WebSocket Perspectives 2015

Clouds, Streaming, Microservices and the Web of Things

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Background

- Director of Technology
- Chairman NYJavaSIG (javasig.com)
- Largest Java UG in NA 8k+ members
- First Java UG ever! Sept 1995
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Outline – Things to Consider

- Web Communications Then and Now
- Web APIs
- Communications Models, Protocols, Frameworks
- Where WebSocket Fits
  - IoT/WoT
  - Microservices Transports
  - Cloud Connectivity

Web Communication

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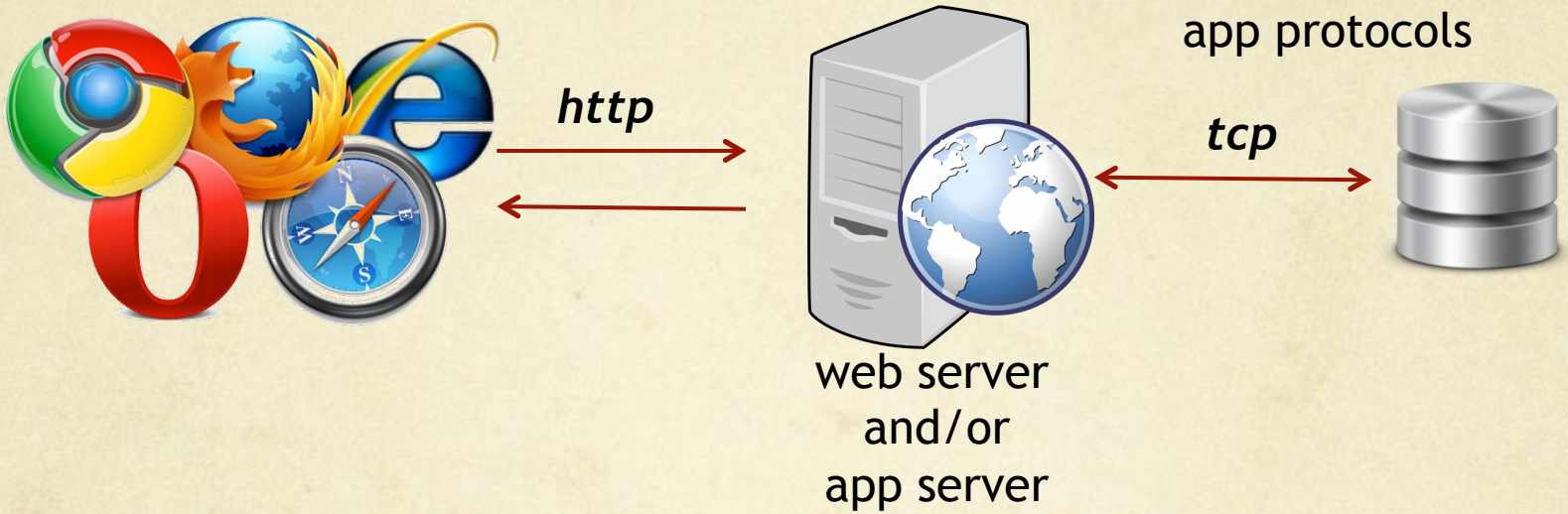
Web – “over the firewall” (early 90’s – 2011)



Page and Visitor hits used to be the report card

You are visitor 001234 ←Remember these?

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Web APIs

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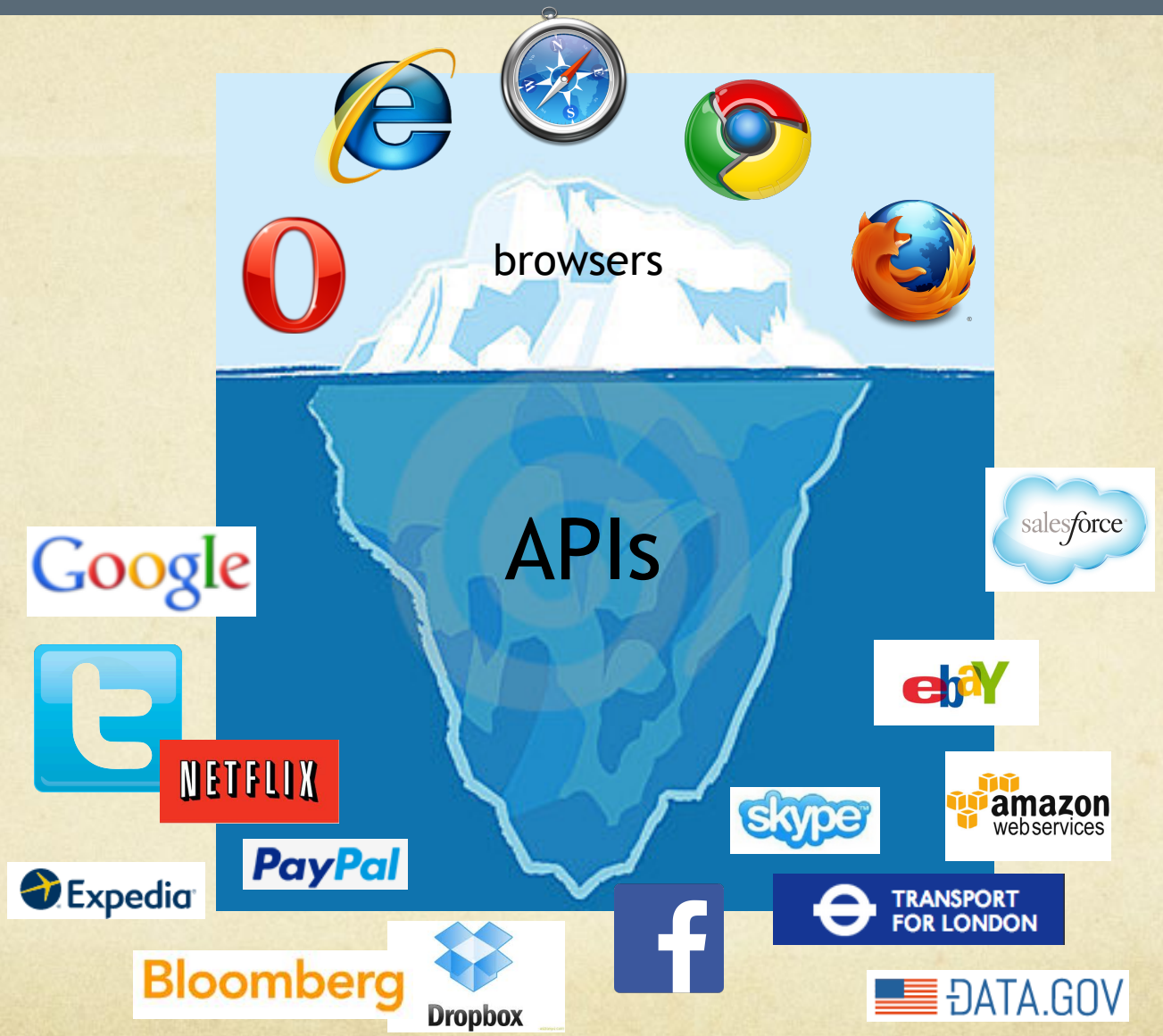
The Hidden Web – Most of the Web is Not Visible



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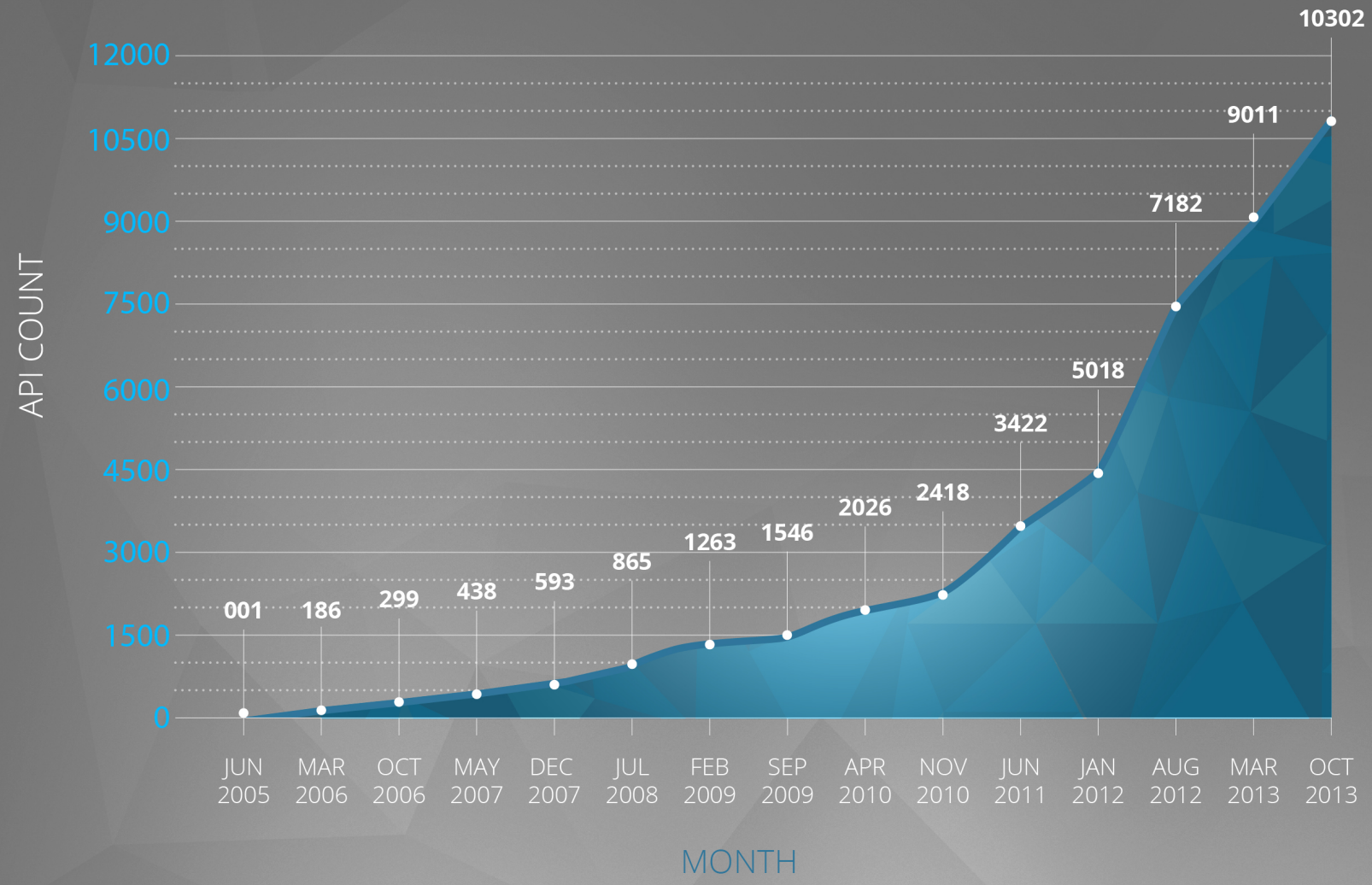
Growth In Web APIs Since 2005



2015

You are API call # 3,617,293,229 ***today***

2012

You are visitor # 2,391 this year

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Explosion of Open Web APIs

- APIs from Everywhere, Consumed by Every [one|thing]
- ~14K public APIs and even more Mashups
  - programmableweb.com/apis/directory
  - Amazon, Facebook, LinkedIn, AT&T, Google, Microsoft, NYTimes, Orange, SalesForce, Telefonica, Twitter, Visa, Vodafone, Bloomberg, NYSE, Thomson-Reuters, etc.
- Over time, more will be event-based
- Enterprise and B2B APIs
- Services… Services… Services…

programmableweb

API FOR THAT

DATA.GOV

PublicAPIs
by Mashape API Platform

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Chuck Norris has an API and It can Kill you

```
% groovy -e \
'println new URL(\"http://api.icndb.com/jokes/random\").getText()"
| grep joke | tr -d "{}" | sed -e 's/.*joke": "//' -e 's/".*$//'
```

Chuck Norris compresses his files by doing a flying round house kick to the hard drive.

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Chuck Norris played Russian Roulette with a fully loaded gun and won.

Using the Web without a Browser

```
% REPO=kaazing/gateway

% printf 'As of %s, repo [%s] has %s forks\n' \
    "`date +%D`"\
    $REPO\
    `curl --user "XXXXX:YYYYY" https://api.github.com/repos/$REPO 2>&1\
    grep -i forks_count |\
    cut -d: -f2 |\
    tr -d ,`
```

As of 10/16/15, repo [kaazing/gateway] has 34 forks

Services integration from anywhere on the planet to any device.

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Services integration is important.
Asynchronicity is next.

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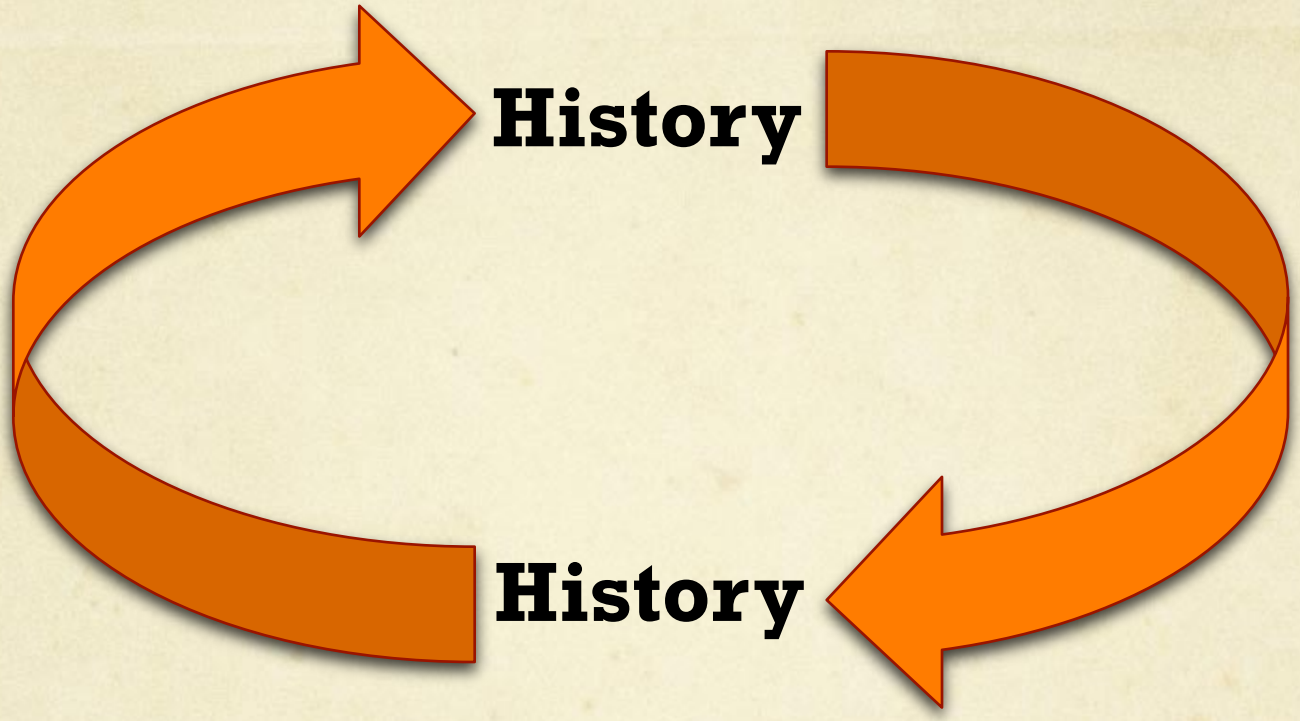
A Primary Tenet of Computing



If History Repeats Itself, Is There No Future?

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Reactive Programming, Streams and Events – The Alive Web

The Reactive Manifesto

Reactive programming is programming with asynchronous data streams.

Apache Kafka
A high-throughput distributed messaging system.

Spark

Amazon Kinesis

Clojure

akka

Scala

RxJava: Reactive Extensions for the JVM

RxJava is a Java VM implementation of Reactive Extensions: a library for composing asynchronous and event-based programs by using observable sequences.

It extends the observer pattern to support sequences of data/events and adds operators that allow you to compose sequences together declaratively while abstracting away concerns about things like low-level threading, synchronization, thread-safety and concurrent data structures.

node.js

bacon.js

Functional Reactive Programming

Web Communication Models for Asynchronous Streams

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Web Communication Protocols for Event-Driven World

HTTP/1.1 - 1997
RFC 2068

Great for caching, synchronous req/resp, XHR for client async polling (AJAX), Comet for push

HTTP/2 - 2015
RFC 7540

Binary, mux over TCP, header compression, server can push into client cache, AJAX/Comet, 30-50%+

SSE HTML5 - 2009
W3C

Standardization of Comet (push), uni-directional, uses HTTP

WebSocket - 2011
RFC 6455

Binary/Text, full-duplex, persistent connection, *TCP for the Web*
JSR 356/JEE7

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Web Communication Mechanisms for Event-Driven World

Web Notifications
2015 - W3C

Browser Notifications outside webpage, can use with Service Workers (and WS)

Push API
2015 - W3C

Scripted access to push data, use with Service Workers (and WS)

Project Tyrus

2013-2014

Java/WebSocket JSR 356 – Glassfish OpenMQ Java/C API

webhooks
building a more programmable web

2007

User-defined HTTP callbacks (POST)

node.js

socket.io

2009

Event-driven architecture, non-blocking I/O API, JS for server

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Do I Still Use WebSocket with HTTP/2?

- WebSocket is not a REST (JAX-RS/Jersey) replacement.
- WebSocket is complementary to HTTP (and REST)
- Simple Notifications can be easily done with HTTP
- Higher level APIs for Polyglot world Needed (e.g., JS)
- WebSocket used for Full-duplex Persistent connection… a *TCP for the Web*
- Non-Browser use is where it gets interesting

WebSocket Projects

- Kaazing
- Java EE – **JSR 356, Project Tyrus, Grizzly**
- Node.js/socket.io/SockJS/engine.io
- ActiveMQ
- Tomcat
- Jetty
- Oracle Glassfish
- Play Framework – Reactive Apps
- Rabbit MQ
- JBoss
- IIS/ASP .NET 4.5
- PHP, Objective-C, Ruby, Python, C/C++, JVM-langs…
- Many more… (100+ implementations)

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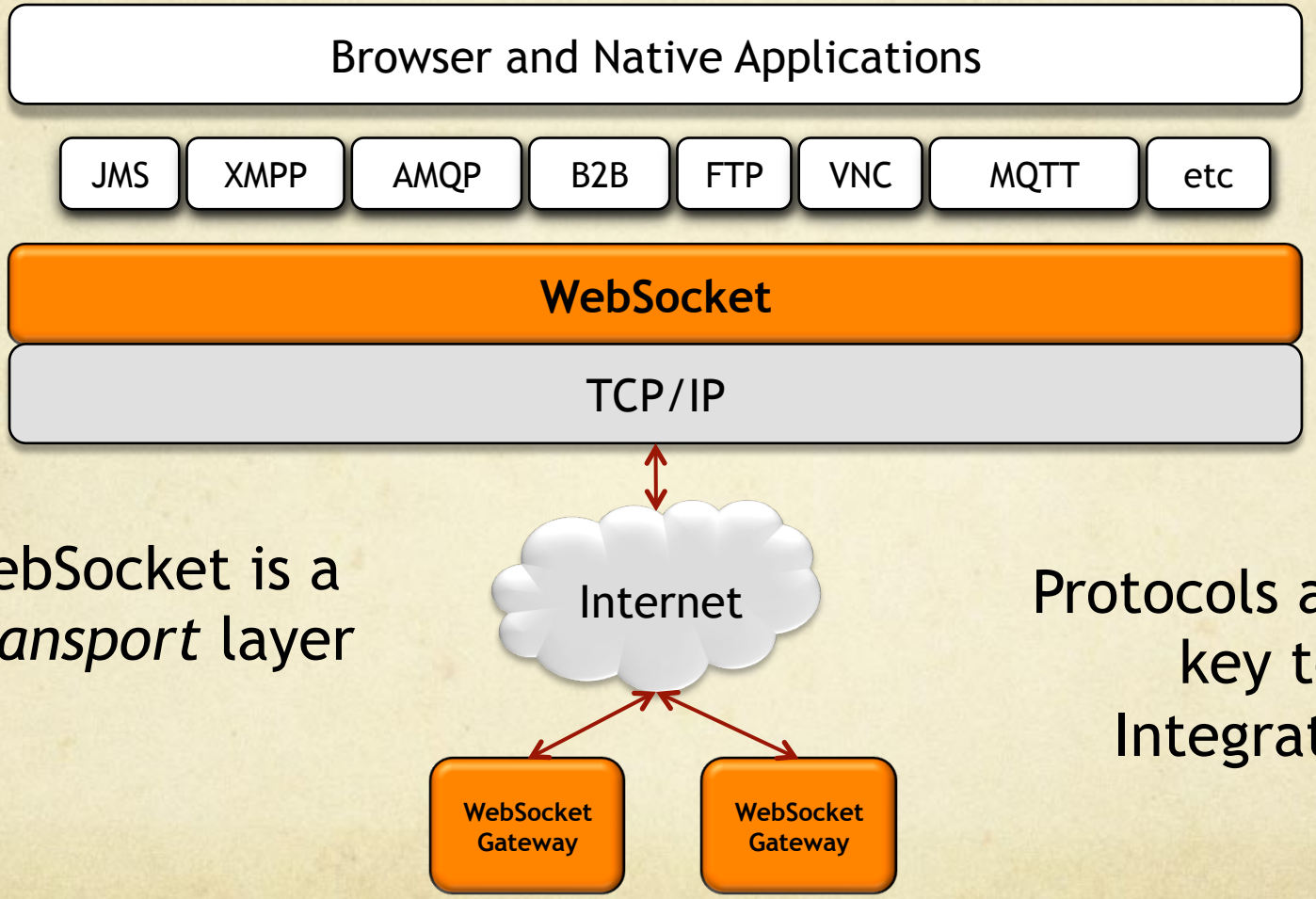
Protocol Layering is Possible



WebSocket is a *Transport* layer

Protocols are the key to Integration

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What do Protocols give us?

Who handles retries?

How can we guarantee delivery?

How do we handle publish/ subscribe semantics?

What do we do with slow consumers, last value cache, etc?

How do we handle market data?

What if the client is not currently active?

How do I handle entitlements? ACL?

What about partial data?

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WoT Now?

The Web of Things

Internet of Things (IoT) – Java ME

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Heterogeneity + Scale + Usability

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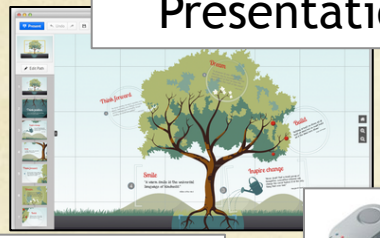
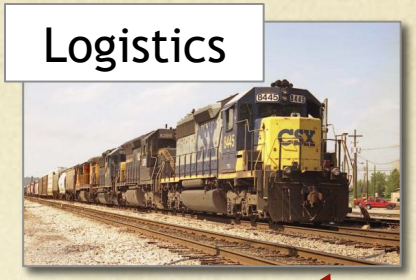
The World is Naturally Event-based ("real-time")

Communication

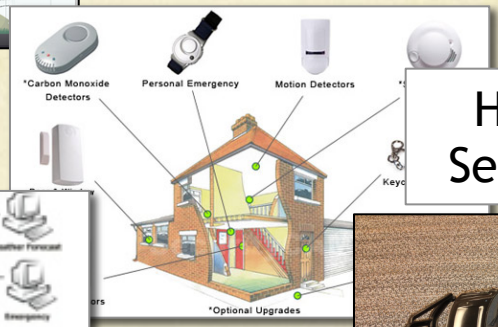


Presentation

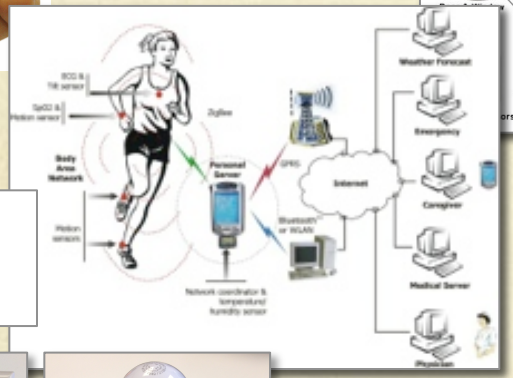
Music



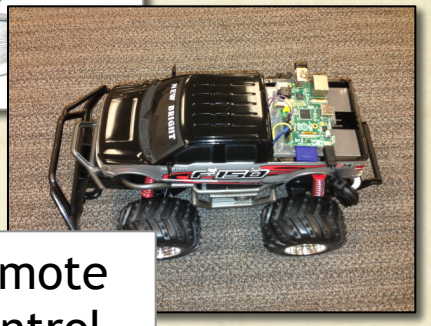
Logistics



Home Security



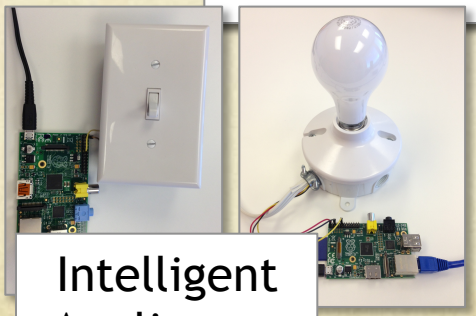
Health Monitoring



Remote control

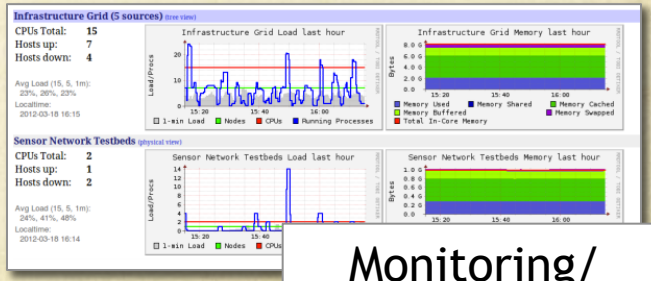
Big Data

Risk Management



Intelligent Appliances

Local Transportation



Monitoring/ Management

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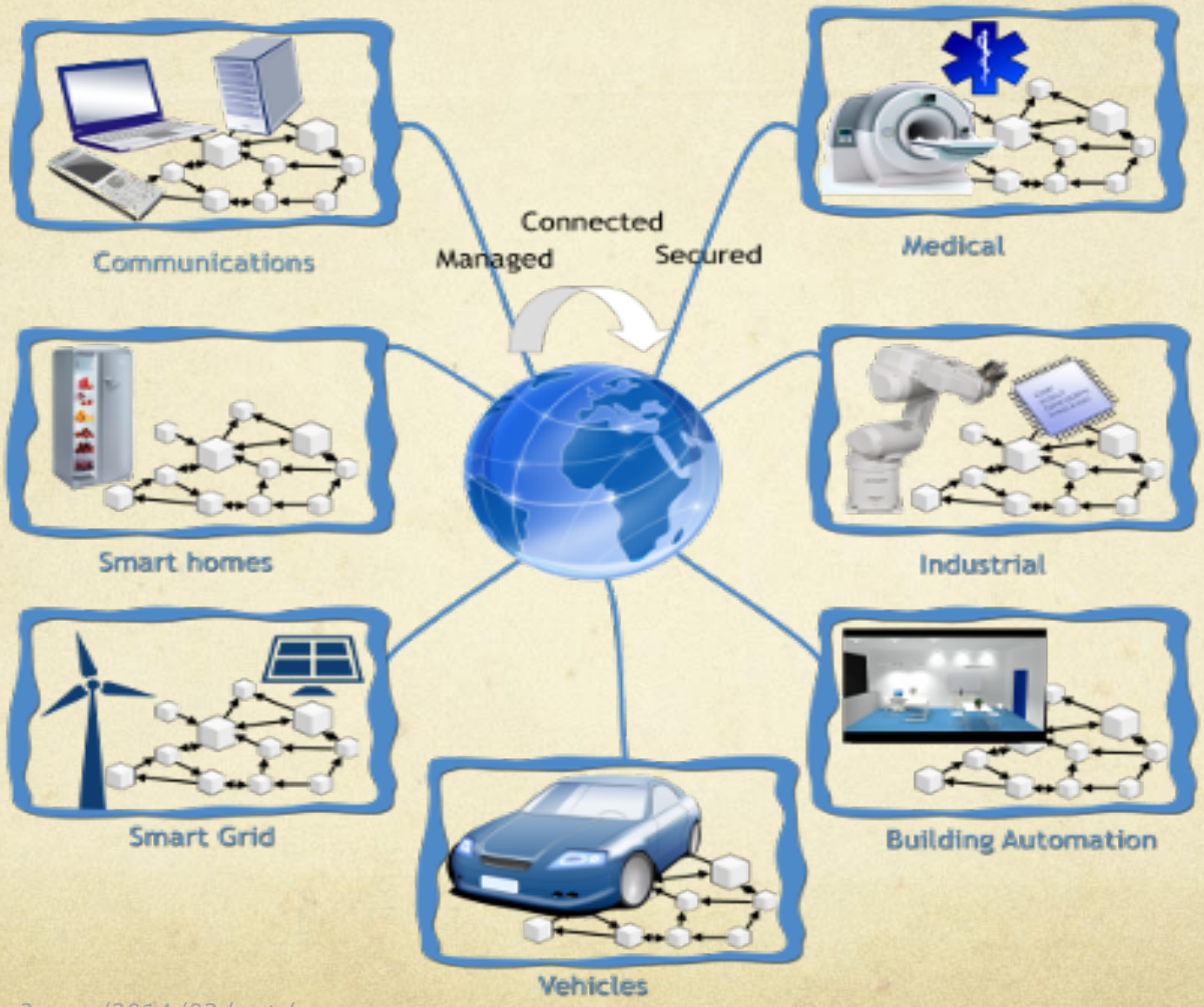
Web of Things – Its All About SERVICES!



http://www.w3.org/2014/02/wot/

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WoT does this have to do with the Web?

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IoT/IIoT – Connectivity isn't Sufficient

- No formal API standards
- Many protocol standards – interoperability low
- No common, wide-reaching frameworks
- No composition possibilities
- Difficult to leverage economies of scale
- Barrier to entry is high for millions of app developers

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Here's Where the Web Comes In

- IoT – Internet of Things

  Embedded computing endowed with Internet connectivity

- WoT – Web of Things

  Application and Services layer over IoT

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Here's Where the Web Comes In

- Apply the benefits of the Web to IoT
- WoT is a uniform interface to access IoT functionality
- Provides the abstraction for control/monitoring (sensors/actuators)
- Accelerates innovation
- Deployment, development, interoperability, economy of scale…

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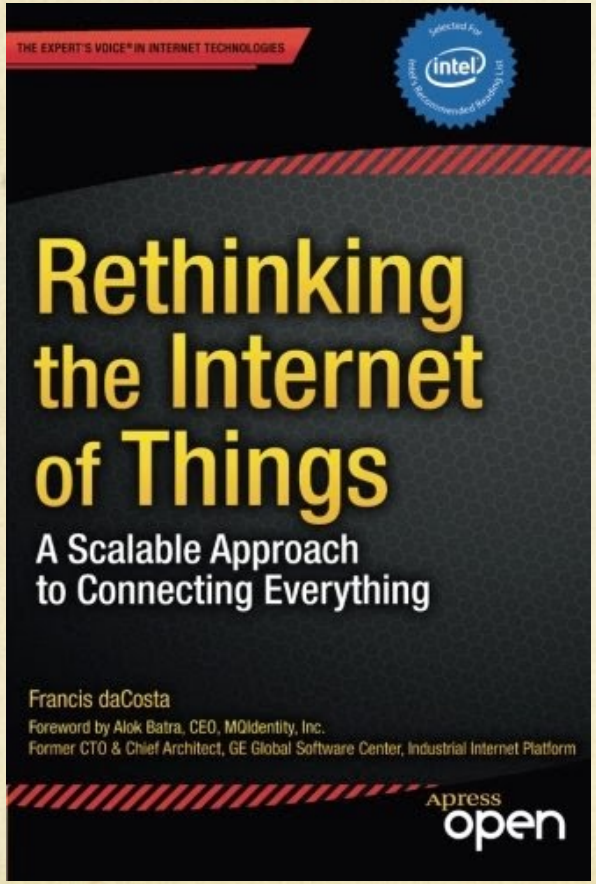
But Is HTTP the Right Choice?

- Disadvantages of HTTP Request/Response
- Lack of resiliency and robustness
- Enterprise events retrieved by resource intensive polling techniques
  - Much bandwidth is wasted
  - Information can be delayed
- Composite services brittle and lack transactionality
- Enterprises learned advantages of ESB 10+ years ago
- See failures of CORBA, Sun RPC, etc.
- Clumsy AJAX/Comet workarounds to simulate real-time

The Message is the Medium



"…terse, self-classified messages, networking overhead isolated to a specialized tier of devices, and ***publish/subscribe*** relationships are the only way to fully distill the power of the coming Internet of Things" – Francis daCosta

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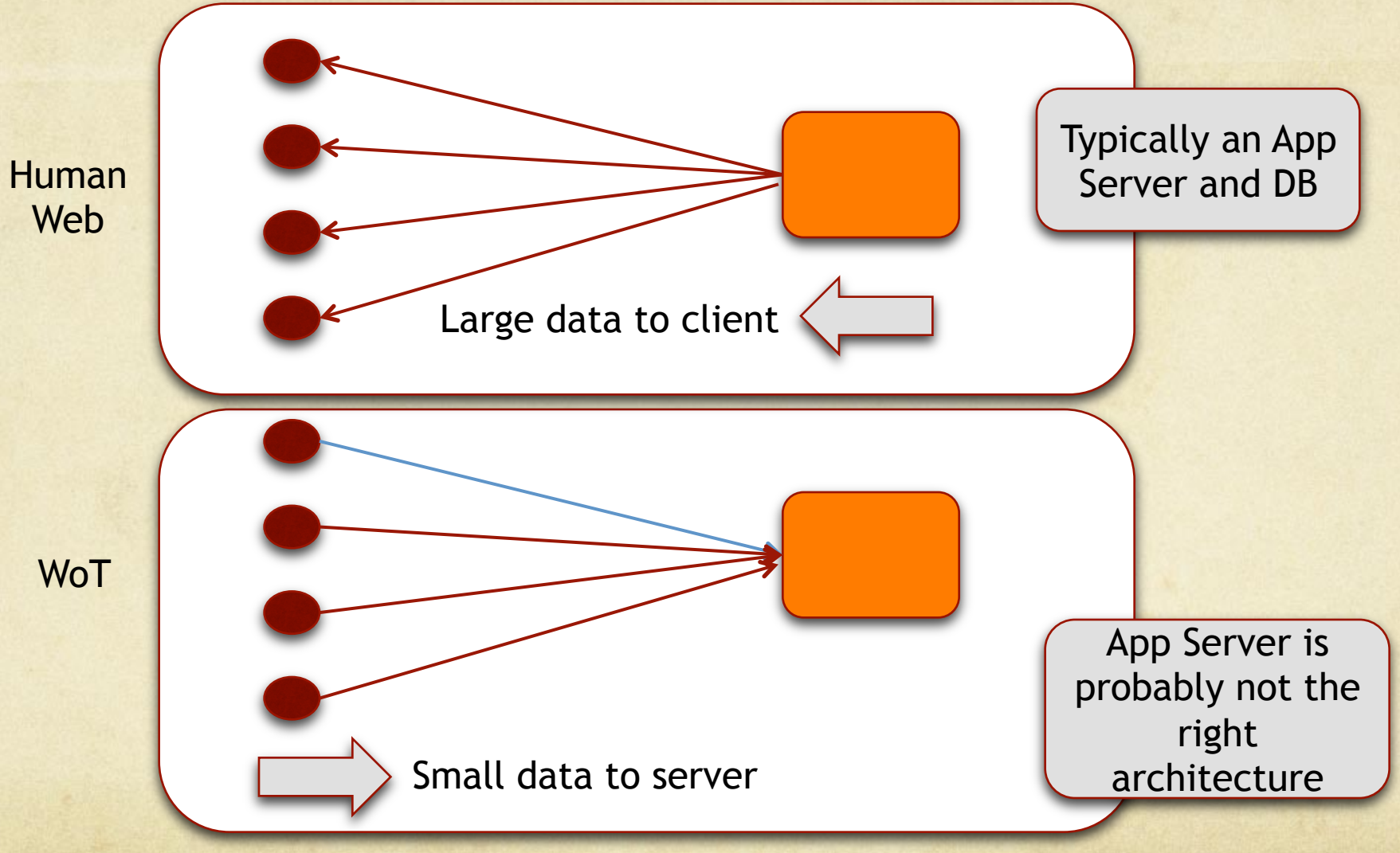
Data Flow – Human Web vs WoT



Do human-readable protocols make sense for non-humans?

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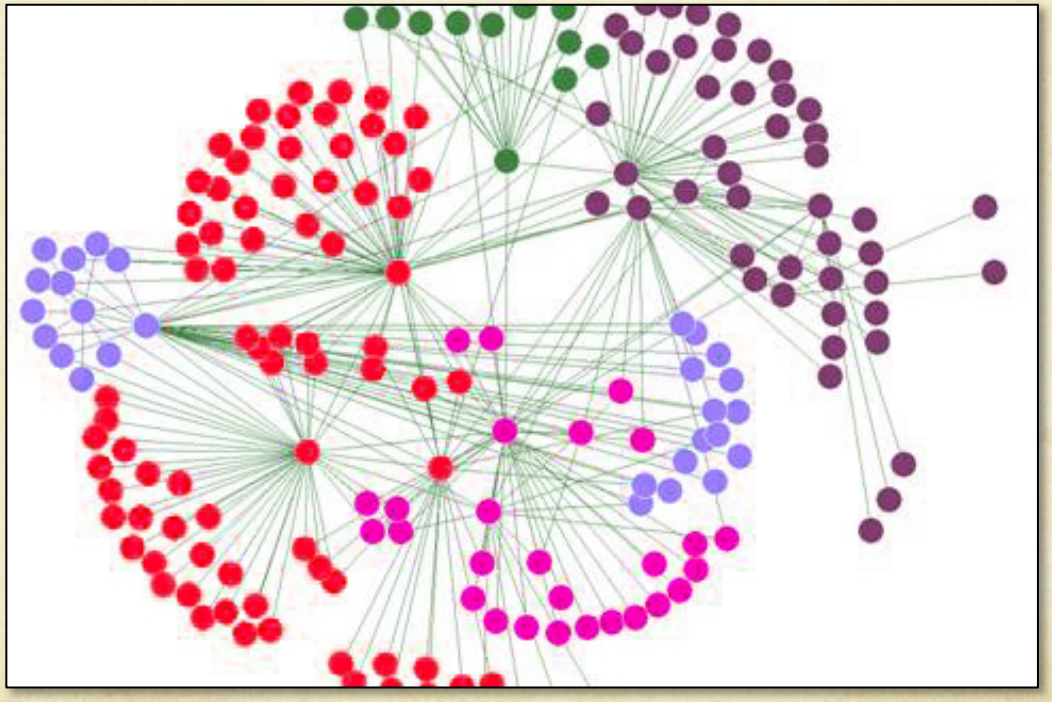
Microservices



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Why are we talking about Microservices?

- It's an SOA (*lightweight SOA*)
- It's SOA without WS-*, SOAP, etc, crap
- Older technique now useful with modern infrastructure
- An App is a Collection of Services
- Nothing really "micro" about Microservices
- If you need more than two pizzas to feed the team with the largest service, its not small enough

Monoliths vs Microservices

Monoliths

- Long builds, complex internals, scale issues
- Scale by replicating entire monolith on multiple servers
- Hard to modify
- Not necessarily bad – depends on team

Monoliths vs Microservices

Microservices

- Small services – more agile
- Scale by replicating services
- Independent distributed services
- The Unix way
  - `% cat myfile | tr "A-Z" "a-z" | tr -cs 'a-z' '\n' | sort | uniq`
- Requires more management
- Still early

But we've had this idea for a while…
Let's take a step back

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A Trip Down Memory Lane…

In the beginning…

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History of Separate, Protected Environments

- IBM VM/370 – 1972
  - hypervisor emulated a machine
  - Separate addr space, virtual devices, fs
- Unix chroot(2) – 1979 Unix V7
  - Created a virtual root of fs
  - Useful for testing a clean environment
  - Shared users, procs, network – imperfect
- BSD Jails - 2000
  - Virtual root fs, hostname, IP addr, users, su
  - Still shared host OS

History of Separate, Protected Environments

- Solaris – Zones/Containers - 2004
  - Totally isolated, secure system resources
  - “Zones” renamed “Containers” then back to “Zones”
  - Separate CPU resources, memory and network
  - Very low overhead. No hypervisor required
- LXC – Linux Containers – 2008
  - Run multiple Linux instances on a single Linux
  - Uses cgroups – to manage cpu, memory, i/o, of a collection of processes
- Docker – 2013
  - Auto deployment
  - Adds its own libcontainer for linux virtualization
  - Rides PaaS trend

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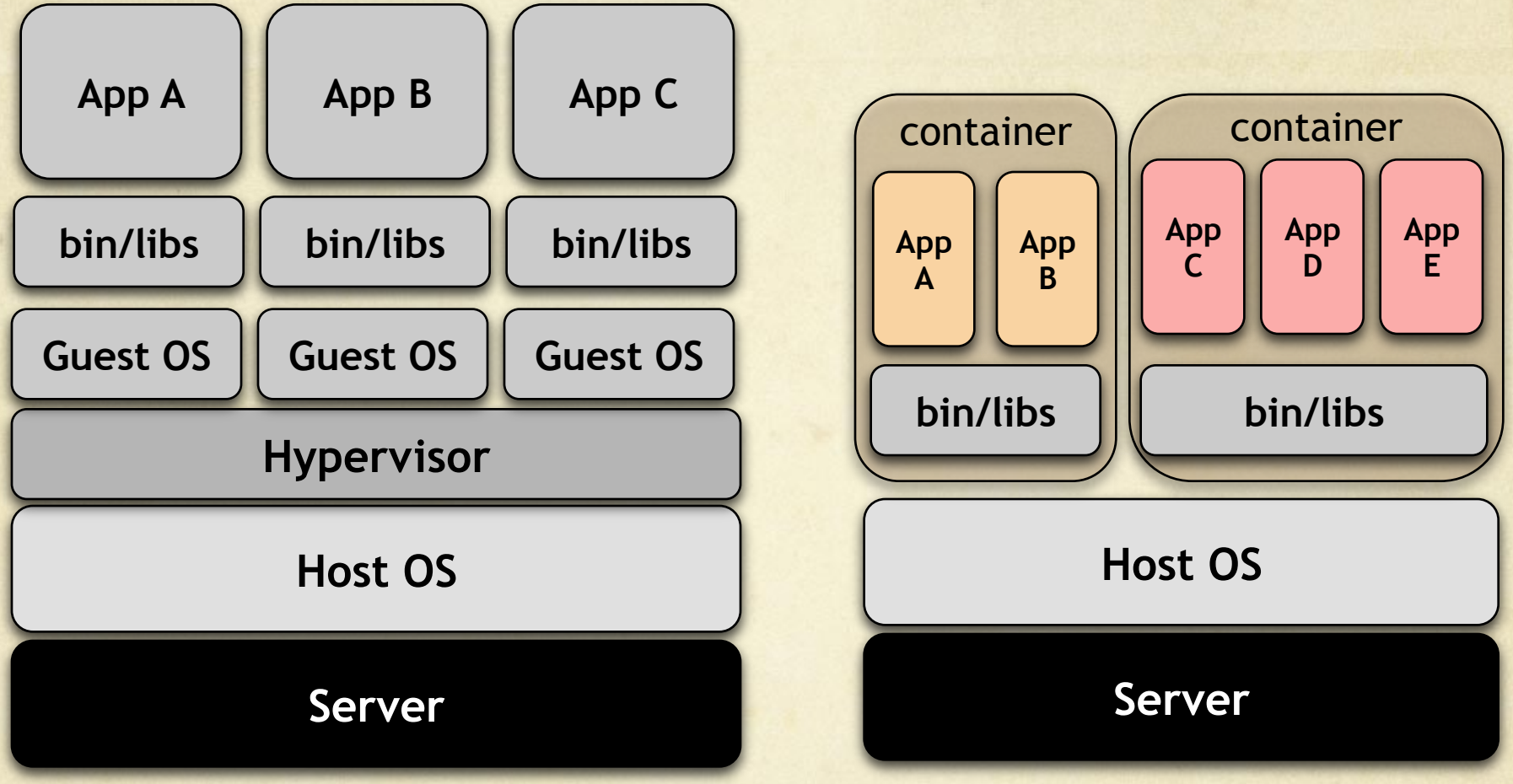
Containers vs Virtual Machines (VM)



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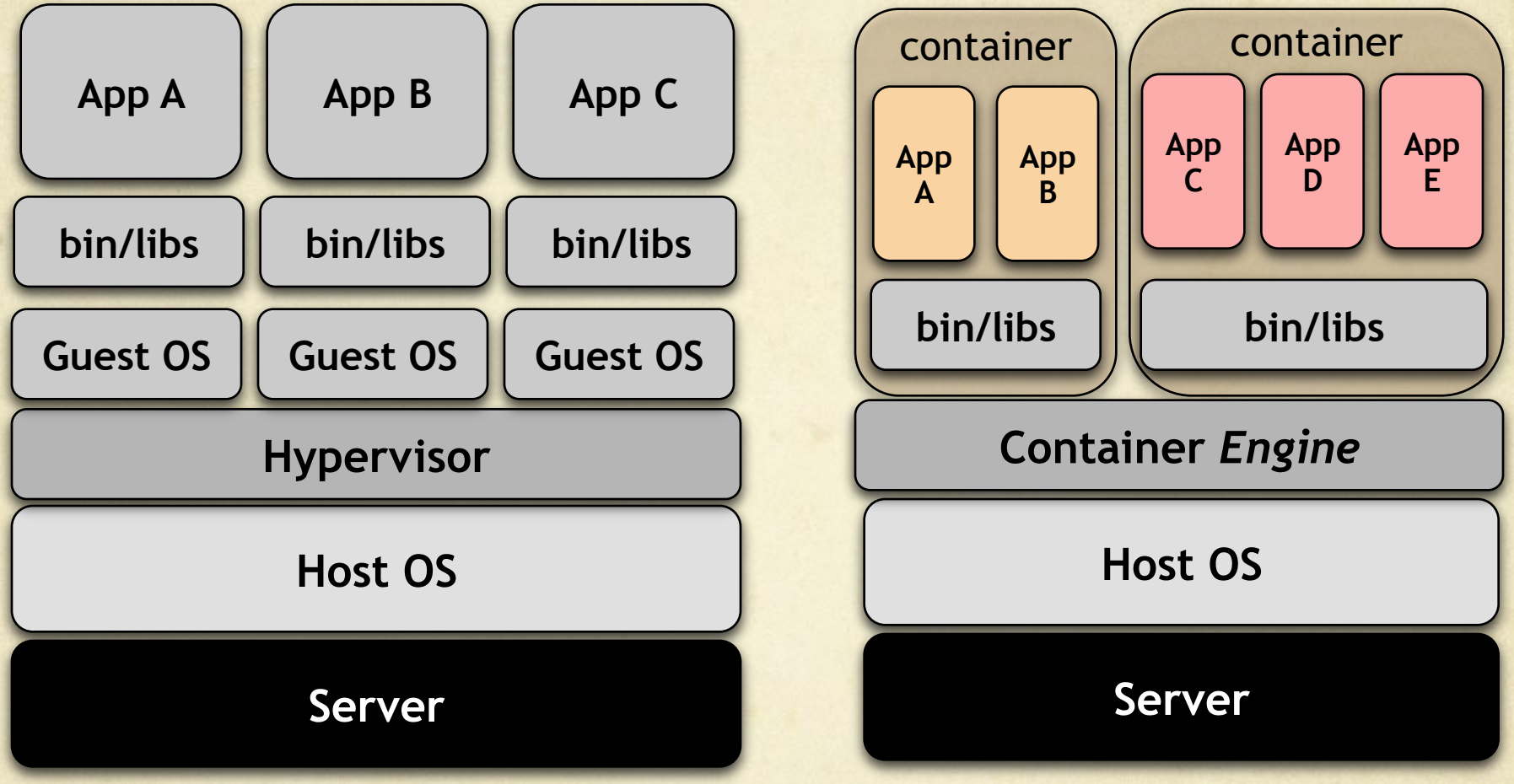

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Clouds and Microservices – the bottom line

- More services per an OS
- Greater Services Mobility – dev and ops
- Easier application patching
- Faster provisioning
  - 10 min for VM, 10 sec (or less) for microservice
- Container internals visible to help maximize optimization
- Avoids cloud framework lock
- Intercloud portability
- Allows services to be located most appropriate part of architecture
- Allows policies to be applied per container

Clouds and Microservices – the bottom line

- The *Microservices Synchronicity Penalty*
- Many ecommerce sites use 150-200 microservices for personalization. Amazon.com
- Many are REST-based… ie, synchronous (wait for a reply). And many are chained, so the penalty is additive.
- Significant resources are needed for high levels of scalability (S = G/C)

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Cloud Connectivity

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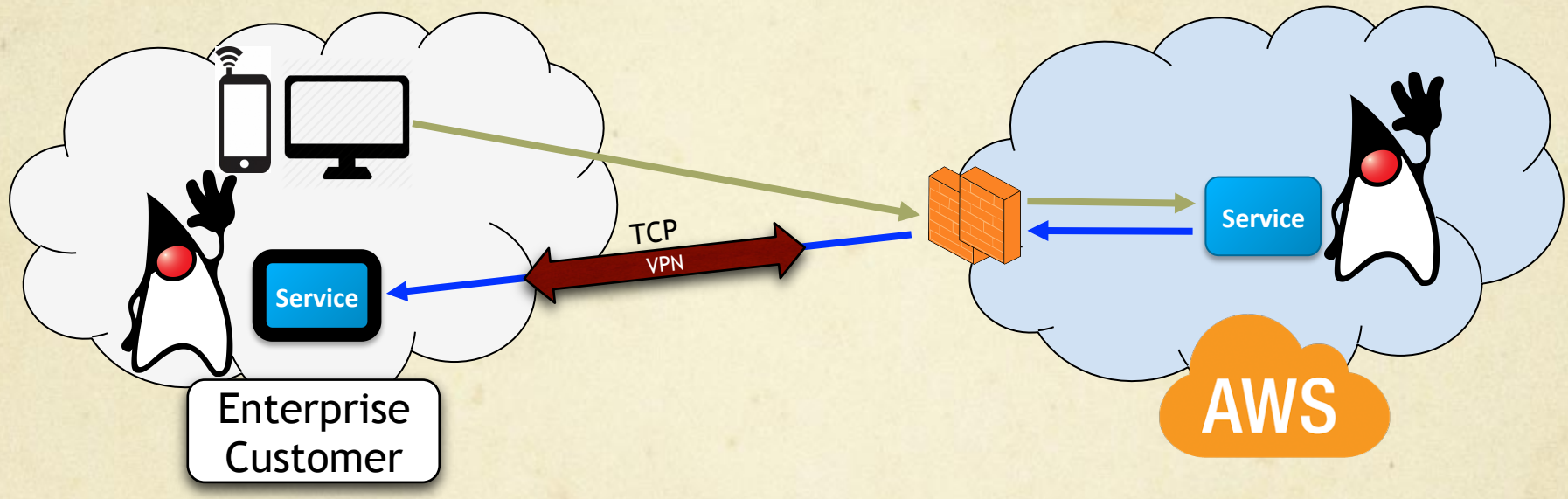
WebSocket for Hybrid Cloud Connectivity

Cloud services frequently require on-premises access



- Access must be on-demand, secure and real-time
- Requires lengthy VPN installation process, open ports or worse

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Demos

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TodoMVC – Angular with WebSocket

TodoMVC

Helping you **select** an MV* framework

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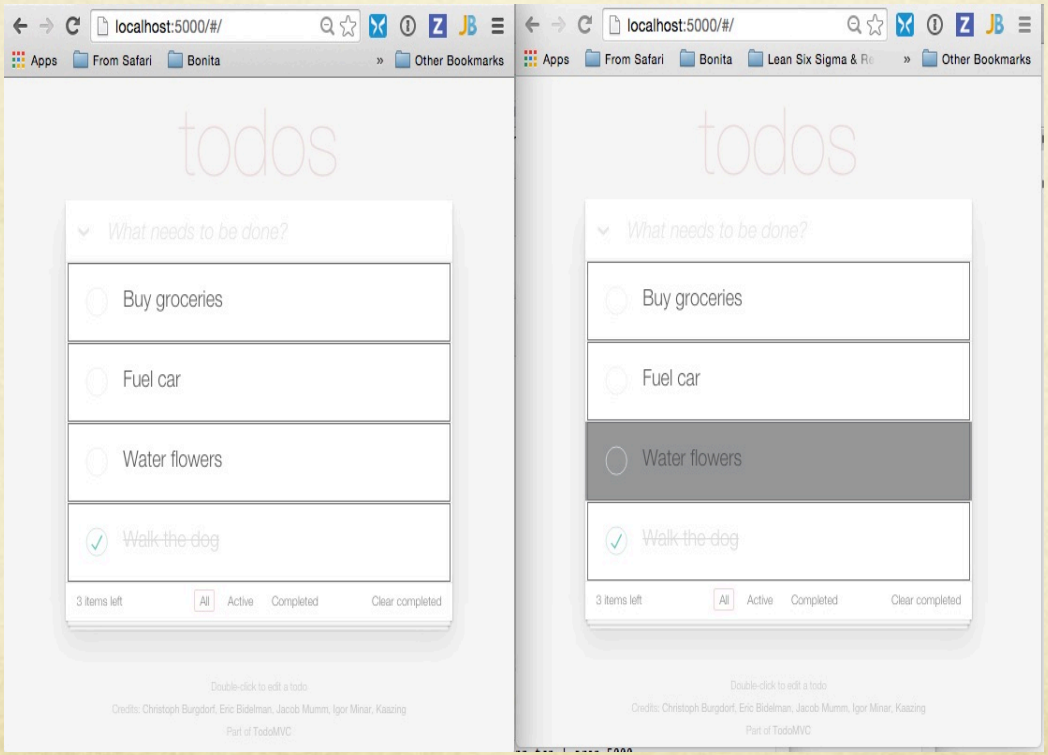

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Stretching Web Communication to Its Limits

Browser - Server

Native (mobile, desktop) - Server

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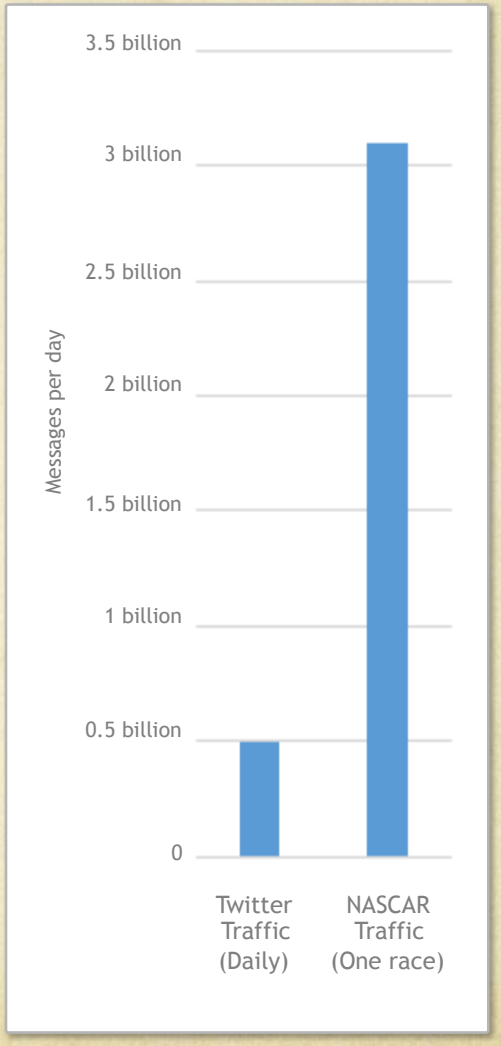
Over a Billion Messages an Hour

In a single 3½ hour race,
[racing company] broadcasts
over 6 times as many messages
as Twitter does in an entire day



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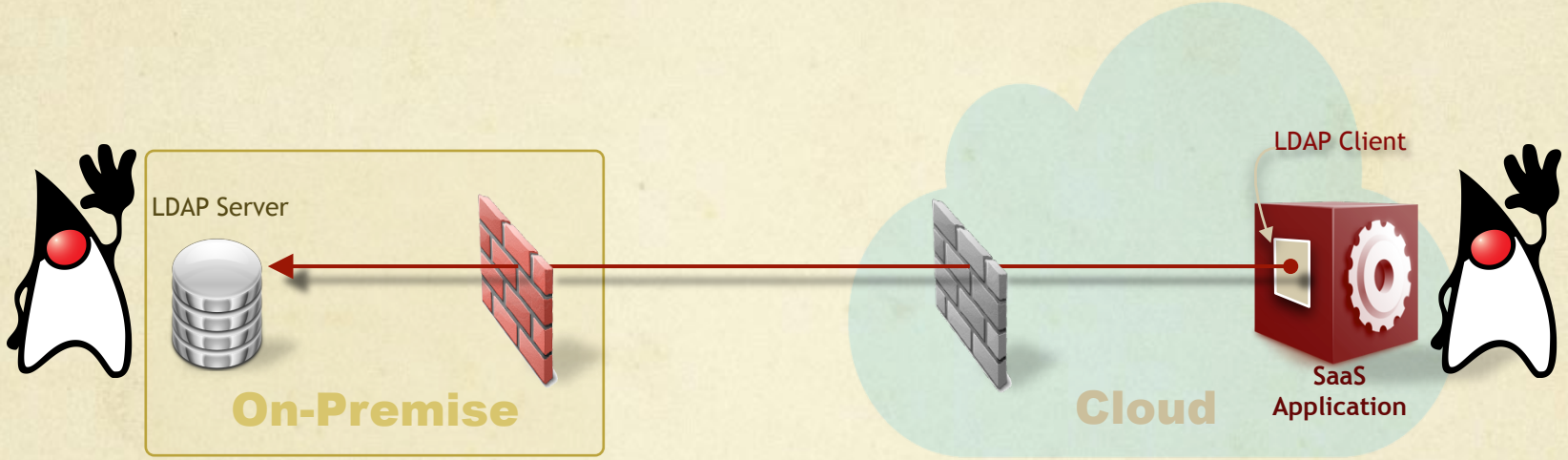

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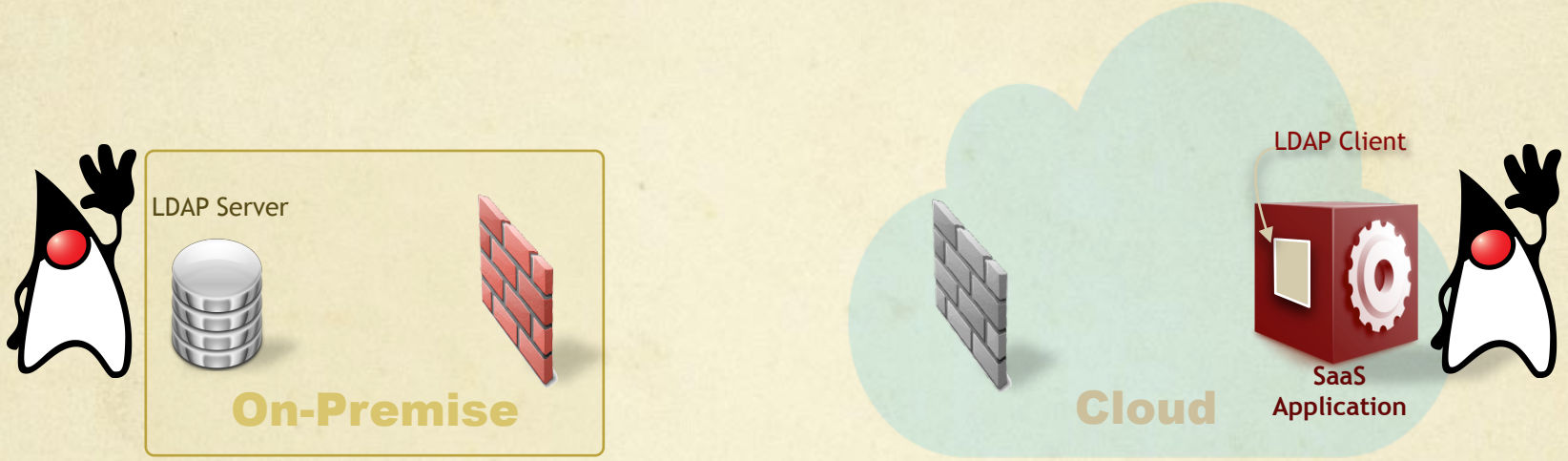

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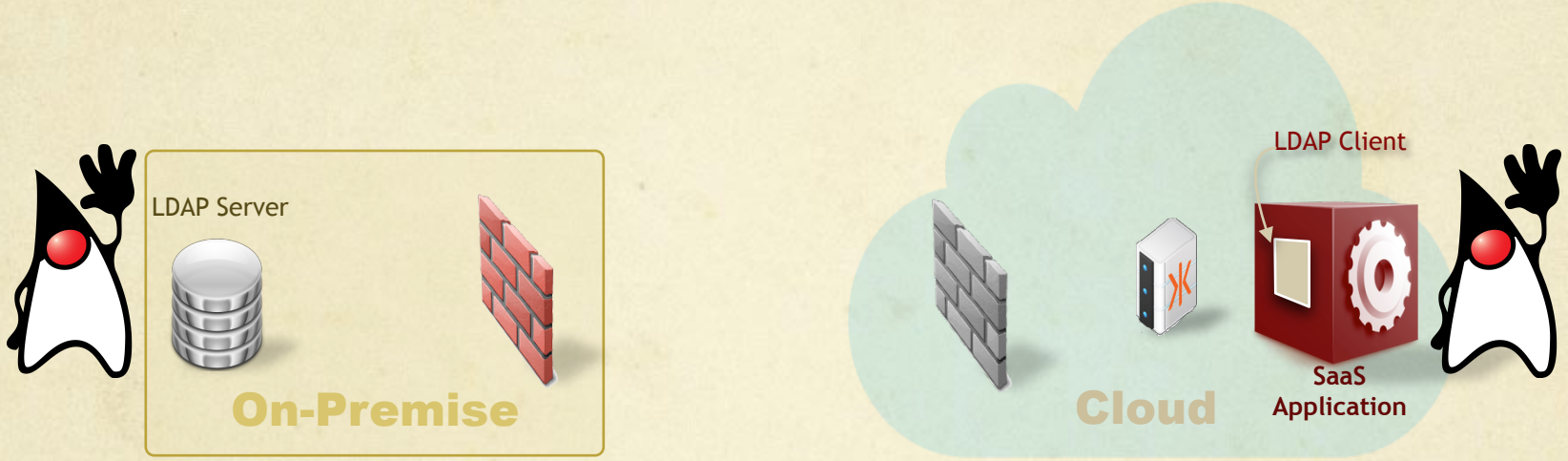

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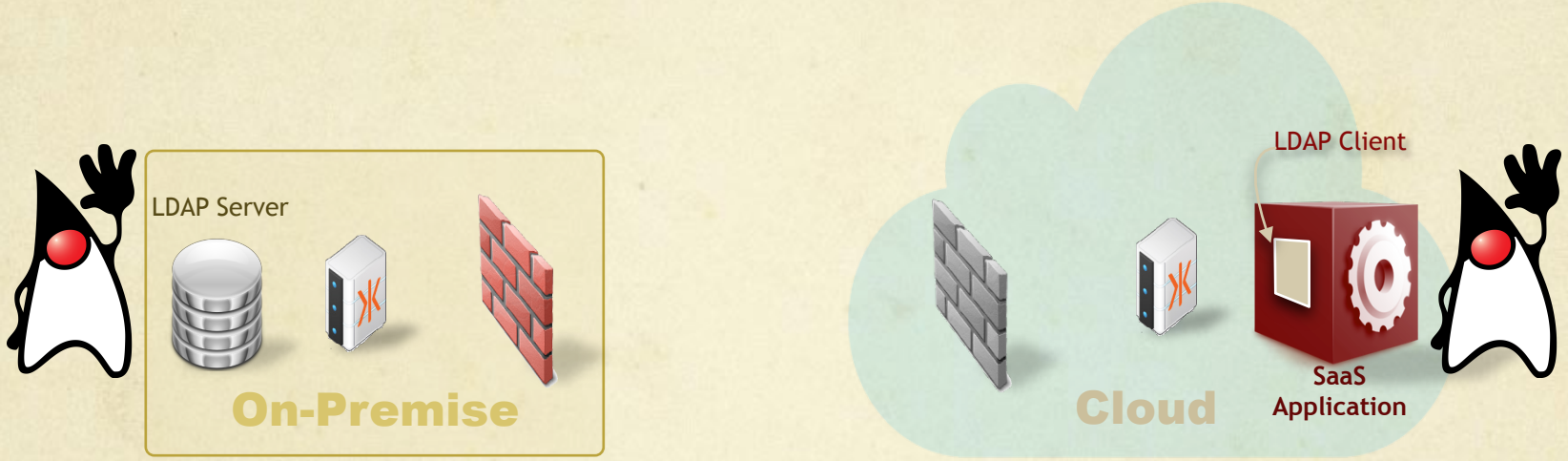

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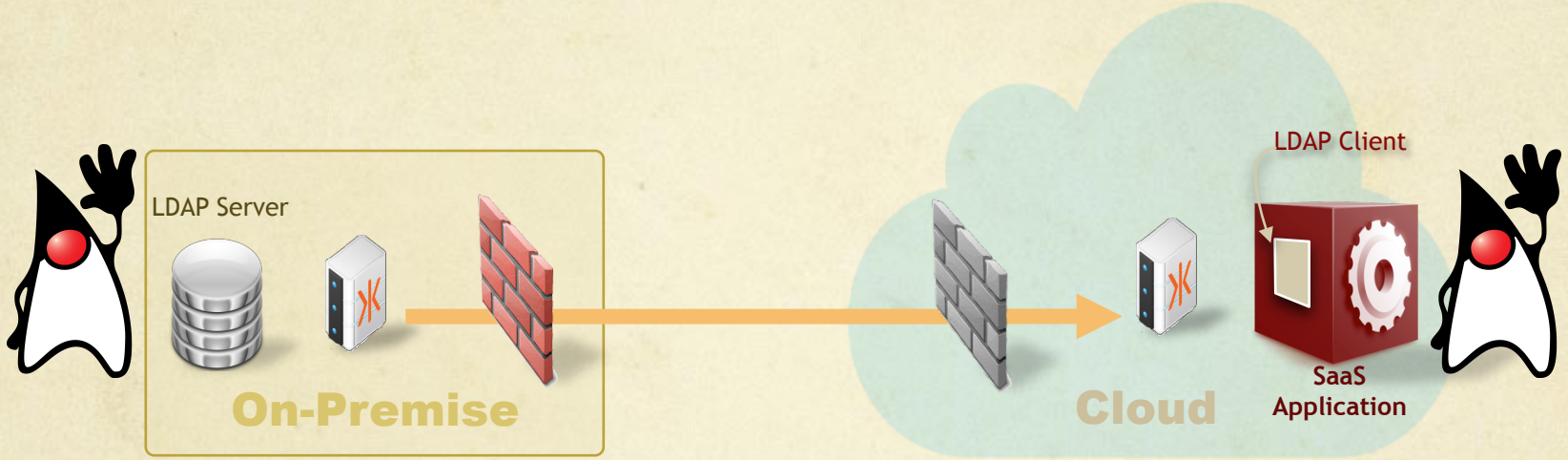

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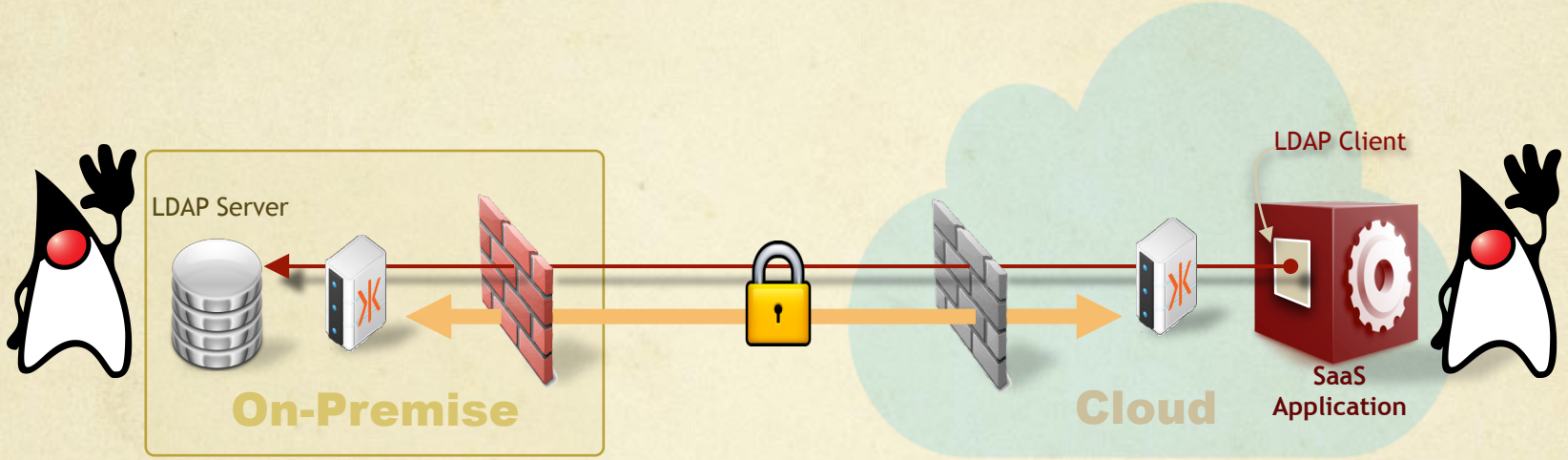

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Raffle time

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% echo $(( $RANDOM % 50 + 1 ))
45
```

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