

# Apache Log Analysis:

## 1. Data Ingestion:

The screenshot shows the Splunk Enterprise Search interface. The search bar contains the query: `source="apache_log_example (1).log" host="Samuel" sourcetype="access_common"`. The results show 1,000 events. The interface includes a timeline visualization at the top, a list of events below, and a sidebar with field selection options.

Time	Event
12/31/23 5:47:14.000 PM	204.193.226.172 - - [01/Jan/2024:01:47:14 +0000] "POST /products.html HTTP/1.1" 200 1758 host = Samuel   source = apache_log_example (1).log   sourcetype = access_common
12/30/23 6:50:32.000 AM	191.47.249.80 - - [30/Dec/2023:14:50:32 +0000] "GET /index.html HTTP/1.1" 200 317 host = Samuel   source = apache_log_example (1).log   sourcetype = access_common
12/30/23 3:55:15.000 AM	105.254.150.212 - - [30/Dec/2023:11:55:15 +0000] "GET /contact.html HTTP/1.1" 200 1826 host = Samuel   source = apache_log_example (1).log   sourcetype = access_common
12/29/23 10:35:44.000 PM	124.52.230.61 - - [30/Dec/2023:06:35:44 +0000] "GET /products.html HTTP/1.1" 200 1866 host = Samuel   source = apache_log_example (1).log   sourcetype = access_common
12/29/23 9:56:38.000 PM	56.75.203.39 - - [30/Dec/2023:05:56:38 +0000] "POST /about.html HTTP/1.1" 200 1080 host = Samuel   source = apache_log_example (1).log   sourcetype = access_common

## 2. Searching:

The screenshot shows the Splunk Enterprise Search interface with a refined search query: `source="apache_log_example (1).log" host="Samuel" sourcetype="access_common" | search method="GET"`. The results show 511 events. The interface includes a timeline visualization at the top, a list of events below, and a sidebar with field selection options.

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12/29/23 10:35:44.000 PM	124.52.230.61 - - [30/Dec/2023:06:35:44 +0000] "GET /products.html HTTP/1.1" 200 1866 host = Samuel   source = apache_log_example (1).log   sourcetype = access_common
12/29/23 9:06:32.000 AM	106.246.37.102 - - [29/Dec/2023:17:06:32 +0000] "GET /products.html HTTP/1.1" 404 830 host = Samuel   source = apache_log_example (1).log   sourcetype = access_common
12/28/23 1:55:03.000 AM	209.8.96.169 - - [28/Dec/2023:09:55:03 +0000] "GET /index.html HTTP/1.1" 500 910 host = Samuel   source = apache_log_example (1).log   sourcetype = access_common

- Total 511 GET request were discovered in the apache logs using query:  
**`source="apache_log_example (1).log" host="Samuel" sourcetype="access_common" | search method="GET"`**

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source="apache\_log\_example (1).log" | rex field=\_raw "(?<ip>\S+) - - \[(?<timestamp>[^\]]+\)] \"(?<method>\S+) (?<url>\S+) (?<protocol>\S+)\\" (?<status>\d+) (?<size>\d+)" | stats count by url | sort - count

✓ 1,000 events (before 3/4/24 1:03:58.000 AM) No Event Sampling ▾ Job ▾ || ▮ ↗ ⚙ ⬇ ▢ Verbose Mode ▾

Events (1,000) Patterns **Statistics (5)** Visualization

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url ↕	count ↕
/about.html	221
/login.html	210
/products.html	207
/index.html	199
/contact.html	163

In the apache logs the `/about.html` is most requested URL with over 221 requests. This was discovered using the search query:

```
source="apache_log_example (1).log" host="Samuel"
sourcetype="access_common" | rex field=_raw "(?<ip>\S+) - - \[(?<timestamp>[^\]]+\)] \"(?<method>\S+) (?<url>\S+) (?<protocol>\S+)\\" (?<status>\d+) (?<size>\d+)" | stats count by url | sort - count
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✓ 1,000 events (before 3/4/24 1:08:17.000 AM) No Event Sampling ▾ Job ▾ || ▮ ↗ ⚙ ⬇ ▢ Verbose Mode ▾

Events (1,000) Patterns **Statistics (4)** Visualization

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status ↕	count ↕
500	265
200	261
404	243
302	231

The most common response code in the apache logs is the response code 500 which indicates internal server error which happened total 265 times for the given logs.

After the response code 500, the most common response code is 200 followed by 404 and 302.

In order to search for most common request code use the following query:

```
- source="apache_log_example (1).log" | rex field=_raw "(?<ip>\S+) - - \[(?<timestamp>[^\]]+\)] \"(?<method>\S+) (?<url>\S+)\\" (?<status>\d+) (?<size>\d+)" | stats count by method | sort - count
```

**(?<protocol>\S+)\\" (?<status>\d+) (?<size>\d+)\\" | stats count by status | sort - count**

- Where, rex indicated the regular expression of the URL, stats counts how many times a given status code is encountered in the logs, and 'sort' helps sort the counts of the response code

### 3. Field Extraction:

Field	# of Values	Event Coverage	Type
host	1	100%	String
source	1	100%	String
sourcetype	1	100%	String
bytes	>100	100%	Number
clientip	>100	100%	String
date_hour	24	100%	Number
date_mday	31	100%	Number
date_minute	60	100%	Number
date_month	12	100%	String
date_second	60	100%	Number
date_wday	7	100%	String
date_year	2	100%	Number
date_zone	1	100%	Number
file	5	100%	String
ident	1	100%	String
index	1	100%	String
linecount	1	100%	Number

### 4. Finding errors:

**New Search**

source="apache\_log\_example (1).log" host="Samuel" message="error\*" | stats count

0 events (before 3/19/24 2:53:37:000 PM) No Event Sampling

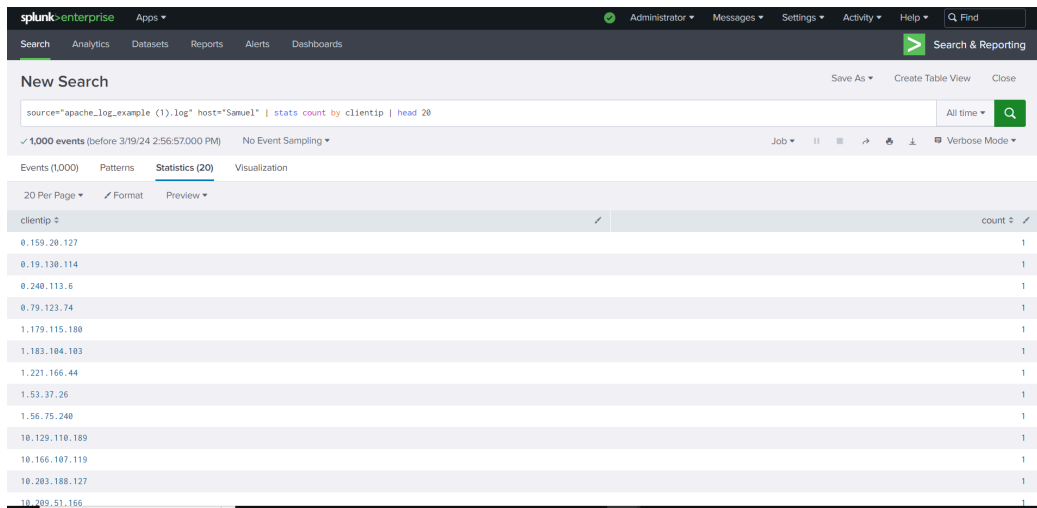
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No results found.

- ***source="apache\_log\_example (1).log" host="Samuel" message=\*error\****
- The search for errors in the specified log file did not yield any results, indicating no errors were found in the logs for the specified host.

## 5. Analysing Client IP:

- Using command ***source="apache\_log\_example (1).log" host="Samuel" | stats count by clientip | head 20*** no IP addresses were discovered that had frequent access attempts

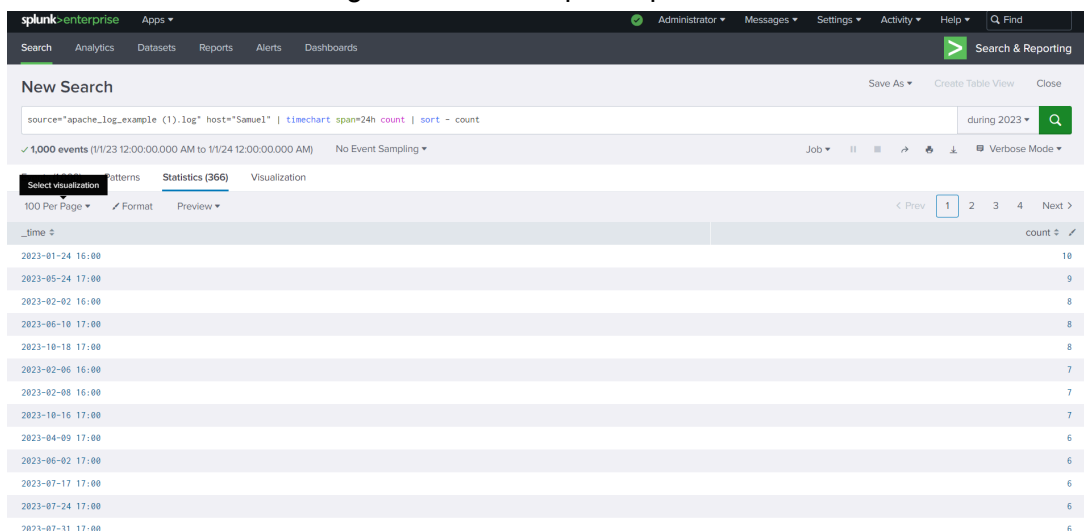


The screenshot shows the Splunk Enterprise Search & Reporting interface. The search bar contains the query: `source="apache_log_example (1).log" host="Samuel" | stats count by clientip | head 20`. The results are displayed in a table with 20 rows, each showing a client IP address and its corresponding count (all counts are 1).

clientip	count
0.159.20.127	1
0.19.130.114	1
0.240.113.6	1
0.79.123.74	1
1.179.115.180	1
1.183.104.103	1
1.221.166.44	1
1.53.37.26	1
1.56.75.240	1
10.129.110.189	1
10.166.107.119	1
10.203.188.127	1
18.209.51.166	1

## 6. Time Analysis:

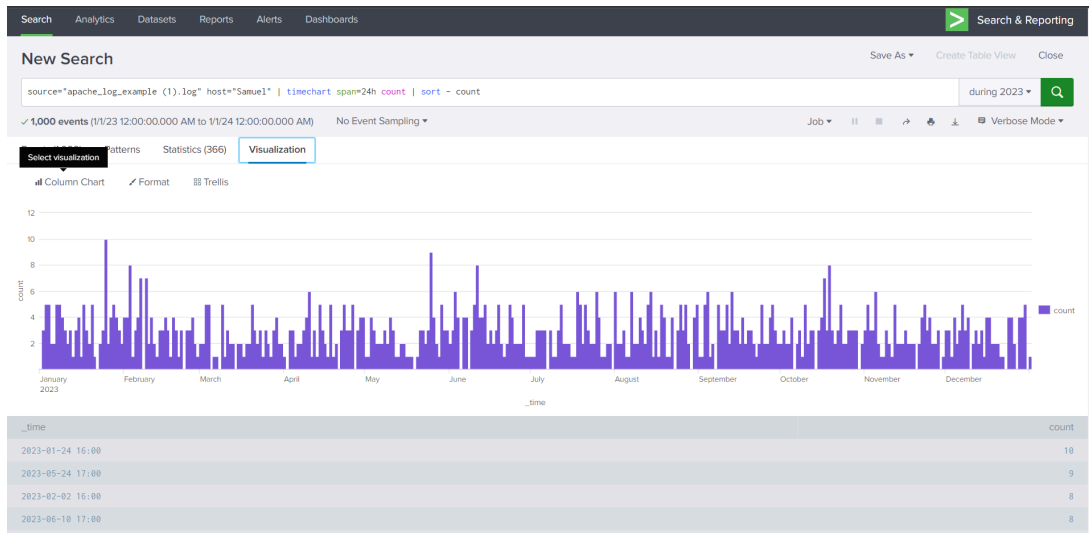
- Conducting time analysis of the request with a span of 24 hours using search query: ***source="apache\_log\_example (1).log" host="Samuel" | timechart span=24h count | sort - count***
- Search results in increasing order of the requests per 24 hours



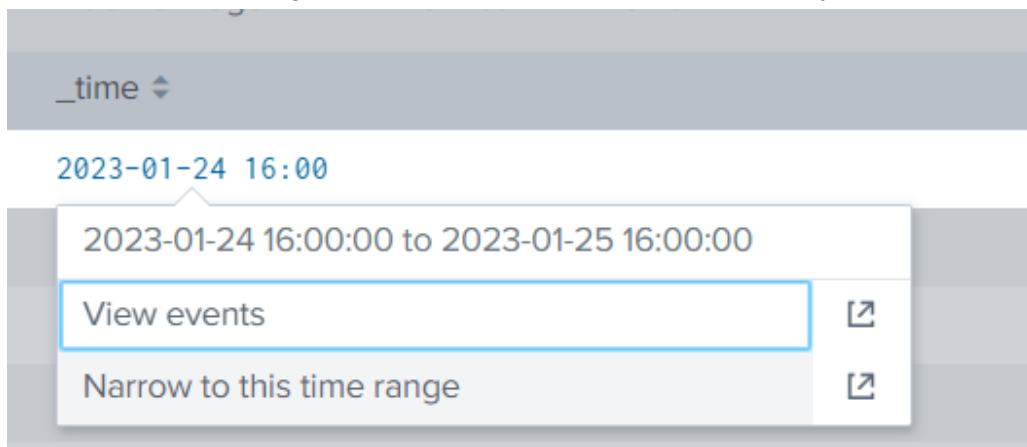
The screenshot shows the Splunk Enterprise Search & Reporting interface. The search bar contains the query: `source="apache_log_example (1).log" host="Samuel" | timechart span=24h count | sort - count`. The results are displayed in a table with 16 rows, each showing a time range and its corresponding count.

_time	count
2023-01-24 16:00	10
2023-05-24 17:00	9
2023-02-02 16:00	8
2023-06-10 17:00	8
2023-10-18 17:00	8
2023-02-06 16:00	7
2023-02-08 16:00	7
2023-10-16 17:00	7
2023-04-09 17:00	6
2023-06-02 17:00	6
2023-07-17 17:00	6
2023-07-24 17:00	6
2023-07-31 17:00	6

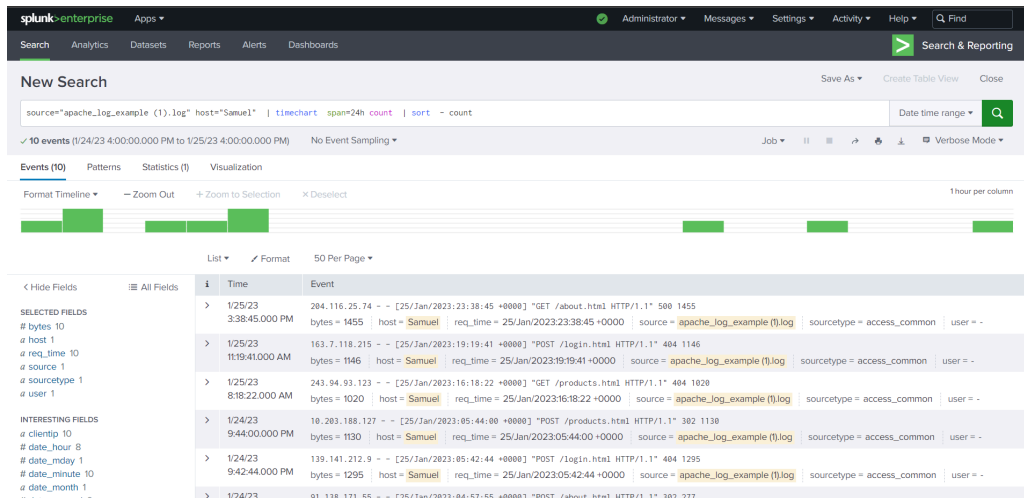
- Visualizing the search results:



- 2023-01-24 has the highest number of requests for further analysis



- Further Analyzing the events from 2023-01-24



- Visualizing the events using time chart from the day 24th Jan 2023 with span of 30m

