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# How Koo used Amazon DynamoDB to connect millions of voices globally

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# Agenda

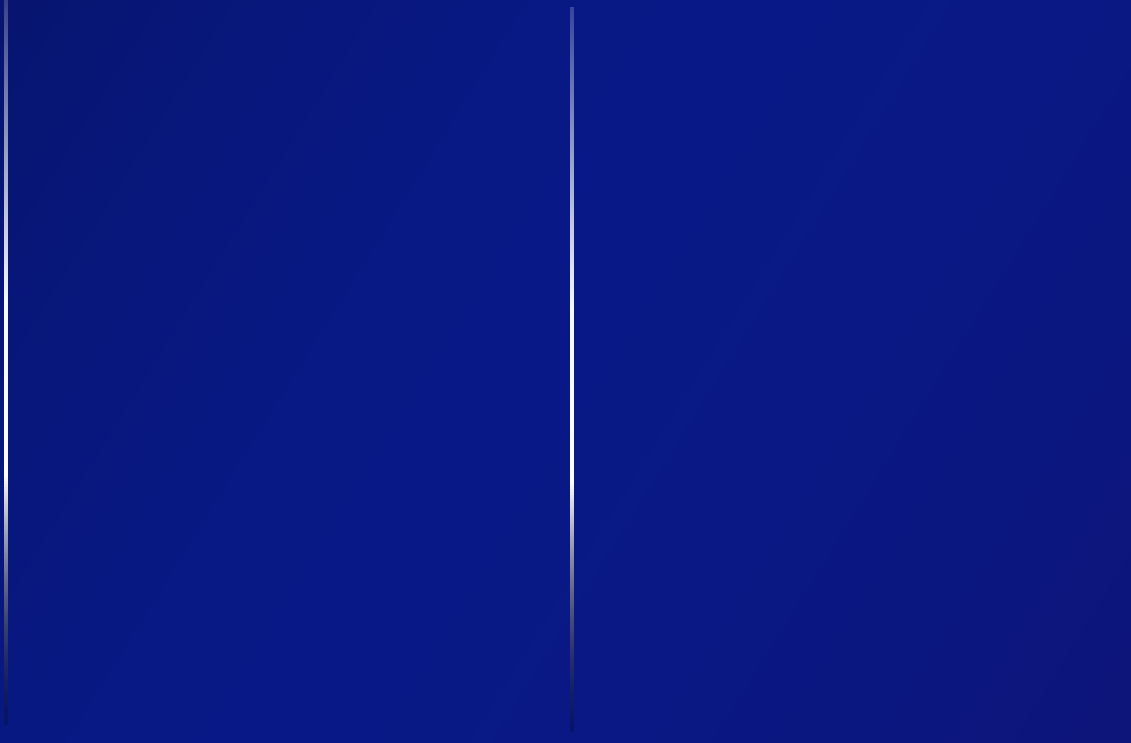
## Amazon DynamoDB

- Application architecture evolution with NoSQL
  - The key concepts
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## Koo's Use Case

- The challenges
- Thinking NoSQL!
- Re:Invent using Amazon DynamoDB
- The benefits

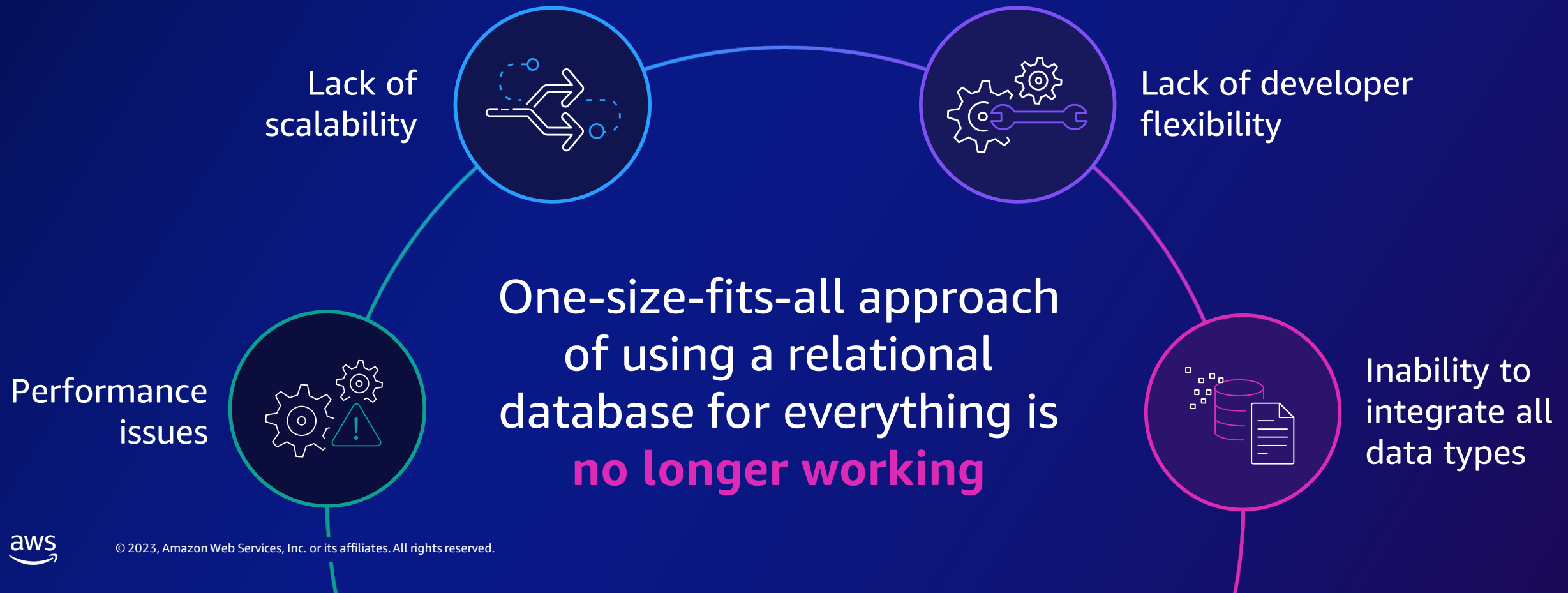
# Application architecture and patterns evolved



# One size fits nothing at all



# Developers want the right database to meet their application's unique requirements



Built to support data-driven, highly scalable, distributed applications

Offered by the most scalable, trusted, and secure cloud provider

Designed to save time and costs, improve performance at scale, and innovate faster

# AWS offers the **broadest and deepest portfolio** of purpose-built databases

Designed to meet the demands of modern globally distributed applications with microservices architectures

Built for every use case – relational, key-value, document, in-memory, wide-column, time-series, ledger, and graph



# What we learned from early builders

MICROSERVICES CHANGE HOW APPLICATIONS ARE BUILT IN THE CLOUD



E-commerce



Media  
streaming



Social  
Media



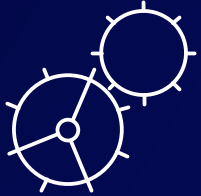
Online  
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# Amazon DynamoDB

FAST AND FLEXIBLE NOSQL DATABASE AT ANY SCALE



## Performance at scale

- Consistent, single-digit millisecond read and write performance
- Nearly unlimited throughput and storage



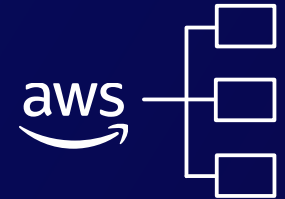
## Enterprise ready

- Data encryption at rest
- Global replication
- Up to 99.999% availability SLA



## No servers to manage

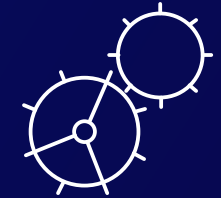
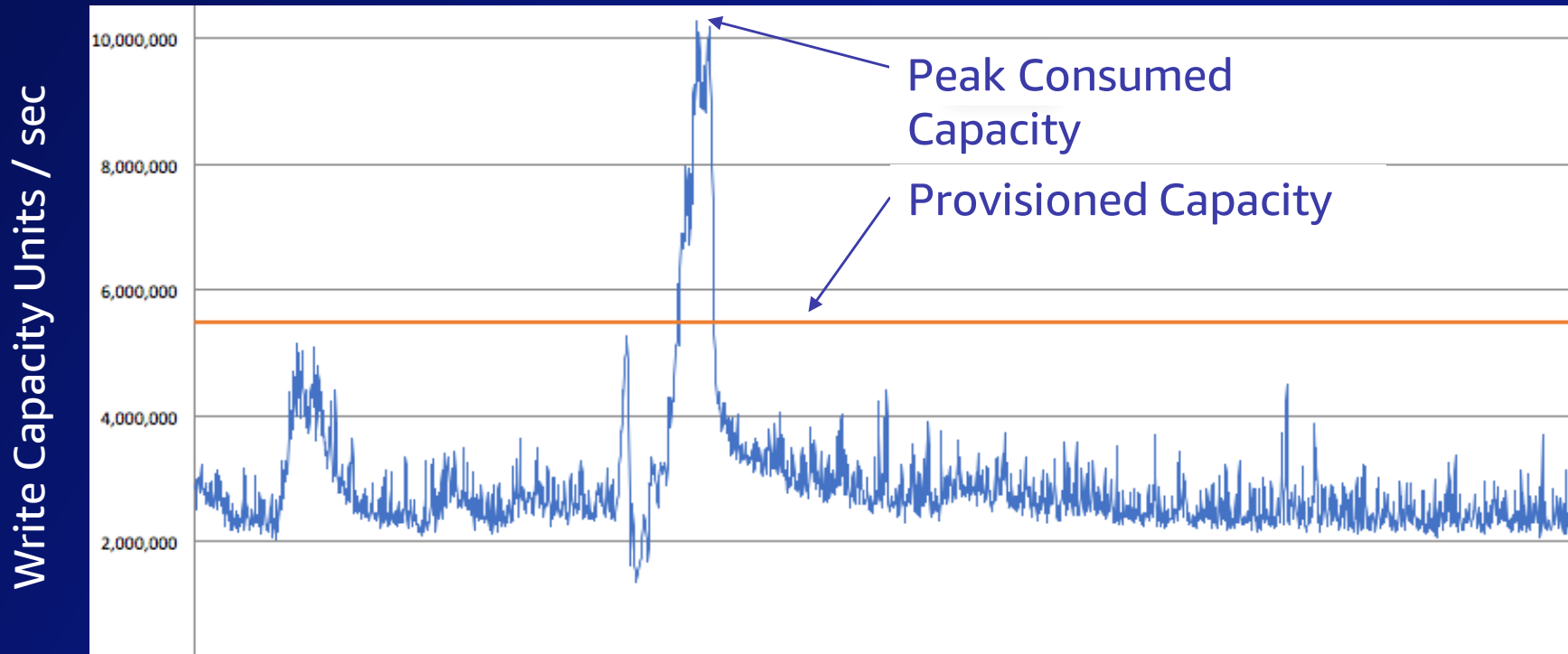
- Fully managed serverless database
- Massive scalability



## Built-in integration with other AWS services

- Logging, monitoring, and analytics
- Applications that span multiple AWS services

# Global-Scale Events: Elastic is the New Normal



## Performance at scale

- Millions of requests per second
- Trillions of items - Nearly unlimited throughput and storage
- Single-digit-millisecond read and write latencies

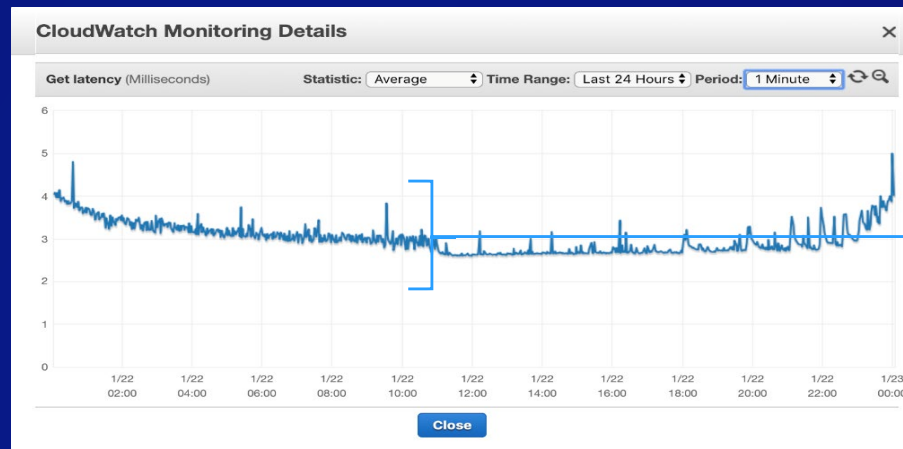
# Consistent low latency even during spiky traffic

High request volume

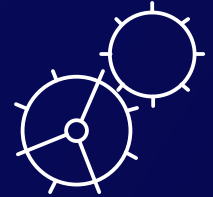


Many millions of requests per second

Consistently low latency



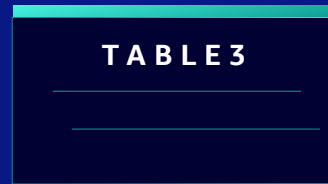
Only 1 millisecond variance



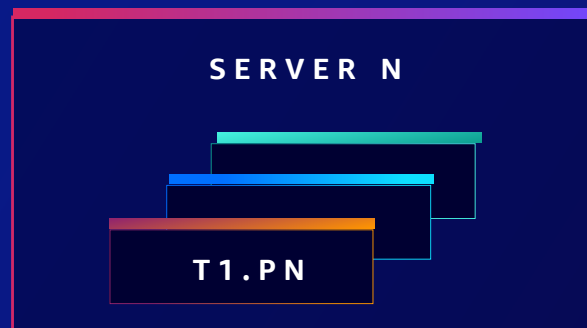
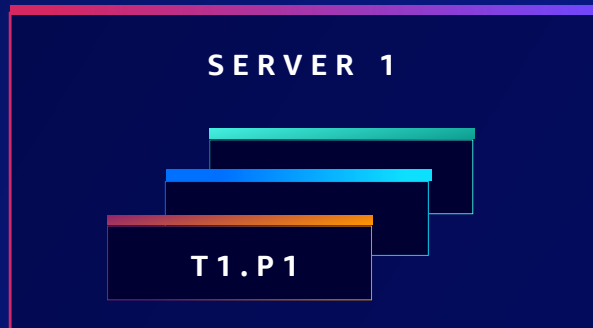
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# You work with tables, not servers



DynamoDB does the rest under the hood...

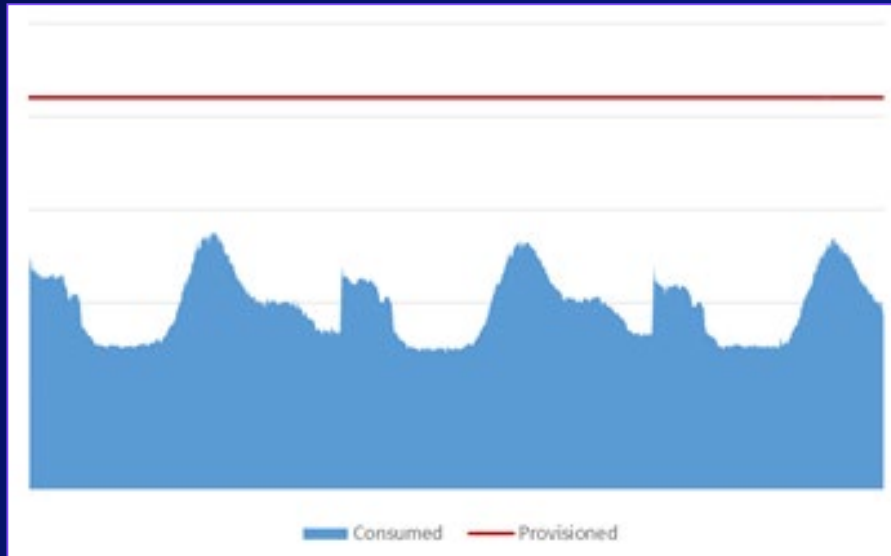


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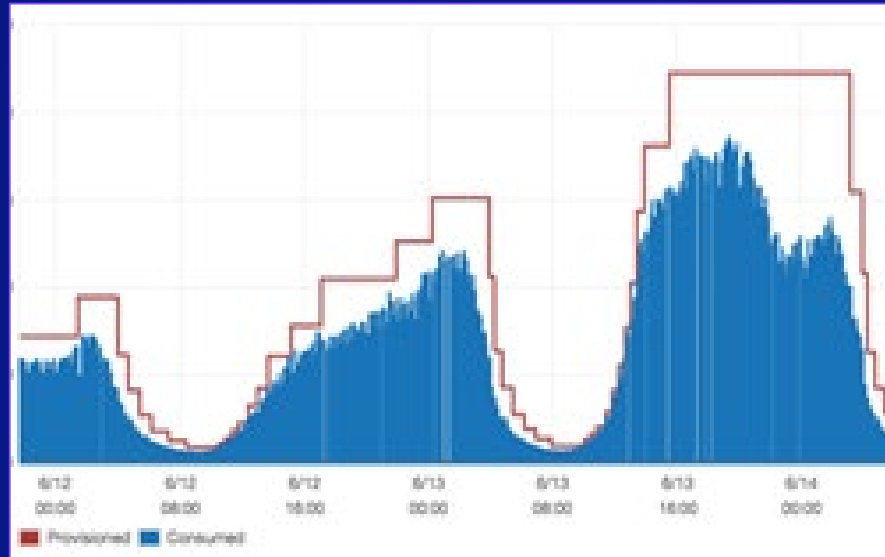
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# You work with tables, not servers

THROUGHPUT AUTOMATICALLY ADAPTS TO YOUR ACTUAL TRAFFIC



Without auto scaling



With auto scaling

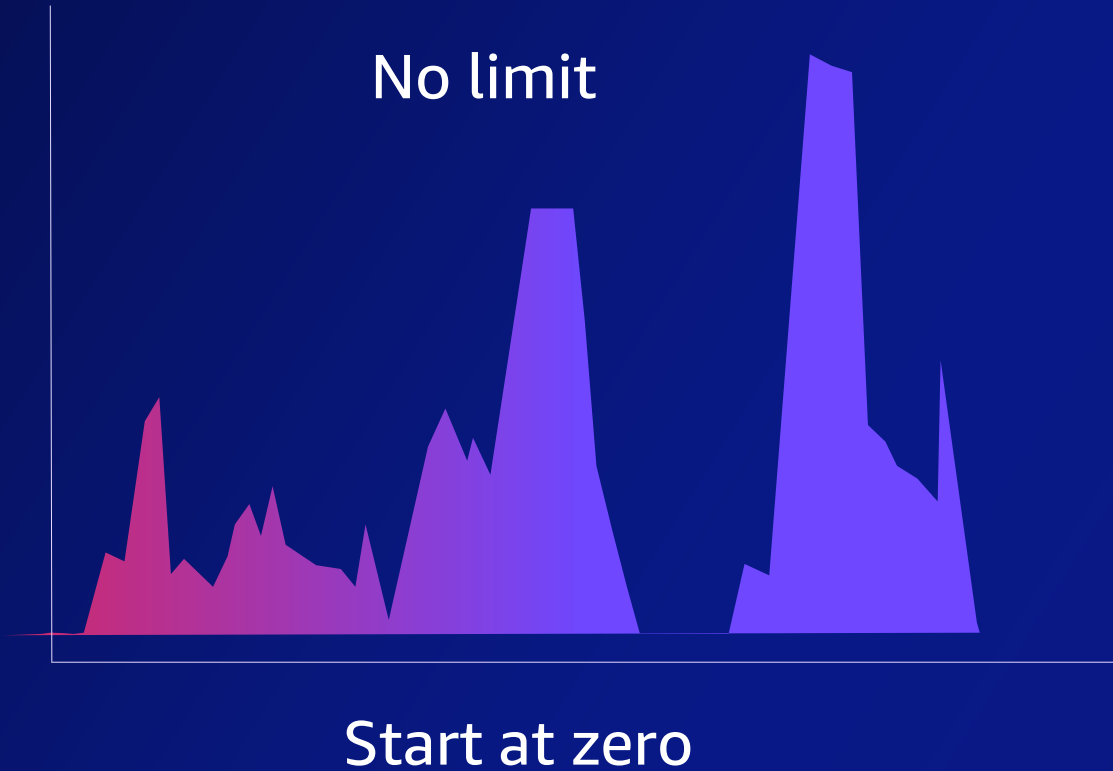


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ON-DEMAND CAPACITY MODE



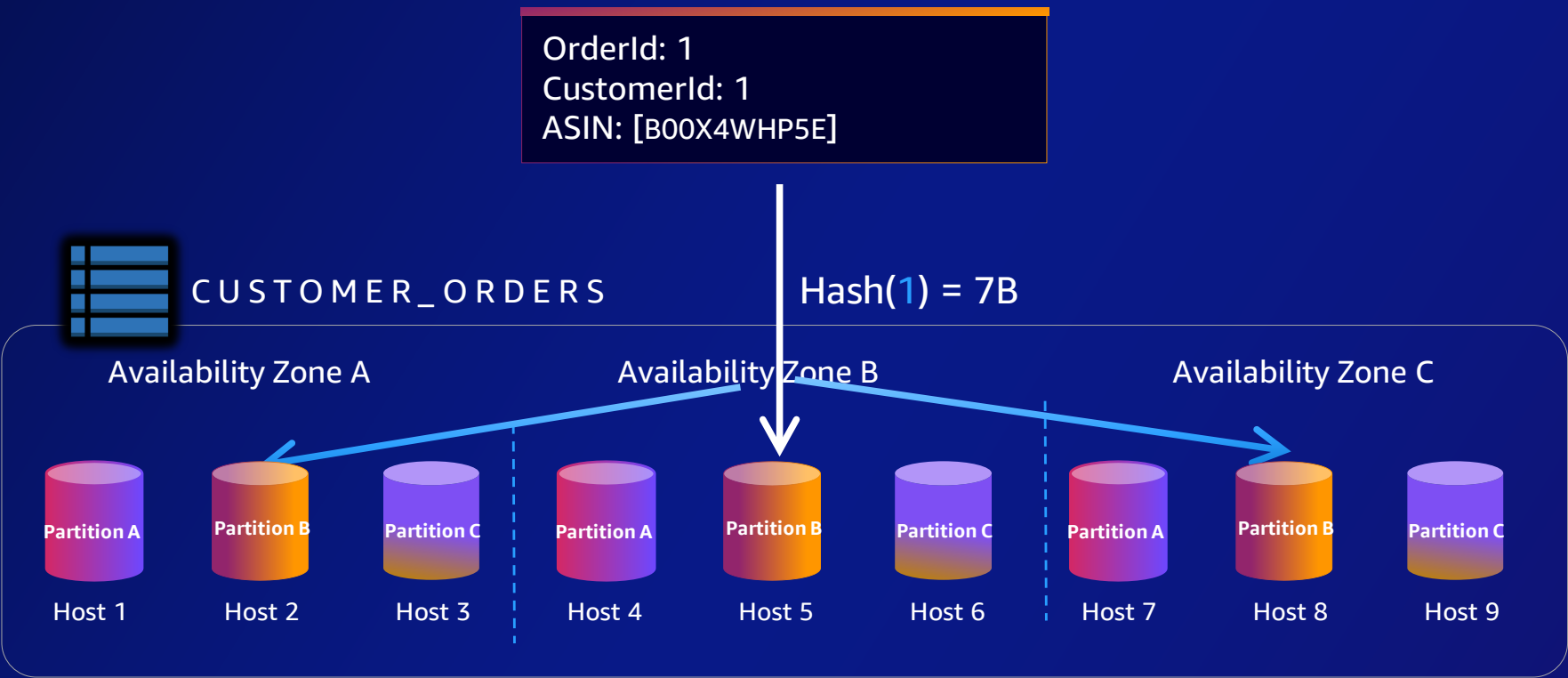
## Features

- No capacity planning, provisioning, or reservations – simply make API calls
- Pay only for the reads and writes you perform

## Key benefits

- Eliminates trade-offs of overprovisioning or underprovisioning
- Instantly accommodates your workload as traffic ramps up or down

# 99.99% availability within an AWS Region



**Enterprise ready**

**THREE-WAY REPLICATION**

- Data is always replicated to **three** Availability Zones
- 99.99% availability SLA for each AWS region



# Amazon DynamoDB global tables



Build high-performance, globally distributed applications

Low-latency reads and writes to locally available tables

Multi-Region redundancy and resiliency and 99.999% availability

Multi-active writes from any Region

Easy to set up and no application rewrites required

# Amazon DynamoDB key features and capabilities



99.999%  
SLA



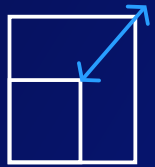
DynamoDB  
Accelerator  
(DAX)



Global  
tables



Encryption  
at rest



Auto  
scaling



Adaptive  
capacity



Time To  
Live (TTL)



NoSQL  
Workbench



Transactions



Export to  
Amazon  
S3



Point-in-time  
recovery  
(PITR)



On-demand  
backup and  
restore



Amazon DynamoDB  
Streams and Kinesis  
Data Streams support



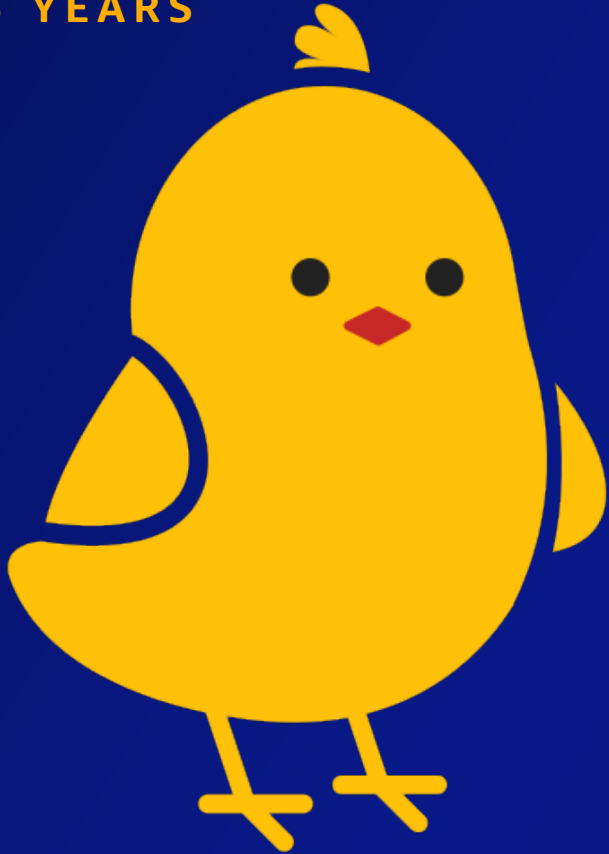
Amazon CloudWatch  
Contributor Insights  
for DynamoDB



AWS CloudTrail logging  
of DynamoDB  
data-plane operations

# Koo

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IN JUST 2.5 YEARS



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# Koo's business vision

Userbase expansion

20M to 60M by 2023  
and further more

Global Expansion

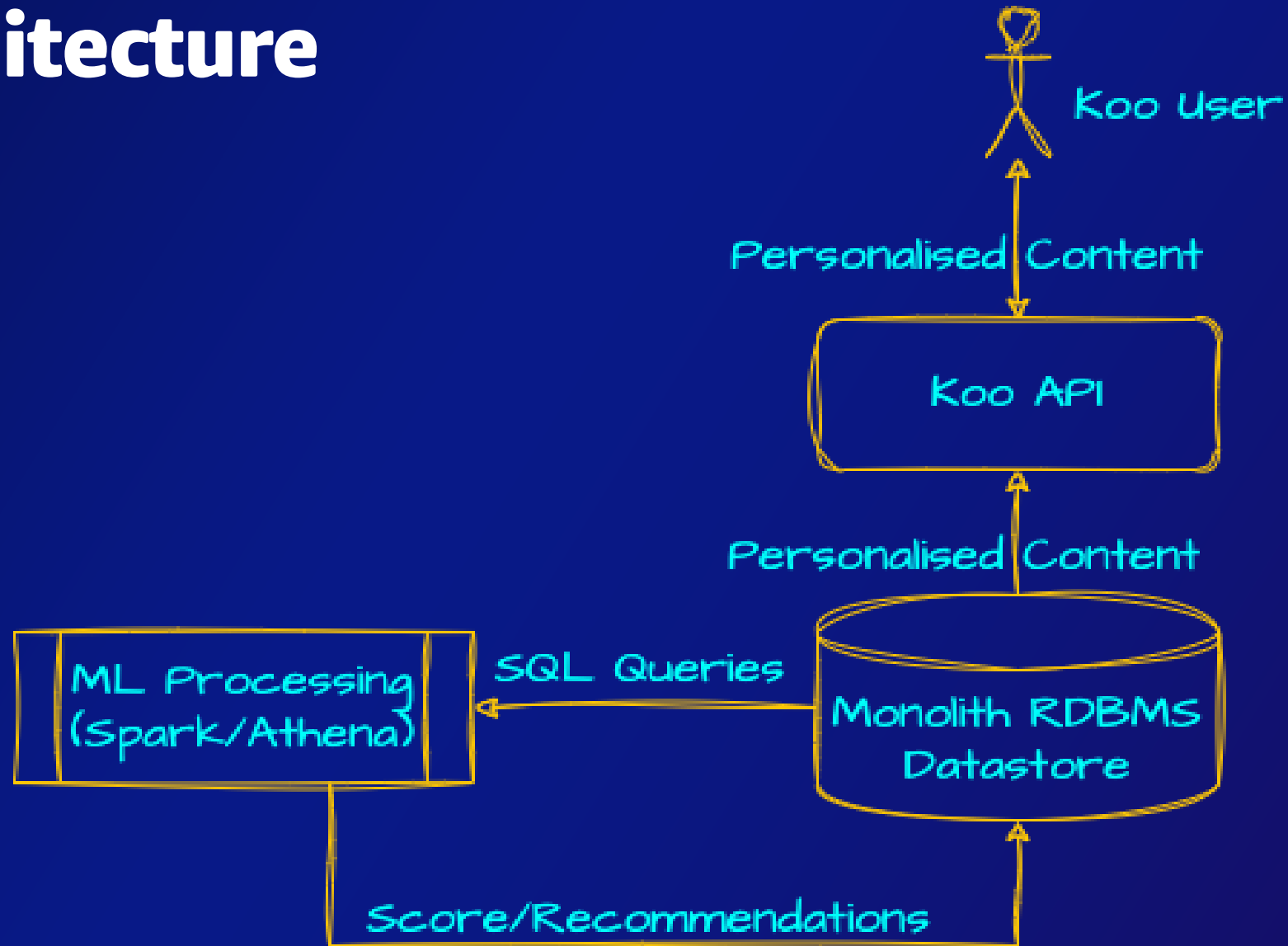
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Monetization

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Be ready for 20X Scale

# Initial architecture





# The challenges with RDBMS database



Scalability



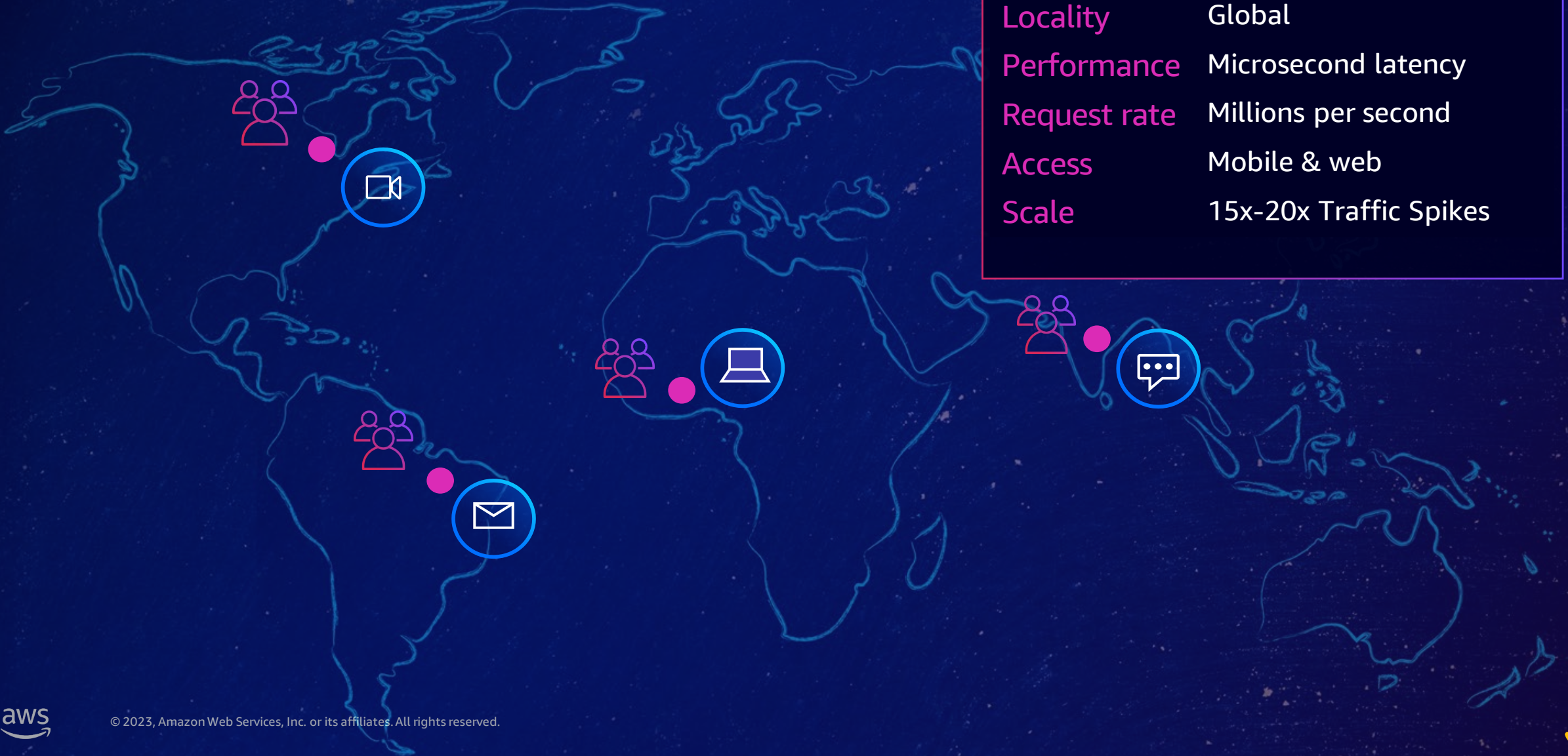
Performance



Operational Issues

# Koo' app requirements

Users	Millions
Data volume	TBs
Locality	Global
Performance	Microsecond latency
Request rate	Millions per second
Access	Mobile & web
Scale	15x-20x Traffic Spikes





# Re:Think Koo's data persistence

## Think NoSQL!!

- Identify critical paths in user journey
- Datasets: Different performance, scaling needs

## Benchmark for extreme scale

## Focus on operational ease

“ No silver bullet



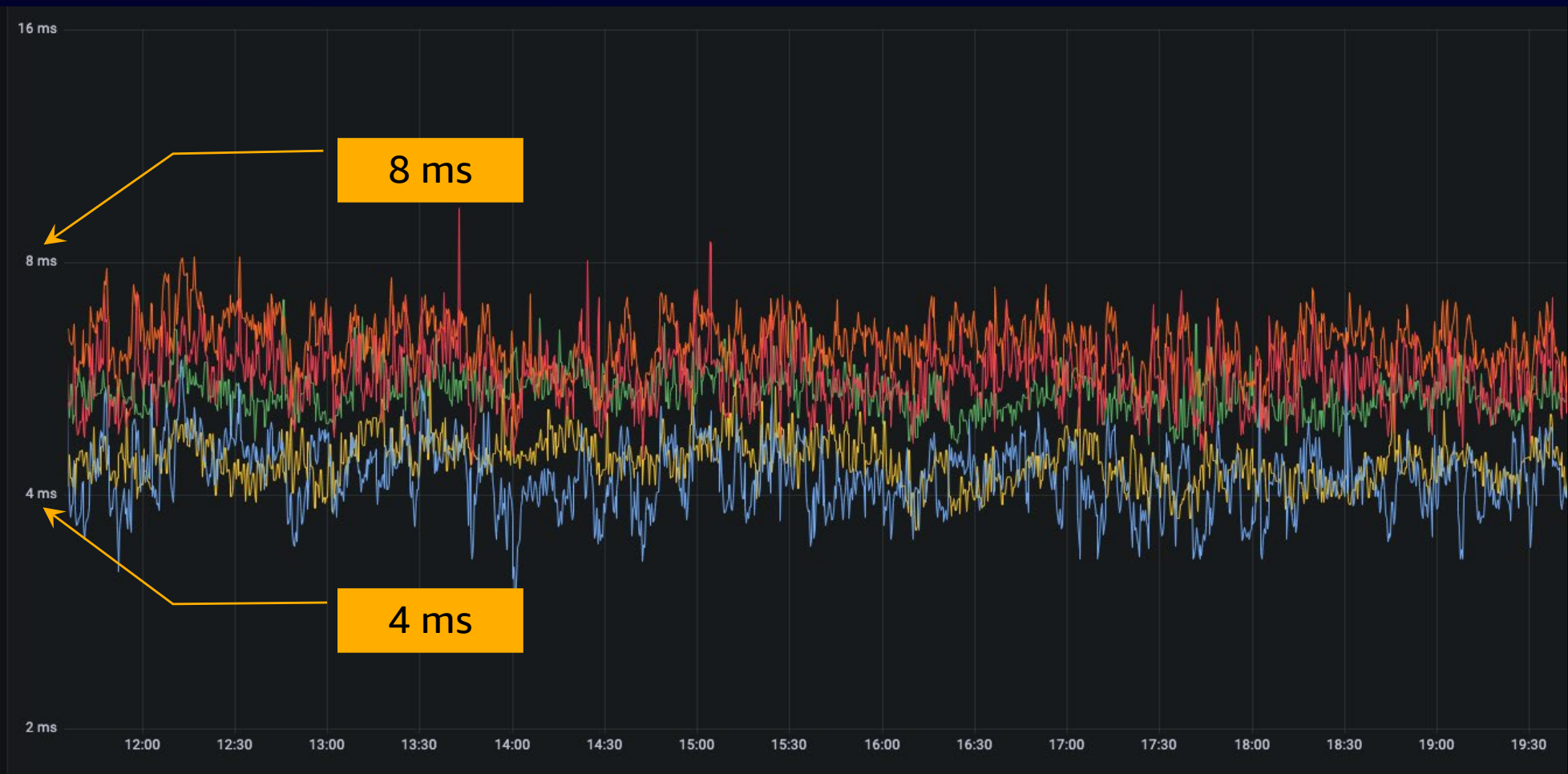
# Thinking NoSQL!

## CRITICAL PATHS IN USER JOURNEY VS NEEDS

	Partition Based Lookups	Sorting	High Reads	High Writes	Secondary Index
Koos	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Reactions	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Signups	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Feed	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗
Social Graph	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓
Recommendations	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗

# Benchmarking with DynamoDB

CONSISTENTLY LOW LATENCY AT SCALE

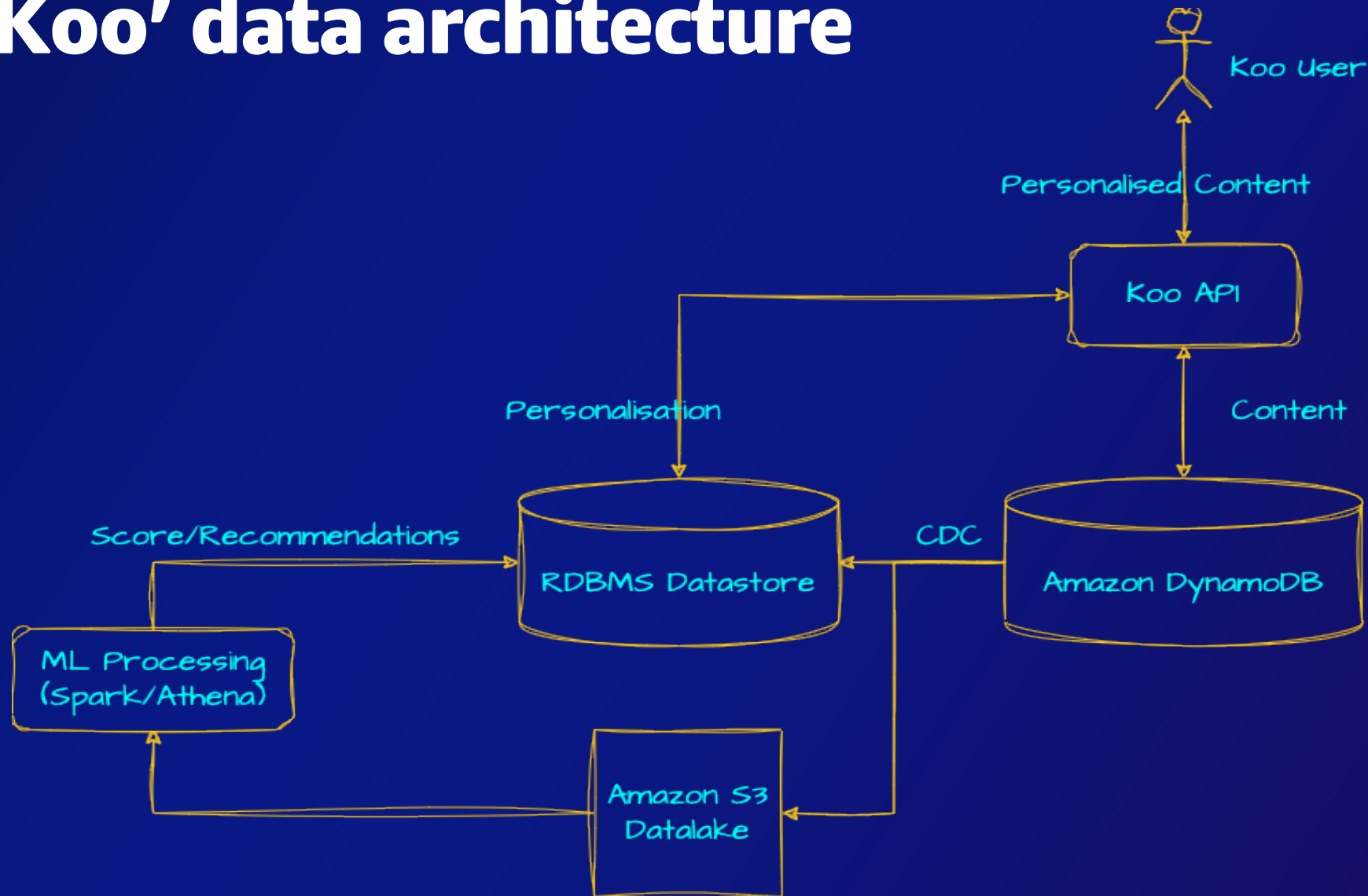


Concurrency	10X
Latency	< 10 ms

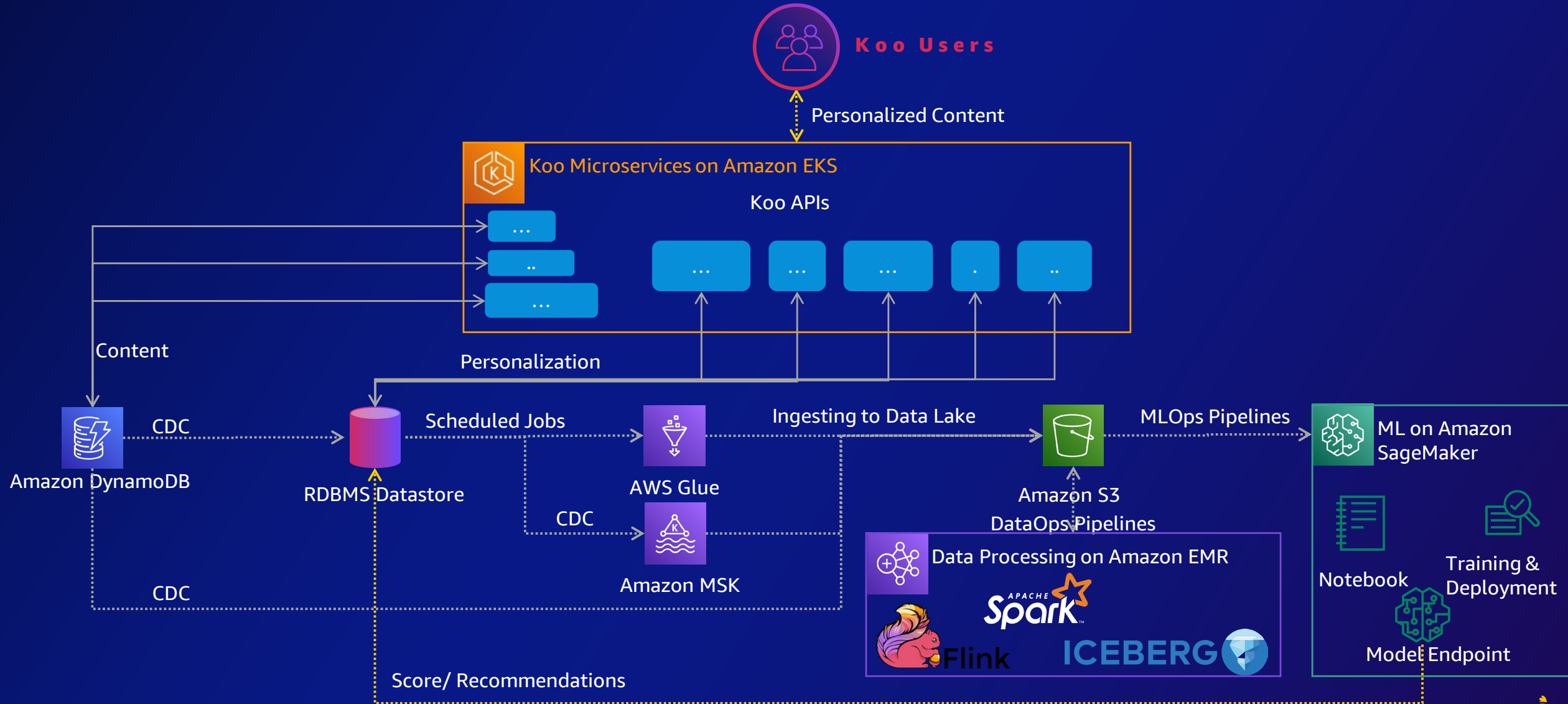
	Operation	Latency
●	Reaction Get	4.42 ms
●	Reaction Write	5.42 ms
●	Content Get	4.26 ms
●	Content Creator Get	6.24 ms
●	Content Write	5.71 ms



# Re:Invent Koo' data architecture



# Re:Invent Koo's data architecture



# The benefits of new architecture

USING AMAZON DYNAMODB



## Battle tested @ Brazil Launch

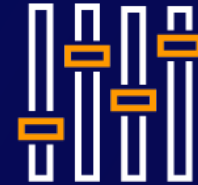
Low Latency even for peak traffic

- Registrations surged to **20X**
- Feeds surged to **8X**



## Global Expansion and Data Privacy

User Profiles are stored in respective regions to comply with **data privacy and local laws**



## Operational Ease

- No servers to manage
- Devops culture, frequent releases & faster innovation

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