An Enhanced Approach Of RDF Graph Data In-Memory Processing For Social Networks With Performance Analysis

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Abstract—

Ever-growing linked open data proliferate in size and number giving rise to "Big data problems". Consequently, there is a rapid increase inf semantic data and services. It is significant to handle and provide more solutions to very large semantic data graphs are very significant. As the MapReduce algorithms are iterative and less effective, there is a need to go for in-memory processing. Ain of this paper is providing an enhanced RDF graph data processing approach with improved performance includes representation of RDF as a Directed labeled Multigraph, convert that RDF Graph as property Graph to have modeling workarounds (intermediate nodes), Reification and Singleton Property. Build this initial graph in high- performance analytic system SPARK with Graph X library using SCALA language to provide higher-order functions. So that functions and data structures can be stored in distributed memory and use SPARQL for query processing. The objective is of this paper is to propose an enhanced RDF Graph in-memory processing method that quickens the accessing of RDF Graph data, improves response times, and reduces the execution of time of RDF Graph data processing of this Social Network data.

Keywords— Large Linked Open Data; In-memory processing; RDF; MapReduce; Spark; Graph X; Scala.

I. INTRODUCTION

The Web 3.0 otherwise called the Semantic Web is introduced by Tim Berners-Lee, is the extension of the World Wide Web through standards established by the World Wide Web Consortium. This World Wide Web has progressed to support data sharing and reuse "across applications, initiatives, and community boundaries. Some of the basic building blocks of the Semantic web include Resource Description Framework (RDF), RDFS, the Web Ontology Language (OWL), and SPARQL. It has many challenges such as massiveness, indistinctness, ambiguity, inconsistency, and deceit. Automated reasoning systems should handle all these problems [1]. Query processing should be addressed proficiently with highly accessible, scalable, and fault-

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tolerant frameworks. Usually, the data management systems requiring these properties are designed not from scratch but built on top of the prevailing cluster computing engine.

II. BACKGROUND

Resource Description Framework (RDF) is the key-tech for developing semantic web. In Graph database modes data is represented as directed labeled multi-graph. Theoretically, in the same way, the data encoded using RDF also can be represented. In RDF Graph, resources (IRIs), blank nodes, and literals can be represented as Vertices and edges from RDF triples. In other words, Subjects and Objects can be represented as nodes and Predicates as Edges. The edge's label is an IRI which is the predicate of the triple. RDF graph differs slightly in the case of the blank node as they have no identifiers. These RDF triples produced are used as Triple stores which are organized as graphs [1] [21].

A. SPARQL, as the Query Language

A Highly recommended query language for RDF datasets by World Wide Web Consortium is SPARQL. The following is an example of SPARQL query language:

SELECT? x,? y,? z WHERE {x a Student. y a Representative. z a Scholar. x friend y. x competes with z. y friend z

Extensive research has been conducted to optimize query engines. Sophisticated indexing approaches and graph-based storage models are developed due to the unsettled research in this area [2]. Linked Data is structured and interlinked with other data, through semantic queries they become more beneficial. It is built upon the technologies such as HTTP, RDF which serves web pages for human readers. LOD extends them to share the information which can be read by computers automatically. One of the visions of linked data is to make the Internet to be a global database [3]. Linking Open Data Heath, T et al, (2013) say "Linked Open Data (LOD) project has been initiated to provide a method of publishing a variety of structured data sets as interlinked RDF data sets". Linked open data are data that are linked and open. Tim Berners-Lee gives the perfect definition of linked open data in differentiation with linked data, "Linked Open Data (LOD) is Linked Data which is released under an open license, which does not impede its reuse for free". Large linked open data sets include DB pedia and Wikidata. LOD project incorporated 1014 interlinked RDF data sets in 2014. It spans a multitude of knowledge areas, such as geographic, government, life sciences, linguistics, media, publications, and social networking. DB pedia is one among these linked open data which is interlinked with the high number of other data sets. What was Interesting about this DB pedia is, it is an RDF representation of Wikipedia. The size of this RDF Graph in the LOD cloud is measured in tens of billions of RDF triples with lots of nodes and edges. Optimization of processing of SPARQL queries becomes indispensable as the sizer of these RDF data graphs grows significantly. There is a need for complex, hypothesis-driven [4] and

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analytics-related queries, this becomes more essential. Henceforth more effort must be devoted to distributed processing of SPARQL queries [5, 6]. Moreover, processing federated SPARQL queries on the LOD graph [6] is challenging and requires vigorous research.

B. Graph Processing Systems

Graph processing systems like Map Reduce, Dyrad, and Spark compose data-parallel operators to transform collections. They are capable of expressing a wide range of computation and applying vertex-centric logic to transform data on a graph. They achieve more efficient distributed execution by exploiting the Graph Structure. Nowadays, it is obvious that social networks, web graphs, and financial transaction networks can be expressed as a graph. However, in the case of collaborative filtering, language modeling, deep learning, and computer vision, the graph model can be enforced through modeling assumptions. The structure of a graph can be denoted as G = (V; E) which has a set of vertices (v1, v2, v3... vn) and a set of m directed edges E (e1,e2, ...en). The resultant of graphs can have billions of vertices and edges. They are often, highly sparse with complex, irregular, and often power-law structures [22]. Michele Knight (2021) states, "The property graph is a type of graph model where relationships not only are connections but also carry a name (type) and some properties" [23]. Alternatives in RDF are "Modeling workarounds (intermediate nodes), Reification [24] and Singleton Property" [25] can be well represented through Property Graphs.

C. MapReduce, as a distributed dataflow framework

Distributed data flow framework like MapReduce is one of the Cluster compute frameworks but not suited for graph analytics as many of their tasks are iterative [13]. Usually, a data model consists of typed collections, a coarse-grained data-parallel programming model composed of deterministic operators. They transform collections [12]. They also have a scheduler that breaks each job into a directed acyclic graph (DAG) of tasks and a runtime that can endure stragglers and partial cluster failures without restarting. MapReduce data model satisfies all the above characteristics [13]. This programming model depicts only two distributed dataflow operators such as Map and Reduce. Every job can have the utmost two layers in its DAG of tasks [12]. Dyrad, LINQ, Pig, and Spark are a few modern frameworks that uncover extra dataflow operators like fold and join and can execute tasks with multiple layers of dependencies [13]. They have extensive acceptance for a wide variety of data processing tasks, including ETL, SQL query processing, and iterative machine learning [12]. They are capable to scale for thousands of nodes operating on petabytes, exabytes, and zettabytes of data. Nevertheless, MapReduce (MR) is a prevalent cluster computing paradigm, it cannot be used for graph analytics because many graph analytics tasks are iterative [13].

D. Features of Apache Spark and Graph X

The remarkable features of Apache Spark and Graph x library are listed below

• Spark

Spark has several features that are particularly attractive for Graph X. The Spark storage abstraction called Resilient Distributed Datasets (RDDs) is a fault-tolerant for In-Memory Cluster Computing [10]. It enables applications to keep data in memory, which is essential for iterative

graph algorithms. RDDs allow user-defined data partitioning [10]. Spark logs the lineage of operations and offers a high-level API [8].

• Graph X

On top of Spark, Graph X is implemented [9]. It is a widely used data-parallel engine. A Spark cluster consists of a single driver node and multiple worker nodes like Hadoop MapReduce where the driver node is liable for task scheduling and dispatching and the worker nodes handle actual computation and physical data storage [11]. Joseph E. Gonzalez et. al, (2014) states Graph X accomplishes an order of magnitude performance gain over the base dataflow framework and matches the performance of specialized graph processing systems while enabling a wider range of computation[14]

E. Spark vs. MapReduce

Nevertheless, Spark also has numerous features that differentiate it from MapReduce engines which are significant to the design of Graph X [8, 10]. It has many features such as In-Memory Caching, Computation DAGs, Lineage-Based Fault Tolerance, Interactive Shell, and significance of key library Graph X in Spark [8, 14]. There is Spark's API, for working with graphs of nodes and arcs. Graph X's inventors have a whole section on RDF-related work stating "we adopt some of the core ideas from the RDF work including the triples view of graphs" [7, 11].

III.RELATED WORK

Alfredo et al., (2016) proposed a framework for BFS-Based Implementation of RDF Graph Traversals over MapReduce. However, this framework could be implemented on top of the Apache Spark analytical engine since Spark exposes an optimized in-memory computation scheme for large-scale data processing [15].

Michael et al., (2017) achieved better query times with Mantona's graph-cache retrieval as compared to retrieving queries through path traversals within a cached memory RDF-graph. Still, more experiments are needed on a large scale triple-level to achieve improved retrieval results and can be expanded to include query planning algorithms, based on dynamic programming [16].

Hubert et al., (2017) made a comprehensive study comparing four SPARQL query processing strategies for Apache Spark RDF data stores and devised a SPARQL Hybrid strategy that allows for combining P Join and Br Join. Nevertheless, the interaction between data partitioning schemes and distributed join algorithms as part of a general distributed join optimization framework can be explored deeply [17].

Ahmed et al., (2020) performed a comprehensive performance analysis of Apache Hadoop and Apache Spark for Large Scale Data Sets Using Hi Bench. Yet more parameters can be added in the workloads under resource utilization and parallelization, to analyze the job performance of MapReduce and Spark when several parameter configurations replace the default values [18].

Naacke et al., (2016) suggested techniques for processing SPARQL queries over a large RDF graph in a distributed environment. However, this work can be extended by handling SPARQL queries over linked open data (LOD). Moreover, this work motivates to revisit the classical problem of multi-query optimization for distributed RDF graphs [19, 20].

Peng Peng et al., (2016) proposed techniques for processing SPARQL queries over a large RDF graph in a distributed environment. The current work can be extended by handling SPARQL queries over linked open data where interconnected RDF repositories can be treated as a virtually integrated distributed database. Furthermore observation stimulates us to go back to the classical problem of multi-query optimization in the perspective of distributed RDF graphs [6].

Georgios et al., (2016) presented a framework for retrieving, analyzing, and storing medical information as a multilayer graph, an intellectual format suitable for data fusion a. This can be enhanced by comprising medical multilingual information retrieval and advanced text semantic analysis which can locate specific points of interest or data for such a user and even selectively translate part of the retrieved documents [26].

Dong Wang et al., (2017) developed a set of graph-based RDF data management systems which follow the approach of g Store, gStore-D and g Answer which are designed to support efficient SPARQL query evaluation in a centralized and distributed/parallel environments Instead of join processing, graph exploration can be used to boost the system's performance [27].

Ahmed et al, (2020) present the empirical performance analysis between Hadoop and Spark based on a large scale dataset with fewer workloads. Nevertheless, they did not investigate with remaining workloads with more parameters, as well they did not work on semantic data [28].

IV. **PROPOSED WORK**

The previous work of representing RDF as the graph for University data from DB pedia has been explained theoretically without experimental proof by M. Baby Nirmala, et. al, (2016) is as follows to have an introductory knowledge about the proposed work [22]. Big data technology usage for RDF data processing is fascinating as it would be motivating to output a typical Graph X graph as RDF so that SPARQL queries can be performed on it. There is no typical way of expressing RDF graph data processing but read a good-sized RDF dataset into Graph X and query through SPARQL. Spark with Scala provides a high number of higher-order functions [16] so that the functions and data to structures can be stored in distributed memory [17, 18]. In the batch-oriented MapReduce model, this doesn't work as this permits interactive and iterative tasks like machine learning tasks. Though these tasks work well. In the Spark version, they run 10X times faster because of in-memory processing, thus reducing disk I/O that is typical of MapReduce jobs. Spark provides a data structure called a Resilient Distributed Dataset, or RDD. Spark can watch over their distribution across computing clusters by storing data in RDDs. "Graph X helps store a set of nodes, arcs, and crucially for RDF types—extra information about each in RDDs" [18].

B. Property Graph for LinkedIn datasets

To construct a property graph consisting of the various details on the Graph X project, the vertex property contains the Person, Skill, Position, Organization, City, Education, Degree, College, and Course.. The Property Graph drawn for the LinkedIn dataset is given below in Fig. 1 and the converted Vertices and Edge tables are given in Table 1 and 2. From the Vertex table and Edge table, the initial graph will be built for further RDF Graph data processing, thus giving improved performance through SPARQL querie

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TABLE I. VERTEX TABLE

Id	Property (V Vertice), Value			
1	Person, Evan Smith			
2	Skill, Programming			
3	Position, Software Engineer			
4	Organization, Infosys			
5	Education, Post-Graduation			
6	College, Stanford			
7	Degree, MTech			
8	Course, Computer Science and Engineering			
9	City			

TABLE II. EDGE TABLE

SourceId	Destination	Property			
	Id	(E -Edge)			
1	2	Has Skill			
1	3	Works As			
4	3	Has Position			
4	9	lives			
1	9	location			
1	5	Has Education			
5	6	Has Studied			
5	7	Has Degree			
5	8	major			



FIG 1, PROPERTY GRAPH OF THE LINKEDIN DATASET

C. Methodology

The process flow of the proposed methodology of in-memory processing of RDF graph data is given below in Fig. 2.





FIG 2. RDF GRAPH PROCESSING USING SPARK WITH GRAPHX AND SCALA

Algorithm to produce TriplesAlgorithm to produce TriplesInput : RDF data setsIngOutput : TriplesIng1.Representing Subject, Object as Vertice2.Representing relationships as edges3.Create an RDD for the vertices4.Create an RDD for edges5.Build the initial property Graph6.Producing RDF Triples	Igorithm to search values through SPARQL put: Queries esult : Required Informatio Select Vertices from triples Where <condition></condition>
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ALGORITHMS TO PRODUCE TRIPLES AND SEARCH VALUES

FIG 3. ALGORITHMS FOR PRODUCING TRIPLES AND SEARCH VALUES

Algorithms to process these workflows are given as follows in Figure 3. The Time Complexity of this approach is O(1) where the time complexity of earlier approaches are O(n) and $O(\log n)$ as they go for a complete scan and use search techniques.

D. Brief of Scala Program that creates an RDD and stores and queries information of this property Graph

Scala program created for the Property Graph mentioned above creates RDDs called nodes about Person in LinkedIn and RDDs called relationships [22]. This stores information about edges that connect the nodes. For representing, nodes RDDs use long integers such as 3L and 7L which can store extra information about nodes [22]. For example, a person can have other information like Software Engineer as Position and Post-Graduation as a relationship can be represented with 3L. Extra nodes can be added to make SPARQL queries, work a little more. Once the RDDs are created for Nodes and Edges, the initial Graph can be built. Then the code in Scala is applied to produce RDF triples using a base URI. SPARQL queries can be created to retrieve information from this in-memory graph processing system to enhance performance

V. EXPERIMENTAL RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS

A. Cluster Architecture

It is significant to study the performance of these frameworks and understand the importance of different parameters. In these experiments, cluster performance is presenter based on MapReduce and Spark using the Hi Bench suite. In particular, one Hi bench workload out of thirteen standard workloads is selected to represent here is Tera Sort (shuffle job) with large RDF datasets. In the future, N weight is to be used as workload which is used for Graph benchmarking. It is an iterative Graph parallel algorithm implemented in the Spark Graph X library. It computes associations between two vertices that are n-hop away.

B. Hibench Suite with Workload

Hi Bench is a big data benchmark suite that helps evaluate different big data frameworks in terms of speed, throughput, and system resource utilization. It contains a set of Hadoop, Spark, and streaming workloads, including Sort, Word Count, Tera Sort, Repartition, Sleep, SQL, PageRank, Nutch indexing, Bayes, Kmeans, N Weight, and enhanced DFSIO, etc. It also contains several streaming workloads for Spark Streaming, Flink, Storm, and Gear pump.

Workloads: There are a total of 29 workloads in Hi Bench. The workloads are divided into 6 micro categories, ml (machine learning), SQL, graph, Web search, and streaming. The workload used here is Tera Sort which is a standard benchmark created by Jim Gray. Its input data is generated by the Hadoop Tera Gen example program.

C. Results of Hadoop and Spark with Tera Sort workload with varied input splits task is given below

Server	Processor	2.5 GHz	
Configuration	Main Memory	16 GB	
	Local Storage	2 TB	
	Operating System	Intel Xeon CPU ©3.40 GHz	
Node Configuration	Main Memory	4 GB	
	No. of nodes	4	
	Local storage	1 TB each 4 TB total	
	Operating System	Ubuntu 16.04.2	
Software	Operating System	Ubuntu 16.04.2	
	JDK	1.8.0	
	Hadoop	2.4.0	
Spark		2.1.0	
Workload	Micro Benchmark	Tera soft	
Datasets	Db pedia, Kaggle	LinkedIn data	

TABLE III. EXPERIMENTAL HADOOP CLUSTER

TABLE IV. EVALUATION RESULTS OF RDF GRAPH DATA PROCESSING IN HADOOP AND SPARK IN TERASORT WORKLOAD

Data	Execution Time(sec) Y					
Size(GB)	MR	SPARK	MR	SPARK	MR	SPARK
X	256MB	256MB	512MB	512MB	1024MB	1024MB
50	2347	147	2347	158	2347	160
100	4143	1143	4145	1142	4142	1142

150	6142	1243	6146	1343	6143	1443
200	9147	1345	12647	1544	12444	1645
250	10247	2047	15147	2043	15147	2045
300	20147	2258	20147	2258	21554	2258
350	21114	2347	22547	2347	24147	2347
400	25247	2447	25245	2447	25250	2447
450	26243	3153	27658	3785	29149	3439
500	31256	4947	31257	4757	31258	3957
550	37248	5147	34148	4147	32649	4047
600	42153	7648	40147	6147	39147	2645

TABLE V. THE BEST EXECUTION TIME OF MAPREDUCE AND SPARK WITH TERASORT WORKLOAD

Workload	Split sizes (MB)	Execution time (sec)
MapReduce input splits (Tera	256	21114
Sort)		
Spark input splits (Tera Sort)	512 & 1024	3785 & 3439



FIG 4. VISUALIZATION OF EXECUTION TIME FOR VARIOUS SIZED RDF GRAPH DATA PROCESSING IN HADOOP AND SPARK WITH TERASORT WORKLOAD

VI. CONCLUSION AND FUTUREWORK

In this work, the time complexity of the proposed work has been improved and performance analysis of RDF Graph Data Processing with Hadoop-MapReduce and Spark-Graph X has been done. This work can be further extended by evaluating the performance of RDF graph data processing in other cloud platforms such as Microsoft Azure public IaaS clouds, Google Compute Engine, or Rackspace with varying data size up to 10 to 100 terabytes (TB) of data and with workload N weight in Hi bench suite. This study helped to illustrate the improvement in the performance while running through SPARK platform added with Graph X library. This work is the commencement to drive for semantic graph analytics to further the depth of research. Future work can include deriving more insights from this structure like unknown relationships. Pattern matching. Connectivity Analytics and Centrality Analytics are some other research areas.

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