

# Principles of Distributed Systems, Cloud Computing, and Big Data Processing

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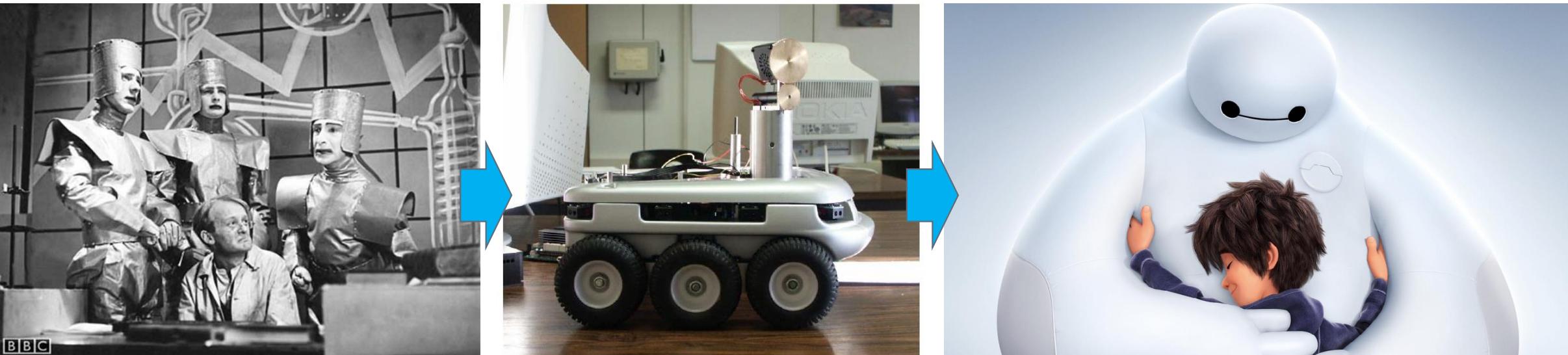


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## PARALELLIZATION AND GRID INTEGRATION OF A MOBILE ROBOTICS APPLICATION



Karel Čapek,  
Rossumovi Univerzální Roboti

1921

Author:

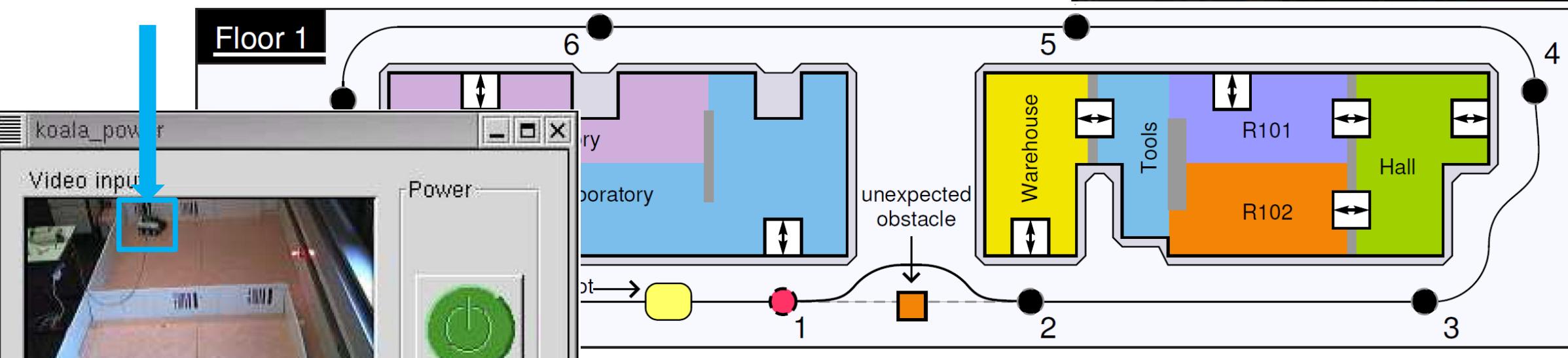
Alexandru IOSUP

2003

Disney,  
Big Hero 6

2016

# A Robot Rolls\* Into a Bar...



\* 2013 clip, reminds me of my 2003 adventures:  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LXOHS19wUnY>

# What Is a Robot?



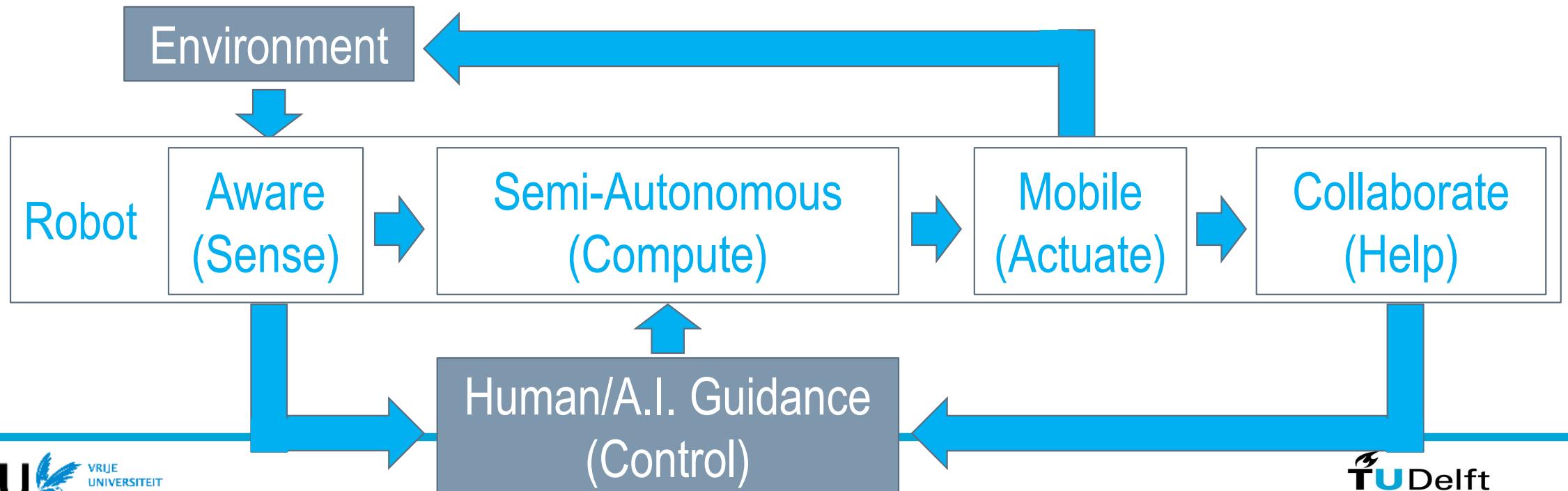
1. “By the late 1920s, just about any machine that replaced a human job with automation or remote control was referred to as a robot.” [1]  
→ An *industrial robot* is any device that replaces human labor. (JP)
  - A computer running a program, even an abacus, is a robot
  
2. “An *industrial robot* is a multifunctional, **reprogrammable** manipulator that can move materials, pieces, tools and special devices, following variable programmed **trajectories**, to realize **different tasks**.”  
Robotics Industry Association, USA
  - Must have a body, traverse the real world
  - A conveyor belt is a robot



# What Is a Robot? Sense-Compute-Actuate-Help [1]

(My definition) A *robot* is an object manipulator that, in a robot-swarm:

- Is **self-aware**, using sensorial and historical data to reason about its state and goals
- Is **semi-autonomous**, taking in minimal hints to guide **itself** and hint its **swarm**
- Is **mobile** relative to its environment, possibly also relative to its swarm-mates



# Today's State of the Art



self-driving car



exoskeleton



auto-parking



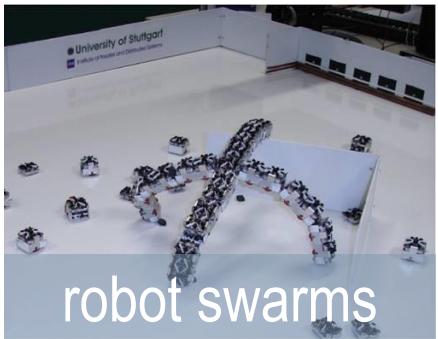
robo pets



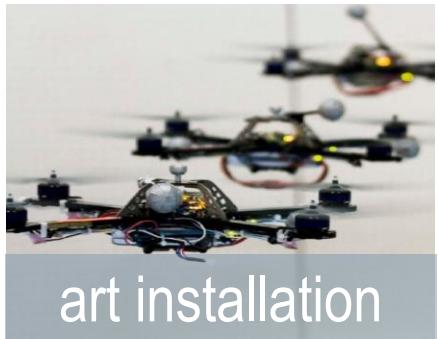
serve and protect



disaster area navi



robot swarms



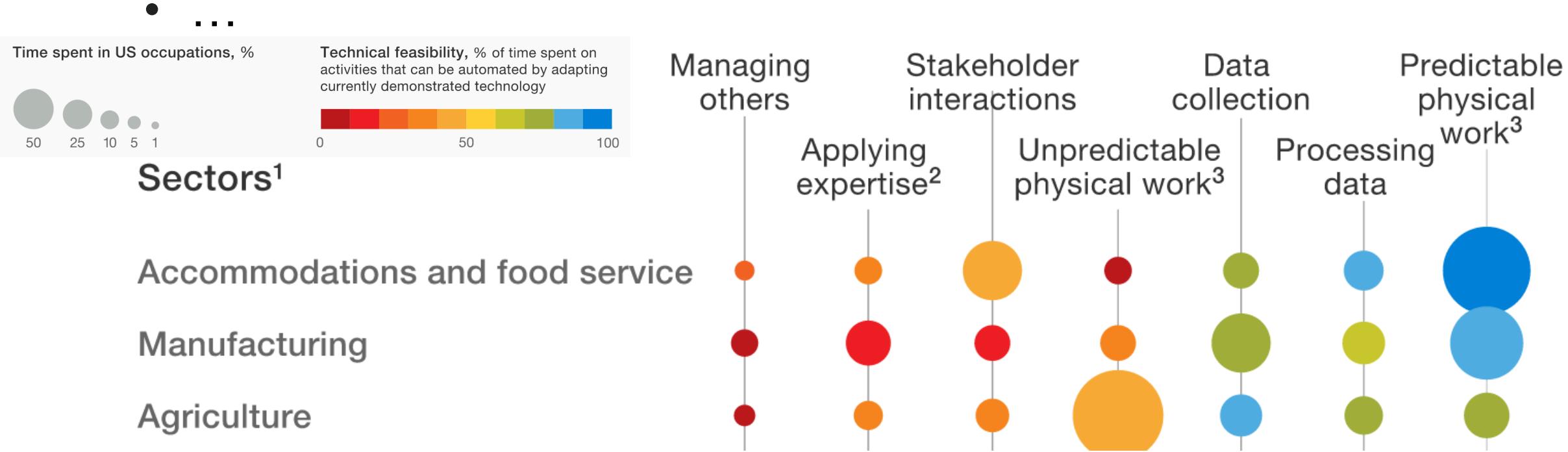
art installation



be my doctor

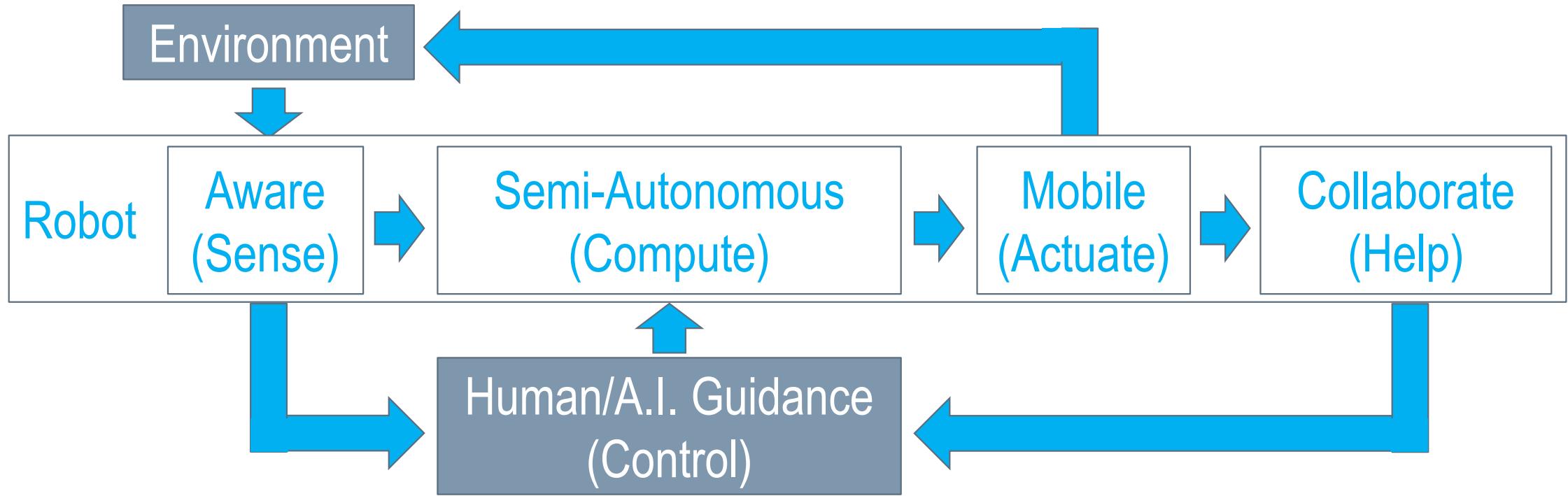
# Much to Do in Robotics

- Building modern robotics-based systems (this lecture)
- Ethics, from Asimov's Three Laws to The Future of Jobs
- ...



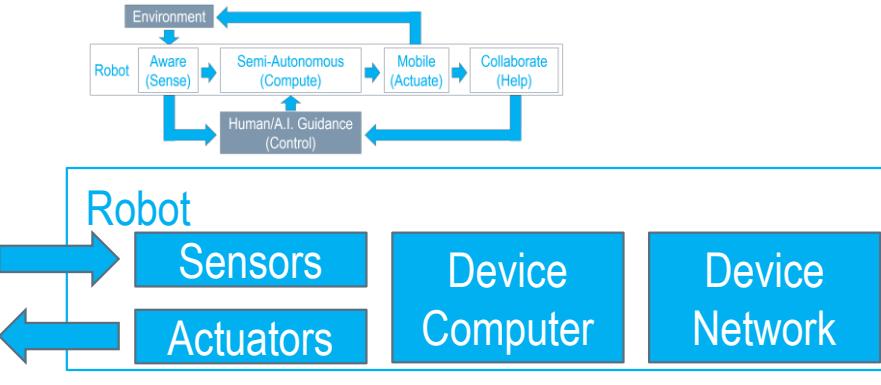
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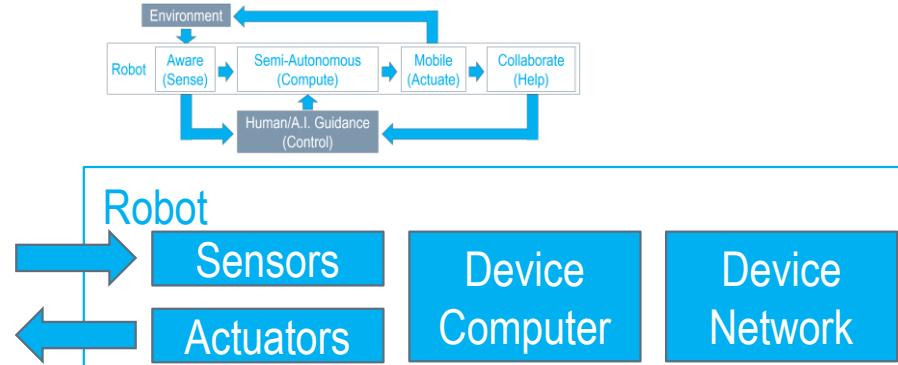


How to get hints from  
the human controller?

# A Reference Architecture for Robotics Systems

ENVIRONMENT

## One Robot



Human/A.I. Guidance  
(Control)

Internet Network  
(WiFi, LiFi,  
Cellular,  
etc.)

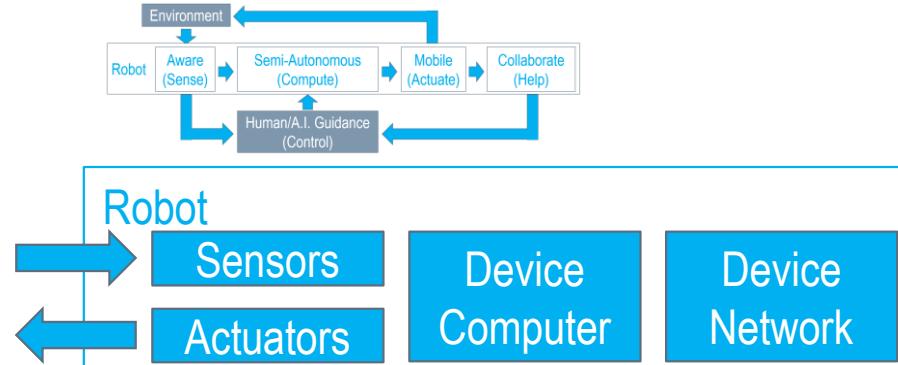
What if hints need to be timely, cannot traverse the Internet in time?

What if guidance should integrate hints from multiple controllers?

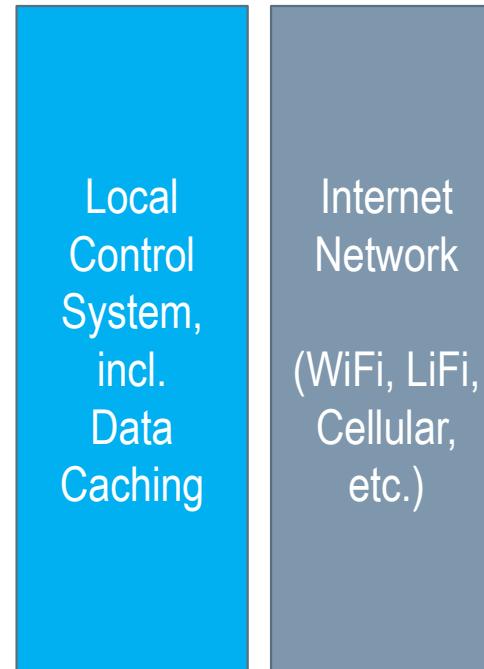
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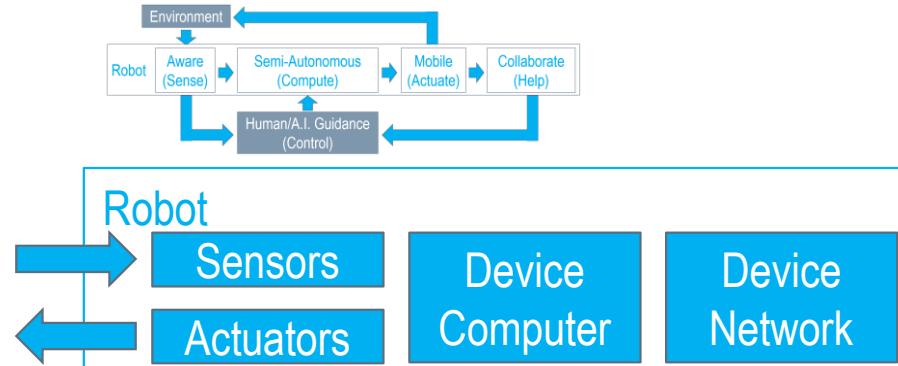


What if hints require  
complex data  
processing, algorithms?

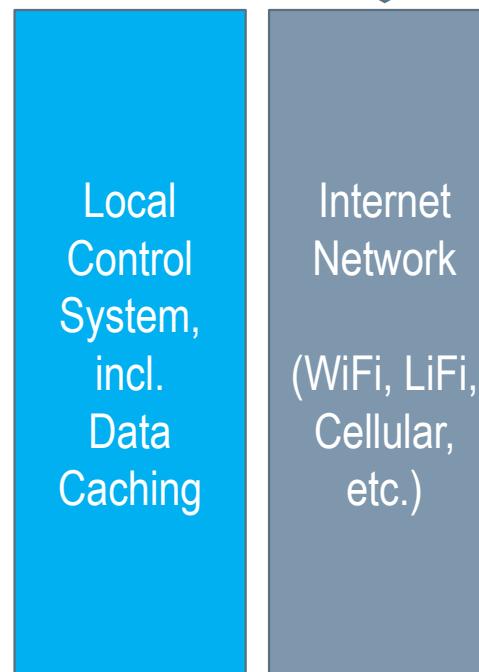
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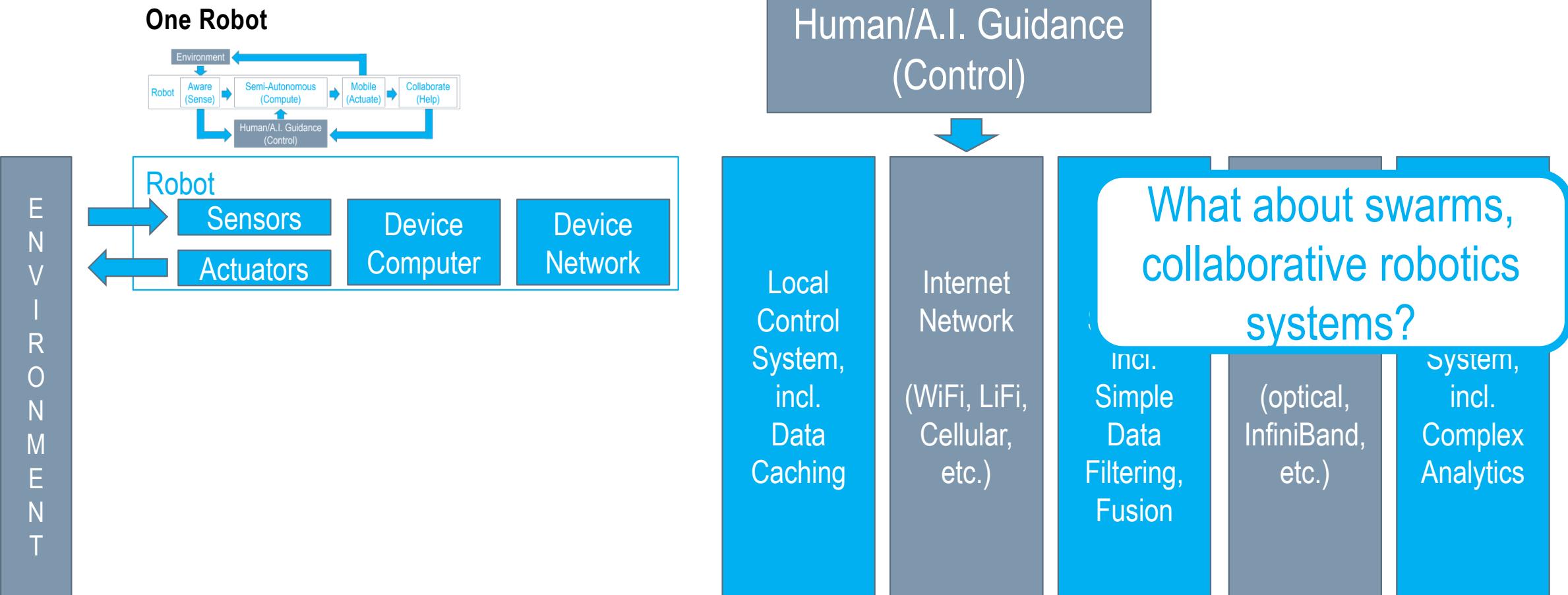
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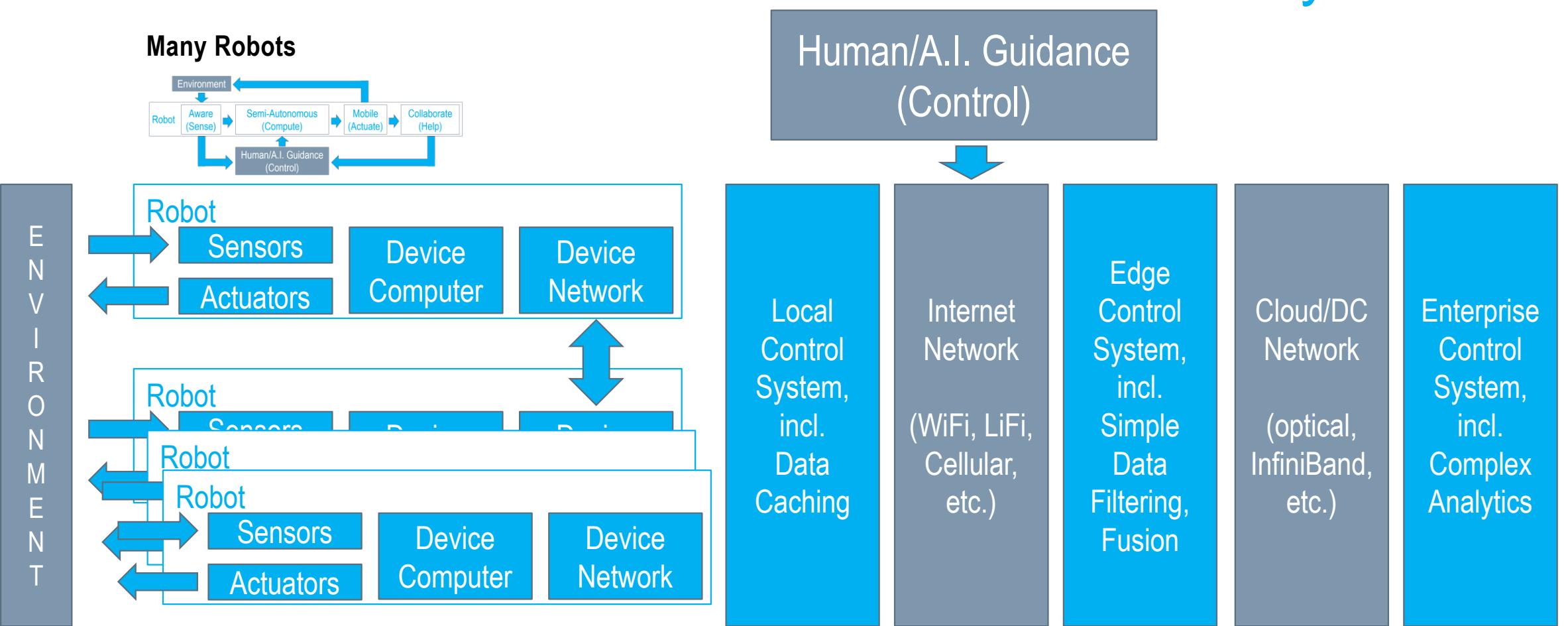
Timely hints, iff. based  
on simple data  
processing, algorithms?

Avoid large data  
transfers when  
unnecessary?

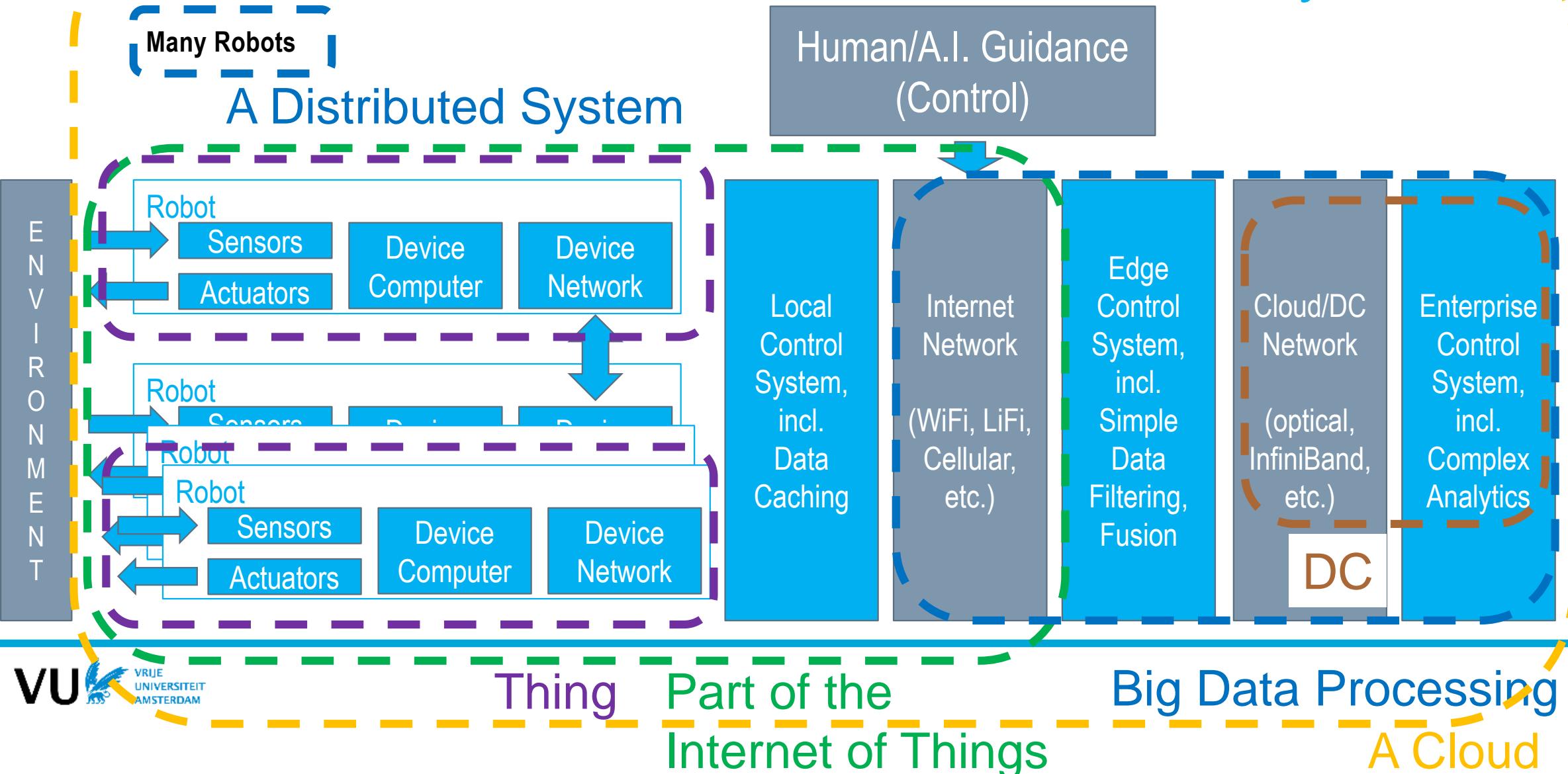
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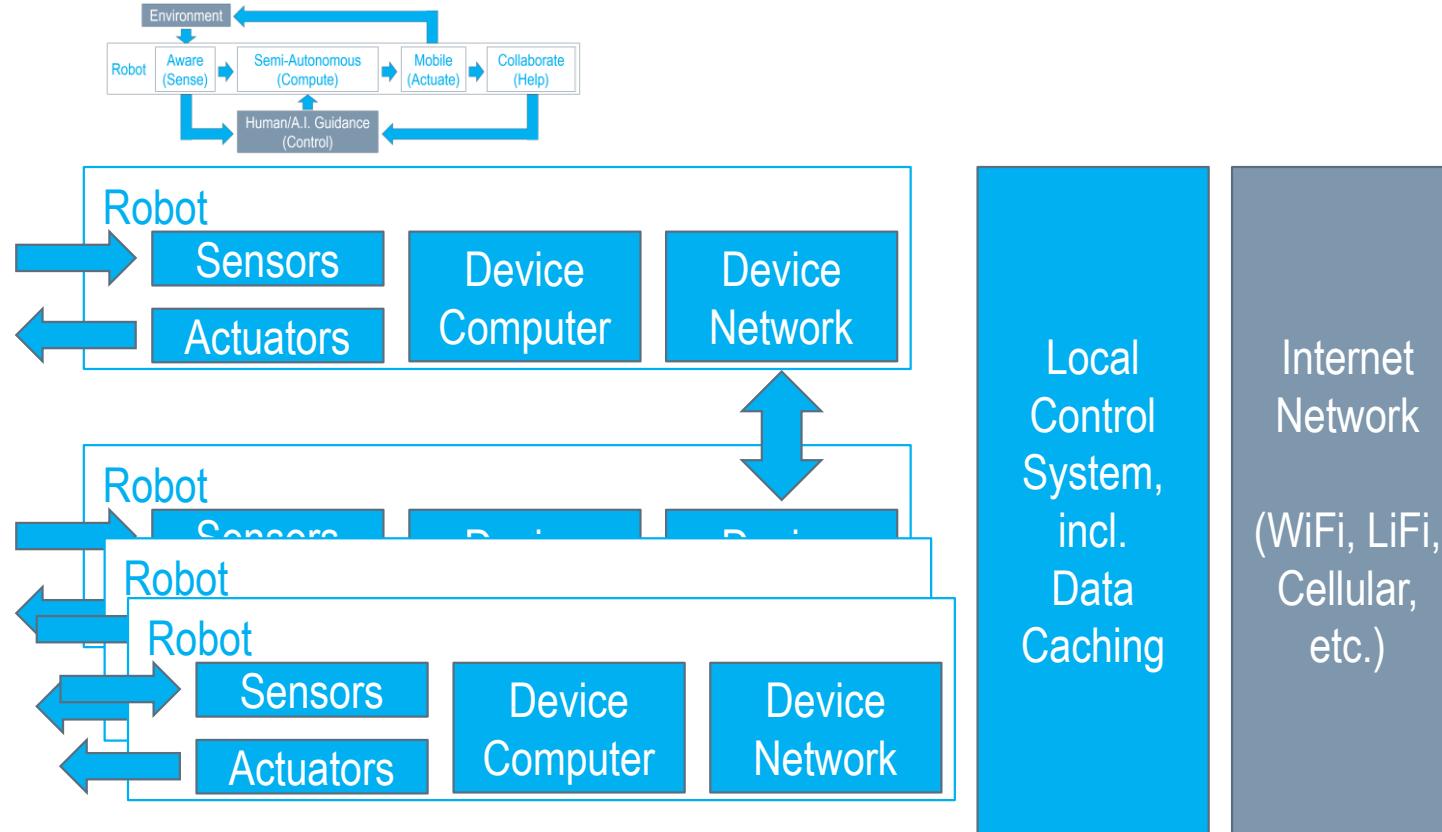
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# A Short Introduction to Distributed Systems

## Many Robots

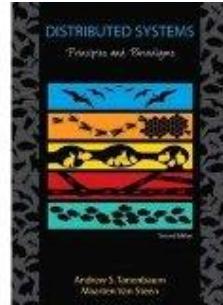
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# What is a Distributed System?

*“A collection of independent computers that appears to its users as a single coherent system*

- **Steen and Tanenbaum** in  
Distributed Systems: Principles and Paradigms



*“You know you have a distributed system when the crash of a computer you’ve never heard of stops you from getting any work done.”*

- **Leslie Lamport** in Security Engineering, Ch.6

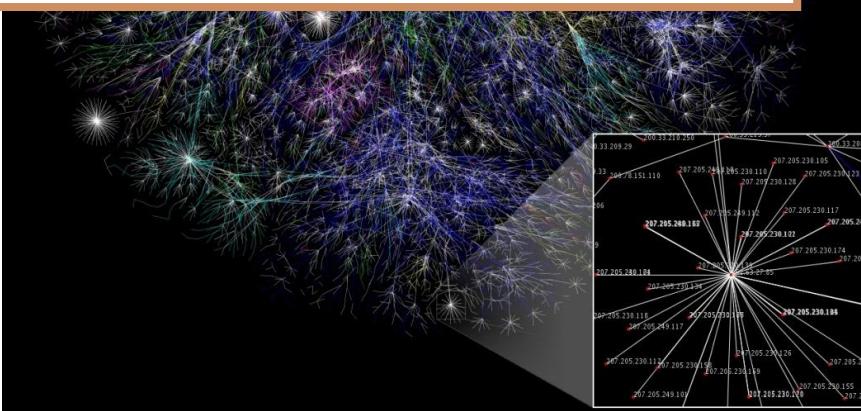
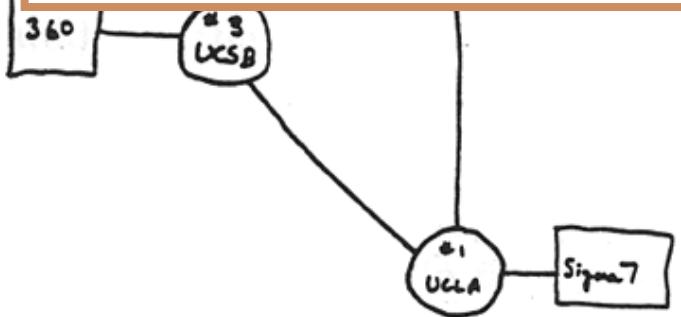
*“an application that executes a collection of protocols to coordinate the actions of multiple processes on a network, such that all components cooperate together to perform a single or small set of related tasks.”*

- Google University, Introduction to DS Design  
<http://www.hpcs.cs.tsukuba.ac.jp/~tatebe/lecture/h23/dsys/dsd-tutorial.html>

# The Internet Is a Distributed System



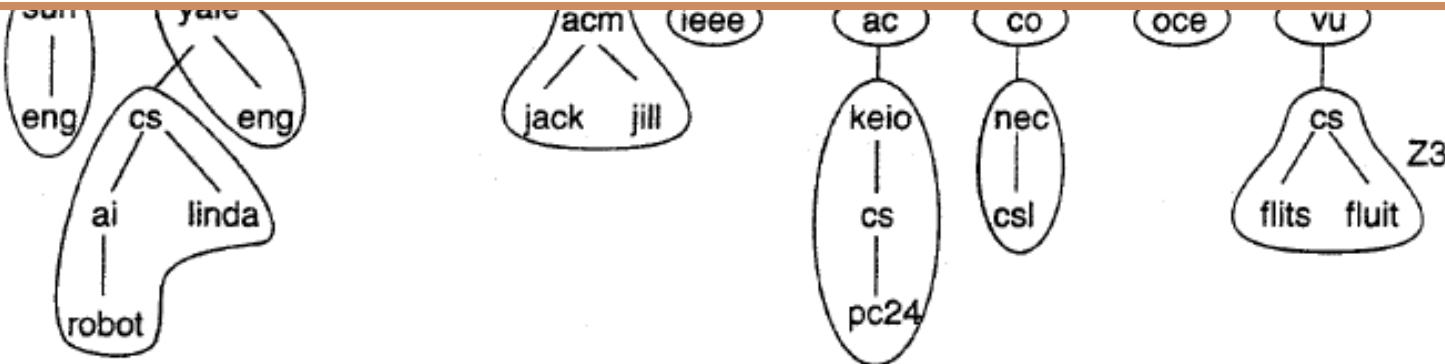
# Q: Who owns the Internet? (the autonomy question)



# The Domain Name System (DNS)



**Q:** Who responds to the request?  
(the **cooperation** question)



# The Google Data Centers



Q: How to compile the query answer?  
(the **communication** question)



[View our data centers](#) in a larger map

## Americas

Berkeley County, South Carolina

Council Bluffs, Iowa

Douglas County, Georgia

Quilicura, Chile

Mayes County, Oklahoma

Lenoir, North Carolina

The Dalles, Oregon

## Asia

Hong Kong

Singapore

Taiwan

## Europe

Hamina, Finland

St Ghislain, Belgium

Dublin, Ireland

# The Online Gaming World



**Q: What happens when the performance drops?  
(the non-functional question)**

- 10 data centers
- 13,250 server blades,  
75,000+ cores
- 1.3PB storage
- 68 sysadmins (1/1,000 cores)



<http://www.datacenterknowledge.com/archives/2009/11/25/wows-back-end-10-data-centers-75000-cores/>

# The Core Idea through An Example

## BitTorrent: A Distributed System

Q: Autonomy? Cooperation? Communication?

low download speed

Q: Does this system **scale**? Why? How?

high download speed

Q: What is the **structure** of this system?

What is the **state** of each node? How do they **synchronize**?

Q: How does the **performance** of this system change with the increase in the number of **users**?

Q: When is this system **available**?

What does it do to increase its **reliability**?

Q: Is this system **efficient**?

Q: Which parts of this system need **consistency**?  
Achieved?

# Main Characteristics of DS

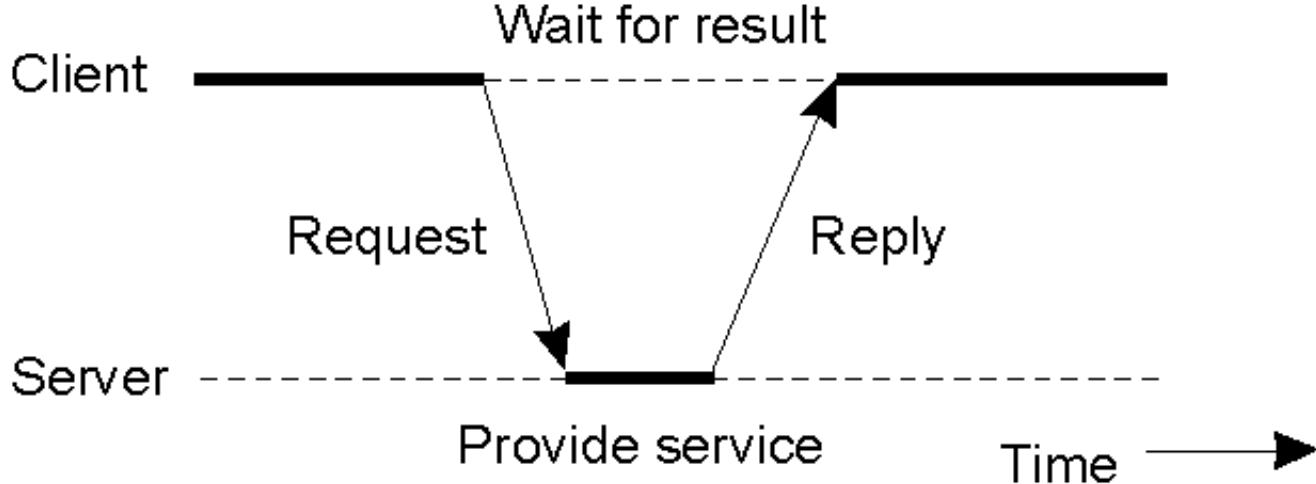
1. Scalability
2. Predictable high performance
3. Reliability and availability
4. Efficiency (resource sharing)
5. Consistent (distributed) state
6. Close-to-users
7. So many other concerns:  
Security, Inter-operability, ...

# How to Build a Distributed System?

## Models and Tools

- General Frameworks
  - Client/Server: roll your own, WebSockets
  - Decentralized, peers/actors: Akka
  - Hybrid/Hierarchical/Decentralized, message passing: MPI
- Specialized Frameworks
  - Data-intensive: Hadoop
  - Compute-/Data-intensive: Pegasus, Triana, Kepler

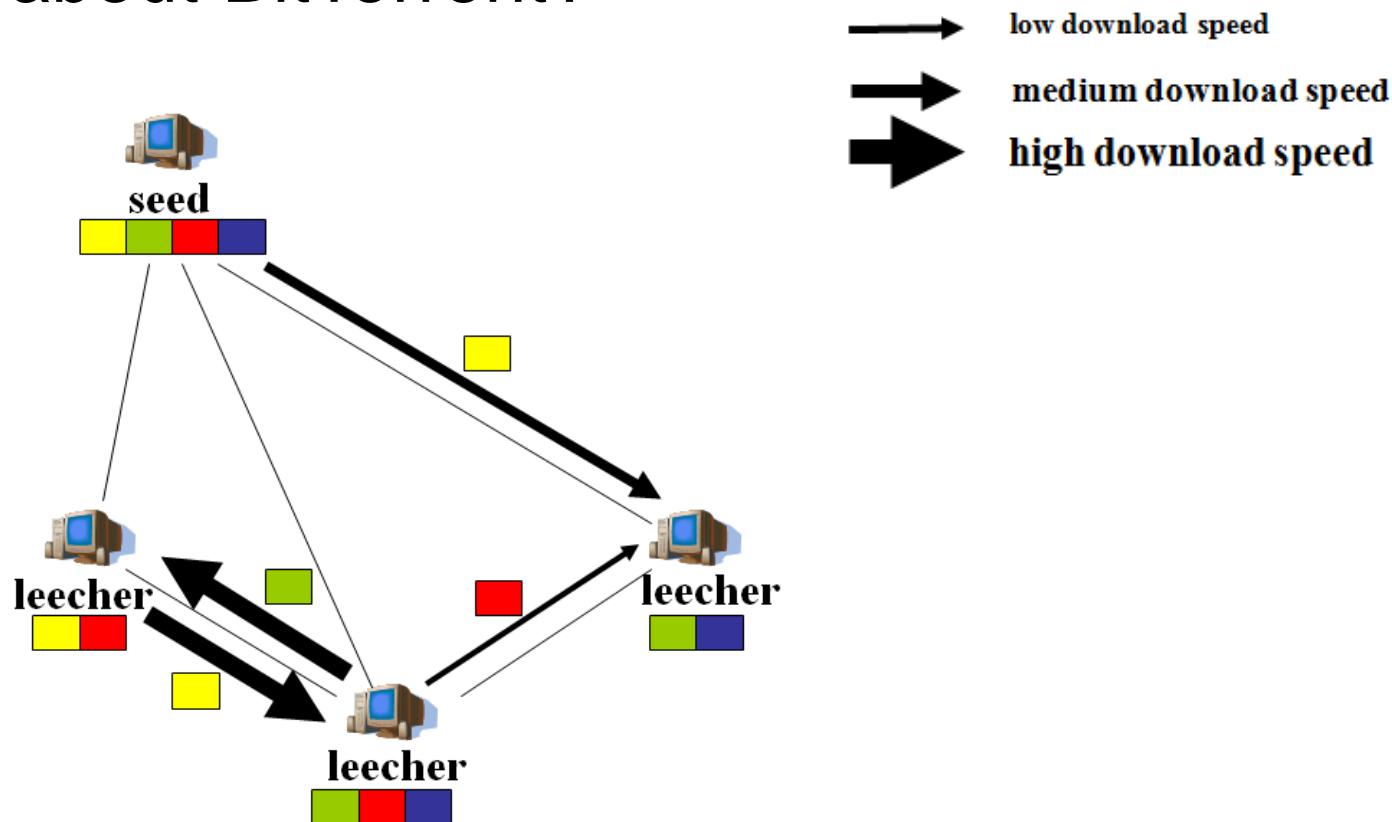
# The Centralized Client/Server Model



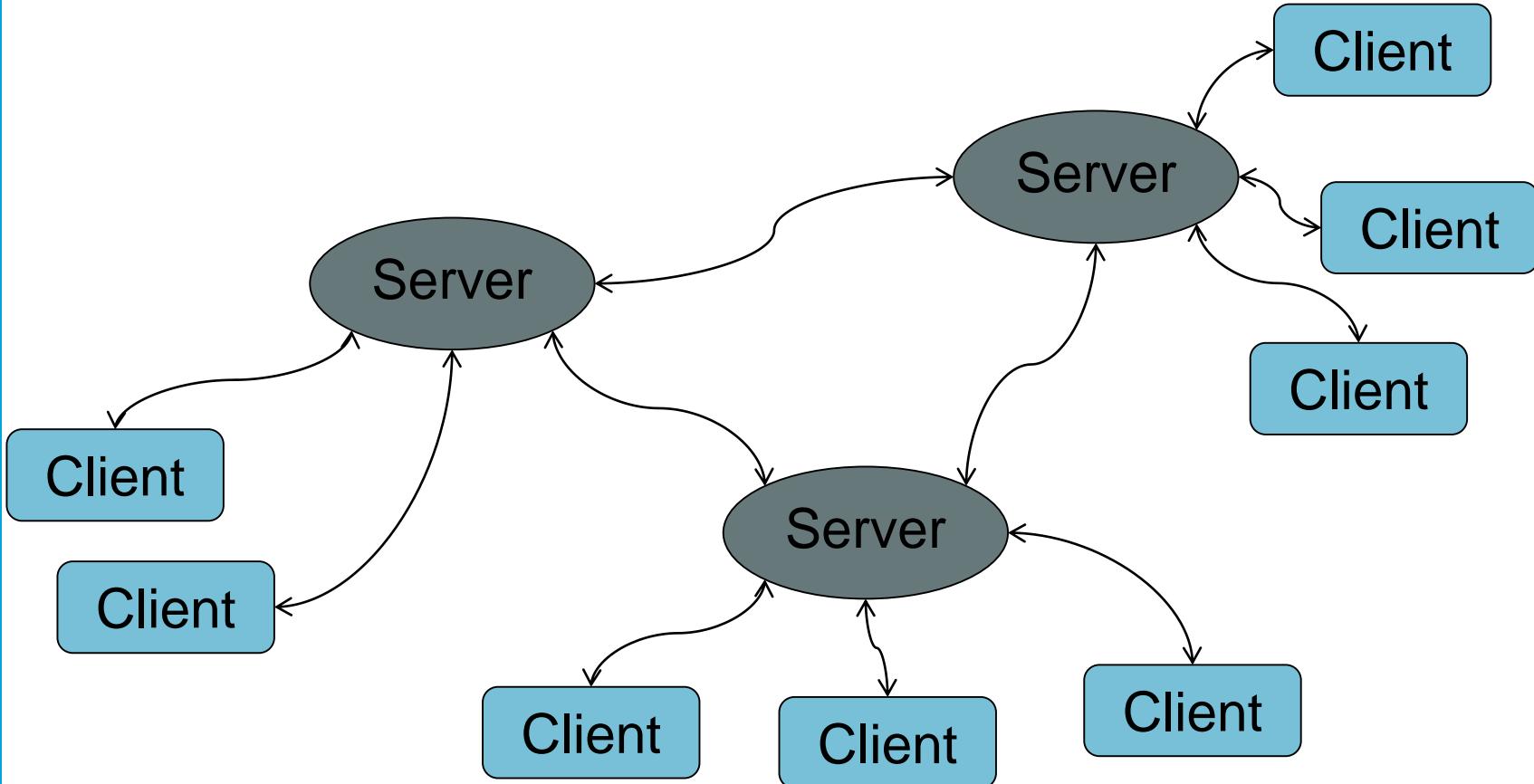
- Client-server model = message exchange with specific pattern: the client sends requests, then the server replies
- Special forms of client-server model:
  - in imperative languages, **remote procedure calls (RPC)**
  - in OO languages, **remote method invocations (RMI)**
  - on the web, **http**

# The Decentralized (fully: Peer-to-Peer) Model

- Remember what we have discussed about BitTorrent?



# Hybrids: Multiple Servers or Hierarchical P2P Systems or ...



# The CAP Theorem

- Properties of distributed systems
  - Consistency (C)—a single up-to-date copy of the data
  - Availability (A)—possible to perform updates on the data
  - Partitions (P)—tolerance to interruption of network
- The CAP Theorem, Eric Brewer (Cal):

*“Any networked shared-data system can have at most two out three of the CAP properties”*

- **Eric Brewer** at

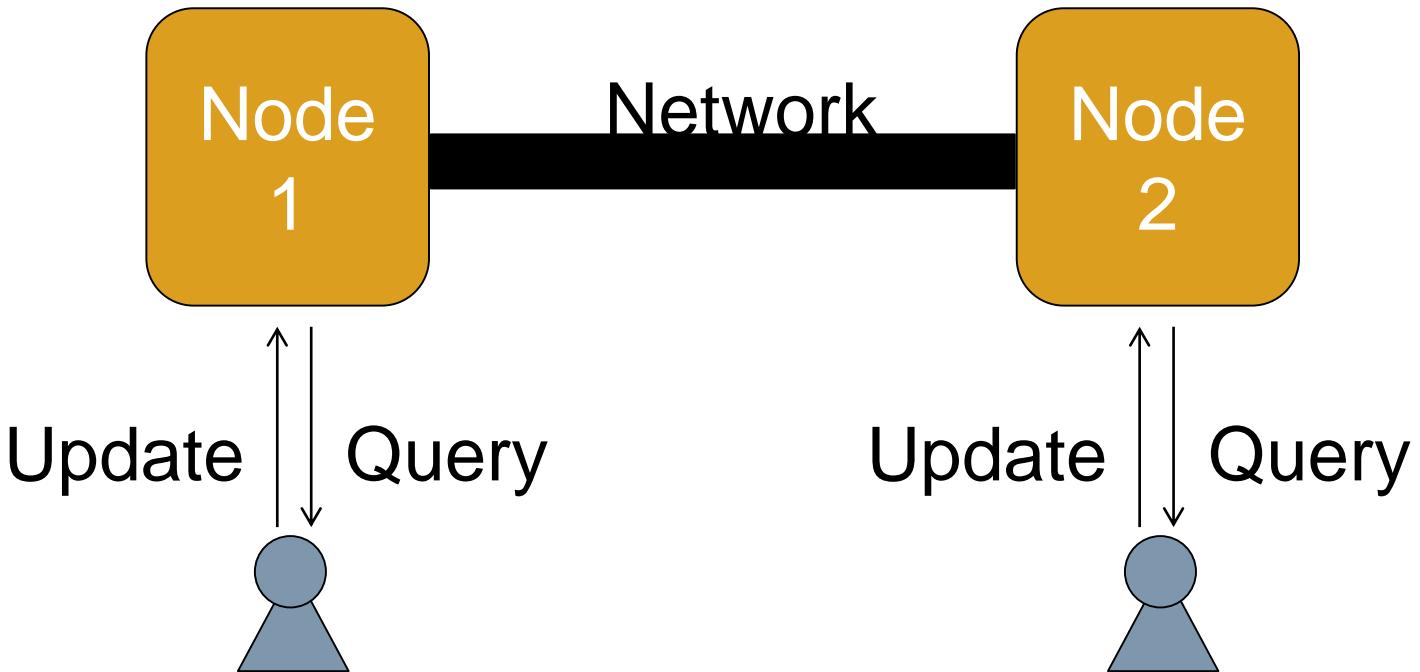
Principles Of Distributed Computing (PODC), 2000

*proof*

Seth Gilbert, Nancy A. Lynch: Perspectives on the CAP Theorem. IEEE Computer 45(2): 30-36 (2012)

# The CAP Theorem: a Visual Proof

Operation without Partitions: C and A

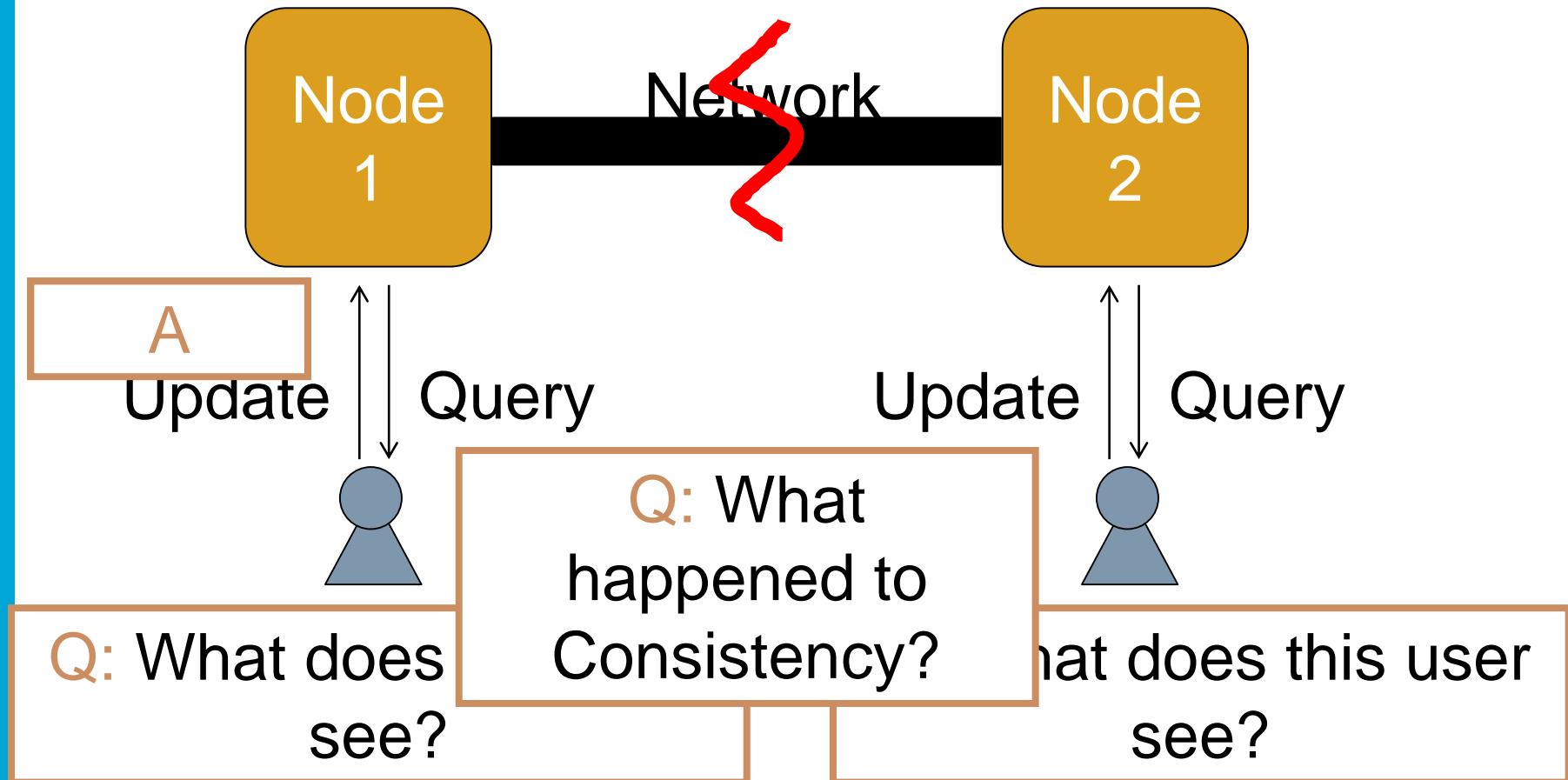


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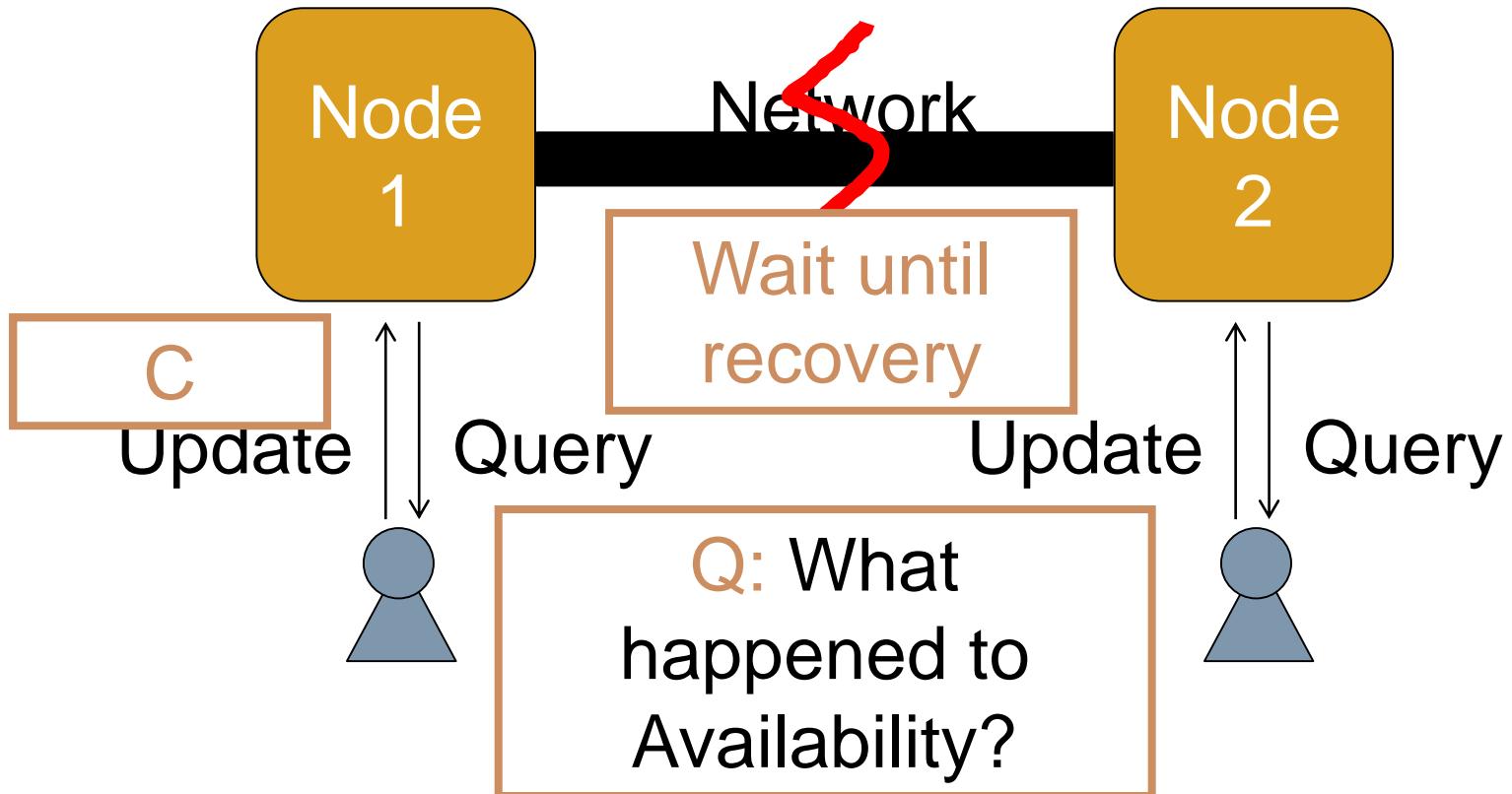
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# The CAP Theorem: 12 Years After

*What does “2 of 3” mean in practice?*

**Q:** Can you forfeit P?

- Partitions may not occur in small clusters
- Partitions do occur in data centers

**Q:** Can you use C or A in client-server?

- No, if client cannot reach service
- Yes, if client can operate offline (choose A over C)

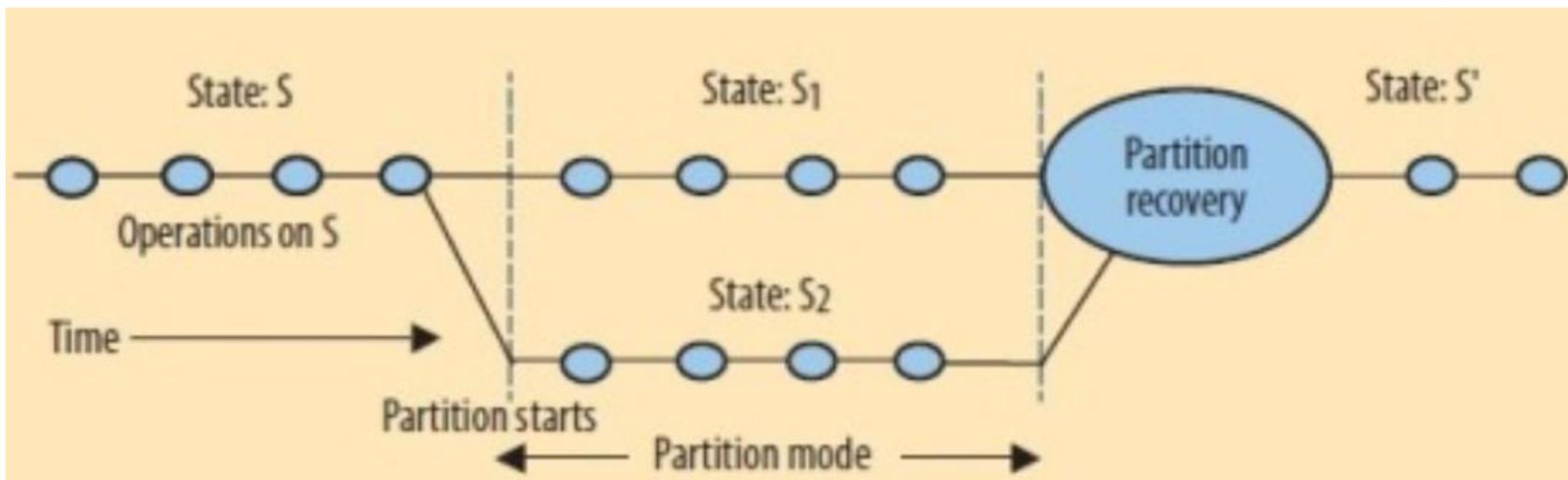
**Q:** Can you forfeit C? (homework)

Eric A. Brewer: Pushing the CAP: Strategies for Consistency and Availability. IEEE Computer 45(2): 23-29 (2012)

# The CAP Theorem: 12 Years After

Few Ps, so No more 2 of 3, rather **probabilistic C, A, and P**

*“The modern CAP goal should be to maximize combinations of consistency and availability that make sense for the specific application. [...] operation during a partition and recovery afterwards”*



Update to 2000 statement

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# Distributed Systems, a Design Example

## 2Fast: Collaborative Downloading

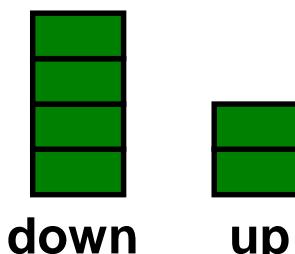
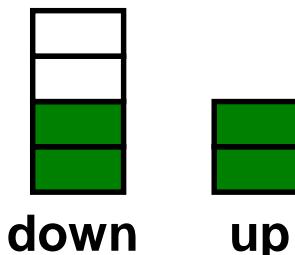
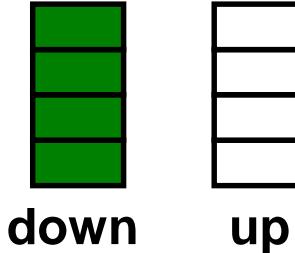
*“In two years time we will all have petabytes on our key chains and will not need BitTorrent at all”*  
(anonymous, for the sake of this course, 2005)

*But what if this would not happen?*

P. Garbacki, A. Iosup, D.H.J. Epema, and M. van Steen, "2Fast: Collaborative Downloads in P2P Networks," *6-th IEEE International Conference on Peer-to-Peer Computing*, 2006  
**(best-paper award).**

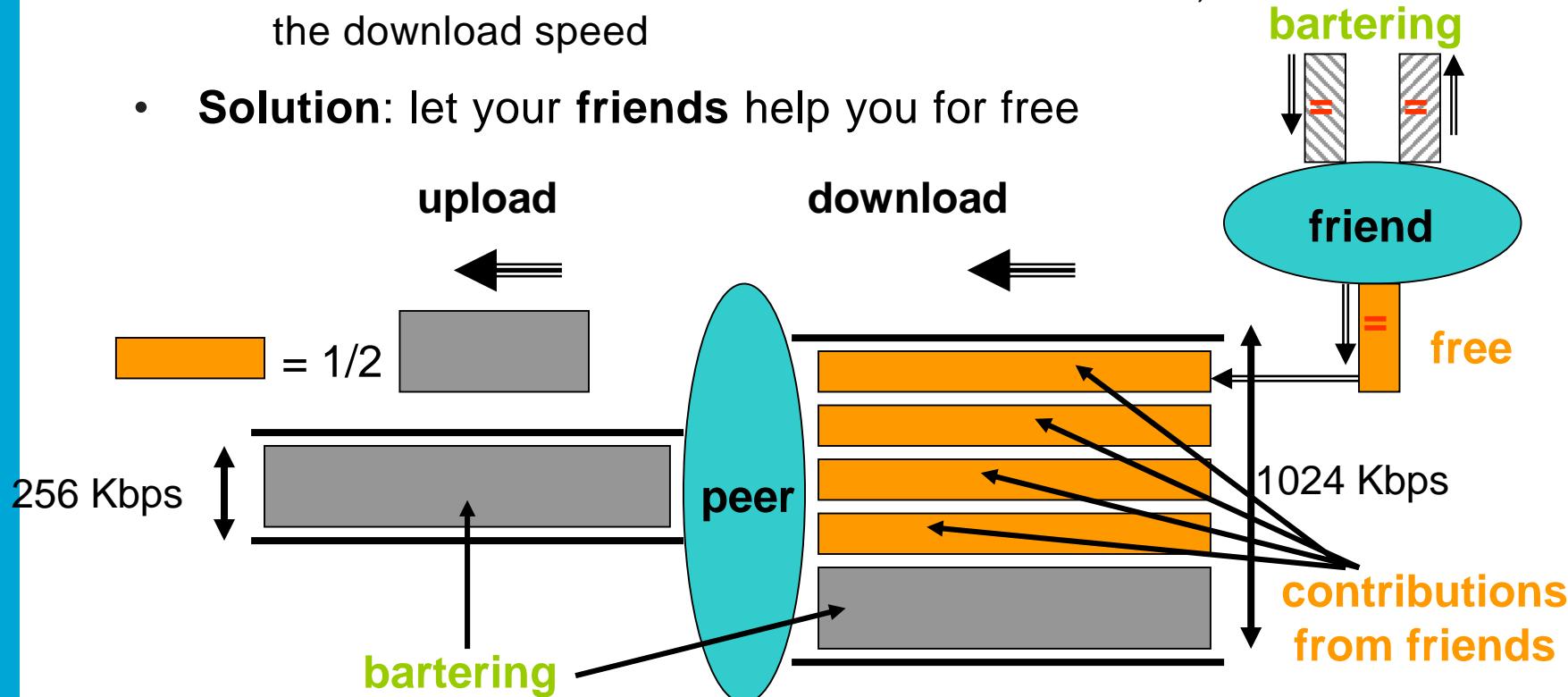
# Peer-to-peer data transfer protocols

- Gnutella, Kazaa
  - no incentives for bandwidth sharing
  - free-riders sensitive
  - poor utilization of upload bandwidth
- BitTorrent (BT), Slurpie
  - tit-for-tat enforces fairness
  - temporal fairness cannot handle asymmetric links
  - poor utilization of download bandwidth
- **2Fast: BT+collaborative downloads**
  - no tit-for-tat within a single session
  - cross-session bandwidth sharing
  - full utilization of upload AND download links



# Cooperative downloads: basic idea

- **Problem:**
  - most users have **asymmetric** upload/download links
  - because of the **tit-for-tat** mechanism of BitTorrent, this restricts the download speed
- **Solution:** let your **friends** help you for free



# Two protocol extensions

- **Redundant chunks download**
  - **problem:** discrimination of helpers; more restrictive chunk selection + fewer chunks to offer, so limited bartering possibilities
  - **solution:** the same chunk may be downloaded by different helpers
- **Sharing of swarm information**
  - **problem:** slow start; finding suitable bartering partners takes time
  - **solution:** collaborating peers exchange information on other peers in the swarm

# DOWNLOAD SPEED-UP: ANALYTICAL MODEL

- Every helper **equally splits its upload capacity** between bartering and helping the collector
- So **every additional helper** increases the download speedup of the collector by 0.5, up to a point
- The **maximum number of useful helpers** (and so the maximum speedup) can easily be computed
- $N, S$ : the numbers of **leechers** and **seeders** in the system
- $c, \mu$ : the download/upload capacity of all peers
- **Download bandwidth** of the collector with  **$h$  helpers**:

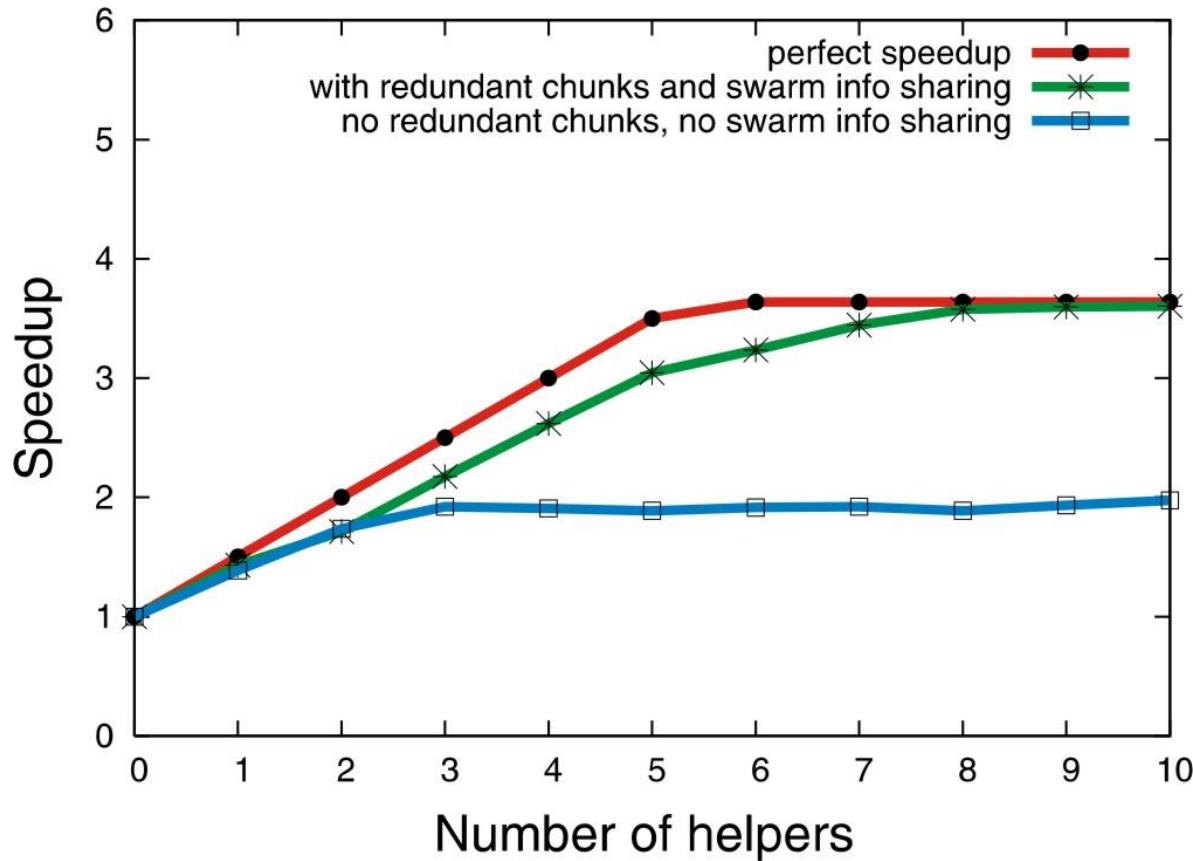
$$\frac{S}{N} \mu + \boxed{\mu} + \boxed{\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^h (\frac{S}{N} + 1) \mu}$$

free from seeders      bartering      from helpers

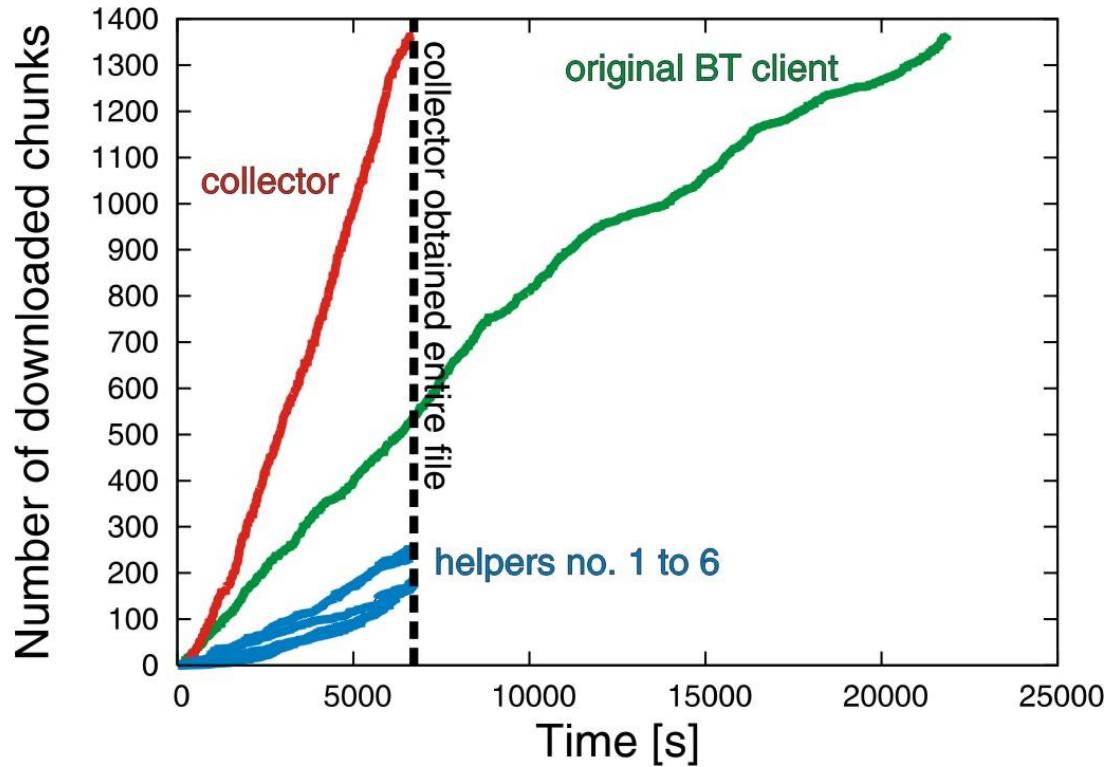
# Experimental setup

- Experiments performed in a real environment – collaborating peers connect to existing BitTorrent swarms
- Collaborating peers connected through ADSL links: 256kbps up / 1024kbps down
- Downloaded file size: 700 MB
- Swarm size: 100 leechers, 10 seeders

# Speedup vs number of helpers

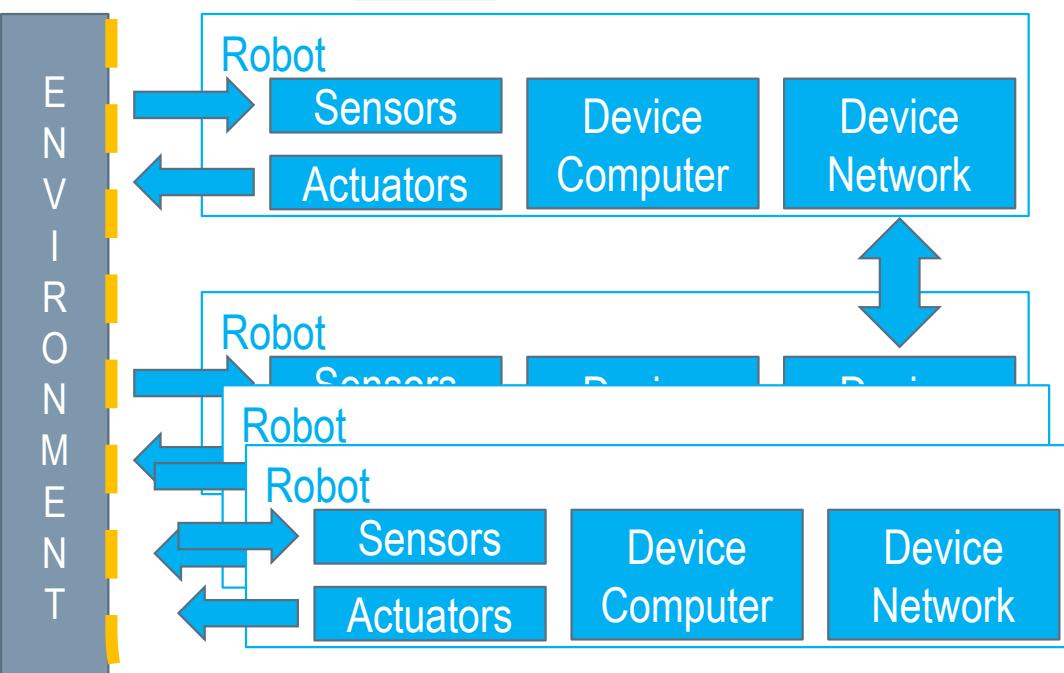
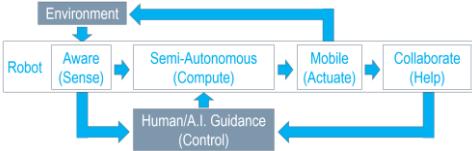


# Download progress



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Human/A.I. Guidance  
(Control)

Local Control System,  
incl. Data Caching

Internet Network  
(WiFi, LiFi, Cellular,  
etc.)

Edge Control System,  
incl. Simple Data  
Filtering, Fusion

Cloud/DC Network  
(optical, InfiniBand,  
etc.)

Enterprise Control System,  
incl. Complex Analytics

DC

# What is Cloud Computing? A Useful IT Service

“Use only when you want! Pay only for what you use!”



**Software as a Service (SaaS)**

Q: What do **you** use?



**Platform as a Service (PaaS)**



rackspace



**Infrastructure as a Service (IaaS)**

Processing Resources

Storage Resources

...

Network Resources

# What is Cloud Computing?

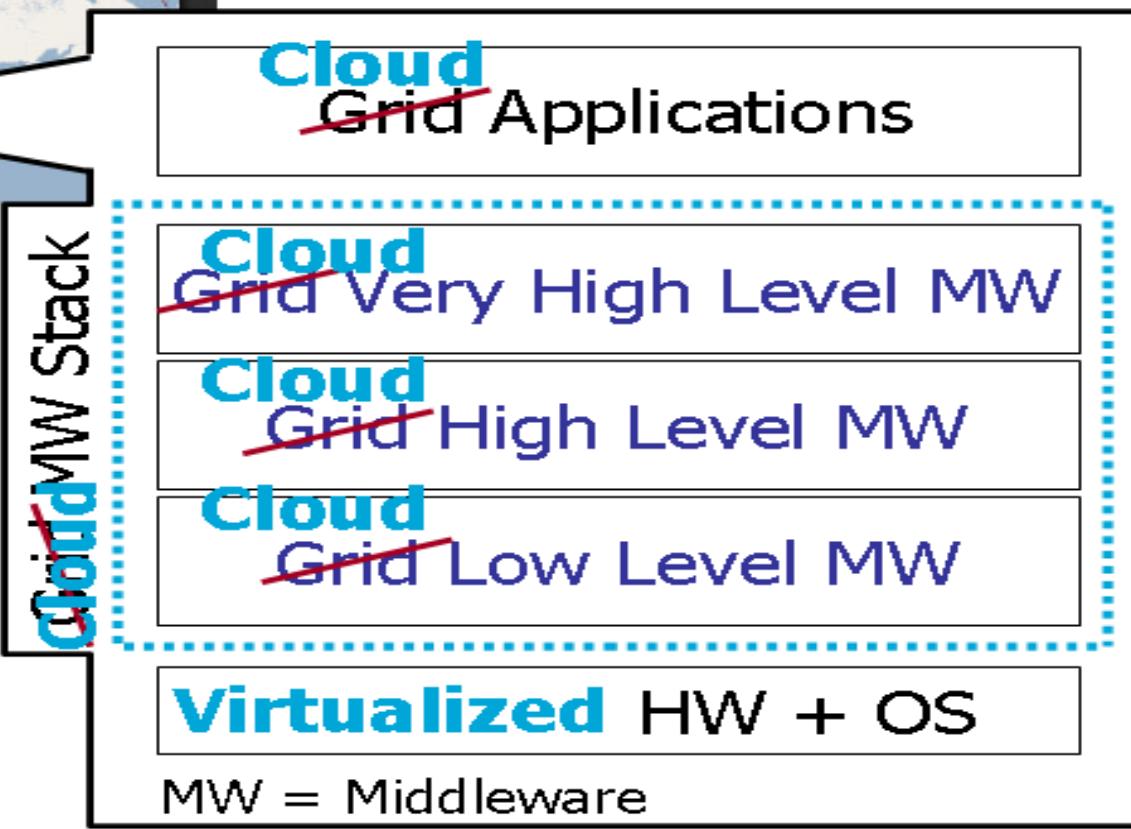
## 2. A Descendant\* of the Grid Idea

\* Subset.



Source: <http://royal.pingdom.com/2008/04/11/map-of-all-google-data-center-locations/>

"A computational grid is a hardware and software infrastructure that provides dependable, consistent, pervasive, and inexpensive access to high-end computational capabilities [+ for] nontrivial QoS." I. Foster, 1998 + 1999



Have you noticed "QoS"? What is that?

# Main Characteristics of IaaS Clouds

1. On-Demand Pay-per-Use
2. Elasticity (cloud concept of Scalability)
3. Resource Pooling
4. Fully automated IT services
5. Quality of Service

**Q:** Sounds great, but ...  
How can we make  
all this stuff happen?

**Introducing datacenters &  
datacenter-based clouds =  
ICT service creation  
for everyone**

# Factories Powering the Goods Economy and Better Living Standards



Creator



Factory (1980)



Consumer



# Datacenters = Digital Factories Powering the Digital Economy and Better Living Standards



Creator

Datacenter (2010)



Consumer

We want more of this

“15% ICT market is simple DC services”

“Already 60+ bn.€/year”

“Consume more energy than the transport industry”

We want less of this (and  
other issues raised by DCs)

# Scientific Challenges in Cloud Computing



## How to massivize?

- Super-scalable, super-flexible, yet efficient ICT infrastructure
- End-to-end automation of large-scale, simple and complex processes
- Dynamic, compute- and data-intensive workloads
- Evolving, heterogeneous hardware and software
- Strict performance, cost, energy, reliability, and fairness requirements
- ... all these, without needing much expertise from customers

↖ There's a lot we don't know how to do yet...  
you can help!

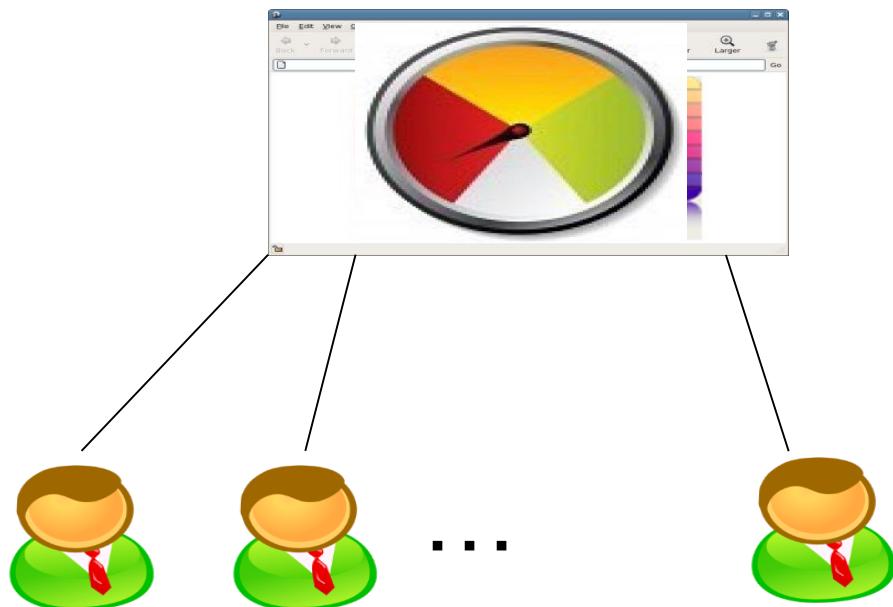
# Joe Has an Idea (\$\$\$)



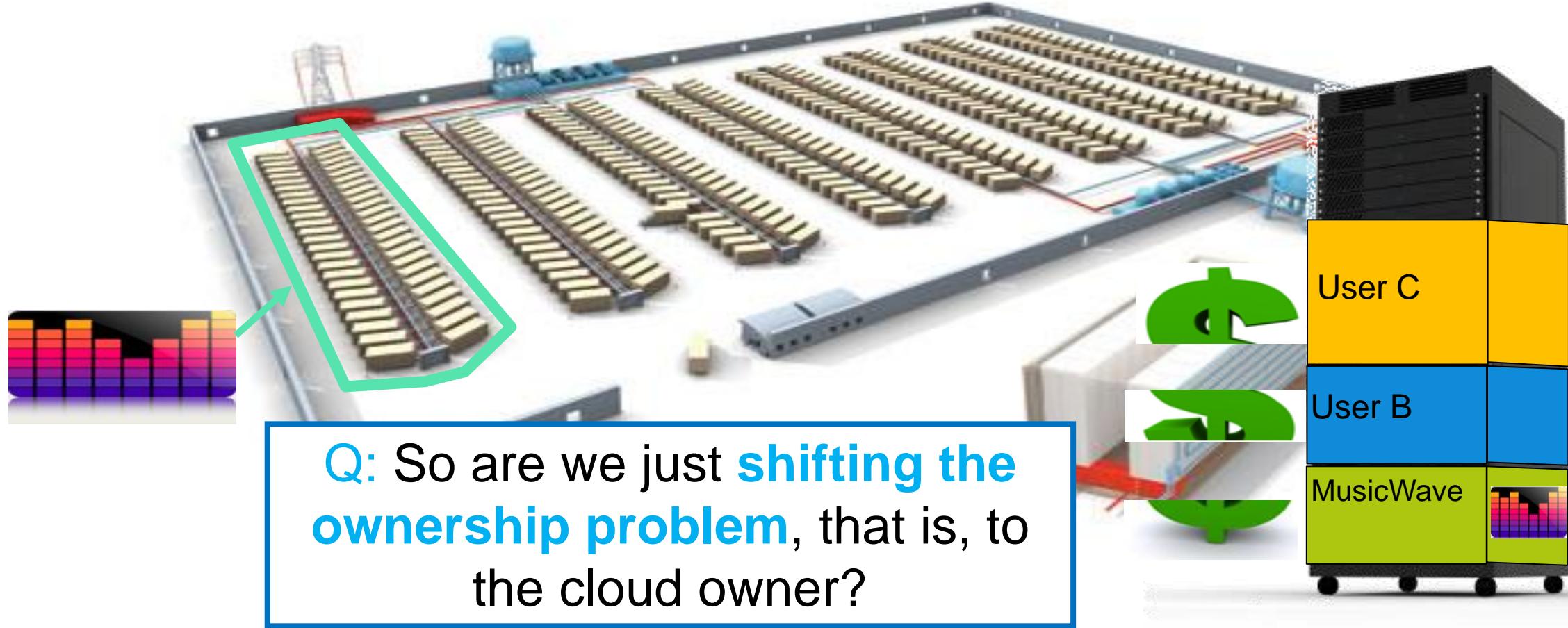
# Solution #1

Buy then Maintain

- Big up-front commitment
- Load variability: NOT supported



# Inside a Cloud Datacenter: Infrastructure as a Service



# The Pizza-Box Stack

- The 1U server



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# The Pizza-Box Stack

- The 1U server
- The 19" server rack (42U is now standard)

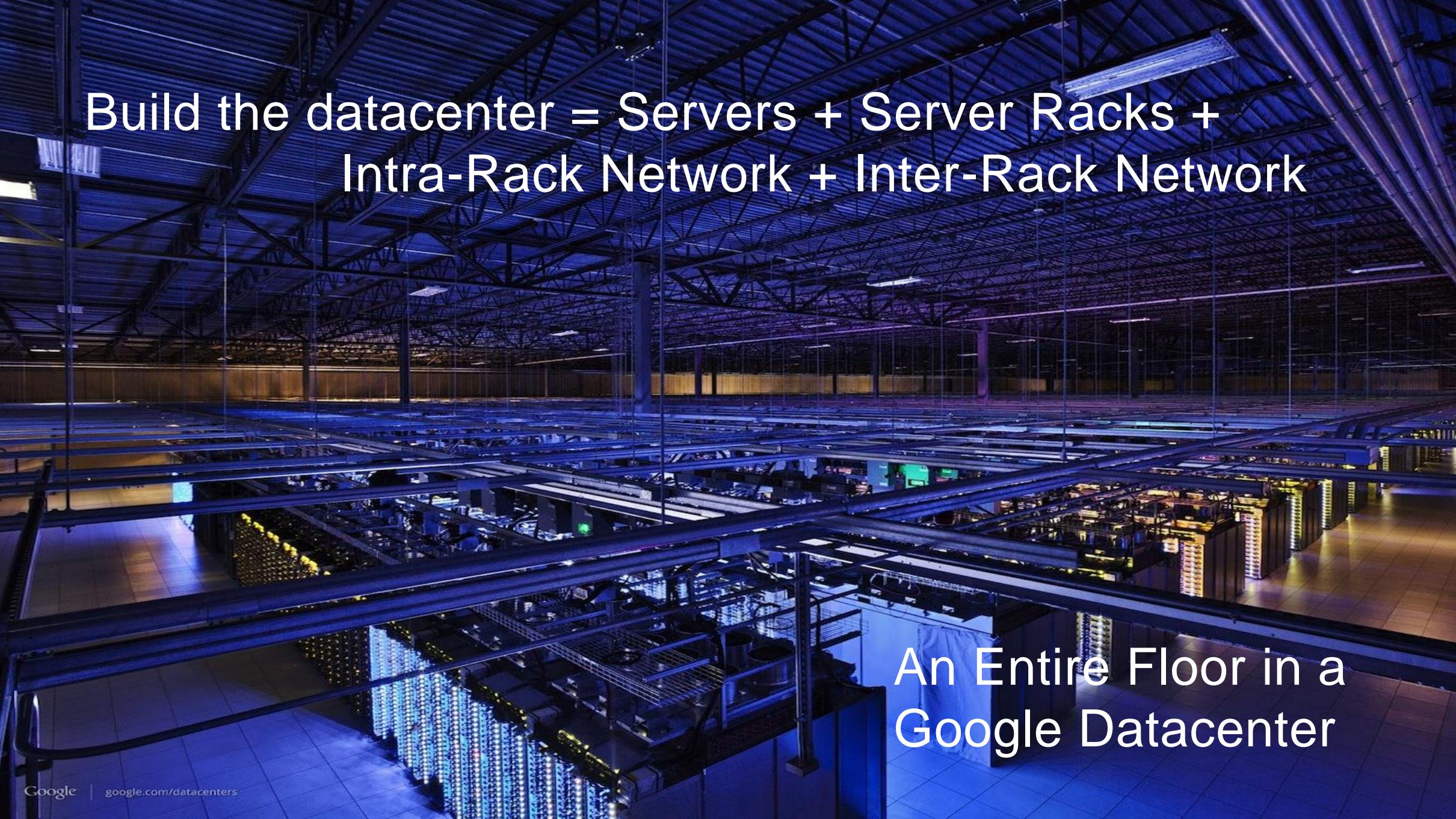


# The Data Center Network

- Network bandwidth per rack
  - 1 x 48-port GigE switch = 40 UP-, 8 DOWN-links



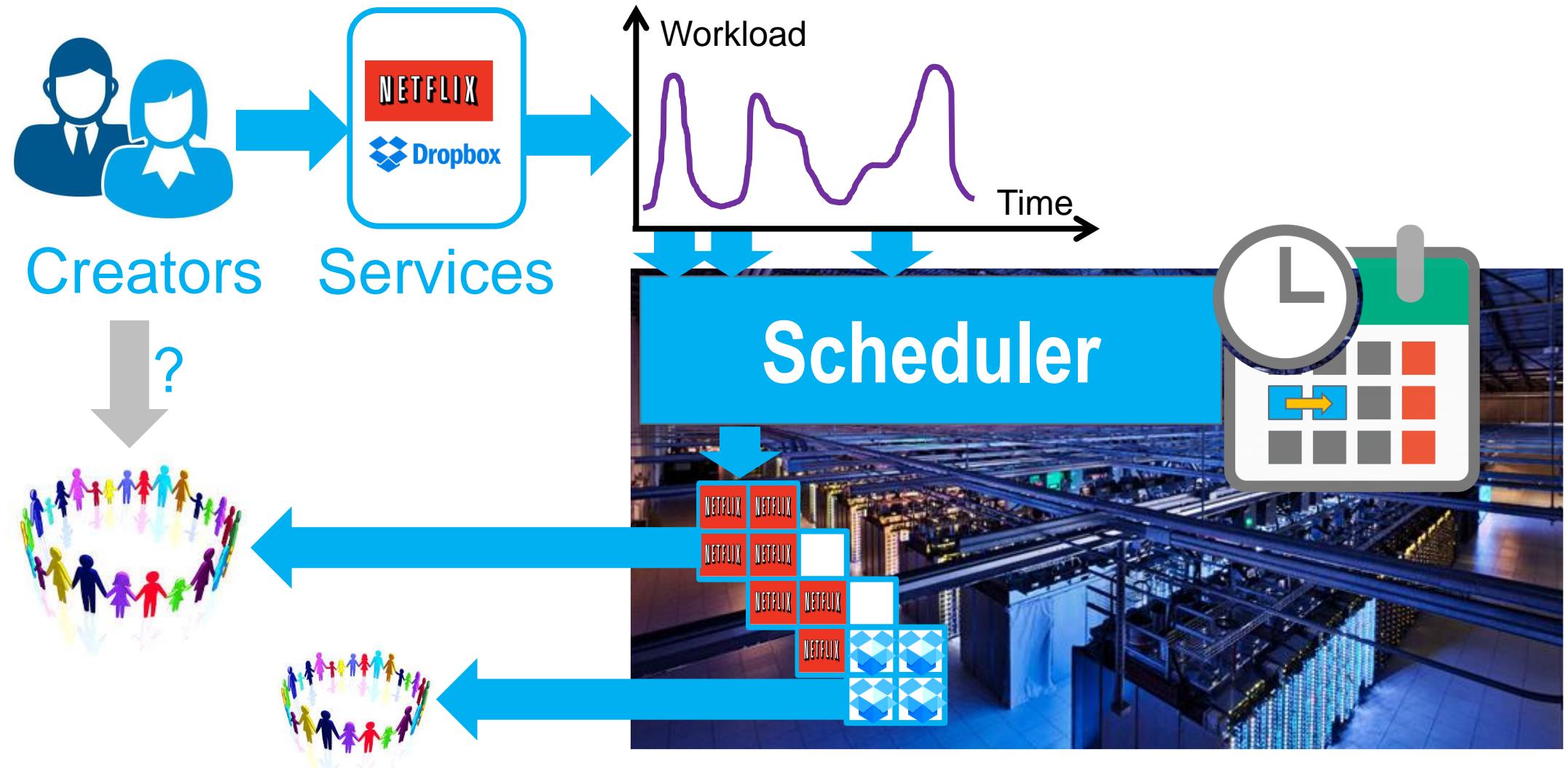
- Network bandwidth per socket
  - (fast) 1 Gbps for 10 GigE rack switch
  - (slow) 100 Mbps for 1 GigE rack switch
  - (exorbitant) 10 GBps for ncHT3 (supercomputing class)
  - (research) 1 Tbps!~100 GBps optical (not yet production-ready)



Build the datacenter = Servers + Server Racks +  
Intra-Rack Network + Inter-Rack Network

An Entire Floor in a  
Google Datacenter

# The Scheduler

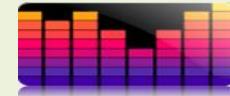


# Resource Sharing Models

Grids

Space-Sharing

MusicWave



IaaS Clouds

Time-Sharing

Q: Which one is  
better?

MusicWave



Host OS

OtherApp



OtherApp



MusicWave



Host OS

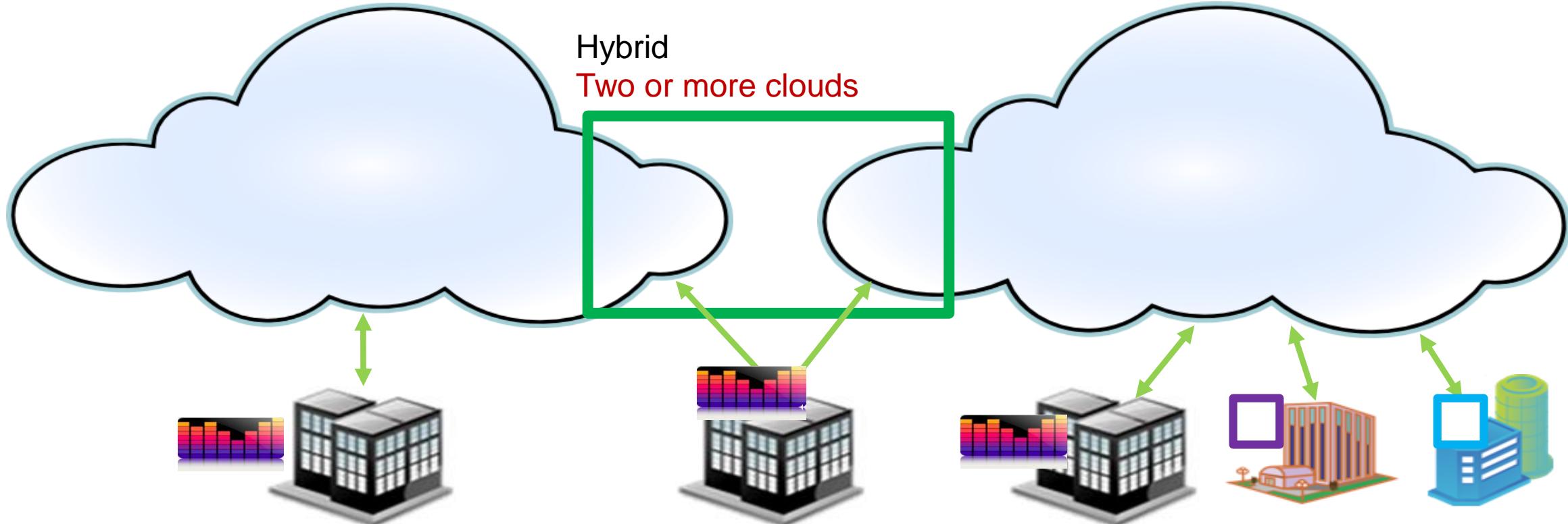
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# Where to Lease Resources From? IaaS Cloud Deployment Models

Private  
On-premises

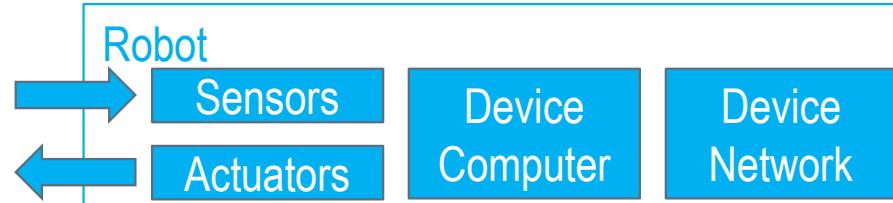
Public  
Off-premises



(Source: A. Antoniou, MSc Defense, TU Delft, 2012. Original idea: Mell and Grance, NIST Spec.Pub. 800-145, Sep 2011.)

# How to Offload to a Cloud? A Simple Recipe

## 1. Identify the main operational blocks



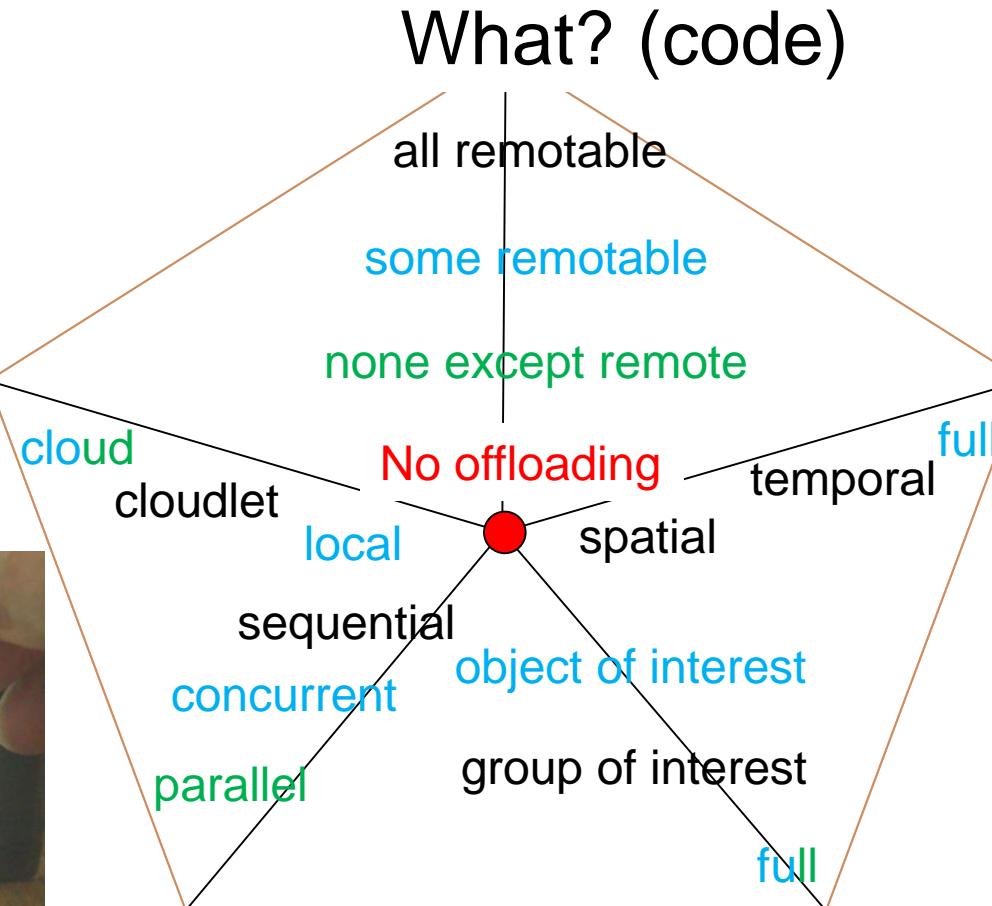
2. Decide which functional or non-functional aspect to optimize
3. Decide on strategy for offloading ([What?](#) [When?](#) [How?](#))
4. Decide on architecture for distributed system ([Where?](#))
5. Implement, test, and tune.

# Exploratory Space for Offloading Strategy

Where?



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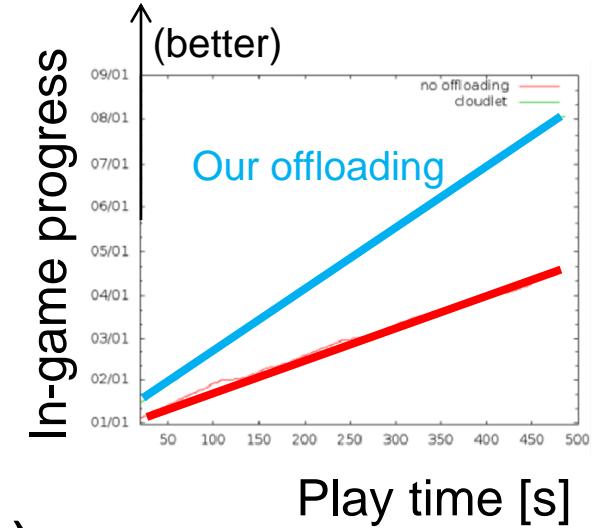


How?

What? (data)

Cloud gaming /  
SuperServer:  
OnLive,  
Gaikai,  
Sony Online,  
Microsoft Live,  
etc.

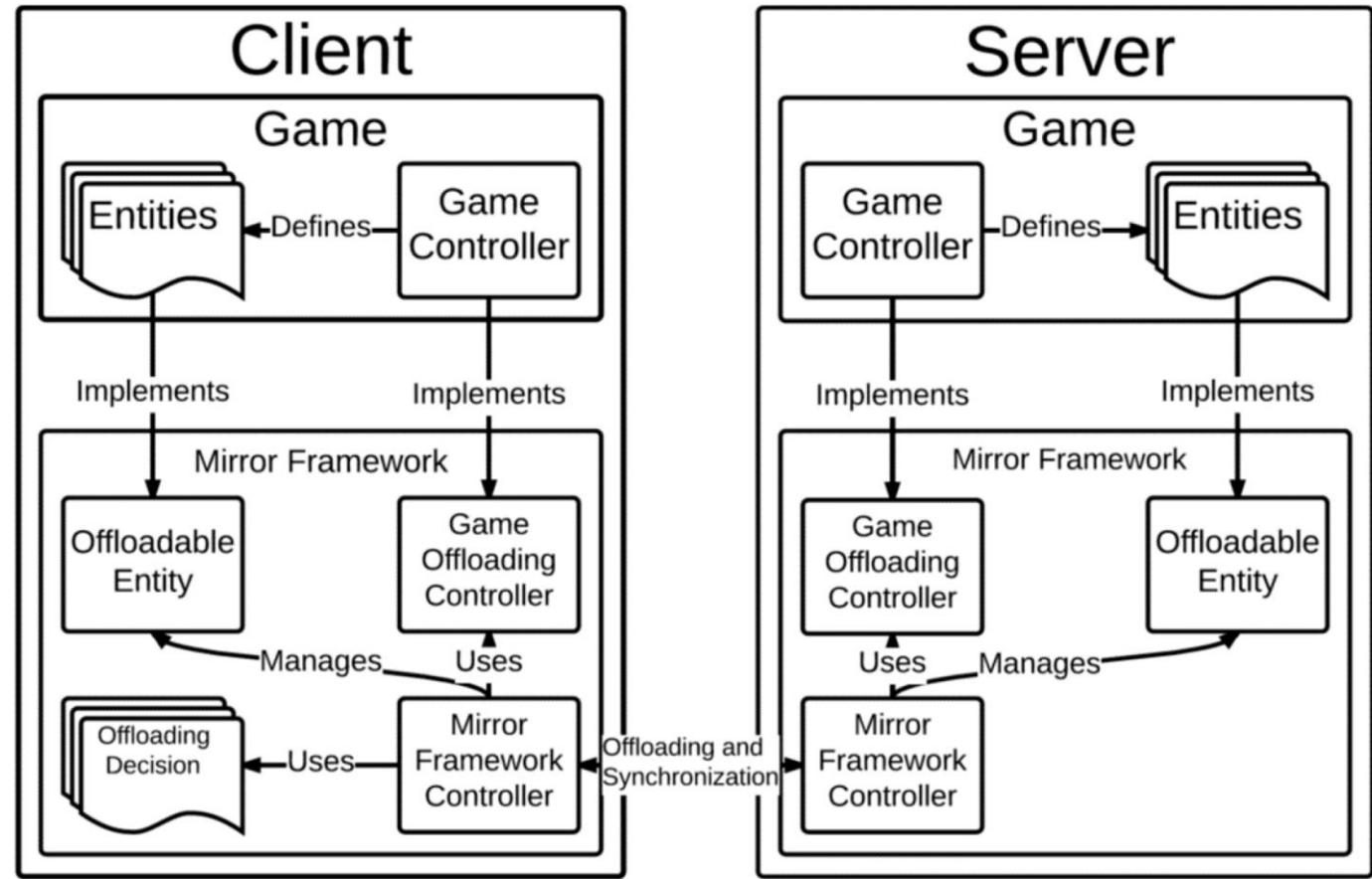
When?



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# The Mirror Framework (tried w online gaming “bots”)

- Key ideas:
  - Fine-grained replication
  - What? Objects
  - How? Concurrently
  - When? Temporal imbalance
  - Where? Cloud + Local



# Further Reading

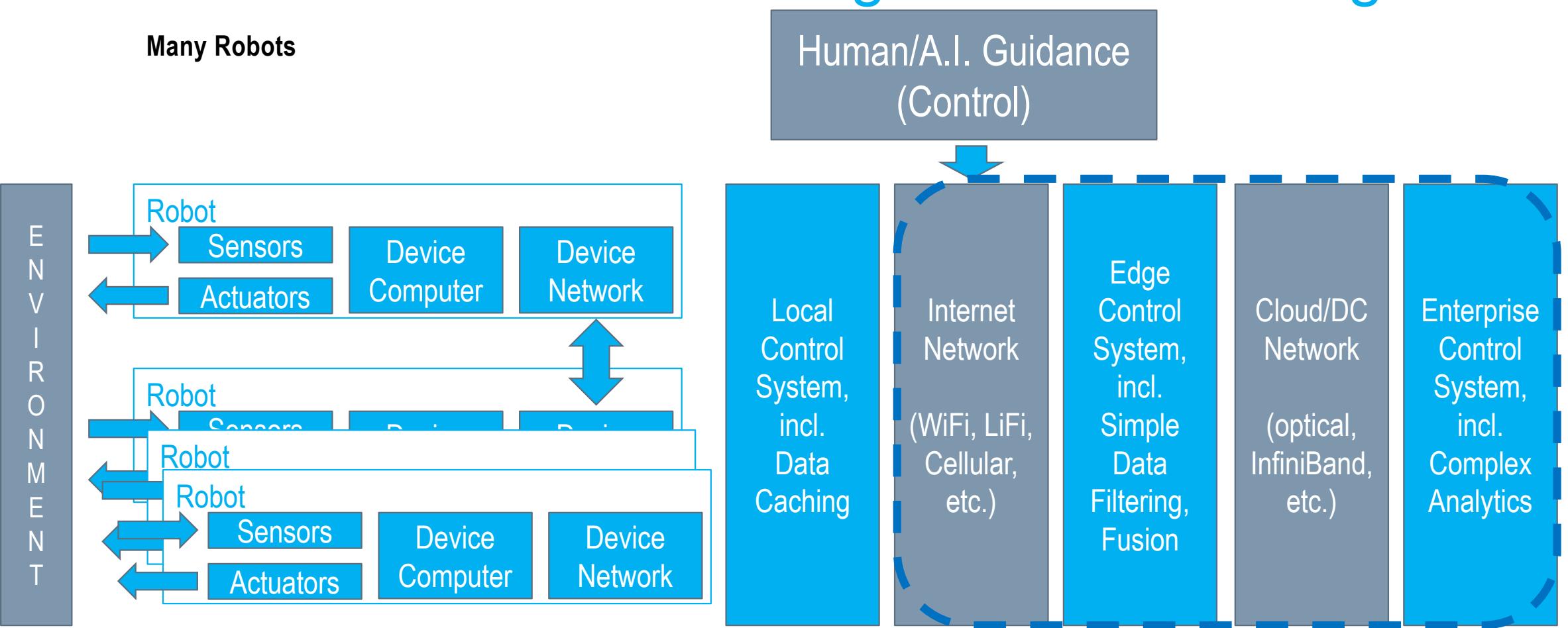
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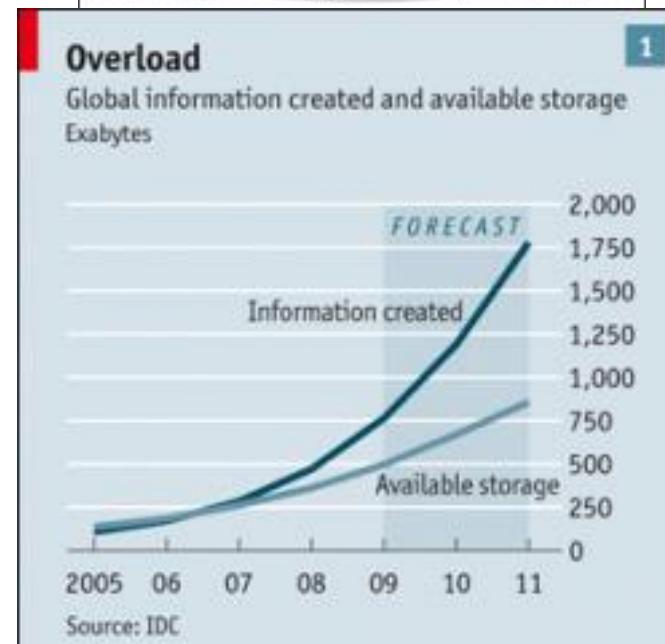
# A Brief Introduction to Big Data Processing



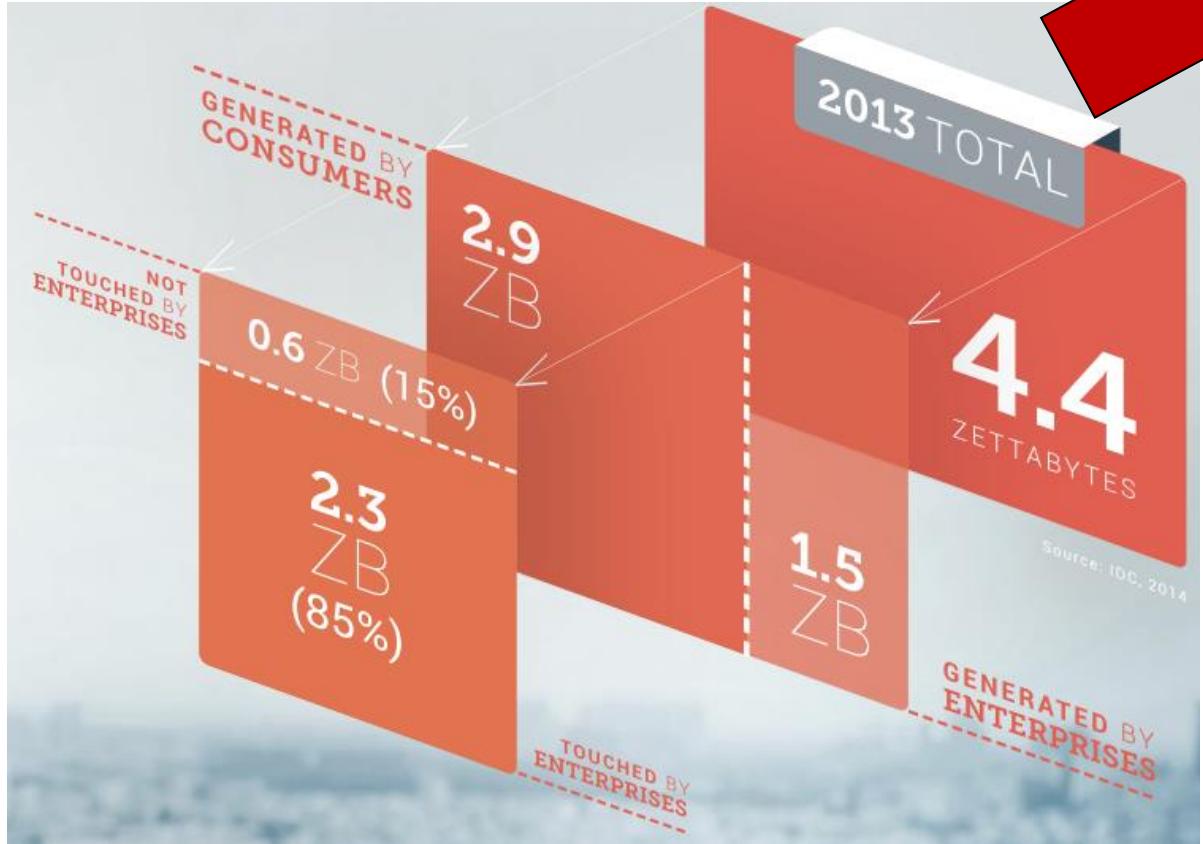
# The “Data Deluge”: The Why

"Everywhere you look, the quantity of information in the world is soaring. According to one estimate, mankind created 150 exabytes (billion gigabytes) of data in 2005. This year, it will create 1,200 exabytes. Merely keeping up with this flood, and storing the bits that might be useful, is difficult enough. Analysing it, to spot patterns and extract useful information, is harder still."

**The Data Deluge, The Economist, 25 February 2010**



# “Data Deluge” In Summary



Data Deluge =  
data generated by humans  
and devices (IoT)

- Interacting
- Understanding
- Deciding
- Creating

## The Fourth Paradigm: The Why (An Anecdotal Example)

# The Overwhelming Growth of Knowledge

“When 12 men founded the Royal Society in 1660, it was possible for an educated person to encompass all of scientific knowledge. [...]

In the last 50 years, such has been the pace of scientific advance that even the best scientists cannot keep up with discoveries at frontiers outside their own field.”

Number of Publications	1993	1997
	1997	2001
United States	1,248,733	1,265,808
EU15 (net total)	1,180,730	1,347,985
United Kingdom	309,683	342,535
Germany	268,393	318,286
Japan	289,751	336,858
France	203,814	232,058
Canada	168,331	166,216
Italy	122,398	147,023
Switzerland	57,664	66,761
Netherlands	83,600	92,526

Data: King, The scientific impact of nations, Nature '04.

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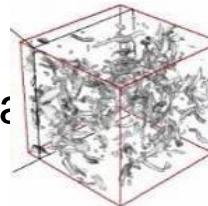
# The Fourth Paradigm: The What

## From Hypothesis to Data



1. Thousand years ago:  
science was **empirical** describing natural phenomena
2. Last few hundred years:  
**theoretical** branch using models, generalizations
3. Last few decades:  
a **computational** branch simulating complex phenomena
4. Today (**the Fourth Paradigm**):  
**data exploration**

$$\left(\frac{\dot{a}}{a}\right)^2 = \frac{4\pi G\rho}{3} - K \frac{c^2}{a^2}$$



unify theory, experiment, and simulation

- Data captured by instruments or generated by simulator
- Processed by software
- Information/Knowledge stored in computer
- Scientist analyzes results using data management and statistics



# Data at the Core of Our Society: The LinkedIn Example

## The State of LinkedIn

A very good resource for matchmaking workforce and prospective employers

Vital for your company's life,  
as your Head of HR would tell you

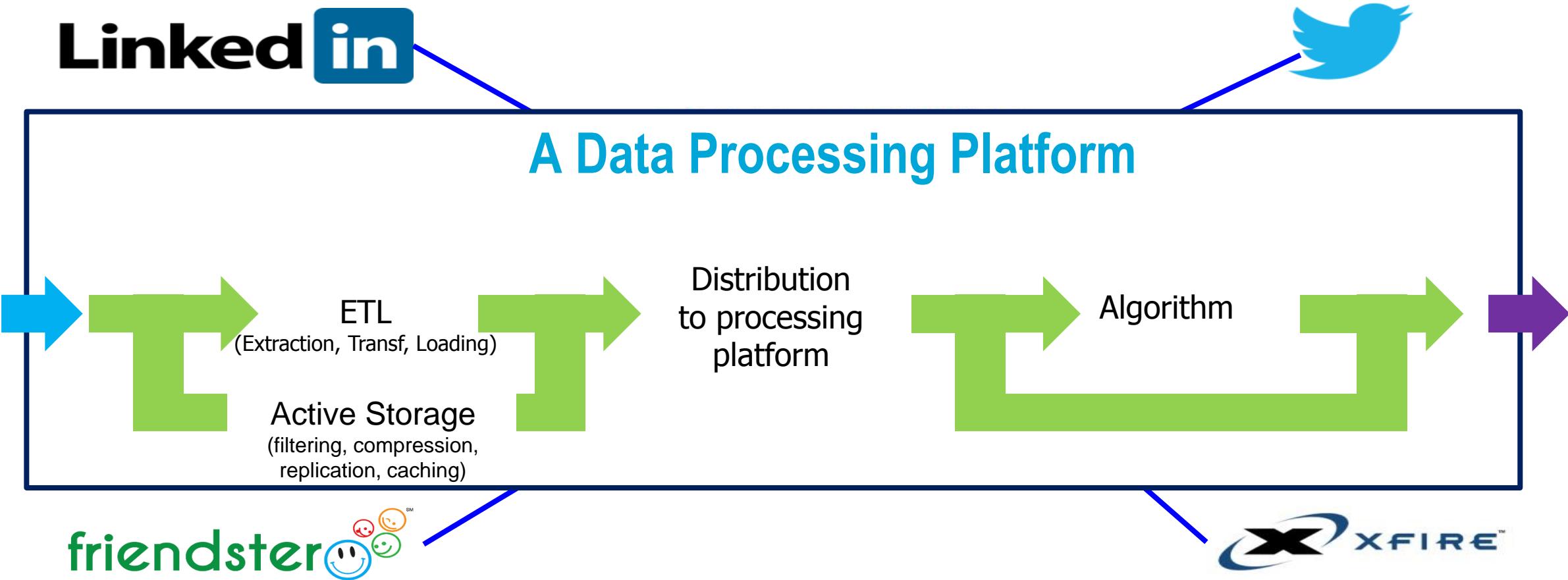
Vital for the prospective employees

Tens of “specialized LinkedIns”: medical, mil, edu, science, ...

~~150,000,000~~  
registered members (Q1 '12)

Sources: Vincenzo Cosenza, The State of LinkedIn, <http://vincos.it/the-state-of-linkedin/>  
via Christopher Penn, <http://www.shiftcomm.com/2014/02/state-linkedin-social-media-dark-horse/>

# How to do Data Analysis?



Interactive processing not considered in this presentation.  
Streaming not considered in this presentation.

# Distributed Big Data: The Promise of Performance



## A Graph Processing Platform

Ideally, distributed  
N cores/disks →  
Nx faster

(filtering, compression,  
replication, caching)

Distribution  
to processing  
platform

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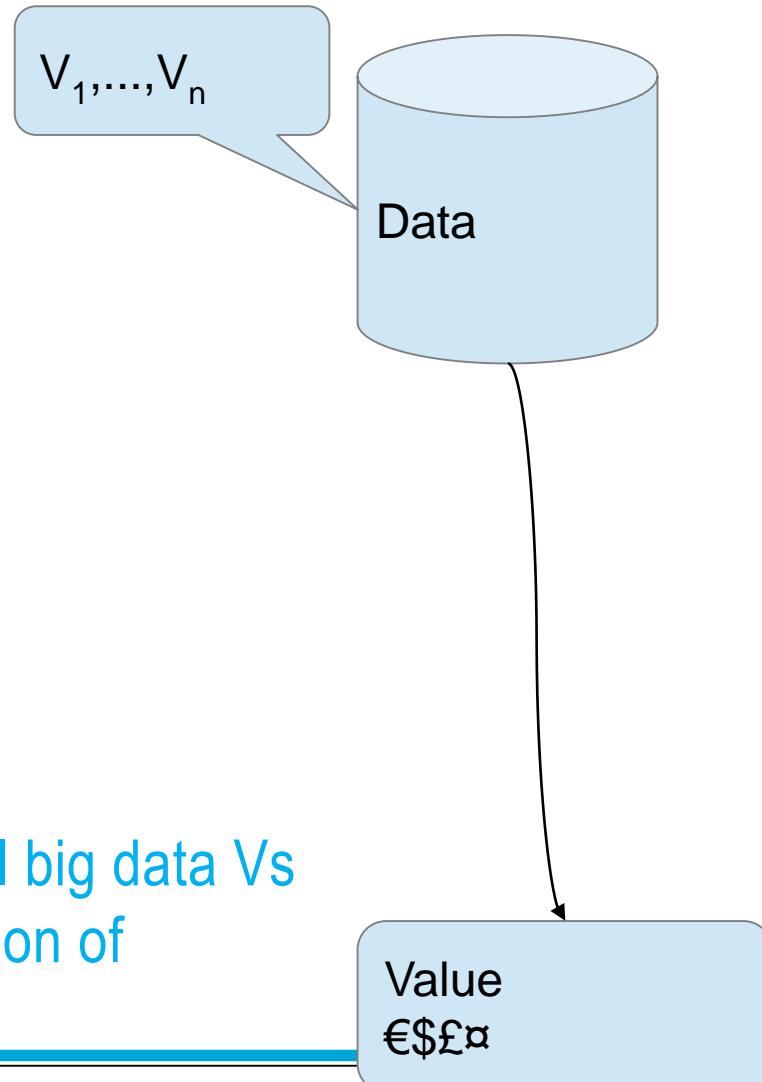


Ideally, Parallel/  
Distributed/  
Heterogeneous

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# In Practice: big data Vs

- Volume – large scale of data
- Velocity – timeliness of data
- Variety – different forms of data
- Veracity – uncertainty of data
- Vicissitude – dynamic combination of several big data Vs in processing systems that support the addition of new queries at run-time

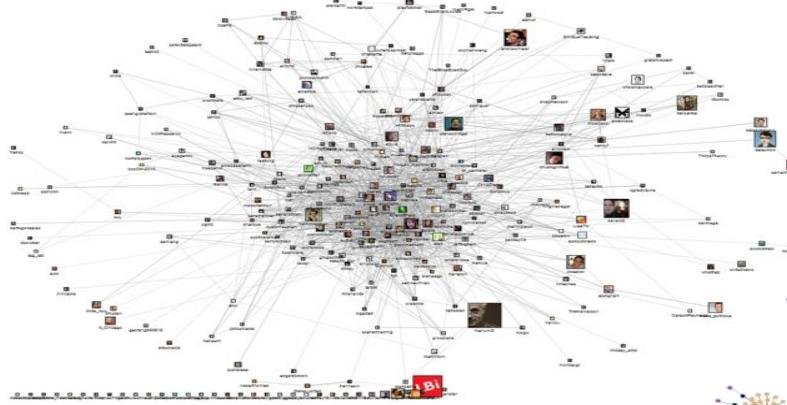


# Data and Big Data Processing Systems Everywhere

## ... Yet We Are in a Crisis Caused by Ecosystems

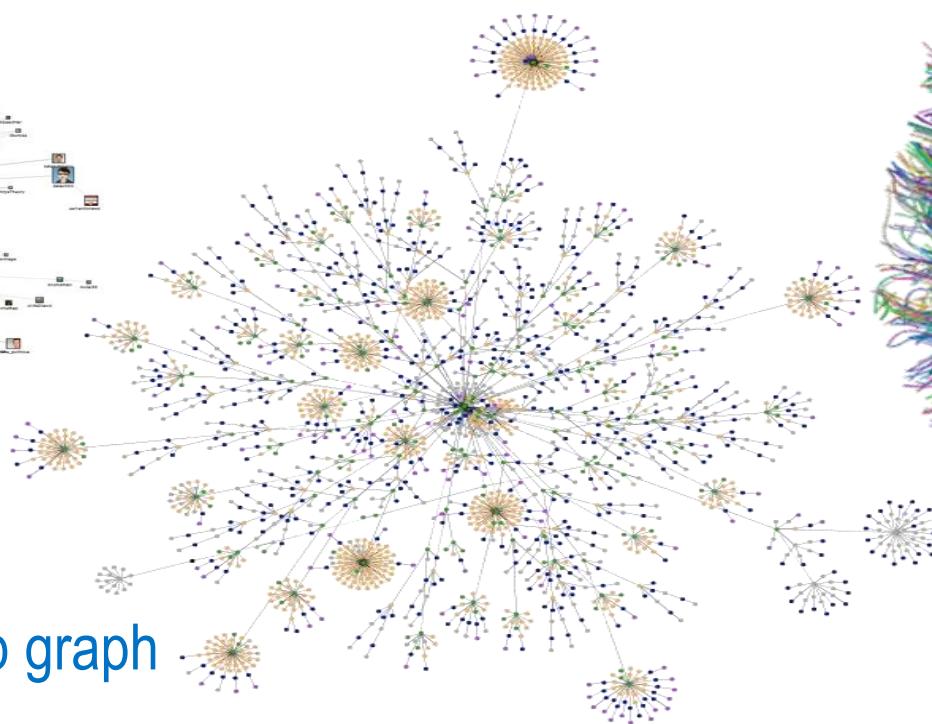


# Example: processing large-scale graphs



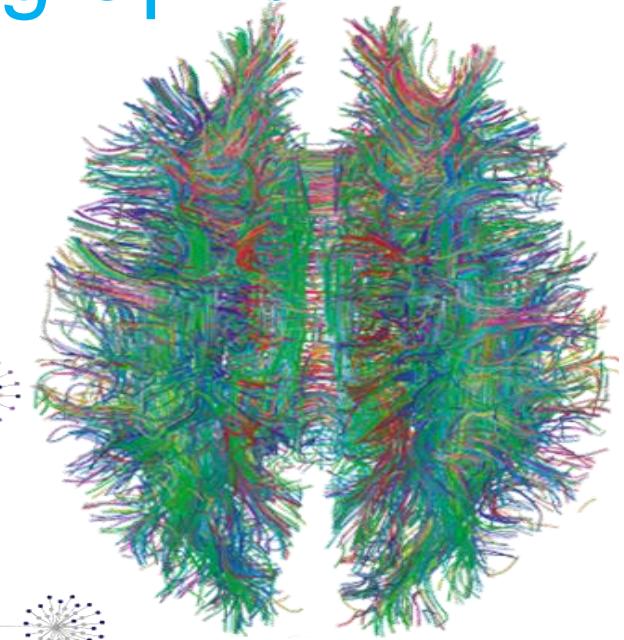
Social network

~1 billion vertices  
~100 billion connections



Web graph

~50 billion pages  
~1 trillion hyperlinks



Brain network

~100 billion neurons  
~100 trillion connections

# Graph processing systems

Performance

Dedicated Systems

- Systems for graph processing
- Separate users from backends
- Think Giraph

Generic Systems

Custom Systems

- Use existing distributed systems
- Mapping is difficult
- Parallelism is “free”
- Think Hadoop/Spark

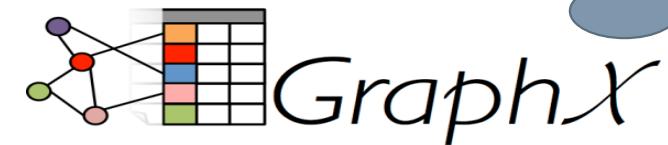
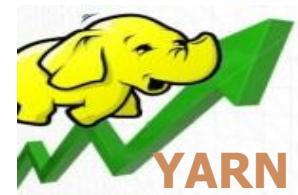
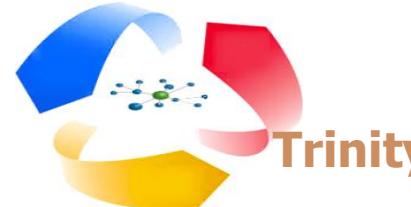
Development Effort

Dedicated Systems

Generic



Intel Graphmat



# System diversity (GPU-enabled)

Dedicated Systems

Generic



**medusa-gpu**

Medusa: Simplified Graph Processing on GPUs

**mapgraph** Beta

Massively Parallel Graph processing on GPUs

**Gunrock**

High-performance Graph Primitives on GPU



**TOTEM**



**VertexAPI2**

# What is the performance of graph-processing platforms?

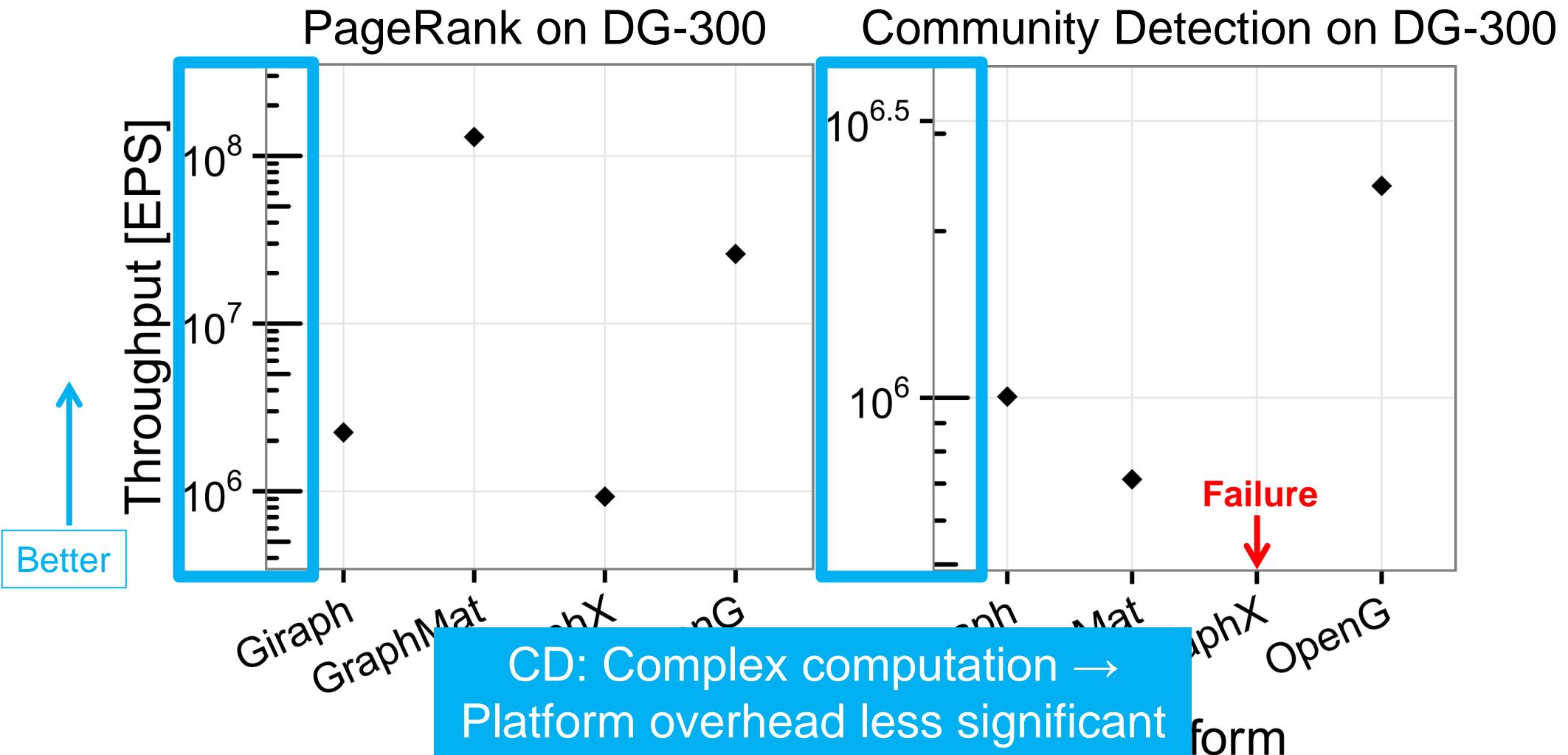
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Diversity

Graph  
Diversity

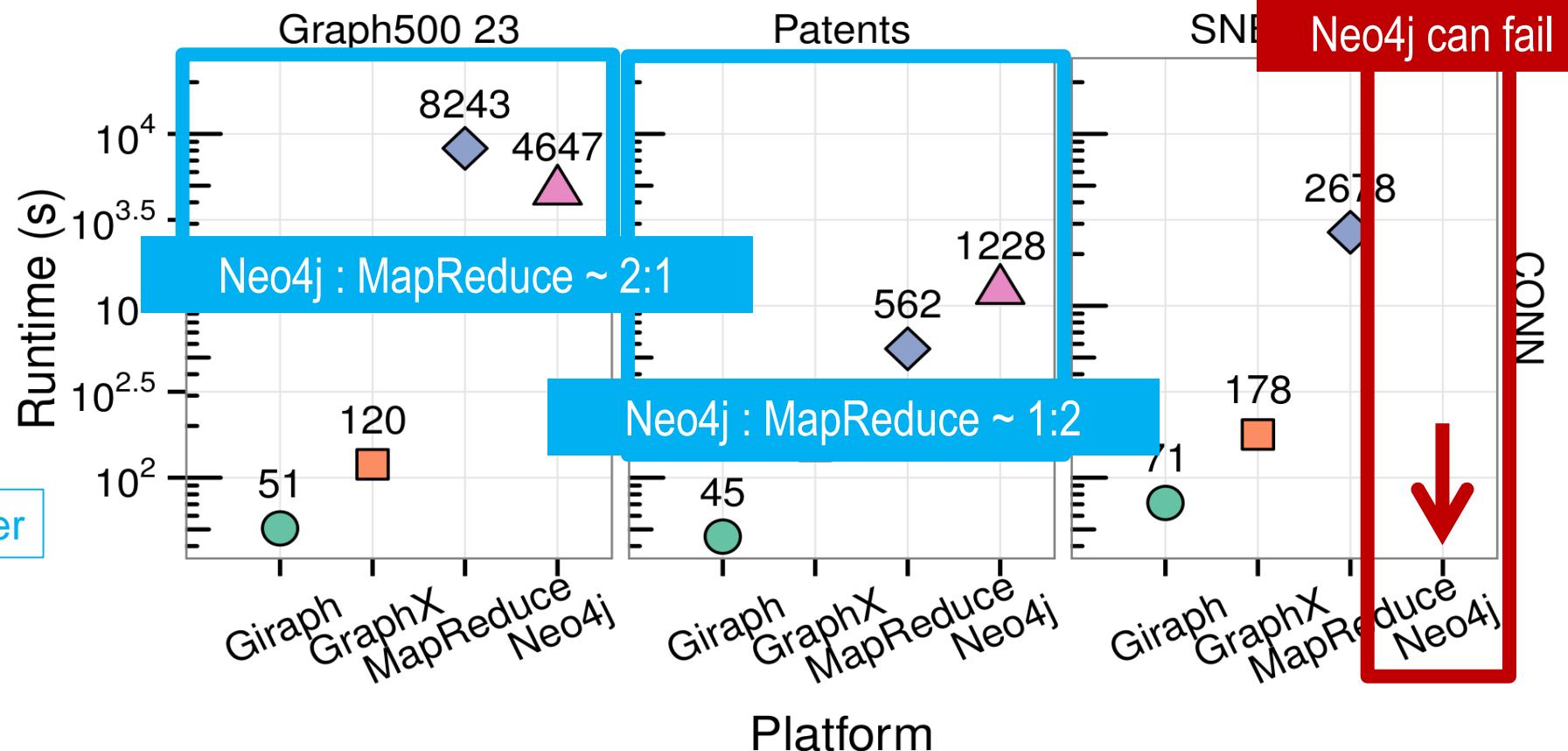
Algorithm  
Diversity

Graphalytics = comprehensive benchmarking suite for graph processing across many platforms

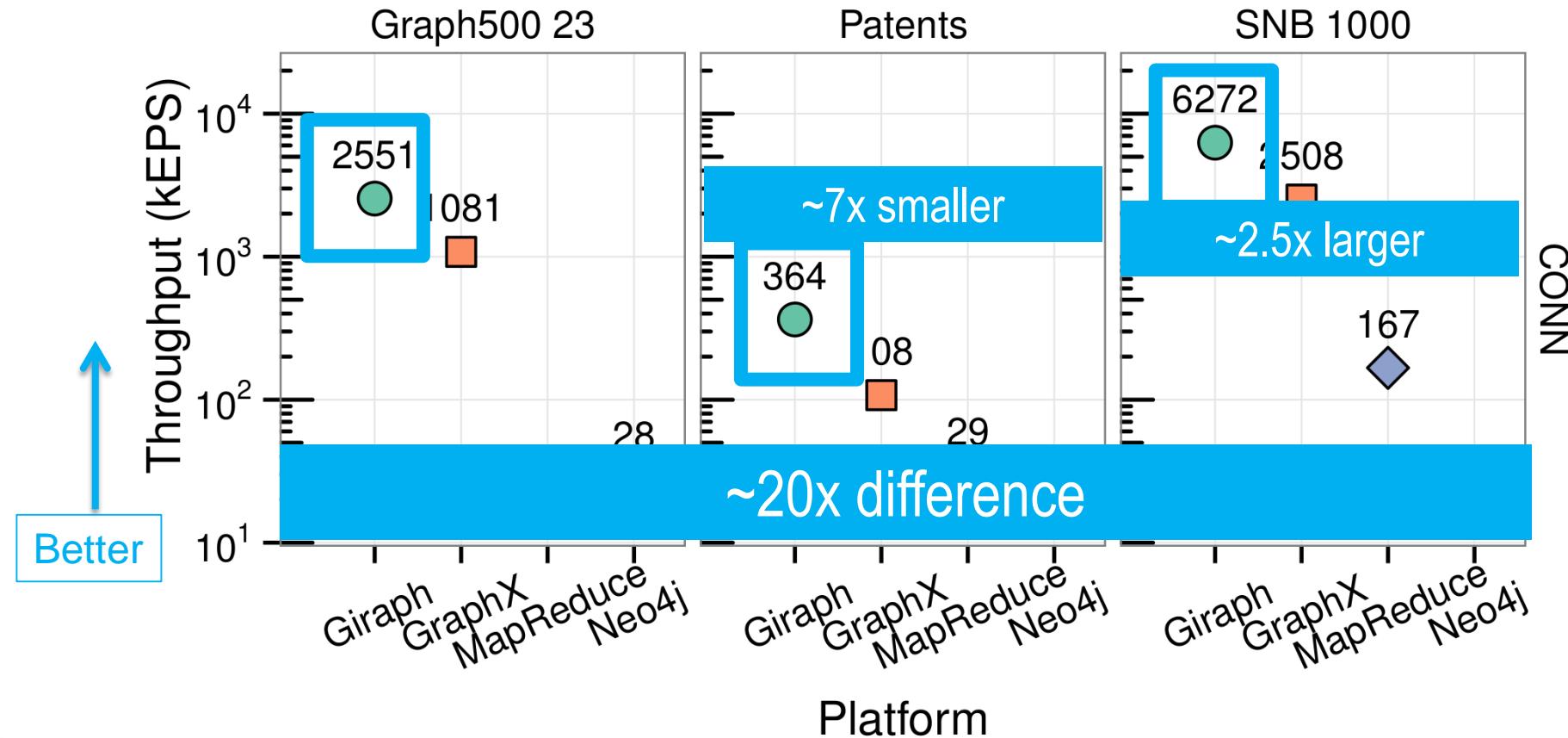
# The Algorithm Has Large Impact



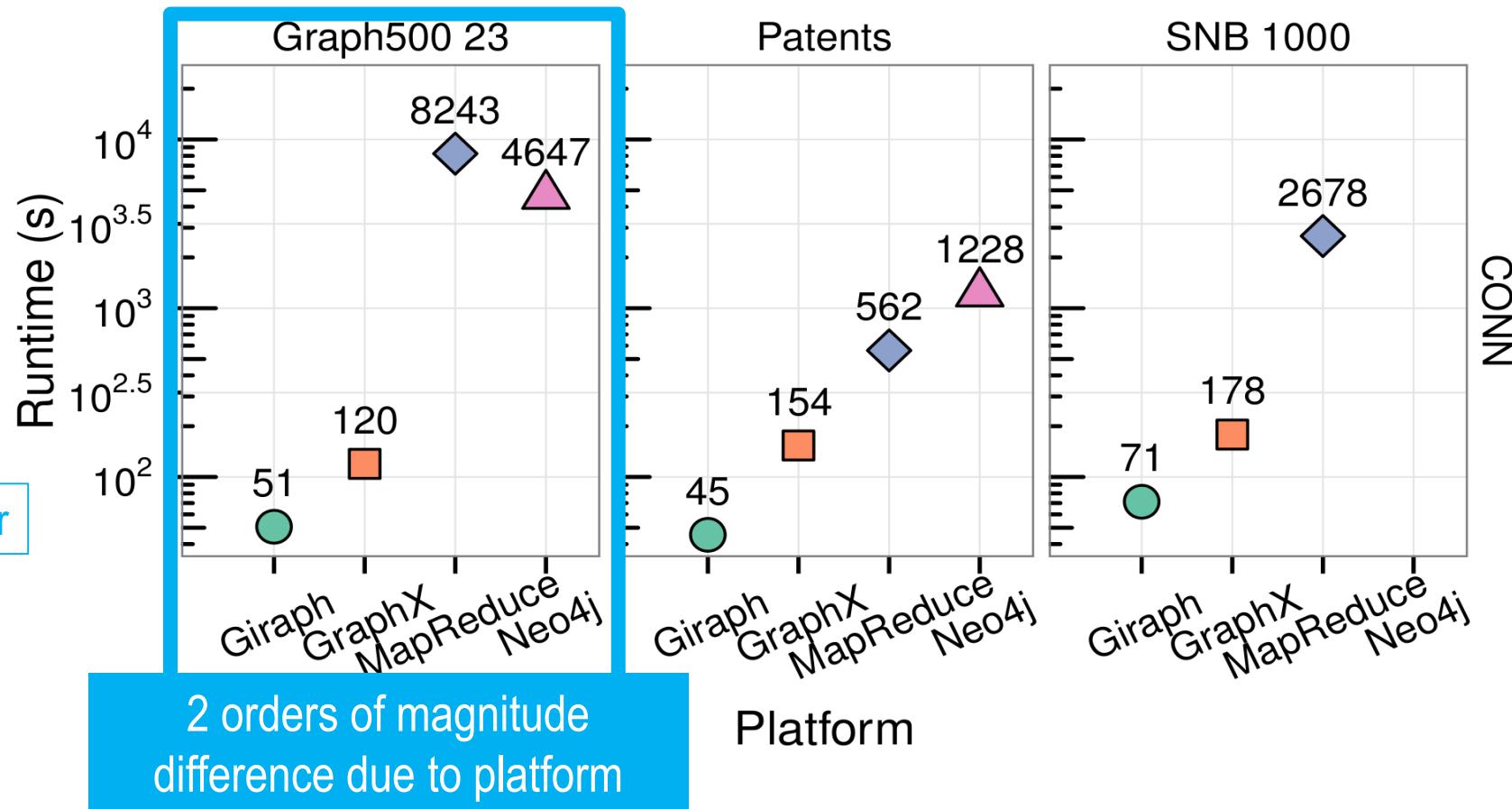
# Runtime: The Dataset Has Large Impact



# Throughput: The Dataset Has Large Impact



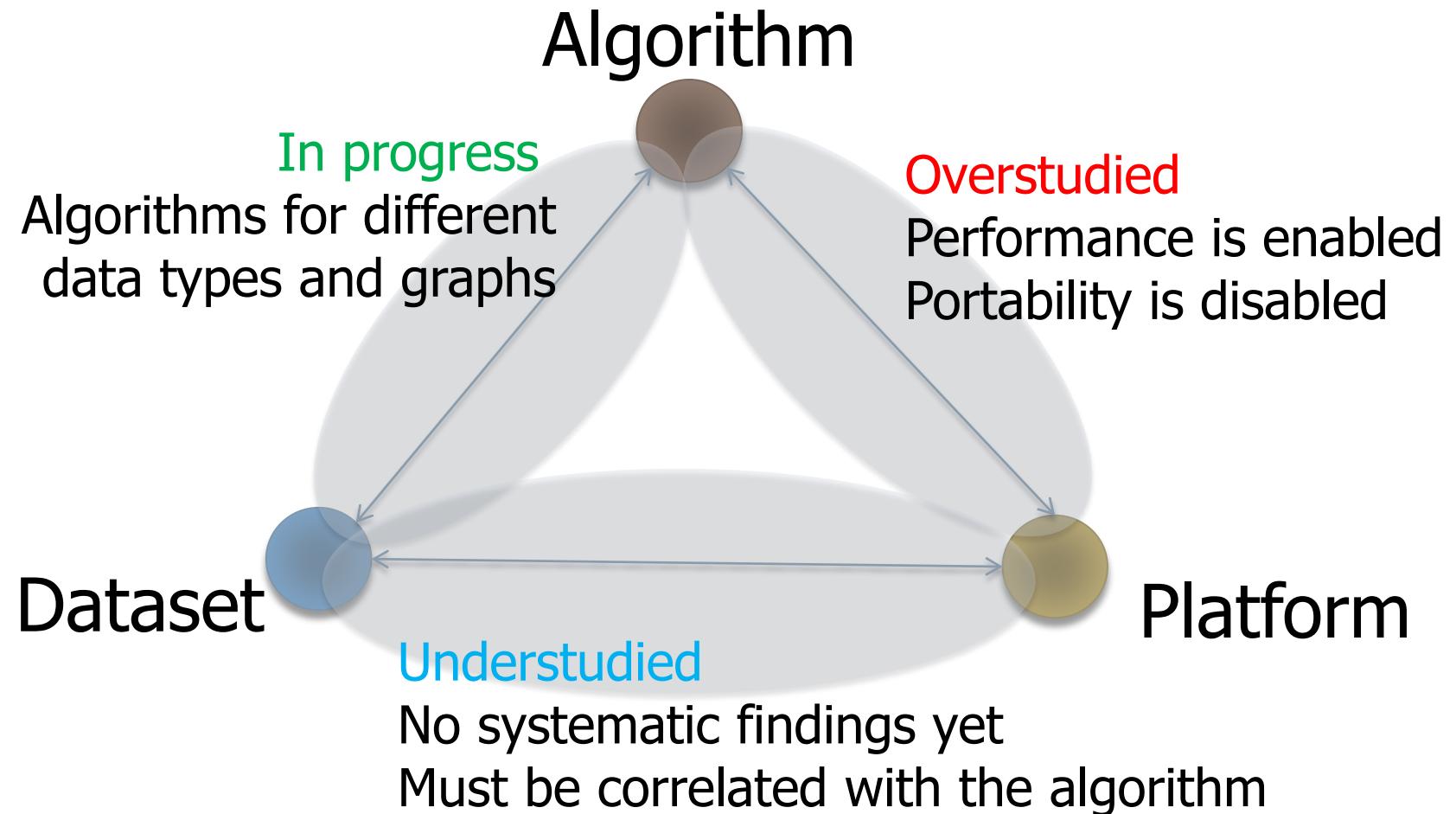
# Runtime: The Platform Has Large Impact





# The Platform-Algorithm-Dataset (PAD) Triangle for Performance Engineering of Graph-Processing Systems

Introduced  
by Ana Lucia  
Varbanescu.



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# Take-Home Message

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# What to Do Next?

## 1. Robotics = distr.sys., clouds, big data

- Consider the reference architecture

Check the  
reading list(s)

## 2. Distributed systems

- CAP theorem: what does “2 of 3” mean?
- Collaborative operations

How to make your  
robotics application  
cloud-aware?

## 3. Cloud computing

- Datacenters and elasticity as core enablers
- Cloud offloading is challenging

How to make your  
robotics application  
big-data-aware?

## 4. Big Data systems

- Ecosystem navigation is challenging

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