

Dr. Olsen says:

Turn in your Homework 5

Lab is due next Tuesday

Do not delay starting it!

Extra time is so you can go to office hours!

PA 3 will be posted over the weekend

Cloud Computing: *A Million Computers in the Sky?*

Professor Tim Wood

Department of Computer Science
The George Washington University

Cloudy Buzz



Google™ Docs



iCloud



Dropbox flickr™

Fast!

XBOX
LIVE.

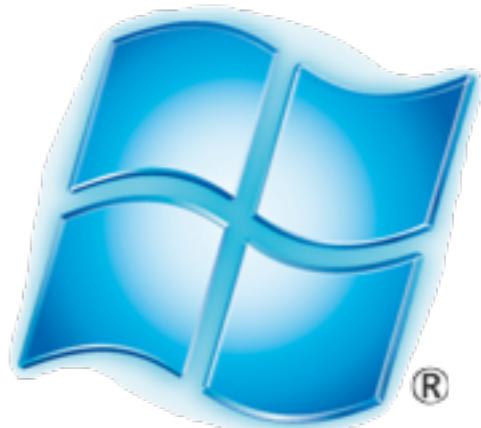


To the
cloud!



amazon
web services™

Free*!



Powerful!

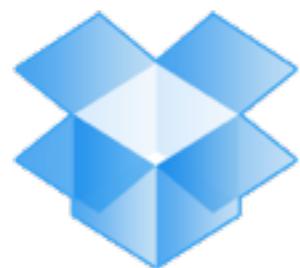
So what is the cloud?

1. A piece of software (email, social network, etc)
2. Storage (online disk backup, image storage, etc)
3. Computing power (power a website, rent a computer online)

What's in common for all of these?



(1)



(2)

Dropbox



(3)

Software Changed



Then



Now

Where and how we run programs has changed

- Network connected
- Mobile
- Multi-media content
- Shared by lots of users

How *big* is a cloud?



Encyclopedias

Encyclopedia Britannica

- 40,000+ articles
- 32 hard bound volumes (32,640 pages)

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Wikipedia

- 4,723,819 articles (in English)
- More than **5 TB** of text (about 7,500 CDs)

Mega whats?

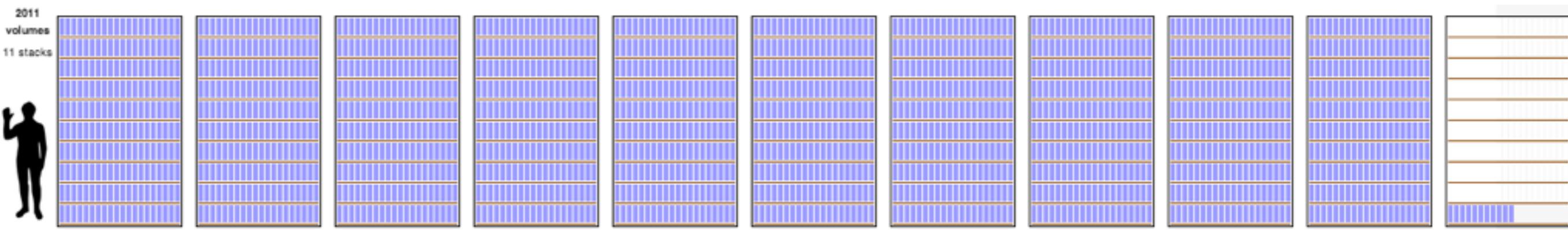
700MB vs 5TB

Mega	Million	$1024 \times 1024 =$ $\sim 1,000,000$
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Wikipedia... in print

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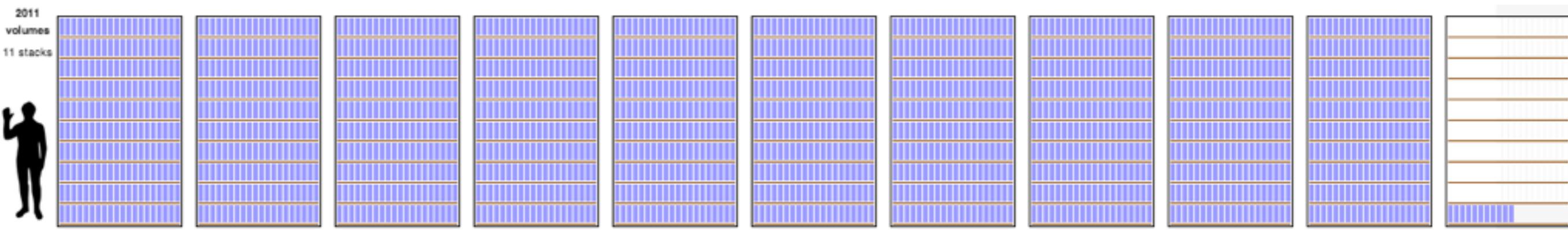
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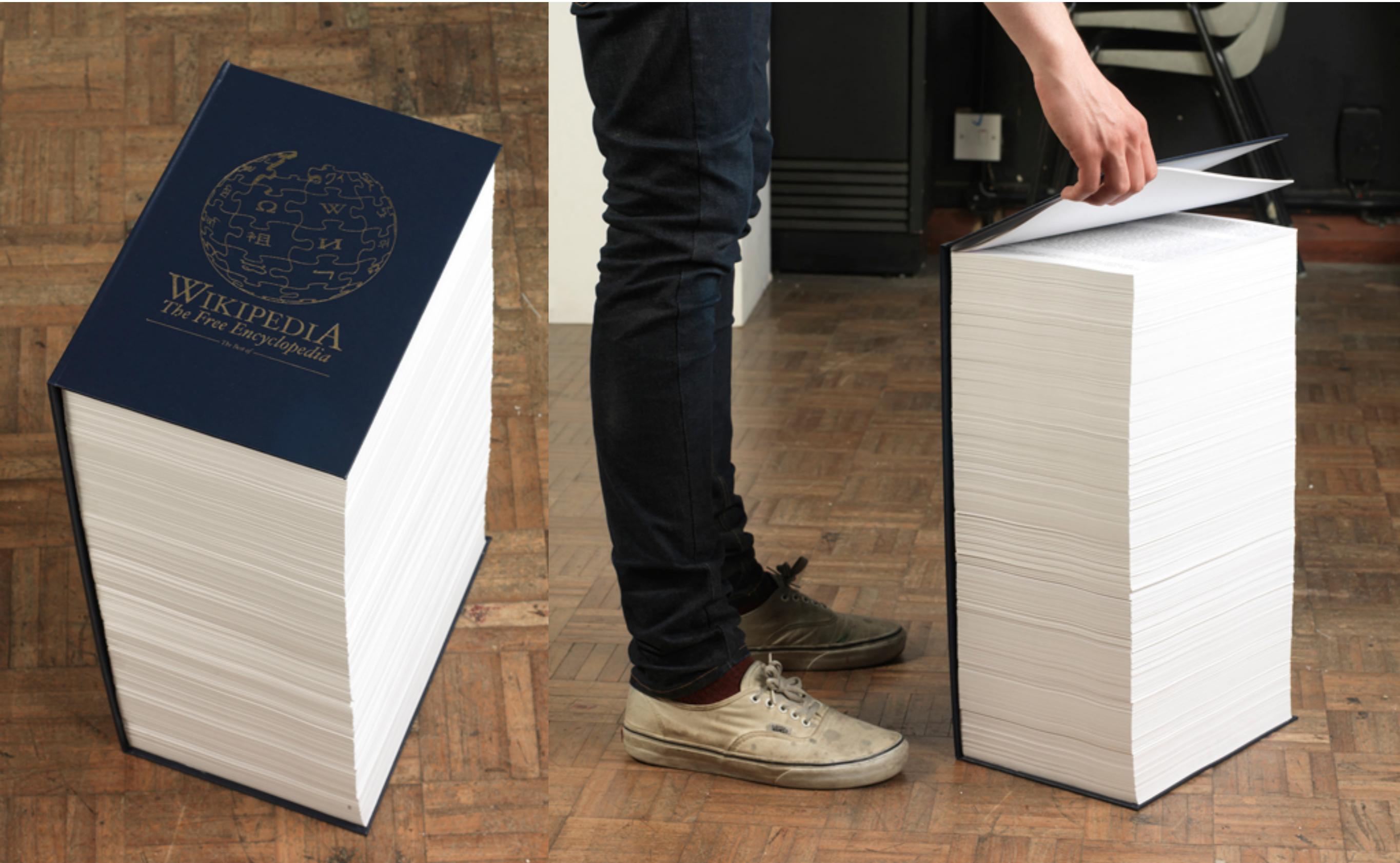
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2,091 volumes!



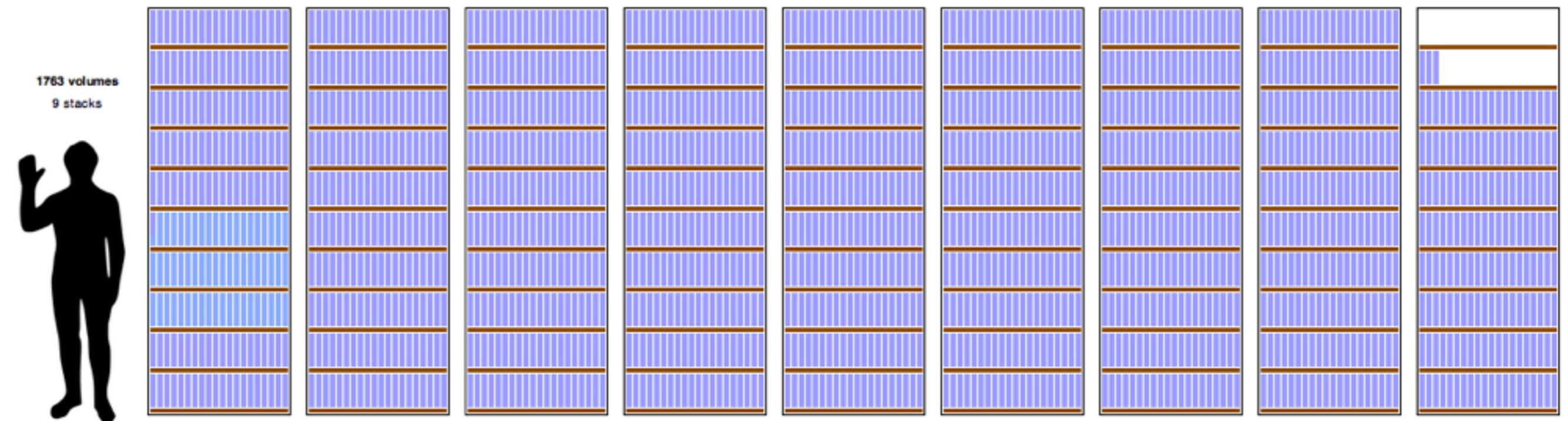
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Perspectives

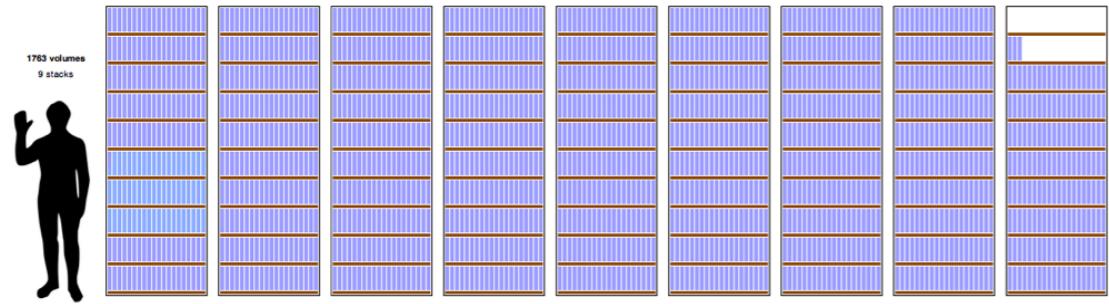
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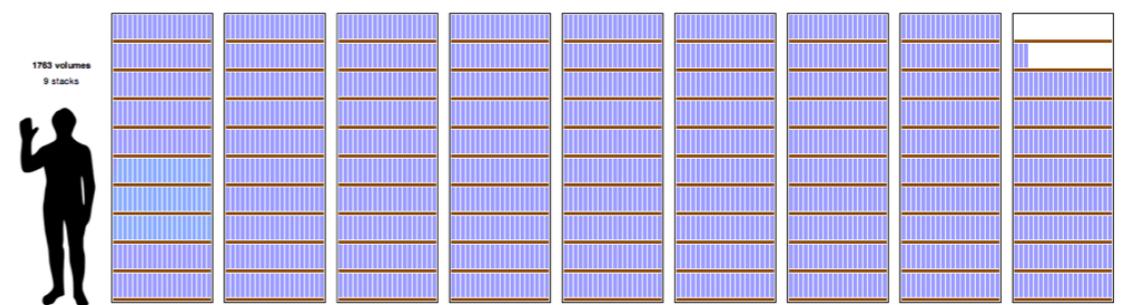
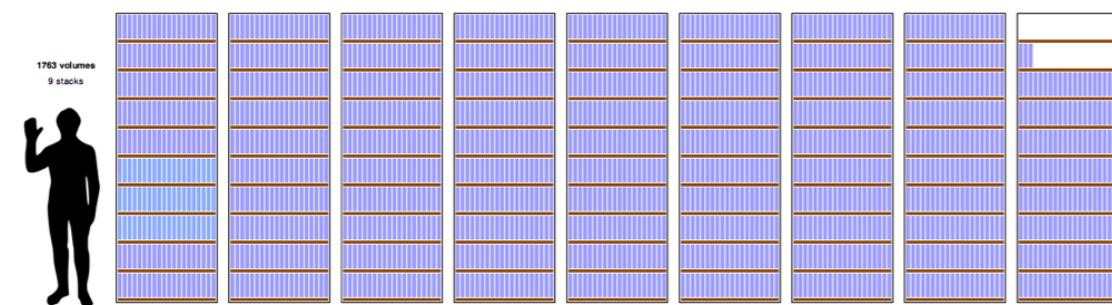
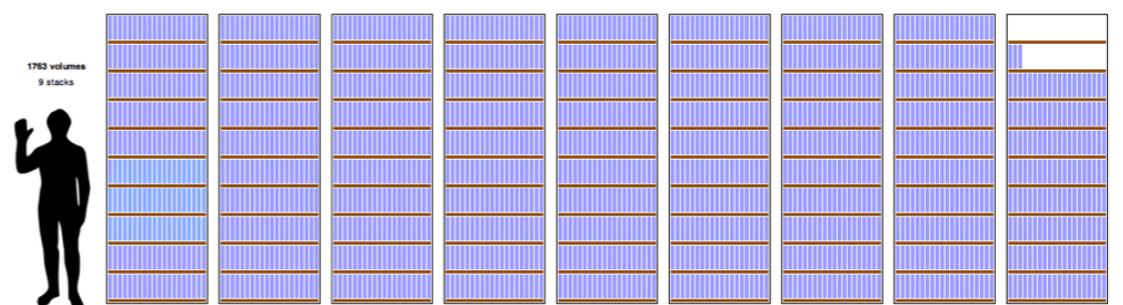
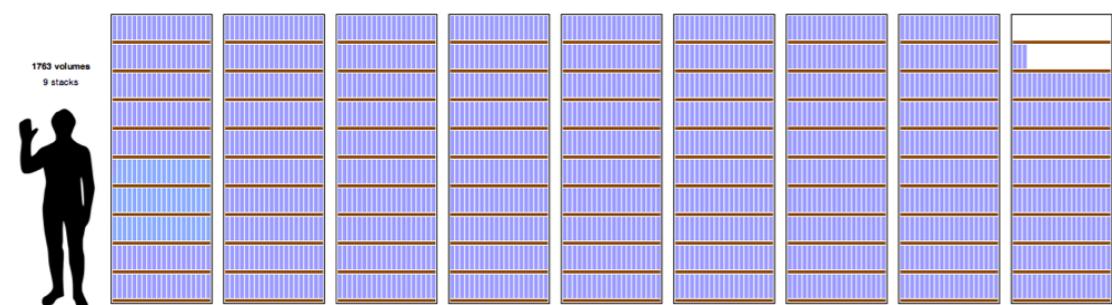
Facebook - ???

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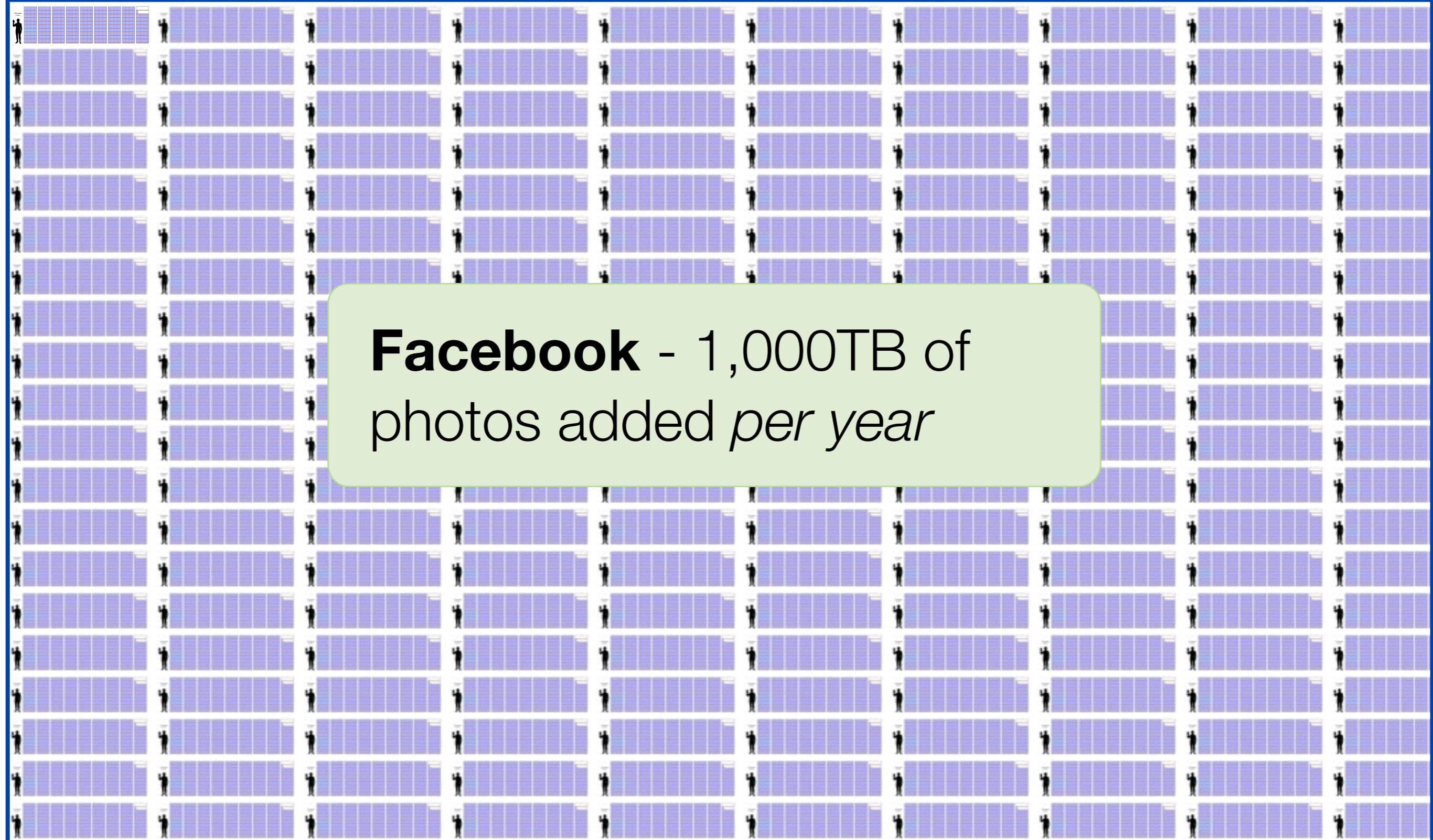
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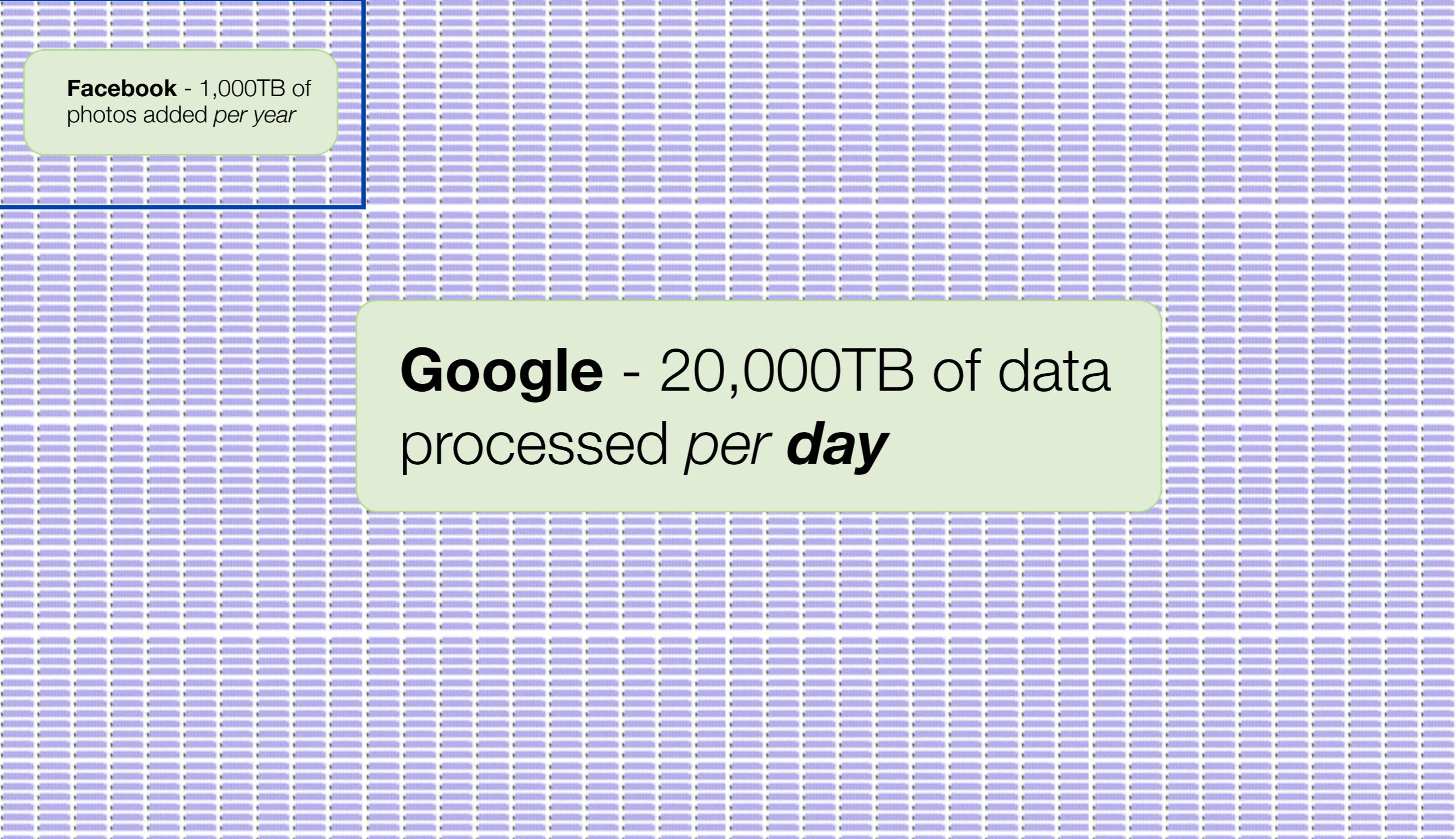
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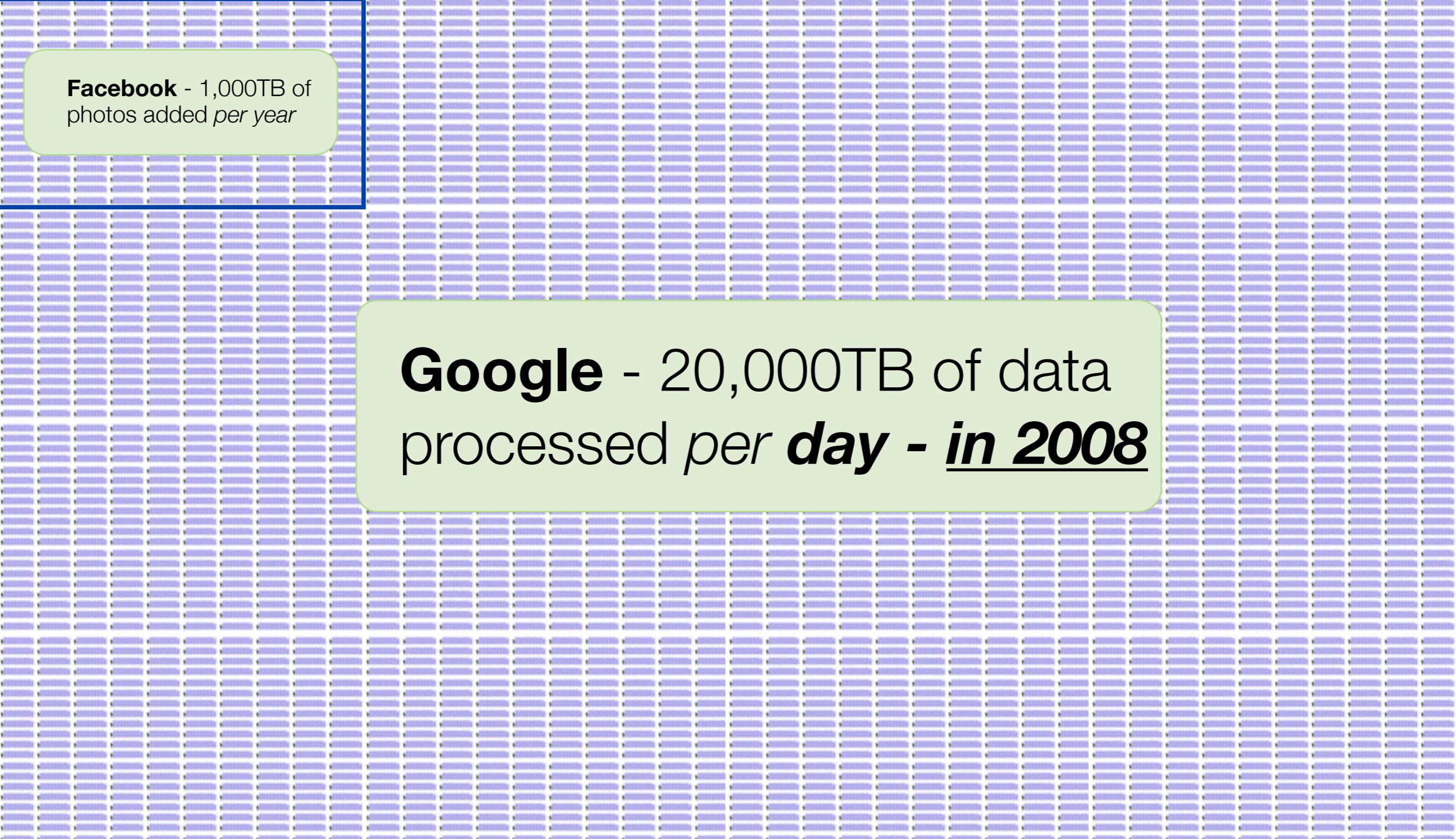


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How can google
process *so much*
information *so*
quickly?

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Buy **another** computer

Processing Data in PARALLEL

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.
- 6.
- 7.
- 8.
- 9.
- 10.
- 11.
- 12.

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11. $1 + 2 + 5 = ?$
12. $6 - 2 = ?$

What about this...?



Computer 1



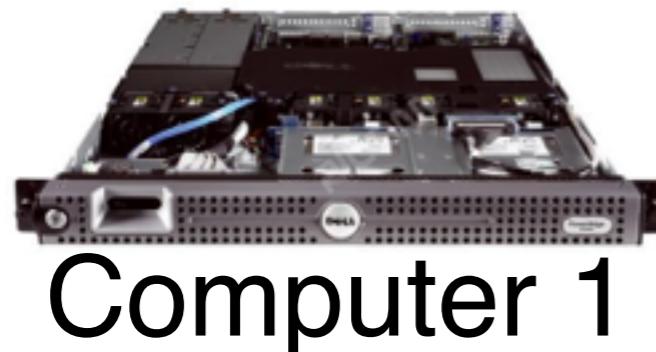
Computer 2



Computer 3

3 volunteers please...

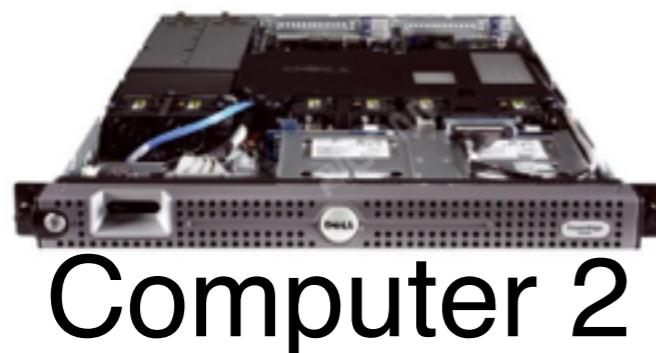
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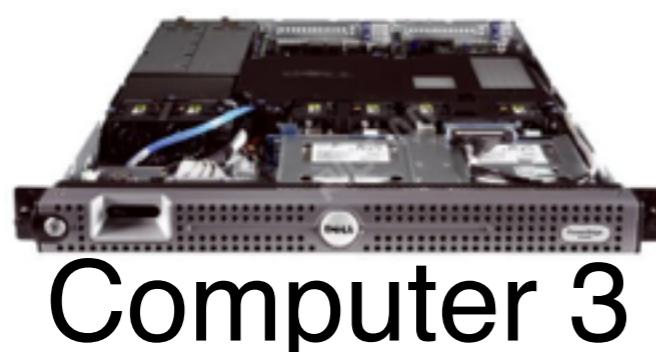
$$b = a + 2$$



Computer 2

$$c = b - 10$$

$$d = 5 * 2$$



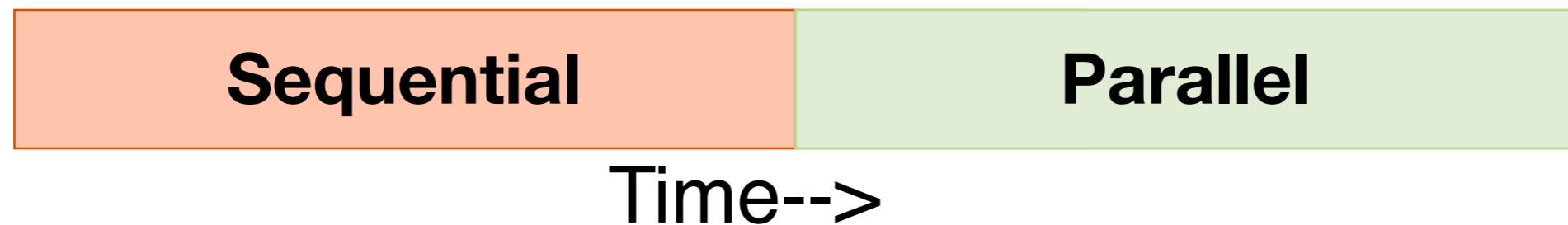
Computer 3

$$e = d + 20$$

$$f = e + d$$

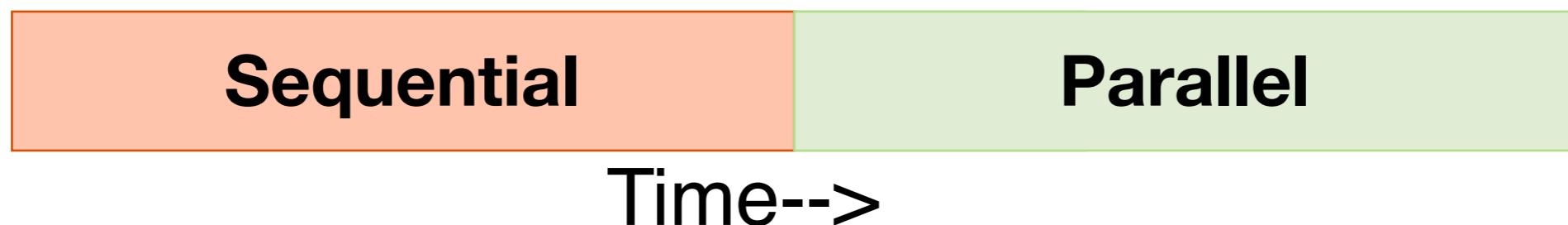
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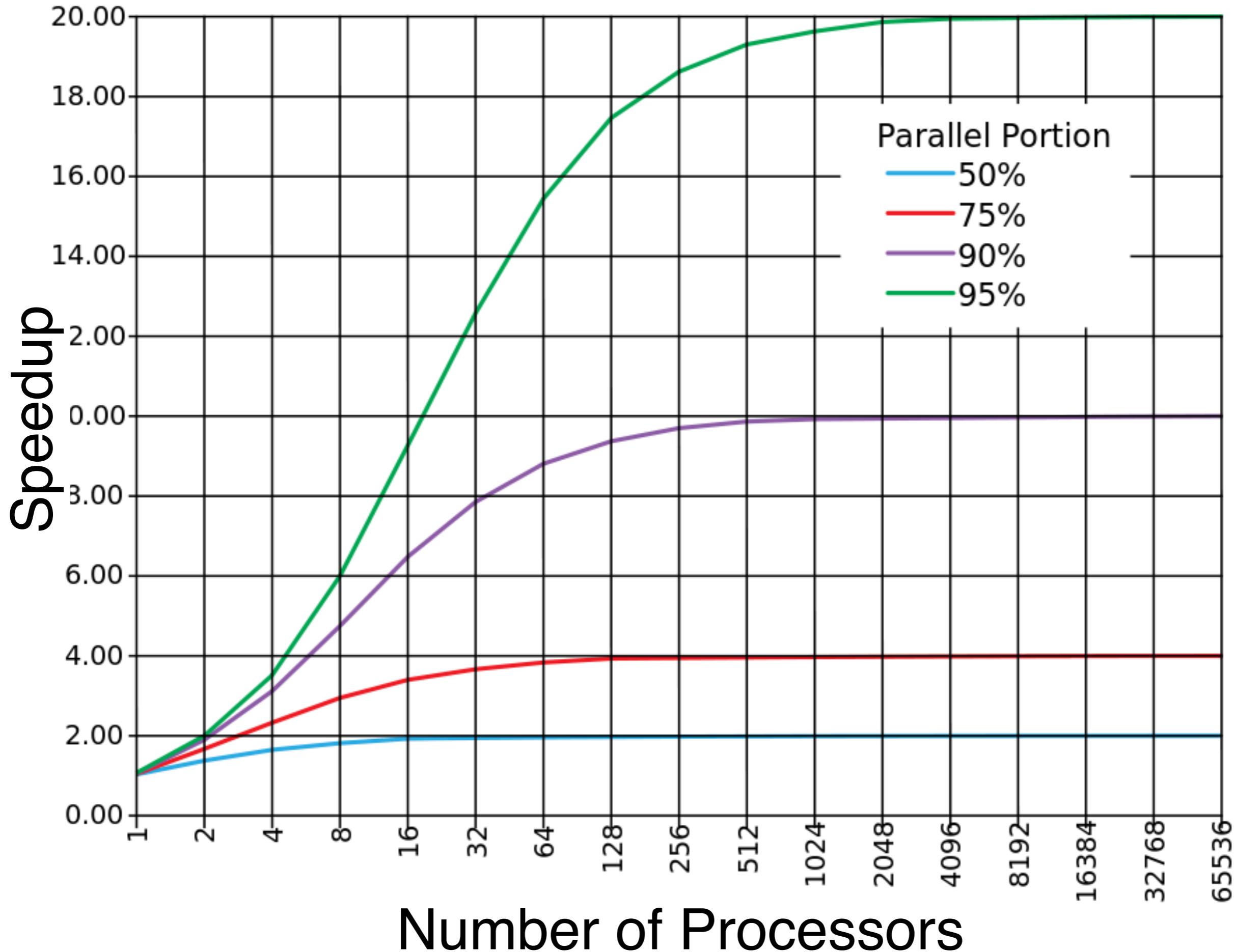
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Note:

Writing software to exploit parallelism is very difficult

- Unless your application is "embarrassingly parallel"
 - lots of small, completely independent tasks

It's not all bad news:

- We may be able to solve **larger** problems in the same amount of time by using parallelism

The cloud gives us lots of computers to run parallel applications

- Software developers need to think about how to divide up their applications

What *is* a cloud?

<spoiler alert>

It's not in the sky

it's not made of water droplets

</spoiler alert>

Some big buildings...



Microsoft's Dublin
data center

... and servers

Giant warehouses

- The size of 10 football fields
- 10s of thousands of servers
- Petabytes of storage



Cloud Computing Goals

Offer fast services to customers worldwide

- Need geographic diversity and high scalability
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... as cheaply as possible

- Users expect services for free*
- Cloud needs to pay for servers, cooling infrastructure, energy, system administrators, etc

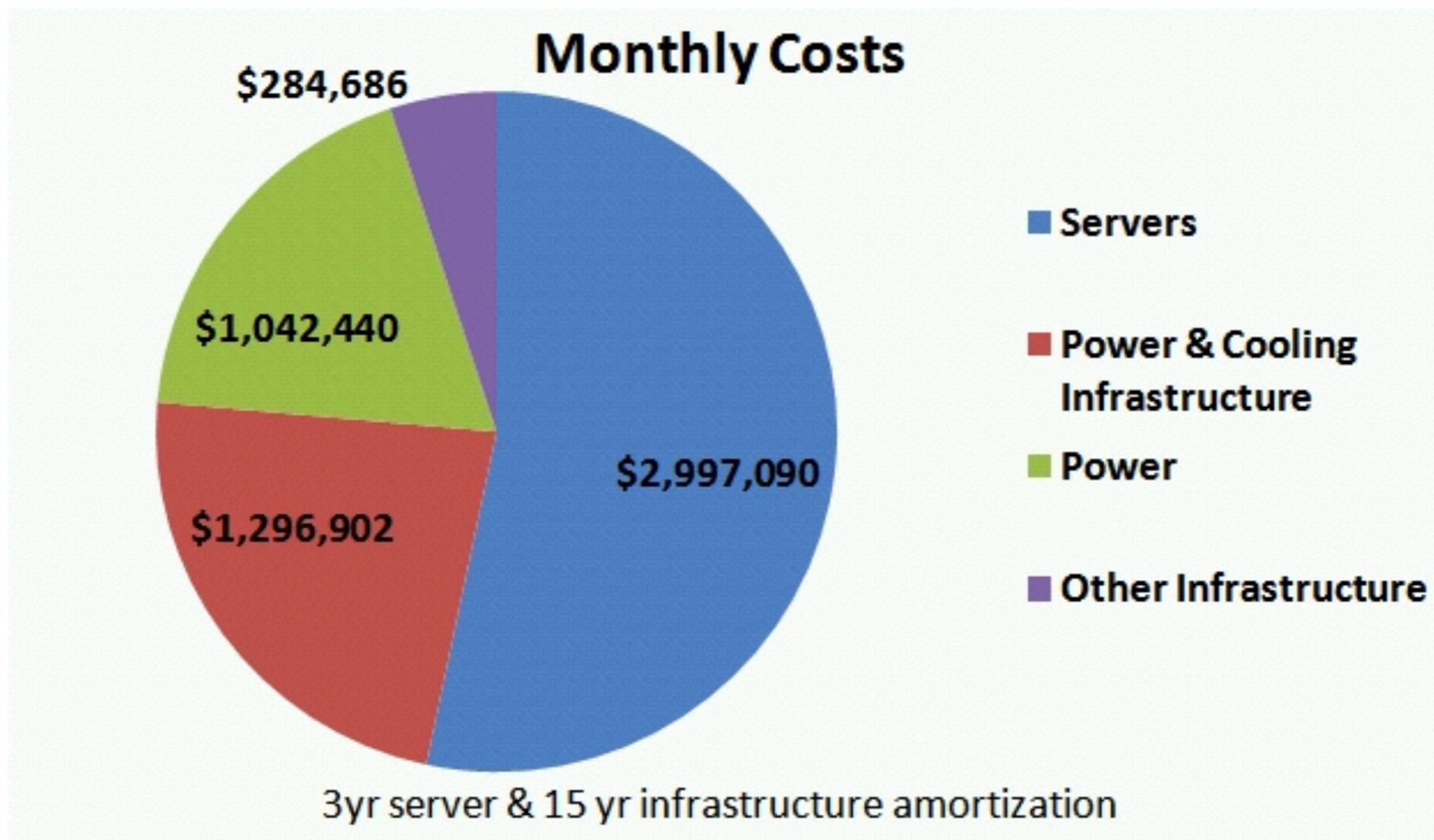
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Why is this *difficult*?



It's not cheap

The cost to run a 50,000 server data center:



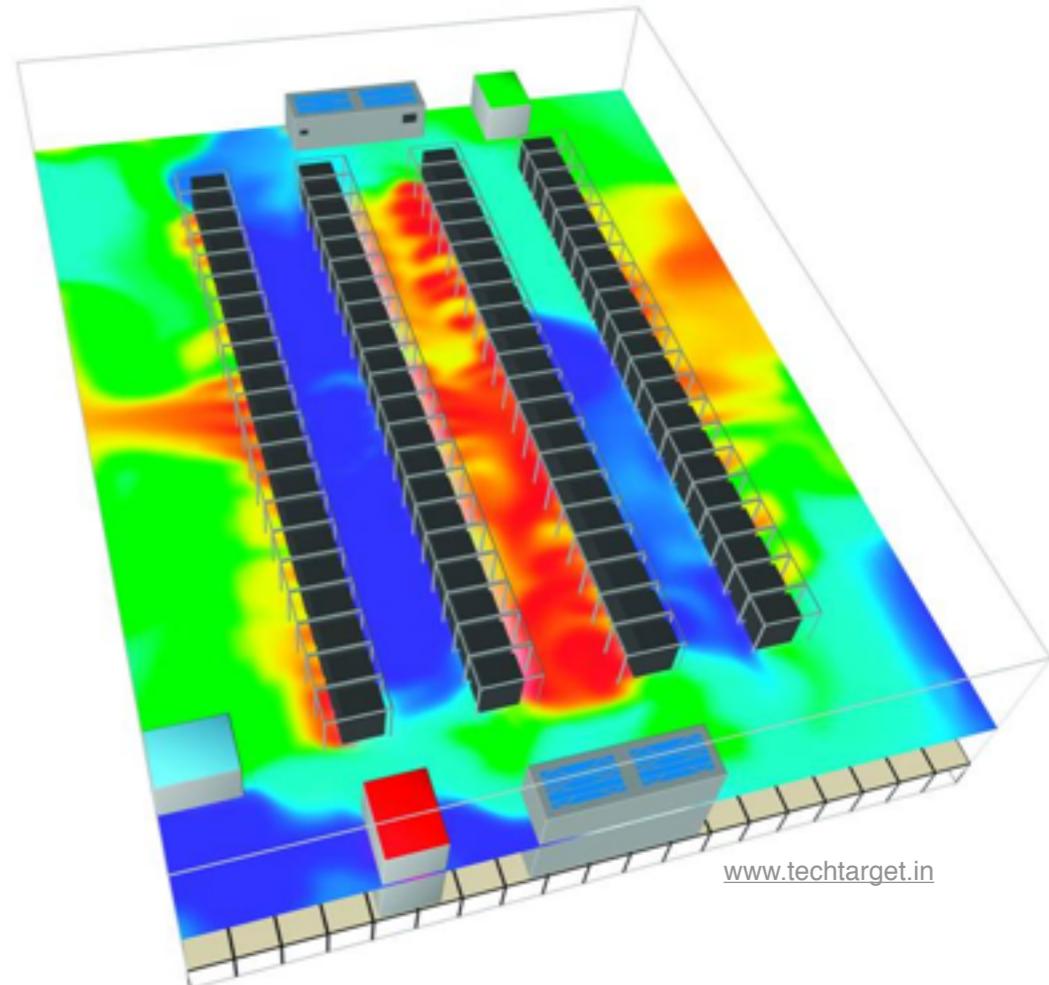
Heat and Power

Computers are hot!

- Thermostat set to 55-72 degrees
- Hot and cold air aisles
- Infrared mapping to find hotspots
- Complex thermodynamic models
- A Finnish data center pipes the heat to warm 1,000 nearby homes

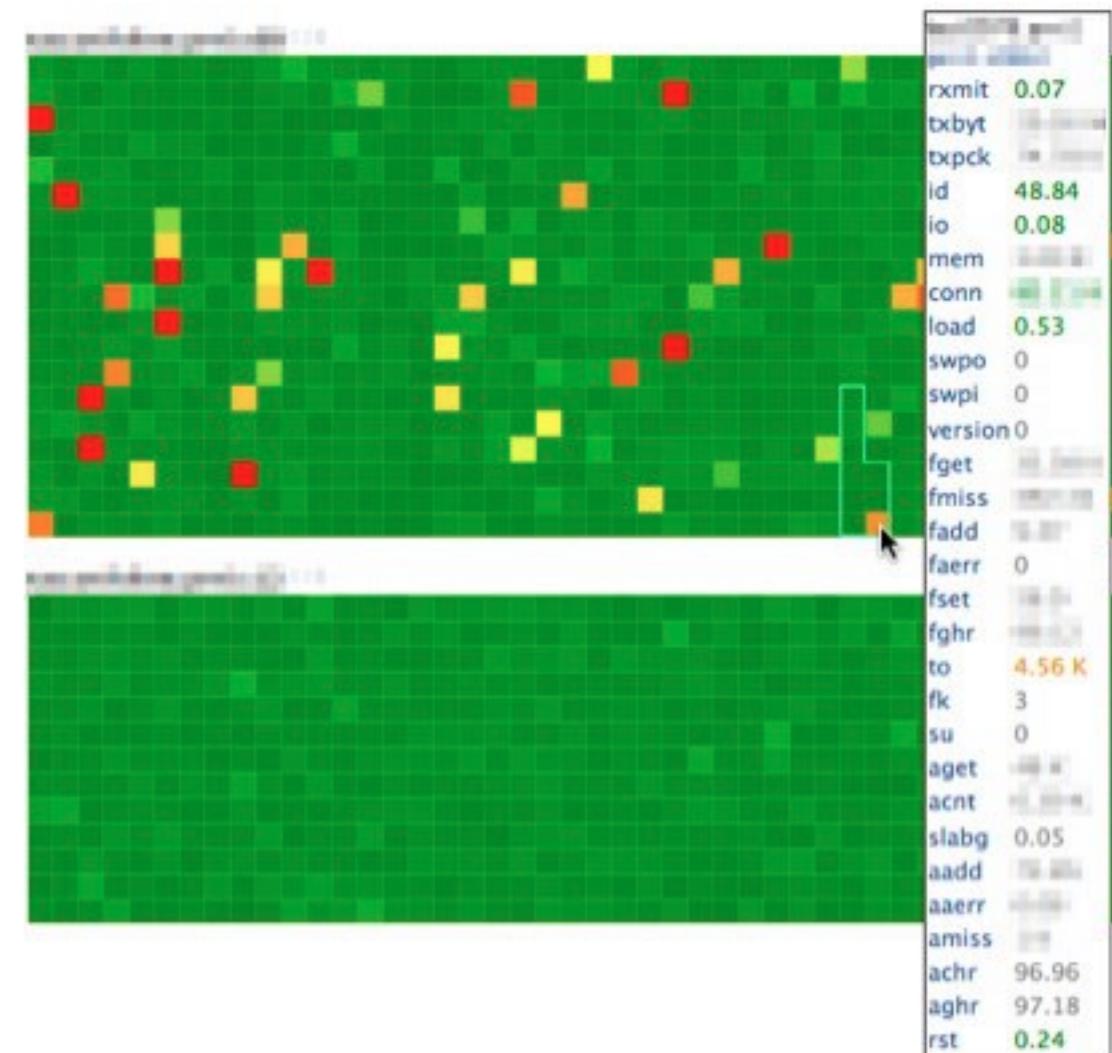
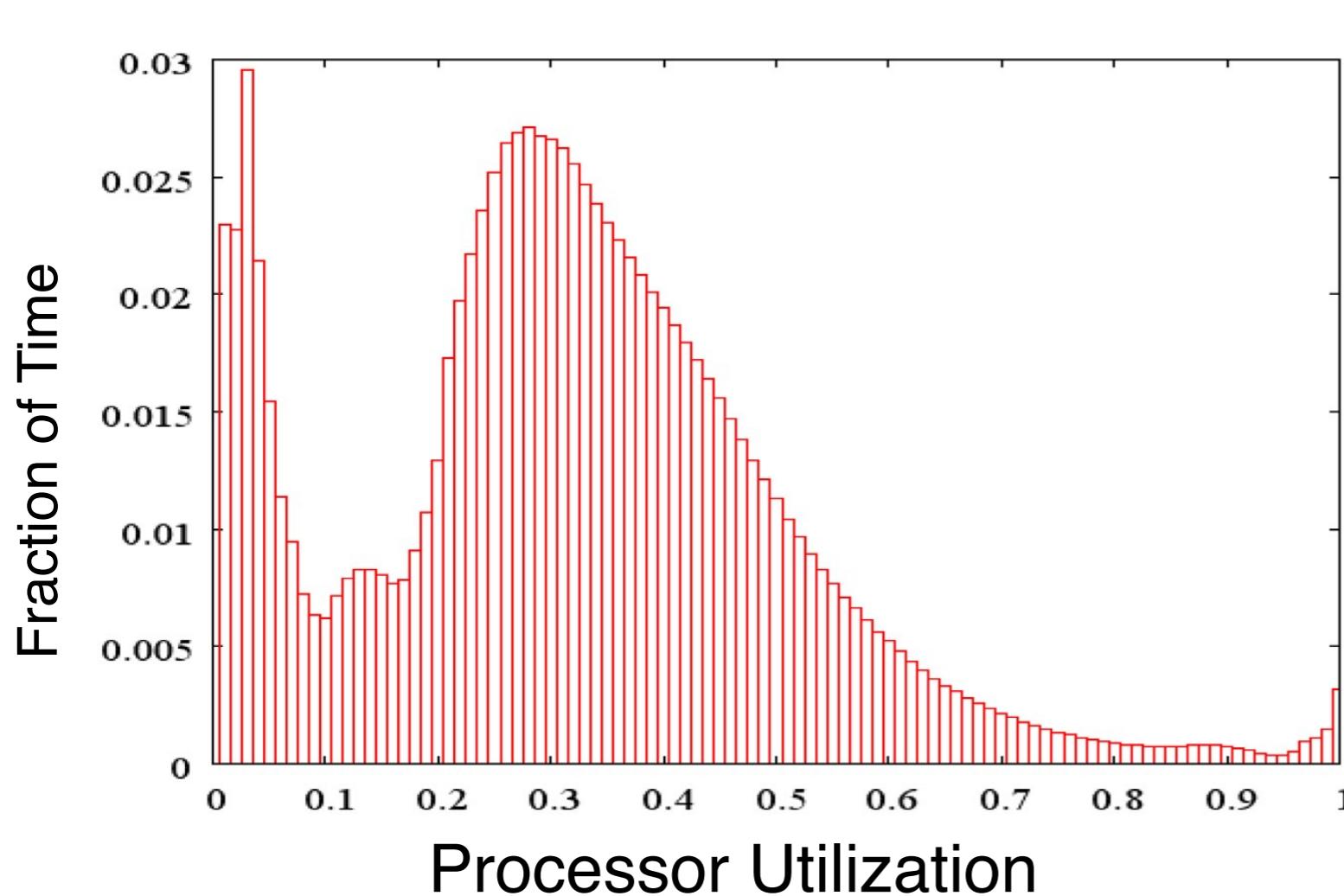
Computers use power!

- Several megawatts per data center
- 1.3% of world electricity usage
- Often, only 50% of a data center's energy goes to actual IT equipment



Server (In)Efficiency

Many servers are poorly utilized



How can we improve this?

Figure from: The Data Center as a Computer by Luiz André Barroso and Urs Hözle

Data Center Connectivity



Global Connectivity



Undersea Cables

- Connect all continents except Antarctica
- First deployed in 1850s



Reliability Issues



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Anchor hits underwater Internet cable (Feb 2012)

Or if you're really unlucky...



vs

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Reliability Challenges

Typical failures in one year of a google data center:

- 1000 individual machine failures
- thousands of hard drive failures
- 1 PDU (Power Distribution Unit) failure (about 500-1000 machines suddenly disappear, budget 6 hours to come back)
- 1 rack-reorganization (You have plenty of warning: 500-1000 machines powered down, about 6 hours)
- 1 network rewiring (rolling 5% of machines down over 2-day span)
- 20 rack failures (40-80 machines instantly disappear, 1-6 hours to get back) 5 racks go wonky (40-80 machines see 50% packet loss)
- 8 network maintenances (4 might cause ~30-minute random connectivity losses)
- 12 router reloads (takes out DNS and external virtual IP address (VIPS) for a couple minutes)
- 3 router failures (immediately stops all network traffic for an hour)
- 0.5% overheat (power down most machines in under five minutes, expect 1-2 days to recover)
- dozens of minor 30-second blips for DNS

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The cloud is made of **physical things**

- Hundreds of thousands of servers
- Each server has a life of about 3 years...
- Worldwide data center energy consumption is 30 billion watts