

# Managing infrastructure on EC2 Spot

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# What we do

- Modelling Platform for various forms of data:
- Financial / Insurance / Logistical / Medical/ Marketing
- Compute, Simulation, Machine Learning and Data Visualization
- Modelling has a visual component

Idea base

Asian Option Price

Search for an idea

Tree

Mind map

Predecessors

Only base ideas

Filter nodes

valuation.call\_value

Call value

Operator: AGGREGATE OVER DIMENSIONS

Rename

Change Operator

Parameters

Base idea

simulation.discounted\_call\_value

Aggregation behaviour

Aggregate out

Aggregation dimensions

simulation

Add Aggregation dimensions

Operation

AVERAGE

Information Structure

Continuity: DISCRETE

datetime value

DATETIME REAL

Navigation

Predecessors

simulation.discounted\_call\_value

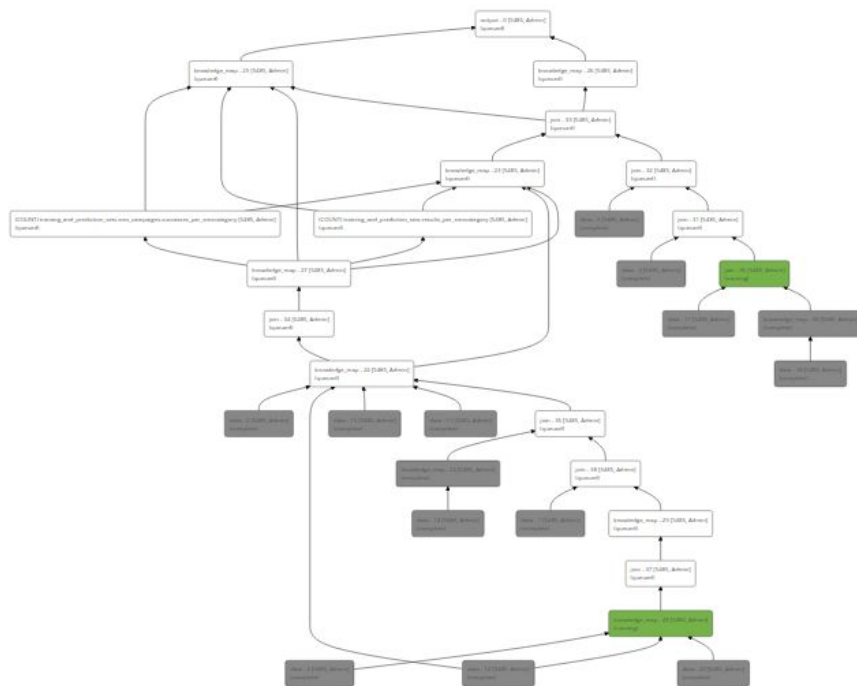
Successors

Description

Graph based compute engine (C++)

## Compile these graphs into dependent Hadoop Map-Reduce jobs

## Running



**Calculations can get pretty big**

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CSSH: hadoop07

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# Motivations for using EC2 Spot

- Big calculations require many instances
- Much cheaper ~ \$0.24 spot vs \$1.06 on demand for r4.4xlarge per hour (4.4 times cheaper) - when not surging
- Can handle losing some machines

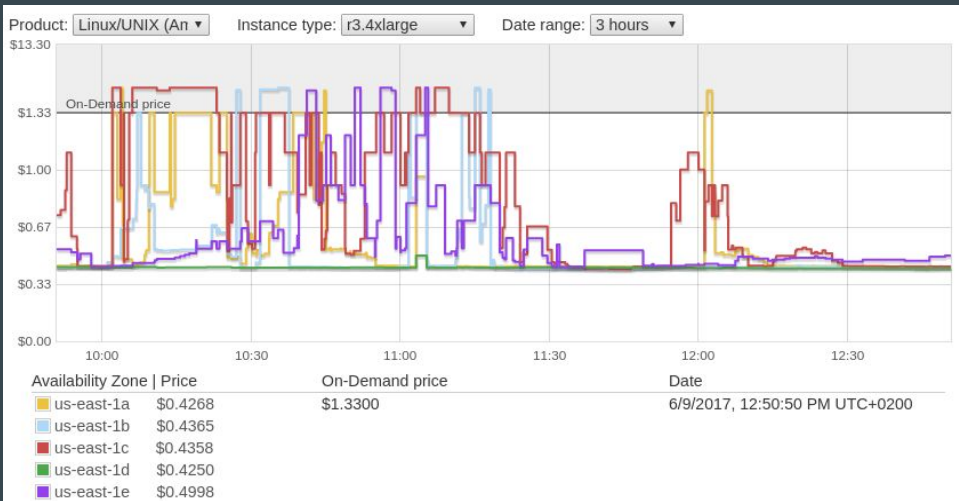


# How Spot Pricing Works

- Quasi market
- Set a bid, pay the market price
- If market price goes above your bid => your instance gets terminated
- Spot price can go 10X above the on demand price
- Different prices for different instance types



# Different volatility for different instance types



# Jumps in market price



# Problems we've encountered

- What if price stays up?
- Multi-AZ - incurs interzone traffic costs
- Losing local disk can be a problem
- Some services don't handle node churn

**Having insights is important**

# Build internal monitoring tools



Gryphon



Elephant Cluster



Monitored Tasks



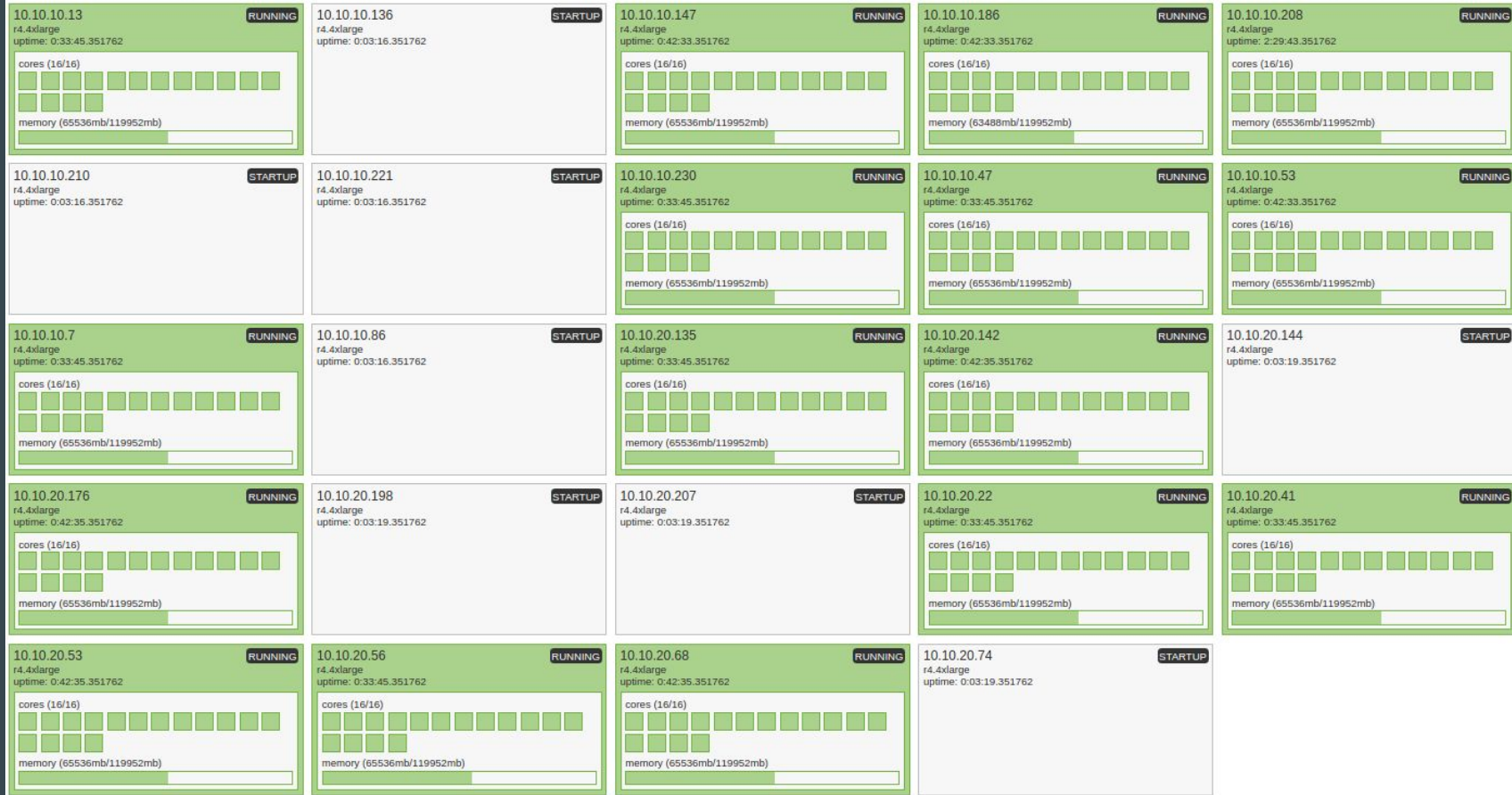
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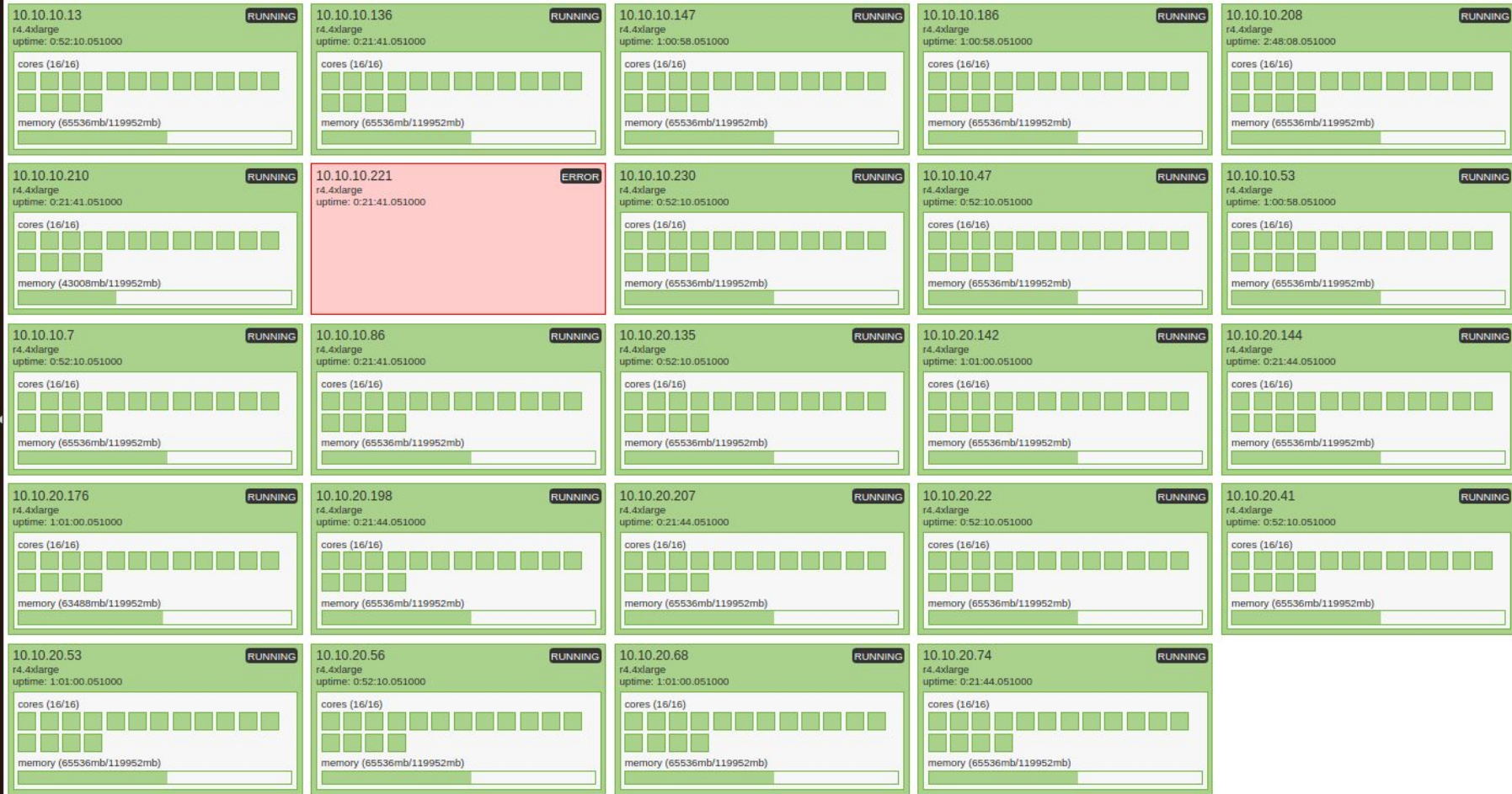


Condor



Cron



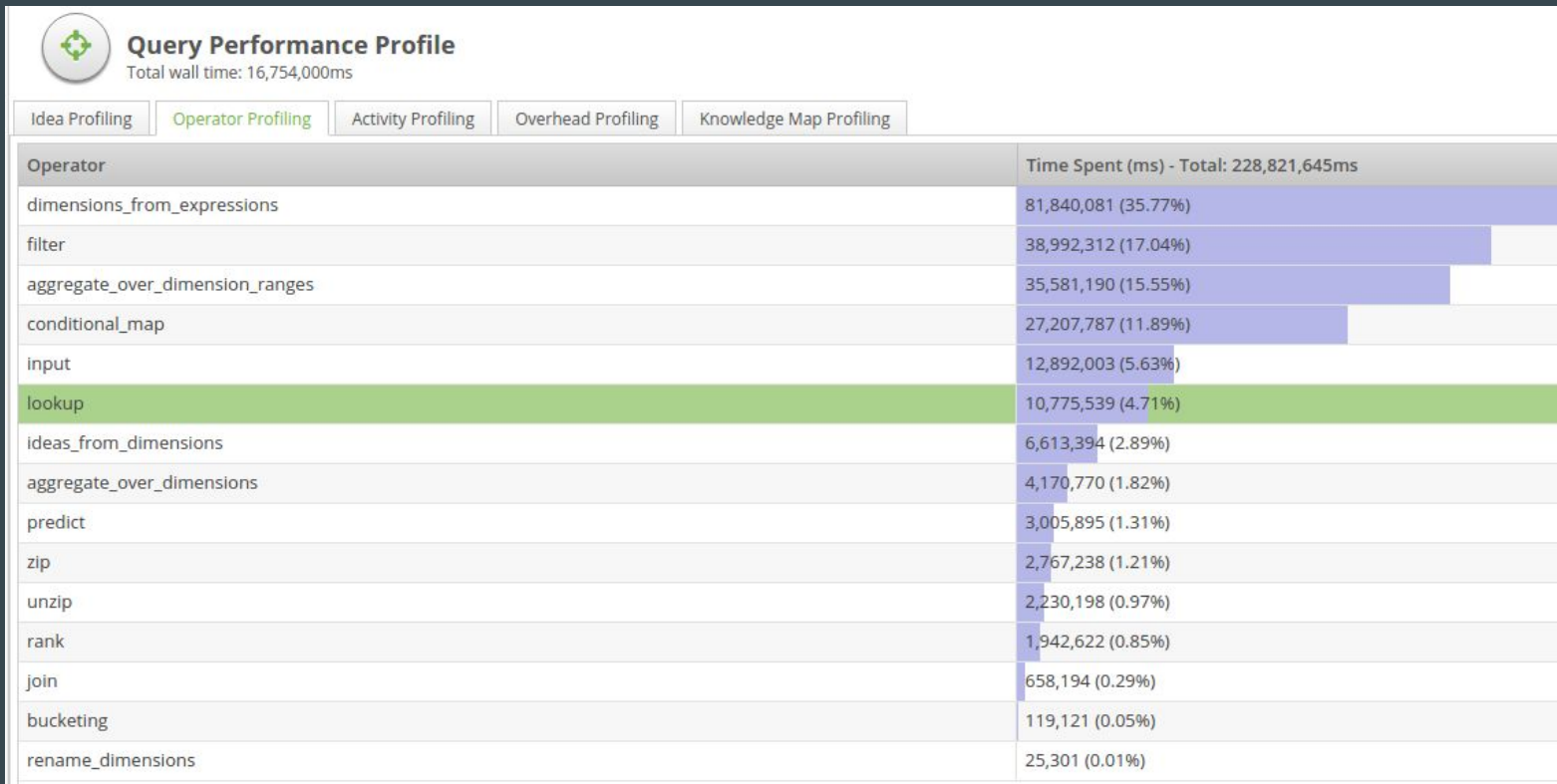








# Profile the code



# Insights

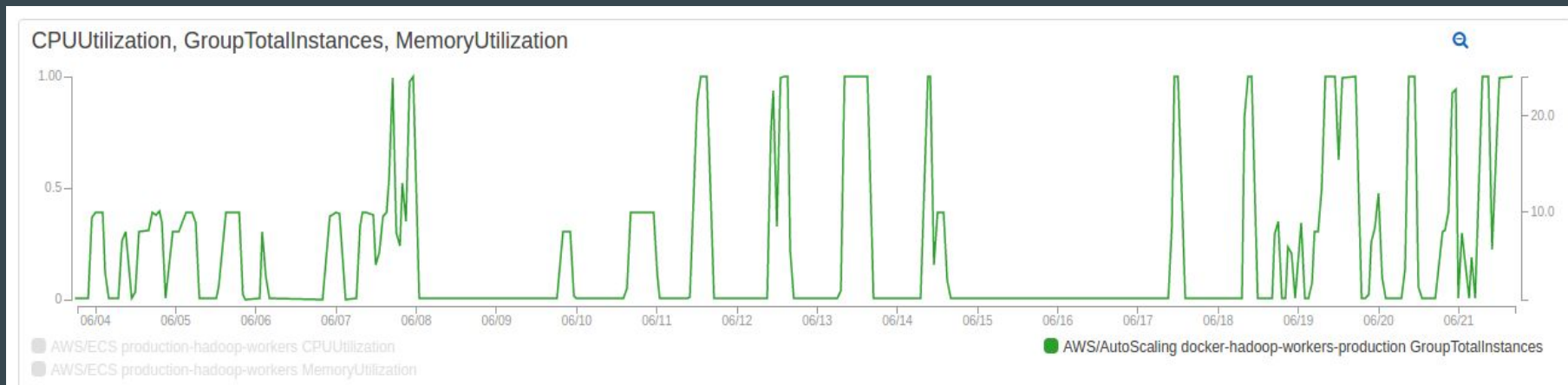
- Monitoring can makes your life easier
- Compute coming up faster saves \$\$\$ (docker vs puppet): image download vs package install
- Match cluster size to resource requirements
- Having the right autoscaling conf matters

# Autoscaling issues

- Don't flip on and off
  - Two Causes for us:
    - new job => scale up => complete => scale down => new job (within an instance hour)
    - Scale up too high too quickly => low resource utilization => scale down => (repeat)
- Scale up on load metrics (high cpu), gate scaledown on # messages in alive queue

```
while True:
    try:
        conn = boto.sqs.connect_to_region('us-east-1')
        q = conn.get_queue(heartbeat_queue_name)
        m = Message()
        m.set_body("I am alive")
        q.write(m)
        logger.info("Sending heartbeat message")
        time.sleep(60)
    except Exception: # pylint: disable=broad-except
        logger.exception("Unknown error occurred in heartbeat thread")
        time.sleep(5)
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# Some recent spot autoscaling usage



# Questions