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Fast, Interactive, Language-
Integrated Cluster Computing

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Project Goals

Extend the MapReduce model to better support two common classes of analytics apps:

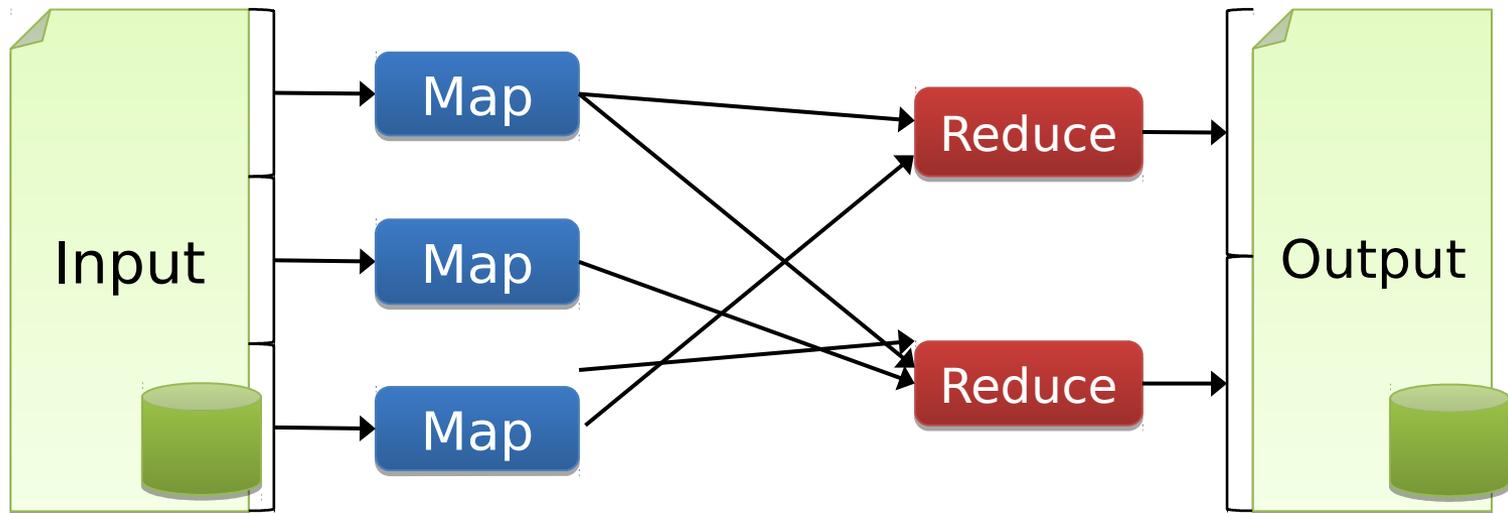
- » **Iterative** algorithms (machine learning, graphs)
- » **Interactive** data mining

Enhance programmability:

- » Integrate into Scala programming language
- » Allow interactive use from Scala interpreter

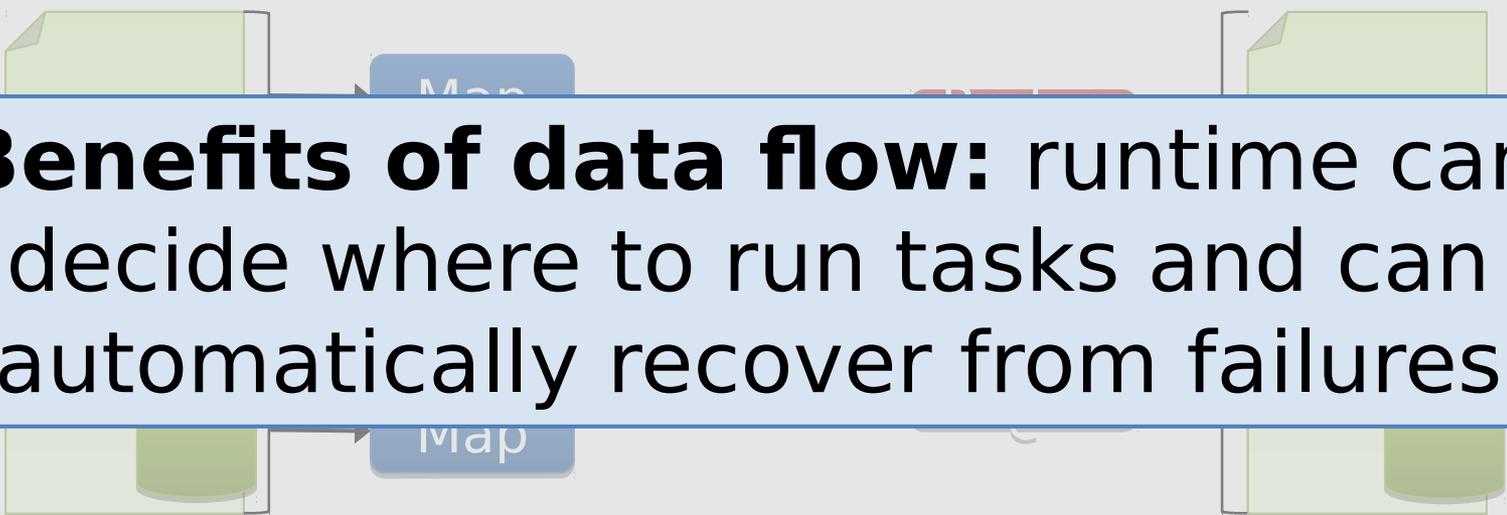
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The diagram shows a sequence of operations. On the left, a green document icon represents stable storage. An arrow points from this storage to a blue box labeled 'Map'. From the 'Map' box, an arrow points to a red box labeled 'Reduce'. From the 'Reduce' box, an arrow points to another green document icon on the right, representing stable storage. A large blue rounded rectangle is overlaid on the diagram, containing text about the benefits of data flow.

Benefits of data flow: runtime can decide where to run tasks and can automatically recover from failures

Motivation

Acyclic data flow is inefficient for applications that repeatedly reuse a *working set* of data:

- » **Iterative** algorithms (machine learning, graphs)
- » **Interactive** data mining tools (R, Excel, Python)

With current frameworks, apps reload data from stable storage on each query

Solution: Resilient Distributed Datasets (RDDs)

Allow apps to keep working sets in memory for efficient reuse

Retain the attractive properties of MapReduce
» Fault tolerance, data locality, scalability

Support a wide range of applications

Programming Model

Resilient distributed datasets (RDDs)

- » Immutable, partitioned collections of objects
- » Created through parallel *transformations* (map, filter, groupBy, join, ...) on data in stable storage
- » Can be *cached* for efficient reuse

Actions on RDDs

- » Count, reduce, collect, save, ...

Spark Operations

Transformations (define a new RDD)

map
filter
sample
groupByKey
reduceByKey
sortByKey

flatMap
union
join
cogroup
cross
mapValues

Actions (return a result to driver program)

collect
reduce
count
save
lookupKey

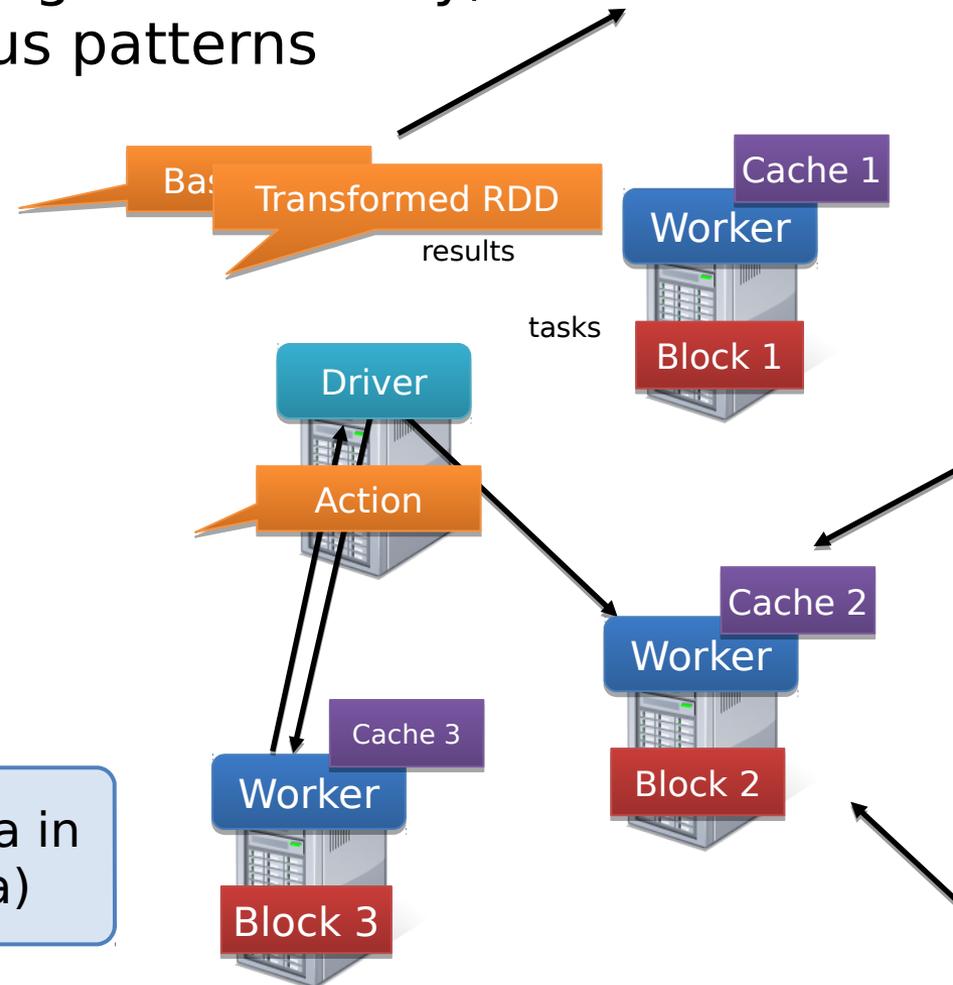
Example: Log Mining

Load error messages from a log into memory, then interactively search for various patterns

```
lines = spark.textFile("hdfs://...")
errors = lines.filter(_.startsWith("ERROR"))
messages = errors.map(_.split('\t')(2))
cachedMsgs = messages.cache()

cachedMsgs.filter(_.contains("foo")).count
cachedMsgs.filter(_.contains("bar")).count
...
```

Result: full-text search of Wikipedia in <1 sec (vs 20 sec for on-disk data)

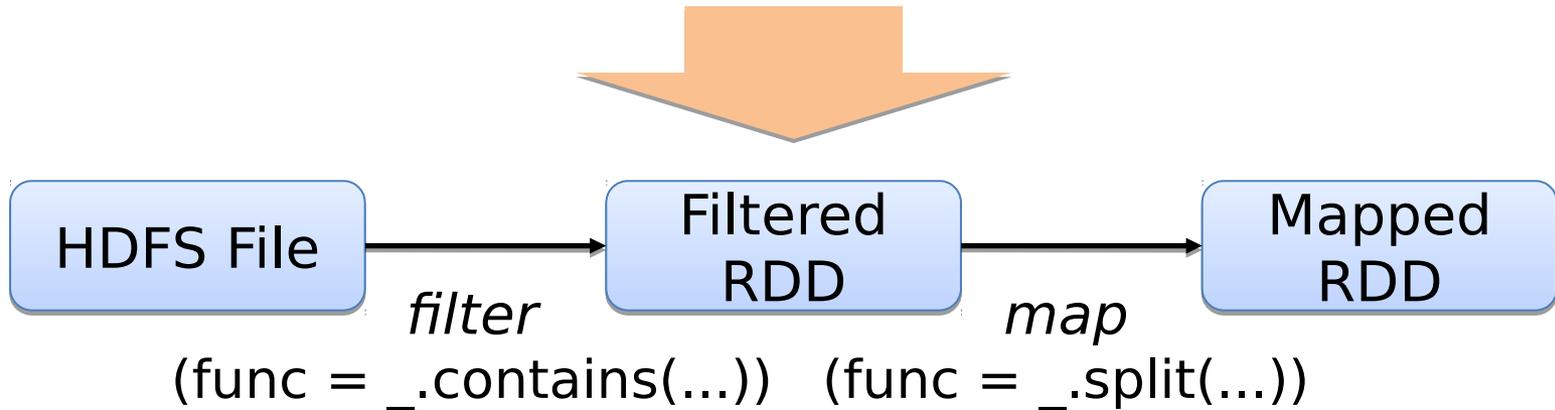


RDD Fault Tolerance

RDDs maintain *lineage* information that can be used to reconstruct lost partitions

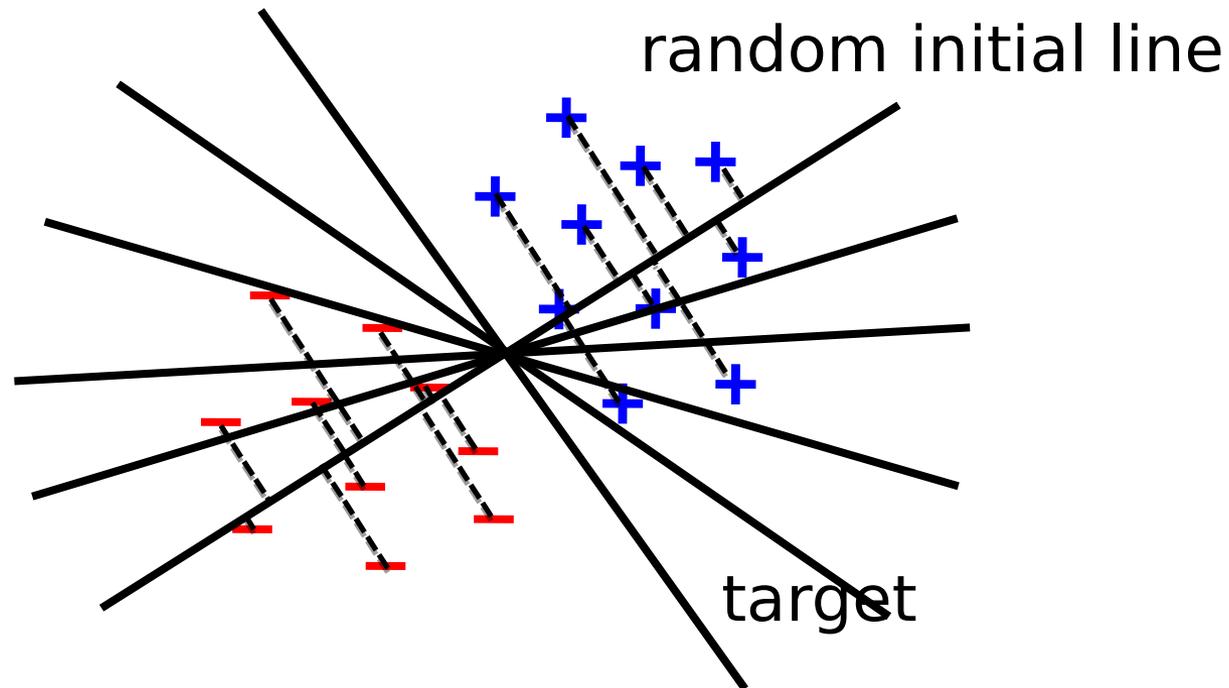
Ex:

```
messages = textFile(...).filter(_.startsWith("ERROR"))  
                        .map(_.split('\t')(2))
```



Example: Logistic Regression

Goal: find best line separating two sets of points



Example: Logistic Regression

```
val data = spark.textFile(...).map(readPoint).cache()
```

```
var w = Vector.random(D)
```

```
for (i <- 1 to ITERATIONS) {  
  val gradient = data.map(p =>  
    (1 / (1 + exp(-p.y*(w dot p.x))) - 1) * p.y * p.x  
  ).reduce(_ + _)  
  w -= gradient  
}
```

```
println("Final w: " + w)
```

Spark Applications

In-memory data mining on Hive data (Conviva)

Predictive analytics (Quantifind)

City traffic prediction (Mobile Millennium)

Twitter spam classification (Monarch)

Collaborative filtering via matrix factorization

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Frameworks Built on Spark

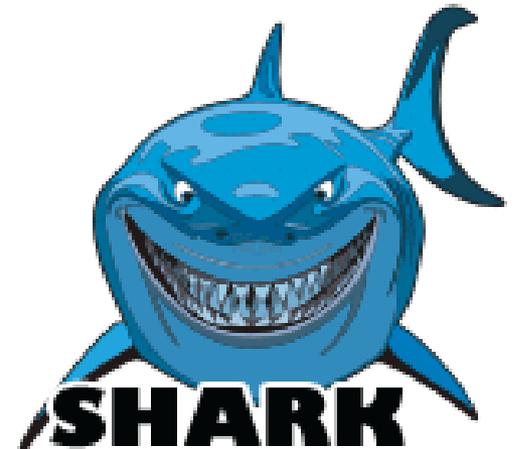
Pregel on Spark (Bagel)

- » Google message passing model for graph computation
- » 200 lines of code



Hive on Spark (Shark)

- » 3000 lines of code
- » Compatible with Apache Hive
- » ML operators in Scala

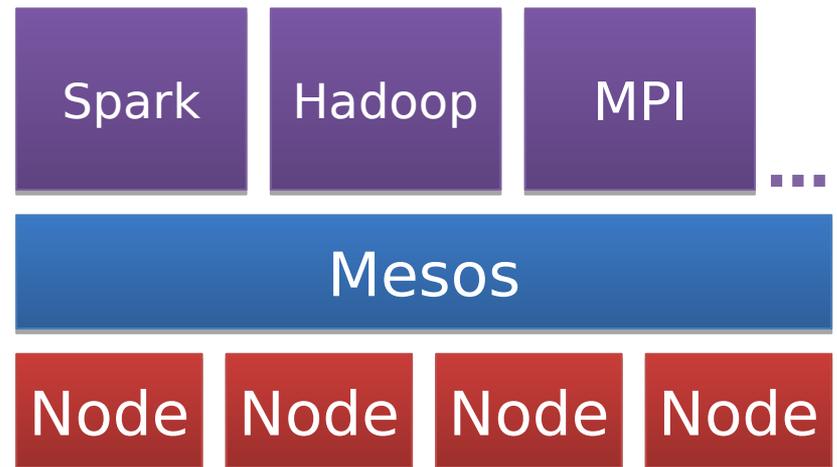


Implementation

Runs on Apache Mesos to share resources with Hadoop & other apps

Can read from any Hadoop input source (e.g. HDFS)

No changes to Scala compiler



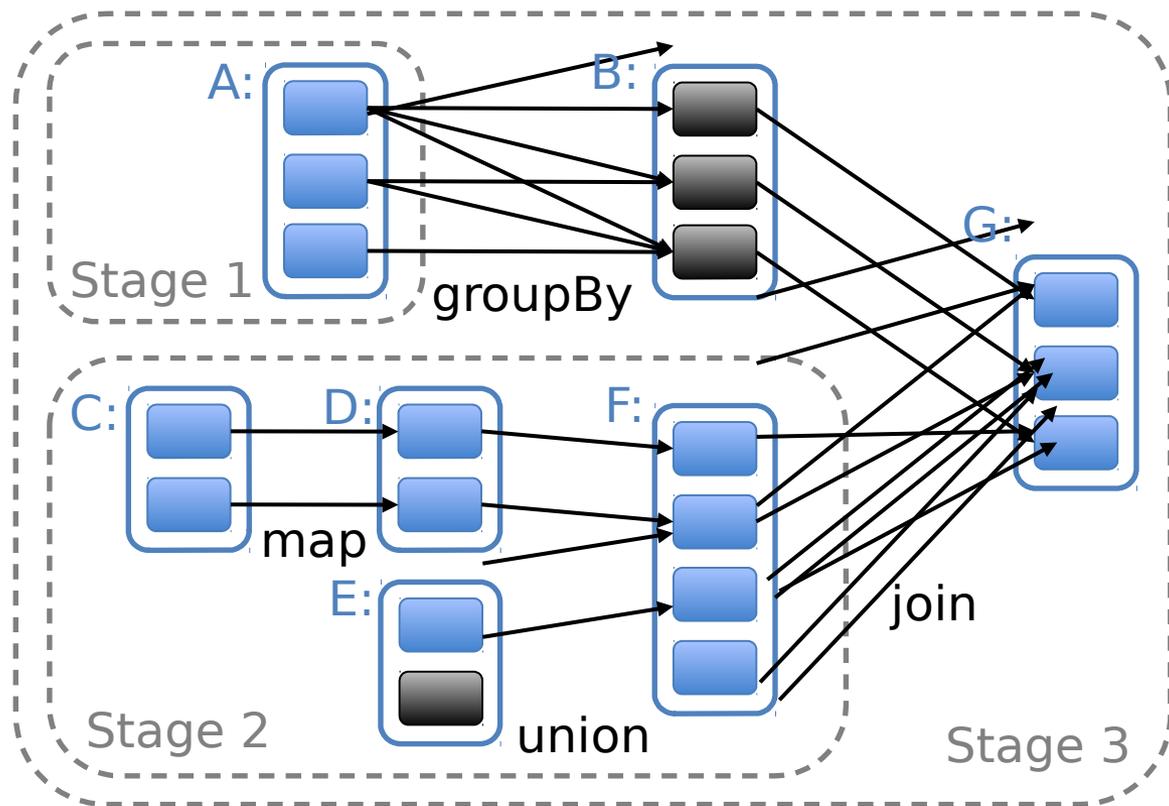
Spark Scheduler

Dryad-like DAGs

Pipelines functions within a stage

Cache-aware work reuse & locality

Partitioning-aware to avoid shuffles



■ = cached data partition

Interactive Spark

Modified Scala interpreter to allow Spark to be used interactively from the command line

Required two changes:

- » Modified wrapper code generation so that each line typed has references to objects for its dependencies
- » Distribute generated classes over the network

Related Work

DryadLINQ, FlumeJava

- » Similar “distributed collection” API, but cannot reuse datasets efficiently *across* queries

Relational databases

- » Lineage/provenance, logical logging, materialized views

GraphLab, Piccolo, BigTable, RAMCloud

- » Fine-grained writes similar to distributed shared memory

Iterative MapReduce (e.g. Twister, HaLoop)

- » Implicit data sharing for a fixed computation pattern

Caching systems (e.g. Nectar)

- » Store data in files, no explicit control over what is cached

Behavior with Not Enough RAM

