Using a Data Lake Stack in Animal Sciences

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Big Data - data explosion







Example in Animal Sciences

Precision Livestock Farming: Dairy

Estimating individual feed intake of cows

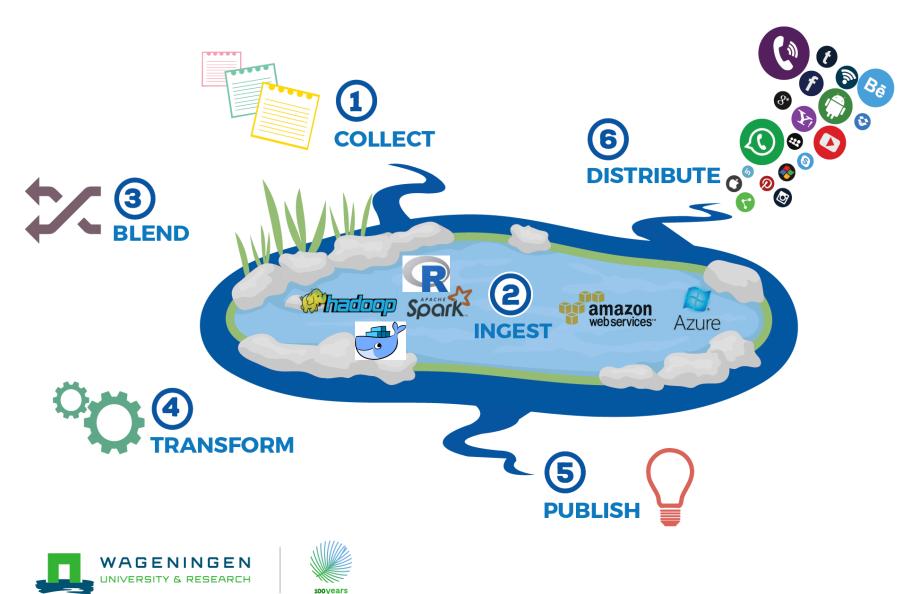








Data lake stack



Key drivers of data lake

Need to handle:

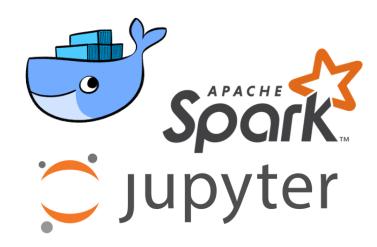
- Ever increasing datasets
- Varying data structures
- Heterogeneous
- Multimodal data

Improved:

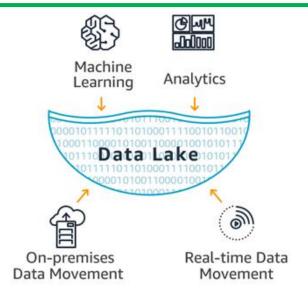
- Scalability
- Modularity
- Interoperability







Extract Transform Load



Current study - Locomotion







Gait score in action – 'catwalk'

- Gait score of 200 turkeys
- Traditionally performed by a trained person









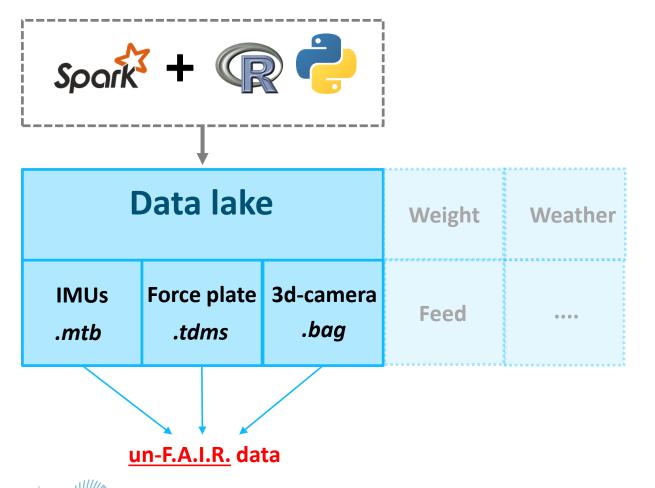
Experimental design and sensor data

Different Sensor data types were recorded

- Inertial measurement units (IMUs)
- 3D-video camera
- Force plate

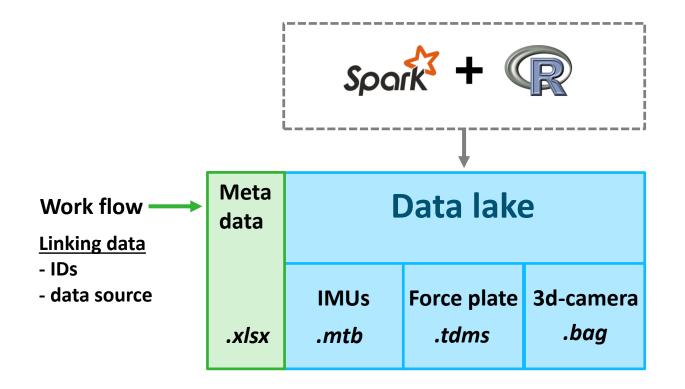


Schematic view of the data lake stack





Metadata not automatized yet







Discussion on FAIR-ness (I)

Findable

 Metadata is present, generating a "closed", IP-protected, FAIR data point

Accessible

• Put a lot of effort in generating new open source scripts to make the data accessible

Interoperable

 Now it is, readme files in English and scripts in Python/C++/R

Reusable

• Scripts are ready to reuse (gitlab), data not yet (IP)

Our focus is more on reproducible, scalable ETL pipelines





Discussion on data lake (II)

Is it worthwhile to use in animal science?

• Entire 'universe' of data captured and maintained

No data loss and scalable

• Stored near native format

Can be pushed to cloud services

Lessons learned for breeding

- More aware of repeated measures (large volume) and heterogeneity of data (variability)
- Necessity to have open source scripts/pipelines for handling data (automation)





Thank you for your attention



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