

Data Integration and Large Scale Analysis

03 Replication, MoM, and EAI

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Agenda

- Overview **Programming Projects & Exercises**
- Motivation and Terminology
- Distributed TX & Replication Techniques
- Asynchronous Messaging
- Message-oriented Integration Platforms

Overview

Programming Projects & Exercises

Overview Projects or Exercises

- **Team**

- **1-3 person teams** (w/ clearly separated responsibilities)
- Exercise description on the website
- Open-source contribution to be confirmed individually via email

ID	Name	Address	City	Type
a1	arnie mortons of chicago	435 s. la cienega blv.	los angeles	american
a2	arts delicatessen	12224 ventura blvd.	studio city	american
a3	fenix	8358 sunset blvd. west	hollywood	american
a4	restaurant katsu	1972 n. hillhurst ave.	los angeles	asian

Table A: Restaurants in Data Source A

ID	Name	Address	City	Type
b1	arnie mortons of chicago	435 s. la cienega blvd.	los angeles	steakhouses
b2	arts deli	12224 ventura blvd.	studio city	delis
b3	fenix at the argyle	8358 sunset blvd. w.	hollywood	french (new)
b4	katsu	1972 hillhurst ave.	los feliz	japanese

Table B: Restaurants in Data Source B

Pei Wang et al. ICDE 2021

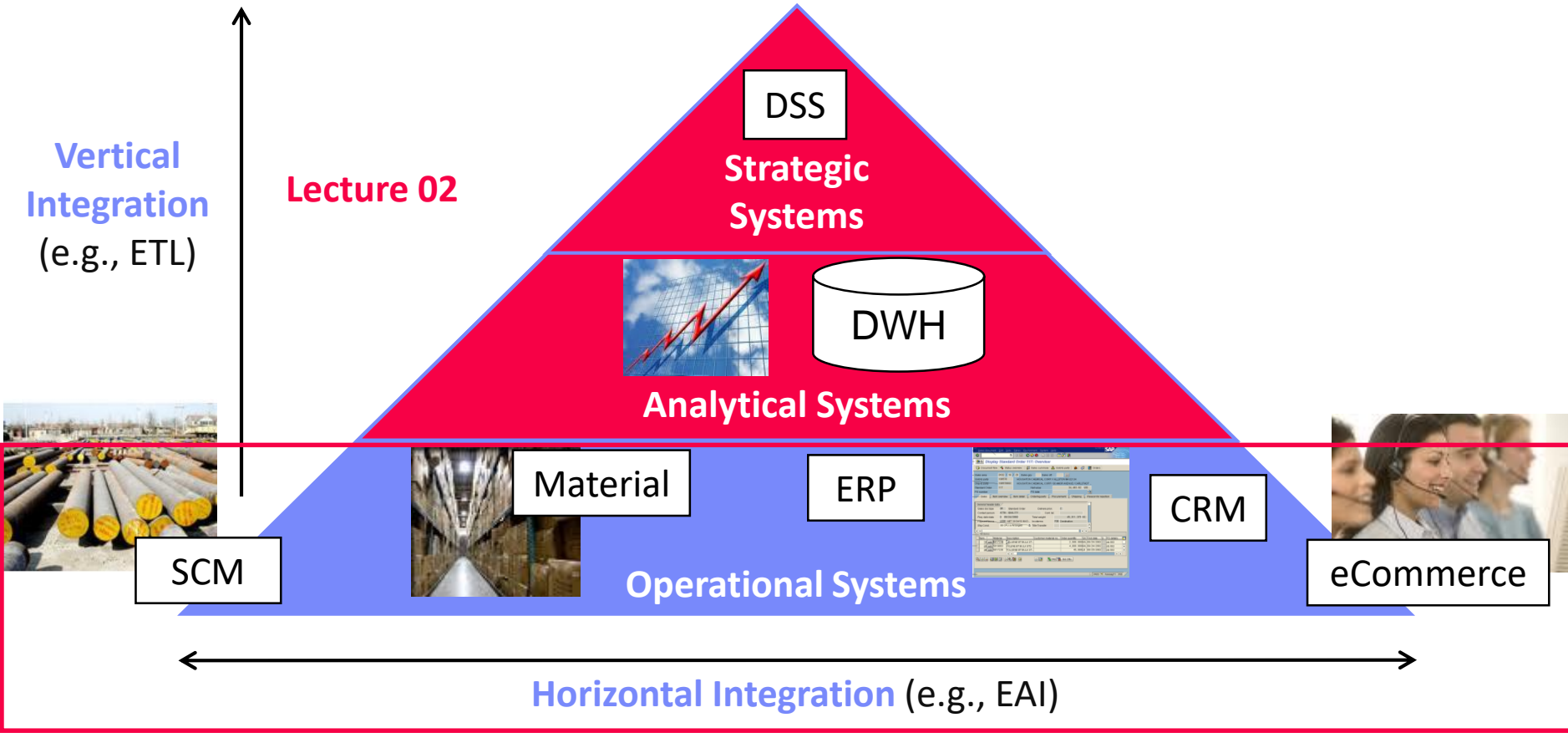
Exercise

- **[Task 01]: Entity Matching Pipeline**
 - Prepare data (apply necessary cleaning/transformations and features)
 - Implement a blocking scheme
 - Find the perfect matches and compare them against the ground truths (perfect-matchings) and report accuracy of your pipeline
 - Create a readme to reproduce the results
- **[Task 02]: Create an ML model for Entity Matching**
 - Split the data into train and test sets (min 50 instances for test)
 - Create the training and validation datasets i.e., if similarity score is greater than 0.9 (or of your choice) label it a match (1) otherwise no match (0)
 - Try different similarity values/hyper-parameters to get better accuracy on validation set
 - Predict the test dataset
 - Create a readme to reproduce the results

Motivation and Terminology

Replication, MoM, and EAI

Recap: Information System Pyramid



Messaging



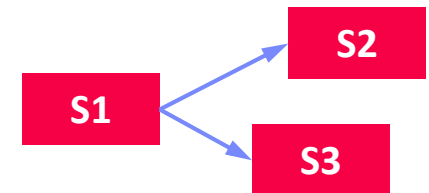
[Credit: <https://www.gstatic.com/onebox/dictionary/etymology/>]

Def: Message

- Piece of information in certain structure
- Send from source (transmitter) over channel to destination (receiver)
- **Syntax:** different message formats (binary, text, XML, JSON, Protobuf)
- **Semantic:** different domain-specific message schemas (aka data models)

Synchronous Messaging

- **Strict consistency requirements**
- Overhead for distributed transactions via 2PC
- Low local autonomy, usually data-driven



Asynchronous Messaging

- **Loose coupling**, eventual consistency requirements
- Batching for efficient replication and updates
- Latency of update propagation



Types of Data Formats

■ General-Purpose Formats

- **CLI/API** access to DBs, KV-stores, doc-stores, time series DBs, etc
- **CSV** (comma separated values)
- **JSON** (javascript object notation), **XML**, **Protobuf**

■ Sparse Matrix Formats

- **Matrix market**: text IJV (row, col, value)
- **Libsvm**: text compressed sparse rows
- Scientific formats: **NetCDF**, **HDF5**

```
%%MatrixMarket matrix coordinate real general
% -----
% 0 or more comment lines
% -----
5 5 8
1 1 1.000e+00
2 2 1.050e+01
3 3 1.500e-02
1 4 6.000e+00
4 2 2.505e+02
4 4 -2.800e+02
4 5 3.332e+01
5 5 1.200e+01
```

■ Large-Scale Data Format

- ORC, Parquet (column-oriented file formats)
- **Arrow** (cross-platform columnar in-memory data)

■ Domain-specific Formats: often binary, structured text, XML

Example Domain-specific Message Formats

■ Finance: **SWIFT**

- Society for Worldwide Interbank Financial Telecommunication
- >10,000 orgs (banks, stock exchanges, brokers and traders)
- Network and message formats for financial messaging
- MT and MX (XML, ISO 20022) messages



[<https://ihodl.com>]

■ Health Care: **HL/7, DICOM**

- Health Level 7 (HL7) messages for clinical and admin data exchange
→ v2.x structured text msgs, v3 XML-based msgs
- Digital Imaging and Communications in Medicine (DICOM)

■ Automotive: **ATF, MDF**

- Association for Standardisation of Automation and Measuring Systems (ASAM)
- E.g., Open Transport Data Format (ATF), Measurement Data Format (MDF), calibrations (CDF), auto-lead XML (ADF), open platform communications (OPC)

- **Note:** Sometimes Large-scale analytics over histories of messages (e.g., health care analytics, fraud detection, money laundering)

Types of Message-Oriented Middleware

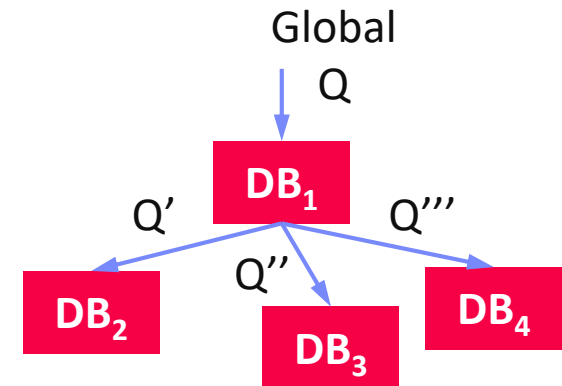
- **#1 Distributed TXs & Replication**
- **#2 Message Queueing**
 - Persistent message queues with well-defined delivery semantics
 - Loose coupling of connected systems or services (e.g., availability)
- **#3 Publish Subscribe**
 - Large number of subscribers to messages of certain topics/predicates
 - Published messages forwarded to qualifying subscriptions
- **#4 Integration Platforms**
 - Inbound/outbound adapters for external systems
 - Sync and async messaging, message transformations, enrichment

Distributed TX & Replication Techniques

Distributed Database Systems

▪ Distributed DBS

- Distributed database: Virtual (logical) database that appears like a local database but consists of multiple physical databases
- Multiple local DBMS, components for global query processing
- **Terminology:** **virtual DBS** (homogeneous), **federated DBS** (heterogeneous)



▪ Challenges

- **Tradeoffs:** Transparency – autonomy, **consistency – efficiency/fault tolerance**
- **#1** Global view and query language → schema architecture
- **#2** Distribution transparency → global catalog
- **#3** Distribution of data → data partitioning
- **#4** Global queries → distributed join operators, etc
- **#5** Concurrent transactions → **2PC**
- **#6** Consistency of copies → **replication**

Beware: Meaning of “Transparency” (invisibility) here

Two-Phase Commit (2PC)

Recap: Database Transaction

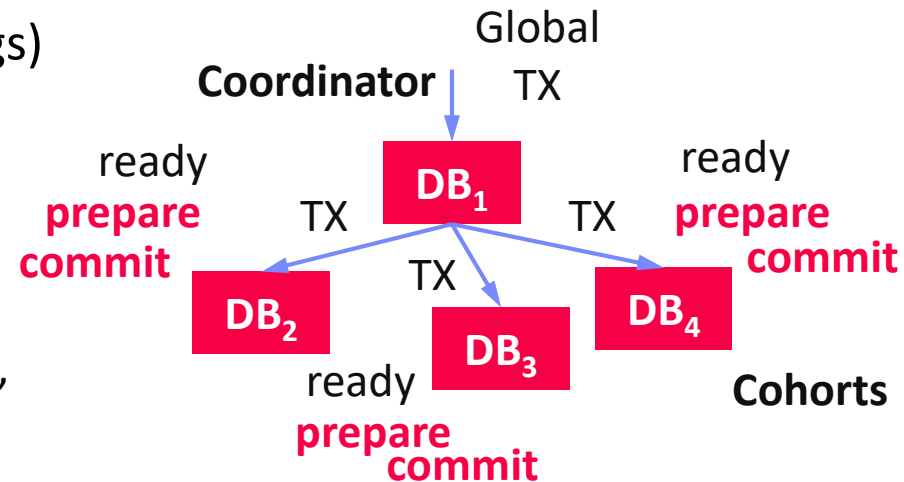
- A transaction (TX) is a **series of steps** that brings a database from a **consistent state** into another (not necessarily different) **consistent state**
- **ACID properties** (atomicity, consistency, isolation, durability)

Problems in Distributed DBS

- Node failures, and communication failures (e.g., network partitioning)
- → **Distributed TX processing to ensure consistent view** (atomicity/durability)

Two-Phase Commit (via $4 \cdot (n-1)$ msgs)

- **Phase 1 PREPARE:** check for successful completion, logging
- **Phase 2 COMMIT:** commit/abort, release locks, and other cleanups
- What happens if nodes unavailable, or report errors on prepare



Two-Phase Commit (2PC), cont.

■ Excursus: Wedding Analogy

- Coordinator: marriage registrar
- **Phase 1:** Ask for willingness
- **Phase 2:** If all willing, declare marriage



■ #1 Problem: **Many Messages**

- $4(n-1)$ messages in successful case, otherwise additional msgs

■ #2 Problem: **Blocking Protocol**

- Local node PREPARE → FAILED → TX is guaranteed to be aborted
- Local node PREPARE → READY → waiting for global response
- Failure of coordinator+cohort, or participating coordinator → **outcome unknown**

■ Other Problems

- Atomicity in heterogeneous systems w/o XA
- Deadlock detection, optimistic concurrency control, etc

Note: APIs for automatic vs programmatic 2PC

Extended Distributed Commit Protocols

▪ 2PC Improvements

- **Hierarchical Commit:** establish message tree from coordinator to local nodes
→ parallelization of message handling over inner nodes
- **Presumed Abort:** assume abort if there are no commit log entries
→ asynchronous logging of aborts, no ACK on abort

▪ 1PC (fewer messages)

- Combine TX operations w/ PREPARE to reduce $2(n-1)$ messages
- Local nodes enter waiting state earlier

▪ 3PC (non-blocking)

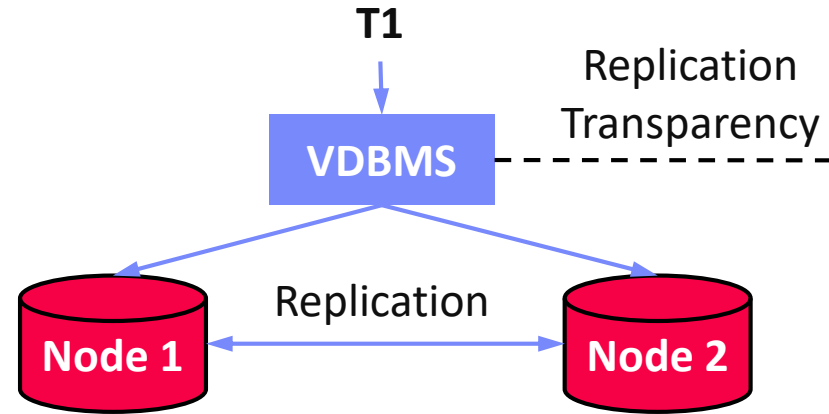
- a) CAN COMMIT? Yes/no
- b) PREPARE COMMIT? Ack
- c) COMMIT? Ack
- Cohorts can collectively decide on commit if at least one in PREPARE-COMMIT

Protocol	# Msgs
1PC	$2(n-1)$
2PC	$4(n-1)$
3PC	$6(n-1)$

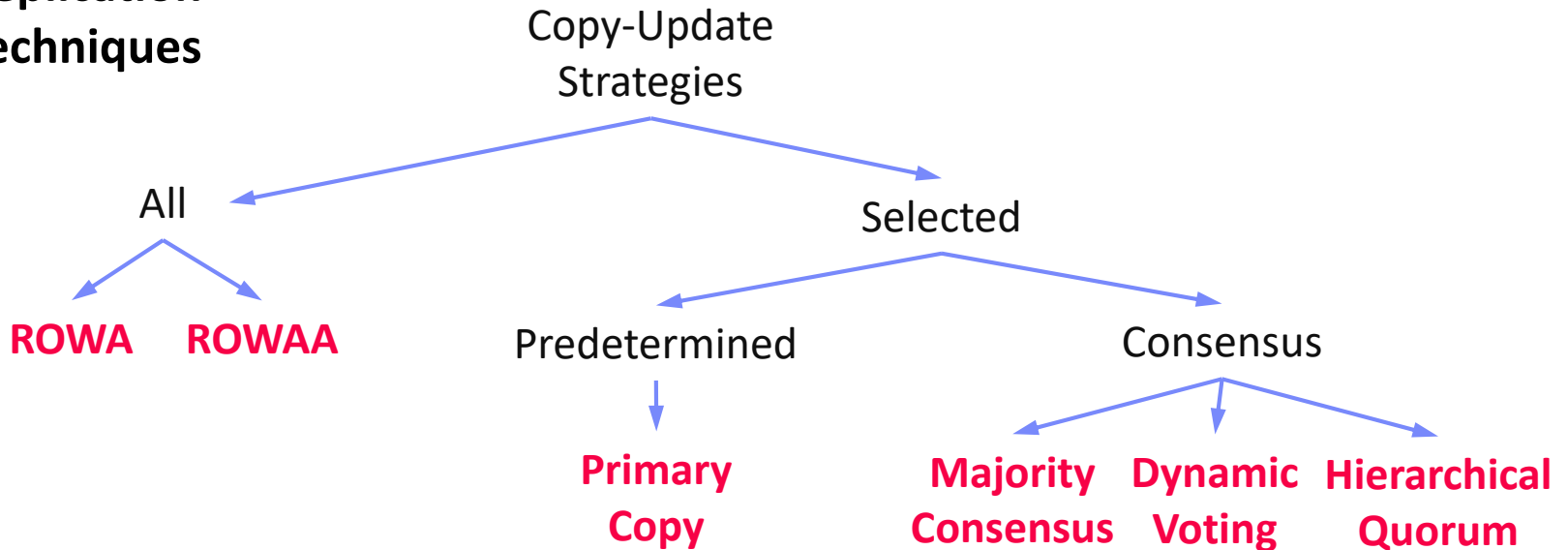
Replication Overview

Replication

- Redundancy of stored fragments
- Availability/efficiency (read) vs update overhead / storage



Replication Techniques



Replication Techniques

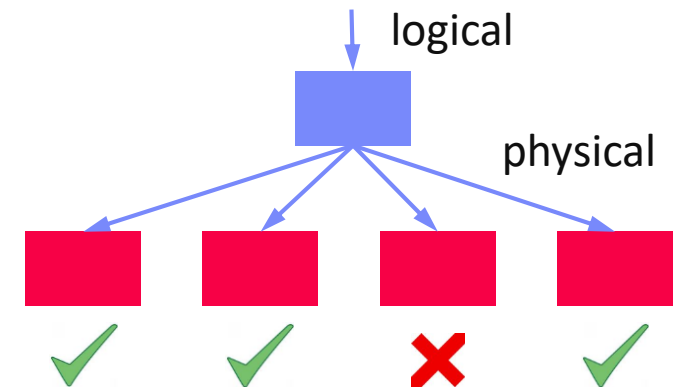
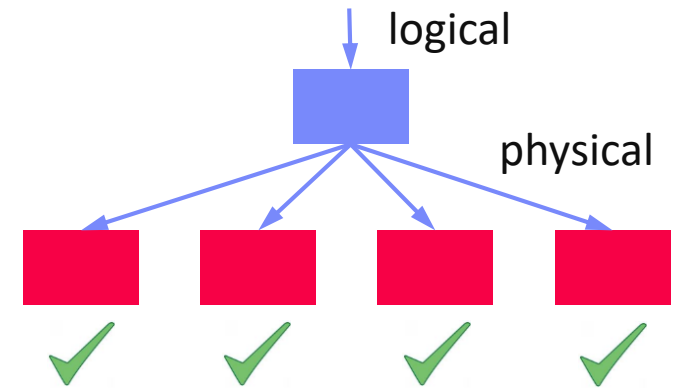
▪ ROWA

- Read-One/Write-All
- Read: good performance/availability
- Write: high overhead and only successful if all available

▪ ROWAA

- Read-One/Write-All-Available
- Relaxed availability requirement for write operations

„Update anywhere-anytime-anyway transactional replication has unstable behavior as the workload scales up: **a ten-fold increase in nodes and traffic gives a thousand fold increase in deadlocks or reconciliations**. Master copy replication (**primary copy**) schemes reduce this problem.”

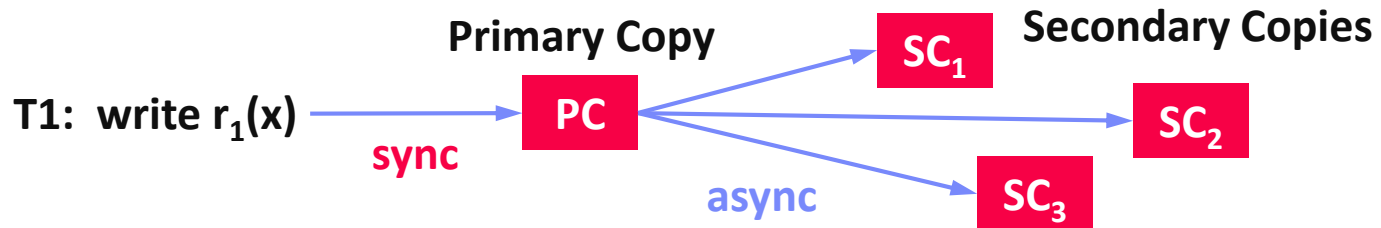


[Jim Gray, Pat Helland, Patrick E. O'Neil, Dennis Shasha: The Dangers of Replication and a Solution, **SIGMOD 1996**]

Replication Techniques, cont.

■ Primary Copy

- Update single primary copy **synchronously**
- **Asynchronous propagation** of updates to other replicates, read from all



- **Pro:** Higher update performance, good locality, and availability
- **Con:** Potentially stale read on secondary copies (w/ and w/o locks)
- **Load balancing:** place PC of different objects on different nodes

Replication Techniques, cont.

Consensus Protocols

- **Basic idea:** voting if read/write access is permissible (with regard to serializability)
- Each replicate has vote \rightarrow all votes Q
- Read quorum Q_R and write quorum Q_W

Overlap Rules:

$$Q_R + Q_W > Q$$

$$Q_W > Q/2$$

#1 Majority Consensus

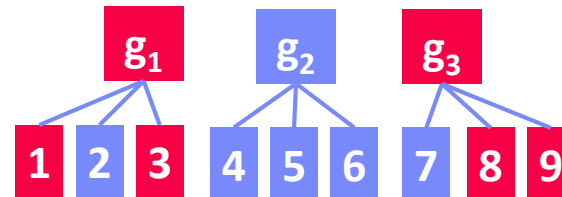
- Read requires $Q_R > Q/2$, lock all and read newest replica
- Write requires $Q_W > Q/2$, lock and update all

#2 Dynamic Quorums

- Problem: network partitioning \rightarrow retain vote for updated replica

#3 Hierarchical Quorums

- Obtain majority of nodes in multiple levels of the tree



Asynchronous Messaging

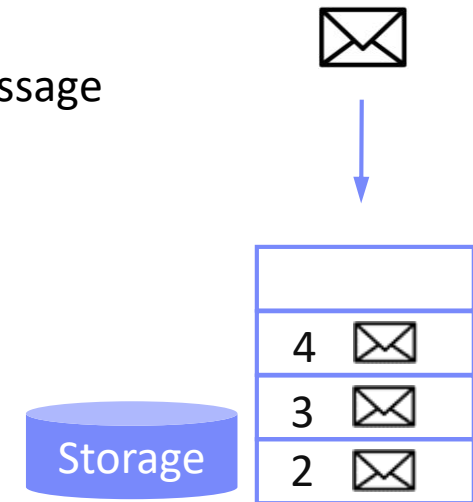
Message Queueing

Message

- Atomic packet of data + meta data, wrapped as a message

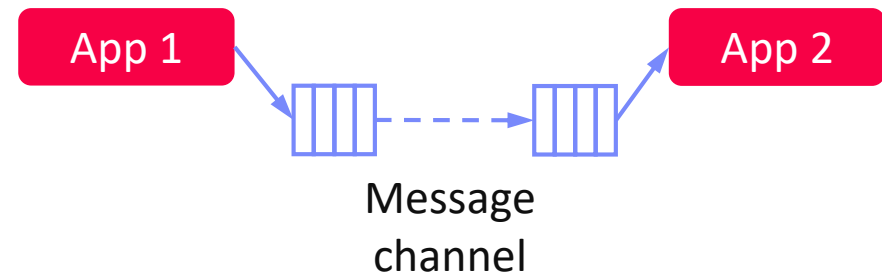
Message Queue

- FIFO or priority queue of messages
- In-memory, sometimes with persistent storage backend and transactional semantics
- Internal IDs, receive time



Remote Message Queues

- Loose coupling of applications (no direct API calls, etc)
- Independent of HW and OS



Recap: Message Delivery Guarantees

■ #1 At Most Once

- “Send and forget”, ensure data is never counted twice
- Might cause data loss on failures

■ #2 At Least Once

- “Store and forward” or acknowledgements from receiver, replay stream from a checkpoint on failures
- Might create incorrect state (processed multiple times)

■ #3 Exactly Once

- “Store and forward” w/ guarantees regarding state updates and sent msgs
- Often via dedicated transaction mechanisms

Example Systems

■ IBM MQSeries

- Message-oriented middleware for async queue communication
- Connections/objects: **MQCONN**, MQDISC, MQOPEN, MQCLOSE
- Queue ops: MQCRTMH, **MQPUT**, **MQGET**, MQSET, MQINQ, MQSTAT
- Transactions: MQBEGIN, MQBACK, MQCMIT



■ JMS (Java Message Service)

- J2EE API of messaging services in Java (messages, queues, sessions, etc)
- JMS providers: e.g., **IBM Websphere MQ**, **Apache ActiveMQ**, **RabbitMQ**

■ AWS Simple Queueing Service (SQS)

- Message queueing service for loose coupling of micro services
- Default queue: best effort order, **at-least-once**, high throughput
- FIFO: guarantees FIFO order, and **exactly-once**



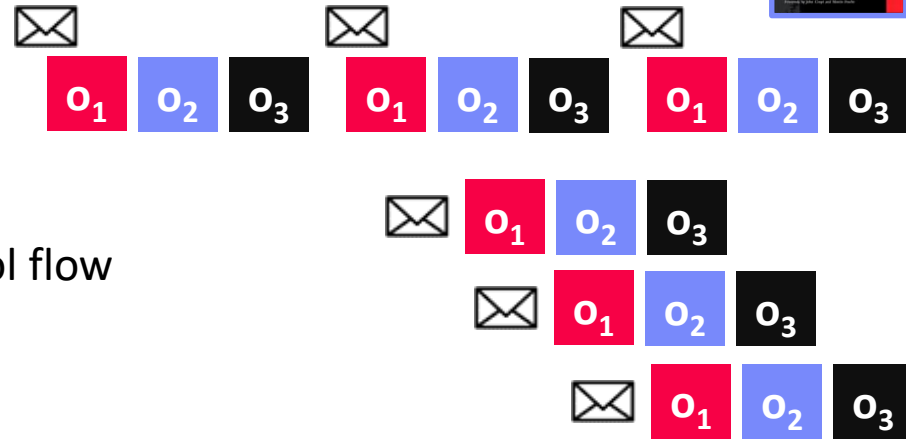
Parallel Message Processing

[Gregor Hohpe, Bobby Woolf: Enterprise Integration Patterns, Addison-Wesley, 2004]



#1 Pipeline Parallelism

- **“Pipes and filters”**: leverage pipeline parallelism of chains of operators
- More complex w/ routing / control flow (possible via punctuations)

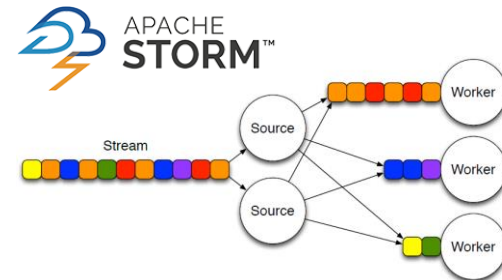


#2 Operator Parallelism

- Multi-threaded execution of multiple messages within one operator (pattern **“competing consumers”**)
- Requires robustness against partial out-of-order, or resequencing

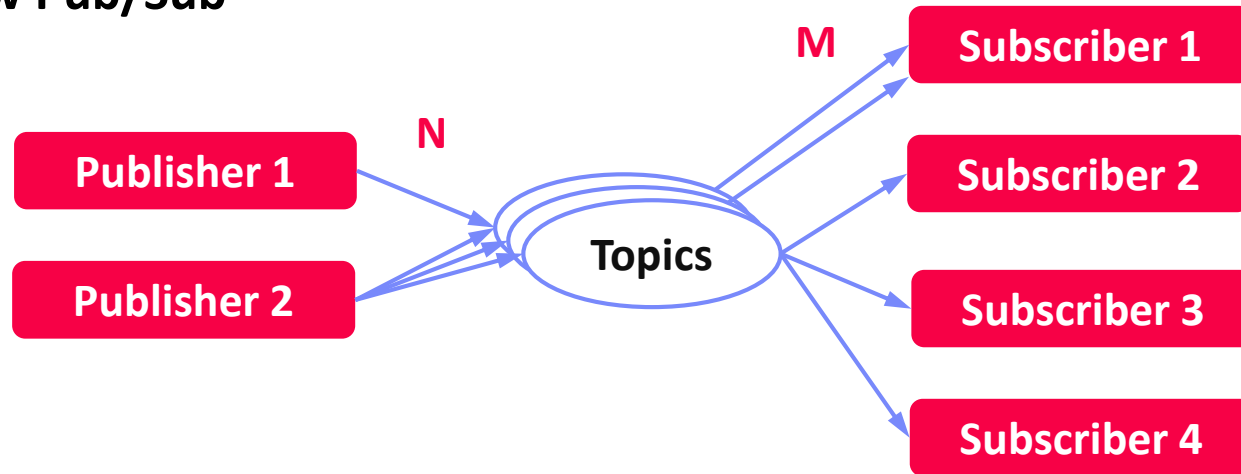
#3 Key Range Partitioning

- Explicit routing to independent pipelines (patterns **“message router”**, **“content-based router”**)
- Ordering requirements only within each pipeline



Publish/Subscribe Architecture

Overview Pub/Sub



Key Characteristics

- Often imbalance between few publishers and many subscribers
- **Topics**: explicit or implicit (e.g., predicates) groups of messages to publish into or subscribe from
- Addition and deletion of subscribers rare compared to message load
- ECA (event condition action) evaluation model
- Often **at-least-once** guarantee

Publish/Subscribe Architecture, cont.

Subscriber Filtering

- Complex predicates of range filters, equi-predicates, and negation
- Goal:** Avoid naïve scan over all subscriber predicates / topics

Matching Algorithm

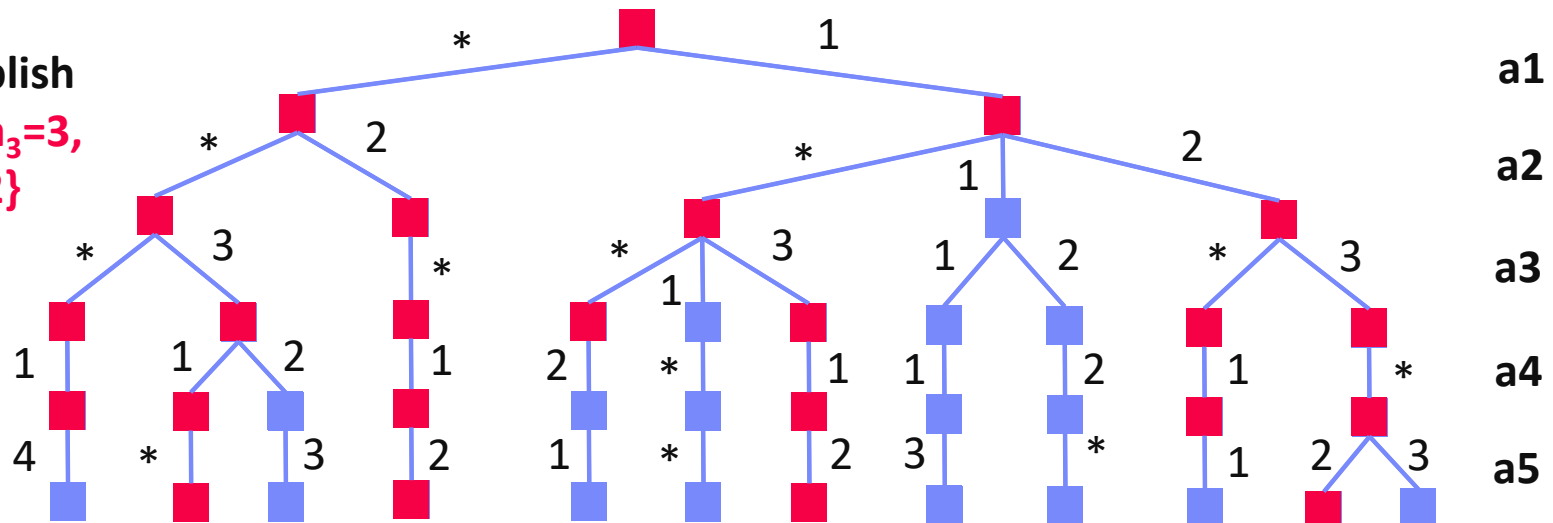
- Matching event against a set of subscriptions
- Approach:** sorting and parallel search tree

[Guruduth Banavar et al: An Efficient Multicast Protocol for Content-Based Publish-Subscribe Systems. **ICDCS 1999**]



Example Publish

$\{a_1=1, a_2=2, a_3=3, a_4=1, a_5=2\}$



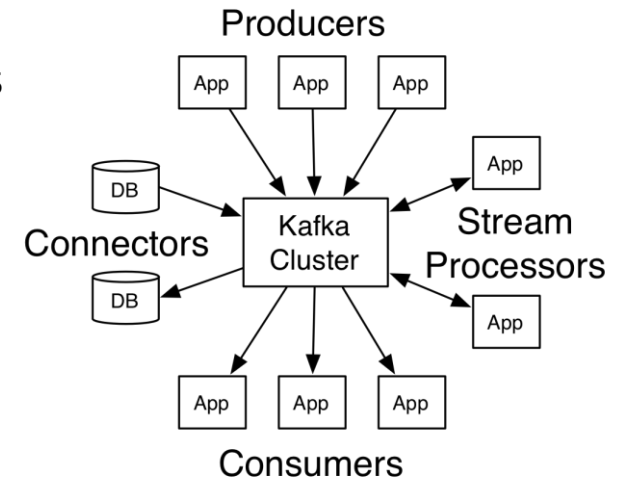
Apache Kafka

[\[https://kafka.apache.org/documentation\]](https://kafka.apache.org/documentation)



Overview System Architecture

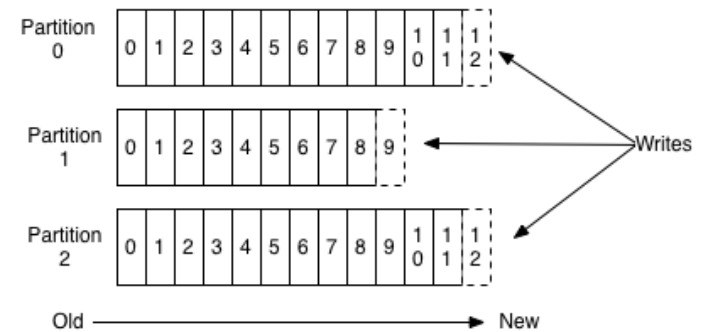
- **Publish & Subscribe** system w/ partitioned topics
- **Storage of data streams** in distributed, fault-tolerant cluster (replicated)
- Configurable **retention periods** (e.g., days)
- **APIs:** producer API, consumer API, streams API, Connector API



Topics

- Explicit categories w/ user-defined (semantic) partitioning
- Partitions are ordered, immutable sequences of records (log) w/ **offsets**
- Current **offset** per consumer stored

Anatomy of a Topic

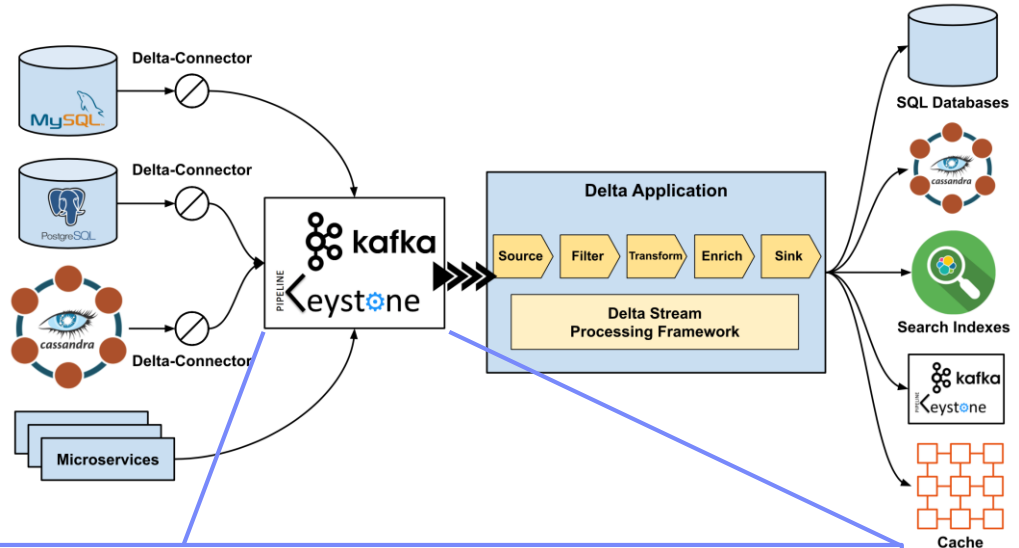


Apache Kafka, cont.

[<https://medium.com/netflix-techblog/delta-a-data-synchronization-and-enrichment-platform-e82c36a79aee>, Oct 15 2019]

Netflix Delta

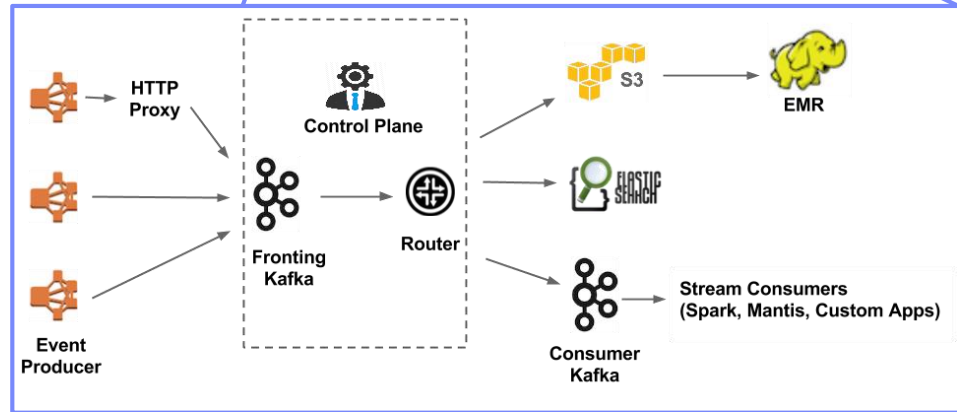
- **A Data Synchronization and Enrichment Platform**
- DSL and UDF APIs for custom filters and transformations



Netflix Keystone (Kafka frontend)

- **~500G events/day** (5M events/s peak)
- **~1.3PB/day**

[<https://medium.com/netflix-techblog/evolution-of-the-netflix-data-pipeline-da246ca36905>]



Message-oriented Integration Platforms

Overview

■ Motivation

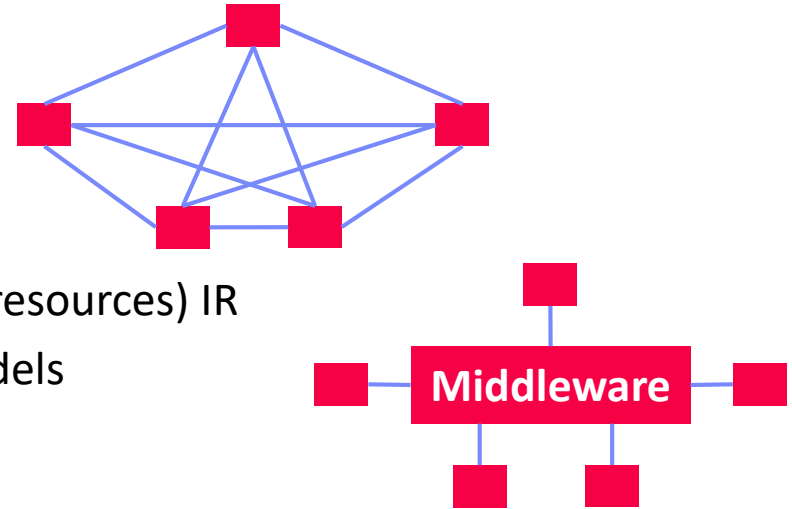
- Integration of many applications and systems via common (information resources) IR
- **Beware:** syntactic vs semantic data models

■ Evolving Names

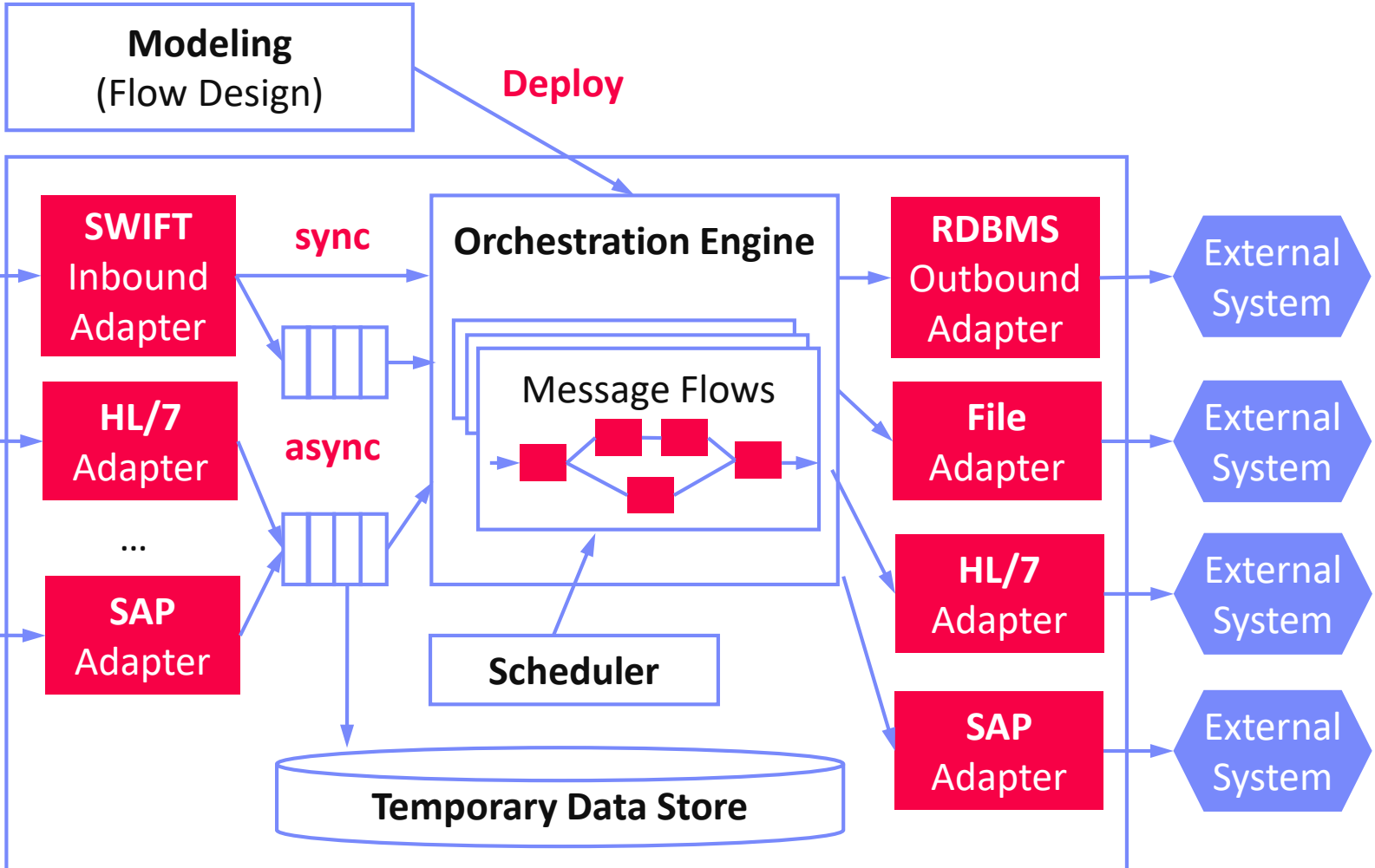
- Enterprise Application Integration (EAI)
- Enterprise Service Bus (ESB)
- Message Broker

■ Example Systems

- IBM App Connect Enterprise (aka Integration Bus, aka Message Broker)
- MS Azure Integration Services + Service Bus (aka Biztalk Server)
- SAP Process Integration (aka Exchange Infrastructure)
- SQL AG TransConnect



Common System Architecture



Common System Architecture, cont.

■ #1 Synchronous Message Processing

- **Event:** **client input message**
- Client system blocks until message flow executed to output messages delivered to target systems

■ #2 Asynchronous Message Processing

- **Event:** **client input message from queue**
- Client system blocks until input message stored in queue
- Asynchronous message flow processing and output message delivery
- Optional acknowledgement, when input message successfully processed

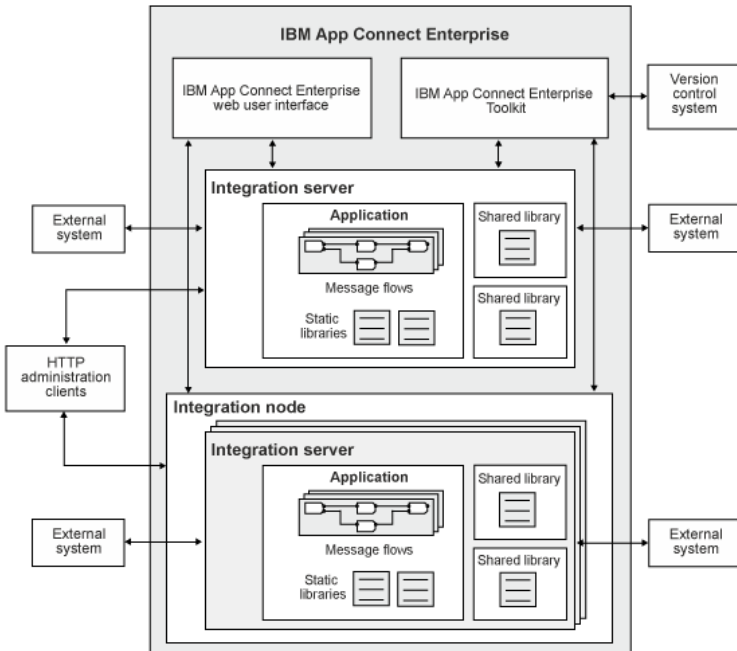
■ #3 Scheduled Processing

- **Event:** **time-based scheduled** message flows (cron jobs)
- Periodic data replication and loading (e.g., ETL use cases)

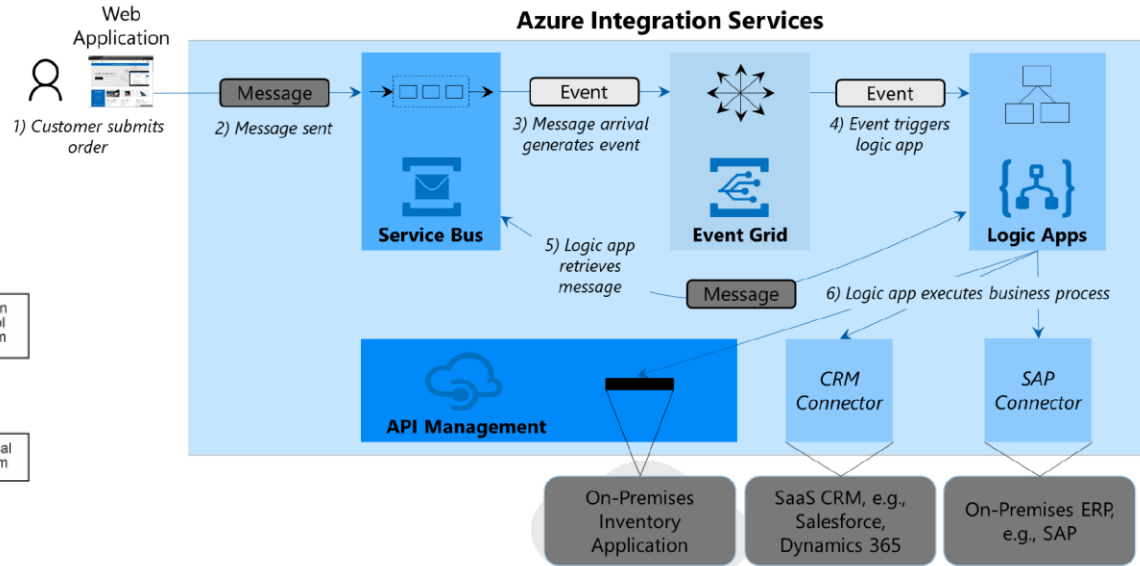
Commercial Systems

[IBM App Connect Enterprise:

https://www.ibm.com/support/knowledgecenter/en/SSTTDS_11.0.0/com.ibm.etools.mft.doc/ab20551_.htm



[<https://azure.microsoft.com/mediahandler/files/resourcefiles/azure-integration-services/Azure-Integration-Services-Whitepaper-v1-0.pdf>]



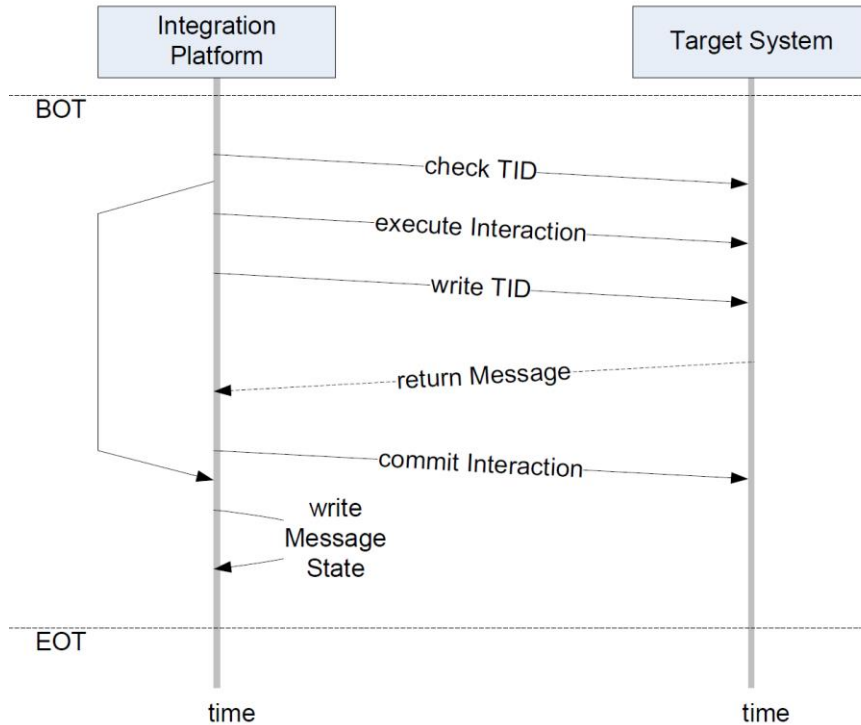
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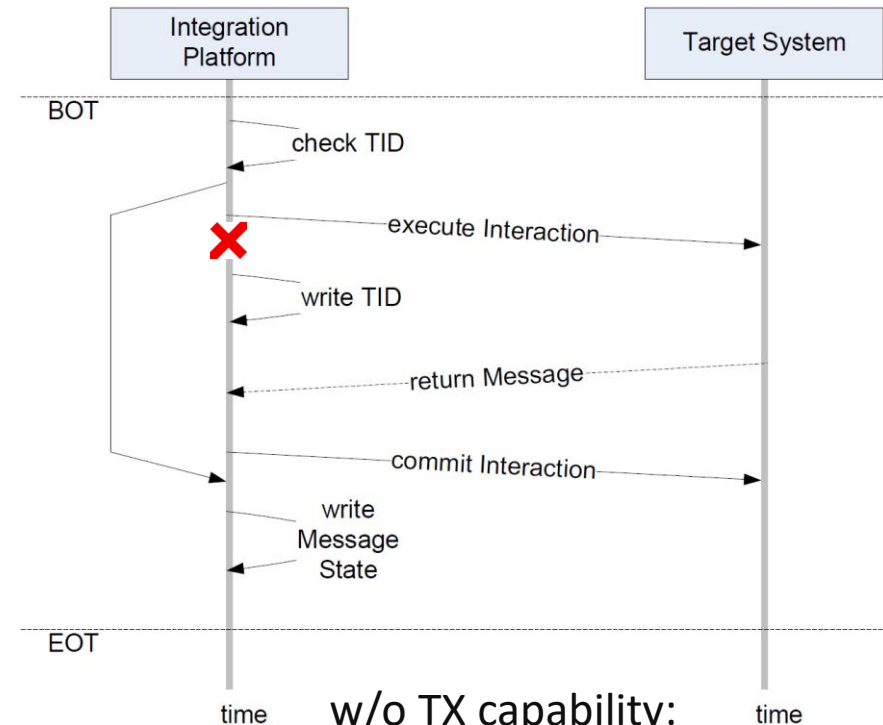
Message Delivery Guarantees, cont.

- Example **Exactly-Once**

**Remote ID Maintenance
w/ TX capability**



**Local ID Maintenance
w/ TX capability**



w/o TX capability:
at-least-once

[Credit: SQL AG - <https://www.transconnect-online.de/>]

Recap: XML (Extensible Markup Language)

■ XML Data Model

- Meta language to define specific **exchange formats**
- Document format for **semi-structured data**
- Well formedness
- XML schema / DTD

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<data>
  <student id="1">
    <course id="INF.01014UF" name="Databases"/>
    <course id="706.550" name="AMLS"/>
  </student>
  <student id="5">
    <course id="706.004" name="Databases 1"/>
  </student>
</data>
```

■ XPath (XML Path Language)

```
/data/student[@id='1']/course/@name
```

- Query language for **accessing collections of nodes** of an XML document
- Axis specifies for ancestors, descendants, siblings, etc



■ XSLT (XML Stylesheet Language Transformations)

- Schema mapping (transformation) language for XML documents

■ XQuery

- Query language to extract, transform, and analyze XML documents

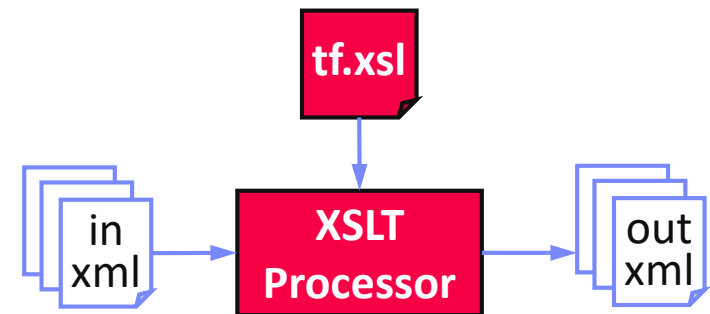
XSLT in Integration Platforms

■ Problem

- XML often used as **external and internal data representation**
- Different schemas (message types) → **requires mapping**

■ XSLT Overview

- XSLT processor transforms input XML document according to XML stylesheet to output XML documents
- Subtree specifications via XPath, loops, branches built-in functions for text processing, etc
- **Streaming**: STX or XSLT 3.0 streaming
- **CSV** and **JSON** input/output possible



■ Note: Similar tools/libraries for JSON

XSLT Example

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<xsl:stylesheet version="2.0" xmlns:xsl="http://www.w3.org/1999/XSL/Transform">
<xsl:template match="/">
  <xsl:element name="suppliers">
    <xsl:for-each select="/resultsets/resultset[@Tablename='Supplier']/row">
      <xsl:element name="supplier">
        <xsl:attribute name="ID"><xsl:value-of select="Suppkey"/></xsl:attribute>
        <xsl:element name="Name"><xsl:value-of select="Suppname"/></xsl:element>
        <xsl:element name="Address"><xsl:value-of select="SuppAddress"/></xsl:element>
      </xsl:element>
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</xsl:template>
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      <SuppAddress>1035 Coleman Rd</SuppAddress>
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Summary and Q&A

- **Distributed TX & Replication Techniques**
 - Distributed commit protocols
 - Different replication techniques
- **Asynchronous Messaging**
 - Message queueing systems
 - Publish/subscribe systems
- **Message-oriented Integration Platforms**
 - System architecture and systems
 - Schema mappings via transformations
- **Next Lectures (Data Integration Techniques)**
 - **04 Schema Matching and Mapping** [Oct 28]
 - **05 Entity Linking and Deduplication** [Nov 04]