Delta Lake

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Open-source storage framework
that brings reliability to data lakes

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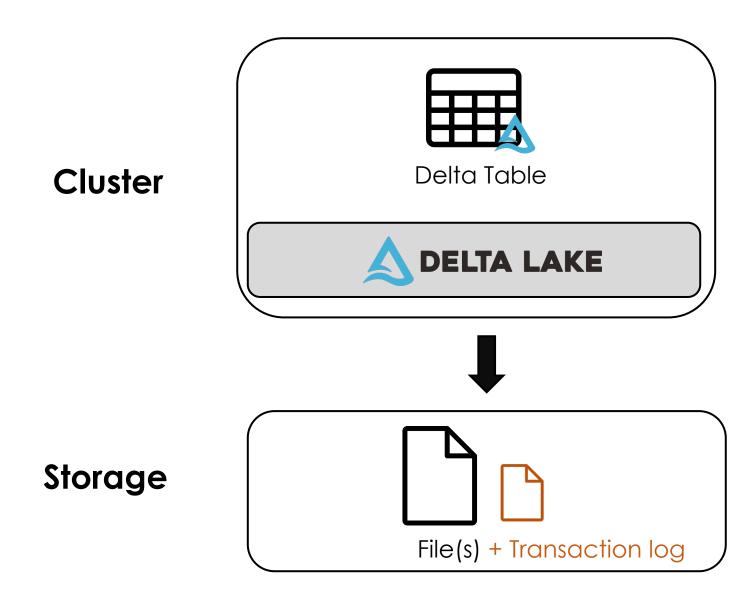
- Open-source technology
- Storage framework/layer

Enabling building Lakehouse

Is Not

- Proprietary technology
- Storage format/medium

Data warehouse/Database service



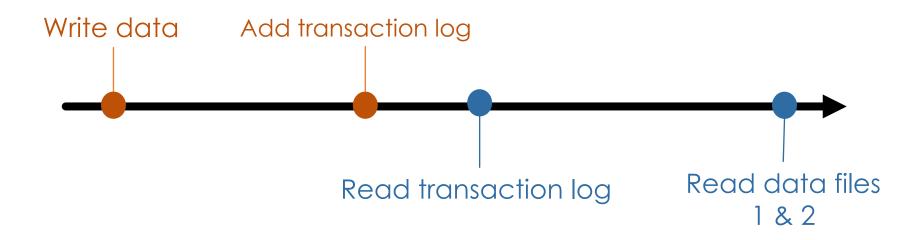
Transaction log (Delta log)

- Ordered records of every transaction performed on the table
- Single Source of Truth
- ▶ JSON file contains commit information:
 - Operation performed + Predicates used
 - data files affected (added/removed)

Writes/Reads







Data Files

File 1.parquet File 2.parquet

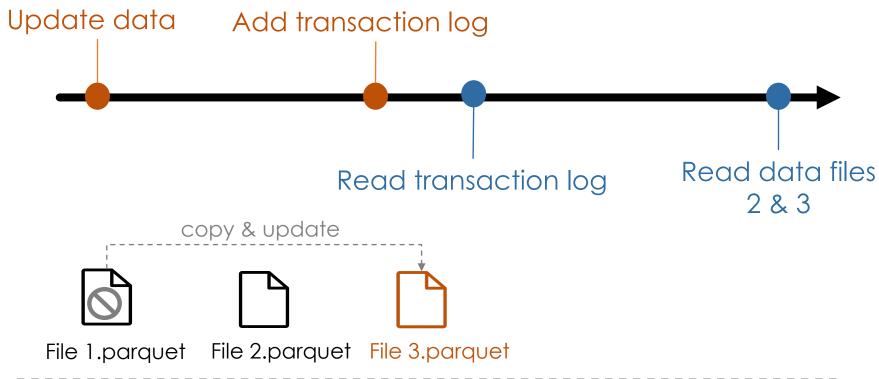
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000.json

Updates







Data Files

_delta_log



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Simultaneous Writes/Reads

Write data file 4





Read data file Read transaction log 2 & 3 File 2.parquet File 3.parquet File 4.parquet File 1.parquet 001.json 000.json 002.json

Add transaction log

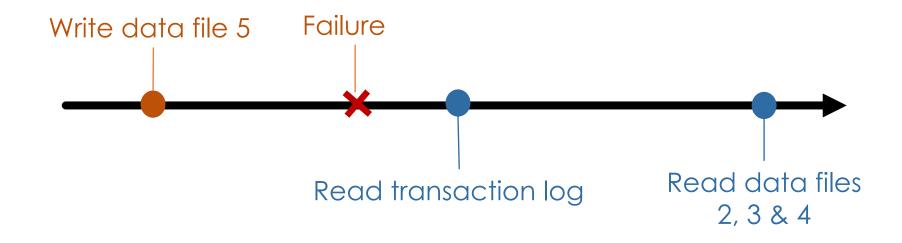
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Failed Writes

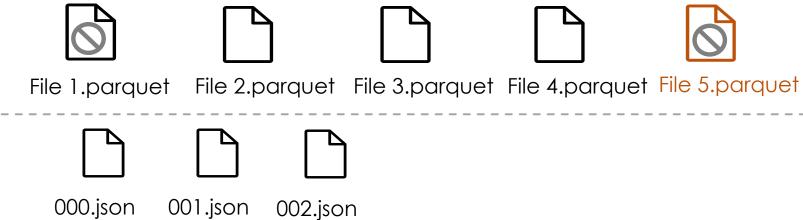






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Delta Lake Advantages

- Brings ACID transactions to object storage
- Handle scalable metadata

- ► Full audit trail of all changes
- ▶ Builds upon standard data formats: Parquet + Json