System Deployment & Benchmarking

Monitoring

• A monitor observes the activity of a system

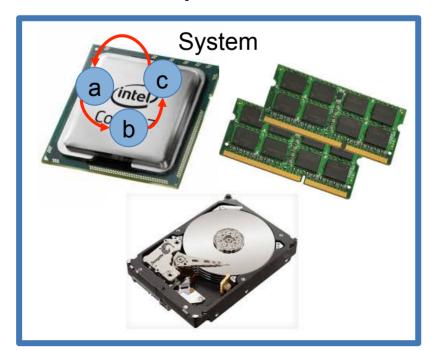


Monitor



Monitoring concepts

- A system contains physical and logical resources with <u>state</u>
- State changes as <u>events</u>
- Trace is log of events:
 - Time stamp, variable detail...







Trace

10:00 – a>b 10:01 – b>c ...

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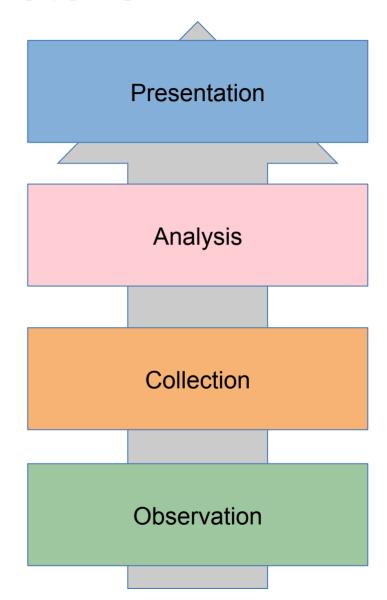
- Domain is the set of activities observed
- The detail varies:
 - In time according to the input rate
 - In scape, according to the resolution
- A monitor imposes <u>overhead</u>, changing the observed activity

Monitor classifcation

- Event-driven vs sampling: what triggers observation
- On-line vs batch: when observation is available
- Hardware vs software
- Centralized vs distributed

Monitor architecture

- Presentation produces reports, alarms, ...
- Analysis layer filters, relates and summarizes data
- Collection and normalization of data
- Observation of raw events in systems

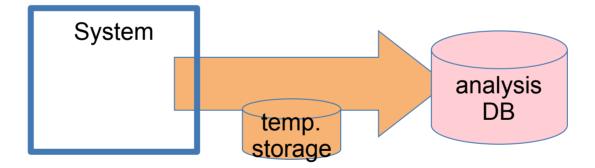


Observation

- Passive observation or spying:
 - Network sniffer
- Instrumentation:
 - Counters built in the system (hardware and OS)
 - Log generation
- Probing with additional requests:
 - Ping

Collection

- Push data vs pull data
 - Dependes on configuration, legacy systems, ...
- Reliability and persistence



- Time synchronization in distributed systems
- Examples:
 - collectd, Beats, logstash

Analysis

- Data processing task:
 - Time series
 - Searching
- "Big data" in large infrastructures
- Examples:
 - Elasticsearch, Graphite

Presentation

Goals:

- Performance metrics
- Error detection
- Configuration tracking

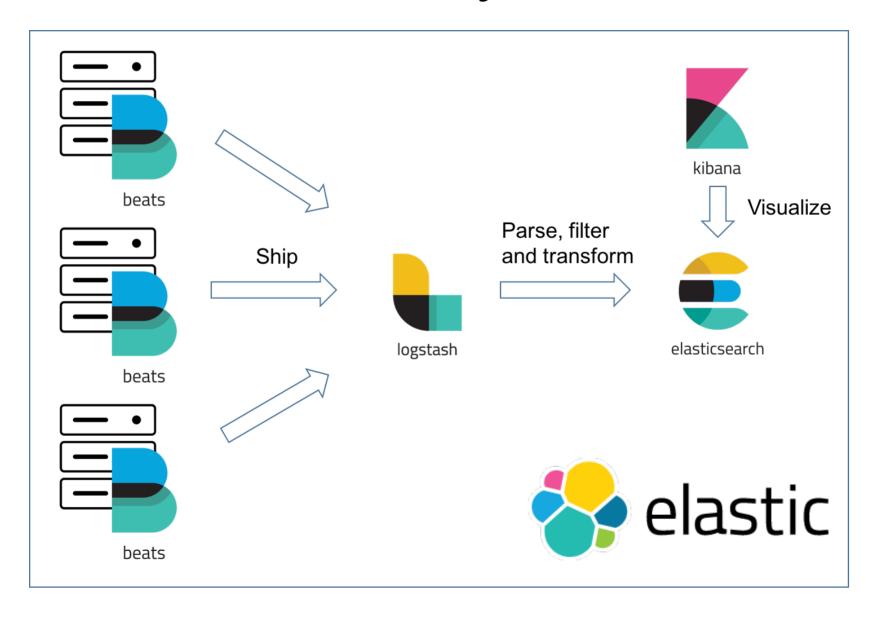
Results:

- Alert generation
- Graphical presentation

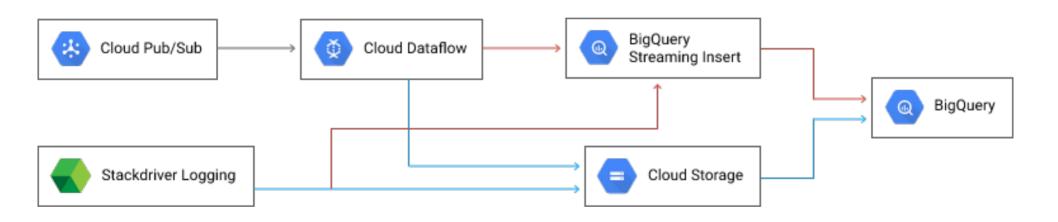
Examples:

- Kibana, Grafana

Case study: ELK

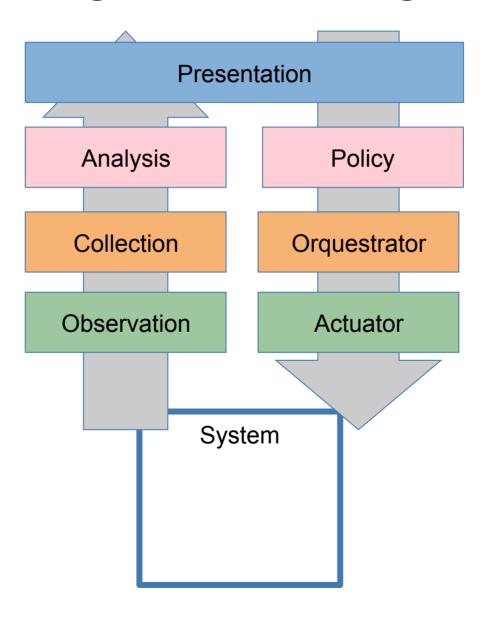


Case study: Stackdriver





Monitoring and Management



More...

- R. Jain, "The Art of Computer Systems Performance Analysis." Wiley, 1991.
 - Chapters 7 and 8

