

# The shortest path to data science excellence



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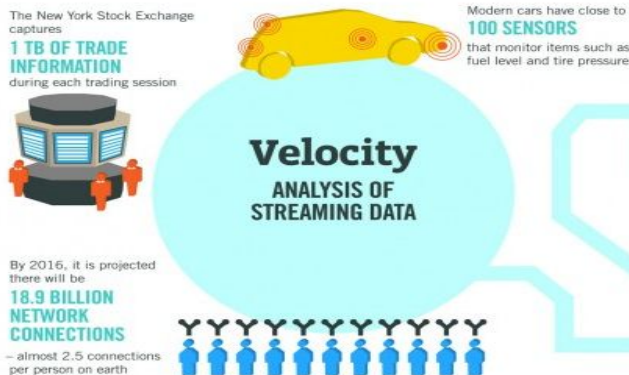
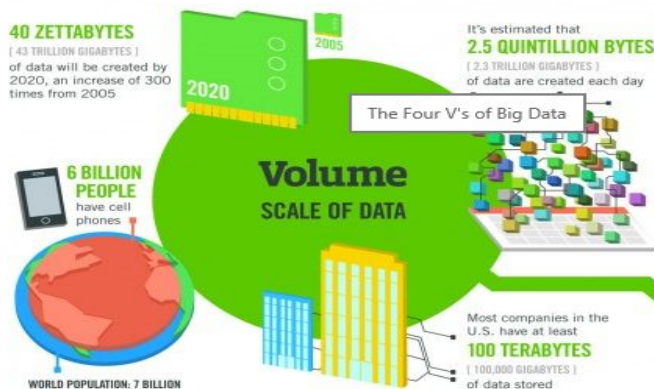
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# A brief history of data science & AI

- **2002:** Doug Cutting and Mike Cafarella started an Apache project called to build an open source search engine
- **June 2003:** Successful 100-million-page demonstration of Nutch
- **Oct 2003:** Google File System paper released
- **Dec 2004:** Google MapReduce paper released
- **2005:** Cutting and Cafarella built a file system and processing framework based on concepts from Google's papers and ported Nutch on top to create the Hadoop core
- **2006:** Cutting joined Yahoo. Yahoo and Cutting spun out the storage and processing parts into an Apache project called
- **2007 to 2008:** Yahoo invests heavily in building out Hadoop
- **2008:** Cloudera, the first commercial Hadoop support company, is formed
- **2009:** Facebook develops Hive, an SQL-like framework for Hadoop
- **2011:** Yahoo spun out HortonWorks. Yahoo's Hadoop cluster has 42,000 nodes and hundreds of PT
- **2012:** Apache Hadoop v1.0 released. YARN introduced.
- **2013:** Support for running Hadoop on Windows introduced in v2.2
- **2014:** **Apache Spark** wins the Terrasort contest
- **2015:** Deep learning is everywhere
- **2016 :** Bots, Spark, Deep learning
- **2017:** AI takes over : alpha Go
- **2018:** AlphaZero and Kubbernetes

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## The FOUR V's of Big Data

From traffic patterns and music downloads to web history and medical records, data is recorded, stored, and analyzed to enable the technology and services that the world relies on every day. But what exactly is big data, and how can these massive amounts of data be used?

As a leader in the sector, IBM data scientists break big data into four dimensions: **Volume, Velocity, Variety and Veracity**

Depending on the industry and organization, big data encompasses information from multiple internal and external sources such as transactions, social media, enterprise content, sensors and mobile devices. Companies can leverage data to adapt their products and services to better meet customer needs, optimize operations and infrastructure, and find new sources of revenue.

By 2015, **4.4 MILLION IT JOBS** will be created globally to support big data, with 1.9 million in the United States



As of 2011, the global size of data in healthcare was estimated to be

**150 EXABYTES**  
[ 161 BILLION GIGABYTES ]



**30 BILLION PIECES OF CONTENT** are shared on Facebook every month



**Variety**  
DIFFERENT FORMS OF DATA

By 2014, it's anticipated there will be

**420 MILLION WEARABLE, WIRELESS HEALTH MONITORS**

**4 BILLION+ HOURS OF VIDEO** are watched on YouTube each month

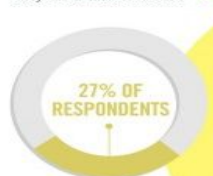


**400 MILLION TWEETS** are sent per day by about 200 million monthly active users



**1 IN 3 BUSINESS LEADERS**

don't trust the information they use to make decisions



in one survey were unsure of how much of their data was inaccurate

**Veracity**  
UNCERTAINTY OF DATA

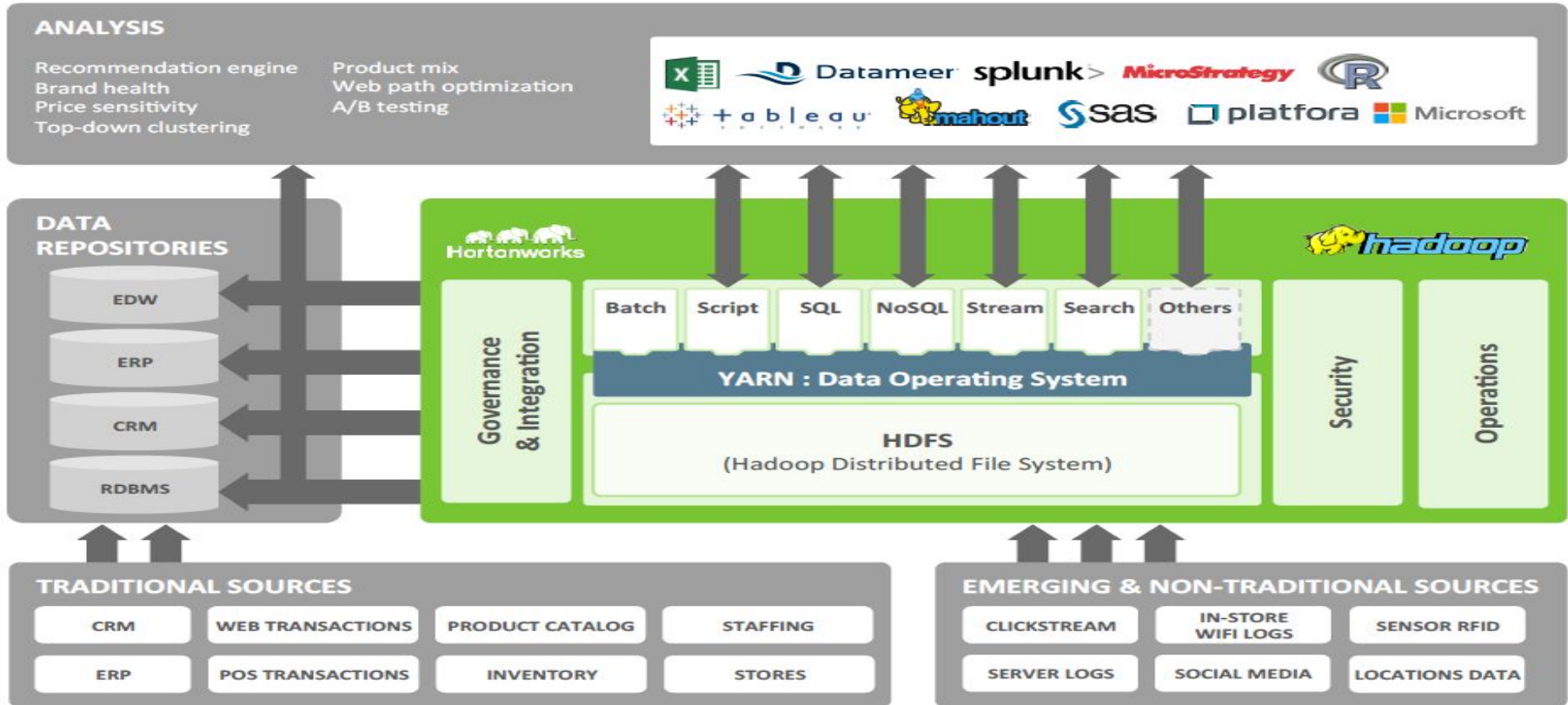
Poor data quality costs the US economy around

**\$3.1 TRILLION A YEAR**



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## Hadoop for Retail



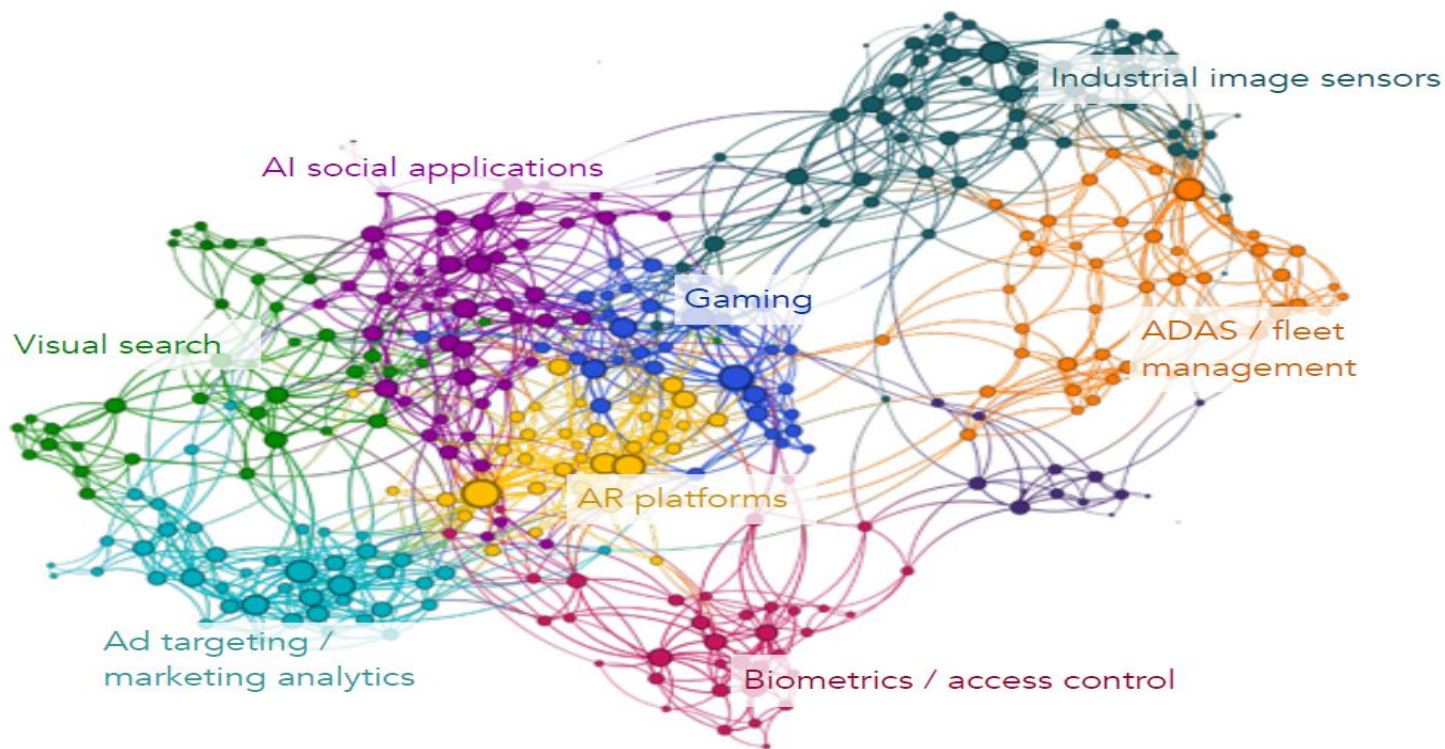
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INDUSTRY	USE CASE	DATA TYPE								
		Sensor	Server Logs	Text	Social	Geographic	Machine	Clickstream	Structured	Unstructured
Financial Services	New Account Risk Screens		✓	✓						
	Trading Risk		✓							
	Insurance Underwriting	✓		✓		✓				
Telecom	Call Detail Records (CDR)					✓	✓			
	Infrastructure Investment		✓				✓			
	Real-time Bandwidth Allocation		✓	✓	✓					
Retail	360° View of the Customer			✓				✓		
	Localized, Personalized Promotions					✓				
	Website Optimization							✓		
Manufacturing	Supply Chain and Logistics	✓								
	Assembly Line Quality Assurance	✓								
	Crowd-sourced Quality Assurance				✓					
Healthcare	Use Genomic Data in Medial Trials	✓							✓	
	Monitor Patient Vitals in Real Time									
Pharmaceuticals	Recruit and Retain Patients for Drug Trials				✓			✓		
	Improve Prescription Adherence				✓	✓				✓
Oil & Gas	Unify Exploration & Production Data	✓				✓				✓
	Monitor Rig Safety in Real Time	✓								✓

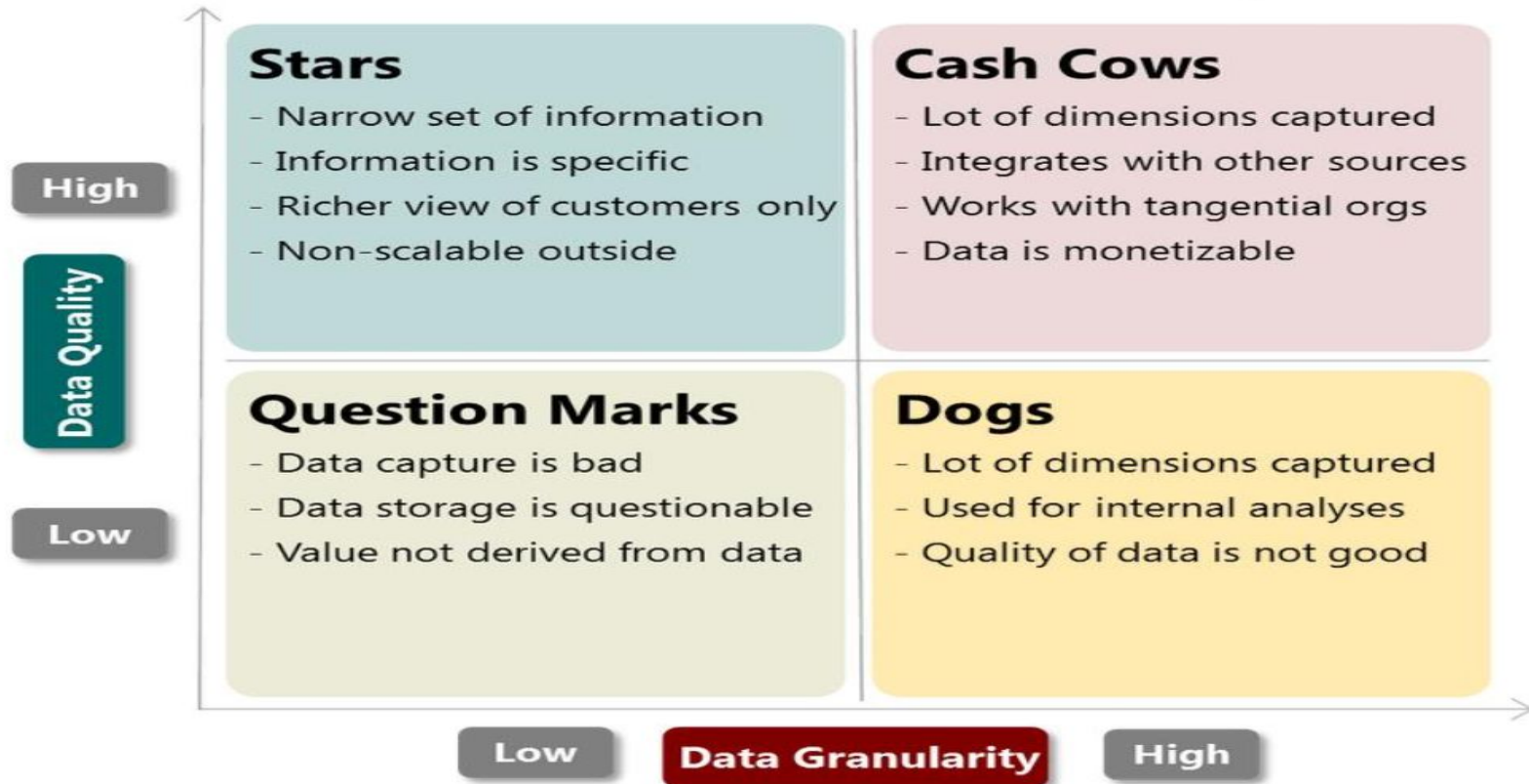


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## Computer Vision startup ecosystem



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# Obstacles on the road to AI excellence

1. Legacy systems and architectures
  - The ‘all or nothing’ approach
  - The system compatibility issues
2. Skills gap and team resistance
  - Limited amount of skilled employees with the necessary combination of skills
  - Efficient data science teams should include people with Business, engineering & statistics backgrounds
3. Irrational expectations

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# Recruiting data scientists: the leader

1. Start your journey with very experienced hire (5-10+ years)
2. The first hire should be a **communicator**
3. The first hire must have data engineering and **infrastructure know how**
4. The first hire must have **algorithmic training**
5. The first hire must have **statistical analysis knowledge**
6. The first hire must have **business experience**

# Recruiting data scientists: the set up

1. Initially, pick a couple of test projects with short development cycles to evidence success
2. Express strong managerial support by including him in strategic meetings and identify pockets of resistance
  1. Ask him to devote 10% of his time for internal training
  2. Find a way to let existing IT managers and analysts be part of the process
  3. Ask the devops team to be fully available to him to set up the environment from day 1: it is going to much take longer than they both think

# Recruiting data scientists: the team

1. Don't let the leader recruit alone
2. Communication skills almost as important as technical skills
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