

Character Count with MapReduce*

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Learning objectives

Write a MapReduce application that counts the number of characters in a corpus of text of one or multiple files.

Input data

my dreams my dreams
what has become of their sweetness
what indeed has become of my youth

Output data

Characters 73

Solution

Listing 1: CharCount Class

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1 import java.io.IOException;
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3 import org.apache.hadoop.conf.Configuration;
4 import org.apache.hadoop.fs.Path;
5 import org.apache.hadoop.io.IntWritable;
6 import org.apache.hadoop.io.Text;
7 import org.apache.hadoop.mapreduce.Job;
8 import org.apache.hadoop.mapreduce.Mapper;
9 import org.apache.hadoop.mapreduce.Reducer;
10 import org.apache.hadoop.mapreduce.lib.input.FileInputFormat;
11 import org.apache.hadoop.mapreduce.lib.output.FileOutputFormat;
12
13 public class CharCount {
14
15     public static class CharMapper
16         extends Mapper<Object, Text, Text, IntWritable> {
17
18         private final static Text word = new Text("Characters");
19         private IntWritable length = new IntWritable();
20
21         public void map(Object key, Text value, Context context
22             ) throws IOException, InterruptedException {
23             length.set(value.getLength());
24             context.write(word, length);
25         }
26     }
27
28     public static class IntSumReducer
29         extends Reducer<Text, IntWritable, Text, IntWritable> {
30         private IntWritable result = new IntWritable();
31
32         public void reduce(Text key, Iterable<IntWritable> values,
33             Context context
34             ) throws IOException, InterruptedException {
35             int sum = 0;
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36     for (IntWritable val : values) {
37         sum += val.get();
38     }
39     result.set(sum);
40     context.write(key, result);
41 }
42 }
43
44 public static void main(String[] args) throws Exception {
45     Configuration conf = new Configuration();
46     Job job = Job.getInstance(conf, "Char count");
47     job.setJarByClass(CharCount.class);
48     job.setMapperClass(CharMapper.class);
49     job.setCombinerClass(IntSumReducer.class);
50     job.setReducerClass(IntSumReducer.class);
51     job.setOutputKeyClass(Text.class);
52     job.setOutputValueClass(IntWritable.class);
53     FileInputFormat.addInputPath(job, new Path(args[0]));
54     FileOutputFormat.setOutputPath(job, new Path(args[1]));
55     System.exit(job.waitForCompletion(true) ? 0 : 1);
56 }
57 }

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Note: It is highly recommended to manually write the code instead of copy/pasting.