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# TYPICAL SYSLOG-NG USE-CASES

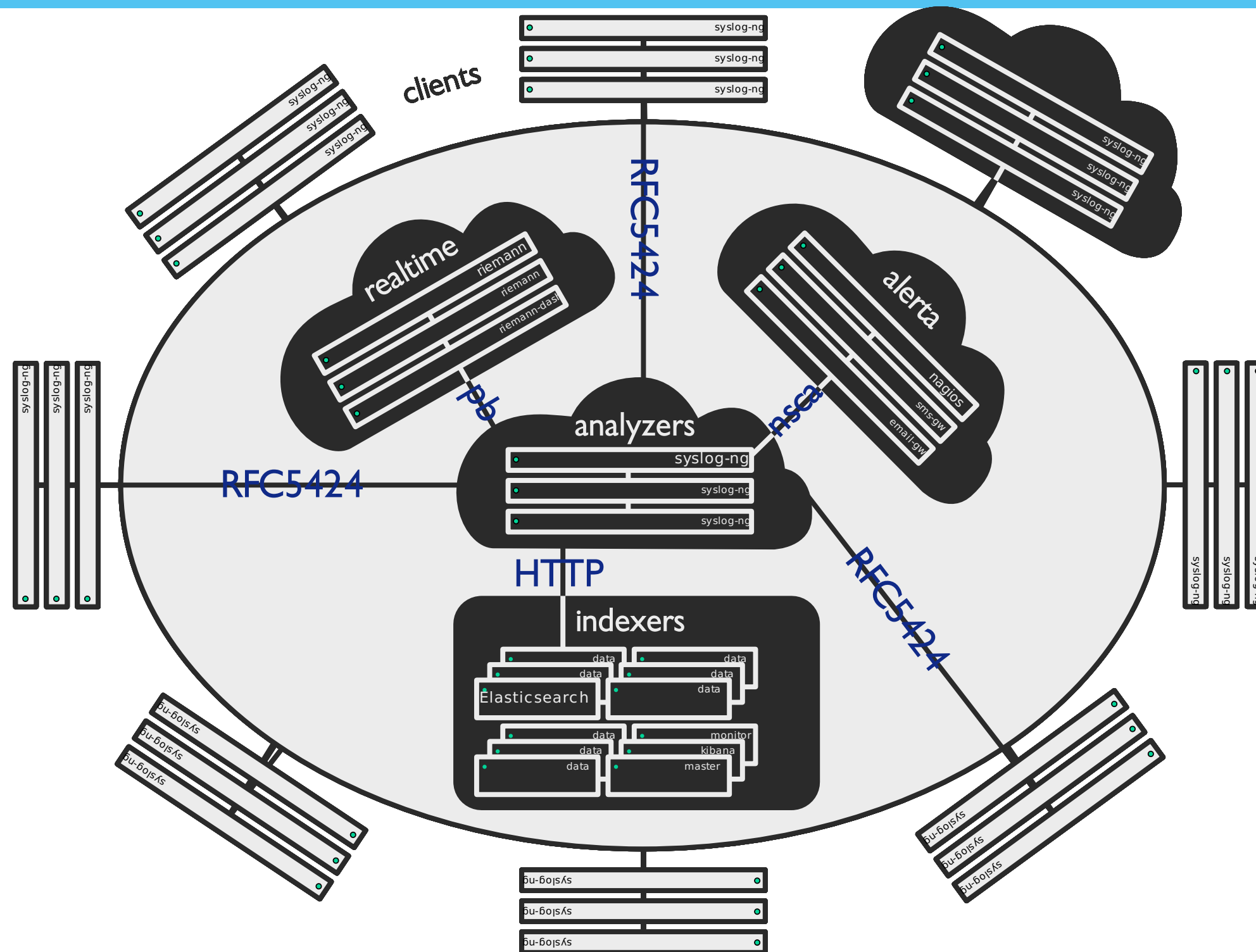
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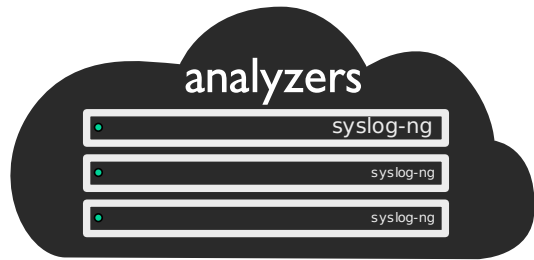
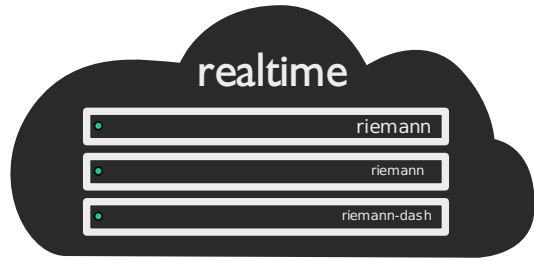
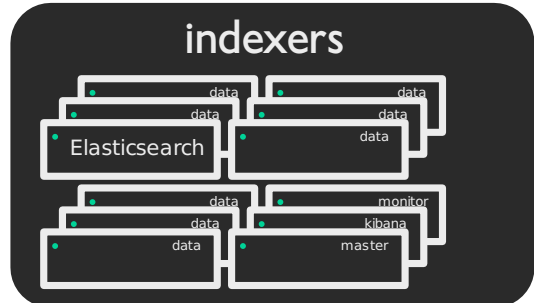
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```
talk {  
  infrastructure();  
  alertative { ... };  
  channel {  
    storing(); alerting(); enriching();  
  };  
  channel {  
    misc (); automation(); monitoring();  
  };  
  channel {  
    appendix { ... };  
    flags(if-time-permits);  
  };  
};
```

# ARCHITECTURE

# Architecture



Role	Platform	Max Usage
 <p>analyzers</p>	3 VMs 8GB/8CPU	1GB/2CPU
 <p>realtime</p>	5 VMs 8GB/8CPU	6GB/4CPU
 <p>indexers</p>	9 BMs 48GB/12CPU	32GB/10CPU

## WHY SYSLOG-NG?

- Flexible
- Portable
- Fast
- Low resource footprint
- Friendly ([ML](#), [issues](#), [PRs](#), [IRC/gitter](#))

Alternative	Pros	Cons
<a href="#">rsyslog</a>	infiltration, performance	config, documentation
<a href="#">logstash</a>	community, flexible	speed, footprint
<a href="#">Elastic Beats</a>	lightweight, portable	new, unflexible

# STORING LOGS



## ELASTICSEARCH DESTINATION

- uses JNI (libjvm.so)
- supported protocols: http(s), transport, and node
- [searchguard](#) and [https](#) implemented by CC-IN2P3

```
destination d_elasticsearch {
  elasticsearch2(
    client-lib-dir("/usr/share/elasticsearch/plugins/search-guard-5/*.jar:/usr/share/elasticsearch/lib/")
    client-mode("https")
    concurrent-requests("16")
    disk-buffer(
      dir("/var/lib/syslog-ng-disq/")
      disk-buf-size(53687091200)
      mem-buf-size(1073741824)
    )
    flush-limit('1024')
    index("${__es_index:-syslog}-${YEAR}.${MONTH}.${DAY}")
    port('9200')
    server("node01 node02 node03 node04 node05")
    java_keystore_filepath("/etc/syslog-ng/coloss-analyzer-keystore.jks")
    java_keystore_password("terces")
    java_truststore_filepath("/etc/elasticsearch/coloss/truststore.jks")
    java_truststore_password("terces")
    http_auth_type("clientcert")
    skip-cluster-health-check("yes")
    template("${format-json -s all-nv-pairs --rekey .SDATA.* --shift 7}")
    time-zone("UTC")
    type("${__es_type:-syslog}")
  );
};
```

## SUGGESTIONS

- [know your libjvm.so](#)

```
Error initializing message pipeline;
```

- use large disq buffer (cluster restarts)
- bulk flush-limit('1024')
- multithread concurrent-requests("16")

# ALERTING

## NAGIOS

```
destination d_nagios {  
  program(  
    /opt/bin/send_nsca  
    flush-lines(1)  
    template(  
      "${nagios.host:-UNDEF}\t${nagios.service:-UNDEF}\t${nagios.status:-0}\t${nagios.messa  
    )  
  );  
};
```

## EMAIL

```
destination d_email {  
  smtp(  
    host("localhost"), port(25),  
    from("syslog_ng" "noreply@cc.in2p3.fr"),  
    to("${email.to}"),  
    subject("[syslog_ng] ${PROGRAM} ${HOST} ${email.subject:-N/A}"),  
    body("${email.body:-N/A}")  
  );  
};
```

## RIEMANN

```
destination d_riemann {
  riemann(
    server("riemann.cc.in2p3.fr"),
    port(5555),
    type("tcp"),
    flush-lines(1),
    ttl("${ttl:-300}"),
    metric("${metric}"),
    state("${state:-ok}"),
    attributes(
      scope(all-nv-pairs),
      key(".SDATA.*")
      rekey( shift(7) )
    ),
  ),
}
```

# ROUTING



## Pattern Matching (patterndb)

```
<rules>
  <rule provider='puppet' id='1311f61b-c2f5-4510-8b3b-6b263c9bd46e' class='system'>
    <patterns>
      <pattern>@ESTRING:: @@STRING::@@SET:: @@ESTRING:: @@ESTRING:: @@ES
    </patterns>
    <values>
      <value name='state'>warning</value>
      <value name='ttl'>7200</value>
    </values>
    <examples>
      <example>
        <test_message program='afs_fs'>Thu Jun 2 00:09:20 2016 Partition /vicepaa that conta
        <test_values>
          <test_value name='afs.partition'>vicepaa</test_value>
          <test_value name='afs_val_id'>1000007000</test_value>
```

## Filter

```
filter f_to_email {  
  tags("f_to_email");  
};
```

## Log Path

```
log {  
  source(s_system);  
  source(s_network);  
  ...  
  parser(p_patterndb);  
  ...  
  log {  
    filter(f_to_email);  
    destination(d_email);  
  };  
  ...  
}
```

## EXAMPLES

### GPFS

```
[W] allocLogBufs:no memory wait 5 seconds, 31 so far  
[W] Inode space 41 in file system sps_hep is approaching the limit for the maximum number o
```

### Node reboots

```
BIOS-e820: 0000000000100000 - 00000000cf379000 (usable)  
Kernel command line: ro root=/dev/mapper/rootvg-root rd_NO_LUKS KEYBOARDTYPE=pc K  
Initializing cgroup subsys blkio
```

### FS

```
The number of I/O errors associated with a ZFS device exceeded  
Buffer I/O error on device dm-6, logical block 64557071  
Filesystem dm-6: xfs_log_force: error 5 returned.
```

# ENRICHING LOGS

## Puppet facts

```
rewrite r_sdata_facter {  
  set("RedHat",  
    value(".SDATA.facter.osfamily")  
  );  
  set("OpenStack Nova",  
    value(".SDATA.facter.productname")  
  );  
};
```

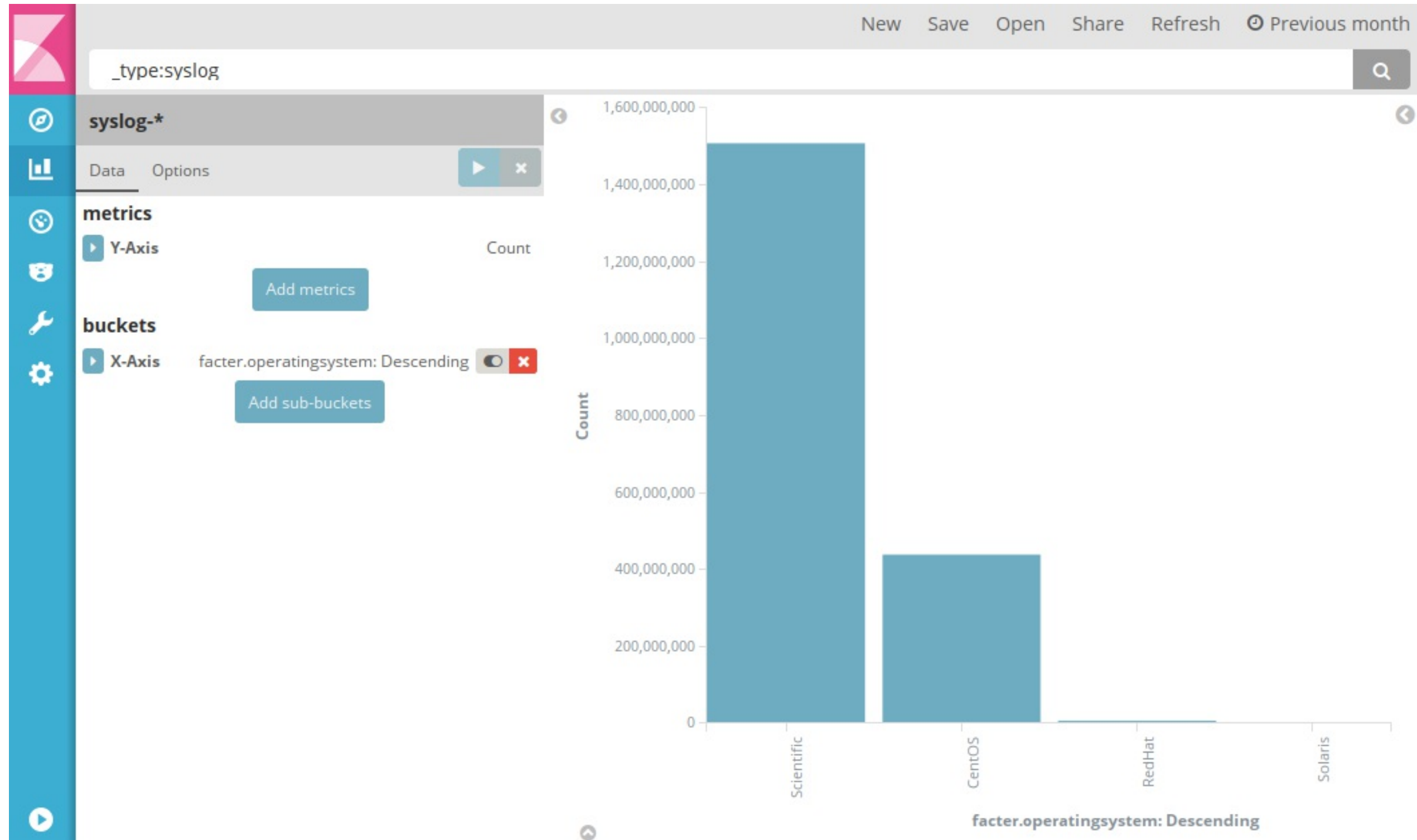
## CMDB

```
rewrite r_sdata_cmdb {  
  set("workernode"  
    value(".SDATA.cmdb.role")  
  );  
};
```

## Send Structured Data using RFC5424

```
log {  
  source(s_system);  
  rewrite(r_sdata_factor);  
  rewrite(r_sdata_cmdb);  
  destination{  
    network(  
      "logs.cc.in2p3.fr"  
      flags(syslog-protocol)  
    );  
  };  
};
```

# Enriching Logs



Or use an **external file** (available since 3.8.1)

```
parser p_uppet_facts {  
  add-contextual-data(  
    selector("$HOST"),  
    database("/path/to/puppet-facts.csv"),  
  );  
}
```



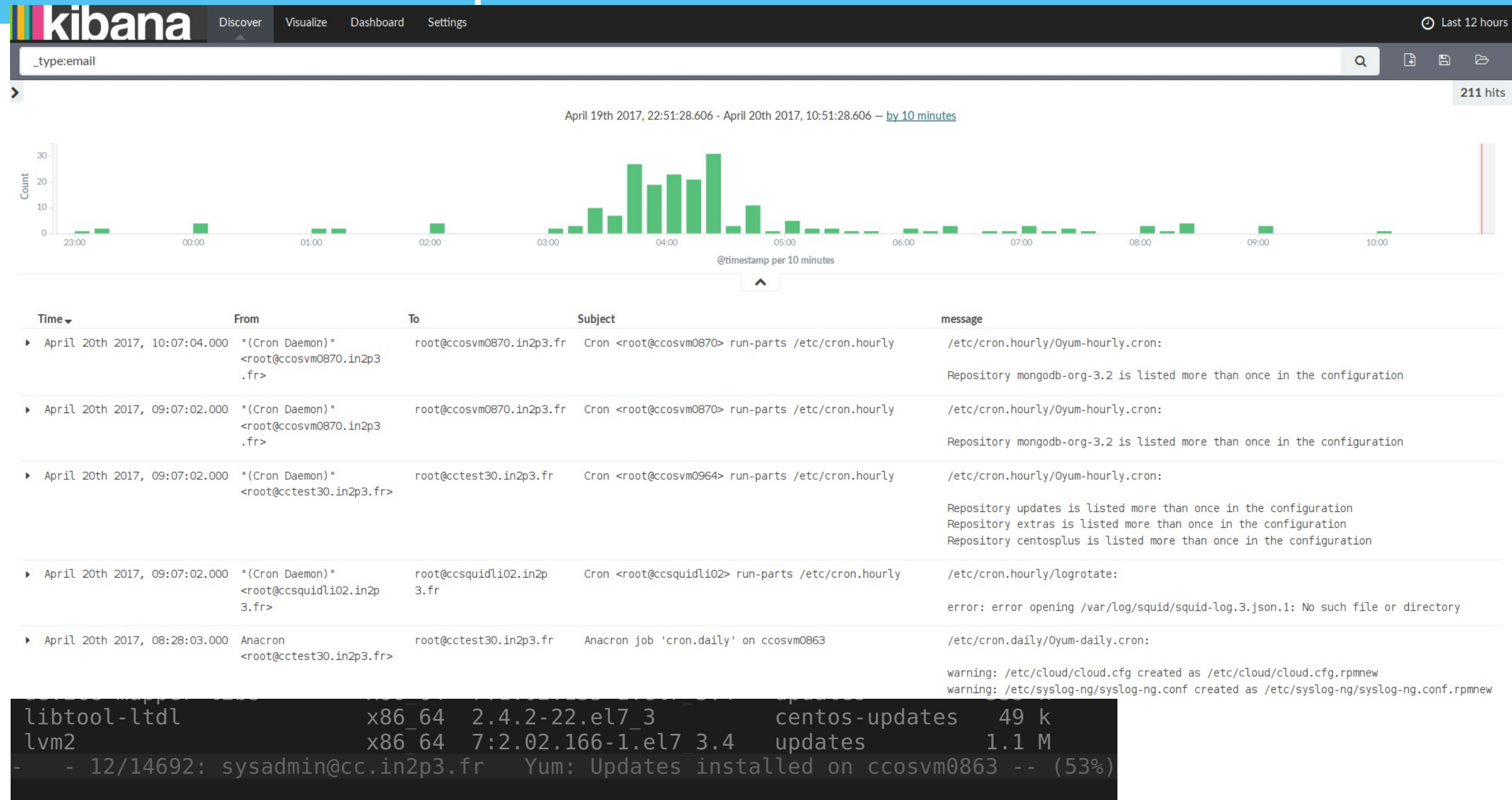
# MISC

```
source s_mbox {
  channel {
    source {
      mbox("/var/spool/mail/syslog_ng");
    };
  };
  parser {
    json-parser(
      template("${python mbox}")
    );
  };
  junction {
    channel {
      date-parser(
        format("%a, %d %b %Y %T %z")
        template("${Date}")
      );
    };
  };
}
```

## SERIOUSLY?

- sure, for syslog-unfriendly tools
- and quick'n'dirty solutions
- "You Know, for Search"
- Ex: appliances, electrical equipment, ...
- Ex: yum, (ana)cron, ...

# Mailbox source - Examples



```
Record type=EVENT, Event time=2017/04/21 09:22:35 CEST, Severity=NONE  
Subsystem=MPSR, Message#=63, Error code=0 Desc  
name=MPS1,  
Routine=mps_DiskMigr ( line 6715 ) PID=52853,  
Node=xxxx.in2p3.fr, User=  
Type=OPERATION INITIATION, Object Class=37, Request Id=0  
Disk migration start (SClassId 14, SubSysId 1).
```

```
Record type=EVENT, Event time=2017/04/21 09:48:05 CEST, Severity=NONE  
Subsystem=MPSR, Message#=64, Error code=0  
Desc name=MPS1,  
Routine=mps_RecordStats ( line 2321 )  
PID=52853,  
Node=xxxx.in2p3.fr, User=  
Type=OPERATION COMPLETION, Object Class=37, Request Id=0  
Disk migration end (SClassId 14, SubSysId 1, Files 37, Bytes 578924559613, Errors 0).
```

TABLE

0 to 100 of 500 available for paging

@timestamp	hpss.msg_id	hpss.message	hpss.sclass_id	hpss.subsys_id	hpss.stat.migratedbytes	hpss.stat.migration_rate	hpss.stat.purgedbytes
2017-04-27T07:30:39.000+02:00	MPSR0066	Disk purge end	14	3			5320122302464
2017-04-27T07:24:40.000+02:00	MPSR0066	Disk purge end	12	1			1674634592256
2017-04-27T07:22:05.000+02:00	MPSR0066	Disk purge end	14	5			4300336005120
2017-04-27T06:29:00.000+02:00	MPSR0064	Disk migration end	14	5	921968717959	1092	
2017-04-27T06:25:46.000+02:00	MPSR0064	Disk migration end	10	5	1922680326	13	
2017-04-27T06:12:00.000+02:00	MPSR0064	Disk migration end	12	4	168497876523	354	
2017-04-27T06:10:40.000+02:00	MPSR0066	Disk purge end	14	3			5345623670784
2017-04-27T05:55:16.000+02:00	MPSR0064	Disk migration end	14	4	11650244952	68	
2017-04-27T05:29:17.000+02:00	MPSR0066	Disk purge end	14	1			3752727674880
2017-04-27T05:05:24.000+02:00	MPSR0064	Disk migration end	12	5	265135502343	458	

## Correlating events using group-by()

# AUTOMATION

## ihrwein.syslog-ng

```
syslog_ng_client_destinations:  
- "log.cc.in2p3.fr":  
  proto: udp  
  port: 514  
  filters:  
    - f_syslog  
    - f_all_but_debug
```



## ccin2p3/patterndb

```
patterndb::simple::action:  
CPU_SOFT_LOCKUP:  
  rule: 7ae85d0e-0e42-48d8-9992-2f125c9ae310  
  rate: "1/300"  
  condition: "$context-length" >= "10"  
  message:  
    inherit_properties: TRUE  
    tags:  
      - f_to_email  
    values:  
      email.to: p'tach@cc.in2p3.fr  
      email.subject: soft lockups on CPU  
      email.body: '${MESSAGE}'  
      state: warning  
      PROGRAM: 'soft_lockup'
```

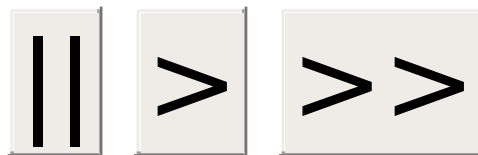
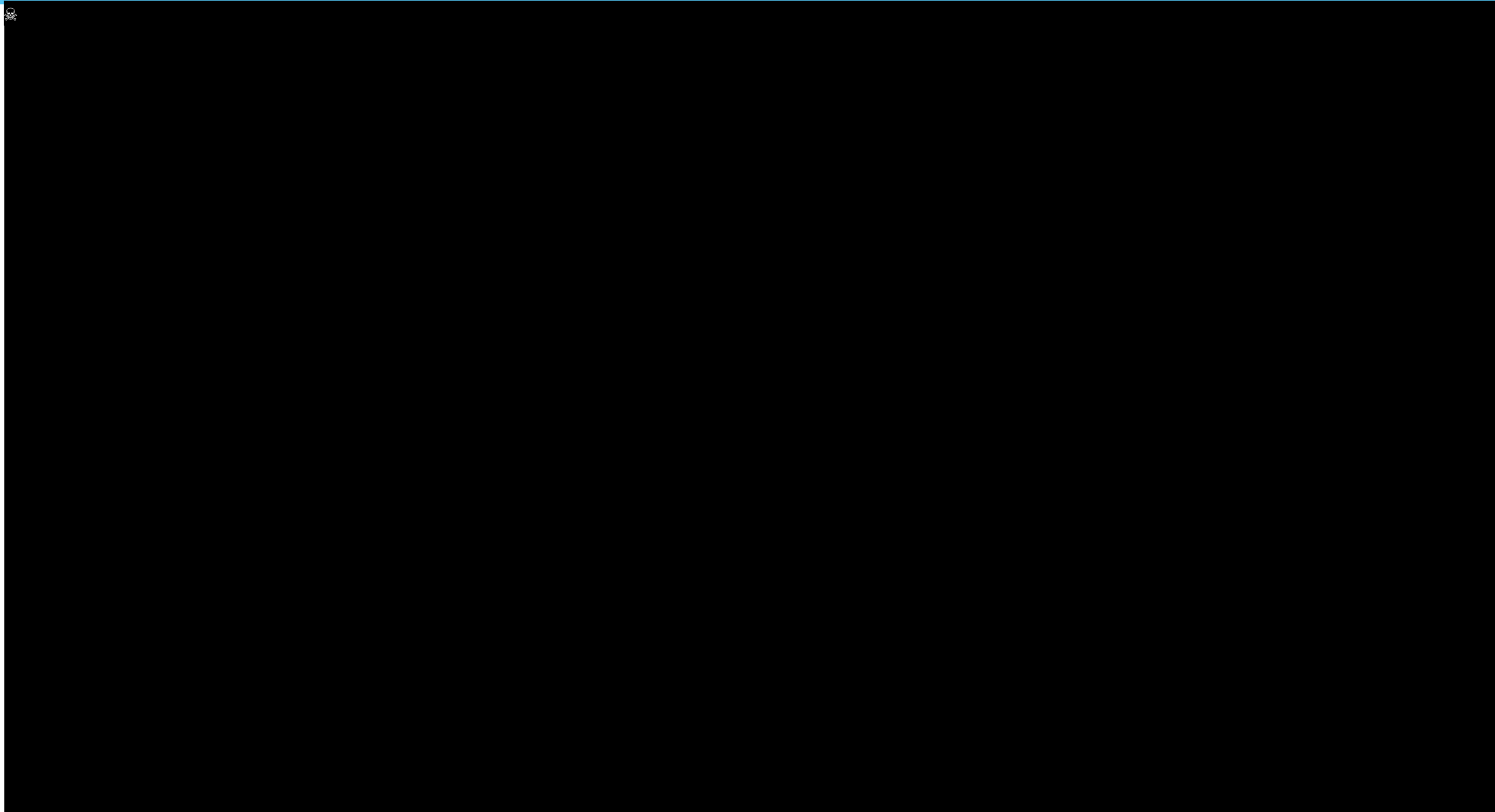
Contributions welcome!

## ccin2p3/syslog\_ng

```
syslog_ng::config:  
  version:  
    content: "@version: %{syslog_ng_version}"  
    order: '02'  
  scl:  
    content: '@include scl.conf'  
    order: '03'  
syslog_ng::filter:  
  f_messages:  
    params:  
      - level: [ "info..emerg" ]
```

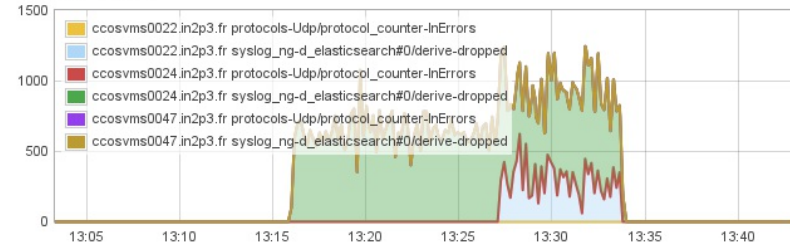
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# MONITORING

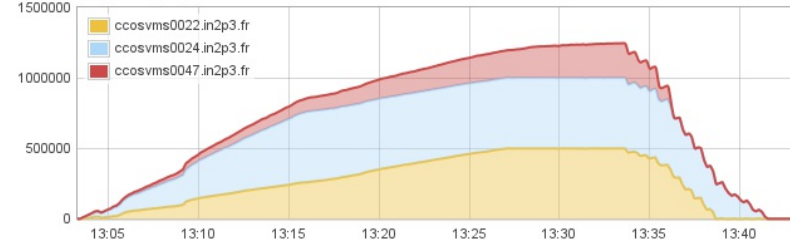


# syslog-ng-ctl

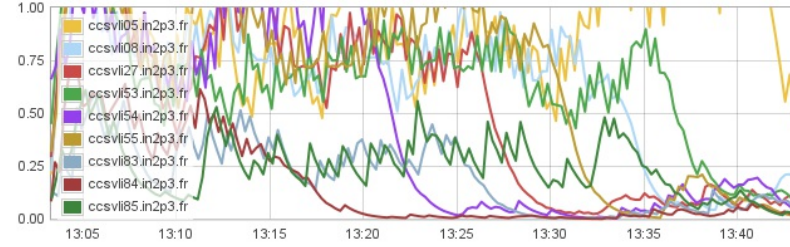
error rate



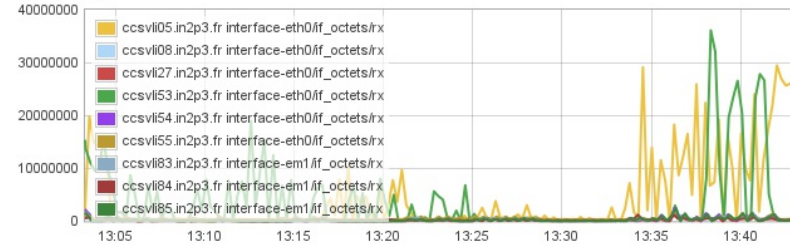
syslog-ng queue



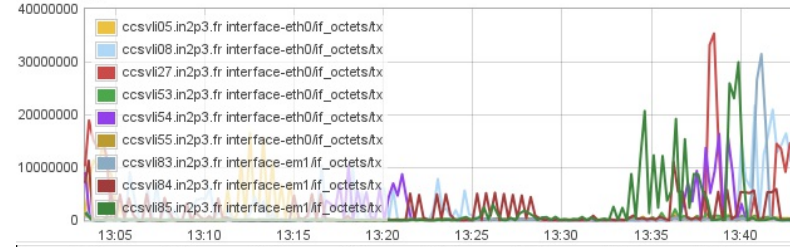
load



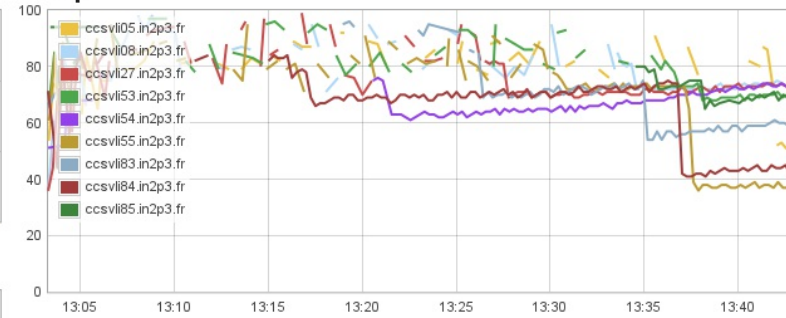
net rx



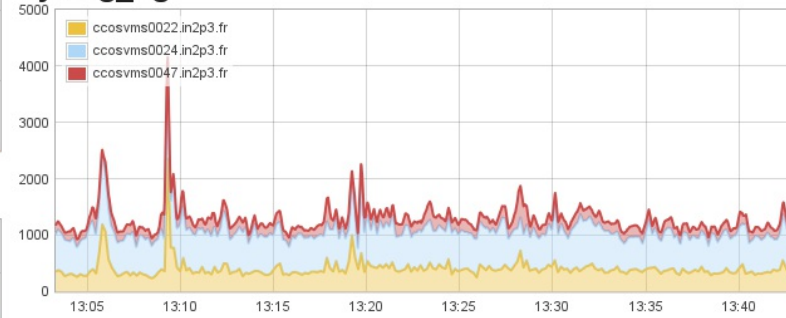
net tx



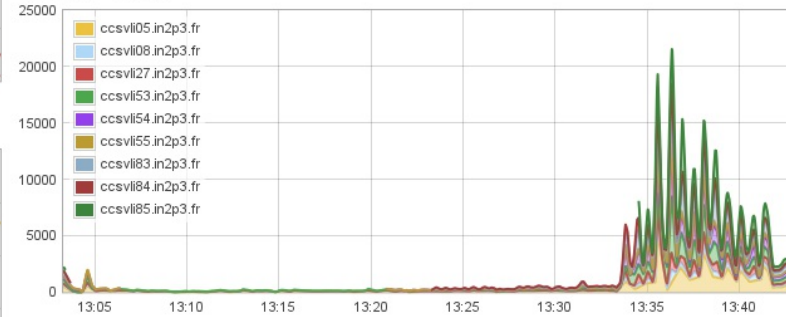
heap



syslog-ng



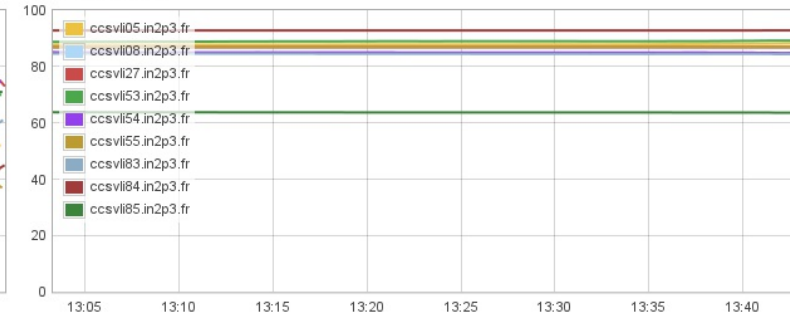
index rate



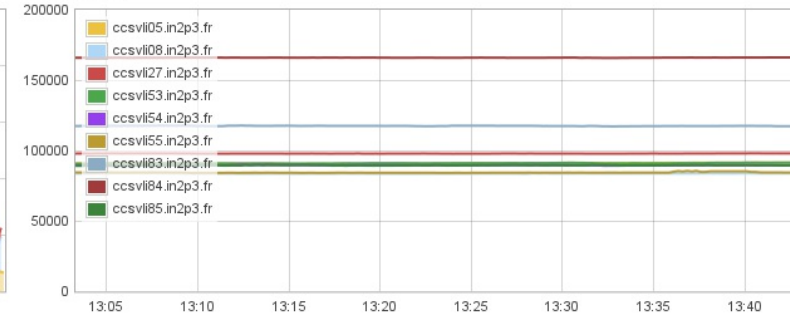
query rate



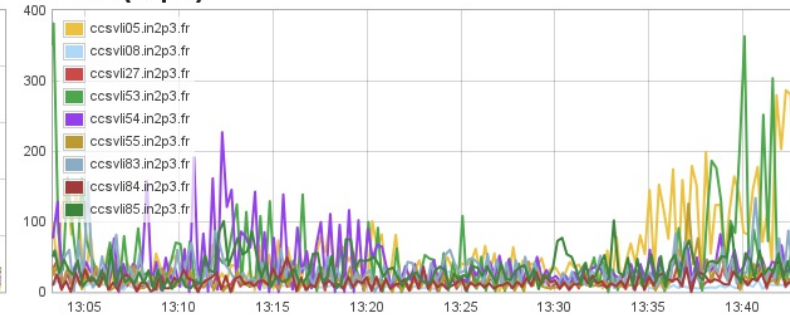
disk used



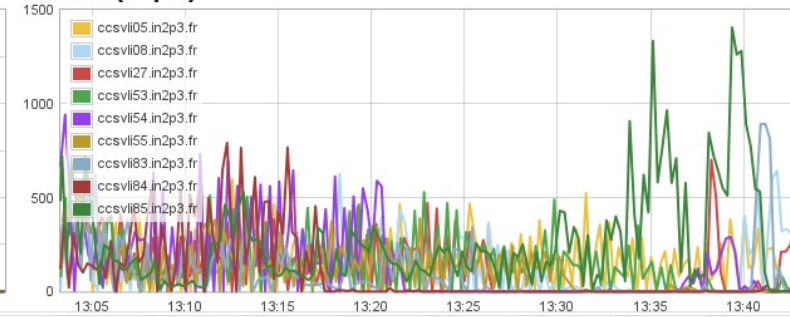
inodes



writes (iops)



reads (iops)



## GOTCHAS/TRAPS

- EPEL version not supporting X
  - workaround: use [unofficial](#) packages or [build from source](#)
- EL7 hard RPM deps on libvirt, cloud-init
- `/etc/logrotate.d/syslog` conflict with `rsyslog.rpm`
- blocking `syslog()` syscalls
  - [ldap](#) workaround: `owner(-1) group(-1)`
  - [dns](#) workaround: `/etc/hosts` or use IPs

## OTHER DESTINATIONS

- HTTP (libcurl)
- kafka (2 impl.)
- **HDFS** (java)
- SQL
- **collectd** (WIP)

## SYSLOG-NG REFERENCES

- [unofficial-ng packages](#)
- [documentation](#)
- [the libjvm.so problem](#)
- [ldap deadlock](#)
- [dns deadlock](#)
- [syslog-ng java drivers](#)



## OTHER REFERENCES

- [elastic beats](#)
- [rsyslog](#)
- [logstash](#)
- [Search Guard](#)
- [ansible module](#)
- [puppet patterndb](#)
- [puppet syslog\\_ng](#)

# APPENDICES

```
block source mbox(filename()) {  
  file(  
    "`filename`"  
    log-msg-size(10000000)  
    log-fetch-limit(1)  
    flags(no-parse)  
    multi-line-mode(prefix-suffix)  
    multi-line-prefix('^From ')  
  );  
};
```

```
def mbox(logmsg):
    lines = logmsg.MSG.splitlines()
    first_line = lines.pop(0)
    if not re.match(r'^From ', first_line):
        return json.dumps({"mbox.error": "doesn't look like an email"})

    first_line = first_line.split(None,2)
    out = {}
    out['Envelope'] = first_line[1]
    out['Isodate'] = first_line[2]
    line = "foo"
    while (len(line) > 0):
        line = lines.pop(0)
        if re.match(r'^.*:',line):
            d = line.split(':')
```