

Hadoop

The present to the Future

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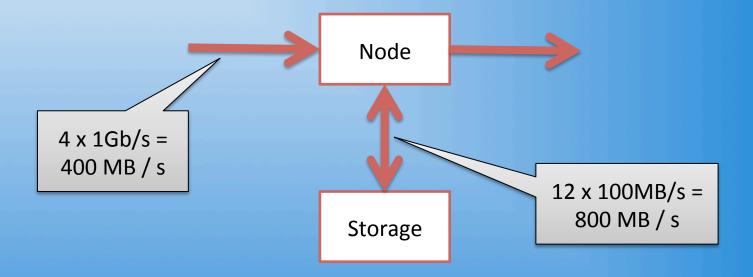
Where are we now?

- Technically, well below potential

 - Flow based programs not supported
 - Integration into larger data flows severely hampered

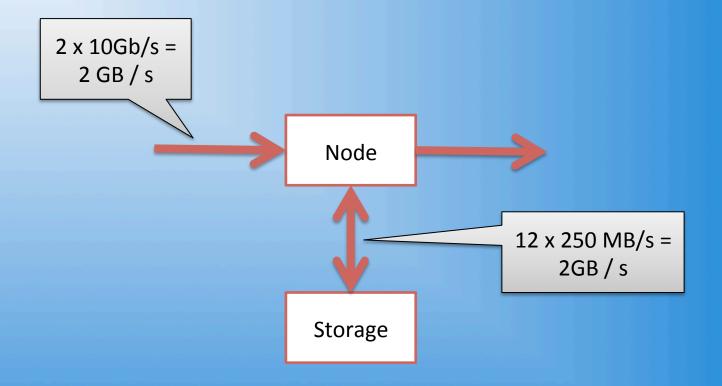


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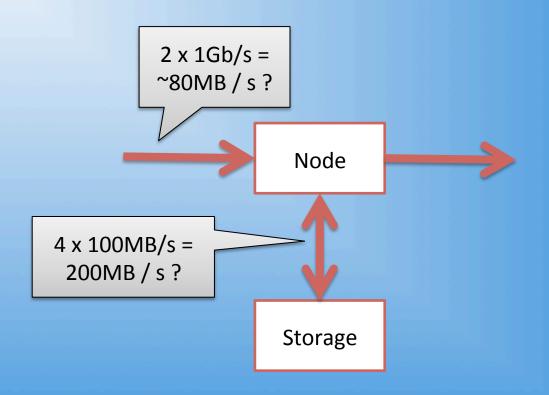


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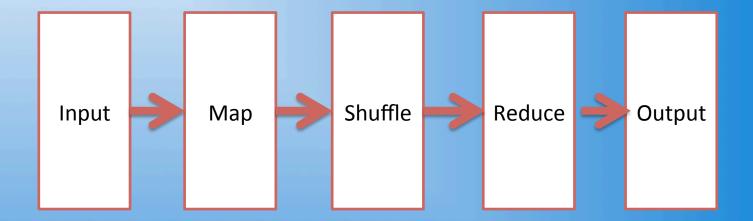


Data Flow Current Hadoop Volumes



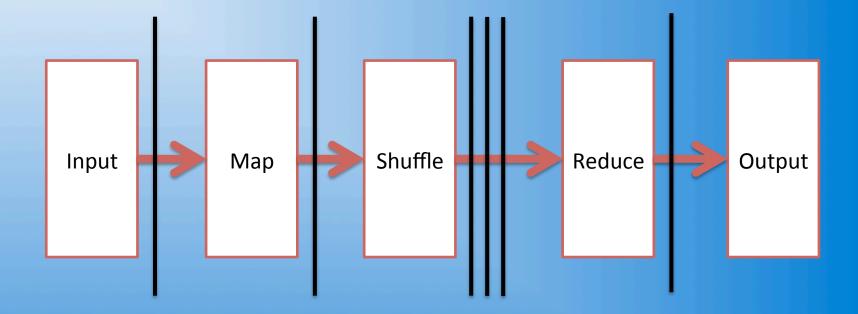


What Happens?





What Actually Happens?





But Technical Problems are "easy"

- MapR solution cost us ~ 20 person-years
 - (not just any person)
- MR 2.0 is coming (really)



A Provocateur's History

- Nutch had a problem
- A small team produced a quick solution
- Lots of others piled on
- Things got out of hand
- Investors got involved
- And then ... beer on the train



Hadoop's (social) Problems

- Community as a virtue
 - User satisfaction is self-fulfilling
- Community as a bug
 - Assumes a single agenda
 - Assumes self-scratching
- Serious money now involved
- No single agenda any more
- Lots of players building products



What is Community?

- Shared values (merit, transparency)
- Shared goals (openness, quality, self-service)
- Focused point of contact
- Long-term personal contact
- Members are individuals
- Sense of trust



What is an Eco-system?

- Multiple agendas
- Many corporate and individual entities
- Explicitly different sets of values
- Explicitly conflicting goals
- Direct competition
- Apache community is one piece of the ecosystem



The Darker Road

- If we pretend an eco-system is a community, then:
 - Commit wars continue
 - Factionalization dominates
 - 101 forks
 - No compatibility, no way to test compatibility
 - Azure takes over



The Brighter Path

- A thousand flowers bloom
- All rooted in a common core
- Apache becomes one player among many
 - Apache Hadoop becomes the reference
 - Community => eco-system
- Users get a more predictable world
- Innovation welcomed
- Multiple development models flourish
- Many (very different) winners



But what kind of eco-system?

- Choose one:
- A totally mercenary, totally lethal, totally private eco-system?
 - What company does this best? (monkey boy!)
 - How many winners will there be?
- Or a very human, collaborative eco-system?
 - Do companies dominate this?



The key task

 The difference is whether the humans involved find common ground

Alternative 1: The Big Crash

- Inverse to the big bang
- Positive curvature universe, time-like paths are closed
- The universe expands and then collapses back into a Massive Singularity

Alternative 2: Inflationary Multiverse

- The universe (market) expands in a hyperbolic way
- Points separated by more than trivial distances are in separate light-cones
- The universe becomes a cold lonely place
- Critical mass is lost
- Can you say CPM?



Alternative 3: Green Software

- Zones of common interest (where possible)
- We build a (little bit of) formal structure
 - Call it a Consortium
 - Apache should participate, but is not the right structure
- All parties need to recognize and value alternative view points
 - Companies need to remember where the golden egg came from and why and how
 - Individuals need to see the power of concerted action
- Universal domination (ish)



What do we have now?

- Open source
- Commercial tools
- Commercial support
- Radical Surgery
- Major corporate usage



Open source

- From Apache:
 - Hadoop, Zookeeper, Lucene, Hive, Mahout, Pig, Hbase, Flume, Avro
- From others:
 - Plume, Mesos, Twister, Spark



Commercial tools

- DataMeer
- Karmasphere
- Kitenga
- Cascading



Support and Professional Services

- Cloudera
- Impetus
- ThinkBig Analytics
- Digital Reasoning
- Booz Allen
- IBM



Radical Surgery

- MapR
- DataStacks
- Spark



Major Users

- Major corporate usage
 - Twitter, Facebook, Yahoo
- Others whose names cannot be said

And a horde of leprechauns

Conflicts, Real and Imagined

- Agility versus Stability
- Append versus No-Way
- Local Write Path versus No-Way
- Major Forklift versus Only-Apache
- Proprietary versus Open Source
- What is Apache



Common Ground

- An expanding universe is good
- Allowing innovation is good
- Supporting innovation is good
- Inspiring innovation is good
- Supporting different uses is good

Which Future Do We Want?

Can't we all just get along?



Which Future Do We Want?

- Can't we all just get along?
 - No. Probably not
- Well, can we get along when we agree?
- ... Or when it doesn't really matter?
- ... Or where we could both move to an alternative acceptable to both?



Inevitabilities

We have an eco-system

It can be functional

Or disfunctional

Options

We can make our eco-system work

• It isn't what it was

And it never will be

But it can be astonishing

Thank You!

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