Cloud Programming: Lecture4 - MapReduce Parallel Programming

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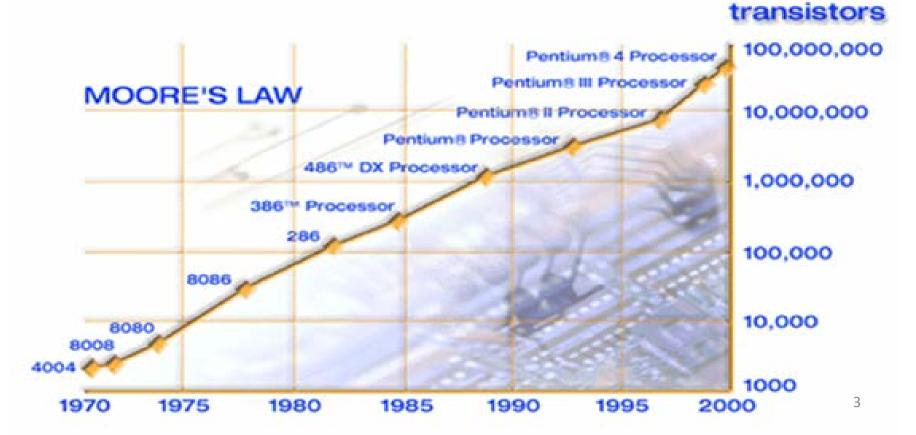


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- Distributed Computing Overview
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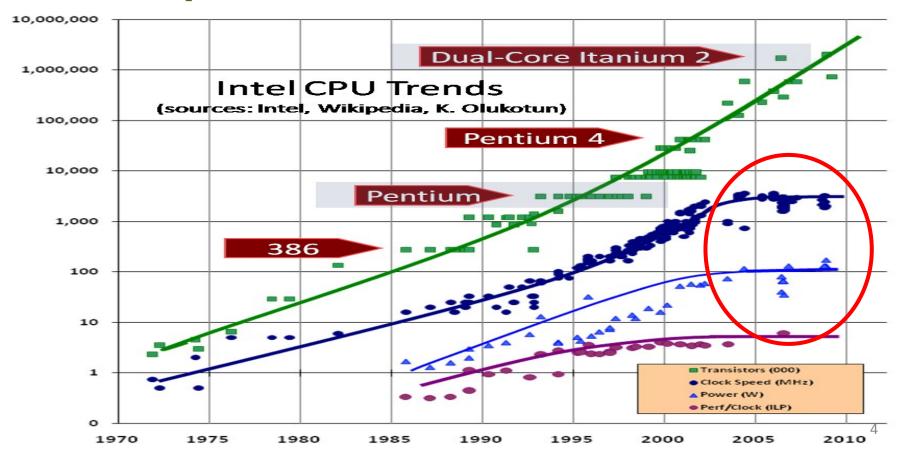
#### Moore's Law

 The observation that, over the history of computing hardware, the number of transistors on integrated circuits doubles approximately every two years



### The Death of CPU Scaling

- Increase of transistor density ≠performance
  - The power consumption and clock speed improvements collapsed



### **Trend of Parallel Computers**

#### **Single-Core Era**

Enabled by:
Moore's Law
Voltage Scaling

Constraint by:
Power
Complexity

Assembly → C/C++→Java ...

#### **Muti-Core Era**

Enabled by:
Moore's Law
SMP

Constraint by:
Power
Parallel SW
Scalability

Pthread - OpenMP ...

### Heterogeneous Systems Era

Enabled by:

Abundant data

parallelism

Power efficient GPUs

Constraint by:
Programming
models
Comm. overhead

Shader → CUDA → OpenCL ...

## Distributed System Era

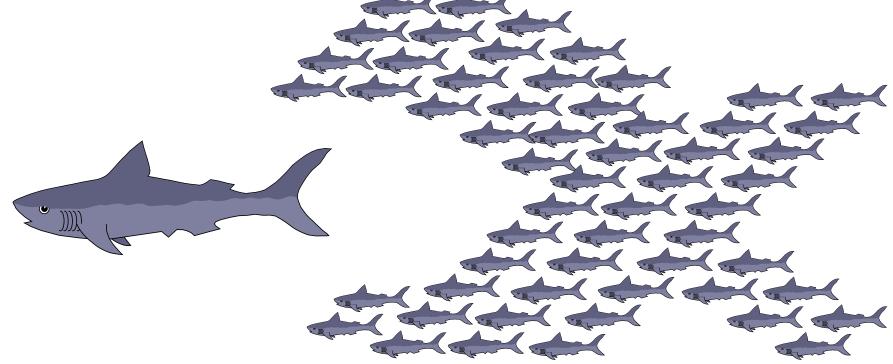
Enabled by: Networking

Constraint by:
Synchronization
Comm. overhead

MPI → MapReduce ...

### **Distributed Computing**

 A computer system in which several interconnected computers share the computing tasks assigned to the system

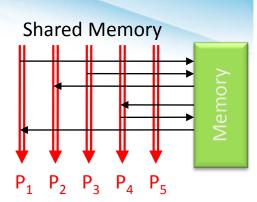


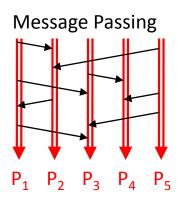
### Parallel Programming Models

- Shared memory
  - Communicate through shared memory space
  - For multi-core processor
    - Scale-up by adding more cores
  - Languages:
    - Pthread, CUDA, OpenCL

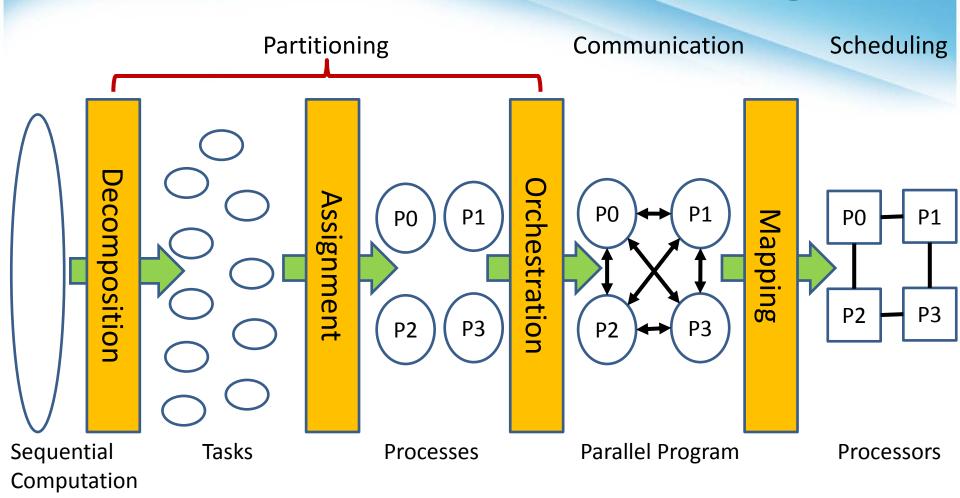


- Communicate through memory copy
- For distributed computing
  - Scale-out by adding more nodes
- Language:
  - MPI, Socket, RPC





## 4 Common Steps to Create a Parallel Program



#### Parallelization Challenges

- How do we assign work units to workers? (Partition)
- What if we have more work units than workers? (Scheduling)
- What if workers need to share or aggregate partial results? (Communication)
- How do we know all the workers have finished? (Termination)
- What if workers die? (Fault Tolerance)

#### Common Theme?

- Parallelization problems arise from:
  - Communication between workers (e.g., to exchange state)
  - Access to shared resources (e.g., data)
- Thus, we need a synchronization mechanism



#### Where the rubber meets the road

- Concurrency is difficult to reason about
- Concurrency is even more difficult to reason about
  - At the scale of datacenters (even across datacenters)
  - In the presence of failures
  - In terms of multiple interacting services
- Not to mention debugging...
- The reality:
  - Lots of one-off solutions, custom code
  - Write you own dedicated library, then program with it
  - Burden on the programmer to explicitly manage everything

### What's the point?

- It's all about the right level of abstraction
  - The von Neumann architecture has served us well, but is no longer appropriate for the multi-core/cluster environment
- Hide system-level details from the developers
  - No more race conditions, lock contention, etc.
- Separating the what from how
  - Developer specifies what are the computations need to be performed
  - Execution framework ("runtime") handles how to execute the computations

The datacenter is the computer!

#### Solution: Parallel Execution Framework

#### • Goal:

 Make it easier for developers to write efficient parallel and distributed applications as sequential program without considering synchronization or concurrency problem.

#### Approach

- Define a programming model that explicitly forces developer to consider the data parallelism and data flow of the computation
- Functional programming meets distributed computing
- System automatically handle execution problems including resource allocation, scheduling, distribution, and fault tolerance.

#### • Examples:

MapReduce, Dryad, SPARK, GLADE, STORM, CIEL, etc.

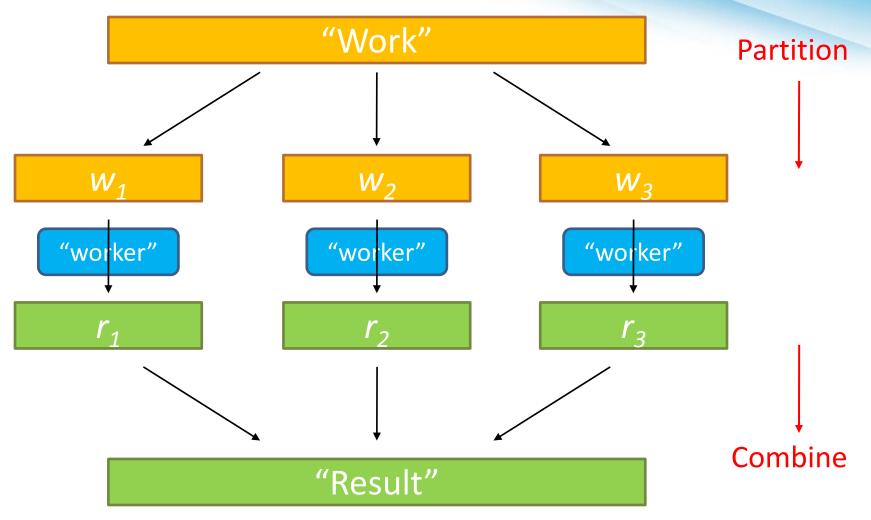
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#### MapReduce

- Developed by *Google* to process PB of data per data using datacenters (published in OSDI'04)
  - Program written in this functional style are automatically parallelized and executed on machines
- Hadoop is the open source (JAVA) implemented by Yahoo
- MapReduce has several meanings
  - A programming model
  - A implementation
  - A system architecture

# Start with the Simplest Solution: Divide and Conquer



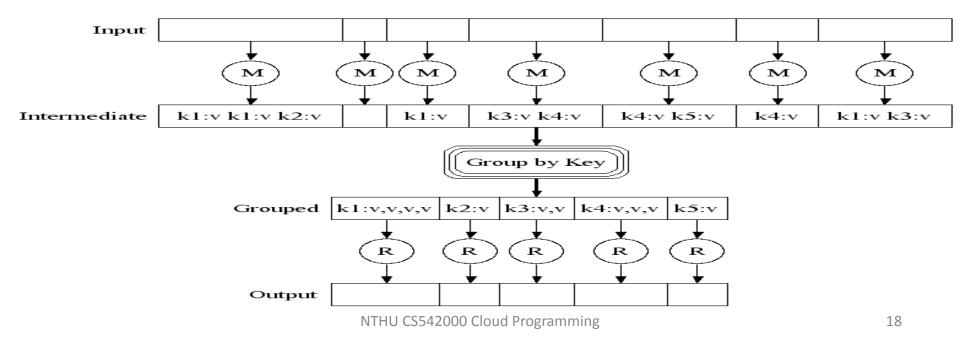
### Typical Large-Data Problem

- 1. Iterate over a large number of records
- Map Extract something of interest from each record
  - 3. Shuffle and sort intermediate results
  - 4. Aggregate intermediate results Reduce
  - 5. Generate final output

Key idea: provide a functional abstraction for these two operations

### MapReduce Programming Model

- A parallel programming model (divide-conquer)
  - Map: processes a key/value pair to generate a set of intermediate key/value pairs
  - Reduce: merges all intermediate values associated with the same intermediate key



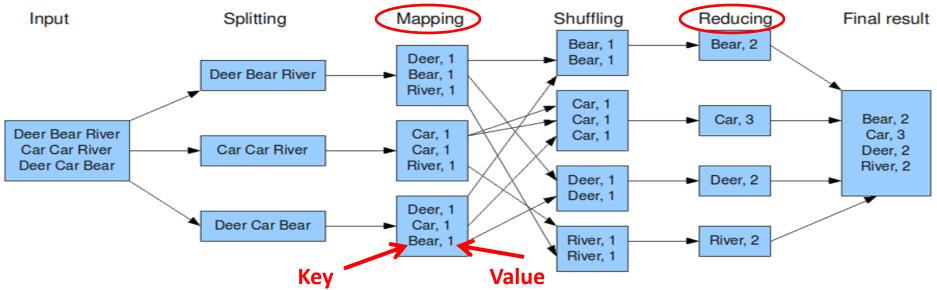
#### MapReduce Word Count Example

User specify the map and reduce functions

```
Map(String docid, String text):
for each word w in text:
Emit(w, 1);
```

```
Reduce(String term, Iterator<Int> values):
   int sum = 0;
   for each v in values:
      sum += v;
      Emit(term, value);
```

The overall MapReduce word count process

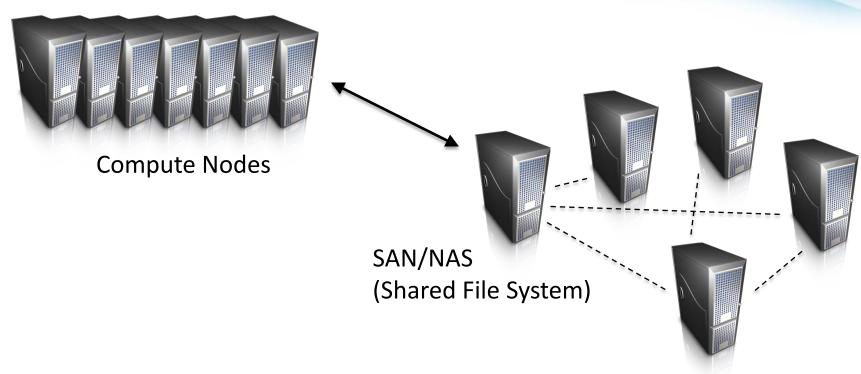


• The execution framework handles everything else... What's "everything else"?

### MapReduce "Runtime"

- Handles scheduling
  - Assigns workers to map and reduce tasks
- Handles "data distribution"
  - Moves processes to data
- Handles synchronization
  - Gathers, sorts, and shuffles intermediate data
- Handles errors and faults
  - Detects worker failures and restarts
- Everything happens on top of a distributed FS

#### How do we get data to the workers?



What's the problem here?

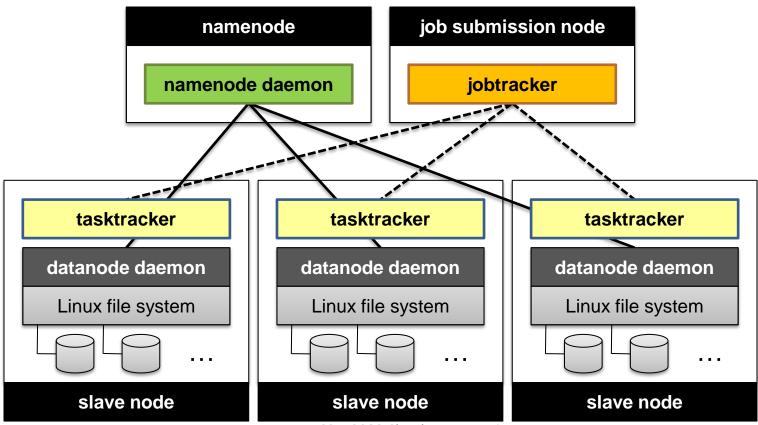
### Distributed File System

- Don't move data to workers...
   move workers to the data!
  - A node act as both compute and storage node
  - Store data on the local disks of nodes in the cluster
  - Start up the workers on the node that has the data local
- A distributed file system is the answer
  - GFS (Google File System) for Google's MapReduce
  - HDFS (Hadoop Distributed File System) for Hadoop

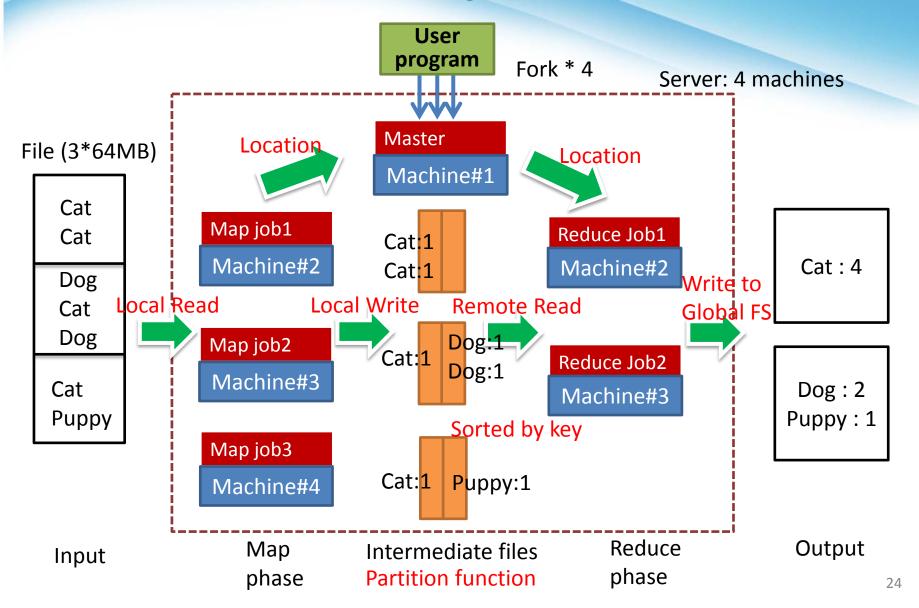
### Putting everything together...

#### Hadoop:

- Namenode (Master in GFS): file metadata server
- Job/Task tracker: MapReduce engine



#### MapReduce in Action

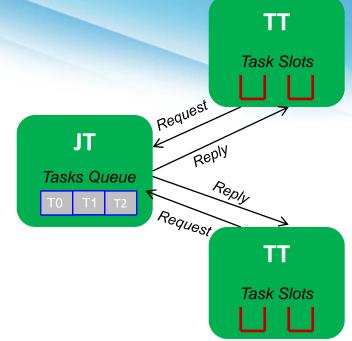


#### Job Scheduling in MapReduce

- In MapReduce, an application is represented as a job
- A job encompasses multiple map and reduce tasks
- MapReduce in Hadoop comes with a choice of schedulers:
  - The default is the FIFO scheduler which schedules jobs in order of submission
  - There is also a multi-user scheduler called the Fair scheduler which aims to give every user a fair share of the cluster capacity over time

#### Task Scheduling in MapReduce

- MapReduce adopts a master-slave architecture
- The master node in MapReduce is referred to as Job Tracker (JT)
  - Implement a scheduler
- Each slave node in MapReduce is referred to as *Task Tracker* (TT)
  - Has a fixed number of mapper slots and reducer slots
- MapReduce adopts a *pull scheduling* strategy rather than a *push one*:
  - Triggered by the heartbeat message from task tracker



#### Map and Reduce Task Scheduling

 Every TT sends a heartbeat message periodically to JT encompassing a request for a map or a reduce task to run

#### I. Map Task Scheduling:

- JT satisfies requests for map tasks via attempting to schedule mappers in the vicinity of their input splits (i.e., it considers locality)
- Multiple level of locality: node level, rack level, datacenter level

#### II. Reduce Task Scheduling:

 However, JT simply assigns the next yet-to-run reduce task to a requesting TT regardless of TT's network location and its implied effect on the reducer's shuffle time (i.e., it does not consider locality)

#### Fault Tolerance in Hadoop

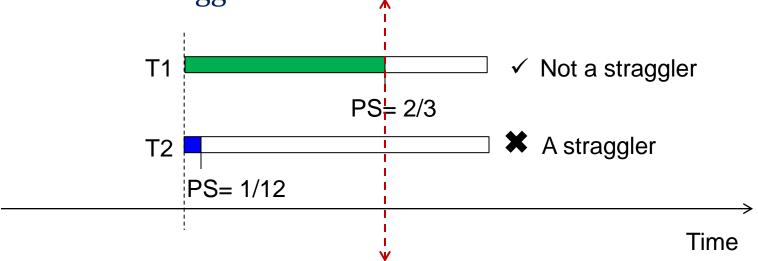
- MapReduce can guide jobs toward a successful completion even when jobs are run on a large cluster where probability of failures increases
- The primary way that MapReduce achieves fault tolerance is through restarting tasks
- If a TT fails to communicate with JT for a period of time (by default, 1 minute in Hadoop), JT will assume that TT in question has crashed
  - If the job is still in the map phase, JT asks another TT to reexecute all Mappers that previously ran at the failed TT
  - If the job is in the reduce phase, JT asks another TT to reexecute all Reducers that were in progress on the failed TT

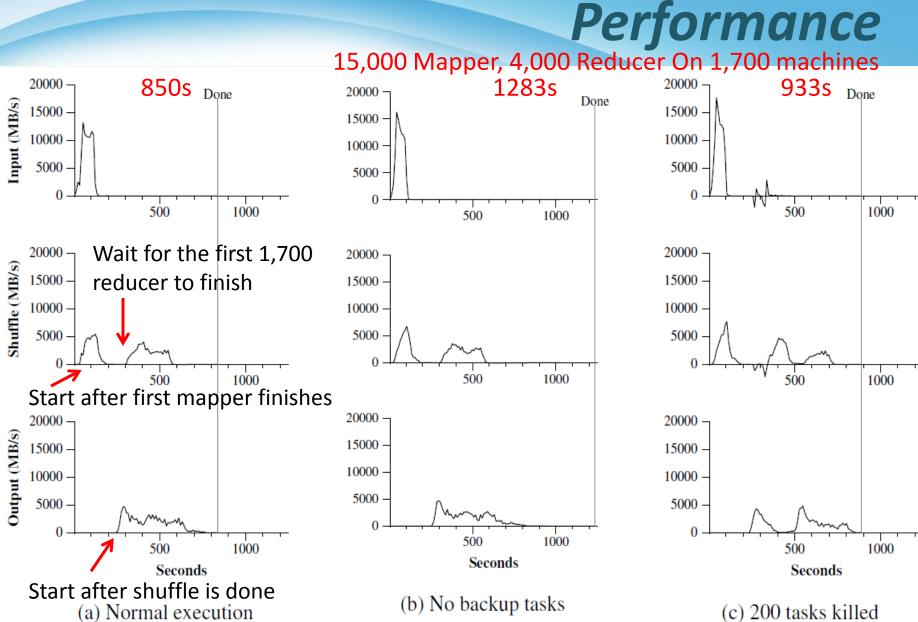
#### Speculative Execution

- A MapReduce job is dominated by the slowest task
- MapReduce attempts to locate slow tasks (stragglers) and run redundant (speculative) tasks that will optimistically commit before the corresponding stragglers
- This process is known as speculative execution
- Only one copy of a straggler is allowed to be speculated
- Whichever copy (among the two copies) of a task commits first, it becomes the definitive copy, and the other copy is killed by JT

#### **Locating Stragglers**

- How does Hadoop locate stragglers?
  - Hadoop monitors each task progress using a progress score between 0 and 1
  - If a task's progress score is less than (average 0.2), and the task has run for at least 1 minute, it is marked as a straggler





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#### **Comparison With Traditional Models**

Aspect	Shared Memory	Message Passing	MapReduce
Communication	Implicit (via loads/stores)	Explicit Messages	Limited and Implicit
Synchronization	Explicit	Implicit (via messages)	Immutable (K, V) Pairs
Hardware Support	Typically Required	None	None
Development Effort	Lower	Higher	Lowest
Tuning Effort	Higher	Lower	Lowest

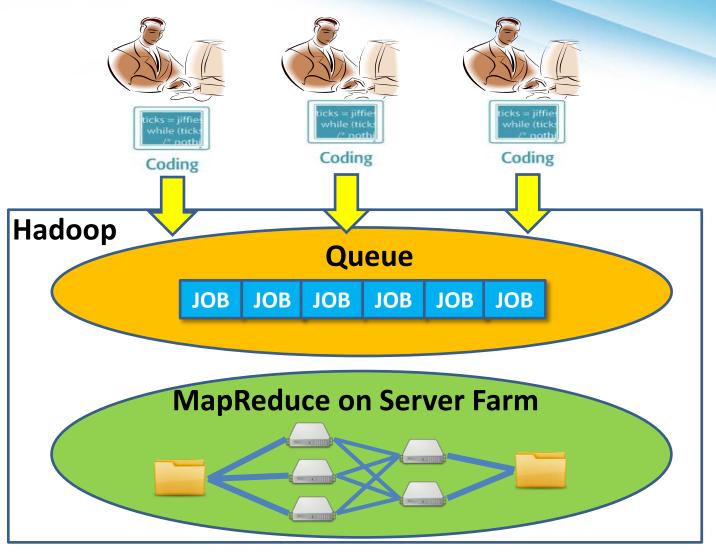
#### What Makes MapReduce Unique?

- MapReduce is characterized by:
  - 1. Its simplified programming model which allows the user to quickly write and test distributed systems
  - 2. Its efficient and automatic distribution of data and workload across machines. Moving process to data.
  - 3. Seamless scalability. Specifically, after a Mapreduce program is written and functioning on 10 nodes, very little-if any- work is required for making that same program run on 1000 nodes

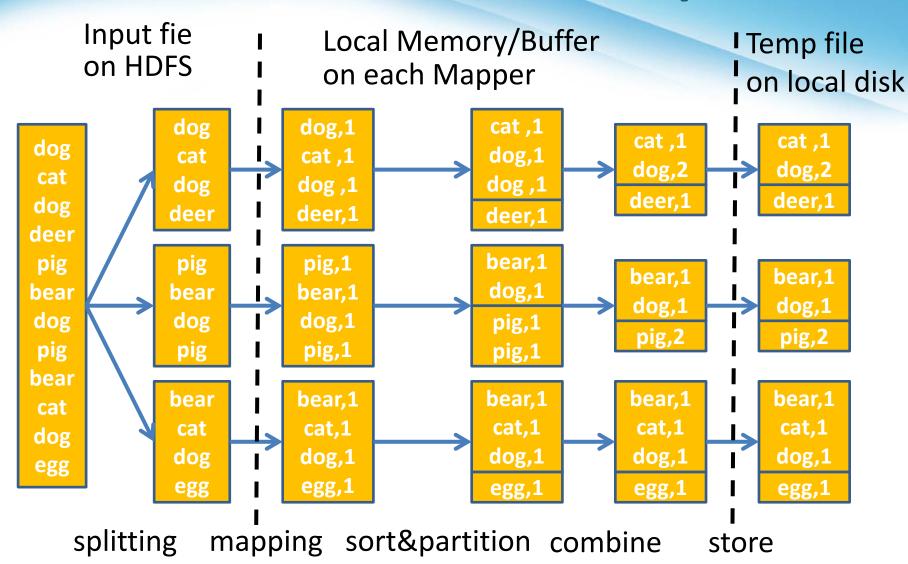
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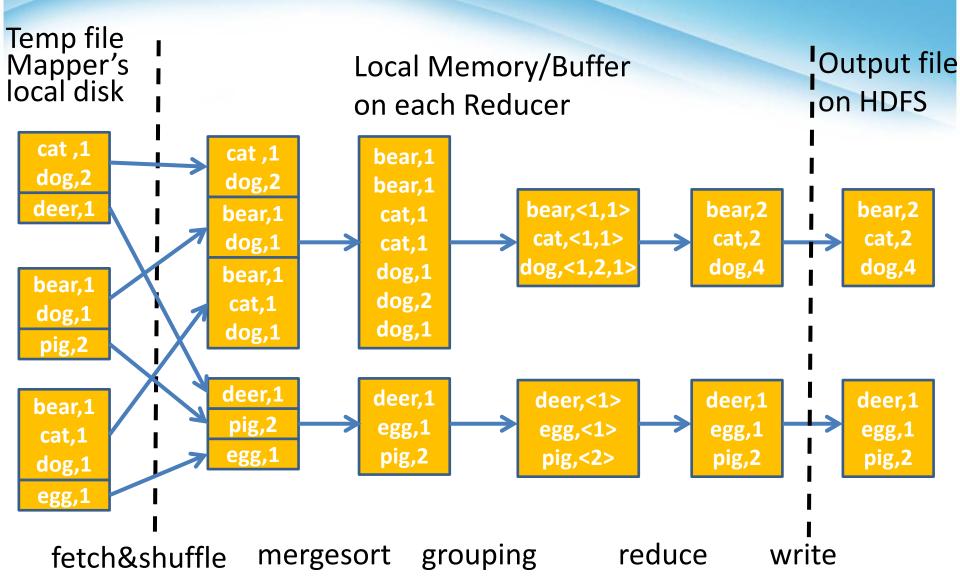
### **Hadoop Platform**



#### Map Phase



#### Reduce Phase



#### **Hadoop Implementation**

- Hadoop release *1.0.3* 
  - More compatible with Hbase, Hive, etc.
- Java Language
  - Based on inheritance and interface
- API in "org.apache.hadoop.mapred" package
  - Not interchangeable with the "org.apache.hadoop.mapreduce" package
- Official Tutorial
  - https://hadoop.apache.org/docs/r1.2.1/mapred\_tutor ial.html

#### Important Hadoop Classes

#### JobConf

 the primary interface for a user to describe a map-reduce job to the Hadoop framework for execution

#### Mapper

maps input <K,V> pairs to intermediate <K,V> pairs

#### Reducer

reduces intermediate values to a smaller set of values

#### Partitioner

partitions the key of intermediate <K,V> pairs to reducer

#### Combiner

 combine map-outputs <K,V> pairs before being sent to reducers

#### RecordReader/RecordWriter

Read input file & write output file

#### Reporter

 A facility for Map-Reduce applications to report progress and update counters, status information etc

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## JobConf: WordCount Example

```
public static void main(String[] args) throws Exception {
  JobConf conf = new JobConf(WordCount.class);
  conf.setJobName("wordcount");
  conf.setMapperClass(Map.class);
  conf.setReducerClass(Reduce.class);
  FileInputFormat.setInputPaths(conf, new Path(args[0]));
  FileOutputFormat.setOutputPath(conf, new Path(args[1]));
  conf.setInputFormat(TextInputFormat.class);
  conf.setOutputFormat(TextOutputFormat.class);
  conf.setOutputKeyClass(Text.class);
  conf.setOutputValueClass(IntWritable.class);
  JobClient.runJob(conf);
```

JobConf Class

Method	Description
setJobName(String name)	Set the user-specified job name
<pre>setJobPriority(JobPriority prio)</pre>	High/Low/Normal/Very_High/Very_Low
setQueueName (String queueName)	Set the name of the queue to which this job should be submitted.
setNumMapTasks(int n)	Set the number of map tasks for this job.
setNumReduceTasks(int n)	Set the requisite number of reduce tasks for this job.
setMaxMapAttempts(int n)	Set the number of maximum attempts that will be made to run a map task.
setCompressMapOutput (boolean compress)	Should the map outputs be compressed before transfer?
setMapDebugScript (String mDbgScript)	Set the debug script to run when the map tasks fail.

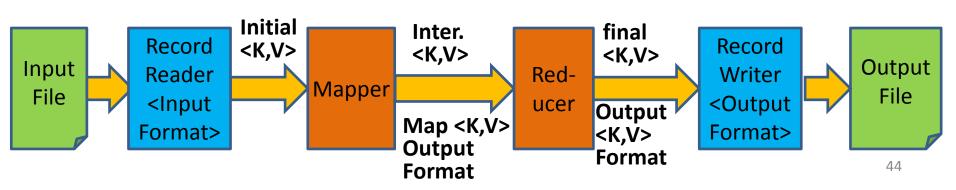


## JobConf Class

Method	Description
setMapperClass (Class extends Mapper theClass)	Set the Mapper class for the job
setReducerClass (Class extends Reducer theClass)	Set the Reducer class for the job.
setPartitionerClass (Class extends Partitioner theClass)	Set the Partitioner class used to partition Mapper-outputs to be sent to the Reducers.
setCombinerClass (Class extends Reducer theClass)	combine map-outputs before being sent to the reducer
<pre>setOutputKeyComparatorClass (Class<? extends RawComparator> theClass)</pre>	Set the RawComparator comparator used to compare keys.
setOutputValueGroupingComparator (Class extends RawComparator theClass)	Set the user defined RawComparator comparator for grouping keys in the input to the reduce.

## JobConf Class

		Description
Void	<pre>setInputFormat (Class<? extends InputFormat> theClass)</pre>	Set the InputFormat implementation for the map-reduce job
Void	<pre>setOutputFormat (Class<? extends OutputFormat> theClass)</pre>	Set the OutputFormat implementation for the map-reduce job.
Void	<pre>setOutputKeyClass(Class<?> theClass)</pre>	Set the key class for the job output data.
Void	<pre>setOutputValueClass(Class<?> theClass)</pre>	Set the value class for job outputs.
Void	setMapOutputKeyClass(Class theClass)	Set the key class for the map output data. Same type as final output if not specify
Void	<pre>setMapOutputValueClass(Class<?> theClass)</pre>	Set the value class for the map output data Same type as final output if not specify



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## Input/Output Format Class

- The MapReduce operates exclusively on <K, V> pairs
  - It views the job input as a set of <key, value> pairs and produces a set of <key, value> pairs as the output of the job
- InputFormat: parse input file into a set of <key, value>
  - TextInputFormat: Keys are the position in the file, and values are the line of text.
  - **KeyValueTextInputFormat:** Each line is divided into key and value parts by a separator byte. If no such a byte exists, the key will be the entire line and value will be empty.
- OutputFormat: write a set of <key, value> to output file
  - TextOutputFormat<K, V>: writes plain text: key, value, and "\r\n".

## Key-Value Pair Class

- Hadoop MapReduce uses typed data at all times when it interacts with user-provided Mappers and Reducers
- *Key*: Instance of *WritableComparable*, because key will be sorted by the framework
- *Value*: Instance of *Writable*, because value must be mutable by the framework
- WritableComparable interface
  - BooleanWritable, BytesWritable, DoubleWritable, FloatWritable, IntWritable, LongWritable, Text, NullWritable
- Writable but not WritableComparable
  - ArrayWriable

## **Custom Value Types**

- Value in 3-dimensional coordinate struct point3d { float x; float y; float z; }
- Implement *Writable* interface

```
public class Point3D implements Writable {
  public float x; public float y; public float z;
  public Point3D(float x, float y, float z) { this.x = x; this.y = y; this.z = z; }
  public void write(DataOutput out) throws IOException {
        out.writeFloat(x); out.writeFloat(y); out.writeFloat(z);
                                                                        Call when
                                                                       writing to file
  public void readFields(DataInput in) throws IOException
                                                                      Call when
        { x = in.readFloat(); y = in.readFloat(); z = in.readFloat();
                                                                       reading
  public String toString() {
                                                                       from file
        return Float.toString(x)+","+ Float.toString(y)+","+Float.toString(z);}
```

#### Custom Key Types

- Key in 3-dimensional coordinate struct point3d { float x; float y; float z; }
- Implement all functions in the *writable* interface
  - write(), readFields()
- Implement additional functions in the writablecomparable interface
  - compareTo(): used for sorting
  - equals(): used for grouping
  - hashCode(): used for partitioning

```
public class Point3D implements WritableComparable {
  public float distanceFromOrigin() {
       return (float)Math.sqrt(x*x + y*y + z*z);
  public int compareTo(Point3D other) {
       float myDistance = distanceFromOrigin();
       float otherDistance = other.distanceFromOrigin();
       return Float.compare(myDistance, otherDistance);
  public boolean equals(Object o) {
       Point3D other = (Point3D)o;
       return this.x == other.x && this.y == other.y && this.z ==
other.z; }
  public int hashCode() {
       return Float.floatToIntBits(x) ^ Float.floatToIntBits(y) ^
       Float.floatToIntBits(z);
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```

#### Use Case Example

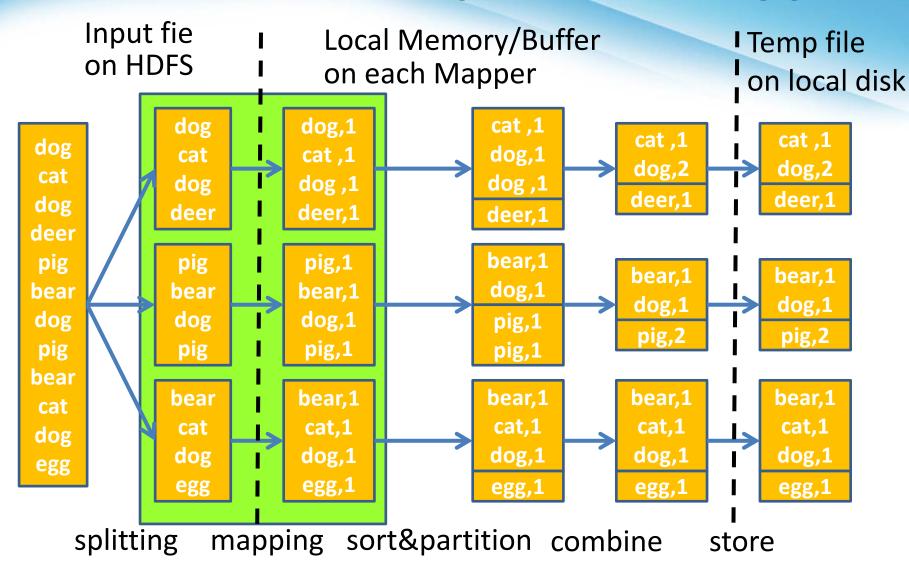
- Given a list of 3D-coordinates, sort them in order in each of the output file:
  - **key type**: Point3D
  - Value type: NullWritable
  - Mapper: map each line to {<x,y,z>, Null}
  - **Reducer**: write key to file

## **→** Data is sorted automatically by Key in the MapReduce process

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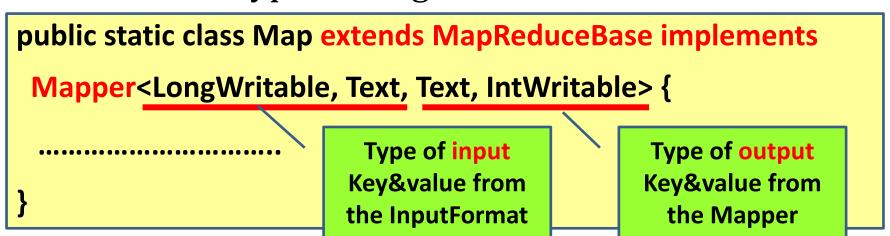


## Map Phase: Mapper

- Mapper maps input key/value pairs to a set of intermediate key/value pairs
  - The transformed intermediate records do NOT need to be the same type as the input records.
  - A given input pair may map to zero or many output pairs.
- Each key/value pair is applied with a map function:
  - map(WritableComparable, Writable, OutputCollector, Reporter)
  - <WritableComparable, Writable> are the input key-value pairs generated by the InputFormat class
  - outputCollector.collect(K, V) collects output key-value pairs

## Map Phase: Mapper

- Constructor:
  - MapReduceBase is a class
  - Mapper is a interface
  - <LongWritable, Text, Text, IntWritable> is the generic type of the interface to prevent runtime type casting error



## Mapper: WodCount Example

```
public static class Map extends MapReduceBase implements
 Mapper<LongWritable, Text, Text, IntWritable> {
  private final static IntWritable one = new IntWritable(1);
  private Text word = new Text();
  public void map(LongWritable key, Text value,
                OutputCollector<Text, IntWritable> output,
                Reporter reporter) throws IOException {
        String line = value.toString();
        StringTokenizer tokenizer = new StringTokenizer(line);
        while (tokenizer.hasMoreTokens()) { // each line has multiple words
                word.set(tokenizer.nextToken());
                output.collect(word, one);
Recall JobConf setting:
```

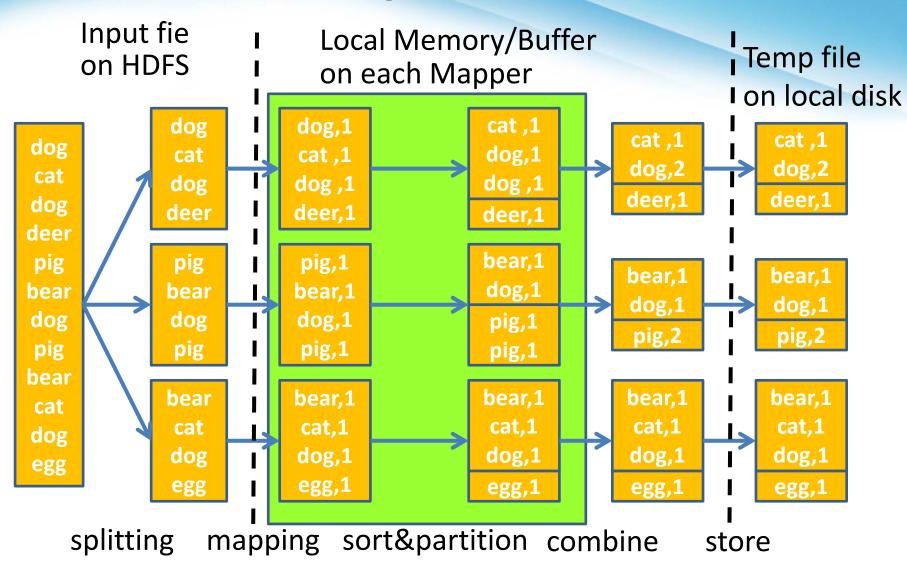
conf.setOutputKeyClass(Text.class);

conf.setMapperClass(Map.class);

conf.setOutputValueClass(IntWritable.class);

conf.setInputFormat(TextInputFormat.class);

#### Map Phase: Partitioner

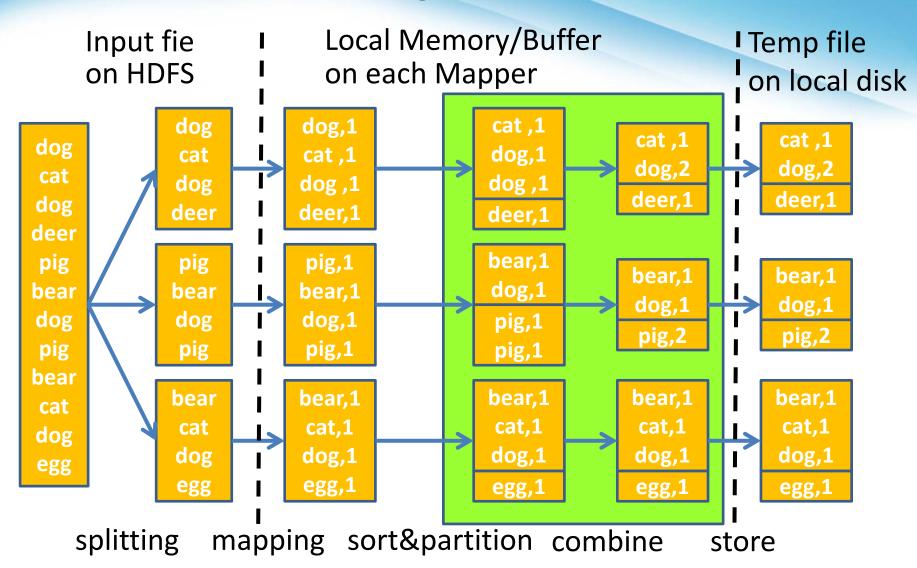


## Map Phase: Partitioner

- Partitioner decides which intermediate (K,V) pair is sent to which reducer
- The total number of partitions is the same as the number of reduce tasks for the job.
- Default partitioner: "HashPartitioner"
- Write a custom Partitioner:

```
public class MyPartitioner implements Partitioner<Point3D, Writable> {
    public int getPartition(TextPair key, Writable value, int numPart) {
        return Math.abs(key.hashCode()) % numPart;
    }
}
public void configure(JobConf job) {
    JobConf setting:
    conf.setPartitionerClass(MyPartitioner.class);
```

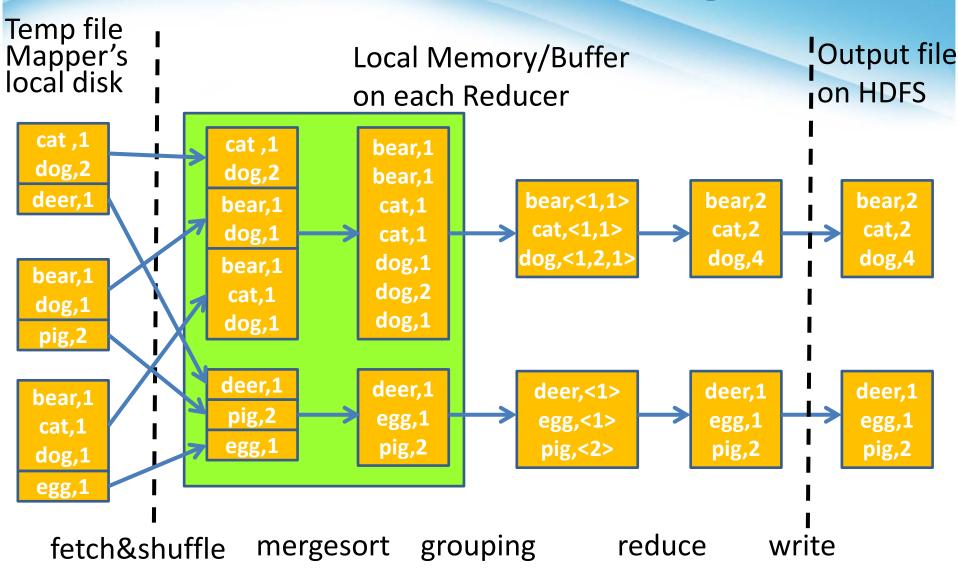
#### Map Phase: Combiner



#### Combiner

- An OPTIONAL optimization step in mapping phase
  - Combiner combines map-outputs before being sent to the reducers → reduce intermediate file size and transfer time
  - Combiner could be run many or ZERO time → program results can't depend on combiner
  - <K,V> data type must be the **same** for INPUT & OUTPUT
    - Reducer can emit a different output type to file
  - Reducer and combiner could be but NOT ALWAYS the same
    - E.g.: compute the avg of each key
    - MEAN( $\{1,2,3,4,5\}$ )  $\neq$  MEAN(MEAN( $\{1,2\}$ ),MEAN( $\{3,4,5\}$ ))
  - Some problem can be difficult to apply combiner
    - E.g.: Find the median value of each key

## Reduce Phase: Merge&Sort



## Mergesort: OutputKeyComparator

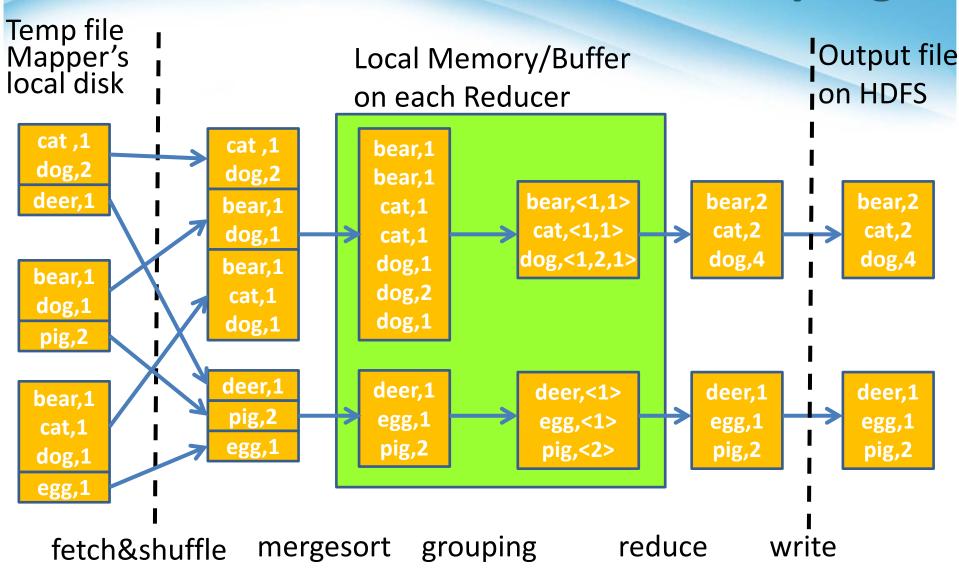
- Mergesort is used by the framework to effectively merge the output from mappers, and sort the result in one stage
- <K,V> pairs are sorted by a comparator class called the OutputKeyComparator
  - The comparator can be set by "JobConf.setOutputKeyComparatorClass"
  - The comparator must implement the "rawComparator" interface or extend "writeComparator" class
    - Override the function: compare

## KeyComparator Example

- Let keys in the form of <string1>:<string2>
- Sort keys in the ascending order of <string1>

```
public static class KeyComprator extends WritableComparator {
   protected KeyComprator() { super(Text.class, true); }
   public int compare(WritableComparable w1,
                      WritableComparable w2) {
       Text t1 = (Text) w1;
       Text t2 = (Text) w2;
       String[] t1Items = t1.toString().split(":");
       String[] t2Items = t2.toString().split(":");
       return t1Items[0].compareTo(t2Items[0]);
```

#### Reduce Phase: Grouping



# Reduce Phase: Grouping: OutputValueGroupingComparator

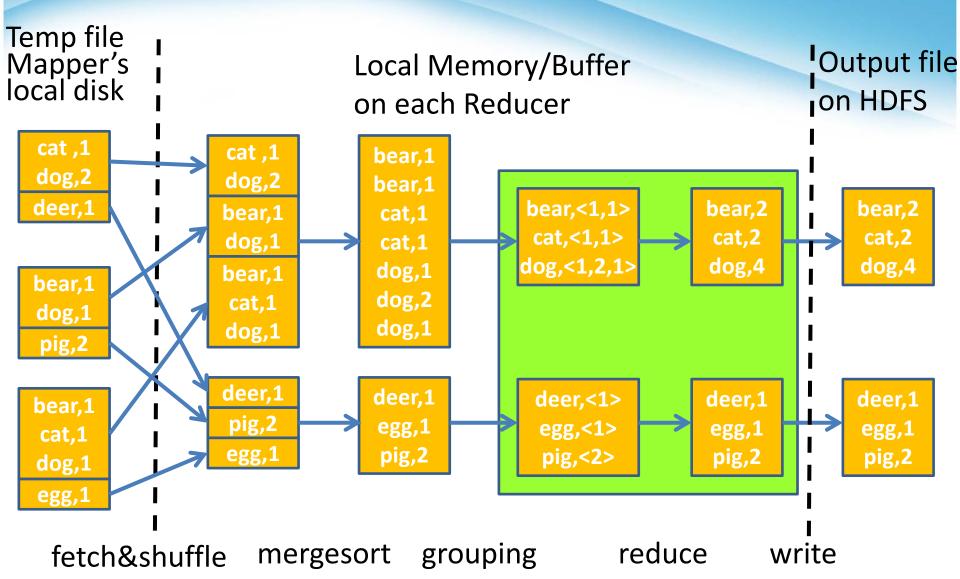
- The comparator set by "JobConf.setOutputValueGroupingComparator"
- Grouping:
  - <K,V> pairs compared as equal are grouped together
  - If multiple keys in the same group, "OutputKeyComparator" is used to decide the key for the group
- Example:
  - Input: <A1, V1>, <A2, V2>, <A3, V3>, <B1, V4>, <B2, V5>
  - Grouping comparator to just compare the first letter: (A1, {V1,V2,V3}); (B1, {V4,V5});

#### GroupComparator Example

```
public static class groupComprator extends WritableComparator {
   protected GroupComprator() { super(Text.class, true); }
   public int compare(WritableComparable w1,
              WritableComparable w2) {
       Text t1 = (Text) w1; Text t2 = (Text) w2;
       int t1char = t1.charAt(0); int t2char = t2.charAt(0);
       if (t1char < t2char) return -1;
       else if (t1char > t2char) return 1;
       else return 0;
```

Could also override "compare(byte[] b1, int s1, int l1, byte[] b2, int s2, int l2)" which de-serializes the key in buffer then call the above function

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- Reducer reduces a set of intermediate values which share a key to a smaller set of values.
- Each **group** of (K,V) pair applied with a reduce func:
  - reduce(WritableComparable, Iterator, OutputCollector, Reporter)
- Constructor

```
public static class Reduce extends MapReduceBase implements Reducer<Text, IntWritable, Text, IntWritable>

Type of input Key&value from the Mapper

Type of output Key&value from the Reducer
```

## Reducer: WordCount Example

```
public static class Reduce extends MapReduceBase
  implements Reducer<Text, IntWritable, Text, IntWritable>
  public void reduce(Text key, Iterator<IntWritable> values,
       OutputCollector<Text, IntWritable> output,
       Reporter reporter) throws IOException
   int sum = 0;
   while (values.hasNext()) sum += values.next().get();
   output.collect(key, new IntWritable(sum));
```

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#### Reporter

- The Hadoop system records a set of metric counters for each job that it runs
  - E.g.: # input records mapped, # bytes reads from or writes to HDFS, etc...
- The *Reporter* object passed in to your Mapper and Reducer classes can be used to record & update those metric counters
  - The values are aggregated by the master node of the cluster, so they are "thread-safe" in this manner
  - Counters are incremented through the Reporter.incrCounter() method
  - the values of all the counters will be printed to stdout when the job completes

#### Reporter

 Count the number of "A" vs. "B" records seen by the mapper

```
public class MyMapper extends MapReduceBase
  implements Mapper<Text, Text, Text, Text> {
    static enum RecordCounters { TYPE_A, TYPE_B, TYPE_UNKNOWN };
    public boolean isTypeA(Text input) { ... }
    public boolean isTypeB(Text input) { ... }
    public void map(Text key, Text val, OutputCollector<Text, Text> output,
      Reporter reporter) throws IOException {
        if (isTypeA(key)) reporter.incrCounter(RecordCounters.TYPE_A, 1);
       else if (isTypeB(key)) reporter.incrCounter(RecordCounters.TYPE_B, 1);
        else reporter.incrCounter(RecordCounters.TYPE_UNKNOWN, 1);
```

## How many Maps?

- The number of maps is usually driven by the total size of the inputs, that is, the total number of blocks of the input files
- The right level of parallelism for maps seems to be around 10-100 maps per-node
- JobConf.setNumMapTasks(int n)

#### How many reduces?

- The right number of reduces seems to be 0.95 or 1.75 multiplied by <#nodes x #reduce\_task/node>
- With 0.95 all of the reduces can launch immediately
- With 1.75 the faster nodes will finish their first round of reduces and launch a second wave of reduces doing a much better job of load balancing.
- Increasing the number of reduces increases the framework overhead, but increases load balancing and lowers the cost of failures.
- JobConf.setNumReduceTasks(int n)

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