# Smart Meter Data Analytics

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#### **Outline**

- Benchmarking smart meter data analytic technologies
- Smart meter data analytics system (SMAS)
  - Demo

#### Introduction

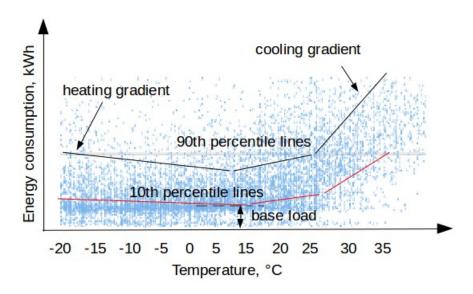
- The widely use of smart meters makes the data analytic possible
- Smart data analytics can help energy providers and consumers understand and reduce energy usage
- Diverse analytic technologies appear
  - What technologies to be used?
  - Best practices?
- The need of data generator

## The benchmark technologies

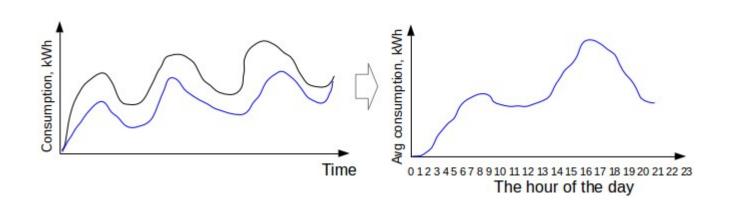
- Centralized Systems:
  - The traditional analytic tool: Matlab
  - In-database analytic tool: MADLib in PostgreSQL
  - In-memory column store: System C (KDB)
- Distributed Computing Systems:
  - Main memory based: Spark
  - Hadoop based: Hive

## The benchmark algorithms

• 3-Line algorithm:

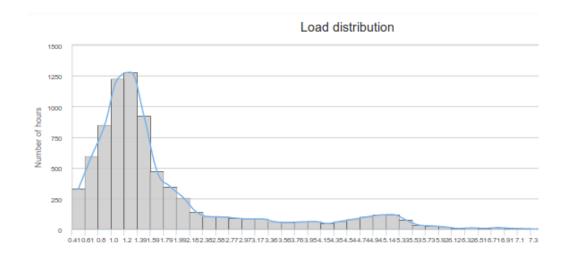


Periodic auto-regression (PAR):



## The benchmark algorithms

Histogram:

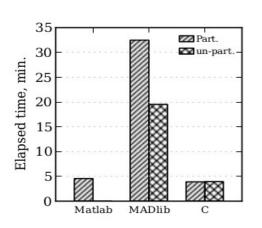


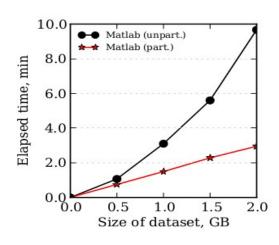
Cosine similarity:

$$\frac{X \cdot Y}{||X|| * ||Y||}$$

### **Experiments - centralized systems**

- Using real-world (Essex 10GB) and synthetic data sets
  - Data loading: partition vs. non-partition
  - Impact of partitioning on performance
  - Cold start vs. warm start





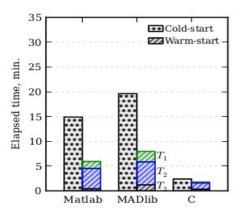


Figure 4: Data loading times, 10GB real dataset.

Figure 5: Impact of data partitioning on analytics, 3-line algorithm.

Figure 6: Cold-start vs. warm-start, 3-line algorithm, 10GB real dataset.

### **Experiments - centralized systems**

 Execution times of using real-world data sets (10GB essex)

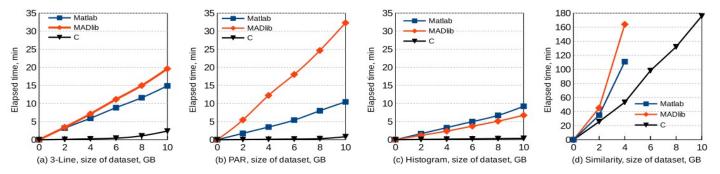


Figure 7: Single-threaded execution times of each algorithm using each system.

Execution times using large synthetic data sets.

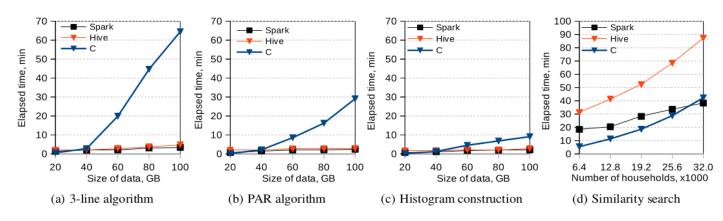


Figure 11: Execution times using large synthetic data sets.

- Cluster: one master node + 16 slave nodes
- Test systems: Spark and Hive
- Use three types of data formats:
  - 1st Format: one file (that may be partitioned arbitrarily) with one smart meter reading per line
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Format: One file with one household per line (i.e., all the readings from a single household on a single line)
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> Format: Many files, with one or more households per file (but no household scattered among many files)
- Measure the scalability and speedup

• The execution times and speedup of the 1st data format:

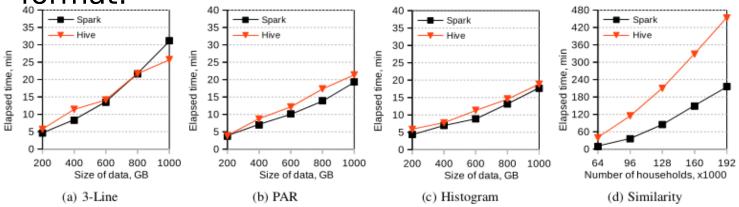


Figure 13: Execution times using the first data format in Spark and Hive.

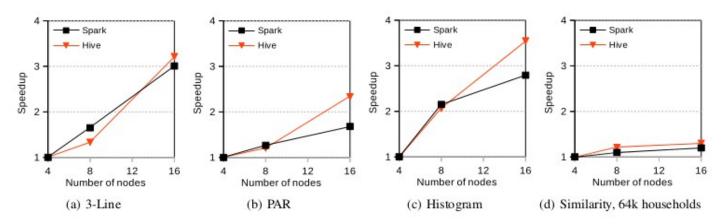


Figure 14: Speedup obtained using the first data format in Spark and Hive.

• The execution times and speedups of the 2<sup>nd</sup> data format:

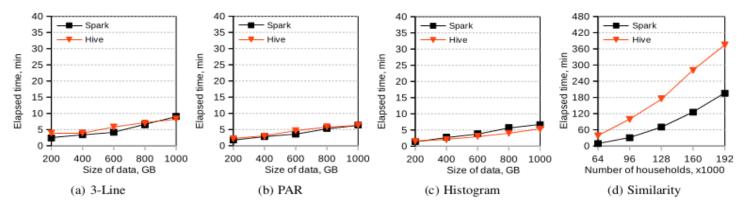


Figure 16: Execution times using the second data format in Spark and Hive.

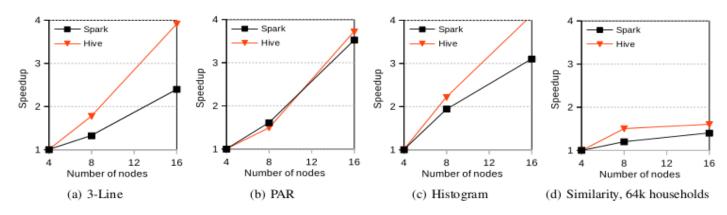


Figure 17: Speedup obtained using the second data format in Spark and Hive.

 The execution times and speedups of the 3rd data format:

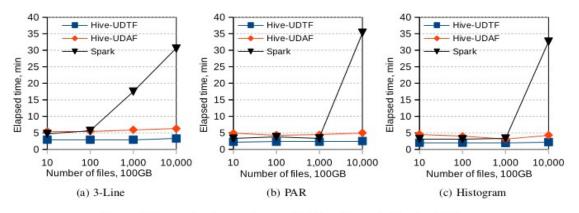


Figure 18: Execution times using the third data format in Spark and Hive.

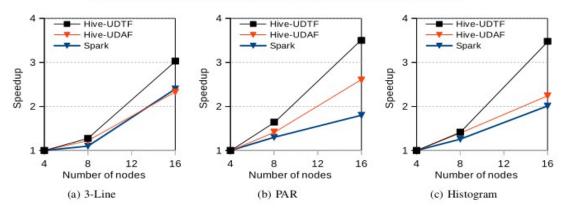


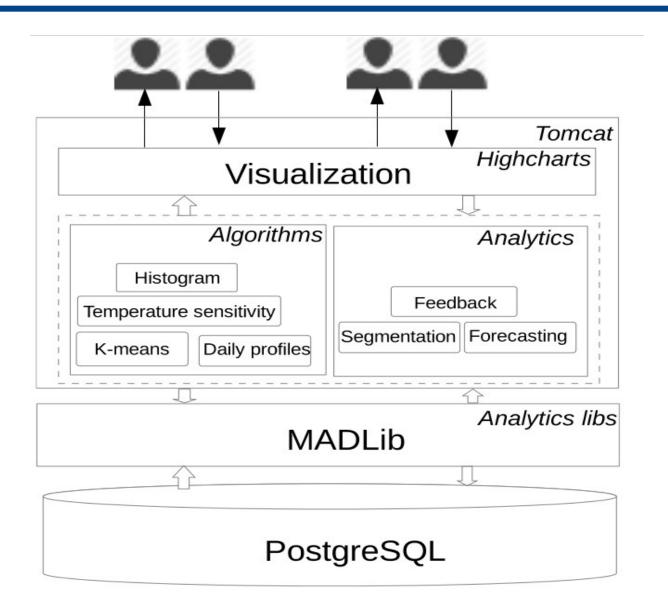
Figure 19: Speedup obtained using the third data format in Spark and Hive, 100 files, 1GB per file.

#### Summary

- Centralized Systems:
  - System C is the best choices for smart meter data analytics
  - Matlab and MADlib are more programmer-friendly but slower
  - Matlab works better for each time-series in a separate file
- Distributed Computing Systems:
  - Suitable for the analytics of large-scale data sets
  - Spark is faster than Hive, but Hive scale slightly better, and is easier to implement
- The data format does matter with the implementation, and the performance

## Smart Meter Data Analytics System (SMAS)

## **System Architecture**



#### Roles of the use

- 1. Utilities
- 2. Energy consultants
- 3. Energy consumers

#### **Functionalities**

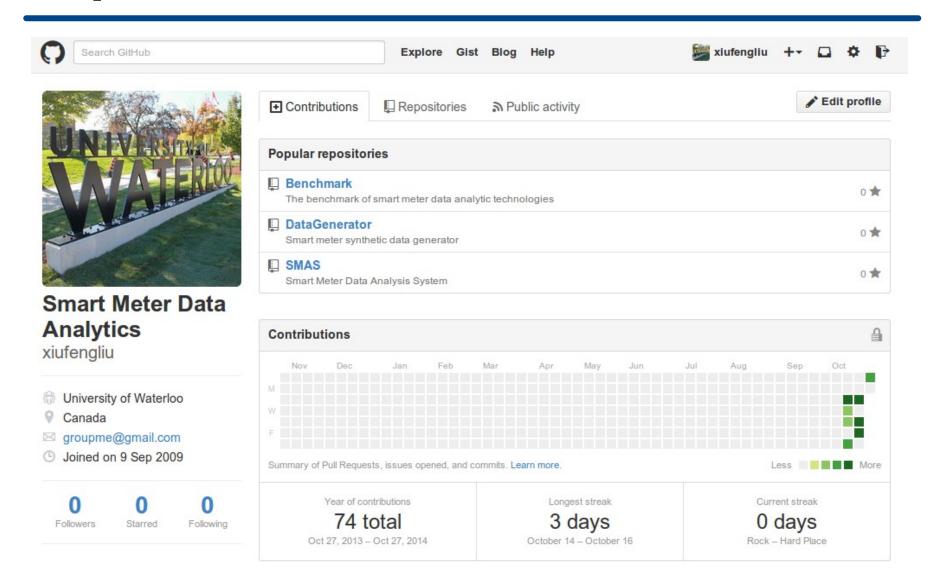
- Energy consumption time series analytics
  - Time and location dimensions
  - Different granularities
- Segmentation analytics
  - Cluster customers with similar consumption patters
  - Show on Google map

#### **Functionalities**

- Energy demand forecasting
- Pattern discovery
  - Load profiling
  - Load distribution
  - Load disaggregation
- Consumption comparison
- Customer feedback

# Demo

#### Open source - https://github.com/xiufengliu



# Questions?