

In-Memory Computation with Spark

Lecture BigData Analytics

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Overview to Spark [10, 12]

- In-memory **processing** (and **storage**) engine
 - Load data from HDFS, Cassandra, HBase
 - Resource management via. YARN, Mesos, Spark, Amazon EC2
 - ⇒ It can use Hadoop, but also works standalone!
- Platform schedules tasks and monitors them
- Rich APIs
 - APIs for Java, Scala, Python, R
 - Thrift JDBC/ODBC server for SQL
 - High-level domain-specific tools/languages
 - Advanced APIs simplify typical computation tasks
- Interactive shells with tight integration
 - spark-shell: Scala (object-oriented functional language running on JVM)
 - pyspark: Python
- Execution in either local or cluster mode

Data Model [13]

- Distributed memory model: Resilient Distributed Datasets (RDDs)
 - Named collection of elements distributed in partitions



$X = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, \dots, 1000]$ distributed into 4 partitions

- Typically a list or a map (key-value) pairs
 - A RDD is immutable, e.g. cannot be changed
 - High-level APIs provide additional representations
 - e.g. SparkSQL uses DataFrame (aka tables)
 - Shared variables offer shared memory access
 - Durability of data
 - RDDs live until the SparkContext is terminated
 - To keep them, they need to be persisted (e.g. to HDFS)
 - Fault-tolerance is provided by **re-computing** data

Resilient Distributed Datasets (RDDs) [13]

- Creation of a RDD by either
 - Parallelizing an existing collection

```
1 data = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
2 rdd = sc.parallelize(data, 5) # create 5 partitions
```

- Referencing a dataset on distributed storage, HDFS, ...

```
1 | rdd = sc.textFile("data.txt")
```

- RDDs can be transformed into derived (newly named) RDDs
 - Computation runs in parallel on the partitions
 - Usually re-computed, but RDD can be kept in memory or stored if large
 - RDDs can be redistributed (called shuffle)
 - Knows its data lineage (how it was computed)
 - Fault-tolerant collection of elements (lists, dictionaries)
 - Split into choosable number of partitions and distributed
 - Derived RDDs can be re-computed by using the recorded lineage

Shared Variables [13]

■ Broadcast variables for read-only access

- For readability, do not modify the broadcast variable later

```
1 broadcastVar = sc.broadcast([1, 2, 3])
2 print (broadcastVar.value)
3 # [1, 2, 3]
```

■ Accumulators (reduce variables)

- Are counters that can be incremented
 - Other data types can be supported

```
1 accum = sc.accumulator(0) # Integer accumulator
2 accum.add(4)
3
4 # Accumulator for adding vectors
5 class VectorAccumulatorParam(AccumulatorParam):
6     def zero(self, initialValue):
7         return Vector.zeros(initialValue.size)
8
9     def addInPlace(self, v1, v2):
10        v1 += v2
11        return v1
12
13 # Create an accumulator
14 vecAccum = sc.accumulator(Vector(...), VectorAccumulatorParam())
```

Computation

- Lazy execution: apply operations when results are needed (by actions)
 - Intermediate RDDs can be re-computed multiple times
 - Users can persist RDDs (in-memory or disk) for later use
 - Many operations apply user-defined functions or lambda expressions
 - Code and **closure** are serialized on the driver and send to executors
 - Note: When using class instance functions, the object is serialized
 - RDD partitions are processed in parallel (data parallelism)
 - Use local data where possible

RDD Operations [13]

- Transformations: create a new RDD locally by applying operations
 - Actions: return values to the driver program
 - Shuffle operations: re-distribute data across executors

Simple Example

- Example session when using pyspark
 - To run with a specific Python version e.g. use

```
1 PYSPARK_PYTHON=python3 pyspark --master yarn-client
```

Example data-intensive python program

```
1 # Distribute the data: here we have a list of numbers from 1 to 10 million
2 # Store the data in an RDD called nums
3 nums = sc.parallelize( range(1,10000000) )
4
5 # Compute a derived RDD by filtering odd values
6 r1 = nums.filter( lambda x : (x % 2 == 1) )
7
8 # Now compute squares for all remaining values and store key/value tuples
9 result = r1.map( lambda x : (x, x*x*x) )
10
11 # Retrieve all distributed values into the driver and print them
12 # This will actually run the computation
13 print(result.collect())
14 # [(1, 1), (3, 27), (5, 125), (7, 343), (9, 729), (11, 1331), ... ]
15
16 # Store results in memory
17 resultCached = result.cache()
```

Compute PI [20]

- Randomly throw NUM_SAMPLES darts on a circle and count hits

Python

```
1 def sample(p):  
2     x, y = random(), random()  
3     return 1 if x*x + y*y < 1 else 0  
4  
5 count = sc.parallelize(xrange(0, NUM_SAMPLES)).map(sample).reduce(lambda a, b: a + b)  
6 print "Pi is roughly %f" % (4.0 * count / NUM_SAMPLES)
```

Java

```
1 int count = spark.parallelize(makeRange(1, NUM_SAMPLES)).filter(  
2     new Function<Integer, Boolean>() {  
3         public Boolean call(Integer i) {  
4             double x = Math.random();  
5             double y = Math.random();  
6             return x*x + y*y < 1;  
7         }  
8     }).count();  
9 System.out.println("Pi is roughly " + 4 * count / NUM_SAMPLES);
```

Execution of Applications [12, 21]

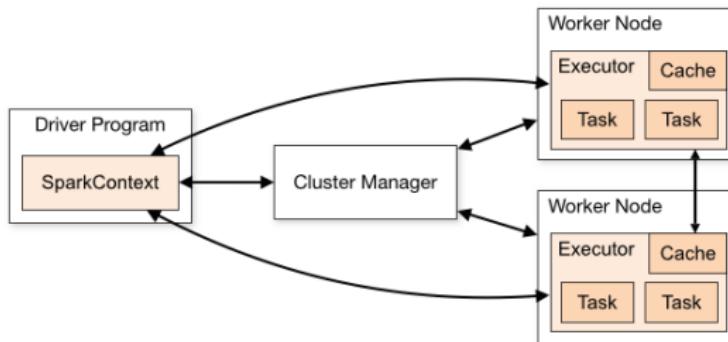


Figure: Source: [12]

- Driver program: process runs `main()`, creates/uses `SparkContext`
- Task: A unit of work processed by one executor
- Job: A spark action triggering computation starts a job
- Stage: collection of tasks executing the same code; run concurrently
 - Works independently on partitions without data shuffling
- Executor process: provides slots to runs tasks
 - Isolates apps, thus data cannot be shared between apps
- Cluster manager: allocates cluster resources and runs executor

Data Processing [13]

- Driver (main program) controls data flow/computation
- Executor processes are spawned on nodes
 - Store and manage RDDs
 - Perform computation (usually on local partition)
- In local only one executor is created

Execution of code

- 1 The closure is computed: variables/methods needed for execution
- 2 The driver serializes the closure together with the task (code)
 - Broadcast vars are useful as they do not require to be packed with the task
- 3 The driver sends the closure to the executors
- 4 Tasks on the executor run the closure which manipulates the local data

Transformations Create a New RDD [13]

All RDDs support

- map(func): pass each element through func
- filter(func): include those elements for which func returns true
- flatMap(func): similar to map, but func returns a list of elements
- mapPartitions(func): like map but runs on each partition independently
- sample(withReplacement, fraction, seed): pick a random fraction of data
- union(otherDataset): combine two datasets
- intersection(otherDataset): set that contains only elements in both sets
- distinct([numTasks]): returns unique elements
- cartesian(otherDataset): returns all pairs of elements
- pipe(command, [envVars]): pipe each partition through a shell command

Remember: Transformations return a lazy reference to a new dataset

Transformations Create a New RDD [13]

Key/Value RDDs additionally support

- `groupByKey([numTasks])`: combines values of identical keys in a list
- `reduceByKey(func, [numTasks])`: aggregate all values of each key
- `aggregateByKey(zeroValue, seqOp, combOp, [numTasks])`: aggregates values for keys, uses neutral element
- `sortByKey([ascending], [numTasks])`: order the dataset
- `join(otherDataset, [numTasks])`: pairs (K,V) elements with (K,U) and returns (K, (V,U))
- `cogroup(otherDataset, [numTasks])`: returns (K, iterableV, iterableU)

Actions: Perform I/O or return data to the driver [13]

- `reduce(func)`: aggregates elements $func(x, y) \Rightarrow z$
 - Func should be commutative and associative
- `count()`: number of RDD elements
- `countByKey()`: for K/V, returns hashmap with count for each key
- `foreach(func)`: run the function on each element of the dataset
 - Useful to update an accumulator or interact with storage
- `collect()`: returns the complete dataset to the driver
- `first()`: first element of the dataset
- `take(n)`: array with the first n elements
- `takeSample(withReplacement, num, [seed])`: return random array
- `takeOrdered(n, [comparator])`: first elements according to an order
- `saveAsTextFile(path)`: convert elements to string and write to a file
- `saveAsSequenceFile(path)`: ...
- `saveAsObjectFile(path)`: uses Java serialization

Shuffle [13]

Concepts

- Repartitions the RDD across the executors
- Costly operation (requires all-to-all)
- May be triggered implicitly by operations or can be enforced
- Requires network communication
- The number of partitions can be set

Operations

- `repartition(numPartitions)`: reshuffle the data randomly into partitions
- `coalesce(numPartitions)`: decrease the number of partitions¹
- `repartitionAndSortWithinPartitions(partitioner)`: repartition according to the partitioner, then sort each partition locally.¹

¹More efficient than `repartition()`

Persistence [13]

Concepts

- The data lineage of an RDD is stored
- Actions trigger computation, no intermediate results are kept
- The methods `cache()` and `persist()` enable copy of
 - The first time a RDD is computed, it is then kept for further usage
 - Each executor keeps its local data
 - `cache()` keeps data in memory (level: `MEMORY_ONLY`)
 - `persist()` allows to choose the storage level
- Spark manages the memory cache automatically
 - LRU cache, old RDDs are evicted to secondary storage (or deleted)
 - If an RDD is not in cache, re-computation may be triggered

Storage levels

- `MEMORY_ONLY`: keep Java objects in memory, or re-compute them
- `MEMORY_AND_DISK`: keep Java objects in memory or store them on disk
- `MEMORY_ONLY_SER`: keep serialized Java objects in memory
- `DISK_ONLY`: store the data only on secondary storage

Parallelism [13]

- Spark runs one task for each partition of the RDD
- Recommendation: create 2-4 partitions for each CPU
- When creating a RDD a default value is set, but can be changed manually

```
1 # Create 10 partitions when the data is distributed  
2 sc.parallelize(data, 10)
```

- The number of partitions is inherited from the parent(s) RDD
- Shuffle operations contain the argument numTasks
 - Define the number of partitions for the new RDD
- Some actions/transformations contain numTask
 - Define the number of reducers
 - By default, 8 parallel tasks for groupByKey() and reduceByKey()
- Analyze the data partitioning using glom()
 - It returns a list with RDD elements for each partition

```
1 X.glom().collect()  
2 # [[], [ 1, 4 ], [ ], [ 5 ], [ 2 ] ] => here we have 5 partitions for RDD X  
3 # Existing values are 1, 2, 4, 5 (not balanced in this example)
```

Typical Mistakes [13]

Use local variables in distributed memory

```
1 counter = 0
2 rdd = sc.parallelize(data)
3
4 # Wrong: since counter is a local variable, it is updated in each JVM
5 # Thus, each executor yields another result
6 rdd.foreach(lambda x: counter += x)
7 print("Counter value: " + counter)
```

Object serialization may be unexpected (and slow)

```
1 class MyClass(object):
2     def func(self, s):
3         return s
4     def doStuff(self, rdd):
5         # Run method in parallel but requires to serialize MyClass with its members
6         return rdd.map(self.func)
```

Writing to STDOUT/ERR on executors

```
1 # This will call println() on each element
2 # However, the executors' stdout is not redirected to the driver
3 rdd.foreach(println)
```

1 Concepts

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- Batch Applications
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Using YARN with Spark [18, 19]

- Two alternative deployment modes: cluster and client
- Interactive shells/driver requires client mode
- Spark dynamically allocates the number of executors based on the load
 - Set num-executors manually to disable this feature

```
1 PYSPARK_PYTHON=python3 pyspark --master yarn-client --driver-memory 4g
   ↪ --executor-memory 4g --num-executors 5 --executor-cores 24 --conf
   ↪ spark.ui.port=4711
```

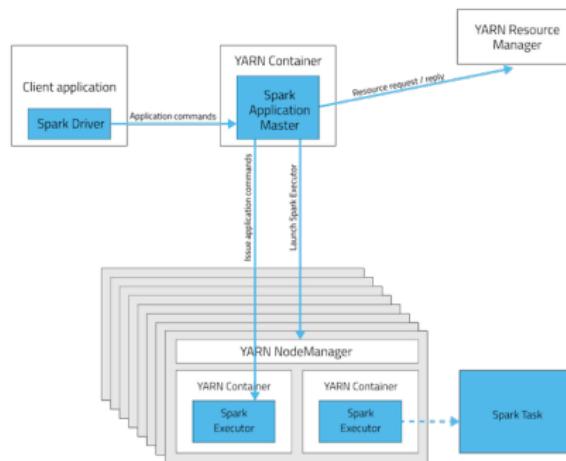


Figure: Source: [18]

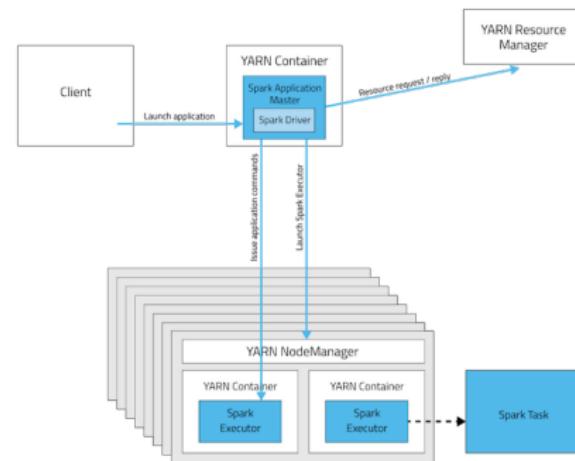


Figure: Source: [18]

Batch Applications

- Submit batch applications via spark-submit
- Supports JARs (Scala or Java)
- Supports Python code
- To query results check output (tracking URL)
- Build self-contained Spark applications (see [24])

```
1 spark-submit --master <master-URL> --class <MAIN> # for Java/Scala Applications
2   --conf <key>=<value> --py-files x,y,z # Add files to the PYTHONPATH
3   --jars <(hdfs|http|file|local)>://<FILE> # provide JARs to the classpath
4   <APPLICATION> [APPLICATION ARGUMENTS]
```

Examples for Python and Java

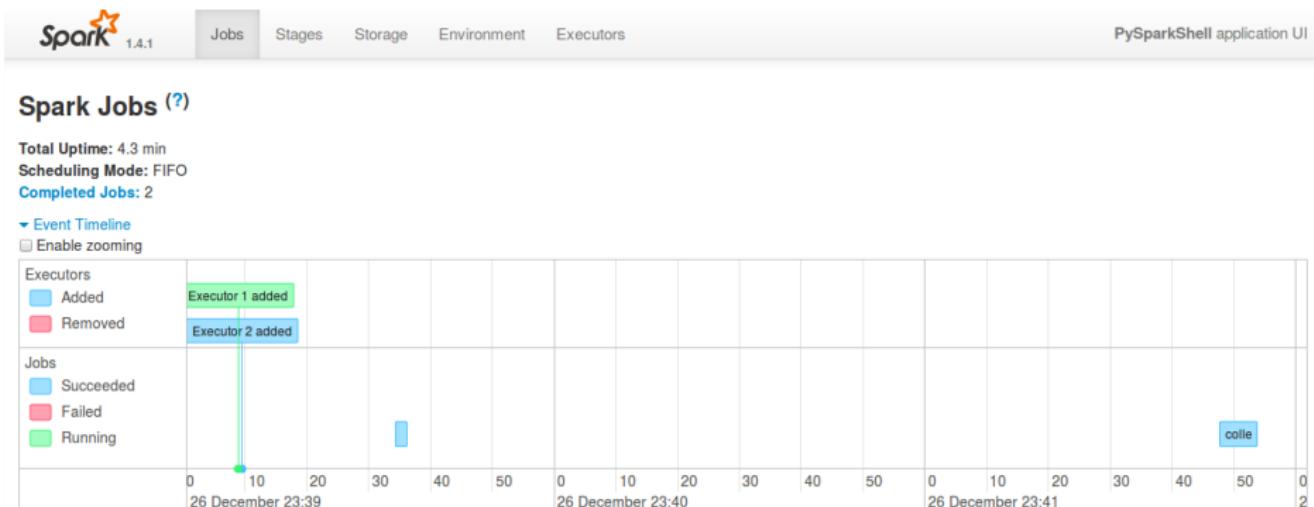
```
1 SPARK=/usr/hdp/2.3.2.0-2950/spark/
2 PYSPARK_PYTHON=python3 spark-submit --master yarn-cluster --driver-memory 4g
   ↪ --executor-memory 4g --num-executors 5 --executor-cores 24
   ↪ $SPARK/examples/src/main/python/pi.py 120
3 # One minute later, output in YARN log: "Pi is roughly 3.144135"
4
5 spark-submit --master yarn-cluster --driver-memory 4g --executor-memory 4g
   ↪ --num-executors 5 --executor-cores 24 --class
   ↪ org.apache.spark.examples.JavaSparkPi $SPARK/lib/spark-examples-*jar 120
```

Web UI

- Sophisticated analysis of performance issues
- Monitoring features
 - Running/previous jobs
 - Details for job execution
 - Storage usage (cached RDDs)
 - Environment variables
 - Details about executors
- Started automatically when a Spark shell is run
 - On our system available on Port 4040 ²
- Creates web-pages in YARN UI
 - While running automatically redirects from 4040 to the YARN UI
 - Historic data visit “tracking URL” in YARN UI

²Change it by adding -conf spark.ui.port=PORT to e.g. pyspark.

Web UI: Jobs



Completed Jobs (2)

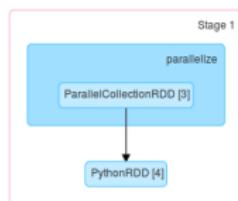
Job Id	Description	Submitted	Duration	Stages: Succeeded/Total	Tasks (for all stages): Succeeded/Total
1	collect at <stdin>:3	2015/12/26 23:41:47	6 s	1/1	2/2
0	collect at <stdin>:3	2015/12/26 23:39:34	1 s	1/1	2/2

Web UI: Stages

Details for Stage 1 (Attempt 0)

Total Time Across All Tasks: 6 s

▼ DAG Visualization



▼ Show Additional Metrics

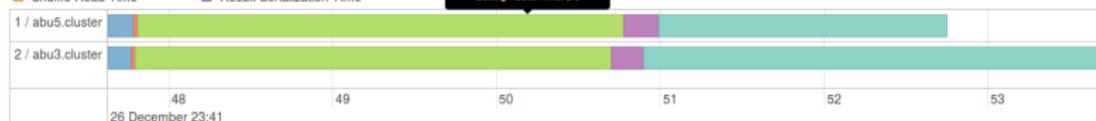
- (De)select All
- Scheduler Delay
- Task Deserialization Time
- Result Serialization Time
- Getting Result Time

▼ Event Timeline

- Enable zooming

- | | | |
|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------|
| Scheduler Delay | Executor Computing Time | Getting |
| Task Deserialization Time | Shuffle Write Time | |
| Shuffle Read Time | Result Serialization Time | |

Task 1 (attempt 0)
 Status: SUCCESS
 Launch Time: 2015/12/26 23:41:47
 Finish Time: 2015/12/26 23:41:52
 Scheduler Delay: 157 ms
 Task Deserialization Time: 24 ms
 Shuffle Read Time: 0 ms
 Executor Computing Time: 3 s
 Shuffle Write Time: 0 ms
 Result Serialization Time: 0.2 s
 Getting Result Time: 2 s



Summary Metrics for 2 Completed Tasks

Metric	Min	25th percentile	Median	75th percentile	Max
Duration	3 s	3 s	3 s	3 s	3 s

Web UI: Stages' Metrics

Summary Metrics for 2 Completed Tasks

Metric	Min	25th percentile	Median	75th percentile	Max
Duration	3 s	3 s	3 s	3 s	3 s
Scheduler Delay	0 ms	0 ms	0 ms	0 ms	0 ms
Task Deserialization Time	22 ms	22 ms	24 ms	24 ms	24 ms
GC Time	71 ms	71 ms	74 ms	74 ms	74 ms
Result Serialization Time	0.2 s	0.2 s	0.2 s	0.2 s	0.2 s
Getting Result Time	2 s	2 s	3 s	3 s	3 s

Aggregated Metrics by Executor

Executor ID	Address	Task Time	Total Tasks	Failed Tasks	Succeeded Tasks
1	abu5.cluster:56484	5 s	1	0	1
2	abu3.cluster:34220	6 s	1	0	1

Tasks

Index	ID	Attempt	Status	Locality Level	Executor ID / Host	Launch Time	Duration	Scheduler Delay	Task Deserialization Time	GC Time	Result Serialization Time	Getting Result Time	Errors
0	2	0	SUCCESS	PROCESS_LOCAL	2 / abu3.cluster	2015/12/26 23:41:47	3 s	0 ms	22 ms	71 ms	0.2 s	3 s	
1	3	0	SUCCESS	PROCESS_LOCAL	1 / abu5.cluster	2015/12/26 23:41:47	3 s	0 ms	24 ms	74 ms	0.2 s	2 s	

Web UI: Storage

Storage

RDD Name	Storage Level	Cached Partitions	Fraction Cached	Size in Memory	Size in ExternalBlockStore	Size on Disk
PythonRDD	Memory Serialized 1x Replicated	1	50%	19.0 MB	0.0 B	0.0 B

Figure: Overview

RDD Storage Info for PythonRDD

Storage Level: Memory Serialized 1x Replicated

Cached Partitions: 1

Total Partitions: 2

Memory Size: 19.0 MB

Disk Size: 0.0 B

Data Distribution on 3 Executors

Host	Memory Usage	Disk Usage
abu3.cluster:34220	0.0 B (530.0 MB Remaining)	0.0 B
10.0.0.61:45120	0.0 B (265.1 MB Remaining)	0.0 B
abu5.cluster:56484	19.0 MB (511.0 MB Remaining)	0.0 B

1 Partitions

Block Name	Storage Level	Size in Memory	Size on Disk	Executors
rrd_7_0	Memory Serialized 1x Replicated	19.0 MB	0.0 B	abu5.cluster:56484

Figure: RDD details

Web UI: Environment Variables

The screenshot shows the Spark 1.4.1 Web UI interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with tabs: Jobs, Stages, Storage, Environment (which is highlighted in grey), and Executors. The main content area is titled "Environment". Below the title, there are two sections: "Runtime Information" and "Spark Properties".

Environment

Runtime Information

Name	Value
Java Home	/usr/jdk64/jdk1.8.0_40/jre
Java Version	1.8.0_40 (Oracle Corporation)
Scala Version	version 2.10.4

Spark Properties

Name	Value
spark.app.id	local-1448289108772
spark.app.name	Spark shell
spark.driver.extraJavaOptions	-Dhdp.version=2.3.2.0-2950
spark.driver.host	10.0.0.61
spark.driver.port	45900
spark.executor.id	driver
spark.externalBlockStore.folderName	spark-160232fa-3a9f-447e-a1ca-7a4bea06efc1
spark.filesServer.uri	http://10.0.0.61:50693
spark.history.kerberos.keytab	none
spark.history.kerberos.principal	none
spark.history.provider	org.apache.spark.deploy.yarn.history.YarnHistoryProvider
spark.history.ui.port	18080
spark.jars	WARNING we run in local mode not cluster (or yarn)!
spark.master	local[""]
spark.repl.class.uri	http://10.0.0.61:36514
spark.scheduler.mode	FIFO

Web UI: Executors

Spark 1.4.1

Jobs Stages Storage Environment Executors PySparkShell application UI

Executors (3)

Memory: 19.0 MB Used (1325.2 MB Total)

Disk: 0.0 B Used

Executor ID	Address	RDD Blocks	Storage Memory	Disk Used	Active Tasks	Failed Tasks	Complete Tasks	Total Tasks	Task Time	Input	Shuffle Read	Shuffle Write	Logs	Thread Dump
1	abu5.cluster:56484	1	19.0 MB / 530.0 MB	0.0 B	0	0	3	3	6.8 s	0.0 B	0.0 B	0.0 B	stdout stderr	Thread Dump
2	abu3.cluster:34220	0	0.0 B / 530.0 MB	0.0 B	0	0	2	2	7.1 s	0.0 B	0.0 B	0.0 B	stdout stderr	Thread Dump
driver	10.0.0.61:45120	0	0.0 B / 265.1 MB	0.0 B	0	0	0	0	0 ms	0.0 B	0.0 B	0.0 B		Thread Dump

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Code Examples for our Student/Lecture Data

Preparing the data and some simple operations

```
1 from datetime import datetime
2 # Goal load student data from our CSV, we'll use primitive parsing that cannot handle escaped text
3 # We are just using tuples here without schema. split() returns an array
4 s = sc.textFile("stud.csv").map(lambda line: line.split(",")).filter(lambda line: len(line)>1)
5 l = sc.textFile("lecture.csv").map(lambda line: line.split(";")).filter(lambda line: len(line)>1)
6 print(l.take(10))
7 # [[u'1', u'"Big Data"', u'{(22),(23)}'], [u'2', u'"Hochleistungsrechnen"', u'{(22)}']]
8 l.saveAsTextFile("output.csv") # returns a directory with each partition
9
10 # Now convert lines into tuples, create lectures with a set of attending students
11 l = l.map( lambda t: ((int)(t[0]), t[1], eval(t[2])) ) # eval interprets the text as python code
12 # [(1, u'"Big Data"', set([22, 23])), (2, u'"Hochleistungsrechnen"', set([22]))]
13
14 # Convert students into proper data types
15 s = s.map( lambda t: ((int)(t[0]), t[1], t[2], t[3].upper() == "TRUE", datetime.strptime(t[4], "%Y-%m-%d")) )
16 # (22, u'"Fritz"', u'"Musterman"', False, datetime.datetime(2000, 1, 1, 0, 0))...
17
18 # Identify how the rows are distributed
19 print(s.map(lambda x: x[0]).glom().collect())
20 # [[22], [23]] => each student is stored in its own partition
21
22 # Stream all tokens as text through cat, each token is input separately
23 m = l.pipe("/bin/cat")
24 # [(1, u'"Big Data"\', set([22, 23])), (2, u'"Hochleistungsrechnen"\', set([22]))]
25
26 # Create a key/value RDD
27 # Student ID to data
28 skv = s.map(lambda l: (l[0], (l[1],l[2],l[3],l[4])))
29 # Lecture ID to data
30 lkv = l.map(lambda l: (l[0], (l[1], l[2])))
```

Code Examples for our Student/Lecture Data

- Was the code on the slide before a bit hard to read?
- Better to document tuple format input/output or use pipe diagrams!

Goal: Identify all lectures a student attends (now with comments)

```
1 # s = [(id, firstname, lastname, female, birth), ...]
2 # l = [(id, name, [attendee student id]), ...]
3 sl = l.flatMap(lambda l: [ (s, l[0]) for s in l[2] ] ) # can return 0 or more tuples
4 # sl = [ (student id, lecture id) ] = [(22, 1), (23, 1), (22, 2)]
5 # sl is now a key/value RDD.
6
7 # Find all lectures a student attends
8 lsa = sl.groupByKey() # lsa = [ (student id, [lecture id] ) ]
9
10 # print student and attending lectures
11 for (stud, attends) in lsa.collect():
12     print("%d : %s" %(stud, [ str(a) for a in attends ] ))
13 # 22 : ['1', '2']
14 # 23 : ['1']
15
16 # Use a join by the key to identify the students' data
17 j = lsa.join(skv) # join (student id, [lecture id]) with [(id), (firstname, lastname, female, birth)), ...]
18 for (stud, (attends, studdata)) in j.collect():
19     print("%d: %s %s : %s" %(stud, studdata[0], studdata[1], [ str(a) for a in attends ] ))
20 22: "Fritz" "Musterman" : ['1', '2']
21 23: "Nina" "Musterfrau" : ['1']
```

Code Examples for our Student/Lecture Data

Compute the average age of students

```
1 # Approach: initialize a tuple with (age, 1) and reduce it (age1, count1) + (age2, age2) = (age1+age2, count1+count2)
2 cur = datetime.now()
3 # We again combine multiple operations in one line
4 # The transformations are executed when calling reduce
5 age = s.map( lambda x: ( (cur - x[4]).days, 1 ) ).reduce( lambda x, y: (x[0]+y[0], x[1]+y[1]) )
6 print(age)
7 # (11478, 2) => total age in days of all people, 2 people
8
9 # Alternative via a shared variable
10 ageSum = sc.accumulator(0)
11 peopleSum = sc.accumulator(0)
12
13 # We define a function to manipulate the shared variable
14 def increment(age):
15     ageSum.add(age)
16     peopleSum.add(1)
17
18 # Determine age, then apply the function to manipulate shared vars
19 s.map( lambda x: (cur - x[4]).days ).foreach( increment )
20 print("%s, %s): avg %.2f" % (ageSum, peopleSum, ageSum.value/365.0/peopleSum.value))
21 # (11480, 2): avg 15.73
```

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Higher-Level Abstractions

- Spark SQL: access relational tables
 - Access JDBC, hive tables or temporary tables
 - Limitations: No UPDATE statements, INSERT only for Parquet files
- GraphX: graph processing [15] (no Python API so far)
- Spark Streaming [16]
 - Discretized streams accept data from sources
 - TCP stream, file, Kafka, Flume, Kinesis, Twitter
 - Some support for executing SQL and MLlib on streaming data
- MLlib: Machine Learning Library
 - Provides efficient algorithms for several fields

SQL Overview [14]

- New data structures: SchemaRDD representing a table with rows
- RDDs can be converted to tables
 - Either create a schema manually or infer the data types
- Tables are file-backed and integrated into Hive
 - Self-describing Parquet files also store the schema
 - Use cacheTable(NAME) to load a table into memory
- Thrift JDBC server (similar to Hives JDBC)
- SQL-DSL: Language-Integrated queries
- Access via HiveContext (earlier SQLContext) class
 - HiveContext provides
 - Better Hive compatible SQL than SQLContext
 - User-defined functions (UDFs)
 - There are some (annoying) restrictions to HiveQL

Creating an In-memory Table from RDD

```
1 # Create a table from an array using the column names value, key
2 # The data types of the columns are automatically inferred
3 r = sqlContext.createDataFrame([('test', 10), ('data', 11)], ["value", "key"])
4
5 # Alternative: create/use an RDD
6 rdd = sc.parallelize(range(1,10)).map(lambda x : (x, str(x)) )
7
8 # Create the table from the RDD using the columnnames given, here "value" and "key"
9 schema = sqlContext.createDataFrame(rdd, ["value", "key"])
10 schema.printSchema()
11
12 # Register table for use with SQL, we use a temporary table, so the table is NOT visible
13     ↪ in Hive
13 schema.registerTempTable("nums")
14
15 # Now you can run SQL queries
16 res = sqlContext.sql("SELECT * from nums")
17
18 # res is an DataFrame that uses columns according to the schema
19 print(res.collect())
20 # [Row(num=1, str='1'), Row(num=2, str='2'), ... ]
21
22 # Save results as a table for Hive
23 from pyspark.sql import DataFrameWriter
24 dw = DataFrameWriter(res)
25 dw.saveAsTable("data")
```

Manage Hive Tables via SQL

```
1 # When using an SQL statement to create the table, the table is visible in HCatalog!
2 p = sqlContext.sql("CREATE TABLE IF NOT EXISTS data (key INT, value STRING)")
3
4 # Bulk loading data by appending it to the table data (if it existed)
5 sqlContext.sql("LOAD DATA LOCAL INPATH 'data.txt' INTO TABLE data")
6
7 # The result of a SQL query is a DataFrame, an RDD of rows
8 rdd = sqlContext.sql("SELECT * from data")
9
10 # Treat rdd as a SchemaRDD, access row members using the column name
11 o = rdd.map(lambda x: x.key) # Access the column by name, here "key"
12 # To print the distributed values they have to be collected.
13 print(o.collect())
14
15 sqlContext.cacheTable("data") # Cache the table in memory
16
17 # Save as Text file/directory into the local file system
18 dw.json("data.json", mode="overwrite")
19 # e.g. {"key":10,"value":"test"}
20
21 sqlContext.sql("DROP TABLE data") # Remove the table
```

Language integrated DSL

- Methods to formulate SQL queries
 - See `help(pyspark.sql.DataFrame)` for details
- Applies lazy evaluation

```
1 from pyspark.sql import functions as F
2
3 # Run a select query and visualize the results
4 rdd.select(rdd.key, rdd.value).show()
5 # +---+-----+
6 # |key|      value|
7 # +---+-----+
8 # | 10|      test|
9 # | 11|      data|
10 # | 12|      fritz|
11 # +---+-----+
12
13 # Return the rows where value == 'test'
14 rdd.where(rdd.value == 'test').collect()
15
16 # Aggregate/Reduce values by the key
17 rdd.groupBy().avg().collect() # average(key)=11
18 # Similar call, short for groupBy().agg()
19 rdd.agg({"key": "avg"}).collect()
20 # Identical result for the aggregation with different notation
21 rdd.agg(F.avg(rdd.key)).collect()
```

Code Examples for our Student/Lecture Data

Convert the student RDDs to a Hive table and perform queries

```
1 from pyspark.sql import HiveContext, Row
2
3 sqlContext = HiveContext(sc)
4 # Manually convert lines to a Row (could be done automatically)
5 sdf = s.map(lambda l: Row(matrikel=l[0], firstname=l[1], lastname=l[2], female=l[3], birthday=l[4]))
6 # infer the schema and create a table (SchemaRDD) from the data (inferSchema is deprecated but shows the idea)
7 schemaStudents = sqlContext.inferSchema(sdf)
8 schemaStudents.printSchema()
9 # birthday: timestamp (nullable = true), female: boolean (nullable = true), ...
10 schemaStudents.registerTempTable("student")
11
12 females = sqlContext.sql("SELECT firstname FROM student WHERE female == TRUE")
13 print(females.collect()) # print data
14 # [Row(firstname=u'''Nina''')]
15
16 ldf = l.map(lambda l: Row(id=l[0], name=l[1]))
17 schemaLecture = sqlContext.inferSchema(ldf)
18 schemaLecture.registerTempTable("lectures")
19
20 # Create student-lecture relation
21 slr = l.flatMap(lambda l: [ Row(lid=l[0], matrikel=s) for s in l[2] ] )
22 schemaStudLec = sqlContext.inferSchema(slr)
23 schemaStudLec.registerTempTable("studlec")
24
25 # Print student name and all attended lectures' names, collect_set() bags grouped items together
26 sat = sqlContext.sql("SELECT s.firstname, s.lastname, s.matrikel, collect_set(l.name) as lecs FROM studlec sl JOIN student s
27     → ON sl.matrikel=s.matrikel JOIN lectures l ON sl.lid=l.id GROUP BY s.firstname, s.lastname, s.matrikel ")
print(sat.collect()) # [Row(firstname=u'''Nina''', lastname=u'''Musterfrau F.''', matrikel=23, lecs=[u'''Big Data'''],
    → Row(firstname=u'''Fritz''', lastname=u'''Musterman M.''', matrikel=22, lecs=[u'''Big Data''',
    → u'''Hochleistungsrechnen'''])]
```

Code Examples for our Student/Lecture Data

Storing tables as Parquet files

```
1 # Saved DataFrame as Parquet files keeping schema information.
2 # Note: DateTime is not supported, yet
3 schemaLecture.saveAsParquetFile("lecture-parquet")
4
5 # Read in the Parquet file created above. Parquet files are self-describing so the
   ↪ schema is preserved.
6 # The result of loading a parquet file is also a DataFrame.
7 lectureFromFile = sqlContext.parquetFile("lecture-parquet")
8 # Register Parquet file as lFromFile
9 lectureFromFile.registerTempTable("lFromFile");
10
11 # Now it supports bulk insert (we insert again all lectures)
12 sqlContext.sql("INSERT INTO TABLE lFromFile SELECT * from lectures")
13 # Not supported INSERT: sqlContext.sql("INSERT INTO lFromFile VALUES(3, 'Neue
   ↪ Vorlesung', {{}})")
```

Dealing with JSON Files

Table (SchemaRDD) rows' can be converted to/from JSON

```
1 # store each row as JSON
2 schemaLecture.toJSON().saveAsTextFile("lecture-json")
3 # load JSON
4 ljson = sqlContext.jsonFile("lecture-json")
5 # now register JSON as table
6 ljson.registerTempTable("ljson")
7 # perform SQL queries
8 sqlContext.sql("SELECT * FROM ljson").collect()
9
10 # Create lectures from a JSON snippet with one column as semi-structured JSON
11 lectureNew = sc.parallelize([{"id":4,"name":"New lecture", "otherInfo":{"url":"http://xy", "mailingList":"xy", "lecturer": "→ ["p1", "p2", "p3"]}}], [{"id":5,"name":"New lecture 2", "otherInfo":{}}])
12 lNewSchema = sqlContext.jsonRDD(lectureNew)
13 lNewSchema.registerTempTable("lnew")
14
15 # Spark natively understands nested JSON fields and can access them
16 sqlContext.sql("SELECT otherInfo.mailingList FROM lnew").collect()
17 # [Row(mailingList=u'xy'), Row(mailingList=None)]
18 sqlContext.sql("SELECT otherInfo.lecturer[2] FROM lnew").collect()
19 # [Row(_c0=u'p3'), Row(_c0=None)]
```

Spark Streaming [16]

- Alternative to Storm
 - Data model: Continuous stream of RDDs (batches of tuples)
 - Fault tolerance: uses checkpointing of states
- Not all data can be accessed at a given time
 - Only data from one interval or a sliding window
 - States can be kept for key/value RDDs using `updateStateByKey()`
- Not all transformation and operations available, e.g. `foreach`, `collect`
 - Streams can be combined with existing RDDs using `transform()`
- Workflow: Build the pipeline, then start it
- Can read streams from multiple sources
 - Files, TCP sources, ...
- Note: Number of tasks assigned > than receivers, otherwise it stagnates



Figure: Source: [16]

Processing of Streams

Basic processing concept is the same as for RDDs, example:

```
1 words = lines.flatMap(lambda l: l.split(" "))
```

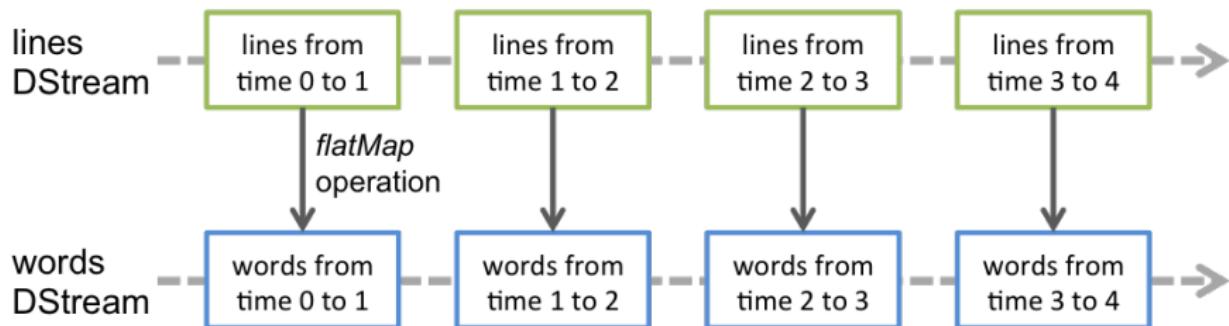


Figure: Source: [16]

Window-Based Operations

```
1 # Reduce a window of 30 seconds of data every 10 seconds  
2 rdd = words.reduceByKeyAndWindow(lambda x, y: x + y, 30, 10)
```

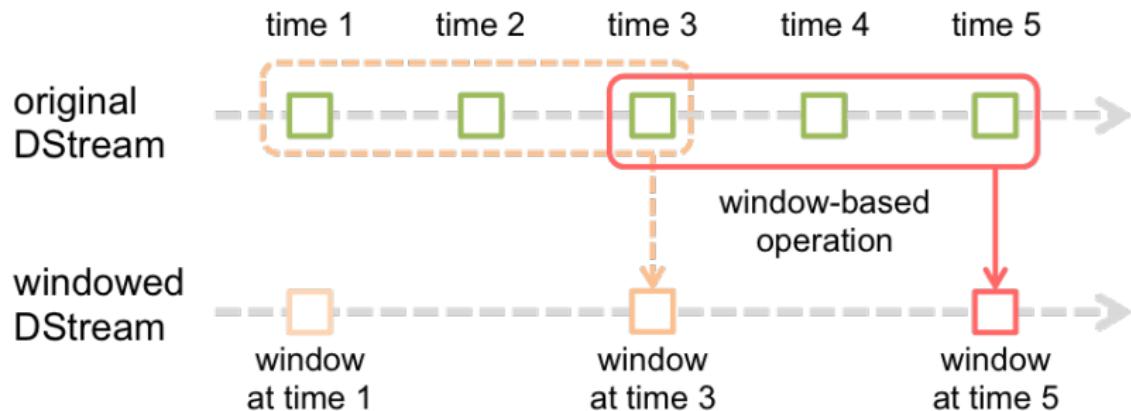


Figure: Source: [16]

Example Streaming Application

```

1 from pyspark.streaming import StreamingContext
2 # Create batches every second
3 ssc = StreamingContext(sc, batchDuration=1)
4 ssc.checkpoint("mySparkCP")
5 # We should use ssc.getOrCreate() to allow restoring the stored
   ↪ checkpoint, see [16]
6
7 # Create a stream from a TCP socket
8 lines = ssc.socketTextStream("localhost", 9999)
9
10 # Alternatively: read newly created files in the directory and process them
11 # Move files into this directory to start computation
12 # lines = ssc.textFileStream("myDir")
13
14 # Split lines into tokens and return tuples (word,1)
15 words = lines.flatMap(lambda l: l.split(" ")).map( lambda x: (x,1) )
16
17 # Track the count for each key (word)
18 def updateWC(val, stateVal):
19     if stateVal is None:
20         stateVal = 0
21     return sum(val, stateVal)
22
23 counts = words.updateStateByKey(updateWC) # Requires checkpointing
24
25 # Print the first 10 tokens of each stream RDD
26 counts.pprint(num=10)
27
28 # start computation, after that we cannot change the processing pipeline
29 ssc.start()
30 # Wait until computation finishes
31 ssc.awaitTermination()
32 # Terminate computation
33 ssc.stop()

```

Example output

Started TCP server
 nc -lk4 localhost
 9999

Input: das ist ein test

Output:

Time: 2015-12-27 15:09:43

 ('das', 1)
 ('test', 1)
 ('ein', 1)
 ('ist', 1)

Input: das ist ein haus

Output:

Time: 2015-12-27 15:09:52

 ('das', 2)
 ('test', 1)
 ('ein', 2)
 ('ist', 2)
 ('haus', 1)

MLlib: Machine Learning Library [22]

- Provides many useful algorithms, some in streaming versions
- Supports many existing data types from other packages
 - Supports Numpy, SciPy, MLlib

Subset of provided algorithms

- Statistics
 - Descriptive statistics, hypothesis testing, random data generation
- Classification and regression
 - Linear models, Decision trees, Naive Bayes
- Clustering
 - k-means
- Frequent pattern mining
 - Association rules
- Higher-level APIs for complex pipelines
 - Feature extraction, transformation and selection
 - Classification and regression trees
 - Multilayer perceptron classifier

Descriptive Statistics [22]

```
1 from pyspark.mllib.stat import Statistics as s
2 import math
3
4 # Create RDD with 4 columns
5 rdd = sc.parallelize( range(1,100) ).map( lambda x : [x, math.sin(x), x*x, x/100] )
6 sum = s.colStats(rdd) # determine column statistics
7 print(sum.mean()) # [ 5.00e+01  3.83024876e-03  3.31666667e+03  5.00e-01]
8 print(sum.variance()) # [ 8.25e+02  5.10311520e-01  8.788835e+06  8.25e-02]
9
10 x = sc.parallelize( range(1,100) ) # create a simple data set
11 y = x.map( lambda x: x / 10 + 0.5)
12 # Determine Pearson correlation
13 print(s.corr(x, y, method="pearson")) # Correlation 1.0000000000000002
14
15 # Create a random RDD with 100000 elements
16 from pyspark.mllib.random import RandomRDDs
17 u = RandomRDDs.uniformRDD(sc, 1000000)
18
19 # Estimate kernel density
20 from pyspark.mllib.stat import KernelDensity
21 kd = KernelDensity()
22 kd.setSample(u)
23 kd.setBandwidth(1.0)
24 # Estimate density for the given values
25 densities = kd.estimate( [0.2, 0, 4] )
```

Linear Models [23]

```
1 from pyspark.mllib.regression import LabeledPoint, LinearRegressionWithSGD, LinearRegressionModel
2 import random
3
4 # Three features (x, y, label = x + 2*y + small random Value)
5 x = [ random.uniform(1,100) for y in range(1, 10000) ]
6 x.sort()
7 y = [ random.uniform(1,100) for y in range(1, 10000) ]
8 # LabeledPoint identifies the result variable
9 raw = [ LabeledPoint(i+j+random.gauss(0,4), [i/100, j/200]) for (i,j) in zip(x, y) ]
10 data = sc.parallelize( raw )
11
12 # Build the model using maximum of 10 iterations with stochastic gradient descent
13 model = LinearRegressionWithSGD.train(data, 100)
14
15 print(model.intercept)
16 # 0.0
17 print(model.weights)
18 #[110.908004953,188.96464824] => we expect [100, 200]
19
20 # Validate the model with the original training data
21 vp = data.map(lambda p: (p.label, model.predict(p.features)))
22
23 # Error metrics
24 abserror = vp.map(lambda p: abs(p[0] - p[1])).reduce(lambda x, y: x + y) / vp.count()
25 error = vp.map(lambda p: abs(p[0] - p[1]) / p[0]).reduce(lambda x, y: x + y) / vp.count()
26 MSE = vp.map(lambda p: (p[0] - p[1])**2).reduce(lambda x, y: x + y) / vp.count()
27
28 print("Abs error: %.2f" % (abserror)) # 4.41
29 print("Rel. error: %.2f%%" % (error * 100)) # 5.53%
30 print("Mean Squared Error: %.2f" % (MSE))
31
32 # Save / load the model
33 model.save(sc, "myModelPath")
34 model = LinearRegressionModel.load(sc, "myModelPath")
```

Clustering [25]

```
1 # Clustering with k-means is very simple for N-Dimensional data
2 from pyspark.mllib.clustering import KMeans, KMeansModel
3 import random as r
4 from numpy import array
5
6 # Create 3 clusters in 2D at (10,10), (50,30) and (70,70)
7 x = [ [r.gauss(10,4), r.gauss(10,2)] for y in range(1, 100) ]
8 x.extend( [r.gauss(50,5), r.gauss(30,3)] for y in range(1, 900) )
9 x.extend( [r.gauss(70,5), r.gauss(70,8)] for y in range(1, 500) )
10 x = [ array(x) for x in x]
11
12 data = sc.parallelize(x)
13
14 # Apply k-means
15 clusters = KMeans.train(data, 3, maxIterations=10, runs=10, initializationMode="random")
16
17 print(clusters.clusterCenters)
18 # [array([ 70.42953058,  69.88289475]),
19 #  array([ 10.57839294,   9.92010409]),
20 #  array([ 49.72193422,  30.15358142])]
21
22 # Save/load model
23 clusters.save(sc, "myModelPath")
24 sameModel = KMeansModel.load(sc, "myModelPath")
```

Decision Trees [25]

```
1 # Decision trees operate on tables and don't use LabeledPoint ...
2 # They offer the concept of a pipeline to preprocess data in RDD
3
4 from pyspark.mllib.linalg import Vectors
5 from pyspark.sql import Row
6 from pyspark.ml.classification import DecisionTreeClassifier
7 from pyspark.ml.feature import StringIndexer
8 from pyspark.ml import Pipeline
9 from pyspark.ml.evaluation import BinaryClassificationEvaluator
10 import random as r
11
12 # We create a new random dataset but now with some overlap
13 x = [ ("blue", [r.gauss(10,4), r.gauss(10,2)]) for y in range(1, 100) ]
14 x.extend( ("red", [r.gauss(50,5), r.gauss(30,3)]) for y in range(1, 900) )
15 x.extend( ("yellow", [r.gauss(70,15), r.gauss(70,25)]) for y in range(1, 500) ) # Class red and yellow may overlap
16
17 data = sc.parallelize(x).map(lambda x: (x[0], Vectors.dense(x[1])))
18 # The data frame is expected to contain exactly the specified two columns
19 dataset = sqlContext.createDataFrame(data, ["label", "features"])
20
21 # Create a numeric index from string label categories, this is mandatory!
22 labelIndexer = StringIndexer(inputCol="label", outputCol="indexedLabel").fit(dataset)
23
24 # Our decision tree
25 dt = DecisionTreeClassifier(featuresCol='features', labelCol='indexedLabel', predictionCol='prediction', maxDepth=5)
26
27 # Split data into 70% training set and 30% validation set
28 (trainingData, validationData) = dataset.randomSplit([0.7, 0.3])
29
30 # Create a pipeline which processes dataframes and run it to create the model
31 pipeline = Pipeline(stages=[labelIndexer, dt])
32 model = pipeline.fit(trainingData)
```

Decision Trees – Validation [25]

```
1 # Perform the validation on our validation data
2 predictions = model.transform(validationData)
3
4 # Pick some rows to display.
5 predictions.select("prediction", "indexedLabel", "features").show(2)
6 # +-----+-----+
7 # |prediction|indexedLabel|           features|
8 # +-----+-----+
9 # |      2.0|          2.0|[11.4688967071571...
10 # |      2.0|          2.0|[10.8286615821145...
11 # +-----+-----+
12
13 # Compute confusion matrix using inline SQL
14 predictions.select("prediction", "indexedLabel").groupBy(["prediction",
   ↪ "indexedLabel"]).count().show()
15 # +-----+-----+
16 # |prediction|indexedLabel|count|
17 # +-----+-----+
18 # |      2.0|          2.0|    69| <= correct
19 # |      1.0|          1.0|  343| <= correct
20 # |      0.0|          0.0|  615| <= correct
21 # |      0.0|          1.0|    12| <= too much overlap, thus wrong
22 # |      1.0|          0.0|     5| <= too much overlap, thus wrong
23 # +-----+-----+
24
25 # There are also classes for performing automatic validation
```

Summary

- Spark is an in-memory processing and storage engine
 - It is based on the concept of RDDs
 - An RDD is an immutable list of tuples (or a key/value tuple)
 - Computation is programmed by transforming RDDs
- Data is distributed by partitioning an RDD
 - Computation of transformations is done on local partitions
 - Shuffle operations change the mapping and require communication
 - Actions return data to the driver or perform I/O
- Fault-tolerance is provided by re-computing partitions
- Driver program controls the executors and provides code closures
- Lazy evaluation: All computation is deferred until needed by actions
- Higher-level APIs enable SQL, streaming and machine learning
- Interactions with the Hadoop ecosystem
 - Accessing HDFS data
 - Sharing tables with Hive
 - Can use YARN resource management

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