

# NoSQL Roadshow Munich 2013

Training - Big Data Analyses with R

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## Motivation and Goals

- Today, there exists a lot of data and a huge pool of analyses methods
- **R** is a great tool for your Big Data analyses
- Provide overview of Big Data technologies in **R**
- Hands-on code and exercises to get started

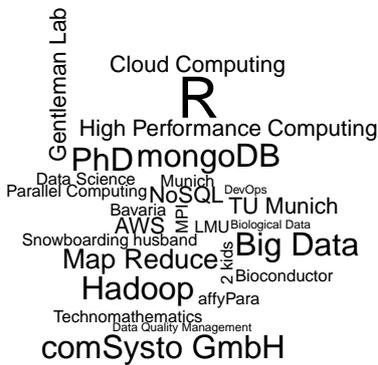


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- 1 R
- 2 R and Databases
- 3 R and Hadoop



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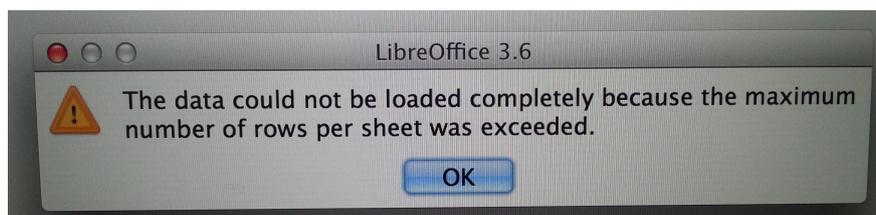
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- focuses on open source frameworks
- Meetup organizer for Munich
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  - ▶ <http://www.meetup.com/Muenchen-MongoDB-User-Group/>
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## Big Data

- a big hype topic
- everything is big data
- everyone want to work with big data
- Wikipedia: a collection of data sets **so large and complex** that it **becomes difficult** to process using on-hand database management tools or traditional data processing applications



# Big Data

my view on data

- access to many different data sources (Internet)
- storage is cheap - store everything
- today, CIOs get interested in the power of all their data
- ⇒ a lot of different and complex data have to be stored in one data warehouse
- ⇒ NoSQL



## NoSQL - MongoDB

- databases using looser consistency models to store data
- MongoDB:
  - ▶ open source document-oriented database system
  - ▶ supported by 10gen
  - ▶ stores structured data as JSON-like documents



<http://www.mongodb.org>



# Big Data

my view on processing

- more and more data have to be processed
- backward-looking analysis is outdated
- today, we are working on quasi real-time analysis
- but, CIOs are interested in forward-looking predictive analysis
- ⇒ more complex methods, more processing time
- ⇒ Hadoop, Super Computer and statistical tools



## Hadoop

- a big data technology
- open-source software framework designed to support large scale data processing
- supports data-intensive distributed applications
- inspired by Google's MapReduce based computational infrastructure
- MapReduce: a computational paradigm
  - ▶ application is divided into many small fragments of work
- HDFS: Hadoop Distributed File System
  - ▶ a distributed file system that stores data on the compute nodes
- the Ecosystem: Hive, Pig, Flume, Mahout, ...
- written in Java, opened up to alternatives through its Streaming API



<http://hadoop.apache.org>



# Big Data

my view on resources

- computing resources are available to everyone and cheap
- man-power is expensive and it is difficult to hire Big Data experts
  - ▶ Java Programmer: good programming - bad statistical background
  - ▶ Statistician: good methodology - bad programming and database knowledge
  - ▶ Big Data Analyst: = 'Fachkräftemangel'
- ⇒ welcome to the 'Training Big Data Analyses with R' to solve this problem



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### 1 R

- [www.r-project.org](http://www.r-project.org)
- R vs. SAS vs. Julia
- R books
- Installation
- RStudio IDE
- R as calculator
- Packages: ggplot2 & shiny
- Exercise 1

### 2 R and Databases

- Starting relational
- R and MongoDB
- rmongodb
- Exercise 2

### 3 R and Hadoop

- Short MapReduce intro
- Package rmr2
- Package rhdfs



- open-source: **R** is a free software environment for statistical computing and graphics
- offers tools to manage and analyze data
- standard statistical methods are implemented
- huge online-libraries with **R**-packages:
  - ▶ CRAN: <http://cran.r-project.org/>
  - ▶ BioConductor (genomic data): <http://www.bioconductor.org/>
  - ▶ Omegahat: <http://www.omegahat.org/>
  - ▶ **R**-Forge: <http://r-forge.r-project.org/>
- all statistical analyzes tools and latest developments
- possibility to write personalized code and to contribute new packages



- source code is open and can be modified
- compiles and runs under different systems: UNIX, Windows, MacOS
- support via the **R** mailing list by members of the core team
  - ▶ **R**-announce, **R**-packages, **R**-help, **R**-devel, ...
  - ▶ <http://www.r-project.org/mail.html>
- support via several manuals and books:
  - ▶ <http://www.r-project.org/doc/bib/R-books.html>
  - ▶ <http://cran.r-project.org/manuals.html>
- no standardized graphical user interface (GUI)
- really famous since January 6, 2009: The New York Times, "Data Analysts Captivated by **R**'s Power"



- **R** is an **S** interpreter
  - ▶ **S** is a full-featured programming language
- a lot of string processing and graphical capabilities are built into **R**
- **R** can be used for a lot of things that have nothing to do with statistics, e.g.:
  - ▶ create a web gallery of your vacation photos
  - ▶ write serial emails
  - ▶ write presentation slides with LaTeX
  - ▶ check **R** code against documentation
  - ▶ create a 3D shape files



```
> library(onion)
> data(bunny)
> p3d(bunny, theta=3, phi=104, box=FALSE)
```



## R vs. SAS vs. Julia

**R** is open source, **SAS** is a commercial product and **Julia** a very new dynamic programming language

- **R** is free and available to everyone
- **R** code is open source and can be modified by everyone
- **R** is a complete and enclosed programming language
- **R** has a big and active community

All three work very well and there are other powerful analysis tools



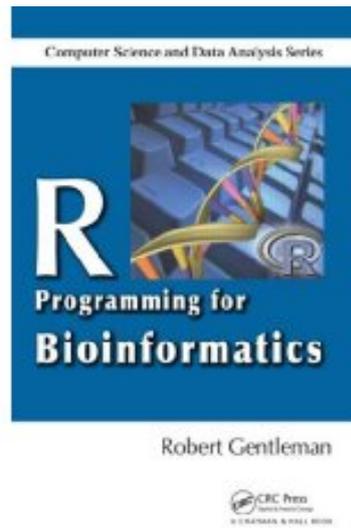
Julia



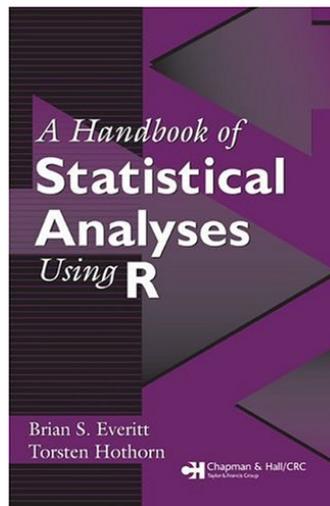
# R books



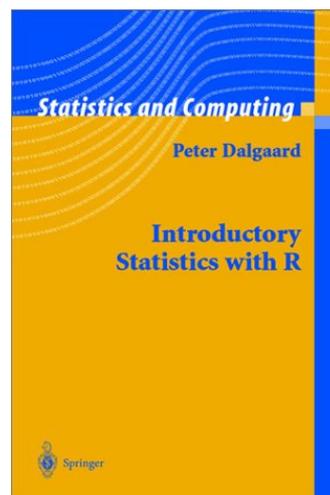
(a)



(b)



(c)



(d)



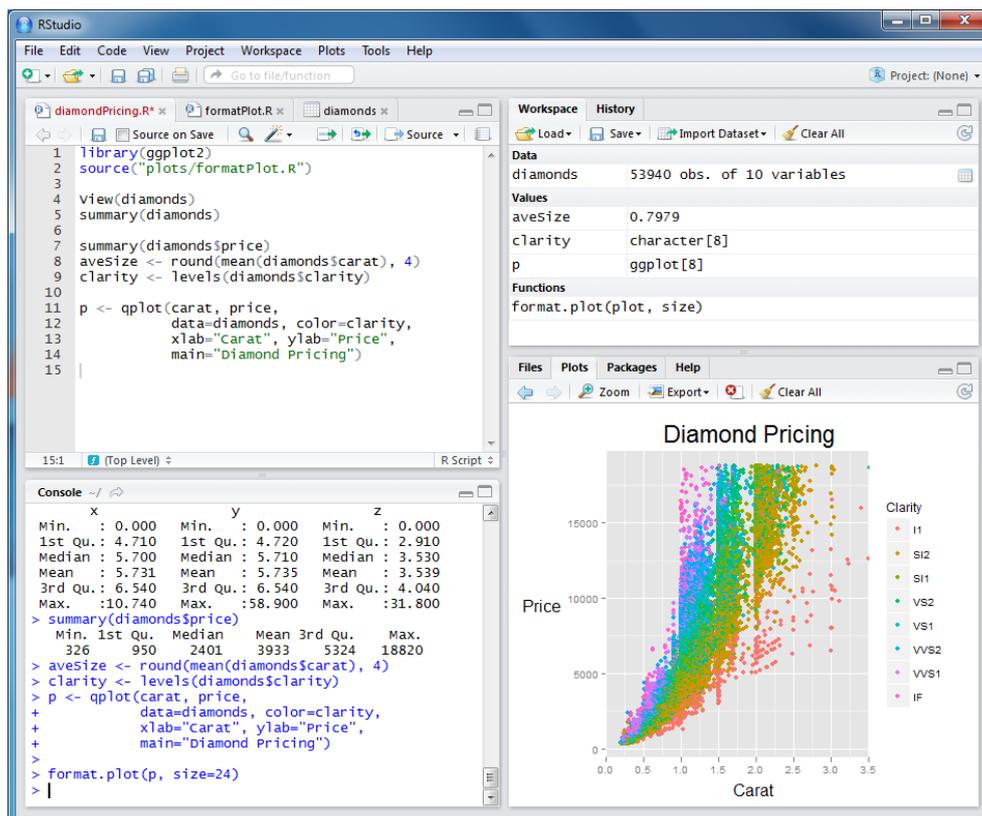
# Installation

- Installation and Download:  
<http://cran.r-project.org/sources.html>
- Linux, MacOS X, and Windows support
- starting **R**: R (at your command line)
- Editors: emacs, Tinn-**R**, Eclipse, **RStudio**, ....
- quitting **R**:  
> q()



## RStudio IDE

<http://www.rstudio.com>



The screenshot shows the RStudio interface with a script editor on the left containing the following code:

```

1 # Home Prices In Mid-West
2
3 homes <- read.csv("homePriceData.csv")
4 View(homes)
5 names(homes)
6 summary(homes$price)
7 summary(homes$age)
8
9 states <- levels(homes$state)
10 avePrice <- round(mean(homes$price),2)
11 aveAge <- round(mean(homes$age), 0)
12
13
14

```

The console on the bottom left shows the execution of these commands, resulting in the following output:

```

> homes <- read.csv("homePriceData.csv")
> View(homes)
> names(homes)
[1] "city"      "state"    "price"
[4] "age"      "condition" "remodeling"
[7] "neighborhood"
> summary(homes$price)
  Min.   75290
 1st Qu. 100000
  Median 120000
  Mean   140000
 3rd Qu. 160000
  Max.   200000
> summary(homes$age)
  Min.   0.00
 1st Qu. 1.00
  Median 2.00
  Mean   3.00
 3rd Qu. 4.00
  Max.   5.00
> states
[1] "IL" "IN" "MI" "OH"
> avePrice
[1] 140000
> aveAge
[1] 3
> old <- sub

```

The Workspace pane on the right shows the loaded data frame 'homes' with 580 observations and 7 variables. The Help pane on the right displays the documentation for the `subset` function, titled "Subsetting Vectors, Matrices and Data Frames". A tooltip is visible over the `subset` function name in the console, showing its signature: `subset(x, ...)` and its description: "Return subsets of vectors, matrices or data frames which meet conditions.".



The screenshot shows the RStudio interface with a script editor on the left containing the following code:

```

1 # User Analysis
2
3 setwd("~/analysis")
4 source("prep.R")
5
6 library(plyr)
7 library(lattice)
8 library(ggplot2)
9
10 # Import data set
11 rawdata <- read.csv("stats.csv")
12 dim(rawdata)
13
14 # Clean data set
15 clean <- prepareStats(rawdata)
16
17 # Subset of active users
18 active <- subset(clean, active == 1)
19 count(active, "daysSinceAccountCreated < 30")[2,2]
20 mean(active$age)
21
22
23
24

```

The console on the bottom left shows the execution of these commands, resulting in the following output:

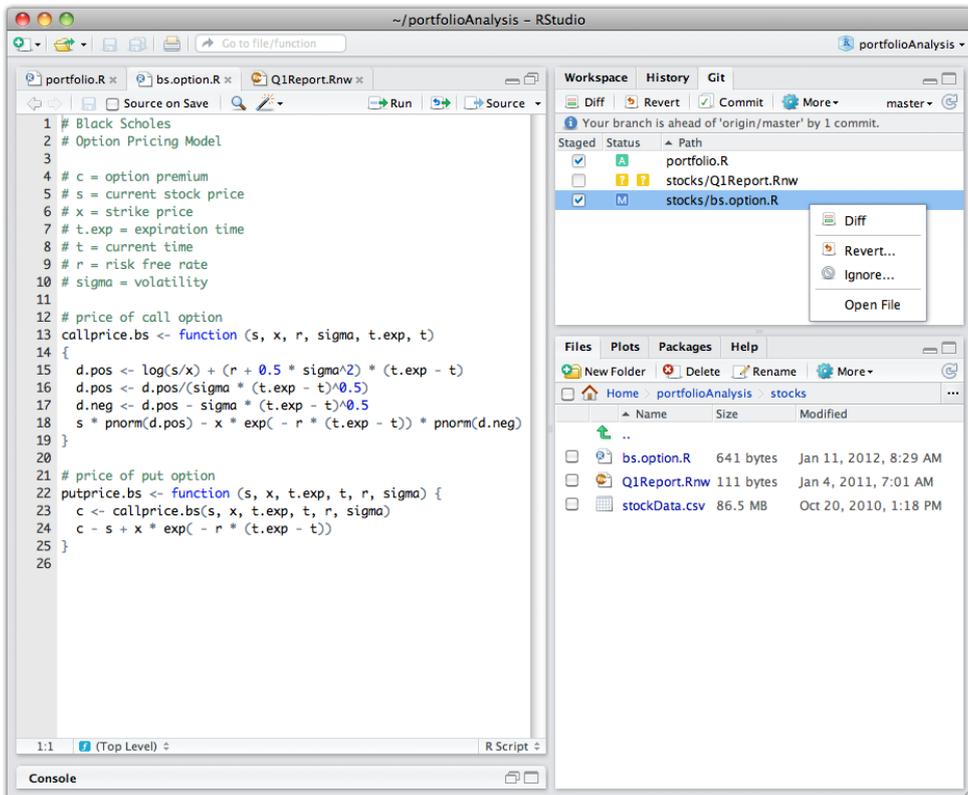
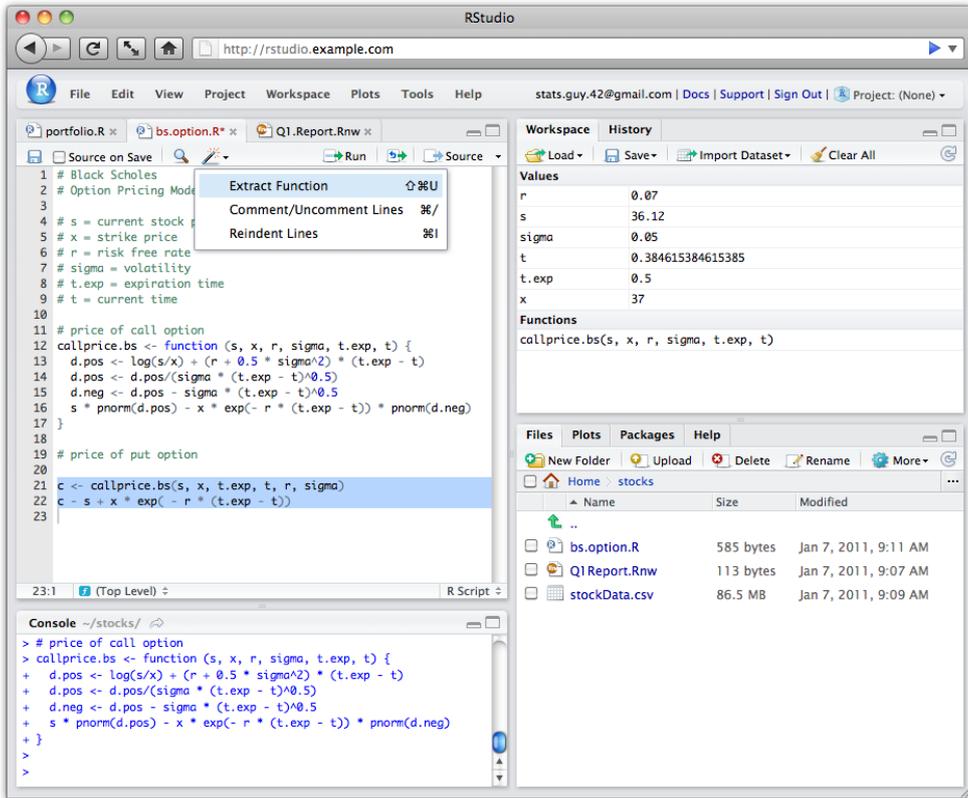
```

> library(plyr)
> library(lattice)
> library(ggplot2)
> # Import data set
> rawdata <- read.csv("stats.csv")
> dim(rawdata)
[1] 530750 35
>
> # Clean data set
> clean <- prepareStats(rawdata)
>
>
> # Subset of active users
> active <- subset(clean, active == 1)
> count(active, "daysSinceAccountCreated < 30")[2,2]
[1] 12345
> mean(active$age)
[1] 30

```

The Workspace pane on the right shows the loaded data frame 'rawdata' with 530750 observations and 35 variables. The Files pane on the right shows a list of installed packages, including `compiler`, `datasets`, `dichromat`, `digest`, `evaluate`, `foreign`, `formatR`, `ggplot2`, `graphics`, and `grDevices`. A tooltip is visible over the Run button in the script editor, showing the text: "Run the current line or selection (Ctrl+Enter)".





## R as calculator

```
> (5+5) - 1 * 3
```

```
[1] 7
```

```
> abs(-5)
```

```
[1] 5
```

```
> x <- 3
```

```
> x
```

```
[1] 3
```

```
> x^2 + 4
```

```
[1] 13
```

```
> sum(1,2,3,4)
```

```
[1] 10
```



```
> help("mean")
```

```
> ?mean
```

```
> x <- 1:10
```

```
> x
```

```
[1] 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
```

```
> y <- c(1,2,3)
```

```
> y
```

```
[1] 1 2 3
```

```
> x < 5
```

```
[1] TRUE TRUE TRUE TRUE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE
```

```
> x[3:7]
```

```
[1] 3 4 5 6 7
```

```
> x[-2]
```

```
[1] 1 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
```



## load packages and data

```
> # install.packages("onion")
> library(onion)
> data(bunny)
> head(bunny, n=3)

           x           y           z
[1,] -0.0378297  0.127940  0.00447467
[2,] -0.0447794  0.128887  0.00190497
[3,] -0.0680095  0.151244  0.03719530
> p3d(bunny, theta=3, phi=104, box=FALSE)
```



## Package: **ggplot2**

- Author: Prof. Hardley Wickham (since 2012 RStudio member)
- useful for producing complex graphics relatively simply
- an implementation of the Grammar of Graphics book by Liland Wilkinson
  - ▶ the basic notion is that there is a grammar to the composition of graphical components in statistical graphics
  - ▶ by directly controlling that grammar, you can generate a large set of carefully constructed graphics from a relatively small set of operations
  - ▶ "A good grammar will allow us to gain insight into the composition of complicated graphics, and reveal unexpected connections between seemingly different graphics."



```
> library(ggplot2)
> head(mtcars, n=3)
```

	mpg	cyl	disp	hp	drat	wt	qsec	vs	am	gear	carb
Mazda RX4	21.0	6	160	110	3.90	2.620	16.46	0	1	4	4
Mazda RX4 Wag	21.0	6	160	110	3.90	2.875	17.02	0	1	4	4
Datsun 710	22.8	4	108	93	3.85	2.320	18.61	1	1	4	1

```
> summary(mtcars)
```

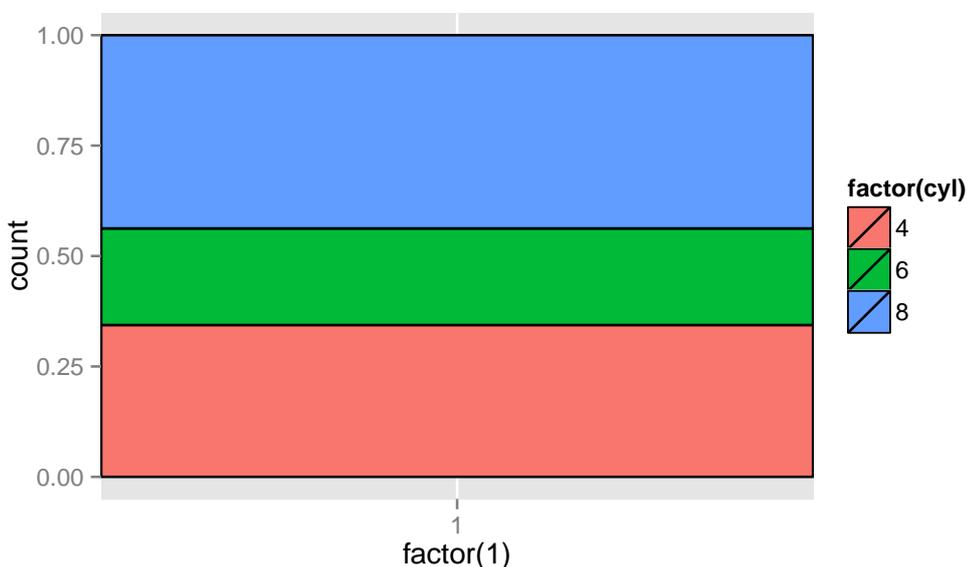
mpg		cyl		disp		hp	
Min.	:10.40	Min.	:4.000	Min.	: 71.1	Min.	: 52.0
1st Qu.:	15.43	1st Qu.:	4.000	1st Qu.:	120.8	1st Qu.:	96.5
Median	:19.20	Median	:6.000	Median	:196.3	Median	:123.0
Mean	:20.09	Mean	:6.188	Mean	:230.7	Mean	:146.7
3rd Qu.:	22.80	3rd Qu.:	8.000	3rd Qu.:	326.0	3rd Qu.:	180.0
Max.	:33.90	Max.	:8.000	Max.	:472.0	Max.	:335.0

drat		wt		qsec		vs	
Min.	:2.760	Min.	:1.513	Min.	:14.50	Min.	:0.0000
1st Qu.:	3.080	1st Qu.:	2.581	1st Qu.:	16.89	1st Qu.:	0.0000
Median	:3.695	Median	:3.325	Median	:17.71	Median	:0.0000
Mean	:3.597	Mean	:3.217	Mean	:17.85	Mean	:0.4375
3rd Qu.:	3.920	3rd Qu.:	3.610	3rd Qu.:	18.90	3rd Qu.:	1.0000
Max.	:4.930	Max.	:5.424	Max.	:22.90	Max.	:1.0000

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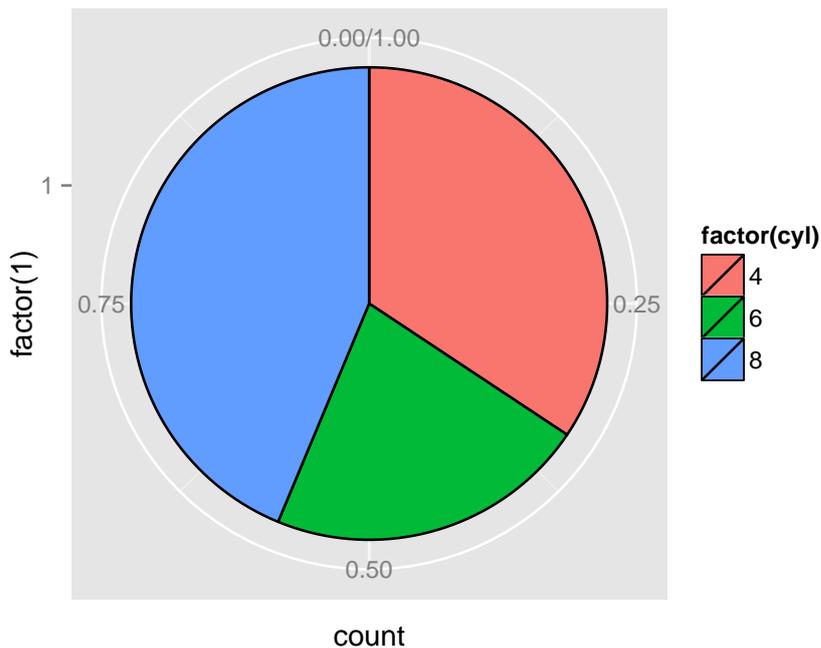
am		gear		carb	
----	--	------	--	------	--

```
> pie <- ggplot(mtcars, aes(x = factor(1),
+ fill = factor(cyl))) +
+ geom_bar(width = 1,
+ position = "fill", color = "black")
> pie
```



[cyl: number of cylinders]

```
> pie + coord_polar(theta = "y")
```



## Shiny - easy web application

- Developed by RStudio
- turn analyses into interactive web applications that anyone can use
- let your users choose input parameters using friendly controls like sliders, drop-downs, and text fields
- easily incorporate any number of outputs like plots, tables, and summaries
- no HTML or JavaScript knowledge is necessary, only **R**

<http://www.rstudio.com/shiny/>



# Shiny - Server

- node.js based application to host Shiny Apps on webserver
- Developed by RStudio
- **R**Apache package provides similar functionality to host and execute **R** code
- **R**Apache more difficult to use, but more flexibility



## Hello World Shiny

- a simple application that generates a random distribution with a configurable number of observations and then plots it

```
> library(shiny)
> runExample("01_hello")
```

- Shiny applications have two components:
  - ▶ a user-interface definition: ui.R
  - ▶ a server script: server.R
- For more documentation check the tutorial:  
<http://rstudio.github.io/shiny/tutorial>



# Exercise 1

- Connect to the **RStudio** Server:
  - ▶ `http://bigdata.comsysto.com:8787`
  - ▶ user01 - user30 (pw: comsysto)
- Use **R** as calculator:
  - ▶ In your home directory you can find a file "exercise1.R". Run all the commands.
  - ▶ R experts will find a small challenge at the end of the file.
- Check the Shiny App running on:  
`http://bigdata.comsysto.com:3838/users/user01/01_hello`
  - ▶ In your home directory you can find a folder "ShinyApp". This folder holds all the code for several example ShinyApps.
  - ▶ There are 11 different ShinyApps. Go to the URL of one or two other ShinyApps from your user, e.g. :  
`http://bigdata.comsysto.com:3838/users/userXX/05_sliders`
  - ▶ Feel free to make changes and check the results in your browser.



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  - Package `rmr2`
  - Package `rhdfs`



# R and Databases

## Starting relational

- SQL provides a standard language to filter, aggregate, group, sort data
- SQL-like query languages showing up in new places (Hadoop Hive)
- ODBC provides SQL interface to non-database data (Excel, CSV, text files)
- **R** stores relational data in data.frames

```
> data(iris)
```

```
> head(iris, n=3)
```

	Sepal.Length	Sepal.Width	Petal.Length	Petal.Width	Species
1	5.1	3.5	1.4	0.2	setosa
2	4.9	3.0	1.4	0.2	setosa
3	4.7	3.2	1.3	0.2	setosa

```
> class(iris)
```

```
[1] "data.frame"
```



## Package **sqldf**

- sqldf is an **R** package for running SQL statements on **R** data frames
- SQL statements in **R** using data frame names in place of table names
- a database with appropriate table layouts/schema is automatically created, the data frames are automatically loaded into the database
- the result is read back into **R**
- sqldf supports the SQLite backend database (by default), the H2 java database, the PostgreSQL database and MySQL



```

> library(sqldf)
> sqldf("select * from iris limit 2")
  Sepal_Length Sepal_Width Petal_Length Petal_Width Species
1           5.1           3.5           1.4           0.2  setosa
2           4.9           3.0           1.4           0.2  setosa
> sqldf("select count(*) from iris")
  count(*)
1       150
> sqldf("select Species, count(*) from iris group by Species")
  Species count(*)
1   setosa         50
2 versicolor         50
3  virginica         50
> sqldf("select avg(Sepal_Length) mean, variance(Sepal_Length) var")
  mean      var
1 5.843333 0.6856935

```



## Package **RODBC**

- provides access to databases (including Microsoft Access and Microsoft SQL Server) through an ODBC interface.

```

> library(RODBC)
> myconn <- odbcConnect("mydsn", uid="Rob", pwd="aardvark")
> crimedat <- sqlFetch(myconn, Crime)
> pundat <- sqlQuery(myconn, "select * from Punishment")
> close(myconn)

```



## Other relational package

- **RMySQL** package provides an interface to MySQL.
- **RPostgreSQL** package provides an interface to PostgreSQL.
- **ROracle** package provides an interface for Oracle.
- **RJDBC** package provides access to databases through a JDBC interface.
- **RSQLite** package provides access to SQLite. The source for the SQLite engine is included.

One big problem:

- all packages read full result in **R** memory
- for Big Data this can be a problem



## R and MongoDB

- on CRAN there are two packages to connect **R** with MongoDB
  - ▶ **rmongodb** supported bei 10gen
    - ★ powerfull for big data
    - ★ difficult to use due to BSON objects
  - ▶ **RMongo**
    - ★ is very similar to all the relational packages
    - ★ easy to use
    - ★ limited functionality
    - ★ reads full results in **R** memory
    - ★ does not work on MAC OSX



# Package Rmongo

- uses a **R** to Java bridge and the Java MongoDB driver

```
> library(Rmongo)
> mongo <- mongoDbConnect("test", "localhost", 27017)
> dbShowCollections(mongo)
> dbGetQuery(mongo, "zips", "{ 'state': 'AL' }")
> dbGetQuery(mongo, "zips", "{ 'pop': { '$gt': 100000 } }")
> dbInsertDocument(mongo, "test_data",
+                  '{"foo": "bar", "size": 5 }')
> dbInsertDocument(mongo, "test_data",
+                  '{"foo": "nl", "size": 10 }')
> dbGetQuery(mongo, "test_data", "{}")
```



- supports the aggregation framework

```
> output <- dbAggregate(mongo, "zips",
+ c('{ "$group" : { "_id" : "$state", totalPop :
+   { $sum : "$pop" } } }',
+   '{ "$match" : { totalPop : { $gte : 10000 } } }')
+ )
```

- in SQL: SELECT state, SUM(pop) AS pop FROM zips GROUP BY state HAVING pop > (10000)



# Package **rmongodb**

- developed on top of the MongoDB supported C driver
- runs almost entirely in native code, so you can expect high performance
- MongoDB and **rmongodb** use BSON documents to represent objects in the database and for network messages
- BSON is an efficient binary representation of JSON-like objects (<http://www.mongodb.org/display/DOCS/BSON>)
- there are numerous functions in **rmongodb** for serializing/deserializing data to/from BSON



```
> mongo <- mongo.create()
> mongo.insert(mongo, namespace, record)
> result <- mongo.find.one(mongo, namespace, query)
> mongo.update(mongo, namespace, criteria, objNew)
> mongo.remove(mongo, namespace, criteria)
> mongo.destroy(mongo)
```



```

> library(rmongodb)
rmongodb package (mongo-r-driver) loaded
Use 'help("mongo")' to get started.
> mongo <- mongo.create(host="localhost")
> mongo.get.database.collections(mongo, "test")
[1] "test.zips"          "test.test"          "test.test2"        "test.test_"
> buf <- mongo.bson.buffer.create()
> mongo.bson.buffer.append(buf, "state", "AL")
[1] TRUE
> query <- mongo.bson.from.buffer(buf)
> cursor <- mongo.find(mongo, "test.zips", query)
> cursor
[1] 0
attr(,"mongo.cursor")
<pointer: 0x1006dce00>
attr(,"class")
[1] "mongo.cursor"

```



```

> res <- NULL
> while (mongo.cursor.next(cursor)){
+   tmp <- mongo.bson.to.list(mongo.cursor.value(cursor))
+   res <- rbind(res, tmp)
+ }
> mongo.cursor.destroy(cursor)
[1] FALSE
> mongo.destroy(mongo)
NULL
> head(res, n=4)
      city      loc      pop  state  _id
tmp "ACMAR"      Numeric,2 6055  "AL"  "35004"
tmp "ADAMSVILLE" Numeric,2 10616 "AL"  "35005"
tmp "ADGER"      Numeric,2 3205  "AL"  "35006"
tmp "KEYSTONE"  Numeric,2 14218 "AL"  "35007"

```



```
> mongo <- mongo.create()
> buf <- mongo.bson.buffer.create()
> mongo.bson.buffer.start.object(buf, "pop")
[1] TRUE
> mongo.bson.buffer.append(buf, "$gt", 100000L)
[1] TRUE
> mongo.bson.buffer.finish.object(buf)
[1] TRUE
> query <- mongo.bson.from.buffer(buf)
> mongo.count(mongo, "test.zips", query)
[1] 4
```



```
> mongo.insert(mongo, "test.test_data",
+              list(foo="bar", size=5L))
[1] TRUE
> mongo.insert(mongo, "test.test_data",
+              list(foo="nl", size=10L))
[1] TRUE
> buf <- mongo.bson.buffer.create()
> query <- mongo.bson.from.buffer(buf)
> mongo.count(mongo, "test.test_data", query)
[1] 6
```



```

> cursor <- mongo.find(mongo, "test.test_data", query)
> res <- NULL
> while (mongo.cursor.next(cursor)){
+   tmp <- mongo.bson.to.list(mongo.cursor.value(cursor))
+   res <- rbind(res, tmp)
+ }
> mongo.cursor.destroy(cursor)

[1] FALSE

> mongo.destroy(mongo)

NULL

> head(res, n=3)

   _id      foo  size
tmp 90162792 "bar"  5
tmp 81870720 "nl"  10
tmp 84941544 "bar"  5

```



## Create BSON objects

- It is all about creating BSON query or field objects:

```

> b <- mongo.bson.from.list(
+   list(name="Fred", age=29, city="Boston"))
> b

name : 2   Fred
age  : 1   29.000000
city : 2   Boston

> l <- mongo.bson.to.list(b)
> l

$name
[1] "Fred"

$age
[1] 29

$city
[1] "Boston"

```



```

> ?mongo.bson.buffer.append
> buf <- mongo.bson.buffer.create()
> mongo.bson.buffer.append(buf, "name", "Fred")

[1] TRUE

> mongo.bson.buffer.append(buf, "city", "Dayton")

[1] TRUE

> mongo.bson.buffer.append.int(buf, "year", 1968)

[1] TRUE

> b <- mongo.bson.from.buffer(buf)
> b

name : 2   Fred
city  : 2   Dayton
year  : 16  1968

```



```

> buf <- mongo.bson.buffer.create()
> mongo.bson.buffer.start.array(buf, "Fibonacci")

[1] TRUE

> mongo.bson.buffer.append.double(buf, "0", c(1,2,3))

[1] TRUE

> mongo.bson.buffer.finish.object(buf)

[1] TRUE

> mongo.bson.from.buffer(buf)

Fibonacci : 4
0 : 4
0 : 1   1.000000
1 : 1   2.000000
2 : 1   3.000000

```



```

> buf <- mongo.bson.buffer.create()
> mongo.bson.buffer.start.object(buf, "name")
[1] TRUE
> mongo.bson.buffer.append(buf, "first", "Jeff")
[1] TRUE
> mongo.bson.buffer.append(buf, "last", "Davis")
[1] TRUE
> mongo.bson.buffer.finish.object(buf)
[1] TRUE
> mongo.bson.buffer.append(buf, "city", "Toronto")
[1] TRUE
> mongo.bson.from.buffer(buf)
name : 3
first : 2   Jeff
last  : 2   Davis

city : 2   Toronto

```



## Exercise 2

- Connect to the **RStudio** Server:
  - ▶ <http://bigdata.comsysto.com:8787>
- Use **Rockmongo** to view content of mongodb:
  - ▶ <http://bigdata.comsysto.com/rockmongo>
  - ▶ User/pw : admin/admin
- Use **R** to connect and query MongoDB
  - ▶ In your home directory you can find a file "exercise2.R". Run all the commands.
  - ▶ **R** experts will find a small challenge at the end of the file.



# Outline

## 1 R

- www.r-project.org
- R vs. SAS vs. Julia
- R books
- Installation
- RStudio IDE
- R as calculator
- Packages: ggplot2 & shiny
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## 2 R and Databases

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- R and MongoDB
- rmongodb
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## 3 R and Hadoop

- Short MapReduce intro
- Package rmr2
- Package rhdfs
- RHadoop advanced
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# RHadoop

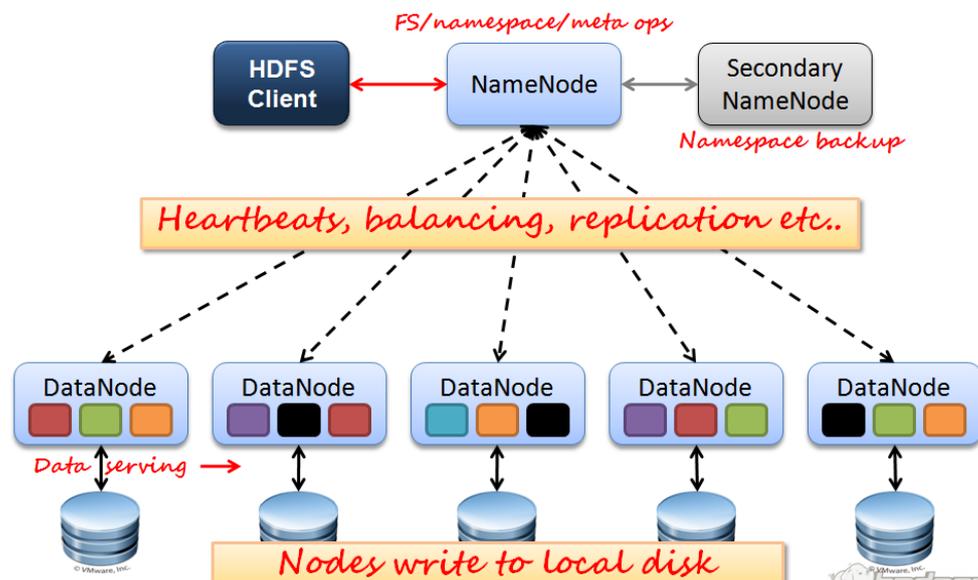
- an open source project sponsored by Revolution Analytics
- package overview:
  - ▶ **rmr2** hosts all MapReduce related functions
    - ★ uses Hadoop Streaming API
  - ▶ **rhdfs** for interaction with HDFS file system
  - ▶ **rhbase** connect with Hadoop's NoSQL database HBase
- installation is the biggest challenge
  - ▶ check web for installation guidelines
  - ▶ works with MapR and Cloudera Hadoop distribution
  - ▶ so far there is no AWS EMR support

<https://github.com/RevolutionAnalytics/RHadoop>



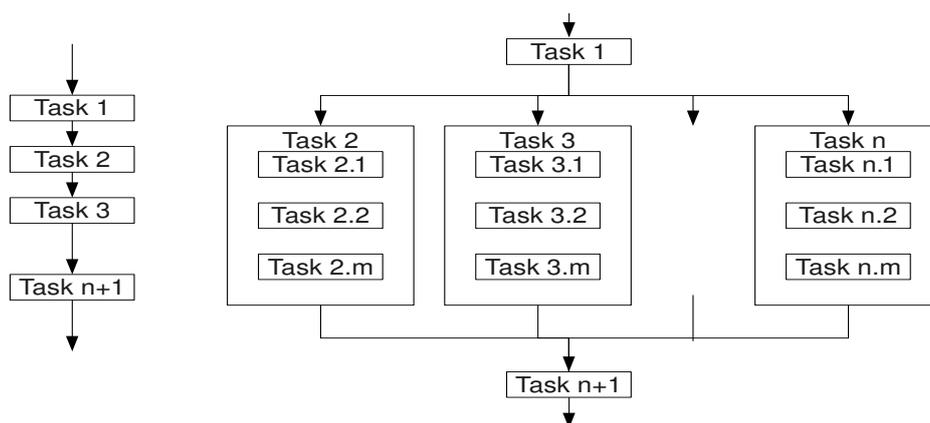
# HDFS and Hadoop cluster

- HDFS is a block-structured file system
  - ▶ blocks are stored across a cluster of one or more machines with data storage capacity: DataNode
  - ▶ data is accessed in a write once and read many model
- HDFS does come with its own utilities for file management
- HDFS file system stores its metadata reliably: NameNode



# Parallel Computing basics

- Serial and parallel tasks:



- Problem is broken into a **discrete series** of instructions and they are processed one after another.
- Problem is broken into discrete parts, that can be **solved concurrently**.

# Simple Parallel Computing with R

```
> x <- c(1,2,3,4,5)
> x
[1] 1 2 3 4 5
> unlist( lapply(x, function(y) y^2) )
[1] 1 4 9 16 25
> library(parallel)
> unlist( mclapply(x, function(y) y^2) )
[1] 1 4 9 16 25
```



## My first MapReduce Job

```
> library(rmr2)
> small.ints <- to.dfs(1:1000)
> out <- mapreduce(
+   input = small.ints,
+   map = function(k, v) cbind(v, v^2))
> df <- as.data.frame(from.dfs(out))
```

- **to.dfs** put the data into HDFS

- ▶ not possible to write out big data, not in a scalable way
- ▶ nonetheless very useful for a variety of uses like writing test cases, learning and debugging
- ▶ can put the data in a file of your own choosing
- ▶ if you don't specify one it will create temp files and clean them up when done
- ▶ return value is something we call a "big data object"
- ▶ it is a stub, that is the data is not in memory, only some information





## another MapReduce Job

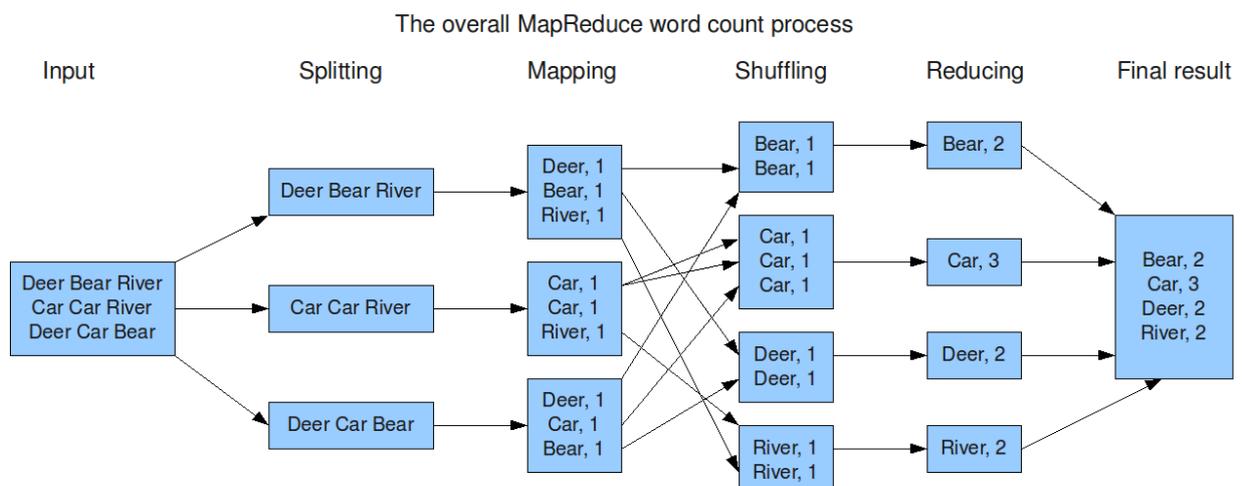
```
> groups <- rbinom(32, n = 50, prob = 0.4)
> groups[1:10]
[1] 9 16 11 13 12 15 9 14 14 14
> tapply(groups, groups, length)
7 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 19
1 8 3 4 5 7 12 3 5 2
```

- creates a sample from the binomial and counts how many times each outcome occurred

```
> groups = to.dfs(groups)
> from.dfs(
+   mapreduce(
+     input = groups,
+     map = function(., v) keyval(v, 1),
+     reduce =
+       function(k, vv)
+         keyval(k, length(vv))))
```



## Hadoop Hello World - Wordcount



```

> wc.map =
+   function(., lines) {
+     keyval(
+       unlist(
+         strsplit(
+           x = lines,
+           split = pattern)),
+       1)}
> wc.reduce =
+   function(word, counts ) {
+     keyval(word, sum(counts))}

```



```

> sourceFile <- "/etc/passwd"
> tempFile <- "/tmp/wordcount-test"
> file.copy(sourceFile, tempFile)
> pattern <- " +"
> out <- mapreduce(
+   input = tempFile ,
+   input.format = "text",
+   map = wc.map,
+   reduce = wc.reduce,
+   combine = T)
> res <- from.dfs(out)

```



## Hadoop environments variables

- all RHadoop packages has to access hadoop
- in Linux they need the correct environment variables
- in **R** you have to set them explicitly

```
> # Sys.setenv(HADOOP_HOME="/usr/lib/hadoop")
> Sys.setenv(HADOOP_CMD="/usr/bin/hadoop")
> Sys.setenv(HADOOP_STREAMING="/usr/lib/hadoop-0.20-mapreduce/cont
> library(rmr2)
> small.ints <- to.dfs(1:1000)
> out <- mapreduce(
+   input = small.ints,
+   map = function(k, v) cbind(v, v^2))
> df <- as.data.frame(from.dfs(out))
```



## Package **rhdfs**

- basic connectivity to the Hadoop Distributed File System
- can browse, read, write, and modify files stored in HDFS
- package has a dependency on **rJava**
- is dependent upon the HADOOP\_CMD environment variable

```
> Sys.setenv(HADOOP_CMD="/usr/bin/hadoop")
> library(rhdfs)
> hdfs.init()
> hdfs.ls()
> data <- 1:1000
> filename <- "my_smart_unique_name"
> file <- hdfs.file(filename, "w")
> hdfs.write(data, file)
> hdfs.close(file)
```



- **rmr2** the easiest, most productive, most elegant way to write map reduce jobs
- with **rmr2** one-two orders of magnitude less code than Java
- with **rmr2** readable, reusable, extensible map reduce
- with **rmr2** is a great prototyping, executable spec and research language
- **rmr2** is a way to work on big data sets in a way that is 'R-like'
- 'Simple things should be simple, complex things should be possible'



- **rmr2** is not Hadoop Streaming
  - ▶ it uses streaming
  - ▶ no support for every single option that streaming has
  - ▶ Streaming is accessible from **R** with no additional packages because **R** can execute an external program and **R** scripts can read stdin and stdout
- map reduce programs written in **rmr2** are not going to be the most efficient



- Hive, Impala you can access via **RODBC**
- Hive you can access with the **R** package **hive**
- Want to learn more? Check Revolution Webinars



## Exercise 3

- Connect to the **R**Studio Server:
  - ▶ `http://bigdata.comsysto.com:8787`
- Use **R** to run MapReduce jobs and explore HDFS
  - ▶ In your home directory you can find a file "exercise3.R". Run all the commands.
  - ▶ **R** experts will find a small challenge at the end of the file.



# Summary

- **R** is a powerful statistical tool to analyse many different kind of data: from small to big
- **R** can access databases
  - ▶ MongoDB and **rmongodb** support big data
- **R** can run Hadoop jobs
  - ▶ **rmr2** runs your MapReduce jobs
- **R** is open source and there is a lot of community driven development

<http://www.r-project.org/>



the tutorial did not cover ...

- parallel computing with **R** (Package **parallel**)
- big data in memory with **R** (Packages **bigmemory**, **bigmatrix**)
- visualizing big data with **R** (Packages **ggplot**, **lattice**, **bigvis**)
- the commercial **R** version: Revolution **R** Enterprise



## How to go on

- start playing around with **R** and Big Data
- get part of the community: <http://www.r-bloggers.com>,  
<http://hadoop.comsysto.com>
- interested in more **R** courses hosted by comSysto GmbH?
  - ▶ two day **R** beginners training (October 2013)
  - ▶ one day **R** Data Handling and Graphics (**plyr**, **ggplot**, **shiny**, ...) (November 2013)
  - ▶ one day **R** Big Data Analyses (November 2013)
  - ▶ registration: [office@comsysto.com](mailto:office@comsysto.com)



## Goodbye

- thanks a lot for your attention
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