

# **Multi-Source Inventory**

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## **Omnichannel**







Source: https://www.sparkpay.com/blog/What-is-omni-channel-retail



# It's impossible to build Omnichannel without Global Inventory





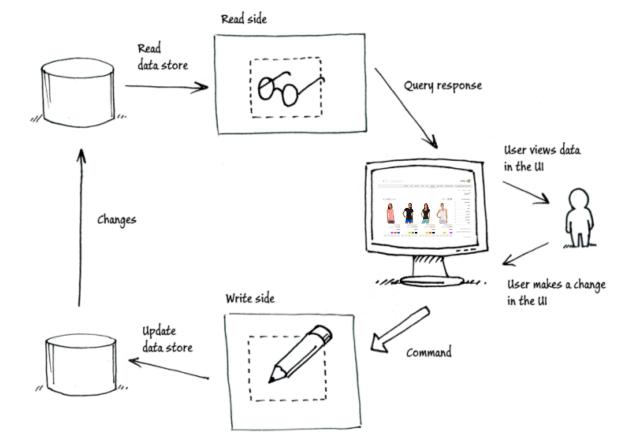


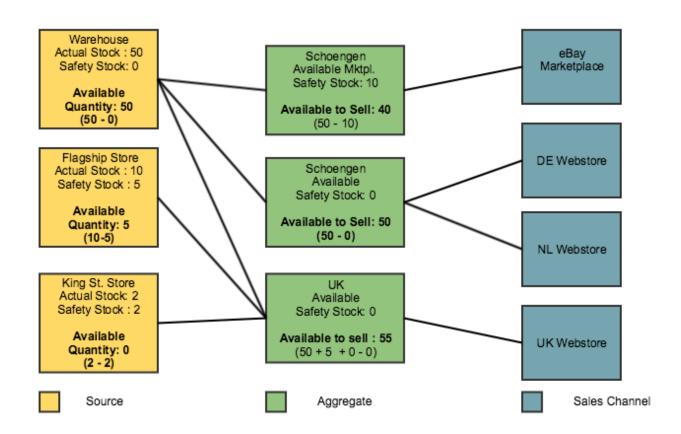
Split the inventory between the sources within one Magento installation.

# **Inventory Architecture**



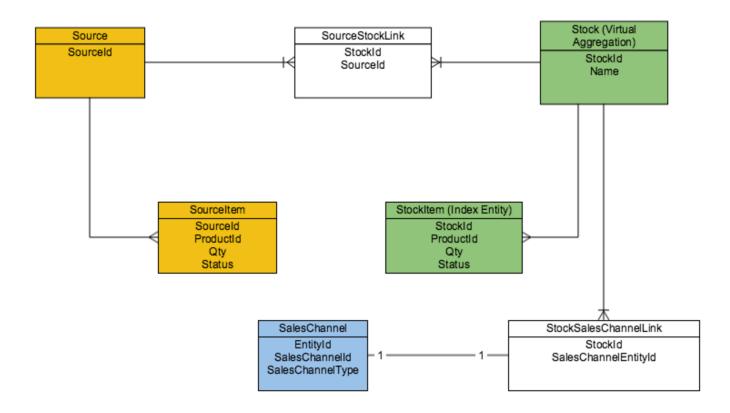
# Command/Query Responsibility Segregation (CQRS)





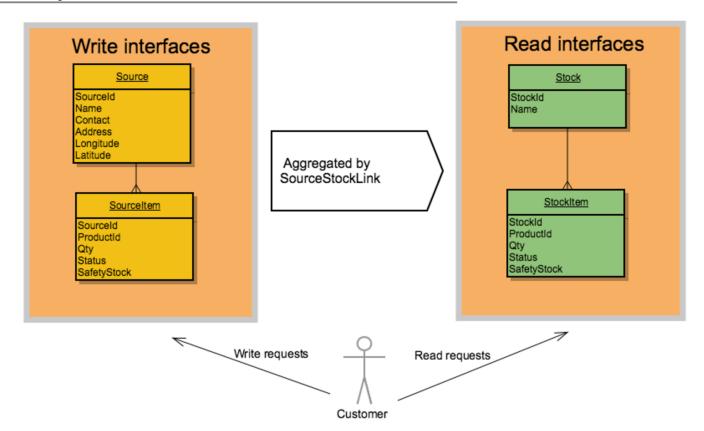


### Source Stock Sales Channels relation





#### Inventory - CQRS



# Inventory Source Selection During Checkout

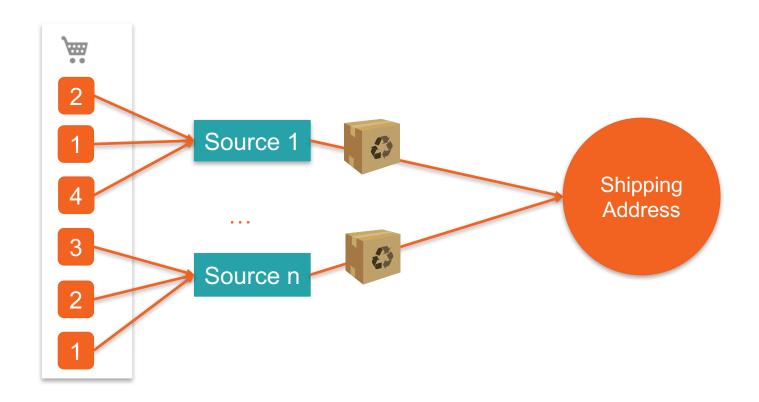




#### **Single Inventory Source Checkout**



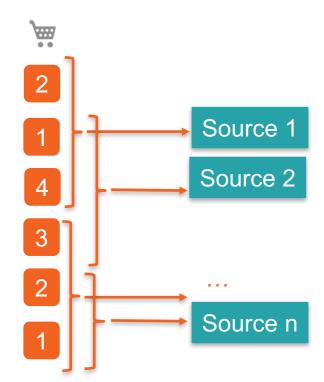
#### **Multiple Inventory Sources Checkout**





#### **Selection of Inventory Sources**

- Match products to the Inventory Sources in the optimal way
- Extensible and customizable
  - Different strategies possible for optimization





#### Possible Strategies

First by Priority

Cheapest

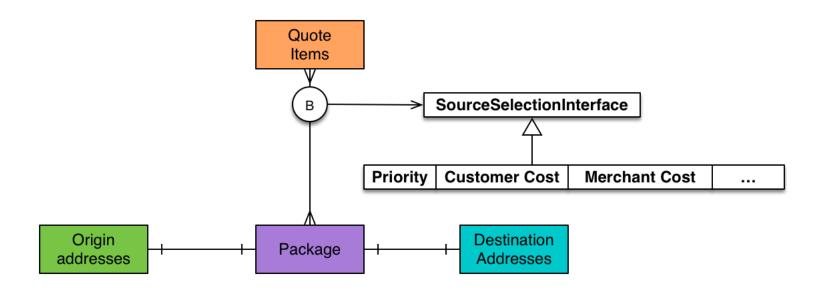
Warehouse Utilization

etc

- Use first Inventory Source which has enough inventory to ship all order items
- Use Inventory Source which is cheapest way for the customer and/or for the merchant
- Use Inventory Source which will balance the load between sources, improve warehouse utilization
- etc



#### Inventory Source Selection Interfaces







#### **Shipping Rate Calculations**

- Every source linked to the carriers.
- Shipping Method available on checkout are determined based on the source carriers
- If there are more than one shipping method needed to ship all items, the price of the shipping is a sum of all shipping methods
- It is possible to use with the flat rate shipment



#### **Order Fulfillment With Multiple Sources**

#### Payment & Shipping Method

#### **Payment Information**

Check / Money order

The order was placed using USD.

#### Shipping & Handling Information

United Parcel Service - Ground \$15.00 FedEx - Ground \$10.00

#### **Items Ordered**

Product	Item Status	Original Price	Price	Qty	Subtotal	Tax Amount	Tax Percent
Chaz Kangeroo Hoodie	Ordered	\$52.00	\$52.00	Ordered 10	\$52.00	\$0.00	0%



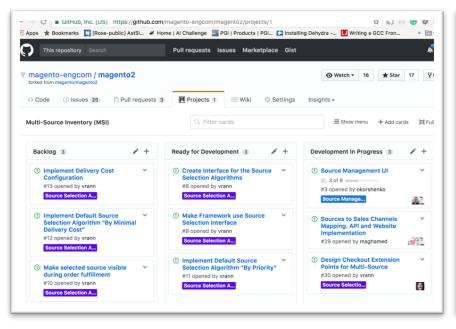
# **Building Feature With the Community**

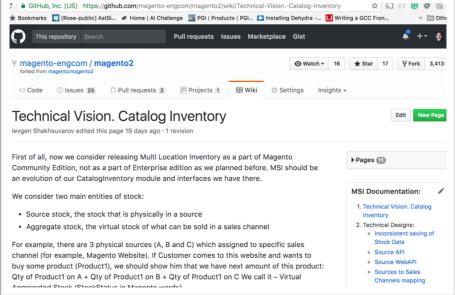




#### **Community Collaboration**

#### Kanban board and Wiki are on the GitHub

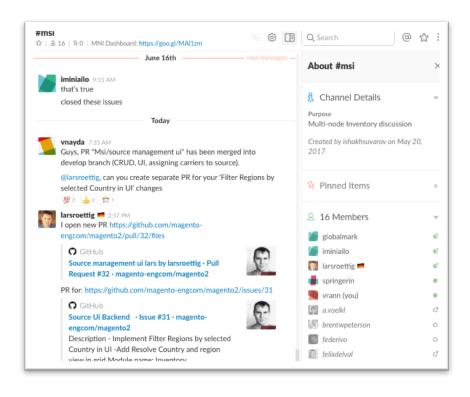






#### Slack to Exchange ideas

Write a note to <a href="mailto:engcom@magento.com">engcom@magento.com</a> to join #msi slack channel





#### **Decomposing Stories, guiding Developers**

#### **Community Engineering Architects**

- Decomposing the large feature into small stories
  - Investigation of the needed APIs
  - Documentation on the integration points and needed refactoring
  - Clarification of the requirements with PO and architecture council
  - Continuous work with the team on tasks and stories
- Guiding Developers:
  - Onboarding on the project
  - Continuous discussions in the slack and web conferences
  - Weekly meetings
  - Status updates



#### **Participating in Community Project**

Get engaged: engcom@magento.com

- Fun work with the core platform team
- Feature requested by number of clients
- Different tasks:
  - some are small enough to do in couple days
  - some are big enough to be significant feature by itself
- Footprint in the Magento Core



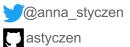
#### **#MLUK17 Contribution Day**

2 pull requests with the new features for MSI





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#### Challenges

- Build CQRS architecture which will segregate Virtual Stocks from Physical ones.
- Efficient Source Selection Algorithms. Algorithm which assigns
  the particular inventory to the order item. "Minimal Delivery
  Cost" should not impact checkout performance drastically.
- Performance. Sync vs Async
  - Algorithm
  - Synchronization with PIM and ERP
- Magento as a global inventory control system. Reservation API.

# Thanks y'all!

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