

(Hadoop) MapReduce

DS 5110: Big Data Systems

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Lecture 7b

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HDFS demo...

Announcement

- Assignment 2 is out
 - Due on Thursday, March 6

Learning objectives

- Describe the role mappers and reducers have in MapReduce jobs
- Understand how MapReduce interacts with HDFS (GFS)

MapReduce

Today

(Hadoop)
MapReduce

BigTable (HBase)

GFS (HDFS)

Worker
machine

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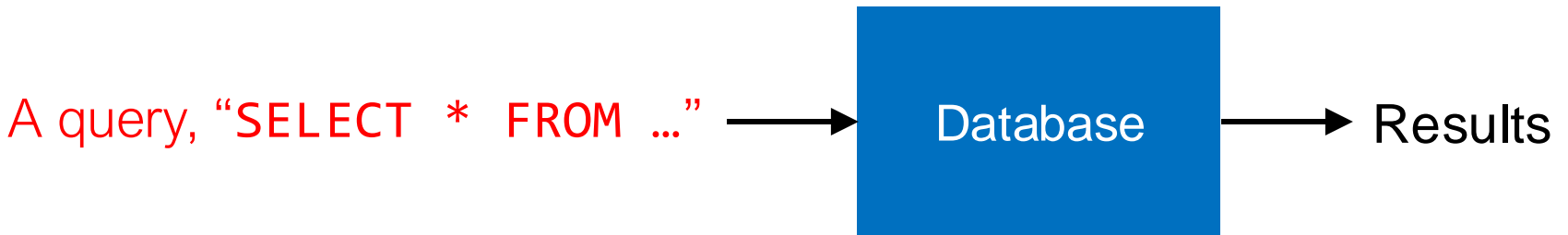
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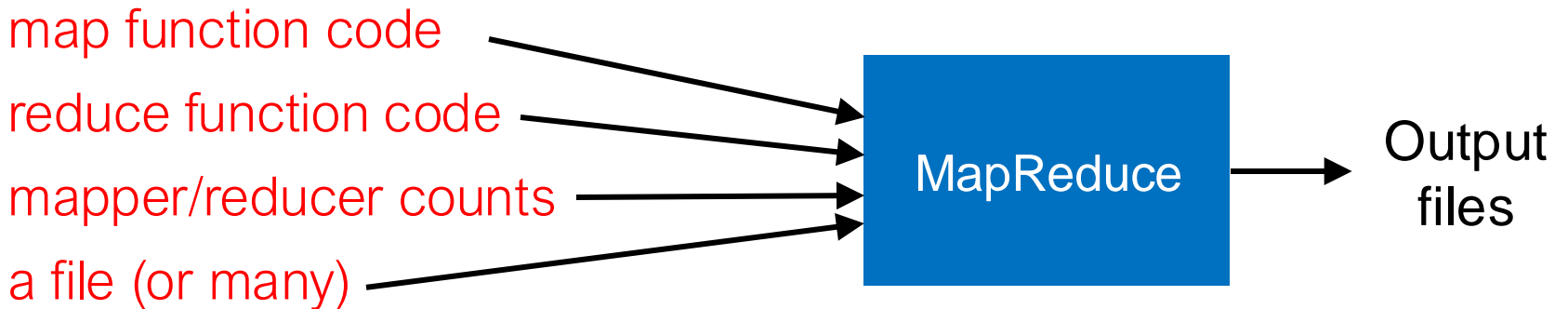


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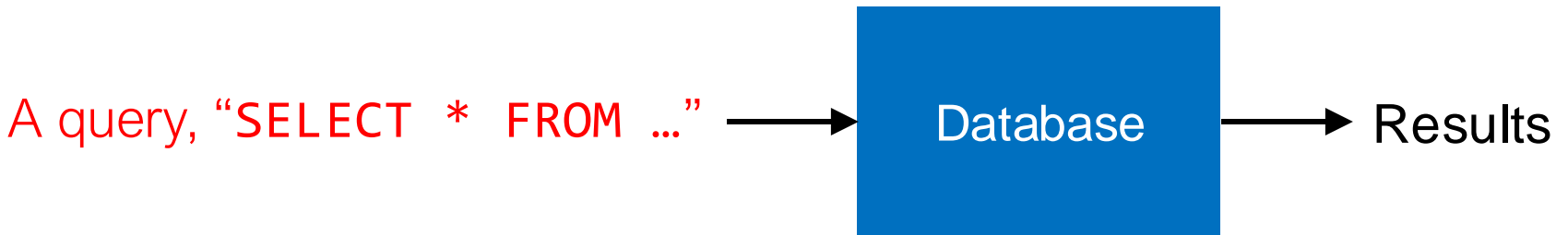


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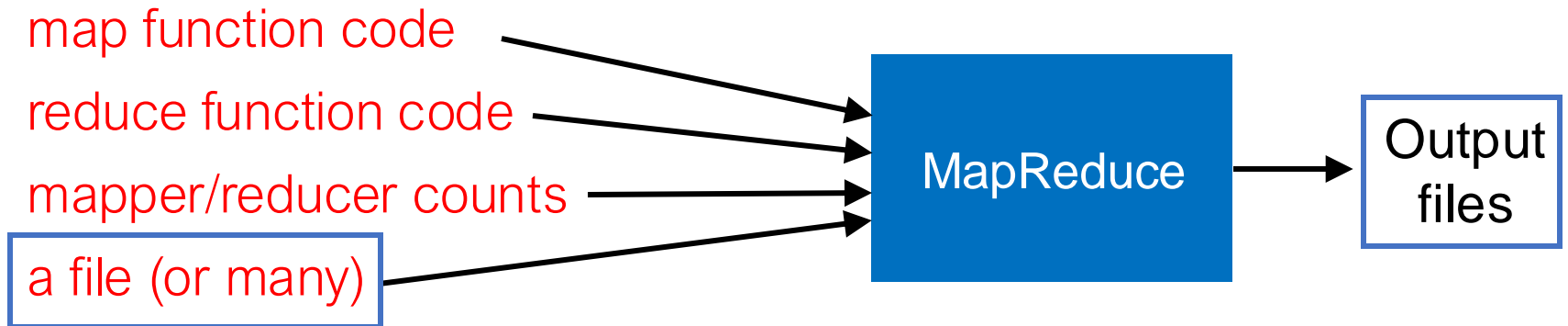


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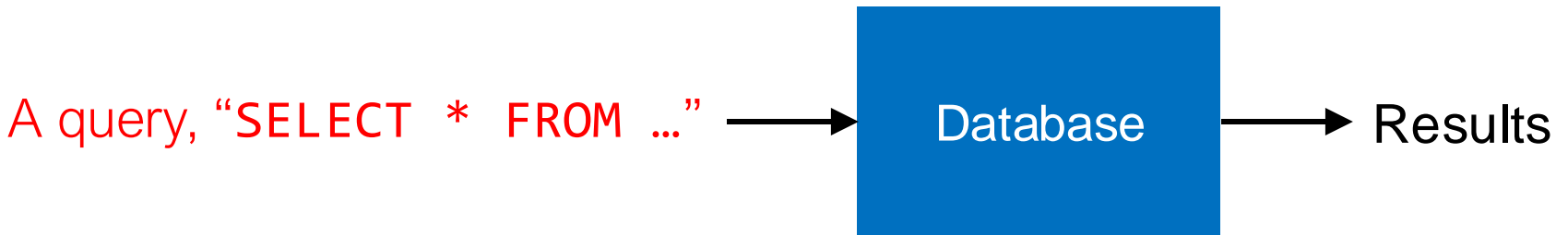
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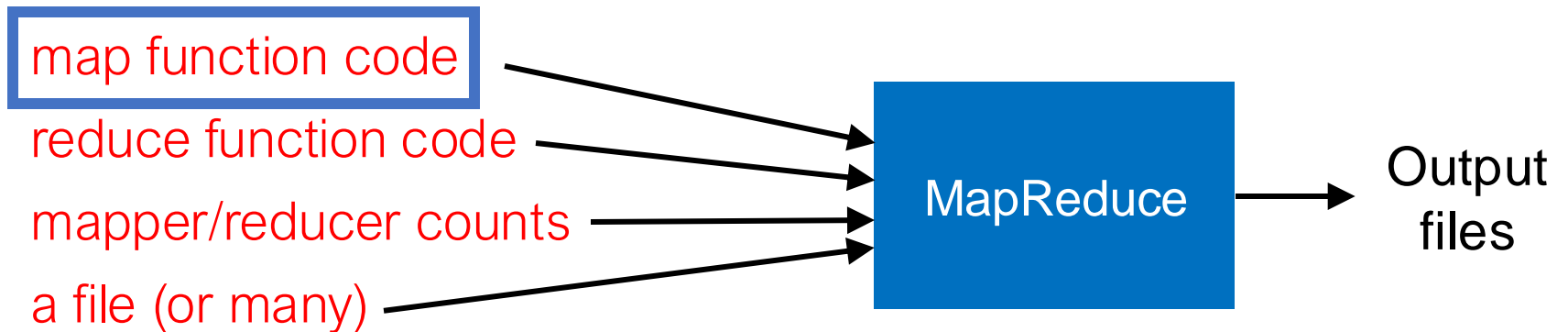
Input/output files are generally stored in HDFS

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MapReduce



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input.csv (in HDFS)

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    ...
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In SQL:

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SELECT color FROM table WHERE shape = "square"
```

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3	green

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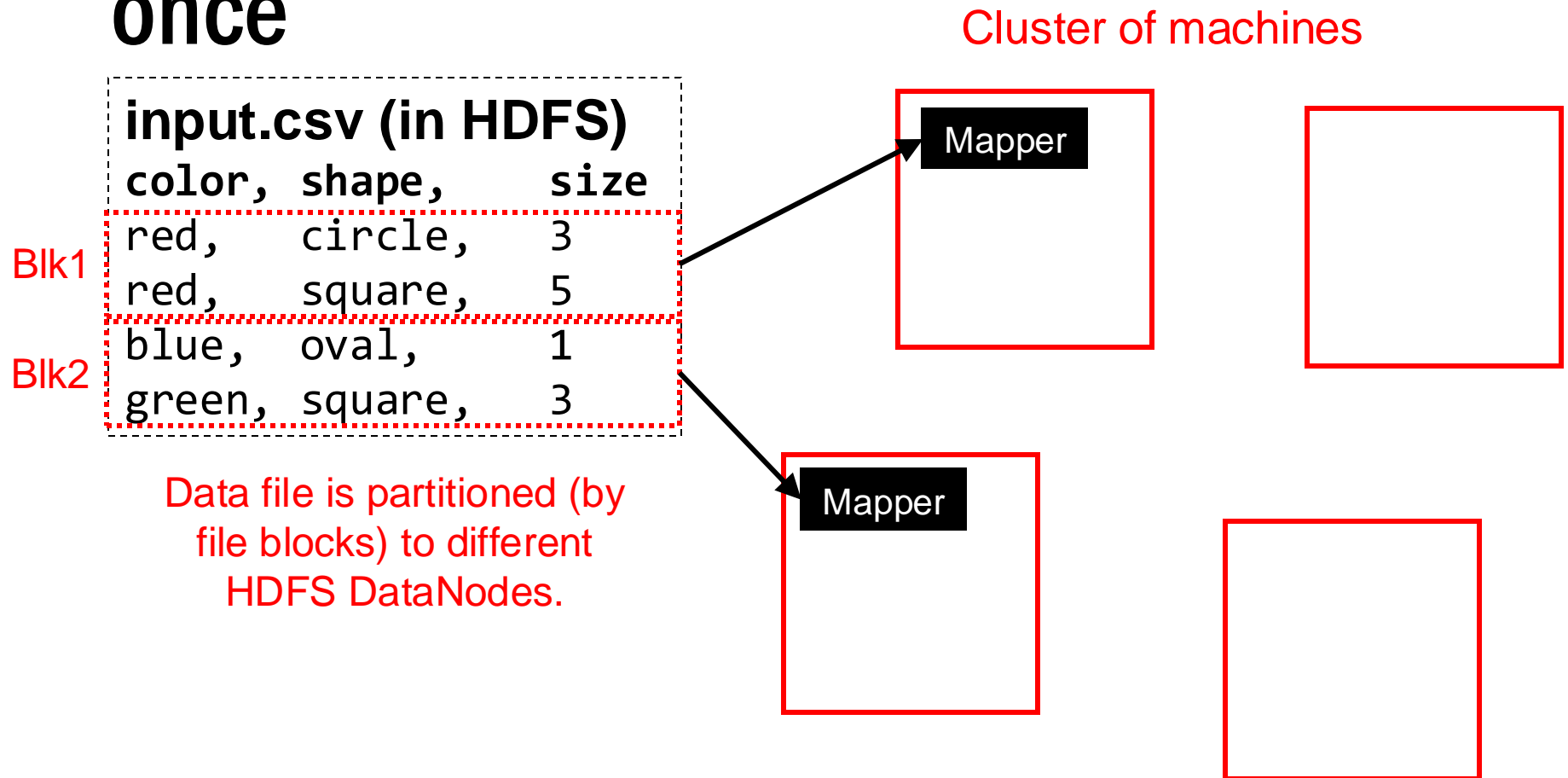
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What if the data is huge?

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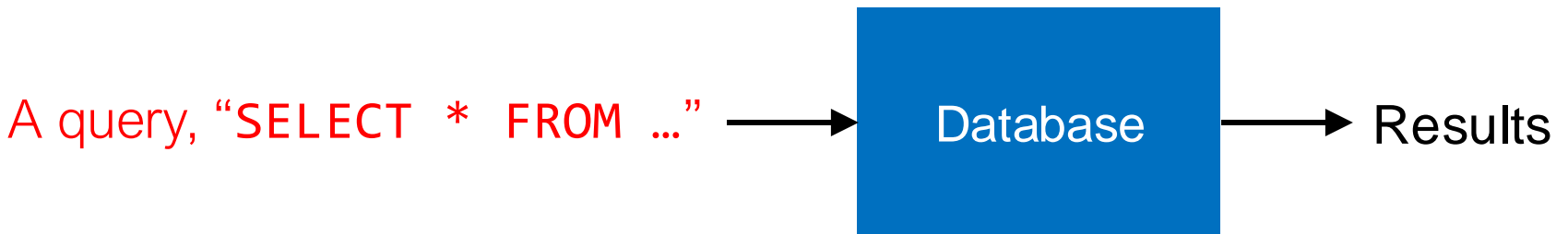
key value
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Mappers run on multiple machines at once

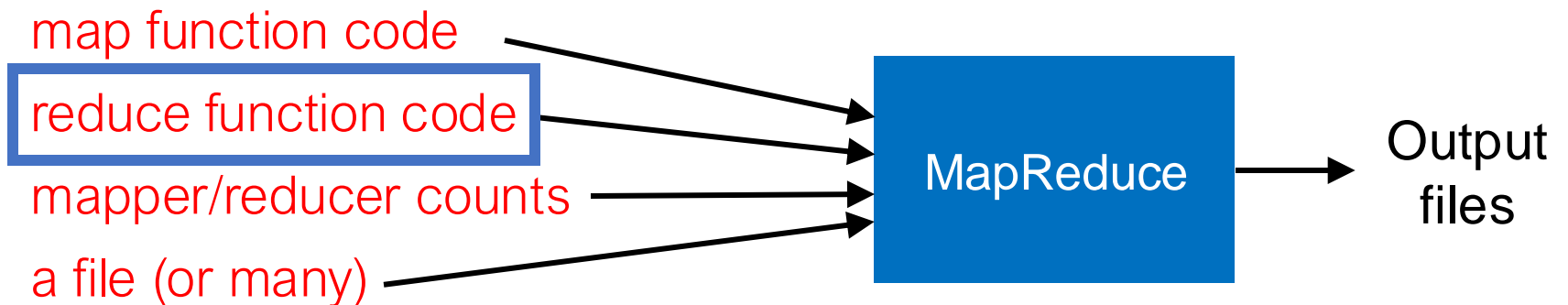


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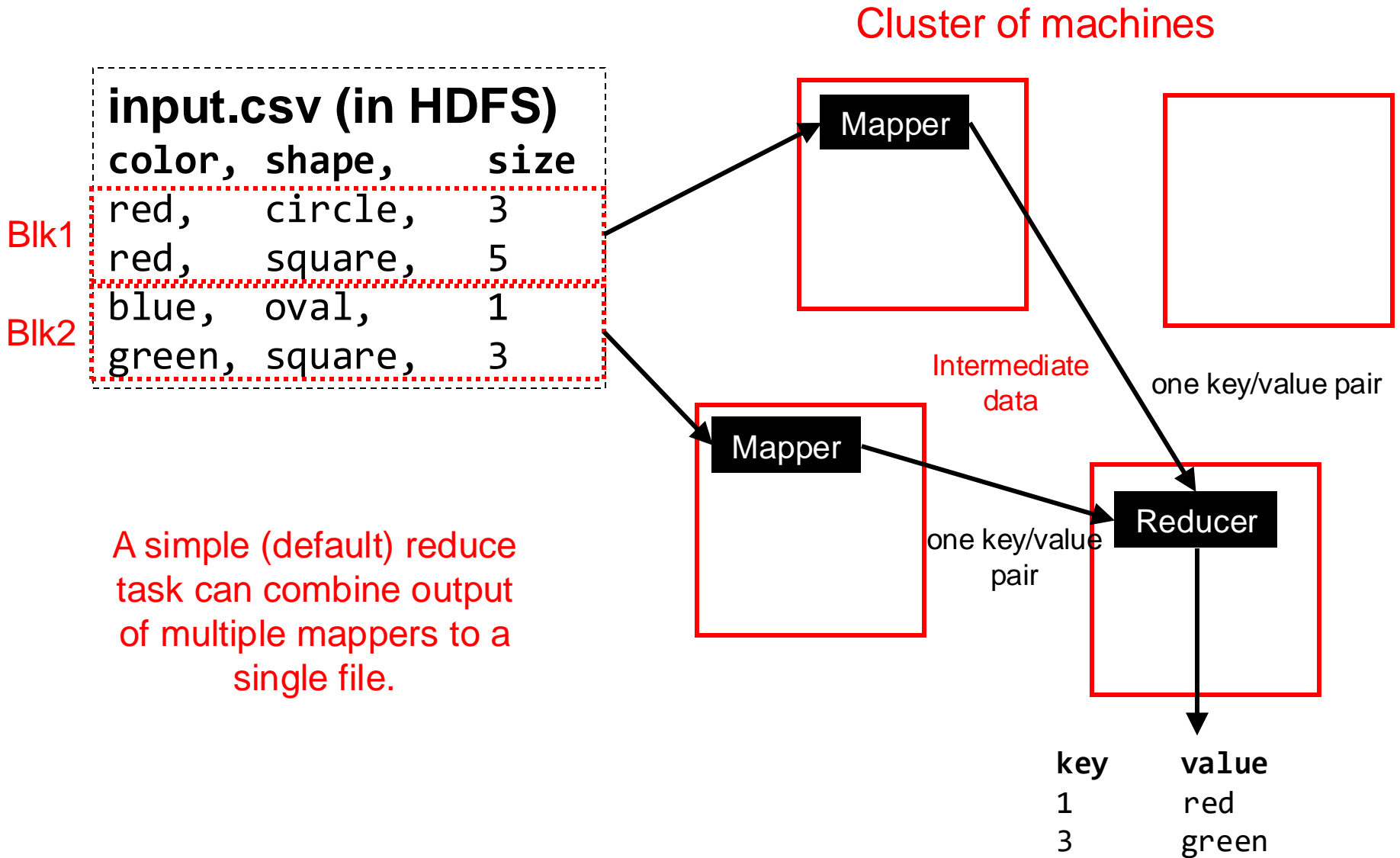
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MapReduce



Reducers



A simple (default) reduce task can combine output of multiple mappers to a single file.

Reducers

Reducers can output exactly their input,
OR have further computation.

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def reduce(key, values):  
    for row in values:  
        emit(key, row)
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    count = 0  
    for row in values:  
        count = count + 1  
    emit(key, count)
```

Intermediate data is **grouped**
and **sorted** by key.

Reduce will be called 3 times (once
for each group). The call could
happen in one reduce task (or be
split over many).

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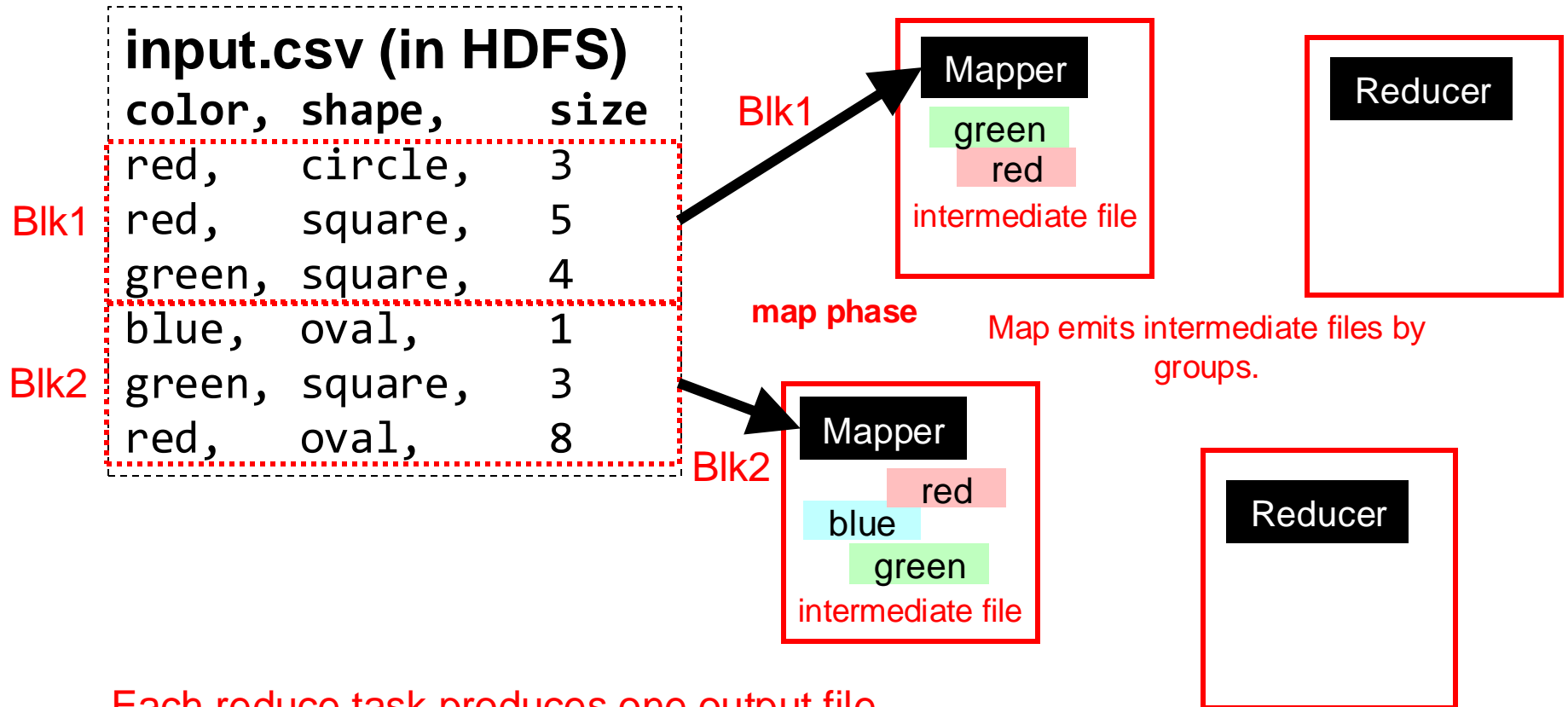
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key	value
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red	2

Multiple reducers (for big intermediate data)

Cluster of machines

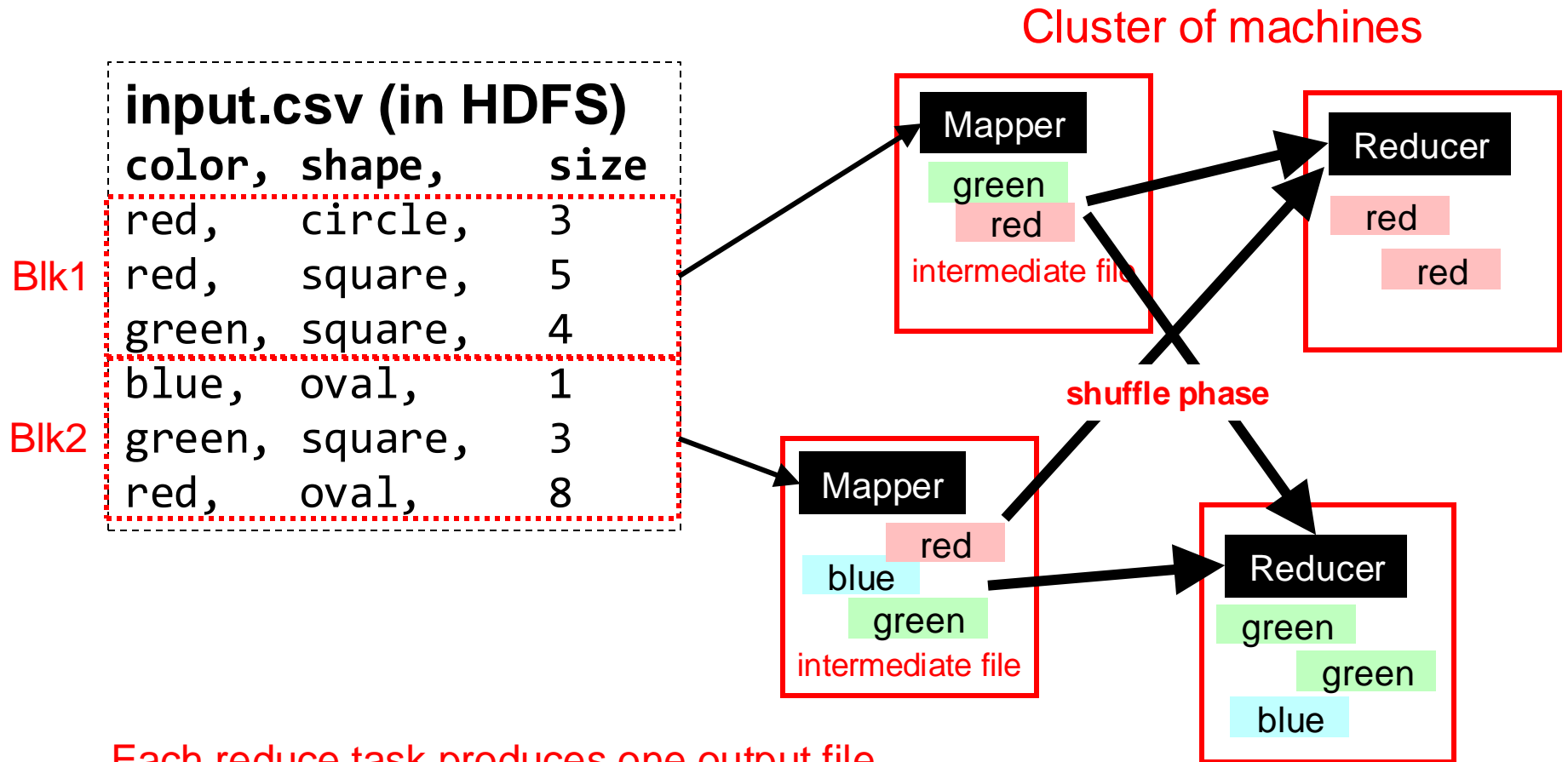


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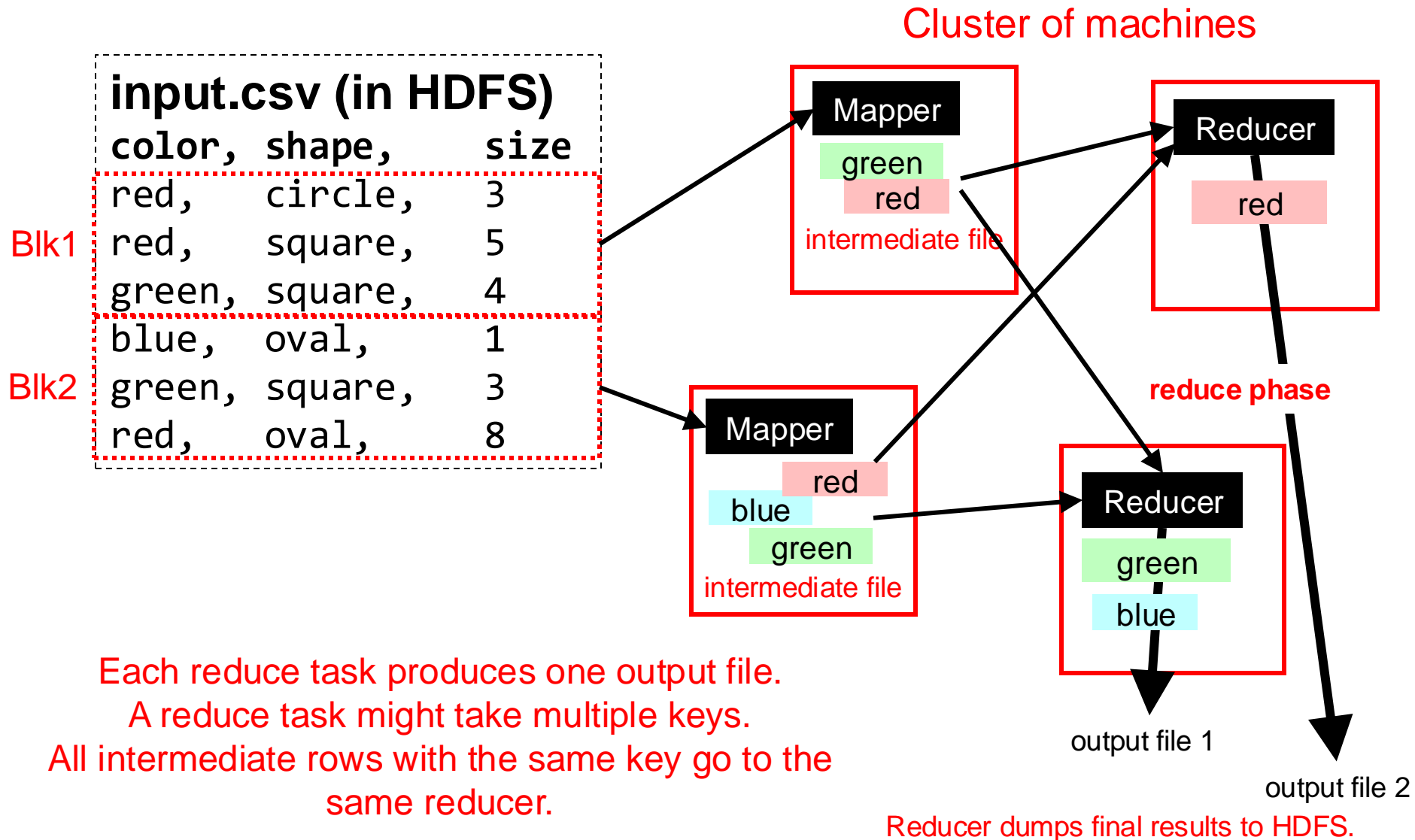
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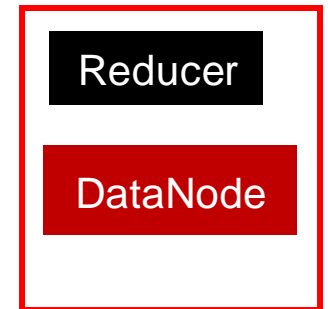
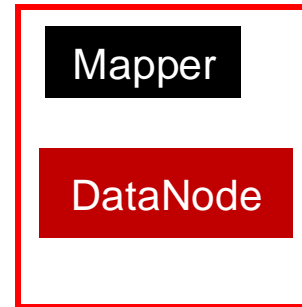


Data locality: Avoid network transfer

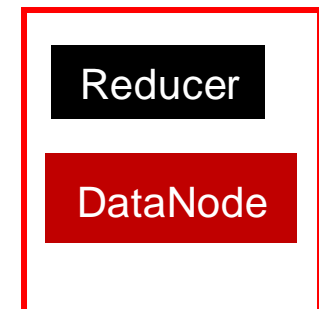
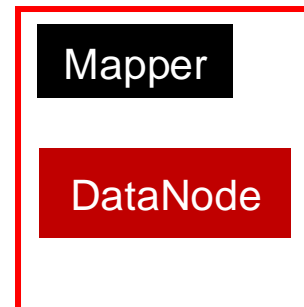
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Run on same machines

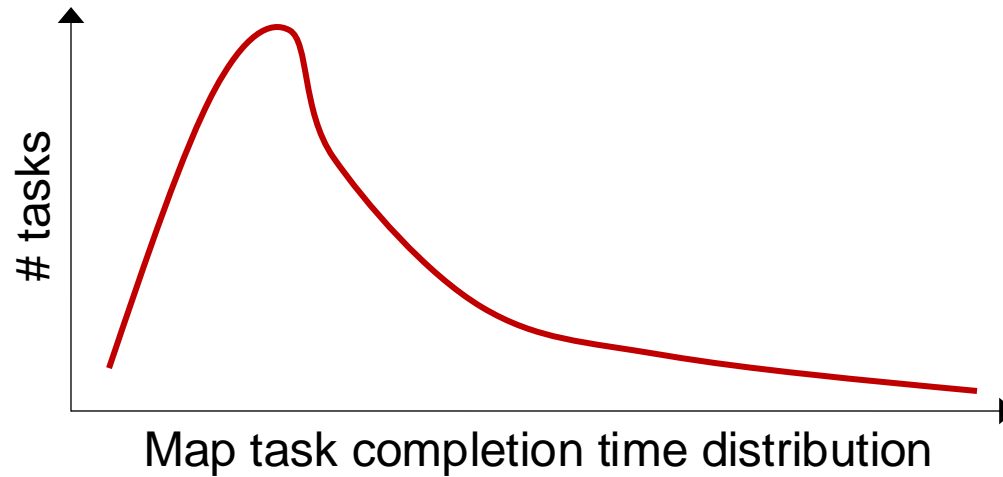
- Layered subsystems
- MapReduce executor
- HDFS DataNode



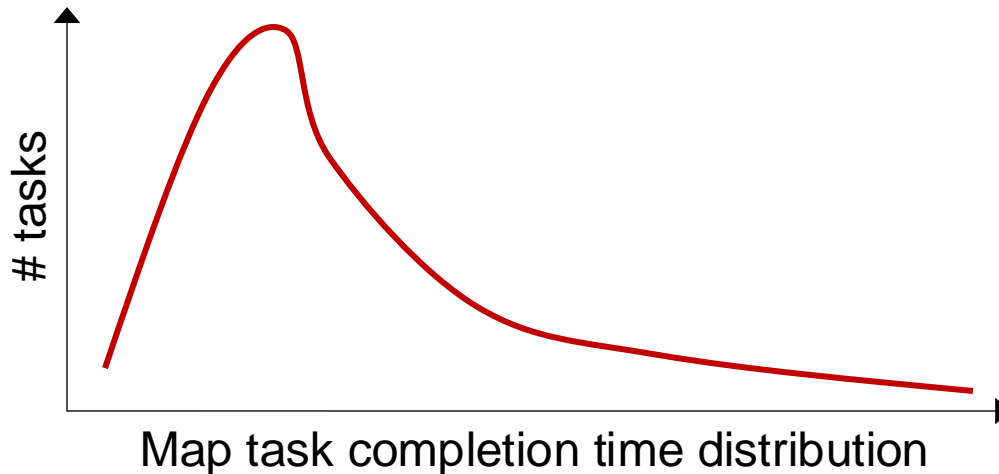
Try to run mappers on machine where DataNode has needed data. Uses local disk but not network.



Stragglers



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- **Tail execution time** means some executors (always) finish late (**recall tail latency**)

Q: How can MapReduce work around this?

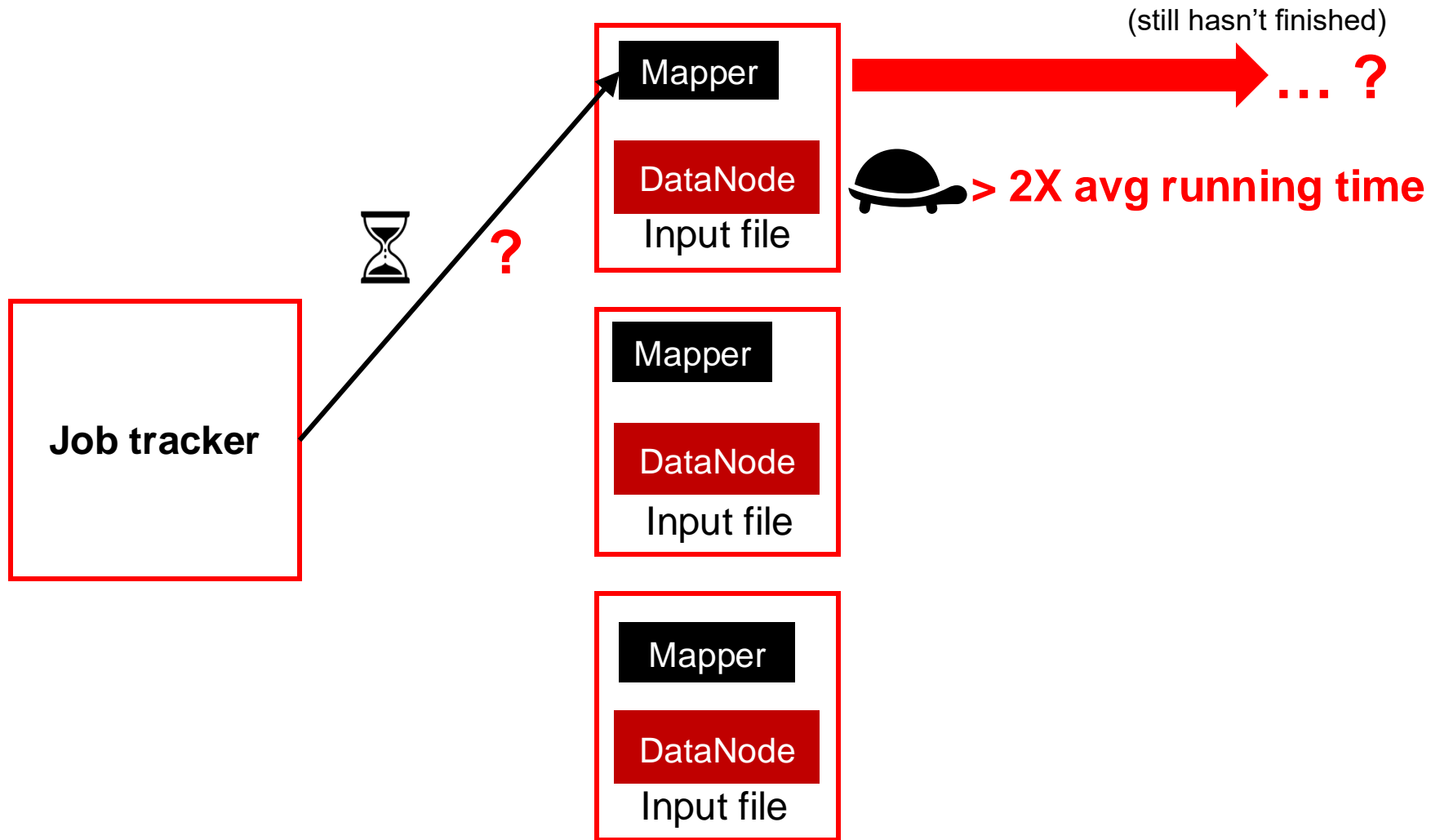
- Hint: its approach to **fault-tolerance** provides the right tool

Resilience against stragglers?

- If a task is going slowly (i.e., **straggler**):
 - Launch second copy of task (**backup task**) on another node
 - Take the output of whichever finishes first

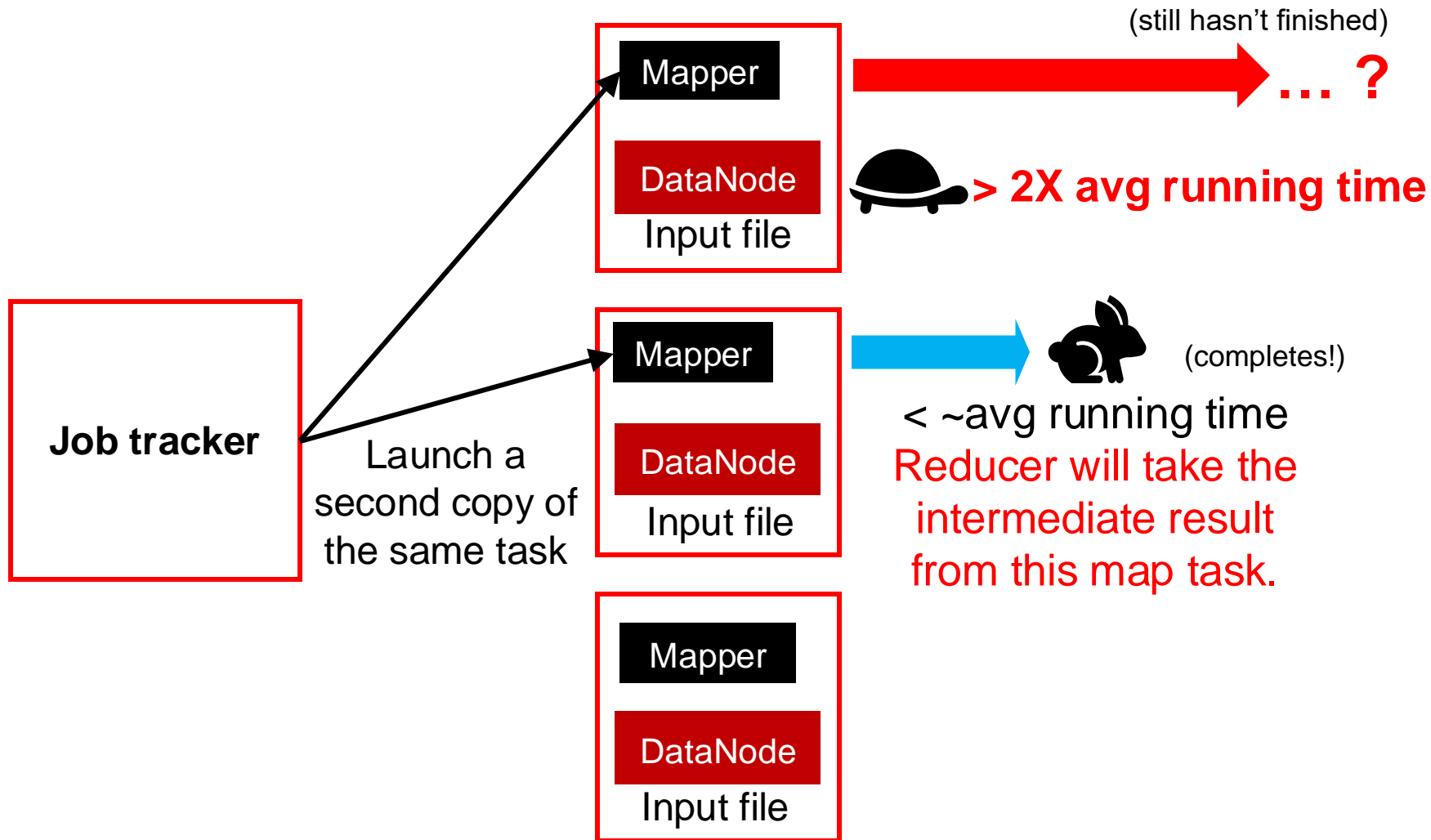
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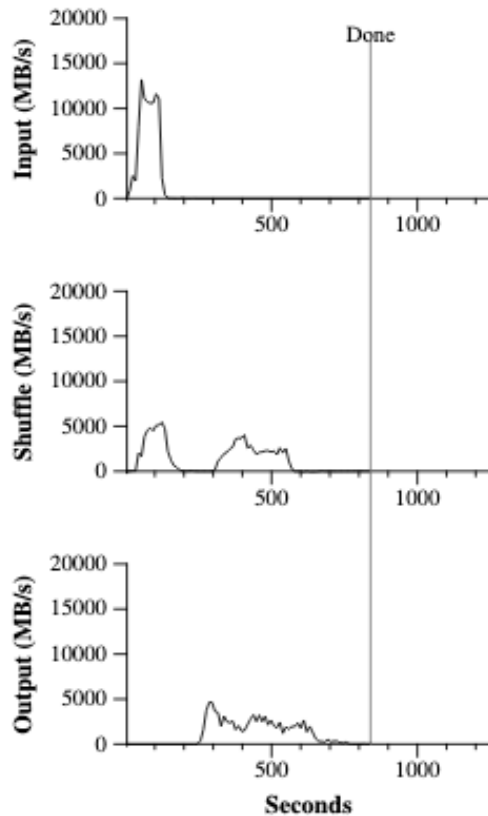
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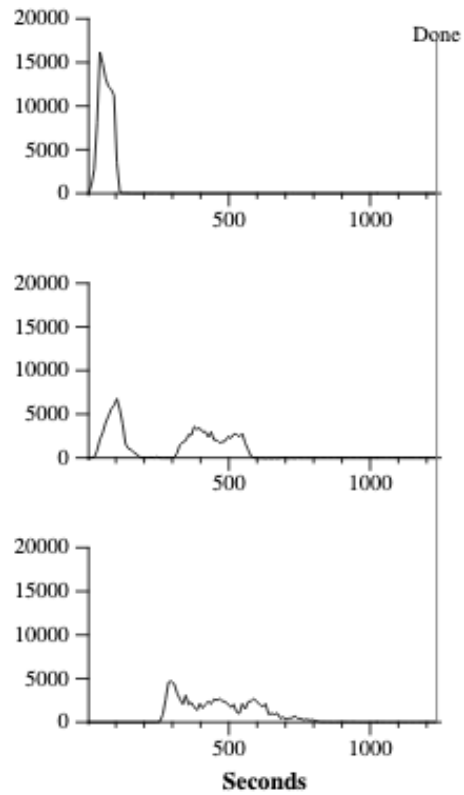


Would backup tasks cause correctness issue in MapReduce jobs?

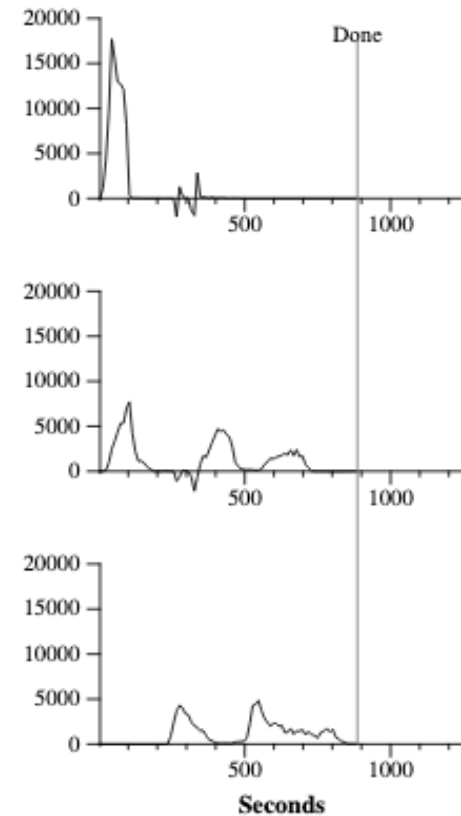
Discussion: MapReduce eval (paper)



(a) Normal execution



(b) No backup tasks



(c) 200 tasks killed