Management of cloud native messaging based applications

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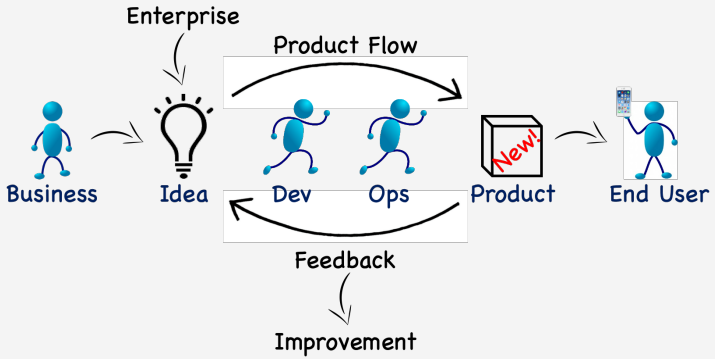
Modern(ized) applications come with new challenges



- Infrastructure complexity
- Number of technologies used
- Dynamic changes in apps
- Skills gap
- Visibility

Application modernization, frequent releases, and use of cloud services creates a challenge for IT Operations

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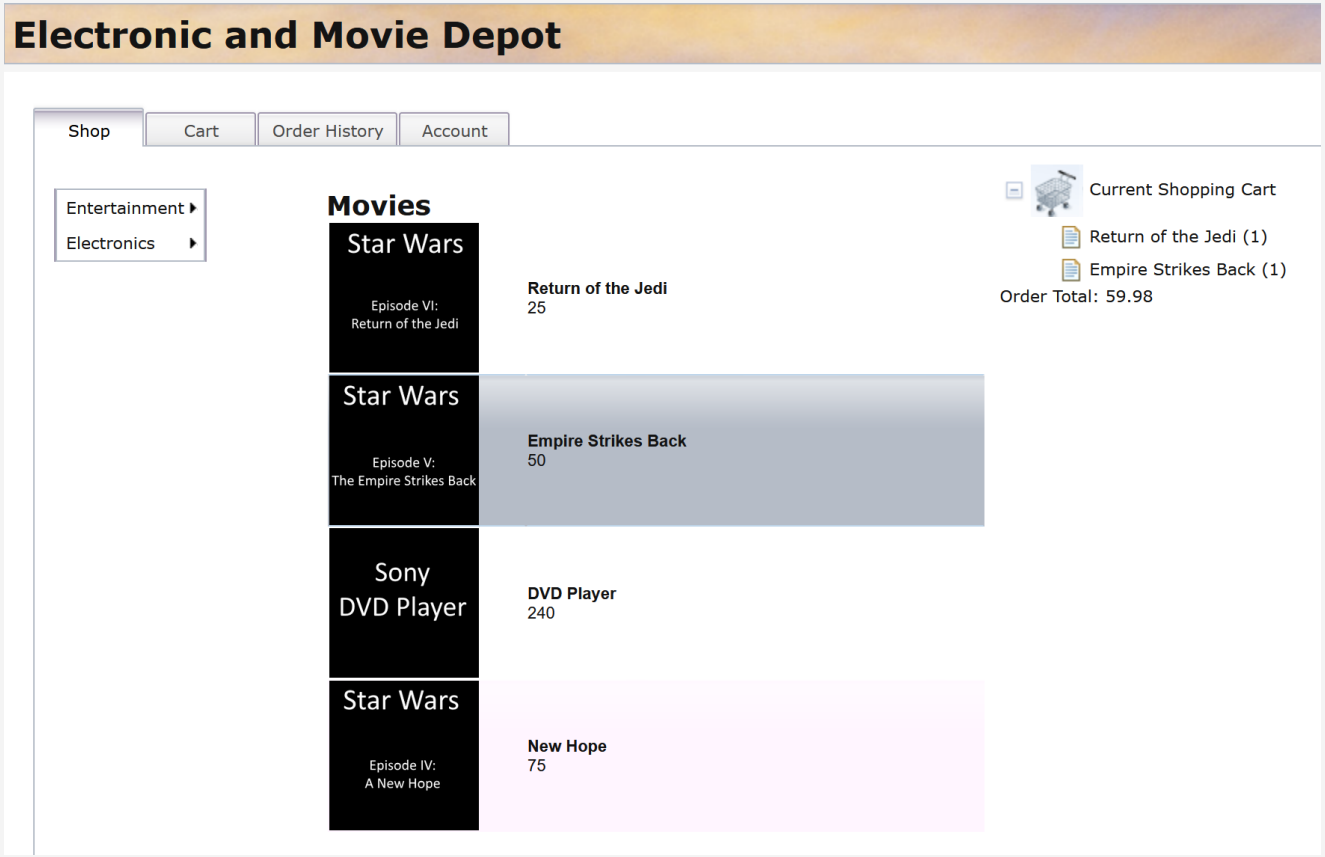

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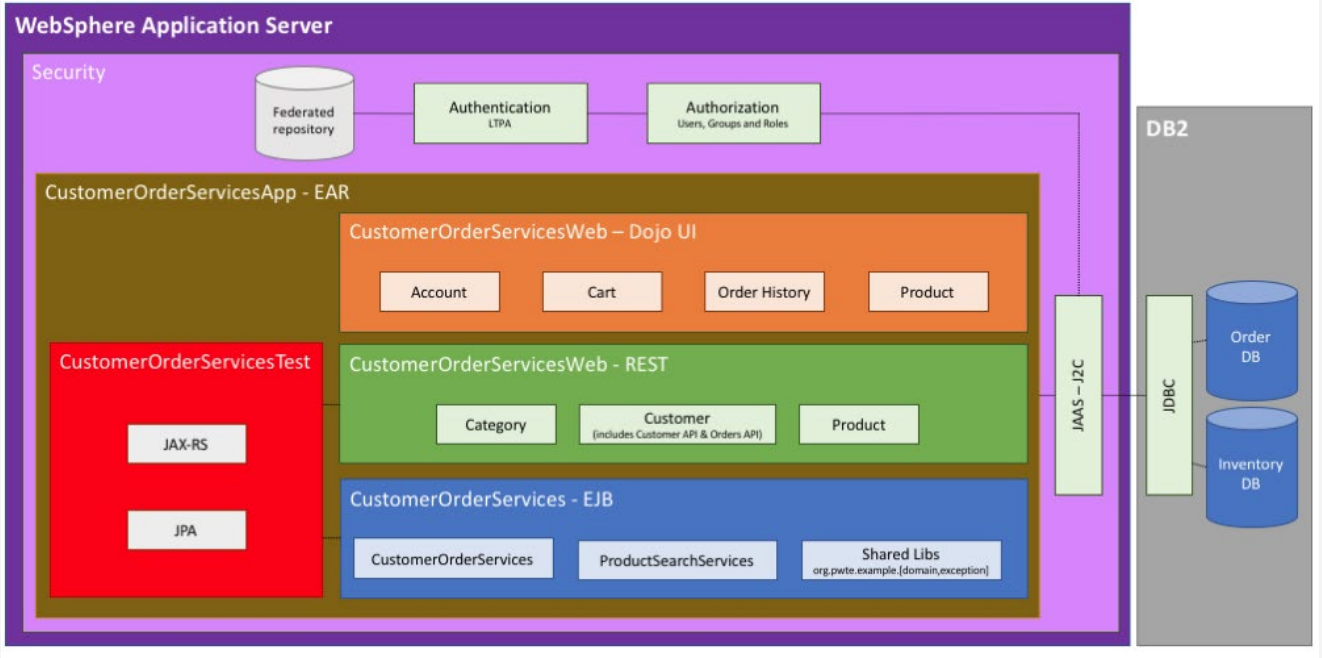
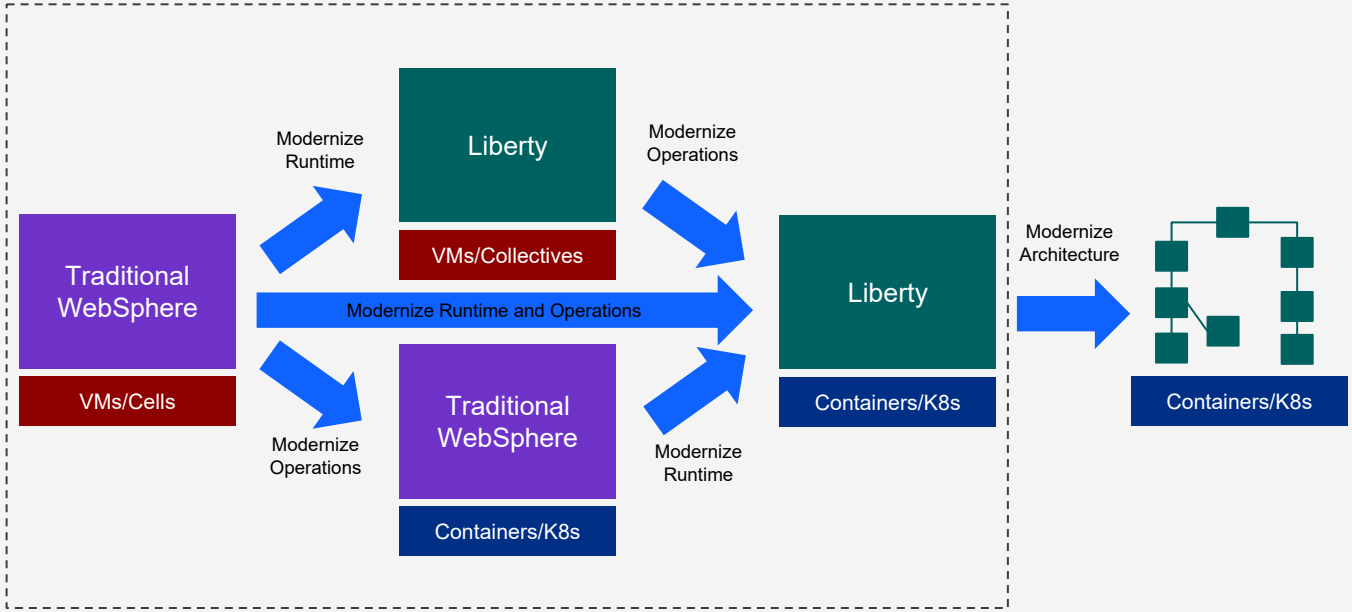
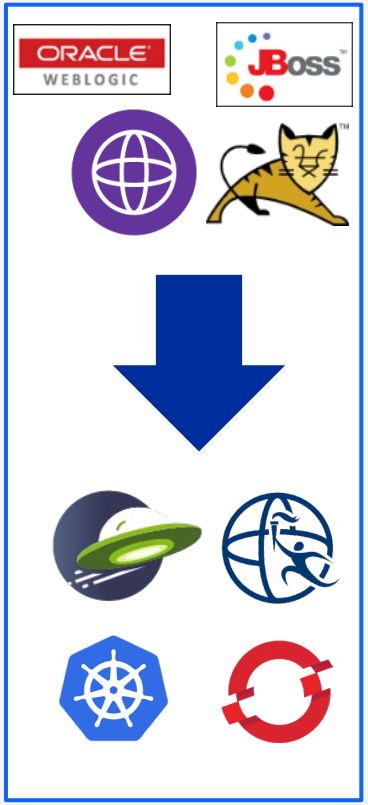
- The Customer Order Services application is a simple store-front shopping application, built during the early days of the Web 2.0 movement.
- Users interact directly with a browser-based interface and manage their cart to submit orders.
- This application is built using the traditional 3-Tier Architecture model, with an HTTP server, an application server, and a supporting database.



[Modernization Playbook – Modernizing application runtimes (ibm-cloud-architecture.github.io)]

Containerize the application on the **light-weight** cloud native runtime **Liberty** via **IBM Cloud Transformation Advisor**

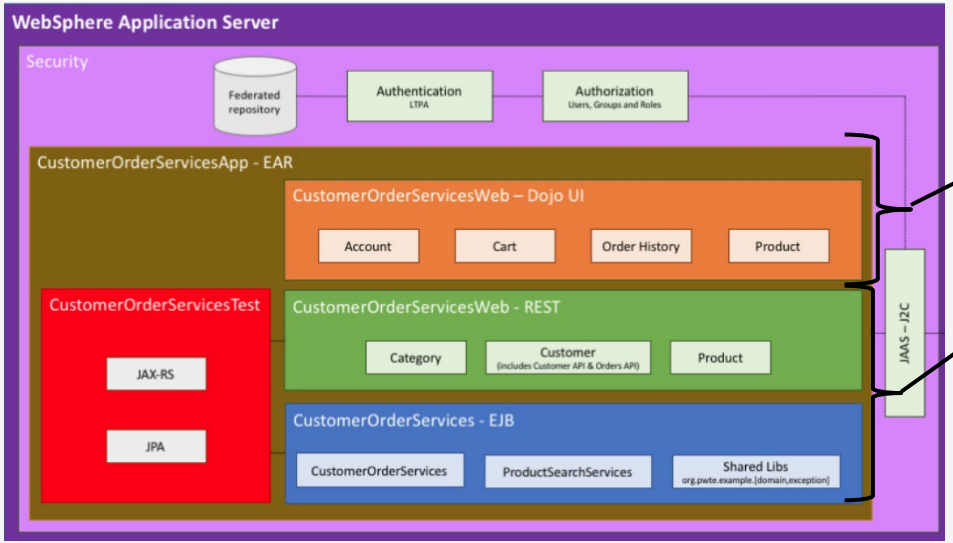


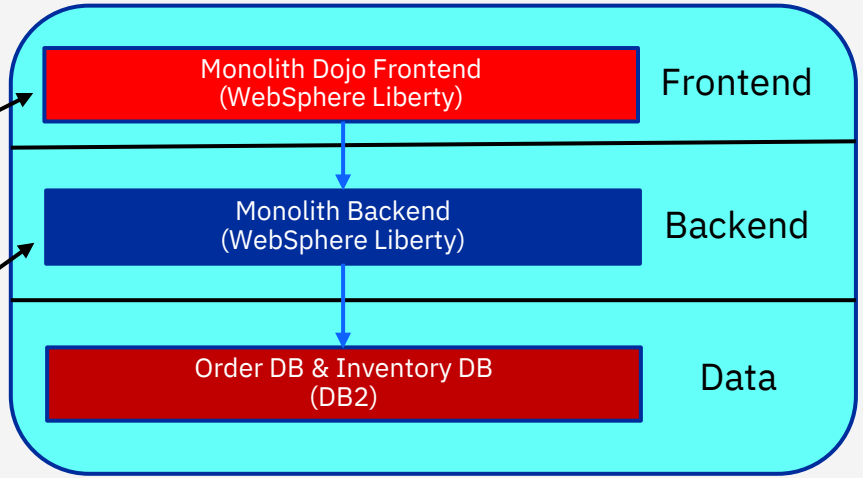


Optimum modernization depends on workload needs! http://ibm.biz/cloudta

Put the frontend into a separate container

Once the monolith is containerized, the application owners may choose to separate the frontend application code (DOJO based) from the monolith's EAR file into a separately deployable component. With the front and backend separated they can be developed, tested and deployed independently.



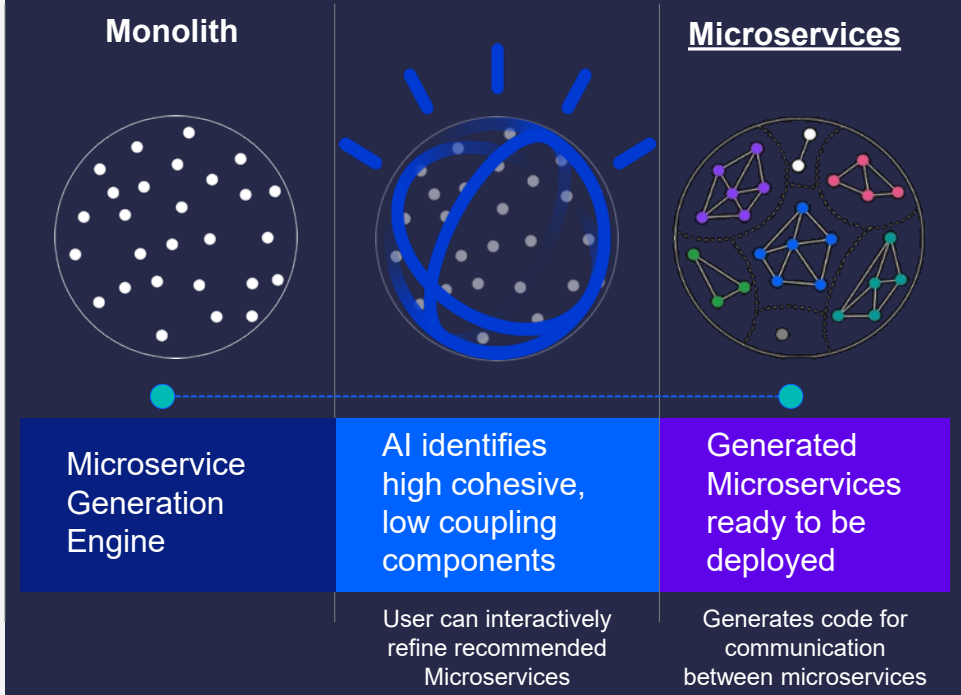


Refactor the backend part via IBM® Mono2Micro™

AI assisted transformation of monoliths into microservices, with reduced risk and lower cost.

Mono2Micro

- **Visualizes runtime and data dependencies** between classes
- **Identifies dead code** within your application
- Uses AI to **generate recommendations**, **semantic analysis** and **code** needed for refactoring
- Applies microservices best practices to recommend partitioning



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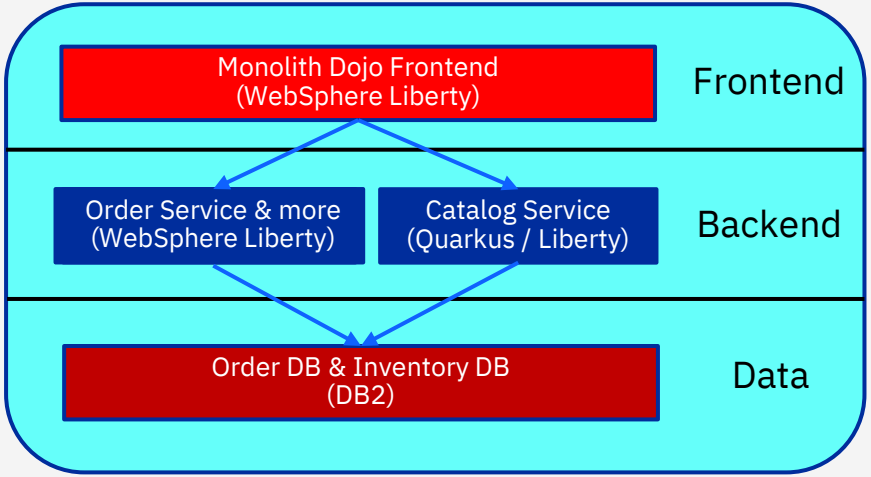
Refactor the database to reduce dependencies

Mono2Micro was used to identify the Catalog service as a good candidate to become it's own service.

- The Catalog service handles information about the items in the store such as prices, titles, ratings and descriptions.
- The remaining monolith contains the order service and more.
- To avoid dependencies between the two services, each service has its own database to keep its own data.

Refactor the backend

Split the backend into separate services



Refactor the datastore

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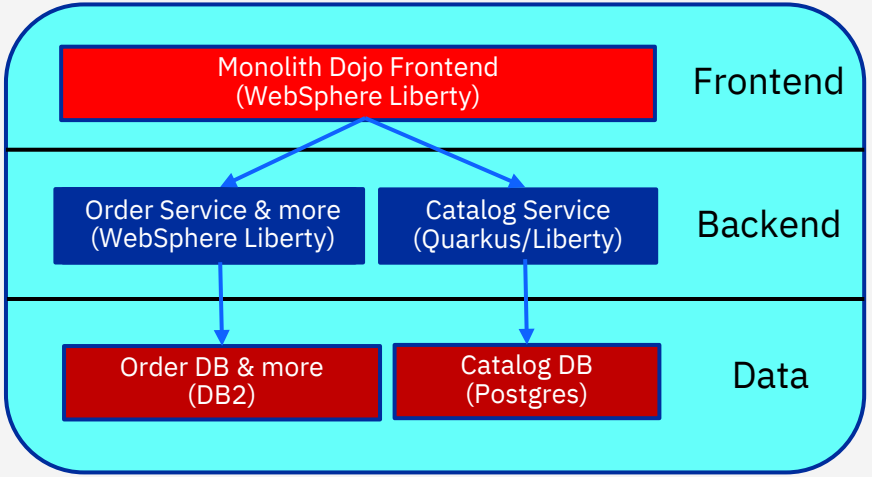


Introduce **Kafka messaging** to keep the databases in sync

The challenge: There is some data required to by both backend services and therefore available in both databases.
Solution: To keep common data such as the price in sync, **Kafka** will be used.

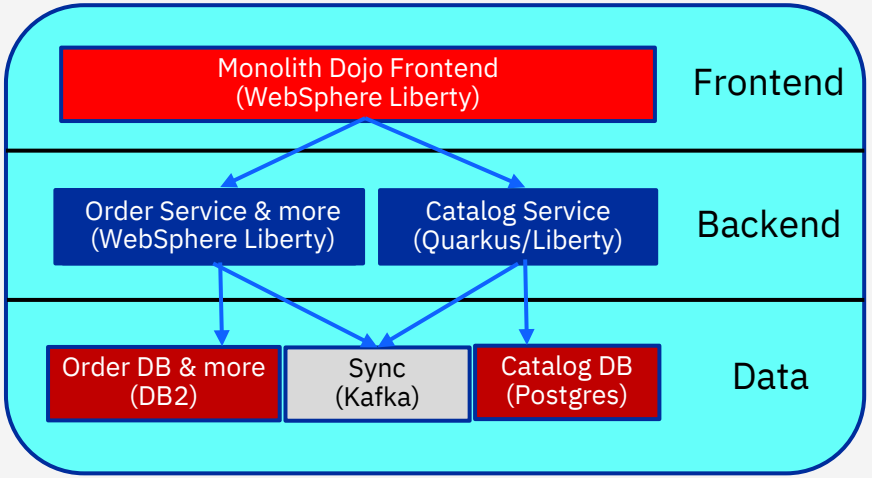
The application uses MicroProfile and Kafka to send events asynchronously.

The Event Producer
The Catalog Service stores the changed price into the Catalog DB and produces a Kafka event that the price has changed.

The Event Consumer
The Order Service consumes the Kafka event and caches the changed prices in its own Db2 database in a new column.

Implement a synchornization

Synchonize the databases via Kafka



Finding: Modernization made the application more complex

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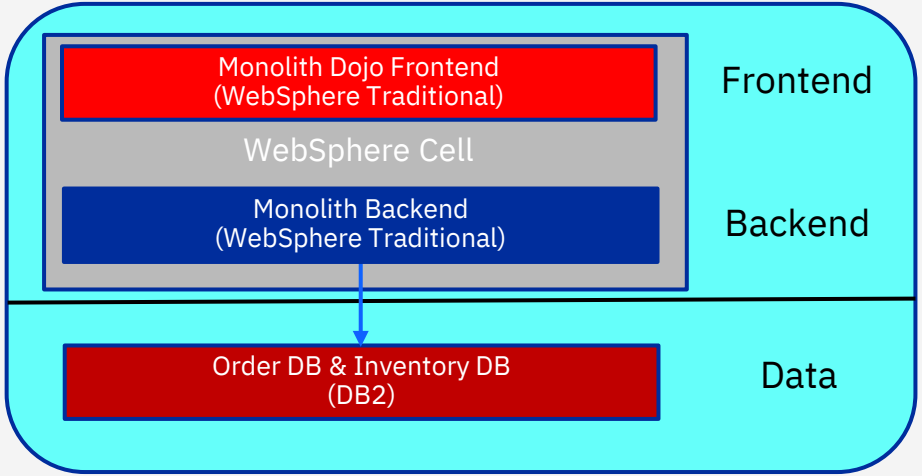
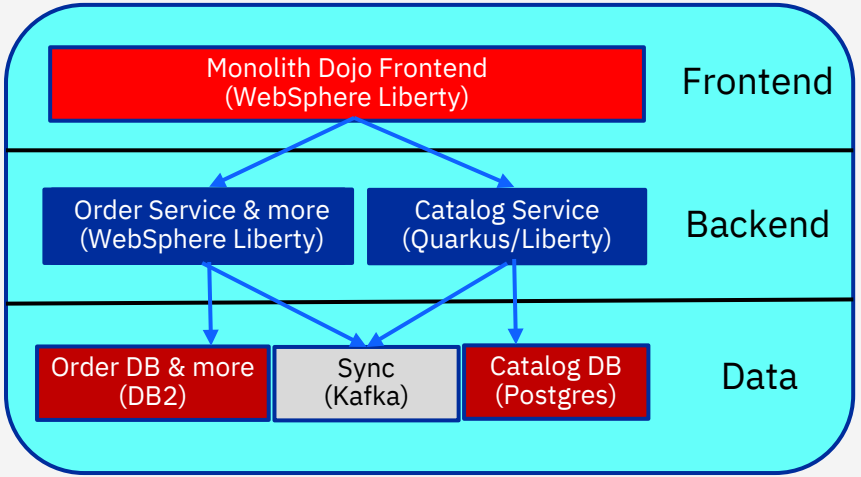
(Technologies: traditional WAS, DB2)



After: Refactored application

(Technologies: Liberty, Quarkus, DB2, Postgres, Kafka)



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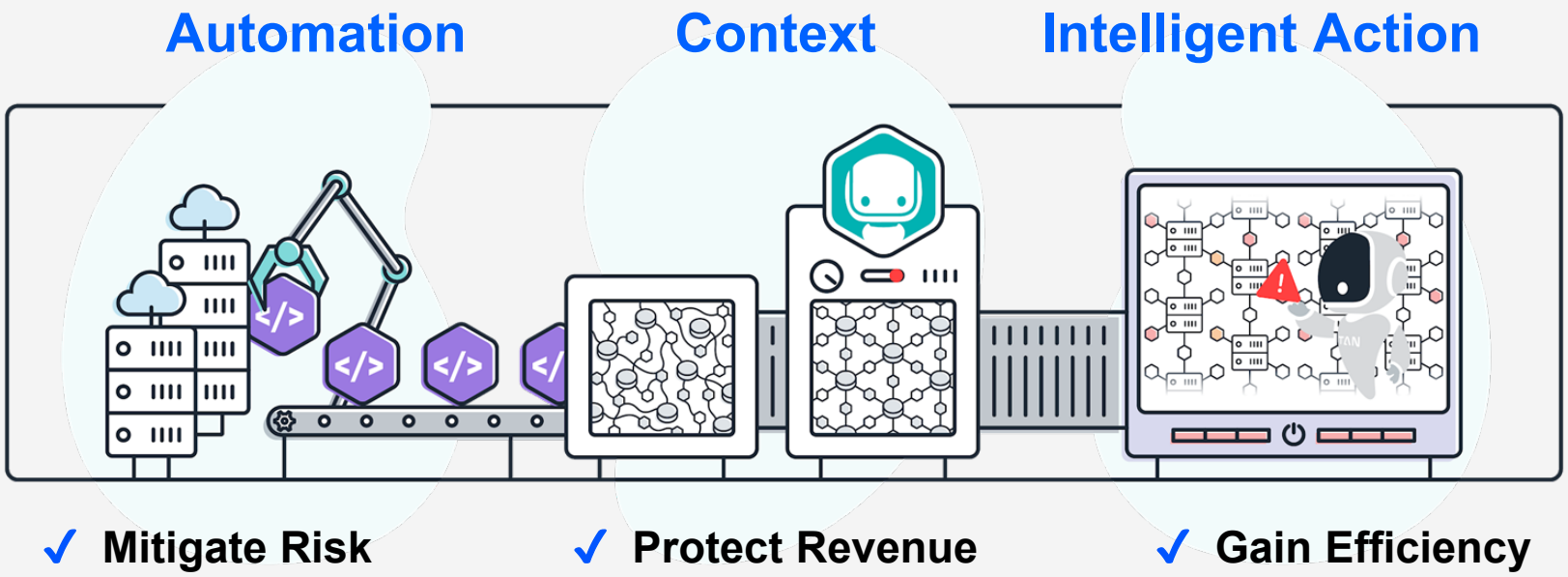

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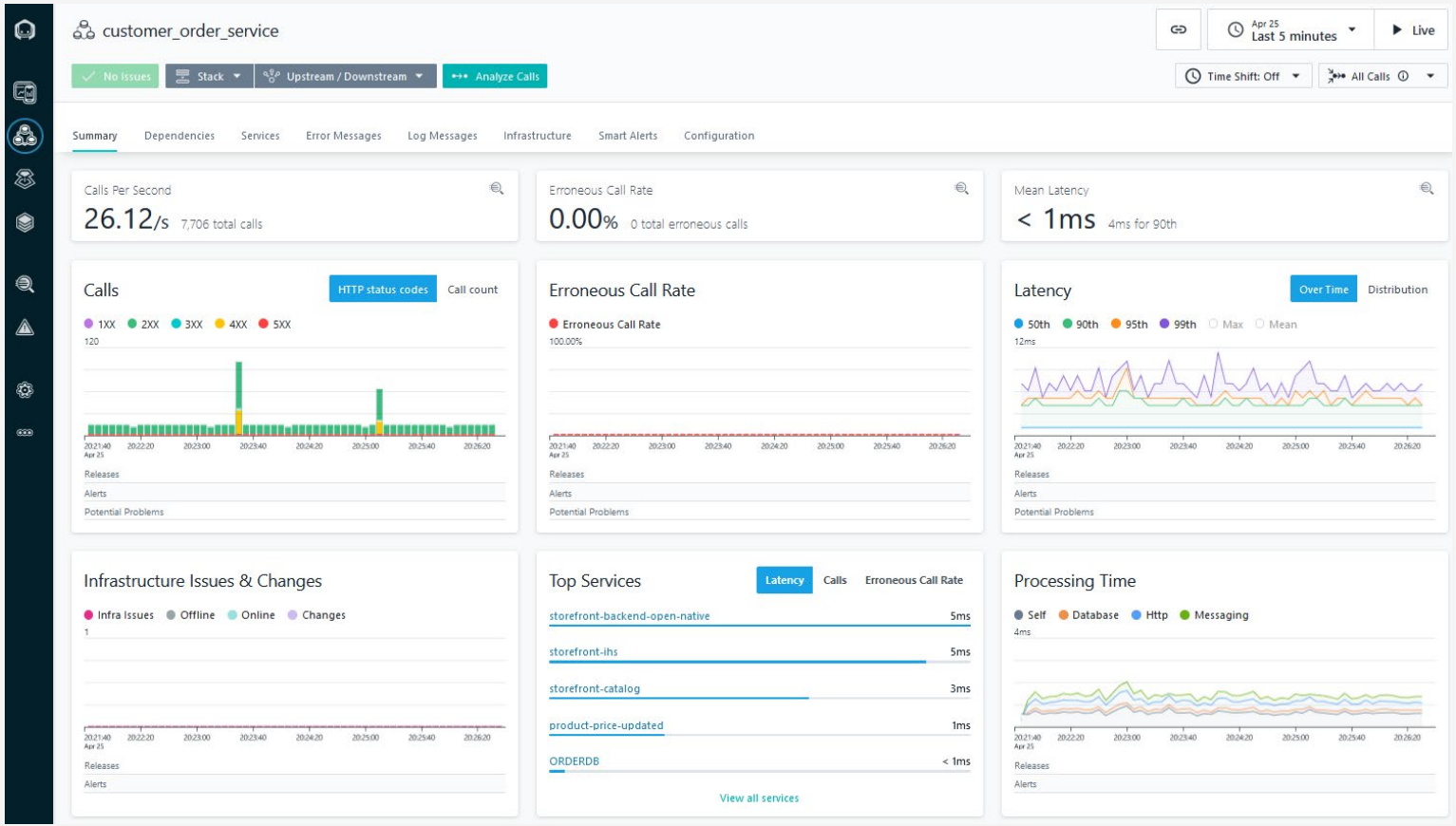

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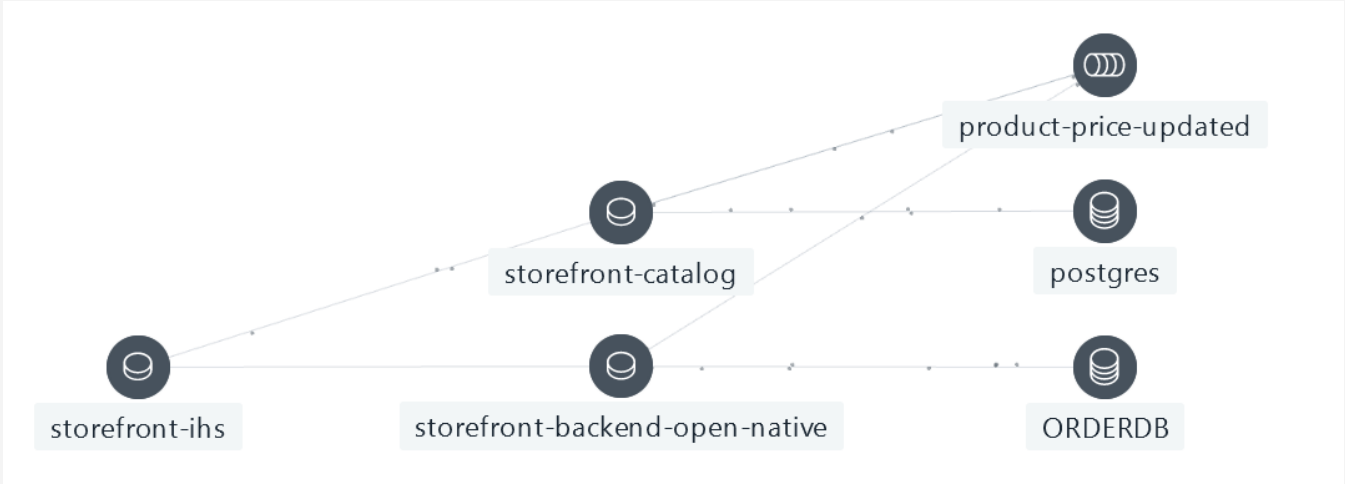

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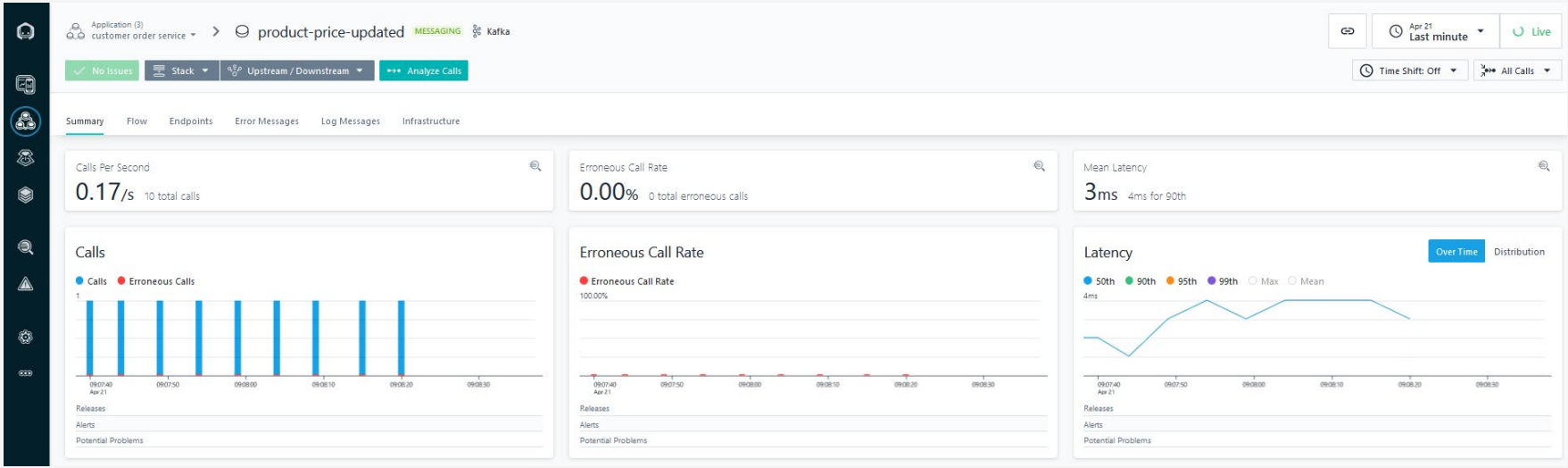

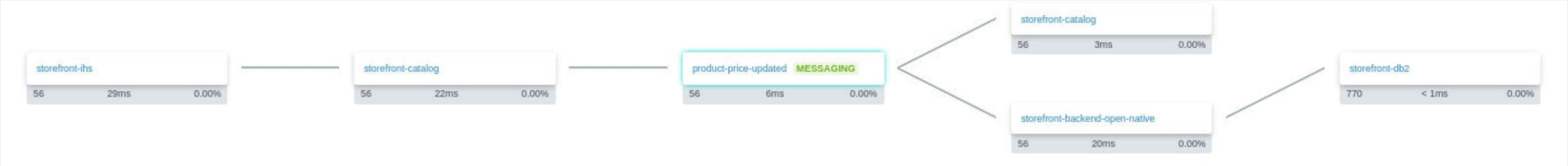

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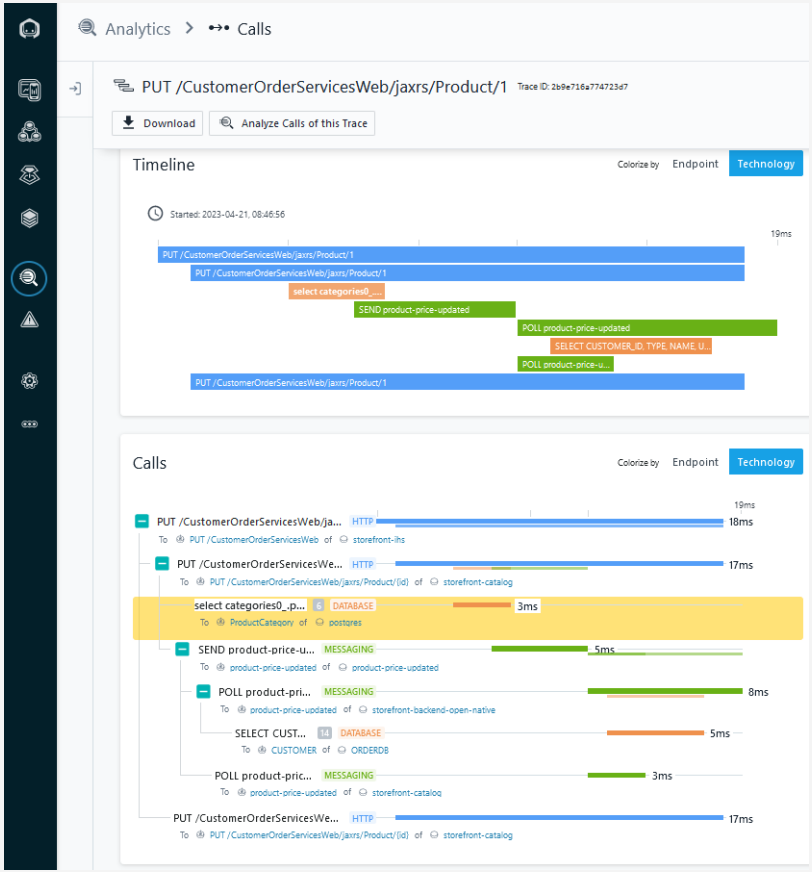

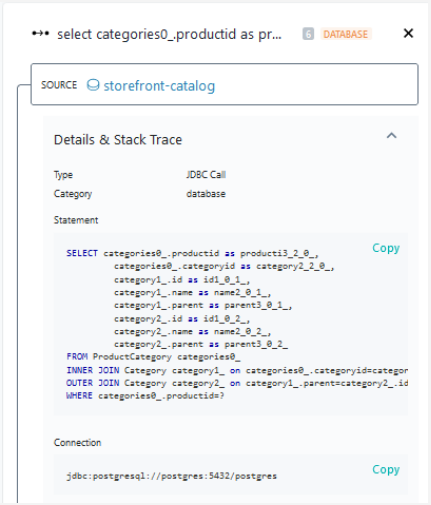

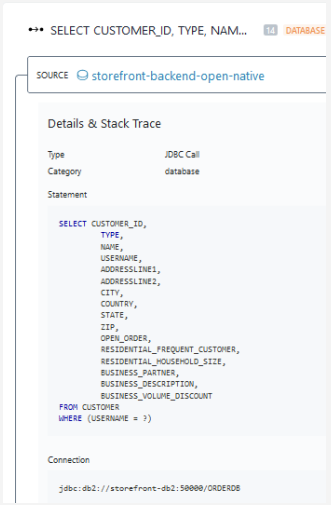

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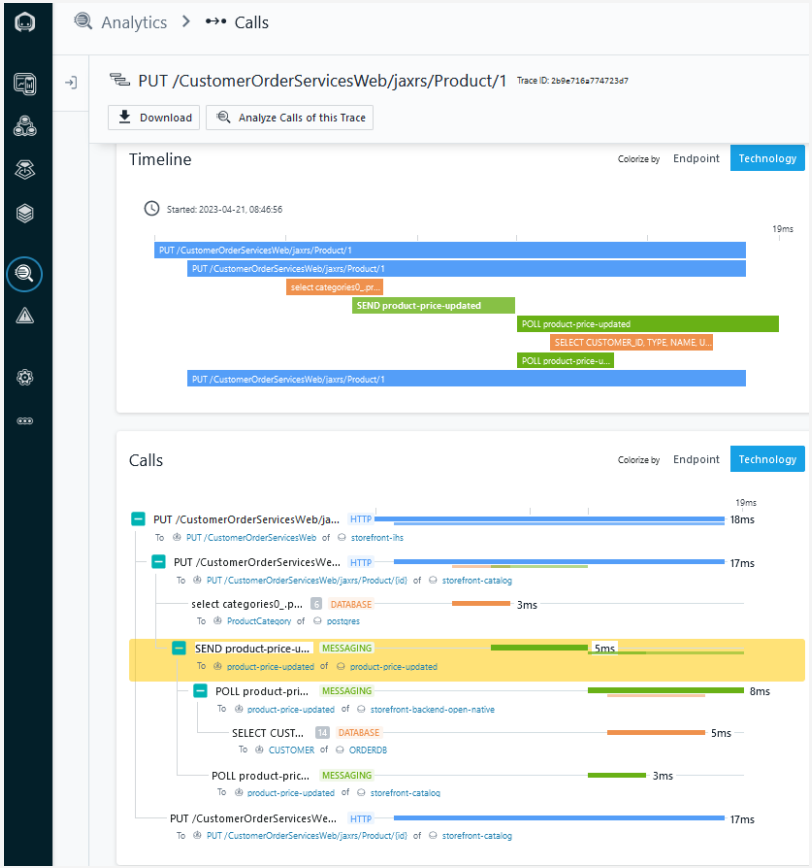

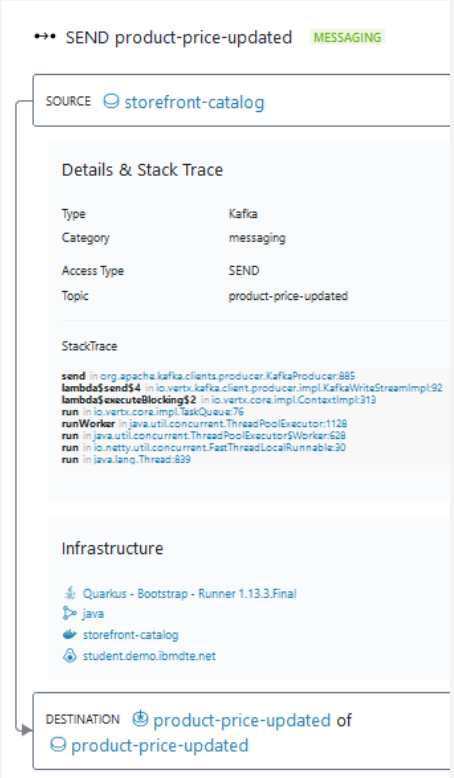

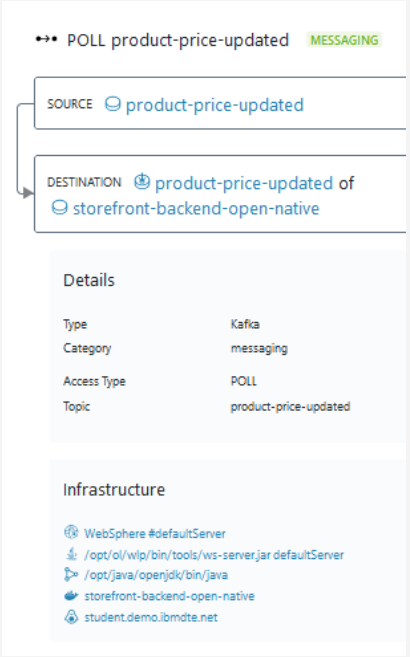

Troubleshooting

We are covering two scenarios:

- Scenario 1:
  Invalid deployment results into database errors
- Scenario 2:
  Invalid deployment results into HTTP errors and messaging problems

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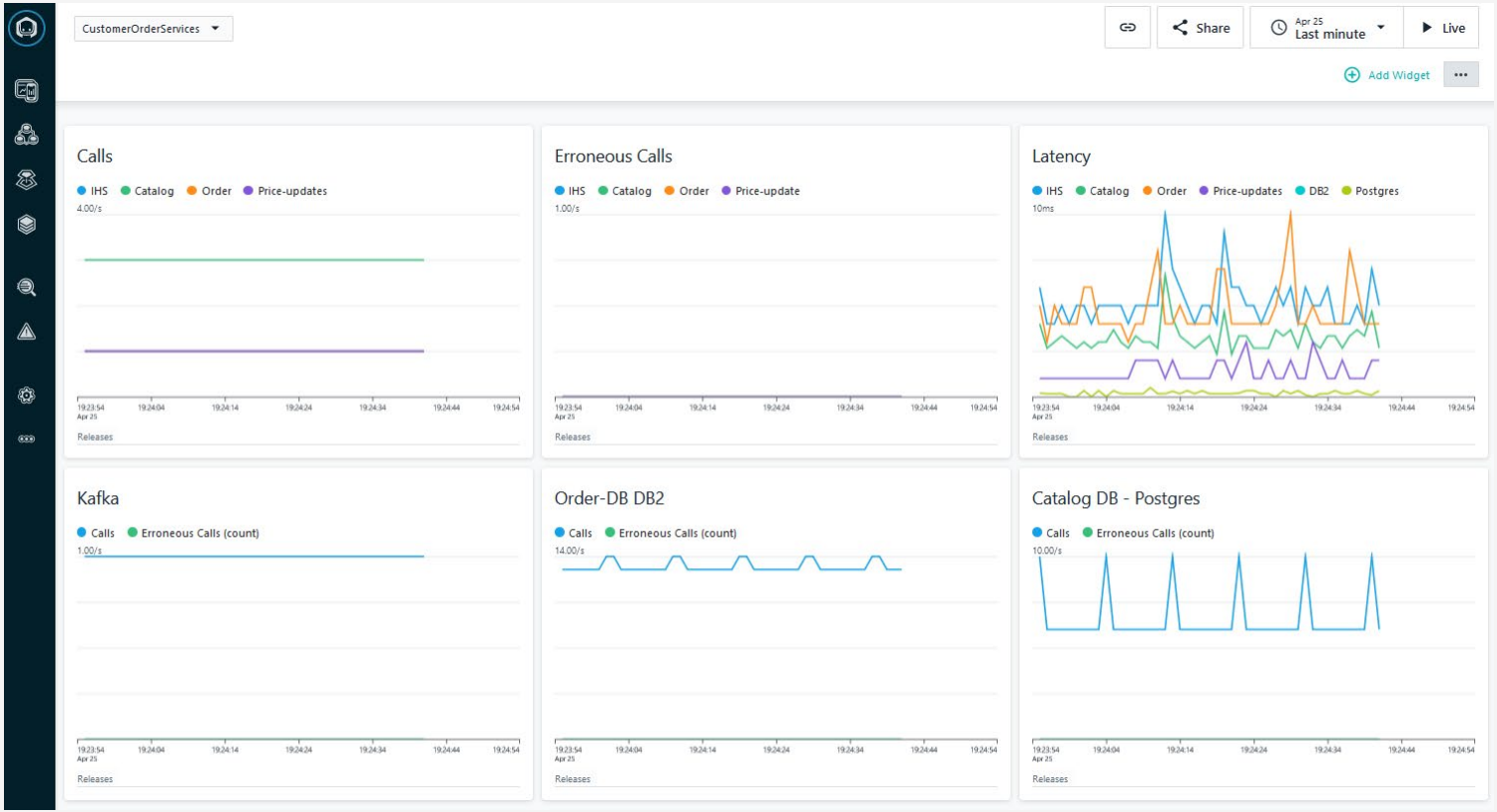

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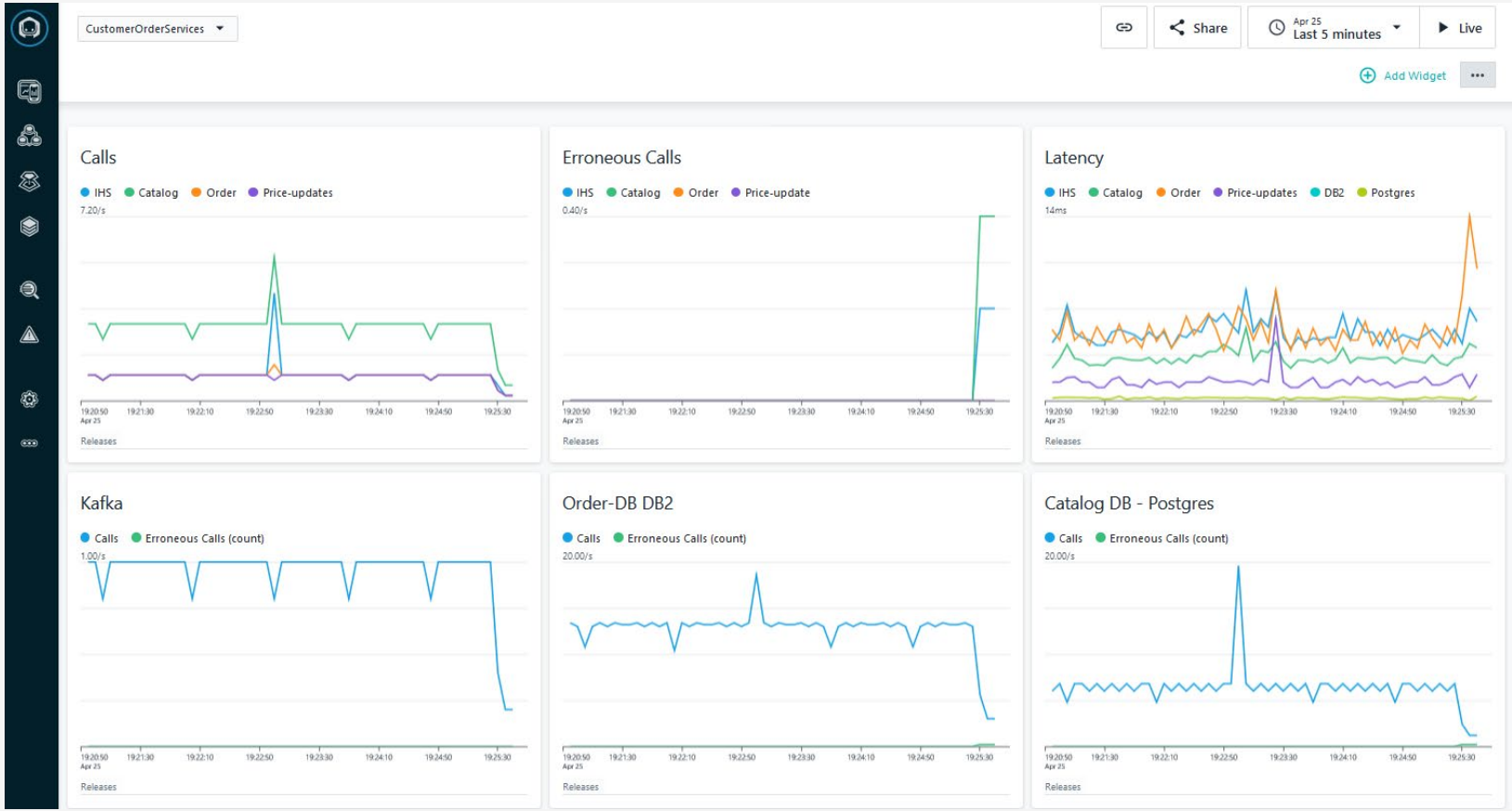

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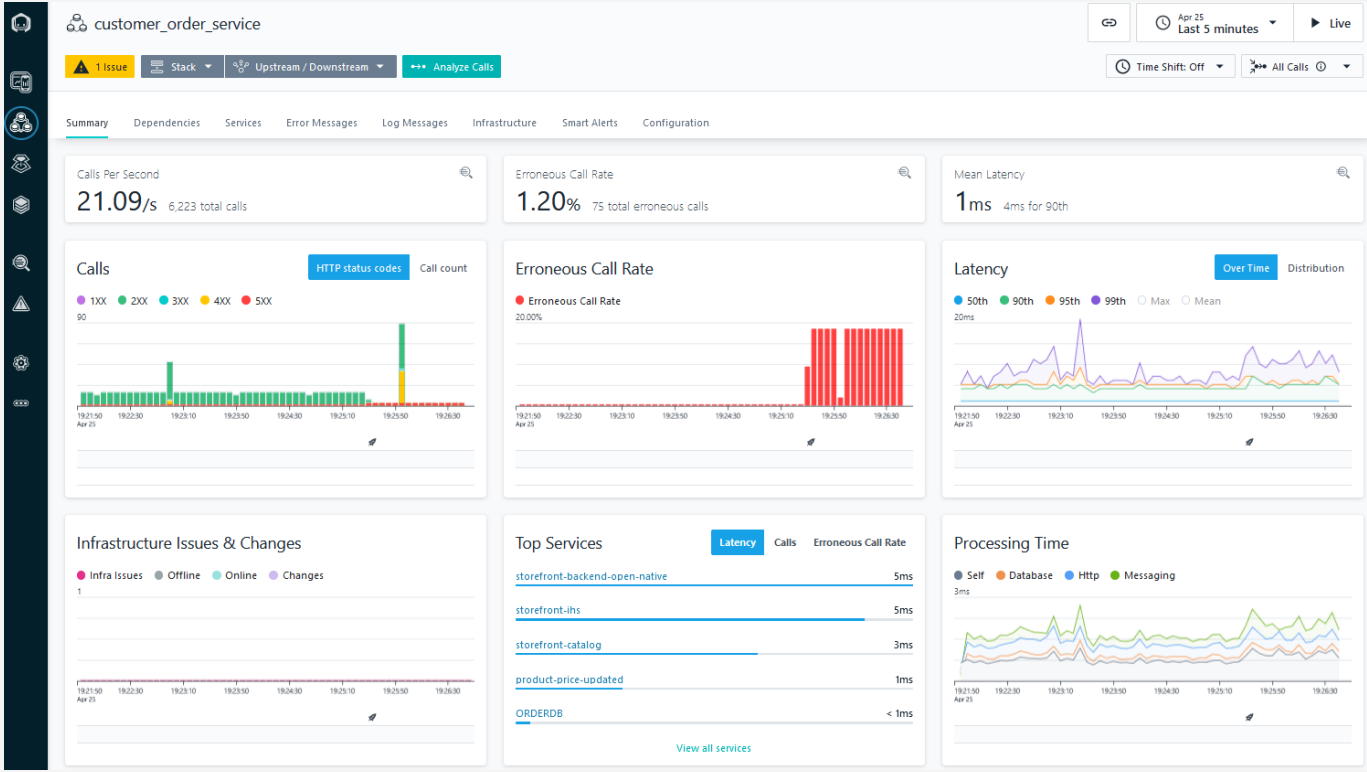

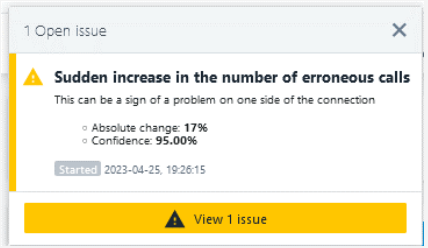

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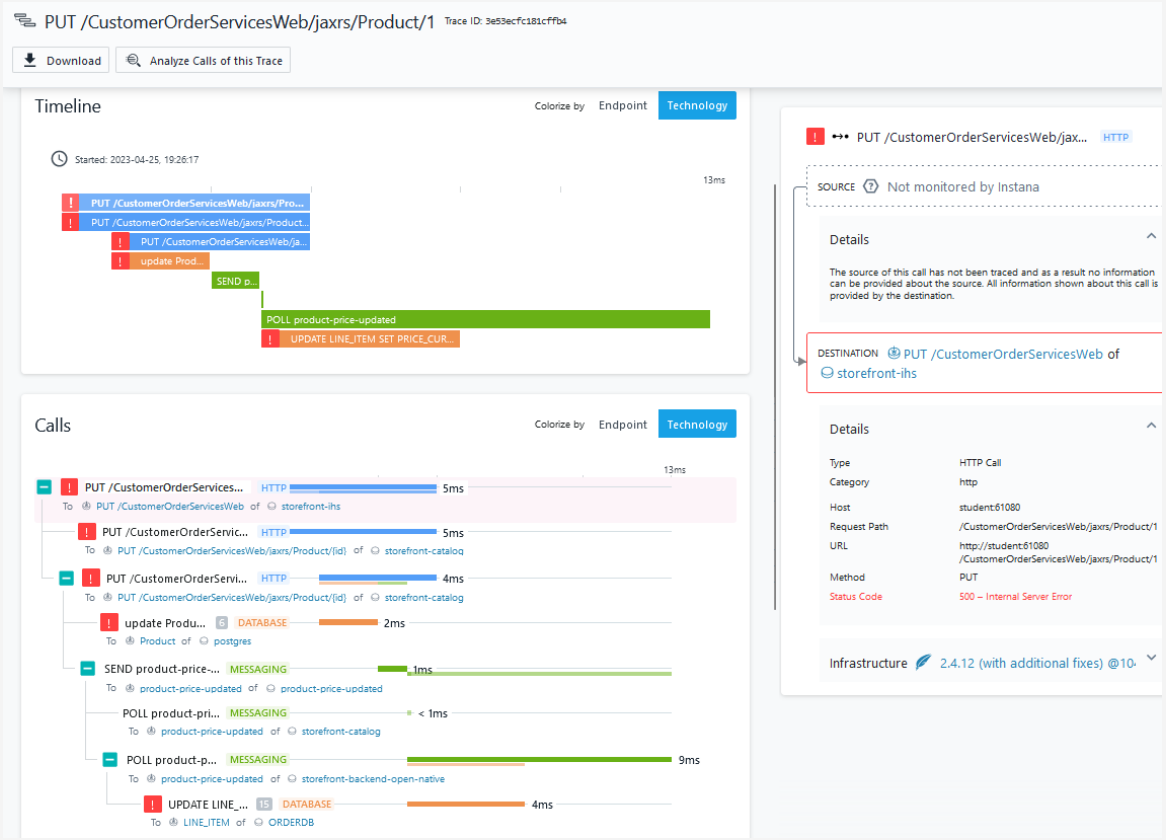

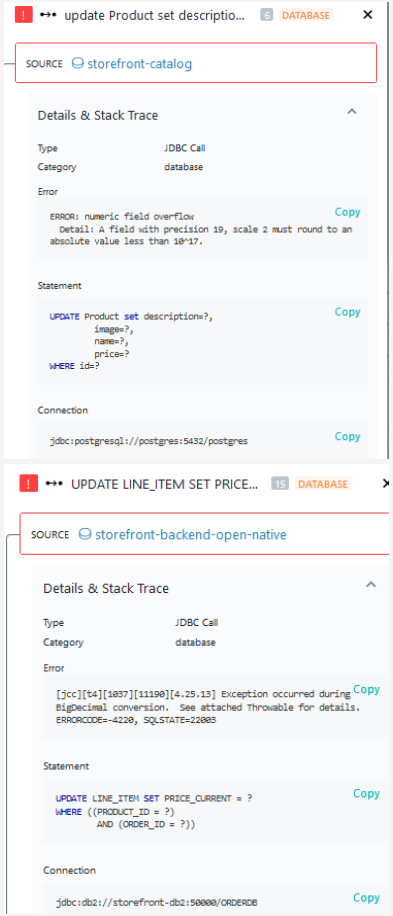

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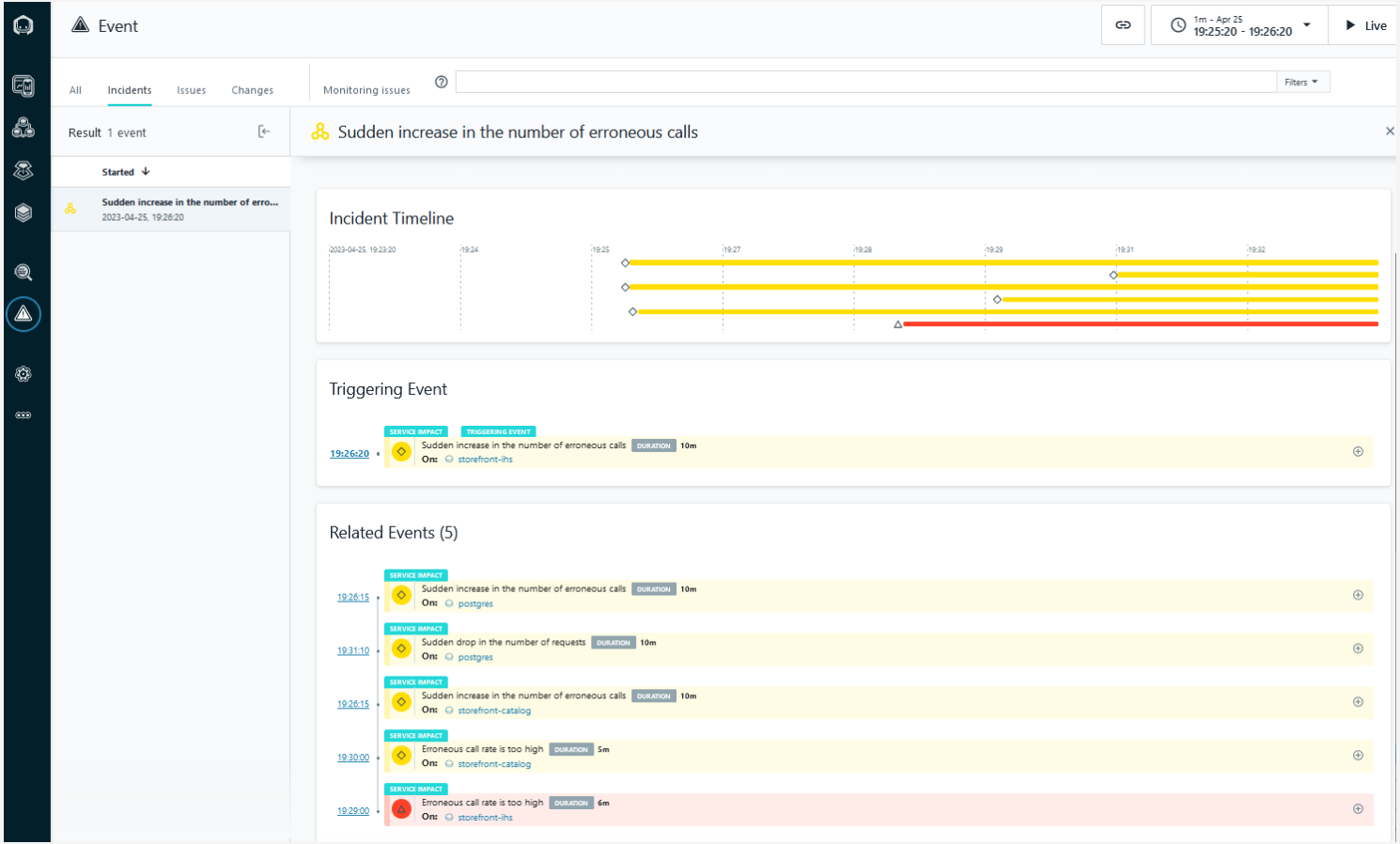

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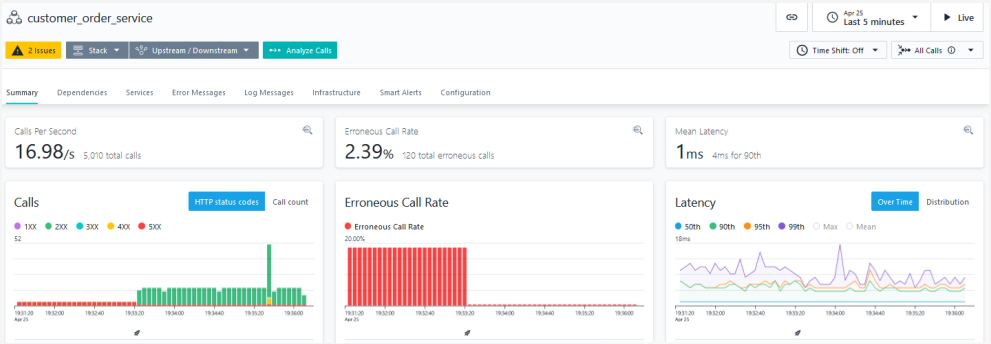

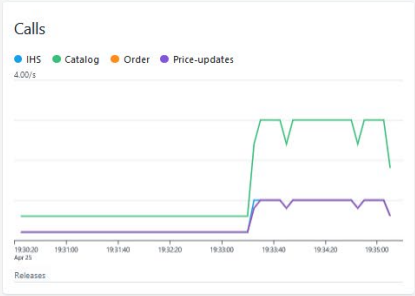

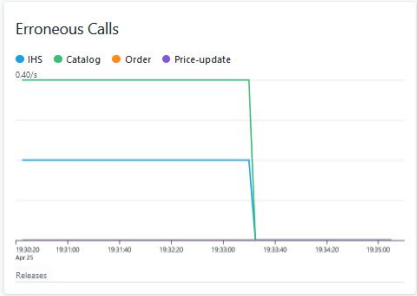

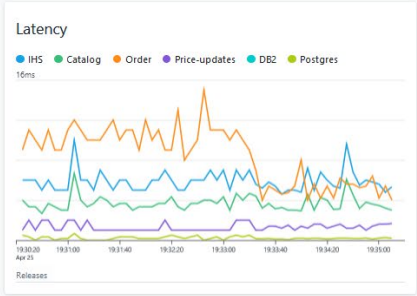

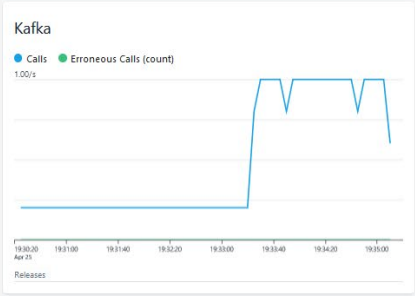

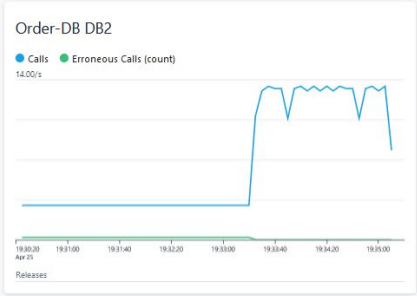

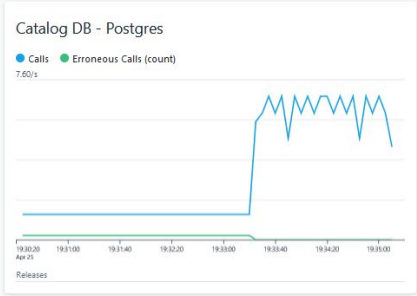

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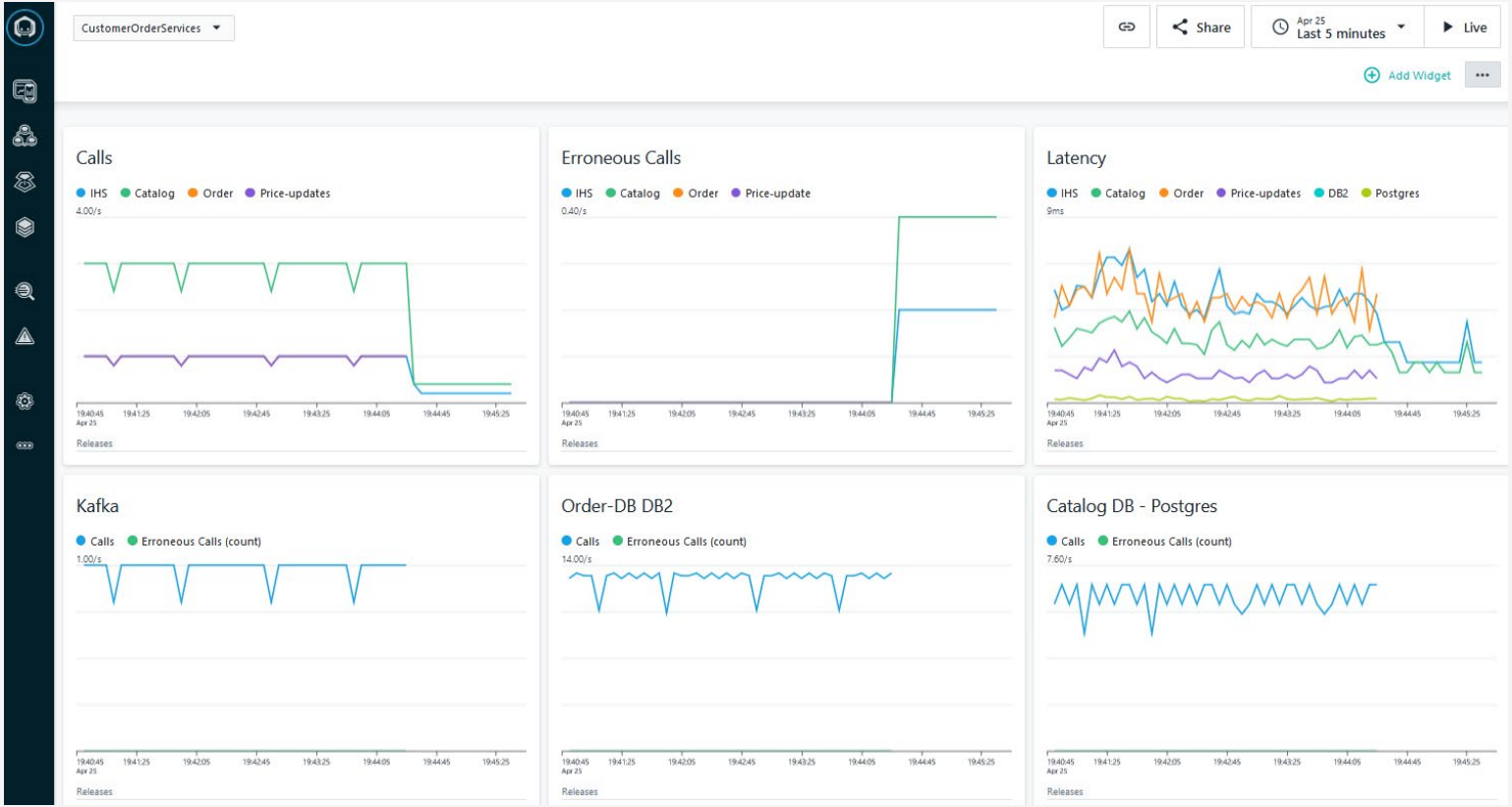

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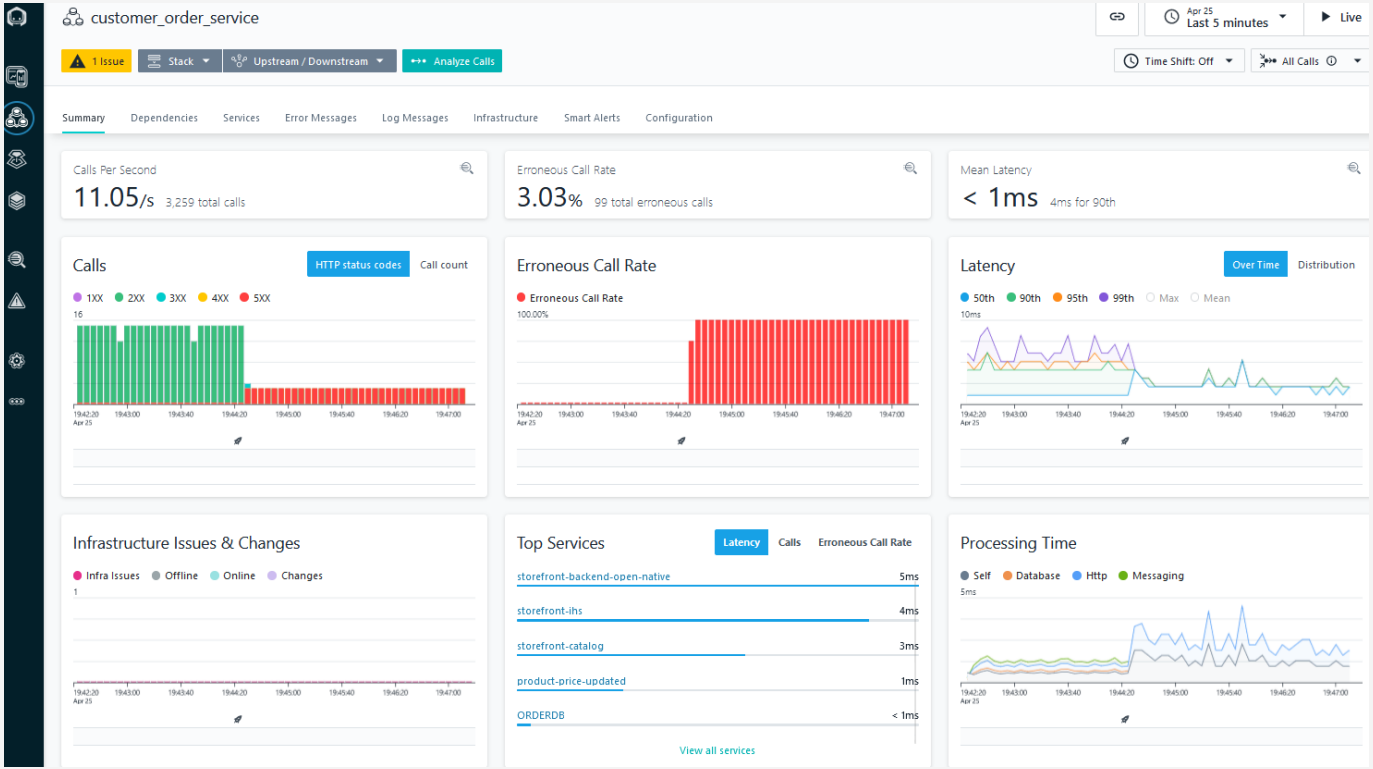

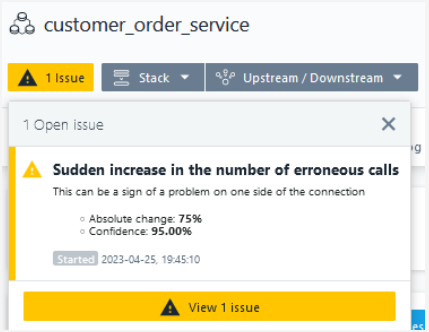

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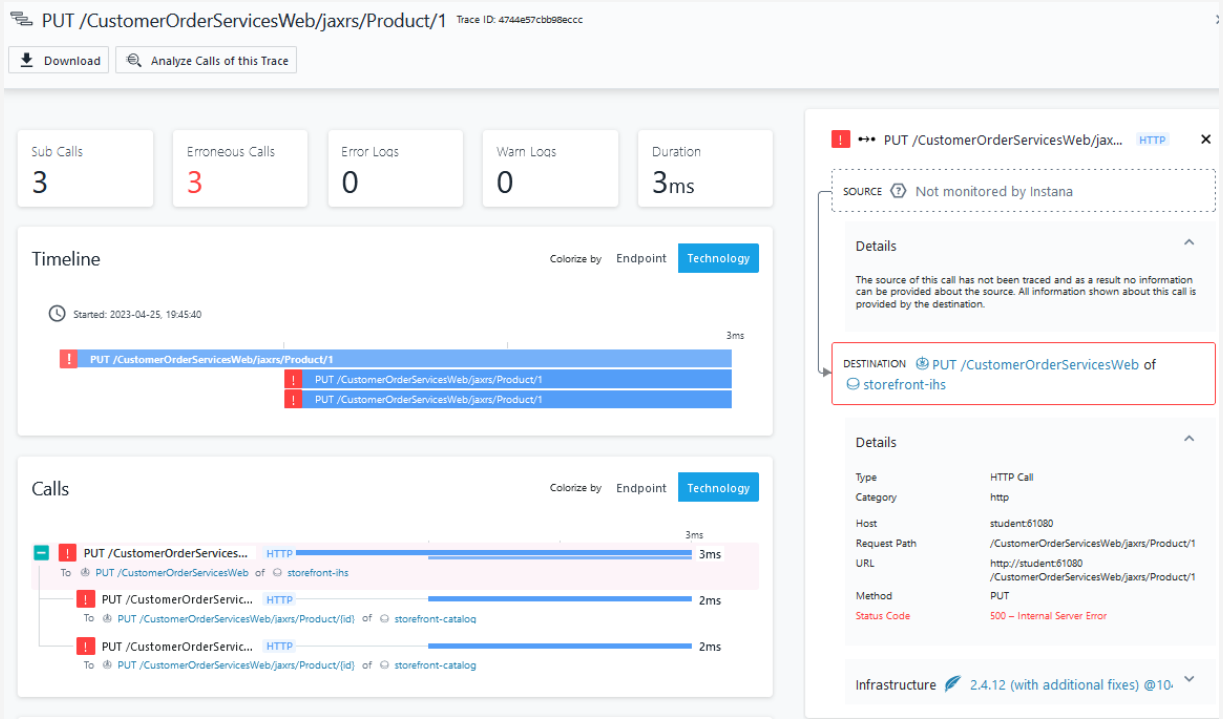

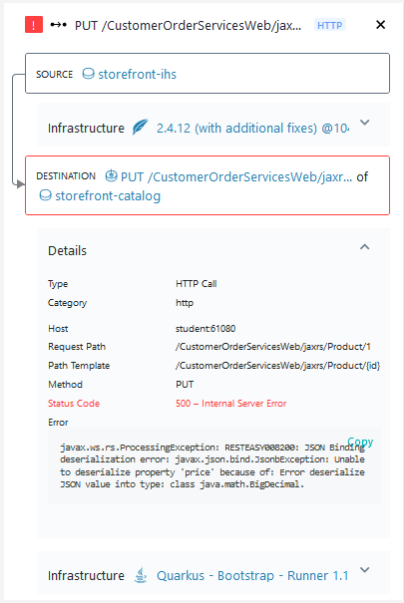

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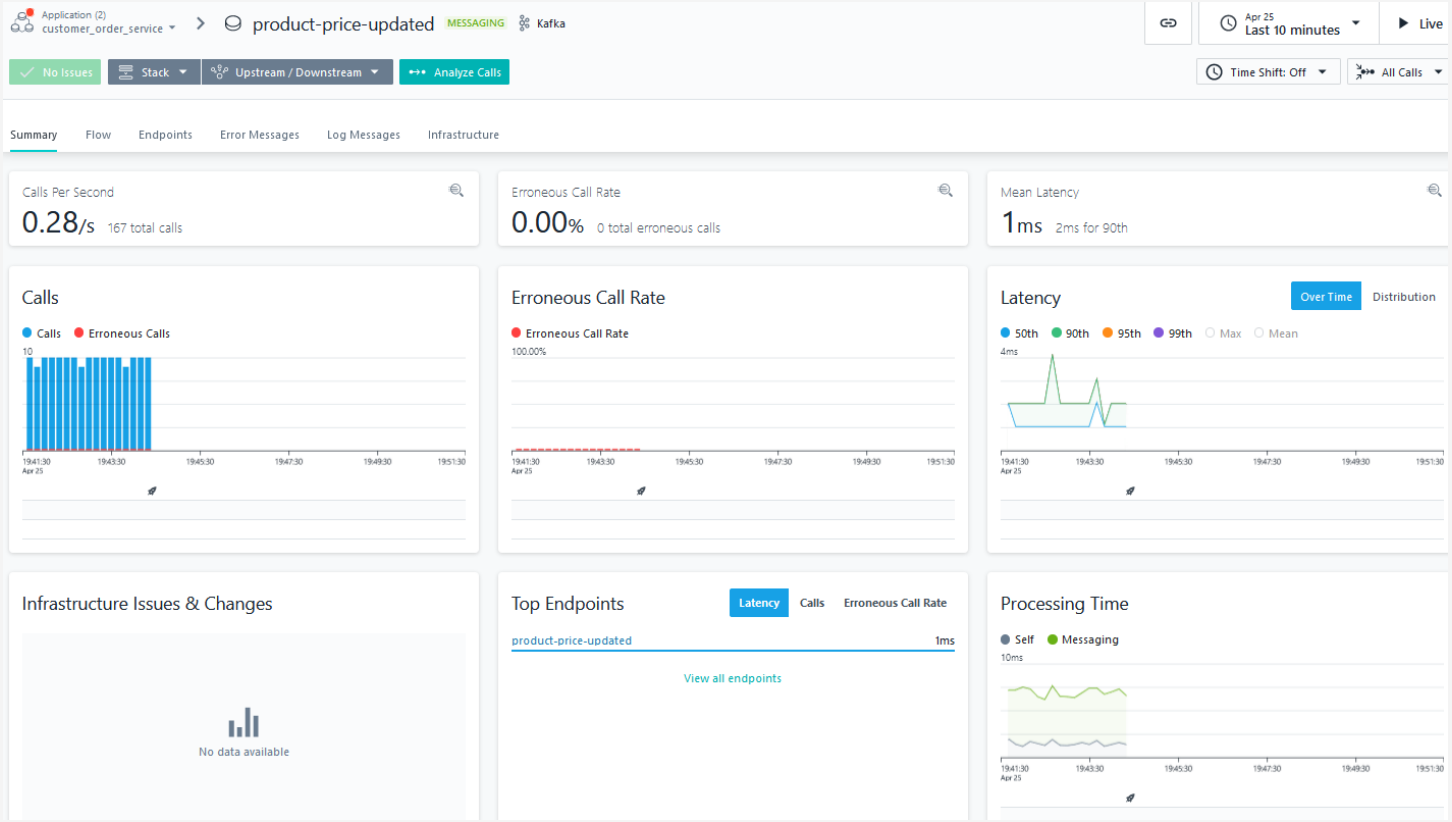

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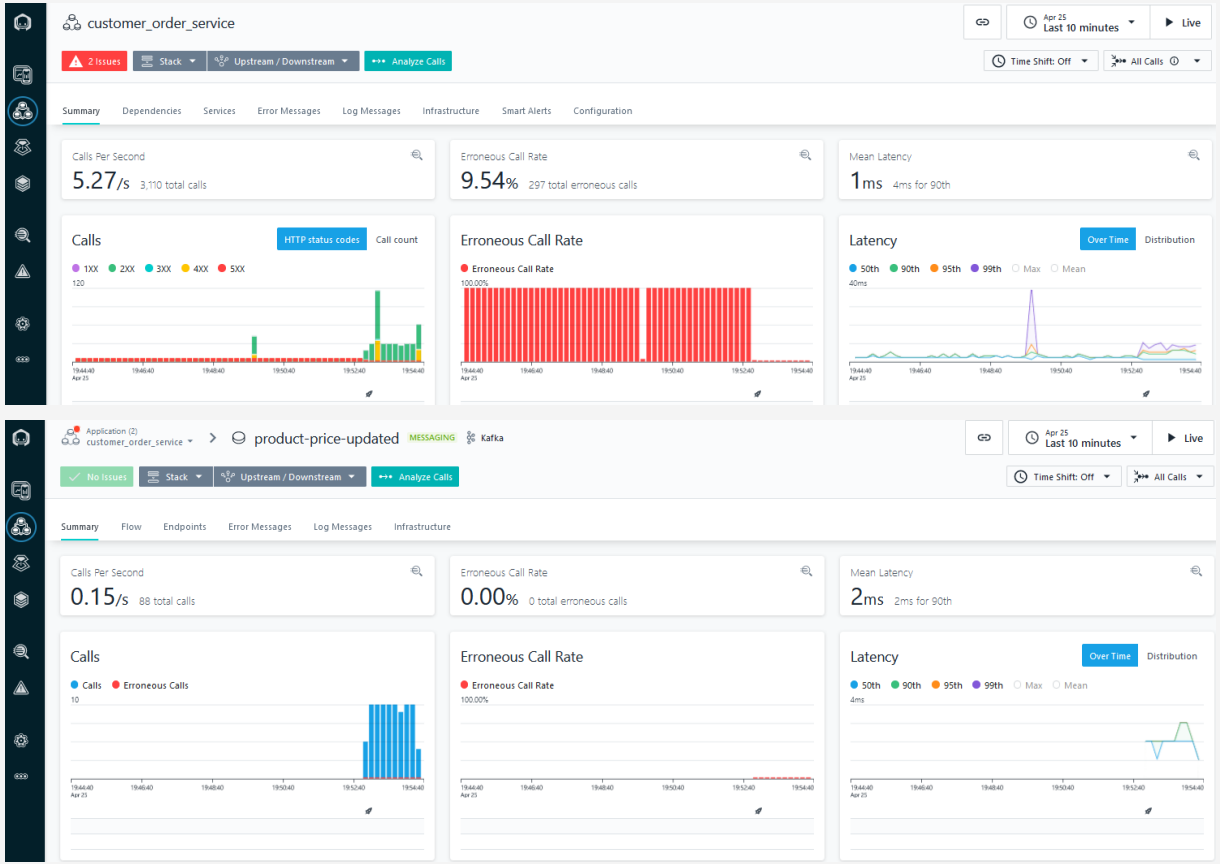

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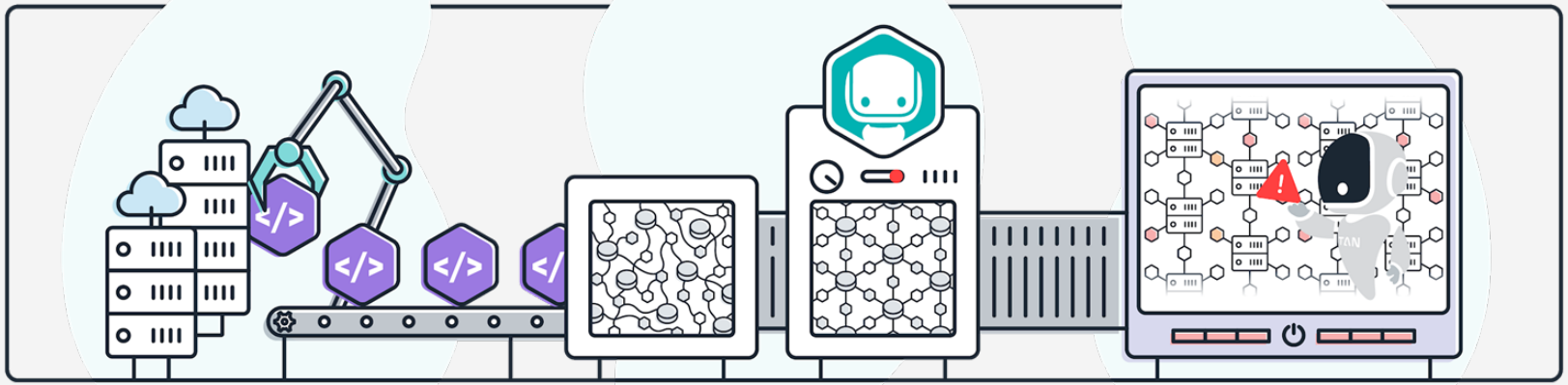

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Questions and Answers

Quarterly Liberty Update

Liberty 22.0.0.10-13 Update - Replay

- Session#1: Jan 19, 2023 from 1-2:30pm ET - https://ibm.biz/Liberty-Jan19
- Session#2: Jan 26, 2023 from 9-10am ET - https://ibm.biz/Liberty-Jan26

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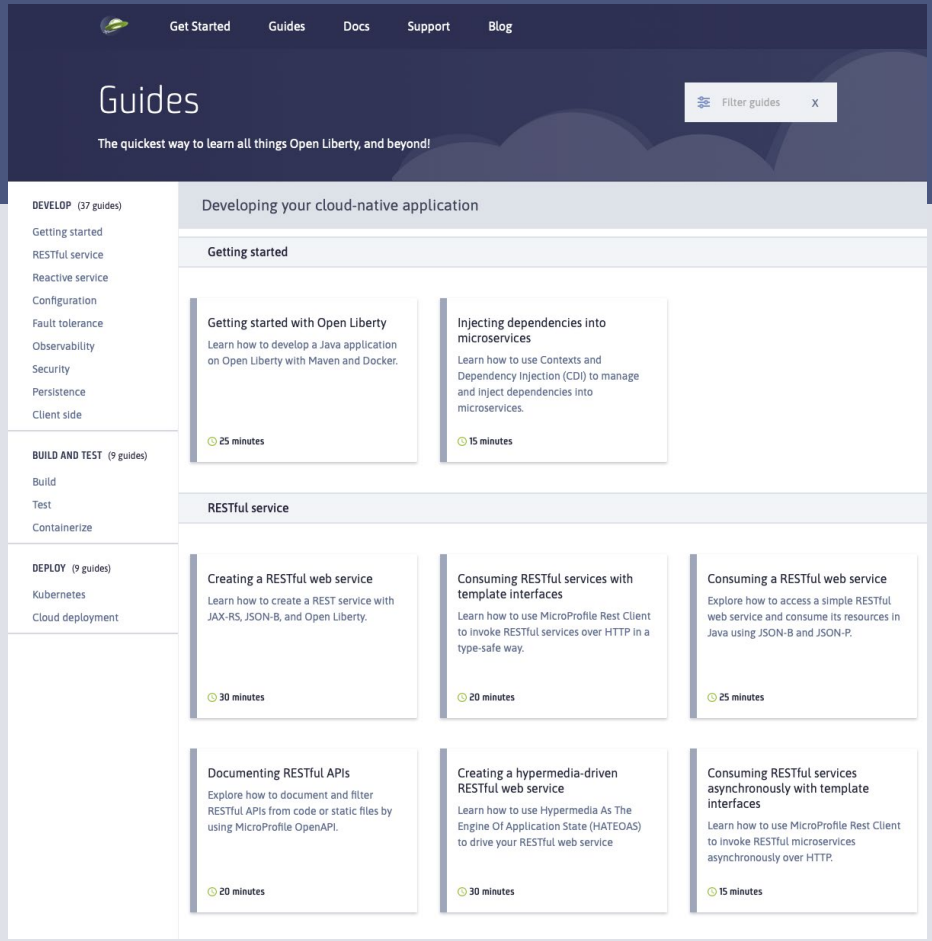

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openliberty.io/guides/getting-started.html

Learn Liberty, MicroProfile, Containers, Kubernetes, Hands-on
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Try Cloud-hosted guides (no pre-req's to install)
ibm.biz/HostedLibertyGuides

Modernization Tool References

Read

What's new in Transformation Advisor: ibm.biz/WhatsNewTA242

What's new in Migration Tools: ibm.biz/WhatsNewMigTools

Introduction to Mono2Micro: ibm.biz/Intro2Mono2Micro

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Assess your application estate with Transformation Advisor ibm.biz/cloudta

Make changes confidently using WebSphere Migration Toolkit ibm.biz/WASMigToolkit

Test drive the Mono2Micro refactoring experience ibm.biz/Mono2Micro

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Learning Collection - WebSphere Liberty
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Administering WebSphere Application Server Liberty Profile V9
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The road to Liberty
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Modernizing applications to use WebSphere Liberty
https://developer.ibm.com/learningpaths/app-mod-liberty/

WebSphere Traditional

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WebSphere Application Server Administration
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Introduction to IBM Mono2Micro
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