



# SESSION **03**

Edge Analytics Fundamentals  
**STREAMING DATA INPUTS**  
Manage data properties in Crosser Flow Studio



# Session 3

## Agenda

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# THE PROPERTY MAPPER MODULE

The Swiss army knife for re-formatting messages



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# Module

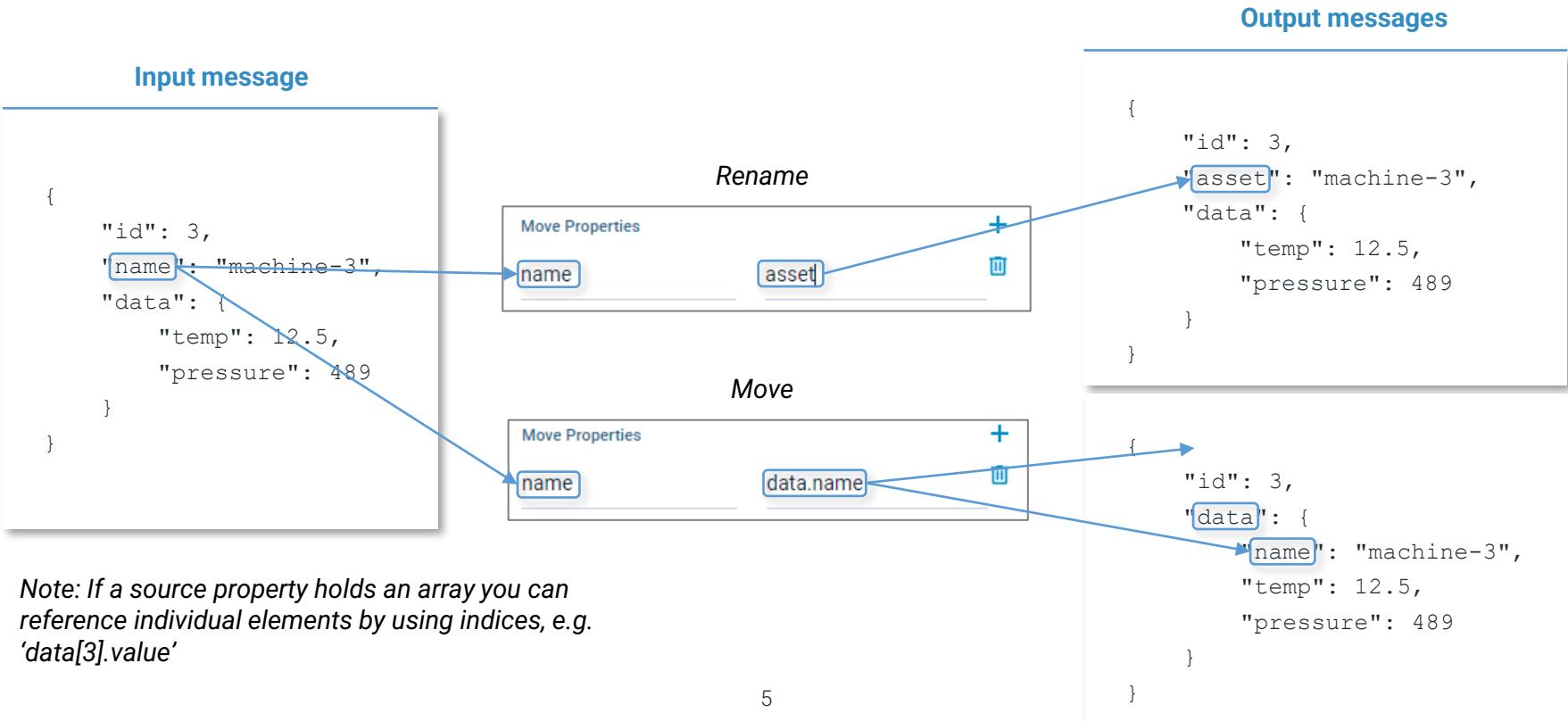
## Property Mapper

- The **Property Mapper** module is used to change the format of messages (not the values!).
- Use it to:
  - Rename properties
  - Move or copy properties between any hierarchy levels
  - Remove properties
  - Add new properties
- Two modes of operation:
  - Keep properties = True*
    - Start with a copy of the input message
    - Use Move/Remove/Add to modify the message
  - Keep properties = False*
    - Start with an empty output message
    - Use Move and Add to specify the content of the output message

The screenshot shows the 'Property Mapper' configuration page. At the top, there's a navigation bar with tabs: 'Settings' (which is active), 'Common', and 'Documentation >'. Below the tabs, there are fields for 'Name' (set to 'Property Mapper') and 'Version' (set to '3.0.1'). A checkbox labeled 'Keep Properties' is checked, with a note below it stating: 'If true all properties not renamed or removed will be included in the output. False will only include properties renamed or added'. There are three main sections with '+' icons: 'Move Properties' (with entries 'data.id' and 'data.name'), 'Remove Properties' (with a note 'The name of the property to remove.'), and 'Add Properties' (with an entry 'source' and a value 'mqtt').

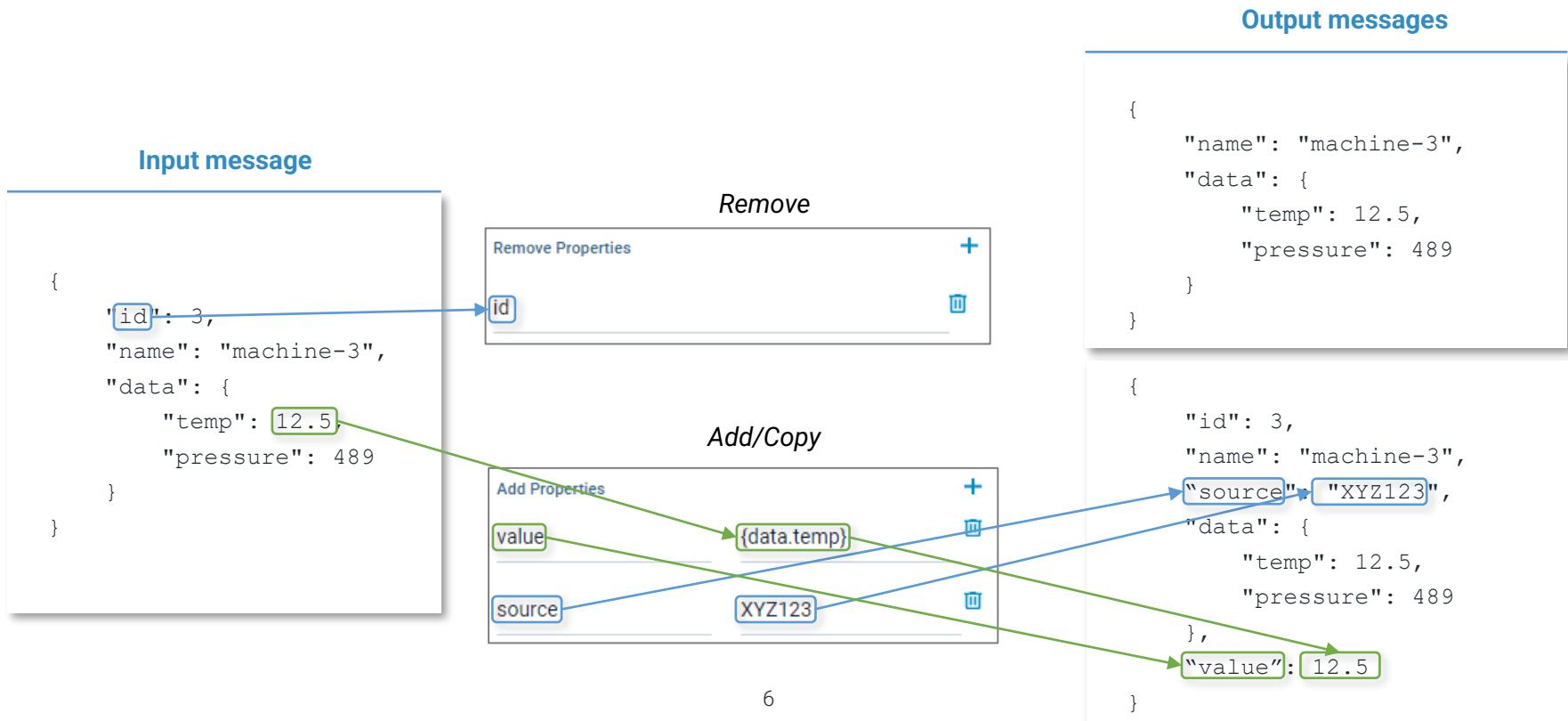
# Example 1

## Rename & Move



# Example 2

## Remove & Add



# Example 2

## Template syntax

**Input message**

```
{  
    "id": 3,  
    "name": "machine-3",  
    "data": {  
        "temp": 12.5,  
        "pressure": 489  
    }  
}
```

**Template syntax**

- Template syntax can be used in all rules to reference message data
- Any property surrounded by {} will be replaced by its value
- If a single {} is used the type of the value will be maintained
- Multiple references can be used to create text strings, e.g. "{name}\_{id}"

**Add Properties**

value	(data.temp)	source	XYZ123
+	+	+	+
trash	trash	trash	trash

**Output messages**

```
{  
    "name": "machine-3",  
    "data": {  
        "temp": 12.5,  
        "pressure": 489  
    }  
}  
  
{  
    "id": 3,  
    "name": "machine-3",  
    "asset": "XYZ123",  
    "data": {  
        "temp": 12.5,  
        "pressure": 489  
    }  
},  
    "value": 12.5
```

# Example 3

## 'Keep Properties'

**Input message**

```
{  
  "id": 3,  
  "name": "machine-3",  
  "data": {  
    "temp": 12.5,  
    "pressure": 489  
  }  
}
```

*Keep Properties = True*

Keep Properties  
If true all properties not renamed or removed will be included in the output. False will only include properties renamed or added

Move Properties

+ name → data.name → -

*Keep Properties = False*

Keep Properties  
If true all properties not renamed or removed will be included in the output. False will only include properties renamed or added

Move Properties

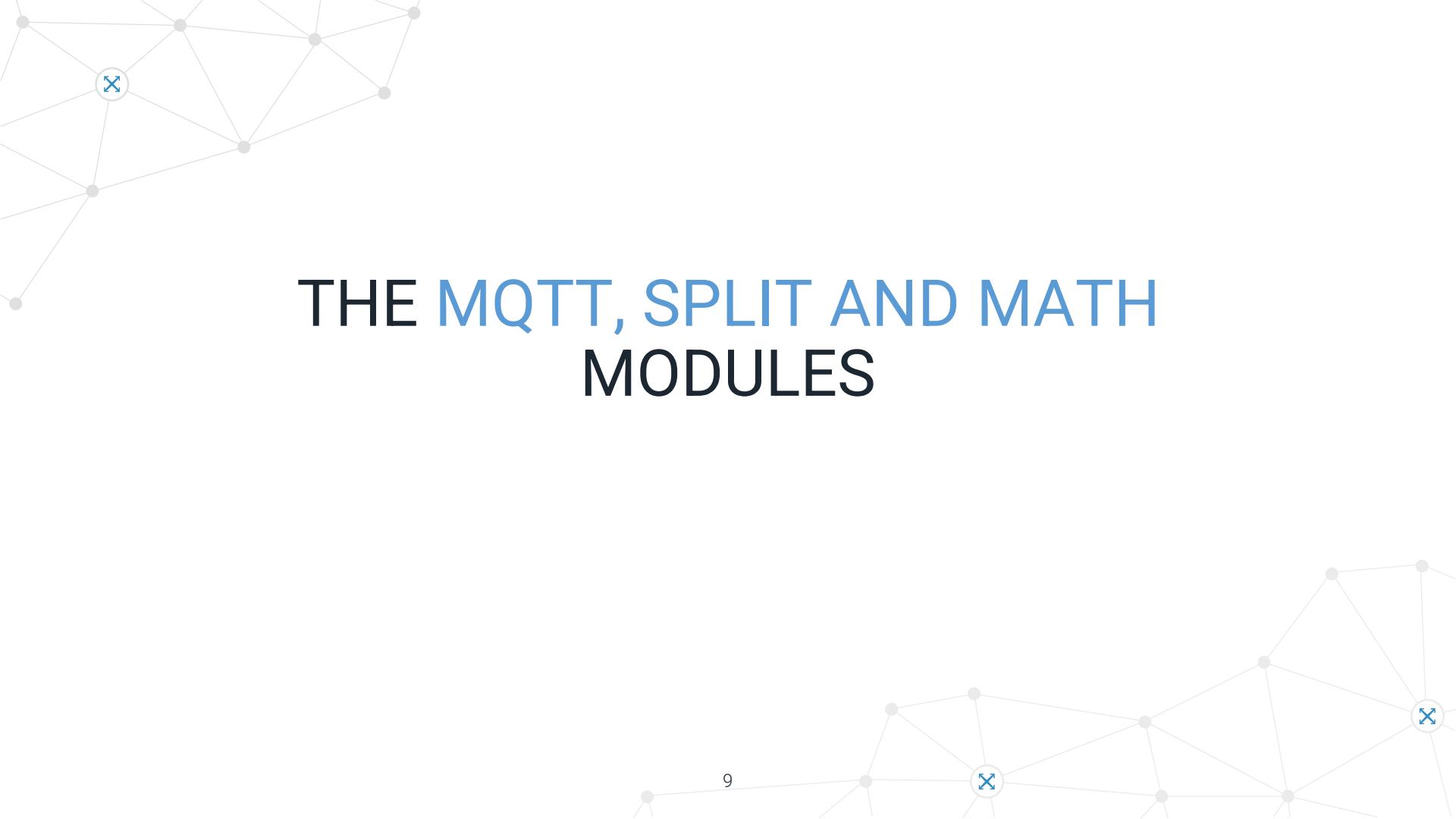
+ name → data.name → -

Note: 'Remove' rules has no effect if 'Keep Properties' is disabled

**Output messages**

```
{  
  "id": 3,  
  "data": {  
    "name": "machine-3",  
    "temp": 12.5,  
    "pressure": 489  
  }  
}
```

```
{  
  "data": {  
    "name": "machine-3",  
  }  
}
```



# THE MQTT, SPLIT AND MATH MODULES

# Module

## MQTT Sub Client

- The MQTT Sub Client module is used to subscribe to MQTT messages from an external MQTT Broker.
  - Data will be pushed from the broker, i.e. can arrive at any time
- MQTT Topic
  - Select which data to receive
  - Wildcards
    - '+' is single level wild card  
Example of usage: `myhome/+/temperature` matches `myhome/abc/temperature` but not `myhome/a/b/c/temperature`
    - '#' is multi-level wild card  
Example of usage: `myhome/#/temperature` matches `myhome/abc/temperature` and `myhome/a/b/c/temperature`
- Output Format (message parsing)
  - Raw / JSON / XML (JSON default)
- The *MQTT Sub Broker* module has the same functionality but gets data from the internal MQTT broker

The screenshot shows the configuration interface for the 'MQTT Sub Client' module. The top navigation bar includes tabs for 'Settings' (which is selected), 'Common', and 'Documentation >'. The main configuration area contains the following fields:

- Name:** MQTT Sub Client
- Version:** 6.0.0
- Topic:** test

MQTT Topic, wildcard is allowed. Wildcards: <code>+</code> is single level, <code>#</code> is multi level</code>
- Target Property:** data

The property that will contain the result
- URL:** 192.168.1.105

The URL of the MQTT broker to use

# Module

## Split

- The Split module is used to split/route messages to different outputs using condition groups, one output per condition group
- The only module with multiple outputs
- Conditions Groups
  - One or several conditions on message content
  - How to handle multiple conditions:  
All conditions in group fulfilled (true (AND) or false (OR))
  - What to do when expected data is missing from a message: MissingOK
    - If 'MissingOK' is enabled conditions with missing properties will be treated as 'true'



A screenshot of the Crosser interface showing the 'Split' module configuration. The top navigation bar includes 'Settings' (which is selected), 'Common', and 'Documentation >'. The 'Version' field is set to '2.1.2'. In the 'Condition Groups' section, there is a text input field 'Enter new group name here' and a button 'ADD GROUP'. A detailed configuration panel for the 'existing (1)' group is open, showing a 'Conditions' section with a 'Source Property' set to 'id', an 'Operator' of 'Is Not Null', and a 'Value' field. There are also '+' and '-' buttons for managing conditions.

# MODULE

## Math

- Perform arbitrary mathematical calculations on flow data
- Write expressions with flow data using template syntax (`{}`)
- The result of a previous calculation can be used in the following expressions (all results will be present on the output message)
- Large number of mathematical functions supported (see docs):
  - +, -, \*, /
  - Trigonometry
  - Log/Power
- Conditional outputs using *if* statements (cf Excel)

The screenshot shows the configuration interface for the 'Math' module. At the top, there's a circular icon with a grid symbol, followed by the text 'Math' and 'Math'. Below this, there are three tabs: 'Settings' (which is underlined in blue), 'Common', and 'Documentation >'. The 'Settings' tab contains the following fields:

- Name:** Math
- Version:** 1.0.0
- Compatible with all Nodes from:** 2.5

In the 'Expressions' section, there are two entries:

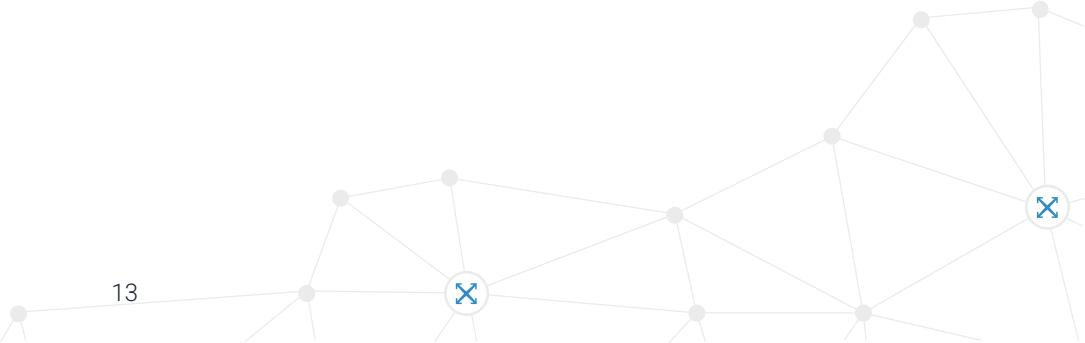
- pressure\_psi, {data.pressure\_bar}\*14.5038
- temp\_F, {(data.temp\_C)\*9/5+32}

Below these entries is the text 'The list of math expressions'. On the right side of the interface, there are several small icons: a plus sign, a minus sign, a magnifying glass, a trash can, and a dropdown arrow.



# EXERCISE 2

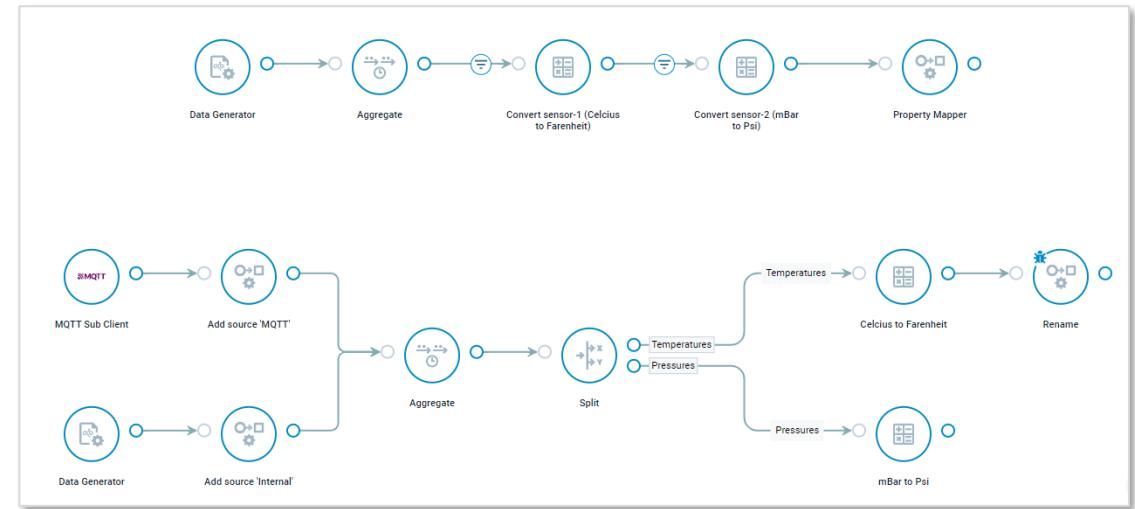
Process streaming data



# Exercise 2

## Overview

- Process streaming data from multiple sources
- Use Message filters to do conditional processing
- Separate processing into multiple paths based on data
- Add metadata





# First flow

Single-path processing of multi-source data



# Exercise 2.1

## Overview



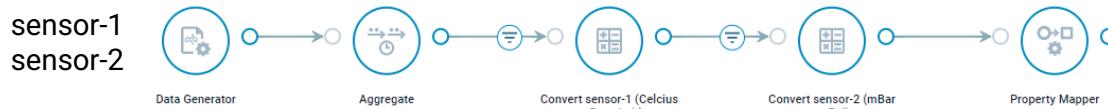
```
{  
  "sensor-1": 77.48624  
}
```

```
{  
  "sensor-2": 17.17539  
}
```

- Use internally generated data to simulate streaming data from two sensors (*sensor-1* and *sensor-2*)
- Average data over 10 seconds
- Convert the data (we will assume *sensor-1* is temperature in Celsius and *sensor-2* is pressure in Bar)
- Use message filters to separate data sources
- Reformat result

# Exercise 2.1

## Data Generator and Aggregate modules



```
{  
  "sensor-1": 77.48624  
}
```

```
{  
  "sensor-2": 17.17539  
}
```

After adding each module, run the flow in a sandbox and look at the output and make sure you understand how the settings affects the result

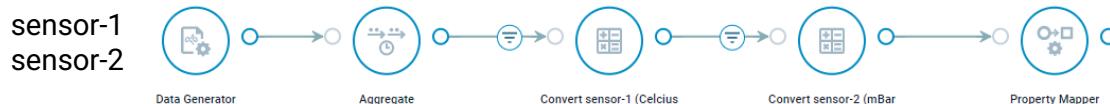
1. Create a new flow called [Exercise 2.1](#)
2. Add a [Data Generator](#) module with the following settings:
  - Number of samples: [2](#)
  - Add JSON template from the box to the right and click on [Update](#)
  - Data Rules: `data.name` / Behavior: [Identifier](#)
3. Add an [Aggregate](#) module:
  - Source Property: `data.name`
  - Value Property: `data.value`
  - Target Property: `stats`
  - Interval: [10 seconds](#)

Data Generator JSON template

```
{  
  "data": {  
    "name": "sensor",  
    "value": 25.5  
  }  
}
```

# Exercise 2.1

## Math and Property Mapper modules



```
{  
    "sensor-1": 77.48624  
}  
  
{  
    "sensor-2": 17.17539  
}
```

4. Add a **Math** module:
  - Add an Expression and set:
    - Target Property: `convertedValue`
    - Expression: `14.503773773*{stats.average}/1000`
  - Add a Message Filter:
    - Source Property: `stats.name`, operator: `Equal To`, value: `sensor-2`, Type: `String`
    - Bypass message to next module in flow if filters does not match: `Enabled`
5. Add a second **Math** module:
  - Add an expression and set:
6. Add a **Property Mapper** module:
  - Keep Properties: `Disabled`
  - Add Property: New name: `{stats.name}` New value: `{convertedValue}`

# Exercise 2.1

## Wrap-up



```
{  
  "sensor-1": 77.48624  
}
```

```
{  
  "sensor-2": 17.17539  
}
```

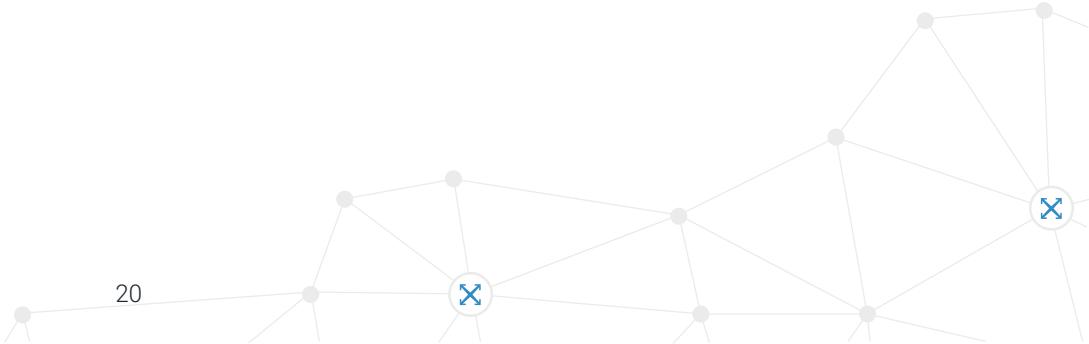
Things to test/consider:

- Why do we need filters on the Math modules?
- What happens if you turn off “Bypass message to next module in flow if filters does not match”?
- Why is the result in both Math modules assigned to the same property?
- Why is there {} around “stats.name” in the Property Mapper module?
- What happens if you enable “Keep Properties” on the Property Mapper module?



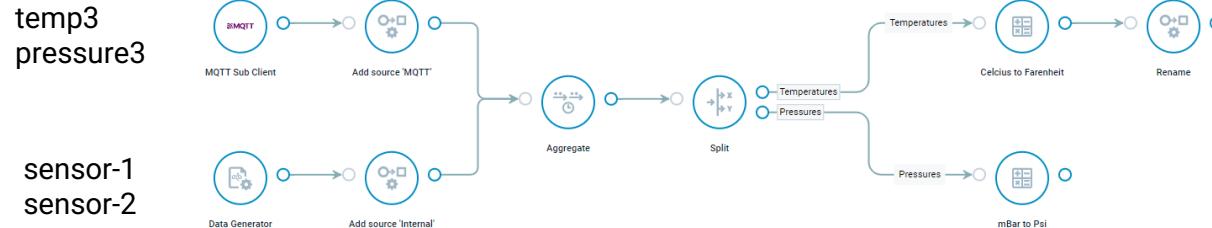
## Second flow

Multi-path processing of multi-source data



# Exercise 2.2

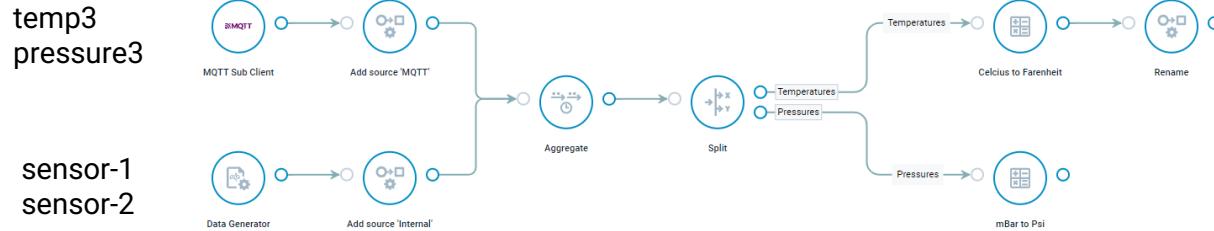
## Overview



- Receive data from temperature and pressure sensors from two input sources every second
- Add metadata to separate inputs
- Split into separate paths based on naming
- Convert units: C → F and mBar → Psi
- Reformat result

# Exercise 2.2

## MQTT and Property Mapper modules



```
{  
    "Temperature_MQTT": 77.48624  
}  
  
{  
    "data": {  
        "Pressure": 17.17539  
    }  
}
```

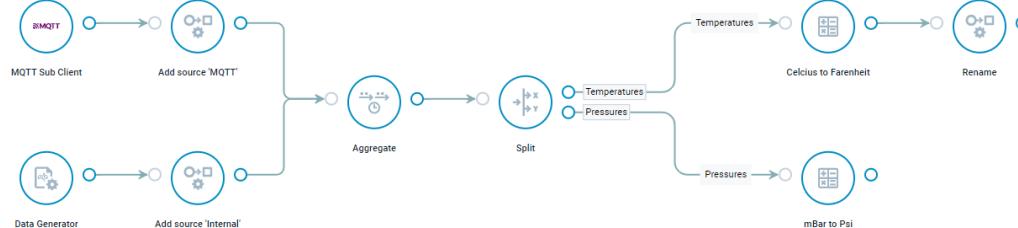
After adding each module, run the flow in a sandbox and look at the output and make sure you understand how the settings affects the result

1. Create a new flow from the Exercise 2.1 flow and change the name to **Exercise 2.2**
2. Add a **MQTT Sub Client** module:
  - Topic: **sandbox**
  - URL: **10.0.48.117**
3. Add a **Property Mapper** module after each input module:
  - Add a Property called **source** and set the value to **MQTT** resp. **Internal**
4. Connect the outputs of the Property Mapper modules to the Aggregate module

# Exercise 2.2

## Split module

temp3  
pressure3



```
{
    "Temperature_MQTT": 77.48624
}
```

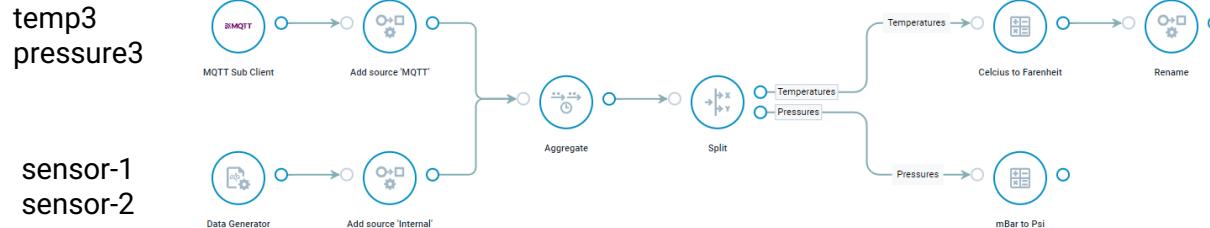
```
{
    "data": {
        "Pressure": 17.17539
    }
}
```

### 5. Add a **Split** module:

- Add a first Condition Group:
  - Group Name: **Temperatures**
  - Rule: **Or**
  - First condition:
    - Name: **stats.name**
    - Operator: **Contains**
    - Value: **temp**
    - Type: **String**
  - Second condition:
    - Name: **stats.name**
    - Operator: **Equal To**
    - Value: **sensor-1**
    - Type: **String**
- Add a second Condition Group:
  - Group Name: **Pressures**
  - Rule: **Or**
  - First condition:
    - Name: **stats.name**
    - Operator: **Contains**
    - Value: **pressure**
    - Type: **String**
  - Second condition:
    - Name: **stats.name**
    - Operator: **Equal To**
    - Value: **sensor-2**
    - Type: **String**

# Exercise 2.2

## Connect everything together

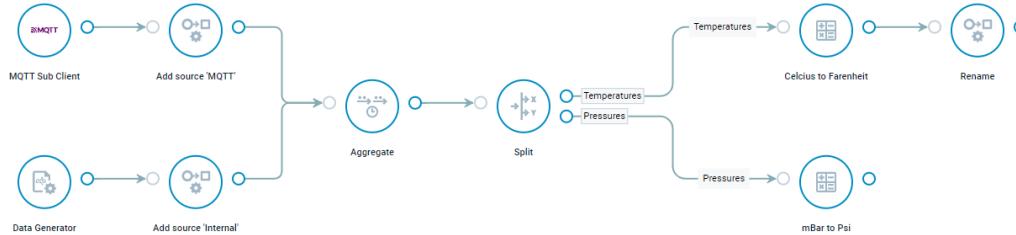


6. Remove the message filters from the Math modules and connect them to the respective outputs of the Split module. Also change the Target Property to `data.Temperature` and `data.Pressure` respectively
7. Add a **Property Mapper** module after the temperature conversion module:
  - Keep Properties: `Disabled`
  - Add Property: New name: `Temperature_{source}`, New value: `{data.Temperature}`

# Exercise 2.2

## Wrap-up

temp3  
pressure3



```
{  
    "Temperature_MQTT": 77.48624  
}
```

```
{  
    "data": {  
        "Pressure": 17.17539  
    }  
}
```

Things to test/consider:

- Why do we not need filters on the Math modules now?
- How do you know which data that comes out through each output on the Split module?
- Why is {} used around both the *name* and the *value* settings in the last Property Mapper module?



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How to work with external streaming inputs

Re-format messages

Split messages into different paths

