

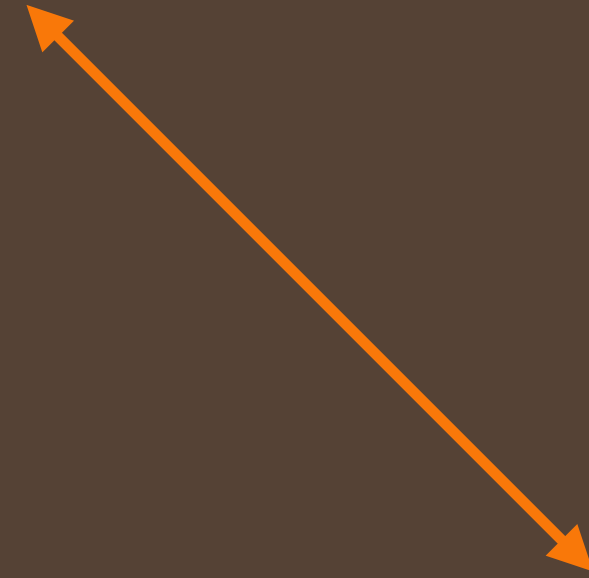
**CONCURRENT**  
*and* **RESILIENT**  
**CONNECTIONS** *to*  
*outside the BEAM*

ets

mnesia

**ERLANG VM**

message passing

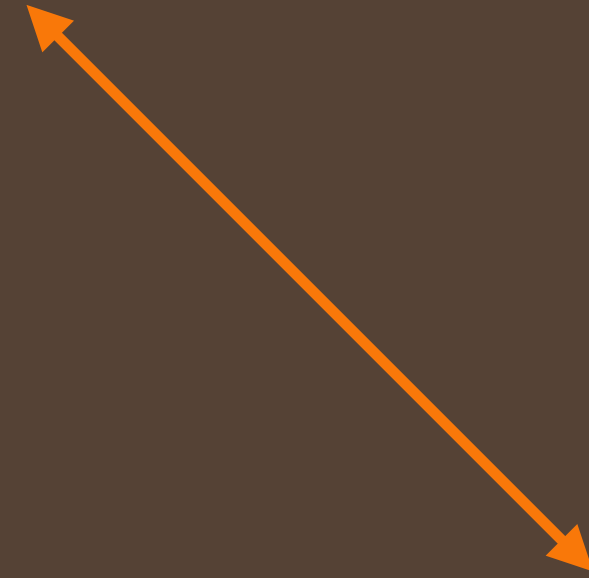


key-value store

relational db

**ERLANG VM**

message queue

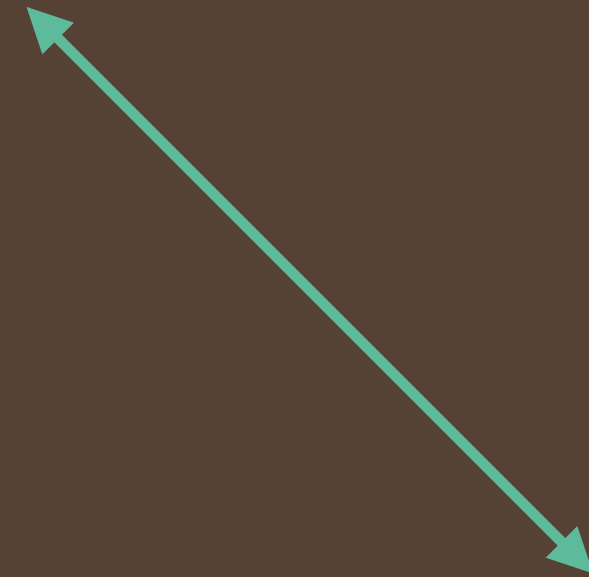


key-value store

relational db

**ERLANG VM**

message queue



**the outside world is**

**SCARY**



A man with a beard and sunglasses is running across a paved plaza in a park. In the background, there is a large, calm pond reflecting the surrounding trees and city buildings. The sky is clear and blue. The man is wearing a black t-shirt, light-colored shorts, and dark sneakers. The text "ANDREA LEOPARDI @WHATYOUHIDE" is overlaid in yellow on the left side of the image.

**ANDREA LEOPARDI**  
**@WHATYOUHIDE**



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FOOTBALL ADDICTS



# GENSERVER

## TCP

*the* **SILLY** *way*



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*opening*

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**NEW**

*connections is*

**EXPENSIVE**

keeping the socket in a

**GENSERVER**



**TWO**

*blocking*

**WAYS**

*non-blocking*

# TWO WAYS

*blocking*

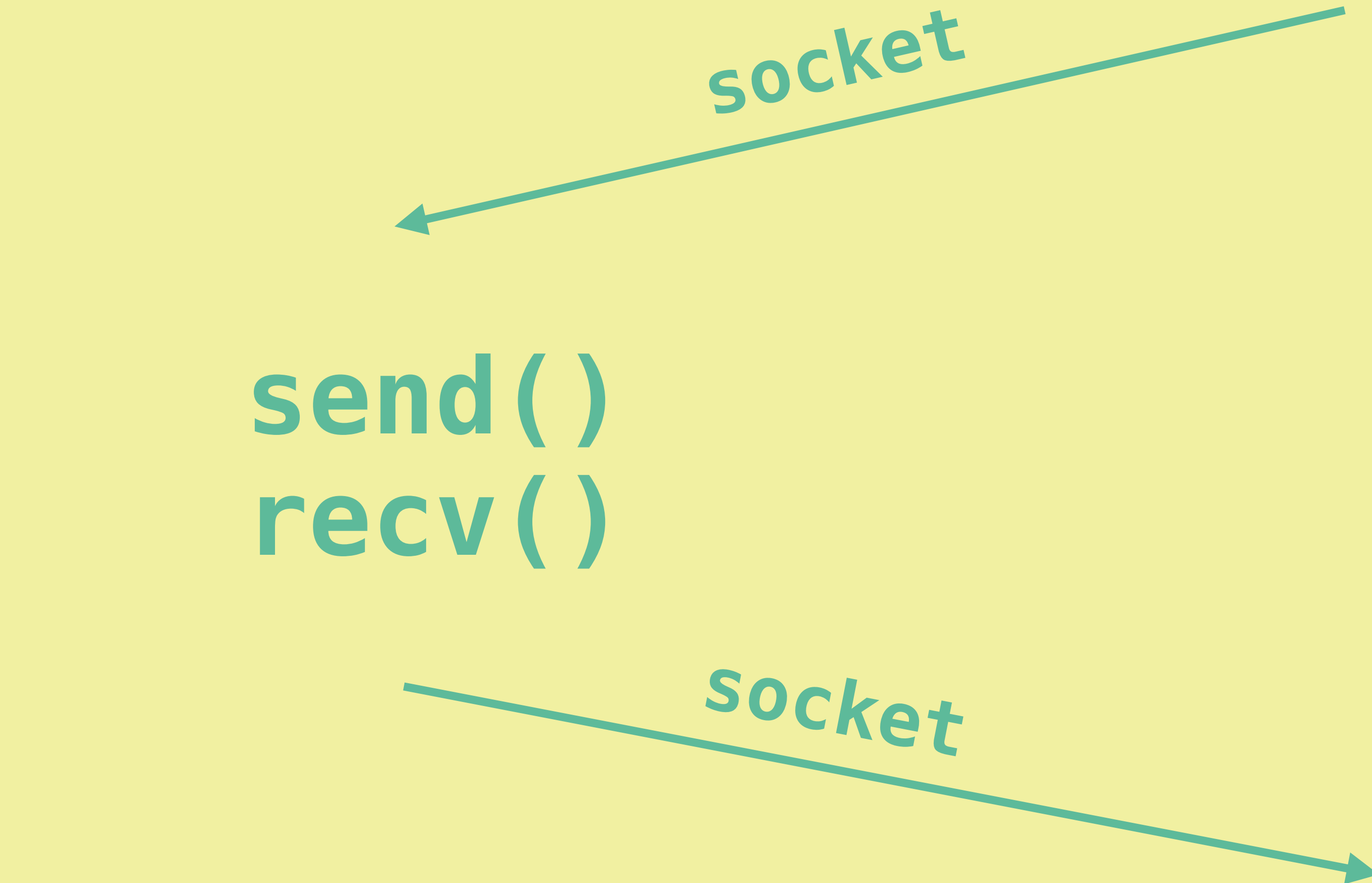
# CLIENT

# GENSERVER

socket

send()  
recv()

socket



```
defmodule Redis do  
  def command(conn, cmd) do  
    sock = checkout(conn)  
    # send and recv  
    checkin(conn, sock)  
  end  
end
```



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  end
end
```

**{:error, :checked\_out}**

**VS**

**:queue.in()**

**POOLING :|**

# TWO WAYS

*non-blocking*



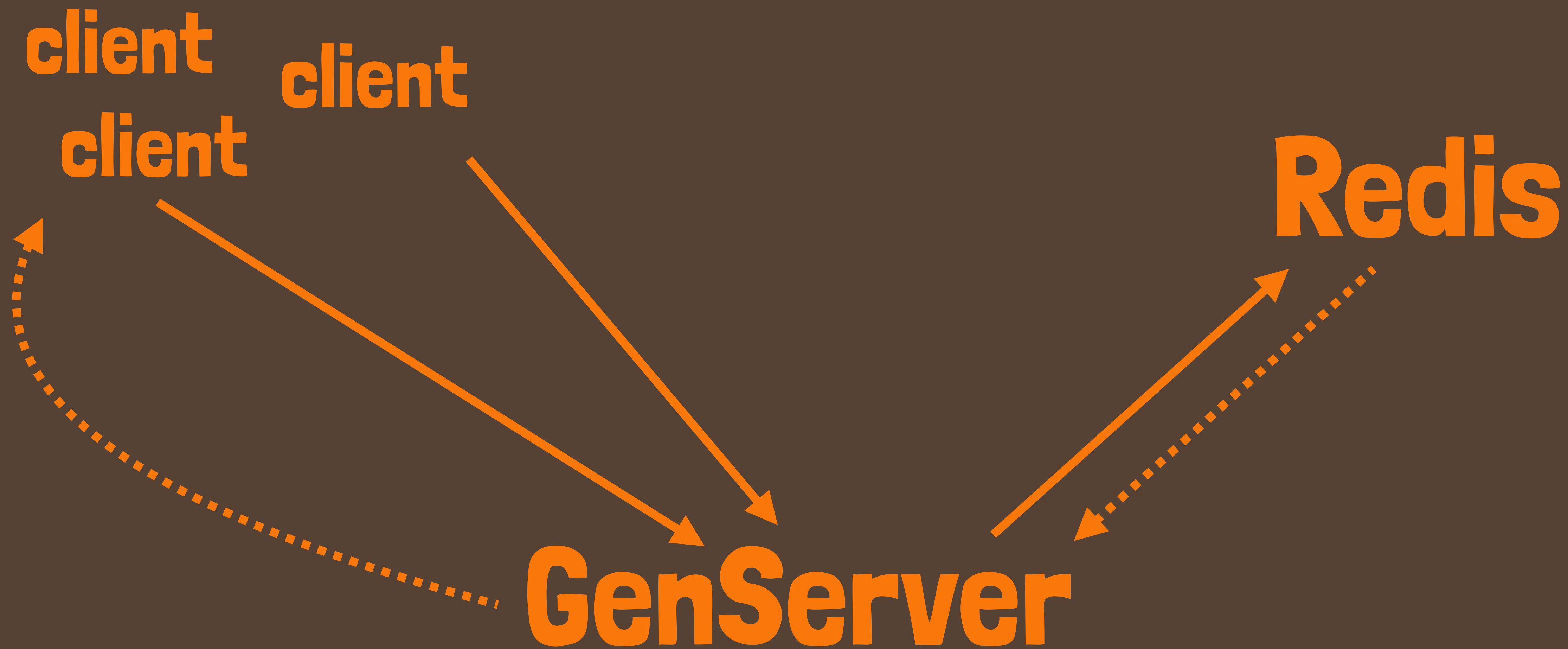
`active: true`



`{:noreply, _}`

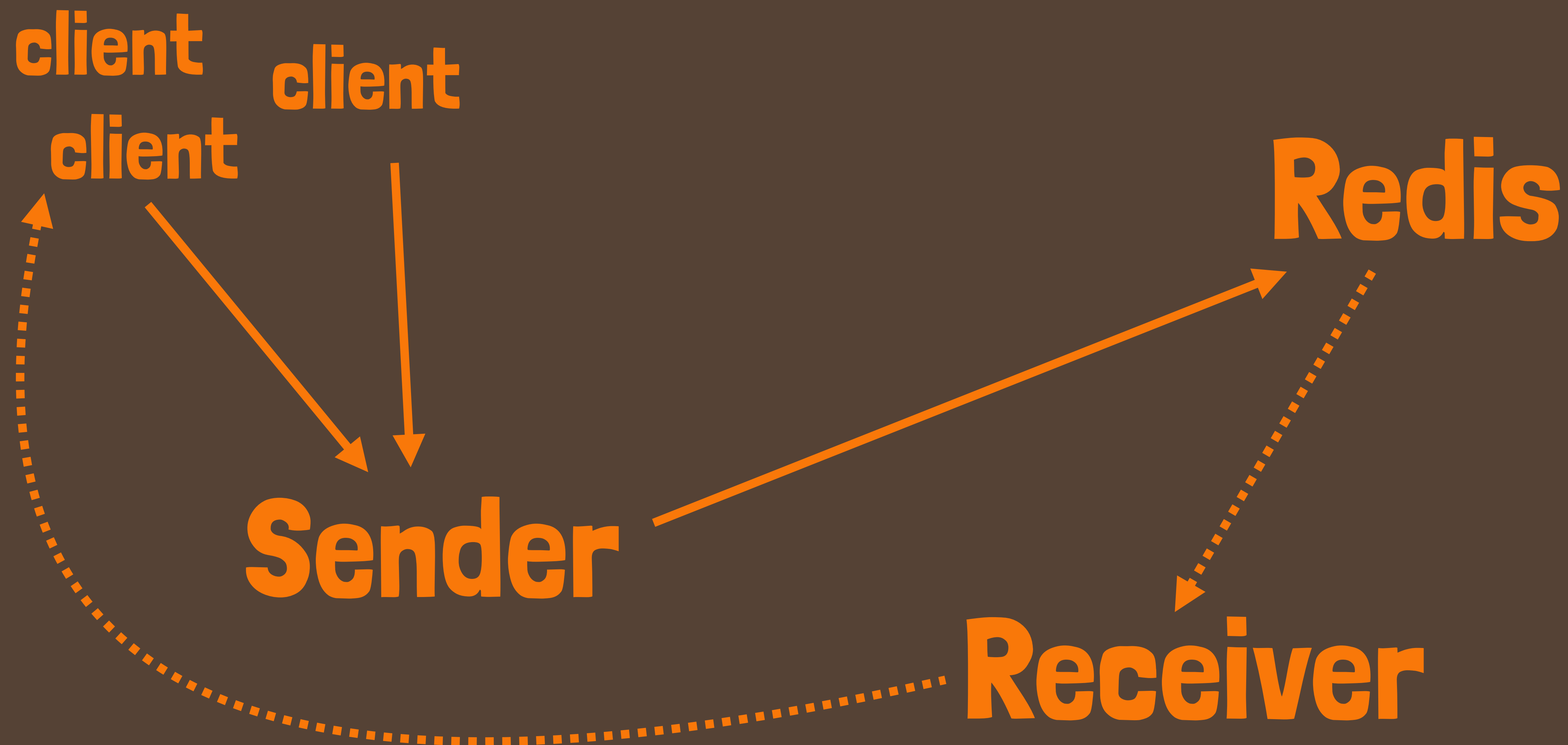


`GenServer.reply/2`



tcp is

**FULL DUPLEX**





# TWO

## *blocking*

**copies less data +  
enc/dec on client +  
needs pooling –  
doesn't use full duplex –**

# WAYS

## *non-blocking*

**– copies more data  
– enc/dec in server  
+ doesn't need pooling  
+ uses full duplex**

RESIL

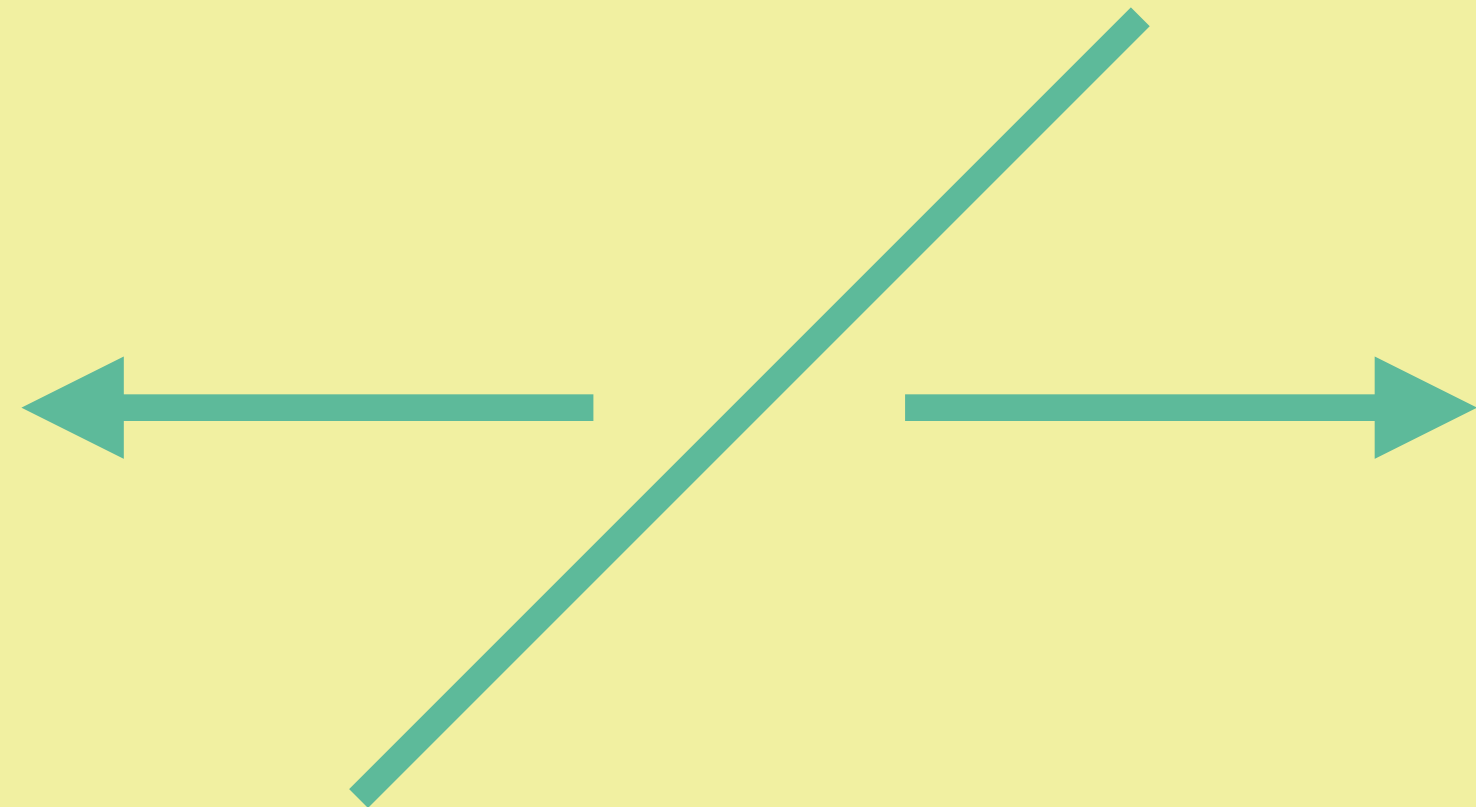
ENCY

**GenServer**



**Redis**

**GenServer**



**Redis**

**{:tcp\_closed,  
reason}**



**backoff + reconnect**



**hex.pm/packages/connection**

**gen -**



The diagram consists of a large dark brown oval containing a smaller teal oval. The word "Connection" is written in teal text above the teal oval, and the word "GenServer" is written in yellow text inside the teal oval.

**Connection**

**GenServer**

init/1

connect/2

disconnect/2

handle\_call/3

handle\_cast/2

handle\_info/2

terminate/2

code\_change/3

```
{:backoff,  
  timeout,  
  state}
```

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```
{:disconnect,  
  reason,  
  state}
```

sync/async

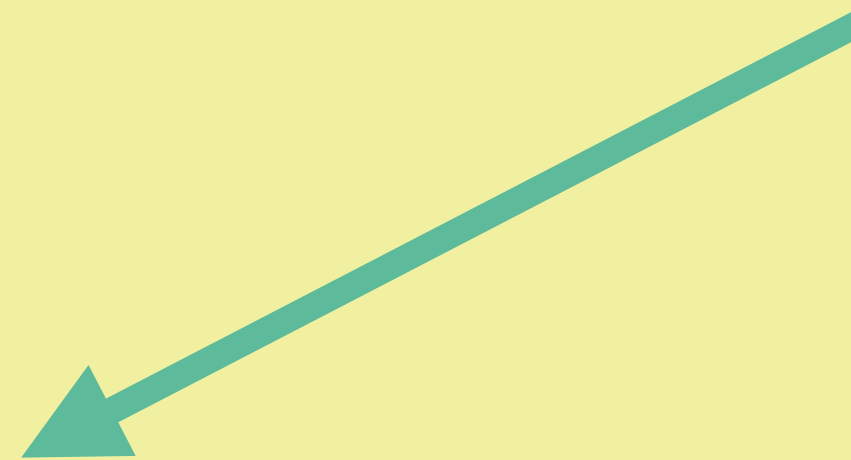
CONNECT

# SYNC

`start_link`

`init()`  
**`connect`**

`{:ok, pid}`



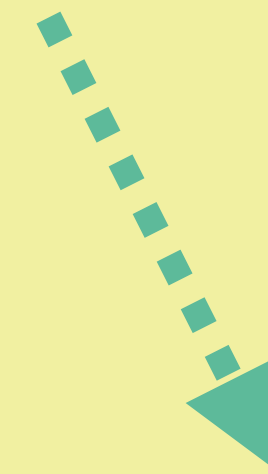
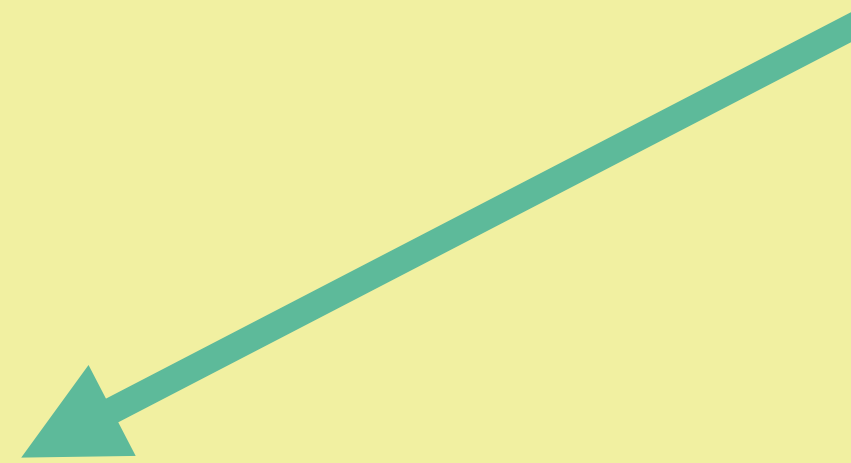
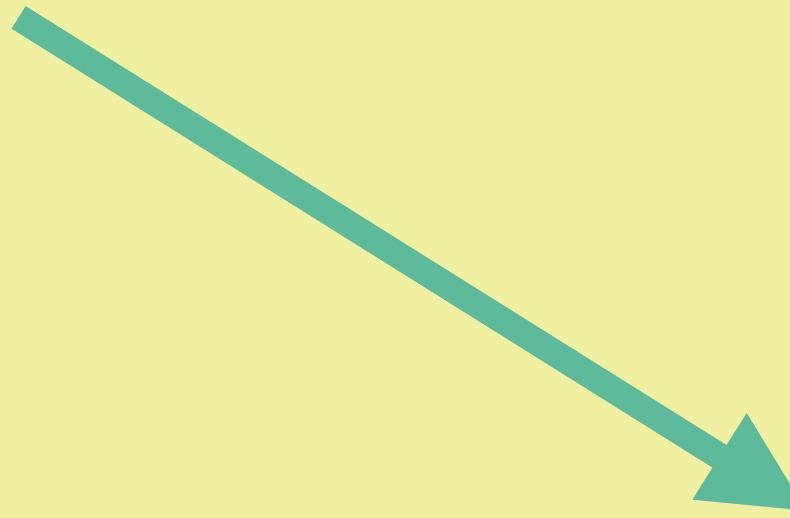
# ASYNc

`start_link`

`init()`

`{:ok, pid}`

`connect()`  
**`connect`**





*Fred Hebert*

**You now allow initializations with fewer guarantees: they went from "the connection is available" to "the connection manager is available".**

**CONNECTION**  
**TALKING**  
**CONCURRENCY**  
**RESILIENCY**

**@whatyouhide**