

# Create MTG Trading Card Database By API

Practical Exam



# Goal

magicthegathering.io provides up-to-date information regarding all MTG trading cards available:

- <https://docs.magicthegathering.io/>
- E.g. <https://api.magicthegathering.io/v1/cards/4711>



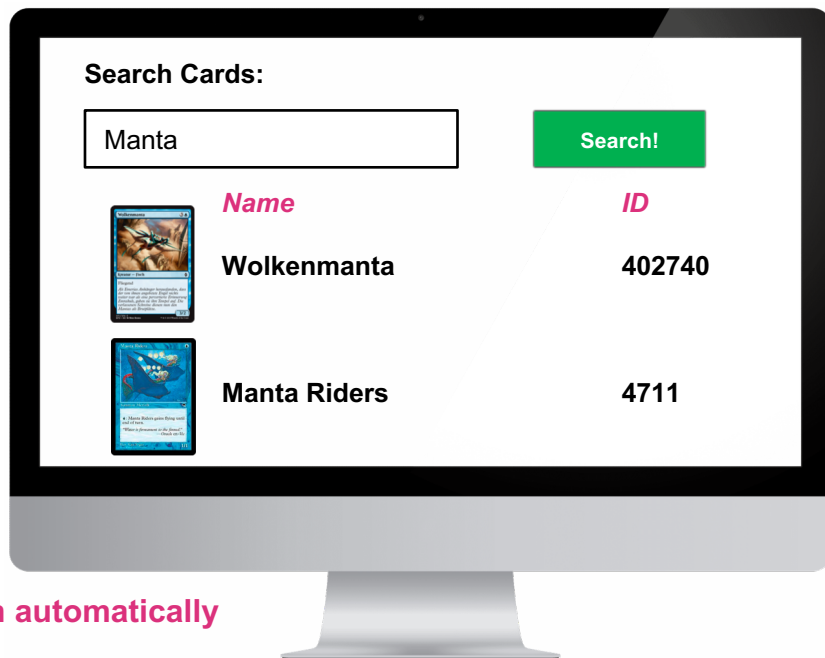
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    [...]
  }
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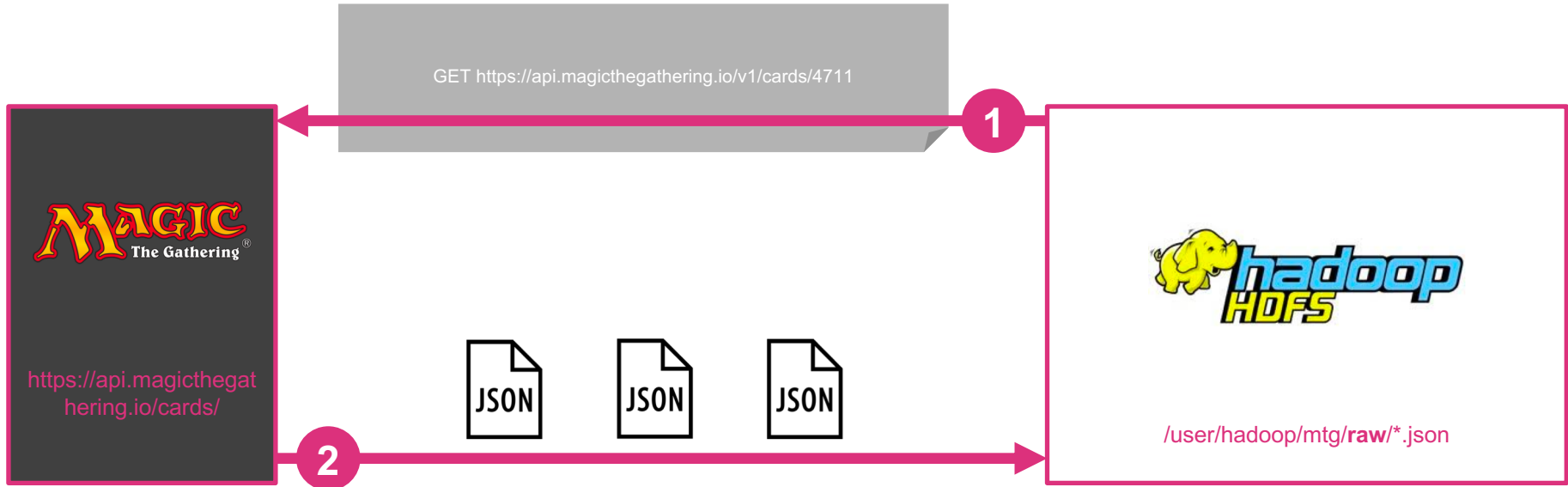
We want to make use of this data to build a searchable database of all MTG trading cards.

## Workflow:

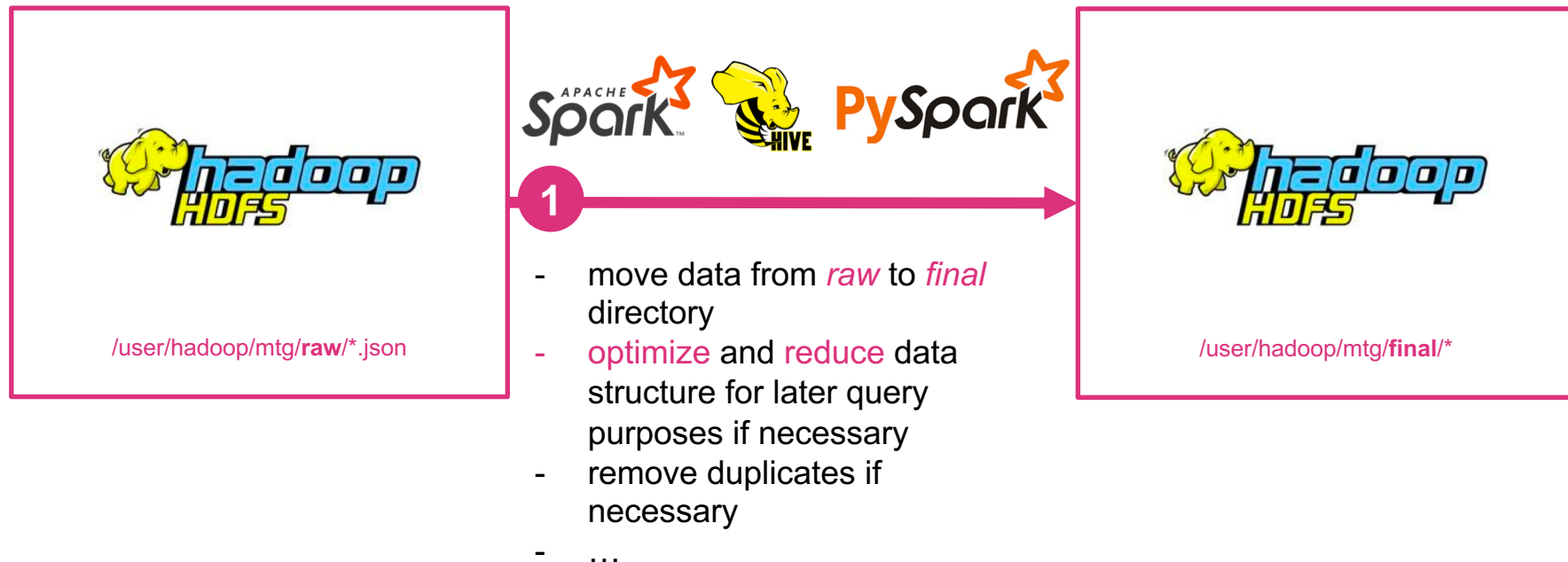
- **Gather data** from api.magicthegathering.io
- **Save raw data** (*JSON files*) to HDFS
- **Optimize, reduce** and **clean raw data** and save it to **final** directory on HDFS
- **Export** MTG data to **end-user database** (e.g. MySQL, MongoDB...)
- Provide a simple **HTML Frontend** which is able to:
  - read from end-user database
  - process user input (card name, text or artist)
  - **display search results**
- The whole data workflow **must be implemented** within an ETL **workflow tool** (e.g. Pentaho Data Integration or Airflow) and **run automatically**



# Dataflow: 1. Get MTG Data



# Dataflow: 2. Raw To Final Transfer



# Dataflow: 3. Enhance Data And Save Results



/user/hadoop/mtg/final/\*



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- enhance data (e.g. for later querying)
- use Hive, Spark or PySpark
- save everything to a end-user database (e.g. MySQL, MongoDB)

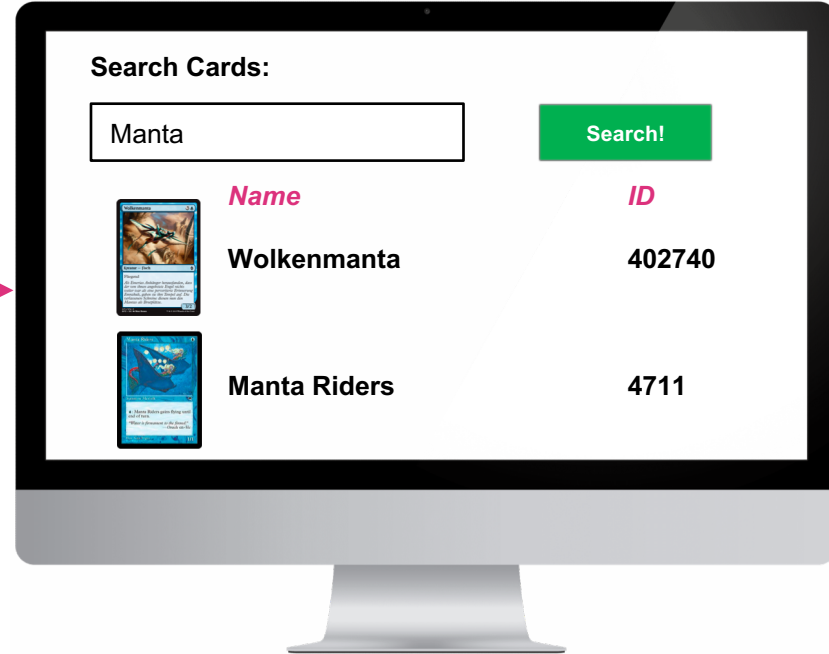




# Dataflow: 4. Provide Simple Web Interface



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