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Chapter 2 Hadoop Systems

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Motivation for Hadoop

Hadoop and Distributed Big Data Processing

Hadoop is an open-source framework designed for **storing and processing very large** datasets.

It runs on clusters of ordinary (commodity) servers, making it scalable and costeffective.

Hadoop has **two main components**:

- HDFS (Hadoop Distributed File System): stores data by splitting files into blocks and spreading them across many machines.
- MapReduce: processes the data in parallel, close to where it is stored.

This approach allows massive data analysis that would be too slow or expensive on a single powerful server.

Output

Why We Need Hadoop (The Challenge of Big Data)

Explosion of data volumes

- Social media, mobile devices, IoT, online transactions
- From terabytes → petabytes → exabytes

Traditional systems cannot cope

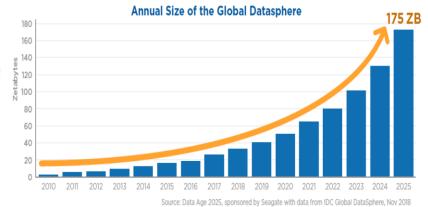
- Limited by single-server storage and CPU power
- Scaling vertically (buying bigger servers) is expensive

Need for distributed solutions

- Store data across many machines
- Process data in parallel for speed and efficiency

Other key requirements

- Fault tolerance: system must survive node failures
- Cost effectiveness: use clusters of commodity hardware



Limitations of Traditional Systems (Single-Machine Bottlenecks)

Storage limitations

- A single machine cannot hold today's massive datasets
- Expanding storage on one server is costly and limited

Processing power limits

- One CPU cannot process petabytes efficiently
- Tasks take hours or days to finish

Scalability problem

• Vertical scaling (buying bigger servers) is expensive and reaches physical limits

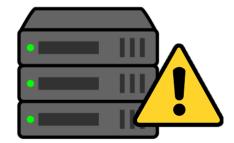
Reliability risk

If the server fails, all data and processing stop

Cost issue

High-end machines and proprietary storage systems are expensive

Storage full

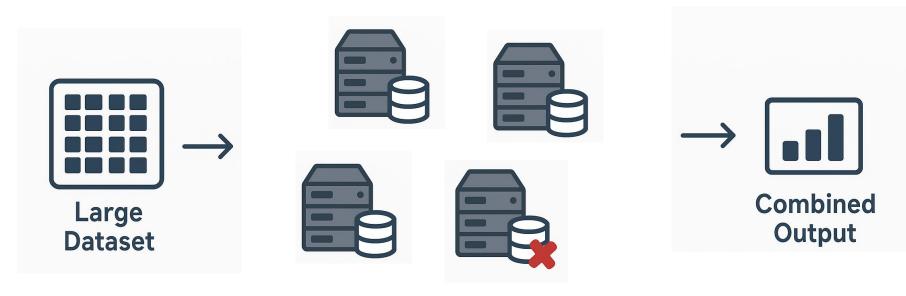


Single point of failure

CPU overloaded

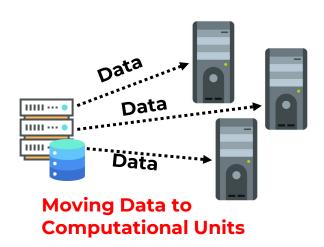
Distributed Systems Approach (Many Machines Working Together)

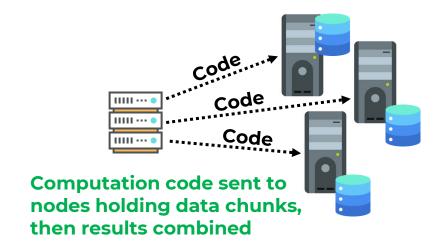
- Divide the problem: Break huge datasets into smaller, manageable chunks
- **Distributed storage:** Keep data pieces on different machines (nodes)
- Parallel processing: Each node processes its own data chunk at the same time
- Horizontal scalability: Add more machines to increase storage and speed
- Fault tolerance: Replicate data so the system continues working if a node fails
- Cost efficiency: Use clusters of inexpensive, commodity hardware



The Locality Principle - Move Computation to Data

- Traditional approach: Move data to the program → requires huge data transfers over the network
- **Problem:** Moving terabytes or petabytes across the network is slow and expensive
- Locality principle: Send the program (code) to the nodes where the data is stored
- **Efficiency**: Each node processes its own local data → far less network traffic
- Result: Faster processing and better scalability for massive datasets





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Hadoop Ecosystem The Big Picture

Introducing Hadoop – Origins and Evolution

- **Origins:** Created at **Yahoo! in 2006**, inspired by Google's GFS (2003) and MapReduce (2004)
- Purpose: Handle web-scale data (storing & processing billions of web pages)
- Open source: Became an Apache project in 2008 → widely adopted by industry
- Core idea: Use clusters of commodity servers to manage massive data
- **Evolution:** From a simple MapReduce engine → full **big-data ecosystem** with many tools (Hive, Pig, HBase, Spark...)



Hadoop Ecosystem – Core & Supporting Components

Core components:

- HDFS: Distributed storage for huge datasets
- YARN / MapReduce: Resource management and parallel processing

Data access & processing tools:

- Hive: SQL-like interface for querying data in HDFS
- Pig: High-level scripting for data transformations

NoSQL storage:

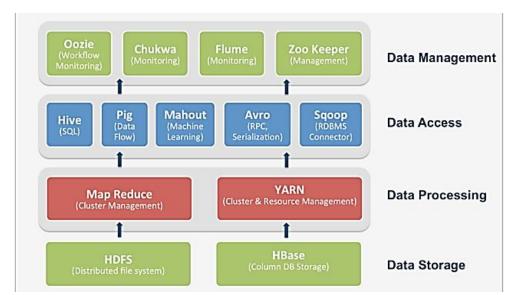
HBase: Column-oriented distributed database

Coordination & scheduling:

- Zookeeper: Synchronization and cluster coordination
- Oozie: Workflow scheduling for jobs

Data ingestion:

- **Sqoop:** Transfers data between Hadoop and RDBMS
- Flume: Collects and streams log or event data



03 MapReduce Paradigm

MapReduce – Core Processing Paradigm

Key idea: Split large data processing into **Map** and **Reduce** phases

Map phase: Each node processes its local data and emits (key, value) pairs Shuffle & sort: Intermediate results are grouped by key across the cluster

Reduce phase: Each reducer aggregates values for its assigned key and produces final

results

Designed for: Large-scale **batch processing**, parallel, and fault-tolerant

Hadoop Map - Reduce flow



MapReduce Workflow – From Input to Output



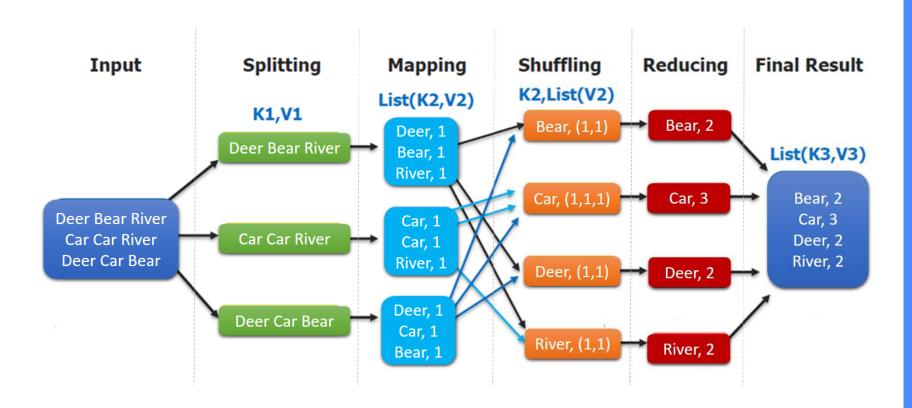
Map Phase Shuffle & Sort

Reduce Phase

Output

- Hadoop splits the input file into blocks stored on different data nodes.
- Each node applies the mapper function to its local split and emits (key, value) pairs.
- Intermediate pairs are grouped by key and sent to the correct reducer.
- Reducers process each key's list of values to produce final aggregated results.
- Final data is written back into HDFS.

Conceptual Example - Word Count



Strengths of MapReduce

Scalability:	Handles petabytes of data across thousands of commodity machines	
Fault Tolerance:	If a node fails, tasks are re-run on another node automatically.	
Data Locality:	Processing happens where the data is stored, reducing network bottlenecks.	
Simplified Programming:	Developers only write Map and Reduce functions; Hadoop handles distribution.	
Cost-Effective:	Runs on commodity hardware instead of expensive high-end servers.	
Proven for Batch Processing:	Ideal for large-scale, offline analytics (e.g., log analysis, web indexing).	

Limitations of MapReduce

High Latency	Each job reads from disk, processes, and writes back → slow for iterative or interactive tasks.	
Batch-Only Model	Designed for offline, one-pass batch processing , not for real- time or streaming analytics.	
Complex Programming	Requires low-level Java code; even simple jobs can be verbose and hard to maintain.	
Inefficient for Small		
Jobs	Startup overhead makes it poor for short, frequent tasks.	
Jobs Not Memory- Efficient:	Startup overhead makes it poor for short, frequent tasks . Intermediate data is persisted to disk between stages, wasting time and I/O.	

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Hadoop Distributed File System (HDFS)

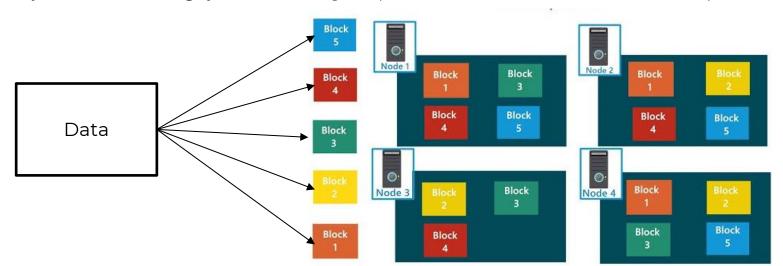
HDFS – Distributed Storage for Big Data

Challenges of Big Data

- **Huge files:** Cannot fit on one machine's disk
- **Need for reliability:** Single machine failure can lose data
- Scalability issue: Hard to expand storage on a single server

HDFS Solution

- **Distributed storage:** Store data across many machines in a cluster
- **Blocks:** Split files into fixed-size blocks (e.g., 128 MB)
- **Replication:** Keep multiple copies (default = 3) for fault-tolerance
- Optimized for throughput: Best for large sequential reads/writes, not small random updates



HDFS Architecture – NameNode & DataNodes

NameNode (Master)

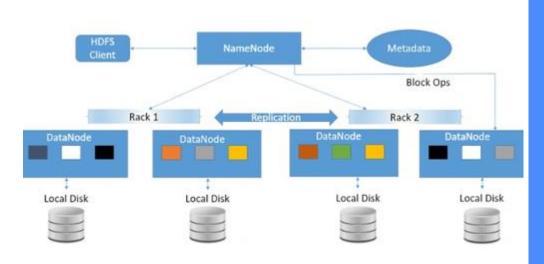
- Central metadata manager
- Stores file system namespace (file names, directories)
- Tracks which DataNodes hold which blocks
- Directs clients to the appropriate DataNodes for read/write

DataNodes (Workers)

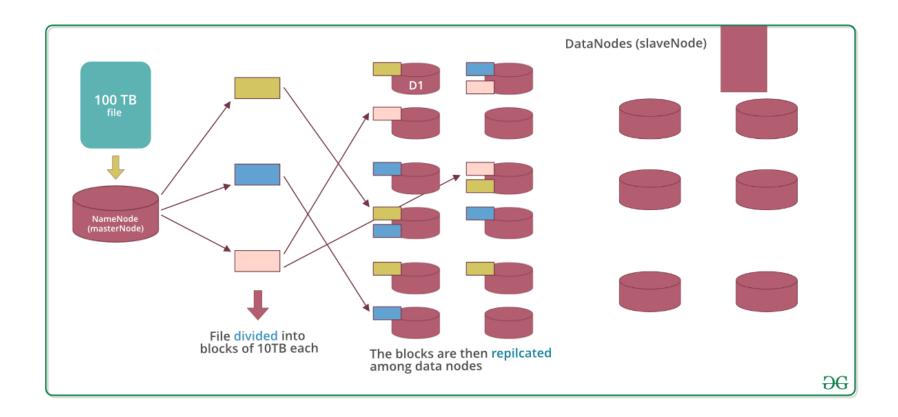
- Store the actual data blocks
- Perform read/write operations on instruction from NameNode
- Periodically send heartbeat & block reports to NameNode

Replication

- Each block is stored on multiple DataNodes (default: 3 copies)
- Provides fault tolerance if one node fails, data is still available



HDFS Architecture – Data storage



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Hadoop Architecture Evolution

Hadoop Cluster Architecture – Nodes and Roles

Cluster Basics

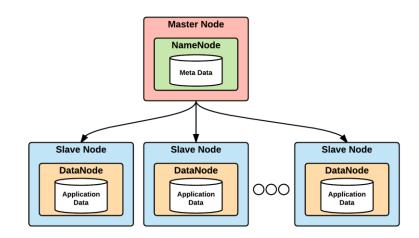
- A cluster = many machines working as one system
- Designed for horizontal scalability → add more nodes to increase capacity

Master Nodes:

- NameNode → manages HDFS metadata (file names, block locations)
- ResourceManager / JobTracker → manages computation and resource allocation

Worker Nodes:

- DataNode → stores actual data blocks
- TaskTracker / NodeManager → executes tasks (MapReduce or Spark jobs)



Hadoop v1 – MapReduce-Centric Architecture

Core Components

JobTracker (Master)

- Schedules and monitors all MapReduce jobs
- Assigns tasks to workers and tracks their progress

TaskTrackers (Workers)

- Run map and reduce tasks on each node
- Report status and progress back to JobTracker

Limitations of Hadoop v1

- Single JobTracker → bottleneck & single point of failure
- **Tightly coupled with MapReduce** → cannot easily run other processing frameworks
- Limited scalability for very large clusters (typically a few thousand nodes)

Hadoop v2 – YARN (Yet Another Resource Negotiator)

Key Idea

- Separates resource management from computation
- Allows many processing frameworks to share the cluster

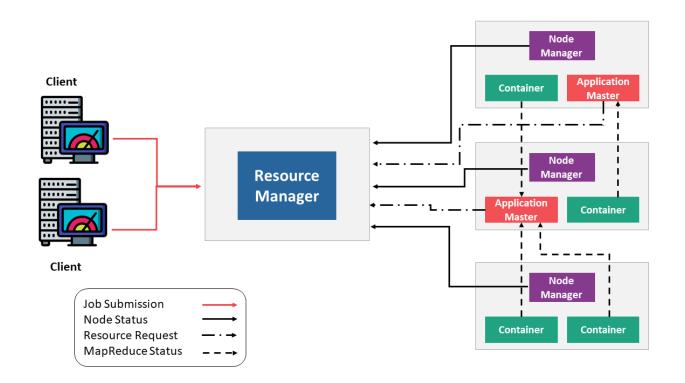
Components:

- 1. ResourceManager (Master)
- Allocates cluster resources to applications
- 2. NodeManagers (Workers)
- Manage resources on each node
- Launch containers to run tasks.
- 3. ApplicationMaster (per job)
- Manages the execution of its own application
- Requests resources from the ResourceManager

Benefits

- Runs **multiple frameworks** (MapReduce, Spark, Tez, etc.) on the same cluster
- Provides better scalability and higher cluster utilization
- Offers improved fault tolerance by avoiding a single JobTracker bottleneck

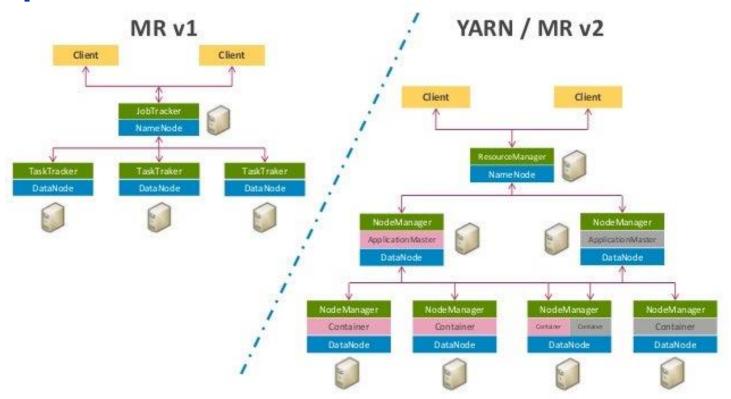
Hadoop - YARN



Hadoop MRv1 vs. YARN - Key Differences

Feature	Hadoop MRv1	Hadoop v2 – YARN
Resource Manager	JobTracker manages both resource allocation and job scheduling	ResourceManager handles resources; ApplicationMaster manages each job
Application Support	Supports only MapReduce	Supports multiple frameworks (MapReduce, Spark, Tez, etc.)
Scalability	Limited due to single JobTracker bottleneck	Scales to much larger clusters (10,000+ nodes)
Fault Tolerance	Single point of failure (JobTracker)	More resilient: if an ApplicationMaster fails, others continue
Flexibility	Tightly coupled with MapReduce	Flexible: can run batch, interactive, streaming workloads

MapReduce 1 vs YARN



YARN: Yet Another Resource Negotiator

MR: MapReduce

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Hadoop Programming Basics

Anatomy of a Hadoop Job – Driver, Mapper, Reducer

Driver Program

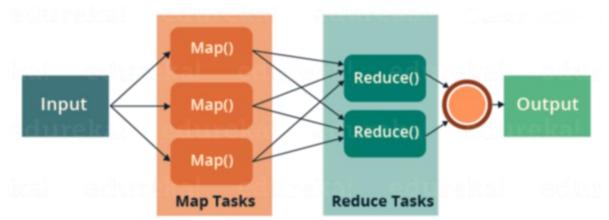
- Configures the **job** (input/output paths, mapper/reducer classes, settings)
- Submits the job to the cluster via YARN
- Monitors progress until completion

Mapper

- Processes input data record by record
- Transforms data and emits intermediate (key, value) pairs
- Example: (word → 1) in a word count job

Reducer

- Receives all intermediate values grouped by key
- Aggregates or combines results
- Produces final output (e.g., total count per word)



Hadoop Job Execution Overview

1. Job Submission

- •User runs a program (Driver) that defines **Mapper**, **Reducer**, input/output paths
- •The **Driver** submits the job to the **YARN ResourceManager**

2. Job Initialization

- •ResourceManager creates an ApplicationMaster for the job
- The ApplicationMaster requests containers on NodeManagers

3. Task Execution

- Containers launch Map tasks and Reduce tasks on cluster nodes
- Map outputs are shuffled and sorted, then sent to reducers

4. Job Completion

- •Reducers produce the **final output** written back to **HDFS**
- •The **Driver** receives job completion status and logs results

Map Function Logic

Mapper processes each line independently.

```
import sys

for line in sys.stdin:
   for word in line.strip().split():
      print(f"{word}\t1")
```

Reduce Function Logic

```
import sys
current word = None
current_count = 0
for line in sys.stdin:
  word, count = line.strip().split("\t")
  count = int(count)
  if current word == word:
    current count += count
  else:
    if current word:
       print(f"{current_word}\t{current_count}")
    current word = word
    current_count = count
if current_word:
  print(f"{current_word}\t{current_count}")
```

The Driver Class

Driver configures job → submits to YARN → monitors progress.

```
hadoop jar /usr/lib/hadoop-mapreduce/hadoop-streaming.jar \
-input /data/input \
-output /data/output \
-mapper mapper.py \
-reducer reducer.py \
-file mapper.py \
-file reducer.py
```

Hadoop Job Execution in the Cluster

What Happens When You Run a Job

- 1. Driver submits the job to the YARN ResourceManager
- 2. ApplicationMaster starts and requests resources from the cluster
- **3. Map tasks** are launched on **DataNodes** holding the input blocks (data locality)
- 4. Shuffle & Sort phase moves intermediate data to reducers
- 5. Reduce tasks run, results written to HDFS output directory
- 6. ApplicationMaster reports job completion to the Driver

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Hadoop in Today's Big Data World

Hadoop's Legacy and Current Role

- Hadoop revolutionized big data storage and processing in the 2010s.
- Today, **HDFS** is still used for large-scale, distributed storage.
- YARN continues to manage resources in many enterprise clusters.
- MapReduce has declined, replaced by Apache Spark, Flink, and Presto.
- Hadoop now serves as a **data lake foundation**, as many systems still rely on it underneath.

Hadoop (2005)

Ecosystem Expansion (2010)

Spark & Streaming (2015)

Cloud & Hybrid Data Lakes (Now)

Hadoop vs. Modern Data Architectures

Feature	Traditional Hadoop Cluster	Modern Cloud/Hybrid Systems
Deployment	On-premise servers	Cloud-based (AWS EMR, Dataproc, HDInsight)
Storage	HDFS	Cloud storage (S3, GCS, ADLS)
Compute Engine	MapReduce, Spark-on-YARN	Serverless Spark, Flink, Beam
Scalability	Hardware scaling	Elastic scaling
Maintenance	Manual cluster management	Managed services

Hadoop in Real-World Use Today

Still used by:

- Enterprises managing petabytes of data on-premise (banks, telecom, government).
- Cloud-managed Hadoop clusters (AWS EMR, Azure HDInsight, Google Dataproc).
- Hybrid architectures mixing HDFS + cloud object storage.

Acts as backend storage for:

Spark, Hive, Presto, Impala, Kafka pipelines.

Hadoop remains strong where data locality and cost control matter







The Future of Hadoop

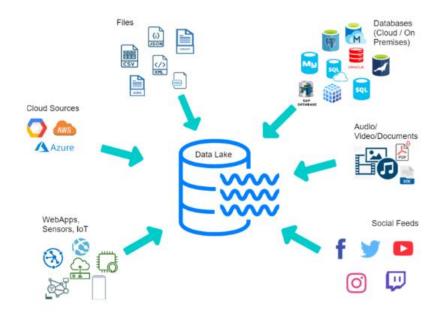
Shift from batch → real-time analytics.

Hadoop evolving toward:

- Integration with cloud-native tools (Kubernetes, object storage).
- Use as part of data lakehouse architectures (HDFS + Delta Lake / Iceberg).

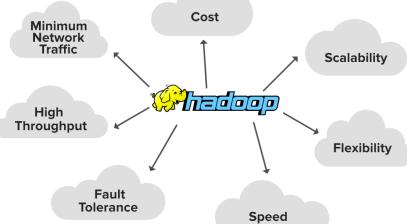
Open-source community still active (Apache Hadoop 3.x+).

Future: Hadoop as a **stable storage + resource layer**, not the "whole stack."



Key Takeaways

- Hadoop laid the foundation for distributed data processing.
- HDFS and YARN remain critical in many infrastructures.
- The ecosystem evolved: Spark, Flink, and cloud platforms now lead in compute.
- Hadoop's principles (scalability, fault tolerance, data locality) live on in all modern systems.
- The future is hybrid and cloud-integrated. but Hadoop's DNA remains everywhere.



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