



COSMO HUB on Hadoop

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A web portal to analyze and
distribute cosmological data

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Outlook

- What is CosmoHub
- Motivation
- Drawbacks
- Hadoop solution
- Comparison
- Demo
- Conclusions & future work



Build your own Universe

Real-time data analysis of massive cosmological data without any SQL knowledge



Hundreds of millions
of observed and
simulated galaxies



Superfast queries
means superfast
results



Features to make
you work faster and
easier



Online plotting
preview and data
download

CosmoHub on PostgreSQL

- CosmoHub was first thought as a way to share data within two closed related projects, the Physics of the Accelerating Universe (PAU) and the Marenostrum Institut de Ciències de l'Espai simulations (MICE)
- It was built on top of a PostgreSQL relational database
- It was developed by people from the Institut de Ciències de l'Espai (ICE), the Port d'Informació Científica (PIC - www.pic.es), CIEMAT and IFAE
- It was hosted and operated at PIC

Old platform main features

- Custom catalogs without any SQL knowledge (CSV.BZ2 only)
- Plot & preview tool: small sample of data using a scatter plot or generate a 1D-histogram (**query time limited to < 2'**)
- Value-Added-Data ready to be downloaded

Some numbers

- CosmoHub is currently supporting four different cosmology projects:



Marenostrum Institut
de Ciències de l'Espai
Simulations



DARK ENERGY
SURVEY



- ~ 400 users
- ~ 1300 custom catalogs
- ~ 250 prebuilt downloads
- ~ 3 TiB hosted data
- > 10^9 objects

What happened?

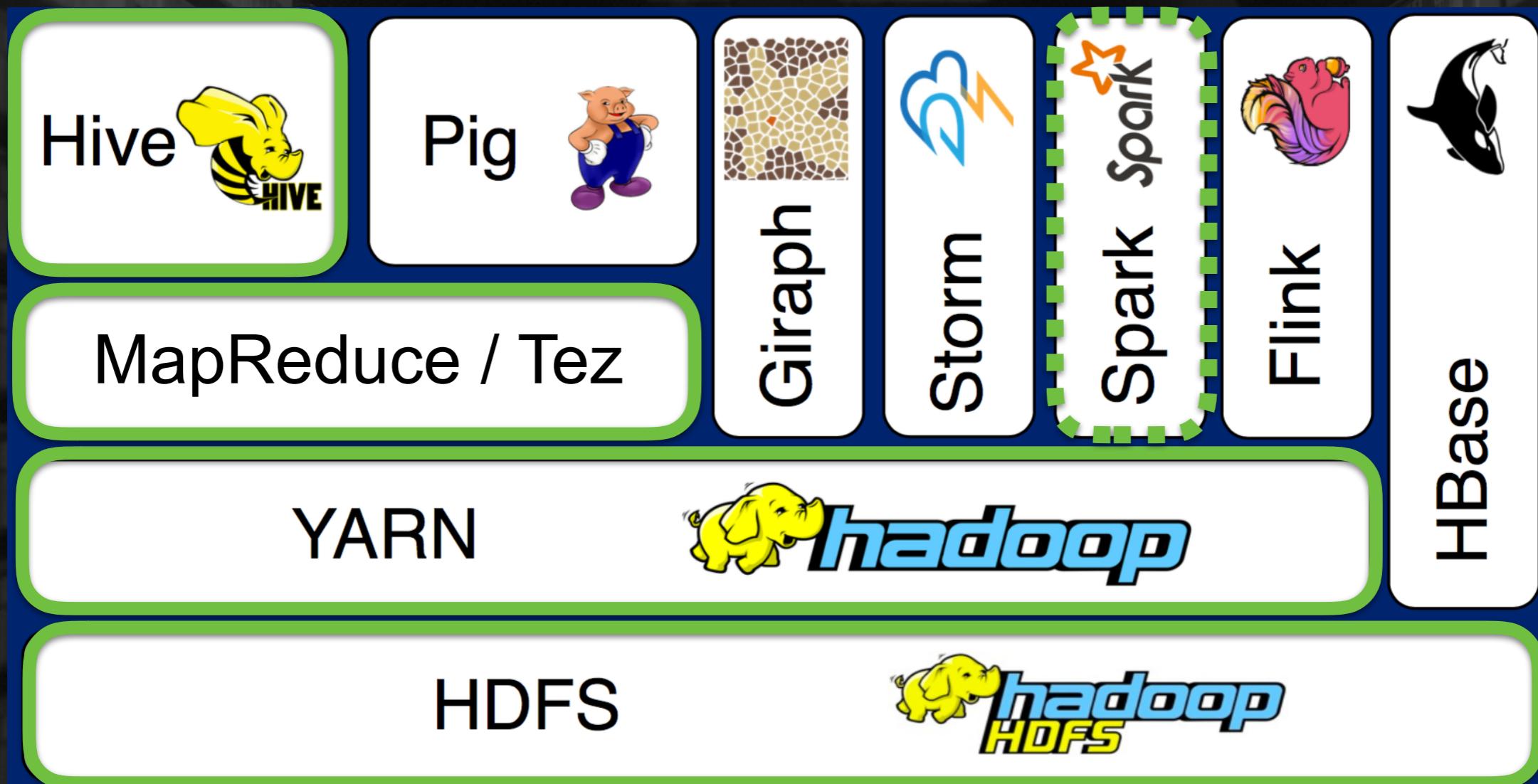
- MICECATv2.0 catalog contains about 500M entries with more than 120 fields
- Managing large volume of data in PostgreSQL had some drawbacks:
 - Indices are not used for large datasets
 - Most of the queries lasted several hours
 - Changing the schema was very slow
 - Removing large subsets of data is very inefficient
- Future galaxy catalogs will contain a few 10^9 entries

Apache Hadoop & Hive

- Apache Hadoop:
 - one of the most popular Big Data platform
 - open-source software
 - based on commodity computer clusters
 - distributed storage and distributed processing
 - scalable from dozens up to even thousands of nodes
 - failure tolerance
- Apache Hive: query over massive data volumes



Hadoop stack



PostgreSQL vs Hadoop

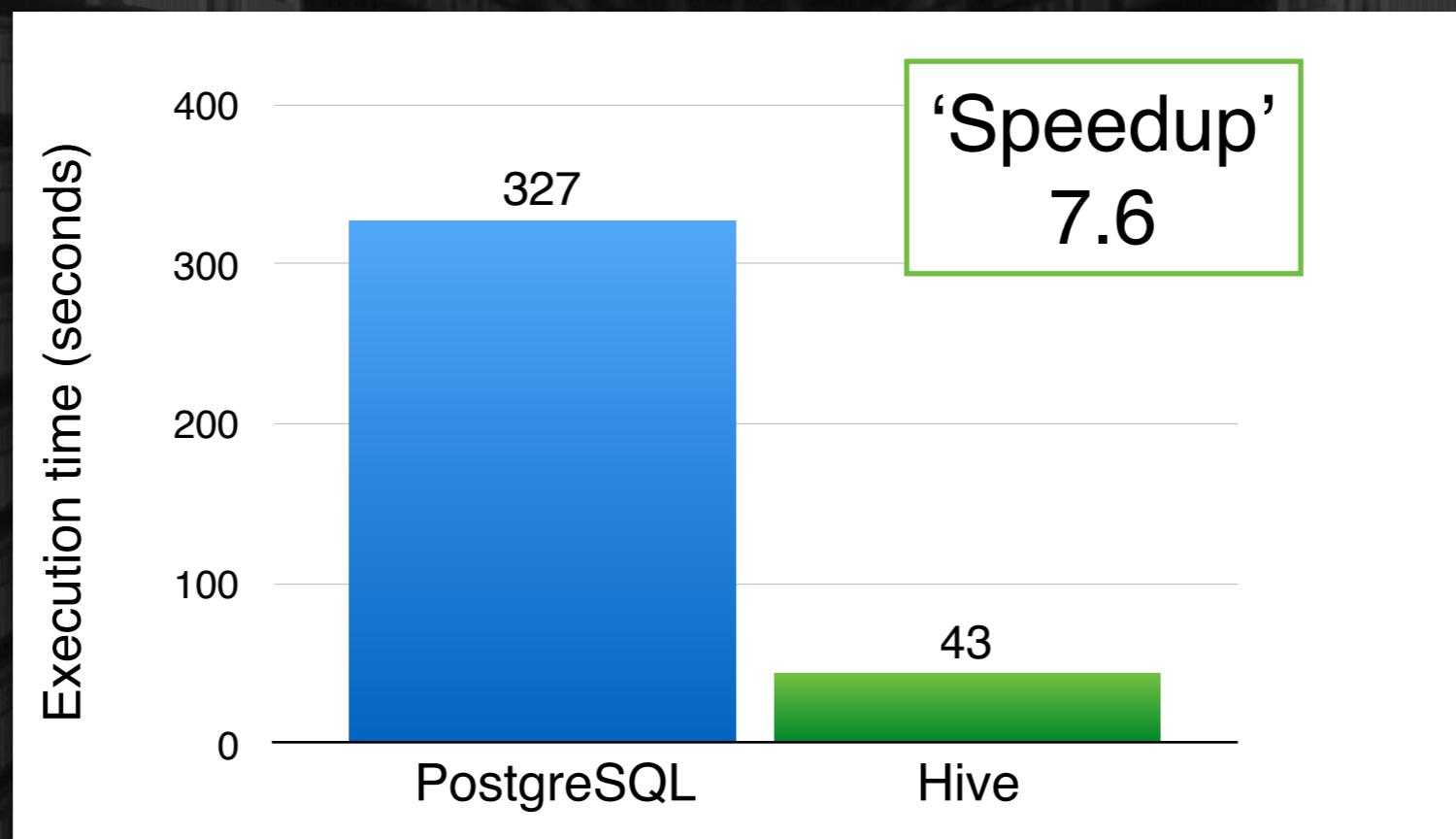
- Larger relative gain in execution time for increasing complexity in datasets and/or as queries request larger data volumes

(Comparisons are odious. It is very likely to unjust to one or other of them)

- | Hadoop | PostgreSQL |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nodes: 15 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cores: 12 (Intel Xeon X5650 @ 2.67 GHz) [180] - RAM: 24 GiB [360 GiB] - DISK: 1 TiB [15 TiB raw; ~5 TiB net] - Network: 1GbE | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hardware: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cores: 24 (Intel Xeon X5675 @ 3.07 GHz) - RAM: 96 GiB - DISK: 600 GB HDD x 8 (in RAID 6) ~ 3.6 TB net - Network 1GbE • Software: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Scientific Linux 6.1 - PostgreSQL 9.1 |

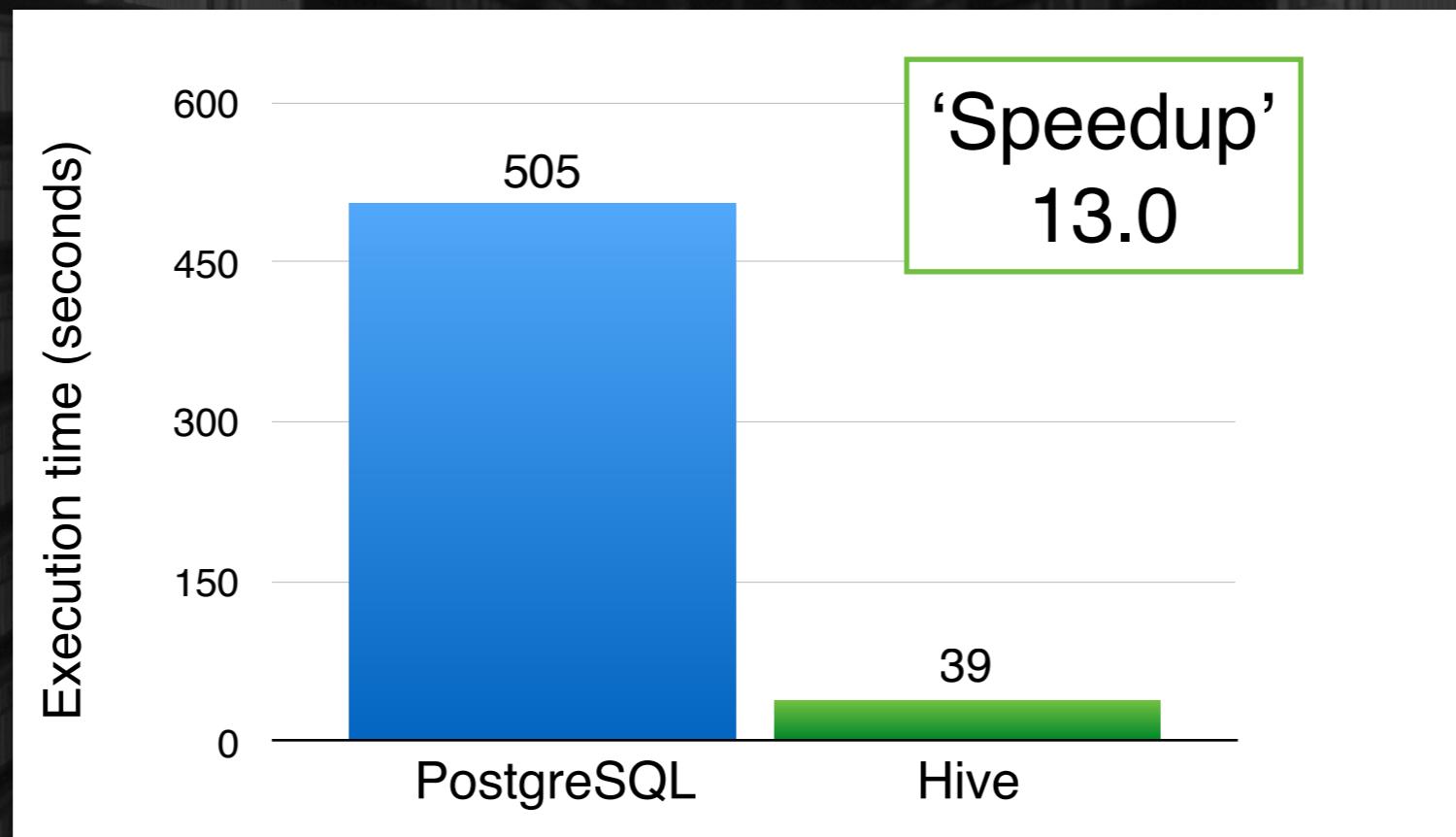
PostgreSQL vs Hadoop

```
SELECT ra, dec, z, z_v, x_c, y_c, z_c FROM  
micecatv1 WHERE x_c < 700 AND y_c < 700 AND  
z_c < 700; (~5.8M out of ~205M rows)
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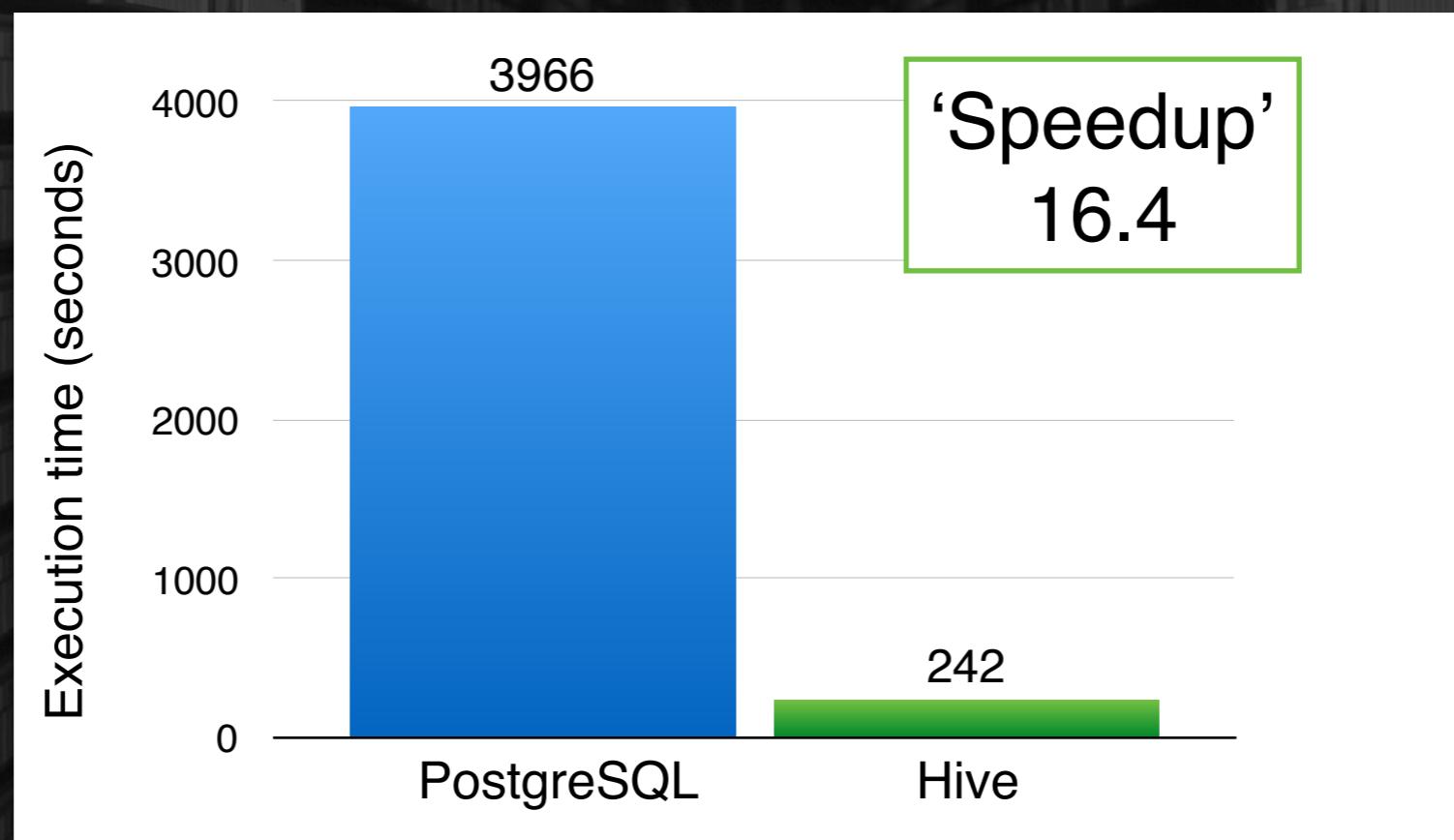
PostgreSQL vs Hadoop

`SELECT x_c, y_c, z_c FROM micecatv1 WHERE x_c < 1e3 AND y_c < 1e3 AND z_c < 1e3; (~16.5M out of ~205M rows)`



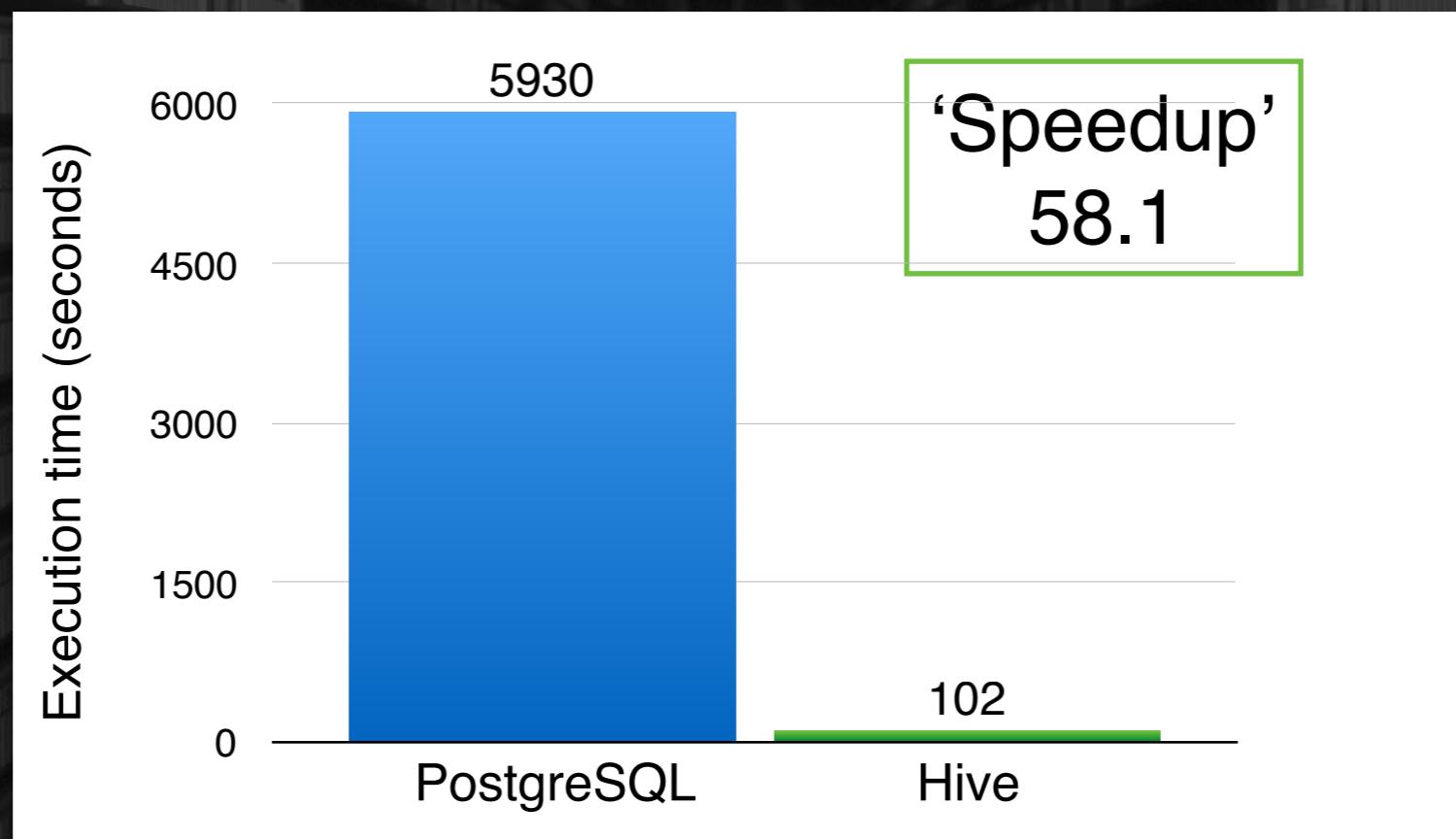
PostgreSQL vs Hadoop

```
SELECT coadd_objects_id, ra, dec, mag_auto_i,  
magerr_auto_i desdm_zp, mean_z_bpz, z_mc_bpz  
FROM des_y1a1 WHERE modest_class = 1 AND  
flags_gold = 0 AND flags_badregion = 0;  
(~81.9M out of ~137M rows)
```



PostgreSQL vs Hadoop

```
SELECT ra_gal, dec_gal, kappa, gamma1, gamma2  
FROM micecatv2 WHERE lmhalo >= 12.16 AND  
flag_central = 0 AND z_cgall > 0.4 AND z_cgall  
< 0.6; (~25.9M out of ~500M rows)
```



PostgreSQL vs Hadoop

```
SELECT coadd_objects_id, ra, dec, mag_auto_g,  
mag_auto_r, mag_auto_i, mag_auto_z,  
mean_z_bpz, mode_z_bpz, median_z_bpz,  
z_mc_bpz, t_b, spread_model_i,  
spreaderr_model_i, modest_class FROM des_y1al  
WHERE mag_auto_i > 17.5 AND mag_auto_i < 22  
AND (flags_badregion <= 3 and flags_gold = 0)  
AND ((mag_auto_g - mag_auto_r) BETWEEN -1.  
and 3.) AND ((mag_auto_r - mag_auto_i)  
BETWEEN -1. and 2.5) AND ((mag_auto_i -  
mag_auto_z) BETWEEN -1. and 2.) AND (ra < 15  
or ra > 290 or dec < -35); (~34.8M out of  
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PostgreSQL vs Hadoop

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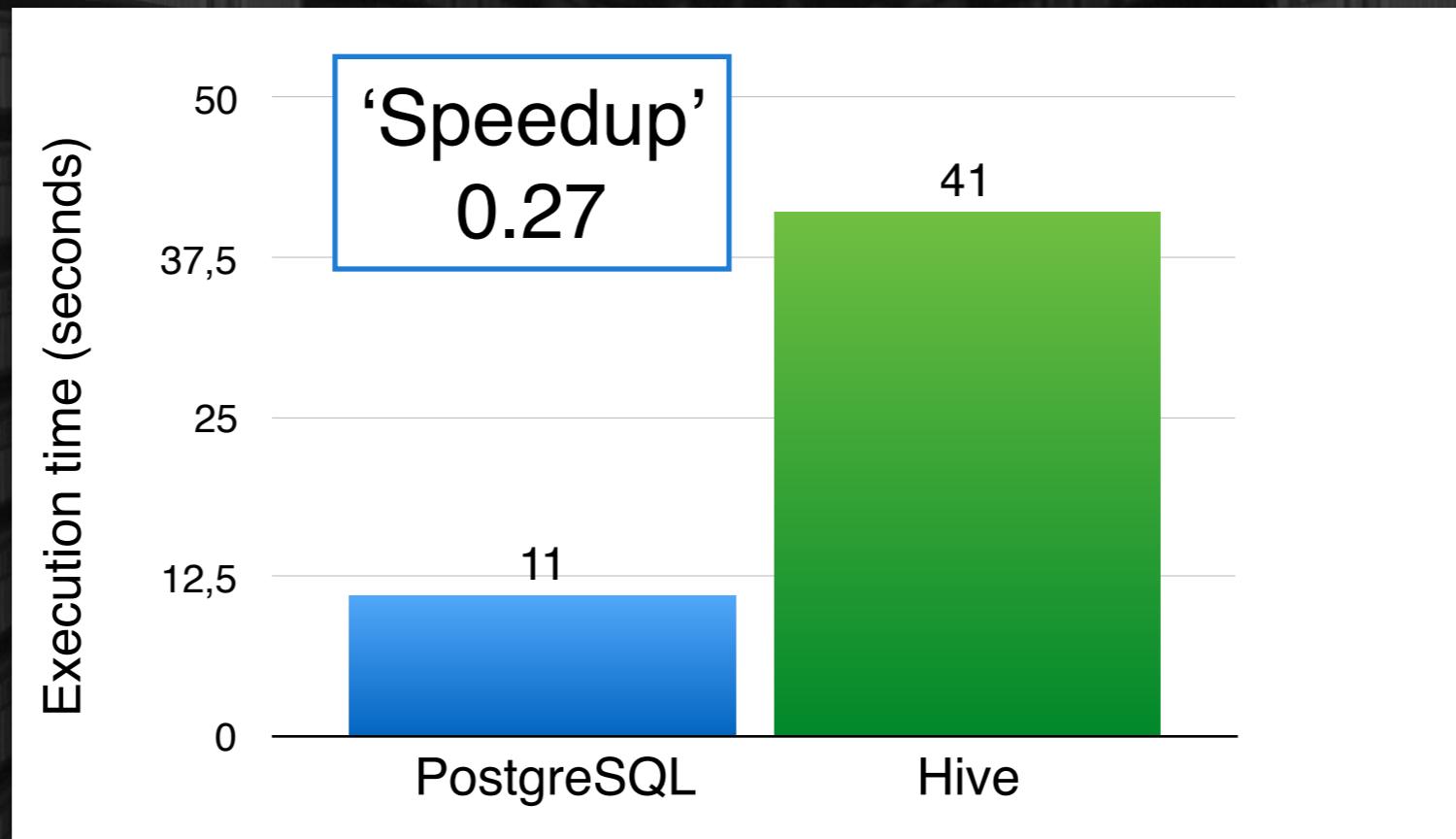
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153
'Speedup'
100.0

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System	Execution time (seconds)
PostgreSQL	15240
Hive	153

PostgreSQL vs Hadoop

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SELECT z, log_m FROM micecatv1 WHERE z < .25  
AND z > .23 AND ra < 20 AND dec < 20; (~52K  
out of ~205M rows)
```



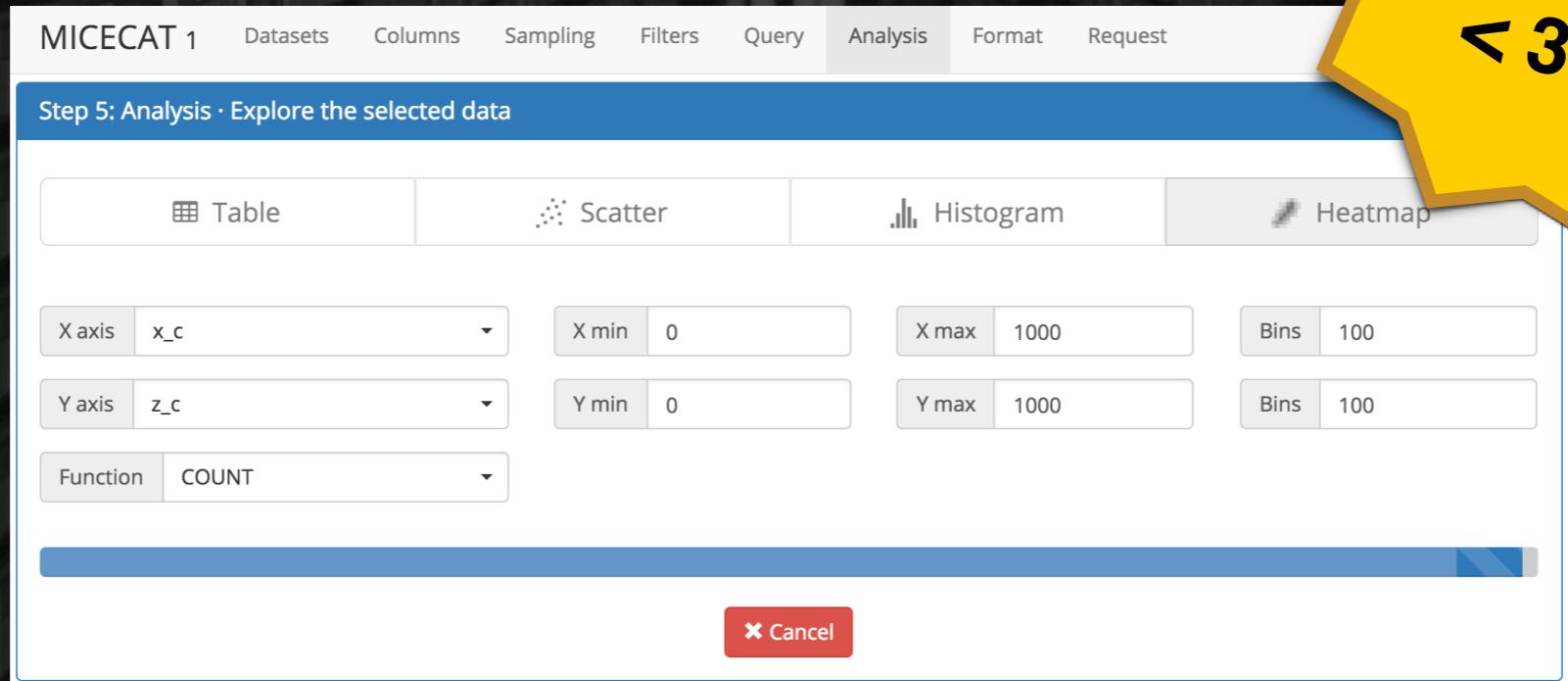
Properly using indices and a very small amount of data requested!

CosmoHub on Hadoop

- CosmoHub is a portal for interactive analysis and distribution of massive cosmology data without any SQL knowledge
- It is built on top of Hadoop and uses the Apache Hive infrastructure
- It is fully developed, hosted and operated at PIC

New features

- Interactive analysis (no time constraint)
- Sampling: select a random subset of the catalog to get faster results when exploring the data
- Heatmap plot
- 2 more file formats to download the selected data: FITS and ASDF



MICECAT 1 Datasets Columns Sampling Filters Query Analysis Format Request

Step 5: Analysis · Explore the selected data

Table Scatter Histogram Heatmap

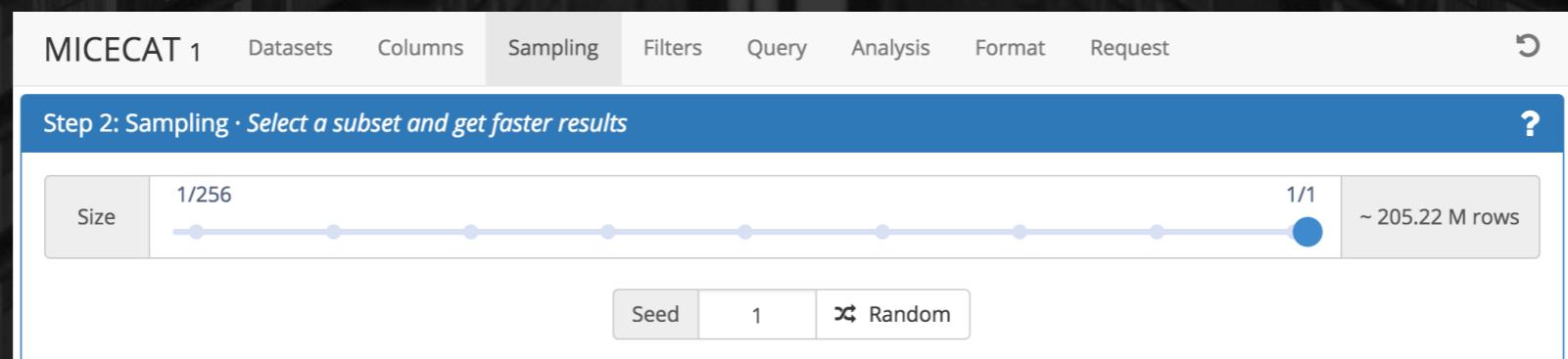
X axis: x_c X min: 0 X max: 1000 Bins: 100
Y axis: z_c Y min: 0 Y max: 1000 Bins: 100
Function: COUNT

500M < 35''

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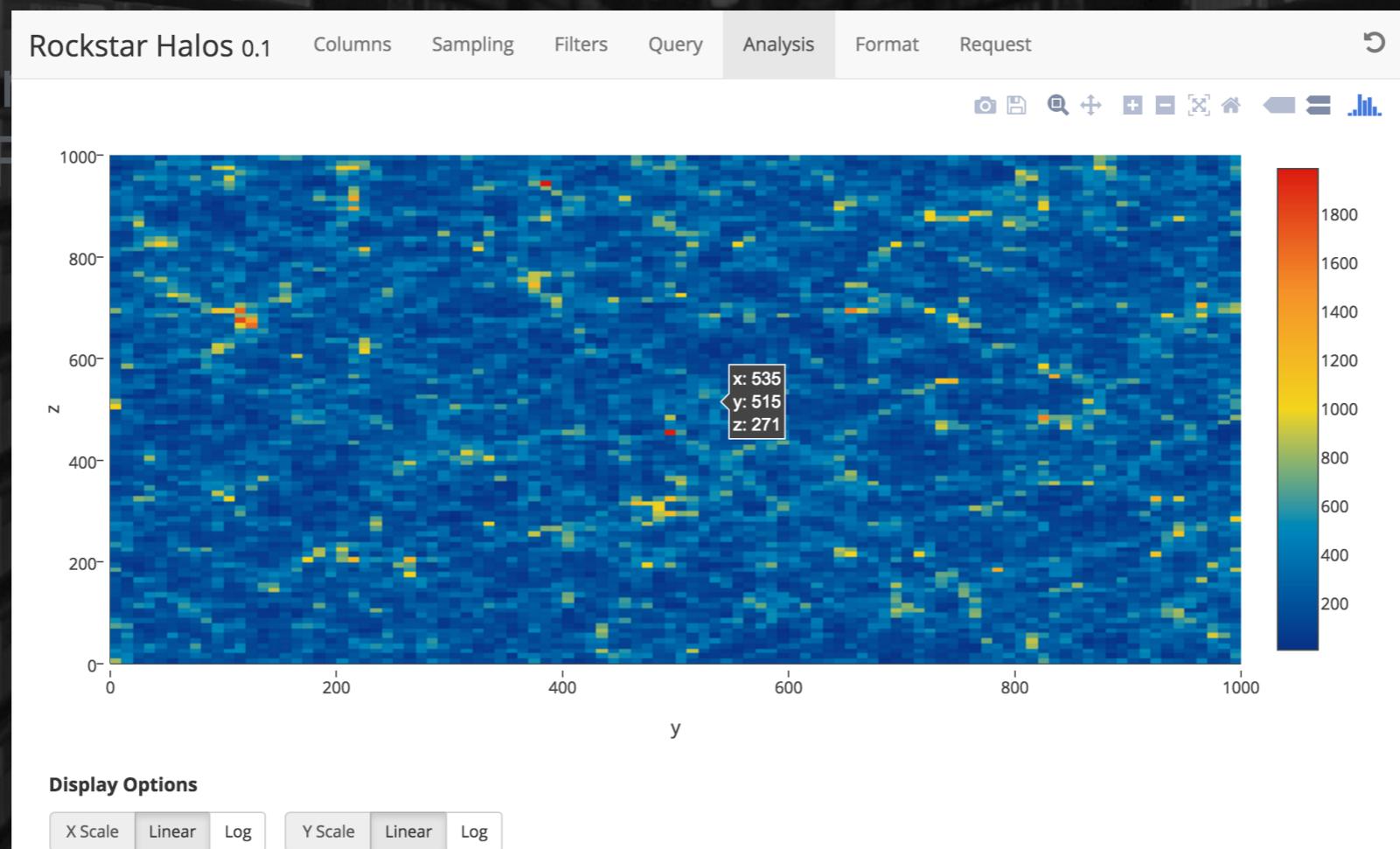
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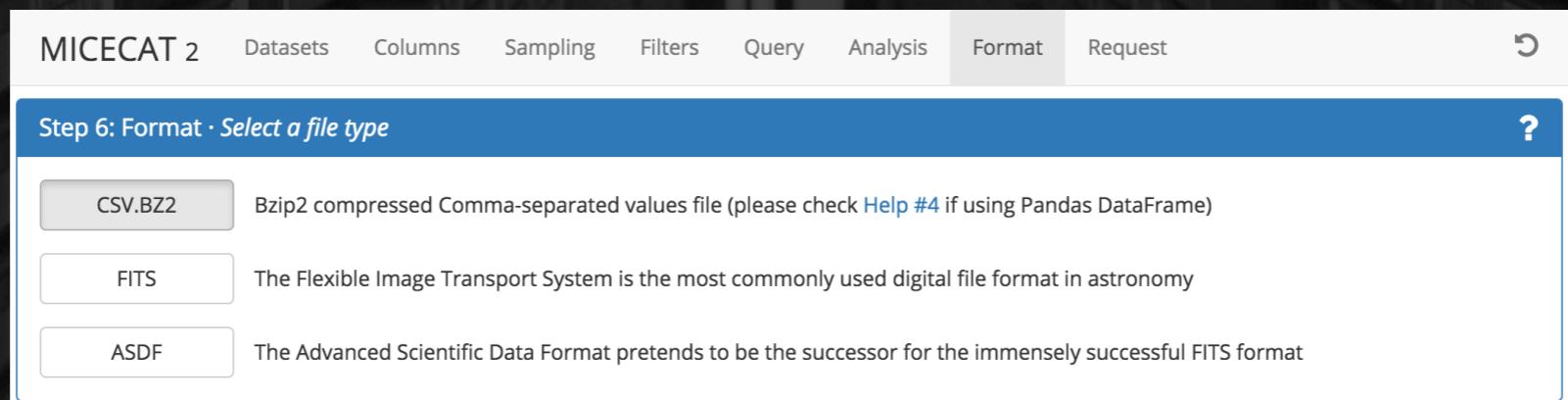
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MICECAT 2 Datasets Columns Sampling Filters Query Analysis Format Request

Step 6: Format · Select a file type

CSV.BZ2 Bzip2 compressed Comma-separated values file (please check [Help #4](#) if using Pandas DataFrame)

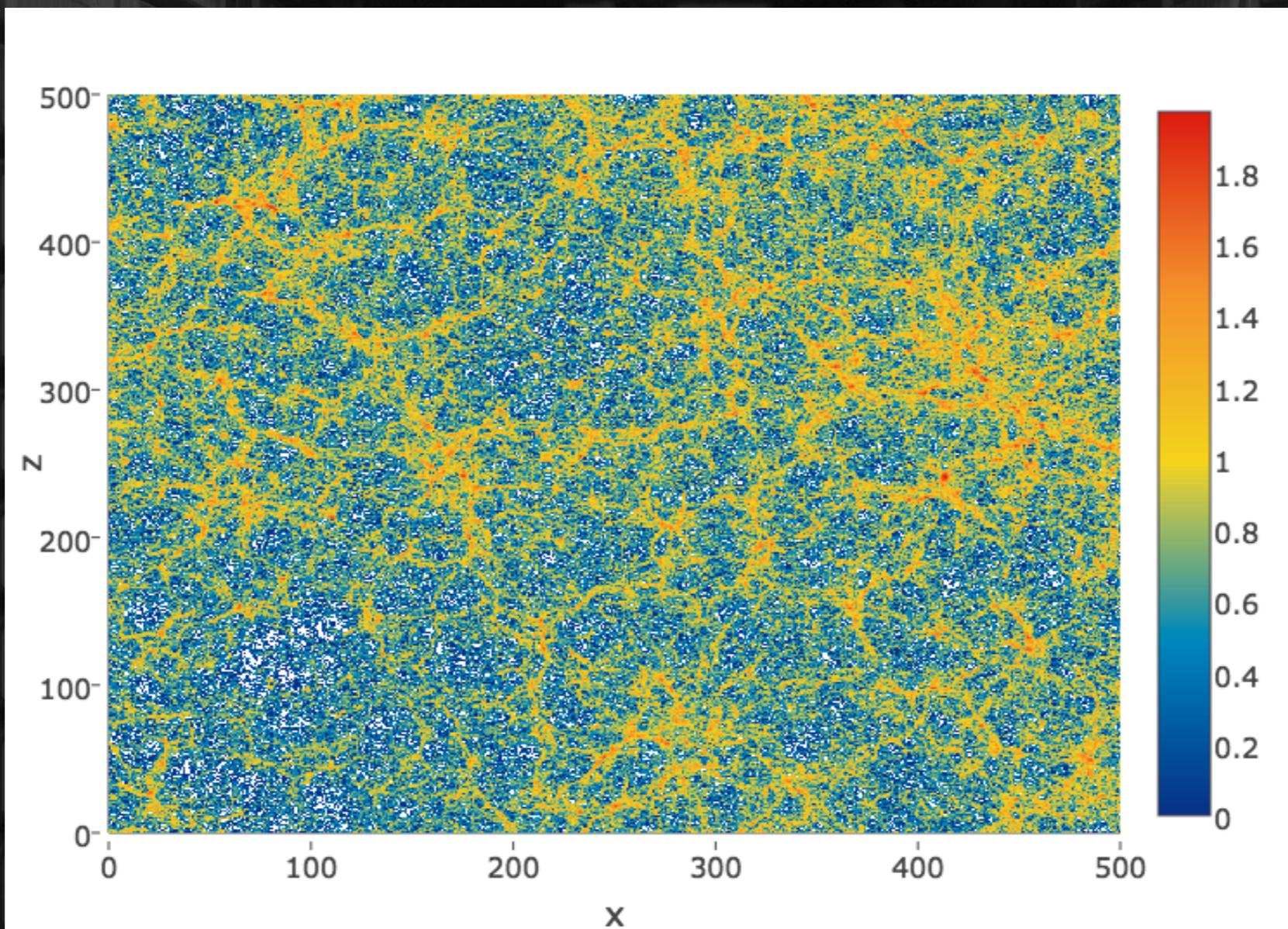
FITS The Flexible Image Transport System is the most commonly used digital file format in astronomy

ASDF The Advanced Scientific Data Format pretends to be the successor for the immensely successful FITS format

Demo

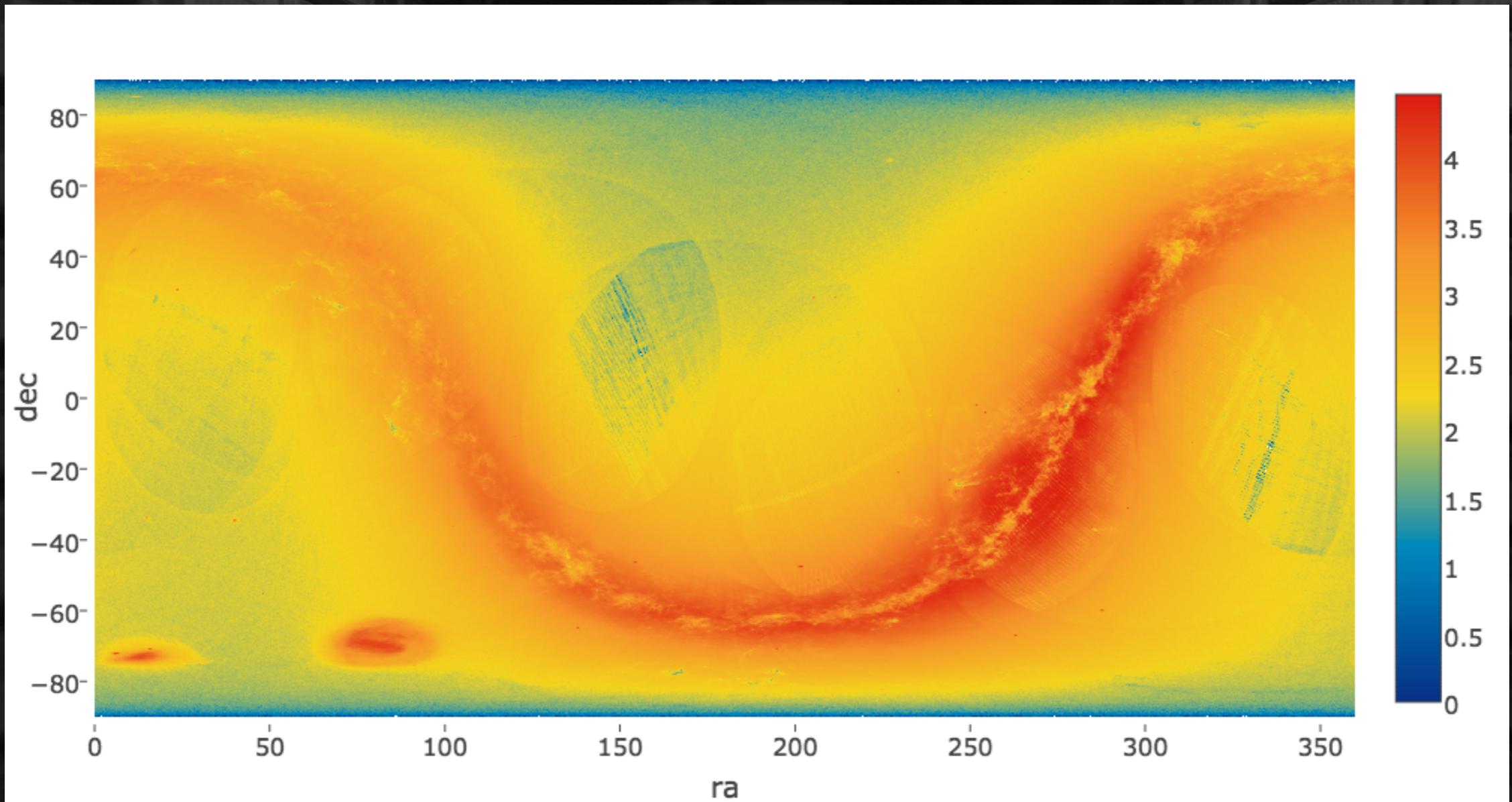
Demo

Euclid Flagship dark matter halo catalog: $\sim 5.5 \times 10^9$
500x50x500 Mpc/h section
1000x1000 bins in $\sim 4'$



Demo

Full Gaia catalog: $\sim 1.1 \times 10^9$
ra, dec distribution
1000x1000 bins in $\sim 4'$



Conclusions & future work

- Great improvement in response time
- New release is more reliable
- Still exploring the vast Hadoop ecosystem

Conclusions

- New plot types and analysis
- Collaboration with more experiments
 - More data, more catalogs, more users
- Other use cases (other than Cosmology)

Future work

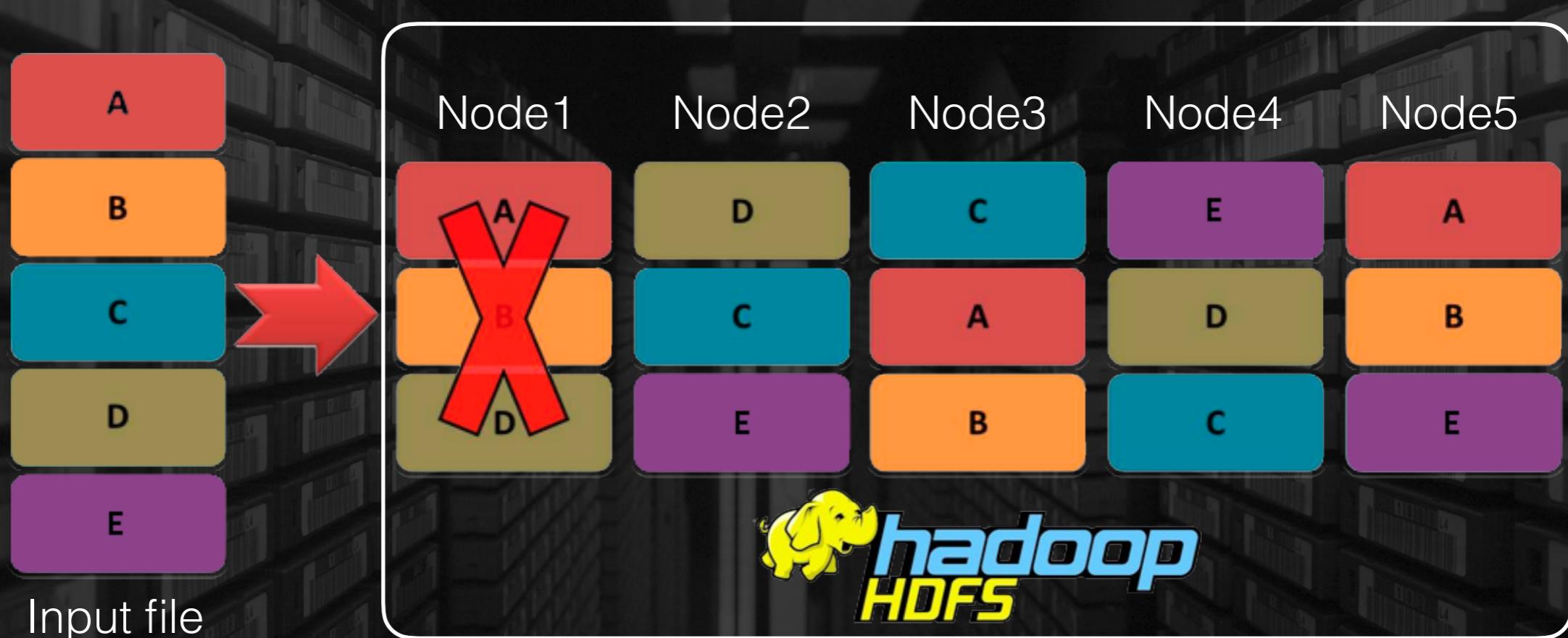


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Backup slides

Hadoop basics



Hive tuning

- We have set the platform so that queries over large tables are really fast:
 - Apache Tez execution engine instead of the venerable Map-reduce engine
 - ORCfile: a new table (column based) storage format
 - Vectorized query technique: batches of 1024 rows at once



Load balancing

- Set up two different queues given the two different profiles:
 - ‘Interactive’: real-time analysis (low latency)
 - ‘Batch’: custom catalogs (high latency)
- Configure queue shares and preemption:
 - batch jobs take idle resources to maximize efficiency (10-90)
 - interactive jobs can take resources from batch queue (90-100)

Backend

- ReST API powered by Flask:
 - flask-restful - ReST framework
 - sqlalchemy - database ORM
 - websockets - bidirectional communications
 - gevent - asynchronous framework
 - pyhive - hive connection library
 - pyhdfs - hdfs bindings



Frontend

- Responsive Web interface powered by:
 - Angular JS - web app oriented HTML framework
 - Bootstrap - responsive frontend framework
 - Plot.ly for plotting
 - Wordpress as backend to edit "static" content



Demo

CosmoHub YouTube channel