

Basic Hadoop Commands

\$ hdfs dfs

Provides all the commands that you can run in HDFS

\$ hdfs dfs -ls

Will list all of the files and directories in the HDFS

\$ hdfs dfs -mkdir rawdata

Will make a new directory named 'rawdata' in HDFS

Copy the access_log file to the desktop in your VM (which adds it to the local filesystem on the VM). Now load the access_log file to the HDFS rawdata directory using the following command:

\$ hdfs dfs -put Desktop/access log rawdata

Now verify if the file is loaded

\$ hdfs dfs -ls rawdata

Now open the access_log file using the following command:

\$ hdfs dfs -cat rawdata/access log

To break the reading of the file, press Crtl+C

Now, go to the HDFS portal to see the details of how the files are stored. Use the URL

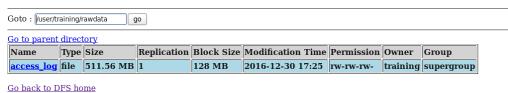
http://localhost:50070/dfshealth.jsp



DSCI 5350 – Big Data Analytics

Created by: Kashif Saeed

Contents of directory /user/training/rawdata

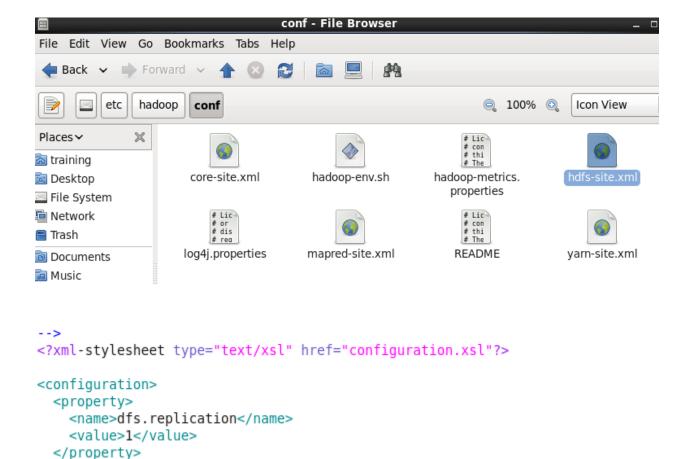


Notice that that replication for the Cloudera VM is set to 1 to save space and the block sizes are set to 128MB.

How can we change the default configurations on the VM to change the Replication and the Block size?

To change the default Hadoop settings, you will have to go to the local file system to the following directory:

/etc/hadoop/conf and modify the hdfs.xml file



dfs.replication is the name of the property that controls the replication factor in the Hadoop deployment.



DSCI 5350 - Big Data Analytics

Created by: Kashif Saeed

Similarly, there is a property named dfs.blocksize which captures the size of the blocks in bytes for the HDFS. The default for the block size is 128MB

Modifying the file using the VI editor

Enter the sudo command to edit the file using the vi editor

\$ sudo vi /etc/hadoop/conf/hdfs-site.xml

Press i to insert and make the change

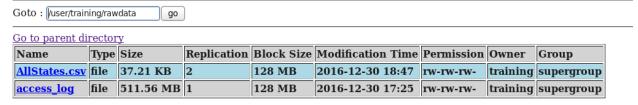
Then press Esc and then write :wq! to save

Now, copy the AllStates.csv file to the VM and then use the put command to store it in HDFS rawdata folder.

\$ hdfs dfs -put Desktop/AllStates.csv rawdata

Now look at the details of how the file is stored using the HDFS portal.

Contents of directory /user/training/rawdata



Go back to DFS home

Notice how the replication of this file is changed to 2.

Since we are using only one machine in this cluster, there is no point in storing each file twice. Change the replication back to 1.