

# Modern Data Pipelines

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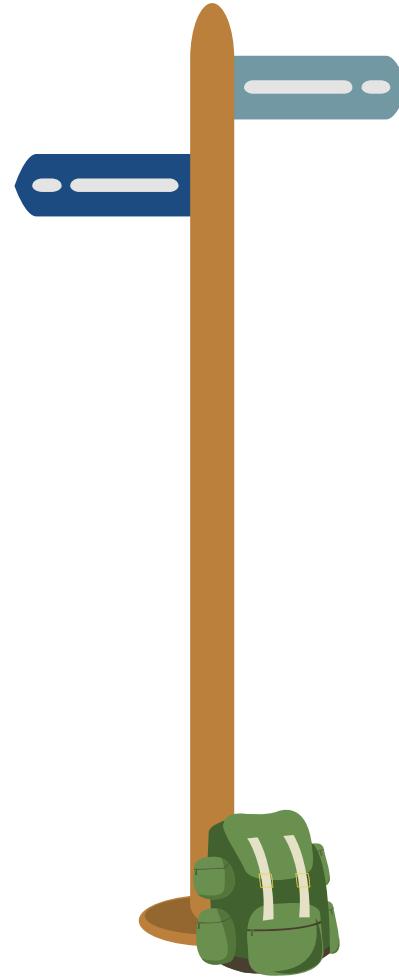
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# Agenda

- Modern Data Pipeline Overview
- Kafka
- Akka Streams
- Play Framework
- Flink
- Cassandra
- Spark Streaming



Code

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# Modern Data Pipelines

Real-Time, Distributed, Decoupled

# Why Streaming Pipelines

## Real Time Value

- Allow business to react to data in real-time instead of batch

## Real Time Intelligence

- Provide real-time information so that the apps can use the information and adapt their user interactions

Distributed data processing that is both scalable and resilient

Clickstream analysis

Real-time anomaly detection

Instant (< 10 s) feedback - ex. real time concurrent video viewers / page views

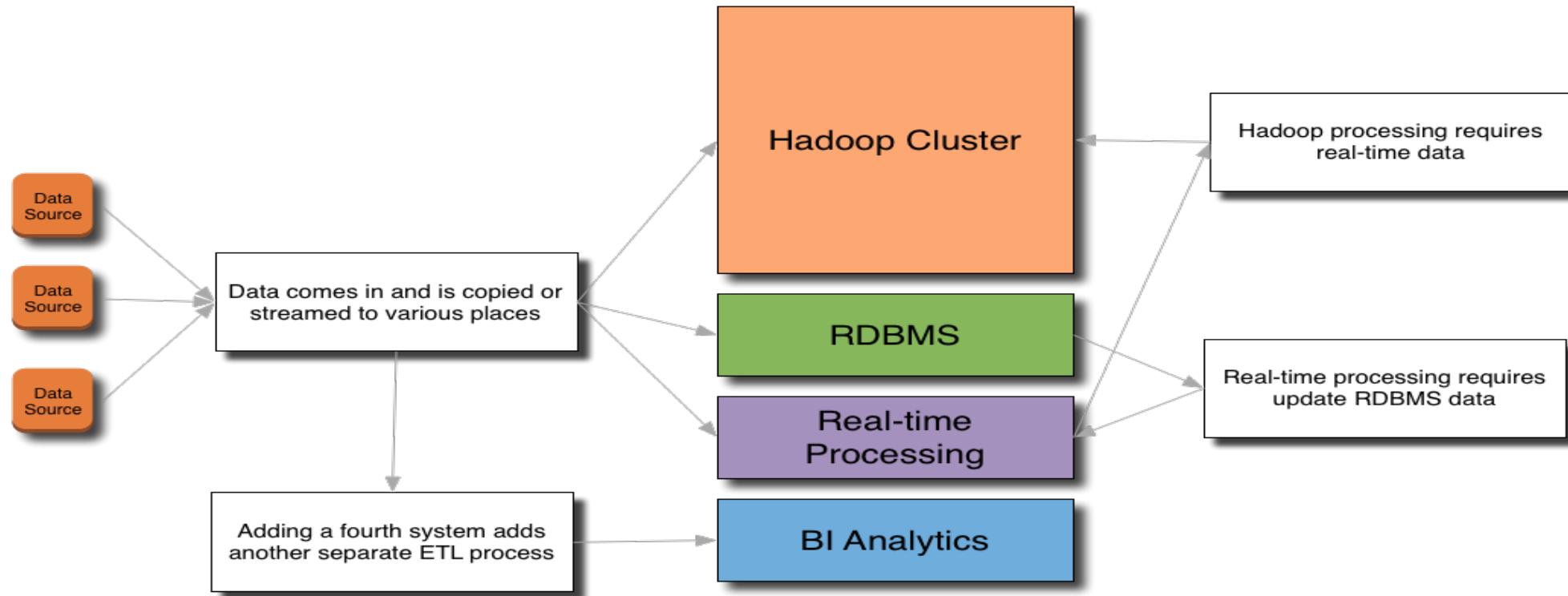


# Data Pipeline Requirements

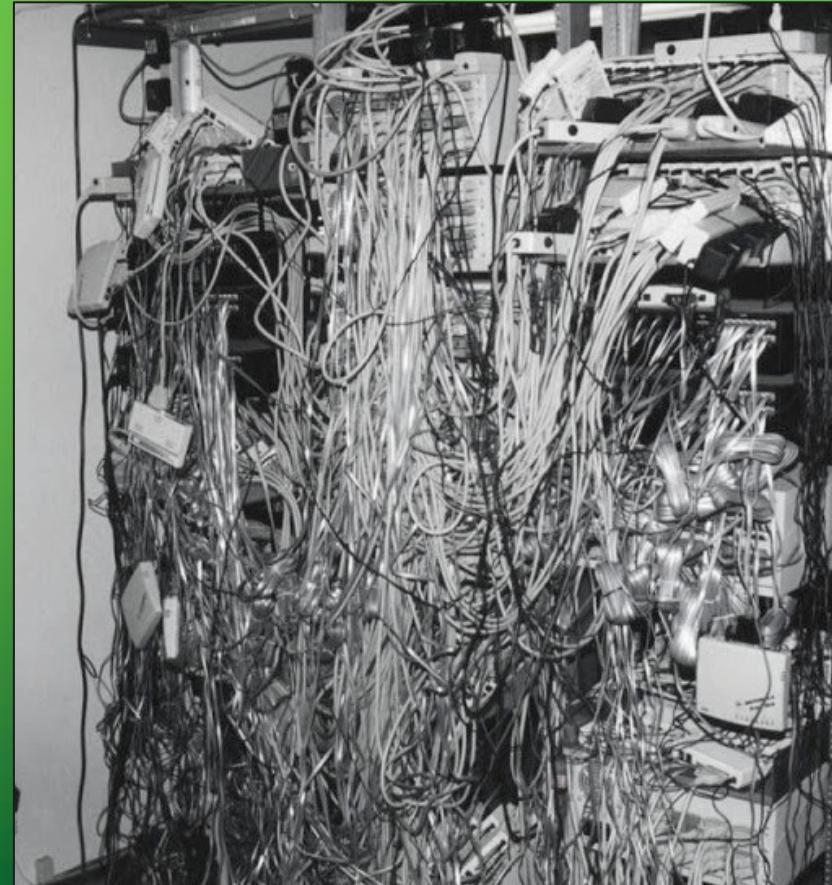
- Ability to process massive amounts of data
- Handle data from a wider variety of sources
- Highly Available
- Resilient - not just fault tolerant
- Distributed for Scale of Data and Transactions
- Elastic
- Uniformity - all-JVM based for easy deployment and management



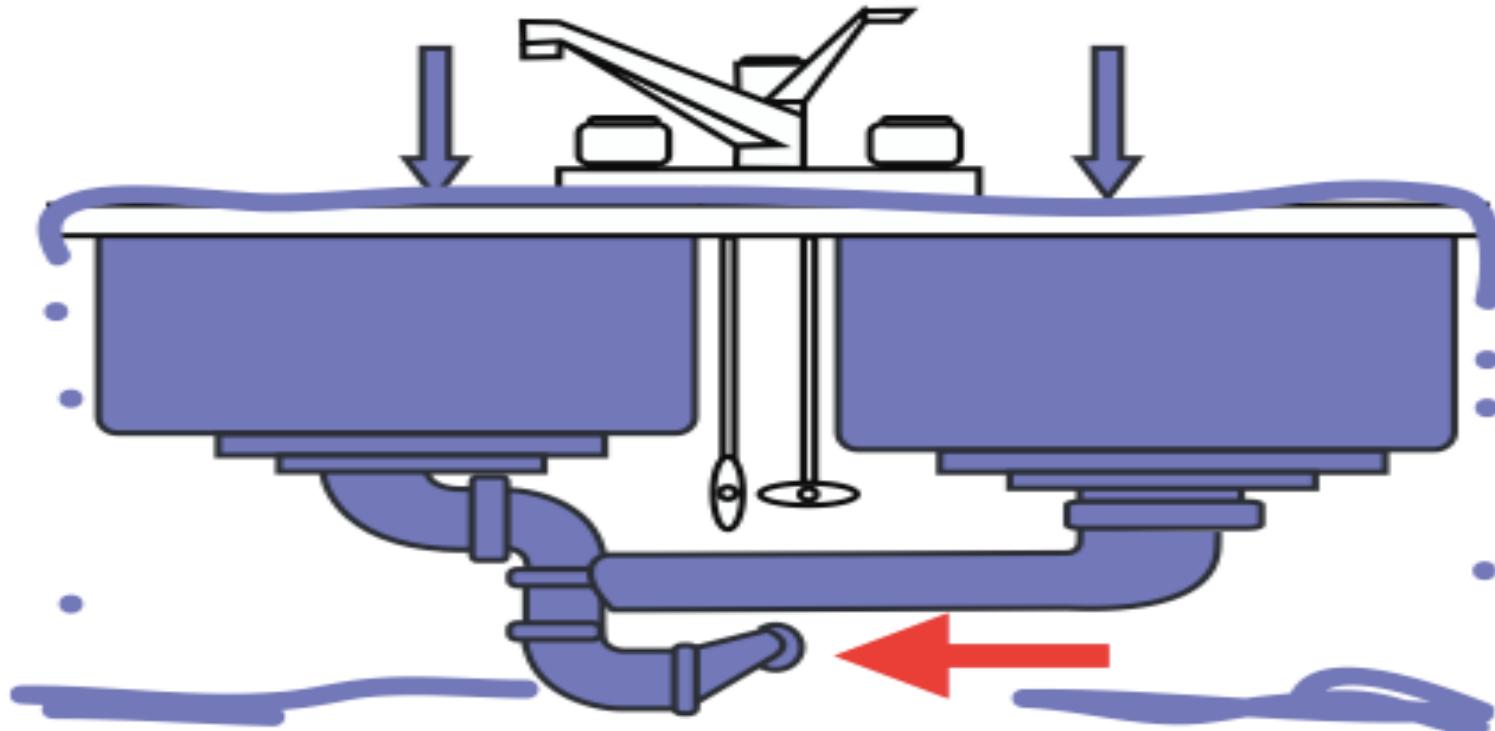
# Traditional ETL



# Data Integration Today

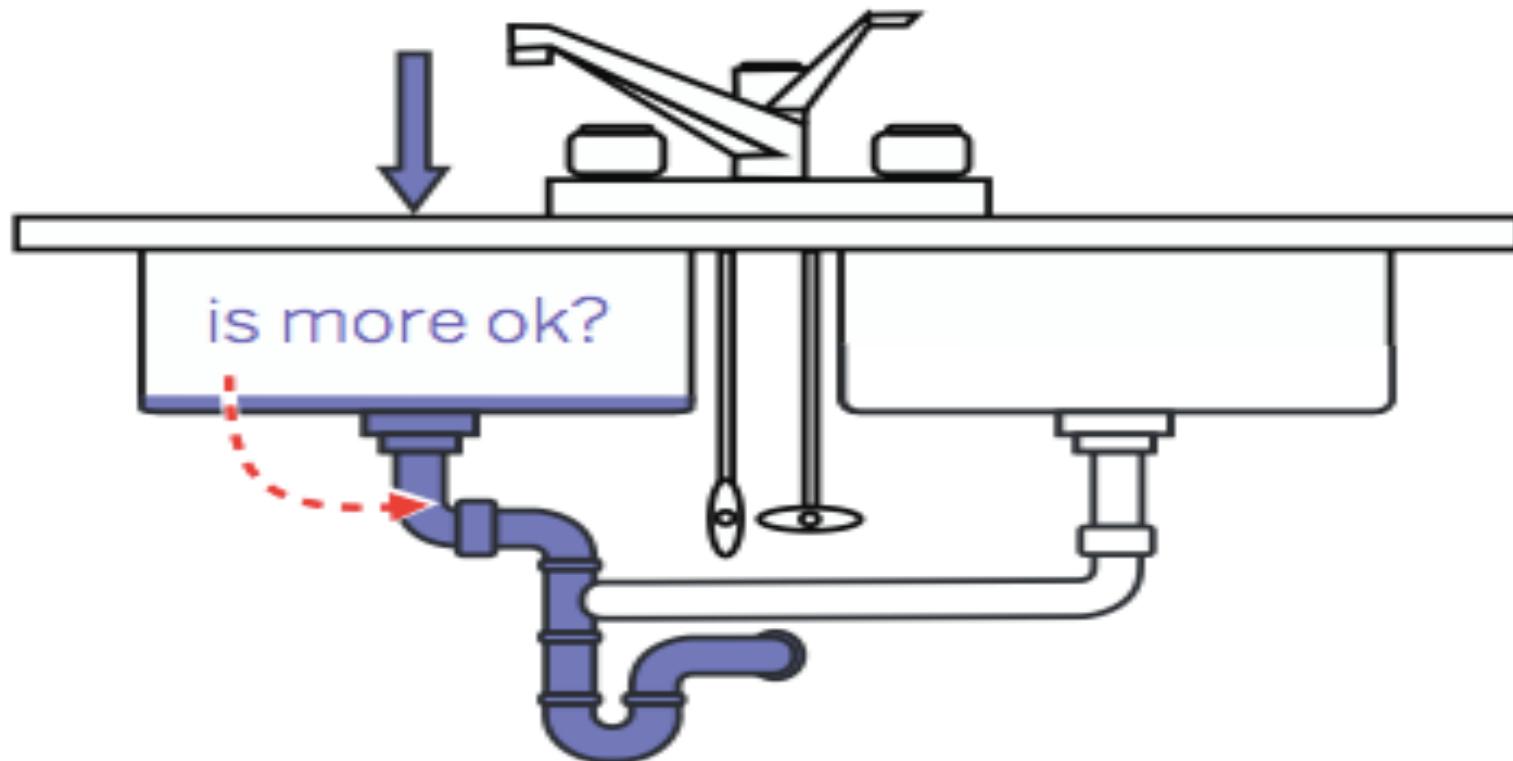


# Data Pipelines today



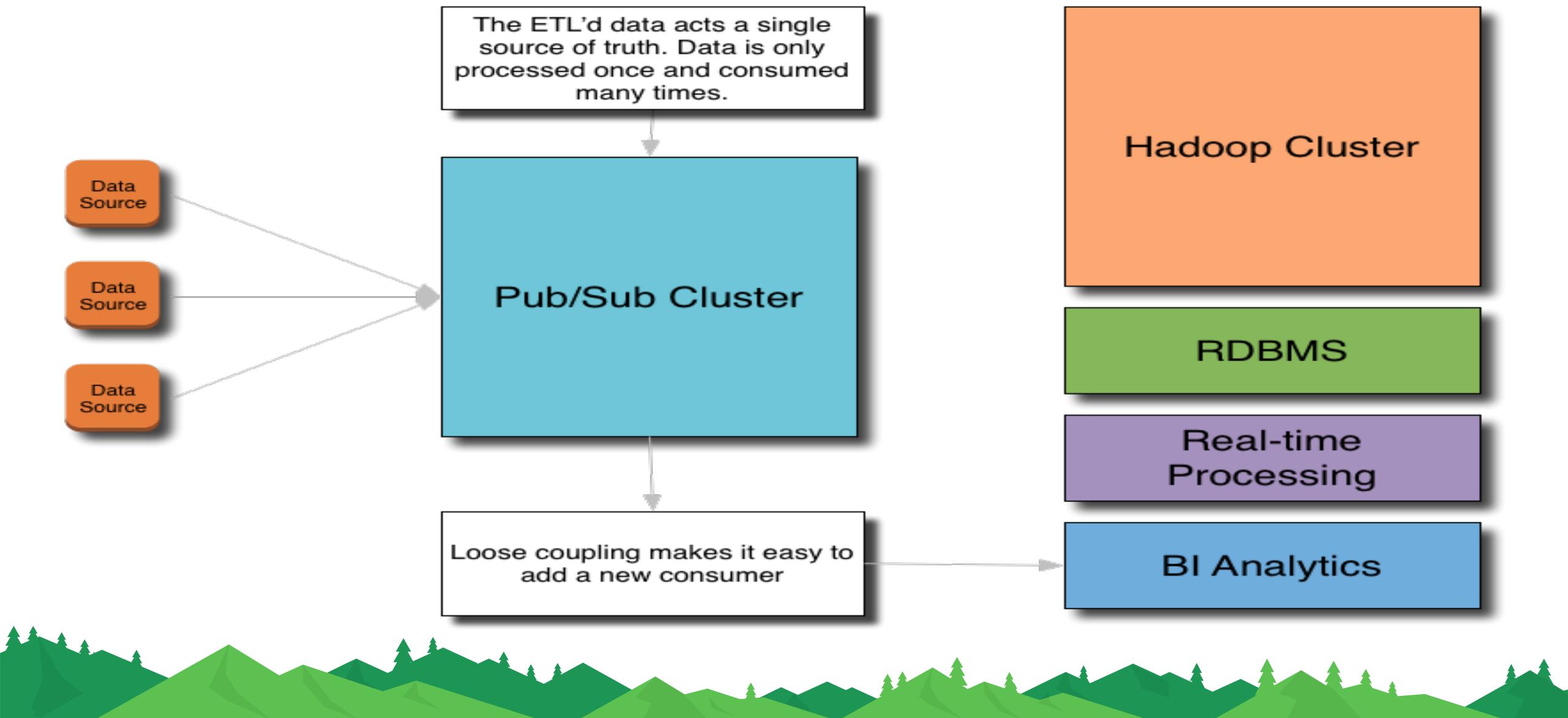
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# Backpressure

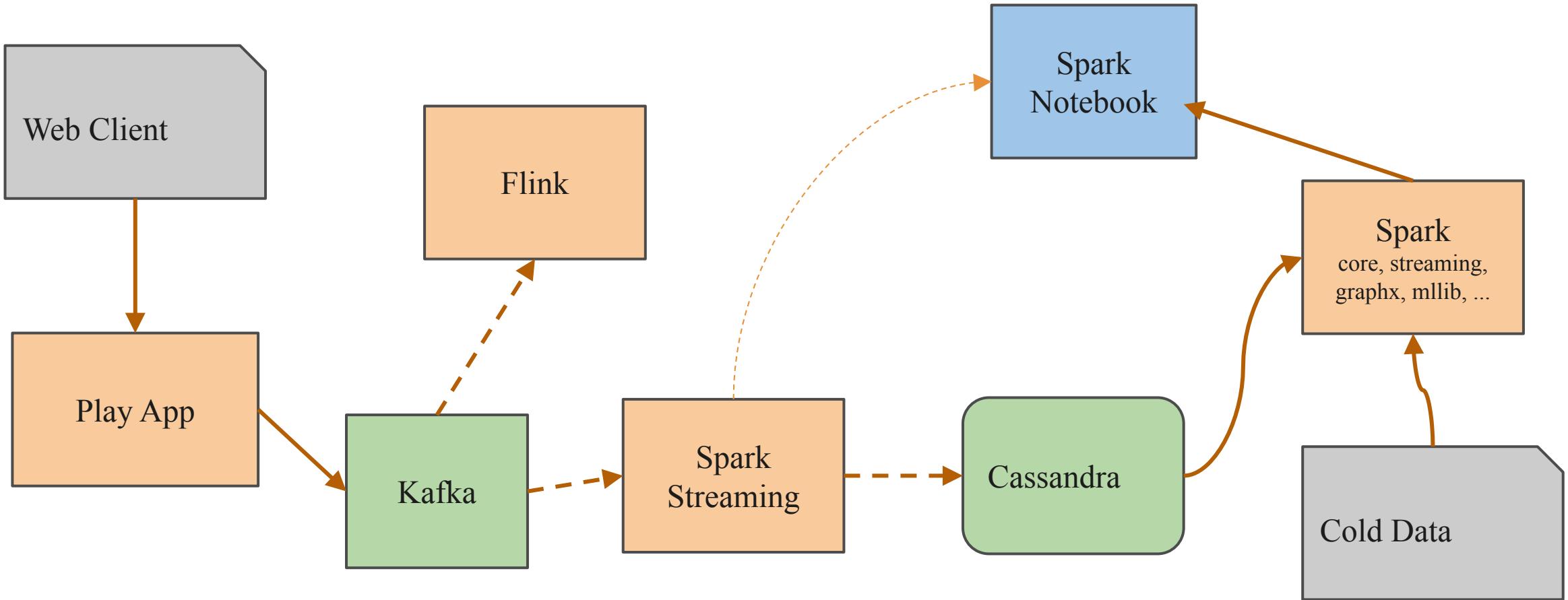


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# Data Hub / Stream Processing

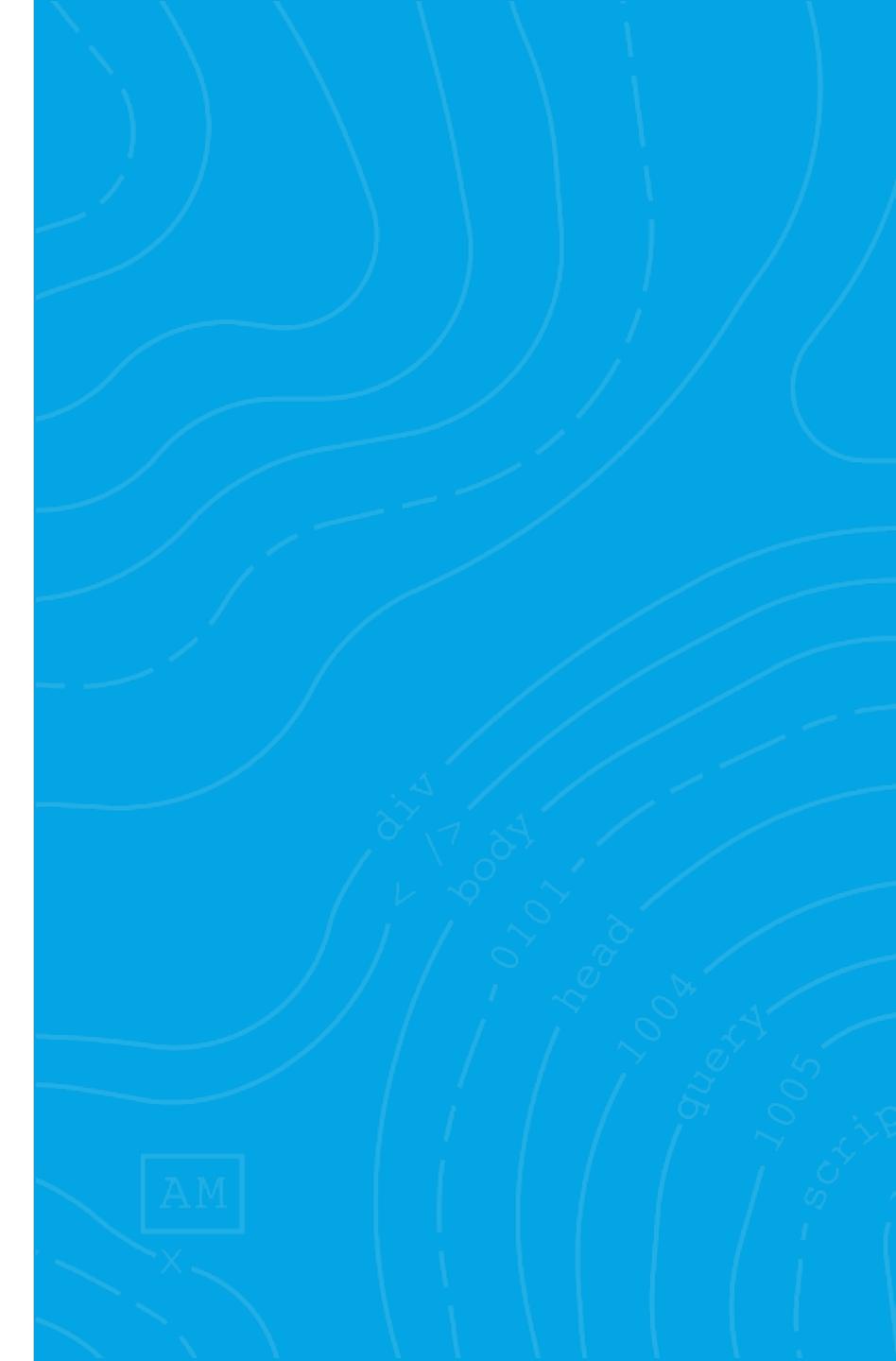


# Pipeline Architecture



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# Kafka

## Distributed Commit Logs

# What is Kafka?

Kafka is a distributed and partitioned commit log

Replacement for traditional message queues and publish subscribe systems

Central Data Backbone or Hub

Designed to scale transparently with replication across the cluster



# Core Principles

1. One pipeline to rule them all
2. Stream processing >> messaging
3. Clusters not servers
4. Pull Not Push



# Kafka Characteristics

Scalability of a filesystem

- Hundreds of MB/sec/server throughput
- Many TB per server

Durable - Guarantees of a database

- Messages strictly ordered
- All data persistent

Distributed by default

- Replication
- Partitioning model



# Kafka is about logs

Michel Solanda		
1862		
4th	2 lbs Tobacco 2.00	\$2.00
" 22d	1 Pipe Tobacco	\$3.00
Oct 20th	1 Dozen Pipes 2.00	\$0.25
" 30th	2 lbs Tobacco 2.00	\$2.00
Dec 1st	1 Pair Bragens	\$2.50
" "	1 Under Shirt	\$1.00
" "	1 Lin Drapery	\$1.50
" "	1 Wool Shirt	\$2.50
Jan 1st 1863	2 lbs Tobacco 2.00	\$2.00
Feb 1st "	2 Pips 2.00	\$0.10
March 15th	3 lbs Soap 2.00	\$0.24
" 21st	1 lb. 11 Tobacco Dec 9.25	
" "	1 Dozen Pipes 2.00	\$0.25
April 21 "	4 lbs Tobacco	\$0.40
		\$17.95
John D. Est.		

# The Event Log

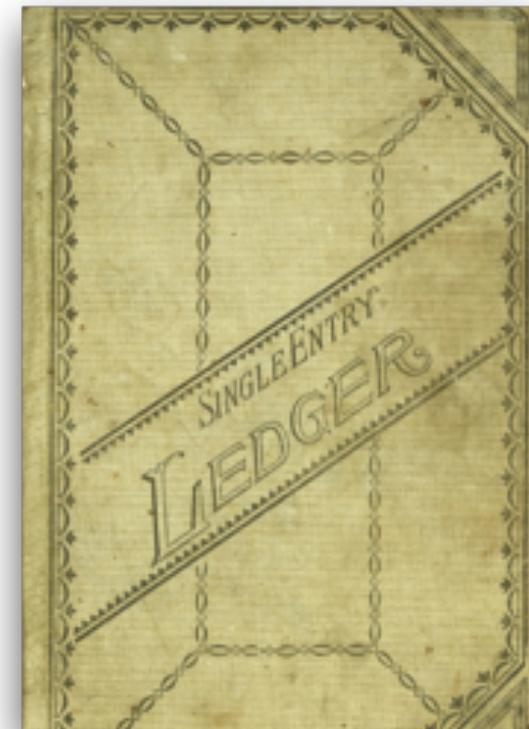
Append-Only Logging

Database of Facts

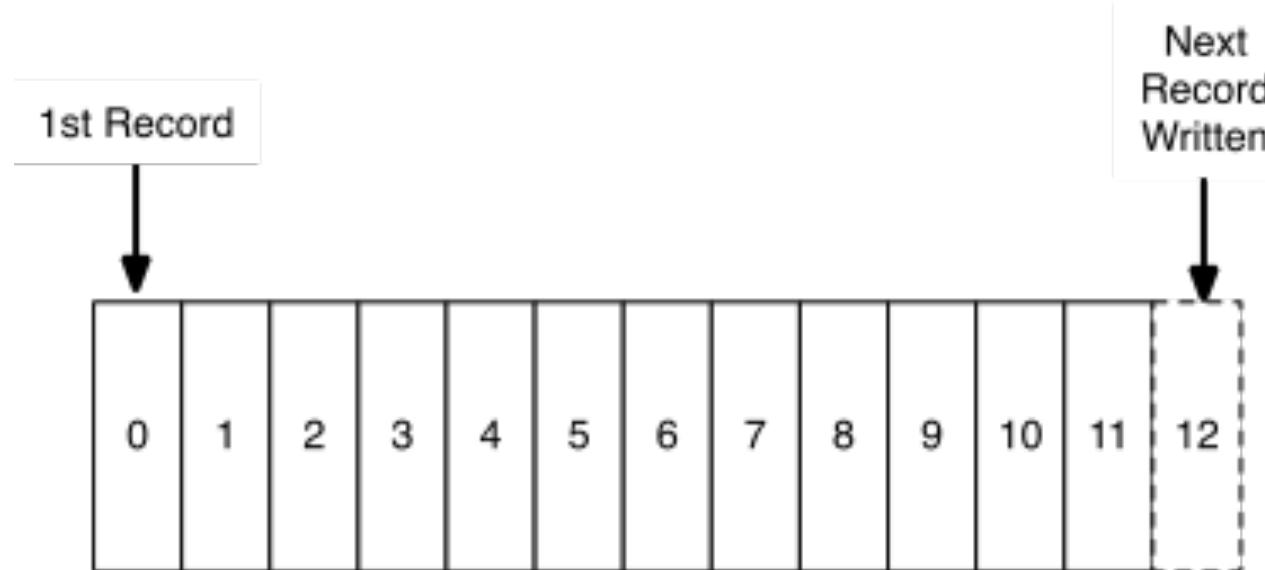
Disks are Cheap

Why Delete Data any more?

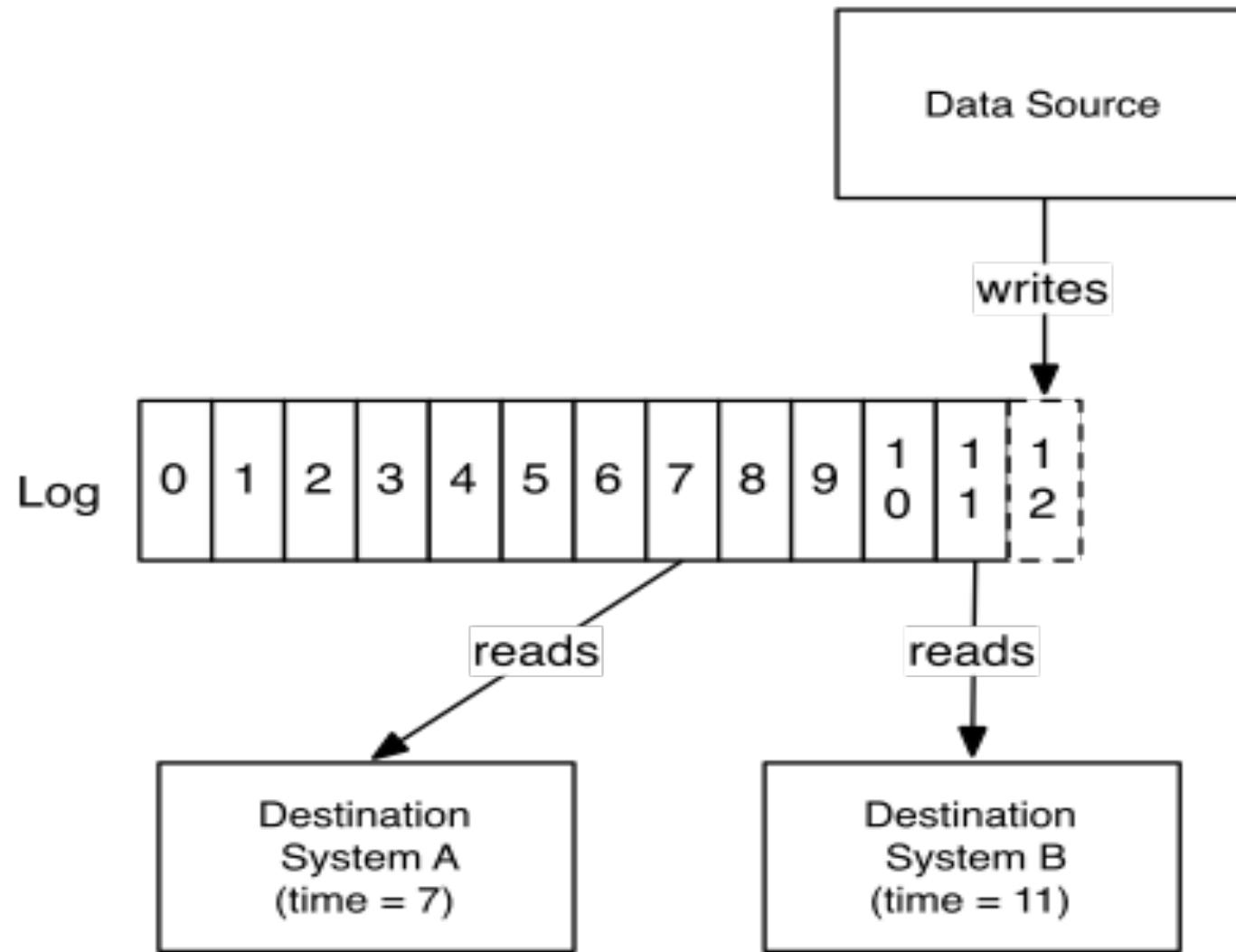
Replay Events



# Append Only Logging

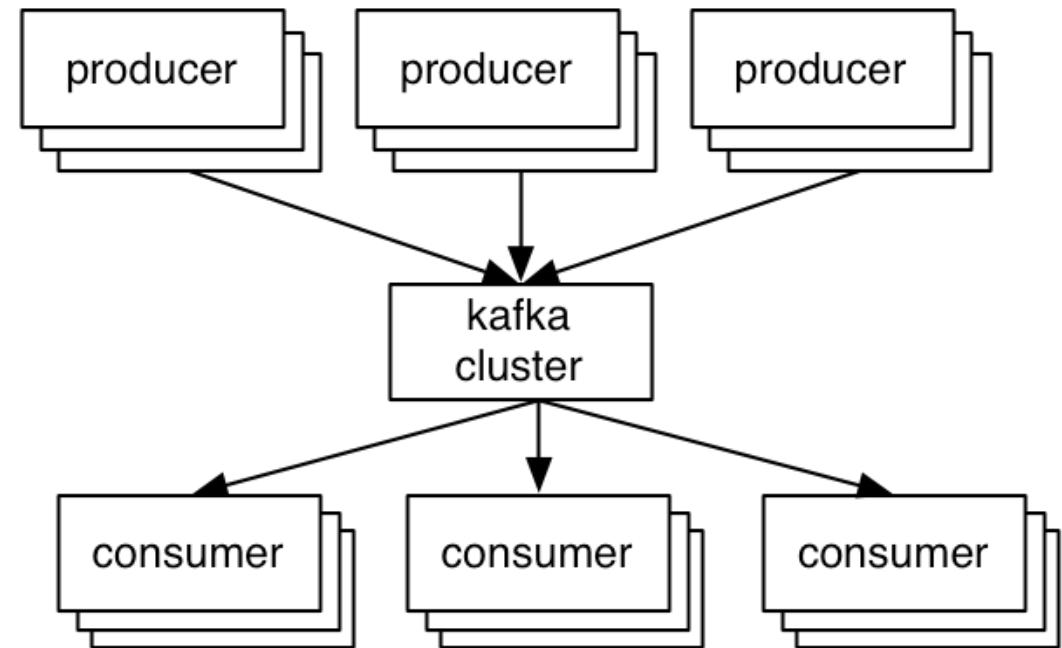


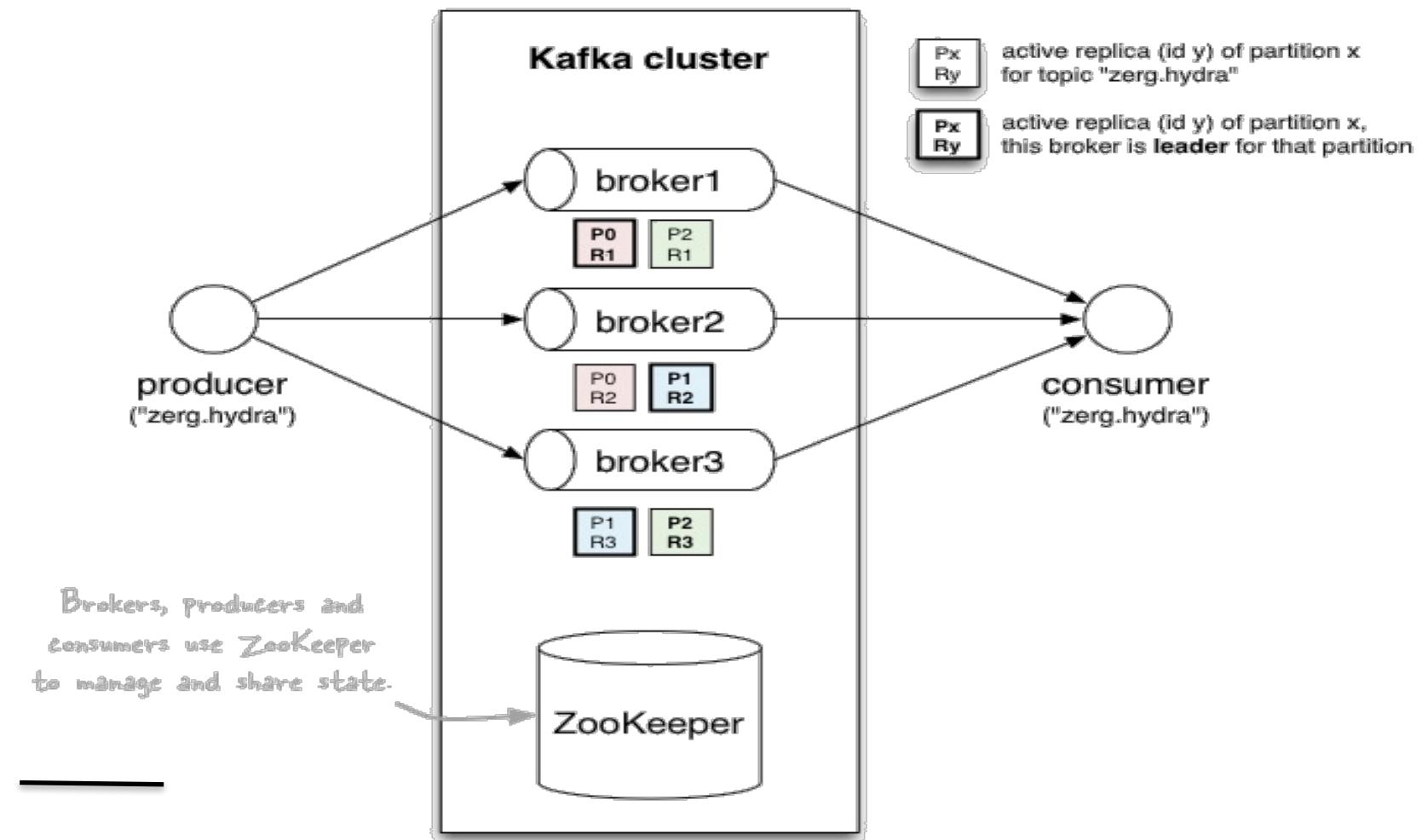
# Logs: pub/sub done right



# Kafka Overview

- **Producers** write data to **brokers**.
- **Consumers** read data from **brokers**.
- **Brokers** - Each server running Kafka is called a broker.
- All this is distributed.
- Data
  - Data is stored in **topics**.
  - Topics are split into **partitions**, which are replicated.
- **Built in Parallelism and Scale**

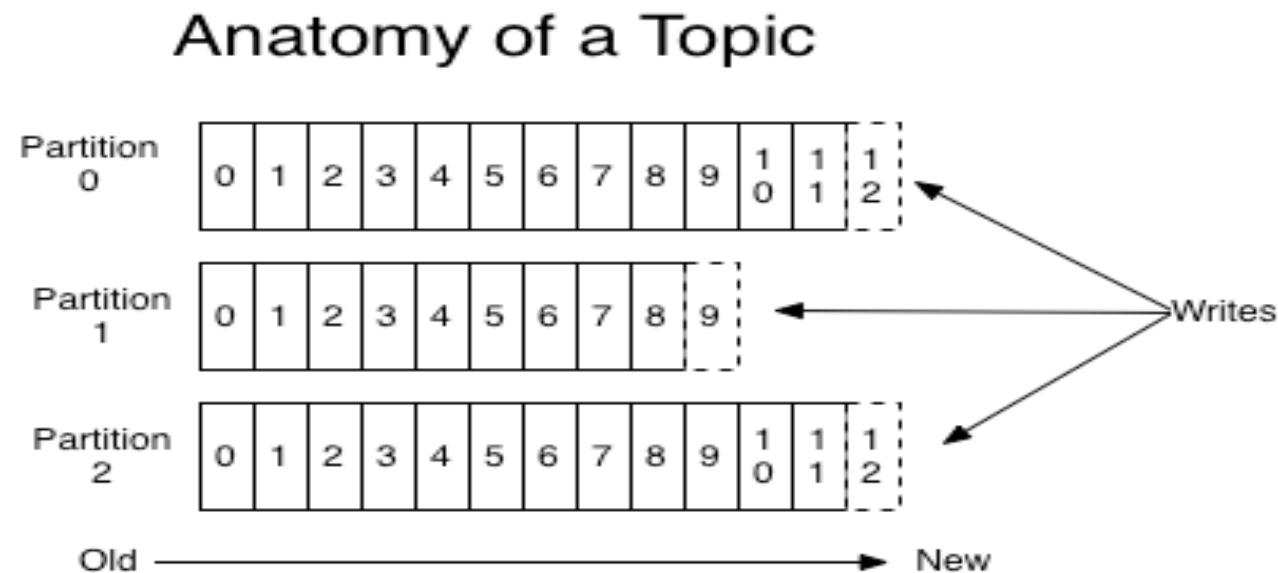




# Partitions

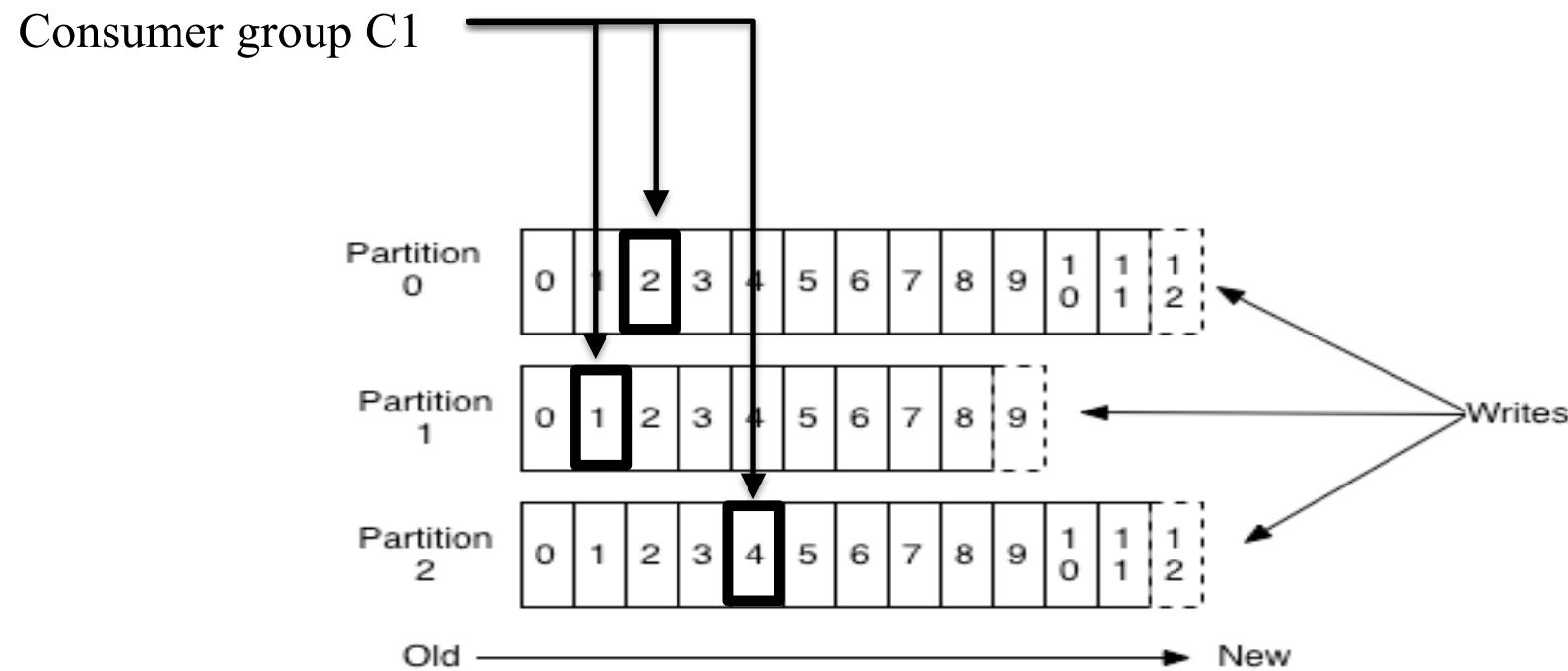
A topic consists of **partitions**.

Partition: **ordered + immutable** sequence of messages  
that is continually appended to



# Partition offsets

- **Offset:** messages in the partitions are each assigned a unique (per partition) and sequential id called the *offset*
  - Consumers track their pointers via  $(\text{offset}, \text{partition}, \text{topic})$  tuples



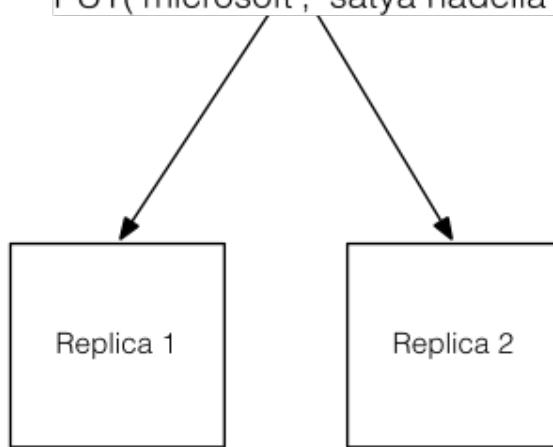
# Example:

# A Fault-tolerant CEO Hash Table



# Operations

```
PUT('microsoft', 'bill gates')
PUT('apple', 'steve jobs')
PUT('microsoft', 'steve ballmer')
PUT('google', 'larry page')
PUT('yahoo', 'terry semel')
PUT('google', 'eric schmidt')
PUT('yahoo', 'jerry yang')
PUT('yahoo', 'carol bartz')
PUT('apple', 'tim cook')
PUT('google', 'larry page')
PUT('yahoo', 'scott thompson')
PUT('yahoo', 'marissa mayer')
PUT('microsoft', 'satya nadella')
```

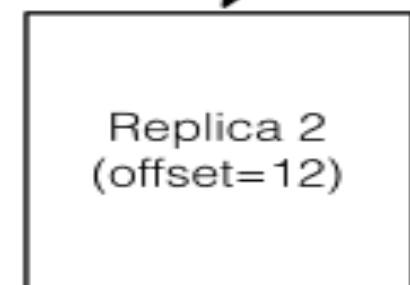


Final State

```
{  
  'microsoft': 'satya nadella',  
  'apple': 'tim cook',  
  'google': 'larry page',  
  'yahoo': 'marissa mayer'  
}
```

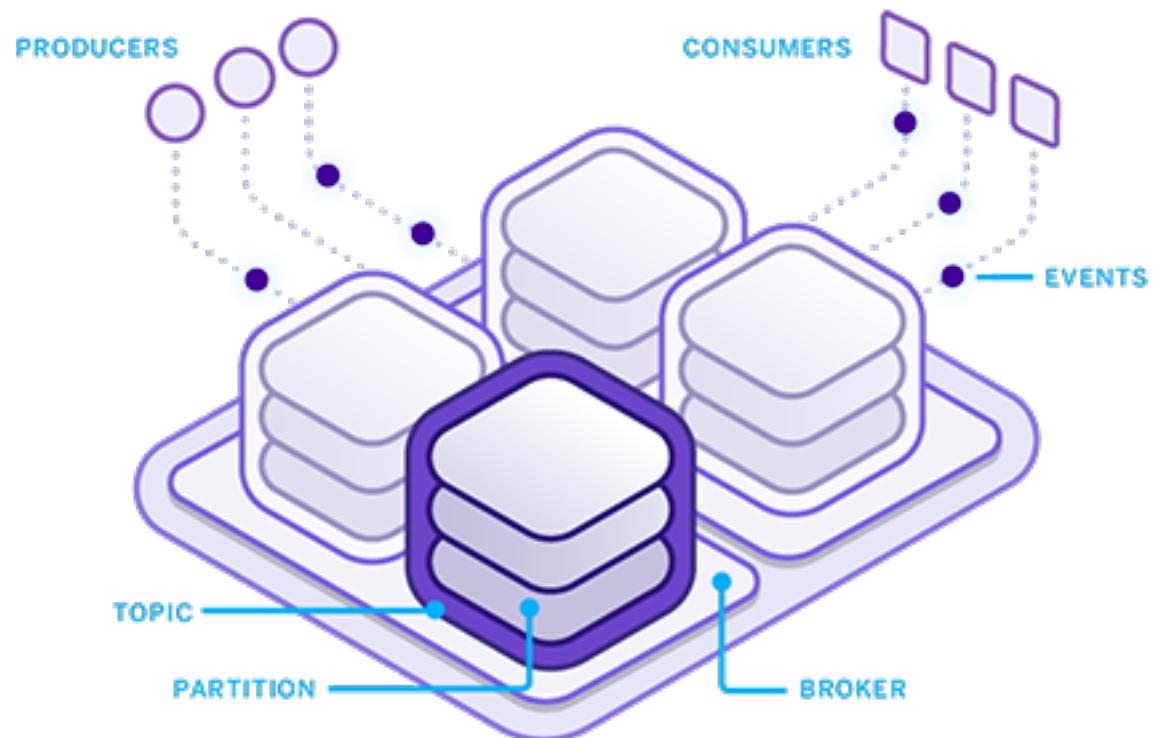
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4	PUT(yahoo, terry semel)
5	PUT(google, eric schmidt)
6	PUT(yahoo, jerry yang)
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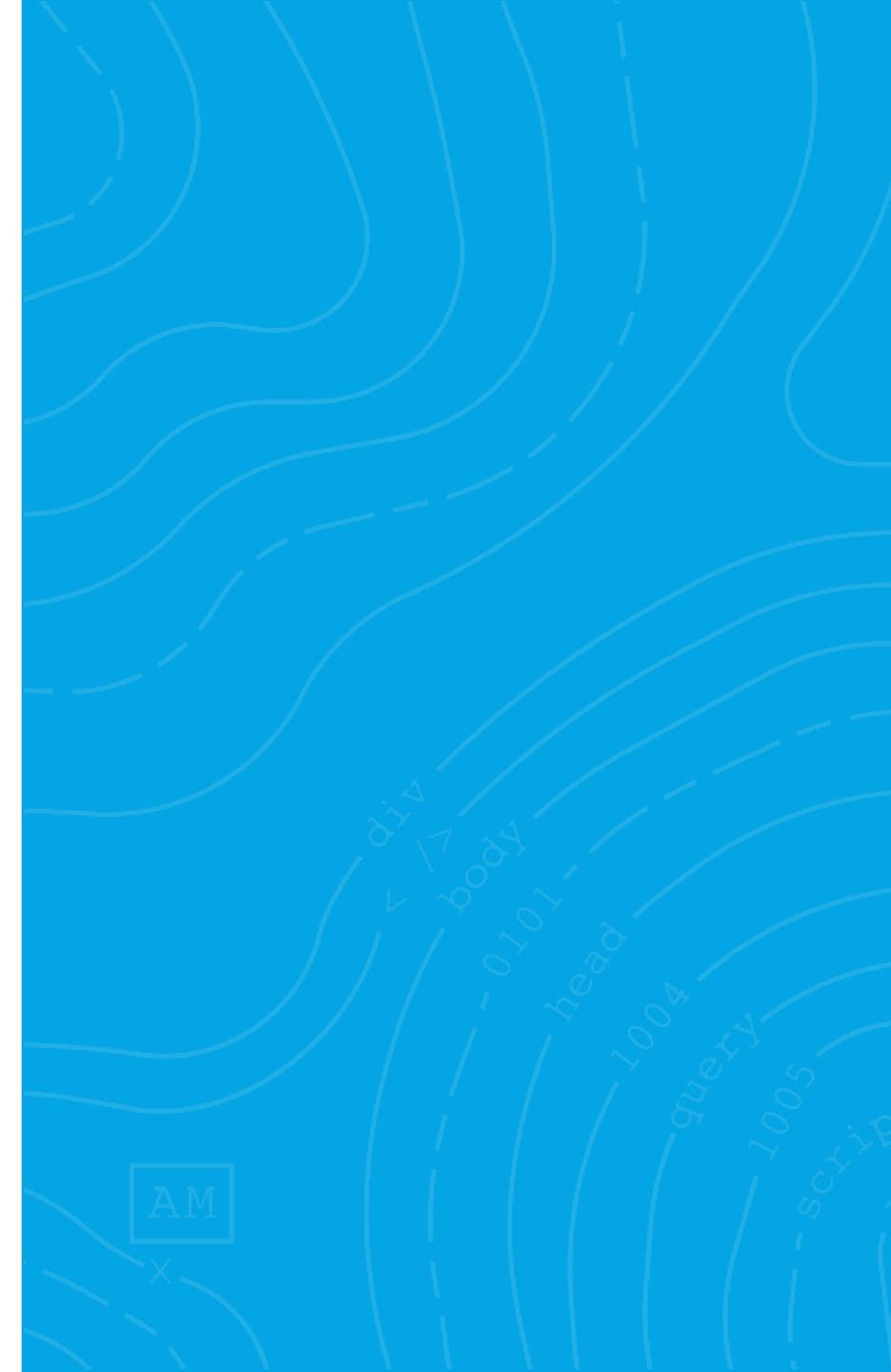


# Heroku Kafka

- Managed Kafka Cloud Service
- <https://www.heroku.com/kafka>



# Code



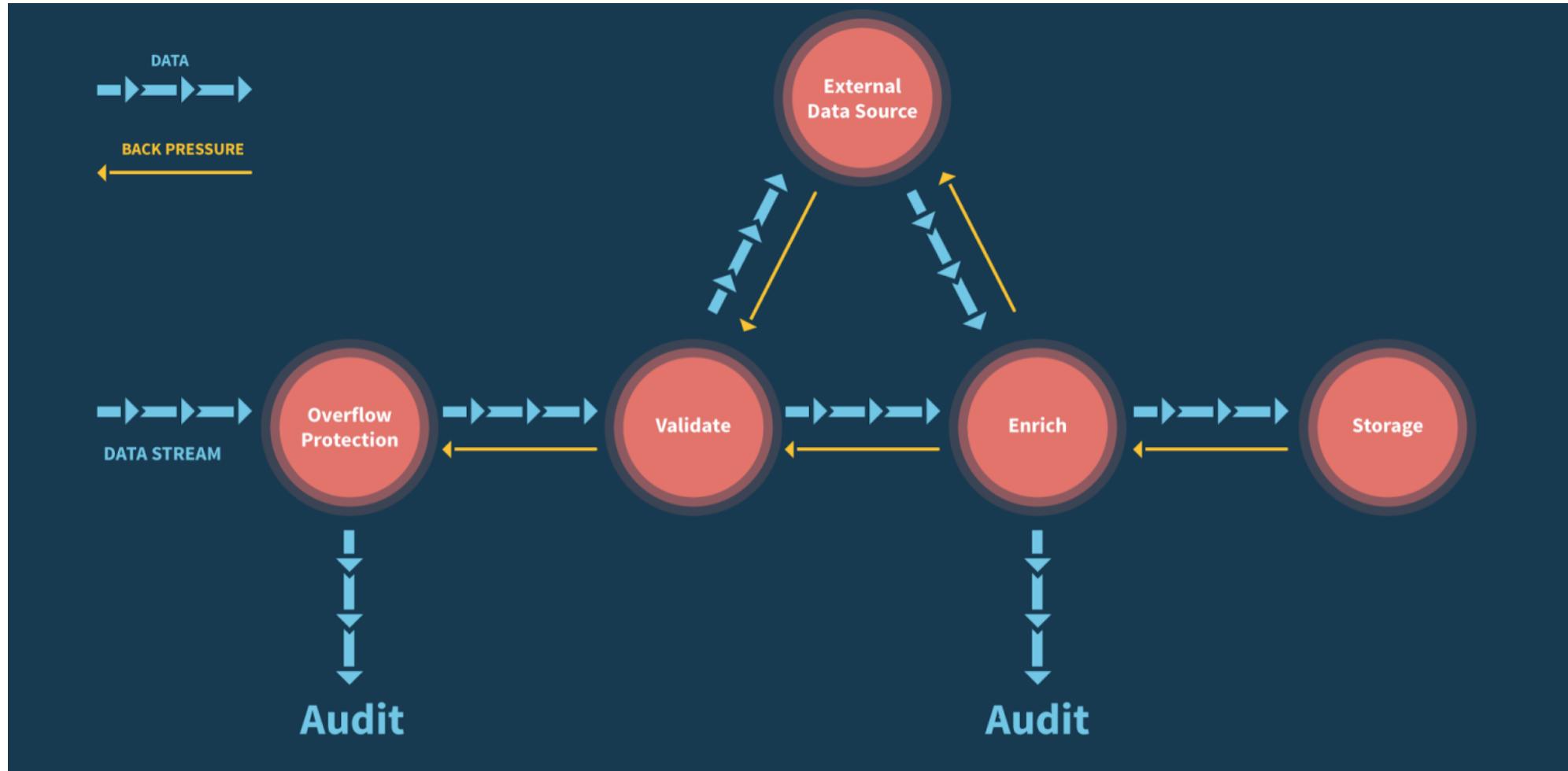


# Akka Streams

Reactive Streams Built on Akka

# Reactive Streams

A JVM standard for asynchronous stream processing with non-blocking back pressure

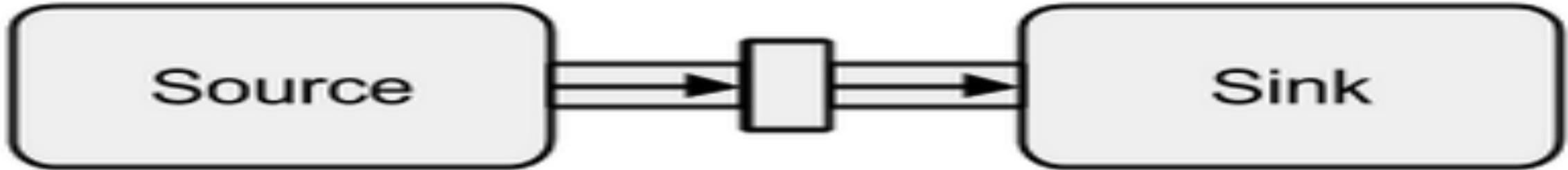


# Akka Streams

- Powered by Akka Actors
- Impl of Reactive Streams
- Actors can be used directly or just internally
- Stream processing functions: map, filter, fold, etc



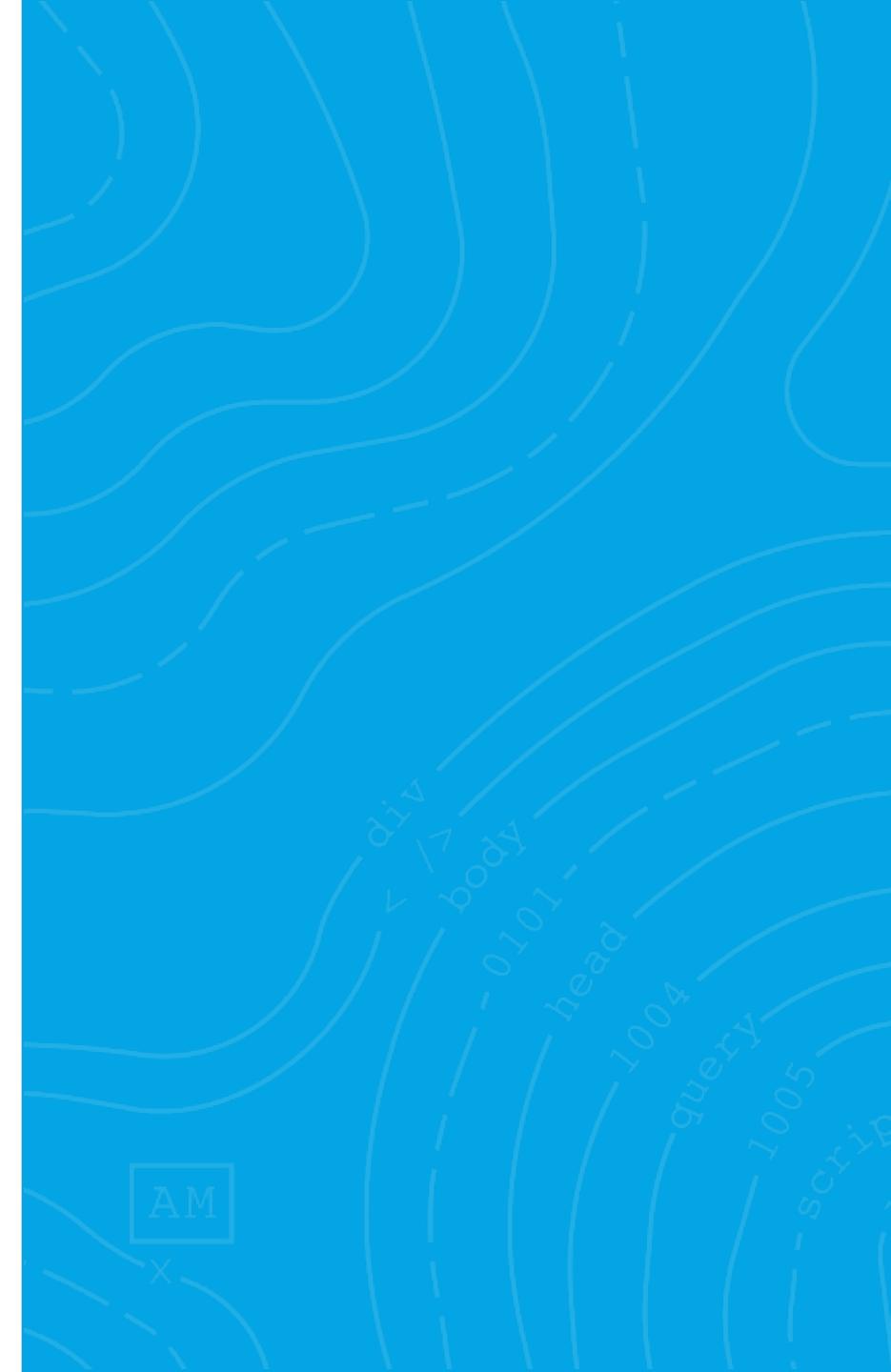
## Sink & Source



```
val source = Source.repeat("hello, world")
val sink = Sink.foreach(println)
val flow = source to sink
flow.run()
```



# Code



# Play Framework

## Web Framework Built on Akka Streams

# Play Framework

Scala & Java – Built on Akka Streams

Declarative Routing:

```
GET /foo controllers.Foo.do
```

Controllers Hold Stateless Functions:

```
class Foo {  
  
    def do() = Action {  
  
        Ok("hello, world")  
  
    }  
}
```



# Reactive Requests

Don't block in wait states!

```
def doLater = Action.async {  
    Promise.timeout(Ok("hello, world"), 5.seconds)  
}
```

```
def reactiveRest = Action.async {  
    ws.url("http://api.foo.com/bar").get().map { response =>  
        Ok(response.json)  
    }  
}
```



# WebSockets

Built on Akka Streams

```
def ws = WebSocket.accept { request =>  
    val sink = ...  
    val source = ...  
    Flow.fromSinkAndSource(Sink.ignore, source)  
}
```



# Views

## Serverside Templating with a Subset of Scala

```
app/views/blah.scala.html
```

```
@(foo: String)
```

```
<html>
```

```
<body>
```

```
  @foo
```

```
</body>
```

```
</html>
```

```
Action {
```

```
  Ok(views.html.blah("bar"))
```

```
}
```

```
<html>
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```
  bar
```

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# Demo & Code



# Flink

## Real-time Data Analytics

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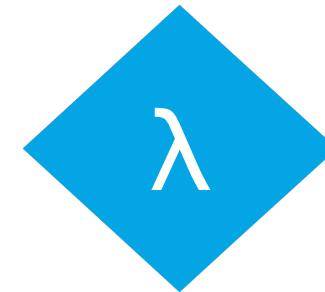
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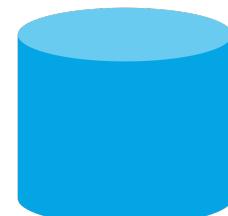
- Bounded & Unbounded Data Sets
- Stream processing
- Distributed Core
  - Fault Tolerant
  - Clustered
- Flexible Windowing

# Apache Flink

Continuous Processing for Unbounded Datasets



`count()`

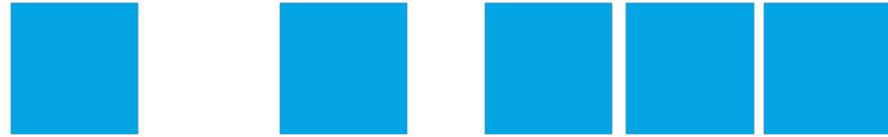


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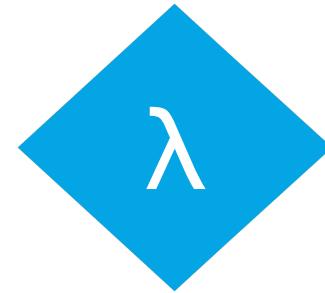
# Windowing

Bounding with Time, Count, Session, or Data



1s

1s



count()

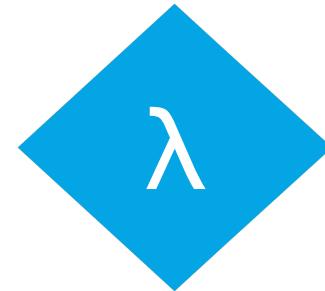


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# Batch Processing

Stream Processing on Finite Streams



count()

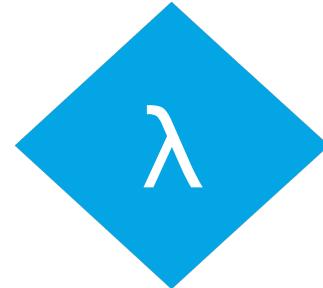
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# Data Processing

What can we do?

- Aggregate / Accumulate
- Transform
- Filter
- Sort

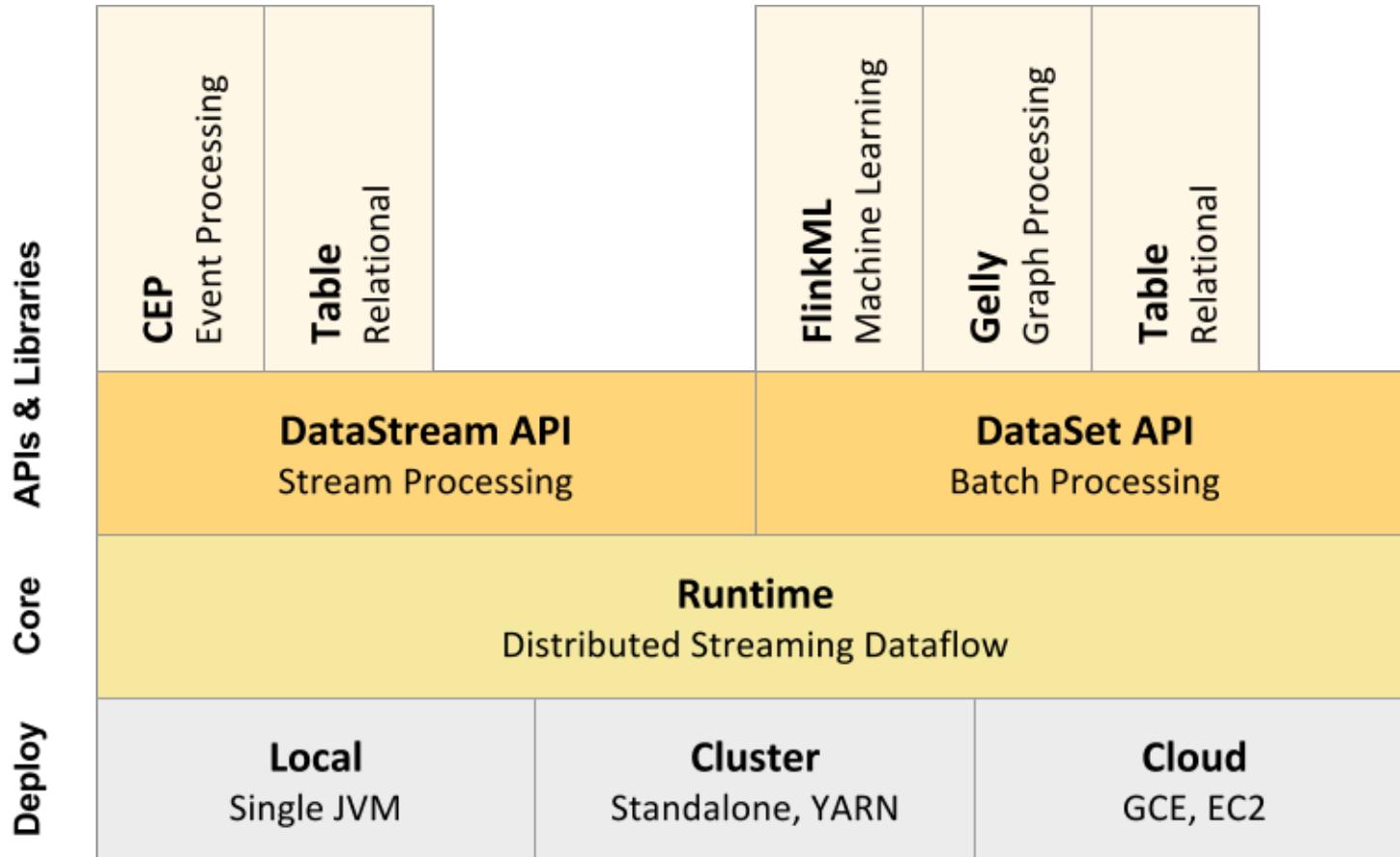


`fold()`, `reduce()`, `sum()`, `min()`  
`map()`, `flatMap()`  
`filter()`, `distinct()`  
`sortGroup()`, `sortPartition()`



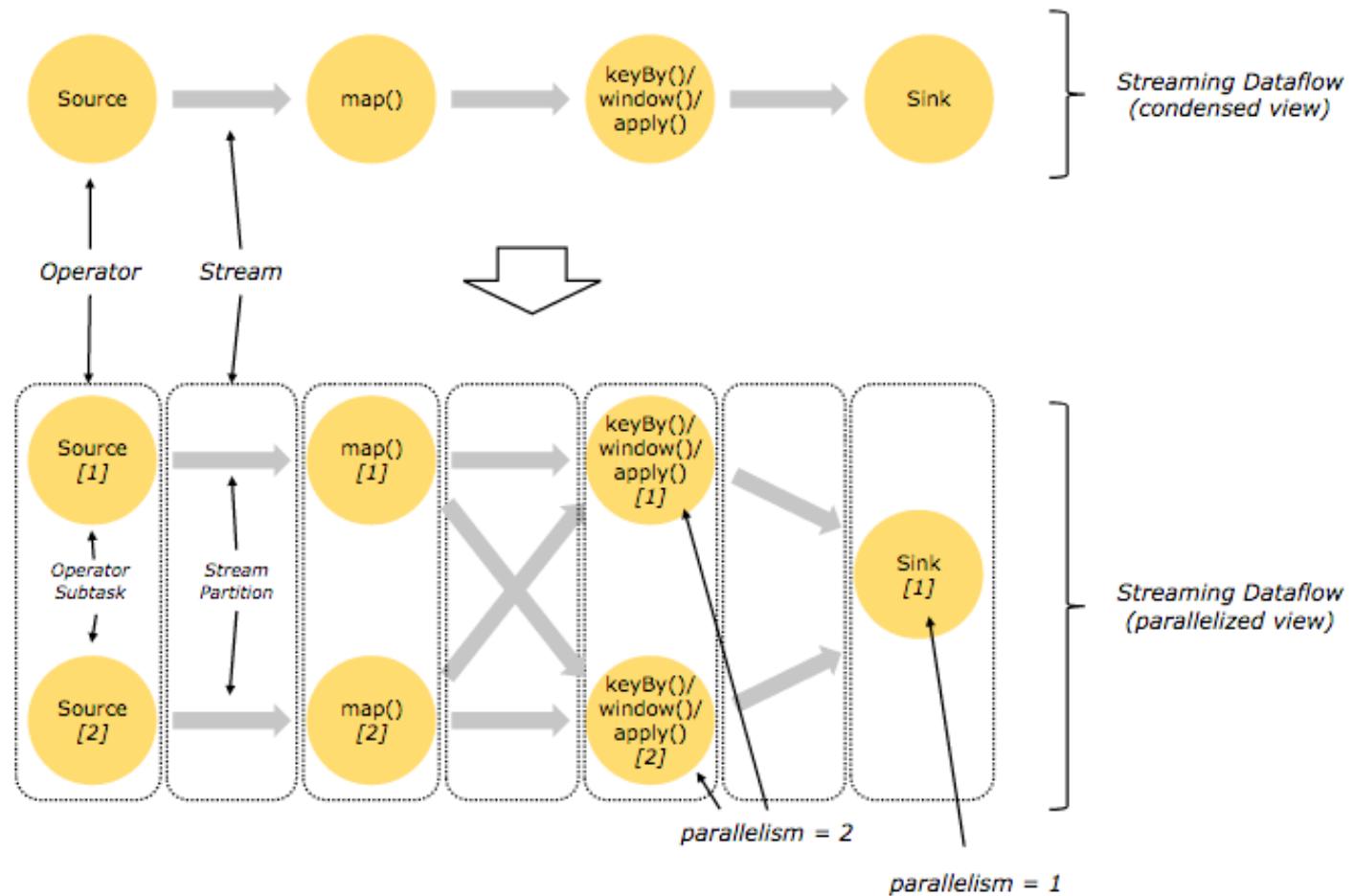
# Apache Flink

## Architecture



# Partitioning

## Network Distribution



# Demo & Code





# Cassandra

## Distributed NoSQL Database

# Challenges with Relational Databases

- How do you scale and maintain high-availability with a monolithic database?
- Is it possible to have ACID compliant distributed transactions?
- How can I synchronize a distributed data store?
- How do I resolve differing views of data?

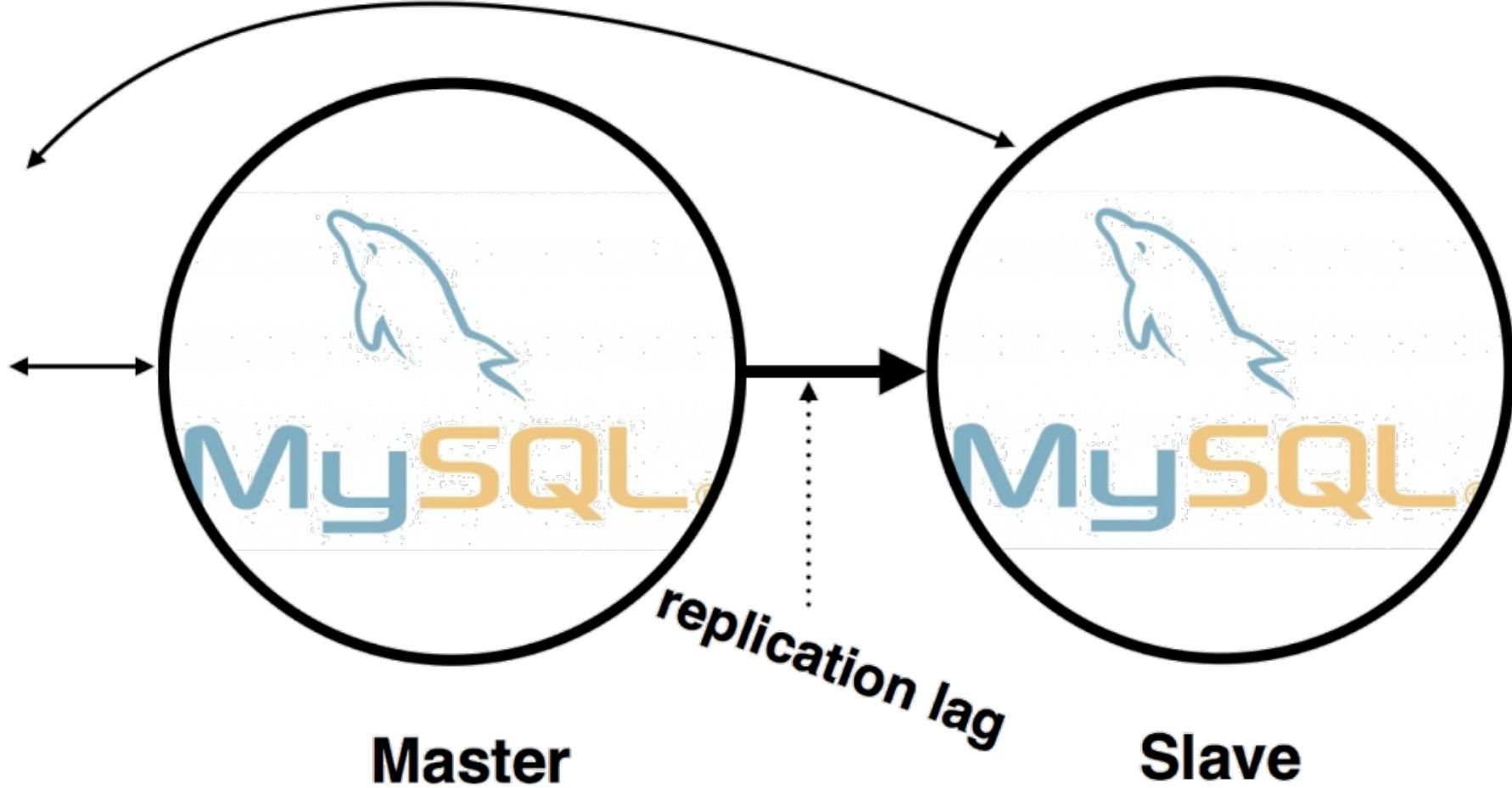


# Replication: ACID is a lie



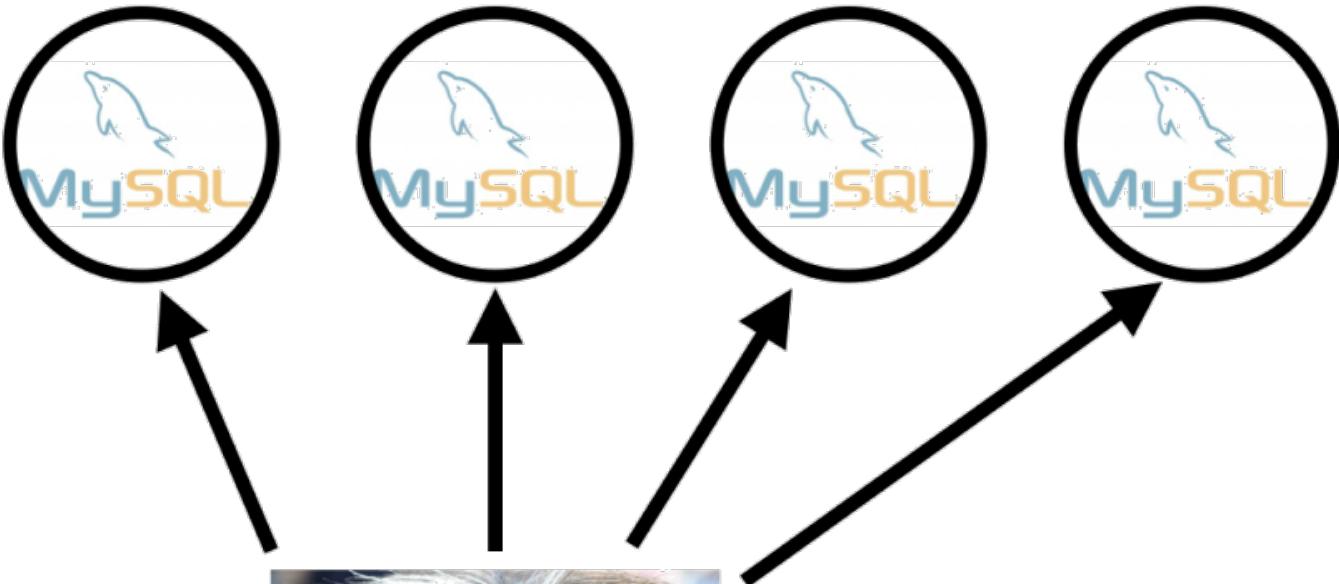
Client

Consistent results? Nope!



# Sharding is a Nightmare

- Data is all over the place
- No more joins
- No more aggregations
- Denormalize all the things
- Querying secondary indexes requires hitting every shard
- Adding shards requires manually moving data
- Schema changes



# High Availability.. not really

- Master failover... who's responsible?
  - Another moving part...
  - Bolted on hack
- Multi-DC is a mess
- Downtime is frequent
  - Change database settings (innodb buffer pool, etc)
  - Drive, power supply failures
  - OS updates



# Goals of a Distributed Database

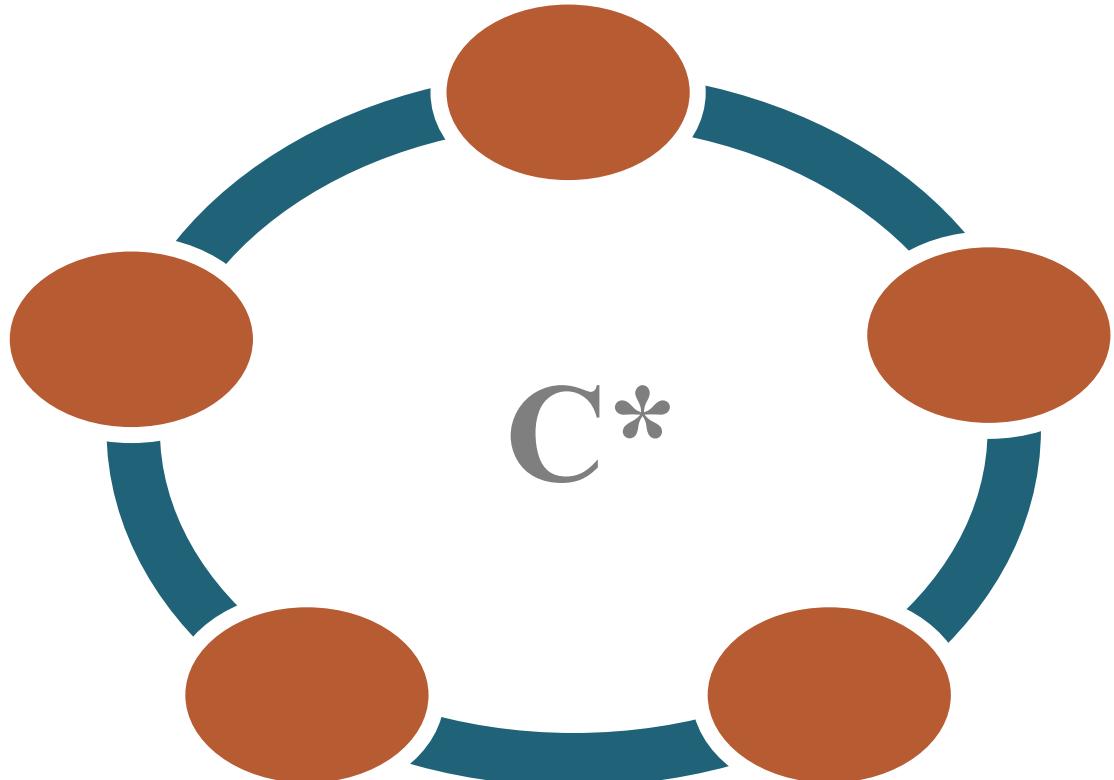
- Consistency is not practical - **give it up!**
- Manual sharding & rebalancing is hard - **Automatic Sharding!**
- Every moving part makes systems more complex
- Master / slave creates a Single Point of Failure / Bottleneck - **Simplify Architecture!**
- Scaling up is expensive - **Reduce Cost**
- Leverage cloud / commodity hardware



# What is Cassandra?

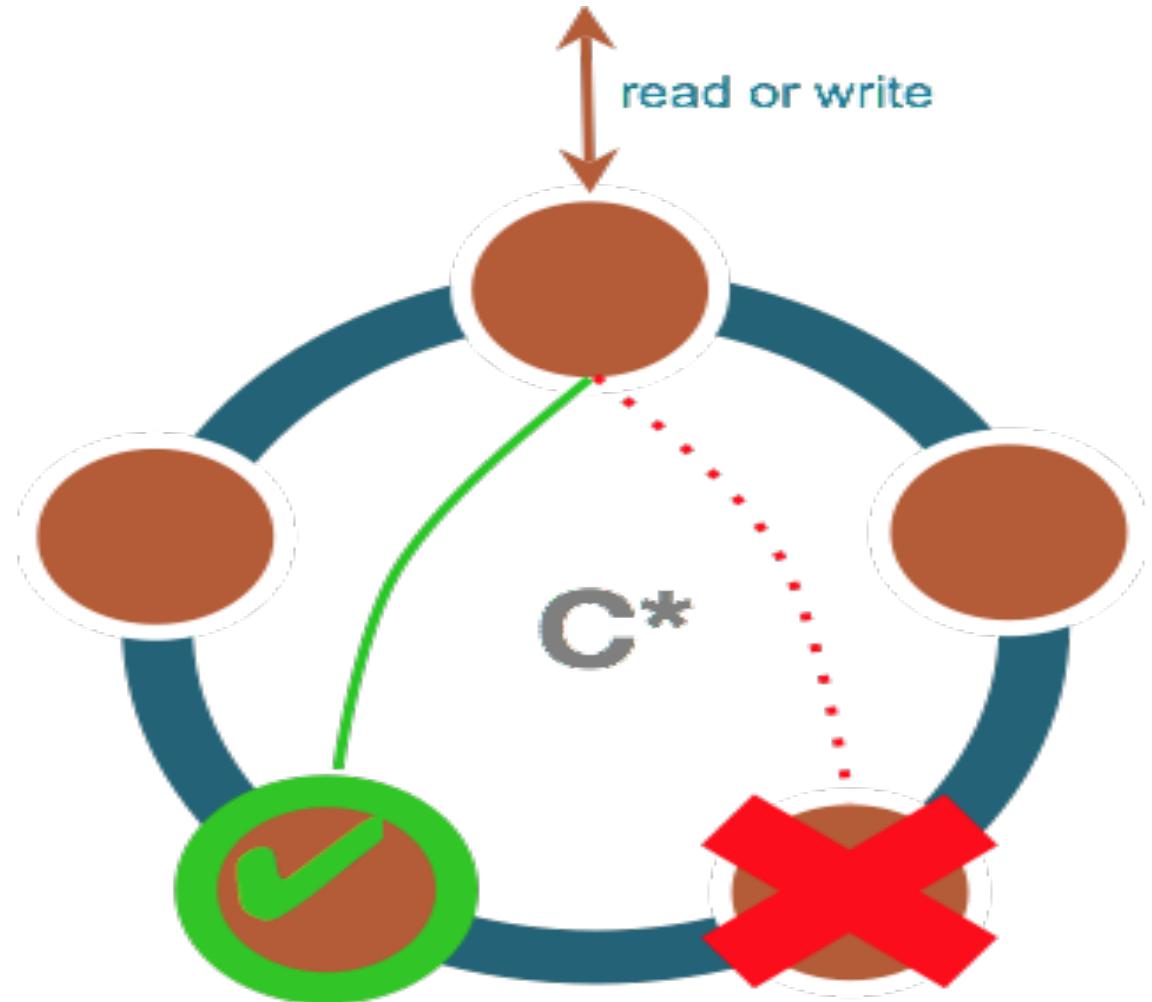
Distributed Database

- ✓ Individual DBs (nodes)
- ✓ Working in a cluster
- ✓ Nothing is shared

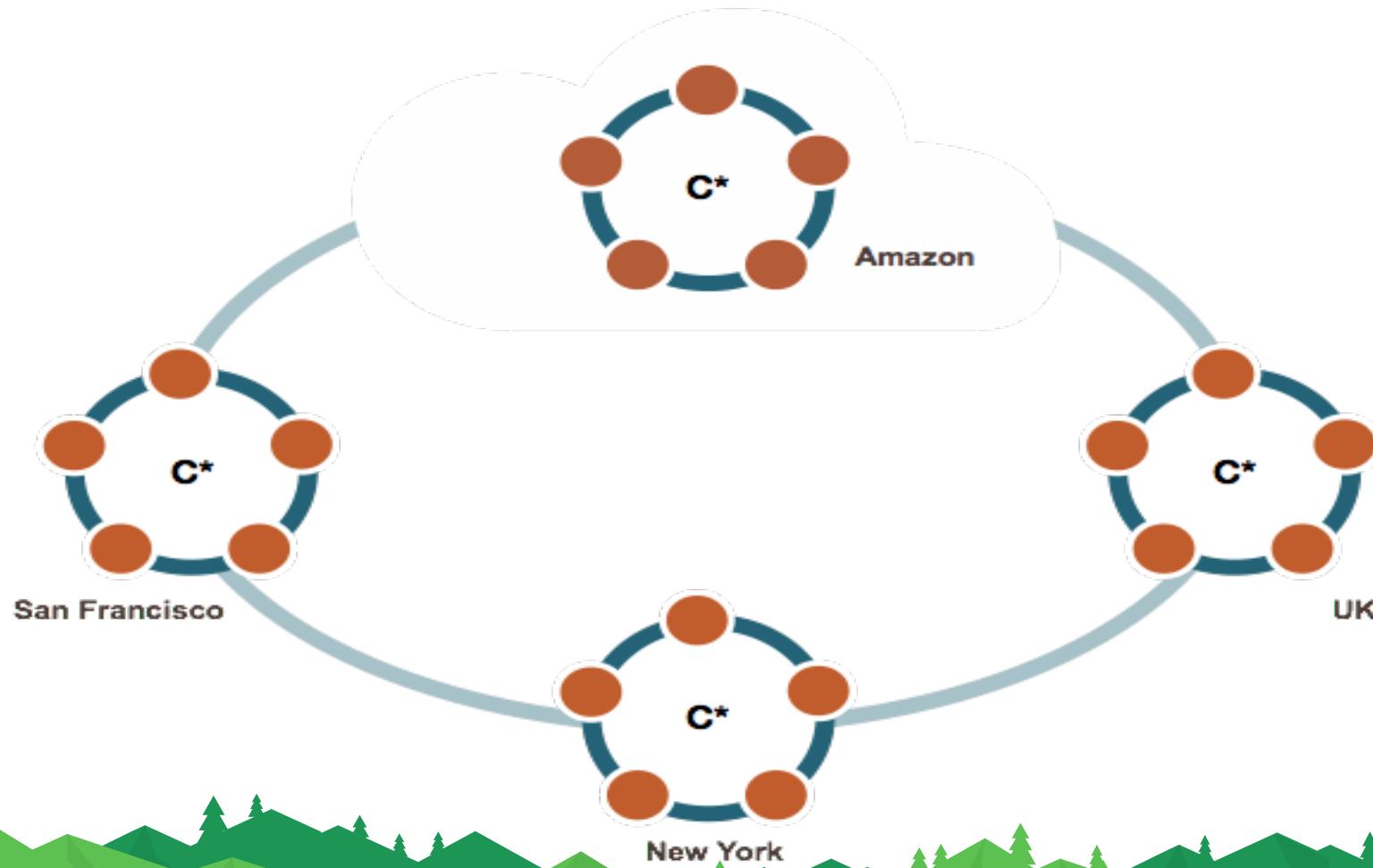


# Cassandra Cluster

- Nodes in a peer-to-peer cluster
  - No single point of failure
- Built in data replication
  - Data is always available
  - 100% Uptime
- Across data centers
  - Failure avoidance



# Multi-Data Center Design



# Why Cassandra?

It has a flexible data model

Tables, wide rows, partitioned and distributed

- ✓ Data
- ✓ Blobs (documents, files, images)
- ✓ Collections (Sets, Lists, Maps)
- ✓ UDTs

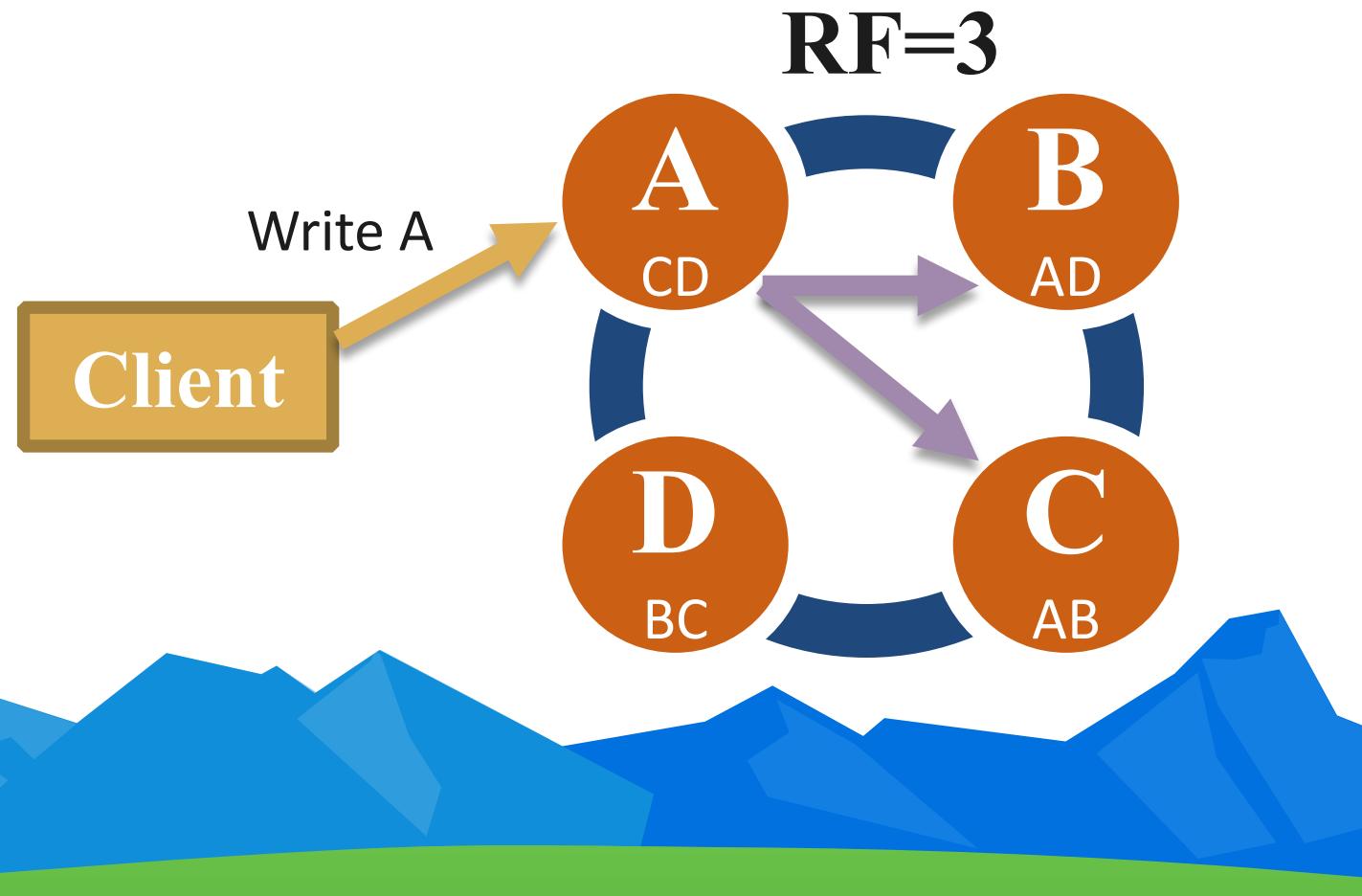
Access it with CQL ← familiar syntax to SQL

Row Key1	Column Key1	Column Key2	Column Key3	...
	Column Value1	Column Value2	Column Value3	...
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# Two knobs control Cassandra fault tolerance

Replication Factor (server side)

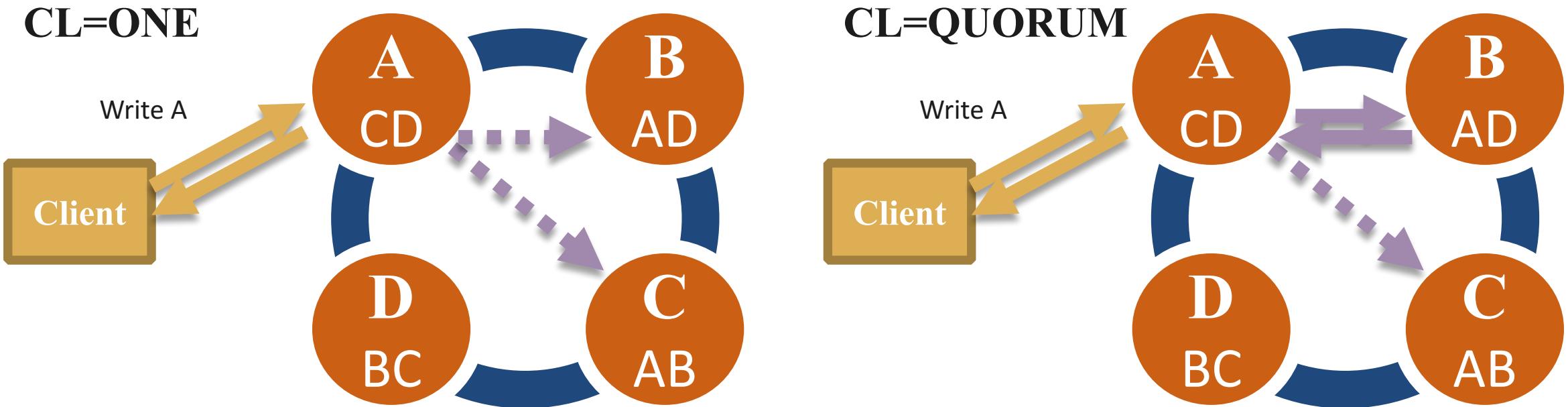
How many copies of the data should exist?



# Two knobs control Cassandra fault tolerance

Consistency Level (client side)

How many replicas do we need to hear from before we acknowledge?



# Consistency Levels

Applies to both Reads and Writes (i.e. is set on each query)

**ONE** – one replica from any DC

**LOCAL\_ONE** – one replica from local DC

**QUORUM** – 51% of replicas from any DC

**LOCAL\_QUORUM** – 51% of replicas from local DC

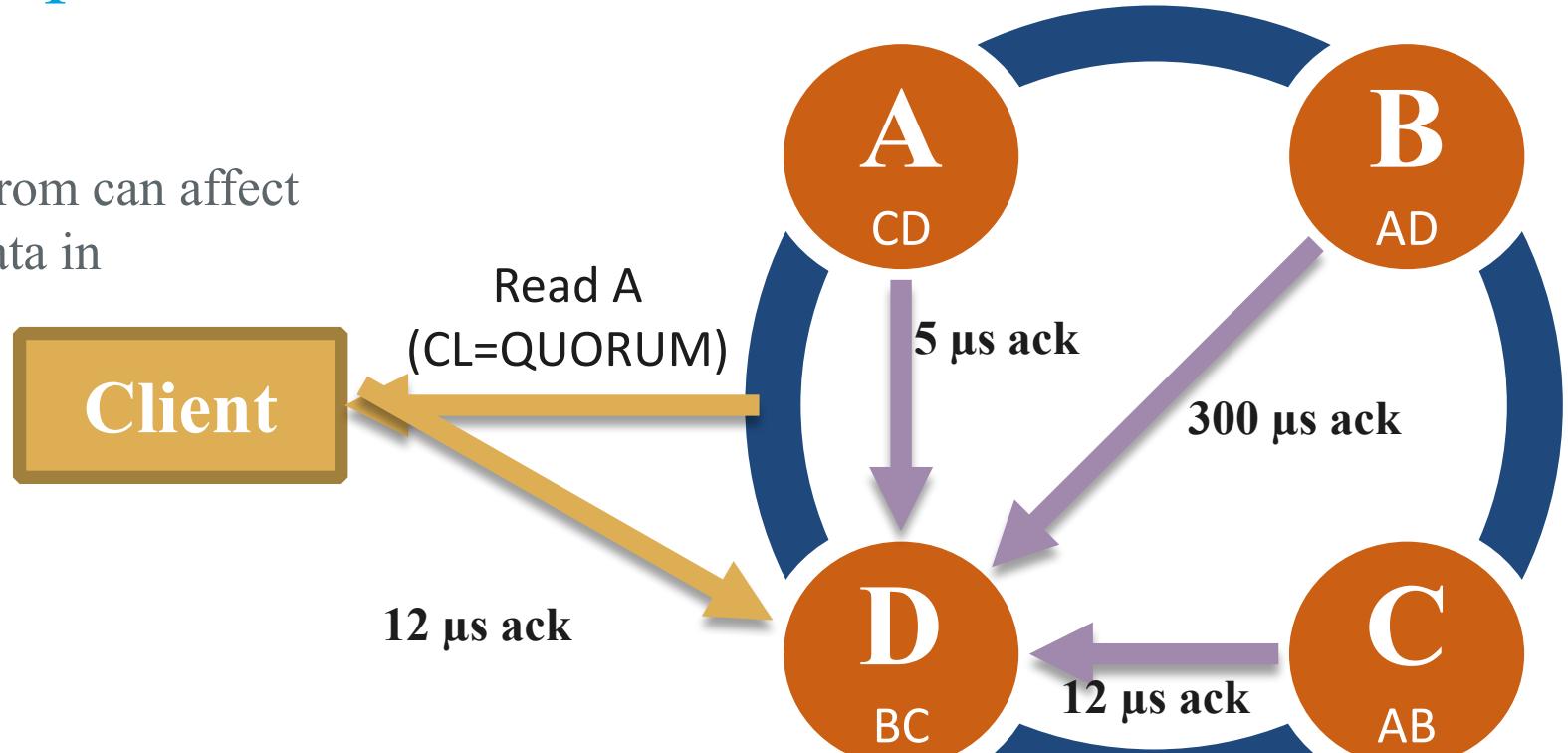
**ALL** – all replicas

**TWO**



# Consistency Level and Speed

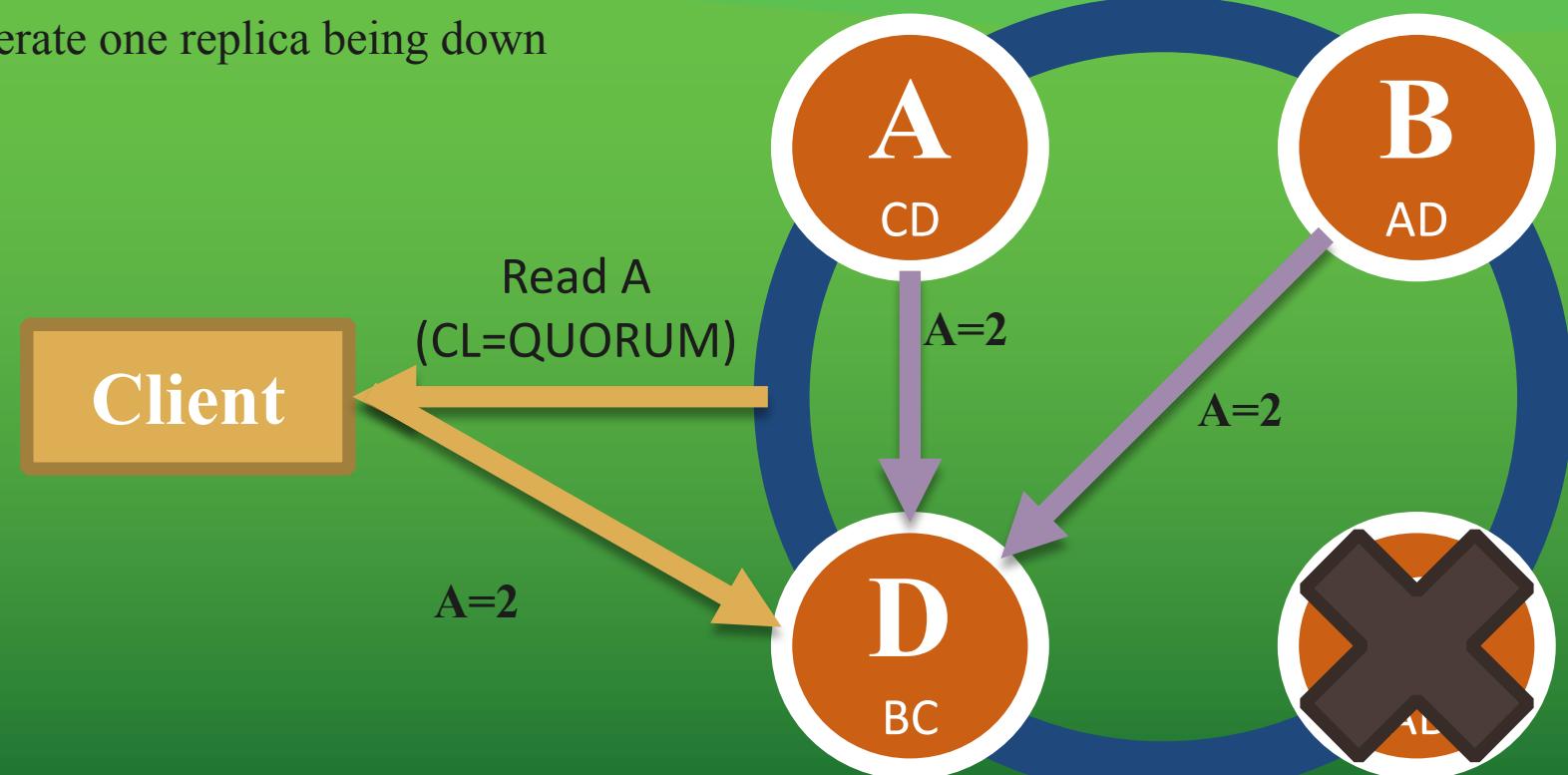
How many replicas we need to hear from can affect how quickly we can read and write data in Cassandra?



# Consistency Level and Availability

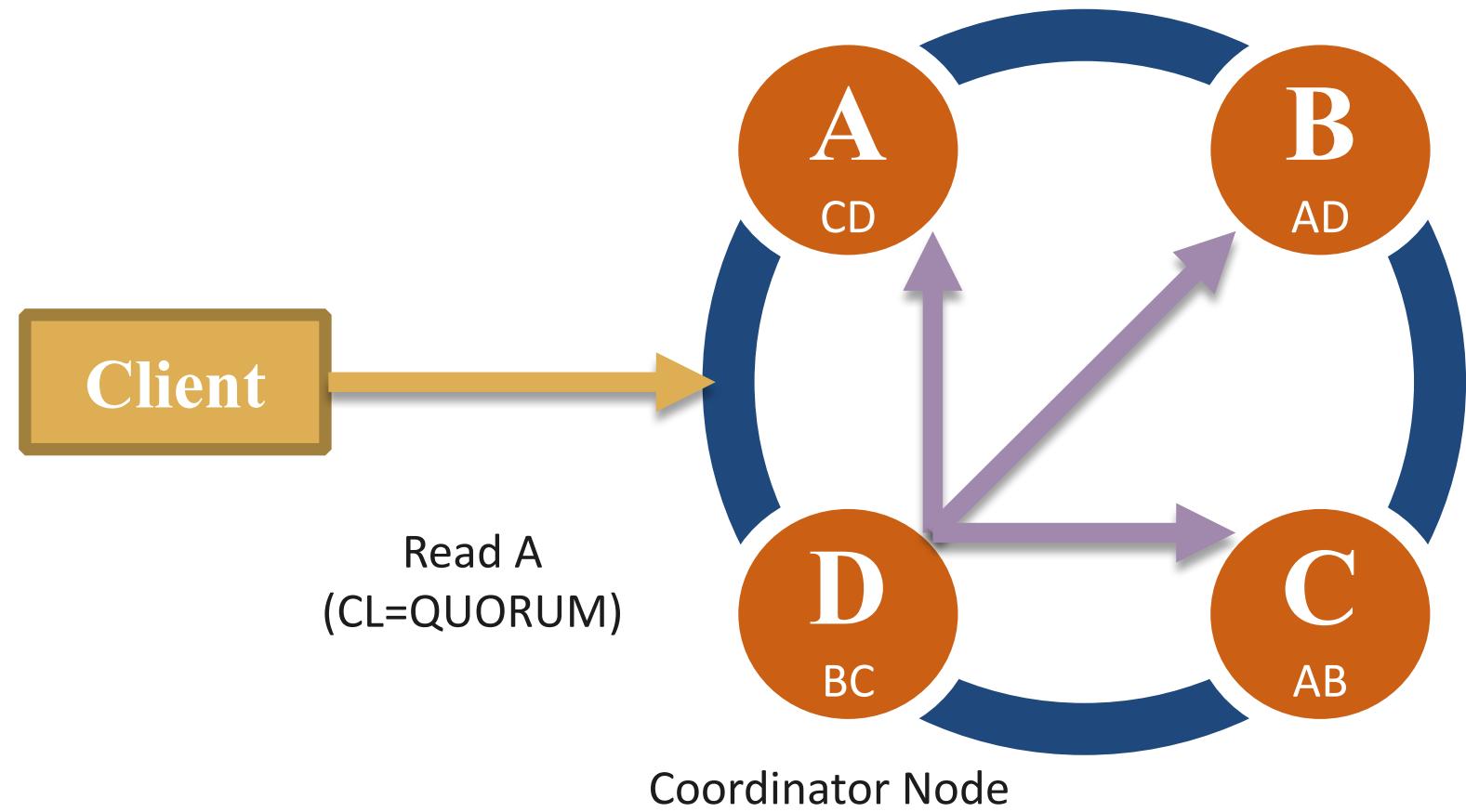
Consistency Level choice affects availability

For example, QUORUM can tolerate one replica being down and still be available (in RF=3)



## Reads in the cluster

Same as writes in the cluster, reads are coordinated  
Any node can be the Coordinator Node



# Spark Cassandra Connector



# Spark Cassandra Connector

Data locality-aware (speed)

Read from and Write to Cassandra

Cassandra Tables Exposed as RDD and DataFrames

Server-Side filters (where clauses)

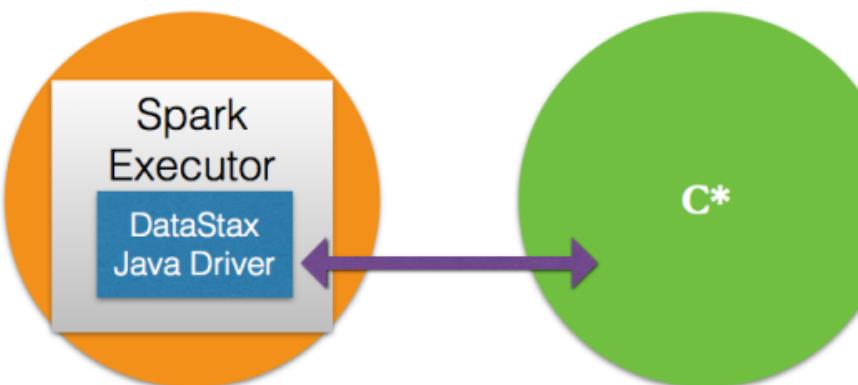
Cross-table operations (JOIN, UNION, etc.)

Mapping of Java Types to Cassandra Types

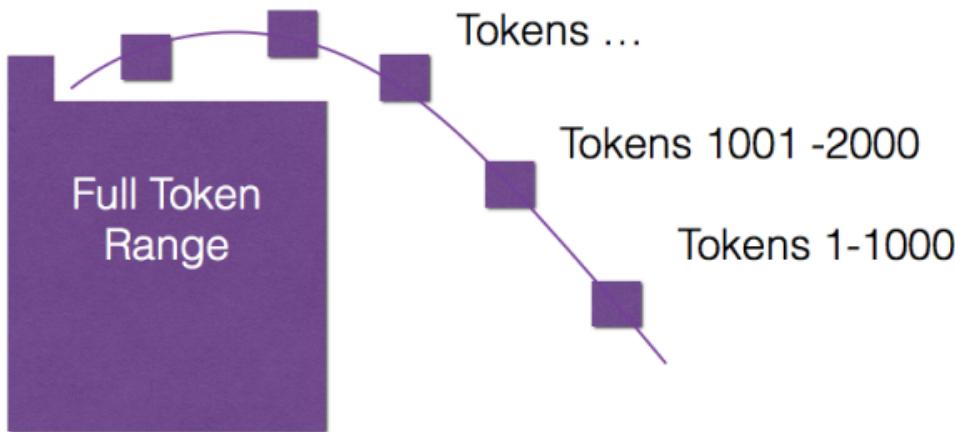


# Spark Cassandra Connector

Spark Cassandra Connector uses the DataStax Java Driver to Read from and Write to C\*

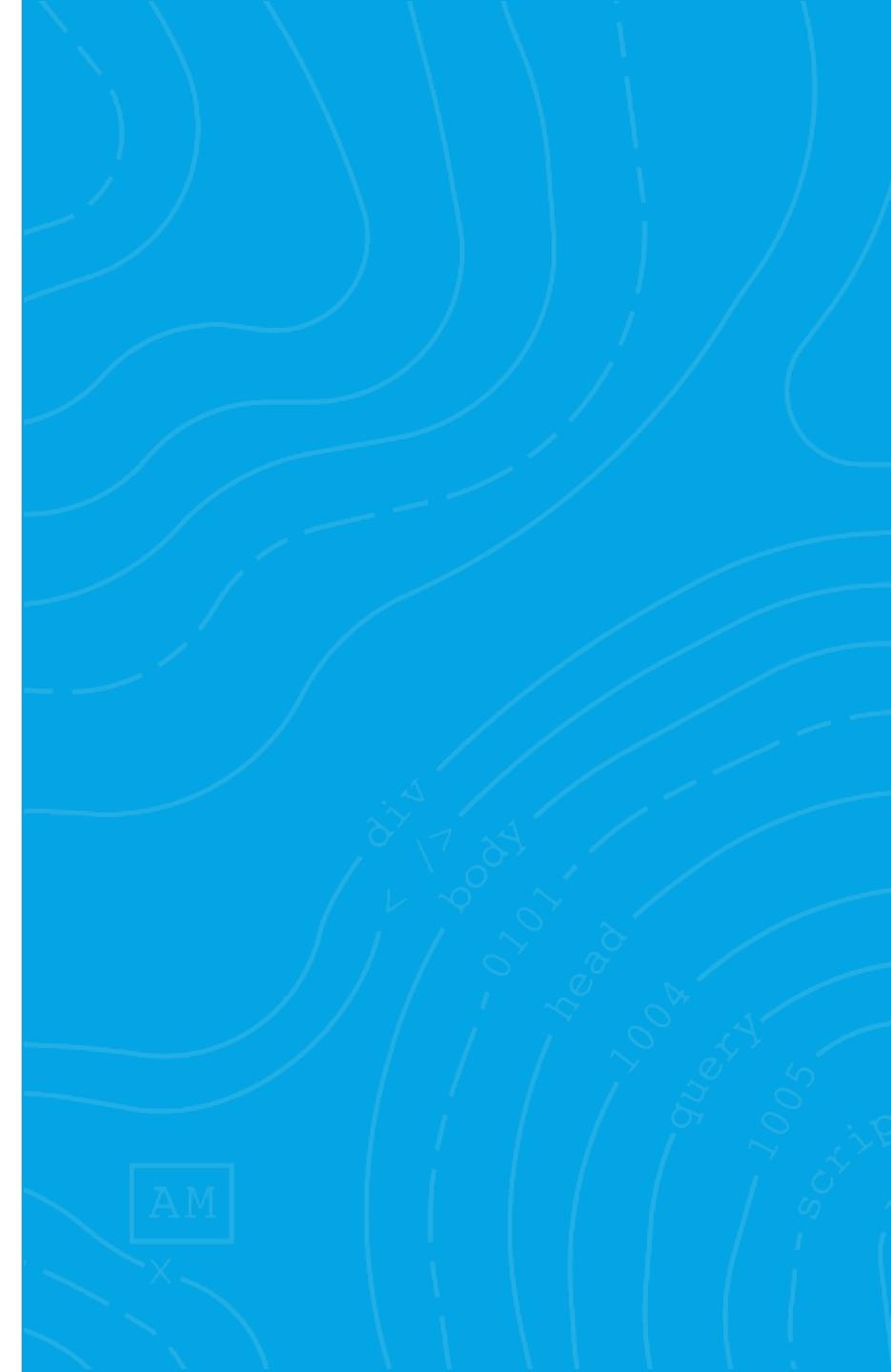


Each Executor Maintains a connection to the C\* Cluster



RDD's read into different splits based on sets of tokens

# Code



# Spark Streaming

## Stream Processing Built on Spark



# Hadoop?



# Hadoop Limitations

- Master / Slave Architecture
- Every Processing Step requires Disk IO
- Difficult API and Programming Model
- Designed for batch-mode jobs
- No even-streaming / real-time
- Complex Ecosystem



# What is Spark?

Fast and general compute engine for large-scale data processing

Fault Tolerant Distributed Datasets

Distributed Transformation on Datasets

Integrated Batch, Iterative and Streaming Analysis

In Memory Storage with Spill-over to Disk



# Advantages of Spark

- Improves efficiency through:
  - In-memory data sharing
  - General computation graphs - Lazy Evaluates Data
  - 10x faster on disk, 100x faster in memory than Hadoop MR
- Improves usability through:
  - Rich APIs in Java, Scala, Py..??
  - 2 to 5x less code
  - Interactive shell



**Spark  
Streaming**  
real-time

**Spark SQL**  
structured

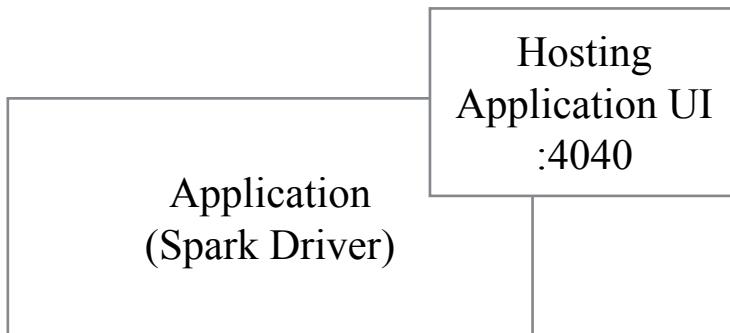
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machine learning

**GraphX**  
graph

**Spark Core**



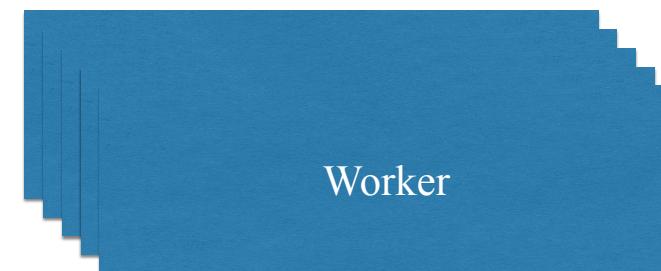
# Spark Components



You application code  
which creates the *SparkContext*



A Process which Manages the Resources of the Spark Cluster



A process which shells out to create a Executor JVM

These processes are all separate and require networking to communicate

# Resilient Distributed Datasets (RDD)

- The primary abstraction in Spark
- Collection of data stored in the Spark Cluster
- Fault-tolerant
- Enables parallel processing on data sets
- In-Memory or On-Disk



# RDD Operations

Transformations - Similar to scala collections API

Produce new RDDs:

filter, flatmap, map, distinct, groupBy,  
union, zip, reduceByKey, subtract

Actions - Require materialization of the records to generate a value

collect: Array[T], count, fold, reduce..



# DataFrame

- Distributed collection of data
- Similar to a Table in a RDBMS
- Common API for reading/writing data
- API for selecting, filtering, aggregating and plotting structured data



# DataFrame Part 2

- Sources such as Cassandra, structured data files, tables in Hive, external databases, or existing RDDs.
- Optimization and code generation through the Spark SQL Catalyst optimizer
- Decorator around RDD - Previously SchemaRDD



# Spark Versus Spark Streaming



zillions of bytes



**Spark**



gigabytes per second



**Spark**  
**Streaming**



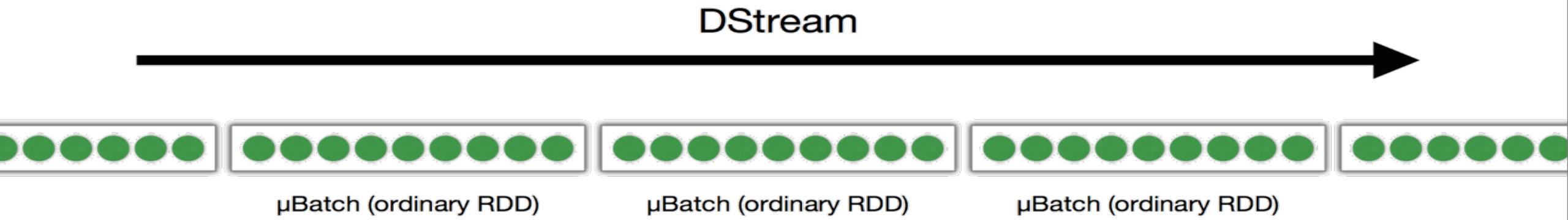
# Spark Streaming Data Sources



# Spark Streaming General Architecture



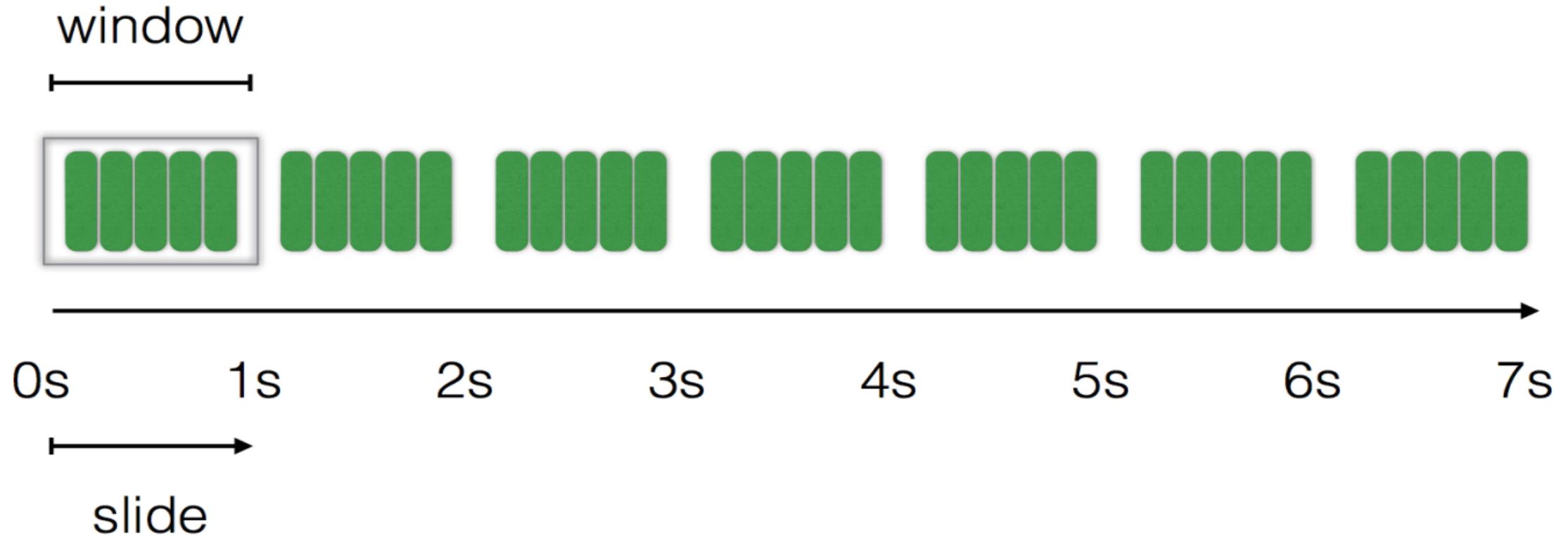
# DStream Micro Batches



Processing of DStream = Processing of μBatches, RDDs

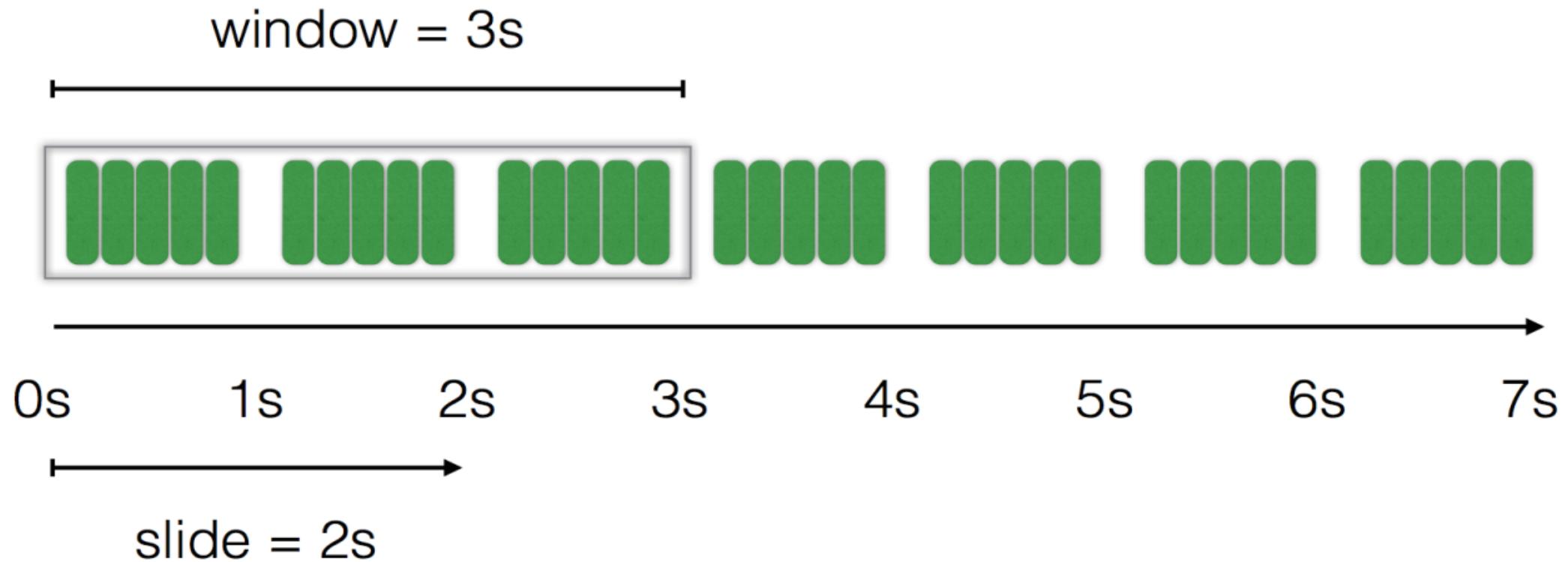


# Windowing



By default:  
window = slide = batch duration

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The resulting DStream consists of 3 seconds micro-batches  
Each resulting micro-batch overlaps the preceding one by 1 second

# Streaming Resiliency without Kafka

- Streaming uses aggressive checkpointing and in-memory data replication to improve resiliency.
- Frequent checkpointing keeps RDD lineages down to a reasonable size.
- Checkpointing and replication mandatory since streams don't have source data files to reconstruct lost RDD partitions (except for the directory ingest case).
- Write Ahead Logging to prevent Data Loss



## Direct Kafka Streaming w/ Kafka Direct API

- Use Kafka Direct Approach (No Receivers)
  - Queries Kafka Directly
  - Automatically Parallelizes based on Kafka Partitions
  - (Mostly) Exactly Once Processing - Only Move Offset after Processing
  - Resiliency without copying data



# Demo & Code

