Complex Data Analytics in the Cloud

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Goals and expectation for this overview

Goal: the big picture of big data landscape and frameworks

Big data project manager:
Which technologies should I use for components of big data?

Computer/Data Scientist:
Which is the most suitable software stack that I should use?

Human Resource Manager: who should I hire for the big data work?

Infrastructure manager:
which kind of virtual infrastructures and technologies should I invest?

New Product developer:
Is any chance to develop a new kind of applications based on existing data?
Content

- What does it mean big data?
- Why do you have to care?
- What do we need to do in order to build “big data solutions” and what are the key services engineering issues?
- Which techniques can we use for building elastic infrastructures, handling communications and messaging, managing data, and processing data?
- Put things together
Big Data

Data: facts, responses, events, measurement, etc.

{"station_id":"1160629000","datapoint_id":122,"alarm_id":310,"event_time":"2016-09-17T02:05:54.000Z","isActive":false,"value":6,"valueThreshold":10}

What does it mean “Big data”?

NYC Taxi Data

The official TLC trip record dataset contains data for over 1.1 billion taxi trips from January 2009 through June 2015, covering both yellow and green taxis. Each individual trip record contains precise location coordinates for where the trip started and ended, timestamps for when the trip started and ended, plus a few other variables including fare amount, payment method, and distance traveled.

Open Big Data / Telecommunications - SMS, Call, Internet - MI

Schema

1. Square Id: the id of the square that is part of the Milano Grid. TYPE: numeric
2. Time Interval: the beginning of the time interval expressed as the number of milliseconds elapsed from the Unix Epoch on January 1st, 1970 at UTC. The end of the time interval can be obtained by adding 60000 milliseconds (10 minutes) to this value. TYPE: numeric
3. Country code: the phone country code of a nation. Depending on the measured activity this value assumes different meanings that are explained later. TYPE: numeric
4. SMS-in activity: the activity in terms of received SMS inside the Square Id, during the Time Interval and sent from the nation identified by the Country code. TYPE: numeric
5. SMS-out activity: the activity in terms of sent SMS inside the Square Id, during the Time Interval and received by the nation identified by the Country code. TYPE: numeric
6. Call-in activity: the activity in terms of received calls inside the Square Id, during the Time Interval and issued from the nation identified by the Country code. TYPE: numeric
7. Call-out activity: the activity in terms of issued calls inside the Square id, during the Time Interval and received by the nation identified by the Country code. TYPE: numeric
8. Internet traffic activity: the activity in terms of performed internet traffic inside the Square Id, during the Time Interval and by the nation of the users performing the connection identified by the Country code. TYPE: numeric
Is it big?

THE DATA OPPORTUNITY IS EXPLODING
1,013,542,233,932,178,414,371 BYTES

ESTIMATED SIZE OF TODAY'S DATA

HORTONWORKS SOLUTIONS ENABLE ORGANIZATIONS TO MAXIMIZE THE POWER OF OPEN SOURCE TO DELIVER ON THE PROMISE OF BIG DATA.

LEARN MORE

Screenshot from https://hortonworks.com/
Why do we have big data now?

- Social media
  - data generated by human activities in the Internet
  - Facebook, Twitter, Google+, etc.
- Internet of Things (IoT)/Machine-to-Machine (M2M)
  - data generated through monitoring devices and environments
  - data generated through machines
- Advanced sciences
  - data generated by advanced instruments
  - earth observation (e.g., Sentinel satellites)
- Personal information (e.g., healthcare)
- Open and transparent government
  - open government data
- Etc.
Asset and Store Management

- **Asset Management**
  - Data about cars, homes, etc.
  - Monitoring + analytics about them

- **In-store management**
  - Movement of goods/products based smart labels
  - Movement of shoppers (e.g., based on shopping baskets or trolley movement)
  - Time spent at different good shelves/product sections and queues

- **Cross-store management**
  - Global inventory and data about customer buying behaviors
Characterize big data

- Big data is often characterized by the concepts of V*: Volume, Variety, Velocity, Veracity and Valence
  - Volume: size (big size, large-data set, massive of small data)
  - Variety: complexity (formats, types of data)
  - Velocity: speed (generating speed, data movement speed)
  - Veracity: quality is very different (bias, accuracy, etc.)
  - Valence: “chemical” relationships among different types of data (w.r.t data combination)
Why do we need to care?

- Because of the values of data!
- Top-down: Data economy.
  - More data → more evidence → more business success
- Bottom-up
  - Optimizing what we have
- The Unreasonable Effectiveness of Data” (Alon Halevy, Peter Norvig, and Fernando Pereira) → with more data, the same algorithm performs much more better!


Figure source: McKinsey Global Institute: THE INTERNET OF THINGS: MAPPING THE VALUE BEYOND THE HYPE JUNE 2015 HIGHLIGHTS
BIG DATA AND DATA SCIENCE
Key components in big data

1. Engineering and operating software and data systems
2. Conducting data science tasks
3. Making sense of data analytics results
Key activities in data science

- Exploring and preparing data (business + technical people)
- Representing, modeling and transforming data (technical people)
- Analyzing data (technical people + domain expert + business people)
- Visualizing and presenting (resulting) data (technical/domain/business people)


So I can just learn databases and data mining?

Wrong! you need others: computing systems, domain knowledge, etc

You need to work with an ecosystem of databases and tools
Quantity aspects in big data

A lot of data sources

A few platforms

A lot of algorithms and processes

A lot of applications
THINGS ARE TOO COMPLICATED! SO WHAT WOULD BE SUITABLE SERVICE ENGINEERING APPROACHES?
“Big ETL”: Extract, Transform and Load

- Traditional ETL: read data from databases (E), convert data, e.g., using rules (T), and write data to target databases (L)

- Big data ETL
  - **Big E**: read data from various sources, not just databases but also logs, instruments, middleware, etc., through various protocols
    - Different formats and both data in motion and data at rest
  - **Big T**: various rules and services to perform transformations, complex processes for transforming data, batch and realtime data transformation
  - **Big L**: various types of target sinks (databases, middleware, services, etc.) using various protocols
Interaction: protocols & interfaces

- Large number of communication protocols and interfaces
- Interaction styles, protocols and interfaces
  - REST, RPC, Message Passing, Stream-oriented Communication, Distributed Object models, Component-based Models
  - Your own protocols
- Other criteria
  - Architectural constraints
  - Scalability, Performance, Adaptability, Monitoring, Logging, etc.
Polyglot programming is important for big data

- We need multiple programming languages
- In big data software ecosystems
  - Java
  - Python
  - R
  - Scala
  - NodeJS
- Well supported by industries and powerful open source frameworks

Source:
http://spectrum.ieee.org/computing/software/the-2016-top-programming-languages
Python for data science/big data analytics

- www.python.org
- Most big data platforms support Python APIs for accessing services and infrastructures
- Several data analytics can be written in python: Natural Language Processing (e.g., for sentiment analytics), Recommandation (e.g., buy a product)
- Several libraries for python
  - NumPy – numeric python http://www.numpy.org/
  - StatsModels http://statsmodels.sourceforge.net/
  - ML http://mlpy.sourceforge.net/
  - Python Data Analysis Library: http://pandas.pydata.org/
- Many machine learning/Deep learning
  - Tensor (google): https://www.tensorflow.org/
  - Theano: http://deeplearning.net/software/theano/
- Workflow in Python (e.g., Airflow)
Concurrent and Parallel Programming models

- Why are they important?
  - Faster, faster and faster!
  - Embarrassingly parallel workload/pattern is one of the most popular ones for big data analytics
    - Independent parallel data processing jobs

- Implementation
  - Programming languages + programming models + job management

- Examples of models and tools
  - MapReduce, Dataflow/Workflow, MPI, AKKA
The big problem

[Diagram showing cloud gateways, queues, topics, compute nodes, storage nodes, and ingest clients.]

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Big data at large-scale

Data sources (sensors, files, database, queues, log services)

Messaging systems (e.g., Kafka, AMQP, MQTT)

Storage and Database (S3, HDFS, Cassandra, MongoDB, Elastic Search etc.)

Stream processing systems (e.g. Esper, Flink, Storm, S4, Google Dataflow)

Batch data processing systems (e.g., Hadoop, Airflow, Spark)

Operation/Management/Business Services

Warehouse Analytics

Elastic Cloud Infrastructures (VMs, dockers, OpenStack elastic resource management tools, storage)
WHICH KIND OF INFRASTRUCTURES DO I NEED?
Understanding resource management

- Resources:
  - Provide data, computing, and network function capabilities
  - Within a data center and across multiple data centers

- Tasks/Jobs:
  - Functions: transferring data, monitoring collecting
  - Lifetime: short versus long
  - Mode: batch versus continuous running
  - System or application jobs

- Big data analytics require multiple types of resources for running diverse types of jobs
- Big infrastructures for big data analytics need to manage jobs and resources
TO BUILD BIG INFRASTRUCTURES YOU NEED VIRTUALIZATION AND ELASTICITY
HOW CAN I DEAL WITH A LOT OF MESSAGES?
Some key issues

- Data exchange:
  - a lot of streaming data (events/monitoring data), many log files to be handled, short messages (but a lot) for controls and notifications
- Transport protocols & Message format/syntax and message semantics (applications/systems specific)
- Places: within infrastructures and between the producer and the consumer
- Some important guarantees
  - Reliability: message loss and duplication
  - Interoperability: interoperable format and processing
  - Performance: high processing rates, low latency, etc.
WHICH DATA MODELS SHOULD I USE?
Data lakes

- A lake of data
  - Ingest and integrate as many as possible types of data
  - To archive a lot of data so that potentially many analytics and applications can access

→ Data take is a concept so you can implement it based on your requirements and needs
Can we build a data lake using the concept of “data space”

Source: http://www.gigaspaces.com/logistics-and-shipping-management
Data access APIs can be built based on well-defined interfaces
Help to bring the data object close to the programming language objects
BUT HOW CAN I INGEST A LOT OF DATA INTO MY BIG DATA INFRASTRUCTURES?
Arvo

- https://avro.apache.org/
- Support message description
- Serialize and deserialize libraries
- Work with different languages
Some other techniques

- **Protobuf**
  - From Google
  - [https://github.com/google/protobuf](https://github.com/google/protobuf)
  - Language-neutral, platform-neutral mechanism for serializing/deserializing structured data

- **Thrift**
  - [https://thrift.apache.org](https://thrift.apache.org)
  - Support also serializing and deserializing data
  - Support cross-language services development
    - Specify services interfaces
    - Data exchange
    - Code generation
Logstash

- Codecs: stream filters within inputs or outputs that change data representation
- E.g.: multilines → a single event

Streamsets

- https://streamsets.com
- Using data pipeline to filter, aggregate, etc.
- Apply to data in motion
  - Support „at least once and „at most once“ data delivery guarantees
  - Interface to various data sources and sinks (Cassandra, Hadoop, Elastic Search, ...)

Source: https://streamsets.com
HOW CAN I DO DATA PROCESSING?
Hadoop ecosystem

- Built around Mapreduce programming models and Hadoop software ecosystems
- From “The Forrester Wave™: Big Data Hadoop Distributions, Q1 2016”: Top Hadoop solution providers are Cloudera, Hortonworks, IBM, MapR Technologies, and Pivotal Software

Spark ecosystem

Programming with Java, Scala, Python, R

We can have a separate modules

Figure source: https://databricks.com/spark/about
ELK Stack

- Building using elastic components: Elasticsearch, Elasticsearch Hadoop, Kibana, and Logstash
- https://www.elastic.co/

TICK Stack

- Main services from Influx
  - https://www.influxdata.com
- Focus on time series data
- Features:
  - Collect
  - Storage
  - Visualize
  - ETL
Pipeline/Workflow

- We often need complex workflow for data analytics
  - Invoke different activities executed by different frameworks/services

  E.g.
  - AirBnB: [https://medium.com/airbnb-engineering/airflow-a-workflow-management-platform-46318b977fd8](https://medium.com/airbnb-engineering/airflow-a-workflow-management-platform-46318b977fd8)
  - Facebook: [https://research.fb.com/publications/sve-distributed-video-processing-at-facebook-scale/](https://research.fb.com/publications/sve-distributed-video-processing-at-facebook-scale/)
  - Microsoft ML: [https://studio.azureml.net/](https://studio.azureml.net/)
  - Google: [https://cloudacademy.com/blog/google-prediction-api/](https://cloudacademy.com/blog/google-prediction-api/)
Centralized versus distributed processing topology

Two views: **streams of events or cloud of events**

- **Complex Event Processing** (centralized processing)
- **Streaming Data Processing** (distributed processing)

- Usually only queries/patterns are written
- Code processing events and topologies need to be written

Event cloud

Processing

node node node

Processing

node

Processing

node

Processing

node
Frameworks

- Apache Storm
- Apache Spark
  - Streaming processing but using micro-batching
- Apache Apex
- Apache Flink
- Apache Kafka Streaming & Streaming SQL
- etc.
Your next assignment

1. Choose a big data analytics problem/application domain
   • (Industry 4.0/Cloud Manufacturing, IoT for Retail, IoT for Healthcare)

2. Discuss software ecosystem and pipelines
   • Processing frameworks, infrastructures
   • From collection to analytics pipelines
   • Machine learning pipelines

3. Demonstrate with small design and implementation
   • How easy to glue data, services, processes, etc. together
   • Coupling services for big data analytics
   • Algorithms + frameworks
Thanks for your attention

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