

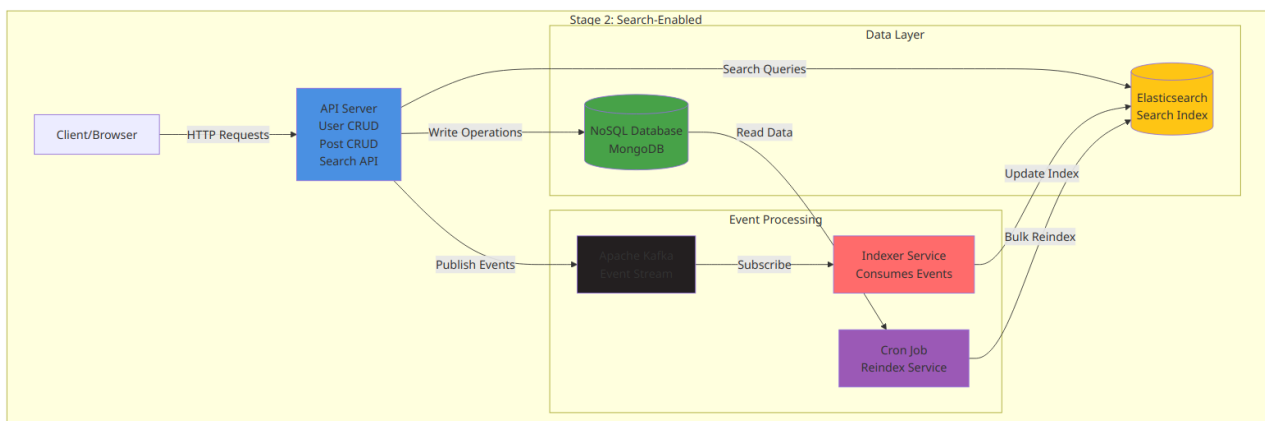
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Stage 2: Search with Elasticsearch

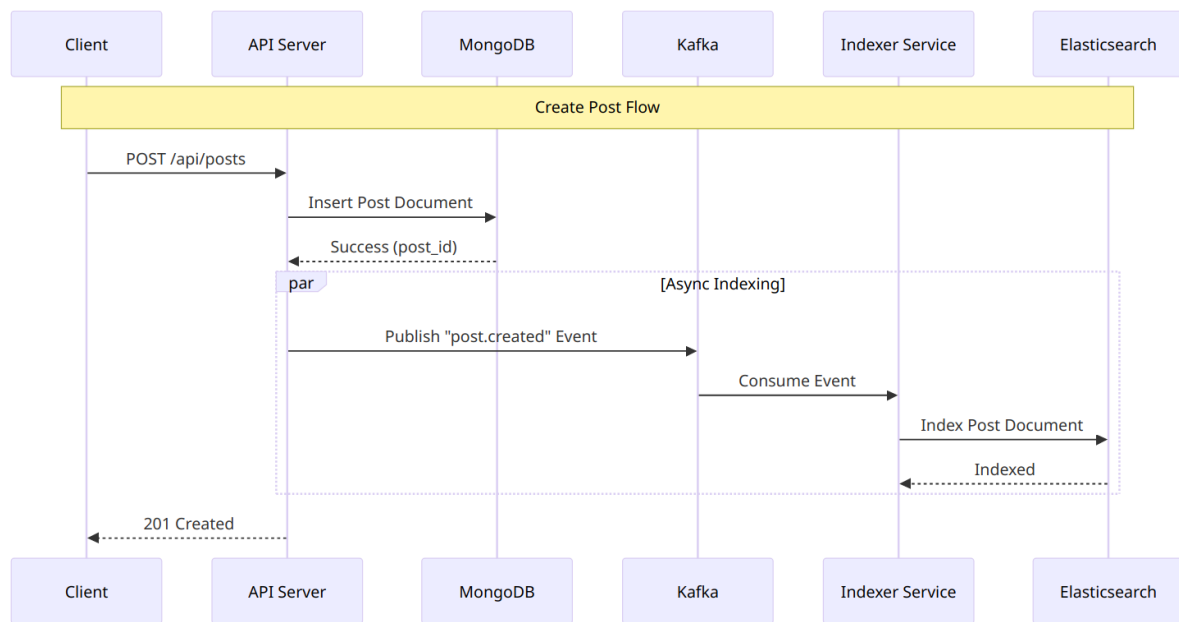
Architecture Overview

Added full-text search capability with Elasticsearch, migrated to NoSQL, and implemented event-driven indexing.



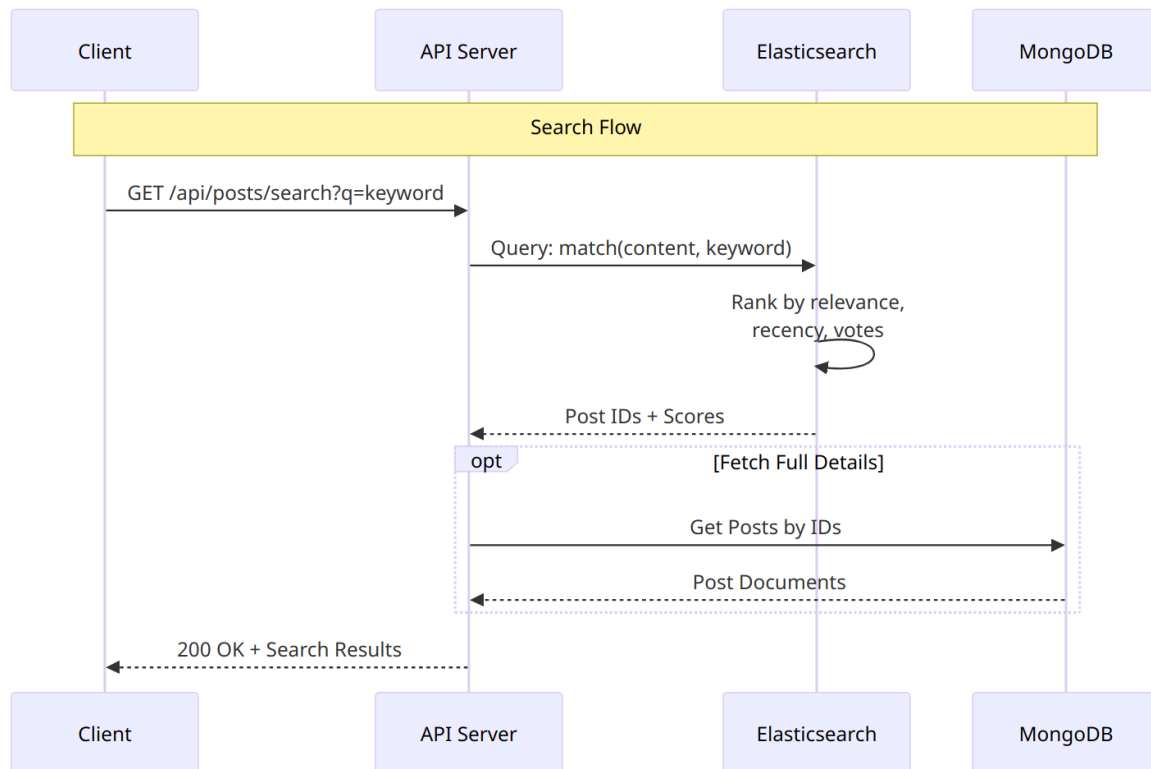
Diagram

Data Flow - Create Post with Indexing



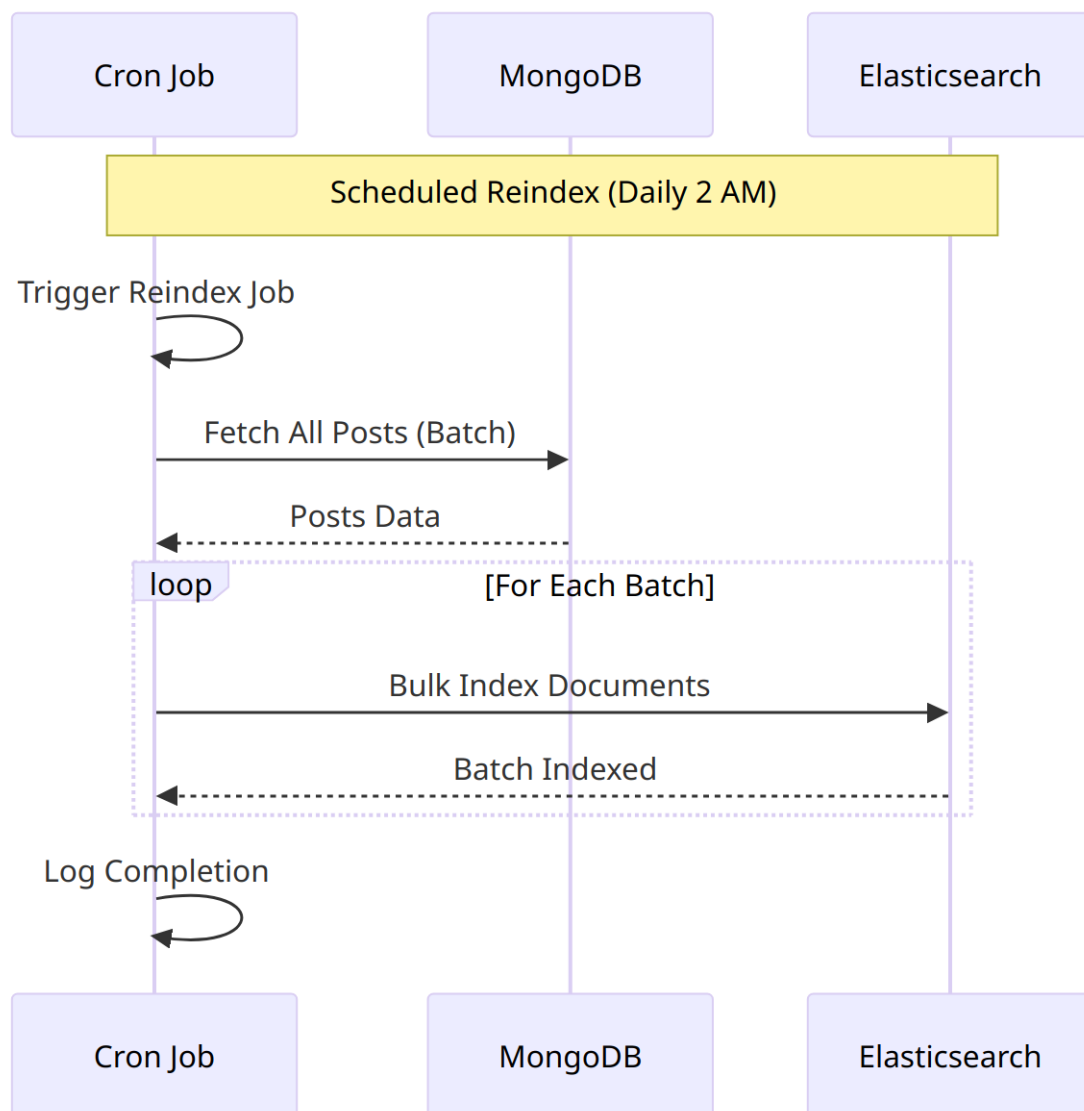
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Data Flow - Search Posts



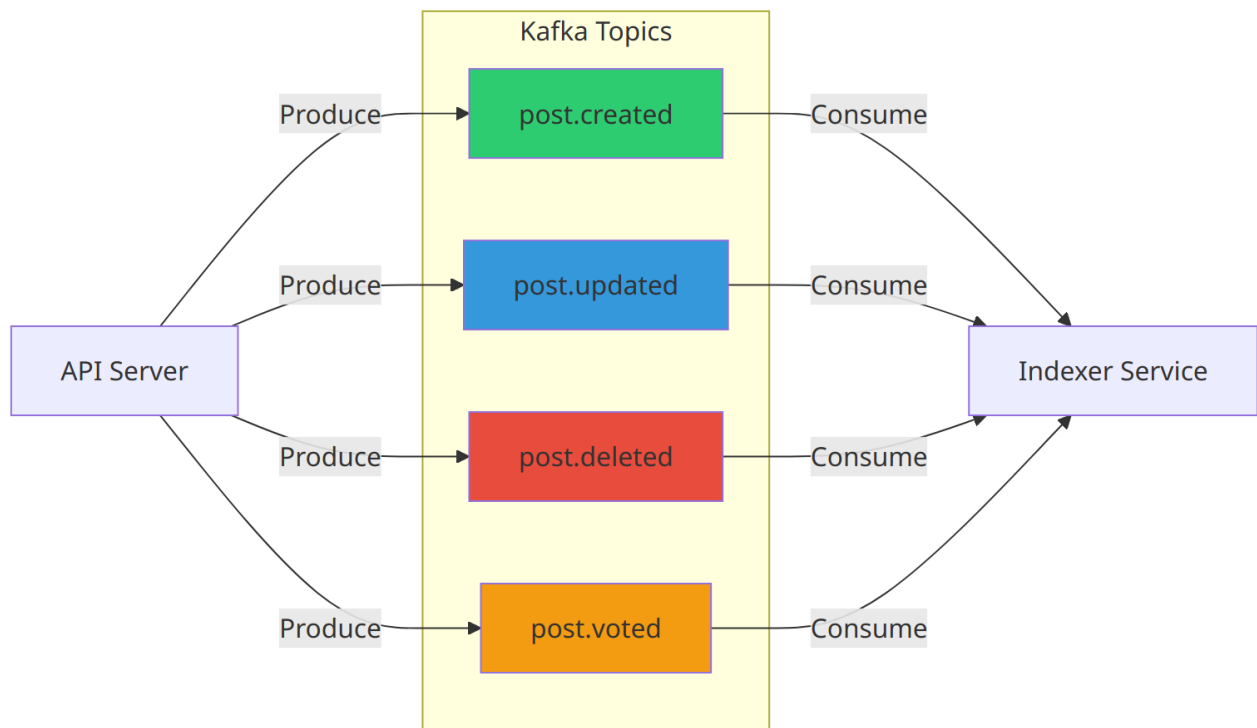
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Reindexing Flow



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Kafka Topics Structure

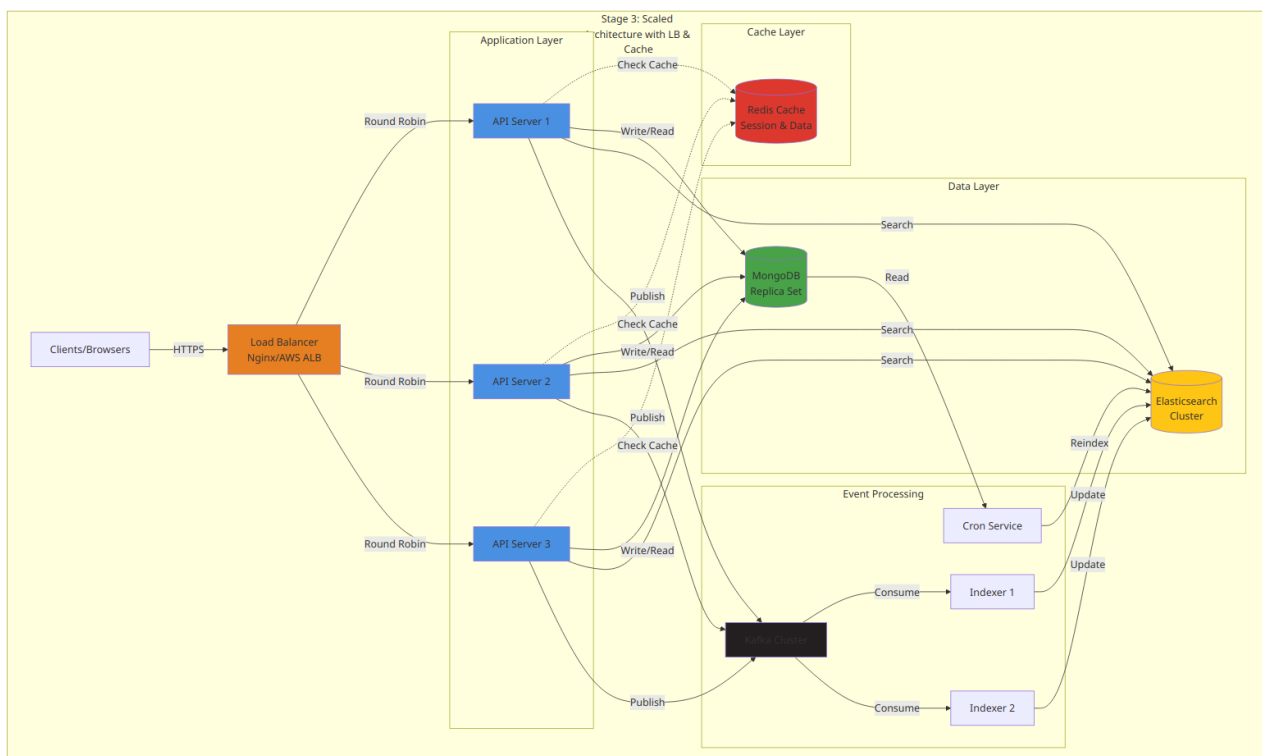


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Stage 3: Load Balancing & Caching

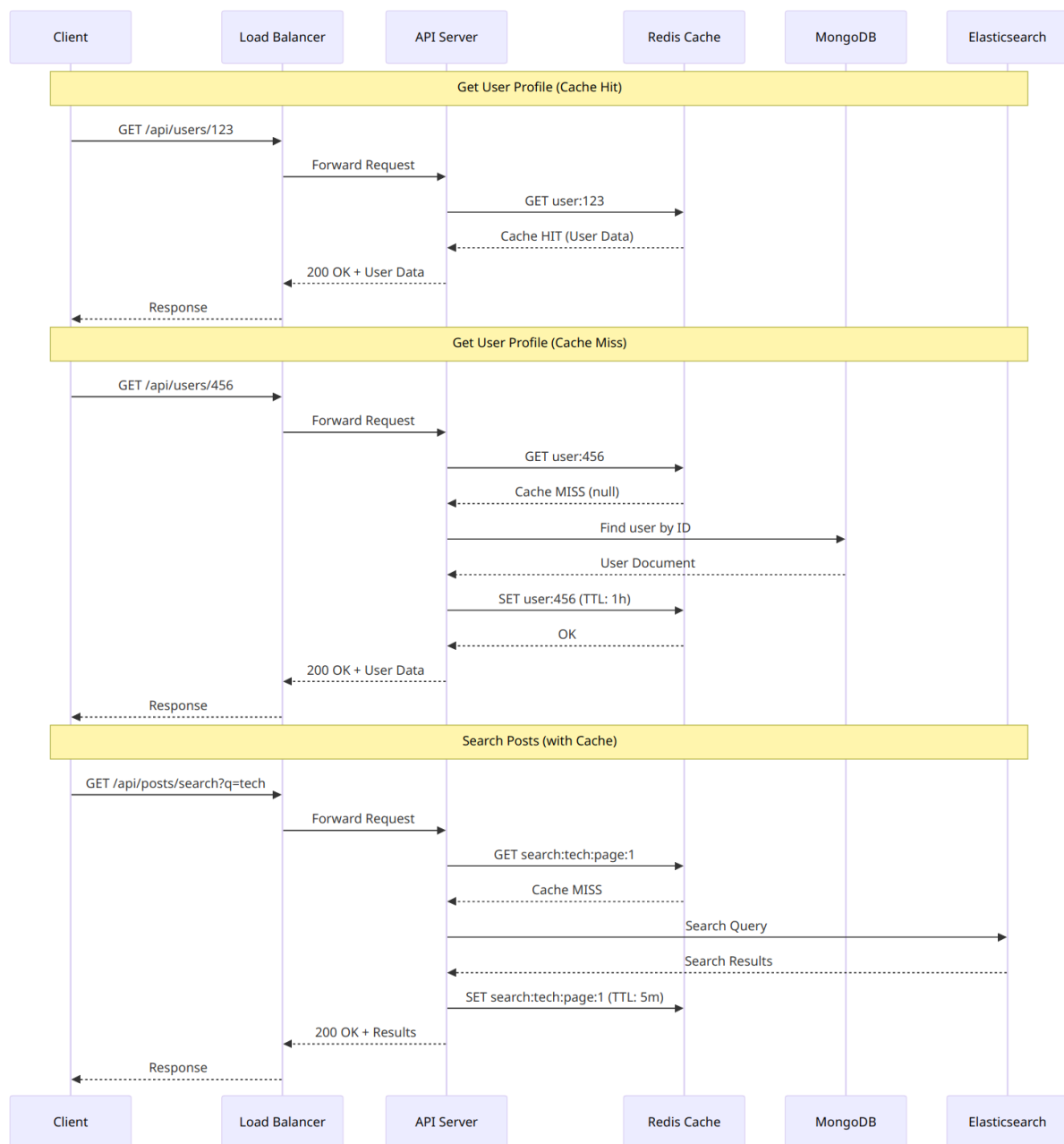
Architecture Overview

Production-ready architecture with load balancing, caching layer, and horizontal scaling.



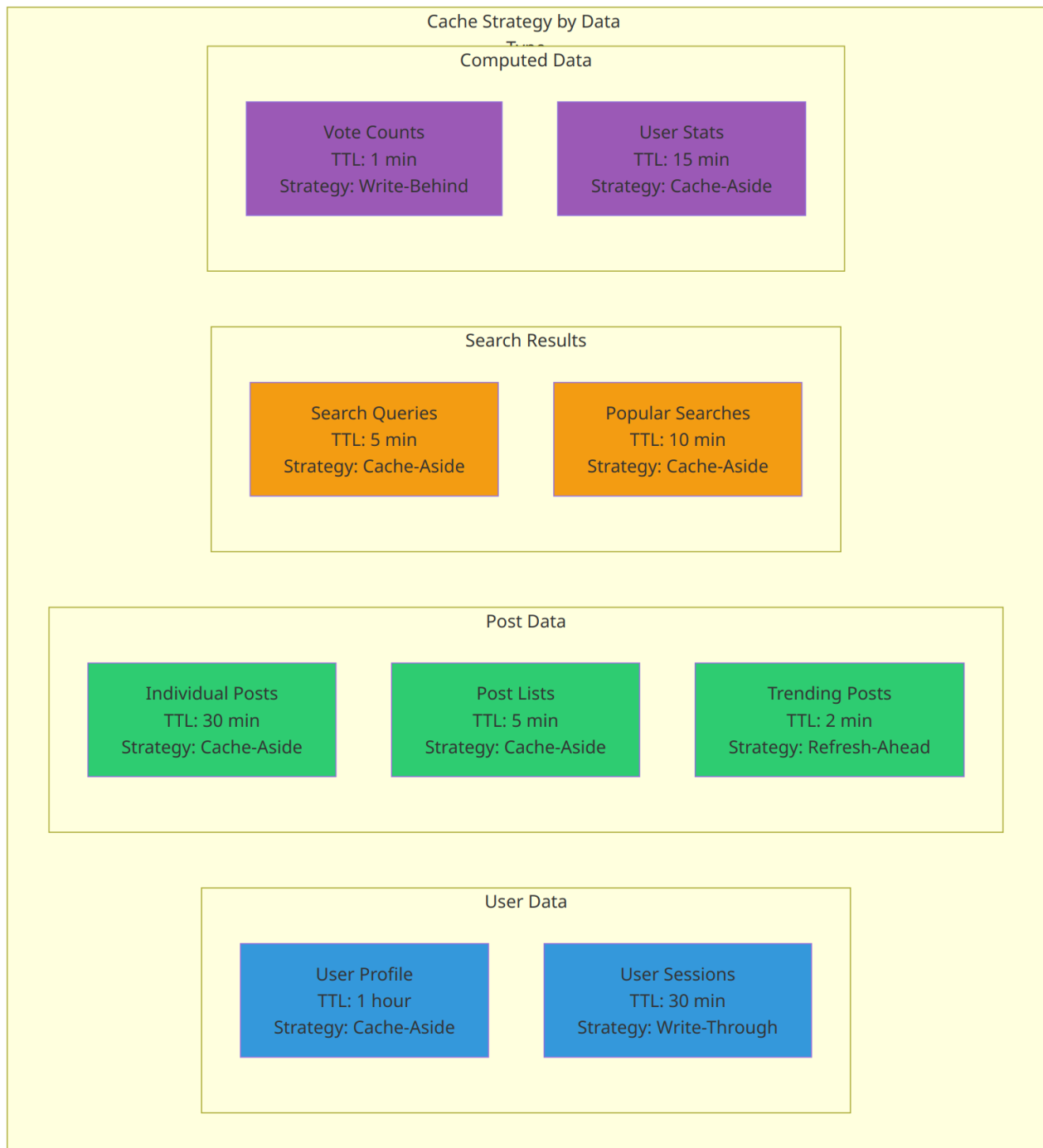
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Detailed Request Flow with Cache



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Cache Strategy Details



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Load Balancer Configuration

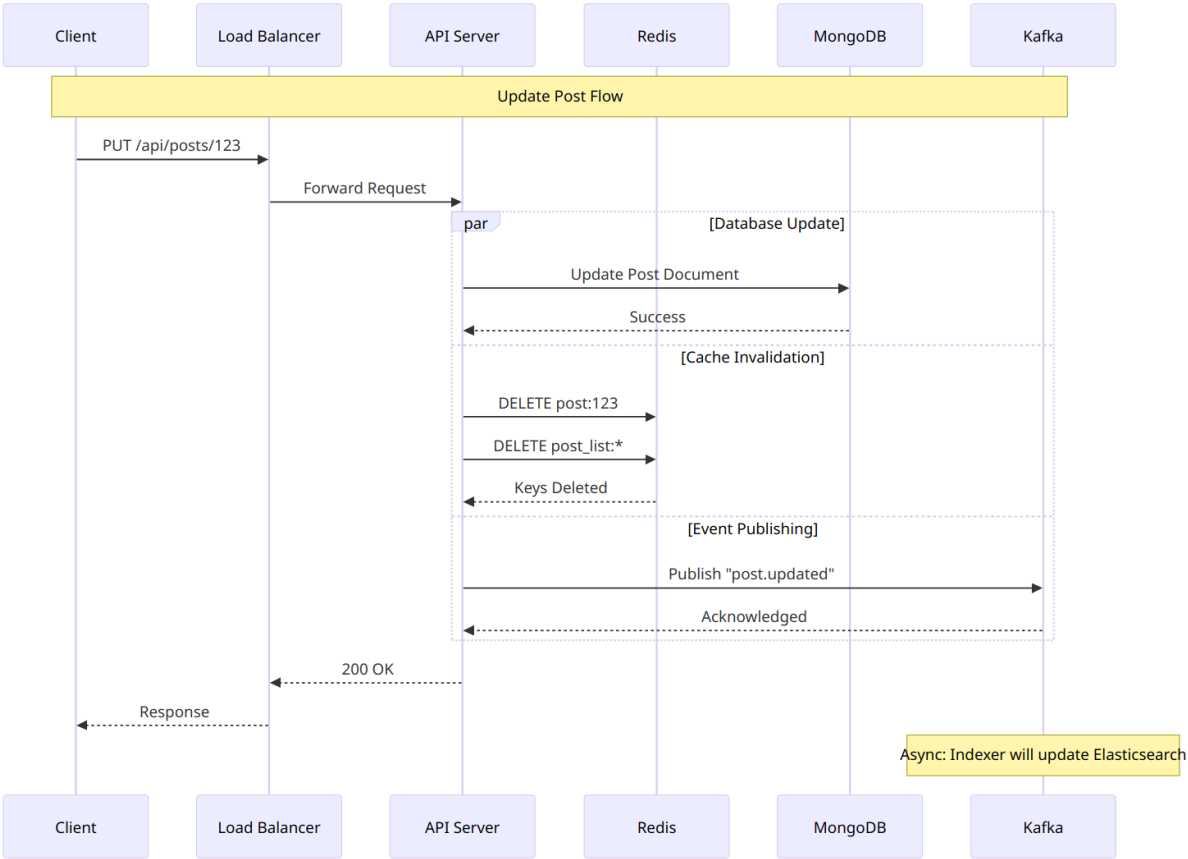
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graph LR
  subgraph "Load Balancer Strategies"
    LB[Load Balancer]

    subgraph "Routing Rules"
      R1[/api/users/* → Round Robin]
      R2[/api/posts/* → Round Robin]
      R3[/api/search/* → Least Connections]
      R4[/api/uploads/* → IP Hash]
    end

    subgraph "Health Checks"
      H1[GET /health every 10s]
      H2[Timeout: 5s]
      H3[Unhealthy threshold: 3]
    end
  end

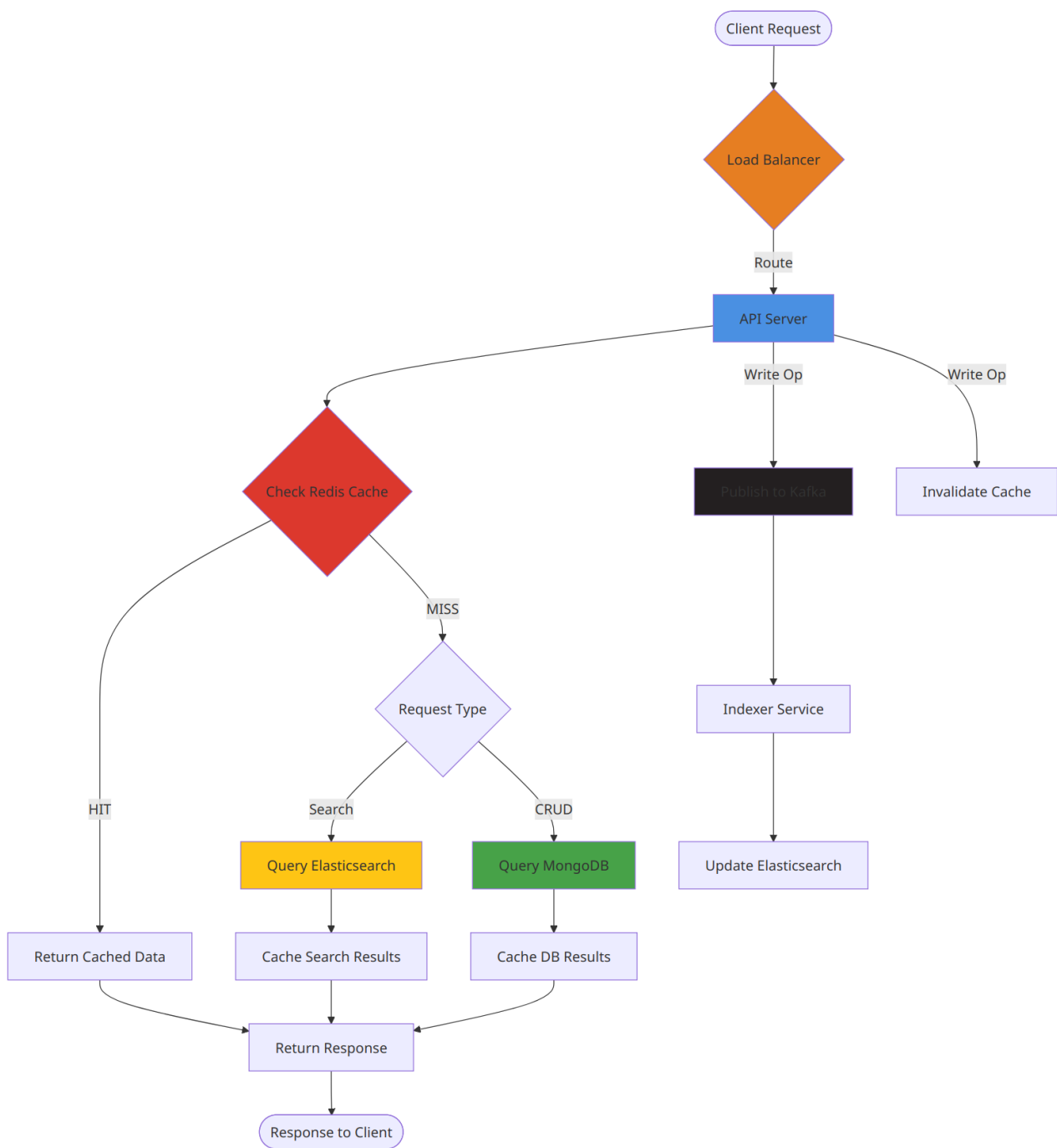
  LB → R1
  LB → R2
  LB → R3
  LB → R4
  LB -.→|Monitor| H1
  LB -.→|Monitor| H2
  LB -.→|Monitor| H3
end
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Write Operation with Cache Invalidation



Diagram

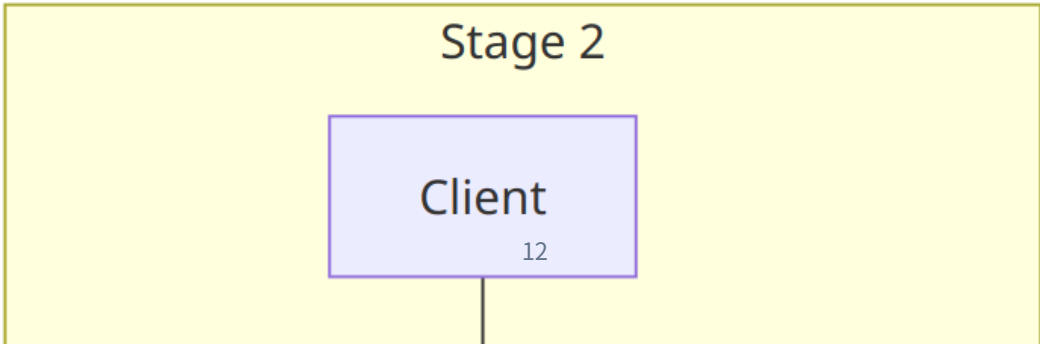
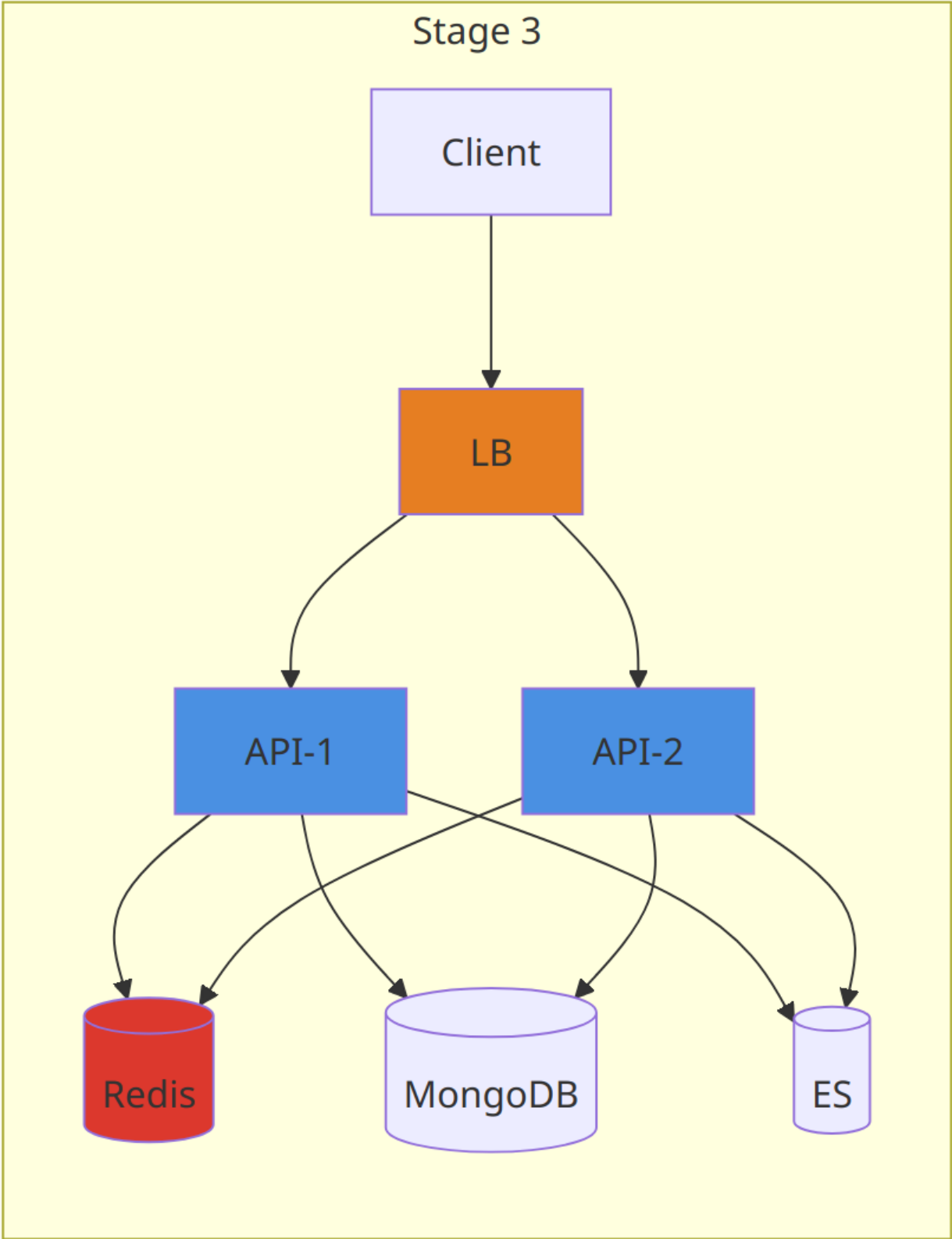
Complete Data Flow



Diagram

Comparison: Stage Evolution

Architecture Complexity



Diagram

Performance Metrics Comparison

Metrics Evolution

Stage 1

Response Time: 200ms

Throughput: 100 req/s

Availability: 95%

Added Search

Stage 2

Response Time: 150ms

Search Time: 50ms

Throughput: 300 req/s

Availability: 97%

Added LB & Cache

Key Features by Stage

FEATURE	STAGE 1	STAGE 2	STAGE 3
User CRUD	✓	✓	✓
Post CRUD	✓	✓	✓
Full-Text Search	✗	✓	✓
Search Ranking	✗	✓ (Relevance, Recency, Votes)	✓
Real-time Indexing	✗	✓ (Kafka)	✓
Batch Reindexing	✗	✓ (Cron)	✓
Load Balancing	✗	✗	✓
Caching	✗	✗	✓ (Redis)
Horizontal Scaling	✗	Partial	✓
High Availability	✗	✗	✓

Technology Stack Summary

Technology Stack			
Layer	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3
Load Bal.	-	-	Nginx/ALB
API	Node.js	Node.js	Node.js (3x)
Cache	-	-	Redis
Database	PostgreSQL	MongoDB	MongoDB Cluster
Search	-	Elasticsearch	ES Cluster
Queue	-	Kafka	Kafka Cluster
Indexer	-	Node.js	Node.js (2x)
Scheduler	-	Cron	Cron Service