



Managing Data & Databases

Session 9

The Data Deluge and Big Data

What is big data?

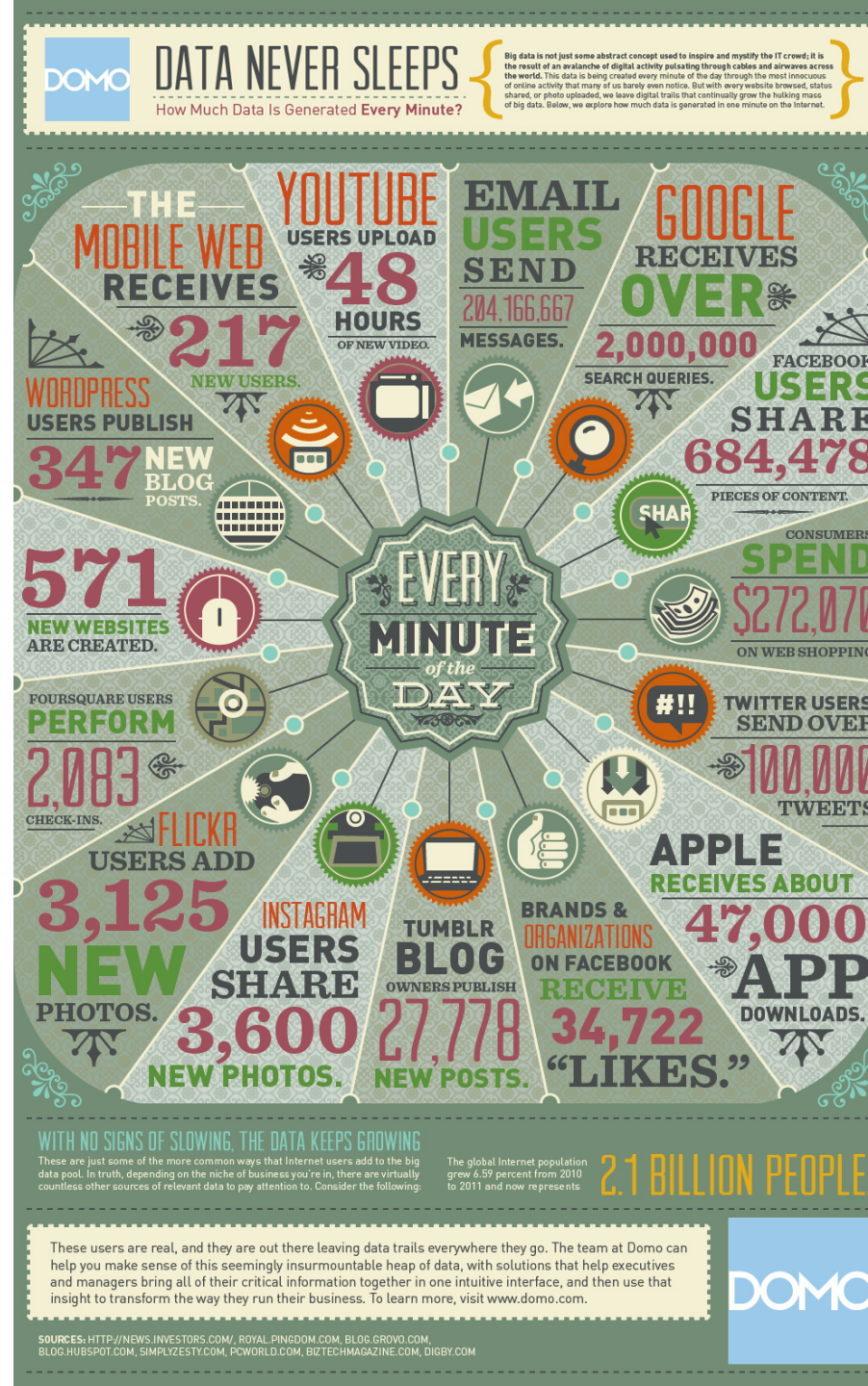
■ The 3 Vs

- Volume
- Velocity
- Variety

■ Other characteristics

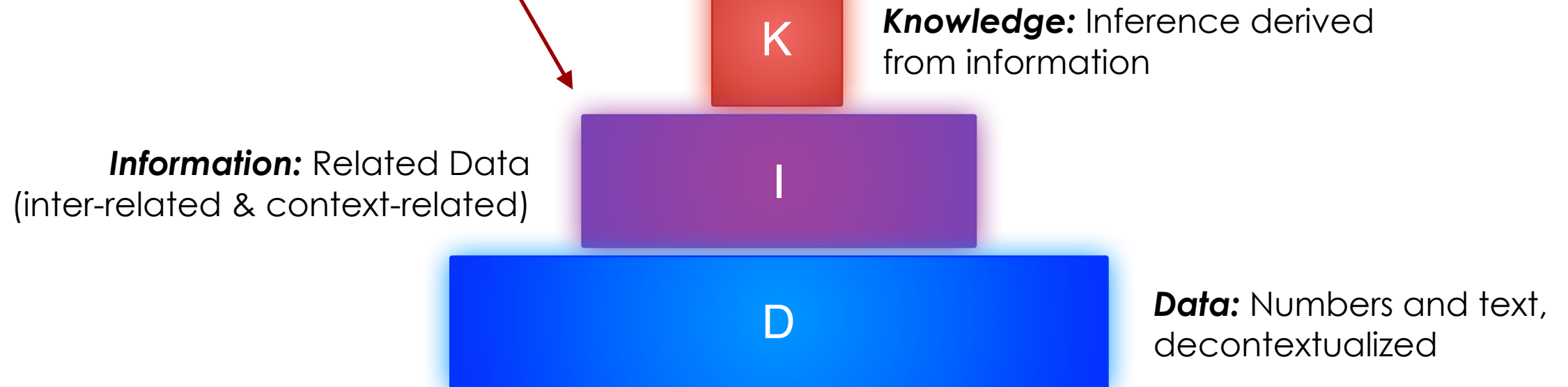
- Versatility
- High Granularity
- Link-ability

The 3Vs illustrated



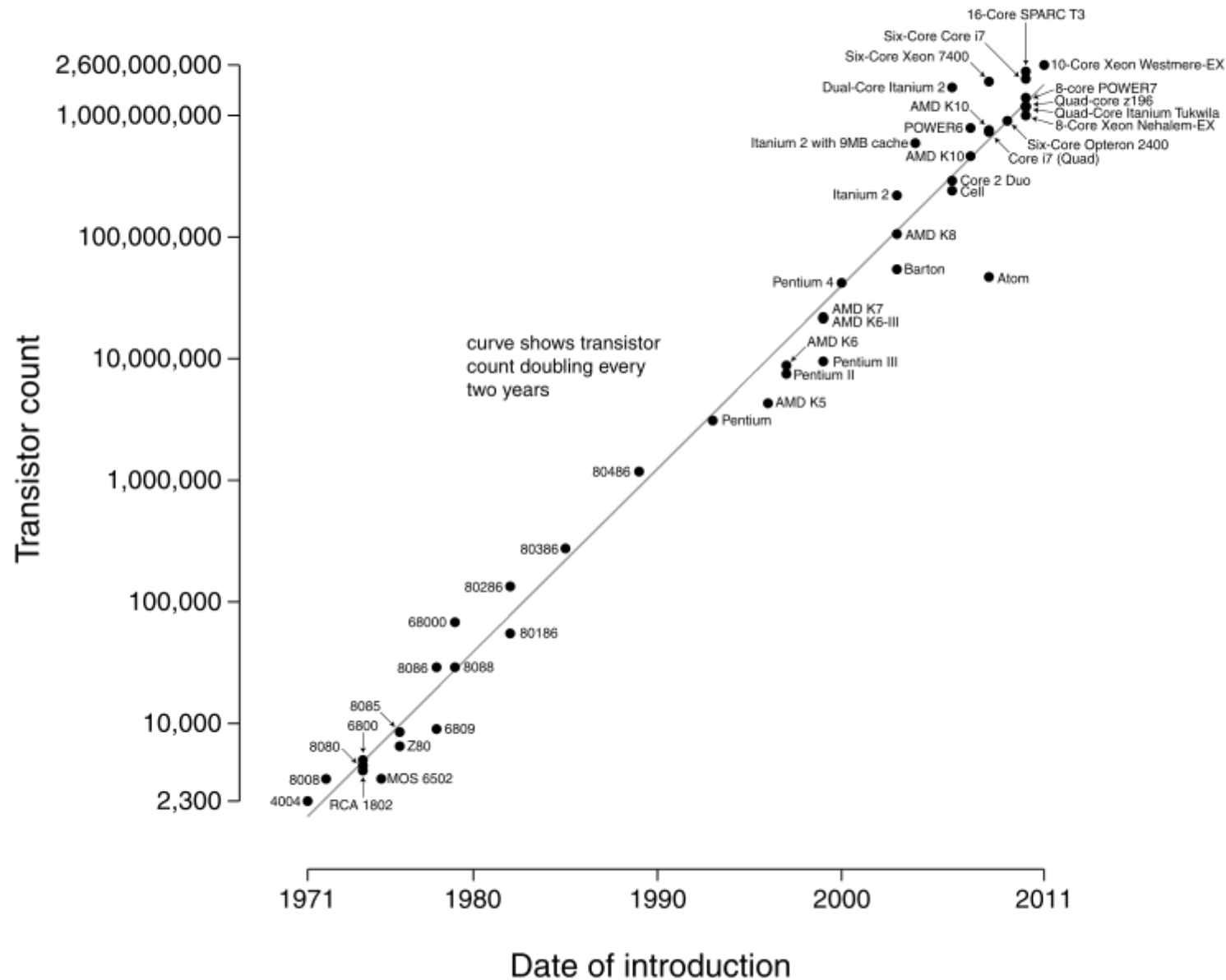
A sneak peek:
<http://tweetping.net>

The bottleneck(s)

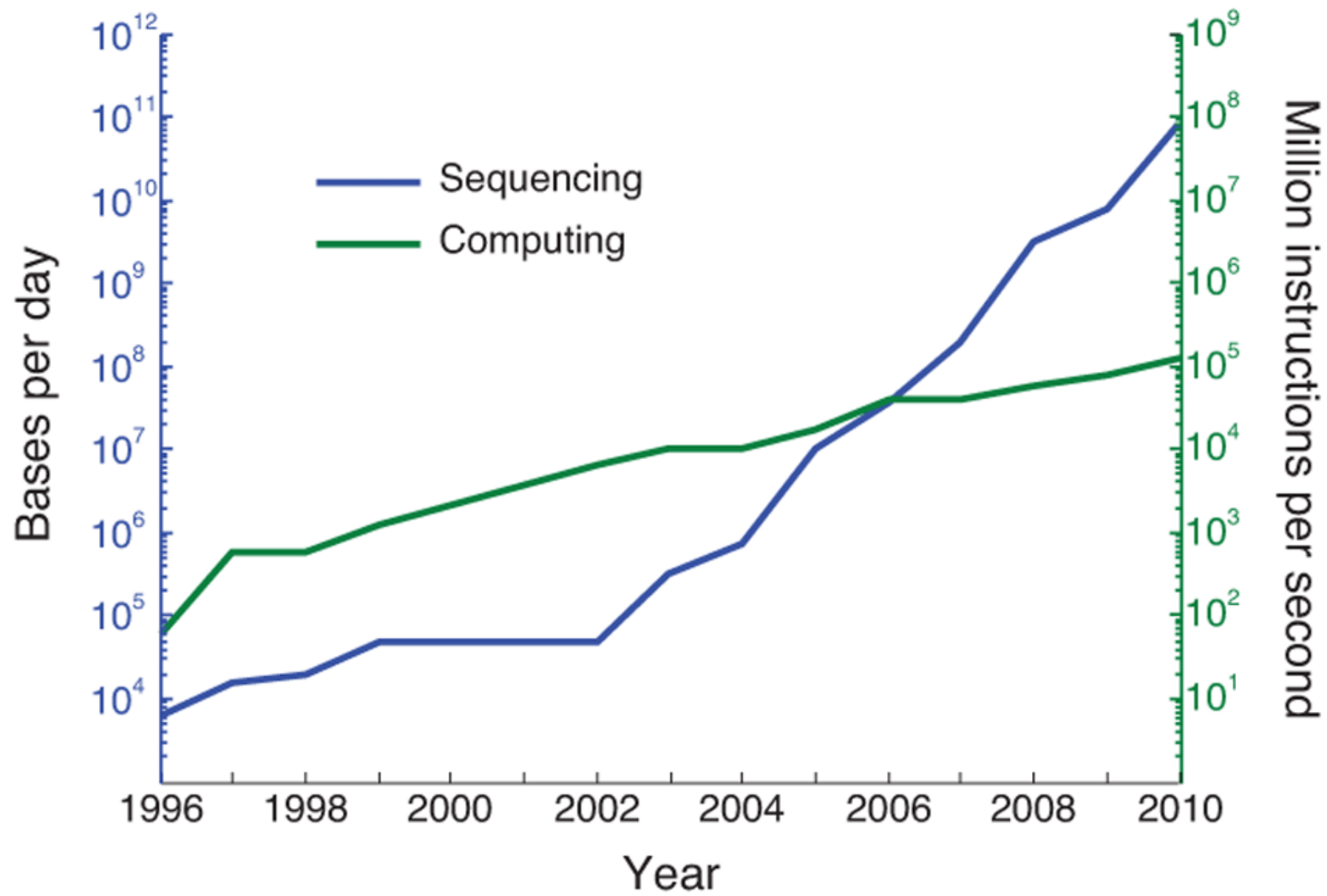


Microprocessor Transistor Counts 1971-2011 & Moore's Law

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Source: Wikipedia



An estimate

How much data do we generate?

2010: 1.2 zettabytes

2011: 1.8 zettabytes

How much is 1,800,000,000,000,000,000,000 bytes?

That fills 115 billion 16GB iPads!

Where does the data come from?

- Digitization (of existing or new data)
 - Content: Movies, Pictures, Documents, etc...
 - Sensing: DNA, Weather, GPS,... and Apple Health Kit!
- Transaction and Interaction Data
 - Banking, Commerce, Chat,
- User-Generated Content and Digital Footprint
 - Social Media, GPS, Comments, Website visit data,... and Apple Health Kit!

Are there any perils?

Big data: are we making a big mistake?
By Tim Harford

How to deal with it?

- Scalable and distributed data structures
- Parallel Computing
- Peer-to-peer Grids

How to make sense of it? (1)



- Information Design
- Visualization
- Infographics
- Word Clouds
- etc.

How to make sense of it? (2)

- Artificial Intelligence
 - Machine Learning (Pure or Supervised)
 - Pattern Matching
 - Data Mining (Classification, Clustering, etc...)
 - Text Mining (Natural Language Processing)
- <http://www.ibm.com/smarterplanet/us/en/ibmwatson/what-is-watson.html>

How to make sense of it? (3)

- Analytics (Adapted Statistics)
 - Large data validity
 - Parametric, Non-parametric, Simulation-Based
 - Inferential vs. Predictive
 - Theoretical vs. A-theoretical
 - Parallel implementation
 - Mixed-level methods
 - Longitudinal methods

But should we keep all that?

And is there any way not to?