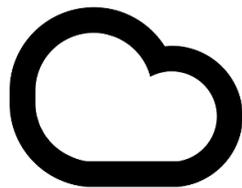




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# Awesome Logging Infrastructure Using The Elastic Stack

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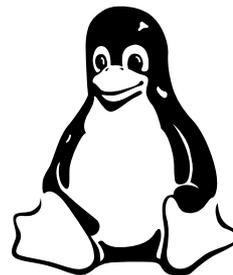
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# About Elastic



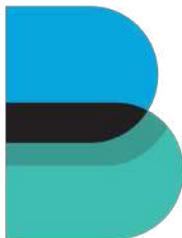
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# About Elastic - Engineering team





# Why logging?



**How many users signed up  
to our newsletter this week?**

*Business Analyst*



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# How successful is our advertising campaign?

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*Marketing Team*

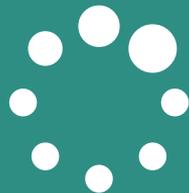


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# When should we schedule maintenance?

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*VP Operations*



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# Why is the database slow?

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*Sysadmin*



**Logging is hard**

# Required Expertise

# Access Rights

# Unstructured Logging

```
RemoteTransportException[[Anelle][127.0.0.1:9301][indices:data/read/percolate[s]]]; nested: PercolateException[failed to percolate]; nested: PercolateException[failed to execute]; nested: NullPointerException;
Caused by: PercolateException[failed to percolate]; nested: PercolateException[failed to execute]; nested: NullPointerException;
    at org.elasticsearch.action.percolate.TransportPercolateAction.shardOperation(TransportPercolateAction.java:180)
    at org.elasticsearch.action.percolate.TransportPercolateAction.shardOperation(TransportPercolateAction.java:55)
    at org.elasticsearch.action.support.broadcast.TransportBroadcastAction$ShardTransportHandler.messageReceived(TransportBroadcastAction.java:268)
    at org.elasticsearch.action.support.broadcast.TransportBroadcastAction$ShardTransportHandler.messageReceived(TransportBroadcastAction.java:264)
    at org.elasticsearch.transport.TransportService$4.doRun(TransportService.java:350)
    at org.elasticsearch.common.util.concurrent.AbstractRunnable.run(AbstractRunnable.java:37)
    at java.util.concurrent.ThreadPoolExecutor.runWorker(ThreadPoolExecutor.java:1142)
    at java.util.concurrent.ThreadPoolExecutor$Worker.run(ThreadPoolExecutor.java:617)
    at java.lang.Thread.run(Thread.java:745)
Caused by: PercolateException[failed to execute]; nested: NullPointerException;
    at org.elasticsearch.percolator.PercolatorService$4.doPercolate(PercolatorService.java:583)
    at org.elasticsearch.percolator.PercolatorService.percolate(PercolatorService.java:254)
    at org.elasticsearch.action.percolate.TransportPercolateAction.shardOperation(TransportPercolateAction.java:177)
    ... 8 more
Caused by: java.lang.NullPointerException
    at org.apache.lucene.search.GeoPointTermQueryConstantScoreWrapper$1.getDocIDs(GeoPointTermQueryConstantScoreWrapper.java:86)
    at org.apache.lucene.search.GeoPointTermQueryConstantScoreWrapper$1.scorer(GeoPointTermQueryConstantScoreWrapper.java:126)
    at org.apache.lucene.search.LRUQueryCache$CachingWrapperWeight.scorer(LRUQueryCache.java:628)
    at org.apache.lucene.search.BooleanWeight.scorer(BooleanWeight.java:280)
    at org.apache.lucene.search.LRUQueryCache$CachingWrapperWeight.scorer(LRUQueryCache.java:628)
    at org.apache.lucene.search.BooleanWeight.scorer(BooleanWeight.java:280)
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    at org.apache.lucene.search.LRUQueryCache$CachingWrapperWeight.scorer(LRUQueryCache.java:628)
    at org.elasticsearch.common.lucene.Lucene.exists(Lucene.java:248)
    at org.elasticsearch.percolator.PercolatorService$4.doPercolate(PercolatorService.java:571)
    ... 10 more
```

# Semi-Structured Logging

```
Mar  6 10:02:42 my-host mosquito[18881]: mosquito version 0.15 (build date
2013-08-23 19:23:43+0000) starting
```

```
Mar  7 06:43:06 my-host CRON[28050]: (CRON) info (No MTA installed, discarding
output)
```

```
Mar  7 06:45:01 my-host CRON[28325]: (root) CMD (command -v debian-sa1 > /dev/null
&& debian-sa1 1 1)
```

```
Mar  7 12:01:40 my-host kernel: [256359.334516] init: meetup-stream main process
(24941) killed by TERM signal
```

# Semi-Structured Logging

# Structured Logging

```
{
  "error": {
    "root_cause": [
      {
        "type": "repository_exception",
        "reason": "[test-6] failed to create repository"
      }
    ],
    "type": "repository_exception",
    "reason": "[test-6] failed to create repository",
    "caused_by": {
      "type": "creation_exception",
      "reason": "Guice creation errors:\n\n1) ...",
      "caused_by": {
        "type": "amazon_s3_exception",
        "reason": "The specified location-constraint is not valid (Service: Amazon S3; Status Code: 400; Error Code: InvalidLocationConstraint; Request ID: 85CFF34E01878232)"
      }
    }
  },
  "status": 500
}
```

## Structured Logging

# Structured Logging

```
1.2.3.4 - - [07/Mar/2016:09:57:02 +0100] "GET /posts/2015-05-04-producing-technical-documentation-an-overview.html HTTP/1.1" 200 11755 "-" "Mozilla/5.0 (Macintosh; Intel Mac OS X 10_11_3) AppleWebKit/601.4.4 (KHTML, like Gecko)"
```

# Timestamps

[29/Apr/2011:07:05:26 +0000]

Oct 11 20:21:47

# Timestamps

130460505

@4000000037c219bf2ef02e94

020805 13:51:24

# Enrichment

# Centralization

# Shipping

# Analytics

# Visualization

# Alerting

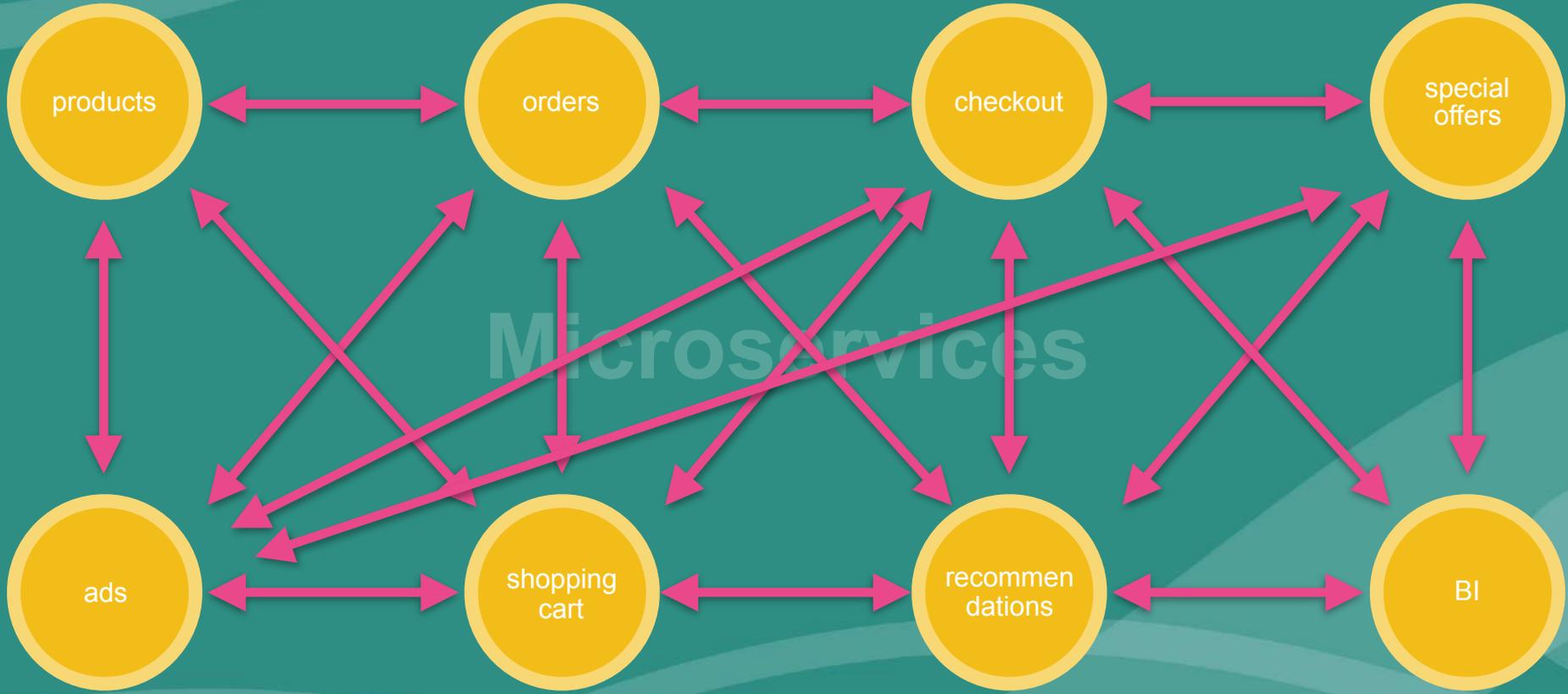
# Outages

# Peaks



**Logging got harder!**

# Microservices



# Serverless



# Cluster/server/process management platforms

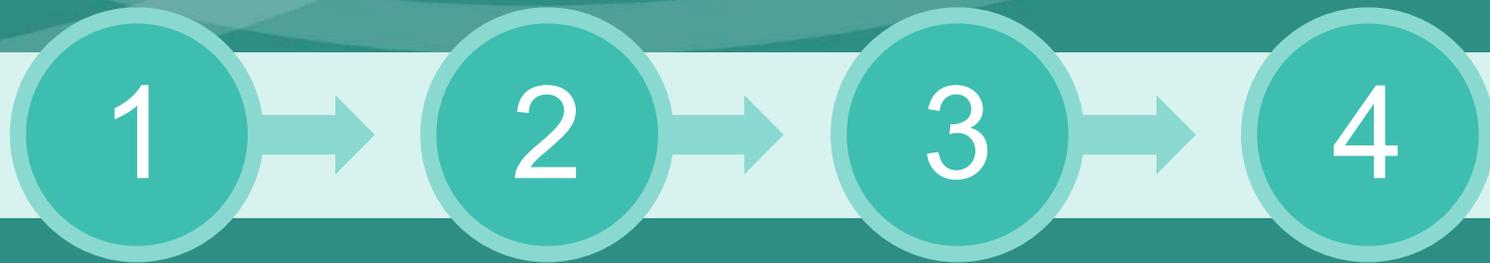


# Short lived services





# Lifecycle of a log



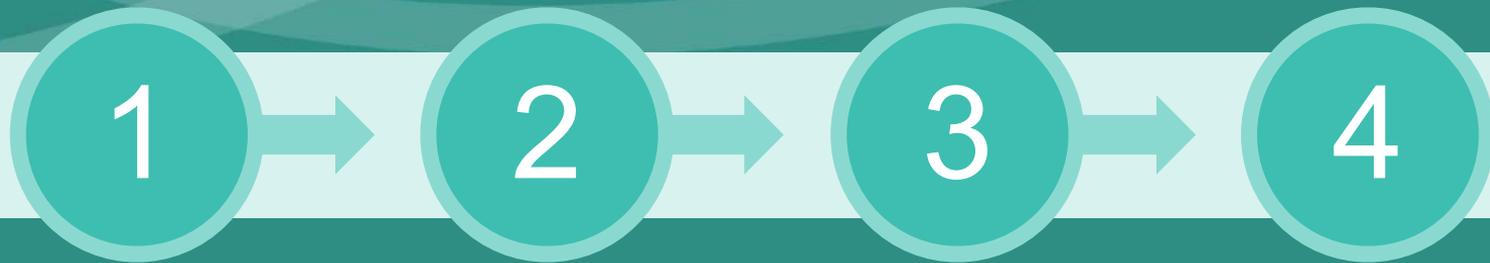
Creation

Ship

Centralize

Enrich

# Lifecycle



Creation

Ship

Centralize

Enrich

# Lifecycle



Store

Analyze

Visualize

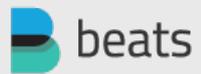
Archive



# Architecture

shipper

# Architecture

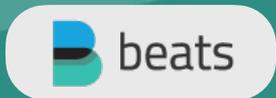


# Architecture

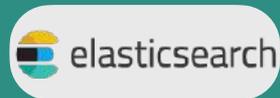
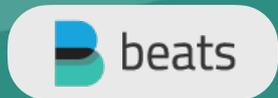


receiver

# Architecture



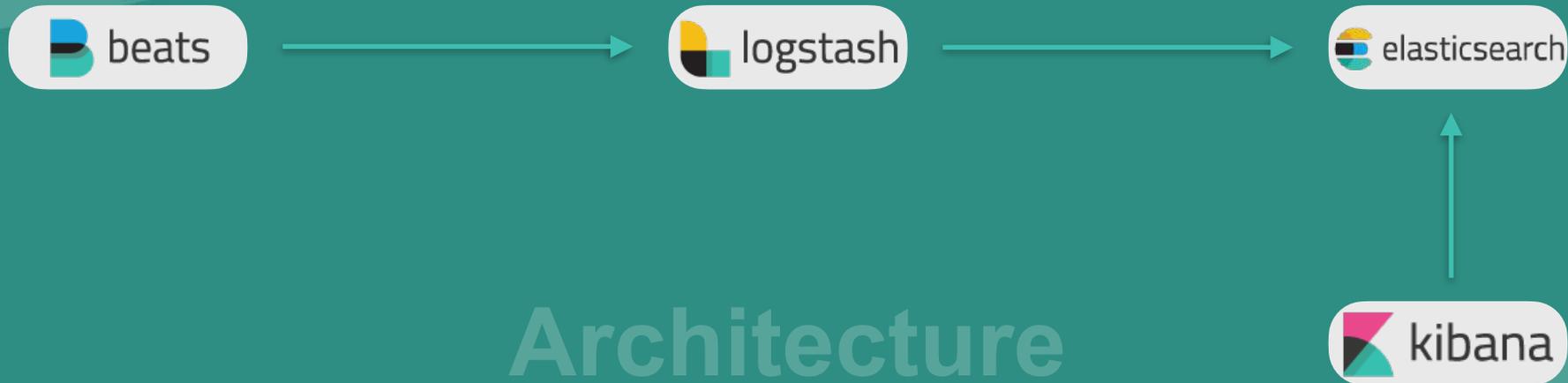
# Architecture



# Architecture



# Architecture

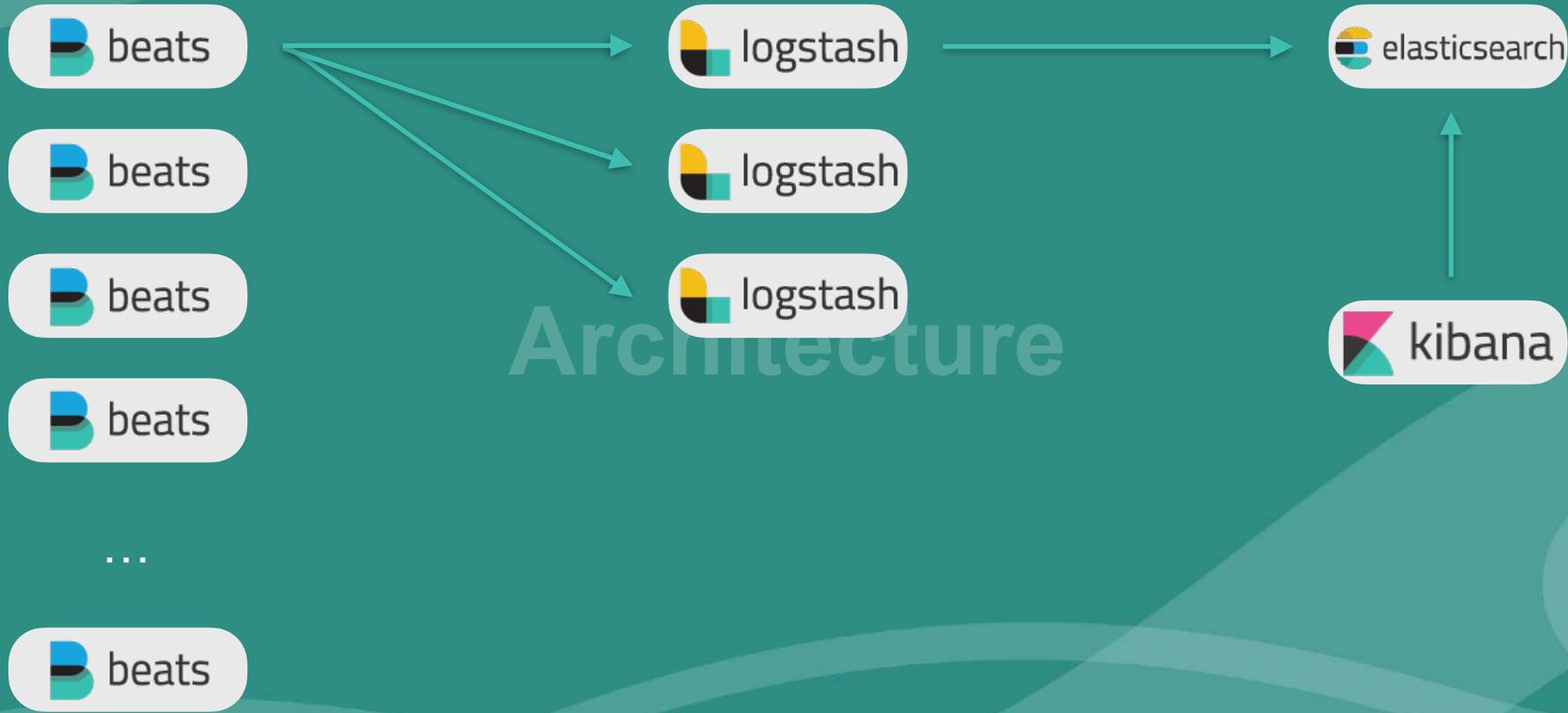


# Architecture

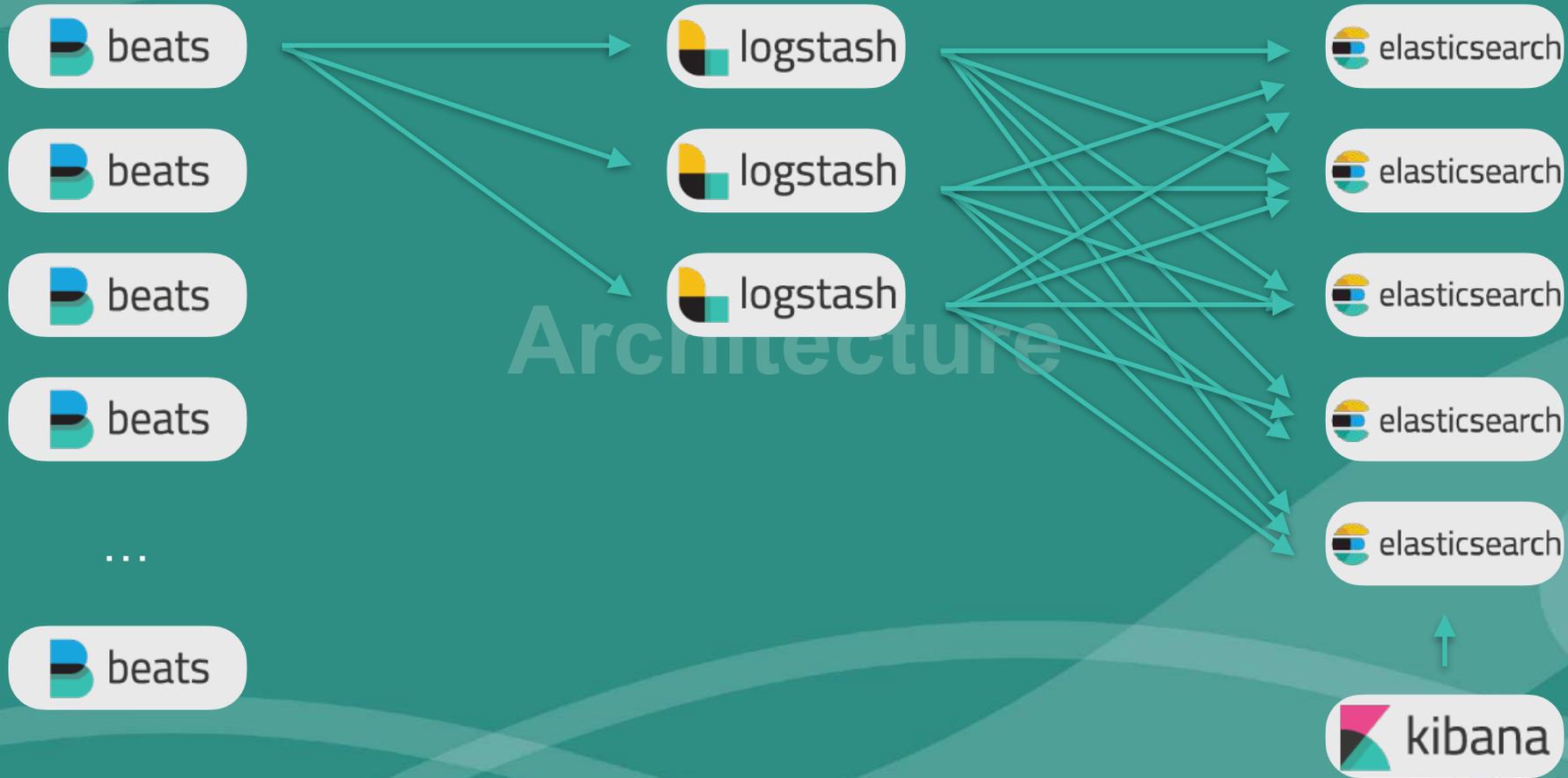
# Architecture

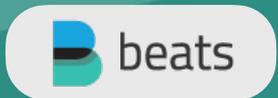


# Architecture



# Architecture





# Architecture



**TLS**

**acks**

**lightweight**

# Architecture

**auth**

**no deps**

**tags**

**compression**



# Architecture



# Architecture



# Visualization


**usagov**

metrics

**Y-Axis**

Count

+ Add Aggregation

buckets

Split Lines

Aggregation

Terms

Field

agent.raw

Order

Size

Top

10

Order By

metric: Count

Advanced

**X-Axis**

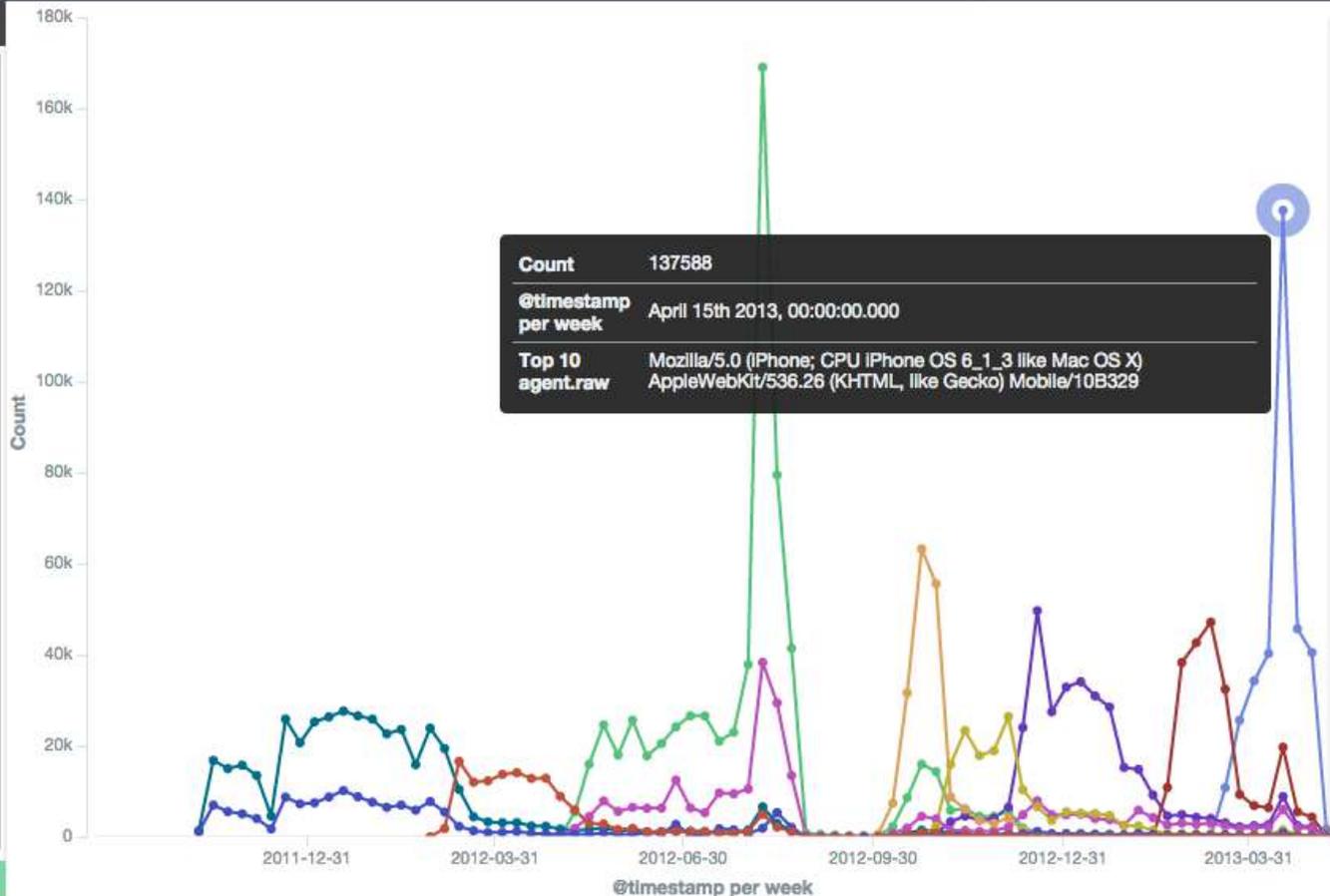
@timestamp per week

+ Add Sub Aggregation

view options

Apply

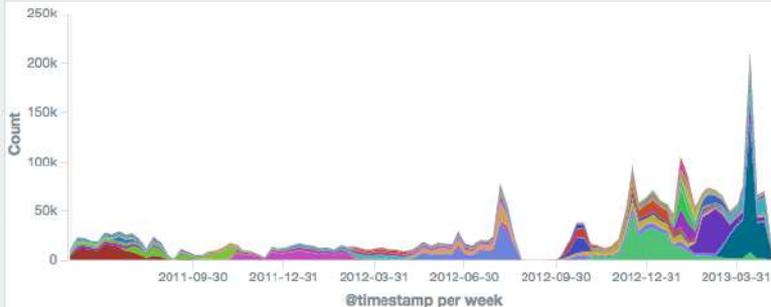
Discard



Filter...



### Browsers



### Overall hits



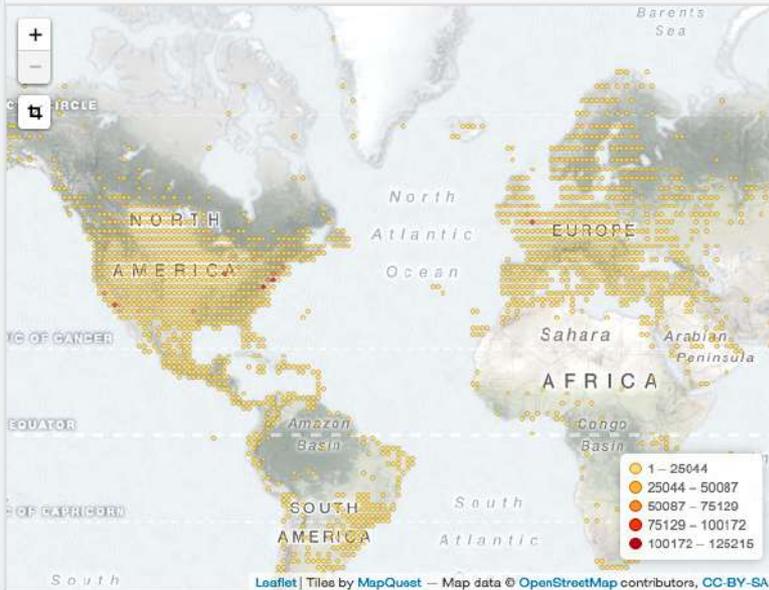
Legend



Count



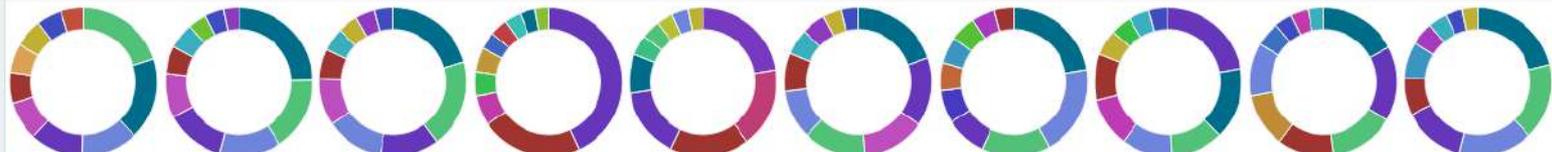
### Hit locations



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### None twitter-browser adoption



US: geo.country...

GB: geo.country...

CA: geo.country...

HK: geo.country...

JP: geo.country...

AU: geo.country...

MX: geo.country...

DE: geo.country...

NL: geo.country...

ES: geo.country...



Table - Linked to saved search

CN: Top 5 unusual terms in geo.src

Top 3 unusual terms in geo.dest	Count	Average bytes	Min bytes	Max bytes
IN	37,873	5,678.881	0	20,000
US	19,565	5,741.34	0	19,998
FR	2,068	5,656.123	0	19,905

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IN: Top 5 unusual terms in geo.src

Top 3 unusual terms in geo.dest	Count	Average bytes	Min bytes	Max bytes
IN	23,362	5,721.242	0	19,987
US	12,109	5,708.292	0	19,991
FR	1,286	5,699.614	0	19,987

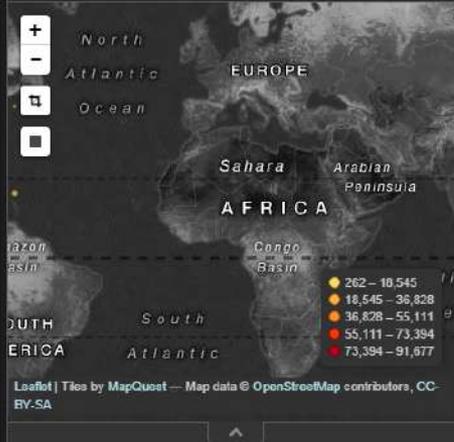
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US: Top 5 unusual terms in geo.src

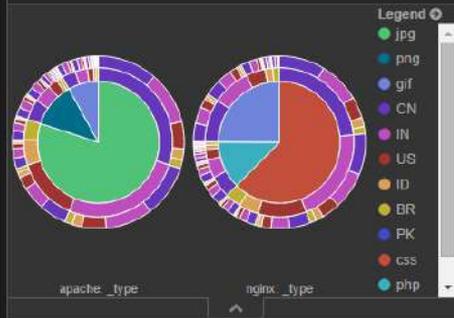
Top 3 unusual terms in geo.dest	Count	Average bytes	Min bytes	Max bytes
IN	15,697	5,684.007	0	19,999
US	8,434	5,780.181	0	19,947
FR	815	5,697.751	0	19,982

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Tile Map - Bound to Second Saved Search



Pie Chart - NOT bound to saved search



Bar Graph: Linked to First Saved Search

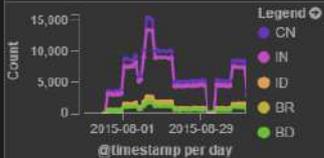


Metric - Bound to OTHER Saved...

892,201

Count

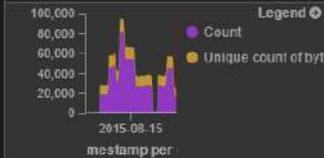
Line Graph - NOT Linked to save...



Markdown - NOT bound to data

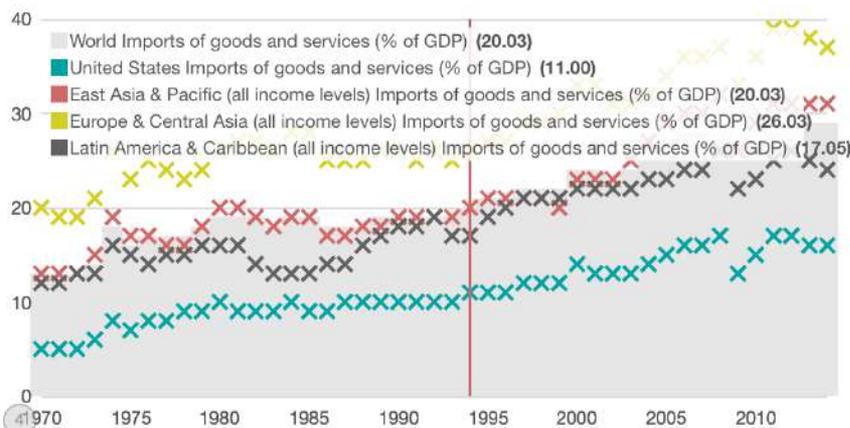
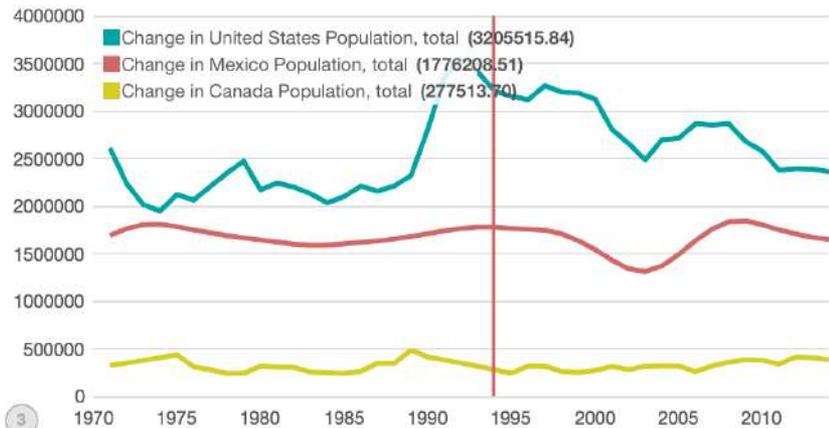
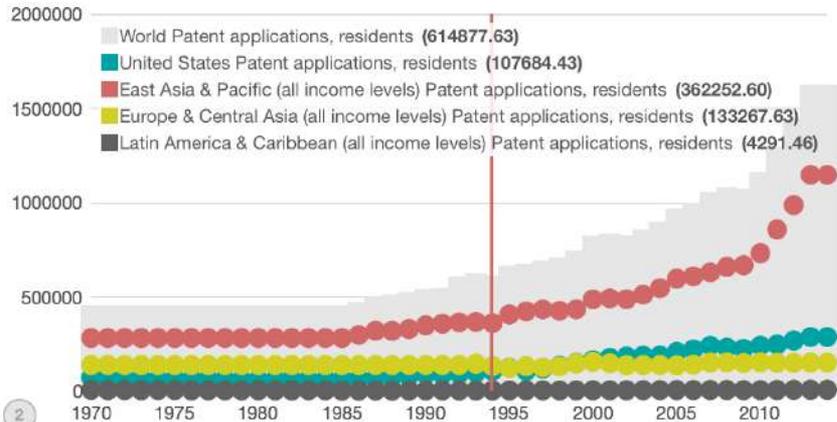
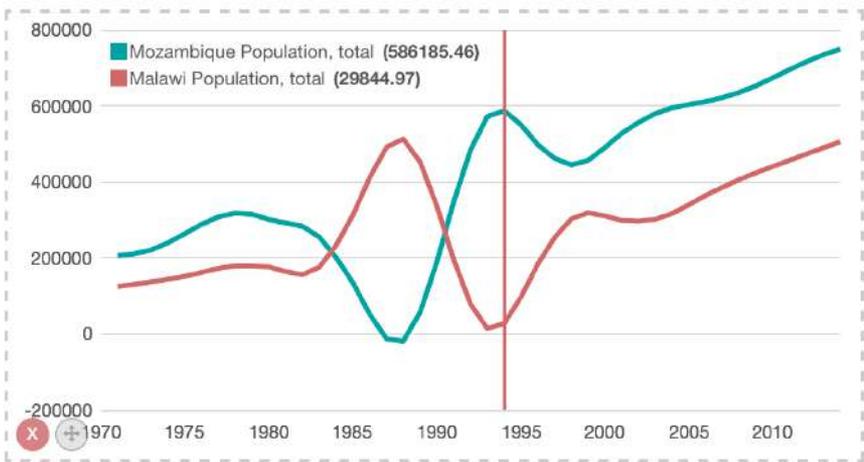
This isn't bound to data.

Area graph - unique count of byt...

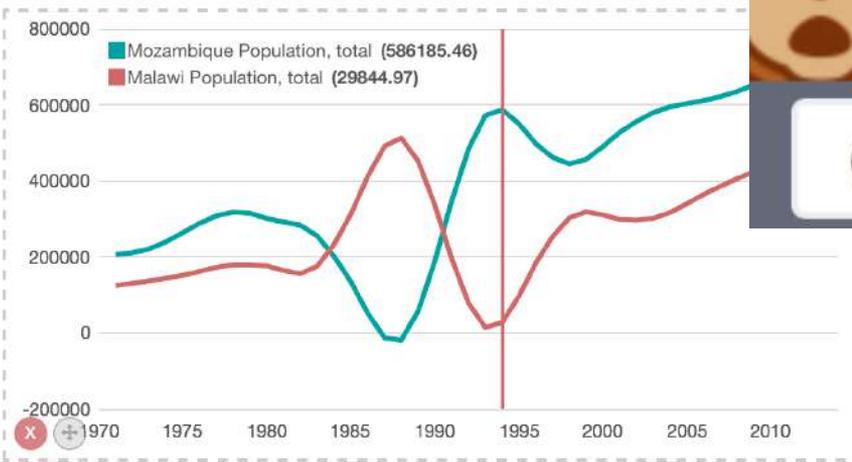


(.wbi(MZ), .wbi(MW)).derivative()

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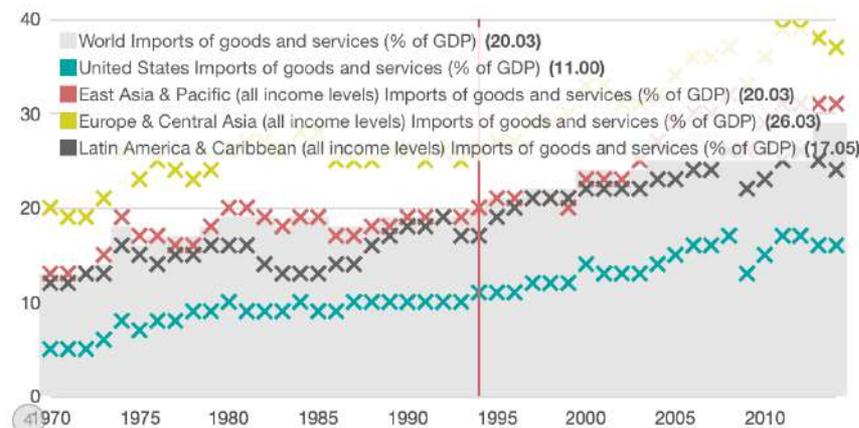
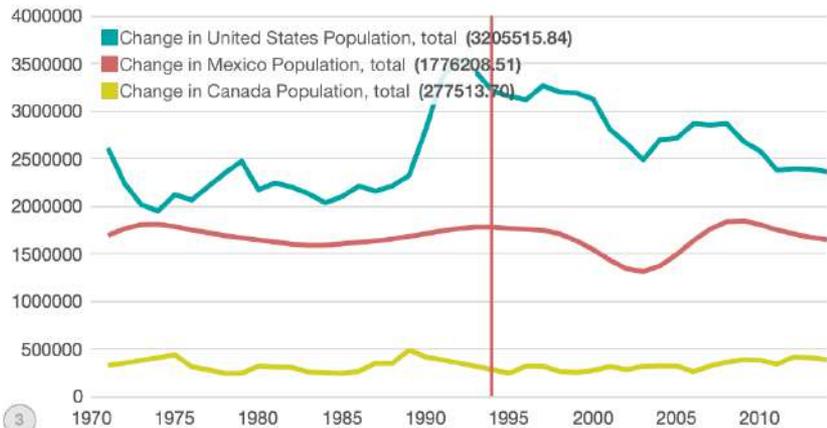
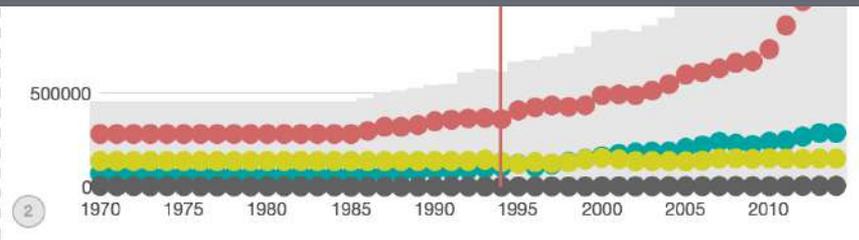


`(.wbi(MZ), .wbi(MW)).derivative()`



timelion

`(.wbi(MZ), .wbi(MW)).derivative()`



```
1 # Delete all data in the `website` index
2 DELETE /website
3
4 # Create a document with ID 123
5 PUT /website/blog/123
6 {
7   "title": "My first blog entry",
8   "text": "Just trying this out...",
9   "date": "2014/01/01"
10 }
11
12 # Search!
13 GET website/_search
14 {
15   "query": {
16     "match": {
17       "title": "blog"
18     }
19   }
20 }
```

```
1 # DELETE /website
2 { }
5
6 # PUT /website/blog/123
7 { }
19
20 # GET website/_search
21 {
22   "took": 3,
23   "timed_out": false,
24   "_shards": {
25     "total": 5,
26     "successful": 5,
27     "failed": 0
28   },
29   "hits": {
30     "total": 0,
31     "max_score": null,
32     "hits": []
33   }
34 }
```

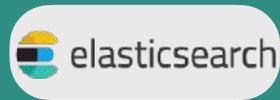


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**But I just want Apache Logs  
in Kibana, this is all too  
complex!**

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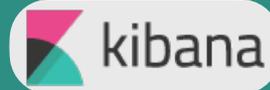
*Everyone, ever*



# Ingest pipeline



# Ingest pipeline



Document enrichment before indexing  
failure handlers to change field or destination index on error

# Ingest pipeline

## Processors

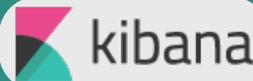
`set, append, remove, rename, convert, gsub, join, split,  
lowercase, uppercase, trim, grok, date, fail`



PUT/\_ingest/pipeline/access-log-pipeline

```
{  
  "description" : "Apache Logs Pipeline",  
  "processors" : [  
    { "grok" : { ... } },  
    { "convert" : { ... } },  
    { "convert" : { ... } },  
    { "date" : { ... } },  
    { "geoip" : { ... } },  
  ]  
}
```

Ingest pipeline

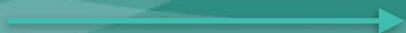
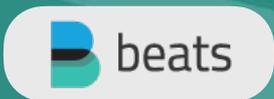


...

```
{  
  "grok" : {  
    "field" : "message",  
    "pattern" : "%{COMBINEDAPACHELOG}"  
  }  
},
```

...

Ingest pipeline

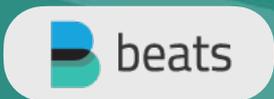


...

```
{  
  "convert" : {  
    "field": "response",  
    "type": "integer"  
  }  
},
```

...

# Ingest pipeline

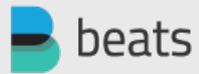


...

```
{  
  "convert" : {  
    "field": "bytes",  
    "type": "integer"  
  }  
},
```

...

# Ingest pipeline

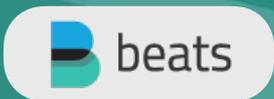


...

```
{  
  "date" : {  
    "match_field": "timestamp",  
    "match_formats": [ "dd/MMM/YYYY:HH:mm:ss Z" ]  
  }  
},
```

...

Ingest pipeline



...

```
{  
  "geoip" : {  
    "source_field" : "clientip"  
  }  
}
```

...

# Ingest pipeline

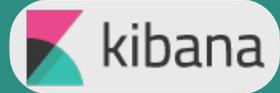


POST logs/log?pipeline=access-log-pipeline

```
{  
  "message" : "70.193.17.92 - - [08/Sep/2014:02:54:42 +0000]  
  \"GET /presentations/logstash-scale11x/images/  
  ahhh__rage_face_by_samusmmx-d5g5zap.png HTTP/1.1\" 200  
  175208 \"http://mobile.rivals.com/board_posts.asp?  
  SID=880&mid=198829575&fid=2208&tid=198829575&Team=&TeamId=&Si  
  teId=\" \"Mozilla/5.0 (Linux; Android 4.2.2; VS980 4G Build/  
  JDQ39B) AppleWebKit/537.36 (KHTML, like Gecko) Chrome/  
  33.0.1750.135 Mobile Safari/537.36\" \"  
}
```



```
{
  "_index": "logs", "_type": "log", "_id": "AVKiNsYu-Si4Nc0nCP5b",
  "_version": 1, "found": true,
  "_source": {
    "request": "/presentations/logstash-scale11x/images/
ahhh__rage_face_by_samusmmx-d5g5zap.png",
    "agent": "\"Mozilla/5.0 (Linux; Android 4.2.2; VS980 4G Build/JDQ39B)
AppleWebKit/537.36 (KHTML, like Gecko) Chrome/33.0.1750.135 Mobile Safari/
537.36\"",
    "geoip": {
      "continent_name": "North America",
      "city_name": "Charlotte",
      "country_iso_code": "US",
      "region_name": "North Carolina",
      "location": { "lon": -80.8431, "lat": 35.2271 }
    }
  },
}
```



...

```
"auth": "-", "ident": "-", "verb": "GET", "httpversion": "1.1",
  message: "70.193.17.92 - - [08/Sep/2014:02:54:42 +0000] \"GET /
presentations/logstash-scale11x/images/ahhh__rage_face_by_samusmmx-d5g5zap.png
HTTP/1.1\" 200 175208 \"http://mobile.rivals.com/board_posts.asp?
SID=880&mid=198829575&fid=2208&tid=198829575&Team=&TeamId=&SiteId=\" \"Mozilla/
5.0 (Linux; Android 4.2.2; VS980 4G Build/JDQ39B) AppleWebKit/537.36 (KHTML,
like Gecko) Chrome/33.0.1750.135 Mobile Safari/537.36\"",
  "referrer": "\"http://mobile.rivals.com/board_posts.asp?
SID=880&mid=198829575&fid=2208&tid=198829575&Team=&TeamId=&SiteId=\"",
  "response": 200, bytes: 175208,
  "clientip": "70.193.17.92",
  "rawrequest": null,
  "@timestamp": "2014-09-08T02:54:42.000Z"
}
```



# Summary



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# Ease of use

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# Minimal dependencies

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# Extensibility

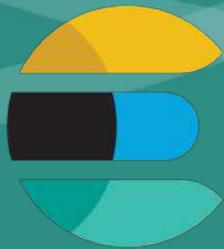
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# Flexibility

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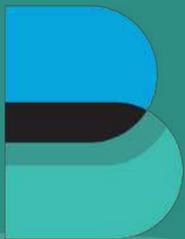


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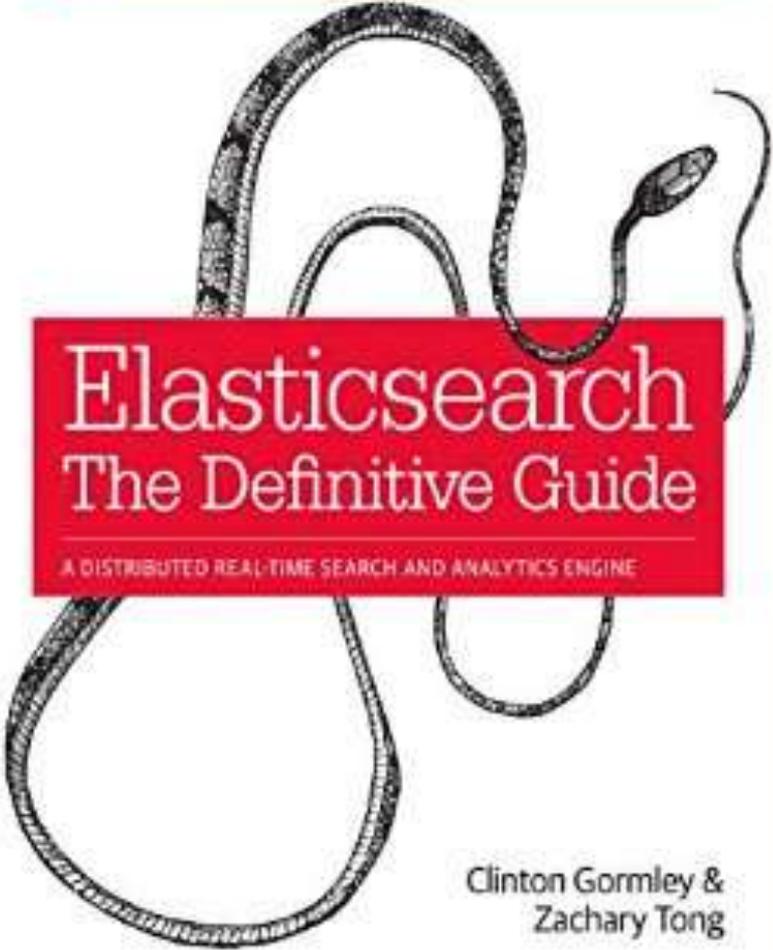
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