

ALMA Common Software Basic Track

Logging and Error Systems



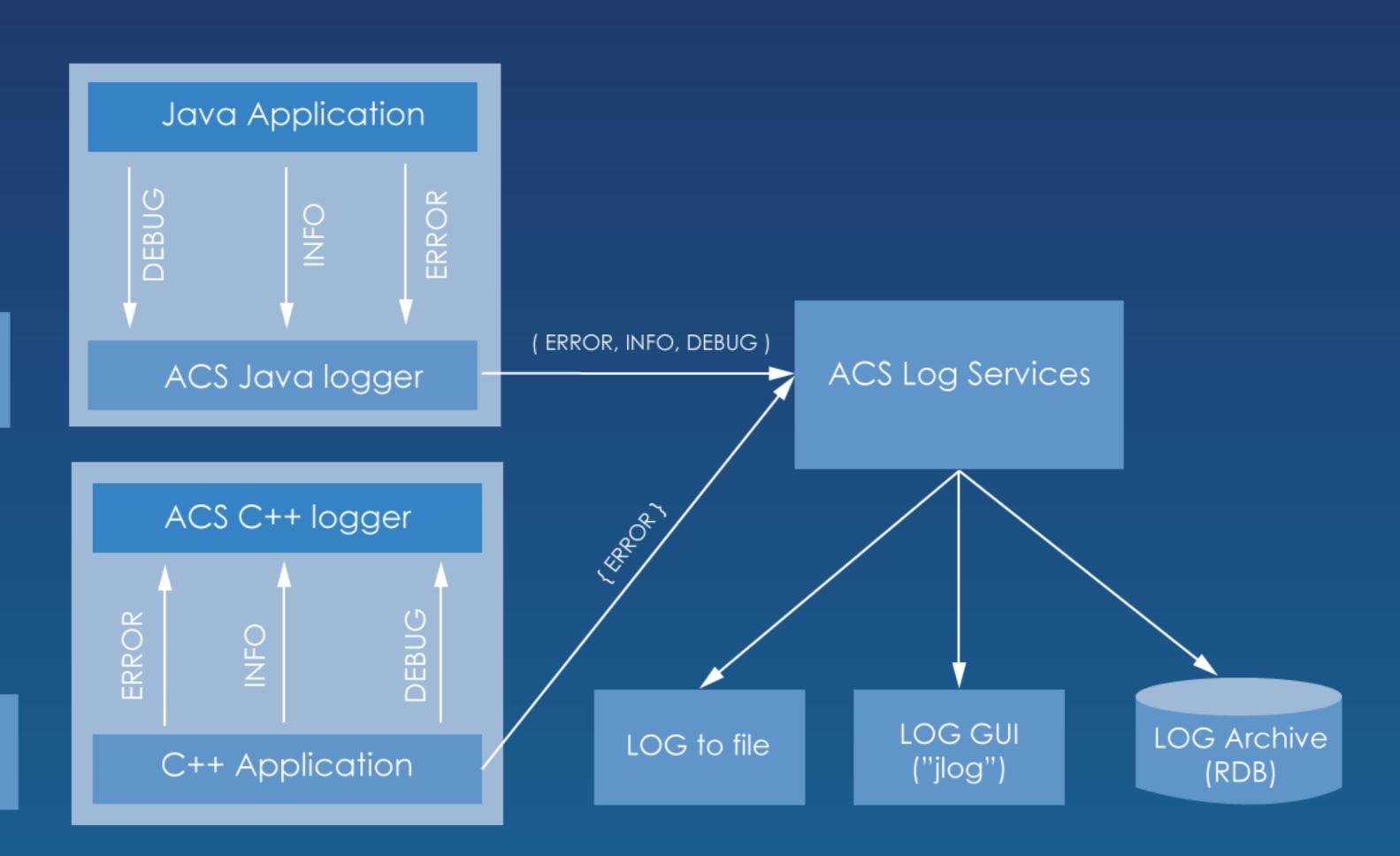
Logging system conceptual overview

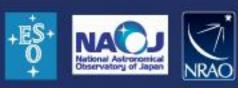




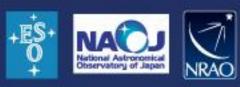
INFO ERROR

> DEBUG INFO ERROR





- ♦ The logging system provide
 - status and diagnostic information
 - ♦ historical archive
 - ♦ filtering capabilities by level/audience
- ♦ Several logging levels:
 - ♦ Trace (1), Delouse (2), Debug (3), Info (4), Notice (5), Warning (6), Error (8), Critical (9), Alert (10), Emergency (11), Off (99)
- ♦ Three logging audiences (orthogonal to log levels):
 - ♦ ENGINEER, OPERATOR, SCILOG
- ♦ They are essential for post-mortem analysis
- They are normally intended for developers and operators

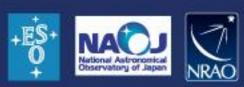


- ♦ Logging service:
 - ♦ Transport through a notification channel
 - Graphical user interface to visualize them in runtime or offline (jlog)
- ♦ For later processing can be:
 - ♦ written to file
 - ♦ stored in DB
- ♦ For high performance / robustness:
 - ♦ Transparent caching
 - ♦ Transfer asynchronously in batches
- ♦ Transparent insertion of additional data:
 - ♦ host / container names
 - ♦ thread name

Warning: Every logging client considerably slows down the logging system! Congestions can lead to a logging service crash



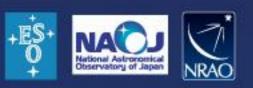
Repeat guards: preventing log flooding



- Conveniently reduce number of executions of identical activity

 - Can be used for other activities, is wrapped around activity
- ♦ Configurable based on:
 - ♦ Number of executions
 - ♦ Time interval
 - ♦ Combinations of both





```
TimeStamp="2002-10-7T13:44:16.530"
Host="tel.hq.eso.org"
Process="baciTestServer"
Thread="main"
Context=""
File="baciTestClassImpl.cpp"
Line="205"
Routine="BaciTestClass::~BaciTestClass
```



- ♦ Default configuration
 - ♦ log TRACE and above levels
- ♦ Optional environment variables can set per-process log levels
- CDB can set per-process log levels / per-logger level
- ♦ Tools to dynamically change log levels in running system
- ♦ Environment variables:
 - ♦ Log level for console: \$ACS LOG STDOUT
 - ♦ Central logging level: \$ACS LOG CENTRAL
 - ♦ Log file name: \$ACS LOG FILE



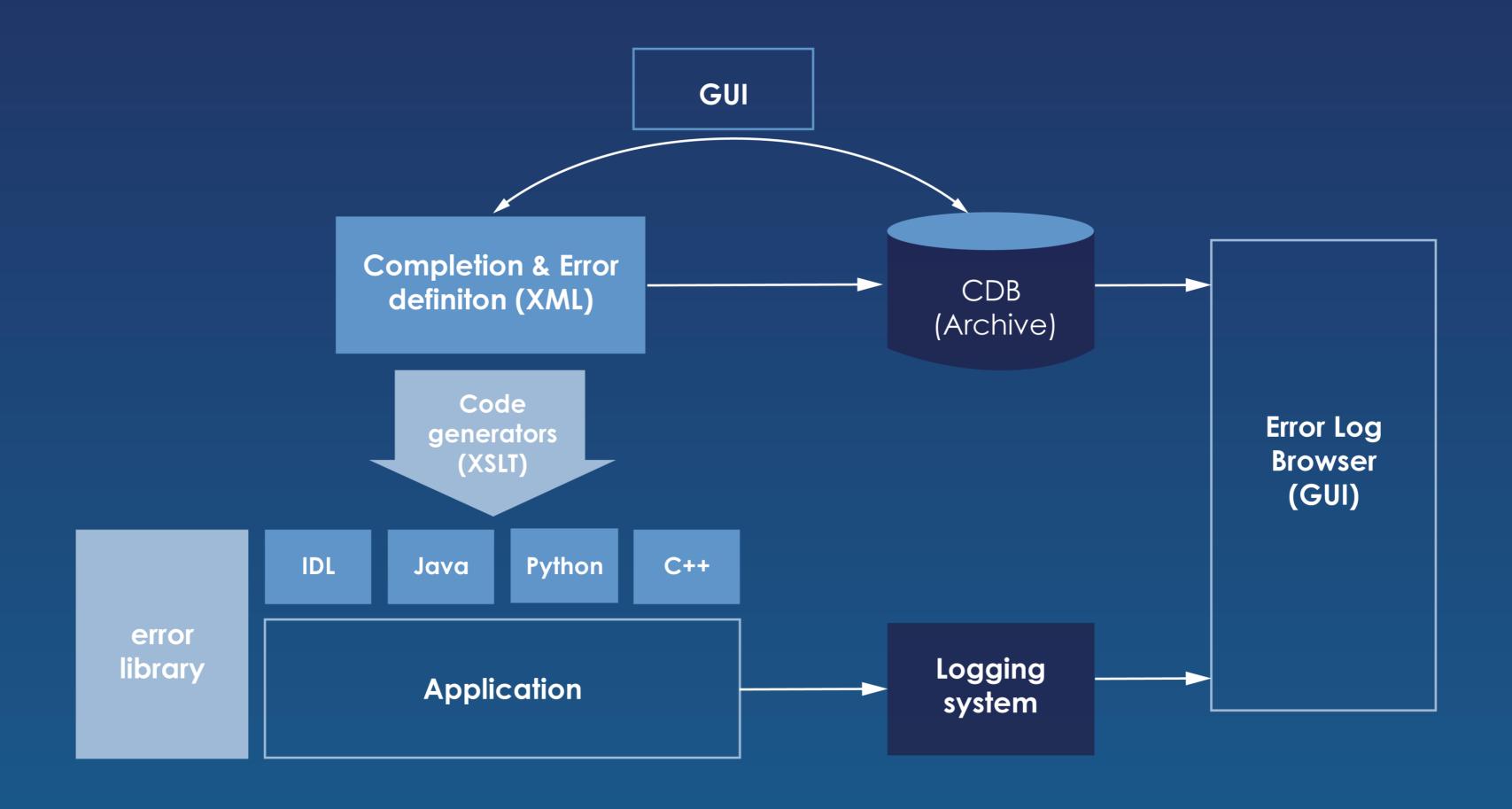


- ♦ ACS: faults or errors are a situation that requires handling
- ♦ Handled by developer
- ♦ Helpers (acserr.idl):
 - ♦ Completion
 - ♦ Not critically failed execution / execution OK
 - ♦ Errors
 - Critically failed execution
 - ACS (CORBA) exceptions predefined in XML (ACSErrTypeCommon.xml, ACSErrTypeCommon.idl)
- ♦ Error propagation → Error trace
 - Chaining of Completions
 - Chaining of errors / ACS exceptions
 - ♦ Possible across process boundaries



Error system conceptual overview

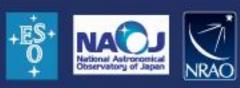




not yet available

not part of error





- Logging and Archiving:
 - ♦ http://www.eso.org/projects/alma/develop/acs/Onlin eDocs/Logging and Archiving.pdf
- ♦ Definitive guide to logs and errors
 - ♦ http://almasw.hq.eso.org/almasw/bin/view/HLA/Loggi
 ngErrorAlarmsGuidelines
- ♦ And of course, the source code



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