

# OpenRVDAS

An Open Source Framework for  
Building Data Acquisition Systems



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# Why?

- Many ships each running homebrew derivatives of legacy systems (*dsLog*, *LDS* and others)
- Massive duplication of effort to support
- Common, open source codebase would allow pooling expertise and best practices
- MIT License allows unrestricted use/copying/modification/distribution/sublicensing for commercial/non-commercial purposes

# An framework, not a system

(Systems change as requirements change; a good framework lets you easily put together whatever system meets current requirements)



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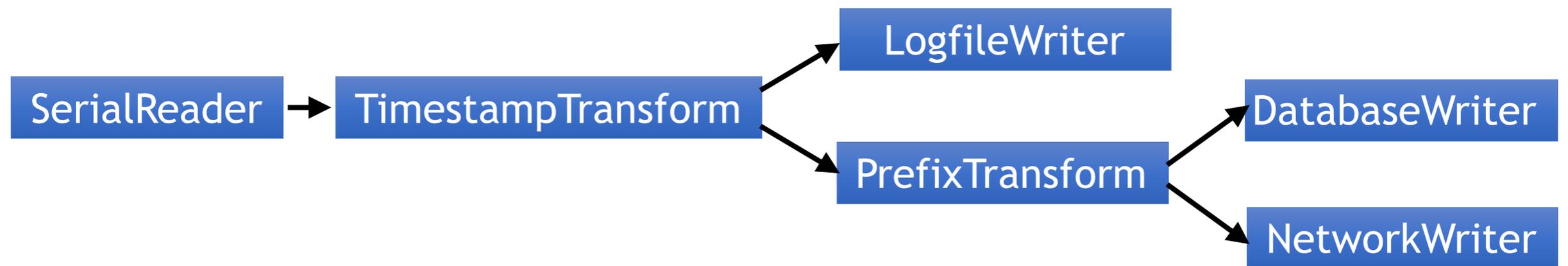
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# Readers, Transforms and Writers

## Readers

SerialReader

NetworkReader

FileReader

DatabaseReader

TimeoutReader

## Transforms

PrefixTransform

TimestampTransform

SliceTransform

ParseNMEATransform

FilterQCTransform

## Writers

LogfileWriter

NetworkWriter

DatabaseWriter

AlertWriter

Simple API makes it easy to create your own as needs arise

# Three easy ways to combine

## In Code

```
reader = SerialReader(port='/dev/tty1')
transform = TimestampTransform()
writer = LogfileWriter(filebase='/var/logs/knud')
while True:
    in_record = reader.read()
    out_record = transform.transform(in_record)
    writer.write(out_record)
```

## Command line

```
listener.py --serial port=/dev/tty1 \  
--transform_timestamp \  
--transform_prefix knud \  
--write_logfile /var/logs/knud \  
--write_network :6221 \  
--write_database rvdas@openrvdas:test
```

## Config file

```
{"knud->net": {  
    "name": "knud->net",  
    "readers": {  
        "class": "SerialReader",  
        "kwargs": {"port": "/dev/tty1",  
                   "baudrate": 9600  
        }  
    }  
    ...
```

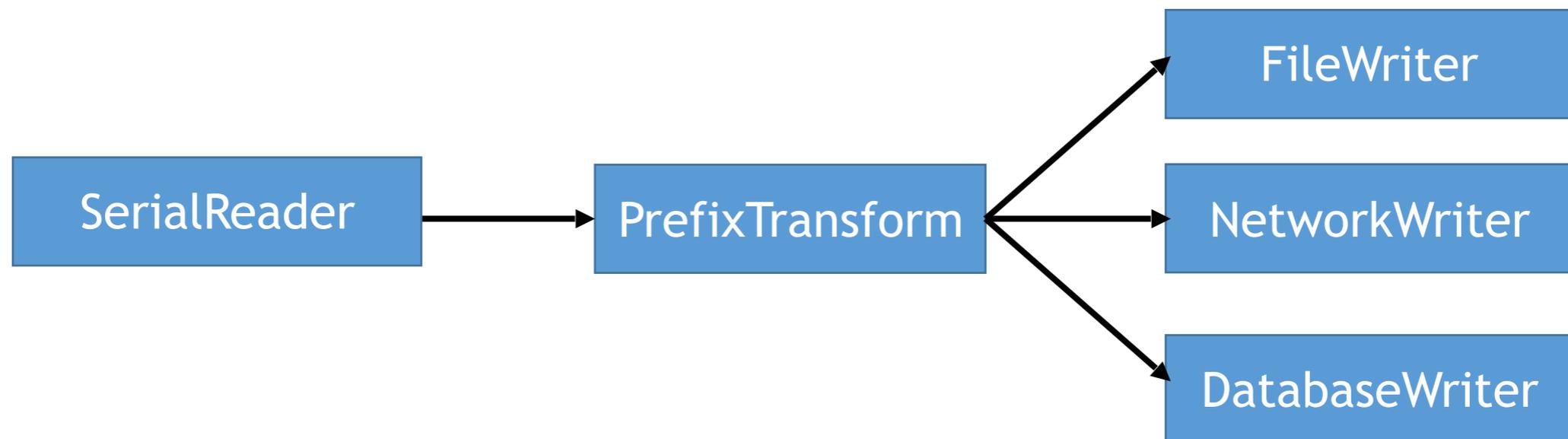
# Python code API

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API makes it easy to combine existing Readers/Writers/Transforms (or create your own as needed)

# Listeners - a command line interface

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```



# Configuration files

## Single logger

```
listener.py --config test/config/sample_logger.json
```

## A set of loggers

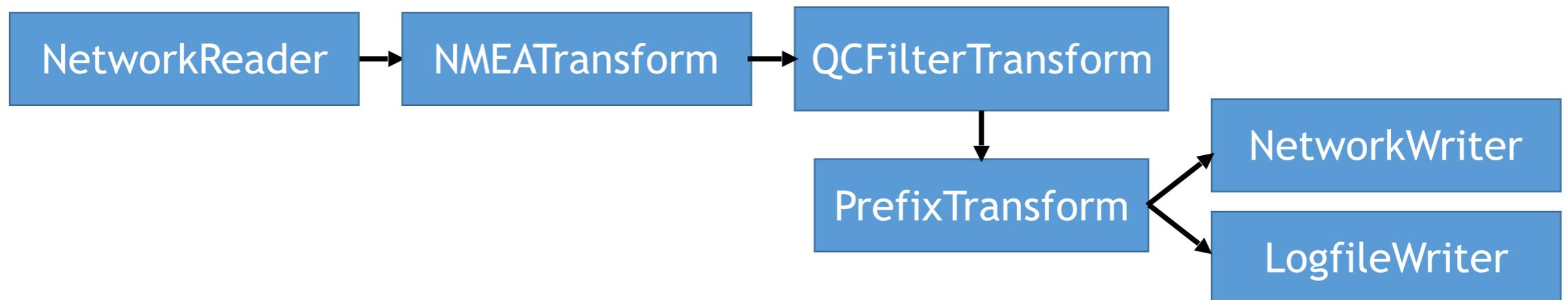
```
logger_runner.py --config test/config/sample_config.json
```

## Full cruise control

```
logger_manager.py \  
  --config test/config/sample_cruise.json \  
  --mode underway \  
  --database django \  
  --websocket :8765
```

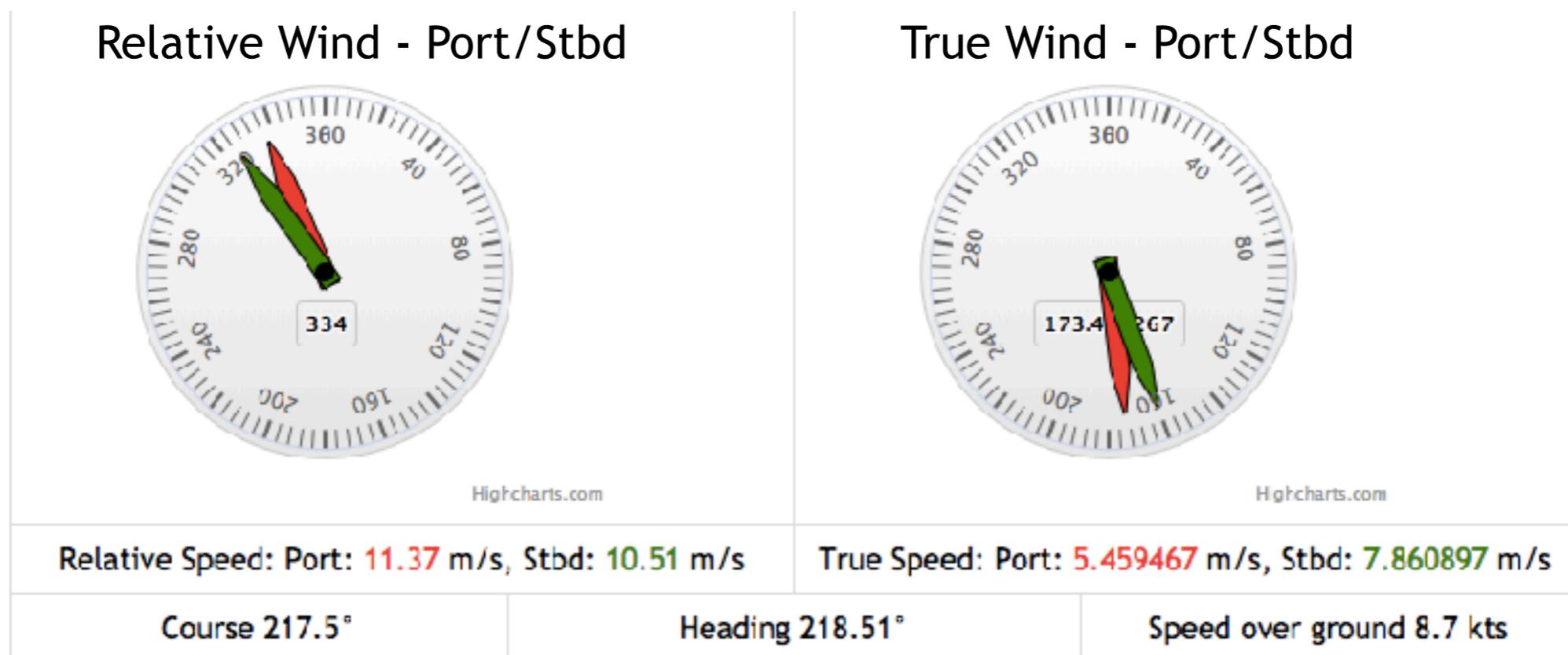
# Example: realtime QC

```
listener.py --network :6224 \  
--transform_parse_nmea \  
--transform_qc_filter \  
  TWNCTension:-150:10000,TWNC Payout:-60:175000 \  
--transform_prefix 'twnc_error' \  
--write_network :6221 \  
--write_logfile /var/log/errors
```



# Example: derived data values

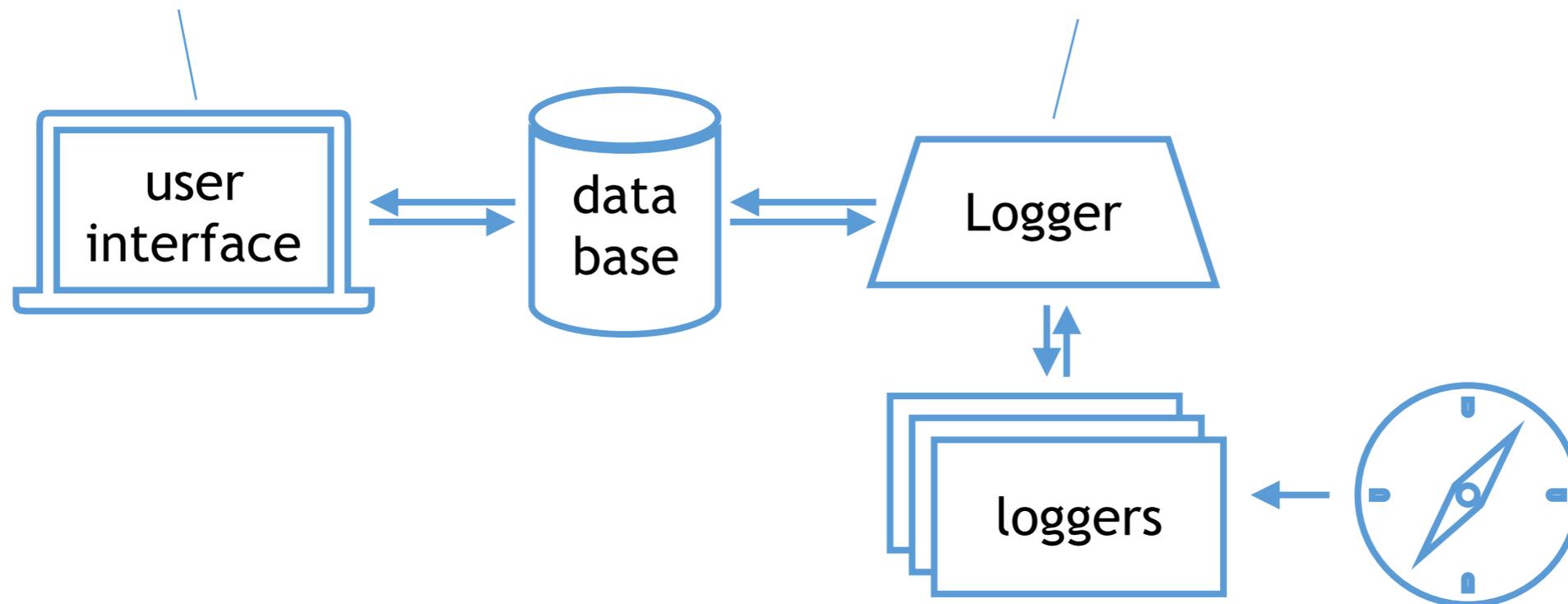
Read inputs from file/database/network,  
compute values, inject outputs back into stream



# Control architecture - a database approach

- writes desired state to database
- retrieves latest observed status from database

- reads desired state from database
- checks observed state from system
- starts/stops processes to reconcile



# Command line interface

```
command? load_cruise test/configs/sample_cruise.json
```

```
command? cruises
```

```
Loaded cruises: NBP1700
```

```
command? modes NBP1700
```

```
Modes for NBP1700: off, port, underway
```

```
command? set_mode NBP1700 port
```

```
command? set_mode NBP1700 underway
```

```
command? logger_configs NBP1700 s330
```

```
Configs for NBP1700:s330: s330->off, s330->net, ...
```

```
command? set_logger_config_name NBP1700 s330 s330->net
```

```
command? set_mode NBP1700 off
```

# Web-based graphic interface

The screenshot displays the OpenRVDAS Cruise Management web interface. The main page shows a table of configurations and a modal dialog for editing the s330 configuration.

**Configuration Table:**

logger	configuration
gyr1	gyr1->net
mwx1	mwx1->net
s330	s330->net
eng1	eng1->net
knud	--None--
rtmp	--None--
qc_logger	--None--

**Edit s330 configuration Dialog:**

localhost:8000/edit\_config/s330

Select config:  s330->net [default]  s330->net/file/db  s330->file

Enabled  Disabled

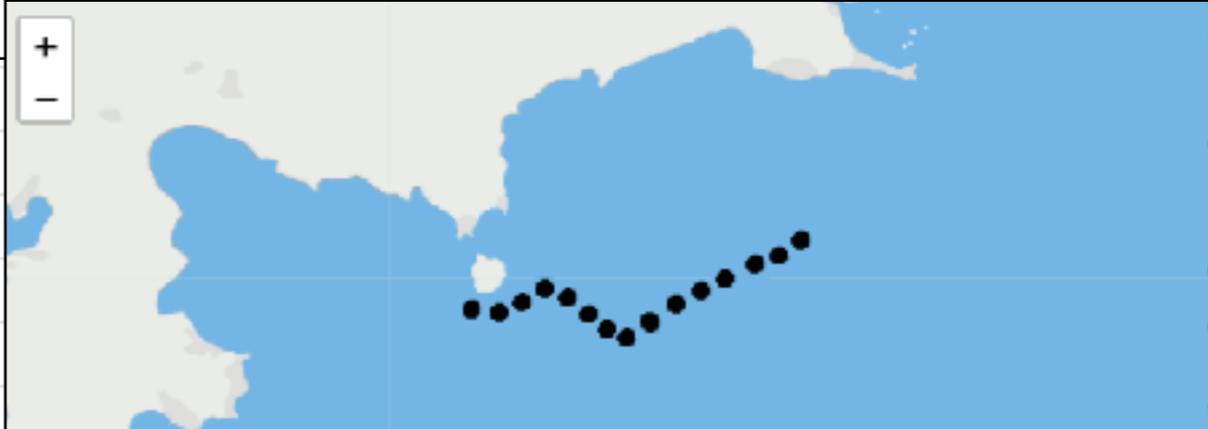
Save Cancel

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Mode: port Change mode

# Javascript-based display widgets

Port Wind Dir	339° M	Speed
Stbd Wind Dir	334° M	Speed
Lat	22.0099° S	Lon
Heading	217.93° T	SOG
Pitch	-1.3°	Roll
RTemp	21.7942° C	Air Temp
Eng Voltage	12.26V	
Aq Room Flow	507.5	
Helo Deck Flow	565.7	
Hydro Lab Flow	233.8	



Waterfall Winch Speed

Tension

Payout: 0 m

Warnings

2018-09-21T1

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0.0 m/min

-2331.0 lbs

Trawl Winch Speed

Tension

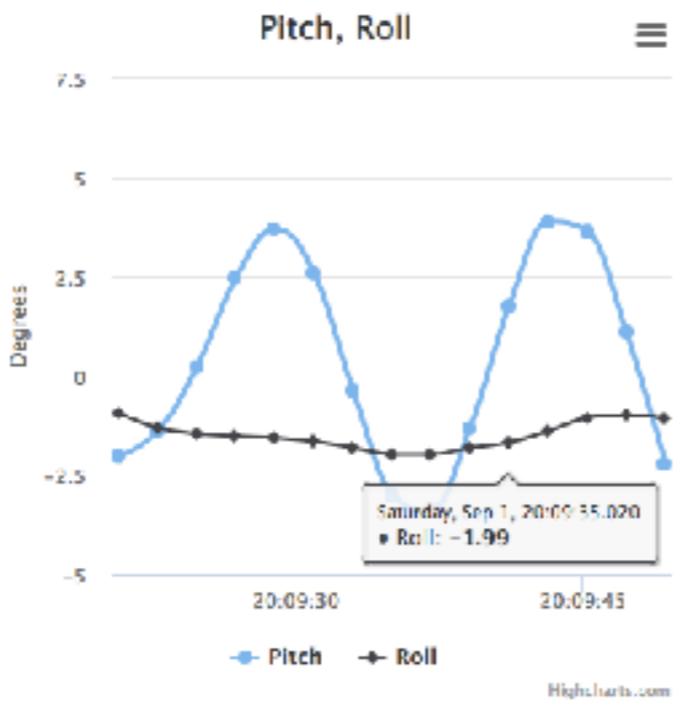
Payout: -34

Warnings

0.0 m/min

38.0 lbs

Pitch, Roll



Attitude: Pitch -2.21°, Roll -1.08°

Position: Lat 62.1508°S, Lon 57.6808°W

Port Relative Wind, Stbd Relative Wind



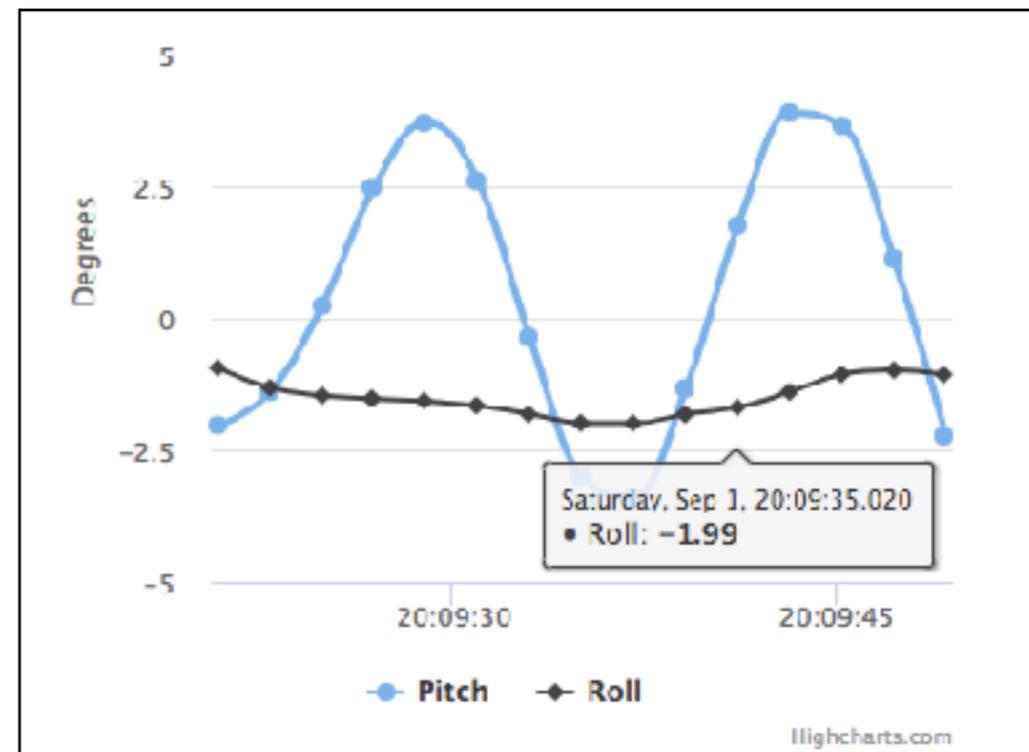
Relative Speed: Port: 11.68 m/s, Stbd: 10.45 m/s

# Javascript-based display widgets

```
<div id="line-container" style="height:400px;min-width:310px"></div>
```

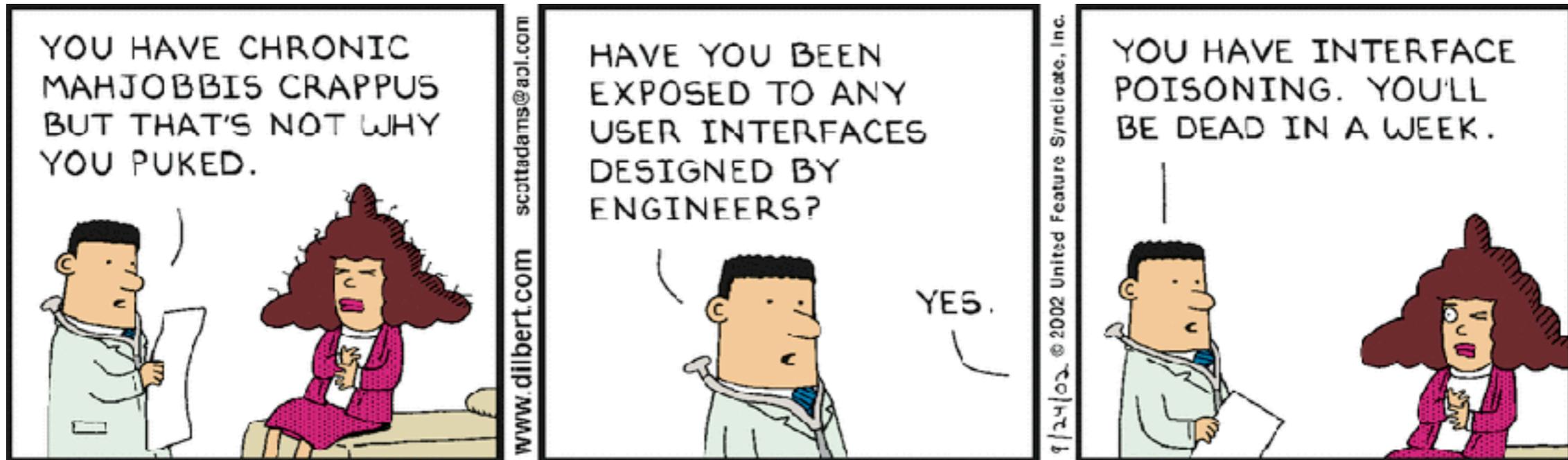
```
<script type="text/javascript">
```

```
var line_fields = {  
  S330Pitch: {  
    name: "Pitch",  
    seconds: 30  
  },  
  S330Roll: {  
    name: "Roll",  
    seconds: 30  
  }  
};
```



```
var widget_list = [new TimelineWidget('line-container',  
                                     line_fields, 'Degrees')];  
var widget_server = new WidgetServer(widget_list, WEBSOCKET_SERVER);  
widget_server.serve();  
</script>
```

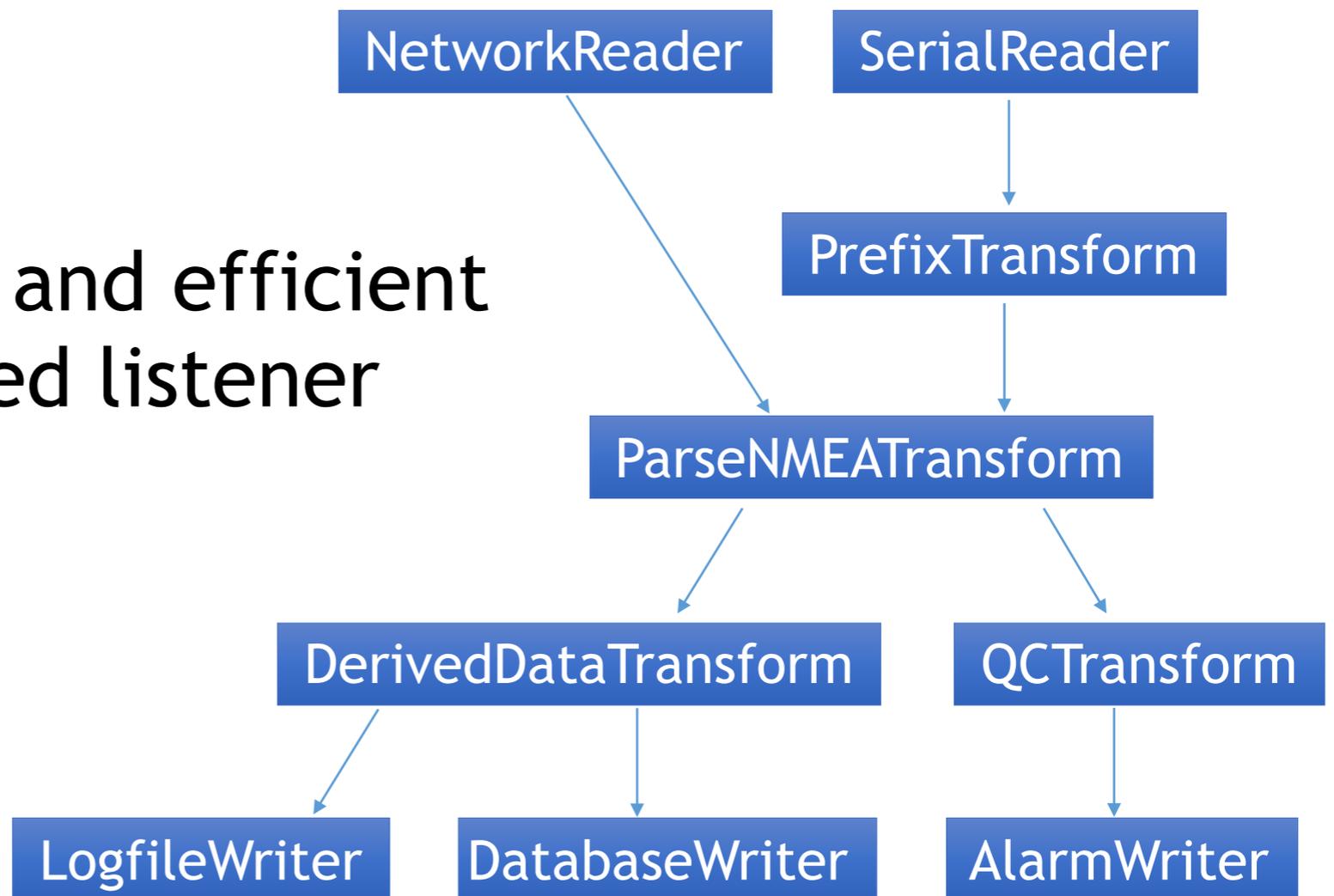
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Better Control UX

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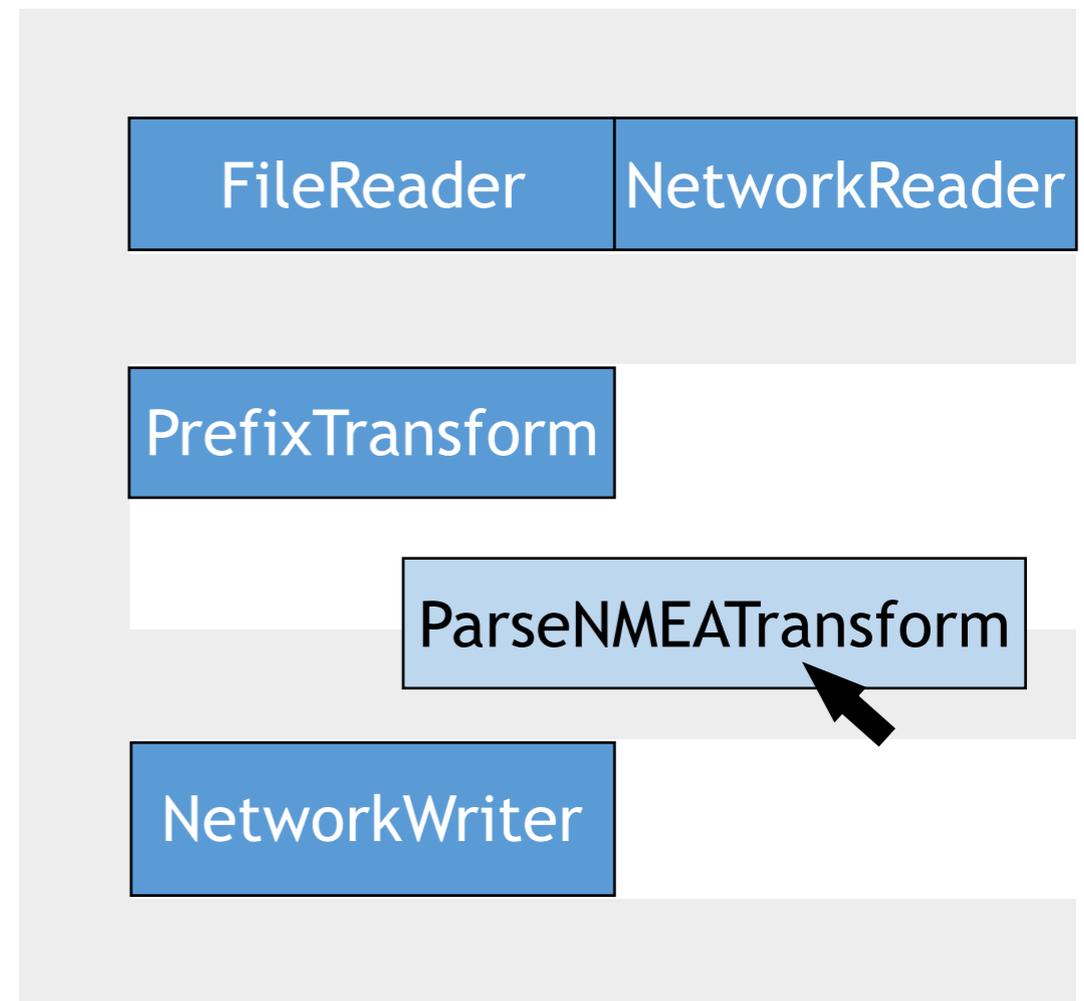
More flexible and efficient  
dataflow-based listener



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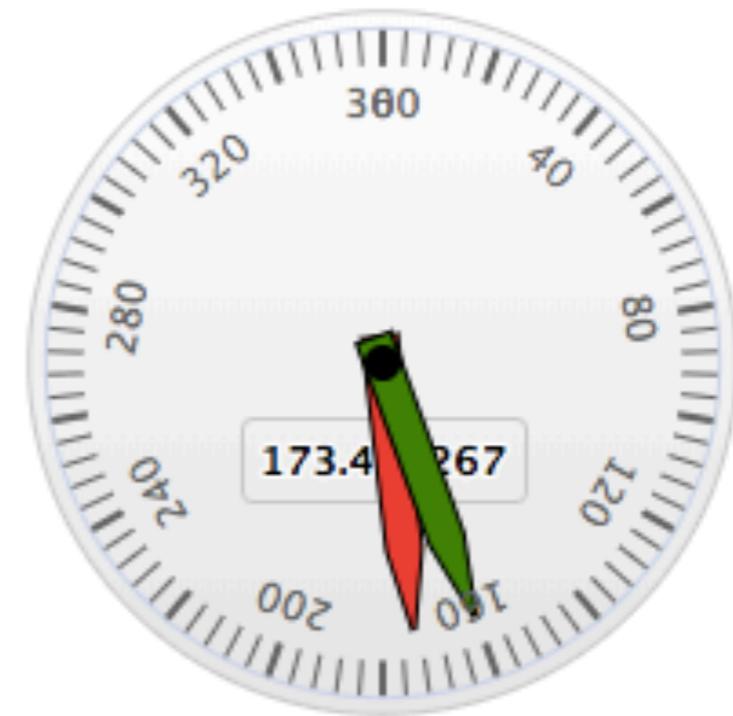
Better ways to compose  
Readers/Transforms/Writers

Maybe Scratch-like visual  
interface?



# What's next?

GUI-based creation and customization of entire displays



What's next?



Sea trials!

For more information

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