Kafka producers

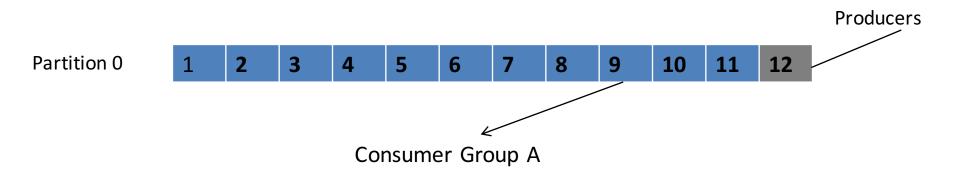
Kafka Producer/Consumer Details

- Producers write to and Consumers read from Topic(s)
- * Topic associated with a log which is data structure on disk
- Producer(s) append Records at end of Topic log
- Topic Log consist of Partitions
 - Spread to multiple files on multiple nodes
- Consumers read from Kafka at their own cadence
 - Each Consumer (Consumer Group) tracks offset from where they left off reading
- Partitions can be distributed on different machines in a cluster
 - high performance with horizontal scalability and failover with replication

Kafka Producers

- Producers send records to topics
- Producer picks which partition to send record to per topic
 - Can be done in a round-robin
 - Can be based on priority
 - Typically based on key of record
 - Kafka default partitioner for Java uses hash of keys to choose partitions, or a round-robin strategy if no key
- Important: Producer picks partition

Kafka producers and consumers



Producers are writing at Offset 12 Consumer Group A is Reading from Offset 9.

Kafka Producers

- Producers write at their own cadence so order of Records cannot be guaranteed across partitions
- Producer configures consistency level (ack=0, ack=all, ack=1)
- Producers pick the partition such that Record/messages goes to a given same partition based on the data
 - Example have all the events of a certain 'employee Id' go to same partition
 - If order within a partition is not needed, a 'Round Robin' partition strategy can be used so Records are evenly distributed across partitions.

Producer Review

- Can Producers occasionally write faster than consumers?
- What is the default partition strategy for Producers without using a key?
- What is the default partition strategy for Producers using a key?
- What picks which partition a record is sent to?

Kafka Consumers

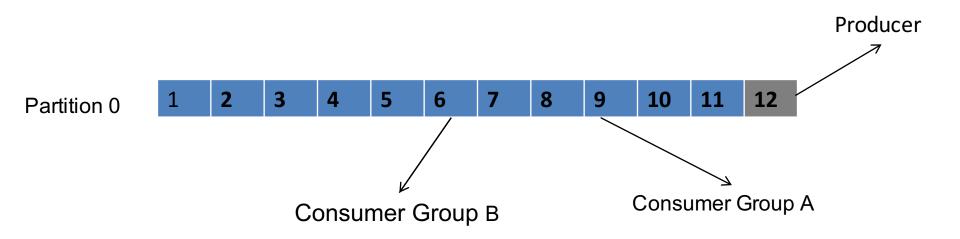
Kafka Consumer Groups

- Consumers are grouped into a Consumer Group
 - Consumer group has a unique id
 - Each consumer group is a subscriber
 - Each consumer group maintains its own offset
 - Multiple subscribers = multiple consumer groups
 - Each has different function: one might delivering records to micro services while another is streaming records to Hadoop
- A Record is delivered to one Consumer in a Consumer Group
- Each consumer in consumer groups takes records and only one consumer in group gets same record
- Consumers in Consumer Group *load balance* record consumption

Kafka Consumer Load Share

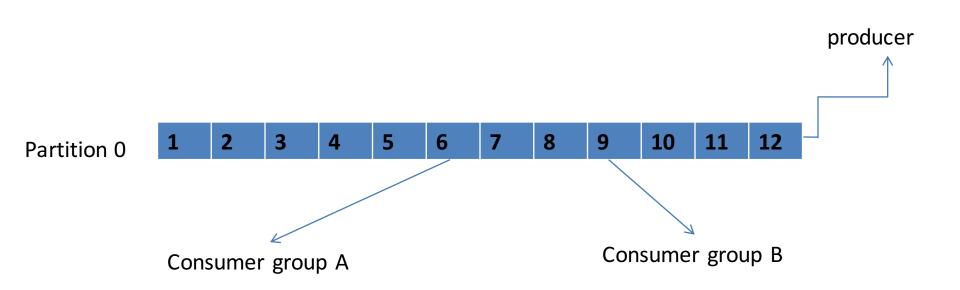
- Kafka Consumer consumption divides partitions over consumers in a Consumer Group
- Each Consumer is exclusive consumer of a "fair share" of partitions
- This is Load Balancing
- Consumer membership in Consumer Group is handled by the Kafka protocol dynamically
- If new Consumers join Consumer group, it gets a share of partitions
- If Consumer dies, its partitions are split among remaining live Consumers in Consumer Group

Kafka Consumer Groups



Consumers remember offset where they left off.

Consumers groups each have their own offset per partition



Consumer groups remember offset where they left off. Consumers groups each have their own offset.

Producer writing to offset 12 of partition while... consumer Group A is reading from offset 6.

Consumer Group B is reading from offset 9.

Kafka Consumer Groups Processing

- How does Kafka divide up topic so multiple Consumers in a Consumer Group can process a topic?
- You group consumers into consumers group with a group id
- Consumers with same id belong in same Consumer Group
- One Kafka broker becomes group coordinator for Consumer Group
 - assigns partitions when new members arrive (older clients would talk direct to ZooKeeper now broker does coordination)
 - or reassign partitions when group members leave or topic changes (config / meta-data change
- When Consumer group is created, offset set according to reset policy of topic

Kafka Consumer Failover

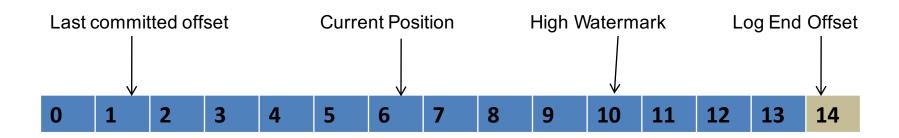
- Consumers notify broker when it successfully processed a record
 - advances offset
- If Consumer fails before sending commit offset to Kafka broker,
 - different Consumer can continue from the last committed offset
 - some Kafka records could be reprocessed
 - at least once behaviour
 - messages should be idempotent

Kafka Consumer Offsets and Recovery

- ❖ Kafka stores offsets in topic called "consumer _ offset"
- **❖** Uses Topic Log Compaction
- ❖ When a consumer has processed data, it should commit offsets
- ❖If consumer process dies, it will be able to start up and start reading where it left off based on offset stored in "consumer _ offset"

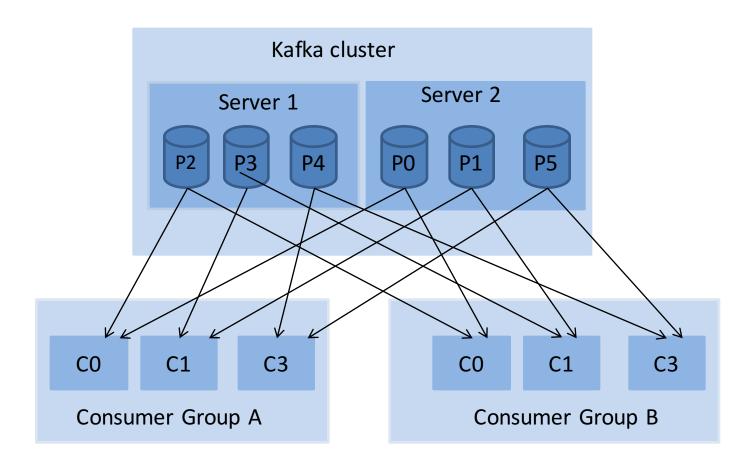
Kafka Consumer: What can be consumed?

- * "Log end offset" is offset of last record written to log partition and where Producers write to next
- "High watermark" is offset of last record successfully replicated to all partitions followers
- Consumer only reads up to "high watermark".
 Consumer can't read un-replicated data



Consumer to Partition Cardinality

- Only a single Consumer from the same Consumer Group can access a single Partition
- If Consumer in a Group count exceeds Partition count:
 - Extra Consumers remain idle; can be used for failover
- If more Partitions than Consumer in a Group instances,
 - Some Consumers will read from more than one partition



Multi-threaded Consumers

- You can run more than one Consumer in a JVM process
- If processing records takes a while, a single Consumer can run multiple threads to process records
 - Harder to manage offset for each Thread/Task
 - One Consumer runs multiple threads
 - 2 messages on same partitions being processed by two different threads
 - Hard to guarantee order without threads coordination
- PREFER: Multiple Consumers can run each processing record batches in their own thread
 - Easier to manage offset
 - Each Consumer runs in its thread
 - Easier to mange failover (each process runs X num of Consumer threads

Consumer Review

- What is a consumer group?
- Does each consumer have its own offset?
- When can a consumer see a record?
- What happens if there are more consumers than partitions?
- What happens if you run multiple consumers in many thread in the same JVM?

- Run producer from command line
- Run consumer from command line

```
1 #!/usr/bin/env bash
2 cd ~/kafka-training
3
4 kafka/bin/kafka-console-producer.sh --broker-list \
1 localhost:9092 --topic my-topic
```

Run Kafka Consumer

```
1 #!/usr/bin/env bash
2 cd ~/kafka-training
3
4 kafka/bin/kafka-console-consumer.sh --bootstrap-server localhost:9092 \
--topic my-topic --from-beginning
```

Running Kafka Producer and Consumer

```
new-employees
                                 Last login: Sat May 13 13:57:09 on ttys004
~/kafka-training/lab1/solution
                                 ~/kafka-training/lab1/solution
$ ./start-producer-console.sh
                                 $ ./start-consumer-console.sh
This is message 1
                                 Message 4
This is message 2
                                 This is message 2
This is message 3
                                 This is message 1
Message 4
                                 This is message 3
                                 Message 5
Message 5
Message 6
                                 Message 6
Message 7
                                 Message 7
```

Kafka Single Node Review

- What server do you run first?
- What tool do you use to create a topic?
- What tool do you use to see topics?
- What tool did we use to send messages on the command line?
- What tool did we use to view messages in a topic?
- Why were the messages coming out of order?
- How could we get the messages to come in order from the consumer?

Lab: Basic Kafka Operations - CLI (Producer & Consumer) - 30 Mins