

MOVING MOUNTAINS OF PLAYER DATA

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Intern at Appfolio

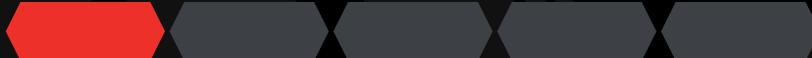


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BIG DATA ENGINEER

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1. INTRODUCTION
2. THE GAME PLATFORM: OUR MAIN DATA SOURCE
3. HOW WE INGEST AND QUERY DATA
4. HOW WE SCALE IN AWS
5. CONCLUSION - SEAN'S PRO TIPS

INTRODUCTION



WHAT IS LEAGUE OF LEGENDS?

The background image is a dynamic scene from the game League of Legends. It features several champions in various stages of combat or movement. On the left, a character with red hair and a sword is shown. In the center, a large, armored character with a sword is prominent. To the right, a woman with long red hair and a male character with a staff are visible. The setting is a dark, rocky terrain with a bright sun or moon in the background, casting light on the characters and the ground.

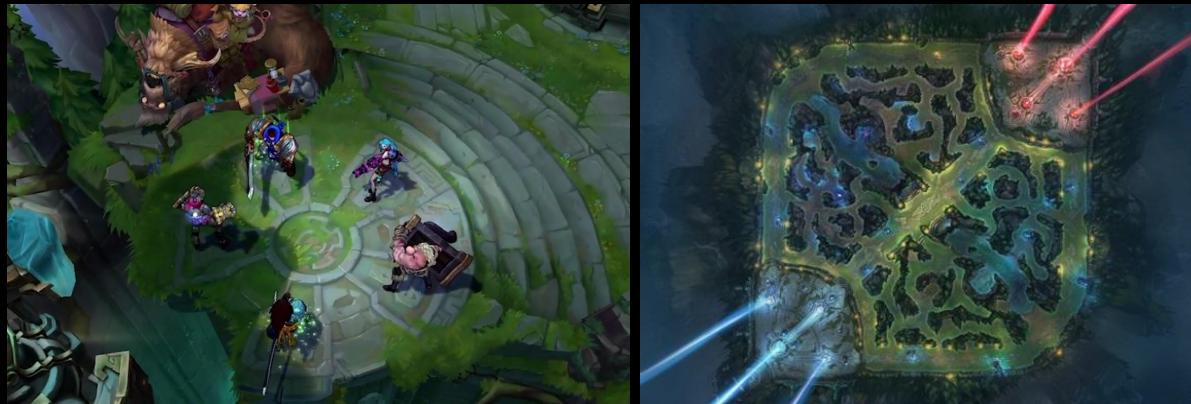
2009
LAUNCH

ONLINE
MULTIPLAYER

WINDOWS
/ OSX

40-50 MIN
GAMES

YOUR CHAMP



THE
TEAM

THE
BATTLE
GROUND



12 BILLION
GAME RELATED EVENTS

0.5 TRILLION
DATA POINTS

50 TB
STORAGE

DAILY

26 PETABYTES
PLAYER DATA

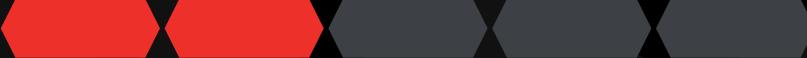
SINCE BETA

OUR MISSION

WE ASPIRE
TO BE THE MOST
PLAYER

FOCUSED
GAME COMPANY IN THE
WORLD

THE GAME PLATFORM

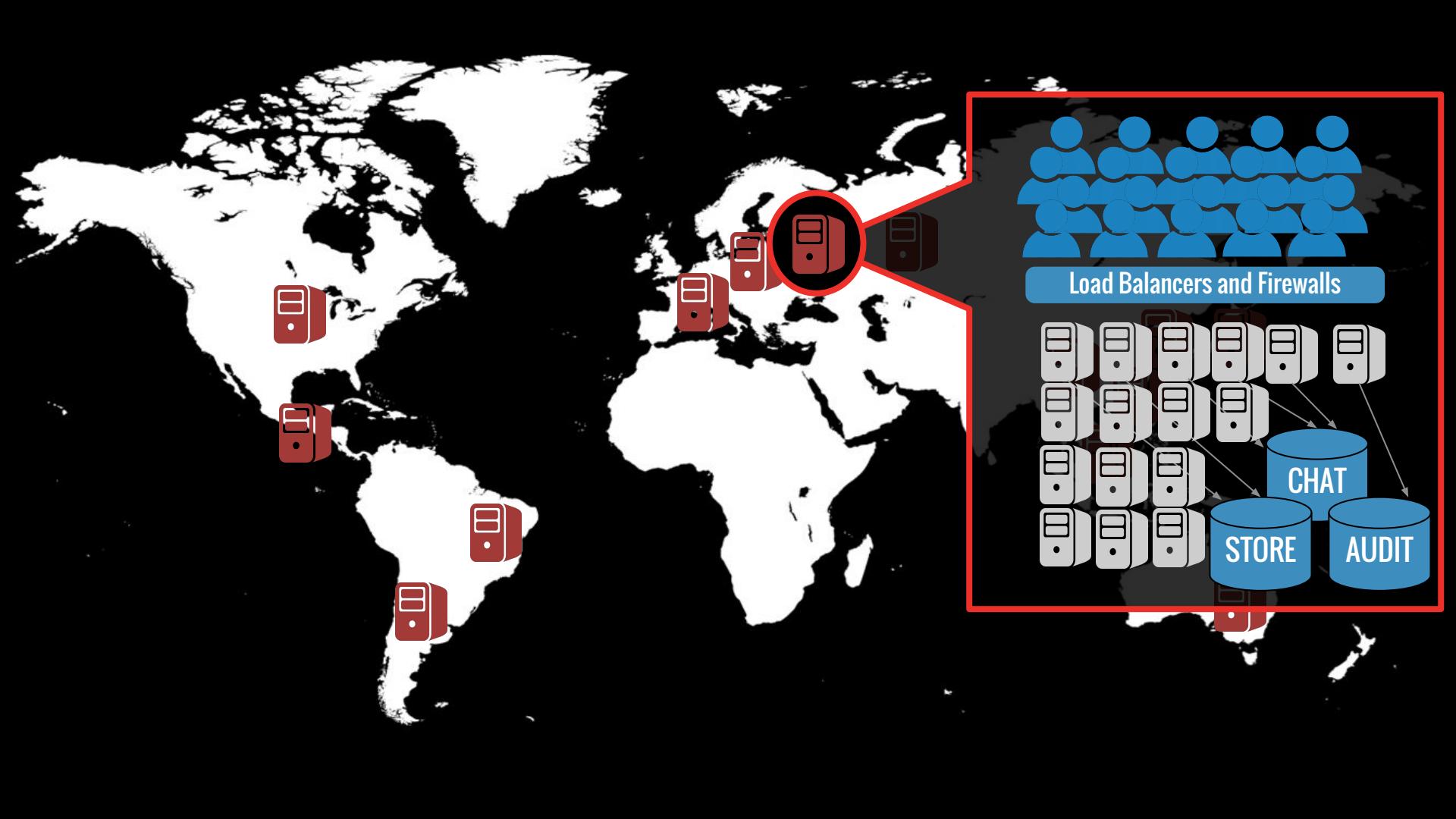


THE CLIENT.

The image is a collage of screenshots from the League of Legends client interface, set against a dark background featuring a large, stylized silhouette of a dragon's head.

- Lobby Screen:** Shows the main lobby interface with a banner for the "2013 리그 오브 레전드 PC방 토너먼트". It includes a list of recent tournaments, a featured champion (Nami), and a "Play" button.
- Character Selection Screen:** Shows a list of available champions for selection, including "고급 드래프트 훈련실 사용자" (Advanced Draft Training User) and "나는 그 수다 사용자" (I'm That Guy User).
- Login Screen:** Displays the login form with fields for account ID and password, and checkboxes for "记住账号" (Remember Account) and "已阅读并同意《用户协议》" (Agreed to the User Agreement).
- Game Interface:** Shows a player's stats at level 30, including wins (361989), losses (543837), and a "Play" button.
- Champion Spotlight:** Features Tahm Kench, the River King, with a video thumbnail showing two men discussing the champion.
- Patch Rundown:** Shows the "Patch Rundown 5.13 - The Itemocalypse" with a "DRAFT" button.



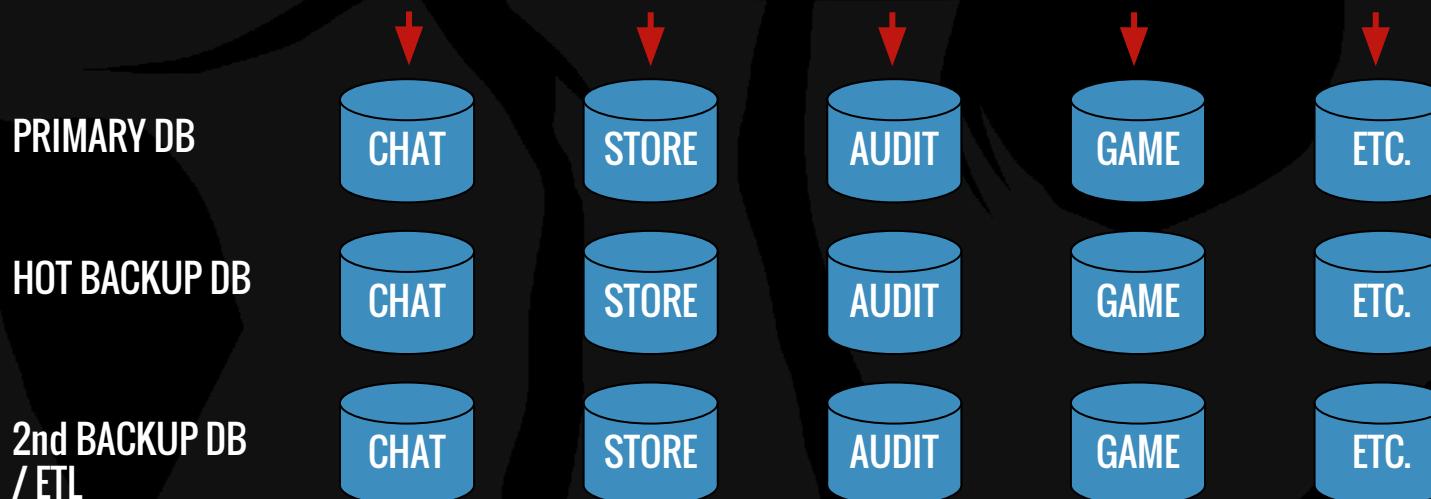
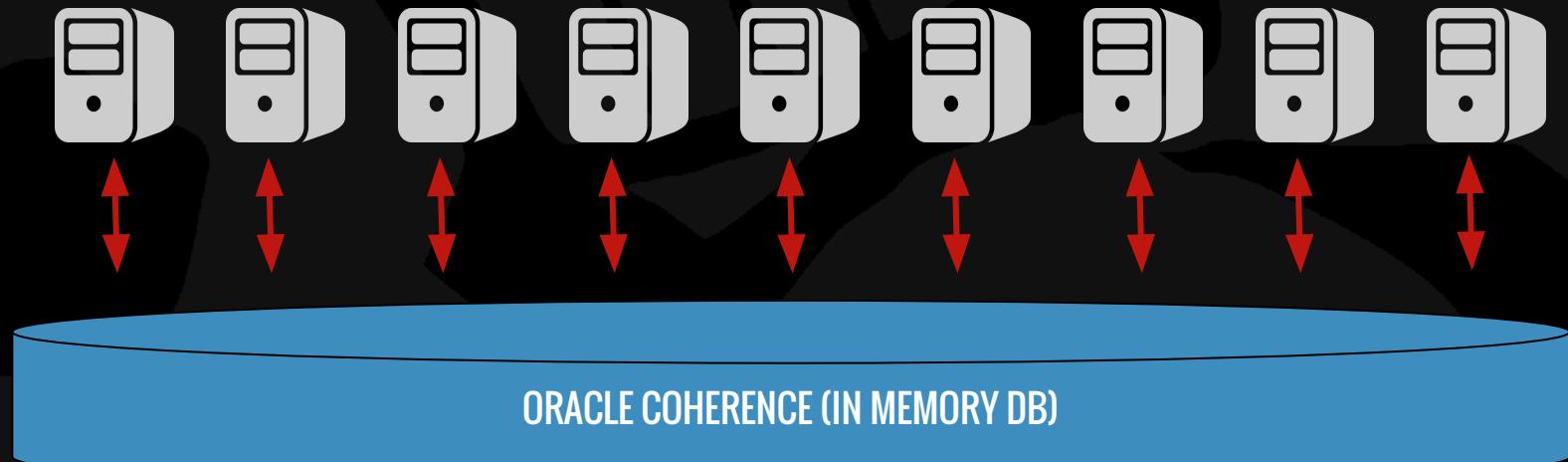


Load Balancers and Firewalls

CHAT

STORE

AUDIT





DATA INGESTION



INGESTION

PULL-BASED / ETL



FuETL

- OLTP game data
- External Data Sources

PUSH-BASED



kafka

- Anything pushed to it
- Server logs

STORAGE

MASTER WAREHOUSE



S3 Simple Storage Service

DATA AUDITING



QUERY / VIEWS

AGGREGATE QUERIES



BATCH QUERIES



SINGLE-ROW QUERIES



VIZ. TOOLS



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Distributed ETL Software written in Ruby.

Same ETL applied to multiple regions / datacenters

Scales Horizontally

BEST LOGO EVER!

NA

First Name	Last Name	Address	City	Age
Mickey	Mouse	123 Fantasy Way	Anaheim	73
Bat	Man	321 Cavern Ave	Gotham	54
Wonder	Woman	987 Truth Way	Paradise	39
Donald	Duck	555 Quack Street	Mallard	65
Bugs	Bunny	567 Carrot Street	Rascal	58
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OTHER DATA SOURCES



<REST>



FUETL CAN CONNECT TO



Amazon S3
SQS
(S)FTP
Hive
Microsoft SQL Server
MySQL
DynamoDB
Vertica
Redshift
REST websites

Create an ETL

Source Helper: mysql_fantasylcs_server

Source Table(s):
Table: fantasy_users
Date_column: create_date
Hour_column:
Realm_column: region

Add

Target Helper: vertica_test_cluster

Target Table: warehouse.fantasy_users

Target Realm Column: dt

Target Date Column: region

Query:

```
select
<%= environment_id %>
, segmentation_date
, year(segmentation_date)
, month(segmentation_date)
, acct_id
, game_count
from fake_db.fantasy_users
where env = '<%= environment_name %>'
and segmentation_date = '<%= start_date %>'
and acct_id is not null
```

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Target Helper

Target Table

Target Realm Column

Target Date Column

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mysql_to_vertica/store_items (SQLToSQL)

Task Config

Schedule or Audit Runs



Environments:

16 selected ▾

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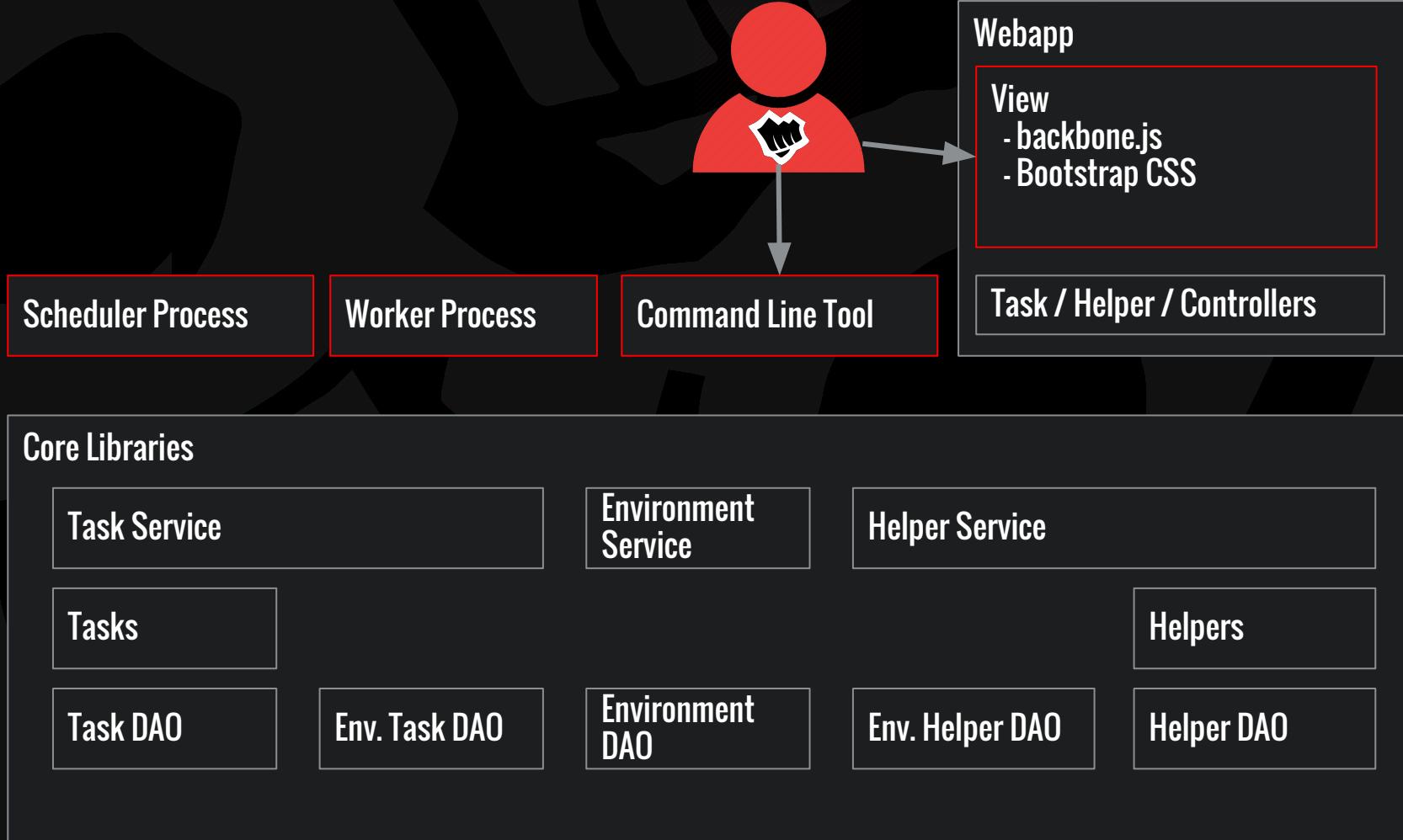
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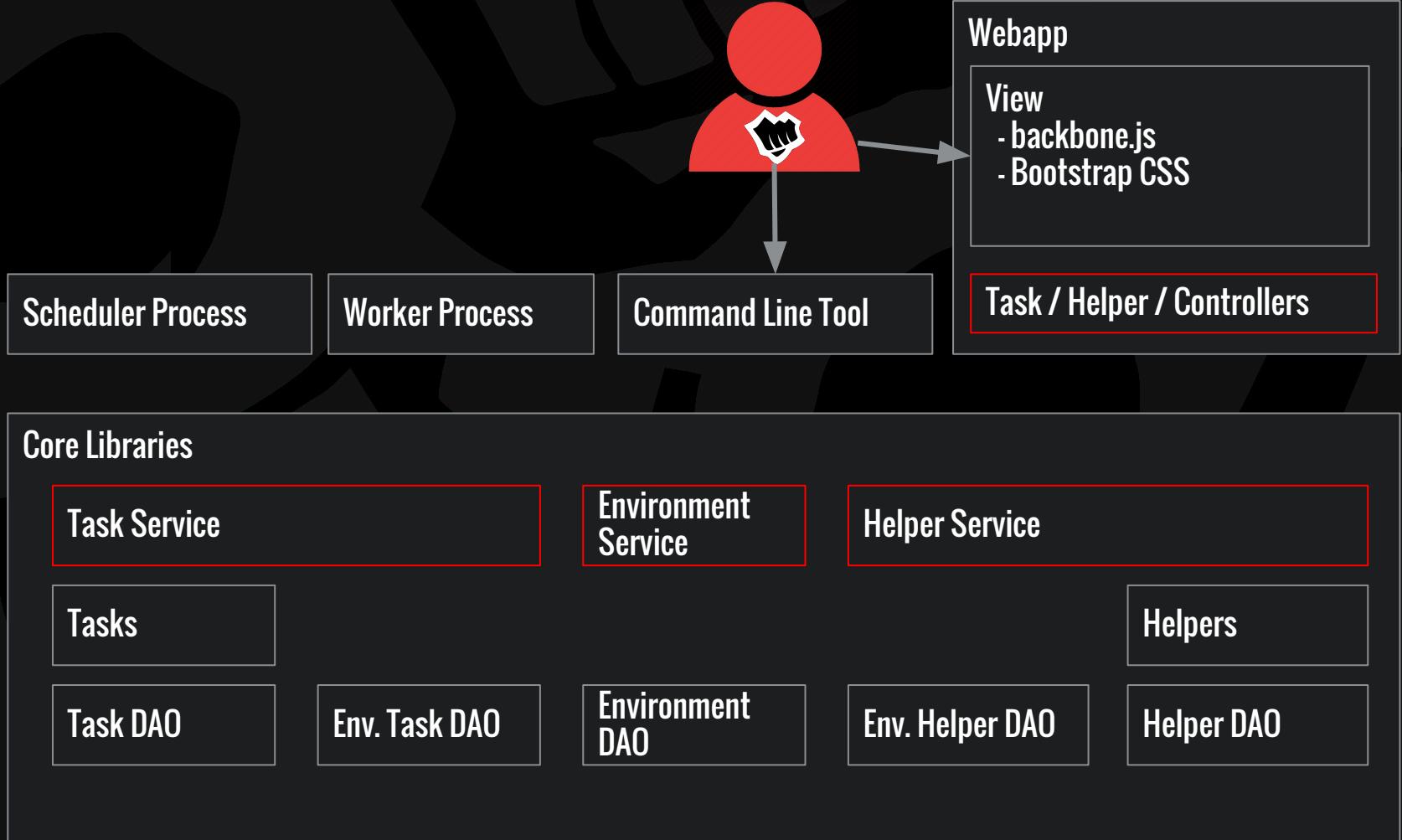
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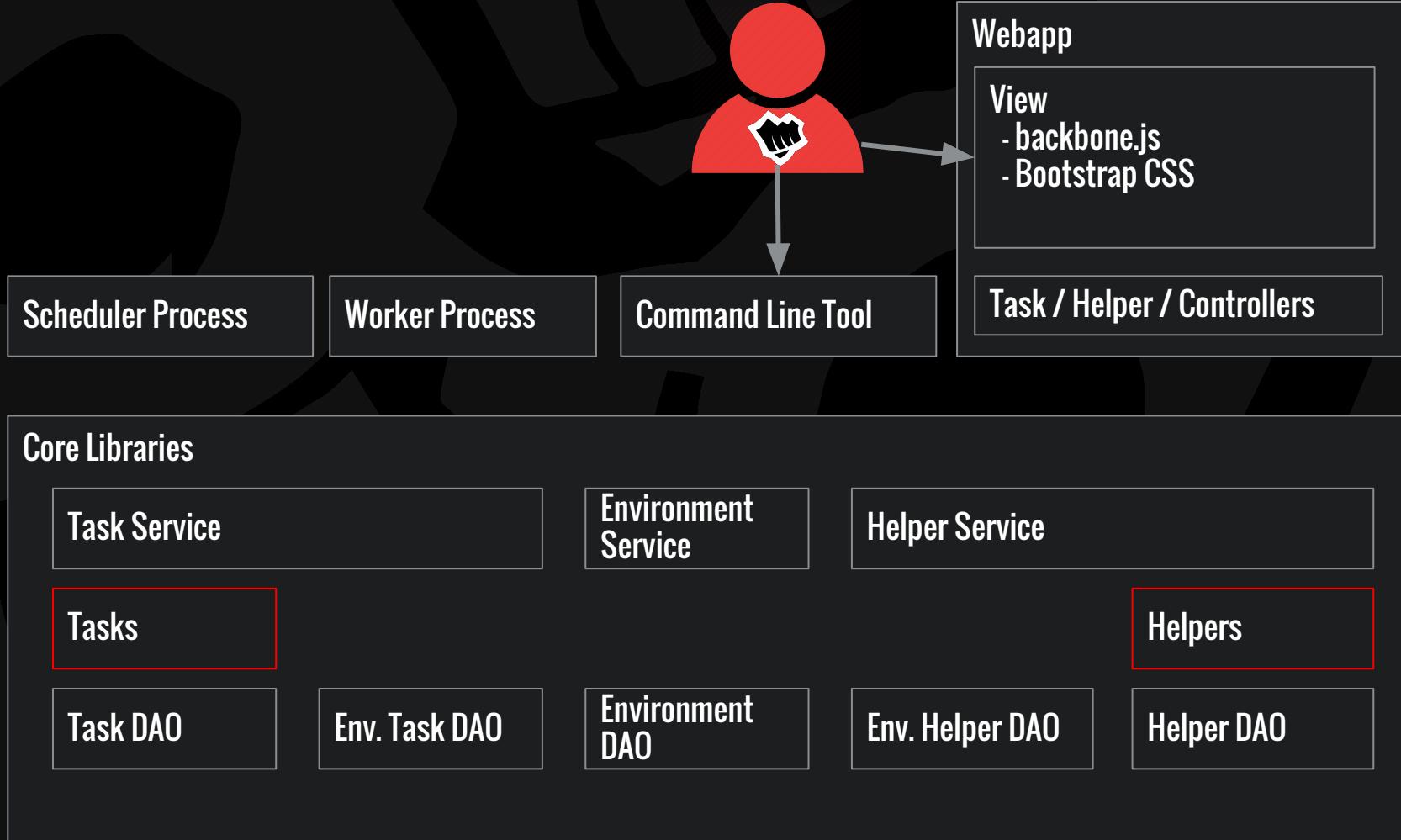
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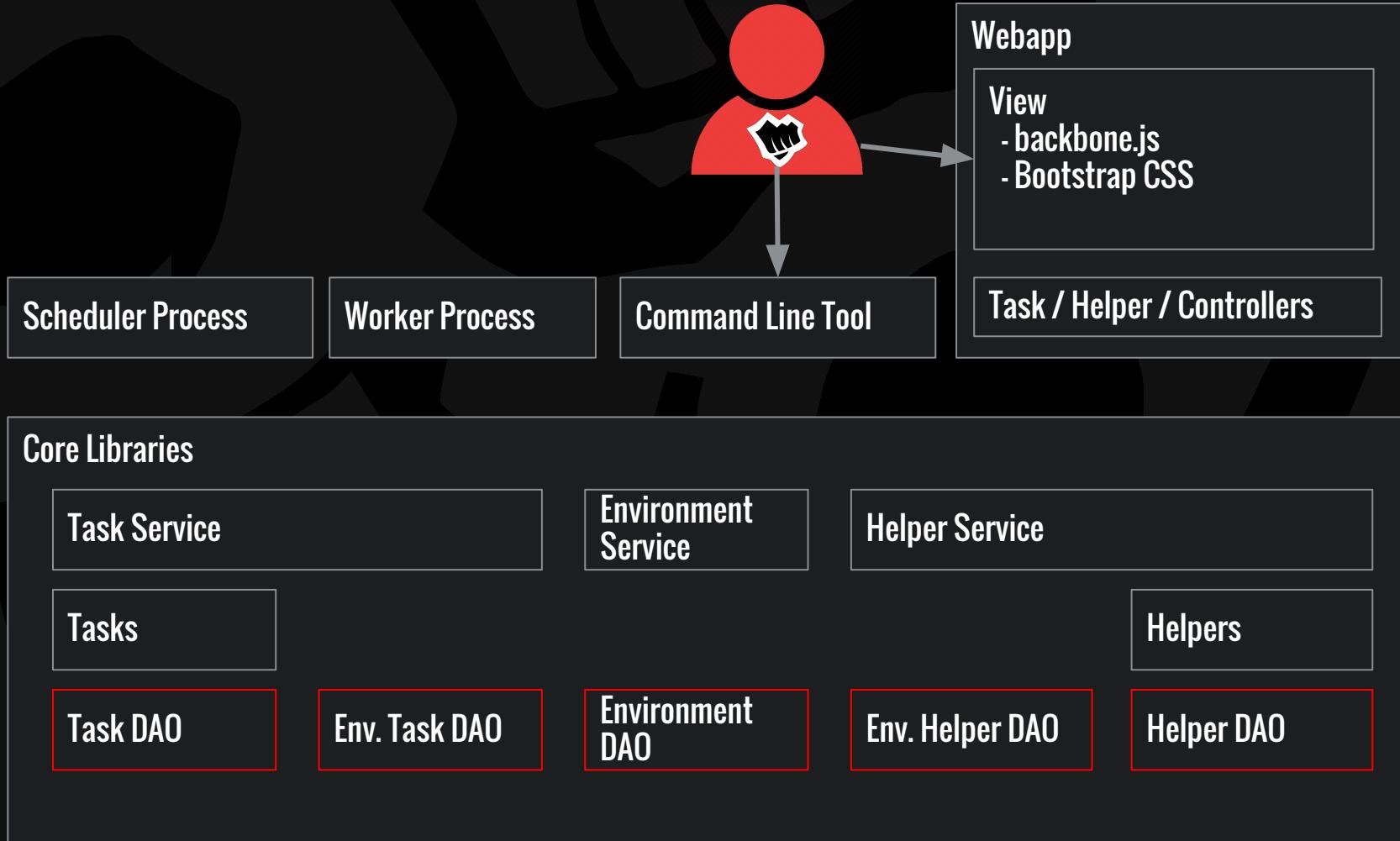
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FuETL STATISTICS



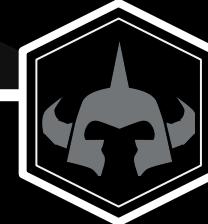
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**ACTIVE REGIONAL
ETLS**



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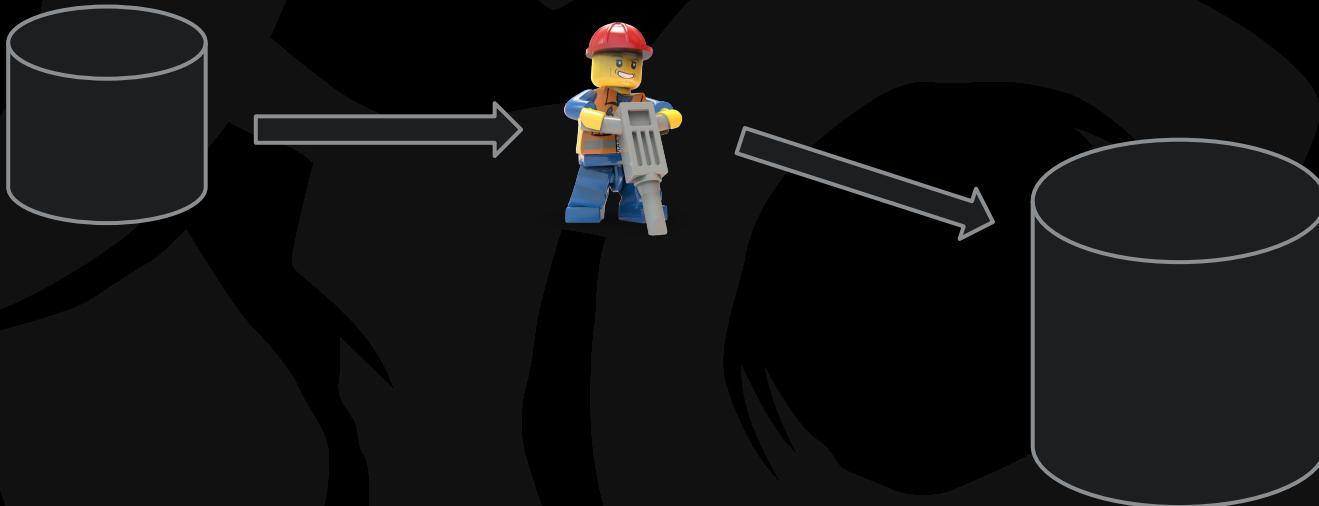
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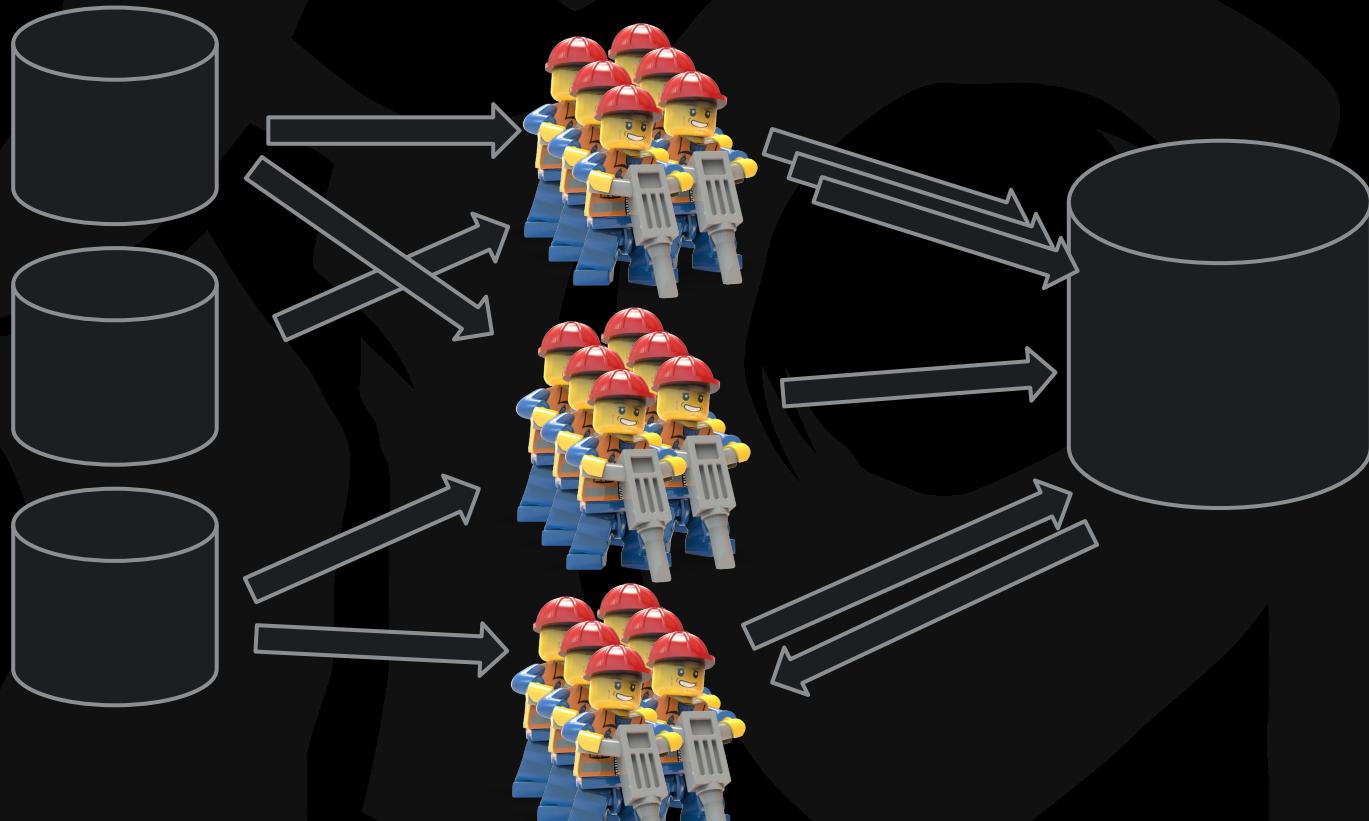
14 TB

DATA MOVED DAILY

FuETL SCALING



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Message Queues



SCHEDULER
aka
PRODUCER

ETLN

...

ETL8

ETL7

ETL6

ETL5

ETL1

ETL2

ETL4

ETL3



WORKER
aka
CONSUMER

Message Queues

- Redundancy
- Delivery Guarantees
- Easy to Scale
- Asynchronous Communication
- Abstraction / Decoupling

Message Queues

- Amazon Simple Queue Service
- Apache ActiveMQ
- RabbitMQ
- HornetQ
- Microsoft MQ (MSMQ)

Message Queues



SCHEDULER
aka
PRODUCER



ETL1

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X



WORKER
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Message Queues



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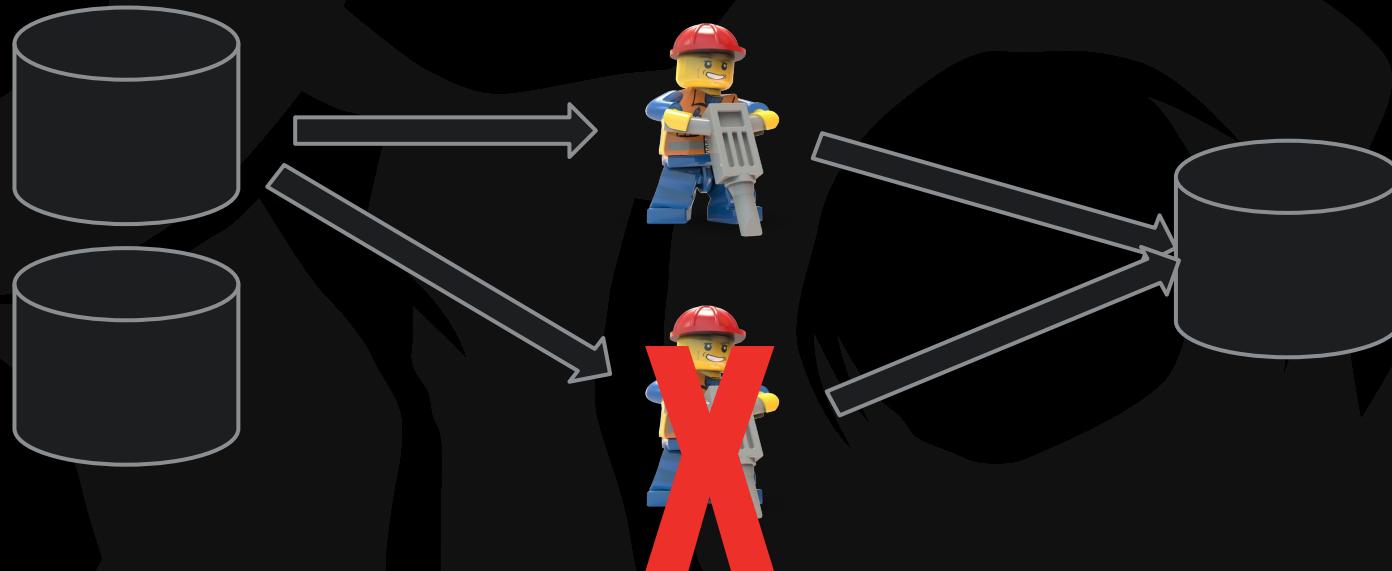
WORKER
aka
CONSUMER

What will happen

In the big data / OLAP world....
(hint: no primary key validation)

```
INSERT INTO games_played
(SELECT * FROM games_played_na
WHERE date >= '2015-10-25')
```

KEEPING INTEGRITY



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The new hotness in big data

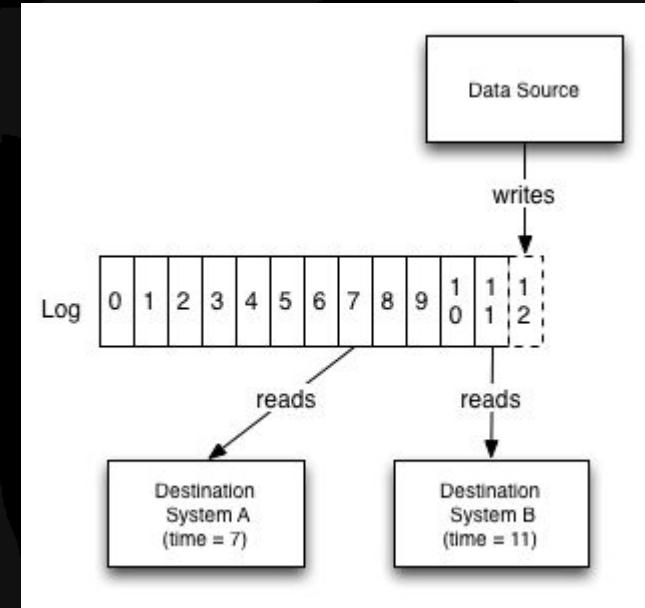
Open-source project maintained by
Confluent

Very fast distributed message queue

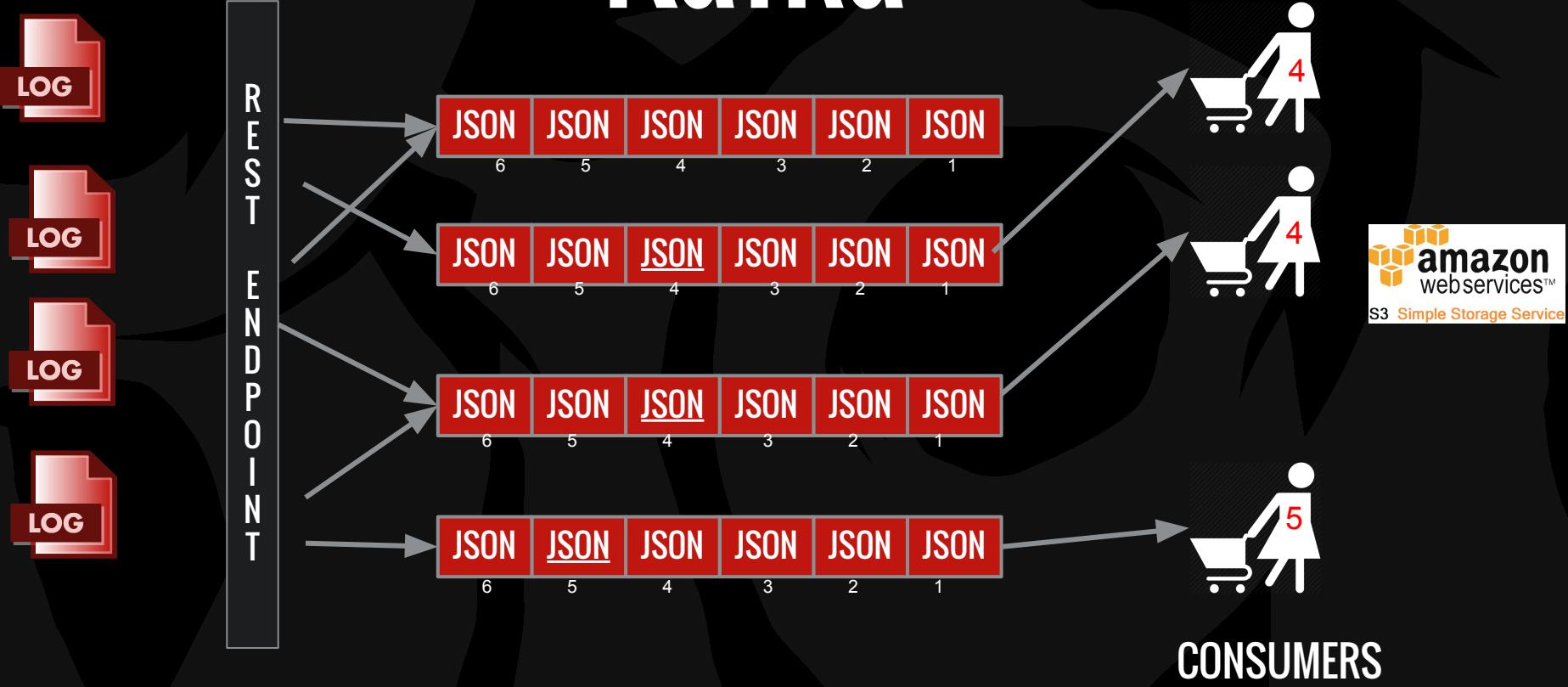
Data is replicated across “partitions”
to ensure no loss

Kafka

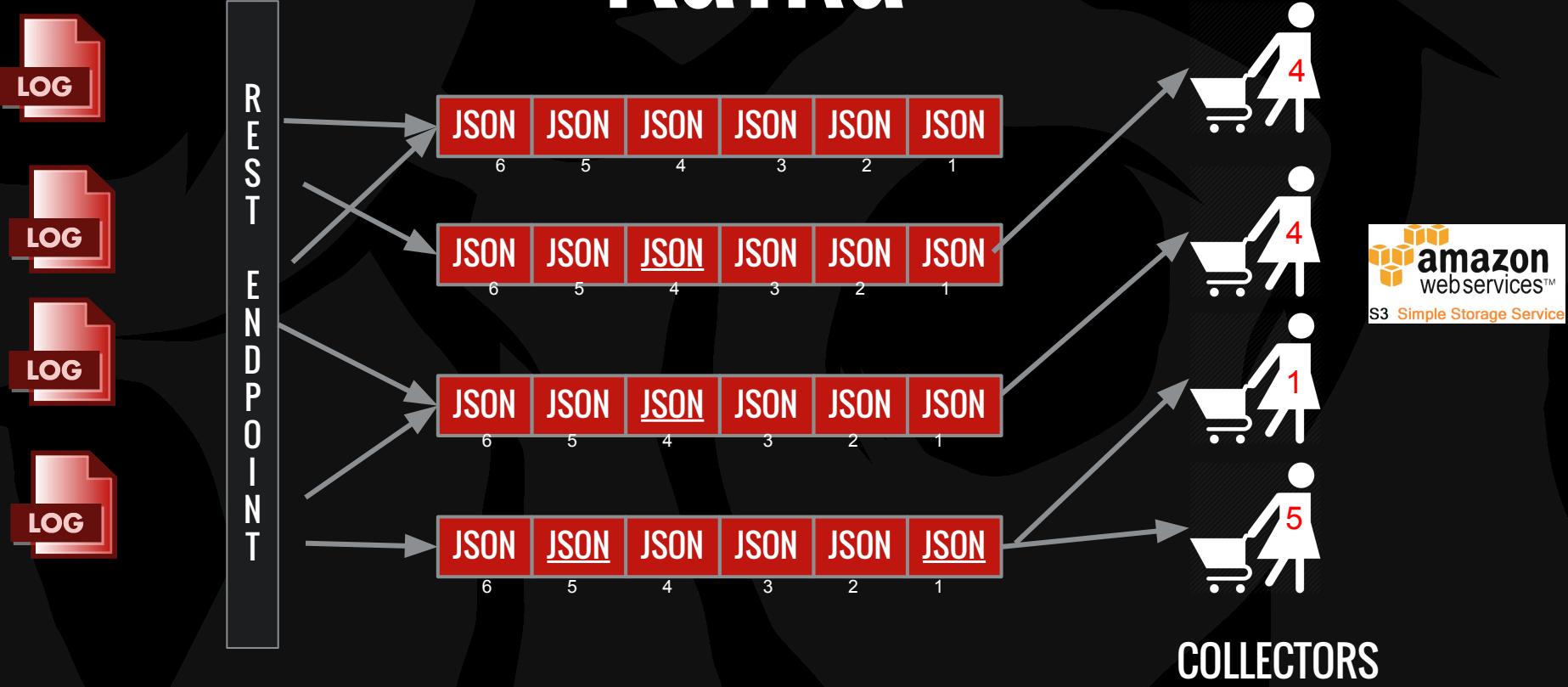
Has a DB Commit Log
(ooh revolutionary)



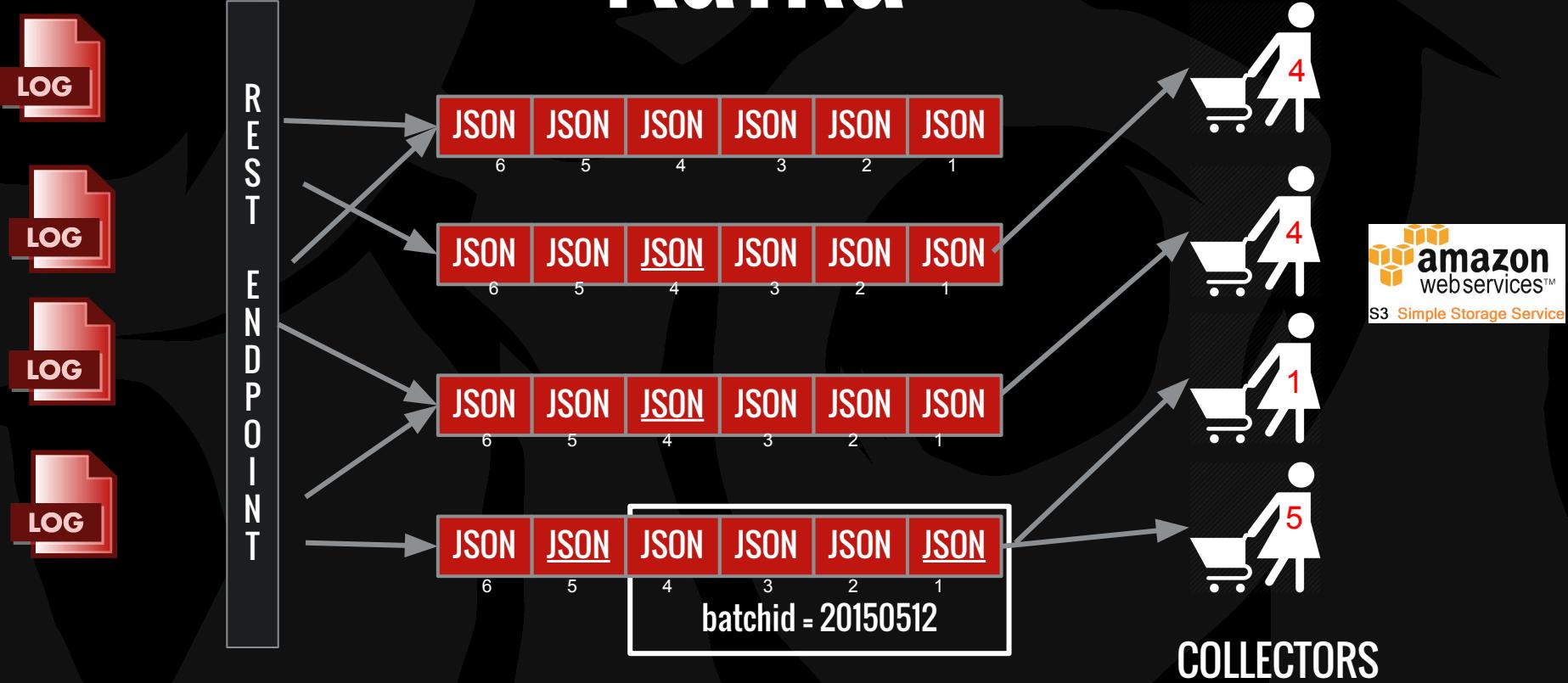
Kafka



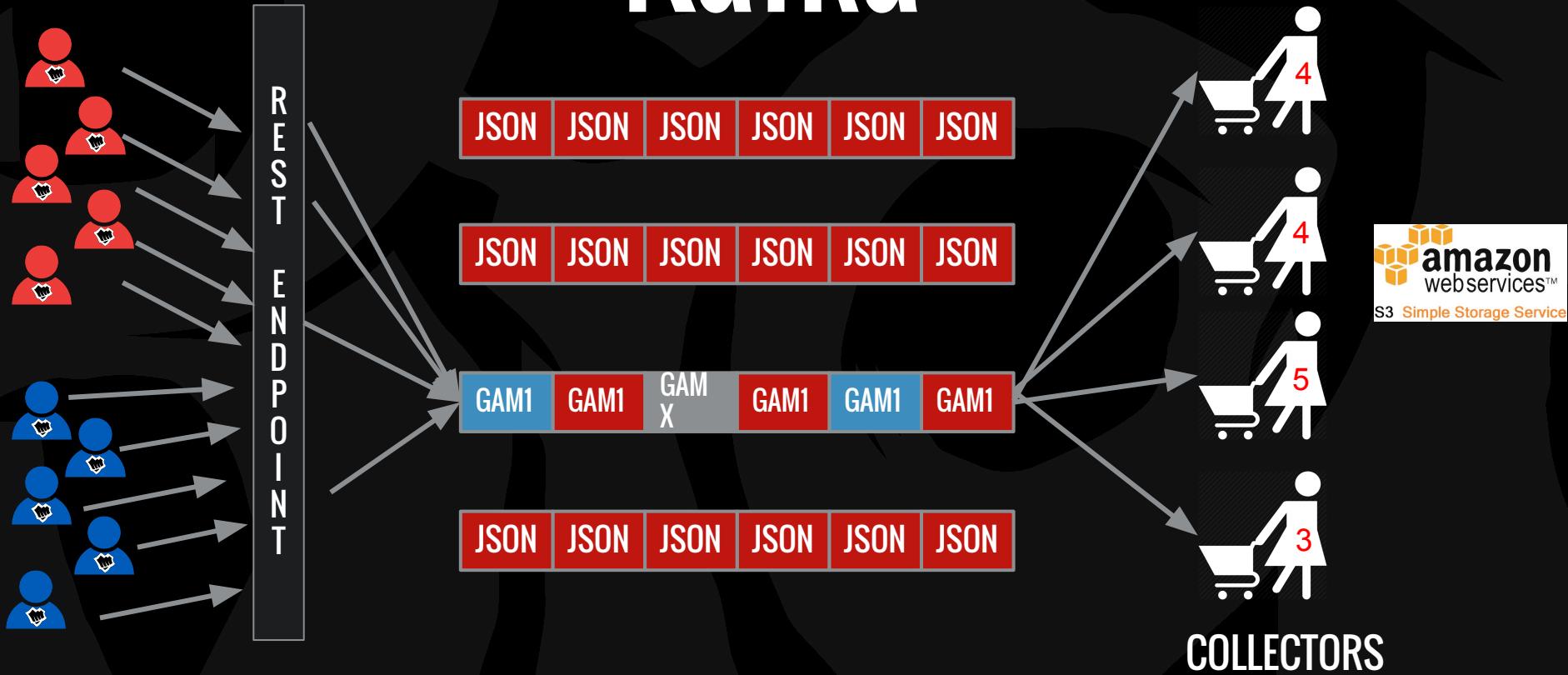
Kafka



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Idempotency

Idempotent - an operation that will produce the same results if executed once or multiple times

EXAMPLE:

Non-Idempotent: - $x = x * 5;$

- Submitting a purchase

Idempotent:

- $\text{abs}(\text{abs}(x)) = \text{abs}(x)$

- Cancelling a purchase

Idempotent?

In the transactional OLTP world....

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Idempotent?

In the big data / OLAP world....

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Idempotency

Use application logic to make **idempotent**

```
msg = queue.pop;  
if (processed_games.contains( msg.game_id )  
{  
    return; //do nothing  
else {  
    process_game(msg);  
}
```

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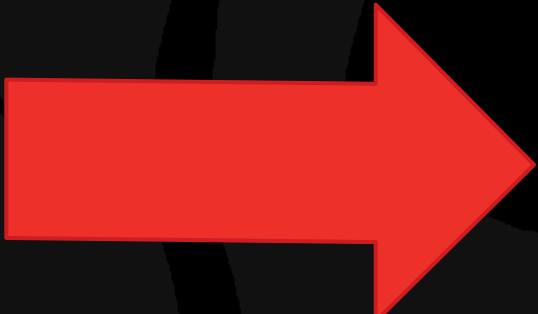
AMAZON S3 STRUCTURE

HIVE

- schema1
 - table1
 - env
 - dt
 - time
 - table2
 - table3
- schema2
 - table1
 - ...
- schema3
- schema4

AMAZON S3

- s3n://datawarehouse/
 - schema1/
 - table1/
 - env/
 - dt/
 - time/
 - table2/
 - table3/
 - schema2/
- s3n://telemetrydata/
 - application1/
 - table1/
 - env/
 - dt/
 - table2/
 - application2/



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Upload Create Folder Actions ▾ Versions: Hide Show None Properties Transfers

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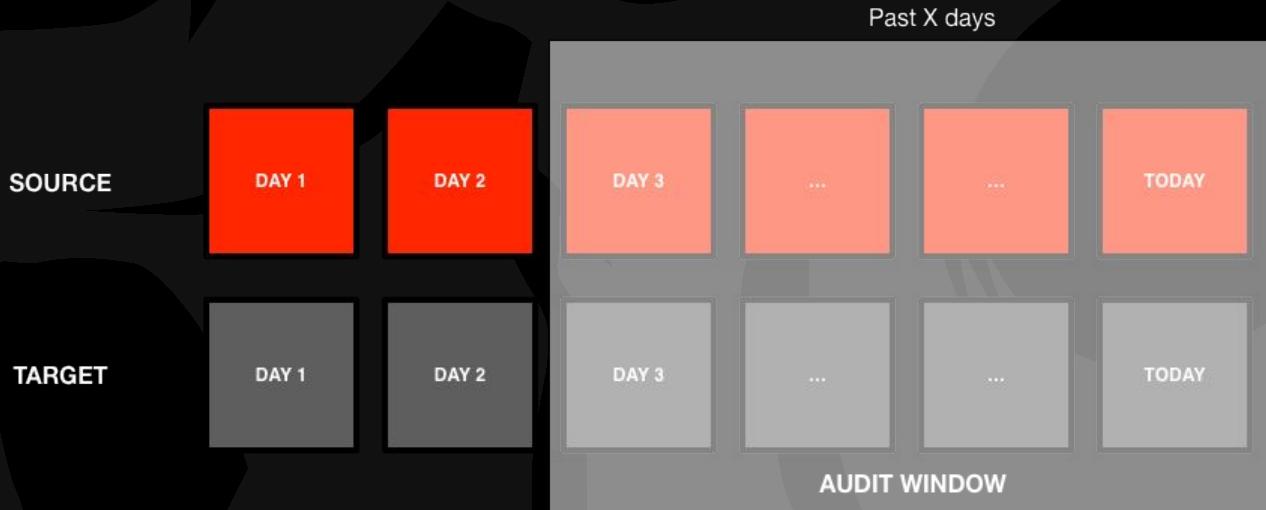
Warehouse
Auditing
Service
Platform

REST micro-service built with Java and docker.

Source and target comparison.

Reports and visualizations we can use to find problems.

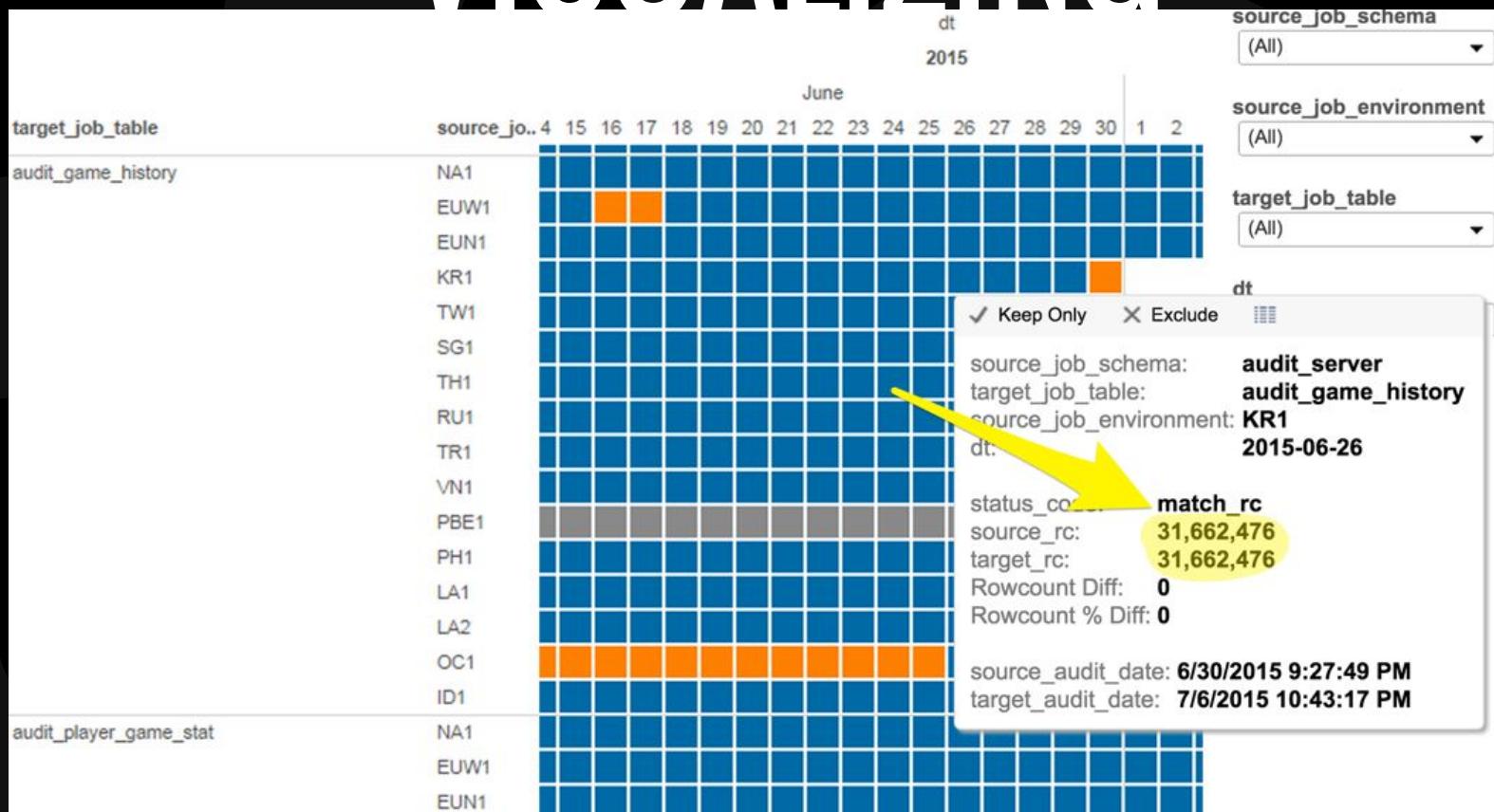
HOW TO AUDIT



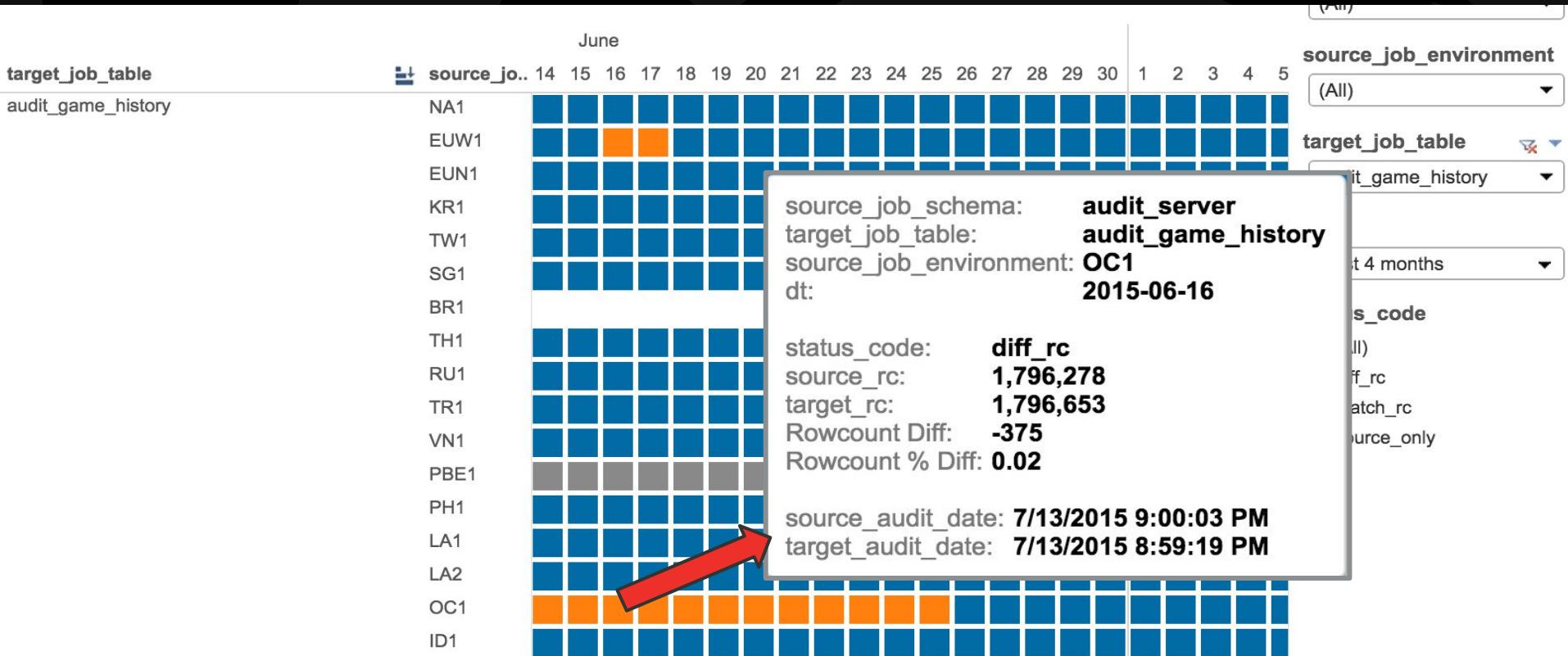
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VISUALIZING



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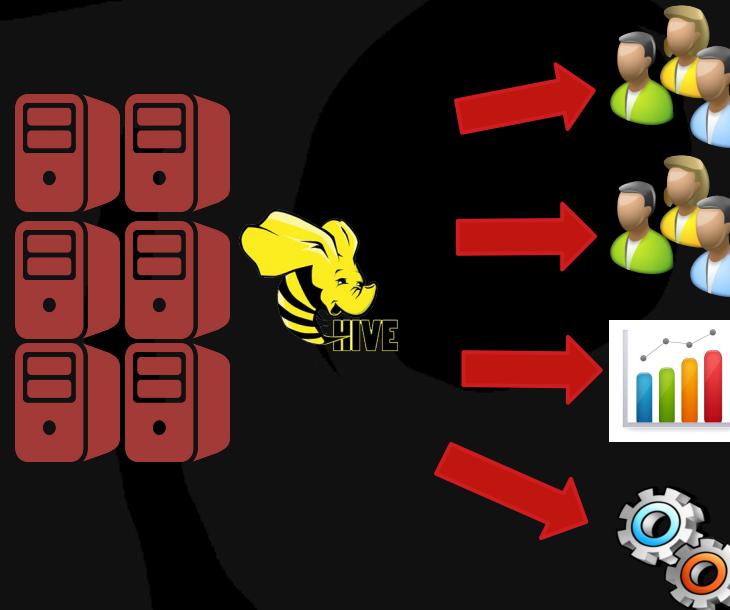
SCALING IN AWS



SCALING

RESOURCE CONTENTION

Hive .08 pre YARN, immature resource scheduling



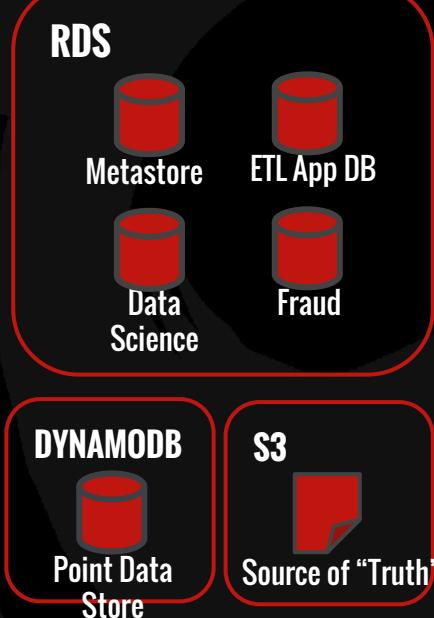
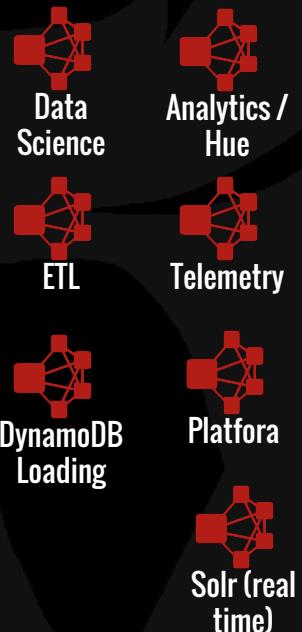
AWS Infrastructure Today

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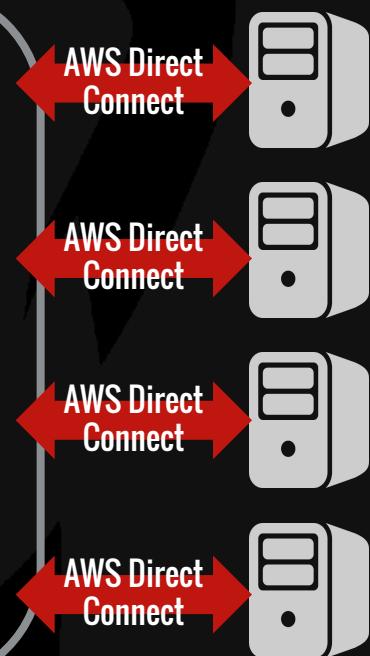
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Storage

Networking



VPC



CONCLUSION



SEAN'S PRO TIPS OF THE DAY

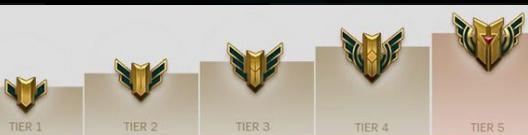
DO

- Keep idempotency in mind and use MQ architecture
- Get an auditing solution for DW accuracy
- Prepare for multiple data access patterns
- Allocate time for tuning AWS infrastructure

DON'T

- Don't underestimate simple problems in big data.
- Don't forget to track cost. AWS bills can surprise you
- Don't wait. Create S3 permissions and naming standards early
- Don't stop. Believing

CHAMPION MASTERY



Custom rewards for mastering
different champions

Intensive query that spans every
game that every player has played

Improves player engagement

PLAYER SUPPORT

YEAH, IF YOU COULD GO AHEAD
AND PUT IN'A HELP DESK TICKET



THAT'D BE GREAT...

Full copy of our data warehouse in
DynamoDB

Hive->DynamoDB Dynamic Partition

Support can answer questions faster
than ever.

OFFENSIVE CHAT DETECTION



Data science team queries all chat messages in game

Sentiment analysis and classification

Identifies negative, offensive players and mutes them automatically.

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