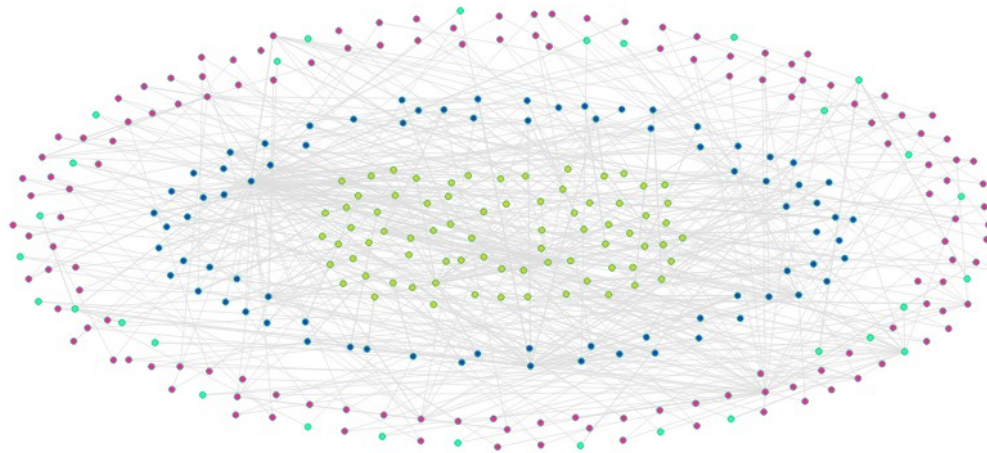


Real-time Visualization of Analyzed Industrial Communication Network Traffic

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Background

- Industrial Network Security aims to understand the traffic in industrial production systems
- Analysis of the traffic to find anomalies
- Real-time visualization to help the user understand
 - Communication behavior
 - Changes in the communication
- Incidents can be detected visually



Requirements

■ 24 Functional Requirements

- User access control, security roles
- Three different diagram types
- Brushing
- Data filter

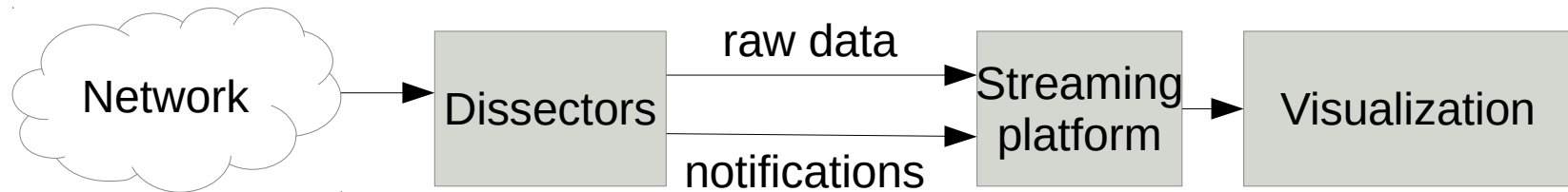
■ 12 Non-Functional Requirements

- extensibility



The Workflow

- Network traffic is recorded
- Traffic data is analyzed (dissected)
- Data is fed to a streaming platform (Kafka)
- A visualization tool displays data and analysis results



Architecture and Design

■ Client-Server Architecture

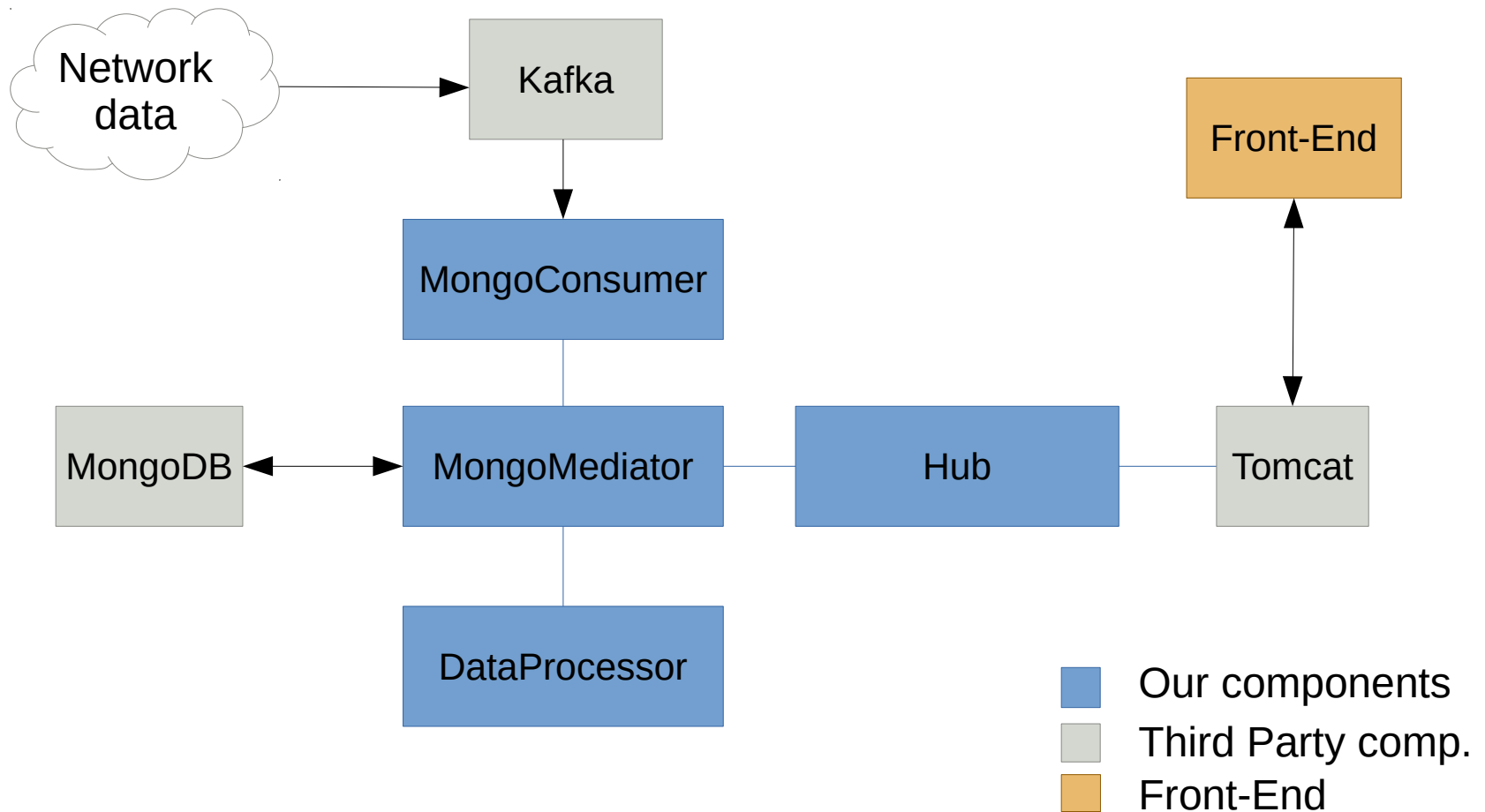
■ Front-End:

- Flux pattern
- Observer pattern

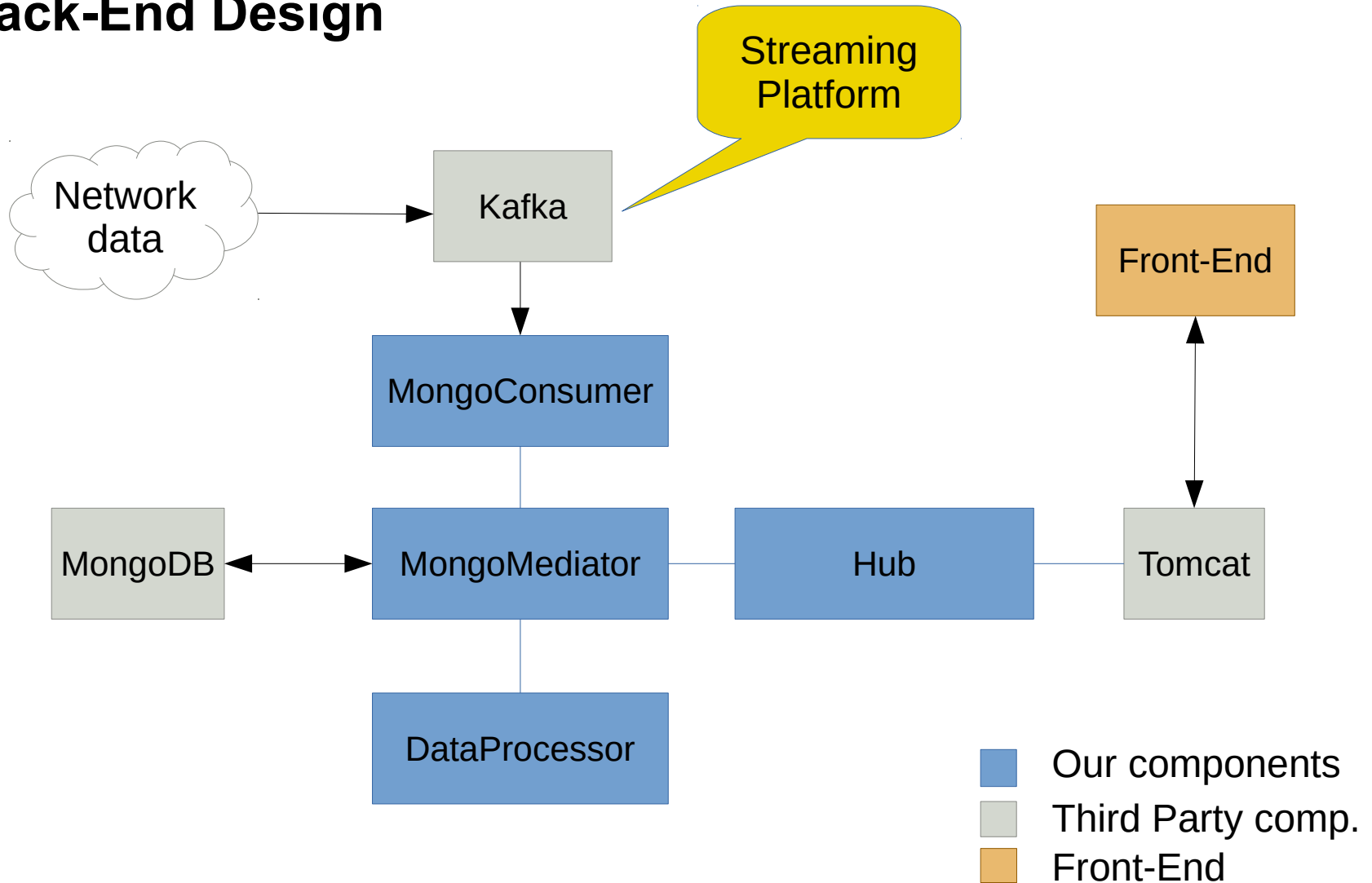
■ Back-End:

- Mediator pattern
- Strategy pattern

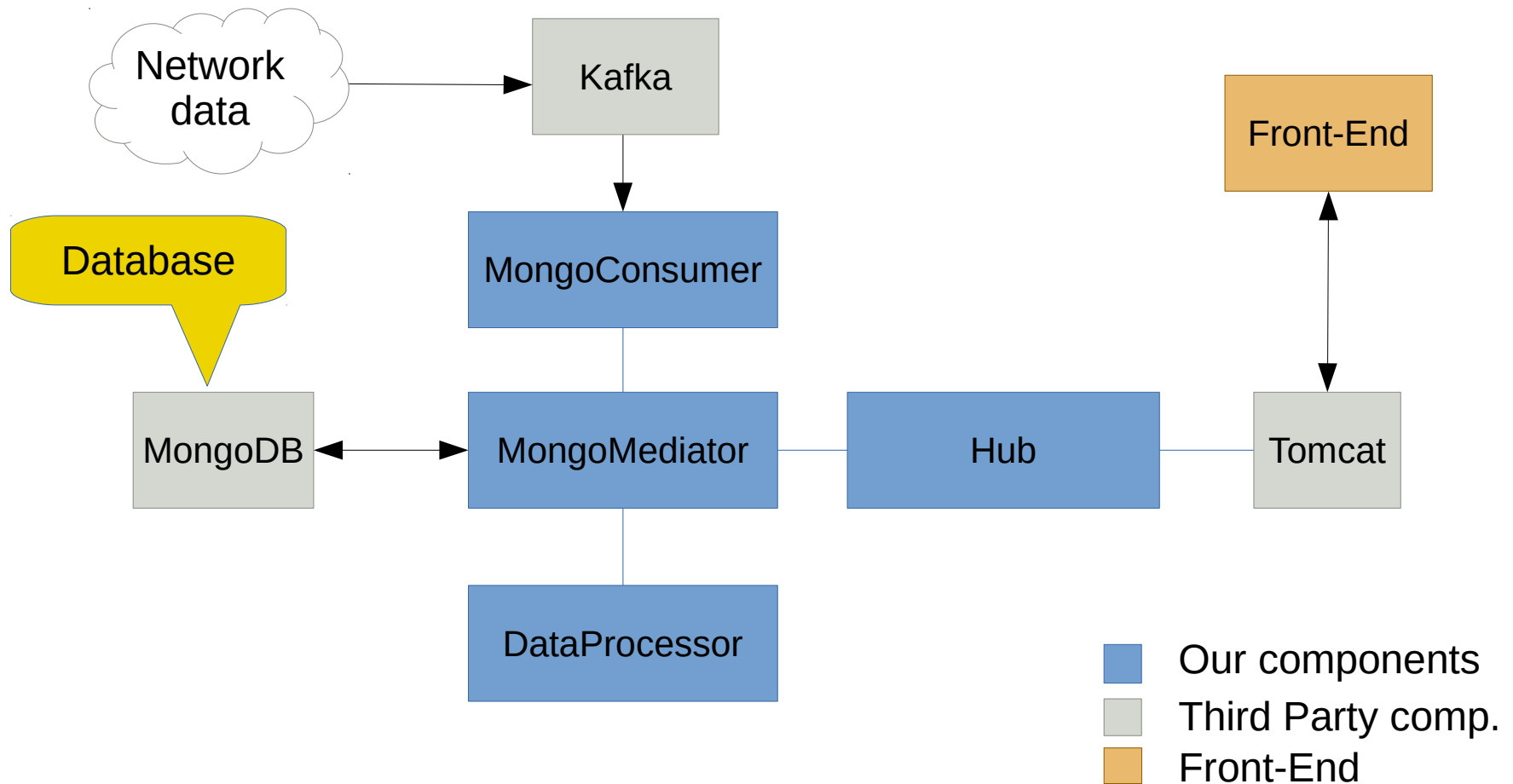
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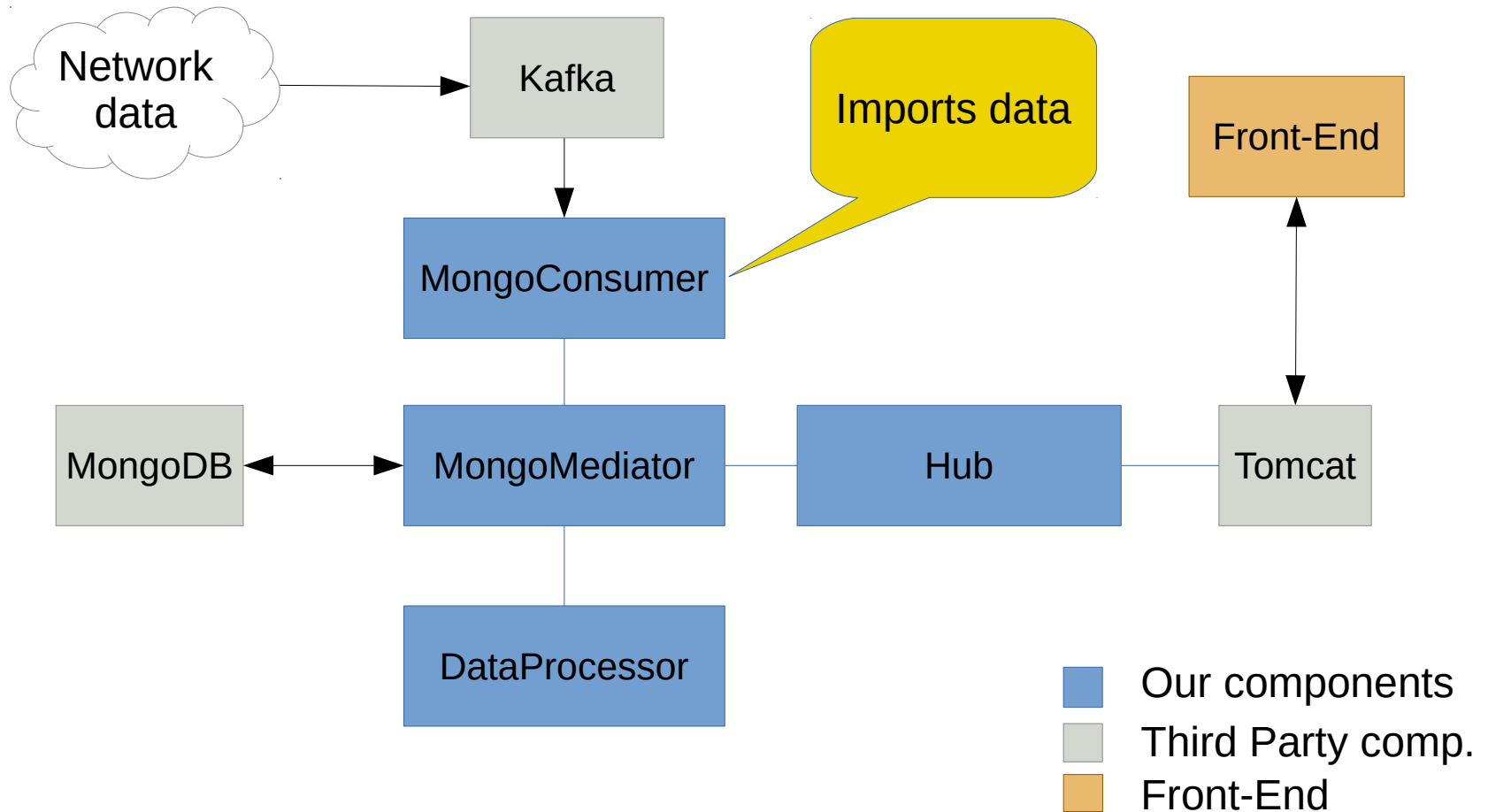
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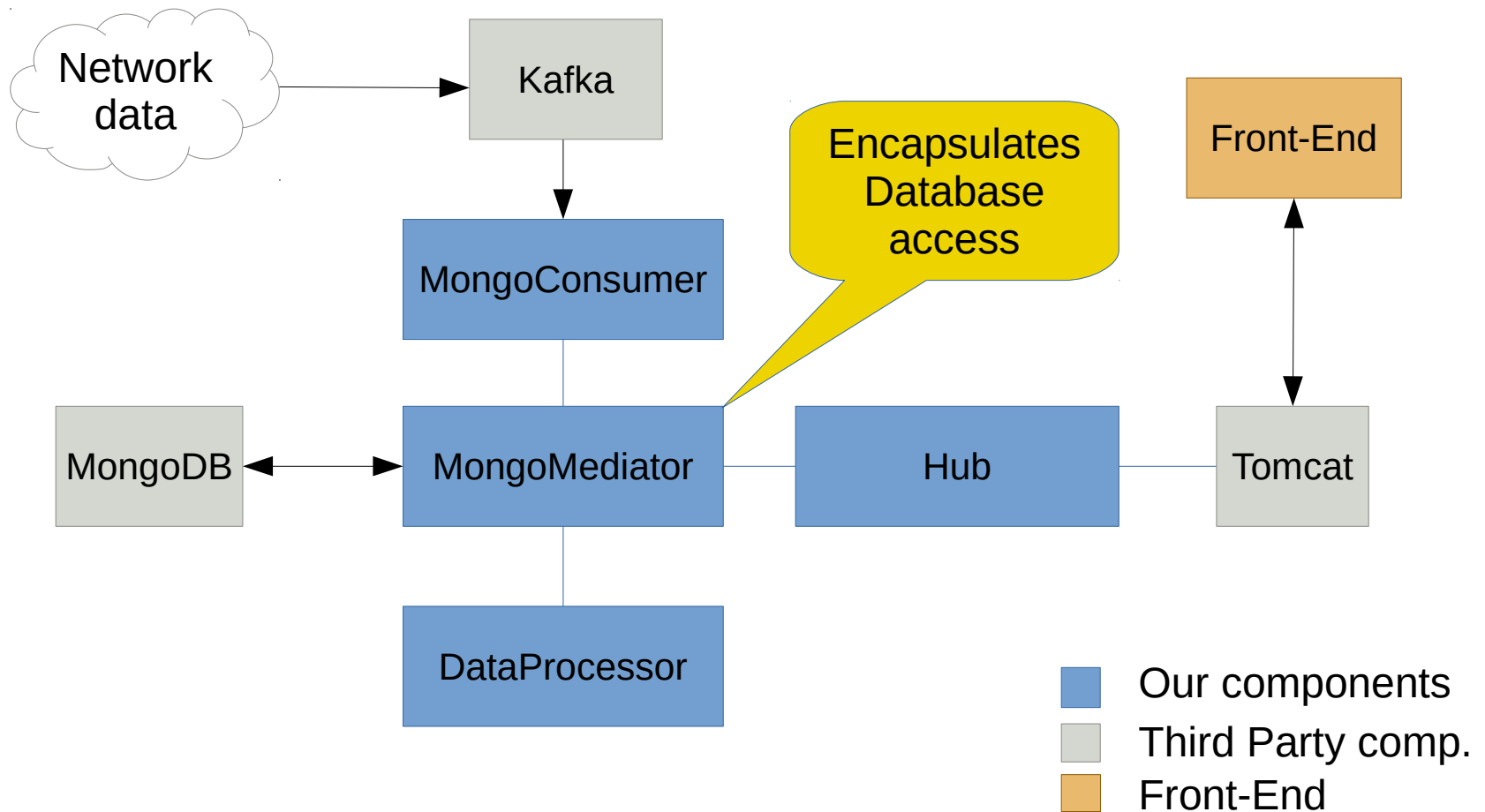
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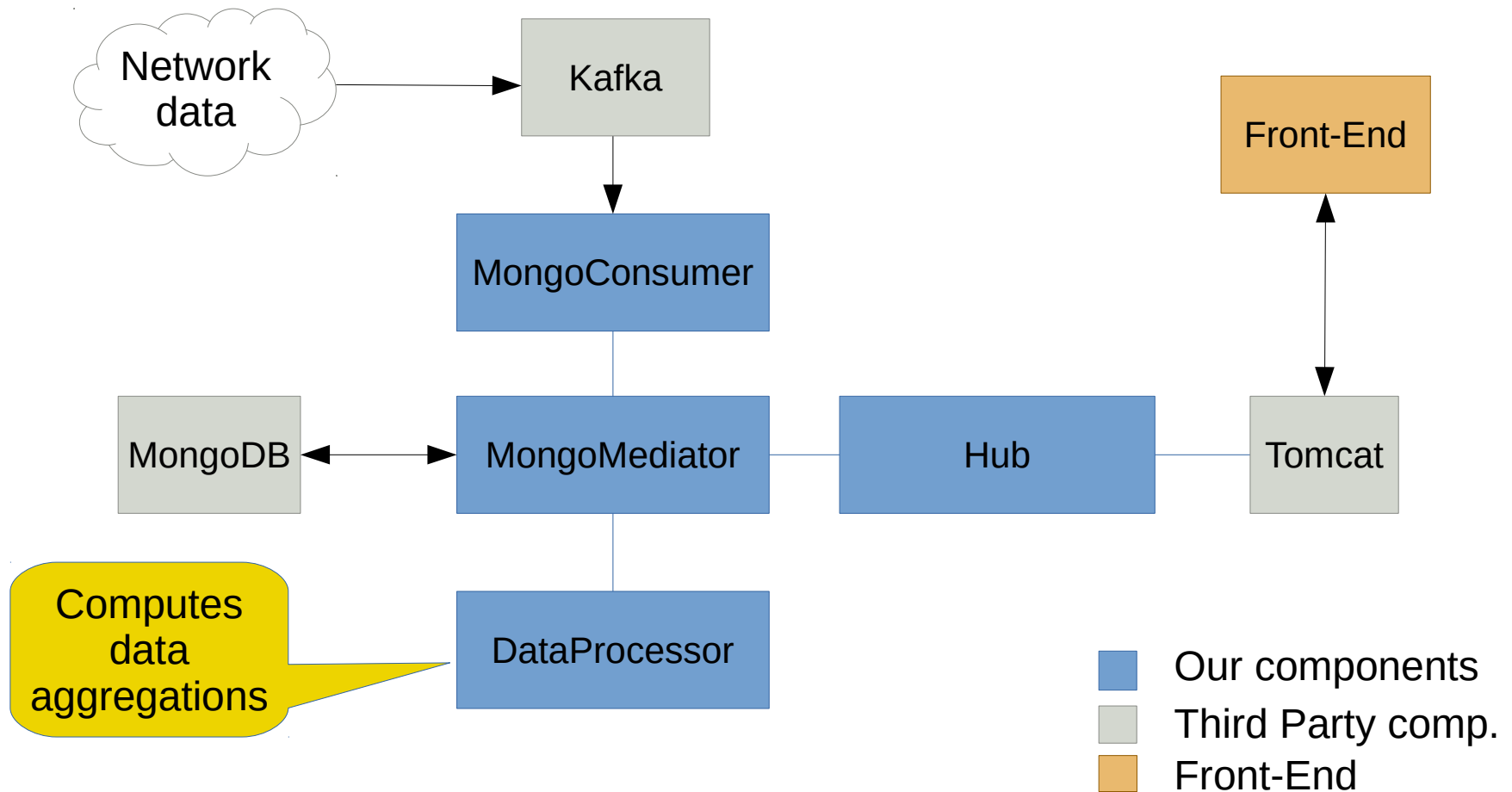
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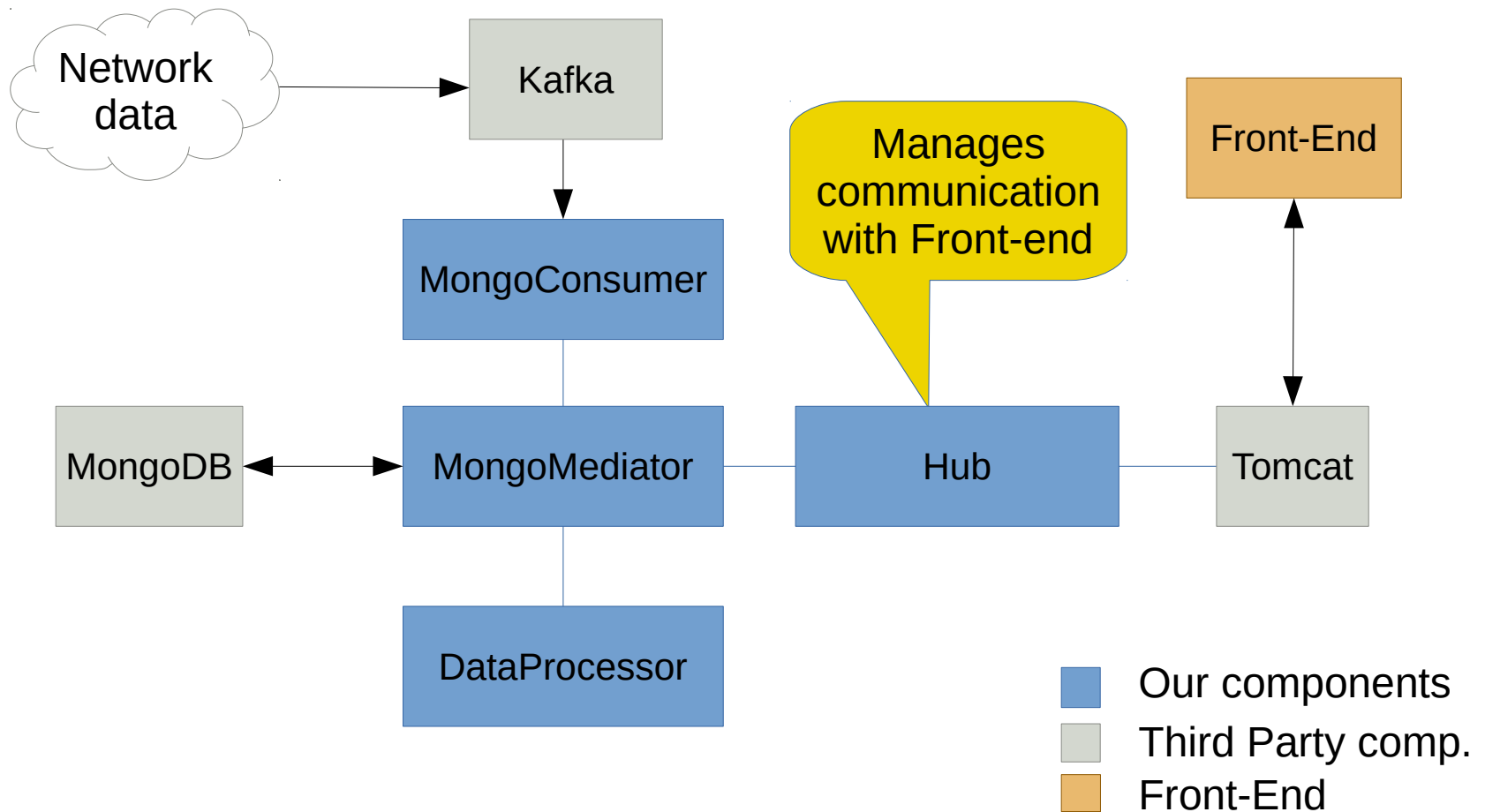
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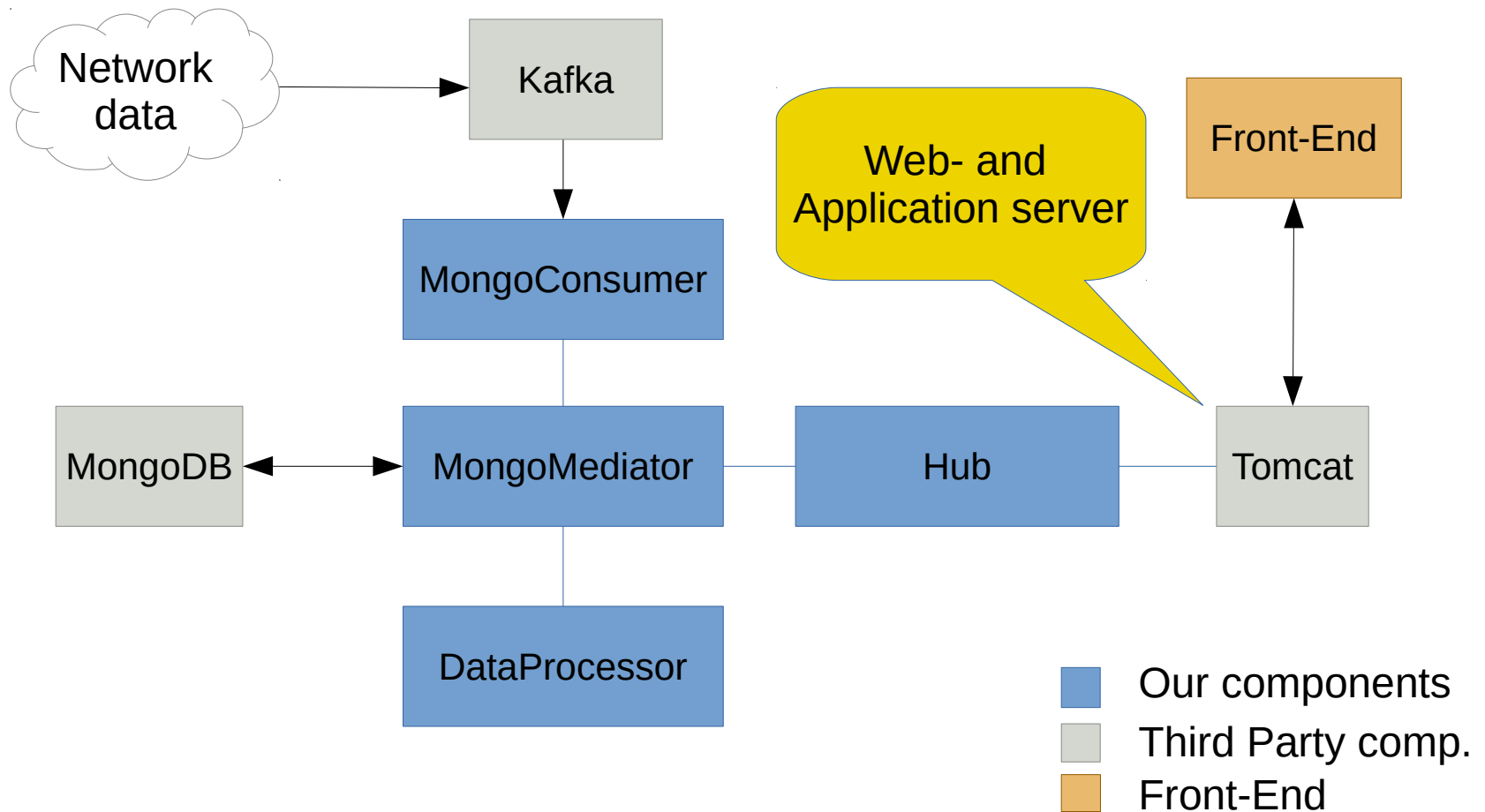
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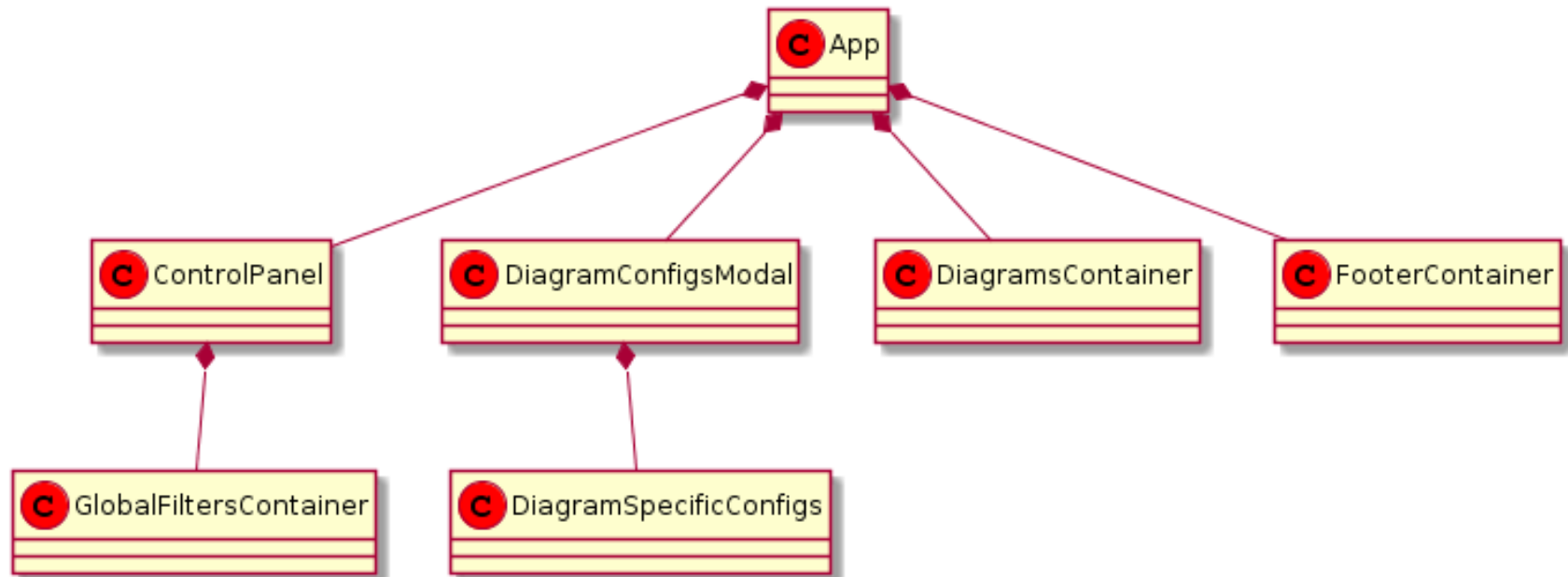


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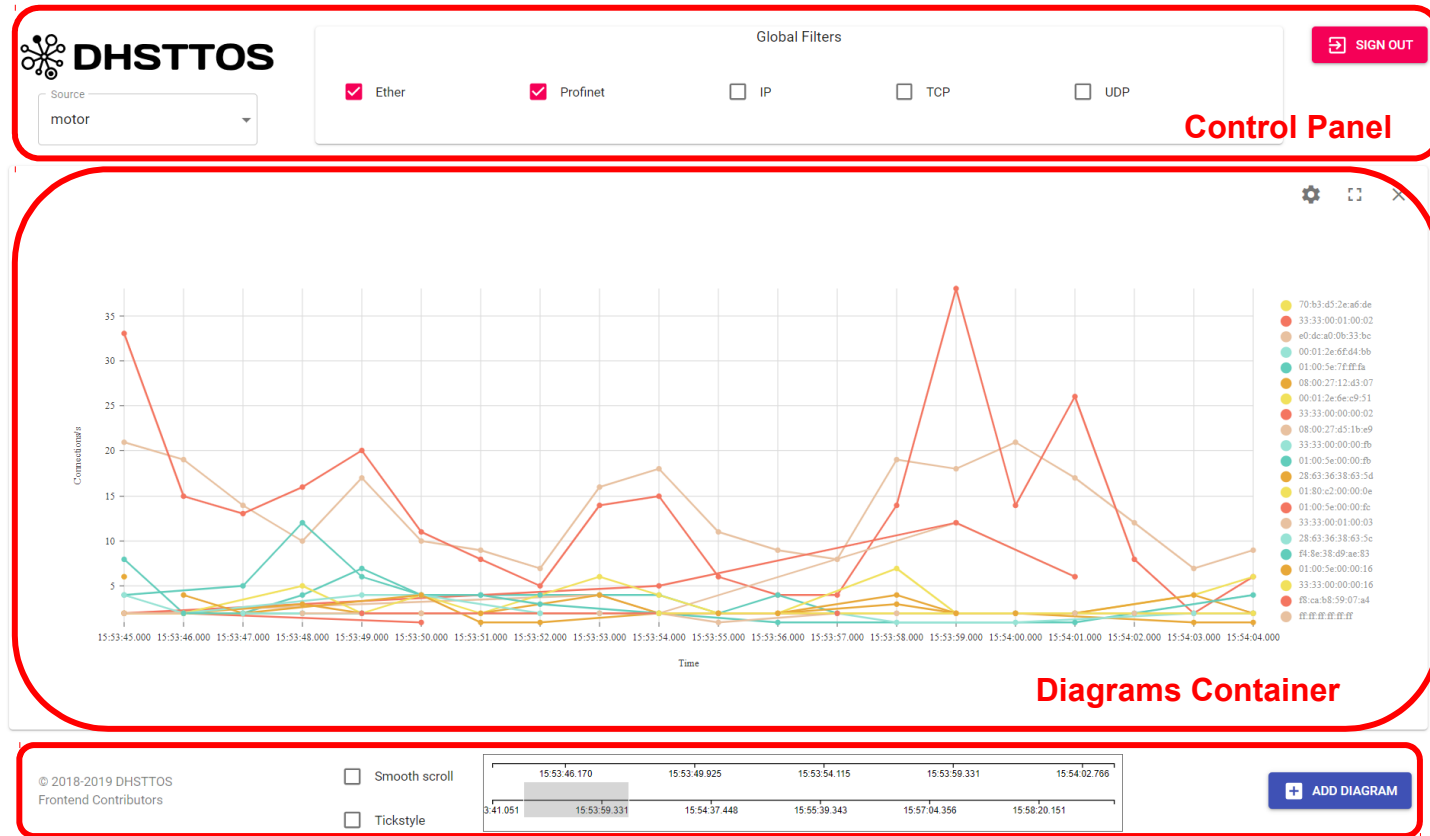


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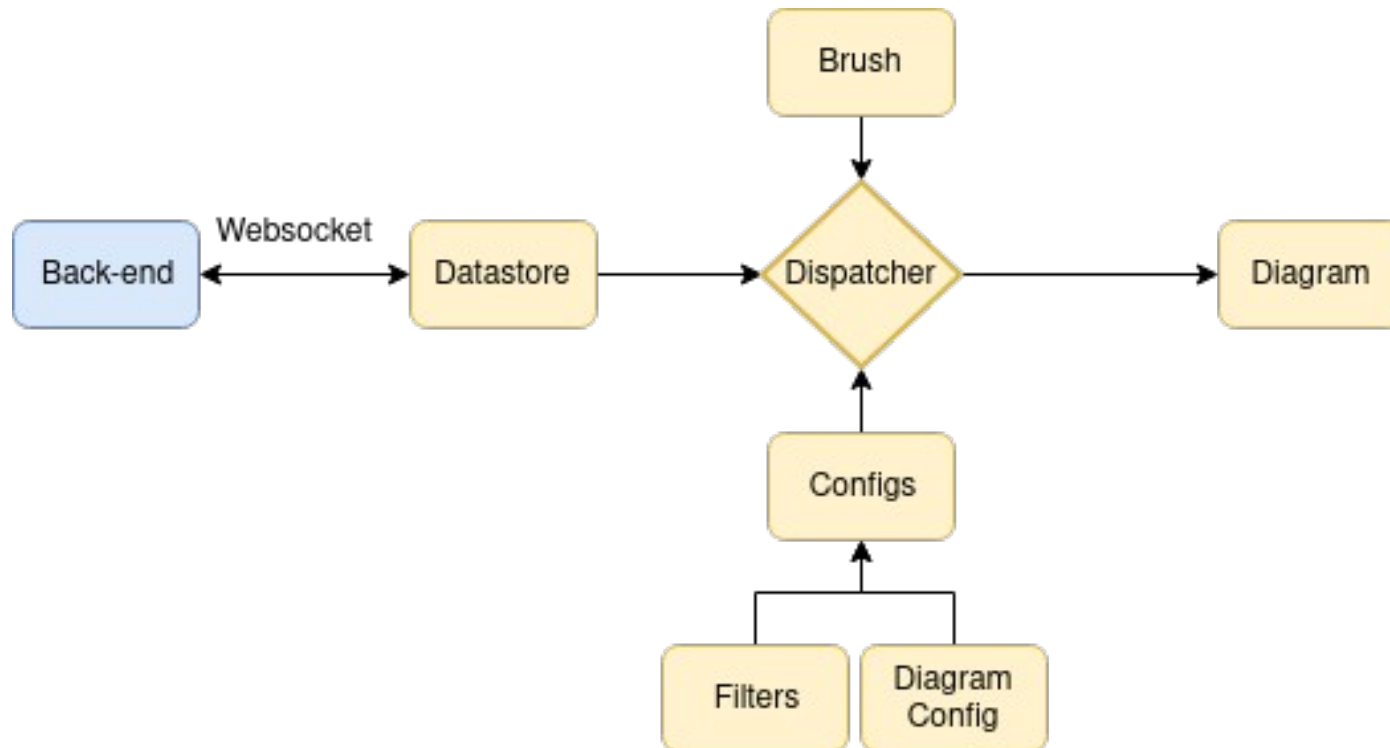
Overview of GUI Elements



Front-End Design



Front-End Data Flow



Front-End Components

- Written in Javascript
- Additional third party components (open source):

 React library

 D3 graphics library

 nivo diagram components

 MobX state management

Development Tools Used

■ Back-end development:

 eclipse Eclipse

 Maven

JUnit  Junit

■ Front-end development:

 Visual Studio Code

 Parcel.js

 Netlify (CD)

■ Common tools:

 Git

 GitHub

 Slack

L^AT_EX Latex

Implementation

- User access control
- Data source selection
- Multiple diagram types
- Brushing
- Modular structure
- 19 of 24 functional requirements
- Node-link diagram (partial)
- Filtering (partial)
- ✗ Data selection
- ✗ Display notifications

Unexpected Difficulties and Challenges

- Only four team members
- Larger Scope than expected
- Many different technologies
 - Javascript and the libraries make use of multiple programming paradigms
 - Complexity of D3
 - Nivo components have inconsistent features
 - MongoDB idiosyncracies



Lessons Learned

- Design more thoroughly
 - Especially data structures and protocols
- Plan and schedule more strictly
- Evaluate third party components more thoroughly
- Waterfall model didn't work.



Best Practices

- Overall design was viable
- Good commit practices
- Frequent team communication
- Flexibility
- Learning from each other



Conclusion

- We produced a working system
- Usable as a good and extensible base for future work
- Underestimated the amount of work required
- Gained experience with teamwork
- Gained understanding of technologies

