In-situ MapReduce for Log Processing

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Log analytics

- Data centers with 1000s of servers
- Generating logs with valuable information
- Data-intensive computing: Store and analyze TBs of logs

Examples:

- Click logs: ad-targeting, personalization
- Social media feeds: brand monitoring
- Purchase logs: fraud detection
- System logs: anomaly detection, debugging





Log analytics today

- "Store-first-query-later"
 - Migrate logs to dedicated clusters

Problems:

- Scale
 - e.g. Facebook collects 100TB a day!
 - Data migration stresses network and disks

• Failures

- e.g. server is unreachable
- Delay analysis or process incomplete data

• Timeliness

- e.g. long data migration times
- Hinders real-time apps: ad-targeting, fraud detection



In-situ MapReduce (iMR)

Idea:

- Move analysis to the servers
- MapReduce for continuous data
- Ability to trade fidelity for latency

Optimized for:

- Highly selective workloads
 - e.g. up to 80% data filtered or summarized!
- Online analytics
 - e.g. Ad re-targeting based on most recent clicks



An iMR query

The same:

- MapReduce API
 - $map(r) \rightarrow \{k,v\}$: extract/filter data
 - reduce({k, v[]}) \rightarrow v' : data aggregation
 - combine({k, v[]}) \rightarrow v' : early, partial aggregation

The new:

- Provides continuous results
- Because logs are continuous

Continuous MapReduce

- iMR input is an infinite stream of logs
- Bound input with *sliding windows*:
 - Range of data
 - Update frequency
 - e.g. Process user clicks over the last 60"...
 - ... and update analysis every 15"
- Nodes output stream of results, one for each window
- Analysis continuously updated with new data



Processing windows in-network

- Aggregation trees for efficiency
 - Distribute processing load
 - Reduce network traffic



- Overlapping data
 - Processed multiple times: wastes CPU
 - Sent to the root multiple times: wastes network



Efficient processing with *panes*

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- Eliminate redundant work
- Divide window into *panes* (sub-windows) •
- Each pane is processed and sent only once
- Root combines panes to produce window ۲
- Saves CPU & network resources, faster • analysis



Impact of data loss on analysis

- Servers may get overloaded or fail
- Apps may have latency requirements
- Data loss is unavoidable to ensure timeliness

Challenges:

- Characterize incomplete results
- Allow users to trade fidelity for latency



Quantifying data fidelity

- Data are naturally distributed across:
 - Space (server nodes)
 - Time (processing window)



- Panes describe temporal and spatial nature of data
- **C**² metric: annotates result windows with a "scoreboard"
 - Marks successfully received panes

Trading fidelity for latency

• Use C² spec to trade fidelity for latency

Users may specify:

- Maximum latency requirement
 - e.g. process window within 60sec
- Minimum fidelity
 - e.g. at least 50% of the total data
- Different ways to meet minimum fidelity
 - Impact latency and accuracy of analysis
- We identified 4 useful classes of C² specifications





Minimizing result latency



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- Minimum fidelity with earlier results
 - e.g. 50% of the data
- Gives freedom to decrease latency
 - Returns the earliest data available
 - e.g. data from the fastest servers
- Appropriate for uniformly distributed events
 - Accurately summarizes relative event frequencies

Sampling non-uniform events



- Minimum fidelity with random sampling
 - e.g. random 50% of the data
- Less freedom to decrease latency
 - Included data may not be the first available
- Appropriate even for non-uniform data
 - Reproduces relative occurrence of events

Correlating events across time and space

• Leverage knowledge about data distribution

Temporal completeness:

- Include all data from a node or no data at all
 - e.g. all data from 50% of the nodes
- Useful when events are local to a node
 - e.g. counting events on a per node basis

Spatial completeness:

- Each pane contains data from all nodes
- Useful for correlating events across servers
 - e.g click sessionization





Prototype

- Builds upon Mortar distributed stream processor [Logothetis et al., USENIX'08]
 - Sliding windows
 - In-network aggregation trees
- Extended to support:
 - MapReduce API
 - Paned-based processing
 - Fault tolerance mechanisms: operator restart, adaptive data routing

Processing data in-situ

- Analysis co-located with client-facing services
- Limited CPU resources for log analysis
- Goal: use available resources intelligently
- Load shedding mechanism
 - Nodes monitor local processing rate
 - Shed panes that cannot be processed on time
- Increases result fidelity under time and resource constraints

Evaluation

- System scalability
- Usefulness of C² metric
 - Understanding incomplete results
 - Trading fidelity for latency
 - Applications:
 - Click-stream sessionization
 - HDFS failure detection
- Processing data in-situ
 - Improving fidelity under load with load shedding
 - Minimize impact on services

Exploring fidelity-latency tradeoffs

- Hadoop DFS anomaly detection algorithm [Tan et al. WASL'08]
- Query: compute distribution of service times for every HDFS server, to detect outliers
- Data: HDFS log trace from 30-node cluster

Exploring fidelity-latency tradeoffs

- Data loss affects accuracy of distribution
- Report: probability observed distribution is incorrect
- Temporal completeness
 - Distributions are 100% accurate
 - Computed on per server basis
- Spatial completeness & random sampling
 - Poor results if more than 20% data lost
 - Reduce latency by >25%
- C² allows to trade fidelity for lower latency



In-situ performance

- iMR side-by-side with a real service (Hadoop) on a 10-node cluster
- iMR executes a word count query
- Latency requirement set to 60sec.
- Vary CPU allocated to iMR (*niceness*)
- Report:
 - Result fidelity
 - Hadoop performance (job throughput)
- Shedding improves fidelity by 560% !
- Hadoop performance drops by <11%
- Little impact on Hadoop, while still delivering useful results



Conclusion

- In-situ architecture processes logs at the sources, avoids bulk data transfers, reduces analysis time
- Model allows incomplete data under failures or server load, provides timely analysis
- C² metric helps understand incomplete data and trade fidelity for latency
- Pro-actively sheds load, improves data fidelity under resource and time constraints