



TACHYON

A Reliable Memory-Centric Distributed Storage System

Haoyuan Li, Tachyon Nexus

haoyuan@tachyonnexus.com

September 22, 2015 @ SDC 2015

TACHYON

N E X U S

- Team consists of Tachyon creators, top contributors, people from UC Berkeley, Google, CMU, VMware, Stanford, Facebook, etc.
- \$7.5 million Series A from Andreessen Horowitz
- Committed to Tachyon Open Source

TACHYON N E X U S

**WE'RE
HIRING!**

Outline

- Overview
 - Motivation
 - Tachyon Architecture
 - Using Tachyon
- Open Source
 - Status
 - Production Use Cases
- Roadmap

Outline

- **Overview**
 - Motivation
 - Tachyon Architecture
 - Using Tachyon
- Open Source
 - Status
 - Production Use Cases
- Roadmap

Tachyon: Born in UC Berkeley AMPLab



Cluster manager



Parallel computation
framework



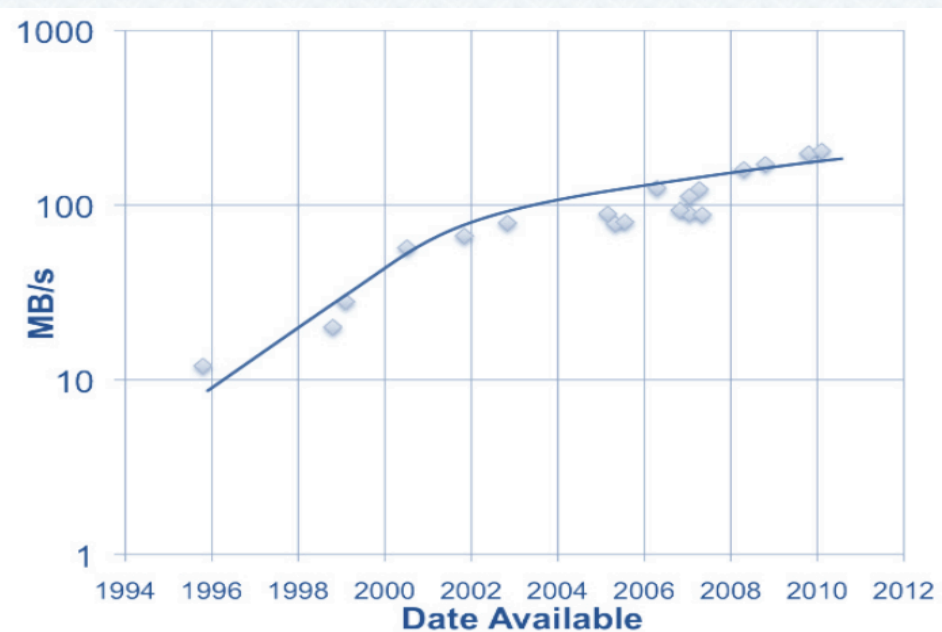
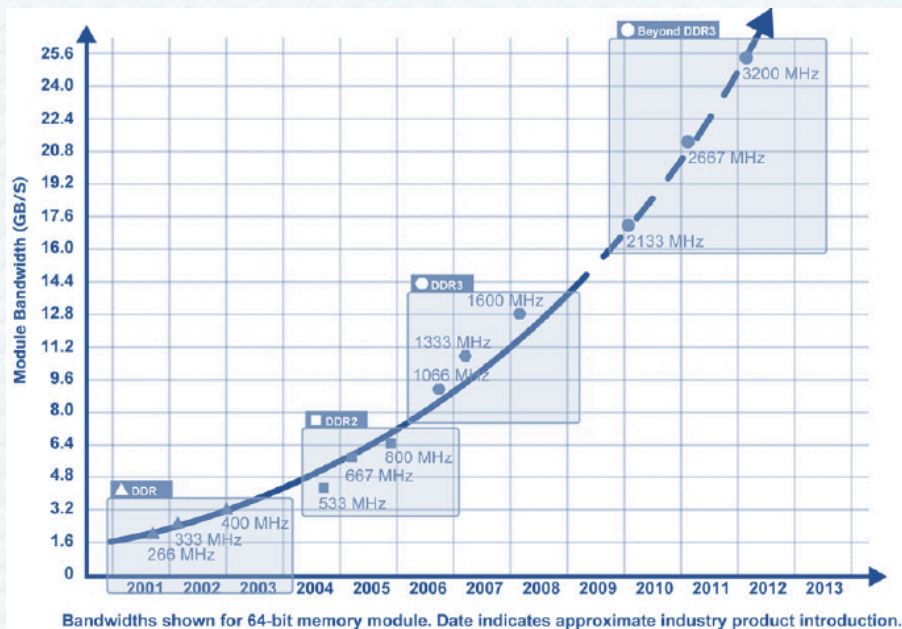
TACHYON

Reliable, distributed memory-centric storage system

Why Tachyon?

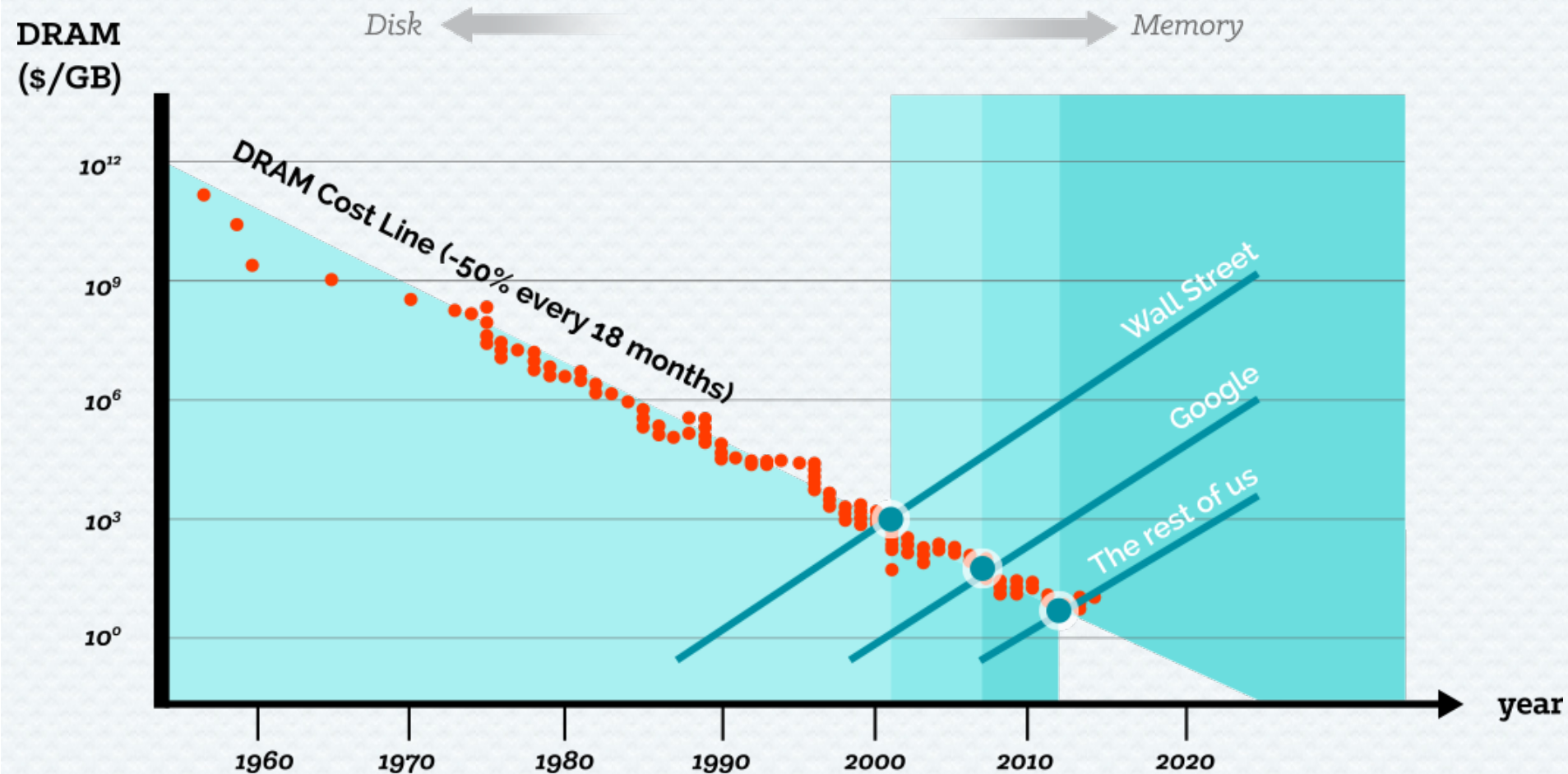
Memory is Fast

- RAM throughput increasing **exponentially**
- Disk throughput increasing **slowly**



Memory-locality key to interactive response times


Memory is Cheaper



source: jcmit.com

Realized by many...



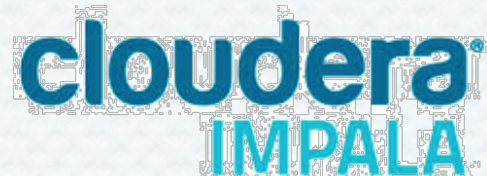
 DBMS2

April 7, 2012

Many kinds of memory-centric data management

I'm frequently asked to generalize in some way about in-memory or memory-centric data management. I can start:

- The desire for [human real-time interactive response](#) naturally leads to

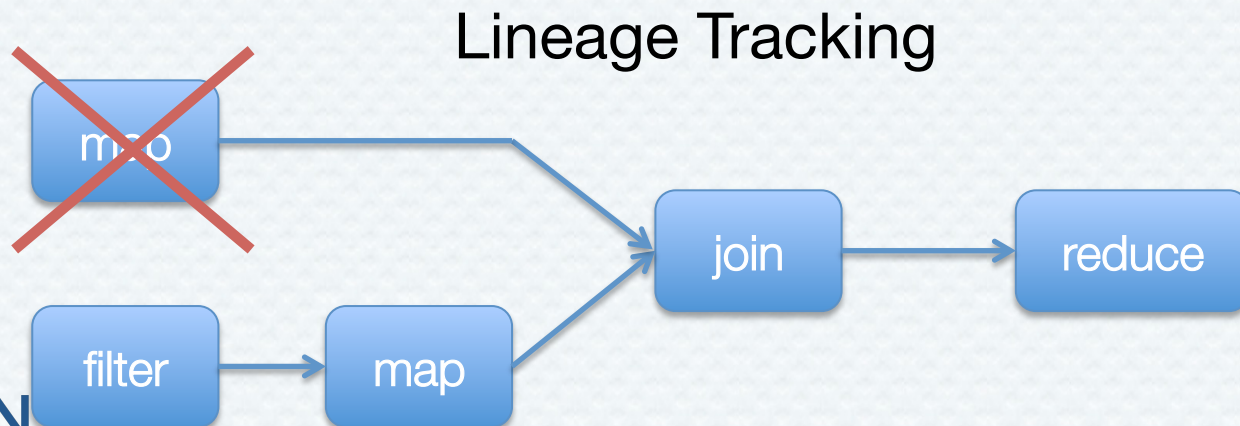


**Is the
Problem Solved?**

Missing a Solution for the Storage Layer

An Example: *Spark*

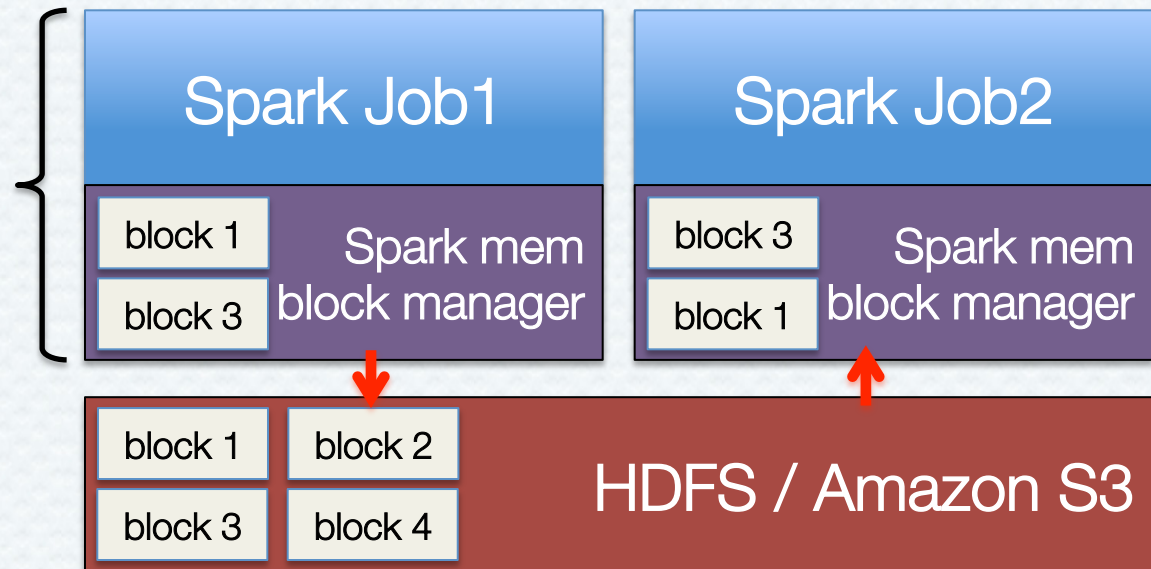
- Fast, in-memory data processing framework
 - Keep **one in-memory** copy inside JVM
 - Track **lineage** of operations used to derive data
 - Upon failure, use lineage to recompute data



Issue 1

*Data Sharing is the bottleneck in analytics pipeline:
Slow writes to disk*

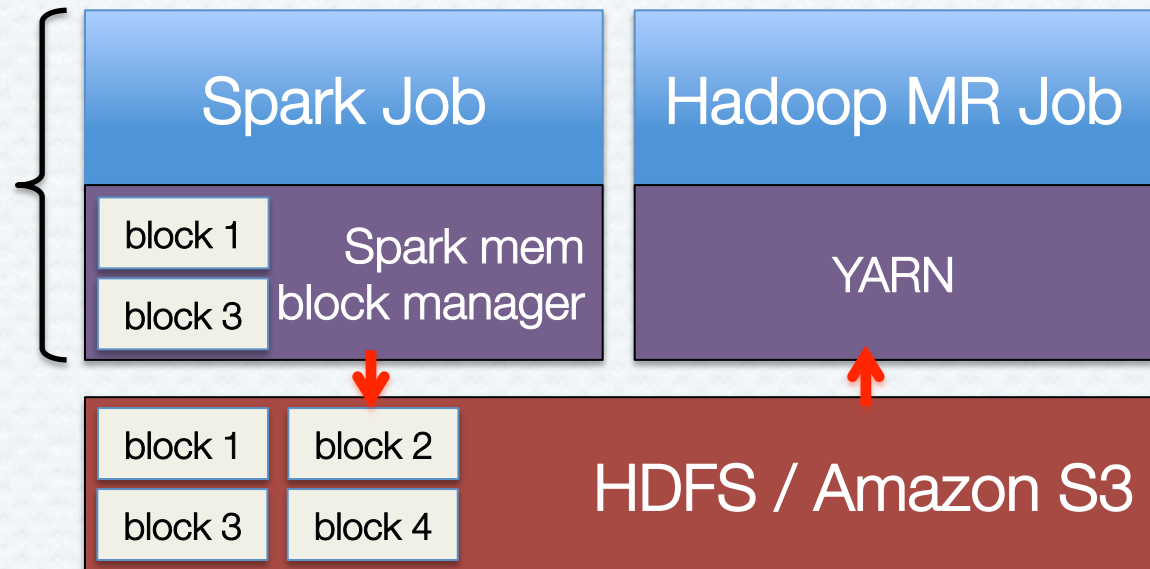
storage engine &
execution engine
same process
(slow writes)



Issue 1

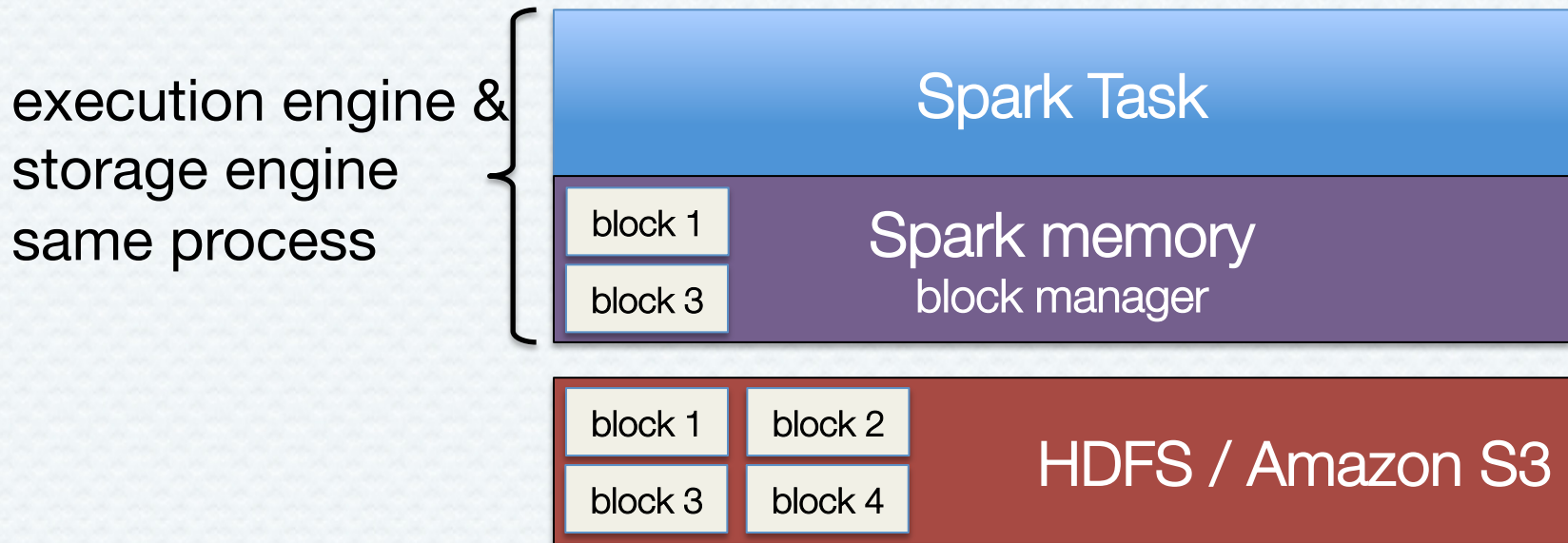
*Data Sharing is the bottleneck in analytics pipeline:
Slow writes to disk*

storage engine &
execution engine
same process
(slow writes)



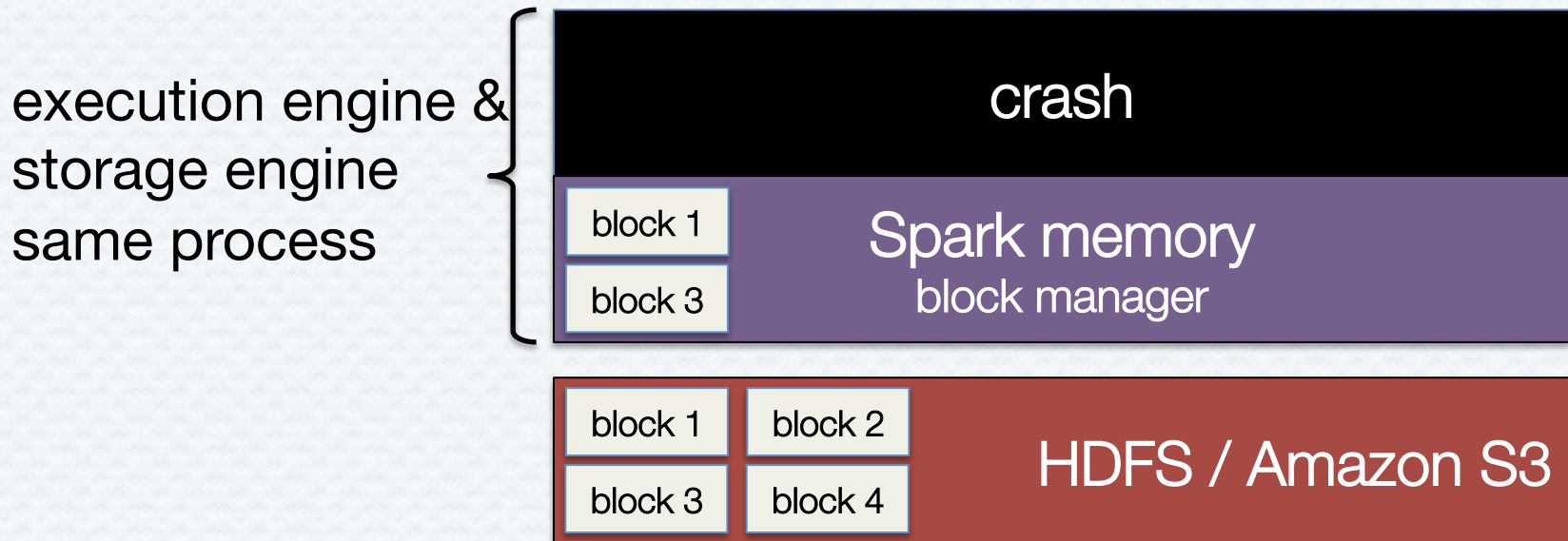
Issue 2

Cache loss when process crashes



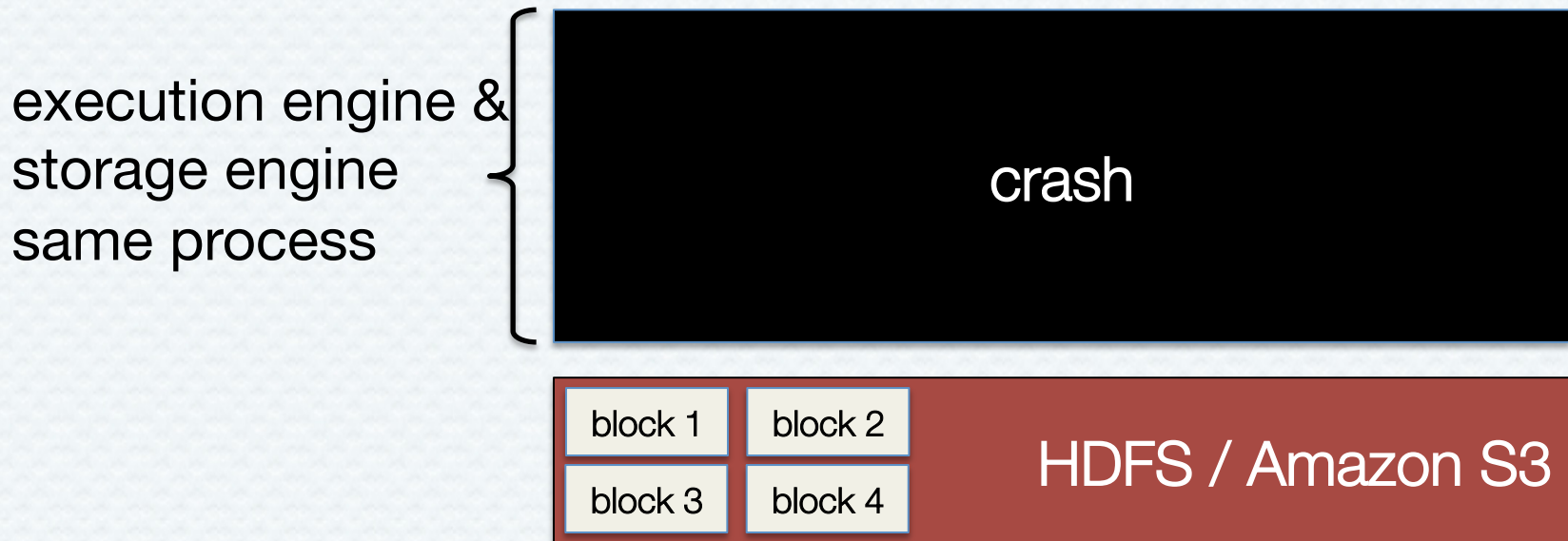
Issue 2

Cache loss when process crashes



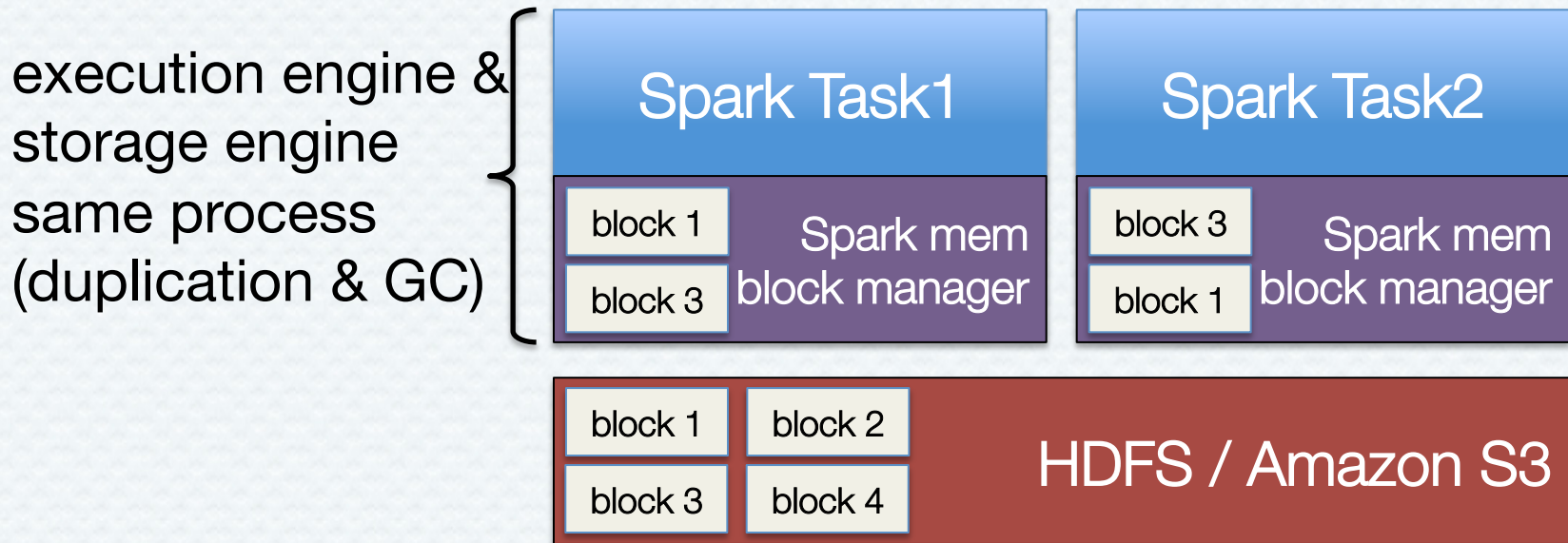
Issue 2

Cache loss when process crashes



Issue 3

In-memory Data Duplication & Java Garbage Collection



Tachyon

Reliable data sharing at
memory-speed within and across
cluster frameworks/jobs

Technical Overview

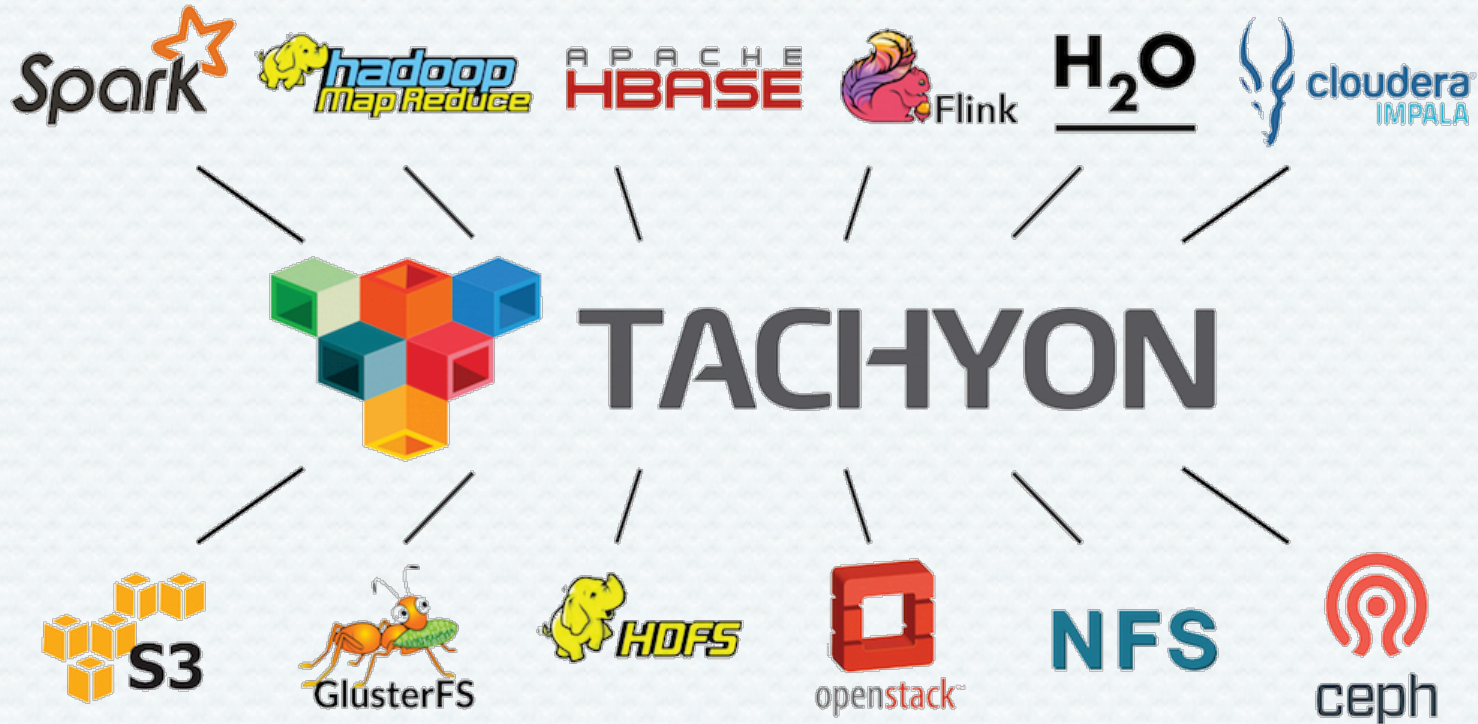
Ideas

- A **memory-centric** storage architecture
- Push **lineage** down to storage layer
- Manage **tiered** storage

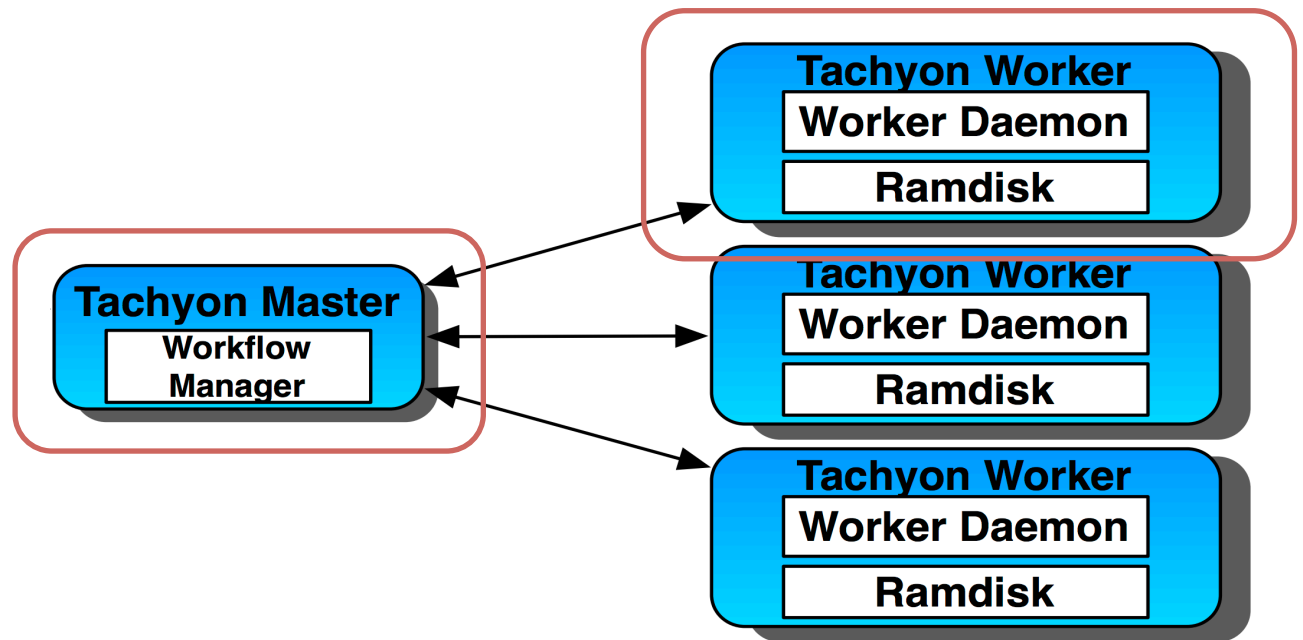
Facts

- One data copy in memory
- Re-computation for fault-tolerance

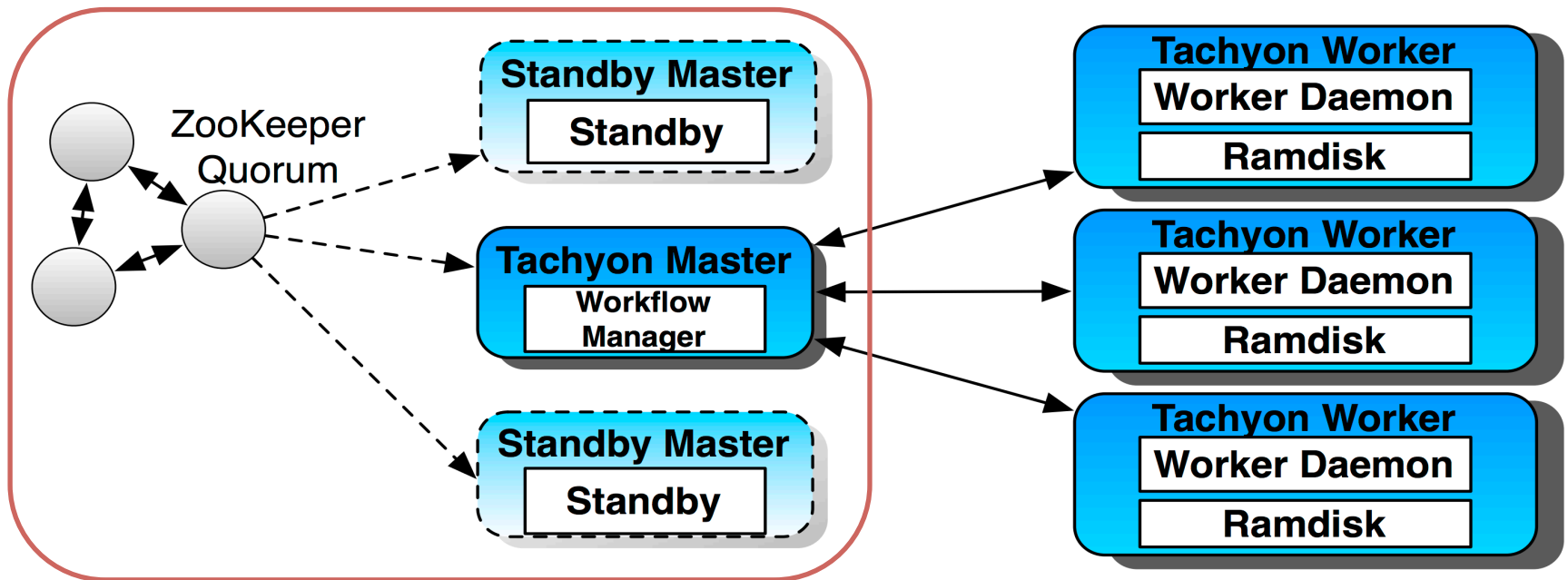
Eco-System



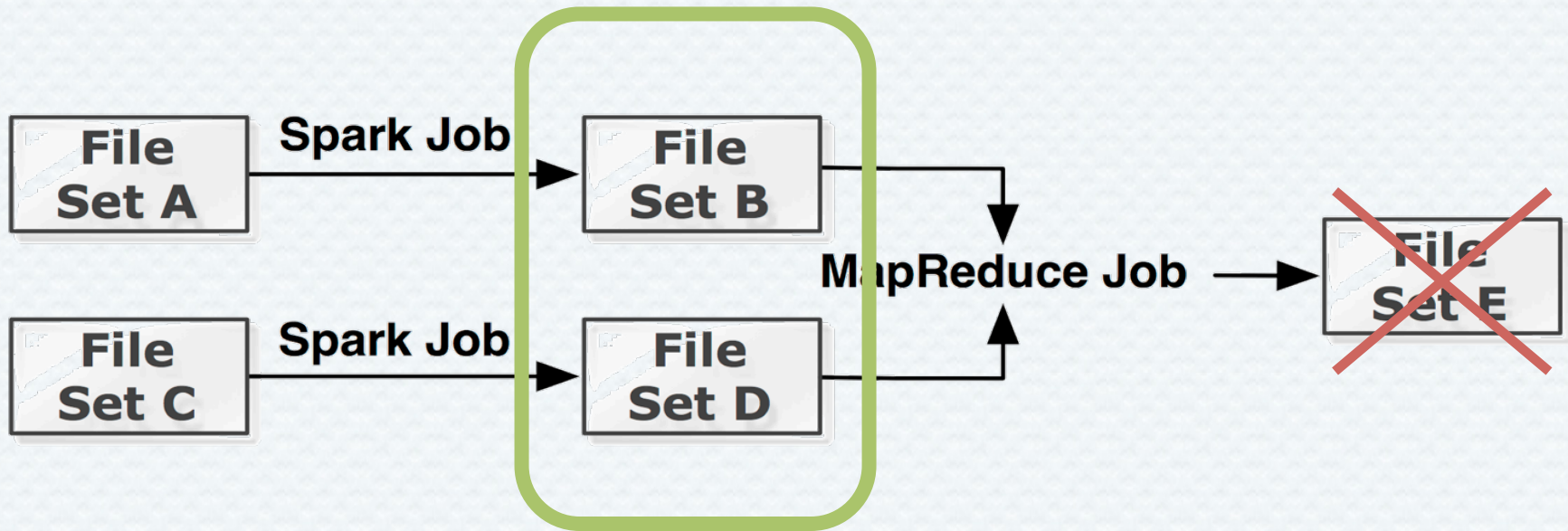
Tachyon Memory-Centric Architecture



Tachyon Memory-Centric Architecture



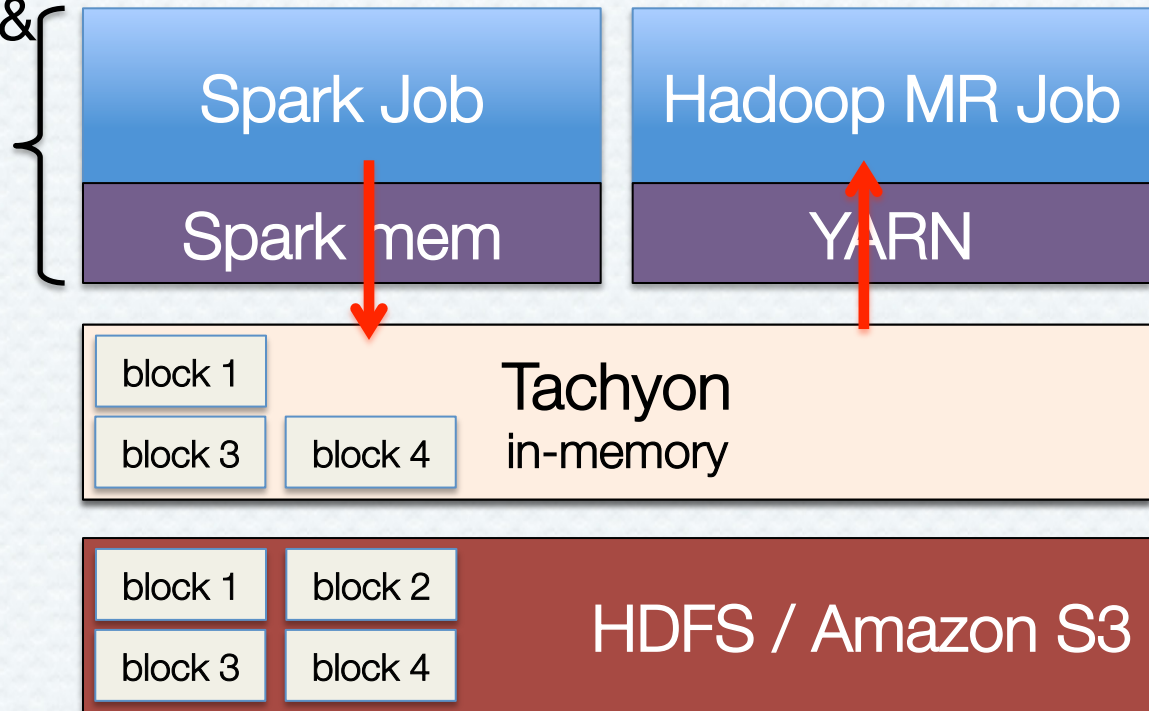
Lineage in Tachyon



Issue 1 revisited

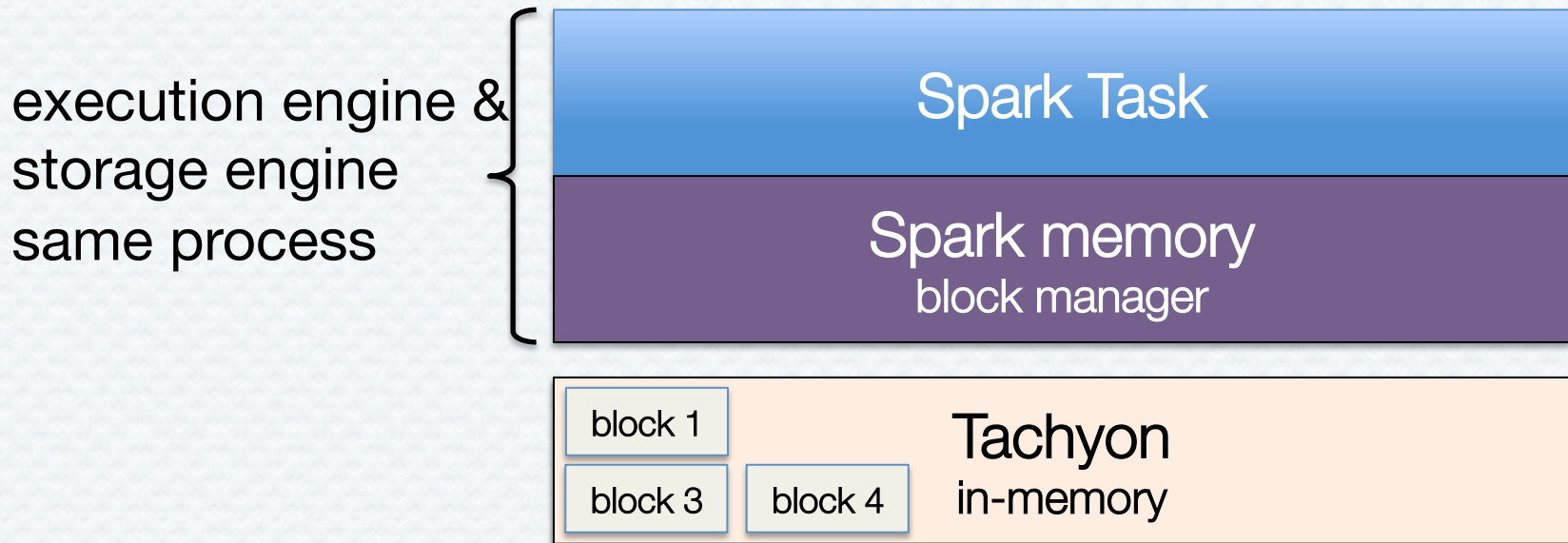
Memory-speed data sharing among jobs in different frameworks

execution engine &
storage engine
same process
(fast writes)



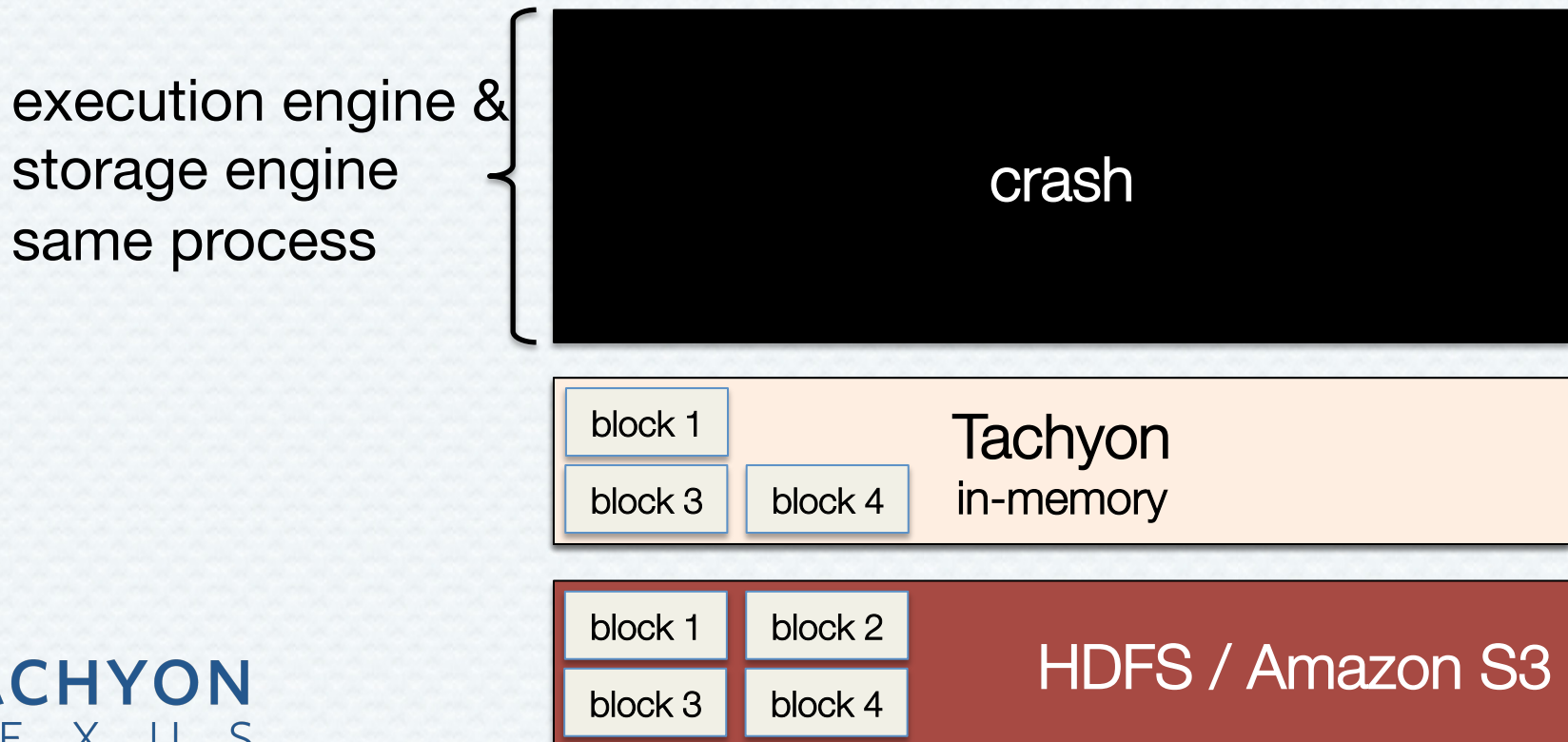
Issue 2 revisited

*Keep in-memory data safe,
even when a job crashes.*



Issue 2 revisited

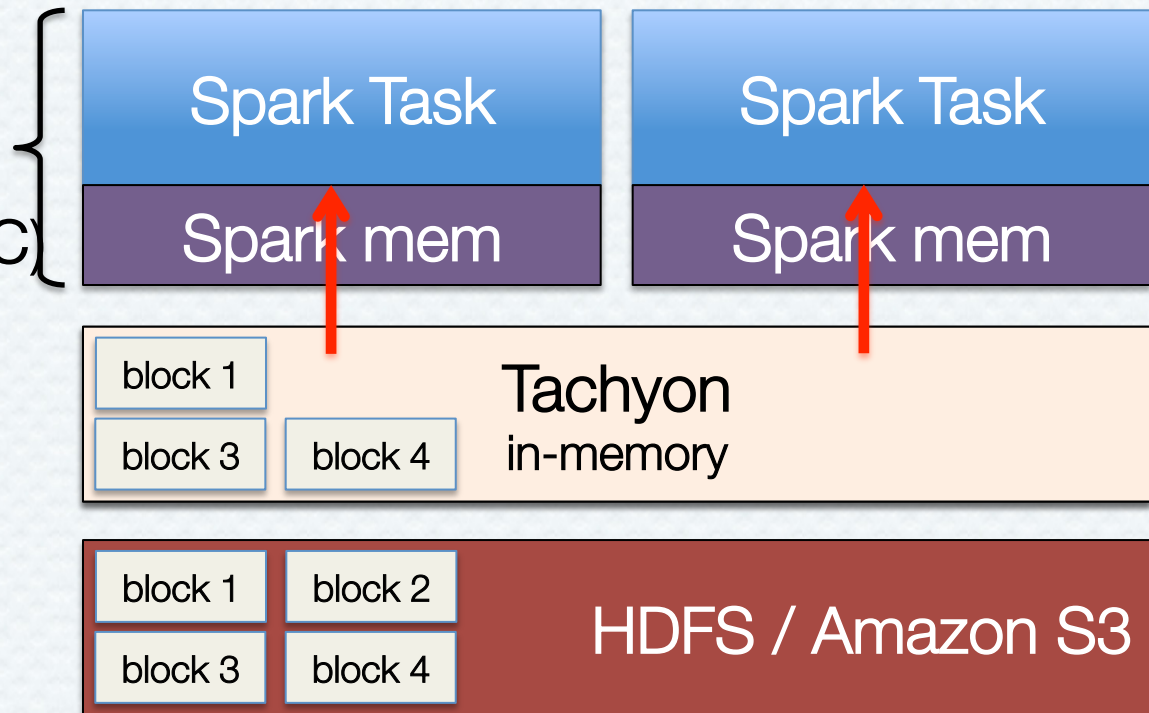
*Keep in-memory data safe,
even when a job crashes.*



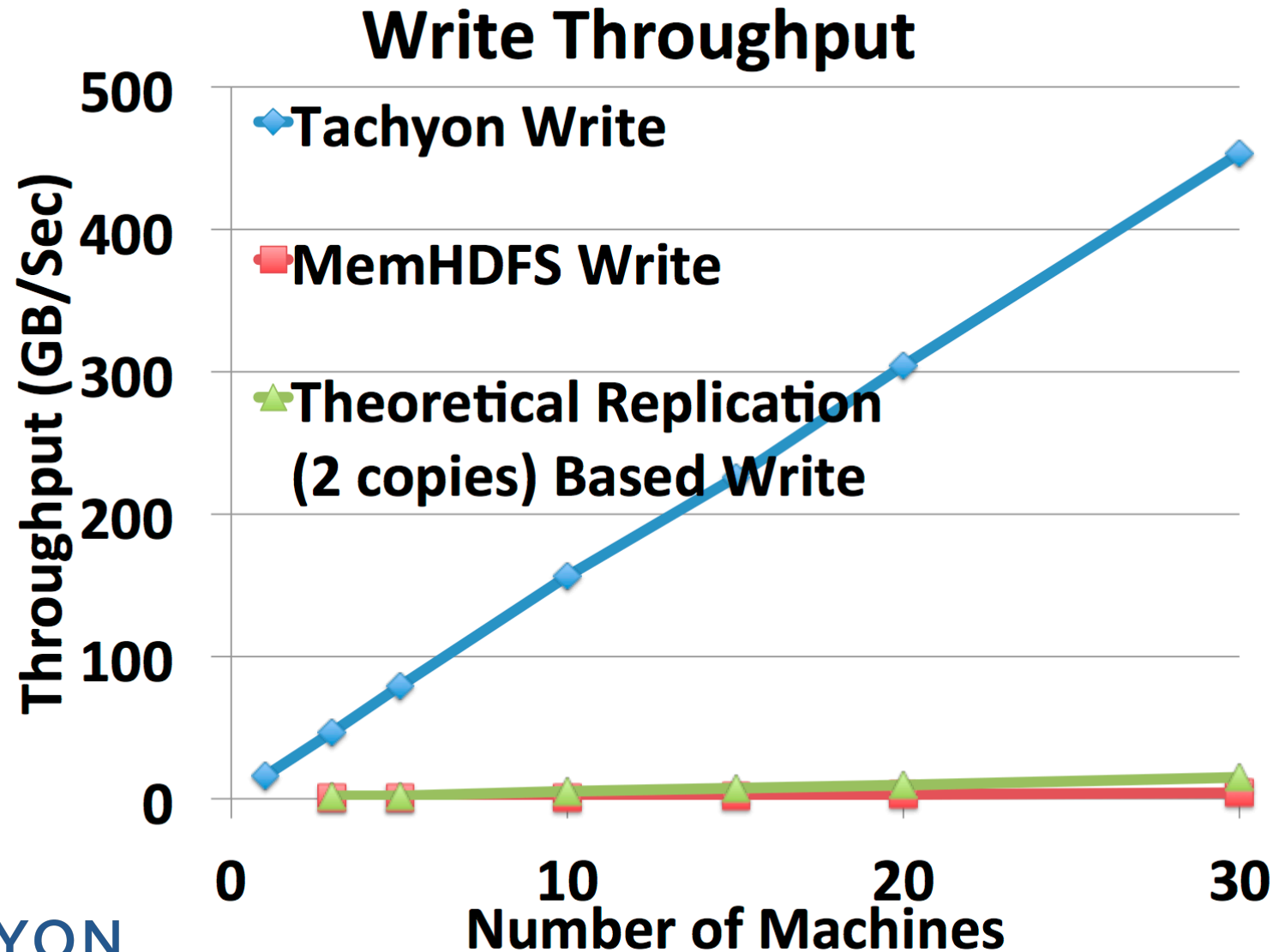
Issue 3 revisited

*No in-memory data duplication,
much less GC*

execution engine &
storage engine
same process
(no duplication & GC)



Comparison with In-Memory HDFS



Outline

- Overview
 - Motivation
 - Tachyon Architecture
 - Using Tachyon
- **Open Source**
 - Status
 - Production Use Cases
- Roadmap

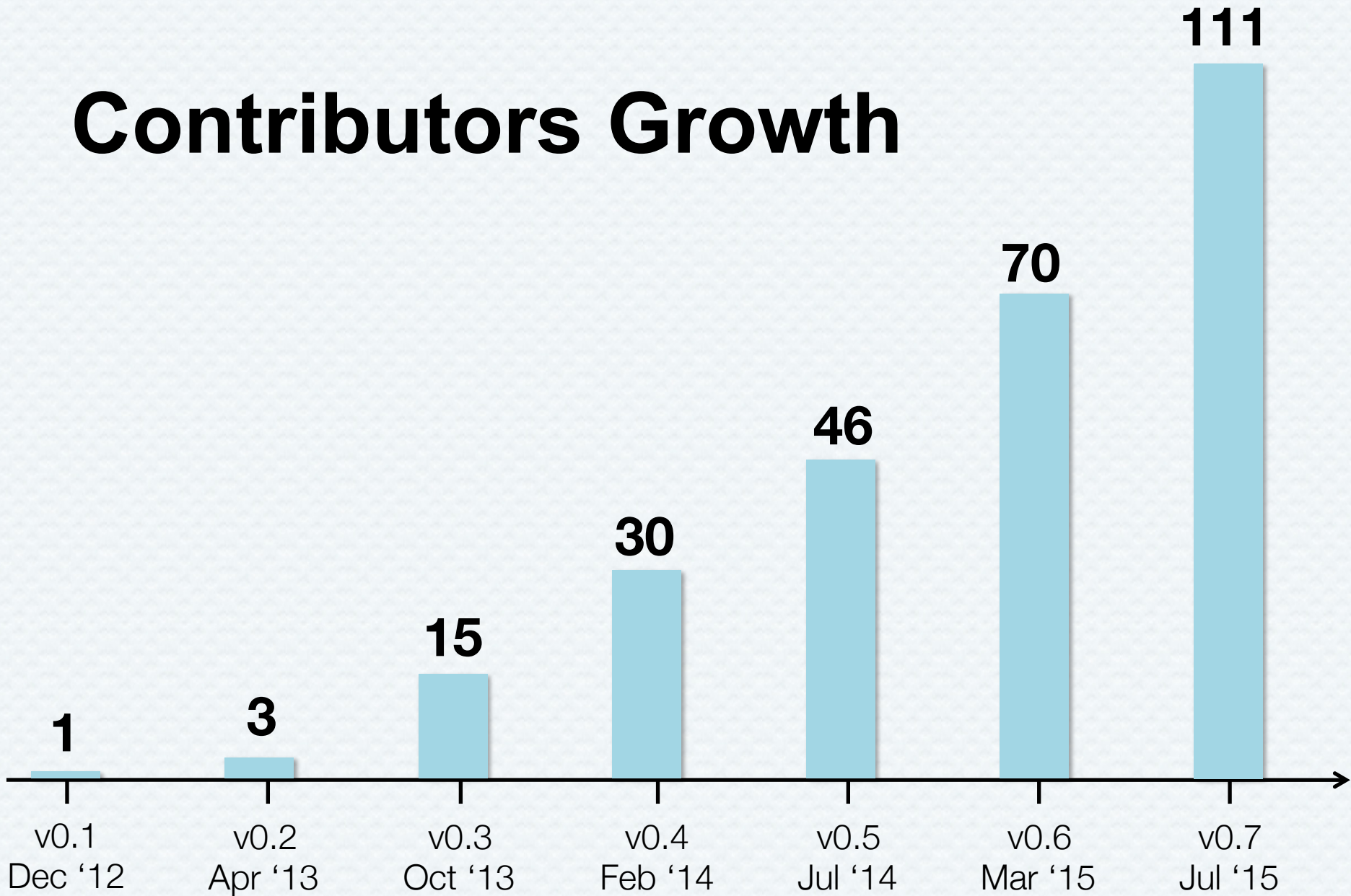
Open Source Status

- Started at UC Berkeley AMPLab in Summer 2012
- Apache License 2.0, Version 0.7.1 (August 2015)

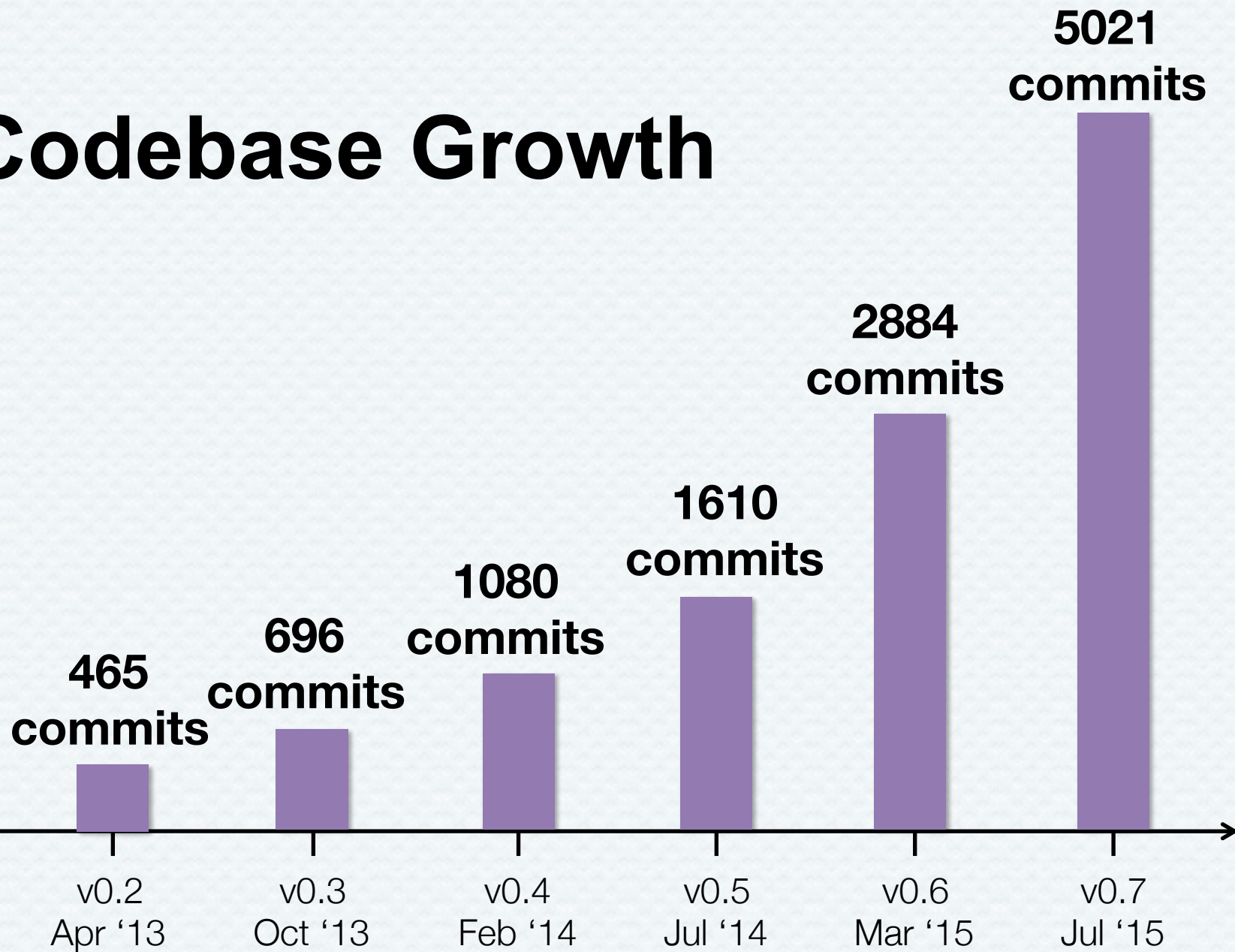


- Deployed at > 50 companies (July 2014)
- 30+ Companies Contributing

Contributors Growth



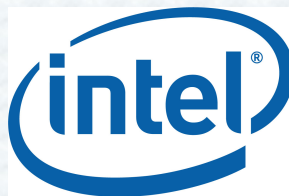
Codebase Growth



Thanks to Our Contributors!



YAHOO!



IBM

Baidu 百度



TACHYON
NEXUS



NOKIA

databricks™

CRAY
THE SUPERCOMPUTER COMPANY



redhat.

Berkeley
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA



Palantir
Technologies

ClearStory
DATA
Now You See It™

Pivotal
Atigeo™

Mellanox
TECHNOLOGIES

cloudera®

Reported Tachyon Usage

Tachyon is the

-Heap
lution



terns™
cover. act.

ns Contact Q

< Previous Next >

ric file system

didn't know Tachyon, you could
can *only* move faster than the
36

The Future Architecture of a Data Lake:
In-memory Data Exchange Platform

IBM Research
Data Management MRI Mathematics Medical Informatics Computational Biology
Discovery & Data Mining Networking & Communications Relational Natural Language
Polymer Kinetics Simulation Machine Learning
Extraction Chemistry Analytics Cognitive Com
cy Programming Languages Materials for Advanced Microelectronics Process
Language Processing Computer Architecture Cognitive Computing Nanotechnol
s Computational Biology Relational Natural Language Processing Computer Arch

8.17.2015

Tachyon for ultra-fast Big Data processing



Editor's note: This article is by cloud analytics infrastructure expert Gil Vernik, IBM Research-Haifa.

Today's massive growth in data sets means that storage is increasingly becoming a critical bottleneck for system workloads. My storage team in Haifa, Israel wants to analyze and understand these massive volumes of data, and we need to store them somewhere reliable. Although disk space is an option, it's too slow to carry out fast Big Data processing. In-memory computing, which keeps the data in a server's RAM for fast access and processing, offers a good solution for processing Big Data workloads – but it's limited and expensive.

Enter Tachyon, a memory-centric distributed storage system that offers processing at memory-speed and reliable storage. Its software works with servers in clusters so there's plenty of room for storage, and a unique proprietary feature eliminates the need for replication to ensure fault tolerance. Now, we've connected Tachyon to Swift so it can work effortlessly with Swift and SoftLayer. The result? Tachyon is even more flexible and efficient.

IBM RESEARCH
HOMEPAGE

IBM Research

IBM RESEARCH ON
TWITTER

[Follow us on Twitter](#)

BLOG ARCHIVE

▼ 2015 (44)

▼ August (6)

[IBM's New
Polymers
Acclaimed for
Use in 3-D
Print...](#)

[Tachyon for ultra-
fast Big Data](#)

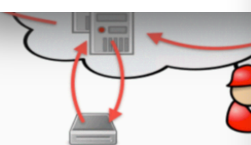
speed or light. This Tachyon is part of the Berkeley Data Analytics Stack (BDAS), which

Pivotal
is EMC²

GIGAON

ZDNet

database
TRENDS AND APPLICAT



TACHYON
NEXUS

Under Filesystem Choices

(Big Data, Cloud, HPC, Enterprise)



Use Case: Baidu

- Framework: **SparkSQL**
- Under Storage: **Baidu's File System**
- Storage Media: **MEM + HDD**
- **100+** nodes deployment
- **1PB+** managed space
- **30x** Performance Improvement

Use Case: a SAAS Company

- Framework: **Impala**
- Under Storage: **S3**
- Storage Media: **MEM + SSD**
- **15x** Performance Improvement

Use Case: an Oil Company

- Framework: **Spark**
- Under Storage: **GlusterFS**
- Storage Media: **MEM** only
- Analyzing data in traditional storage

Use Case: a SAAS Company

- Framework: **Spark**
- Under Storage: **S3**
- Storage Media: **SSD** only
- Elastic Tachyon deployment

Outline

- Overview
 - Motivation
 - Tachyon Architecture
 - Using Tachyon
- Open Source
 - Status
 - Production Use Cases
- Roadmap

New Features

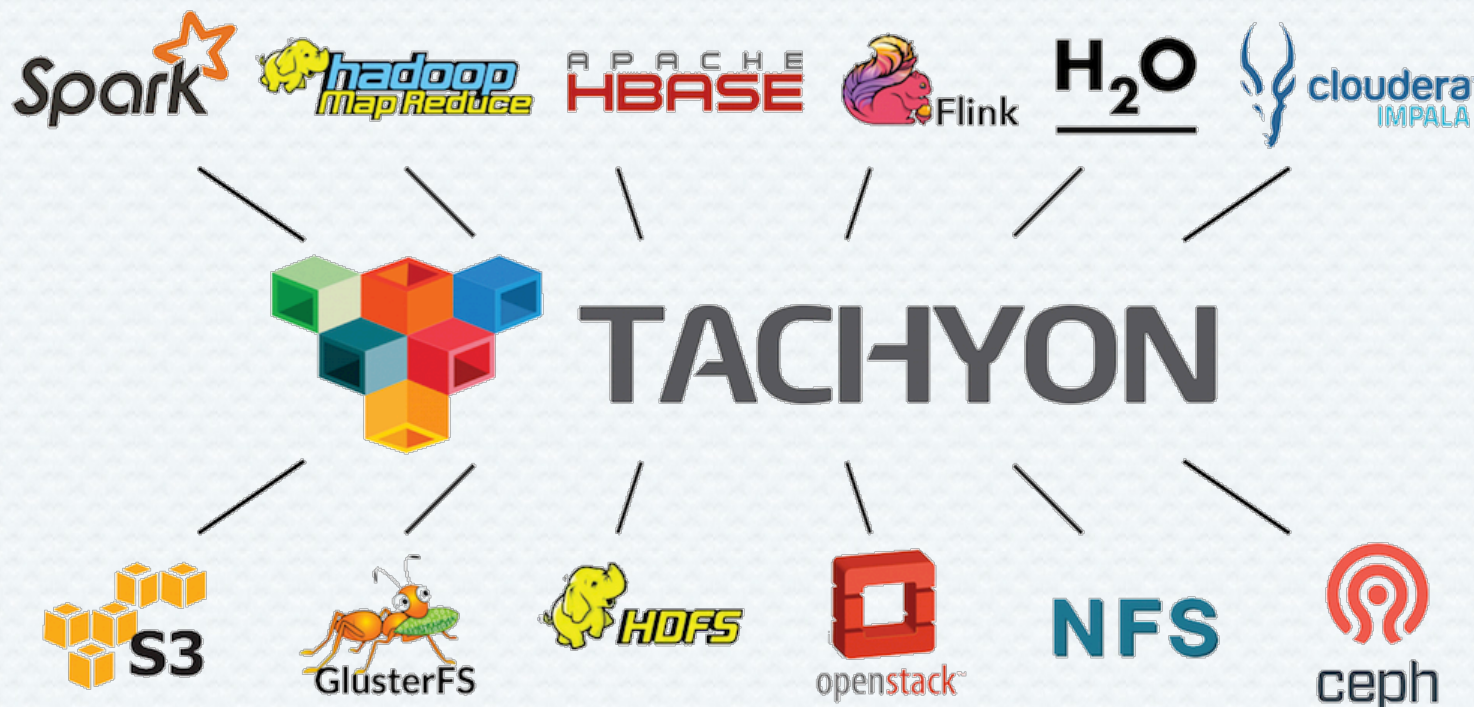
- Lineage in Storage (alpha)
- Tiered Storage (alpha)

New Features

- Lineage in Storage (alpha)
- Tiered Storage (alpha)
- Data Serving
- Support for New Hardware
- ...
- Your New Feature!

Tachyon's Goal?

Distributed Memory-Centric Storage: Better Assist Other Components



Welcome Collaboration!

[JIRA New Contributor Tasks](#)



TACHYON

- Website: <http://tachyon-project.org>
- Github: <https://github.com/amplab/tachyon>
- Meetup: <http://www.meetup.com/Tachyon>
- News Letter Subscription: <http://goo.gl/mwB2sX>
- Email: haoyuan@tachyonnexus.com