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Abstract

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1 Introduction

2 Related Work

2.1 Apache Spark

Spark is a data processing framework that was first introduced in 2012 [1]. Similar to other systems, such as MapReduce [2] and Dryad [3], it aims to offer a clean and flexible abstraction to distributed computations on large datasets. However, Spark offers two advantages in comparison to such systems: It makes use of a shared memory abstraction that improves performance by avoiding persisting intermediate sets. It also provides an efficient fault-tolerance mechanism, based on tracking coarse-grained operations, that can recover lost tasks with minimal impact.

The working units in Spark are called *Resilient Distributed Datasets*, better known as RDDs. These units represent an immutable partitioned collection of elements in a distributed memory space. RDDs can only be created through a set of deterministic operations, known as *transformations* (e.g., *map*, *filter* and *join*), that can be applied to both, raw data or other RDDs. Transformations are not evaluated immediately, instead Spark keeps track of all the transformations applied to each RDD in a program so it can optimize their subsequent processing. Additionally, RDDs can be made persistent into storage or can be operated to produce a value. This kind of operations are known as *actions* (e.g., *count*, *reduce* and *save*), and they are the ones that trigger the processing of RDDs.

To interact with the RDD abstraction, Spark provides several APIs for different programming languages such as Java, Scala, Python and recently R [4]. Listing 2.1 presents a simple Spark program written with the Scala API, that processes log files in the search for errors. The operation in line 1 creates the first RDD from a log file, whose origin could be a local file or a partitioned file in a distributed file system such as Hadoop Distributed File System (HDFS) [5]. Spark converts each line in the file to a *String* element in the newly created RDD. In lines 2 to 4, a chain of transformations is applied to the RDD: First, elements not containing the text “ERROR” are filtered. Next, each resulting element is transformed to a tuple consisting of a certain property (e.g., error type; assumed to be the first information in a log entry) and the number 1. Finally, the tuples are grouped and counted based on the chosen property. Line 5 represents the action applied to the RDD, in this saving it to persistent storage.

```
1 val log = spark.textFile("*file*")
2 val errors = log.filter(_.contains("ERROR"))
3   .map(error => (error.split('\t')(0),1))
4   .reduceByKey(_+_ )
5 errors.save()
```

Listing 2.1: Entries in a log file are filtered, grouped and counted based on a common property. Finally the result is saved to persistent storage.

During the execution of a program, Spark does not generate imperatively new data collections for every transformation it finds. Instead, it constructs new RDDs attached with the operation that has to be applied to each element. The resulting RDD is a sequence of operations starting from the source dataset, whose semantics depends on the nature of each transformation applied. It is not until an action is found that the target RDD is resolved and the whole sequence of transformations actually operates the data.

Delaying the resolution of RDDs in this way allows Spark to improve the distribution of operations in a clustered dataset, taking advantage of properties like data locality. Moreover, the trace of operations that produced a certain element in an RDD, known as *lineage*, enables Spark to recover failed tasks only recalling to the necessary data elements that reproduce the lost portion. Figure 2.1 depicts the resulting lineage of the program explained in listing 2.1.

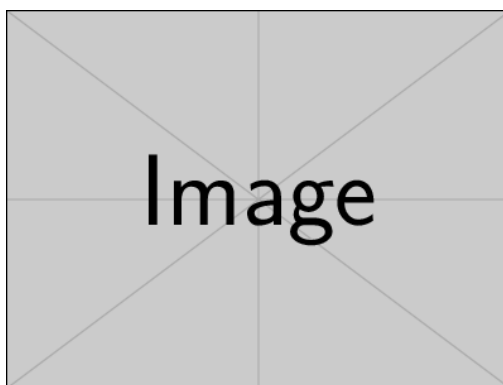


Figure 2.1: Lineage of a simple Spark program.

Most of the operations in Spark are higher-order functions, this means they accept one or more functions as parameters. For example, the *filter* transformation requires a function that takes an element of the RDD and evaluates to a boolean value. The user-defined functions work as closures by scoping their environment even if it contains references to variables outside it; this allows Spark to ensure consistency when applying such functions in parallel nodes. The use of higher-order functions provides a flexible mechanism to adapt Spark computation model to different tasks.

(Spark) Iterative algorithms and interactive querying of data sets.

(Version: Be sure to mention the current version of Spark at the moment or the version used for the analysis)

(Mention an evaluation of Spark, better if it comes from different sources)

(Transformations and Actions supported in paper) Table 2: Transformations and actions available on RDDs in Spark. Seq[T] denotes a sequence of elements of type T [1]

(Graph representation) We propose a simple graph-based representation for RDDs that facilitates these goals. (The goal of connecting consecutive RDD operations) [1]

(Concept of narrow dependency. Maybe not useful here but I don't want to forget) First, narrow dependencies allow for pipelined execution on one cluster node, which can compute all the parent partitions.

For example, one can apply a map followed by a filter on an element-by-element basis [1]

(Runs under Mesos maybe not necessary) The system runs over the Mesos cluster manager, allowing it to share resources with Hadoop, MPI and other applications [1]

(Mention that Spark has several libraries, machine learning, graph, stream, structured)

(Mention that Spark is now an Apache product but also under Databricks) Cite [6]

Check R. Bose and J. Frew. Lineage retrieval for scientific data processing: a survey and Cheney, L. Chiticariu, and W.-C. Tan. Provenance in databases: Why, how, and where



3 Evaluation





4 Future Work

5 Einrichtung und Erläuterungen

Es wird empfohlen, bei der Installation einer L^AT_EX-Distribution die Optionen *automatische Updates* bzw. *on the fly-Installation* zu aktivieren. Dies hat den Vorteil, dass bislang nicht installierte Pakete bei Bedarf automatisch nachinstalliert werden.

Um das modifizierte TU-Design zu verwenden, müssen Sie zunächst das offizielle TU-Design installieren. Die dazugehörigen, betriebssystemabhängigen Installationsanleitungen finden Sie unten.

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Beispiel: `\usepackage[blue]{tustyle}` lädt das Paket *tustyle* mit der Farbe *blau*

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5.1 Einrichtung unter Windows

5.1.1 Setup

Zu Beginn wird für den Start folgendes Setup vorgeschlagen:

- \LaTeX -Distribution: MiKTeX [Zugriff: 13.12.2014]
- \LaTeX -Editor: TeXstudio [Zugriff: 13.12.2014]
- Literaturverwaltung (optional): Endnote/Citavi [Zugriff: 13.12.2014] mit TU-Lizenz der ULB oder das kostenfreie JabRef [Zugriff: 13.12.2014]
- PDF-Reader (optional): Sumatra PDF [Zugriff: 13.12.2014] (Adobe Reader verhindert den Kompilervorgang bei geöffnetem PDF-Dokument)

Es gibt eine Vielzahl kostenloser und kostenpflichtiger \LaTeX Distributionen (Auswahl [Zugriff: 13.12.2014]) und Editoren (Übersicht [Zugriff: 13.12.2014]) mit unterschiedlichem Funktionsumfang, mit denen persönliche Vorlieben erfüllt werden können. Aus Gründen der Einfachheit und Reproduzierbarkeit beziehen sich Hilfestellungen sowie Tipps und Tricks dieser Einrichtungshilfe allerdings auf oben genanntes Setup. Die Installation der genannten Komponenten ist unproblematisch und sollte mit den jeweiligen Installationsprogrammen durchgeführt werden können.

Für eine problemlose Kompilierung unter Windows 7 wird empfohlen, die Miktexversion für 32 Bit zu verwenden.

5.1.2 Installation der TU-Design-Vorlage für \LaTeX

Die Vorlage für Abschlussarbeiten greift für die Umsetzung des Corporate Designs der TU Darmstadt auf die TUD-Design \LaTeX Vorlage [Zugriff: 13.12.2014] zurück, welche von der Stabstelle Kommunikation und Medien genehmigt wurde. Diese hält die Vorgaben des Corporate Design Handbuchs (CDH) recht strikt ein (striktter als viele Fachgebiete dies bei den jeweils eigenen Word-Vorlagen tun), weshalb manche Anpassungen an Institutsvorgaben u.U. nur schwer umsetzbar sind, da sie gegen das CDH verstoßen. Die notwendigen Pakete für die Verwendung der Vorlage für Abschlussarbeiten sind

- das TUD-Design [Zugriff: 13.12.2014]
- die TUD- Fonts [Zugriff: 13.12.2014]

Hinweis: die TUD-Design Thesis Klasse, welche ebenfalls zum Download bereit steht, wird nicht benötigt.

Installation

Für die Installation der TUD-Design Vorlage unter der MiKTeX Distribution unter Windows 7 kann folgende überarbeitete Anleitung verwendet werden. Sie basiert auf der Installationsanleitung auf den Seiten der TUD-Design Vorlage [Zugriff: 13.12.2014].

Hinweis: Für die Installation werden Administrator-Rechte benötigt

1. Entpacken der beiden Zip-Dateien (fonts und tudesign) und anschließend aus den beiden Ordnern einen machen (ineinander kopieren und Verzeichnisse überschreiben)
2. Öffnen der Eingabeaufforderung mit Administratorrechten: Start » Programme » Zubehör, dann Rechtsklick auf Eingabeaufforderung » „Als Administrator ausführen“
3. Mit `cd <Pfad>` in das Verzeichnis wechseln, in dem der in 1 angelegte Ordner `texmf` liegt. Falls der `texmf`-Ordner auf einem anderen Laufwerk als C liegt, muss beim Verzeichniswechsel der Parameter `/d` angegeben werden:
Beispiel:
`texmf`-Ordner liegt unter `E:\Test`
Befehl: `cd /d E:\Test`
4. Löschen des Ordners `texmf\fonts\map\dvipdfm` inklusive seines Inhalts mit folgendem Befehl
`rmdir /Q /S "C:\Users\Benutzername\TU-Design\texmf\fonts\map\dvipdfm"`
5. Kopieren der Unterverzeichnisse von `texmf` in den Ordner `%PROGRAMFILES%\tudesign\` mit folgendem Befehl:
`xcopy texmf "%PROGRAMFILES%\tudesign" /E /I`
Falls der `xcopy` Befehl fehlschlägt, liegen keine Administratorrechte vor (keine Schreibrechte für Programme-Ordner)
6. Dannach folgenden Befehl ausführen:
`mo_admin`
Zum Reiter Roots wechseln, den *add*-Knopf drücken und das Verzeichnis `%PROGRAMFILES%\tudesign` auswählen. (Unterordner `tudesign` im Standard-Programmverzeichnis der Windows-Partition - i.d.R. auf C:\)
Dann auf *OK* klicken.
7. In der Konsole folgendes eingeben:
`initexmf --admin --update-fndb`
8. Anschließend Folgendes eingeben
`initexmf --edit-config-file=updmap`
9. Folgende Zeilen in die sich öffnende Datei einfügen und speichern:

Map 5ch.map
Map 5fp.map
Map 5sf.map

10. Abschließend diesen Befehl ausführen
`initexmf --mkmaps`

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 - [6] *Apache Spark™ - Lightning-Fast Cluster Computing.* URL: <http://spark.apache.org/> (visited on 2017).
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Glossary

Lineage	Lineage description
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List of Abbreviations and Acronyms

API	Application Programming Interface
HDFS	Hadoop Distributed File System
RDD	Resilient Distributed Dataset

A Anhang

A.1 Ein Anhang

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A.1.1 Teil eines Anhangs

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- Fifth item in a list

A.2 Noch ein Anhang

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$$\bar{x} = \frac{1}{n} \cdot \sum_{i=1}^{i=n} x_i = \frac{x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n}{n} \quad (\text{A.1})$$

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$$\int_0^{\infty} e^{-ax^2} dx = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-ax^2} dx} \cdot \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-ay^2} dy = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{a}} \quad (\text{A.2})$$

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$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_0 g^k = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=0}^n a_0 q^k = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_0 \frac{1 - q^{n+1}}{1 - q} = \frac{a_0}{1 - q} \quad (\text{A.3})$$

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$$x_{1,2} = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} = \frac{-p \pm \sqrt{p^2 - 4q}}{2} \quad (\text{A.4})$$

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$$\frac{\partial^2 \Phi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \Phi}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \Phi}{\partial z^2} = \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 \Phi}{\partial t^2} \quad (\text{A.5})$$

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