

Agenda.

↳ Design Rate Limiter.

⇒ ChatGPT : 35 requests / 3hrs.

⇒ LinkedIn : limit on no. of connections request we can send/accept per day

⇒ Twitter : View 10k tweets / day.

Rate Limiter.

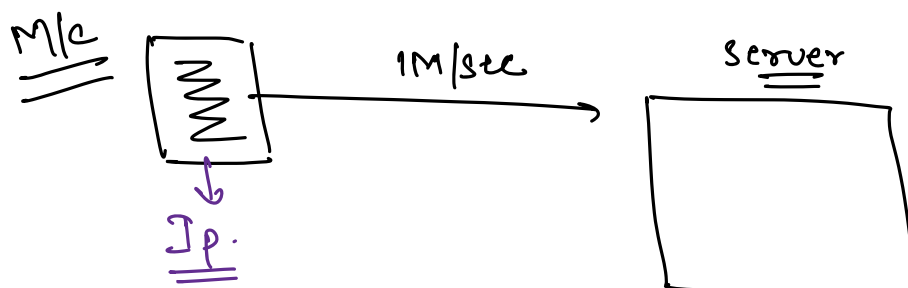
↳ Prevent DDOS attack

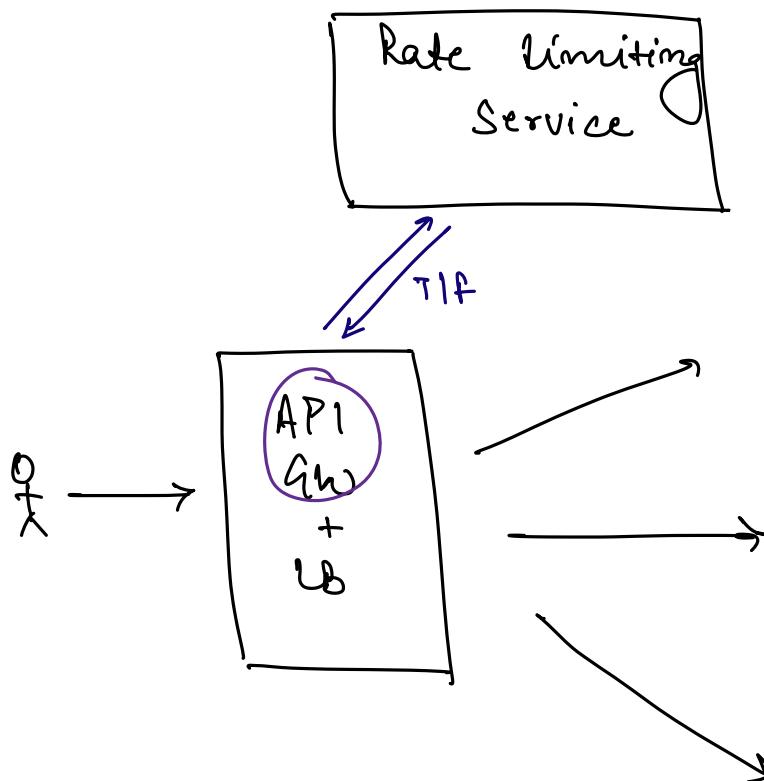
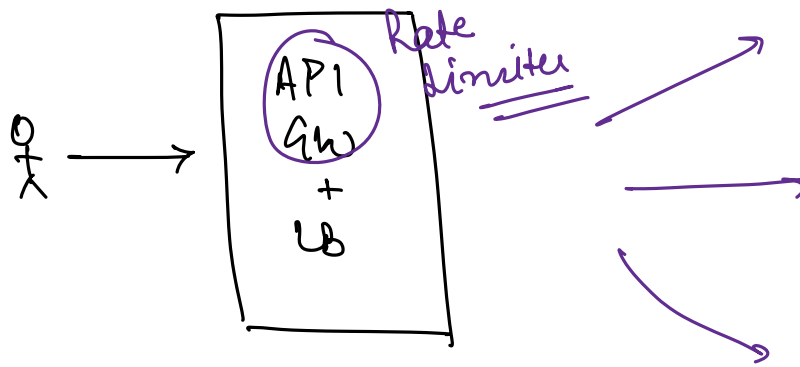
Distributed Denial of Service.

⇒ Our system can down.

⇒ fair usage of the services.

⇒ limit on the no. of API calls can be made from a particular user / IP.





⇒ Http Status Code.

↳ 429
↳ Too many request

Functional Requirements (Features)

- Ability to limit the requests based on a particular criteria.
- Configurable.
- Different APIs can have different limiting criteria.

API endpoint : 10 requests / user / min.
/creatPost

/viewPost : 10K requests / user / Day.

Non functional Requirements

(Trade Offs / Architecture)

CAP.

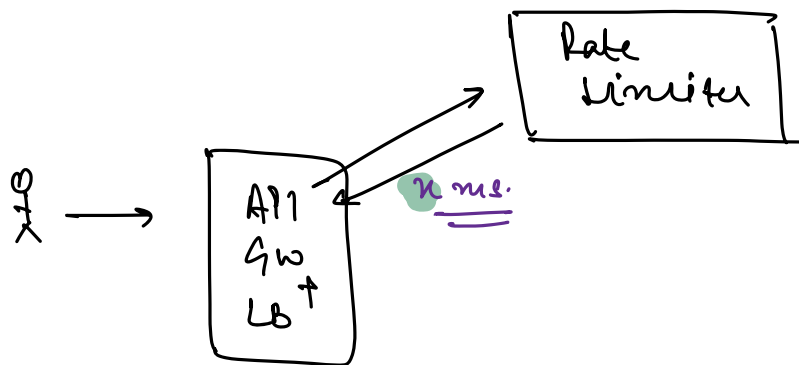
⇒ Consistency (vs) Availability ✓

high Availability.

⇒ If Rate limiting service is Unavailable then our entire service will be Unavailable. So, High availability is MOST of Rate limiter.

⇒ Consistency vs low latency.

⇒ Super low latency.



⇒ Rate limiter is going to be used for API calls, and if its taking more time then latency of all other API will increase.

Back of the envelope calculations.

Twitter | facebook newsfeed.

- ↳ CreatePost(Ξ)
- ↳ ViewPost(Ξ)
- ↳
- ↳
- ↳

⇒ 3B Total users.

DAU : 1B

Aug No. of view post Api Call / user / Day = 50

No. of Api calls / Day = 50B.
(view post)

No. of create post / day = (10% of 1B) * 5

$$= 100M \times 5$$

$$= 500M$$

$$= \underline{\underline{0.5B.}}$$

Total # of API requests = 60B / Day.

$$= \frac{60 \times 10^9}{10^5} \text{ qps.}$$

86400
sec / Day

$$= 60 \times 10^4 \text{ qps.}$$

$$= \underline{\underline{600K \text{ qps}}}$$

Read Heavy (or) Write heavy.

⇒ Both Read & Write heavy.

Storage.

userId/ IP	API id	Count
1042 ↑ 8B	1xyz ↑ 4B.	100 ↑ 8B.

api-endpoints.

— — — — — —	id — — — — — —
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→ 20B

1 Billion users x 10 APIs x 20 Bytes.

$200 \times 10^9 \times \underline{\underline{\text{Bytes}}}$

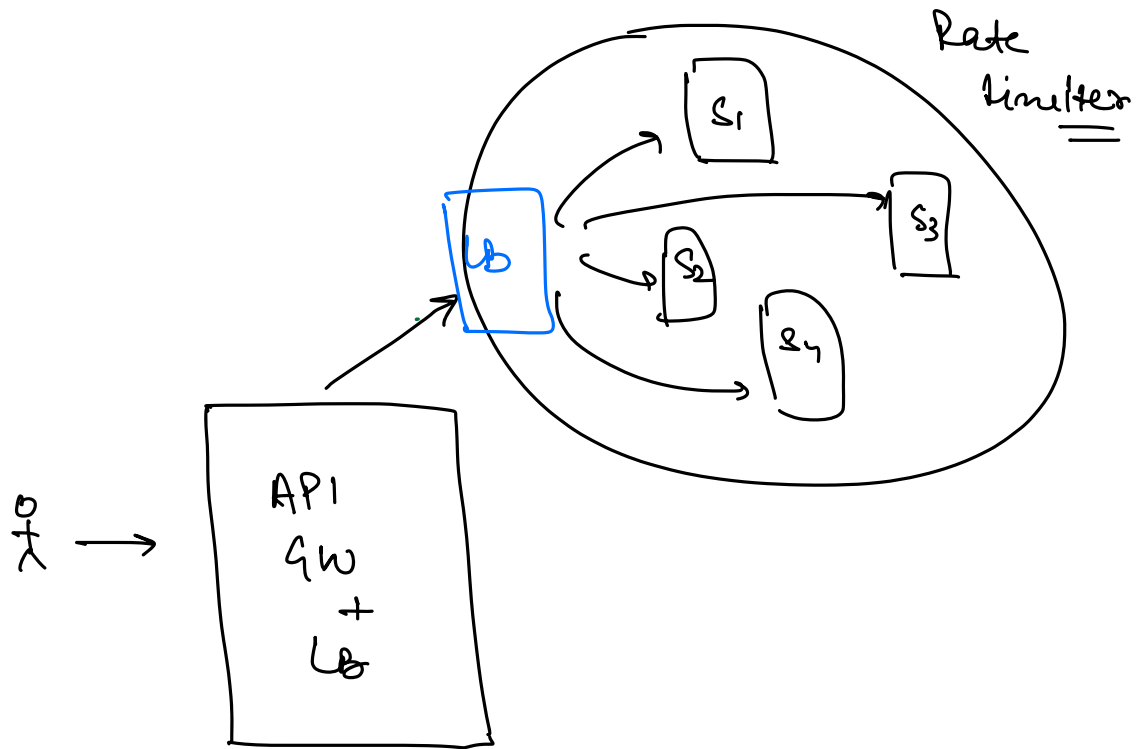
200 GB

⇒ SHARDING X

⇒ No need to persist Data.

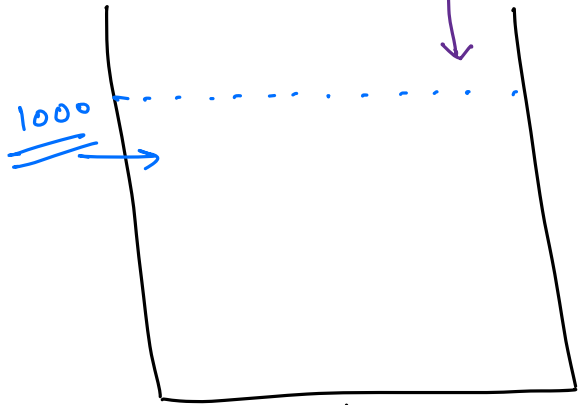
⇒ Cache ✓

⇒ Distributed Rate Limiter



1. Token Bucket Algorithm.

50 tokens/min] defil rate.



userid = 1041

API \Rightarrow accept connection



50 req/min.

= 0



Decline

> 0, -1

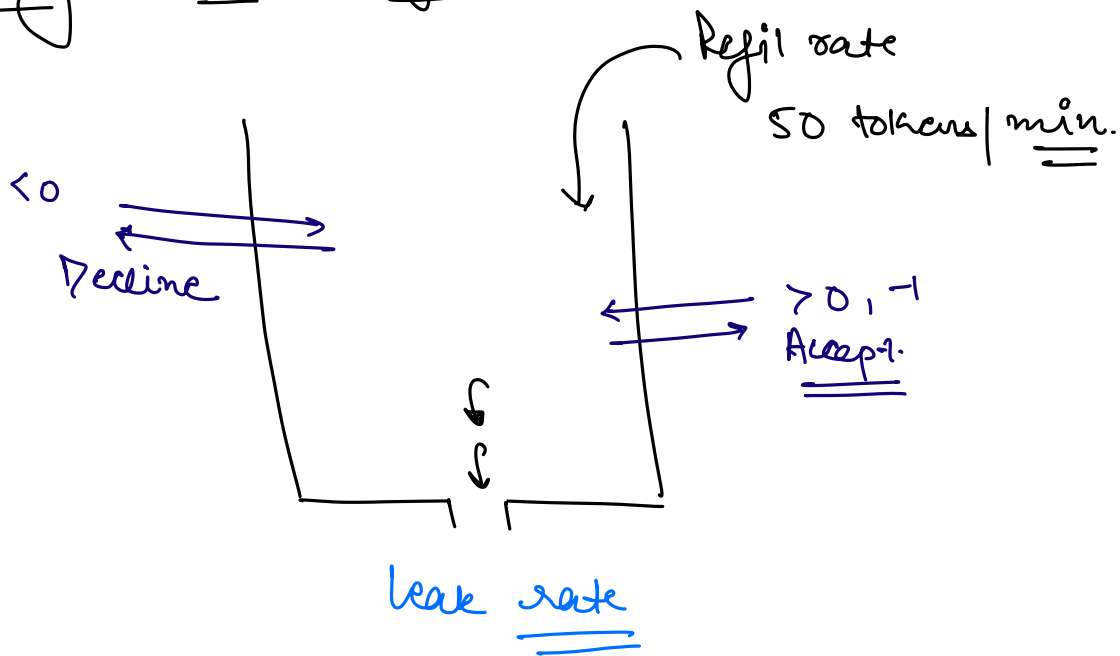


Allow.

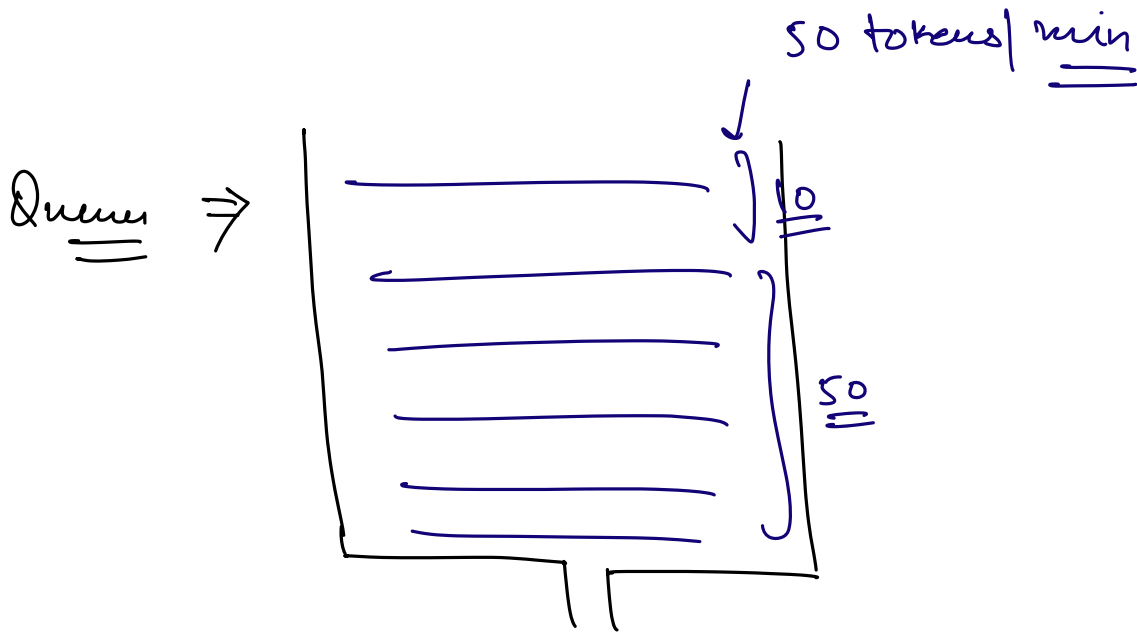
userid + API \Rightarrow Count.

\Rightarrow Bursty Traffic.

2 Leaky Bucket Algo



3.



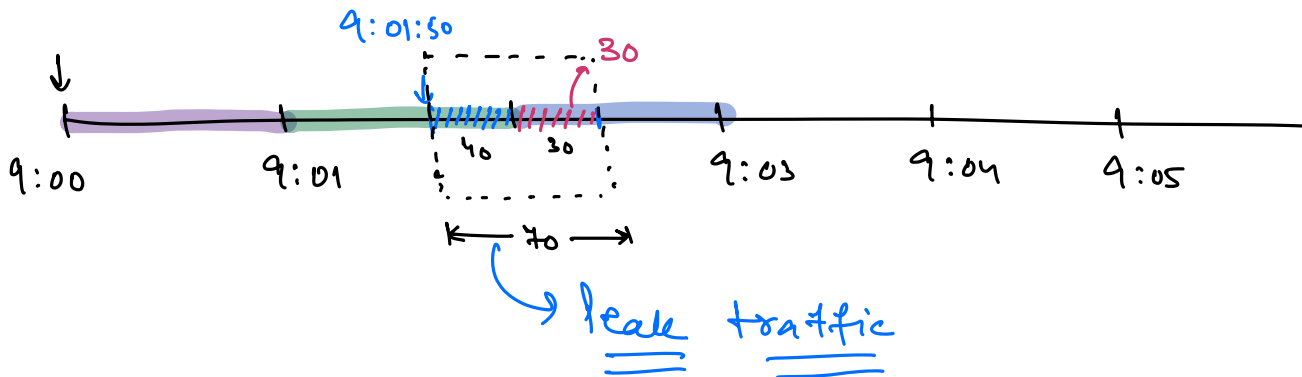
⇒ Resource extensive algo.

⇒ Unfair to the new requests as the older requests will get executed first.

4. Fixed Window Counter

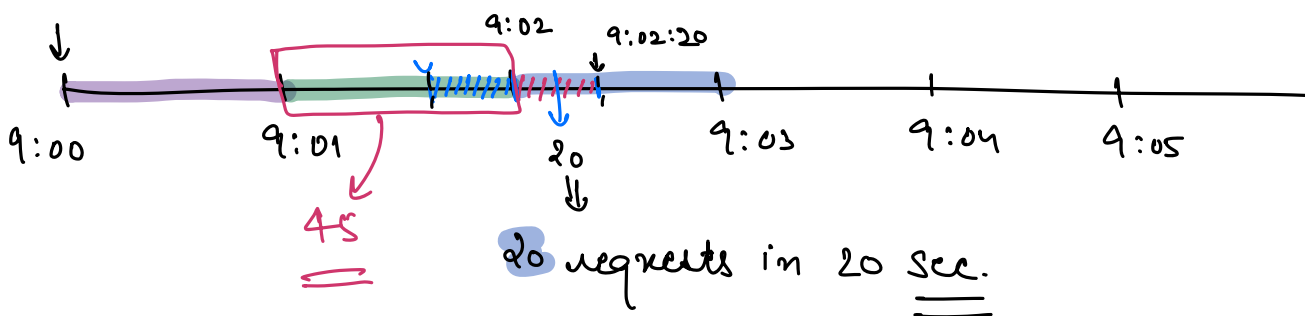
50 requests/min.

At the start of every window, reset the counter.



5. Sliding Window Counter

fixed window counter + solve peak traffic



60 sec \rightarrow 45 req

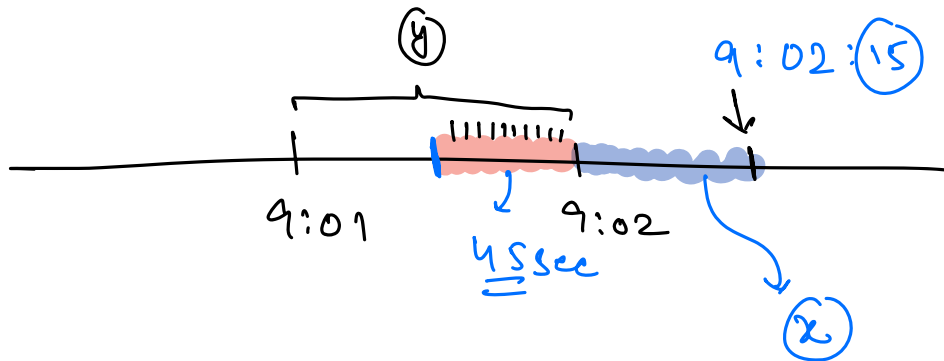
40 sec \rightarrow $\frac{40}{60} \times 45 = 30$

30

of requests in the current min

$$= 20 + \frac{40}{60} \times 45$$

$$= \underline{\underline{50}}$$



$$\# \text{ of req} = x + \frac{45}{60} \times y$$

\Rightarrow Approximation.