



# See Spot Run: Using Spot Instances for MapReduce Workflows

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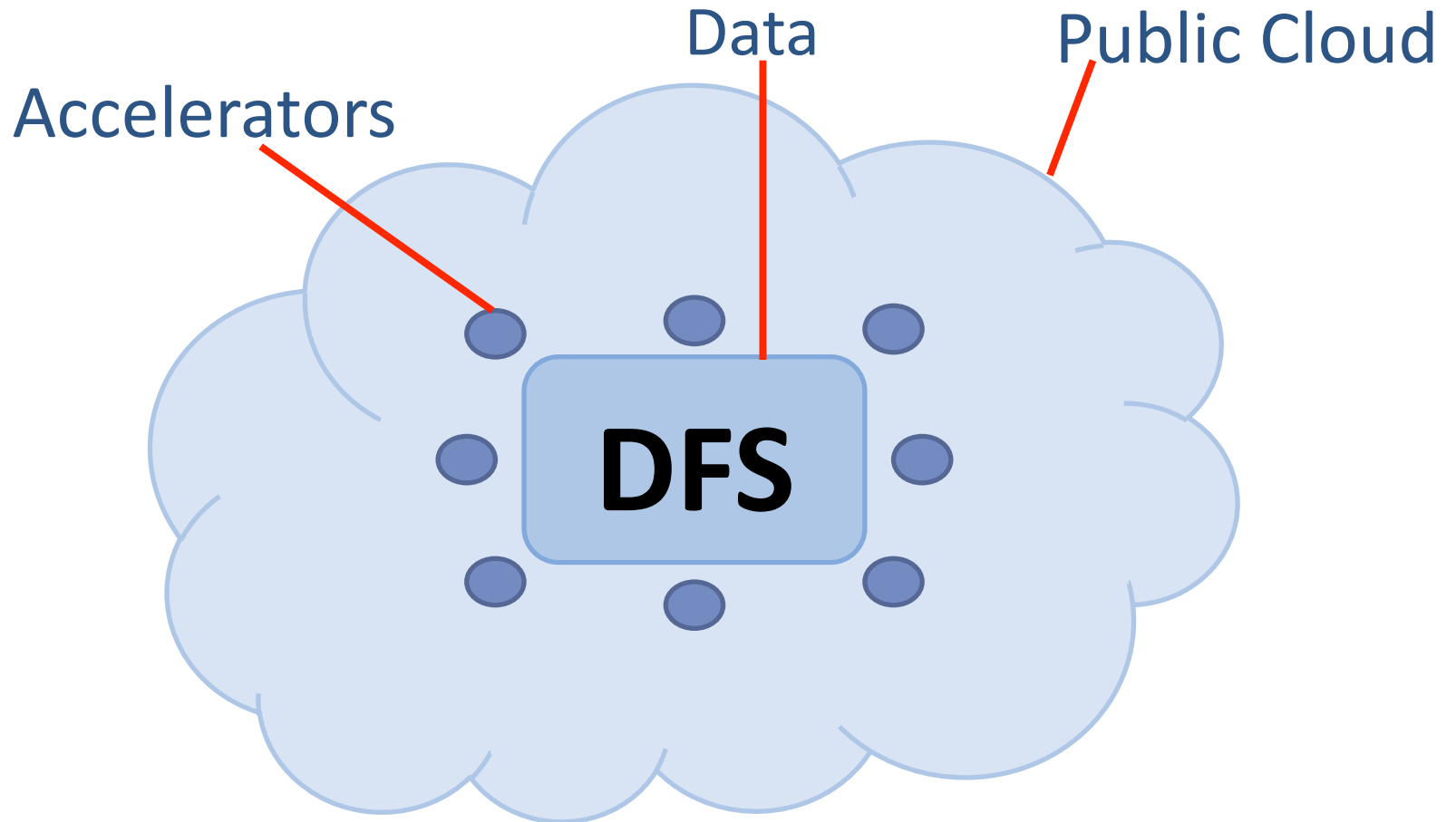




# Overview

- Data Analytic Cloud
- Instance Options
- MapReduce
- Spot Instances
- Evaluation

# Data Analytic Cloud



# Cloud Options

- Different VM Sizes
- Pricing Options
  - On-demand
  - Leased
  - Spot Instances

# VM Resources

Instance Type	EC2 Compute Units	Memory (GB)	Storage (GB)	On-Demand Price (per hr)
m1.small	1	1.7	160	\$0.095
c1.medium	5	1.7	350	\$0.19
m1.large	4	7.5	850	\$0.380
m2.xlarge	6.5	17.1	420	\$0.570
m1.xlarge	8	15	1690	\$0.760
c1.xlarge	20	7	1690	\$0.760
m2.2xlarge	13	34.2	850	\$1.340
m2.4xlarge	26	68.4	1690	\$2.68

# Pricing Options

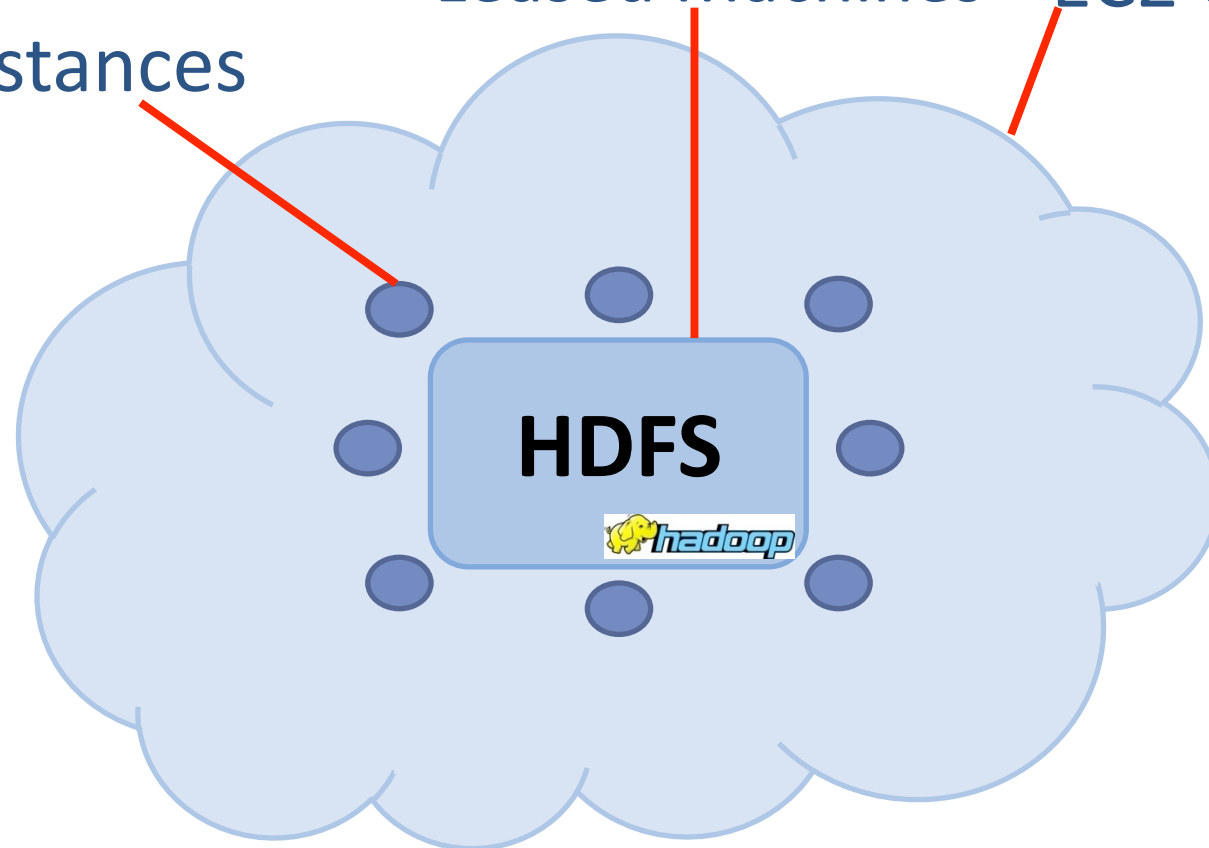
Instance Type	On-Demand Price (per hr)	Reserved-1 Year Price (per hr)	Reserved-3Year Price (per hr)	Spot Instance Average Price (per hr)
m1.small	\$0.095	\$0.056	\$0.043	\$0.0399
c1.medium	\$0.19	\$0.112	\$0.087	\$0.0798
m1.large	\$0.380	\$0.224	\$0.173	\$0.167
m2.xlarge	\$0.570	\$0.321	\$0.246	\$0.240
m1.xlarge	\$0.760	\$0.448	\$0.347	\$0.320
c1.xlarge	\$0.760	\$0.448	\$0.347	\$0.323
m2.2xlarge	\$1.340	\$0.784	\$0.606	\$0.559
m2.4xlarge	\$2.68	\$1.56	\$1.21	\$1.12

# Building Blocks

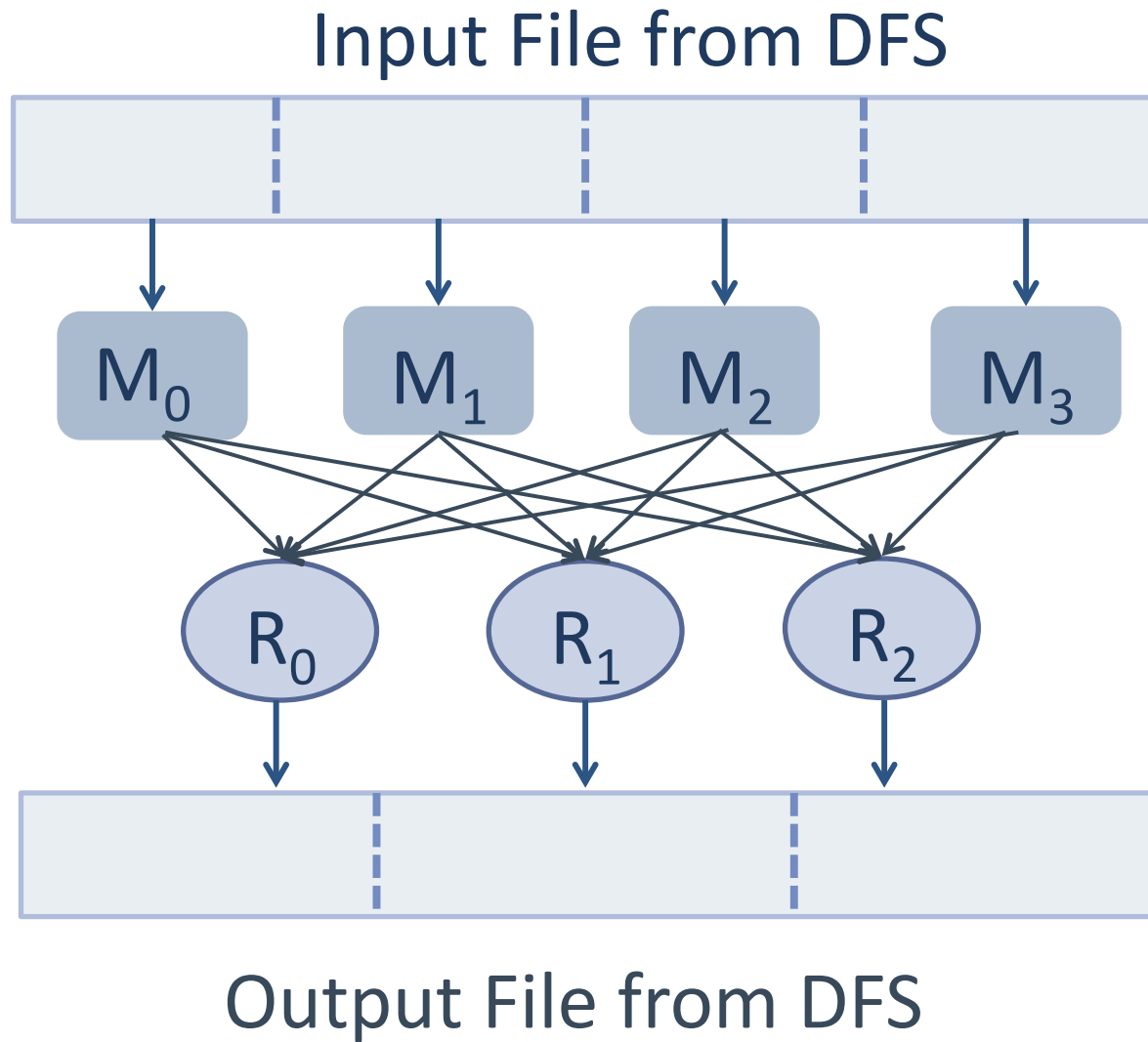
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Instances

Leased Machines

EC2 Cloud

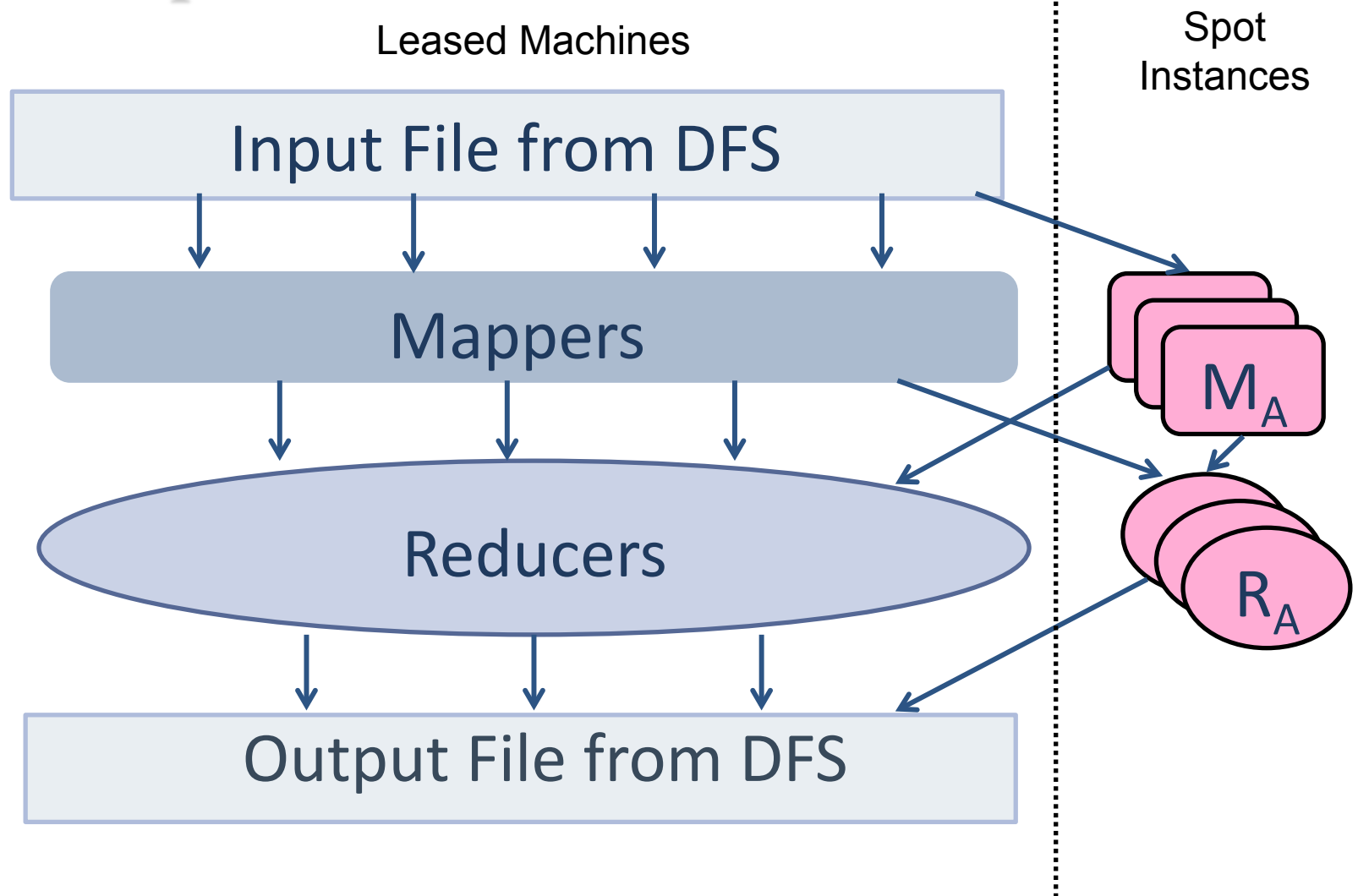


# MapReduce





# MapReduce with Accelerators



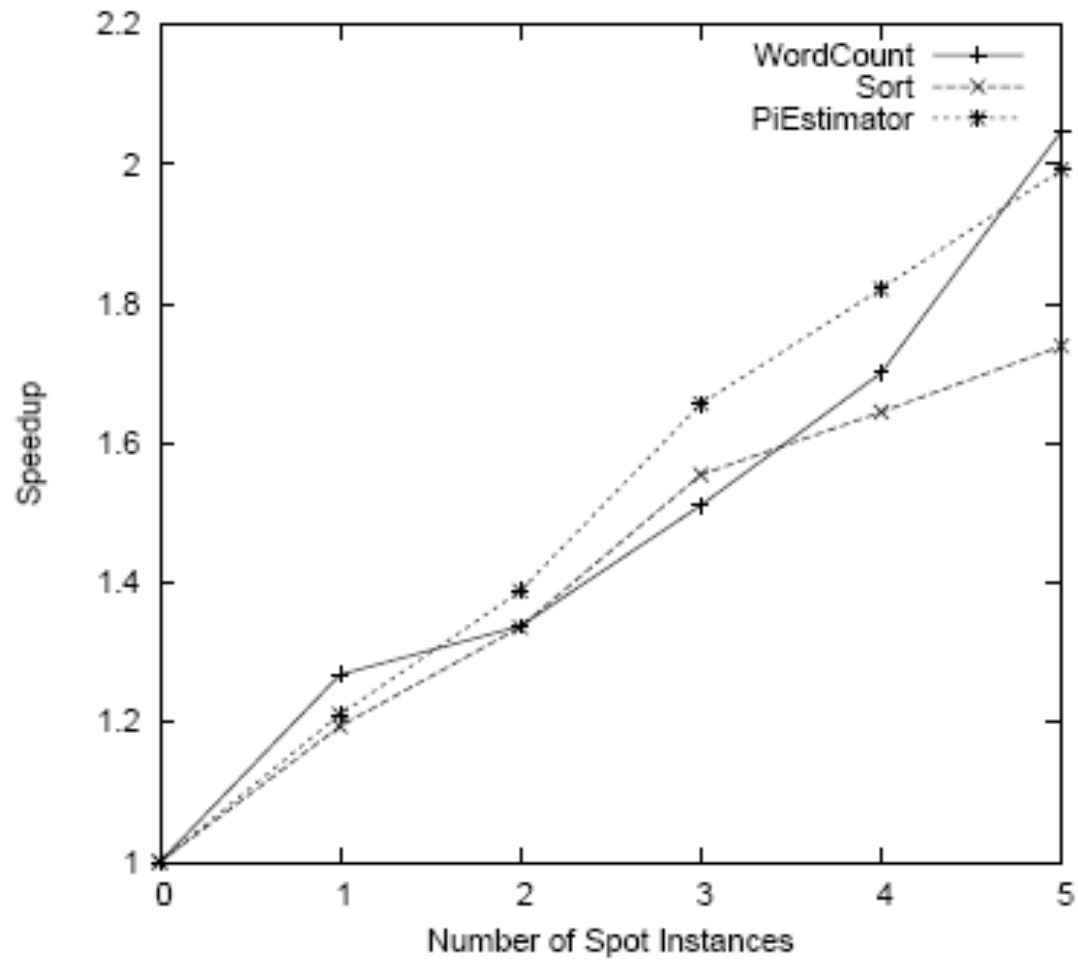
# How Spot Instances Work

- Make a max bid on a spot instance
- Spot instance is available if
  - Max bid  $>$  market price
- Not available if
  - Max bid  $\leq$  market price
- Always pay market price
- Pay for full hour if terminated by user
- Free partial hour if terminated by Amazon

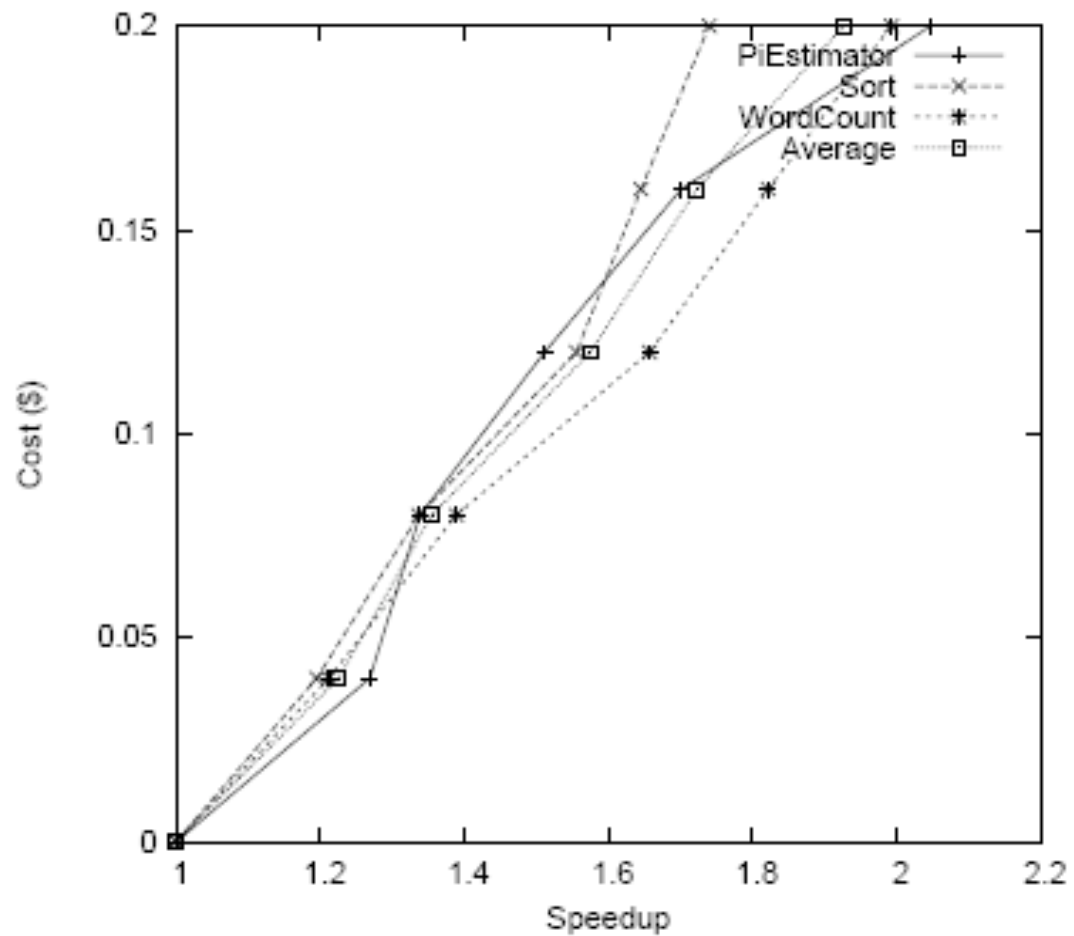
# MapReduce with Spot Instances

- MR paradigm
  - Embarrassingly parallel jobs
  - Fault tolerant
  - Transient workers
  - Workers pull data
- Spot Instances
  - Provide transient and (relatively) inexpensive resources

# Job Speedup



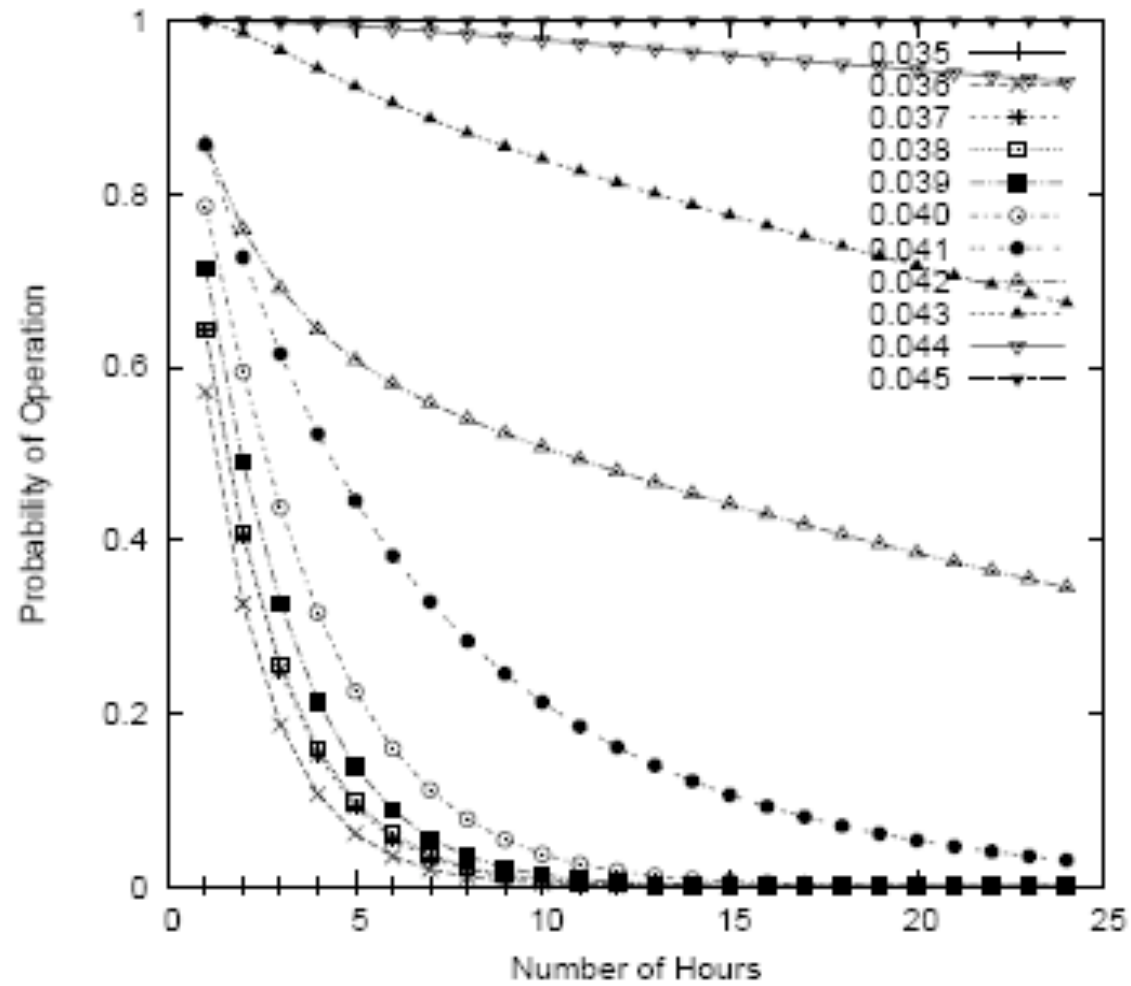
# Speedup Cost



# Downside of Spot Instances

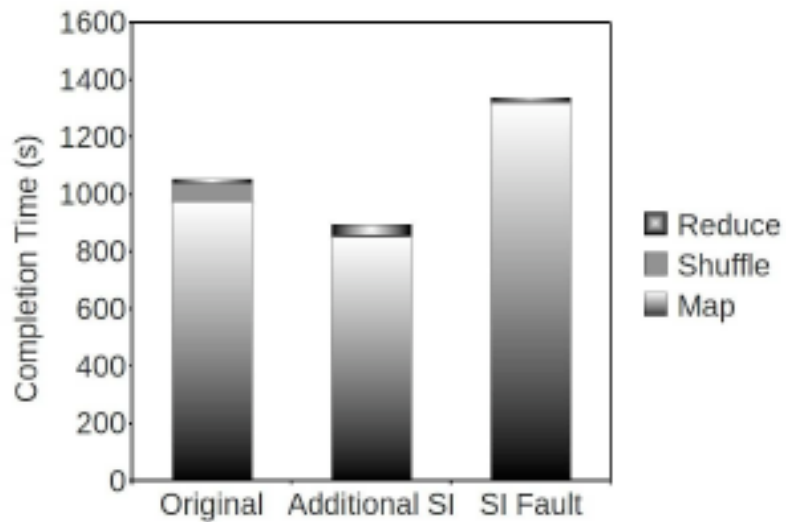
- Termination has a cost
- VM uptime probability is a function of the user's maximum bid price
- Work will have to be redone
  - Operational nodes must pick up the slack
  - This includes map output which has been already consumed by a reducer

# VM Lifetime

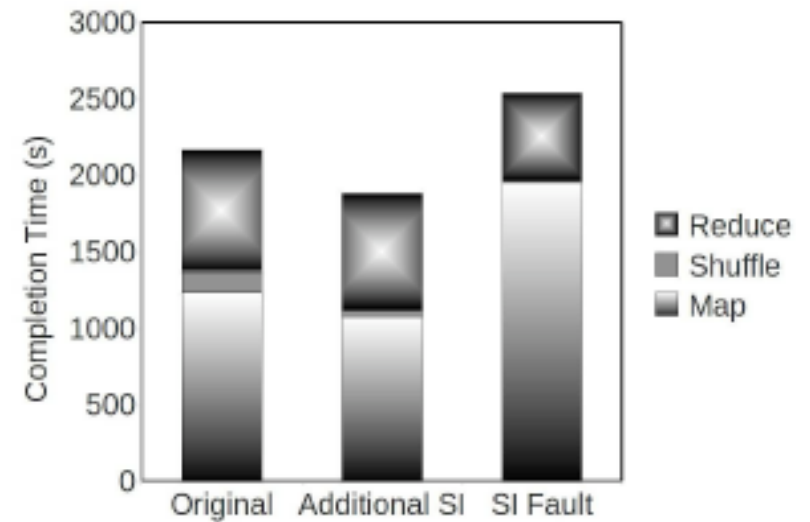


# MapReduce with Faults

Fault injected at half-way point of original job



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# Handling Faults Efficiently

- Have Hadoop track which map output has been consumed by a reducer to avoid re-execution
- Store intermediate data (map output) in HDFS\*
- Lower fault detection time
  - Default: 10 minutes

# Summary

- Spot instances provide inexpensive resources for transient workloads
- MapReduce jobs speedup with more resources
- Spot instance termination hurts a job's time to completion



Questions?