



Operating Elasticsearch in Kubernetes

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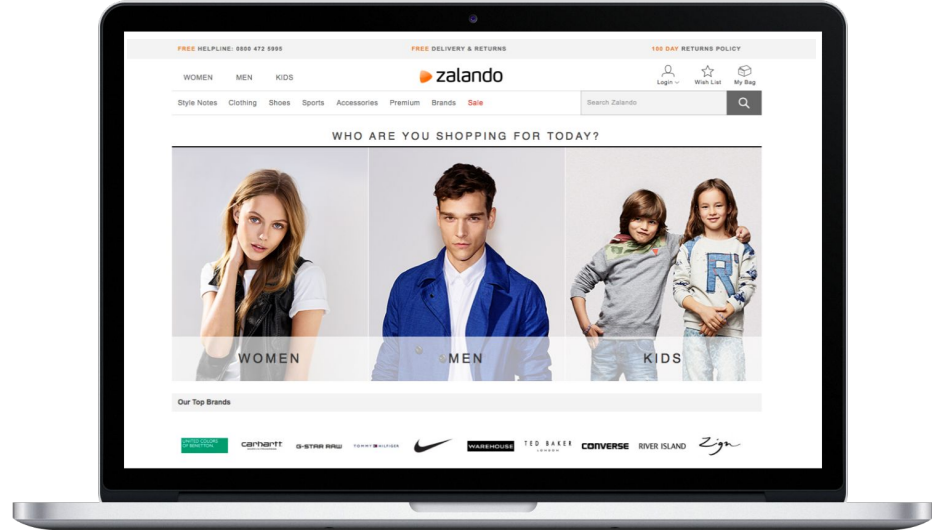
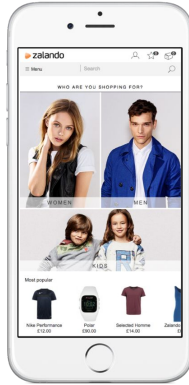


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Core Search Services
Elasticsearch



Mikkel
Cloud Infrastructure

“EUROPE’S LEADING ONLINE FASHION PLATFORM”



WE BRING FASHION TO PEOPLE IN 17 COUNTRIES

17 markets

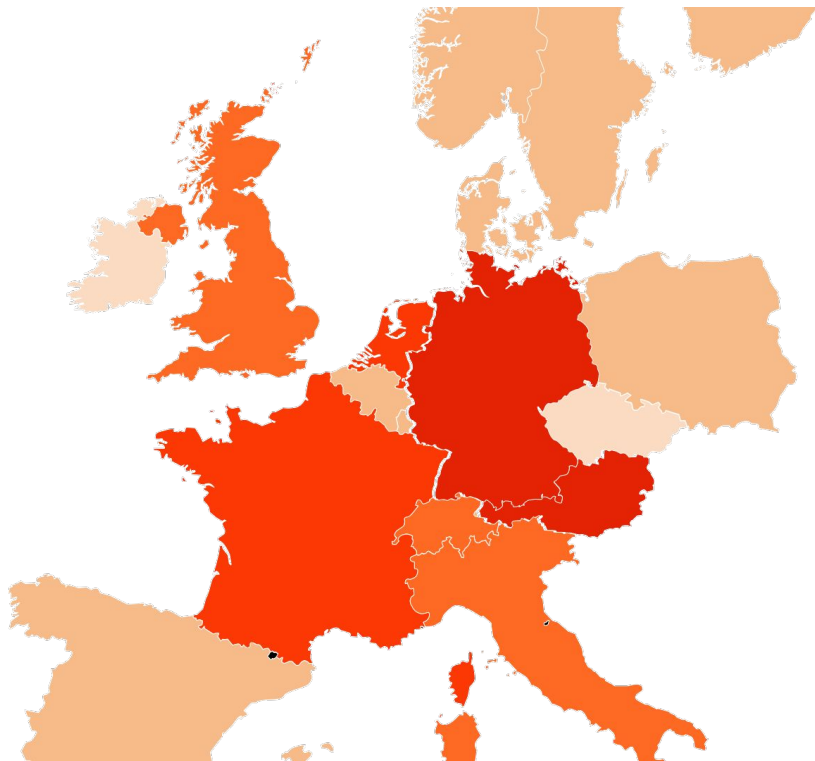
7 fulfillment centers

26 million active customers

5.4 billion € revenue 2018

250 million visits per month

15,000 employees in Europe



SEARCH @ ZALANDO

300k+

Products
per country

45%

Mobile Traffic

~2000

Brands

12K

QPS

~700

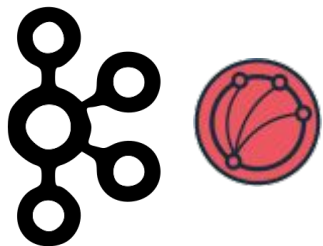
Categories

8K

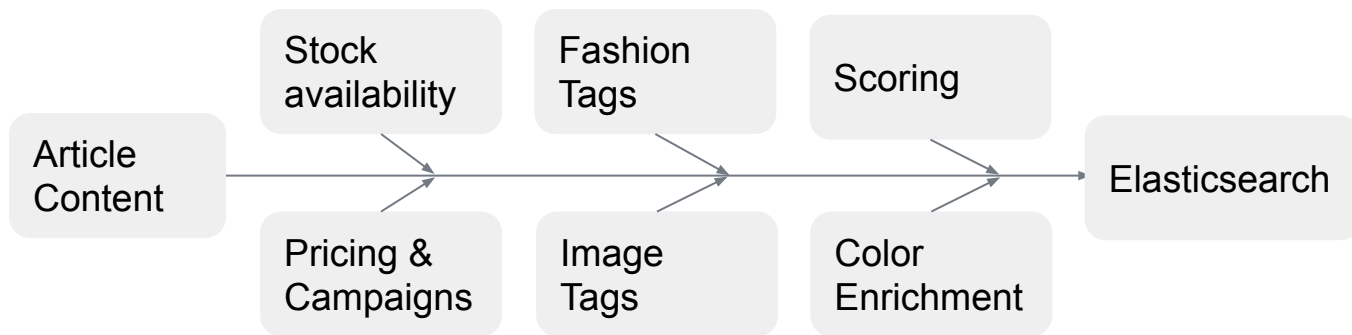
Updates/s



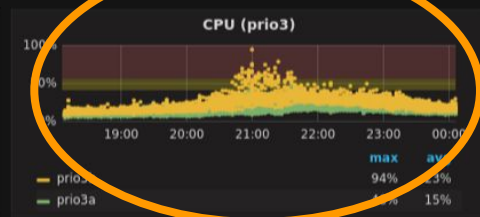
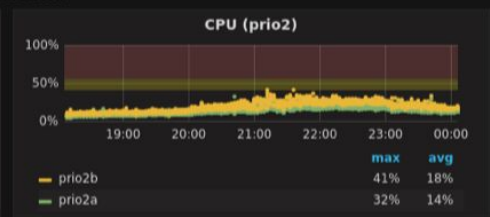
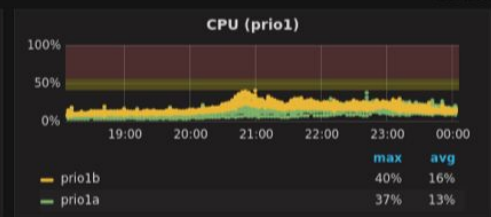
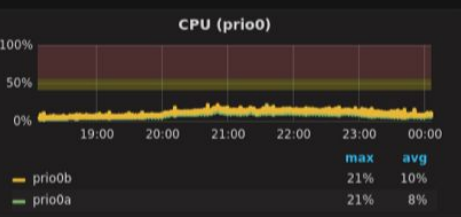
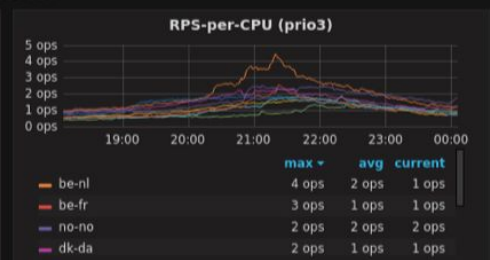
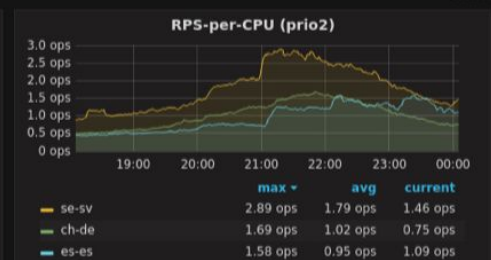
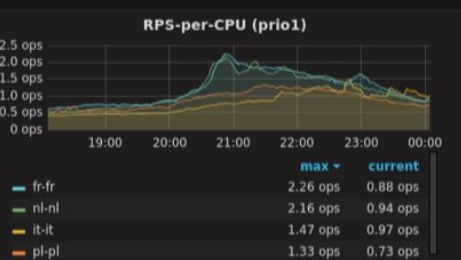
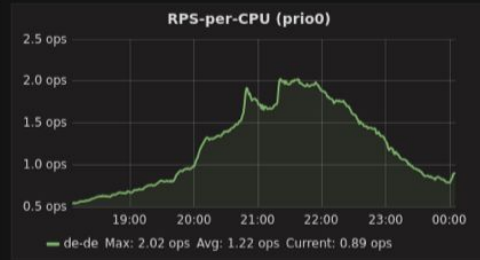
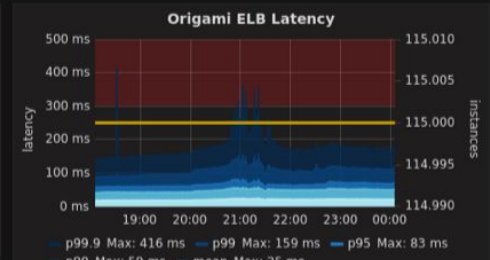
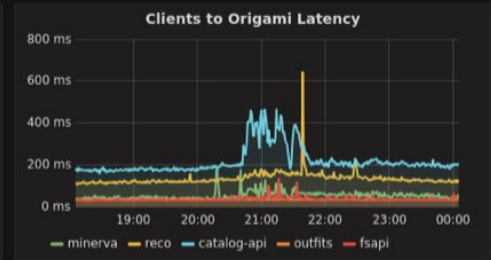
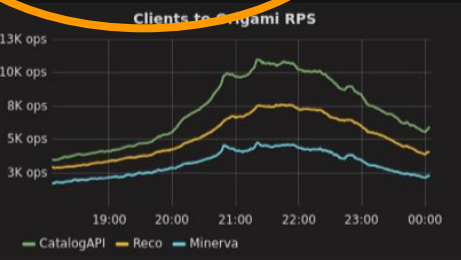
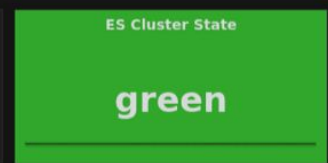
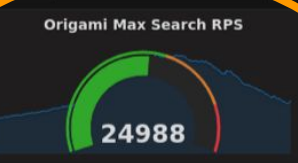
DATA INGESTION



Kafka / Nakadi *



* nakadi.io

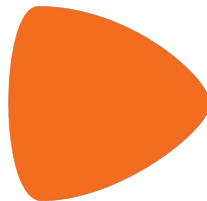


KUBERNETES @ ZALANDO

Default
Deployment
Target

1400~
nodes

Since
Oct 2016



zalando

114
clusters

Node
Autoscaling

From v1.4
to v1.12

KUBERNETES CLUSTER SETUP



Master



Master



Config



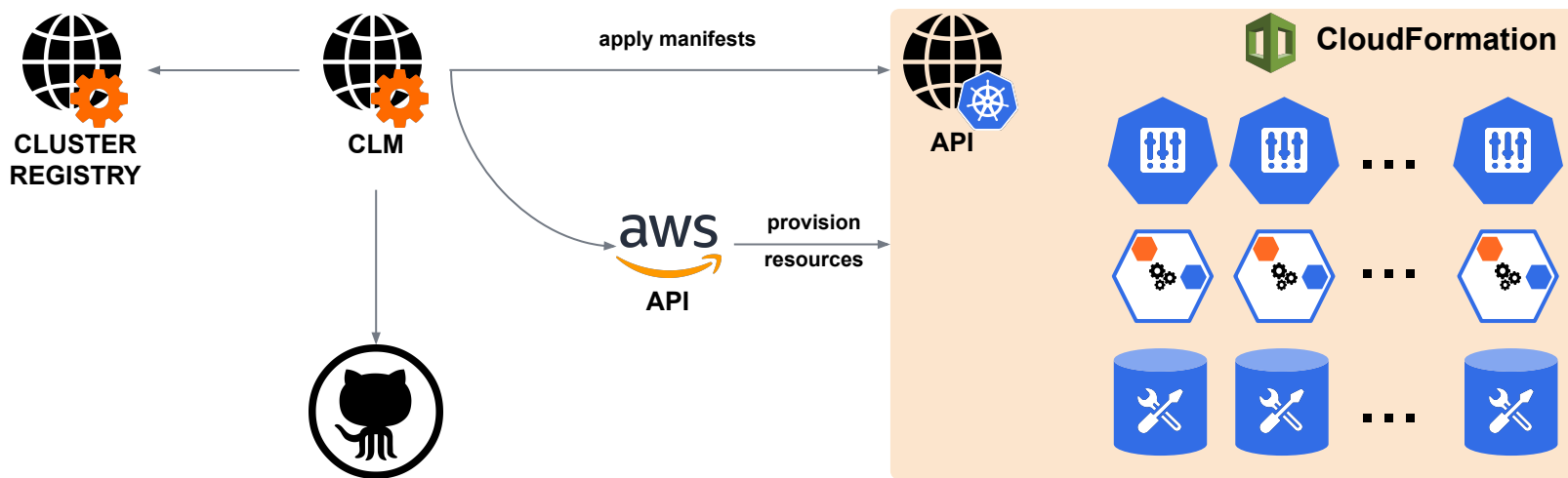
Worker



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CLUSTER PROVISIONING

CLUSTER LIFECYCLE MANAGER (CLM)



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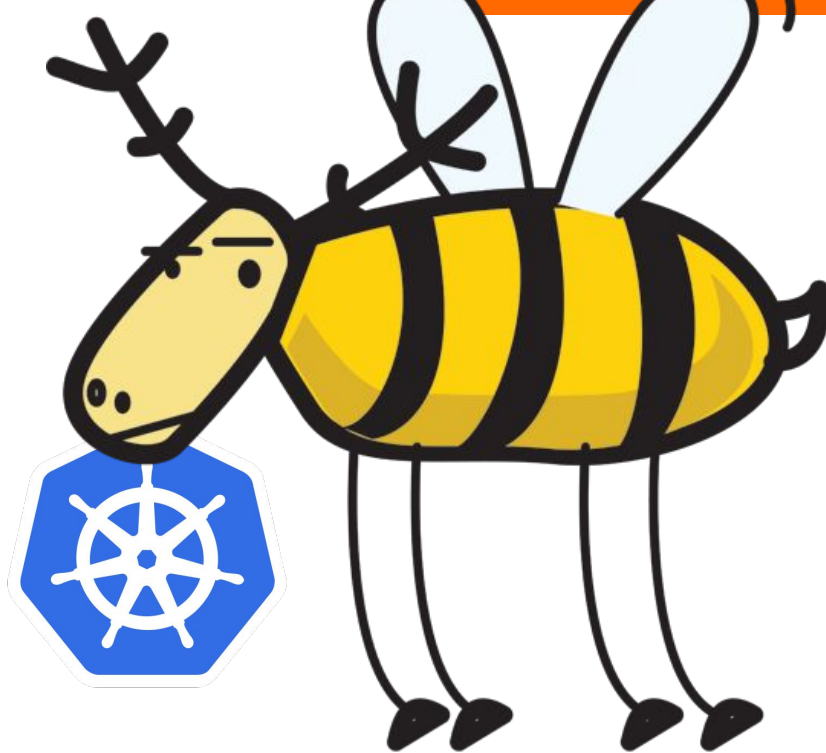
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CLUSTER UPDATE POLICY (SLA)

SLA	Production clusters	Test clusters
Minimum lifetime of a Pod before it's force terminated during updates	3 days	8 hours
Minimum amount of time after a node is selected for termination before the infrastructure starts force terminating Pods	6 hours	2 hours
Interval between force terminations of Pods on the same node	5 minutes	5 minutes
Minimum lifetime of ready Pods in the same PDB as the one considered for force termination	1 hour	1 hour
Minimum lifetime of non-ready Pods in the same PDB as the one considered for force termination	6 hours	1 hour

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Elasticsearch
2.500 vCPUs
1 TB RAM

Elasticsearch in Kubernetes

RUNNING ELASTICSEARCH IN KUBERNETES

1. **Safe automatic updates**
(Including Kubernetes cluster updates)
2. **Advanced auto-scaling for cost efficiency**



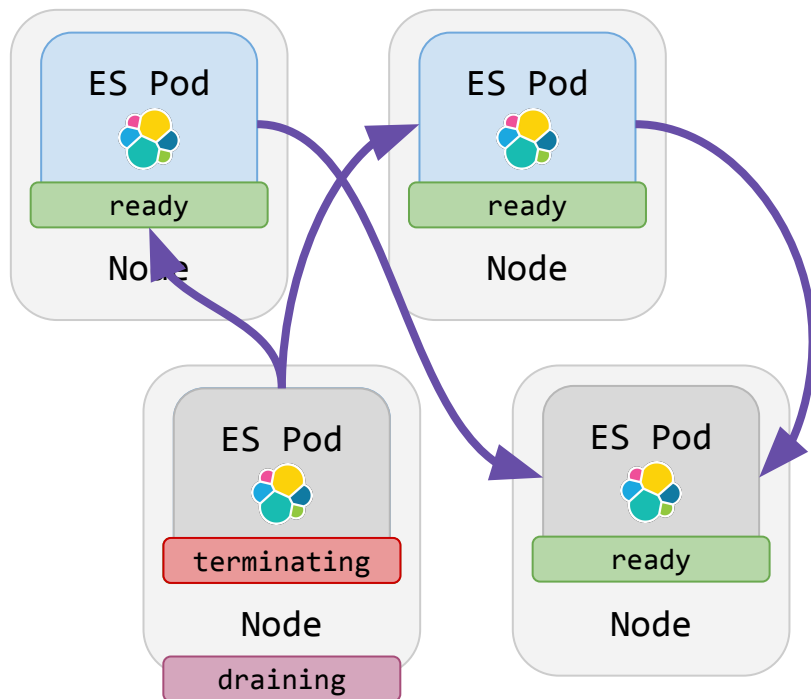
UPDATING ELASTICSEARCH (STATEFULSET)

1) PreStop Hook ([bash script](#))

- Exclude node in ES
- Wait for node to drain (up to 1h)
- Data is moved to existing nodes

2) PostStart Hook ([bash script](#))

- Remove all excludes
- Let ES rebalance from existing nodes

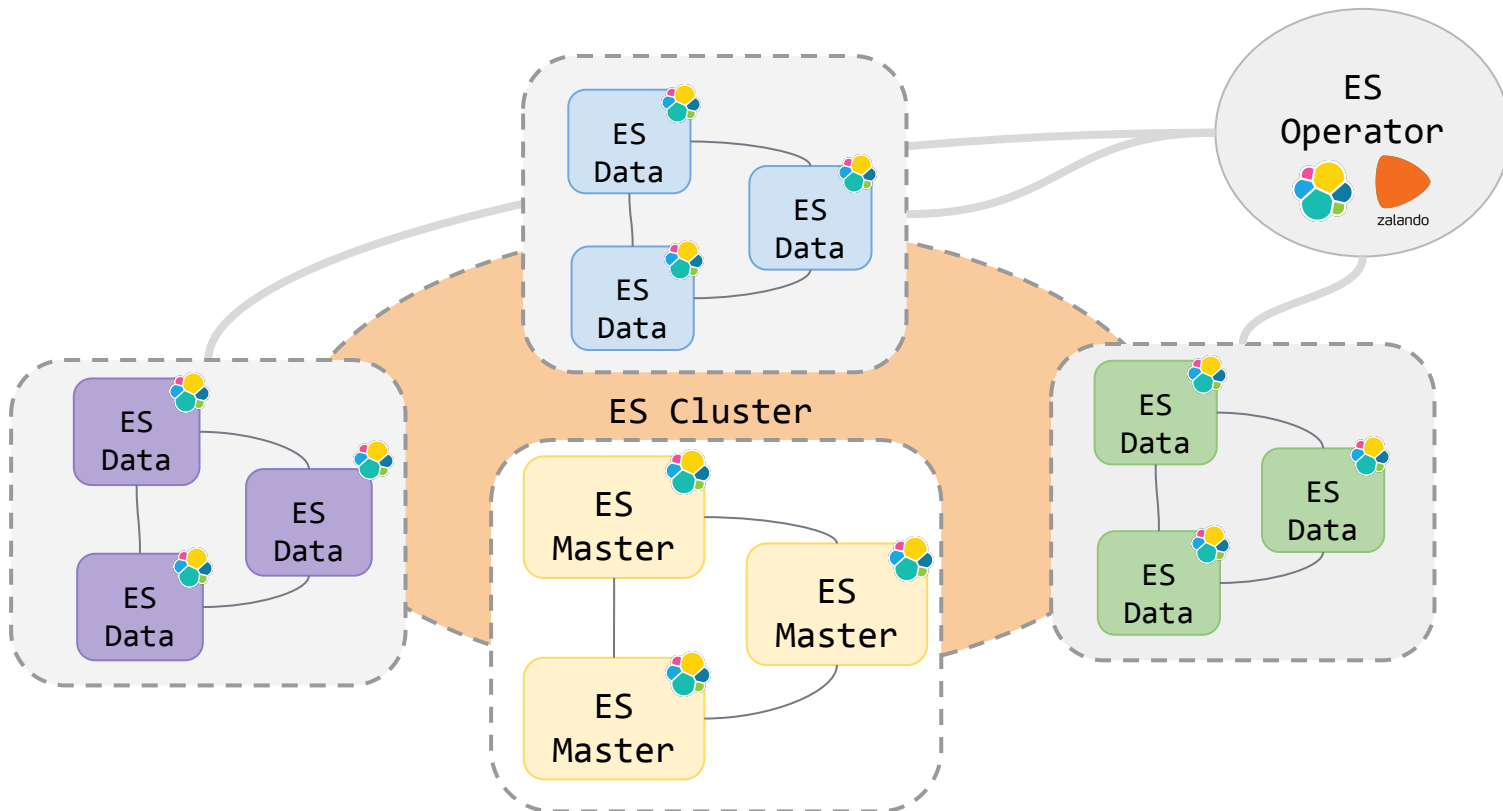


ELASTICSEARCH DATA SETS

```
apiVersion: zalando.org/v1
kind: ElasticsearchDataSet
metadata:
  name: test-cluster
spec:
  scaling:
    {...}
  replicas: 3
  template: # PodTemplate
    {...}
  volumeClaimTemplates:
    {...}
```

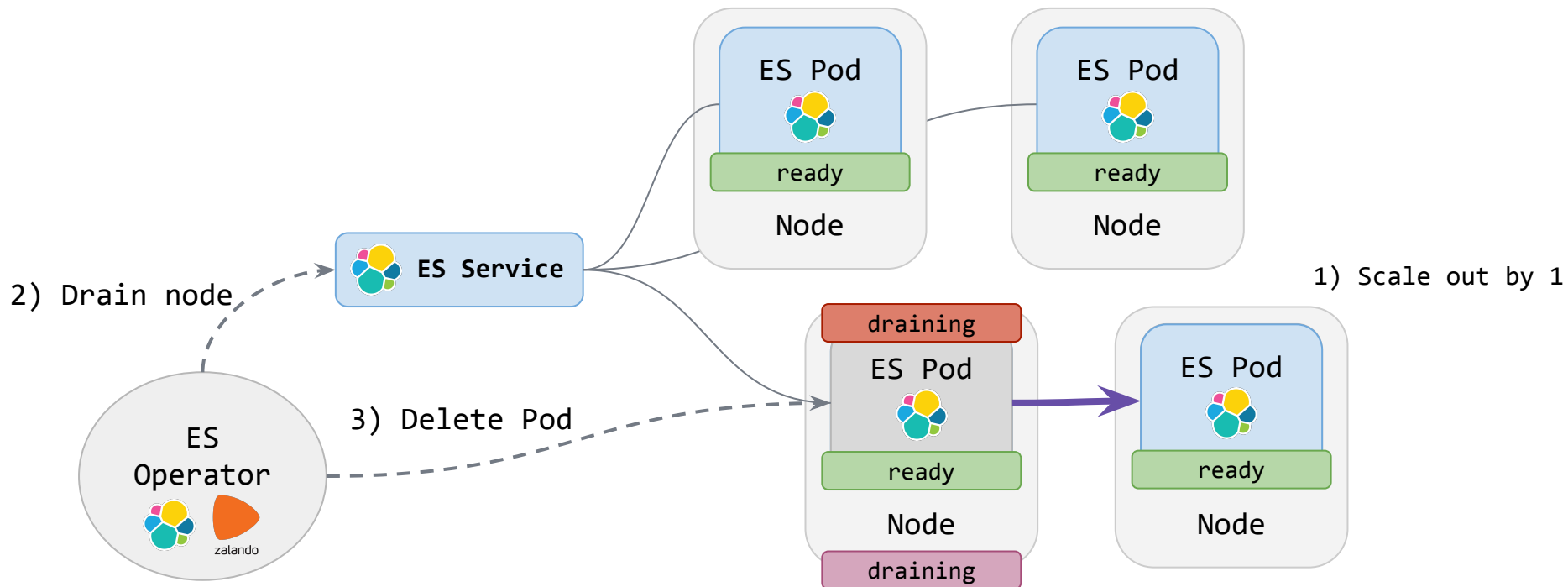
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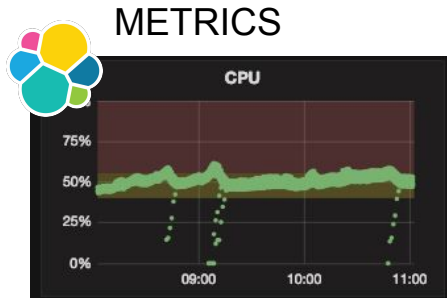
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UPDATING ELASTICSEARCH (OPERATOR)



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SCALING UP ELASTICSEARCH (1)

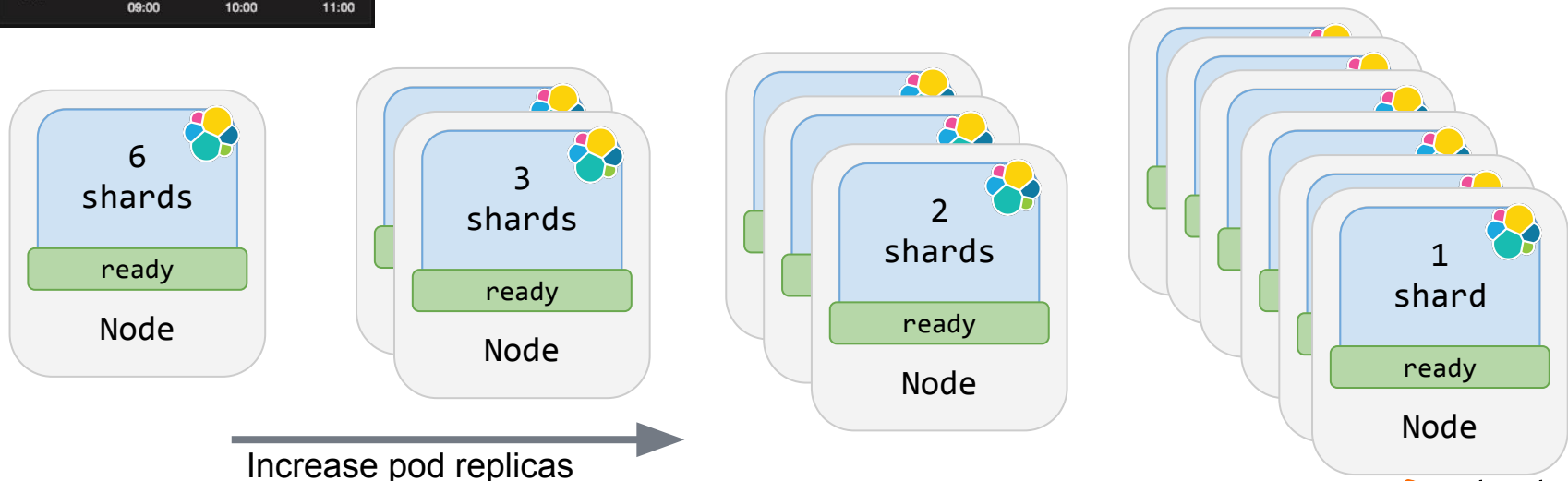


Thresholds

- CPU
- Duration
- Cooldown

Boundaries

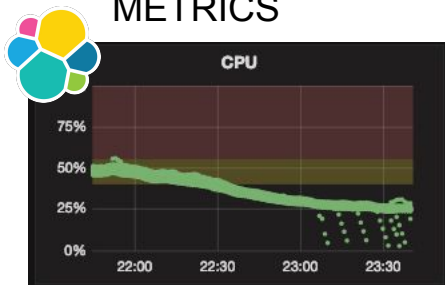
- Max # Pod replicas



SCALING DOWN ELASTICSEARCH

**DON'T OPERATE
WHEN CLUSTER
IS NOT GREEN!**

METRICS

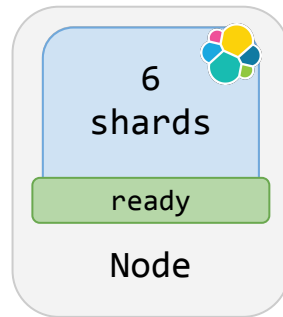
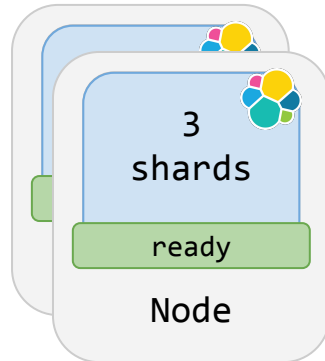
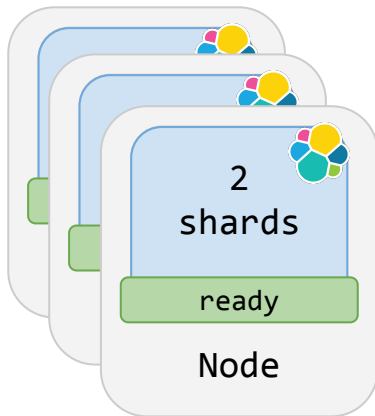
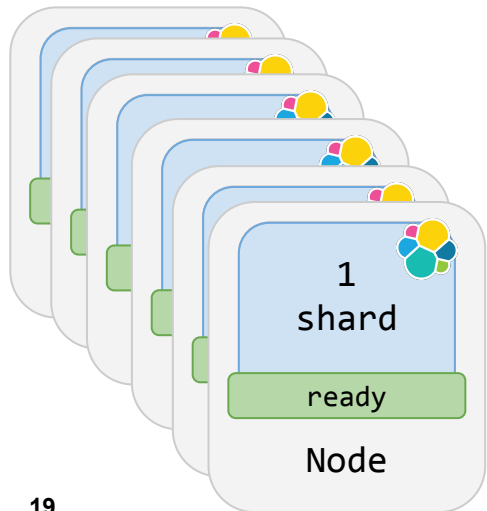


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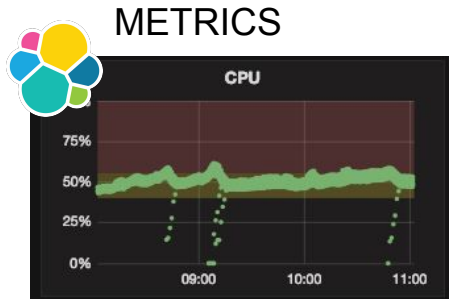
Boundaries

- Min # Replica
- Max # Shards per node
- Max disk usage (%)



Decrease Pod replicas →

SCALING UP ELASTICSEARCH (2)

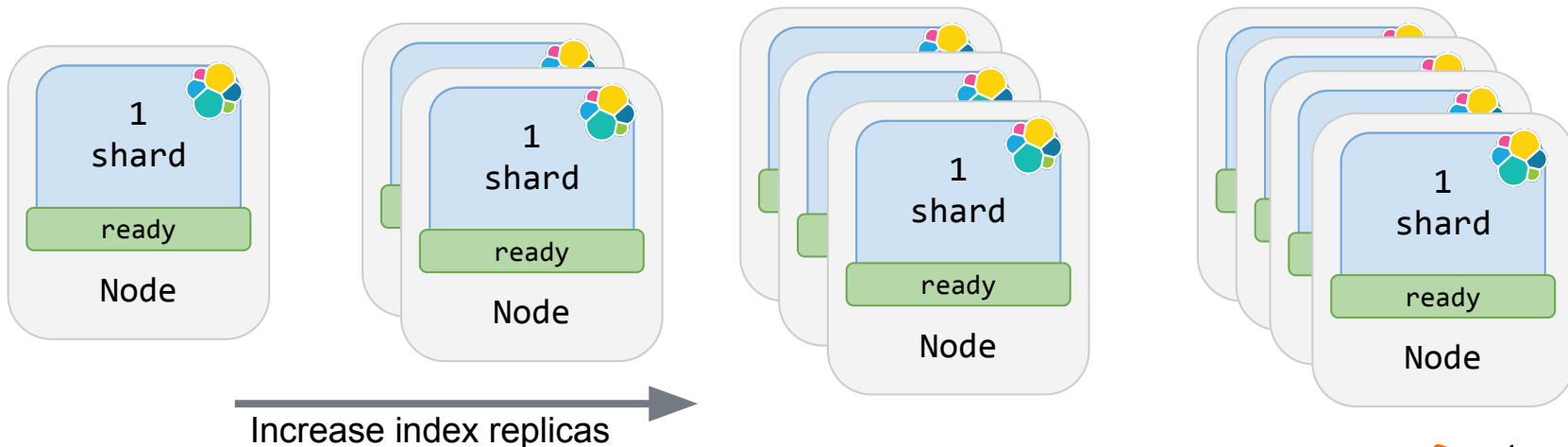


Thresholds

- CPU
- Duration
- Cooldown

Boundaries

- Min # Shards per node
- Max # Pod replicas



DEMO



OPEN SOURCE

ES Operator

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Cluster Lifecycle Manager

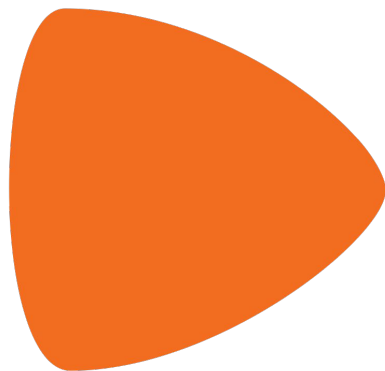
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Kubernetes on AWS

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microXchg demo

github.com/otrosien/microxchg19-demo



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