

## Applications of Parallel Computers

Cloud Computing

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## Cloud Computing, Big Data



Big data, Hardware, Software, Business

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## Data, Data, Data

“...**Storage space** must be used efficiently to store indices and, optionally, the documents themselves. The indexing system must process **hundreds of gigabytes** of data efficiently...”

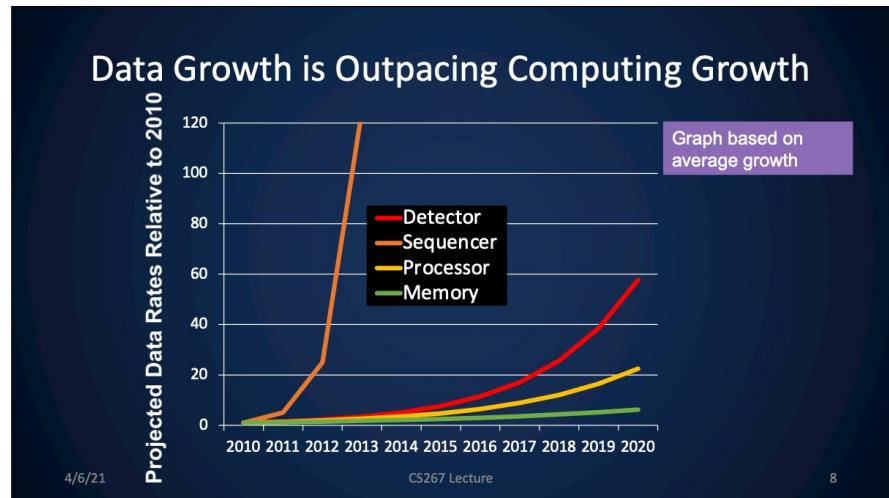
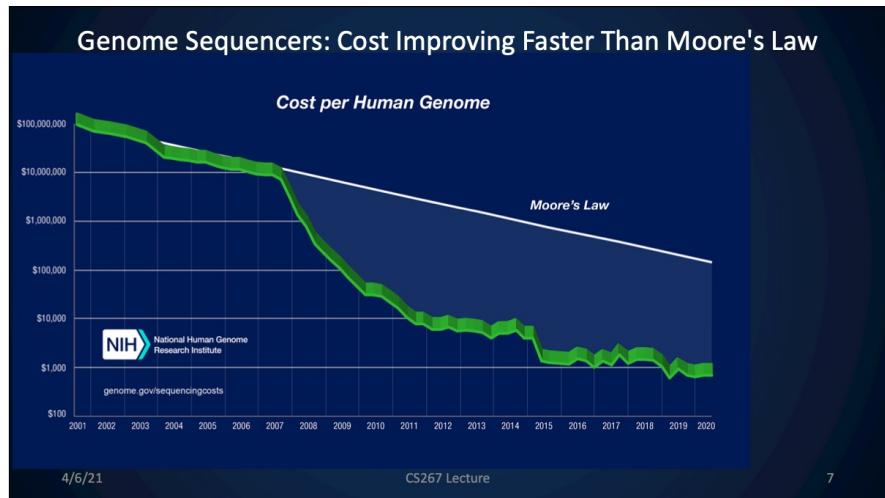
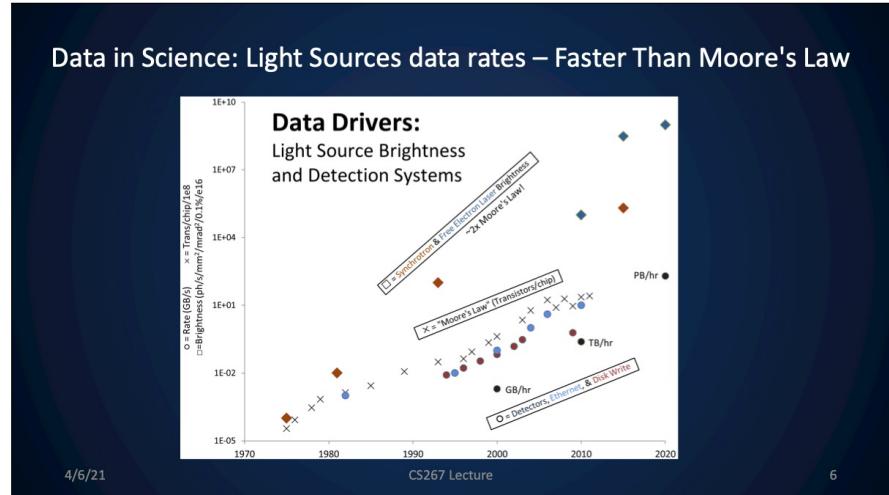
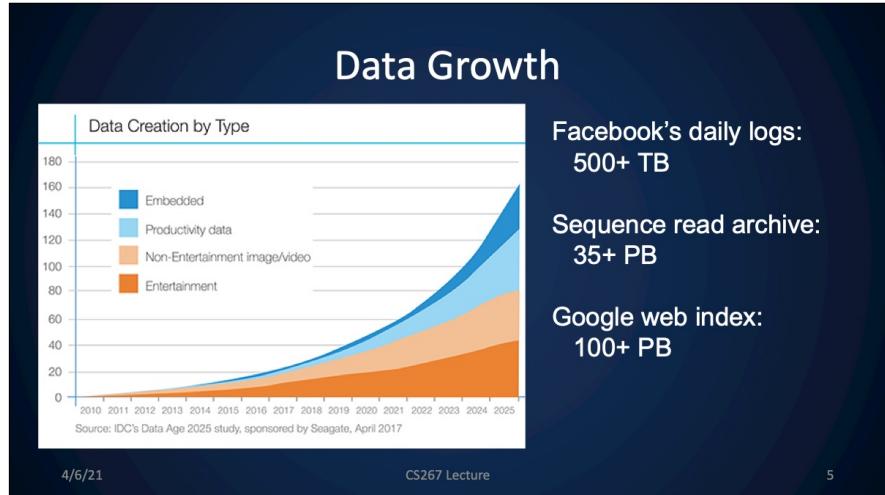
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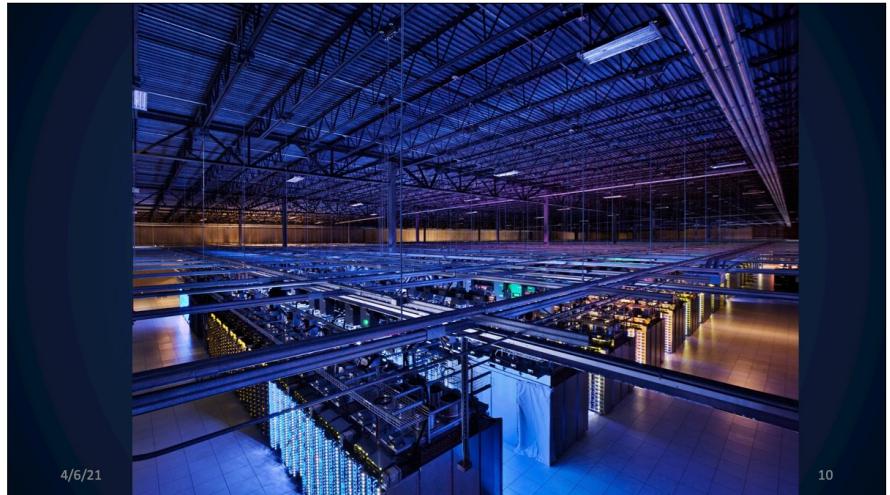
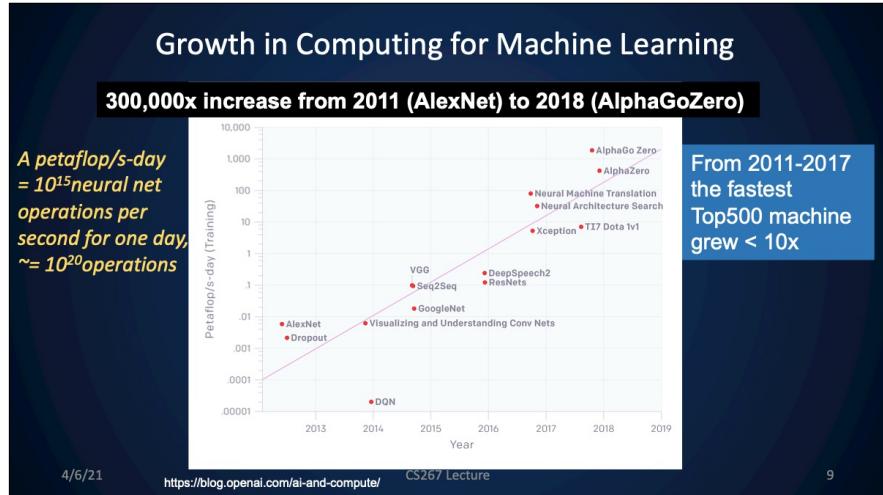
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By: Rich Miller August 7th, 2011

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- Long distance links: wild dogs, sharks, dead horses, drunken hunters, etc.

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## Data Programming Models

### “Data” Parallel Models (loosely coupled)

- Restrict the programming interface
- Automatically handle failures, locality etc.
- “Here’s an operation, run it on all of the data”
  - I don’t care **where** it runs (you schedule that)
  - In fact, feel free to run it **retry** on different nodes

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# MapReduce

## MapReduce: Simplified Data Processing on Large Clusters

Jeffrey Dean and Sanjay Ghemawat

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Google, Inc.

### Abstract

MapReduce is a programming model and an associated infrastructure for processing and generating large datasets. Programmers specify a *map* function that processes a record, or a set of records, to generate a set of intermediate key/value pairs. They also specify a *reduce* function that merges all intermediate values associated with the same intermediate key. Many interesting tasks are expressible in this model, as shown below.



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Google 2004

Build search index  
Compute  
PageRank

Hadoop: Open-source  
at Yahoo, Facebook

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# MapReduce Programming Model

Data type: Each record is (key, value)

Map function:

$$(K_{in}, V_{in}) \rightarrow list(K_{inter}, V_{inter})$$

Reduce function:

$$(K_{inter}, list(V_{inter})) \rightarrow list(K_{out}, V_{out})$$

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# Example: Word Count

```
def mapper(line):
    for word in line.split():
        output(word, 1)

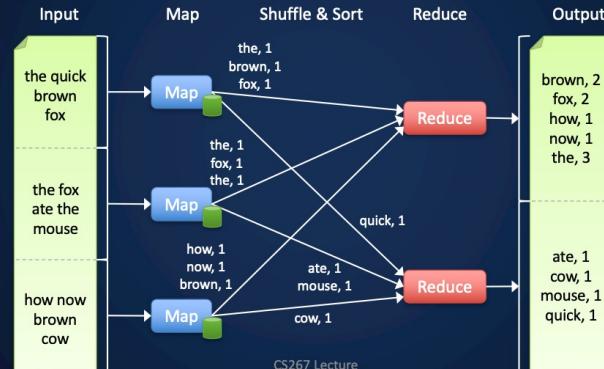
def reducer(key, values):
    output(key, sum(values))
```

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# Word Count Execution



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## Word Count Execution

Submit a Job → JobTracker  
Automatically split work  
Schedule tasks with locality



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## Fault Recovery

If a **task** crashes:

- Retry on another node
- If the same task repeatedly fails, end the job



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Requires user code to be **deterministic**

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If a **node** crashes:

- Relaunch its current tasks on other nodes
- What about task inputs ? File system replication



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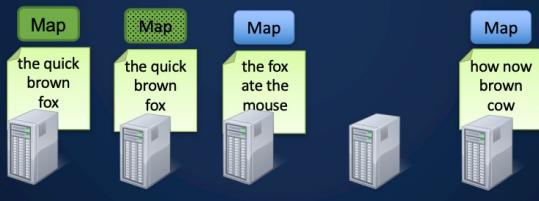
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## Fault Recovery

If a task is going **slowly** (straggler):

- Launch second copy of task on another node
- Take the output of whichever finishes first



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## When an Abstraction is Useful...

People want to compose it!



Most real applications require multiple MR steps

- Google indexing pipeline: 21 steps
- Analytics queries (e.g. sessions, top K): 2-5 steps
- Iterative algorithms (e.g. PageRank): 10's of steps

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## Programmability

Multi-step jobs create spaghetti code

- 21 MR steps → 21 mapper and reducer classes

Lots of boilerplate wrapper code per step

API doesn't provide type safety

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## Performance

MR only provides one pass of computation

- Must write out data to file system in-between

Expensive for apps that need to *reuse* data

- Multi-step algorithms (e.g. PageRank)
- Interactive data mining

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# Spark



**Programmability:** clean, functional API

- Parallel transformations on collections
- 5-10x less code than MR
- Available in Scala, Java, Python and R

**Performance**

- In-memory computing primitives
- Optimization across operators

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## Spark Programmability

```

#include "mapreduce/mapreduce.h"
int main(int argc, char** argv) {
    ParseCommandLineFlags(argc, argv);
    MapReduceSpecification spec;
    for (Int i = 1; i < argc; i++) {
        MapReduceInput* in = spec.add_input();
        in->set_format("text");
        in->set_filepattern(argv[i]);
        in->set_mapper_class("SplitWords");
    }
    // Specify the output files
    MapReduceOutput* spec.output();
    spec.set_database("tfidftest/freq");
    out->set_num_tasks(100);
    out->set_format("text");
    out->set_reducer_class("Sum");
    // Do partial sums within map
    out->set_combiner_class("Sum");
    // Tuning parameters
    spec.set_machines(2000);
    spec.set_map_megabytes(100);
    spec.set_reduce_megabytes(100);
    // Now run it
    MapReduceResult result;
    if (!MapReduce(spec, &result)) abort();
    return 0;
}

```

Google MapReduce WordCount

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## Spark Programmability

**Spark WordCount:**

```

val file = spark.textFile("hdfs://...")  

val counts = file.flatMap(line => line.split(" ")).  

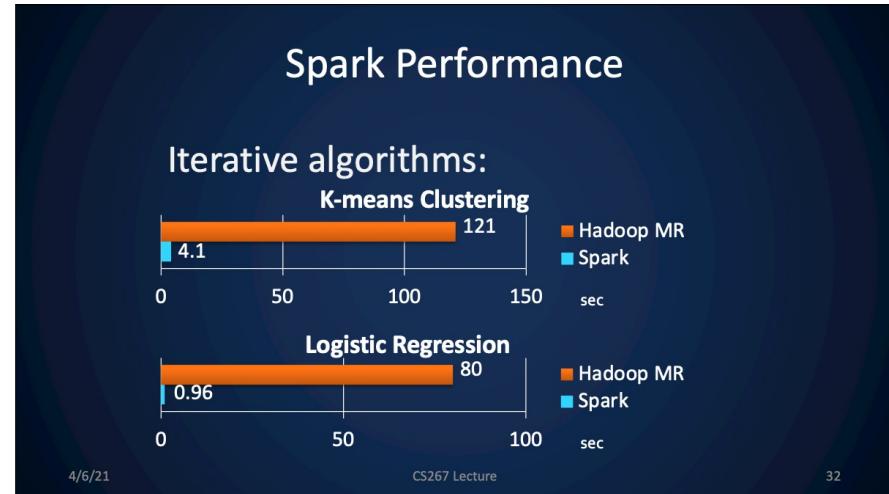
.map(word => (word, 1)).  

.reduceByKey(_ + _).  

counts.save("out.txt")

```

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## Spark Concepts

### Resilient distributed datasets (RDDs)

- Immutable, partitioned collections of objects
- May be cached in memory for fast reuse

### Operations on RDDs

- *Transformations* (build RDDs)
- *Actions* (compute results)

### Restricted shared variables

- Broadcast, accumulators

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## Example: Log Mining

Find error messages present in log files interactively  
(Example: HTTP server logs)

```
lines = spark.textFile("hdfs://...")  
errors = lines.filter(_.startsWith("ERROR"))  
messages = errors.map(_.split('\t')(2))  
messages.cache()
```



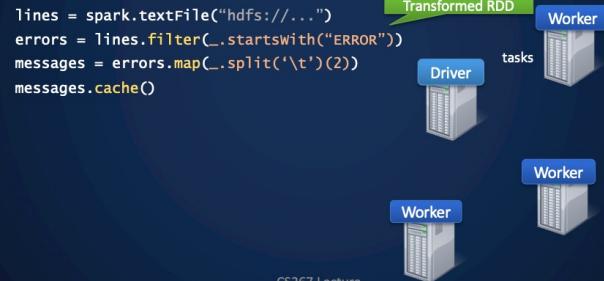
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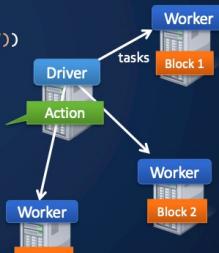
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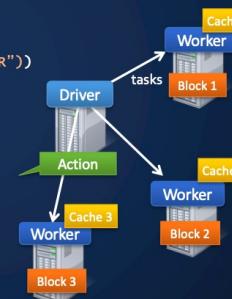
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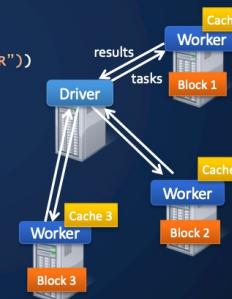
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**Result:** full-text search of Wikipedia  
in <1 sec (vs 20 sec for on-disk data)



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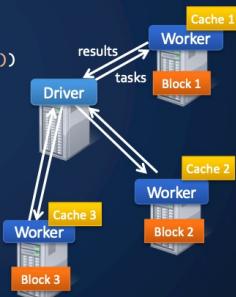
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**Result:** search 1 TB data in 5-7 sec  
(vs 170 sec for on-disk data)

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## Fault Recovery

RDDs track *lineage* information that can be used to efficiently reconstruct lost partitions

Ex:

```
messages = textFile(...).filter(_.startsWith("ERROR"))  
          .map(_.split('\t')(2))
```

```
HDFS File --> Filtered RDD --> Mapped RDD  
filter (func = _.contains(...)) map (func = _.split(...))
```

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## Pi in Java SPARK

```
List<Integer> l =  
    new ArrayList<>(NUM_SAMPLES);  
for (int i = 0; i < NUM_SAMPLES; i++) {  
    l.add(i);  
}  
long count = sc.parallelize(l).filter(i -> {  
    double x = Math.random();  
    double y = Math.random();  
    return x*x + y*y < 1; }).count();  
System.out.println("Pi is roughly " +  
    4.0 * count / NUM_SAMPLES);
```

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## Other RDD Operations

Transformations (define a new RDD)	map filter sample groupByKey reduceByKey cogroup	flatMap union join cross mapValues ...
Actions (output a result)	collect reduce take fold	count saveAsTextFile saveAsHadoopFile ...

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### Java

```
JavaRDD<String> lines = sc.textFile(...);  
lines.filter(new Function<String, Boolean>() {  
    Boolean call(String s) {  
        return s.contains("error");  
    }  
}).count();
```

### Python

```
lines = sc.textFile(...)  
lines.filter(lambda x: "error" in x).count()
```

### R

```
lines <- textFile(sc, ...)  
filter(lines, function(x) grep("error", x))
```

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## Higher-Level Abstractions

- SparkStreaming: API for streaming data
- GraphX: Graph processing model
- MLLib: Machine learning library
- SparkSQL: SQL queries, DataFrames
- TensorFlowOnSpark: Deep learning
- ...

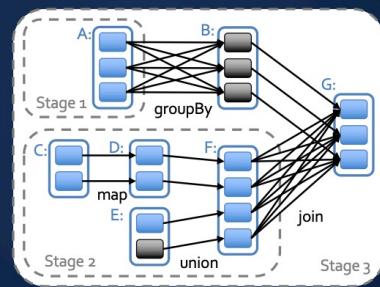
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## Job Scheduler

Captures RDD dependency graph  
Pipelines functions into “stages”  
Cache-aware for data reuse & locality  
Partitioning-aware to avoid shuffles



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## HPC vs Cloud

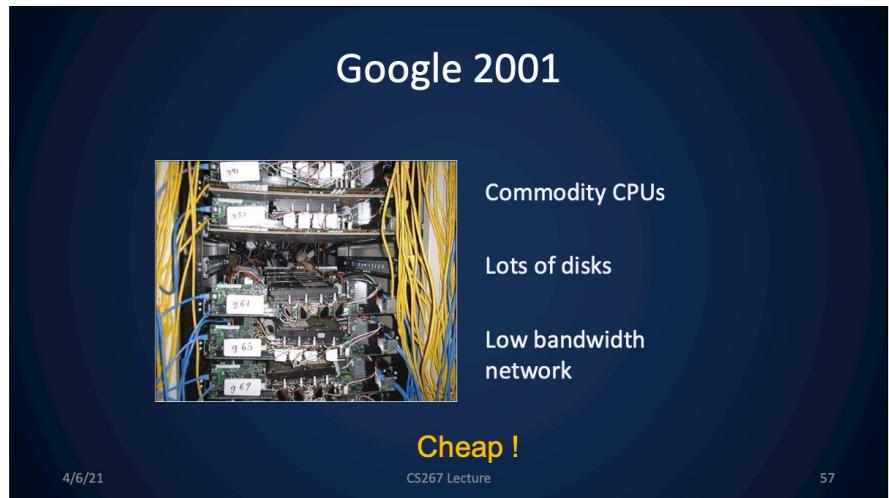
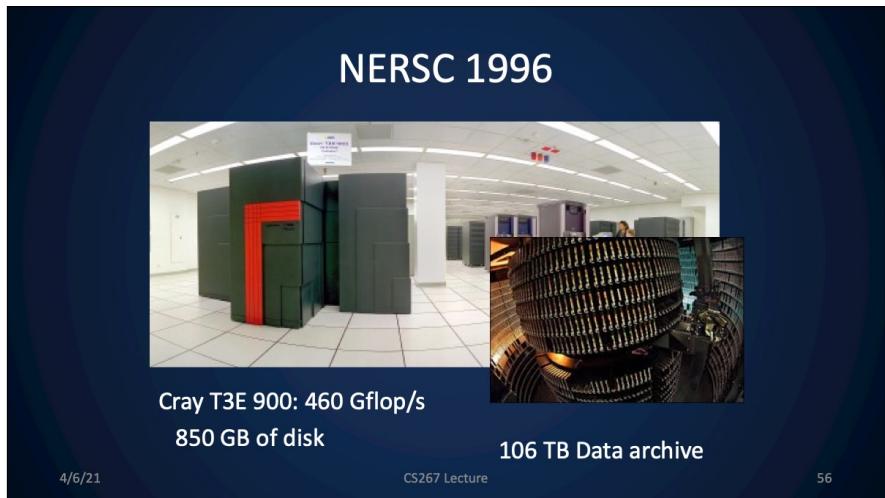
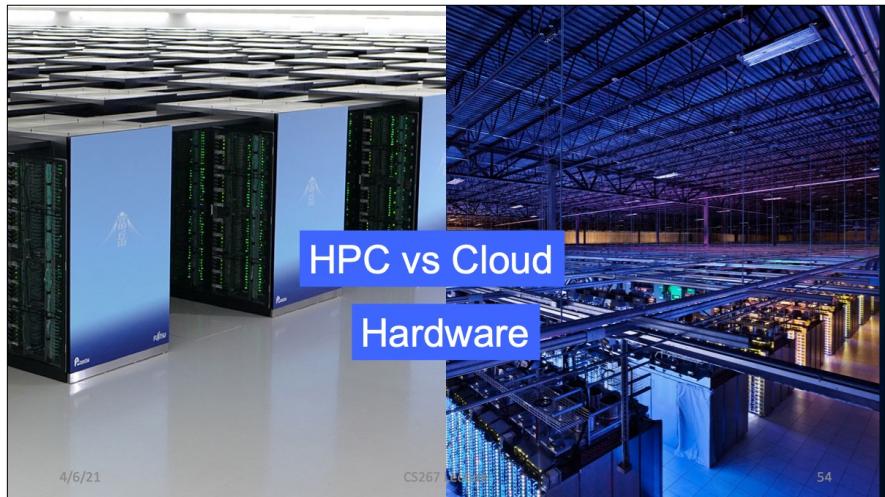


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## NERSC 2001: Seaborg



2001 5 Tflop/s 3.3 TB upgraded in 2002 to 10 Tflop/s, 6.6 TB  
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## Supercomputers Designed for Big Compute 1000 X almost every decade



CDC 6600, Megaflops

Cray 2 in 1985  
Gigaflops

ASCI Red (Intel) in  
1998  
Teraflops

IBM Roadrunner in  
2008  
Petaflops

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## Original Clouds Designed for Big Data

Capacity:

~10000 machines



Bandwidth:  
12-24 disks per node

Latency:  
256GB RAM cache

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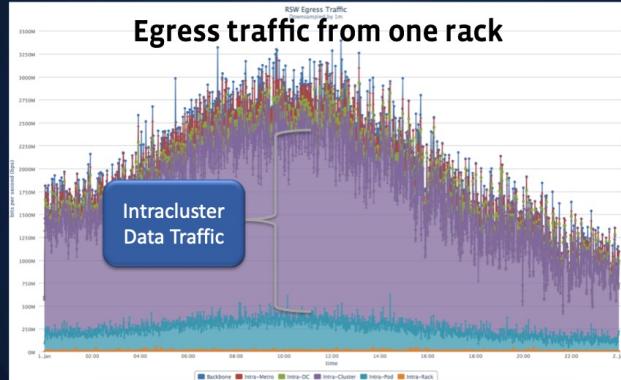
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## Majority of Facebook Traffic is Intra-Cluster

(Nathan Fowlkes, Facebook Inc., Presented at OIC2013)

### Egress traffic from one rack



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## Datacenter Networking

Initially tree topology  
Over subscribed links



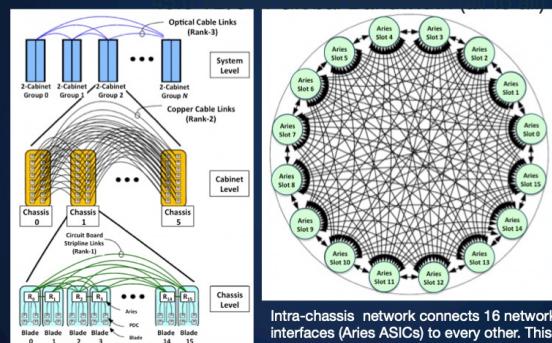
Fat tree, Bcube, VL2 etc.  
Lots of research to get full bisection bandwidth

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## Cori's Cray Aries Interconnect



Intra-chassis network connects 16 network interfaces (Aries ASICs) to every other. This is done through the backplane and requires no cables.

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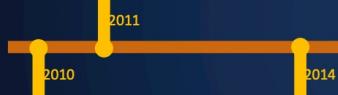
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## But How's the Situation Today?

In the literature of the last 10 years, there have been several efforts to measure the performance of scientific applications in the cloud:

The Magellan report concluded that high latency network, virtualization overhead, performance variability and lack of batch scheduling are the main bottleneck

Netto et al. surveyed the contemporary literature and concluded that the lack of low-latency network is the main challenge for the cloud



He et al. concluded that the high latency network is the main bottleneck and that virtualization has no significant overhead

Gupta et al. also concluded that the high latency network, virtualization overhead and performance variability are the main bottleneck

A key take away is that the lack of a low-latency network has prevented the cloud from achieving competitive performance on a broad scale and this has not changed in 8 years between 2010 and 2018

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## Experimental Setting

To carry out our study we used four machines: Compare performance at modest scale

Platform	Age	Core/P	Fr (GHz)	Processor	Memory (GiB)	Network (Gbps)	L1	L2	L3
HPC	Cori Haswell	4	32	2.3	Xeon E5-2698V3	120	82	64 KB	256 KB 40 MB
Cloud	Cori KNL	4	68	1.4	Xeon Phi 7250	90	82	64 KB	1 MB -
	AWS r5dn.16xlarge (R5)	1	32	2.5	Xeon Platinum 8259CL	512	75	64 KB	1 MB 36MB
	AWS c5.18xlarge (C5)	1	36	3.0	Xeon Platinum 8124M <sup>1</sup>	144	25	64 KB	1 MB 25MB

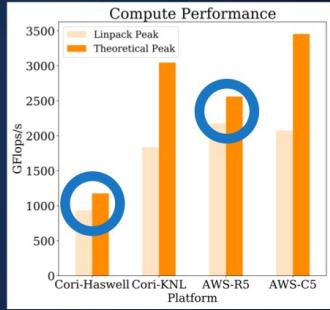
- AWS ParallelCluster to set up the cluster
- AWS instances run as dedicated instances
- AWS instances placed in the same placement group
- Cori has the Cray Aries "Dragonfly" topology for its interconnect
- C5 instances use Amazon in-house Elastic Fabric Adapter (EFA) as network interface
- High-end instances, i.e. expensive instances

<sup>1</sup> Custom model for Amazon AWS

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## A Hardware and System View Processor: LINPACK benchmark

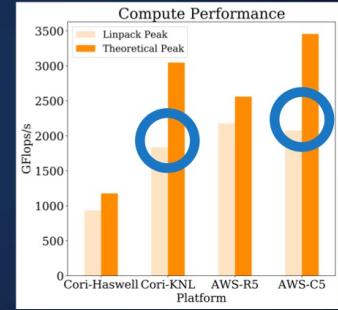
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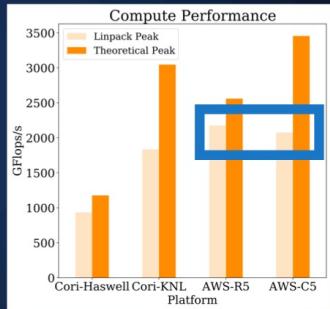


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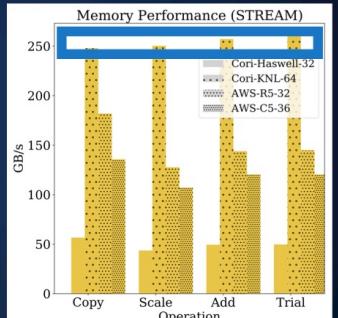
Take away: Cloud's faster procurement cycles —thus the newer hardware —may explain the greater processing power



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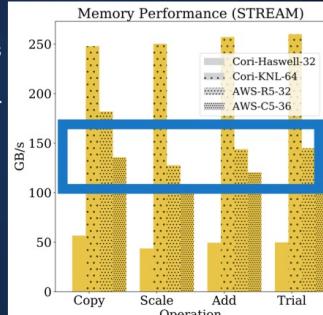


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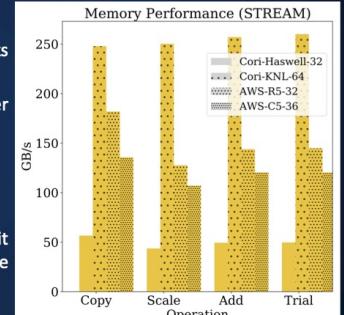
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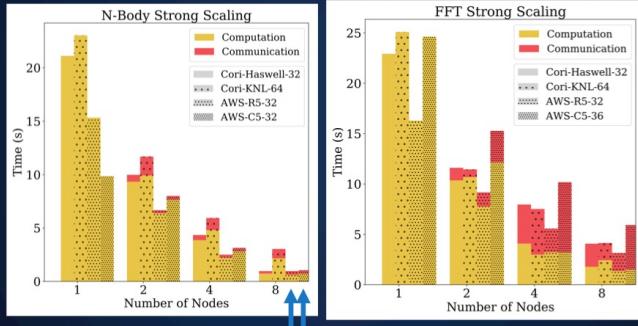
Take away: A faster hardware turnaround could benefit both compute-intensive workload and data-intensive ones



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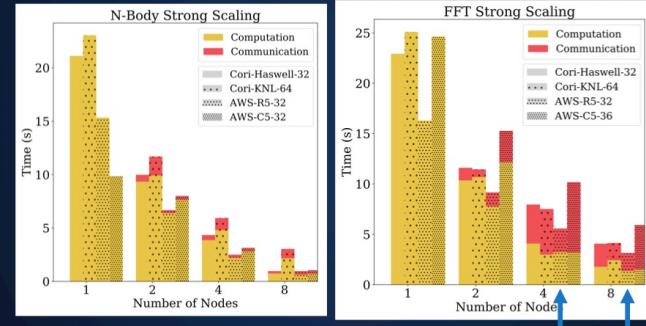
### Parallel Performance



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## A User Application View

### Parallel Performance



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## From Mid 2006

Rent virtual computers in the “Cloud”

On-demand machines, spot pricing



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## Demand and Spot Pricing

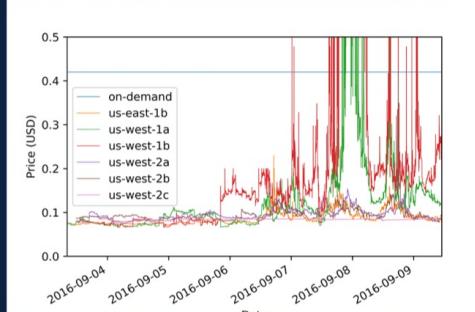


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## Amazon EC2 (2014)

Machine	Memory (GB)	Compute Units (ECU)	Local Storage (GB)	Cost / hour
t1.micro	0.615	1	0	\$0.02
m1.xlarge	15	8	1680	\$0.48
cc2.8xlarge	60.5	88 (Xeon 2670)	3360	\$2.40

1 ECU = CPU capacity of a 1.0-1.2 GHz 2007 Opteron or 2007 Xeon processor

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## Amazon EC2 (2018)

Machine	Memory (GB)	Compute Units (ECU)	Local Storage (GB)	Cost / hour
t2.nano	0.5	1	0	\$0.006
r3.8xlarge	244	104 (32 Ivy Bridge)	640 (SSD)	\$2.66 <b>\$2.37</b>
x1.32xlarge	2 TB	4 * Xeon E7	3.8 TB (SSD)	\$13.338
p2.16xlarge	732 GB	16 Nvidia K80 GPUs	0	\$14.40

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## Hopper vs. Datacenter

	Hopper	Datacenter <sup>2</sup>
Nodes	6384	1000s to 10000s
CPUs (per node)	2x12 cores	~2x6 cores
Memory (per node)	32-64GB	~48-128GB
Storage (overall)	~4 PB	120-480 PB
Interconnect	~ 66.4 Gbps	~10Gbps

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<sup>2</sup><http://blog.cloudera.com/blog/2013/08/how-to-select-the-right-hardware-for-your-new-hadoop-cluster/>

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## Hopper Cori Phase 1 vs. Datacenter

	Hopper-Cori Phase 1	Datacenter <sup>2</sup>
Nodes	6384-2399	1000s to 10000s
CPUs (per node)	2x12 2x16 cores 1.2 Tf/s	~2x6 cores
Memory (per node)	32-64GB 128 GB	~48-128GB
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## Cori: Intel Xeon Phi

Many Core  
Integrated Architecture

60 cores per node  
(68 in Cori)

Vector Processing



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## Hopper Cori Phase 2 vs. Datacenter

	Hopper Cori KNL	Datacenter <sup>2</sup>
Nodes	<b>6384-2388 9688</b>	1000s to 10000s
CPUs (per node)	<b>2x12 1x68 cores 1.2 Tf/s-3 Tf/s</b>	~2x6 cores
Memory (per node)	<b>32-64128 96 GB</b>	<b>~48-128GB</b>
Storage (overall)	<b>~4 PB-~30PB +1.8 PB SSD</b>	<b>120-480 PB</b>
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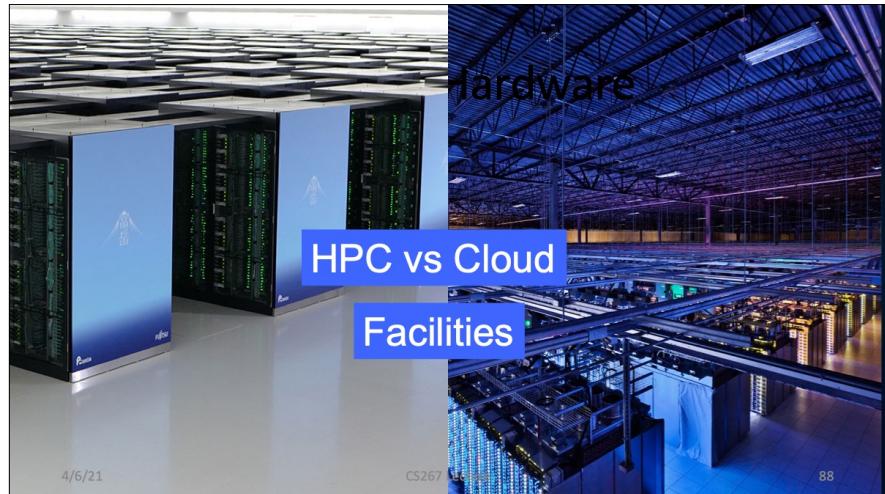
## Summit (#1 machine) System Overview

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System Performance	Each node has	The system includes
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Peak performance of 200 petaflops for modeling &amp; simulation</li> <li>Peak of 3.3 ExaOps for data analytics and artificial intelligence</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2 IBM POWER9 processors</li> <li>6 NVIDIA Tesla V100 GPUs</li> <li>608 GB of fast memory</li> <li>1.6 TB of NVMe memory</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4608 nodes</li> <li>Dual-rail Mellanox EDR InfiniBand network</li> <li>250 PB IBM Spectrum Scale file system transferring data at 2.5 TB/s</li> </ul>



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## Datacenter Design

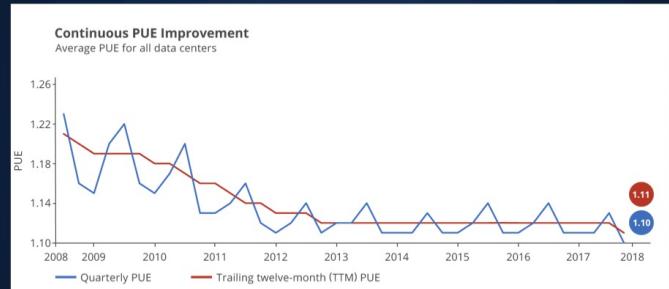
### Goals

- Economies of scale
- Power usage effectiveness (PUE)
- Cost-efficiency
- Custom machine design

 Energy Efficiency in Data Centers (at LBNL)

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## Energy Efficiency



Data center average about 1.7, NERSC also under 1.1

<https://www.google.com/about/datacenters/efficiency/internal/>

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## Supercomputing Center Evolution



### NERSC Center in Berkeley

- 27K sf of compute center space
- ~250 people in building
- 12.5 MW today
- Upgrading to 25MW

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## Datacenter Evolution



Google data centers in The Dalles, Oregon

- 200K SF + 164K sf in (3 buildings total)
- \$1.2 B investment in site
- 175 people employed on site
- 70 Megawatts (when it was 200K SF)

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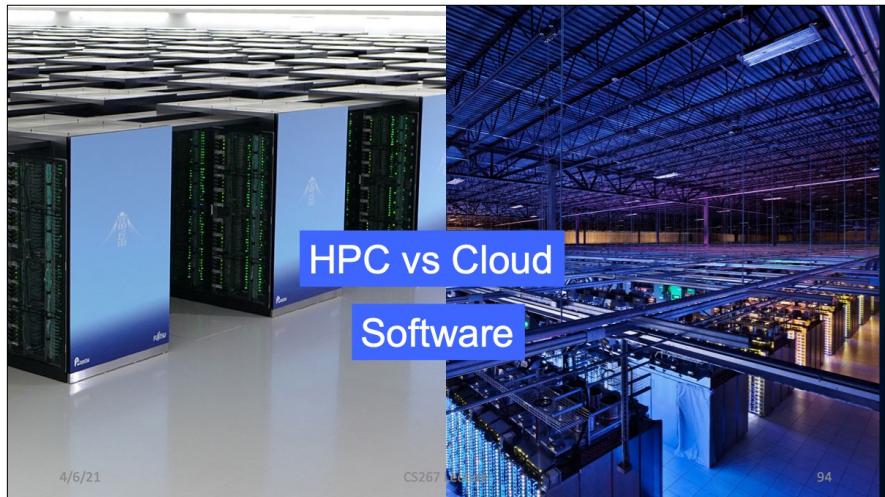
## Google in the Netherlands: 30MW Solar Farm



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## Scientific Computing on Spark

**Computation**

- Efficient native operations using JNI
- Use BLAS / OpenMP per-node

**Communication**

- Limited programming model
- Shuffle could add latency, bandwidth

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## HPC: Programming Models

**Message Passing Models (MPI)**

- Fine-grained messages + computation
- Hard to deal with disk locality, failures, stragglers
- 1 server fails every 3 years → 10K nodes see 10 faults/day
- Exascale research: Fault Tolerant MPI (FTMPI)
- Checkpointing-based techniques

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## Data Programming Models

### “Data” Parallel Models (loosely coupled)

- Restrict the programming interface
- Automatically handle failures, locality etc.
- “Here’s an operation, run it on all of the data”
  - I don’t care *where* it runs (you schedule that)
  - In fact, feel free to run it *retry* on different nodes

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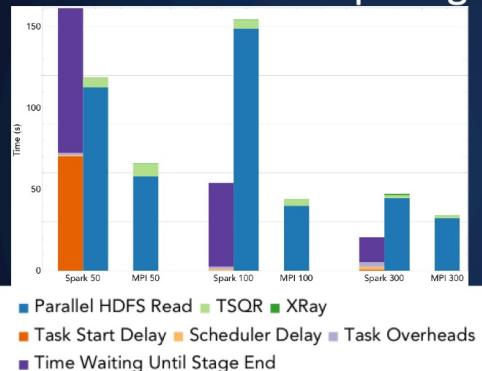
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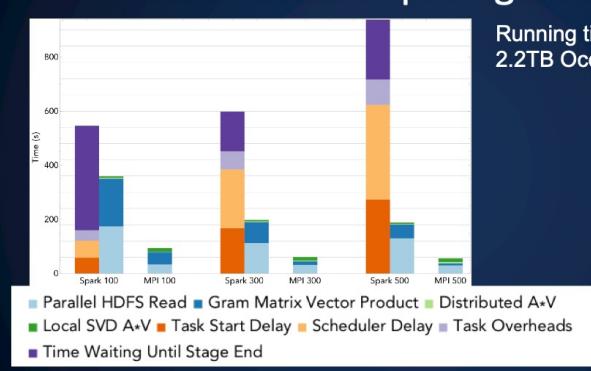


Time for rank 10 approximation using NMF on the 1.6TB Daya Bay matrix

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Running time for PCA on the 2.2TB Ocean matrix on Cori

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## Scientific Computing on Spark

### Large Scale Machine Learning (AMPLab, Aspire)

- KeystoneML: Framework for ML
- Improved Algorithms

### Spark on HPC systems (NERSC, Cray, AMPLab)

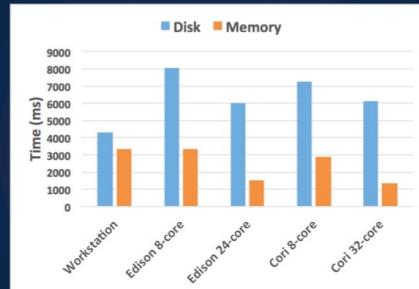
- Real world applications
- Profiling, hardware customizations

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## Supercomputer Node 2x Slower Than Workstation



I/O is the problem:

Supercomputer matches workstation when data is cached

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Spark SQL  
Big Data  
Benchmark

## Summary of Traditional Differences (both are changing)

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