

Introducing Managed IO: the New Era of Beam Connectors

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Agenda

How "normal" pipelines look

Updating to a new SDK

Transform-level upgrading with Managed IOs

How does transform upgrade work exactly?

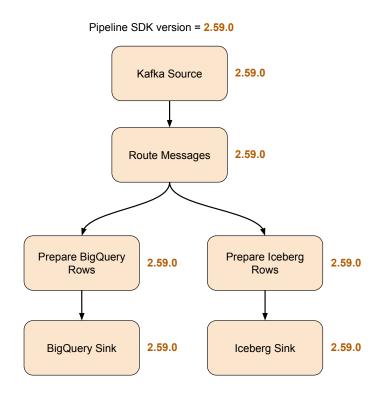
Runner modifying transform configuration

Dataflow runner demo

How "normal" Beam pipelines usually look

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implementation "org.apache.beam:beam-sdks-java-core:2.59.0" implementation "org.apache.beam:beam-sdks-java-io-iceberg:2.59.0" implementation "org.apache.beam:beam-sdks-java-io-kafka:2.59.0" implementation "org.apache.beam:beam-sdks-java-io-google-cloud-platform:2.59.0"
```

```
Pipeline p = Pipeline.create(options);
PCollectionTuple split = p
        .apply(KafkaIO.readBytes()
                .withTopic(topic)
                .withBootstrapServers(address))
        .applv(RouteMessages.of()):
split.get("to_bigguery")
        .apply(PrepareBigQueryRows.of())
        .apply(BigQueryIO.write()
                .to(tableSpec)
                .withMethod(STORAGE_WRITE_API)
                .withTriggeringFrequency(Duration.standardSeconds(5))
                .withSchema(tableSchema));
split.get("to_iceberg")
        .apply(PrepareIcebergRows.of())
        .apply(IcebergIO.writeRows(catalogConfig)
                .to(tableIdentifier)
                .withTriggeringFrequency(Duration.standardSeconds(5)));
```



Updating to a newer SDK

Pros

Particular IOs have

- New features
- Bug fixes
- Performance improvements

Taking care of security vulnerabilities



Cons

Maintenance overhead

Compatibility with the rest of your project

Going through dependency hell

Potential regression in other parts of the SDK

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Enter Transform Service and Managed IOs

Service that replaces individual transforms

--transformsToOverride=beam:schematransform:org.apache.beam:iceberg_write:v1

--transformServiceBeamVersion=2.65.0

Beam **translates** the transform's configuration into bytes and stores it in the proto pipeline graph.

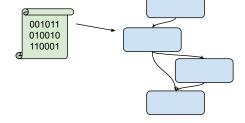
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Unified interface:

Java

Python

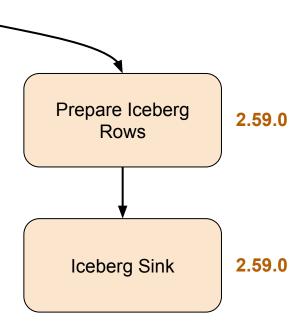
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beam.managed.Write("iceberg", config={
         "table", "abc.xyz",
         "triggering_frequency_seconds", 10,
         "catalog_name", "my_catalog",
         ...})
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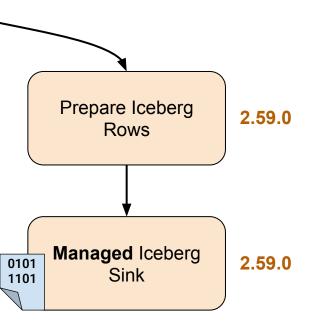
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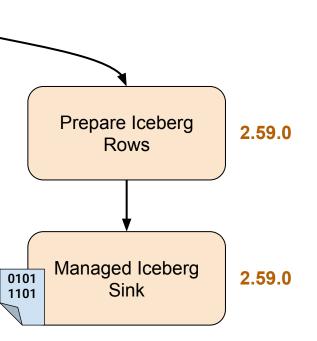
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SDK and Runner have the ability to:

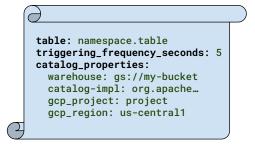
- Upgrade the transform
- Modify the transform's configuration

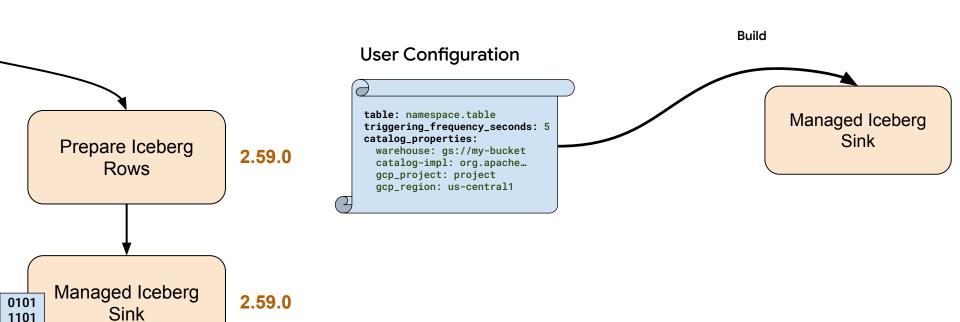


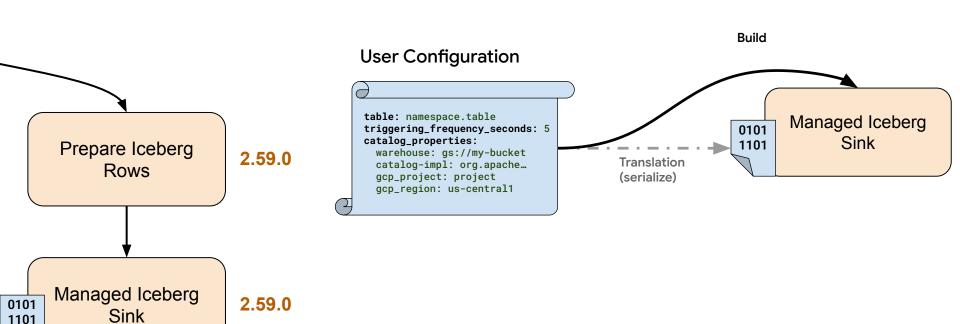




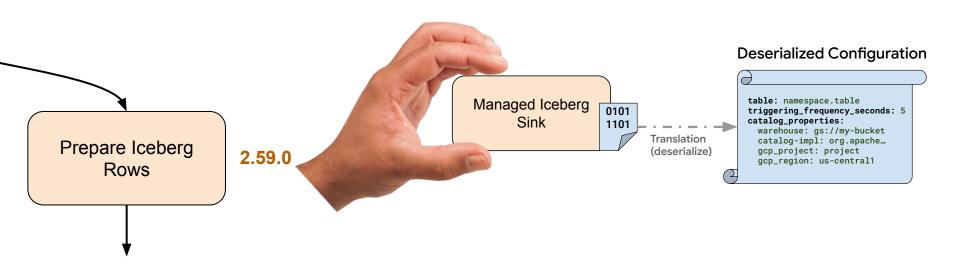
User Configuration

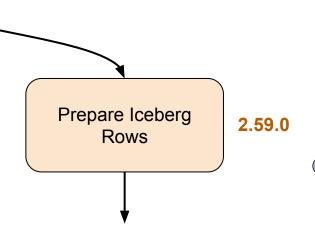




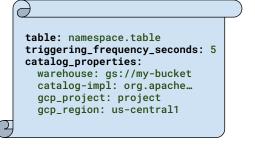




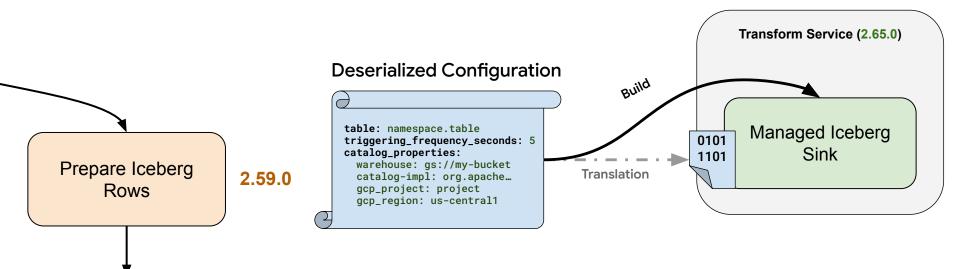


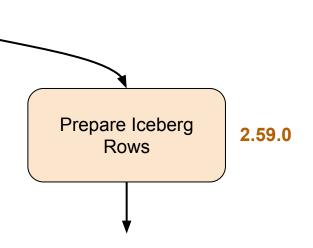


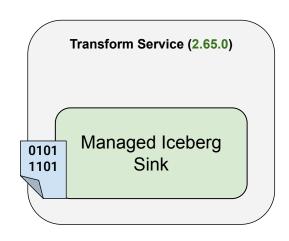
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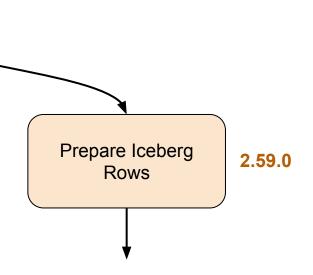


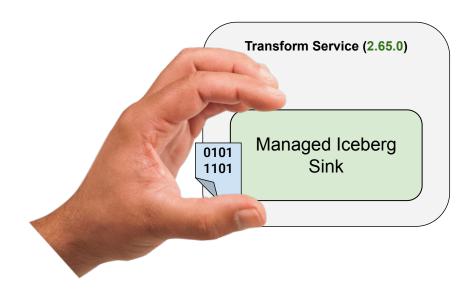










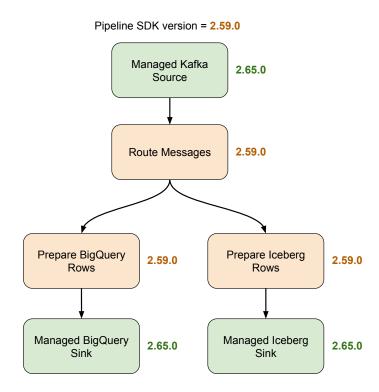




Beam pipeline with Managed IOs

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```
PCollectionTuple split = p
        .apply(Managed.read(KAFKA).withConfig(
                Map.of("format", "RAW",
                       "topic", "test-topic",
                       "bootstrap_servers", "host:port")))
        .apply(ParseMessages.of());
split.get("to_bigguery")
        .apply(PrepareBigQueryRows.of())
        .appl(Managed.write(BIGQUERY).withConfig(
                Map.of("table", tableSpec))):
split.get("to_iceberg")
        .apply(PrepareIcebergRows.of())
        .apply(Managed.write(ICEBERG).withConfig(
                Map.of("table", tableIdentifier,
                       "catalog_properties", catalogProps,
                       "triggering_frequency_seconds", 5)));
```



Demo (Portable runner)





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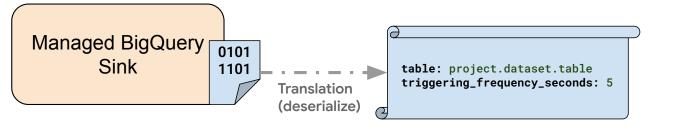
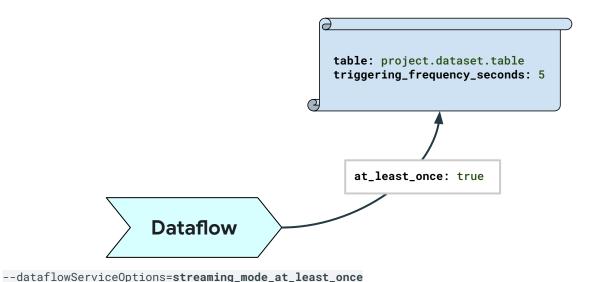
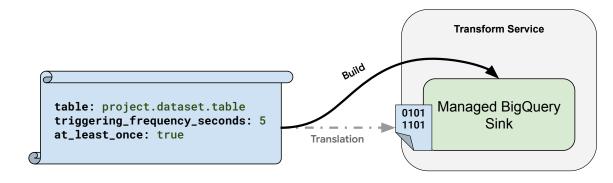


table: project.dataset.table triggering_frequency_seconds: 5



--dataflowServiceOptions=streaming_mode_at_least_once







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Dataflow Runner V2

- Automatically detects Managed IOs and upgrade them to the latest version.
- When updating a streaming pipeline, it will first attempt to upgrade to a newer version.

Demo (Dataflow runner)





Thank you!

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