

# Riak to the Rescue

# Migrating Big Data



meltwater

# Big Data.

# Buzzwords.

Don't  
believe the  
Hype.



# Who am I?

Support  
Development  
SysAdmin  
Managing Operations



# Operations

8 Ops Engineers  
4 Offices



# Operations

650 physical  
200 virtual  
3 data centres

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# Migrating Big Data

- Meltwater
- Social Media Data Volumes
- Try and Fail
- Analyse and Succeed
- Things to Learn

# Meltwater

## AI-ENHANCED

# Meltwater

## News Monitoring

# Paper-Clip

Read News  
Cut and Glue  
Telefax

# Meltwater News

Crawl the Web  
Match new Articles  
Morning Report  
Analytics UI

# Products

PR

m|news  
m|press

Marketing

m|buzz / engage  
icerocket

# SaaS

Subscription model  
24,000 clients



basho

technologies

# riak

- Open Source
- Dynamo Paper
- Erlang



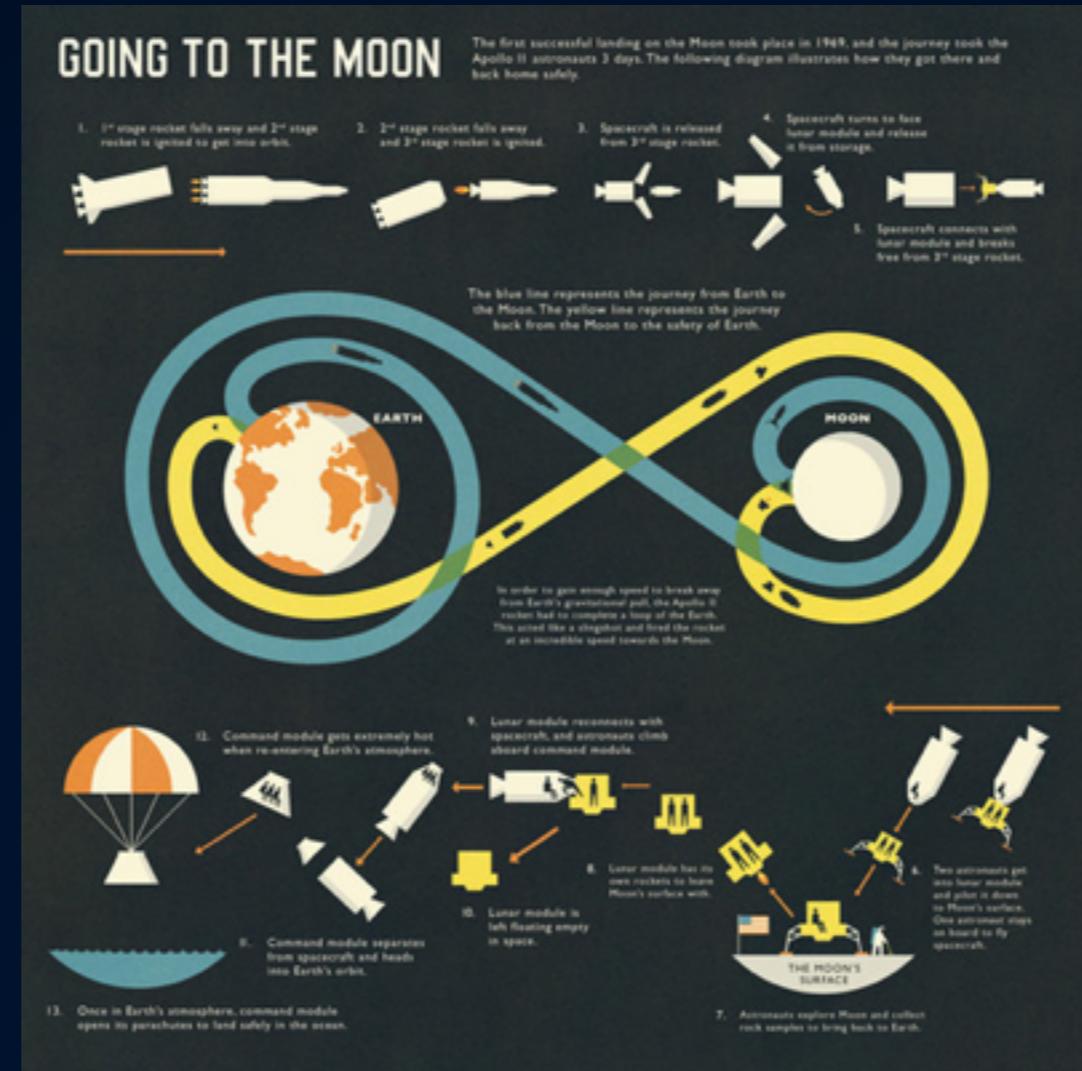
2.0

OMG, OMG!!

thanks, basho.

# Meltwater Buzz

WIEGEMAGEL RAK



m|news  
m|buzz

20 D/s - 8400 S/s  
600 D/s - ??

# Interesting Shtuff

By Joan Doe - 2014/05/06

*Something amazing happened yesterday. It was more interesting than what happened the day before, but maybe it won't change the events that are about to come tomorrow.*

What does Lorem ipsum dolor really mean? we know it is not real latin. But it looks pretty good, since the characters are evenly distributed. I once tried translating it, and it really doesn't make any sense. Talking here is amazing. Wow, Denmark - it's actually really cool being in Aarhus. You should have a chat with me after the talk if you have further questions. Please don't hesitate to say hi. If you're in Berlin, come stop by the meltwater office for a chat about big data, a cup of coffee, a game of table tennis or foosball. You can find us at Rotherstraße 22 in Friedrichshain.

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# Social Media

- 140 Characters
- Pages Long

# Social Media

- Metadata
  - Location
  - Followers
  - Threads

# Social Media

- Extracted Metadata
  - sentiment
  - named entities
  - intent
- Editorial vs. Opinion vs. Both

# m|buzz version 1

- Buzzgain
- php, MySQL, SolR



Pinterest

You Tube



# Attention!

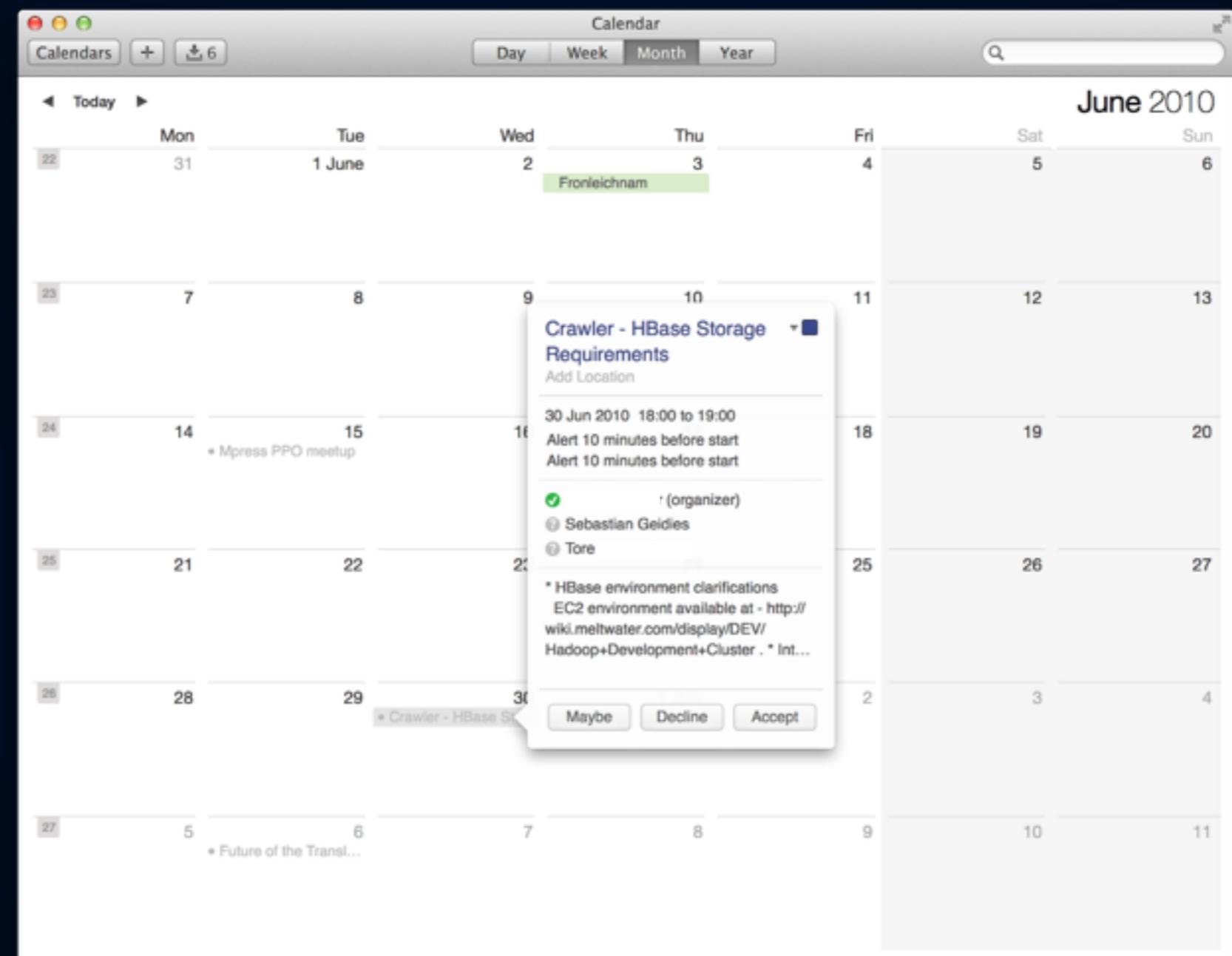
Very serious  
situation

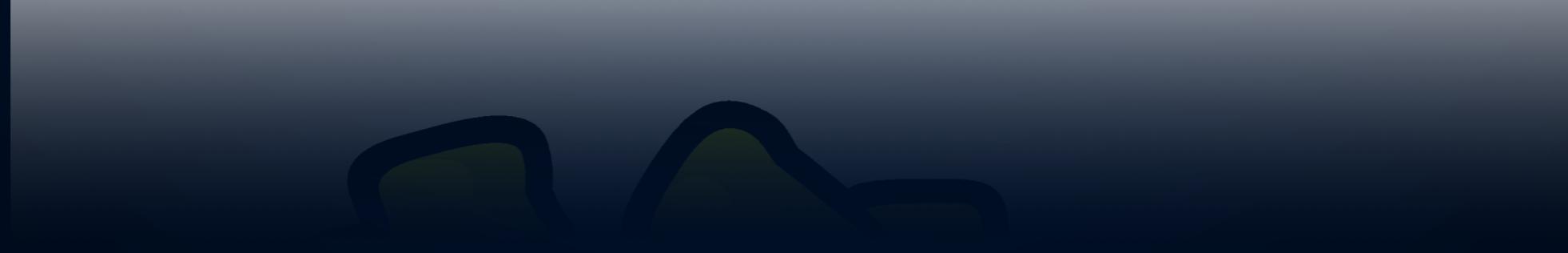
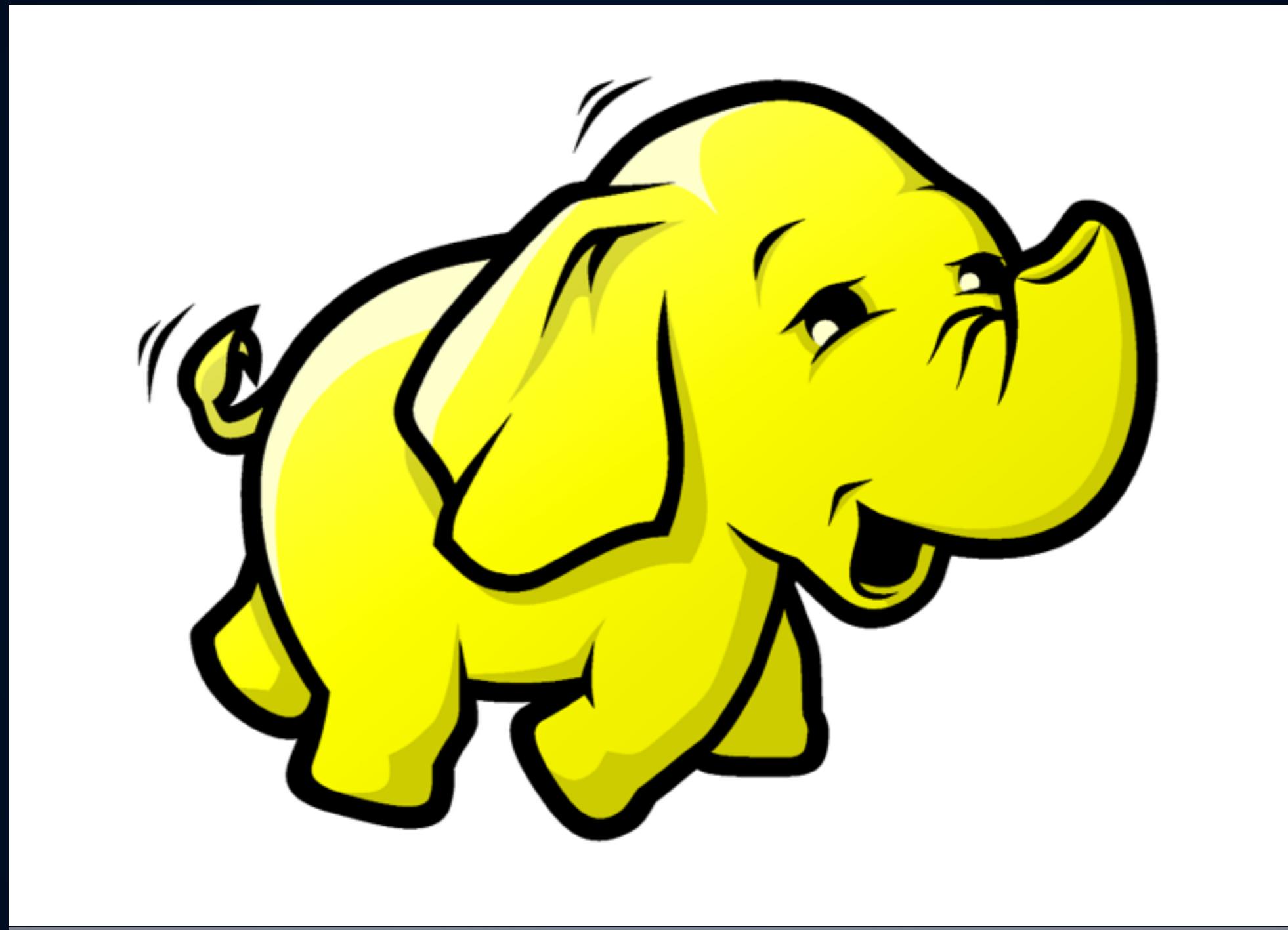
# Your Use Case

Research  
Evaluate  
Test

# m|buzz version 2

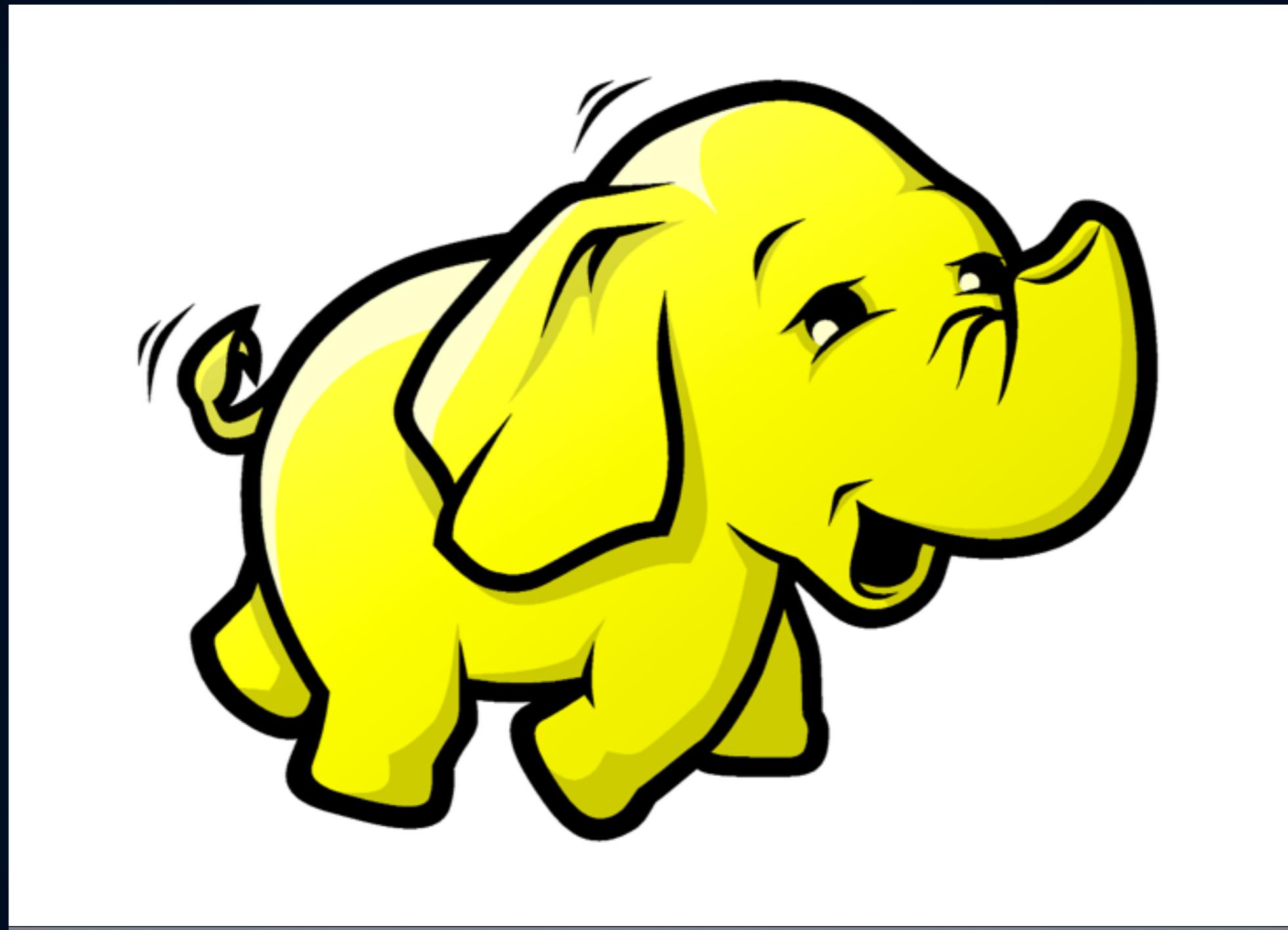
Scalability,  
Features,  
Buzzwords!





“Some people, when confronted with a problem,  
think "I know, I'll use regular expressions." Now  
they have two problems.”

– *Jamie Zawinski*



# Requirements

- Fail-Safety
- High Availability
- A Lot of Unstructured Data
- Near-Real-Time Indexing
- Time-Based Ordering instead of Relevancy

# m|buzz version 2

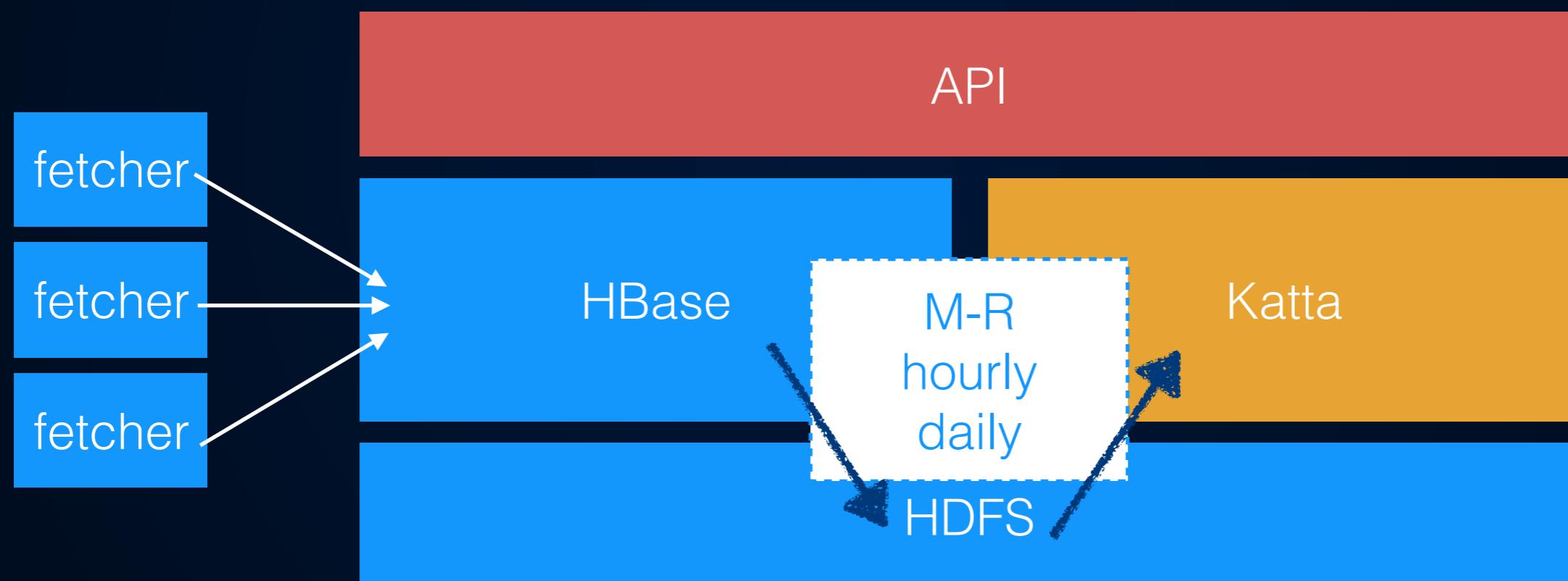
- Hadoop Ecosystem
- Apache Projects



APACHE  
**HBASE**

The logo for Apache HBase. It features the word "APACHE" in a small, grey, sans-serif font above the word "HBASE" in a large, bold, red, sans-serif font.

# m|buzz version 2



# It's a trap!

- buzzwords
- commodity hardware
- scale



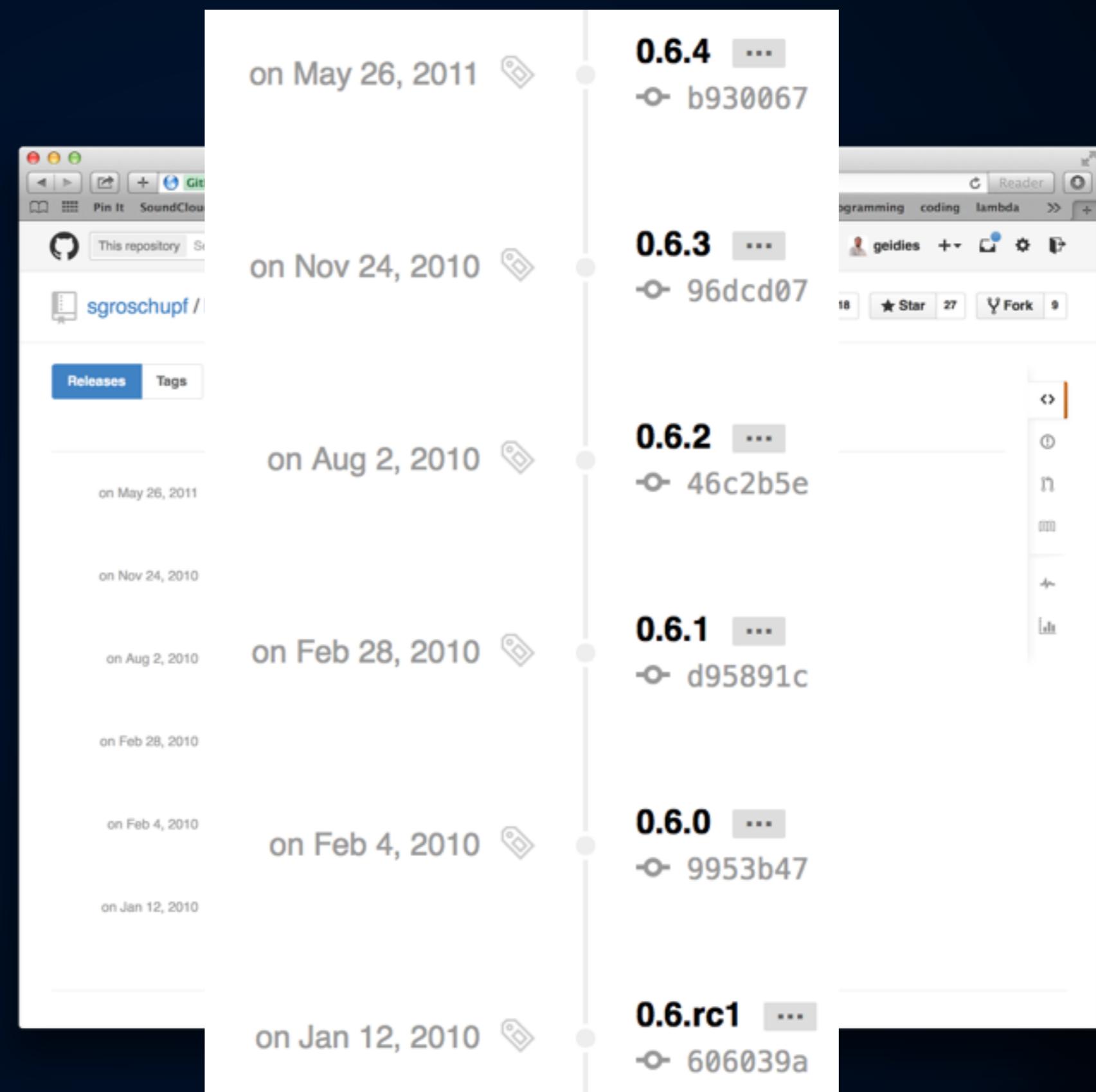
/opt/software



- Build upon lucene
- Master -> Worker -> Client
- communication through zookeeper
- multiple index copies
- copied from HDFS -> local disk



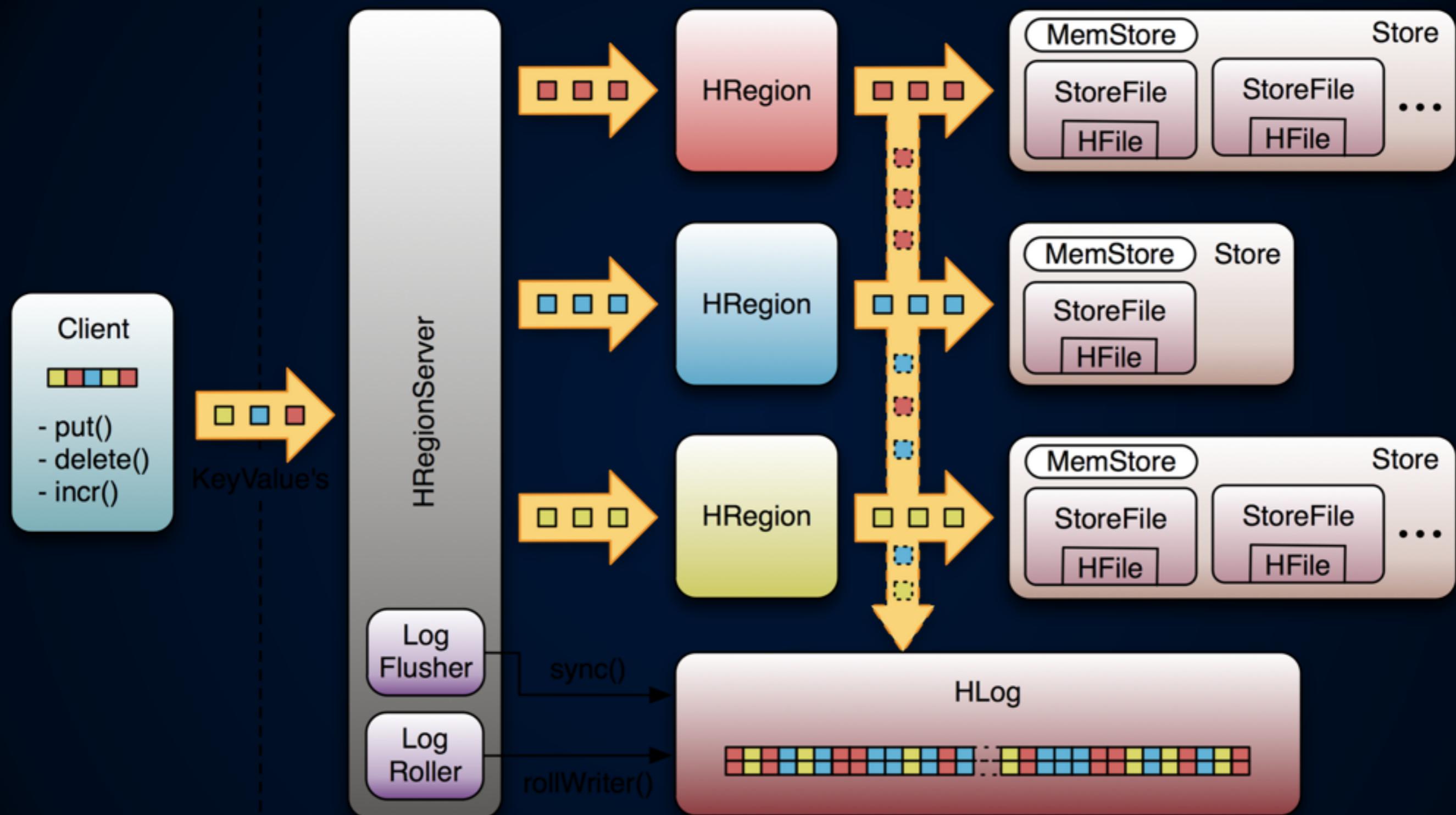
- OK in theory.
- Out Of Memory
- Garbage Collection Hell
- version 0.62 - odd bugs.



APACHE  
**HBASE**



APACHE  
**HBASE**





-ROOT-

.META.

# Fail-Safety

# Fail-Safety

Does NOT mean High Availability

Data on a Single Node

# Minutes.

55,000 posts / minute

# Funny Regions

Overlapping  
Gaps  
Negative Length

# Funny Regions

```
REGION => {NAME => 'buzz_data,  
1333073443000_62gfsHBsE5vNSz168ByvP5tDPu0A,1333173530871',  
STARTKEY => '1333073443000_62gfsHBsE5vNSz168ByvP5tDPu0A',  
ENDKEY => '1326306499000_evKK670FSV9MAas2CMZAr41wLm0A', ENCODED =>  
128988498, TABLE => {{NAME => 'buzz_data', FAMILIES => [{NAME =>  
'fm_contents', VERSIONS => '1', COMPRESSION => 'LZO', TTL => '2147483647',  
BLOCKSIZE => '65536', IN_MEMORY => 'false', BLOCKCACHE => 'true'}, {NAME =>  
'fm_input_info', VERSIONS=> '1', COMPRESSION => 'LZO', TTL => '2147483647',  
BLOCKSIZE => '65536', IN_MEMORY => 'false', BLOCKCACHE => 'true'}, {NAME =>  
'fm_metadata', VERSIONS => '1', COMPRESSION => 'LZO', TTL => '2147483647',  
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'fm_output_info', VERSIONS => '1', COMPRESSION => 'LZO', TTL => '2147483647',  
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# HBase

- .META. corruption
- Data Unavailability
- Slow Start of Regions
- Full Cluster Restarts Slow
- Hotspots

# Good News!

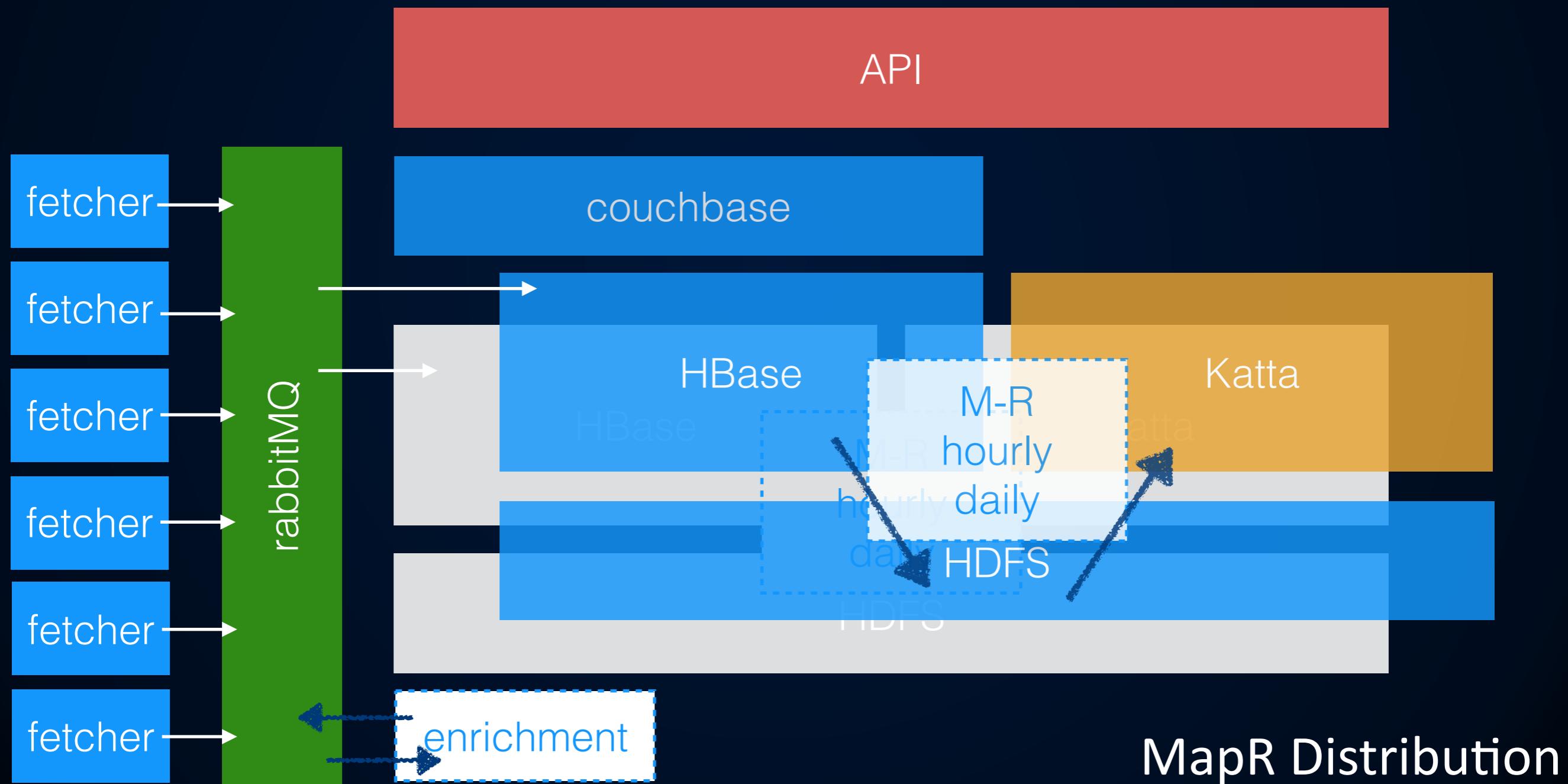
NameNode never crashed.  
Great.

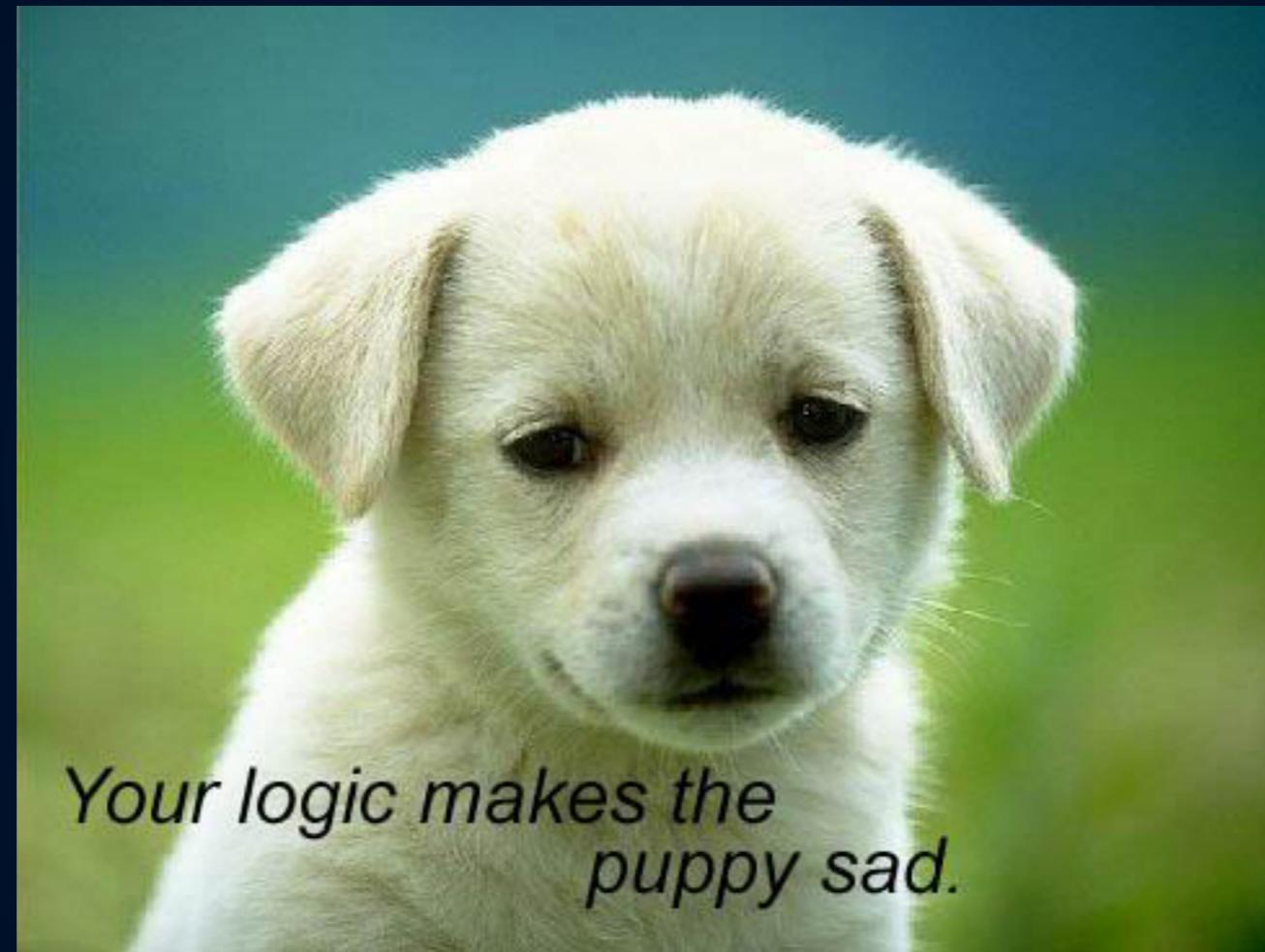
# Changes . . .

...do you speak it?



# m|buzz version 2.5





*Your logic makes the  
puppy sad.*

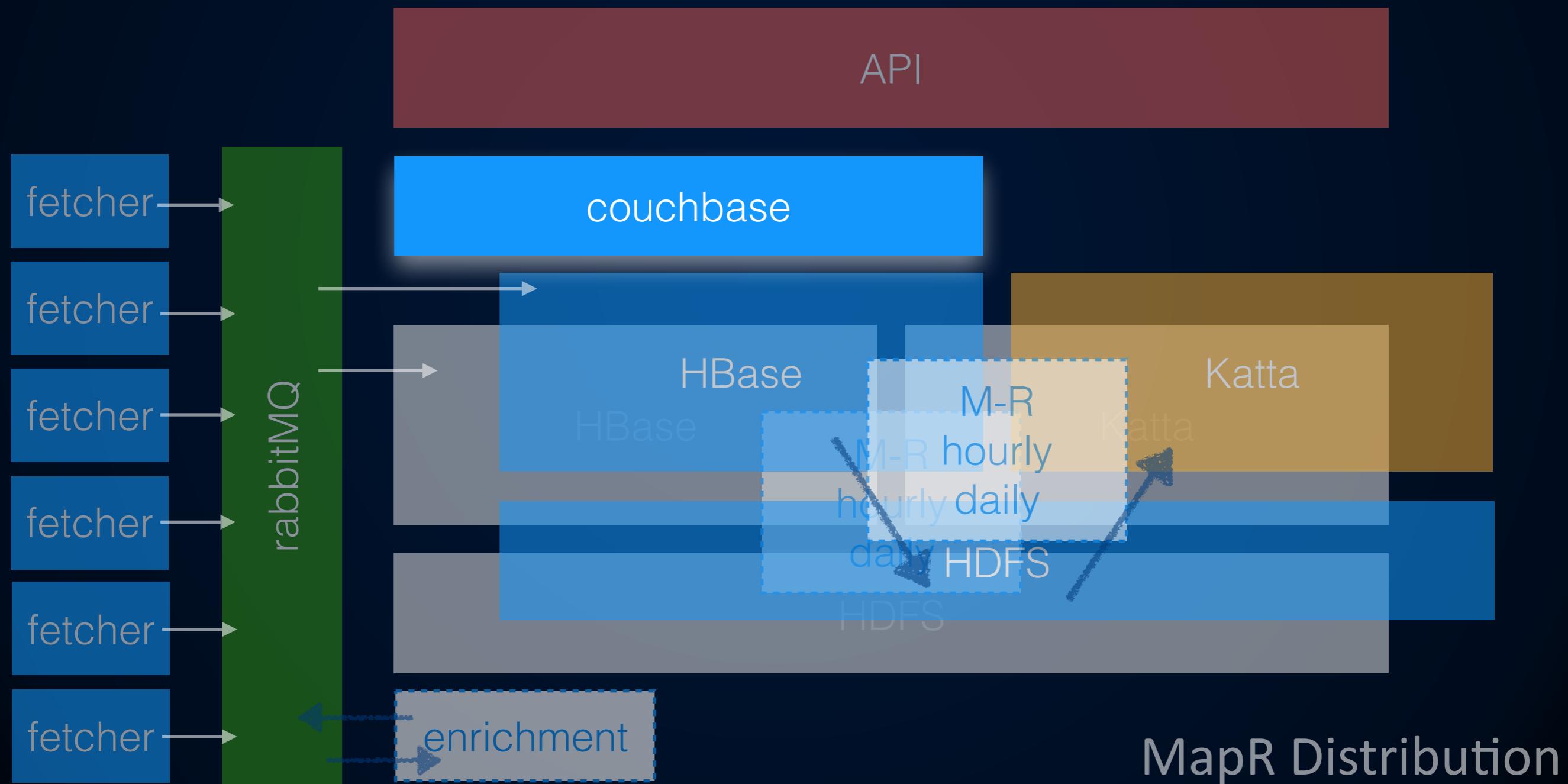
your logic makes the  
puppy sad.





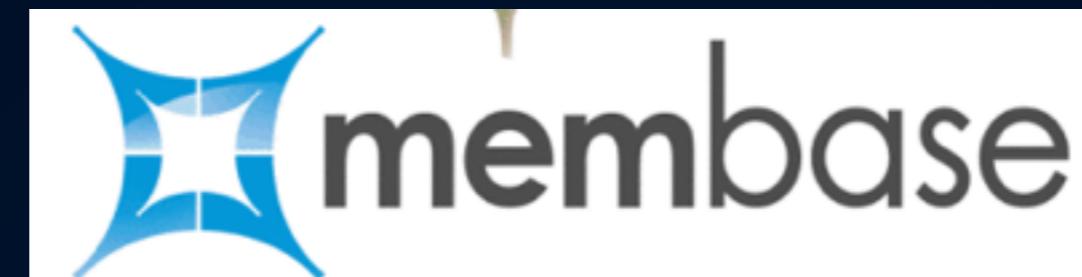
- Message Queue System
- Erlang
- Redundant Setup, fail-safe and high-available
- Write to Exchange -> Distribute to Multiple Queues

# m|buzz version 2.5



# CouchBase

COUCHBASE



# COUCHBase

COUCHBASE

# First Read Wins

Parallel Reads:  
couchbase  
vanilla HBase  
MapR HBase

# couchbase scales!

...to four weeks of data.  
2.2B entries  
TTL

Are we there yet?

Calendars + 6

Day Week Month Year

Today

Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat Sun

31 1 Aug mBuzz Rearchitecture - Infrastructure Skype

22 Aug 2011 19:00 to 20:00 Alert 10 minutes before start Alert 10 minutes before start

32 \* NLP Mitigation Plan... • strategy for BF acc...

✓ James... 1 (organizer)  
✓ David  
✓ Roy  
∅ Sebastian Geldies  
✓ Tim...

33 15 Mariä Himmelfahrt Session to cover the infrastructure and systems behind the buzz rearchitecture project. I'll try to cover all of the general components, and we can discuss ways we might be able to deploy & manage...

34 22 WFH! Fensterbauer \* mBuzz Rearchitect...

Maybe Decline Accept

35 29 30 \* Super Admin Deploy...

31 1 September 2 \* ORGA LUNCH  
\* ORGA LUNCH  
\* ORGA LUNCH

5 6 7 \* ORGA LUNCH  
\* ORGA LUNCH  
\* ORGA LUNCH

8 9 10 11 \* Discuss Deployment...  
\* Discuss Deployment...  
\* Discuss Deployment...  
\* Discuss Deployment...

12 13 14 \* NLP Implementatio...

17 18 19 \* Office Wrap-Up

24 25 26

27 28

29 30

31 1 September 2 \* ORGA LUNCH  
\* ORGA LUNCH  
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36 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 Linda Geburtstag Linda Geburtstag

August 2011

# Options

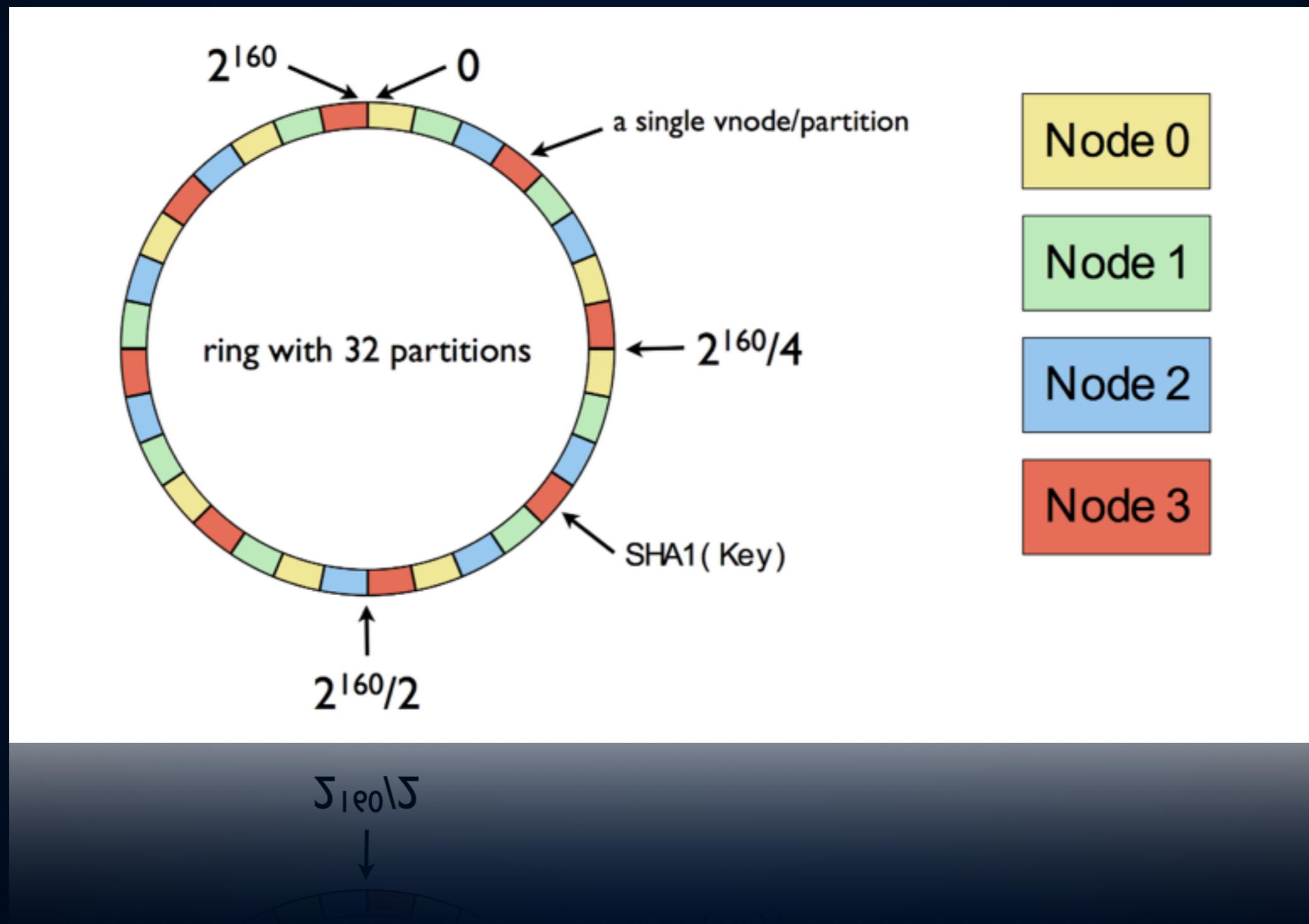
	Pro	Con
custom WAL	works safely	doesn't scale (easily)
MySQL cluster	A lot of experience	hitting limit of scaling
commercial Object storage	commercial support	up-front investment
riak		

# Requirements

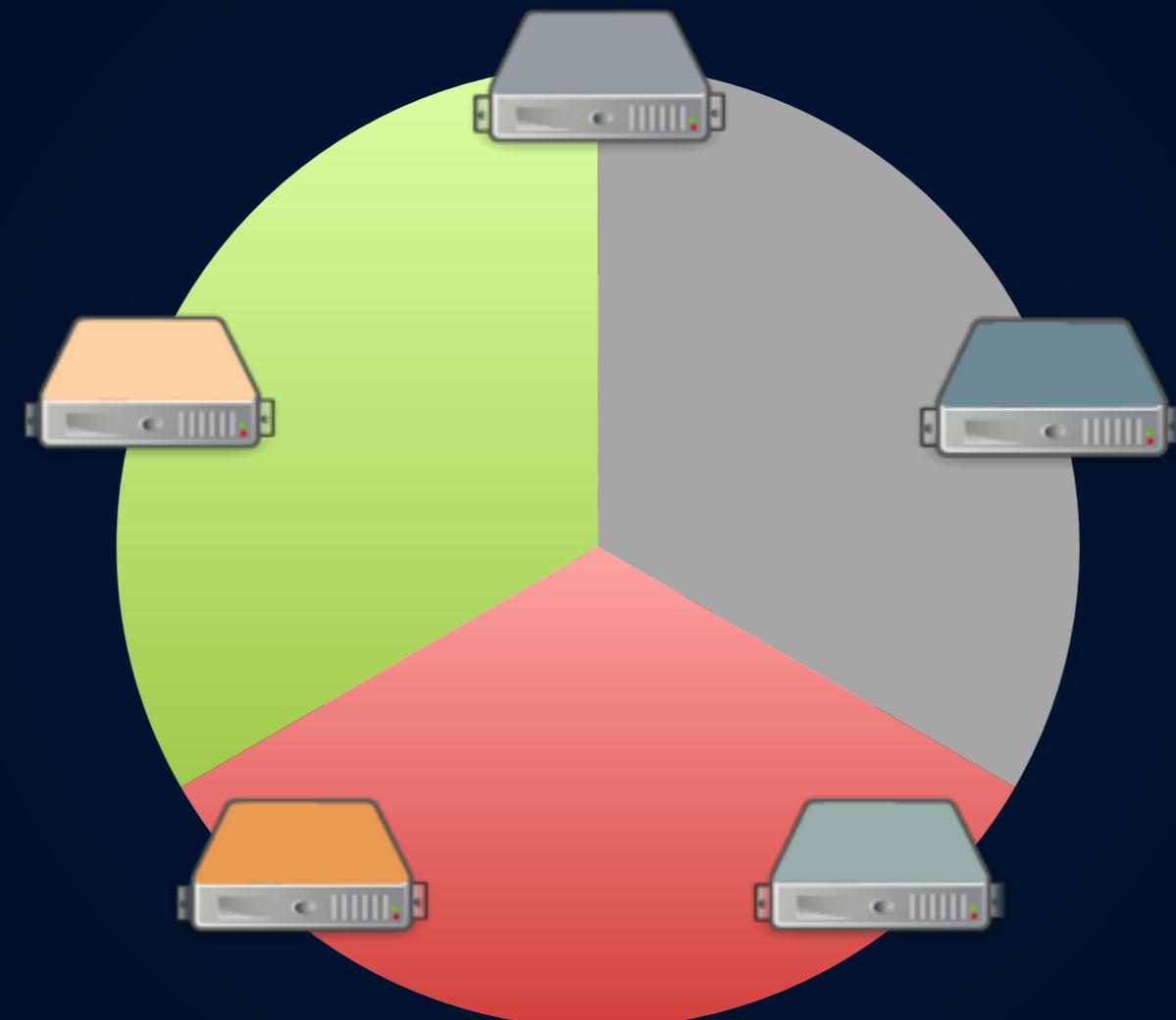
- ✓ High Availability
- ✓ Data Safety
- ✓ Scalability
- ? Range Scans or TTL to limit data

# riak

Key-Value model  
Objects in  
Buckets



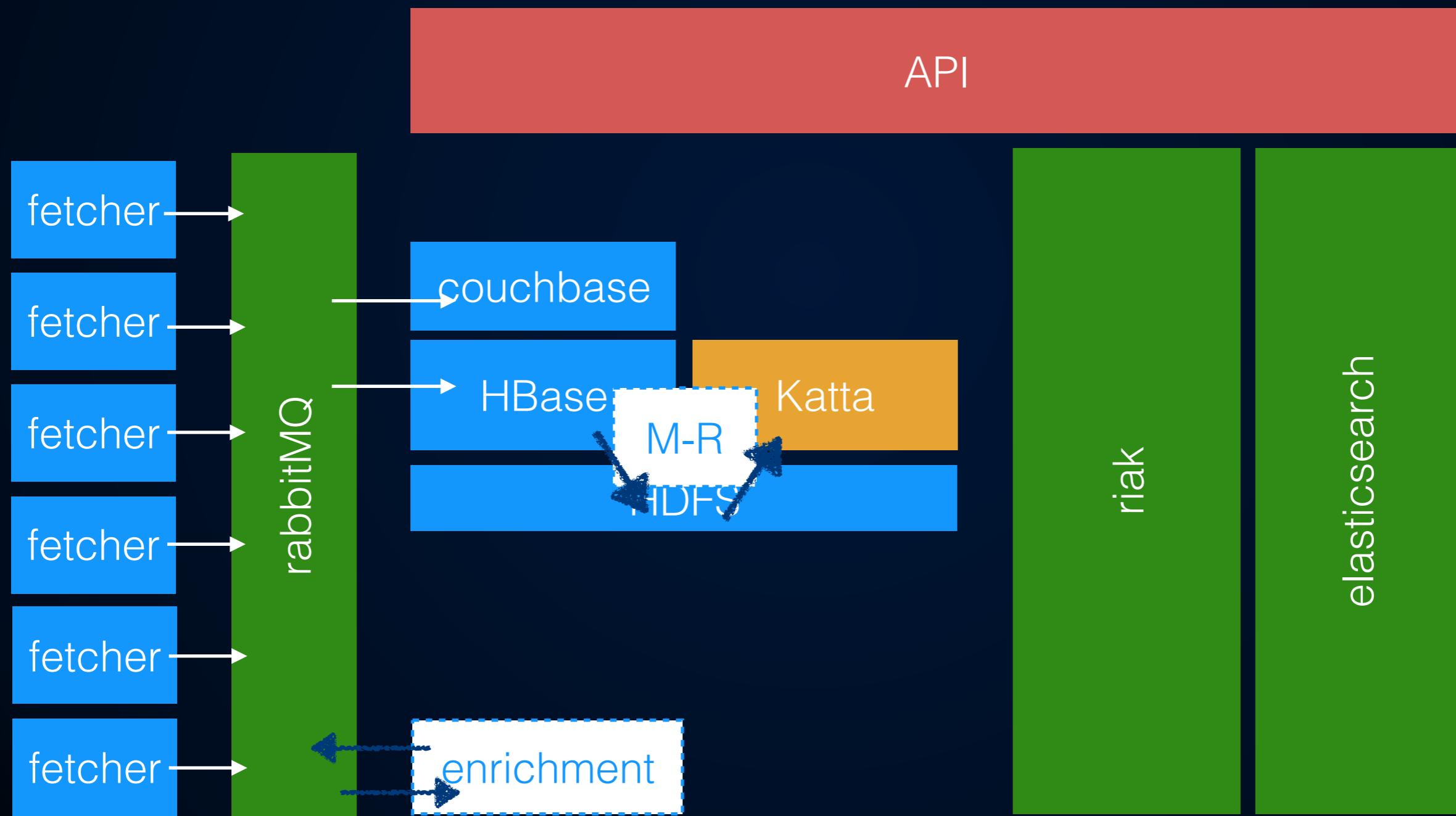




“While there are mechanisms such as Vector Clocks to help deal with these issues, if your application requires the kind of strong consistency found in ACID systems, Riak may not be a good fit.”

– *riak documentation*

# m|buzz version 2.6



# Commodity Hardware

- HP DL360 G1
- 4c CPU
- 32GB RAM
- 1x 2TB 7.2k spinner
- ...37 of those.

# Configuration

- levelDB
- erlang VM
- Map-Reduce

# Future-Proof

Setting the ring-size to...

2048.

“2048 is definitely the upper bound of what we recommend, but with the right amount of machines, this can work.”

– *riak mailing list*

“Are you guys insane? We didn’t even know that was possible!!”

– *riak mailing list re-niced*

# Numbers

- 37 nodes
- 55,000 writes per minute
- 350,000 reads per minute
- 1.8TB data per node

Hey, wait.  
A good three weeks?

# Let's do it.

parallel reads  
gather numbers  
stability  
speed

riak is slow.  
but consistent,  
and massively parallel.

riak is slow.

riak is not as fast as a memory-only  
key-value store.

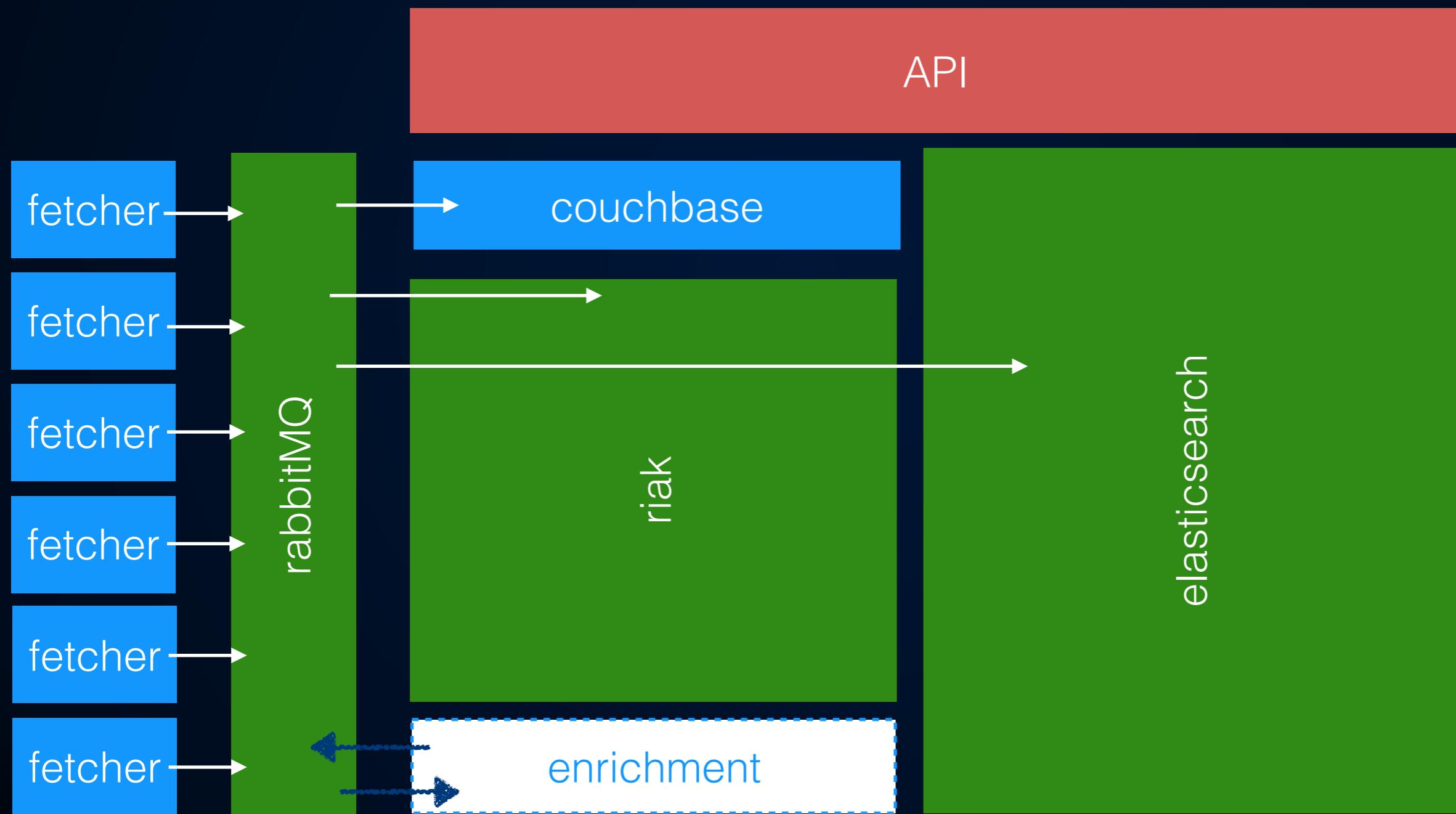
stability over  
speed.

# stability

- availability during
  - node failures
  - upgrades
  - configuration updates

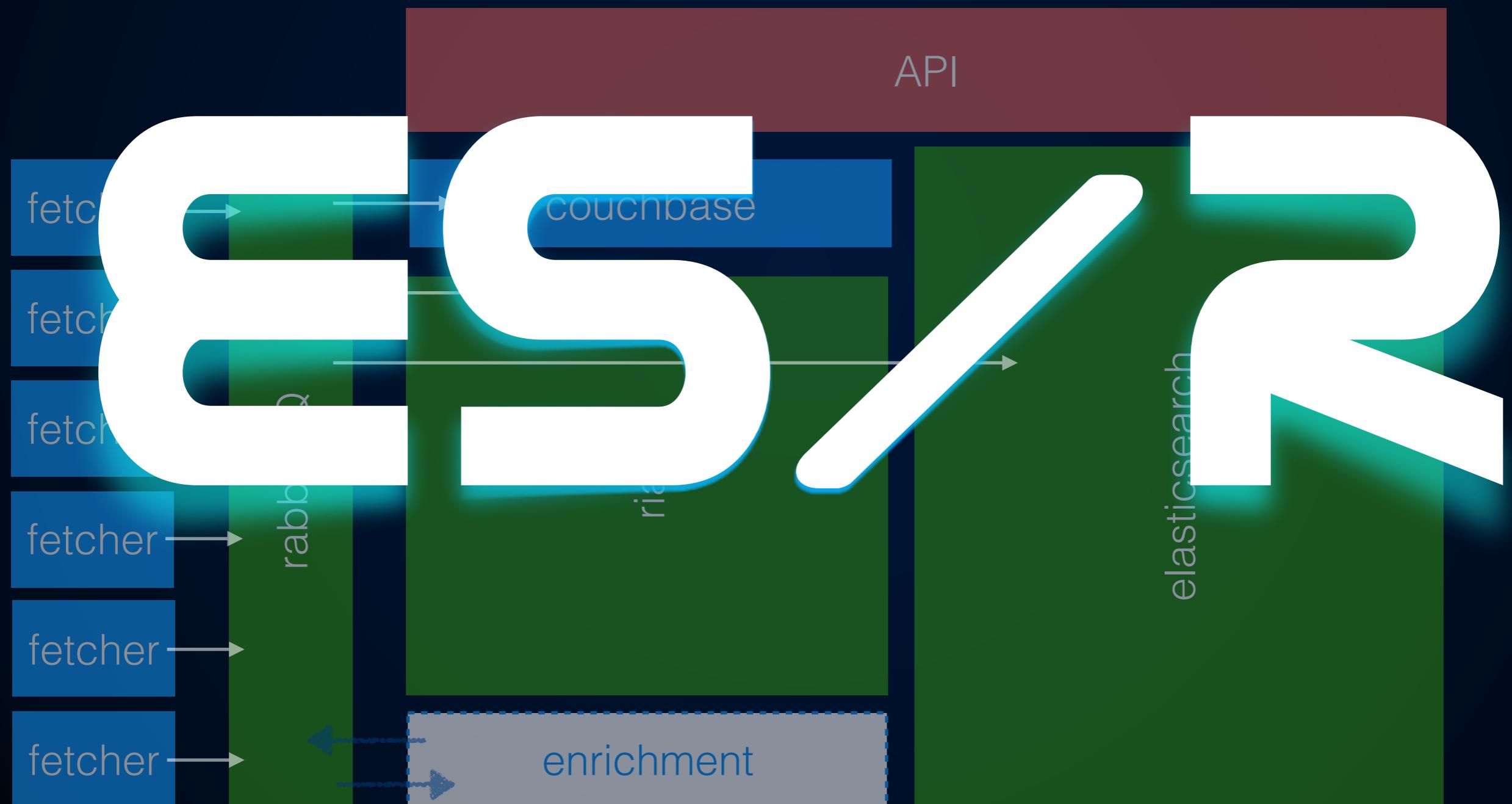
Search  
pesquisa

# m|buzz version 3



# Naming Things

## m|BUZZ version 3



# Putting it live

10:20 AM

**Adarsh T.** checked out few accounts looks good



**Stian G.** performing very well indeed



**Adarsh T.** true :-(



10:25 AM

**Sebastian G.** Ok. So here's the truth: for the past hour, we've been running of ES/R instead of the 2.2 API.



There is some side effects. Example given: I've got posts in my campaign that are only 2 minutes old.



:)



**Matthias R.** Tststs... sneaky bastard ;-)



**Sebastian G.** I wanted people to test unbiased. :)



# Still live

- 58,000,000,000 key-value pairs written
- 365,000,000,000 reads
- 3.5ms mean (8ms 95th, 35ms 99th, 2s 100)

# Monitoring

- Input “valves”
- throughput of any intermediate processing step
- output valves
- distribution of data across cluster
- handovers of data within the cluster

# Dashboards And APIs.

localhost Hadoop Map/Reduce Administration

localhost:8088/joincluster.jsp

running tasks  
missing tasks

## localhost Hadoop Map/Reduce Administration

State: INITIALIZING  
Started: Fri Jun 25 14:34:57 PDT 2010  
Version: 0.20.2-dev, r  
Compiled: Fri Oct 23 21:54:18 PDT 2009 by jhem  
Identifier: 201006251434

Cluster Summary (Heap Size is 81.06 MB/995.88 MB)

Maps	Reduces	Total Submissions	Nodes	Map Task Capacity	Reduce Task Capacity	Avg. Tasks/Node	Blacklisted Nodes
0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0

Scheduling Information

Queue Name	Scheduling Information
default	N/A

Filter (JobId, Priority, User, Name)  
Example: 'user:uin:22007' will filter by 'uin:22007' only in the user field and '22007' in all fields

Running Jobs

none

Completed Jobs

# Master: ip-10-110-247-97.ec2.internal:60000

[Local logs](#), [Thread Dump](#), [Log Level](#), [Debug dump](#)

## Attributes

Attribute Name	Value	Description
HBase Version	0.92.0, r1234893	HBase version and revision
HBase Compiled	Sun Feb 19 02:45:09 PST 2012, gkesavan	When HBase version was compiled
Hadoop Version	1.0.1, r1243785	Hadoop version and revision
Hadoop Compiled	Tue Feb 14 08:12:14 UTC 2012, hortonfo	When Hadoop version was compiled
HBase Root Directory	hdfs://ip-10-140-6-87.ec2.internal:8020/apps/hbase/data	Location of HBase home directory
HBase Cluster ID	b3d30236-4f60-4a39-ac40-76d5ffacb455	Unique identifier generated for each cluster
Load average	◆	Average number of regions per region server
Zookeeper Quorum	domU-12-31-39:0A-06-14.compute-1.internal:2181,ip-10-46-197-123.ec2.internal:2181	Addresses of all registered ZK servers
Coprocessors	[]	Coprocessors currently loaded for this table
HMMaster Start Time	Tue Feb 21 19:18:24 EST 2012	Date stamp of when this HMMaster started
HMMaster Active Time	Tue Feb 21 19:18:24 EST 2012	Date stamp of when this HMMaster became active

## Tasks

[Show All Monitored Tasks](#) [Show non-RPC Tasks](#) [Show All RPC Handler Tasks](#) [Show Active RPC Calls](#) [Show Client Operations](#) [View as JSON](#)

Start Time	Description
Tue Feb 21 19:27:10 EST 2012	Doing distributed log split in [hdfs://ip-10-140-6-87.ec2.internal:8020/apps/hbase/data/Jogs /ip-10-190-187-12.ec2.internal,60020,1329103193864-splitting]

## Tables

Catalog Table	Description
-ROOT-	The -ROOT- table holds references to all .META. regions.
META.	The .META. table holds references to all User Table regions

1 table(s) in set. [\[Details\]](#)

User Table	Description
usertable	{NAME => 'usertable', FAMILIES => [{NAME => 'Family', MIN VERSIONS => '0'}]}

RabbitMQ Management

User: Administrator  
RabbitMQ 3.1.5, Erlang R14B04 Log out

Overview Connections Channels Exchanges **Queues** Admin Virtual host: /

## Queue pipeline

Queued messages (chart: last minute) (?)

Ready: 0 msg  
Unacknowledged: 8 msg  
Total: 8 msg

Message rates (chart: last minute) (?)

Publish: 4.8/s  
Deliver: 5.4/s  
Redelivered: 0.00/s  
Acknowledge: 5.6/s

Details

Parameters	x-message-ttl: 600000 x-dead-letter-routing-key: pipeline x-dead-letter-exchange: com.meltwater.enrichment.deadletter durable: true	Status	Active
Policy	ha	Consumers	48
Exclusive owner	None	Memory	1.1MB
		Virtual host	/
		Node	rabbit@mag-fh-queue02
		Mirrors	rabbit@mag-fh-queue01

Message rates breakdown

Consumers

Bindings

From	Routing key	Arguments
(Default exchange binding)	#	
com.meltwater.enrichment	#	<button>Bind</button>

Couchbase Console (1.8.1)

https://couchbase.ops.melt.no/index.html?sec=analytics&statsHostname=10.31.0.192:8091

Reader

About · Sign Out

# COUCHBASE

MONITOR

DATA BUCKETS: default On 10.31.0.192

Minute Hour Day Week Month Year Last 1 minute

ops per second

The chart displays a fluctuating line representing operations per second over a one-minute period. The y-axis ranges from 0 to 100, and the x-axis shows time points from 10:02:30pm to 10:03:15pm. The data shows several peaks, notably around 75, 85, and 95 ops/sec, with many smaller fluctuations in between.

MANAGE

Data Buckets Server Nodes Settings

SUPPORT

Documentation Support Forums

▼ SERVER RESOURCES

151K swap usage 6.71G free RAM 1.25 CPU utilization % 39 connections

▼ SUMMARY

7 ops per second 0 cache miss ratio 0 creates per sec. 0 updates per sec.  
0 disk reads per sec. 0 temp OOM per sec. 0 gets per sec. 7 sets per sec.  
0 CAS ops per sec. 0 deletes per sec. 23.1M items 3.77K disk write queue  
21.5G memory used 22.8G high water mark 18.2G low water mark 0 disk update time

▼ VBUCKET RESOURCES

ACTIVE REPLICA PENDING TOTAL

# riak control

## Ring View

Filter: All Owners

#	Owner Node	KV	Pipe	Search
0	riak@riak3.ack	Active	Active	Fallback
1	riak@riak1.ack	Active	Active	Fallback
2	riak@riak2.ack	Active	Active	Fallback
3	riak@riak4.ack	Active	Active	Fallback
4	riak@riak3.ack	Active	Active	Fallback
5	riak@riak1.ack	Active	Active	Fallback
6	riak@riak2.ack	Active	Active	Fallback
7	riak@riak4.ack	Active	Active	Fallback
8	riak@riak3.ack	Active	Active	Fallback
9	riak@riak1.ack	Active	Active	Fallback
10	riak@riak2.ack	Active	Active	Fallback

# necessary but not sufficient

dashboard

API

fool-safe performance configuration  
good documentation

## Dashboards | Buzz

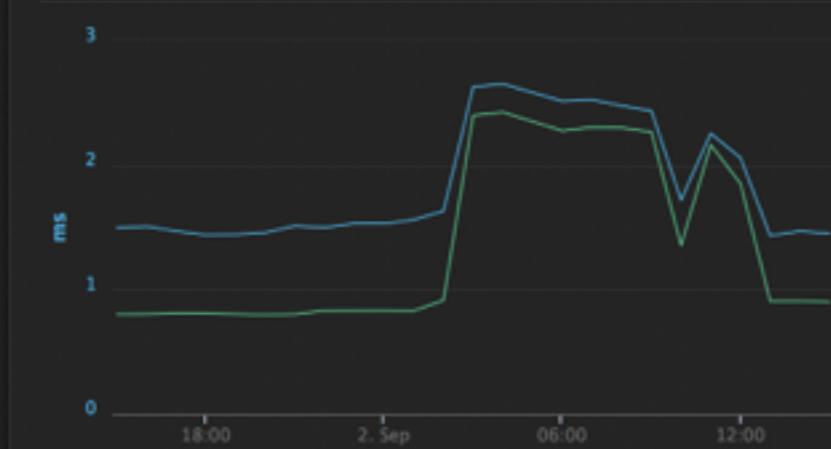
24 SEP 01, 14 02:50 PM - SEP 02, 14 03:50 PM

UTC

Riak GET/PUT count



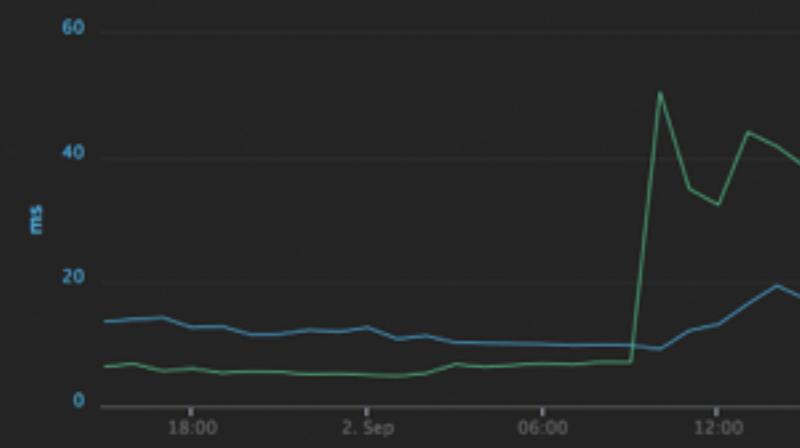
Riak GET/PUT latency (median)



Riak GET/PUT latency (mean)



Riak GET/PUT latency (95th)



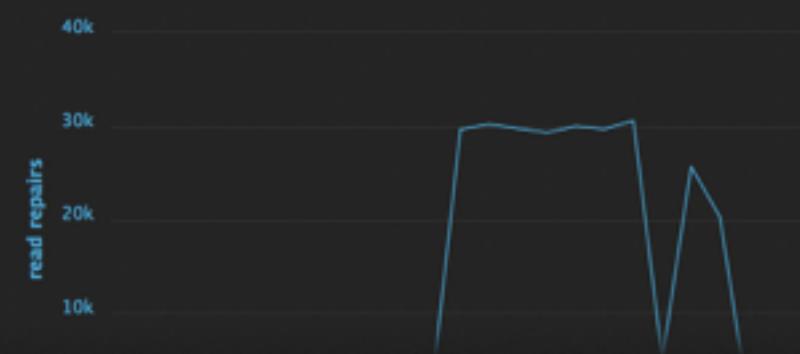
Riak GET/PUT latency (99th)



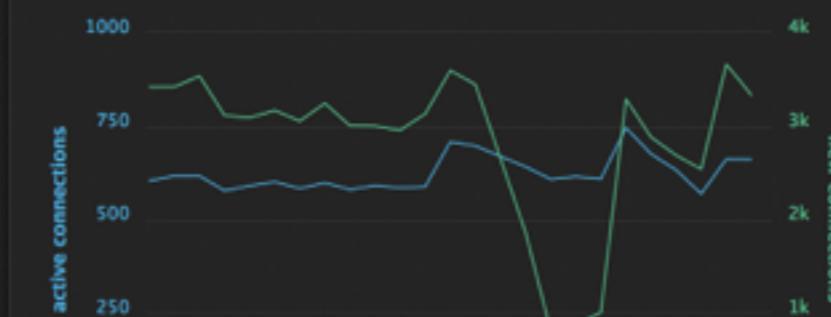
Riak GET/PUT latency (100th)



Riak total read repairs



Riak connections



Fetcher disk caches

THERE IS NO DATA FOR THIS TIME INTERVAL.

# Summary

## of the 2011 US election

# Buzzwords

Be amazed.

Doubt.

Evaluate.

# Hardware

There is no such thing as  
“too much RAM”

Scale  
You'll need it.

# Configuration Management

who's the master of puppet?

# Monitoring

looks exciting even when things work.

# Time.

Operational Stability beats Features  
when it comes to **Big A Lot of Data.**

# Thank you.

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slides w/ notes on [github.com/geidies/slides](https://github.com/geidies/slides)