Evolution of Open Source Data Infrastructure

Past, Present, and Future

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Overview

Simpler times with small data

The rise of open source

Current open source landscape

Where are we headed?

Data Insights

Broadly, we care about two use cases:

- OLTP
- OLAP

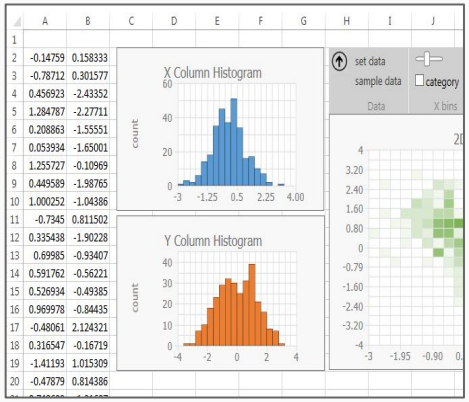
OLTP - business processing - dealing with transactions

OLAP - reporting - business intelligence

OLAP data - dimensions & measures

Small Data

Small Data Analytics



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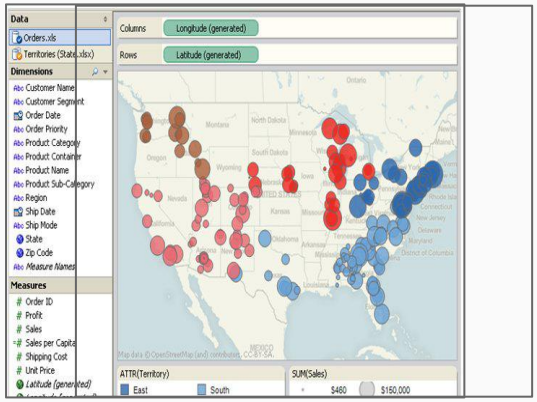

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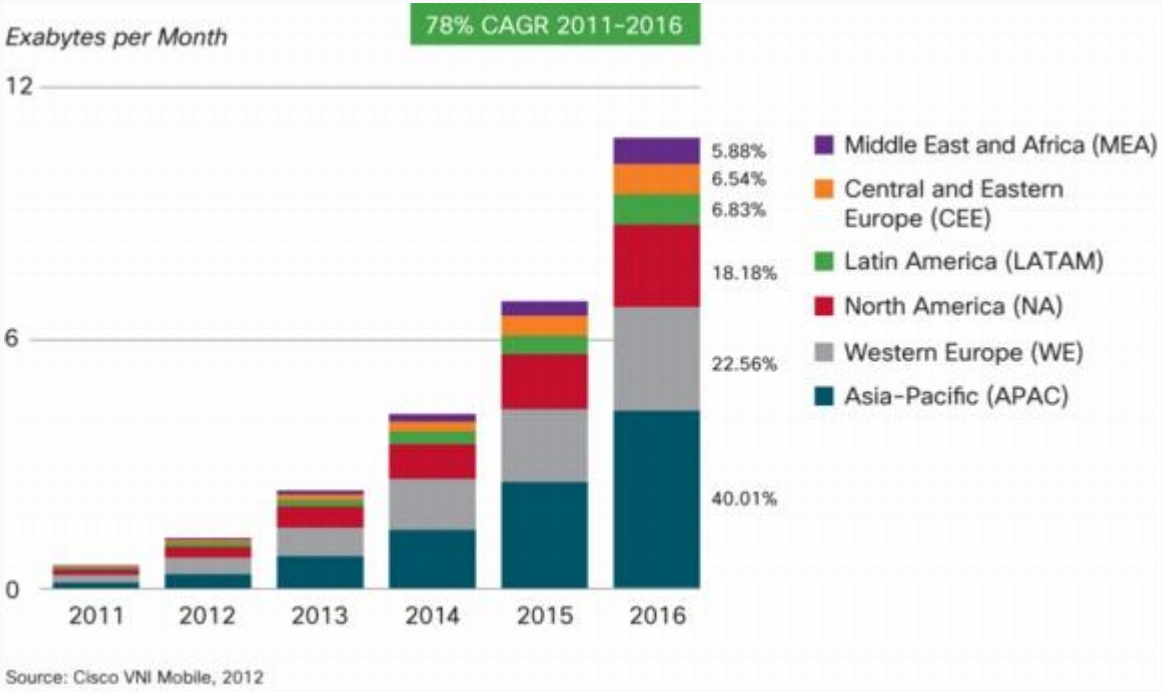
- Solutions are very simple
- Fast and easy to extract insights
- Easy to create different custom visualizations

Data Growth



MPP databases?

- Oracle, Teradata, IBM, Microsoft, etc.

Proprietary databases are expensive!

The Rise of Hadoop

Hadoop

Google GFS paper published in 2003

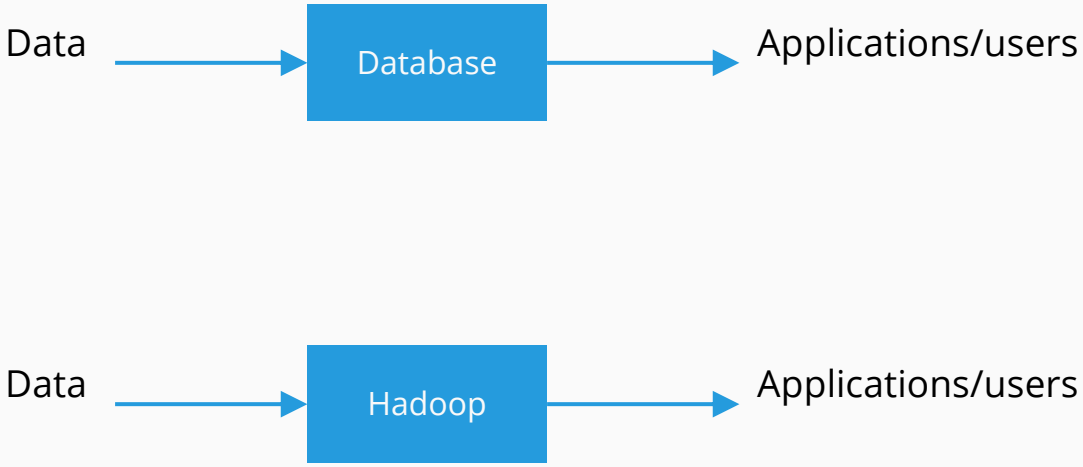
Google MapReduce paper published in 2004

Nutch project started in 2005 at Yahoo

Nutch became Hadoop and was open sourced in 2006

Community quickly grew

Early Open Source Stacks



Hadoop


Data
Storage
(HDFS)
Processing
(MapReduce)
Applications/users

Hadoop

When one technology becomes very adopted, its limitations also become more well known

Hadoop is a very flexible solution

Most commonly used for data processing

Not optimized for many things - many inefficiencies!

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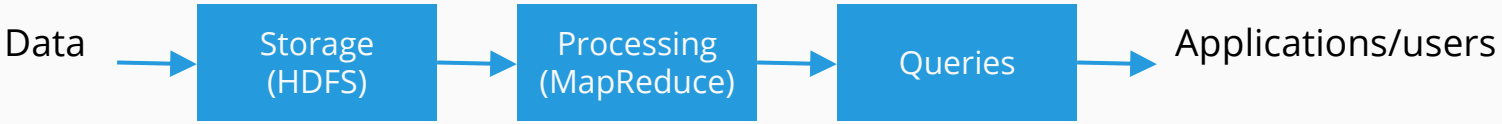
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Rise of Open Source Data Infrastructure

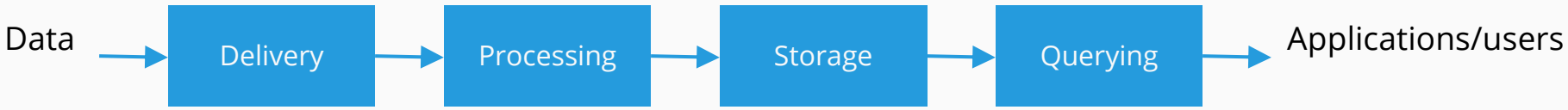
Things Hadoop isn't good at:

- Fast queries
- Deliver (streams of) events
- Stream processing
- In-memory computation

These limitations led to new technologies to be created

Data Infrastructure Space Today

Modern Open Source Stacks



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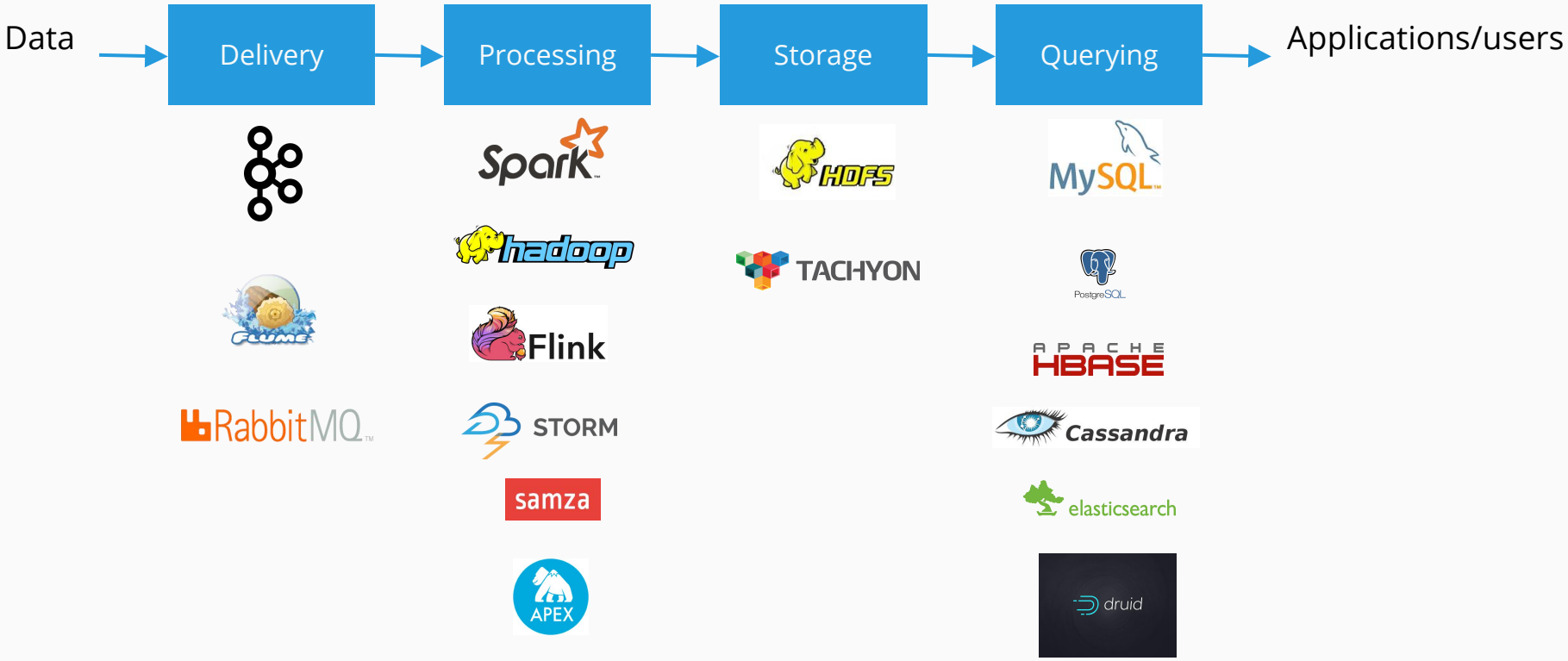

Data Delivery

Data Delivery

Focus is storing data for a limited time and delivering it elsewhere

Three different approaches

- Apache Kafka - publish/subscribe, transaction queues
- RabbitMQ - publish/subscribe, distributed queues
- Apache Flume - push-based event delivery

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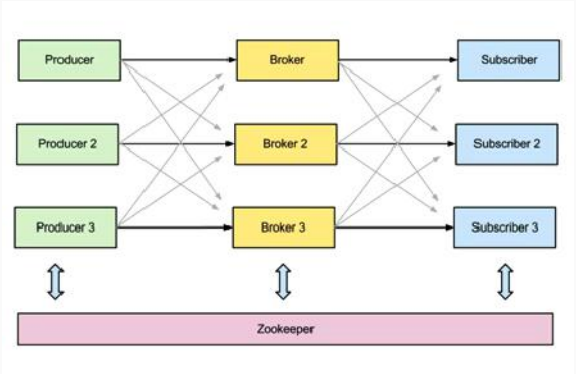

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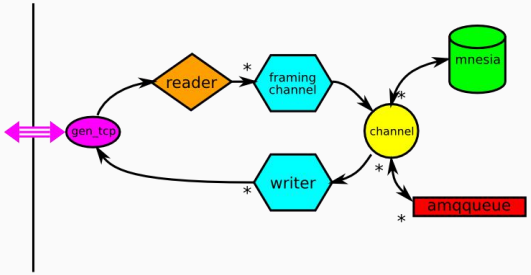

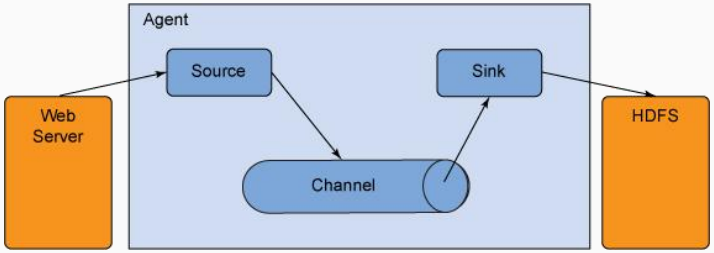

Storage

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Distributed file systems

Store data indefinitely

Standard: HDFS

Can overlap with delivery systems (e.g. Kafka)

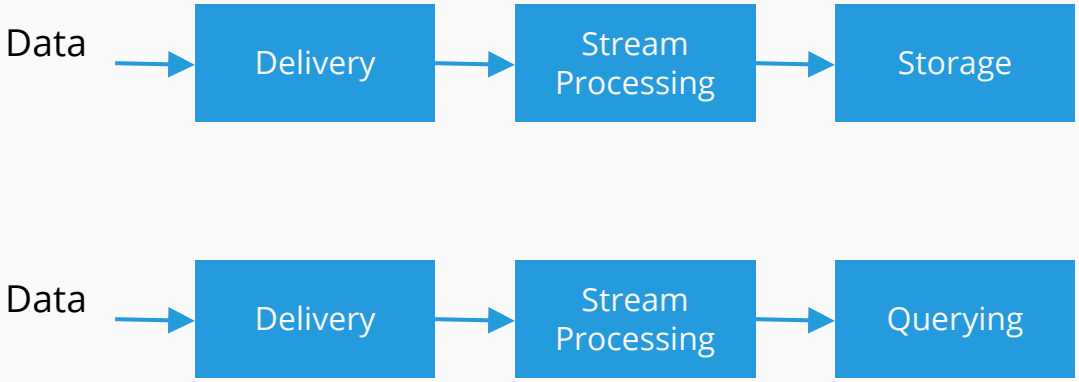
Processing

Processing systems are designed to transform data

Has overlap with querying systems

- Query systems: output set smaller than input set
- Processing systems: output set same size as input set
- Having separation is more standard nowadays

Stream Processing



Stream Processing

Systems deal with unbounded messages/events

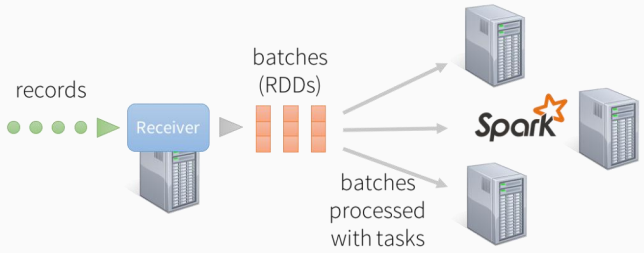
Different approaches

- Spark Streaming
- Storm
- Samza
- Flink
- Kafka Streams
- etc.

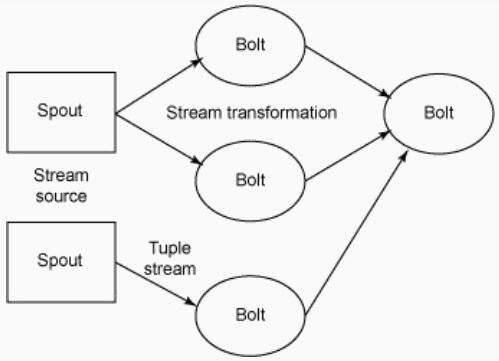
Stream Processing

Spark Streaming

discretized stream processing



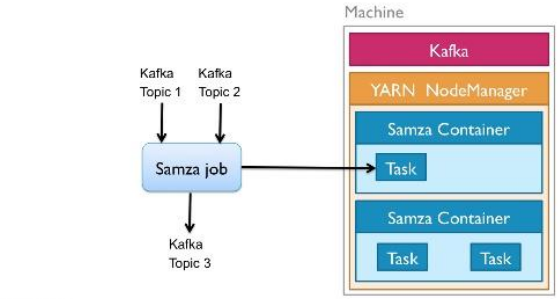
records processed in batches with short tasks
each batch is a RDD (partitioned dataset)



STORM

samza

Samza Architecture



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Batch Processing

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Manipulate (large) static sets of data

Different approaches

- Spark
- Hadoop

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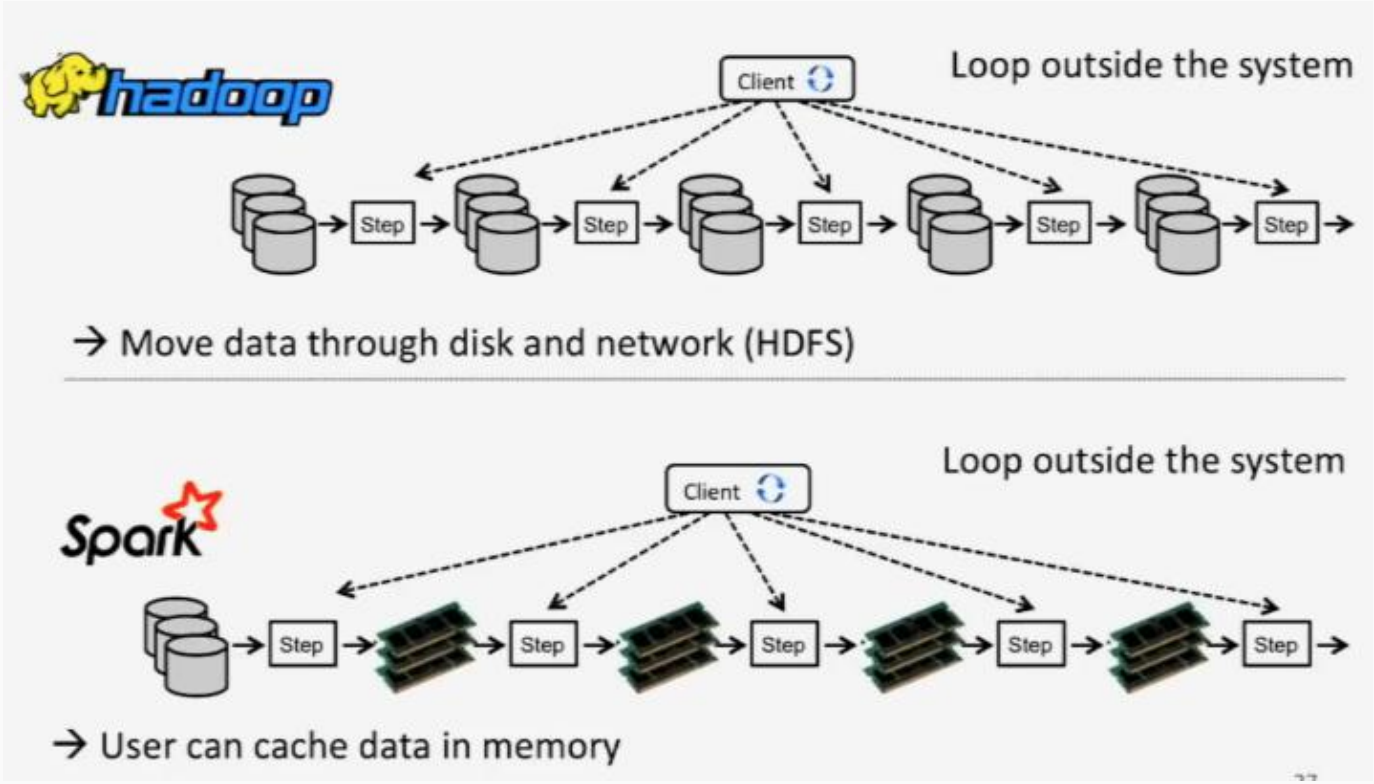
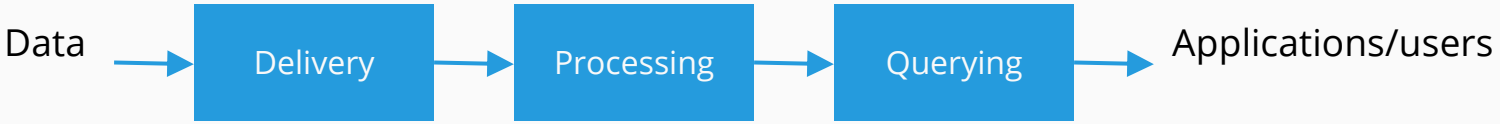


Querying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Querying

Largest and most complex (broad range of use cases)

Let’s focus on the most common use case:

- Business intelligence/data warehousing/OLAP

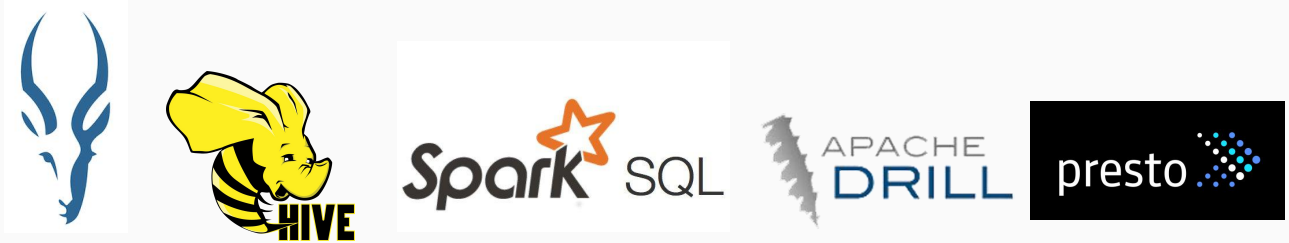
Significant overlap with storage

- Separation is becoming more common

SQL-on-Hadoop

Enable ad-hoc queries on different input formats

Examples: Impala, Hive, Spark SQL, Drill, Presto



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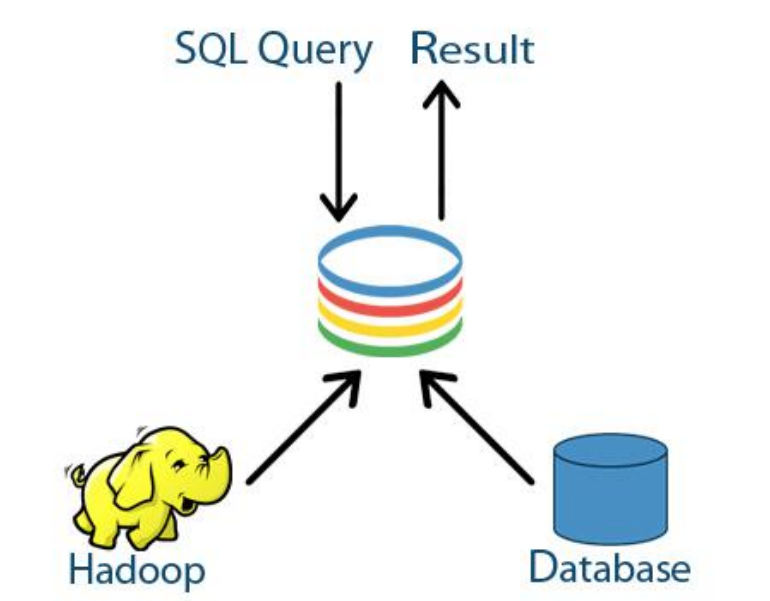

SQL-on-Hadoop

Advantages:

- Flexible /w full SQL support

Disadvantages:

- Slow - serialization/deserialization can have overhead

Many new storage formats

- Apache Parquet, Apache Kudu, Apache Arrow, etc.

Key/Value Stores

Very fast writes

Very fast lookups

Timeseries databases often have K/V storage engines

Key/Value Stores

Pre-computation

- Pre-compute every possible query
- Pre-compute a set of queries
- Exponential scaling costs

ts	gender	age	revenue
1	M	18	$0.15
1	F	25	$1.03
1	F	18	$0.01

Key	Value
1	revenue=$1.19
1,M	revenue=$0.15
1,F	revenue=$1.04
1,18	revenue=$0.16
1,25	revenue=$1.03
1,M,18	revenue=$0.15
1,F,18	revenue=$0.01
1,F,25	revenue=$1.03

Key/Value Stores

Range scans

- Primary key: dimensions/attributes
- Value: measures/metrics (things to aggregate)
- Still too slow!

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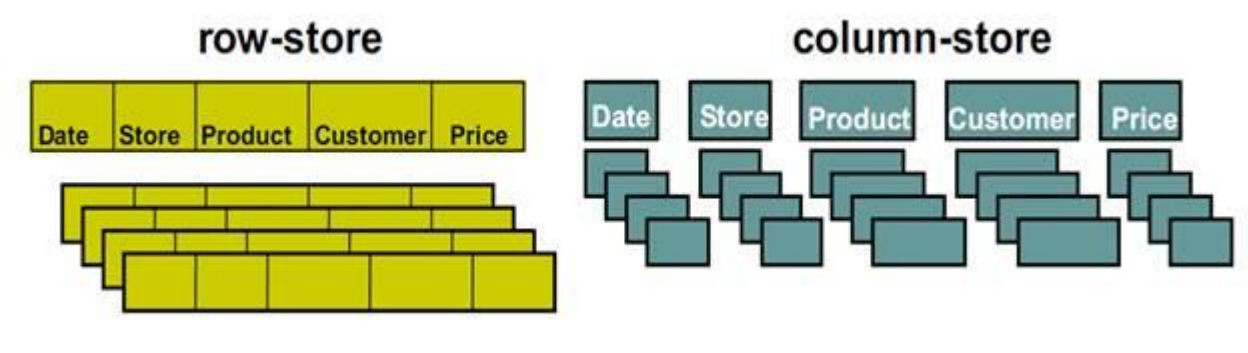
Column stores

Load/scan exactly what you need for a query

Different compression algorithms for different columns

- Encoding for string columns
- Compression for measure columns

Different indexes for different columns



Druid

Targeted for extremely low latency queries - powering user-facing analytic applications

Custom column format optimized for event data and BI queries

Supports lots of concurrent reads

Streaming data ingestion

So many choices!

Does the project solve your use case?

Is it stable? Cheap? Fast?

Is there an active and growing community?

10x faster or 10x cheaper -- upgrade!

The Next Few Years

General Trends

Number of projects reaching saturation point

Streaming computation

In-memory computation

Standards are slowly emerging

Future Open Source Stack?

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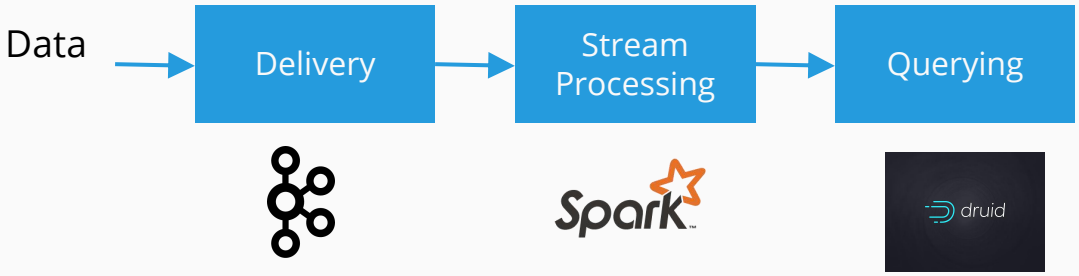

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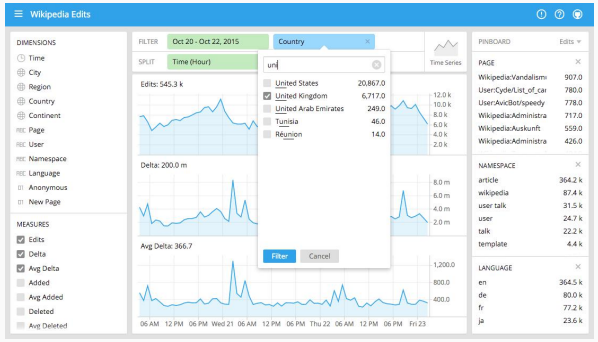

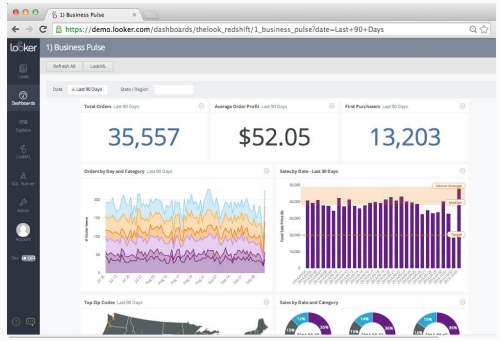

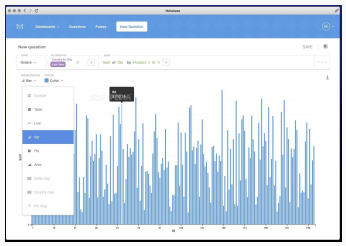

TensorFlow

DL4J Deep Learning for Java

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