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# Serverless Data Processing with Dataflow

# Agenda

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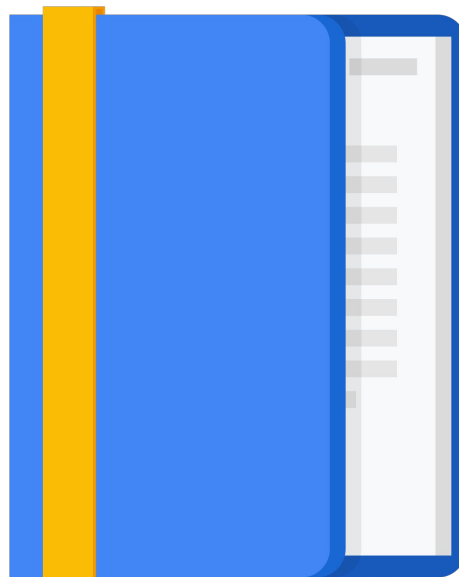
## Cloud Dataflow

Why customers value Dataflow

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# Google Cloud processing options (1)



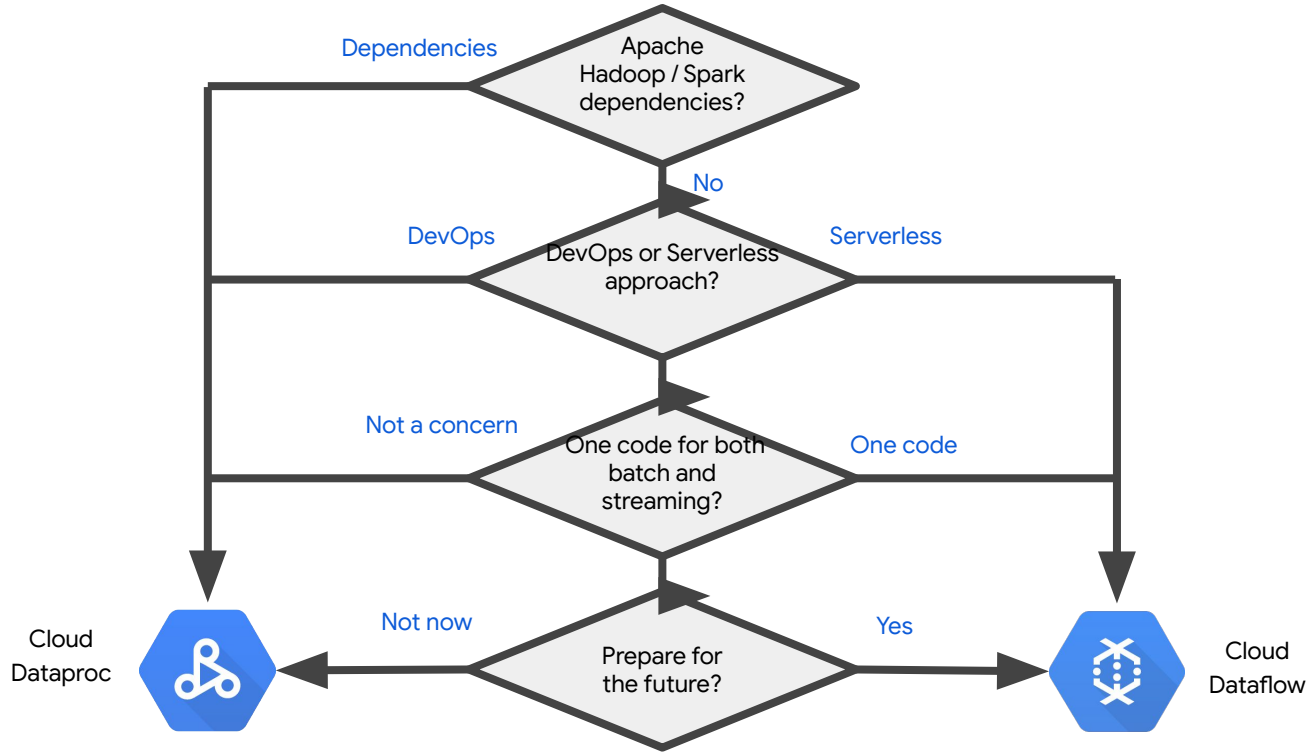
Cloud Dataflow



Cloud Dataproc

Recommended for:	New data processing pipelines, unified batch and streaming	Existing Hadoop/Spark applications, machine learning/data science ecosystem, large-batch jobs, preemptible VMs
Fully-managed:	Yes	No
Auto-scaling:	Yes, transform-by-transform (adaptive)	Yes, based on cluster utilization (reactive)
Expertise:	Apache Beam	Hadoop, Hive, Pig, Apache Big Data ecosystem, Spark, Flink, Presto, Druid

# Choosing between Cloud Dataflow and Cloud Dataproc



# Cloud Dataflow

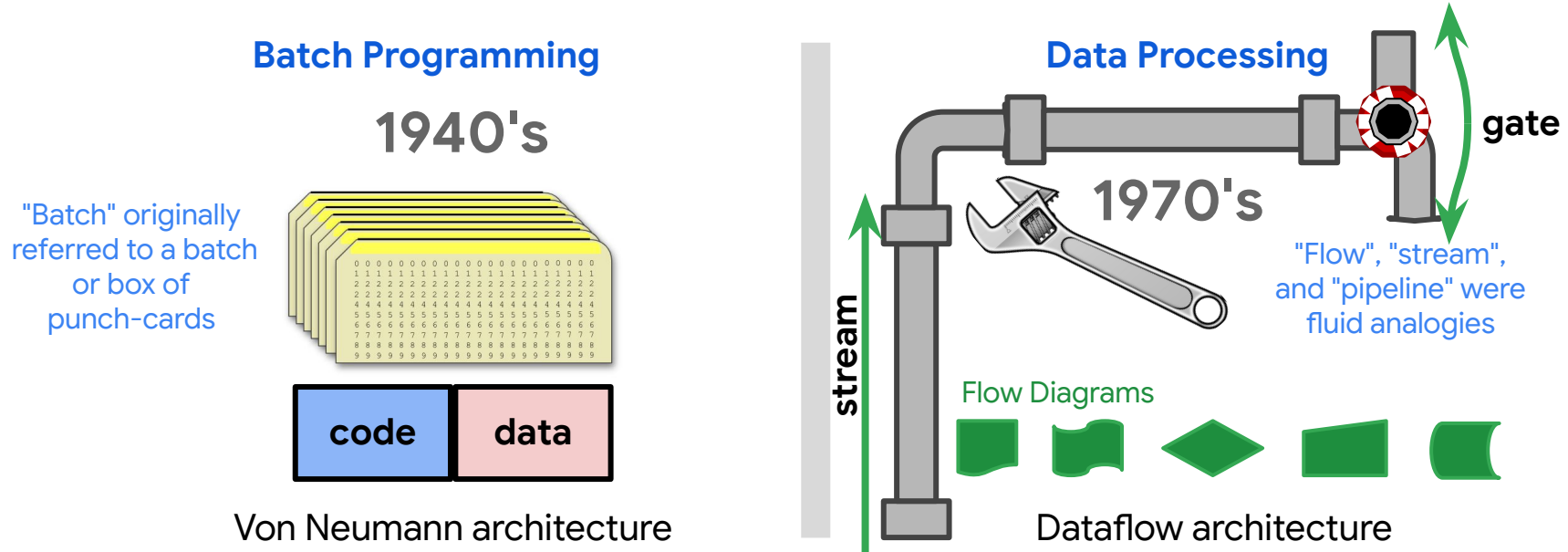


Cloud  
Dataflow

Qualities that Cloud Dataflow  
contributes to Data Engineering  
solutions:

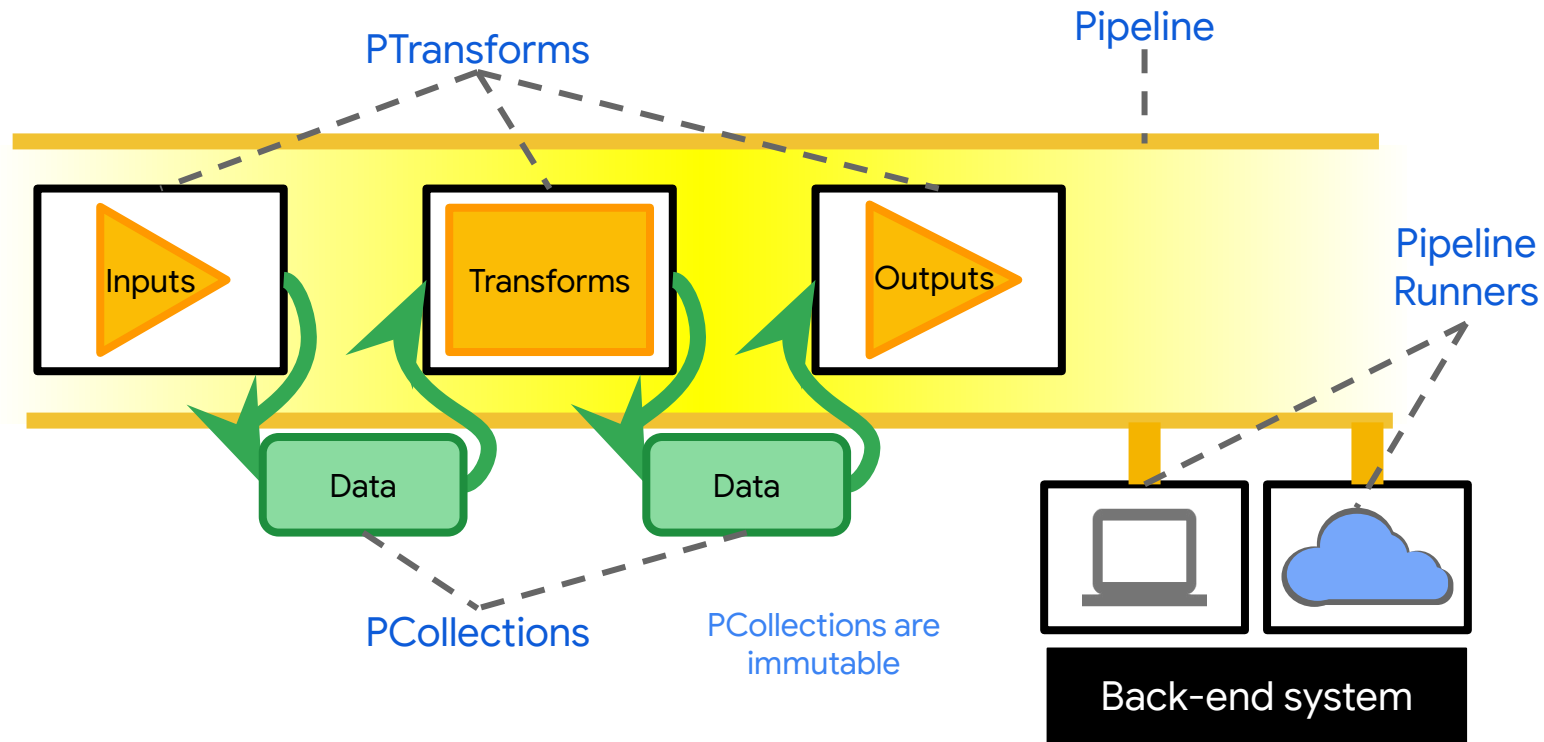
Scalability  
Low latency

# Batch programming and data processing used to be two very separate and different things

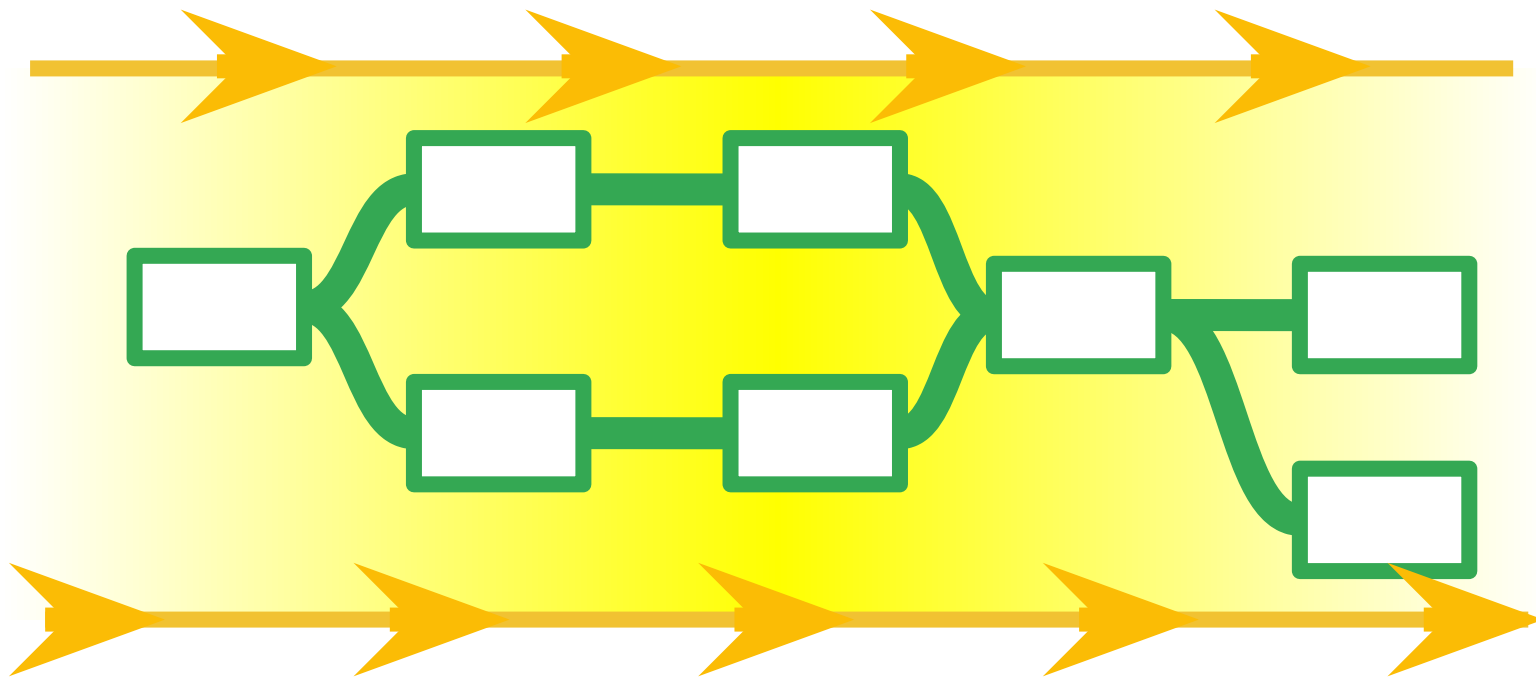


*Different tools, different platforms, different concepts, different methods.*

# Apache BEAM = Batch + strEAM

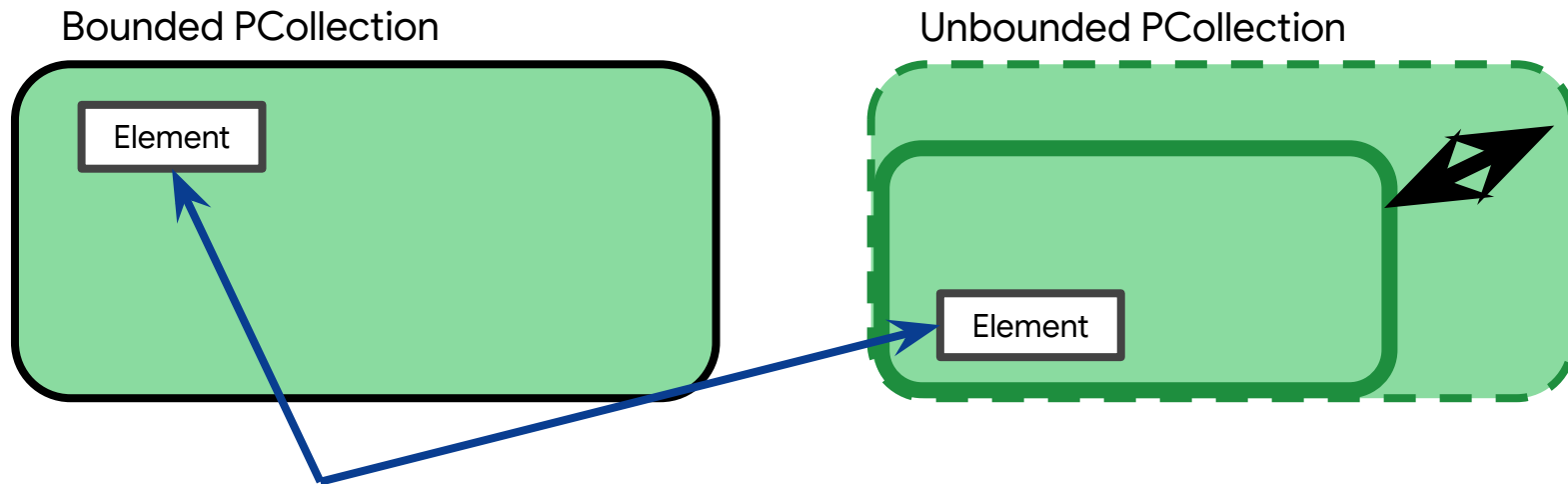


A Cloud Dataflow pipeline is a directed graph of steps





# A PCollection represents batch or stream data



All data types are stored  
as serialized byte strings

Note: Bounded means the data has a fixed size not that the PCollection size is limited. A PCollection can be any size and be distributed across many workers.

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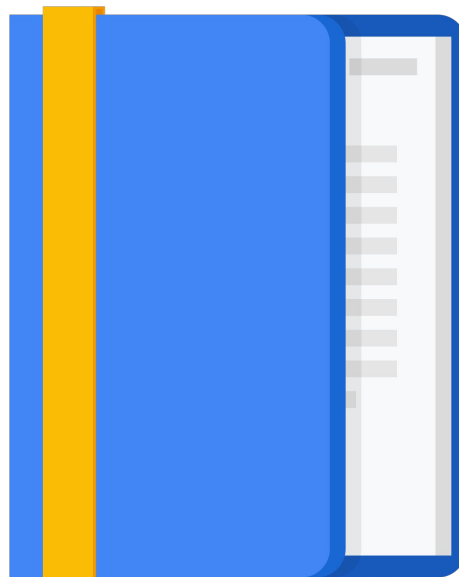
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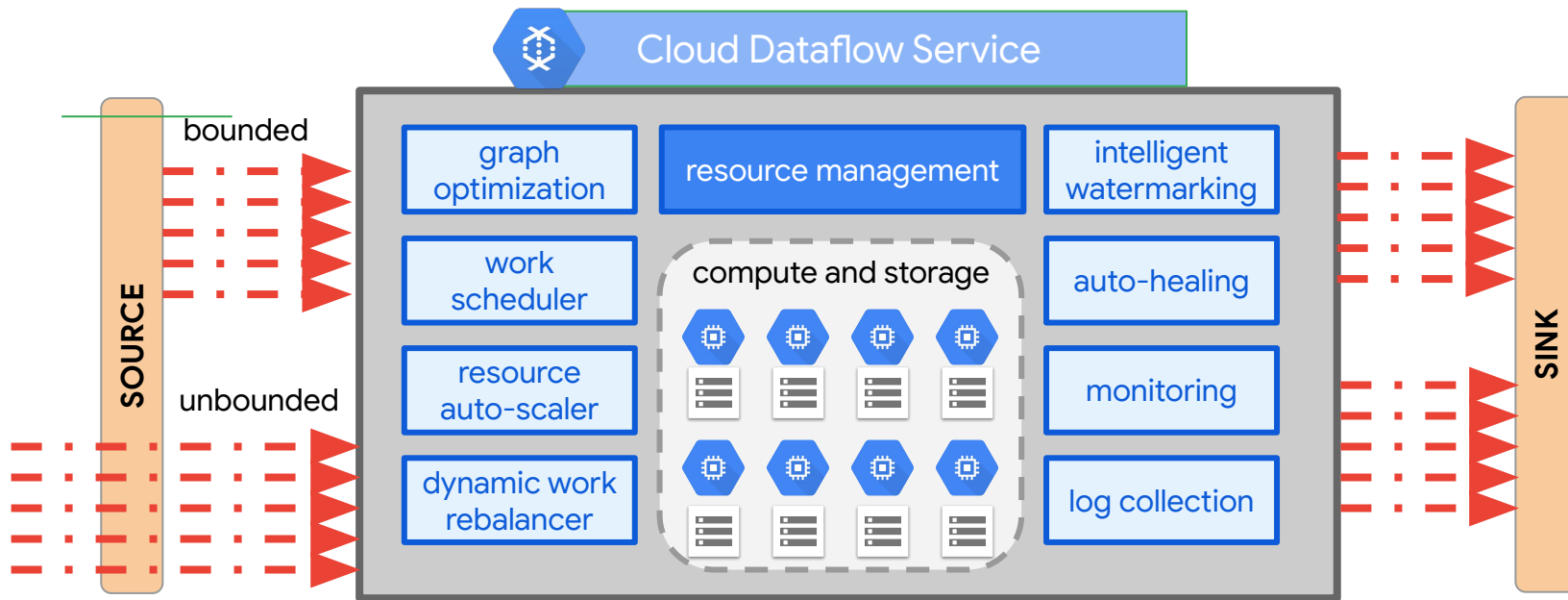
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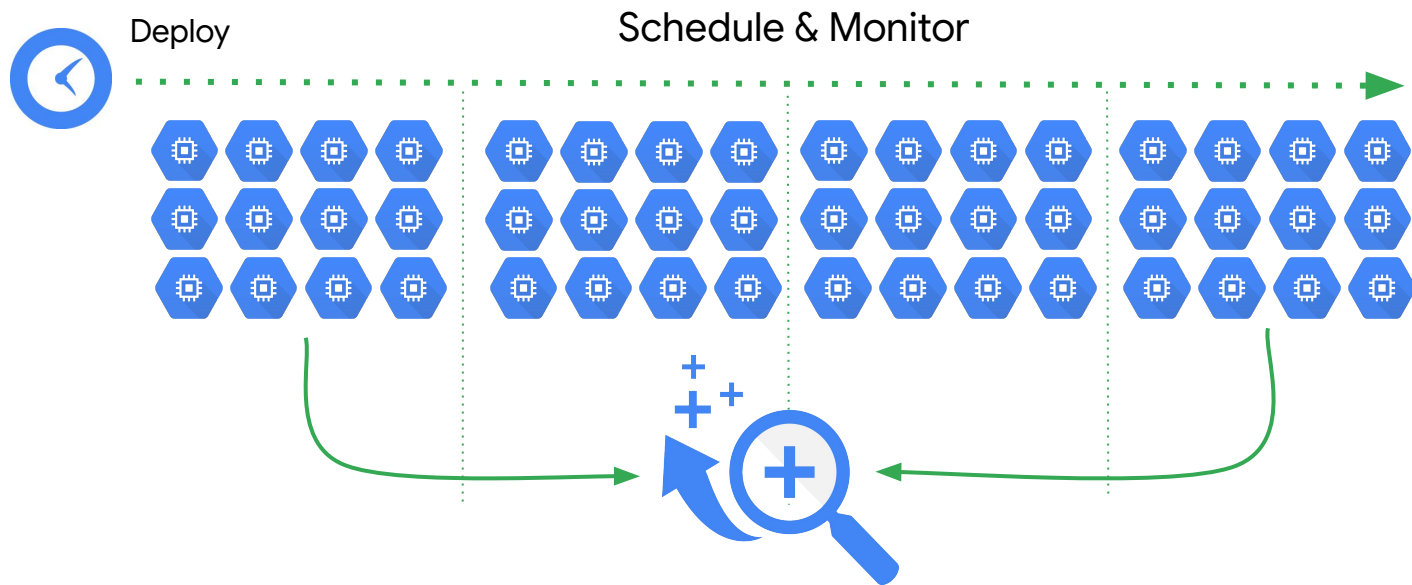


# How does Cloud Dataflow work?

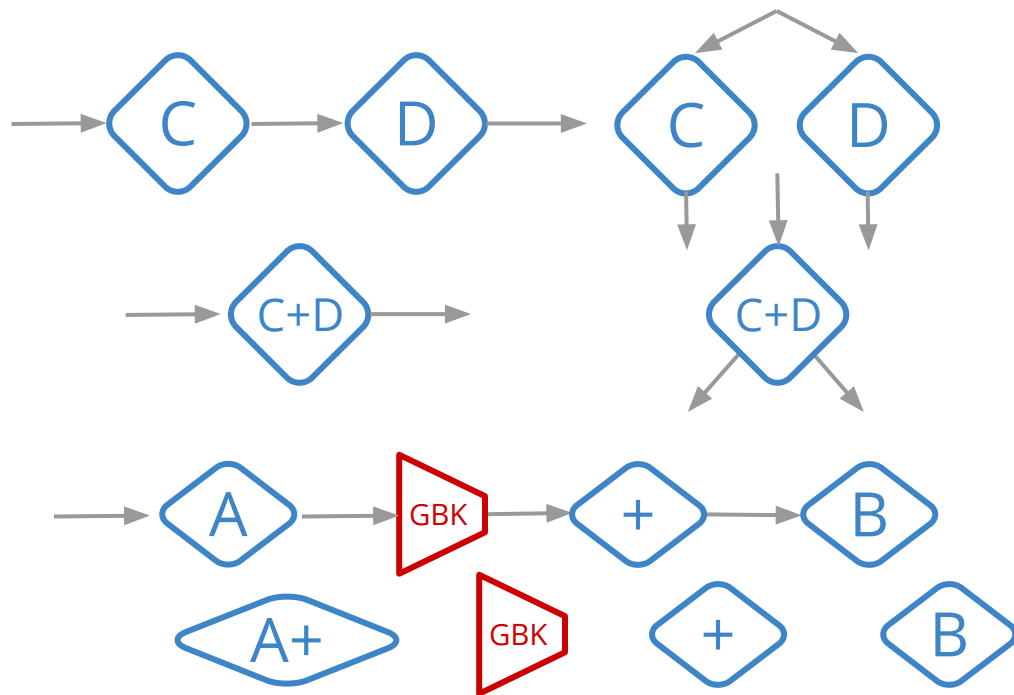


Cloud Dataflow constantly rebalances the work.

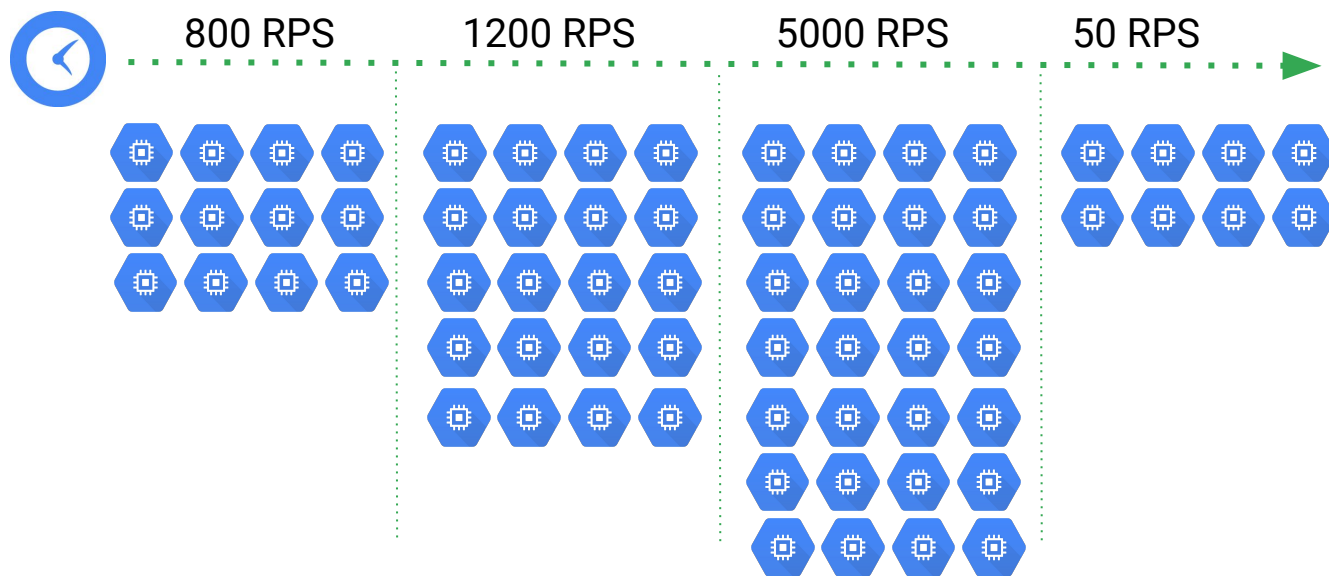
# Why customers value Cloud Dataflow: Fully-managed and auto-configured



# Why customers value Cloud Dataflow: Graph is optimized for best execution path



# Why customers value Cloud Dataflow: Autoscaling mid-job



# Why customers value Cloud Dataflow: Dynamic work rebalancing mid-job



# Why customers value Cloud Dataflow: Strong streaming semantics



Exactly once aggregations



Rich time tracking



Good integration with other GCP services



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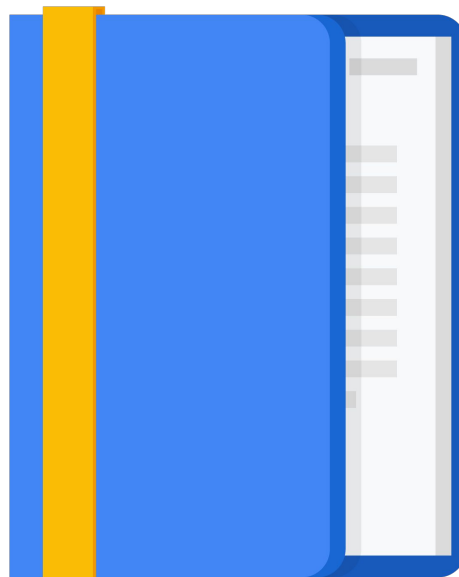
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# How to construct a simple pipeline



```
PCollection_out = (PCollection_in | PTransform_1  
                  | PTransform_2  
                  | PTransform_3 )
```

Python

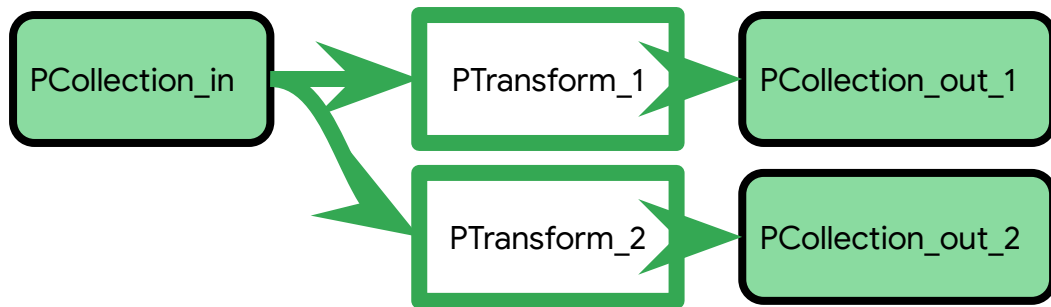
Python overloads  
the pipe operator

Java

Java uses the  
.apply method

```
PCollection_out = PCollection_in.apply(PTransform_1)  
                        .apply(PTransform_2)  
                        .apply(PTransform_3)
```

# How to construct a branching pipeline



```
PCollection_out_1 = PCollection_in | PTTransform_1  
PCollection_out_2 = PCollection_in | PTTransform_2
```

Python

Java

```
PCollection_out_1 = PCollection_in.apply(PTTransform_1)  
PCollection_out_2 = PCollection_in.apply(PTTransform_2)
```

# A Pipeline is a directed graph of steps

```
import apache_beam as beam

if __name__ == '__main__':
    with beam.Pipeline(argv=sys.argv) as p:

        (p
         | beam.io.ReadFromText('gs://...')
         | beam.FlatMap(lambda line:
count_words(line))
         | beam.io.WriteToText('gs://...')
        )

# end of with-clause: runs, stops the pipeline
```

Python

Create a pipeline  
parameterized by  
command line flags

Read input

Apply transform

Write output

# Run a pipeline on Cloud Dataflow

```
import apache_beam as beam
```

Python

```
options = {'project': <project>,  
          'runner': 'DataflowRunner',  
          'region': <region>,  
          'setup_file': <setup.py file>}  
pipeline_options =  
beam.pipeline.PipelineOptions(flags=[], **options)  
pipeline = beam.Pipeline(options = pipeline_options)
```

← — — — — — Where to run

← — — — — — This creates the pipeline

# Pipeline Execution using DataflowRunner

## Run local

```
python ./grep.py
```

## Run on cloud

```
python ./grep.py \  
  --project=$PROJECT \  
  --job_name=myjob \  
  --staging_location=gs://$BUCKET/staging/ \  
  --temp_location=gs://$BUCKET/tmp/ \  
  --runner=DataflowRunner
```

## Designing Pipelines

- **Input and Output**
- PTransforms

# Read data from local file system, Cloud Storage, Cloud Pub/Sub, BigQuery, ...

```
with beam.Pipeline(options=pipeline_options) as p:
```

## Read from Cloud Storage (returns a string)


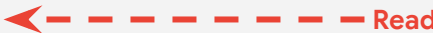
```
lines = p | beam.io.ReadFromText("gs://.../input-*.csv.gz")
```

## Read from Cloud Pub/Sub (returns a string)

```
lines = p | beam.io.ReadStringsFromPubSub(topic=known_args.input_topic)
```

## Read from BigQuery (returns rows)

```
query = "SELECT x, y, z FROM `project.dataset.tablename`"  
BQ_source = beam.io.BigQuerySource(query = <query>, use_standard_sql=True)  
BQ_data = pipeline | beam.io.Read(BQ_source)
```

 Setup  
 Read



# Write to a BigQuery table

## Establish reference to BigQuery table

```
from apache_beam.io.gcp.internal.clients import bigquery

table_spec = bigquery.TableReference(
    projectId='clouddataflow-readonly',
    datasetId='samples',
    tableId='weather_stations')
```

## Write to BigQuery table


```
p | beam.io.WriteToBigQuery(
    table_spec,
    schema=table_schema,
    write_disposition=beam.io.BigQueryDisposition.WRITE_TRUNCATE,
    create_disposition=beam.io.BigQueryDisposition.CREATE_IF_NEEDED)
```

# Create a PCollection from in-memory data

```
city_zip_list = [  
    ('Lexington', '40513'),  
    ('Nashville', '37027'),  
    ('Lexington', '40502'),  
    ('Seattle', '98125'),  
    ('Mountain View', '94041'),  
    ('Seattle', '98133'),  
    ('Lexington', '40591'),  
    ('Mountain View', '94085'),  
]  
citycodes = p | 'CreateCityCodes' >> beam.Create(city_zip_list)
```

Python

This is the display name  
of the pipeline step



PCollection

## Designing Pipelines

- Input and Output
- **PTransforms**

# Map and FlatMap


Use Map for 1:1 relationship between input and output

```
'WordLengths' >> beam.Map( lambda word: (word, len(word)) )
```

Map (fn) uses a callable fn to do a one-to-one transformation.

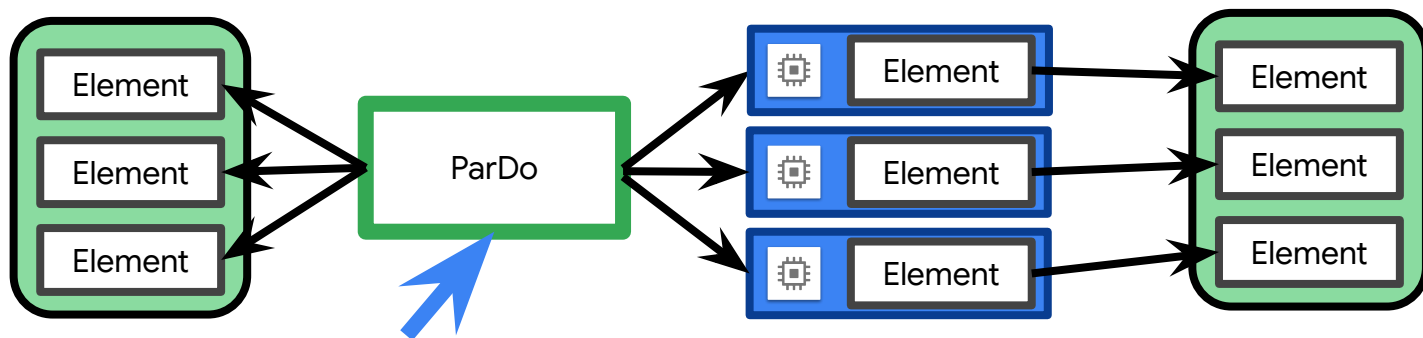
Use FlatMap for non 1:1 relationships, usually with a generator

```
def my_grep(line, term):  
    if term in line:  
        yield line  
  
'Grep' >> beam.FlatMap( lambda line: my_grep(line, searchTerm) )
```



FlatMap is similar to Map, but fn returns an iterable of zero or more elements.  
The iterables are flattened into one PCollection.

# ParDo implements parallel processing



ParDo acts on one item at a time in the PCollection  
Multiple instances of class on many machines  
Should not contain any state

## Uses:

- Filtering a data set, choosing which elements to output.
- Formatting or type-converting each element in a data set.
- Extracting parts of each element in a data set.
- Performing computations on each element in a data set.

# ParDo requires code passed as a DoFn object

```
words = ...
```

```
class ComputeWordLengthFn(beam.DoFn):  
    def process(self, element):  
        return [len(element)]
```

```
word_lengths = words | beam.ParDo(ComputeWordLengthFn())
```

Python

The input is a PCollection of strings.

The DoFn to perform on each element in the input PCollection.

The output is a PCollection of integers.

Apply a ParDo to the PCollection "words" to compute lengths for each word.

## ParDo method can emit multiple variables

```
results = (words | beam.ParDo(ProcessWords(), cutoff_length=2, marker='x')
    .with_outputs('above_cutoff_lengths', 'marked strings',
main='below_cutoff_strings'))

below  = results.below_cutoff_strings
above  = results.above_cutoff_lengths
marked = results['marked strings']
```



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## A Simple Dataflow Pipeline (Python/Java)

### Objectives

- Open Dataflow project
- Pipeline filtering
- Execute the pipeline locally and on the cloud



# GroupByKey explicitly shuffles key-values pairs

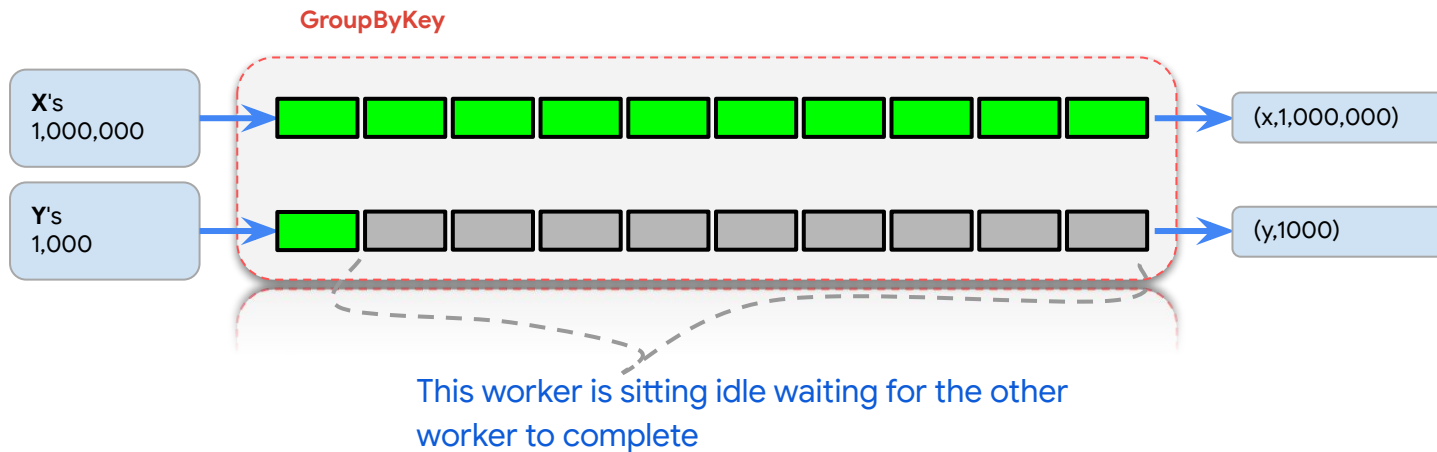
```
cityAndZipcodes = p | beam.Map(lambda fields : (fields[0], fields[1]))  
grouped = cityAndZipCodes | beam.GroupByKey()
```

Lexington, 40513  
Nashville, 37027  
Lexington, 40502  
Seattle, 98125  
Mountain View, 94041  
Seattle, 98133  
Lexington, 40591  
Mountain View, 94085

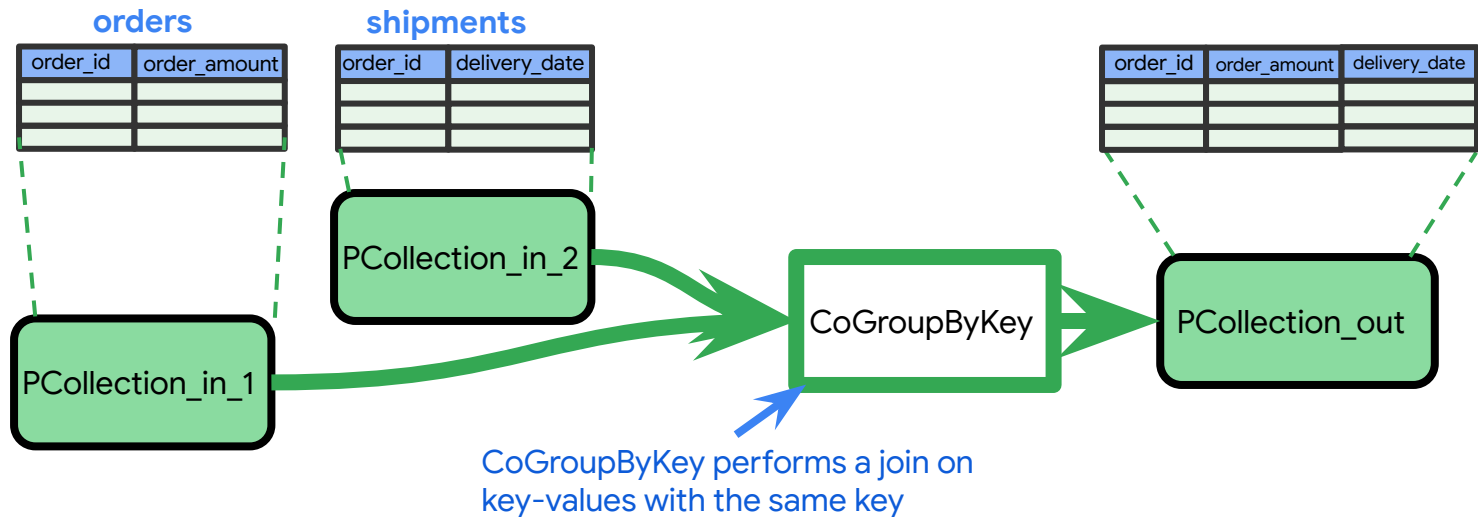


Lexington, [40513, 40502, 40592]  
Nashville, [37027]  
Seattle, [98125, 98133]  
Mountain View, [94041, 94085]

# Data skew makes grouping less efficient at scale



# CoGroupByKey joins two or more key-value pairs



```
results = ({'orders': orders, 'shipments': shipments}
           | beam.CoGroupByKey())
```


# Combine (reduce) a PCollection

## Applied to a PCollection of values


```
totalAmount = salesAmounts | CombineGlobally(sum)
```

## Applied to a grouped Key-Value pair

```
totalSalesPerPerson = salesRecords | CombinePerKey(sum)
```



Each element of salesRecords  
is a tuple:  
(salesPerson, salesAmount)



Pre-built combine functions  
for many common numeric  
combination operations such  
as sum, mean, min, and max

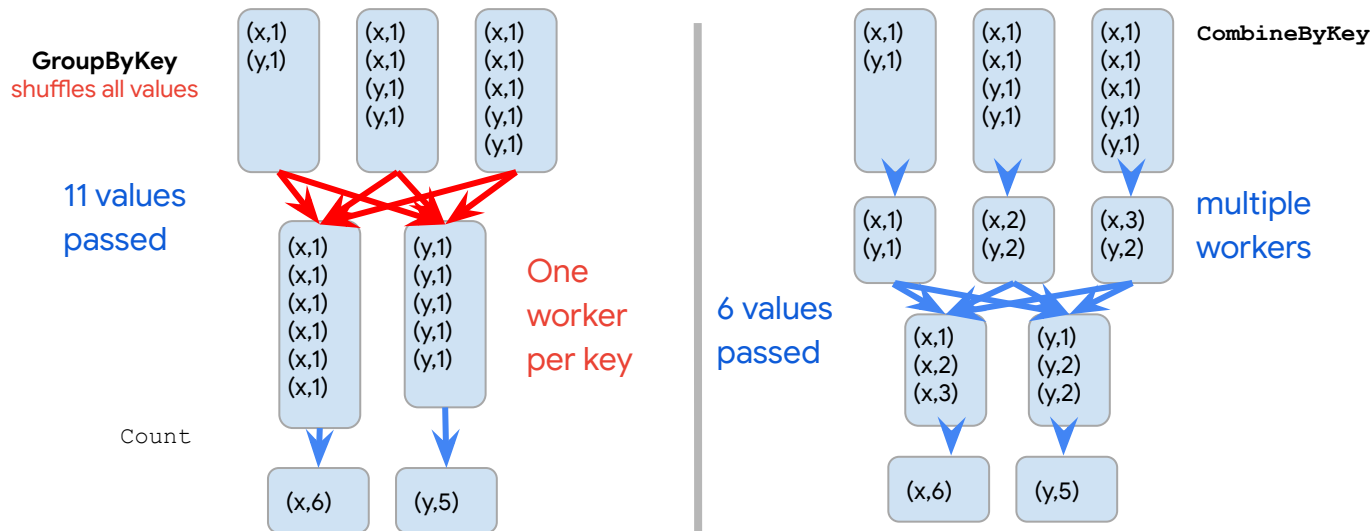
# CombineFn works by overriding existing operations

You must provide four operations by overriding the corresponding methods

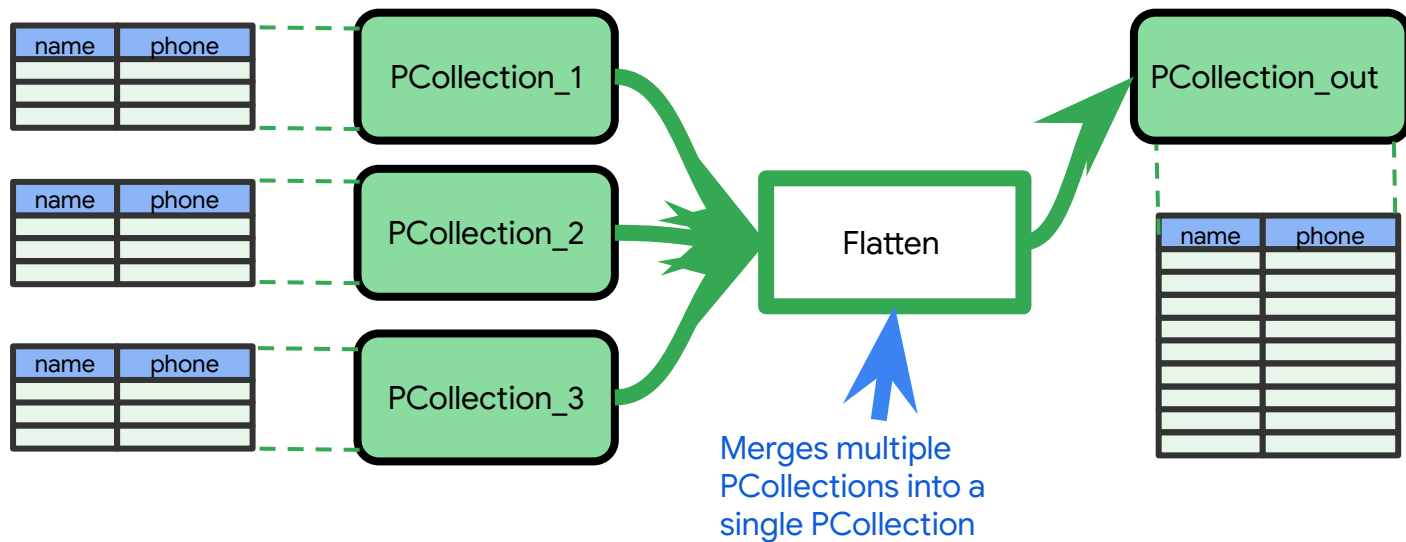
```
class AverageFn(beam.CombineFn):  
  
    def create_accumulator(self):  
        return (0.0, 0)  
  
    def add_input(self, sum_count, input):  
        (sum, count) = sum_count  
        return sum + input, count + 1  
  
    def merge_accumulators(self, accumulators):  
        sums, counts = zip(*accumulators)  
        return sum(sums), sum(counts)  
  
    def extract_output(self, sum_count):  
        (sum, count) = sum_count  
        return sum / count if count else float('NaN')
```

```
pc = ...  
average = pc | beam.CombineGlobally(AverageFn())
```

# Combine is more efficient than GroupByKey

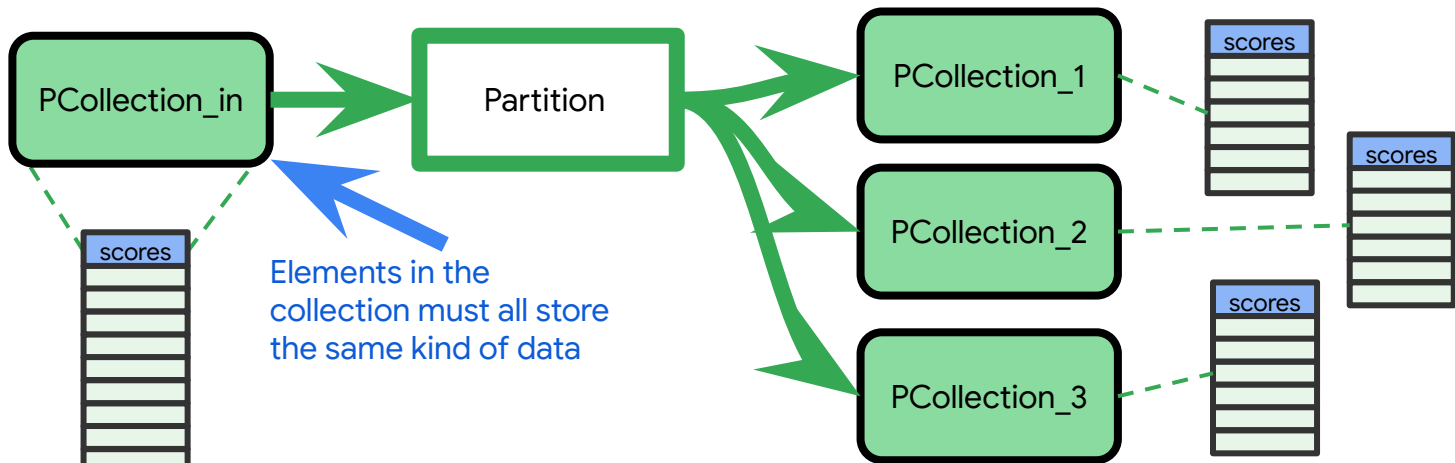


# Flatten merges identical PCollections



```
merged = ((pcoll1, pcoll2, pcoll3) | beam.Flatten())
```

# Partition splits PCollections into smaller PCollections



```
scores = ...  
  
def partition_fn(scores, num_partitions):  
    return int(get_percentile(scores) * num_partitions / 100)  
  
by_decile = scores | beam.Partition(partition_fn, 10)
```





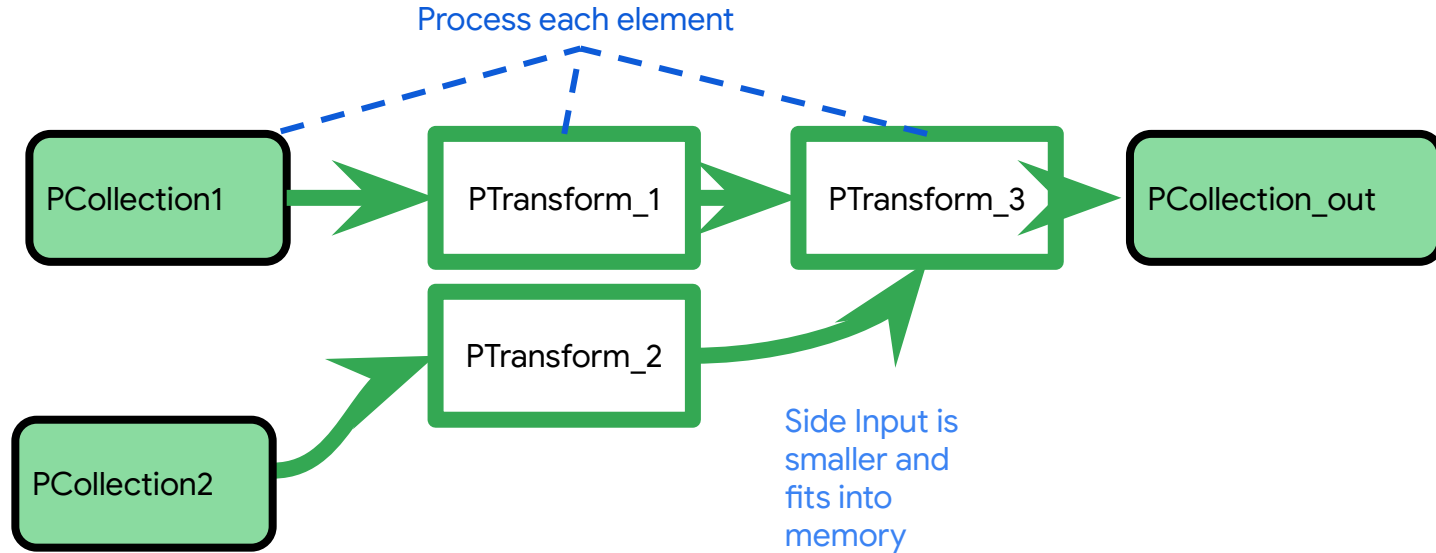
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## MapReduce in Dataflow (Python/Java)

### Objectives

- Identify Map and Reduce operations
- Execute the pipeline
- Use command line parameters

# Use side inputs to inject additional runtime data



# How side inputs work

```
words = ...

def filter_using_length(word, lower_bound, upper_bound=float('inf')):
    if lower_bound <= len(word) <= upper_bound:
        yield word

small_words = words | 'small' >> beam.FlatMap(filter_using_length, 0, 3)

avg_word_len = (words
                | beam.Map(len)
                | beam.CombineGlobally(beam.combiners.MeanCombineFn()))

larger_than_average = (words | 'large' >> beam.FlatMap(
    filter_using_length,
    lower_bound=pvalue.AsSingleton(avg_word_len)))
```

Side input



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## Side Inputs (Python/Java)

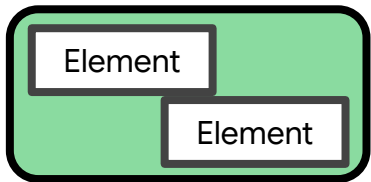
### Objectives

- Try out a BigQuery query
- Explore the pipeline code
- Execute the pipeline

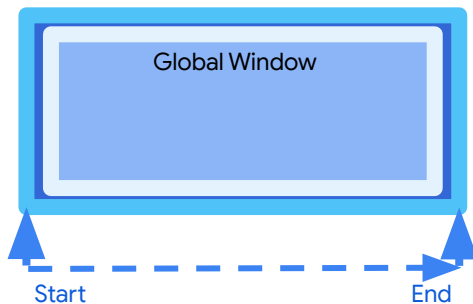
# Processing Time-series data using Windowing

# Every PCollection is processed within a Window

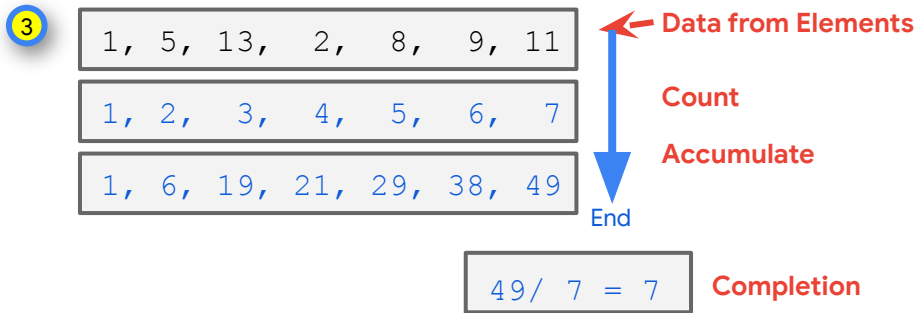
## Bounded PCollection



- 2 In Bounded PCollections, commonly the Elements are all marked as occurring at the same time. (Example: TextIO does this.) So the global window basically ignores the timing information.

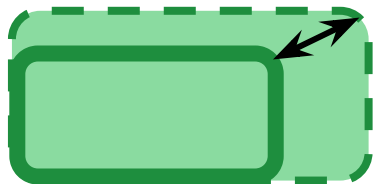


- 1 The default window is called the global window, it starts when the data is input and ends when the last element in the collection is processed.



# The global window is not very useful for an unbounded PCollection

## Unbounded PCollection

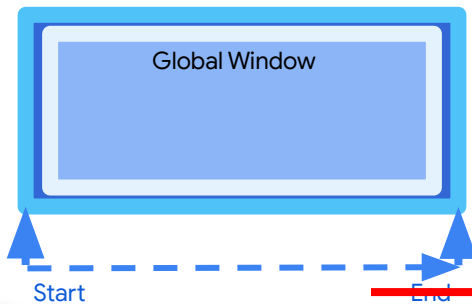


1

The timing associated with the elements in an Unbounded PCollection is usually important to processing the data.

3

The discussion about Unbounded PCollections and Windows will be continued in the course on Processing Streaming Data.



2

An Unbounded PCollection has no defined end or last element. So it can never perform the completion step.

This is particularly important for **GroupByKey** and **Combine**, which perform the shuffle after 'end'.

# Setting a single global window for a PCollection.

## Single global window

```
from apache_beam import window
session_windowed_items = (
    items | 'window' >> beam.WindowInto(window.GlobalWindows()))
```

Python

This is the default.

This code illustrates how you could explicitly set it.

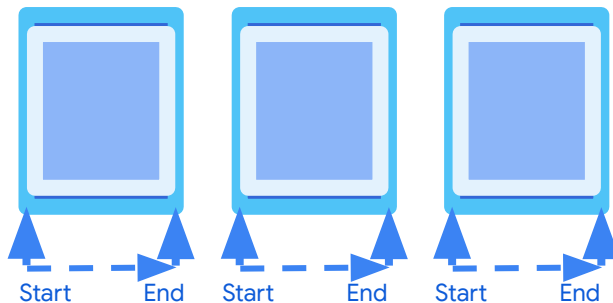


# Time-based Windows can be useful for processing time-series data



1

You may have to prepare the date-timestamp. In this example, the dts of the data (log writing time) becomes the element time. Now the elements have different times from one another.



2

Using time based windowing the data is processed in groups.

In the example, each group gets its own average.

3

There are different kinds of windowing.

Shown is "Fixed" There is also "Sliding" and "Session".

# Using Windowing with Batch (group by time)

```
lines = p | 'Create' >> beam.io.ReadFromText('access.log')
windowed_counts = (
    lines
    | 'Timestamp' >> beam.Map(lambda x: beam.window.TimestampedValue(x, extract_timestamp(x)))
    | 'Window' >> beam.WindowInto(beam.window.SlidingWindows(60, 30))
    | 'Count' >> (beam.CombineGlobally(beam.combiners.CountCombineFn()).without_defaults())
)
windowed_counts = windowed_counts | beam.ParDo(PrintWindowFn())
```

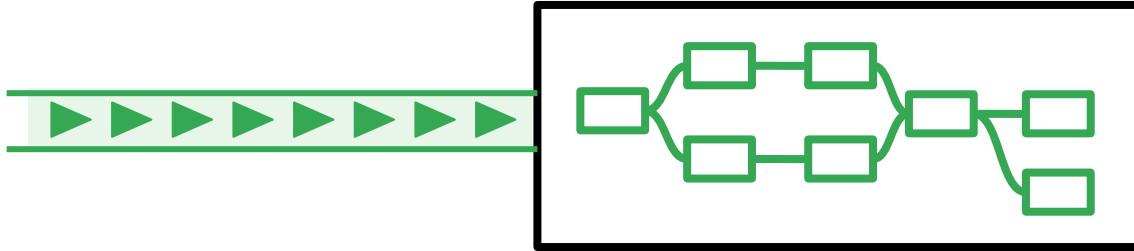
Python

## access.log (example)

```
131.108.5.17 - - [29/Apr/2019:04:53:15 -0800] "GET /view HTTP/1.1" 200 7352
131.108.5.17 - - [29/Apr/2019:05:21:35 -0800] "GET /view HTTP/1.1" 200 5253
```

Date Time Stamp

# Streaming data processing with Cloud Dataflow



Discussion of streaming continues in the  
Streaming Data Processing course.

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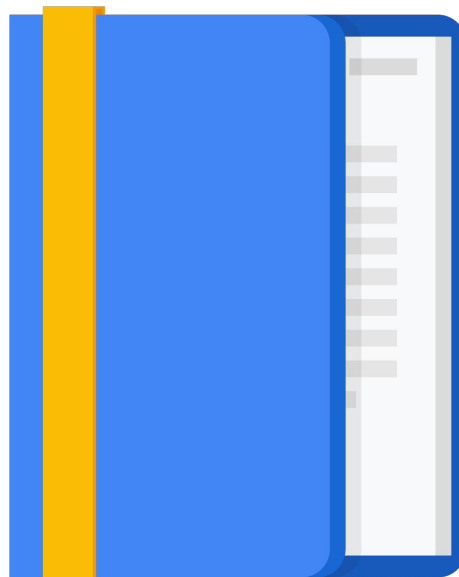
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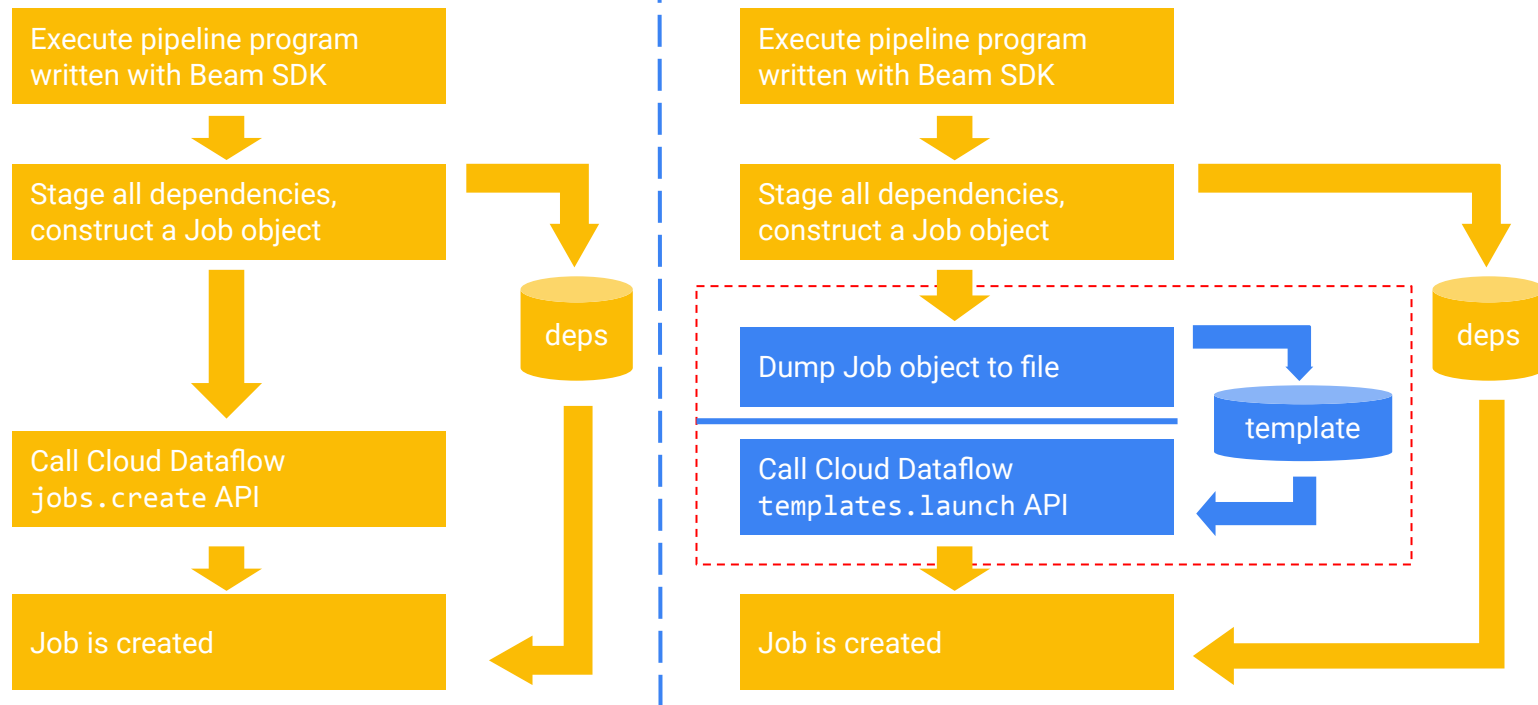
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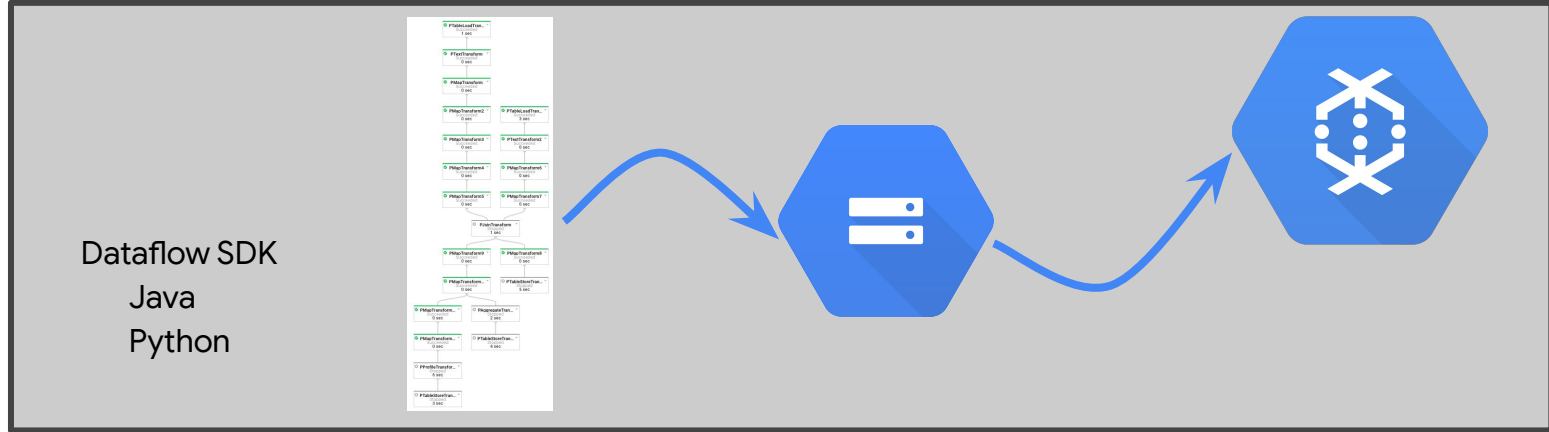


# Cloud Dataflow templates enable the rapid deployment of standard job types



# Traditional workflow all happens in one environment

## Development environment



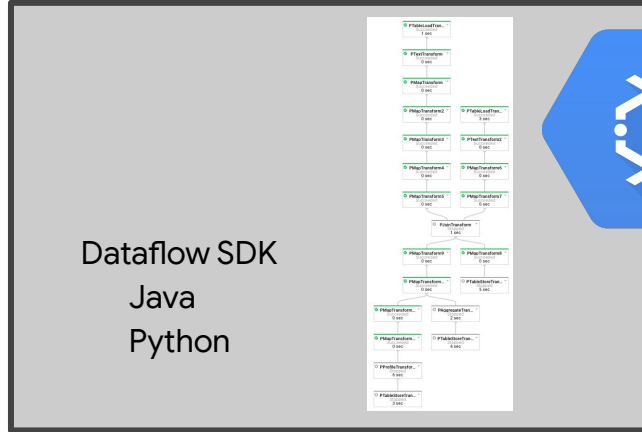
Developer executes  
pipeline on Dataflow

SDK stages  
files in Cloud  
Storage

Developer or User  
submits source code to  
run Dataflow jobs

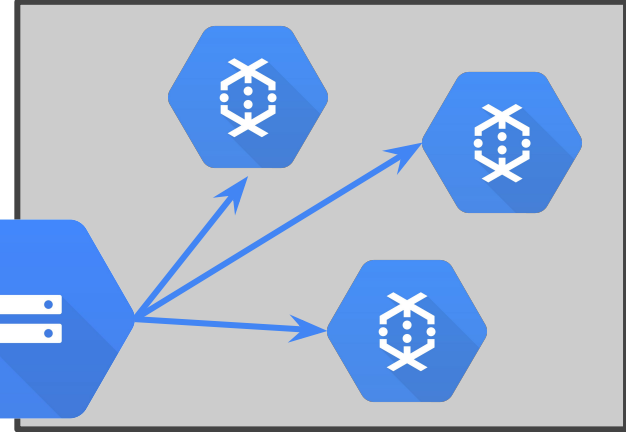
# Template workflow supports non-developer users

## Development environment



Developer creates pipeline in the development environment

## Production environment



Dataflow stores template in cloud storage

Users submit templates to run jobs

# Get started with Google-provided templates

Pre-written Cloud Dataflow pipelines for common data tasks that can be triggered with a single command or UI form.



## Target users

- App developers
- DB admins
- Analysts
- Data scientists
- Data engineers



## Exposure

- Through Google-provided Cloud Dataflow templates
- Embedded in other GCP products calling templates API

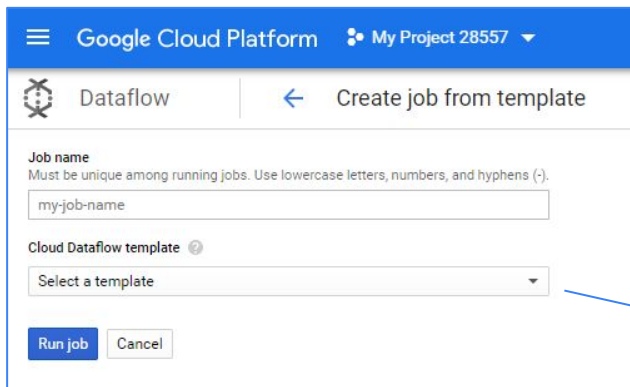


## Data Fusion

- Branded Google product
- UI pipeline builder
- Scheduler/orchestrator



# Execute templates with the GCP Console, gcloud command-line tool, or the REST API



The screenshot shows the Google Cloud Platform console interface for Dataflow. The top navigation bar includes the Google Cloud logo, 'Google Cloud Platform', and 'My Project 28557'. The main header has a 'Dataflow' tab and a 'Create job from template' button. Below this, the 'Job name' field is set to 'my-job-name' with a note: 'Must be unique among running jobs. Use lowercase letters, numbers, and hyphens (-)'. The 'Cloud Dataflow template' dropdown menu is open, showing 'Select a template'. At the bottom are 'Run job' and 'Cancel' buttons. A blue arrow points from the dropdown menu to a list of templates on the right.

```
gcloud dataflow jobs run \  
--gcs-location=gs://df-ts/latest/PubsubToBigQuery \  
--parameters inputTopic=X outputTable=Y
```

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- The list of templates is organized into two sections: 'Get Started' and 'Process Data in Bulk (batch)'. The 'Get Started' section includes 'Word Count'. The 'Process Data Continuously (stream)' section lists templates for Pub/Sub to BigQuery, Pub/Sub to Text Files on Cloud Storage, Pub/Sub to Avro Files on Cloud Storage, Pub/Sub to Cloud Pub/Sub, Text Files on Cloud Storage to Cloud Pub/Sub, Text Files on Cloud Storage to BigQuery, and Data Masking/Tokenization using Cloud DLP from GCS to BigQuery. The 'Process Data in Bulk (batch)' section lists templates for Text Files on Cloud Storage to Cloud Pub/Sub, Text Files on Cloud Storage to BigQuery, Cloud Datastore to Text Files on Cloud Storage, Text Files on Cloud Storage to Cloud Datastore, Cloud Spanner to Text Files on Cloud Storage, Cloud Spanner to Avro Files on Cloud Storage, Avro Files on Cloud Storage to Cloud Spanner, Cloud BigTable to SequenceFile Files on Cloud Storage, SequenceFile Files on Cloud Storage to Cloud BigTable, Cloud Bigtable to Avro Files on Cloud Storage, Avro Files on Cloud Storage to Cloud Bigtable, and Jdbc to BigQuery.
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    - Word Count
  - Process Data Continuously (stream)**
    - Cloud Pub/Sub Subscription to BigQuery
    - Cloud Pub/Sub Topic to BigQuery
    - Cloud Pub/Sub to Text Files on Cloud Storage
    - Cloud Pub/Sub to Avro Files on Cloud Storage
    - Cloud Pub/Sub to Cloud Pub/Sub
    - Text Files on Cloud Storage to Cloud Pub/Sub
    - Text Files on Cloud Storage to BigQuery
    - Data Masking/Tokenization using Cloud DLP from GCS to BigQuery
  - Process Data in Bulk (batch)**
    - Text Files on Cloud Storage to Cloud Pub/Sub
    - Text Files on Cloud Storage to BigQuery
    - Cloud Datastore to Text Files on Cloud Storage
    - Text Files on Cloud Storage to Cloud Datastore
    - Cloud Spanner to Text Files on Cloud Storage
    - Cloud Spanner to Avro Files on Cloud Storage
    - Avro Files on Cloud Storage to Cloud Spanner
    - Cloud BigTable to SequenceFile Files on Cloud Storage
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    - Avro Files on Cloud Storage to Cloud Bigtable
    - Jdbc to BigQuery

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## Get started with Google-provided templates



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Google provides a set of [open-source](#) Cloud Dataflow templates. For general information about templates, see the [Overview](#) page. To get started, use the [WordCount](#) template documented in the section below. See other Google-provided templates:

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# Use cases of Google-provided templates

- Code-free routine job launcher for data engineers
- Building block for import/export feature of other services on GCP
- OSS code base works as good knowledge base



Cloud Pub/Sub



Cloud Spanner



Cloud BigTable

## Which means now you can...

- Launch Dataflow jobs programmatically (via API).
- Launch Dataflow jobs instantaneously.
- Re-use Dataflow jobs
- Letting you customize the execution of your pipeline

# What if you want to create your own template?

- Doc: <https://cloud.google.com/dataflow/docs/templates/overview>
- Steps
  1. Modify pipeline options with ValueProviders.
  2. Generate template file.

```
mvn compile exec:java \  
-Dexec.mainClass=com.example.myclass \  
-Dexec.args="--runner=DataflowRunner \  
--project=[YOUR_PROJECT_ID] \  
--stagingLocation=gs://[YOUR_BUCKET_NAME]/staging \  
--output=gs://[YOUR_BUCKET_NAME]/output \  
--templateLocation=gs://[YOUR_BUCKET_NAME]/templates/MyTemplate"
```

3. Call it from API.

```
POST https://dataflow.googleapis.com/v1b3/projects/[YOUR_PROJECT_ID]/templates:launch?gcsPath=gs://[  
{  
  "jobName": "[JOB_NAME]",  
  "parameters": {  
    "inputFile": "gs://[YOUR_BUCKET_NAME]/input/my_input.txt",  
    "outputFile": "gs://[YOUR_BUCKET_NAME]/output/my_output"  
  },  
  "environment": {  
    "tempLocation": "gs://[YOUR_BUCKET_NAME]/temp",  
    "zone": "us-central1-f"  
  }  
}
```

# Templates require modifying parameters for runtime

```
class WordcountOptions(PipelineOptions):  
    @classmethod  
    def _add_argparse_args(cls, parser):  
        parser.add_value_provider_argument(  
            '--input',  
            default='gs://dataflow-samples/shakespeare/kinglear.txt',  
            help='Path of the file to read from')  
        parser.add_argument(  
            '--output',  
            required=True,  
            help='Output file to write results to.')  
    pipeline_options = PipelineOptions(['--output', 'some/output_path'])  
    p = beam.Pipeline(options=pipeline_options)  
  
    wordcount_options = pipeline_options.view_as(WordcountOptions)  
    lines = p | 'read' >> ReadFromText(wordcount_options.input)
```

Python

Run-time  
parameters

Non run-time  
parameters can stay

Runtime parameters  
must be modified

# Creating a template

- ValueProviders are passed down throughout the whole pipeline construction phase
- ValueProvider.get() only available in processElement()
  - Because it is fulfilled via API call

```
public interface SumIntOptions extends PipelineOptions {
    // New runtime parameter, specified by the --int
    // option at runtime.
    ValueProvider<Integer> getInt();
    void setInt(ValueProvider<Integer> value);
}

class MySumFn extends DoFn<Integer, Integer> {
    ValueProvider<Integer> mySumInteger;

    MySumFn(ValueProvider<Integer> sumInt) {
        // Store the value provider
        this.mySumInteger = sumInt;
    }

    @ProcessElement
    public void processElement(ProcessContext c) {
        // Get the value of the value provider and add it to
        // the element's value.
        c.output(c.element() + mySumInteger.get());
    }
}

public static void main(String[] args) {
    SumIntOptions options =
        PipelineOptionsFactory.fromArgs(args).withValidation()
            .as(SumIntOptions.class);
}
```

# Nested Value Providers

Sometimes we need to transform a value from what the user passes at Runtime to what a Source/Sink expects to consume

NestedValueProviders meet this need

```
public static void main(String[] args) {  
    pipeline  
        .apply(Create.of(1, 2, 3).withCoder(BigEndianIntegerCoder.of()));  
        // Write to the computed complete file path  
        .apply("Output+Nums" TextIO.write().to(NestedValueProvider.of(  
            options.getFileName()  
            new SerializableFunction<String, String>() {  
                @Override  
                public String apply(String file) {  
                    return "gs://bucket/" + file;  
                }  
            }  
        ))));  
    pipeline.run();  
}
```



# Template Metadata

- Located at the same directory, named <template\_name>\_metadata

```
{
  "name": "WordCount",
  "description": "An example pipeline that counts words in the input file.",
  "parameters": [{
    "name": "inputFile",
    "label": "Input Cloud Storage File(s)",
    "help_text": "Path of the file pattern glob to read from.",
    "regexes": ["^gs://[/\\[^\\n\\r]+$"],
    "is_optional": true
  },
  {
    "name": "output",
    "label": "Output Cloud Storage File Prefix",
    "help_text": "Path and filename prefix for writing output files. ex: gs://MyBucket/counts",
    "regexes": ["^gs://[/\\[^\\n\\r]+$"]
  }
]
```

# Agenda

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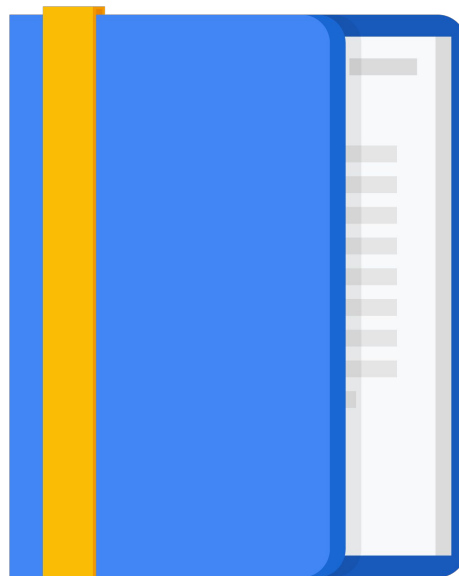
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Dataflow SQL



# Cloud Dataflow SQL lets you use SQL queries to develop and run Cloud Dataflow jobs from the BigQuery web UI

## Query editor

```
1  SELECT
2    sr.sales_region,
3    TUMBLE_START("INTERVAL 15 SECOND") AS period_start,
4    SUM(tr.payload.amount) as amount
5  FROM pubsub.topic.`dataflow-sql`.transactions AS tr
6    INNER JOIN bigquery.table.`dataflow-sql`.dataflow_sql_dataset.us_state_salesregions AS sr
7    ON tr.payload.state = sr.state_code
8  GROUP BY
9    sr.sales_region,
10   TUMBLE(tr.event_timestamp, "INTERVAL 15 SECOND")
```



Valid.

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Create Cloud Dataflow job



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