

WRITE ONCE. SCALE ANYWHERE.

GigaSpaces Technologies



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<pre>> SELECT * FROM qcon2010.speakers WHERE name='Uri Cohen'</pre>									
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```
db.speakers.find({name:"Uri Cohen"})
```

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Agenda

SQL

- What it is and isn't good for

• NoSQL

- Motivation & Main Concepts of Modern Distributed Data Stores
- Common interaction models
 - Key/Value, Column, Document
 - NOT consistency and distribution algorithms

• One Data Store, Multiple APIs

- Brief intro to GigaSpaces
- Key/Value challenges
- SQL challenges: Add-hoc querying, Relationships (JPA)

A FEW (MORE) WORDS ABOUT SQL





(Usually) Centralized → Transactional, consistent → Hard to Scale







Static, normalized data schema

• Don't duplicate, use FKs







Add hoc query support → Model first, query later

select users.user_id, users.email, count(*), max(classified_ads.posted) where users.user_id = classified_ads.user_id group by users.user_id, users.email order by upper(users.email);





Standard → Well known → Rich ecosystem





(BRIEF) NOSQL RECAP





A loosely coupled collection of **non-relational data stores**





(Mostly) distributed





scalable (Up & Out)



Not (always) ACID • BASE anyone?







Timing is everything...

- Exponential Increase in data & throughput
- Non or semi structured data that changes frequently





A Universe of Data Models

Key / Value



Column



Document





• Have the key? Get the value

- That's about it when it comes to querying
- Map/Reduce (sometimes)
- Good for
 - cache aside (e.g. Hibernate 2nd level cache)
 - Simple, id based interactions (e.g. user profiles)
- In most cases, values are Opaque





Scaling out is relatively easy (just hash the keys)

- Some will do that automatically for you
- Fixed vs. consistent hashing







Key/Value

• Implementations:

- Memcached, Redis, Riak
- In memory data grids (mostly Java-based) started this way

***riak**

Redis

• GigaSpaces, Oracle Coherence, WebSphere XS, JBoss Infinispan, etc.





Column Based







SimpleDB







- Mostly derived from Google's BigTable / Amazon Dynamo papers
- One giant table of rows and columns
 - Column == pair (name and a value, sometimes timestamp)
 - Each row can have a different number of columns
 - Table is sparse:

```
(#rows) \times (#columns) \ge (#values)
```

Column Based

Query on row key

- Or column value (aka secondary index)
- Good for a constantly changing, (albeit flat) domain model

row_key	col_name ₁	 col_name _n
	col_value ₁	col_value _n









Document



Document

• Model is not flat, data store is aware of it

- Arrays, nested documents
- Better support for ad hoc queries
 - MongoDB excels at this
- Very intuitive model
- Flexible schema

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What if you didn't have to choose?





A Brief Intro to GigaSpaces

In Memory Data Grid

• With optional write behind to a secondary storage





A Brief Intro to GigaSpaces

Tuple based

- Aware of nested tuples (and soon collections)
 - Document like
- Rich querying and map/reduce semantics





A Brief Intro to GigaSpaces

Transparent partitioning & HA

• Fixed hashing based on a chosen property





Transactional (Like, ACID)

- Local (single partition)
- Distributed (multiple partitions)





Use the Right API for the Job

• Even for the same data...

- POJO & JPA for Java apps with complex domain model
- **Document** for a more dynamic view
- Memcached for simple, language neutral data access
- **JDBC** for:
 - Interaction with legacy apps
 - Flexible ad-hoc querying (e.g. projections)





Memcached (the Daemon is in the Details)



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SQL/JDBC – Query Them All

Query may involve Map/Reduce

• Reduce phase includes merging and sorting





SQL/JDBC – Things to Consider

- Unique and FK constraints are not practically enforceable
- Sorting and aggregation may be expensive
- Distributed transactions are evil
 - Stay local...



It's all about relationships...





JPA Relationships

To **embed** or not to embed, that is the question....



- ✓ Easy to partition and scale
- ✓ Easy to query:

```
user.accounts[*].type = `checking'
```

× **Owned relationships only**

JPA Relationships

To embed or **not to embed**, that is the question....



- ✓ Any type of relationship
- × Partitioning is hard
- × Querying involves joining





• One API doesn't fit all

- Use the right API for the job
- Know the tradeoffs
 - Always ask what you're giving up, not just what you're gaining



THANK YOU!

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