

# Using R for Scalable Data Analytics: Single Machines to Spark Clusters

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**TUTORIAL MATERIAL & SLIDES:**

**[tinyurl.com/Strata2017R](http://tinyurl.com/Strata2017R)**

**ROOM:** LL21 C/D, San Jose Convention Center

**TIME:** 9:00am - 12:30pm, March 14th, 2017

# Key learning objectives

- How to scale R code with **distributed, parallel, and off-memory processing**
- How to develop **scalable E2E R data-science process**
- How to **easily operationalize** code and models written in R
- How to **use cloud infrastructure** (single node or clusters) to develop, scale, operationalize

# Tutorial Outline

- Introduction & Orientation [15 mins]
- Scaling R on Spark: Hands-on tutorials w/ presentation [150 mins]
  - **SparkR & sparklyr** [75 mins]
  - **RevoScaleR** [75 mins]
- Approaches not covered in hands-on [15 mins]
- Wrap-up, summary Q&A [15 mins]

15 min break after ~ 1 ½ hrs

# Introduction - Scaling your R scripts



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# Introduction

- What is R?
- What limits the scalability of R scripts?
- What functions and techniques can be used to overcome those limits?

# What is



## Language Platform

- The most popular statistical programming language
- A data visualization tool
- Open source

## Community

- 2.5+M users
- Taught in most universities
- Many common use cases across industry
- Thriving user groups worldwide
  - 5<sup>th</sup> in 2016 IEEE Spectrum rank
  - 42% pro analysts prefer R (highest amongst R, SAS, python)

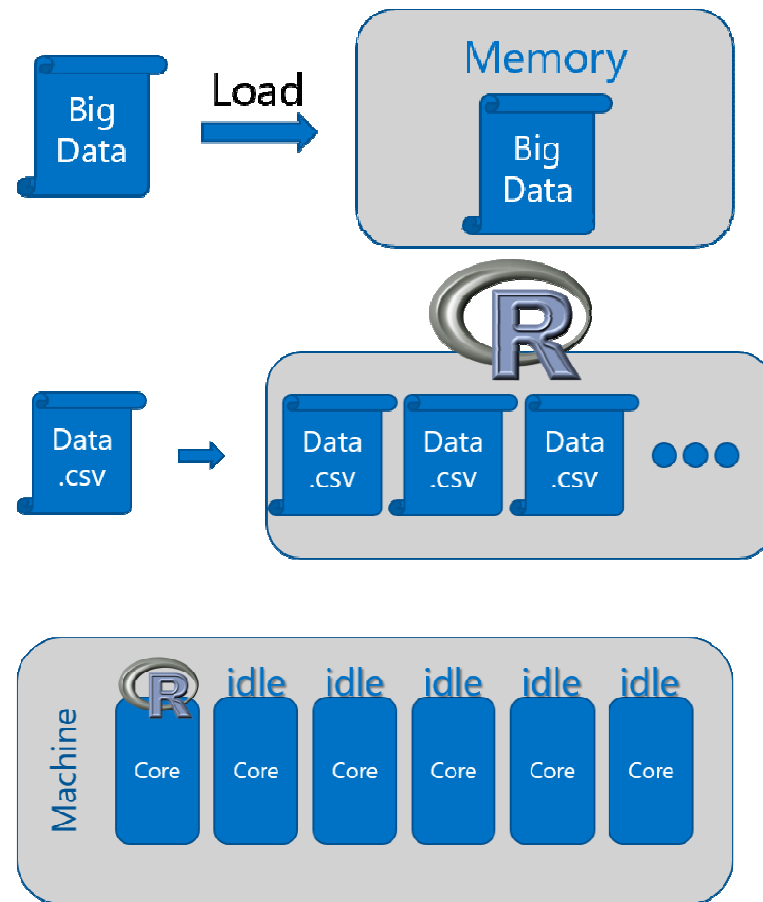
## Ecosystem

- 10,000+ contributed packages
- Rich application & platform integration

# R adoption is on a Tear

But there are several issues regarding scalability

- In-Memory Operation
- Expensive Data Movement & Duplication
- Lack of Parallelism



# Couple of scalable R solutions

- R packages for distributed computing [[Hands-on](#)]
  - **SparkR**
  - **sparklyr**
  - **RevoScaleR** (Microsoft R Server)
  - **h2o**
  - and more!
- R packages with big data support on single machines
  - The **bigmemory** project
  - **ff** and related packages
  - **foreach** with **doParallel**, **doSNOW**, **doNWS** backends



# Hands-on Tutorials w/ Presentations

## Part I: SparkR and sparklyr [75 mins]



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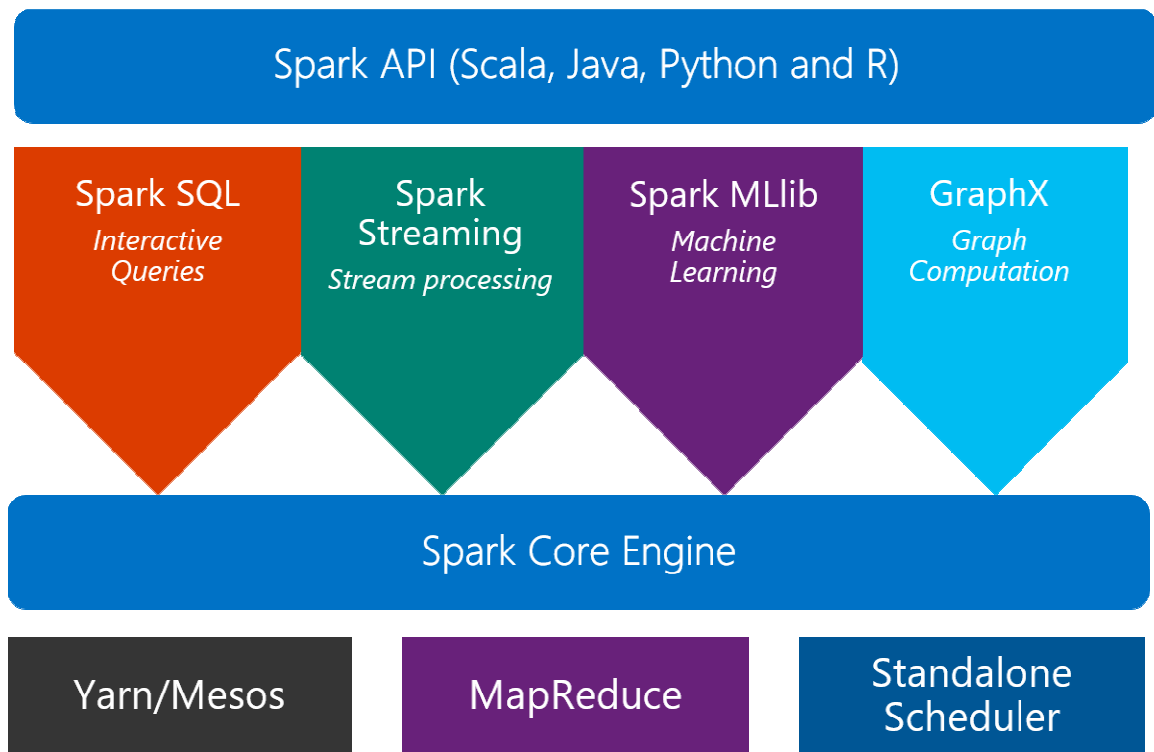
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# Distributed computing on Spark

Brief intro to Spark, its APIs and OS R packages

# Scale on Spark clusters

- What is Spark?
  - An unified, open source, parallel, data processing framework for Big Data Analytics



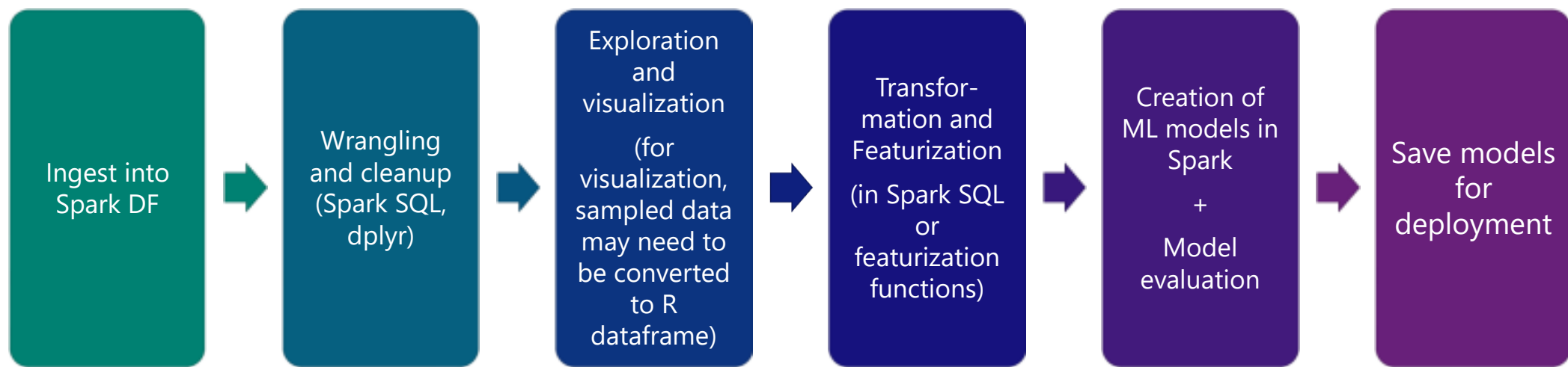
# SparkR 2.0: a Spark API

- An R package provides a light-weight frontend to use Apache Spark from R and allows data scientists to analyze large datasets.
- **SparkDataFrame** is distributed collection of data organized into named columns.
- **SparkR** can create `SparkDataFrames` from local R data frames, csv, json and parquet files.
- With **Hive support**, it can also access tables from Hive MetaStore.
- Pre-configured on Spark clusters in Azure HDInsight.

# Data processing and modeling with SparkR

- Supports functions for structured data processing:
  - Selections: select(), filter()
  - Grouping, Aggregations: summarize(), arrange()
  - Running local R functions distributed: spark.lapply()
  - Applying UDFs on each partition/group of a SparkDataFrame: dapply(), dapplyCollect(), gapply(), gapplyCollect()
- Uses **MLlib** to train models and allows model persistence.
  - Generalized Linear Model
  - Survival regression
  - Naive Bayes
  - KMeans
  - Logistic Regression
  - Gradient Boosted Tree
  - Random Forest
  - ... others

# General analytical workflow in Spark (across multiple toolkits)



Spark dataframes used multiple times in the workflow should be cached in memory

# Platforms & Services for Hands-on

# Single node Azure Linux DSVM w/ Spark (for Hands-On)

## Data-science virtual machine



Vowpal Wabbit

xgboost Rattle



CNTK



#!/bin/bash

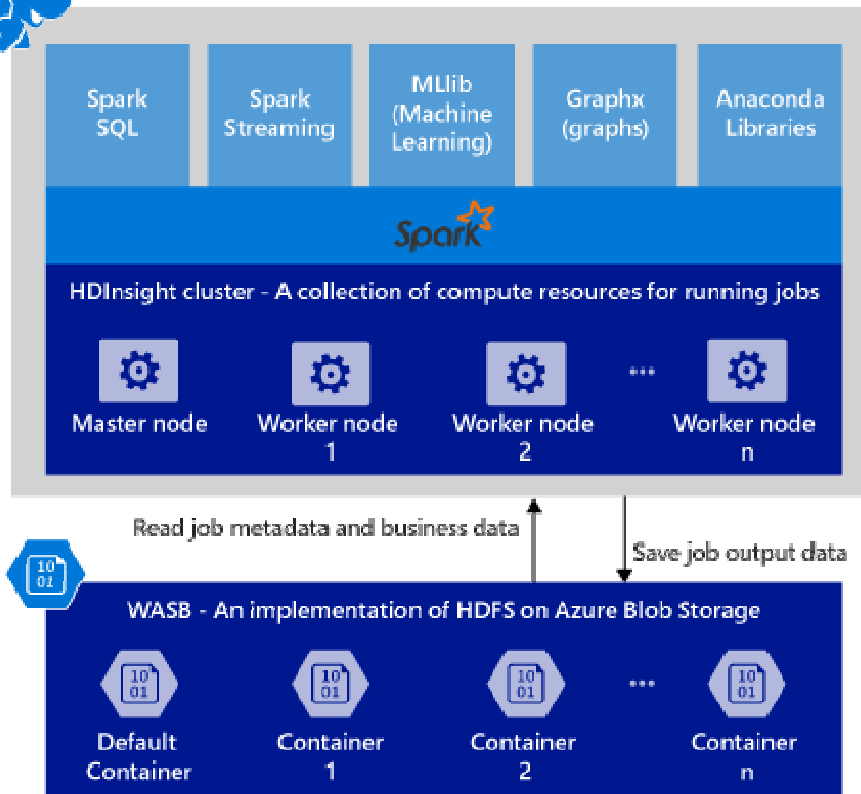


- Spark 2.0.2
- HDFS (local)
- Yarn

<http://aka.ms/dsvm>

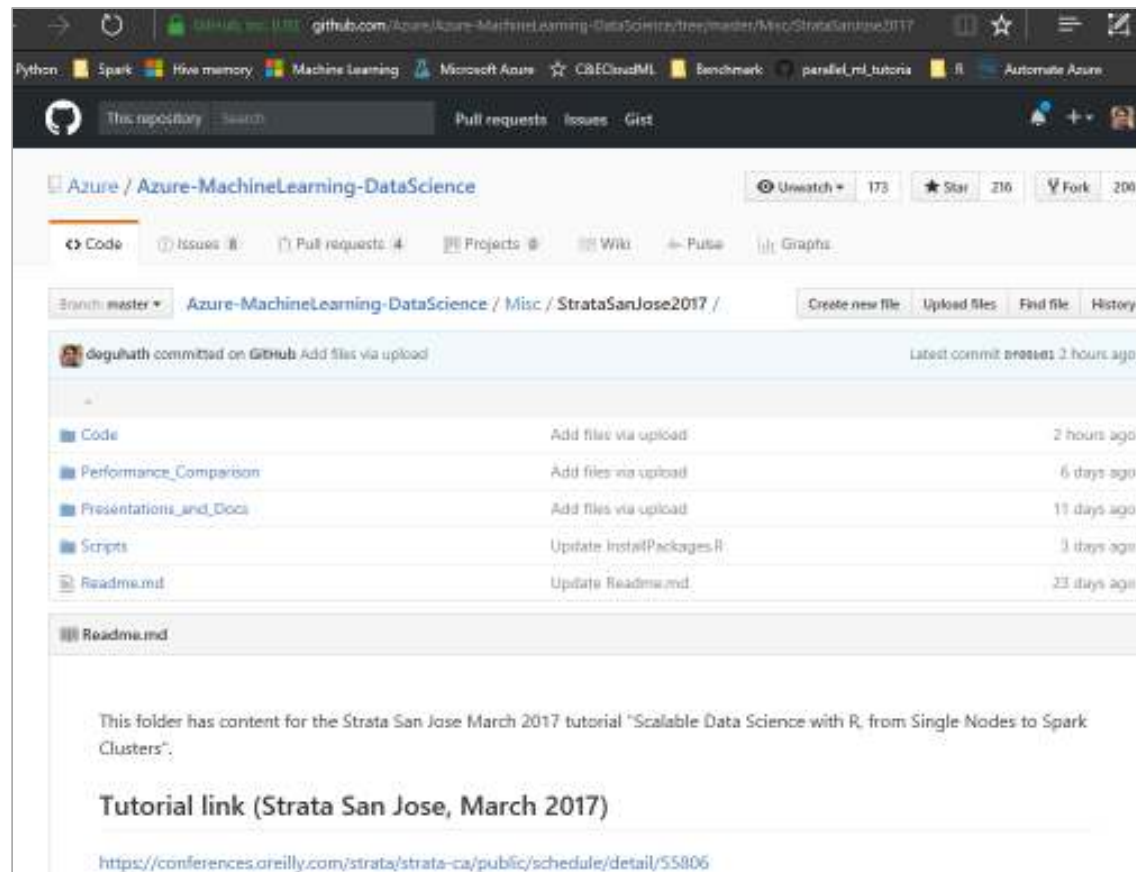


# Spark clusters in Azure HDInsight



- Provisions Azure compute resources with Spark 2.0.2 installed and configured.
- Supports multiple versions (e.g. Spark 1.6).
- Stores data in Azure Blob storage (WASB), Azure Data Lake Store or Local HDFS.

# GitHub repository for all code and scripts

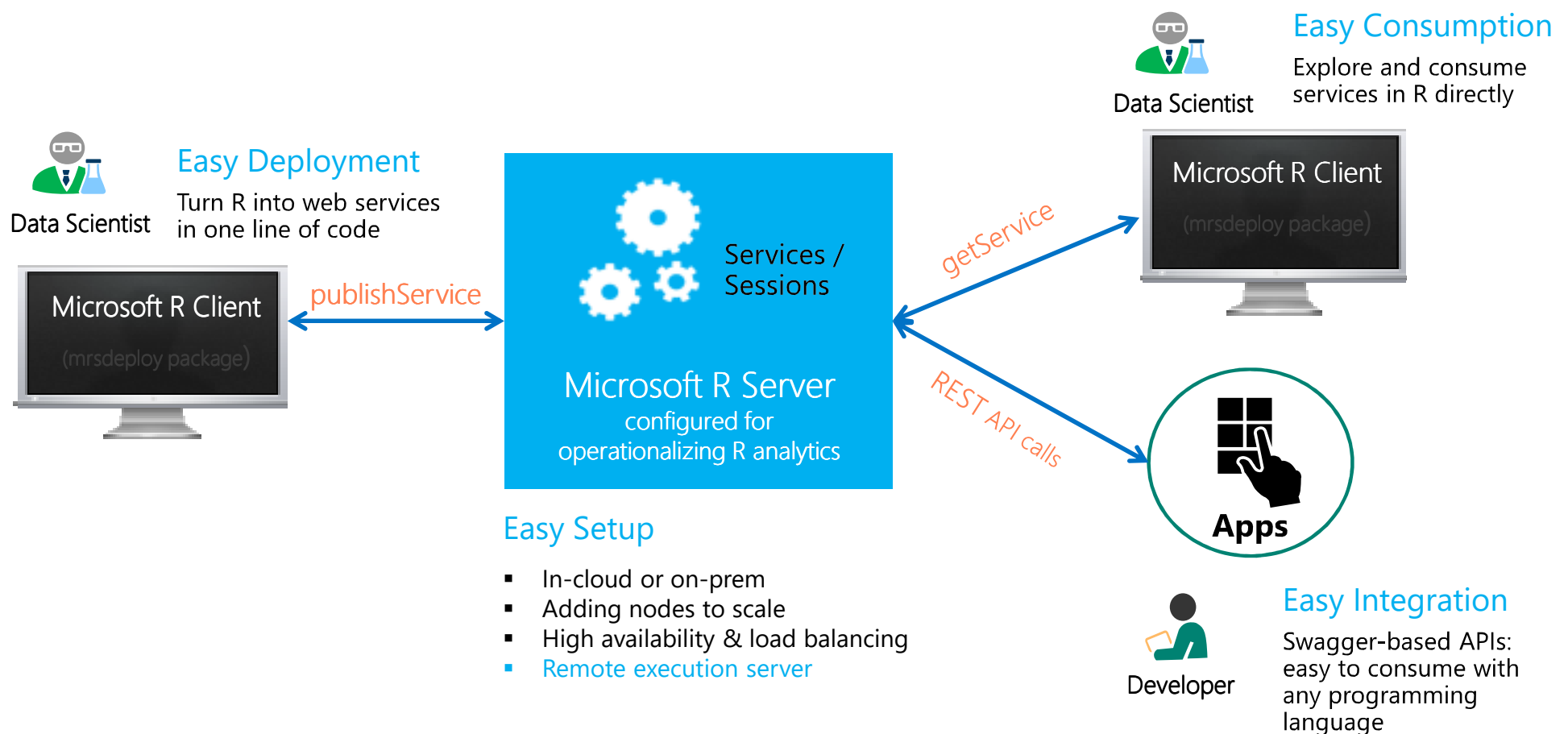


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# SparkR Hands-on

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# Model deployment using R-server operationalization services



# Deployment

Turn R into Web Services easily; and consume them in R

## Build the model first

```
# --- Build the model first -----  
model <- glm(formula = am ~ hp + wt,  
             data = mtcars,  
             family = binomial)  
  
# --- Wrap into a prediction function -----  
manualTransmission <- function(hp, wt) {  
  newdata <- data.frame(hp = hp, wt = wt)  
  predict(model, newdata, type = "response")  
}
```

## Deploy as a web service instantly

```
# --- Access R Server -----  
remoteLoginAAD(  
  "https://deployr-dogfood.contoso.com",  
  authuri = "https://login.contoso.net",  
  tenantid = "contoso.com",  
  clientid = "3955bfff3-2ec2-4975-9068-2812345a3b6f",  
  resource = "b3b96d00-1c06-4b9d-a94f-1234571822b0",  
  session = FALSE  
)  
  
# --- Deploy as web service -----  
api <- publishService(  
  serviceName,  
  code = manualTransmission,  
  model = "transmission.RData",  
  inputs = list(hp = "numeric", wt = "numeric"),  
  outputs = list(answer = "numeric"),  
  v = "v1.0.0"  
)  
  
# --- Consume the service right away in R! -----  
result <- api$manualTransmission(120, 2.8)
```

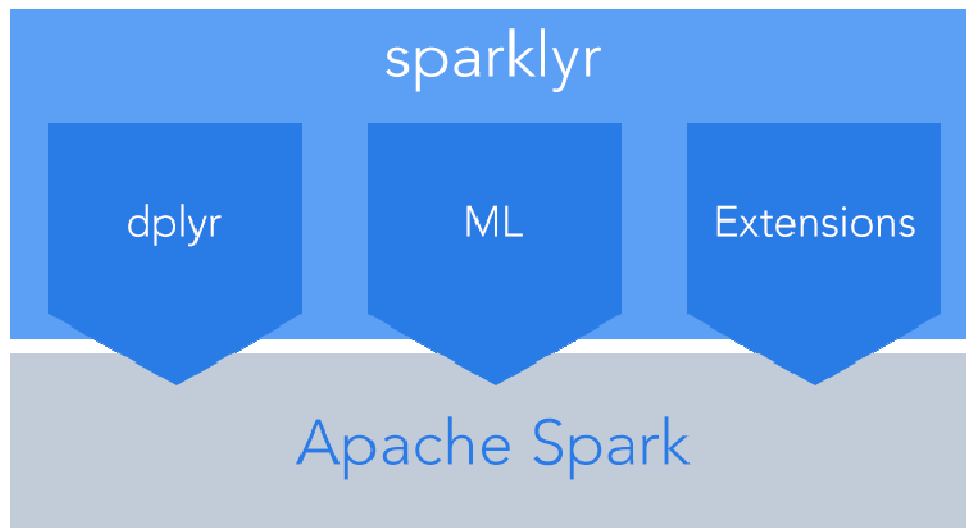
**Package: mrsdeploy**

<https://msdn.microsoft.com/en-us/microsoft-r/operationalize/configuration-initial>  
<https://msdn.microsoft.com/en-us/microsoft-r/operationalize/admin-utility>

# mrsdeploy Hands-on

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# sparklyr: R interface for Apache Spark



- Easy installation from CRAN

```
install.packages("sparklyr")
```

- Connect to both local instances of Spark and remote Spark clusters

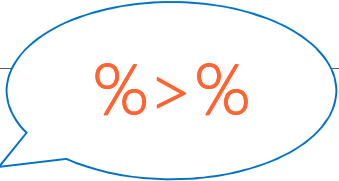
```
library("sparklyr")  
# connect to local instance of Spark  
sc <- spark_connect(master = "local")  
# connect to remote Spark clusters  
sc <- spark_connect(master = "yarn-client")
```

- Loads data into **SparkDataFrame** from: local R data frames, Hive tables, CSV, JSON, and Parquet files.

# dplyr and ML in sparklyr

- Provides a complete **dplyr** backend for data manipulation, analysis and visualization

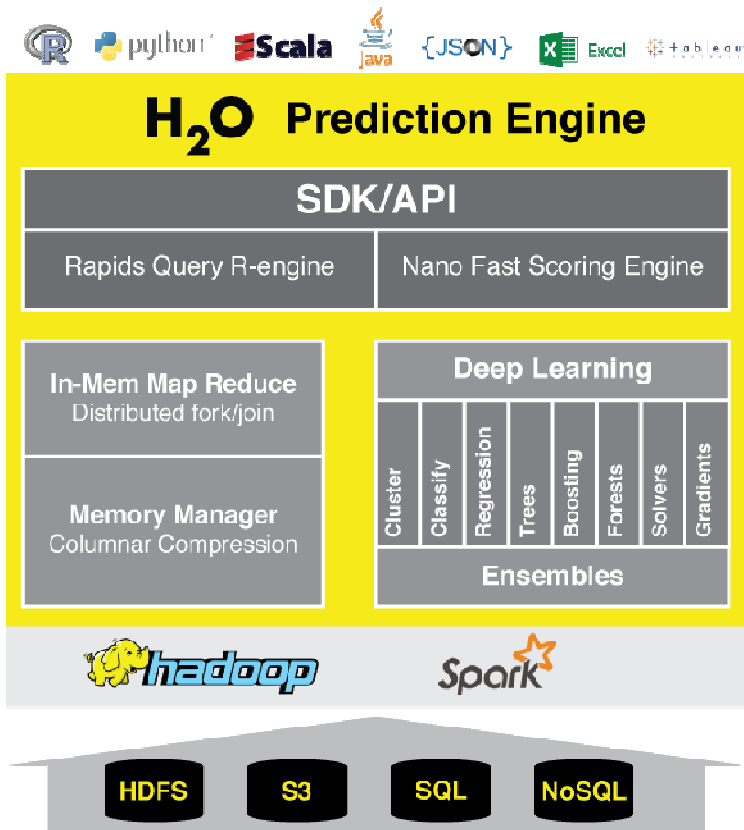
```
# manipulate data with dplyr
library("dplyr")
partitions <- airline_lyr %>%
  mutate(CRSDepTimeHour = floor(CRSDepTime/100)) %>%
  sdf_partition(training = 0.7, test = 0.3, seed = 1099)
```



- Includes 3 family of functions for machine learning pipeline
  - ml\_\***: Machine learning algorithms for analyzing data provided by the spark.ml package.
    - K-Means, GLM, LR, Survival Regression, DT, RF, GBT, PCA, Naive-Bayes, Multilayer Perceptron, LDA
  - ft\_\***: Feature transformers for manipulating individual features.
  - sdf\_\***: Functions for manipulating SparkDataFrames.



# h2o: prediction engine in R



<http://www.h2o.ai/product/>

- Optimized for “in memory” processing of distributed, parallel machine learning algorithms on clusters.
- **Data manipulation and modeling on H2OFrame:** R functions + **h2o** pre-fixed functions.
  - Transformations: `h2o.group_by()`, `h2o.impute()`
  - Statistics: `h2o.summary()`, `h2o.quantile()`, `h2o.mean()`
  - Algorithms: `h2o.glm()`, `h2o.naiveBayes()`, `h2o.deeplearning()`, `h2o.kmeans()`
- **rsparkling** package: h2o on Spark
  - Provides bindings to **h2o**’s machine learning algorithms
  - Simple data conversion: `SparkDataFrame -> H2OFrame`

# sparklyr Hands-on

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15 min break



# Hands-on Tutorials w/ Presentation

## Part II: RevoScaleR [75 mins]



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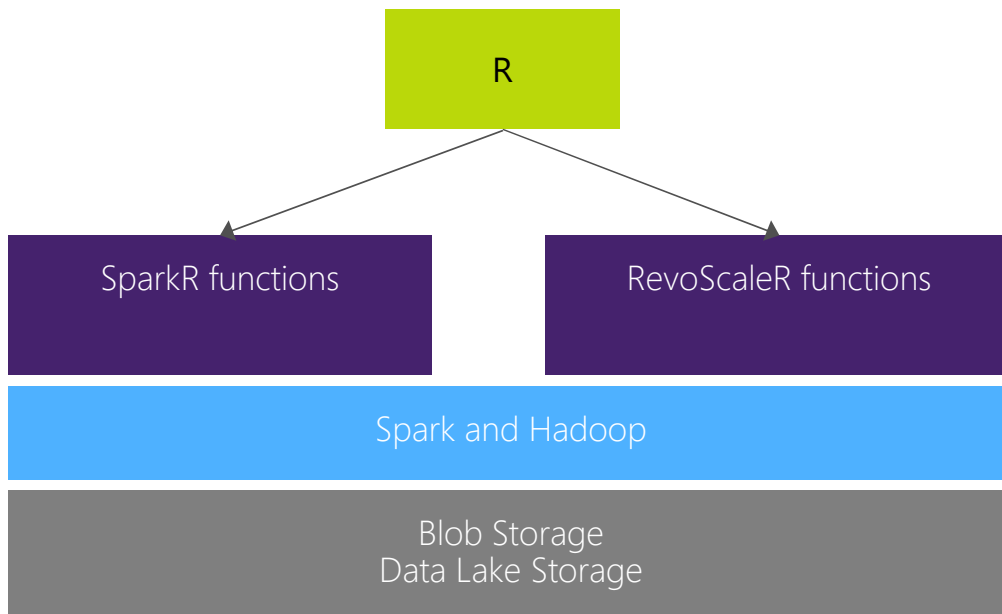
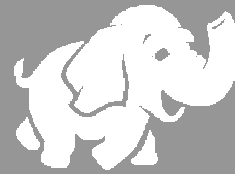
# Hands-on Tutorial: Airline Arrival Delay Prediction using R Server and SparkR

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# R Server 9.0: scale-out R, Enterprise Class!

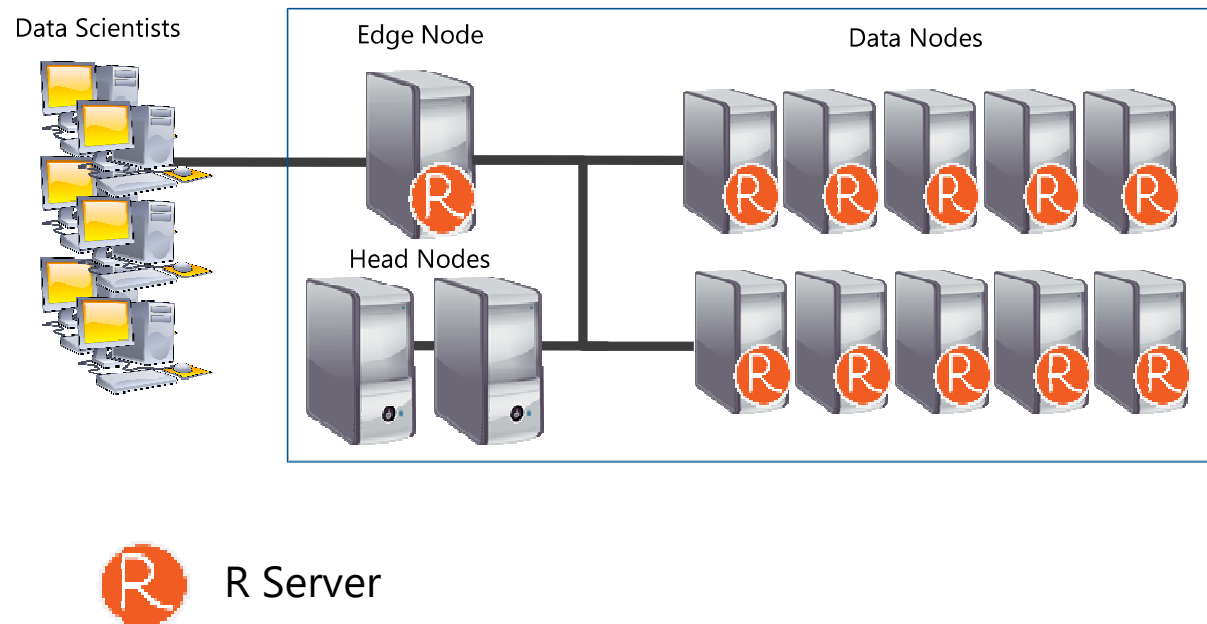
- **100%** compatible with open source R
  - Any code/package that works today with R will work in R Server.
- Ability to parallelize any R function
  - Ideal for parameter sweeps, simulation, scoring.
- Wide range of scalable and distributed **rx** pre-fixed functions in **RevoScaleR** package.
  - Transformations: rxDataStep()
  - Statistics: rxSummary(), rxQuantile(), rxChiSquaredTest(), rxCrossTabs()...
  - Algorithms: rxLinMod(), rxLogit(), rxKmeans(), rxBTrees(), rxDForest()...
  - Parallelism: rxSetComputeContext()

# Azure HDInsight + R Server: Managed Hadoop for Advanced Analytics in the Cloud



- Easy setup, elastic, SLA
- Ubuntu Linux
- Cloud Storage
- Spark
- R Server
  - Leverage R skills with massively scalable algorithms and statistical functions
  - Reuse existing R functions over multiple machines

# R Server Hadoop Architecture



## 1. R Server Local Processing:

Data in Distributed Storage



R process on Edge Node

## 2. R Server Distributed Processing:

Master R process on Edge Node



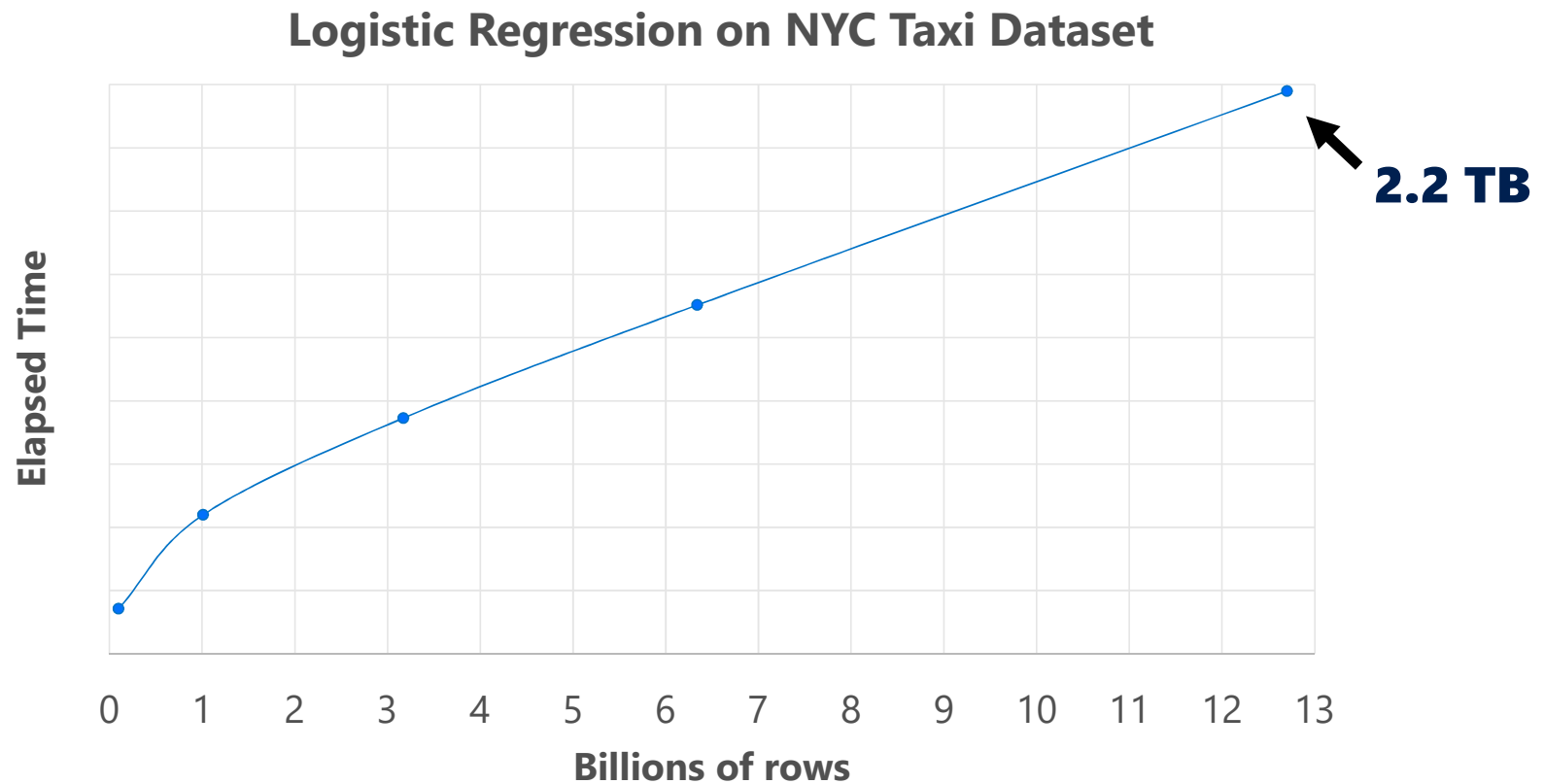
Apache YARN and Spark



Worker R processes on Data Nodes



R Server on Hadoop/HDInsight scales to hundreds of nodes, billions of rows and terabytes of data

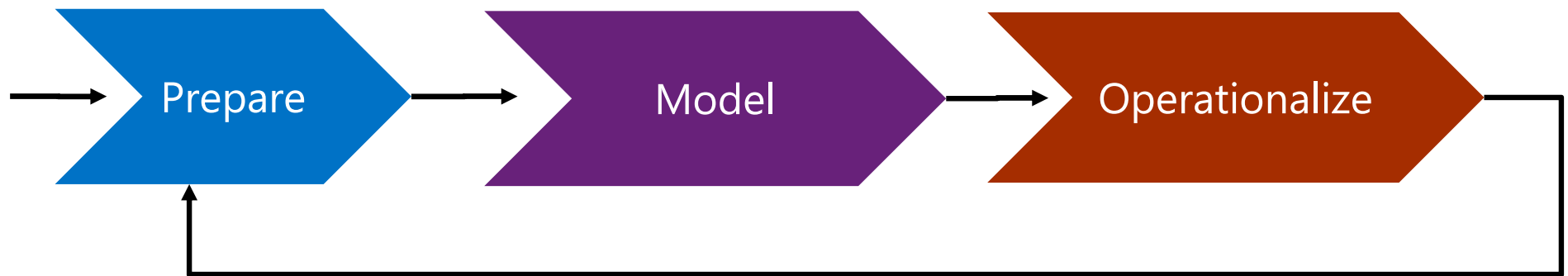


# Typical advanced analytics lifecycle

**Prepare:** Assemble, cleanse, profile and transform diverse data relevant to the subject.

**Model:** Use statistical and machine learning algorithms to build classifiers and regression models

**Operationalize:** Make predictions and visualizations to support business applications



# Airline Arrival Delay Prediction Demo

- Clean/Join – Using SparkR from R Server
- Train/Score/Evaluate – Scalable R Server functions
- Deploy/Consume – Using mrsdeploy from R Server

# Airline data set

- Passenger flight on-time performance data from the US Department of Transportation's TranStats data collection
- >20 years of data
- 300+ Airports
- Every carrier, every commercial flight
- <http://www.transtats.bts.gov>

# Weather data set

- Hourly land-based weather observations from NOAA
- > 2,000 weather stations
- <http://www.ncdc.noaa.gov/orders/qclcd/>

# Provisioning a cluster with R Server

Cluster configuration - 1 x

ms.portal.azure.com/#create/Microsoft.HDInsightCluster

Microsoft Azure New > HDInsight > Basics > Cluster configuration

Report a bug

marinch@microsoft.c... MICROSOFT

HDInsight by Microsoft

Quick create: Custom (size, settings, apps)

1 Basics Configure basic settings

2 Storage Set storage settings

3 Summary Confirm configurations

This cluster may take up to 20 minutes to create.

Cluster name: marinch344

Subscription: BMML R Engineering-Eagle1

Cluster type: Configure required settings

Cluster login username: admin

Cluster login password:

Secure Shell (SSH) username: sshuser

Use same password as cluster login

Resource group: Create new Use existing

Location: East US

Next

Cluster configuration

Learn about HDInsight and cluster versions. Learn more

Cluster type: R Server

Operating system: Linux

Version: R Server 9.0 (HDI 3.3)

Cluster tier: STANDARD PREMIUM

R Server: Terabyte-scale, enterprise grade R analytics with transparent parallelization on top of Spark and Hadoop.

Configuration Options:

- R Server 9.0 on Spark 2.0 with Java 8
- R Server 8.0 on Spark 1.6 with Java 7

Adds \$0.08 per Core-Hour.

Features

\* denotes preview feature

Available	Not available
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> R Studio community edition for R Server	<input type="checkbox"/> Apache Ranger* (PREMIUM)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Secure shell (SSH) access	<input type="checkbox"/> Domain joining* (PREMIUM)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> HDInsight applications	<input type="checkbox"/> Remote Desktop access
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Custom virtual network	<input type="checkbox"/> BI connector

Select

# Scaling a cluster

Scale cluster - Microsoft | ms.portal.azure.com/#resource/sub

marinch343 - Scale cluster

Search (Ctrl+F)

- Overview
- Activity log
- Access control (IAM)
- Tags
- Diagnose and solve problems

SETTINGS

- Locks
- Automation script

GETTING STARTED

- Quick start
- Tools for HDInsight

CONFIGURATION

- Cluster login
- Subscription cores usage
- Scale cluster

Number of Worker nodes: 4

Worker node sizes: D13 v2 (2 nodes, 16 cores)

Head node size: D12 v2 (2 nodes, 8 cores)

Zookeeper node sizes: A2 (3 nodes, 6 cores)

Edge node node sizes: D13 v2 (1 node, 8 cores)

WORKER NODES	$1.368 \times 4 = 5.472$
HEAD NODES	$0.760 \times 2 = 1.520$
ZOOKEEPER NODES	$0.160 \times 3 = 0.480$
EDGE NODE NODES	$1.368 \times 1 = 1.368$
R SERVER SURCHARGE	$0.080 \times 48 = 3.840$
<b>TOTAL COST</b>	<b>12.68</b>
	USD/HOUR (ESTIMATED)

Save | Discard

# Clean and Join using SparkR in R Server

```
#####  
# Join airline data with weather at Origin Airport  
#####  
  
joinedDF <- SparkR::join(  
  airDF,  
  weatherDF,  
  airDF$OriginAirportID == weatherDF$AirportID &  
    airDF$Year == weatherDF$AdjustedYear &  
    airDF$Month == weatherDF$AdjustedMonth &  
    airDF$DayofMonth == weatherDF$AdjustedDay &  
    airDF$CRSDepTime == weatherDF$AdjustedHour,  
  joinType = "left_outer"  
)
```



# Train, Score, and Evaluate using R Server

```
#####  
# Train and Test a Decision Tree model  
#####  
  
# Train using the scalable rxDTree function  
  
dTreeModel <- rxDTree(formula, data = trainDS,  
                      maxDepth = 6, pruneCp = "auto")  
  
# Test using the scalable rxPredict function  
  
rxPredict(dTreeModel, data = testDS, outData = treePredict,  
          extraVarsToWrite = c("ArrDel15"), overwrite = TRUE)
```

# Publish Web Service from R

```
#####  
# Deploy the scoring function as a web service  
#####  
  
# specify the version  
version <- "v1.1.3"  
  
# publish the scoring function web service  
api_frame <- publishService(  
  name = "Delay_Prediction_Service",  
  code = scoringFn,  
  model = "dTreeModelSubset.RData",  
  inputs = list(newdata = "data.frame"),  
  outputs = list(answer = "data.frame"),  
  v = version  
)
```

# Demo Technologies Review

- HDInsight Premium Hadoop cluster
- Data Science Virtual Machine
- Spark on YARN distributed computing
- R Server R interpreter
- SparkR data manipulation functions
- RevoScaleR Statistical & Machine Learning functions
- mrsdeploy web service operationalization

Distributed model training and  
parameter optimization:

# Learning Curves on Big Data

Robert M. Horton, PhD MS  
Senior Data Scientist

# Learning Curve



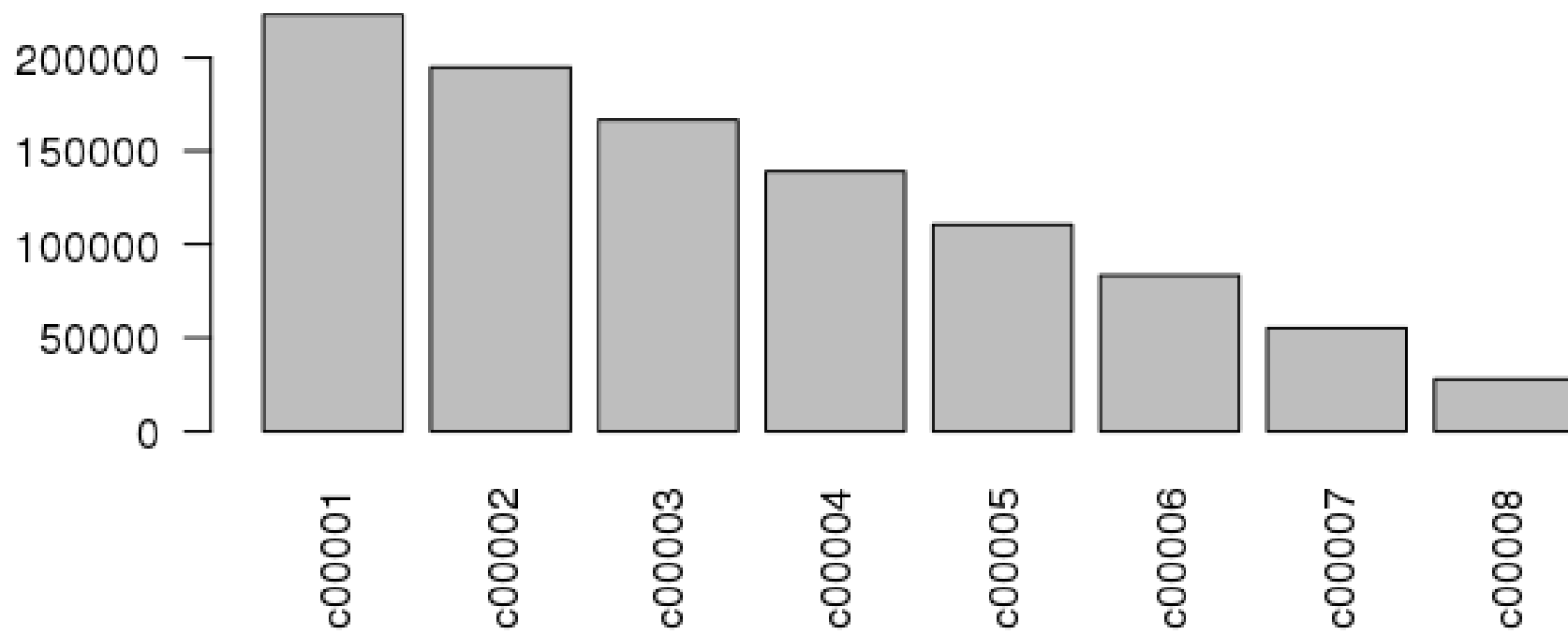
# Simulated Data

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	y
a00002	b00001	c00003	d00002	e00026	f00011	g00043	h00142	i00049	j00161	-19.4032
a00001	b00002	c00004	d00013	e00024	f00047	g00037	h00139	i00068	j00164	28.2963
a00002	b00002	c00002	d00004	e00017	f00002	g00086	h00141	i00059	j00447	-8.9377
a00001	b00002	c00001	d00003	e00012	f00004	g00066	h00050	i00163	j00714	-27.9605
a00001	b00003	c00001	d00002	e00004	f00016	g00011	h00097	i00163	j00246	27.3483
a00002	b00001	c00001	d00003	e00023	f00006	g00002	h00072	i00249	j00188	4.7853
a00001	b00003	c00007	d00010	e00002	f00006	g00036	h00031	i00250	j00179	25.9673
a00002	b00003	c00004	d00016	e00017	f00004	g00029	h00077	i00168	j00020	27.1069
a00001	b00001	c00002	d00011	e00003	f00033	g00047	h00115	i00310	j00280	9.5063
a00001	b00001	c00004	d00006	e00006	f00040	g00086	h00014	i00002	j00374	-19.5206
a00001	b00002	c00001	d00002	e00004	f00028	g00044	h00005	i00431	j00646	-4.0899
a00001	b00003	c00002	d00006	e00018	f00044	g00040	h00232	i00254	j00261	19.7420
a00002	b00002	c00007	d00003	e00011	f00012	g00081	h00071	i00291	j00023	7.9582
a00002	b00003	c00004	d00012	e00005	f00006	g00056	h00182	i00430	j00615	-37.2846
a00001	b00002	c00007	d00001	e00026	f00022	g00033	h00157	i00067	j00039	3.6434

Increasing cardinality

Y

**category counts for variable C**



# Parameter Table

model_class	training_fraction	with_formula	test_set_kfold_id	KFOLDS	cube
rxLinMod	0.0150000	y ~ D+C+B+A	1	3	TRUE
rxLinMod	0.0219736	y ~ D+C+B+A	1	3	TRUE
rxLinMod	0.0321893	y ~ D+C+B+A	1	3	TRUE
rxLinMod	0.0471543	y ~ D+C+B+A	1	3	TRUE
rxLinMod	0.0690766	y ~ D+C+B+A	1	3	TRUE
rxLinMod	0.1011907	y ~ D+C+B+A	1	3	TRUE
rxLinMod	0.1482349	y ~ D+C+B+A	1	3	TRUE
rxLinMod	0.2171503	y ~ D+C+B+A	1	3	TRUE
rxLinMod	0.3181049	y ~ D+C+B+A	1	3	TRUE
rxLinMod	0.4659939	y ~ D+C+B+A	1	3	TRUE
rxLinMod	0.6826375	y ~ D+C+B+A	1	3	TRUE
rxLinMod	1.0000000	y ~ D+C+B+A	1	3	TRUE
rxLinMod	0.0150000	y ~ E+D+C+B+A	1	3	TRUE
rxLinMod	0.0219736	y ~ E+D+C+B+A	1	3	TRUE
rxLinMod	0.0321893	y ~ E+D+C+B+A	1	3	TRUE
...	...	...	...	...	...



# Dynamic Sampling

*row\_tagger:*

```
set.seed(chunk_num + salt)
kfold <- sample(1:kfolds, size=num_rows,
               replace=TRUE)
in_test_set <- kfold == kfold_id
num_training_candidates <- sum(!in_test_set)
keepers <- sample(rowNums[!in_test_set],
                  prob * num_training_candidates)
data_list$in_training_set <- rowNums %in% keepers
data_list$in_test_set <- in_test_set
```

# Dynamic Scoring

*On each chunk:*

```
residual <- rxPredict(model, <selected cases>)  
SSE <- SSE + sum(residual^2, na.rm=TRUE)  
rowCount <- rowCount + sum(!is.na(residual))
```

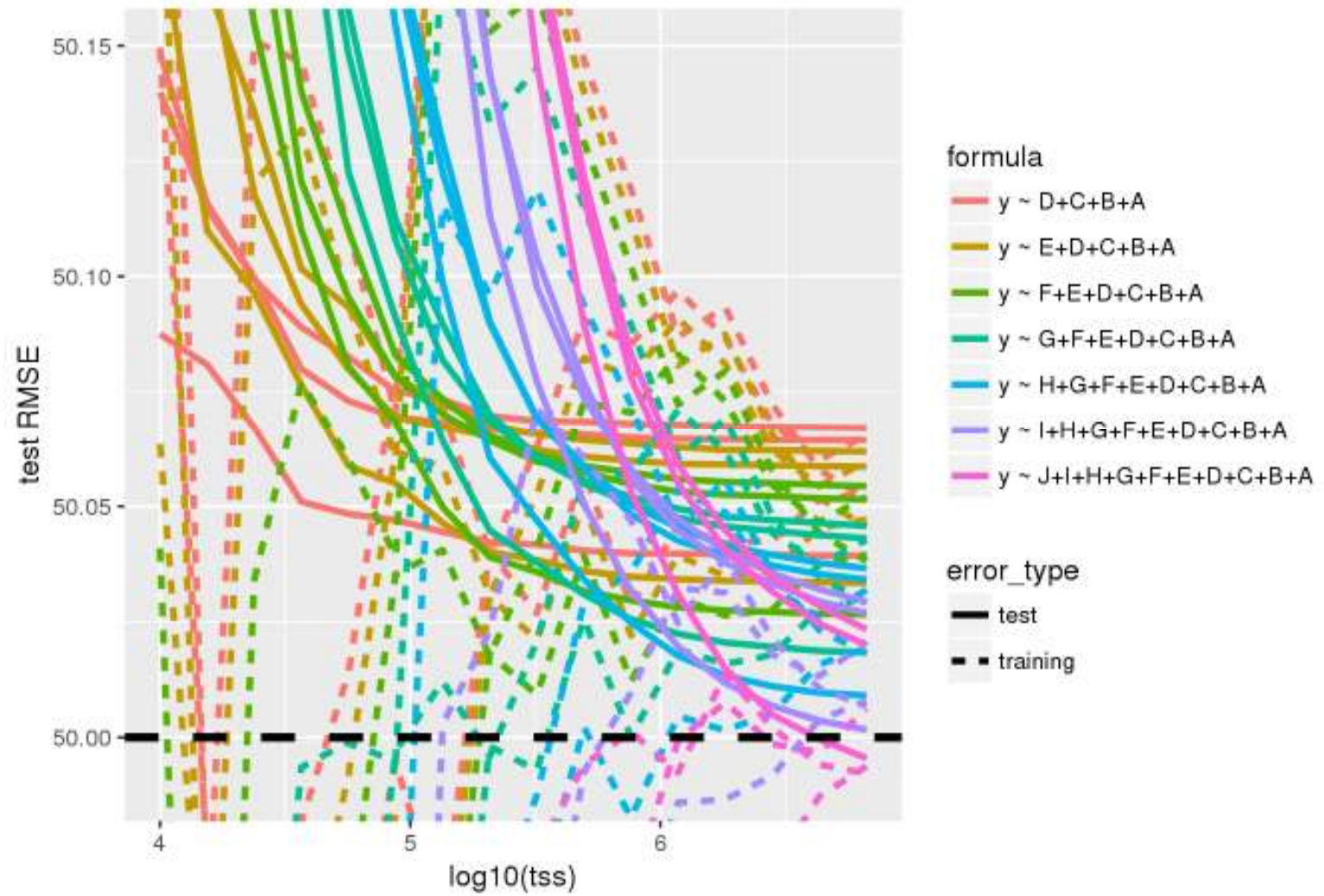
*On overall results:*

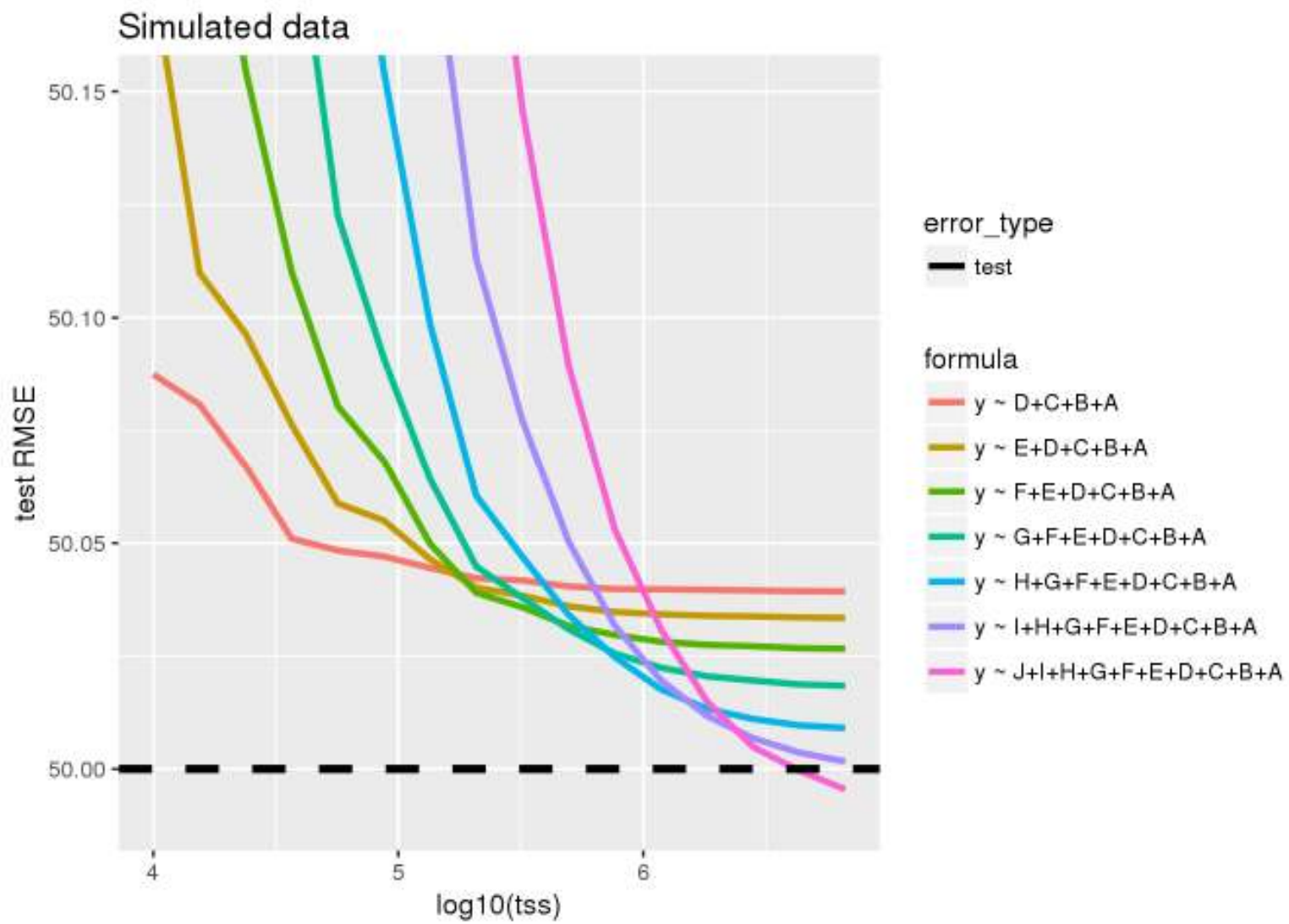
```
sqrt(SSE/rowCount)) # root mean square error
```

# Demo

Running learning curves with R Server

Simulated data

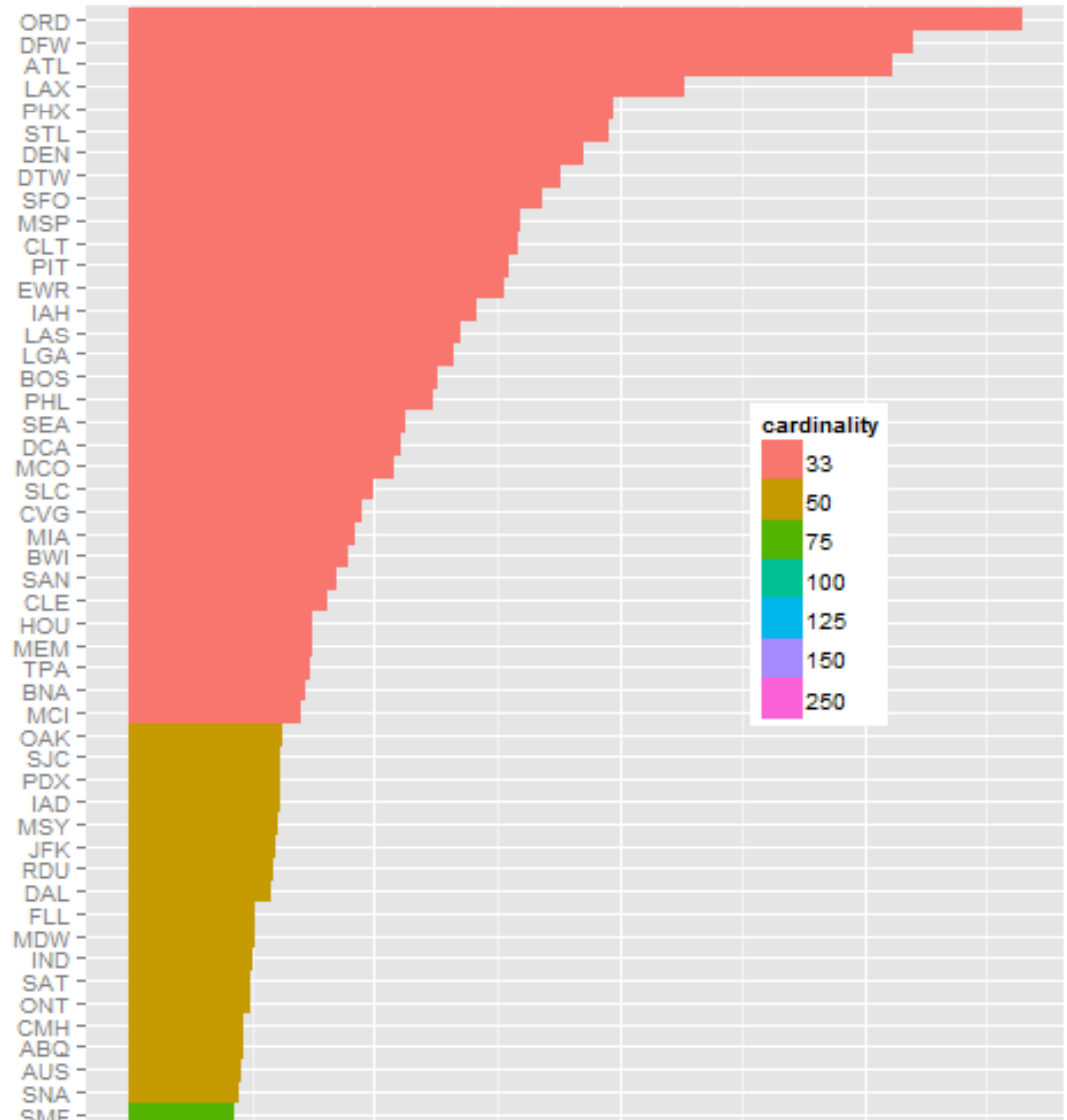


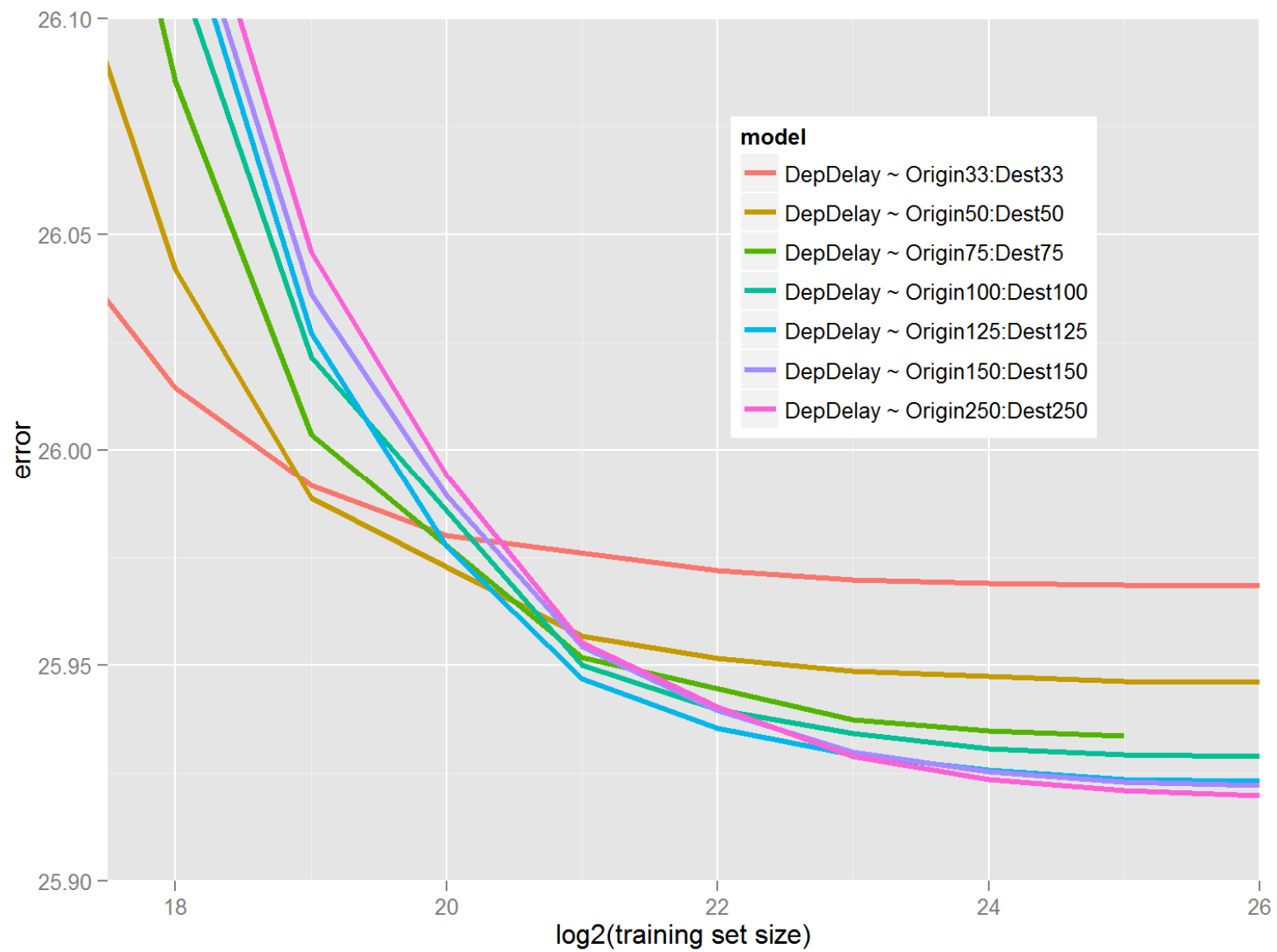


# Airline Flight Delay: varying cardinality

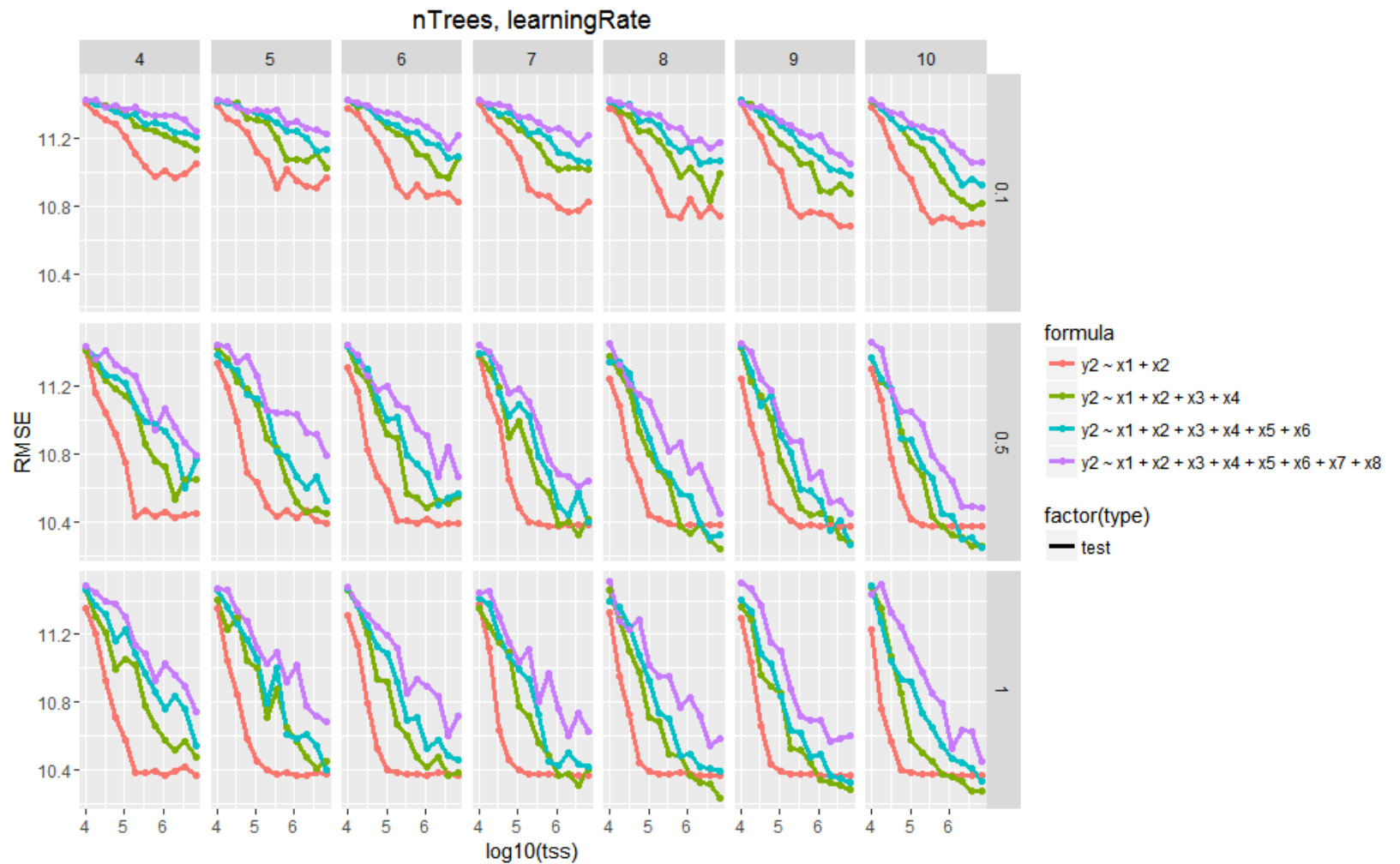
Columns added:

**Origin33, Dest33,**  
**Origin50, Dest50,**  
**Origin75, Dest75,**  
**Origin100, Dest100,**  
**Origin125, Dest125,**  
**Origin150, Dest150,**  
**Origin250, Dest250**





# Tuning Boosted Trees





# Hierarchical Time Series

Vanja Paunic

# Comparisons

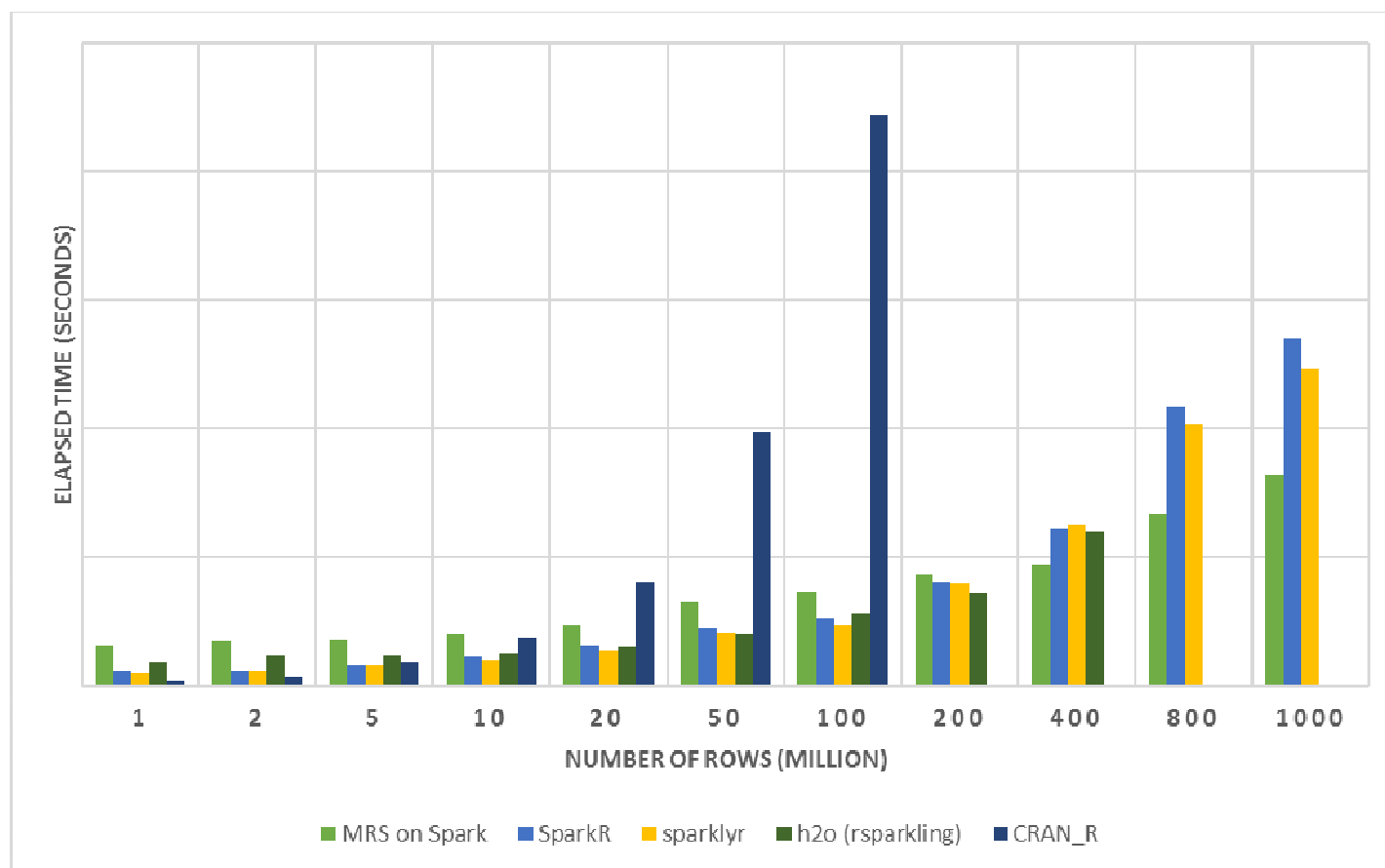
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# Base and scalable approaches comparison

Approach	Scalability	Spark	Hadoop	SQL Server	Teradata	Support
CRAN R1	Single machines					Community
SparkR	Single + Distributed computing	X				Community
sparklyr	Single + Distributed computing	X				Community
h2o	Single + Distributed computing	X	X			Community
RevoScaleR	Single + Distributed computing	X	X	X	X	Enterprise

1. CRAN R indicates no additional R packages installed

# R Server on Spark - faster and more scalable



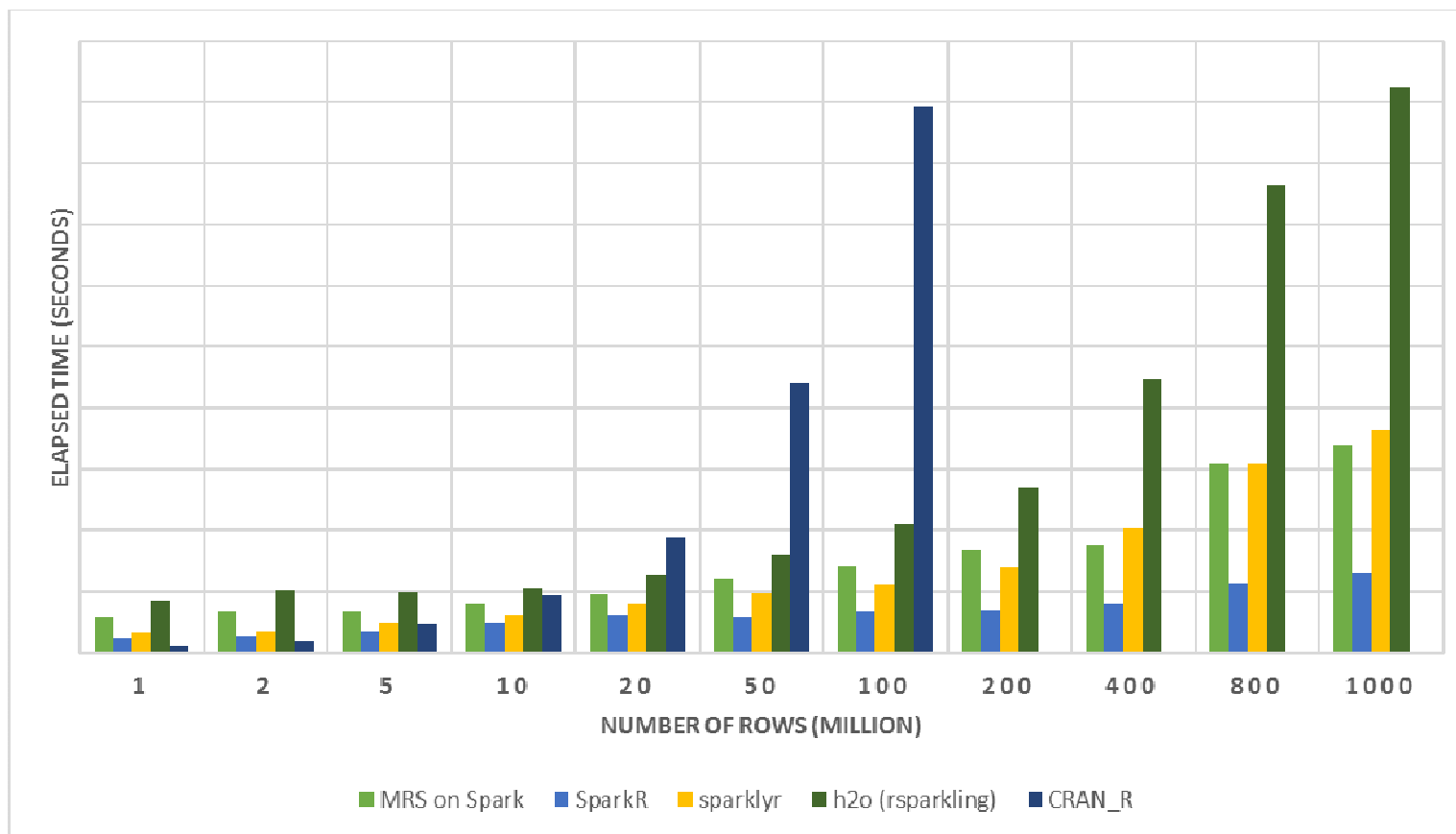
## E2E Process:

- Load Data from .csv
- Transform Features
- Split Data: Train + Test
- Fit Model: Logistic Regression (no regularization)
- Predict and Write Outputs

## Configuration:

- 1 Edge Node: 16 cores, 112GB
- 4 Worker Nodes: 16 cores, 112GB
- Dataset: Duplicated Airlines data (.csv)
- Number of columns: 26

# SparkR - outperform when loading data



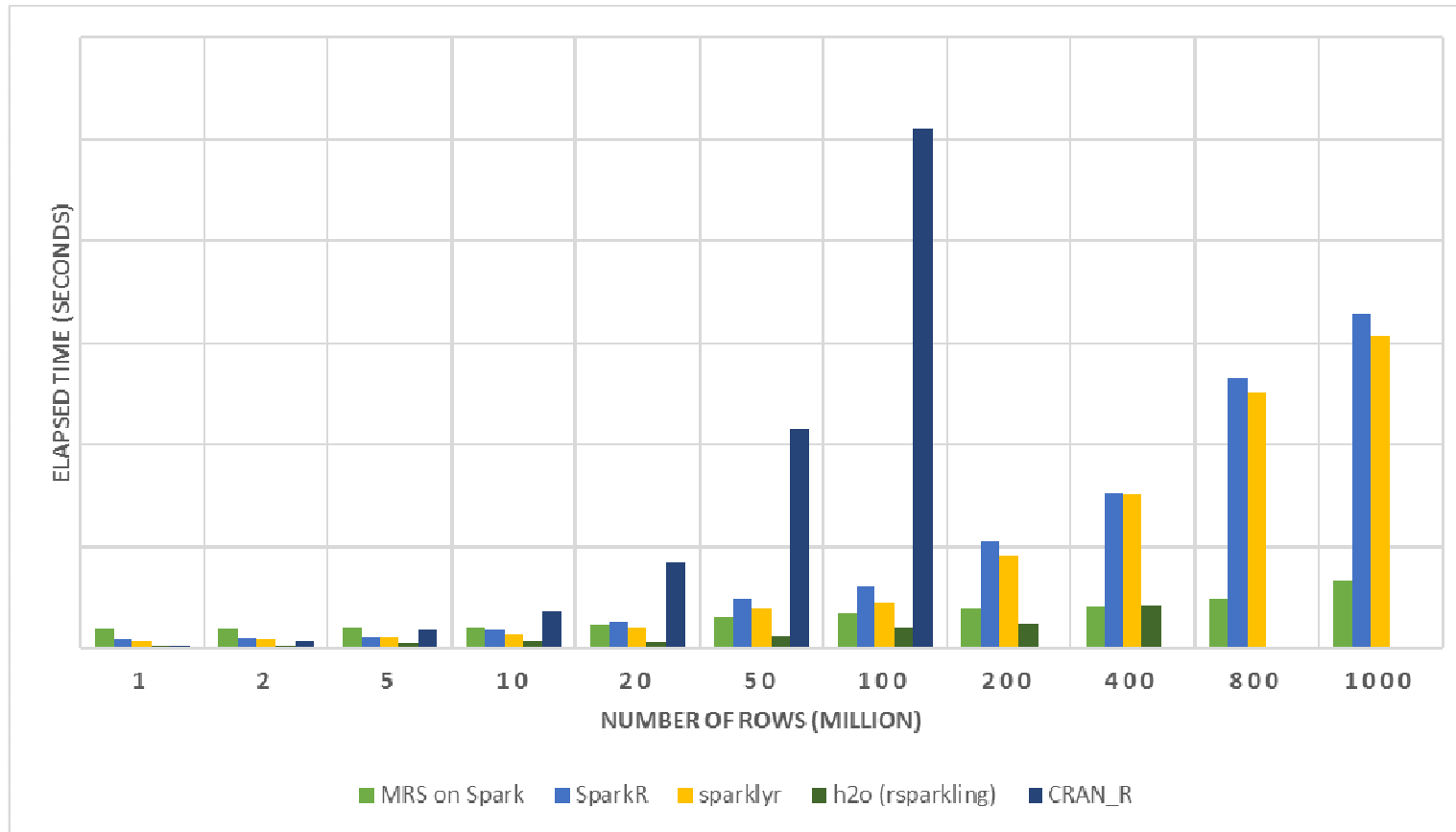
## Load Data:

- MRS on Spark: **XDF**
- SparkR: **Spark DF**
- sparklyr: **Spark DF**
- h2o: **H2OFrame**
- CRAN R: **DF**

## Configuration:

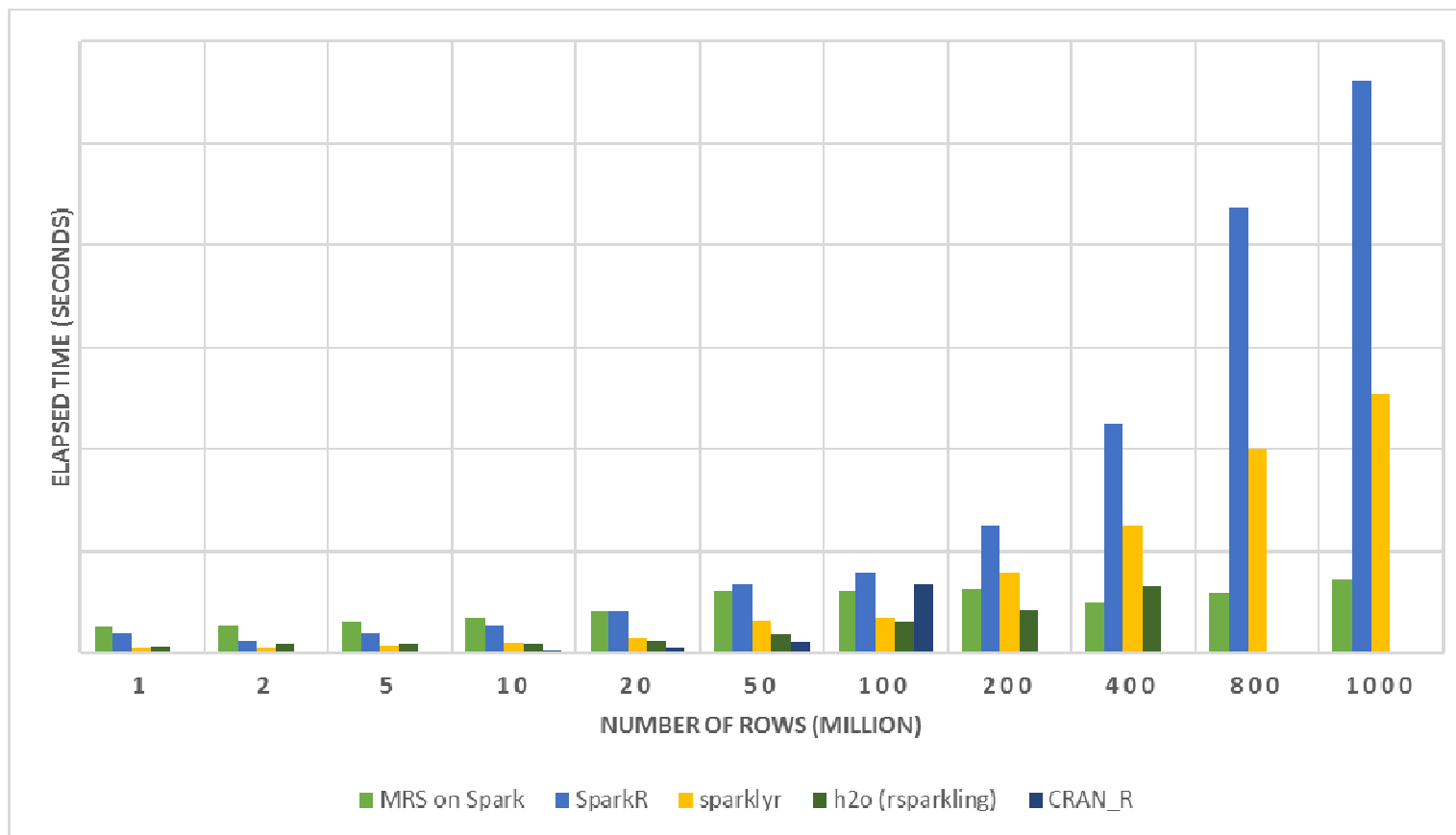
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# MRS – faster when fitting big data



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# MRS - save time when making predictions



## Predict:

- Outputs predictions into files in HDFS

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# Other Options for Scaling R Scripts



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# The **bigmemory** project

- Coined by Michael Kane and John Emerson at Yale University
- **bigmemory** works with massive matrix-like objects in R
- Combines memory and file-backed data structures: analyze numerical data larger than RAM



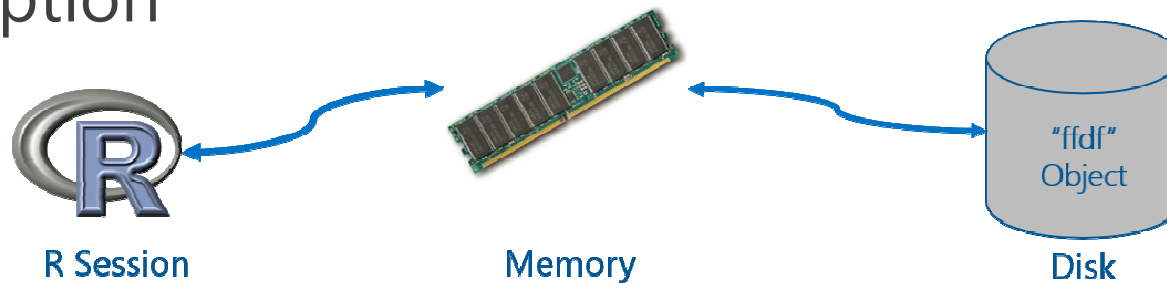
- The data structures may be allocated to shared memory

# sister packages and related work

- **biganalytics**: provides exploratory data analysis functionality on big.matrix
- **bigtabulate**: adds table-, tapply-, and split-like behavior for big.matrix
- **bigalgebra**: performs linear algebra calculations on big.matrix and R matrix
- **synchronicity**: supports synchronization and may eventually support interprocess communication (ipc) and message passing
- **biglm**: provides linear and generalized linear models on big.matrix
- **Rdsm**: enables shared-memory parallelism with big.matrix

# ff package

- Provides data structures that are stored on Disk, but behave as if they were in RAM
- Maps only a section in main memory for effective consumption



- Accepts numeric and characters as input data

# ff related packages

- **ffbase**: adds basic statistical functionality to ff. (Note: \*.ff apply on ff vectors, and \*.ffdf apply on ffdf.)
  - Coercions: `as.character.ff()`, `as.Date_ff_vector()`, `as.ffdf.ffdf()`, `as.ram.ffdf()`
  - Selections: `subset.ffdf()`, `ffwhich()`, `transform.ffdf()`, `within.ffdf()`, `with.ffdf()`
  - Aggregations: `quantile.ff()`, `hist.ff()`, `sum.ff()`, `mean.ff()`, `range.ff()`, `tabulate.ff()`
  - Algorithms: `bigglm.ffdf()`
- **biglars**: provides least-angle regression, lasso and stepwise regression on ff.

# Parallel programming with **foreach**

- Provides a function **foreach** and two operators **%do%** and **%dopar%** that support parallel execution
- **%dopar%** operator relies on a pre-registered parallel backend – `doParallel(parallel)`, `doSNOW(snow)`, `doMC(multicore)`, `doMPI(Rmpi)` and etc.

```
> library("doParallel")
> cl <- makeCluster(getOption("cl.cores", 4))
> registerDoParallel(cl)

> rf <- foreach(ntree=rep(250, 4), .combine=combine, .packages='randomForest') %dopar%
+   randomForest(x, y, ntree=ntree)
> rf

Call:
  randomForest(x = x, y = y, ntree = ntree)
      Type of random forest: classification
      Number of trees: 1000
No. of variables tried at each split: 2
```

Source: [foreach](#) package.

# Q & A



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THANK YOU

Backups



# Parallelized & Distributed Analytics



## ETL

- Data import – Delimited, Fixed, SAS, SPSS, ODBC
- Variable creation & transformation
- Recode variables
- Factor variables
- Missing value handling
- Sort, Merge, Split
- Aggregate by category (means, sums)



## Descriptive Statistics

- Min / Max, Mean, Median (approx.)
- Quantiles (approx.)
- Standard Deviation
- Variance
- Correlation
- Covariance
- Sum of Squares (cross product matrix for set variables)
- Pairwise Cross tabs
- Risk Ratio & Odds Ratio
- Cross-Tabulation of Data (standard tables & long form)
- Marginal Summaries of Cross Tabulations



## Statistical Tests

- Chi Square Test
- Kendall Rank Correlation
- Fisher's Exact Test
- Student's t-Test



## Predictive Statistics

- Sum of Squares (cross product matrix for set variables)
- Multiple Linear Regression
- Generalized Linear Models (GLM) exponential family distributions: binomial, Gaussian, inverse Gaussian, Poisson, Tweedie. Standard link functions: cauchit, identity, log, logit, probit. User defined distributions & link functions.
- Covariance & Correlation Matrices
- Logistic Regression
- Predictions/scoring for models
- Residuals for all models



## Variable Selection

- Stepwise Regression



## Machine Learning

- Decision Trees
- Decision Forests
- Gradient Boosted Decision Trees
- Naïve Bayes



## Clustering

- K-Means



## Sampling

- Subsample (observations & variables)
- Random Sampling



## Simulation

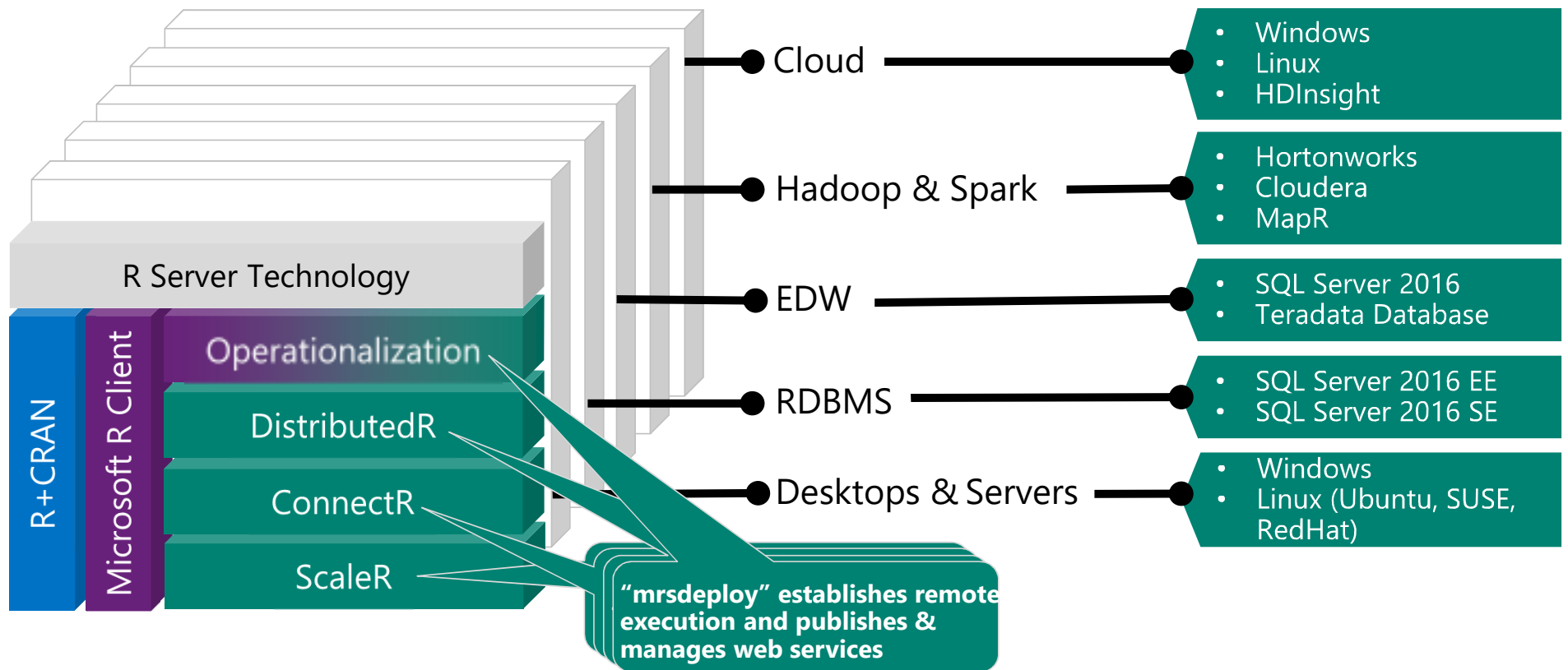
- Simulation (e.g. Monte Carlo)
- Parallel Random Number Generation



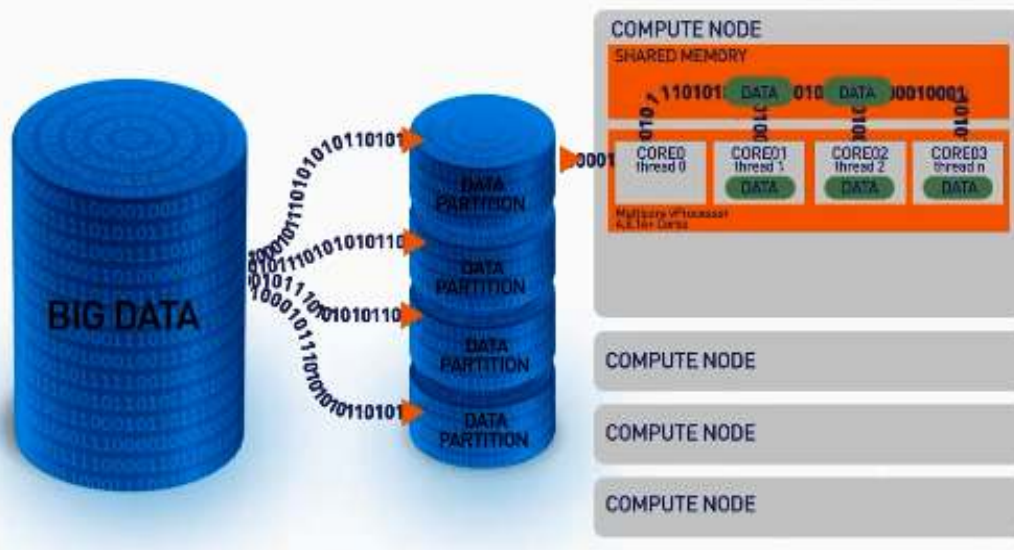
## Custom Parallelization

- rxDataStep
- rxExec
- PEMA-R API

# Portable across multiple platforms



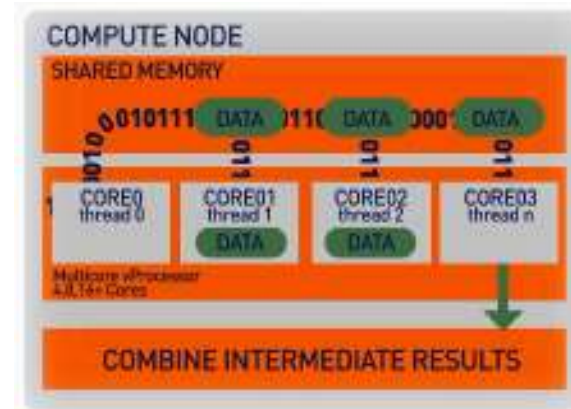
# ScaleR: parallel + Big Data



**Stream data into blocks** from sources: Hive tables, CSV, Parquet, XDF, ODBC and SQL Server.

**XDF file format** is optimised to work with the ScaleR library and significantly speeds up iterative algorithm processing.

Our ScaleR algorithms work inside multiple cores / nodes **in parallel** at high speed



Interim results are collected and combined analytically to produce the output on the entire data set

# Write Once - Deploy Anywhere

ScaleR models can be deployed **from a server or edge node** to run in **Spark/Hadoop** without any functional R model re-coding.

Local Parallel processing - **Linux or Windows**

```
### SETUP LOCAL ENVIRONMENT VARIABLES ###  
myLocalCC <- "localpar"  
  
### LOCAL COMPUTE CONTEXT ###  
rxSetComputeContext(myLocalCC)  
  
### CREATE LINUX, DIRECTORY AND FILE OBJECTS ###  
linuxFS <- RxNativeFileSystem()  
AirlineDataSet <- RxXdfData("airline_20MM.xdf",  
                           fileSystem = linuxFS)
```

In - **Spark/Hadoop**

```
### SETUP SPARK/HADOOP ENVIRONMENT VARIABLES ###  
mySparkCC <- RxSpark()           myHadoopCC <- RxHadoopMR()  
  
### HADOOP COMPUTE CONTEXT ###  
rxSetComputeContext(mySparkCC)  
rxSetComputeContext(myHadoopCC)  
  
### CREATE HDFS, DIRECTORY AND FILE OBJECTS ###  
hdfsFS <- RxHdfsFileSystem()  
AirlineDataSet <- RxXdfData("airline_20MM.xdf",  
                           fileSystem = hdfsFS)
```

Compute  
context R script  
- sets where the  
model will run

Functional model  
R script – does  
not need to  
change to run in  
Spark

```
### ANALYTICAL PROCESSING ###  
### Statistical Summary of the data  
rxSummary( ~ ArrDelay + DayOfWeek, data = AirlineDataSet, reportProgress = 1)  
  
### CrossTab the data  
rxCrossTabs(ArrDelay ~ DayOfWeek, data = AirlineDataSet, means = T)  
  
### Linear model and plot  
hdfsXdfArrLateLinMod <- rxLinMod(ArrDelay ~ DayOfWeek + CRSDepTime, data = AirlineDataSet)  
plot(hdfsXdfArrLateLinMod$coefficients)
```