

MapReduce & HyperDex

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Distributing Processing Mantra

- Scale “out,” not “up.”
- Assume failures are common.
- Move processing to the data.
- Process data sequentially and avoid random access.
- Hide system-level details from the application developer.
- Incorporate seamless scalability.

Drivers to MapReduce

- Our ability to store data is fast overwhelming our ability to process what we store
 - So you can write it you just can't use it for any calculations
- Increases in capacity are outpacing improvements in bandwidth
 - So you can write it you just can't read it back in a reasonable time

Introduction to Parallelization

- Writing algorithms for a cluster
 - On the order of 10,000 or more machines
 - Failure or crash is not an exception, but common phenomenon
 - Parallelize computation
 - Distribute data
 - Balance load
- Makes implementation of conceptually straightforward computations challenging

MapReduce

- Wanted: A model to express computation while hiding the messy details of the execution
- Inspired by map and reduce primitives in functional programming
 - Apply map to each input record to create a set of intermediate key-value pairs
 - Apply reduce to all values that share the same key (like GROUP BY)
- Automatically parallelized
- Re-execution as primary mechanism for fault tolerance

What is MapReduce?

- Programming model for expressing distributed computations on massive amounts of data

AND

- An execution framework for large-scale data processing on clusters of commodity servers

Typical MapReduce Application

MAP

- Iterate over a large number of records
- Extract something of interest from each
- Shuffle and sort intermediate results

REDUCE

- Aggregate intermediate results
- Generate final outcome

Programming Model

- Transforms set of input key-value pairs to set of output key-value pairs
 - Map function written by user
 - Map: $(k1, v1) \rightarrow \text{list}(k2, v2)$
 - MapReduce library groups all intermediate pairs with same key together
- Reduce written by user
 - Reduce: $(k2, \text{list}(v2)) \rightarrow \text{list}(v2)$
 - Usually zero or one output value per group
 - Intermediate values supplied via iterator (to handle lists that do not fit in memory)

Execution Framework

- Handles scheduling of the tasks
 - Assigns workers to maps and reduce tasks
 - Handles data distribution
 - Moves the process to the data
 - Handles synchronization
 - Gathers, sorts and shuffles intermediate data
 - Handles faults
 - Detects worker failures and restarts
- Understands the distributed file system

EXAMPLE: Count occurrences of each word in a document collection

```
Map( String key,  
      String value ):  
  // key: document name  
  // value: document  
  contents  
  for each word w in value:  
    EmitIntermediate( w, "1" );  
Reduce( String key,  
        Iterator values ):  
  // key: a word  
  // values: a list of counts  
  int result = 0;  
  for each v in values:  
    result += ParseInt( v );  
    Emit( AsString(result) );
```

Distributing work to nodes

- Focuses on large clusters
 - Relies on existence of reliable and highly available distributed file system
- Map invocations
 - Automatically partition input data into M chunks (16-64 MB typically)
 - Chunks processed in parallel
- Reduce invocations
 - Partition intermediate key space into R pieces, e.g., using $\text{hash}(\text{key}) \bmod R$
- Master node controls program execution

Dealing with failing nodes

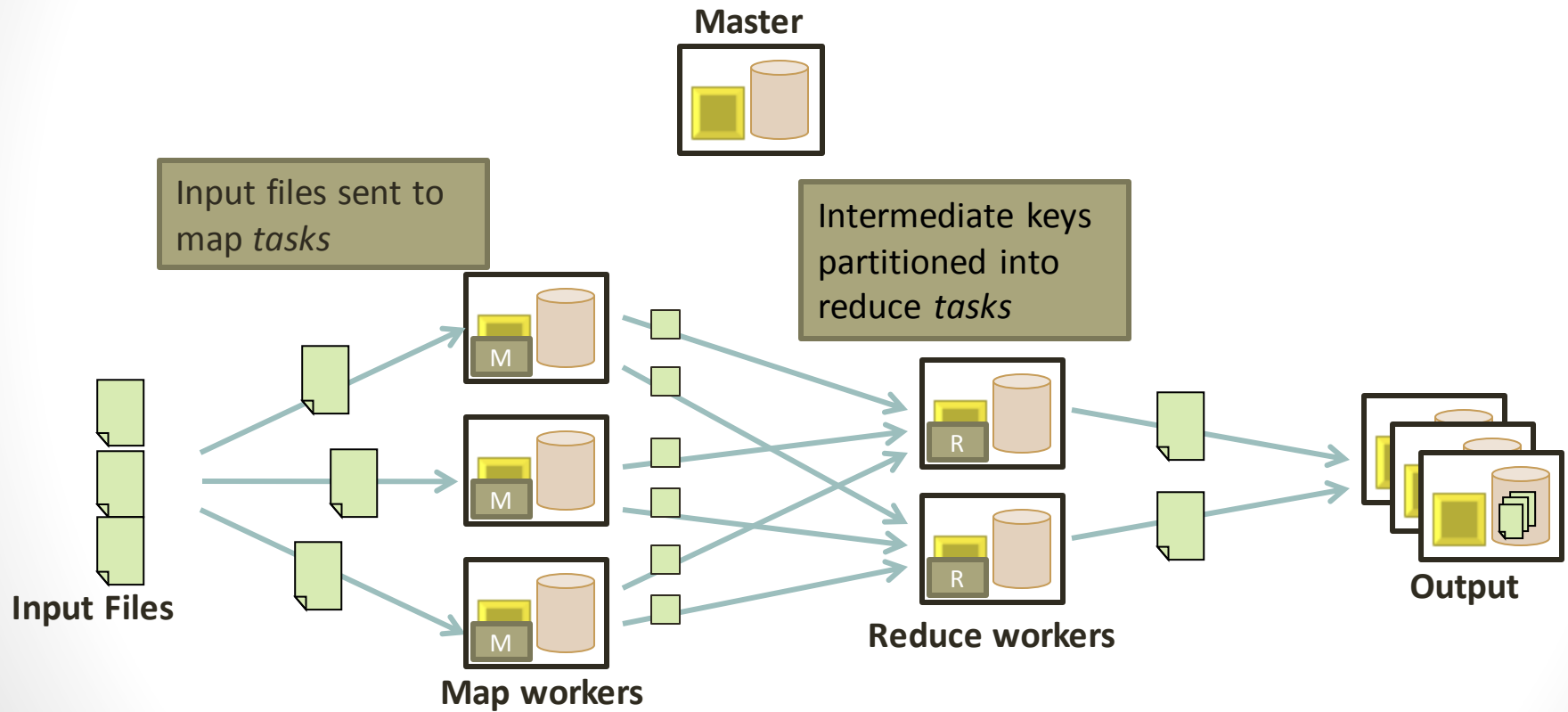
- Master monitors tasks on mappers and reducers: idle, in progress, completed
- Worker failure (common)
 - Master pings workers periodically
 - No response => assumes worker failed
 - Resets worker's map tasks, completed or in progress, to idle state (tasks now available for scheduling on other workers)
 - Completed tasks only on local disk, hence inaccessible
 - Same for reducer's in-progress tasks
 - Completed tasks stored in global file system, hence accessible
 - Reducers notified about change of mapper assignment
- Master failure (unlikely)
 - Checkpointing or simply abort computation

Other considerations

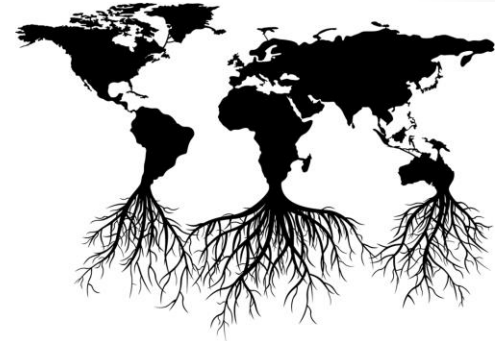
- Conserve network bandwidth (“Locality optimization”)
 - Distributed file system assigns data chunks to local disks
 - Schedule map task on machine that already has a copy of the chunk, or one “nearby”
- Choose M and R much larger than number of worker machines
 - Load balancing and faster recovery (many small tasks from failed machine)
 - Limitation: $O(M+R)$ scheduling decisions and $O(M*R)$ in-memory state at master
 - Common choice: M so that chunk size is 16-64 MB, R a small multiple of number of workers
- Backup tasks to deal with machines that take unusually long for last few tasks
 - For in-progress tasks when MapReduce near completion

MapReduce

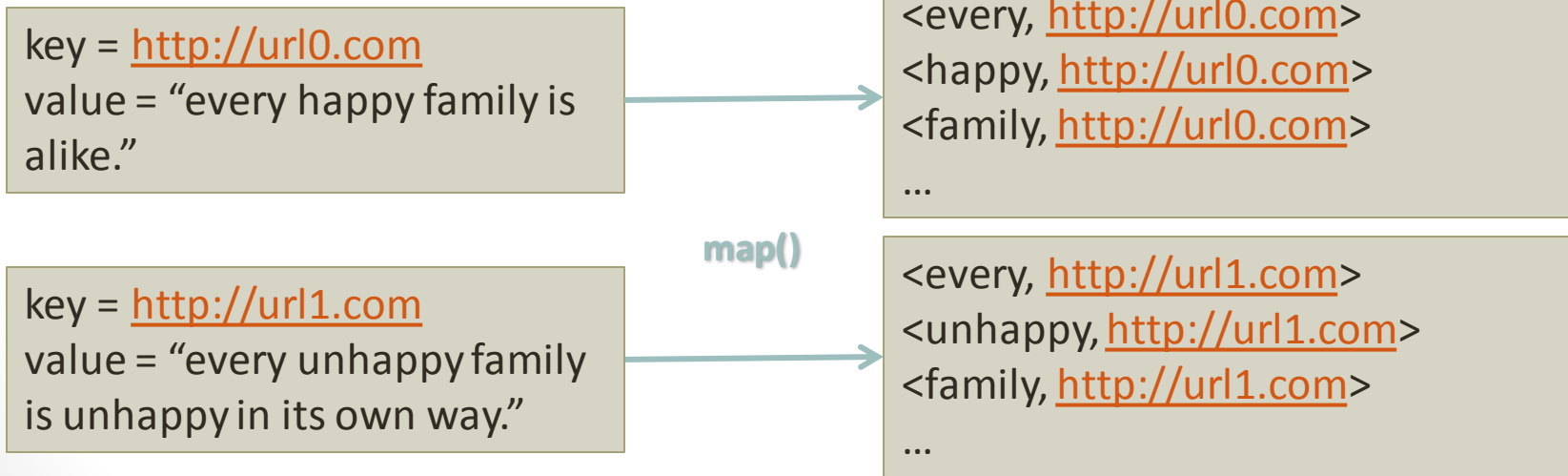
- Execution flow



Map



- Interface
 - Input: `<in_key, in_value>` pair => `<url, content>`
 - Output: list of intermediate `<key, value>` pairs
=> `list of <word, url>`



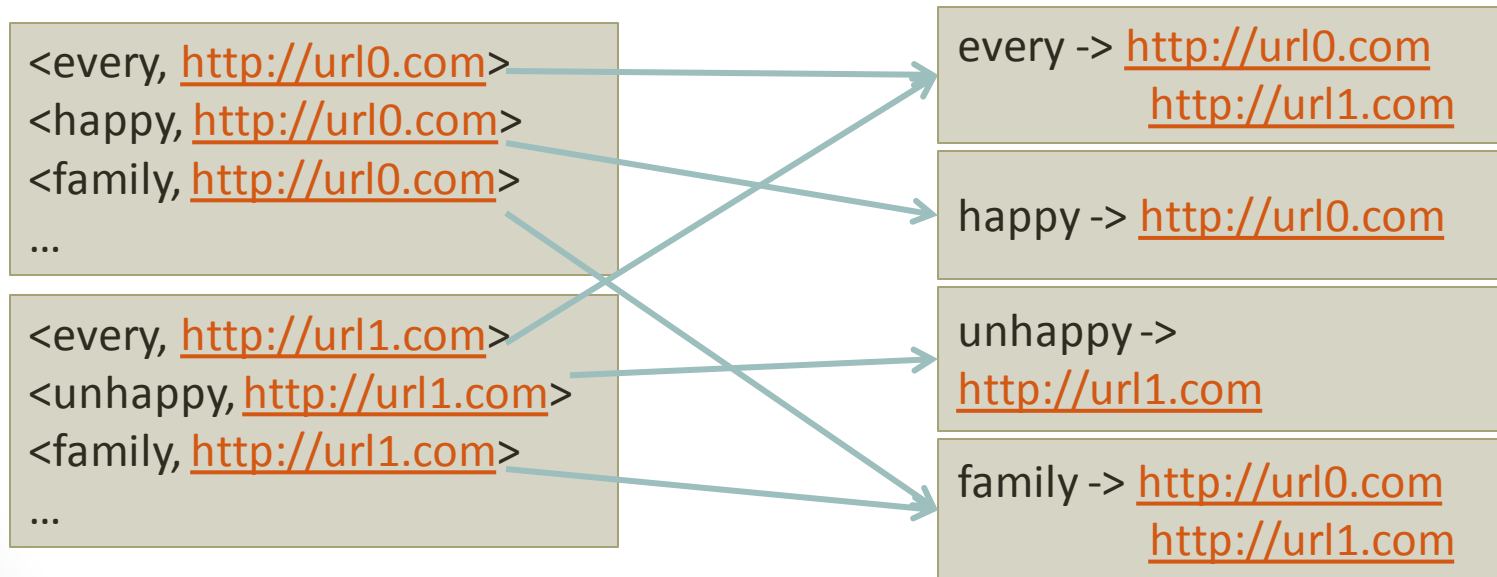
Map Input: `<url, content>`

Map Output: list of `<word, url>`

Shuffle



- MapReduce system
 - Collects outputs from all *map* executions
 - Groups all intermediate values by the same key



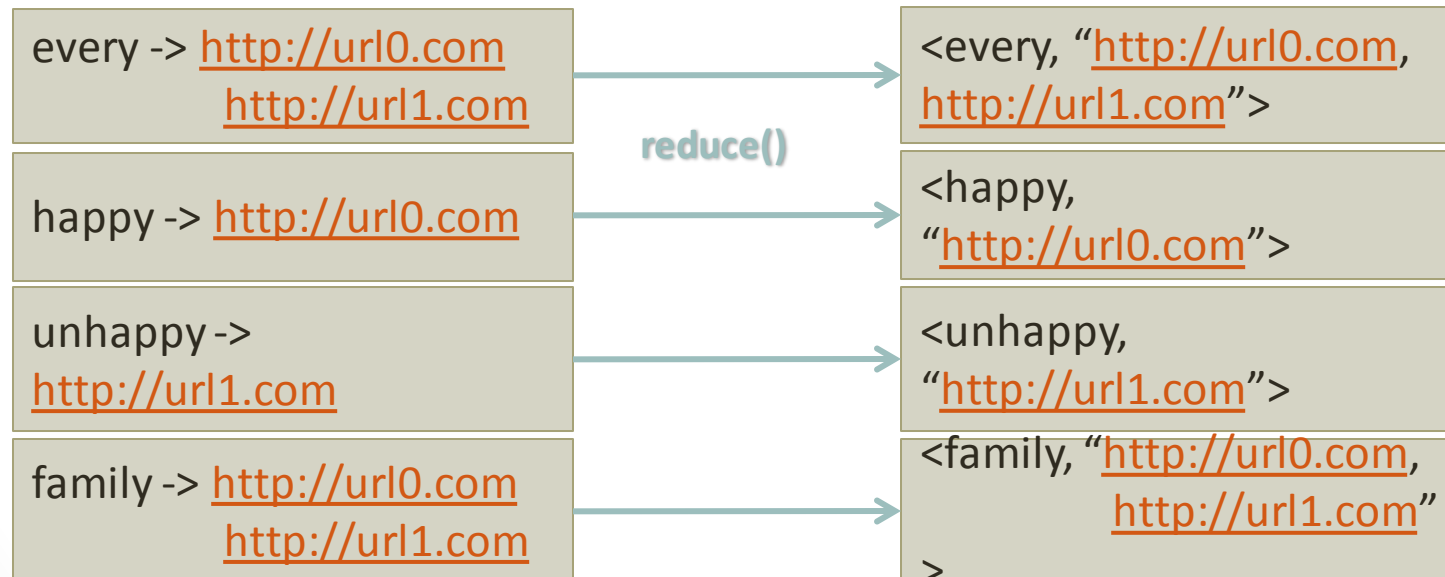
Map Output: list of <word, url>

Reduce Input: <word, list of urls>

Reduce



- Interface
 - Input: `<out_key, list of intermediate_value>`
 - Output: `<out_key, out_value>`



Reduce Input: `<word, list of urls>`

Reduce Output: `<word, string of urls>`

Parallel Database

- SQL specifies what to compute, not how to do it
 - Perfect for parallel and distributed implementation
 - “Just” need an optimizer that can choose best plan in given parallel/distributed system
 - Cost estimate includes disk, CPU, and network cost
- Recent benchmarks show parallel DBMS can significantly outperform MapReduce
 - But many programmers prefer writing Map and Reduce in familiar PL (C++, Java)
- Recent trend: High-level PL for writing MapReduce programs with DBMS-inspired operators

SELECT

```
Dim1, Dim2,
SUM(Measure1) AS MSum,
COUNT(*) AS RecordCount,
AVG(Measure2) AS MAvg,
MIN(Measure1) AS MMin
MAX(CASE
  WHEN Measure2 < 100
  THEN Measure2
END) AS MMax
FROM DenormAggTable
WHERE (Filter1 IN ('A','B'))
  AND (Filter2 = 'C')
  AND (Filter3 > 123)
GROUP BY Dim1, Dim2
HAVING (MMin > 0)
ORDER BY RecordCount DESC
LIMIT 4, 8
```

- ① Grouped dimension columns are pulled out as keys in the map function, reducing the size of the working set.
- ② Measures must be manually aggregated.
- ③ Aggregates depending on record counts must wait until finalization.
- ④ Measures can use procedural logic.
- ⑤ Filters have an ORM/ActiveRecord-looking style.
- ⑥ Aggregate filtering must be applied to the result set, not in the map/reduce.
- ⑦ Ascending: 1; Descending: -1

```
db.runCommand({
  mapreduce: "DenormAggCollection",
  query: {
    filter1: { '$in': [ 'A', 'B' ] },
    filter2: 'C',
    filter3: { '$gt': 123 }
  },
  map: function() { emit(
    { d1: this.Dim1, d2: this.Dim2 },
    { msum: this.measure1, recs: 1, mmin: this.measure1,
      mmax: this.measure2 < 100 ? this.measure2 : 0 }
  );},
  reduce: function(key, vals) {
    var ret = { msum: 0, recs: 0, mmin: 0, mmax: 0 };
    for(var i = 0; i < vals.length; i++) {
      ret.msum += vals[i].msum;
      ret.recs += vals[i].recs;
      if(vals[i].mmin < ret.mmin) ret.mmin = vals[i].mmin;
      if((vals[i].mmax < 100) && (vals[i].mmax > ret.mmax))
        ret.mmax = vals[i].mmax;
    }
    return ret;
  },
  finalize: function(key, val) {
    val.mavg = val.msum / val.recs;
    return val;
  },
  out: 'result1',
  verbose: true
});
db.result1.
find({ mmin: { '$gt': 0 } }).
sort({ recs: -1 }).
skip(4).
limit(8);
```

My SQL vs. MongoDB

```
SELECT 'goalType',  
SUM(distancekm) as 'totalkm',  
COUNT(*) AS 'workouts',  
count(powerSONgAlbum) as "songcount",  
avg(distancekm) as 'avgkm', max(distancekm) as  
maxkm,  
Min(distancekm) as minkm from workouts group  
by goaltype;
```

Database gurus have spoken out against
MapReduce

Dave DeWitt, Michael Stonebraker

```
db.runCommand({ mapreduce: "workouts", map:  
function () { emit( this.goalType, {'_cfcount': 1,  
'distancekm_cfsum': isNaN(this.distancekm) ? null :  
this.distancekm, 'distancekm_cfnum':  
isNaN(this.distancekm) ? 0 : 1,  
'powerSongAlbum_cfcount': (this.powerSongAlbum ==  
null) ? 0 : 1, 'distancekm_cfmax': isNaN(this.distancekm)  
? null : this.distancekm, 'distancekm_cfmin':  
isNaN(this.distancekm) ? null : this.distancekm }); },  
reduce: function (key,vals) { var ret = {  
'distancekm_cfmax': null, 'distancekm_cfsum': null,  
'distancekm_cfmin': null, 'distancekm_cfnum': 0,  
'powerSongAlbum_cfcount': 0, '_cfcount': 0 }; for(var i =  
0; i < vals.length; i++) { var v = vals[i];  
ret['distancekm_cfnum'] += v['distancekm_cfnum'];  
if(!isNaN(v['distancekm_cfmax']))  
ret['distancekm_cfmax'] = (ret['distancekm_cfmax'] ==  
null) ? v['distancekm_cfmax'] : (ret['distancekm_cfmax']  
> v['distancekm_cfmax']) ? ret['distancekm_cfmax'] :  
v['distancekm_cfmax']; ret['_cfcount'] += v['_cfcount'];  
if(!isNaN(v['distancekm_cfmin'])) ret['distancekm_cfmin']  
= (ret['distancekm_cfmin'] == null) ?  
v['distancekm_cfmin'] : (v['distancekm_cfmin'] >  
ret['distancekm_cfmin']) ? ret['distancekm_cfmin'] :  
v['distancekm_cfmin']; ret['powerSongAlbum_cfcount']  
+= v['powerSongAlbum_cfcount'];  
if(!isNaN(v['distancekm_cfsum']))  
ret['distancekm_cfsum'] = v['distancekm_cfsum'] +  
(ret['distancekm_cfsum'] == null ? 0 :  
ret['distancekm_cfsum']); } return ret; }, finalize: function  
(key,val) { return { 'totalkm' : val['distancekm_cfsum'],  
'workouts' : val['_cfcount'], 'songcount' :  
val['powerSongAlbum_cfcount'], 'avgkm' :  
(isNaN(val['distancekm_cfnum']) ||  
isNaN(val['distancekm_cfsum'])) ? null :  
val['distancekm_cfsum'] / val['distancekm_cfnum'],  
'maxkm' : val['distancekm_cfmax'], 'minkm' :  
val['distancekm_cfmin'] }; }, out: "s2mr", verbose: true });
```

MapReduce Summary

- MapReduce = programming model that hides details of parallelization, fault tolerance, locality optimization, and load balancing
- Simple model, but fits many common problems
- Implementation on cluster scales to 1000s of machines and more
 - Open source implementation, Hadoop, is available
- Parallel DBMS, SQL are more powerful than MapReduce and similarly allow automatic parallelization of “sequential code”
 - Never really achieved mainstream acceptance or broad open-source support like Hadoop
- Recent trend: simplify coding in MapReduce by using DBMS ideas
 - (Variants of) relational operators and BI being implemented on top of Hadoop