

elasticsearch

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Why do we need search options?

We need it to make our lives easier

Find stuff that is relevant to us

Find it faster

How do we add search features to our projects?

Options available:

- Standard Database Query
- Lucene libraries
- Solr
- Sphinx
- Elasticsearch

elasticsearch



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Topics for today!

Full Text Searching

RESTful ES

Elasticsearch in Rails

Advanced features of ES

What is elasticsearch?

- Database server
- Implemented with RESTful HTTP/JSON
- Easily scalable (hence the name *elasticsearch*)
- Based on Lucene

Features of elasticsearch

- Schema-free
- Real-time
- Easy to extend with a plugin system for new functionality
- Automatic discovery of peers in a cluster
- Failover and replication
- Community support: Multiple clients available in various languages for easy integration
 - Tire gem- ruby client available for ActiveRecord integration

Terminology

Relational database

Elasticsearch

Database



Index

Table



Type

Row



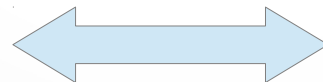
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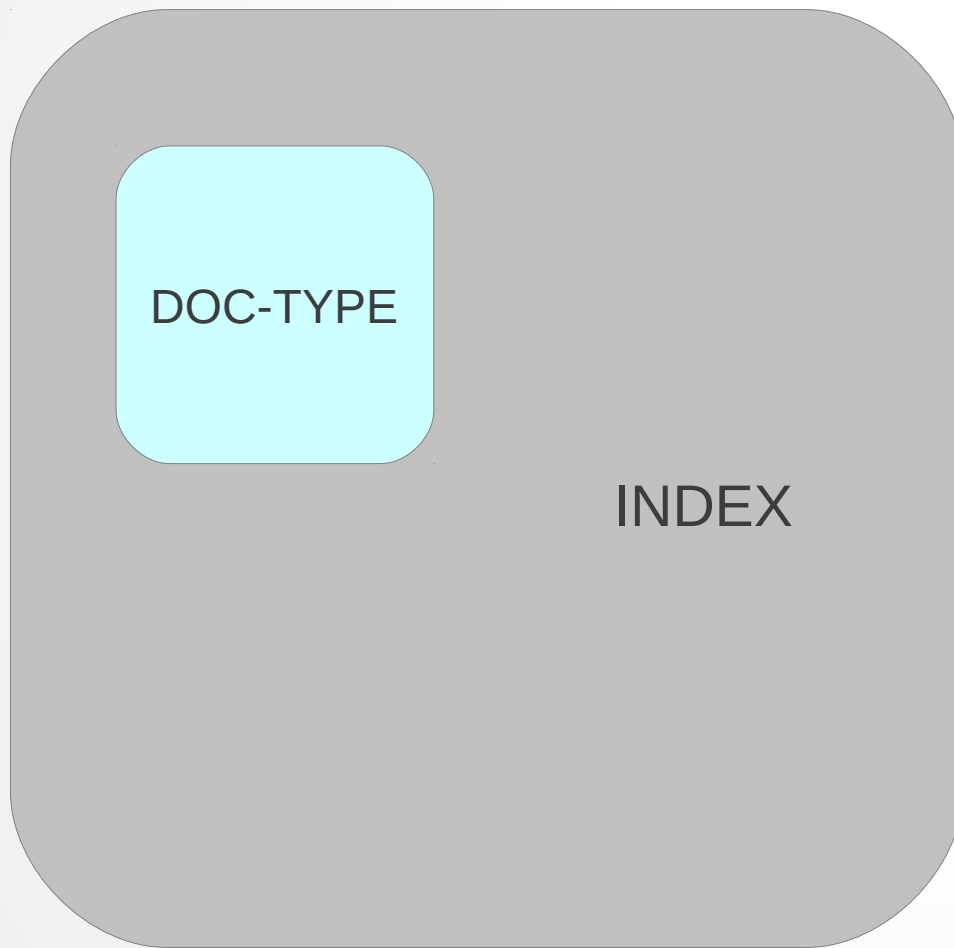
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Schema

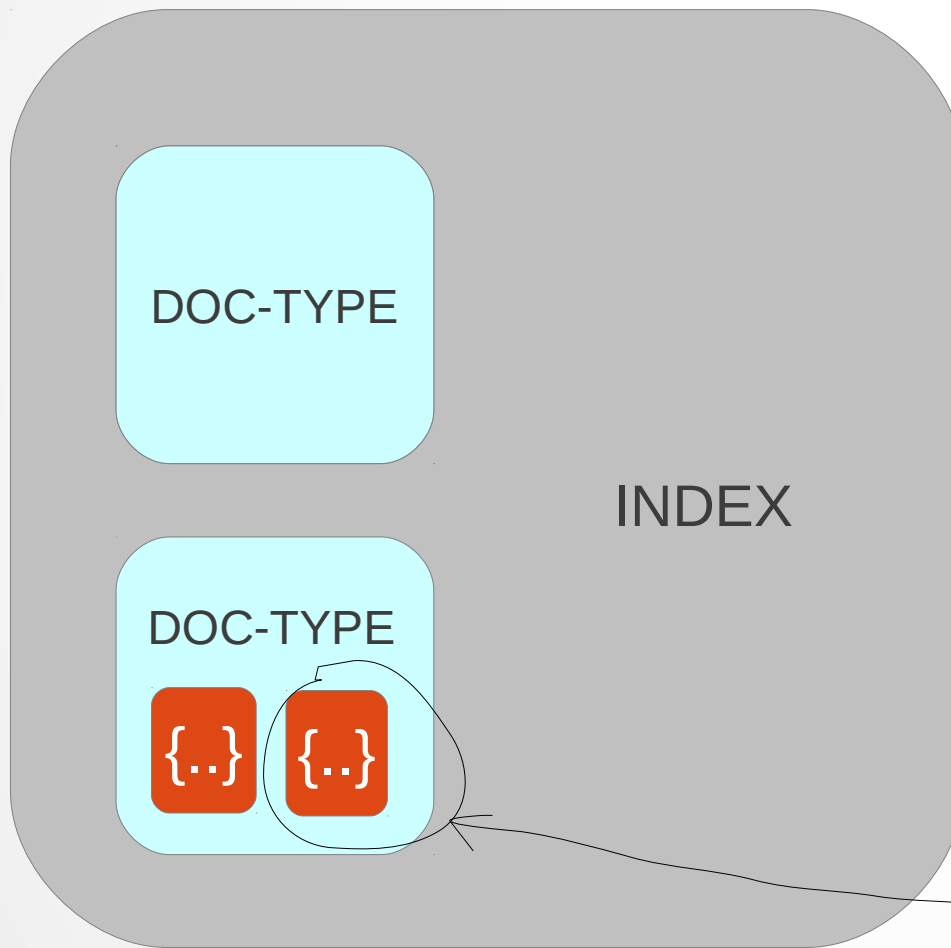


Mapping

Inside ES



Data Structure
of
Elasticsearch

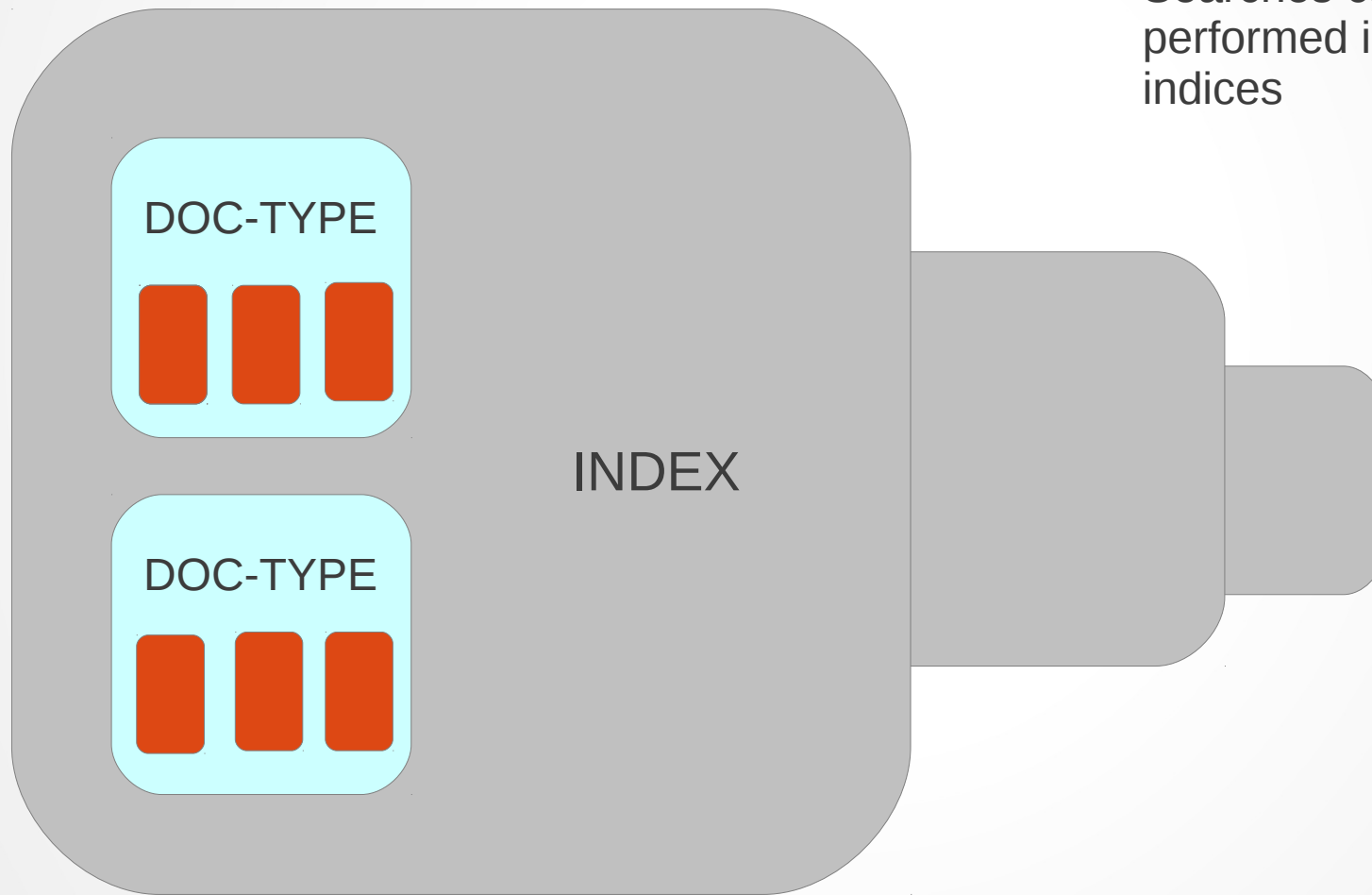


An Index can have **multiple types**.

Each type can have **multiple documents**.

Each document contains **data in JSON** format

Document



Searches can also be performed in multiple indices

How does elasticsearch work?

Full text searching



- Inverted indexing
 - Analysis

FULL TEXT SEARCH

stars shine
sky

[0]

stars stars
sky

[1]

cloudy
sky

[2]

FULL TEXT SEARCH

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cloudy
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WORD	LOCATION
stars	0,1
shine	0
sky	0,1,2
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Are these
positions in
the
document
are
consecutive
?

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We find the words in consecutive positions in Document 1

ANALYSIS

Analyzing is extracting “terms” from given text.
Processing natural language to make it
computer searchable.

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Stopwords:-removal of words of less semantic significance

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Lowercase and punctuation marks

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Stemmer:-Deriving root of words

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ES Analyzer

- **Analyzer:**

Consists of one tokenizer and multiple token filters
eg: Whitespace, Snowball, etc

- **Tokenizer:**

It tokenizes all words. Splits sentences into individual 'terms'. Ngram and EdgeNgram highly useful for autocomplete feature. Path hierarchy tokenizers.

- **Token filter:**

Actions on tokenized words, basic lowercase to phonetic filters and stemmers (available in many languages)

Popular Analyzers

ES is easy to use. Readymade analyzers for general usage.

- Snowball – excellent for natural language

Standard tokenizer, with standard filter, lowercase filter, stop filter, and **snowball filter**

- Some fancy analyzers: **Pattern analyzers**

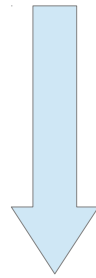
For all the Regular expressions guys out there!

```
"type": "pattern",
```

```
"pattern": "\\s+"
```

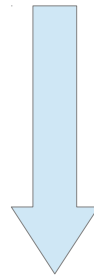
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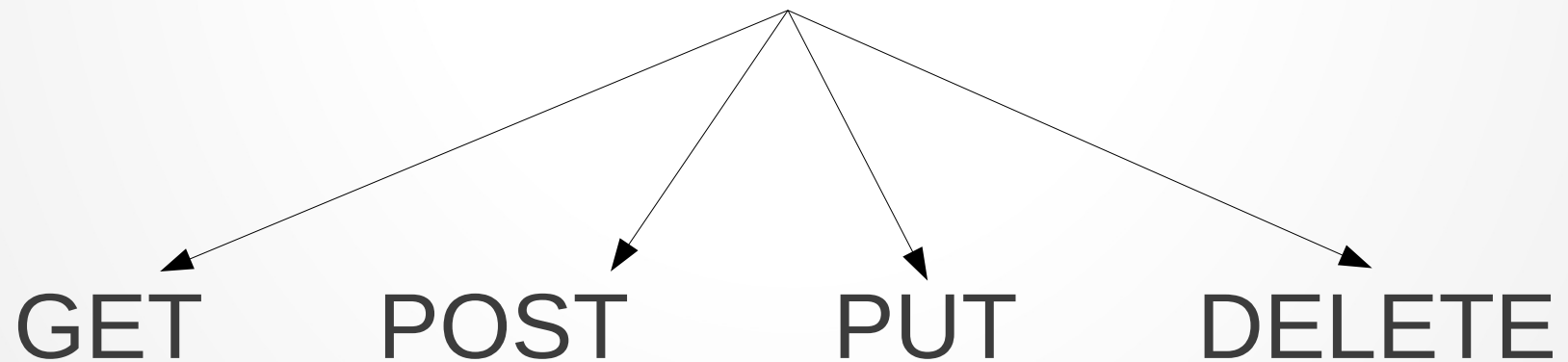


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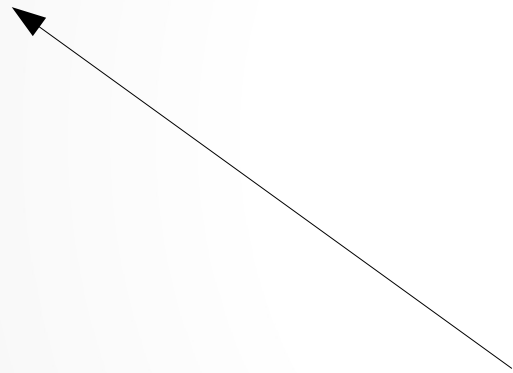
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Its RESTful



PUT /index/type/id



action?

PUT /index/type/id

where?



PUT /twitter_development/type/id

PUT /twitter_development/**type**/id

what?



PUT /twitter_development/tweet/id

PUT /twitter_development/tweet/**id**

which?



PUT /twitter_development/tweet/1

```
curl -XPUT 'localhost:9200/twitter_development/tweet/1' -d
'{
  "tweet" : " Elasticsearch is cool! ",
  "name" : "Mr Developer"
}'
```

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  "name" : "Mr Developer"  
}
```



```
{  
  "_index": "twitter_development",  
  "_type": "tweet",  
  "_id": "1",  
  "_version": 1,  
  "ok": true  
}
```

Similarly,

```
curl -XGET 'http://localhost:9200/twitter/tweet/1'
```

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curl -XGET 'http://localhost:9200/twitter/tweet/1'
```

```
{
  "_index" : "twitter",
  "_type" : "tweet",
  "_id" : "1",
  "_source" : {
    "tweet" : " Elasticsearch is cool! ",
    "name" : "Mr Developer"
  }
}
```


Also

GET /index/_search

Search all types
(columns)

GET /index1,index2/_search

GET /ind*/_search

GET /index/type/_search

Search multiple or
all indices
(databases)

GET /index/type1,type2/_search

GET /index/type*/_search

GET /_all/type*/_search

Similarly,

DELETE

Delete document

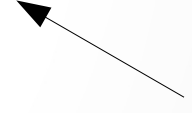
```
curl -XDELETE 'http://localhost:9200/twitter/tweet/1'
```



```
curl -XDELETE 'http://localhost:9200/twitter/'
```

Delete index

```
curl -XDELETE 'http://localhost:9200/twitter/tweet/_query'-d  
{  
  "term" : { "name" : "developer" }  
}
```



Elasticsearch in Rails

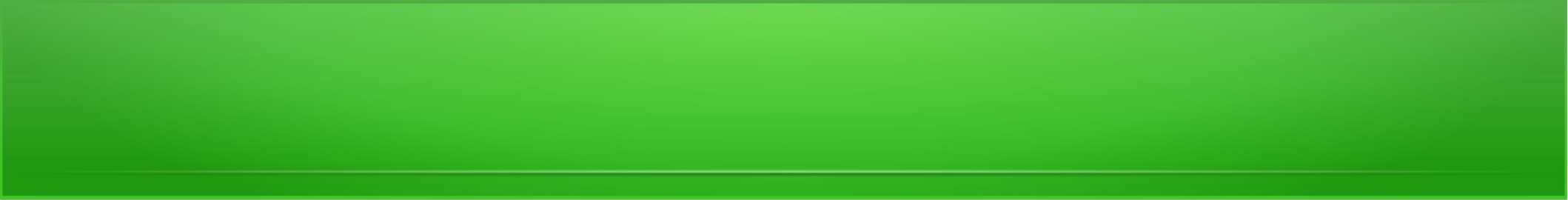
ES in your RAILS app

1. Install ES from website. Start service.
2. In your browser check '<http://localhost:9200>' for confirmation.
3. Add '[tire](#)' to Gemfile.
4. In your model file (say 'chwink.rb') add-

```
include Tire::Model::Search  
include Tire::Model::Callbacks
```
5. Run `rake environment tire:import CLASS=Chwink`
6. In rails console type
`Chwink.search("world")` or `Chwink.tire.search("world")`
7. Results!

Request for Model.search

```
curl -XGET  
'http://localhost:9200/chwink_development/chwink/_search?  
-d  
{  
  "query": {  
    "query_string": {  
      "query": "world"  
    }  
  }  
}
```



Autocomplete feature implementation and Some examples of readymade and custom analyzers

Querying

More types of queries and use cases:

- Faceting : Allowing multiple filters
- Pagination : Limiting per page results
- Sort : Sorting results by relevance and scoring
(using Elasticsearch's scoring algorithm)

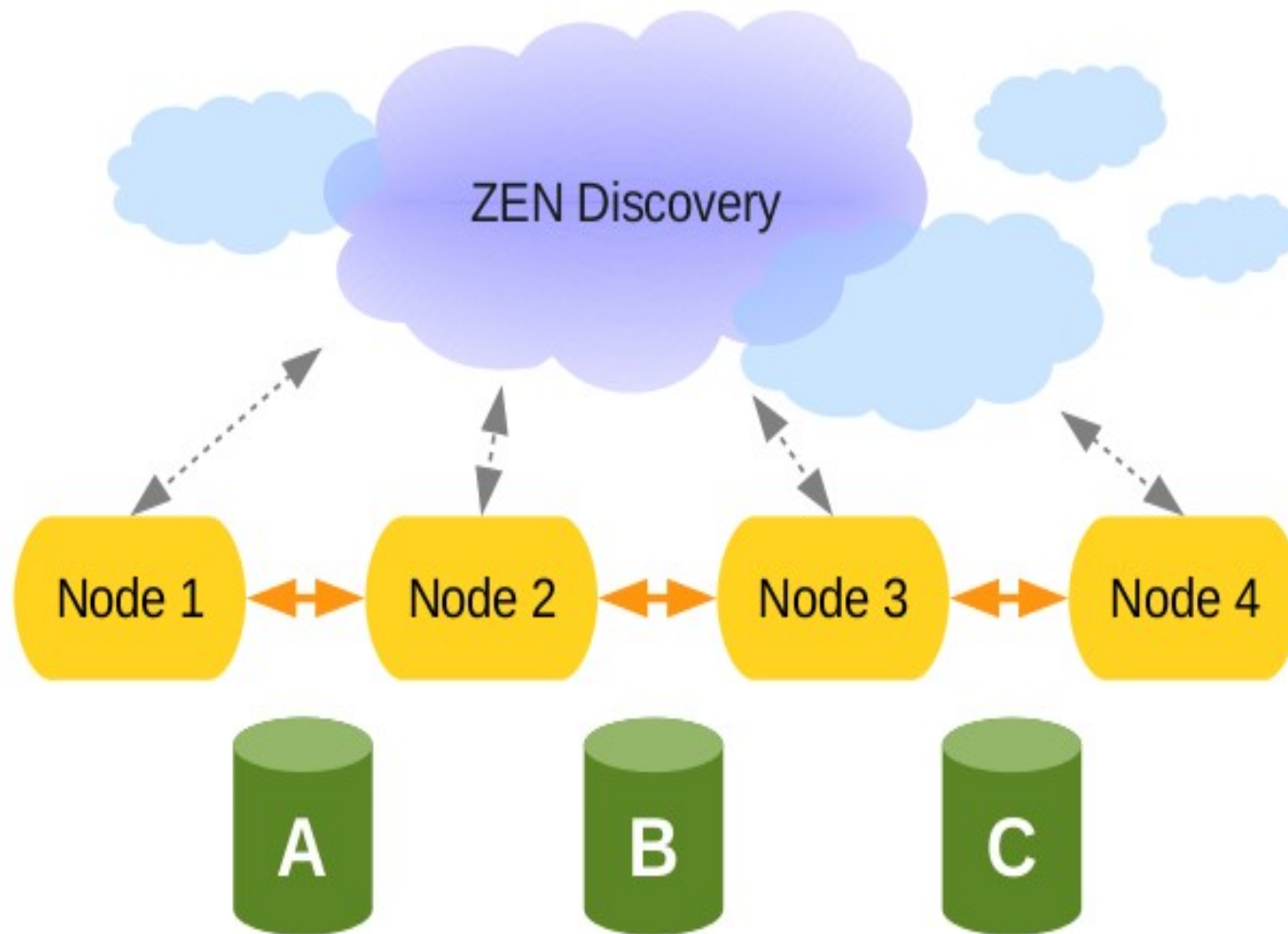
Advanced features of Elasticsearch

USP of Elasticsearch



BIG! Data Analysis in Real Time

Automatic **discovery** of peers in a cluster
Failover and **replication**



A: { shards: 3, replicas: 2 }

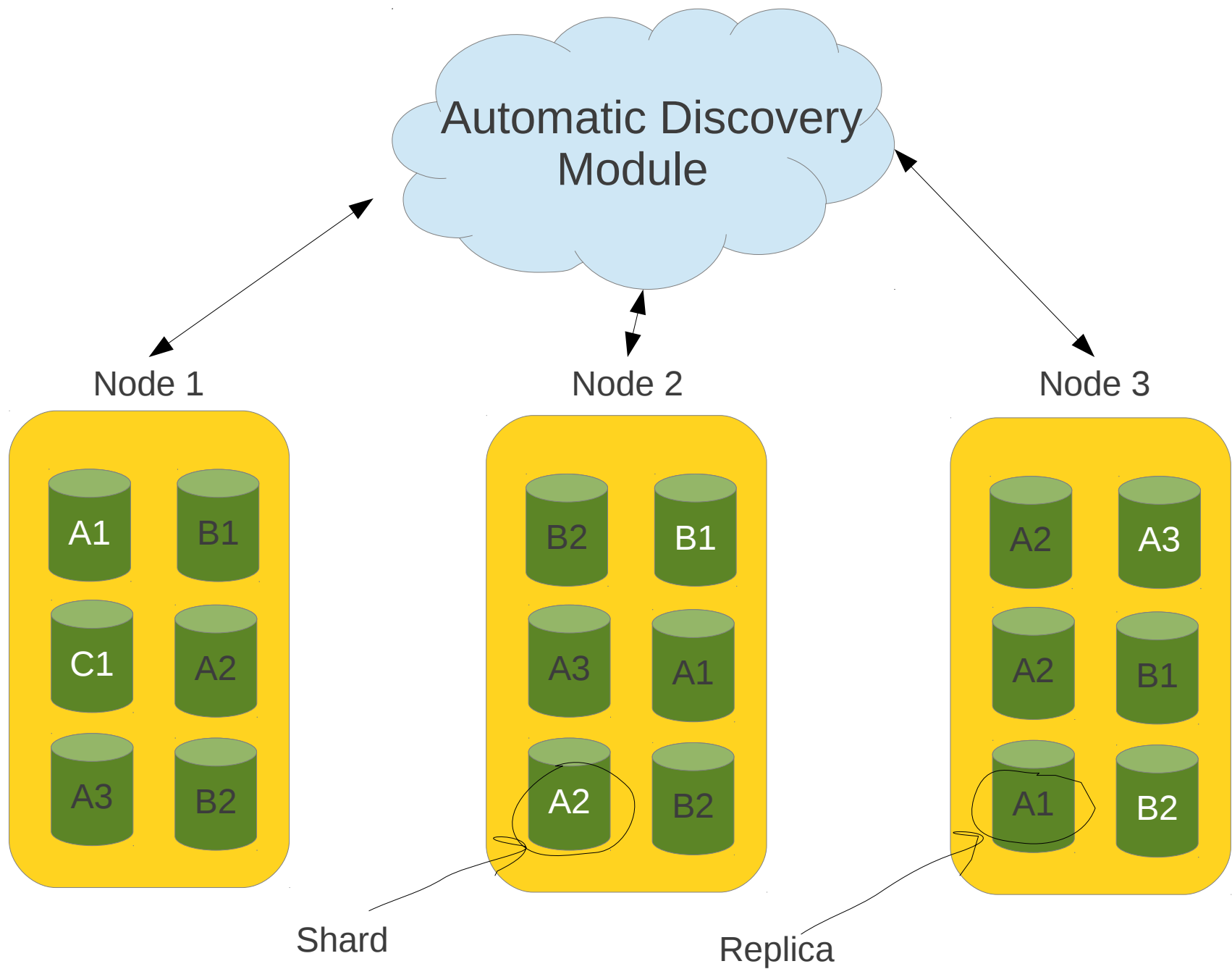


B: { shards: 2, replicas: 3 }

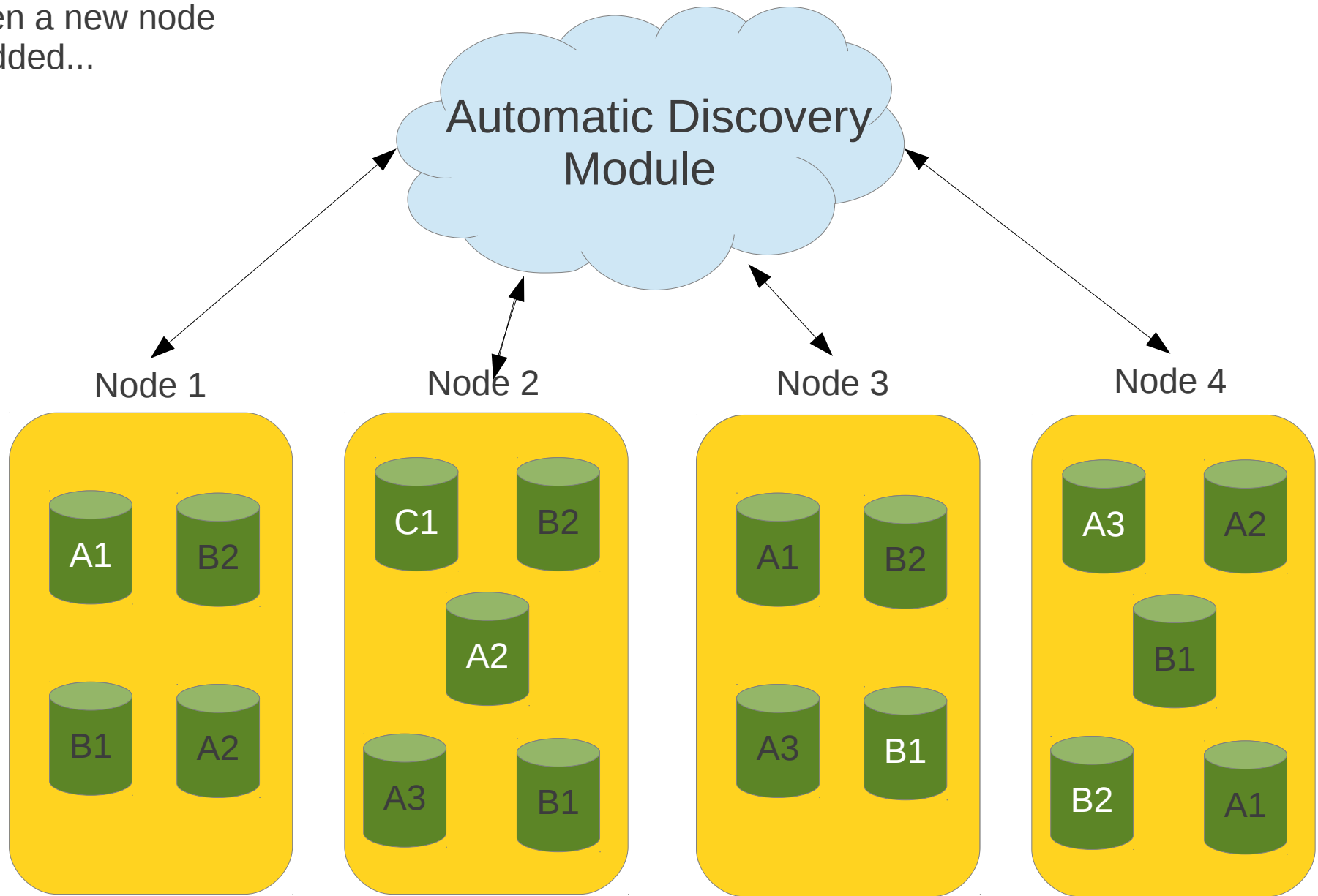


C: { shards: 1, replicas: 0 }





When a new node
is added...



High Availability

For each index you can specify:

- Number of **shards**
 - Each index has fixed number of shards
 - Shards improve indexing performance
- Number of **replicas**
 - Each shard can have 0-many replicas, can be changed dynamically
 - Replicas improve search performance

Tips

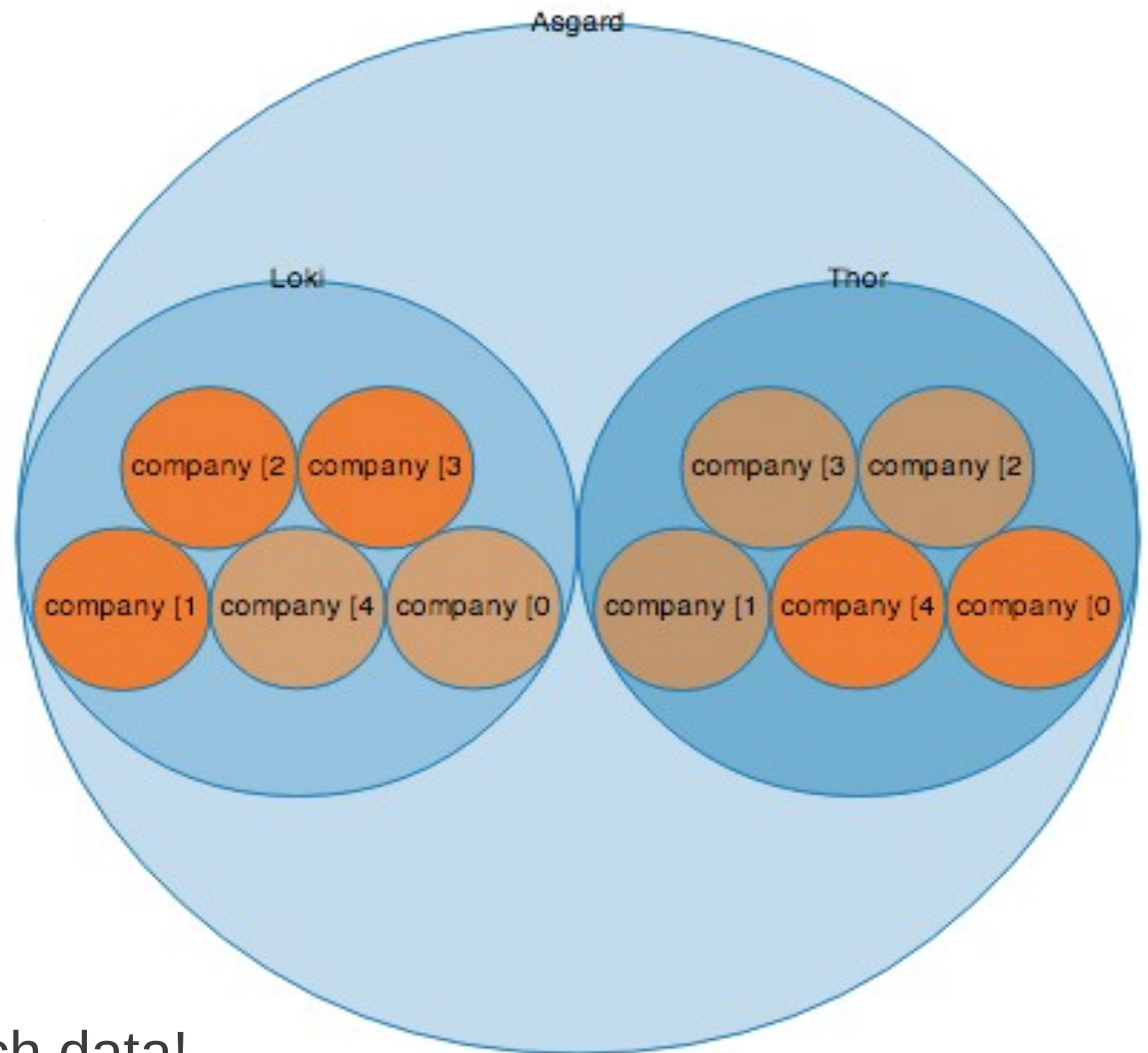
- Make sure you make separate indices for test and development environment
Eg: Add `index_name "Chwink_#{Rails.env}"` to your model file
- During tests whenever you save an object make sure you add : `Chwink.tire.index.refresh` after each test case.
- Make sure you delete and recreate the index after tests.
Eg: You can add this to your `Rspec configuration` file

```
config.after(:each) do
  Chwink.tire.Chwink_test.delete
  Chwink.tire.create_elasticsearch_index
end
```
- Debug using log files :
Add to Tire config file: `logger "tire_#{Rails.env}.log"`

Room for exploration...

Plugins!

Big Desk plugin!



Plug-in for analysis of your search data!

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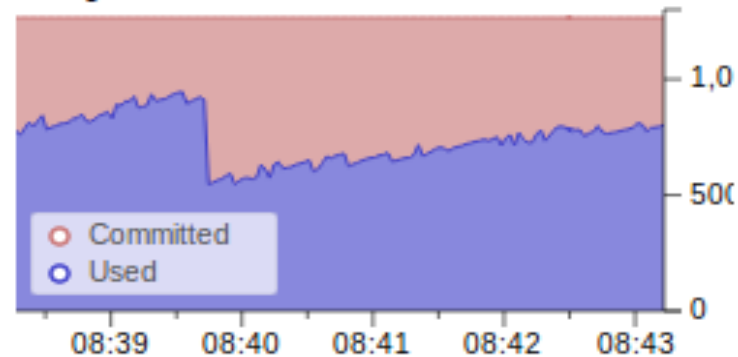
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JVM

VM name: Java HotSpot(TM) 64-Bit Server V
VM vendor: Oracle Corporation
VM version: 23.21-b01

Heap Mem



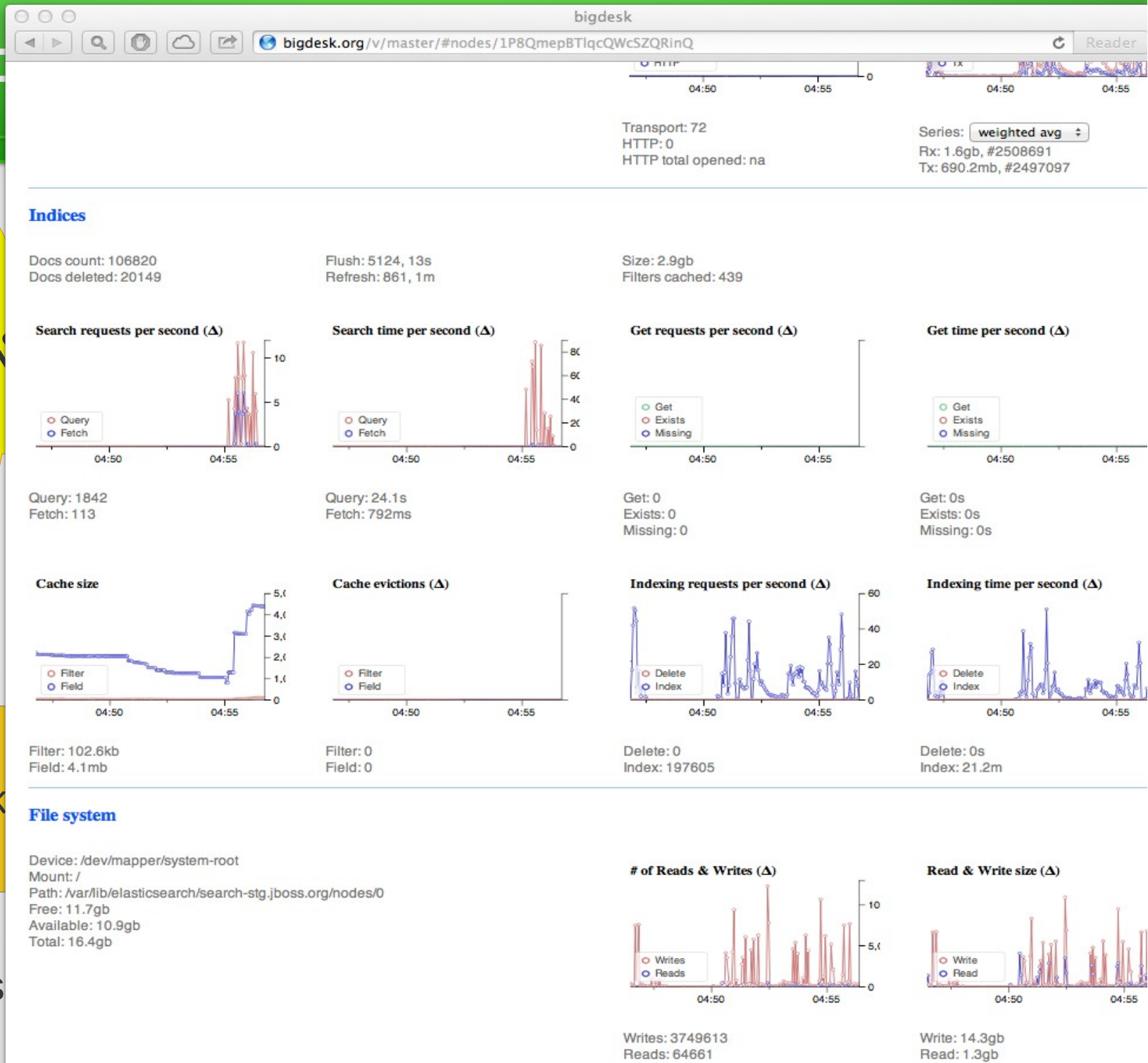
Committed: 1.1gb
Used: 765.4mb

Plug-in for analysis of your search data!

Plugin

Big Desk

Plug-in for analysis



Now you can go ahead and start exploring
Elasticsearch for yourself!!

Thank you!

Questions are welcome!