HIVE

Distributing SQL queries with Hadoop



Translates SQL queries to MapReduce or Tez jobs on your cluster!

Why Hive?

- Uses familiar SQL syntax (HiveQL)
- Interactive
- Scalable works with "big data" on a cluster
 - Really most appropriate for data warehouse applications
- Easy OLAP queries WAY easier than writing MapReduce in Java
- Highly optimized
- Highly extensible
 - User defined functions
 - Thrift server
 - JDBC / ODBC driver



Why not Hive?

- High latency not appropriate for OLTP
- Stores data de-normalized
- SQL is limited in what it can do
 - Pig, Spark allows more complex stuff
- No transactions
- No record-level updates, inserts, deletes

HiveQL

- Pretty much MySQL with some extensions
- For example: views
 - Can store results of a query into a "view", which subsequent queries can use as a table
- Allows you to specify how structured data is stored and partitioned

Let's just dive into an example.



HOW HIVE WORKS

Schema On Read

Hive maintains a "metastore" that imparts a structure you define on the unstructured data that is stored on HDFS etc.

> CREATE TABLE ratings (userID INT, movieID INT, rating INT, time INT) ROW FORMAT DELIMTED FIELDS TERMINATED BY '\t' STORED AS TEXTFILE;

LOAD DATA LOCAL INPATH `\${env:HOME}/ml-100k/u.data' OVERWRITE INTO TABLE ratings;

Where is the data?

- LOAD DATA
 - MOVES data from a distributed filesystem into Hive
- LOAD DATA LOCAL
 - COPIES data from your local filesystem into Hive
- Managed vs. External tables

```
CREATE EXTERNAL TABLE IF NOT EXISTS ratings (

userID INT,

movieID INT,

rating INT,

time INT)

ROW FORMAT DELIMITED FIELDS TERMINATED BY '\t'

LOCATION '/data/ml-100k/u.data';
```

Partitioning

• You can store your data in partitioned subdirectories

- Huge optimization if your queries are only on certain partitions

```
CREATE TABLE customers (

name STRING,

address STRUCT<street:STRING, city:STRING, state:STRING, zip:INT>

)

PARTITIONED BY (country STRING);
```

.../customers/country=CA/ .../customers/country=GB/

Ways to use Hive

- Interactive via hive> prompt / Command line interface (CLI)
- Saved query files
 - hive -f /somepath/queries.hql
- Through Ambari / Hue
- Through JDBC/ODBC server
- Through Thrift service
 - But remember, Hive is not suitable for OLTP
- Via Oozie



HIVE CHALLENGE

Find the movie with the highest average rating

■ Hint: AVG() can be used on aggregated data, like COUNT() does.

Extra credit: only consider movies with more than 10 ratings

