

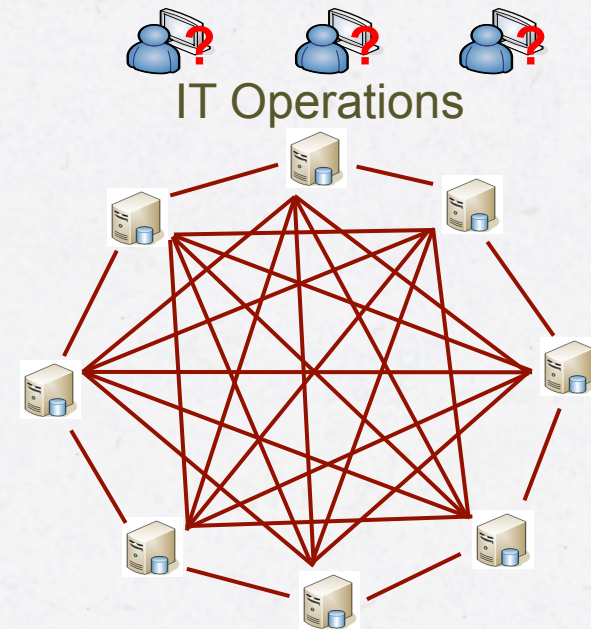
# ELASTICSEARCH | LOGSTASH | KIBANA

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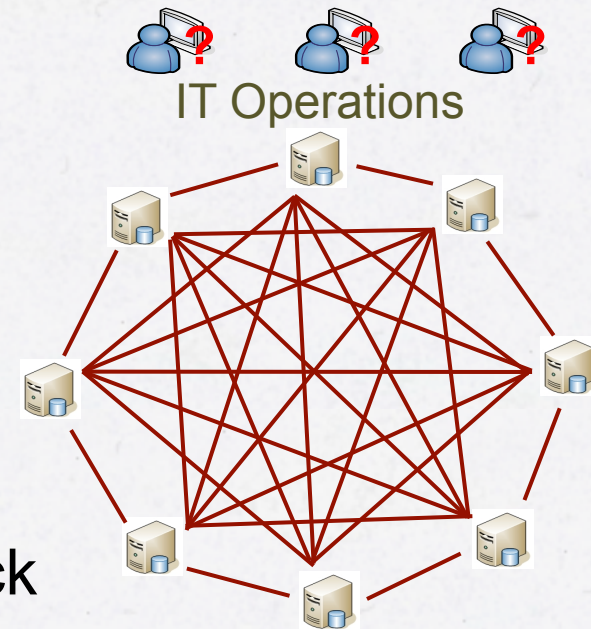
## PROBLEM

- Many, IT organizations don't have enough insight on what's happening in the black box.
- At the same time, as major IT breakdowns/incidents often is triggered by an unexpected combination of events that no one can really predict, or even thought of as a possible risk factor.
- The root cause analysis tends often to be time consuming...
- Difficult being proactive and analyzing trends...



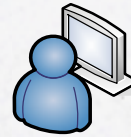
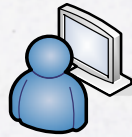
## TECHNICAL CHALLENGES...

- Complex and distributed applications / servers
- Heterogeneous environments
- Restricted accessibility
- Difficult to correlate events
- Troubleshooting – a needle in a haystack



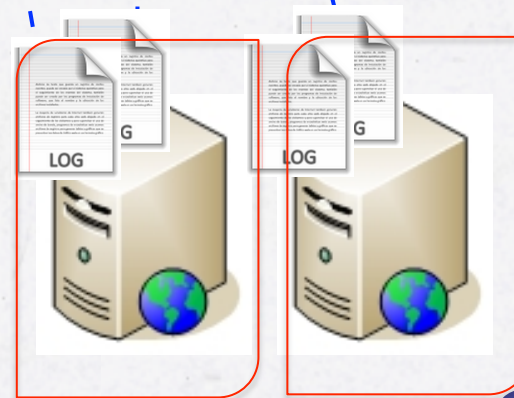
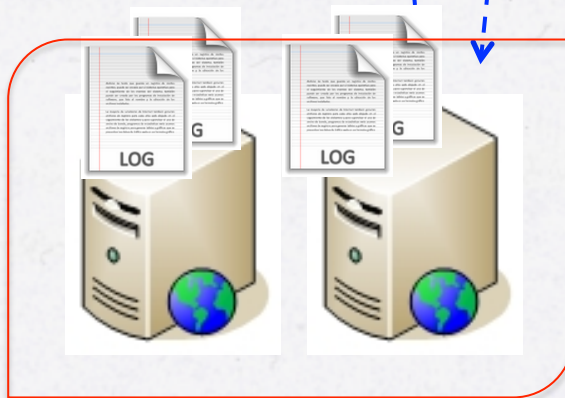
# ANALYSING THE ROOT CAUSE

Operations



The screenshot shows a terminal window with log output from a Mule service. The log includes fields like Host, ComponentId, Endpoint, MessageId, BusinessCorrelationId, and BusinessContextId. A Remote Desktop Connection for Mac dialog box is overlaid on the terminal, showing the computer name 'my-server.se' and a 'Connect' button. The dialog also lists examples of computer names: MyPC, name.microsoft.com, and 192.168.2.8.

Servers



cluster



# LOG MANAGEMENT



# LOG MANAGEMENT – LOG CHARACTERISTICS



```
2014-11-29 18:17:02,175 INFO [dp2cs-service.stage1.02]
org.soitoolkit.commons.mule.messageLogger - soi-toolkit.log
** logEvent-info.start *****
IntegrationScenarioId=
ContractId=
LogMessage=msg-in
ServiceImpl=dp2cs-service
Host=oladeibitsch.local (10.211.55.2)
ComponentId=elk-demo
Endpoint=polling://-1912630717
MessageId=88a8a139-77eb-11e4-bdeb-cfe6d8f782d1
BusinessCorrelationId=88a8c854-77eb-11e4-bdeb-cfe6d8f782d1
BusinessContextId=
ExtraInfo=
-MessageType=Svekatalog
-Filename=svekatalog-88a8c855-77eb-11e4-bdeb-cfe6d8f782d1.txt
Payload=
** logEvent-info.end *****
```

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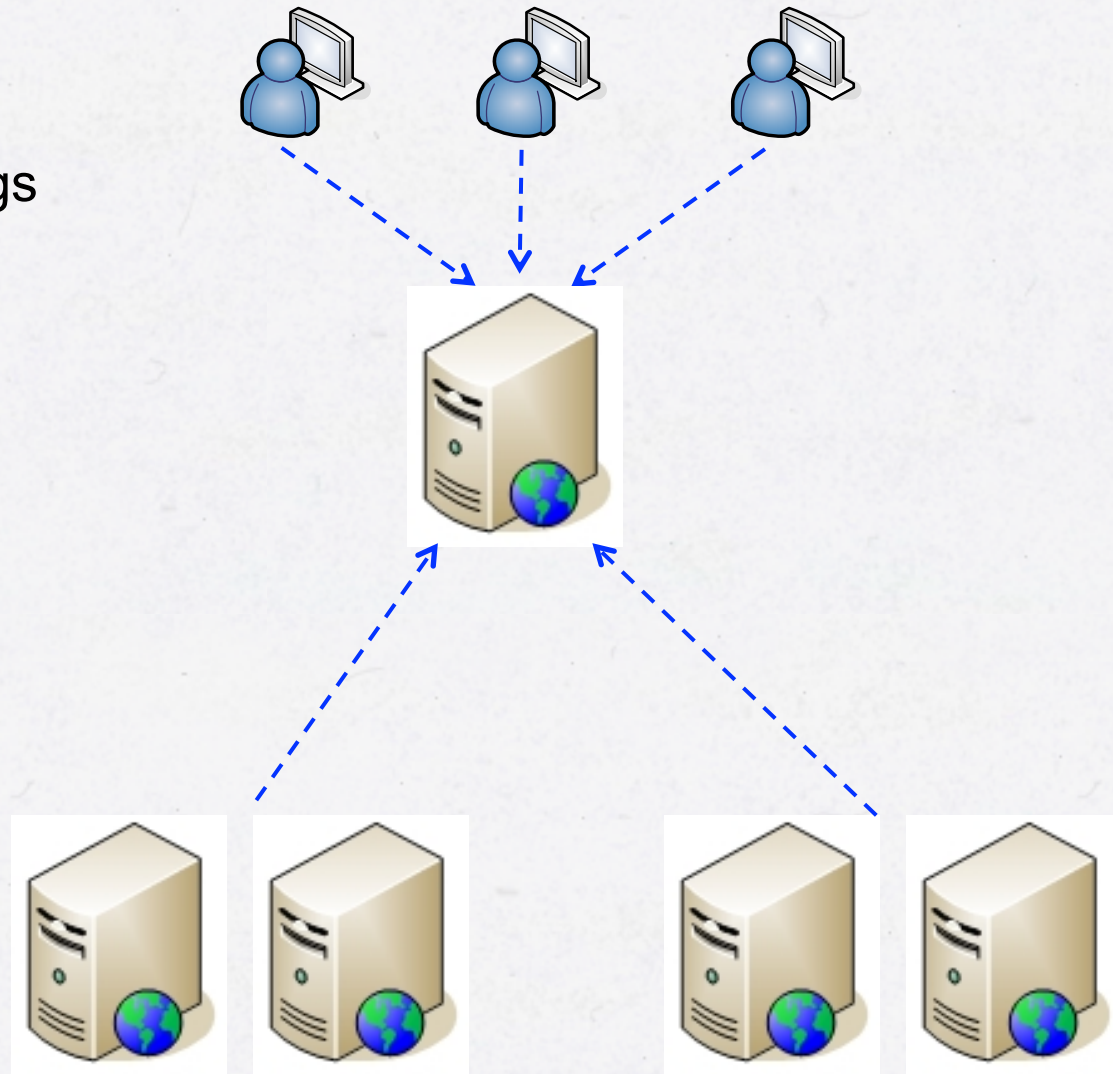


**= TIMESTAMP + DATA**



## REQUIREMENTS – LOG MONITORING

- Collecting Logs
- Parsing / Filter / Enrich Logs
- Centralize Logs
- Store Logs
- Analyze Logs
- Aggregate Logs
- Real-Time Analyse Logs
- Visualize Logs
- ...



## MEET ELASTICSEARCH, LOGSTASH AND KIBANA!

*“Elasticsearch, along with Logstash and Kibana, provides a powerful open source platform for indexing, searching and analyzing your data”*



**Elasticsearch** |



**Logstash** |



**Kibana**

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**Elasticsearch:** A document based search and analytics engine that makes data easy to explore using RESTful APIs.



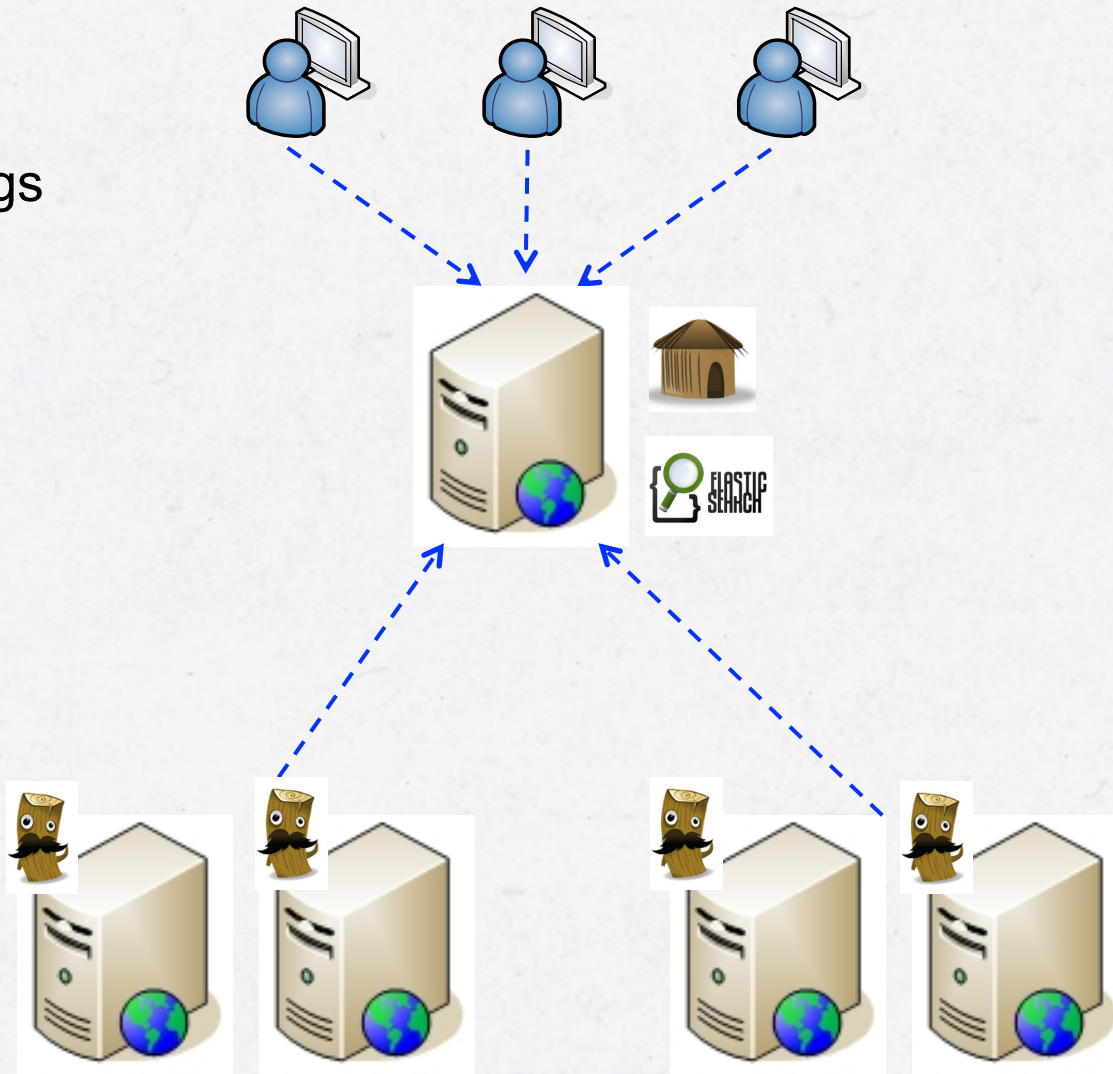
**Logstash:** A event processing engine used for collecting, parsing and log enrichment.



**Kibana:** HTML 5 fronted, supporting dynamic dashboard(s), used to visualize Elasticsearch data.

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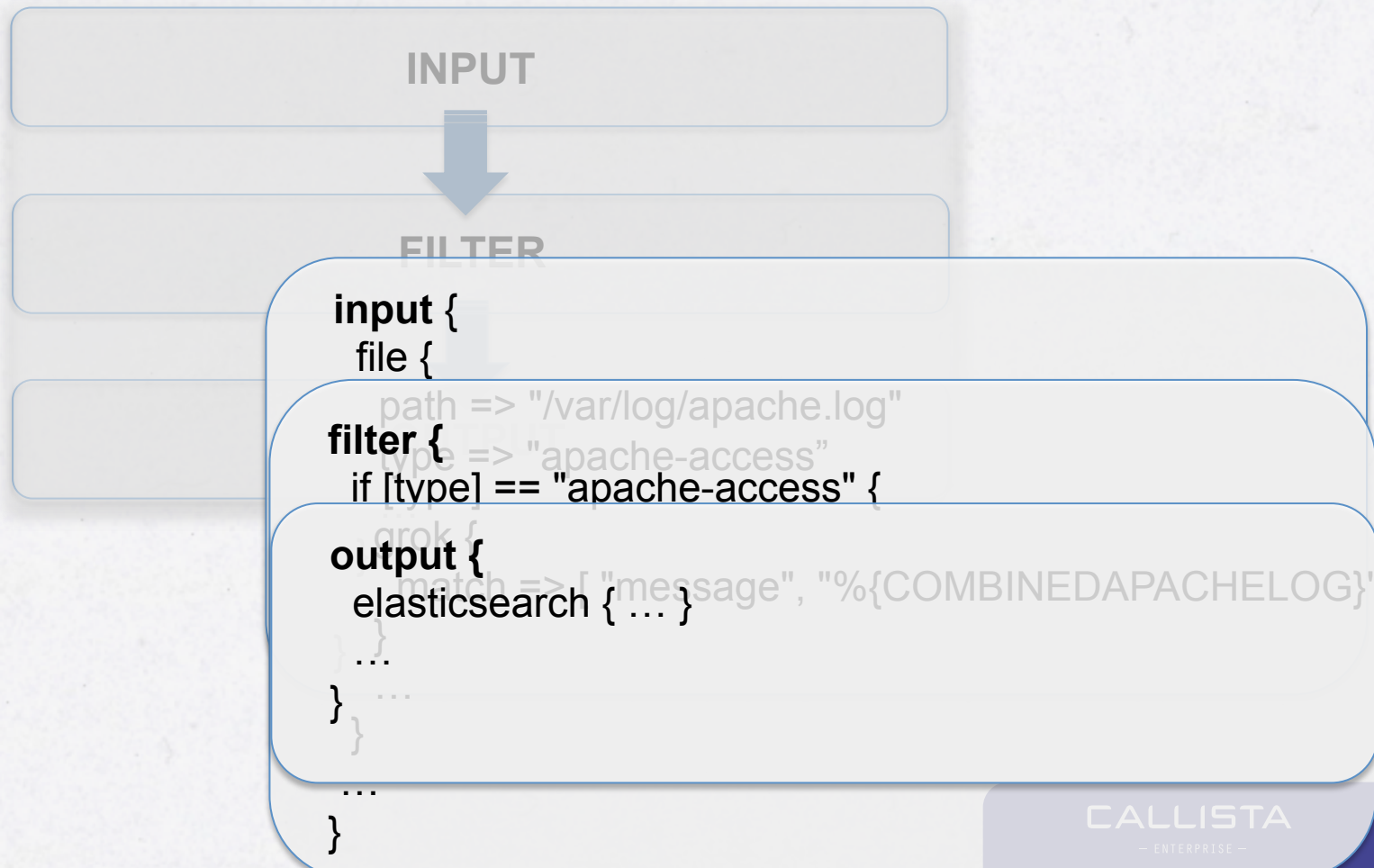
- Real time data
- Real time analytics
- High availability
- Scalability
- Document oriented
- RESTful API
- ...



# LOGSTASH - TERMINOLOGY



The logstash agent is a processing pipeline with three stages:





## << INPUTS >>

*collectd drupal\_dblog elasticsearch eventlog exec **file**  
ganglia gelf gemfire generator graphite heroku imap  
invalid\_input irc jmx log4j lumberjack pipe puppet\_facter  
rabbitmq rackspace redis relp s3 snmptrap sqlite sqs  
**stdin stomp** syslog tcp twitter udp unix varnishlog  
websocket wmi xmpp zenoss zeromq*



## << FILTERS >>

*advisor alter anonymize checksum cidr cipher clone  
collate csv **date** dns **drop** elapsed elasticsearch  
environment extractnumbers fingerprint gelfify geoip grep  
**grok** grokdiscovery i18n json json\_encode kv  
metaevent metrics **multiline mutate** noop prune  
punct railsparallelrequest range ruby sleep split  
sumnumbers syslog\_pri throttle translate unique  
urldecode useragent uuid wms wmts xml zeromq*





## << OUTPUTS >>

*boundary circonus cloudwatch csv datadog  
datadog\_metrics **elasticsearch** elasticsearch\_http  
elasticsearch\_river email exec file ganglia gelf gemfire  
google\_bigquery google\_cloud\_storage graphite  
graphtastic hipchat http irc jira juggernaut librato loggly  
lumberjack metriccatcher mongodb nagios nagios\_nasca  
null opentsdb pagerduty pipe rabbitmq rackspace redis  
redmine riak riemann s3 sns solr\_http sqs statsd  
**stdout stomp** syslog tcp udp websocket xmpp  
zabbix zeromq*

# DEMO 1 – A MINIMAL LOGSTASH CONFIGURATION



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## DEMO 1 – A MINIMAL LOGSTASH CONFIGURATION (CONT.)



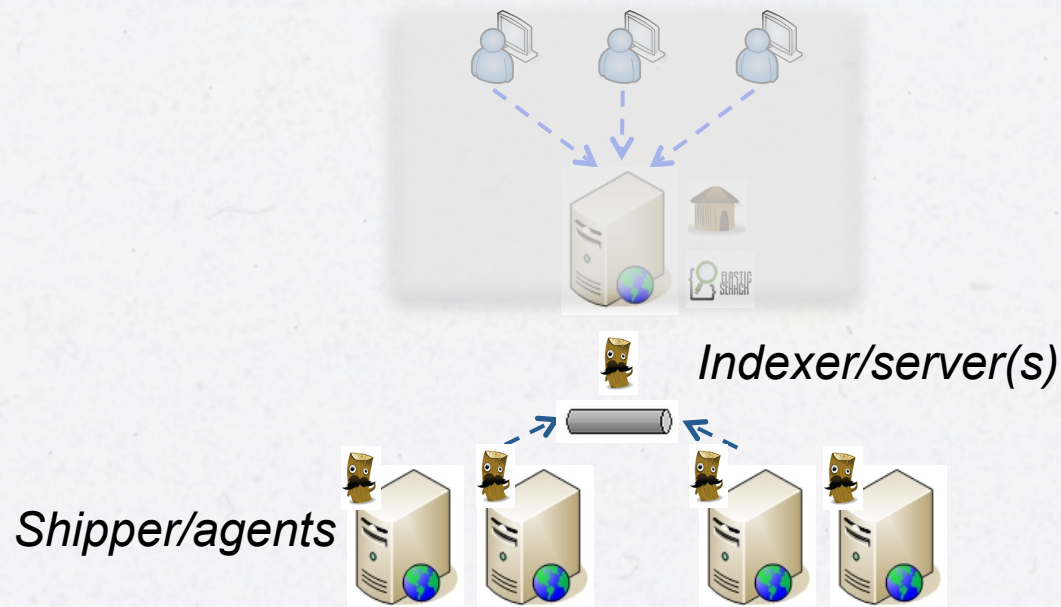
```
input {
  stdin {
    type => "apache-access"
  }
}
filter {
  if [type] == "apache-access" {
    grok {
      match => { "message" => "%{COMBINEDAPACHELOG}" }
    }
    date {
      match => [ "timestamp" , "dd/MMM/yyyy:HH:mm:ss Z" ]
    }
  }
}
output {
  stdout { codec => rubydebug }
}
```



# LOGSTASH – ARCHITECTURAL OVERVIEW



- "Shipper/agents"
  - Ships logs to logstash server, logstash remote agents
- "Indexer/server"
  - Receives and indexes the events within logstash server.
  - Logstash servers run one or more of the components independently, which helps to separate components and scale logstash



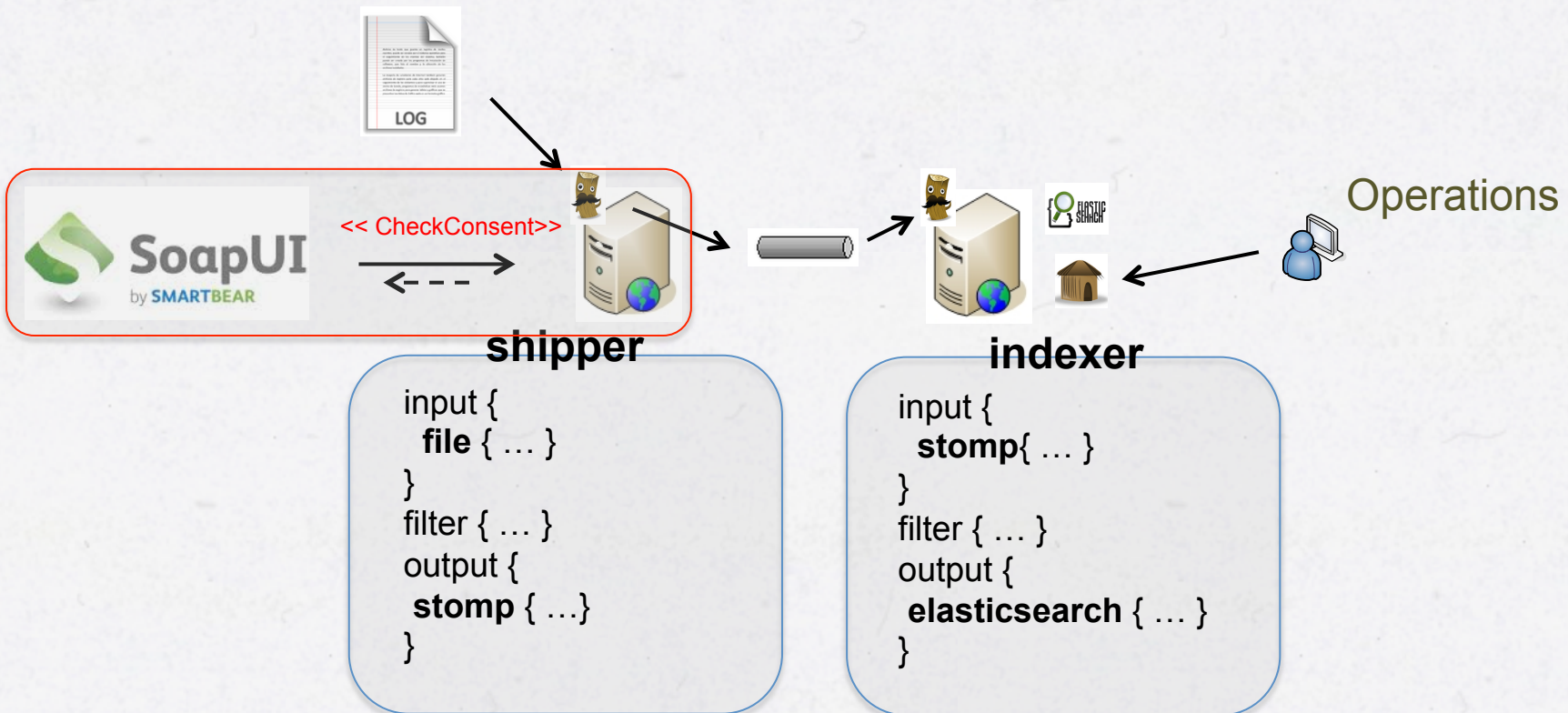




## DEMO 2 – VISUALIZING WITH KIBANA

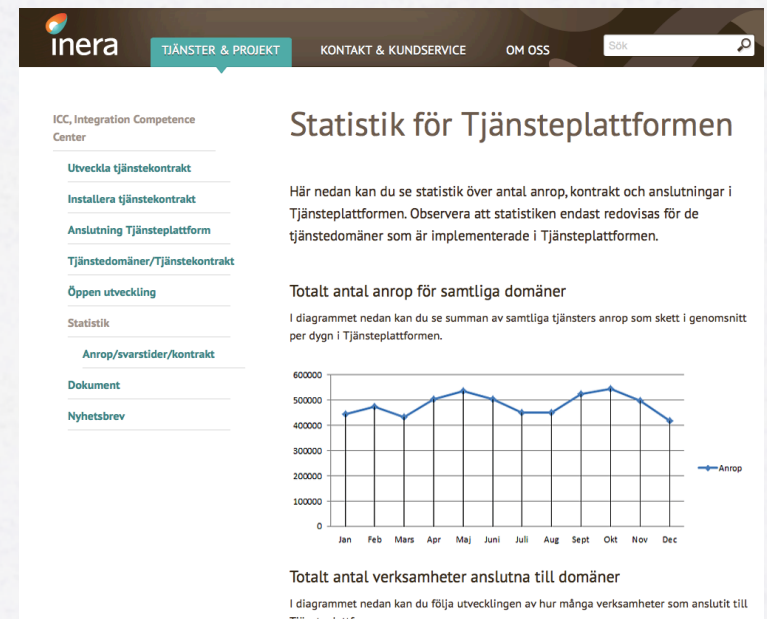
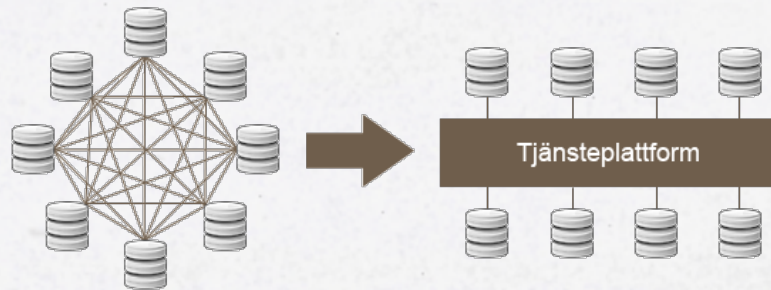
The purpose of this demo is to show how to start visualizing logs in Kibana using panels like:

- Tables, Histograms, Terms

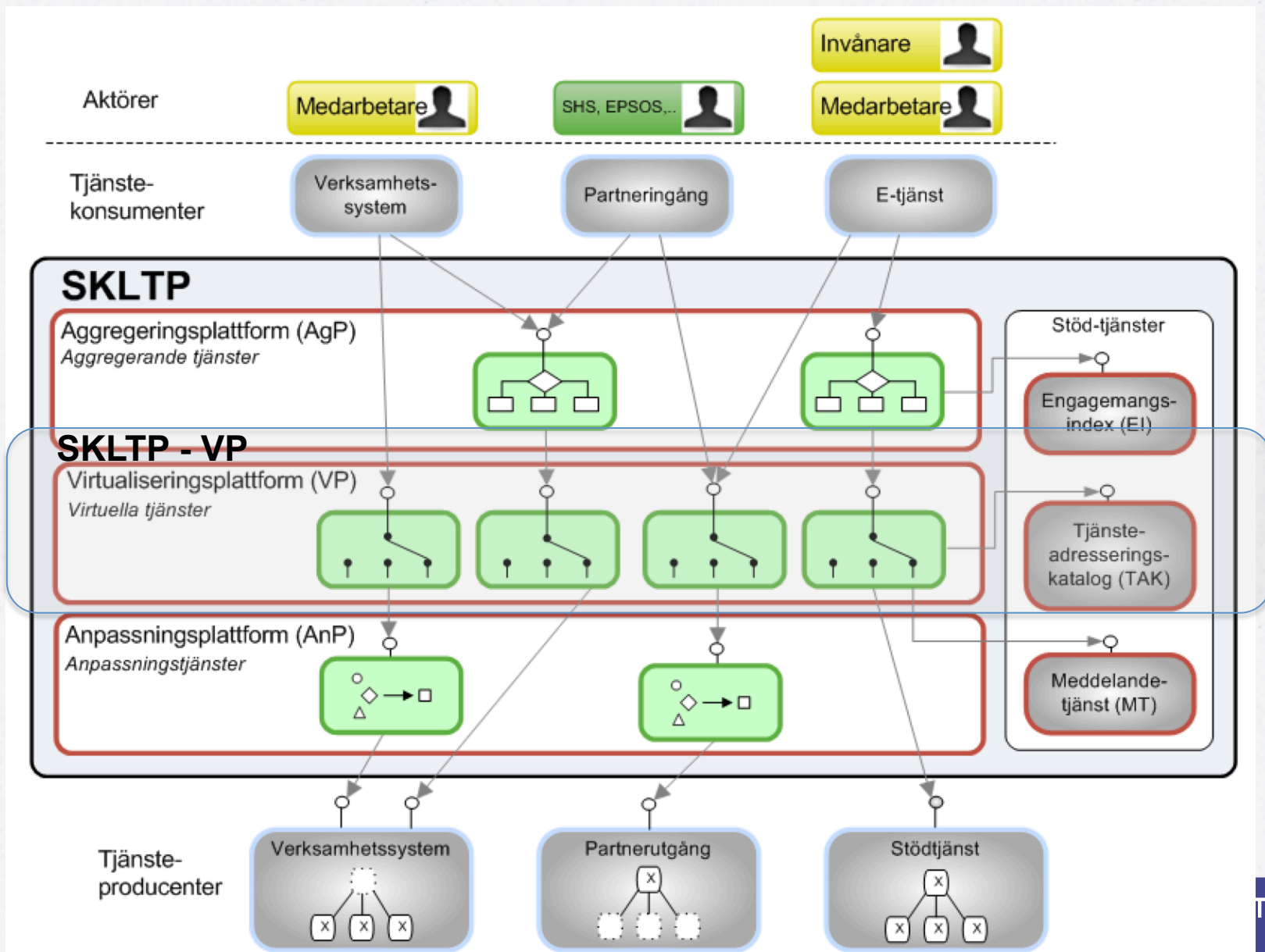


## CASE STUDY – SKLTP

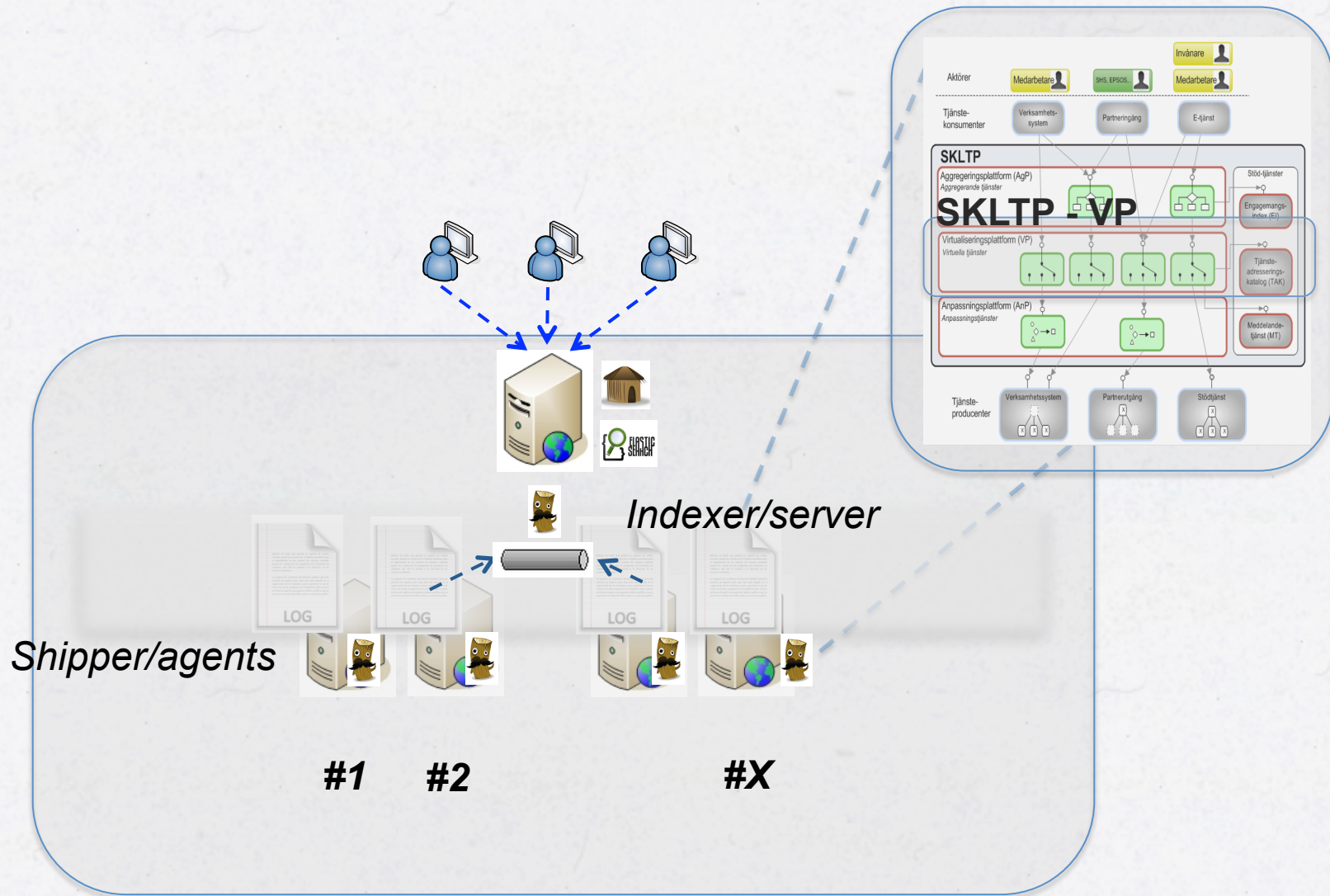
SKLTP is an open source project that implements priority parts of a service platform according to the reference architecture for health care. SKLTP used by Inera in the national service platform. SKLTP is also used as a regional service platform in different counties.



# CASE STUDY – SKLTP (CONT.)



# CASE STUDY – MONITORING “THE BLACK BOX”

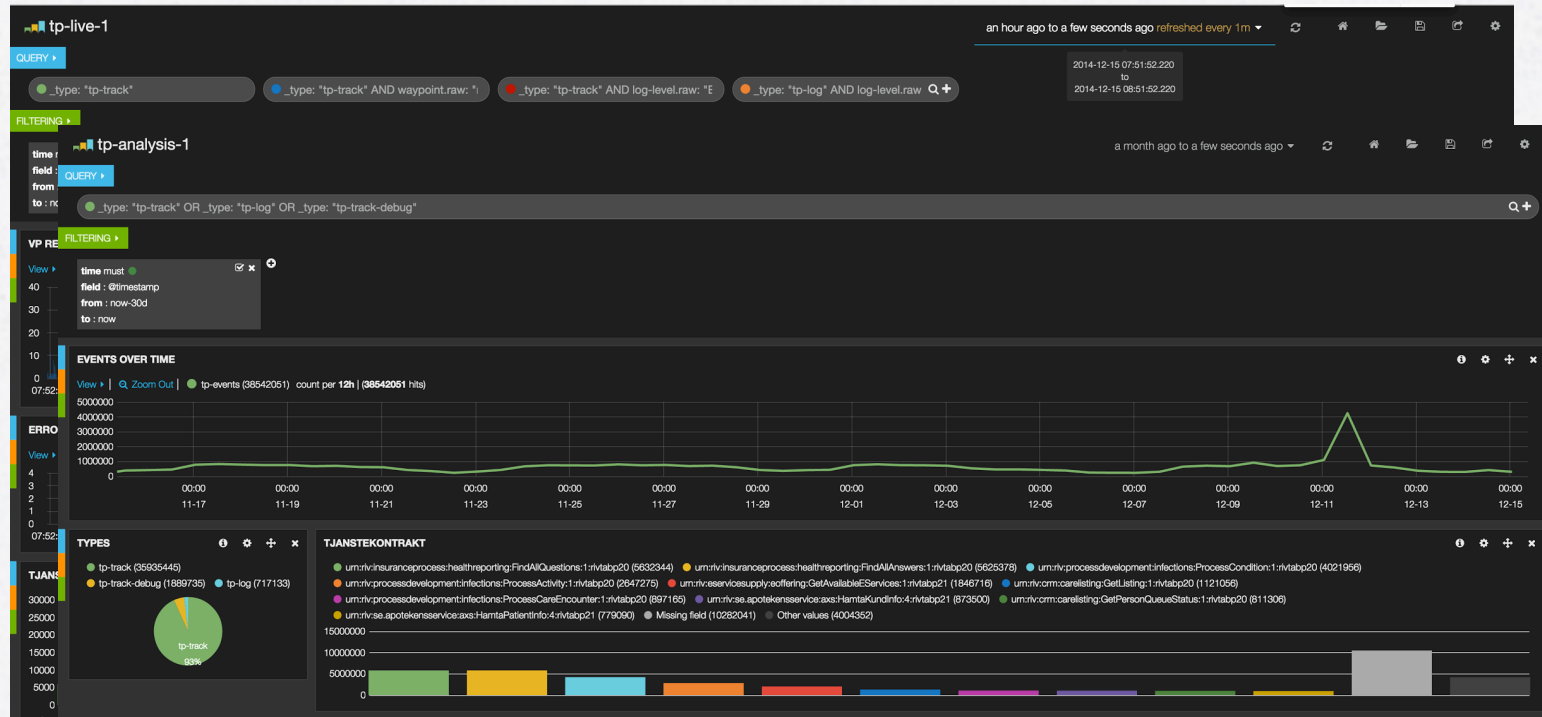




# DEMO 3 – SKLTP MONITORING



*”real time” is the only time...*



*analysing events over time...*

## SUMMARY

The **ELK** stack is three seamlessly integrated open source products...

...that helps us to **centralize**, **consolidate**, **structure** and **visualize** logs...

...which enables us to:

- ✓ perform troubleshooting
- ✓ perform log analysis
- ✓ work proactively

**➔ LOG DATA IS UNUSED, USE IT!**

