Course Introduction

Cloud Computing and Big Data (CLO)

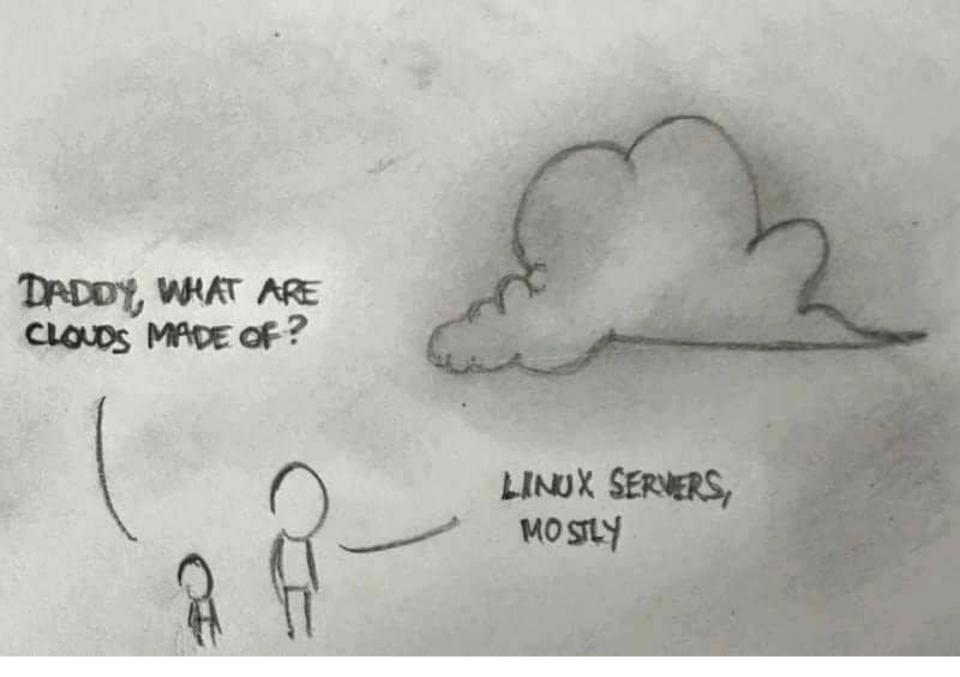Oxford University
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Aims

- Understanding of Principles of Cloud Computing and Big Data
- Theoretical background and origins
- Practical experience of different technologies
- Architecture and Design
- Wider context

Pre-requisites

Covered by the Pre-Study Guide

- **Command line** tooling and Unix commands
- Some **Python programming** and **text editors**
- **SQL** and data manipulation
- **Understanding** of networking, servers and distributed computing

Format

- A mixture of lectures and practical labs
- Lectures aim to provide the wider context and background
  - Independent of specific technologies
- Labs are based on specific technologies
  - Designed to demonstrate the principles

Lab model

- Local Virtual Machine
  - Ubuntu
  - Pre-installed big data software
    - E.g. Apache Hadoop and Spark, Docker, etc
- Amazon Web Services
  - Virtual machines in the cloud

Contents

- Overview and Introduction
- Cloud Computing
  - Introduction and Case Studies
  - Cloud Computing Theory and Background
  - Containers and Docker

- Big Data
  - Introduction and Case Studies
  - Map Reduce and Hadoop
  - Apache Spark and in-memory big data
  - Realtime
  - Visualisation
  - NoSQL
    - Cassandra

Practicals

- Using Cloud Services
- Elastic scaling
- Python Big Data, Pandas
- Spark, SparkSQL
- Cassandra and NoSQL
- Spark and Cassandra together
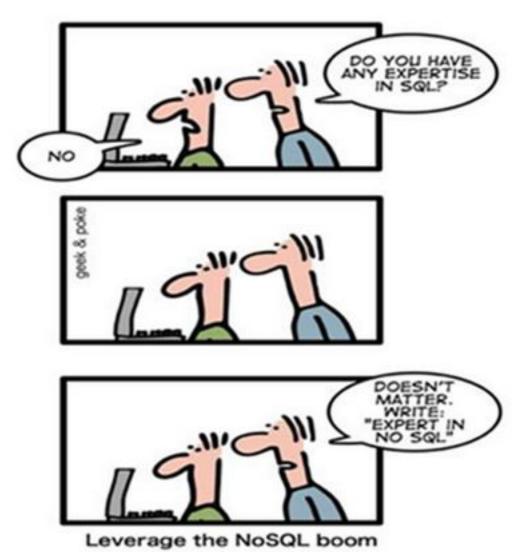- Realtime big data
- Containers

Specific Objectives

- Understand the principles of cloud computing
  - Theory of scalability
  - Including scalability and deployment
  - IaaS frameworks, PaaS, containers
- Understand Big Data approaches, technologies and techniques
  - Theoretical background and approaches
  - Including Map Reduce, NoSQL, Realtime
- Be able to design and implement scalable cloud and big data systems
- Understand and implement effective Open Source systems on Amazon EC2

Improve your CV?

Beyond the scope of this course

- Detailed Data Science techniques
- Implementing a private cloud
  - Although we will look at technologies for private cloud
- Understanding all of Spark, Kubernetes, Containers, AWS, etc

Rules of Engagement

- ***Ask questions as we go along***
  - We will "park" any that are better answered later
  - Don't wait till the end to ask or raise concerns
  - If you don't ask we can't help you

Online
Rules of Engagement!

- Please keep your video on during class time - it really helps me out.
- Please keep logged into Slack throughout the day
- We will break into teams for the exercises and use breakout rooms
- You will be assigned to teams, and we'll stick to these throughout the week
- Please be patient - its harder to get round everyone on Zoom than wandering around the room!

There ~~might~~ will be bugs!

- Please help out:
  - Create new issues on the Github repository

https://github.com/pzfreo/ox-clo/issues/new

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- Previously Senior Technical Staff Member, IBM
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- BA in Maths and Philosophy
- MSc in Computation (1995)
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  - IoT security and privacy
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You?

Approximate Schedule

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Overall Introductions First Cloud lab exercise	Containers and Cloud Orchestration Docker Lab	Spark and SQL SparkSQL Lab	Storage and NoSQL Cassandra Lab	Overview and Recap Presentation Group Exercise
Cloud Overview and case studies Elastic Cloud Lab	Introduction to Big Data and case studies Data processing in Python	Spark Lab continued	Cassandra details Cassandra Lab2	Final Thoughts and Assignment
Cloud Theory Platform-as-a-Service, scaling Further Cloud Lab	Intro to Spark Spark Lab	Spark Extras Spark Labs continued	Realtime Big Data, Kappa Architecture Realtime Lab	

Let's get started