

The Elastic Stack

Log management and analysis

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About this presentation

- What is log analysis ?
- Why do I need it ?
- The Elastic stack
- Practical example
- Alternatives



About me

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Log Analysis

127.0.0.1 - - [05/Oct/2016:15:30:18 +0200] "GET /cgi-bin/translate_key.cgi?scout_shared_key=7a6a63848194
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Problem statement

- Many deamons
- Large stacks
- Distributed
- Huge amounts of data
- Hard to read



Problem statement (2)

- Central logging
- Safe, Tamper-resistant
- Dependency, Causality
- One-offs vs. Trends
- Text vs. Graphic

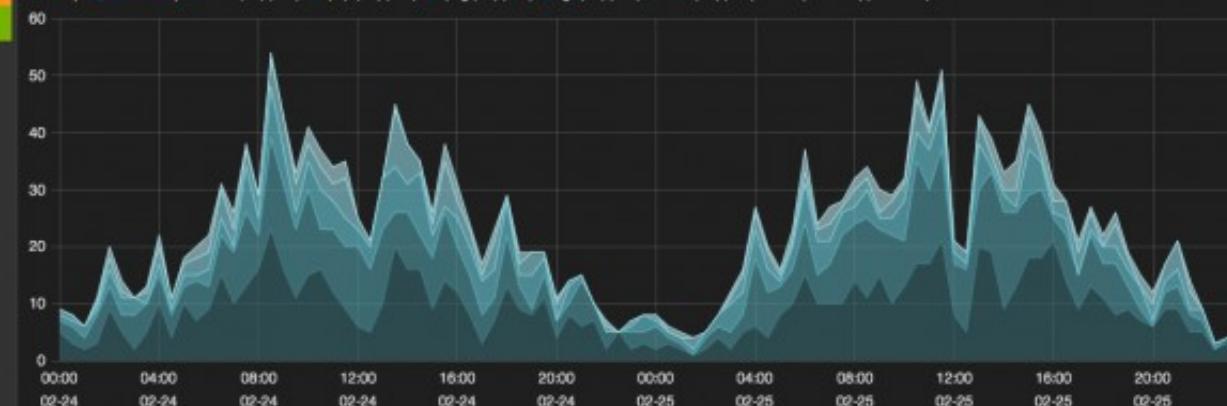
QUERY

@bytes:[0 TO 4000000] AND @tags:success

FILTERING

EVENTS OVER TIME

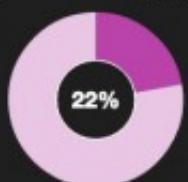
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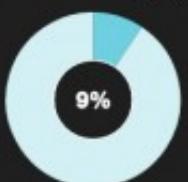
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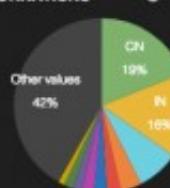
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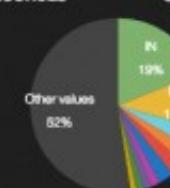
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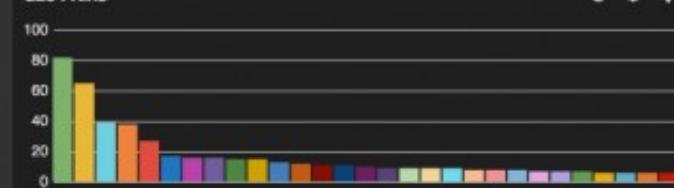
TOP DESTINATIONS



TOP SOURCES



GEO PAIRS



ALL EVENTS

0 to 100 of 500 available for paging

Fields

	@tags	geo_srcdst	extension	clientip	bytes	id	phpmemory	response
All (21) / Current (28)	success,security	MYVN	html	167.12.22.189	8540	1066		200
Type to filter...	success,info	ITMM	png	164.87.170.73	2045	1903		200
<input type="checkbox"/> @message	success,info	ARHS	html	222.23.102.238	1801	1133		200
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> @tags	success,info	INDZ	html	138.226.66.81	7029	1801		200

The Elastic stack

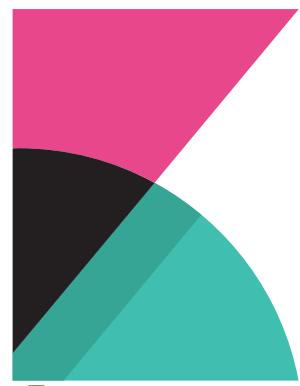
(formerly: ELK stack)



Elasticsearch



Logstash



Kibana





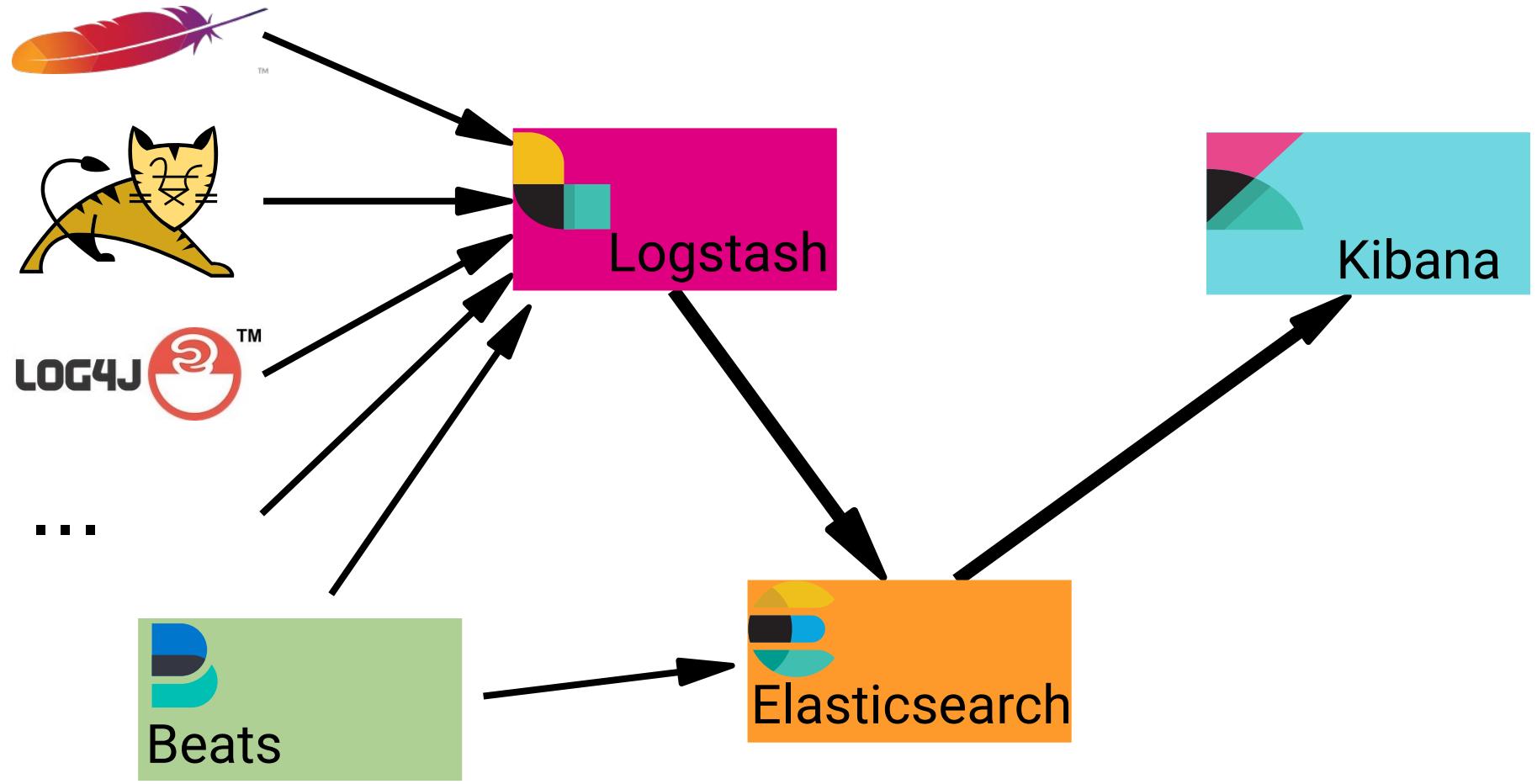
Database



Log server / parser

UI





Beats

Beats

- Formerly ‘logstash-forwarder’
- Unobtrusive (log) file forwarder
 - ‘tail -f | tee’
- Written in Go, fast
- Simple configuration

Beats

- Filebeat
- Metricbeat
- Packetbeat
- Heartbeat
- Auditbeat
- Winlogbeat
- Functionbeat

Example: Apache + Filebeat

```
# /usr/filebeat/filebeat.yml

filebeat:
  prospectors:
    -
      paths:
        - /var/log/apache2/access_log
      encoding: utf-8
      input_type: log
      document_type: access_log
    ...
  output:
    logstash:
      hosts: ["logstash.mgr.suse.de:5045"]
```

Elasticsearch

Elasticsearch

- Fulltext database (Apache Lucene)
- Key-Value pairs
- Scalable

Terminology

- Index: Database
- Mapping: Schema
- Document: Record
- Field: key-value pair

Elasticsearch – raw data

```
message: 2016/06/27 10:35:00 +02:00 16079 0.0.0.0: osad/jabber_lib._orig_dispatch(<jabber.xmls
tream.Node instance at 0x16c95a8>,) @version: 1 @timestamp: June 27th 2016, 10:35:00.000
type: osa-dispatcher tags: elasticsupport, osa-dispatcher pid: 16,079 clientip: 0.0.0.0
module: osad function: jabber_lib._orig_dispatch _id: AVYDVrc9PQbCb400Xg0k _type: osa-dispa
tcher _index: laszis100_160627_1033 _score:


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message: 10.10.191.100 -- [27/Jun/2016:10:35:00 +0200] "POST /cobbler_api HTTP/1.1" 200 129
 "-" "Java/1.7.0" @version: 1 @timestamp: June 27th 2016, 10:35:00.000 type: access_log tags:
elasticsupport, access_log clientip: 10.10.191.100 ident: - auth: - verb: POST request: /c
obbler_api httpversion: 1.1 response: 200 bytes: 129 referer: "-" agent: "Java/1.7.0" _id
VYDNckpPQbCb4000wxX _type: access_log _index: laszis100_160627_1033 _score:
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Elasticsearch – Kibana fields

```
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```

Elasticsearch – internal fields

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```

Logstash

Logstash - Overview

- Logserver
 - Scalable
 - Time-based events
 - JRuby
-
- Input: Text or JSON
 - Filter: Parse and manipulate
 - Output: Elasticsearch or other



Logstash - input.conf

```
input {  
    stdin {}  
}
```

Logstash - input.conf

```
input {  
    tcp {  
        port => 9000  
        type => "access_log"  
    }  
    tcp {  
        port => 9001  
        type => "error_log"  
        tags => ["tag1", "tag2"]  
    }  
    ...  
}
```

Logstash Grok Patterns

Logstash - filter.conf

```
# osa-dispatcher
# 2015/06/12 11:39:04 +02:00 14117 0.0.0.0: osad/jabber_lib.main('ERROR', ...)
filter {
  if ([type] == "osa-dispatcher") {
    grok {
      match => {
        "message" => "\d\d\d\d/\d\d/\d\d\s\d:\d\d:\d\d\s[+-]\d\d:\d\d:timestamp ..."
      }
    }
  }
}
```

Logstash - filter.pattern

```
# osa-dispatcher
# 2015/06/12 11:39:04 +02:00 14117 0.0.0.0: osad/jabber_lib.main('ERROR',...)
...
TIMESTAMP \d\d\d\d\ /\d\d\ /\d\d\s\d\d:\d\d:\d\d\s[+-]\d\d:\d\d
PID [\d]+
FUNCTION [\w_\.]+
ARGS \(([^\)]+\)
```

Logstash - filter.conf

```
filter {  
    if ([type] == "osa-dispatcher") {  
        grok {  
            match => {  
                "message" => "%{TIMESTAMP:timestamp} %{PID:pid:int} %{IPV4:clientip}: ..."  
            }  
        }  
    }  
}
```

Logstash - output.conf

```
output {  
    stdout { codec => rubydebug }  
}
```

Logstash - output.conf

```
output {  
    elasticsearch {  
        hosts => ["localhost:9200"]  
    }  
}
```

Logstash - Start

```
# ls  
filter.conf  input.conf  osa-  
dispatcher.pattern  output.conf  
rhn_web_api.pattern
```

```
# logstash -f ./*.conf --auto-reload
```

Kibana

Kibana - Overview

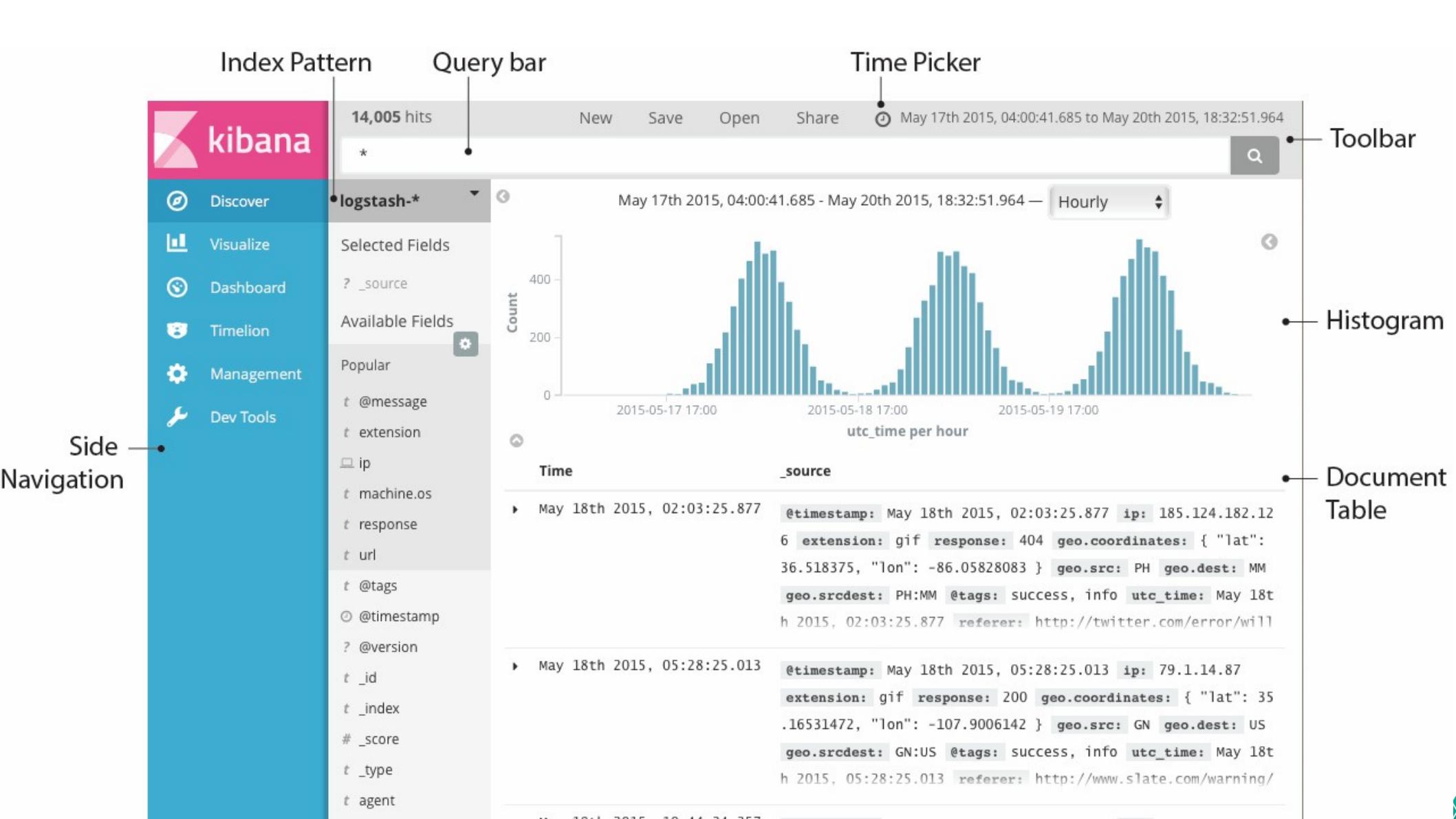
- Web based visualization frontend for Elasticsearch
 - Time-based events
 - Comfortable query interface
 - Dashboard management
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- Settings
 - Discover
 - Visualize
 - Dashboard

Kibana - Settings

- Select index pattern
 - wildcards possible
- Time based ?
 - Time-field name

Loads mapping

- field names
- field types
- analyzed ?

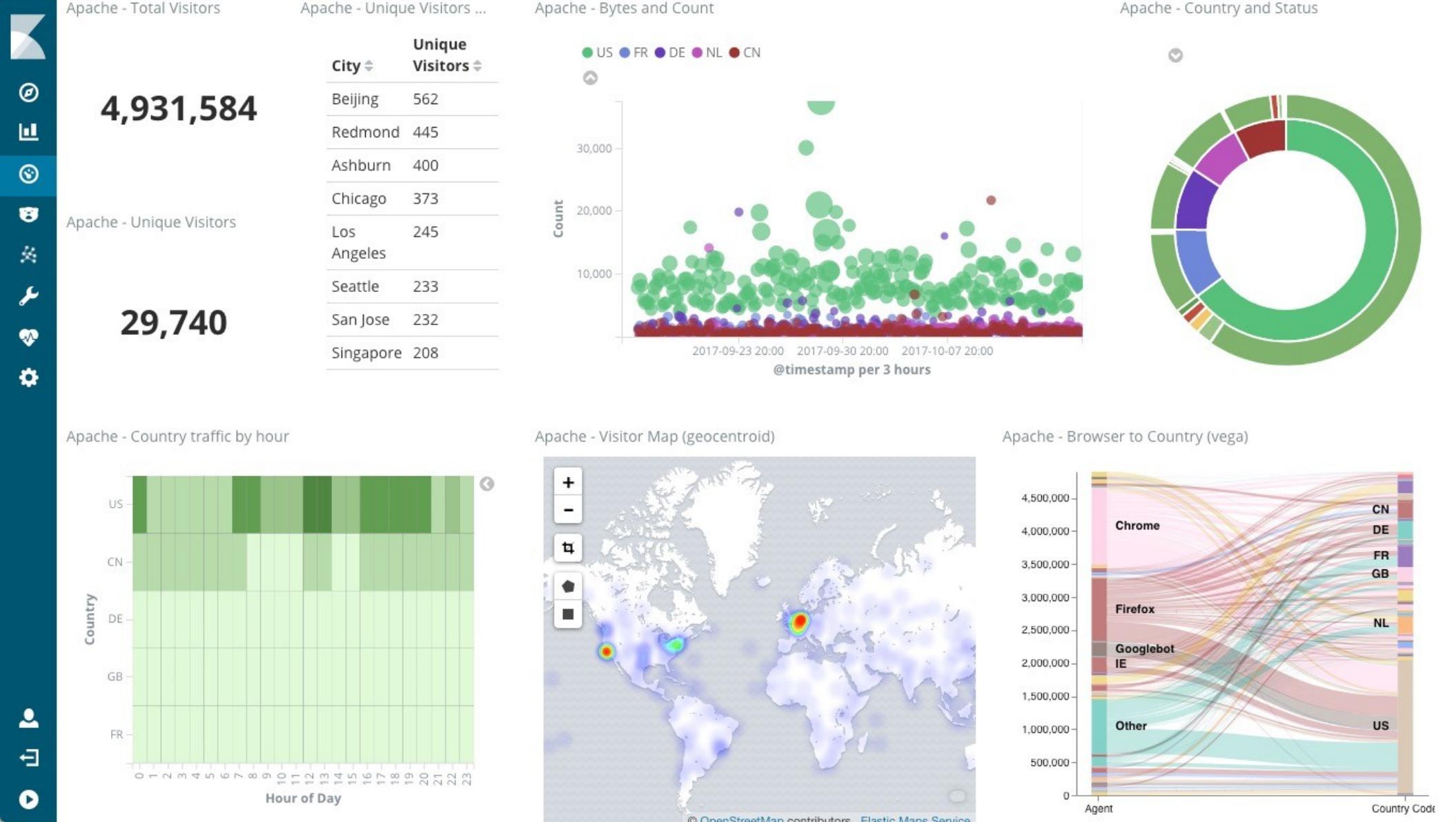


Kibana - Discover

- No results found ?
 - Expand your time range
- Explore fields
 - Include/Exclude
- Create query
- Save search
- Visualize !

Kibana - Visualize

- Create new
 - Select visualization type
- New/Saved search
- Graph-specific parameters



Kibana - Dashboard

- Visualize Elasticsearch fields
- Collection of visualization tiles
- Table, Graph, Map, ...
- Can be saved/shared

Help !

Help !

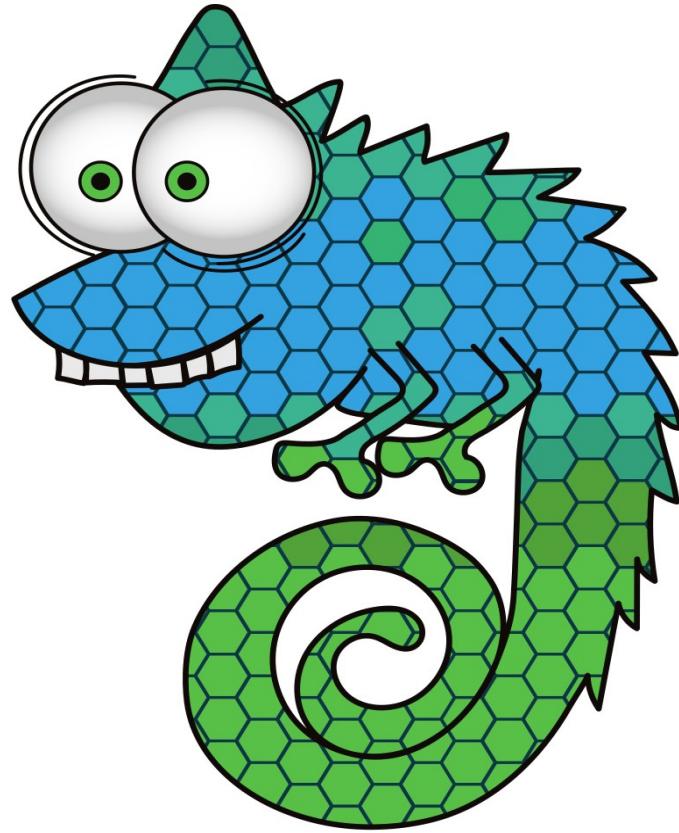
- <https://github.com/elastic> is **very** active
- Packaging is complex
- Java, JRuby, Go, JavaScript ... oh my !

security:logging on build.opensuse.org

Other resources

- <https://github.com/SUSE/log-analysis>
- Dockerfiles
- Salt states
- Grok patterns

Contributions welcome !



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