

# Tauranga Transport Operations Centre





# Cost-Effective Vehicle Analytics with Axis hardware and Open Source

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#### The Need, the Challenges

- Ongoing public concern about speeding in the city
- Lack of available data to validate or quantify the issue
- Need for a low-cost, scalable, and automated monitoring solution
- Needs to be simple to consume for the business
- Doesn't need all the bells and whistles
- A little bit of budget available from the safety team (\$10k)
- Limited resource available
- I'm not a data scientist, I'm an IT guy. Baby steps...

#### **Define Objective**

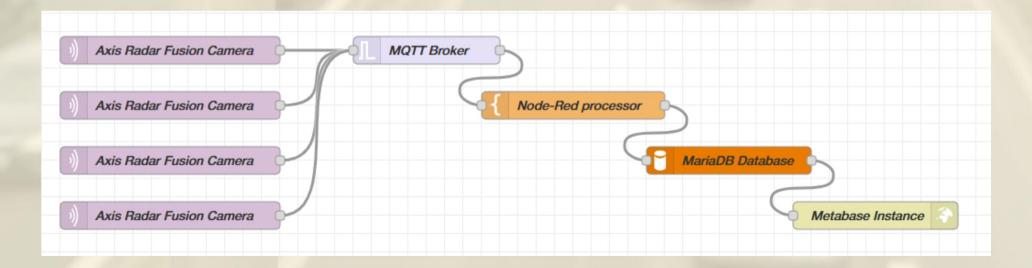
- Determine the extent of the speeding problem
- Collect reliable, real-time vehicle speed data
- Do it on the smell of an oily rag

### **Draft Design**

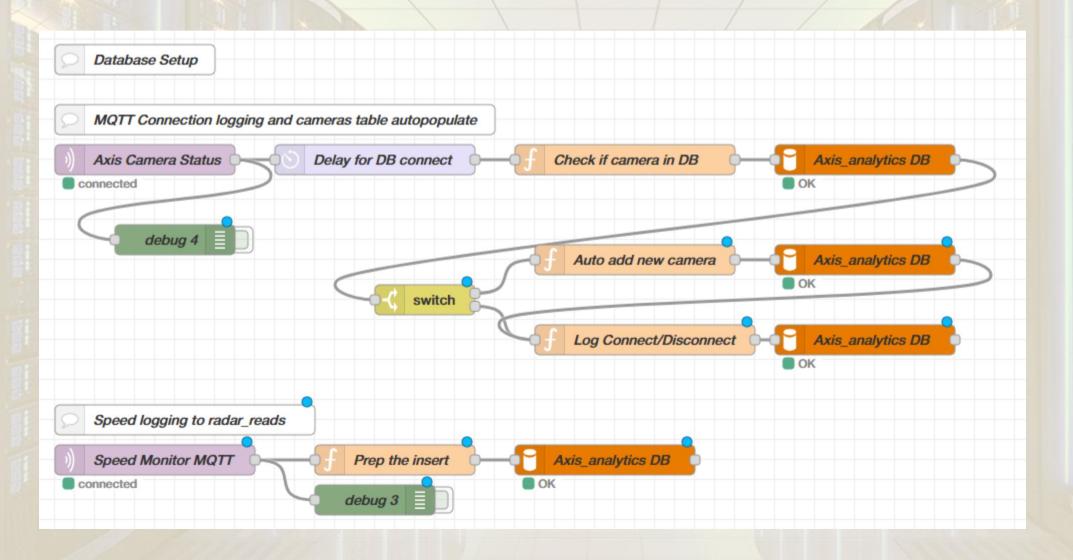
- Deploy an Axis radar fusion camera to monitor vehicle speeds
- Use open-source tools to process, store, and visualize data
- Create an automated pipeline from data capture to reporting

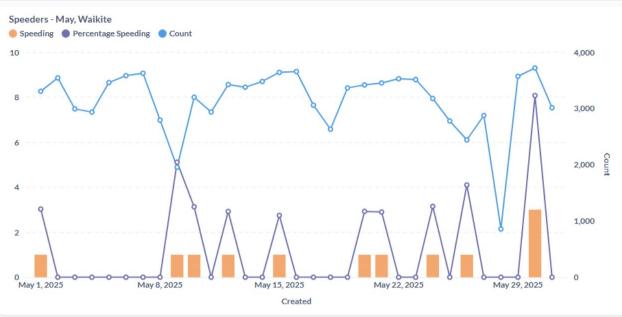
#### **The Solution**

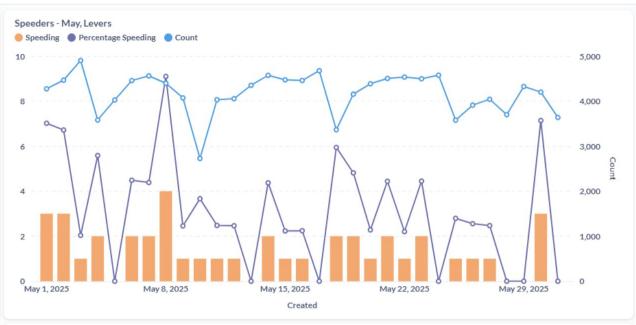
- Axis Q1656-DLE radar fusion camera to generate the data
- Mosquitto MQTT broker for message handling
- Node-RED for logic, filtering and functionality
- MariaDB for data storage, Metabase for dashboards

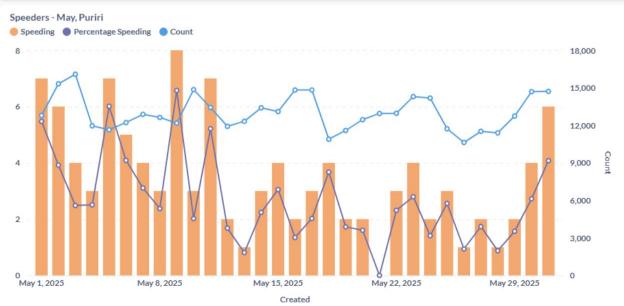


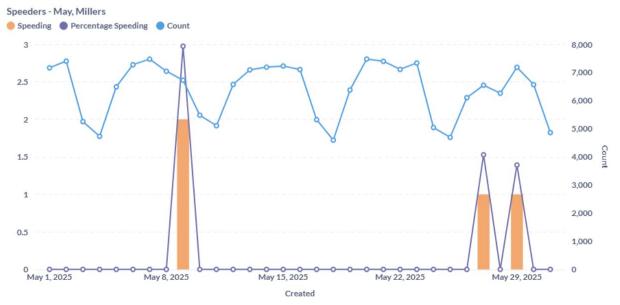
#### **Node-Red flow**



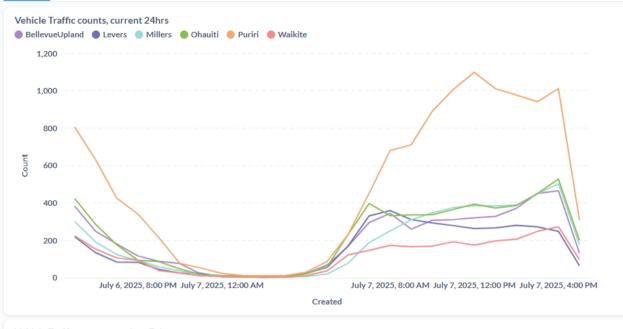




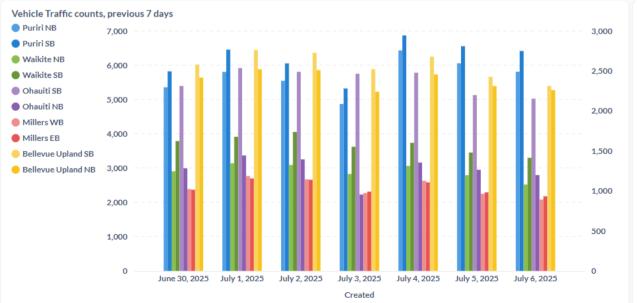


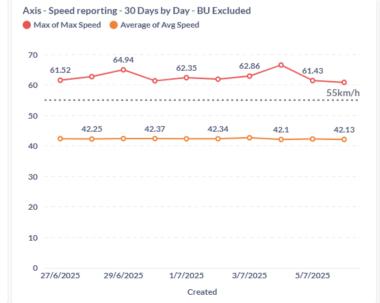


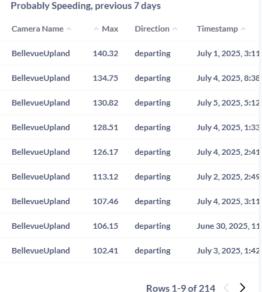
Realtime Demo







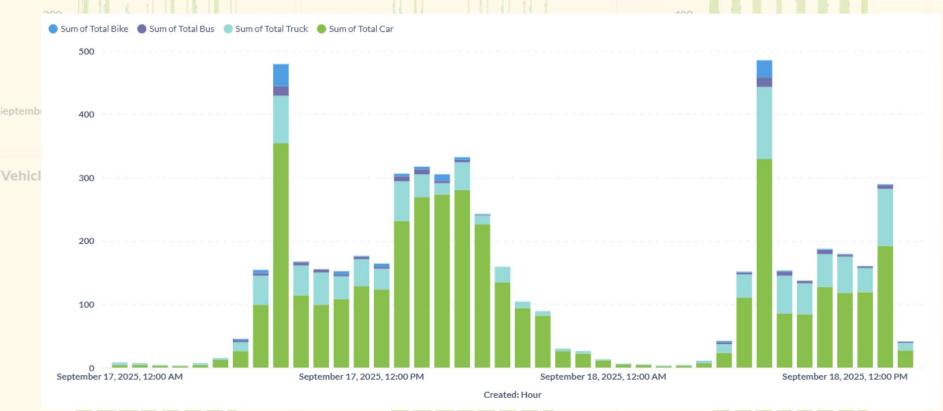




#### Lessons learned, future improvements

- Axis camera integration was very straight forward
- MQTT and Node-RED provides great flexibility
- Importance of data validation and filtering
- Counting and Classification was an immediate next step
- Open-source tools can be powerful but are they production-ready?
- Reports for excessive speeding
- Totally remote deployment using a NUC and Mobile networks





Vehicle Counts - Turret Rd SB - 7 days

### And not just for roading...



#### It's also good for monitoring...



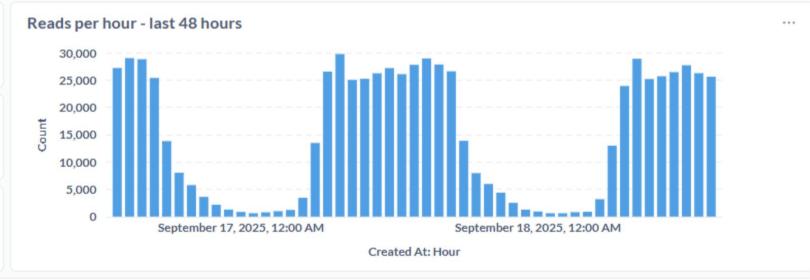
Realtime reads ...

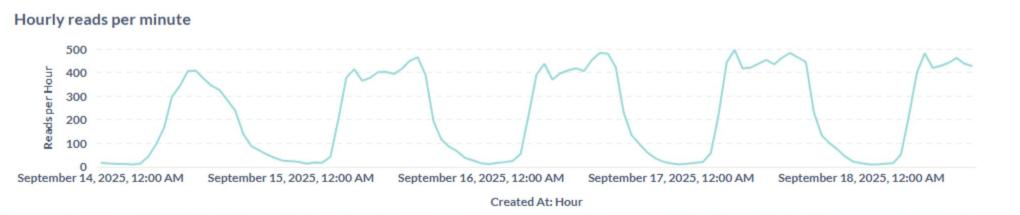
28,812 Realtime reads per hour

229.6k

Plates read today

5,371
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## **Questions? Feedback?**

Hopefully you've seen this running in the TTOC

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