5. Word Count

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1 Word Count

Counting the number of occurances of words in a text is a popular first exercise using map-reduce.

1.1 The Task

Input: A text file consisisting of words separated by spaces.

Output: A list of words and their counts, sorted from the most to the least common.

We will use the book "Moby Dick" as our input.

r = requests.get(url, allow_redirects=True)
open(local_path, 'wb').write(r.content)

1.2 Download data file from S3

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In [11]: %%time

##If this cell fails, download the file from https://mas-dse-open.s3.amazonaws.com/Mo
# and put it in the '../../Data/ directory
import requests
data_dir='../../Data'
filename='Moby-Dick.txt'
url = "https://mas-dse-open.s3.amazonaws.com/"+filename
local_path = data_dir+'/'+filename
!mkdir -p {data_dir}
# Copy URL content to local_path
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!ls -l $local_path
                                               Traceback (most recent call last)
    gaierror
    /opt/conda/lib/python3.6/site-packages/urllib3/connection.py in _new_conn(self)
    140
                    conn = connection.create_connection(
                        (self.host, self.port), self.timeout, **extra kw)
--> 141
    142
    /opt/conda/lib/python3.6/site-packages/urllib3/util/connection.py in create_connection
     59
---> 60
            for res in socket.getaddrinfo(host, port, family, socket.SOCK_STREAM):
     61
                af, socktype, proto, canonname, sa = res
    /opt/conda/lib/python3.6/socket.py in getaddrinfo(host, port, family, type, proto, flagorial)
            addrlist = []
    744
            for res in _socket.getaddrinfo(host, port, family, type, proto, flags):
--> 745
    746
                af, socktype, proto, canonname, sa = res
    gaierror: [Errno -3] Temporary failure in name resolution
During handling of the above exception, another exception occurred:
    NewConnectionError
                                               Traceback (most recent call last)
    /opt/conda/lib/python3.6/site-packages/urllib3/connectionpool.py in urlopen(self, meth-
    600
                                                           body=body, headers=headers,
--> 601
                                                           chunked=chunked)
    602
    /opt/conda/lib/python3.6/site-packages/urllib3/connectionpool.py in _make_request(self
    345
                try:
--> 346
                    self._validate_conn(conn)
                except (SocketTimeout, BaseSSLError) as e:
    347
```

check that the text file is where we expect it to be

/opt/conda/lib/python3.6/site-packages/urllib3/connectionpool.py in _validate_conn(sel

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849
                if not getattr(conn, 'sock', None): # AppEngine might not have `.sock`
--> 850
                    conn.connect()
    851
    /opt/conda/lib/python3.6/site-packages/urllib3/connection.py in connect(self)
                # Add certificate verification
                conn = self._new_conn()
--> 284
    285
    /opt/conda/lib/python3.6/site-packages/urllib3/connection.py in _new_conn(self)
                    raise NewConnectionError(
--> 150
                        self, "Failed to establish a new connection: %s" % e)
    151
    NewConnectionError: <urllib3.connection.VerifiedHTTPSConnection object at 0x7f932d1b9b
During handling of the above exception, another exception occurred:
    MaxRetryError
                                              Traceback (most recent call last)
    /opt/conda/lib/python3.6/site-packages/requests/adapters.py in send(self, request, str
    439
                            retries=self.max_retries,
--> 440
                            timeout=timeout
                        )
    441
    /opt/conda/lib/python3.6/site-packages/urllib3/connectionpool.py in urlopen(self, meth-
    638
                    retries = retries.increment(method, url, error=e, _pool=self,
--> 639
                                                _stacktrace=sys.exc_info()[2])
                    retries.sleep()
    640
    /opt/conda/lib/python3.6/site-packages/urllib3/util/retry.py in increment(self, method
    387
                if new_retry.is_exhausted():
--> 388
                    raise MaxRetryError(_pool, url, error or ResponseError(cause))
    389
    MaxRetryError: HTTPSConnectionPool(host='mas-dse-open.s3.amazonaws.com', port=443): Max
```

During handling of the above exception, another exception occurred:

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ConnectionError
                                              Traceback (most recent call last)
    <timed exec> in <module>()
    /opt/conda/lib/python3.6/site-packages/requests/api.py in get(url, params, **kwargs)
    70
    71
            kwargs.setdefault('allow_redirects', True)
---> 72
            return request('get', url, params=params, **kwargs)
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    /opt/conda/lib/python3.6/site-packages/requests/api.py in request(method, url, **kwarg
            # cases, and look like a memory leak in others.
    57
            with sessions. Session() as session:
---> 58
                return session.request(method=method, url=url, **kwargs)
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    /opt/conda/lib/python3.6/site-packages/requests/sessions.py in request(self, method, us
    506
    507
                send_kwargs.update(settings)
--> 508
                resp = self.send(prep, **send_kwargs)
    509
    510
                return resp
    /opt/conda/lib/python3.6/site-packages/requests/sessions.py in send(self, request, **k
    616
                # Send the request
    617
--> 618
                r = adapter.send(request, **kwargs)
    619
                # Total elapsed time of the request (approximately)
    620
    /opt/conda/lib/python3.6/site-packages/requests/adapters.py in send(self, request, str
    506
                        raise SSLError(e, request=request)
    507
--> 508
                    raise ConnectionError(e, request=request)
    509
    510
                except ClosedPoolError as e:
    ConnectionError: HTTPSConnectionPool(host='mas-dse-open.s3.amazonaws.com', port=443):
```

1.3 Define an RDD that will read the file

- Execution of read is lazy
- File has been opened.
- Reading starts when stage is executed.

1.4 Steps for counting the words

- split line by spaces.
- map word to (word,1)
- count the number of occurances of each word.

1.4.1 flatMap()

Note the line:

```
words = text_file.flatMap(lambda line: line.split(" "))
```

Why are we using flatMap, rather than map?

The reason is that the operation line.split(" ") generates a **list** of strings, so had we used map the result would be an RDD of lists of words. Not an RDD of words.

The difference between map and flatMap is that the second expects to get a list as the result from the map and it **concatenates** the lists to form the RDD.

1.5 The execution plan

In the last cell we defined the execution plan, but we have not started to execute it.

- Preparing the plan took ~100ms, which is a non-trivial amount of time,
- But much less than the time it will take to execute it.
- Lets have a look a the execution plan.

1.5.1 Understanding the details

To see which step in the plan corresponds to which RDD we print out the execution plan for each of the RDDs.

Note that the execution plan for words, not_empty and key_values are all the same.

```
In [35]: pretty_print_plan(text_file)
(2) ../../Data/Moby-Dick.txt MapPartitionsRDD[1] at textFile at NativeMethodAccessorImpl.java:
 | ../../Data/Moby-Dick.txt HadoopRDD[0] at textFile at NativeMethodAccessorImpl.java:0 []
In [36]: pretty_print_plan(words)
(2) PythonRDD[9] at RDD at PythonRDD.scala:48 []
 | ../../Data/Moby-Dick.txt MapPartitionsRDD[1] at textFile at NativeMethodAccessorImpl.java:
 | ../../Data/Moby-Dick.txt HadoopRDD[0] at textFile at NativeMethodAccessorImpl.java:0 []
In [37]: pretty_print_plan(not_empty)
(2) PythonRDD[8] at RDD at PythonRDD.scala:48 []
 | ../../Data/Moby-Dick.txt MapPartitionsRDD[1] at textFile at NativeMethodAccessorImpl.java:
 | ../../Data/Moby-Dick.txt HadoopRDD[0] at textFile at NativeMethodAccessorImpl.java:0 []
In [38]: pretty_print_plan(key_values)
(2) PythonRDD[7] at RDD at PythonRDD.scala:48 []
 | ../../Data/Moby-Dick.txt MapPartitionsRDD[1] at textFile at NativeMethodAccessorImpl.java:
 | ../../Data/Moby-Dick.txt HadoopRDD[0] at textFile at NativeMethodAccessorImpl.java:0 []
In [39]: pretty_print_plan(counts)
(2) PythonRDD[23] at RDD at PythonRDD.scala:48 []
 | MapPartitionsRDD[22] at mapPartitions at PythonRDD.scala:122 []
 | ShuffledRDD[21] at partitionBy at NativeMethodAccessorImpl.java:0 []
 +-(2) PairwiseRDD[20] at reduceByKey at <timed exec>:1 []
    | PythonRDD[19] at reduceByKey at <timed exec>:1 []
    | ../../Data/Moby-Dick.txt MapPartitionsRDD[1] at textFile at NativeMethodAccessorImpl.ja
    | ../../Data/Moby-Dick.txt HadoopRDD[0] at textFile at NativeMethodAccessorImpl.java:0 []
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Execution plan	RDD	Comments
(2)_PythonRDD[6] at RDD at PythonRDD.scala:48 []	counts	Final RDD
_/MapPartitionsRDD[5] at mapPartitions at PythonRDD.scala:436 []	''	

Execution plan	RDD	Comments
_/ShuffledRDD[4] at partitionBy at	''	RDD
NativeMethodAccessorImpl.java:0 [is
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		ti-
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		tioned
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		source

1.6 Execution

Finally we count the number of times each word has occured. Now, finally, the Lazy execution model finally performs some actual work, which takes a significant amount of time.

```
print('Different words=%5.0f, total words=%6.0f, mean no. occurances per word=%4.2f'%
```

```
Different words=33781, total words=215133, mean no. occurances per word=6.37 CPU times: user 10.5 ms, sys: 7.39 ms, total: 17.9 ms
Wall time: 1.04 s
```

1.6.1 Amortization

When the same commands are performed repeatedly on the same data, the execution time tends to decrease in later executions.

The cells below are identical to the one above, with one exception at Run #3

Observe that Run #2 take much less time that Run #1. Even though no cache() was explicitly requested. The reason is that Spark caches (or materializes) key_values, before executing reduceByKey() because performing reduceByKey requires a shuffle, and a shuffle requires that the input RDD is materialized. In other words, sometime caching happens even if the programmer did not ask for it.

```
In [5]: %%time
    ## Run #2
        Count=counts.count()
        Sum=counts.map(lambda x:x[1]).reduce(lambda x,y:x+y)
        print('Different words=%5.0f, total words=%6.0f, mean no. occurances per word=%4.2f'%()

Different words=33781, total words=215133, mean no. occurances per word=6.37

CPU times: user 20 ms, sys: 10 ms, total: 30 ms
Wall time: 3.9 s
```

Explicit Caching In Run #3 we explicitly ask for counts to be cached. This will reduce the execution time in the following run by a little bit, but not by much.

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Sum=counts.map(lambda x:x[1]).reduce(lambda x,y:x+y)

Different words=33781, total words=215133, mean no. occurances per word=6.37

1.7 Summary

Wall time: 307 ms

This was our first real pyspark program, hurray!

Some things you learned:

- 1) An RDD is a distributed immutable array. It is the core data structure of Spark is an RDD.
- 2) You cannot operate on an RDD directly. Only through Transformations and Actions.
- 3) **Transformations** transform an RDD into another RDD.
- 4) **Actions** output their results on the head node.
- 5) After the action is done, you are using just the head node, not the workers.

Lazy Execution

- 1) RDD operations are added to an **Execution Plan**.
- 2) The plan is executed when a result is needed.
- 3) Explicit and implicit caching cause internediate results to be saved.

Next: Finding the most common words.

2 Finding the most common words

- counts: RDD with 33301 pairs of the form (word, count).
- Find the 5 most frequent words.
- Method1: collect and sort on head node.
- Method2: Pure Spark, collect only at the end.

2.1 Method1: collect and sort on head node

2.1.1 Collect the RDD into the driver node

• Collect can take significant time.

2.1.2 Sort

- RDD collected into list in driver node.
- No longer using spark parallelism.
- Sort in python
- will not scale to very large documents.

2.1.3 Compute the mean number of occurances per word.

2.2 Method2: Pure Spark, collect only at the end.

- Collect into the head node only the more frquent words.
- Requires multiple stages

2.2.1 Step 1 split, clean and map to (word, 1)

```
In [12]: %%time
         word_pairs=text_file.flatMap(lambda x: x.split(' '))\
             .filter(lambda x: x!='')\
             .map(lambda word: (word,1))
CPU times: user 0 ns, sys: 0 ns, total: 0 ns
Wall time: 66.3 ts
```

2.2.2 Step 2 Count occurances of each word.

```
In [13]: %%time
         counts=word_pairs.reduceByKey(lambda x,y:x+y)
CPU times: user 10 ms, sys: 0 ns, total: 10 ms
Wall time: 37.5 ms
```

2.2.3 Step 3 Reverse (word, count) to (count, word) and sort by key

```
In [14]: %%time
         reverse_counts=counts.map(lambda x:(x[1],x[0]))
                                                           # reverse order of word and count
         sorted_counts=reverse_counts.sortByKey(ascending=False)
CPU times: user 30 ms, sys: 10 ms, total: 40 ms
Wall time: 1.49 s
```

2.2.4 Full execution plan

We now have a complete plan to compute the most common words in the text. Nothing has been executed yet! Not even a single byte has been read from the file Moby-Dick.txt!

```
For more on execution plans and lineage see jace Klaskowski's blog
In [40]: print('word_pairs:')
         pretty_print_plan(word_pairs)
         print('\ncounts:')
         pretty_print_plan(counts)
         print('\nreverse_counts:')
         pretty_print_plan(reverse_counts)
         print('\nsorted_counts:')
         pretty_print_plan(sorted_counts)
word_pairs:
(2) PythonRDD[18] at RDD at PythonRDD.scala:48 []
| ../../Data/Moby-Dick.txt MapPartitionsRDD[1] at textFile at NativeMethodAccessorImpl.java:
 | ../../Data/Moby-Dick.txt HadoopRDD[0] at textFile at NativeMethodAccessorImpl.java:0 []
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sorted_counts:

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/PythonRDD[16] at sortByKey at <timed exec="">:2 []</timed>	** counts,
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2.2.5 Step 4 Take the top 5 words

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In [15]: %%time
         D=sorted_counts.take(5)
         print('most common words\n'+'\n'.join(['\%d:\t\%s'\%c for c in D]))
most common words
13766:
              the
6587:
             of
5951:
             and
4533:
             a
4510:
             to
CPU times: user 10 ms, sys: 0 ns, total: 10 ms
Wall time: 398 ms
```

2.3 Summary

We showed two ways for finding the most common words: 1. Collecting and sorting at the head node. – Does not scale. 2. Using RDDs to the end.

See you next time!