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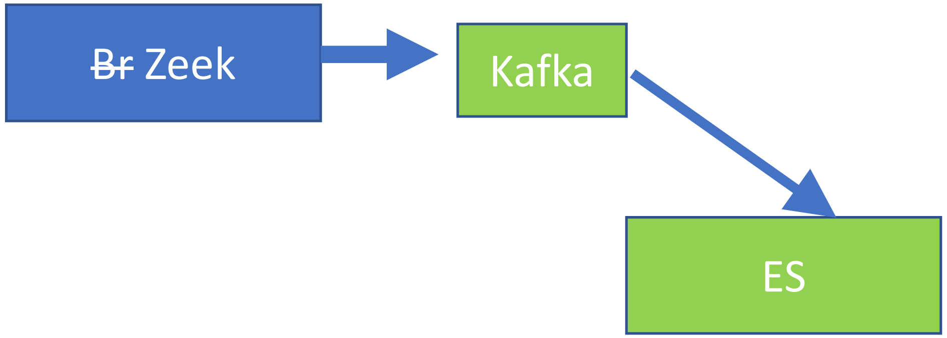

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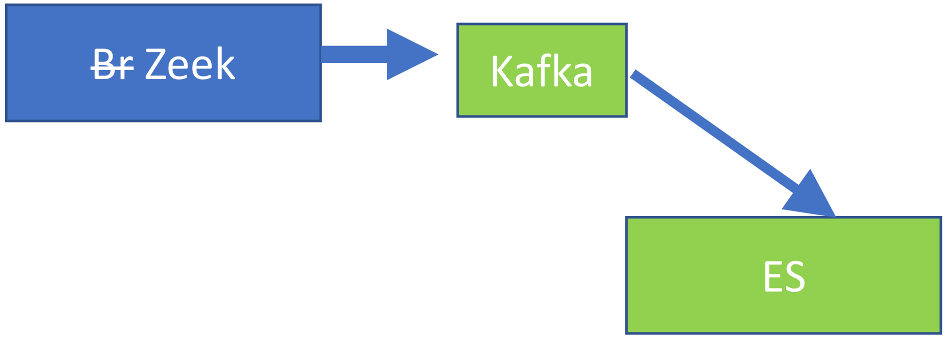

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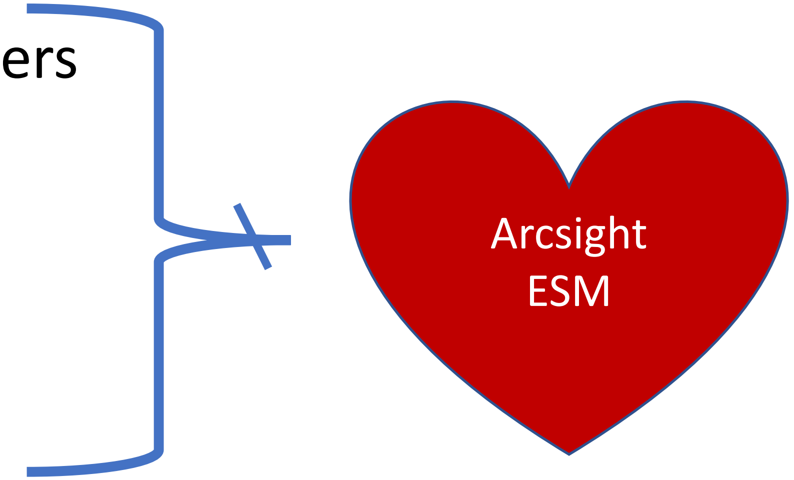

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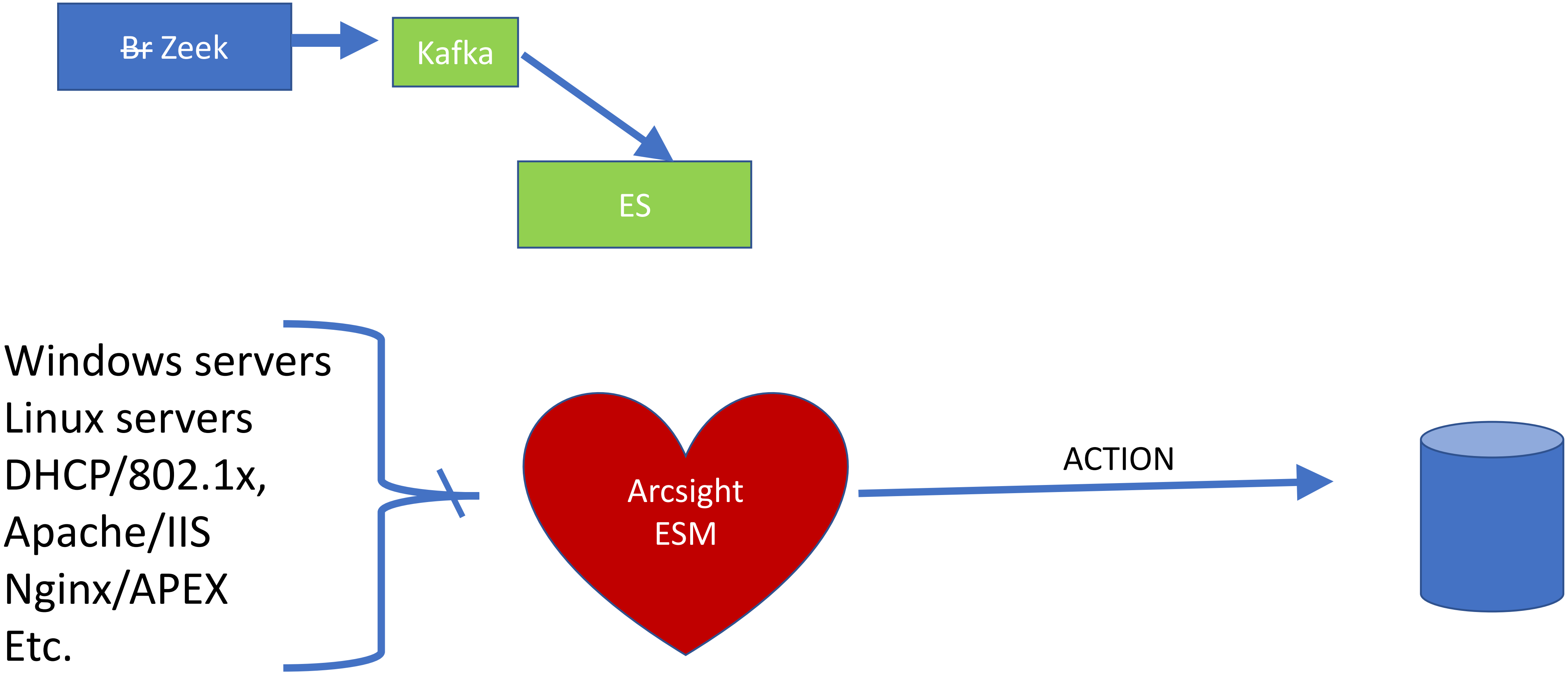

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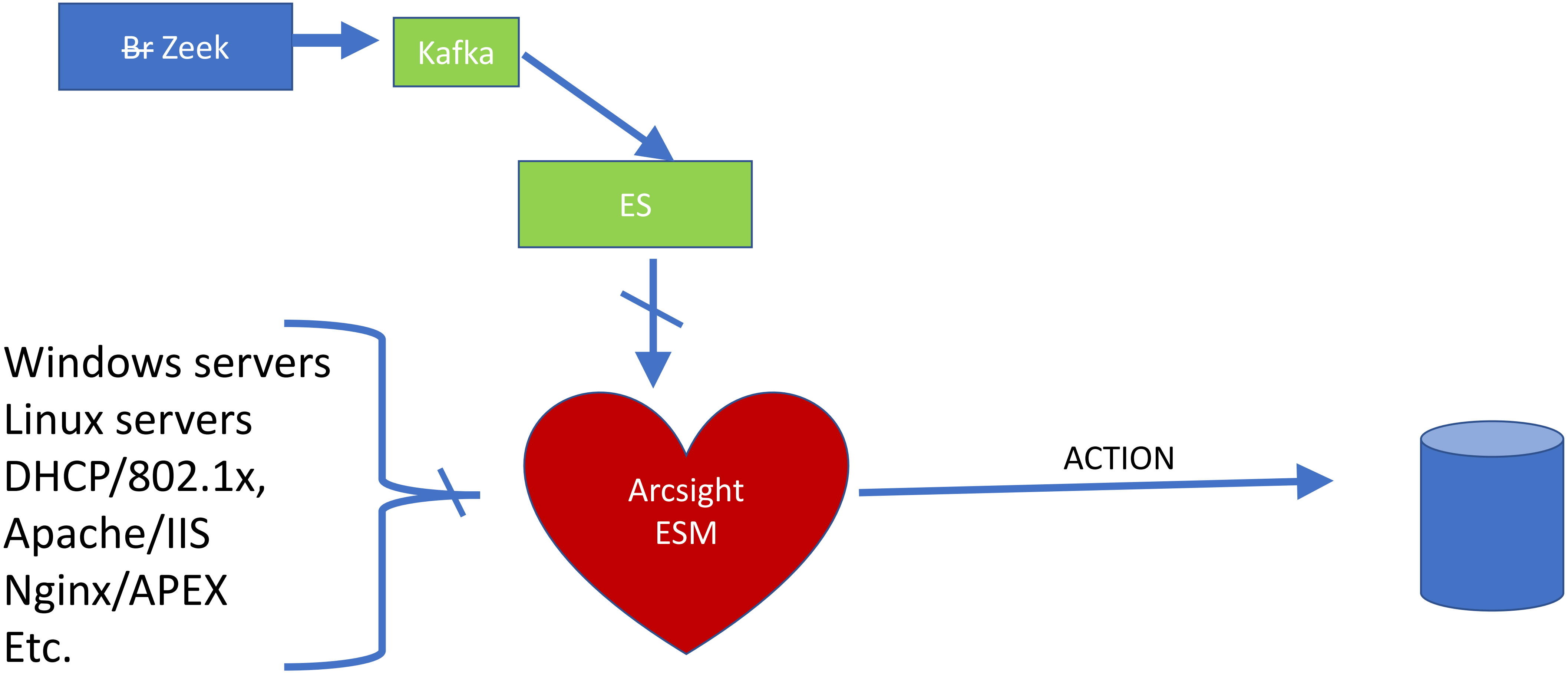

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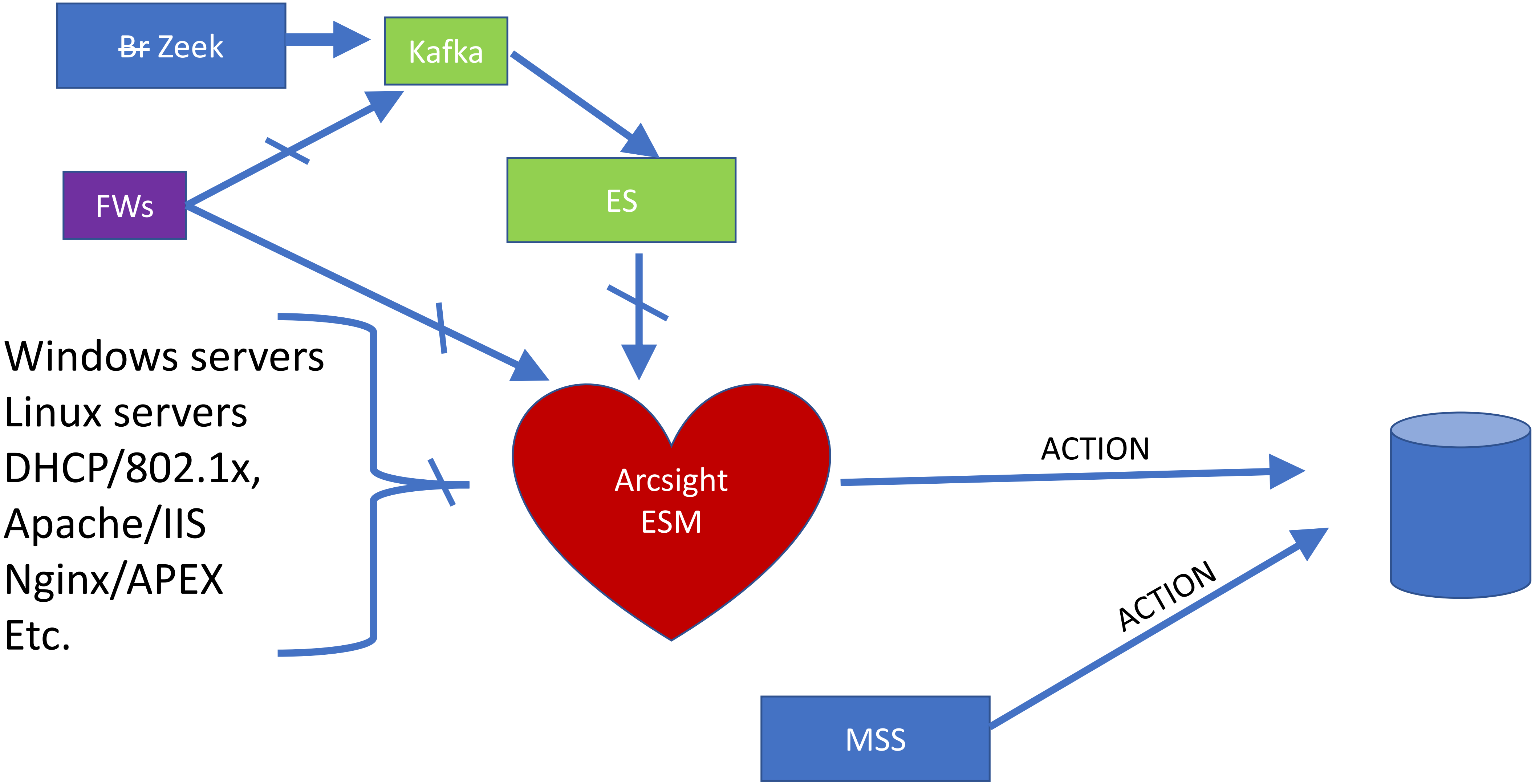

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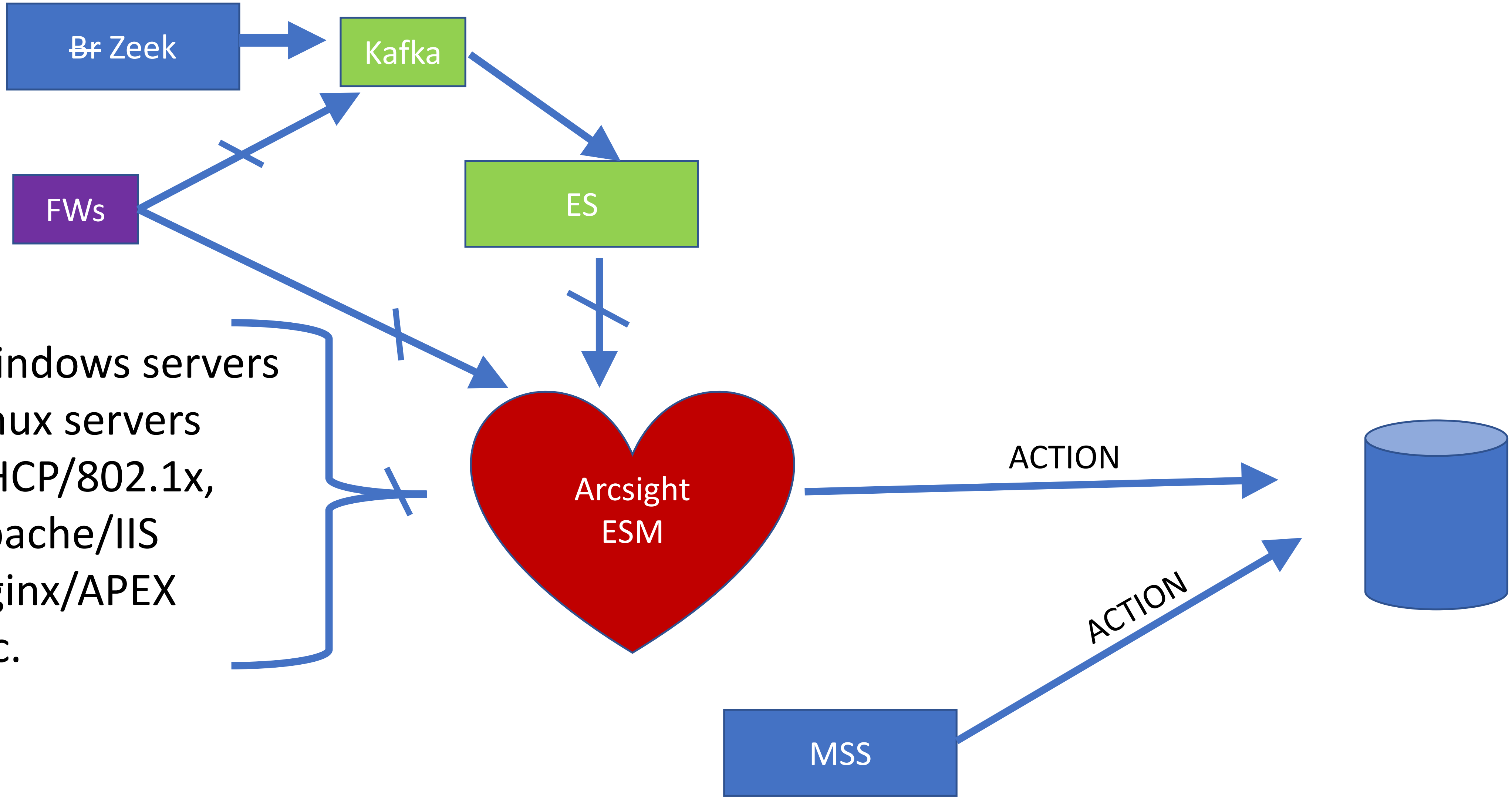

Normal Event ‘flow’

- Taps feed ~~br~~ zeek
- Zeek feeds elasticsearch (ES) via a kafka buffer
- Analyst can search in ES using kibana
- ES sends filtered things to the SIEM
- SIEM does correlation, add user detail, etc
  - No sense in rebuilding the SIEM
- SIEM alerts on “bad things” and sends alert to tix

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