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GUI for Flink

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How it all began?

POC with Apache Flink



Great results:)

Configuration



Client not (really) happy

Scala expression for filters



Client still not very happy

Ok, we'll build you a GUI



Finally, approving nod...

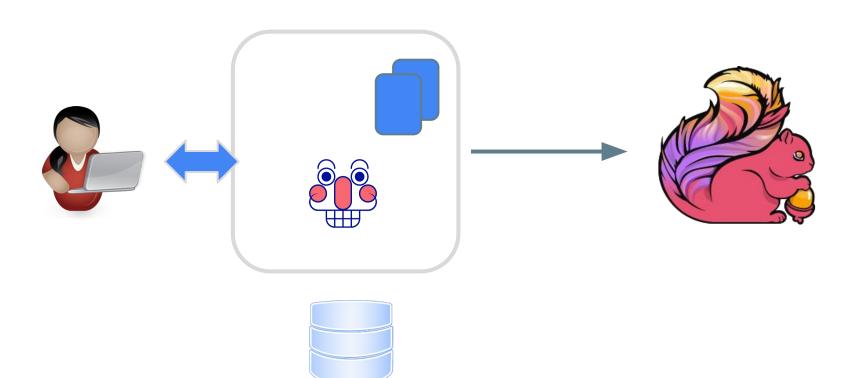


Main assumptions

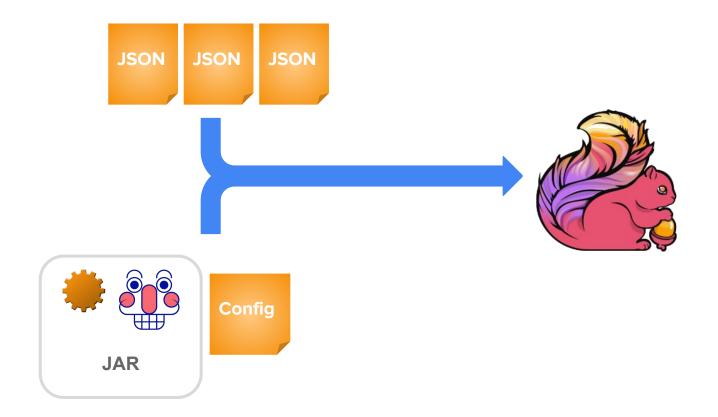
- Model & integration in "normal" code
- Expressions accessible for semi-technicals like SQL
- Facilitate testing and experimentation

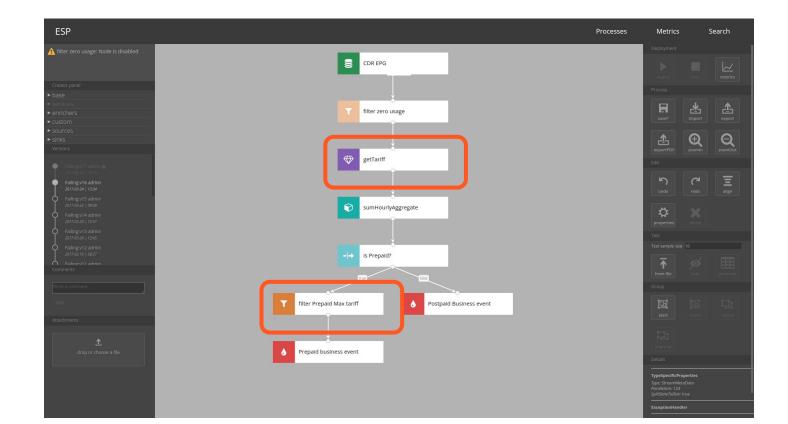
Basics

Architecture



Model + process





Creator panel	
▼ base	
▼ Filter	
→ Split	
-+→ Switch	
X Variable	
▼ services	
🕏 alertService	
▼ enrichers	
♥ clientService	
► custom	
▼ sinks	
kafka-stringSi	nk

Model

Model

- Data POJOs, case classes
- Source/Sink Flink API + ε
- Processor/Enricher Services

Config creator

```
trait ProcessConfigCreator extends Serializable {
  def services(config: Config) : Map[String, WithCategories[Service]]
  def sourceFactories(config: Config): Map[String, WithCategories[SourceFactory[_]]]
  def sinkFactories(config: Config): Map[String, WithCategories[SinkFactory]]
  ...
}
```

Service/Enricher

Business rules - expressions

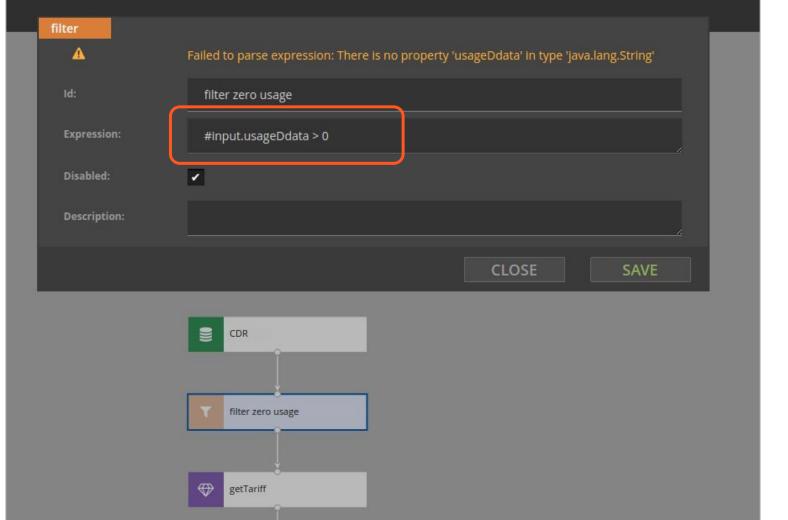
- Filters
- Aggregation definitions
- Actions mail subject, sms content

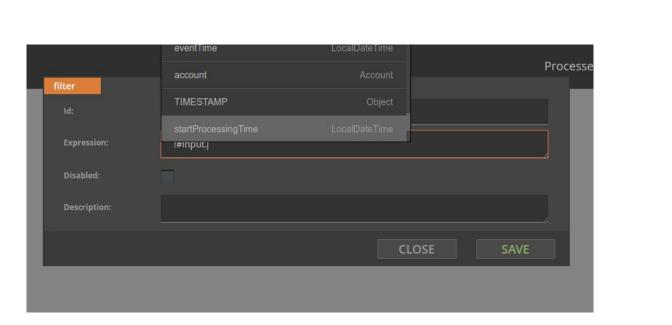
How to **define** them...?

Expressions

Spring Expression Language!

- Accessible enough
- More or less fast enough
- Ability to do basic validation/code-completion





Limitations of SPEL

- Speed
- Synchronous
- Type safety??

Advanced?

What about...

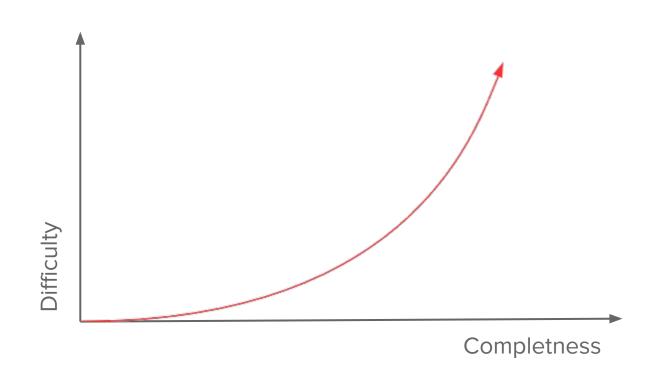
• Windows?

• State?

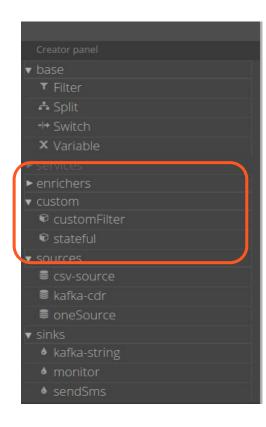
• Joins?

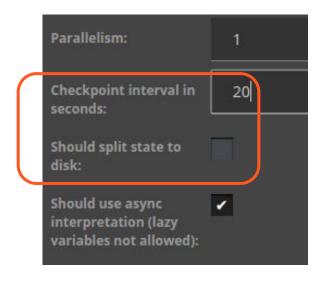
Other Flink goodies?

Knowing where to stop



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Custom stream transformer - POFO

Tests/Ops

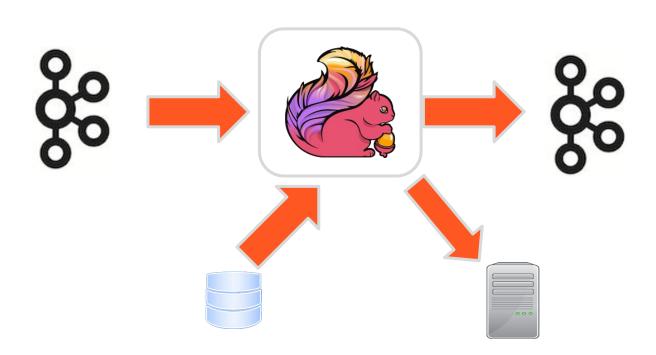
"Convincing" to test

We'll do it "our" way:

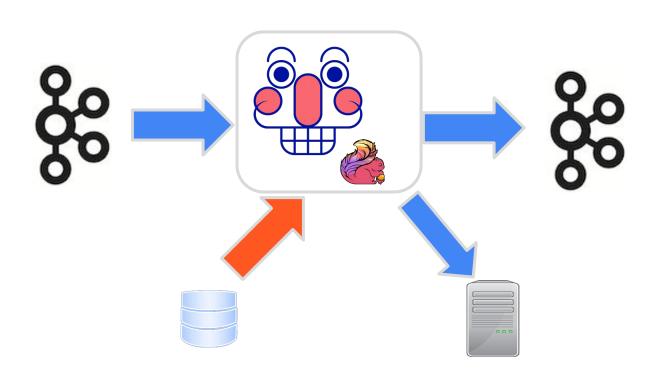
first we run on production,

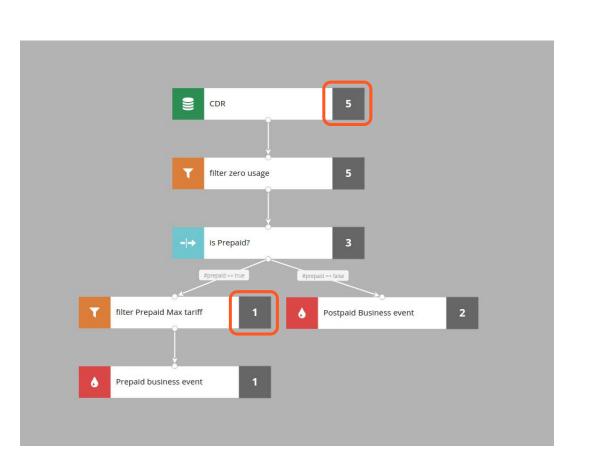
then deploy to test

Tests - running

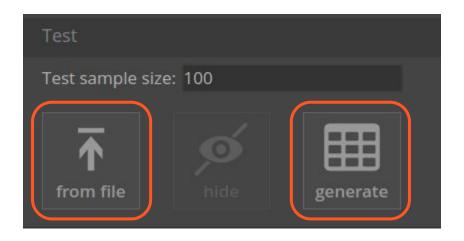


Tests - running





Generate test data



Taking control

- Do we process data?
- What is latency?
- Where do we filter out events?
- Are there **errors**?

Taking control

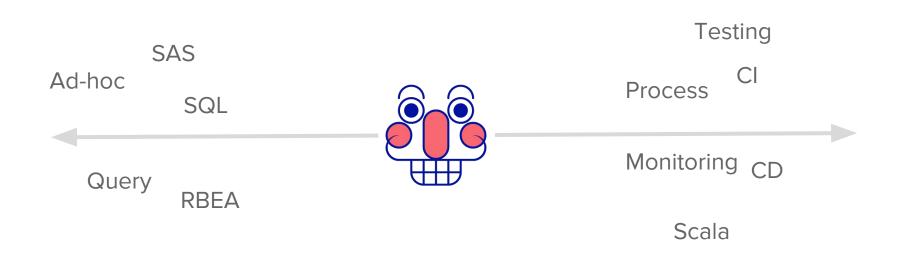


DEMO

Where can I use it?

- Telco
- Banking
- Media
- RTM
- Fraud detection

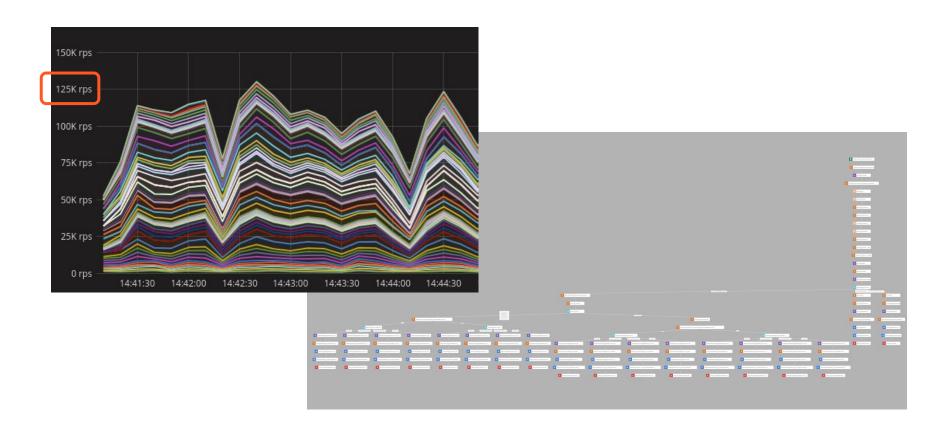
Adhoc jobs vs process



Does it work in production?

- 1 year in production
- One of largest Polish telco's
- RTM + Fraud detection

Does it work in production?





Road ahead?

- Asynchronous services
- Pluggable security
- Define model via GUI/Schema registry

Road ahead?

- Integration with CEP and SQL
- DAGs instead of Trees in UI?
- Governance?
- Nussknacker as a Service?

Try it out!



https://github.com/touk/nussknacker

Thanks

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