



Scaling Databases to Infinity and Beyond!

(Well, almost Infinity!)

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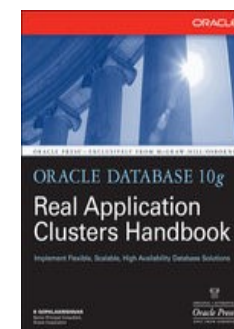
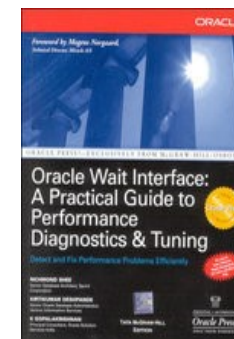
Intro

About the Speaker

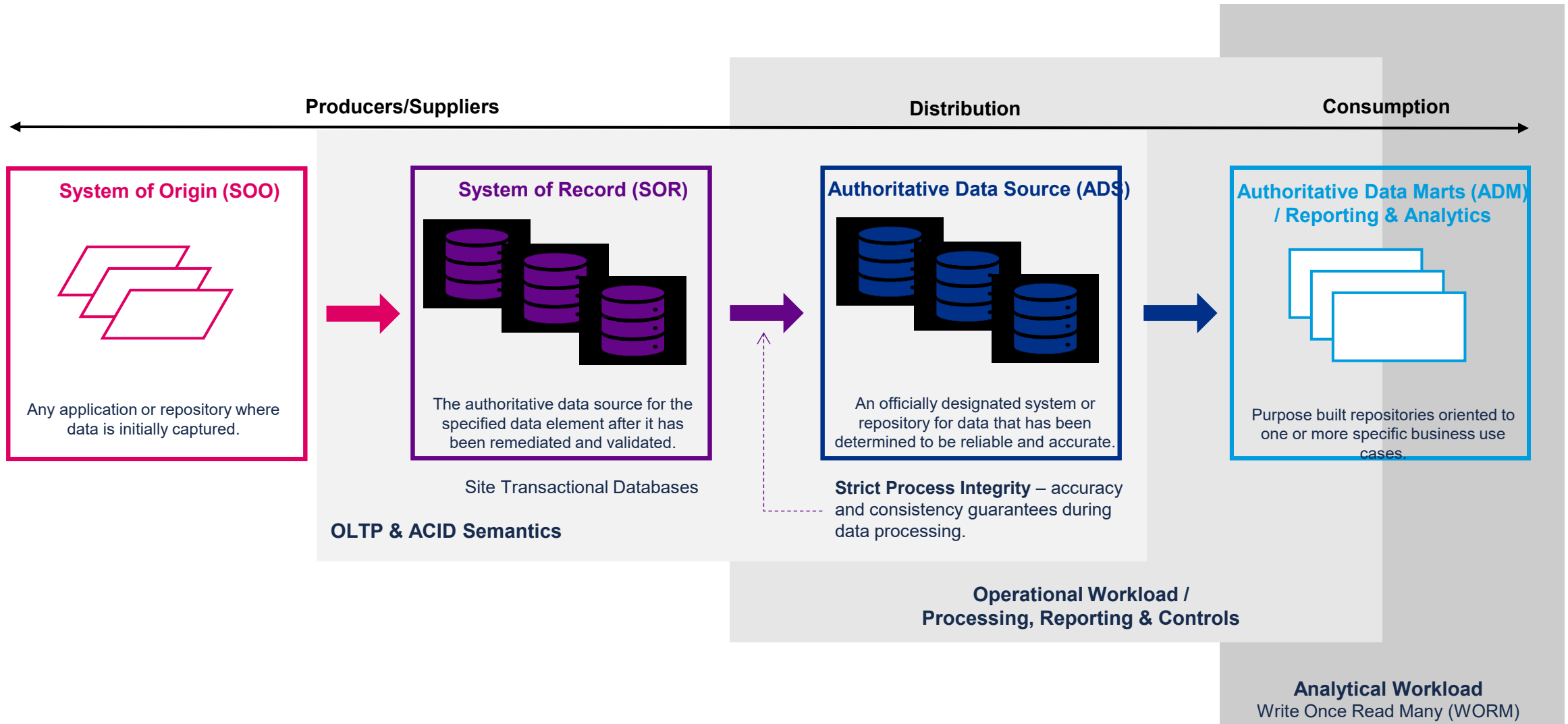
- Currently Sr. Database/Data Architect @ PayPal
- Has been working with Oracle Databases and UNIX for 3+ decades
- Working on various NoSQL/Big Data technologies for the past 6 years
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Definitions: Data Platforms



Site Data Architecture

System of Record (SOR)



The authoritative data source for the specified data element after it has been remediated and validated.

Site Transactional Databases



Authoritative Data Source (ADS)



An officially designated system or repository for data that has been determined to be reliable and accurate.

Strict Process Integrity – accuracy and consistency guarantees during data processing.

Core Tenets

Know [Data About] Your Data (KYD)



First Quarter 2021 Summary

Strong performance across key performance metrics

Active Accounts

392M

Includes **31M** active merchant accounts

↑ **21%** increase y/y

14.5M

Net new active accounts (NNAs)

↓ **28%** decrease y/y*

*Adjusting for the one-time addition of 10.2 million NNAs from the acquisition of Honey in Q1-20, NNAs grew 45% y/y

Customer Engagement

42.2

Payment transactions per active account (TPA)

↑ **7%** increase y/y

↑ **33%** increase y/y in daily active accounts using PayPal core experiences

Total Payment Volume

\$285B

>\$1T on a trailing 12-month basis

↑ **50%** spot and **46%** FX-neutral y/y growth

Revenue

\$6.03B

↑ **31%** spot and **29%** FX-neutral y/y growth

Non-GAAP EPS⁽¹⁾

\$1.22

↑ **84%** increase y/y

Free Cash Flow⁽¹⁾

\$1.5B

↑ **27%** increase y/y
25% as % of revenue

Site Data Architecture

Core Tenets



Resiliency

99.999% = 5.26 minutes/year

Scalability

Distributed Data Stores
Scale-Out Architecture

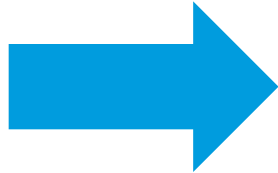
Cost of Ownership

Gotta keep count of the \$\$!

Challenges at Scale

- Pushing the limits

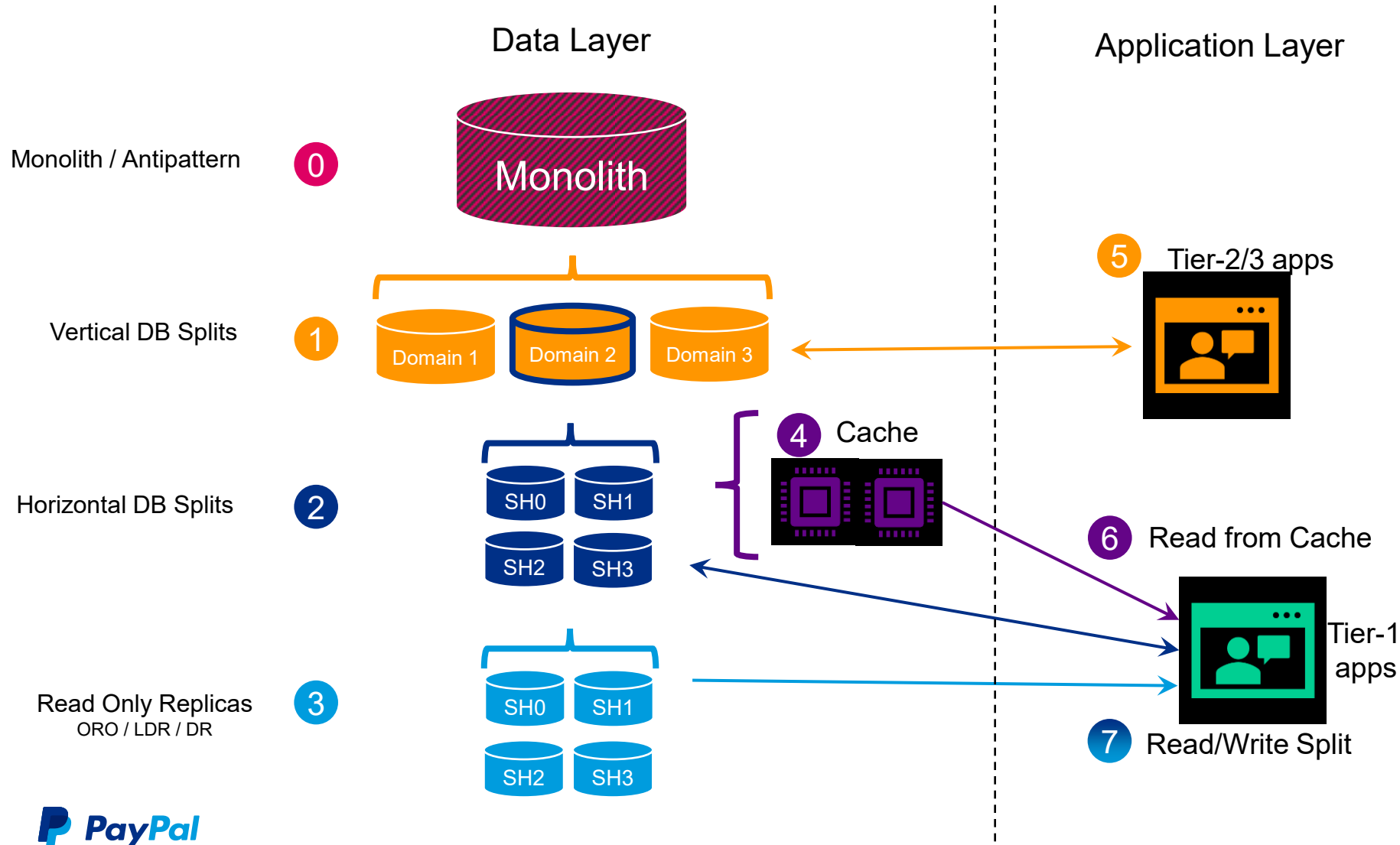
- Connections
- Memory
- Interconnect
- CPU
- DDL on busy tables
- RAC reconfiguration
- Redo rate
- I/O latencies
- SAN Storage limits
- Replication latencies
- HA requirements



- Solutions

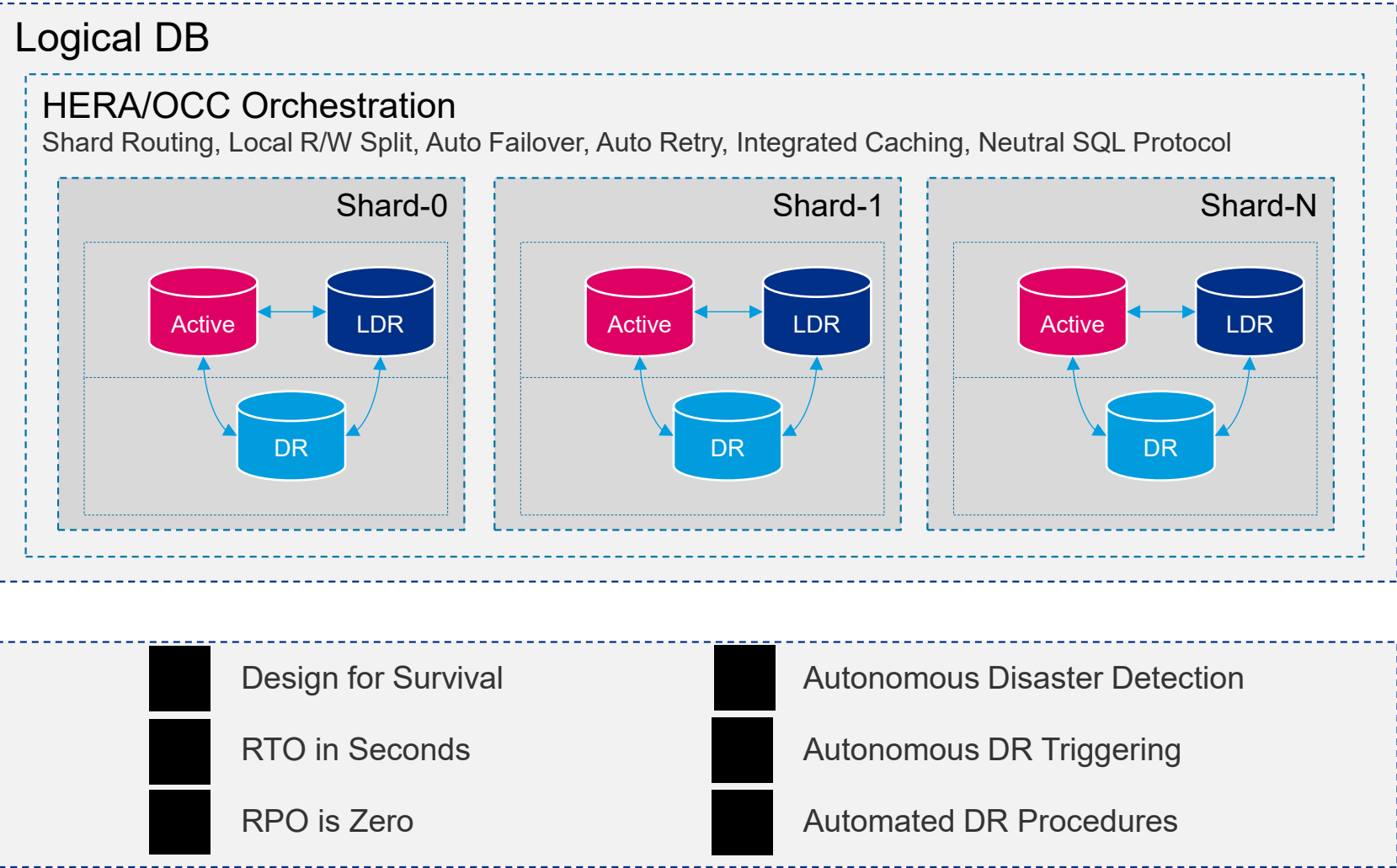
- Custom Connection pooling and multiplexing (OCC)
- Read Scale out (replication)
- Microservice oriented architecture (logical separation)
- Custom HA caching (Juno)
- Custom Sharding
- Active-Active operation using Oracle RO's and GoldenGate
- Storage Tiering and Archiving
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- Moving to Cloud! 😊

Scaling and Blast Radius Resiliency Patterns



Resiliency Vision

- Commodity Shards
- Light DB Units
- DB Engine Agnostic
- HERA/OCC Fronted
- DB Neutral Wire Protocol
- Push Button Automation



Keys: Timed UUID

Timed UUID / PayPal Variant

128-bit number in hexadecimal format:

UUID Version
1- timed; 4 - random

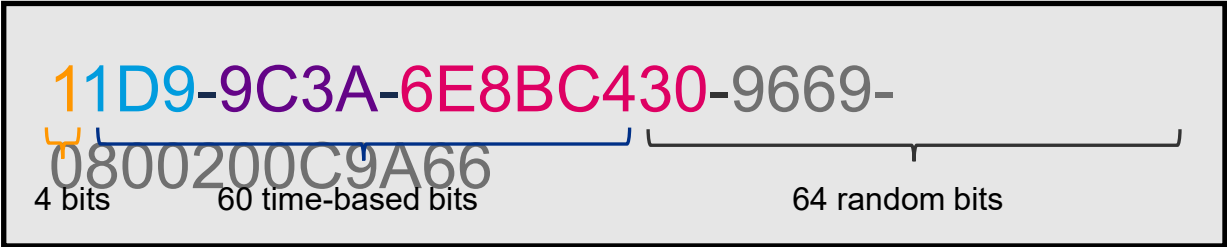
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[time-low]-[time-mid]-[version-and-time-high]-[clock-misc.]-[node]

count of 100 nanosecond intervals
Since 10/15/1582 00:00:00.00 UTC

| | | |
|--|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Decimal equivalent: | [SS.FFFFFFF]-[HH24:MI]-[YYYY-MM-DD] | [50.123456]-[11:20]-[2021-05-27] |
| Decimal equivalent unshuffled : | [YYYY-MM-DD]-[HH24:MI]-[SS.FFFFFFF] | [2021-05-27]-[11:20]-[50.123456] |

Hexadecimal **unshuffled**:

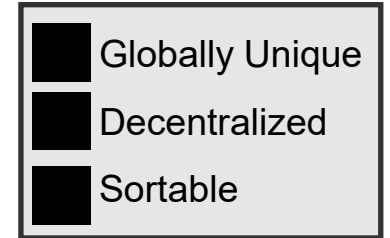
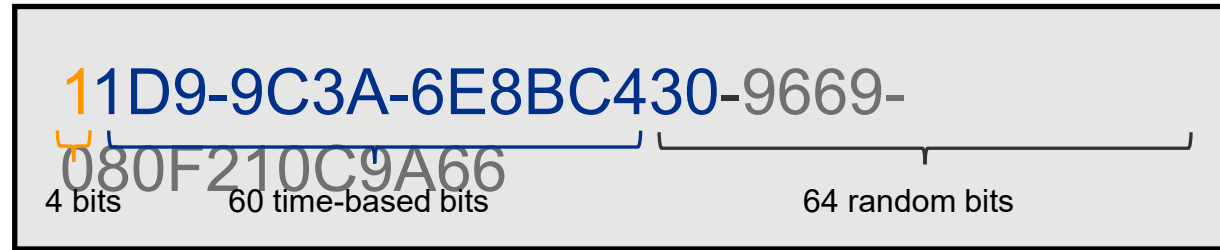


- Globally Unique
- Decentralized
- Sortable

Primary Key, Idempotency Key, Time-Based Partition Key

Timed UUID / PayPal Variant / Collision Rate

Hexadecimal **unshuffled**



To allow for 50% probability of **one collision**,
we need to generate 9.1×10^9 **UUIDs** within **100 nanoseconds** (ns).



~7.9B
people



100 ns =
1 sec / 10M

KYD: Table Categories

Table Categories

| | Immutable | Mutable |
|-------------|---|---|
| Master Data | <p>Reference or configuration data.</p> <p>Country Lookup</p> | <p>Standard business objects like merchant, customer, customer account, customer address, etc..</p> <p>Customer Customer Balance Merchant</p> |

Table Categories

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| Transactional Data | <p>These are time-based recordings of events.</p> <p>Customer Activity Log Journal</p> | <p>Time-based events that are modifiable until they 'close', such as payments or customer cases.</p> <p>Payment Customer Case</p> |

Hybrid Tables

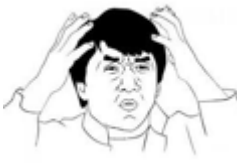
[Master + Transactional Data]



[Do Not Mix]

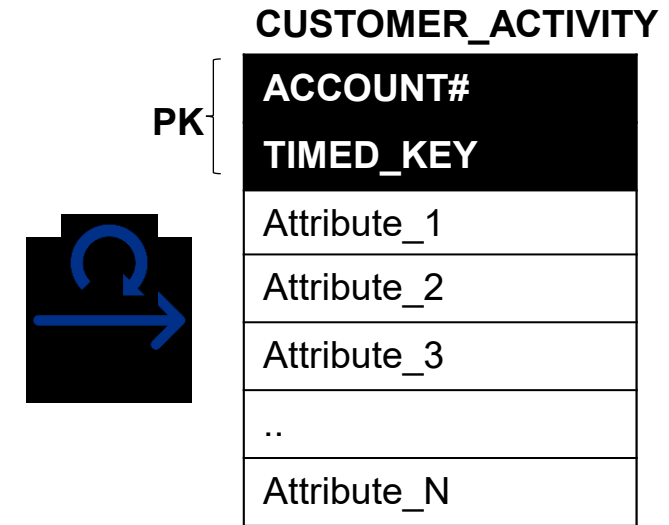
KYD: Access Path

Problem Statement



1. Customer Activities

| Acct # | Time | Attribute 1 | Attribute 2 | Attribute 3 | Attribute N |
|--------|------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| 100 | t1 | A | X | 6 | !@ |
| 400 | t1 | A | Y | 7 | #\$ |
| 300 | t2 | B | X | 8 | %^ |
| 100 | t3 | C | Z | 0 | ^& |
| 300 | t4 | D | Z | 9 | * (|
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2. Query Requirements

Customers need to query and search their data.

Problem Statement cont.

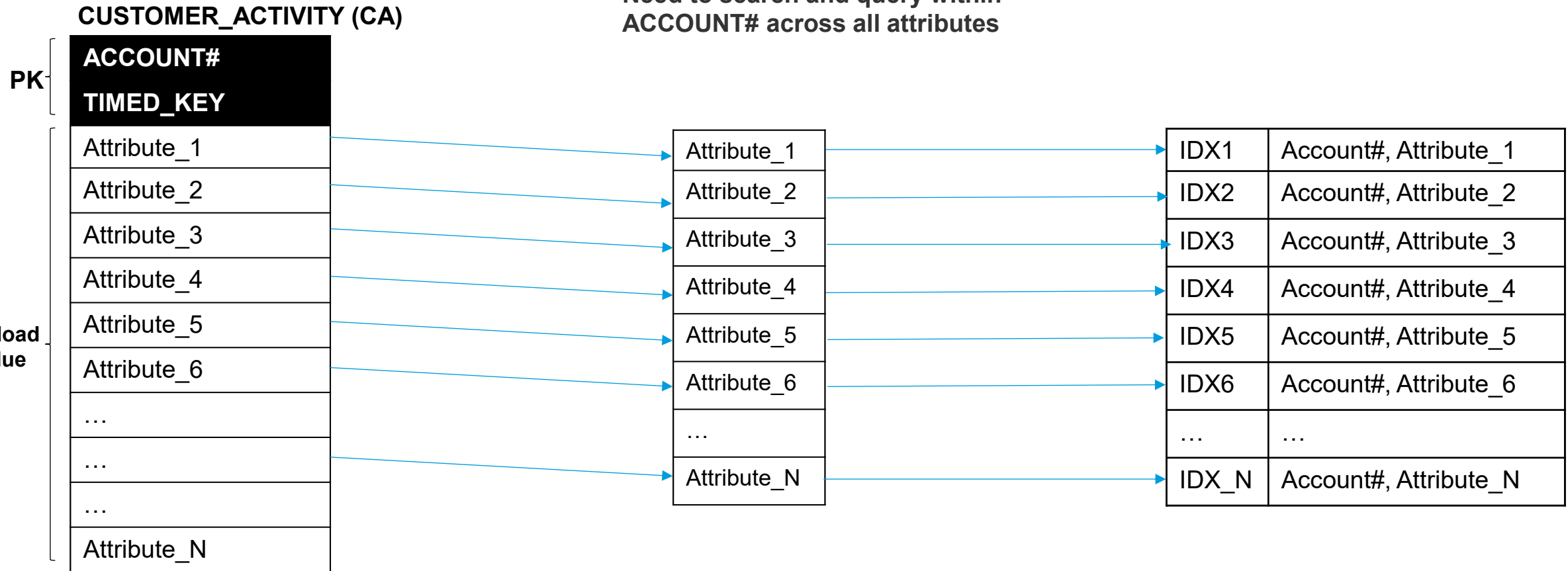


1. Denormalized Table

2. Query Requirements

3. Required Indexes

Need to search and query within
ACCOUNT# across all attributes



Denormalized Index

(Denormalized)²

1. Denormalized Table

PK {

| CUSTOMER_ACTIVITY | |
|-------------------|------------|
| ACCOUNT# | TIMED_UUID |
| Attribute_1 | |
| Attribute_2 | |
| Attribute_3 | |
| Attribute_4 | |
| Attribute_5 | |
| Attribute_6 | |
| Attribute_7 | |
| Attribute_8 | |
| ... | |
| Attribute_N | |

2. “Denormalized” Index

DIY / Logical Index.

| CA_INDEX | | | |
|----------|-----------------|--------------|------------|
| ACCOUNT# | ATTRIBUTE_VALUE | ATTRIBUTE_ID | TIMED_UUID |

Inverted Key-Val index.

Key-Val structure.

| Key | Value |
|-----|---------|
| K1 | A, Y, 4 |
| K2 | A, X, 0 |
| K3 | B, X, 7 |
| ... | ... |

| Value | Key |
|-------|--------|
| A | K1, K2 |
| B | K3 |
| X | K2, K3 |
| Y | K1, K5 |
| ... | ... |

1. Denormalized Table

CUSTOMER_ACTIVITY

| ACCOUNT# |
|-------------|
| TIMED_UUID |
| Attribute_1 |
| Attribute_2 |
| Attribute_3 |
| Attribute_4 |
| Attribute_5 |
| Attribute_6 |
| Attribute_7 |
| Attribute_8 |
| ... |
| Attribute_N |

2. “Denormalized” Index

CA_INDEX

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| ATTRIBUTE_ID |
| TIMED_UUID |

3. How does it work?

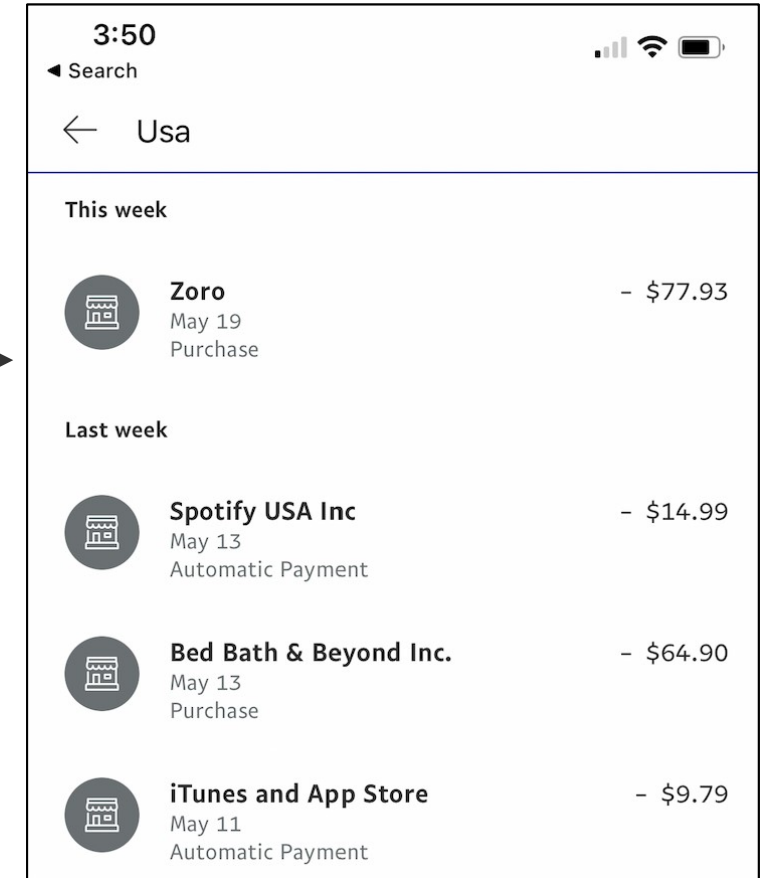
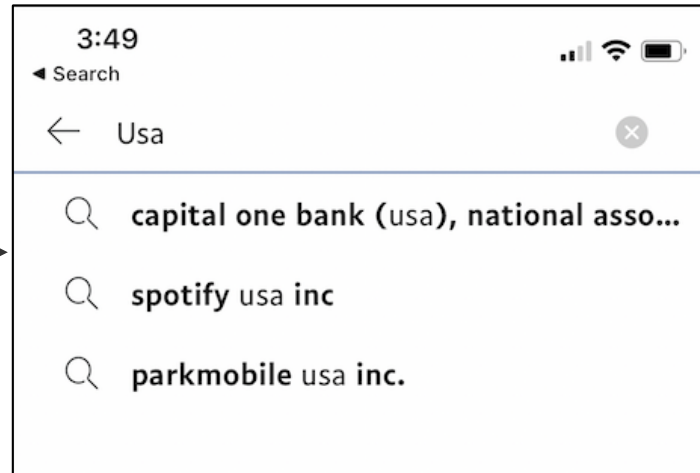
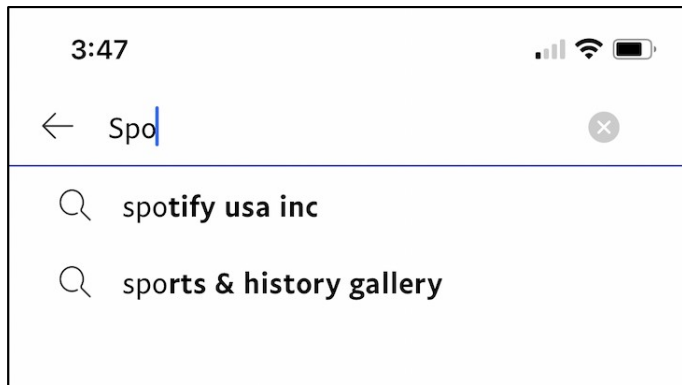
Phase 1: **Query** Index Table

Phase 2: **Fetch** from CA

```
--pseudo code
SELECT *
FROM customer_activity
JOIN
    (SELECT account#, timed_uuid FROM
     ca_index
     WHERE account#=:a
       AND attribute_value = 'Arch'
       AND attribute_id = 42
    ) i
ON ca.account# = i.account#
AND ca.timed_uuid = i.timed_uuid

--dual PK access
```

Search



```
--Type Ahead
SELECT attribute_value
FROM ca_index
WHERE account#=:a
AND attribute_value like '%USA%'
AND rownum < 10;
```

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SELECT * FROM customer_activity
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Scaling it Out

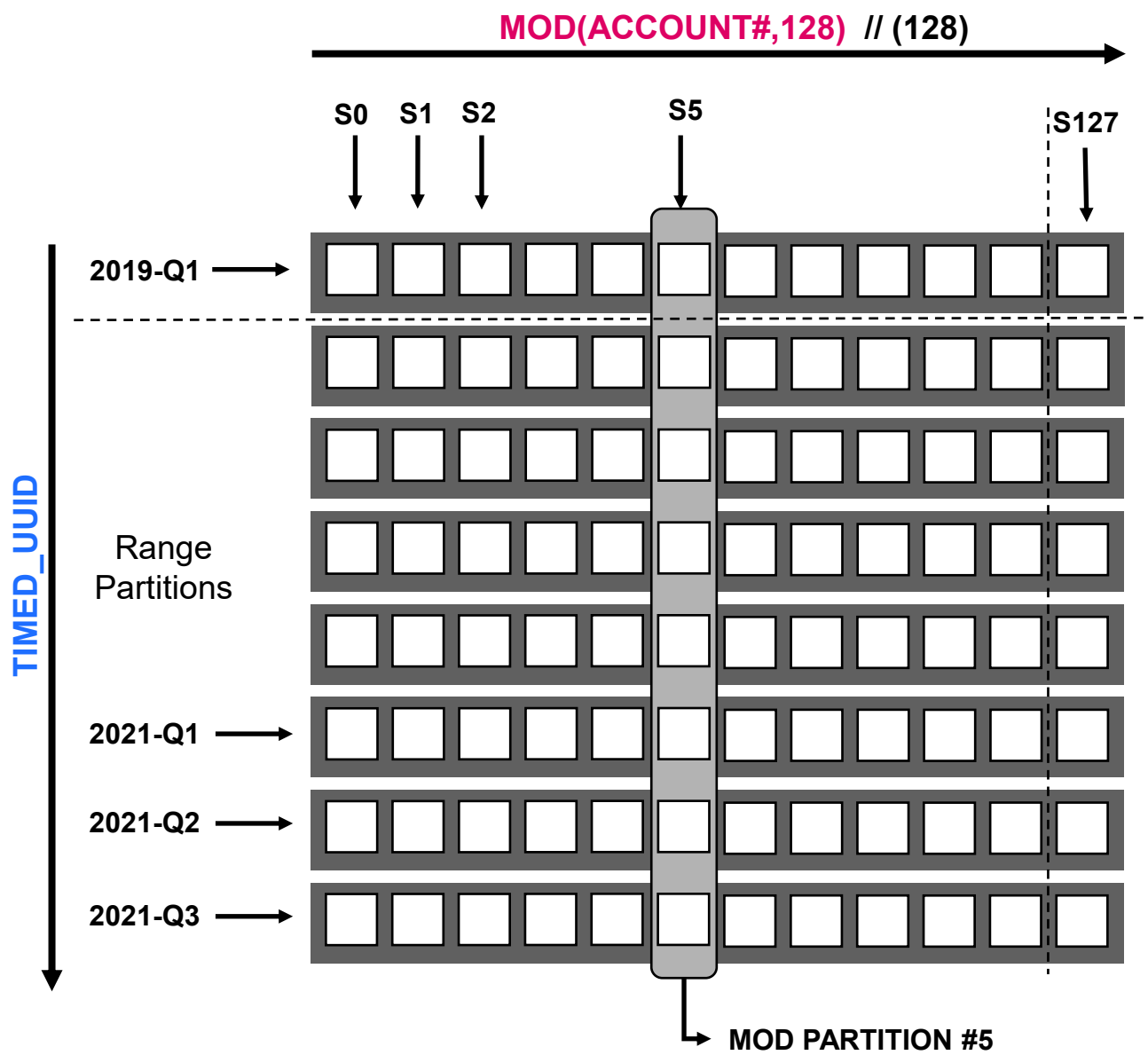


Sharding / Scale-Out

| CUSTOMER_ACTIVITY | CA_INDEX |
|-------------------|-----------------|
| ACCOUNT# | ACCOUNT# |
| TIMED_UUID | ATTRIBUTE_VALUE |
| Attribute_1 | ATTRIBUTE_ID |
| Attribute_2 | TIMED_UUID |
| Attribute_3 | |
| ... | |
| Attribute_N | |

ACCOUNT# = Shard Key
TIMED_UUID = Range Key
PK on (ACCOUNT#, TIMED_UUID)

- Current State (7+ y/o CAM)
- 8 Physical Shards
 - ~100TB/Shard
 - >billions of reads/writes/day/table



DB Engine Agnostic

Why use NoSQL?

Flexibility

- Flexible schemas that enable faster and iterative development.
- Ideal for semi-structured and unstructured datasets.

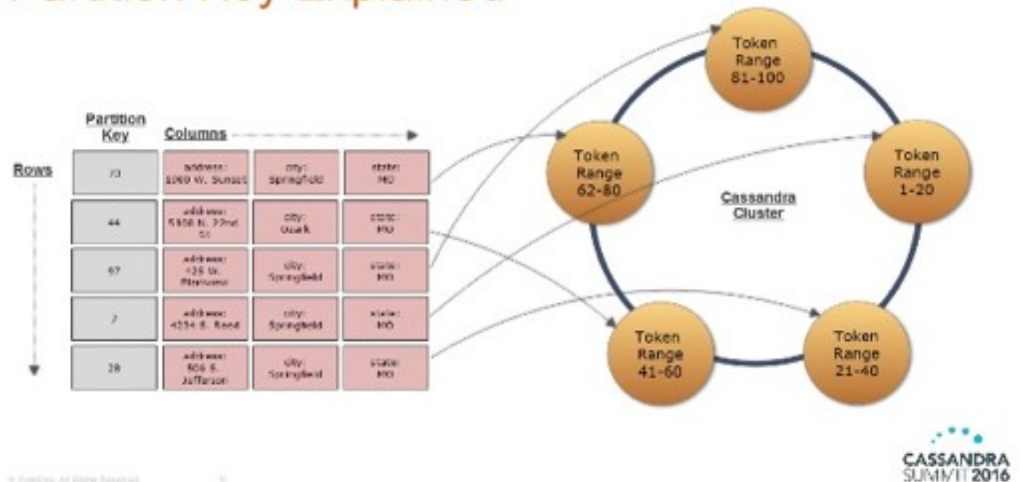
Scalability

- Designed to scale out by using distributed clusters of hardware.
- Some cloud providers manage it behind-the-scenes

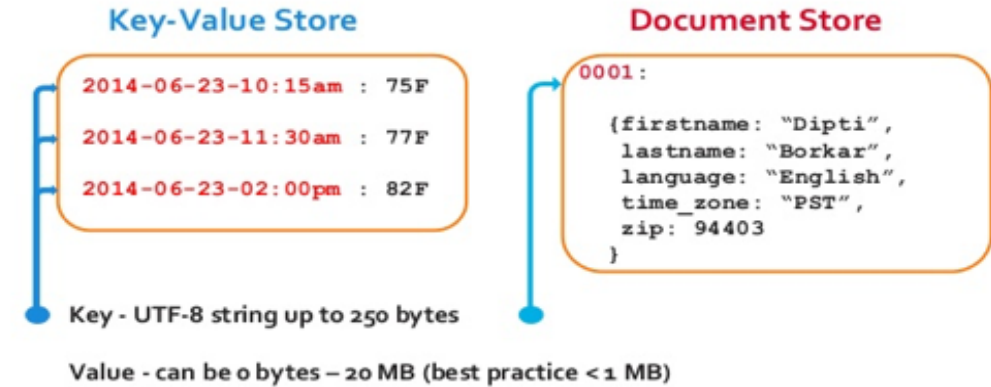
Performance

- Optimized for specific data models (e.g., document, key-value)
- Optimized for access patterns.

Partition Key Explained



Couchbase can act as a





Appendix

Query vs Search

| | Query Engine | Search Engine (ES) |
|-------------------|--|---|
| 1. Input | Know exactly what you are looking for. | Exact value is not required for searching. Supports fuzzy, partial, proximity, etc., match. |
| 2. Output | Returns only results that match. | Top-N ranked matches based on relevance scoring using tf-idf . |
| | Completeness and accuracy is guaranteed. | Do not need to retrieve all results. First few pages, OK. |
| 3. Data Access | Predominately index-based access. Primary or secondary index based. | Query each shard in the index (Phase 1). Populate local priority queue (top-n results). Combine into global queue (global top-n). Fetch top-n documents (Phase 2). |
| 4. Performance | Optimal performance / access path. | Search has much more work to do. |
| 5. Service Time | Supports millions of executions per second. From sub-msec. | Takes longer than regular query. 10-20 msec - considered good. 100-200 msec - under heavy load. "Depending on the search complexity (term vs phrase vs proximity), it can be 10 to 20 times longer than simple term search." |
| 6. Core Strengths | Predictable / Systematic Lookups. | Interactive (Human!) Search / Complex Investigation. |

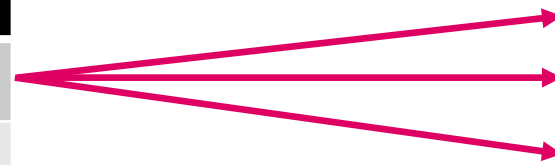
Key-Val and Inverted Indexes

Data Table

| Key | Value |
|-----|------------|
| K1 | A1, B3, C4 |
| K2 | A1, C2, X0 |
| K3 | C2, X0, Y4 |
| .. | .. |

Index Table

| Value | Key |
|-------|--------|
| A1 | K1, K2 |
| B2 | K1 |
| C2 | K2, K3 |
| C4 | K1, K5 |
| X0 | K2, K3 |
| Y4 | K3 |
| .. | .. |

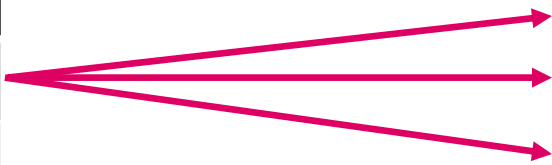


Inverted Key-Val index.

Composite Key-Val Structures

Data Table

| Acc# | Timed Key | Value |
|------|-----------|------------|
| ABC | TK1 | A1, B3, C4 |
| ABC | TK2 | A1, C2, X0 |
| ABC | TK3 | C2, X0, Y4 |
| .. | .. | .. |



Index Table

| Acc# | Value | Timed Key |
|------|-------|-----------|
| ABC | A1 | TK1, TK2 |
| ABC | B2 | TK1 |
| ABC | C2 | TK2, TK3 |
| ABC | C4 | TK1, TK5 |
| ABC | X0 | TK2, TK3 |
| ABC | Y4 | TK3 |
| | .. | .. |

Inverted Key-Val index with a leading edge.