

- Functional requirements
 - Get the top N trending topics for a user over the past X days.
 - The popularity of a topic can be determined by the frequency of the topic being viewed in the past.
- Non-functional requirements
 - Low latency.
 - High availability.
 - o High consistency is desirable (eventual consistency).

Detailed Design

- Track topics
 - Log the view history into application service
 - A background async process with read the data from these logs, do some initial aggregation.
- 2 Solutions for generating top N trending topics

- Fast path
 - A data structure called Count-Min Sketch will be used.
 - 2D array
 - Rows are mapped to different hash functions.
 - Column are mapped to the Top N.
 - Take short time but less accurate.
- o Slow path
 - MapReduce pipeline
 - Take long time but more accurate.

High-level design

