

# Database System Internals

## MapReduce

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# References

- **MapReduce: Simplified Data Processing on Large Clusters.** Jeffrey Dean and Sanjay Ghemawat. OSDI'04
- Mining of Massive Datasets, by Rajaraman and Ullman, <http://i.stanford.edu/~ullman/mmds.html>
  - Map-reduce (Section 20.2);
  - Chapter 2 (Sections 1,2,3 only)

# Outline

- Review high-level MR ideas from 344
- Discuss implementation in greater detail

# Map Reduce Review

- Google: [Dean 2004]
- Open source implementation: Hadoop
- MapReduce = high-level programming model and implementation for large-scale parallel data processing

# MapReduce Motivation

- Not designed to be a DBMS
- Designed to simplify task of writing parallel programs
  - A simple programming model that applies to many large-scale computing problems
- Hides messy details in MapReduce runtime library:
  - Automatic parallelization
  - Load balancing
  - Network and disk transfer optimizations
  - Handling of machine failures
  - Robustness
  - **Improvements to core library benefit all users of library!**

content in part from: Jeff Dean

# Data Processing at Massive Scale

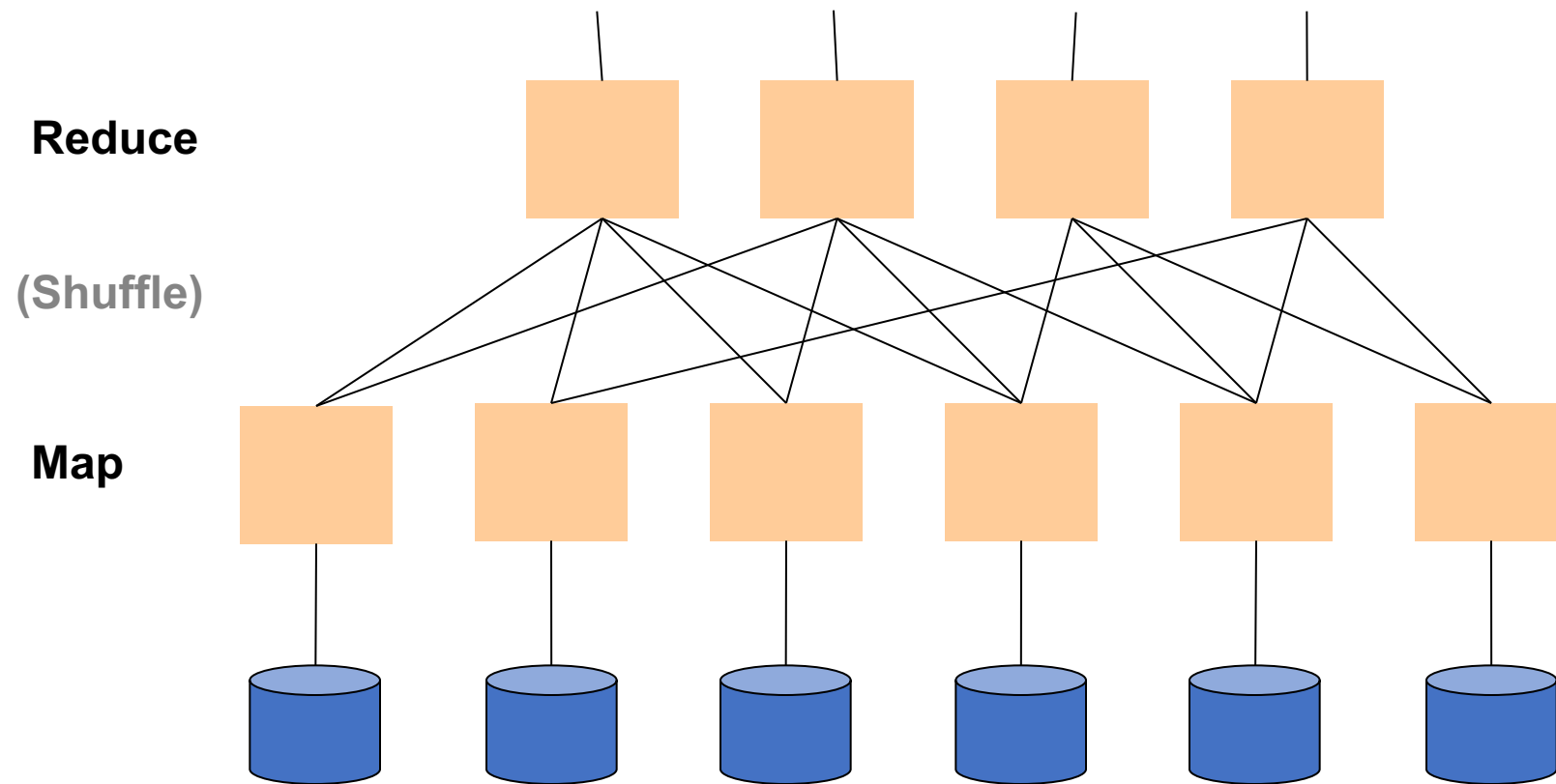
- Want to process petabytes of data and more
- Massive parallelism:
  - 100s, or 1000s, or 10000s servers (think data center)
  - Many hours
- Failure:
  - If medium-time-between-failure is 1 year
  - Then 10000 servers have one failure / hour



# Data Storage: GFS/HDFS

- MapReduce job input is a file
- Common implementation is to store files in a highly scalable file system such as **GFS/HDFS**
  - GFS: Google File System
  - HDFS: Hadoop File System
  - Each data file is split into  $M$  partitions (64MB or more)
  - Blocks are replicated & stored on random machines
  - Files are append only

# Observation: Your favorite parallel algorithm...



# Typical Problems Solved by MR

- Read a lot of data
- **Map**: extract something you care about from each record
- Shuffle and Sort
- **Reduce**: aggregate, summarize, filter, transform
- Write the results

Outline stays the same,  
map and reduce change to fit the problem

# Data Model

Files !

A file = a bag of **(key, value)** pairs

A MapReduce program:

- Input: a bag of **(inputkey, value)** pairs
- Output: a bag of **(outputkey, value)** pairs

# Step 1: the MAP Phase

User provides the **MAP**-function:

- Input: `(input key, value)`
- Output: **bag** of `(intermediate key, value)`

System applies map function in parallel to all `(input key, value)` pairs in the input file

## Step 2: the REDUCE Phase

User provides the **REDUCE** function:

- Input:  
(intermediate key, bag of values)
- Output (original MR paper): bag of output (values)
- Output (Hadoop): bag of (output key, values)

System groups all pairs with the same intermediate key, and passes the bag of values to the REDUCE function

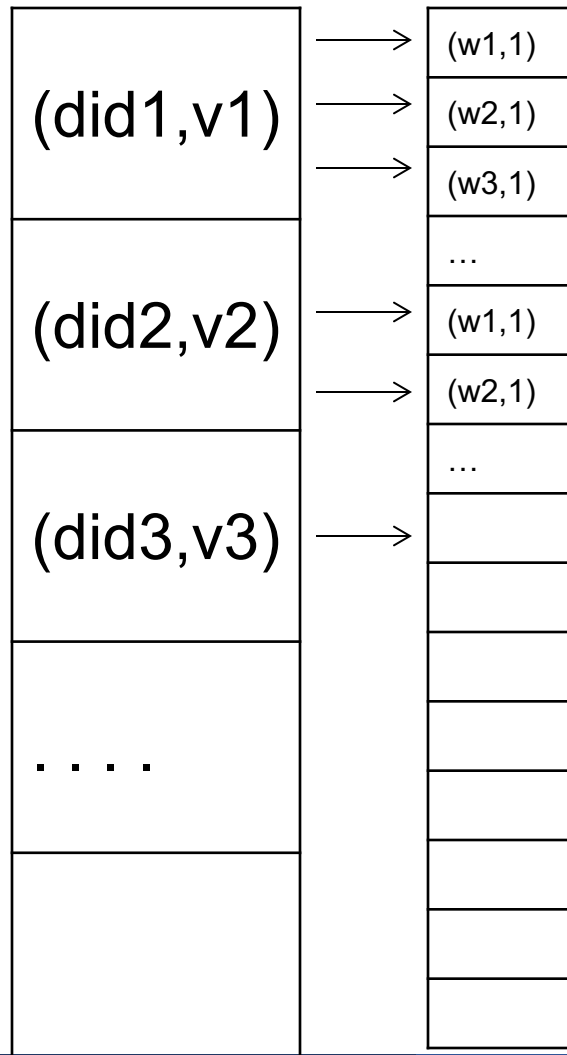
# Example

- Counting the number of occurrences of each word in a large collection of documents
- Each Document
  - The **key** = document id (**did**)
  - The **value** = set of words (**word**)

```
map(String key, String value):  
// key: document name  
// value: document contents  
for each word w in value:  
    EmitIntermediate(w, "1");
```

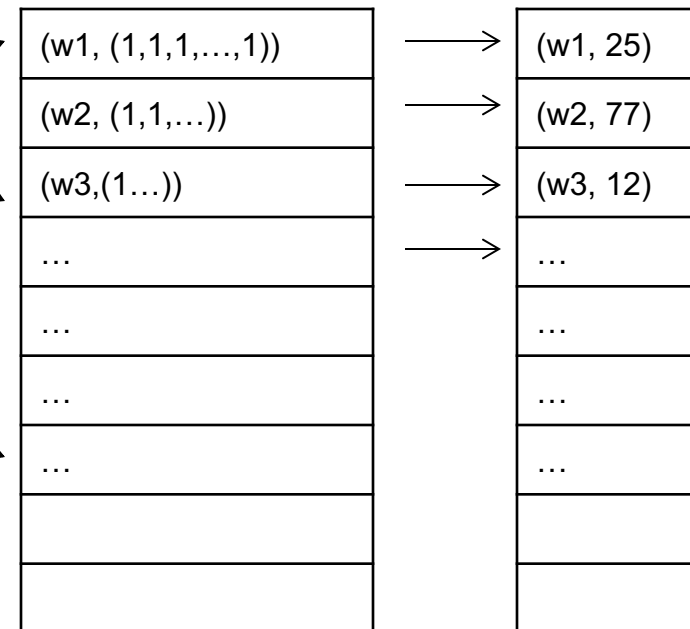
```
reduce(String key, Iterator values):  
// key: a word  
// values: a list of counts  
int result = 0;  
for each v in values:  
    result += ParseInt(v);  
Emit(AsString(result));
```

## MAP



Shuffle

## REDUCE





# Jobs vs. Tasks

- A **MapReduce Job**
  - One single “query”, e.g. count the words in all docs
  - More complex queries may consists of multiple jobs
- A **Map Task**, or a **Reduce Task**
  - A group of instantiations of the map-, or reduce-function, which are scheduled on a single worker

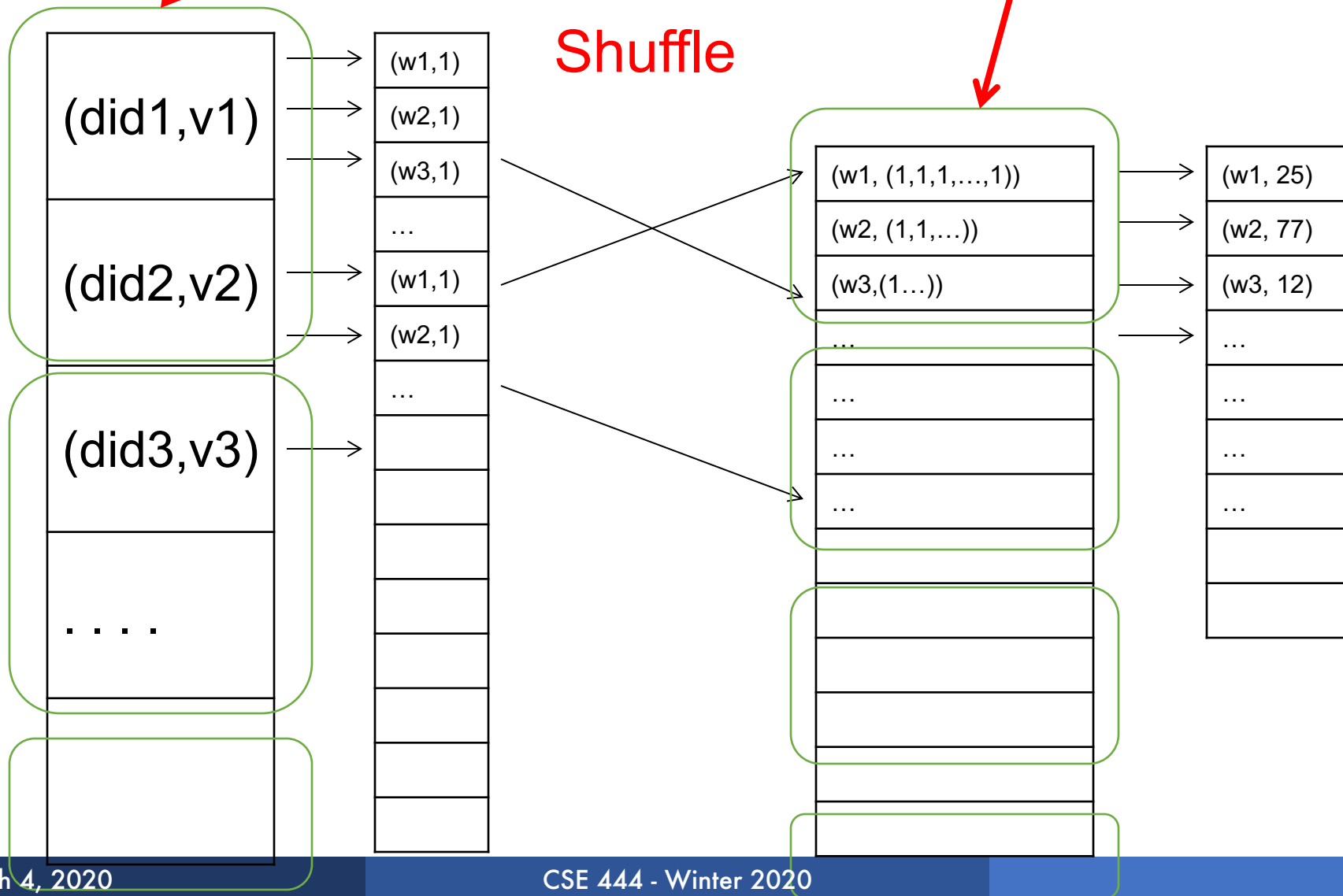
# Workers

- A **worker** is a process that executes one task at a time
- Typically there is one worker per processor, hence 4 or 8 per node
- Often talk about “slots”
  - E.g., Each server has 2 map slots and 2 reduce slots

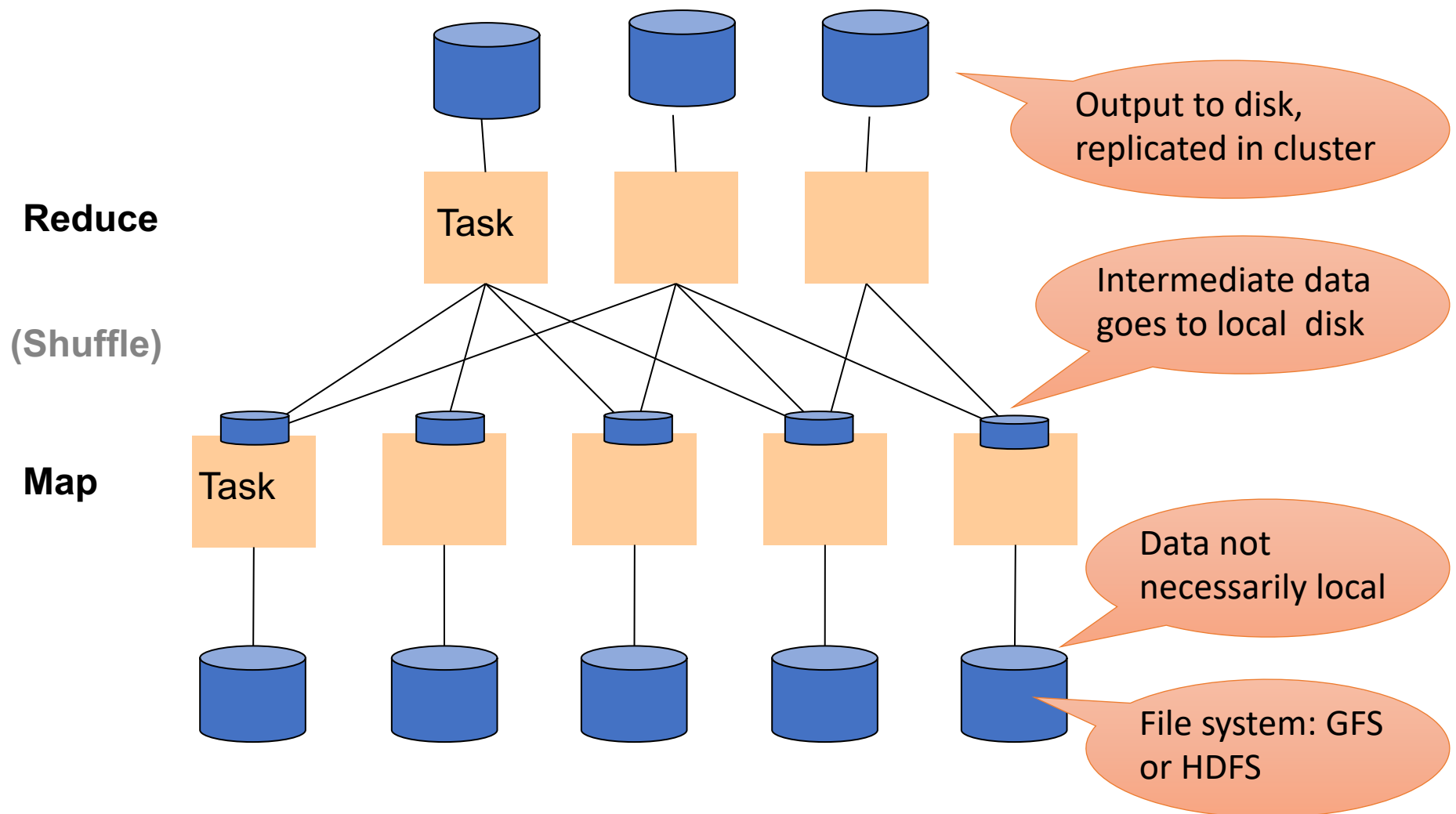
MAP Tasks

REDUCE Tasks

Shuffle



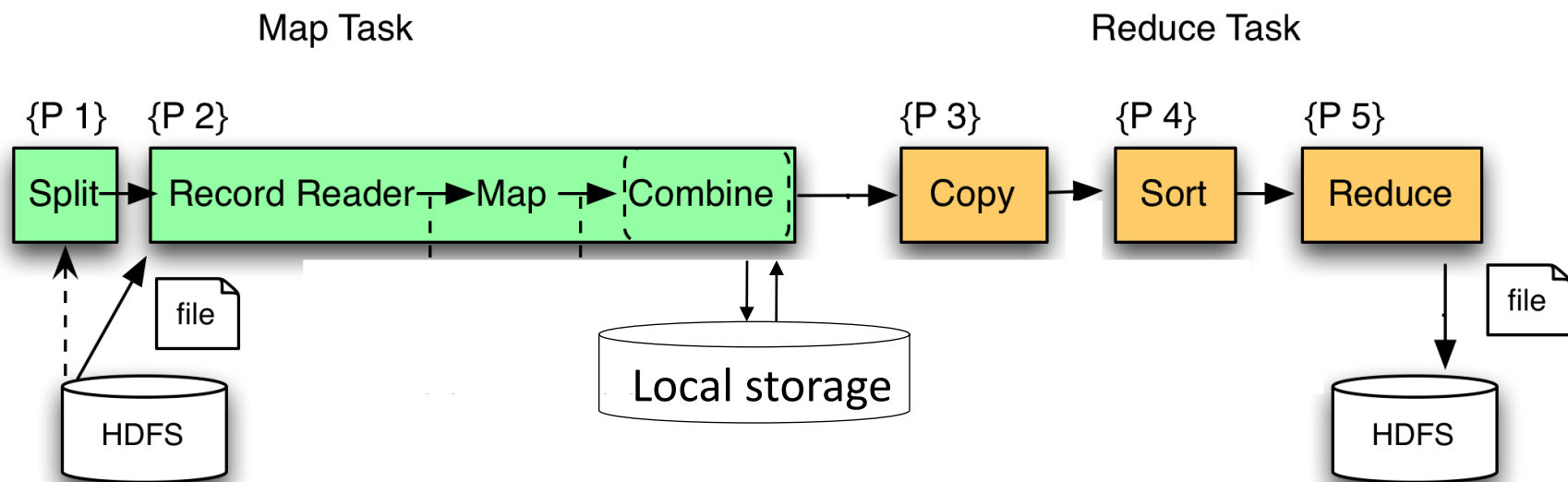
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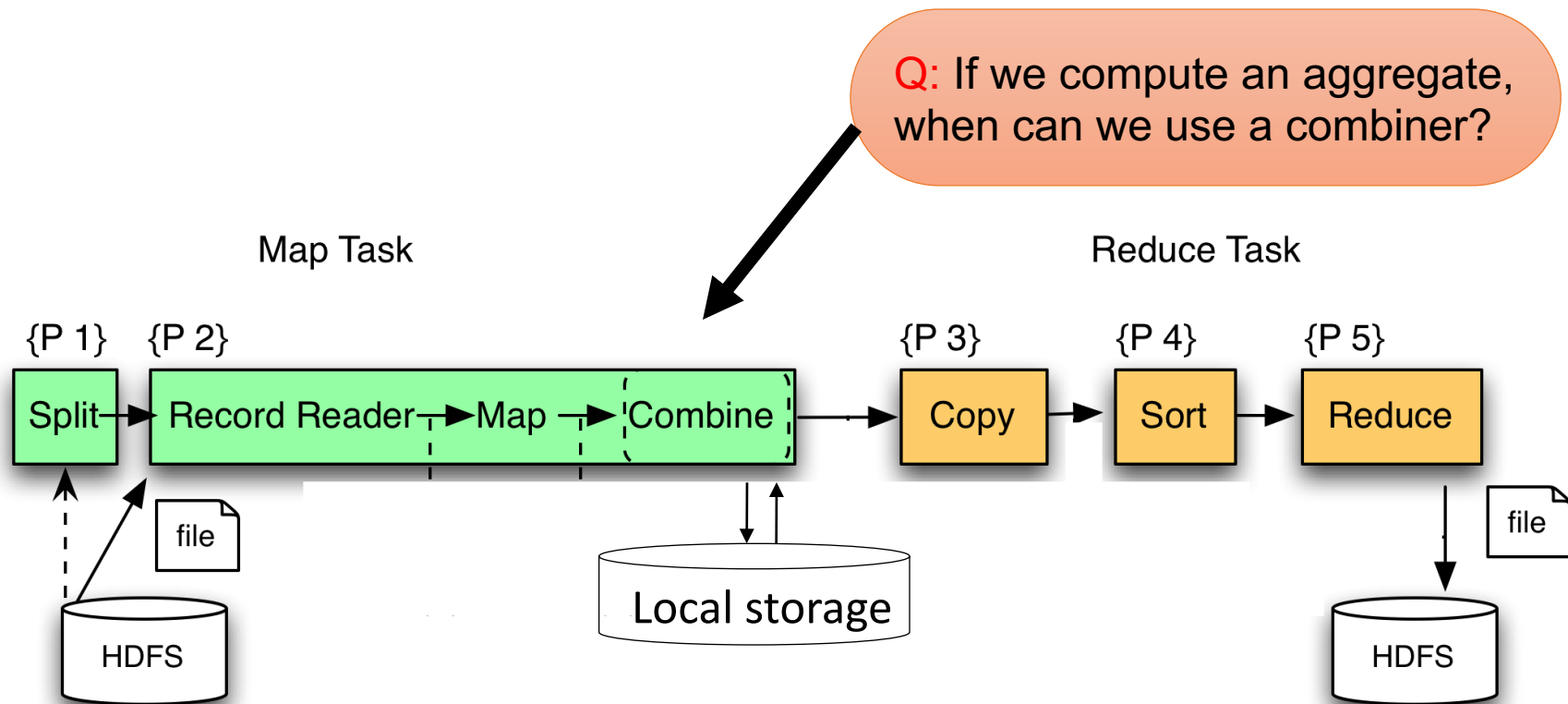
# MapReduce Implementation

- There is one master node
- Input file gets partitioned further into  $M'$  splits
  - Each split is a contiguous piece of the input file
  - By default splits correspond to blocks
- Master assigns *workers* (=servers) to the  $M'$  *map tasks*, keeps track of their progress
- Workers write their output to local disk
- Output of each map task is partitioned into  $R$  *regions*
- Master assigns workers to the  $R$  *reduce tasks*
- Reduce workers read regions from the map workers' local disks

# MapReduce Phases

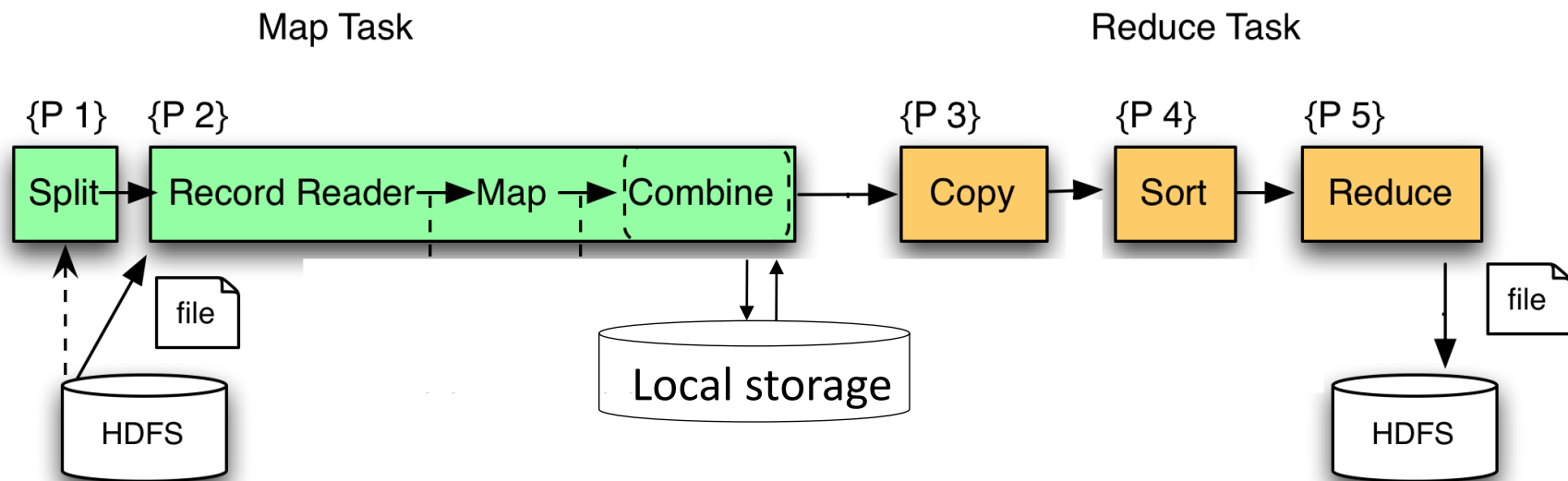


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Combine runs same code as reduce





# Interesting Implementation Details

- Worker failure:
  - Master pings workers periodically,
  - If down then reassigns its task to **another worker**
  - ( $\neq$  a parallel DBMS restarts whole query)
- How many map and reduce tasks:
  - Larger is better for load balancing
  - But more tasks also add overheads
  - ( $\neq$  parallel DBMS spreads ops across all nodes)

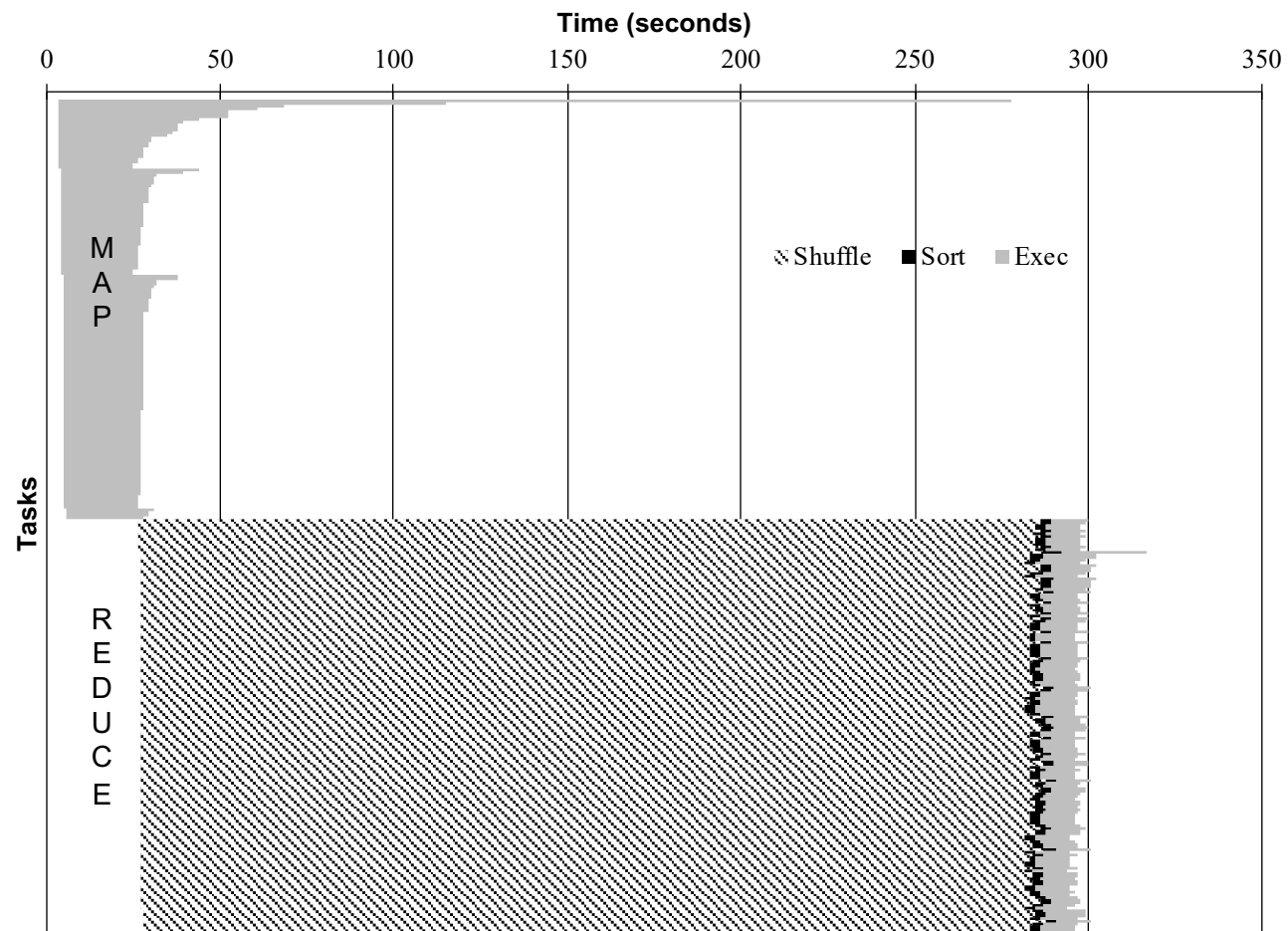
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## Backup tasks:

- **Straggler** = a machine that takes unusually long time to complete one of the last tasks. Eg:
  - Bad disk forces frequent correctable errors (30MB/s → 1MB/s)
  - The cluster scheduler has scheduled other tasks on that machine
- Stragglers are a main reason for slowdown
- Solution: *pre-emptive backup execution of the last few remaining in-progress tasks*

# Skew

## PageRank Application



# The State of MapReduce Systems

- Lots of extensions to address limitations
  - Capabilities to write DAGs of MapReduce jobs
  - Declarative languages
  - Ability to read from structured storage (e.g., indexes)
  - Etc.
- Most companies use both types of engines (MR and DBMS), with increased integration
- New systems emerged which improve over MapReduce: e.g. Spark

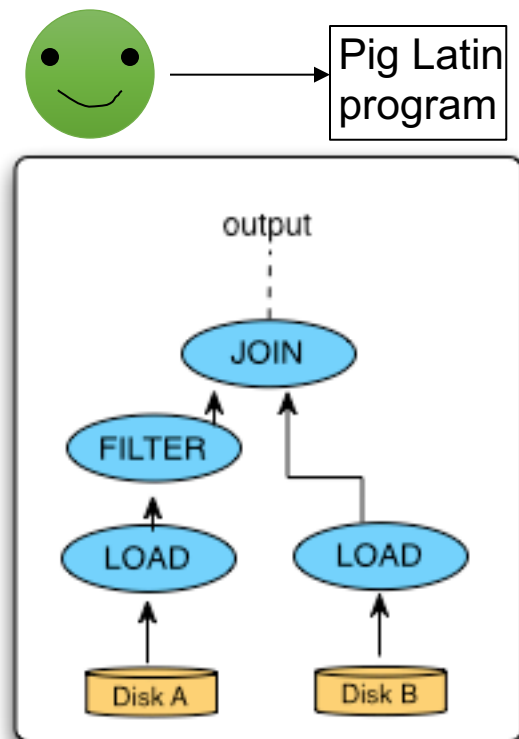
# Declarative Languages on MR

- **PIG Latin (Yahoo!)**
  - Domain specific language, like Relational Algebra
  - Open source
- **HiveQL (Facebook)**
  - SQL-like language
  - Open source
- **SQL / Tenzing (Google)**
  - SQL on MR
  - Proprietary
  - Morphed into BigQuery

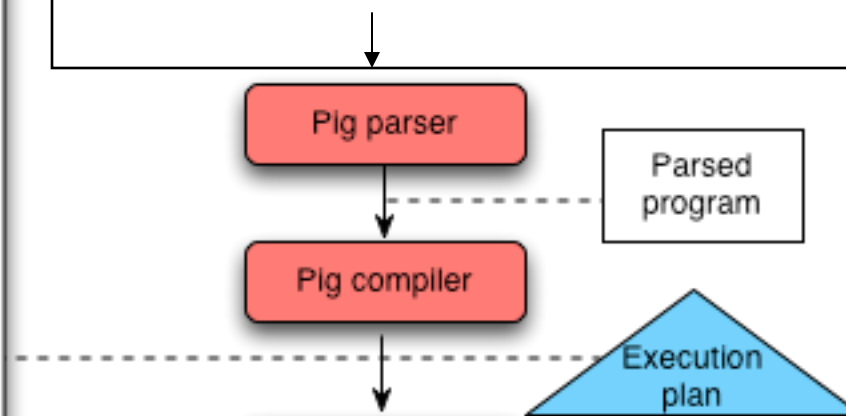
# Relational Queries over MR

- Query → query plan
- Each operator → one MapReduce job
- Example: the Pig system

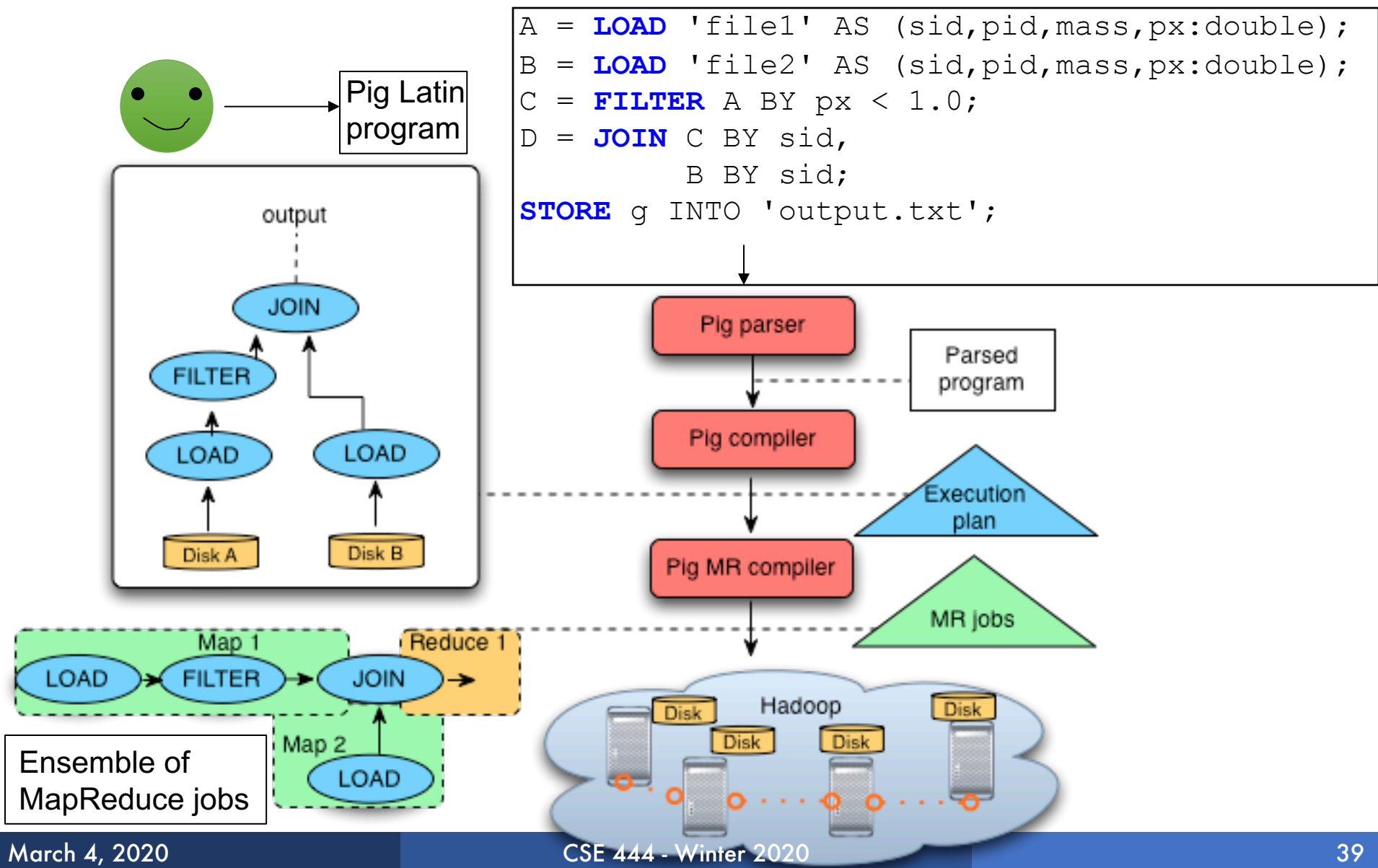
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```
A = LOAD 'file1' AS (sid,pid,mass,px:double);  
B = LOAD 'file2' AS (sid,pid,mass,px:double);  
C = FILTER A BY px < 1.0;  
D = JOIN C BY sid,  
      B BY sid;  
STORE g INTO 'output.txt';
```



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# GroupBy in MapReduce

Doc(key, word)

MapReduce IS A GroupBy!

**MAP**=GROUP BY, **REDUCE**=Aggregate

```
SELECT word, sum(1)
FROM Doc
GROUP BY word
```

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- Answer:
  - Map: group R by R.B, group S by S.B
    - Input = either a tuple  $R(a,b)$  or a tuple  $S(b,c)$
    - Output =  $(b,R(a,b))$  or  $(b,S(b,c))$  respectively
  - Reduce:
    - Input =  $(b,\{R(a_1,b),R(a_2,b),\dots,S(b,c_1),S(b,c_2),\dots\})$
    - Output =  $\{R(a_1,b),R(a_2,b),\dots\} \times \{S(b,c_1),S(b,c_2),\dots\}$
    - In practice: improve the reduce function (next...)

# Join in MR

Users(name, age)  
Pages(userName, url)

```
Users = load `users` as (name, age);  
Pages = load `pages` as (userName, url);  
Jnd = join Users by name, Pages by userName;
```

```
map([String key], String value):  
  // value.relation is either 'Users' or 'Pages'  
  if value.relation='Users':  
    EmitIntermediate(value.name, (1, value));  
  else // value.relation='Pages':  
    EmitIntermediate(value.userName, (2, value));
```

```
reduce(String user, Iterator values):  
  Users = empty; Pages = empty;  
  for each v in values:  
    if v.type = 1: Users.insert(v)  
    else Pages.insert(v);  
  for v1 in Users, for v2 in Pages  
    Emit(v1,v2);
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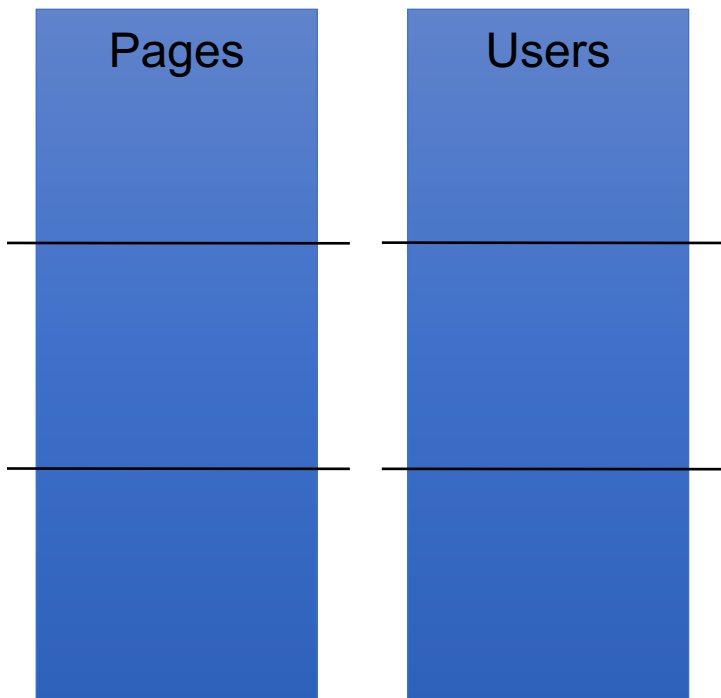
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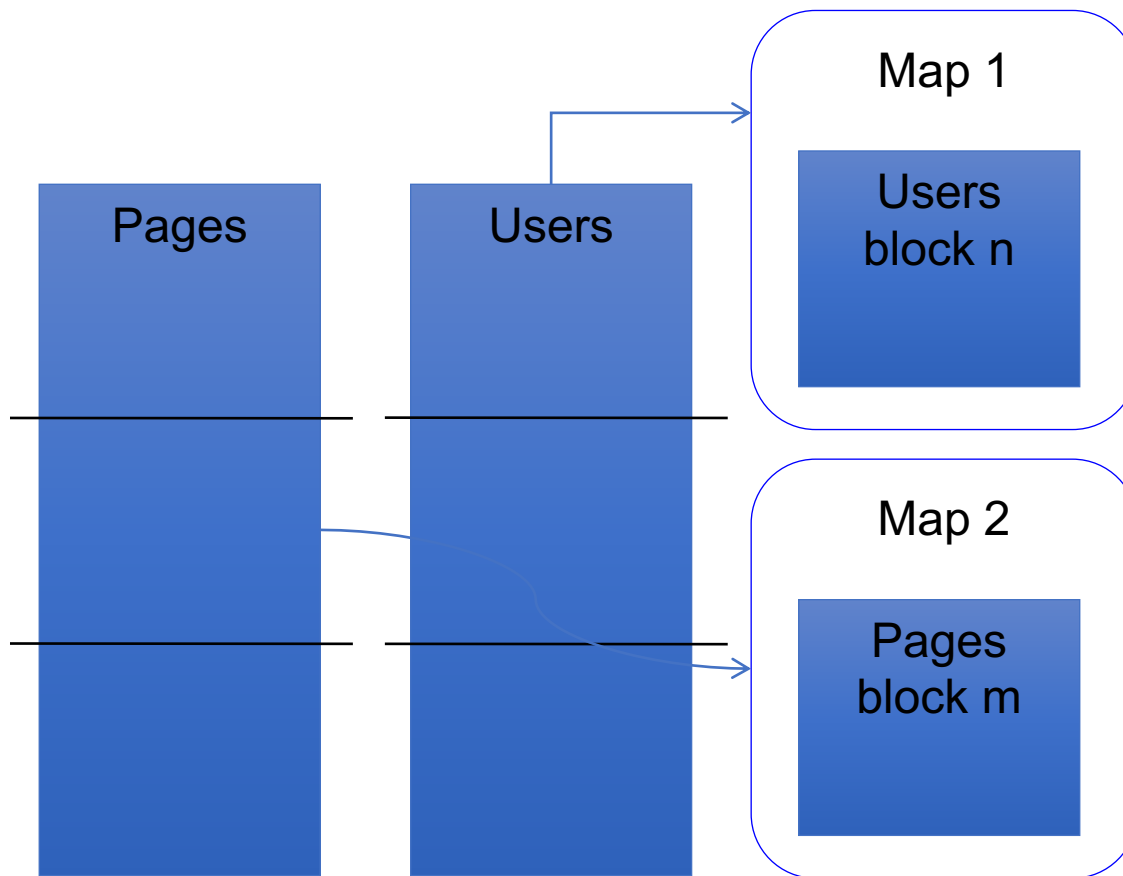
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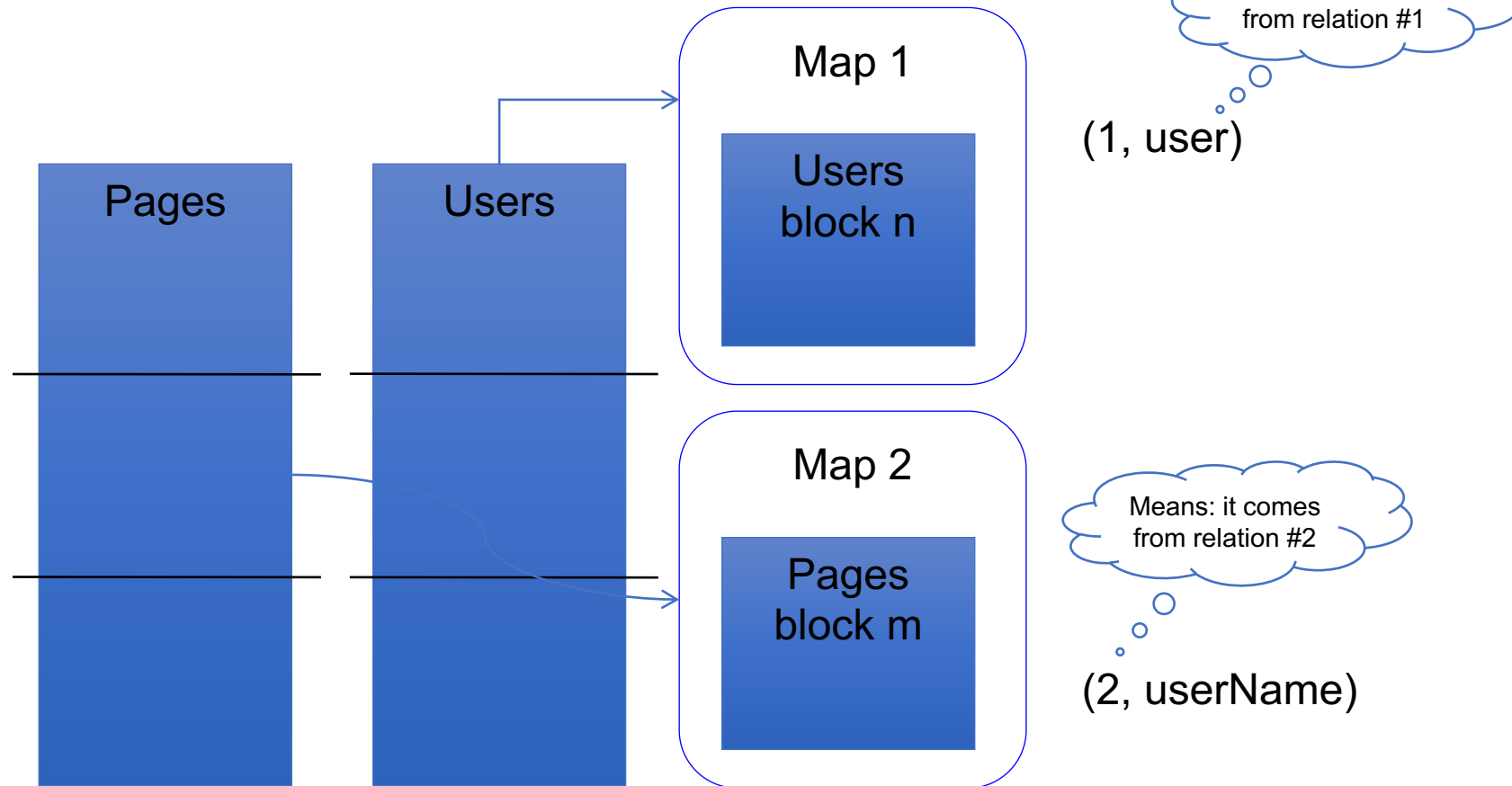
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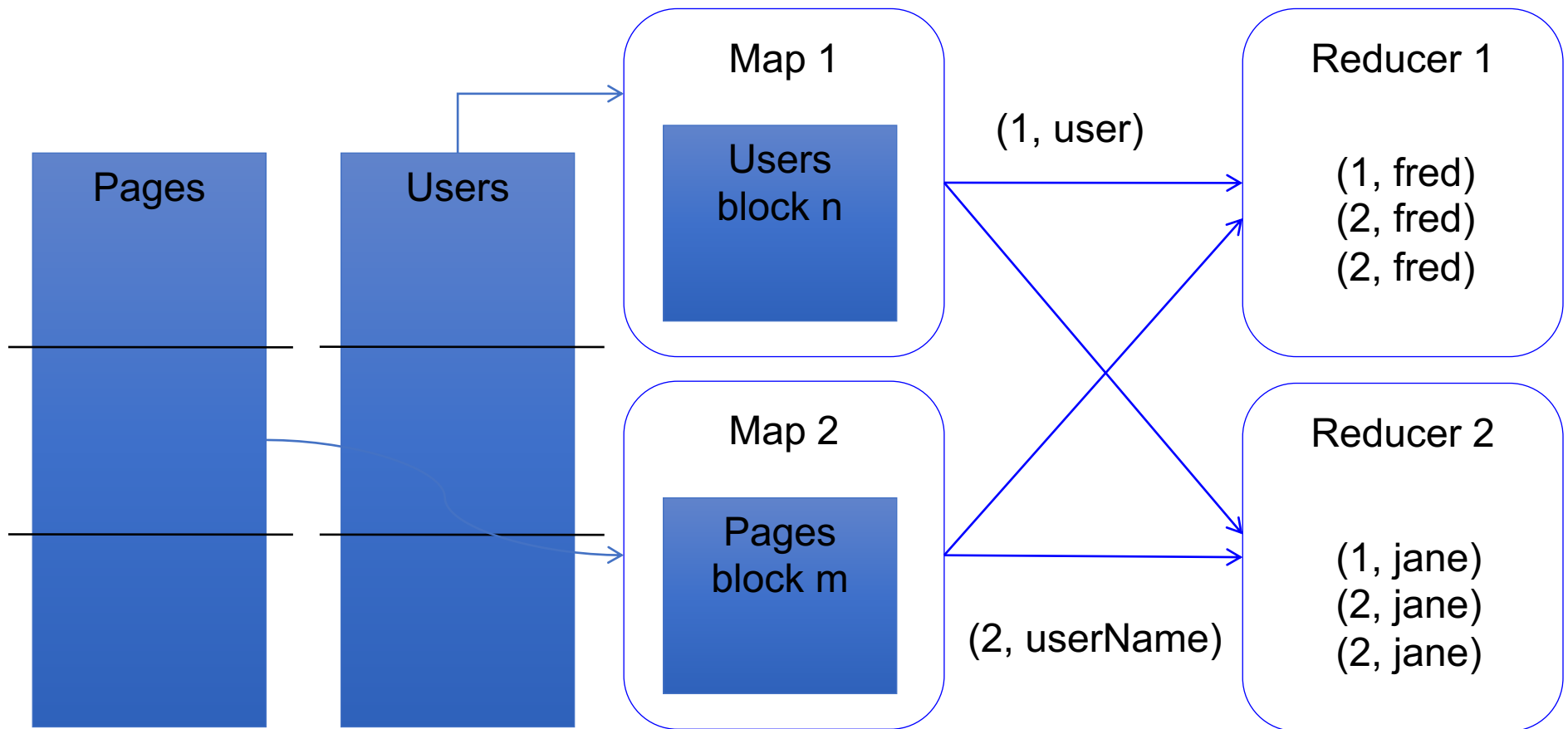




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- Many pre-defined operators: relational algebra
- Can easily combine operators into complex queries
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  - Updates and transactions, constraints, security, etc.

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Interesting historical reading:

*MapReduce: A major step backwards* by David DeWitt

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## ■ MapReduce

- Data model is a file with key-value pairs!
- No need to “load data” before processing it
- Easy to write user-defined operators
- Can easily add nodes to the cluster (no need to even restart)
- Uses less memory since processes one key-group at a time
- Intra-query fault-tolerance thanks to results on disk
- Intermediate results on disk also facilitate scheduling
- Handles adverse conditions: e.g., stragglers
- **Arguably more scalable... but also needs more nodes!**