## Caching for Data Analysis

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Data processing is growing very fast compared to the hardware acceleration.

- 1. Volume
- 2. Complexity



### Spark RDDs

Spark uses Resilient Distributed Datasets (RDDs) as a core structure.



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<u>mapRDD</u> Input RDD(s): flatMapRDD Operation: map Execute operation





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["Hello","World", "Hello", "Ithaca"]

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[("Hello",1),("World",1), ("Hello",1),("Ithaca",1)]

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{"Hello":2,"World":1,
"Ithaca":1}

### Dataflow - Logical Plan (Operations)



### Dataflow - Execution Plan (Tasks)



## Why caching in Spark is essential?



- 1. Cache intermediate results
- 2. Avoid re-execution of operations.
- 3. Save mostly CPUcycles instead of I/O.

### Multiple choices for of caching

- NONE (Default)
- > MEMORY\_ONLY
- > MEMORY\_ONLY\_SER
- > MEMORY\_AND\_DISK
- > MEMORY\_AND\_DISK\_SER
- > DISK\_ONLY

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### User decides what to cache in Spark

Users have to define what they want to cache by using *cache()* or *persist()* keywords after RDD.

- Static analysis for what to cache is harder than traditional cases. Instead of caching only initial data, Spark has the ability to cache intermediate results, too.
- 2. Multiple choices about where to cache complicate things (Memory, SSD, Disk, etc.).
- 3. Caching might lead to worse results than simply re-executing (especially with SSD, Disks, Serialization).

## **Eviction Policy**

- Spark uses LRU for default eviction policy. Unlike selection about what to cache, eviction is automatic.
- However, classic eviction policies do not exploit structure of the graph.

## Why LRU is not so good?



# Experimental Study on Spark Bench (15 jobs) Empirical CDF



### LRC: Dependency-Aware Cache Management for Data Analytics Clusters

Yinghao Yu, Wei Wang, Jun Zhang, Khaled Ben Letaief

#### **Definition** (*Reference Count*):

For each data block *b*, the reference count is define as the number of child blocks that are derived from *b*, but have not yet been computed.

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> Unused blocks with zero active references are evicted.

> Reference count is a better indicator for caching.



### Solution - Architecture



### Problem - Is this enough?



### **Problem - Peer Dependencies**



- If results of A<sub>i</sub> are not cached, then B<sub>i</sub> results should not be cached and vice-versa.
- Latency will remain the same if A<sub>i</sub> and B<sub>i</sub> results have similar size even if we cache one of them (the other is going to be the bottleneck.

### **Definition** (*Effective Reference Count*):

Let block *b* be referenced by task *t*. We say this reference is effective if task *t*'s dependent blocks, if computed, are all cached in memory.

### Solution - LERC



## **Experiments - Platform and Setting**

### > Amazon EC2

- Cluster with 20 nodes of type m4.large
  - > 2.4 GHz Intel Xeon E5-2676 v3 (Haswell) processor
  - > 8 GB memory
- Zip application
  - > 10 different independent jobs
  - > 100 A blocks and 100 B blocks that are zipped together
  - ➢ 8 GB total size

### **Experiments - Performance**



### Experiments - Overall Cache Hit



### **Experiments - Effective Cache Hit**



## Temporal Caching [Work in Progress]

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#### **Time-Series Data**

- > Timestamped Data
  - Large amount
  - > High frequency
- > Temporal Queries
  - Sophisticated queries (ML, Optimization)
  - > Can be divided to:
    - Fixed Temporal Queries
    - Sliding Temporal Queries



# Example - NYC taxi data

# Fixed Temporal Query -Example





#### **Fixed Temporal Query - Explanation**



#### Fixed Temporal Query - Explanation



#### Sliding Temporal Query - Example





[IEEE TIST, 2015, Wang]

#### **Sliding Temporal Query - Explanation**



#### Sliding Temporal Query - Explanation



#### **ARIMA for Time-Series Data**

$$\hat{y}_{t} = \mu + \phi_{1} y_{t-1} + ... + \phi_{p} y_{t-p} - \theta_{1} e_{t-1} - ... - \theta_{q} e_{t-q}$$

- Generic model for making predictions for time-series data.
- Trip Estimation application we saw before uses ARIMA to make the prediction. To date, it is one of the most accurate approaches for this type of prediction.
- ARIMA predictions make by construction sliding temporal queries to the underlying data.

#### **Temporal Caching**

- Claim : Traditional cache eviction techniques (LRU,LFU) are unable to capture the nature of Sliding Temporal Queries.
- > Question : Can we devise better cache eviction policies for Sliding Temporal Queries?



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#### LFU - Sliding Temporal Queries



We calculate:  $rr(rid, wt) = \frac{rc(rid, wt)}{nrQueries}$ 

We normalize:

nrr(rid, wt) =rr(rid, wt) $\overline{max_{rid', wt'} \{rr(rid', wt')\}}$ 

- > Pin current time as a constant time point (no shift).
- Sliding temporal queries will access data that is identified by constant time now. For our previous example we would access data at time:

Current Time - 1 Week

no matter when we make the query.

Effectively, sliding temporal queries look like fixed queries for the relative timeline now.



















#### LFU on Relative Timeline -Sliding Temporal Queries



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#### Evaluation



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#### Future Work-Dataflow Cache for Time-Series Data.



#### Questions