

Introduction to Spark

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What is Apache Spark



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Spark
SQL

Spark
Streaming

MLlib
(machine
learning)

GraphX
(graph)

Apache Spark



```
text_file = spark.textFile("hdfs://...")
```

```
text_file.flatMap(lambda line: line.split())  
            .map(lambda word: (word, 1))  
            .reduceByKey(lambda a, b: a+b)
```



Word count in Spark's Python API



```
val f = sc.textFile("hdfs://...")  
  
val wc = f.flatMap(l => l.split(" "))  
            .map(word => (word, 1))  
            .reduceByKey(_ + _)
```

Word count in Spark's Scala API

Apache Spark



- Spark started as a research project at UC Berkeley
 - Matei Zaharia created Spark during his PhD
 - Ion Stoica was his advisor
- DataBricks is the Spark start-up, that has raised \$46 million



⇒ *Now an Apache project*



- An RDD is a fault-tolerant collection of elements that can be operated on in parallel.
- RDDs are created :
 - parallelizing an existing collection in your driver program, or
 - referencing a dataset in an external storage system



```
data = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]  
distData = sc.parallelize(data)
```

Spark's Python API



```
val data = Array(1, 2, 3, 4, 5)
val distData = sc.parallelize(data)
```

Spark's Scala API



```
List<Integer> data = Arrays.asList(1, 2, 3, 4, 5);  
JavaRDD<Integer> distData = sc.parallelize(data);
```

Spark's Java API



```
>>> distFile = sc.textFile("data.txt")  
PythonRDD[60] at RDD at PythonRDD.scala:53
```

Spark's Python API



```
scala> val distFile = sc.textFile("data.txt")  
distFile: RDD[String] = MappedRDD@1d4cee08
```

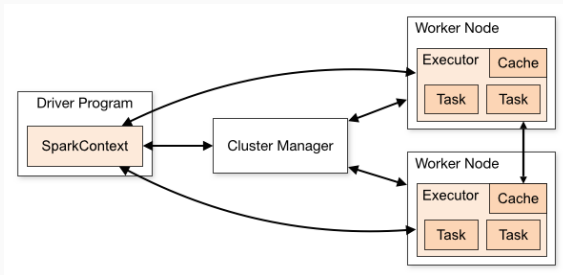
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Spark's Java API

Spark Cluster

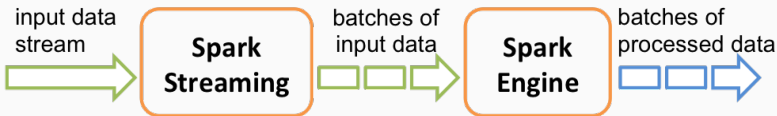


Cluster Components



- Spark is agnostic to the underlying cluster manager.
- The spark driver is the program that declares the transformations and actions on RDDs of data and submits such requests to the master.
- Each application gets its own executor processes, which stay up for the duration of the whole application and run tasks in multiple threads. Each driver schedules its own tasks.
- The drivers must listen for and accept incoming connections from its executors throughout its lifetime
- Because the driver schedules tasks on the cluster, it should be

Apache Spark Streaming

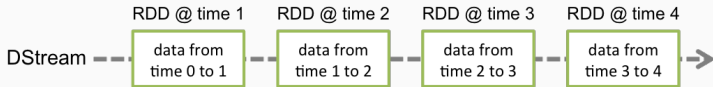


Spark Streaming is an extension of Spark that allows processing data stream using micro-batches of data.

Discretized Streams (DStreams)



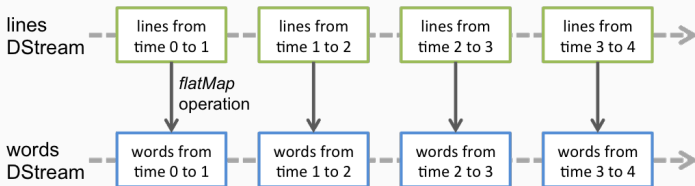
- Discretized Stream or DStream represents a continuous stream of data,
 - either the input data stream received from source, or
 - the processed data stream generated by transforming the input stream.
- Internally, a DStream is represented by a continuous series of RDDs



Discretized Streams (DStreams)



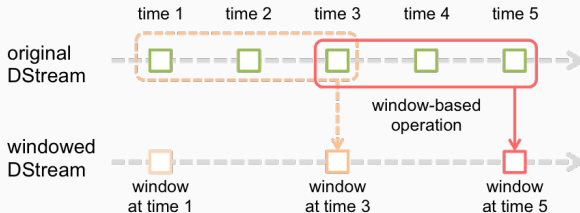
- Any operation applied on a DStream translates to operations on the underlying RDDs.



Discretized Streams (DStreams)



- Spark Streaming provides windowed computations, which allow transformations over a sliding window of data.





```
val conf = new SparkConf().setMaster("local[2]").setAppName("WCount")
val ssc = new StreamingContext(conf, Seconds(1))

// Create a DStream that will connect to hostname:port, like localhost:9999
val lines = ssc.socketTextStream("localhost", 9999)

// Split each line into words
val words = lines.flatMap(_.split(" "))

// Count each word in each batch
val pairs = words.map(word => (word, 1))
val wordCounts = pairs.reduceByKey(_ + _)

// Print the first ten elements of each RDD generated in this DStream to the console
wordCounts.print()

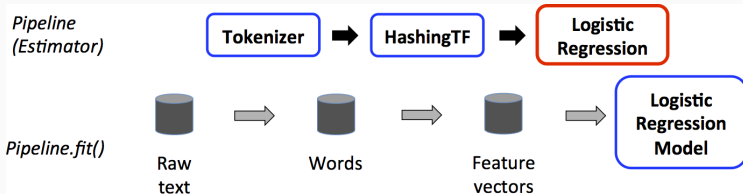
ssc.start()           // Start the computation
ssc.awaitTermination() // Wait for the computation to terminate
```



- Spark SQL is a Spark module for structured data processing.
- It provides a programming abstraction called DataFrames and can also act as distributed SQL query engine.
- A DataFrame is a distributed collection of data organized into named columns. It is conceptually equivalent to a table in a relational database .



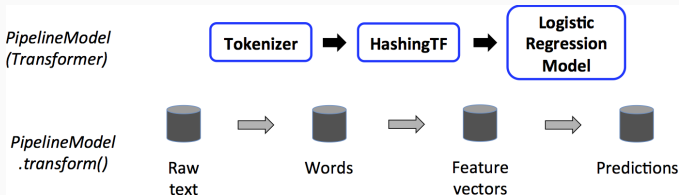
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Spark Machine Learning Libraries

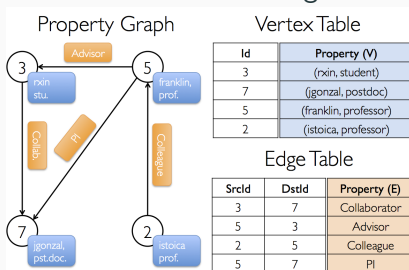


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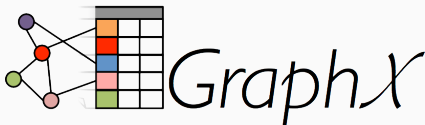




- GraphX optimizes the representation of vertex and edge types when they are primitive data types
- The **property graph** is a directed multigraph with user defined objects attached to each vertex and edge.



Spark GraphX



```
// Assume the SparkContext has already been constructed
val sc: SparkContext
// Create an RDD for the vertices
val users: RDD[(VertexId, (String, String))] =
  sc.parallelize(Array((3L, ("rxin", "student")), (7L, ("jgonzal", "postdoc")),
    (5L, ("franklin", "prof")), (2L, ("istoica", "prof"))))
// Create an RDD for edges
val relationships: RDD[Edge[String]] =
  sc.parallelize(Array(Edge(3L, 7L, "collab"), Edge(5L, 3L, "advisor"),
    Edge(2L, 5L, "colleague"), Edge(5L, 7L, "pi")))
// Define a default user in case there are relationship with missing user
val defaultUser = ("John Doe", "Missing")
// Build the initial Graph
val graph = Graph(users, relationships, defaultUser)
```



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Spark Resilient Distributed Datasets

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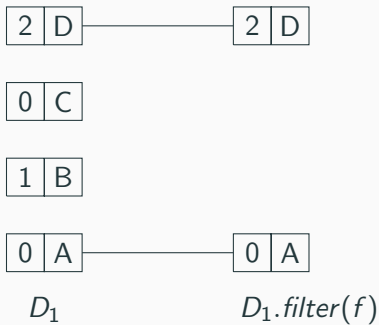
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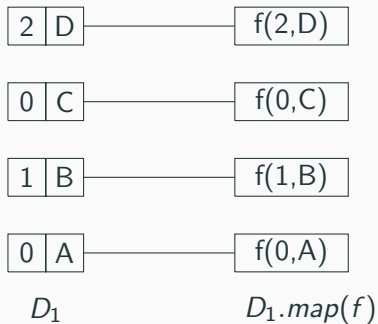
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2. Computation failure is rare
3. Provide high(er)-level constructs and interactivity

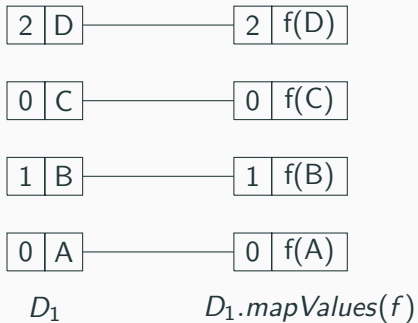
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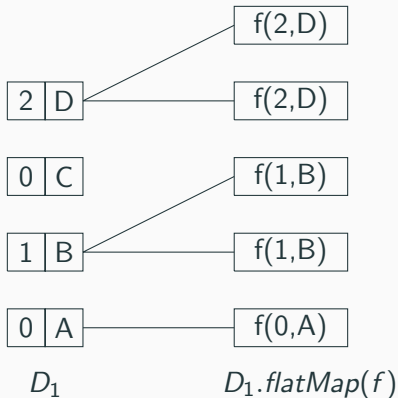
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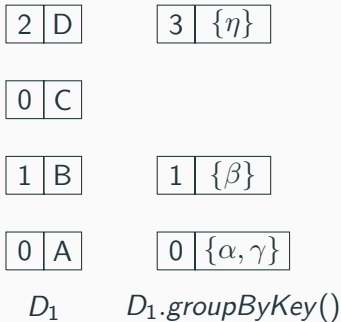
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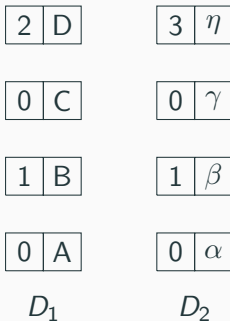
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Simple operations on RDD

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1	B
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1	β
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0	A
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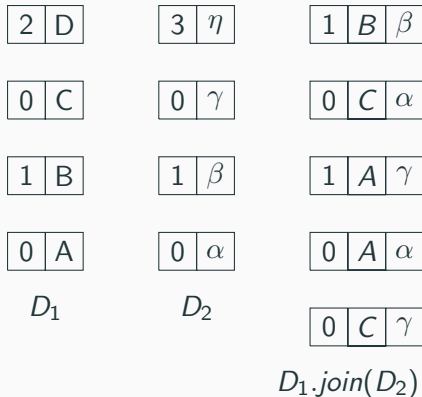
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D_1

D_2

$D_1.union(D_2)$

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Practical Spark

Spark RDD API (extract)

filter	limits the number of records
map	transform records
mapValues	transforms only the value
flatMap	maps each record to 0, 1 or more elements
reduce	combines all elements
fold	combines all elements with an initial value
aggregate	fold+reduce
distinct	eliminates duplicates

Manipulating RDDs

<code>groupByKey</code>	corresponds to a shuffle
<code>reduceByKey(f)</code>	reduce for each key
<code>foldByKey(f)</code>	fold for each key
<code>keyBy(f)</code>	create pair-RDD from RDD

Manipulating pair-RDDs

Spark RDD API (extract)

cartesian	build the cartesian product
join	behaves like SQL join (supposes two pair-RDDs)
union	takes the union of two RDDs
intersection	takes the union of two RDDs
subtract	takes the union of two RDDs
coGroup	generalized groupByKey (supposes two pair-RDDs)

Combining several RDDs

Spark RDD API (extract)

<code>textFile(path)</code>	creates an RDD with an item per line
<code>saveAsTextFile(path)</code>	saves an RDD with an item per line
<code>sortWith(f)</code>	sort according to comparison f

Tools for RDDs

<code>take(n)</code>	retrieves the n first elements
<code>collect()</code>	retrieves whole RDD
<code>count()</code>	counts the number of items
<code>fold / reduce / aggregate</code>	
<code>foreach</code>	apply a function on each element

Actions on RDDs





```
lines = sc.textFile("data.txt")  
lineLengths = lines.map(lambda s: len(s))  
totalLength = lineLengths.reduce(lambda a, b: a + b)
```

Spark's Python API



```
val lines = sc.textFile("data.txt")  
val lineLengths = lines.map(s => s.length)  
val totalLength = lineLengths.reduce((a, b) => a + b)
```

Spark's Scala API



```
JavaRDD<String> lines = sc.textFile("data.txt");  
JavaRDD<Integer> lineLengths = lines.map(s -> s.length());  
int totalLength = lineLengths.reduce((a, b) -> a + b);
```

Spark's Java API

Spark API: Working with Key-Value Pairs



```
lines = sc.textFile("data.txt")
pairs = lines.map(lambda s: (s, 1))
counts = pairs.reduceByKey(lambda a, b: a + b)
```

Spark's Python API

Spark API: Working with Key-Value Pairs



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Spark's Scala API

Spark API: Working with Key-Value Pairs



```
JavaRDD<String> lines = sc.textFile("data.txt");  
JavaPairRDD<String, Integer> pairs =  
    lines.mapToPair(s -> new Tuple2(s, 1));  
JavaPairRDD<String, Integer> counts =  
    pairs.reduceByKey((a, b) -> a + b);
```

Spark's Java API

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Iterations

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Such jobs are often required by data mining algorithm (e.g. the gradient descent for logistic regression).

Logistic regression

```
# Compute logistic regression gradient for a matrix of data points
def gradient(matrix, w):
    Y = matrix[:, 0]    # point labels (first column of input file)
    X = matrix[:, 1:]   # point coordinates
    # For each point (x, y), compute gradient function, then sum these up
    return ((1.0 / (1.0 + np.exp(-Y * X.dot(w))) - 1.0) * Y * X.T).sum(1)

def add(x, y):
    x += y
    return x

for i in range(iterations):
    print("On iteration %i" % (i + 1))
    w -= points.map(lambda m: gradient(m, w)).reduce(add)
```

From Spark: `examples/src/main/python/logistic_regression.py`

Caching and persistence

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Spark caches by default the materialization, but the user can specify the caching.

Type	Space	CPU
MEMORY_ONLY*	high	low
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MEMORY_AND_DISK	high	med
MEMORY_AND_DISK_SER	low	high
DISK_ONLY	low	high

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Shared Variables



```
>>> broadcastVar = sc.broadcast([1, 2, 3])
```

```
>>> broadcastVar.value  
[1, 2, 3]
```

Spark's Python API



```
scala> val broadcastVar = sc.broadcast(Array(1, 2, 3))
```

```
scala> broadcastVar.value
```

```
res0: Array[Int] = Array(1, 2, 3)
```

Spark's Scala API

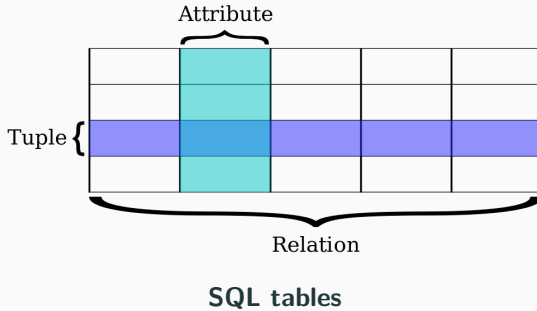


```
Broadcast<int[]> broadcastVar =  
    sc.broadcast(new int[] {1, 2, 3});  
  
broadcastVar.value();  
// returns [1, 2, 3]
```

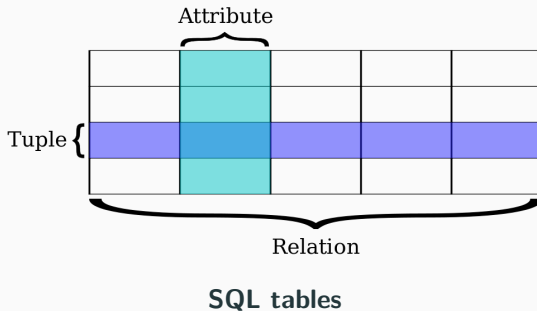
Spark's Java API

Spark Dataframes

SQL model



SQL model



Dataframes are basically RDD with an explicit schema but:

1. untyped data
2. can be optimized

Creating Dataframes From RDDs 1/3

```
val movies = ... // of type RDD[(int,string,string)]  
...  
val dfMovies = movies.toDF("movieId","title","genre")
```

Creating Dataframes From RDDs 2/3

```
class Movie(movieId: Int, title: String, genre: String)
...
val movies = ... // of type RDD[Movie]
...
val dfMovies = movies.toDF
```

Creating Dataframes From RDDs 3/3

```
val myRDD = something //  
...  
val mySchema = StructType(List(  
    StructField("number", IntegerType, true),  
    StructField("word", StringType, true)))  
...  
val myDF = spark.createDataFrame(myRDD, mySchema)
```

Creating Dataframes From Files

Spark can read from:

1. CSV
2. JSON
3. Parquet
4. *etc.*

```
val myDF = spark.read.format("csv").  
    option("header","true").  
    load("/datasets/movie_small/ratings.csv")
```

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```
import org.apache.spark.sql.types.{StructType, StructField, FloatType,
    IntegerType, LongType};
val mySchema = StructType(List(StructField("userId", IntegerType, true),
    StructField("movieId", IntegerType, true),
    StructField("rating", FloatType, true),
    StructField("timestamp", LongType, true)))
val myDF = spark.read.format("csv").option("header", "true").
    schema(mySchema).
    load("/datasets/movie_small/ratings.csv")
```

Operations on DataFrames

<code>select</code>	projection on some columns
<code>agg</code>	aggregation
<code>groupBy</code>	use in conjunction with <code>agg</code>
<code>join</code>	inner join
<code>filter</code>	filter some columns
<code>limit</code>	equivalent to <code>take(<i>n</i>)</code>
<code>orderBy</code>	sort by a given column
<code>where</code>	condition on join
<code>union</code>	union
<code>show</code>	print 20 first entries
<code>printSchema</code>	print schema
<code>as</code>	name table
<code>drop</code>	remove records with NULL
<code>fill</code>	replace NULL with value

Example

```
val schema2 = StructType(List(
  StructField("movieId", IntegerType),
  StructField("title", StringType)))
val movieDF = spark.read.format("csv").
  option("header", "true").
  schema(schema2).
  load("/datasets/movie_small/movies.csv")
myDF2.join(movieDF,
  myDF2("movieId")===movieDF("movieId")).
show()
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Datasets

Dataframes can be generalized into *Datasets*, giving the best of both worlds.



Spark SQL

Use any SQL command

Example!

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A
C
E

OUTPUT
B

Exercise revisited (hard)

Input

You are given the Twitter following list: each record is a pair (A_i, B_i) indicating that account A_i follows B_i .

Problem

Compute the accounts that have more followers than followees.

Example

INPUT	
A	B
A	D
B	C
B	D
C	E

OUTPUT
E
D
C

Exercise revisited (hardest)

Input

You are given the Twitter following list: each record is a pair (A_i, L_i) indicating that account A_i follows the accounts in the list L_i .

Problem

Compute for each account A the list of accounts that are followed by an account followed by A .

Example

INPUT	
A	B,D
B	C,D
C	E

OUTPUT	
A	C,D
B	E

Playing With The Movie Lens Dataset
