MapReduce Emulator

CS2431 Lab3

MapReduce overview

 MapReduce: Simplified Data Processing on Large Clusters. Jeffrey Dean and Sanjay Ghemawat. OSDI 2004



- SIGOPS Hall of Fame Award 2015
- 15209 citations so far.
- Both authors won ACM SIGOPS Mark Weiser Award in 2012.



Lab3 overview

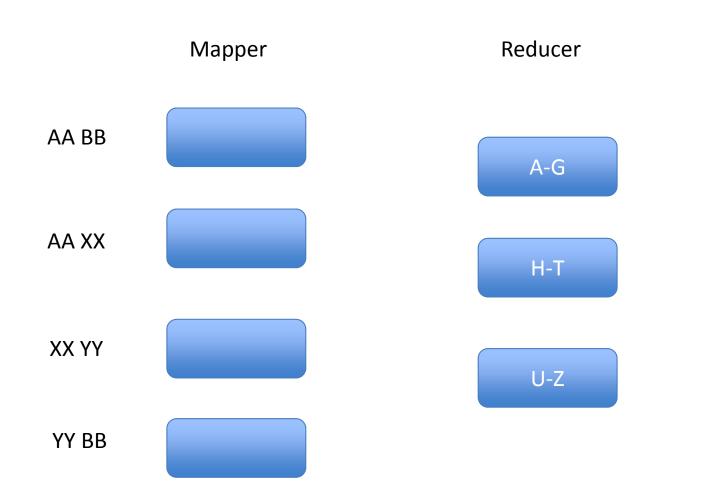
 Emulate the execution of "wordcount", a typical MapReduce application

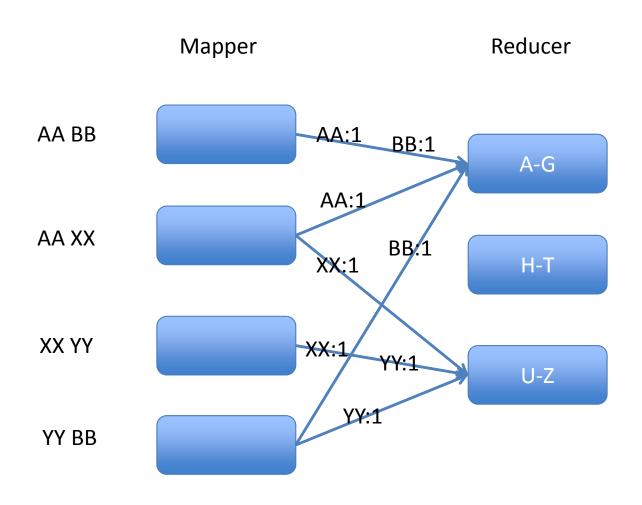
Use the buffered_queue built in Lab 2

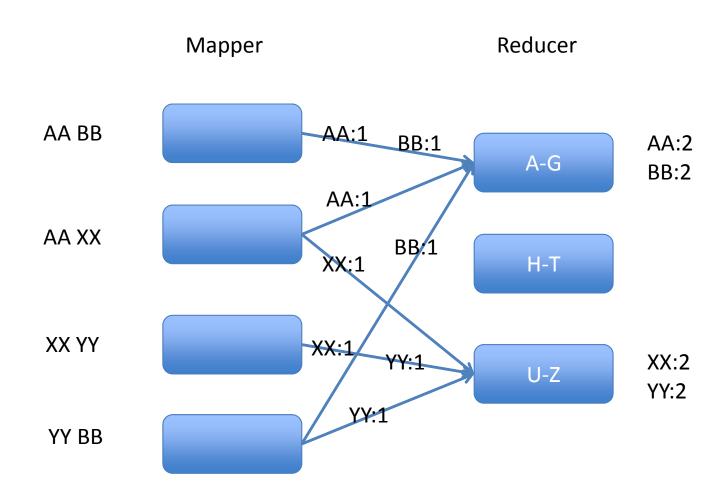
Create producer and consumer threads

Wordcount

- Problem: give a certain document, count the number of occurrence of each word
- Example: For "AA BBB AAA AA BB BBB", output "AA:2, BBB:2, AAA:1, BB:1"
- Simple?
- Not if you need to handle a big document
 - Google needs to do this for all webpages.
 - It cannot be handled by a single machine.







Each mapper and reducer is a single process.
They run on different machines.

- They communicate by using TCP/IP.
- Additional problems:
 - What to do if a machine crashes or becomes slow.
 - What to do if multiple users submit jobs.

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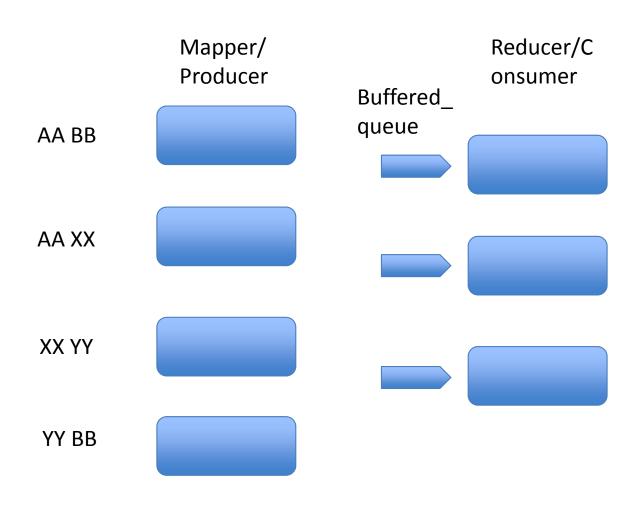
Lab3: A simplified MapReduce

 Each mapper and reducer is a thread. They run in the same process.

- They communicate by using buffered_queue.
 - Mapper is a producer; Reducer is a consumer.

Ignore additional problems

Lab3: A simplified MapReduce



Lab3: Your job

- Create mapper threads.
 - Each mapper thread will need to process a string.
- Create reducer threads.
 - Each reducer threads is responsible for a buffered_queue.
- When a mapper thread parses a word, put it in the corresponding queue
- When a reducer thread gets a word from its queue, update its count.

Lab3: Additional questions

- How to distributed work around reducers:
 - One approach: reducer1 responsible for words starting with "A", reducer2 for "B", ...
 - Not good for load balancing. Why?
 - Can you design a better solution?
- How can a reducer know the work is done?

Lab3: Your job

void wordcount(int m, int r, char** docs)

- m: number of mapper threads
- n: number of reducer threads
- docs: m strings, one for each mapper
- A string is composed of only "a"-"z" and space.
- Finally you should print the count for each word.

Questions?