Optimistic Concurrency Control in a Distributed NameNode Architecture for Hadoop Distributed File System

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Motivation

Industrial Standard in Big Data Era

Apache Hadoop Ecosystem

Limits to growth in HDFS

Number of Files	Memory Requirement	Physical Storage
1 million	0.6 GB	0.6 PB
100 million	60 GB	60 PB
1 billion	600 GB	600 PB

Hops-HDFS and Its Limitation

Distributed NameNode Architecture Maintain HDFS Strong Consistency Semantics Concurrency Restricted



Problem Statement

HDFS

System-level Lock: Single Writer

MySQL Cluster

Read Committed Isolation Level: Anomalies

Hops-HDFS v1

System-level Lock: Single Writer + Network Latency

Hops-HDFS v2 (Pessimistic Concurrency Control - PCC)

Row-level Lock: Implicit Locking -> Single Writer + Network Latency

Contribution

Architecture and Namespace Concurrency Control Accessment

GFS, HDFS, Hops-HDFS

Performance Accessment and Limitation Analysis

HDFS v.s. Hops-HDFS v2 (PCC version)

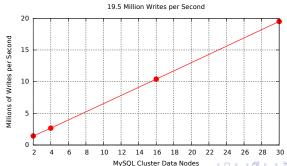
Solution for Hops-HDFS

- Optimistic Concurrency Control with Snapshot Isolation on Semantic Related Group
- Performance Increase Up to 70 %
- Correctness ensured by Passing 300+ Apache HDFS Unit Tests: maintain HDFS semantics

MySQL Cluster

Distributed, In-memory, Replicated Database

- Scalable
- Fault-tolerance
- High throughput
- BUT: Supports only Read Committed Isolation Level





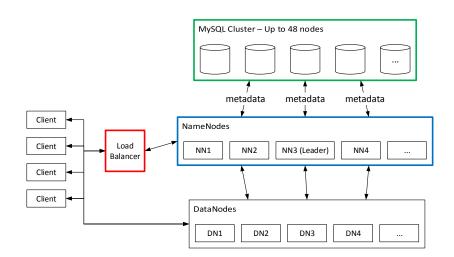
Hops ¹-HDFS

Overcome Limitations in HDFS NameNode

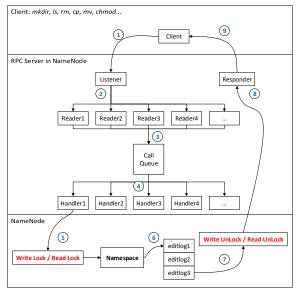
- Scalability of the Namespace
- Throughput Problem
- Failure Recovery



Hops-HDFS Architecture

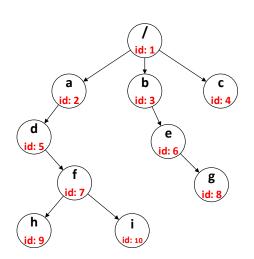


HDFS Namespace Concurrency Control Assessment





Hops-HDFS Namespace Structure



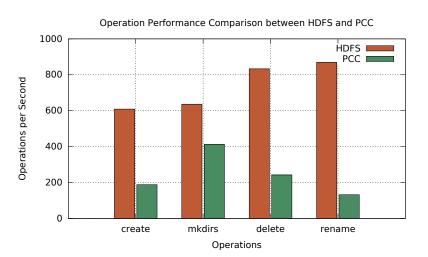
id	parent_id	name
1	0	/
3	1	а
	1	b
4	1	С
5	2	d
6	3	е
7	5	f
8	6	g
9	7	h
10	7	i

Limitations in Hops-HDFS Namespace Concurrency Control (PCC)

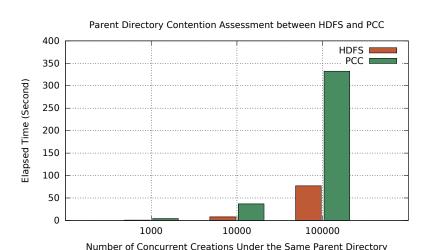
- Duplicated Round Trips
- Implicit Parent Locks:

id	parent_id	name	Locks by Tx1	Locks by Tx2
1	0	/	R	R
2	1	a	R	R
3	1	b		
4	1	С		
5	2	d	R	R
6	3	е		
7	5	f	W	W (Block)
8	6	g		
9	7	h (Tx1)	W (Implicit)	W (Implicit) (Block)
10	7	i (Tx2)	W (Implicit)	W (Implicit) (Block)

NameNode Throughput Benchmark - HDFS v.s. PCC



Parent Directory Contention Assessment - HDFS v.s. PCC





Resolving the Semantic Related Group

Path: /a/d/f/h

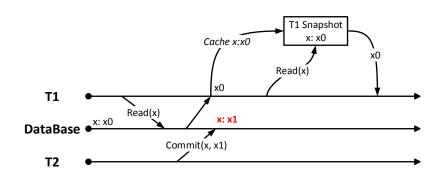
h:
$$\{/->a->d->f\}$$

	id	parent_id	name	other parameters
Related *	1	0	/	
Related *	2	1	а	
	3	1	b	
	4	1	С	
Related *	5	2	d	
	6	3	е	
Related *	7	5	f	
	8	6	g	
Selected ✓	9	7	h	
	10	7	i	

Per-Transaction Snapshot Isolation

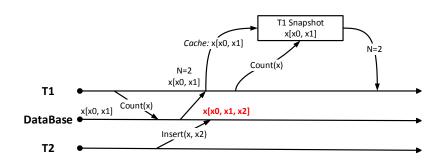
- Snapshot the whole Semantic Related Group
- Transaction performs on its own snapshot
- Preclude: Fuzzy Read & Phantom Read

Snapshot Isolation Precludes Fuzzy Read ²



 $^{^2\}text{Fuzzy}$ Read: A transaction rereads data it has previously read and finds that another committed transaction has modified or deleted the data.

Snapshot Isolation with Semantic Related Group Precludes Phantom Read ³



³Phantom Read: A transaction re-executes a query returning a set of rows that satisfies a search condition and finds that another committed transaction has inserted additional rows that satisfy the condition.

Lock Mode in MySQL Cluster

Read_Committed ⁴ Lock Mode: Consistent nonblocking reads (based on MVCC)

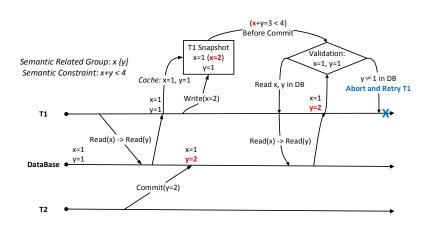
Lock Mode	Shared	Exclusive	Read_Committed
Shared	✓	Block	✓
Exclusive	Block	Block	✓
Read_Committed	✓	✓	✓

⁴Read_Committed here is the name of *lock mode* used in MySQL Cluster, not referring to *Isolation Level*

Optimistic Concurrency Control

- Read Phase: Read_Committed lock on snapshot
- Validation Phase: Shared lock on related Rows, Exclusive lock on modified rows -> Compare versions with snapshot -> Abort & Retry or Update
- Preclude: Write Skew

OCC with Snapshot Isolation on Semantic Related Group Precludes Write Skew ⁵



⁵Write Skew: Two concurrent transactions read the same data, but update different data that are related and the combination of updates leads to an inconsistency.

Total Order Update, Abort & Retry, and Version Increase

- Total order update by ids ->preclude lock cycles
- Abort and retry transactions if "new" rows already exist
- Increase versions for successful update phase

Four Phases in Algorithm

- Read Phase: resolve semantic related group & cache it as transactions snapshot copy
- Execution Phase: transactions operate on its own snapshot
- Validation Phase: validate snapshot versions with values in database ->abort & retry or go to update
- Update Phase: total order update, abort & retry and version increase

Experimental Testbed

MySQL Cluster

6 data nodes, 1 Gbps LAN, Intel Xeon X5660 CPU @ 2.80GHz, 6*6=36 GB RAM, 2 data replicas

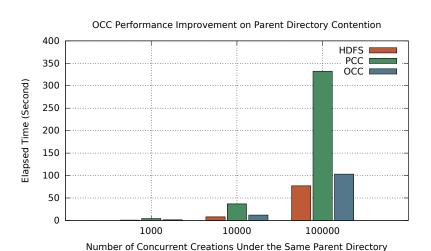
NameNode and Clients

Intel i7-4770T CPU @ 2.50GHz and 16 GB RAM

MySQL Cluster and NameNode

100 Mbps LAN

Parent Directory Contention Assessment (1/2)

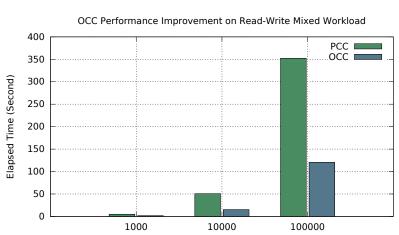




Parent Directory Contention Assessment (2/2)

Num. of Concurrent Creation	1000	10000	100000
HDFS	0.82s	7.83s	77.13s
PCC	4.35s	36.74s	332.36s
OCC	1.36s	12.01s	103.23s
PCC / HDFS	530.5%	469.2%	430.9%
OCC / HDFS	165.9%	153.4%	133.8%
OCC Improvement: (PCC-OCC) / PCC	68.7%	67.3%	68.9%

Read-Write Mixed Workload (1/2)



Total Number of Concurrent Operations Under the Same Parent Directory

Read-Write Mixed Workload (2/2)

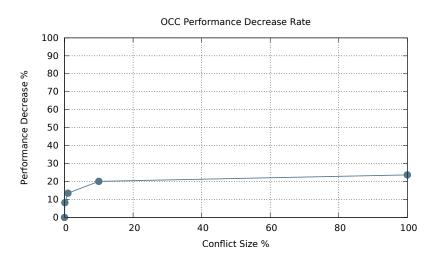
Concurrent Read+Creation	1000	10000	100000
PCC	4.92s	50.69s	352.25s
OCC	1.78s	15.31s	120.64s
OCC Improvement: (PCC-OCC) / PCC	63.8%	69.8%	65.8%

OCC Performance with Different Size of Conflicts (1/2)

Performance Decrease compares to 0% conflict size

Creations for	Conflict	Elapsed Time	Performance
10000 Operations	Size	(Second)	Decrease
1	100%	14.53	23.7%
10	10%	14.11	20.1%
100	1%	13.51	15.0%
1000	0.1%	12.72	8.23%
10000	0%	11.75	0%

OCC Performance Decrease Rate (2/2)



Implementation Correctness Assessment

Ensured by passing 300+ Apache HDFS Unit Tests

Conclusion & Future Work

Conclusion

- Increase Performance up to 70 %
- Bounded Performance Degradation for OCC conflict
- Maintain HDFS Strong Consistency Semantics

Future Work

- OCC implementation on other operations
- OCC evaluation on Hops-HDFS with multiple NameNodes: prove that it outperforms HDFS with single NameNode

Thank you!

Isolation Level

Berenson, Hal, et al. "A Critique of ANSI SQL Isolation Levels." ACM SIGMOD Record 24.2 (1995): 1-10.

Isolation Level	Lost Up- date	Fuzzy Read	Phantom	Read Skew	Write Skew
Read Uncommitted	\checkmark	✓	✓	\checkmark	√
Read Committed	✓	✓	✓	✓	√
Cursor Stability	some-	some-	√	√	some-
	times	times			times
Repeatable Read	Χ	Χ	√	Χ	X
Snapshot	Χ	Χ	sometimes	Χ	√
Serializable	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Х

GFS Namespace Concurrency Control (1/3)

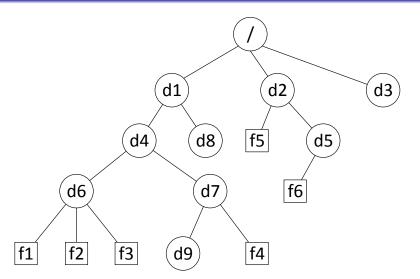


Figure: A Graphical Tree Representation for the Namespace in GFS



GFS Namespace Concurrency Control (2/3)

Total Order Locks	Op1	Op2	Op3	Op4	Op5
/	Read1	Read2	Read3	Read4	Read5
/d1	Read1	Read2	Read3	Read4	Read5
/d1/ d4	Read1	Read2	Read3	Read4	Read5
/d1/d4/ d6	Read1	Read2	Read3		
/d1/d4/ d7				Read4	Read5
/d1/d4/d6/ f1	Write1				
/d1/d4/d6/ f2		Write2			
/d1/d4/d6/ f3			Write3		
/d1/d4/d7/ d9				Write4	
/d1/d4/d7/ f4					Write5

Table : Concurrent Mutations for different files/directories and Related Read-Write Lock Sets



GFS Namespace Concurrency Control (3/3)

Total Order Locks	Operation1	Operation2
/	Read1	Read2
/d1	Read1	Read2
/d3	Read1	
/d1/ <mark>d8</mark>	Write1	Read2 (Conflicts: Write1)
/d3/ <mark>d8</mark>	Write1	
/d1/d8/Qi.txt		Write2

Table: Serialized Concurrent Mutations and Conflict Locks

The Size of Semantic Related Group

- 1. HDFS limits number of levels and length of full path name
- 2. 100 concurrent operations running under same parent directory:

