

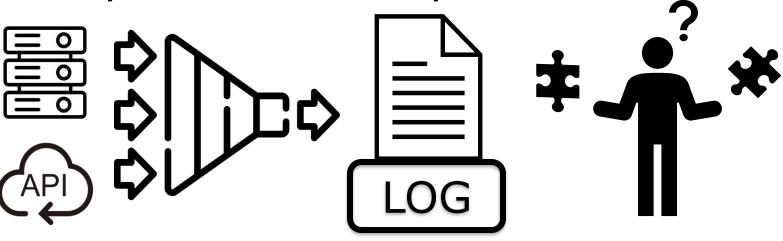
Log Anomaly Analytics Platform (LAAP): Structure, Pinpoint, Explain, Explore

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Motivation

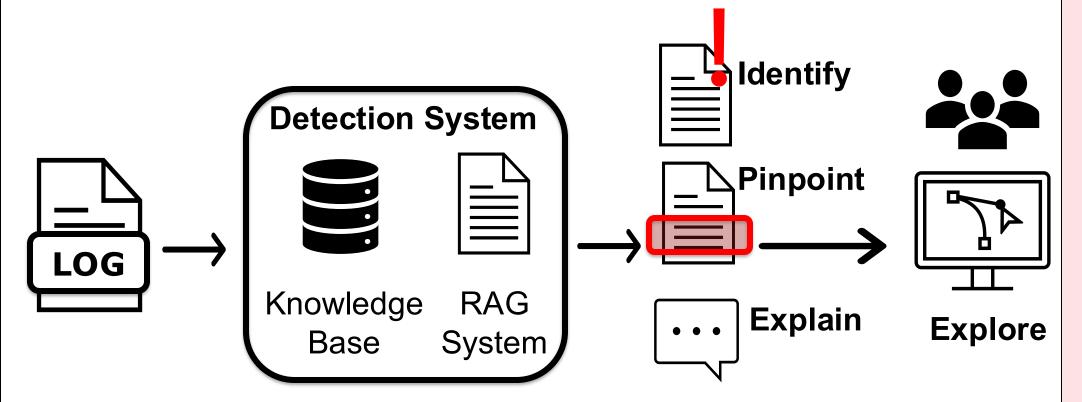
Log anomaly detection is vital for identifying critical system failures, such as data breaches, which cost organizations an average of \$4.9 million per incident [2].

Dense log files and system complexity make root cause analysis and anomaly detection challenging



Proposed Solution

Utilize an **LLM-based** detection system to identify, pinpoint, and explain log anomalies for an interactive log exploration platform.

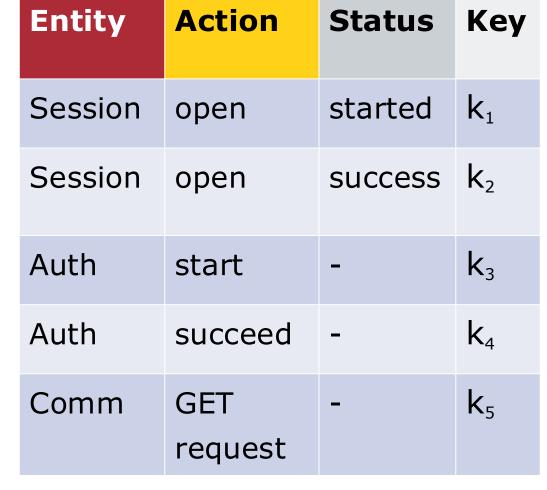


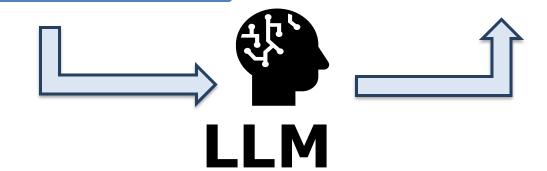
Structure Log Data

Extract clear hierarchical structure from flat logs

Flat Log File

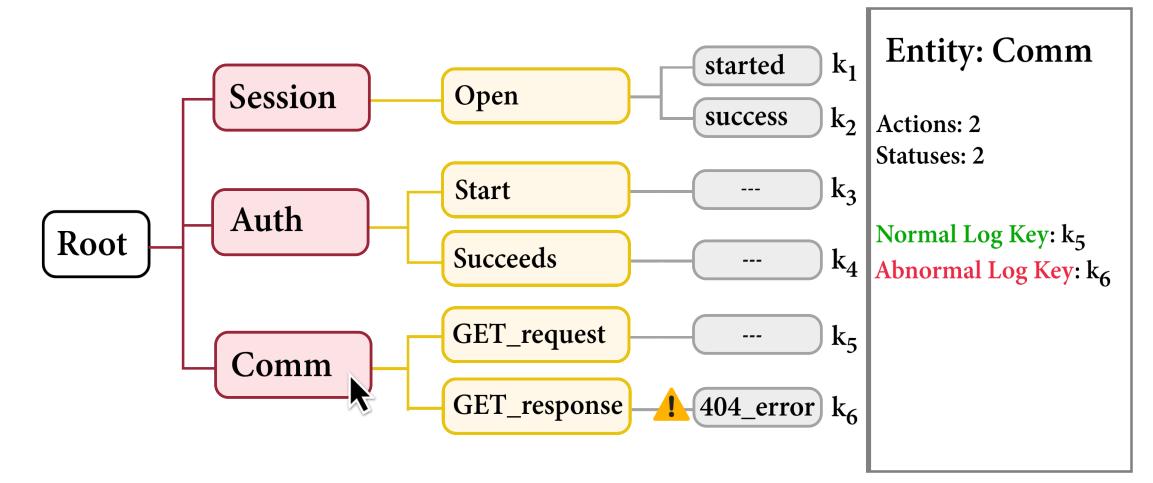
- Open session id=1243 started
- 2. Session opened successfully 3. Auth start pwd=*****
- 4. Auth succeeds
- 5. Comm: GET_request at
- URL="/api/v1/d3"
- 6. Comm: GET_response error
- 404 at URL="api/v1/d3"
- 7. Comm: POST_request at
- URL="/api/v1/f2/edit"
- 9586. Auth logout successful 9587. Session end id=1243





Pinpoint Underlying Hierarchy

Understand underlying structure in the log data to determine which templates are abnormal



Entity: a software component or resource

Action: an operation performed by or on the entity

Explain Log Anomalies

LLM uses archived sequences in the knowledge base

init

start

start

success

(exception) k₉

Anomaly

Explanation

Action: Close

Anomaly Type: Pattern

This sequence shows the file

closing before the "Open"

the expected sequence.

Log Sequence: [k11]

action, which deviates from

Search Sequence in

Knowledge Base

Anomaly Reason:

Statuses: 1

Status: the outcome or condition of the action

to explain **detected anomalies** in a sequence

Verification

Close

Open

Exit

1: an anomalous log template

Log

Sequence

Knowledge

Session

File

Session

Base

Root

Explore Sequence Patterns

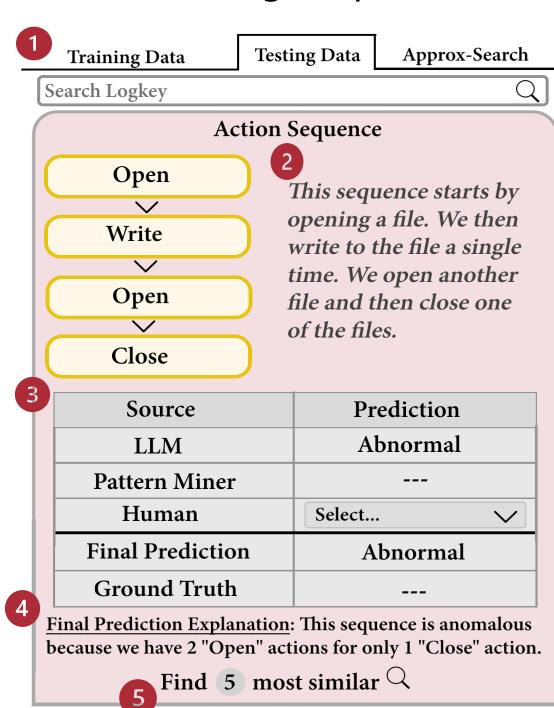
Query **similar log sequences** from the knowledge base with



Stores training and testing data

LLM explanations

- Anomaly Explanation
- Manipulation analytics
- Prediction explanation
- Similarity search



User Evaluation

Evaluated ease of use and user success in identifying anomalies through guided task-based testing



5 Users



7 Key Tasks

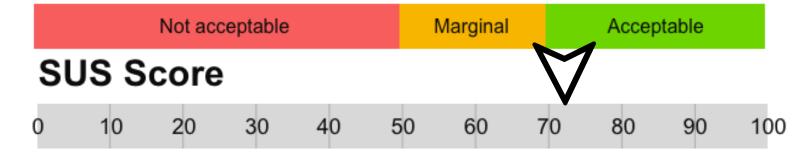


5m 8.6s Avq Completion



97% Avg Task Success

Acceptability



Impact Statement

Our technology provides **powerful** LLM-driven log analytics capabilities.

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QR code:

Demo website, citations, and testing setup

