# THE NOSQL MOUVEMENT

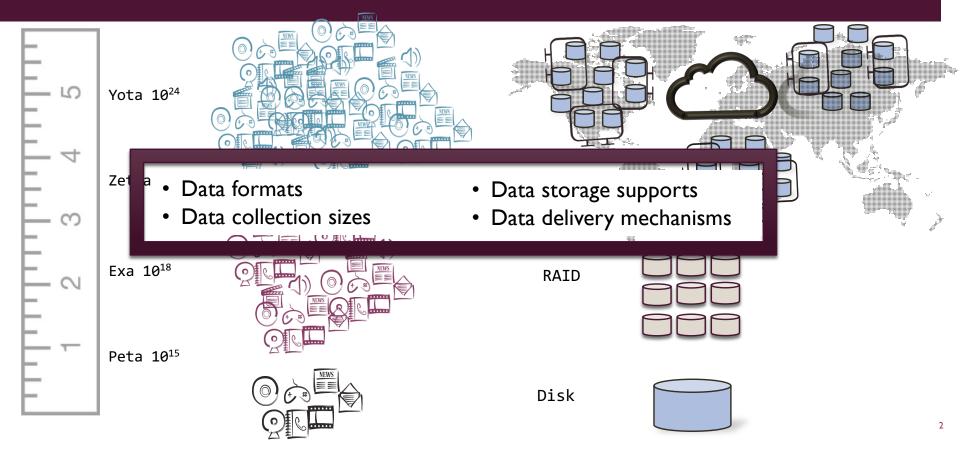
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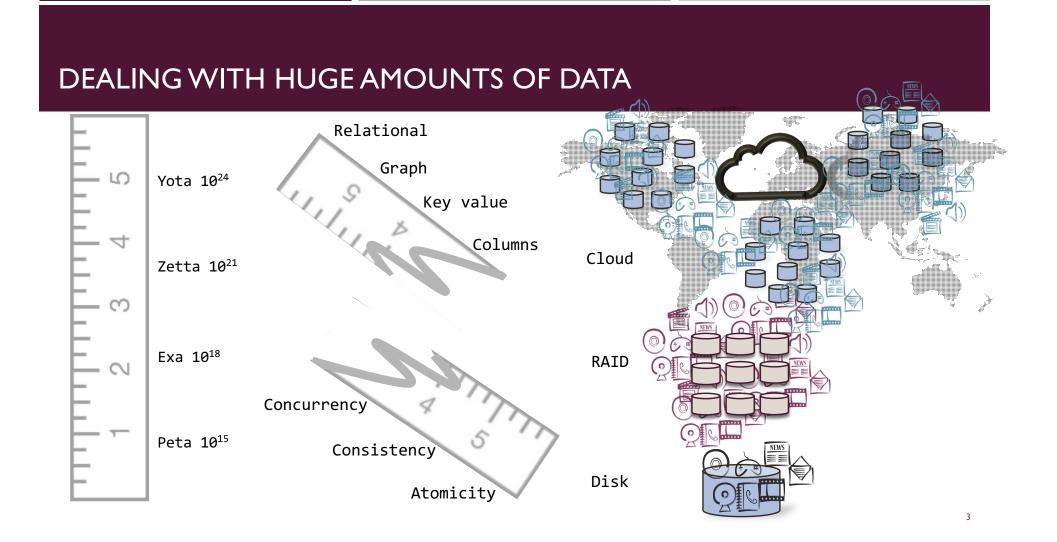
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# STORING AND ACCESSING HUGE AMOUNTS OF DATA





# NOSQL STORES CHARACTERISTICS

There is <u>no standard definition</u> of what NoSQL means. The term began with a workshop organized in 2009, but there is much argument about what databases can truly be called NoSQL.

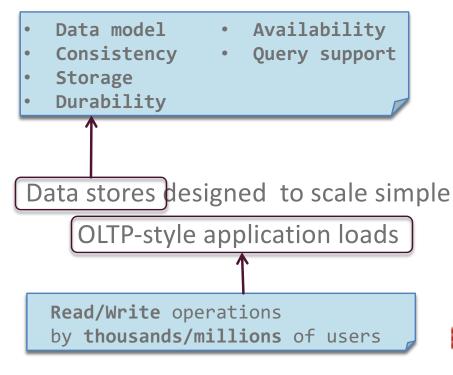
But while there is no formal definition, there are some common characteristics of NoSQL databases

- they don't use the relational data model, and thus don't use the SQL language
- they tend to be designed to run on a cluster
- they tend to be Open Source
- they don't have a fixed schema, allowing you to store any data in any record

- Simple operations
  - Key lookups reads and writes of one record or a small number of records
  - No complex queries or joins
  - Ability to dynamically add new attributes to data records
- Horizontal scalability
  - Distribute data and operations over many servers
  - Replicate and distribute data over many servers
  - No shared memory or disk
- High performance
  - Efficient use of distributed indexes and RAM for data storage
  - Weak consistency model
  - Limited transactions

Next generation databases mostly addressing some of the points: being **non-relational**, **distributed**, **open-source** and **horizontally scalable** [http://nosql-database.org]

# so now we have NoSQL databases



## examples include













We should also remember Google's Bigtable and Amazon's SimpleDB. While these are tied to their host's cloud service, they certainly fit the general operating characteristics

# **DATA MODELS**

- Tuple
  - Row in a relational table, where attributes are pre-defined in a schema, and the values are scalar
- Document
  - Allows values to be nested documents or lists, as well as scalar values.
  - Attributes are not defined in a global schema
- Extensible record
  - Hybrid between tuple and document, where families of attributes are defined in a schema, but new attributes can be added on a per-record basis

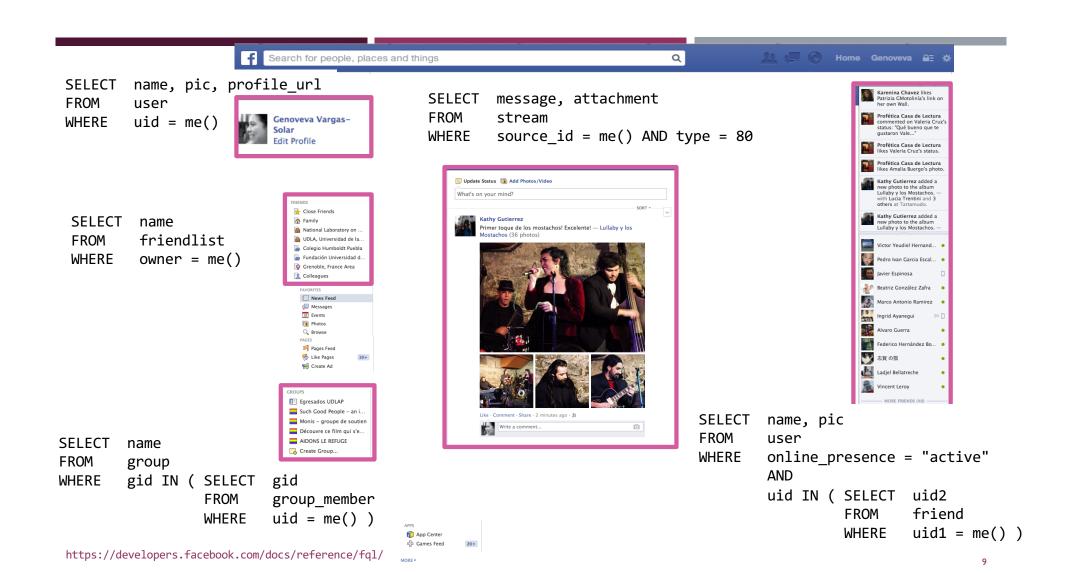
# **DATA STORES**

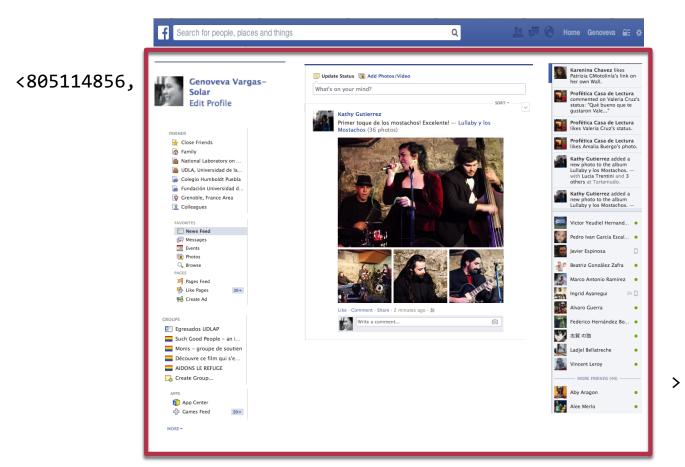
- Key-value
  - Systems that store values and an index to find them, based on a key
- Document
  - Systems that store documents, providing index and simple query mechanisms
- Extensible record
  - Systems that store extensible records that can be partitioned vertically and horizontally across nodes
- Graph
  - Systems that store model data as graphs where nodes can represent content modelled as document or key-value structures and arcs represent a relation between the data modelled by the node
- Relational
  - Systems that store, index and query tuples

# **KEY-VALUE STORES**

- "Simplest data stores" use a data model similar to the memcached distributed in-memory cache
- Single key-value index for all data
- Provide a persistence mechanism
- Replication, versioning, locking, transactions, sorting
- API: inserts, deletes, index lookups
- No secondary indices or keys

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Redis	code.google.com/p/redis
Scalaris	code.google.com/p/scalaris
Tokyo	tokyocabinet.sourceforge.net
Voldemor t	project-voldemort.com
Riak	riak.basho.com
Membrain	schoonerinfotech.com/products
Membase	membase.com





## **DOCUMENT STORES**

- Support more complex data: pointerless objects, i.e., documents
- Secondary indexes, multiple types of documents (objects) per database, nested documents and lists, e.g. B-trees
- Automatic sharding (scale writes), no explicit locks, weaker concurrency (eventual for scaling reads) and atomicity properties
- API: select, delete, getAttributes, putAttributes on documents
- Queries can be distributed in parallel over multiple nodes using a map-reduce mechanism

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SimpleDB	amazon.com/simpledb
Couch DB	couchdb.apache.org
Mongo DB	mongodb.org
Terrastor e	code.google.com/terrastore

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## **EXTENSIBLE RECORD STORES**

- Basic data model is rows and columns
- Basic scalability model is splitting rows and columns over multiple nodes
  - Rows split across nodes through sharding on the primary key
    - Split by range rather than hash function
    - Rows analogous to documents: variable number of attributes, attribute names must be unique
    - Grouped into collections (tables)
    - Queries on ranges of values do not go to every node
- Columns are distributed over multiple nodes using "column groups"
  - Which columns are best stored together
  - Column groups must be pre-defined with the extensible record stores

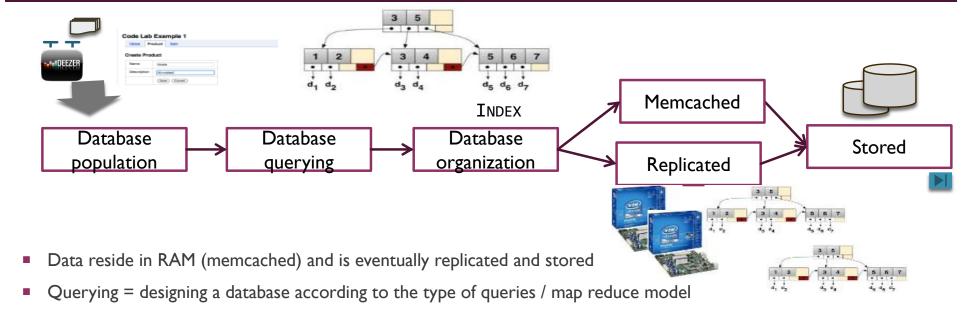
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HBase	hbase.apache.com
HyperTable	hypertable.org
Cassandra	incubator.apache.org/cassandra

# **SCALABLE RELATIONAL SYSTEMS**

- SQL: rich declarative query language
- Databases reinforce referential integrity
- ACID semantics
- Well understood operations:
  - Configuration, Care and feeding, Backups, Tuning, Failure and recovery, Performance characteristics
- Use small-scope operations
  - Challenge: joins that do not scale with sharding
- Use small-scope transactions
  - ACID transactions inefficient with communication and 2PC overhead
- Shared nothing architecture for scalability
- Avoid cross-node operations

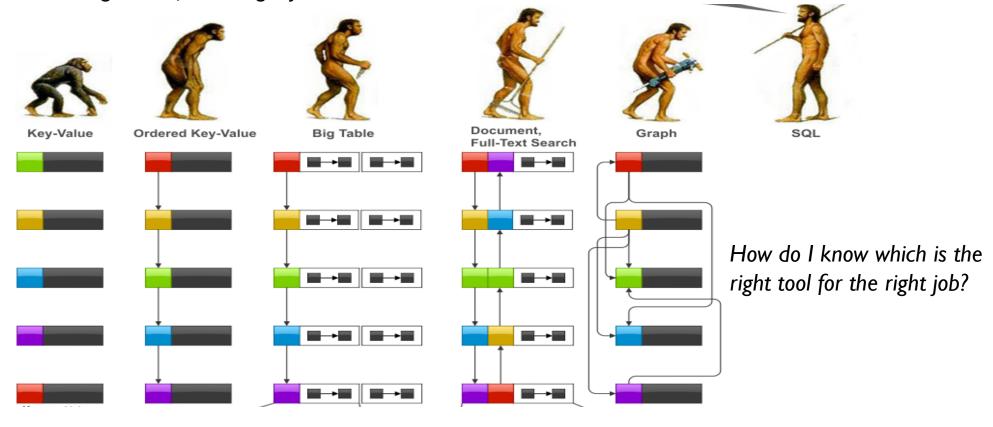
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Volt DB	voltdb.com
Clustrix	clustrix.com
ScaleDB	scaledb.com
Scale Base	scalebase.com
Nimbus DB	nimbusdb.com

# NOSQL DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION PROCESS



- "On demand" data management: the database is virtually organized per view (external schema) on cache and some view are made persistent
- An elastic easy to evolve and explicitly configurable architecture

# Use the right tool for the right job...



(Katsov-2012)



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