Python Streaming API

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What Will Be Covered

- ParallelM
- Python in Machines Learning
- Python Batch API
- Python Streaming API
- Live Demo



ParallelM

ParallelM accelerates time to value of Al initiatives by helping ML Ops and Data Science teams deploy and manage Machine Learning (ML) in Production

We have put much effort in Flink, because of its exceptional design and ability to handle high speed real time and true stream processing

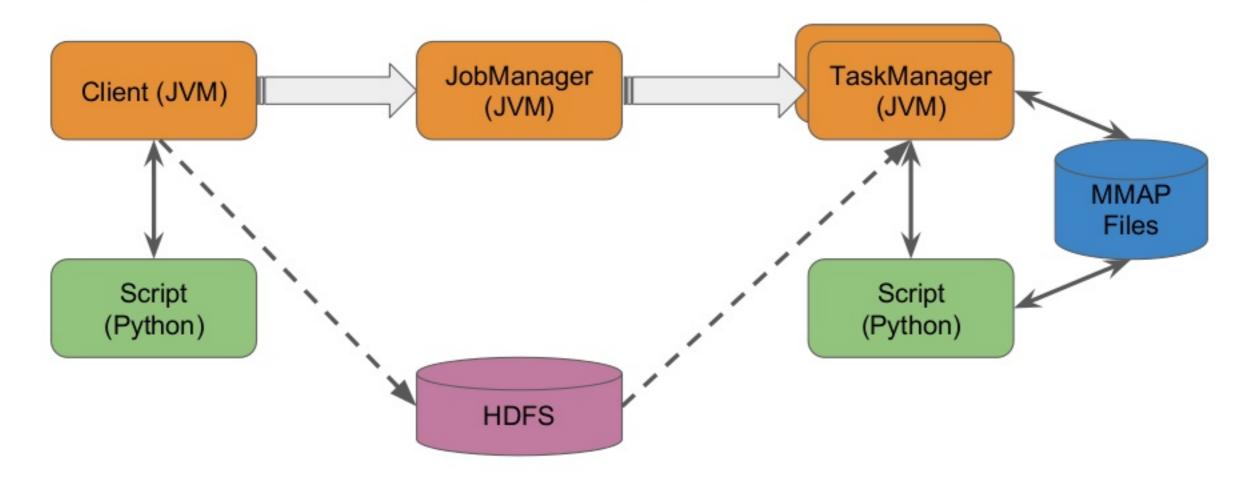


Python In Machine Learning

- Popular in data analysis (NumPy, SciPy, Matplotlib, Panda, etc.)
- Very easy to learn
- Very easy to read
- Does not require compilation
- Awesome online community



Python Batch Processing Overview



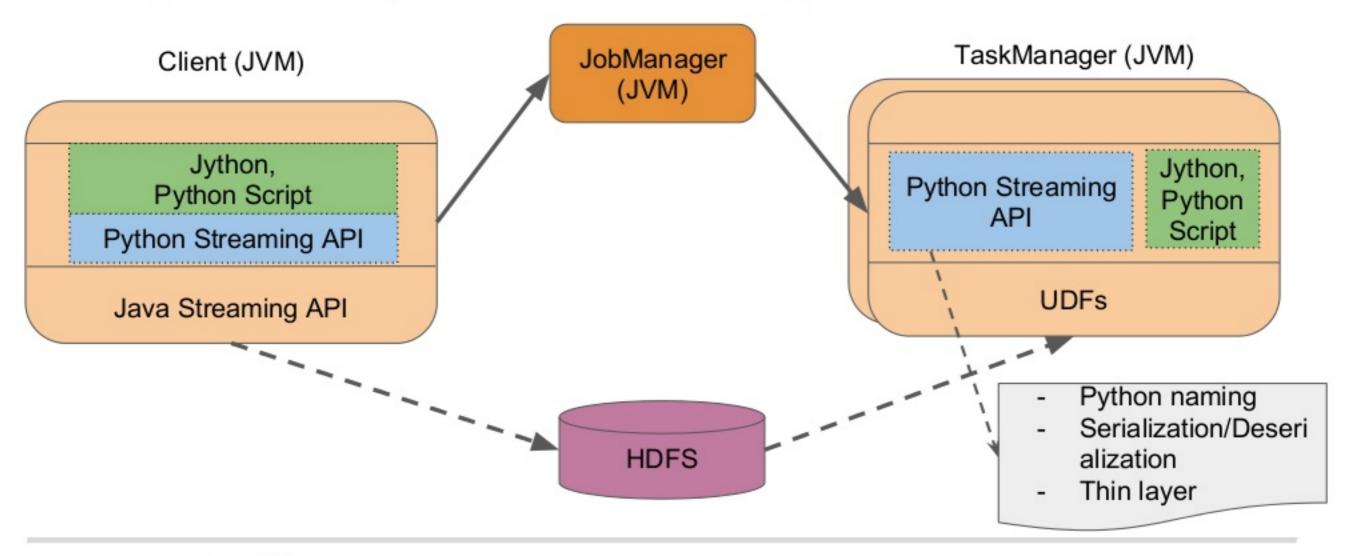


... but Flink is a Stream Processing framework ...

What about **Python** for Streaming Data?



Proposed Python Streaming API Architecture





Jython

- Python engine in java (http://www.jython.org/)
- Possible to use CPython extensions like NumPy or SciPy with JyNI (http://jyni.org/)
- Glitches
 - The latest supported Python version is 2.7
 - No official statement for coming support in Python 3.x



What Jython Challenges I had to solve?

- Java class serial ID mismatch
 - Execution of the same script multiple times
- Different namespaces for python classes with same name but different code
 - Execution of different scripts having the same class name
- Python paths and imports issues
 - A python script may import additional files and folder.



Performance Considerations

- Initialisation of the **Jython** framework impose a fixed overhead of 2 ~ 5 seconds:
 - Client whenever submitted
 - TaskManager only once, on the first submitted job
- Java/Scala vs. Python
 - No high-scale tests were conducted yet
 - There's a room for optimizations



Python Script - main

```
def main():
  env = PythonStreamExecutionEnvironment.get execution environment()
  env.read text file("/tmp/book.txt") \
     .flat map(Tokenizer()) \
     .key by(Selector()) \
     .time_window(milliseconds(50)) \
     .reduce(Sum()) \
     .print()
  env.execute(True)
```



Python Script - UDF

```
class Tokenizer(FlatMapFunction):
  def flatMap(self, value, collector):
     for word in value.lower().split():
       collector.collect((1, word))
class Selector(KeySelector):
  def getKey(self, input):
     return input[1]
class Sum(ReduceFunction):
  def reduce(self, input1, input2):
     count1, word1 = input1
     count2, word2 = input2
     return (count1 + count2, word1)
```



Status / API Coverage

- Pending pull request (#3838)
- New project under:

```
flink-libraries/flink-streaming-python
```

Partial coverage of the whole streaming API (Beta)



Tests / Examples

Internal tests are under:

flink-libraries/flink-streaming-python/src/test/python/org/a
pache/flink/streaming/python/api

One complete example:

flink-examples/flink-examples-streaming/src/main/python/fibo
nacci.py



How to execute

> ./bin/pyflink-stream.sh /tmp/fibonacci.py - --local

Notes:

- New command line tool: pyflink-stream.sh
- Command line arguments: after the dash(`-`)
- For local execution: env.execute (True)
- Cluster mode requires HDFS



Demo Time

- Fibonacci python example
- Functionality
 - Calculates fibonacci series up to an upper bound
- Input
 - "<x>, <y>" stream of pairs of numbers
- Output
 - ((<x>, <y>), <#iters>) the original pair along with the iterations number

