

#### Large Scale Graph Processing - X-Stream and GraphX

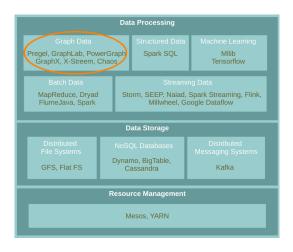
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#### Where Are We?













- ▶ Difficult to extract parallelism based on partitioning of the data.
- ▶ Difficult to express parallelism based on partitioning of computation.



# Think Like an Edge

Could we compute big graphs on a single machine?



► Vertex-centric gather-scatter: iterates over vertices

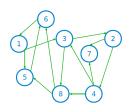
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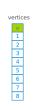
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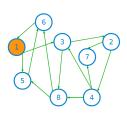


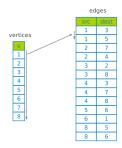
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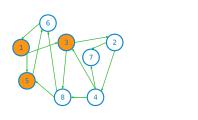


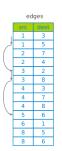
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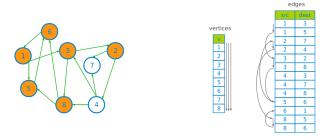
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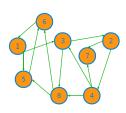


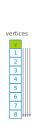
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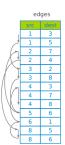
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## X-Stream



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- ► Edge-centric scatter-gather model.



- Disk-based processing
  - Graph traversal = random access
  - Random access is inefficient for storage

Medium	Read (MB/s)		Write (MB/s)	
	Random	Sequential	Random	Sequential
RAM	567	2605	1057	2248
SSD	22.64	355	49.16	298
Disk	0.61	174	1.27	170

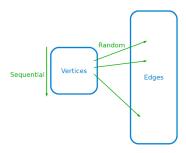
Note: 64 byte cachelines, 4K blocks (disk random), 16M chunks (disk sequential)

Eiko Y., and Roy A., "Scale-up Graph Processing: A Storage-centric View", 2013.



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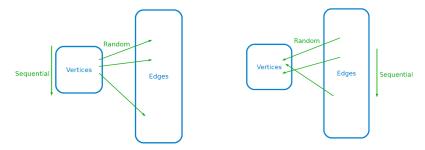
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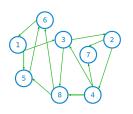
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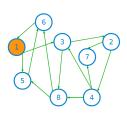


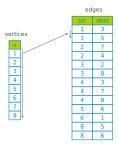
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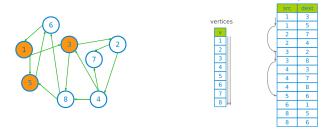


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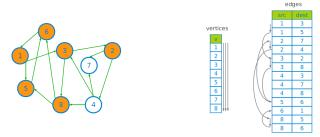
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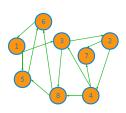


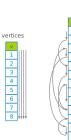
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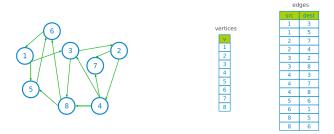
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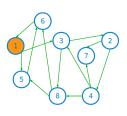


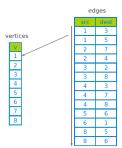
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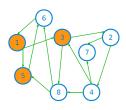


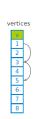
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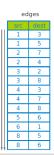
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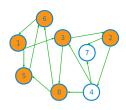


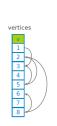
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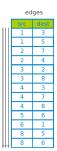
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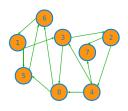


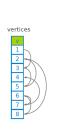
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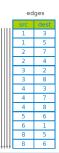
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#### Vertex-Centric vs. Edge-Centric Tradeoff

► Vertex-centric scatter-gather: EdgeData
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► Edge-centric scatter-gather: Scatters×EdgeData SequentialAccessBandwidth

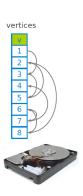
► Sequential Access Bandwidth ≫ Random Access Bandwidth.

► Few scatter gather iterations for real world graphs.



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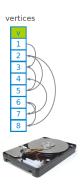
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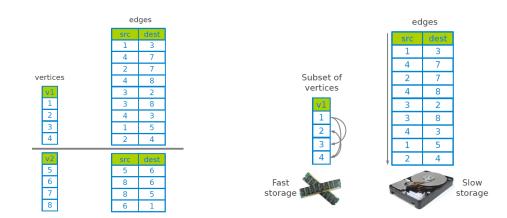
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Solution
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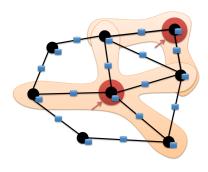
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        edge_gather(u)
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# Think Like a Table

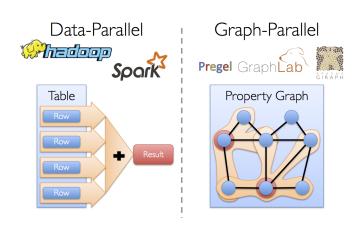


## Graph-Parallel Processing Model





#### Data-Parallel vs. Graph-Parallel Computation





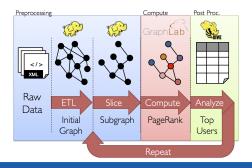
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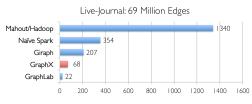
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- ► The same restrictions make it difficult and inefficient to express many stages in a typical graph-analytics pipeline.





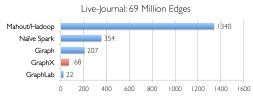
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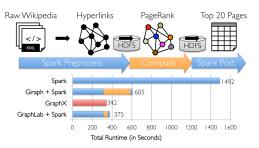
Runtime (in seconds, PageRank for 10 iterations)



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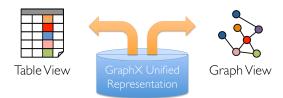








- ▶ Unifies data-parallel and graph-parallel systems.
- ▶ Tables and Graphs are composable views of the same physical data.





# GraphX



- ► GraphX is the library to perform graph-parallel processing in Spark.
- ► In-memory caching.
- ► Lineage-based fault tolerance.





#### The Property Graph Data Model

- ► Spark represent graph structured data as a property graph.
- ▶ It is logically represented as a pair of vertex and edge property collections.





Vertex Table		
ld	Property (V)	
3	(rxin, student)	
7	(jgonzal, postdoc)	
5	(franklin, professor)	

## (istoica, professor) Edge Table

SrcId	Dstld	Property (E)
3	7	Collaborator
5	3	Advisor
2	5	Colleague
5	7	PI

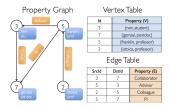


#### The Vertex Collection

▶ VertexRDD: contains the vertex properties keyed by the vertex ID.

```
class Graph[VD, ED] {
  val vertices: VertexRDD[VD]
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}

// VD: the type of the vertex attribute
abstract class VertexRDD[VD] extends RDD[(VertexId, VD)]
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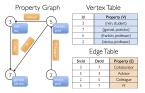


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}

// ED: the type of the edge attribute
case class Edge[ED](srcId: VertexId, dstId: VertexId, attr: ED)
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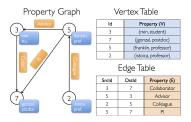


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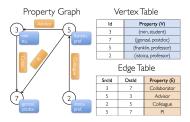
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- ► The EdgeTriplet class extends the Edge class by adding the srcAttr and dstAttr members, which contain the source and destination properties respectively.





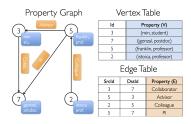




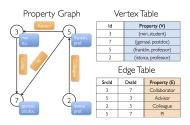


```
val relationships: RDD[Edge[String]] = sc.parallelize(Array(Edge(3L, 7L, "collab"),
    Edge(5L, 3L, "advisor"), Edge(2L, 5L, "colleague"), Edge(5L, 7L, "pi"), Edge(5L, 1L, "-")))
```











#### **Graph Operators**

- ► Information about the graph
- Property operators
- Structural operators
- ► Joins
- ► Aggregation
- ► Iterative computation
- **.**..



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val numEdges: Long
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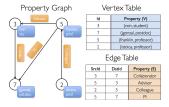
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Views of the graph as collections

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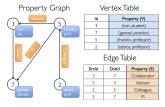
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```
// Constructed from above val graph: Graph[(String, String), String]
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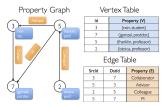
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def mapEdges[ED2](map: Edge[ED] => ED2): Graph[VD, ED2]
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def mapEdges[ED2](map: Edge[ED] => ED2): Graph[VD, ED2]
def mapTriplets[ED2](map: EdgeTriplet[VD, ED] => ED2): Graph[VD, ED2]

val relations: RDD[String] = graph.triplets.map(triplet => triplet.srcAttr._1 + " is the " + triplet.attr + " of " + triplet.dstAttr._1)
relations.collect.foreach(println)
```



#### **Property Operators**

- ► Transform vertex and edge attributes
- ► Each of these operators yields a new graph with the vertex or edge properties modified by the user defined map function.



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def joinVertices[U](table: RDD[(VertexId, U)])(map: (VertexId, VD, U) => VD): Graph[VD, ED]
```

- ▶ joinVertices joins the vertices with the input RDD.
  - Returns a new graph with the vertex properties obtained by applying the user defined map function to the result of the joined vertices.
  - Vertices without a matching value in the RDD retain their original value.

```
def joinVertices[U](table: RDD[(VertexId, U)])(map: (VertexId, VD, U) => VD): Graph[VD, ED]

val rdd: RDD[(VertexId, String)] = sc.parallelize(Array((3L, "phd")))

val joinedGraph = graph.joinVertices(rdd)((id, user, role) => (user._1, role + " " + user._2))

joinedGraph.vertices.collect.foreach(println)
```

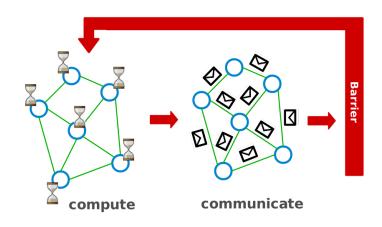
aggregateMessages applies a user defined sendMsg function to each edge triplet in the graph and then uses the mergeMsg function to aggregate those messages at their destination vertex.

```
def aggregateMessages[Msg: ClassTag](
  sendMsg: EdgeContext[VD, ED, Msg] => Unit, // map
  mergeMsg: (Msg, Msg) => Msg, // reduce
  tripletFields: TripletFields = TripletFields.All):
  VertexRDD[Msg]
```

```
// count and list the name of friends of each user
val profs: VertexRDD[(Int, String)] = validUserGraph.aggregateMessages[(Int, String)](
    // map
    triplet => {
        triplet.sendToDst((1, triplet.srcAttr._1))
    },
    // reduce
    (a, b) => (a._1 + b._1, a._2 + " " + b._2)
)
profs.collect.foreach(println)
```



### Iterative Computation (1/9)



#### Iterative Computation (2/9)

```
i_val := val

for each message m
   if m > val then val := m

if i_val == val then
   vote_to_halt
else
   for each neighbor v
        send_message(v, val)
```



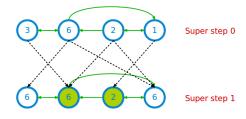
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## Iterative Computation (3/9)

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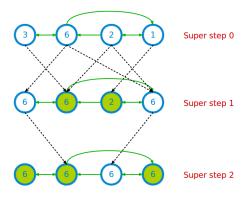


## Iterative Computation (4/9)

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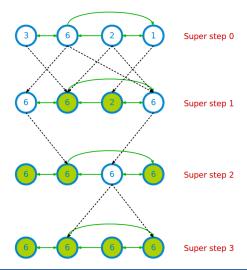


#### Iterative Computation (5/9)

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i_val := val

for each message m
   if m > val then val := m

if i_val == val then
   vote_to_halt
else
   for each neighbor v
        send_message(v, val)
```





#### Iterative Computation (6/9)

▶ pregel takes two argument lists: graph.pregel(list1)(list2).

```
def pregel[A]
  (initialMsg: A, maxIter: Int = Int.MaxValue, activeDir: EdgeDirection = EdgeDirection.Out)
  (vprog: (VertexId, VD, A) => VD, sendMsg: EdgeTriplet[VD, ED] => Iterator[(VertexId, A)],
    mergeMsg: (A, A) => A):
  Graph[VD, ED]
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- ► The first list contains configuration parameters
  - The initial message, the maximum number of iterations, and the edge direction in which to send messages.
- ▶ The second list contains the user defined functions.
  - Gather: mergeMsg, Apply: vprog, Scatter: sendMsg

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```

#### Iterative Computation (7/9)

```
import org.apache.spark._
import org.apache.spark.graphx._
import org.apache.spark.rdd.RDD

val initialMsg = -9999

val vertices: RDD[(VertexId, (Int, Int))] = sc.parallelize(Array((1L, (1, -1)), (2L, (2, -1)), (3L, (3, -1)), (6L, (6, -1))))

val relationships: RDD[Edge[Boolean]] = sc.parallelize(Array(Edge(1L, 2L, true), Edge(2L, 1L, true), Edge(2L, 6L, true), Edge(3L, 6L, true), Edge(6L, 3L, true)))

val graph = Graph(vertices, relationships)
```





#### Iterative Computation (8/9)

```
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// Apply: the function for receiving messages
def vprog(vertexId: VertexId, value: (Int, Int), message: Int): (Int, Int) = {
   if (message == initialMsg)
     value
   else
     (math.max(message, value._1), value._1)
}
```



#### Iterative Computation (8/9)

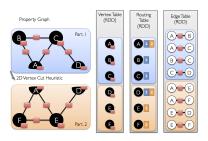
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 if (message == initialMsg)
   value
  else
    (math.max(message, value._1), value._1)
// Scatter: the function for computing messages
def sendMsg(triplet: EdgeTriplet[(Int, Int), Boolean]): Iterator[(VertexId, Int)] = {
 val sourceVertex = triplet.srcAttr
  if (sourceVertex. 1 == sourceVertex. 2)
   Iterator.empty
  else
    Iterator((triplet.dstId, sourceVertex._1))
```

# Iterative Computation (9/9)



#### **Graph Representation**

- Vertex-cut partitioning
- ► Representing graphs using two RDDs: edge-collection and vertex-collection
- ▶ Routing table: a logical map from a vertex id to the set of edge partitions that contains adjacent edges.





# Summary



- ► Think like an edge
  - XStream: edge-centric GAS, streaming partition
- ► Think like a table
  - Graphx: unifies data-parallel and graph-parallel systems.

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# Questions?