Map-Reduce and Spark

Introduction to Databases CompSci 316 Spring 2019



Announcements (Tue., Apr. 16)

- Project demos—sign-up instructions to be emailed soon
- Homework #4 final due dates
 - Problem 3: today 04/16
 - Problems 4, 5, 6 : next Monday 04/22
 - Problem X1: next Wednesday 04/24



MapReduce: motivation

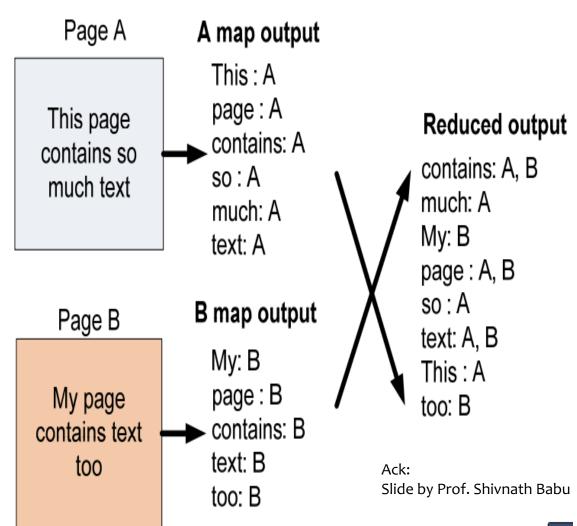
- Many problems can be processed in this pattern:
 - Given a lot of unsorted data
 - Map: extract something of interest from each record
 - Shuffle: group the intermediate results in some way
 - Reduce: further process (e.g., aggregate, summarize, analyze, transform) each group and write final results (Customize map and reduce for problem at hand)
- Make this pattern easy to program and efficient to run
 - Original Google paper in OSDI 2004
 - Hadoop has been the most popular open-source implementation
 - Spark still supports it

M/R programming model

- Input/output: each a collection of key/value pairs
- Programmer specifies two functions
 - $\operatorname{map}(k_1, v_1) \to \operatorname{list}(k_2, v_2)$
 - Processes each input key/value pair, and produces a list of intermediate key/value pairs
 - reduce $(k_2, \text{list}(v_2)) \rightarrow \text{list}(v_3)$
 - Processes all intermediate values associated with the same key, and produces a list of result values (usually just one for the key)

Simple Example: Map-Reduce

- Word counting
- Inverted indexes

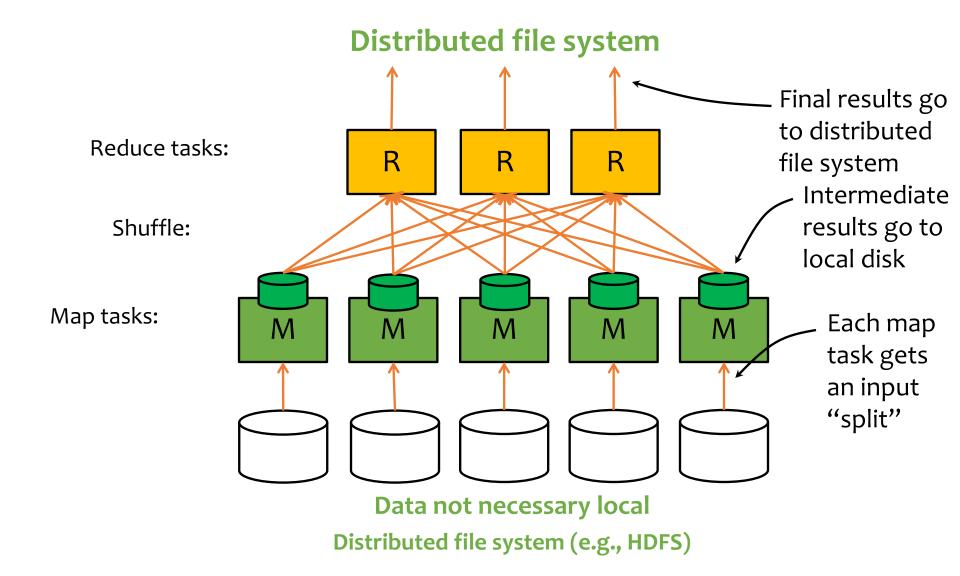




M/R example: word count

- Expected input: a huge file (or collection of many files) with millions of lines of English text
- Expected output: list of (word, count) pairs
- Implementation
 - map(_, line) → list(word, count)
 - Given a line, split it into words, and output (w, 1) for each word w in the line
 - reduce(word, list(count)) → (word, count)
 - Given a word w and list L of counts associated with it, compute $s = \sum_{\text{count} \in L} \text{count}$ and output (w, s)
 - Optimization: before shuffling, map can pre-aggregate word counts locally so there is less data to be shuffled
 - This optimization can be implemented in Hadoop as a "combiner"

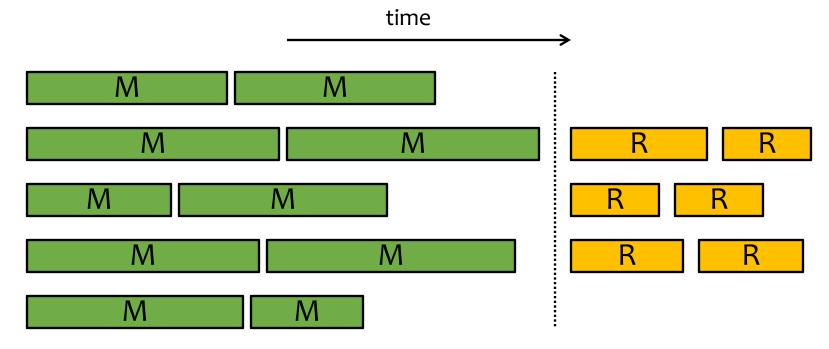
M/R execution



Some implementation details

- There is one "master" node
- Input file gets divided into m "splits," each a contiguous piece of the file
- Master assigns m map tasks (one per split) to "workers" and tracks their progress
- Map output is partitioned into r "regions"
- Master assigns r reduce tasks (one per region) to workers and tracks their progress
- Reduce workers read regions from the map workers' local disks

M/R execution timeline



- When there are more tasks than workers, tasks execute in "waves"
 - Boundaries between waves are usually blurred
- Reduce tasks can't start until all map tasks are done

More implementation details

- Numbers of map and reduce tasks
 - Larger is better for load balancing
 - But more tasks add overhead and communication
- Worker failure
 - Master pings workers periodically
 - If one is down, reassign its split/region to another worker
- "Straggler": a machine that is exceptionally slow
 - Pre-emptively run the last few remaining tasks redundantly as backup

M/R example: Hadoop TeraSort

- Expected input: a collection of (key, payload) pairs
- Expected output: sorted (key, payload) pairs
- Implementation
 - Using a small sample of input, find r-1 key values that divides the key range into r subranges where # pairs is roughly equal across them
 - map $(k, payload) \rightarrow (j, \langle k, payload \rangle)$
 - If k falls within the j-th subrange
 - reduce $(j, \text{list}(\langle k, \text{payload} \rangle)) \rightarrow \text{list}(k, \text{payload})$
 - Sort the list of (k, payload) pairs by k and output

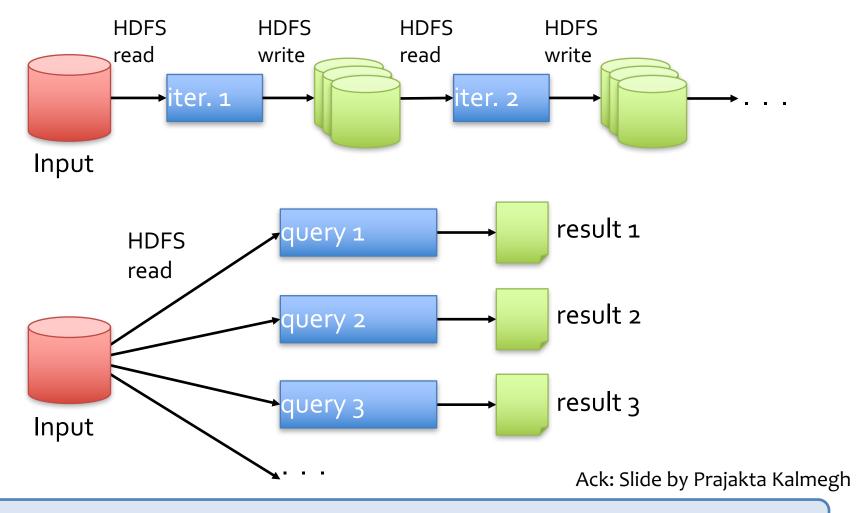


We will focus on the Python dialect, although Spark supports multiple languages

Why a New Programming Model?

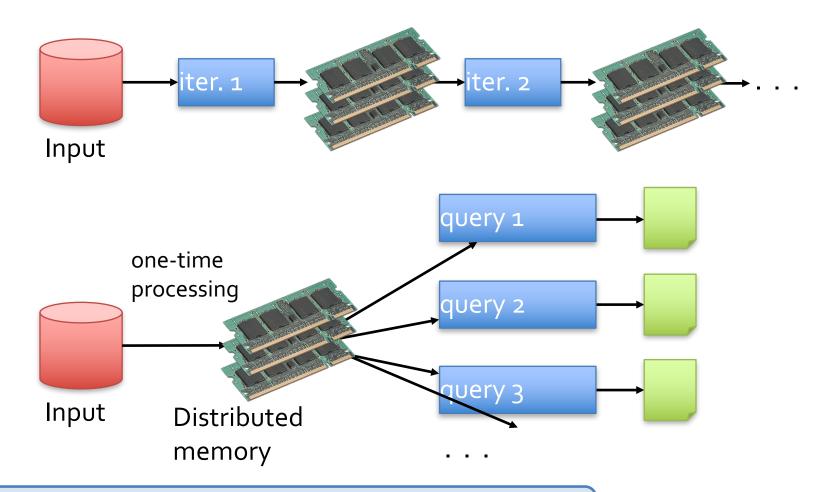
- MapReduce greatly simplified big data analysis
- But as soon as it got popular, users wanted more:
 - More complex, multi-stage iterative applications (graph algorithms, machine learning)
 - More interactive ad-hoc queries
 - More real-time online processing
- All three of these apps require fast data sharing across parallel jobs

Data Sharing in MapReduce



Slow due to replication, serialization, and disk IO

Data Sharing in Spark



10-100× faster than network and disk

Ack: Slide by Prajakta Kalmegh

Addressing inefficiencies in Hadoop

Hadoop: no automatic optimization

Spark

- Allow program to be a DAG of DB-like operators, with less reliance on black-box code
- Delay evaluation as much as possible
- Fuse operators into stages and compile each stage
- Hadoop: too many I/Os
 - E.g., output of each M/R job is always written to disk
 - But such checkpointing simplifies failure recovery

Spark

- Keep intermediate results in memory
- Instead of checkpointing, use "lineage" for recovery

RDDs

- Spark stores all intermediate results as Resilient Distributed Datasets (RDDs)
 - Immutable, memory-resident, and distributed across multiple nodes
- Spark also tracks the "lineage" of RDDs, i.e., what expressions computed them
 - Can be done at the partition level

What happens to a RDD if a node crashes?

- The partition of this RDD on this node will be lost
- But with lineage, the master simply recomputes the a lost partition when needed
 - Requires recursive recomputation if input RDD partitions are also missing

Example: votes & explanations

- Raw data reside in lots of JSON files obtained from ProPublica API
- Each vote: URI (id), question, description, date, time, result
- Each explanation: member id, name, state, party, vote URI, date, text, category
 - E.g., "Pooo523", "David E. Price", "NC", "D", "https://api.propublica.org/congress/v1/115/house/sessions/2/votes/269.json", "2018-06-20", "Mr. Speaker, due to adverse weather and numerous flight delays and cancellations in North Carolina, I was unable to vote yesterday during Roll Call 269, the motion...", "Travel difficulties"

Basic M/R with Spark RDD

```
explain fields = ('member id', 'name', 'state', 'party', 'vote api uri',
           'date', 'text', 'category')
# Map function: map(k_1, v_1) \rightarrow list(k_2, v_2)
def rdd count by category map(record):
  if len(record) == len(explain fields):
     return [(record[explain_fields.index('category')], 1)]
  else:
     return []
                             reduce(k_2, list(v_2)) \rightarrow list(v_3)
# Reduce function:
def rdd count by category reduce(record):
  key, vals = record
  return [(key, len(vals))]
```

Basic M/R with Spark RDD

```
# setting up one RDD that contains all the input:
rdd = sc. ...
# count number of explanations by category; order by
# number (descending) and then category (ascending):
result = rdd
                                                                           Be lazy: build up a DAG of
                                                                           "transformations," but
    .flatMap(rdd count by category map)\
                                                                          no evaluation yet!
    .groupByKey()\
    .flatMap(rdd count by category reduce)\
                                                                          Optimize & evaluate
    .sortBy(lambda x: (-x[1], x[0]))
                                                                           the whole DAG only
for row in result.collect():
                                                                           when needed, e.g.,
                                                                           triggered by "actions"
  print('|'.join(str(field) for field in row))
                                                                          like collect()
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Be careful: Spark RDDs support map() and reduce() too, but they are not the same as those in MapReduce

Moving "BD" to "DB"

Each element in a RDD is an opaque object—hard to program

- Why don't we make each element a "row" with named columns—easier to refer to in processing
 - RDD becomes a DataFrame (name from the R language)
 - Still immutable, memory-resident, and distributed
- Then why don't we have database-like operators instead of just MapReduce?
 - Knowing their semantics allows more optimization
- Spark in fact pushed the idea further
 - Spark Dataset = DataFrame with type-checking
 - And just run SQL over Datasets using SparkSQL!

Spark DataFrame

```
from pyspark.sql import functions as F
explain fields = ('member id', 'name', 'state', 'party', 'vote api uri',
           'date', 'text', 'category')
# setting up a DataFrame of explanations:
df explain = sc. ...
# count number of explanations by category; order by
# number (descending) and then category (ascending):
df explain.groupBy('category')\
      .agg(F.count('name'))\
      .withColumnRenamed('count(name)', 'count')\
      .sort(['count', 'category'], ascending=[0, 1])\
      .show(10000, truncate=False)
```

Another Spark DataFrame Example

```
from pyspark.sql import functions as F
                                                                                              Check yourself
vote fields = ('vote uri', 'question', 'description', 'date', 'time', 'result')
explain_fields = ('member id', 'name', 'state', 'party', 'vote api uri',
          'date', 'text', 'category')
# setting up DataFrames for each type of data:
                                                    For each vote, find out which legislators provided
df votes = sc. ...
                                                    explanations; order by the number of such legislators
df explain = sc. ...
                                                    (descending), then date and time (descending)
# what does the following do?
df votes.join(df explain.select('vote api uri', 'name'),
        df votes.vote uri == df explain.vote api uri, 'left outer')\
     .groupBy('vote uri', 'date', 'time', 'question', 'description', 'result')\
    .agg(F.count('name'), F.collect list('name'))\
    .withColumnRenamed('count(name)', 'count')\
    .withColumnRenamed('collect list(name)', 'names')\
    .sort(['count', 'date', 'time'], ascending=[0, 0, 0])\
    .select('vote_uri', 'date', 'time', 'question', 'description', 'result',
         'count', 'names')\
     .show(20, truncate=False)
```