



# CSCI 101

## Connecting with Computer Science

### Cloud Computing II



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# Overview

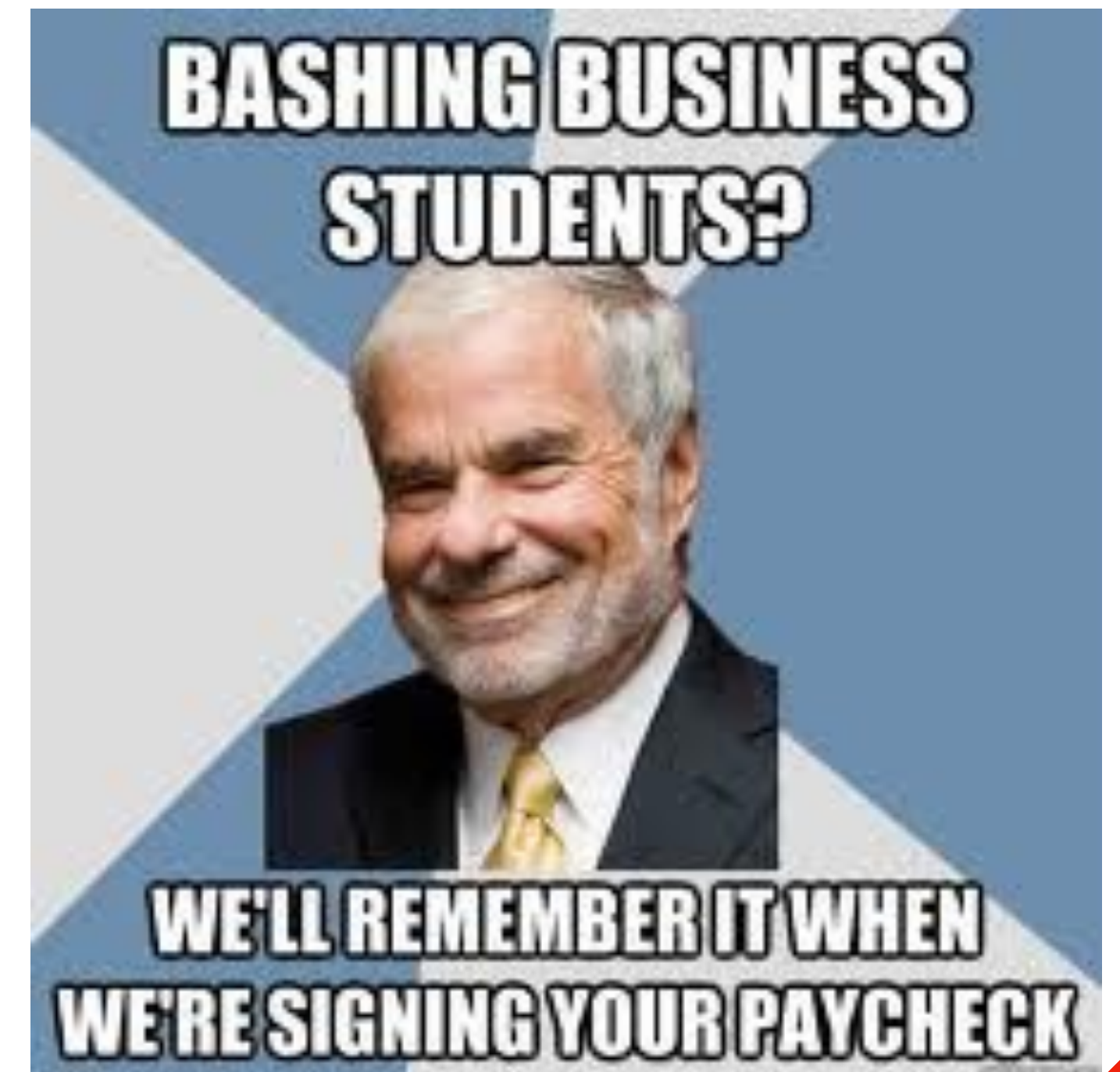
- Focus: Massive Data Solution
- Readings: R10
- Core Ideas:
  1. There is no such thing as Big Data

# There's No Such Thing as "Big" Data

It's just data analysis

# What is Big Data

- It is an invented concept by Business people
- Cloud Solutions -> Massive user/market/etc. data
- Essence of Big data -> Exploit these data



# What does Cloud Computing Provide?

- Volume: massive amount of information
- Variety: all formats of information
- Velocity: new information gets generated extremely rapidly

# The Big Data Challenge

- Volume: massive amount of information
  - You need to be able to process huge amount of data
- Variety: all formats of information
  - You need to be able to process information of various formats
- Velocity: new information gets generated extremely rapidly
  - You need to process data faster than they arrive

# Volume

- Google: 3.5 Billion searches everyday<sup>1</sup>
- Amazon is responsible for 45% of US commerce spending<sup>2</sup>
- 98% of Facebook's revenue comes from Advertising<sup>3</sup>
- More than 1 billion youtube video views each day<sup>4</sup>

1. <https://www.oberlo.ca/blog/google-search-statistics>
2. <https://www.repricerexpress.com/amazon-statistics/>
3. <https://www.investopedia.com/ask/answers/120114/how-does-facebook-fb-make-money.asp>
4. <https://www.youtube.com/about/press/>

# Volume

- How many ads do you see every day?
  - Estimation from 2017, average American<sup>1</sup>: 4,000 - 10,000
  - We are **trained** and **adapted** to **filter-out** uninteresting **ads**
    - Targeted advertisement is a huge challenge! Because as you get better, the users also get better.



# Variety

- Information comes in different forms
  - Text
  - Images
  - Videos
  - Audio
- Statistics
  - Tables
  - Databases
  - Code
  - Environmental data

# Variety

- What data can be collected from my amazon shopping?
  - Search history
  - Item selection history
  - Purchase history
  - You think that's it? Too naive

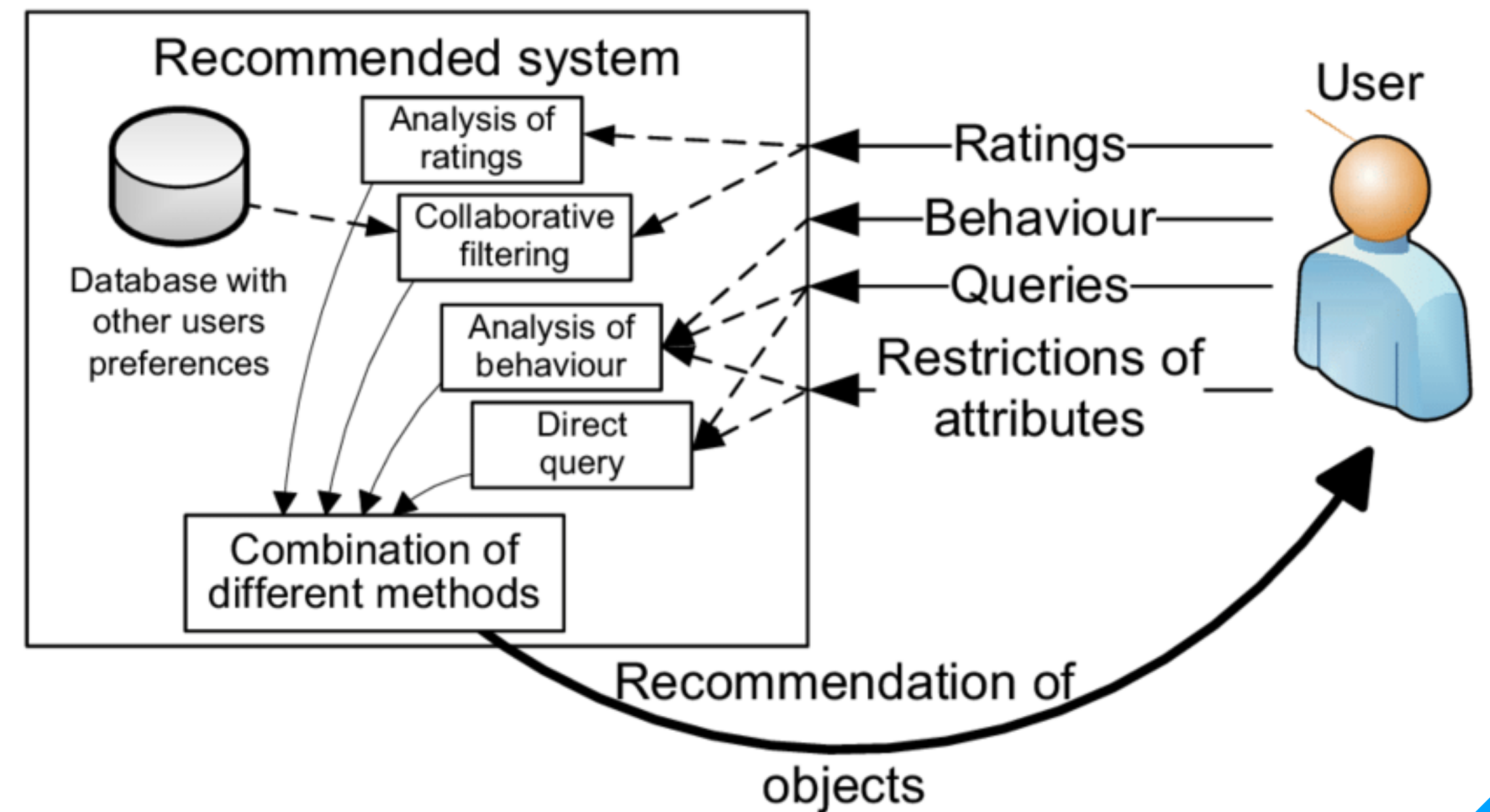


**TOO YOUNG  
TOO SIMPLE  
AND  
SOMETIMES  
NAIVE**

**Example**

# Variety

- What data can be collected from my amazon shopping?
- Number of seconds you spend on a page
- Mouse movement
- Other user behaviours
- Demographic identification



Example

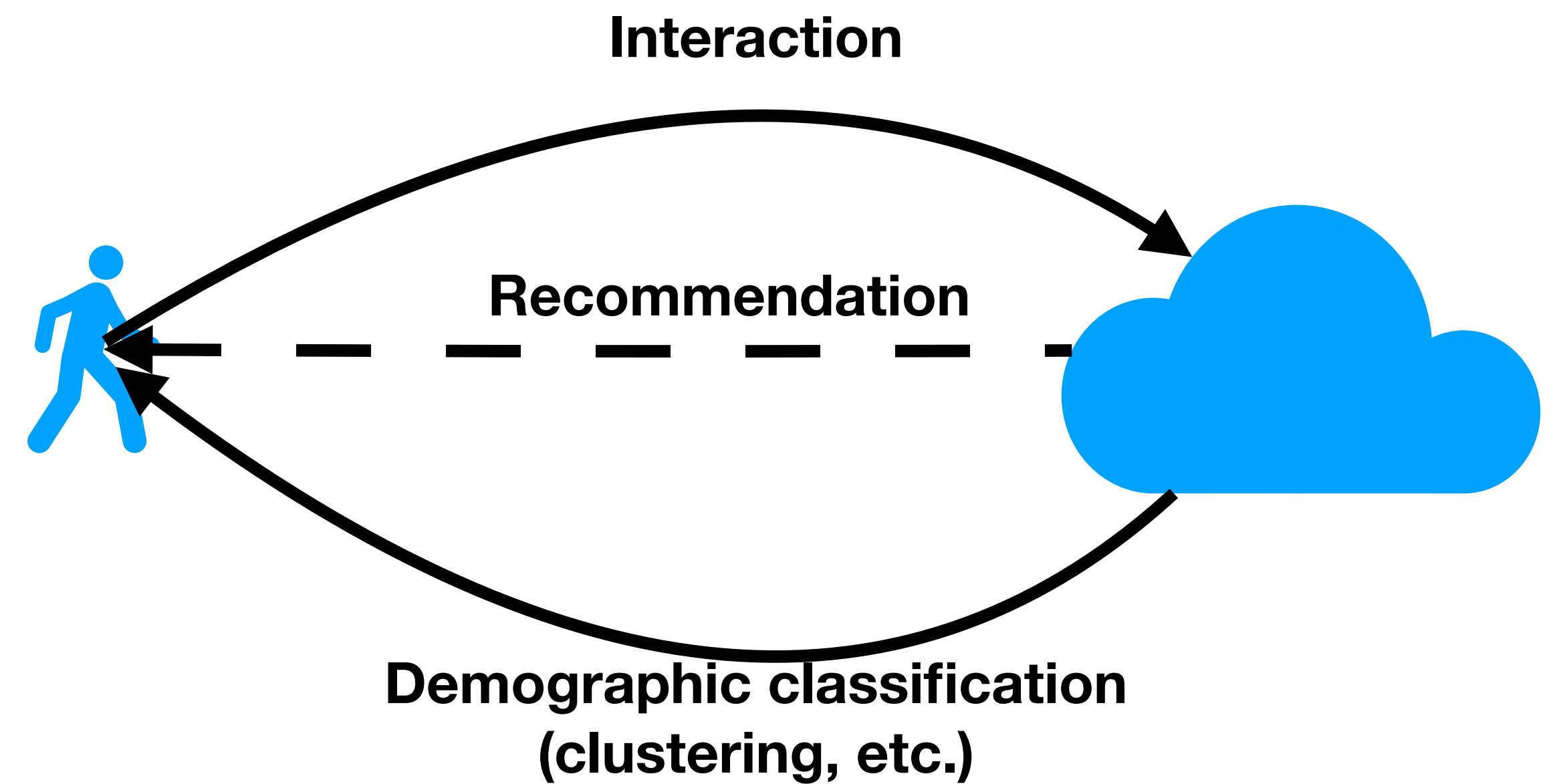
# Velocity

- 300 hours of video are uploaded to YouTube every minute<sup>1</sup>
- Daily instagram "Story" posts: 500 millions<sup>2</sup>
- 140 traffic cameras in BC
  - 24 hours recordings, 140 x 24 x 3600 frames (1 FPS), 12 million images to be recognised and processed everyday
  - Each frame: license plate(s) recognition (AI), speed calculation, etc., needs to be processed within 1/140 sec

1. <https://merchdope.com/youtube-stats/>  
2. <https://www.omnicoreagency.com/instagram-statistics/>  
3. <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/safety/public-safety/intersection-safety-cameras/where-the-cameras-are>

# Typical Recommendation System Pipeline

- Server collects your data
- Server find other users similar to you
- Server recommends stuff other users like



Example

# Why Big Data?

- **The technology was not there**
  - Modern algorithms for exploiting the massive data are still relatively new
- **The data was not there**
  - Data collection: the **terms of agreement** is actually **Terms of Surrendering Your Data**
  - **Digitisation of all records:** Medical Record, Purchase History (Online Shopping), etc.
  - Social Media: Why not **share all your secrets** to your friends through someone else's servers? (We promise we WoN'T LoOk!)

# Business Using Big Data

- Maximise productivity
- Targeted Advertising
- Deliver better products
- Better investments: smart business (Wednesday)

# Academics Using Big Data

- Quantitative Analysis
- Machine Learning / AI research
- Medical Research
  - Establish vital correlations between medicine and symptoms
  - Public health/rescue: determine/contain virus outbreak through big data



# 5 Stages in "Big" Data Workflow

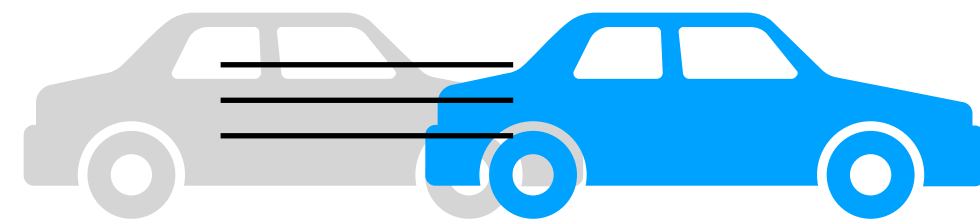
- Preparing data:
  - Acquisition: Getting the unformatted data
  - Extraction: Extract structured data
  - Integration: Combine data from multiple sources
- Analysis
  - Modelling: Design analysis models to process the data
  - Interpretation: Draw conclusions

# Some Cases of "Big" Data Usage

# Traffic Speed Camera

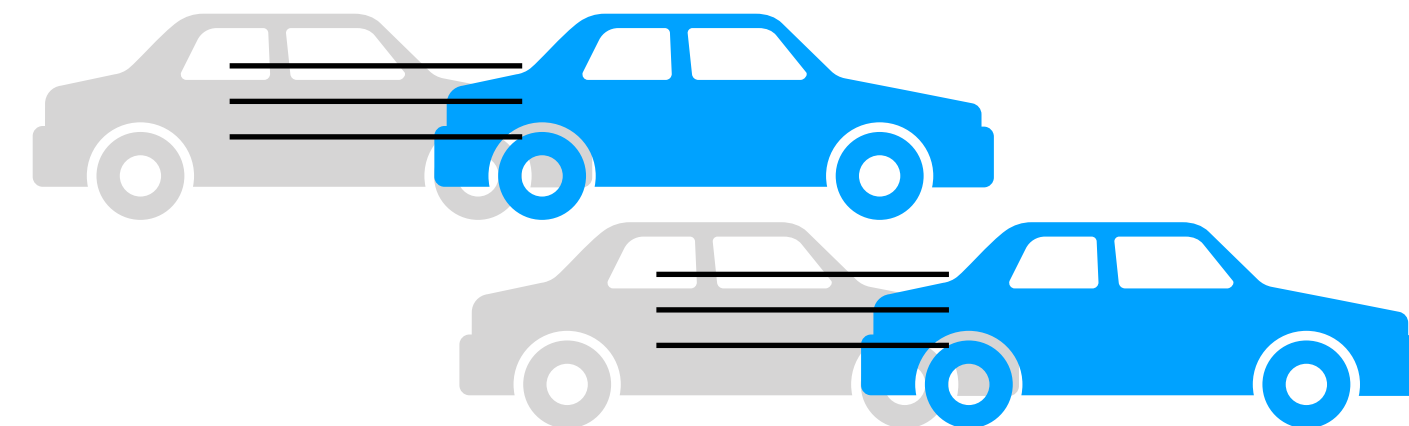
## 1. Acquisition

- Images in sequence



## 2. Extraction

- Batch of 3 images in sequence for analysis  
(So that we can determine velocity)



## 3. Integration

- Offload images from camera to the database, then send to analysis pipeline

# Traffic Speed Camera

## 4. Modelling

- Use Computer Vision technology designed for license plate recognition to ID cars
- Determine velocity by calculating distance traveled divided by time

## 5. Interpretation

- Generate speeding ticket to Jetic, who is totally innocent (not really)



# Recommendation System

## 1. Acquisition

- Users and their search histories in Amazon's Database

## 2. Extraction

- Extract searches that leads to order placements

## 3. Integration

- Combine results from Amazon US, Amazon CA, and Amazon UK

# Recommendation System

## 4. Modelling

- Grouping similar users together

## 5. Interpretation

- Recommend users in a group, products that the group's other members bought