

Large Scale Graph Processing - GraphX, Giraph++, and Pegasus

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Where Are We?

















Graph Algorithms Challenges

- Difficult to extract parallelism based on partitioning of the data.
- Difficult to express parallelism based on partitioning of computation.



Different Approached to Process Large Scale Graphs

- ► Think like a vertex
- ► Think like an edge
- ► Think like a table
- ► Think like a graph
- Think like a matrix



Think Like a Table



Graph-Parallel Processing Model





Data-Parallel vs. Graph-Parallel Computation





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- The same restrictions make it difficult and inefficient to express many stages in a typical graph-analytics pipeline.





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Think Like a Table

- Unifies data-parallel and graph-parallel systems.
- ► Tables and Graphs are composable views of the same physical data.





GraphX



- GraphX is the library to perform graph-parallel processing in Spark.
- ► In-memory caching.
- Lineage-based fault tolerance.





The Property Graph Data Model

- Spark represent graph structured data as a property graph.
- ▶ It is logically represented as a pair of vertex and edge property collections.
 - VertexRDD and EdgeRDD





The Vertex Collection

▶ VertexRDD: contains the vertex properties keyed by the vertex ID.

```
class Graph[VD, ED] {
  val vertices: VertexRDD[VD]
  val edges: EdgeRDD[ED]
}
// VD: the type of the vertex attribute
abstract class VertexRDD[VD] extends RDD[(VertexId, VD)]
```







The Edge Collection

EdgeRDD: contains the edge properties keyed by the source and destination vertex IDs.









The Triplet Collection

- The triplets collection consists of each edge and its corresponding source and destination vertex properties.
- ► It logically joins the vertex and edge properties: RDD[EdgeTriplet[VD, ED]].
- The EdgeTriplet class extends the Edge class by adding the srcAttr and dstAttr members, which contain the source and destination properties respectively.





Building a Property Graph



```
val users: RDD[(VertexId, (String, String))] = sc.parallelize(Array((3L, ("rxin", "student")),
  (7L, ("jgonzal", "postdoc")), (5L, ("franklin", "prof")), (2L, ("istoica", "prof"))))
val relationships: RDD[Edge[String]] = sc.parallelize(Array(Edge(3L, 7L, "collab"),
  Edge(5L, 3L, "advisor"), Edge(2L, 5L, "colleague"), Edge(5L, 7L, "pi"), Edge(5L, 1L, "-")))
val defaultUser = ("John Doe", "Missing")
val graph: Graph[(String, String), String] = Graph(users, relationships, defaultUser)
```



- Information about the graph
- Property operators
- Structural operators
- Joins
- Aggregation
- Iterative computation
- ▶ ...



Information About The Graph (1/2)

Information about the graph

```
val numEdges: Long
val numVertices: Long
val inDegrees: VertexRDD[Int]
val outDegrees: VertexRDD[Int]
val degrees: VertexRDD[Int]
```

Views of the graph as collections

```
val vertices: VertexRDD[VD]
val edges: EdgeRDD[ED]
val triplets: RDD[EdgeTriplet[VD, ED]]
```



Information About The Graph (2/2)



```
// Constructed from above
val graph: Graph[(String, String), String]
// Count all users which are postdocs
graph.vertices.filter { case (id, (name, pos)) => pos == "postdoc" }.count
// Count all the edges where src > dst
graph.edges.filter(e => e.srcId > e.dstId).count
```



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val newGraph = graph.mapTriplets(triplet =>
    triplet.srcAttr._1 + " is the " + triplet.attr + " of " + triplet.dstAttr._1)
newGraph.edges.collect.foreach(println)
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Structural Operators

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val rdd: RDD[(VertexId, String)] = sc.parallelize(Array((3L, "phd")))
val joinedGraph = graph.joinVertices(rdd)((id, user, role) => (user._1, role + " " + user._2))
joinedGraph.vertices.collect.foreach(println)
```



Aggregation (1/2)

aggregateMessages applies a user defined sendMsg function to each edge triplet in the graph and then uses the mergeMsg function to aggregate those messages at their destination vertex.

```
def aggregateMessages[Msg: ClassTag](
  sendMsg: EdgeContext[VD, ED, Msg] => Unit, // map
  mergeMsg: (Msg, Msg) => Msg, // reduce
  tripletFields: TripletFields = TripletFields.All):
  VertexRDD[Msg]
```



Aggregation (2/2)

```
// count and list the name of friends of each user
val profs: VertexRDD[(Int, String)] = validUserGraph.aggregateMessages[(Int, String)](
    // map
    triplet => {
        triplet.sendToDst((1, triplet.srcAttr._1))
      },
      // reduce
      (a, b) => (a._1 + b._1, a._2 + " " + b._2)
)
profs.collect.foreach(println)
```



Iterative Computation (1/9)





Iterative Computation (2/9)

```
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for each message m
    if m > val then val := m
if i_val == val then
    vote_to_halt
else
    for each neighbor v
        send_message(v, val)
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Super step 0


Iterative Computation (3/9)







Iterative Computation (4/9)







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- ► The second list contains the user defined functions.
 - Gather: mergeMsg, Apply: vprog, Scatter: sendMsg

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Iterative Computation (7/9)

```
import org.apache.spark._
import org.apache.spark.graphx._
import org.apache.spark.rdd.RDD
val initialMsg = -9999
val vertices: RDD[(VertexId, (Int, Int))] = sc.parallelize(Array((1L, (1, -1)),
(2L, (2, -1)), (3L, (3, -1)), (6L, (6, -1))))
val relationships: RDD[Edge[Boolean]] = sc.parallelize(Array(Edge(1L, 2L, true),
Edge(2L, 1L, true), Edge(2L, 6L, true), Edge(3L, 6L, true), Edge(6L, 1L, true),
Edge(6L, 3L, true)))
```

val graph = Graph(vertices, relationships)





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```
// Scatter: the function for computing messages
def sendMsg(triplet: EdgeTriplet[(Int, Int), Boolean]): Iterator[(VertexId, Int)] = {
  val sourceVertex = triplet.srcAttr
  if (sourceVertex._1 == sourceVertex._2)
    Iterator.empty
  else
    Iterator((triplet.dstId, sourceVertex._1))
}
```



Iterative Computation (9/9)



- GraphFrames extends GraphX to provide a DataFrame API.
- ► To build a GraphFrame we need to define the vertices and edges as DataFrames.
- spark-shell --packages graphframes:graphframes:0.6.0-spark2.3-s_2.11
 - You may need to delete .ivy2 from your home folder.



Querying the GraphFrames

```
import org.graphframes._
import org.apache.spark.sql.SQLContext
val sqlContext = new org.apache.spark.sql.SQLContext(sc)
val userDF = sqlContext.createDataFrame(Array(("rxin", "student"), ("jgonzal", "postdoc"),
  ("franklin", "prof"), ("istoica", "prof"))).toDF("id", "role")
val relationshipsDF = sqlContext.createDataFrame(Array(("rxin", "jgonzal", "collab"),
  ("franklin", "rxin", "advisor"), ("istoica", "franklin", "colleague"),
  ("franklin", "franklin", "pi"))).toDF("src", "dst", "relationship")
val graphDF = GraphFrame(userDF, relationshipsDF)
graphDF.edges.where("src = 'franklin'").groupBy("src", "dst").count().show
```



Graph Representation

- Vertex-cut partitioning
- ► Representing graphs using two RDDs: edge-collection and vertex-collection
- Routing table: a logical map from a vertex id to the set of edge partitions that contains adjacent edges.





Think Like a Graph



Motivation (1/2)

- ► Vertex-centric programming model.
 - Operate on a vertex and its edges.
 - Communication to other vertices, via message passing (Pregel), or shared memory (GraphLab).
- Divide input graphs into partitions.





Motivation (2/2)

- ► In the vertex-centric model, a vertex is very short sighted.
 - A vertex has information about its immediate neighbors.
 - Information is propagated through graphs slowly, one hop at a time.
- Graph-centric programming paradigm is proposed to overcome this limitation.



Think Like a Graph

	Think Like a Vertex	Think Like a Graph
Partition	A collection of vertices	A proper subgraph
Computaion	A vertex and its edges	A subgraph
Communication	1-hop at a time, e.g., $\mathtt{A} ightarrow \mathtt{B} ightarrow \mathtt{D}$	Multiple-hops at a time, e.g., $\mathtt{A} ightarrow \mathtt{D}$





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- ► A vertex is an internal vertex in exactly one subgraph, but it can be a boundary vertex in zero or more subgraphs.





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- A boundary vertex does not have any state.



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- ► This is called hybrid execution model.



Think Like a Matrix



Graphs and Matrices (1/2)

- A graph can be represented by an adjacency matrix.
- Operations on graphs can be performed by algebraic operations on matrices.
- ► Linear algebra and matrix theory can be applied to solve graph problems.



Graphs and Matrices (2/2)

- Given a graph G = (V, E)
- Adjacency matrix A(G), a $|V| \times |V|$ matrix

$$A[i][j] = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i \neq j \text{ and } (v_i, v_j) \in E \\ 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \text{ and } (v_i, v_j) \notin E \\ 0 & \text{if } i = j \end{cases}$$



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- By computing $\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{x}_{\mathbf{v}_i}$
 - $\boldsymbol{x}_{v_i}[\mathtt{i}] = 1$ and all other elements of \boldsymbol{x}_{v_i} are 0.
- ▶ For example, to find the neighbors of vertex b

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$





Pegasus



Generalized Iterated Matrix-Vector (GIM-V)

- ► Targets at iterative graph algorithms.
- ► Generalized Iterated Matrix-Vector multiplication (GIM-V)
 - Matrix-vector multiplication
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- ► Pegasus models each iteration of the graph computation by a GIM-V operation
 - It is repeated until the vertex values in the vector converge.


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- ▶ assign: to overwrite the old value of v_i with the new value.



GIM-V Example: PageRank (1/3)





GIM-V Example: PageRank (2/3)

- ▶ PageRank formula: $\mathbf{v} \leftarrow (0.85\mathbf{E}^{\mathrm{T}} + 0.15\mathbf{U}) \cdot \mathbf{v}$.
 - **v** is a column vector with n elements.
 - E is a is the row-normalized adjacency matrix.
 - **U** is a $n \times n$ matrix, with all elements set to $\frac{1}{n}$.



$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{E} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1/3 & 1/3 & 1/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1/2 & 0 & 0 & 1/2 \\ 1/2 & 0 & 1/2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{U} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/4 & 1/4 & 1/4 & 1/4 \\ 1/4 & 1/4 & 1/4 & 1/4 \\ 1/4 & 1/4 & 1/4 & 1/4 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{v}_{\texttt{init}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/4 \\ 1/4 \\ 1/4 \\ 1/4 \\ 1/4 \end{bmatrix}$$

▶ If $M = 0.85 \mathbf{E}^{T} + 0.15 \mathbf{U}$, then we can write the PageRank as $\mathbf{v} \leftarrow \mathbf{M} \cdot \mathbf{v}$.



GIM-V Example: PageRank (3/3)

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- combine2(i, j) = $0.85 \times m_{i,j} \times v_j$
- combineAll(i) = $\frac{0.15}{n} + \sum_{j=1}^{n} \text{combine2}(i, j)$
- assign: $v_i \leftarrow combineAll(i)$



Summary





- Think like a table
 - Graphx: unifies data-parallel and graph-parallel systems.
- ► Think like a graph
 - Giraph++: exposes subgraphs to programmers
- Think like a matrix
 - Pegasus: linear algebra and matrix theory to solve graph problems.



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Questions?