Introduction to Apache Qpid Proton

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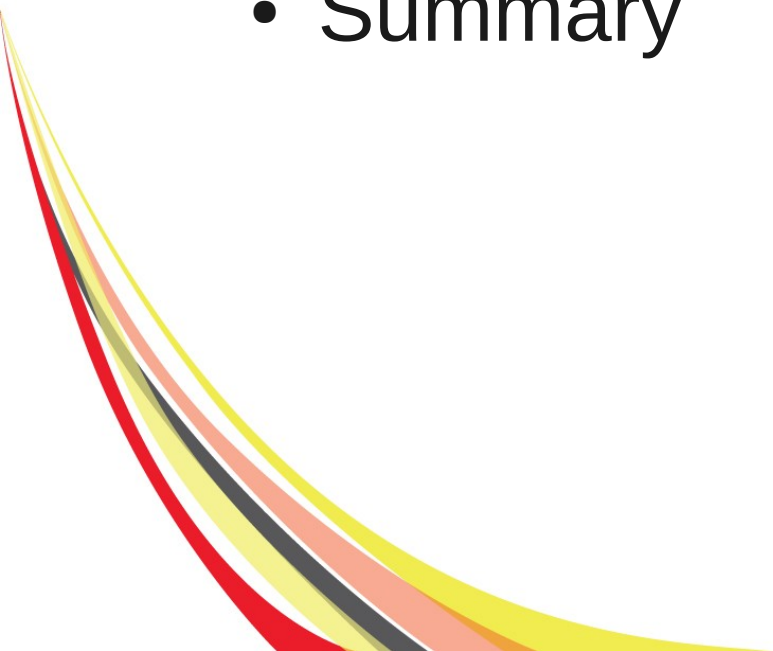
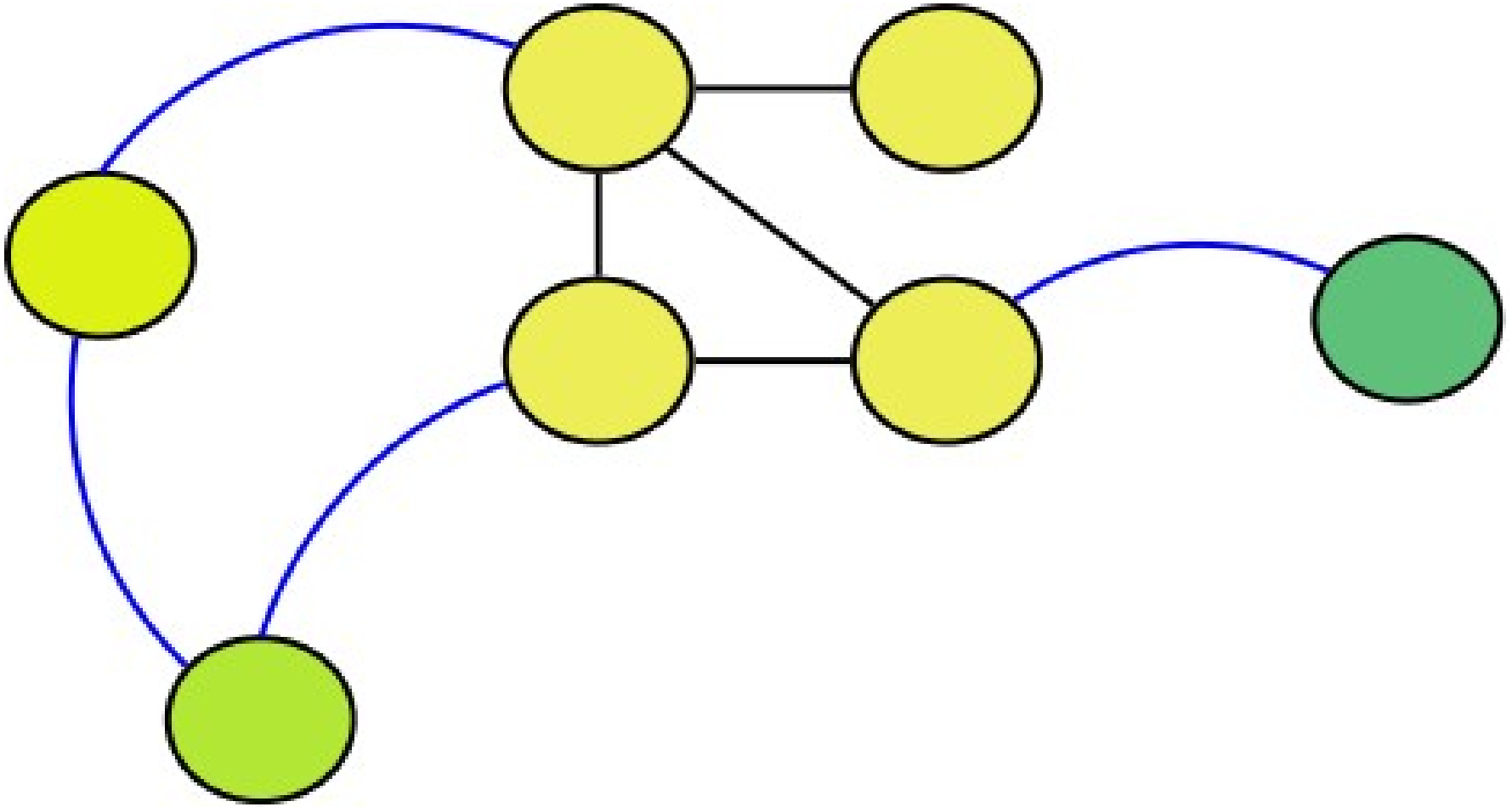


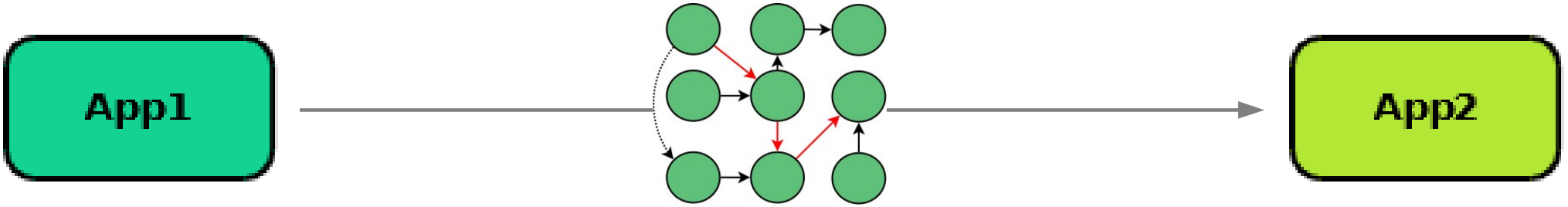
Introduction

- Proton: A toolkit for speaking AMQP
  - Includes:
    - The AMQP Protocol Engine API
    - The AMQP Messenger API
- Part of the Apache Qpid project
  - Qpid is the home for AMQP at Apache

Proton is network based and decentralized



Proton Can Scale Transparently.



Proton is Highly Embeddable

App Servers

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Linux

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iOS

Browser

Cloud

Designed For Maximum Embeddability

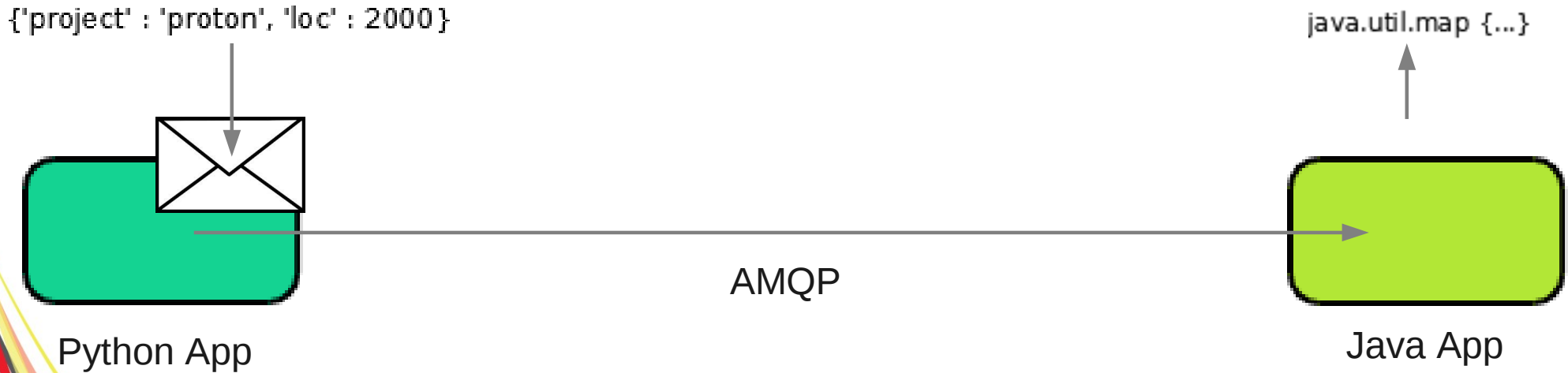
- Minimal assumptions about the host environment.
- Minimal assumptions about the application threading model.
- Minimal dependencies.

Proton Design Goals.

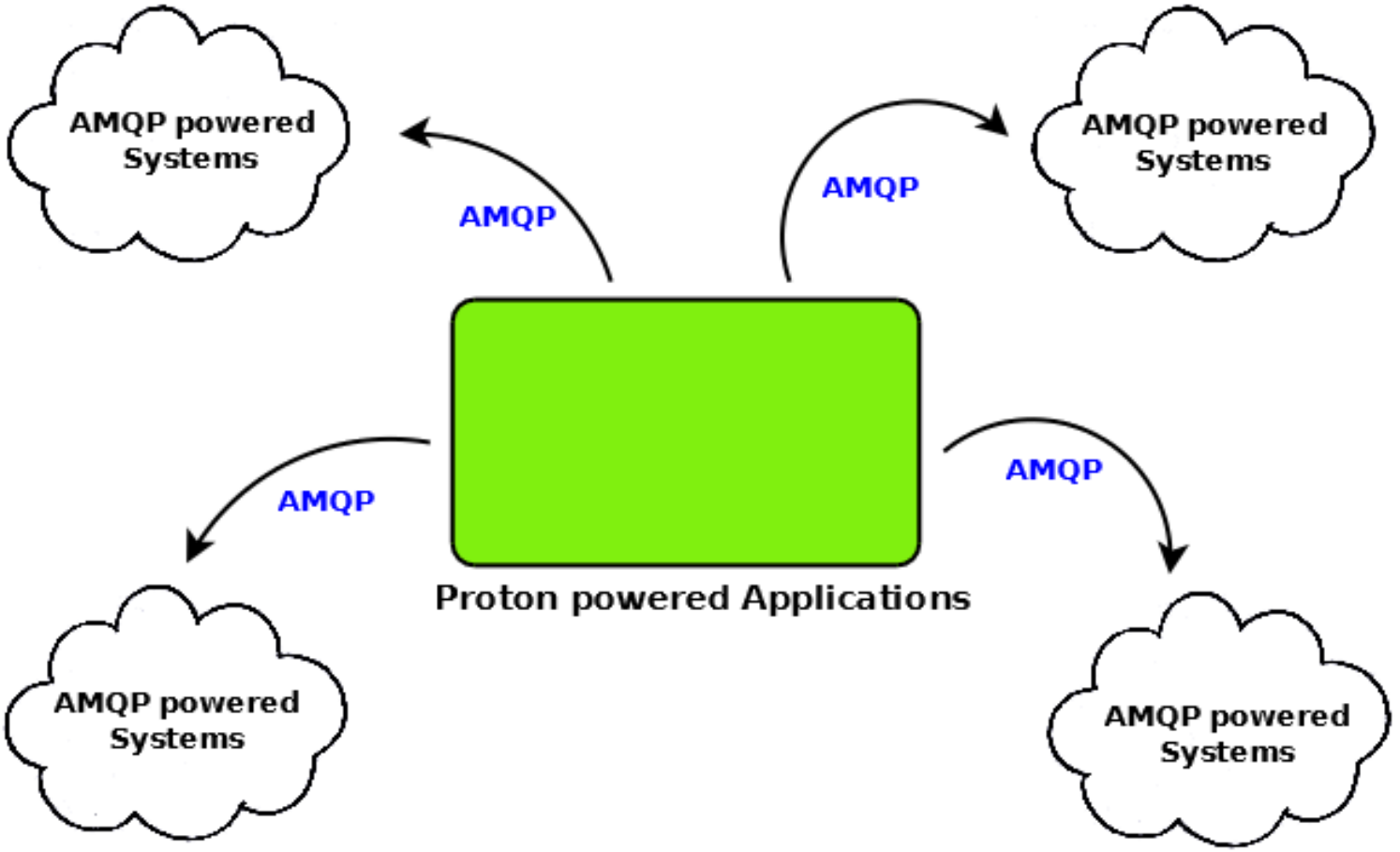
- Multi-language support.
  - Pure Java and pure C stacks.
  - Java Script will be added shortly.
  - Common design across the language implementations.
  - Common API across the language implementations.
  - Designed for easy language bindings. Using swig
    - Python
    - Ruby
    - PHP

Out of the box support for common data structures

- Strings
- Lists
- Maps



Proton is based on a Standard - AMQP

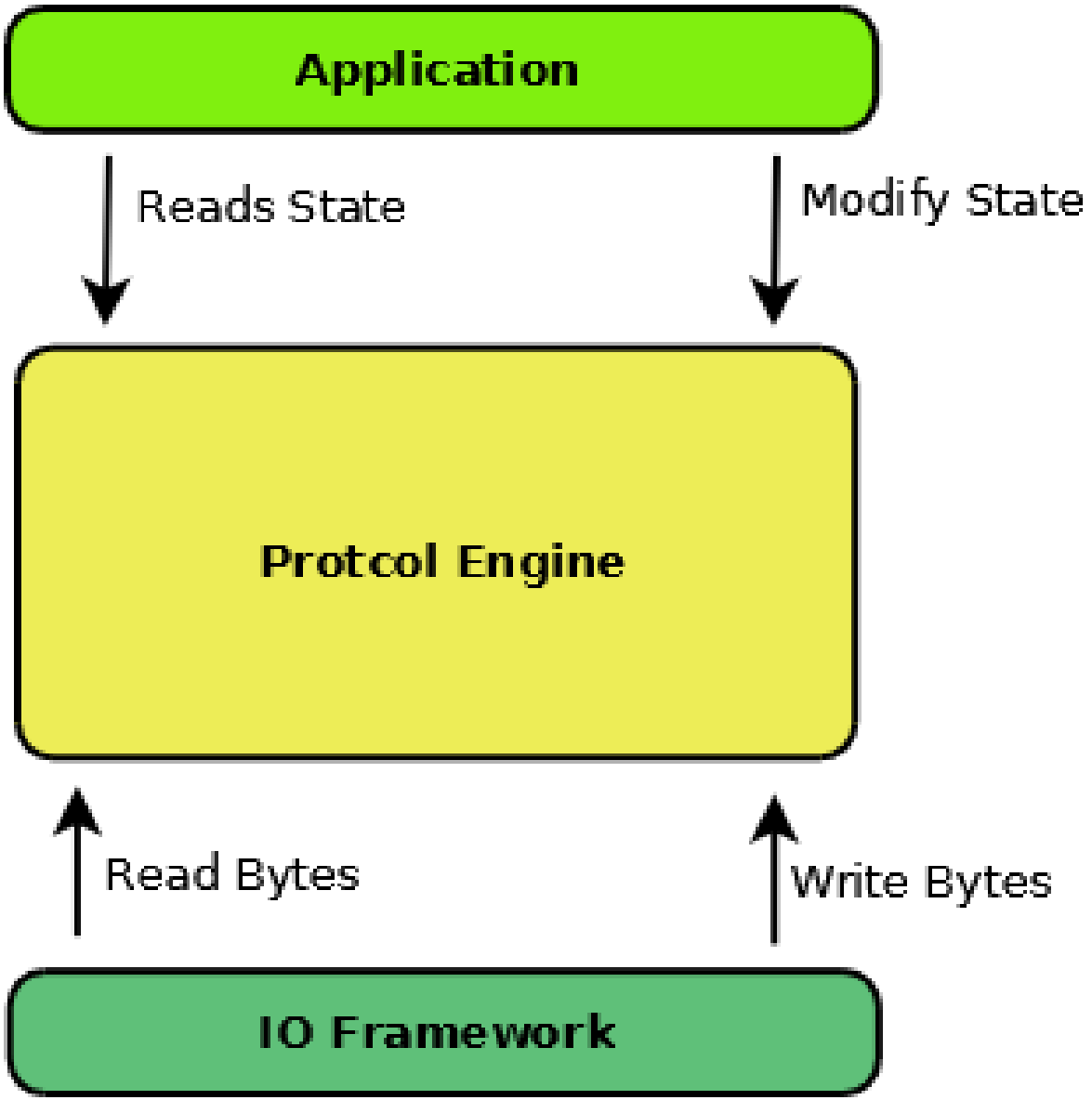


Proton Provides You With Two Options

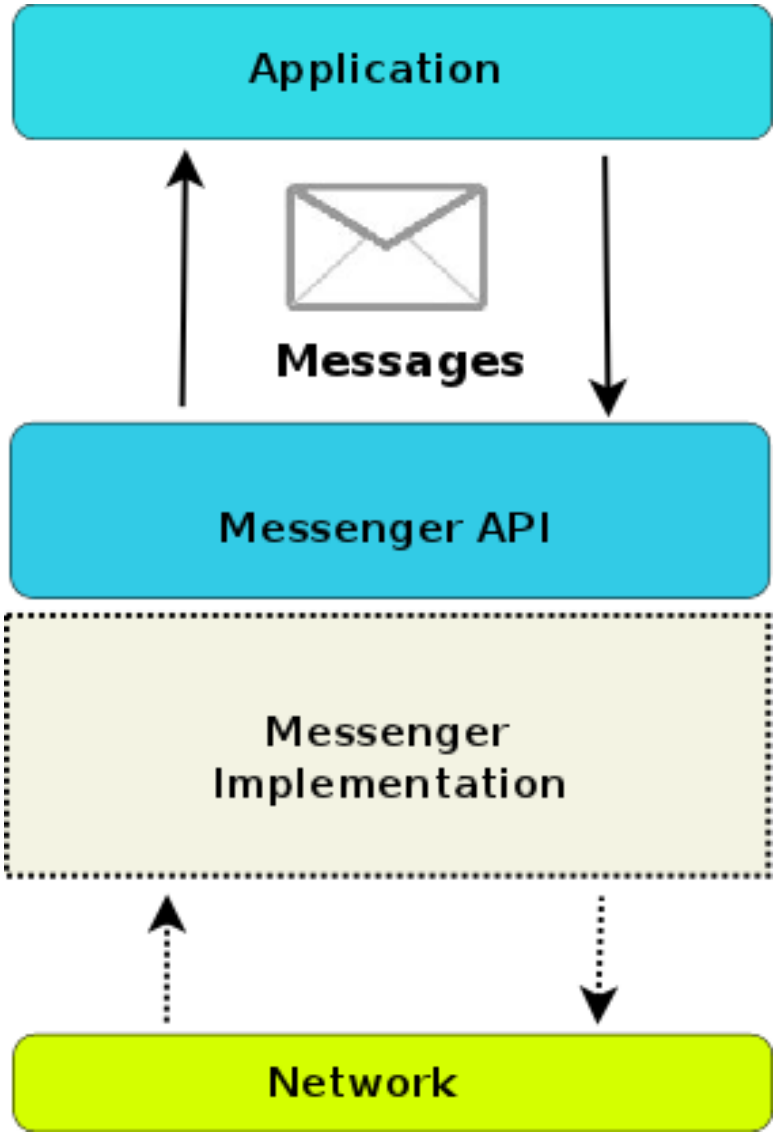
- The AMQP Messenger API, a simple but powerful interface to send and receive message over AMQP.

- AMQP Protocol Engine, a succinct encapsulation of the full AMQP protocol machinery.

Protocol Engine



Messenger API



Background

- Proton is a ***protocol*** implementation
  - Previous attempts to standardize messaging have been client/server based, i.e. RPC
  - AMQP 1.0 is a protocol specification
    - Network oriented: Symmetric, Decentralized
    - Provides intermediated messaging semantics, but does not restrict to hub and spoke topology
    - Not just a standard way to talk to a traditional broker
  - AMQP 1.0 makes a protocol implementation possible

Background

- Traditional MOM transformed
  - Traditional MOMs conflate both
    - store and forward *infrastructure*
    - specialized *application* behaviors
      - special queues: last value, ring queues
      - message transformation
  - Driven by Scalability and Standardization
- With AMQP 1.0, these features can be
  - distributed, scalable, heterogeneous

Background

- Many things benefit from speaking AMQP
  - A concise expression of a very general set of messaging semantics
    - Flow control
    - Settlement
    - Transactions
    - Data binding
  - Not everyone wants to implement all this down to the wire

Background

- Proton Goals
  - Make it easy to speak AMQP
    - minimal dependencies
    - minimal threading assumptions
    - multilingual
      - C, Java, Javascript
      - C Bindings in python, ruby, php, perl, ...
    - multi-platform
      - Linux/unix, windows, android, iOS

Messenger

Sending

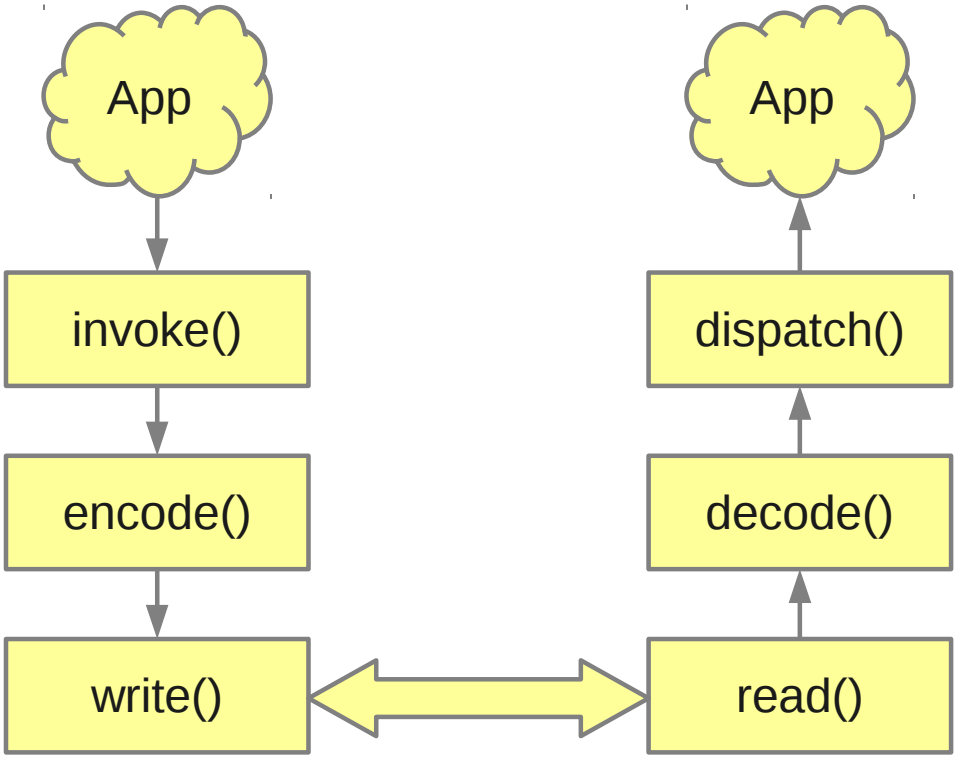
```
messenger = Messenger()

messenger.start()

msg = Message()
msg.address = "0.0.0.0"
msg.body = u"Hello World!"

messenger.put(msg)
messenger.send()


messenger.stop()
```

Receiving

```
messenger = Messenger()
messenger.subscribe("~0.0.0.0")
messenger.start()

msg = Message()

while True:
  messenger.recv(10)
  while messenger.incoming:
    messenger.get(msg)
    print msg.body

messenger.stop()
```

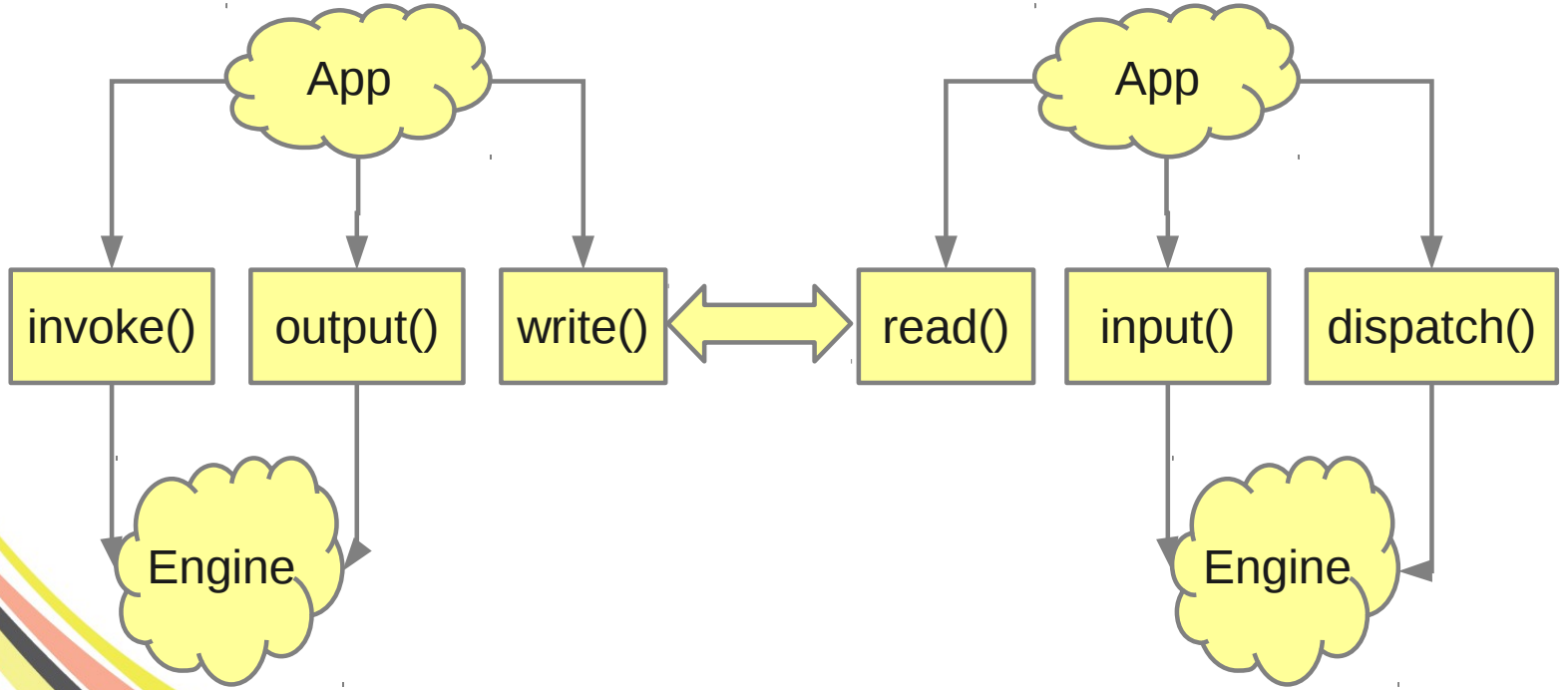
Protocol Engine

- NOT a traditional “RPC-like” pattern:
  - protocol implementation does I/O
    - Coupled to OS interfaces, I/O strategy, threading model



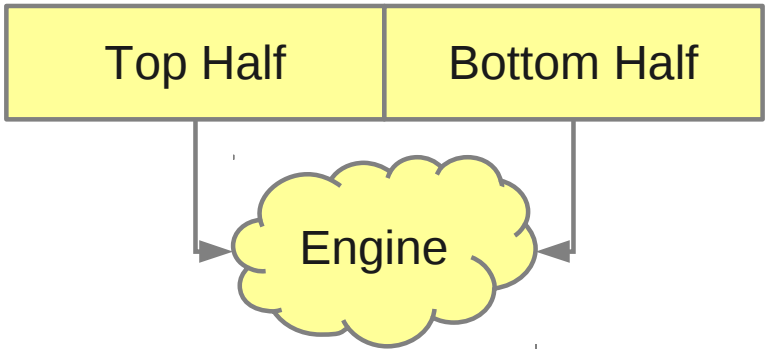
Protocol Engine

- Engine pattern:
  - application does I/O
  - engine encapsulates protocol state
    - pure state machine, no dependencies, no callbacks



Protocol Engine

- Engine interface: “top” and “bottom” half
  - Top half
    - traditional protocol interface in non blocking form
      - establish senders and receivers, send/recv message data
  - Bottom half
    - transport interface, inverted
      - normal transport pushes bytes to a socket
      - inverted transport pulls bytes from the engine



Protocol Engine

- Benefit: flexibility
  - Single protocol implementation can be shared
    - Used in a simple client
    - Easy to embed into existing servers
  - Thread agnostic
    - works with single threaded and multithreaded servers of any architecture
  - Easy to swig
    - no callbacks
    - simple interface

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    print msg.body

messenger.stop()
```

Messenger

- Message oriented, not connection oriented
  - (re) creates and pools the minimal number of connections behind the scenes
    - simplifies failover
  - topology is invisible to application
- Simple, but not a toy
  - batch oriented interface
    - high performance

Messenger

Sending Reliably

```
messenger = Messenger()

messenger.incoming = 100
messenger.start()

msg = Message()
msg.address = "0.0.0.0"
msg.body = u"Hello World!"

tracker = messenger.put(msg)
messenger.send()
print messenger.status(tracker)

messenger.stop()
```

Receiving Reliably

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messenger = Messenger()
messenger.subscribe("~0.0.0.0")
messenger.start()

msg = Message()

while True:
  messenger.recv(10)
  while messenger.incoming:
    messenger.get(msg)
    print msg.body
    messenger.accept()

messenger.stop()
```

Message

- mutable and reusable holder of content
  - works with batch send
    - more performance
  - doesn't conflate delivery with message
    - flexible: modify a received message and resend it
- data binding from AMQP to native types
- usable with Messenger or Engine

Summary

- AMQP 1.0 is a new kind of messaging
  - brings messaging to the masses
- Proton
  - The AMQP Protocol Engine
    - advanced architecture
    - based on years of enterprise experience
  - The AMQP Messenger API
    - simple but powerful programming API
- This is the basis of next gen applications

More Information

- http://qpid.apache.org/proton
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- http://www.amqp.org