

etcd

BDNR Project - Milestone 3

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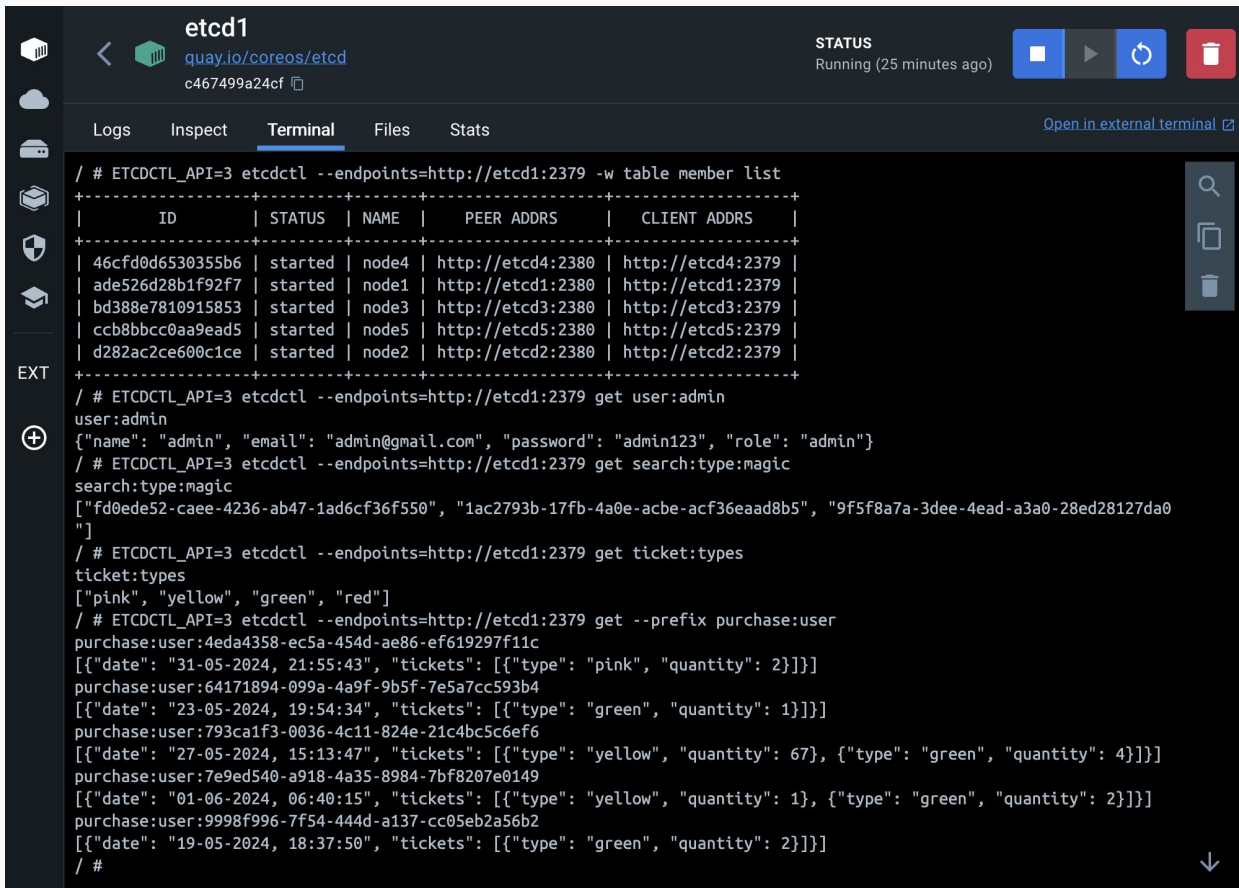
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Overview of the technology

- Key-Value database (5th key-value DB in popularity in db-engines)
- Developed by CoreOS
- Name
 - etc - related to /etc folder
 - d - from distributed
- Widely used in distributed systems
 - Configuration management and coordination of systems
- Strong consistency, fault-tolerant
- Use cases:
 - Kubernetes
 - Container Linux by CoreOS

Administration overview & Client libraries

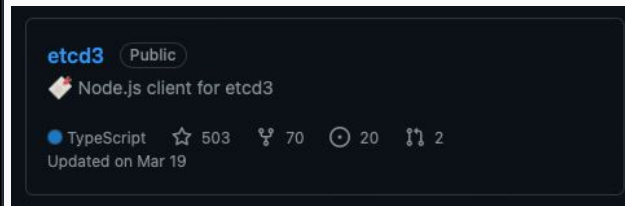


The screenshot shows the etcd1 interface with the terminal output of the command `ETCDCTL_API=3 etcdctl --endpoints=http://etcd1:2379 -w table member list`. The output is a table with 5 columns: ID, STATUS, NAME, PEER ADDRS, and CLIENT ADDRS. It lists 5 nodes, all with a status of 'started'. Below the table, the output of `get user:admin` is shown as a JSON object. The output of `get search:type:magic` is a list of 5 strings. The output of `get ticket:types` is a list of 4 strings. The output of `get --prefix purchase:user` is a list of 5 JSON objects, each representing a purchase record with a date, tickets, and quantity.

```
/ # ETCDCTL_API=3 etcdctl --endpoints=http://etcd1:2379 -w table member list
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
| ID | STATUS | NAME | PEER ADDRS | CLIENT ADDRS |
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
| 46cfd0d6530355b6 | started | node4 | http://etcd4:2380 | http://etcd4:2379 |
| ade526d28b1f92f7 | started | node1 | http://etcd1:2380 | http://etcd1:2379 |
| bd388e7810915853 | started | node3 | http://etcd3:2380 | http://etcd3:2379 |
| ccb8bbcc0aa9ead5 | started | node5 | http://etcd5:2380 | http://etcd5:2379 |
| d282ac2ce600c1ce | started | node2 | http://etcd2:2380 | http://etcd2:2379 |
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
/ # ETCDCTL_API=3 etcdctl --endpoints=http://etcd1:2379 get user:admin
user:admin
{"name": "admin", "email": "admin@gmail.com", "password": "admin123", "role": "admin"}
/ # ETCDCTL_API=3 etcdctl --endpoints=http://etcd1:2379 get search:type:magic
search:type:magic
["fd0ede52-caee-4236-ab47-1ad6cf36f550", "1ac2793b-17fb-4a0e-acbe-acf36eaa8b5", "9f5f8a7a-3dee-4ead-a3a0-28ed28127da0"]
/ # ETCDCTL_API=3 etcdctl --endpoints=http://etcd1:2379 get ticket:types
ticket:types
["pink", "yellow", "green", "red"]
/ # ETCDCTL_API=3 etcdctl --endpoints=http://etcd1:2379 get --prefix purchase:user
purchase:user:4eda4358-ec5a-454d-ae86-ef619297f11c
[{"date": "31-05-2024, 21:55:43", "tickets": [{"type": "pink", "quantity": 2}]]
purchase:user:64171894-099a-4a9f-9b5f-7e5a7cc593b4
[{"date": "23-05-2024, 19:54:34", "tickets": [{"type": "green", "quantity": 1}]]
purchase:user:793ca1f3-0036-4c11-824e-21c4bc5c6ef6
[{"date": "27-05-2024, 15:13:47", "tickets": [{"type": "yellow", "quantity": 67}, {"type": "green", "quantity": 4}]]
purchase:user:7e9ed540-a918-4a35-8984-7bf8207e0149
[{"date": "01-06-2024, 06:40:15", "tickets": [{"type": "yellow", "quantity": 1}, {"type": "green", "quantity": 2}]]
purchase:user:9998f996-7f54-444d-a137-cc05eb2a56b2
[{"date": "19-05-2024, 18:37:50", "tickets": [{"type": "green", "quantity": 2}]]
/ #
```

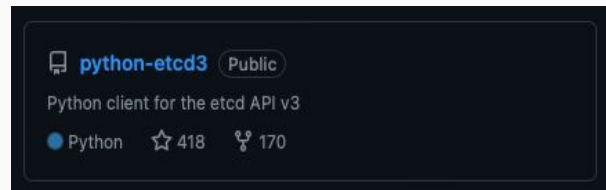
There are no official client libraries, but the etcd community recommends some:

For JS/TS:



The screenshot shows the npm page for the `etcd3` package, which is a Node.js client for etcd3. It is marked as 'Public' and has 503 stars, 70 forks, 20 issues, and 2 pull requests. It was updated on Mar 19.

For Python:



The screenshot shows the PyPI page for the `python-etcd3` package, which is a Python client for the etcd API v3. It is marked as 'Public' and has 418 stars and 170 forks.

Logical View

- Flat binary key space
- Multiple revisions / versions over key-value pairs
- Creating a key increments its version
- Deleting a key resets its version to 0 - tombstone

Physical View

- Persistent B+tree
 - Ordered lexically for fast ranged lookups over revision deltas
- Each revision containing only the delta from the previous
 - Very efficient for range queries over deltas

etcd provides a HTTP/JSON API

- GET (one or several keys)
 - single key
 - range of queries by prefix
- PUT (one key)
- DELETE (one key)
- Watcher
 - generation of watchers - used to monitor a value of a given key
 - it is possible to see previous versions of the key-value pair

Features

Replication and node communication features

- Database works in a distributed way mainly (if nodes > 1)
- Number of nodes is preferable odd
 - etcd works with quorums of size $(n / 2) + 1$
- Uses Raft Consensus algorithm
 - leader election
- The leader node is responsible for
 - ensuring data replication
 - load balance of requests
- FULL-REPLICATION
- FAULT-TOLERANT

Consistency features

- Sequential consistency
 - all nodes reads same events in the same order - stronger form of consistency

Eventual consistency is not enough!

→ can lead to problems in critical systems

Nodes do not need to be physically together!

→ latency tends to increase

Features

Watcher feature

- Used to monitor a given value of a certain key over time based on the operations executed over that key.
- PUT, GET or both operations can be monitored
- Useful in configuration systems

Data processing features

Functions like count, average, sum DO NOT exist!

Regarding data types - etcd is limited due to its creation purpose

- only numbers and strings (all stored in binary)
- use of (de)serialization functions to bypass this limitation

Limitations of etcd

- Lack of data processing features
- Prefix search is allowed but not suffix
 - Require extra carefulness while designing aggregates
- Requests are limited to 1.5Mib and ideally DB should not have more than 8GiB (ideal size is $\leq 2\text{GiB}$)
 - Not appropriate to handle large amounts of data
- Writes are a bottleneck and limit database scalability
 - Needing at least 50 sequential IOPS (e.g., from a 7200 RPM disk) and ideally 500 sequential IOPS (e.g., from a local SSD or high-performance virtualized block device) for heavily loaded clusters
- Total replication is also a drawback in terms of performance



Distributed

For horizontal scalability

Fully replicated

Every read returns the latest data write across all clusters/nodes

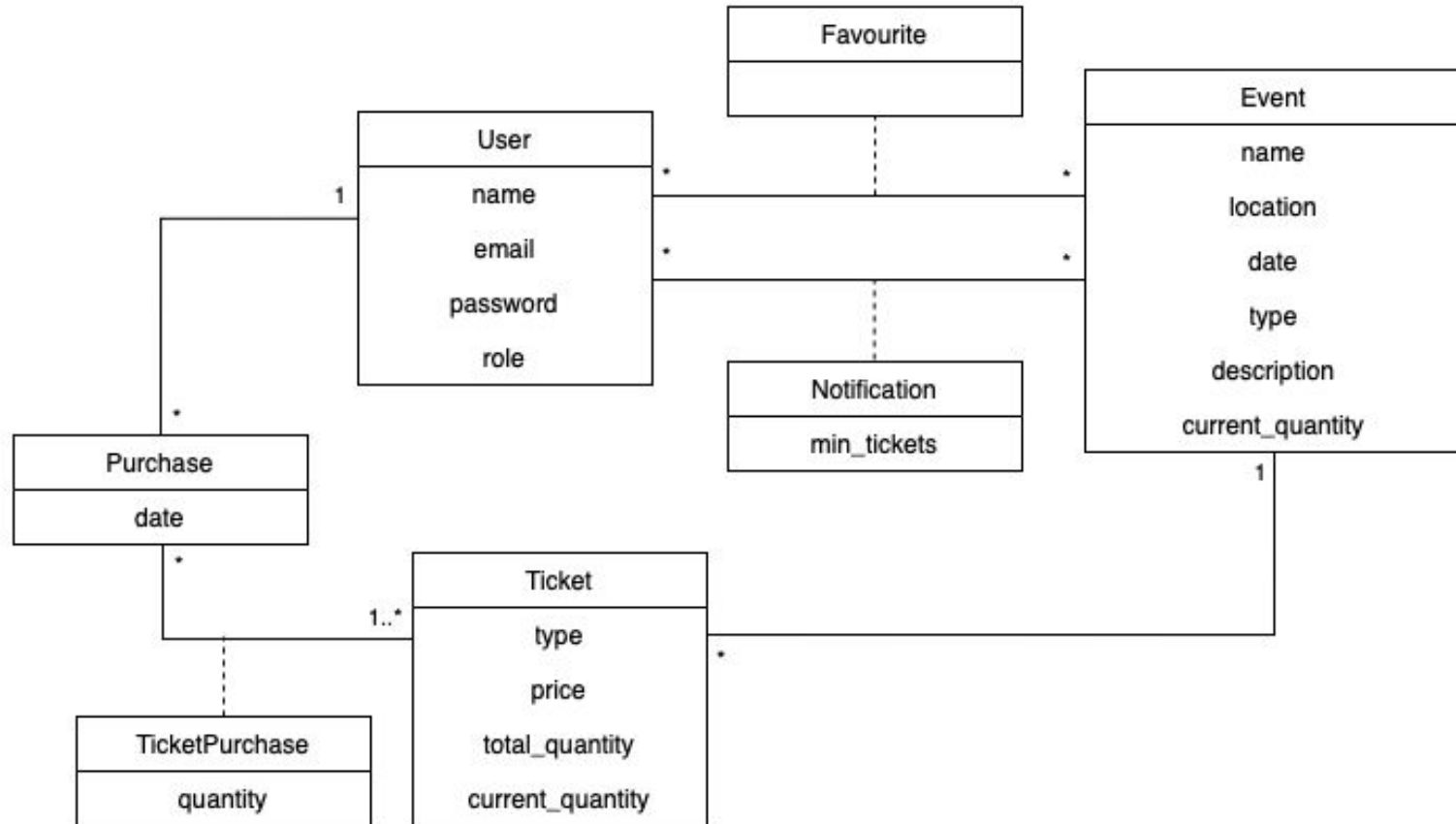
Highly Available

No single point of failure

TickETCD

Consistency in Every Ticket

Prototype TicketCD - Conceptual Model



Prototype TicketCD - Physical Model (1/3)

user:<USERNAME>

```
"user:johndoe": {  
  "name": "john doe", "email": "john@mail.com",  
  "password": "john123", "role": "admin"  
}
```

event:<EVENT_ID>

```
"event:92fe965d-a189-4f26-844c-0979c6ca035e": {  
  "name": "Simple concert", "description": "A simple event example",  
  "location": "Porto", "type": "concert", "date": "2024-03-13",  
  "current_quantity": "14"  
}
```

ticket:<EVENT_ID>:<TYPE>

```
"ticket:92fe965d-a189-4f26-844c-0979c6ca035e:pink": {  
  "total_quantity": "34", "current_quantity": "23", "price": "23.99"  
}
```

Prototype TicketCD - Physical Model (2/3)

notification:<USERNAME>:<EVENT_ID>

```
"notification:johndoe:92fe965d-a189-4f26-844c-0979c6ca035e" : {  
  "limit": 42, "active": true  
}
```

favourite:<USERNAME>

```
"favourite:johndoe": [ "92fe965d-a189-4f26-844c-0979c6ca035e" ]
```

purchase:<USERNAME>:<EVENT_ID>

```
"purchase:johndoe:ad25c85c-6714-4d1f-857b-9bcd1a45ccb9": [ {  
  "date": "2024-03-14 13:45:00",  
  "tickets": [{ "type": "red", "quantity": "3" }]  
} ]
```

Prototype TickETCD - Physical Model (3/3)

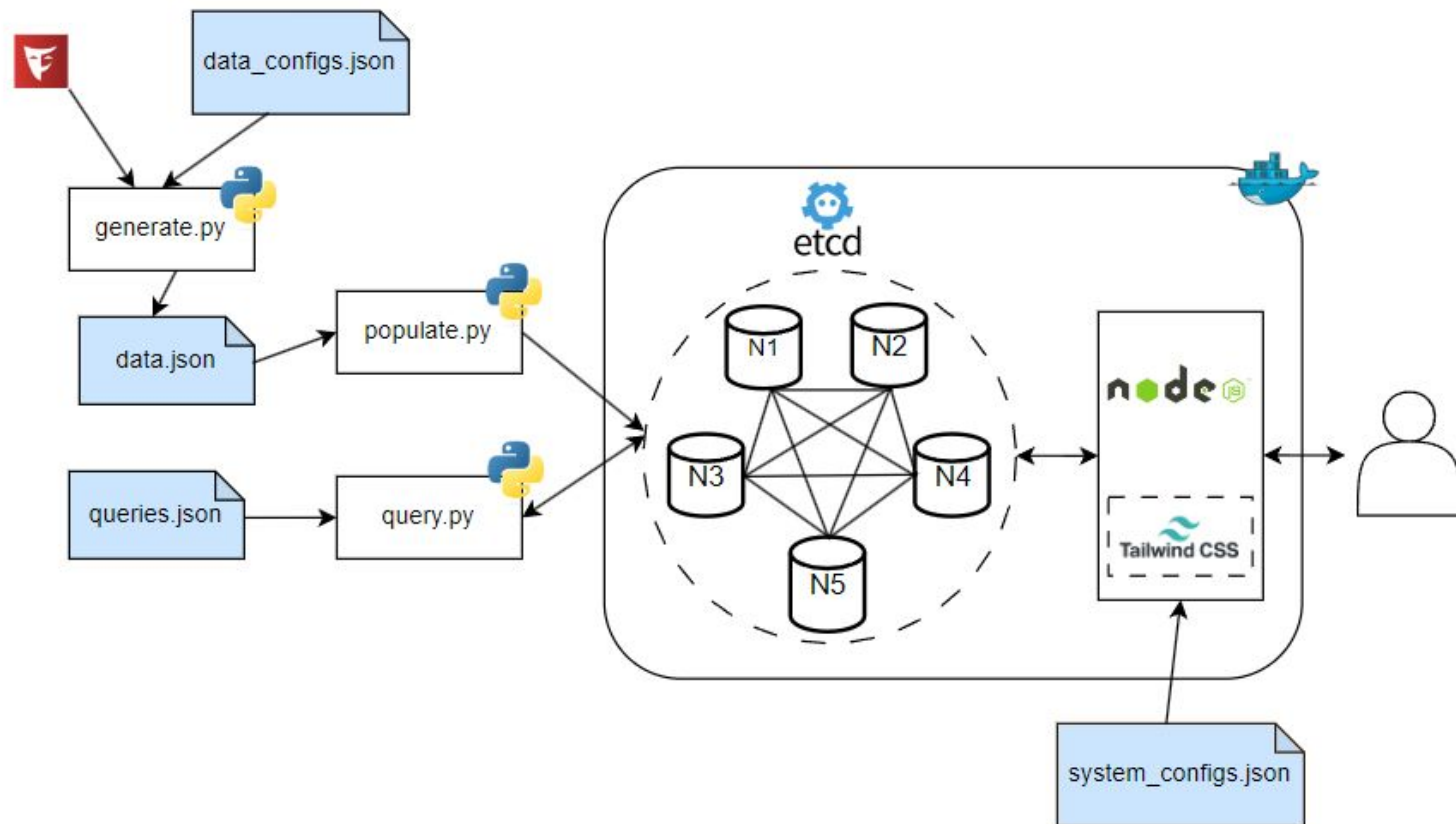
Static data

```
"event:locations": ["lisbon","porto","braga"],  
"event:types": ["concert","theater","dance", "magic","circus"],  
"ticket:types": ["pink","blue","green","red"]
```

search:<TYPE>:<INPUT>

```
"search:text:some": [ "92fe965d-a189-4f26-844c-0979c6ca035e" ]  
"search:type:concert": [ "f2af5c43-7cad-49f8-88c1-2ff7e8fe8d81" ]  
"search:location:lisbon": [ "97636456-a096-4868-9dc1-aac79a22961c" ]
```

Prototype TickETCD - Architecture



Prototype TickETCD - Features (1/10)

TickETCD

Consistency in Every Ticket

Login

Username:

Password:

Login

GET

user:<USERNAME>

Register

Name:

Email:

Username:

Password:

Register

PUT

user:<USERNAME>

Prototype TickETCD - Features (2/10)

TickETCD
Consistency in Every Ticket

Welcome, user! | Notifications | Logout

Login success

Homepage

All TypesAll Locations

Search

Results:

Decade notice religious hundred expect pretty
Particular treat them different her note. Decision under candidate.

Notice security let since
Carry affect level leg even. Him southern position detail hear. Thus and appear ever scene. Either environme...

Front much customer
Because region professor rate. Drop north method agent year. When how prove and staff lose.

GET
event:text:<INPUT>

GET
event:type:<TYPE>

GET
event:location:<LOCATION>

BDNR @ 2024

Prototype TickETCD - Features (3/10)

TickETCD

Consistency in Every Ticket

Welcome, user!

Notifications

Logout

Event 'Close return strong occur score treat'

View bad source film. Reveal spring room. Camera shoulder among parent wife million. Church without radio peace could.

Location: Birmingham

Type: theater

Date: 08-05-2024 15:09

Currently we have 0 total tickets available

Tickets Details

green

Price: 72.03 \$
Current quantity: 0
Total quantity: 427

pink

Price: 108.9 \$
Current quantity: 0
Total quantity: 67

red

Price: 69.64 \$
Current quantity: 0
Total quantity: 243

yellow

Price: 278.69 \$
Current quantity: 0
Total quantity: 90

Buy Tickets

Remove from Favorites

Notify

Minimum number of tickets to be notified:

Create

PUT/DELETE

favourite:<USERNAME>

PUT

notification:<USERNAME>

GET

ticket:<EVENT_ID>:<TYPE>

Prototype TickETCD - Features (4/10)

TickETCD

Consistency in Every Ticket

Welcome, user!

Notifications

Logout

Tickets for 'Close return strong occur score treat'

green

Price: 72.03

Current quantity: 0

Number of tickets:

pink

Price: 108.9

Current quantity: 0

Number of tickets:

red

Price: 69.64

Current quantity: 0

Number of tickets:

yellow

Price: 278.69

Current quantity: 0

Number of tickets:

Buy

PUT

purchase:<USERNAME>:<EVENT_ID>

GET

ticket:<EVENT_ID>:yellow

Prototype TickETCD - Features (5/10)

TickETCD

Consistency in Every Ticket

Welcome, user!

Notifications

Logout

Profile info:

Username: user Email: user@gmail.com Role: user

GET

user:<USERNAME>

User purchases:

Federal particular relate

09-05-2024, 08:48:37

Type: red - Quantity: 1

X

GET

purchase:<USERNAME>

Favourite Events

Close return strong occur score treat

Front much customer

Need laugh both notice

Notice security let since

Turn ability chance site defense fly

Way officer surface executive

Federal particular relate

GET

favourite:<USERNAME>

Prototype TickETCD - Features (6/10)

TickETCD

Consistency in Every Ticket

Welcome, admin!

| [Admin Page](#)

| [Notifications](#)

| [Logout](#)

All Notifications

Its civil city

Minimum number of tickets: 14

Current number of tickets: 6

GET

notifications:<USERNAME>

Using Watcher!

Prototype TickETCD - Features (7/10)

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Consistency in Every Ticket

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Admin Page

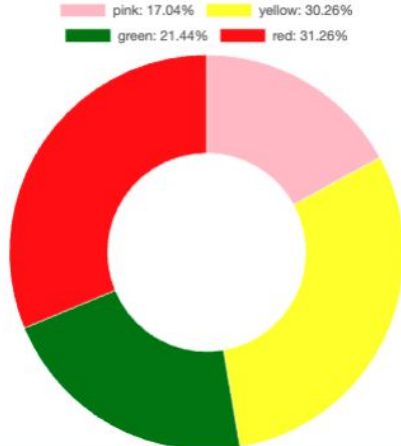
[Database Statistics](#)

[Event Statistics](#)

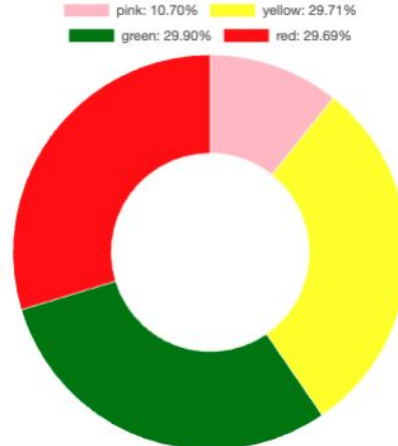
[Create Event](#)

Statistics

Total Revenue for events of type Concert



Total Revenue for events of type Theater



GET

event:<EVENT_ID>

ticket:<EVENT_ID>:<TYPE>

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Processing

Prototype TickETCD - Features (8/10)

TickETCD

Consistency in Every Ticket

Welcome, admin! |

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Admin Page

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Event Details

Event Name:

Event Description:

Event Location:

Select Event Location



Event Type:

Select Event Type



Event Date:

Tickets

pink

Total Quantity:

Price:

yellow

Total Quantity:

Price:

green

Total Quantity:

Price:

red

Total Quantity:

Price:

PUT

event:<EVENT_ID>

ticket:<EVENT_ID>:pink

ticket:<EVENT_ID>:yellow

ticket:<EVENT_ID>:green

ticket:<EVENT_ID>:red

search:type:<INPUT>

search:location:<INPUT>

search:text:<INPUT>

Prototype TickETCD - Features (9/10)

TickETCD

Consistency in Every Ticket

Welcome, admin!

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Admin Page

[Database Statistics](#)[Event Statistics](#)[Create Event](#)

Cluster Info

Name: node4

Peer URL: http://etcd4:2380

Client URL: http://etcd4:2379

Name: node1

Peer URL: http://etcd1:2380

Client URL: http://etcd1:2379

Name: node3

Peer URL: http://etcd3:2380

Client URL: http://etcd3:2379

Name: node5

Peer URL: http://etcd5:2380

Client URL: http://etcd5:2379

Name: node2

Peer URL: http://etcd2:2380

Client URL: http://etcd2:2379

HTTP GET

/cluster/members

Nodes Info

Prototype TickETCD - Features (10/10)

Nodes Info

Name: node1

ID: ade526d28b1f92f7

State: StateFollower

Start Time: 2024-05-12T22:49:07.195776Z

Leader:
bd388e7810915853

Uptime:
1h40m43.658626s

Recv Append Request
Count: 875

Send Append Request
Count: 0

Name: http://etcd2:2379

Error Message: Node not alive!

Name: node3

ID: bd388e7810915853

State: StateLeader

Start Time: 2024-05-12T22:49:05.754089Z

Leader:
bd388e7810915853

Uptime:
1h40m44.097984s

Recv Append Request
Count: 0

Send Append Request
Count: 3476

Name: http://etcd4:2379

Error Message: Node not alive!

Name: node5

ID: ccb8bbcc0aa9ead5

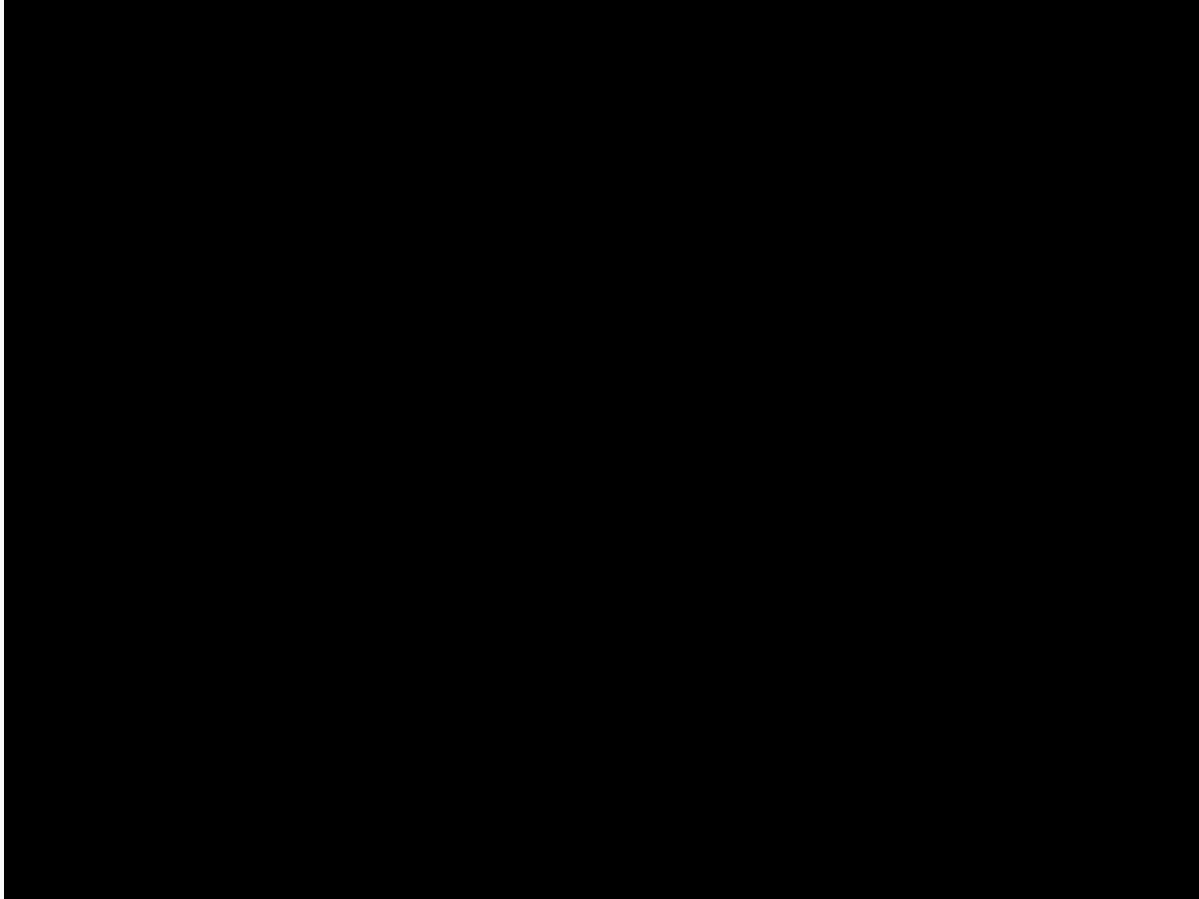
State: StateFollower

Start Time: 2024-05-

HTTP GET

/node/info

Prototype TickETCD - Demo



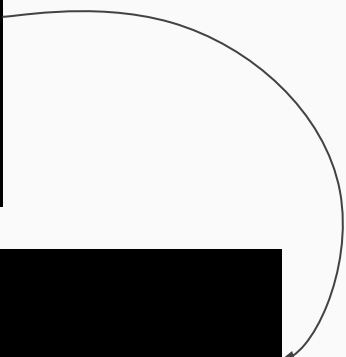
Prototype TickETCD - Limitations (1/5)

Redundancy, redundancy, redundancy...

```
$ cat configurations.json
{
  "NUM_USERS": 10,
  "NUM_EVENTS": 10,
  "TICKET_TYPES": ["pink", "yellow", "green", "red"],
  "NODES": 5
  ...
}
```

```
python3 data/generate.py data/data.json
python3 data/populate.py data/data.json
Populating ETCD with 429 key-value pairs...
Populate done. Inserted 429 key-value pairs in 195.1 seconds
```

Just 10 users and 10 events... more than 400 key-value pairs and took more than 3 minutes in populate step!



Prototype TickETCD - Limitations (2/5)

Adding more redundancy to the system is good in etcd... or not!

```
"user:johndoe" : {  
  "name" : "john doe",  
  "email" : "john@mail.com",  
  "password" : "john123",  
  "role" : "admin"  
}
```

N attributes = 1 Query

+

Object serialization/deserialization



```
"user:johndoe:name" : "john doe",  
"user:johndoe:email" : "john@mail.com",  
"user:johndoe:password" : "john123",  
"user:johndoe:role" : "admin"
```

N attributes = N Queries (disk!)

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Not suitable for most TickETCD aggregates

Prototype TickETCD - Limitations (3/5)

TickETCD

Consistency in Every Ticket

Admin Page

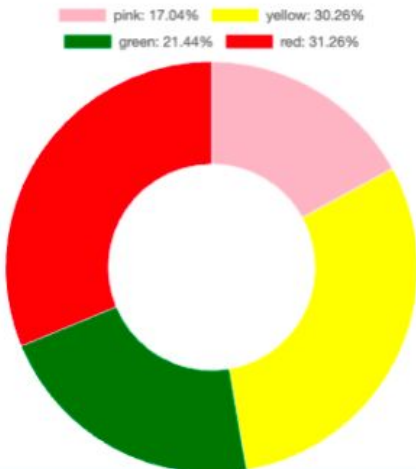
Database Statistics

Event Statistics

Create Event

Statistics

Total Revenue for events of type Concert



Event statistics is a nice feature, but...

```
async function getStatistics(db, req, res) {
  let stats = {}

  try {

    const event_types = await utils.getEventTypeKeys(db);
    for (const event_type of event_types) {
      const events = await db.get(`search:type:${event_type}`).json();
      let total = 0;
      stats[event_type] = {};

      for (const event_id in events) {
        const ticket_types = await utils.getTicketTypes(db);
        for (const ticket_type in ticket_types) {
          const details = await db.get(`ticket:${events[event_id]}:${ticket_types[ticket_type]}`).json();
          const price_per_ticket_type = details.price * (details.total_quantity - details.current_quantity);
          total += price_per_ticket_type;
          if (!stats[event_type][ticket_types[ticket_type]])
            stats[event_type][ticket_types[ticket_type]] = price_per_ticket_type;
          else
            stats[event_type][ticket_types[ticket_type]] += price_per_ticket_type;
        }
      }

      stats[event_type]['total'] = total;
    }

  } catch (e) {
    console.log(e);
  } finally {
    return stats;
  }
}
```

Prototype TicketCD - Limitations (4/5)

Searching by event attributes requires a **lot of external processing**...

```
"event:1234" : {  
  "name": "BDNR",  
  "description": "Data Bases Bases Data",  
  "type": "MEIC",  
  "location": "Porto"  
}
```

type = 'MEIC' => 'meic'
location = 'Porto' => 'porto'

```
"search:type:meic" : [ "1234" ],  
"search:location:porto" : [ "1234" ],
```

"BDNR Data Bases Bases Data" =
['bdnr', 'data', 'bases']

```
"search:text:bdnr" : [ "1234" ],  
"search:text:data" : [ "1234" ],  
"search:text:bases" : [ "1234" ],
```

... and makes **updating event attributes** **unfeasible!**

Prototype TickETCD - Limitations (5/5)

Let's take a look at the computation flow for purchasing tickets of type **X** and **Y** for event **bdnr** by user **jonhdoe**...

1. Insert an entry in the array **purchase:jonhdoe:bdnr**
2. Update **ticket:bdnr:x** ticket current quantity
3. Update **ticket:bdnr:y** ticket current quantity
4. Update the global ticket quantity in **event:bdnr**

Manipulates 4
aggregates sequentially
and **not atomically!**



Transactions don't work
for multiple aggregates
at the same time!

Conclusions

- Exploration with more detail of one of the paradigms of non-relational databases, key-value
- Opportunity to study a new technology, etcd, understand its specificities
- The implementation of the prototype made it possible to understand this approach and to apply features such as the scalability and consistency that these technology offer