First Friday Tech Happy Hour

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EventStoreDB

The database for Event Sourcing

HISTORY

Greg Young

2007 - Formalized CQRS/ES

2012 - Released EventStore v1

“When you start modelling events, it forces you to think about the behaviour of the system. As opposed to thinking about the structure of the system.”

Meet Ouro!

The EventStore Mascot

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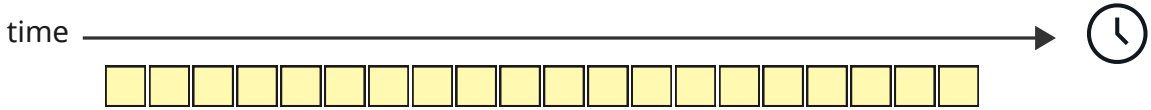
What's EventStoreDB all about?

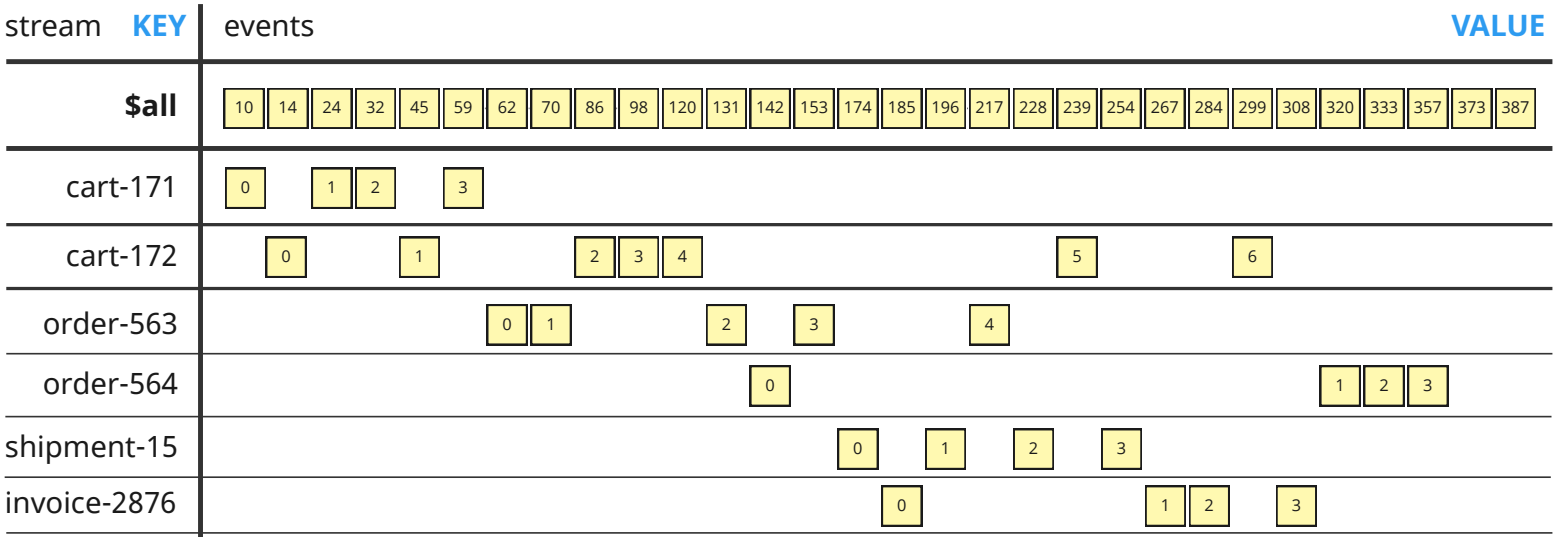
Storage of data into streams of immutable events



Guaranteed writes
Guaranteed ordering
Optimistic concurrency model
Granular streams
Flexibility in system evolution

Eventual Consistency
CQRS
No Data Loss
Key-Value Database

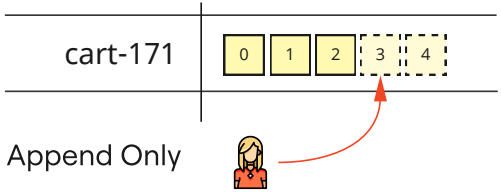
EventStoreDB - Logical Structure



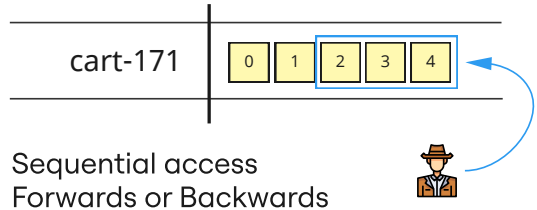
$all stream uses gapped monotonic positions (logical memory position)
Other streams use gapless monotonic stream revisions (event number)

What can you do with EventStoreDB?

Append Events to a Stream



Read Events from a Stream



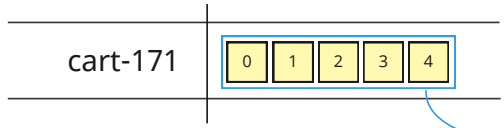
Sequential access
Forwards or Backwards
Start from any position/revision
Read 1 to N events

Time Complexity

Operation	Time Complexity
EventStoreDB Append	O(1)
SQL Insert	O(log n)
EventStoreDB Read	O(n)
SQL Query	O(depends)

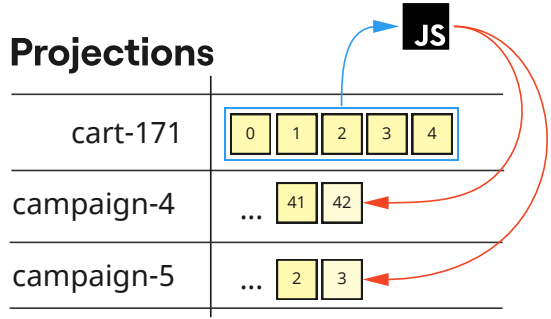
What else can you do with EventStoreDB?

Subscribe to a stream



Sequential access
Forward only
Start from any position/revision
Live updates
Catch-up Subscriptions
Persistent Subscriptions

Projections



Append new events or link existing events to streams

Temporal correlation queries
Built in system projections
User defined JavaScript projections

⚠ Write Amplification increases I/O load on Leader

❗ Projections and Applications cannot append events to the same stream.

Append Events to a Stream


```
{
    "id": "6a339777-3c26-4c74-8655-83811c765b11",
    "type": "gameStarted",
    "data": "{\"gameId\":1002,\"players\":[\"Jake\",\"Eric\"]}",
    "metadata": "{\"createdAt\":\"2023-09-26T06:52:55.2432897Z\"}"
}
```


Optional Application defined identifiers

Tip: Include your own creation date in event metadata (Creation Time != Persisted Time)

Use simple domain specific names for event types, not a technical detail like the .NET Fully Qualified Type Name which simplifies deserialization, at the cost of tightly coupling the domain code to the data.

EventStore DB includes the following on append:

- Adds created timestamp (persisted at timestamp)
- Generates an eventId if not specified
- Adds a stream sequence number
- Adds the global stream position ($all)


```
{
        "event": {
            "contentType": "application/json",
            "created": "2023-09-26T06:52:55.3765804Z",
            "data": "{\"gameId\":1002,\"players\":[\"Jake\",\"Eric\"]}",
            "eventId": "6a339777-3c26-4c74-8655-83811c765b11",
            "eventNumber": 0,
            "eventType": "gameStarted",
            "eventStreamId": "game-3",
            "metadata": "{\"createdAt\":\"2023-09-26T06:52:55.2432897Z\"}",
            "position": "C:13051/P:13051"
        },
        "link": {},
        "originalPosition": "C:13051/P:13051"
    },
```

Read Events from a Stream

Direction	Forwards or Backwards
Revision	The 0-based integer of where to start the read operation
Count	The number of events to read from the stream
ResolveLinks	Retrieve the event referenced by a link event

Scope	This is implement as a helper by the WebAPI to scope the response data to what you need.

scope = resolved


```
[{
 "event": {
  "contentType": "application/json",
  "created": "2023-09-26T06:52:55.3765804Z",
  "data": "{\"gameId\":1002,\"players\":[\"Jake\",\"Eric\"]}",
  "eventId": "6a339777-3c26-4c74-8655-83811c765b11",
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  "eventType": "gameStarted",
  "eventStreamId": "game-3",
  "metadata": "{\"ec\":\"2023-09-26T06:52:55.3743212Z\"}",
  "position": "C:13051/P:13051"
 },
 "link": {
  "contentType": "application/octet-stream",
  "created": "2023-09-26T06:52:55.393416Z",
  "data": "0@game-3",
  "eventId": "31839992-90b6-4c13-ab4b-e21deca0e831",
  "eventNumber": 2,
  "eventType": "$>",
  "eventStreamId": "$streams",
  "metadata": "{\"$v\":\"1:-1:1:4\",\"$c\":13051,\"$p\":13051,\"$causedBy\":\"6a339777-3c26-4c74-8655-83811c765b11\"}",
  "position": "C:13818/P:13818"
 },
 "originalPosition": "C:13818/P:13818"
}, ...]
```

scope = event


```
[{
  "contentType": "application/json",
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  "data": "{\"gameId\":1002,\"players\":[\"Jake\",\"Eric\"]}",
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  "eventStreamId": "game-3",
  "metadata": "{\"ec\":\"2023-09-26T06:52:55.3743212Z\"}",
  "position": "C:13051/P:13051"
 }, ...]
```

scope = data

```
[{
  "gameId":1002,
  "players":["Jake","Eric"]
 }, ...]
```

scope = metadata

```
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 }, ...]
```
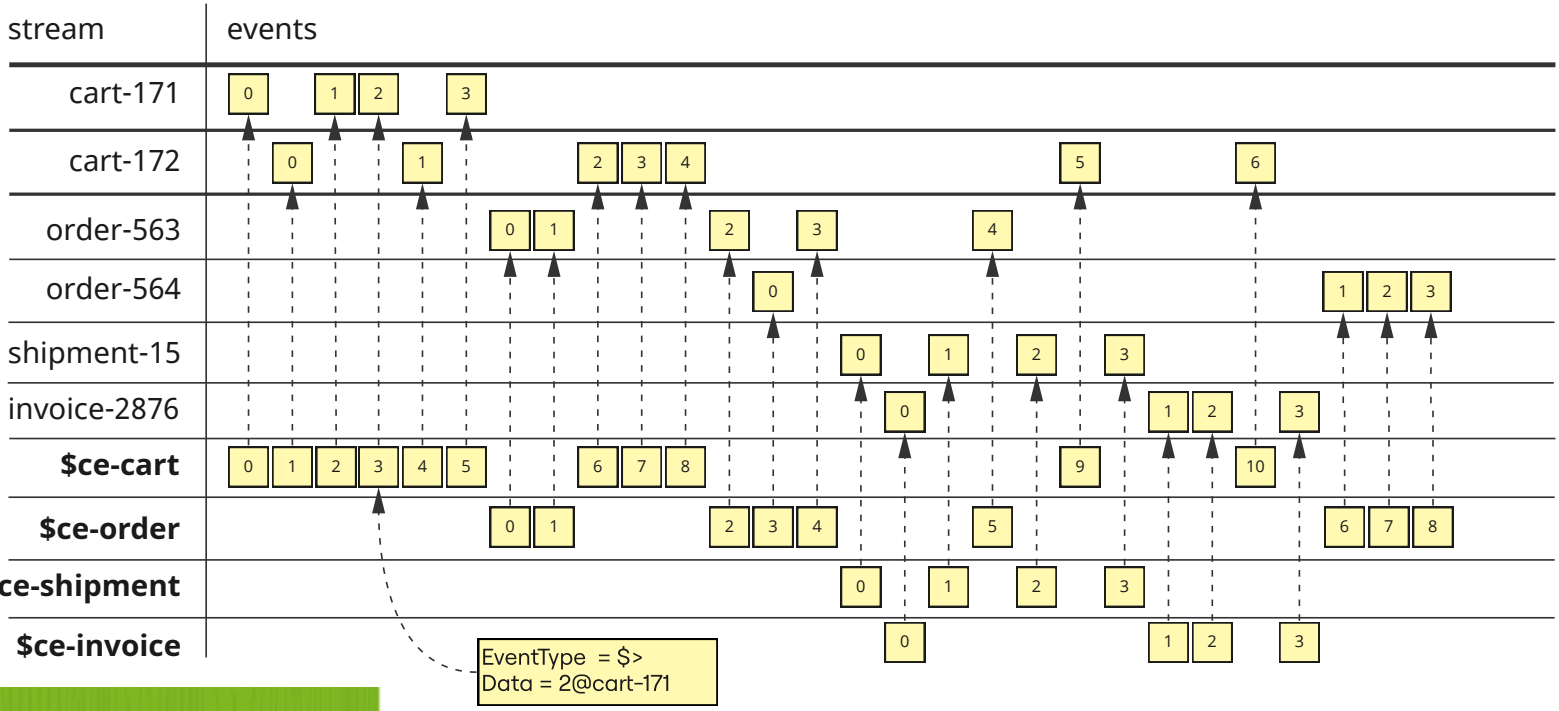
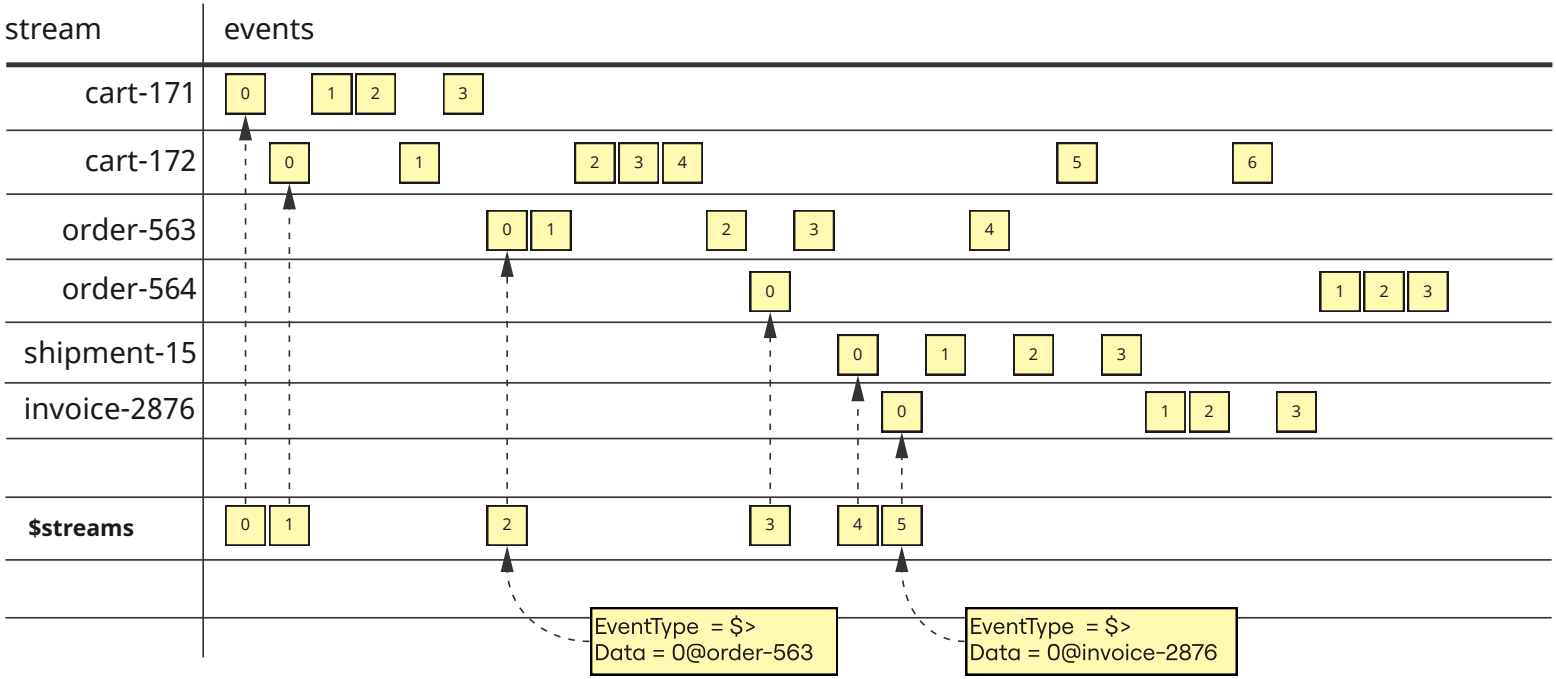
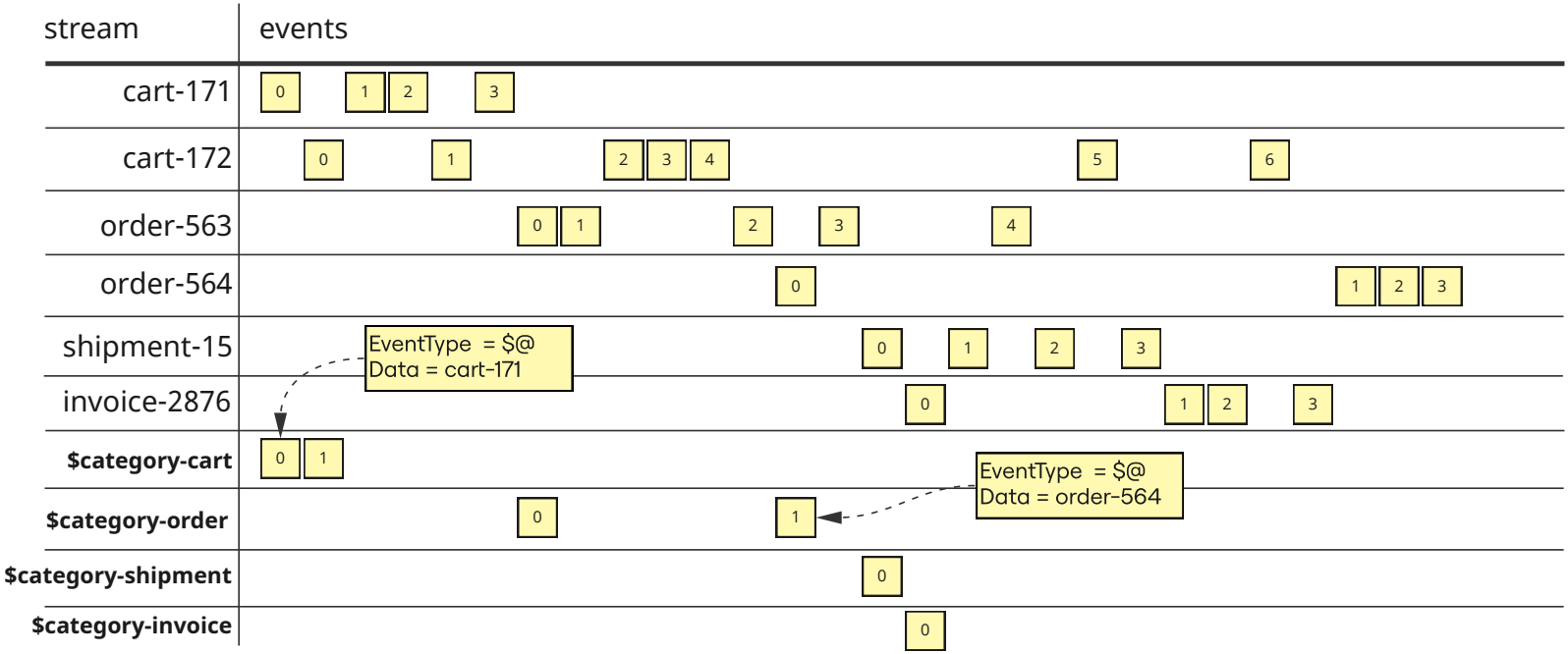

Projection: By Category



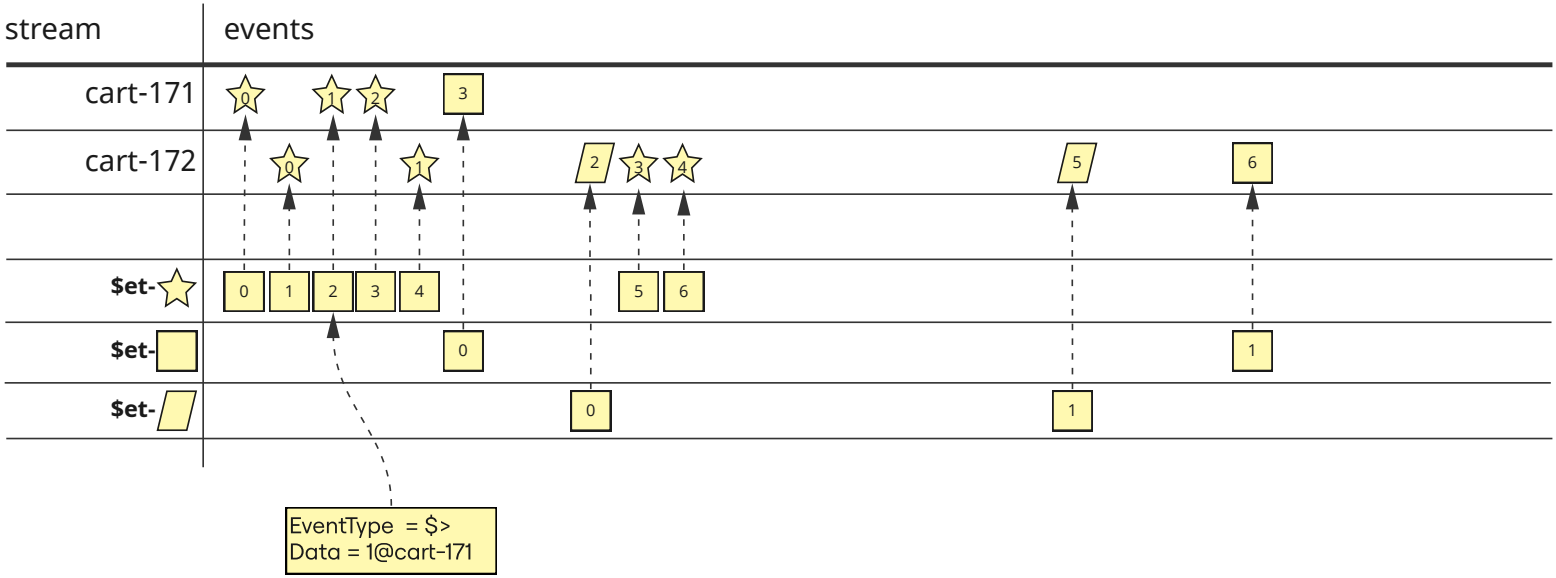
Projection: Streams



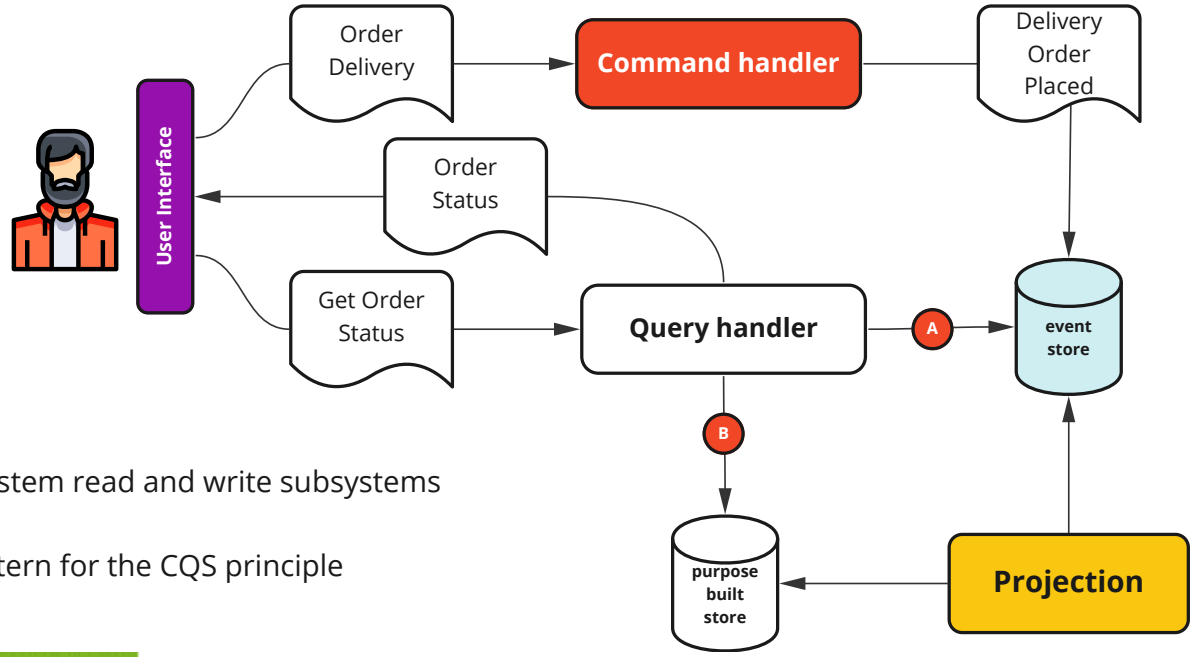
Projection: Streams By Category



Projection: By Event Type



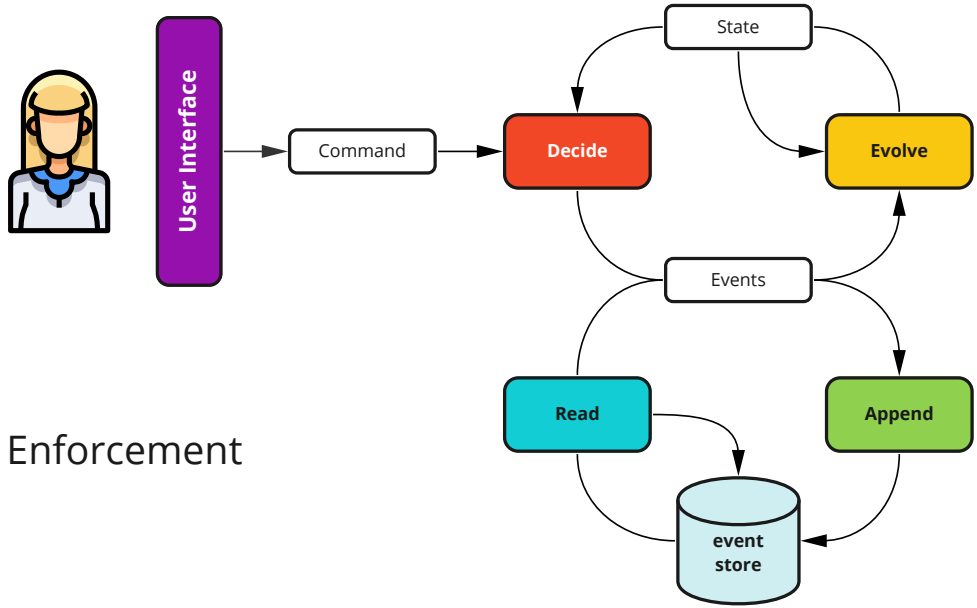
CQRS Command Query Responsibility Separation



Separate your system read and write subsystems

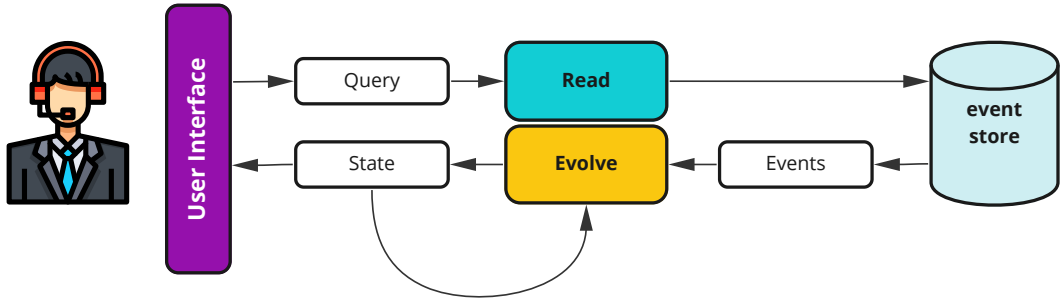
Architectural pattern for the CQS principle

Command Side



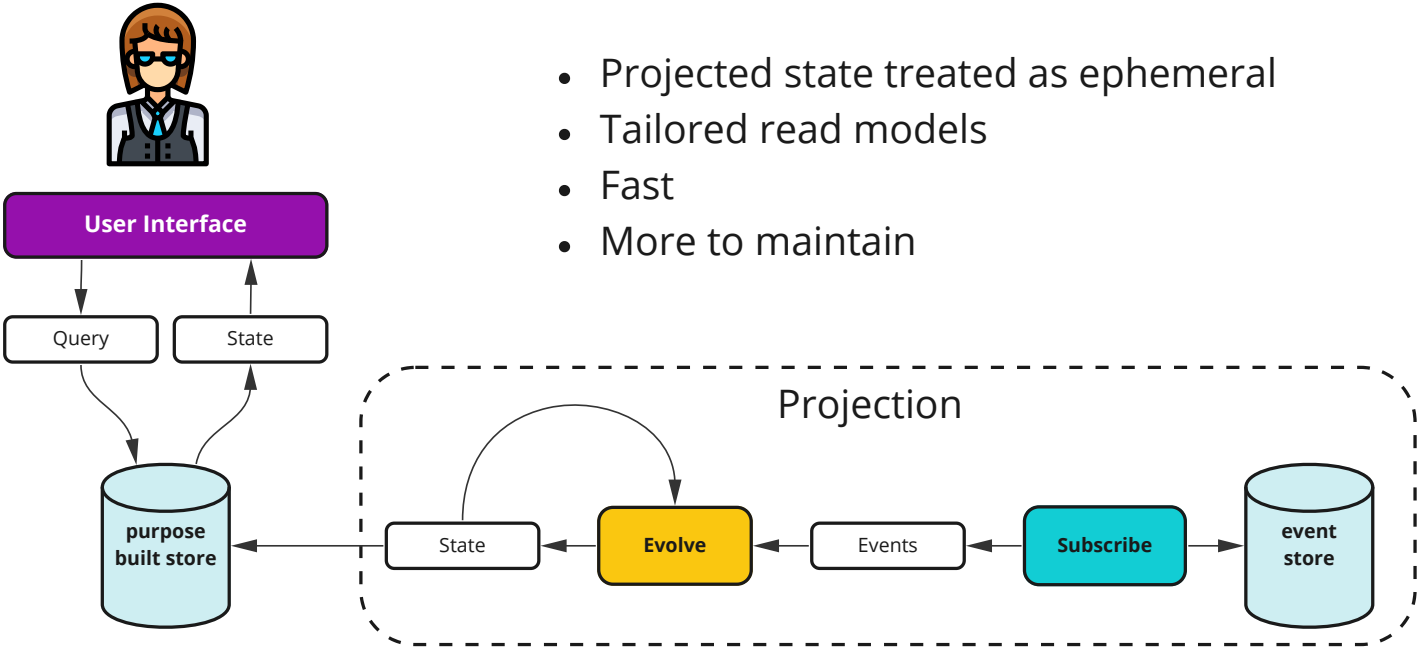
Business Rule Enforcement

Query Side A



- Shorter window of eventual consistency
- Useful in Development
- Prefer for short streams (low event count approx. 200)
- Infrequent usage

Query Side B



- Projected state treated as ephemeral
- Tailored read models
- Fast
- More to maintain