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Dr. Flavio Villanustre leads HPCC Systems®, and is also VP, Technology for LexisNexis Risk Solutions. In this position, he is responsible for Information and Physical Security, overall HPCC Systems® platform strategy and new product development.

Flavio has been involved with the open source community for over 15 years through multiple initiatives. Some of these include founding the first Linux User Group in Buenos Aires (BALUG) in 1994, releasing several pieces of software under different open source licenses, and evangelizing open source to different audiences through conferences, training and education. Prior to Flavio's technology career, he was a neurosurgeon.



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Fujio Turner is a Couchbase Solutions Architect for Mobile and he specializes in high-speed data platforms. He began his IT career as a LAMP stack developer and soon became a MySQL developer and DBA. His attention turned to the high availability NoSQL systems of CouchDB/Couchbase in 2010.

With his personal philosophy, "In the future, there will be more data, not less," HPCC Systems was a perfect fit for him. In his spare time, Fujio evangelizes HPCC Systems in the Silicon Valley area with the Meetup group, "Exabyte Big Data – HPCC Systems – Silicon Valley." His list of current and future projects include 3DJSON and Virtual Reality and Big Data.

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Jacob Pellock is a Sr. Director with LexisNexis Risk Solutions where he is responsible for supporting cross departmental Business Intelligence. He has been working at LexisNexis for 14 years building solutions to support analytics across multiple industries. He is particularly specialized in utilizing Big Data capabilities to support analysis and deployment of analytics capabilities into end user and system workflows.



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Roger is a Senior Architect working with John Holt on the Machine Learning Team. He recently joined HPCC Systems from CA Technologies. Roger has been involved in the implementation and utilization of machine learning and AI techniques for many years, and he has over 20 patents in diverse areas of software technology.

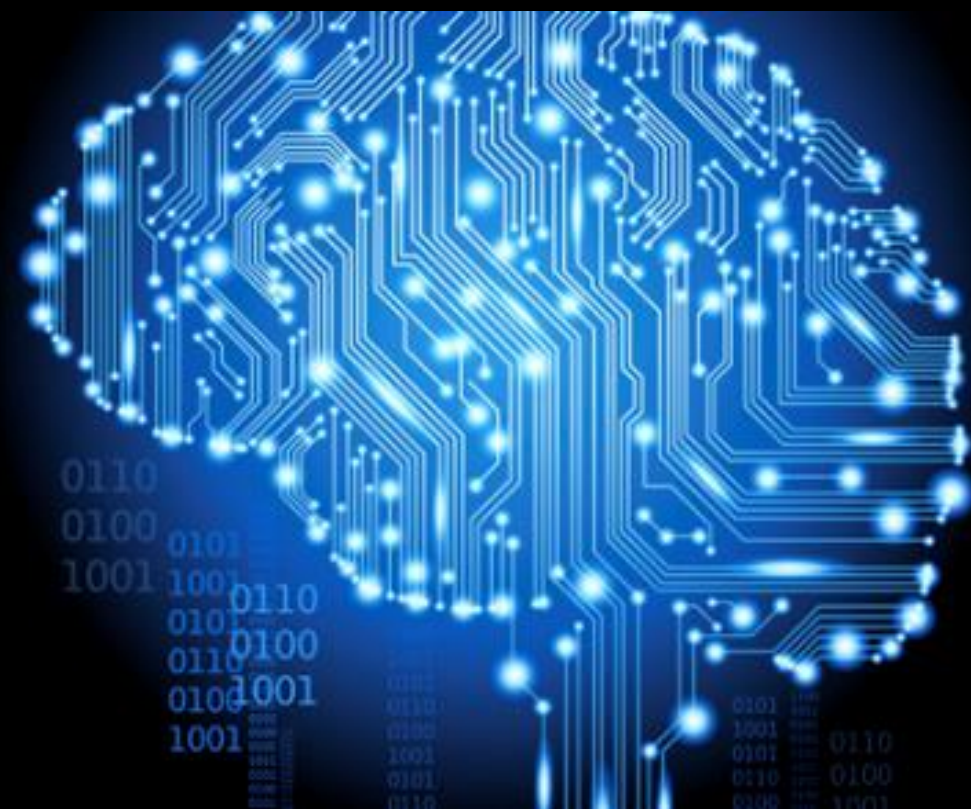


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Richard Taylor has worked with the HPCC Systems technology platform and the ECL programming language for over 15 years. He is the original author of the ECL documentation, developer and designer of the HPCC Systems Training Courses, and is the Chief Instructor for all classroom and remote based training.



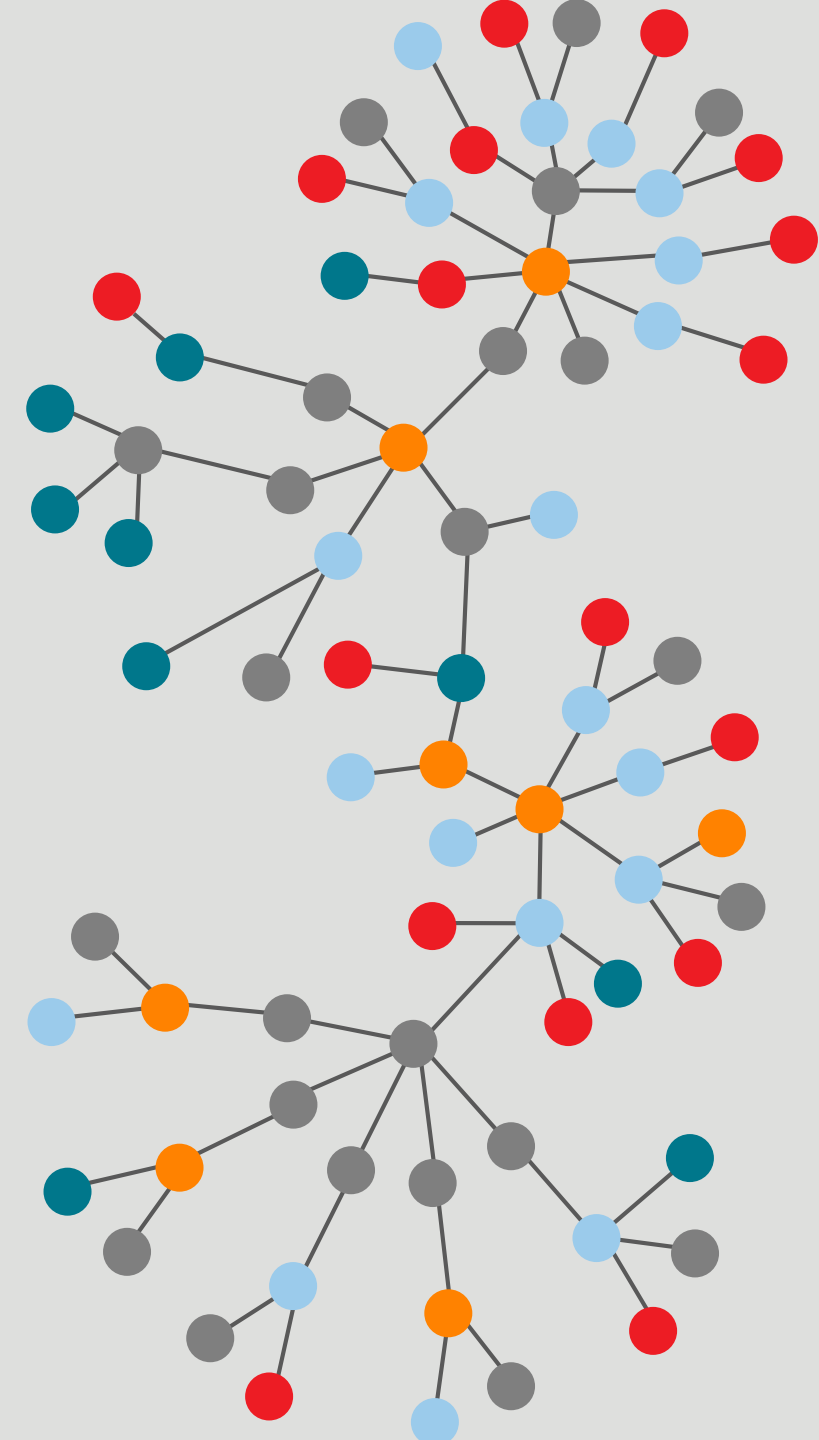
Mobile/IoT & HPCC Systems

Fujio Turner
Solutions Architect, Couchbase



Quick poll: Do you see mobile data
being a bigger part of your business?

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Why Should We Care



MOBILE

- User Primary Information Hub
- User Primary Social Hub
- User Secondary Purchasing Hub

IOT

- Better Predict Systems Behaviors
Micro / Macro
- Safety
 - Automation
 - Customer View

Problems

- Syncing Data
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What People are Saying and Asking



“My data is scattered.”

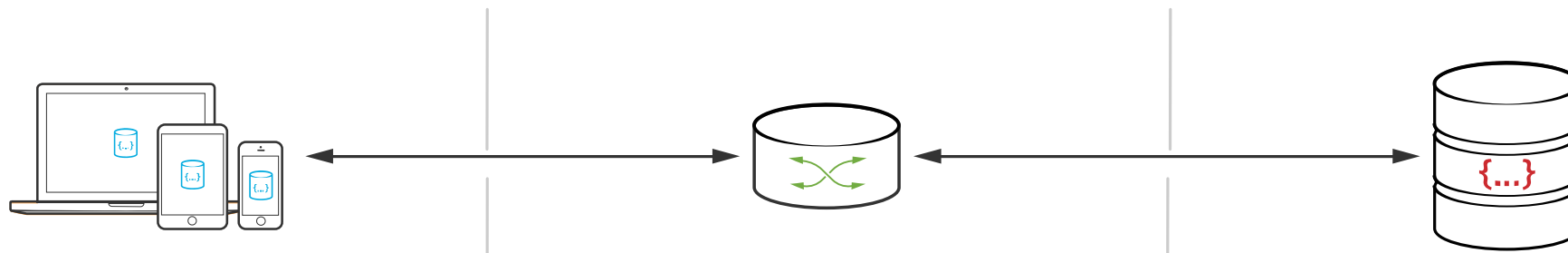
“Personalization / Customization.”

“My data needs to do more for me.”

“Move faster , More Agile with Data”

- Consolidate Data
- HPCC Systems Machine Learning
- Easy Analytics
- Couchbase / HPCC Systems

Couchbase Mobile: The Complete Mobile Database Solution



Couchbase Lite

Sync Gateway

Couchbase Server

EMBEDDED DATABASE

SYNCHRONIZATION

DATABASE SERVER

Lightweight Local
NoSQL Database

- *CRUD*
- *Query Functionality*

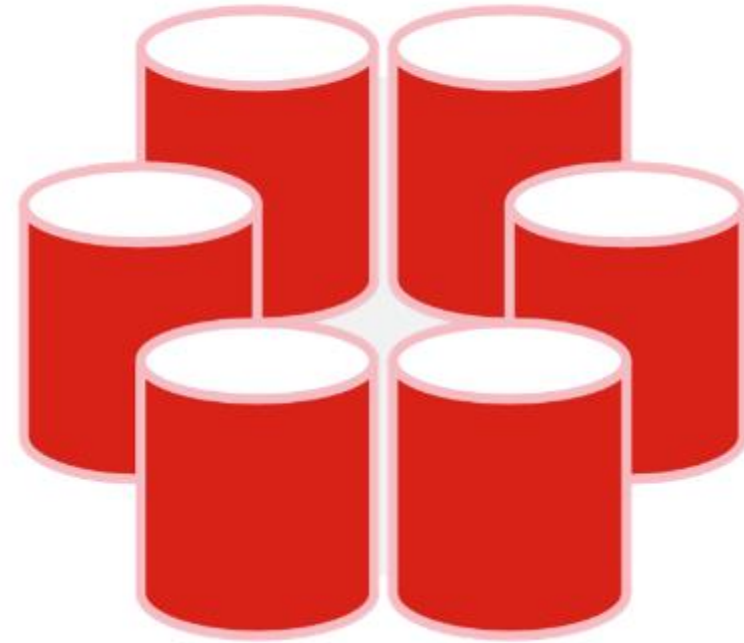
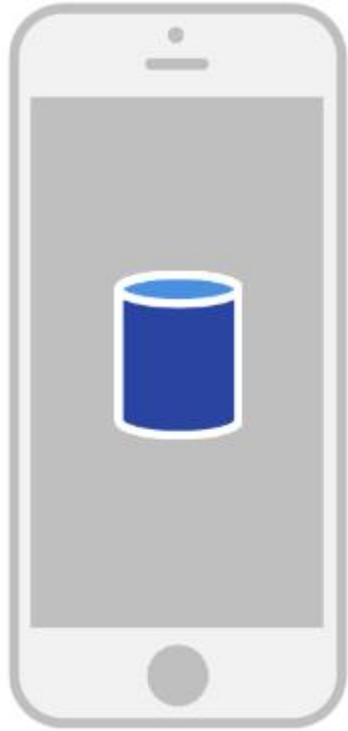
Secure Web Gateway

- *REST*
- *Sync*
- *Stream Batch*
- *Event APIs*

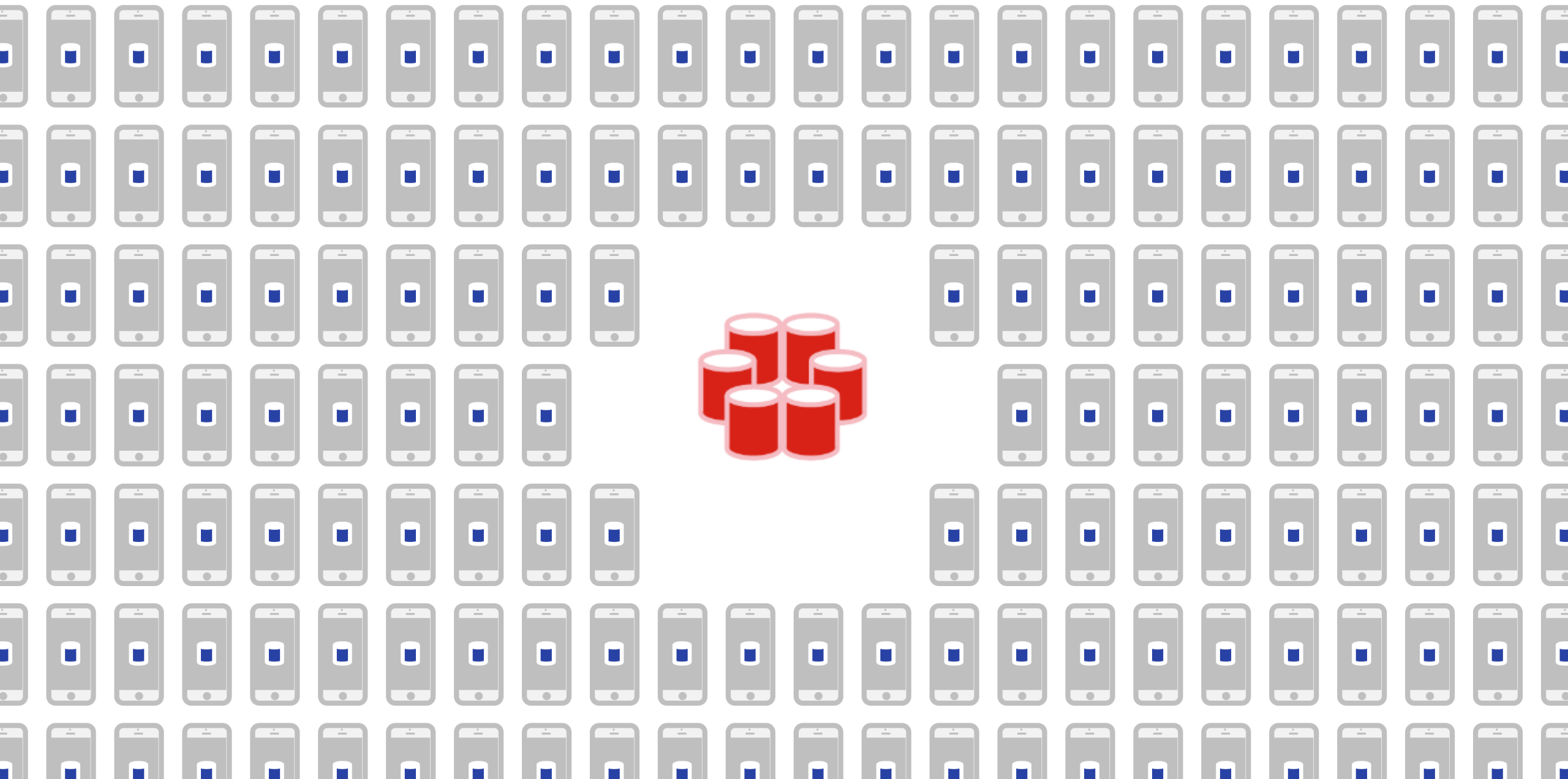
NoSQL Database

- *Highly Scalable*
- *Highly Available*
- *High Performance*
- *Key/Value & SQL++*

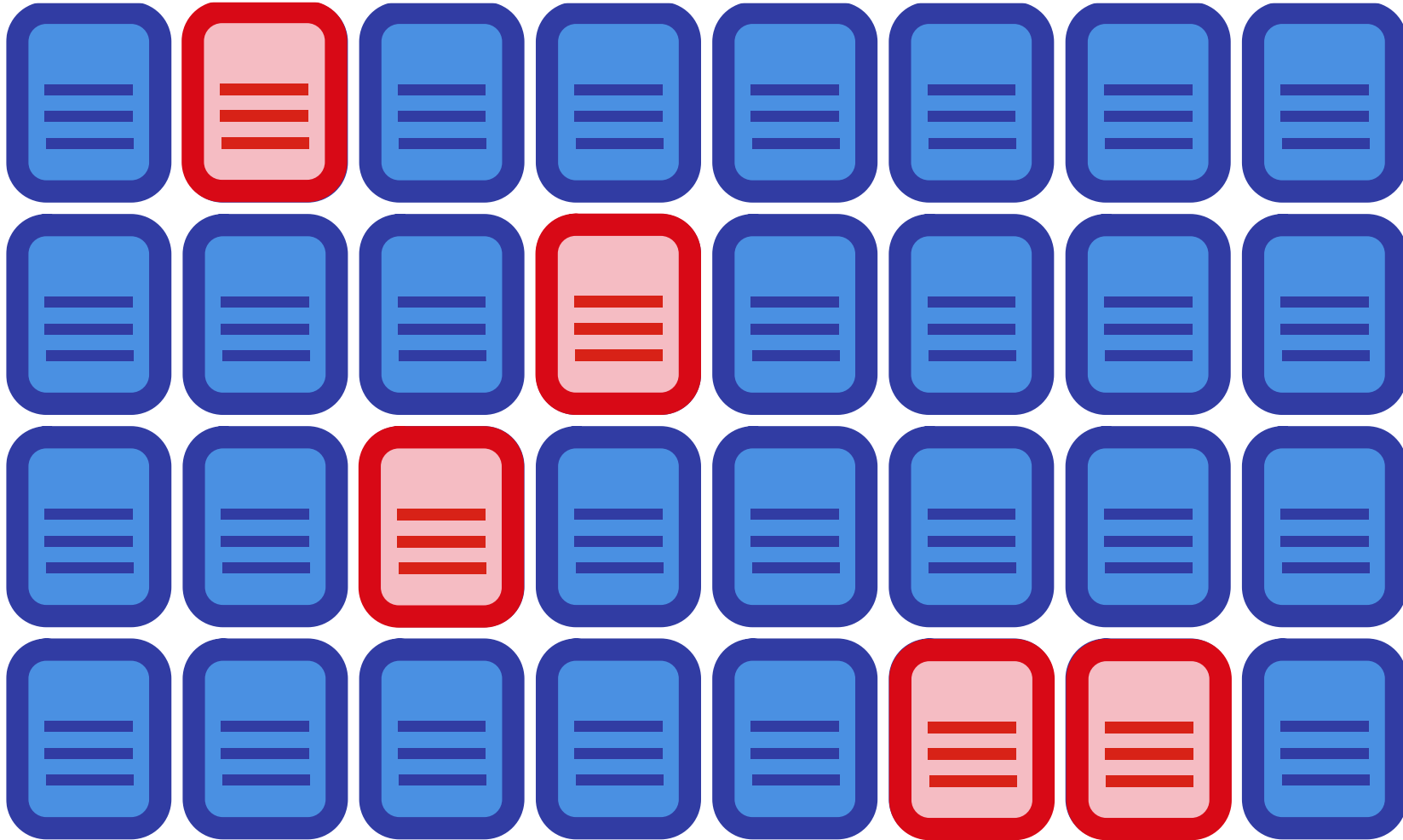
Syncing a Single User's Database is *EASY*



What About Syncing x,000,000?



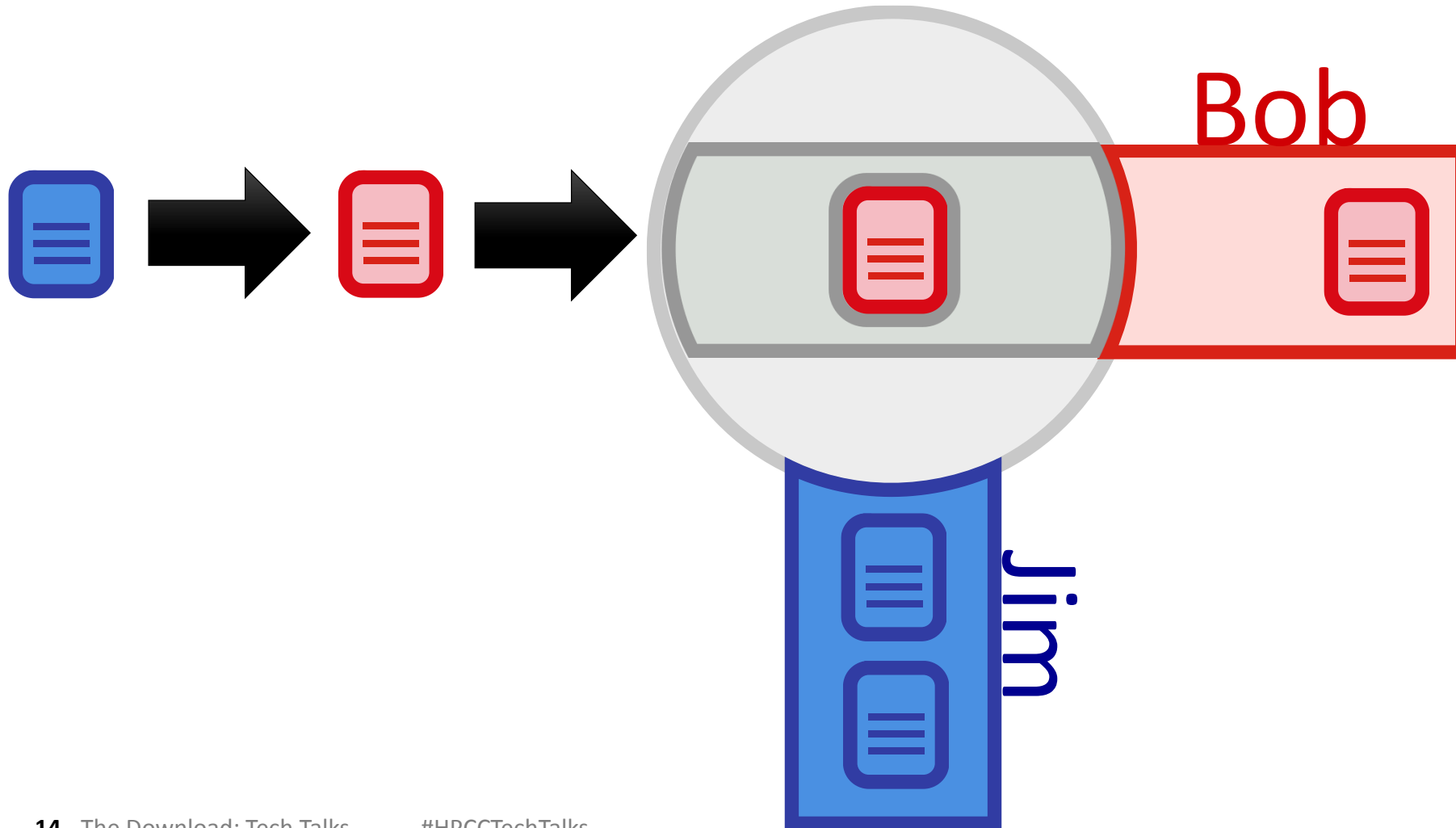
`doc.owner == 'bob'`



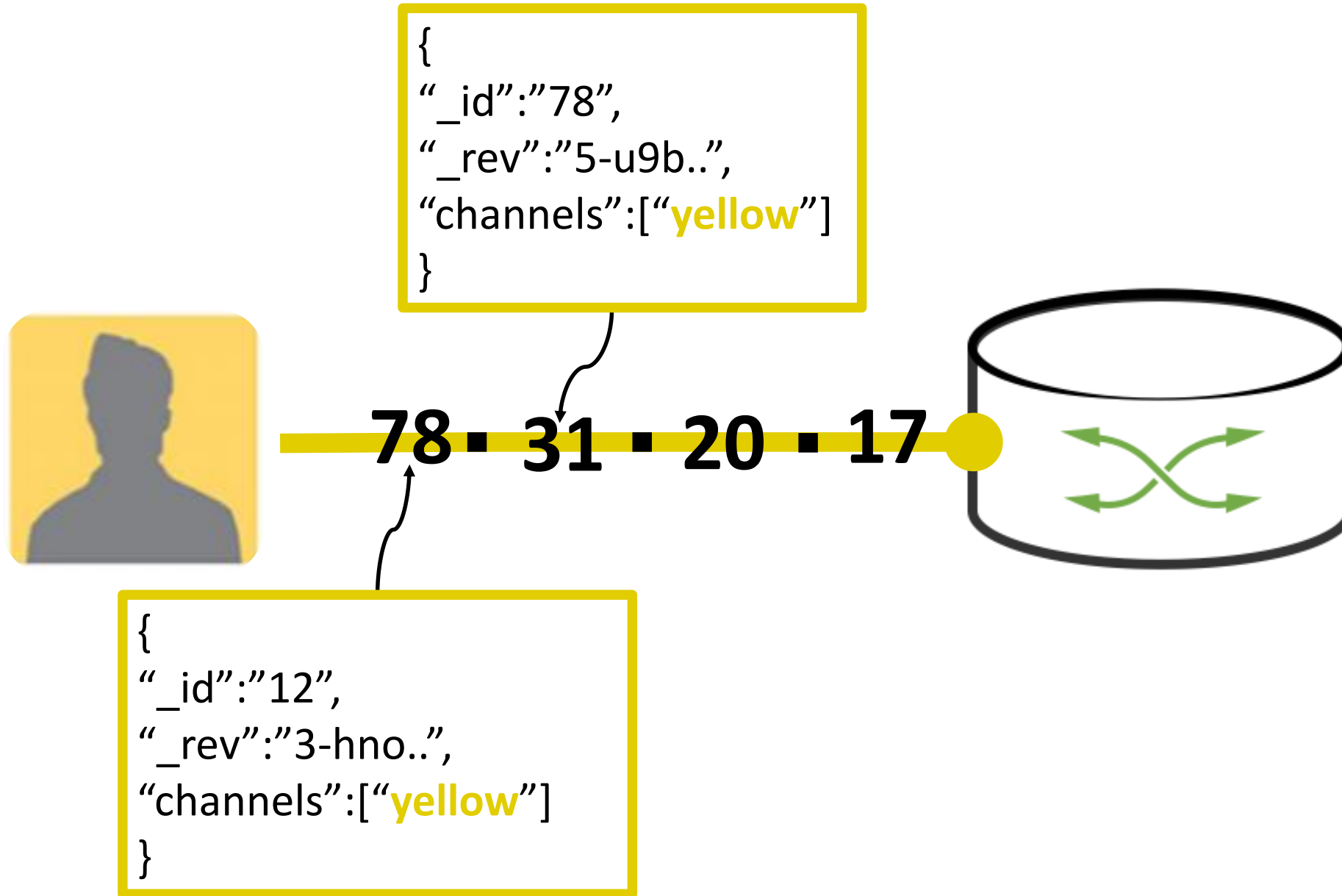
Partition Data During Writes Instead



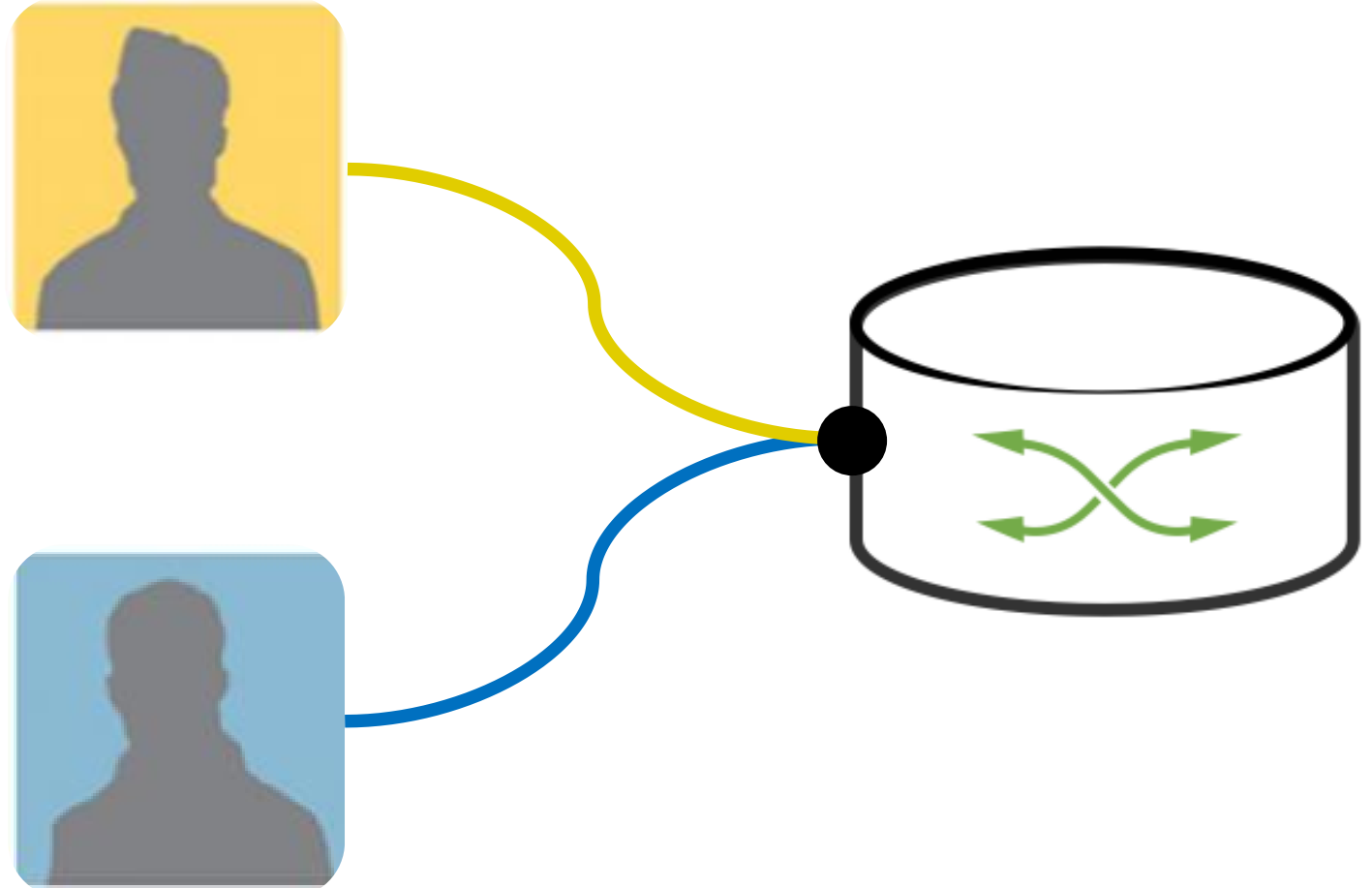
`channel(doc.owner)`



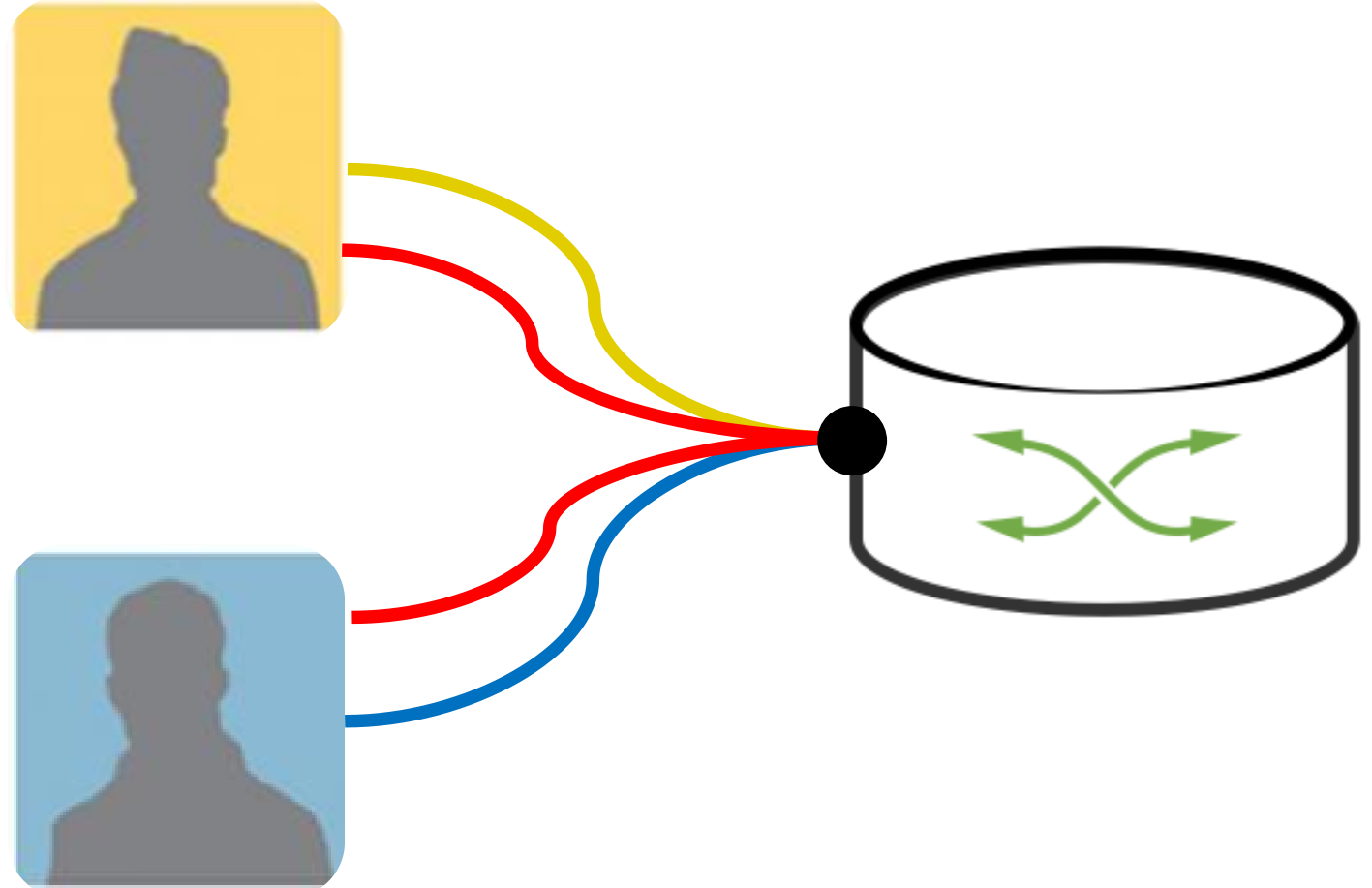
Sync Gateway & Channels – Pull Feed



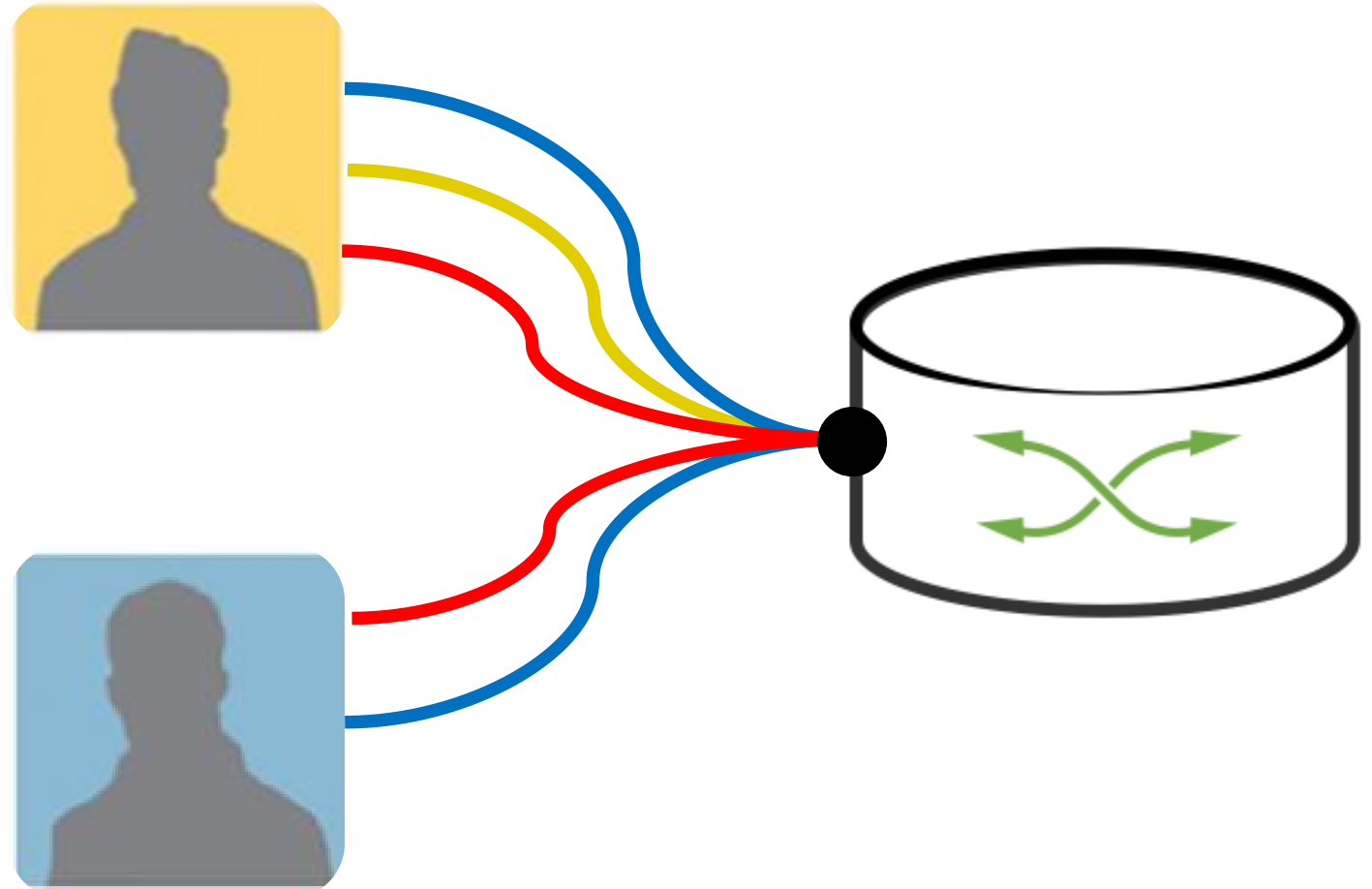
- Private



- Private
- Public / Group



- Private
- Public / Group
- Share Private



Sync Gateway & Channels – Multi-channel Feed

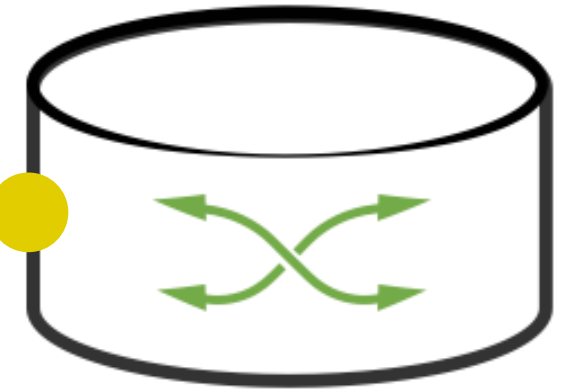


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  "_rev": "1-7tpb..",
  "channels": ["blue"]
}
```

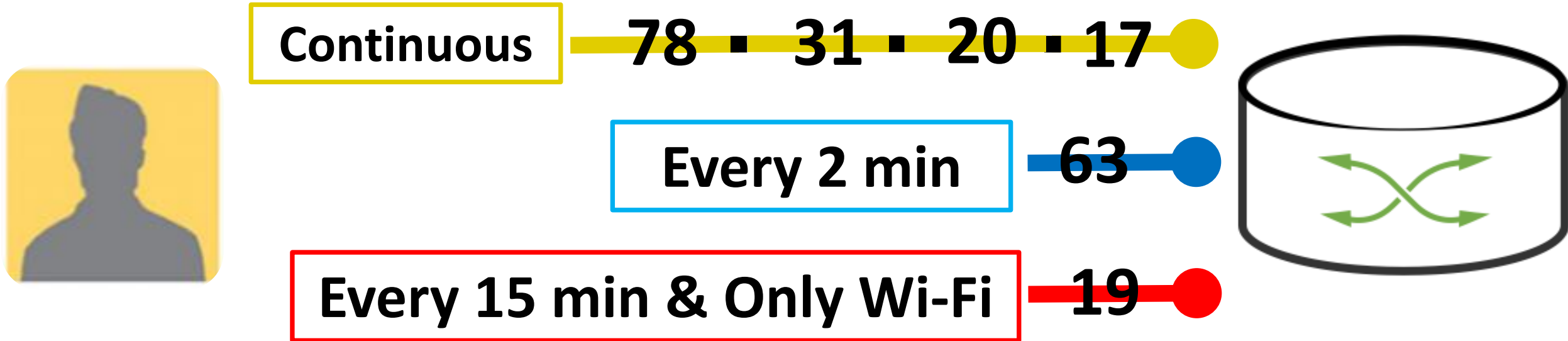
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  "_rev": "3-hno..",
  "channels": ["yellow"]
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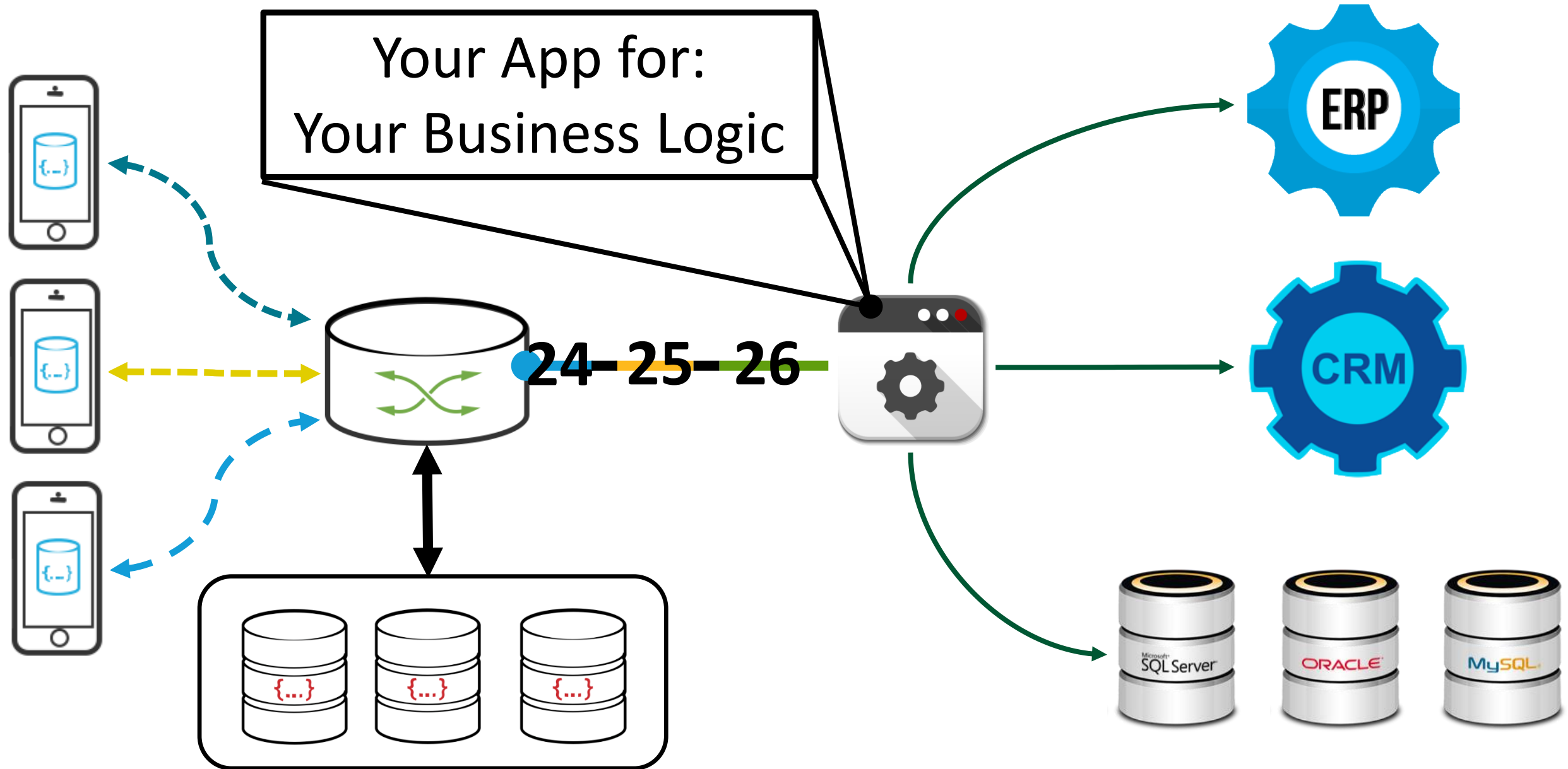
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  "channels": ["red"]
}
```



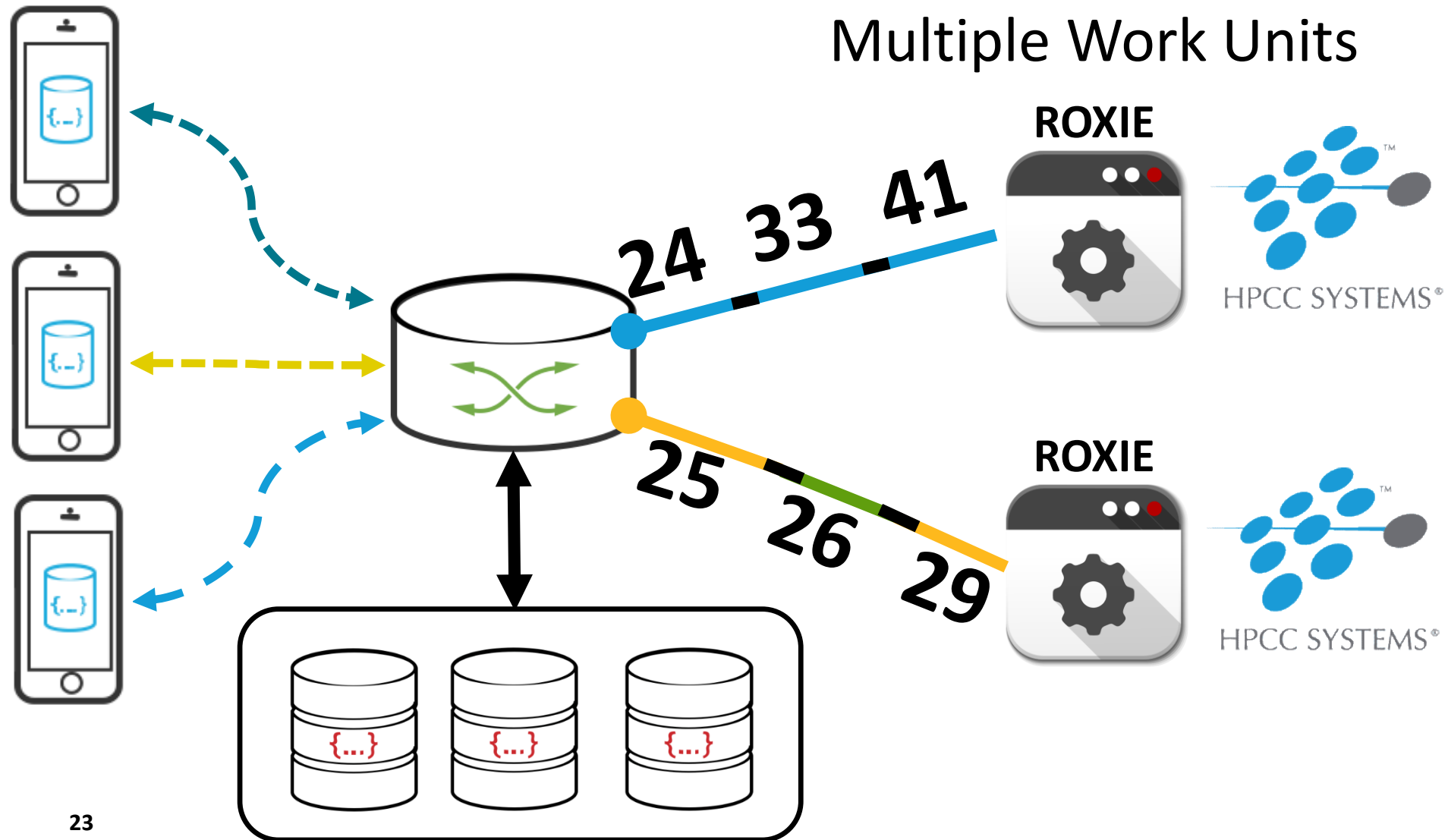
Sync Gateway & Channels – *Filtered Feed by Channel(s)*



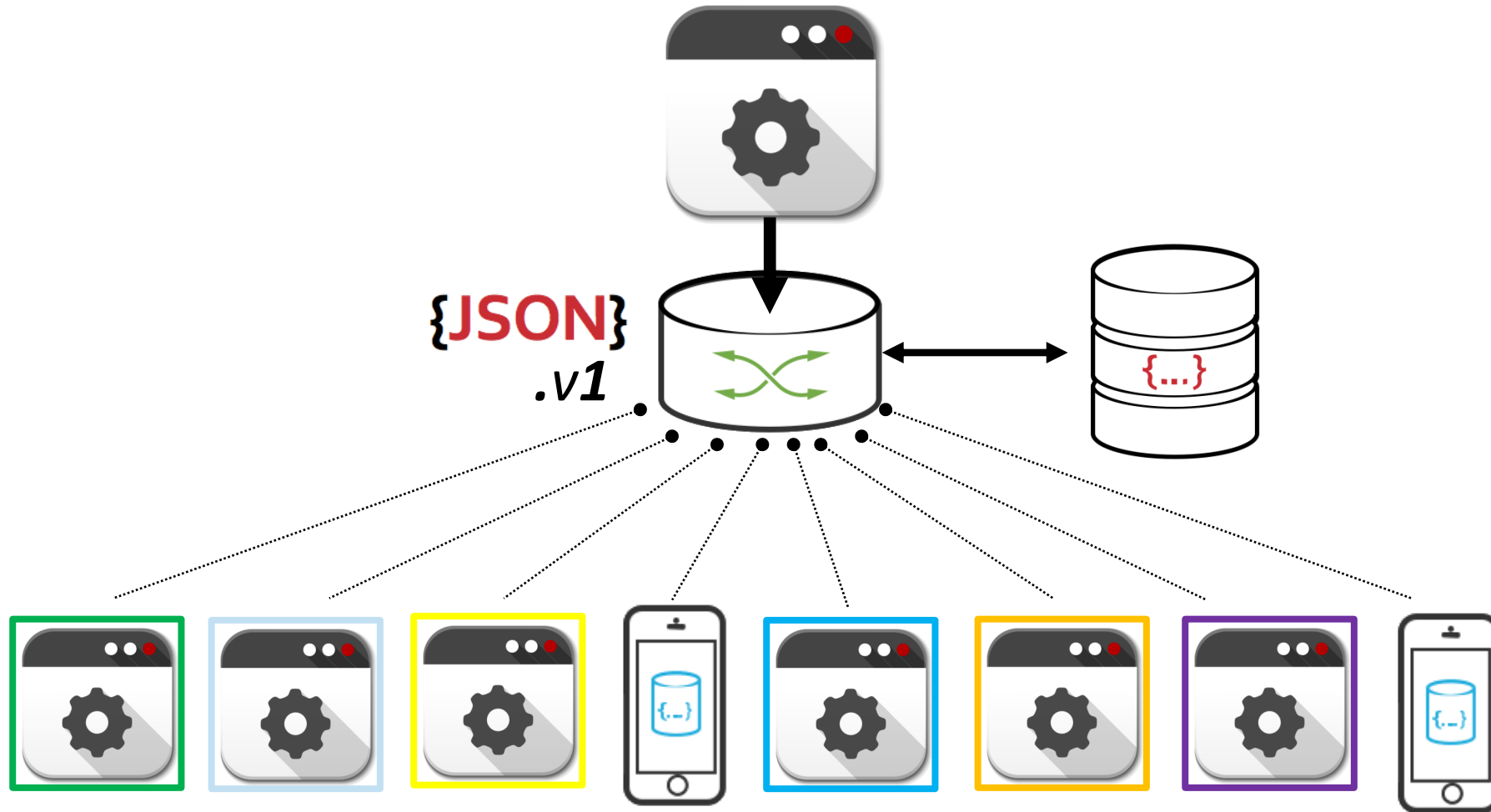
Couchbase Mobile to My Current Systems



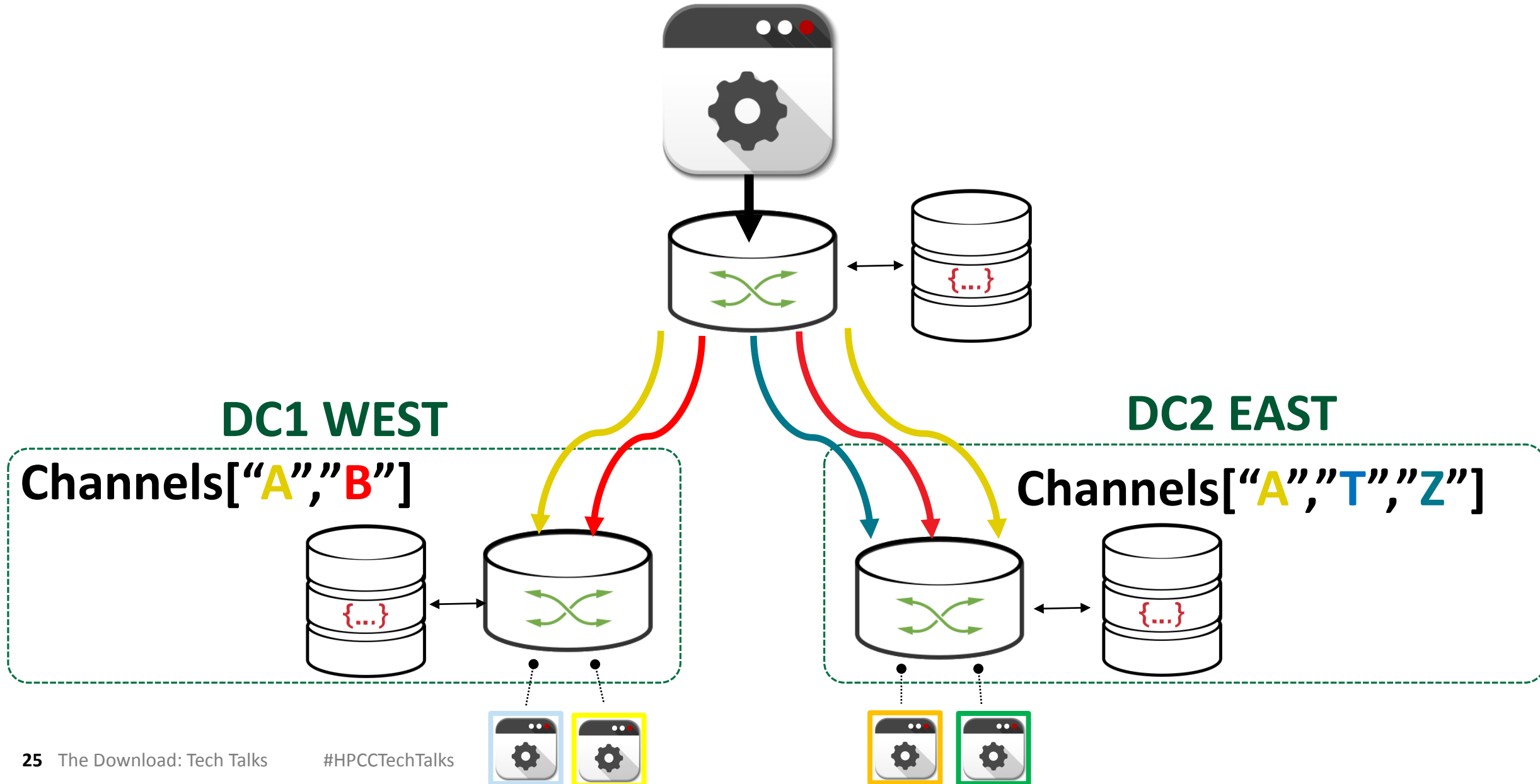
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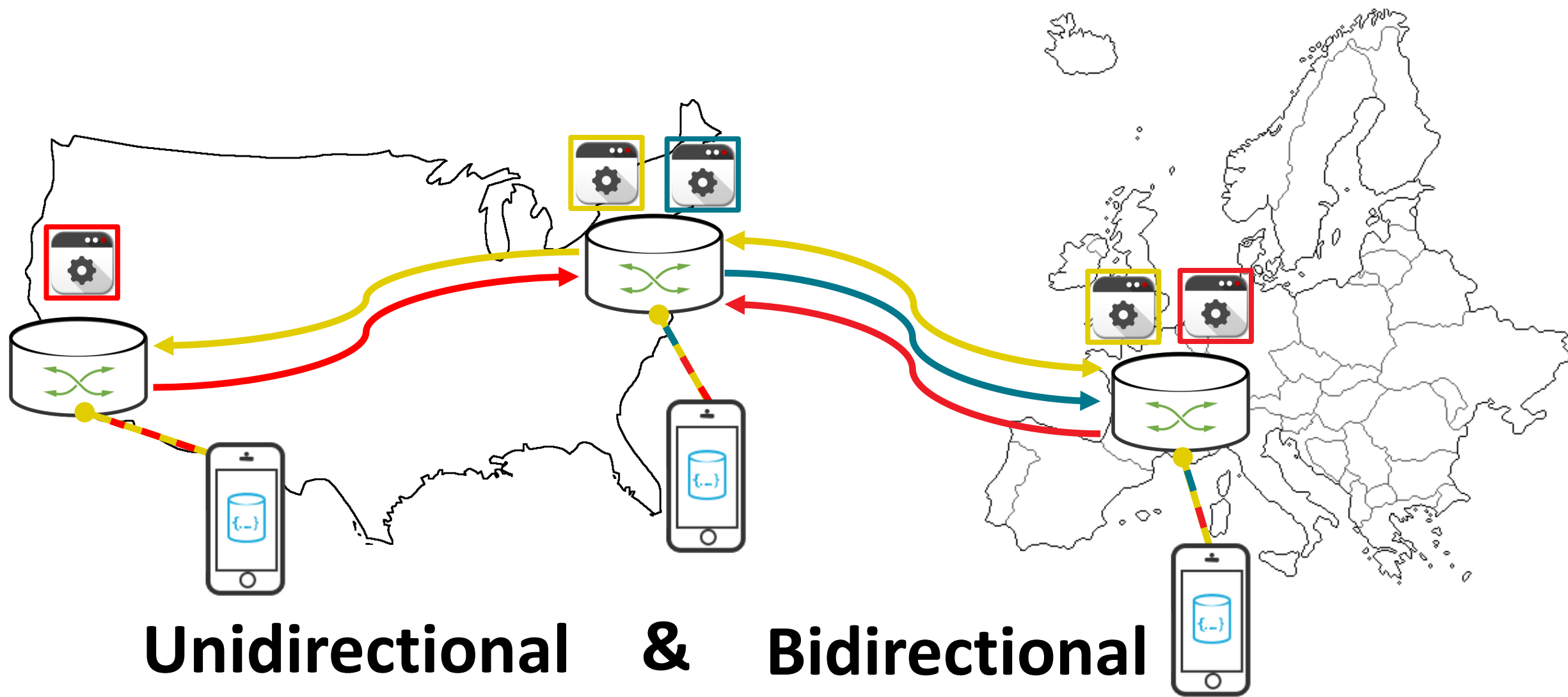
Sync Gateway – the “Truth”



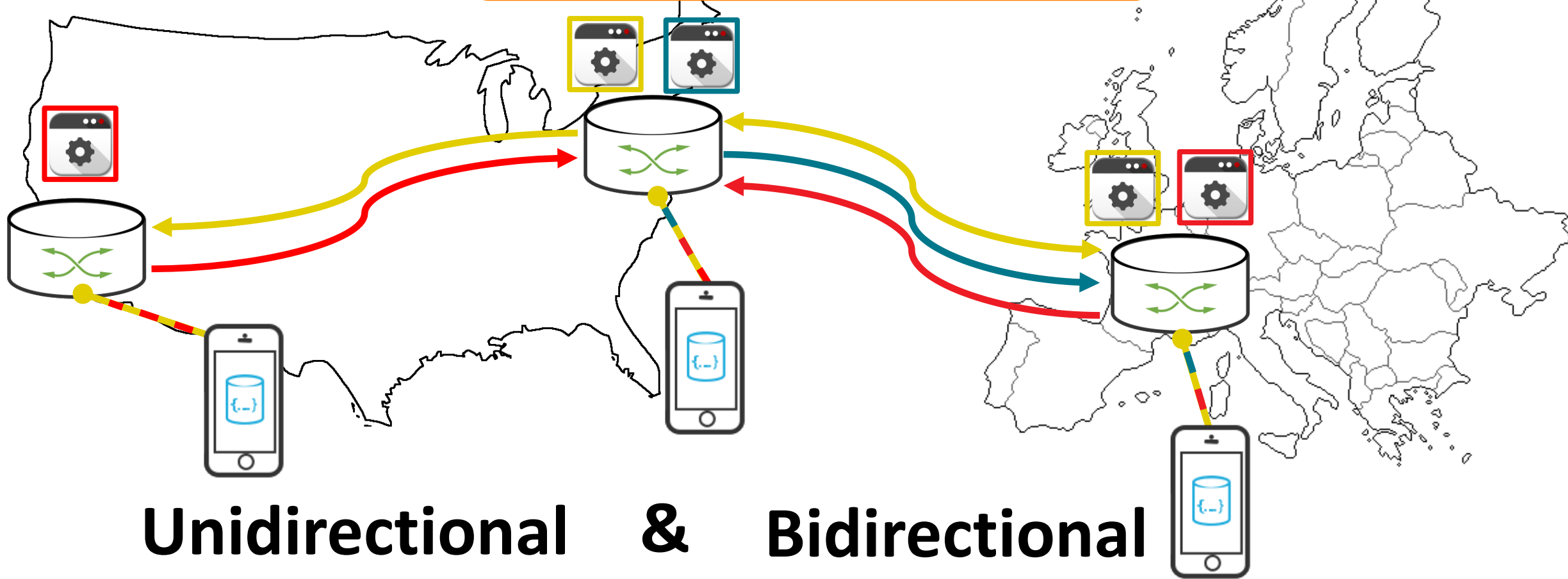
“Chaining” Sync Gateways – Data Locality & Filtering



Data Pipeline w/ Sync Gateways - *Options & Future*



Data Pipeline w/ Sync Gateways - Options & Future



N1QL – SQL for JSON - SQL-92

```
{  
  "type": "profile",  
  "email": "ted@gmail.com",  
  "friends": [{"name": "Bob"},  
              {"name": "Kevin"}]  
}
```

```
SELECT * FROM `bucket` WHERE email LIKE "%gmail.com";
```



N1QL – Creating Indexes



```
{  
  "type": "profile",  
  "email": "ted@gmail.com",  
  "friends": [{"name": "Bob"},  
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}
```

CREATE INDEX email1 **ON** `bucket`(email) **WHERE**

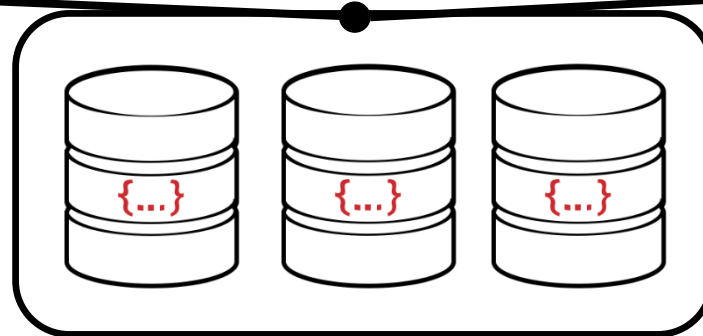


Full Functional SQL for JSON

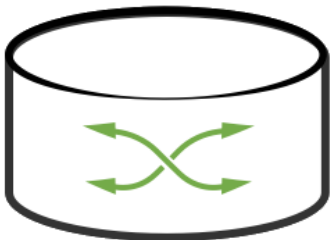
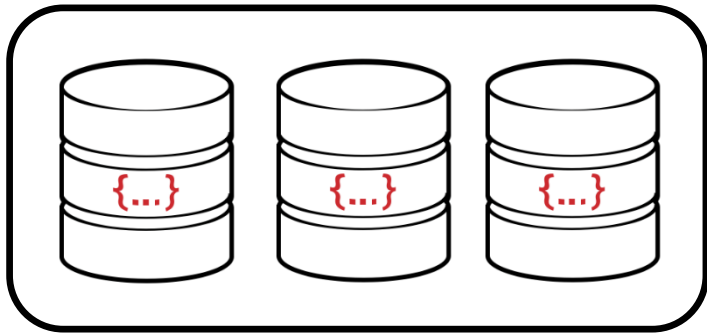


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}
```

```
SELECT * FROM `bucket` WHERE  
      ANY x IN friends SATIFIES x.name = "Bob"  
END;
```



Consolidation



Key/Value & Document



mongoDB



cassandra

Query & Index



Mobile / Data Flow



SQLite



TIBCO®

Search (DP2)



elastic



Apache
Solr

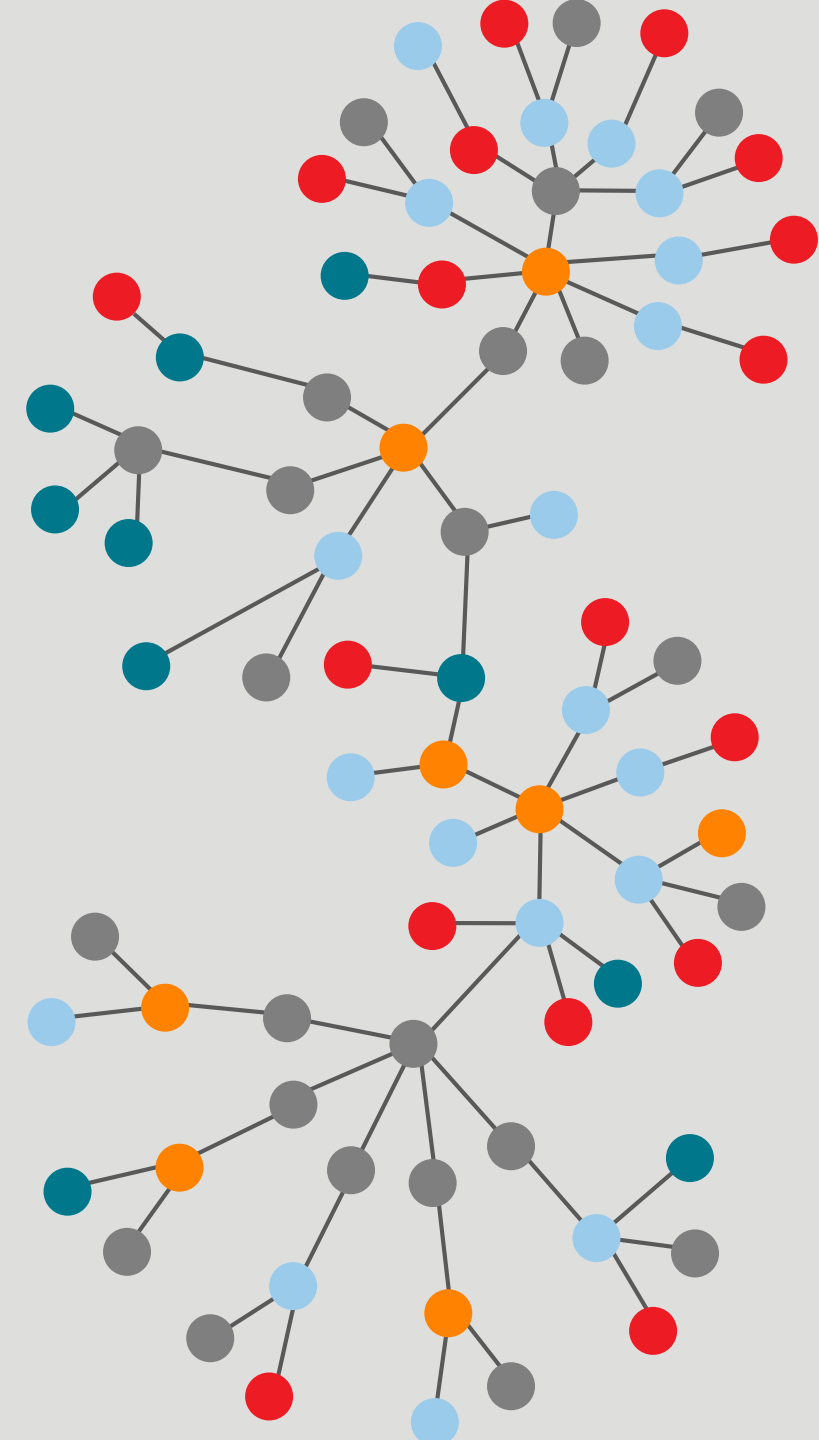
Analytics (DP1)



APACHE
Spark™

Quick poll: Do you see more data coming from Mobile or IoT?

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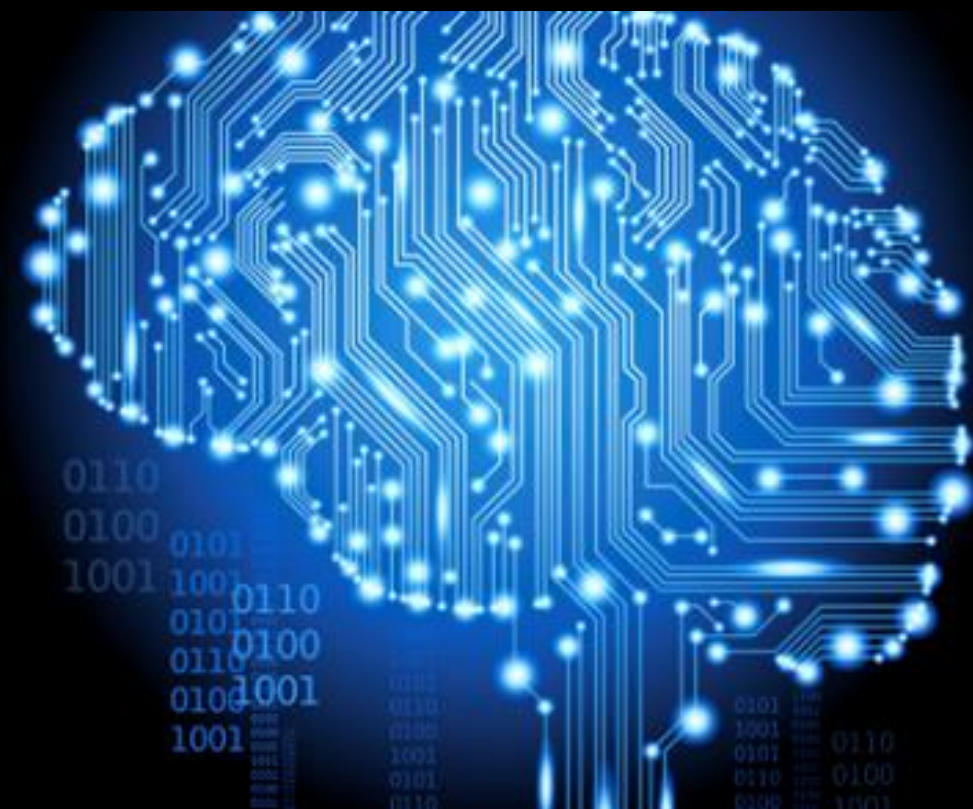
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Operationalizing Your HPCC Systems Environment, Part 1



Jacob Pellock
Sr Director Software Engineering



Quick poll: What stage are you in with
your HPCC Systems deployment?

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Background on our Team



Source Data



Data Lake



Data Ponds



Technologies Used

- HPCC/ECL – warehouse data integration/transformation/distribution
- Git – source code repository
- Python – glue
- HPCC Client Tools – remote job submission

HPCC Client Tools (<https://hpccsystems.com/download/developer-tools/client-tools>)

- eclcc – ECL compiler
- ecl – Command line interface for job submission

ECLCC Usage

\$ eclcc

Usage:

eclcc <options> queryfile.ecl

General options:

- I <path>** Add path to locations to search for ecl imports
- L <path>** Add path to locations to search for system libraries
- o <file>** Specify name of output file (default a.out if linking to executable, or stdout)
- manifest** Specify path to manifest file listing resources to add
- foption[=value]** Set an ecl option (#option)
- main <ref>** Compile definition <ref> from the source collection
- syntax** Perform a syntax check of the ECL
- target=hthor** Generate code for hthor executable (default)
- target=roxie** Generate code for roxie cluster
- target=thor** Generate code for thor cluster

ECLCC Usage (cont.)

Output control options

- E** **Output preprocessed ECL in xml archive form**
- q** Save ECL query text as part of workunit
- wu** Only generate workunit information as xml file

ECLCC Example

```
eclcc -I ./my_code -E -o ./my_archive.xml ./my_code/my_job.ecl
```

ECL Run Usage

```
$ ecl
```

Usage:

```
ecl [--version] <command> [<args>]
```

Commonly used commands:

deploy create a workunit from an ecl file, archive, or dll

publish add a workunit to a query set

unpublish remove a query from a query set

run run the given ecl file, archive, dll, wuid, or query

activate activate a published query

deactivate deactivate the given query alias name

queries show or manipulate queries and querysets

Run 'ecl help <command>' for more information on a specific command

ECL Run Usage (cont.)

```
$ ecl help run
```

Usage:

The 'run' command executes an ECL workunit, text, file, archive, shared object, or dll on the specified HPCC target cluster.

Query input can be provided in xml form via the --input parameter. Input xml can be provided directly or by referencing a file

```
ecl run [--cluster=<val>][--input=<file | xml>][--wait=<ms>] <wuid>
```

```
ecl run [--cluster=<c>][--input=<file | xml>][--wait=<ms>] <queryset> <query>
```

```
ecl run [--cluster=<c>][--name=<nm>][--input=<file | xml>][--wait=<i>] <dll | ->
```

```
ecl run --cluster=<c> --name=<nm> [--input=<file | xml>][--wait=<i>] <archive | ->
```

```
ecl run --cluster=<c> --name=<nm> [--input=<file | xml>][--wait=<i>] <eclfile | ->
```

ECL Run Usage (cont.)

- specifies object should be read from stdin
- <wuid> workunit to publish
- <archive|-> **archive to publish**
- <ecl_file|-> ECL text file to publish
- <so|dll|-> workunit dll or shared object to publish

ECL Run Usage (cont.)

Options:

- cl, --cluster=<val>** cluster to run job on
(defaults to cluster defined inside workunit)
- n, --name=<val>** job name
- in, --input=<file|xml>** file or xml content to use as query input
- wait=<ms>** time to wait for completion
- v, --verbose** output additional tracing information
- s, --server=<ip>** ip of server running ecl services (eclwatch)
- port=<port>** ecl services port
- u, --username=<name>** username for accessing ecl services
- pw, --password=<pw>** password for accessing ecl services
- main=<definition>** definition to use from legacy ECL repository
- ecl-only** send ecl text to hpcc without generating archive
- limit=<limit>** sets the result limit for the query, defaults to 100

ECL Run Example

```
ecl run --cluster=thor --name=my_thor_job --username=my_username --  
password=my_password --server=127.0.0.1 --wait=10000 my_archive.xml
```

Other ECL Client Tools

- eclplus – legacy command line tool for executing ECL commands
- dfuplus – command line tool for filesystem operations

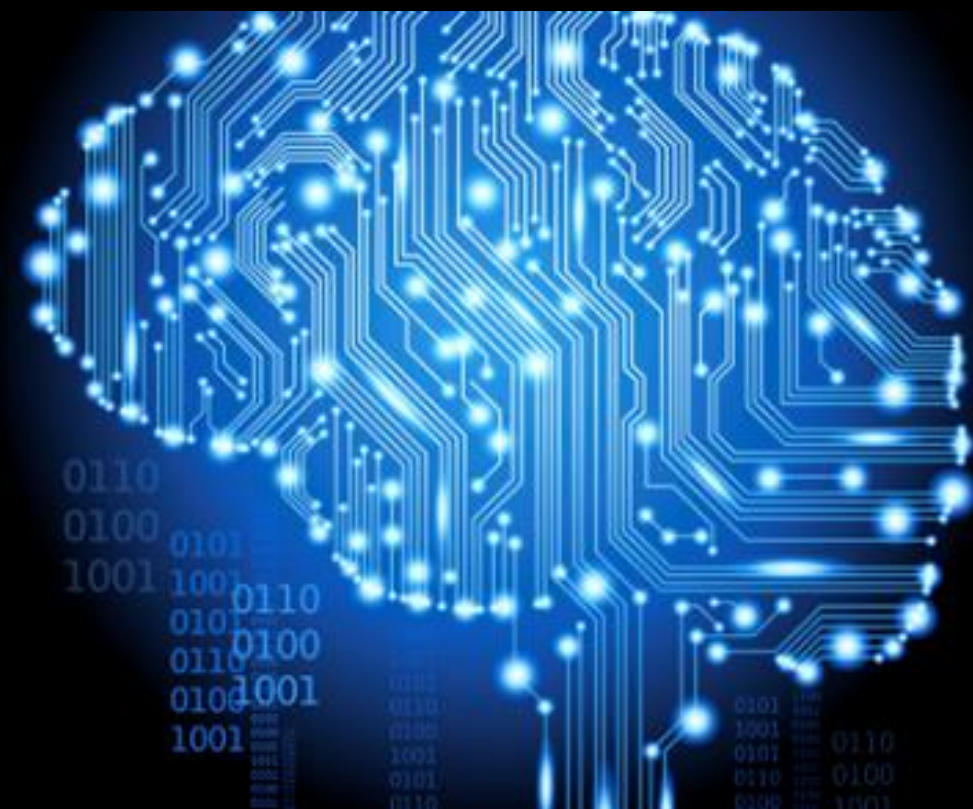
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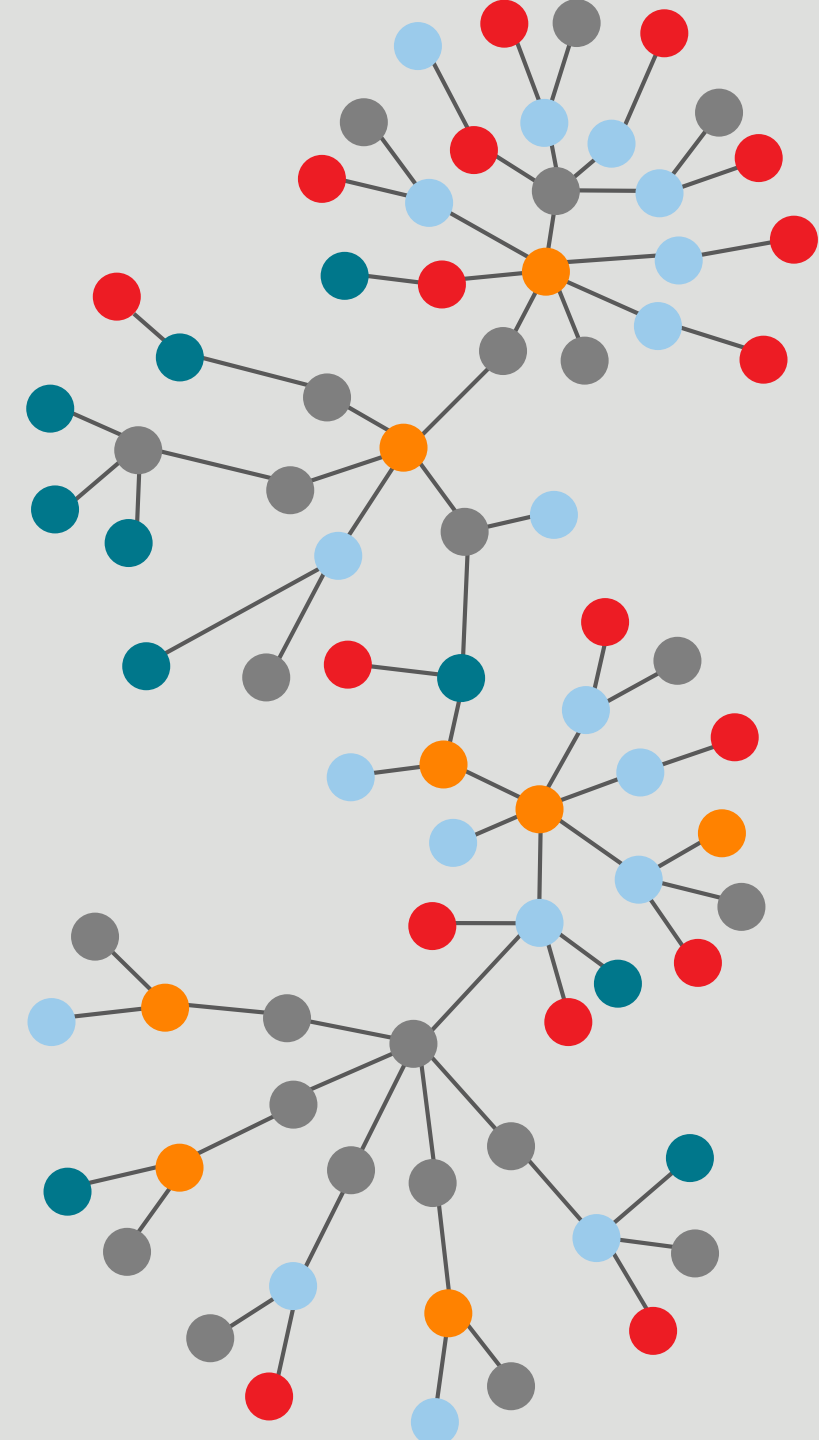
Basic Linear Algebra Subsystem (BLAS) and Parallel Block BLAS (PBBblas) Libraries for HPCC Systems

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Sr Architect, LexisNexis® Risk Solutions



Quick poll: Have you had occasion to use Linear Algebra in your work?

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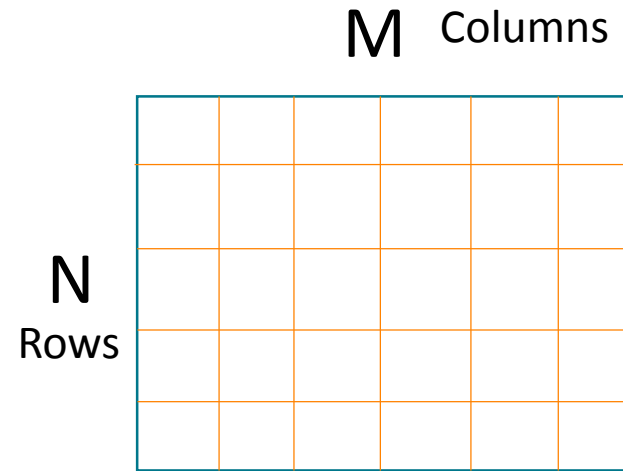


BLAS and PBLas

- BLAS (Basic Linear Algebra Subprograms) is an industry de-facto standard interface for Linear Algebra operations
 - Very mature – many implementations
 - Highly optimized for different hardware architectures
 - As of HPCC 6.2.0, BLAS is a part of the Std Library
 - `IMPORT Std.BLAS`
- PBblas – Parallel Block BLAS, unique to HPCC, provides a BLAS-like interface that can:
 - Scale to HUGE matrixes
 - Balance workload across the nodes in an HPCC cluster
 - Simultaneously perform independent operations on many matrixes in parallel
 - PBblas is an installable bundle at the top-level of HPCC-Systems organization (Github)

Quick Review

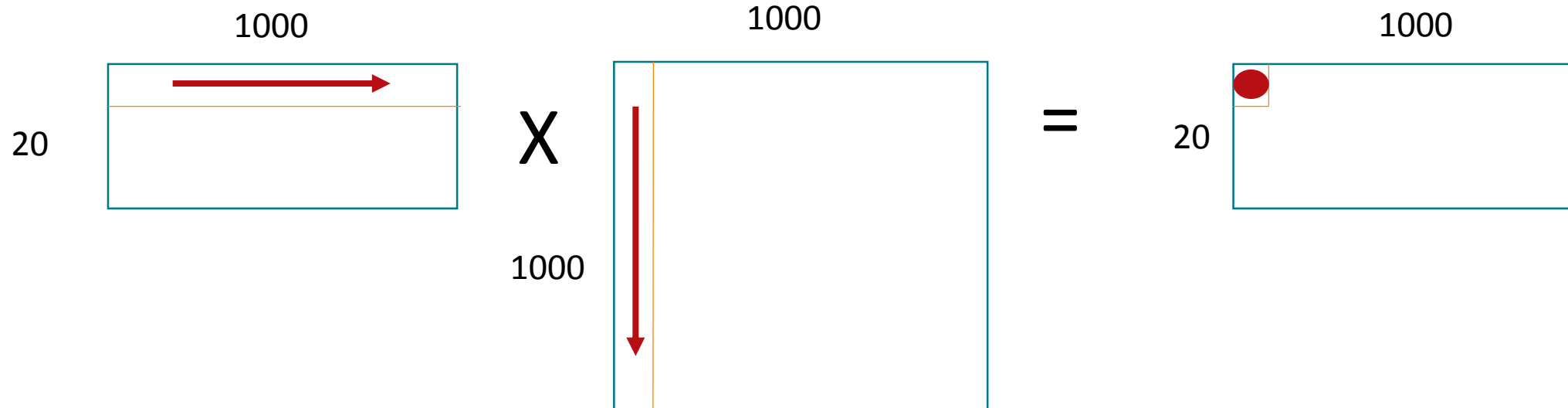
Matrixes



N x M
Matrix

5 x 6
Matrix

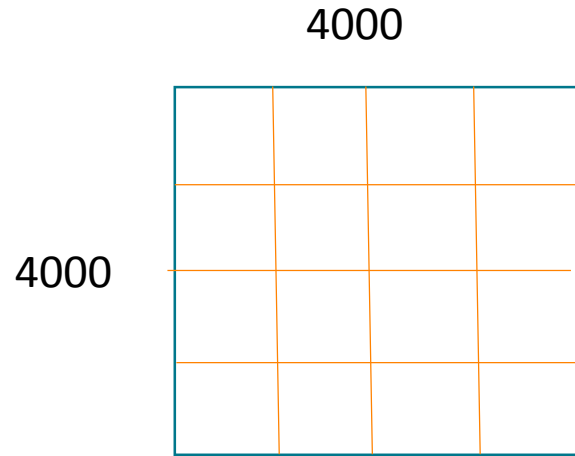
Matrix Multiplication



How can we parallelize?

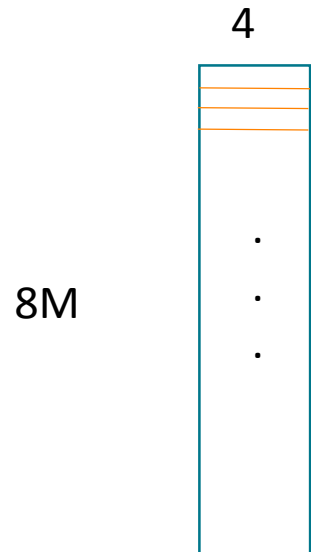
Block Partitioning

“Auto Partitioning”



16 Million Cells

- 4 X 4 Block Partitions
- 1M cells per block
- Each block = 1000 x 1000
- “Square Partitioning”

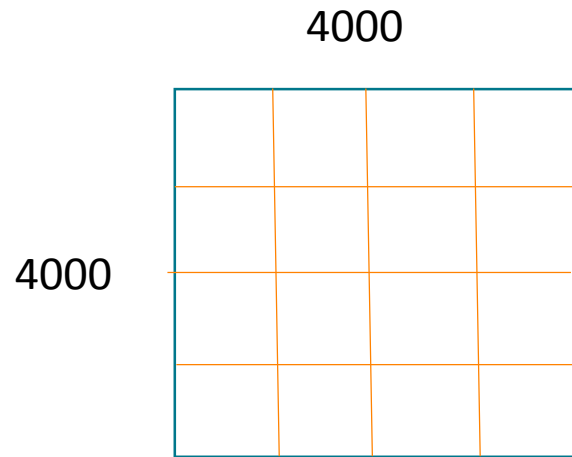


32 Million Cells

- 250K x 1 Block Partitions
- 1M cells per block
- Each block = 250K X 4
- “Row / Column Partitioning”

Cluster Optimization

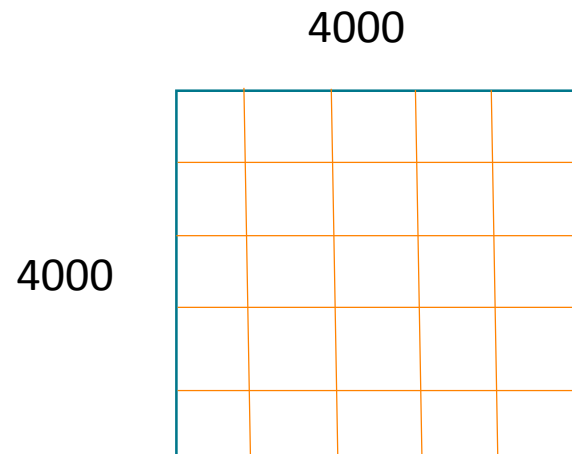
“Workload Balancing”



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What if I’m running on a 25 node cluster?



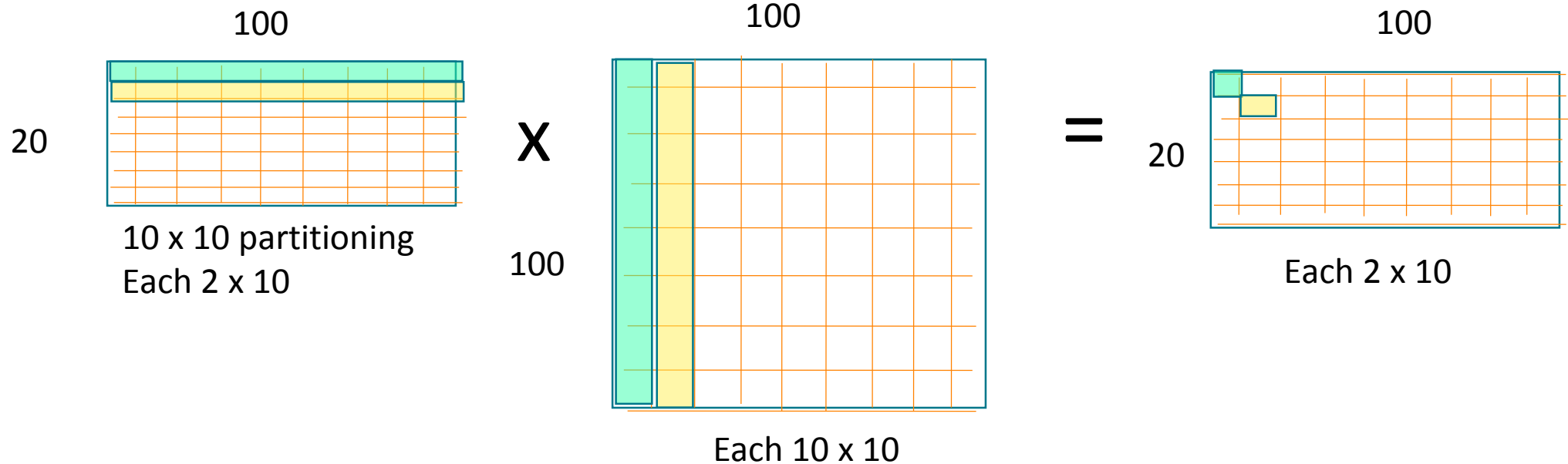
16 Million Cells

- 5 X 5 Block Partitions
- 640K cells per block
- Each block = 800 x 800

Distributed Operations

“Operation Localization”

Matrix Multiplication

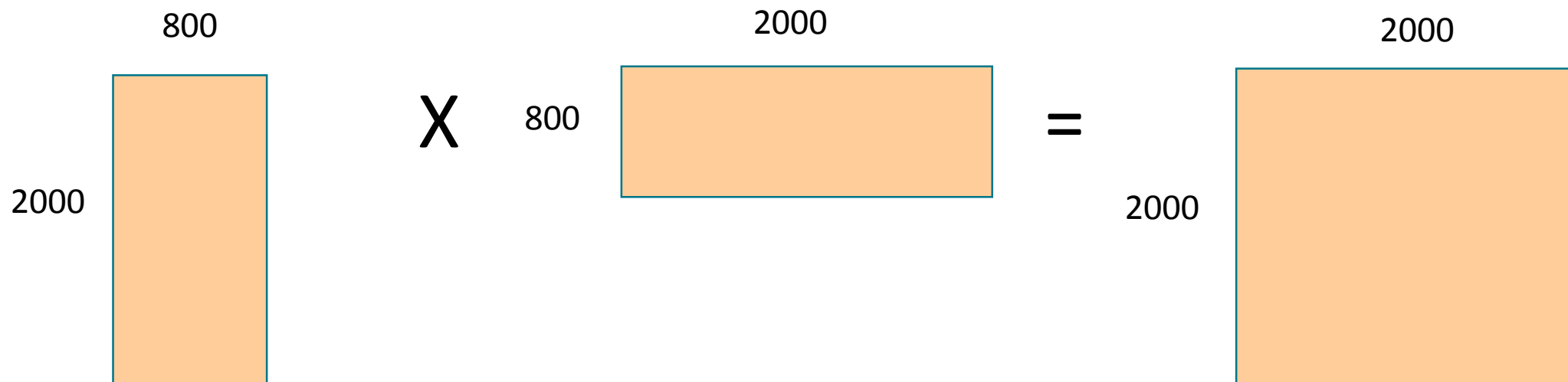
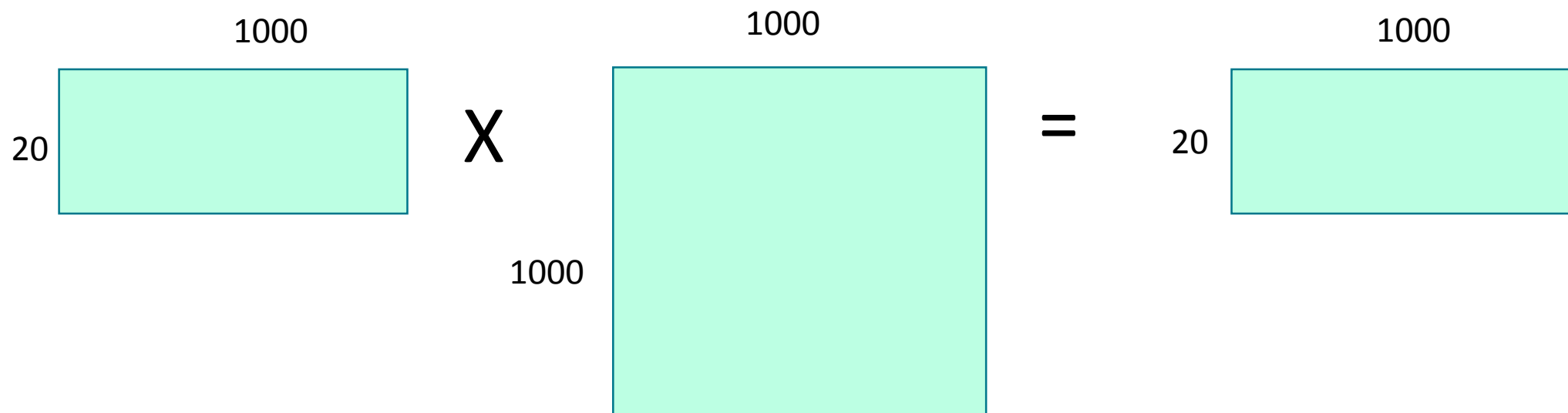


Node 1
(using BLAS)

Node 2
(using BLAS)

Multiple Smaller Operations

“Myriad Operations”



BLAS and PBBblas – Composite Operations

- BLAS insight:
 - Many operations are nearly free when done in tandem with other operations
- Example:
 - gemm: $\text{Alpha} * \text{TRANSPPOSE}(A) * \text{TRANSPPOSE}(B) + \text{Beta} * C$

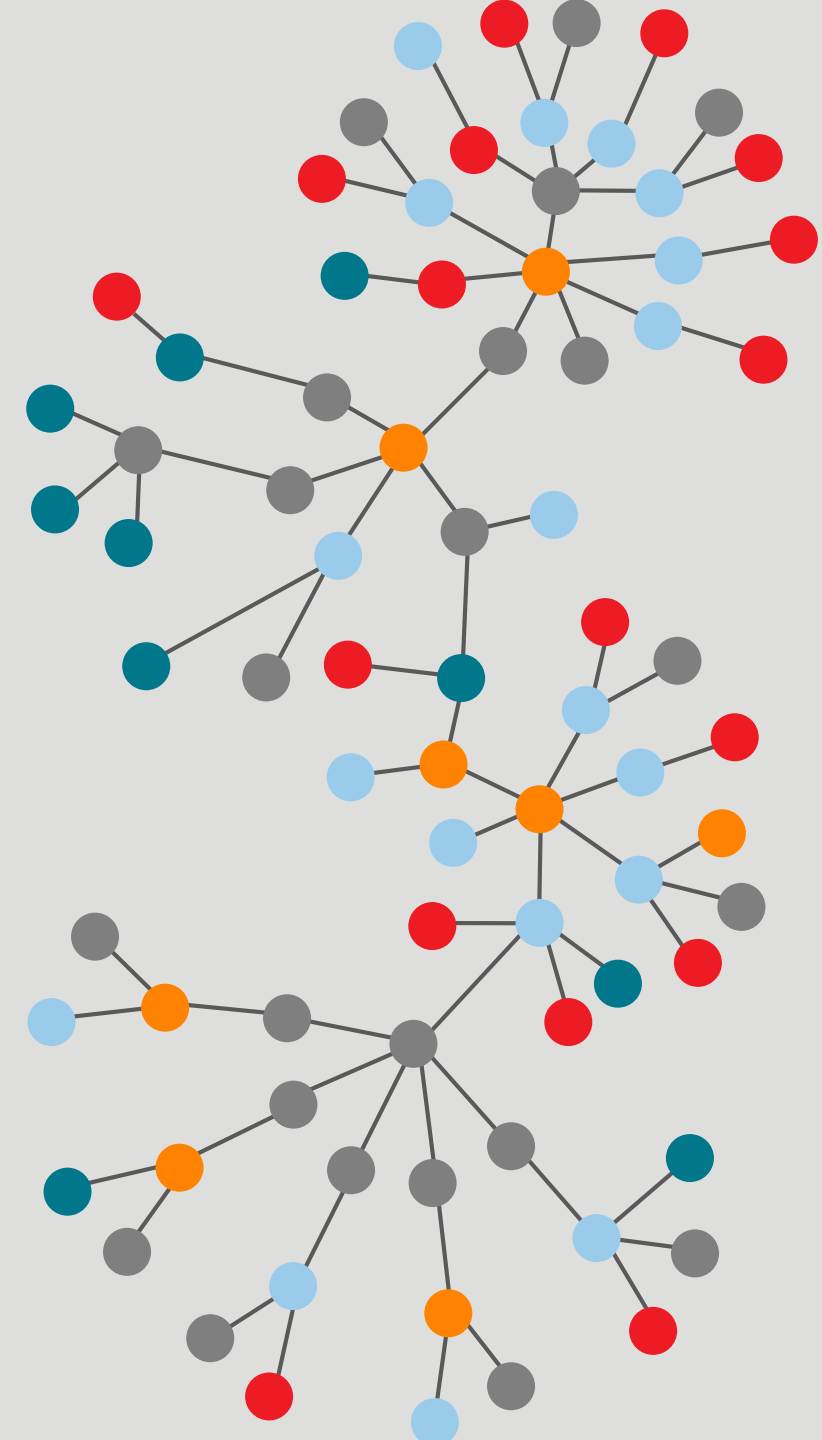
In Summary

- BLAS for optimized local operations on moderate sized matrices
- PBblas for:
 - Operations on large matrixes
 - Efficient utilization of cluster resources
 - Multiple operations in parallel

Unless you have an overriding reason to use BLAS directly, use PBBlas on HPCC clusters.

Quick poll: Do you think you may have a use for BLAS or PBblas in the future?

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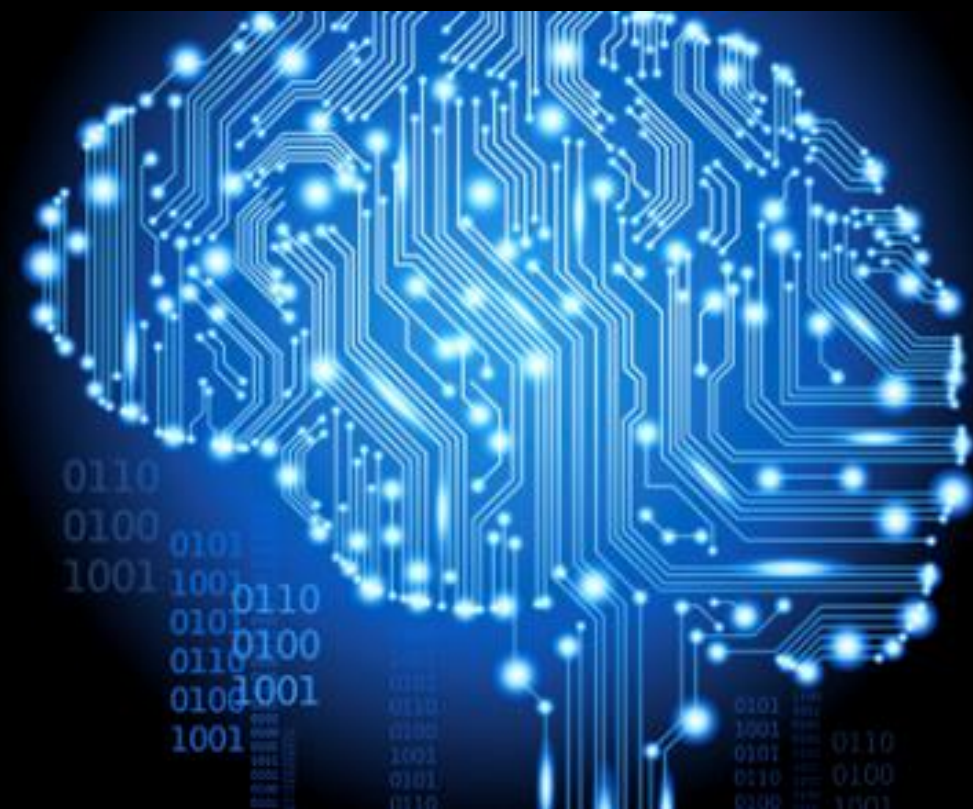
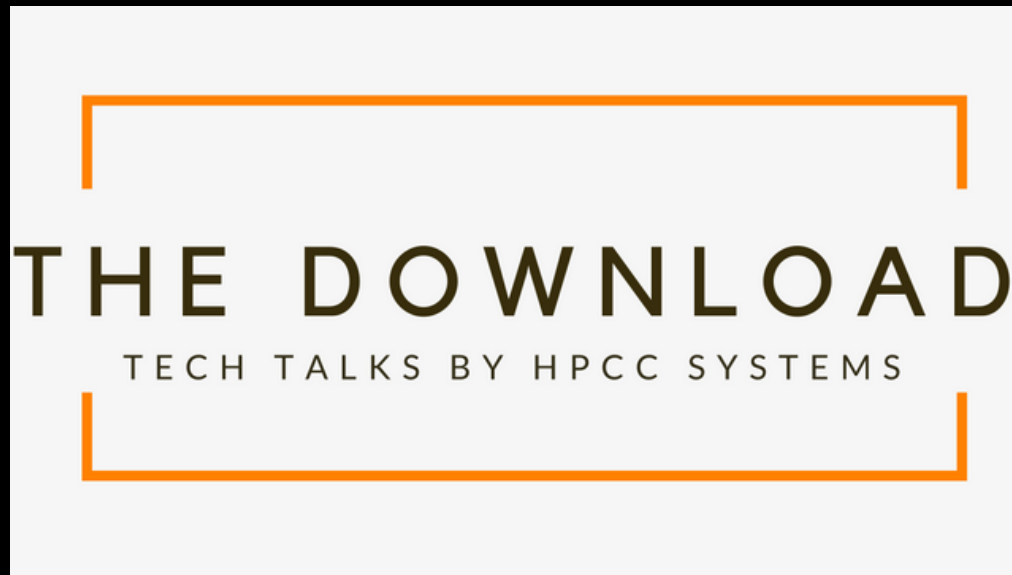
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HPCC Systems Training: Updates and Deep Dives on Cool Code

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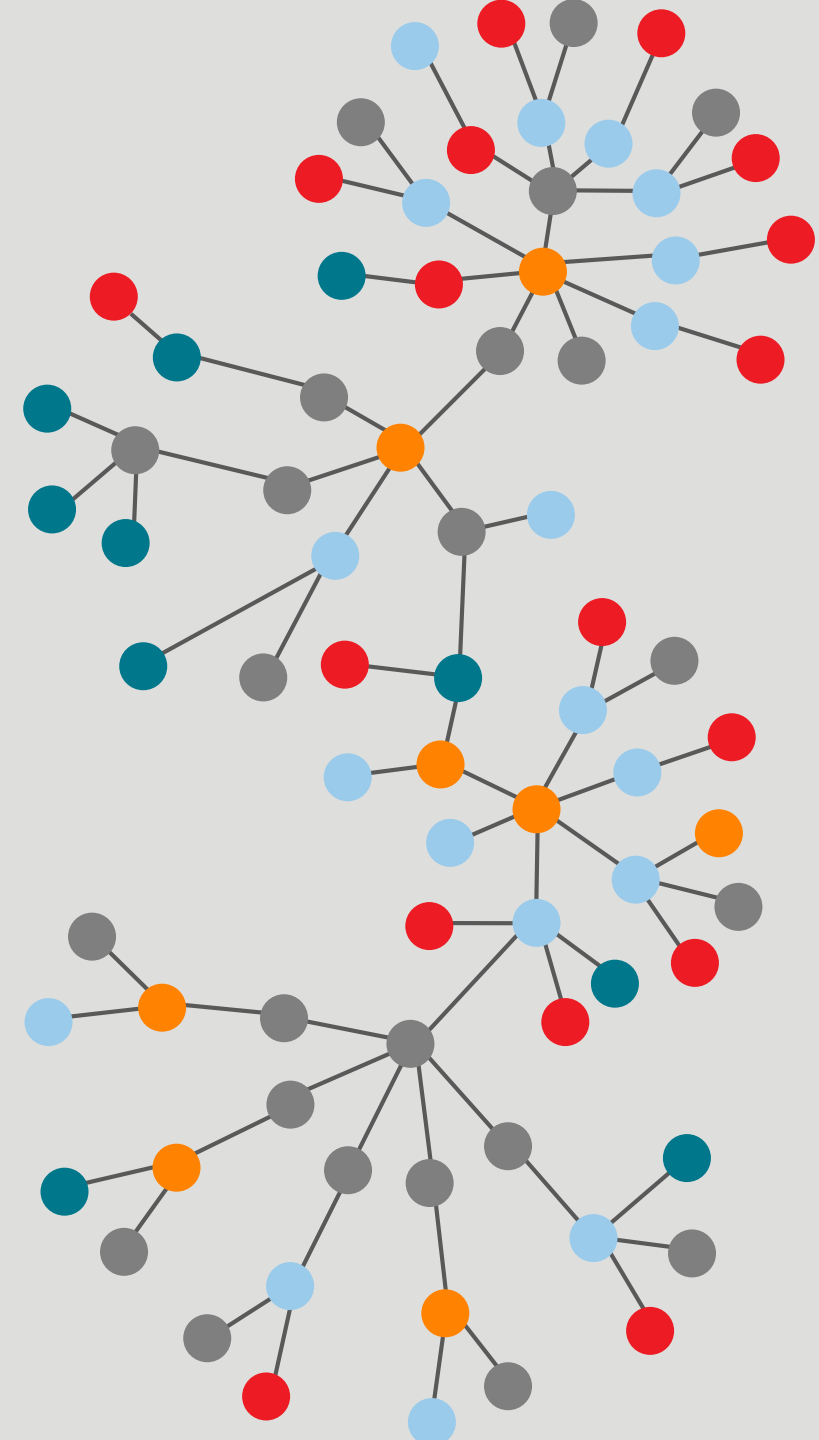
Quick poll: How many different ways do we deliver our ECL courses?



HPCC Systems Training

- **ECL Courses Renamed:**
 - Introduction to ECL (Part 1)
 - Introduction to ECL (Part 2)
 - Advanced ECL (Part 1)
 - Advanced ECL (Part 2)
 - Roxie ECL (Part 1)
 - Roxie ECL (Part 2)

Quick poll: Have you taken all the ECL courses you'd like to?



HPCC Systems Training

- **FOUR ECL Course Delivery Methods:**
 - **On-site**, live instructor-led
 - Sign-up requires discount code
 - **Remote** (Lync), live instructor-led
 - Sign-up requires discount code
 - **Online**, pre-recorded, self-paced
 - Sign-up for Advanced, Roxie, and SALT courses requires discount code
 - **Mobile app**, pre-recorded, self-paced
 - Sign-up for Advanced and Roxie courses requires discount code

HPCC Systems Training

- **On-site course Schedule:**
 - First month of each quarter in **Alpharetta**
 - Two weeks, 8 class days
 - Introduction to ECL (parts 1 & 2)
 - Advanced ECL (parts 1 & 2)
 - Second month of each quarter in **Sutton**
 - Two weeks, 10 class days
 - Introduction to ECL (parts 1 & 2)
 - Advanced ECL (parts 1 & 2)
 - Roxie ECL (parts 1 & 2)
- Sign up here: <https://hpccsystems.com/getting-started/training-classes>

HPCC Systems Training

- **On-site courses can be scheduled:**
 - Anywhere in the world
 - 6 student minimum
 - Expenses that go to your cost center:
 - Instructor travel
 - Printing
 - No other costs for RELX Group
 - Negotiable:
 - Location
 - Courses taught
 - Timeframe

HPCC Systems Training

- **Remote course Schedule:**
 - Third month of each quarter
 - Three weeks, 12 class days
 - Introduction to ECL (parts 1 & 2)
 - Advanced ECL (parts 1 & 2)
 - Roxie ECL (parts 1 & 2)
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HPCC Systems Training

- **Remote courses can also be scheduled:**
 - Anywhere in the world
 - 4 student minimum
 - No cost for RELX Group
 - Courses taught and timeframe are negotiable

HPCC Systems Training

- **Online courses:**

- Always available and Self-paced
- Courses available:
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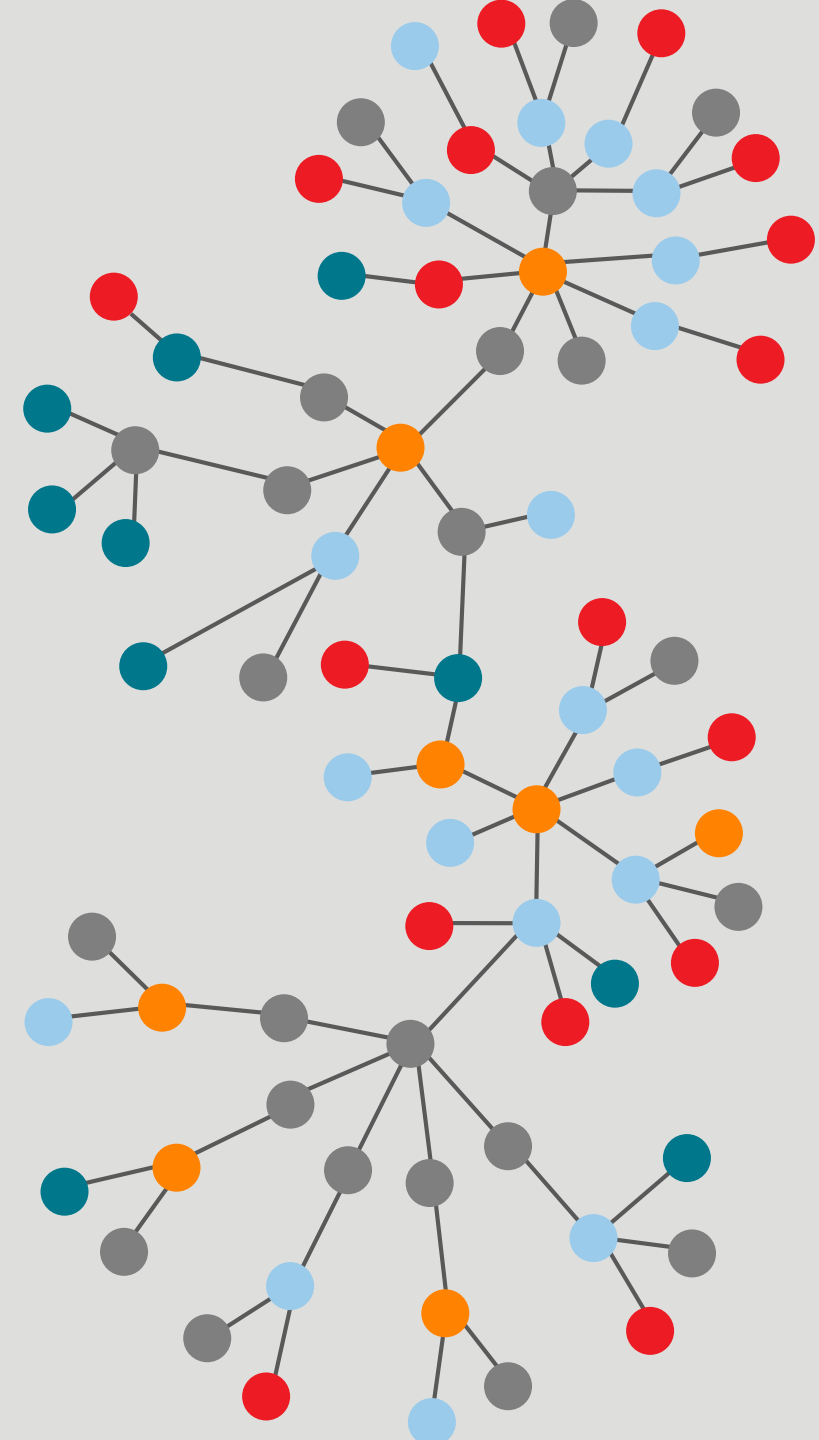
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Demo

Let's explore the LOOP function.

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