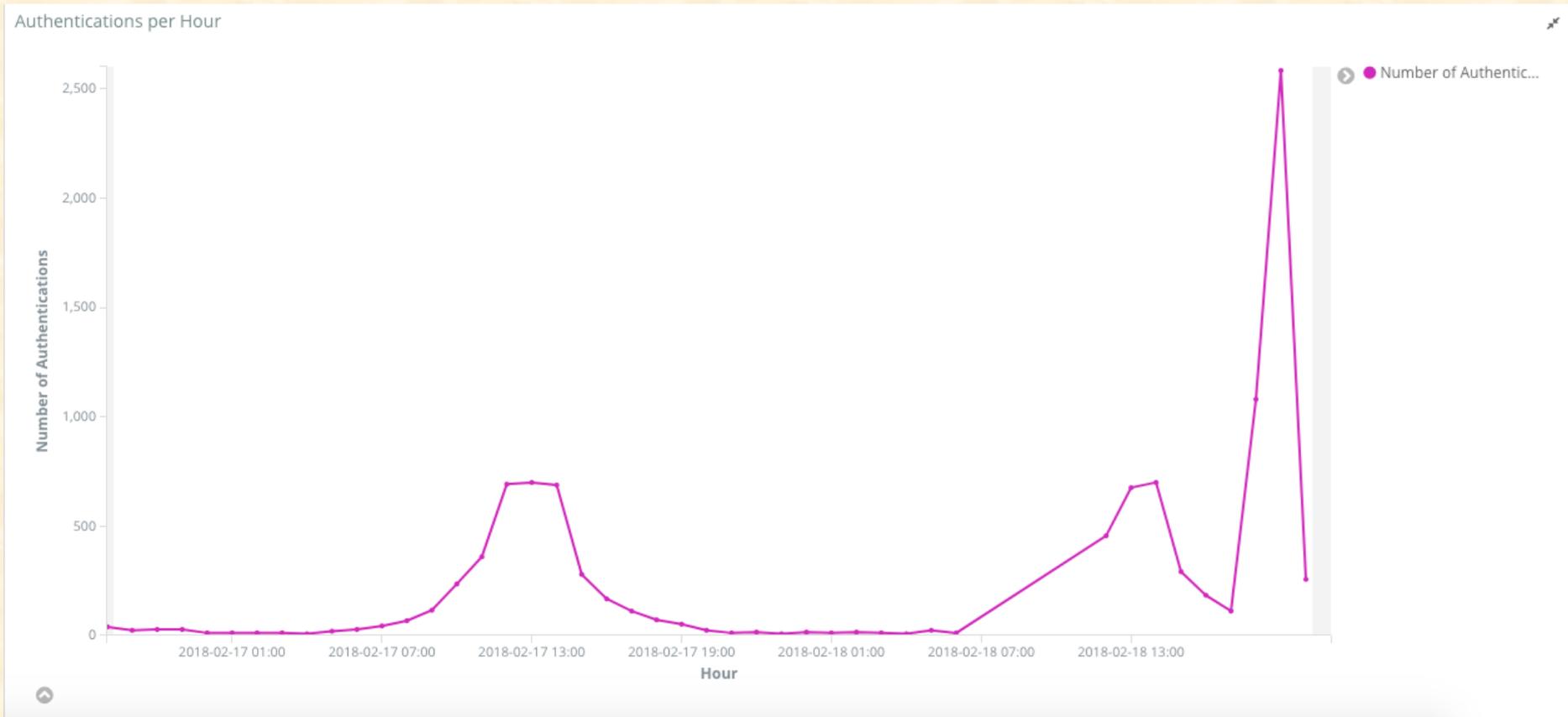
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ELK Dashboard



ELK Spike on Graph



ELK Alerting on Slack

The screenshot shows a Slack interface for a channel named **#general**. The channel description states it was created today for workspace-wide communication. The message history shows:

- Abby Urbanski joined #general at 7:13 PM.
- Abby Urbanski added an integration to this channel: [ELK Alert](#) at 7:21 PM.
- At 7:52 PM, the **Watcher** app (Kibana) sent a message: "Watch [Spike Alert] has exceeded the threshold". This message is repeated five times.
- At 8:00 PM, the **Watcher** app sent another identical message: "Watch [Spike Alert] has exceeded the threshold", which is also repeated five times.

A "new messages" indicator is visible at the bottom right of the message list. The input field at the bottom contains the text "Message #general".



What's left to do?

- Solidify the dashboards with more trends and patterns
- Identify more security related trends and have them be alerted
- Integrate input of user certificate within the applications

Questions?

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