

Scalable Machine Learning Agenda

8:00 - 9:15: R in HPC

9:15 - 9:30: Break

9:30 - 10:00: ML with Spark

10:00 - 10:20: PySpark Hands-on

10:20 - 10:40: SparkR Hands-on

10:40 - 10:45: Wrap-up

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SML1 – R in HPC

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Location: Breakout Room

Gitter (session support): Breakout Room

Gitter (general system support): Help Desk

R, Scaling R, Parallel R

- **A Glimpse of R (recap)**
- **R and Scaling**
- **Parallel options for R**
- **R on Comet exercise**

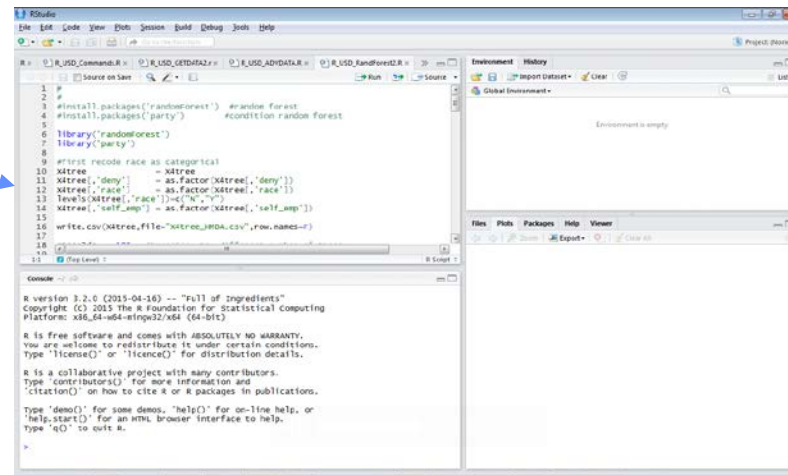
A typical R development workflow

- R studio: An Integrated development environment for R on your local machine – good for development

Menu tab

*Edit window to
Build scripts*

R console



*Environment
Information on
variables and
command history*

*Plots, help
docs, package
lists*

R commands in brief

- A typical R code workflow:

#READ DATA (housing mortgage cases)

```
X = read.csv('hmda_aer.csv', header=T, stringsAsFactors=T)
```

#SUBSET DATA

```
indices_2keep = which(X[, 's13'] %in% c(3,4,5))
```

```
X = X[unique(indices_2keep),]
```

#CREATE/TRANSFORM VARIABLES

```
pi_rat = as.numeric(X[, 's46']/100)
```

#debt2income ratio

```
race = as.numeric(X[, 's13'] %in% c(3,4))
```

#make race values 1-4 into values 0 or 1

```
deny = as.numeric(X[, 's7']==3)
```

#make deny values into 0 or 1,
1 only for deny='3'

#RUN MODEL and SHOW RESULTS

```
lm_result = lm(deny~race+pi_rat)
```

#lm is 'linearmodel'

```
summary(lm_result)
```

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- **Data Wrangling**
- **Sampling/bootstrap methods**
- **Particular Statistical procedures that you won't find implemented anywhere else, e.g.**
 - Multiple Imputation methods,
 - Instrument Variable (2 stage) Regression
 - Matching subjects for pairwise analysis
 - MCMC routines

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 - Some models more amenable to parallel versions

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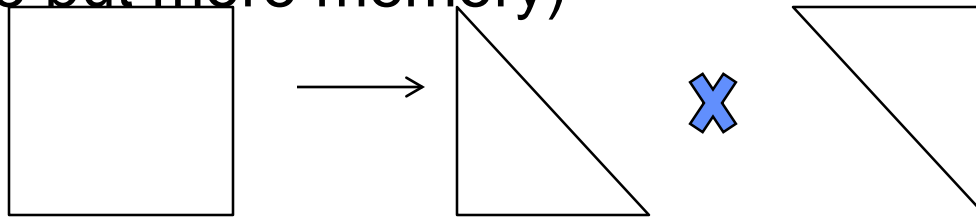
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- **Or, better:**
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Consider Regression models in R

- **Related Models and Functions :**
 - `lm()` #Linear Model
 - `glm()` #Generalized Linear Model
(logistic regression, etc)

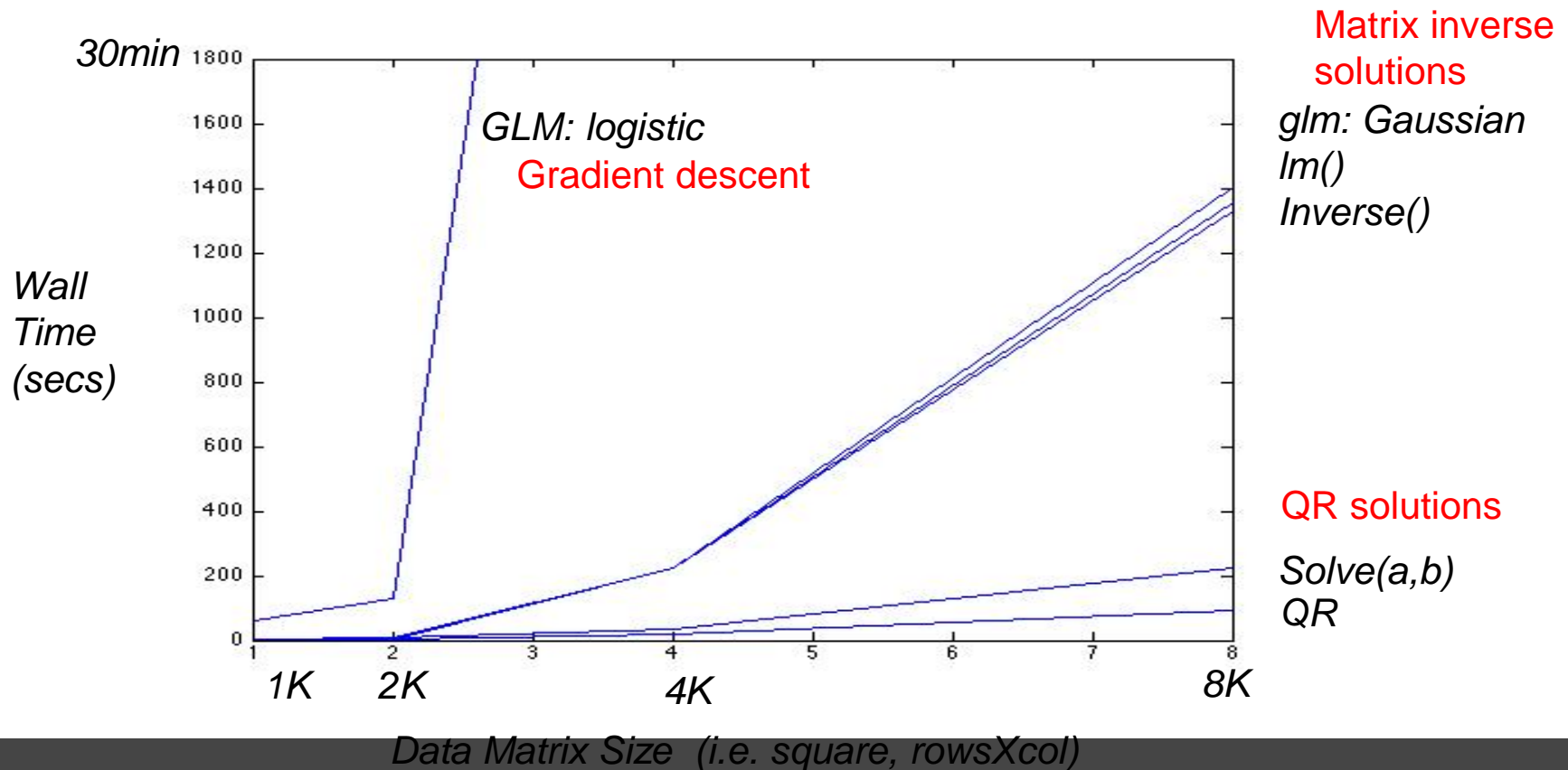
Solving Linear Systems

Performance with R, 1 compute node

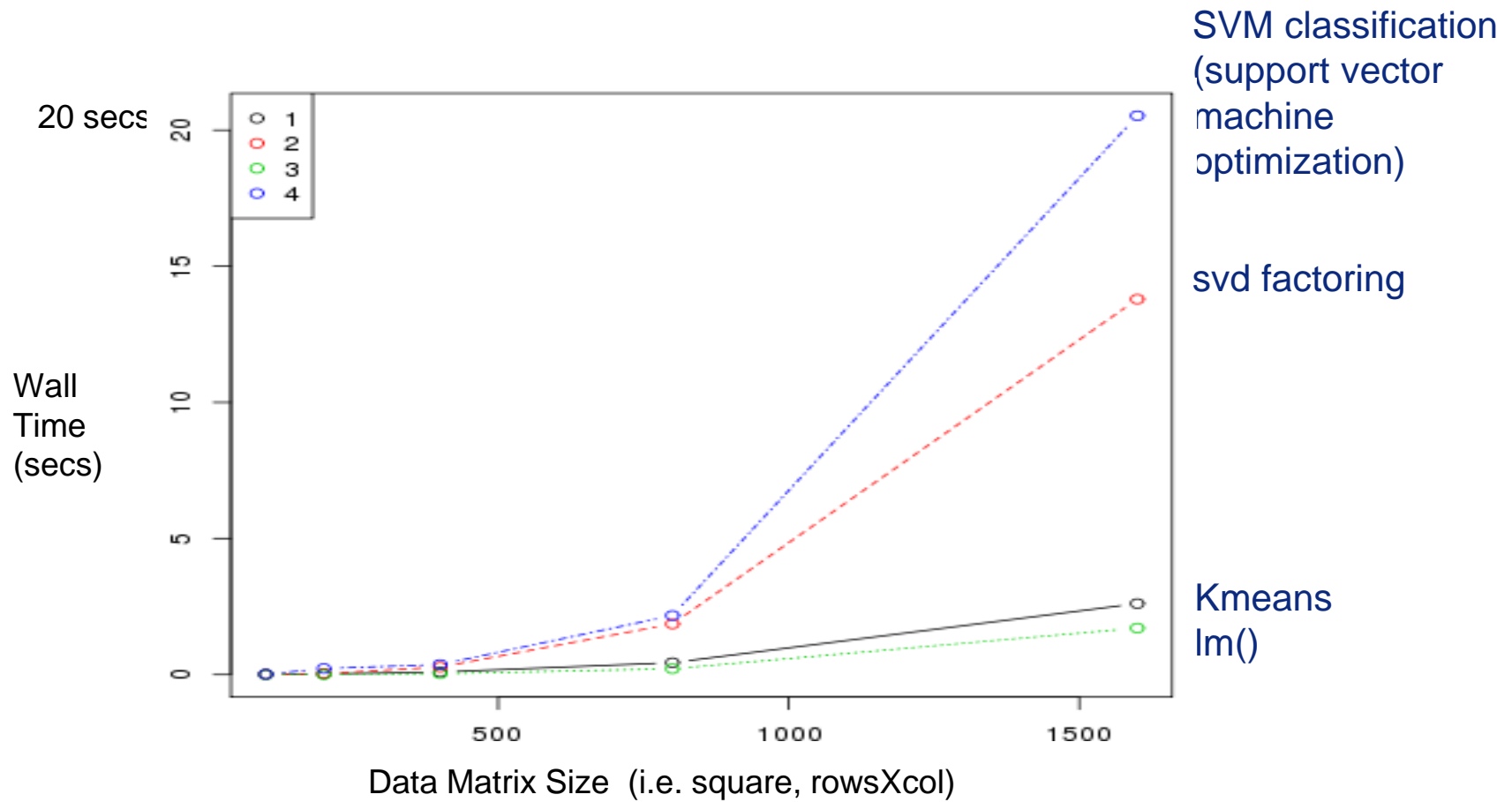
R:

`glm(Y~X,family=gaussian)` #gaussn regrssn (like `lm`)

`glm(Y~X,family=binomial)` # logistic regrssn ($Y=0$ or 1)



Machine learning models: Performance on 1 compute node



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[See https://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/doParallel/vignettes/gettingstartedParallel.pdf](https://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/doParallel/vignettes/gettingstartedParallel.pdf)

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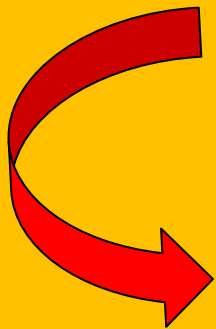
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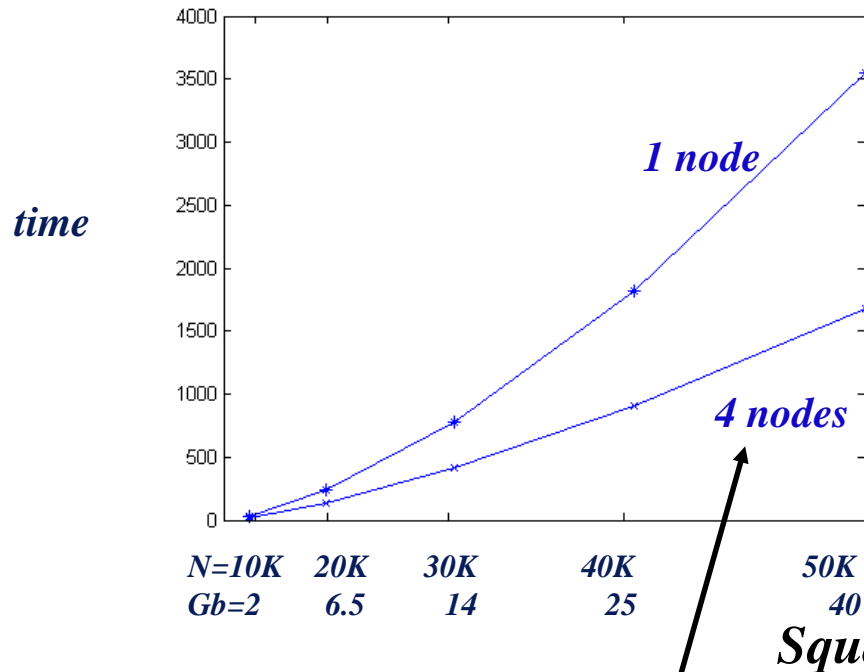


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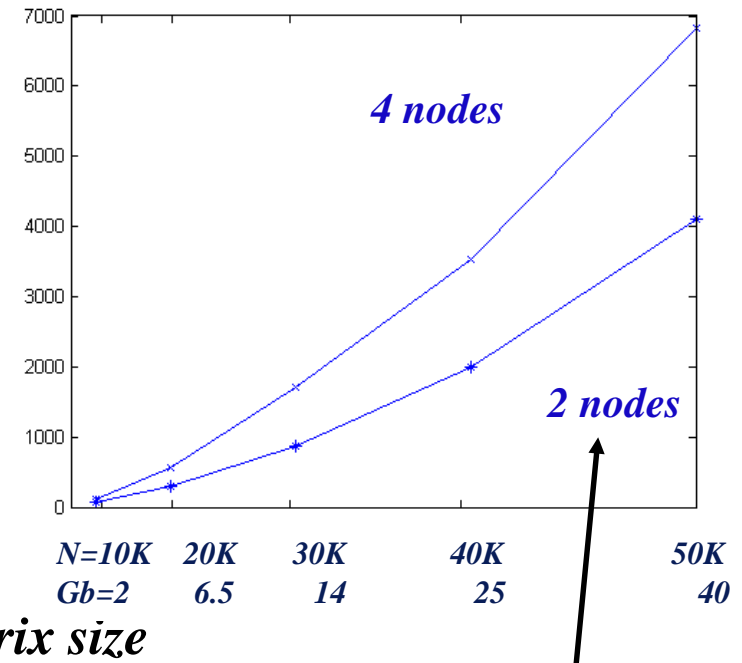
Multiple Compute Nodes not always help

(tested on Gordon)

Matrix Multiplication



Matrix Inversion

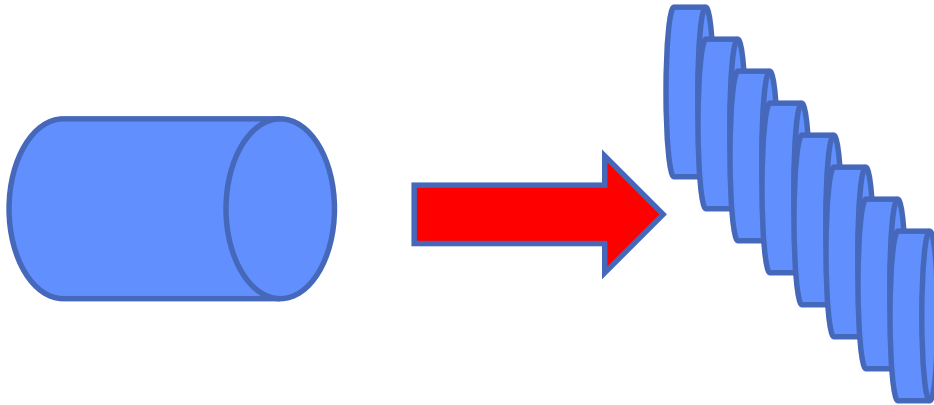


multinodes: more nodes is less time for multiplication,

less nodes is better for inversion

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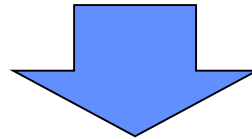
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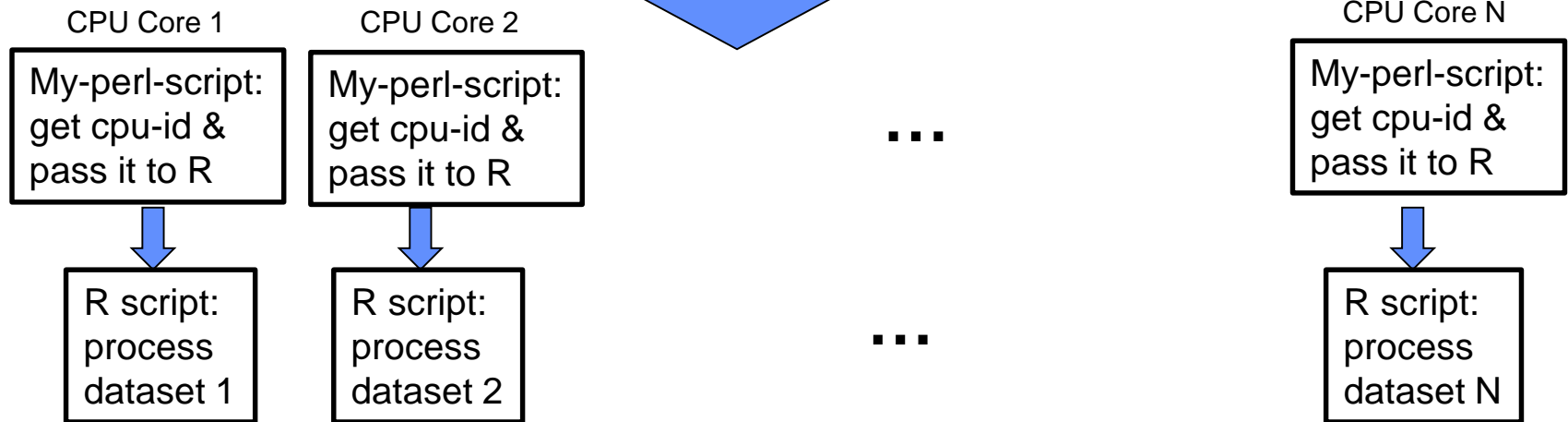
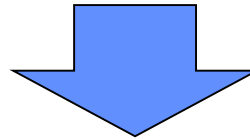
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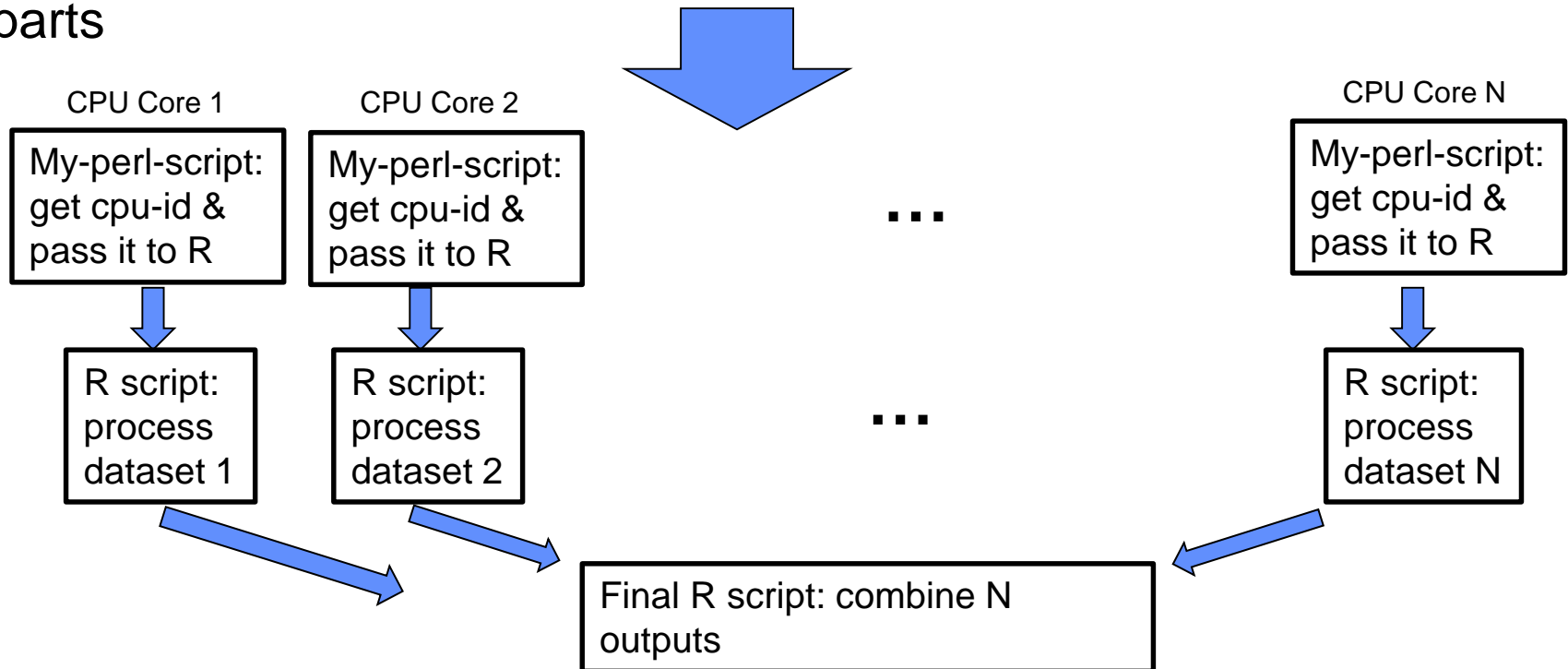


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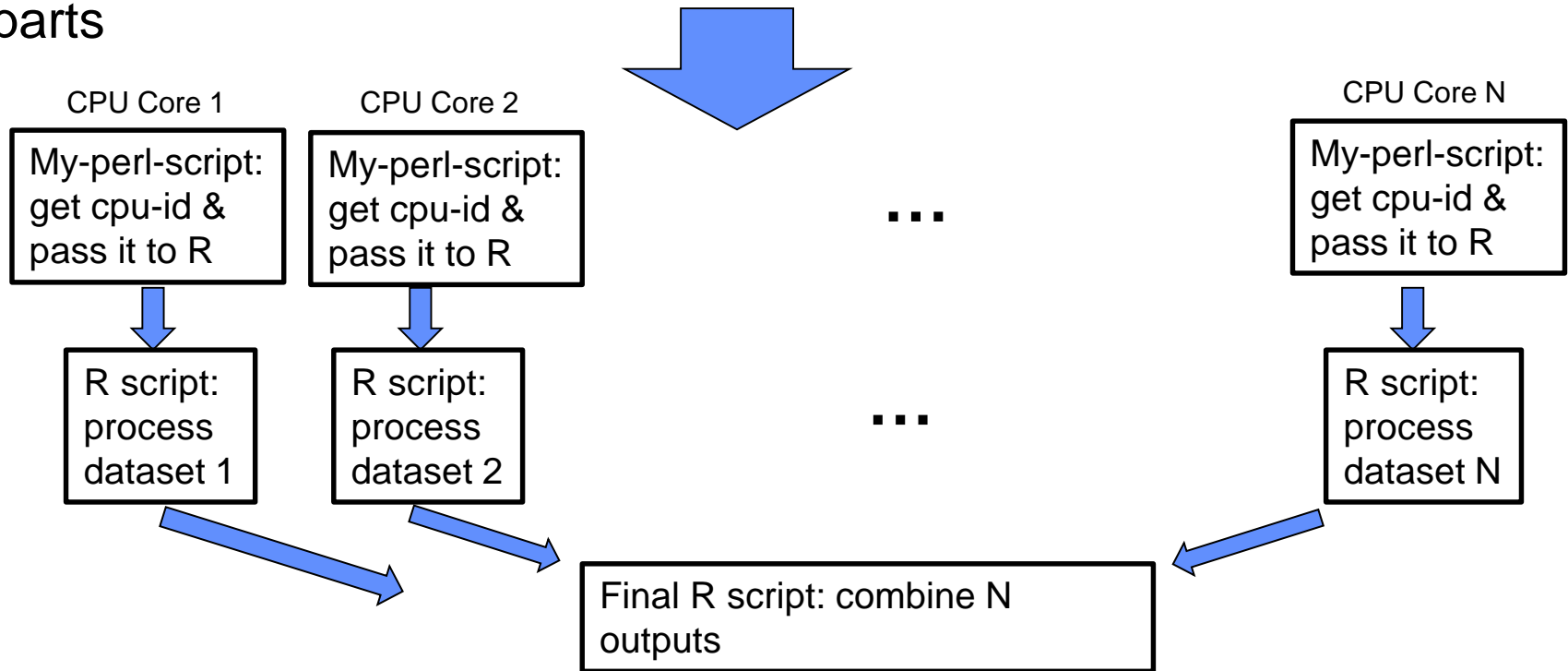


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More programming but more flexible

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Hybrid:
One perl script on
each node, R can
then use 24 cores
with 'foreach'

```
# --- OR -----

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```

Example: scaling MCMC

*Distributed Markov Chain Monte Carlo for Bayesian Hierarchical Models,
Frederico Bumbaca, UC Irvine, et al in print*

- *Probabilities of user web activity interdependent through a hierarchical model*
- *MCMC search for probabilities made independent through a phased approach.*
- *Ran on SDSC Comet with embarrassing parallelization*

(Using rhierMnIRwMixturefunction in the R package, bayesm)

# Individuals	Cores	Individ per Core	Total Minutes (I/O time)
100 million	1,7282 (max)	~ 58K	206 (38)

Example 2: scaling likelihood estimation

Social network evolution

- *A large model of users' connections with interdependent variance terms for different actions*
- *Optimization, with ~70M observations (5-8Gb), takes > 48 hours on 1 compute node.*
- *R doParallel copies too much data across nodes or cores*
- *R-mpi not flexible enough with nodes and cores*
- *Ran with embarrassing parallelization on parts of data across nodes, with R parallel across cores (but not all cores),*

(using Optim, doParallel, and send results back to main node through files)

# Connections	Nodes (Cores)	Approx Hours
~70M	12 (180 of 288)	2-3

R parallel exercise

- **Open & run Exercise**
 - remember that foreach assumes independence between loops
 - Start with smallish NxP data matrix
- **Look at memory usage in top command**
- **R will crash if too many cores use too much memory (128Gb is max on a node)**

1 start a notebook,
2 before running the cells, in
terminal window enter:

```
$ ssh comet-###-###
```

3 run the SML1 notebook, then
view top listing



```

p4rodrig@comet-19-14:~$ top - 16:04:19 up 144 days, 2:05, 1 user, load average: 0.00, 0.01, 0.05
Tasks: 575 total, 1 running, 574 sleeping, 0 stopped, 0 zombie
Cpu(s): 0.0 us, 0.0 sy, 0.0 ni,100.0 id, 0.0 wa, 0.0 hi, 0.0 si, 0.0 st
Mem Mem: 13165400+total,12268892+free, 3747980 used, 5217100 buff/cache
Mem Swap: 0 total, 0 free, 0 used. 12264201+avail Mem

  PID USER      PR  NI    VIRT    RES    SHR S  %CPU  %MEM     TIME+ COMMAND
282624 p4rodrig  20   0 165368  2672  1552 R   0.3   0.0   0:01.05 top
1402  p4rodrig  20   0 113324  1732  1340 S   0.0   0.0   0:00.03 slurm_scri+
2184  p4rodrig  20   0 330120  58316  9464 S   0.0   0.0   0:02.11 ZMQbg/1
2442  p4rodrig  20  1259244 111404 10780 S   0.0   0.1   0:08.83 R
28170 p4rodrig  20   0 178644  3032  1176 S   0.0   0.0   0:00.00 sshd
28171 p4rodrig  20   0 118524  2192  1664 S   0.0   0.0   0:00.01 bash
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```


- **pause**

Other R packages:

- **“Stan”** - MCMC tool with an R or Python interface
(an evolution from BUGS)
- **Rspark** - R interface to Spark
- **pdbR** - higher level over R-MPI, distributed matrix support and other (better for dense matrices vs Spark)
- **R openMP** - (e.g. if you want to program your own foreach)
- **Ff, bigmemory** – map data to files (can help with foreach)
- **HiPLAR** - GPU and multicore for linear algebra
- **Rgputools** – GPU support
(GPUs have data transfer overhead costs)


pbdR package

See <https://pbdr.org/packages.html>

- **API on top of MPI and Scalapack Lin. Algebra library**
- **Sets up virtual grid to handle large matrix multiplication**

pbdr sample code

Set it up like MPI



```
library(pbdDMAT)

init.grid()           #you can select grid sizes to map matrices onto cores

myr  =comm.rank()    #it works over MPI
mys  =comm.size()

dx <- ddmatrix(...)  # ddmatrix is a new object with associated methods
```

A new object type for matrices

R bigmemory library

“bigmemory” package for large matrices
maps data to files
might help foreach memory management

```
library('bigmemory') #load libraries  
library('bigalgebra')
```

```
X = as.big.matrix(X)
```

```
#convert regular matrices to “big” matrices and use them as normal
```

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How to use R directly on Comet

1. Get a compute node:

```
[Unix]$ : srun --partition=computed --pty --nodes=1 --ntasks-per-node=24 -t  
00:30:00 --wait=0 --export=ALL -A your-account /bin/bash
```

2. Start R

```
[Unix]$ module load R
```

```
[Unix]$ R (this gets an interactive R session)
```

```
>quit() (to exit R)
```

```
[Unix]$ exit (to exit the compute node)
```

Installing your own R Packages

- In R:

install.packages('package-name')

(see <https://cran.r-project.org/> for package lists and reviews)

- Sometimes on Comet, you might need to be explicit:

*install.packages('ggmap',
repos='http://cran.us.r-project.org',dependencies=TRUE)*

If compiling is required and you get an error, call support

THE END