Components of a data platform

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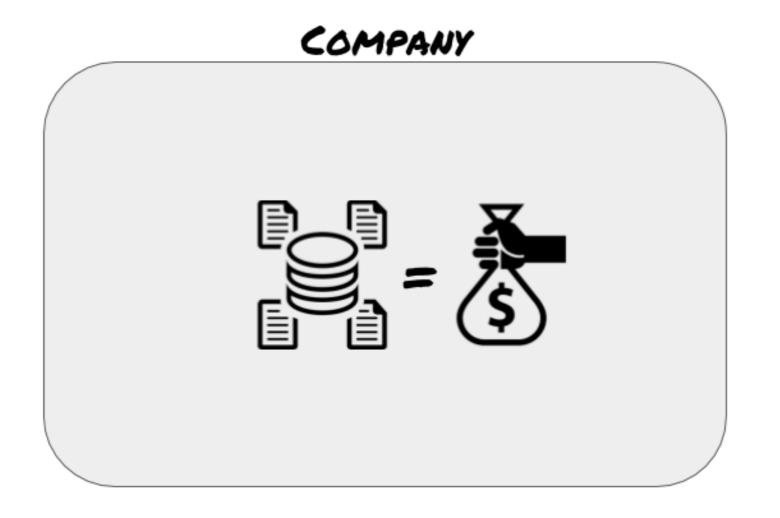


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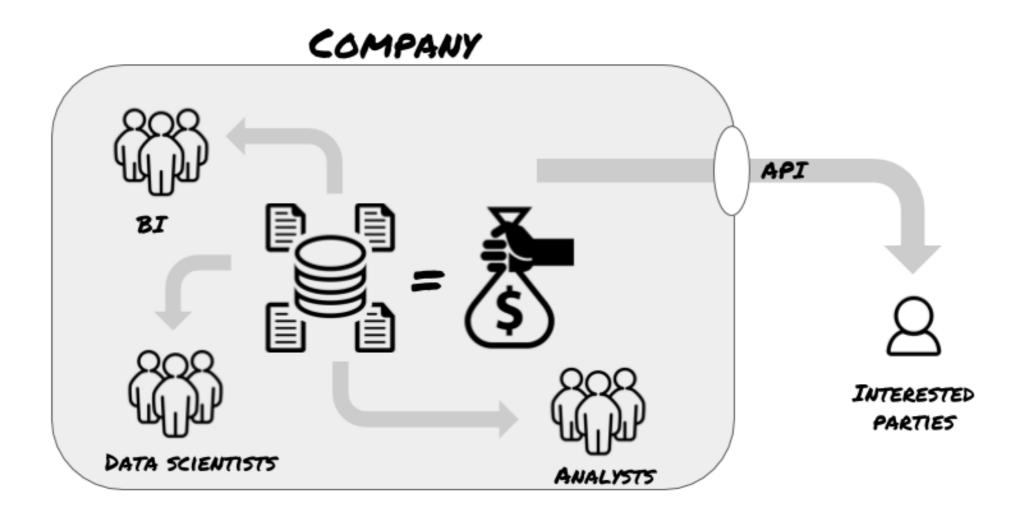
- ingest data using Singer
- apply common data cleaning operations
- gain insights by combining data with PySpark
- test your code automatically
- deploy Spark transformation pipelines
- => intro to data engineering pipelines



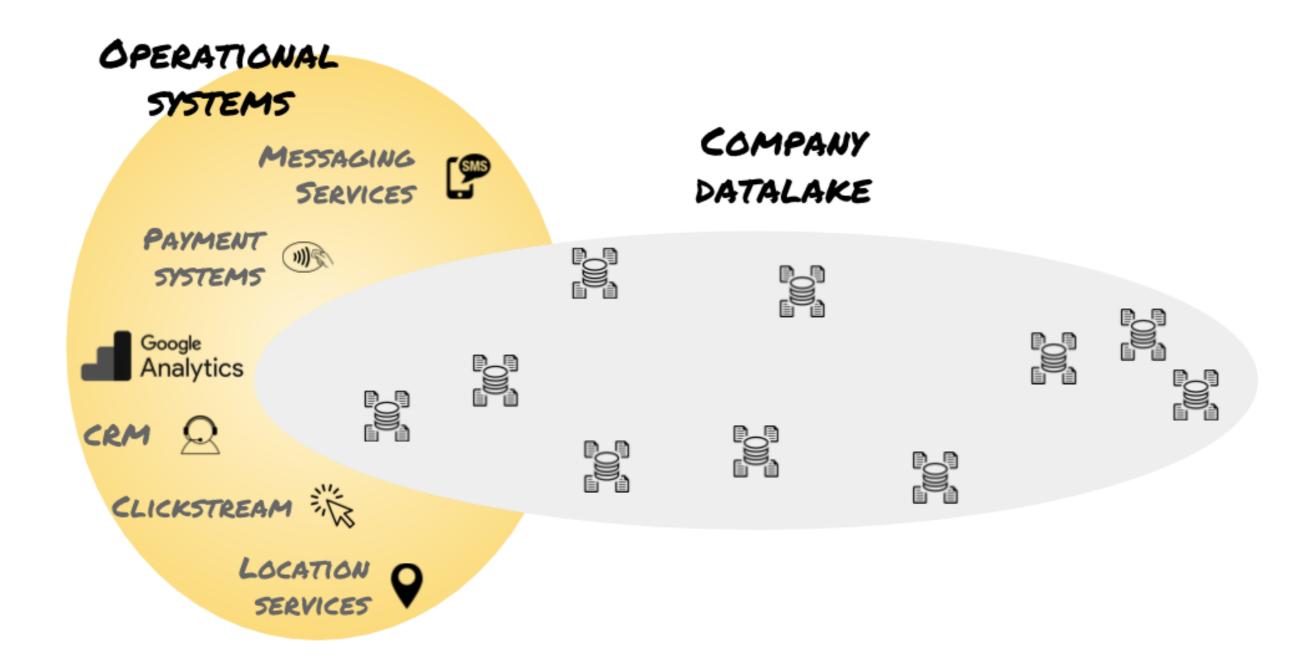
Data is valuable



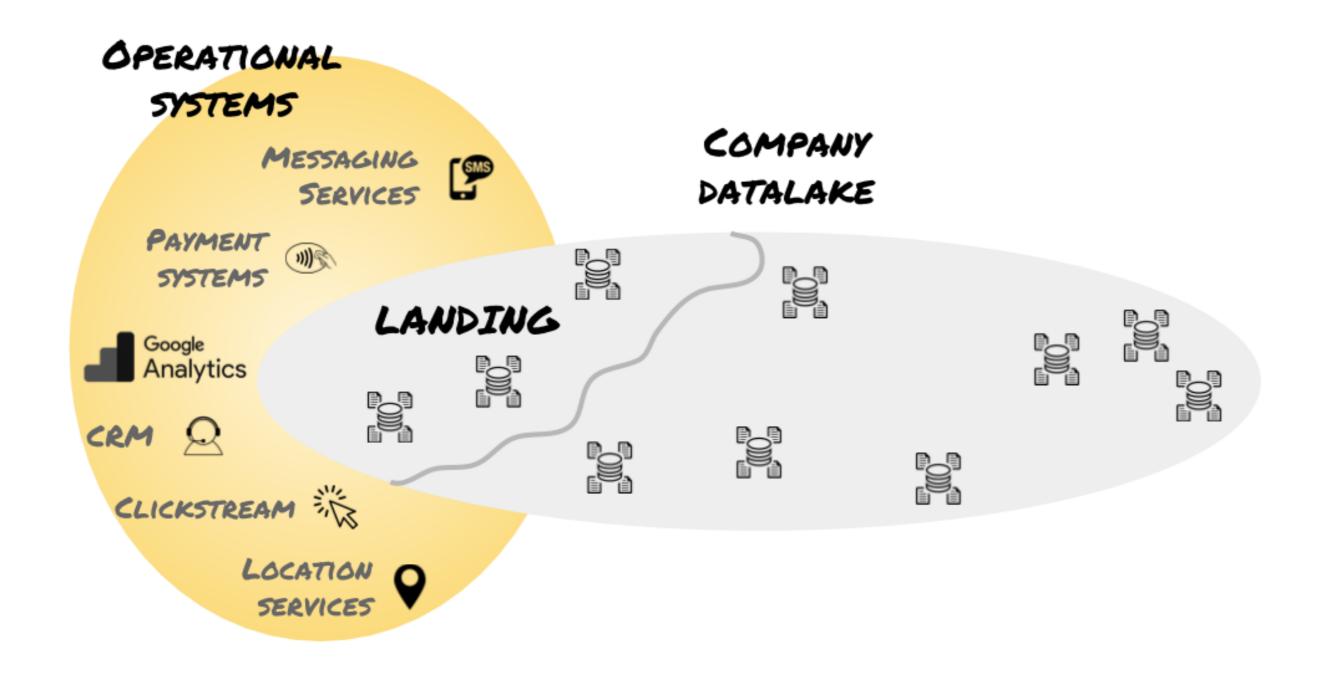
Democratizing data increases insights



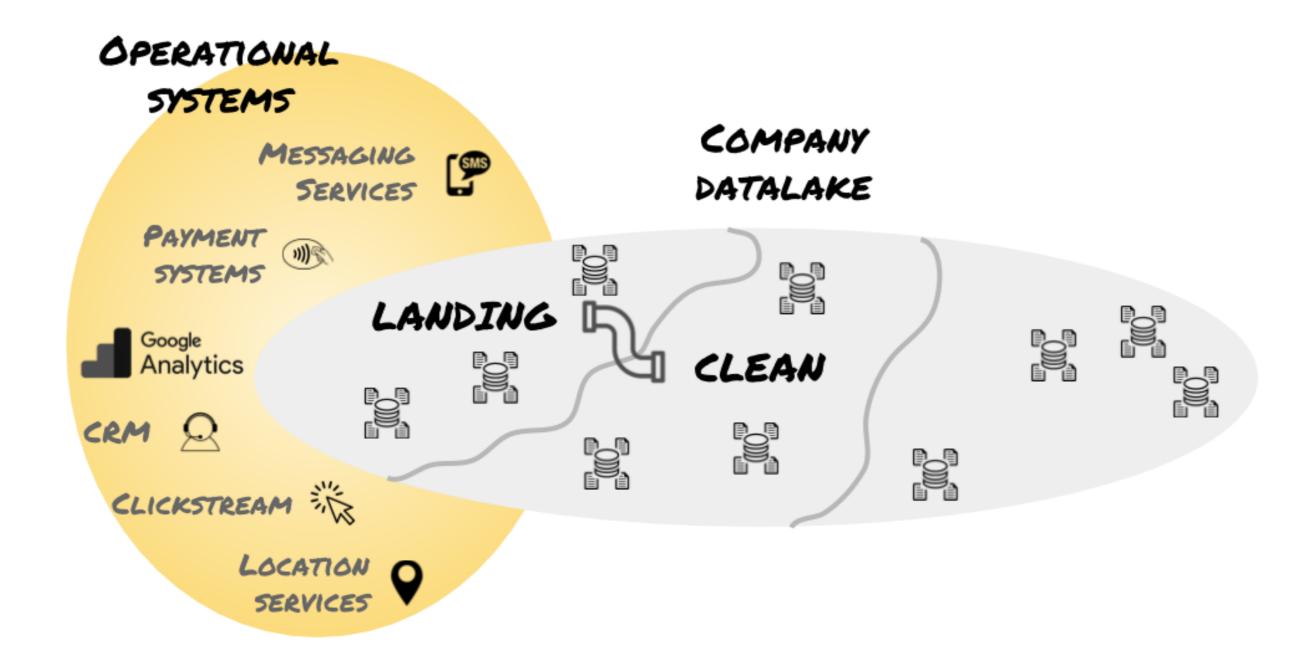
Genesis of the data



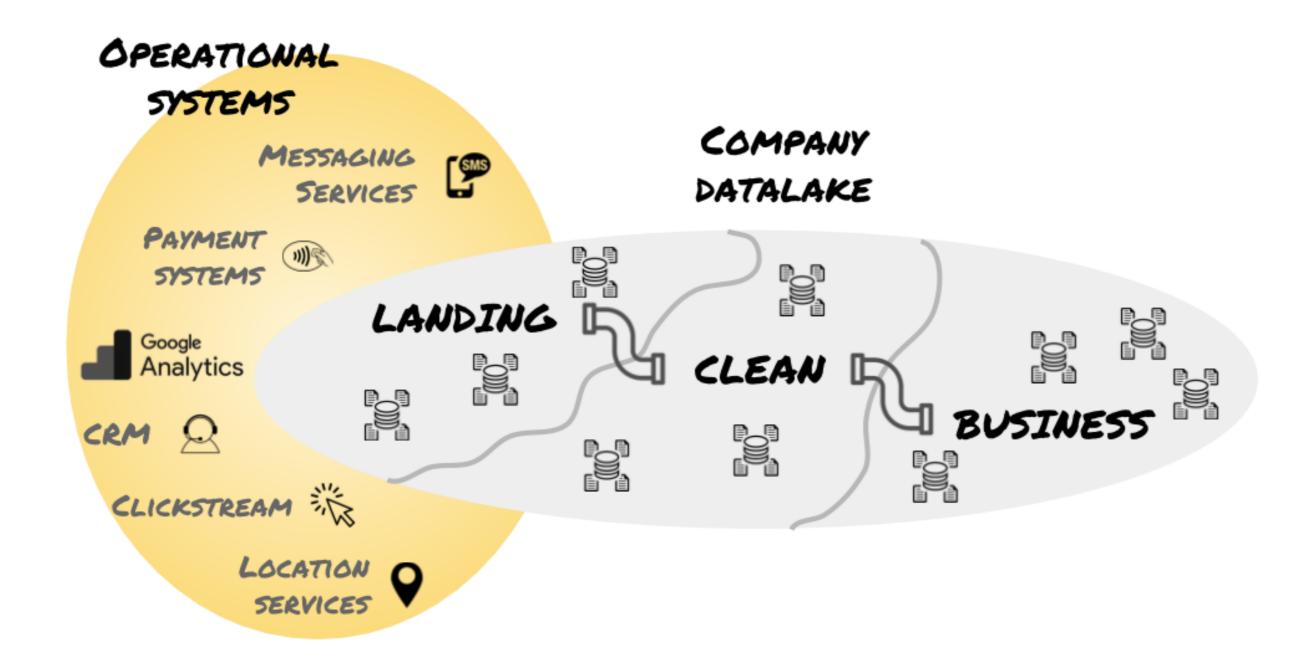
Operational data is stored in the landing zone



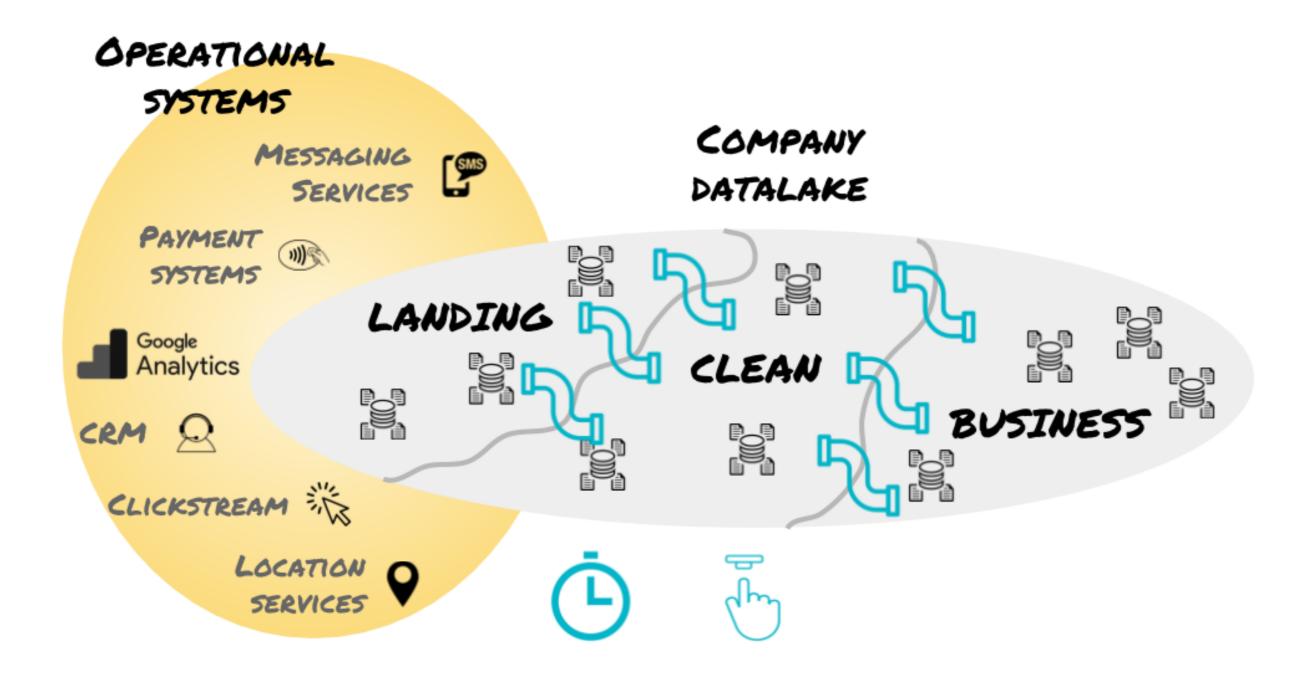
Cleaned data prevents rework



The business layer provides most insights



Pipelines move data from one zone to another





Let's reason!

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Introduction to data ingestion with Singer

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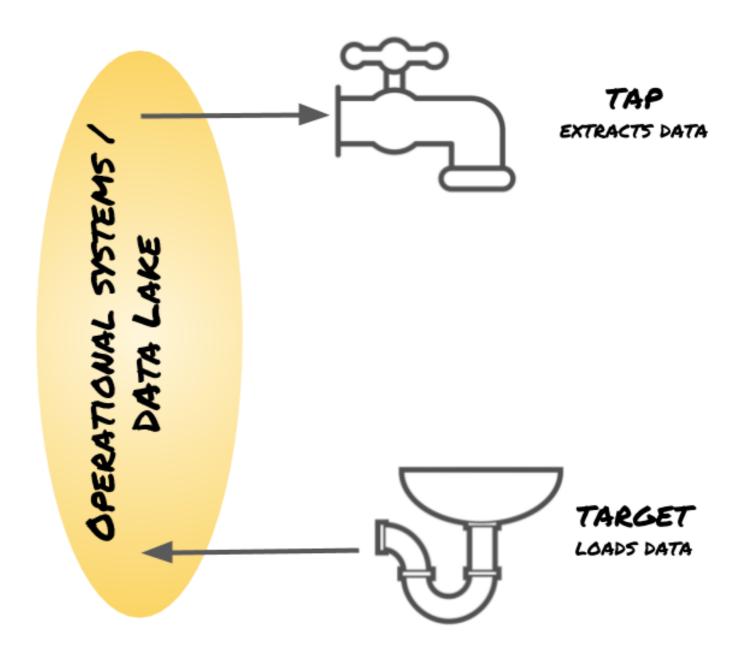


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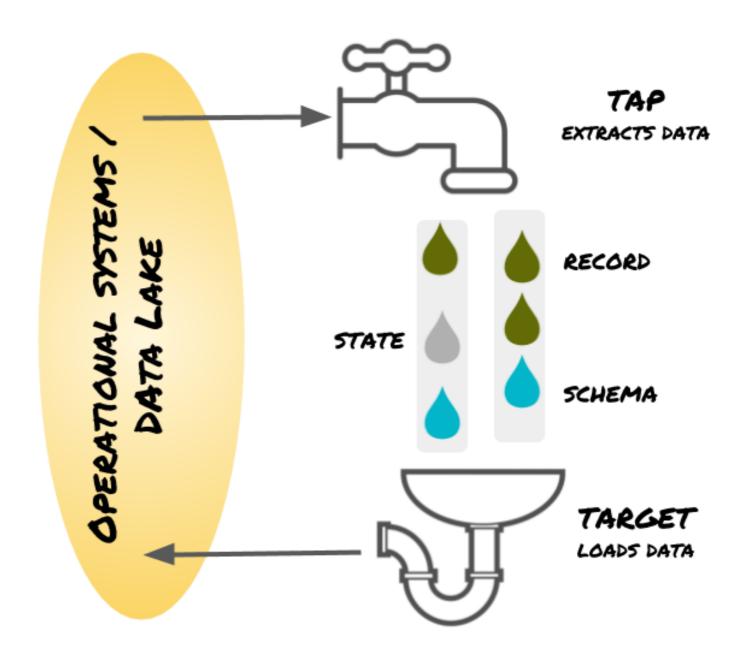


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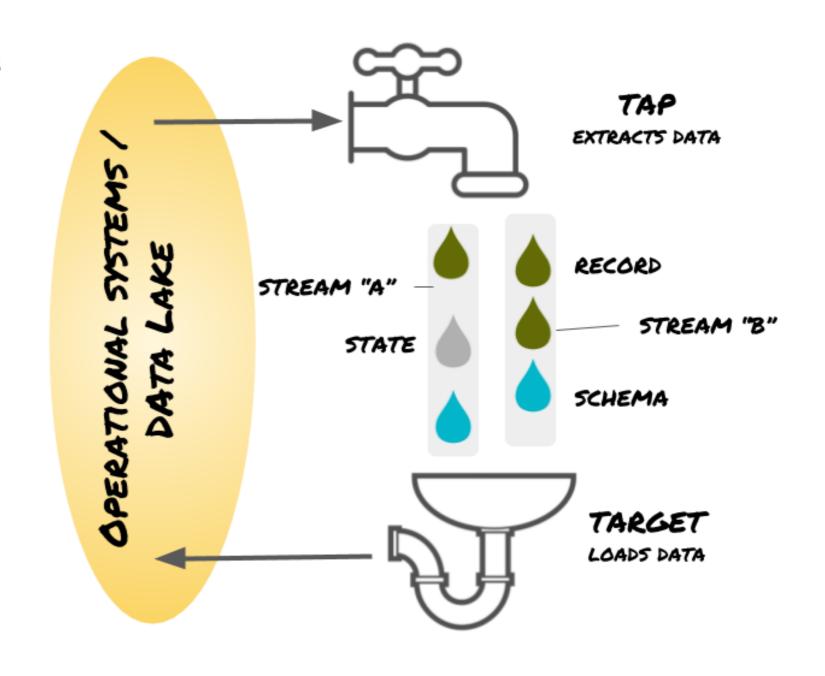


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Describing the data through its schema

```
columns = ("id", "name", "age", "has_children")
users = {(1, "Adrian", 32, False),
         (2, "Ruanne", 28, False),
         (3, "Hillary", 29, True)}
json_schema = {
    "properties": {"age": {"maximum": 130,
                           "minimum": 1,
                           "type": "integer"},
                   "has_children": {"type": "boolean"},
                   "id": {"type": "integer"},
                   "name": {"type": "string"}},
    "$id": "http://yourdomain.com/schemas/my_user_schema.json",
    "$schema": "http://json-schema.org/draft-07/schema#"}
```

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Serializing JSON

```
import json

json.dumps(json_schema["properties"]["age"])
```

Let's practice!

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Running an ingestion pipeline with Singer

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Streaming record messages

```
columns = ("id", "name", "age", "has_children")
users = {(1, "Adrian", 32, False),
      (2, "Ruanne", 28, False),
      (3, "Hillary", 29, True)}
singer.write_record(stream_name="DC_employees",
               record=dict(zip(columns, users.pop())))
fixed_dict = {"type": "RECORD", "stream": "DC_employees"}
record_msg = {**fixed_dict, "record": dict(zip(columns, users.pop()))}
print(json.dumps(record_msg))
```

Chaining taps and targets

```
# Module: my_tap.py
import singer

singer.write_schema(stream_name="foo", schema=...)

singer.write_records(stream_name="foo", records=...)
```

Ingestion pipeline: **Pipe** the tap's output into a Singer target, using the | | symbol (Linux & MacOS)

```
python my_tap.py | target-csv

python my_tap.py | target-csv --config userconfig.cfg

my-packaged-tap | target-csv --config userconfig.cfg
```

Modular ingestion pipelines

```
my-packaged-tap | target-csv
my-packaged-tap | target-google-sheets
my-packaged-tap | target-postgresql --config conf.json
```

```
tap-custom-google-scraper | target-postgresql --config headlines.json
```

Keeping track with state messages



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id	name	last_updated_on
1	Adrian	2019-06-14T14:00:04.000+02:00
2	Ruanne	2019-06-16T18:33:21.000+02:00
3	Hillary	2019-06-14T10:05:12.000+02:00

```
singer.write_state(value={"max-last-updated-on": some_variable})
```

Run this tap-mydelta on 2019-06-14 at 12:00:00.000+02:00 (2nd row wasn't yet present then):

```
{"type": "STATE", "value": {"max-last-updated-on": "2019-06-14T10:05:12.000+02:00"}}
```



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