Spark

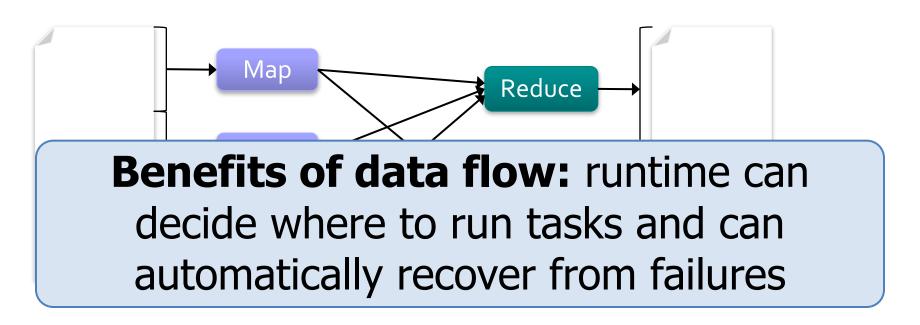
Slides from Matei Zaharia and Databricks

Goals

- Extend the MapReduce model to better support two common classes of analytics apps
 - Iterative algorithms (machine learning, graphs)
 - Interactive data mining
- Enhance programmability
 - Integrate into Scala programming language
 - Allow interactive use from Scala interpreter
 - Also support for Java, Python...

Cluster Programming Models

Most current cluster programming models are based on acyclic data flow from stable storage to stable storage



Acyclic Data Flow Inefficient ...

... for applications that repeatedly reuse a working set of data

- Iterative algorithms (machine learning, graphs)
- Interactive data mining (R, Excel, Python)

because apps have to reload data from stable storage on every query

Resilient Distributed Datasets

- Resilient distributed datasets (RDDs)
 - Immutable, partitioned collections of objects spread across a cluster, stored in RAM or on disk
 - Created through parallel transformations (map, filter, groupBy, join, ...) on data in stable storage
- Allow apps to cache working sets in memory for efficient reuse
- Retain the attractive properties of MapReduce
 - Fault tolerance, data locality, scalability
- Actions on RDDs support many applications
 - Count, reduce, collect, save...

Example: Log Mining

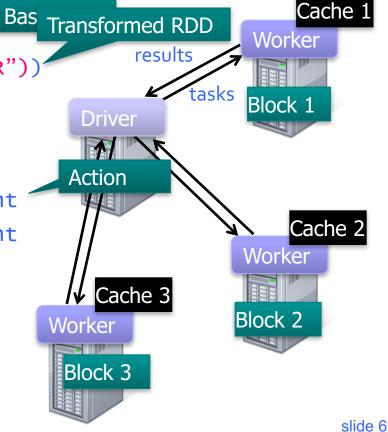
Load error messages from a log into memory, then interactively search for various patterns

lines = spark.textFile("hdfs://...")
errors = lines.filter(_.startsWith("ERROR"))
messages = errors.map(_.split('\t')(2))
cachedMsgs = messages.cache()

cachedMsgs.filter(_.contains("foo")).count
cachedMsgs.filter(_.contains("bar")).count

Full-text search of Wikipedia

60GB on 20 EC2 machine 0.5 sec vs. 20s for on-disk



Spark Operations

flatMap map union filter **Transformations** join sample groupByKey cogroup define a new RDD reduceByKey cross mapValues sortByKey collect **Actions** reduce count return a result to save driver program lookupKey

Creating RDDs

```
# Turn a Python collection into an RDD
>sc.parallelize([1, 2, 3])

# Load text file from local FS, HDFS, or S3
>sc.textFile("file.txt")
>sc.textFile("directory/*.txt")
>sc.textFile("hdfs://namenode:9000/path/file")

# Use existing Hadoop InputFormat (Java/Scala only)
>sc.hadoopFile(keyClass, valClass, inputFmt, conf)
```

Basic Transformations

```
> nums = sc.parallelize([1, 2, 3])
# Pass each element through a function
> squares = nums.map(lambda x: x*x) // {1, 4, 9}
# Keep elements passing a predicate
> even = squares.filter(lambda x: x % 2 == 0) // {4}
# Map each element to zero or more others
> nums.flatMap(lambda x: => range(x))
   > # => {0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 2}
                                Range object
                                (sequence of numbers 0, 1, ..., x-1)
```

Basic Actions

```
> nums = sc.parallelize([1, 2, 3])
# Retrieve RDD contents as a local collection
> nums.collect() # => [1, 2, 3]
# Return first K elements
> nums.take(2) # => [1, 2]
# Count number of elements
> nums.count() # => 3
# Merge elements with an associative function
> nums.reduce(lambda x, y: x + y) # => 6
# Write elements to a text file
> nums.saveAsTextFile("hdfs://file.txt")
```

Working with Key-Value Pairs

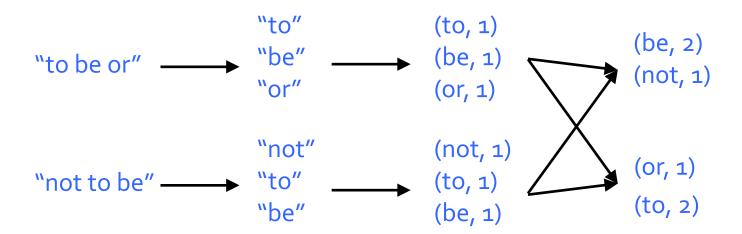
Spark's "distributed reduce" transformations operate on RDDs of key-value pairs

```
Python:
           pair = (a, b)
           pair[0] # => a
           pair[1] # => b
Scala:
           val pair = (a, b)
           pair. 1 // => a
           pair. 2 // => b
           Tuple2 pair = new Tuple2(a, b);
Java:
           pair. 1 // => a
           pair. 2 // => b
```

Some Key-Value Operations

reduceByKey also automatically implements combiners on the map side

Example: Word Count

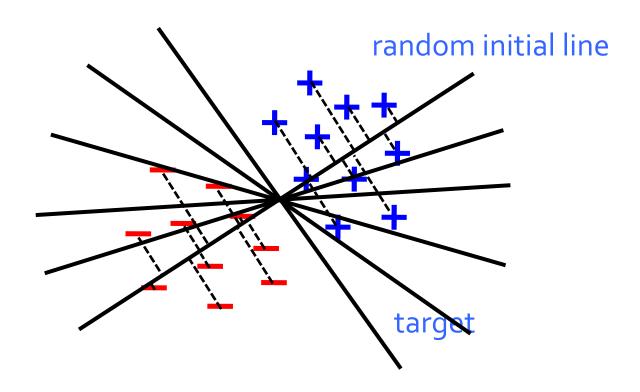


Other Key-Value Operations

```
> visits = sc.parallelize([ ("index.html", "1.2.3.4"),
                             ("about.html", "3.4.5.6"),
                             ("index.html", "1.3.3.1") ])
> pageNames = sc.parallelize([ ("index.html", "Home"),
                                ("about.html", "About") ])
> visits.join(pageNames)
  # ("index.html", ("1.2.3.4", "Home"))
  # ("index.html", ("1.3.3.1", "Home"))
  # ("about.html", ("3.4.5.6", "About"))
> visits.cogroup(pageNames)
  # ("index.html", (["1.2.3.4", "1.3.3.1"], ["Home"]))
  # ("about.html", (["3.4.5.6"], ["About"]))
```

Example: Logistic Regression

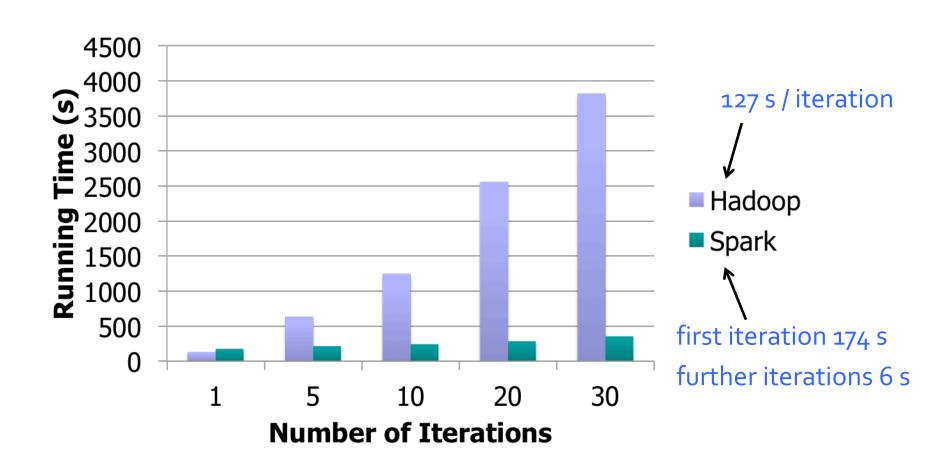
Goal: find best line separating two sets of points



Example: Logistic Regression

```
val data = spark.textFile(...).map(readPoint).cache()
var w = Vector.random(D)
for (i <- 1 to ITERATIONS) {
  val gradient = data.map(p =>
    (1 / (1 + \exp(-p.y*(w \text{ dot } p.x))) - 1) * p.y * p.x
  ) reduce(_ + _)
  w -= gradient
println("Final w: " + w)
```

Logistic Regression Performance



Setting the Level of Parallelism

All pair RDD operations take an optional second parameter for the number of tasks

```
> words.reduceByKey(lambda x, y: x + y, 5)
> words.groupByKey(5)
> visits.join(pageViews, 5)
```

Using Local Variables

Any external variables used in a closure are automatically be shipped to the cluster

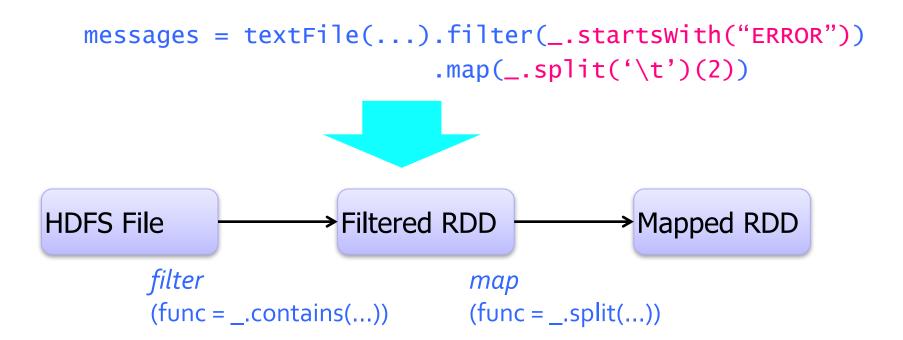
- > query = sys.stdin.readline()
- > pages.filter(lambda x: query in x).count()

Some caveats:

- Each task gets a new copy (updates aren't sent back)
- Variable must be serializable / pickle-able
- Don't use fields of an outer object (ships all of it!)

RDD Fault Tolerance

RDDs maintain lineage information that can be used to reconstruct lost partitions

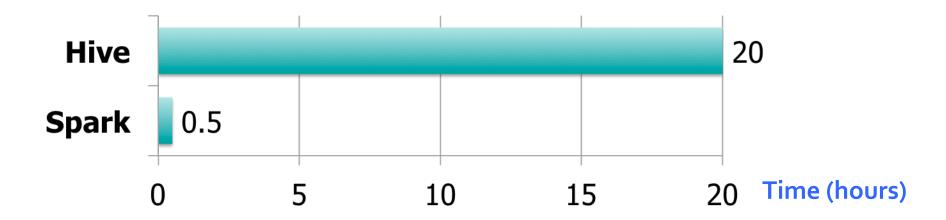


Spark Applications

- ◆In-memory data mining on Hive data (Conviva)
- Predictive analytics (Quantifind)
- City traffic prediction (Mobile Millennium)
- Twitter spam classification (Monarch)

... many others

Conviva GeoReport



- ◆ Aggregations on many keys w/ same WHERE clause
- ♦ 40 × gain comes from:
 - Not re-reading unused columns or filtered records
 - Avoiding repeated decompression
 - In-memory storage of de-serialized objects

Frameworks Built on Spark

- Pregel on Spark (Bagel)
 - Google message passing model for graph computation
 - 200 lines of code
- Hive on Spark (Shark)
 - 3000 lines of code
 - Compatible with Apache Hive
 - ML operators in Scala

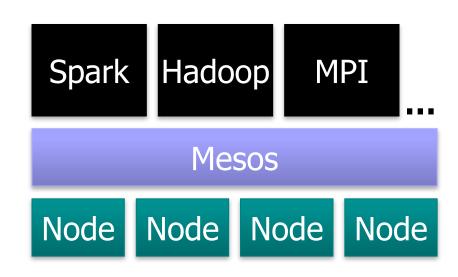




Implementation

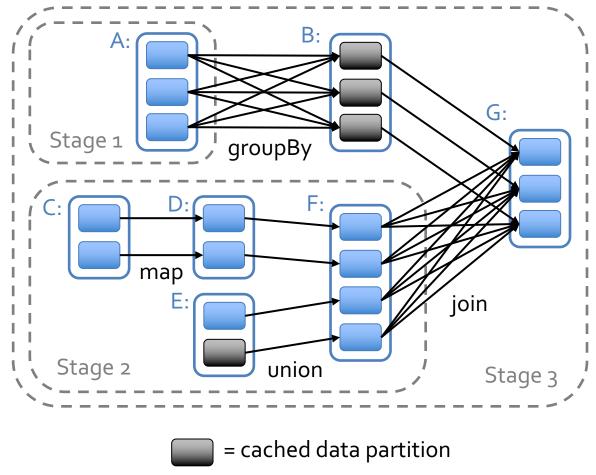
Runs on Apache Mesos to share resources with Hadoop & other apps

Can read from any Hadoop input source (e.g. HDFS)



Spark Scheduler

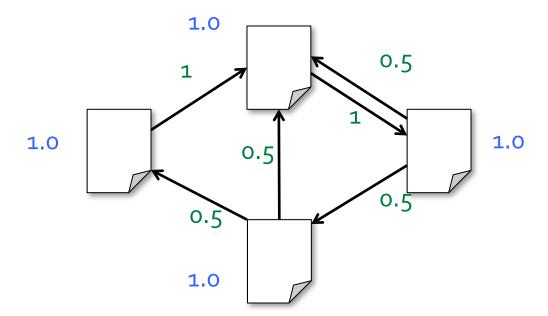
Dryad-like DAGs
Pipelines functions
within a stage
Cache-aware work
reuse & locality
Partitioning-aware
to avoid shuffles



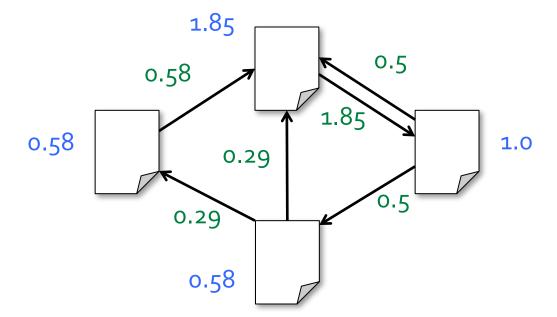
Example: PageRank

- Basic idea: gives pages ranks (scores)
 based on links to them
 - Links from many pages → high rank
 - Link from a high-rank page → high rank
- Good example of a more complex algorithm
 - Multiple stages of map & reduce
- Benefits from Spark's in-memory caching
 - Multiple iterations over the same data

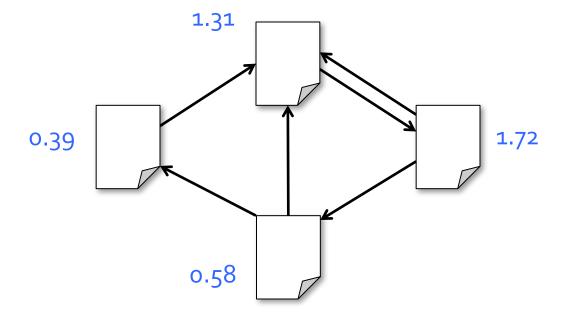
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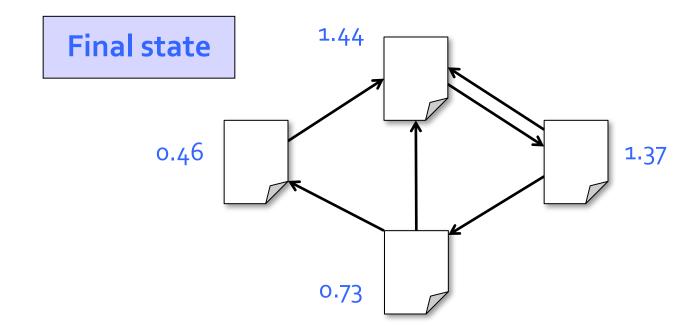
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Spark Implementation (in Scala)

PageRank Performance

