

Big Data in Production: Lessons from Running in the Cloud

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From Prototype to Production

Wow!! I got it to work!

How soon can I have a million of those?



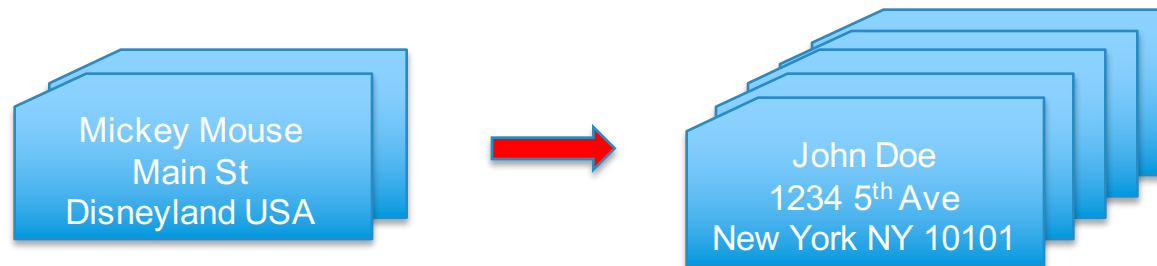
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Production “ilities”

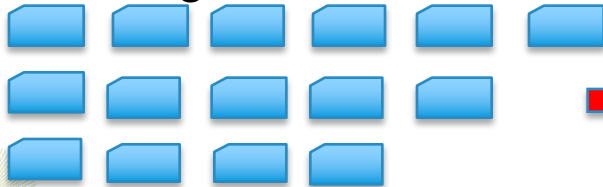
- **Scalability**: many jobs, running day-in and day-out
- **High availability**: no excuses for not delivering results
- **Maintainability**: seamless upgrades, security patches, backups, ...
- **Evolvability**: the new person, a year from now, can add new features to your production system
- ...



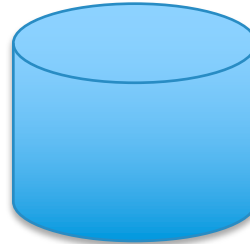
Test Data → Valuable Data



Metering records



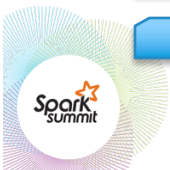
Bills



My bill

A diagram showing a blue document icon representing a bill, with a large red question mark to its right.

S3:	\$123
EC2:	\$450
Redshift:	\$303
Quicksight:	\$242
...	



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Algorithmic efficiency → “mundane” efficiency

Constants matter



The never-ending battle against waste



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Fine-Grained Control vs. Ease-of-Use



VS.



You'll never believe the variety of workloads they'll feed you

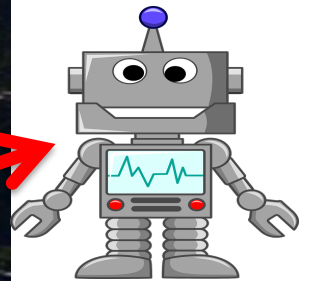


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Scale → Automation



HELP!



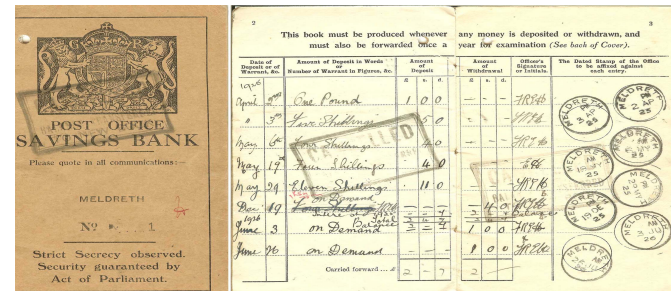
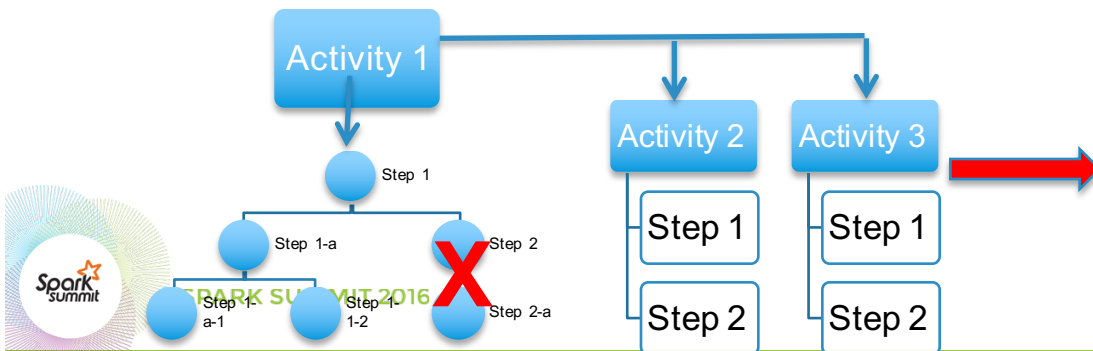
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High Availability

Single points of failure vs. “large scale events”



Where did it go wrong, when, and why??



Security and Identity/Access Management



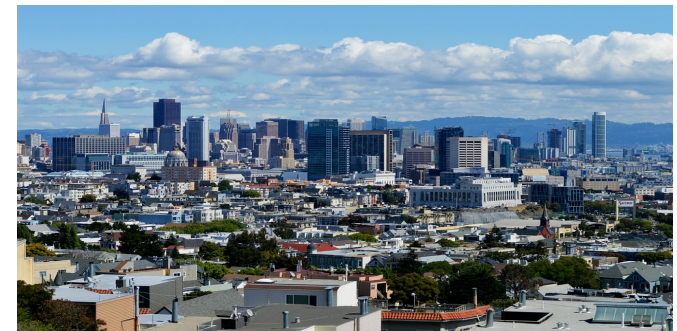
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Mundane Efficiency

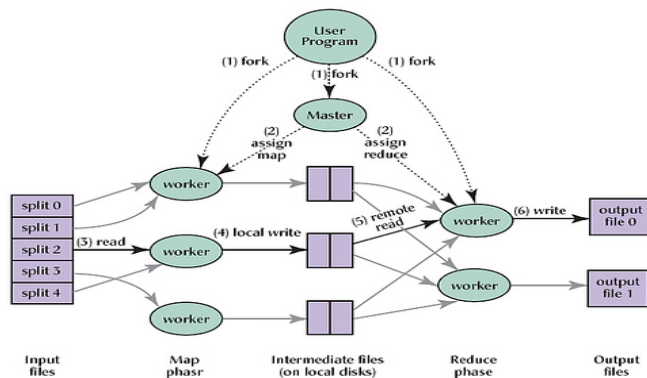
- **Support for smart usage:** usage reports, billing alerts, cost explorers, life-cycle management, etc.
- **Multi-tenant solutions become necessary but take a new way of thinking**
 - The cloud is all about elastic resource management. But that's only part of the solution
 - Also need help with cross-account access management, fine-grained cost/benefit allocation, etc.
 - But things like IAM, detailed billing reports, and Cost Explorer can help.
- Ditto for reusability of services, computations, data, results, etc.



From Pioneers to Settlers



From “**do it exactly the way I tell you to**” to “**just do it**”



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foreach inputDataSet in sources  
  computeAlgorithm
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Production readiness has to be built in

The potential of Big Data























The production use of Big Data

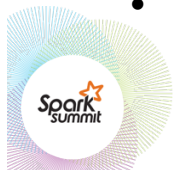


- Automate “everything”
- Security by default
- End-to-end change journals and audit logs
- Serverless, event-driven computing
- Reproducibility, support for data amendments
- Support for relentless cost reduction



Luckily the Cloud can do most of the heavy lifting for you

- CloudFormation , Opsworks , Spark on EMR 
- VPC , IAM , Cloudtrail  AWS Config , KMS , ACM , CloudHSM , Inspector 
- CloudWatch Logs & Events , Lambda 
- Storage life-cycle management
 - S3 , Glacier , Snowball , DirectConnect 
- Tags, usage reports, billing alerts, cost allocation, detailed billing reports, cost explorers, Trusted Advisor , QuickSight , Redshift 



THANK YOU.



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