# The future of the enterprise is event-driven

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Resilient **Operations** 



How can you build a 360-degree customer view to present the right offer as they are

> Responsive **Experiences**

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## Event-driven fuels the autonomous enterprise



Collect key business events as they happen

Get events from their source to wherever they're needed.

Allow applications to listen to dynamic rather than static data.



Derive continuous intelligence and insight

Constantly evaluate the impact of events in combination with their related context.

Allow applications to gain critical insights whilst an event is at its most relevant.



## Automate to improve business outcomes

Make smarter decisions and automate actions when it matters most.

Allow applications to take the next best action immediately when important events occur.

## The Event-Driven Business Challenge



### **Event Overload**

Today, companies juggle 10,000+ business events each day. These business events, however, remain siloed in various data sources.



### Lack of Event Connectivity

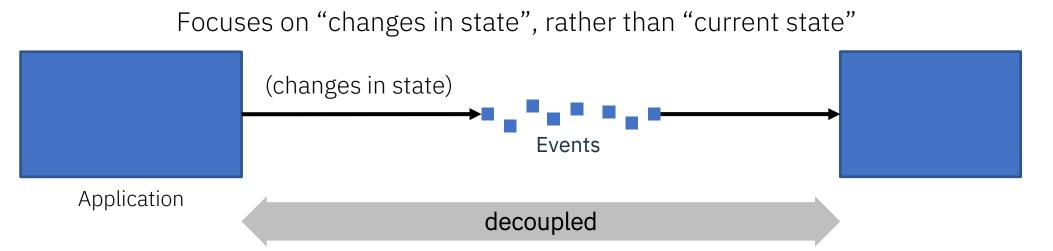
With no efficient way to connect the dots between countless business events, you lose out on the opportunity to efficiently identify key patterns emerging.



### **Slow Response to Business Dynamics**

The longer it takes to identify key patterns, the more delayed your action will be. This could cause your business to suffer unnecessary financial, customer and overall reputational loss.

## Event Driven Architecture (EDA)



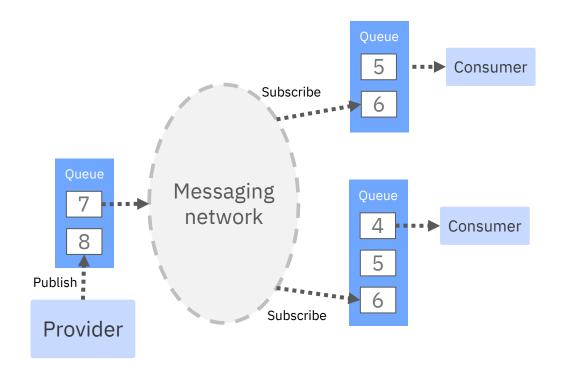
**EDA is not new!** Conceptually EDA has been present in computing since the very beginning. It can be underpinned by any mechanism that enables event data to be stored and read at independent times. Queues (e.g. MQ), logs (e.g. Kafka), database tables, files etc.

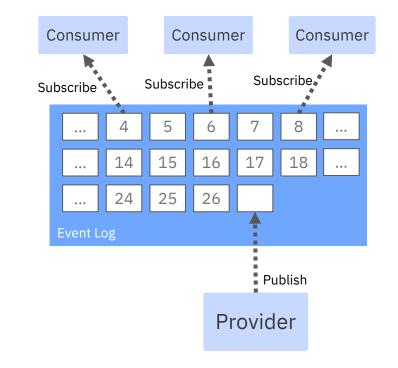
EDA was originally primarily about **decoupling components** to enable improving change agility, performance optimization, resilience and more.

Modern day EDA moves well beyond this, increasingly making use of **event processing** to gain insight directly from the event streams rather than just processing them at the target system.

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## **Event Distribution Layer**





The publish/subscribe pattern is decades old and is one of many interaction patterns implemented by message queue-based technologies such as IBM MQ. Apache Kafka uses only the publish/subscribe pattern, using a persisted "event log".

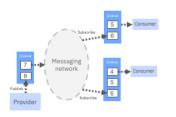
## How has the use of the term EDA change over time?

Initially EDA was mostly focused on passing events via an asynchronous "**messaging**" transports such as IBM MQ. This style is still extremely pervasive, with new use cases cropping up regularly.

- Events in this style are **transitory** and primarily a way of moving data from one place to another.
- Much emphasis is placed on the ability to deliver data with high levels of assurance (**once only**) and security.
- Messaging often specializes in simplifying communication across **disparate platforms** and environments.

## Messaging is used primarily as a transport mechanism.

Messaging is well suited to both events, and commands.

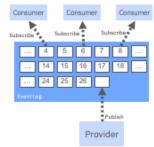


Apache Kafka popularized the idea of an "**event log**" where the events are retained even after being read. This enables a different set of patterns that make use of this event history:

- The retained event log enables alternative ways to create the **stateless components** favored by cloud native application designs.
- There is an increased interest in **stream processing** such as rolling accumulations over a window of time, or complex event processing to derive insight more rapidly.
- Use cases for historical **replay** of events such as testing, simulations, training AI models, auditing and more.

## The event log can be seen as an alternative choice for persistence.

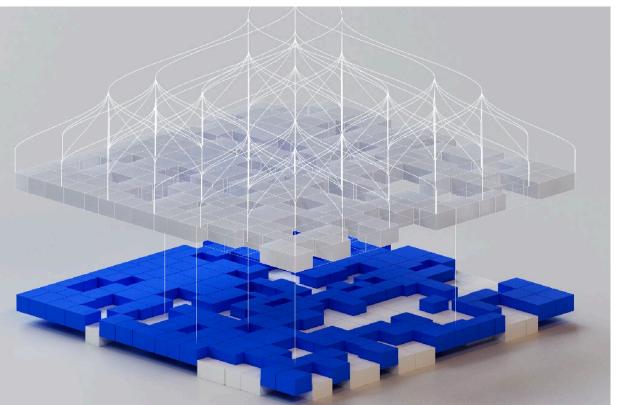
An event log is well suited to events, but less so for commands.



## The event-driven market is rapidly growing

IDC views event-driven software as "one of the fastest-growing segments of *Intelligent Process Automation*"

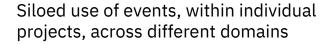
## >20% CAGR to \$7.0 billion by 2026

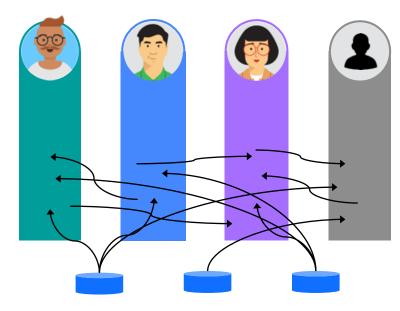


## IBM's Point of View

## From Individual Projects to Common Foundation

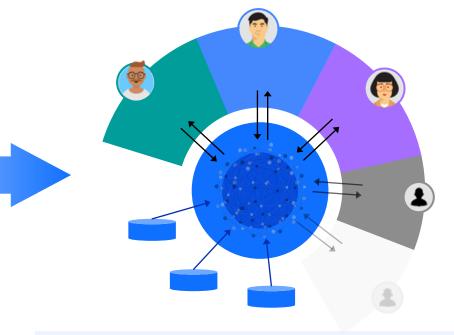
move to...





- Brittle point to point connections
- Difficult to manage
- Slow to create new integrations
- Inefficient; same events moved multiple times
- Impossible to track lineage
- Exponential scaling problem

Events available across the enterprise to all who need them



- Clearly defined and versioned interfaces
- ✓ Control points for enterprise policies
- ✓ Self-service; increasing agility
- ✓ Efficient data movement
- Clear visibility of lineage
- ✓ Scale linearly

### **IBM Event Integration Strategy**

Provide a fully composable set of capabilities to enable users to easily work with events and benefit from a consistent architecture, allowing organizations to prioritize responsiveness and adaptability to their clients.



### **Event Distribution**

Built on open technologies, an **enterprise-grade packaging of Apache Kafka** with value-add services to assist connectivity and deployment across organizations at scale.

### **Event Discovery**

Enable existing events to be **discovered and consumed by any user,** and manage your event sources like APIs to securely reuse them across the enterprise.

### **Event Processing**

Make working with events intuitive and simple so users can understand and react to real-time business situations. **Remove the need to write SQL** and increase productivity.

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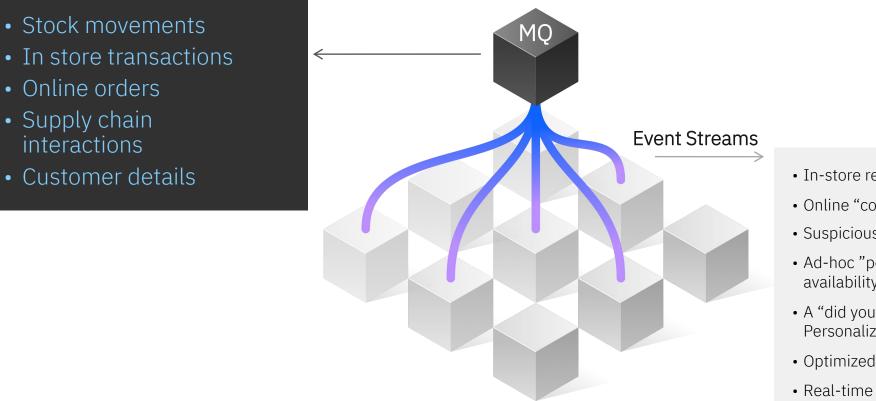
## **Event Distribution**

### **IBM Event Streams** is fully supported Apache Kafka® with value-add capabilities



## MQ can Drive Situation Detection and Innovative Applications

MQ is a key source of real-time events representing the transactions, changes and interactions occurring in a business. Tapping into MQ for Event Streaming enables sharing across the enterprise and new responsive applications.



- In-store reservation confirmation text message
- Online "collect in store" order triggers real-time offer
- Suspicious return behavior triggers additional checks
- Ad-hoc "personal shopper" experience based on availability
- A "did you forget" checkout suggestion service Personalized offers based on order history
- Optimized inventory "rolling stock checks"
- Real-time feedback for "in-store collection" offers

### **Event Discovery**

**Event Endpoint Management** accelerates the implementation of event-driven and situational applications by making the events that drive them accessible to everyone

Providing a common management facility where streams of events can be:

- Described in a standardized way using AsyncAPI
- Published in a searchable portal
- Advertised for others to gain self-service access based on the applied policies



### **Event Distribution**

- Described
- Discoverable
- Decentralized
- Decoupled

### **Responsive experiences**

**Engaging and Intelligent apps** 

## Building great user experiences requires both APIs and Events

..but uncontrolled use of events suffer the same pain points addressed by API management

## • **APIs** for when the user engages the app

**Events** for when the app engages the user

### Access control

How to ensure that only the right users can access important enterprise data?

### Workload management

How to prevent disrupting existing work and critical systems being swamped?

### Enterprise reuse

How to share events for multiple use cases, maximizing reuse and avoid duplication?

### Agile development

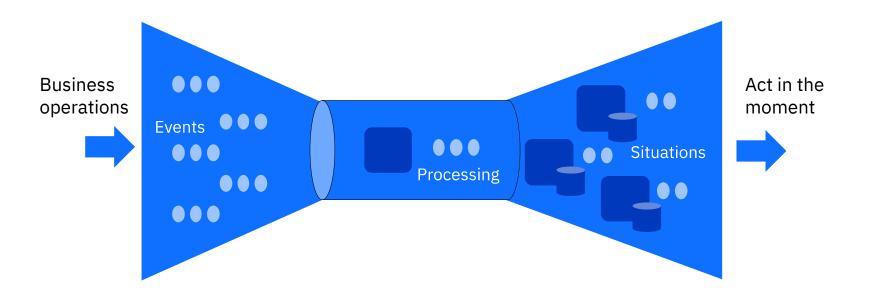
How to empower users to discover available events and request self-service access?

### **Event Processing**

**Events** represent the dynamics of business operations

We can **process** streams of events, by:

- Combining, enriching, transforming, aggregating streams of events
- Correlating events over time on business context
- Identifying patterns, analyzing trends, detecting anomalies...



#### As-is

Existing event processing tools are complex and technical, limiting the speed at which businesses can tackle their event-driven use cases

#### To-be

Working with events becomes so simple and intuitive that a broad range of users can understand and react to situations as they occur

Events can then used to detect business-relevant situations that need to be handled

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### Unlock business events to activate automation

### Detect

critical trends and business dynamics

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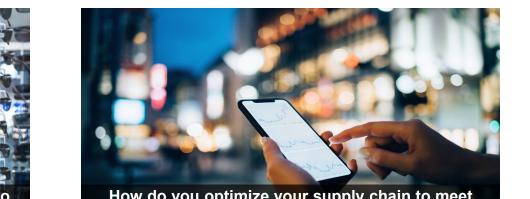
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