

Processing data from a Web API - a step by step guide

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Is there an example?

Yes:

<https://beam.apache.org/documentation/io/built-in/webapis/>

And

<https://github.com/apache/beam/tree/master/examples/java/webapis>



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Prerequisites

Understand Beam Programming Guide:

- Basics - PTransform, PCollection
- DoFn - ProcessElement, Setup, Teardown

<https://beam.apache.org/documentation/programming-guide>



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Web API processing with Beam challenging

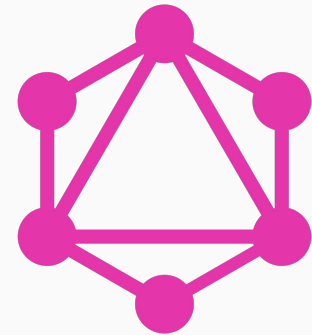
- Beam designed for large scale parallelized workloads



- (most) Web APIs designed for application workloads



Web API landscape



GraphQL

Web API processing concerns

- Rate limits / Quota
- Client / Server contract adherence
- API SDK serializability
- Beam Schema compatibility
- Limited Data per API endpoint



Talk agenda

1. Describe Use Case
2. Simple HTTP GET
3. Chain API requests and responses
4. API Client Setup/Teardown
5. Additional features - caching and throttling
6. Conclusion



Describe Use Case



Trade off selecting a use case



Irrelevant
Surprising when applied

Trade off



Too much domain knowledge



What do we want to achieve?

Data sources: National Institute of Health (NIH) Web APIs

- RxClass
- RxNorm
- DailyMed

Final sink: Gemini Vertex AI API

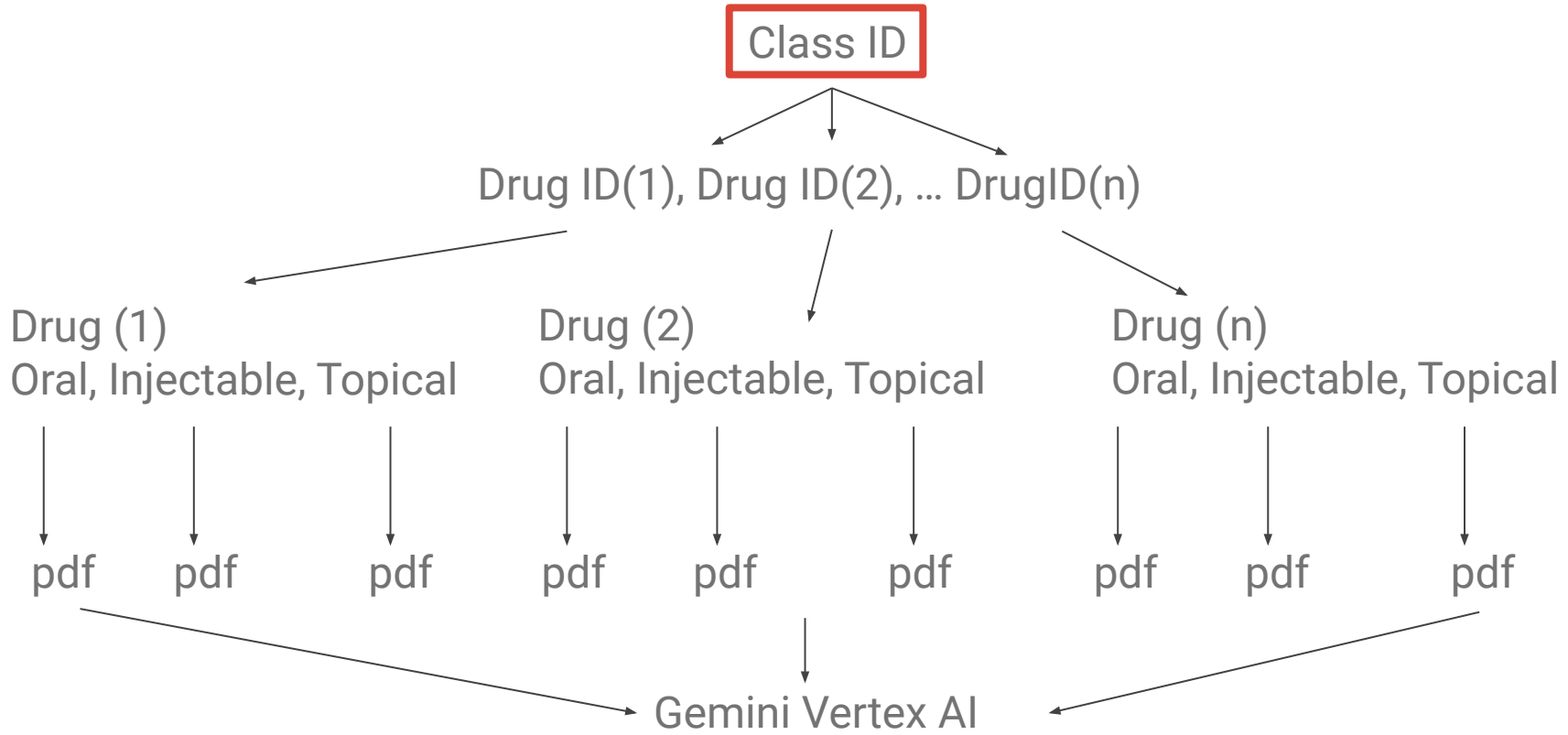


Why NIH Web APIs useful for this talk?

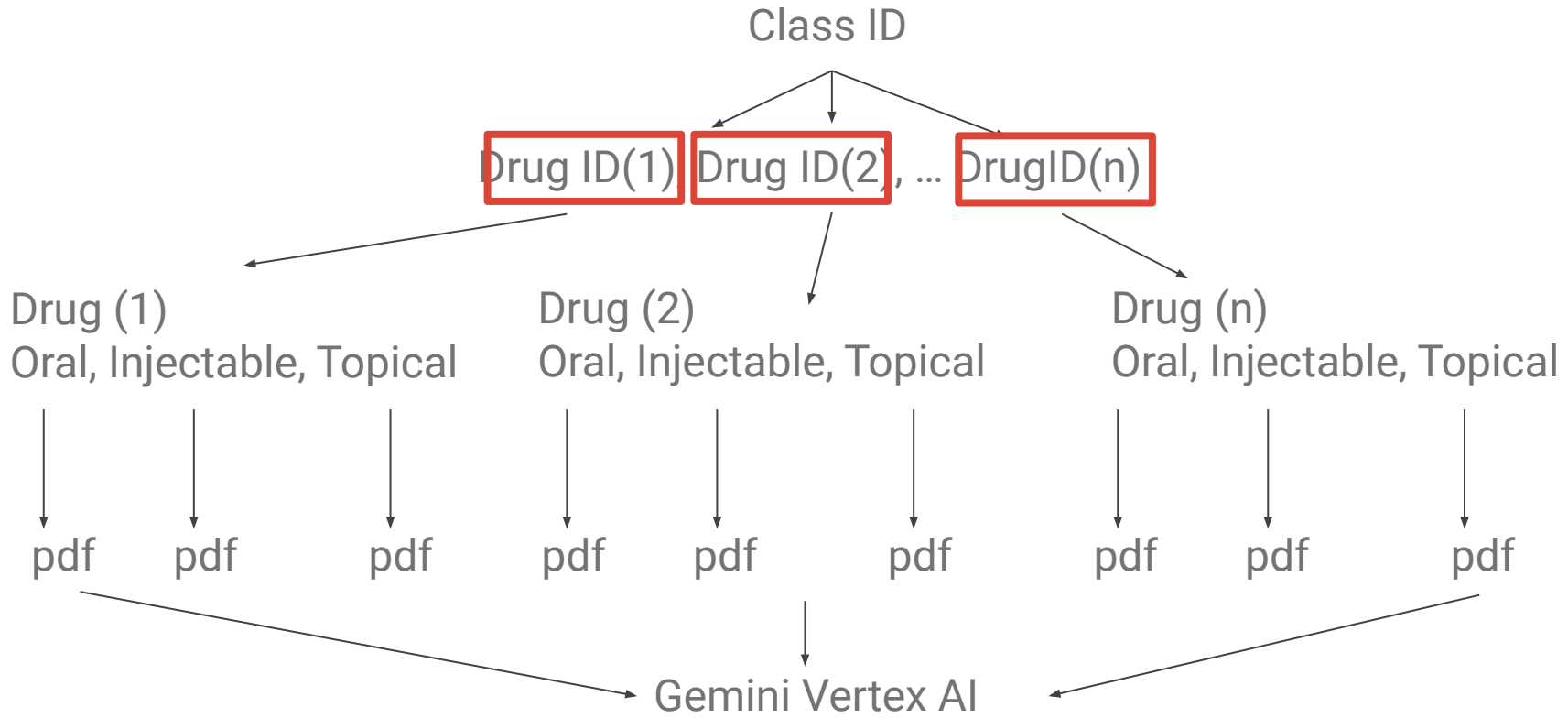
- Simple to invoke single endpoints
- Some complexity to relate responses between endpoints
- No SDK



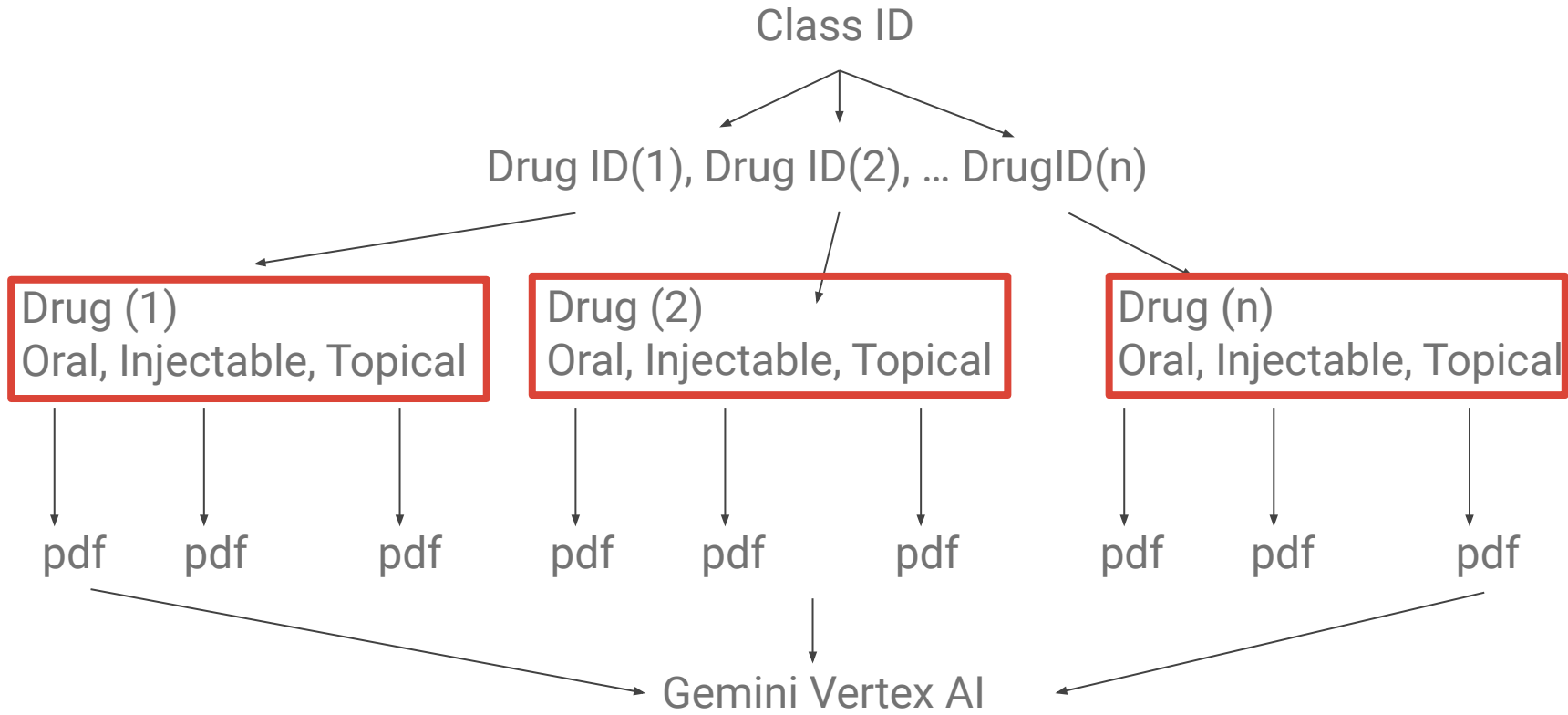
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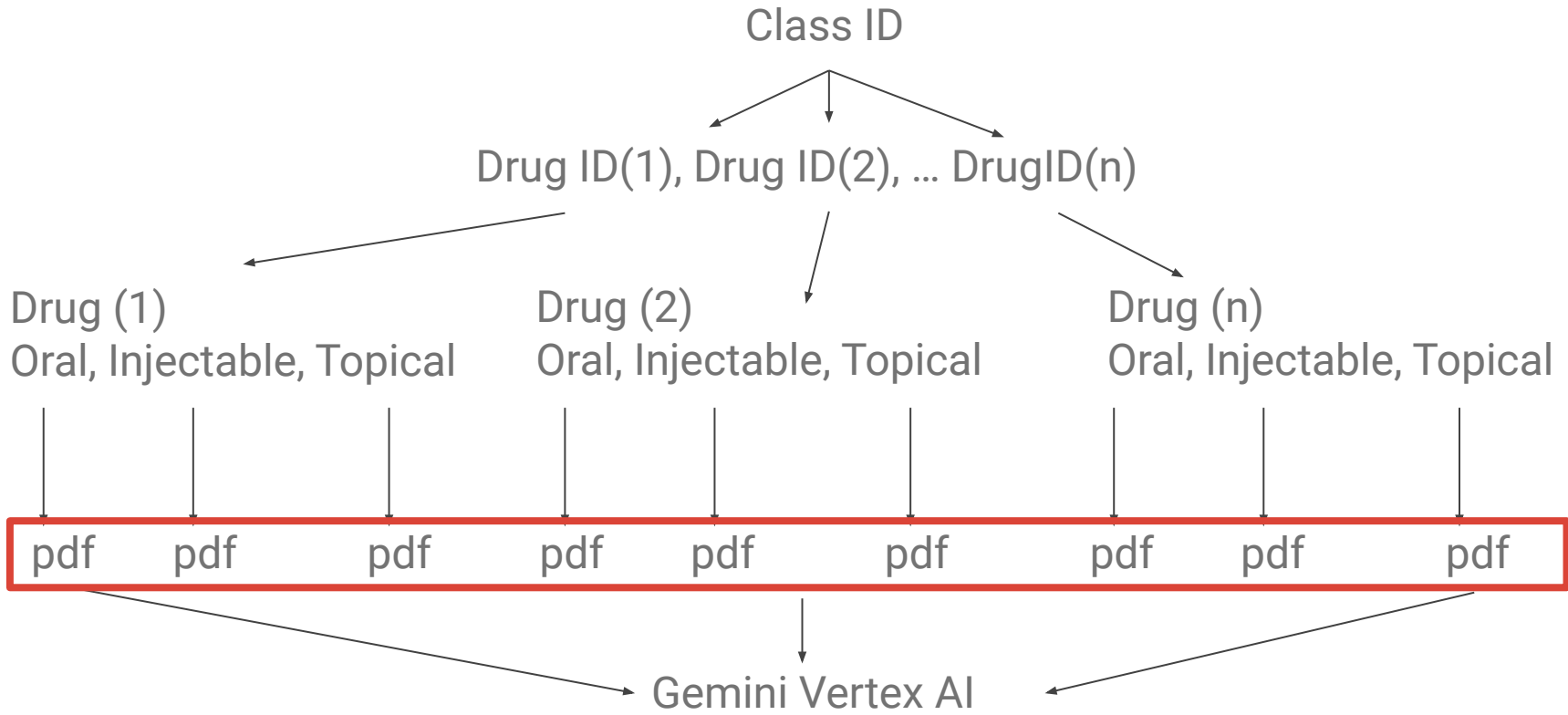
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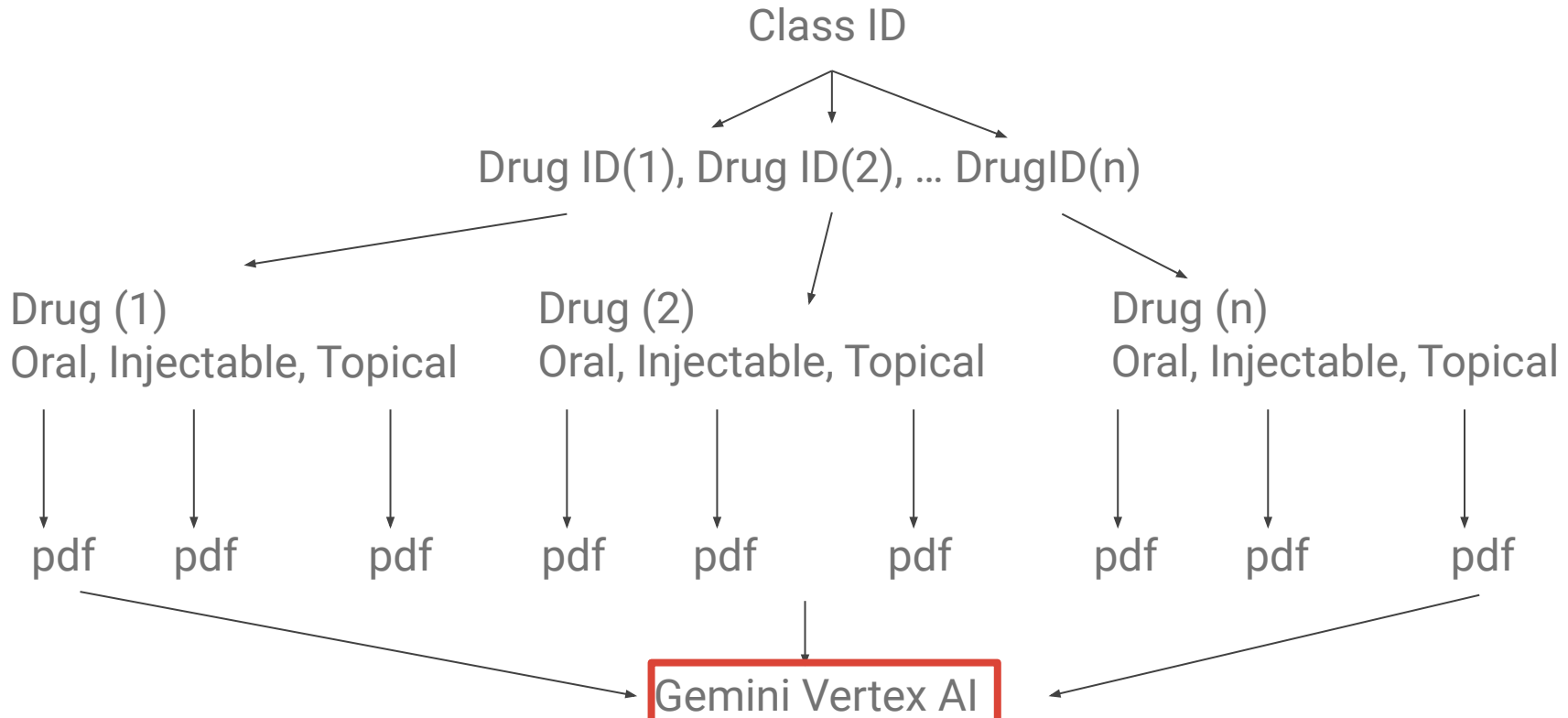
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HALOPERIDOL- haloperidol tablet

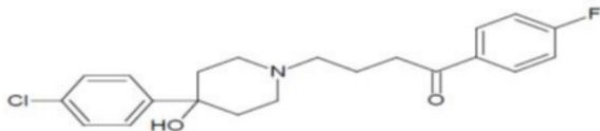
Lifestar Pharma LLC

Haloperidol Tablets, USP

Rx Only

DESCRIPTION

Haloperidol, USP is the first of the butyrophenone series of major tranquilizers. The chemical designation is 4-[4-(p-chloro-phenyl)-4-hydroxypiperidino]-4'-fluorobutyrophenone and it has the following structural formula:



$C_{21}H_{23}ClFNO_2$ 375.86

Haloperidol, USP is supplied as tablets for oral administration containing 0.5 mg, 1 mg, 2 mg, 5 mg, 10 mg or 20 mg of haloperidol, USP and contains the following inactive ingredients: colloidal silicon dioxide, lactose monohydrate, magnesium stearate, microcrystalline cellulose and pregelatinized starch (corn). In addition, the 1 mg, 2 mg, 5 mg, and 10 mg tablets also contains D&C Yellow #10 Aluminum Lake. The 10 mg and 20 mg tablets also contains FD&C Blue #1 Aluminum Lake, 2 mg and 5 mg tablets also contains FD&C Red #40 Aluminum Lake, and 1 mg, 2 mg, 5 mg and 20 mg tablets also contains FD&C Yellow #6 Aluminum Lake.

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2 million token context

Reduce big data down to human scale. Analyze and understand data with large token context windows.

Simple HTTP GET



Simple HTTP GET

URL Request



NIH Web API:
/classMembers



JSON
Response



Simple HTTP GET



Point of this slide is to show a common problem with Web APIs:

- We start with one ID i.e. N0000178316
- The data we want, **rxcul**, is deep in the payload



Simple HTTP GET

Tasks:

1. Model the response payload
2. Implement an interface



Simple HTTP GET - 1. Model response

```
@DefaultSchema(AutoValueSchema.class)
@AutoValue
abstract static class GetClassMembersResponse implements Serializable {

    abstract DrugMemberGroup getDrugMemberGroup();

    @AutoValue.Builder
    abstract static class Builder {
        abstract Builder setDrugMemberGroup(DrugMemberGroup drugMemberGroup);

        abstract GetClassMembersResponse build();
    }
}
```

Simple HTTP GET - 2. Implement interface

```
interface Caller<RequestT, ResponseT> {  
  
    ResponseT call(RequestT request);  
  
}
```

See Caller interface Javadoc:

<https://beam.apache.org/releases/javadoc/current/org/apache/beam/io/requestresponse/Caller.html>



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Simple HTTP GET - 2. Implement interface

```
class HttpGet
implements Caller<String, String> {
    String call(String url) {
        return buildGetRequest(url)
            .execute()
            .parseAsString();
    }
}
```


Simple HTTP GET - 3. Bring it all together

```
PCollection<GetClassMembersResponse> expand(PCollection<String> input) {  
  
    Result<String, String> result =  
        input.apply(  
            RequestResponseIO.of(new HttpGet(), StringUTF8Coder.of());  
  
    result.getFailures().apply( // some dead letter )  
}
```



Simple HTTP GET - 3. Bring it all together

```
PCollection<GetClassMembersResponse> expand(PCollection<String> input) {  
  
    return result  
        .getOutput()  
  
        .apply(jsonToRow) // Using JsonPayloadSerializerProvider  
  
        .apply(fromRow); // Using AutoValueSchemaProvider  
}
```

<https://beam.apache.org/releases/javadoc/current/org/apache/beam/io/requestresponse/RequestResponseIO.html>

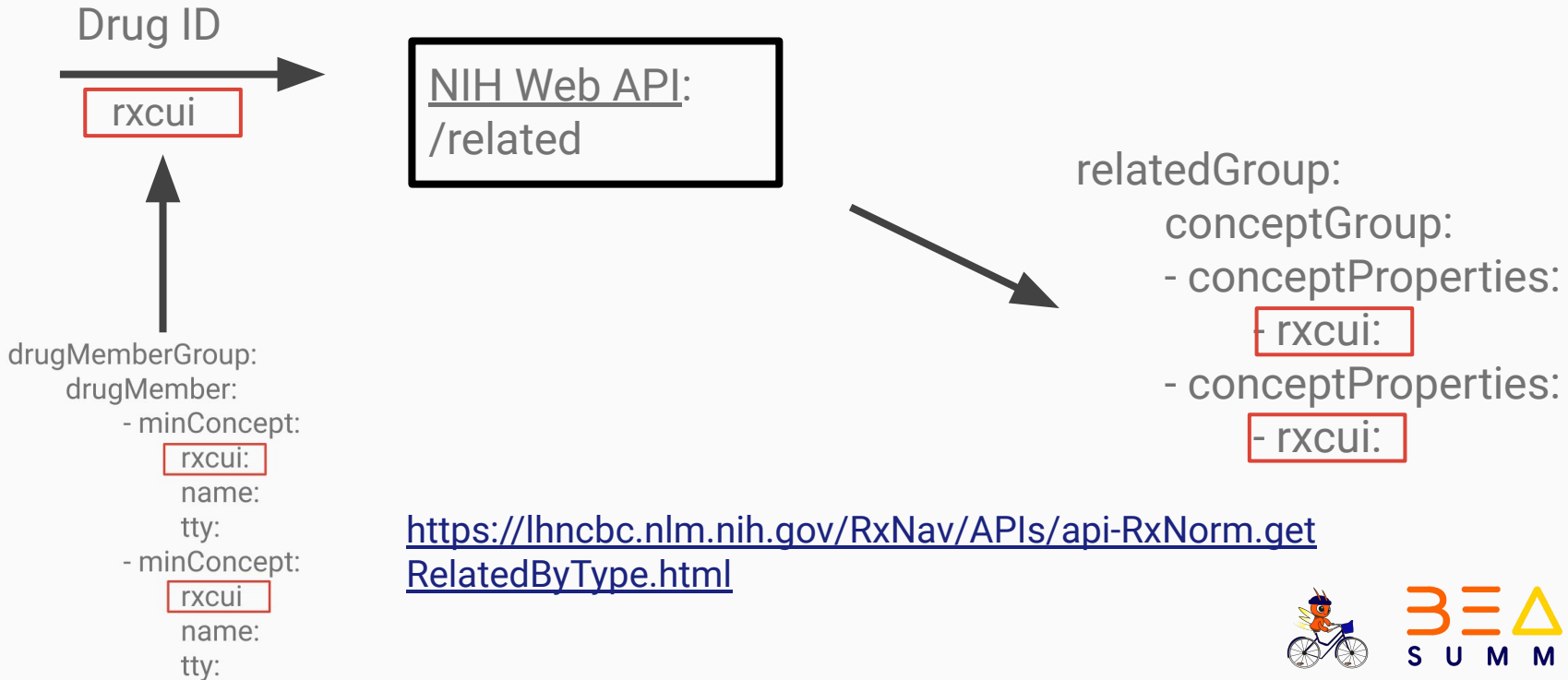


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Chain API requests and responses



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Tasks:

1. Model the response payload
2. Reuse the interface



Chain API requests and responses

```
@DefaultSchema(AutoValueSchema.class)
```

```
@AutoValue
```

```
abstract static class GetSemanticClinicalDrugGroupResponse implements Serializable {  
    abstract RelatedGroup getRelatedGroup();
```

```
@AutoValue.Builder
```

```
abstract static class Builder {  
    abstract Builder setRelatedGroup(RelatedGroup relatedGroup);
```

```
    abstract GetSemanticClinicalDrugGroupResponse build();
```

```
}
```

```
}
```

Chain API requests and responses

```
@DefaultSchema(AutoValueSchema.class)
@AutoValue
abstract static class ConceptProperties implements Serializable {
    abstract String getRxcui();

    @AutoValue.Builder
    abstract static class Builder {
        abstract Builder setRxcui(String rxcui);

        abstract ConceptProperties build();
    }
}
```

API Client Setup/Teardown



API Client Setup/Teardown

```
interface SetupTeardown {  
    void setup();  
    void teardown();  
}
```

See Javadoc:

<https://beam.apache.org/releases/javadoc/current/org/apache/beam/io/rquestresponse/SetupTeardown.html>



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API Client Setup/Teardown

class CreateContextCache implements

```
Caller<CreateCachedContentRequest, CacheContent> {  
  
    CacheContent call(CreateCachedContentRequest request) {}  
  
    void setup() {}  
  
    void teardown() {}  
  
}
```



API Client Setup/Teardown

```
private transient GenAiCacheServiceClient client;  
  
void setup() {  
    client = GenAiCacheServiceClient.create(settings);  
}  
  
void teardown() {  
    client.close();  
}
```



Additional features - caching and throttling, error handling, etc.



Additional features - caching (optional)

```
Cache.Pair<String, String> cache;
```

```
RequestResponseIO  
  .of(new HttpGet(), coder)  
  .withCache(cache);
```



Additional features - caching (optional)

```
Cache.Pair<String, String> cache
= Cache
    .usingRedis(
        uri,
        requestCoder,
        responseCoder,
        expiry
    );
```



Additional features - throttling (defaulted)

Handling Overload

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Client request rejection probability

$$\max\left(0, \frac{\text{requests} - K \times \text{accepts}}{\text{requests} + 1}\right)$$



Additional features - error handling

```
interface Caller<RequestT, ResponseT> {  
    ResponseT call(RequestT request)  
  
    throws UserCodeExecutionException;  
  
}
```

See Javadoc:

<https://beam.apache.org/releases/javadoc/current/org/apache/beam/io/rquestresponse/UserCodeExecutionException.html>



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Additional features - error handling

```
Result<RequestT, ResponseT> result;
```

```
PCollection<ApiIOError> failures  
    = result.getFailures();
```



Additional features - error handling

Modifier and Type	Method and Description
abstract java.lang.String	getMessage() The Exception message.
abstract Instant	getObservedTimestamp() The observed timestamp of the error.
abstract java.lang.String	getRequestAsString() The string representation of the request associated with the error.
abstract java.lang.String	getStackTrace() The Exception stack trace.

<https://beam.apache.org/releases/javadoc/current/org/apache/beam/io/requestresponse/ApiIOError.html>



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Additional features - signal repeat with backoff

Extends `UserCodeExecutionException`:

- `UserCodeQuotaException`
- `UserCodeRemoteSystemException`
- `UserCodeTimeoutException`

See Javadoc:

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Additional features - configure timeout

```
DEFAULT_TIMEOUT =  
    Duration.standardSeconds(30L);
```

```
RequestResponseIO  
    .withTimeout(duration);
```



Conclusion



How did Beam help?

- Reduced resulting pdf redundancy
- Reduced pdf input from 1,400 to 27
- Gemini AI Token Count:
1,039,678 out of 2,097,152 limit



“Generate a table comparing adverse events”

Adverse Effect	More Likely with:	Less Likely with:	Comments
Extrapyramidal Symptoms (EPS)	High potency typicals (e.g., haloperidol), risperidone (at higher doses)	Atypicals like quetiapine, clozapine, aripiprazole	EPS risk often dose-dependent; can be acute lead to tardive dyskinesia
Weight Gain	Olanzapine, clozapine	Aripiprazole, lurasidone, ziprasidone (some studies)	Weight gain varies significantly between individuals; monitoring crucial
Hyperglycemia/Diabetes	Olanzapine, clozapine	Aripiprazole, lurasidone	Regular blood glucose monitoring essential, especially in patients with risk factors
Dyslipidemia	Olanzapine, clozapine	Aripiprazole, lurasidone, ziprasidone	Fasting lipid profile monitoring recommended
QT Prolongation	Ziprasidone, iloperidone, thioridazine	Most atypicals (except ziprasidone, iloperidone)	QTc prolongation increases risk of serious arrhythmia; careful ECG monitoring with certain agents
Sedation	Clozapine, olanzapine, quetiapine, low potency typicals	Aripiprazole, lurasidone, risperidone	Sedation can vary greatly by individual and dose
Anticholinergic Effects	Typical antipsychotics	Most atypicals	Anticholinergic effects can lead to constipation, dry mouth, blurred vision, etc

