

# Trinity

A Distributed Graph Engine on a  
Memory Cloud

# Motivation

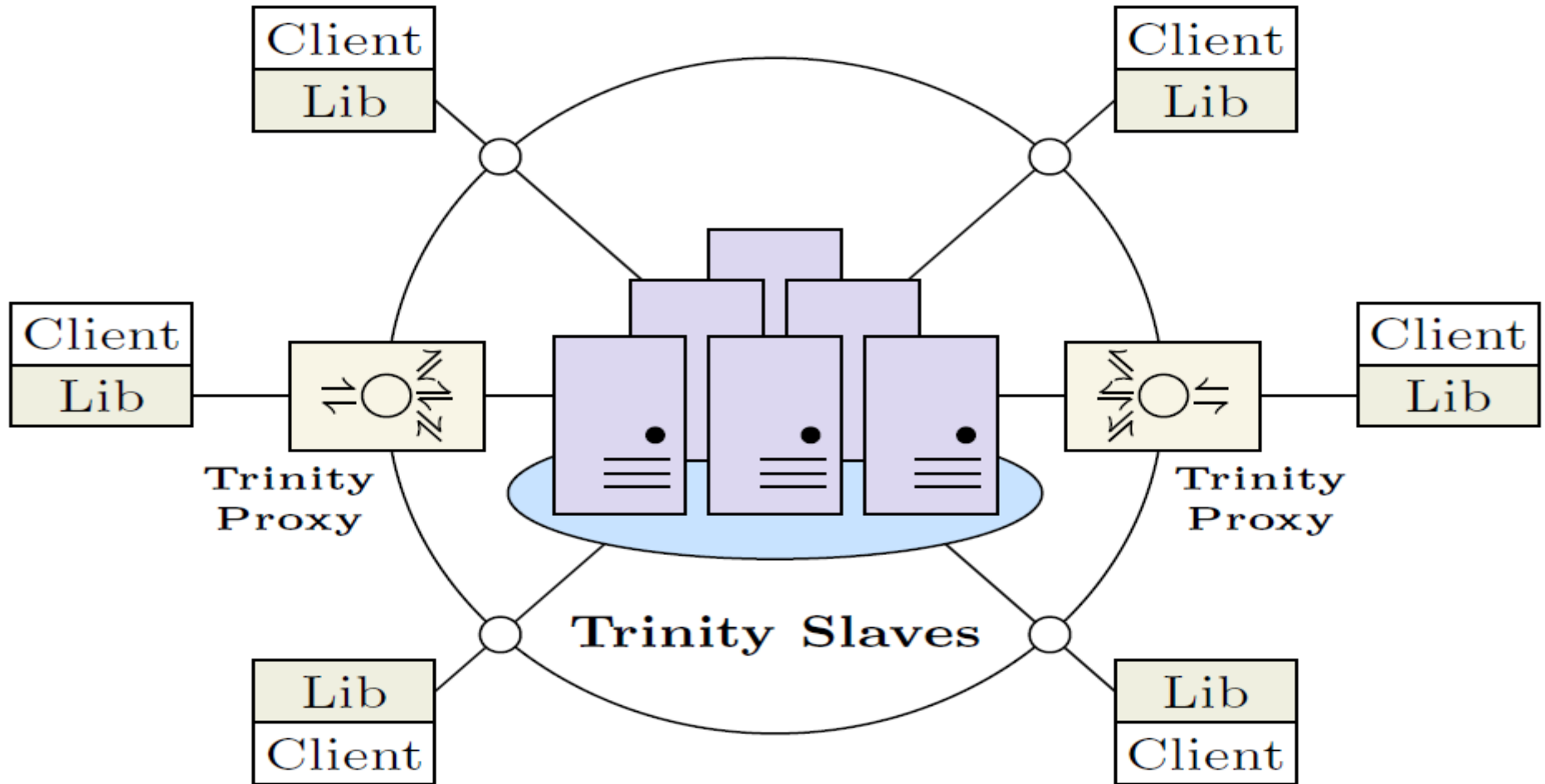
Polarized view on previous approaches:

	Graph Database	Query Processing	Graph Analytics	Scalability
Neo4J	Yes	Yes	No	No
HyperGraph DB	Yes	Yes	No	No
MapReduce	No	No	Yes	Yes
Pregel	No	No	Yes	Yes

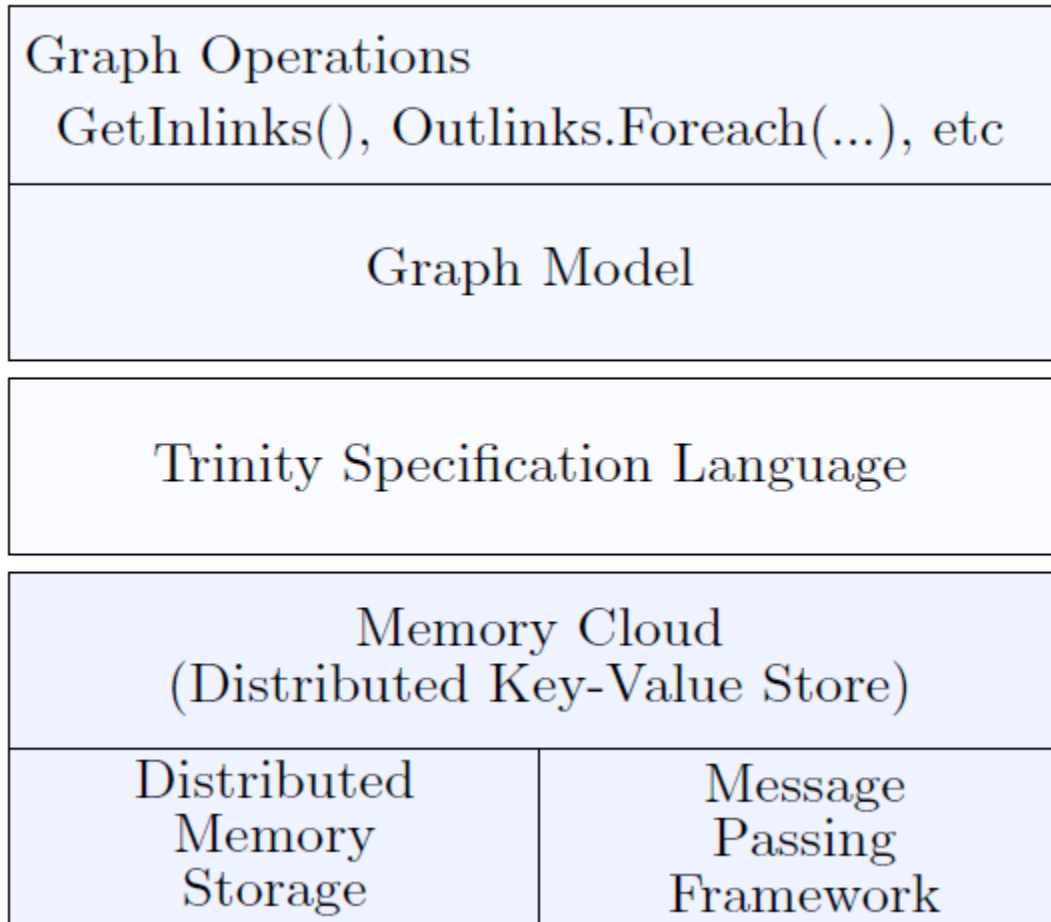
# Concept

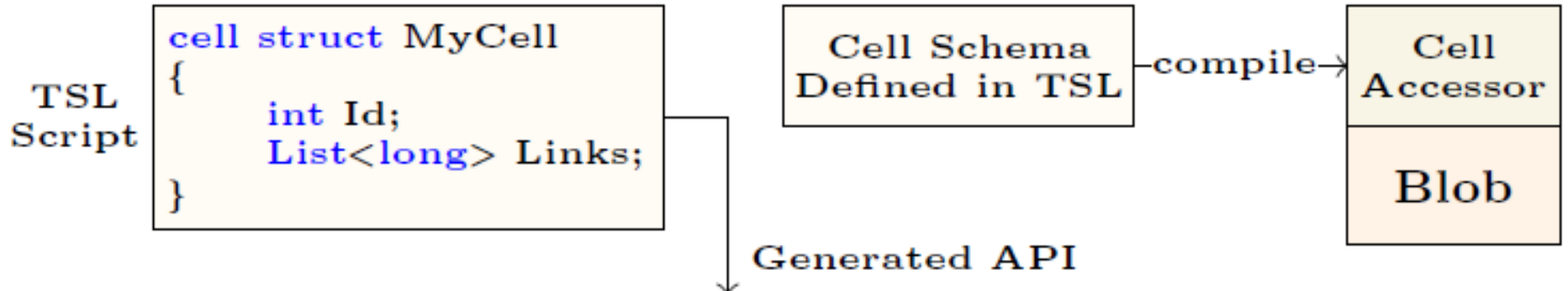
- Globally shared memory
- Distributed key/value store
- Random access abstraction for online queries (BFS, graph-matching)
- Scalability through partitioning
- Restrictions on message passing for improved performance

# Architecture 1/2



# Architecture 2/2





**Generated API**

```
using(var cell = UseMyCellAccessor(cellId))
{
    int Id = cell.Id; //Get the value of Id
    cell.Links[1] = 2; //Set Links[1] to 2
}
```

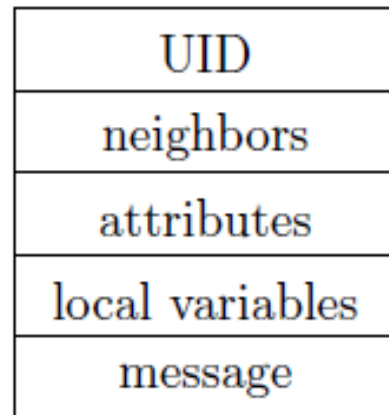
Manipulate MyCell via Cell Accessor

**Blob View**

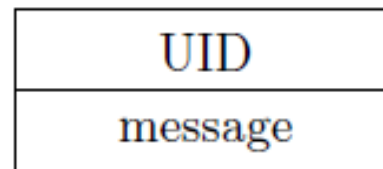
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# Message passing model

- Having all messages in memory: infeasible
- Assumption: fixed set of messaging partners
- Bipartite view effective but costly, better:



Type A vertices



Type B vertices

# Trinity Specification Language

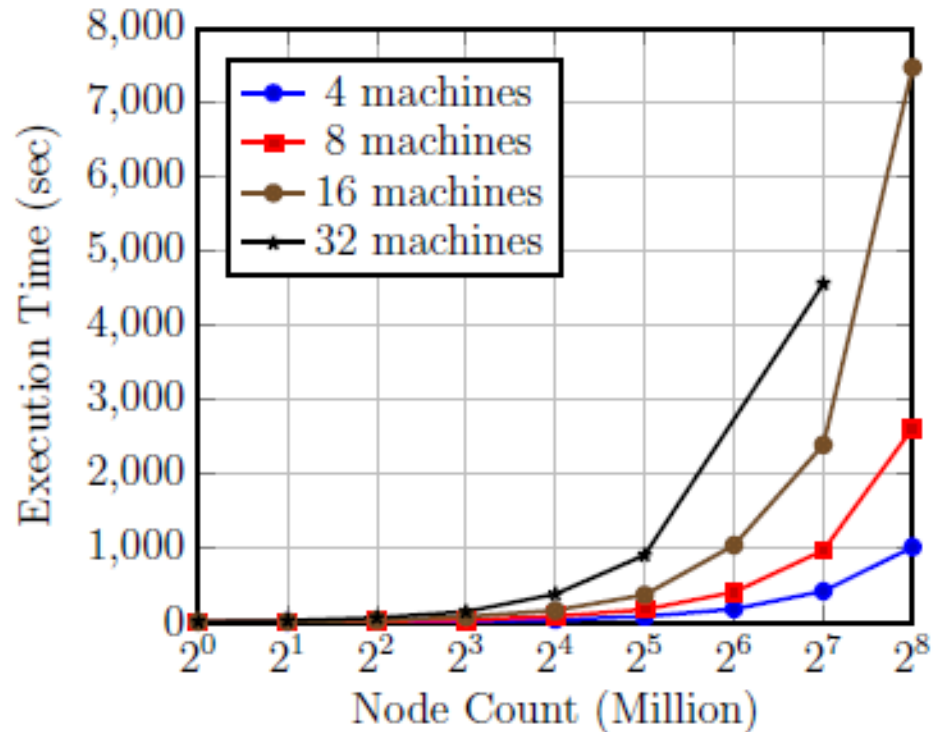
Object oriented manipulation through  
cell accessor abstraction

```
[CellType: NodeCell]
cell struct Movie
{
    string Name;
    [EdgeType: SimpleEdge, ReferencedCell: Actor]
    List<long> Actors;
}
```

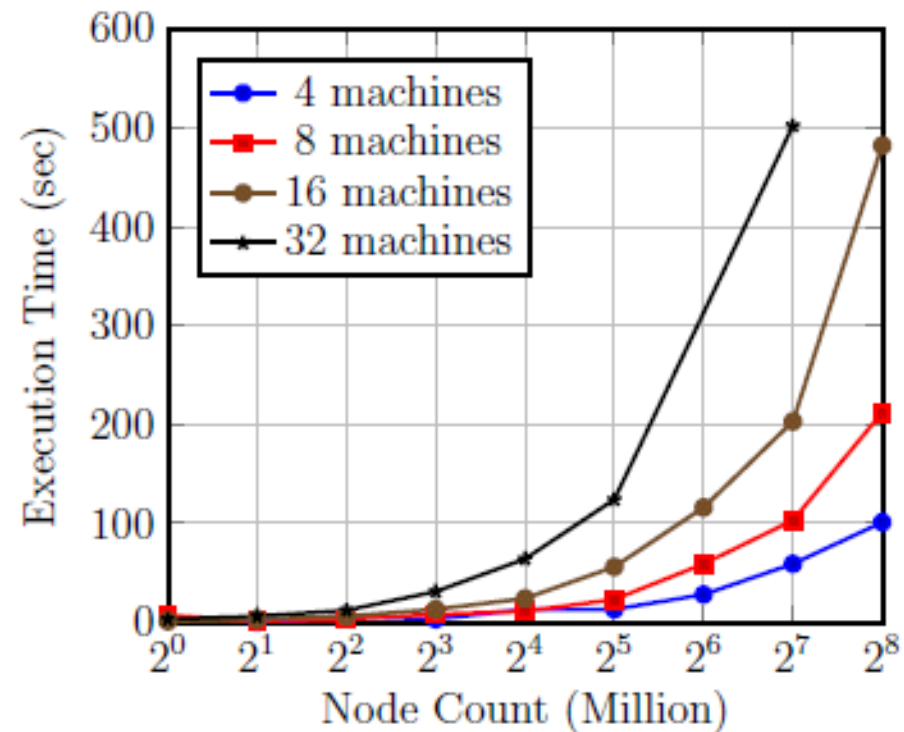


# Evaluation - BFS

(a) PBGL

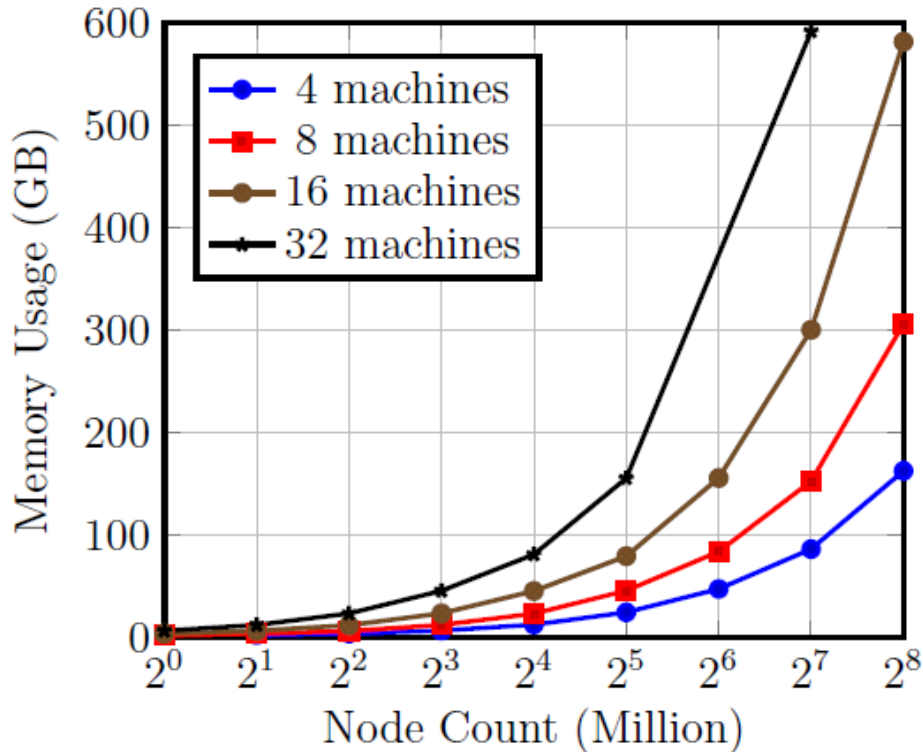


(b) Trinity

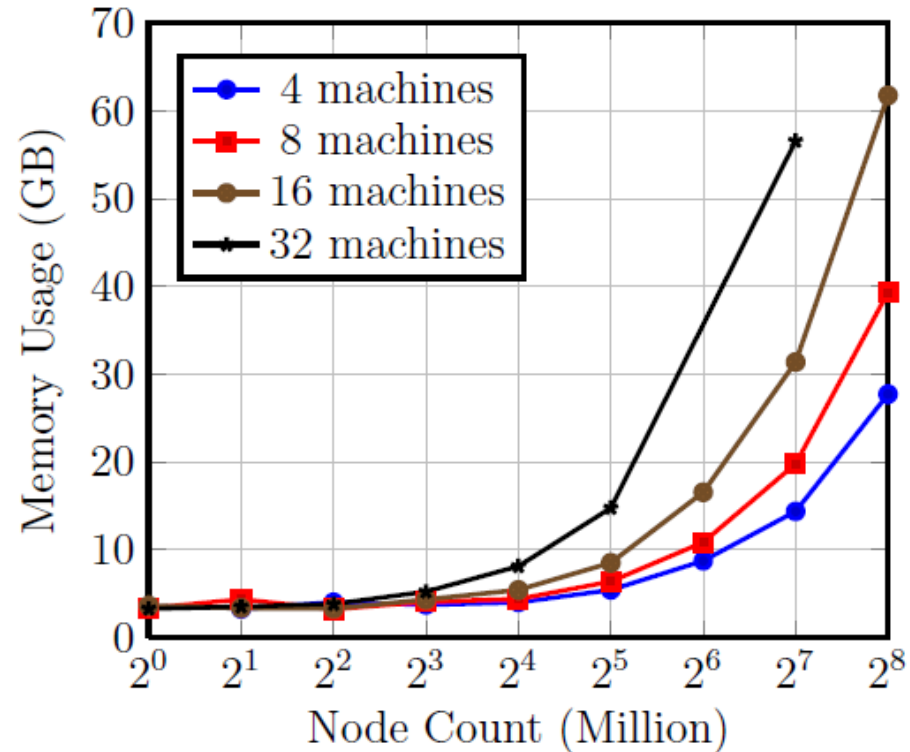


# Evaluation – Memory usage

(c) PBGL



(d) Trinity



# Conclusion

- Unified approach for distributed graph processing
- Efficient shared memory abstraction
- Fault recovery through checkpointing (depending on task)
- Library / coordination unclear
- No ACID transactions