
Introduction to Impala and Hive

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UI for Hadoop \Rightarrow high-level language (SQL ...)

In this chapter you will learn

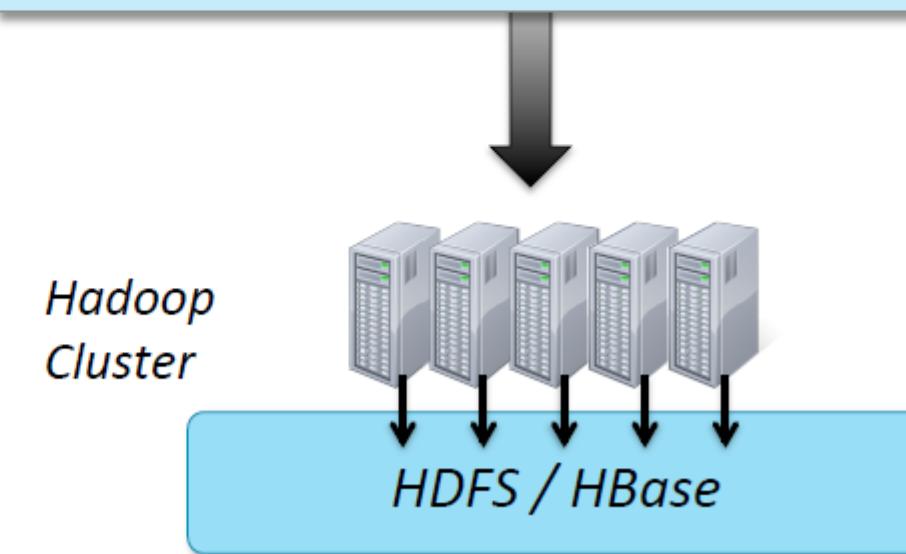
- What Hive is
- What Impala is
- How Impala and Hive Compare
- How to query data using Impala and Hive
- How Hive and Impala differ from a relational database
- Ways in which organizations use Hive and Impala

Introduction to Impala and Hive (1)

- Impala and Hive are both tools that provide SQL querying of data stored in HDFS / HBase

```
SELECT zipcode, SUM(cost) AS total
FROM customers
JOIN orders
ON (customers.cust_id = orders.cust_id)
WHERE zipcode LIKE '63%'
GROUP BY zipcode
ORDER BY total DESC;
```

SQL



Introduction to Impala and Hive (2)

- Apache Hive is a **high-level abstraction on top of MapReduce**

SQL → MapReduce
conversion

- Uses **HiveQL**
 - Generates **MapReduce or Spark*** jobs that run on the Hadoop cluster
 - Originally developed at Facebook around 2007
 - Now an open-source Apache project



- Cloudera Impala is a **high-performance dedicated SQL engine**

- Uses **Impala SQL**
 - Inspired by Google's Dremel project
 - Query latency measured in milliseconds
 - Developed at Cloudera in 2012
 - Open-source with an Apache license

SQL → HDFS operations
translation



What's the Difference?

- **Hive has more features**

- E.g. **Complex data types** (arrays, maps) and full support for windowing analytics
 - **Highly extensible**
 - Commonly used for **batch processing**

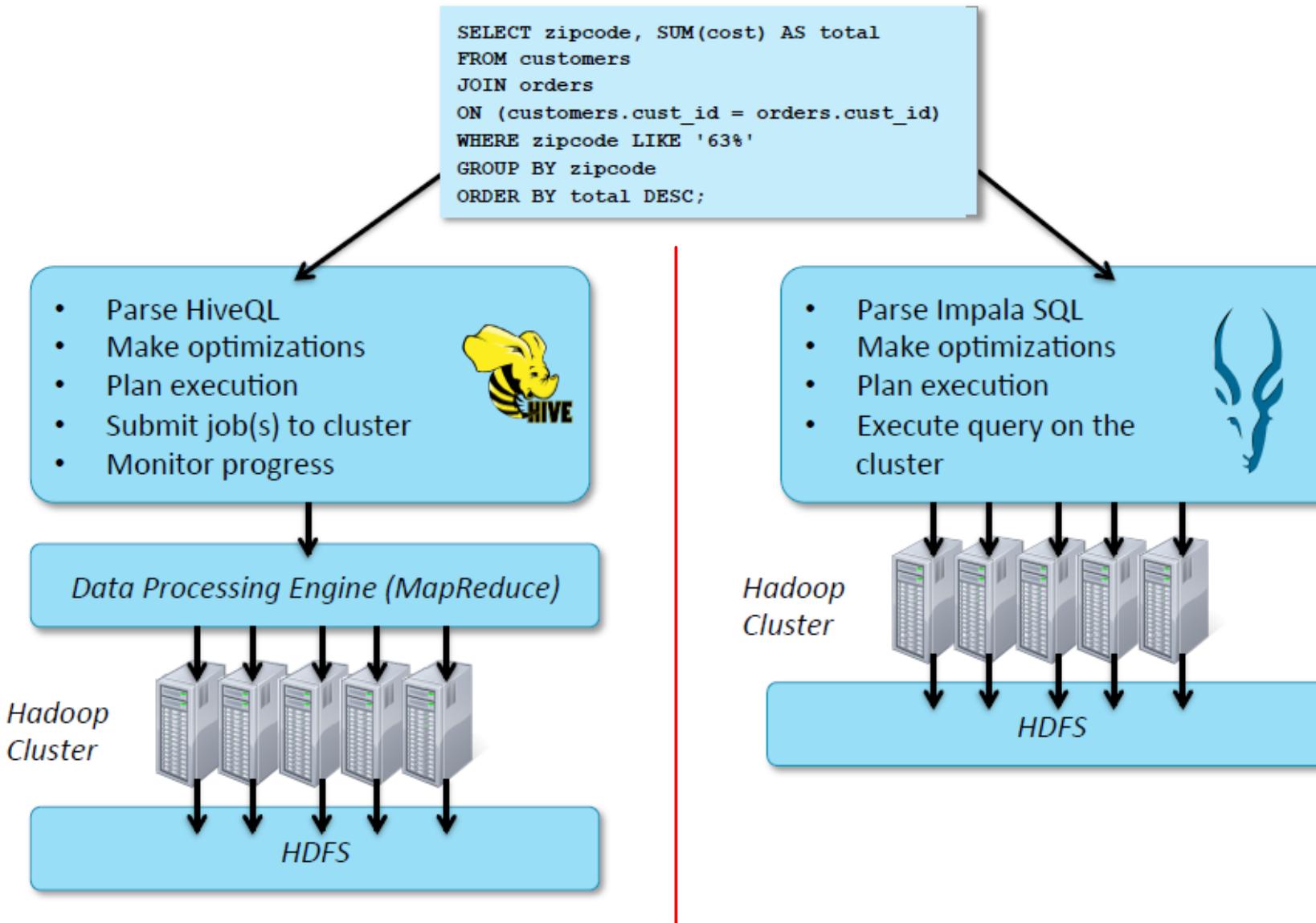


- **Impala is much faster**

- Specialized SQL engine offers **5x to 50x better performance**
 - Ideal for **interactive queries and data analysis**
 - More features being added over time



High-Level Overview



Why Use Hive and Impala?

- Brings large-scale data analysis to a broader audience
 - No software development experience required
 - Leverage existing knowledge of SQL
- More productive than writing MapReduce or Spark directly
 - Five lines of HiveQL/Impala SQL might be equivalent to 200 lines or more of Java
- Offers interoperability with other systems
 - Extensible through Java and external scripts
 - Many business intelligence (BI) tools support Hive and/or Impala

Use Case: Log File Analytics

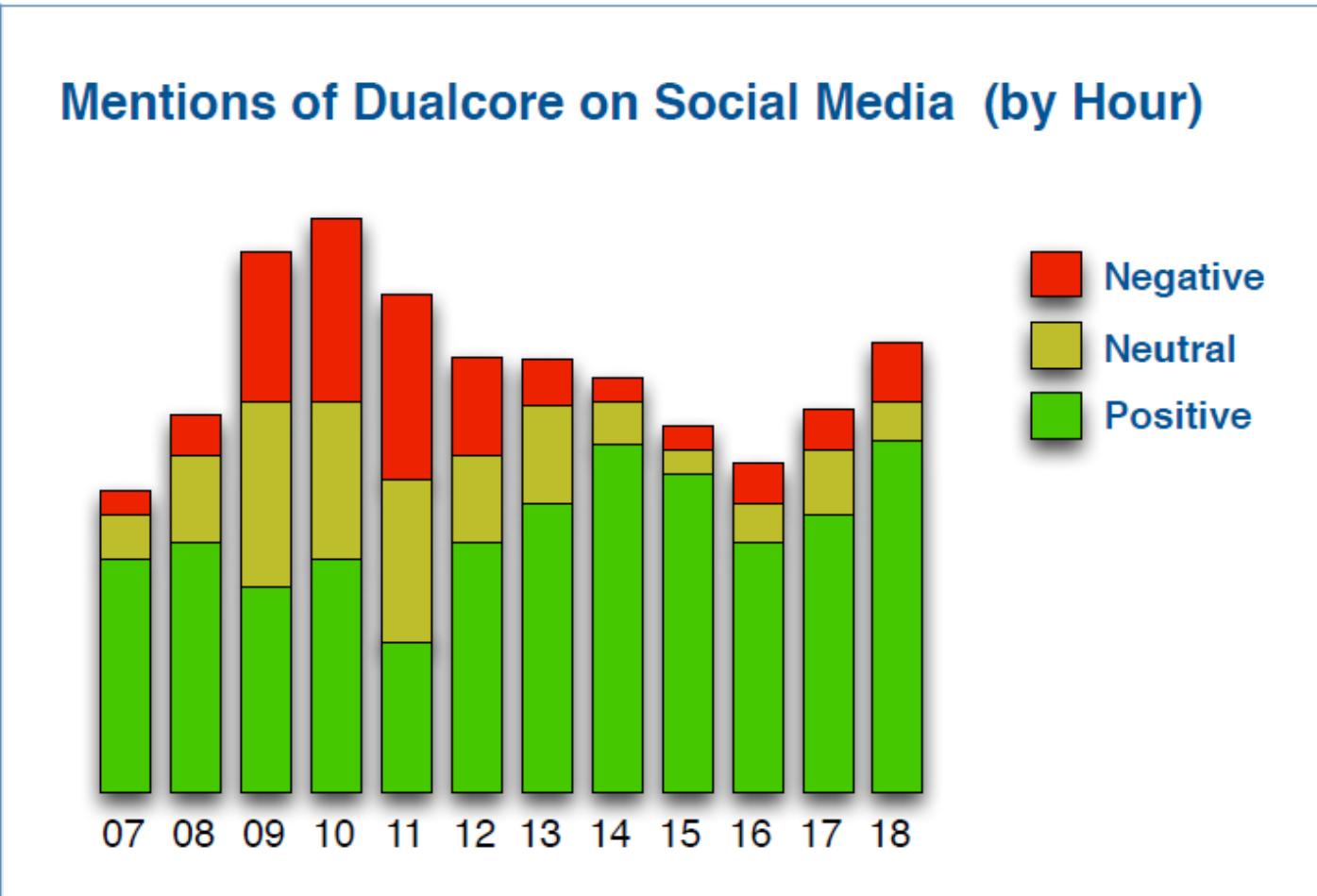
- Server log files are an **important source of data**
- Hive and Impala allow you to **treat a directory of log files like a table**
 - Allows **SQL-like queries** against **raw data**

| Dualcore Inc. Public Web Site (June 1 - 8) | | | | | |
|--|-----------------|------------|----------------------|-------------|-----------------|
| Product | Unique Visitors | Page Views | Average Time on Page | Bounce Rate | Conversion Rate |
| Tablet | 5,278 | 5,894 | 17 seconds | 23% | 65% |
| Notebook | 4,139 | 4,375 | 23 seconds | 47% | 31% |
| Stereo | 2,873 | 2,981 | 42 seconds | 61% | 12% |
| Monitor | 1,749 | 1,862 | 26 seconds | 74% | 19% |
| Router | 987 | 1,139 | 37 seconds | 56% | 17% |
| Server | 314 | 504 | 53 seconds | 48% | 28% |
| Printer | 86 | 97 | 34 seconds | 27% | 64% |

Use Case: Sentiment Analytics

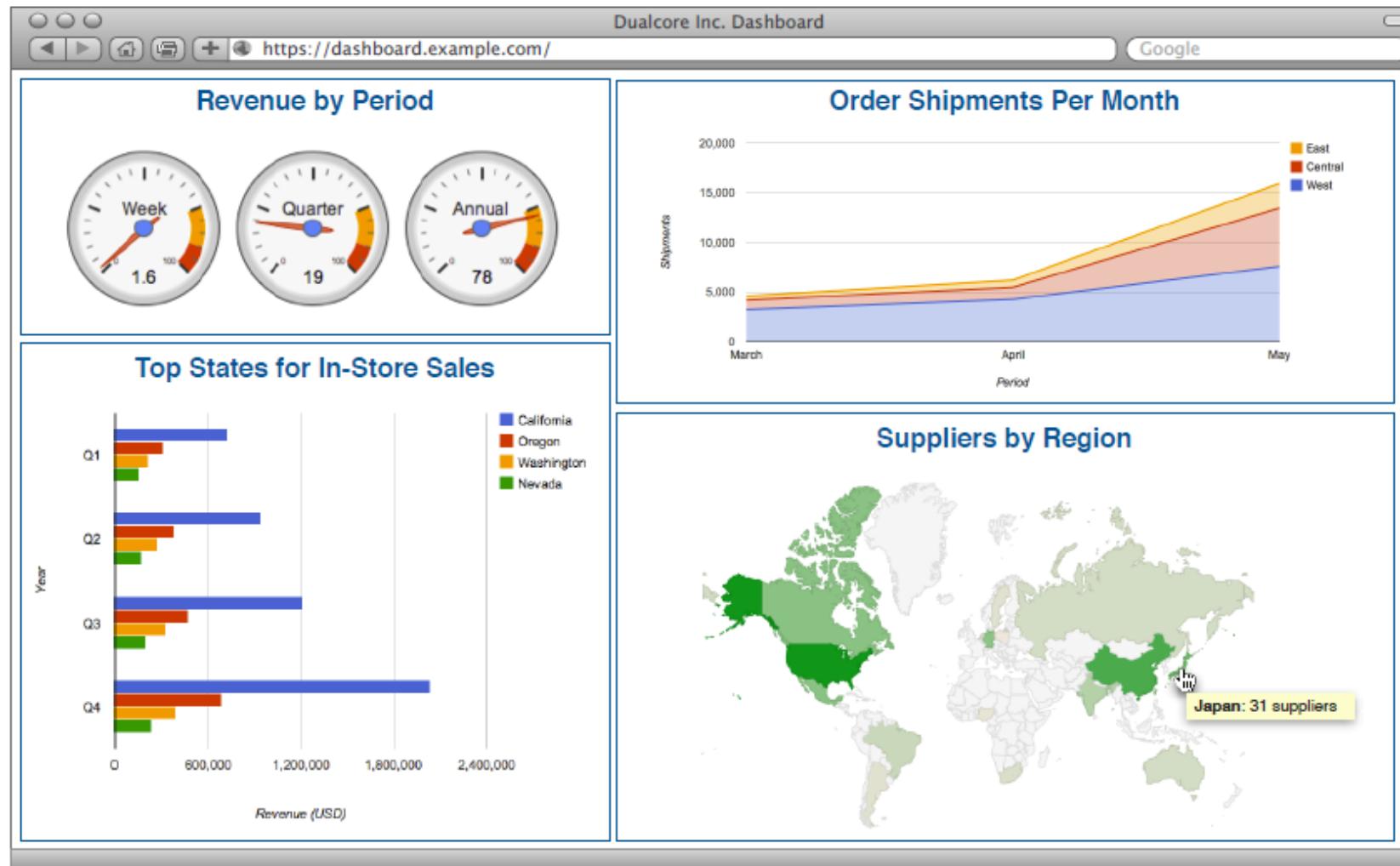
감정

- Many organizations use Hive or Impala to analyze social media coverage



Use Case: Business Intelligence

- Many leading business intelligence tools support Hive and Impala



Interacting with Hive and Impala

- Hive and Impala offer many interfaces for running queries
 - Command-line shell
 - Impala: Impala shell
 - Hive: Beeline
 - Hue Web UI
 - Hive Query Editor
 - Impala Query Editor
 - Metastore Manager
 - ODBC / JDBC *Standard interface for database*

Starting the Impala Shell

- You can execute statements in the Impala shell
 - This interactive tool is similar to the shell in MySQL
- Execute the **impala-shell** command to start the shell
 - Some log messages truncated to better fit the slide

```
$ impala-shell
Connected to localhost.localdomain:21000
Server version: impalad version 2.1.0-cdh5 ...
Welcome to the Impala shell.
[localhost.localdomain:21000] >
```

default hostname & port #

- Use **-i hostname:port** option to connect to a different server

```
$ impala-shell -i myserver.example.com:21000
[myserver.example.com:21000] >
```

Using the Impala Shell

- Enter **semicolon-terminated statements at the prompt**
 - Hit [Enter] to execute a query or command
 - Use the **quit** command to exit the shell
- Use **impala-shell --help** for a full list of options

Executing Queries in the Impala Shell

```
> SELECT lname, fname FROM customers WHERE state = 'CA'  
limit 50;
```

```
Query: select lname, fname FROM customers WHERE state =  
'CA' limit 50
```

```
+-----+-----+  
| lname | fname |  
+-----+-----+  
| Ham | Marilyn |  
| Franks | Gerard |  
| Preston | Mason |  
| Cortez | Pamela |
```

```
...
```

```
| Falgoust | Jennifer |  
+-----+-----+
```

```
Returned 50 row(s) in 0.17s
```

```
>
```

Note: shell prompt abbreviated as >

Interacting with the Operating System

Switch to Linux system/

- Use **shell** to execute system commands from within Impala shell

```
> shell date;  
Mon May 20 16:44:35 PDT 2013
```

- No direct support for HDFS commands

- But could run hdfs dfs using shell

```
> shell hdfs dfs -mkdir /reports/sales/2013;
```

Running Impala Queries from the Command Line

- You can execute a file containing queries using the `-f` option

```
$ impala-shell -f myquery.sql
```

- Run queries directly from the command line with the `-q` option

```
$ impala-shell -q 'SELECT * FROM users'
```

- Use `-o` to capture output to file

- Optionally specify delimiter

```
$ impala-shell -f myquery.sql \
  -o results.txt \
  --delimited \
  --output_delimiter=','
```

Practice – Impala Shell

■ Setup environments (remember these commands when the server is not working)

- \$DEV1/scripts/training_setup_dev1.sh
- sudo service zookeeper-server start
- sudo service hive-server2 start

1. In a terminal window, import the **webpage** table from MySQL directly into the Hive Metastore

```
sqoop import --connect jdbc:mysql://localhost/loudacre --username training --password training --fields-terminated-by "\t" --table webpage --hive-import --warehouse-dir=/user/hive/warehouse
```

- Hint1: use Sqoop command
- Hint2: use the option “--hive-import” to check the copied results from Impala-Shell
- Hint3: use --warehouse-dir= /user/hive/warehouse to specify the stored location

2. Using Hue or the HDFS command line, review the imported data files. The Hive import copies the data to the Hive warehouse location

3. In Impala Shell, execute a SQL that finds the name from the **webpage** table whose name includes starting with “ifruit”

- Caution: execute “**invalidate metadata;**” before executing SQL

impala & hive : share info each other. imported data in hive metastore, but access by impala

⇒ to share info, should invalidate existing info in impala ⇒ impala shell reload new info of data from hive-metastore

4. In Impala Shell, modify the previous SQL to find only 5 results

```
SELECT * FROM webpage WHERE name LIKE "ifruit%" limit 5;
```

Starting Beeline (Hive's Shell)

- You can execute HiveQL statements in the Beeline shell
 - Interactive shell based on the SQLLine utility
 - Similar to the Impala shell
- Start Beeline by specifying the URL for a Hive2 server
 - Plus username and password if required

```
$ beeline -u jdbc:hive2://host:10000 \
-n username -p password

0: jdbc:hive2://localhost:10000>
```

Executing Queries in Beeline

- SQL commands are terminated with semi-colon (;)
- Similar to Impala shell
 - Results formatting is slightly different

```
1: url> SELECT lname, fname FROM customers
. . . > WHERE state = 'CA' LIMIT 50;

+-----+-----+
| lname | fname |
+-----+-----+
| Ham   | Marilyn |
| Franks | Gerard |
| Preston | Mason |
...
| Falgoust | Jennifer |
+-----+-----+
50 rows selected (15.829 seconds)
```

```
1: url>
```

Using Beeline

- Execute **Beeline commands with '!'**
 - No terminator character
- **Some commands**
 - **!connect url** – connect to a different Hive2 server
 - **!exit** – exit the shell
 - **!help** – show the full list of commands **!run !table ...**
 - **!verbose** – show added details of queries

```
0: jdbc:hive2://localhost:10000> !exit
```

Executing Hive Queries from the Command Line

- You can also execute a file containing HiveQL code using the `-f` option

```
$ beeline -u ... -f myquery.hql
```

- Or use HiveQL directly from the command line using the `-e` option

```
$ beeline -u ... -e 'SELECT * FROM users'
```

- Use the `--silent` option to suppress informational messages

- Can also be used with `-e` or `-f` options

```
$ beeline -u ... --silent
```

Practice - setup

If you plan to use Hive rather than Impala for this or subsequent exercises, start the Hive server, which is not started by default, by entering the following two commands in a terminal window:

```
$ sudo service zookeeper-server start  
$ sudo service hive-server2 start
```

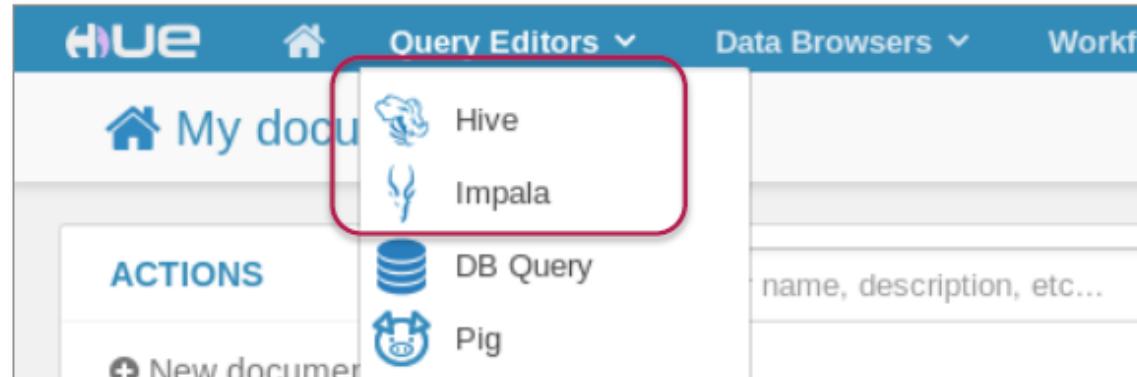
Practice – Hive's Shell

1. In a terminal window, import two tables **device** and **accountdevice** tables from MySQL directly into the Hive Metastore
2. In Beeline, execute a SQL that joins two tables device and accountdevice where device_id = 5
 - beeline -u jdbc:hive2://localhost:10000 -n training -p training
 - Hint: Join operations look like this - FROM CUSTOMERS c JOIN ORDERS o ON (c.ID = o.CUSTOMER_ID);
SELECT * FROM device d JOIN accountdevice ad ON (d.device_num = ad.device_id) WHERE device_id=5;
3. Make the SQL with a sql file and execute it from the command line

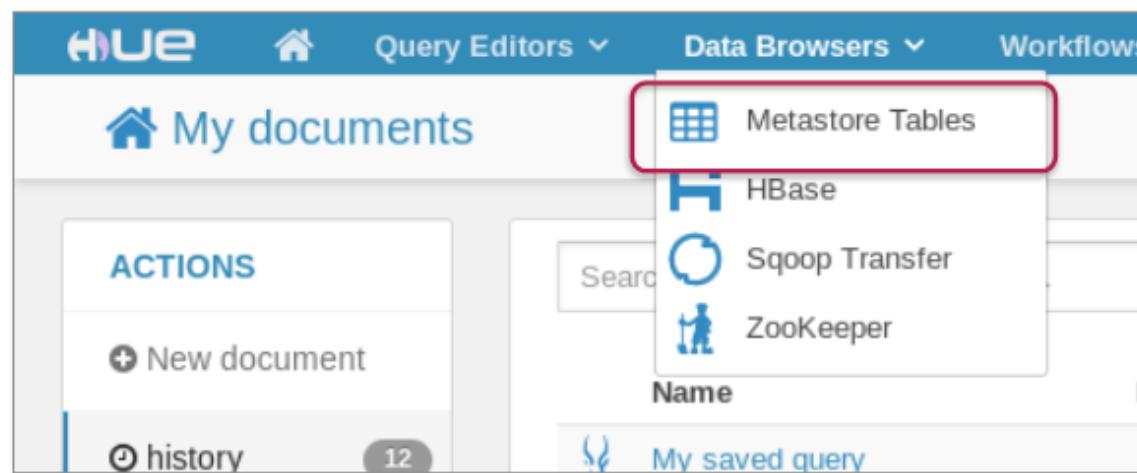
Using Hue with Hive and Impala

You can use Hue to...

Query data with
Hive or Impala



View and manage
the Metastore



The Hue Query Editor

- The Impala and Hive Query editors are nearly identical

The screenshot shows the Hue Query Editor interface. On the left, a sidebar titled 'Impala' contains a 'Database' dropdown set to 'default', a 'Table name...' input field, and a list of tables: 'customers', 'order_details', 'orders', and 'products'. The 'customers' table is expanded, showing columns: 'cust_id' (int), 'fname' (str), 'lname' (str), 'address' (str), 'city' (string), 'state' (string), and 'zipcode' (string). A blue box labeled 'Choose a database' points to the 'Database' dropdown. Another blue box labeled 'Explore schema and sample data' points to the expanded 'customers' table. The main area is titled 'Query Editor' and contains a query editor with the following text:
1 | `SELECT * FROM customers WHERE state = 'CA';`

Below the query editor are buttons: 'Execute', 'Save as...', 'Explain', 'or create a', and 'New query'. A blue box labeled 'Enter, edit, save and execute queries' points to the query editor area. At the bottom, there is a results table with the following data:

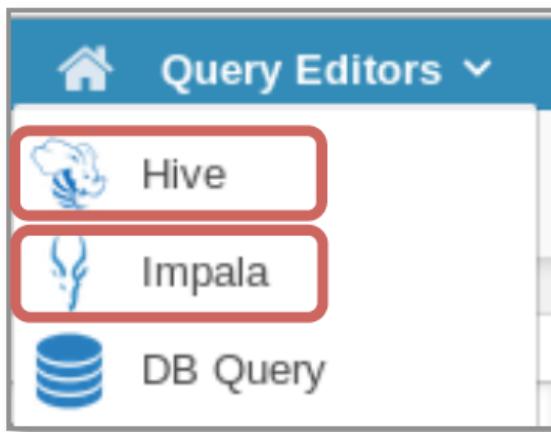
| | cust_id | fname | lname | address | city | state | zipcode |
|---|---------|---------|---------|----------------------------|----------------|-------|---------|
| 0 | 1000002 | Marilyn | Ham | 25831 North 25th Street | Concord | CA | 94522 |
| 1 | 1000006 | Gerard | Franks | 356 Turner Street | Pioneer | CA | 95666 |
| 2 | 1000010 | Mason | Preston | 2656 West 13th Street | Redwood Valley | CA | 95470 |
| 3 | 1000012 | Pamela | Cortez | 2279 North Mulberry Avenue | San Francis | | |

A blue box labeled 'View results, logs, reports, etc.' points to the results table. The interface also includes tabs for 'Recent queries', 'Query', 'Log', 'Columns', 'Results' (which is selected), and 'Chart'.

Practice – Hue Query Editors

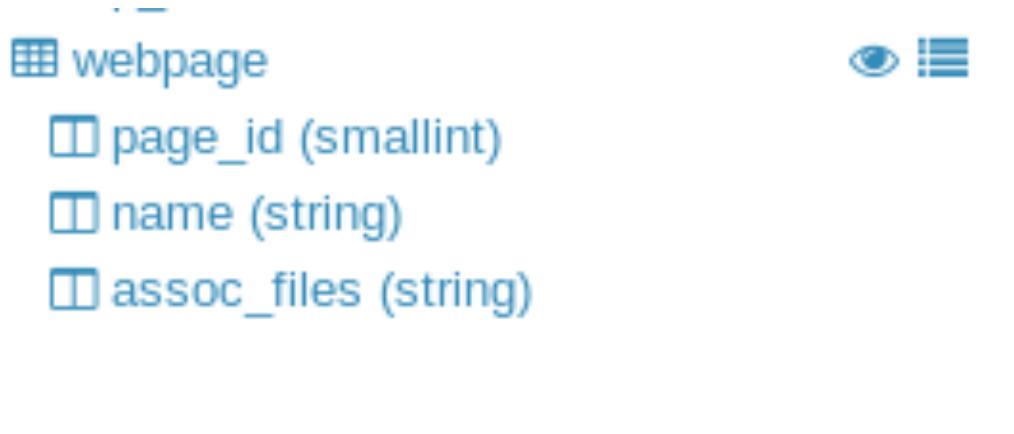
Visit the Hue page in Firefox, as described earlier in the “Using HDFS” exercise.

Open either the Impala query editor or Hive query editor, by selecting the editor of your choice from the **Query Editors** menu.



Practice – Hue Query Editors

1. Create the following table webpage using Hue query editors



| webpage | page_id (smallint) | name (string) | assoc_files (string) |
|---------|--------------------|---------------|----------------------|
|---------|--------------------|---------------|----------------------|

2. To see the table you just created, refresh the table list on the left.



3. Click on the **webpage** table to see the column definitions.

Your Cluster is Not a Database Server

Hive does not enforce referential integrity
cannot reliably query data in hive while loading data

overhead for processing MapReduce jobs

- Client-server database management systems have many strengths

- Very fast response time
 - Support for transactions
 - Allow modification of existing records
 - Can serve thousands of simultaneous clients

- Your Hadoop cluster is not an RDBMS

- Hive generates processing engine jobs (MapReduce) from HiveQL queries
 - Limitations of HDFS and MapReduce still apply
 - Impala is faster but not intended for the throughput speed required for an OLTP database
 - No transaction support

write once, read many design

⇒ hive does not allow update or delete of individual records

Exception of Map Reduce Overhead ⇒ reading data from table w/o any processing available

Basically hive requires heavy overhead

e.g., "SELECT * FROM table" ⇒ return data directly w/o any processing (MapReduce job)
no conversion SQL to M-R jobs for retrieving all data

Comparing Hive and Impala to A Relational Database

| | Relational Database | Hive | Impala |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|--|-----------------------------|
| Query language | SQL (full) | SQL (subset) ^(subset) Hive-QL supports most SQL syntax standard | SQL (subset) |
| Update individual records | Yes | No | No |
| Delete individual records | Yes | No | No |
| Transactions | Yes | No | No |
| Index support | Extensive | Limited | No |
| Latency | Very low <i>[trade off]</i> | High <i>... MapReduce</i> | Low <i>... No MapReduce</i> |
| Data size | Terabytes <i>[↙]</i> | Petabytes | Petabytes |

Hive \Rightarrow large scale analytical query & reporting

Essential Points

- Impala and Hive are tools for performing SQL queries on data in HDFS
- HiveQL and Impala SQL are very similar to SQL-92
 - Easy to learn for those with relational database experience
 - However, does not replace your RDBMS
- Hive generates jobs that run on the Hadoop cluster data processing engine
 - Runs MapReduce jobs on Hadoop based on HiveQL statements
- Impala execute queries directly on the Hadoop cluster
 - Uses a very fast specialized SQL engine, not MapReduce