



# Introduction to Spark

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# Datastax

- Founded in **April 2010**
- We contribute **a lot** to Apache Cassandra™
- **400+** customers (25 of the Fortune 100), **200+** employees
- Headquarter in San Francisco Bay area
- EU headquarter in **London**, offices in **France** and **Germany**
- **Datastax Enterprise** = OSS Cassandra + **extra features**

# Agenda

- Spark eco-system
- RDD abstraction
- Spark architecture & job life-cycle
- Spark core API
- Spark SQL
- Spark Streaming



# Spark eco-system

Technology landscape

Spark eco-system

# What is Apache Spark ?

Apache Project since 2010

General data processing framework

MapReduce **is not** the  $\alpha$  &  $\omega$

One-framework-many-components approach

# Data processing landscape

Pregel <sup>Graph</sup>  
Google

Giraph <sup>Graph</sup>  
Apache

...

GraphLab <sup>Graph</sup>  
Dato

# Data processing landscape

Pregel  
Graph  
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Dremel  
SQL  
Google

Drill  
SQL  
Apache

Impala  
SQL  
Cloudera

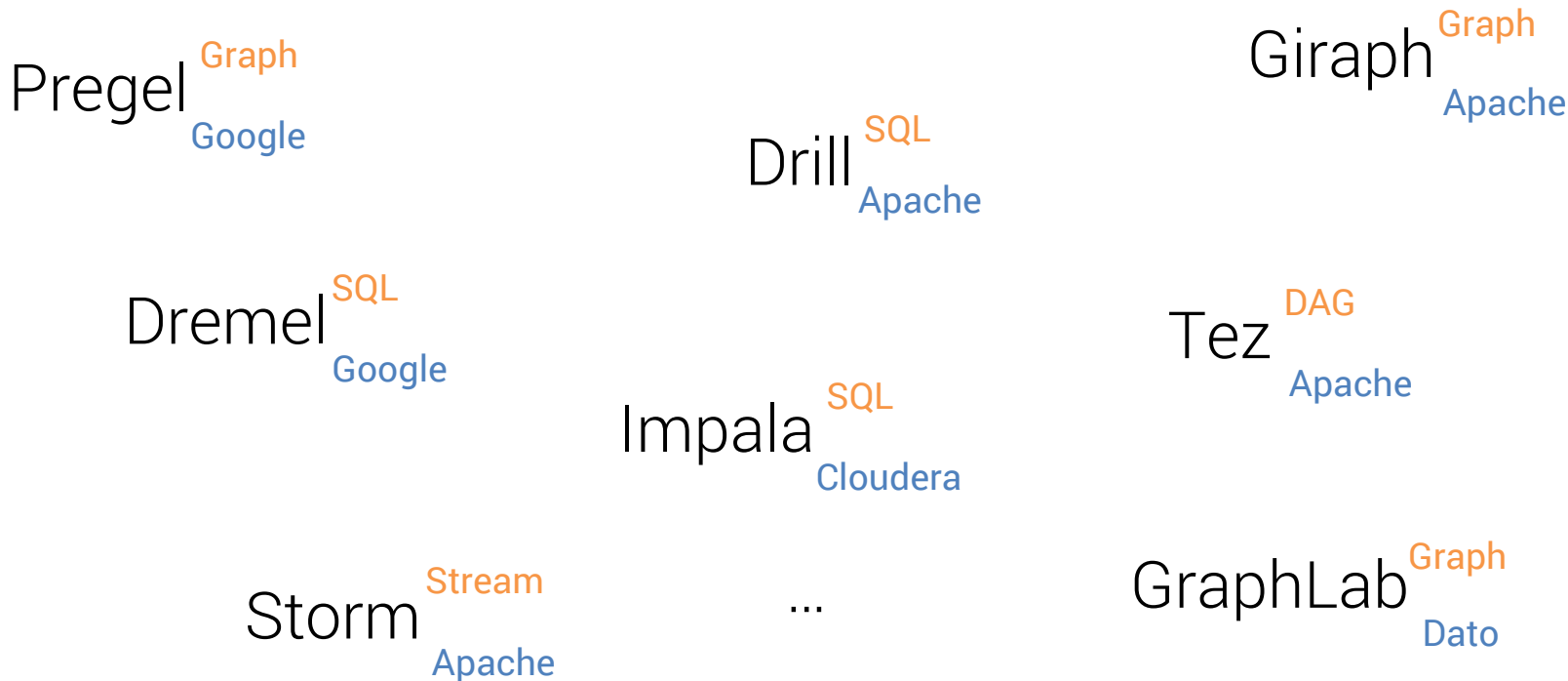
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# Spark characteristics

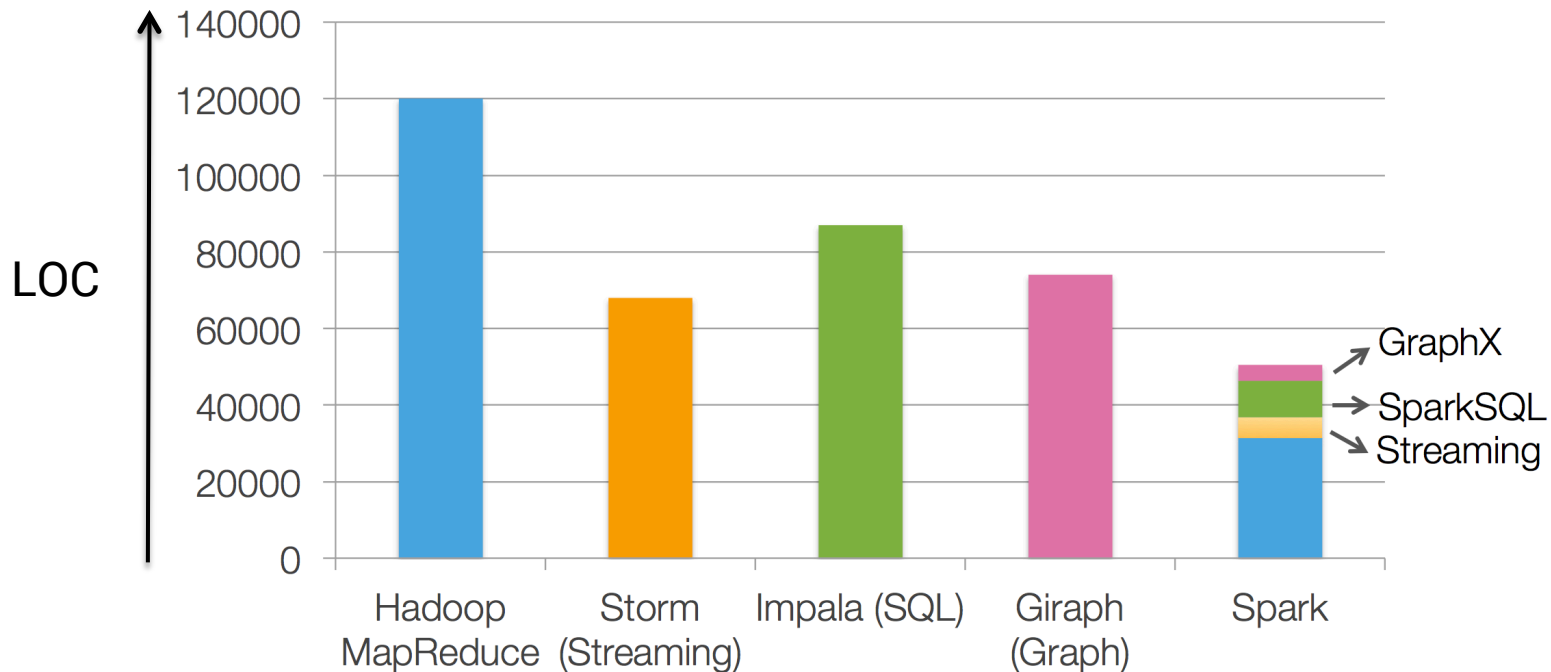
## Fast

- 10x-100x faster than Hadoop MapReduce
- In-memory storage
- Single JVM process per node, multi-threaded

## Easy

- Rich Scala, Java and Python APIs (R is coming ...)
- 2x-5x less code
- Interactive shell

# Spark comparison



non-test, non-example source lines



# Spark eco-system

Spark Streaming

Spark SQL

GraphX

MLLib

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Spark Core Engine (Scala/Java/Python)

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## Cluster Manager

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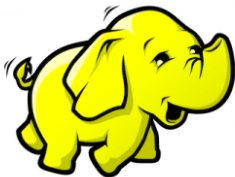
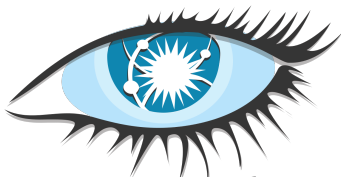
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YARN

Mesos

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## Persistence



APACHE  
HBASE

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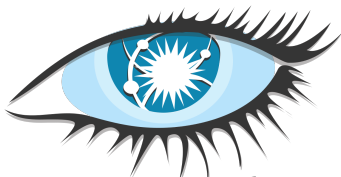
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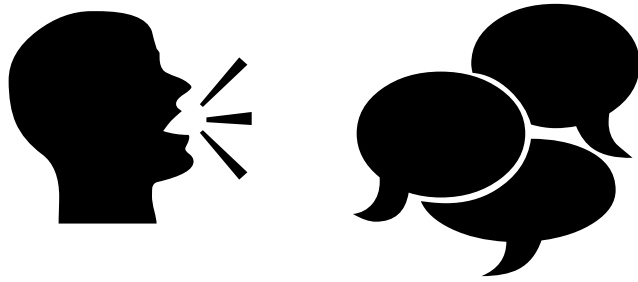
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## Persistence



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HBASE



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# RDD abstraction

Code example

RDD interface



# Code example

## Setup

```
val conf = new SparkConf(true)
    .setAppName("basic_example")
    .setMaster("local[3]")

val sc = new SparkContext(conf)
```

Data-set (can be from text, CSV, Json, Cassandra, HDFS, ...)

```
val people = List(("jdoe", "John DOE", 33),
    ("hsue", "Helen SUE", 24),
    ("rsmith", "Richard Smith", 33))
```

# Code example

## Processing

```
// count users by age
val counByAge = sc.parallelize(people)
    .map(tuple => (tuple._3, tuple))
    .groupByKey()
    .countByKey()

println("Count by age : "+counByAge)
```

# Code example

## Decomposition

```
// count users by age
val counByAge = sc.parallelize(people) //split into different chunks (partitions)
  .map(tuple => (tuple._3, tuple)) //("jdoe","John DOE", 33) => (33,("jdoe",...))
  .groupByKey() //{33 -> (("jdoe",...), ("rsmith",...)), 24->("hsue",...)}
  .countByKey(); //{33 -> 2, 24->1}

println("Count by age : "+countByAge); //Count by age = Map(33 -> 2, 24 -> 1)
```

# RDDs

RDD = Resilient Distributed Dataset

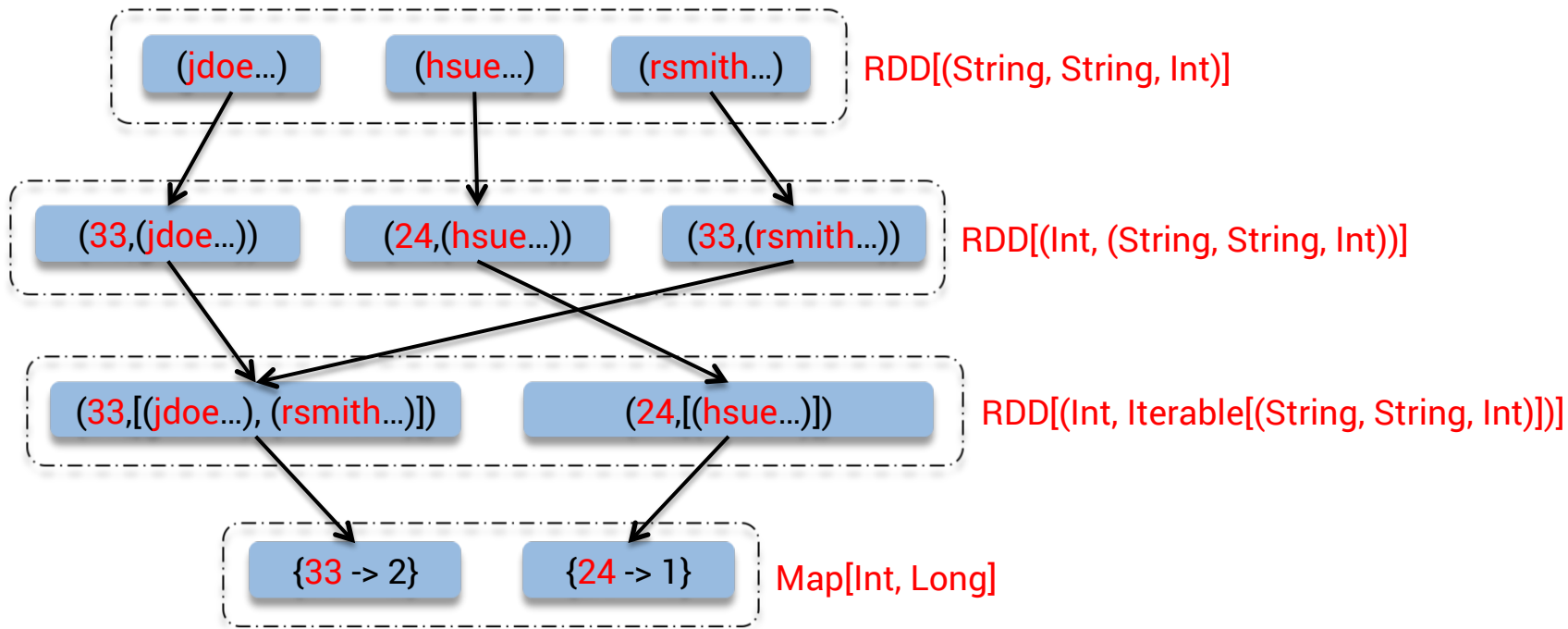
```
val parallelPeople: RDD[(String, String, Int)] = sc.parallelize(people)

val extractAge: RDD[(Int, (String, String, Int))] = parallelPeople
                                                    .map(tuple => (tuple._3, tuple))

val groupByAge: RDD[(Int, Iterable[(String, String, Int)])] = extractAge.groupByKey()

val countByAge: Map[Int, Long] = groupByAge.countByKey()
```

# RDDs in action



# RDD interface

Interface RDD[A]

- $\approx$  collection of A objects
- lazy, pull by children transformations

Operations

- transformations
- actions

# RDD interface

`protected def getPartitions: Array[Partition]`

- define partitions (chunks)

`protected def getDependencies: Seq[Dependency[_]]`

- defines parents RDD
- direct transformations (map, filter,...): 1-to-1 relationship
- aggregations (join, groupByKey ...n-to-n relationship)

`def compute(split: Partition, context: TaskContext): Iterator[T]`



lineage

# RDD interface

```
protected def getPreferredLocations(split: Partition): Seq[String]
```

- for data-locality (HDFS, Cassandra, ...)

```
@transient val partitioner: Option[Partitioner]
```

- HashPartitioner, RangePartitioner
- Murmur3Partitioner for Cassandra
- can be none

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# Partitions

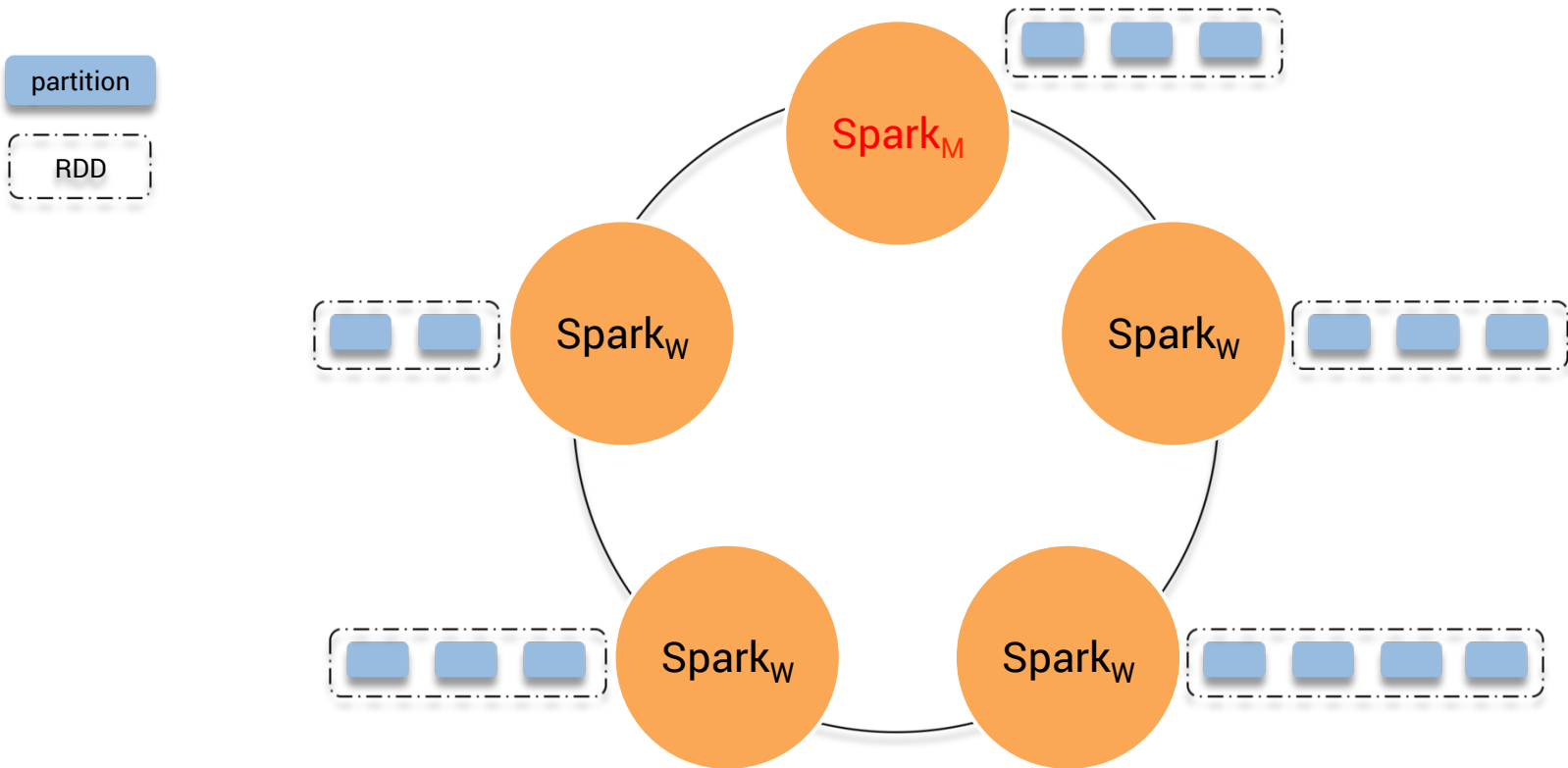
## Definition

- chunks for an RDD
- allow to parallelize operations on an RDD
- 1 RDD has  $[1, n]$  partitions
- partitions are distributed across Spark workers

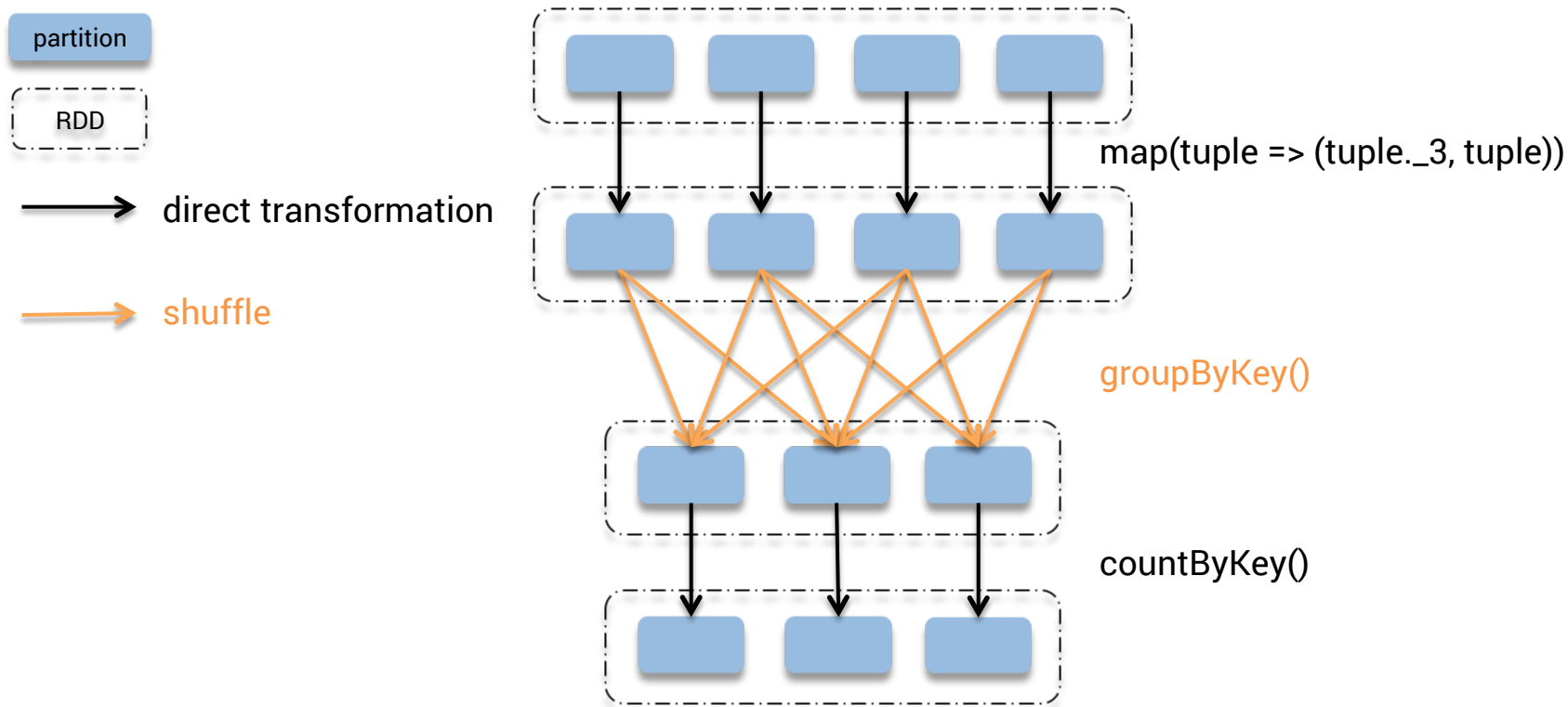
## Partitioning

- impacts parallelism
- impacts performance

# Partitions in the cluster

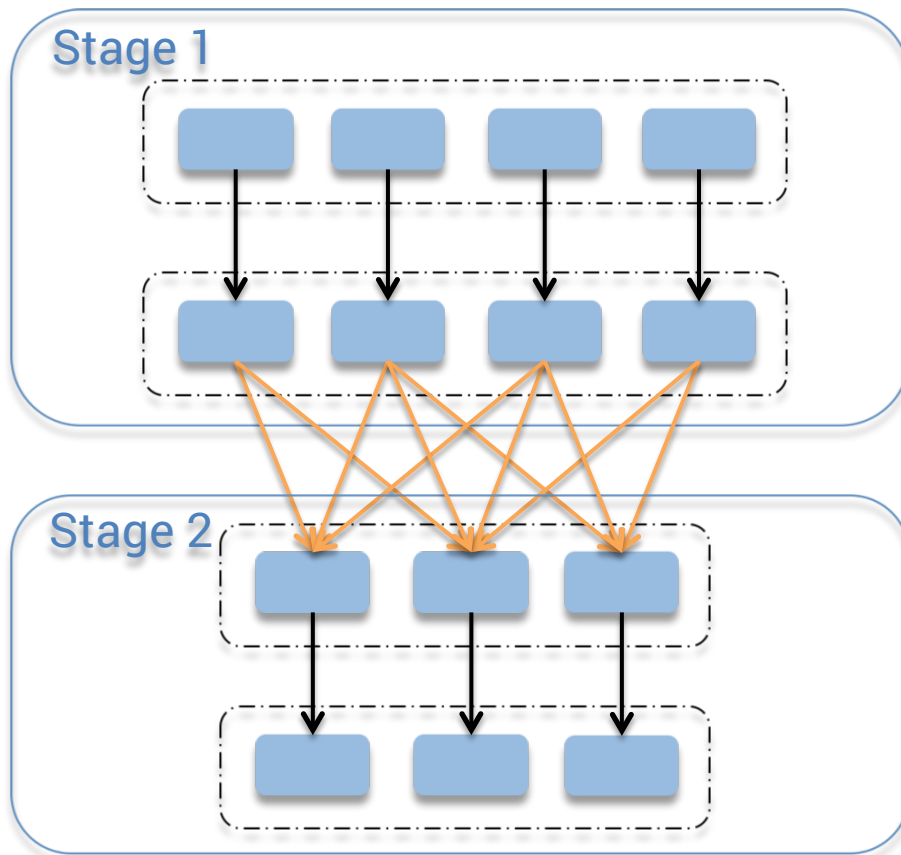


# Partitions transformations



# Stages

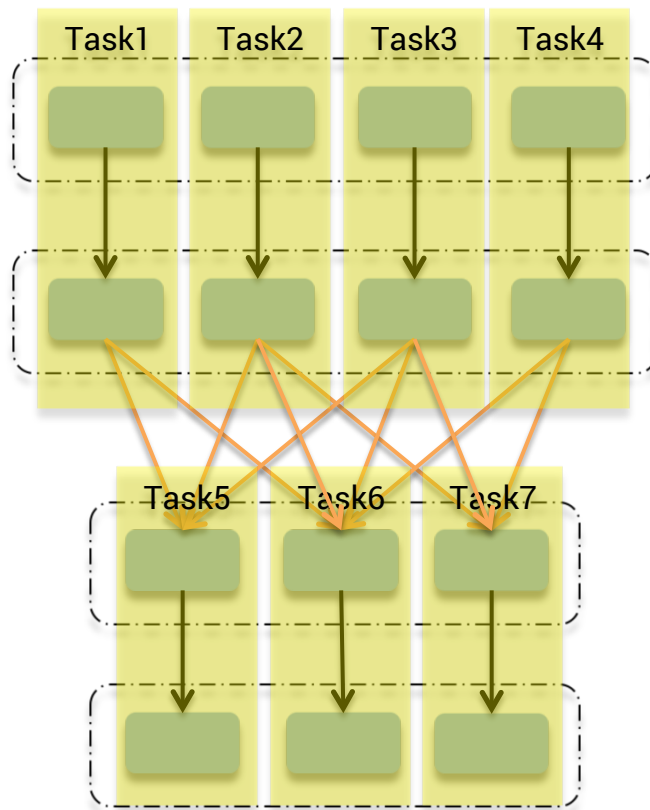
Delimits "shuffle"  
frontiers

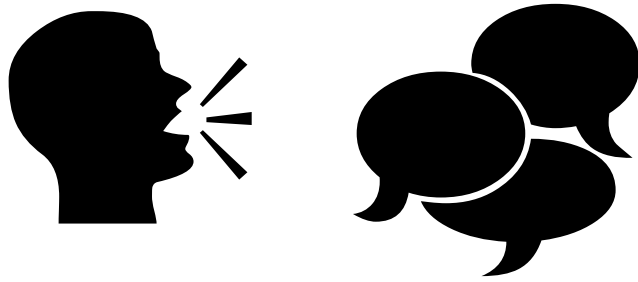


Shuffle operation

# Tasks

Pipelineable  
transformations  
inside a stage





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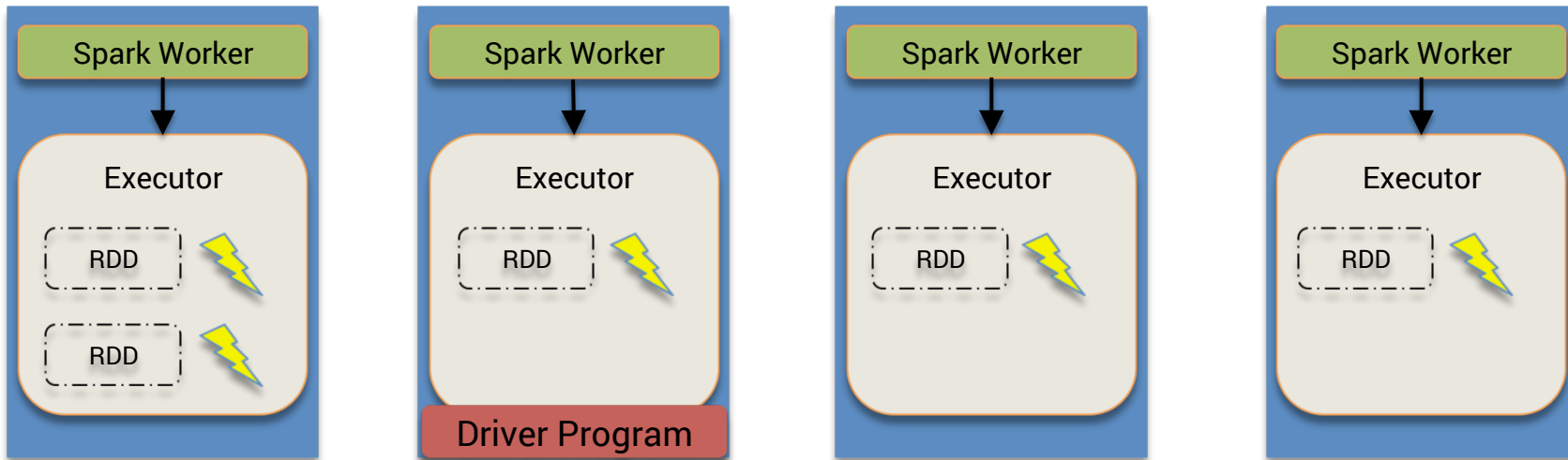
# Architecture & job life-cycle

Spark components

Spark job life-cycle

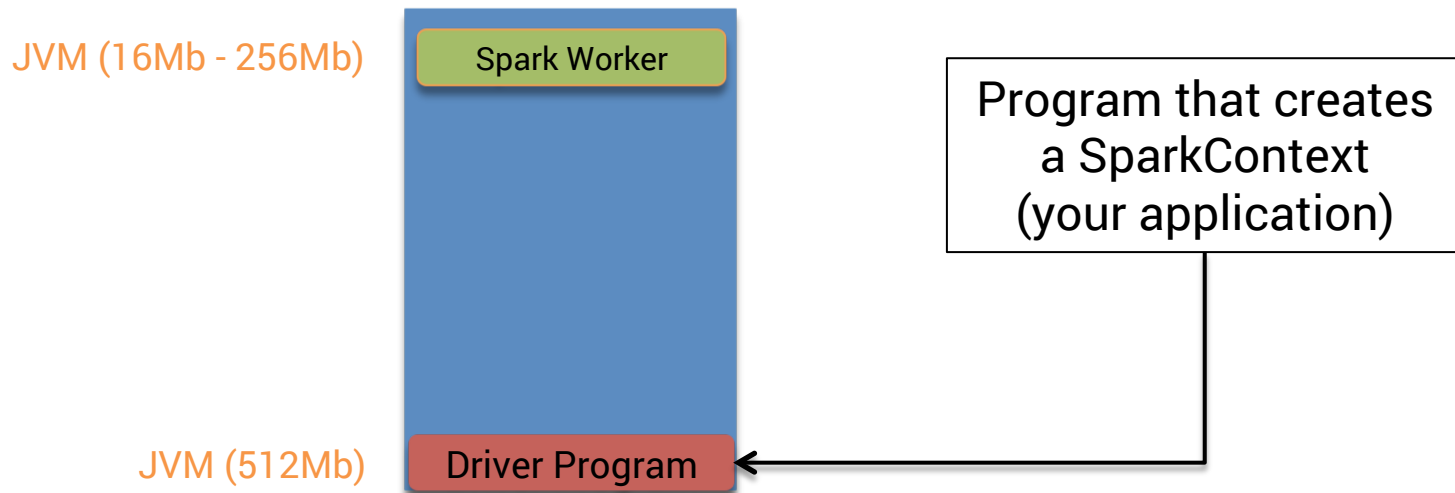
# Spark Components

Spark Master/Cluster Manager

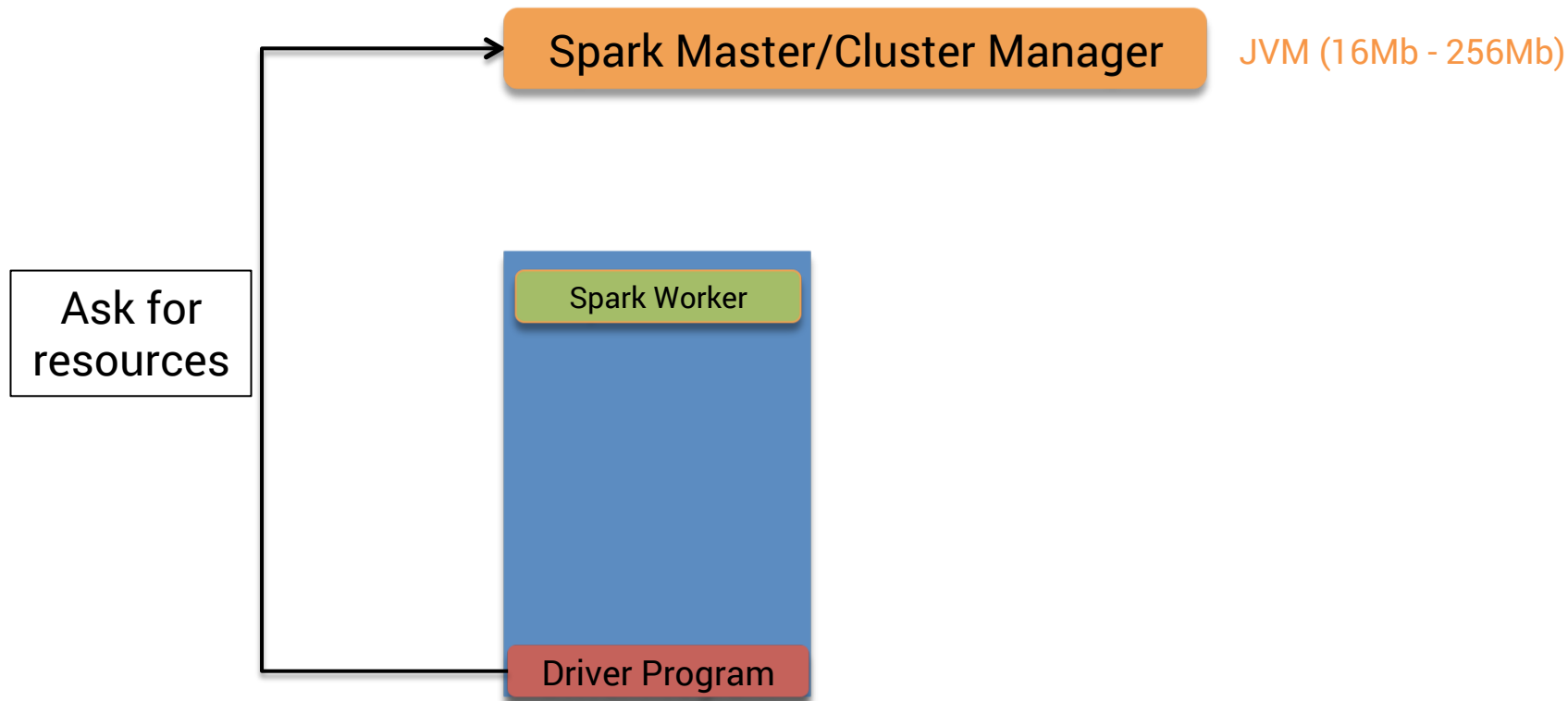




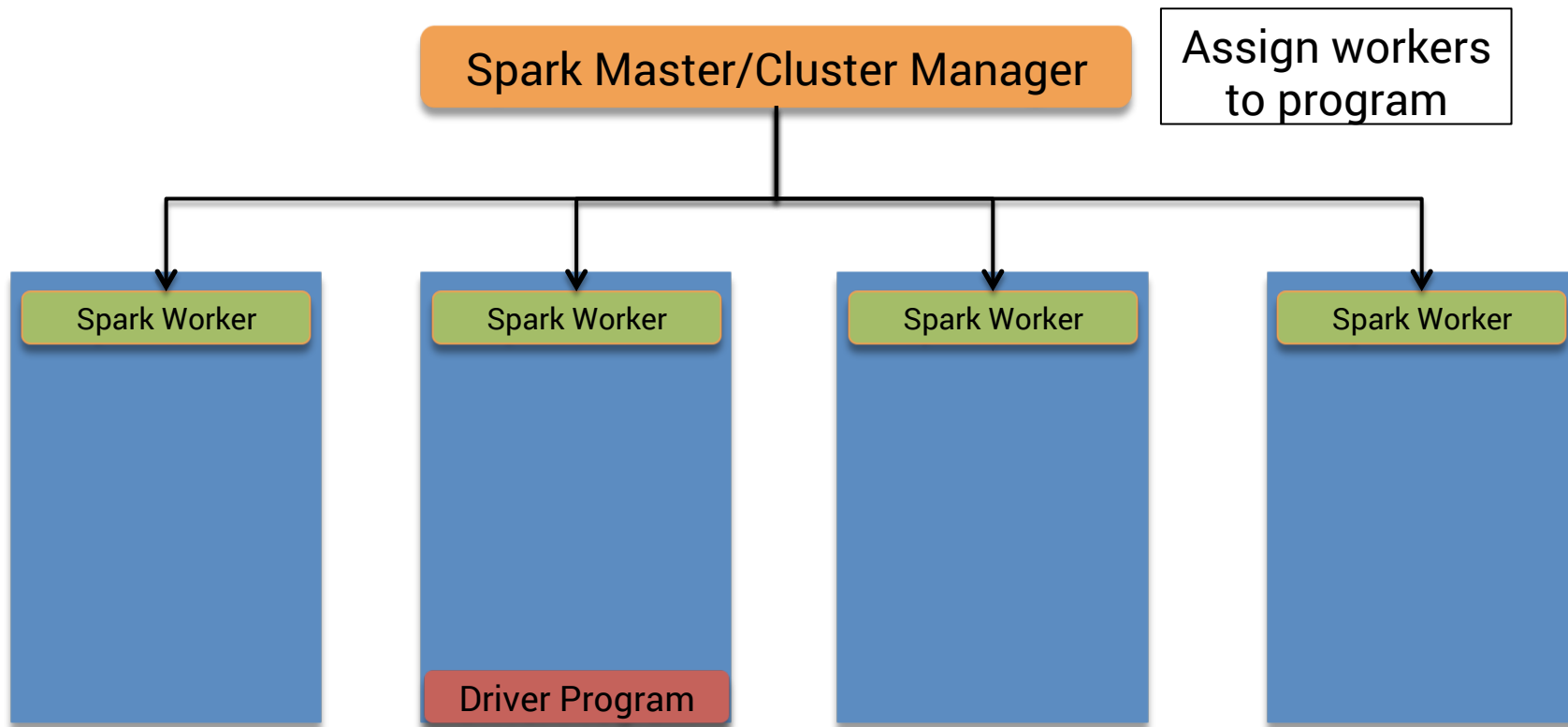
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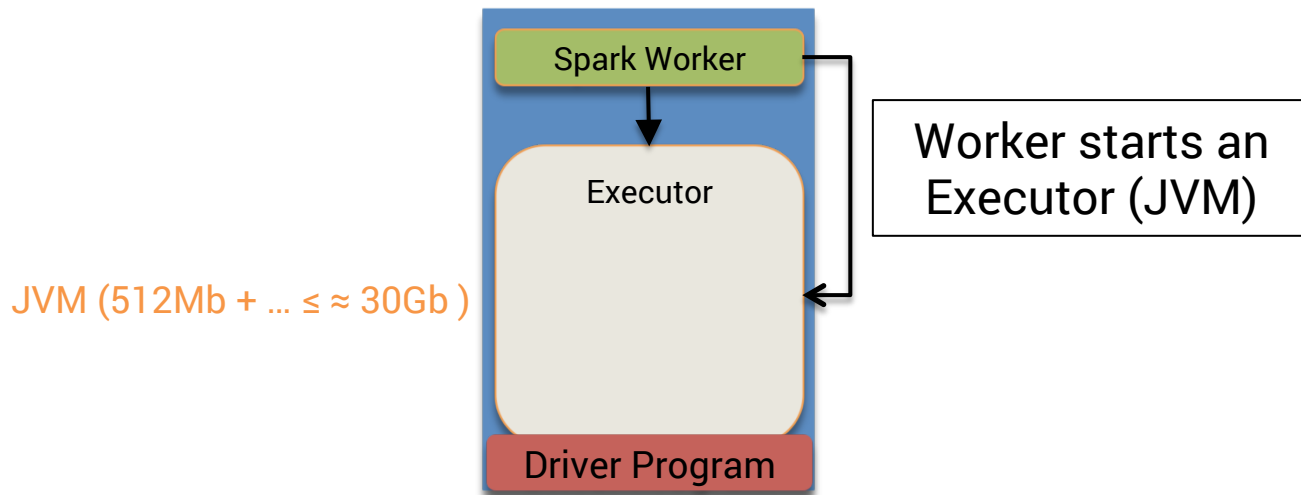
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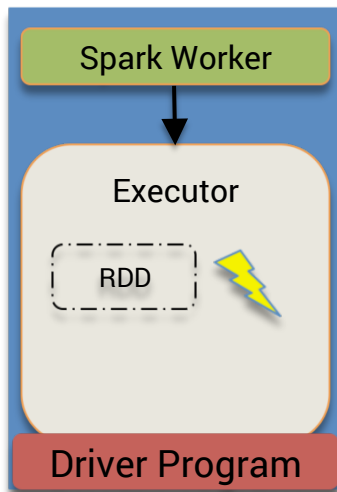


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JVM (512Mb + ...  $\leq$   $\approx$  30Gb )



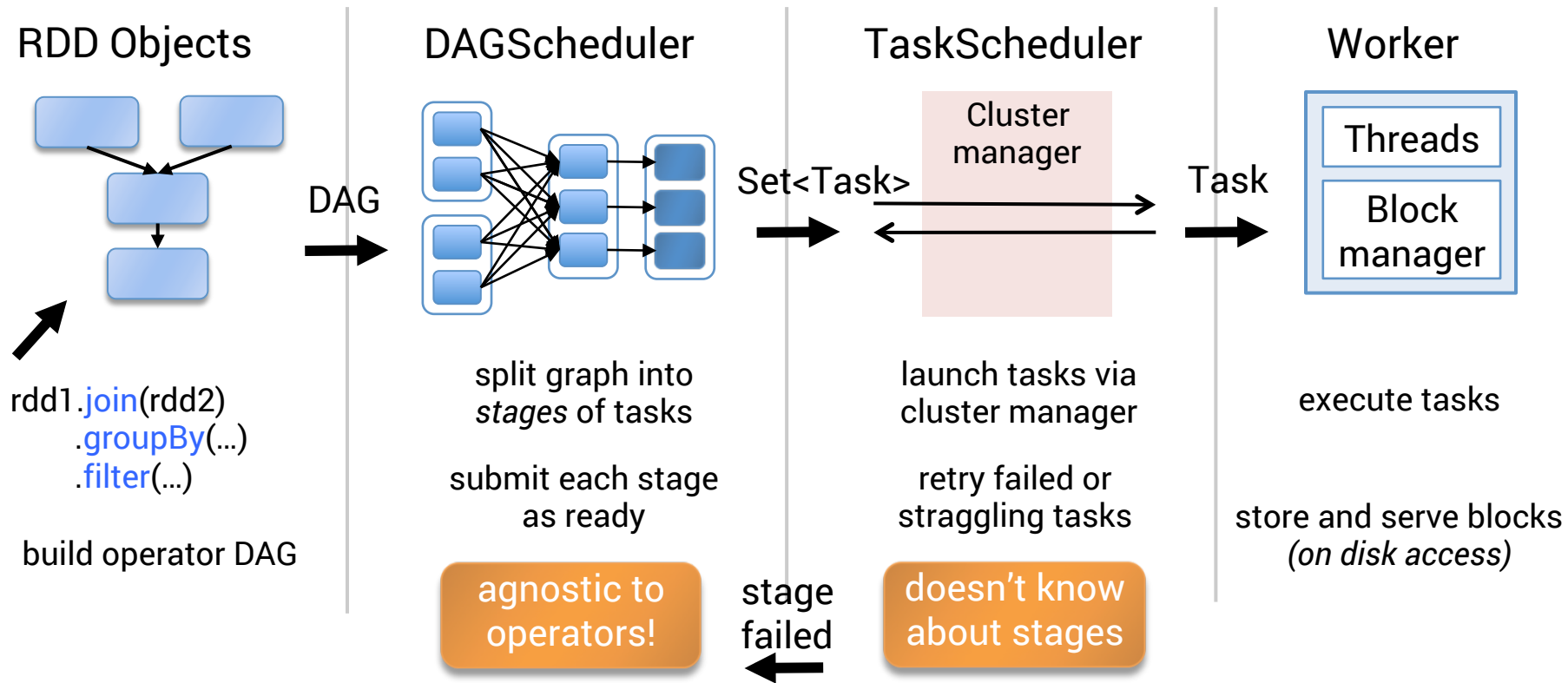
Executor has:

1. thread pool
2. local disk storage

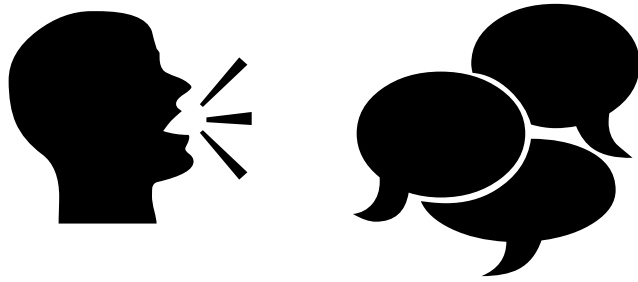
Executor creates:

1. RDD
2. Tasks threads

# Spark job life-cycle



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# Spark Core API

Operations

Performance considerations

Proper partitioning



# Spark Core API

**map**

filter

groupBy

sort

union

join

leftOuterJoin

rightOuterJoin

**reduce**

count

fold

reduceByKey

groupByKey

cogroup

cross

zip

sample

take

first

partitionBy

mapWith

pipe

save

...

**+ Scala collection API**

...

# Direct transformations

Direct transformations	Description
<b>map</b> (f:A => B): RDD[B]	Return a new RDD by applying a function to all elements of this RDD
<b>filter</b> (f:A => Boolean): RDD[A]	Return a new RDD containing only the elements that satisfy a predicate
<b>flatMap</b> (f:A => Seq[B]): RDD[B]	Return a new RDD by first applying a function to all elements of this RDD, and then flattening the results
<b>mapPartitions</b> (f: Iterator[A] => Iterator[B]): RDD[B]	Return a new RDD by applying a function to each partition of this RDD
<b>mapPartitionsWithIndex</b> (f: (Int,Iterator[A]) => Iterator[B]): RDD[B]	Return a new RDD by applying a function to each partition of this RDD, while tracking the index of the original partition
<b>sample</b> (withReplacement: Boolean, fraction: Double, seed: Long): RDD[A]	Return a sampled subset of this RDD
...	...

# Transformations with shuffle

Transformations with shuffle	Description
<code>union(RDD[A]: otherRDD): RDD[A]</code>	Return the union of this RDD and another one
<code>intersection(RDD[A]: otherRDD): RDD[A]</code>	Return the intersection of this RDD and another one
<code>distinct(): RDD[A]</code>	Return a new RDD containing the distinct elements in this RDD
<code>groupByKey(numTasks: Int): RDD[(K,V)]</code>	Group the values for each key in the RDD into a single sequence. <b>Hash-partitions the resulting RDD with the existing partitioner/parallelism level</b>
<code>reduceByKey(f:(V,V) =&gt; V, numTasks: Int): RDD[(K,V)]</code>	Merge the values for each key using an associative reduce function. <b>Output will be hash-partitioned with numPartitions partitions</b>
<code>join[W](otherRDD: RDD[(K, W)]): RDD[(K, (V, W))]</code>	Return an RDD containing all pairs of elements with matching keys in `this` and `other`. Each pair of elements will be returned as a (k, (v1, v2)) tuple, where (k, v1) is in `this` and (k, v2) is in `other`. Performs a hash join across the cluster

# Actions

Actions	Description
<code>reduce(f: (T, T) =&gt; T): T</code>	Reduces the elements of this RDD using the specified <b>commutative</b> and <b>associative</b> binary operator
<code>collect(): Array[A]</code>	Return an array that contains all of the elements in this RDD
<code>count(): Long</code>	Return the number of elements in the RDD
<code>first(): A</code>	Return the first element in this RDD
<code>take(num: Int): Array[A]</code>	Take the first <i>num</i> elements of the RDD
<code>countByKey(): Map[K, Long]</code>	Count the number of elements for each key, and return the result to the master as a Map
<code>foreach(f: A =&gt; Unit): Unit</code>	Applies a function <i>f</i> to all elements of this RDD
...	...

# Performance considerations

Filter early to minimize memory usage

Fetch only necessary data

Minimize "shuffle" operations

Co-partition data whenever possible

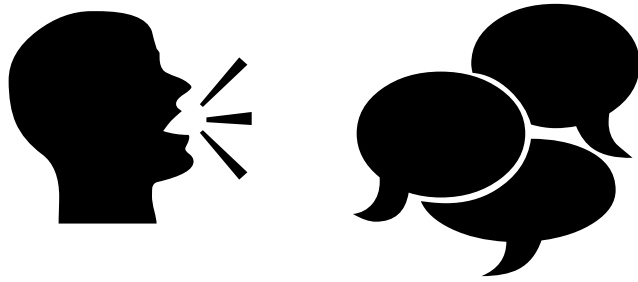
# Proper partitioning

## Too few partitions

- poor parallelism
- sensitivity to data skew
- memory pressure for groupBy(), reduceByKey()...

## Too many partitions

- framework overhead (more CPU for Spark than the job to be done)
- many CPU context-switching



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# Spark SQL

Architecture

SchemaRDD

SQL to RDD translation



# General ideas

SQL-like query **abstraction** over RDDs

Introduce schema to raw objects

SchemaRDD = RDD[Row]

Declarative vs imperative data transformations

Let's the engine optimize the query!

# Integration with Spark

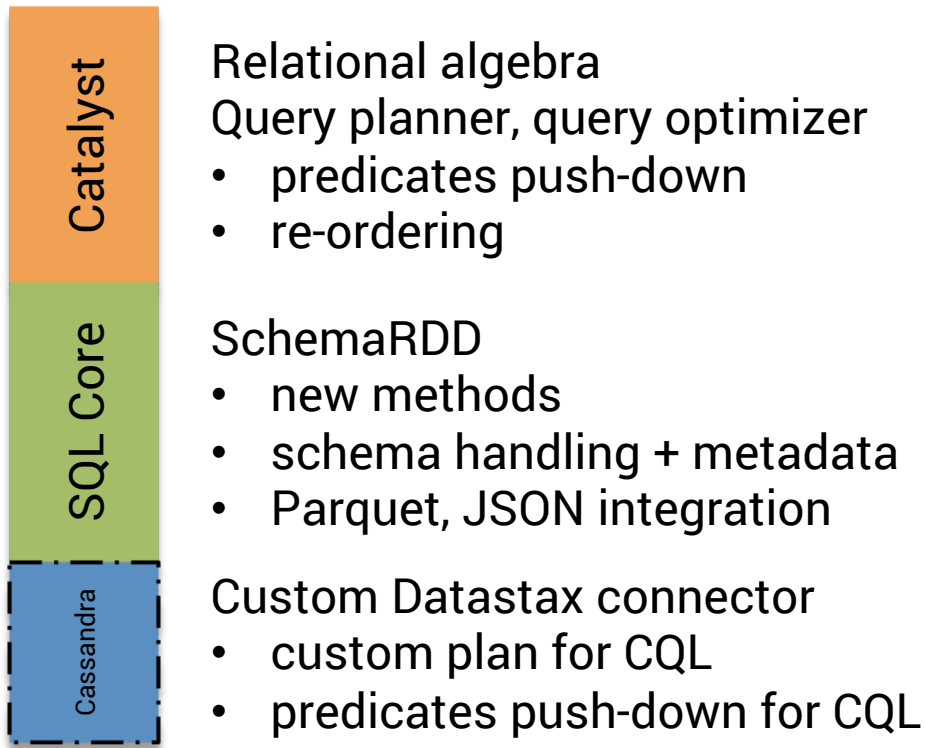


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# Architecture



# Code example

## Setup

```
val sqlContext = new org.apache.spark.sql.SQLContext(sc)
import sqlContext.createSchemaRDD
```

Data-set (can be from Parquet, Json, Cassandra, Hive, ...)

```
case class Person(name: String, age: Int)

val people = sc.textFile("people.txt").map(_.split(","))
               .map(p => Person(p(0), p(1).trim.toInt))

people.registerTempTable("people")
```

# Code example

## Query

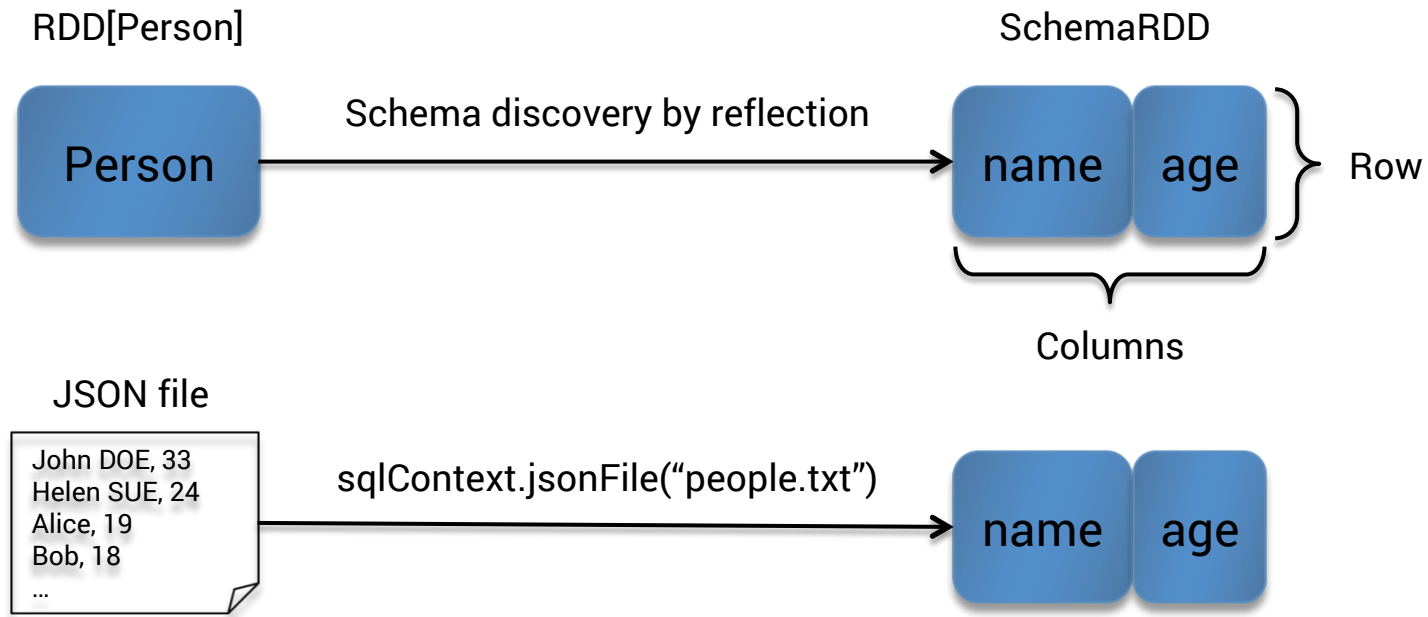
```
val teenagers: SchemaRDD = sqlContext.sql("SELECT name, age
                                           FROM people
                                           WHERE age ≥ 13 AND age ≤ 19");

// or

val teenagers: SchemaRDD = people.where('age ≥ 10).where('age ≤ 19).select('name)

teenagers.map(row => "Name : "+row(0)).collect().foreach(println)
```

# SchemaRDD



# SQL to RDD translation

## Projection & selection

```
SELECT name, age  
FROM people  
WHERE age ≥ 13 AND age ≤ 19
```



```
val people:RDD[Person]  
val teenagers:RDD[(String,Int)]  
= people  
  .filter(p => p.age ≥ 13 && p.age ≤ 19)  
  .map(p => (p.name, p.age))
```

```
SELECT name, age
```



```
.map(p => (p.name, p.age))
```

```
WHERE age ≥ 13 AND age ≤ 19
```



```
.filter(p => p.age ≥ 13 && p.age ≤ 19)
```

# SQL to RDD translation

## Joins (naive version)

```
SELECT p.name, e.content, e.date
FROM people p JOIN emails e
ON p.login = e.login
WHERE p.age ≥ 28
AND p.age ≤ 32
AND e.date ≥ '2015-01-01 00:00:00'
```



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```
val people:RDD[Person]
val emails:RDD[Email]
val p = people.map(p => (p.login, p))
val e = emails.map(e => (e.login, e))
val eavesdrop:RDD[(String,String,Date)]
= p.join(e)
    .filter{ case(login,(p,e) =>
                p.age ≥ 28 && p.age ≤ 32 &&
                e.date ≥ '2015-01-01 00:00:00'
            }
    .map{ case(login,(p,e)) =>
        (p.name, e.content, e.date)
    }
```

# SQL to RDD translation

Joins (optimized version, selection & projection push-down)

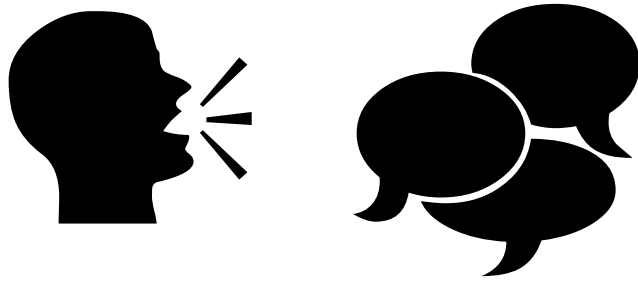
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```



```
val p = people.filter(p =>
    p.age ≥ 28 && p.age ≤ 32
)
    .map(p => (p.login, p.name))

val e = emails.filter(e =>
    e.date ≥ '2015-01-01 00:00:00'
)
    .map(e => (e.login, (e.content, e.date)))

val eavesdrop: RDD[(String, String, Date)]
    = p.join(e)
        .map{case (login, (name, (content, date))) =>
            (name, content, date)
        }
```



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# Spark Streaming

General ideas

Streaming example

Window-based reduce

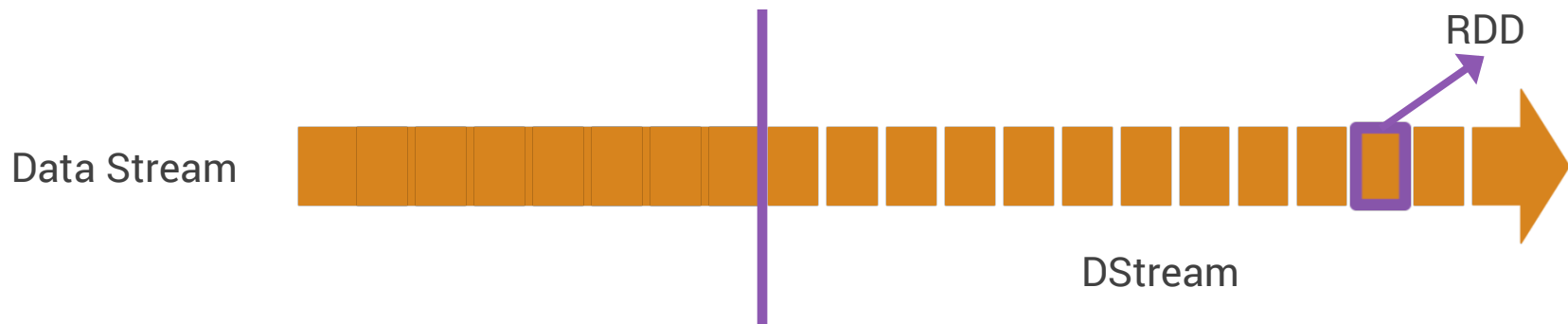
Outputs

# General ideas

Micro batching, each batch = RDD

Fault tolerant, exactly-once processing

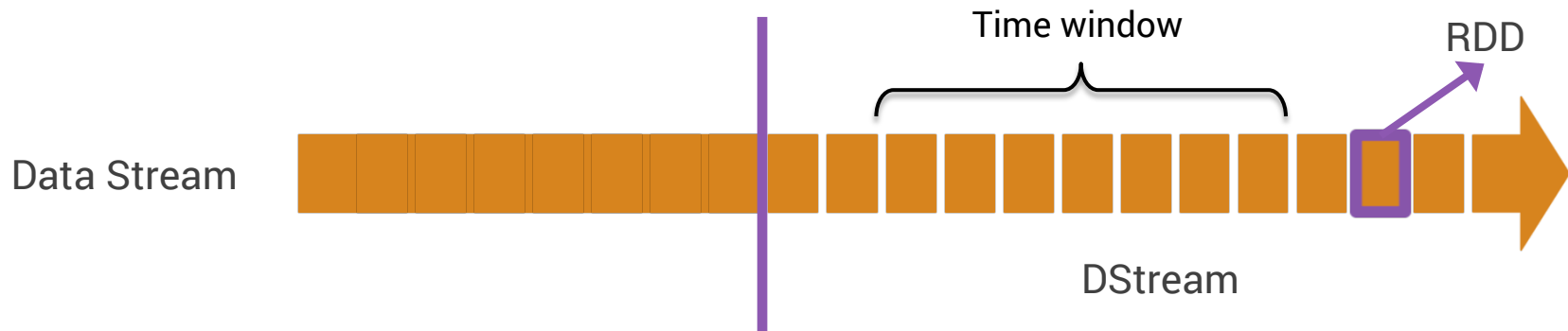
Unified stream and batch processing framework



# General ideas

Base unit = time window

Enable computations by time window



# Streaming Example

## Set up

```
val ssc = new SparkStreamContext("local", "test")
ssc.setBatchDuration(Seconds(1))
```

## Words stream

```
val words = ssc.createNetworkStream("http://...")
val ones = words.map(w => (w, 1))
val freqs = ones.reduceByKey{ case (count1, count2) => count1 + count2}

freqs.print()

// Start the stream computation
ssc.run
```

# Window-based reduce

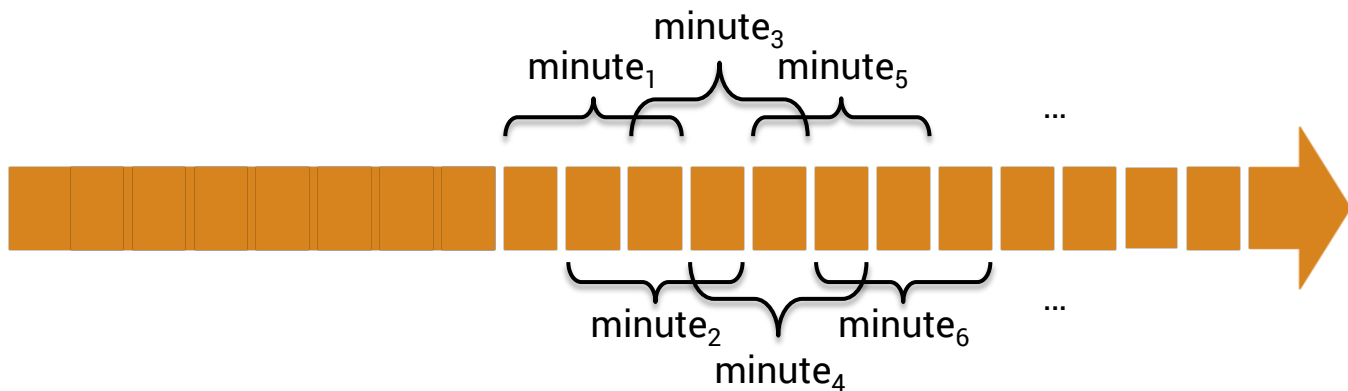
```
val freqs = ones.reduceByKey { case (count1, count2) => count1 + count2}  
val freqs_60s = freqs.window(Seconds(60), Second(1))  
    .reduceByKey { case (count1, count2) => count1 + count2}
```

// or

```
val freqs_60s = ones.reduceByKeyAndWindow(couple => couple._1+couple._2,  
    Seconds(60), Seconds(1))
```



# Window-based reduce



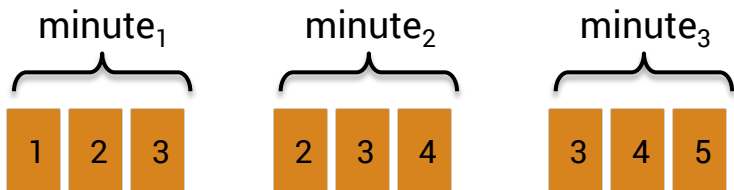
- keeps whole time window RDDs in memory (automatic caching)
- compute sum using all RDDs in the time windows

# Optimized window-based reduce

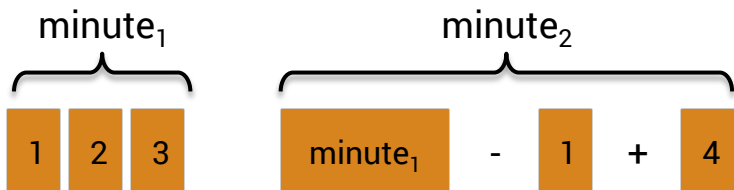
```
val freqs_60s = ones
    .reduceByKeyAndWindow(couple =>
        couple._1+couple._2, // reduce
        couple => couple._1 - couple._2, //inverse reduce
        Seconds(60), Seconds(1))
```

# Optimized window-based reduce

Non optimized computation



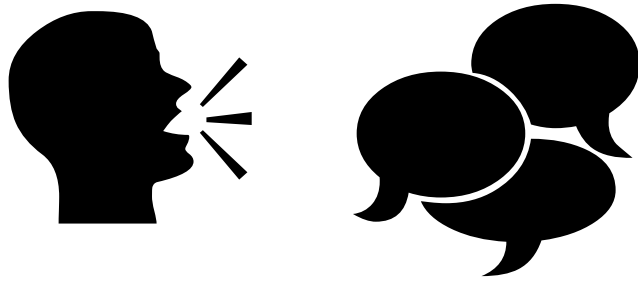
Optimized with inverse reduce



`inverseReduce(minute1, RDD1).reduce(minute1, RDD4)`

# Outputs

Actions	Description
<code>print(): Unit</code>	Prints first ten elements of every batch of data in a DStream on the driver. This is useful for development and debugging
<code>saveAsTextFiles(prefix: String, suffix: String= ""): Unit</code>	Save this DStream's contents as a text files. The file name at each batch interval is generated based on prefix and suffix: " <code>prefix-TIME_IN_MS[.suffix]</code> "
<code>saveAsHadoopFiles(prefix: String, suffix: String= ""): Unit</code>	Save this DStream's contents as a Hadoop files. The file name at each batch interval is generated based on prefix and suffix: " <code>prefix-TIME_IN_MS[.suffix]</code> "
<code>foreachRDD(f: RDD[A] =&gt; Unit): Unit</code>	Apply a function to each RDD in this DStream
...	...



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# Thank You



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