

# Migrating to Open Source Databases

## Best Practices

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# About Presentation

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Reasons to migrate to Open Source Databases

Understanding Open Source

Migration Best Practices

Issues to be aware about

# Talk about High Level Strategy

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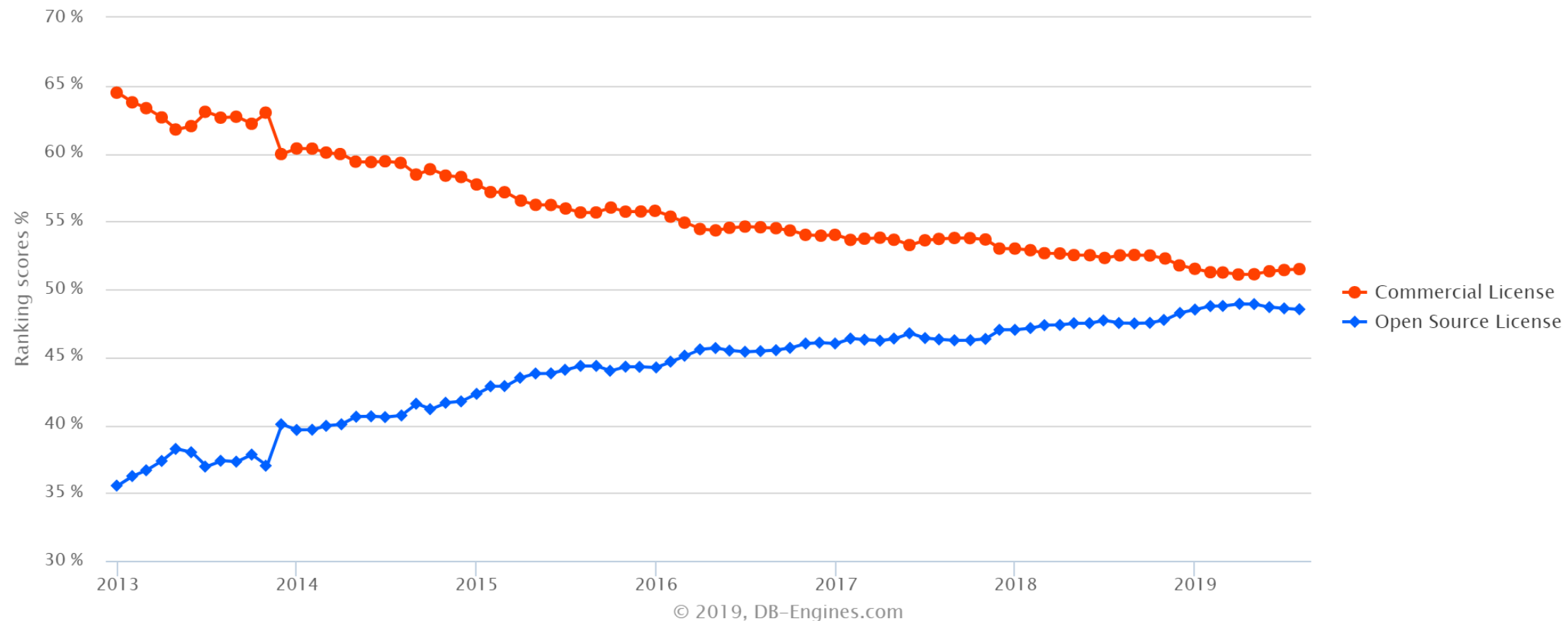
**Will not talk about specific challenges converting Stored Procedure Syntax from Microsoft SQL Server to MySQL**

# Why move to Open Source Database ?

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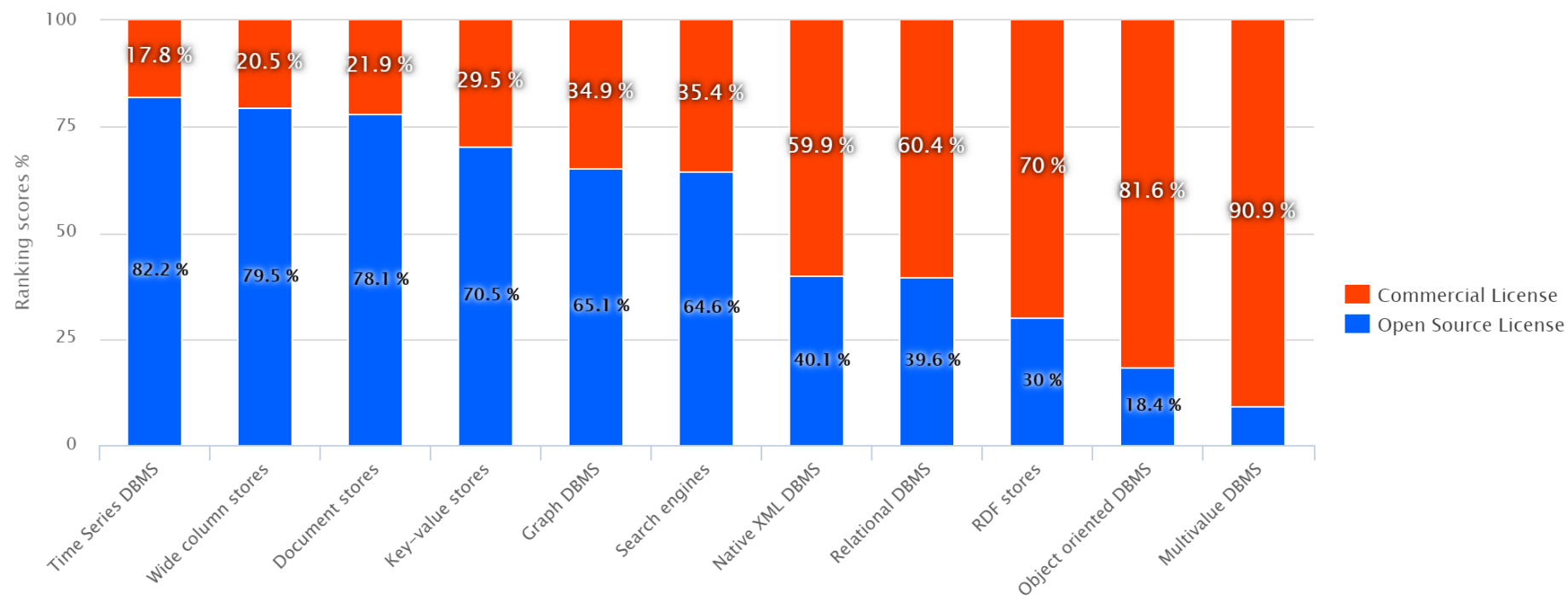


# It is a Trend



# Especially for New Generation Technologies

Popularity broken down by database model, August 2019



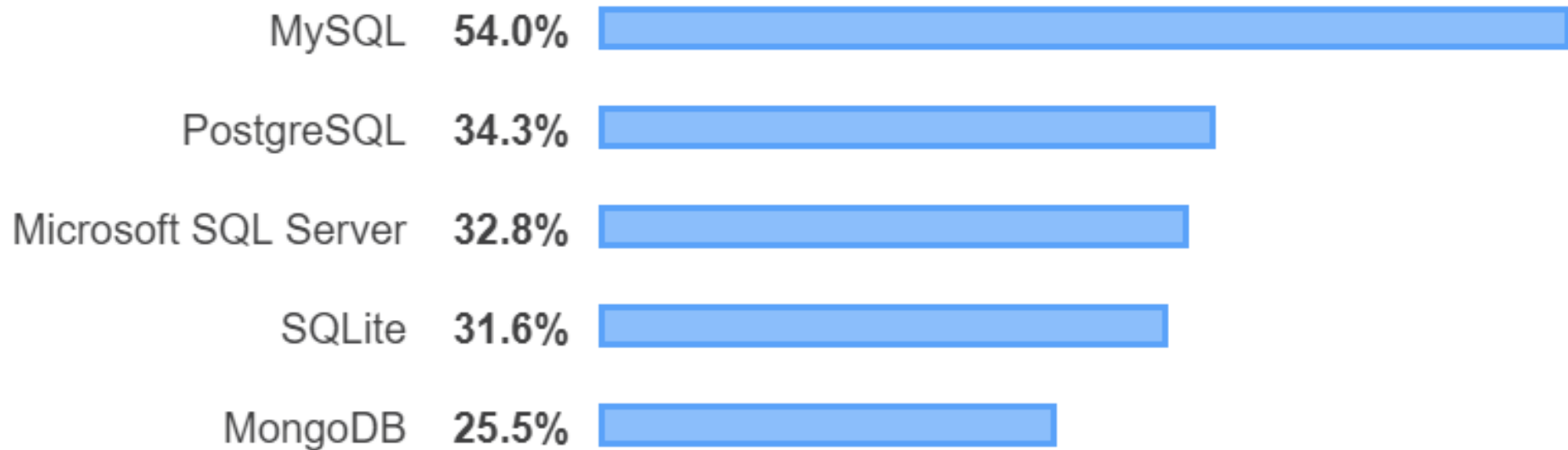
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This chart demonstrates that the popularity of open source tools heavily depends on their database model.

# Developers love Open Source

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## Most Loved databases per Stack Overflow Survey (2019)

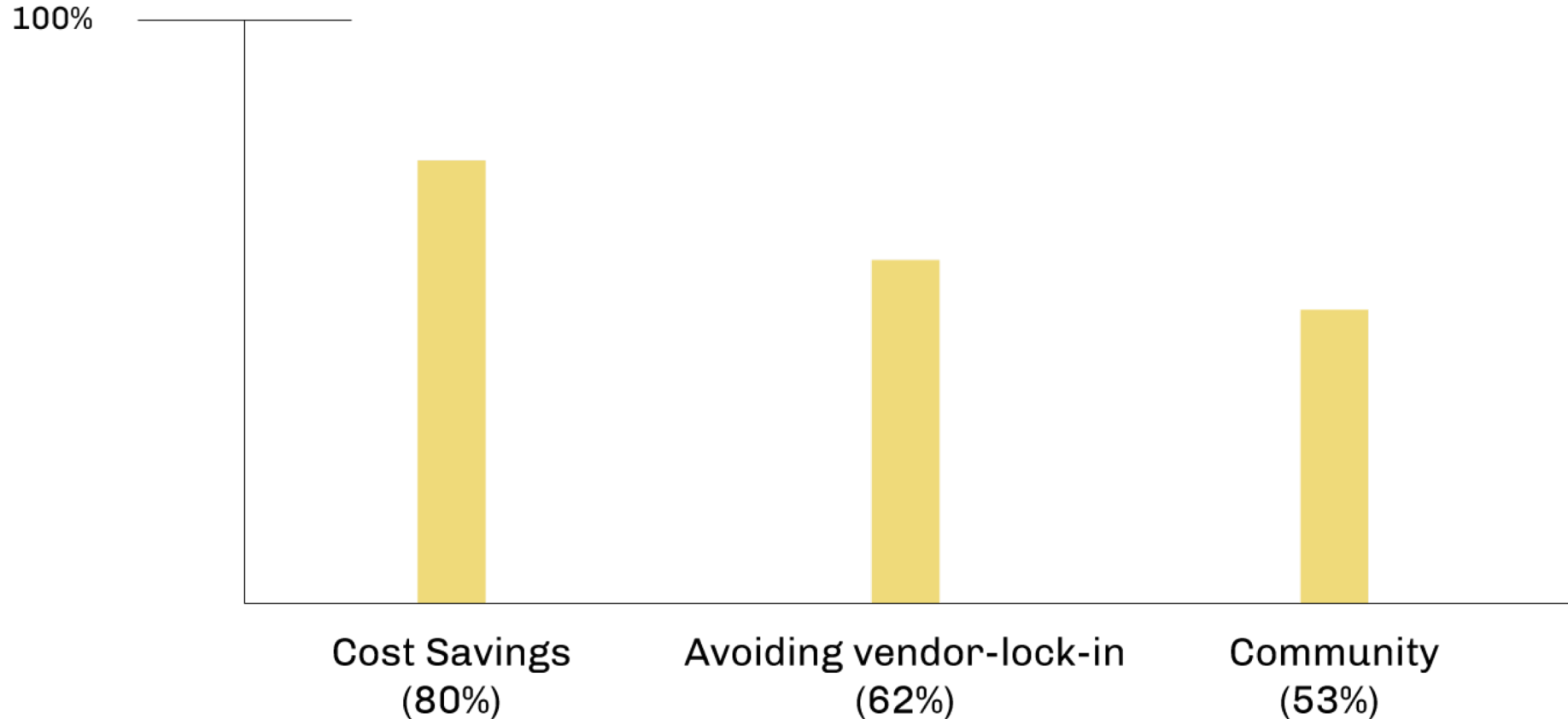


<https://insights.stackoverflow.com/survey/2019>

# Reasons to Adopt Open Source Databases

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The top three reasons to adopt Open Source databases:



# Freedom from Software Vendor Lock-in

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**<INSERT VENDOR> Does  
not have customers,  
<INSERT VENDOR> has  
hostages**

# Costs

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**Open Source Database  
Powered Applications are  
less expensive to build  
and to operate**



# Top Databases

Only Open Source databases are showing growth!

347 systems in ranking, May 2019

Rank			DBMS	Database Model	Score		
May 2019	Apr 2019	May 2018			May 2019	Apr 2019	May 2018
1.	1.	1.	Oracle +	Relational, Multi-model i	1285.55	+5.61	-4.87
2.	2.	2.	MySQL +	Relational, Multi-model i	1218.96	+3.82	-4.38
3.	3.	3.	Microsoft SQL Server +	Relational, Multi-model i	1072.19	+12.23	-13.66
4.	4.	4.	PostgreSQL +	Relational, Multi-model i	478.89	+0.17	+77.99
5.	5.	5.	MongoDB +	Document	408.07	+6.10	+65.96

Source: <https://db-engines.com/en/ranking>

# Other Reasons

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Easier to attract and retain talent

Faster Innovation

Better Compatibility

# My Belief

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**Everything being equal  
Open Source Technology  
is the best choice**

# What is Open Source ?

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Some Clarifications are in Order

# Open Source

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**Truly Open  
Source**

**Kind of  
Open Source**

**Open Source  
Compatible**

# Truly Open Source

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**OSI:** <https://opensource.org/osd-annotated>

**GNU:** <https://www.gnu.org/philosophy/free-sw.en.html>

**DEBIAN:** [https://www.debian.org/social\\_contract#guidelines](https://www.debian.org/social_contract#guidelines)



# Peter's Practical Question

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**What will I have to give up if I stop commercial relationship with a vendor ?**

# Kind of Open Source Software

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**Everyone loves Open Source, why do not we use it for Marketing ?**

# Kind of Open Source Software

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**Open Core**

**Shared Source Software**

**Eventually Open Source Software**

# Open Source Compatible Software

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**Honest Proprietary  
Software claiming  
compatibility with Open  
Source Technology**

# “Hotel California Compatibility”

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# Benefits of DBaaS

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**Reduce Cost at Small and Medium Scale**

**Increase Agility via Self Service**

**Reduce Risks through providing sensible boundaries**



# Emerging Open Source Response

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**Kubernetes as Operating System for your Data Center**

**Operators as a way to run Autonomous Databases**

**Percona Operators for MySQL and MongoDB Available**

# Longer Term Vision

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## **PERCONA CLOUD NATIVE** Autonomous Database Initiative

# Unicorns Changing from Open Source Licenses

MongoDB changes Software License to SSPL (Server Side Public License)

Elastic, Confluent, and Redis Labs releasing some components with Source Available License



# Are you ready to share the pie ?

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Do we want to create a bigger pie, or have it all to ourselves?



Or



# Cloud and Open Source

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Are Cloud Providers abusing Open Source software?

Should Software Vendors be able to maintain DBaaS Monopoly?

Are Open Source Software Users interests are the same as Vendors ?

How should Cloud Providers be compelled to contribute to Open Source?

# Polarization

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## “Protection” Focused Projects

- Attempt to Re-Define Open Source to Restrict Freedoms to lock-in value, create monopoly for themselves
- MongoDB Model

## “Adoption” Focused Projects

- Embrace any innovation furthering Technology adoption and user success
- PostgreSQL Model



# Opposite Starts to Happen

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## Why We Changed YugaByte DB Licensing to 100% Open Source



Karthik Ranganathan | Founder & CTO

July 16, 2019

We are excited to announce that **YugaByte DB** is now 100% open source under the Apache 2.0 license. This means previously closed-source, commercial, enterprise features such as Distributed Backups, Data Encryption and Read Replicas are now available in the open source project and are completely free to use. Same applies to upcoming new features like **Change Data Capture** and **2 Data Center Deployments**. The result of this change is that we no longer have a Community Edition and an Enterprise Edition of YugaByte DB. **There is only one edition of YugaByte DB now and that is fully open source.**

<https://blog.yugabyte.com/why-we-changed-yugabyte-db-licensing-to-100-open-source/>

# Another Example

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## Open-sourcing VictoriaMetrics



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We are happy to announce that [VictoriaMetrics enters open source world](#) under [Apache2 license](#)!

<https://blog.usejournal.com/open-sourcing-victoriametrics-f31e34485c2b>

# Migration Best Practices

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# Recognize Differences

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Open Source Database will not be 100% the same as your favorite proprietary database

# Like This

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VS



# Chose Technology or Technologies

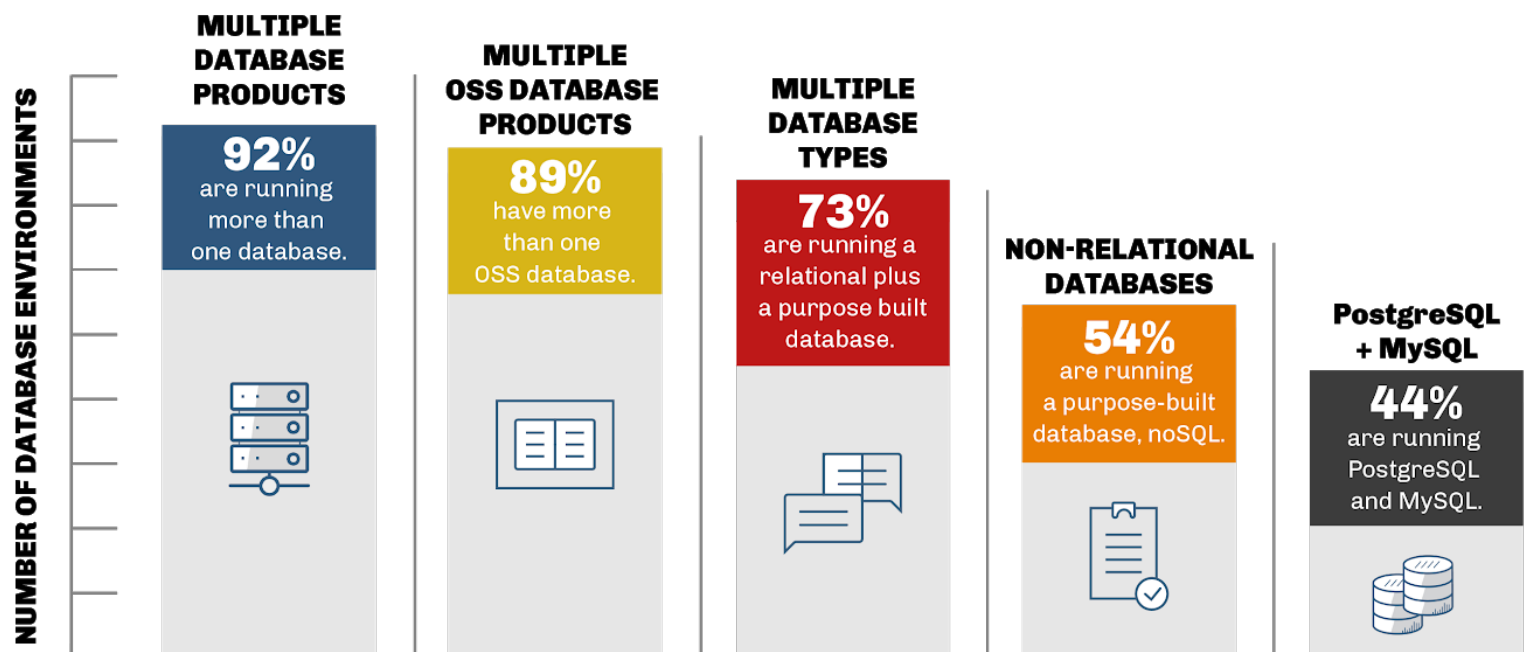
Many Open Source Technologies are available

There is No Silver Bullet

# Multi-Database World



## MULTI-DATABASE IS KING



Numbers based on Percona's Open Source Data Management Software Survey 2019

# Choosing Right

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Chose Minimal Feasible Set of Technologies

Choose the path well traveled



# Choose Right Application

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Not All Applications are Equally Feasible for Migration

Focus on Getting Early Wins not Largest Wins

# Right Targets Right Way

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## Easy

- Simple
- Development Team Available
- Application Supports Open Source Database
- Enthusiastic Team

## Hard

- Complex
- Uses Advanced Features
- No Source Available
- No More Maintained
- Team Against Migration

# Right Team

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Current Enthusiastic Team

Migration Team

Do not Do migration by the team interested in the Project  
Failure

# Ensure Management Commitment

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Clear Management Commitment and Support is great

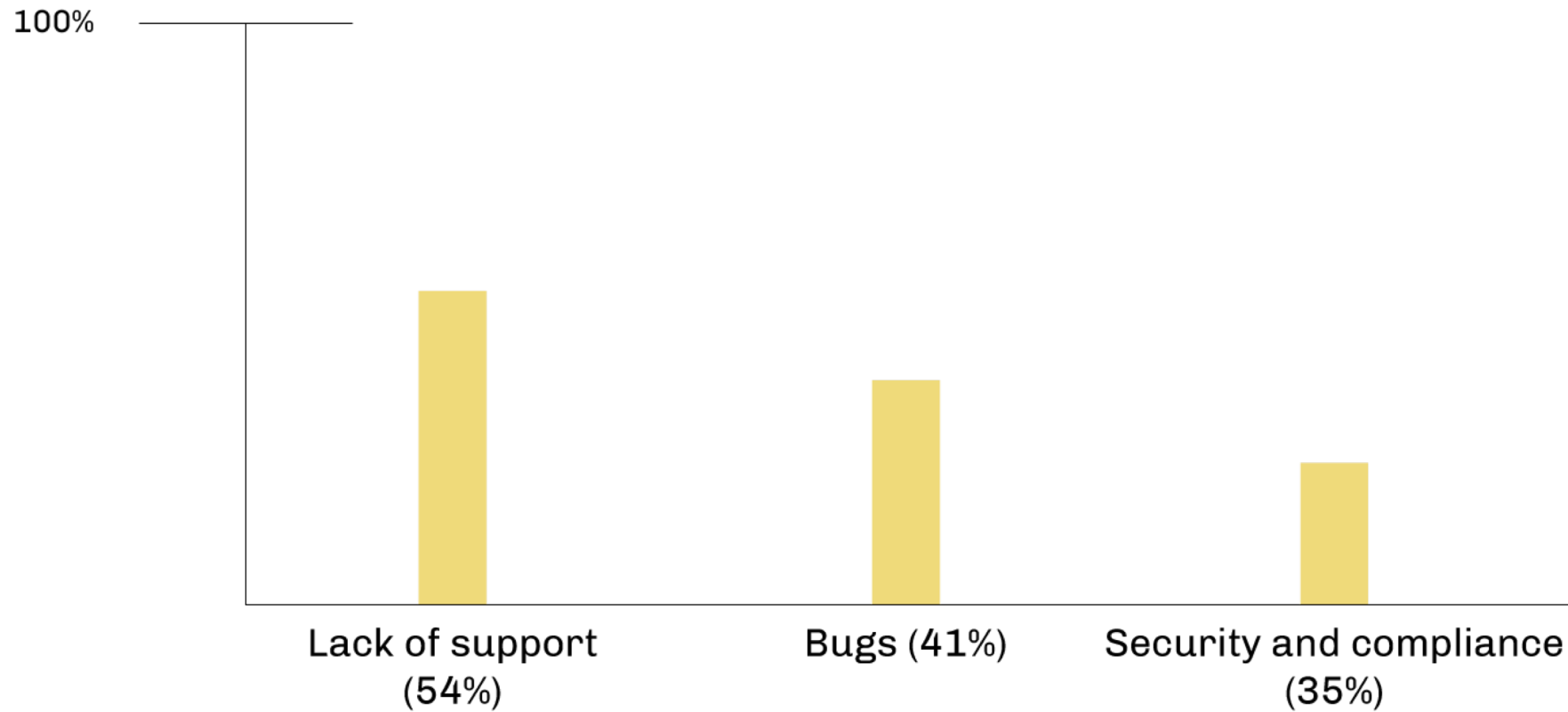
Changes always impact people careers

Are you good playing politics ? Is someone on your team ?

# Manage Fears of Open Source Technologies

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**The main fears when adopting Open Source database technology:**



# Two Approaches to Migration

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Migrate  
Existing  
Application

Do as Part of  
Application  
Rewrite

# Have Patience

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Opportunities to Do Migration will present themselves

The Process from idea to “live” may take longer than you expect

# Planning Migration

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**Feasibility Study**

**Proof of Concept**

**Scoping and Planning**

**Executing**



# Doing the Switch ?

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**Is this stop-switch-start cutoff ?**

**Is old system remains on the standby ?**

**Are both systems to operate at the same time ?**

**Data Sync issues**

# Tools for Migration

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**No Perfect Tools**

**Manage your expectations for anything but trivial applications**

**Mind Operational Best Practices Differences**

# Tools to keep in Mind

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MySQL Workbench

Inspirer MnMTK

AWS Database Migration Service

SQLines Tools

Ora2PG tool for migrating to PostgreSQL

DBConvert

# Chose Right Partners

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Migration is a very specific skill different from greenfield development

Is your partner motivated in project success or failure ?

Different tasks in Migration require different skills

# Percona Open Source Advance (POSA)

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**POSA is a complete consulting-led migration solution for customers who want to move their proprietary database(s) to an open source alternative.**

Open source software migrations are increasingly a strategic corporate initiative, but often require expert external advice and support. POSA is the ideal solution for companies who traditionally purchase a proprietary database management system and want to explore other options.

Using POSA to migrate to open source software allows you to:

- **Escape vendor lock-in**
- **Realize significant cost savings**
- **Achieve a pain-free transition**
- **Embrace flexibility**



As a leader in open source software, Percona has extensive experience advising companies on the best way to configure, manage, and run their databases. A migration with POSA ensures a smooth database transition and delivers significant annual cost savings.

<https://www.percona.com/services/consulting/percona-open-source-advance>



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