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# Why Two Sigma Contributes to Open Source

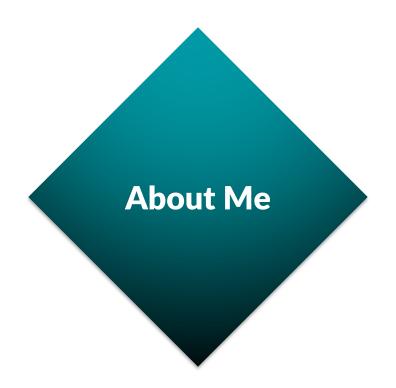
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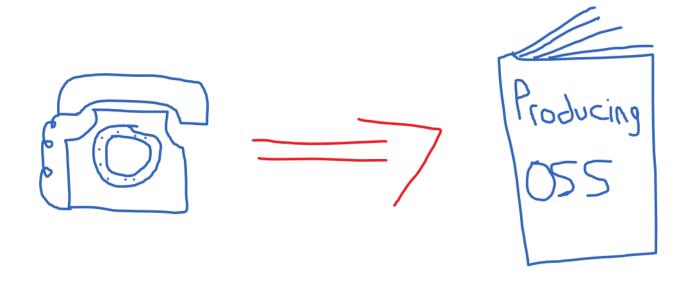


# Oh, hello!

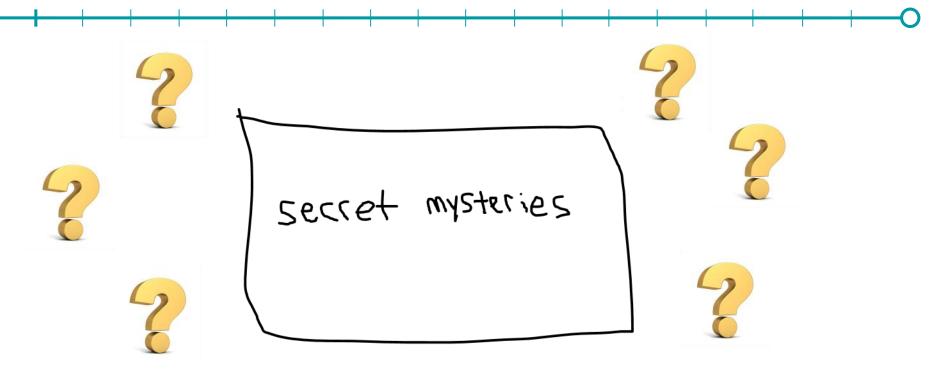


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# How I got here



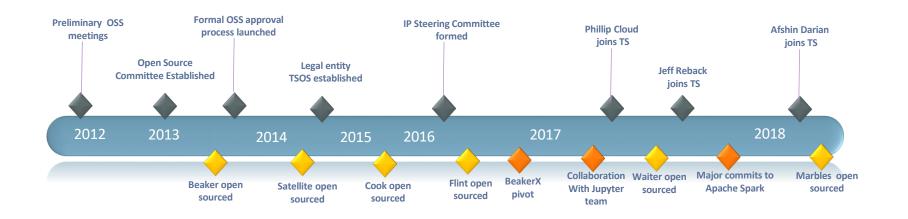
# Can we really do that?



#### What do the next 20 minutes hold?

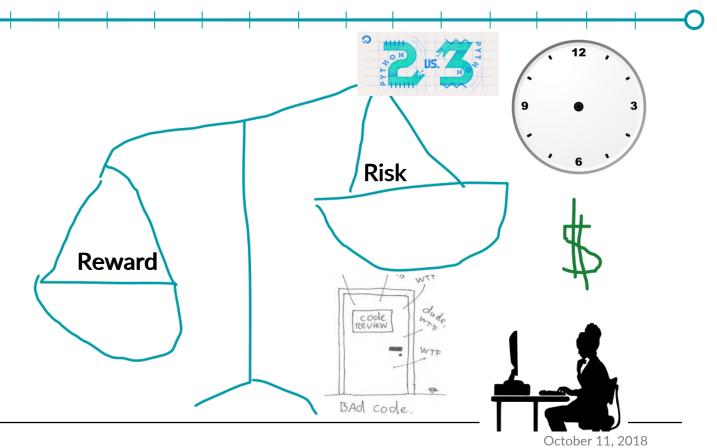
- Why is OSS scary?
- Why is OSS worth it?
- Lessons learned
- How Two Sigma is trying to help

# **Two Sigma and Open Source: A Brief History**





# Why Contribute?



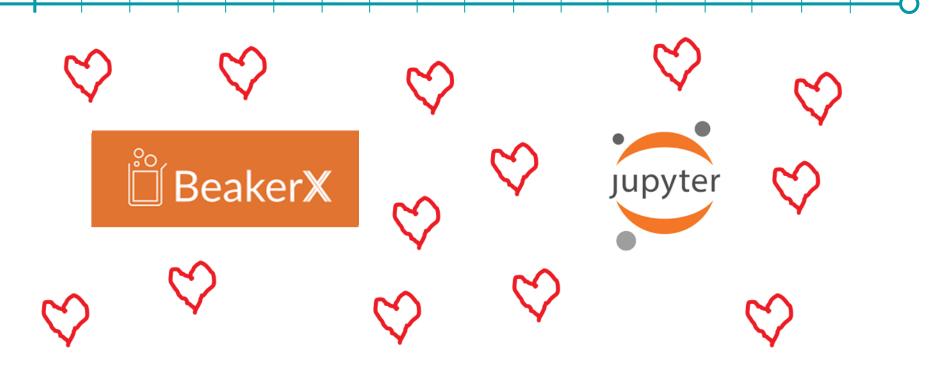
# Why Contribute?

- #1: Leveraging other people's work
- #2: Shaping the ecosystem
- #3: Avoiding isolation
- #4: Being cool
- #5: Building your legacy
- #6: Making the world a better place

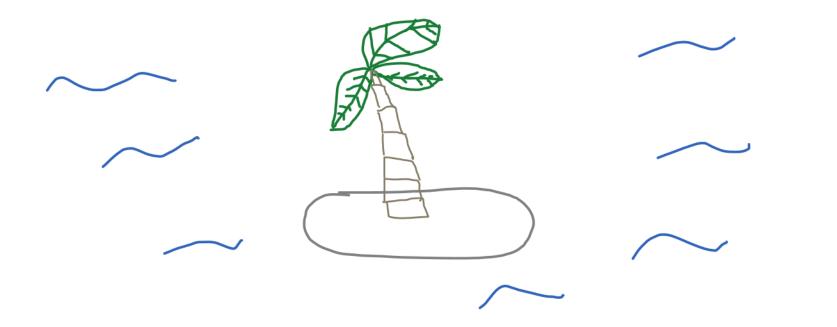
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# #2 - Shape the Products/Ecosystem



# **#3 - Avoid Isolation**



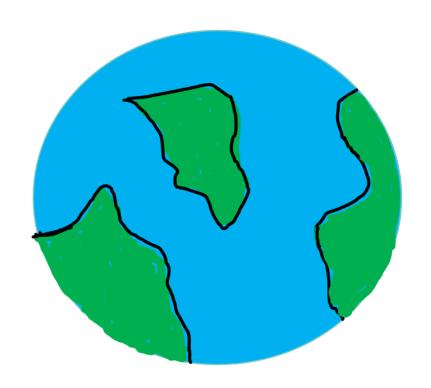
# #4 - Be Cool



# **#5 - Build Your Legacy**

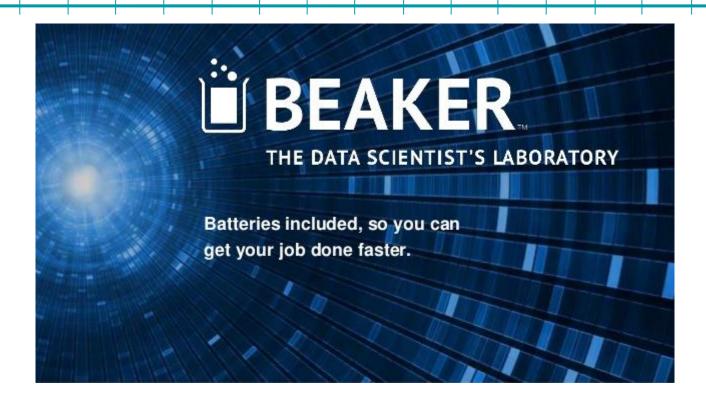


## #6 - Make the World Better

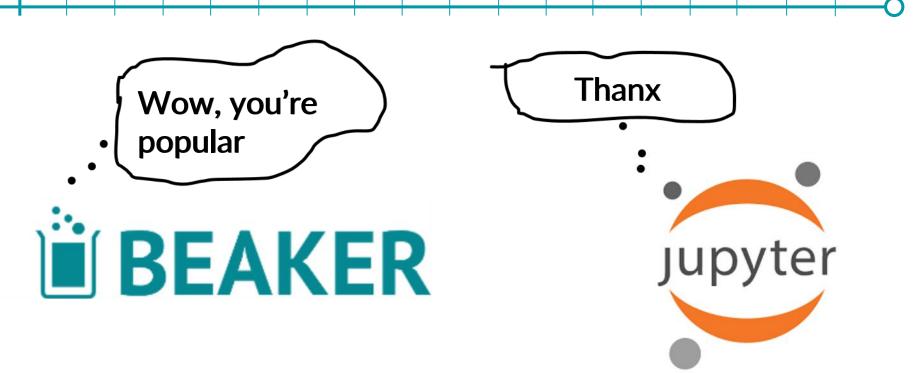




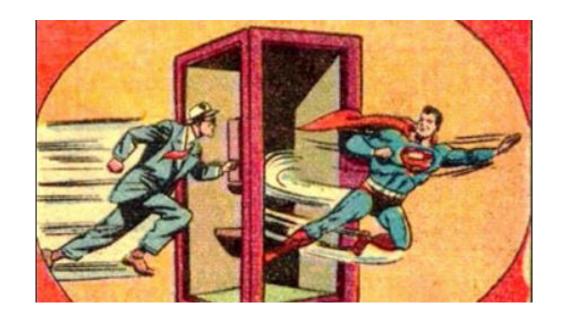
#### **Lessons Learned: Beaker Notebook**



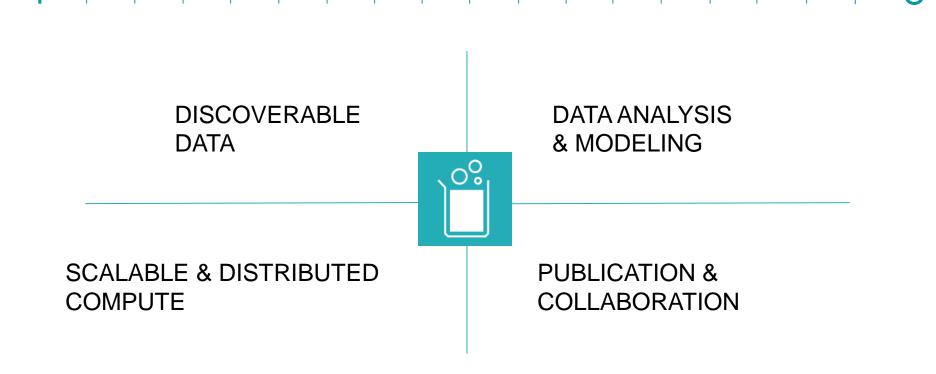
# Lessons Learned: Beaker Notebook vs. Project Jupyter



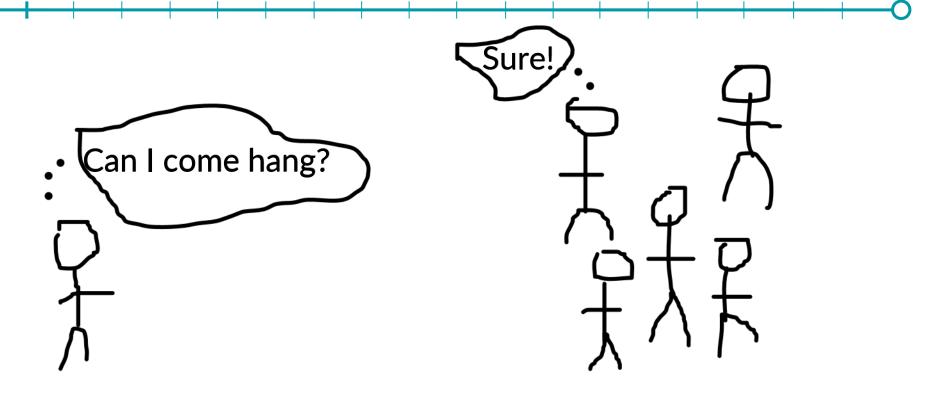
## **Lessons Learned: Beaker** → **BeakerX**



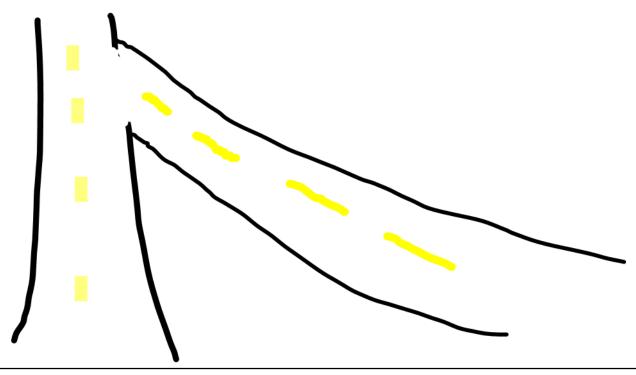
## **Lessons Learned: BeakerX**



# **Lessons Learned: Building Community is Hard**



# **Lessons Learned: The Urge to Merge**



## **Lessons Learned: Satellite**



**Satellite** 

# **Lessons Learned: Spark**



#### **Lessons Learned: Flint**





# **A Day Without Open Source**



















# We're Not The Only Ones



## Public Digital Infrastructure is not Free, Nor Invulnerable

- Widely Used # Widely Supported
- Infrastructure isn't free!
- Need time and money to grow products
- New challenge

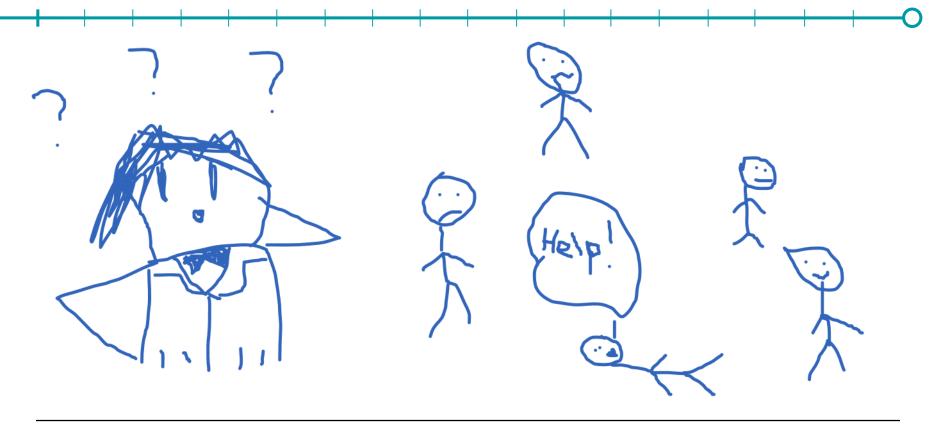


Downloads: 27.7 Million (27,790,603) § Estimated Cost: \$7 Million (\$7,005,011)\* Codebase: 267,775 lines Contributors: 703 Estimated Effort: 70 person-years (development began in 2009) pandas 10 Core Developers: 1 at 20% paid time 1 at 10% paid time · 8 at 0% paid time

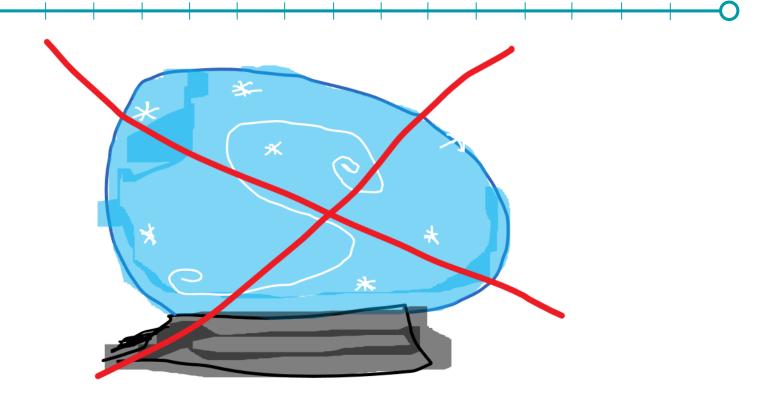
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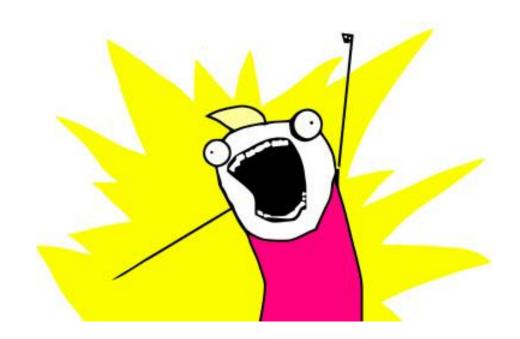
# **Bystander Effect**



# **Forecasting the Future**



## **We Can Affect The Future**





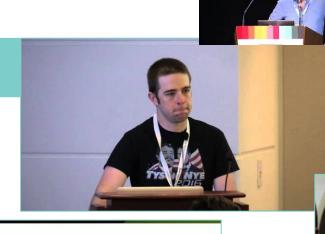
- Hiring OSS Engineers and consultants
- Open Sourcing tools we develop in-house
- Contributing to OSS projects we rely on
- Supporting OSS Startups
- Building community



Hiring open source engineers









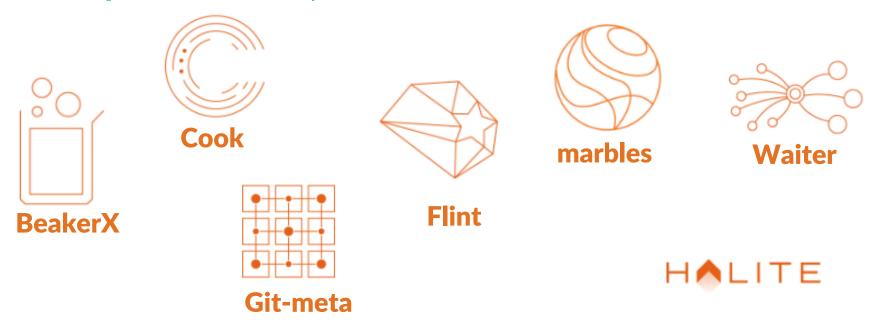
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- · Other Open Source Projects:
- Flint: A Time Series Library on Spark

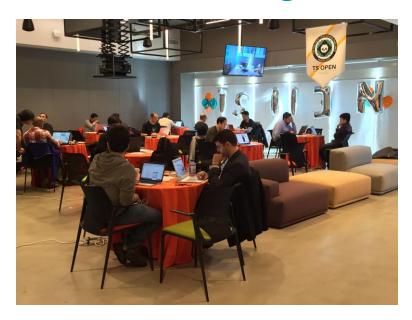




Open Sourcing tools we develop in-house



Contributing to OSS projects we rely on





Supporting Open Source Startups





Building community



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As users of open source software, we're passionate about giving back to the community.



#### Flint

Ψ 77 ★ 400

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Ψ 21 ★ 75

Our project that lets you effectively manage many repositories with git submodules.

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#### BeakerX

Ψ 246 ★ 1817

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#### Marbles

Ψ3 ★35

Marbles is a Python unittest extension that allows test authors to write richer tests that expose more information on test failure.

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