

# Distributed Computing with Spark for Actionable Business Insights!

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# Who I am



- Stephan Kessler
- SAP HANA Vora Team, Walldorf, Germany
- Integrating SAP engines into Apache Spark since almost two years
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Spark Summit as a speaker

# Today's talk



On average, between **60% and 73%** of all data within an enterprise goes unused for business intelligence (BI) and analytics.

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The Forrester Wave™: Big Data Hadoop Distributions, Q1 2016," January 19, 2016 by Mike Gualtieri and Noel Yuhanna

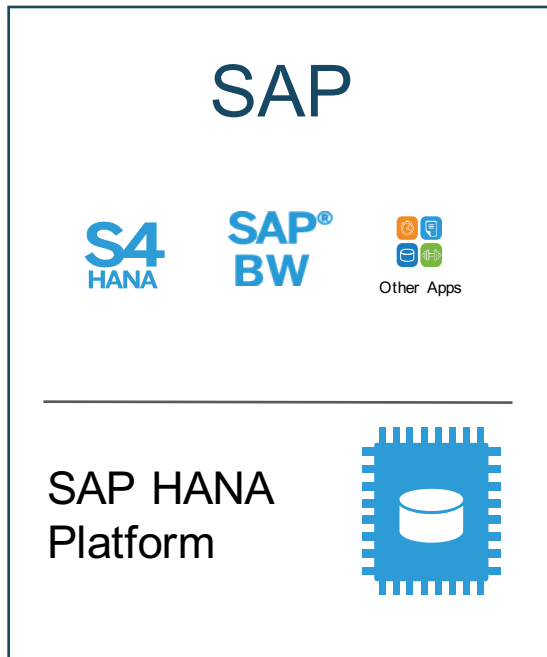


Skills gaps continue to be a major adoption inhibitor for **57%** of respondents, while deciding how to get value from Hadoop was cited by **49%** of respondents.

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Gartner: "Survey Analysis: Hadoop Adoption Drivers and Challenges," May 12, 2015 by Nick Heudecker and Merv Adrian

# Current System Landscape



# What is missing?

- Business application perspective:
  - Access to Big Data Landscape in a standardized way
  - Similar SQL expressiveness
- Big Data / Data Science perspective:
  - Access to specialized engines to perform analysis close to the data
  - Integration of 'business engines' into Spark

# SAP Hana Vora



# SAP Hana Vora – 10k ft POV



Data Science, Predictive, Business Intelligence, Visualization Apps

## SAP HANA Vora

Data Modeler



OLAP



Time Series



Graph



Doc Store

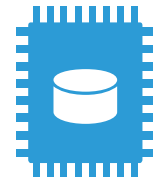
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Distributed Transaction Log



## ERP Systems

SAP HANA  
Platform



## Spark



# Goals

- Make data and functionality available in enterprise applications as well as Spark applications
- Allow an easy consumption, i.e., allow users to write SQL for computation jobs



# Agenda

- Business functionality integration in Spark
- Utilizing different data sources in Spark
- HANA Vora 1.3
- Summary & Outlook



# Focus on Spark User POV



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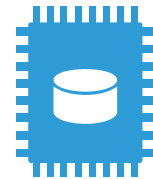
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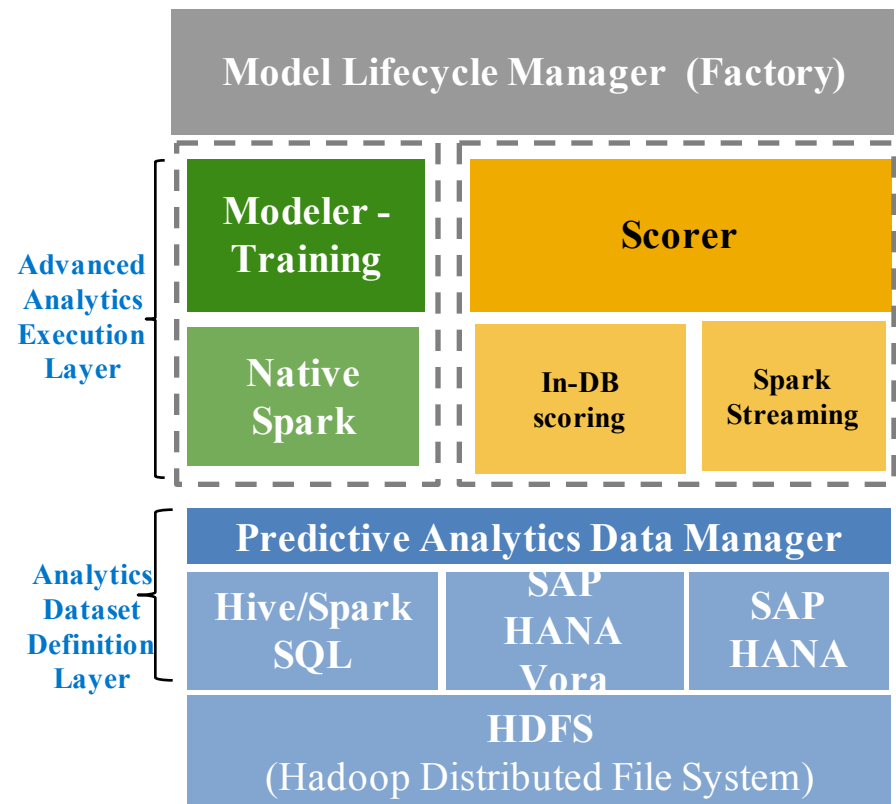
# Business Functionality in Spark

- Questions answered in Spark:
  - What is the sentiment of users for product XYZ?
  - When will a certain part of this machinery fail?
- You might also want to know...
  - What is the sales volume for XYZ?
  - How much did this part cost?

# Example: SAP Predictive Analytics and SAP HANA Vora

1. Business Analyst friendly – No coding or in-depth Big Data expertise required
  2. Support for end-to-end operationalisation of predictive models on Hadoop
    - Data preparation of Analytical Dataset for modelling
    - Native Spark Modelling – Ultra wide datasets
    - Scoring using In Database Apply or Spark Stream API
- **Usage of different sources (Vora, Hana, Spark, ...)**

<http://go.sap.com/solution/platform-technology/analytics/predictive-analytics.html>



# Business Functionality in Spark

- Important typical ERP function
  - Currency Conversion (i.e., EUR → GBP)
  - Done via SQL UDF
- Required to analyze enterprise data in Spark

# Currency Conversion

TID	USERID	CURRENCY	AMOUNT	ORDERDATE
100	User1	USD	120.10	2014-12-15
101	User1	USD	24.99	2015-01-01
102	User5	EUR	24.11	2015-01-02
103	User3	DBP	542.00	2015-01-02

- Single currency makes transactions comparable
- Conversion not trivial: rates change over time

# Currency Conversion

- Introducing an UDF implemented in Spark

```
CC( AMOUNT Double,  
    SOURCE_CURRENCY String,  
    TARGET_CURRENCY String,  
    REF_DATE String )
```

- Converting everything in USD

```
SELECT TID, USERID, ORDERDATE,  
       CC( AMOUNT, CURRENCY, "USD", ORDERDATE )  
FROM ORDERS
```

# Currency Conversion

- Conversion backed by a 'rates' table

SOURCE_CUR	TARGET_CUR	REF_DATE	RATE
EUR	USD	2015-01-01	1.32113
EURO	USD	2015-01-02	1.30121
USD	GBP	2015-01-01	0.68960

- Calculation simple, maintenance difficult
- Rates maintained in ERP system
  - Couldn't we use that?



# Specialized Engine: Time Series

- HANA Vora Time Series Engine in a nutshell:
  - Effective Model-Based Compression
  - Multi-representation storage for time series
- Optimized usage for IOT applications
  - Fast injections paths
  - Long running processes in a cluster

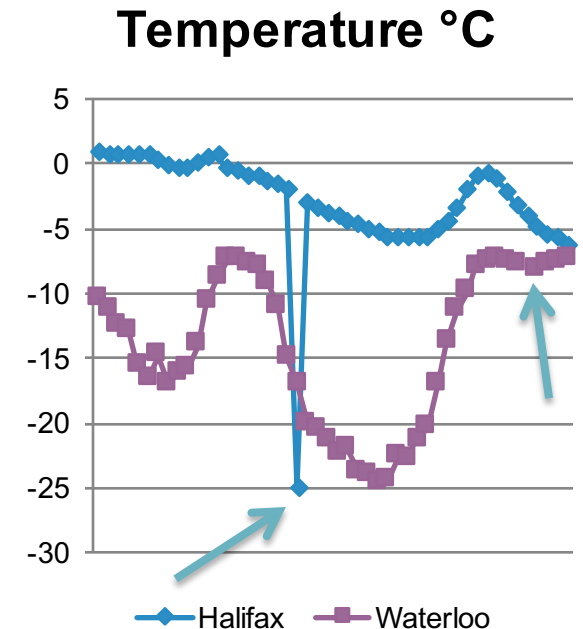


# Specialized Engine: Time Series

- Query Language: SQL Dialect
- How to use that in Spark?

```
SELECT STDDEV(val1)
FROM SERIES ts
BETWEEN "2000-01-01", "2001-12-31"

SELECT TREND(val1) OVER (SERIES)
FROM SERIES ts
BETWEEN "2000-01-01", "2001-12-31"
```



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# What we have seen so far

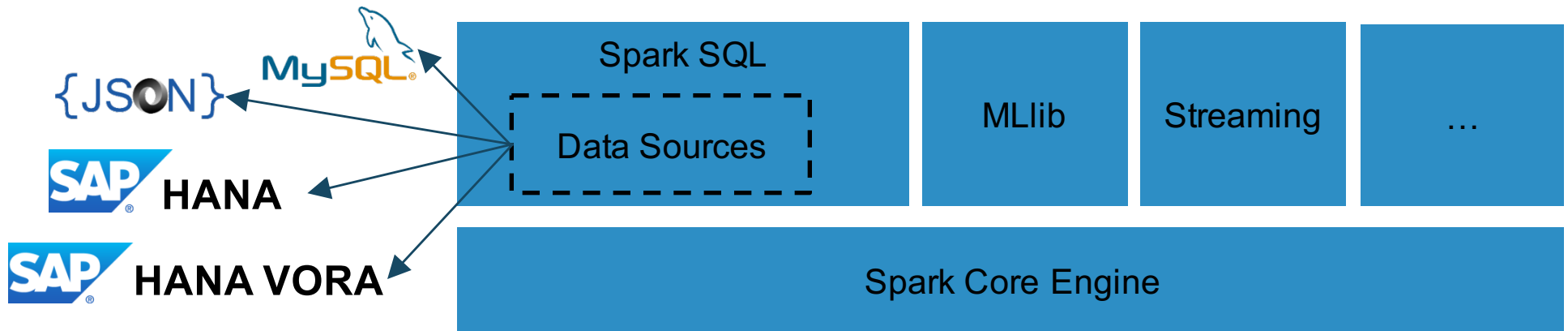
- Currency Conversion:
  - Implementation in Spark SQL
  - Computation could be deferred
- Time Series Engine:
  - Special query language
  - .. but no implementation in Spark

→ “The pushdown of everything”

→ Raw SQL

# The Pushdown of Everything

- Spark datasource API



- Limited to *Filters* and *Projects*

# Vora Extension to Datasource API

- Datasource indicates its processing capabilities
- Arbitrary parts of logical plan can be computed where the data is
- Details in Spark Summit Europe Talk 2015
  - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QNaf2Z8l8lY>
  - *“The Pushdown of Everything”*

# Vora Extension to Datasource API

- Consider this query

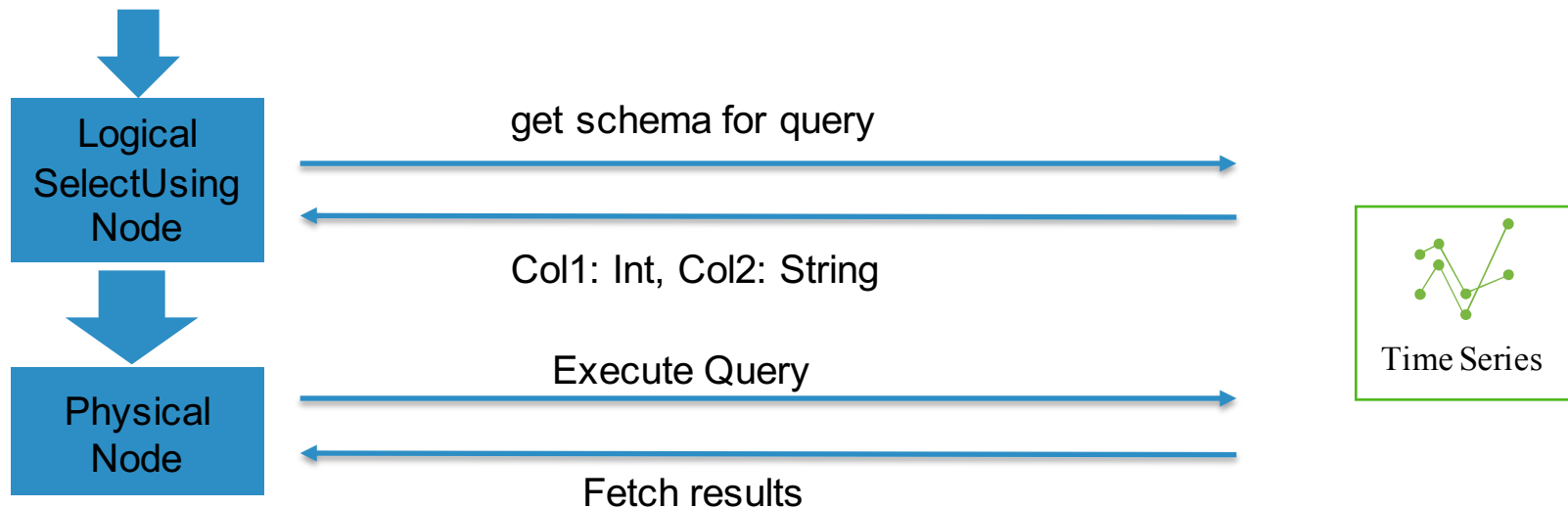
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SELECT ORDERDATE,  
       AVG(CC( AMOUNT, CURRENCY, "USD", ORDERDATE ))  
FROM ORDERS  
GROUP BY ORDERDATE
```

- Pushing down filters and projects: *SCAN on orders*
- Pushing down arbitrary parts returns:
  - One row per orderdate
  - Converted currency

# Raw SQL Extension

- Query Syntax on SparkSQL not supported but in the datasource → Raw SQL

```
``select trend(val1) from ts ...`` using com.sap.spark.engines
```





# Pushdown & Raw SQL

- Both extensions allow to incorporate other data sources extensively
- Computation happens where the data is
- Integration is mostly seamless for Spark developer
- Interfaces are open source:
  - <https://github.com/SAP/HANAVora-Extensions>

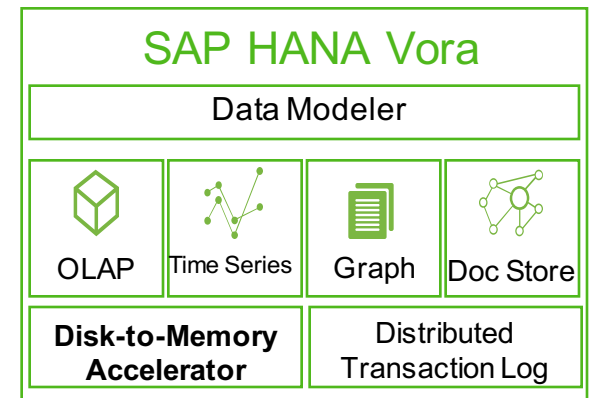
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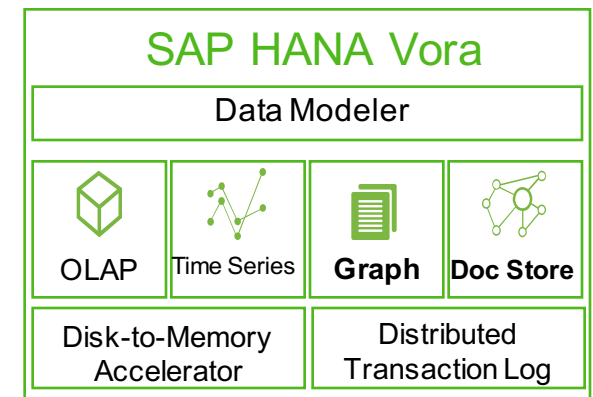
# HANA Vora 1.3 - Relational

- Relational Engines in memory and disk
- In-memory
  - Query compilation
  - Columnar data layout
- Disk based
  - Indices for fast data access



# HANA Vora 1.3 – Graph & Doc Store

- Graph:
  - In-memory and distributed
  - SQL-Like interface for graph analysis
  - Combination of Graph patterns with relational operators
- Doc Store
  - Stored semi structured JSON
  - Compresses in-memory representation
  - Compiled queries with NUMA awareness



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# Summary and Outlook

- Vora allows to combine all data source in an enterprise environment
  - Across different query languages
  - While moving computation close to the data
- Business Insights are driven by all the available data in the enterprise
- Integration into SQL makes it easily consumable

# THANK YOU.

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# BACKUP



# HANA Vora 1.3

- Project started 2013 by HANA Research Teams
- Shared concepts and libraries with HANA but independently developed
- Concepts
  - In memory
  - Distributed engines
  - Low memory footprint

SAP HANA  
Vora



# SAP Predictive Analytics: Optimised for Big Data

- ✓ Native (scala code) Spark approach goes deeper than SQL
- ✓ Performance and Scalability with **Ultra wide datasets**
- ✓ Processing close to the data distributed across the cluster
- ✓ No data transfer

