

# The convergence of stream processing & microservice architecture



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# Overview

# History of Data Processing

- Offline Batch processing
- MapReduce
- Lambda Architecture

# History of Services

- Client-Server
- CORBA & DCOM
- EJB & N-Tier
- SOA & ESB
- HTTP-API & REST

# Today



# Catch of the day

## Live<sup>1</sup> Stream Processing & Microservice Architecture

<sup>1</sup>Near real-time

# Shared requirements:

- Available
- Elastically scalable
- Resilient & self-healing
- Loosely coupled & upgradeable

# Reactive Systems<sup>2</sup>

Available (**responsive**), under failure (**resilience**) and  
under load (**elasticity**), by being **message-driven**.

<sup>2</sup><https://www.reactivemanifesto.org/>

# Reactive Streams<sup>3</sup>

Provides a **standard** for asynchronous stream processing with **non-blocking back pressure**.

<sup>3</sup>[www.reactive-streams.com](http://www.reactive-streams.com) & `java.util.concurrent.Flow` (JDK9+)

# Ingredients

- Stream processing stages: Stateless & Stateful
- Microservices: RPC-style & Evented
- Domain Events with Schema/Codec

# #define Events<sup>4</sup>

- Immutable recordings of observations
- Can be disregarded but not be retracted once accepted
- Can be invalidated but (typically) not be deleted
- Knowledge accrues with every processed event

<sup>4</sup> Learn more: <https://speakerdeck.com/jboner/designing-events-first-microservices>

# Services (evented)

$(Behavior', Effects[(Event*, State')]) = Behavior(State, Event)$

# Realization

evented services are stream processing stages

The near future:  
Convergence

# Is this the solution?

- **Alice:** So we lift evented services into the stream processing pipeline ...
- **Bob:** ... and then we're done!
- <record scratch>
- **Narrator:** They're forgetting the request-reply use-case which RPC services excel at.

# Services (rpc)

$(Behavior', Effects[State']) = Behavior(State, Command)$

# The improved solution

- lift the service into a stream stage
- lift input Events into Commands and submit
- capture responses & convert into output Events

What if we could  
derive microservices  
from data streams?

# Ingestion

endpoints

Simple  
Projection  
endpoints

Complex  
Projection  
endpoints

# Unification

- Microservices are a part of a streaming pipeline
- A pipeline can now be exposed as Microservices
- We can independently upgrade parts of the pipeline

# Developing converged applications

- Deployment Orchestration
- Events-First DDD & EventStorming
- (Meta)Data-driven Continuous Deployment
- Use of the right tools for each component

Beyond

Extend to  
the Edges

**End of stream**

# Explore what we do at Lightbend:

- Lightbend **Fast Data** Platform
  - <https://www.lightbend.com/products/fast-data-platform>
- Lightbend **Reactive** Platform
  - <https://www.lightbend.com/products/reactive-platform>
- Lightbend **Enterprise** Suite
  - <https://www.lightbend.com/products/enterprise-suite>

Thank you for attending!

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