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Distributed Systems

Scalable and big data systems



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Distributed systems

Integration styles

Topologies: Hub & Spoke, Bus

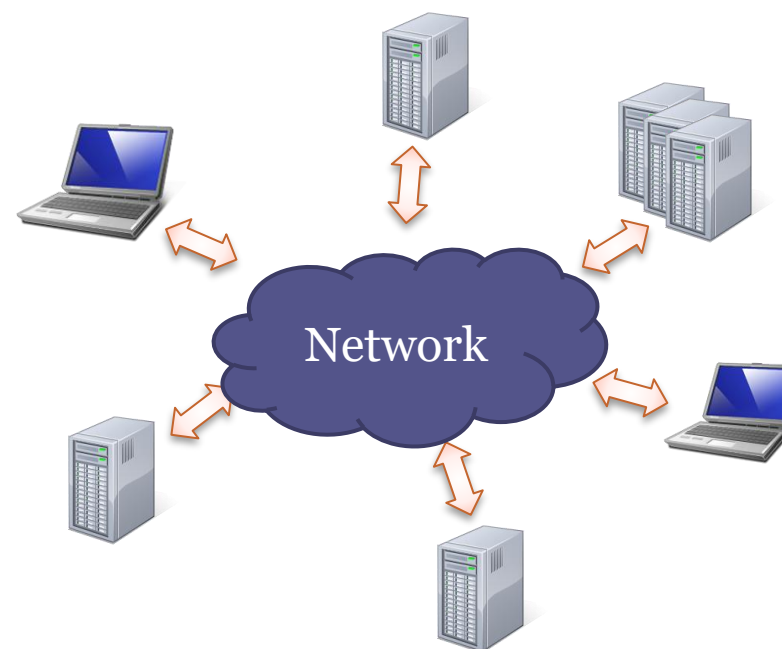
Broker pattern

Peer-to-peer

SOA: WS-* vs REST

Microservices

Serverless



Integration styles

File transfer

Shared database

Remote procedure call

Messaging

File transfer

An application generates a data file that is consumed by another

One of the most common solutions

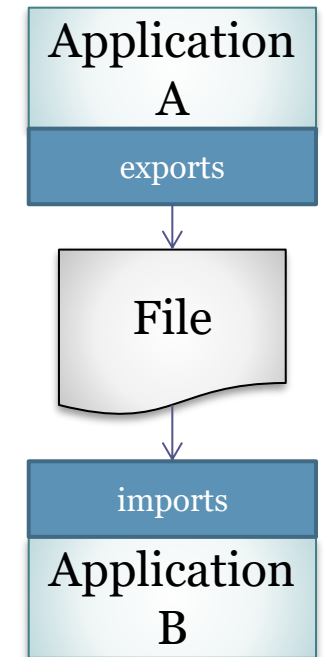
Advantages

Independence between A and B

Low coupling

Easier debugging

By checking intermediate files



File transfer

Challenges

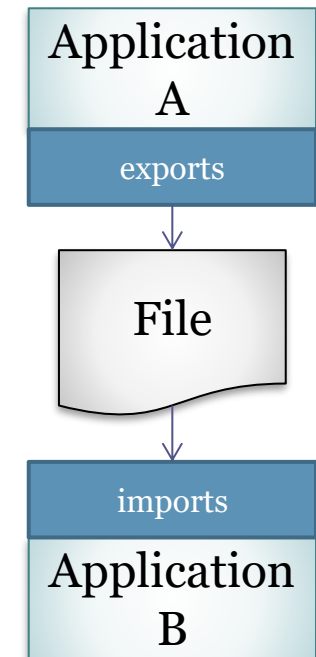
Both applications must agree a common file format

It can increase coupling

Coordination

Once the file has been sent, the receiver could modify it \Rightarrow 2 files!

It may require manual adjustments



Shared database

Applications store their data in a shared database

Advantage

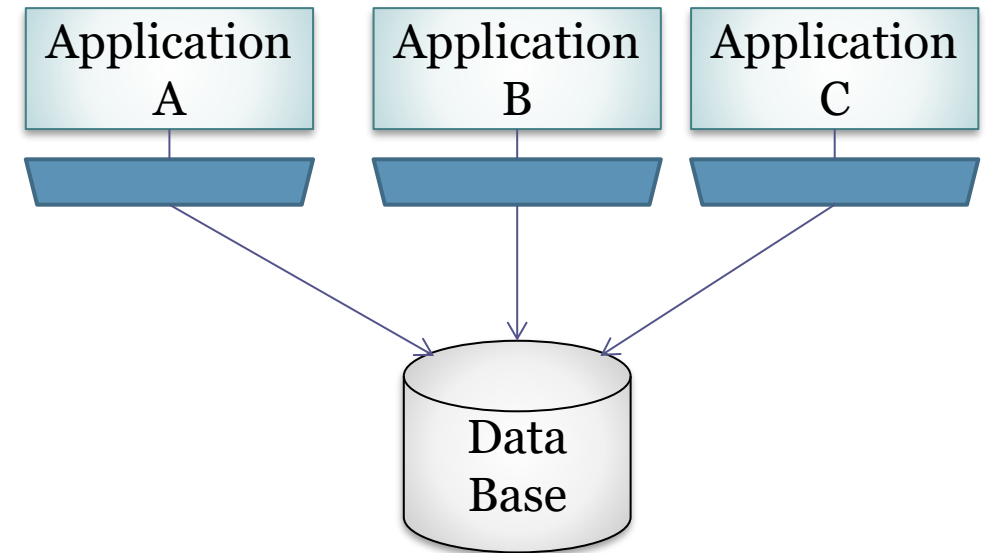
Data are always available

Everyone has access to the same information

Consistency

Familiar format

SQL for everything



Shared database

Challenges

Database schema can evolve

It requires a common schema for all applications

That can cause problems/conflicts

External packages are needed (common database)

Performance and scalability

Database as a bottleneck

Synchronization

Distributed databases can be problematic

Scalability

NoSQL ?

Shared database

Variants

Data warehousing: Database used for data analysis and reports

ETL: process based on 3 stages

Extraction: Get data from heterogeneous sources

Transform: Process data

Load: Store data in a shared database

Remote Procedure Call (RPC)

An application calls a function from another application that could be in another machine

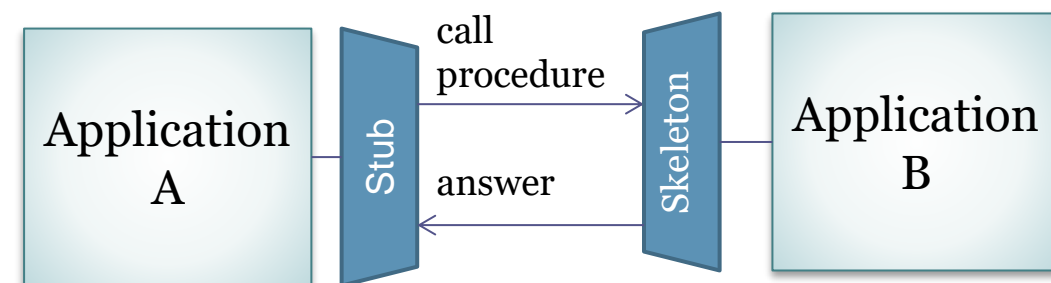
Invocation can pass parameters

Obtains an answer

Lots of applications

RPC, RMI, CORBA, .Net Remoting, ...

Web services, ...



Remote Procedure Call (RPC)

Advantages

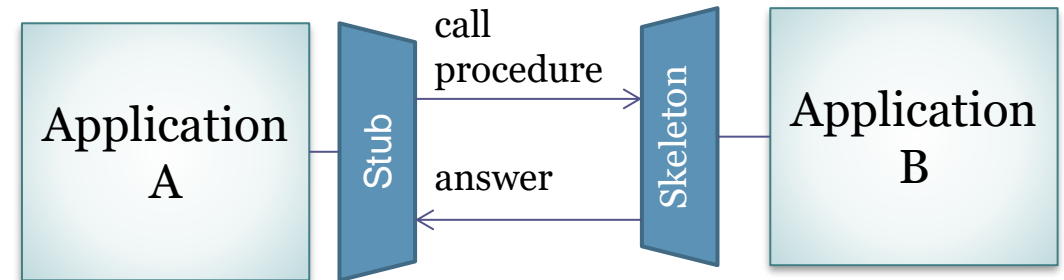
Encapsulation of implementation

Multiple interfaces for the same information

Different representations can be offered

Model familiar for developers

It is similar to invoke a method



Remote Procedure Call (RPC)

Challenges

False sense of simplicity

Remote procedure \neq procedure

8 fallacies of distributed computing

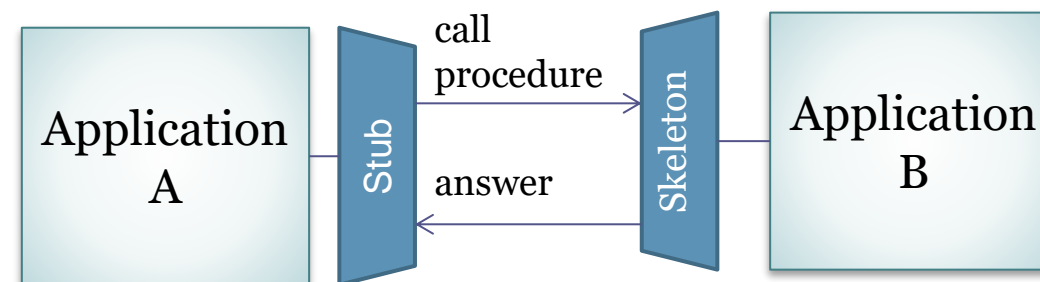
Synchronous procedure calls

Increase application coupling

The network is reliable
 Latency is zero
 Bandwidth is infinite
 The network is secure
 Topology doesn't change
 There is one administrator
 Transport cost is zero
 The network is homogeneous

8 fallacies of distributed computing

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Fallacies_of_distributed_computing



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UZxLYv5RFyI&t=54s>

Remote procedure call

More recent proposals: gRPC (<https://grpc.io/>)

Google proposal

High performance RPC framework

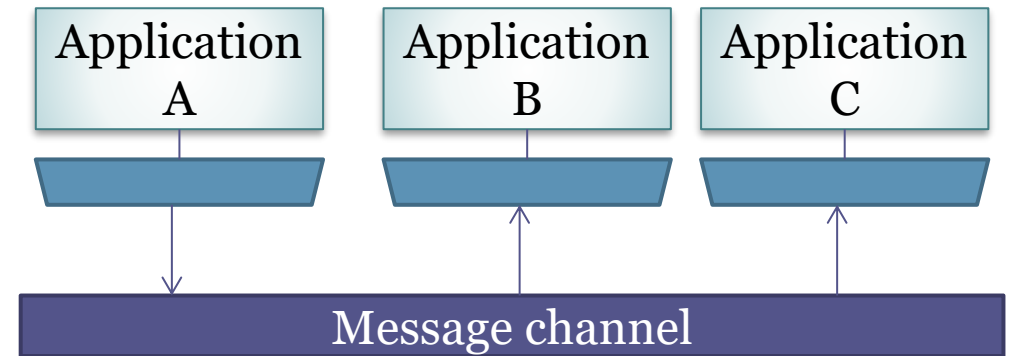
http/2 transport protocol

Messaging

Multiple independent applications communicate sending messages through a channel

Asynchronous communication

Applications send messages and continue their execution



Messaging

Advantages

Low coupling

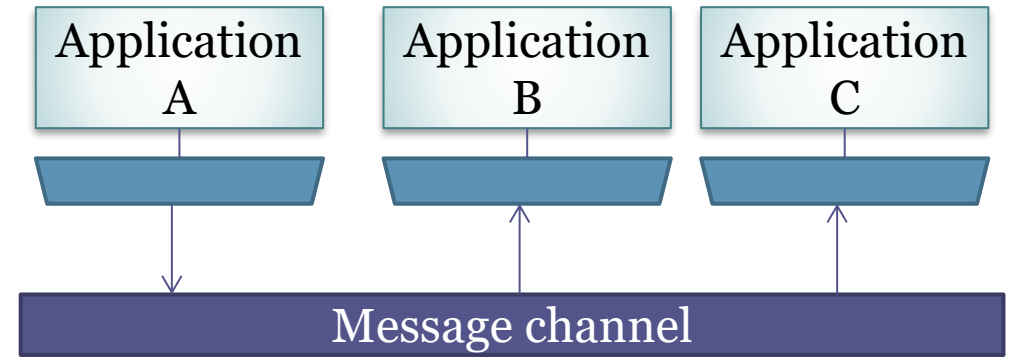
Applications are independent between each other

Asynchronous communication

Applications continue their execution

Implementation encapsulation

The only thing exposed is the type of messages



Challenges

Implementation complexity

Asynchronous communication

Data transfer

Adapt message formats

Different topologies

Integration topologies

Hub & Spoke

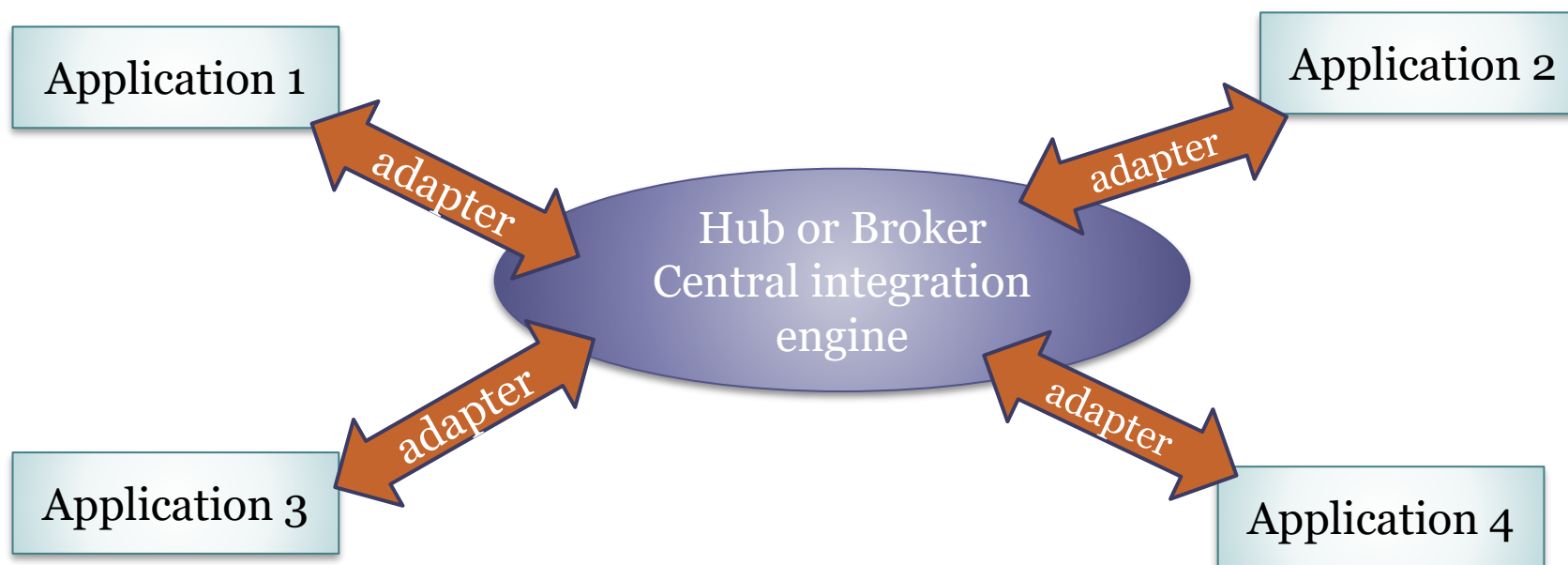
Bus

Hub & Spoke

Related with Broker pattern

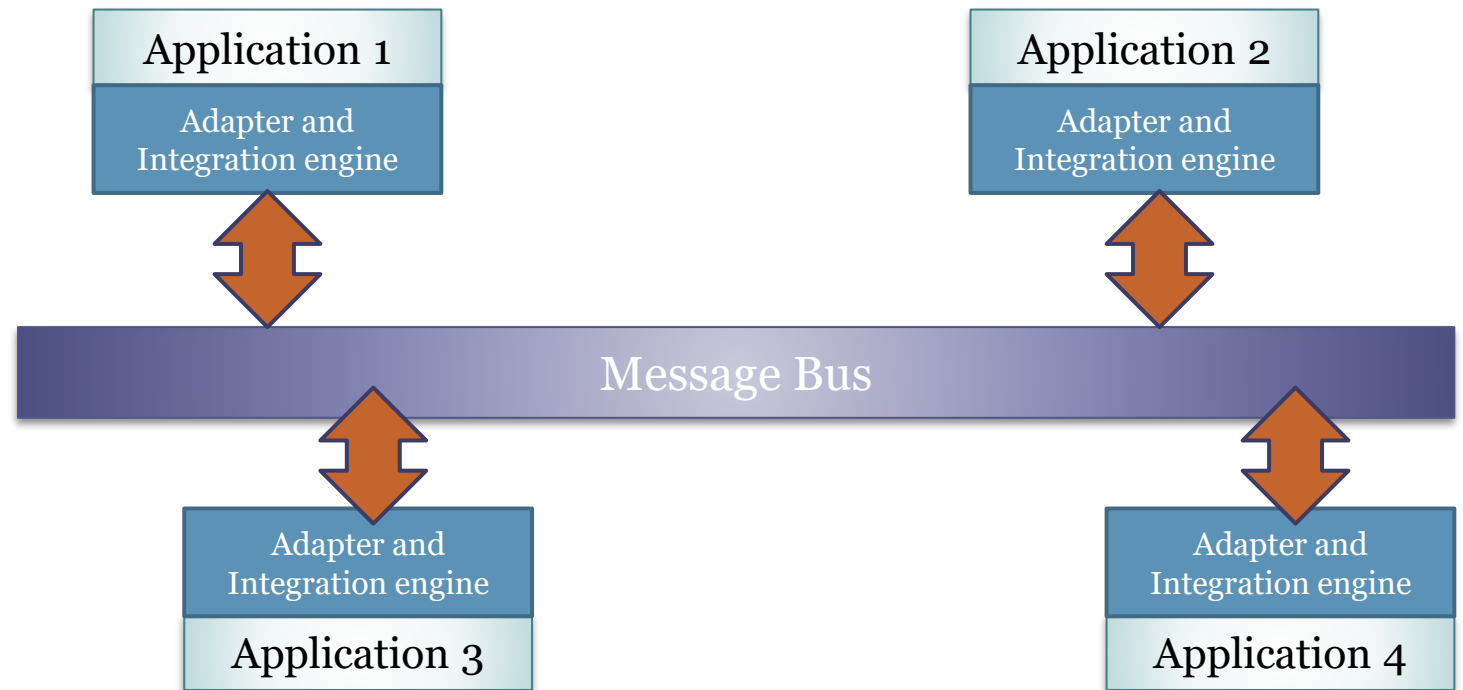
Hub = Centralized message Broker

It is in charge of integration



Bus

Each application contains its own integration machine
Publish/Subscribe style



Bus

ESB - Enterprise Service Bus

Defines the messaging backbone

Some tasks

- Protocol conversion

- Data transformation

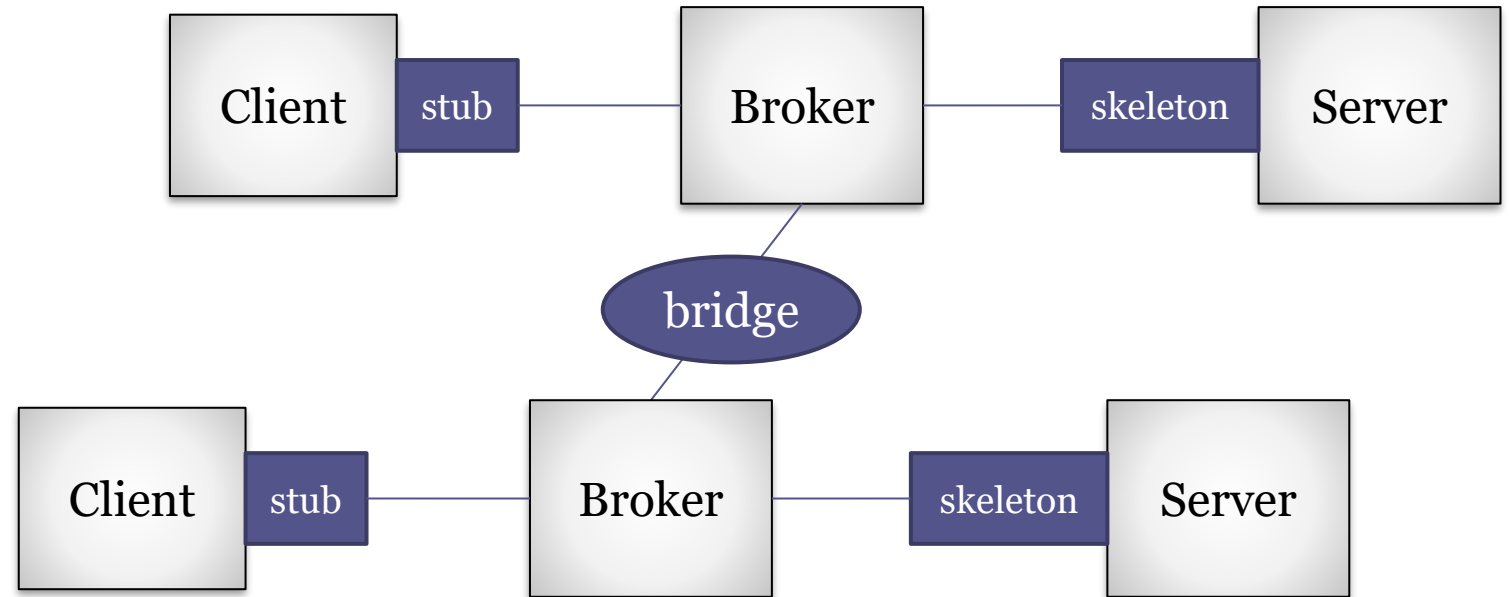
- Routing

Offers an API to develop services

MOM (Message Oriented Middleware)

Broker

Intermediate node that manages communication between a client and a server



Broker

Elements

Broker

Manages communication

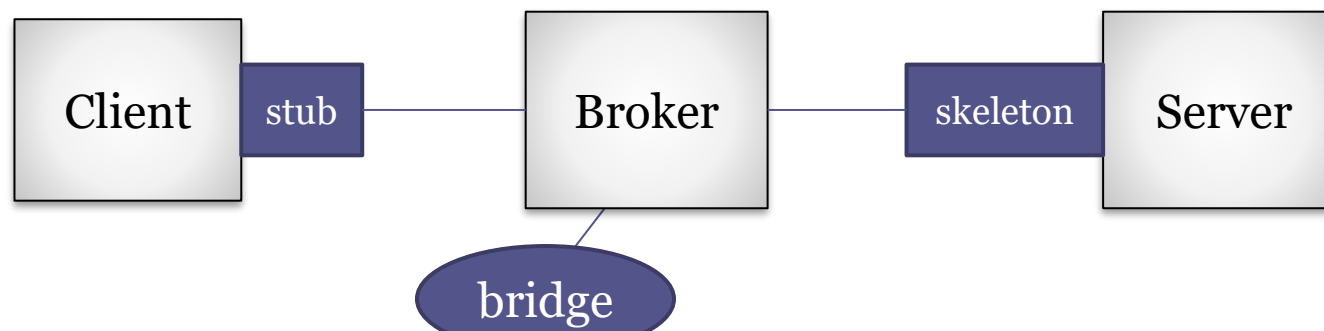
Client: Sends requests

Client Proxy: *stub*

Server: Returns answers

Server Proxy: *skeleton*

Bridge: Can connect brokers



Broker

Advantages

Separation of concerns

Delegates low level communication aspects to the broker

Separate maintenance

Reusability

Servers are independent from clients

Portability

Broker = low level aspects

Interoperability

Using *bridges*

Challenges

Performance

Adds an indirection layer

Can increase coupling between components

Broker = single point of failure

Broker

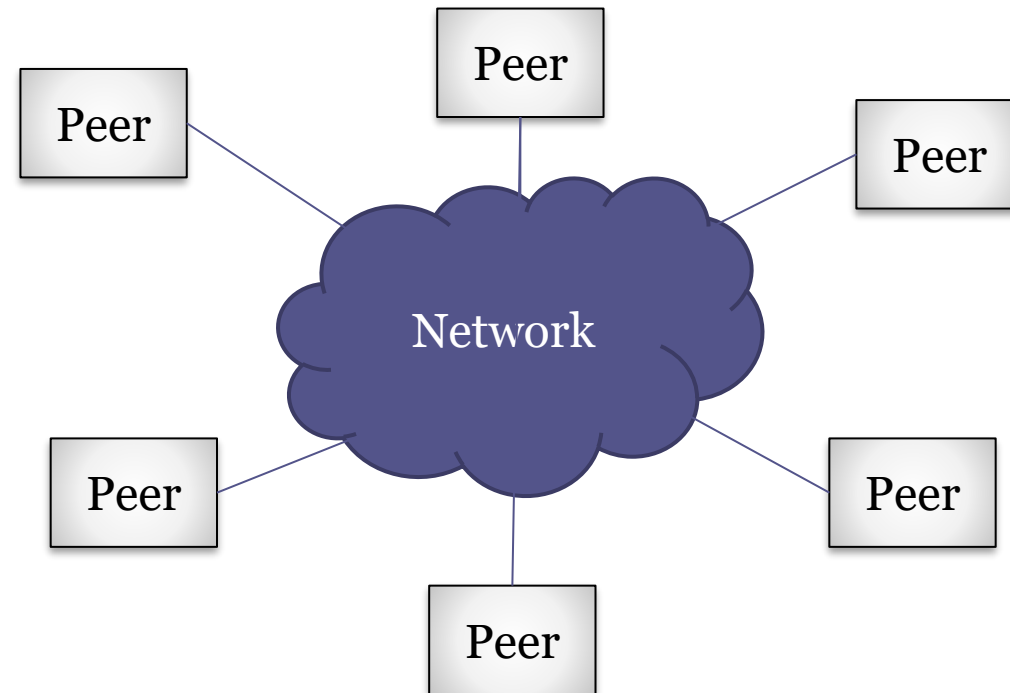
Applications

CORBA and distributed systems

Android uses a variation of Broker pattern

Peer-to-Peer

Equal and autonomous nodes (*peers*) that communicate between them.



Peer-to-Peer

Elements

Computational nodes: *peers*

They contain their own state and control thread

Network protocol

Constraints

There is no main node

All peers are equal

Peer-to-Peer

Advantages

Decentralized information and control

Fault tolerance

There is no single point of failure

A failure in one peer does not compromise the whole system

Challenges

Keeping the state of the system

Complexity of the protocol

Bandwidth Limitations

Network and protocol latency

Security

Detect malicious *peers*

Peer-to-Peer

Popular applications

Napster, BitTorrent, Gnutella, ...

This architecture style is not only to share files

e-Commerce (B2B)

Collaborative systems

Sensor networks

Blockchain

...

Variants

Super-peers

Service Oriented Architectures

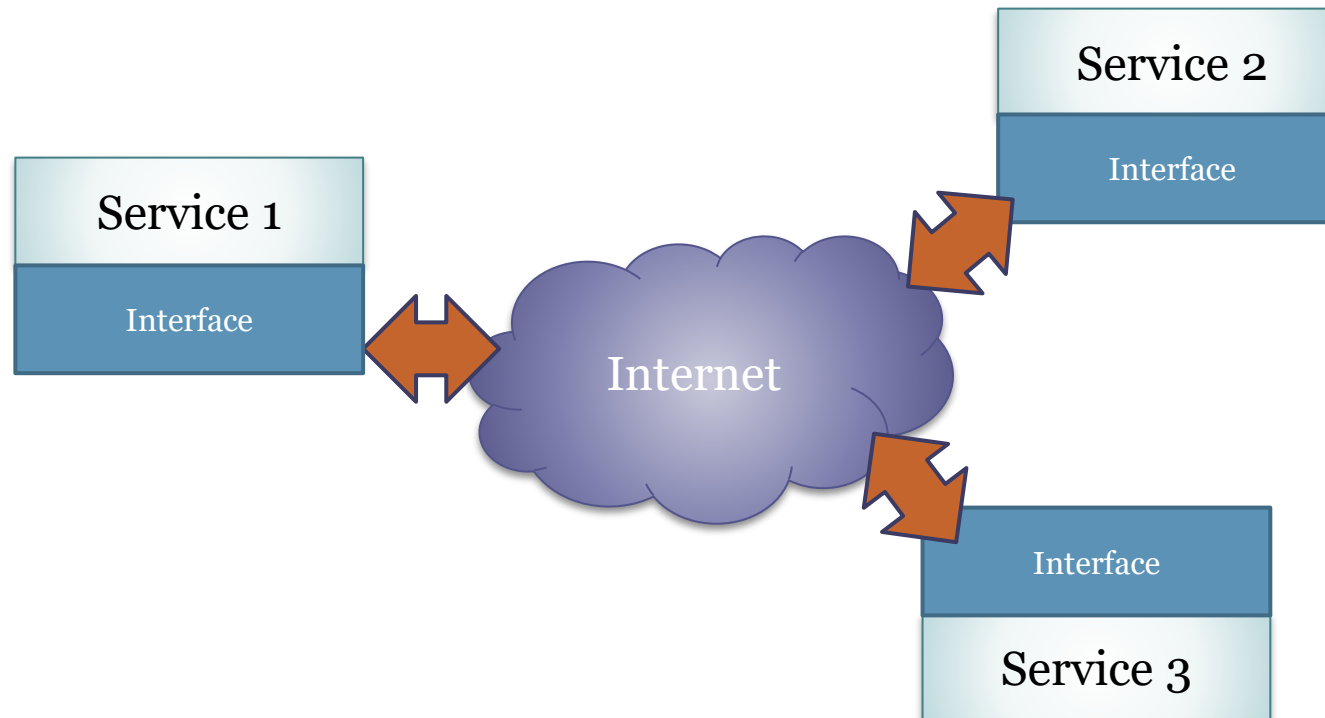
SOA

WS-*

REST

SOA

SOA = Service Oriented Architecture
Services are defined by an interface



SOA

Elements

Provider: Provides service

Consumer: Does requests to the service

Messages: Exchanged information

Contract: Description of the functionality provided by the service

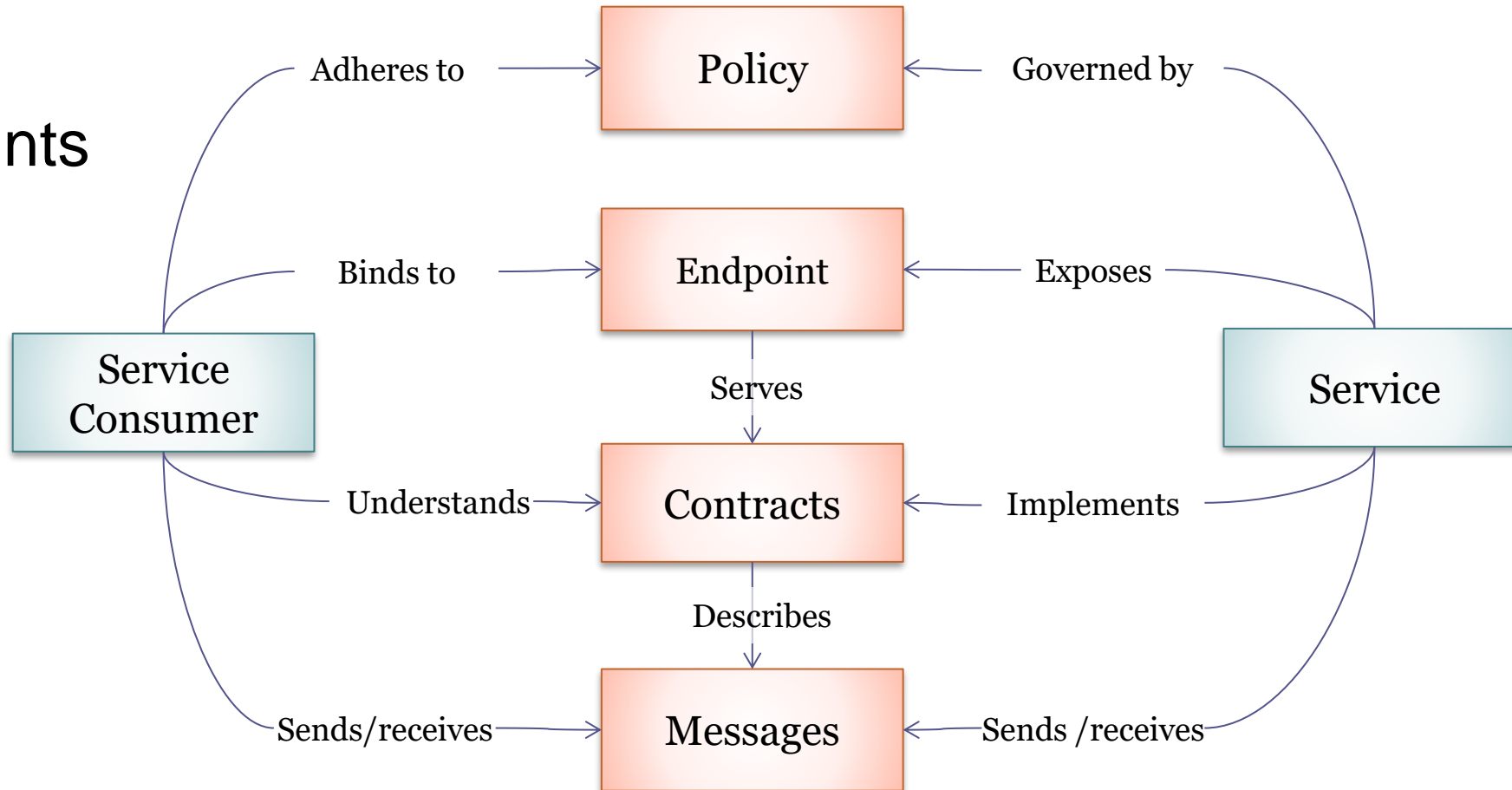
Endpoint: Service location

Policy: Service level agreements

Security, performance, etc.

SOA

Constraints



SOA

Advantages

Independent of language and platform

Interoperability

Use of standards

Low coupling

Decentralized

Reusability

Scalability

one-to-many vs one-to-one

Partial solution for legacy systems

Adding a web services layer

Challenges

Performance

E.g. real time systems

Overkill in very homogeneous environments

Security

Risk of public exhibition of API to external parties

DoS attacks

Service composition and coordination

SOA

Variants:

WS-*

REST

WS-*

WS-* model = Set of specifications

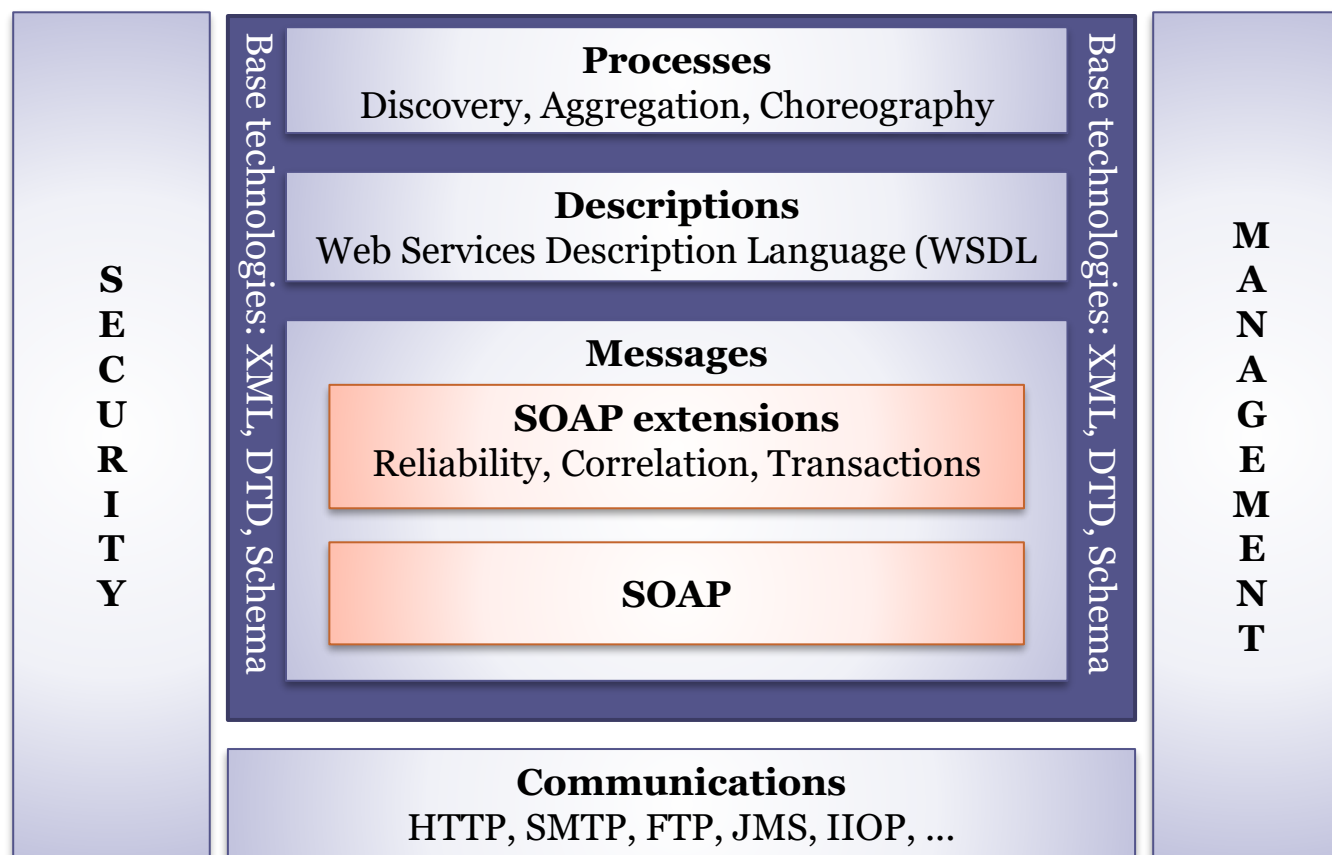
SOAP, WSDL, UDDI, etc....

Proposed by W3C, OASIS, WS-I, etc.

Goal: Reference SOA implementation

WS-*

Web Services Architecture



Web Services Standards

Interoperability Issues

- Basic Profile**
1.1 (WS-I)
Final Specification
- Attachments Profile**
1.1 (WS-I)
Final Specification
- Simple SOAP Binding Profile**
1.1 (WS-I)
Final Specification
- Basic Security Profile**
1.0
Working Draft
- REL Token Profile**
1.0
Working Draft
- SAML Token Profile**
1.0
Working Draft
- Conformance Claim Attachment Mechanism (CCAM)**
1.0 (WS-I)
Final Specification
- Reliable Asynchronous Messaging Profile (RAMP)**
1.0
IBM, Fiat, Mobic Company

Standards Bodies

OASIS is the Organization for the Advancement of Structured Information Standards (OASIS) is a non-profit, membership-based organization that develops and maintains standards for information technology.

ISO is the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) is a non-profit, membership-based organization that develops and maintains standards for information technology.

W3C is the World Wide Web Consortium (W3C) is a non-profit, membership-based organization that develops and maintains standards for information technology.

Business Process Specifications

- Business Process Execution Language for Web Services (BPEL4WS)**
1.1 (WS-I, IBM, Microsoft, SAP, Sun Microsystems, SAP, IBM, Microsoft, SAP)
Working Draft
- Business Process Choreography Model Overview**
1.0 (WS-I)
Working Draft
- Business Process Choreography Description Language**
1.0 (WS-I)
Working Draft
- Web Service Choreography Interface**
1.0 (WS-I)
Sun Microsystems, SAP, IBM, Microsoft, SAP
Working Draft

Management Specifications

- Web Services Management Foundation**
1.0 (WS-I)
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- WS-Events**
2.1 (WS-I)
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- Web Services Management (WSM)**
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- Management Using Web Services**
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- Management Of Web Services**
1.0 (WS-I)
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Metadata Specifications

- WS-Policy**
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- WS-PolicyAssertions**
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- WS-PolicyAttachment**
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- WS-Discovery**
1.0 (WS-I)
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- WS-MetadataExchange**
1.0 (WS-I)
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Public Draft
- Universal Description, Discovery and Integration (UDDI)**
3.0 (WS-I)
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- Web Service Description Language (WSDL)**
2.0
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Reliability Specifications

- WS-ReliableMessaging**
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- WS-Reliability**
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Security Specifications

- WS-Security**
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- WS-Security: Thematic Token Profile**
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- WS-Security: SOAP Message Security**
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- WS-Security: Kerberos Binding**
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- WS-Trust**
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- WS-Security: SAML Token Profile**
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- WS-Security: X.509 Certificate Token Profile**
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- WS-SecureConversation**
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Transaction Specifications

- WS-Business Activity**
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- WS-Atomic Transaction**
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- WS-Coordination**
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- WS-Composite Application Framework (WS-CAF)**
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- WS-Context**
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- WS-Coordination Framework**
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- WS-Transaction Management**
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Resource Specifications

- Web Services Resource Framework**
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- WS-BaseFaults**
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- WS-ServiceGroup**
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- WS-ResourceProperties**
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- WS-ResourceLifetime**
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- WS-Transfer**
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- Resource Representation SOAP Header Block (RRSHB)**
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Messaging Specifications

- WS-Notification**
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- WS-Addressing**
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- WS-Eventing**
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- WS-Topics**
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- WS-Enumeration**
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- WS-BrokeredNotification**
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- WS-Message**
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SOAP

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- SOAP Message Transmission Optimization Mechanism (MTOM)**
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XML Specifications

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- Namespaces in XML**
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- XML Information Set**
1.0 (WS-I)
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- XML Schema**
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- XML Schema - XML Schema**
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Dependencies

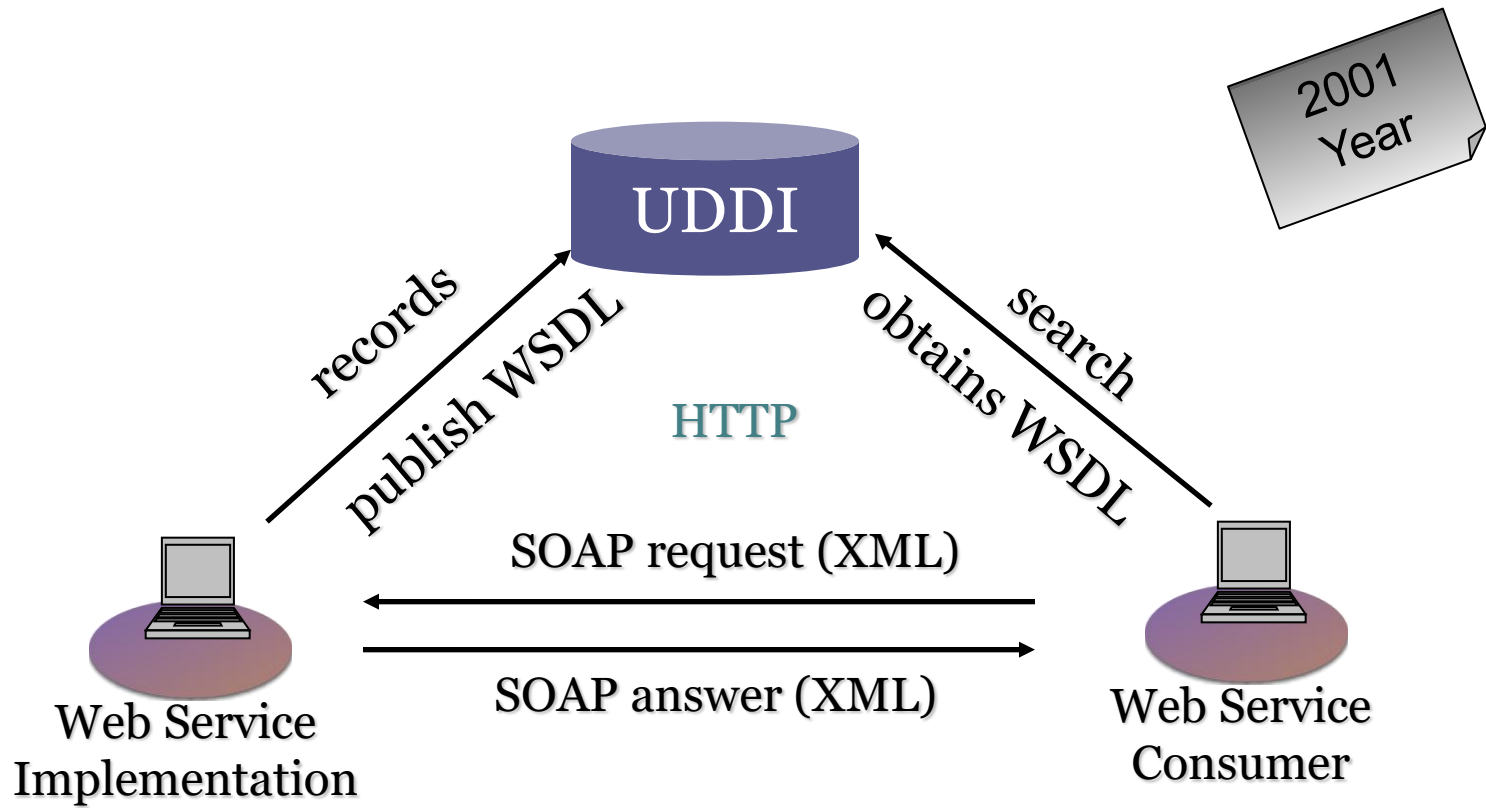
The dependency matrix shows the following categories and their dependencies:

- Messaging Specifications:** WS-Notification, WS-Addressing, WS-Eventing, WS-BaseNotification, WS-Topics, WS-Enumeration, WS-BrokeredNotification, WS-Message.
- Metadata Specifications:** WS-Policy, WS-PolicyAssertions, WS-PolicyAttachment, WS-Discovery, WS-MetadataExchange, UDDI, WSDL.
- Security Specifications:** WS-Security, WS-Security: SOAP Message Security, WS-SecurityPolicy, WS-Security: Kerberos Binding, WS-Trust, WS-Security: SAML Token Profile, WS-Security: X.509 Certificate Token Profile, WS-SecureConversation.
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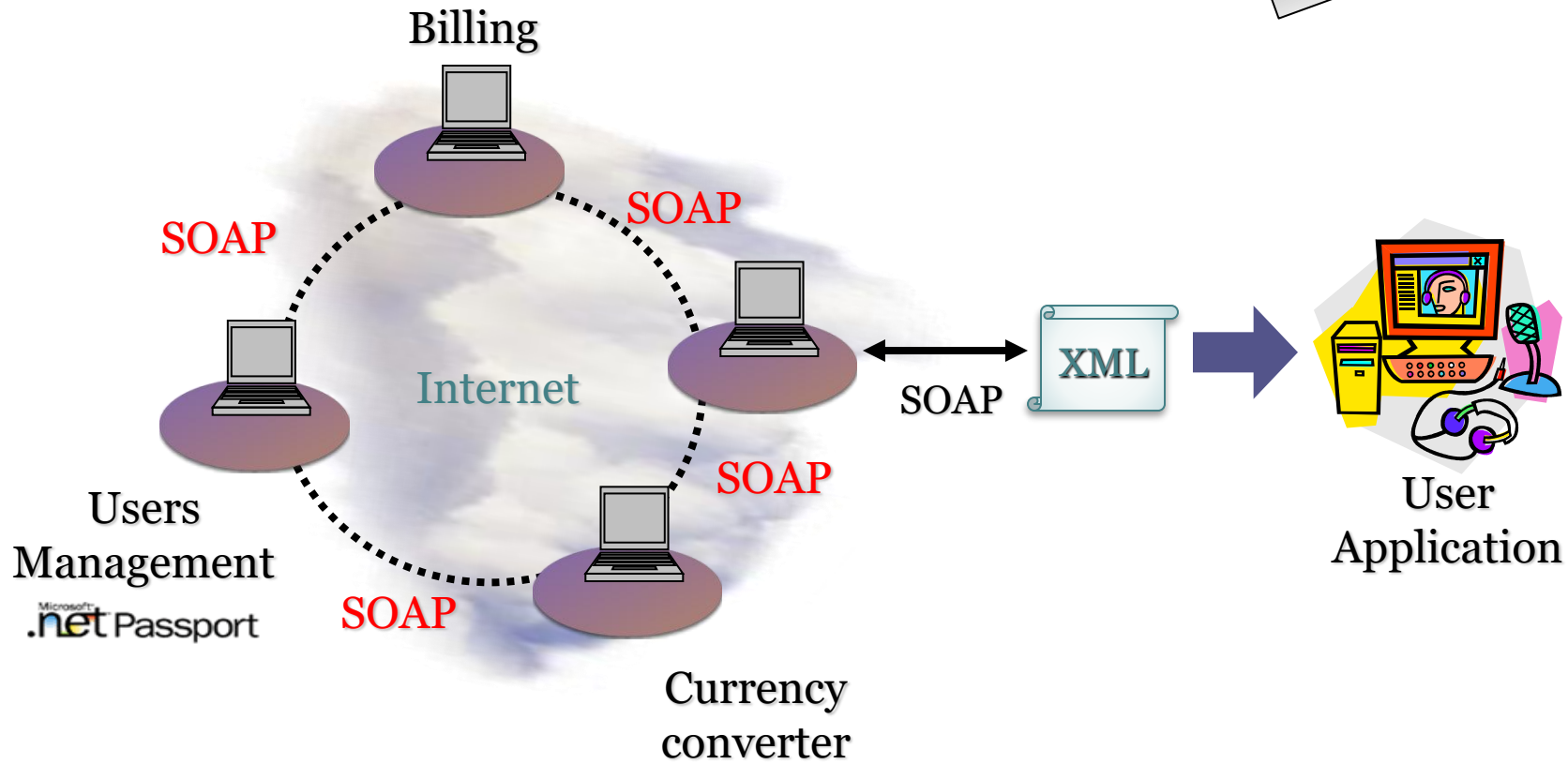
WS-*



WS-*

Web Services ecosystems

2001
Year



WS-*

SOAP

Defines messages format and bindings with several protocols

Initially Simple Object Access Protocol

Evolution

Developed from XML-RPC

SOAP 1.0 (1999), 1.1 (2000), 1.2 (2007)

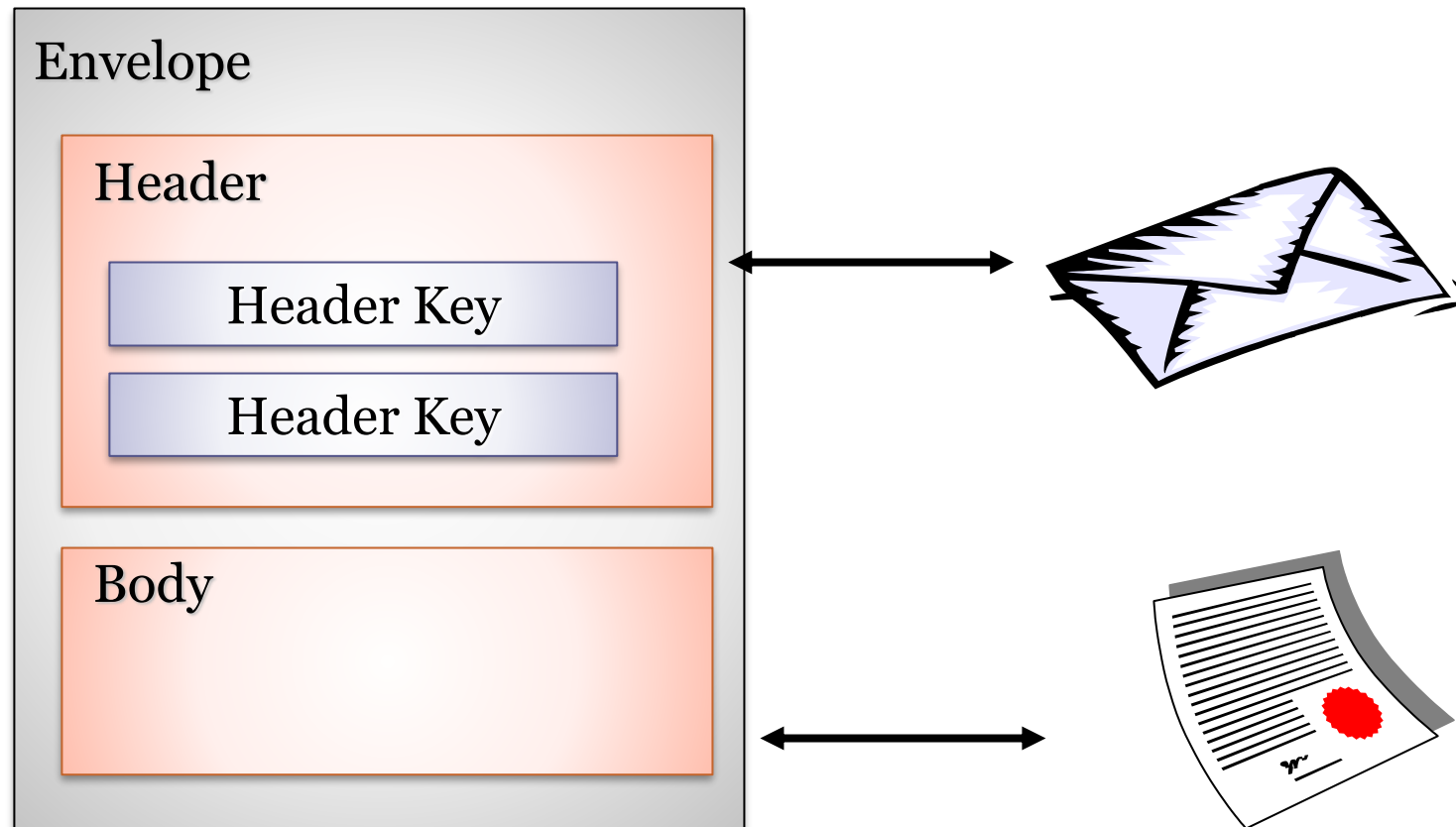
Initial development by Microsoft

Posterior adoption by IBM, Sun, etc.

Good Industrial adoption

WS-*

Message format in SOAP



WS-*

Example of SOAP over HTTP

2001
Year

POST ?

```
POST /Suma/Service1.asmx HTTP/1.1
Host: localhost
Content-Type: text/xml; charset=utf-8
Content-Length: longitud del mensaje
SOAPAction: "http://tempuri.org/suma"
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<soap:Envelope
  xmlns:soap="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/soap/envelope/">
<soap:Body>
  <sum xmlns="http://tempuri.org/">
    <a>3</a>
    <b>2</b>
  </sum>
</soap:Body>
</soap:Envelope>
```


WS-*

Advantages

Specifications developed by community

W3c, OASIS, etc.

Industrial adoption

Implementations

Integral view of web services

Numerous extensions

Security, orchestration, choreography, etc.

Challenges

Not all specifications were mature

Over-specification

Lack of implementations

RPC style abuse

Uniform interface

Sometimes, bad use of HTTP architecture

Overload of GET/POST methods

WS-*

Applications

Lots of applications have been using SOAP

Example: eBay (50mill. SOAP transactions/day)

But...some popular web services ceased to offer SOAP support

Examples: Amazon, Google, etc.

REST

REST = REpresentational State Transfer

Architectural style

Source: Roy T Fielding PhD dissertation (2000)

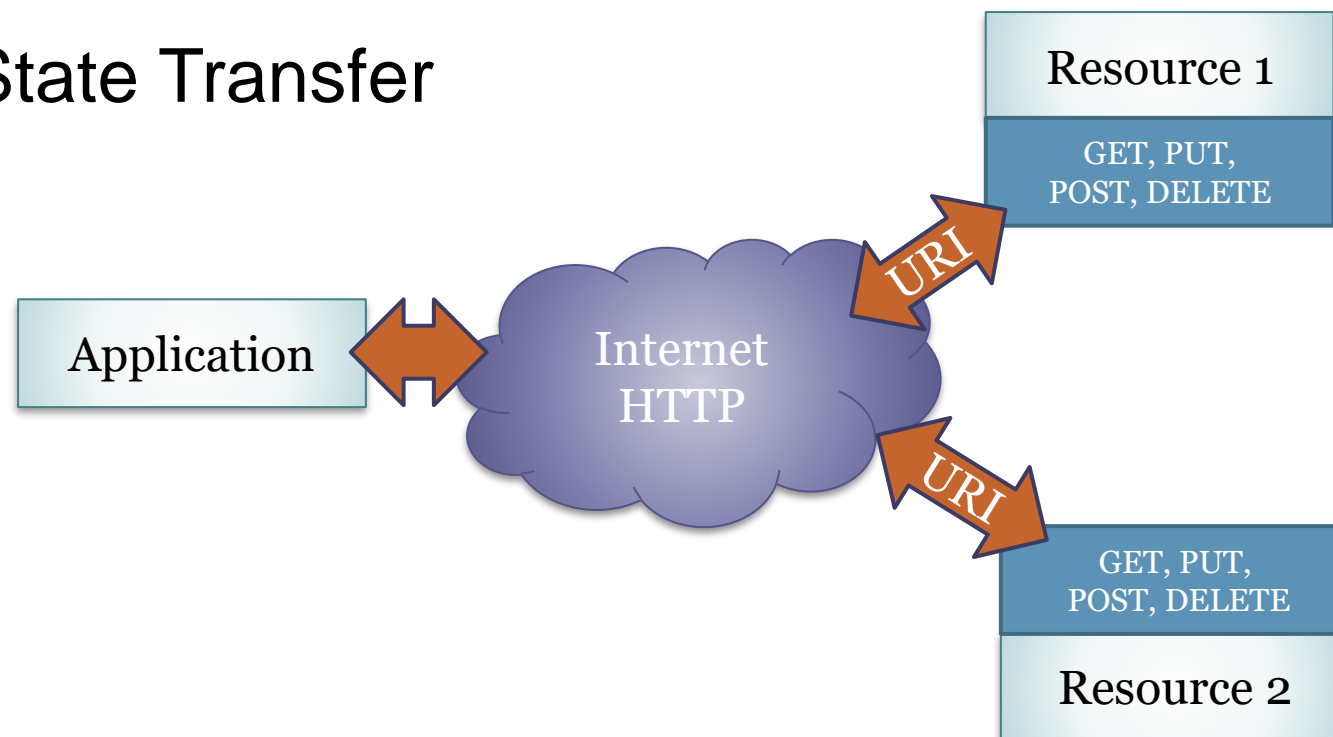
Inspired by Web architecture (HTTP/1.1)



REST

REST - Representational State Transfer

Diagram



REST

Set of constraints

Resources with uniform interface

Identified by URIs

Fixed set of actions: GET, PUT, POST, DELETE

Resource representations are returned

Stateless

REST = Architectural style

Some levels of adoption:

RESTful

REST-RPC hybrid

REST as a composed style

Layers

Client-Server

Stateless

Cached

Replicated server

Uniform interface

Resource identifiers (URIs)

Auto-descriptive messages (MIME types)

Links to other resources (HATEOAS)

Code on demand (optional)

REST uniform interface

Fixed set of operations

GET, PUT, POST, DELETE

Method	In databases	Function	Safe?	Idempotent?
PUT	≈Create/Update	Create/update	No	Yes
POST	≈Update	Create/ Update children	No	No
GET	Retrieve	Query resource info	Yes	Yes
DELETE	Delete	Delete resource	No	Yes

Safe = Does not modify server data

Idempotent = The effect of executing N-times is the same as executing it once

REST

Stateless client/server protocol

State handled by client

HATEOAS (*Hypermedia As The Engine of Application State*)

Representations return URIs to available options

Chaining of resource requests

Example: Student management

1.- Get list of students

GET `http://example.org/student`

Returns list of students with each student URI

2.- Get information about an specific student

GET `http://example.org/student/id2324`

3.- Update information of an specific student

PUT `http://example.org/student/id2324`

REST

Advantages

Client/Server

- Separation of concerns

- Low coupling

Uniform interface

- Facilitates comprehension

- Independent development

Scalability

- Improves answer times

- Less network load (cached)

- Less bandwidth

Challenges

REST partially adopted

- Just using JSON or XML

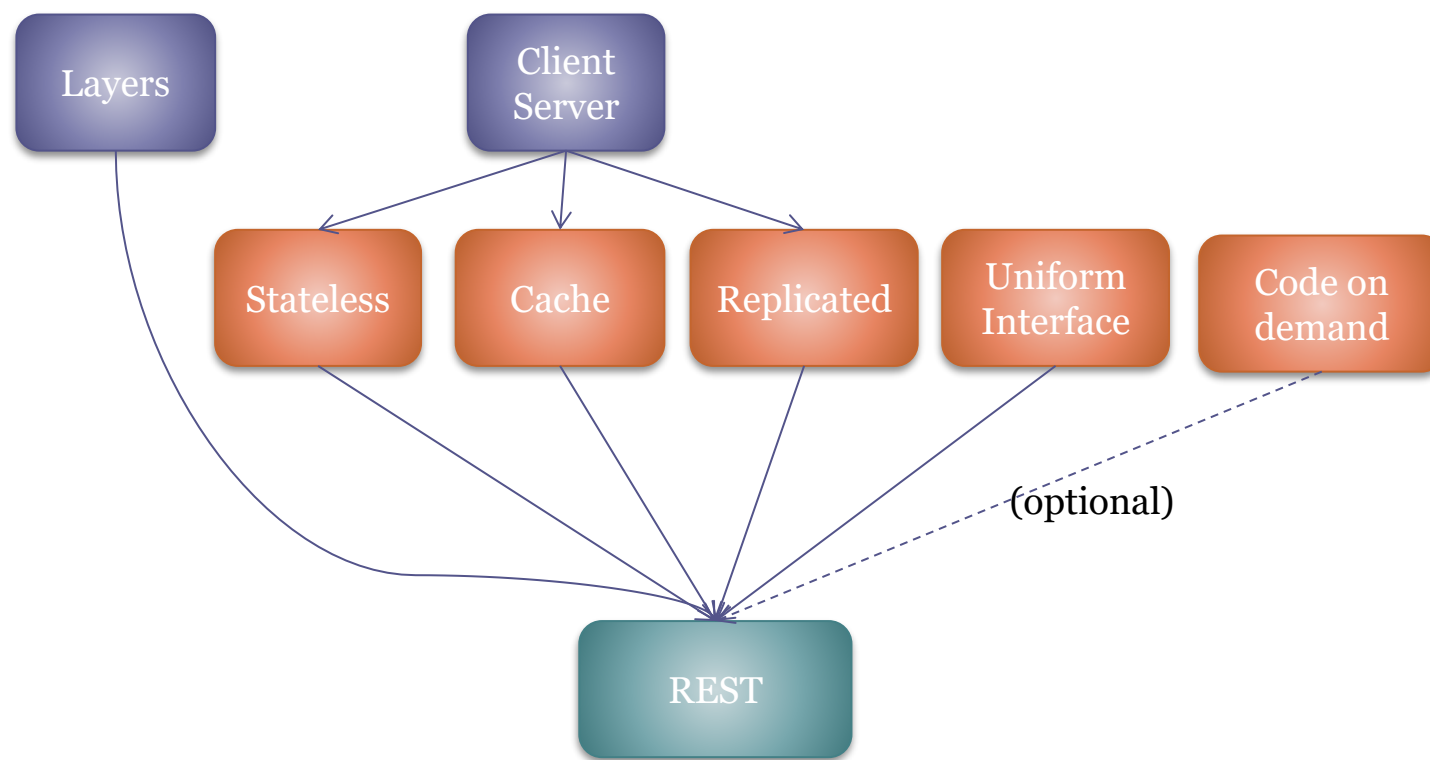
- Web services without contract or description

- RPC style REST

Difficult to incorporate other requirements

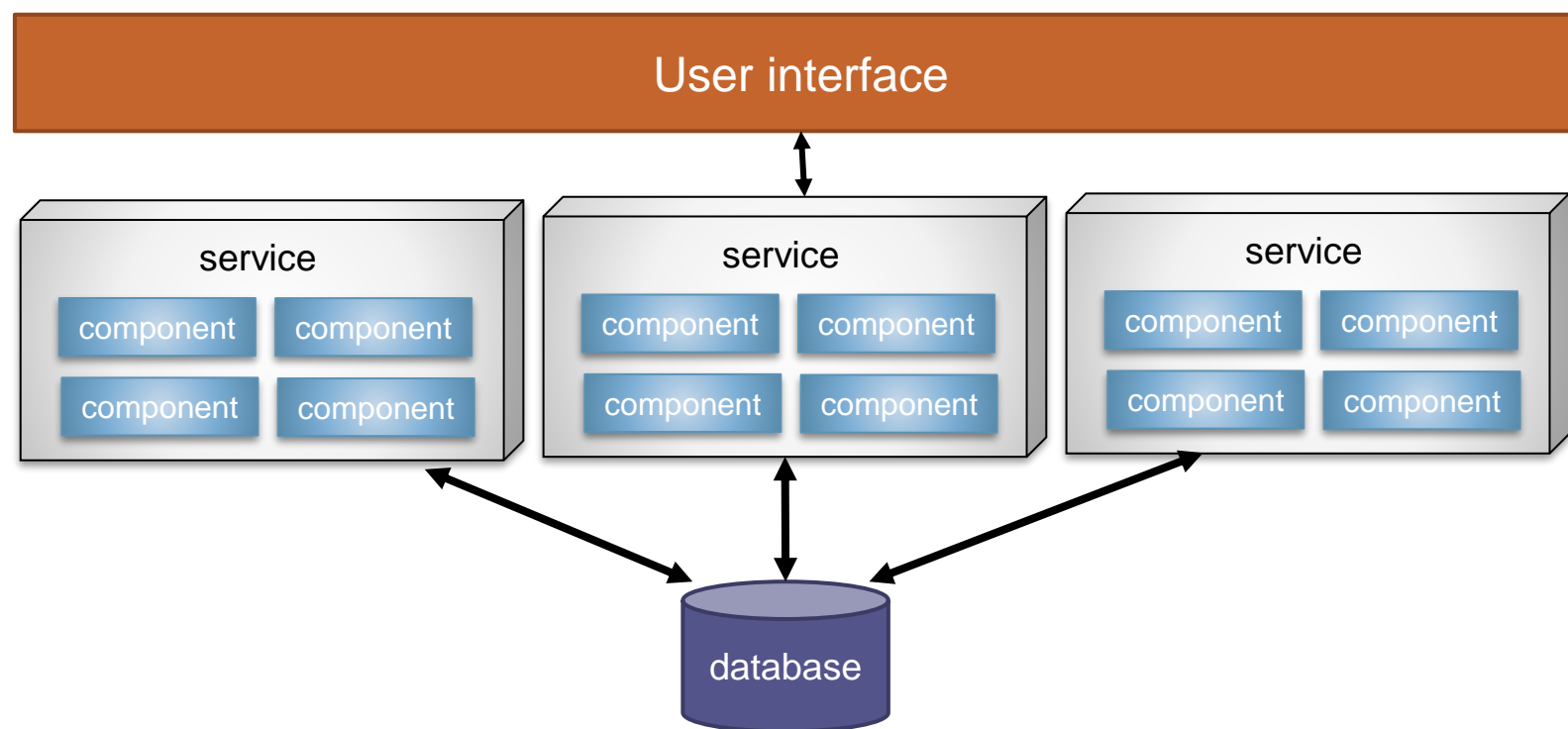
- Security, transaction, composition, etc.

REST as a composed style



Service based architecture

Pragmatic architectural style based on SOA



Service based architecture

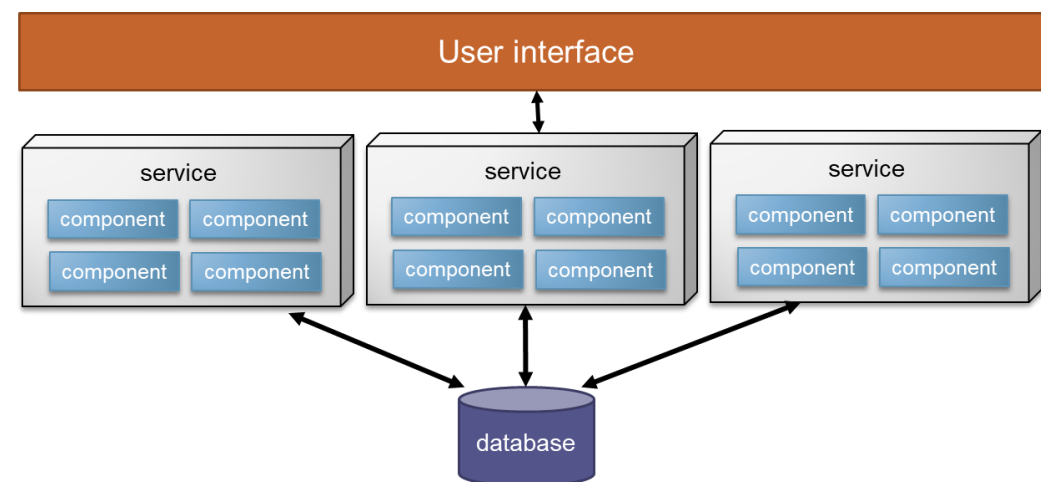
Elements

Services = independently deployed units

Usually composed of different components

User interface accesses services remotely (Internet)

Database shared by those services



Service based architecture

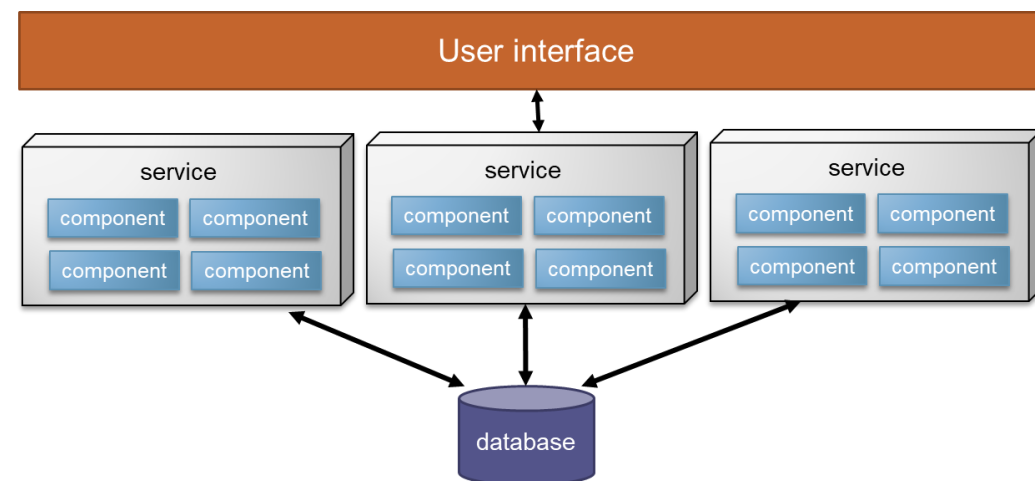
Constraints

Each service is independently deployed

Services are usually coarse grained

User interface can be divided (different topologies)

Database is usually shared by each service



Service based architecture

Advantages

Modularity of development

Services can be independently developed

Technology diversity

Each service can be developed using a different programming language & technology

Time to market

Several frameworks

Availability

Reliability

Challenges

Scalability (database partitioning)

Evolution of services

Adaption to change is usually difficult

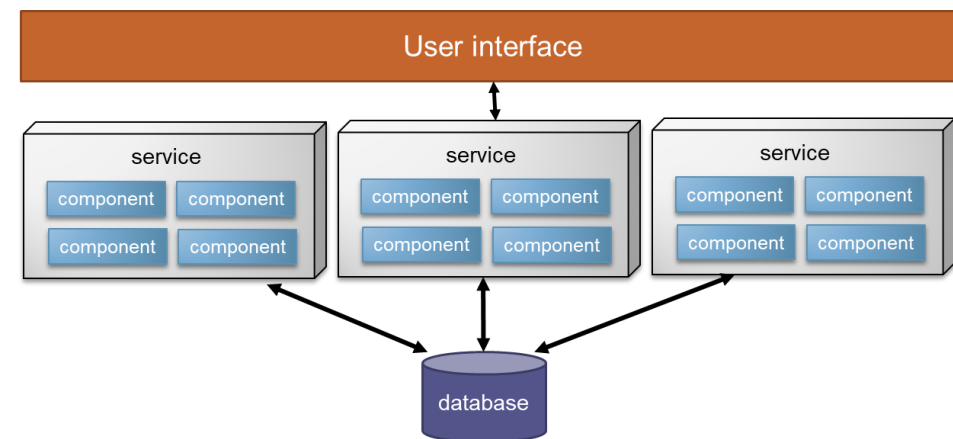
Services can be monoliths

Conway's law

Database team

User interface team

Programmers



Microservices

Applications decomposed in microservices

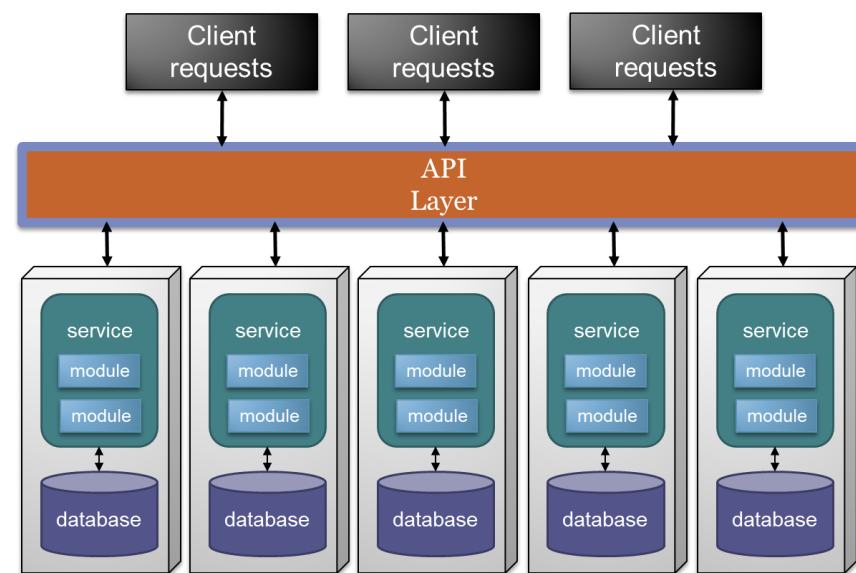
Microservice = small, autonomous services that work together

Each microservice = independent building and deployment block

Highly uncoupled

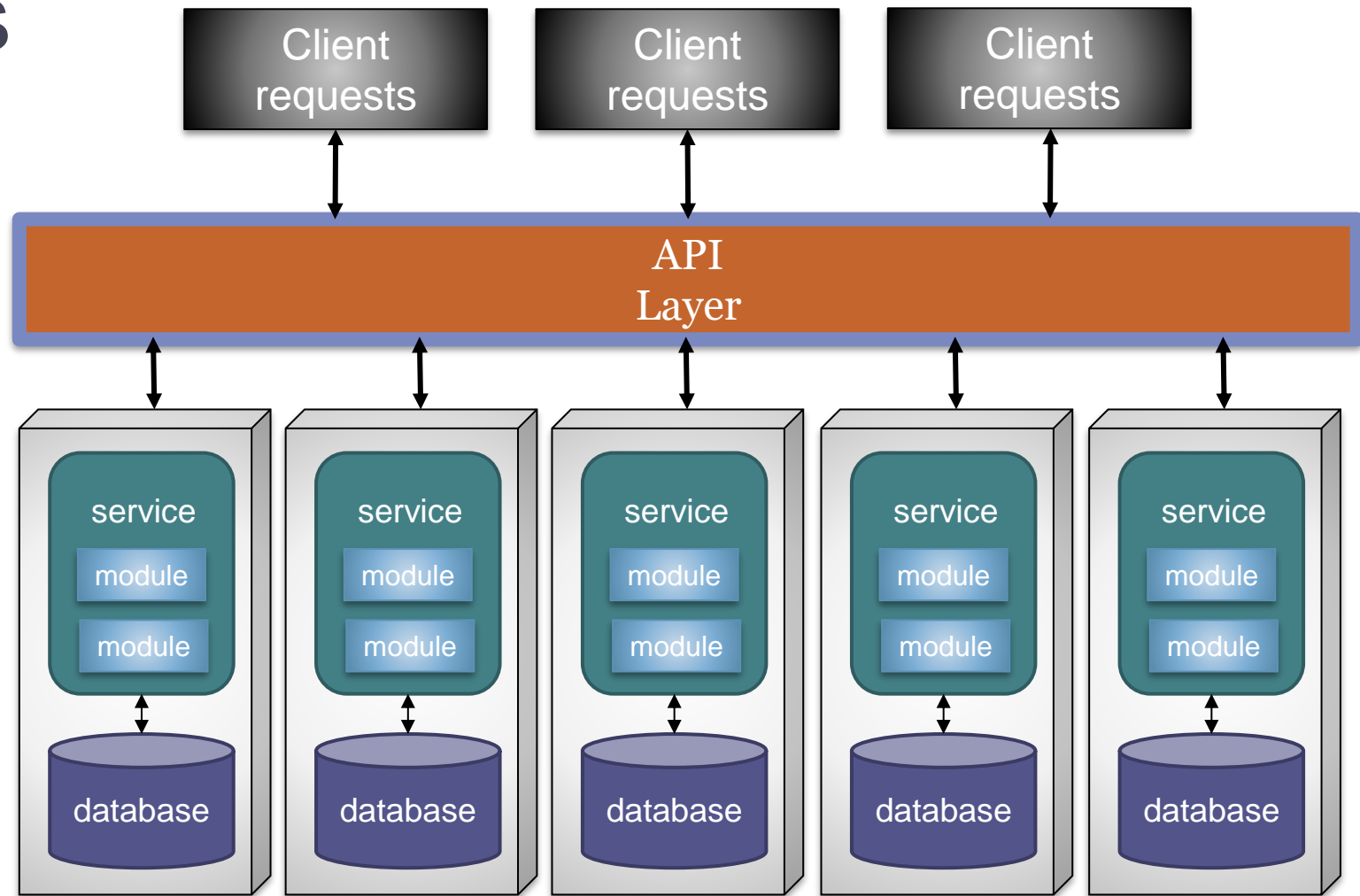
Focus on a specific task

Manage their own data



<http://martinfowler.com/articles/microservices.html>

Microservices Diagram



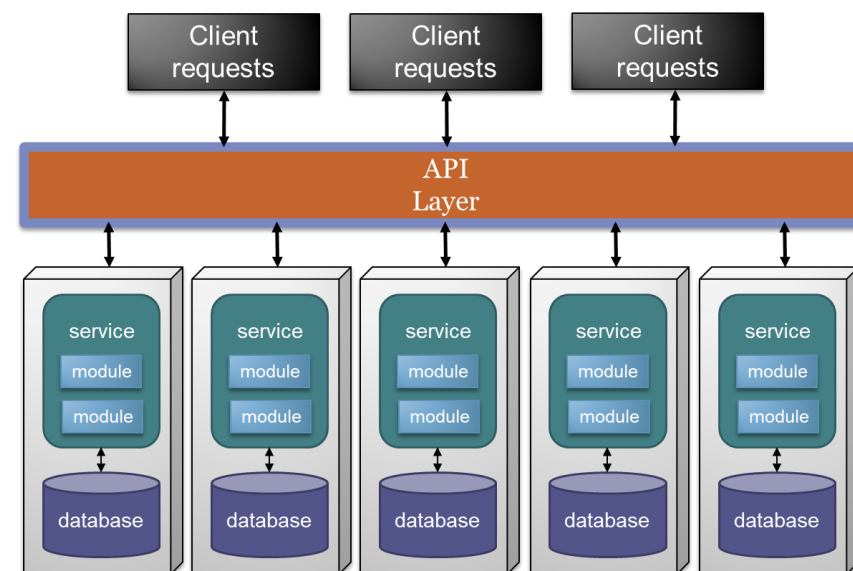
Microservices

Elements

A service + database form a deployed component

A service contains several modules and its own database

API layer (optional) offers a proxy or naming service



Microservices

Constraints

Distributed

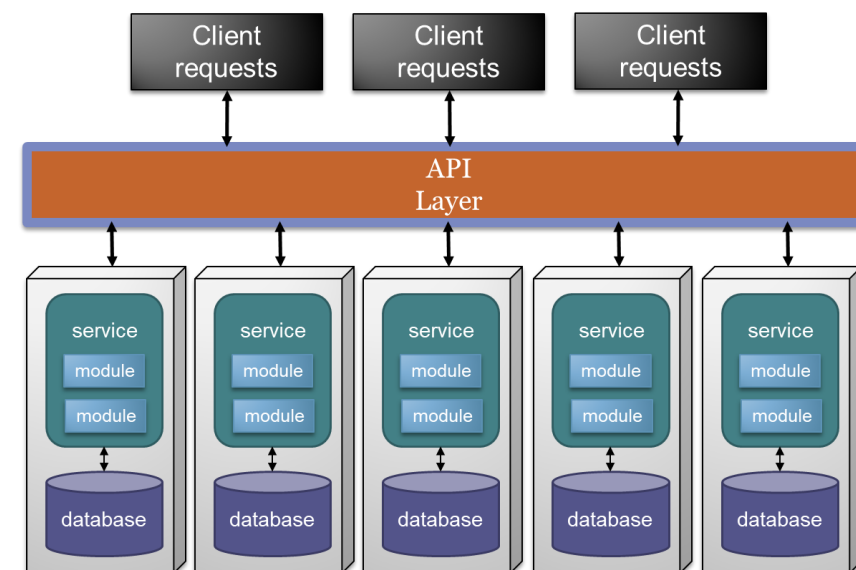
Bounded context:

Each service models a domain or workflow

Data isolation

Independency:

No mediator or orchestrator



Features/advantages

Technology heterogeneity

Resilience

Scalability

Deployability

Organizational alignment

Decentralized data management

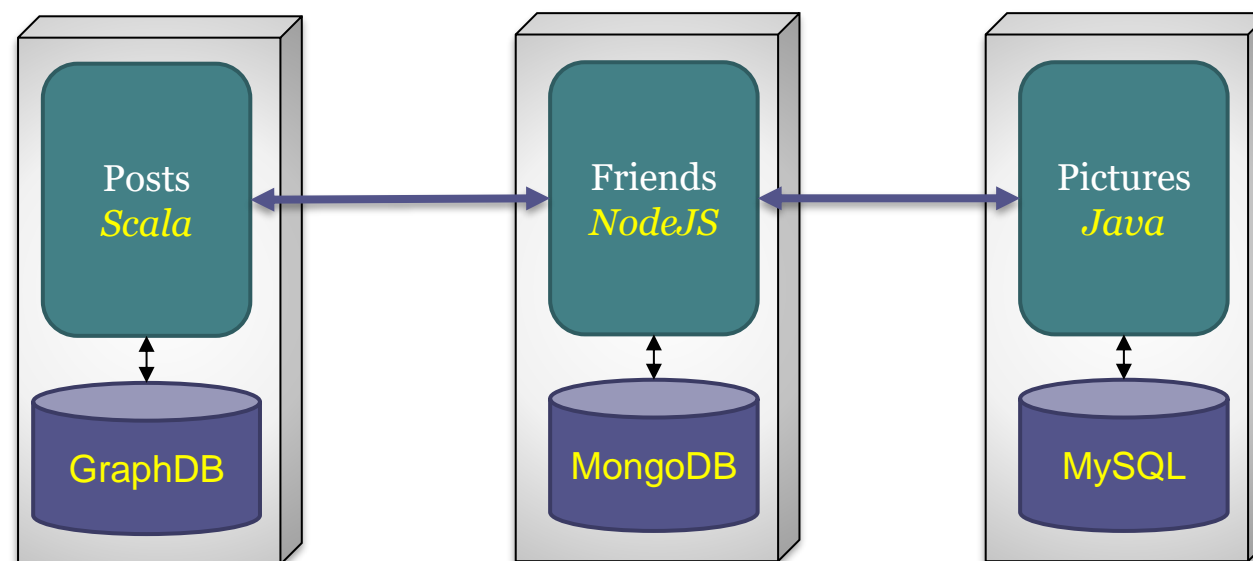
Optimizing for replaceability

Technology heterogeneity

Each microservice can be implemented in its own programming language and technology stack

Facilitates experimentation with new technologies

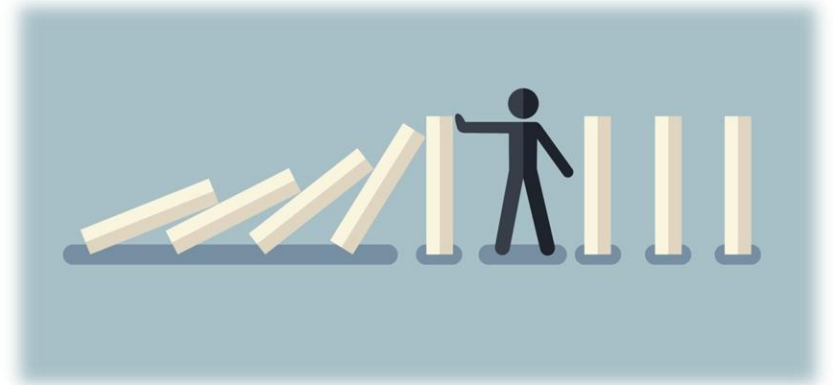
Flexibility



Resilience

If a component of a system fails and the failure doesn't scale, the system can carry on working

In a monolithic system if a component fails, the whole system stops working



Scalability

It is possible to scale on demand specific services

Monolithic systems require to scale the whole system

Not all components have the same needs

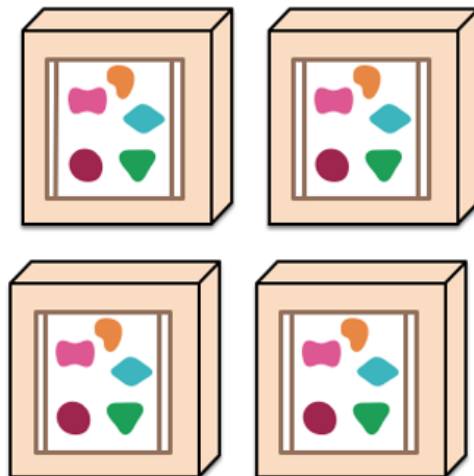
Microservices can be replicated as needed

Scalability

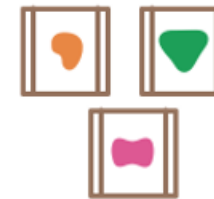
Monolithic: all functionality in a single process



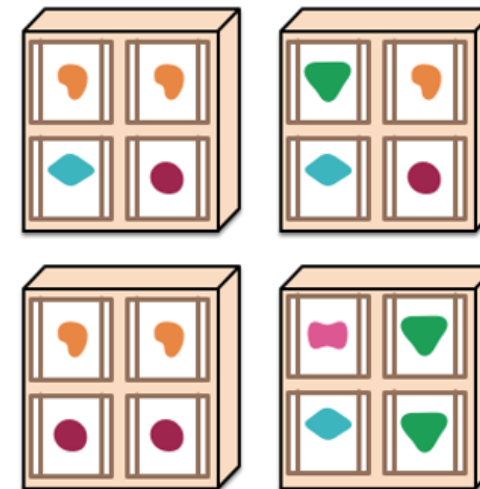
...scales replicating the monolith on multiple services



Microservices: each element of functionality into a separate service



... scales distributing these services and replicating as needed



Deployability

Deploy each service independently

Enables to do a change in a service and deploy it immediately

Towards continuous deployment

Organizational alignment

Inverse Conway Law maneuver

Evolve teams and organizational structure to promote the desired architecture

Create teams following the modular decomposition

Cross-functional teams

Service ownership: the team owning a service is responsible for making changes and deploying it

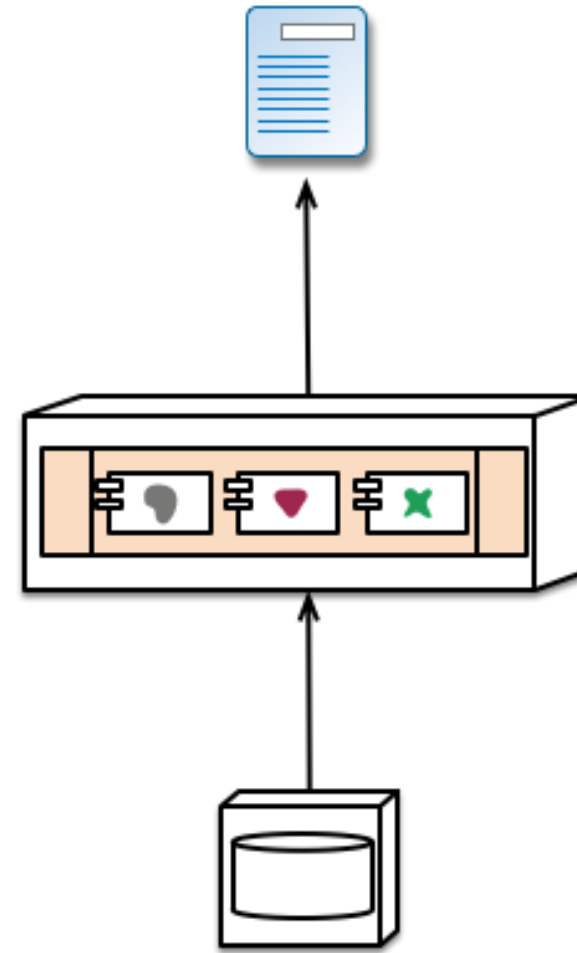
"You build it, you run it" (Amazon)

Goal: increased autonomy and speed of delivery

Traditional applications

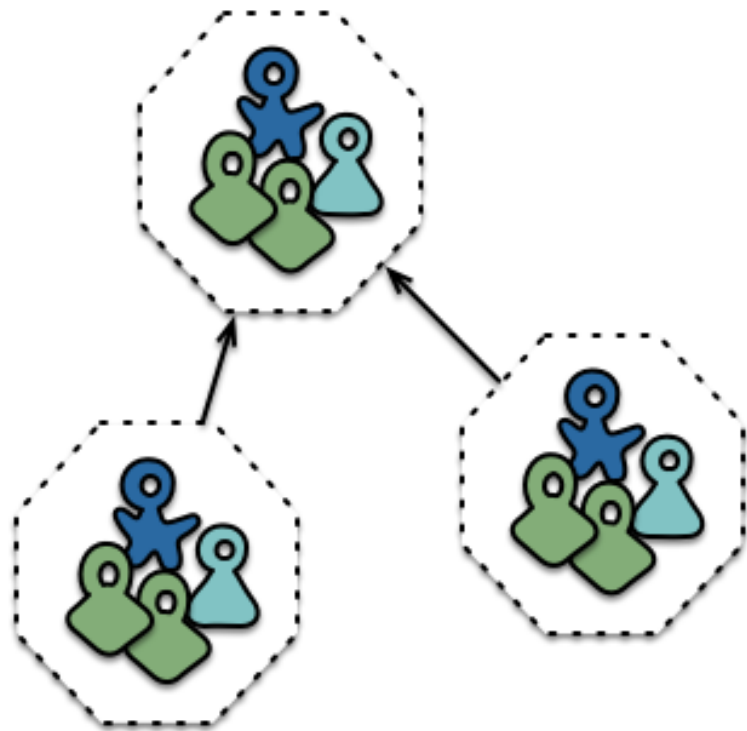


Siloed functional teams...

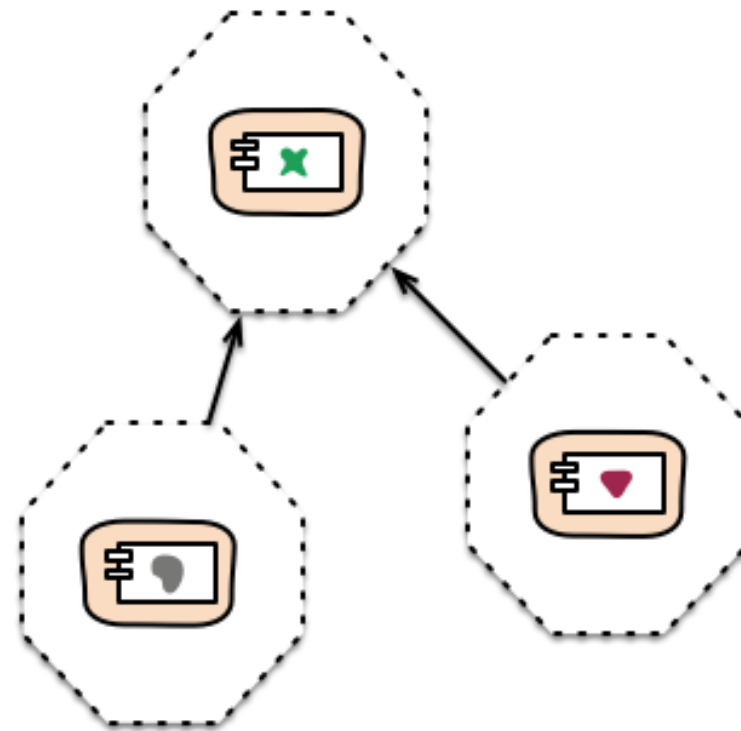


... lead to siloed application architectures.
Because Conway's Law

With microservices



Cross-functional teams...

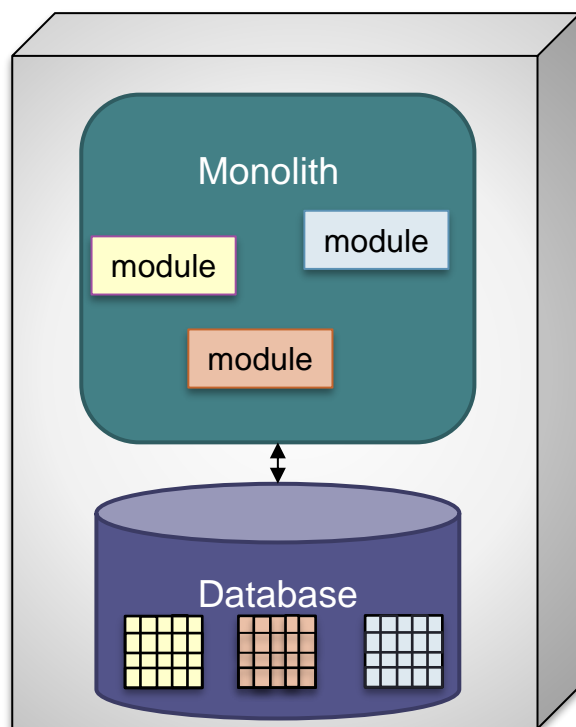


... organised around capabilities
Because Conway's Law

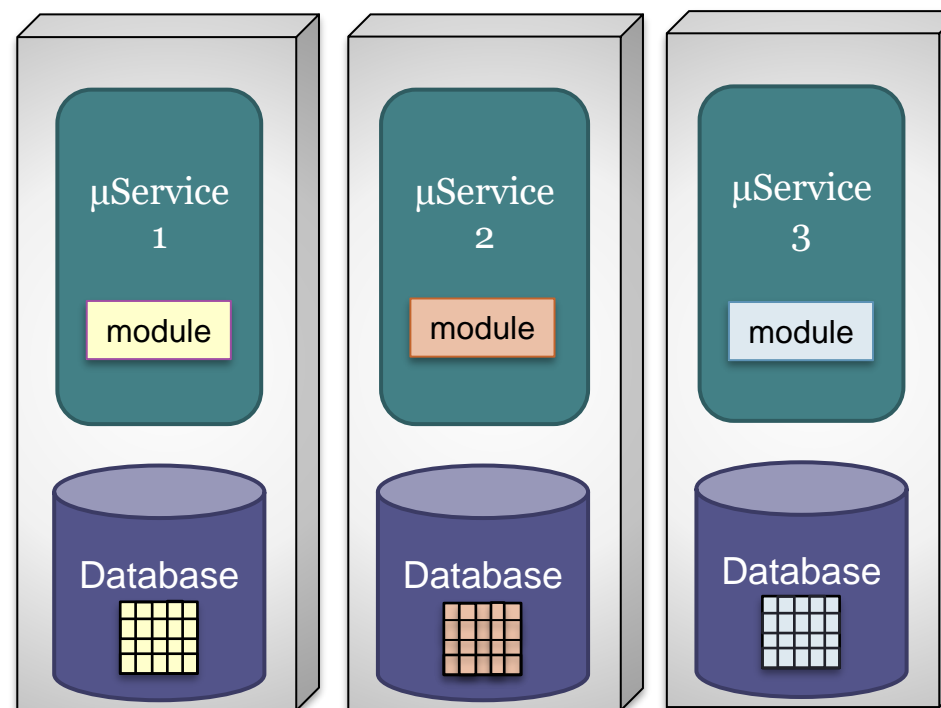
Decentralized data management

Each team/service handles its own data

Monolith - single database



Microservices - application databases



Optimizing for replaceability

Traditional systems usually contained old legacy systems which no one wants to touch

With microservices

Less cost to replace a microservice with a better implementation

Or even delete it

Challenges of microservices

Managing lots of microservices

Too much microservices = antipattern (nanoservices)

Ensure application consistency

Complexity of distributed system management

New challenges: latency, message format, load balance, fault tolerance, etc.

Testing & deployment

Operational complexity

Antipattern: distributed monolith

Microservices tangled that are not independently deployed

Structural decay (*see next slide*)

<http://martinfowler.com/articles/microservice-trade-offs.html>

https://www.ufried.com/blog/microservices_fallacy_1/

Microservices structural decay

Code dependencies between services

Too much shared libraries

Too much inter-service communication

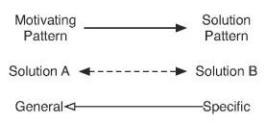
Too many orchestration requests

Database coupling

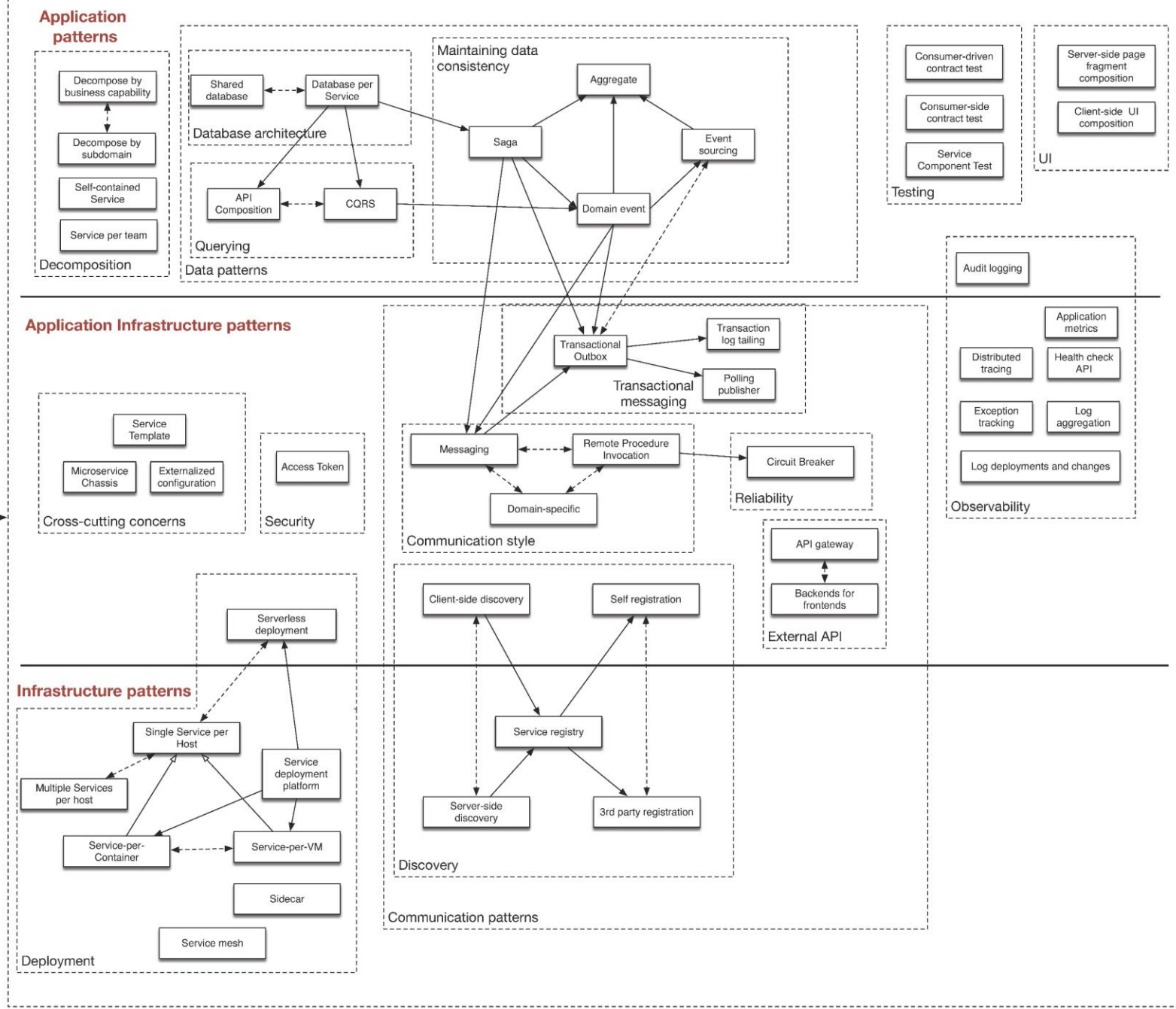
Analyzing architecture (microservices)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=U7s7Hb6GZCU>

Microservices patterns



The Microservice Architecture Pattern Language



Microservices

Variants

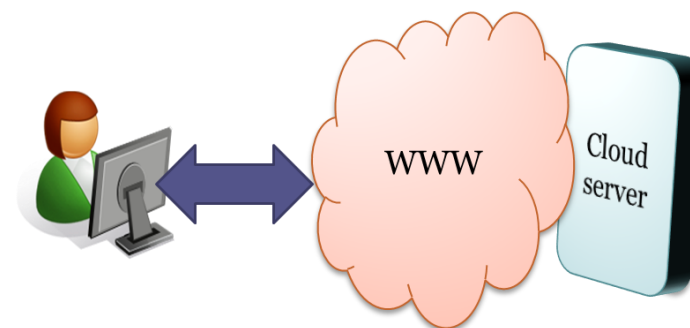
Self-contained Systems (SCS) Architecture

Separation of functionality into many independent systems

<https://scs-architecture.org/>

Each SCS contains logic and data

Serverless



Also known as:

Function as a service (FaaS)

Backend as a service (BaaS)

Applications depend on third-party services

Developers don't need to care about servers

Automatic scalability

Rich clients

Single Page Applications, Mobile apps

Examples:

AWS Lambda, Google Cloud Functions, Ms Azure Functions

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Serverless_computing

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Serverless

Elements

Client that runs functions as a services

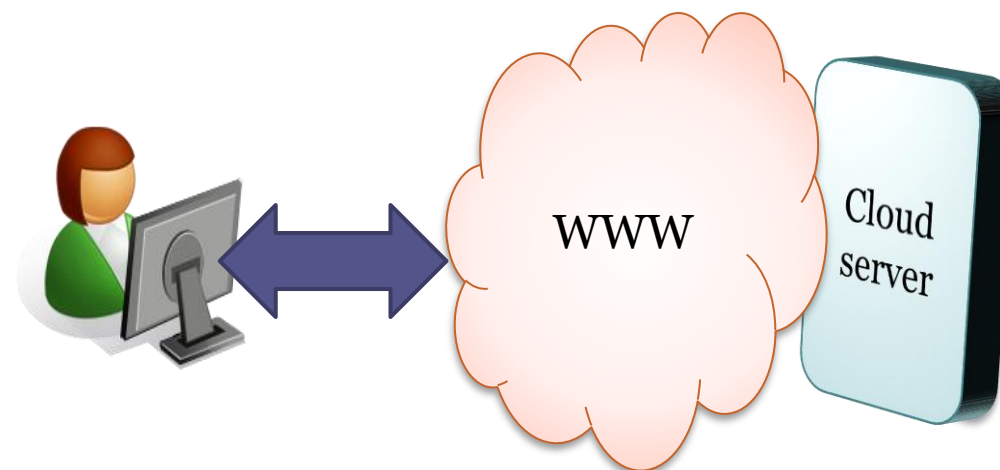
Cloud server which provides backend as a service

Constraints

No management of server hosts

Automatic scalability and provisioning based on load

Costs based on precise usage



Serverless

Advantages

Automatic scalability

Implicit high availability

Performance not defined in terms of host size/cost

Costs based on precise usage

Only pay for the compute you need

Time to market

Challenges

Vendor lock-in

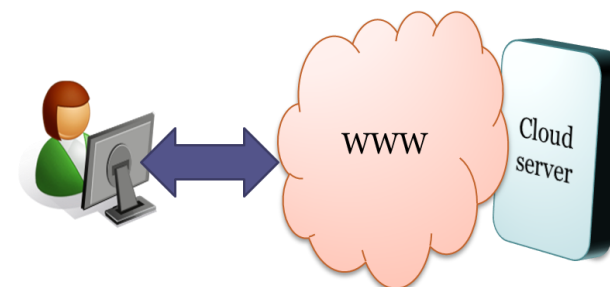
Incompatibility between vendors

Security

Startup latency

Integration testing

Monitoring/debugging

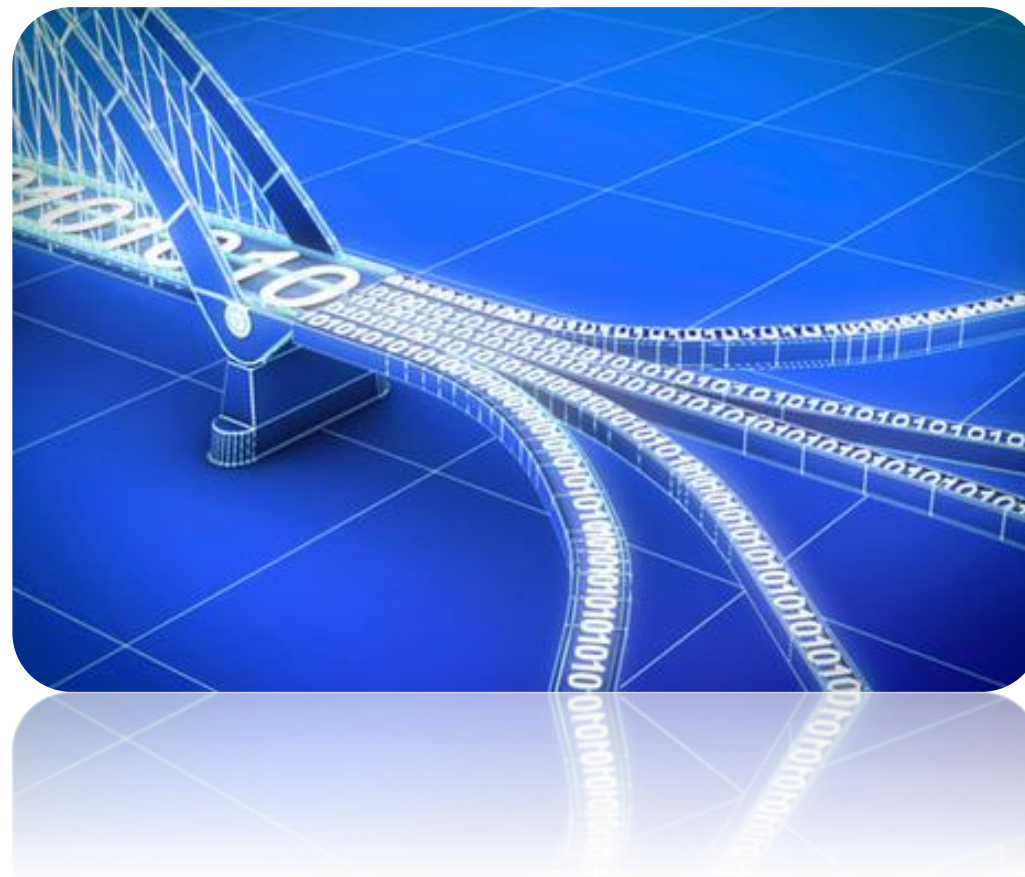


Big data and scalable systems

MapReduce

Lambda architecture

Kappa architecture



MapReduce

Proposed by Google

Published in 2004

Internal implementation by Google

Goal: big amounts of data

Lots of computational nodes

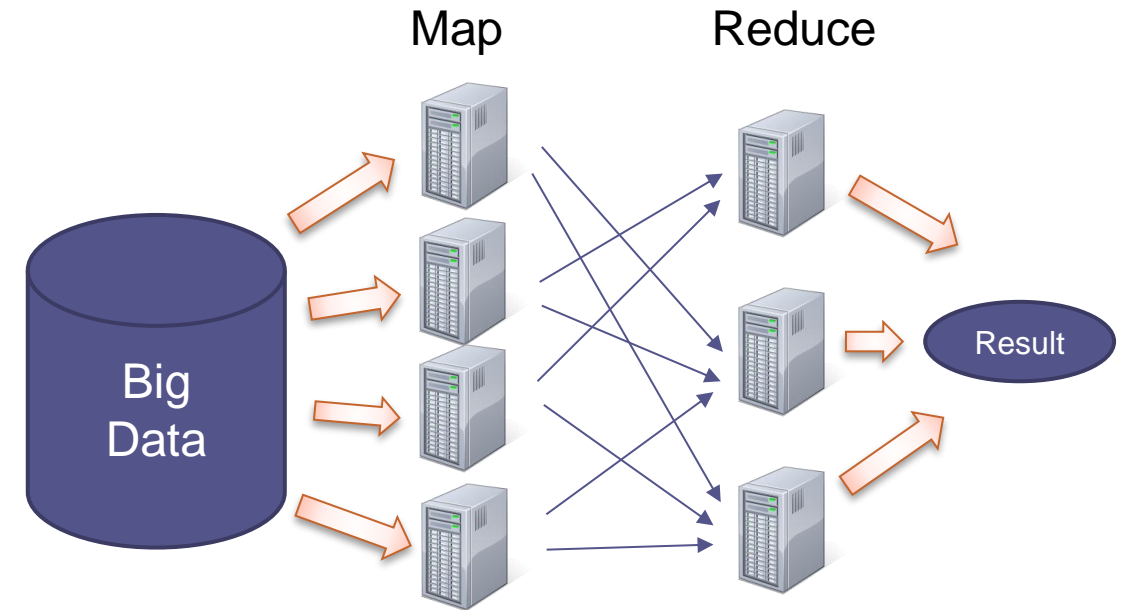
Fault tolerance

Write-once, read-many

Style composed of:

Master-slave

Batch



MapReduce

Elements

Master node: Controls execution

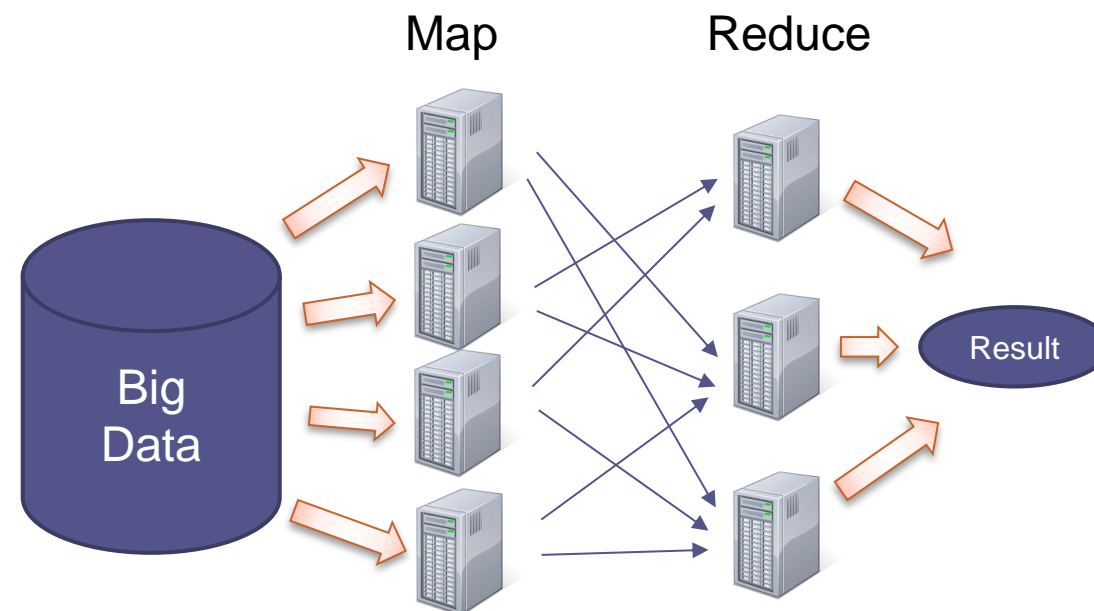
Node table

It manages replicated file system

Slave nodes

Execute mappers, reducers

Contain replicated data blocks



MapReduce - Scheme

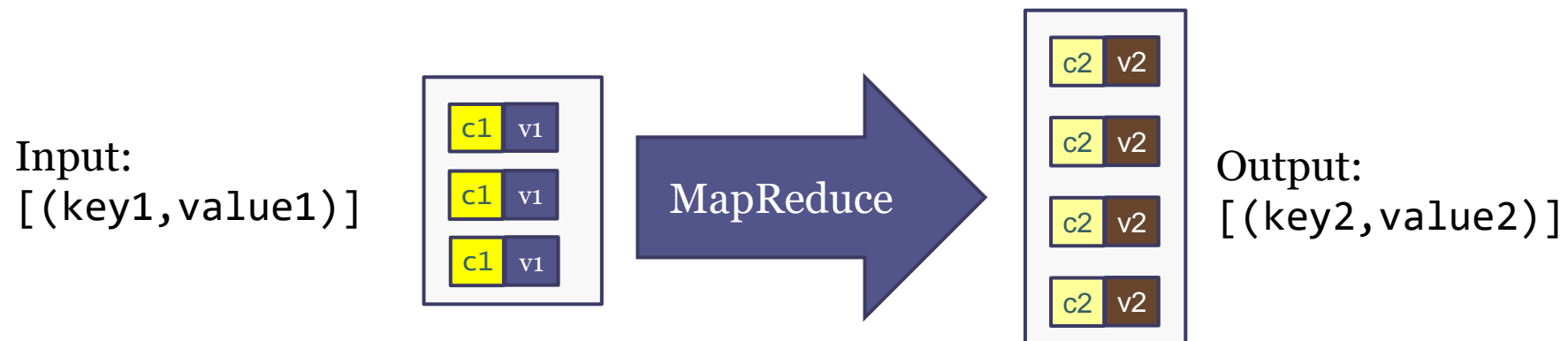
Inspired by functional programming

2 components: mapper and reducer

Data are divided for their processing

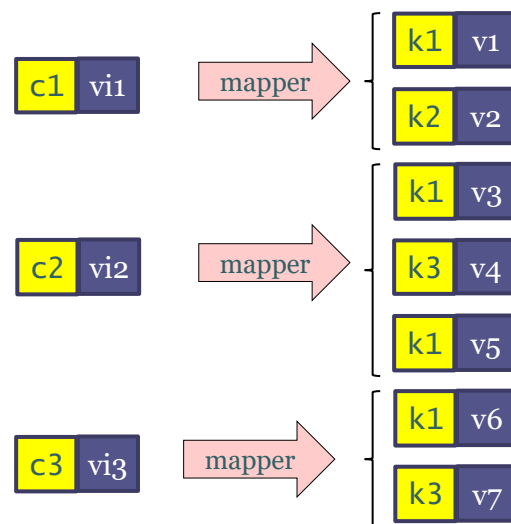
Each data is associated with a key

Transforms $[(key1, value1)]$ to $[(key2, value2)]$



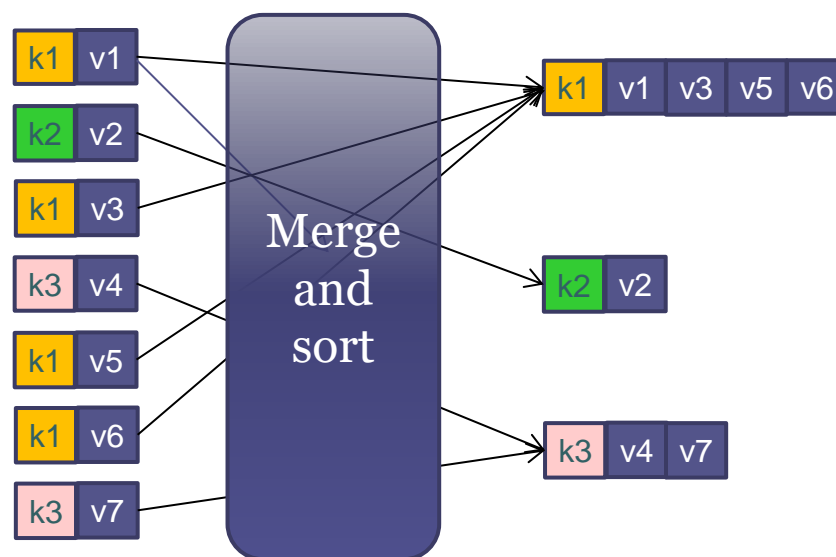
Step 1: mapper

mapper: (Key1, Value1) \rightarrow [(Key2, Value2)]



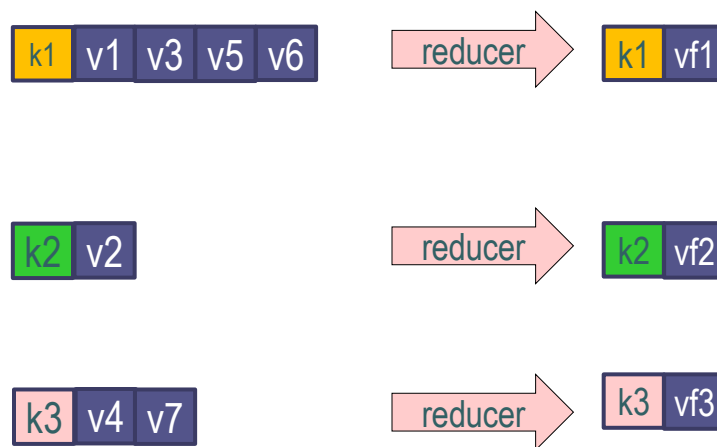
Step 2: Merge and sort

System merges and sorts intermediate results according to the keys

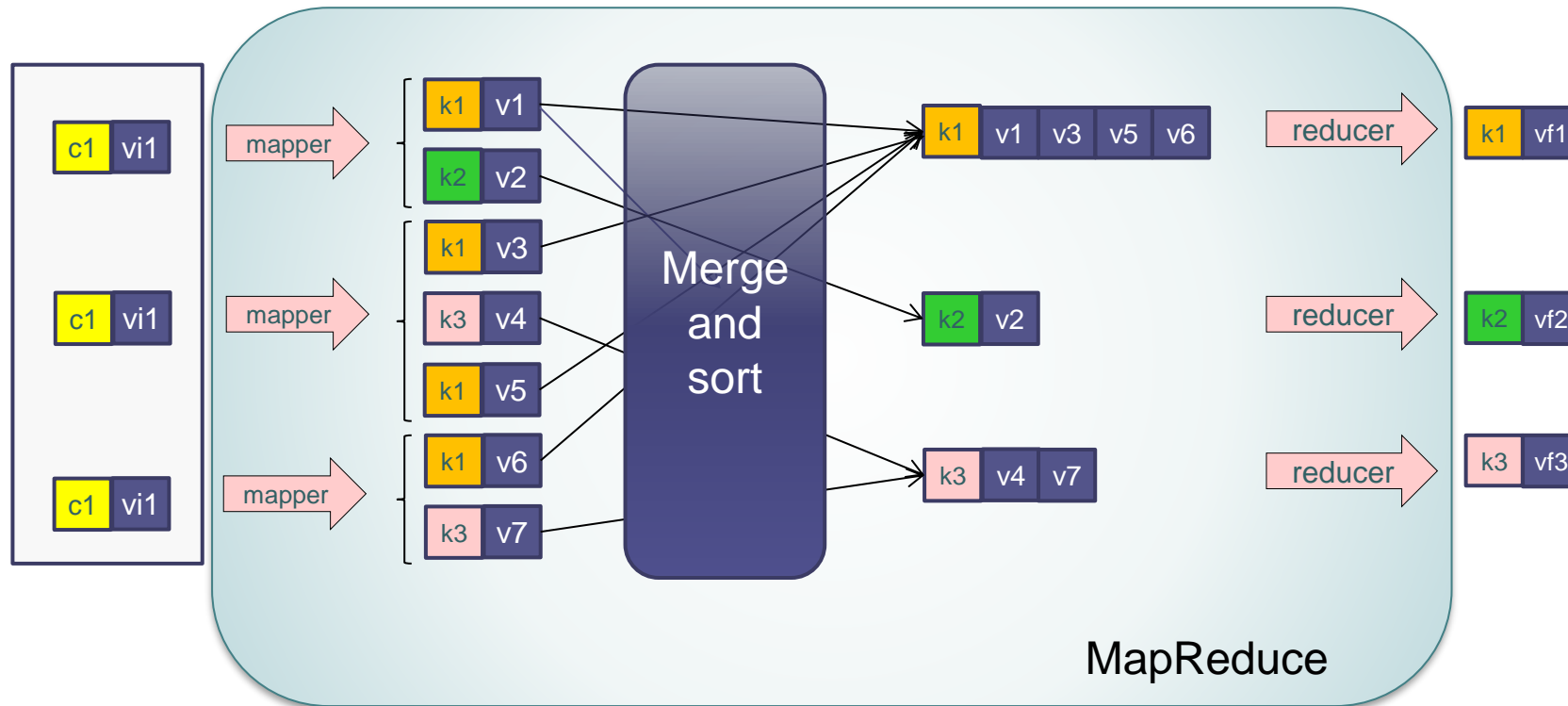


Step 3: Reducers

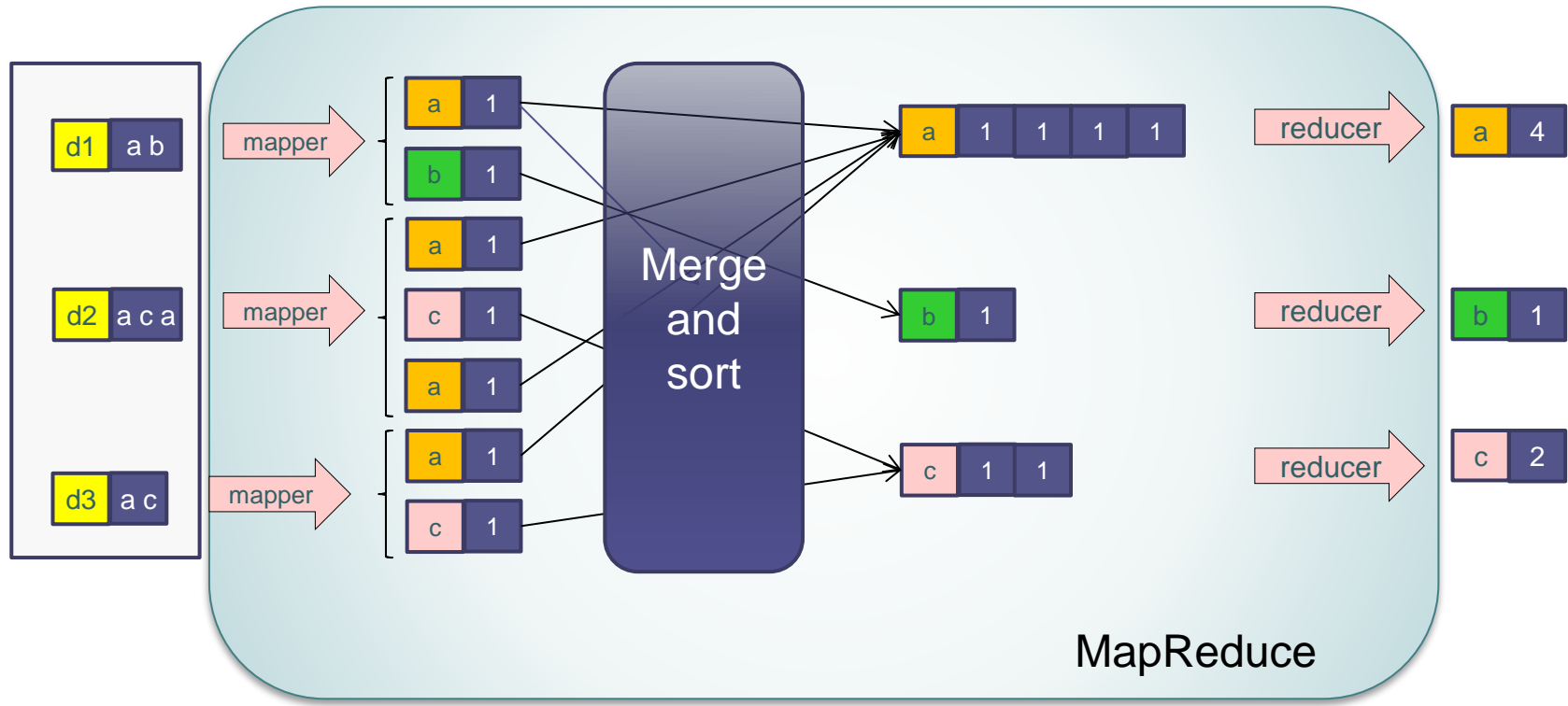
reducer: (Key2, [Value2]) → (Key2, Value2)



MapReduce - general scheme



MapReduce - count words



```
// return each work with 1
mapper(d,ps) {
  for each p in ps:
    emit (p, 1)
}
```

```
// sum the list of numbers of each word
reducer(p,ns) {
  sum = 0
  for each n in ns { sum += n; }
  emit (p, sum)
}
```

MapReduce - execution environment

Execution environment is in charge of:

Planning: Each job is divided in tasks

Placement of data/code

Each node contains its data locally

Synchronization:

reduce tasks must wait *map* phase

Error and failure handling

High tolerance to computational nodes failures

MapReduce - File system

Google developed a distributed file system - GFS

Hadoop created HDFS

Files are divided in chunks

2 node types:

Namenode (master), datanodes (data servers)

Datanodes store different chunks

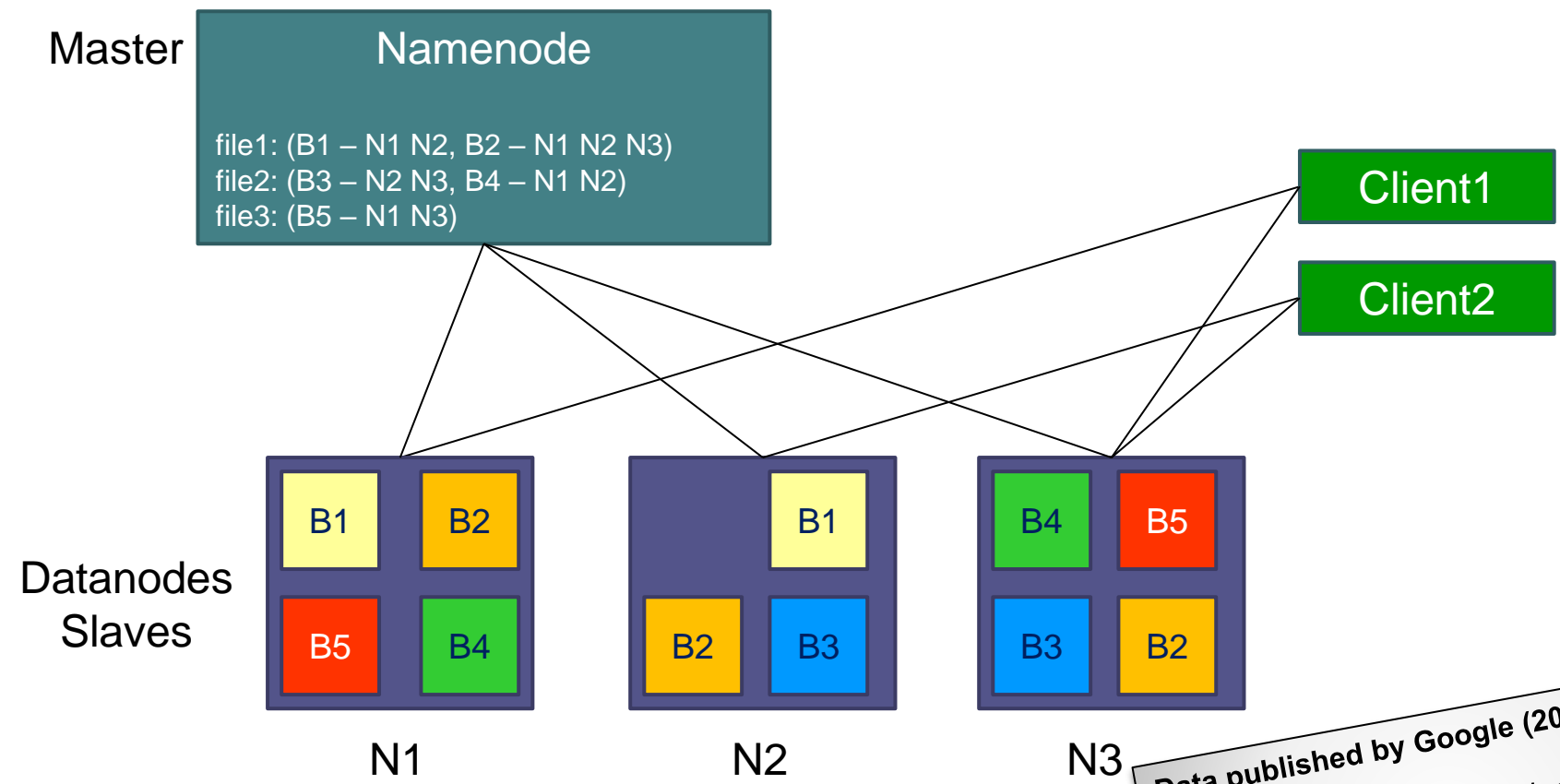
Block replication

Namenode contains metadata

Where is each chunk

Direct communication between clients and datanodes

MapReduce - File system



Data published by Google (2007)
200+ clusters
Lots of clusters 1000+ machines
Pools with thousands of clients
4+ PB
HW/SW fault tolerance

MapReduce

Advantages

Distributed computations

Split input data

Replicated repository

Fault tolerant

Hardware/software
heterogeneous

Large amount of data

Write-once. Read-many

Challenges

Dependency on master node

Non interactivity

Data conversion to MapReduce

Adapt input data

Convert output data

MapReduce: Applications

Lots of applications:

Google, 2007, 20petabytes/day, around 100,000 mapreduce jobs/day

PageRank algorithm can be implemented as MapReduce

Success stories:

Automatic translation, similarity, sorting, ...

Other companies: last.fm, facebook, Yahoo!, twitter, etc.

MapReduce: Applications

Implementations

Google (internal)

Hadoop (*open source*)

...

Libraries

Hive (Hadoop): query language inspired by SQL

Pig (Hadoop): specific language that can define data flows

Cascading: API that can specify distributed data flows

Flume Java (Google)

Dryad (Microsoft)

Lambda architecture

Handle Big Data & real time analytics

Proposed by Nathan Marz, 2011

3 layers

Batch layer: precomputes all data with MapReduce

- Generates partial aggregate views

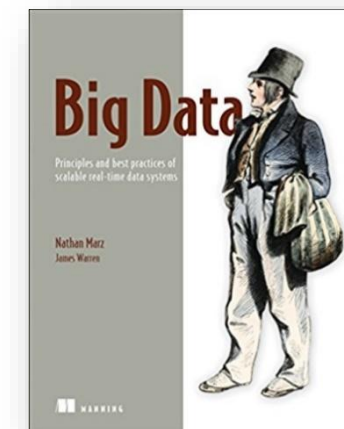
- Recomputes from all data

Speed layer: real time, small window of data

- Generates fast real time views

Serving layer: handles queries

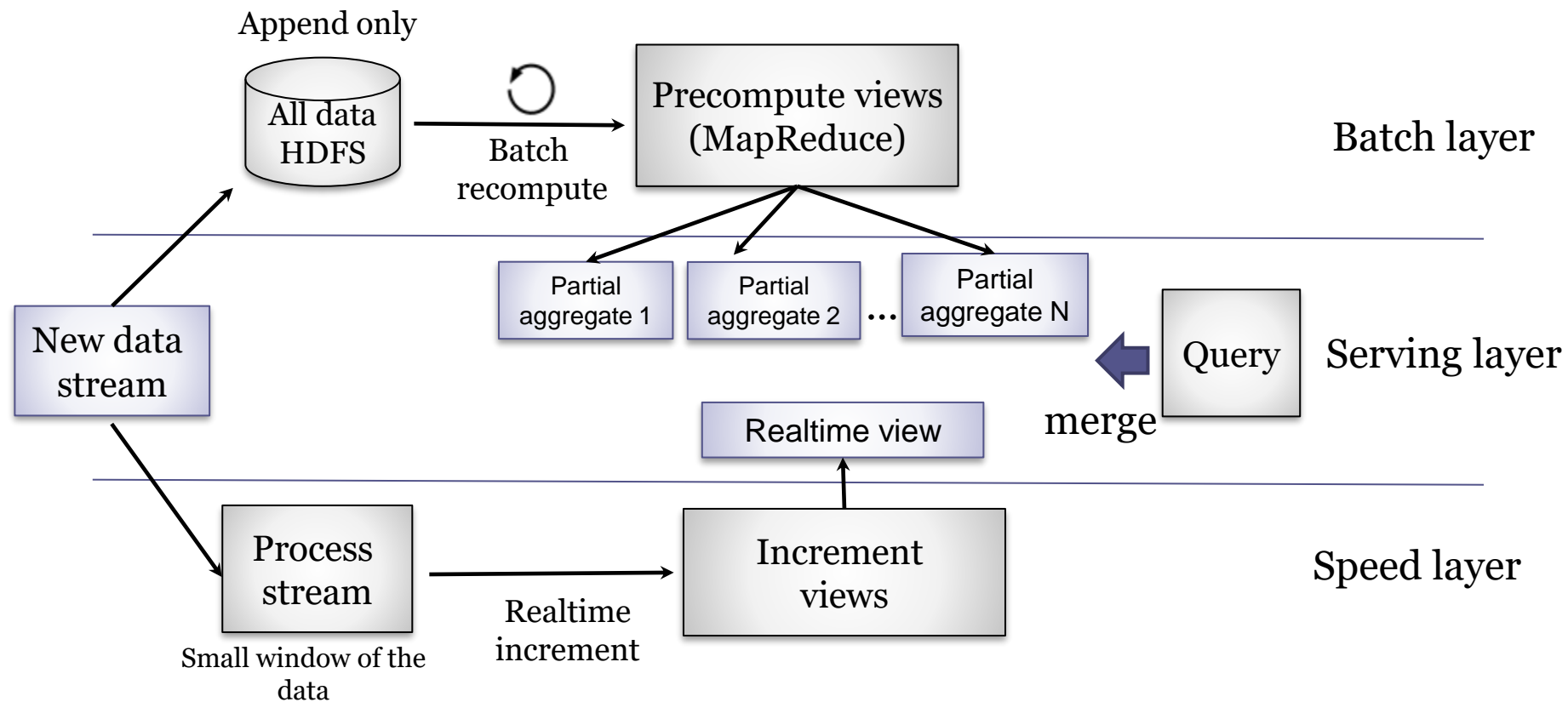
- Merges the different views



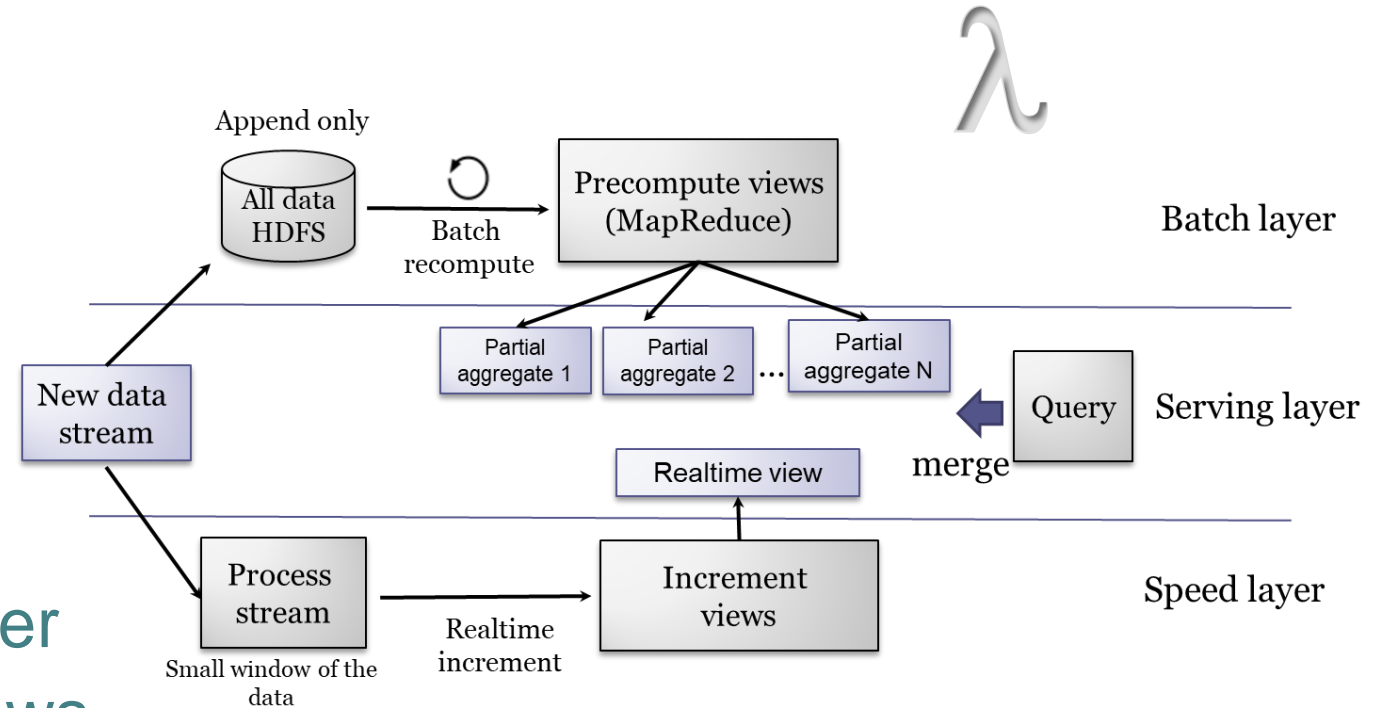
Lambda architecture



Combines Real time with batch processing



Lambda architecture



Constraints

All data is stored in the batch layer

The batch layer precomputes views

The results of the speed layer may not be accurate

Serving layer combines precomputed views

The views can be simple DBs for querying

Lambda architecture

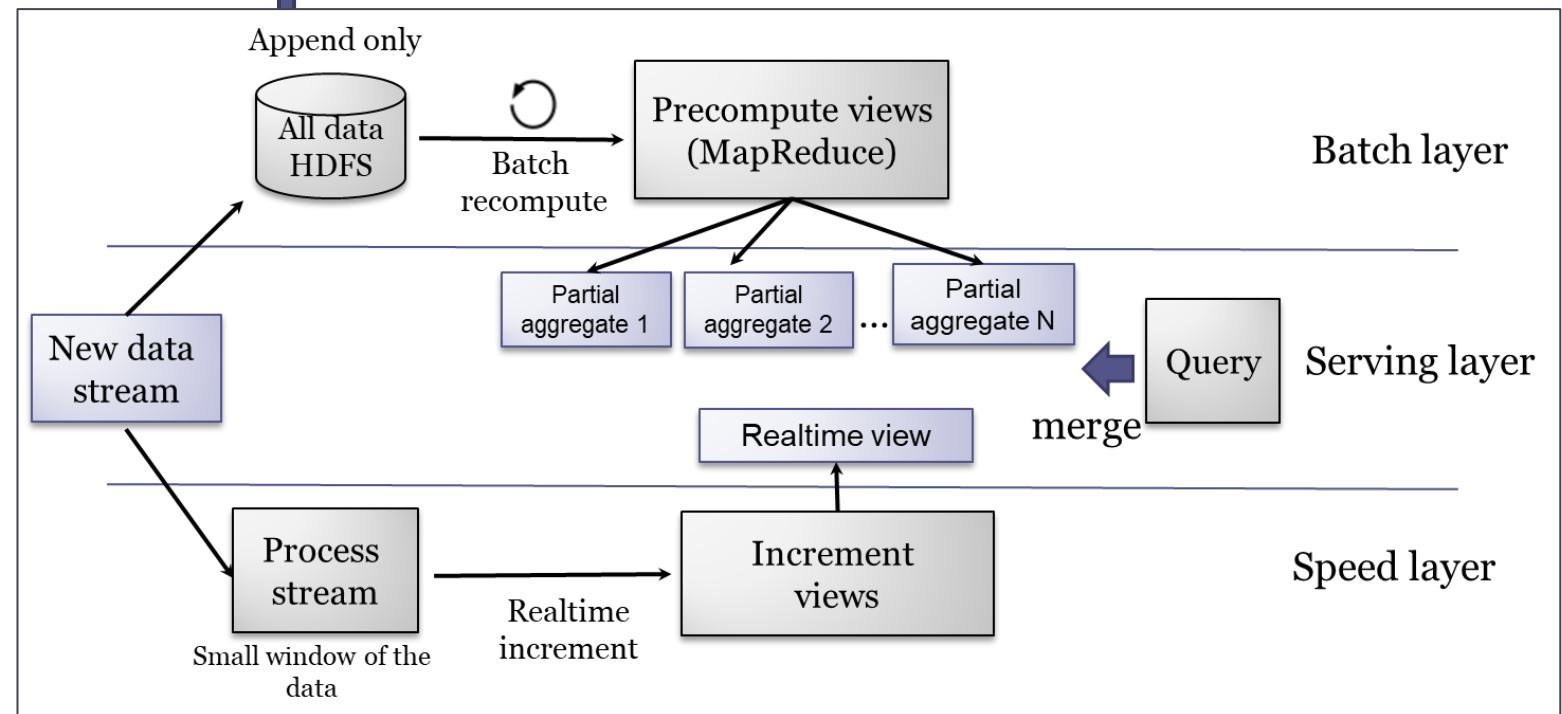


Advantages

- Scalability (Big data)
- Real time
- Decoupling
- Fault tolerant
- Keep all input data
- Reprocessing

Challenges

- Inherent complexity
- Merging views can be inaccurate
- Losing some events



Lambda architecture



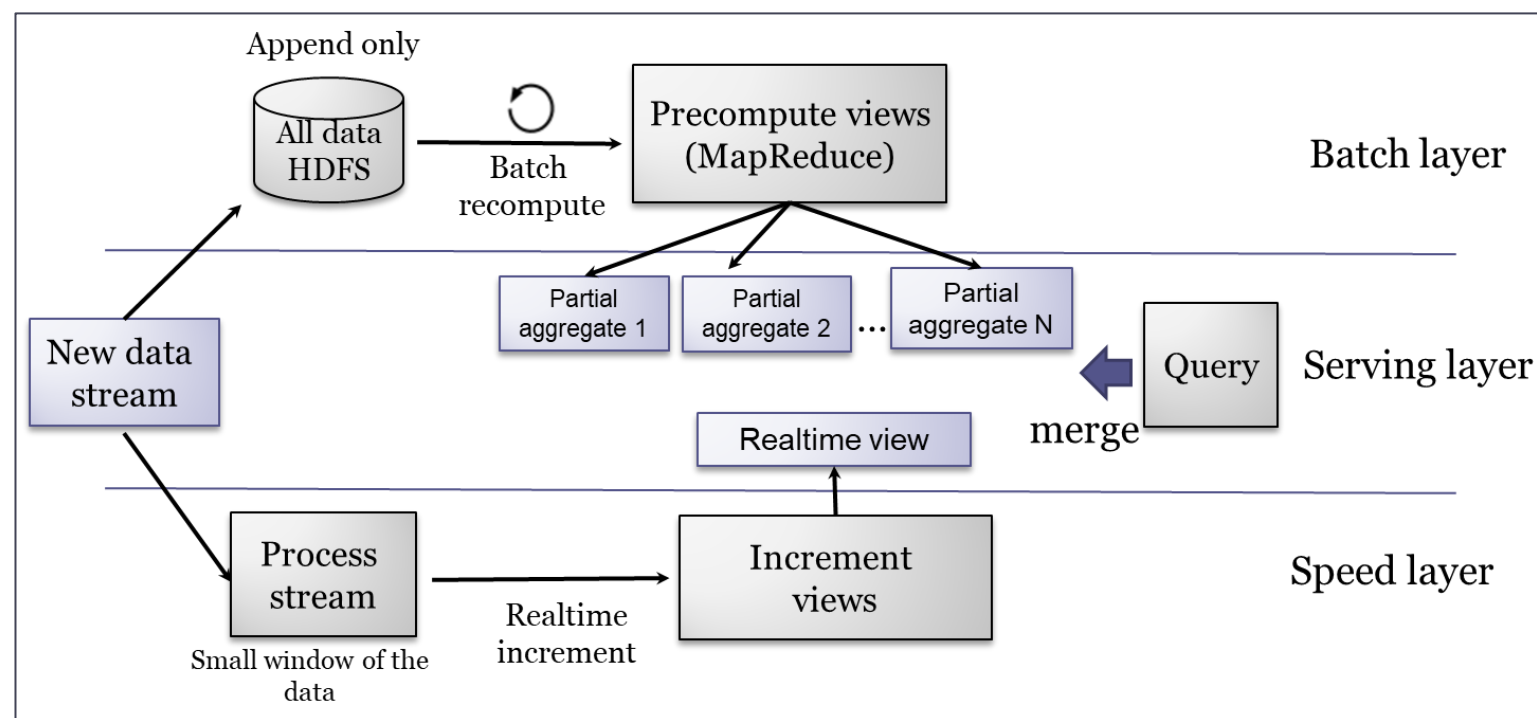
Applications

Spotify, Alibaba, ...

Libraries

Apache Storm

Netflix Suro project



Kappa architecture

Proposed by Jay Krepps (Apache Kafka), 2013

Handle Big data & Real time with logs

Simplifies Lambda architecture

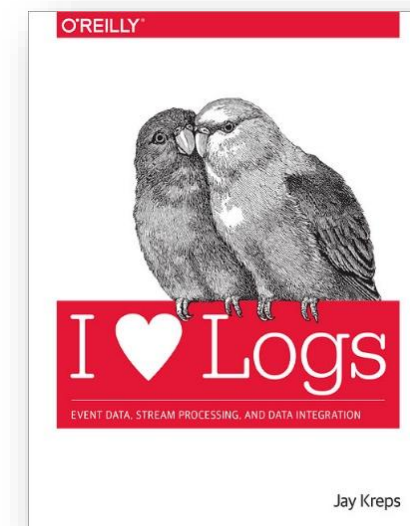
Removes the batch layer

Based on a distributed ordered log

Replicated cluster

The log can be very large

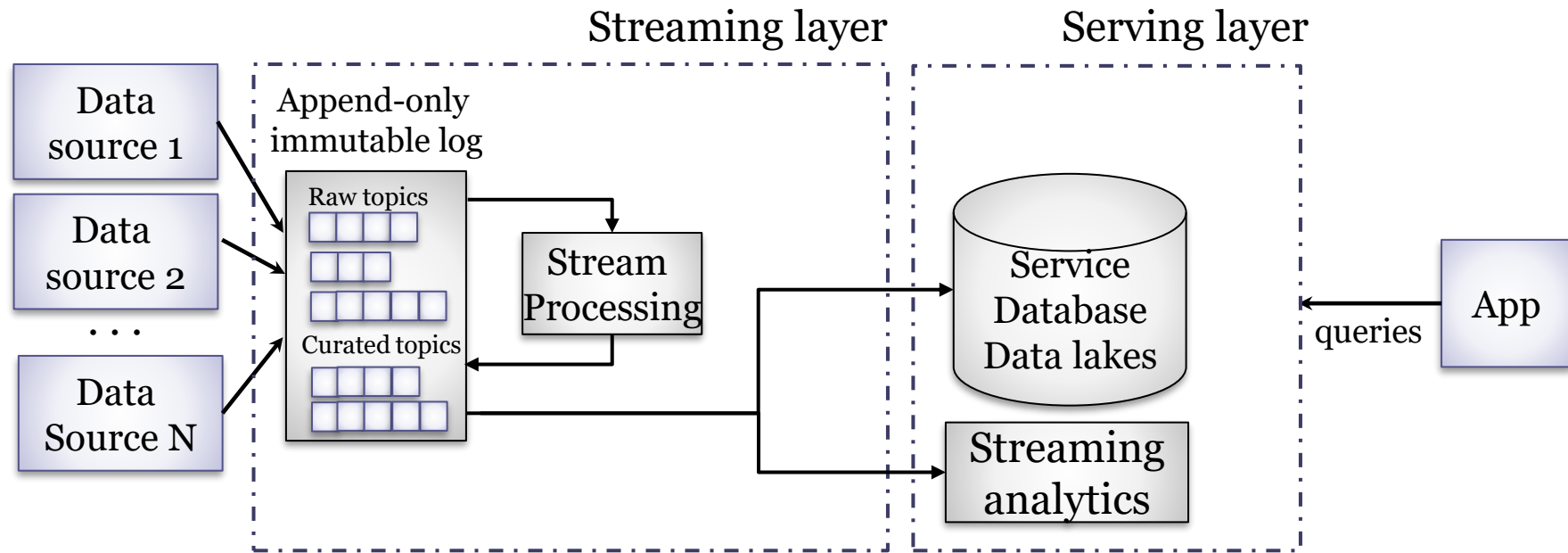
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Kappa architecture



Diagram



Kappa architecture



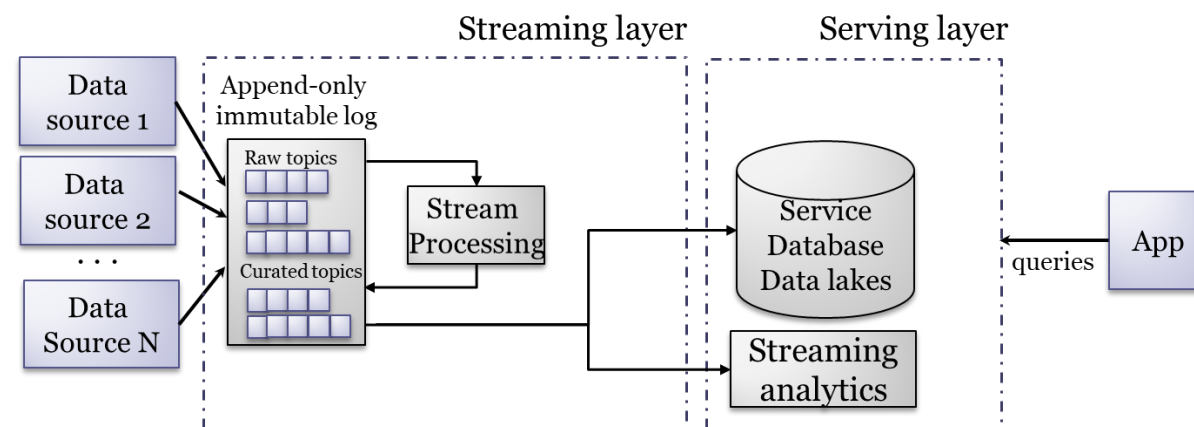
Constraints

The event log is append-only

The events in the log are immutable

Stream processing can request events at any position

To handle failures or doing recomputations



Kappa architecture

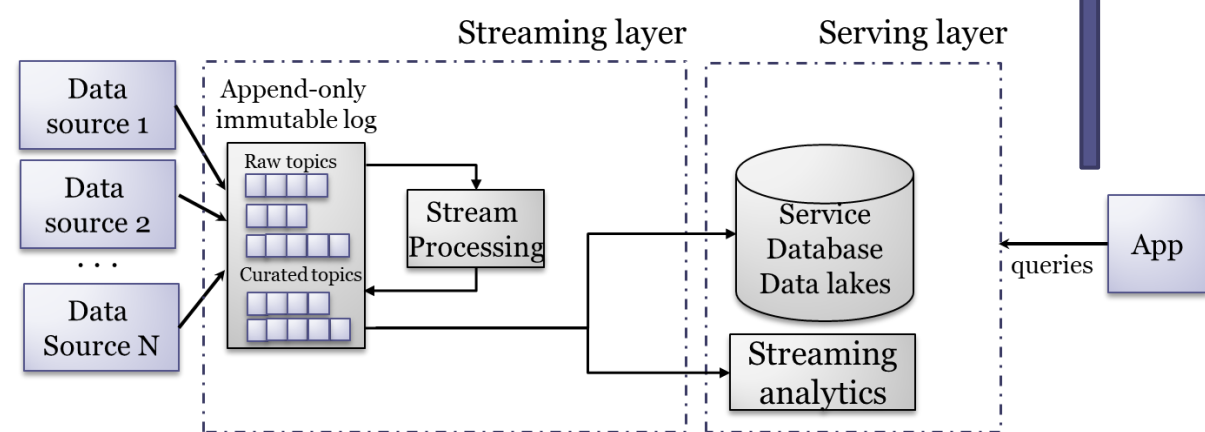


Advantages

- Scalable (big data)
- Real time processing
- Simpler than lambda
- No batch layer

Challenges

- Space requirements
 - Duplication of log and DB
 - Log compaction
- Ordering of events
- Delivery paradigms
 - At least once
 - At most once (it may be lost)
 - Exactly once



Kappa architecture



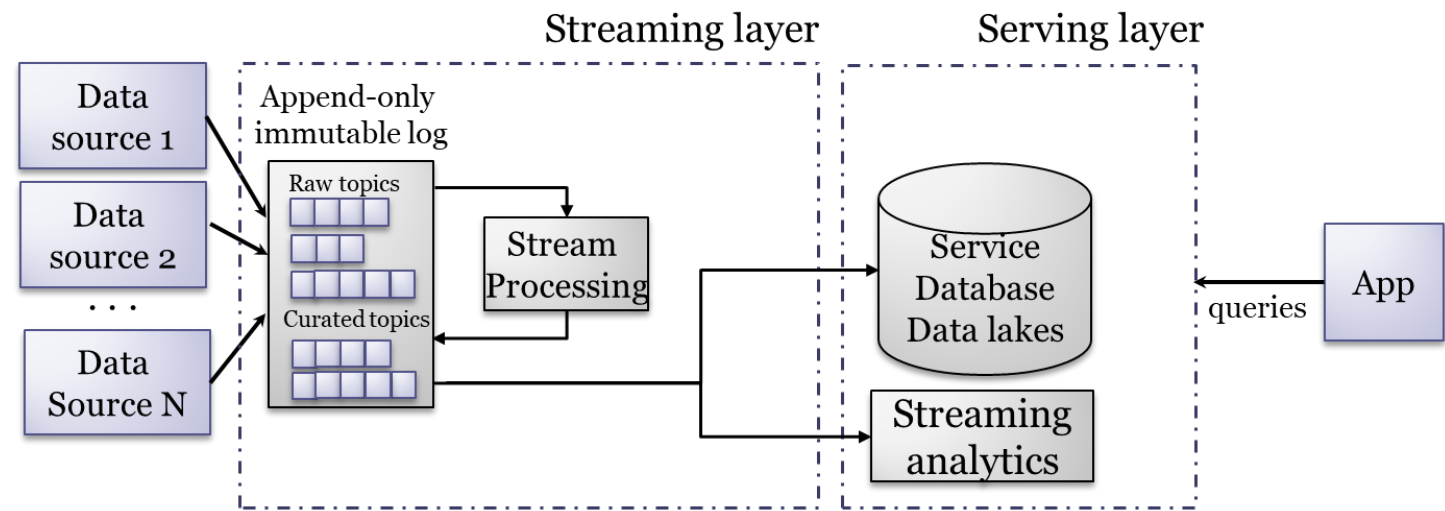
Applications & libraries

Apache Kafka

Apache Samza

Spark Streaming

LinkedIn



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