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Cloud Processing of PDS Archival Products with Amazon Web Services, Kubernetes, and Elasticsearch

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PDS Imaging Node

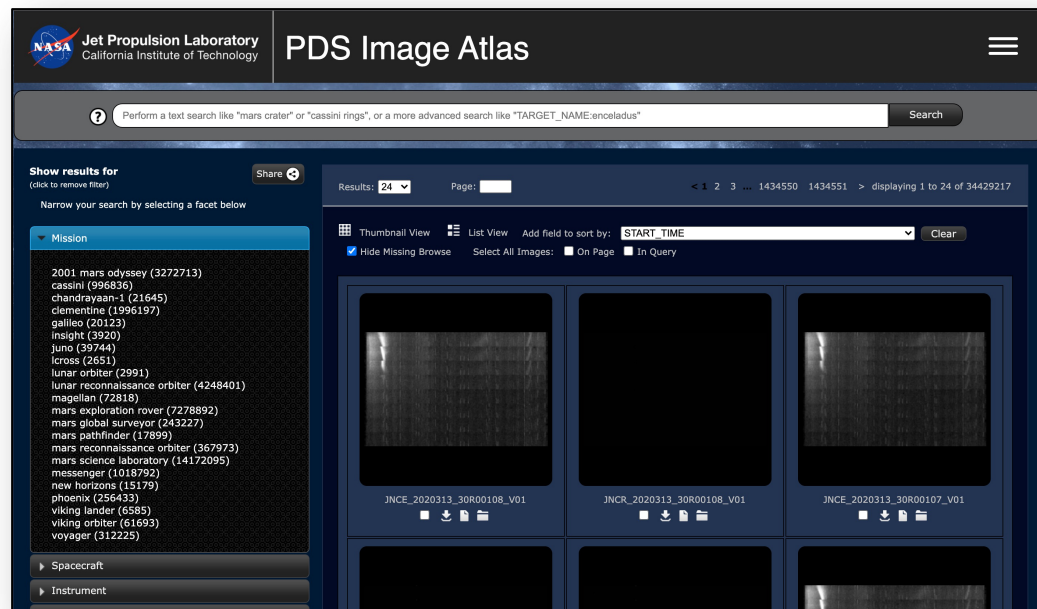
- Cartography and Imaging Sciences Node (IMG) of the NASA Planetary Data System (PDS)
- Home to nearly 2 PB of digital image archives
- Diverse collection of images
 - Both orbital and landed missions
 - Over 20 million images taken from the surface of Mars
 - Nearly 5 million images taken of Mars's surface from orbit
 - Images of Saturn, Jupiter, and Beyond
 - Original, raw experiment data and derived products
 - Differing coordinate systems



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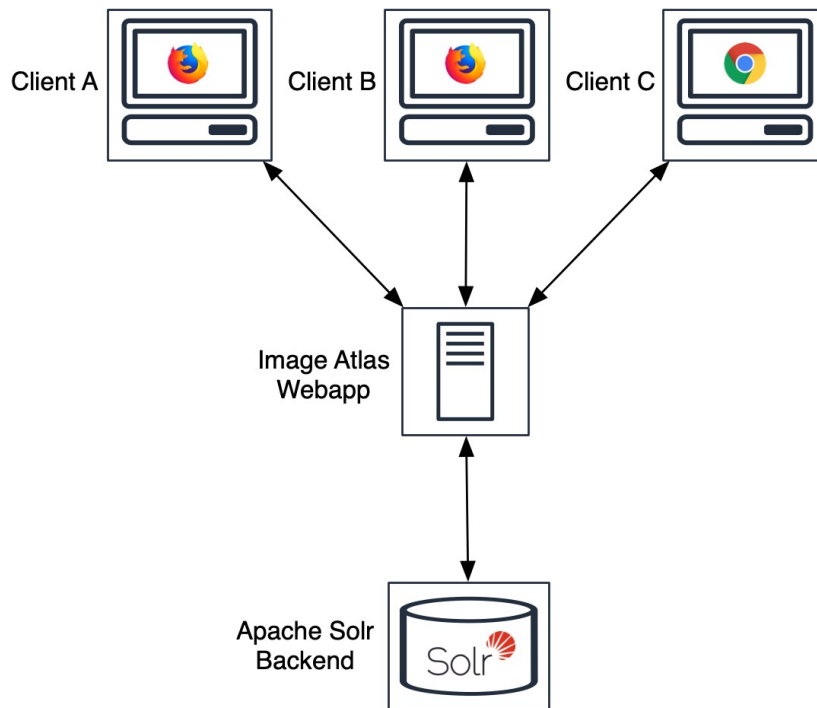


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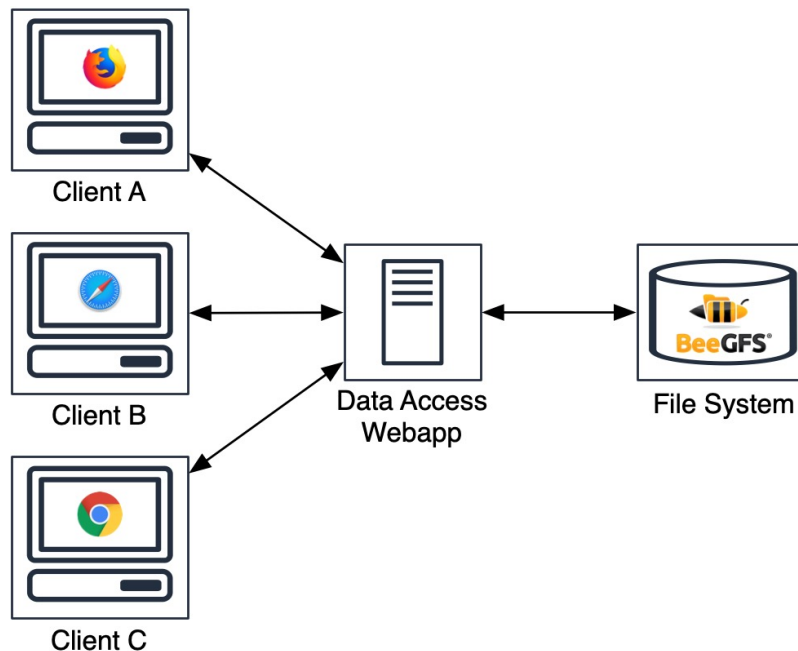


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 - 40+ million PDS labels
 - “Common” metadata
 - Machine-learning enhanced metadata

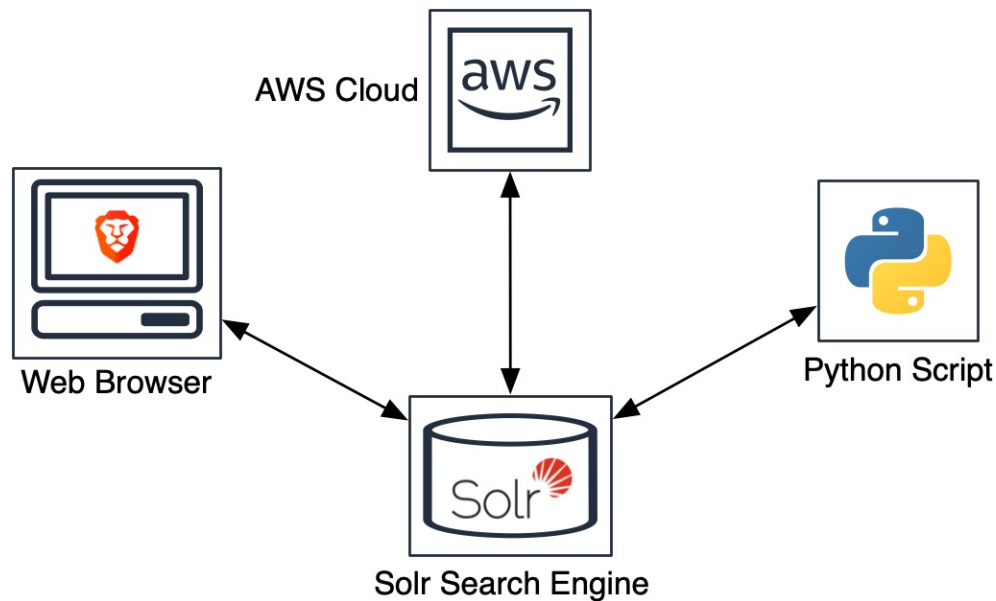
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Requirements

- Image Atlas
 - Multiple data stores
 - Availability issues
 - Cumbersome upgrades
- Data access
 - Store on multiple file systems (and object stores!)
 - Manage cloud egress costs
- Search
 - Easier than Solr API's learning curve
 - Easier to impose structure on search results

Solutions

- AWS Cloud
 - Managed services
 - Only pay for what you use
- Microservices architecture
 - Decoupled components
 - Developed in isolation
 - Communication via APIs
- Containerization
 - Easy to scale
 - Ephemeral
 - Orchestration frameworks

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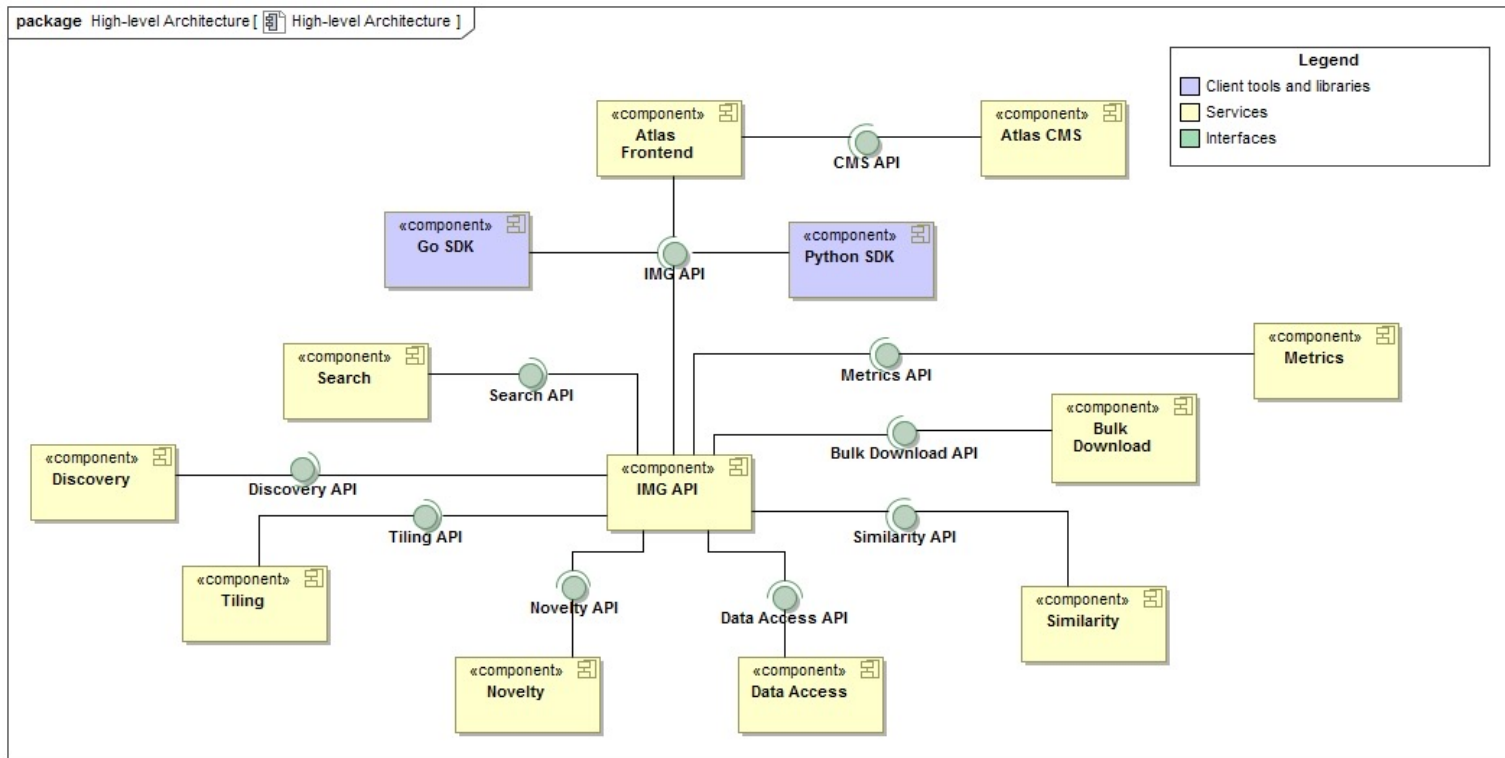
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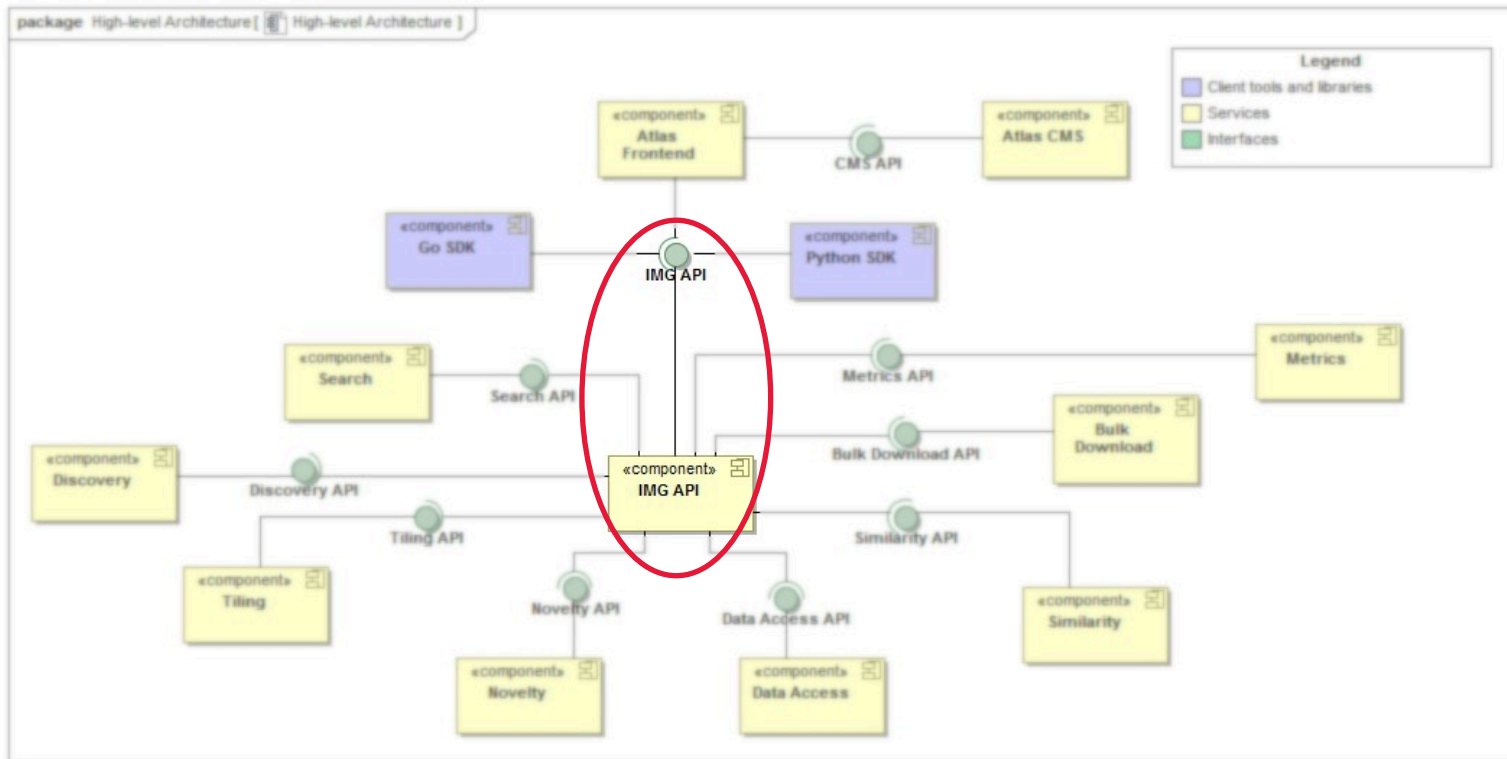
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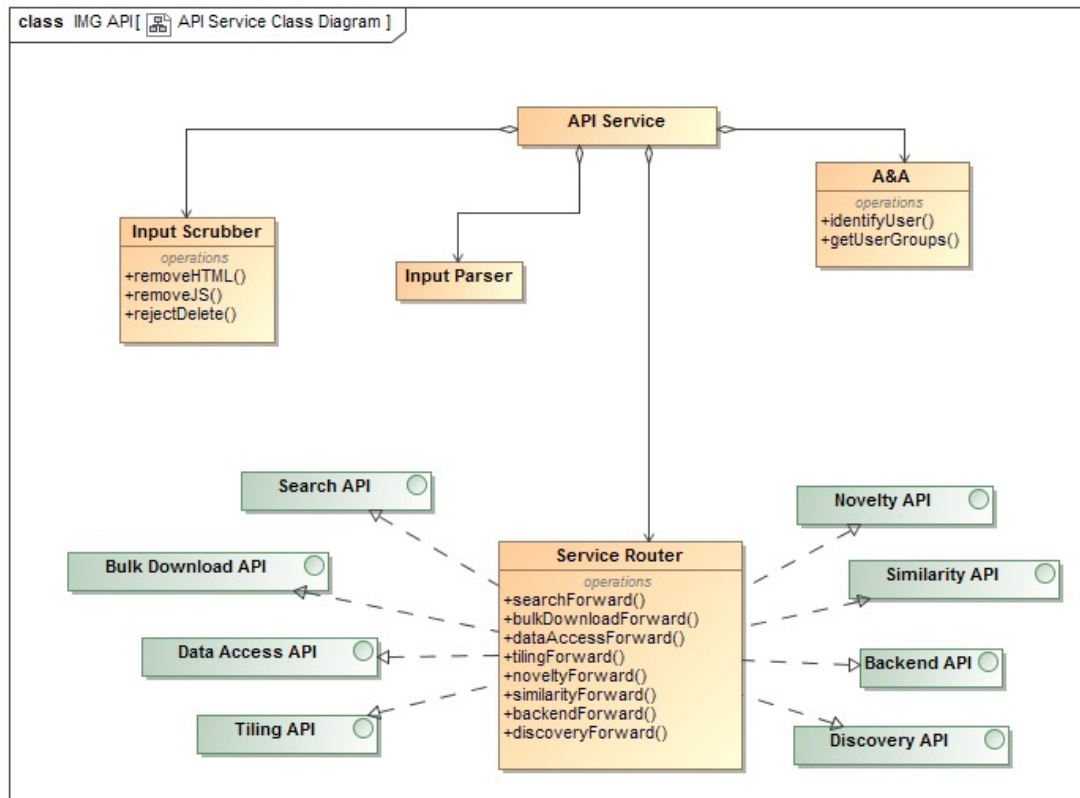
PDS IMG API

- Only service that allows direct incoming network traffic from users
- Single entry point to service network
- Imposes A&A
- Simple webapp defined by OpenAPI 3.0
- Internals of API service mesh can change without impacting user syntax



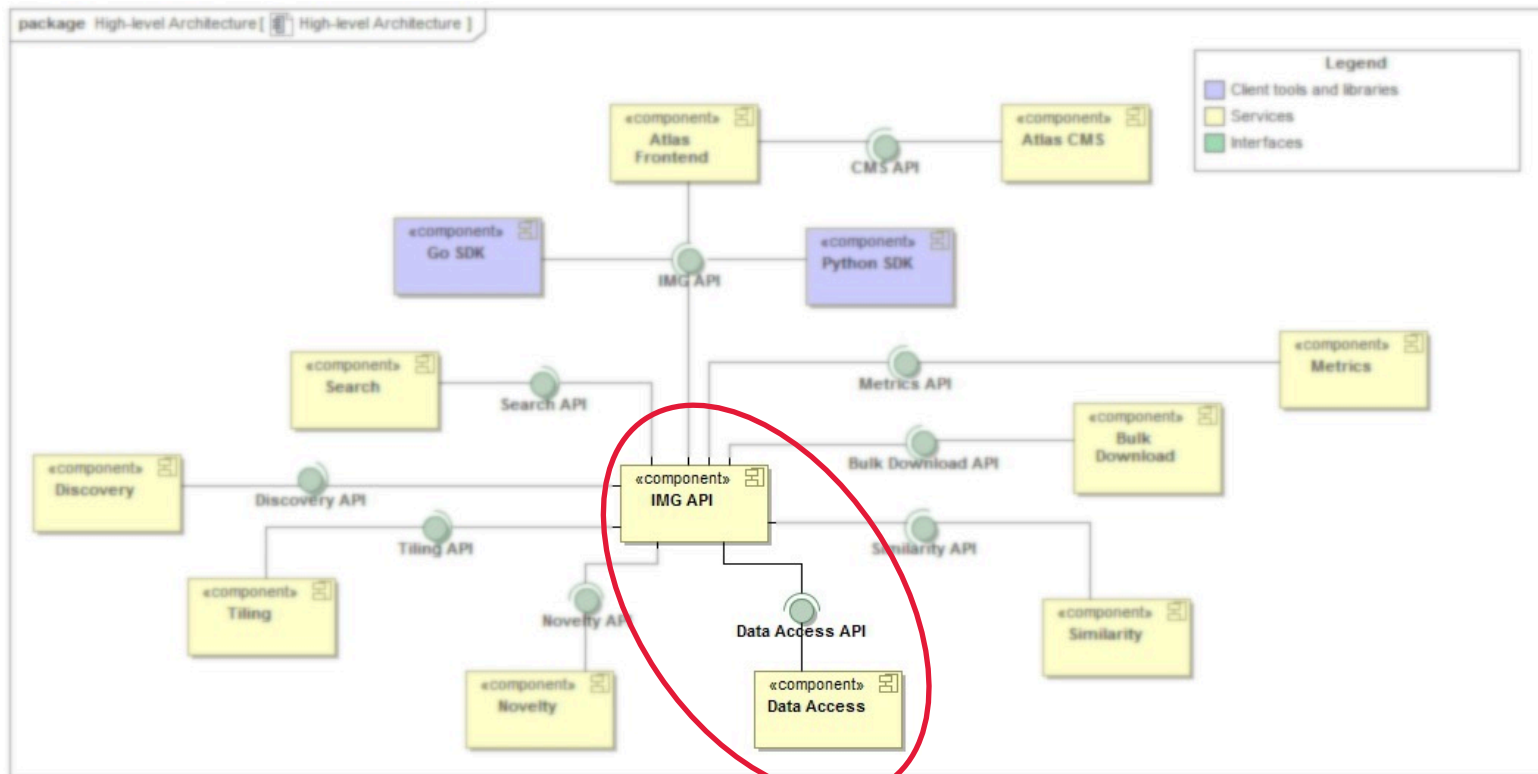
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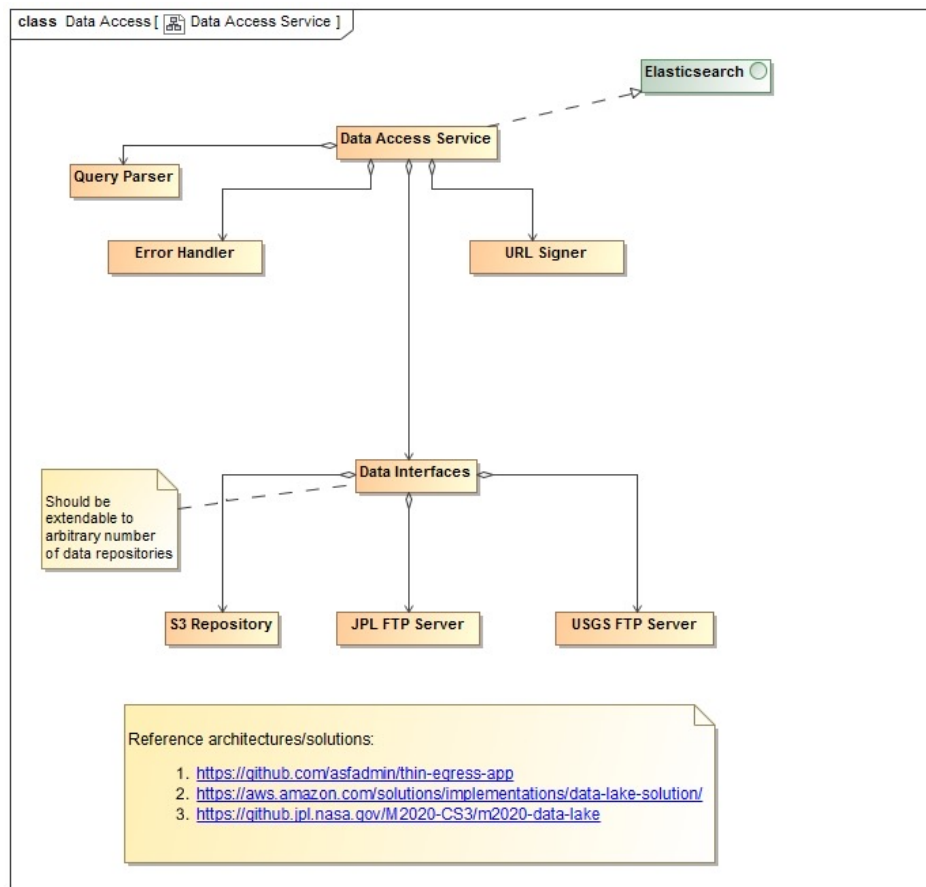
- Data stored on JPL premises, other data nodes, and in Amazon S3
- Need a way to route to multiple locations from a single URL
- Manage egress costs (taxpayer money) via user access control, maintaining unfettered access to data for all legitimate use
- Implementation inspired by Earth Science's TEA: <https://github.com/asfadmin/thin-egress-app>



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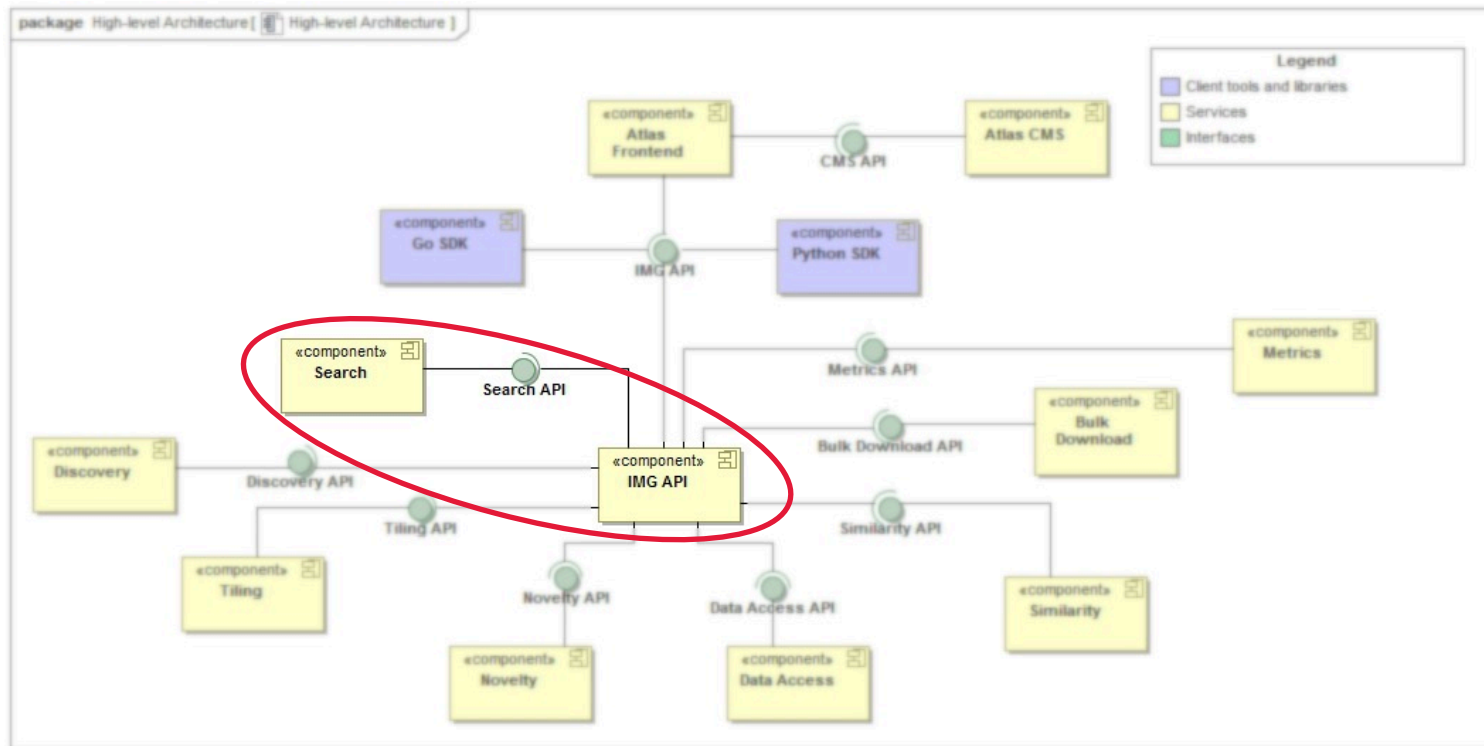
Data Access API

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https://pds-imaging.jpl.nasa.gov/data/cassini/{}
2. GET /data/m20/{}
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3. GET /data/lroc/{}
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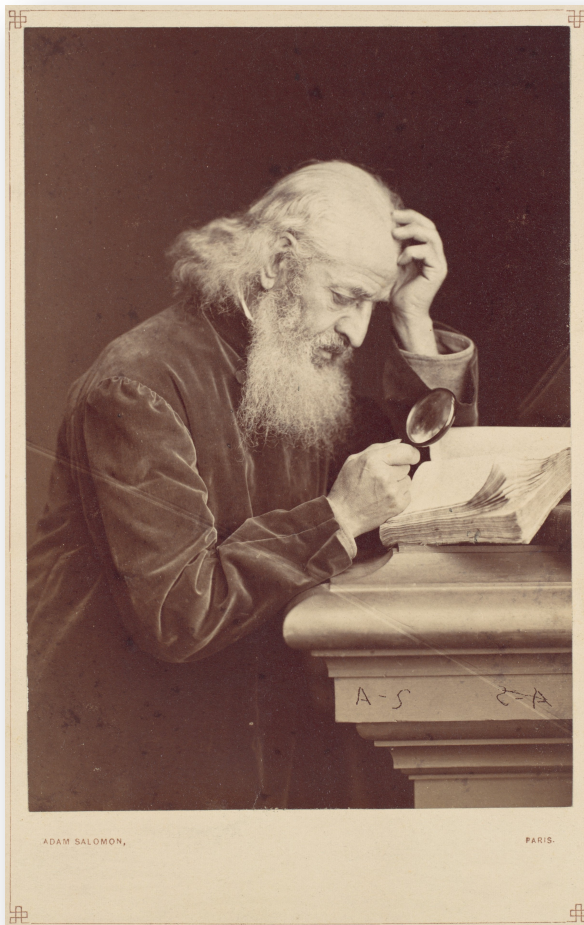
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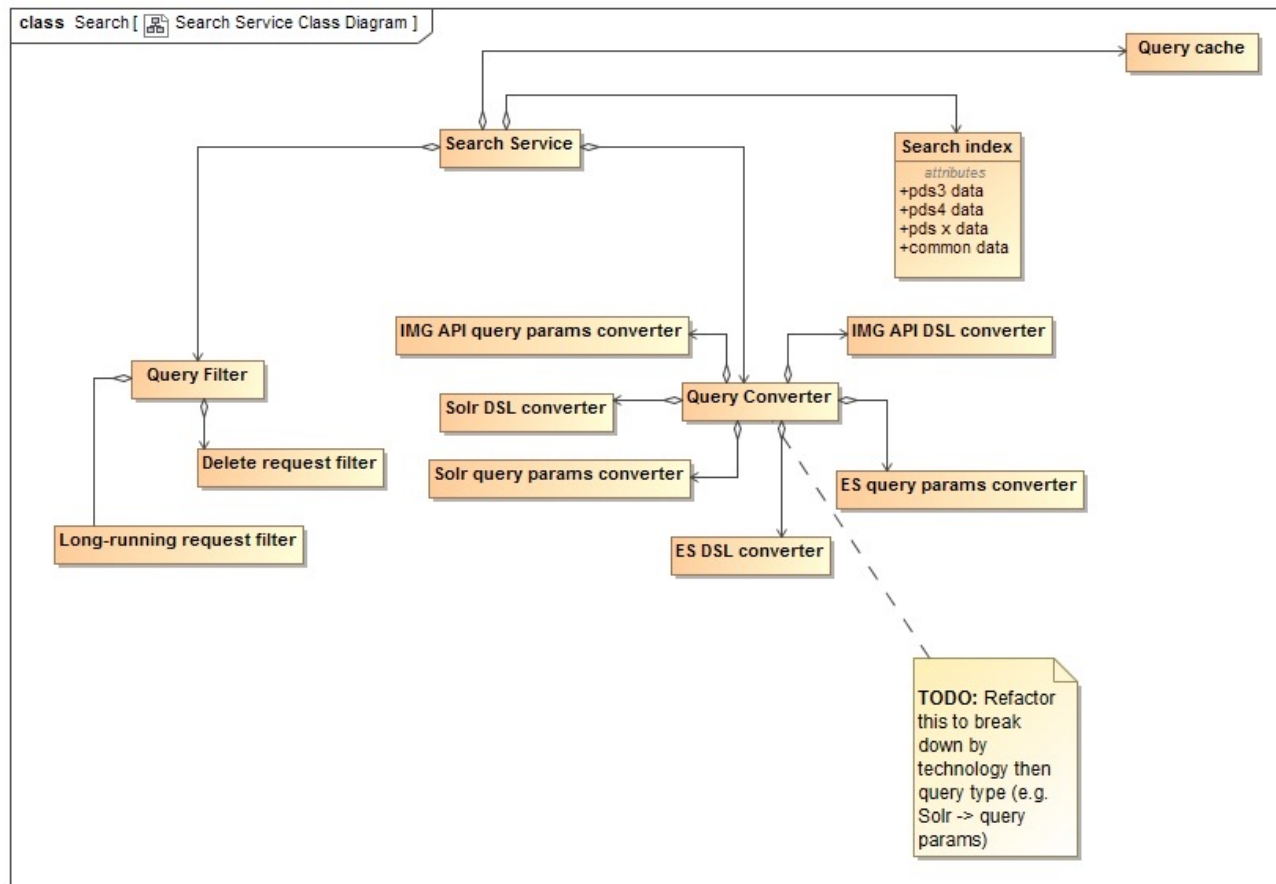
- Multiple search indexes breaking up data
- Indexes mirroring PDS3/PDS4 label contents
- Index for Atlas search
- Indexes for machine learning metadata
- Search API abstracts away Elasticsearch indexes into a simple-to-use API



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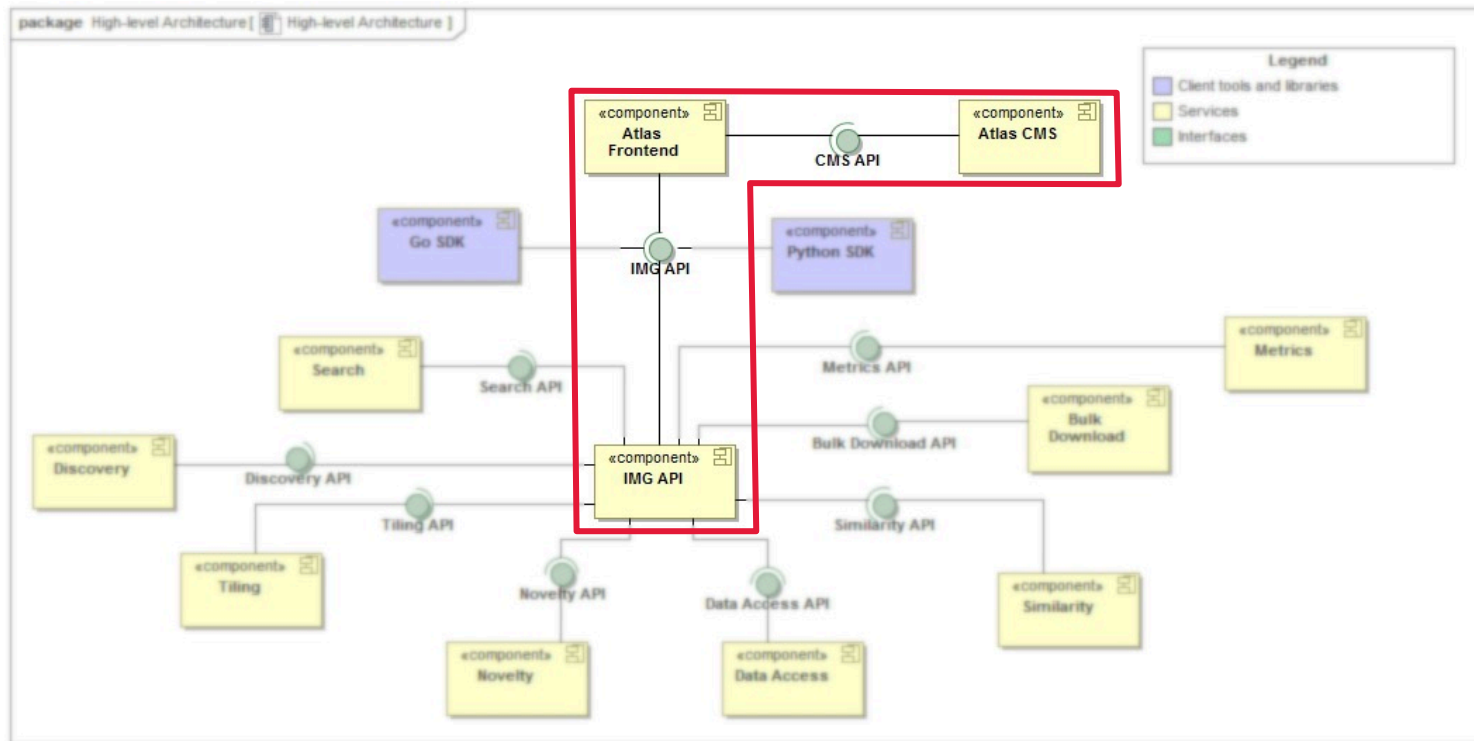
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2. GET /search?mission:m20&has:craters → 200
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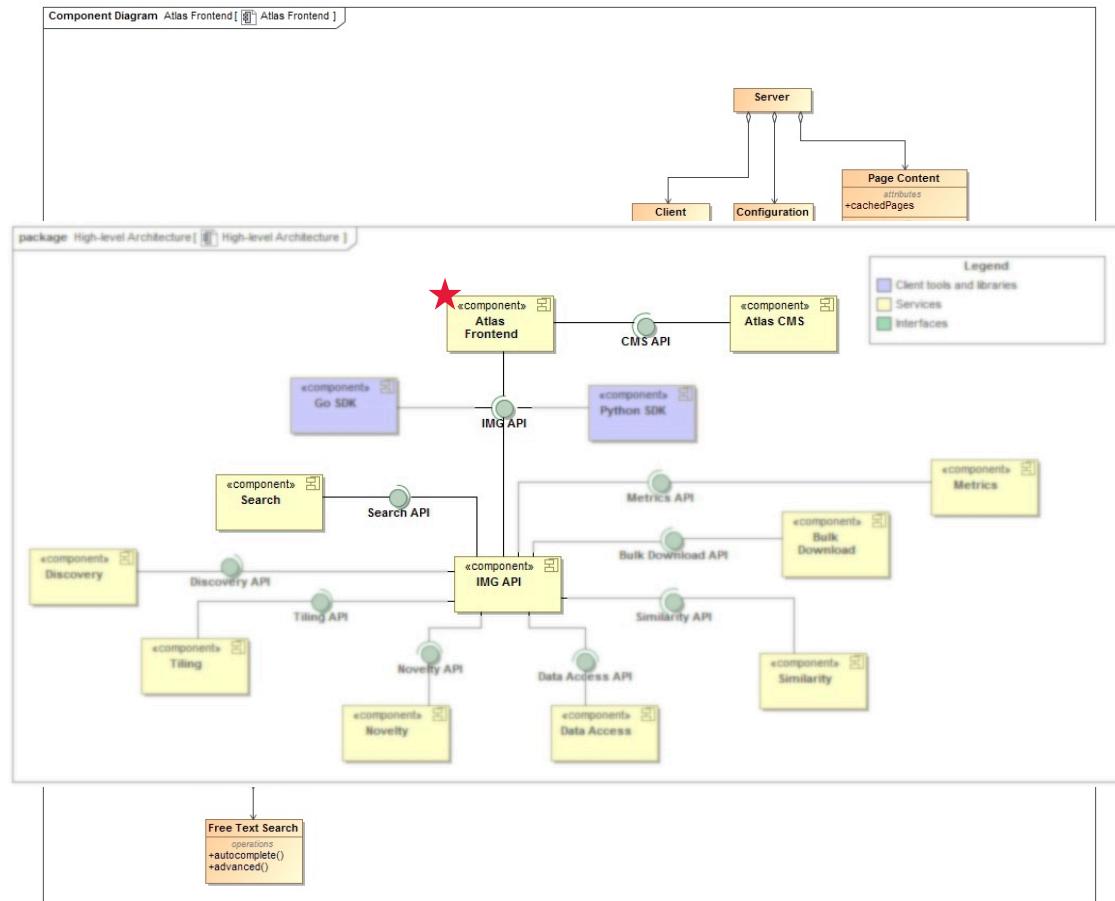
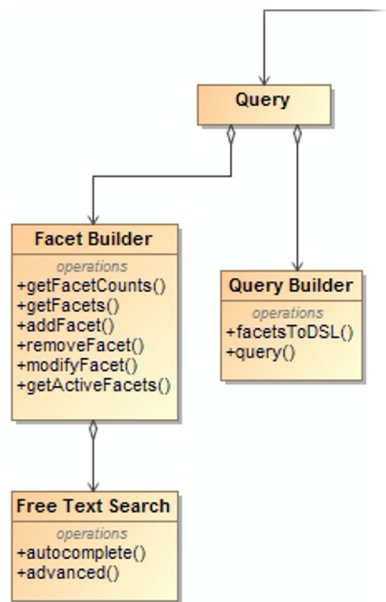
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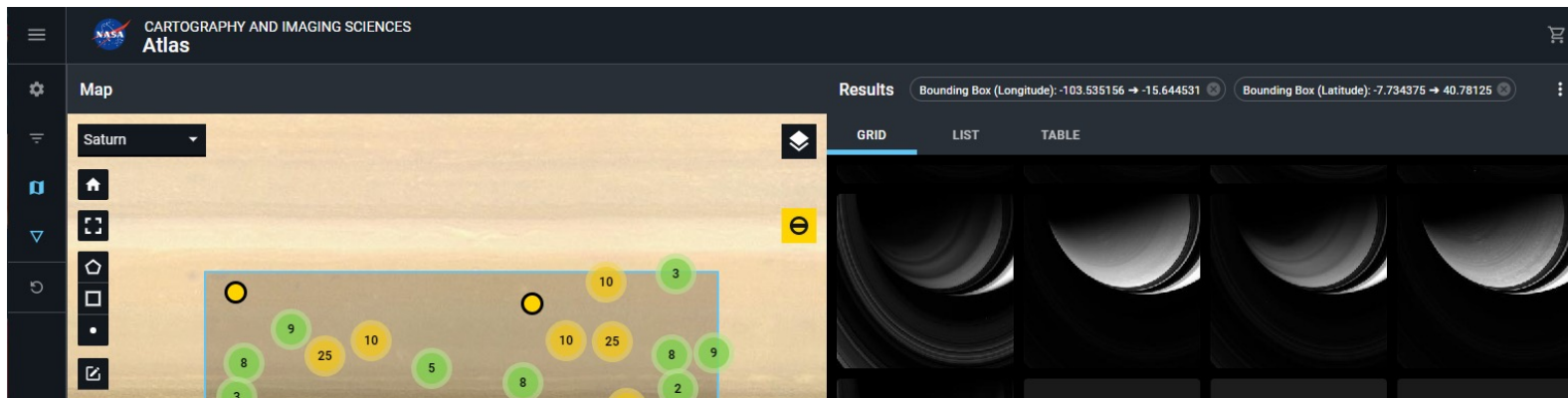
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Image Atlas client

- Redesign of existing Atlas III
- Uses PDS IMG API for search
- Stores state in database
- Just another client of PDS IMG API

Hi! Wanna learn more about what the cool new Atlas can do?

Be sure to tune in to the "Searching the Stars with Atlas IV" talk!



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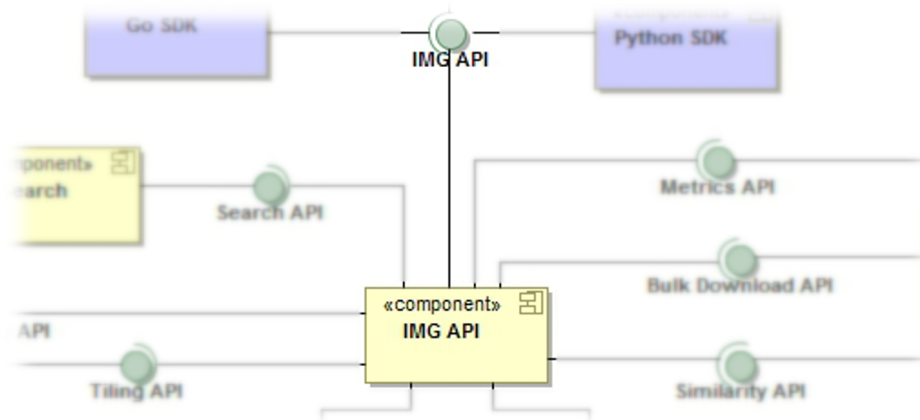
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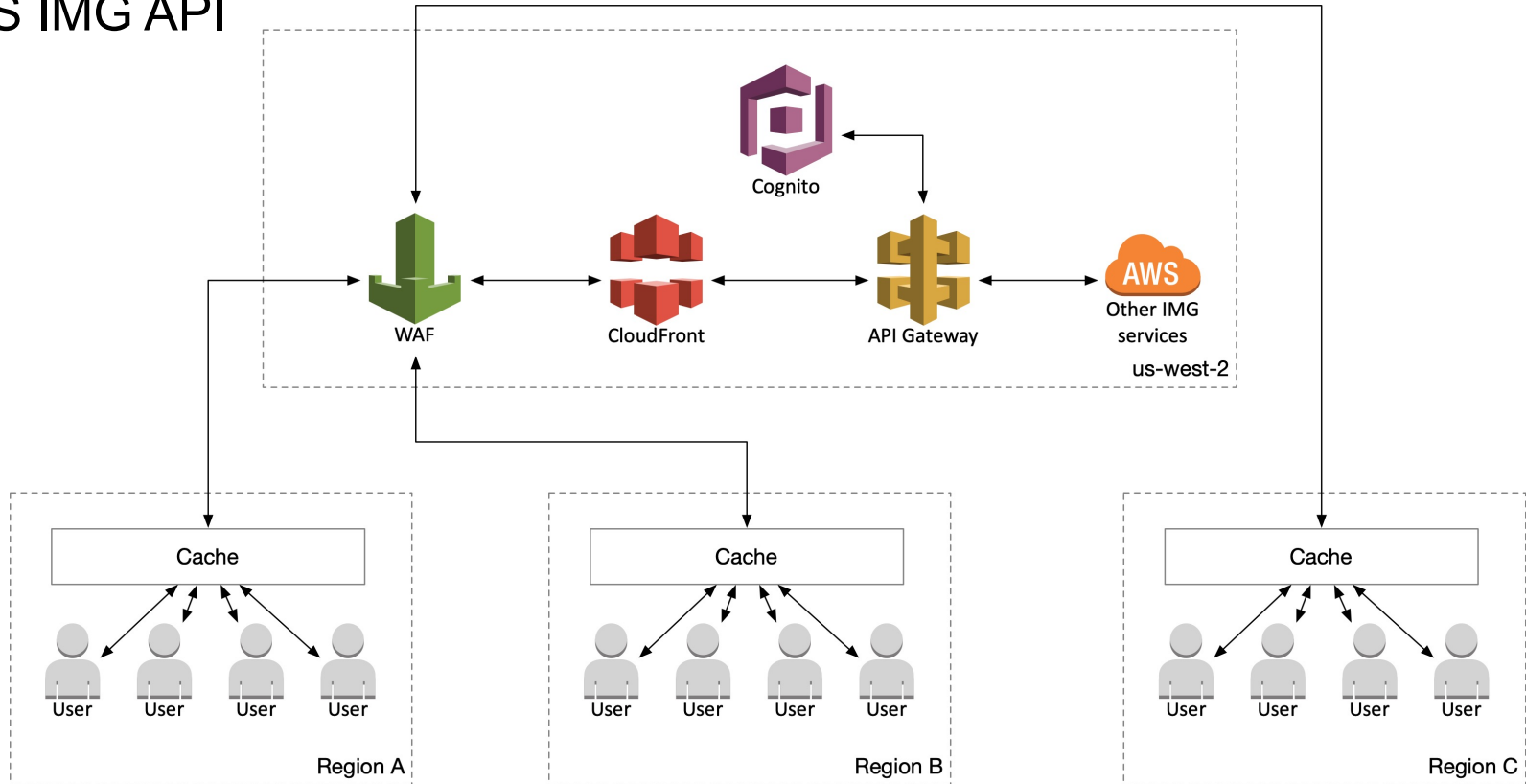
PDS IMG API

- CloudFront caching at the edge
 - Request caching
 - Per-geographical region basis
- WAF
 - Prevents application abuse
 - Configurable throttling and bypasses
- API Gateway (using OpenAPI 3.0 standard)
 - Routes requests to appropriate service
 - Supports versioning
- Amazon Cognito (tokens)
 - Integrates with different identity providers (JPL LDAP, Google, Facebook)



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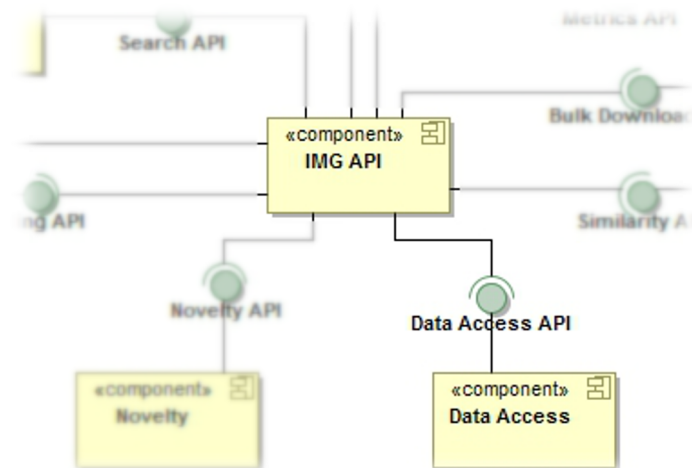
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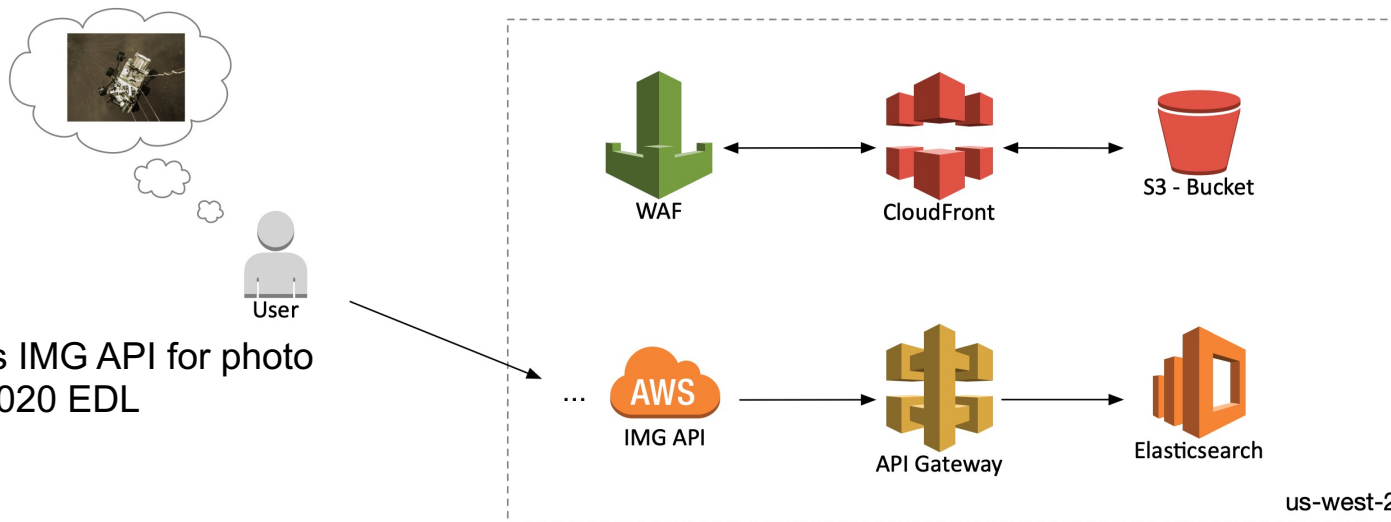
Data Access API

- CloudFront
 - Caching at edge
 - Data caching
 - API calls vs. multimedia transfer
 - URL signing
- WAF
 - Prevent abusive asset transfer
 - “No, you can’t just download the whole archive, sorry”
- S3 & BeeGFS for storage
- API Gateway (w/ OpenAPI 3.0) for routing



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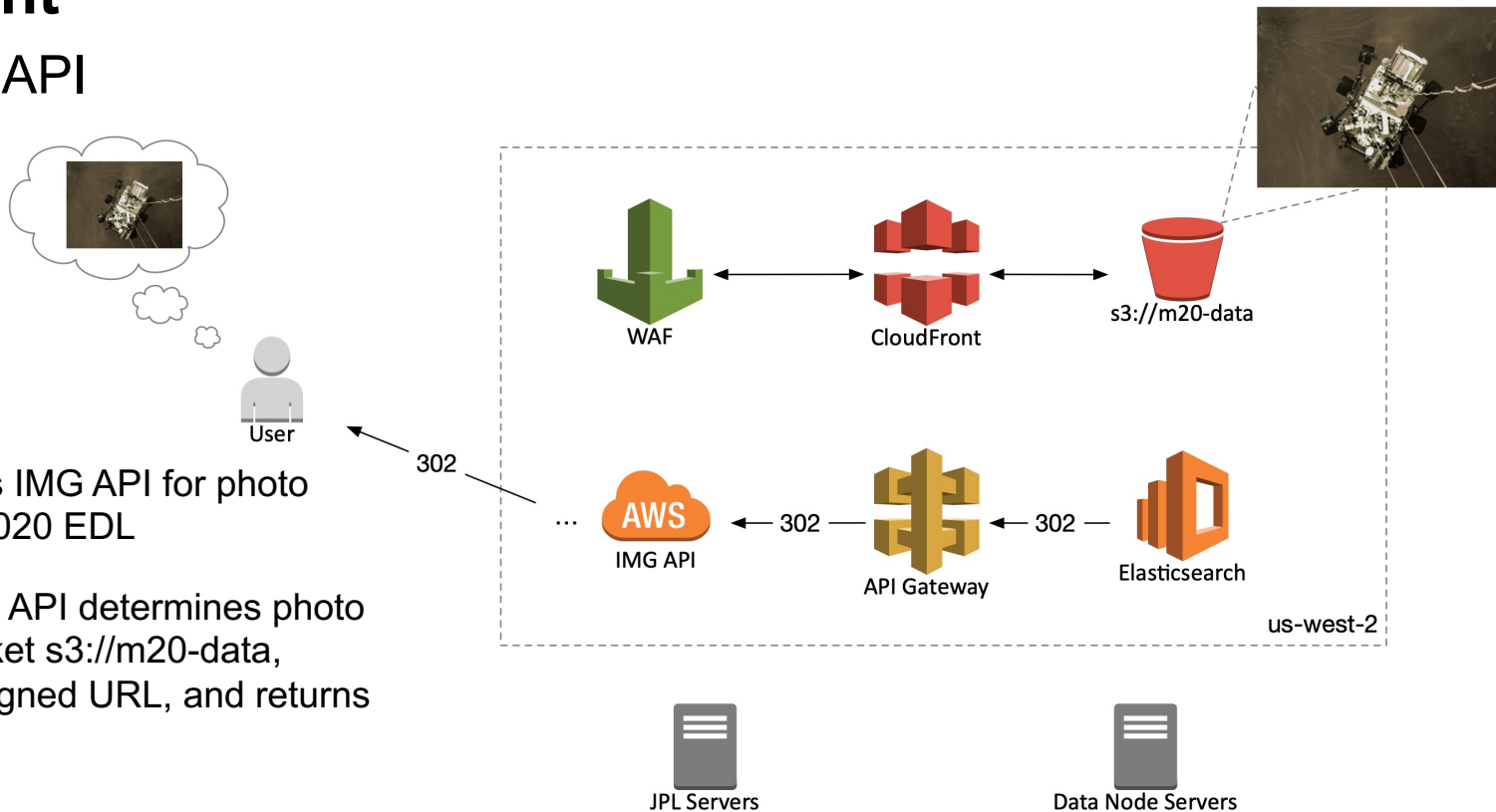
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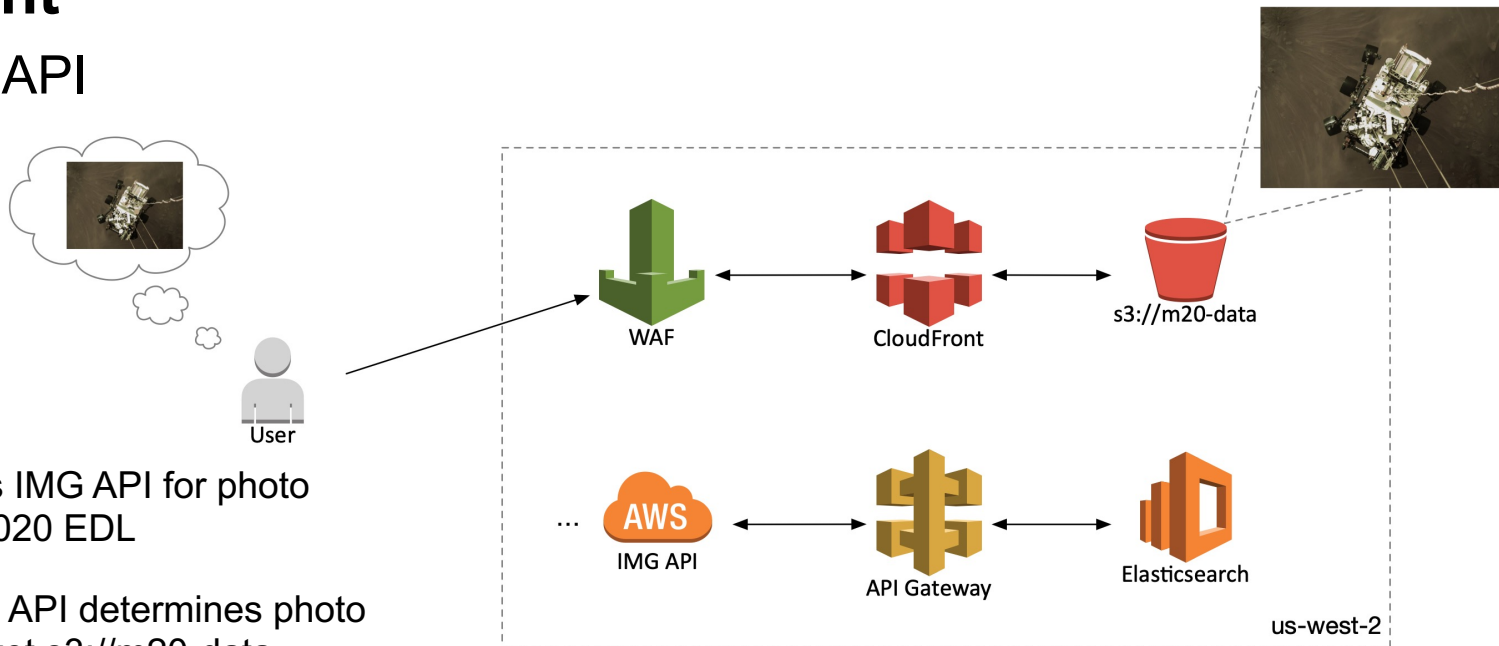
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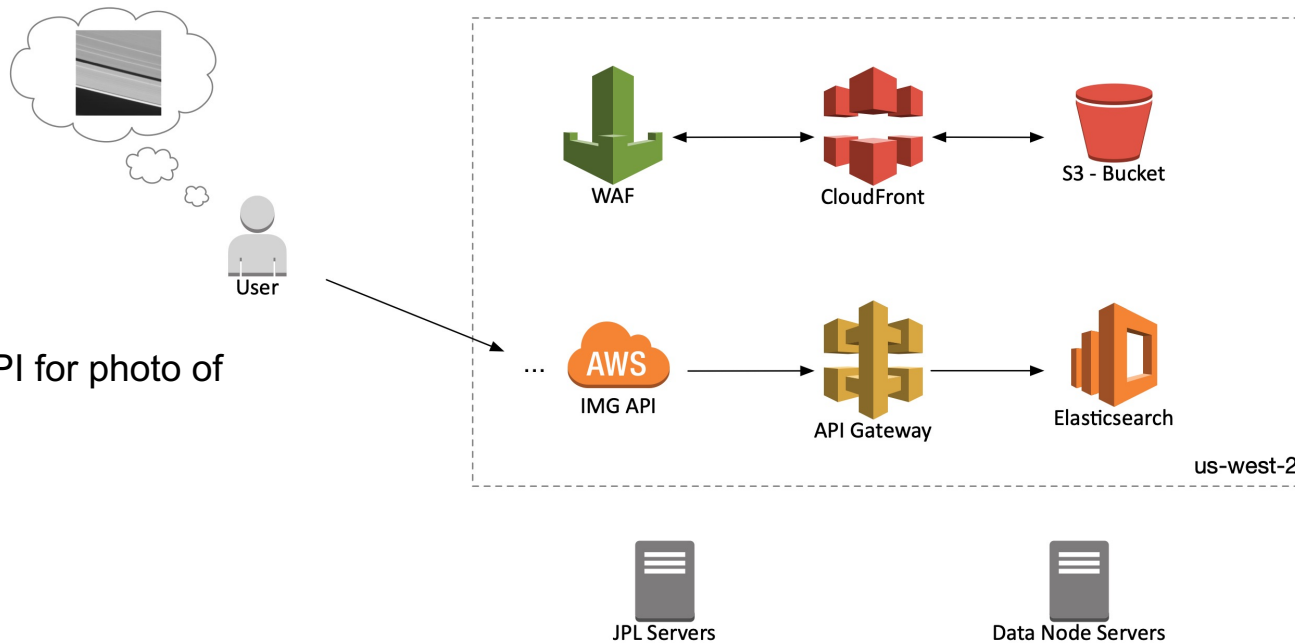
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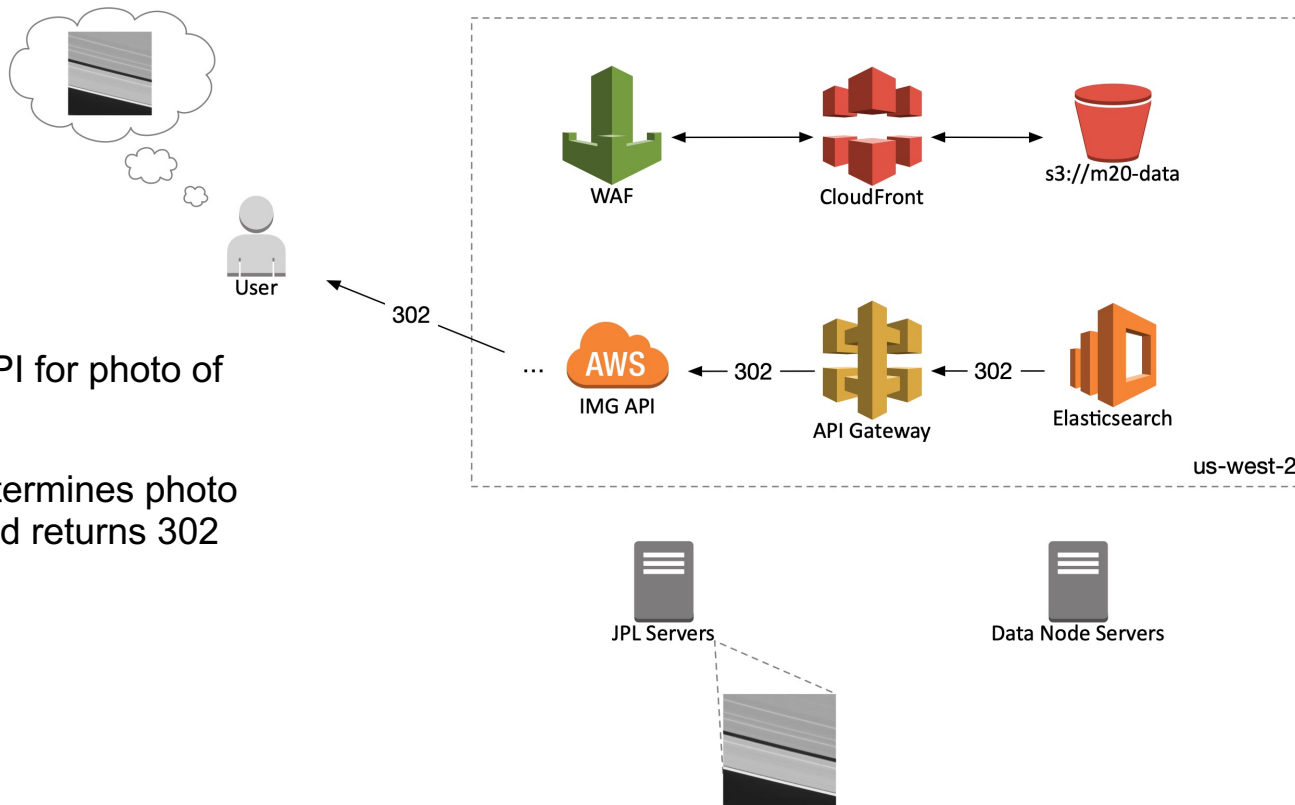
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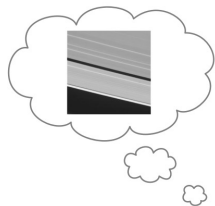
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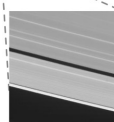
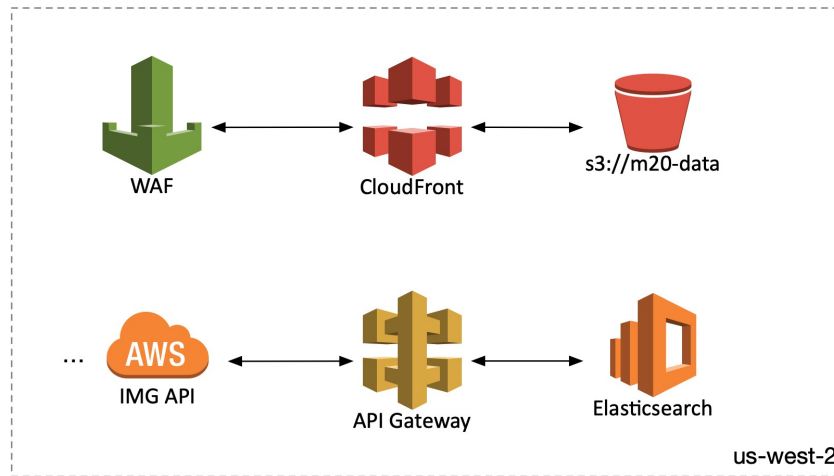
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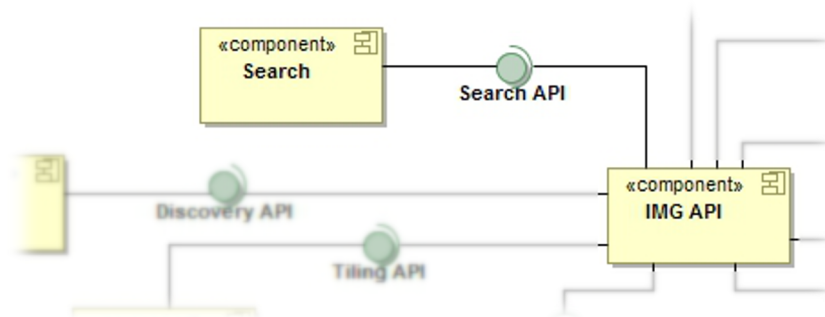
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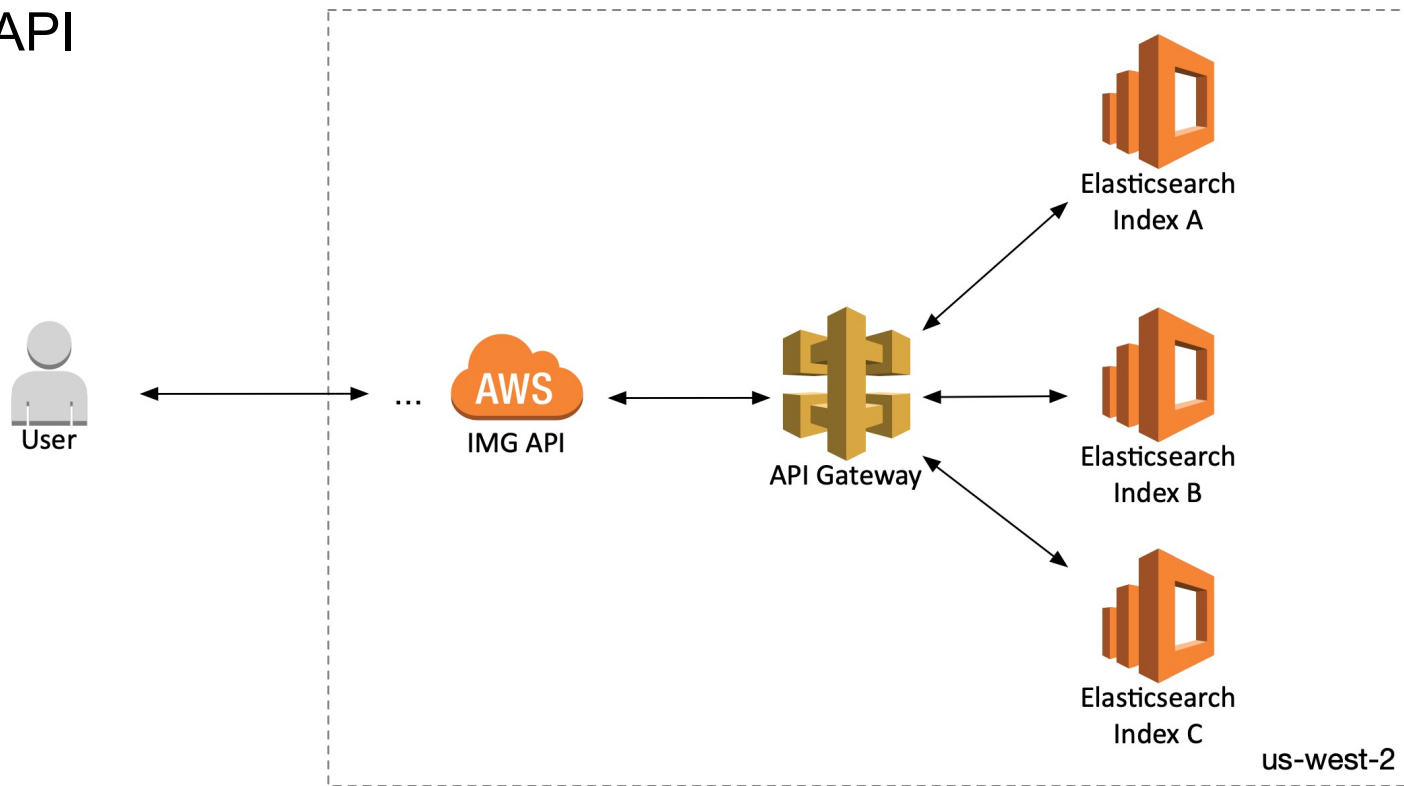
Search API

- CloudFront
- API Gateway
 - Routes to appropriate ES index
- Managed Elasticsearch
 - Single-button upgrades
 - Easy to setup and maintain



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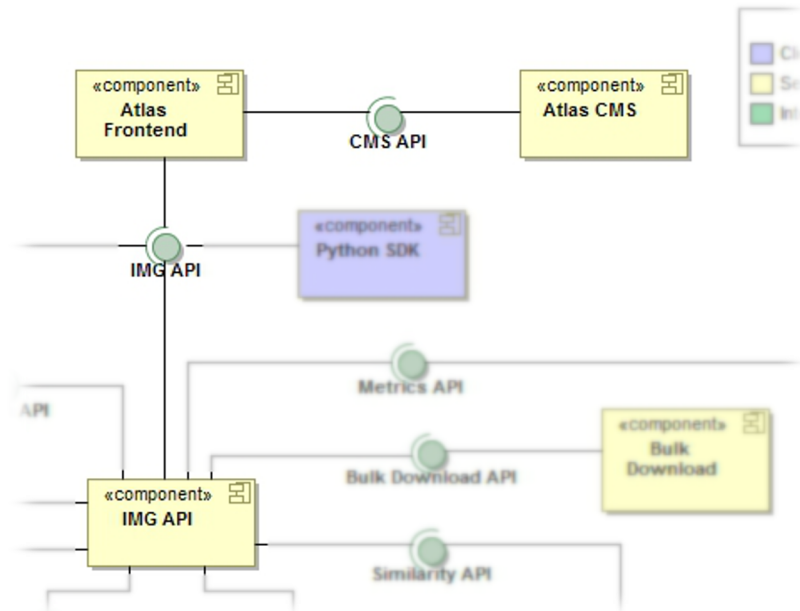
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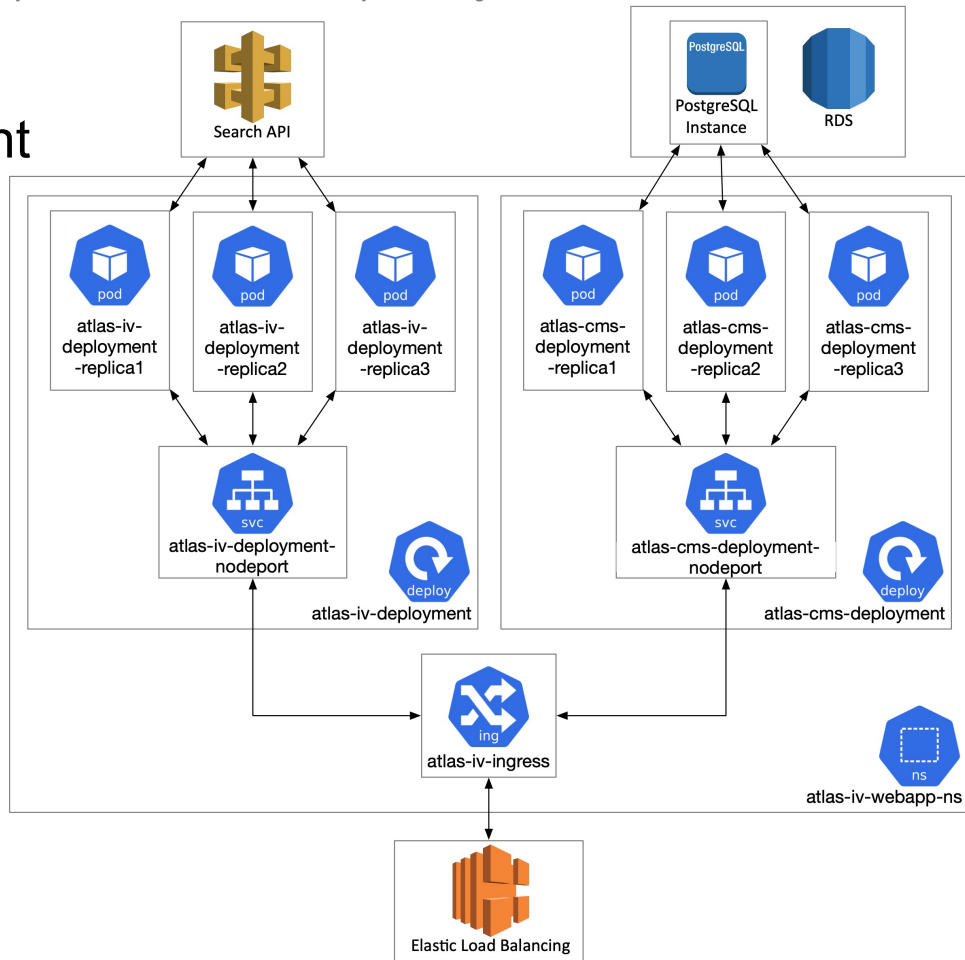
Image Atlas Client

- ReactJS application built into a Docker image
- Wrapped in a Kubernetes Deployment
- Stores some state in Strapi CMS
- Queries Search API for image products to render
- Kubernetes manifests packaged as a Helm chart
- Deployed using AWS's Elastic Kubernetes Service (EKS)



Deployment

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Conclusions

- Microservice architectures enable diverse applications to interact with each other and form a complete system
- Cloud computing is entirely feasible for data archival workloads
- Serving data from the cloud can be cost-efficient if the proper safeguards are put in place

It's me again! Want to know more about how much it costs to run a system like this?

Be sure to tune in to the "Experiments in Transferring, Validating, and Releasing Mars 2020 Mission Archival Multi-Media and Imagery Data Deliveries in the Cloud"!



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- Integrate with PDS API being developed by ENG
- Develop SDKs to interact with various API features (Python libraries, Go modules, etc)
- Additional API work
 - Bulk download
 - Metrics

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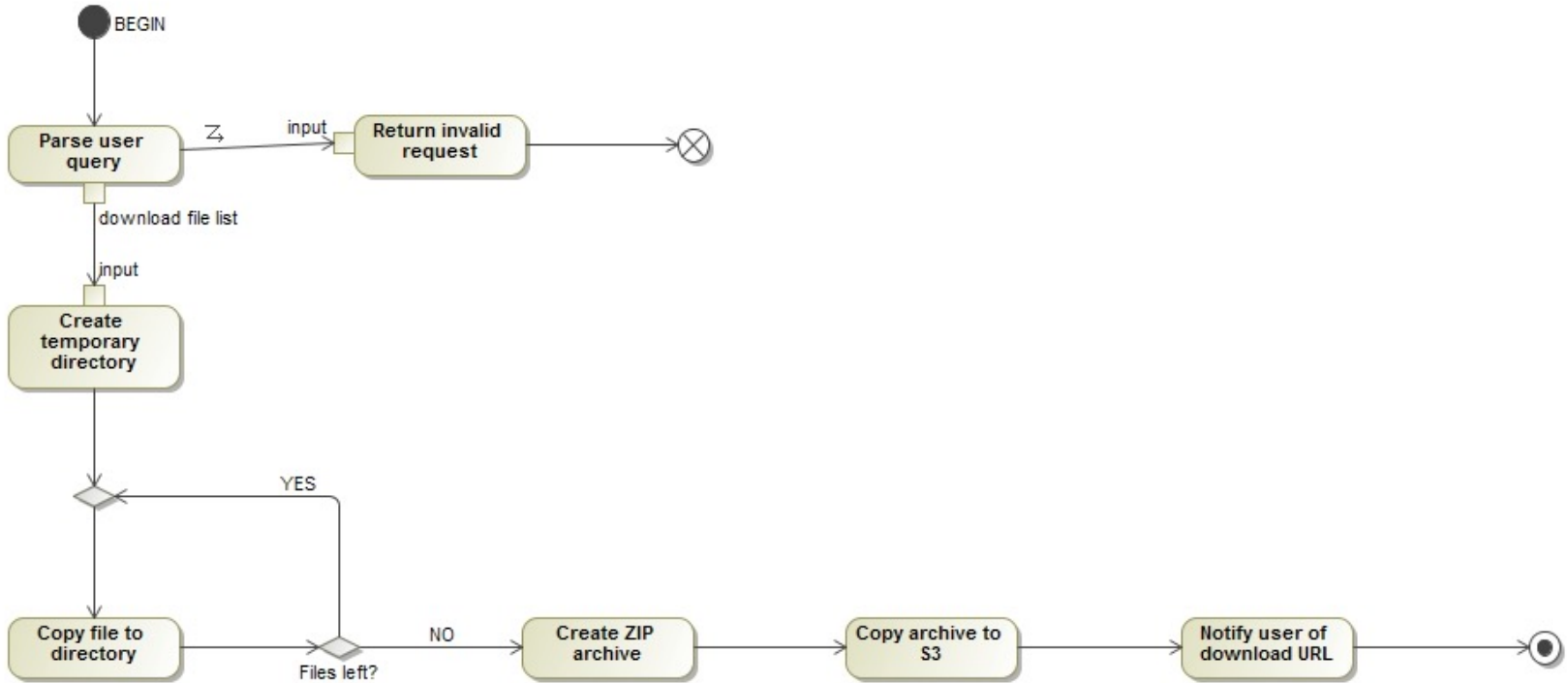
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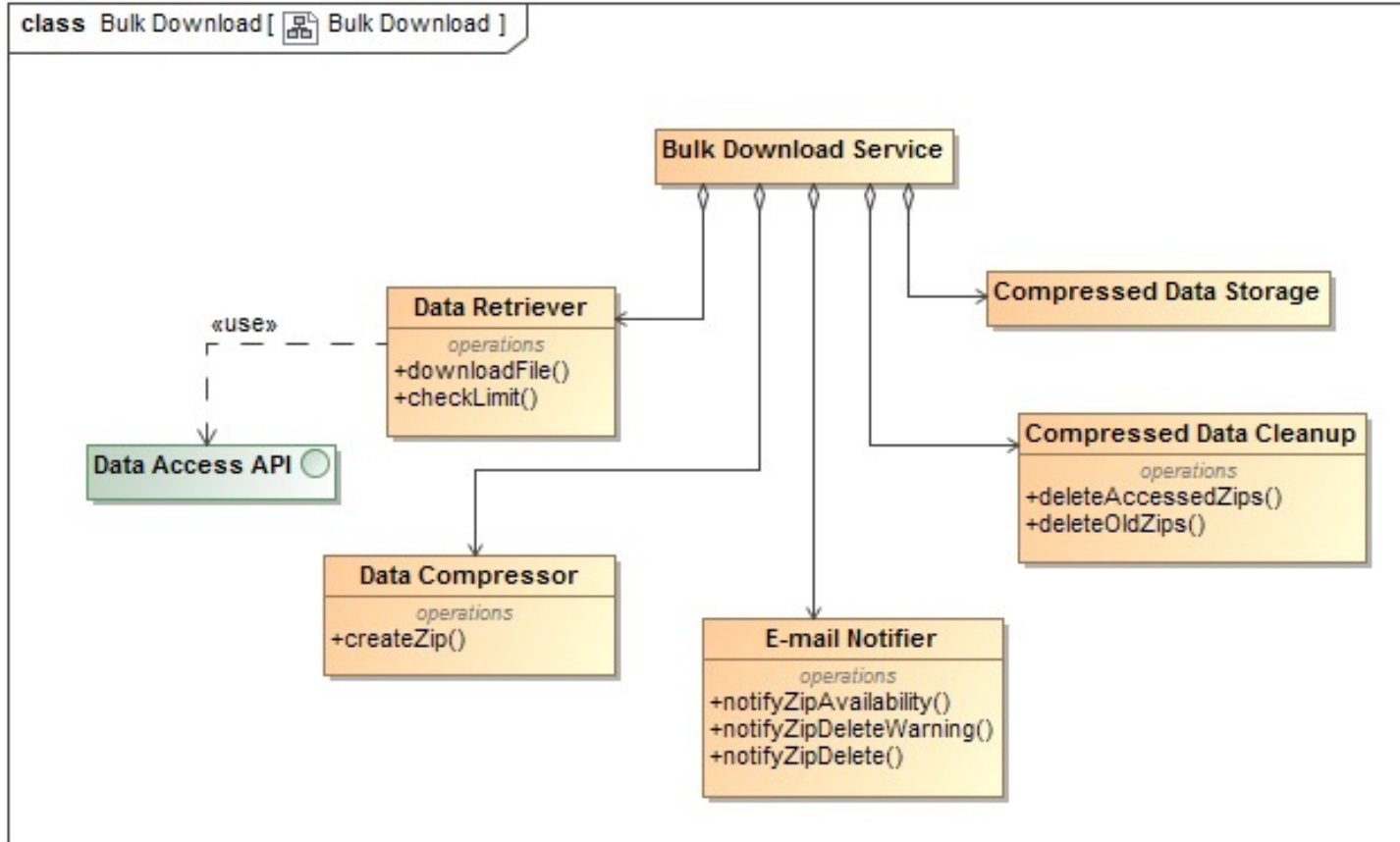


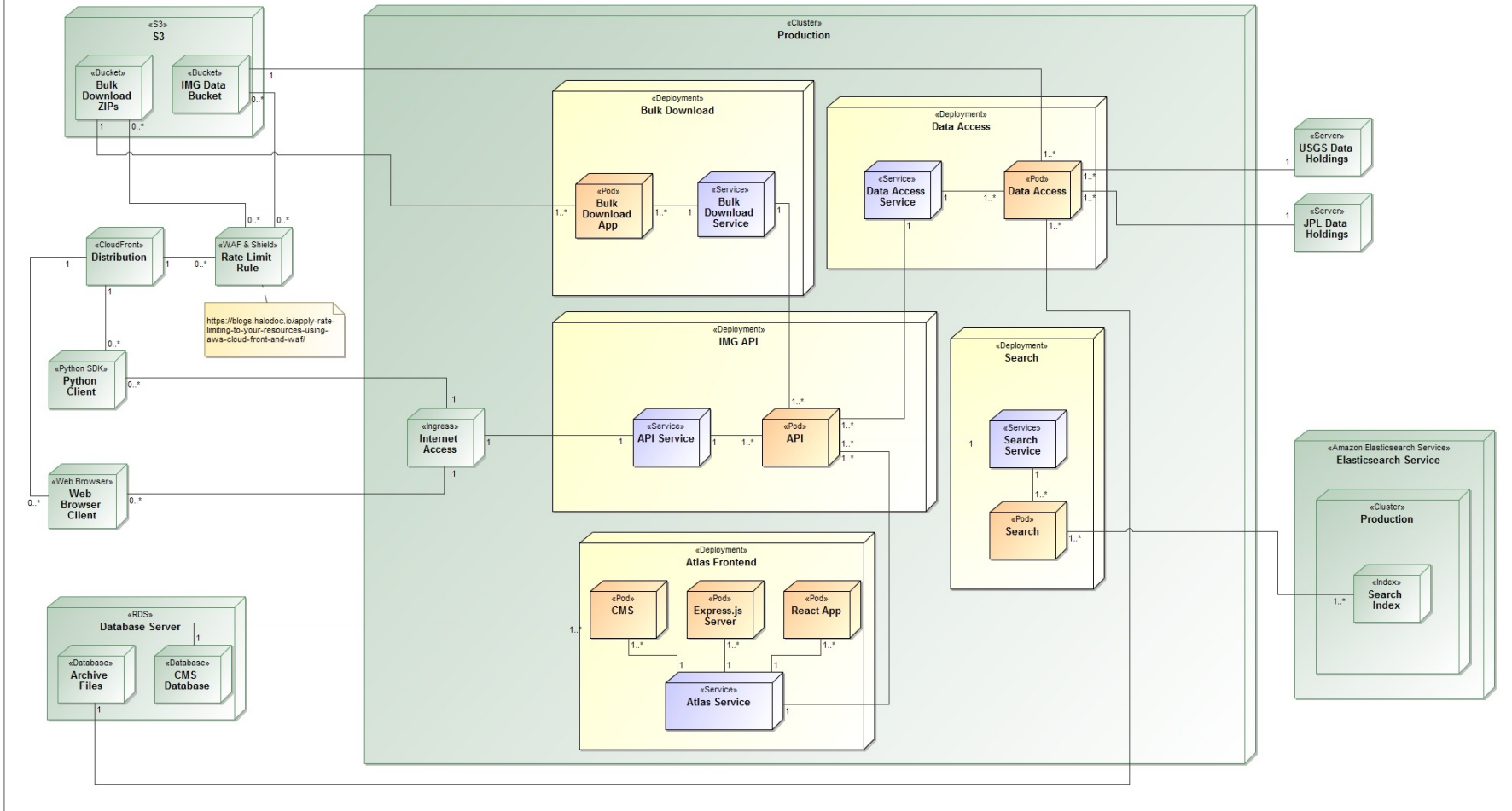
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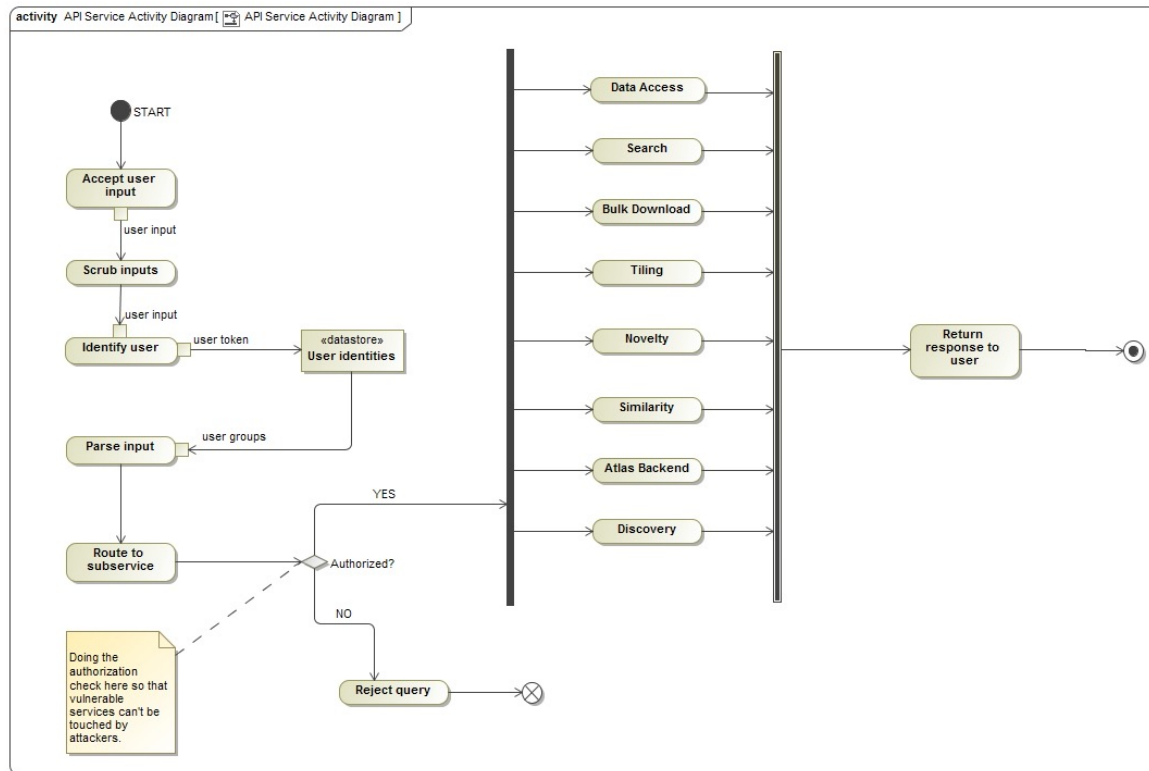






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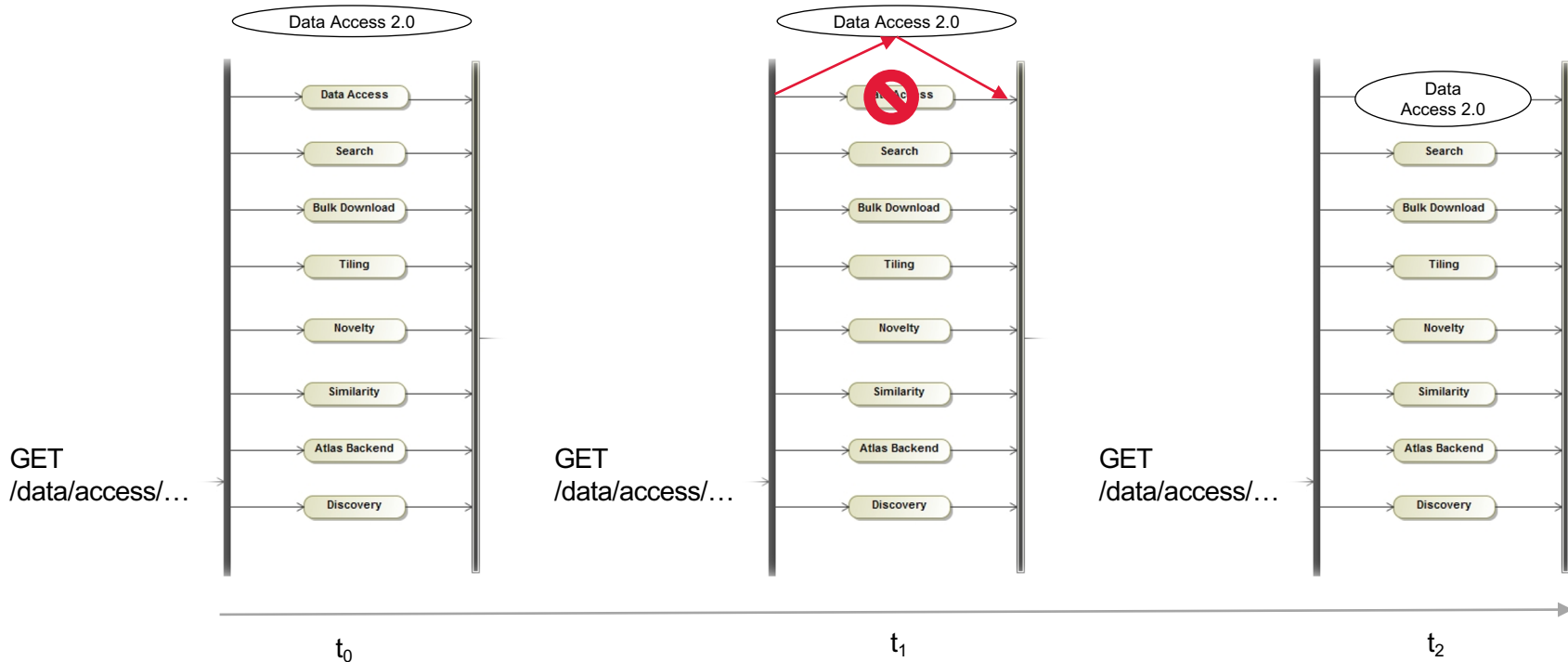
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Scenario: upgrade “Data Access Service” from v1.0 to v2.0

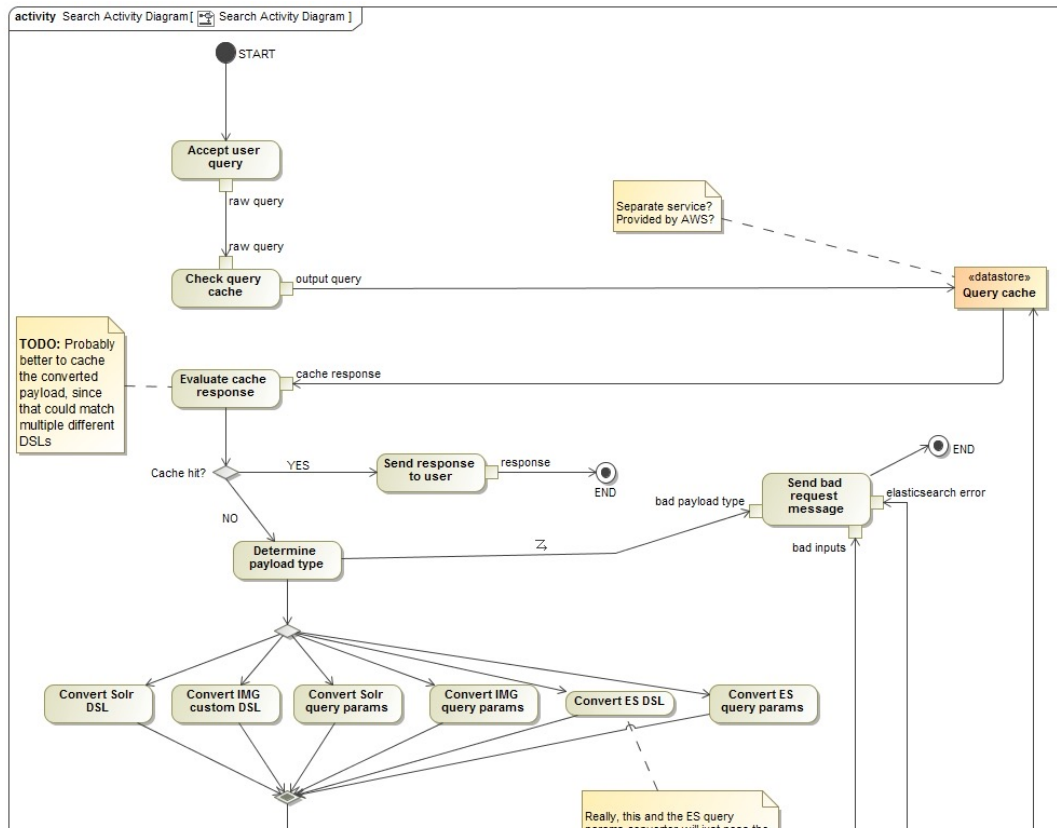
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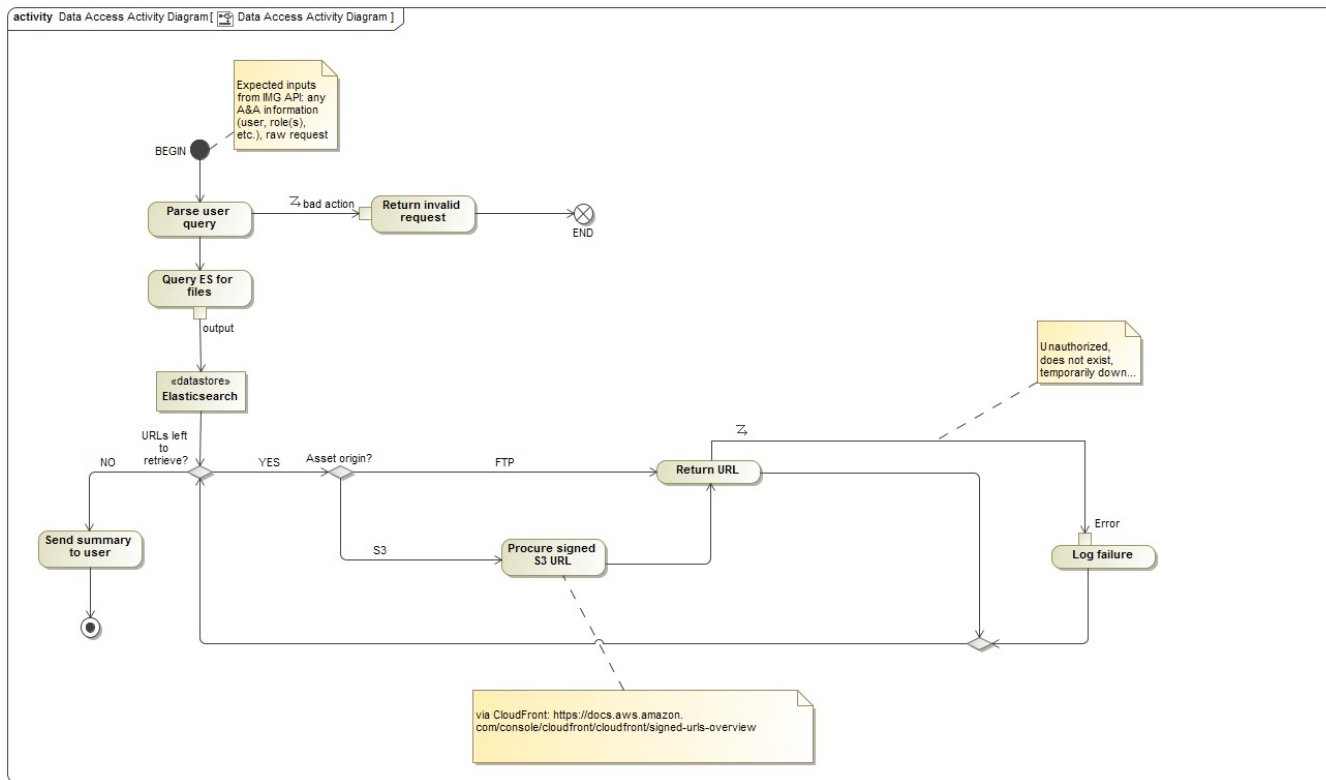
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