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# Texera: A System for Collaborative and Interactive Data Analytics Using Workflows

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# The goto Data Science Tool - Notebook

## Step 1: Loading Data

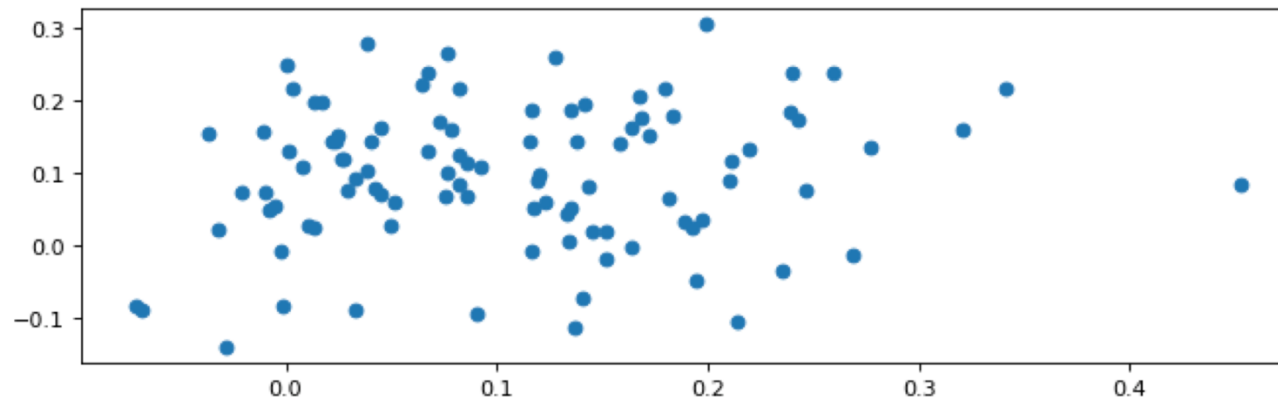
```
In [2]: twenty_train = fetch_20newsgroups(subset='train')
```

## Step 2: Sentiment Analysis Step

```
In [4]: text_clf = Pipeline([CountVectorizer(),TfidfTransformer(),SGDClassifier()])
text_clf.fit(twenty_train.data, twenty_train.target)
predicted = text_clf.predict(docs_test)
```

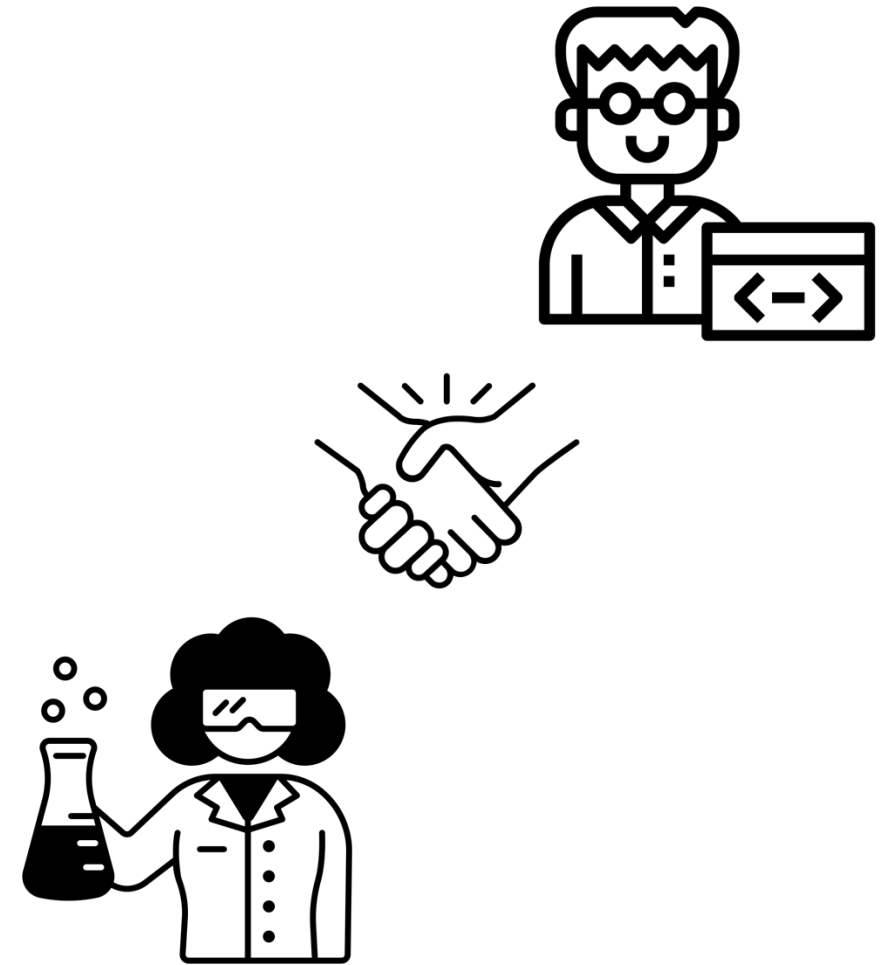
## Step 3: Plotting Data

```
In [36]: ax = sns.scatterplot(data=predicted)
```

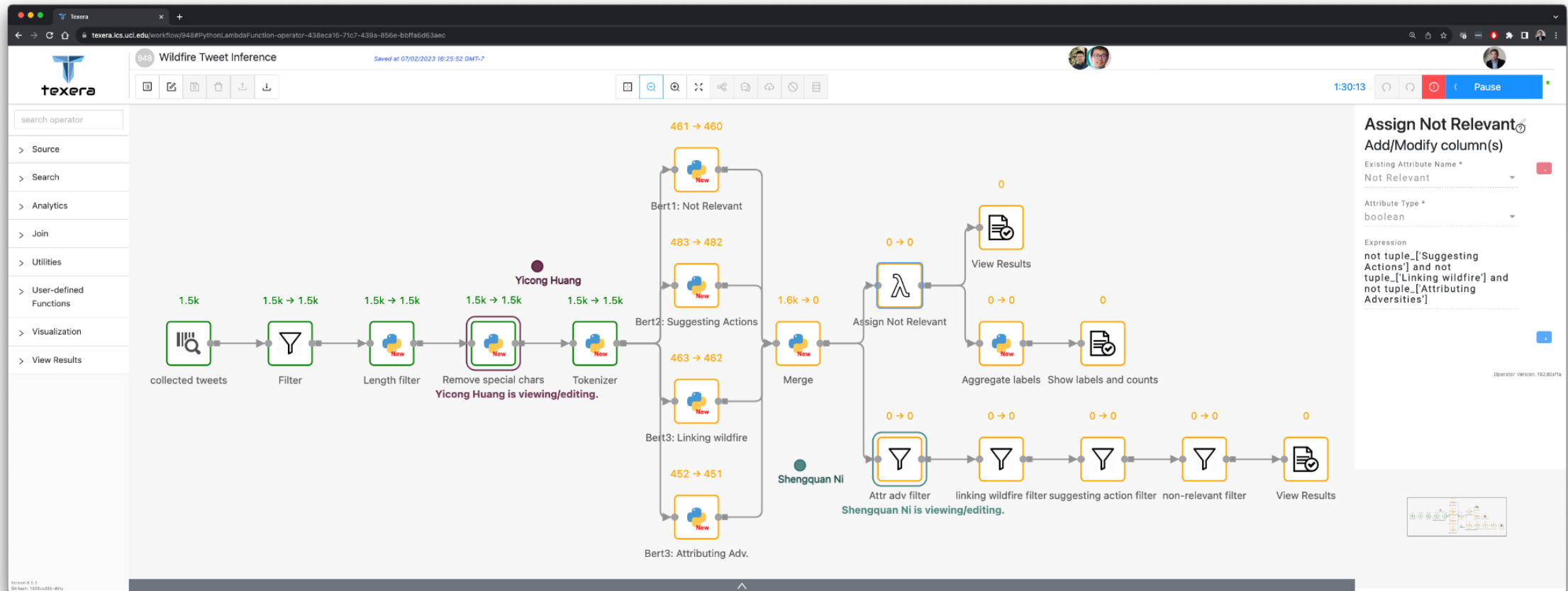


# The Need for Collaborative Data Analytics

- **IT experts**
  - Limited domain knowledge
  - Strong coding skills
- **Domain experts**
  - Rich domain knowledge
  - Limited IT/coding skills



# Introducing **texera** The **GUI-based Workflow System** for Data Analytics



Cloud Service

Collaboration

Domain Friendly

AI/ML Access

# More Features...

User Defined Functions (UDFs)  
Java/Scala, Python, R

- Operators
- search operator
- Data Input >
- Database Connector >
- Search >
- Data Cleaning >
- Machine Learning ▾
  - Sklearn >
  - Advanced Sklearn >
  - Hugging Face ▾
    - Hugging Face Iris Logistic Regress
    - Hugging Face Sentiment Analysis
    - Hugging Face Spam Detection
    - Hugging Face Text Summarization
  - Machine Learning General >
  - Sentiment Analysis
  - Training/Testing Split

Rich Built-in Operators

```

Python UDF : Evaluate Spam Detection
1 from pytexera import *
2
3 class ProcessTupleOperator(UDFOperatorV2):
4     def open(self): ...
5
6     @overrides
7     def process_tuple(self, tuple_: Tuple, port: int) -> Iterator[Optional[Tuple]]:
8         label = tuple_["Label"]
9         is_spam = tuple_["is_spam"]
10
11         if label == "spam" and is_spam:
12             self.true_positive += 1
13         elif label == "spam" and not is_spam:
14             self.false_negative += 1
15         elif label == "ham" and is_spam:
16             self.false_positive += 1
17         elif label == "ham" and not is_spam:
18             self.true_negative += 1
19
20         return [(label, is_spam)]
  
```

Property panel for 'Evaluate Spam Detection':

- View code content
- \* Worker count: 1 (Specify how many parallel workers to launch)
- Retain input columns (Keep the original input columns?)
- Attribute Name Attribute Type

Version#	Timestamp
+ 194	06/05/24 12:09:33
+ 191	05/17/24 11:09:24
- 184	05/17/24 07:31:28
183	05/17/24 07:31:15
182	05/17/24 07:31:00
181	05/17/24 07:30:46
180	05/17/24 07:30:34
179	05/17/24 07:30:09

Version & Restore

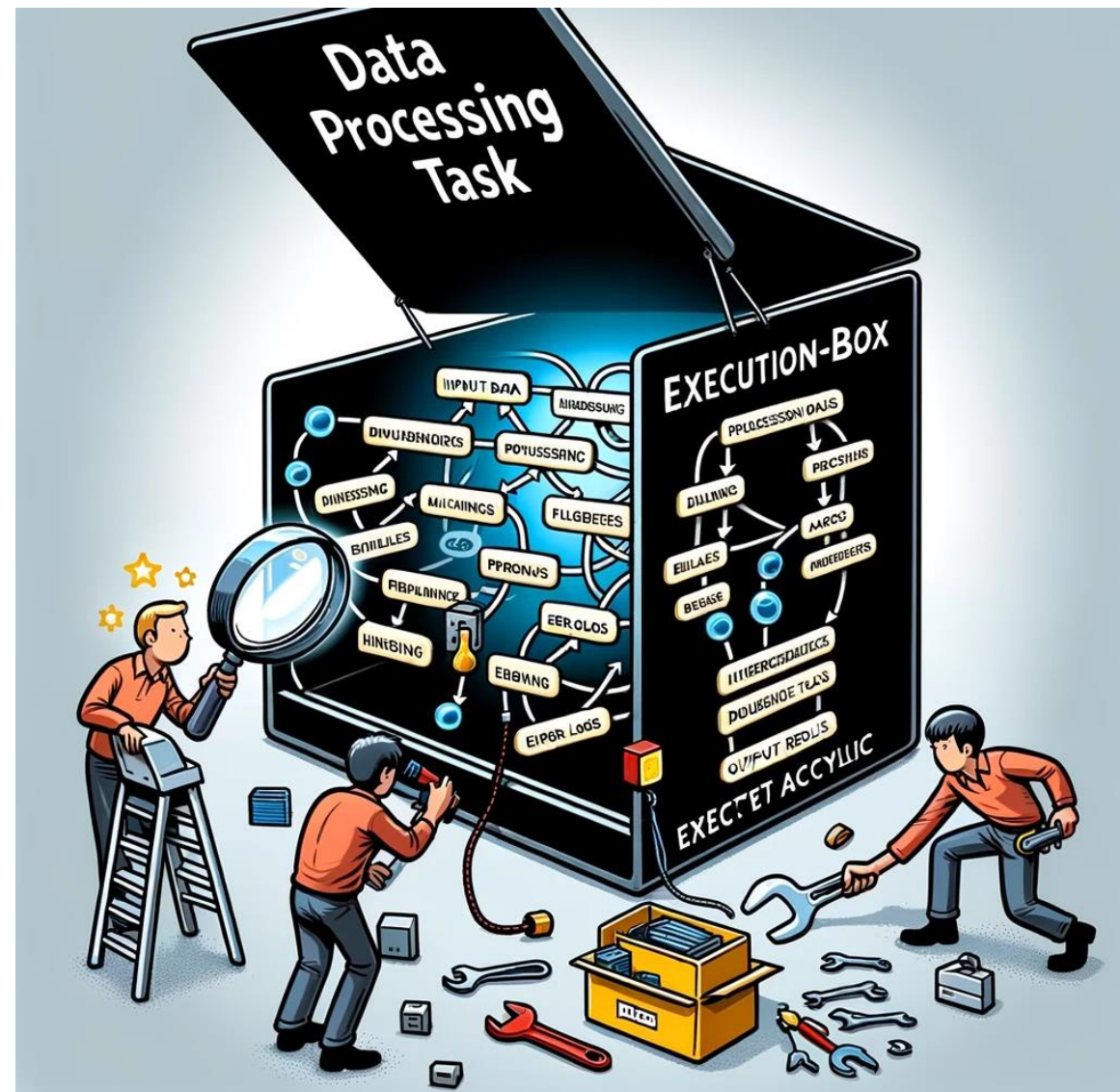
# Collaboration only during Editing is not Enough for Data Analytics...



```
data_path = "/kaggle/input/CORD-19-research-challenge/metadata.csv"
source_data = preprocess_data(data_path, 100)
```

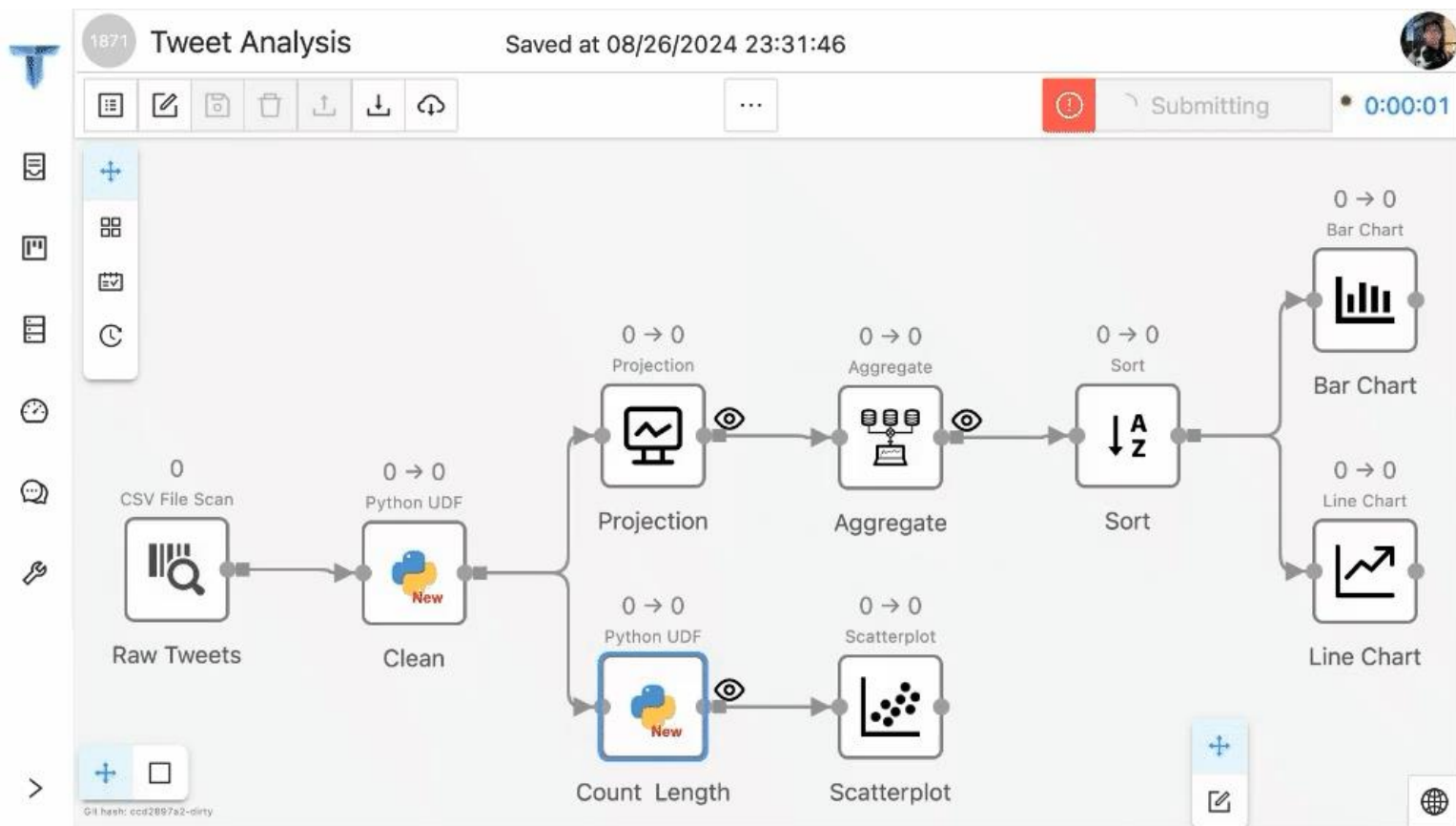
Unlike Google Doc or Overleaf, data analytics requires an (extensive) execution phase.

# Interactions during Collaborative Execution

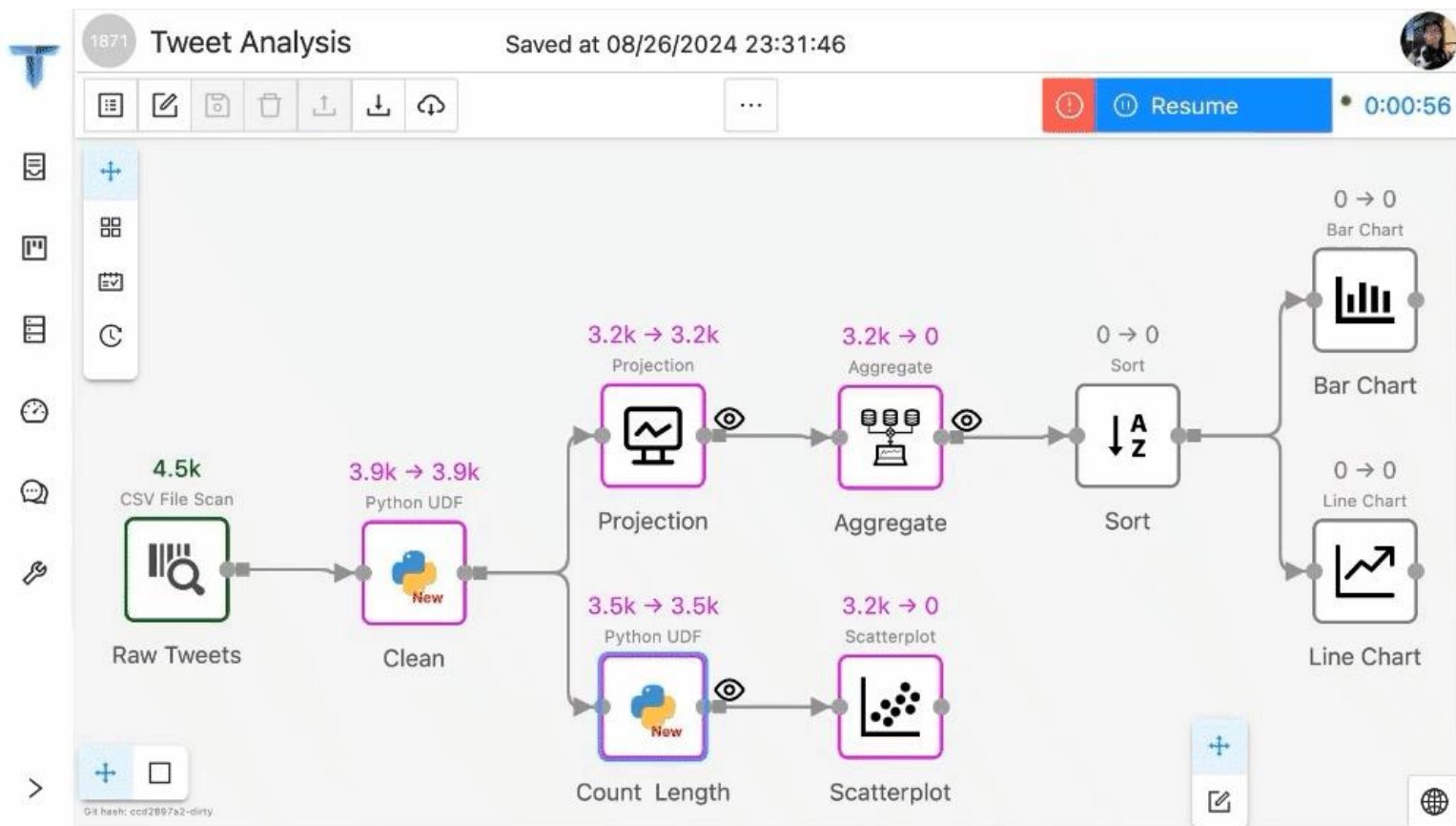


# What Kind of Interactions?





Interaction:  
**Pause a Workflow**

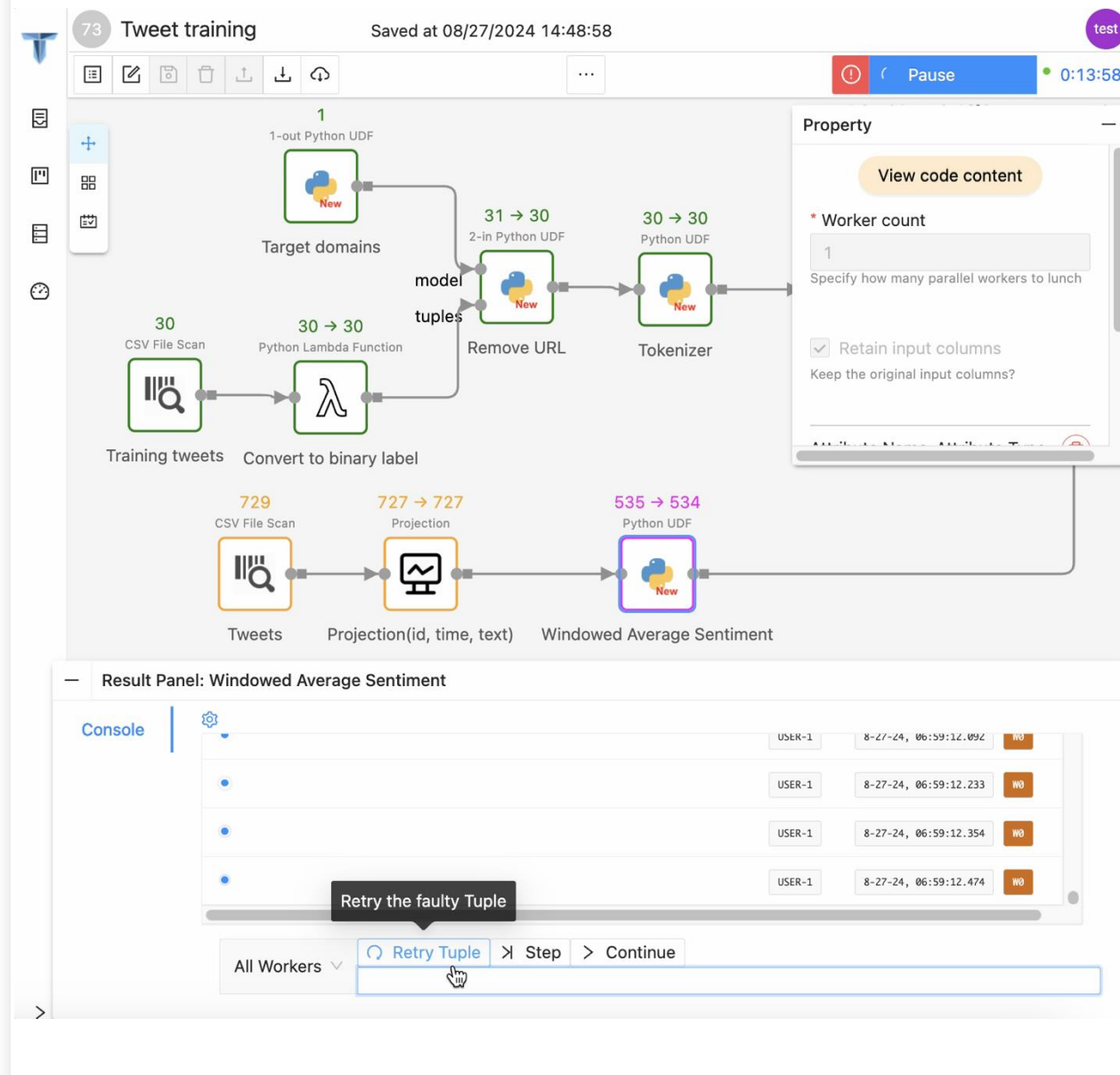


Interaction:  
**Resume** a  
 Workflow

# Interaction: Read a Workflow's State

73 Tweet training Saved at 08/27/2024 14:48:58 test 0:13:58

Pause



1-out Python UDF  
New  
Target domains

31 → 30  
2-in Python UDF  
New  
Remove URL

30 → 30  
Python UDF  
New  
Tokenizer

30  
CSV File Scan  
Training tweets

30 → 30  
Python Lambda Function  
Convert to binary label

729  
CSV File Scan  
Tweets

727 → 727  
Projection  
Projection(id, time, text)

535 → 534  
Python UDF  
New  
Windowed Average Sentiment

Property

View code content

\* Worker count

1

Specify how many parallel workers to launch

Retain input columns

Keep the original input columns?

Result Panel: Windowed Average Sentiment

Console

USER-1	8-27-24, 06:59:12.092	WO
USER-1	8-27-24, 06:59:12.233	WO
USER-1	8-27-24, 06:59:12.354	WO
USER-1	8-27-24, 06:59:12.474	WO

Retry the faulty Tuple

All Workers Retry Tuple Step Continue

73 Tweet training Saved at 08/27/2024 15:16:58 test 0:00:16

**Python UDF : Windowed Average Sentiment**

```

11 def process_tuple(self, tuple_: Tuple, port:int):
12     text = tuple_['text']
13     polarity_scores = self.analyzer.polarity_scores(text)
14     sentiment_score = polarity_scores['compound']
15
16     # Update the sum and queue for sentiments
17     self.sum += sentiment_score
18     self.sentiments.append(sentiment_score)
19     if len(self.sentiments) > self.window_size:
20         expired_sentiment = self.sentiments.pop(0)
21         self.sum -= expired_sentiment
22
23     current_average = self.sum / len(self.sentiments)
24

```

Property

**Sentiment**

[View code content](#)

\* Worker count: 1

Retain input columns

Attribute Name: windowed\_ε Attribute Type: double

Extra output column(s): [+](#)

[Unlock for Logic Change](#)

Workflow: Tweets (388) → Projection(id, time, text) (383 → 383) → Python UDF (228 → 227) → Windowed Average Sentiment

Result Panel: Windowed Average Sentiment

Console

All Workers | [Retry Tuple](#) | [Step](#) | [Continue](#)

# Interaction: Modify a Workflow's Logic

# Advanced Interaction – Debug

The screenshot displays the Texera workflow editor for a sentiment analysis pipeline. The pipeline consists of several stages: Target domains, Remove URL, Tokenizer, SVM Training, SVM inference, Training tweets, Convert to binary label, Tweets, Projection(id, time, text), and Windowed Average Sentiment. The interface includes a toolbar, a top navigation bar with a 'Pause' button and a timer, and a right-hand 'Property' panel for the 'Windowed Average Sentiment' stage.

Key debugging features and annotations are highlighted with red dashed boxes:

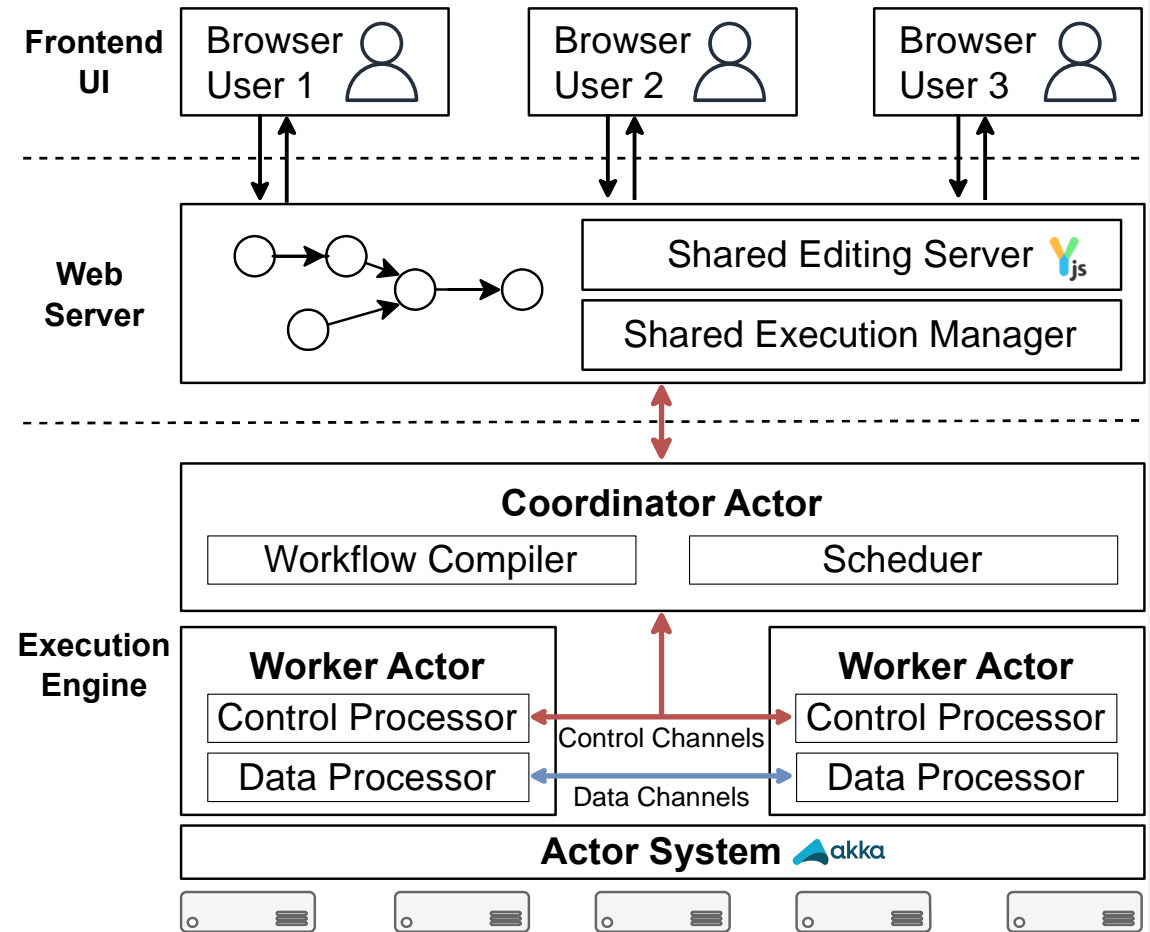
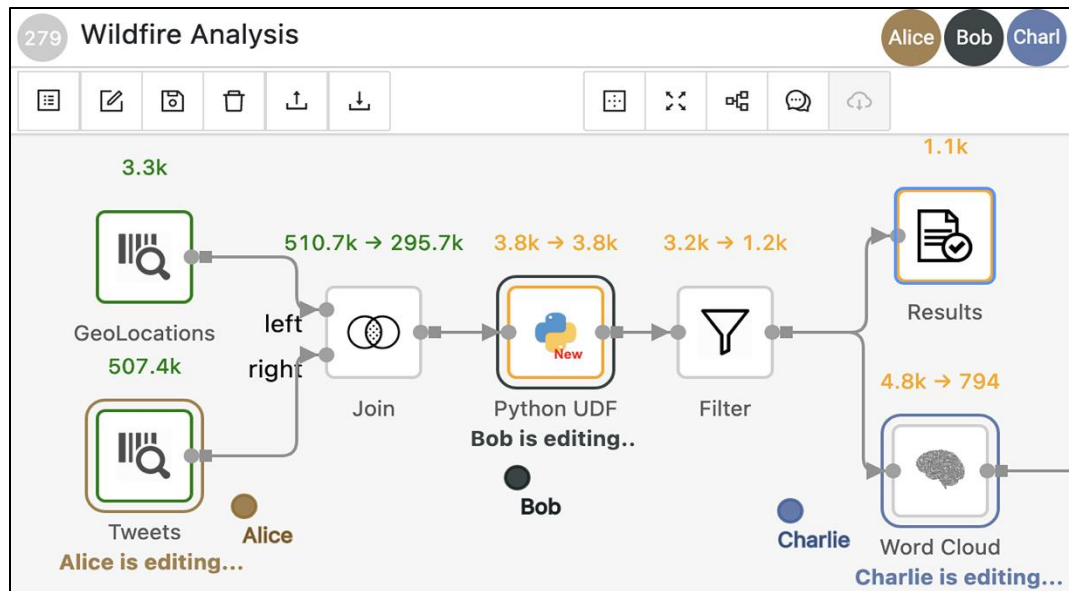
- Collaborative Debugging:** A red dashed box around the SVM inference stage shows a notification: "Zuozhi Wang is viewing/editing..."
- Debugger Frontend:** A red dashed box around the Python UDF code editor shows the code for the 'Windowed Average Sentiment' stage. The code includes logic for updating sentiment scores and calculating a windowed average.
- Conditional Breakpoint:** A red dashed box around the 'Convert to binary label' stage shows a breakpoint condition: "sentiment\_score == 0.0".
- Debugger Instructions:** A red dashed box around the 'Result Panel' shows a console with messages: "New condition set for breakpoint 3.", "break 23", and "Breakpoint 4 at /tmp/tmpvtwrv14ufsTempFS/udf-v1.py:23". Below the console are controls for "All Workers", "Retry Tuple", "Step", and "Continue".

Other visible elements include a 'Property' panel on the right with settings for 'Worker count' (set to 1), 'Retain input columns', and 'Attribute Name Attribute Type' (set to 'double'). The bottom right corner shows the 'Operator Version: 754001516'.

# How to Support Interactions?

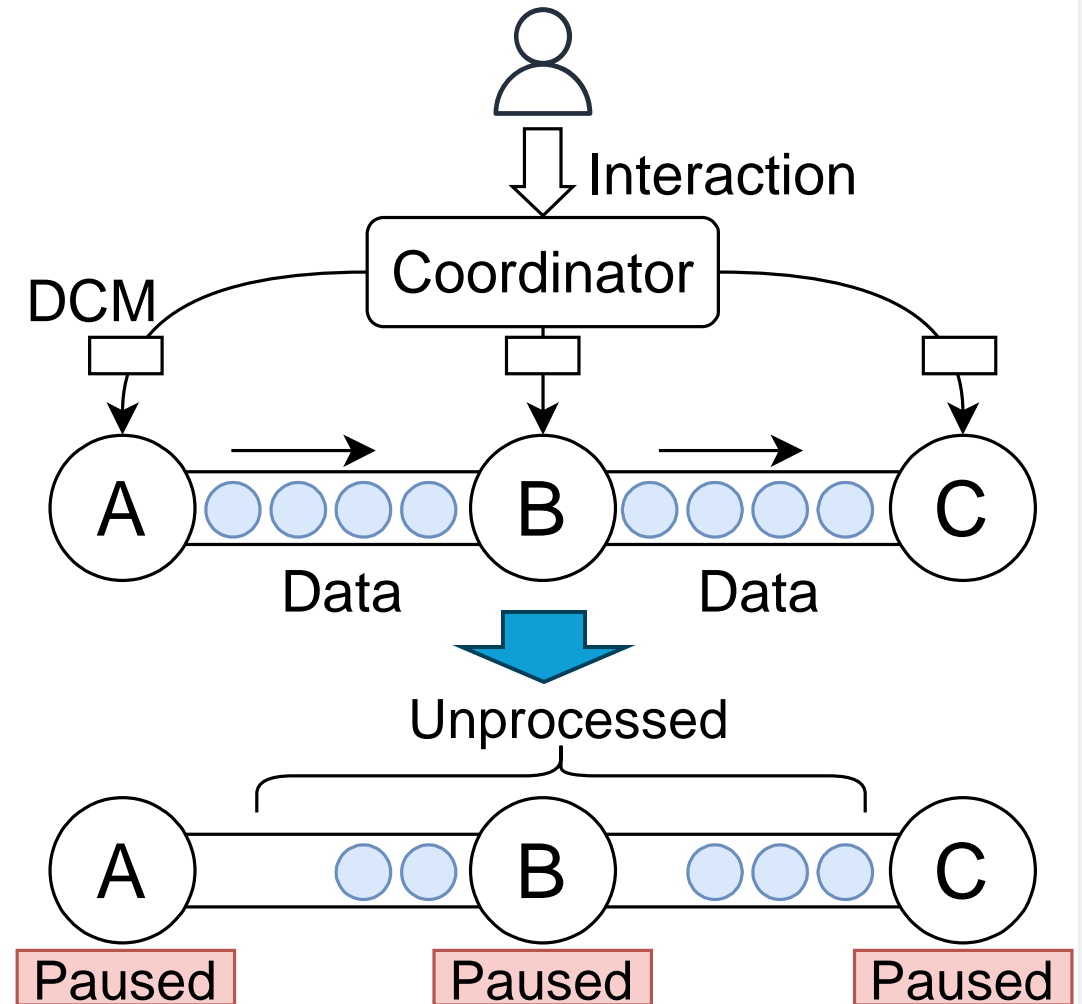
# texera

## System Architecture

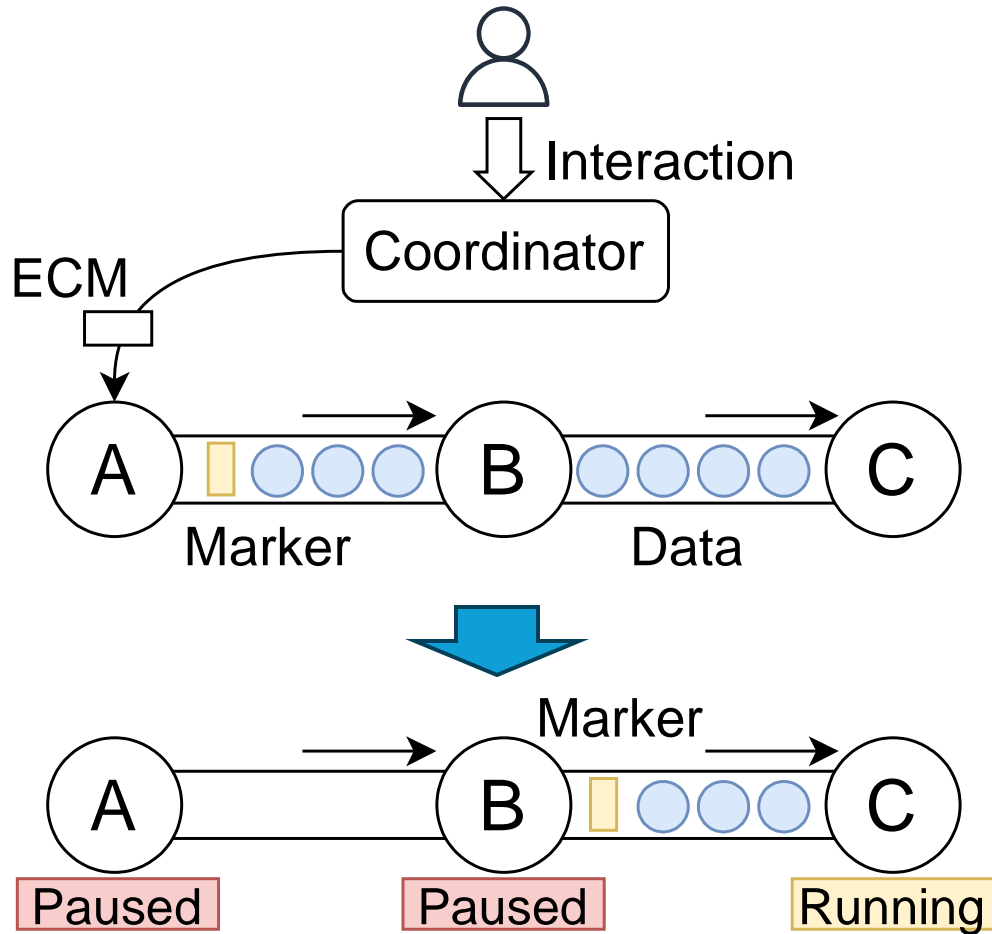


# How to Support Pause?

Method 1: Pause a Workflow with **Direct Control Message (DCM)**



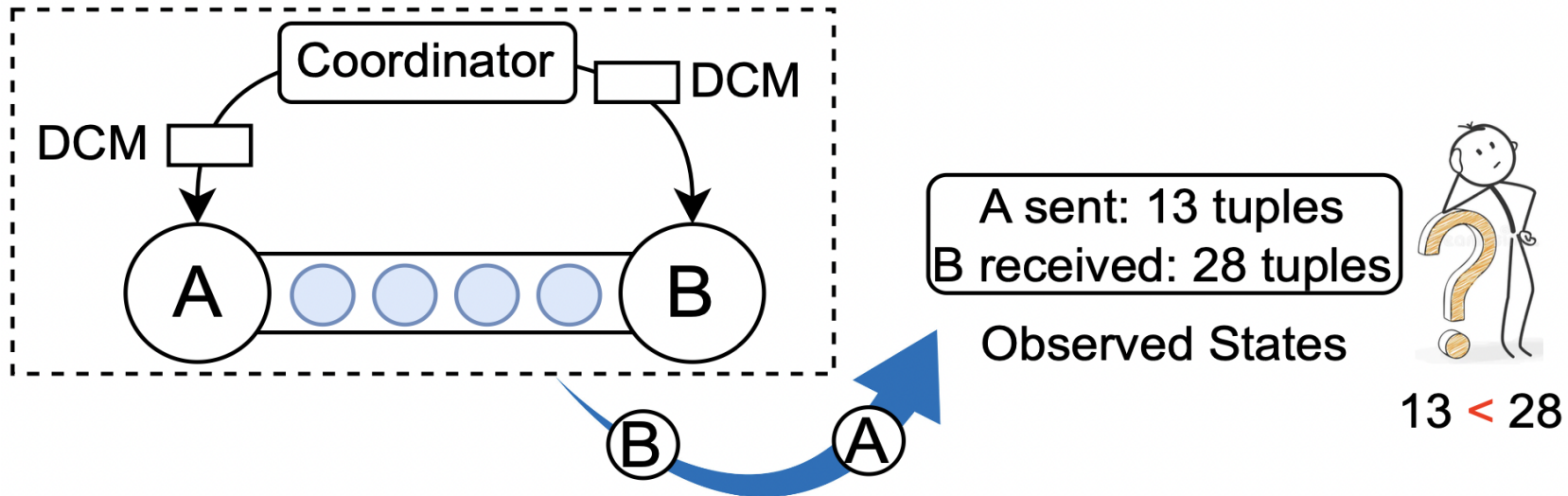




## How to Support Pause?

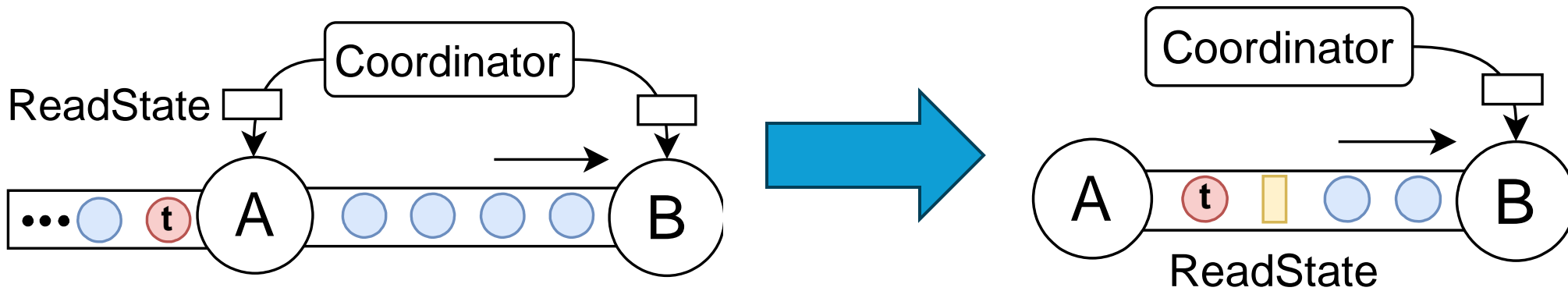
Method 2: Pause a Workflow with **Embedded Control Message (ECM)**

# How to Support Read States?



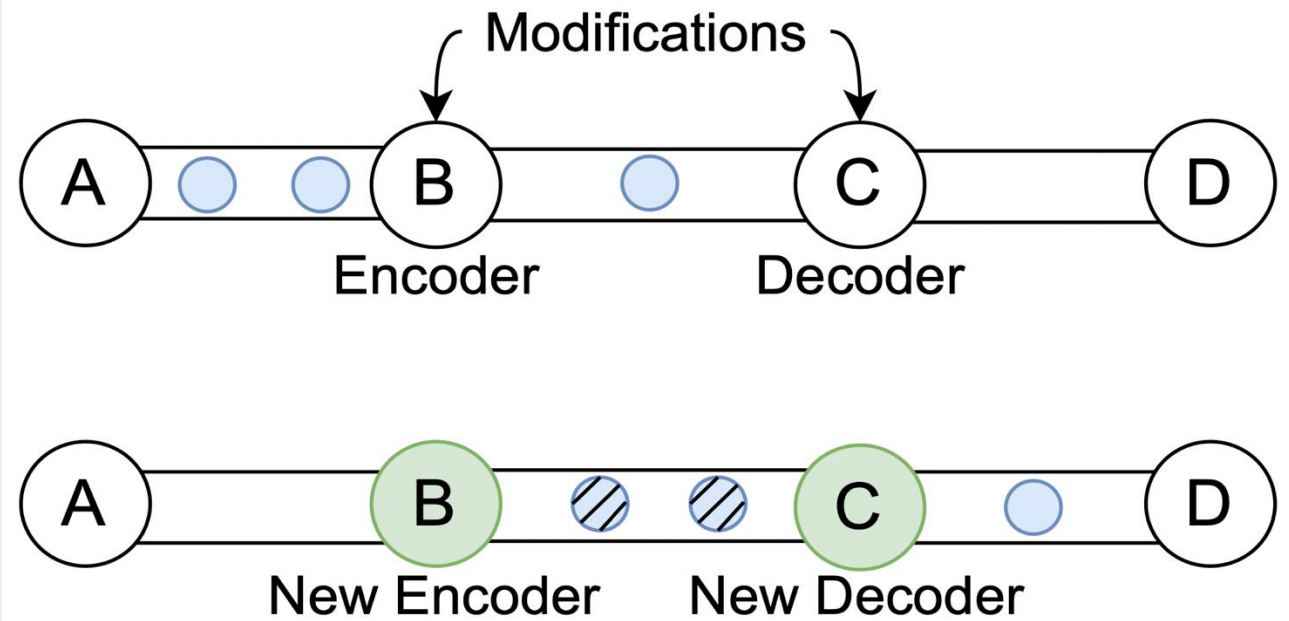
**Incorrect global state introduced by DCM**

# Combining ECMs and DCMs to Read States



# How to Support Modifications?

## Strict Consistency



A tuple should be processed by the **same** version.

# Experiments



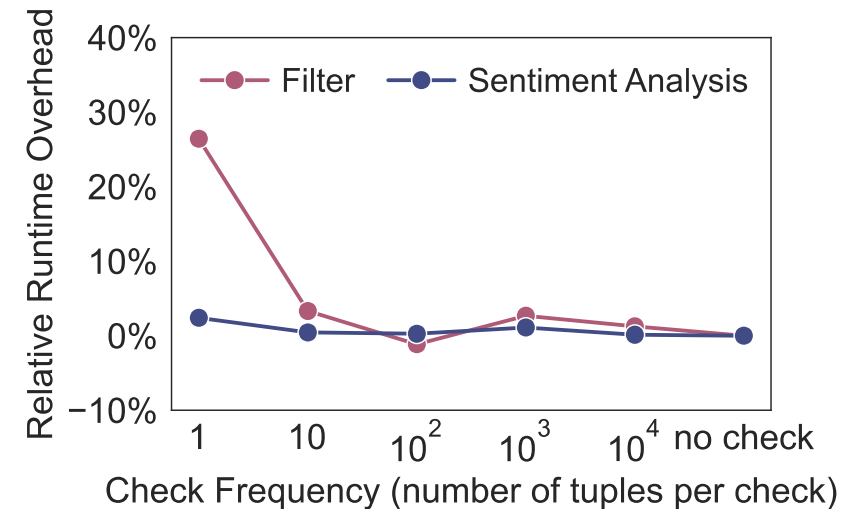
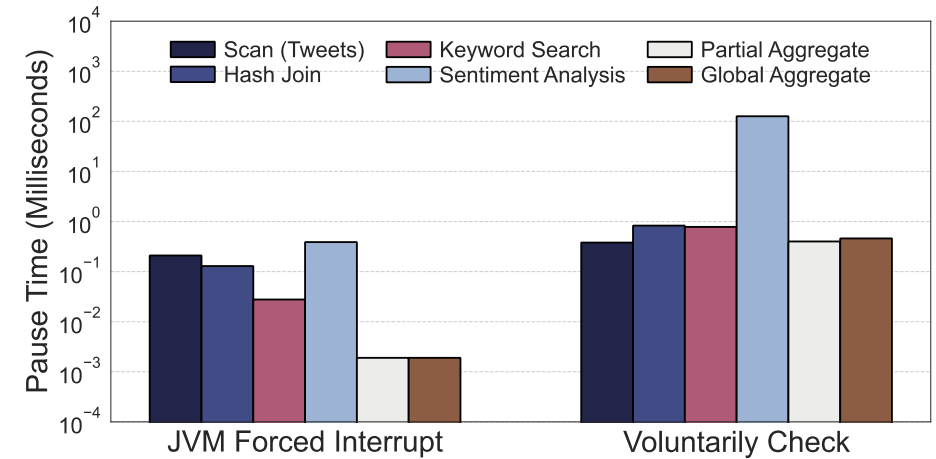
Low Interaction Latency



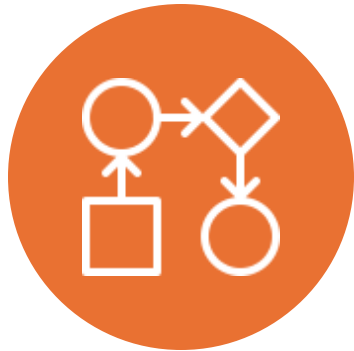
Low Runtime Overhead



High Scalability



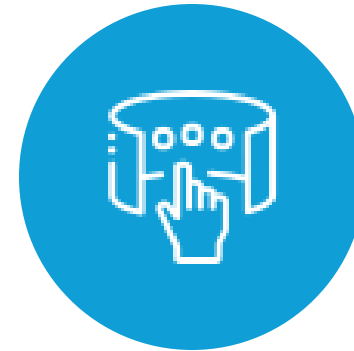
# Summary of **texera**



WORKFLOW



COLLABORATION



INTERACTIONS



Texera Live Service



Texera GitHub Repo

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**About**

Collaborative Machine-Learning-Centric Data Analytics Using Workflows

[texera.github.io](https://github.com/texera/texera)

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Dockerfile	Add Dockerfile for Building Texera Docker Image (#2548)	last month
LICENSE	Add license (#1873)	last year
README.md	Include the dKNET Webinar video in README (#2655)	2 weeks ago

**README** License

## Texera - Collaborative Data Analytics Using Workflows.

**texera**

Texera supports scalable computation and enables advanced AI/ML techniques. "Collaboration" is a key focus, and we enable an experience similar to Google Docs, but for data analytics.

[Demo Video](#) | [Blogs](#) | [Getting Started](#)

Users 332 Projects 86 Workflows 2,257 Executions 31K Workflow Versions 357K Deployments 7

Largest Deployment: 100 nodes, 400 cores

### Motivation

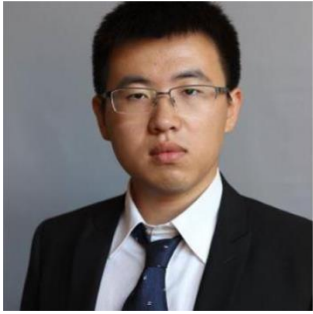
- Many data analysts need to spend a significant amount of effort on low-level computation to do data wrangling and preparation, and want to use latest AI/ML techniques. These tasks are especially tough for non-IT users.
- Many workflow-based analysis systems are not parallel, making them not capable of dealing with big data

# Project and Usage Metrics

# of user accounts	332	# of projects	86
# of workflows	2,481	# of executions	50,950
# of workflow versions	357,000	# of publications	23
# of deployed servers	7	# of CPU cores in the largest deployment	400
# of files on GitHub	1,291	# of lines of code on GitHub	101,690
# of pull requests on GitHub	2,252	# of current PhD students	7
# of collaborating professors	17	# of involved undergraduates	80+
# of completed PhD theses	3	# of development years	8



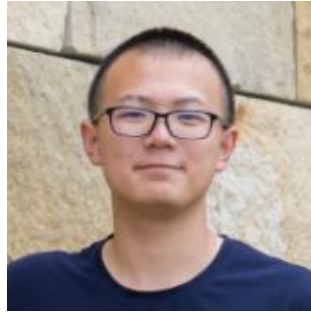
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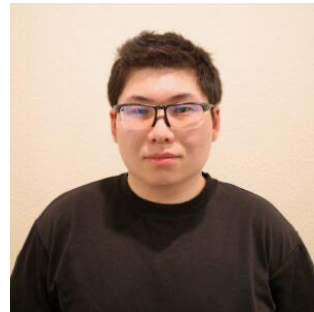
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