Big Data Hadoop and Spark Developer



HDFS: The Storage Layer



Learning Objectives

By the end of this lesson, you will be able to:

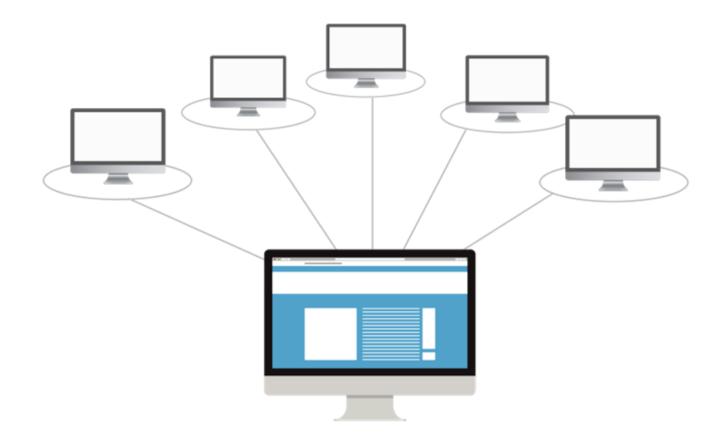
- Summarize how the Hadoop Distributed File System (HDFS) stores data across a cluster
- Illustrate the HDFS architecture and its components
- Demonstrate the use of the HDFS Command Line Interface (CLI)



Hadoop Distributed File System (HDFS)

What Is HDFS?

HDFS is a distributed file system that provides access to data across Hadoop clusters.



It manages and supports the analyses of large volumes of big data.

Challenges of Traditional Systems

In the traditional system, storing and retrieving volumes of data had three major issues:





\$10,000 to \$14,000 per terabyte

Speed



Search and analysis is time-consuming

Reliability



Fetching data is difficult

Need for HDFS

HDFS resolves all the three major issues of the traditional file system.

Cost

Has zero licensing and support costs







Reliability

Copies data multiple times

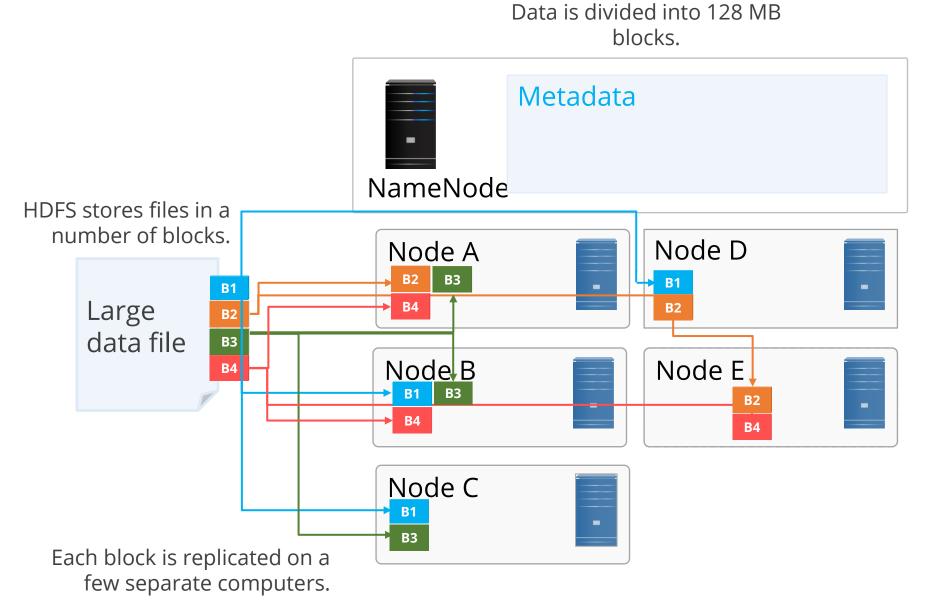


Speed

Reads or writes more than one terabyte of data per second

HDFS Storage

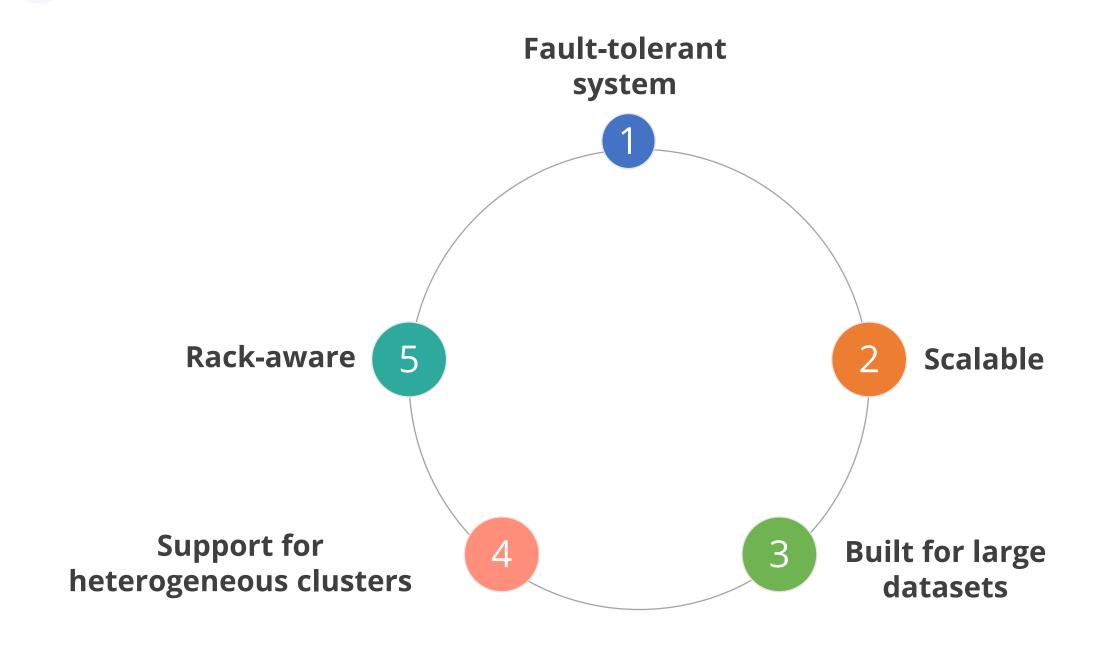
HDFS is a distributed file system that uses NameNode and DataNode architectures to allow high-performance data access across highly scalable Hadoop clusters.



Metadata keeps the information about the block and its replication.

It is stored in the NameNode.

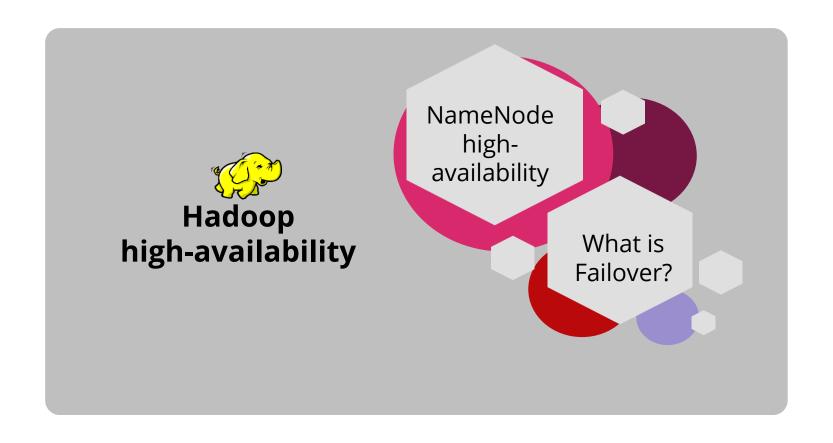
Characteristics of HDFS



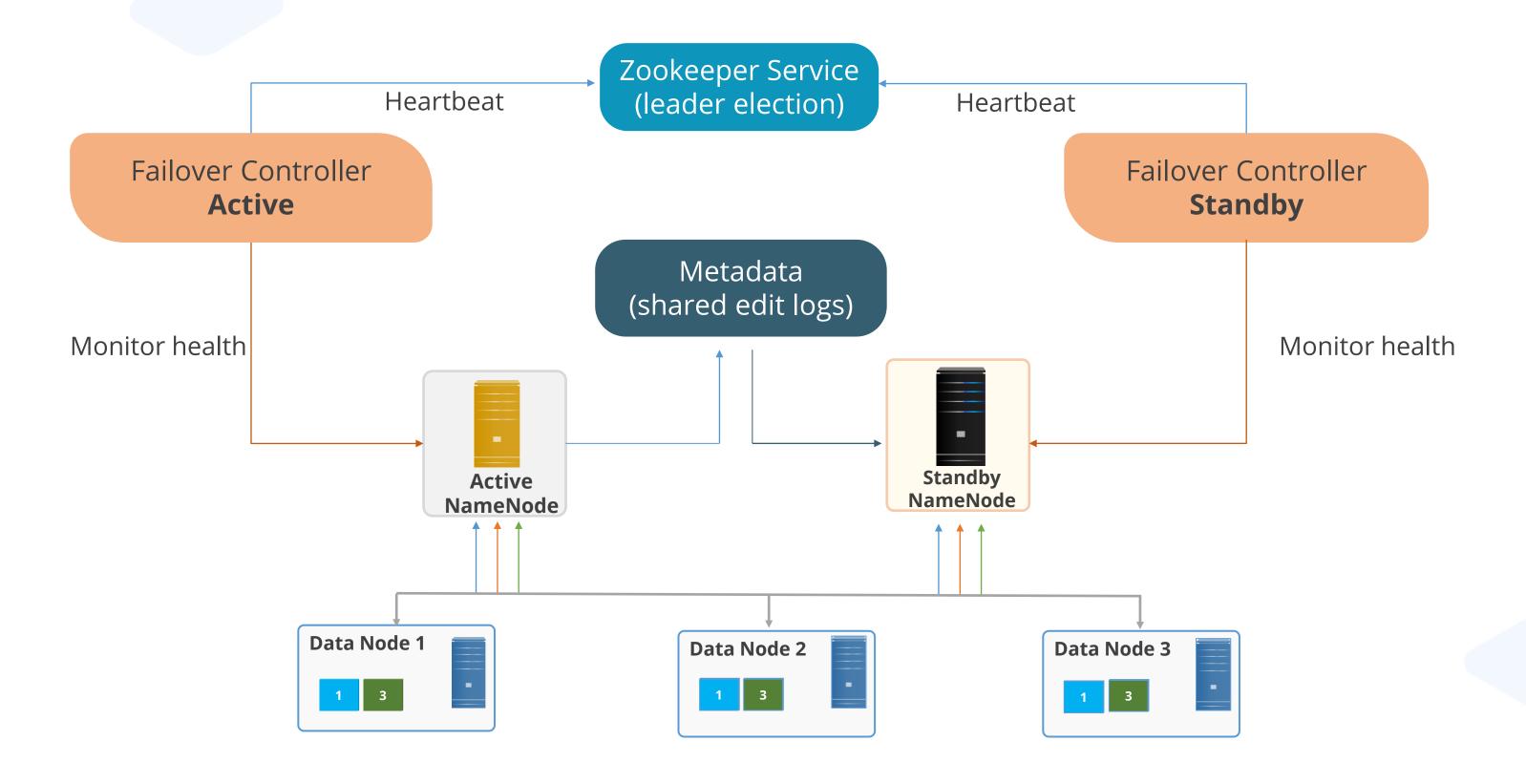
HDFS Architecture and Components

HDFS High-Availability Architecture

Hadoop's high-availability functionality ensures that the Hadoop cluster remains operational despite unfavorable conditions, such as NameNode failure, DataNode failure, or computer crashes. It indicates that the data will be available through a standby NameNode when the NameNode fails.



HDFS High-Availability Architecture

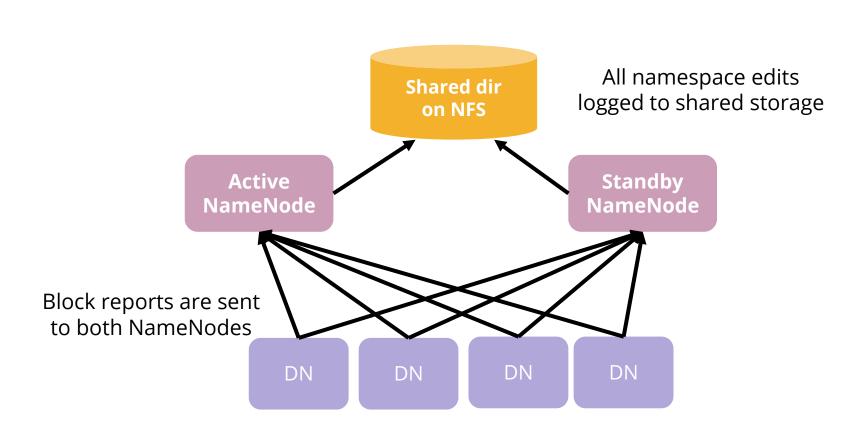


Types of HDFS Architectures

There are two types of HDFS high-availability architectures:

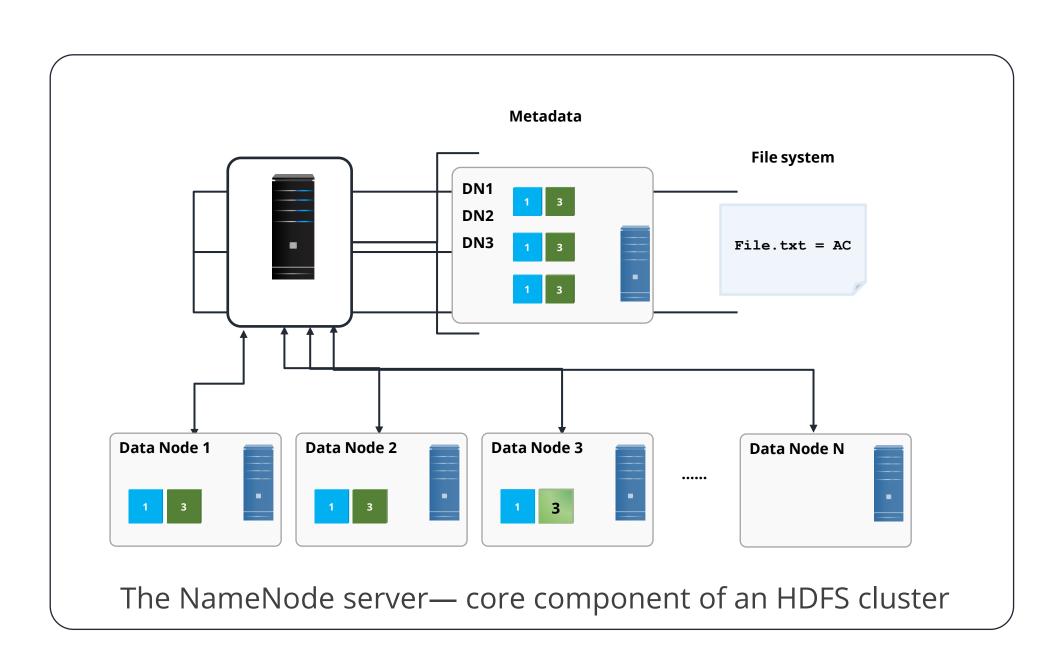
Quorum-based storage Active Standby NameNode NameNode Quorum Quorum Journal Journal Manager Manager **JournalNode JournalNode JournalNode** DD DD DD

Shared storage using NFS



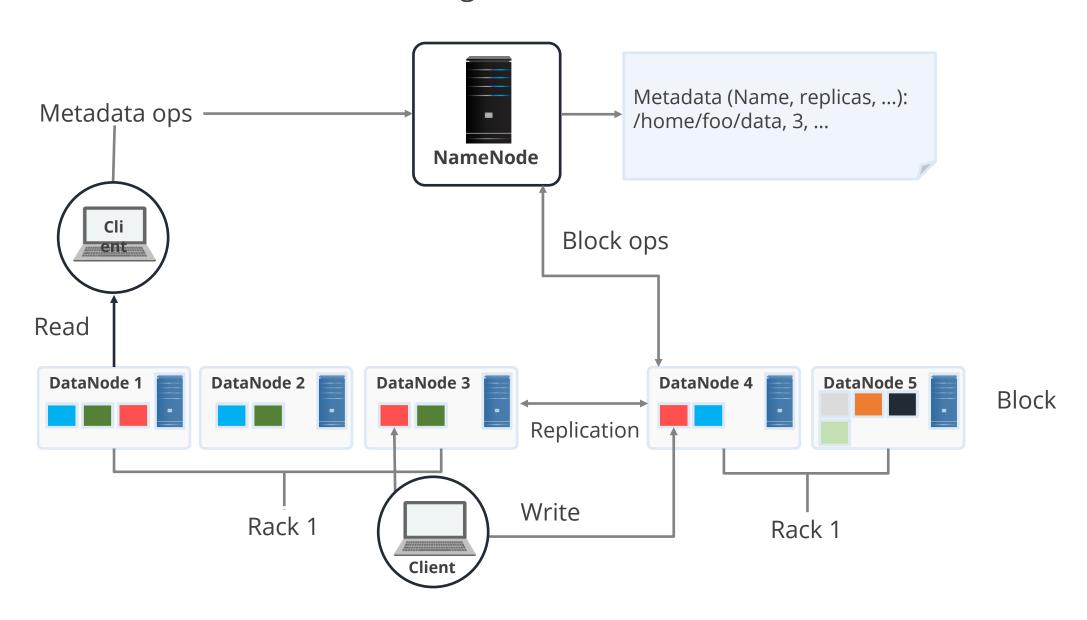
HDFS Component: NameNode

The HDFS components comprise different servers like NameNode, DataNode, and Secondary NameNode.



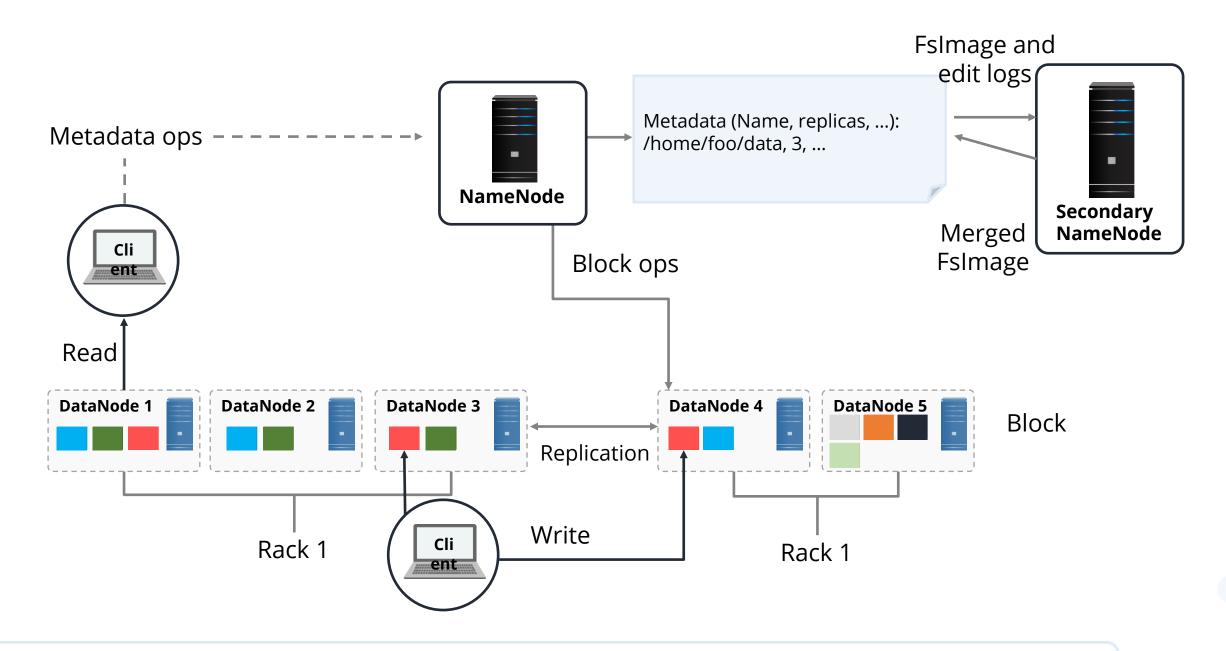
HDFS Component: DataNode

The DataNode is a multiple instance server. DataNode servers are responsible for storing and maintaining the data blocks.



HDFS Component: SNN

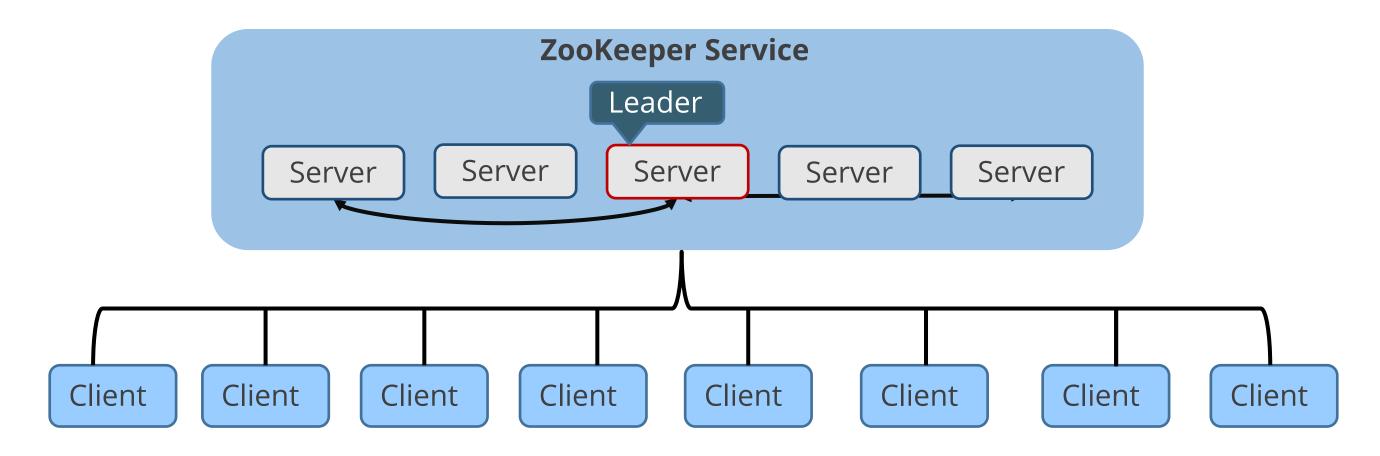
In the event of data loss or any disaster, NameNode acts as a backup node.



It takes hourly snapshots of data stored by an active NameNode and stores it in FsImage.

HDFS Component: ZooKeeper

ZooKeeper allows distributed processes to coordinate with each other through a shared hierarchical namespace.



The ZooKeeper implementation is simple and replicated, which puts a premium on high performance, high availability, and a strictly ordered access.

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Automatic HDFS Failover relies on ZooKeeper for the following:

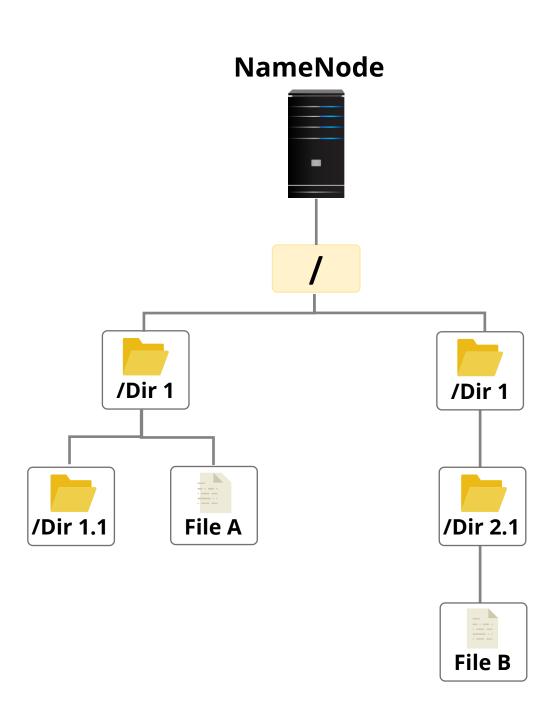






Active NameNode election

HDFS Component: File System Namespace

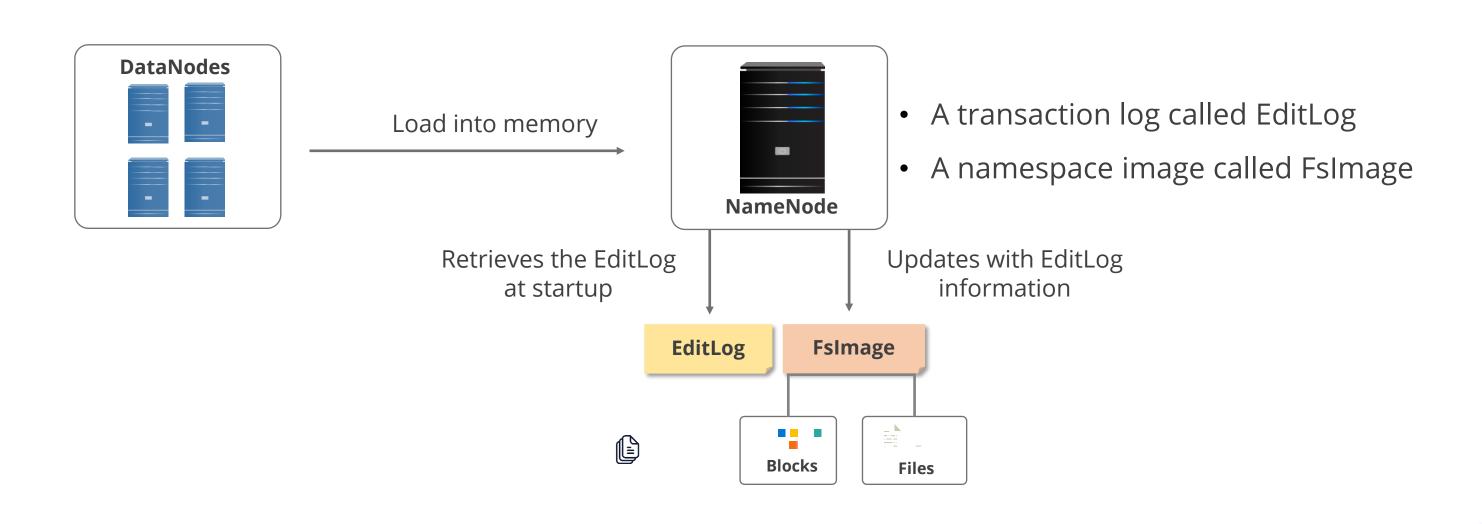


The HDFS file system:

- Allows user data to be stored in files
- Follows a hierarchical file system with directories and files
- Supports operations like create, remove, move, and rename

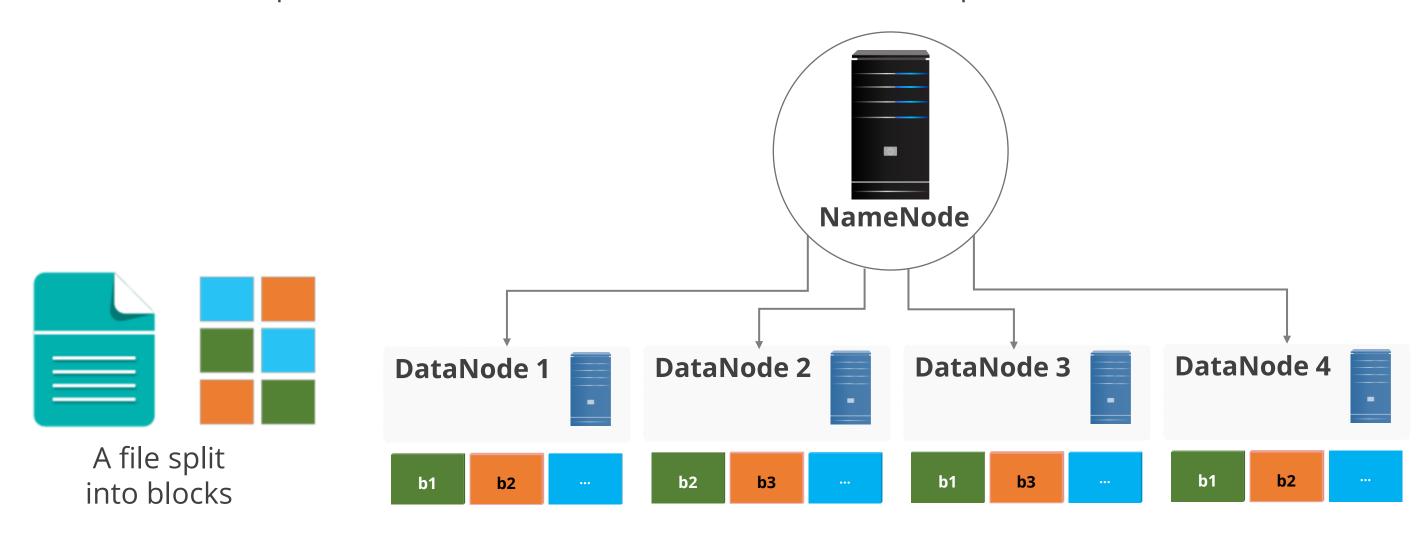
NameNode Operation

The NameNode maintains two persistent files:



Data Block Split

Each file is split into one or more blocks that are stored and replicated in DataNodes.

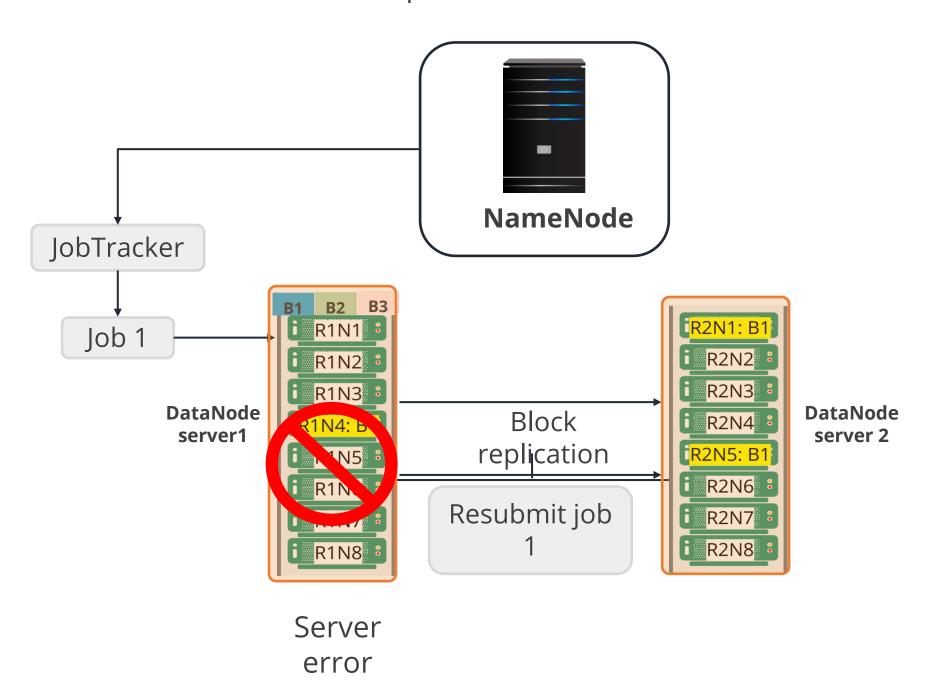


DataNodes managing blocks

The data block approach provides simplified replication, fault tolerance, and reliability.

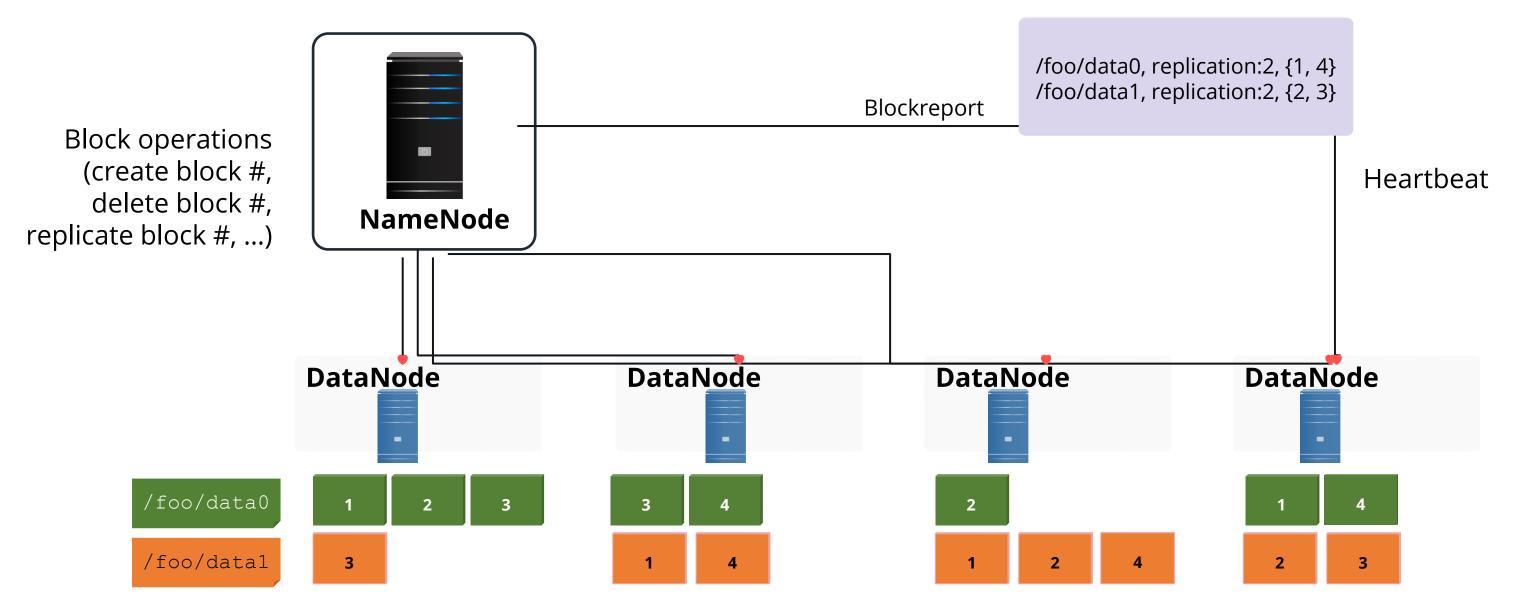
Block Replication Architecture

HDFS represents the unstructured data in the form of data blocks. It performs block replication on multiple DataNodes.



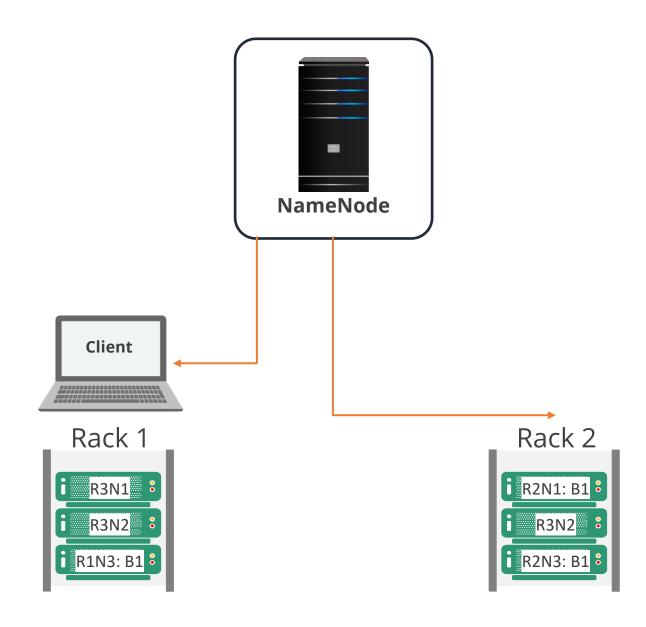
Replication Method

Each file is split into a sequence of blocks. Except for the last one, all blocks in the file are of the same size.



Data Replication Topologies

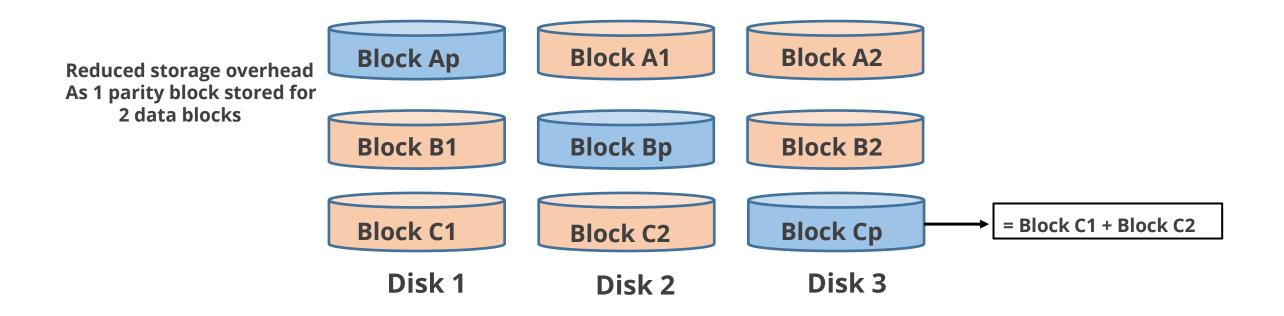
One of the suggested replication topologies is as follows:



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HDFS: Erasure Coding

It is a data protection technique where data is broken into fragments, expanded, encoded with redundant information, and stored in different locations or storage media.



If a storage medium fails or data is corrupted, the data can be reconstructed from parts stored on other storage media.

HDFS Access

HDFS provides the following access mechanisms:

Java API for applications





Python access and C wrapper for non-Java applications



Web GUI utilized through an HTTP browser





FS shell for executing commands on HDFS

HDFS Command Line

Copies *simplilearn.txt* from the local disk to the user's directory in HDFS

\$hdfs dfs -put simplilearn.txt simplilearn.txt

Displays a list of the contents of the directory path provided by the user, and shows the names, permissions, owner, size, and modification date for each entry

\$hdfs dfs -ls /user/simpl/test

Creates a directory called *test* under the user's home directory

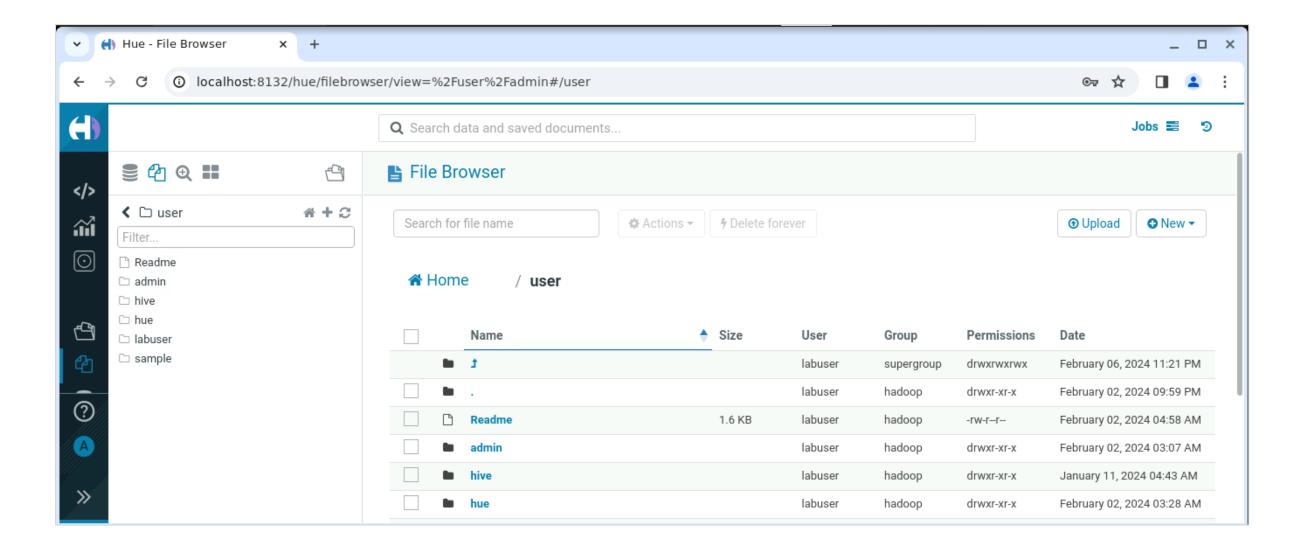
\$hdfs dfs -mkdir /user/simpl/test

Delete the directory *test* and all content within

\$hdfs dfs -rm -f test

Hue File Browser

The file browser in Hue lets you view and manage your HDFS directories and files.



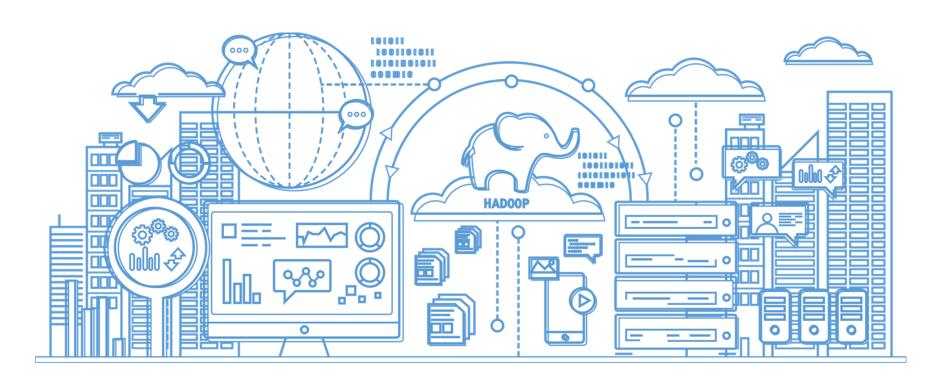
Additionally, you can create, move, rename, modify, upload, download, and delete directories and files.

Case Study: Analyzing Uber Datasets Using Hadoop Framework

Analyzing Uber Datasets Using Hadoop Framework

Uber started by using RDBMS for storage, but there was a need for scalability and reliability after a few years, which increased by 400% every year. In 2016, there were about 100 petabytes of data, which was mixed, i.e., batch and real-time. After the previous solution failed, they began utilizing HDFS and then PRESTO.

They began using HDFS for batch and streaming analytics in a variety of applications, including fraud detection, machine learning, and ETA calculation.



Assisted Practice: HDFS commands



Duration: 10 Minutes

Problem Scenario: Write commands to manage HDFS by creating Sample.txt, establishing the Simplificant directory, transferring the file, displaying content, retrieving block details, and removing the file.

Objective: To master HDFS file management, create a text file, establish a Simplilearn directory, transfer a sample file, display its content, retrieve block details, and remove the file from HDFS.

Steps Overview:

Step 1: Create a text file named **Sample.txt** in the vi editor

Step 2: Create a directory named **Simplilearn** in HDFS

Step 3: Transfer a sample text file from your local filesystem to the HDFS director

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Step 4: Show the content of the HDFS file uploaded on the command prompt

Step 5: Get details of all replicated blocks of the sample file uploaded

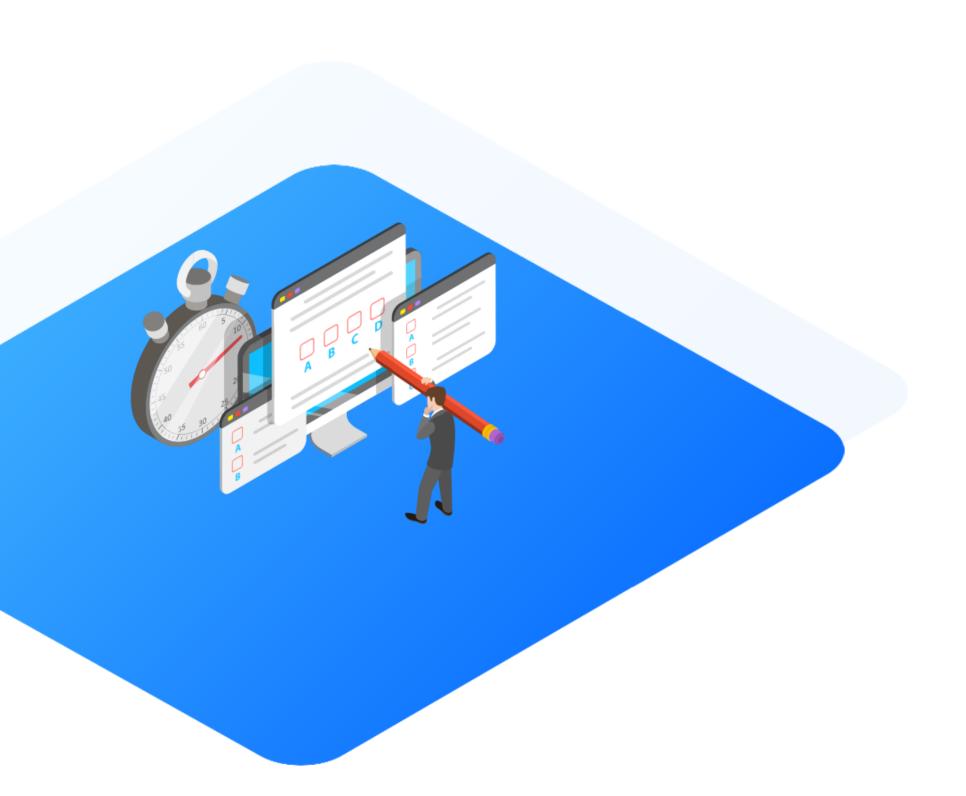
Step 6: Remove the text file from the HDFS directory

Note: The solution to this assisted practice is provided under the Reference Materials section.

Key Takeaways

- HDFS is a distributed file system that provides access to data across Hadoop clusters.
- The HDFS components comprise different servers, like NameNode, DataNode, and Secondary NameNode.
- HADOOP CLI is an interactive command-line shell that makes working with Hadoop's Distributed File System (HDFS) easier and more intuitive than the traditional Hadoop command-line tools.





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- C. The file is divided into fixed-size blocks which are stored on multiple DataNodes. Each block is replicated three times by default. Multiple blocks from the same file might reside on the same DataNode.
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The correct answer is **D**

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The default block size in Hadoop 3. x is 128 MB. So, a file of size 514 MB will be divided into 5 blocks, where the first four blocks will be 128 MB and the last block will be 2 MB.

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HDFS follows the write once, read many model. So, multiple clients cannot write into an HDFS file concurrently.

Thank You