Whirlpool

Data Acquisition using N-node Distributed Web Crawler

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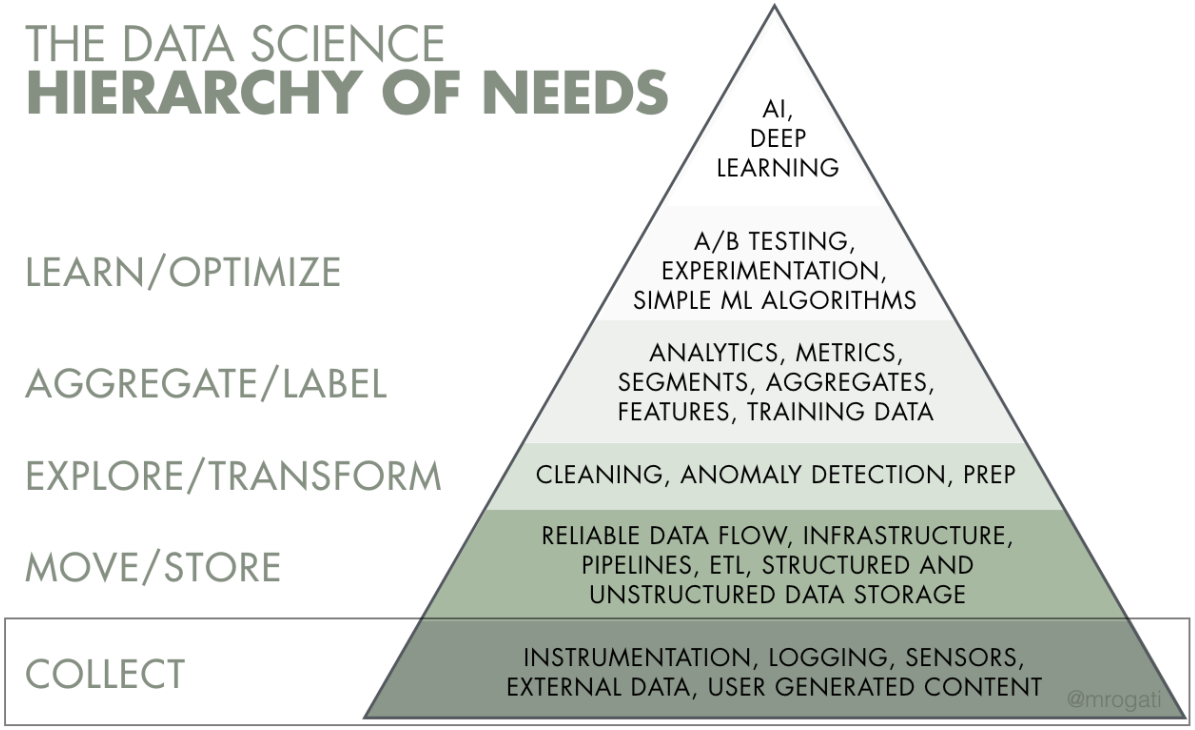
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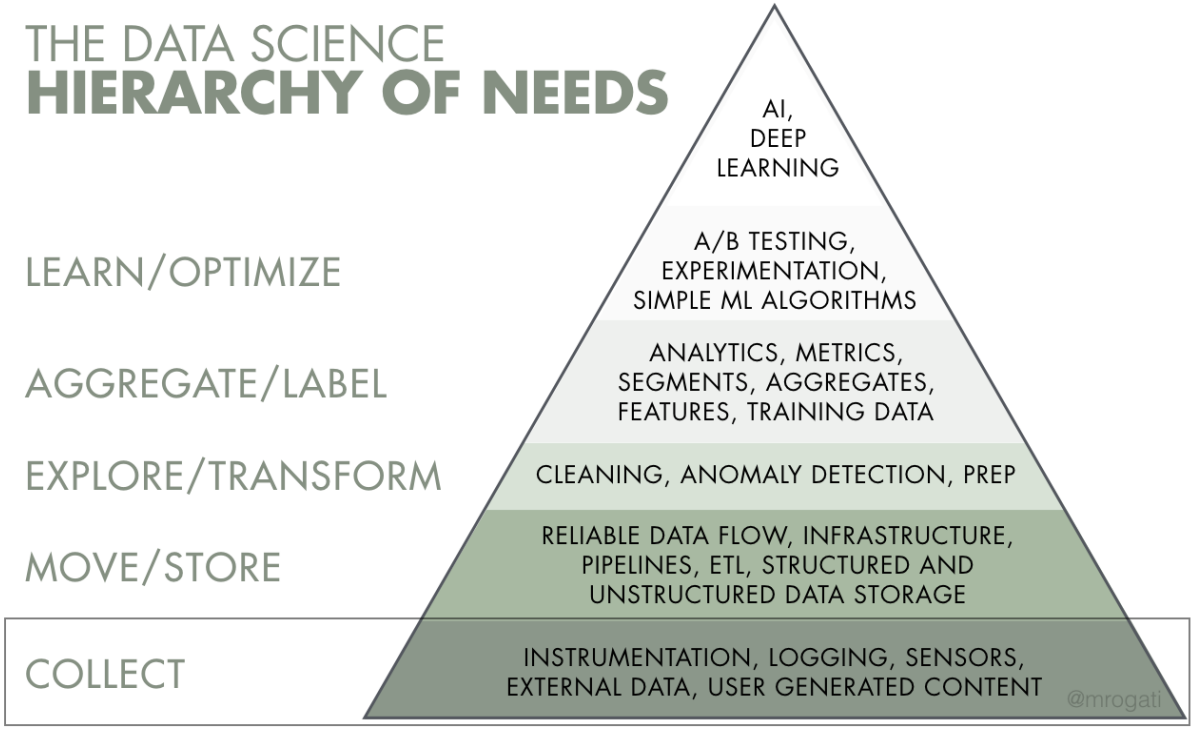

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Contributions

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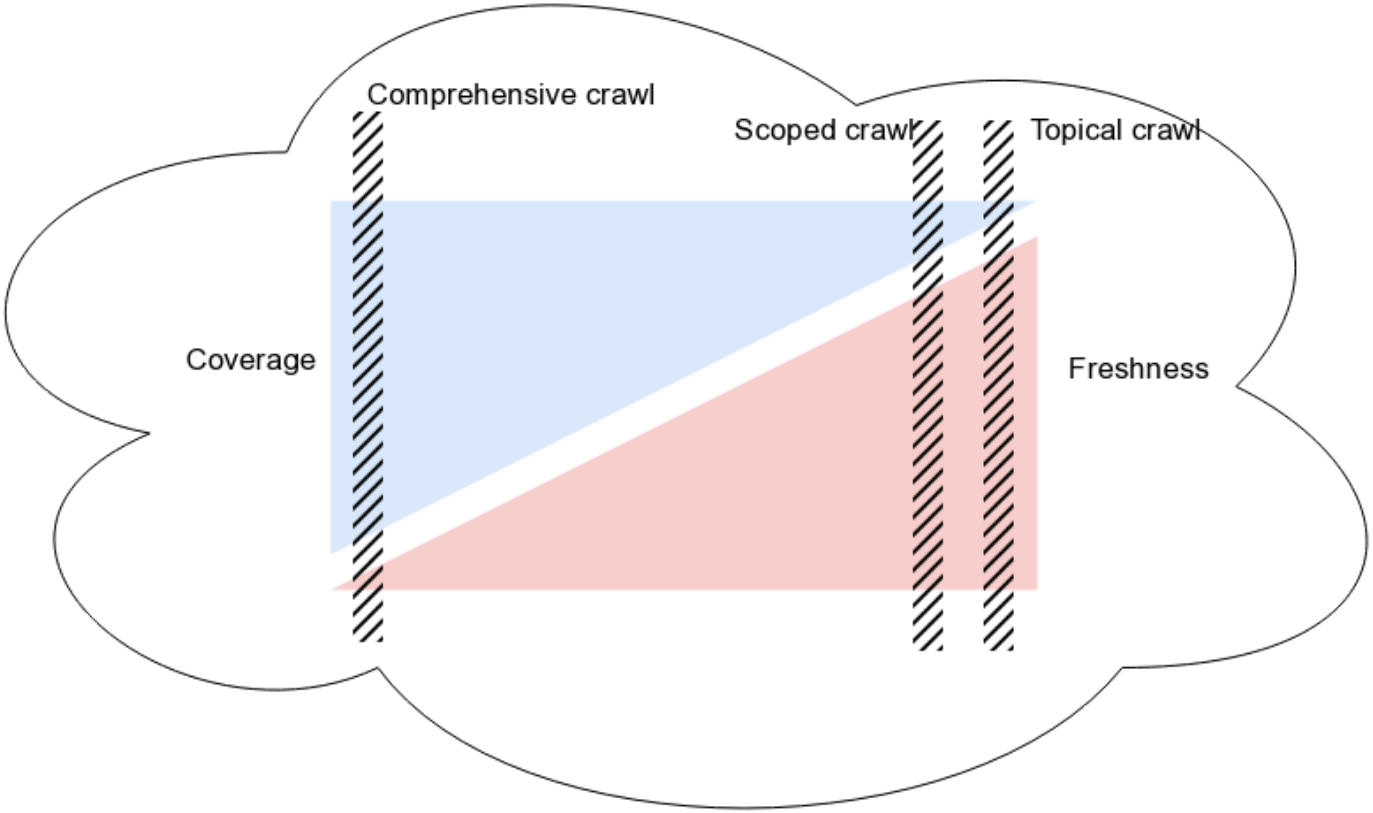
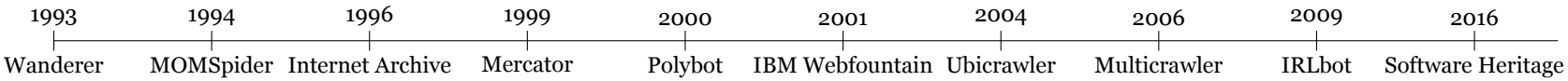
Crawler characteristics & history

Coverage & Freshness



Seedlist

Web crawlers (1990 - 2019)



Mercator 1999 (Heydon & Najork)

basic crawling algorithm

Let I $\leftarrow$ {1,2,3,4,5} such that seed set S = $\{U_i |$ i $\in$ I$\}$
$U_f \leftarrow$ S; where U_f is a Frontier queue
procedure Spider(U_f)
    while $U_f \neq \emptyset$ **do**
        $u \leftarrow \text{Pop}(U_f)$
        $p \leftarrow \text{Fetch}(u)$
        $T \leftarrow \exists p\ [\{\text{Extract}(p, t) \mid t \text{ is a text }\}]$
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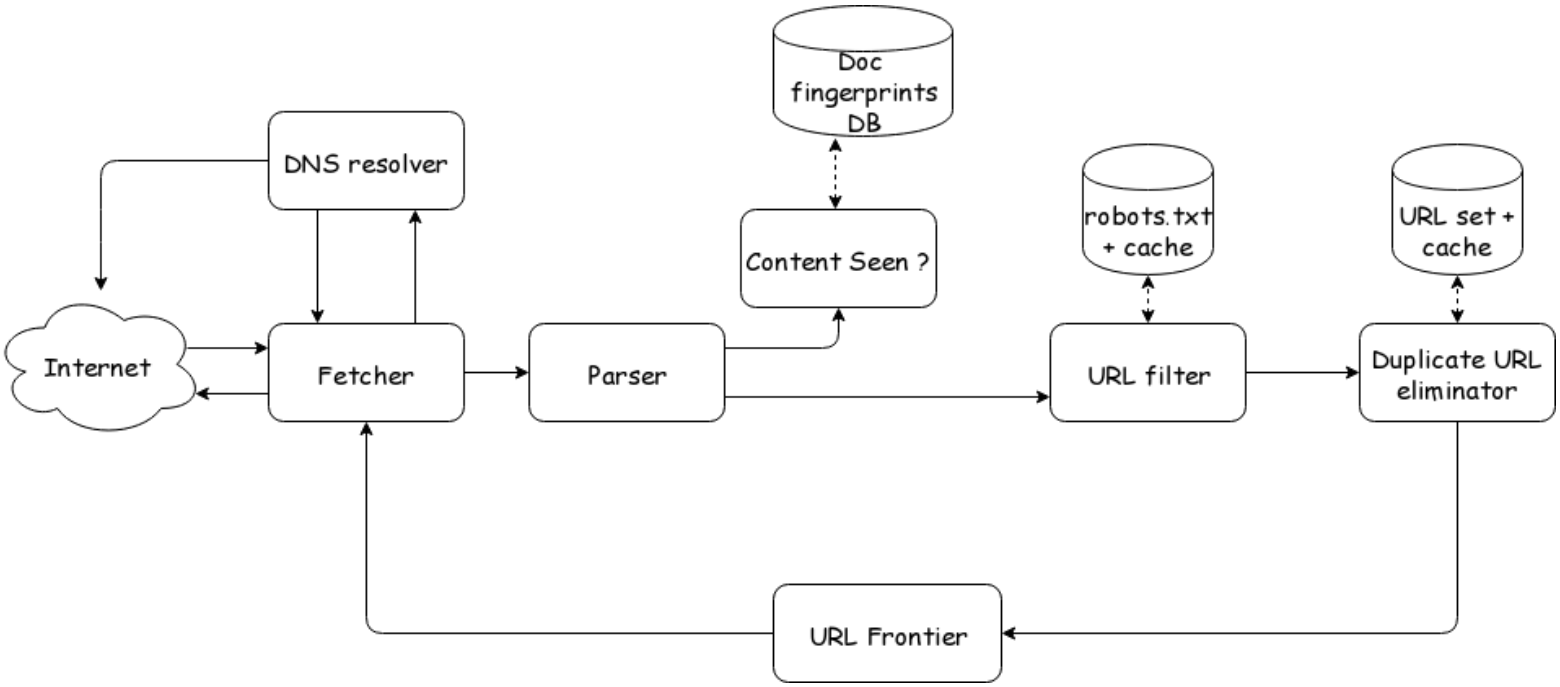

Figure: Mercator building blocks (Heydon & Najork)

Mercator: URL filter

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User-agent: *
Allow: /
Disallow: /unsubscribe
Disallow: /job/track-pageview
Disallow: /candidate/
Disallow: /alert-job/
Disallow: /facebook/
Disallow: /amazon/
Disallow: /job/track-apply-click
Disallow: /job/monster-apply-request
Disallow: /?search=
Disallow: /geo/job_title
Disallow: /blog/wp-admin/
Disallow: /contact/zip-resume
Disallow: /resume-database/preview-iframe
Disallow: /admin
Disallow: /login/ # want the main login page allowed, but not pages under /login/
Disallow: /mu
Disallow: /trk
Disallow: /record-event
Disallow: /events
Disallow: /apply/ # want apply allowed, but not pages under /apply/
Disallow: /eclk/
Disallow: /pixel/
Disallow: /chat/get-chat-auth-token
Disallow: /ajax/

# Block URLs that are likely added by js clipboard library
Disallow: /jobs/*/closest$
Disallow: /jobs/*/clipboard-action$
Disallow: /jobs/*/is$

# Block temporary pages of the go seo app
Disallow: /svc/seo/

User-agent: 008
Disallow: /

User-agent: OmniExplorer_Bot
Disallow: /
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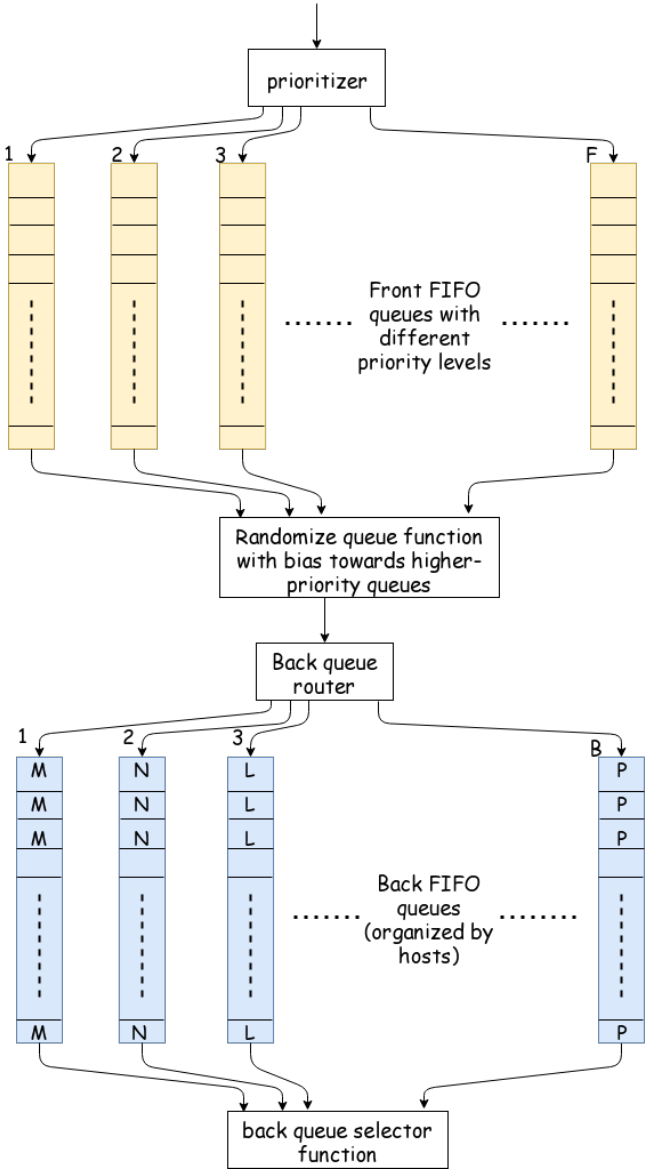
URL Frontier Scheme



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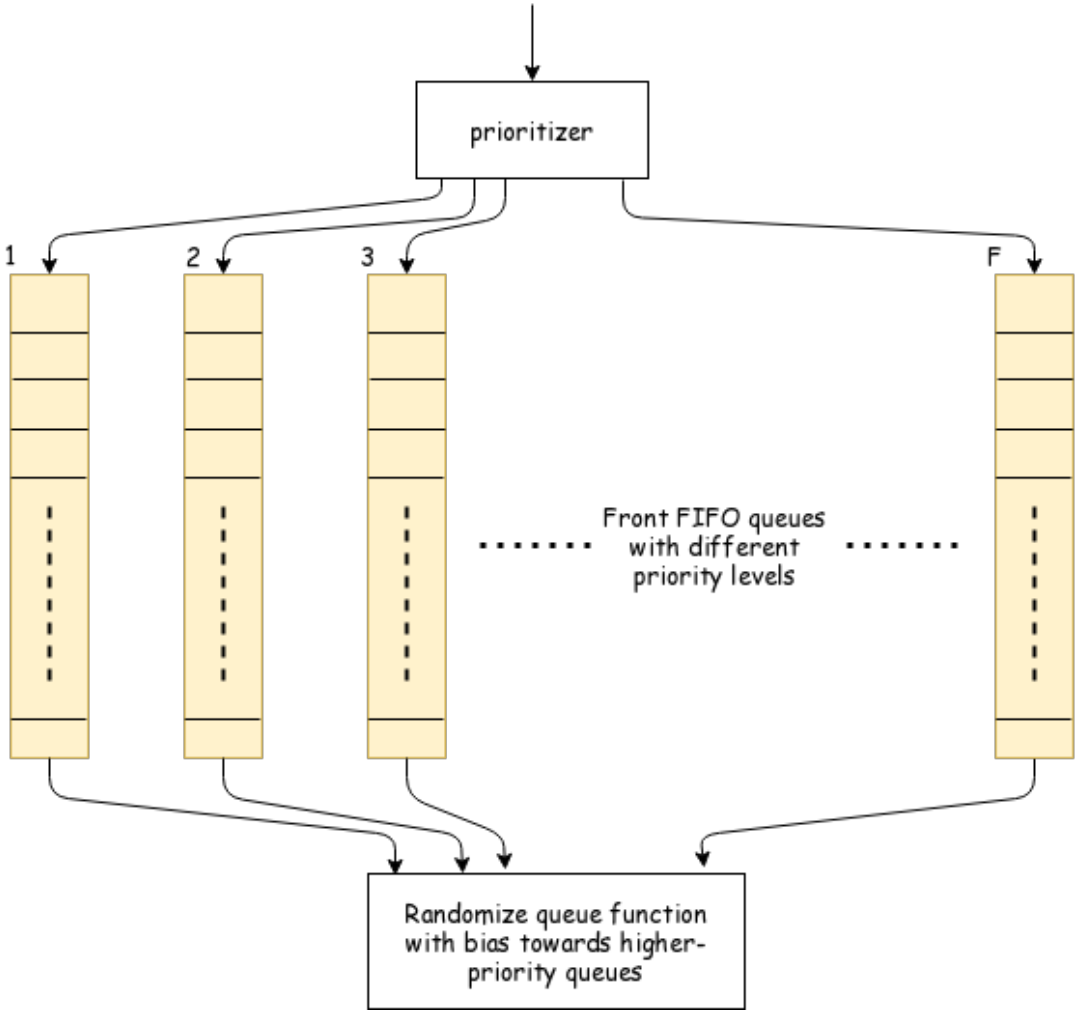
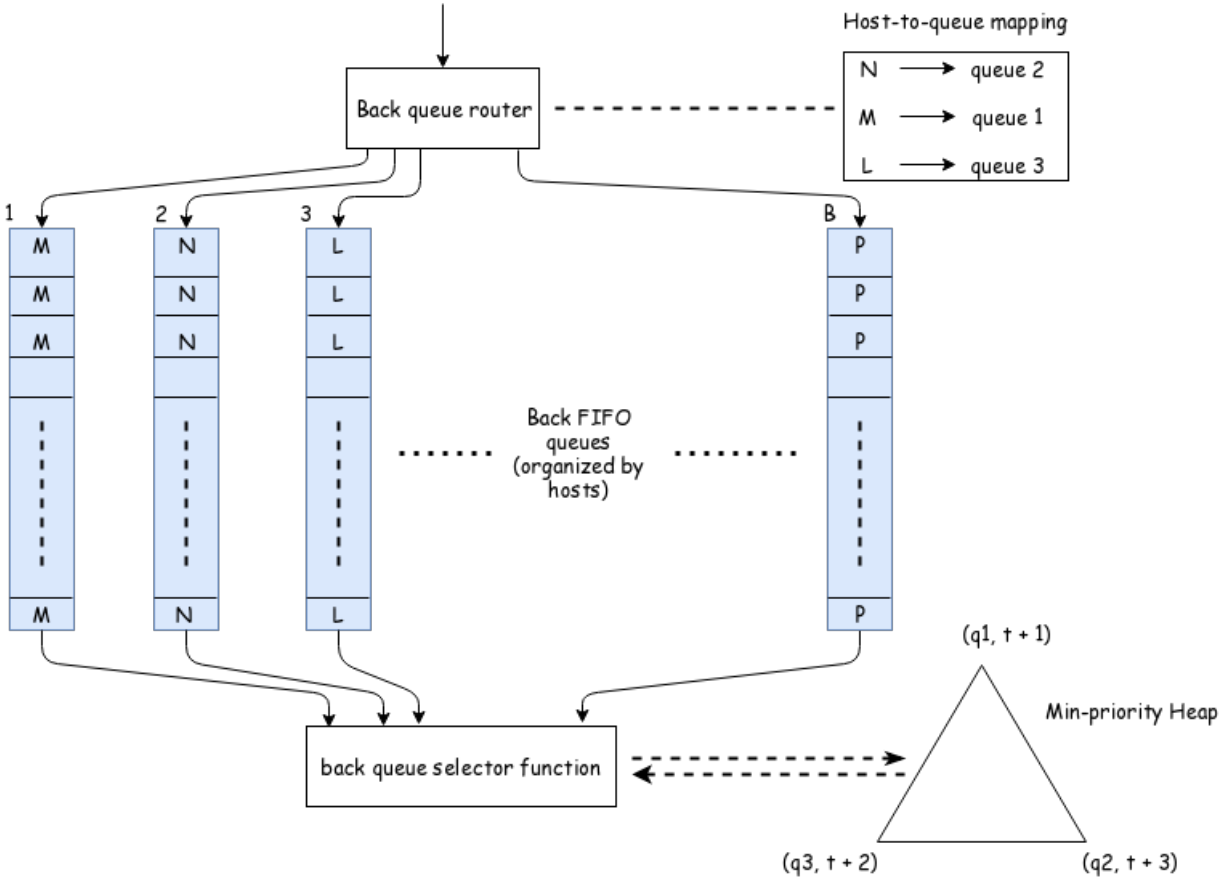
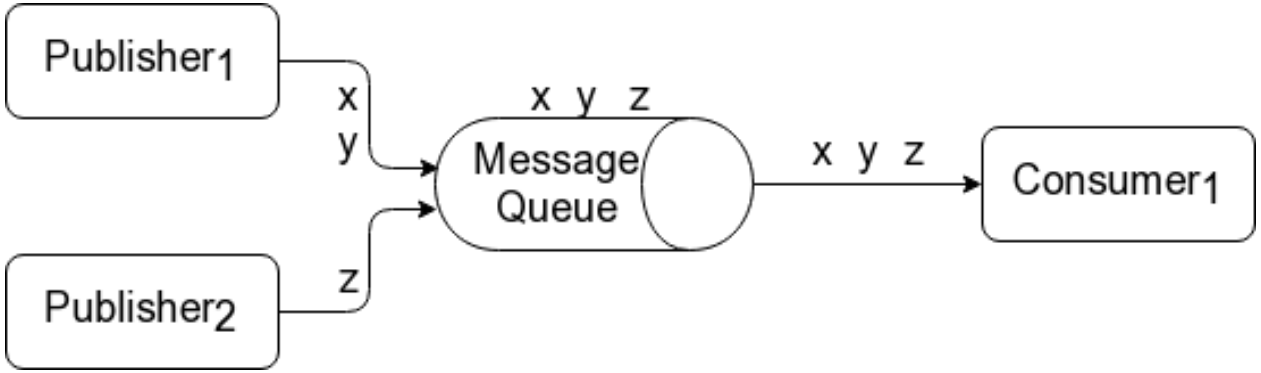


Back queue (Frontier Queue)



Whirlpool: Event-driven architecture

Message Queue(MQ)



Message buses

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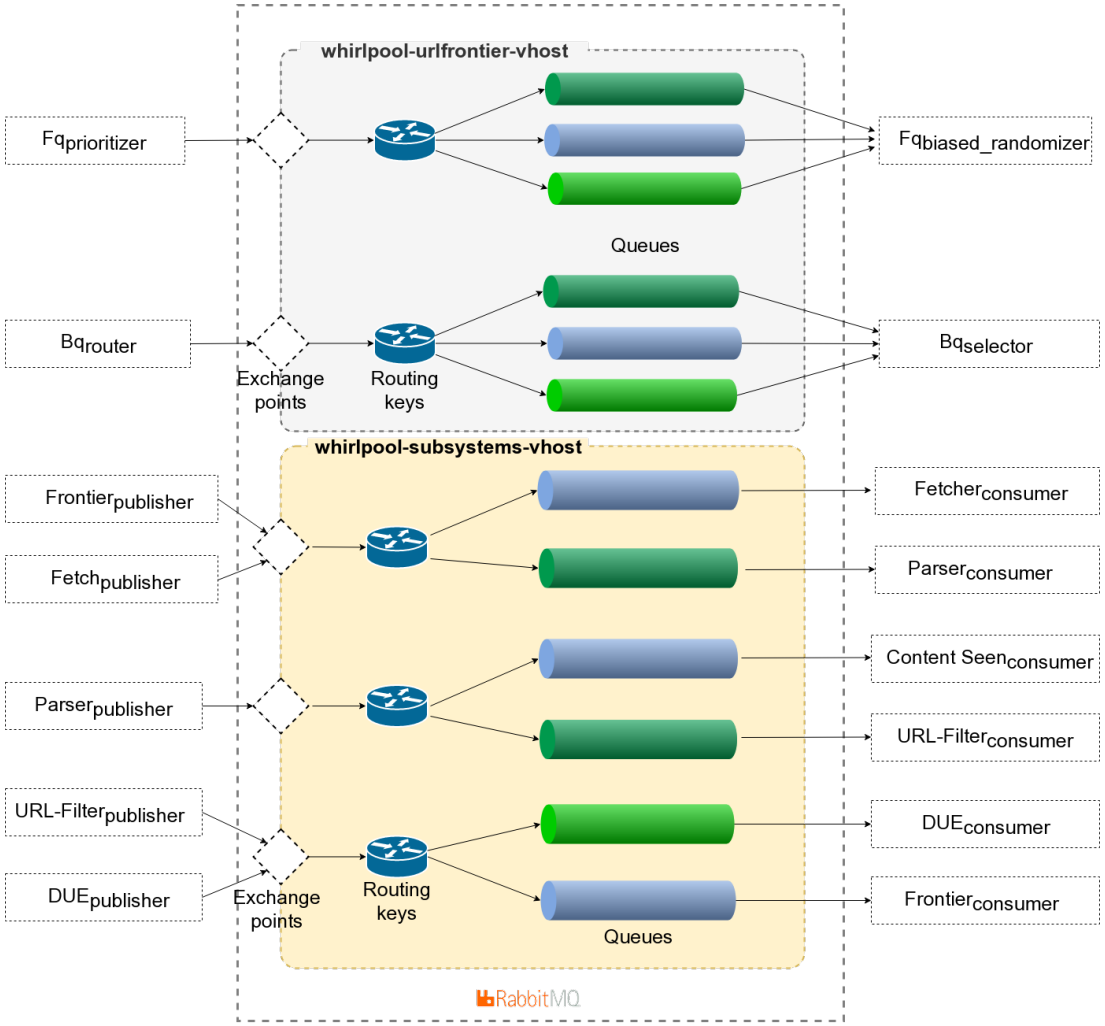

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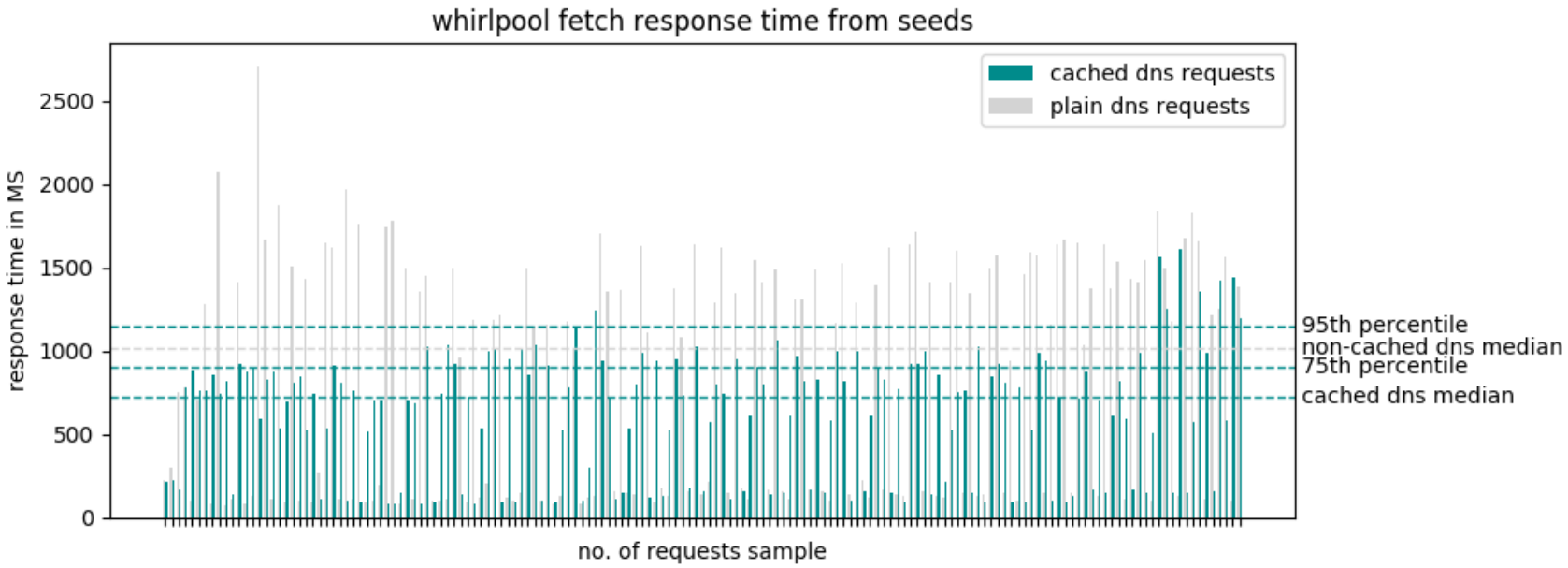

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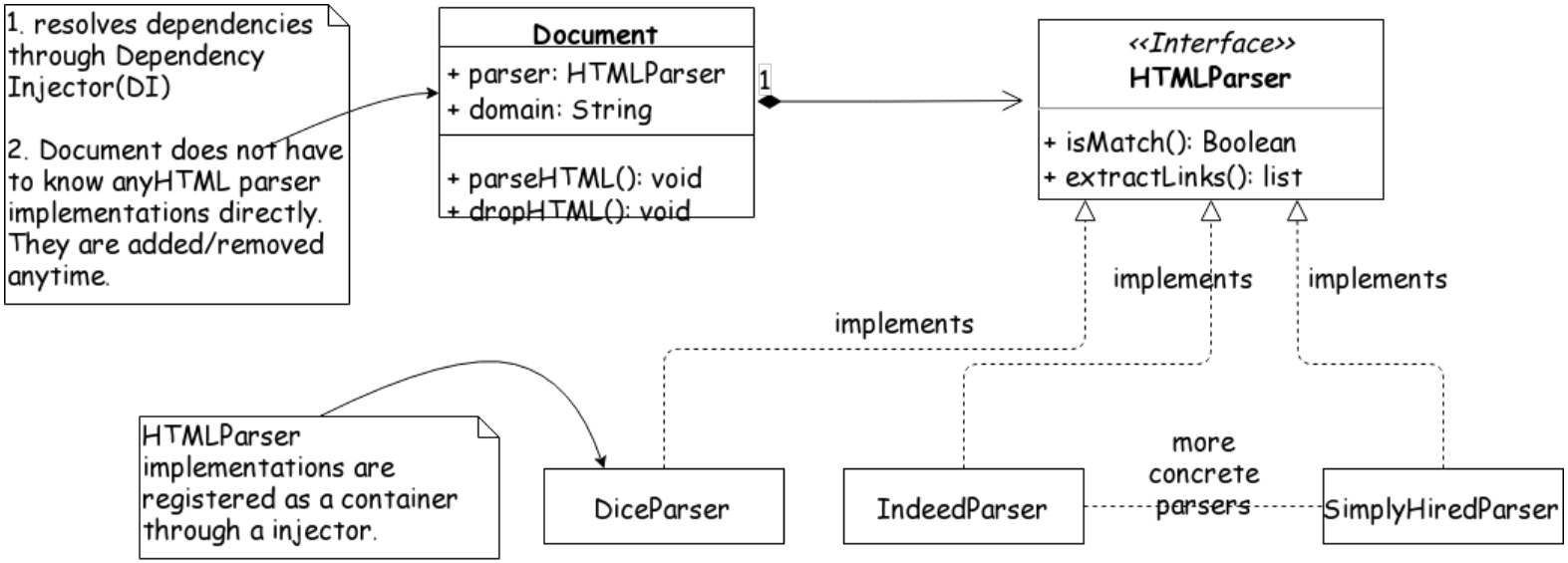
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+ parseHTML(): void
+ dropHTML(): void
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+ isMatch(): Boolean
+ extractLinks(): list
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more concrete parsers
SimplyHiredParser

Whirlpool: Deduplication

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Bloom filter

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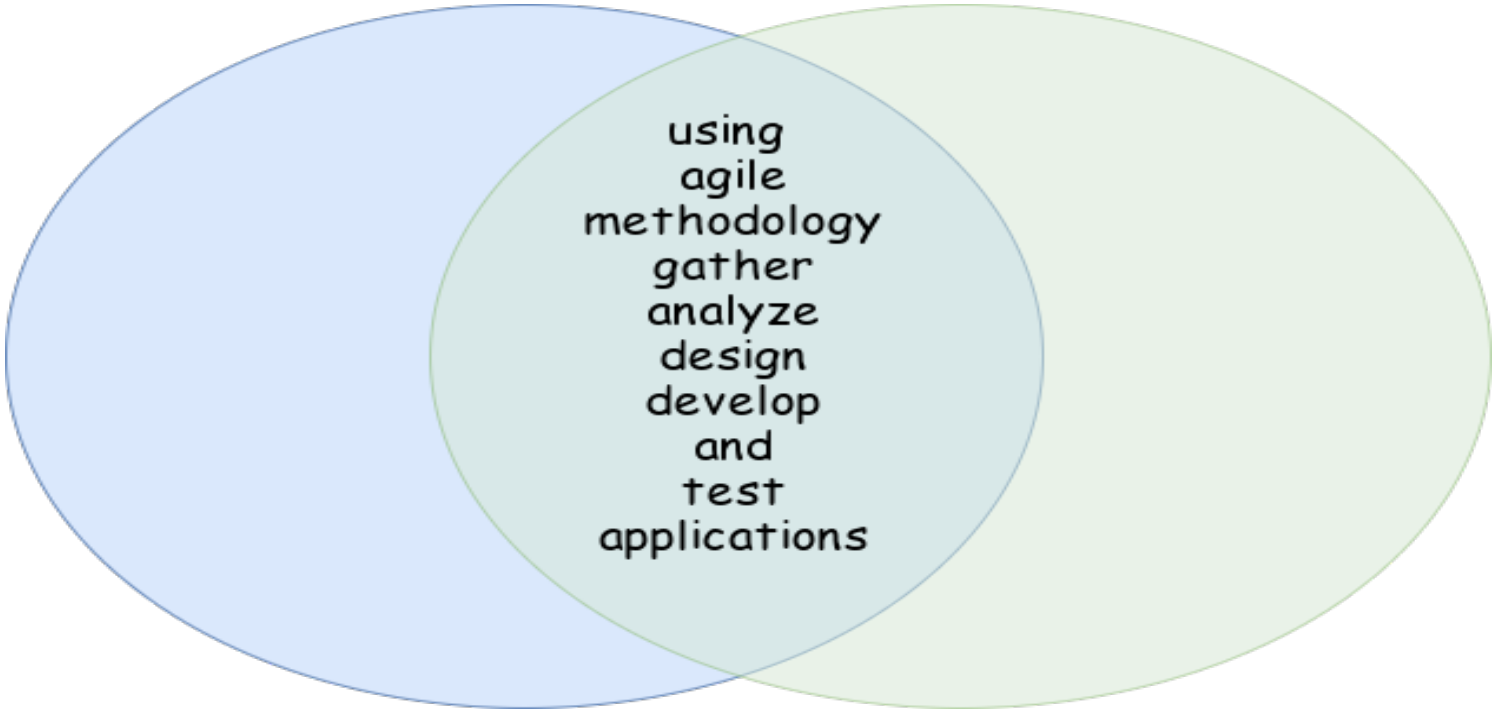

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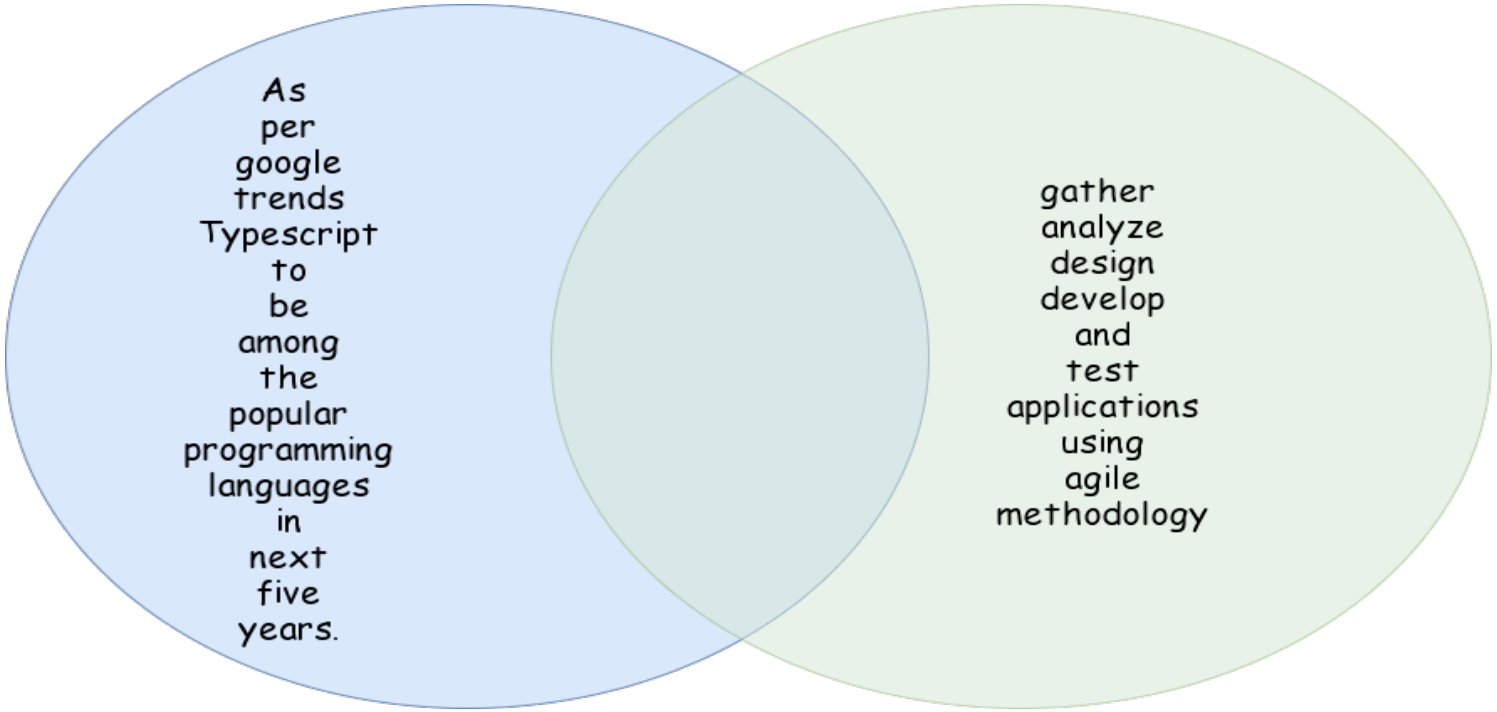

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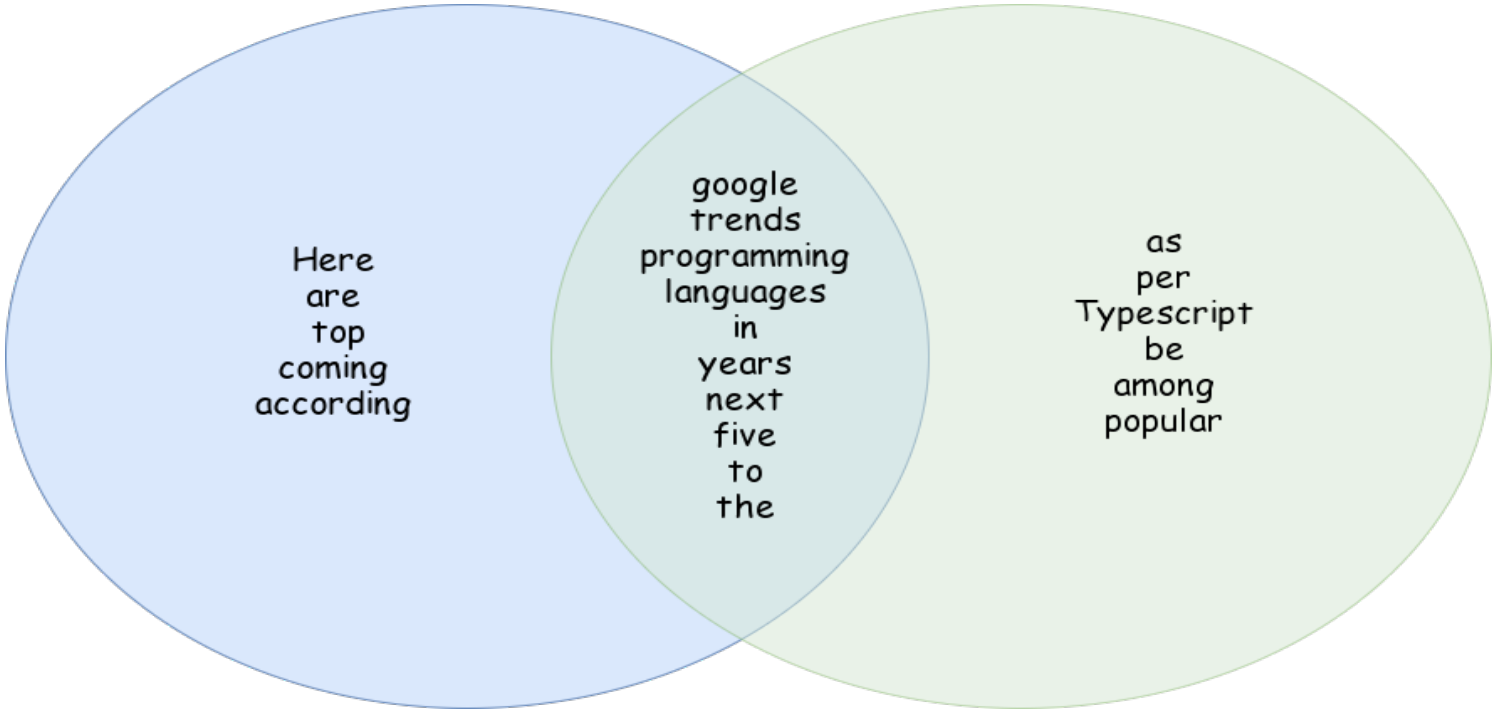

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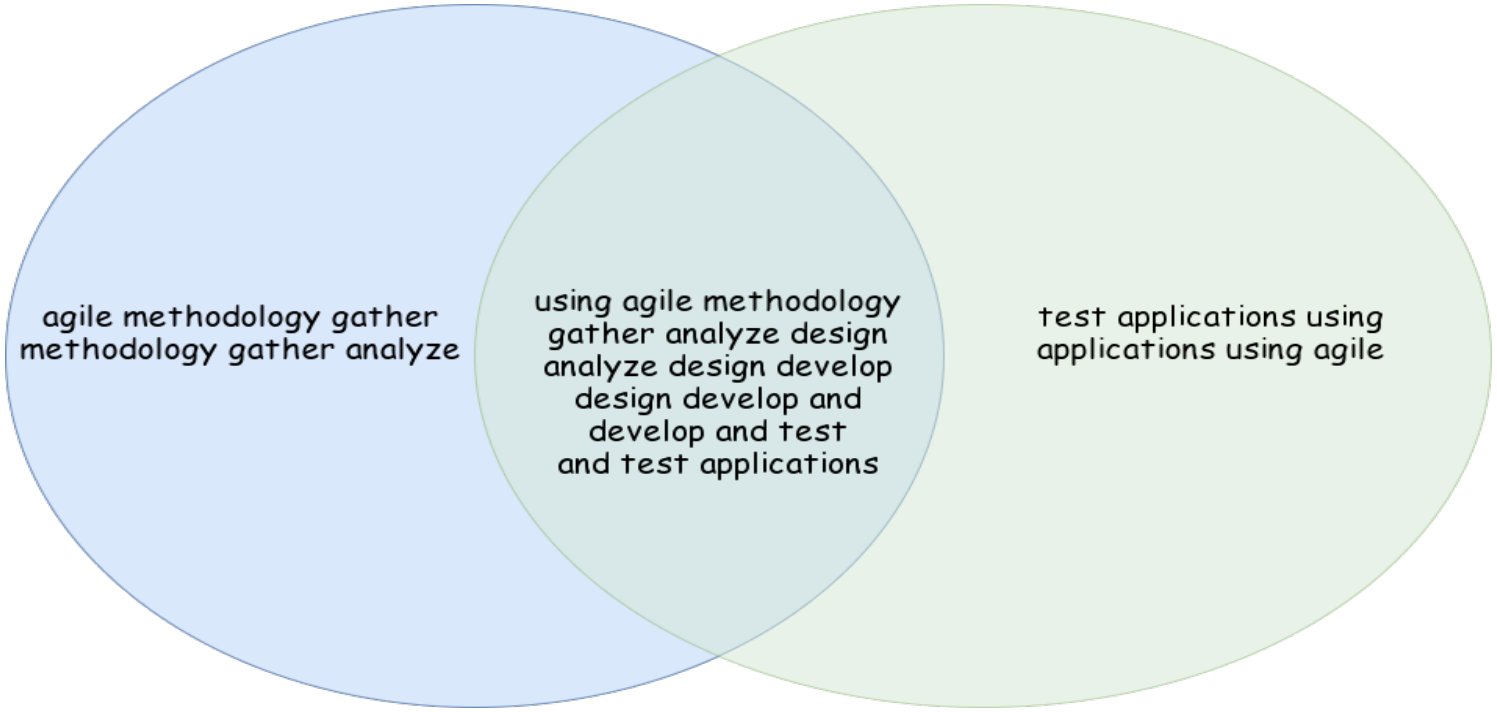

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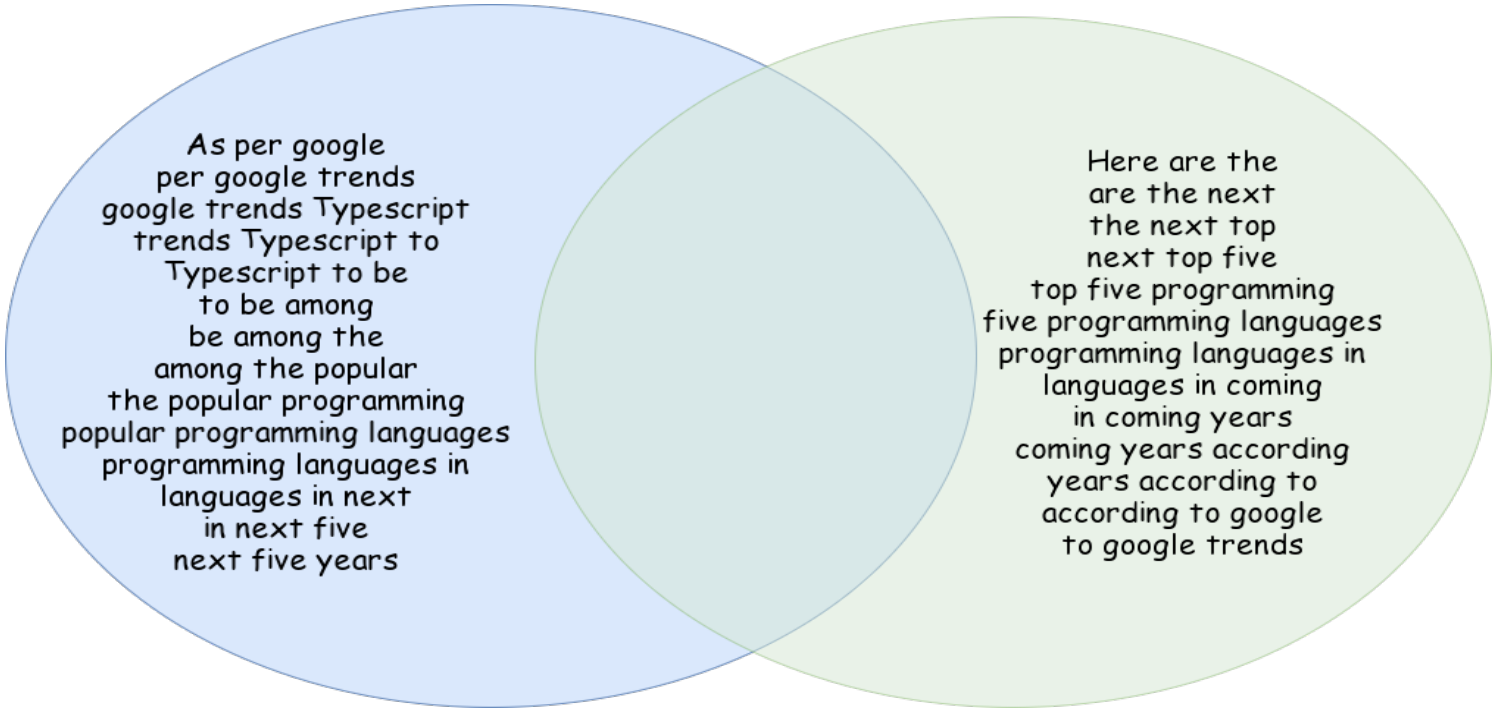

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Locality Sensitive Hashing

Whirlpool: Distributed Crawling

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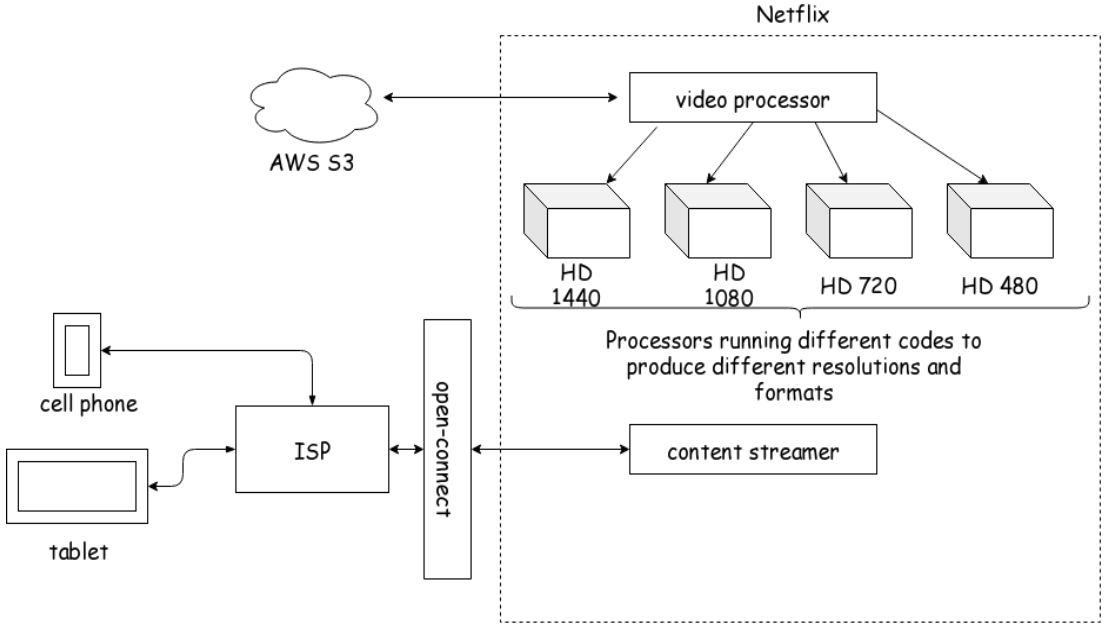

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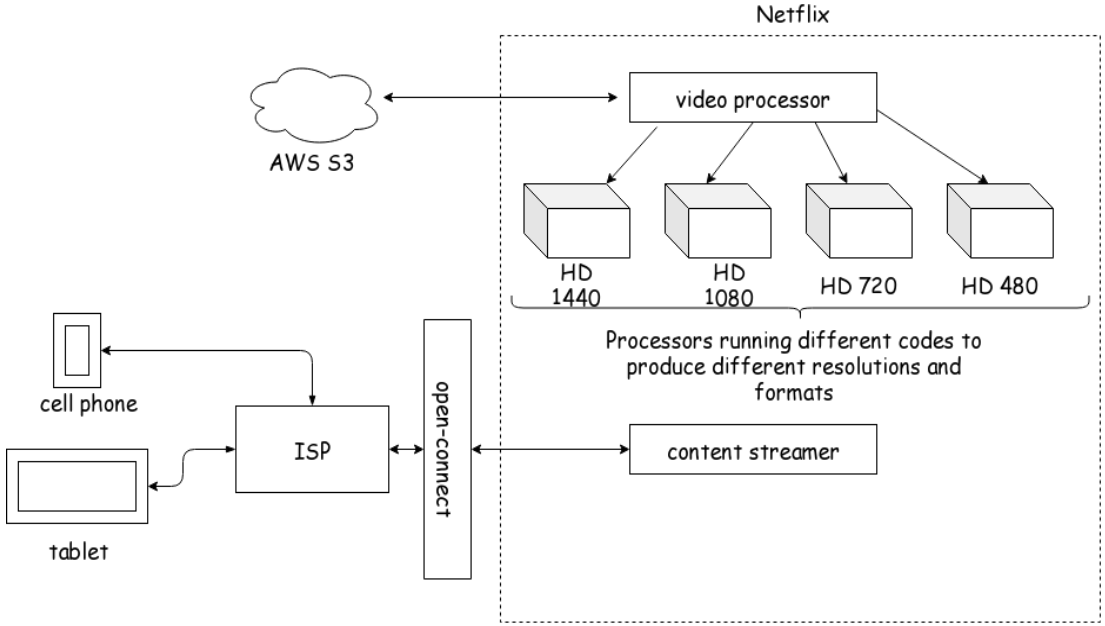

- Data partitioning

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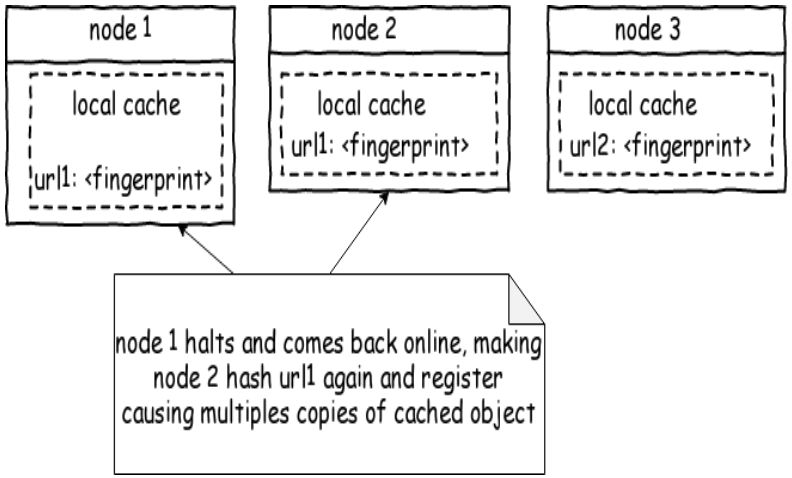

Figure: identical copies of same cached object

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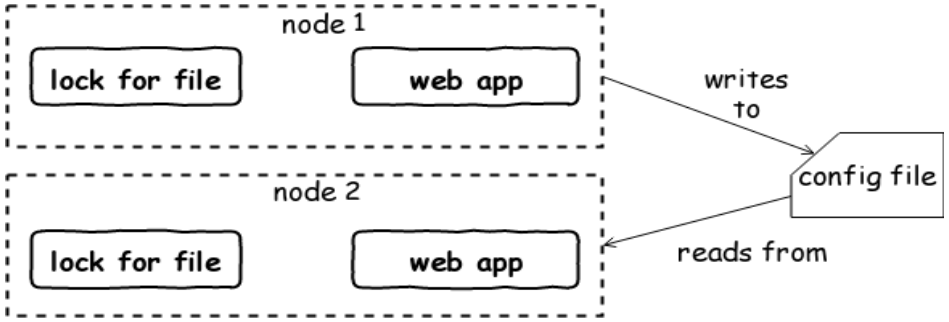

Figure: Using local locks to access shared resources

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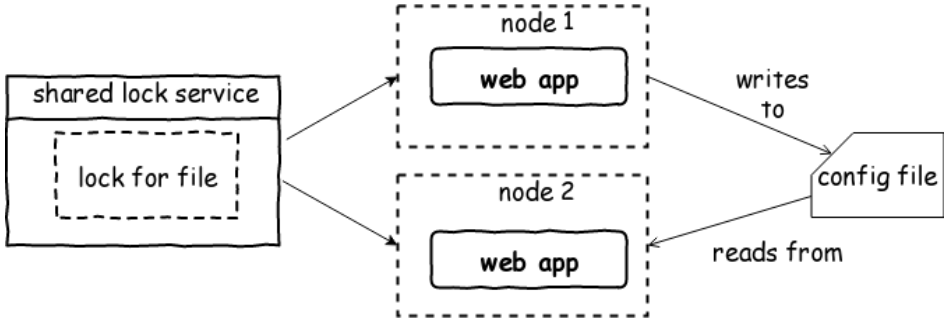

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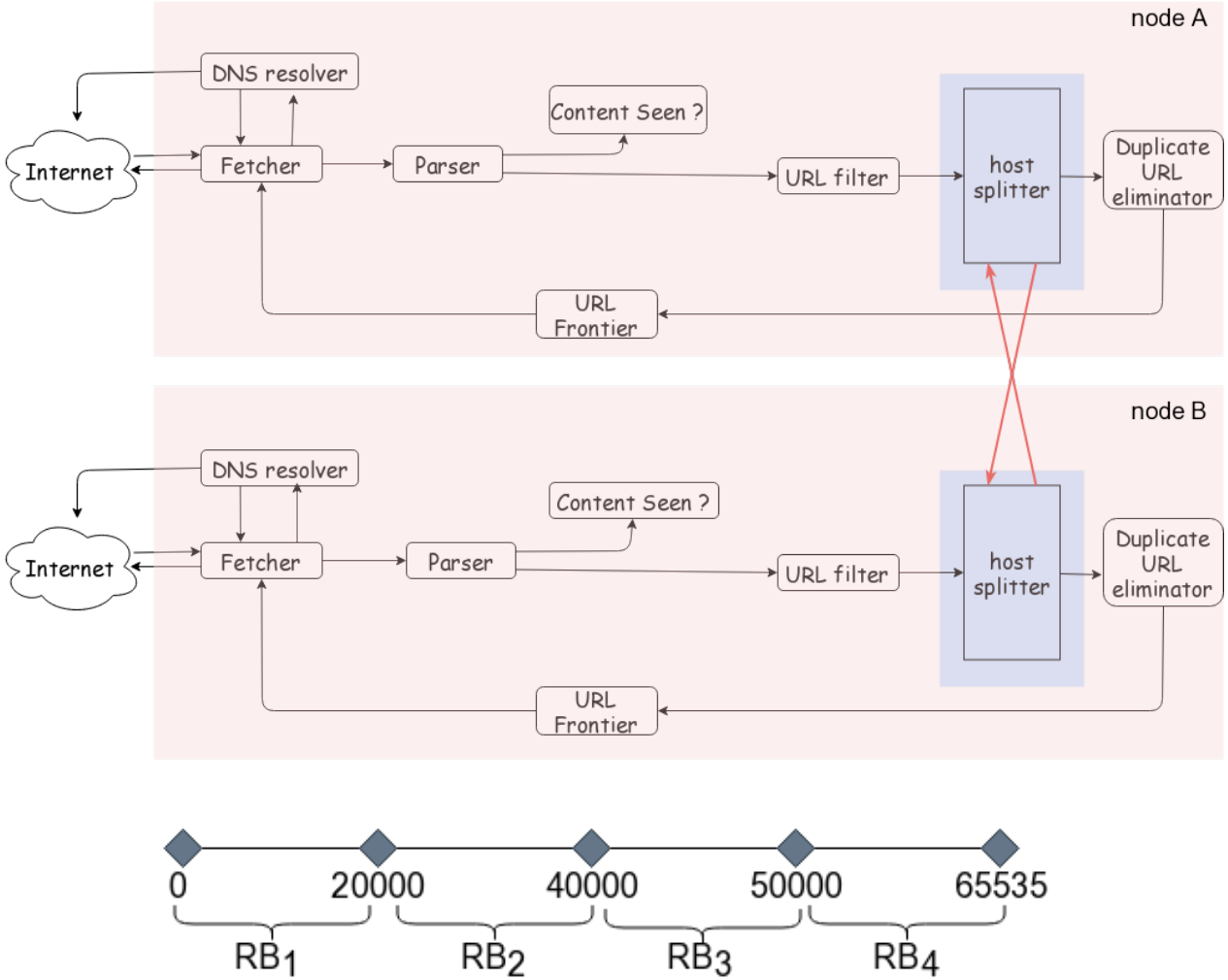
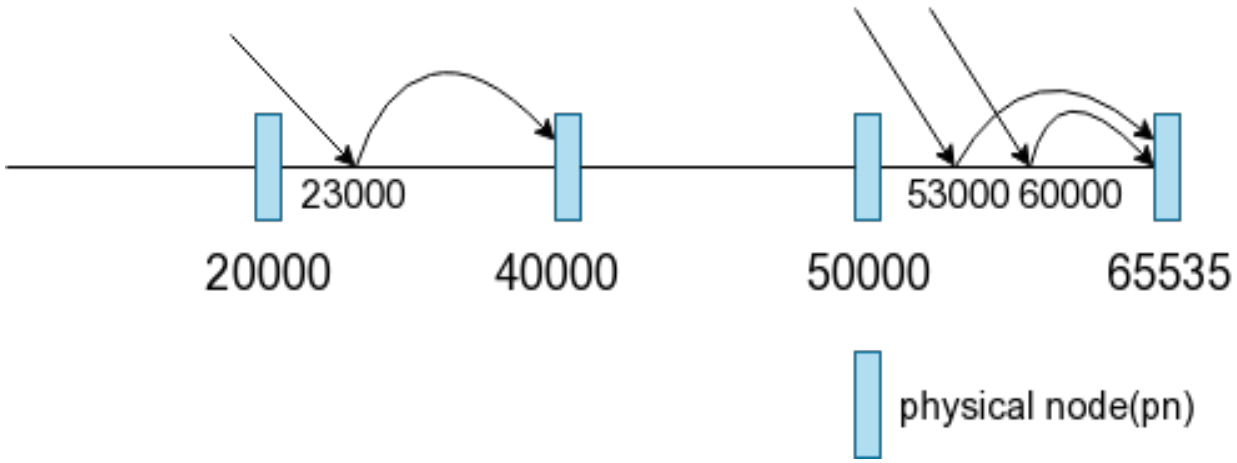


Rebalancing: mod N



Rebalancing: mod N

absolute URL	m = hash(absolute URL)	m mod N(1)	m mod N(2)		m mod N(3)		m mod N(4)	
jobs.com/browses	24	n1	n1	0	n1	0	n1	0
dice.com/browse-titles	59956	n1	n2	1	n1	1	n4	1
monster.com/categories	10090	n1	n1	0	n1	0	n3	1
simplyhired.com/find-jobs	23000	n1	n2	1	n2	0	n4	1
indeed.com/jobs/unix-admin	41103	n1	n2	1	n1	1	n4	1
glassdoor.com/hires/software-developer	35114	n1	n1	0	n3	1	n3	0
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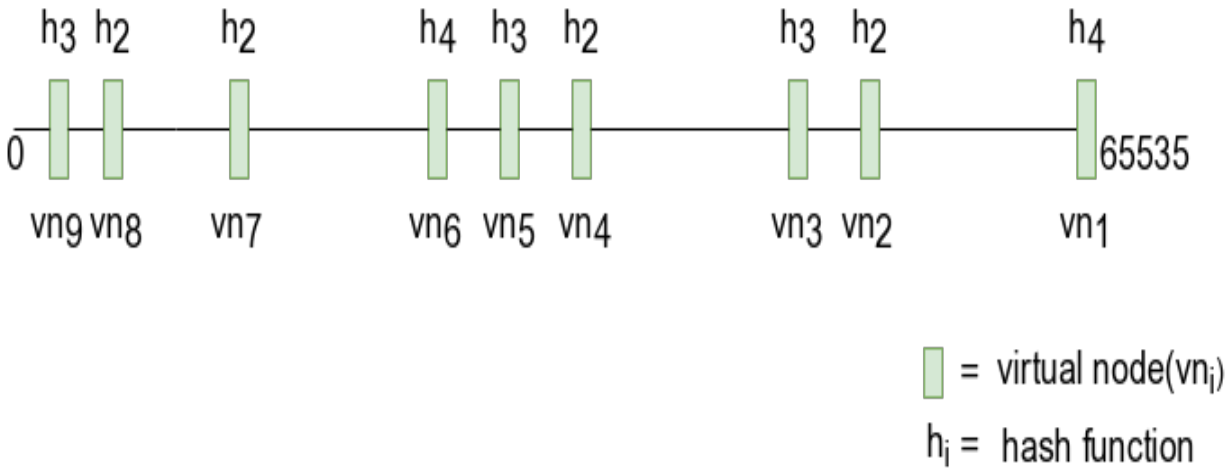

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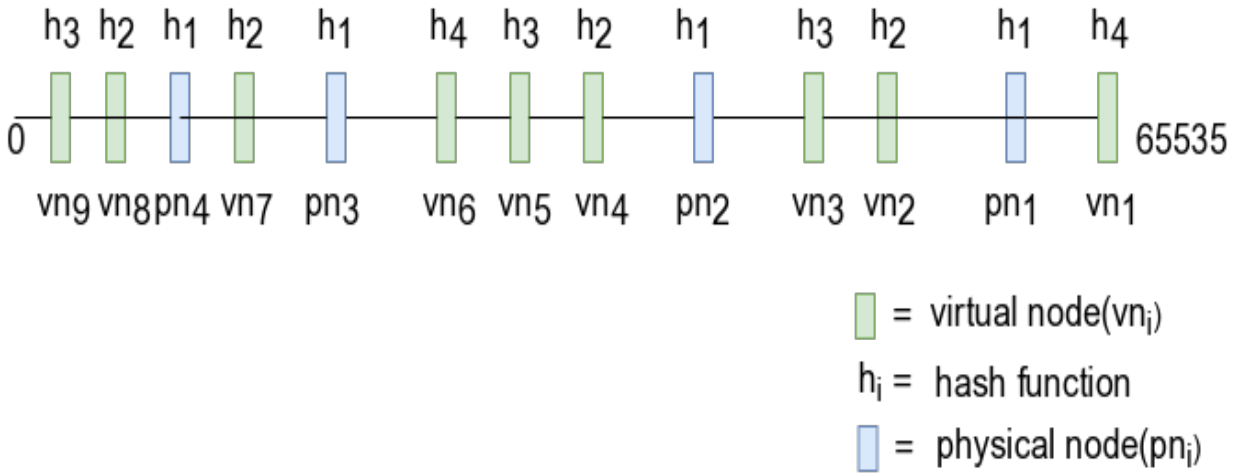

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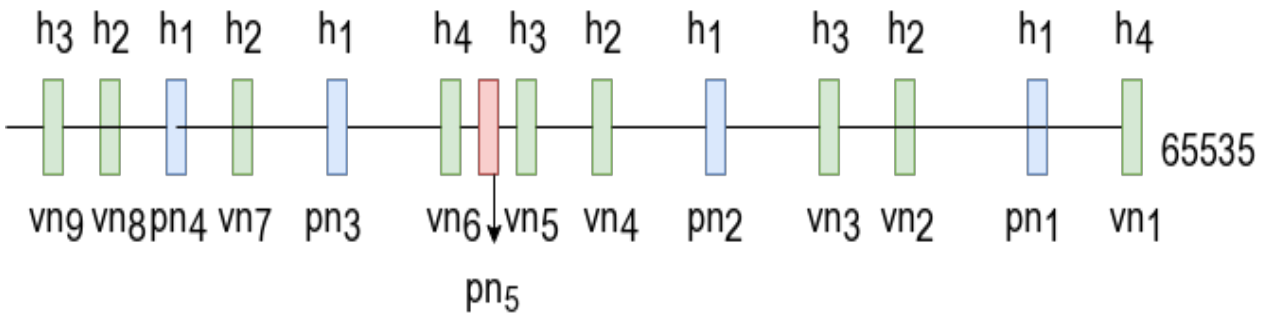

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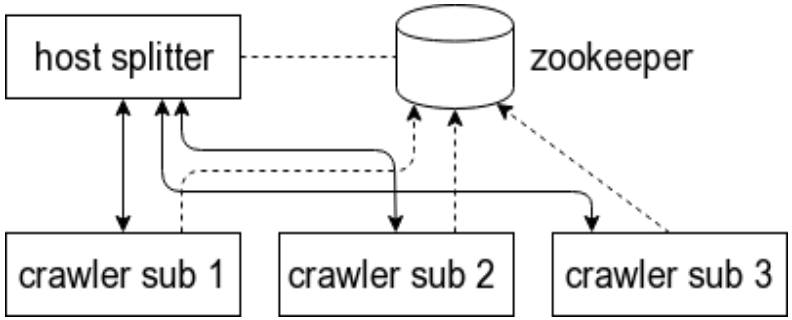

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6k – 10k	vn7	pn3	10.0.0.3
10k – 15k	vn6	pn2	10.0.0.2
15k – 20k	vn5	pn2	10.0.0.2
20k – 35k	vn4	pn2	10.0.0.2
35k – 45k	vn3	pn1	10.0.0.1
45k – 55k	vn2	pn1	10.0.0.1
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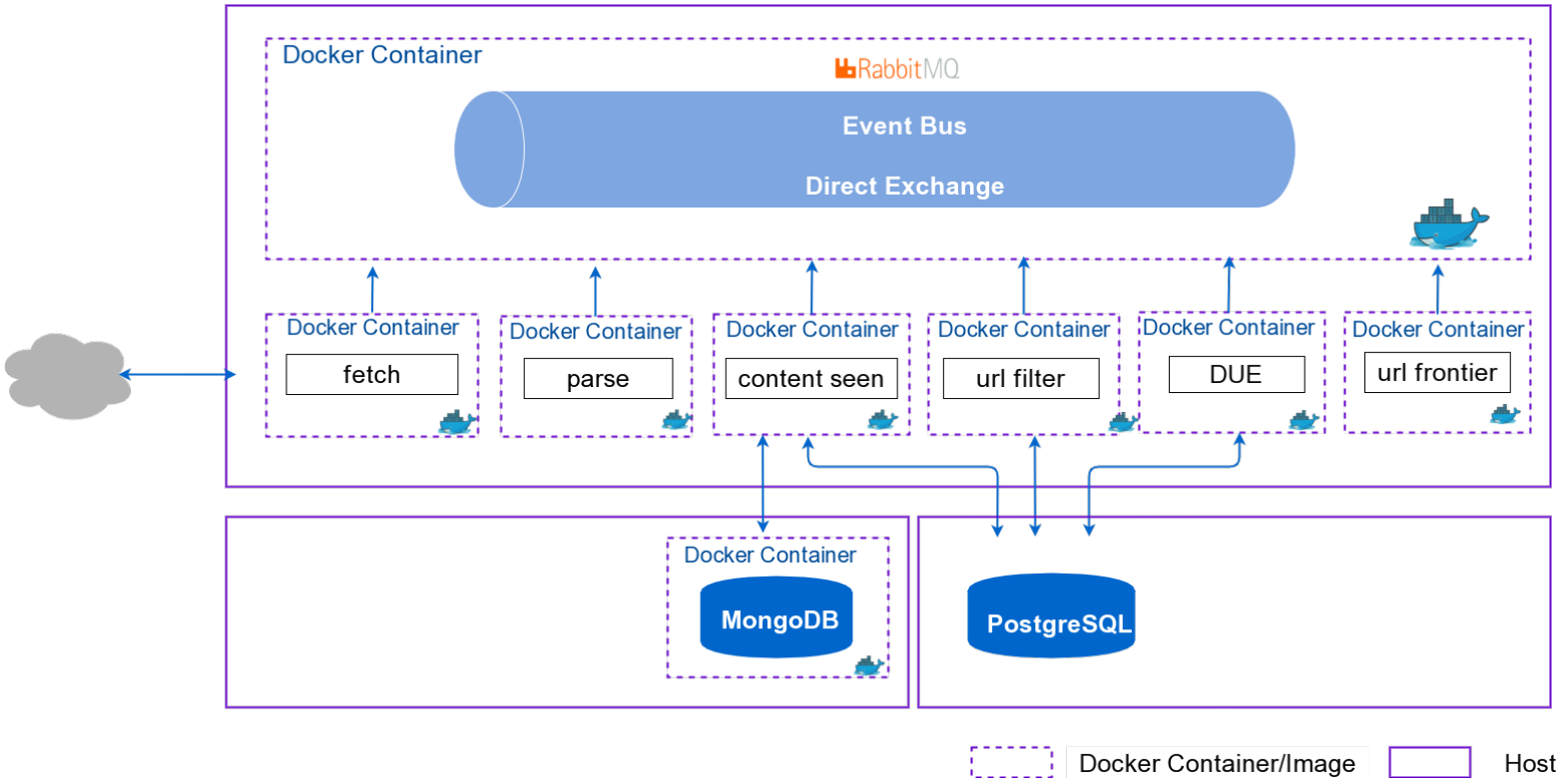
Whirlpool: Operations

RabbitMQ: Message bus



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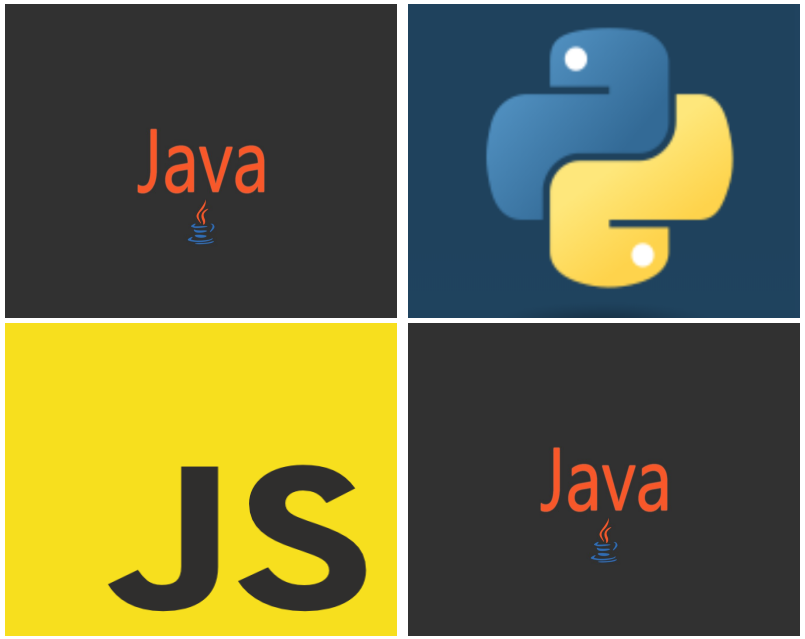

development vs. production docker containers

```yaml
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networks:
  default:
    external:
      name: whirlpool-net

services:

  base:
    image: python:3.7.4-buster
    command: bash -c "useradd --create-home --shell /bin/bash whirlpool && chown -R whirlpool:whirlpool /home/whirlpool/whirlpool-due"
    volumes:
      - .:/home/whirlpool/whirlpool-due
      - wh-due:/usr/local/lib/python3.7/site-packages
    working_dir: /home/whirlpool/whirlpool-due
    environment:
      - PY_ENV=development
    networks:
      - default

  install:
    extends:
      service: base
    command: pip3 install -r requirements.txt

  quick-up:
    extends:
      service: base
    command: python3 ./due/main.py

volumes:
  wh-due:
    external: true
```
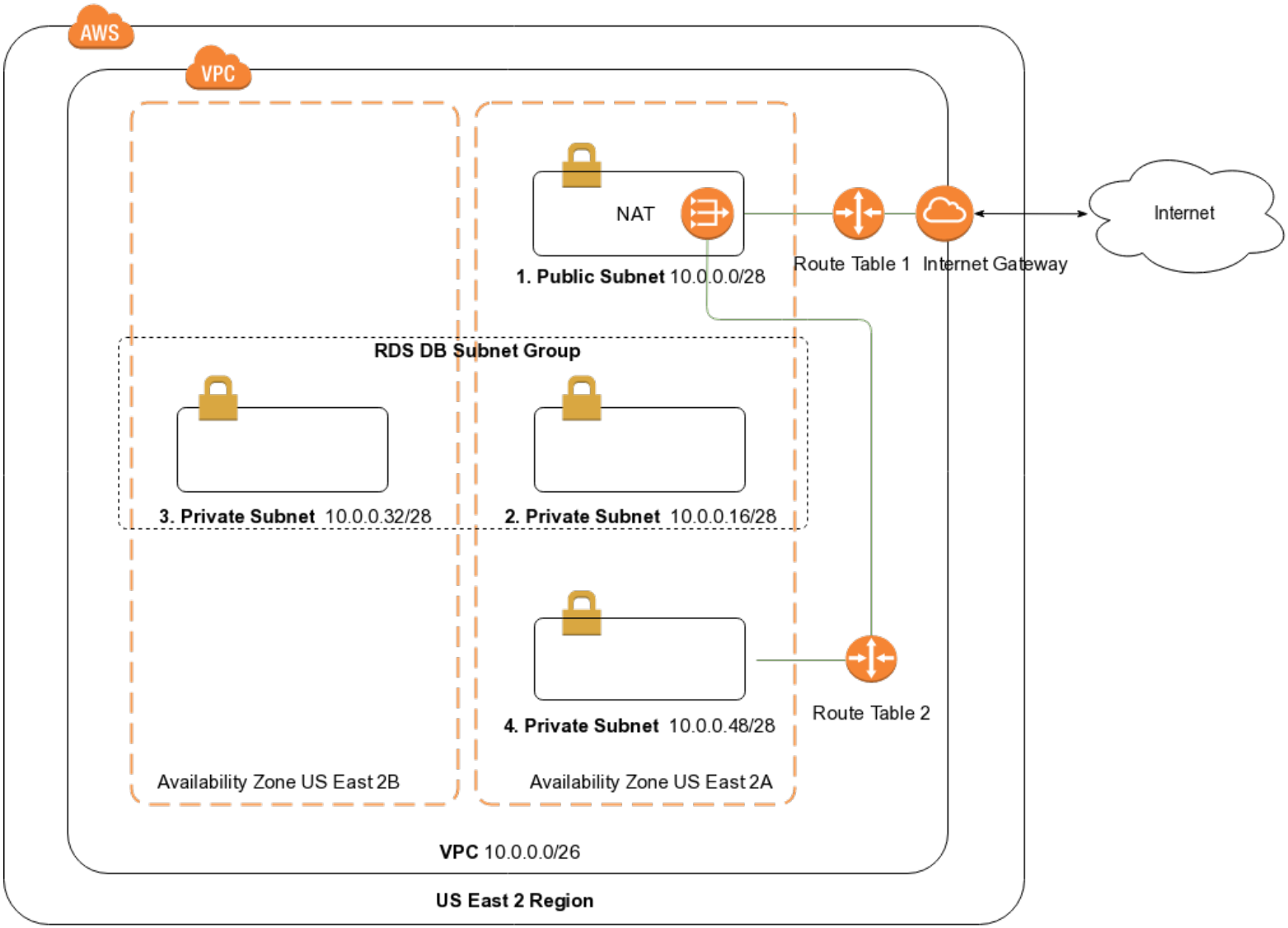

development vs. production docker containers

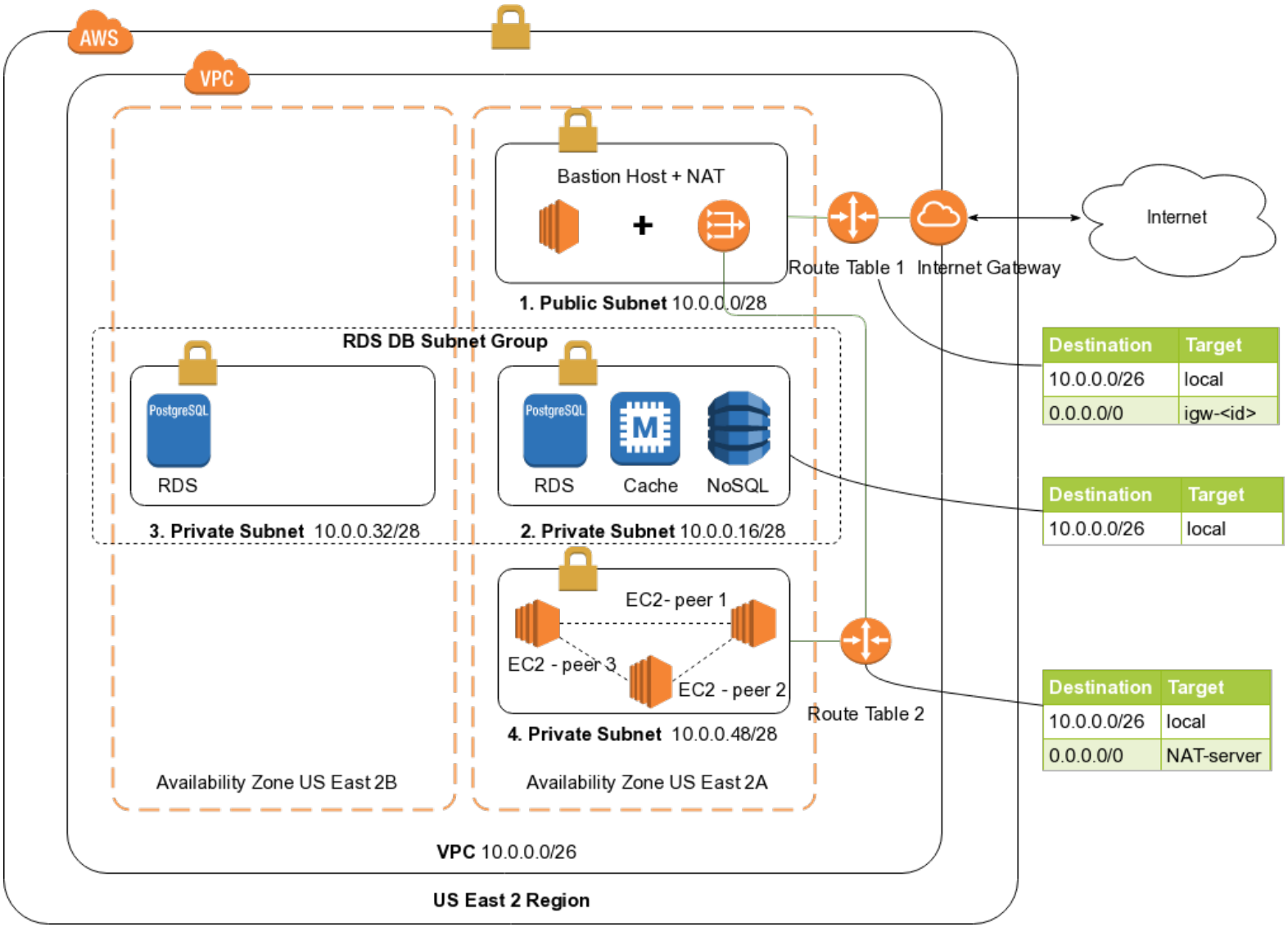
```
FROM python:3.7.4-buster as whirlpool-due-base

ENV PYTHONDONTWRITEBYTECODE=1
ARG WH_DUE_ROOT=/home/whirlpool/whirlpool-due
WORKDIR $WH_DUE_ROOT

RUN apt-get update \
  && apt-get install -y --no-install-recommends netcat \
  && rm -rf /var/lib/apt/lists/* \
  && useradd --create-home --shell /bin/bash whirlpool \
  && chown -R whirlpool:whirlpool $WH_DUE_ROOT

# files necessary to build the project
COPY .pylintrc ./
COPY requirements.txt ./

RUN mkdir logs/ \
  && pip3 install -r requirements.txt

COPY scripts/ scripts/
COPY due/ due/

# docker image for dev target
FROM whirlpool-due-base as whirlpool-due-dev

COPY scripts/wait-for-it.sh scripts/wait-for-it.sh
ENTRYPOINT ["bash ./scripts/wait-for-it.sh"]

# docker image for prod target
FROM whirlpool-due-base as whirlpool-due-prod

COPY scripts/wait-for-it-prod.sh scripts/wait-for-it-prod.sh
ENTRYPOINT ["bash ./scripts/wait-for-it-prod.sh"]
```

development vs. production docker containers

From 10,000 ft.



From 5,000 ft.



Destination	Target
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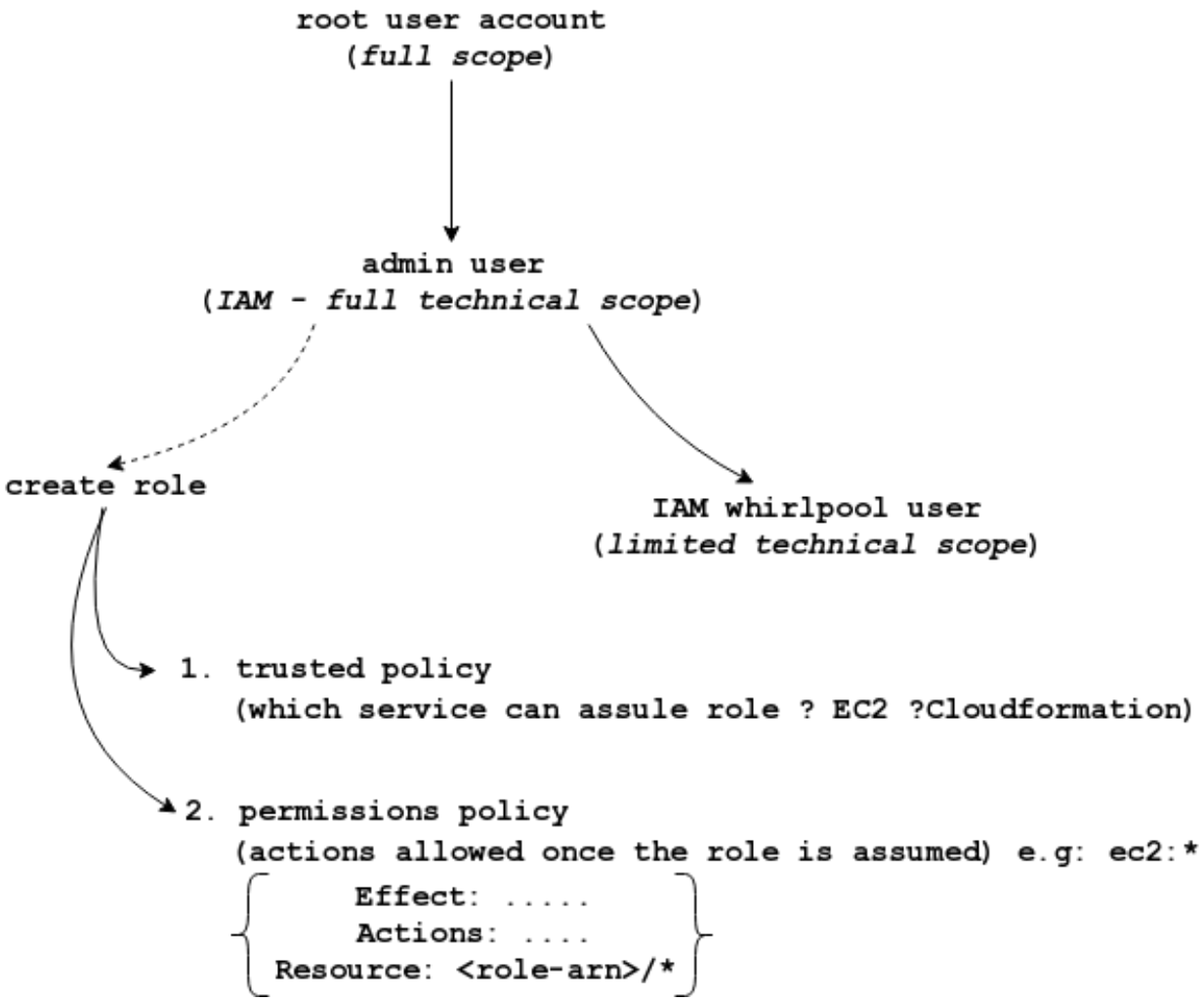
10.0.0.0/26	local
0.0.0.0/0	NAT-server

From 5,000 ft.


root user account
(full scope)
admin user
(IAM - full technical scope)
create role
IAM whirlpool user
(limited technical scope)
1. trusted policy
(which service can assule role ? EC2 ?Cloudformation)
2. permissions policy
(actions allowed once the role is assumed) e.g: ec2:*
Effect: .....
Actions: ....
Resource: <role-arn>/*

Infrastructure as a code

Recap

- Microservices
- Load balancing
- Decoupling
- Extensible
- Distributed Systems(Partitioning)
- Logging & metrics calculation
- Fault tolerance
- Resiliency

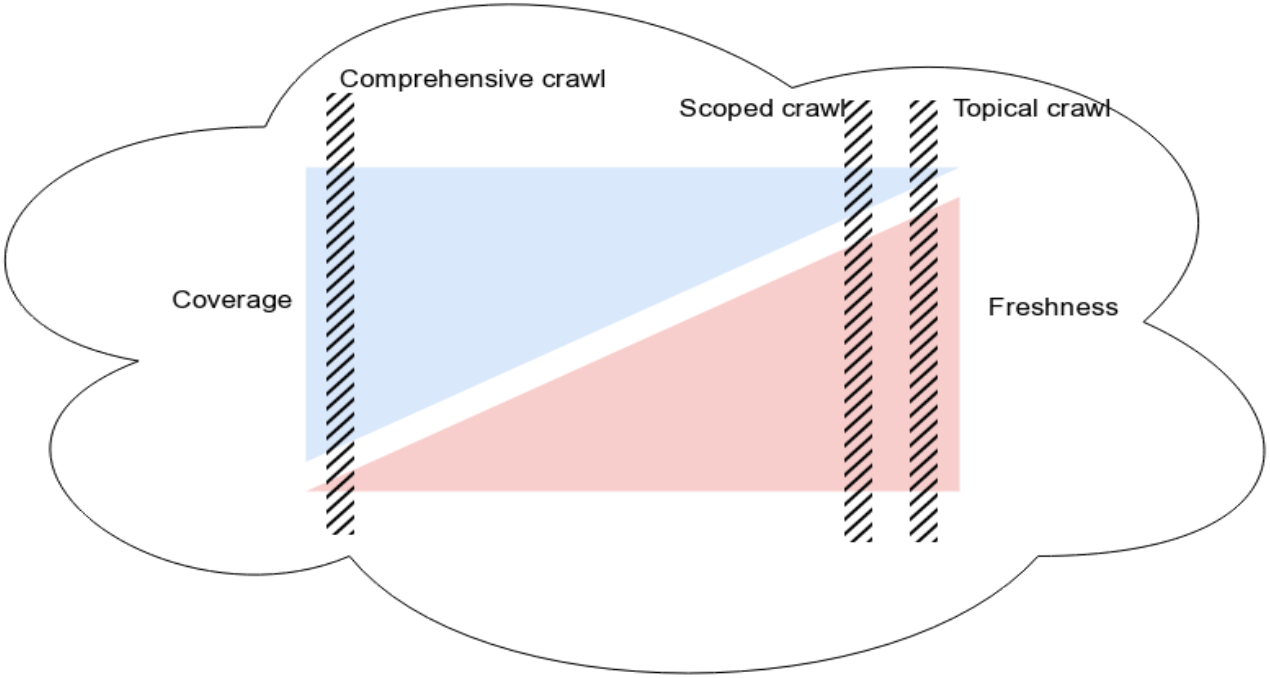
Future work

future work

Indexing crawled data & logs using Elasticsearch

future work

Adding comprehensive coverage



future work

Content Extraction

future work

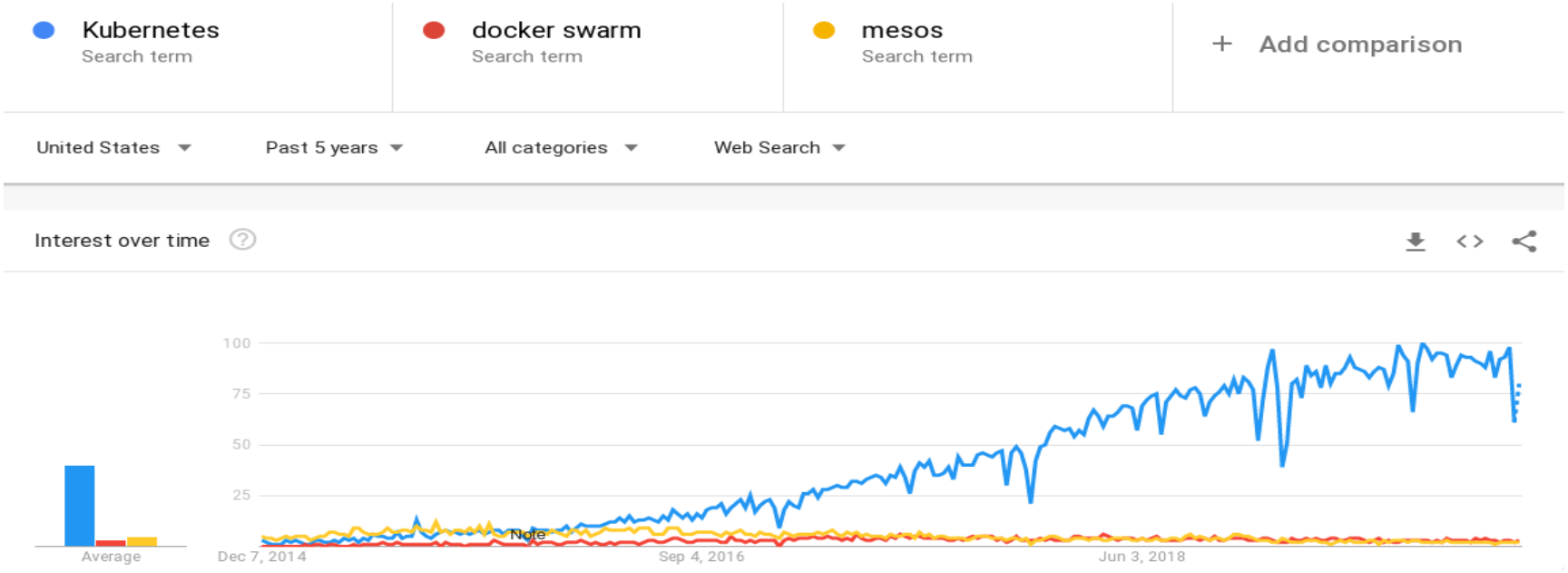
Categorizing Jobs using ML algorithm

future work

SeenTest: Inserting and Querying Simhashes using LSH

future work

Deploying whirlpool using kubernetes



Thank you! Questions ?