Elasticsearch, Logstash & Kibana

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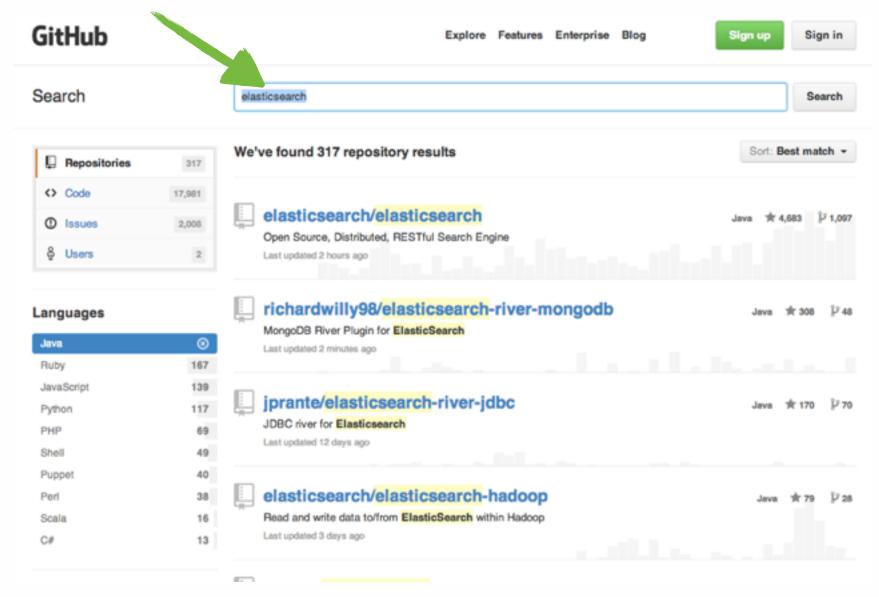


Elasticsearch in 10 seconds

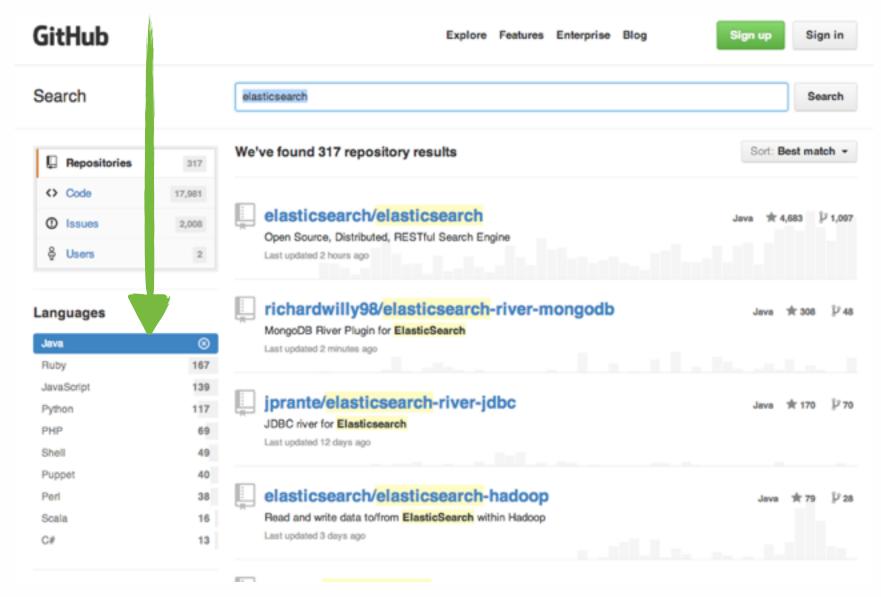
- Schema-free, REST & JSON based document store
- Distributed and horizontally scalable
- Open Source: Apache License 2.0
- Zero configuration
- Written in Java, extensible



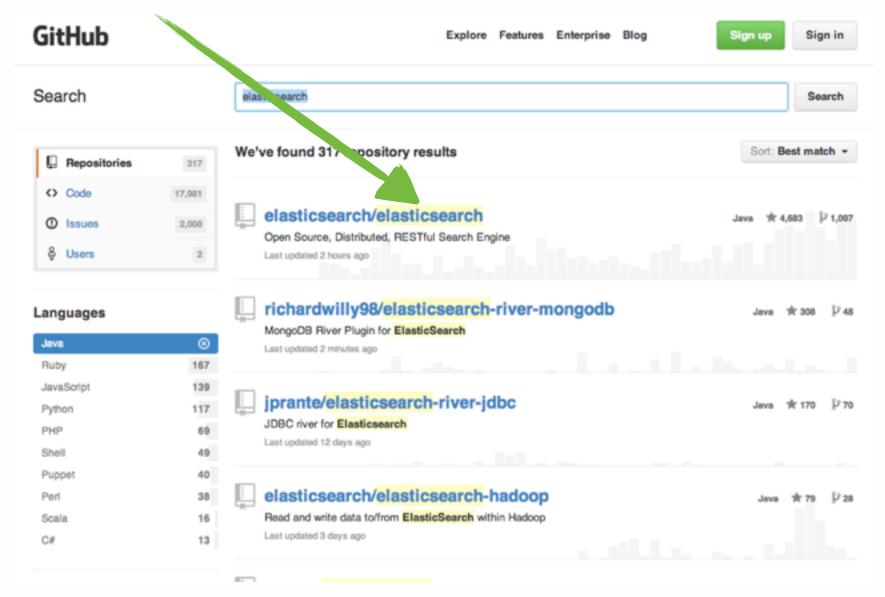
Unstructured search



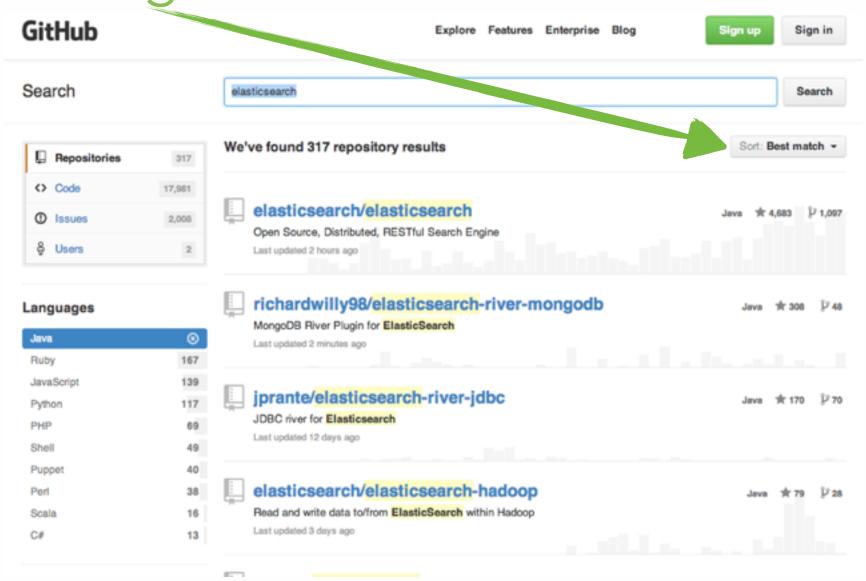
Structured search



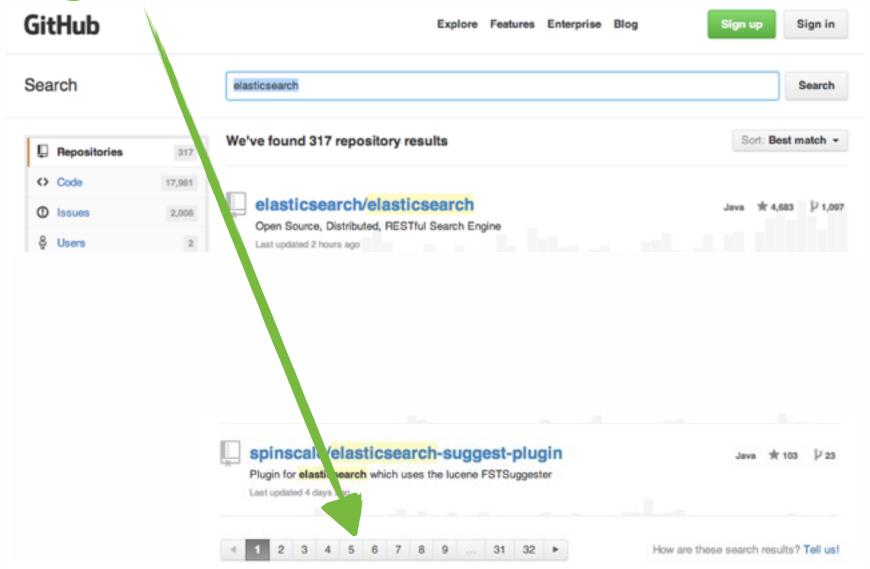
Enrichment



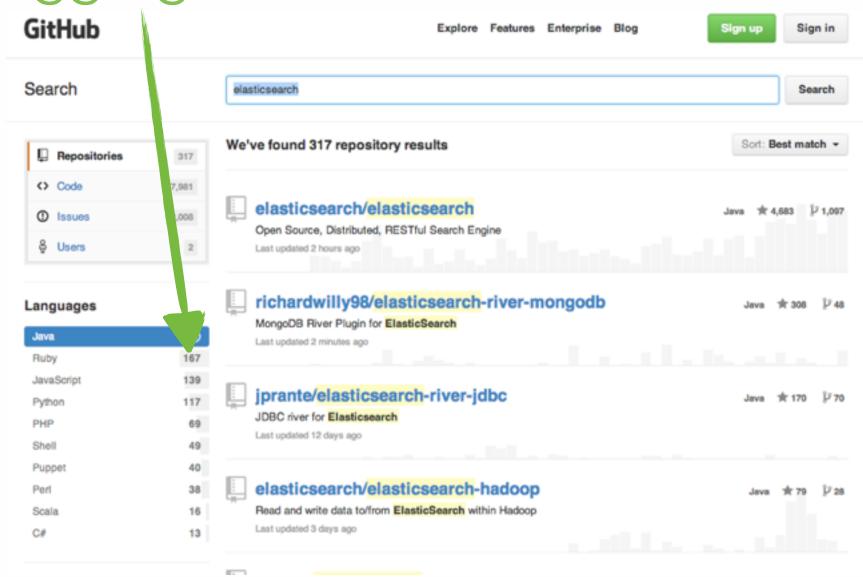
Sorting



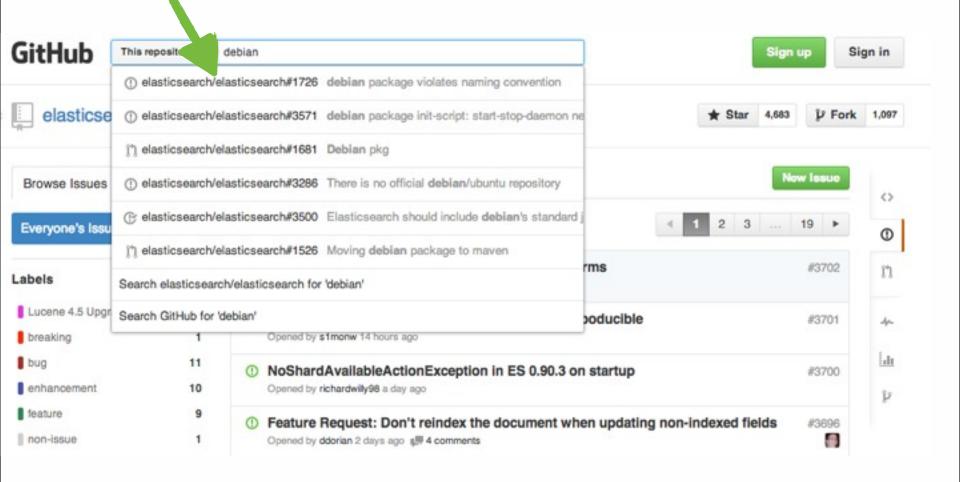
Pagination



Aggregation



Suggestions





Installation & first steps



2 minutes to live

```
$ wget https://download.elasticsearch.org/...
$ tar -xf elasticsearch-1.0.0.tar.gz
$ ./elasticsearch-1.0.0/bin/elasticsearch
...
[2014-01-19 14:53:11,508][INFO ][node] [Scanner] started
...
```

Also puppet modules and RPM/DEB



Is it alive?

```
» curl localhost:9200
 "status" : 200,
 "name" : "Scanner",
 "version" : {
    "number" : "1.0.0",
    "build hash": "e018cda7e7a32643d59e0ac3cdb412ccc239af04",
    "build_timestamp" : "2014-01-17T15:11:47Z",
    "build_snapshot" : true,
    "lucene_version" : "4.6.1"
 },
 "tagline": "You Know, for Search"
```

Create...

```
» curl -XPUT localhost:9200/books/book/1 -d '
{
   "title" : "Elasticsearch - The definitive guide",
   "authors" : "Clinton Gormley",
   "started" : "2013-02-04",
   "pages" : 230
}'
```

Update...

```
» curl -XPUT localhost:9200/books/book/1 -d '
{
   "title" : "Elasticsearch - The definitive guide",
   "authors" : [ "Clinton Gormley", "Zachary Tong" ],
   "started" : "2013-02-04",
   "pages" : 230
}'
```

Delete...

» curl -X DELETE localhost:9200/books/book/1

Realtime GET...

```
» curl —X GET localhost:9200/books/book/1
```

» curl —X GET localhost:9200/books/book/1/_source



Search

» curl -XGET localhost:9200/books/_search?q=elasticsearch

```
{
  "took" : 2, "timed_out" : false,
  "_shards" : { "total" : 5, "successful" : 5, "failed" : 0 },
  "hits" : {
      "total" : 1, "max_score" : 0.076713204,
      "hits" : [ {
            "_index" : "books", "_type" : "book", "_id" : "1",
            "_score" : 0.076713204, "_source" : {
            "title" : "Elasticsearch - The definitive guide",
            "authors" : [ "Clinton Gormley", "Zachary Tong" ],
            "started" : "2013-02-04", "pages" : 230
            }
        }
    }
}
```

Search - Query DSL

```
» curl -XGET 'localhost:9200/books/book/_search' -d '{
   "query": {
       "filtered" : {
           "query" : {
               "match": {
                   "text" : {
                       "query": "To Be Or Not To Be",
                       "cutoff_frequency" : 0.01
           },
           "filter" : {
               "range": {
                 "price": {
                  "gte": 20.0
                   "lte": 50.0
}'
```



Distributed and scalable



Basic terms

Index

Logical collection of data; might be time based Analogous to a database

Replication

Read scalability Removing SPOF

Sharding

Split logical data over several machines Write scalability Control data flows



Shards and replicas



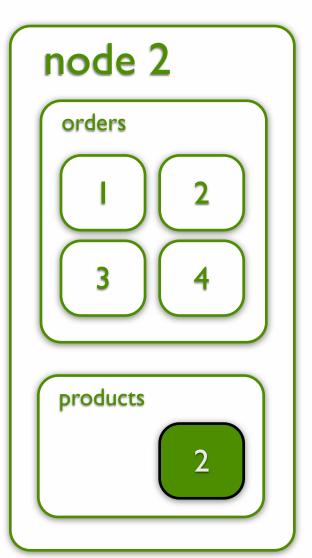
```
curl -X PUT localhost:9200/orders -d '{
    "settings.index.number_of_shards" : 4
    "settings.index.number_of_replicas" : 1
}'
```

```
curl -X PUT localhost:9200/products -d '{
    "settings.index.number_of_shards" : 2
    "settings.index.number_of_replicas" : 0
}'
```



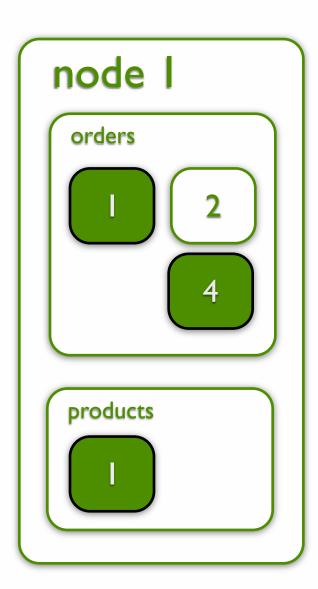
Shards and replicas







Automatic leveling







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Cluster management

- Single master at any point in time
 Responsible for cluster state (node entry, mappings)
- Multicast based discovery (optionally unicast)
- Configuration is required here
 Tell each node the name of the cluster to join
 Set minimum master nodes
- Tip: reserve 3 nodes for master role and do not put data on them



Sizing a cluster or node

Data and operation dependent

How big are your documents? How many fields in them? What is your query rate?

Do you do facets/aggregations, sorting, custom scoring?

What is your write rate?

Do you delete documents? Update them?

Is the data time-based?

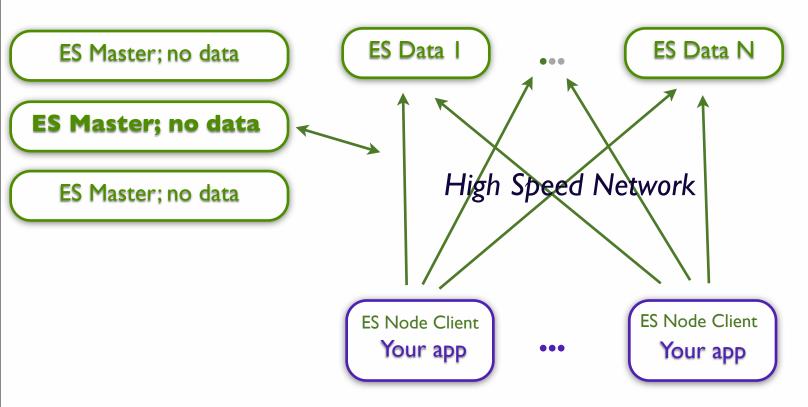
• Test on one node, no replicas

Look at shard size, JVM heap usage and GC frequency, number of shards/node, docs per shard, CPU util, disk util, index pattern

Tip: 30 GB heap



Deployment architecture



- Above shows local disk; SAN OK
- Tip: clusters spanning high latency WANs are not recommended. Cross-zone in EC2 is OK.

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Elasticsearch use-cases



What is data?

Whatever provides value for your business

Domain data

Internal: Orders, products

External: Social media streams, email

Application data

Log files

Metrics



Use case: Product search engine



Product search engine

- Just index all your products and be happy?
 Search is not that easy
- Synonyms, Suggestions, Faceting, Custom scoring, Analytics, Decompounding, Query optimization, beyond search
- User your domain knowledge



Scoring

- Is full-text search relevancy really your preferred scoring algorithm?
- Possible influential factors

Age of the product, been ordered in last 24h In Stock?
No shipping costs
Special offer
Rating (product or seller)

http://www.elasticsearch.org/guide/en/elasticsearch/reference/current/query-dsl-function-score-query.html



Faceting & user exploration

Products grouped by

Category Material Brand

Allowing to filter

All of the facets
Price range
Color
Seller
Ratings (hard!)



Notification with percolation

• Customer: If a product matches name X and costs below price Y, is color Z, then I want to get a mail More likely: Notify customer, when it is back in stock

Enter percolation!

Not: Index a document and fire a query

But: Index a query and check a document for a match

https://speakerdeck.com/javanna/whats-new-in-percolator



Use-case: Analytics



Analytics

- Aggregation of information
- Facets are one dimensional
 Categories/brands/material of all results of this query
- Questions are multidimensional Average revenue per category id per day

• Elasticsearch 1.0 has aggregations Nested faceting



Create knowledge from data

Orders

How many orders were created every day in the last month? How many orders were created per state in the last month?

Money

What is the average revenue per shopping cart?
What is the average shopping cart size per order per hour?

Product portfolio

Take the location of people into account for special offers? Analyse page views: Premium or low budget ecommerce site?



Ecosystem

- Plugins
 Many third party plugins available
- Clients for many languages
 Ruby, python, php, perl, javascript, (.NET coming)
 Scala, clojure, go
- Kibana
- Logstash
- Hadoop integration





























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Tools for sys admins



REST-based management

- Elasticsearch is full of monitoring APIs Everything is returned as JSON
- Humans are not the world's best JSON parsers
- What if elasticsearch had an easy to use interface from the commandline?



Which node is the master?

```
$ curl "localhost:9200/ cluster/state?pretty&filter metadata=true&
filter routing table=true"
  "cluster name" : "elasticsearch",
  "master node" : "GNf0hEXlTfaBvQXKBF300A",
  "blocks" : { },
  "nodes" : {
    "ObdRqLHGQ6CMI5rOEstA5A" : {
      "name" : "Triton",
      "transport address": "inet[/10.0.1.11:9300]",
      "attributes" : { }
    },
    "4C7pKbfhTvu0slcSy G4 w" : {
      "name" : "Kid Colt",
      "transport address": "inet[/10.0.1.12:9300]",
      "attributes" : { }
    "GNf0hEXlTfaBvQXKBF300A" : {
      "name" : "Lang, Steven",
      "transport address": "inet[/10.0.1.13:9300]",
      "attributes" : { }
```

Which one is the master? (v1.0)

```
$ curl localhost:9200/_cat/master
GNf0hEXlTfaBvQXKBF300A 10.0.1.13 Lang, Steven
```



_cat/* api

- /_cat/allocation
- /_cat/count
- /_cat/health
- /_cat/master
- /_cat/aliases

- /_cat/nodes
- /_cat/recovery
- /_cat/shards
- /_cat/indices
- /_cat/thread_pool



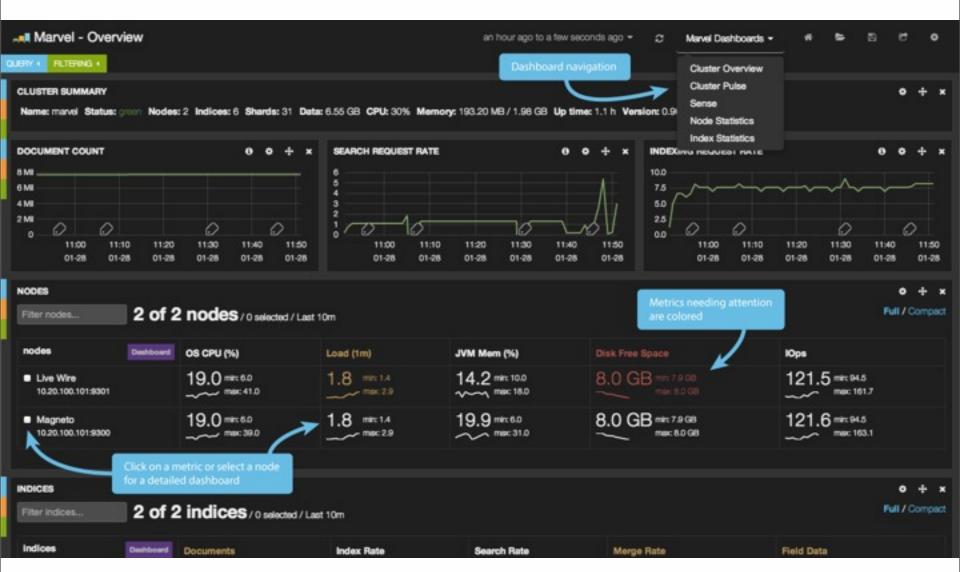
Monitor your cluster with Marvel

- Point in time views are a start
- Marvel shows historical trends
- Visualize cluster behavior, act before problems

Free for development, \$500/year for up to 5 nodes

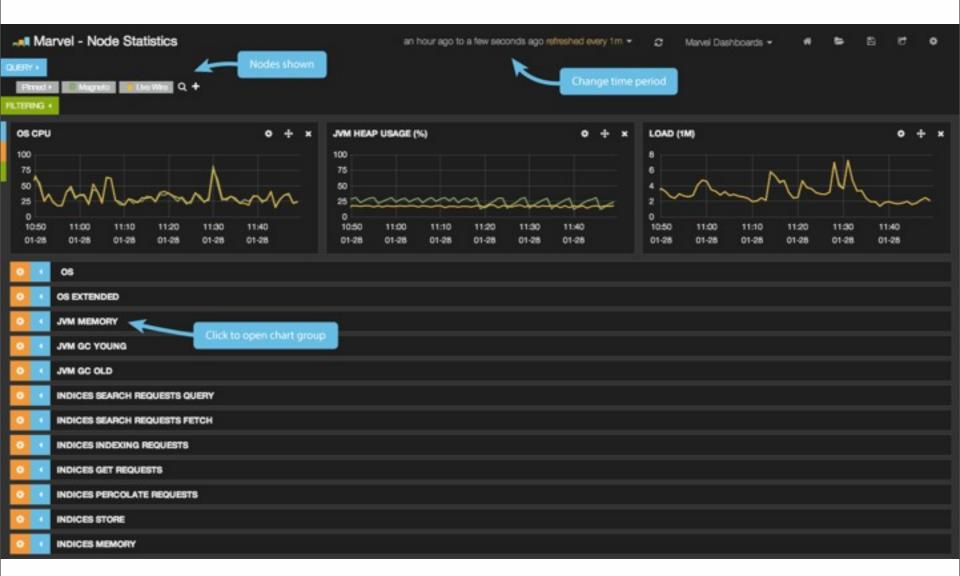


Overview



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Node statistics



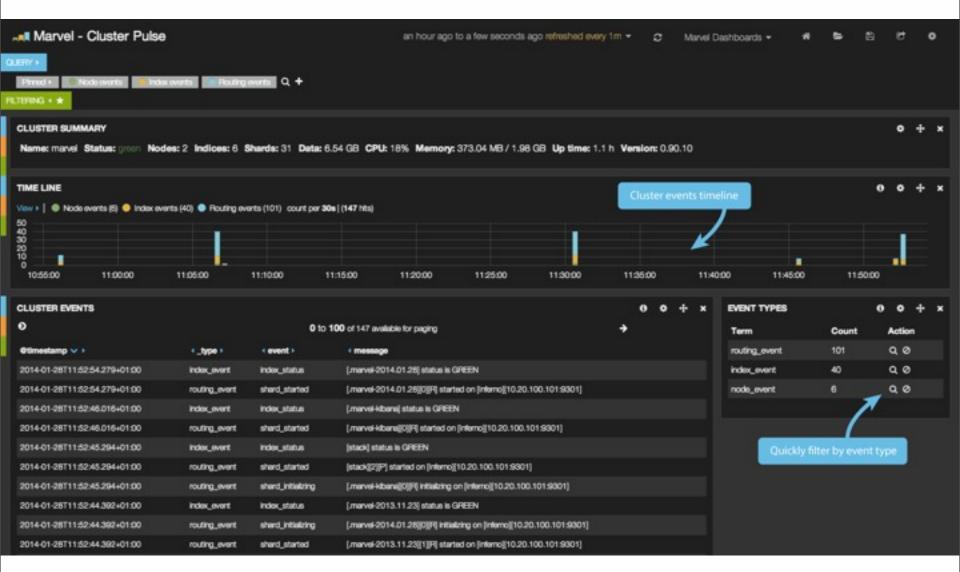


Index statistics





Cluster Pulse





Sense

```
Server
           localhost9200
                                                                           Submit request to Elasticsearch
                                                                                                                                                                   Marvel Dashboards *
                                                                                                                                                                                           0
     # search for a super hero
                                                                               "took": 6.
                                                                               "timed_out": folse,
    GIT marvel/superhero/_search
                                                                               "_shards": {
       "query": {
                                                                                 "total": 2,
 5 -
 6 -
         "motch": {
                                                                                 "successful": 2,
            ": "spiderman"
                                                                                 "failed": 0
 8 -
         } nome
                                              string
                                                                       8 -
                                                                               "hits": {
 9 -
                                                                       9-
                                              string
            powers
                                                                                  "total": 1,
                                                                       10
10 - }
            enemies
                                              string
                                                                                 "max_score": 1,
11
                                                                       11
            reting
                                                long
                                                                       12 -
                                                                                 "hits": [
12
13
    # index a doc
     PUT marvel/superhero/spiderman
                                                                                        "_index": "marvel",
14
15 - {
                                                                                        "_type": "superhero",
                                                                                        "_id": "spidermon",
16
       "name": "Spiderman",
                                                                       16
       "powers": ["webbing", "climbing", "night vision"],
                                                                       17
17
                                                                                        "_score": 1,
       "enemies": ["the green gobiln", "venom"]
                                                                      18 -
18
                                                                                        "_source": {
19 - }
                                                                       19
                                                                                           "name": "Spiderman",
                                                                       20 -
20
                                                                                           "powers": [
21
    # create an index
                                                                       21
                                                                                              "webbing",
22 PUT marvel
                                                                       22
                                                                                              "climbing",
23 - {
                                                                       23
                                                                                              "night vision"
24 -
       "settings": {
                                                                      24 -
25
         "number_of_shards": 2,
                                                                       25 -
                                                                                           "enemtles": [
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         "number_of_replicas": 1
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                                                                                              "venon"
       3.
28 -
       "mappings": {
                                                                      28 -
29 -
         "superhero": {
                                                                      29 -
30 -
           "properties": {
                                                                      38 -
             "name": { "type": "string" }.
                                                                      31 -
31
32 -
             "powers": {
                                                                      32 -
               "type": "string",
                                                                      33 - }
33
34
               "index": "not_analyzed"
35 -
36 -
37 -
38 -
39 - }
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    PUT marvel/superhero/venom
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       "nome": "Venom",
44
       "reting": 5
45 - }
46
47 PHT moruel/superhern/preenonhlin
```





Log analysis with Logstash and Kibana



Logstash in 10 seconds

- Managing events and logs
- · Collect, parse, enrich, store data
- Modular: many, many inputs and outputs
- Apache License 2.0
- Ruby app (JRuby)
- Part of Elasticsearch family



What is a log?

- Time-based data
- This data is everywhere!

Server logs
Twitter stream
Financial transactions
Metric / monitoring data

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Log all things



Why collect & centralize logs?

- Access log files without system access
- Shell scripting: Too limited or slow
- Using unique ids for errors, aggregate it across your stack
- Reporting (everyone can create his/her own report)
- Bonus points: Unify your data to make it easily searchable



Logstash architecture

Input collect and split

Filter

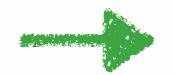
alter and enrich

Output

store and visualize







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Inputs

- Monitoring: collectd, graphite, ganglia, snmptrap, zenoss
- Datastores: elasticsearch, redis, sqlite, s3
- Queues: rabbitmq, zeromq
- Logging: eventlog, lumberjack, gelf, log4j, relp, syslog, varnish log
- Platforms: drupal_dblog, gemfire, heroku, sqs, s3, twitter
- Local: exec, generator, file, stdin, pipe, unix
- Protocol: imap, irc, stomp, tcp, udp, websocket, wmi, xmpp



Filters

- alter, anonymize, checksum, csv, drop, multiline
- dns, date, extractnumbers, geoip, i18n, kv, noop, ruby, range
- json, urldecode, useragent
- metrics, sleep
- ... many, many more ...



Outputs

- Store: elasticsearch, gemfire, mongodb, redis, riak, rabbitmq
- Monitoring: ganglia, graphite, graphtastic, nagios, opentsdb, statsd, zabbix
- Notification: email, hipchat, irc, pagerduty, sns
- Protocol: gelf, http, lumberjack, metriccatcher, stomp, tcp, udp, websocket, xmpp
- External Monitoring: boundary, circonus, cloudwatch, datadog, librato
- External service: google big query, google cloud storage, jira, loggly, riemann, s3, sqs, syslog, zeromq
- Local: csv, exec, file, pipe, stdout, null



Installation

- Ruby application, but Java required (JRuby)
- Download single tgz, deb, RPM (also repositories)
 No gem/dependency nightmares!
- Puppet module



Simple example

Download, create config and run

```
input {
    stdin {}

output {
    stdout { debug => true }
}
```



Simple filter with grok

```
input {
    stdin {}
}

filter {
    grok {
      match => [ "message", "%{WORD:firstname} %{WORD:lastname} %
{NUMBER:age}" ]
    }
}

output {
    stdout { debug => true }
}
```

Simple filter with grok

Syslog example with grok

```
input { stdin {} }
filter {
 grok {
   match => { "message" => "%
{SYSLOGTIMESTAMP:syslog timestamp} %
{SYSLOGHOST:syslog hostname} %{DATA:syslog program}(?:\[%
{POSINT:syslog_pid}\])?: %{GREEDYDATA:syslog_message}" }
 date {
    match => [ "syslog timestamp",
               "MMM d HH:mm:ss", "MMM dd HH:mm:ss" ]
output { stdout { debug => true } }
```

Syslog example with grok

```
Jun 10 04:04:01 lvps109-104-93-171 postfix/smtpd[11105]:
connect from mail-we0-f196.google.com[74.125.82.196]
             "message" => "Jun 10 04:04:01
lvps109-104-93-171 postfix/smtpd[11105]: connect from
mail-we0-f196.google.com[74.125.82.196]",
            "@version" => "1",
          "@timestamp" => "2014-06-10T04:04:01.000+02:00",
                "host" => "kryptic.local",
    "syslog timestamp" => "Jun 10 04:04:01",
     "syslog hostname" => "lvps109-104-93-171",
      "syslog program" => "postfix/smtpd",
          "syslog pid" => "11105",
      "syslog message" => "connect from mail-we0-
f196.google.com[74.125.82.196]"
```

CLF log files

```
{
        "message" \Rightarrow "193.99.144.85 - - [23/Jan/2014:17:11:55 +0000]
\"GET / HTTP/1.1\" 200 140 \"-\" \"Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 6.1; WOW64)
AppleWebKit/535.19 (KHTML, like Gecko) Chrome/18.0.1025.5 Safari/
535.19\"",
       "@version" => "1",
     "@timestamp" => "2014-01-24T07:56:02.460Z",
           "host" => "kryptic.local",
       "clientip" => "193.99.144.85",
          "ident" => "-",
           "auth" => "-",
      "timestamp" => "23/Jan/2014:17:11:55 +0000",
           "verb" => "GET",
        "request" => "/",
    "httpversion" => "1.1",
       "response" => "200",
          "bytes" => "140",
       "referrer" => "\"-\"",
          "agent" => "\"Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 6.1; WOW64)
AppleWebKit/535.19 (KHTML, like Gecko) Chrome/18.0.1025.5 Safari/
535.19\""
}
```



Write to elasticsearch

```
input { stdin {} }

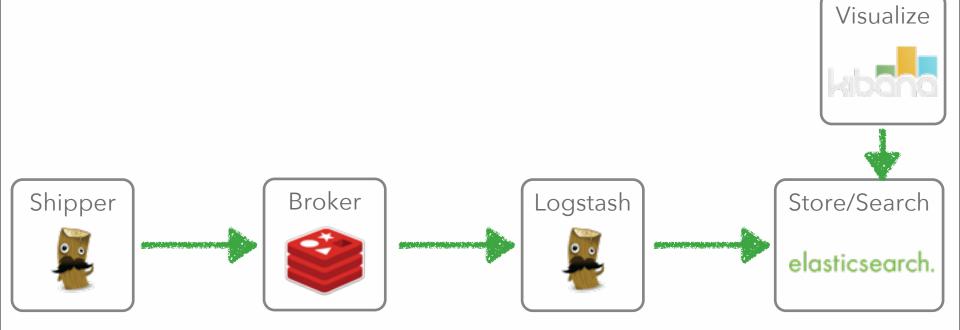
filter {
    grok {
      match => [ message, "%{COMBINEDAPACHELOG}" ]
    }
}

output {
    elasticsearch_http {}
}
```

Deploying ELK for scale



Add a broker

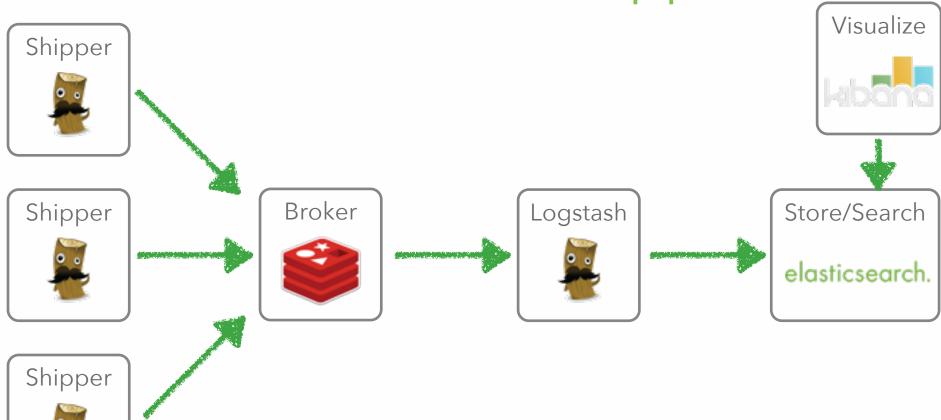


Brokers help with scale and stability by buffering the input and protecting against output downtime.

Tip: set limits on broker queue to push back on source as well.

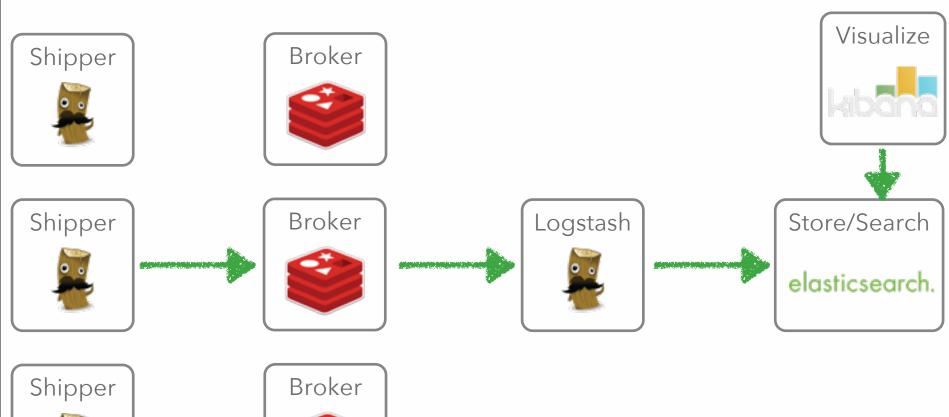


Scale out the shipper



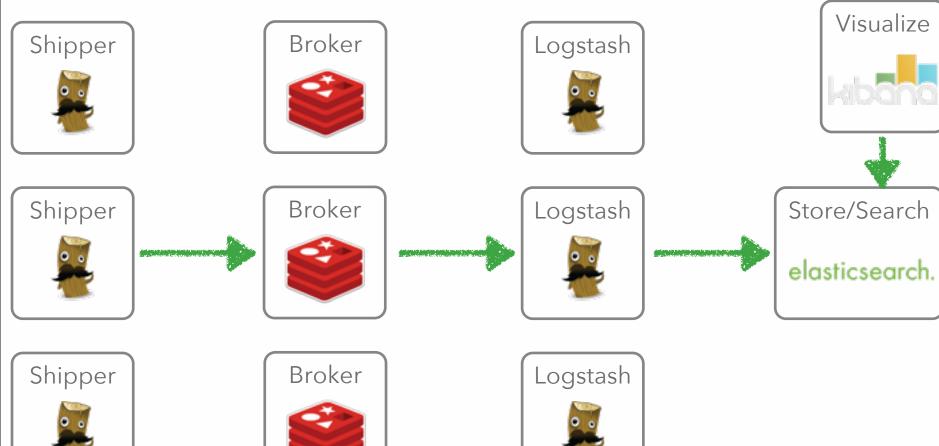


Scale out the broker



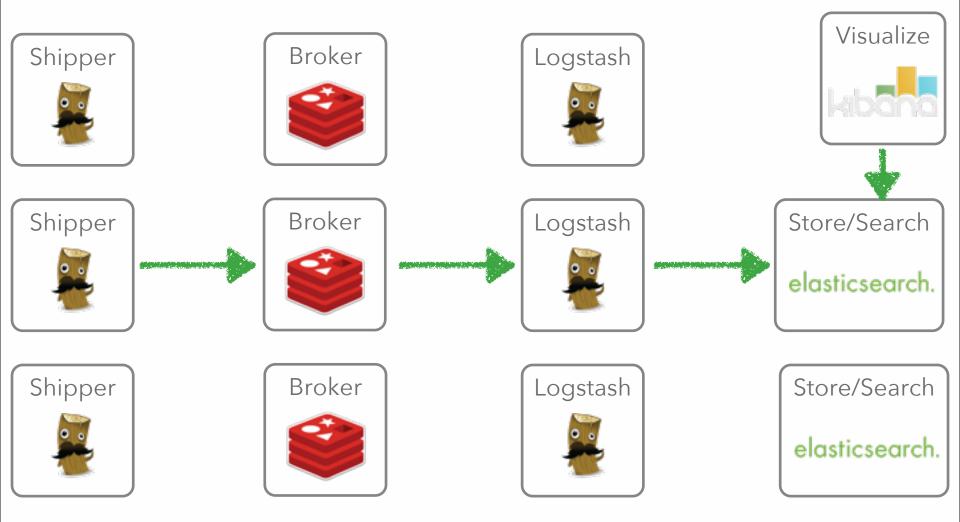


Scale out Logstash





Scale out Elasticsearch



elasticsearch.

Logstash scaling

- Events get passed via Ruby SizedQueue
- input/worker/output threads, can be configured
- Each input is one thread, unless explicitly configured
- One worker thread by default, use -w to change
- Output is a single thread (some outputs have their own queueing thread)

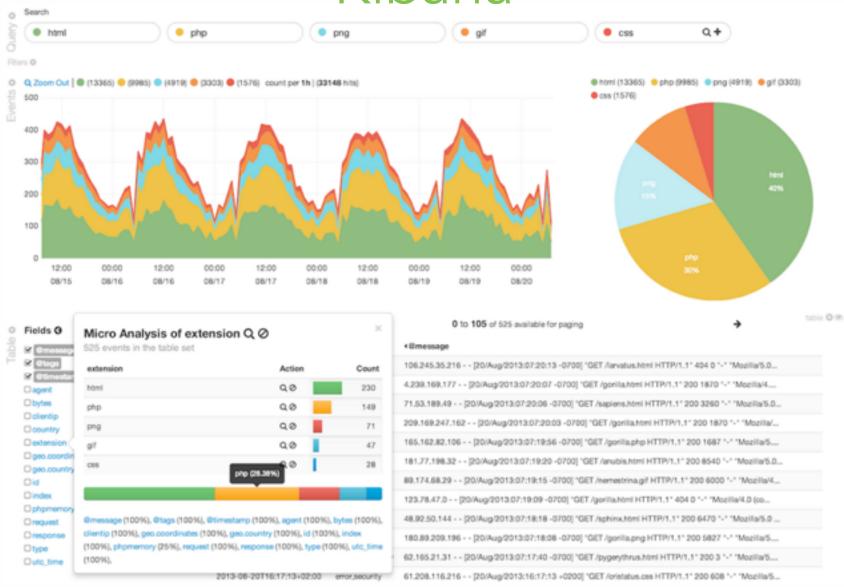
http://logstash.net/docs/1.3.3/life-of-an-event



Visualize with Kibana



Kibana



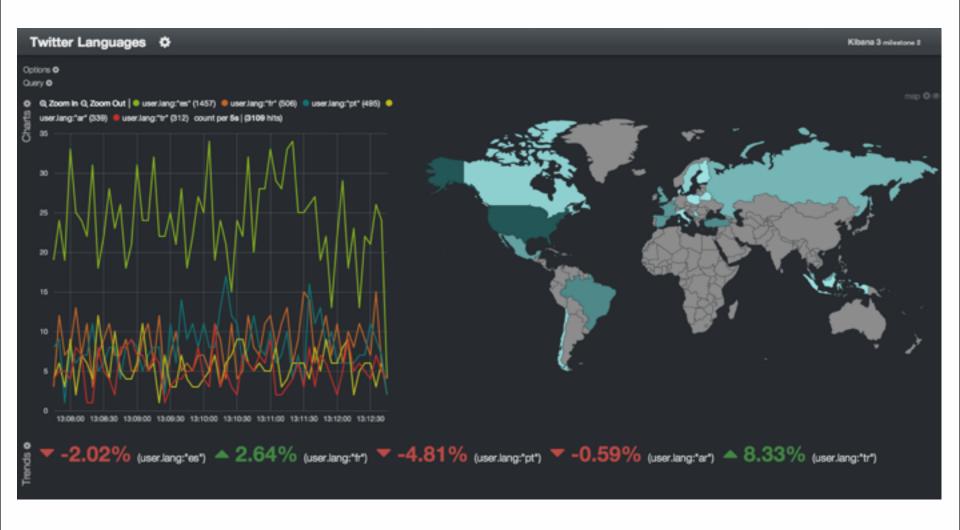


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Useful helpers

- Curator: index management

 http://www.elasticsearch.org/blog/curator-tending-your-time-series-indices/
- Puppet module
 https://github.com/elasticsearch/puppet-logstash
- logstash forwarder: low overhead collector https://github.com/elasticsearch/logstash-forwarder
- Logstash cookbook
 http://cookbook.logstash.net/



More info

- Github: https://github.com/elasticsearch
 Code, issues there
 Except Logstash issues at https://logstash.jira.com
- Mailing lists
 Google groups, logstash-users and elasticsearch
- IRC channels #logstash and #elasticsearch on freenode
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