

# Introduction to Cloud Storage

Harvesting, Storing, and Retrieving Data



# Pre-Cloud Storage: Traditional Data Storage Concepts

- Traditional storage has fast access speeds
  - Security can be manually set up
  - Users can recover the data anytime
  - On-site backup and modification are easy.
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# Pre-Cloud Storage: Traditional Data Storage



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Punch Cards



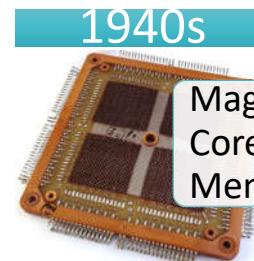
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Magnetic Drum



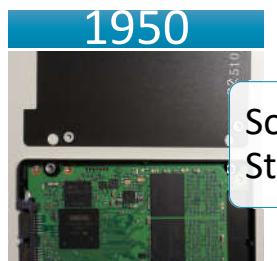
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Vacuum Tube



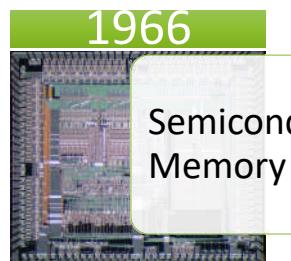
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Magnetic Core Memory



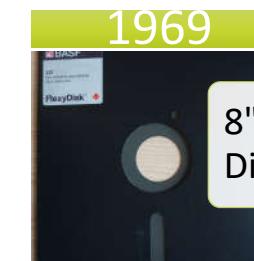
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Solid State



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Semiconductor Memory



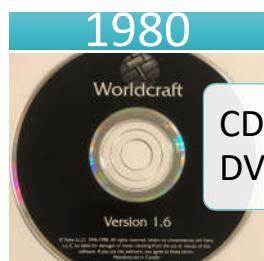
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8" Floppy Discs



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3.5" Floppy Discs



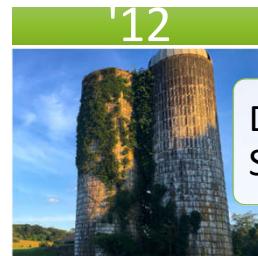
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CDs and DVDs



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Flash Drives



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Data Silos



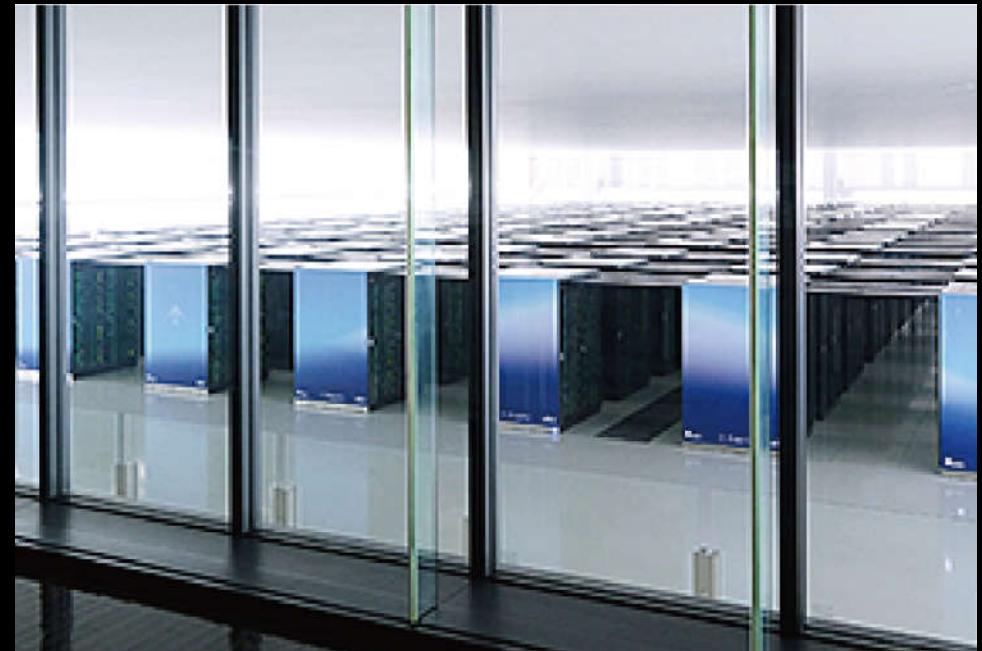
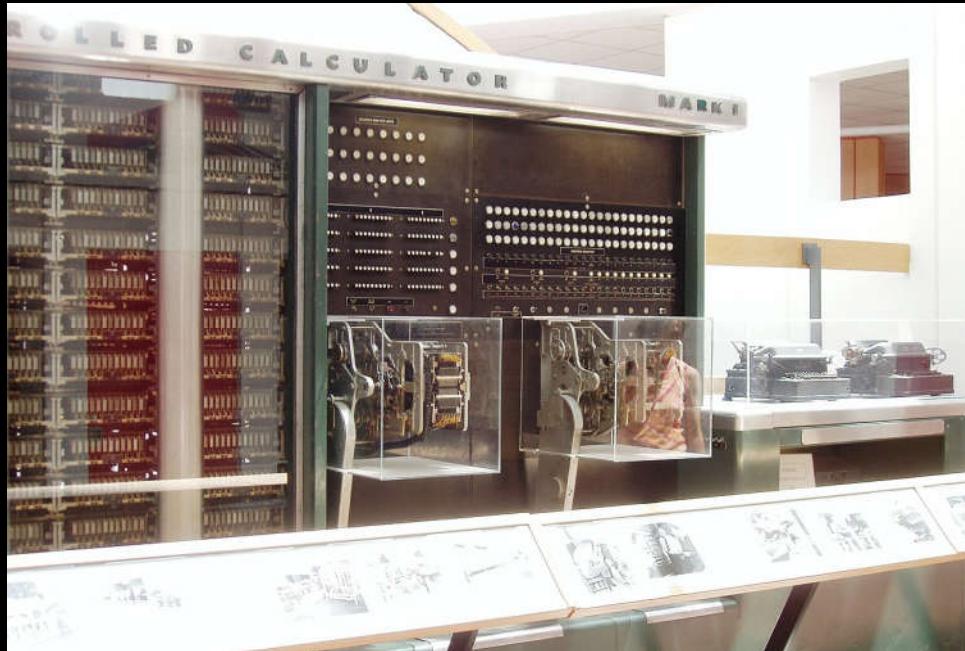
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Data Lakes



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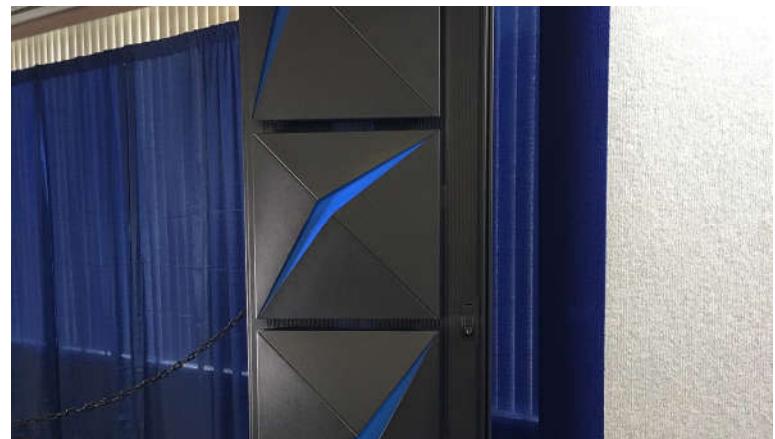


Pre-Cloud Storage:  
Traditional Data  
Warehouse Concepts

- Mainframes
- Supercomputers

## Mainframes: Yesterday and Today

- Still today:
  - 67 of the Fortune 100
  - 45 of the top 50 Banks
  - 8 of the top 10 Insurers and Telcos
  - 7 of the top 10 Retailers
  - 4 of the top 5 Airlines
- Benefits:
  - Improved overall operational efficiency
  - Improved security monitoring
  - Better adherence to regulatory and privacy compliance
  - Well-managed access (authentication and authorization)
  - Reduced risk to the business



# Supercomputers: Yesterday and Today

	OS	CPU	Memory	Storage	FLOPS
CRAY1	COS & UNICOS	64-bit processor @ 80 MHz	8.39 Megabyte	303 Megabyte	160 MFLOPS (mega FLOPS or $10^6$ )
Fugaku	Custom Linux-based kernel	158,976 nodes Fujitsu A64FX CPU (48+4 core) per node	HBM2 32 GiB/node	1.6 TB NVMe SSD/16 nodes	442 PFLOPS (peta FLOPS or $10^{15}$ )



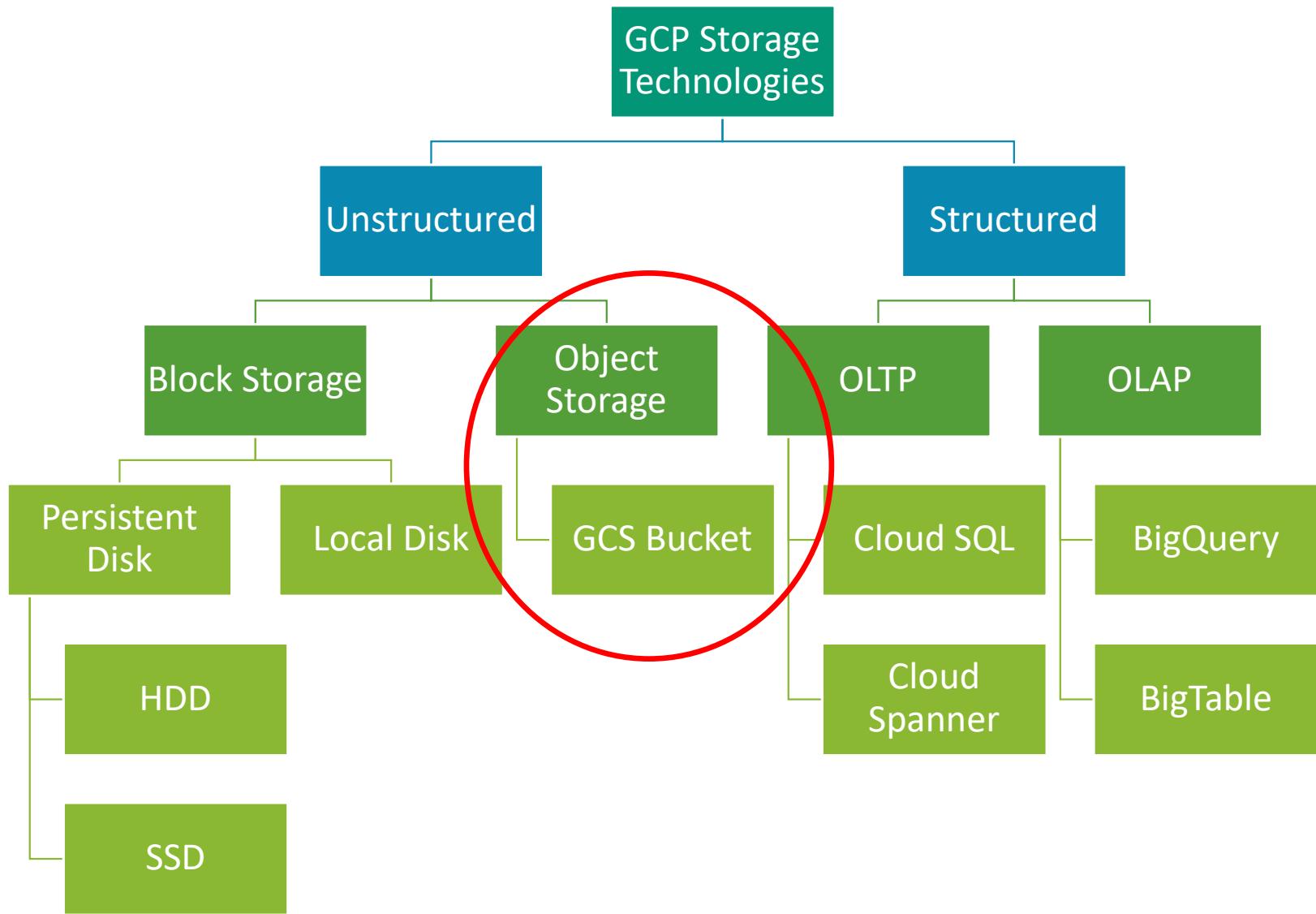
# Here in lies the need for storage in the cloud

We have discussed Big Data in an earlier lecture but how do we store Big Data?

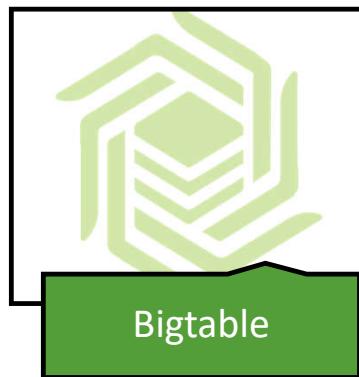
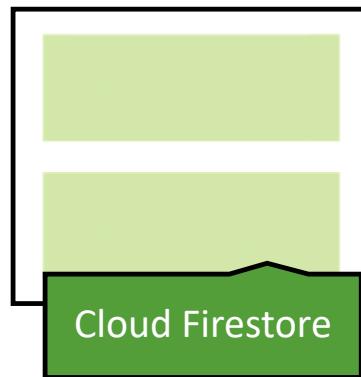
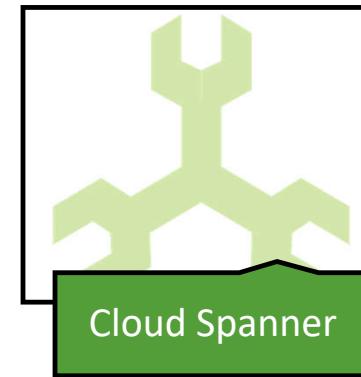
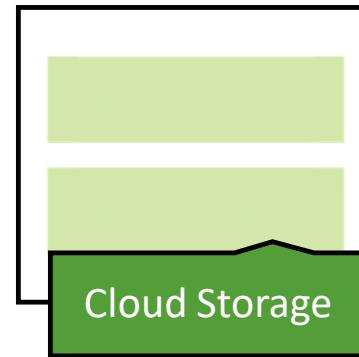
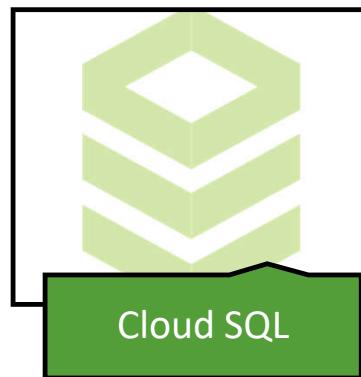
- Google gets over 3.5 billion searches daily
- In 2020, every person generated 1.7 megabytes of data every second
- 95% of businesses say that managing unstructured data is a problem
- 80 – 90% of the data generated today is unstructured
- Predicted that data creation will be more than 180 zettabytes by 2025
- Data interaction went up by 5000% from 2010 to 2020



# Introduction to Google Cloud Storage



# Different GCP Storage Services



# What are the Cloud Storage Classes?

- Standard
- Nearline
- Coldline
- Archive



# Storage Classes

## Cloud Storage at a Glance

### High Frequency Access

### Low Frequency Access

### Lowest Frequency Access

#### Regional

- 99.9% Availability
- 99.99999999% Durability
- Lower Cost Storage
- No Retrieval Cost

#### Multi-Regional

- 99.95% Availability
- 99.99999999% Durability
- Geo Redundant
- No Retrieval Cost

#### Nearline

- 99.9% or 99.0% Availability
- 99.99999999% Durability
- Low-Cost Storage
- 30 day minimum

#### Coldline

- 99.9% or 99.0% Availability
- 99.99999999% Durability
- Low-Cost Storage
- 90 day minimum



## Understanding Cloud Storage

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- Infinite Memory Storage
- Object Storage
- Pay for what you Need
- Files Accessible around the World
- Low Maintenance

# Understanding GCP Cloud Storage

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- Google uses buckets for storage
- Allows sharing across instances and zones
- Common Storage between on-premise and cloud



# Bucket Locations & Considerations

For data consumers, a suitable location strikes a balance between latency, availability, and bandwidth costs.

- If possible, choose the region that is convenient for your customers.
- If you need higher availability, consider using dual region.
- If the majority of your customers are geographically dispersed, use a multi-region.

Continent	Region	
North America	NORTHAMERICA-NORTHEAST1	Montreal
	US-CENTRAL1	Iowa
	US-EAST1	South Carolina
	US-EAST4	Northern Virginia
	US-WEST1	Oregon
	US-WEST2	Los Angeles
	US-WEST3	Salt Lake City
	US-WEST4	Las Vegas

# Bucket Naming Rules

- Contain only lowercase letters, numbers, dashes (-), and underscores (\_)
- Spaces are not allowed.
- Must start and end with a number or letter.
- Must contain 3-63 characters.
- Cannot be represented as an IP address in dotted-decimal notation (for example, 192.168.5.4).
- Cannot begin with the "goog" prefix.
- Cannot contain "google" or close misspellings, such as "g00gle".



The screenshot shows the Google Cloud Platform dashboard. The left sidebar lists various services: Home, Recent, Bigtable, Cloud Functions, App Engine, Filestore, Cloud Storage, Data Transfer, Bigtable, Datastore, Database Migration, Firestore, Memorystore, Spanner, and SQL. The 'Cloud Storage' item is selected and expanded, revealing three options: Browser, Monitoring, and Settings. The main content area displays a 'COMMENDATIONS' section with links to 'Google Cloud' and 'Getting Started'. On the right, there's a 'RECOMMENDATIONS' section and a 'API APIs' section showing 'Requests'.

# Creating Buckets

The screenshot shows the Google Cloud Storage browser interface. At the top, there are buttons for 'CREATE BUCKET', 'DELETE', and 'REFRESH'. Below that is a 'Filter' section with 'Name ↑' and 'Created' columns. A message states 'No rows to display'. In the center, there's a decorative graphic of a globe with colored dots (red, yellow, blue) and a star. Below the graphic, text reads 'Store and retrieve your data' and 'Get started by creating a bucket – a container where you can organize and control access to your data and files in Cloud Storage.' At the bottom are 'CREATE BUCKET' and 'TAKE QUICKSTART' buttons.