



Spark Streaming

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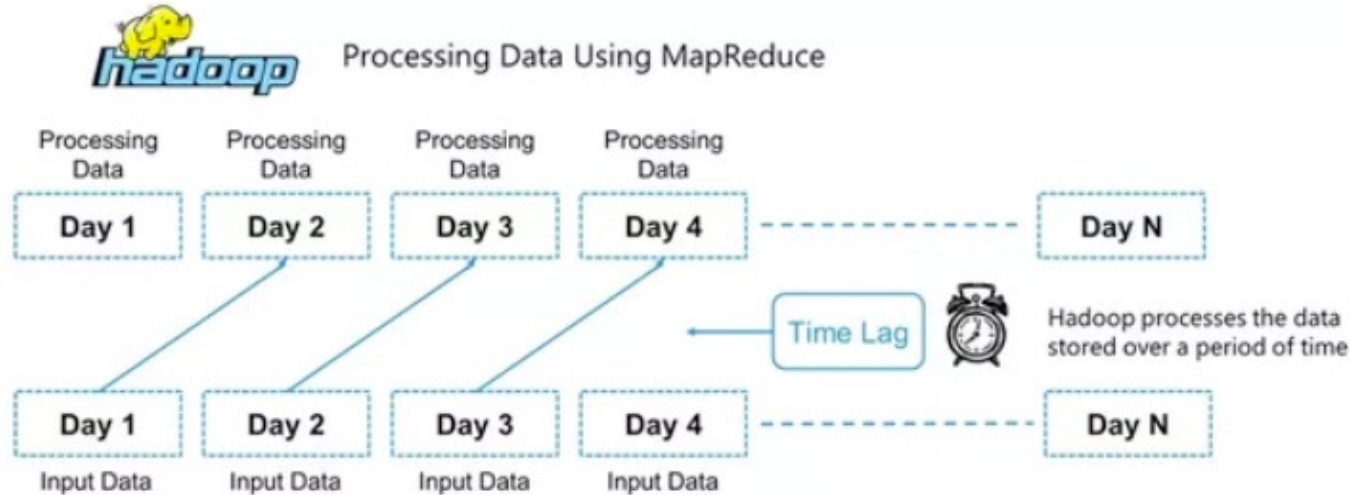
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BATCH PROCESSING

Processing the data collected over a time period

- Traditional Big Data is batch processing
- Results are not real-time; we need to wait for the next “batch”



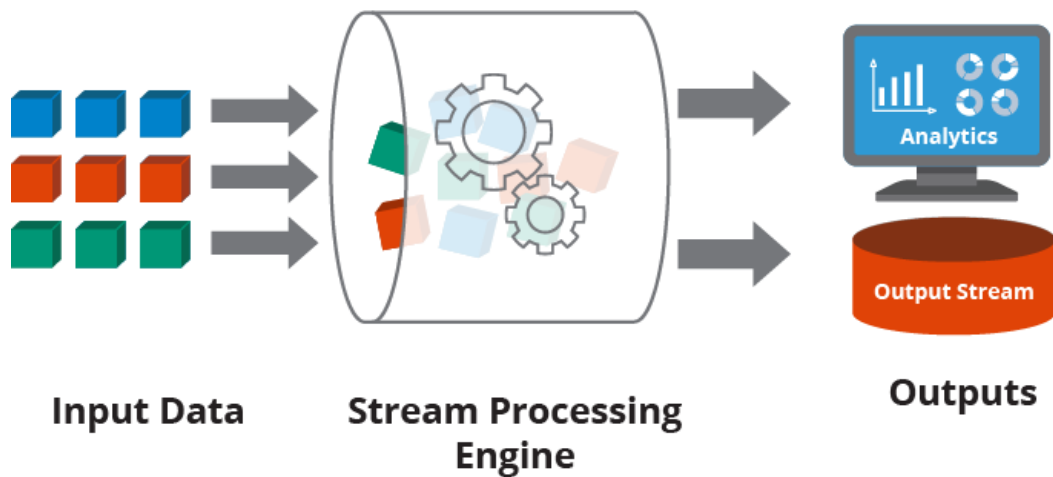
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Definition:

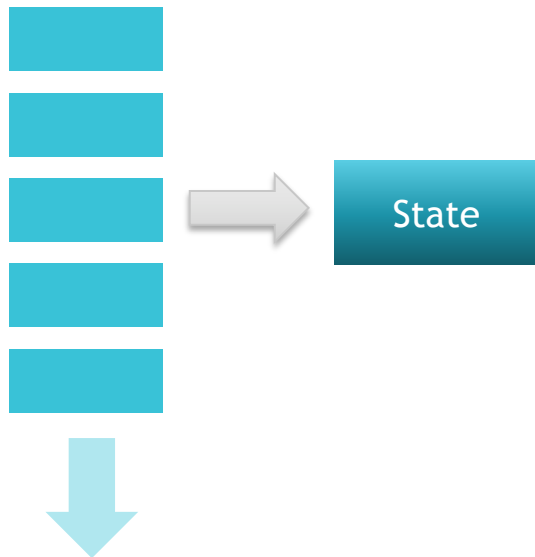
Stream processing is the practice of taking action on a series of data at the time the data is created.



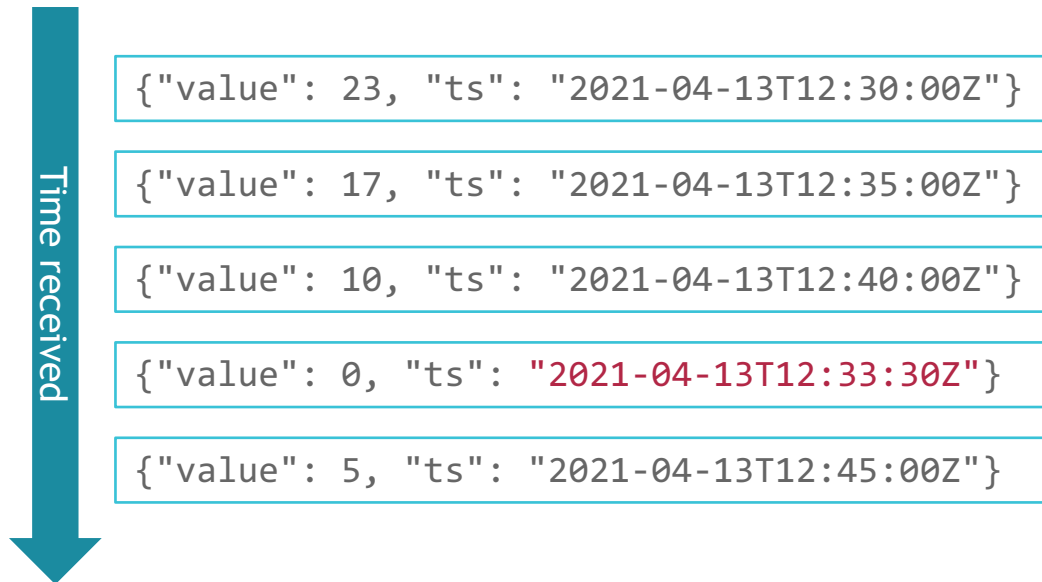
An overview on [Hazelcast](#)

STREAMING CHALLENGES

State management



Event time vs processing time; late events

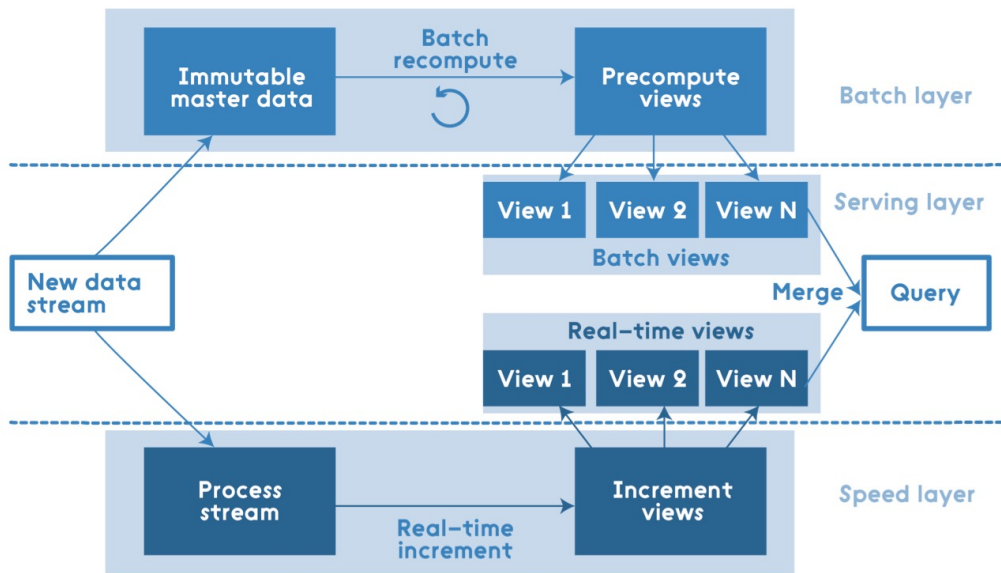


Traditionally it was considered in-accurate and unreliable

LAMBDA ARCHITECTURE

Attempts to balance latency, throughput, and fault-tolerance by

- using **batch processing** to provide comprehensive and accurate views of batch data,
- while simultaneously using real-time **stream processing** to provide views of online data.



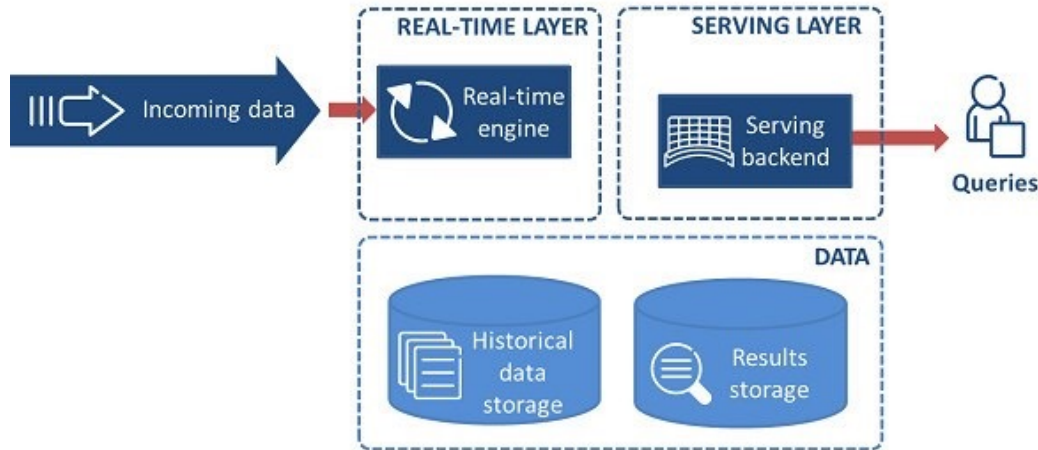
Disadvantages

- Two codebases, need to be in sync
- Complex architecture, specialized tools

KAPPA ARCHITECTURE

Is a software architecture used for processing streaming data. The main premise is that you can

- perform both real-time and batch processing with a single technology stack.



- **Everything is a stream**
Batch operations become a subset of streaming
- **Keep it short and simple (KISS) principle.**
A single analytics engine is required
Coding and maintenance are simpler
- **Immutable data sources**
Data source is persisted, and views are derived
State can always be recomputed from source
- **Replay functionality**
Computations and results can evolve by
replaying the historical data from a stream

AGENDA

Handling events



- **Apache Kafka** is a distributed data store optimized for ingesting and processing streaming data in real-time.
- **Simplified definition:**
Persistent & scalable messaging platform

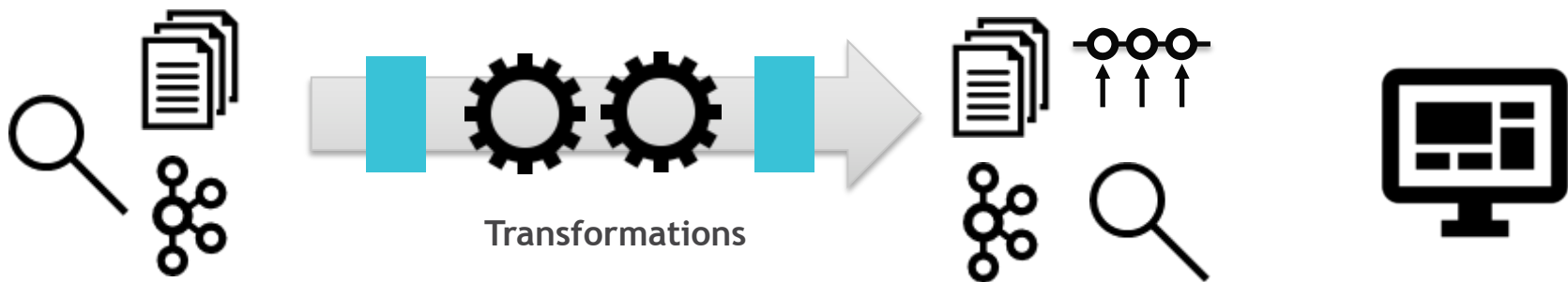
Processing events



- **Spark streaming** is an extension of the core Spark API that enables scalable, high-throughput, fault-tolerant stream processing of live data streams.
- **Spark streaming workshop**



STREAM PROCESSING – CONCEPTS



Source

- Files
- Kafka
- Socket (testing)
- Rate (testing)
- ...

Triggers

- Default (microbatch)
- Fixed interval
- Once
- Continuous (experimental)

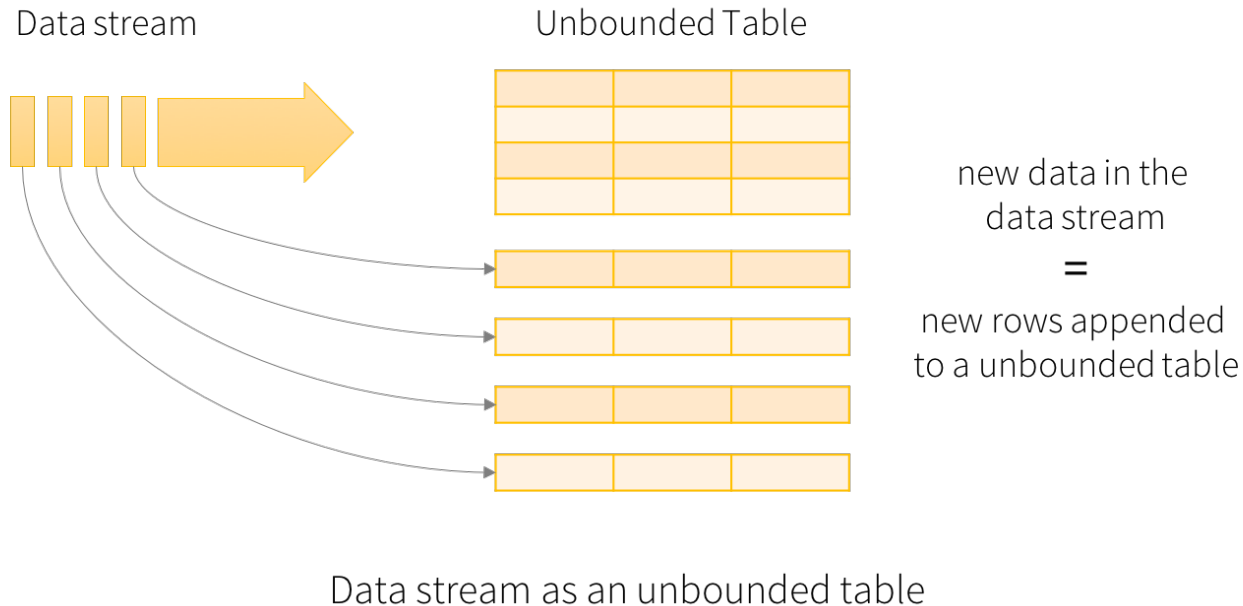
Sink

- Files
- Kafka
- Foreach
- Console (testing)
- ...

Output modes

- Append (default)
- Update
- Complete

SPARK – STRUCTURED STREAMING



- Spark's DataFrame API can be used
- Streams are (unbounded) data frames
- Operations on unbounded data frames result in unbounded data frames
- The same API can be used for both batch and stream processing

STRUCTURED STREAMING

Dataframe API

Transformations

- Simple transformations
- Aggregations
- Joins
 - Stream-Static
 - Stream-Stream

Limitations apply

```
val input = spark.readStream
    .schema(schema)
    .json("/path/to/folder")

val countStream = input
    .where("size > 10")
    .groupBy("category")
    .count()

countStream.writeStream
    .outputMode("complete")
    .format("console")
    .start()
```

DEMO – SPARK STRUCTURED STREAMING



Source code available on



GitHub

[medvekoma/streaming-workshop](https://github.com/medvekoma/streaming-workshop)

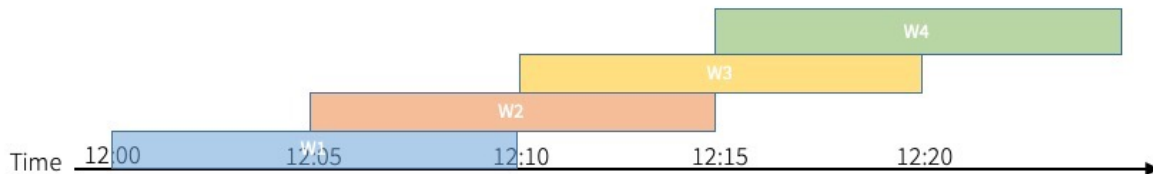
EVENT TIME & TIME WINDOWS

- Event time != processing time
- Event time is usually a field in the data
- Often, we group the data by event time windows
- Window types
 - Tumbling windows
 - Sliding windows
 - Session windows

Tumbling Windows (5 mins)



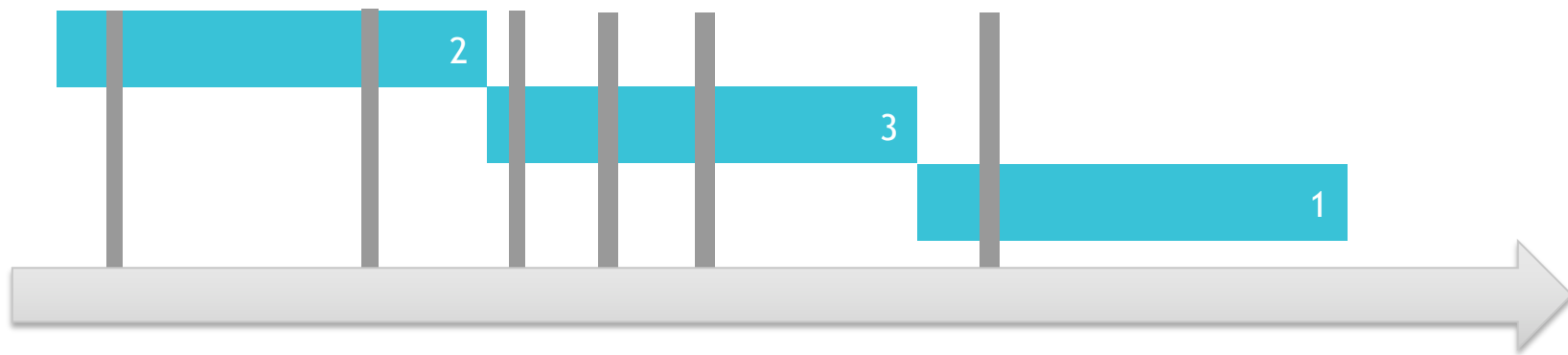
Sliding Windows (10 mins, slide 5 mins)



Session Windows (gap duration 5 mins)



EVENT TIME WINDOWS – TUMBLING WINDOWS

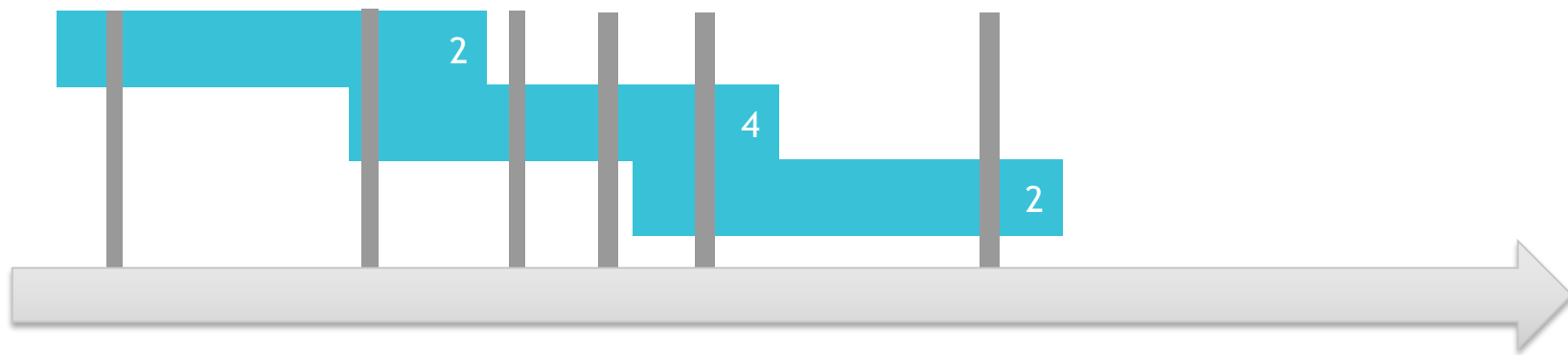


Window types

- Tumbling window

```
streamingDF
  .groupBy(
    window(col("event_time"), "15 minutes"))
  .count()
```


EVENT TIME WINDOWS – SLIDING WINDOWS

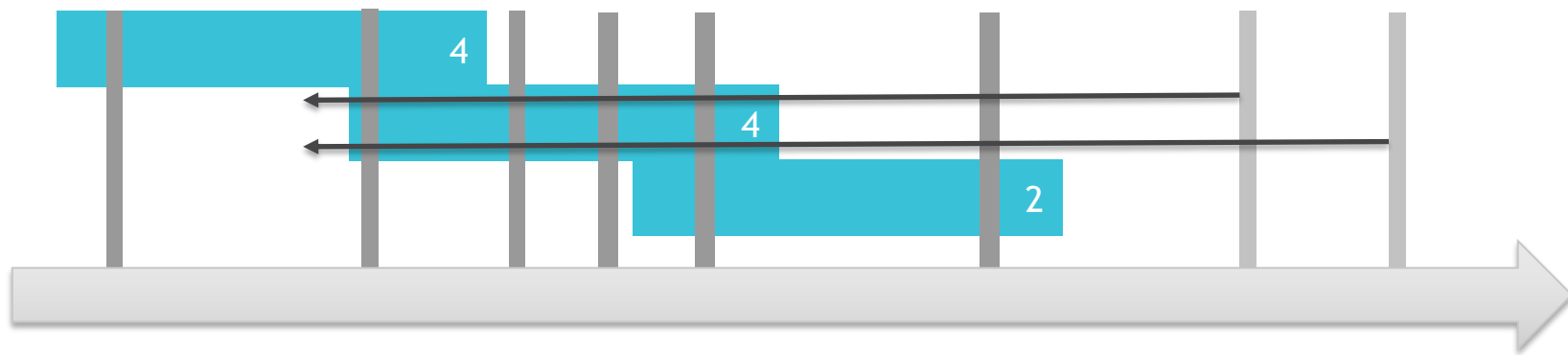


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EVENT TIME WINDOWS – LATE EVENTS



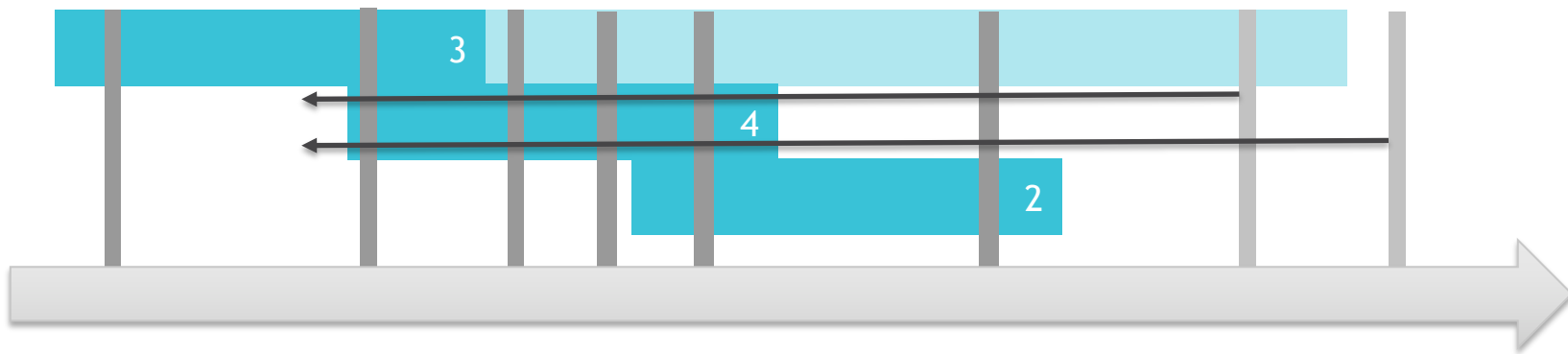
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EVENT TIME WINDOWS – WATERMARKS



Window types

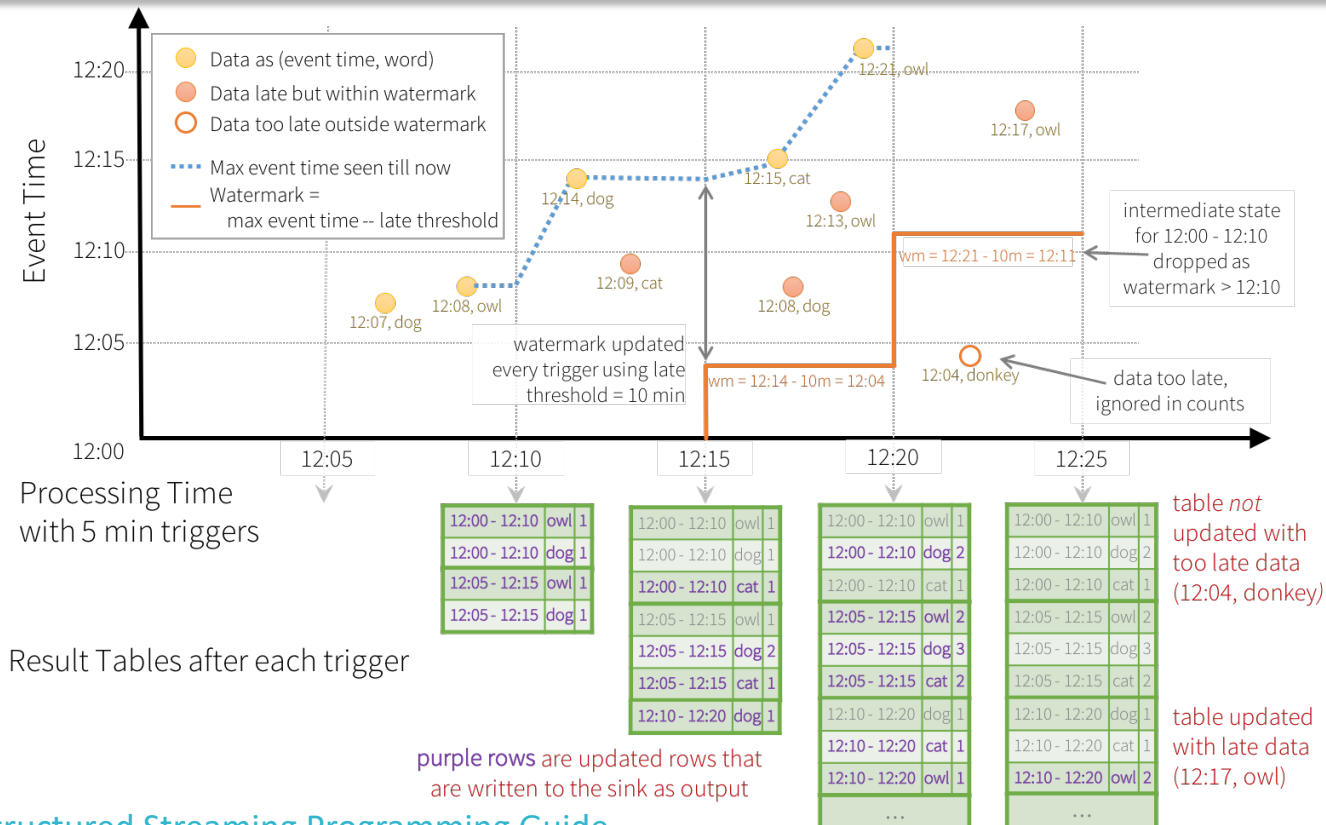
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Late events

- Watermarks

```
streamingDF
  .withWatermarks("event_time", "30 minutes")
  .groupBy(
    window(col("event_time"), "15 minutes", "10 minutes"))
  .count()
```

LATE EVENTS AND WATERMARKS



More info: [Structured Streaming Programming Guide](#)

STREAMING – TAKE AWAY



- Apache Kafka is a persistent, scalable messaging platform
- Structured Streaming is „Dataframe but streaming”
- A stream is an unbounded table
- The same API for batch and streaming
- Event time != processing time
- Late events & watermarks



Questions?