

Event-driven Architecture: Orchestrating Cloud Native Workflows

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Today's Agenda

- Event-driven architecture overview and key concepts
- Core benefits of EDA and why to use it
- Common usage patterns in EDA
- Orchestration vs Choreography
- Considerations while building an EDA
- Best practices
- Demo - Error Handling
- Helpful resources



EDA - Powering Agility and Scalability

- Events are inclusive in modern applications
- EDA drives innovation across industries
- A central point to modern applications
- Communication between services and development teams
- Many comprehensive toolkits availability



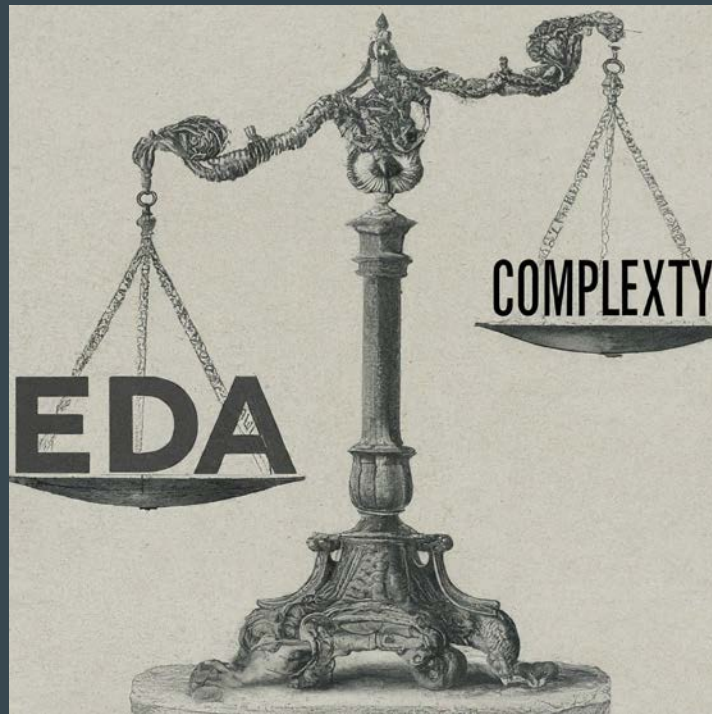
Core Values of Event-Driven Architectures

- Independent feature build and development
- Enhanced Scalability and Resilience
- Effortless feature integration in the current app
- Loose coupling and modularity
- Asynchronous processing



Why to Use EDA

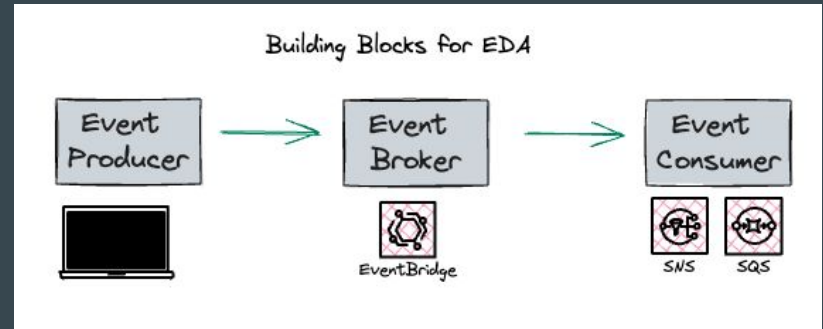
- Real-time updates
- Effortless scaling
- Targeted communication
- Simplified integration
- Security and privacy
- Minimize resource utilization



Key Concepts of Event-Driven Architectures

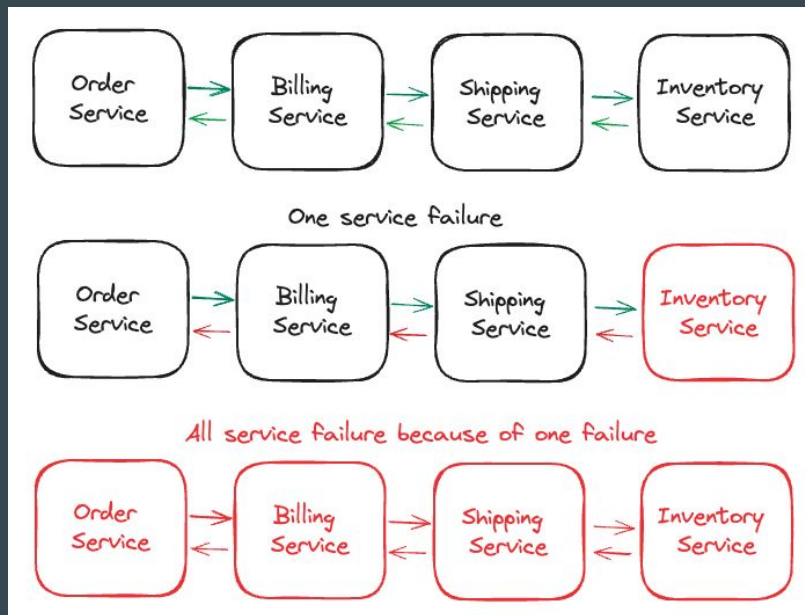
There are several building blocks

- Events: Signals of state changes
- Immutable and observable
- Producers: Publish events
- Consumers: Downstream components that react to events
- Event Brokers: Mediate communication
 - Event Routers: Push events to targets
 - Event Stores: Consumers pull events



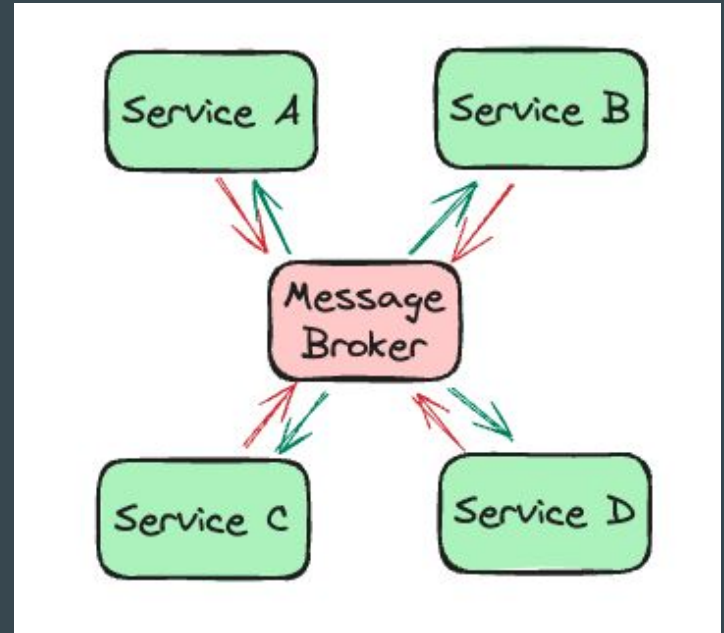
Tight Coupling vs. Loose Coupling

- Drawbacks of tight coupling
 - Development Challenges
 - Scalability issues
 - And so on
- E-commerce Example: Tightly coupled services (orders, billing, shipping, inventory) create a fragile flow



Tight Coupling vs. Loose Coupling

- Loose coupling: the power of Events



Idempotency

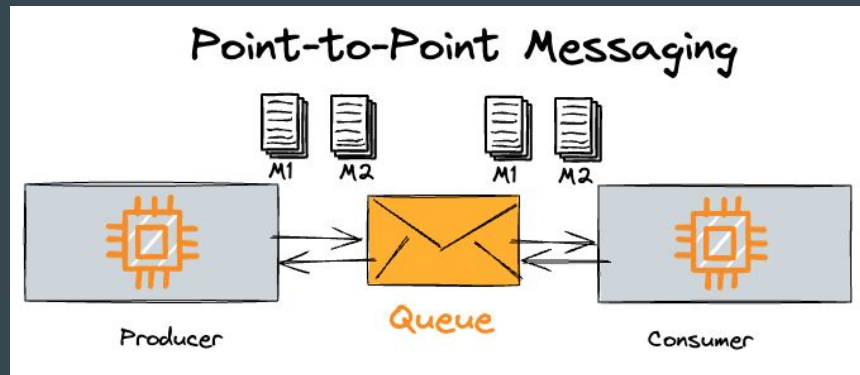
- Have no unintended consequences upon retries
- Crucial concept for EDA due to inherent retry mechanisms
- Techniques for achieving idempotency:
 - Building idempotent services.
 - Utilizing idempotency keys in events.

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{
  "source": "com.orders",
  "detail-type": "OrderCreated",
  "detail": {
    "metadata": {
      "idempotency-key": "XXXXXXXXXX"
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  }
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Common Patterns of EDA

Point-to-Point Messaging

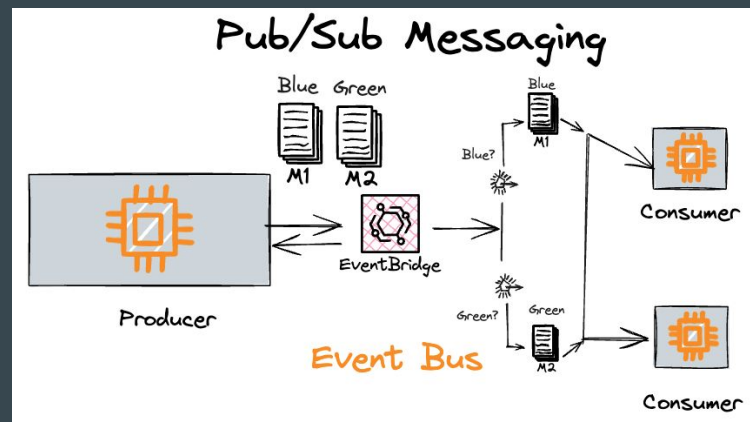
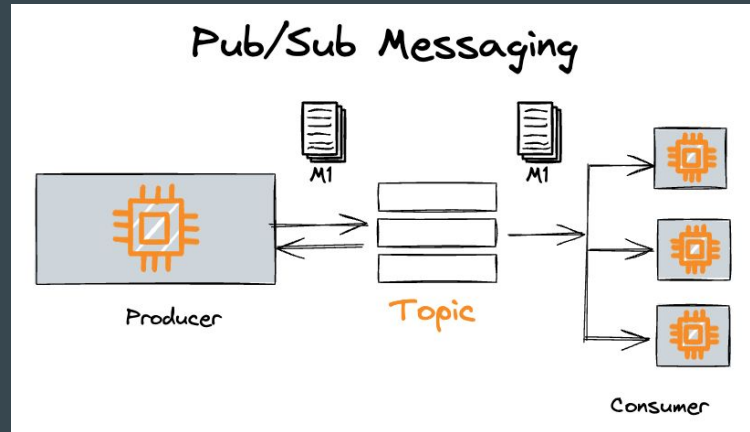
- Producers send messages to a single consumer.
- Messaging queues serve as event brokers.
- Messages persist until consumed, ensuring reliability.
- "Dumb pipes" in microservices communication



Common Patterns of EDA

Publish-Subscribe Messaging

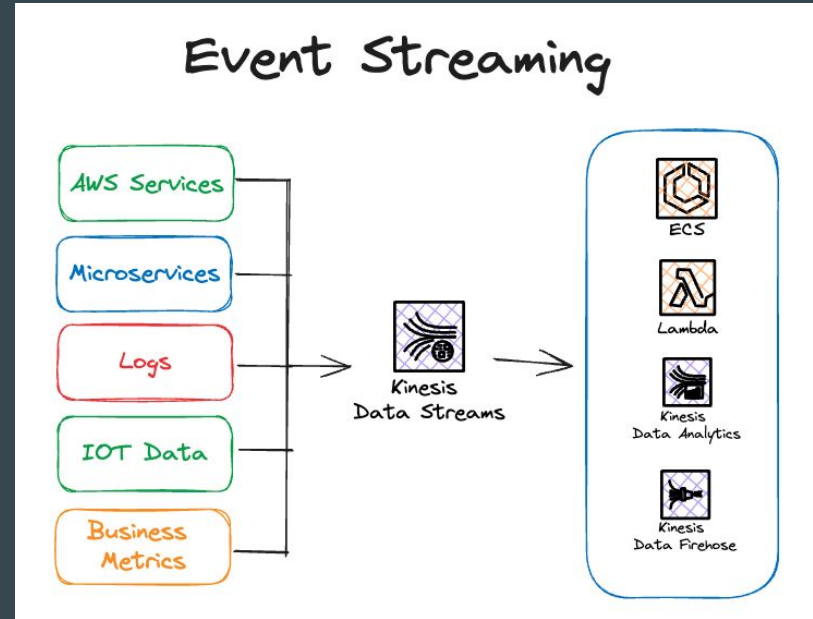
- Producers send the same message to one or many consumers.
- Utilizes event routers instead of queues.
- Generally lacks event persistence.
- Event bus (another event router type)



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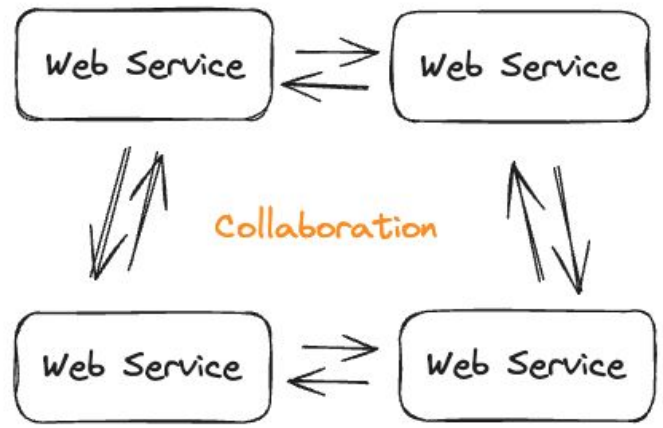
Event streaming

- Continuous flows of events or data
- Consumers typically poll for new events
- Event streams can be processed individually or collectively over time.
- Data streams interpret data over time, often used for real-time analytics or data persistence.

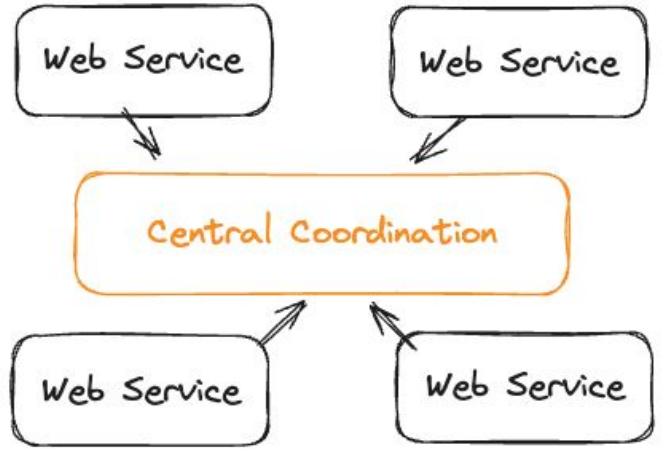


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Choreography



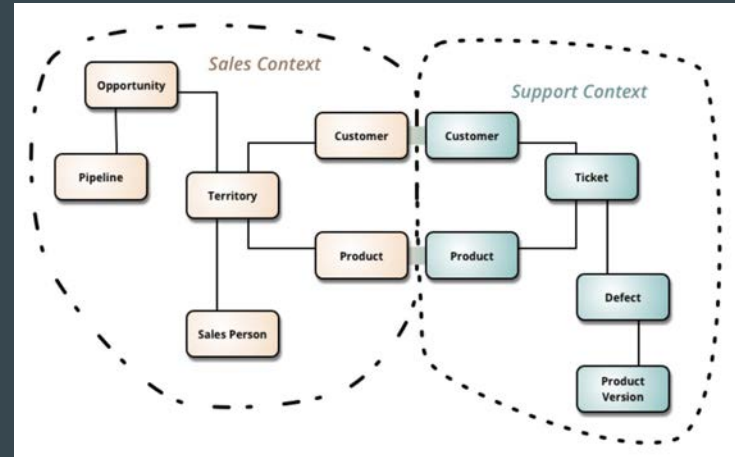
Orchestration



Common Patterns of EDA

Choreography

- Ideal for communication between Bounded Contexts.
- Producers focus on event delivery (fire-and-forget).
- Event schema ensures message clarity.
- Reduces dependencies between contexts (loose coupling).
- Use EventBridge as event bus

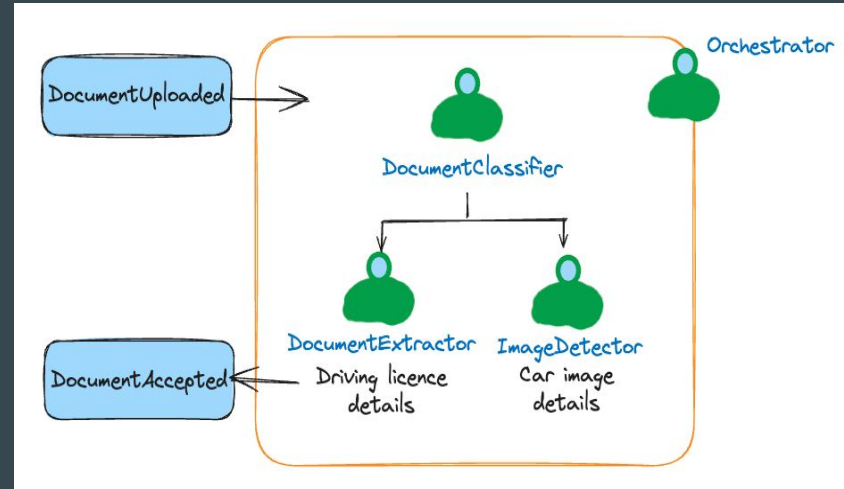


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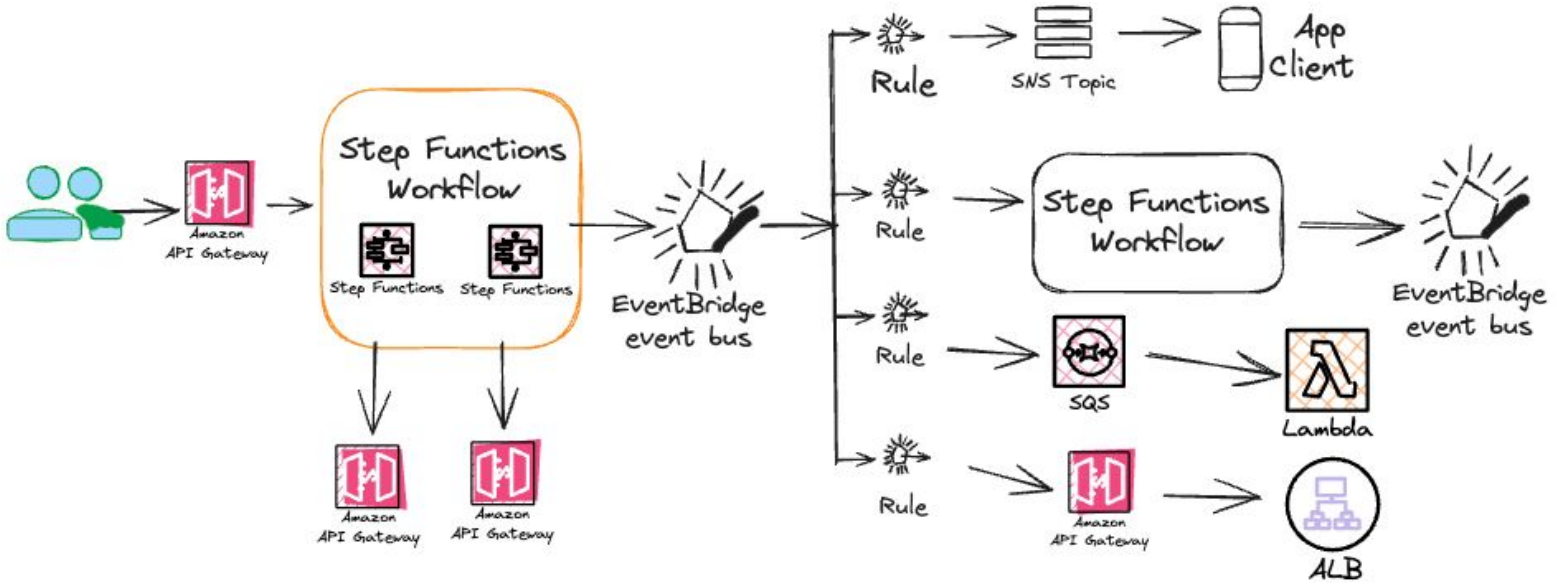
Orchestration

- Manages service integration sequence
- Maintains application state for complex workflows
- Handles errors and retries
- Use AWS Step Functions, Amazon MWAA



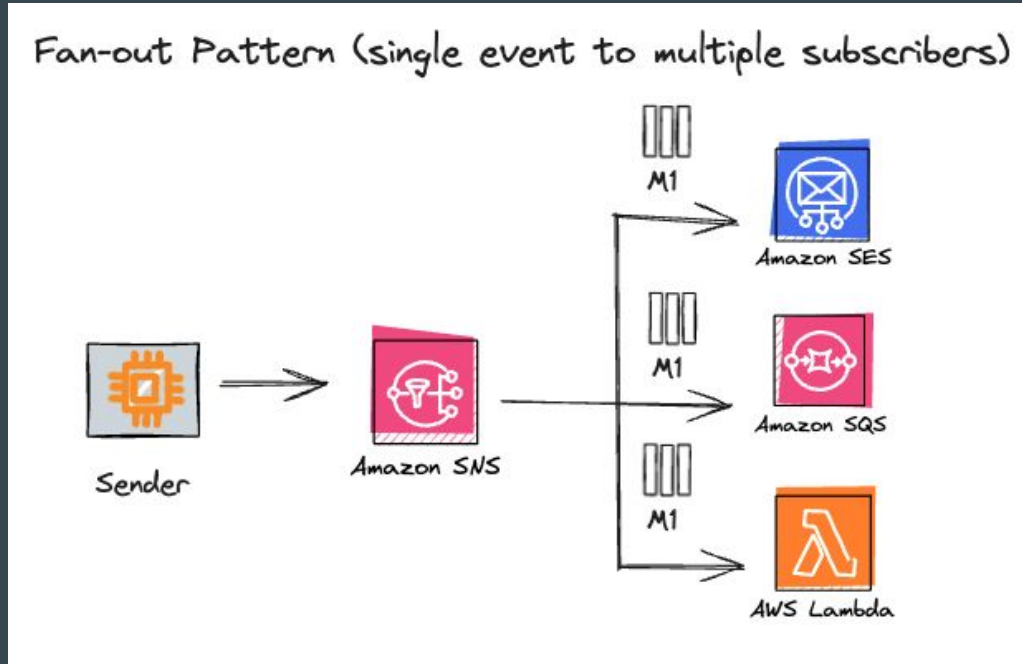
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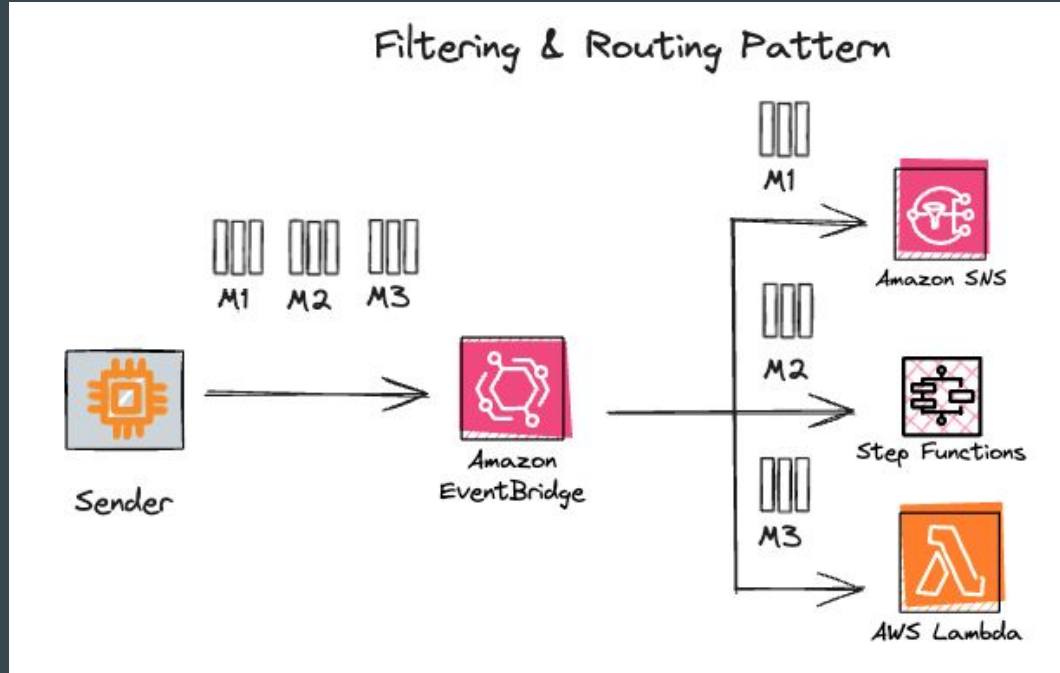
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Fan-out: Distributing a single event to multiple subscribers



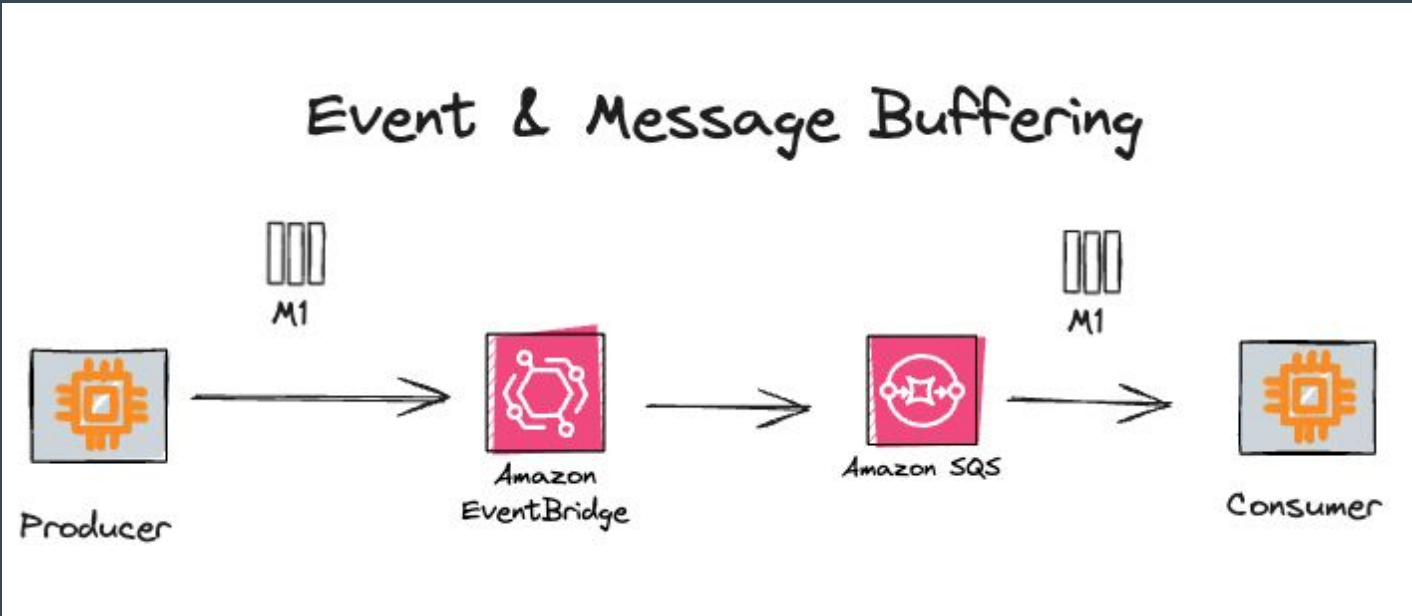
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Event Filtering & Routing: Directing events to specific targets



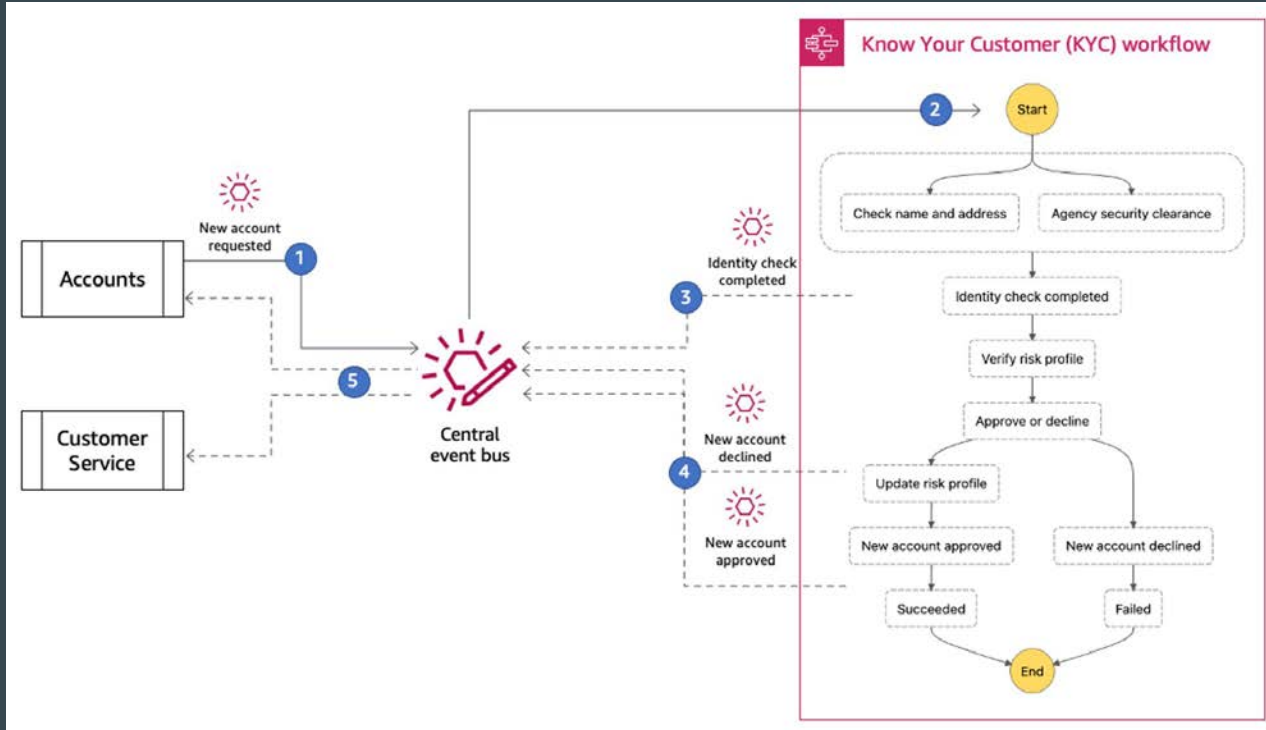
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Event and Message Buffering



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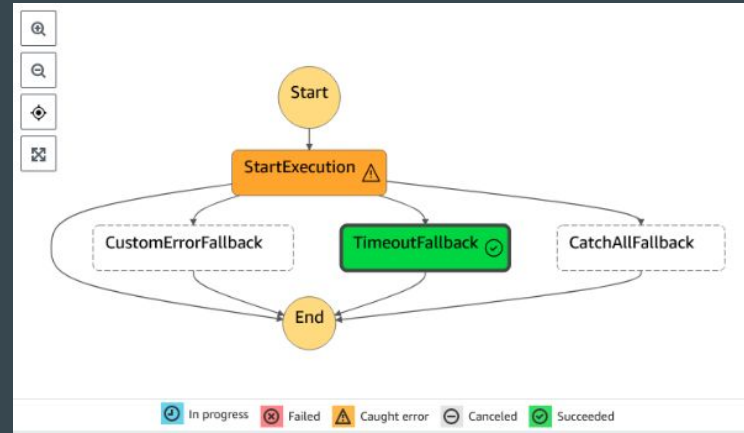
Workflow Orchestration



<https://aws.amazon.com/blogs/compute/introducing-the-amazon-eventbridge-service-integration-for-aws-step-functions/>

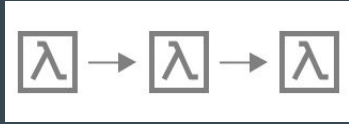
Step Functions

- Serverless orchestration service for EDA workflows
- Visually define workflows
- Workflow components:
 - State machines: entire workflows
 - States: individual steps
 - Task states: utilize other AWS services (e.g., Lambda functions) to perform tasks
- Standard vs. Express workflows

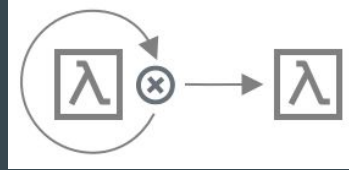


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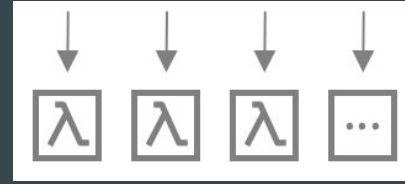
Step Functions - Use Cases



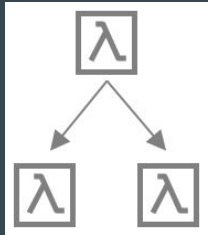
Function orchestration



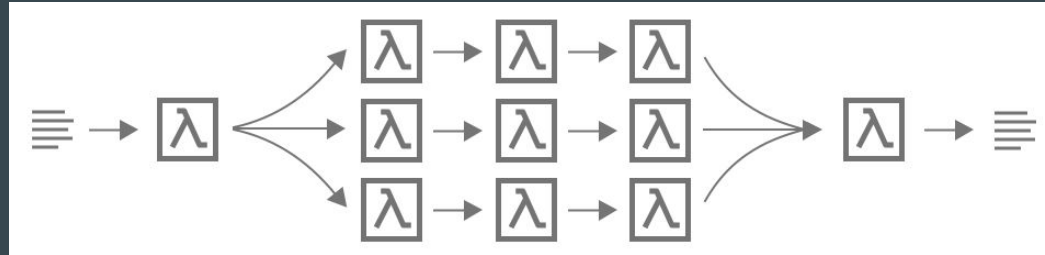
Error handling



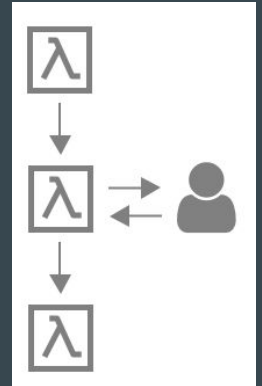
Parallel processing



Branching



Dynamic Parallelism



Human in the loop

Demo - Error Handling

Best Practices of EDA

- Event identifications with event storming
- Naming convention
- ECST events
- Notification events
- Conformist pattern
- ACL
- OHS
- Event-first thinking
- Idempotency
- Ordering (order/unorder events)

Resources

- <https://aws.amazon.com/blogs/compute/introducing-the-amazon-eventbridge-service-integration-for-aws-step-functions/>
- <https://docs.aws.amazon.com/eventbridge/latest/userguide/eb-what-is-how-it-works-concepts.html>
- <https://d1.awsstatic.com/SMB/aws-modernization-intro-to-eda-guide-2022-smb-build-websites-and-apps-resource.pdf>
- <https://aws.amazon.com/event-driven-architecture/>
- <https://theburningmonk.com/2020/08/choreography-vs-orchestration-in-the-land-of-serverless/>
- <https://docs.aws.amazon.com/step-functions/latest/dg/welcome.html>
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