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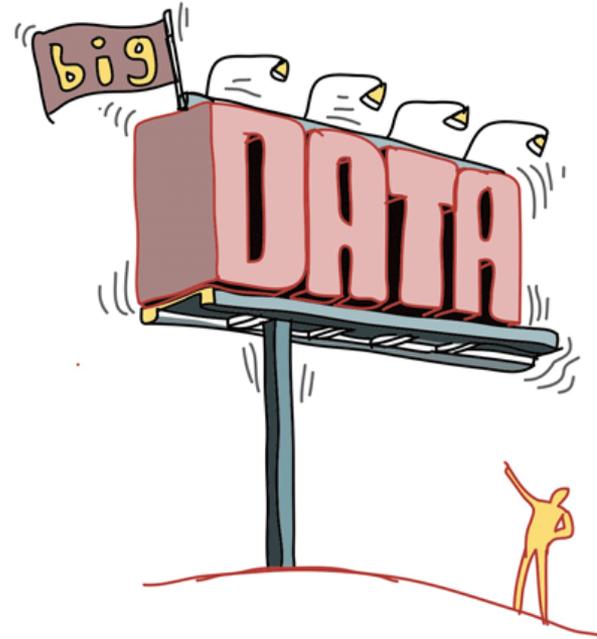
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WHAT IS BIG DATA?

Big Data is

- Talked about everywhere
- Surprisingly amorphous
- Overhyped
- A very real imperative



Poll Question Follow Up: Bridge Deck Inspection

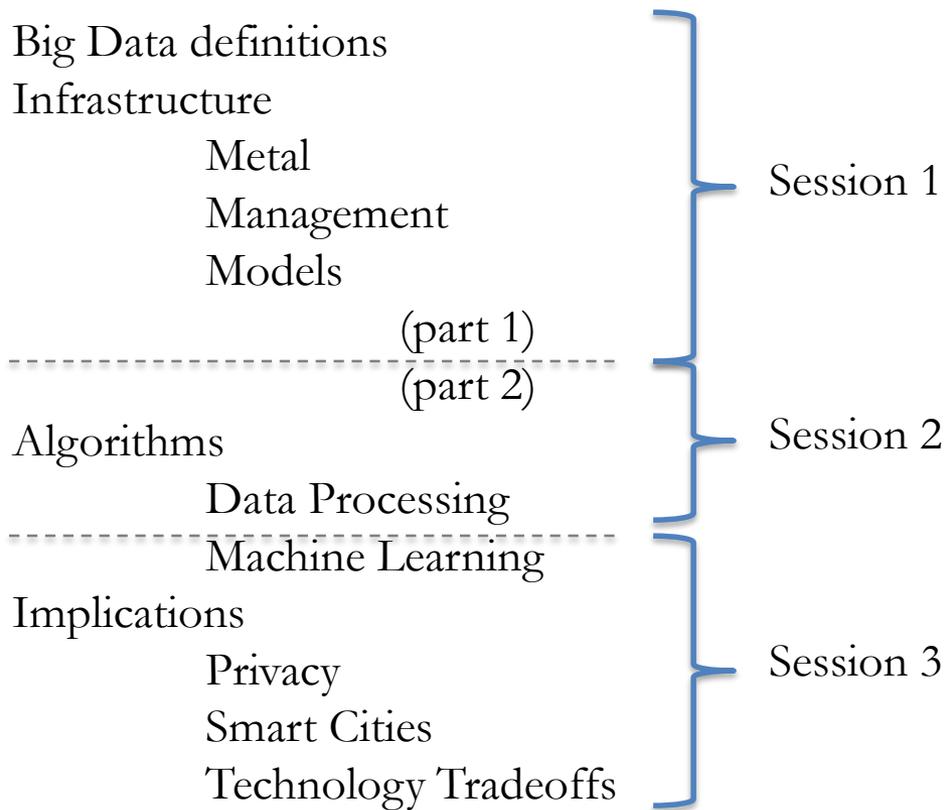


BIG DATA AND TRANSPORTATION

Webinar Goals

- Background Material
 - A Historical Perspective
 - Some Definitions
 - Where Does The Data Come From
- An Approach To Organizing Big Data
 - Infrastructure
 - Algorithms
 - Implications

Webinar Roadmap



Webinar Roadmap

Big Data definitions

Infrastructure

Metal

Management

Models

(part 1)

(part 2)

Session 1

Algorithms

Data Processing

Machine Learning

Implications

Privacy

Smart Cities

Technology Tradeoffs

Background

WHAT IS BIG DATA?

According to the Dictionary

Definition of *big data* in English:

big data

Syllabification: big da·ta

NOUN

Computing

Data sets that are too large and complex to manipulate or interrogate with standard methods or tools:

'much IT investment is going towards managing and maintaining big data'

MORE EXAMPLE SENTENCES

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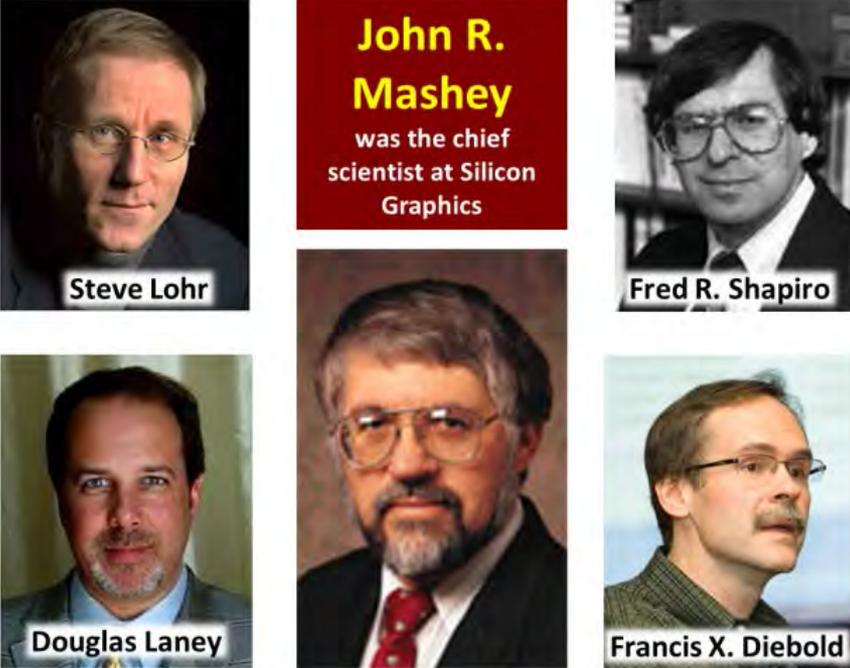
“ Find out more

MORE ON BIG DATA

Nearby words

The Etymology of Big Data



Steve Lohr

John R. Mashey
was the chief scientist at Silicon Graphics

Fred R. Shapiro

Douglas Laney

Francis X. Diebold

He had regularly used the term
“Big Data”
In his talks in mid and late 1990s

Before Big Data There Was Public Policy

U.S. Constitution – Article 1, Section 2, Paragraph 3

Representatives and direct Taxes shall be apportioned among the several States which may be included within this Union, according to their respective Numbers, which shall be determined by adding to the whole Number of free Persons, including those bound to Service for a Term of Years, and excluding Indians not taxed, three fifths of all other Persons. The actual Enumeration shall be made within three Years after the first Meeting

Key Policy: A U.S. Census is Required Every 10 Years

The actual Enumeration shall be made within 3 Years after the first Meeting of the Congress of the United States, and within every subsequent Term of 10 Years, in such Manner as they shall by Law direct.

Before Big Data: The 1880 Census

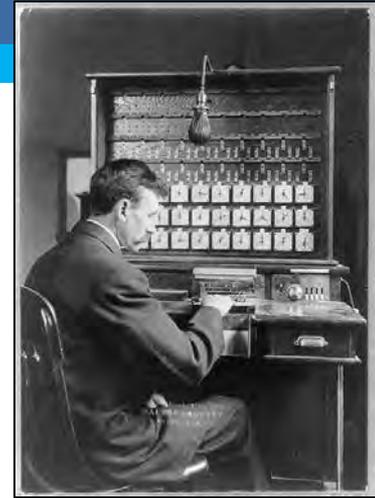
The 1880 Census Took 9 Years To Complete

Year	Census Population
1850	23.191 Million
1860	31.442 Million
1870	38.558 Million
1880	50.198 Million
1890	62.979 Million
1900	76.211 Million



How long would the 1890 Census take?

Tabulator Machines and the 1890 Census



Hermann Hollerith (1860 – 1929)

- Attended Columbia University School of Mines
- Invented a punch card system
 - Based on idea from Dr. John Shaw Billings
- Formed the Tabulating Machine Company
- Won Census Bureau contest
 - Unofficial census count in 2 months!
 - Paid \$750,000 for rent of his machines

1924

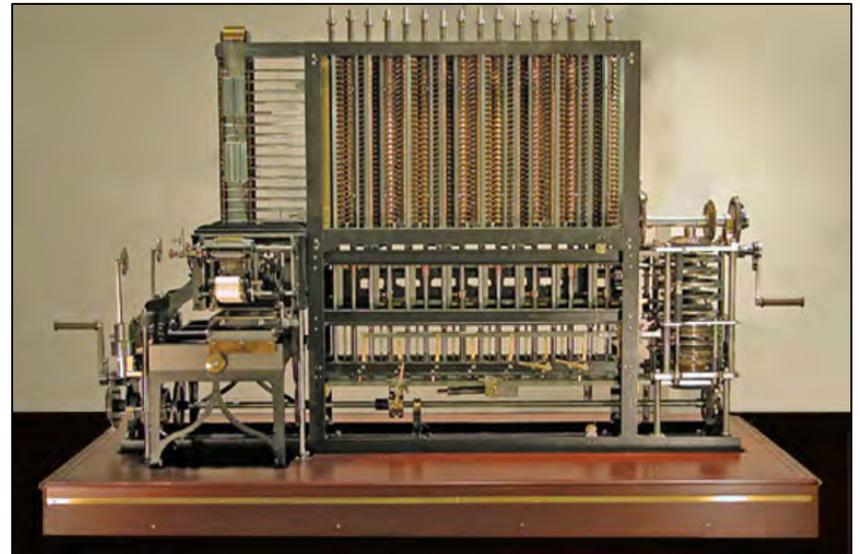
- Tabulating Machine Company evolved into IBM

What is Big Data?

From a Quantitative Perspective

- According to *John Rauser (Pinterest, Amazon)*
 - Data is big data when you can't process it on one machine

The Charles Babbage Difference Engine (designed in 1849)



What is Big Data?

From a Quantitative Perspective

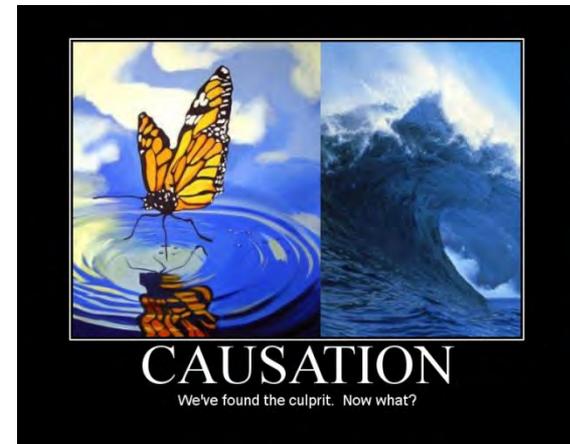
- According to *Mark Whitehorn (TheRegister.co.uk)*
 - Any data that doesn't fit well into tables and that generally responds poorly to manipulation by SQL



What is Big Data?

From an Analysis Perspective

- According to *Cukier (The Economist) & Mayer-Schoenberger (Oxford)*
 - Analytical Shift: $N=\text{Small} \rightarrow N=\text{ALL}$
 - Analytical Shift: Causation \rightarrow Correlation

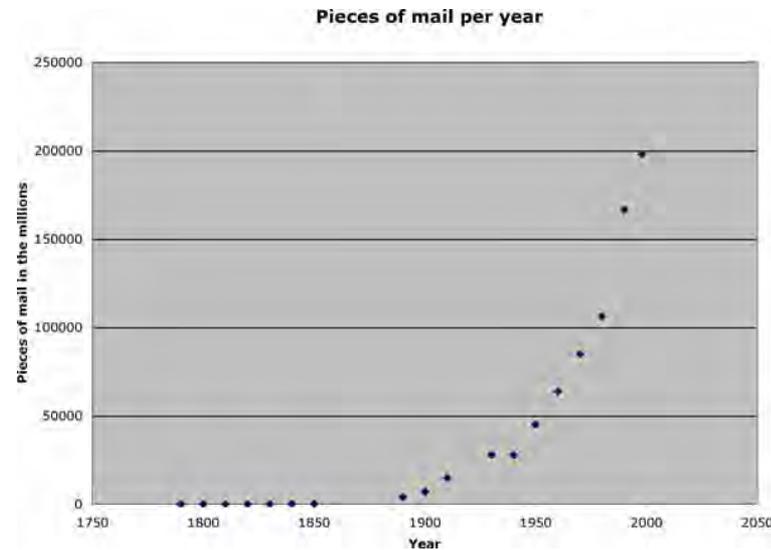


What is Big Data?

From a Data Growth Perspective

- According to the *U.S. Chamber of Congress Foundation*
 - 90% of today's data was created in the last 2 years

Growth of
Postal Mail

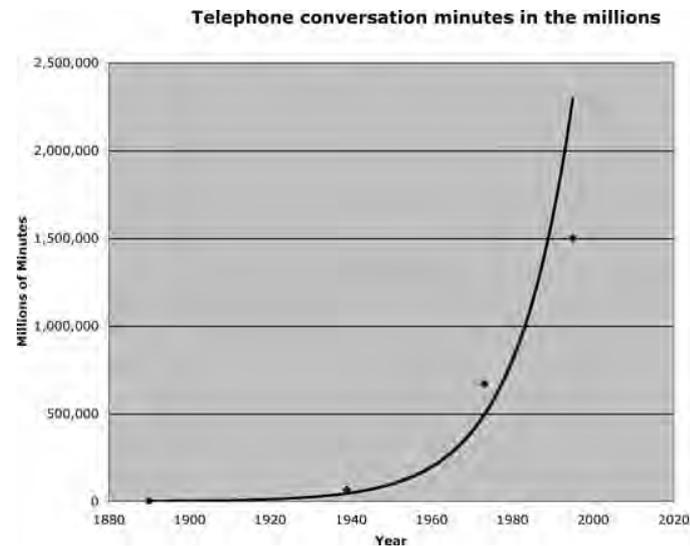


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Growth of
Telephone Minutes

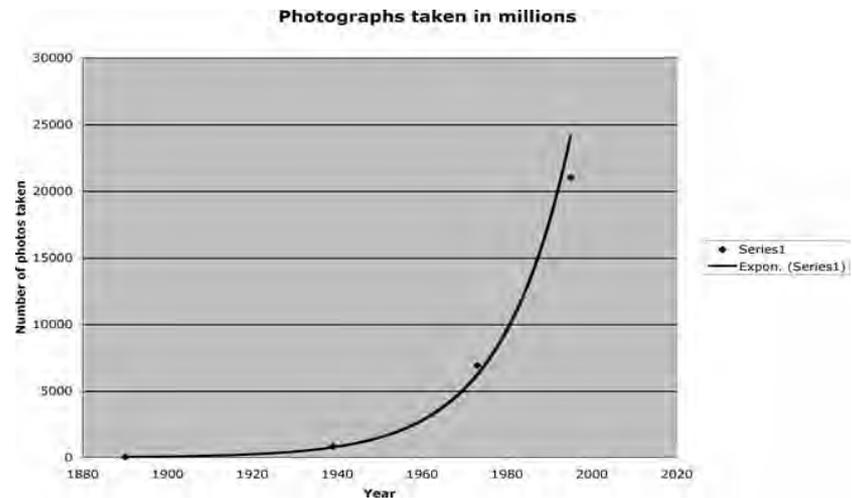


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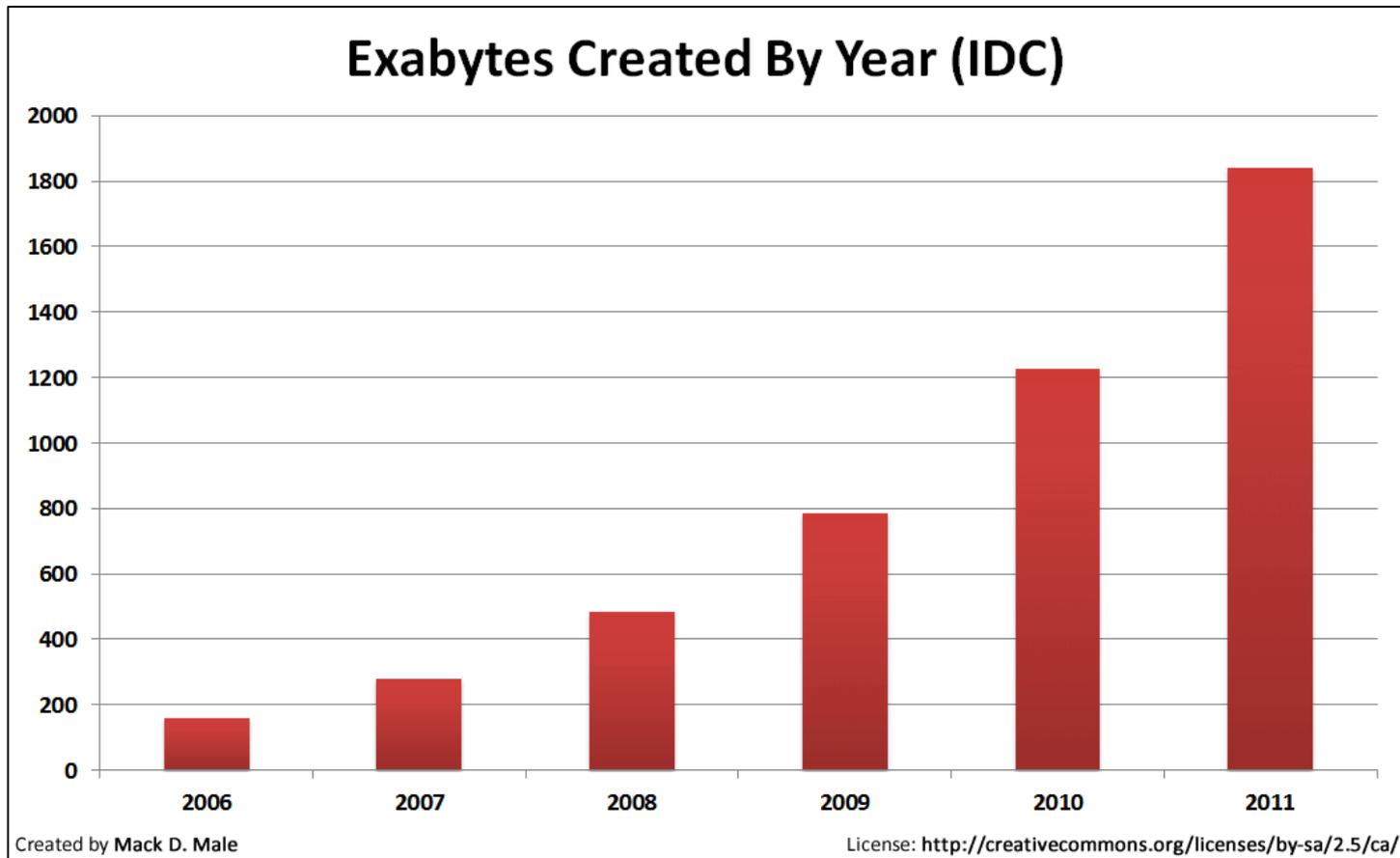
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Growth of
Photos Taken



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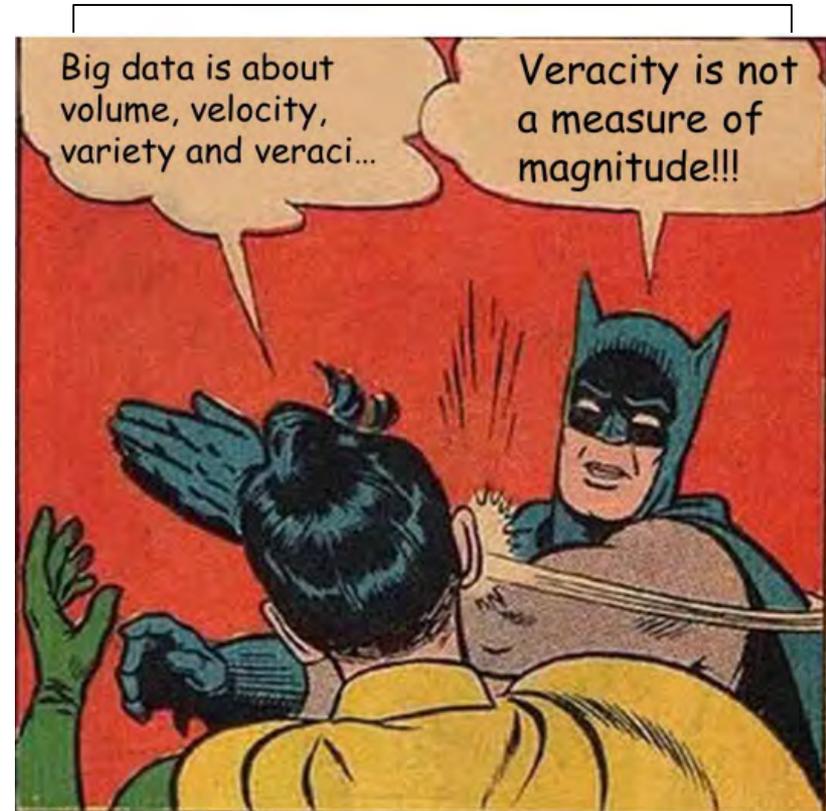
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Three V's Perspective

- Volume
- Variety
- Velocity

Other V's

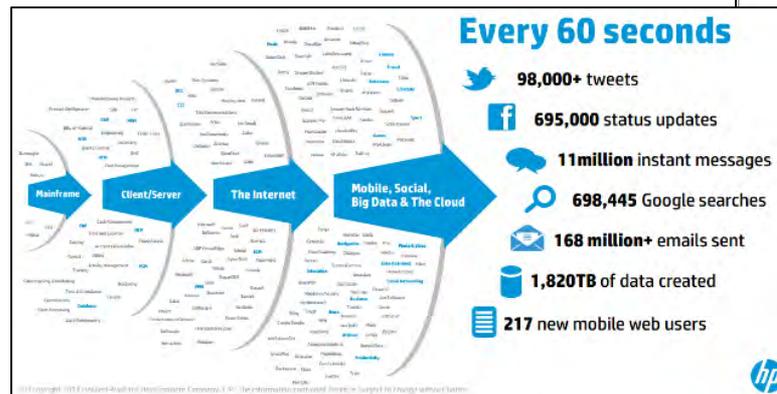
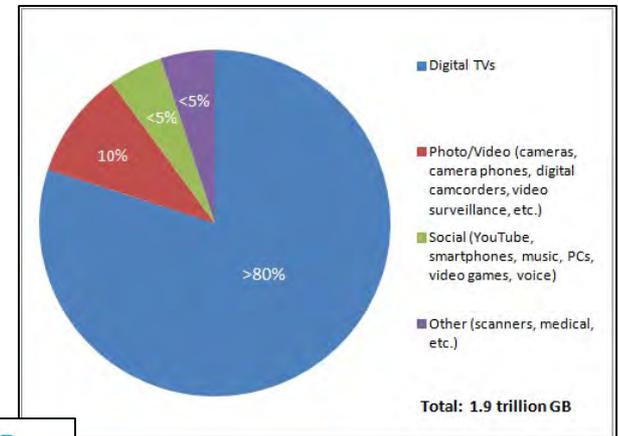
- Veracity
- Value
- Viability



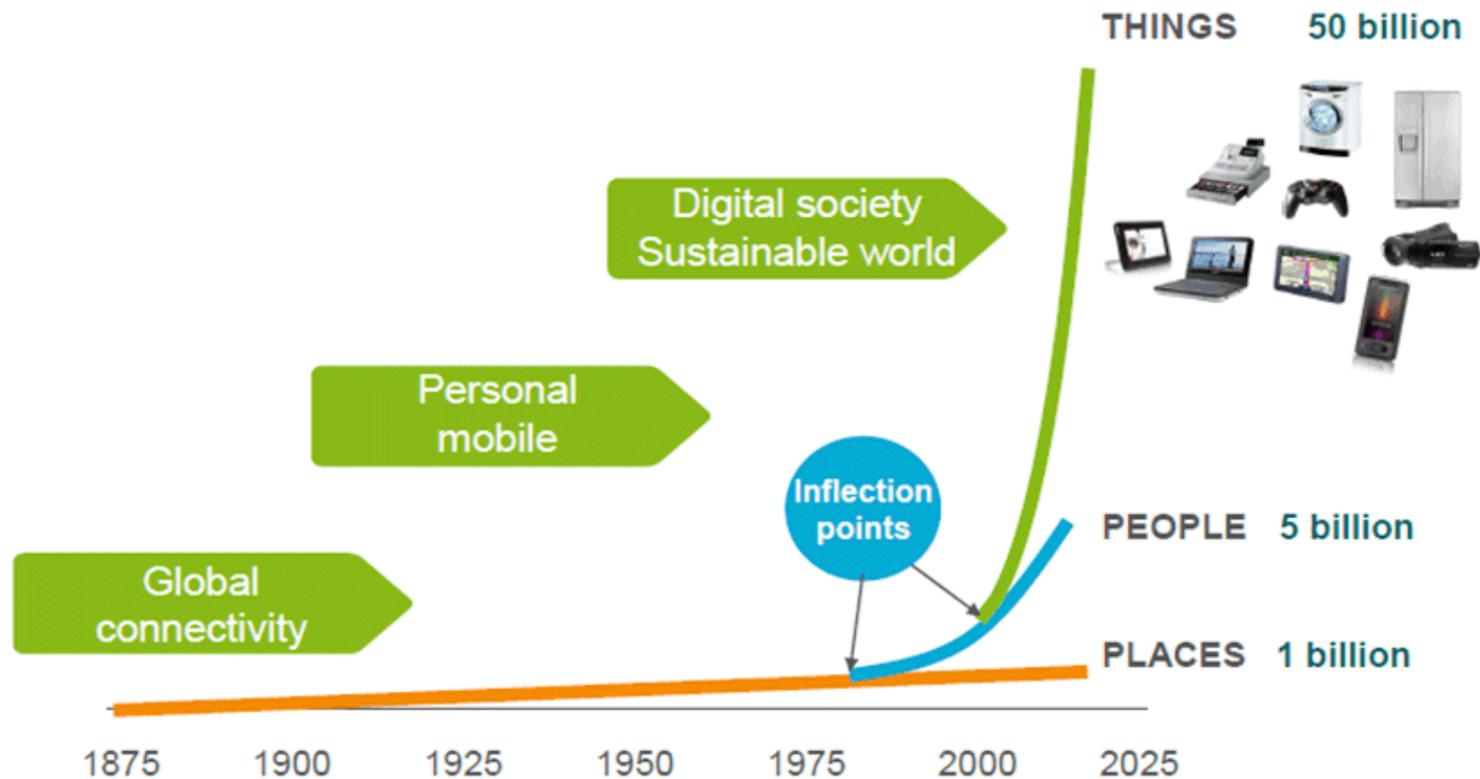
Where Does The Data Come From?

Explicitly From People

- 100 hours of video uploaded to YouTube per minute
- 11 billion person-hours of DVR recording in 2013



People Won't Dominate Data for Long



Source: Ericsson AB, "Infrastructure Innovation - Can the Challenge be met?," Sept 2010

Where Does The Data Come From?

From Planes

- A Boeing jet generates 10 TB of data every 30 minutes
- A single NY → LA flight (6 hours)
 - 240 Terabytes of data
- There are 28,537 commercial flights in the US everyday
- About 6 Exabytes per day!!!



Where Does The Data Come From?

From Fast Cars

- A Formula 1 car has 200 sensors (compared to 20 sensors for a mid-level sedan)
- 30 TB of telemetry data per race



Where Does The Data Come From?

From (not so) Fast Cars

- Google's autonomous car generates 1 GB of data per second; close to an exabyte of data per year per car
 - Most of this is useless data...*currently*



Libelium Smart World

Air Pollution

Control of CO₂ emissions of factories, pollution emitted by cars and toxic gases generated in farms.

Forest Fire Detection

Monitoring of combustion gases and preemptive fire conditions to define alert zones.

Wine Quality Enhancing

Monitoring soil moisture and trunk diameter in vineyards to control the amount of sugar in grapes and grapevine health.

Offspring Care

Control of growing conditions of the offspring in animal farms to ensure its survival and health.

Sportsmen Care

Vital signs monitoring in high performance centers and fields.

Structural Health

Monitoring of vibrations and material conditions in buildings, bridges and historical monuments.

Quality of Shipment Conditions

Monitoring of vibrations, strokes, container openings or cold chain maintenance for insurance purposes.

Smartphones Detection

Detect iPhone and Android devices and in general any device which works with Wifi or Bluetooth interfaces.

Perimeter Access Control

Access control to restricted areas and detection of people in non-authorized areas.

Radiation Levels

Distributed measurement of radiation levels in nuclear power stations surroundings to generate leakage alerts.

Electromagnetic Levels

Measurement of the energy radiated by cell stations and and WiFi routers.

Traffic Congestion

Monitoring of vehicles, and pedestrian affluence to optimize driving and walking routes.

Smart Roads

Warning messages and diversions according to climate conditions and unexpected events like accidents or traffic jams.

Smart Lighting

Intelligent and weather adaptive lighting in street lights.

Intelligent Shopping

Getting advices in the point of sale according to customer habits, preferences, presence of allergic components for them or expiring dates.

Noise Urban Maps

Sound monitoring in bar areas and centric zones in real time.

Water Leakages

Detection of liquid presence outside tanks and pressure variations along pipes.

Vehicle Auto-diagnosis

Information collection from CanBus to send real time alarms to emergencies or provide advice to drivers.

Item Location

Search of individual items in big surfaces like warehouses or harbours.

Waste Management

Detection of rubbish levels in containers to optimize the trash collection routes.

Smart Parking

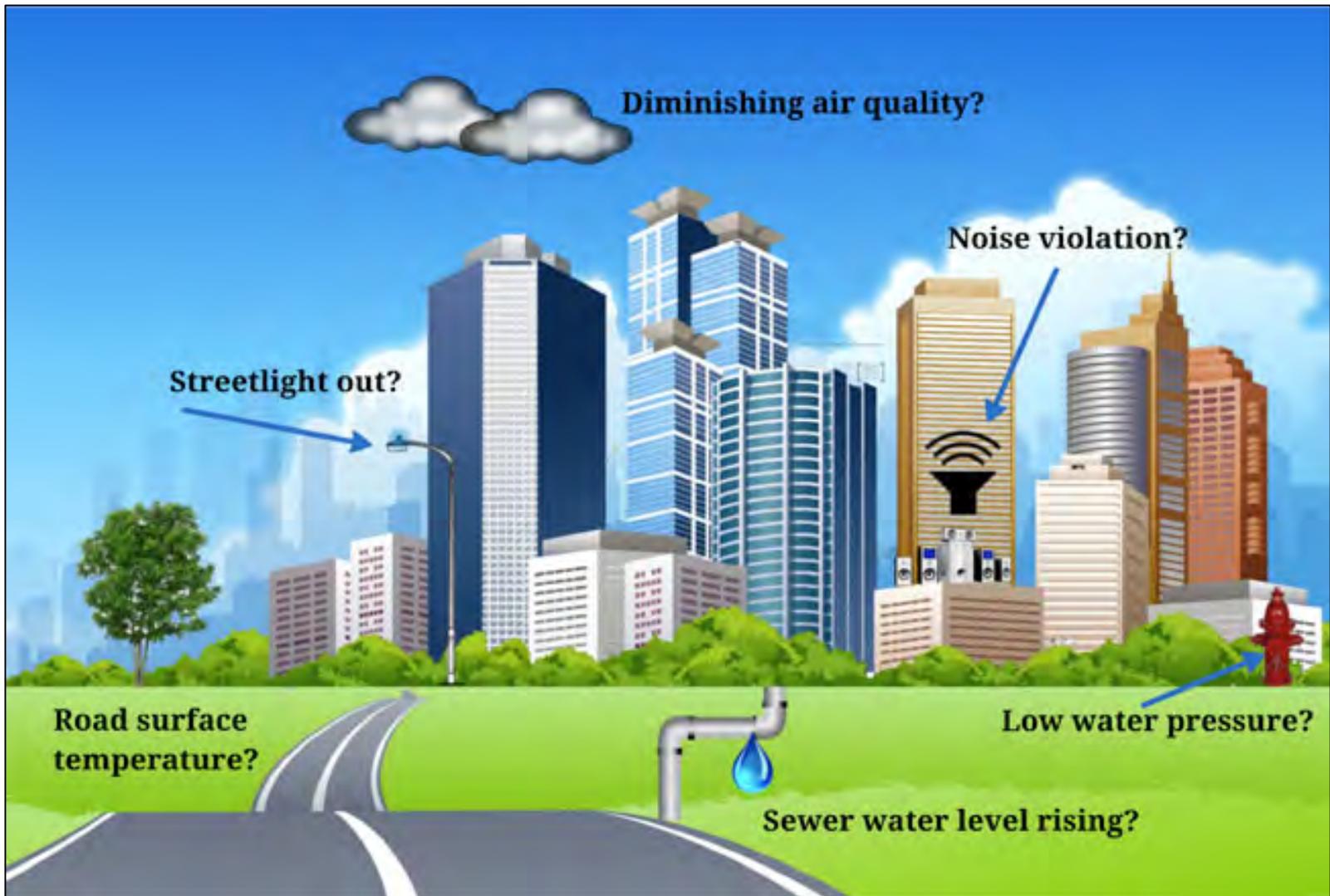
Monitoring of parking spaces availability in the city.

Golf Courses

Selective irrigation in dry zones to reduce the water resources required in the green.

Water Quality

Study of water suitability in rivers and the sea for fauna and eligibility for drinkable use.



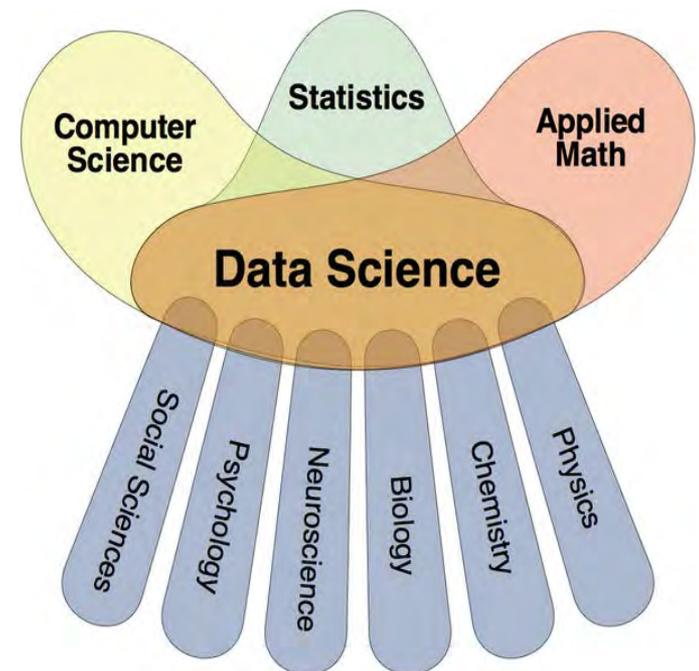
Data Science Skills

“...the skills of a "data scientist" are those of a modern statistician.”

- Cosma Shalizi
CMU Statistics Professor

From Cathy O’Neil:

- When hiring a data scientist, look for
 - Data grappling skills
 - Data visualization experience
 - Knowledge of stats
 - Experience with forecasting and prediction
 - Great communication skill



Big Data Success Stories

Retailers – Kroger, Target

- What: Personalized direct marketing
- Data: Loyalty card info, wifi location data
 - Some collected, some bought (e.g., Acxiom)



- 11 million direct mail flyers per quarter
 - Each flyer contains 12 personalized coupons

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Notional example

- Female shopper, 23 years old
- Bought cocoa-butter lotion, big purse, blue rug
- 87% chance she is pregnant

Big Data Success Stories

Healthcare – Google Flu

- What: Predicted flu outbreaks
- Data: User queries
- Google prediction: 11% with influenza



Hype?

- Actual results: 6% with influenza



What is Big Data?

From a Technology Perspective

- *First, it is a bundle of **technologies**. Second, it is a potential **revolution in measurement**. And third, it is a **point of view**, or philosophy, about how **decisions** will be—and perhaps should be—made in the future.*

— Steve Lohr, *The New York Times*

Organizing Big Data

- Infrastructure
 - Big Data is a technology-based revolution; technology enables the generation and processing of data
- Algorithms
 - Big Data is a revolution in measurement; new algorithms efficiently extend measurement capabilities
- Implications
 - Big Data is a new approach to decision-making; the determination and execution of these decision have profound consequences

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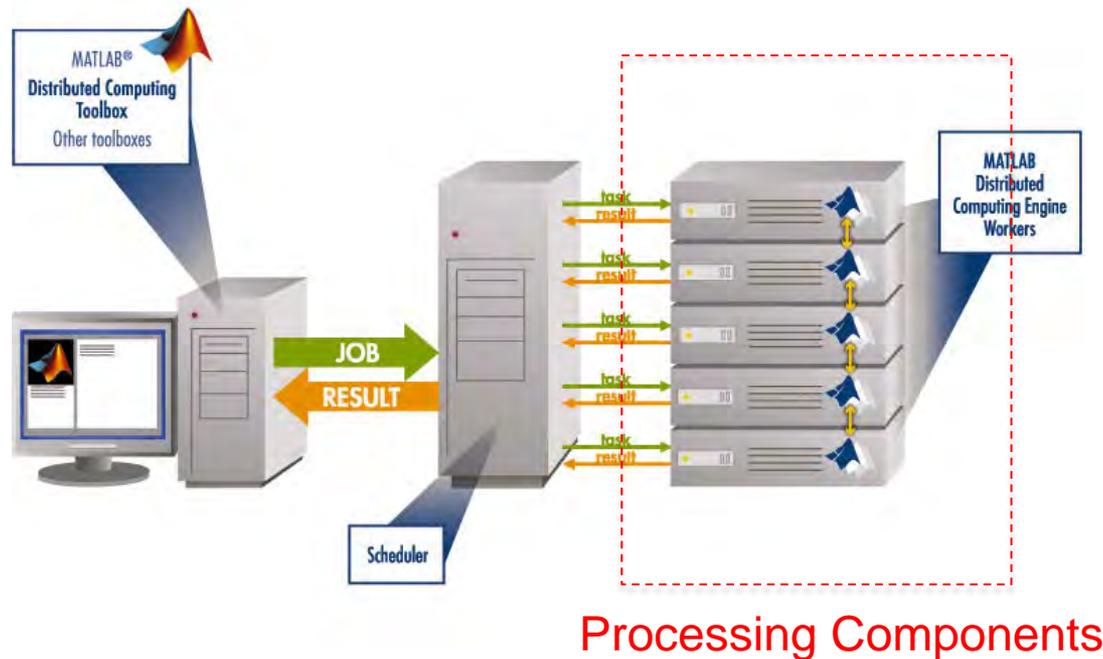
Technology Tradeoffs

Big Data Infrastructure

OVERVIEW

Big Data Technology Before Big Data

Parallel Processing



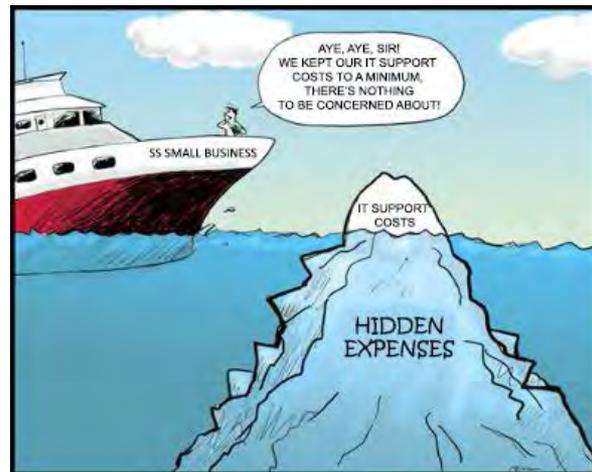
Big Data Technology Before Big Data

Technology Problems

- Expensive
- Slow
- Not Incrementally Adoptable (All or Nothing)

“Yes, Wall Street has been doing this but now the rest of the world is catching up.”

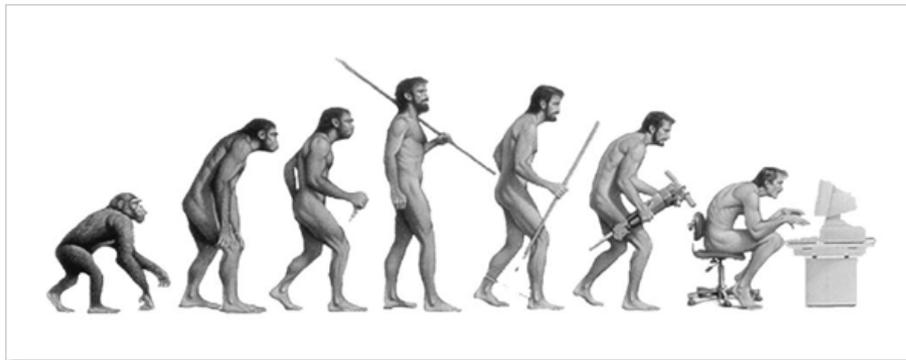
- Ivy Schmerken
(Editor at Large, Wallstreetandtech.com)



Technology Evolution

Key Factors Making Technology More Accessible

- Decreased Hardware Costs
- Decreased Software Costs
- Inexpensive Large-Scale Storage Options
- Inexpensive Parallel Processing Options

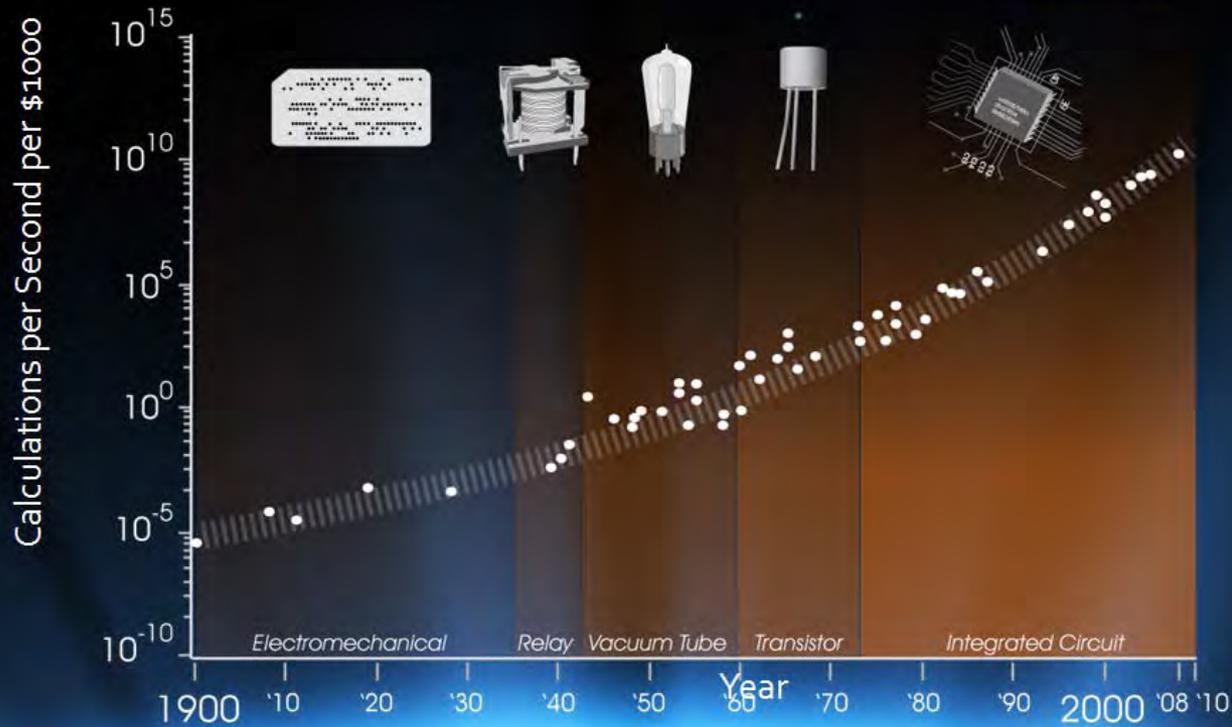


Moore's Law is only one example

Exponential Growth of Computing for 110 Years

Moore's Law was the fifth, not the first, paradigm to bring exponential growth in computing

Logarithmic Plot



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Open Source Software

Open Source Software

- Computer source code made available with a license in which the copyright holder provides the rights to study, change and distribute the software...
 - With lots of fine print
- Richard Stallman – Founder of Gnu

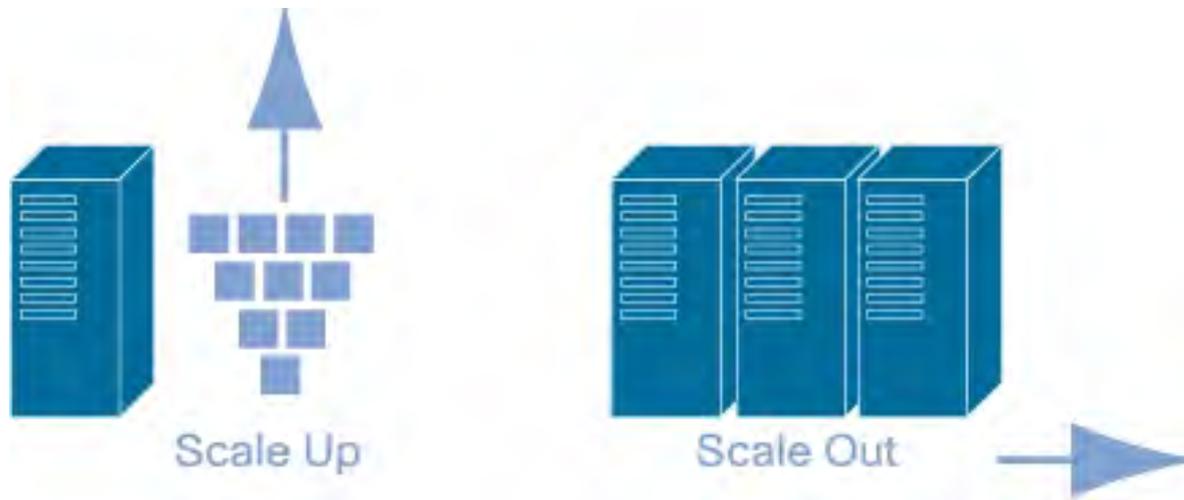
Open Source

- Advantages
 - Crowd-sourced reliability
 - Cheaper adoption costs
- Disadvantages
 - Lack of reliability
 - Expensive adoption costs



Inexpensive Large-Scale Infrastructure

Handling Large-Scale Data



Few Very Large Servers vs Many Smaller (commodity) Servers

Big Data: Infrastructure - Challenges

Metal: Computing Resources

- Processing, Storage, Memory, Networking

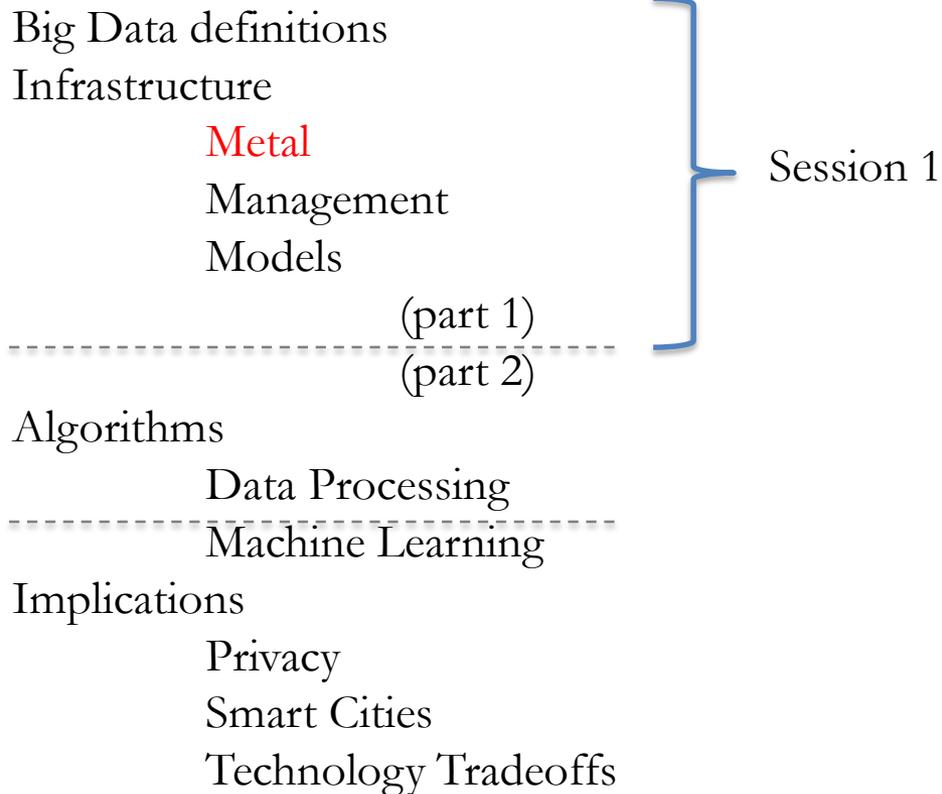
Management: Resource Provisioning

- Virtualization, Orchestration

Models: Storage, Parallel Processing

- Databases
 - Consistency, Availability, Partitioning
- Distributed File Systems
 - Data locality
- Complex Applications
 - Batch, interactive, streaming

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Big Data Infrastructure

METAL: COMPUTING RESOURCES

Computer Basics

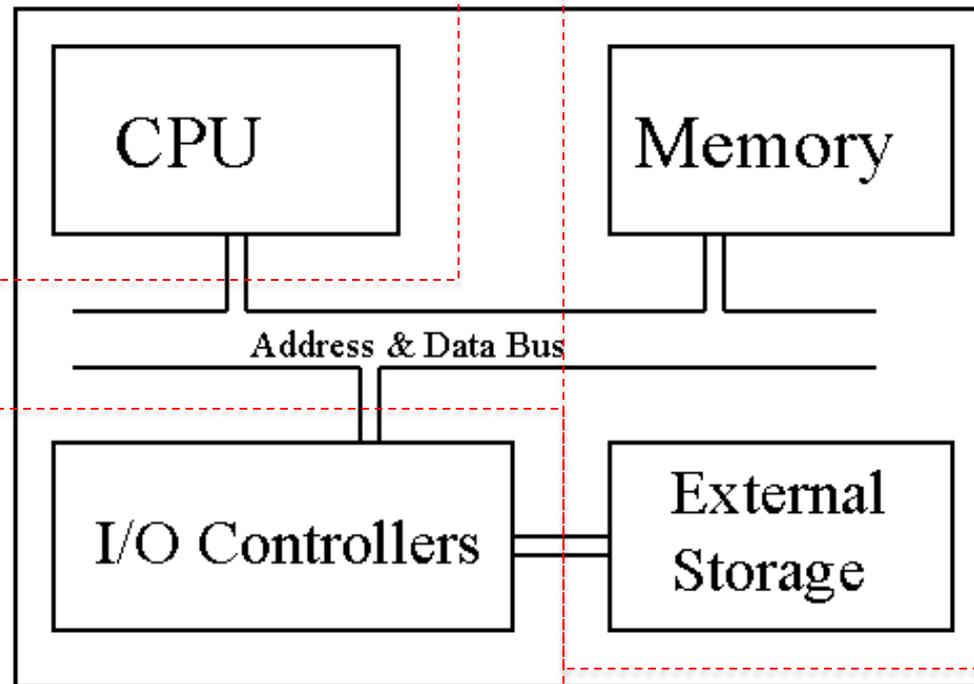
Basic Digital Computer Architecture

Central Processing Unit

- Given instructions for processing data (software)

Data To Be Processed

- Intermediate Data
- Persistent Data

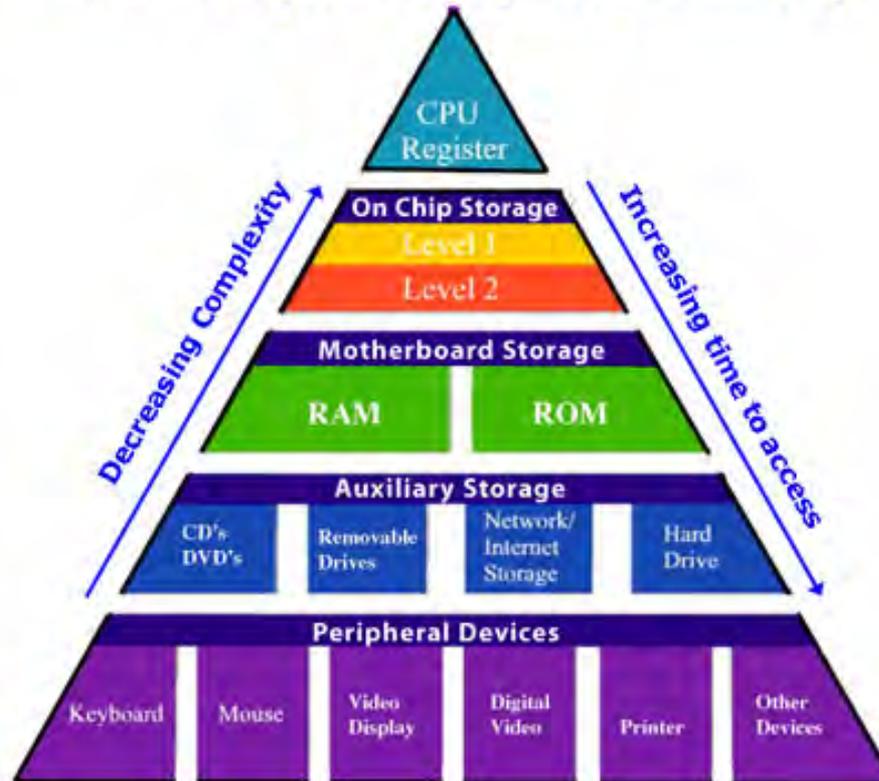


Input/Output

- Keyboard, Mouse, Video, ...
- Network Access

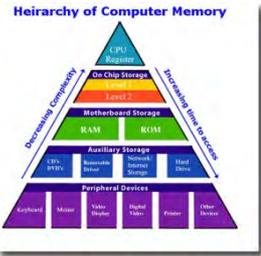
Computer Basics

Heirarchy of Computer Memory

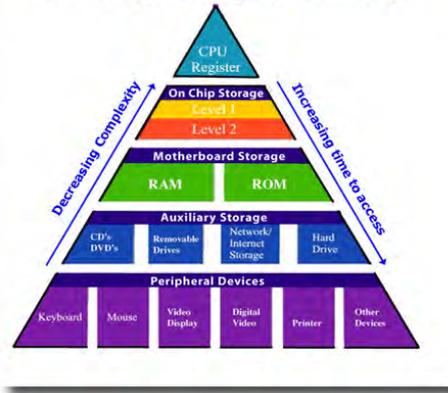


Computer Basics: More Resources

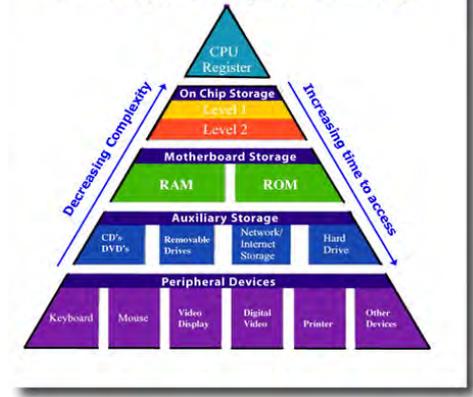
The power of the cloud



Heirarchy of Computer Memory



Heirarchy of Computer Memory



Desktop/Laptop
 RAM: 8GB
 HD: 500GB
 Cores: 4
 GPU: Intel HD Graphics 4000 512 MB

Server [\$10Ks]
 RAM: 384GB
 HD: 7.3TB
 Cores: 16

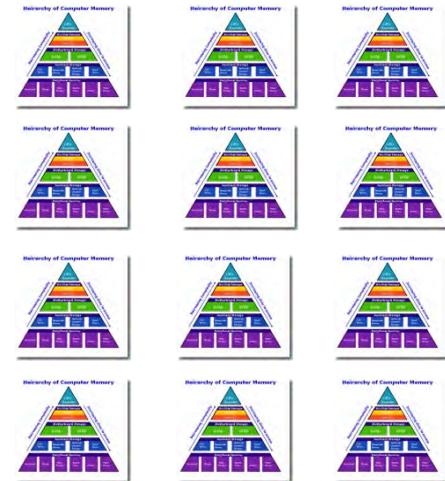
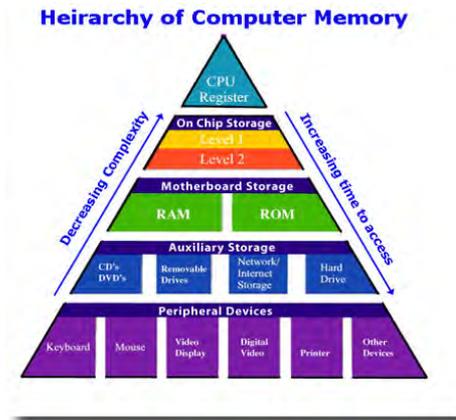
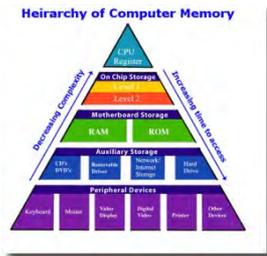


Server [\$0.50-\$3.50] / hr
 RAM: 244 GB
 HD: 240GB (SSD)
 Cores: 32

Computer Basics: More Resources



The power of the Big Data



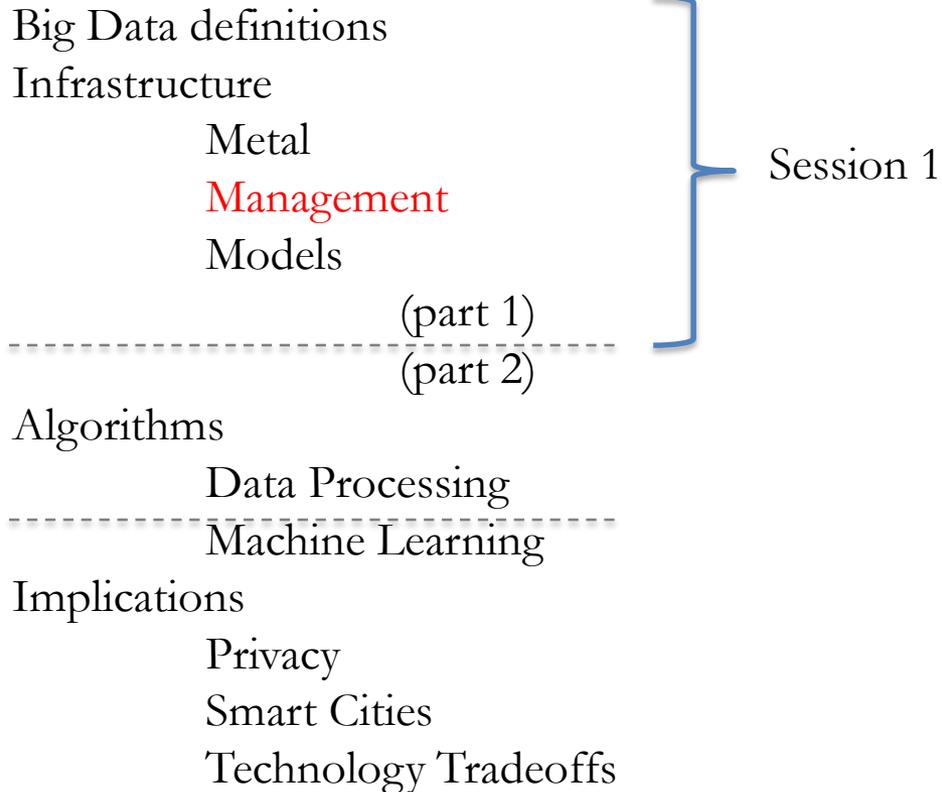
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Cluster/Cloud
 RAM: ∞ ?
 HD: ∞ ?
 Cores: ∞ ?

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Big Data Infrastructure

MANAGEMENT: RESOURCE PROVISIONING

Cloud Computing

NIST Definition

- a model for enabling ubiquitous, convenient, on-demand network access to a shared pool of configurable computing resources (e.g., networks, servers, storage, applications, and services) that can be rapidly provisioned and released with minimal management effort or service provider interaction. This cloud model is composed of **five essential characteristics**, **three service models**, and **four deployment models**.

Characteristics	Service Models	Deployment Models
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>On-demand self-service</i>• <i>Broad network access</i>• <i>Resource pooling</i>• <i>Rapid elasticity</i>• <i>Measured service</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Software as a Service (SaaS)</i>• <i>Platform as a Service (PaaS)</i>• <i>Infrastructure as a Service (IaaS)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Private cloud</i>• <i>Community cloud</i>• <i>Public cloud</i>• <i>Hybrid cloud</i>

Virtualization

1 Physical Machine -> N Virtual Machines

Creating a machine = creating a file

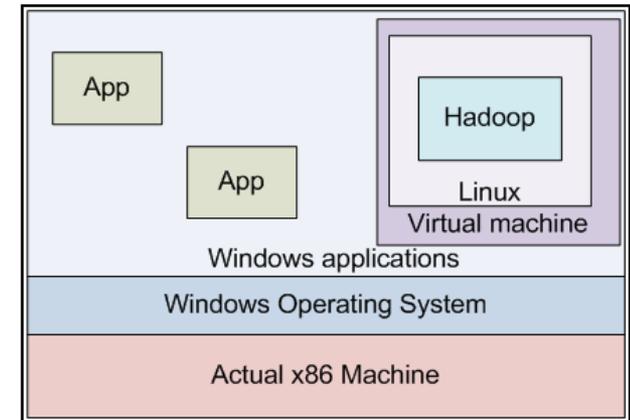
Turn on a machine / freeze an image = click a button

When you spin up an EC2 instance on AWS – that's also a VM

- When you spin up 100 EC2 instances on AWS...those are also VMs

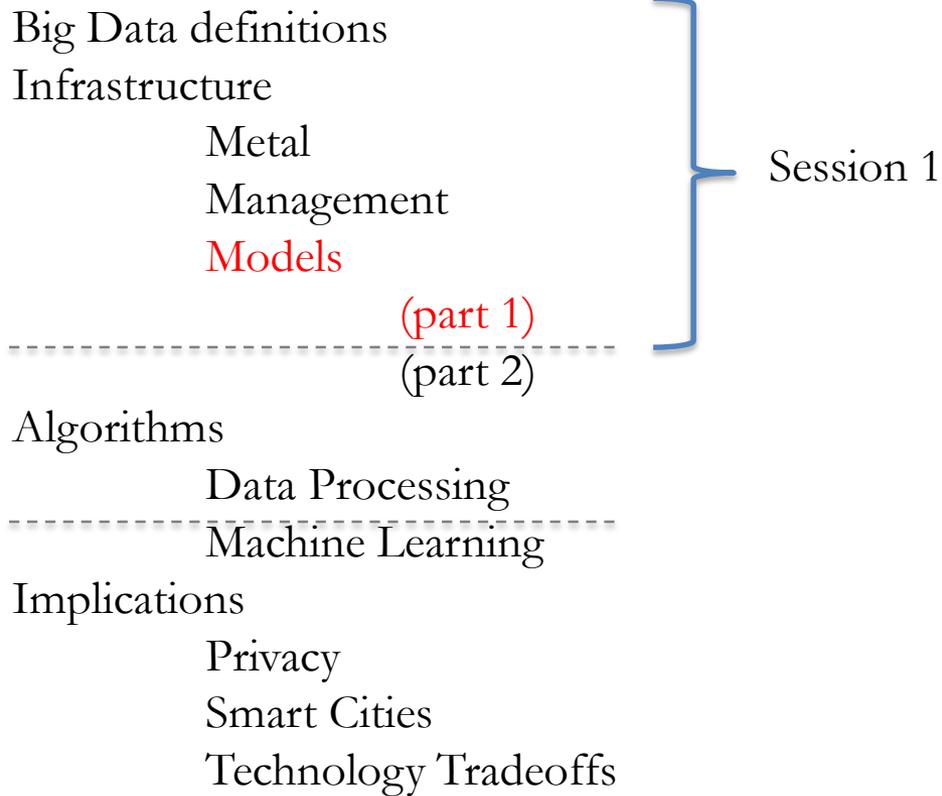
Definitions (Gartner)

- **Virtualization** is the abstraction of IT resources that masks the physical nature and boundaries of those resources from resource users. An IT resource can be a server, a client, storage, networks, applications or OSs. Essentially, any IT building block can potentially be abstracted from resource users.



Is virtualization the most efficient way to manage resources for big data?

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Big Data Infrastructure: Hadoop

Hadoop is

- A data processing programming model
- A resource management framework
- A distributed file system

Hadoop is

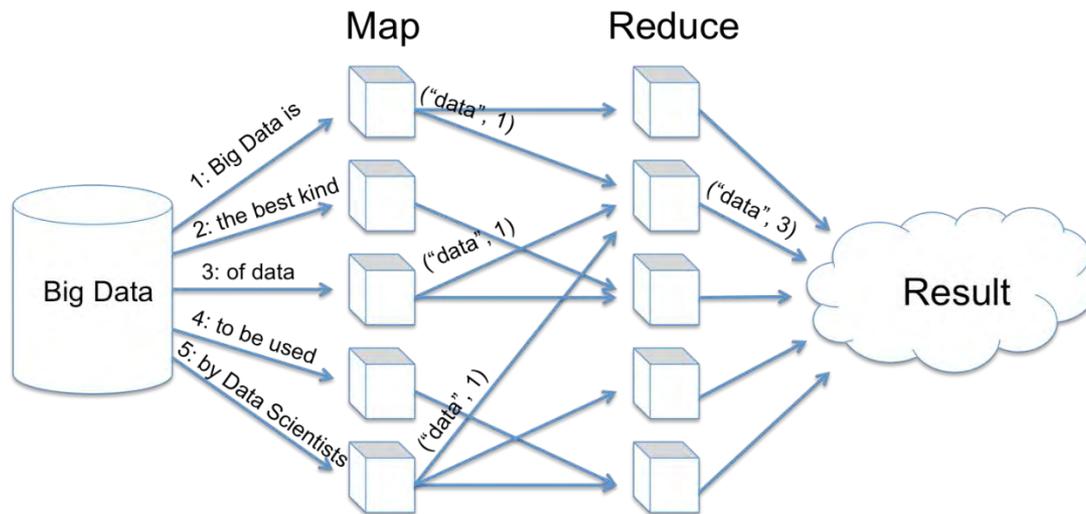
- A popular, open source parallel processing framework
- An implementation of the MapReduce algorithm

It

Data Processing Model and Resource Management

MapReduce* is

- A programming model for parallel data processing
- A cluster resource management framework

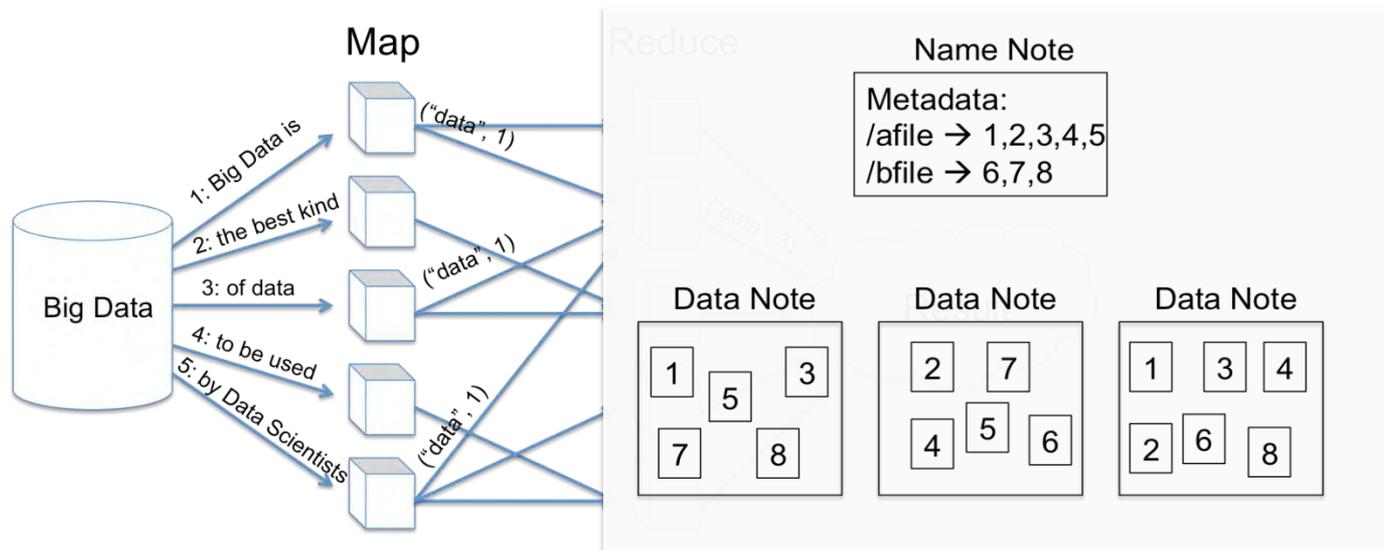


* Hadoop 1.0

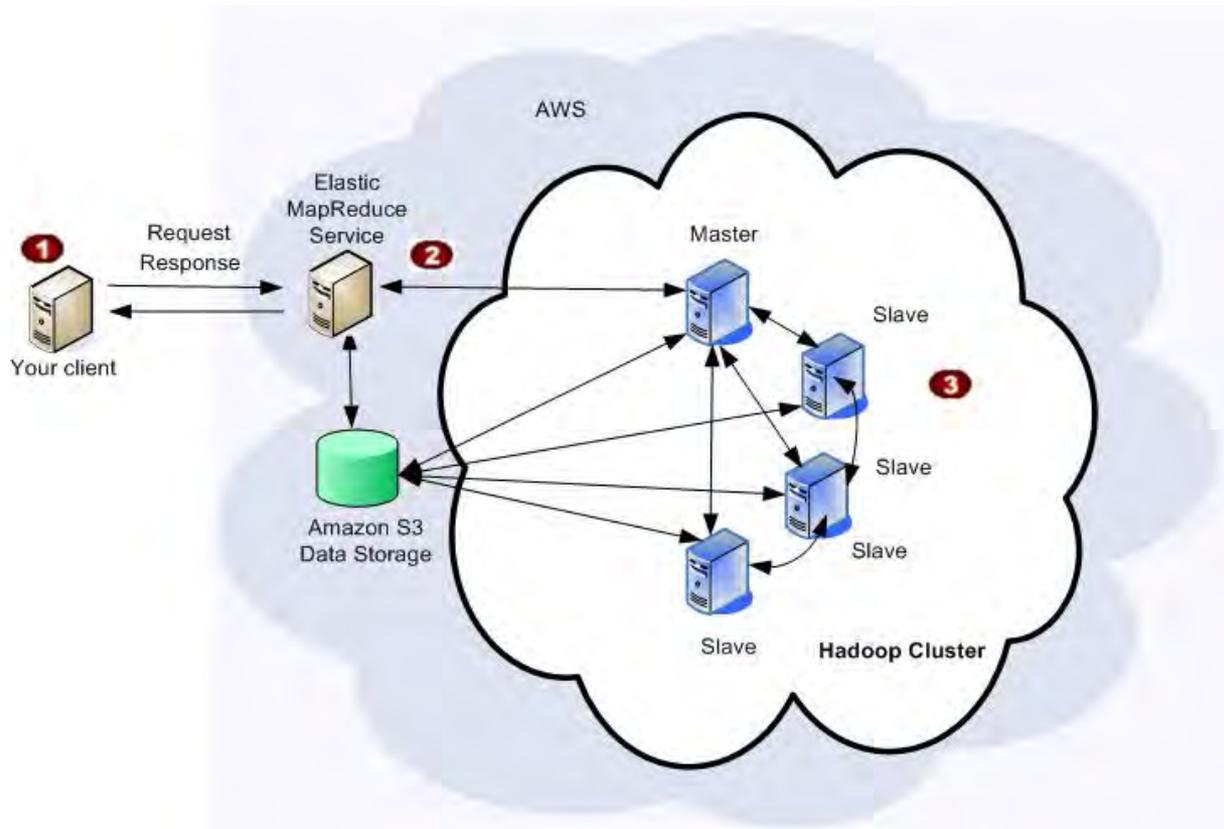
Distributed File System

HDFS is

- A redundant, reliable storage framework
- HBase is a key-value store built on HDFS



Amazon EMR Cluster – In the Cloud



As little as \$0.15 / hr for a 10 node cluster

Summary

Big Data...

- Is driven by technology
- Can be organized by
 - Infrastructure
 - Algorithms
 - Implications
- Infrastructure leverages parallel processing on cluster computing systems

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