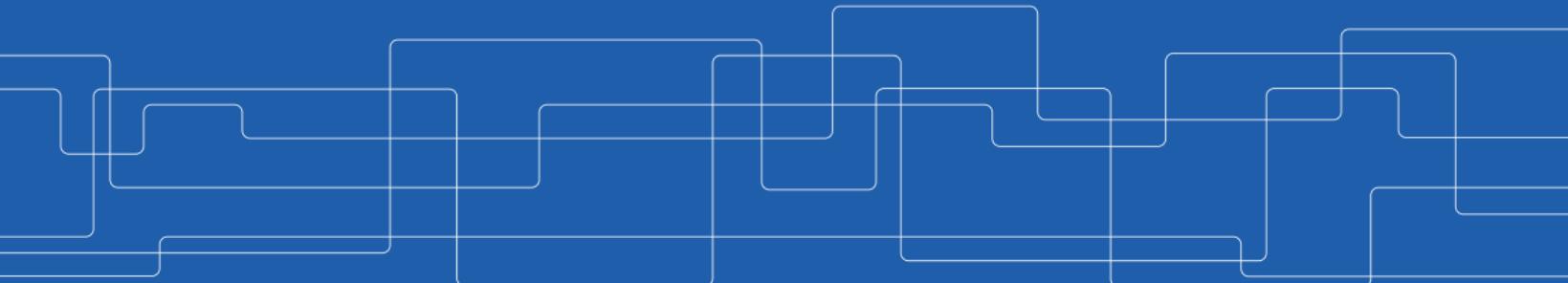




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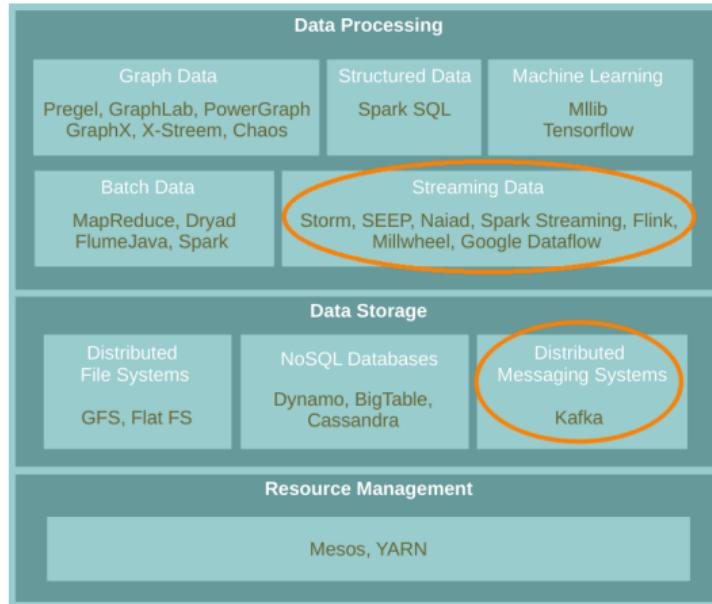


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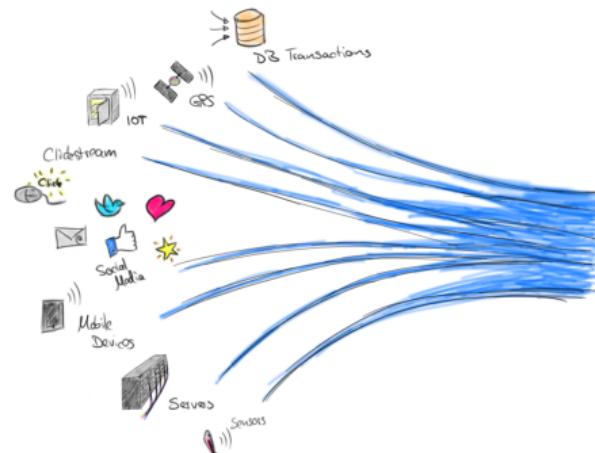
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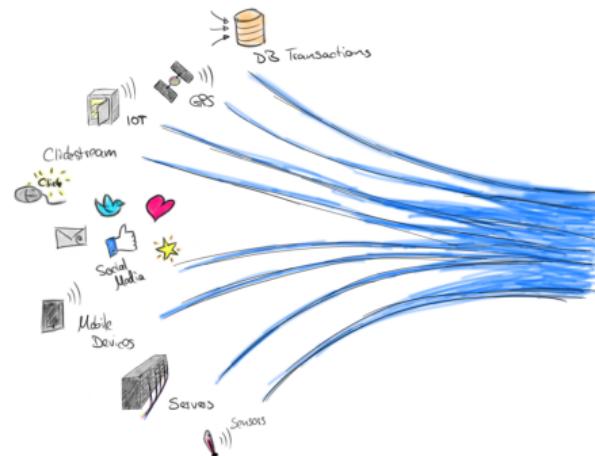
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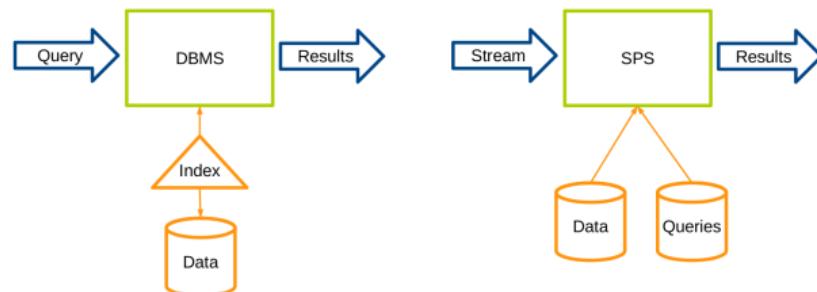
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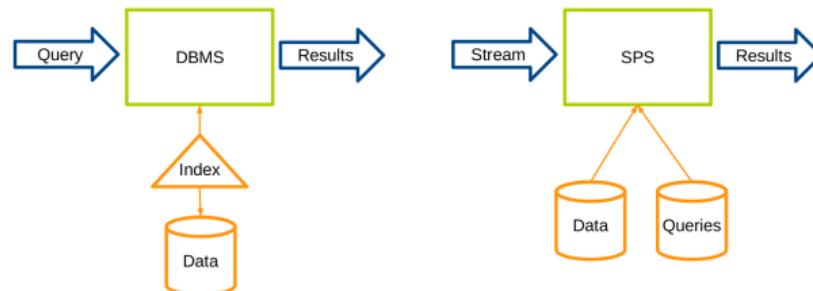
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# Streaming Data

- ▶ Data stream is **unbound data**, which is broken into a sequence of individual **tuples**.
- ▶ A data **tuple** is the **atomic** data item in a data stream.
- ▶ Can be **structured**, **semi-structured**, and **unstructured**.

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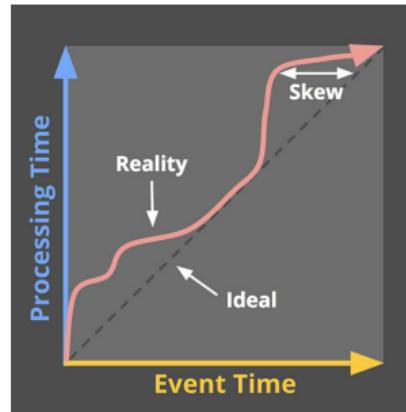


## Event Time vs. Processing Time (1/2)

- ▶ **Event time**: the time at which events **actually occurred**.
  - Timestamps inserted into each record **at the source**.
- ▶ **Processing time**: the time when the record is **received at the streaming application**.

## Event Time vs. Processing Time (2/2)

- ▶ Ideally, event time and processing time should be equal.
- ▶ Skew between event time and processing time.



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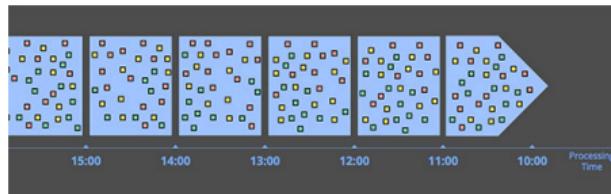


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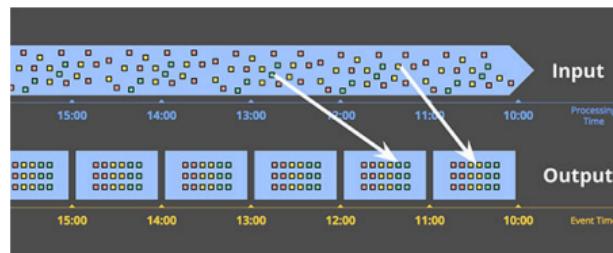
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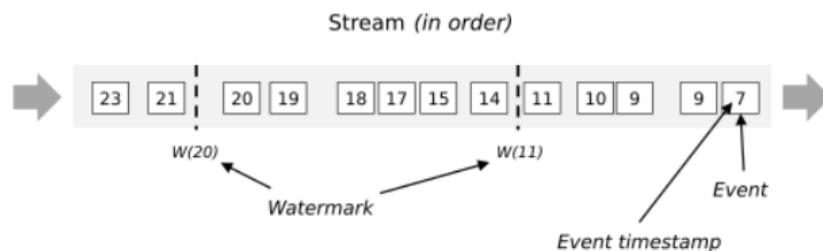
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- ▶ Handling **out-of-order** events.



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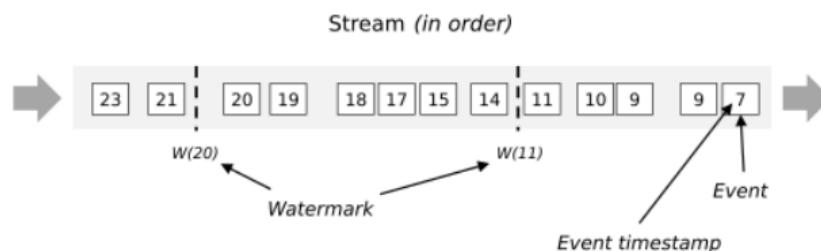
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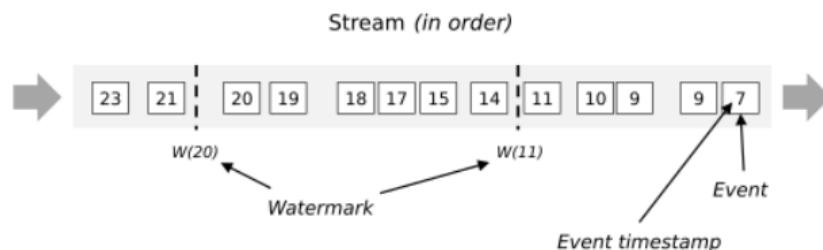
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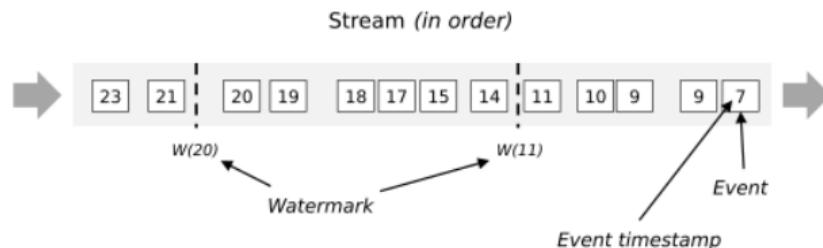
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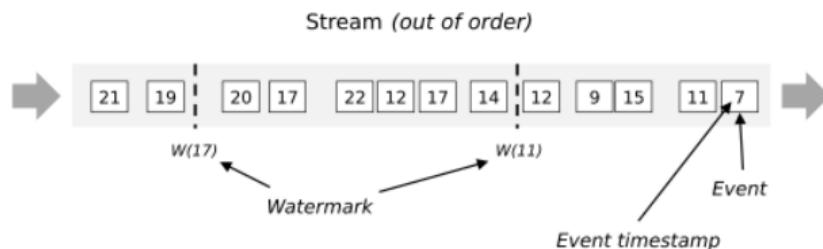
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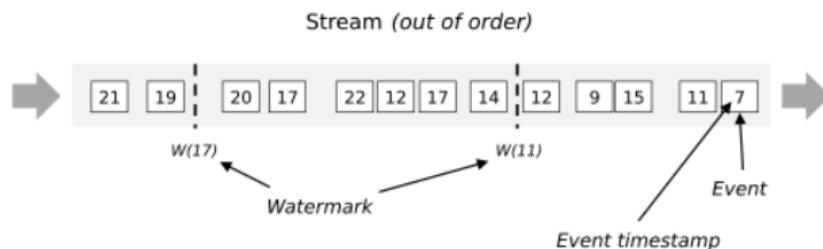
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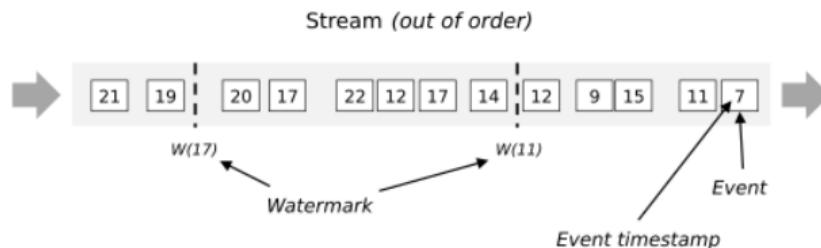
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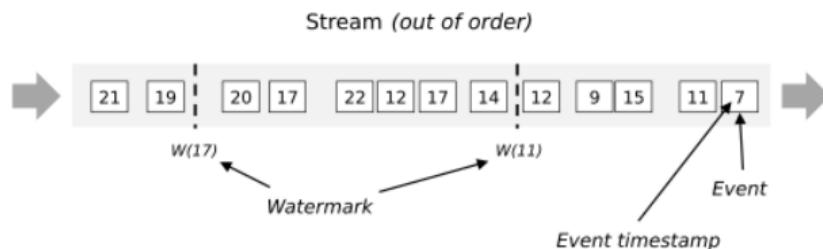
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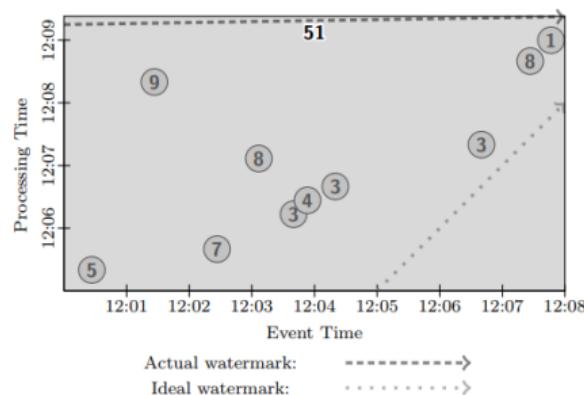
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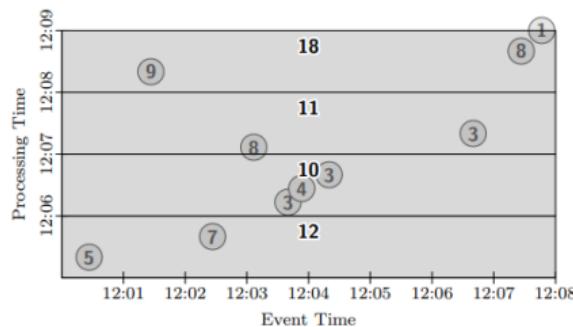
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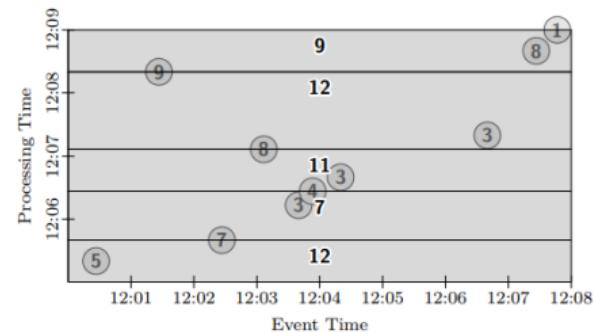
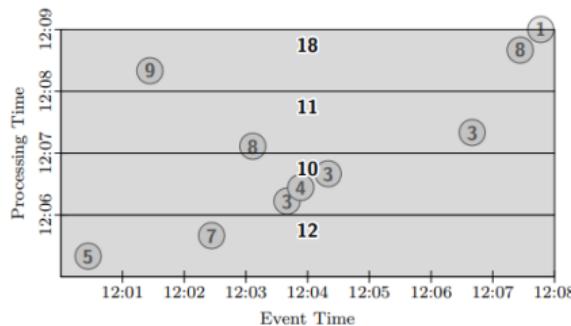
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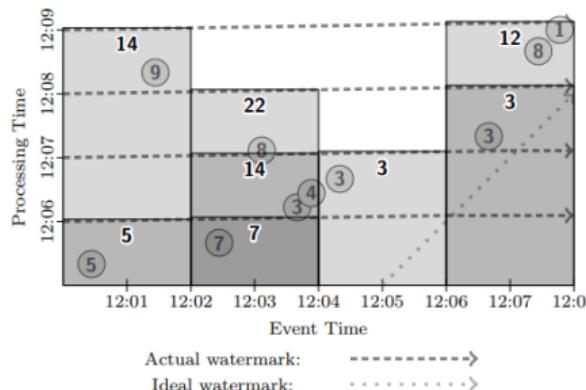
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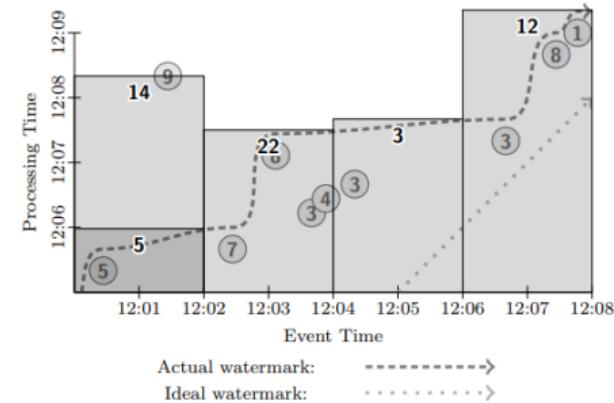
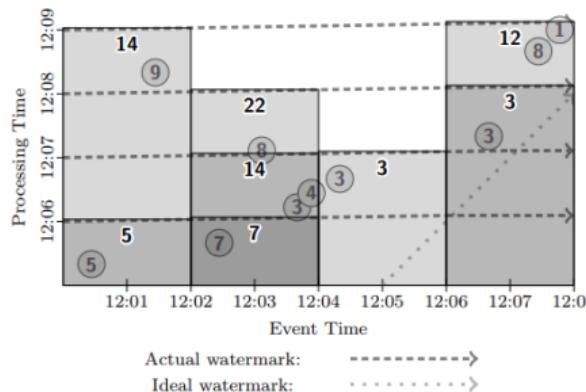
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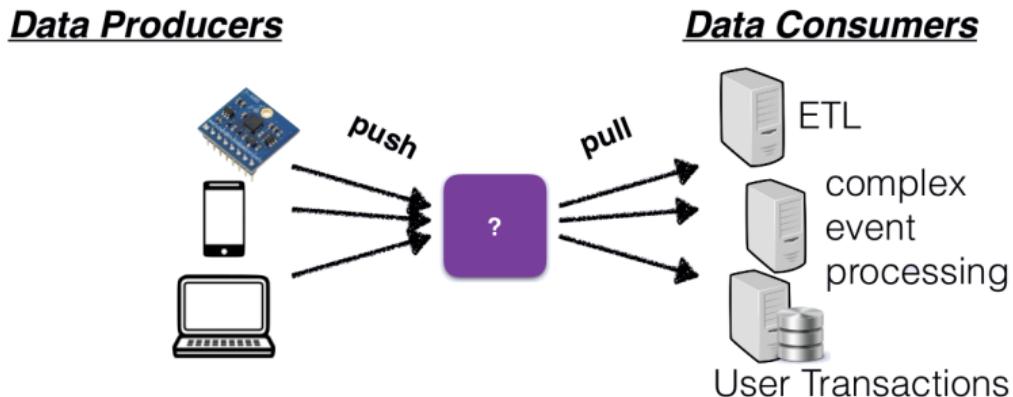




# Data Stream Storage

# The Problem

- We need **disseminate streams of events** from various **producers** to various **consumers**.



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Message

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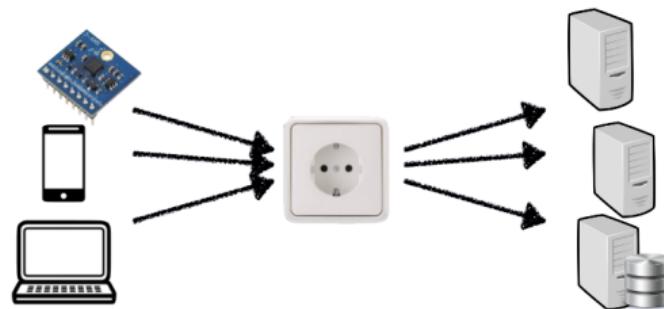


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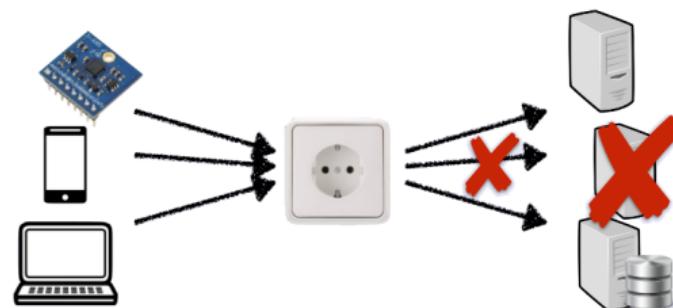
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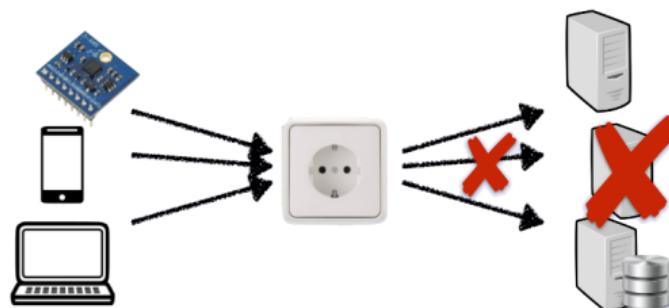
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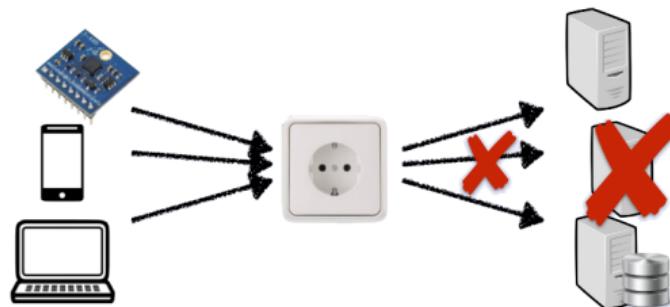
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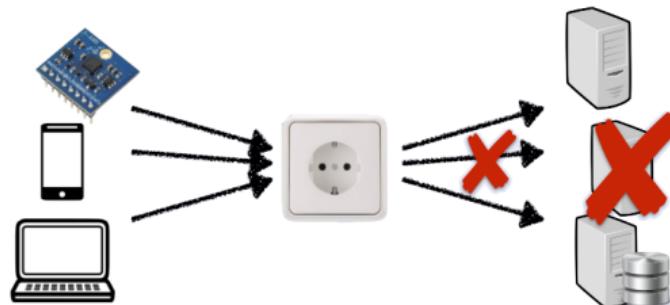
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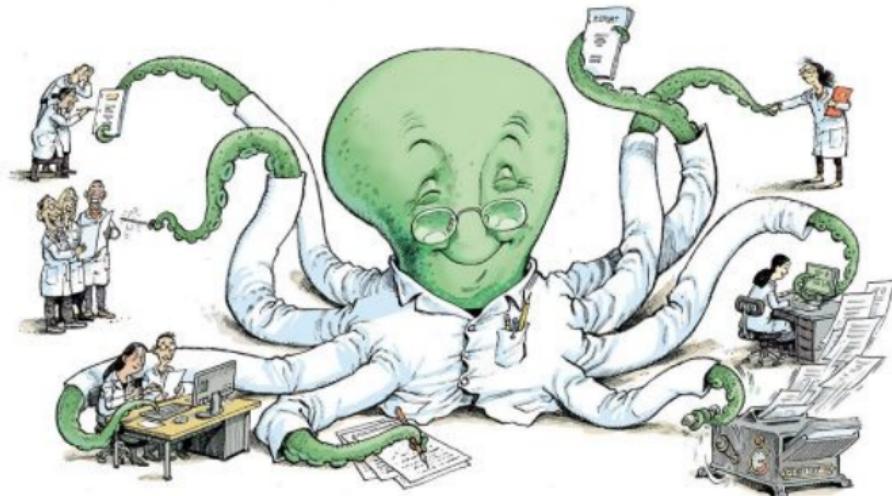


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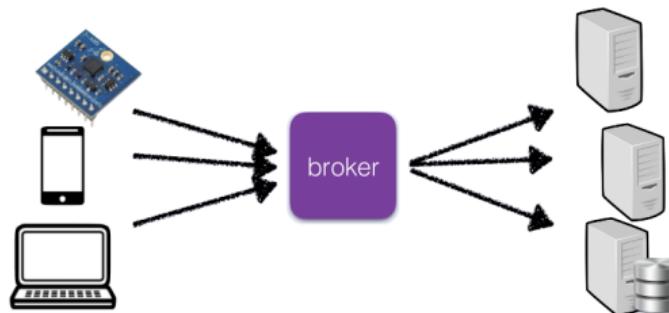
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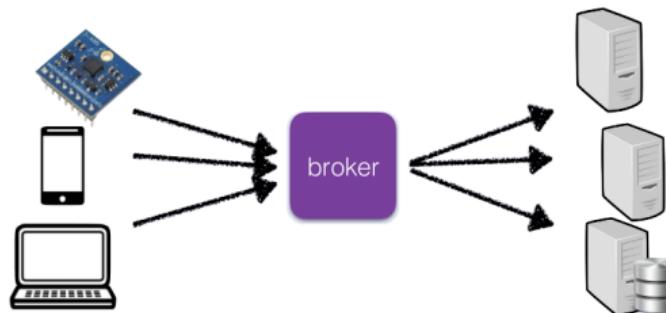
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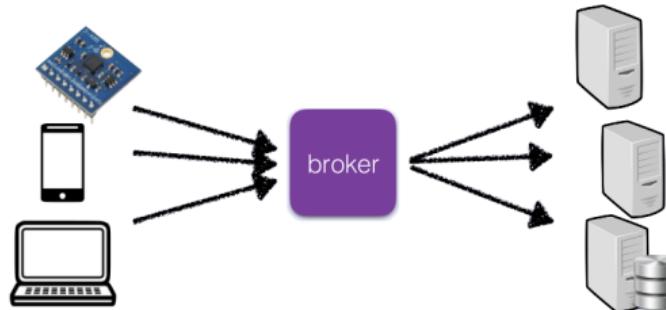
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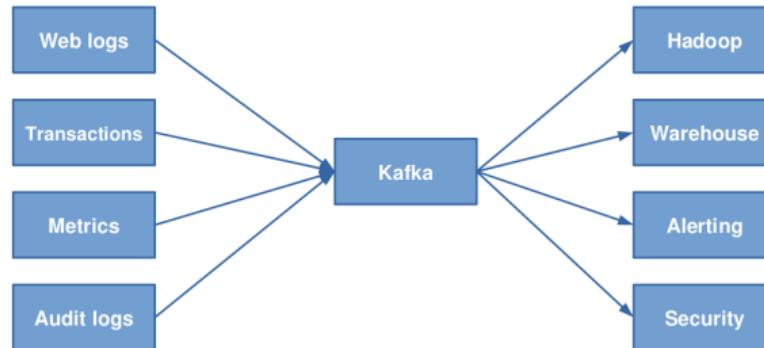


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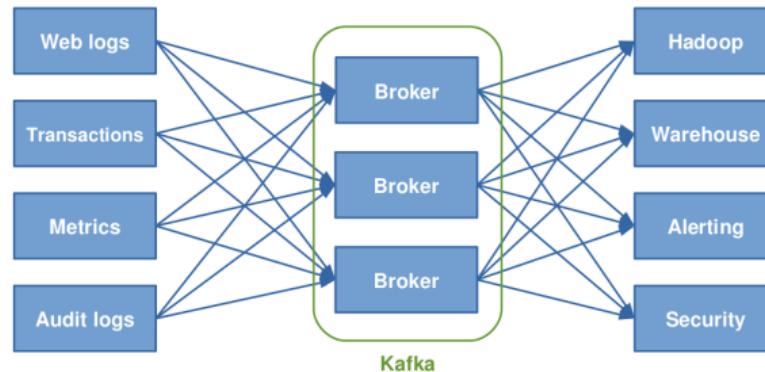
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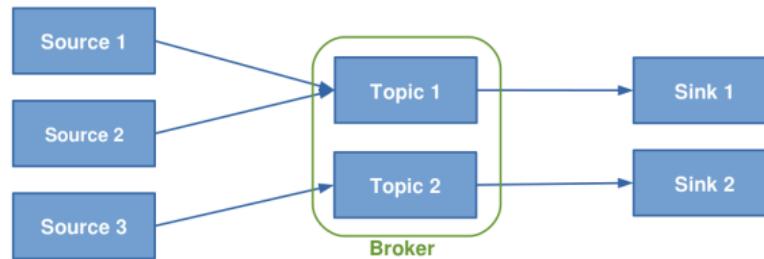
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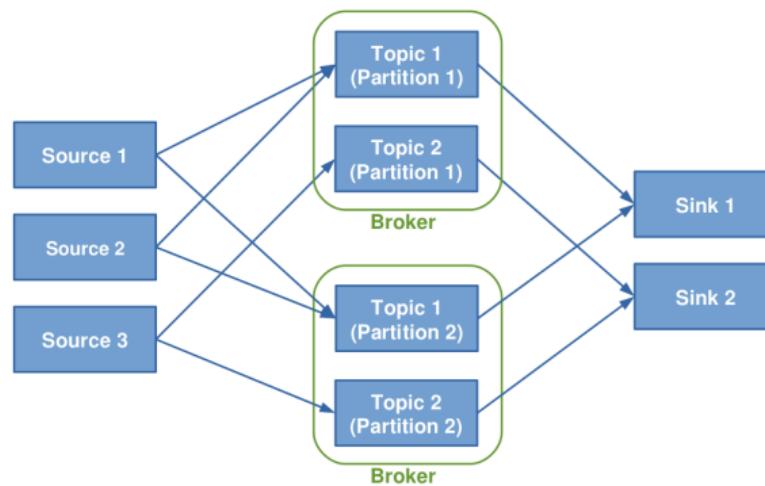
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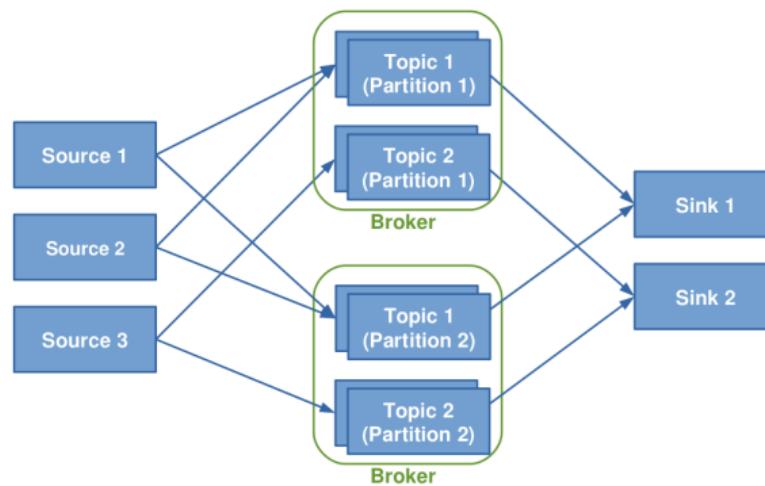
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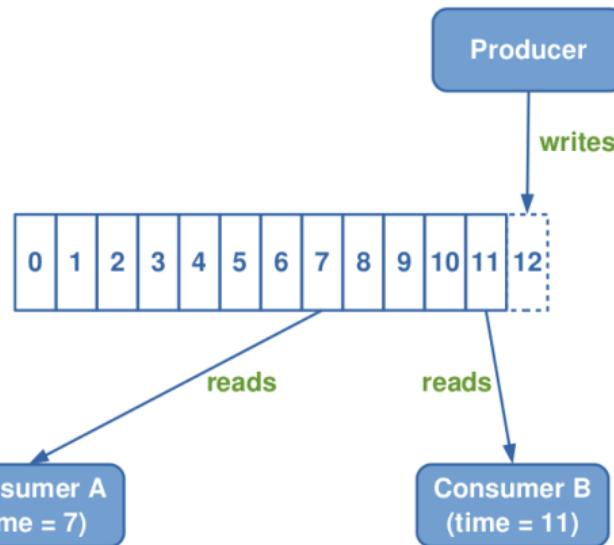
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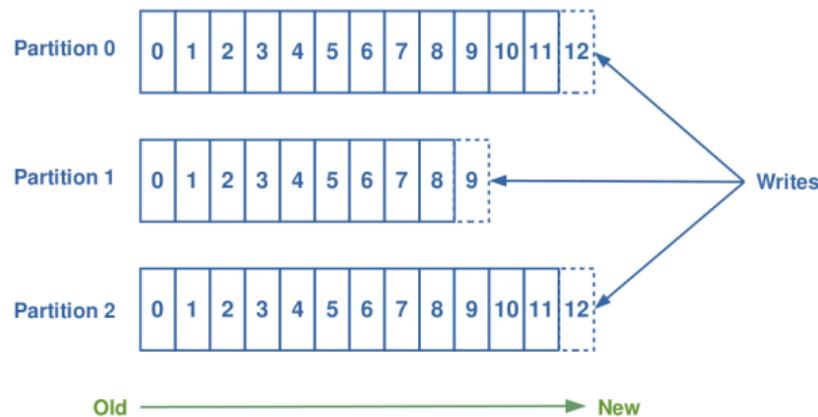
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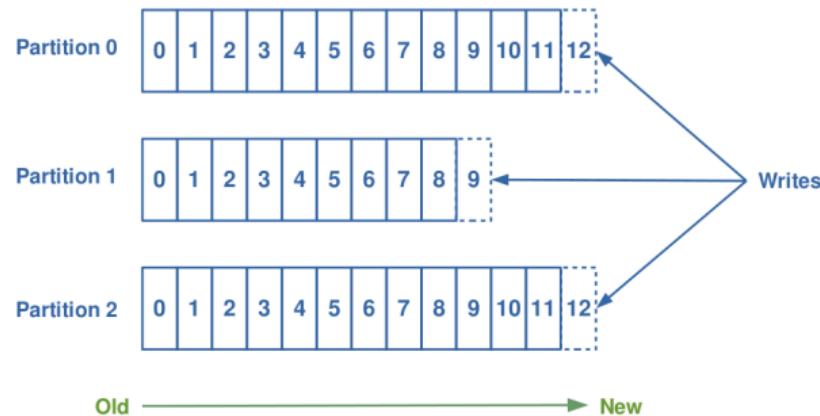
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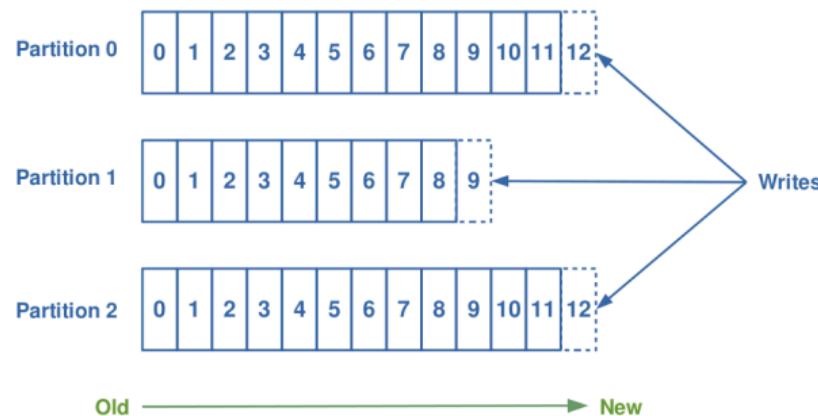
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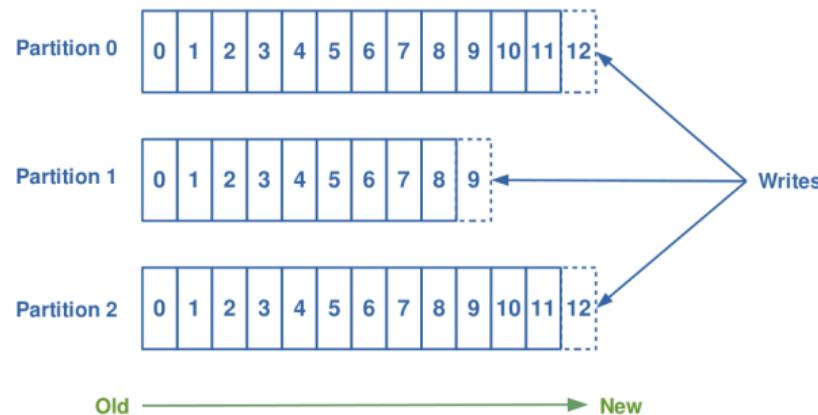
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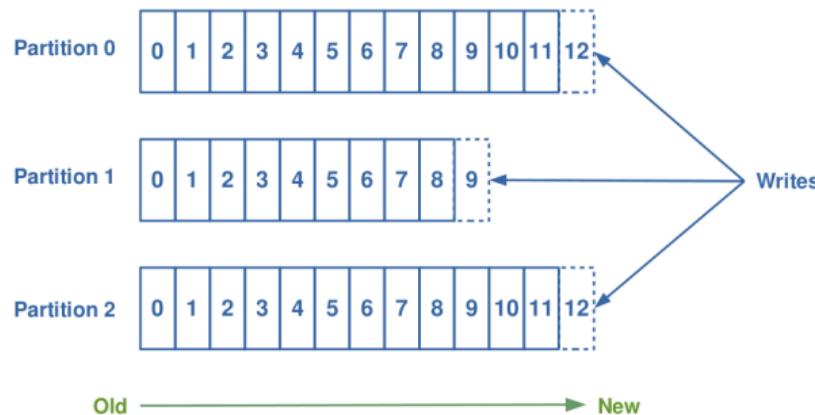
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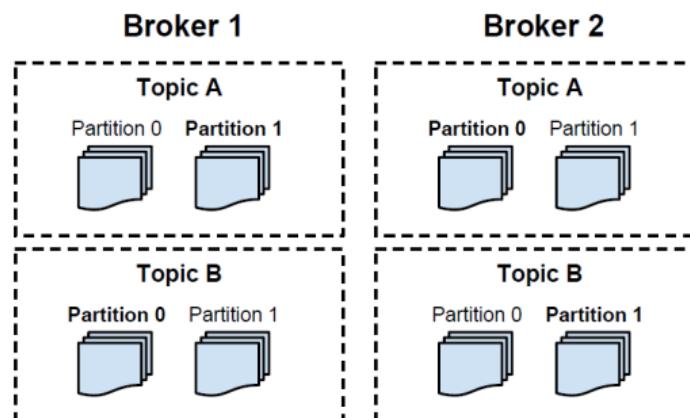
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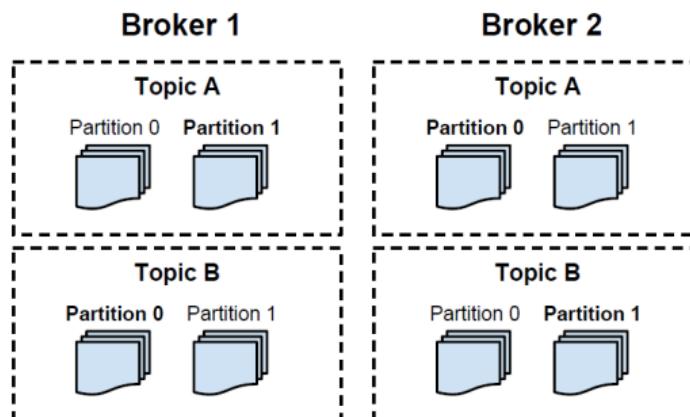
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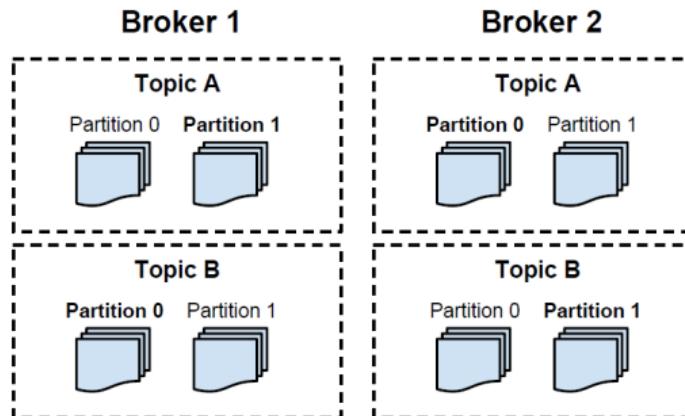
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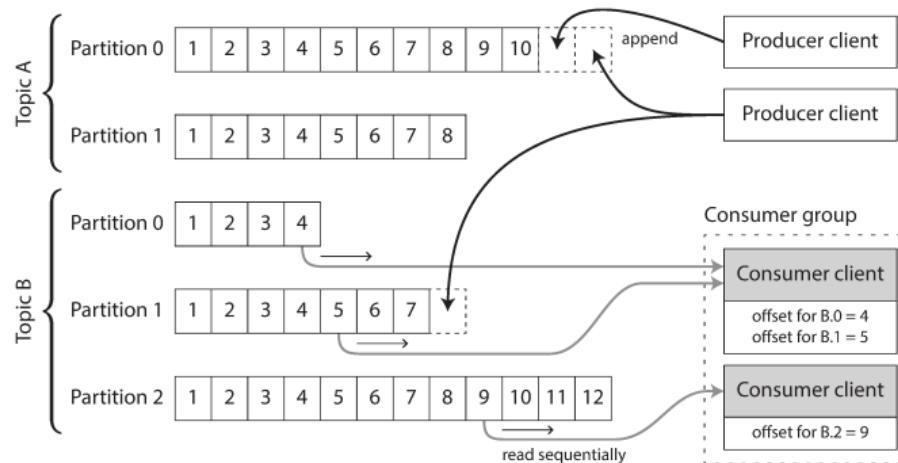


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# Partitioned Logs (6/6)







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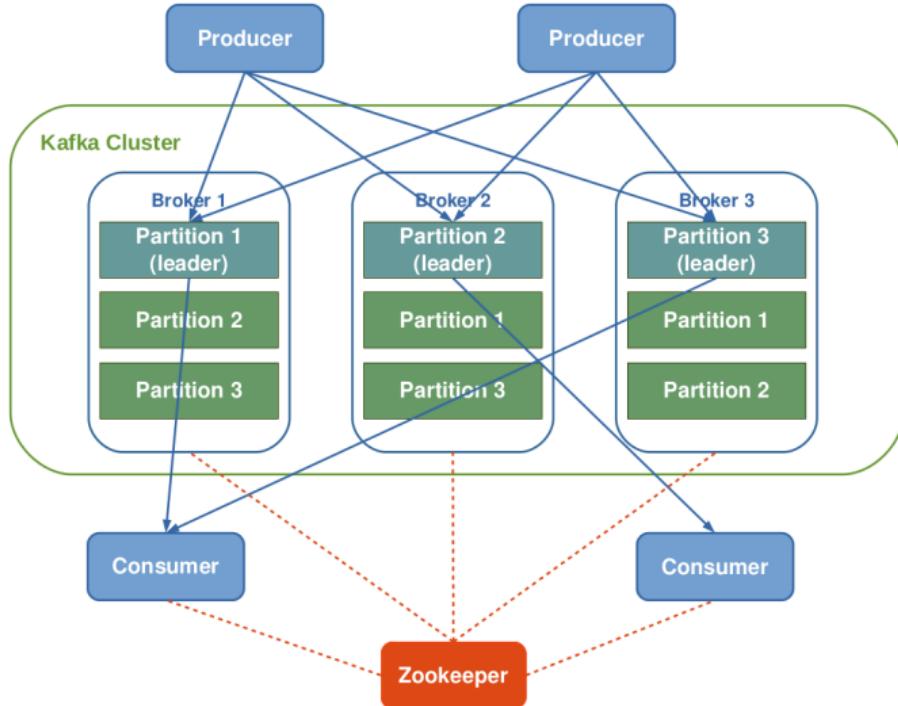
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- ▶ Messaging system and partitioned logs
- ▶ Decoupling producers and consumers
- ▶ Kafka: distributed, topic oriented, partitioned, replicated log service
- ▶ Logs, topics, partition
- ▶ Kafka architecture: producer, consumer, broker, coordinator



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# Questions?