

# A Demonstration of SpatialHadoop

An Efficient MapReduce Framework for Spatial Data

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## Introduction

Nowadays, there is a recent explosion of spatial datasets generated by different sources.

Hadoop is ill-equipped for supporting spatial data because it focuses mainly on specific data types and operations.

SpatialHadoop as the first full-fledged MapReduce framework with native support for spatial data

## Introduction

#### **HADOOP:**

```
Objects = LOAD 'points' AS (id:int, x:int, y:int);
FILTER Objects BY x < x2 AND x > x1 AND y < y2 AND y > y1;
```

#### **SPATIALHADOOP:**

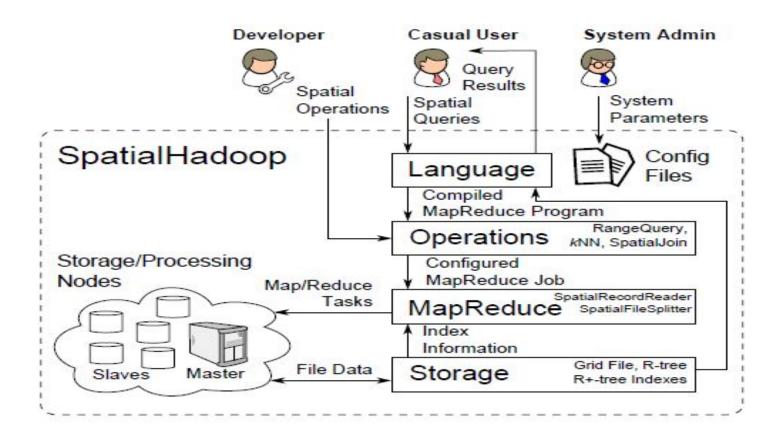
Objects = LOAD 'points' AS (id:int, Location:POINT); FILTER Objects BY Overlaps (Location, Rectangle(x1, y1, x2, y2));

# **SpatialHadoop:**

SpatialHadoop is a comprehensive extension to Hadoop that pushes spatial constructs and the awareness of spatial data inside Hadoop code base.

SpatialHadoop pushes its spatial constructs in all layers of Hadoop, namely, **language**, **storage**, **MapReduce** and **operations** layers.

## SpatialHadoop's Architecture:



## Language layer:

Spatialhadoop provides a built-in support for spatial data types, spatial primitive functions, and spatial operations.

Datatypes: POINT, RECTANGLE, POLYGON

Spatial Primitive Functions: Distance, Overlaps, MBR

Spatial operations: range query, k-nearest neighbor, and spatial join

## Language layer:

SpatialHadoop extends Pig Latin by adding new spatial constructs while preserving the original functionality.

SpatialHadoop language overrides the keywords FILTER and JOIN to perform range query and spatial join.

houses = LOAD 'houses' AS (id:int, loc:point); nearest\_houses = KNN houses WITH\_K=100 USING Distance(loc, query\_loc);

# **Storage layer:**

SpatialHadoop adds new spatial indexes that are well adapted for the MapReduce environment.

This new technology is built in order to overcome the following challenges:

- traditional indexes are designed for the procedural programming paradigm.
- traditional indexes are designed for local file systems.

# **Storage layer:**

SpatialHadoop implemented a new technology; it organises it index's into two level:

- Global indexing
- Local Indexing

The global index is stored in the master node while each local index is stored in a one file block of (64MB) in a slave node.

## MapReduce Layer:

SpatialHadoop introduces two new components in the MapReduce layer:

- SpatialFileSplitter
- SpatialRecordReader.

## MapReduce Layer:

#### SpatialFileSplitter:

The SpatialFileSplitter takes as input one or two spatially indexed files in addition to a user provided filter function. Then, it uses the global index to prune file blocks that do not contribute to the query answer

## MapReduce Layer:

#### SpatialRecordReader:

The SpatialRecordReader utilizes the local index by allowing records in one block to be accessed through the local index instead of iterating over all records one-by-one.

**Range query**, **kNN**, and **spatial join** as three case studies of how to exploit the new storage and MapReduce layers in SpatialHadoop

#### Range query:

- the SpatialFileSplitter uses the global index to select only the partitions that overlap the query rang
- Each of the selected partitions goes through a SpatialRecordReader
- It executes a traditional range query on that index to find matching records
- The reference point duplicate avoidance technique is employed on the matching records to ensure that each answer record is reported exactly once.

**k-nearest-neighbor**: The operation is carried out in two iterations:

- the SpatialFileSplitter uses the global index to select the partition that contains the query point.
- The local index in that partition is extracted and used to find the kNN in that partition
- a test circle is drawn with the query point as the center and the distance to the kth neighbor as radius
- If it overlaps with other partitions, a second iteration is carried out to process those overlapping partitions.

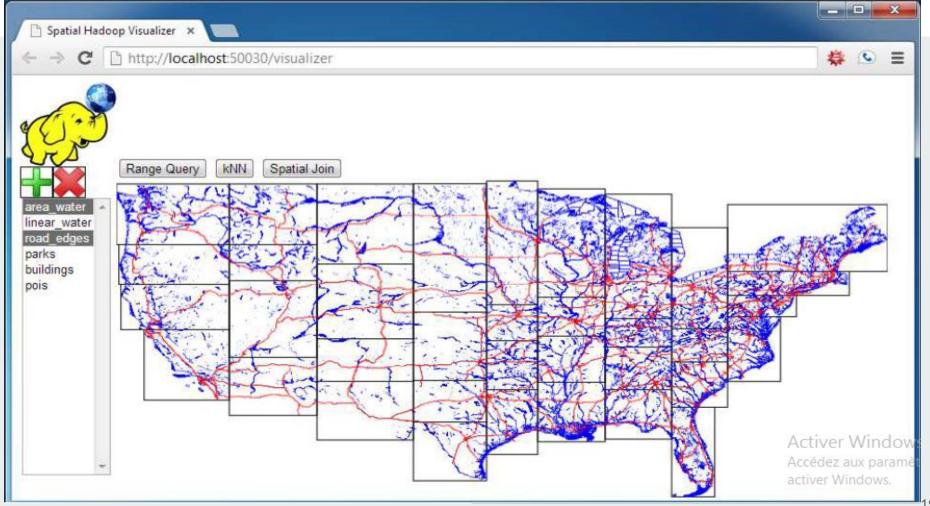
#### **Spatial join:**

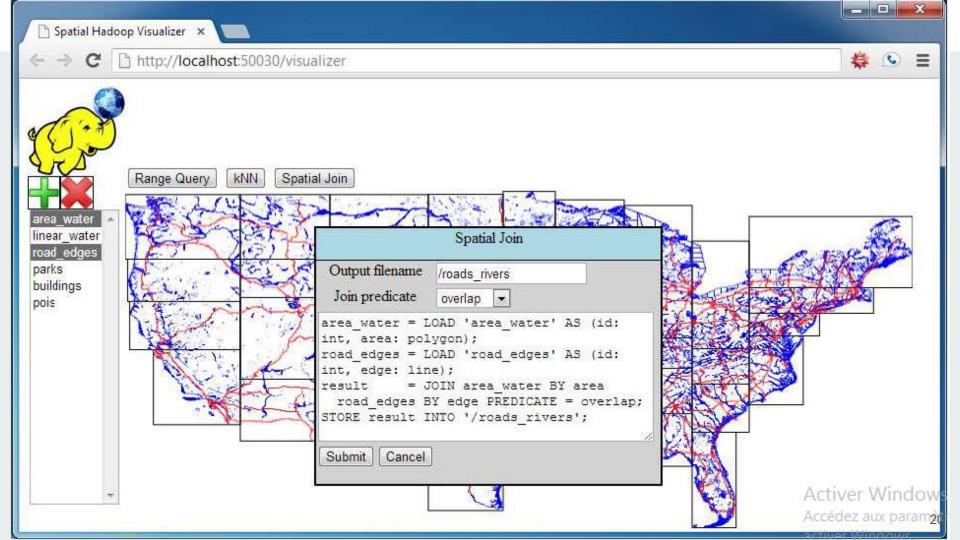
- The SpatialFileSplitter uses the two global indexes in both files to find all pairs of overlapping partitions.
- Each pair of overlapping partitions is processed by a SpatialRecordReader, which uses the local indexes in both files to find overlapping records.

## **Demonstration:**

A prototype system was deployed in order to demonstrate how Spatial Hadoop works.

The cluster is loaded with two real datasets obtained from Tiger files and OpenStreetMap





## Conclusion:

Spatial Hadoop is an efficient and a great addition to Geo Spatial data analysis.

It is dedicated to be implemented in GIS that contains a lot of data to process, with it's geospatial oriented functions. Spatial Hadoop has proven itself as the first goto big-data analysis framework

## References:

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