MLlib and Distributing the Singular Value Decomposition

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Spark Core
MLlib History

MLlib is a Spark subproject providing machine learning primitives

Initial contribution from AMPLab, UC Berkeley

Shipped with Spark since Sept 2013
MLlib: Available algorithms

**classification**: logistic regression, linear SVM, naïve Bayes, least squares, classification tree

**regression**: generalized linear models (GLMs), regression tree

**collaborative filtering**: alternating least squares (ALS), non-negative matrix factorization (NMF)

**clustering**: k-means||

**decomposition**: SVD, PCA

**optimization**: stochastic gradient descent, L-BFGS
Example Invocations
Example: K-means

```scala
// Load and parse the data.
val data = sc.textFile("kmeans_data.txt")
val parsedData = data.map(_.split(' ')).map(_.toDouble).cache()

// Cluster the data into two classes using KMeans.
val clusters = KMeans.train(parsedData, 2, numIterations = 20)

// Compute the sum of squared errors.
val cost = clusters.computeCost(parsedData)
println("Sum of squared errors = "+ cost)
```
Example: PCA

```scala
// compute principal components
val points: RDD[Vector] = ...
val mat = RowRDDMatrix(points)
val pc = mat.computePrincipalComponents(20)

// project points to a low-dimensional space
val projected = mat.multiply(pc).rows

// train a k-means model on the projected data
val model = KMeans.train(projected, 10)
```
Example: ALS

```scala
// Load and parse the data
val data = sc.textFile("mllib/data/als/test.data")
val ratings = data.map(_.split(',')) match {
  case Array(user, item, rate) =>
    Rating(user.toInt, item.toInt, rate.toDouble)
}

// Build the recommendation model using ALS
val model = ALS.train(ratings, 1, 20, 0.01)

// Evaluate the model on rating data
val usersProducts = ratings.map { case Rating(user, product, rate) =>
  (user, product)
}
val predictions = model.predict(usersProducts)
```
Benefits of fast iterations
Optimization

At least two large classes of optimization problems humans can solve:

- Convex Programs
- Singular Value Decomposition
Optimization - LR

data = spark.textFile(...).map(readPoint).cache()

w = numpy.random.rand(D)

for i in range(iterations):
    gradient = data.map(lambda p:
        (1 / (1 + exp(-p.y * w.dot(p.x)))) * p.y * p.x
    ).reduce(lambda a, b: a + b)
    w -= gradient

print "Final w: %s" % w
MR PageRank

Repeatedly multiply sparse matrix and vector

Requires repeatedly hashing together page adjacency lists and rank vector

Neighbors (id, edges)

Ranks (id, rank)

Same file grouped over and over
Spark PageRank

Using cache(), keep neighbor lists in RAM

Using partitioning, avoid repeated hashing

partitionBy

Neighbors (id, edges)

Ranks (id, rank)

join

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Spark PageRank

Using `cache()`, keep neighbor lists in RAM

Using partitioning, avoid repeated hashing
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Neighbors
(id, edges)

Ranks
(id, rank)
PageRank Code

# RDD of (id, neighbors) pairs
links = spark.textFile(...).map(parsePage)
   .partitionBy(128).cache()

ranks = links.mapValues(lambda v: 1.0)  # RDD of (id, rank)

for i in range(ITERATIONS):
    ranks = links.join(ranks).flatMap(
        lambda (id, (links, rank)):
            [(d, rank/links.size) for d in links]
    ).reduceByKey(lambda a, b: a + b)

Generalizes to Matrix Multiplication, opening many algorithms from Numerical Linear Algebra
PageRank Results

- Hadoop: 171 seconds
- Basic Spark: 72 seconds
- Spark + Controlled Partitioning: 23 seconds
Deep Dive: Singular Value Decomposition
Singular Value Decomposition

Two cases: Tall and Skinny vs roughly Square

computeSVD function takes care of which one to call, so you don’t have to.
if (n < 100 || k > n / 2) {
    // If n is small or k is large compared with n, we better compute the Gramian matrix first
    // and then compute its eigenvalues locally, instead of making multiple passes.
    if (k < n / 3) {
        SVDMode.LocalARPACK
    } else {
        SVDMode.LocalLAPACK
    }
} else {
    // If k is small compared with n, we use ARPACK with distributed multiplication.
    SVDMode.DistARPACK
}
Tall and Skinny SVD

- Given $m \times n$ matrix $A$, with $m \gg n$.
- We compute $A^T A$.
- $A^T A$ is $n \times n$, considerably smaller than $A$.
- $A^T A$ is dense.
- Holds dot products between all pairs of columns of $A$.

\[
A = U \Sigma V^T \quad A^T A = V \Sigma^2 V^T
\]
Square SVD via ARPACK

Very mature Fortran77 package for computing eigenvalue decompositions

\[ K_n = [b \ Ab \ A^2b \ \cdots \ A^{n-1}b] \]

JNI interface available via netlib-java

Distributed using Spark distributed matrix-vector multiplies!
Deep Dive: All pairs Similarity
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Compute via DIMSUM: “Dimension Independent Similarity Computation using MapReduce”

Will be in Spark 1.2 as a method in RowMatrix
All-pairs similarity computation

- Given $m \times n$ matrix $A$, with $m \gg n$.

$$A = \begin{pmatrix}
  a_{1,1} & a_{1,2} & \cdots & a_{1,n} \\
  a_{2,1} & a_{2,2} & \cdots & a_{2,n} \\
  \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\
  a_{m,1} & a_{m,2} & \cdots & a_{m,n}
\end{pmatrix}$$

- $A$ is tall and skinny, example values $m = 10^{12}$, $n = 10^6$.
- $A$ has sparse rows, each row has at most $L$ nonzeros.
- $A$ is stored across hundreds of machines and cannot be streamed through a single machine.
Naïve Approach

**Algorithm 1** NaïveMapper($r_i$)

- for all pairs $(a_{ij}, a_{ik})$ in $r_i$ do
  - Emit ($((j, k) \rightarrow a_{ij}a_{ik})$)
- end for

**Algorithm 2** NaïveReducer($((i, j), \langle v_1, \ldots, v_R \rangle)$)

- output $c_i^T c_j \rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^{R} v_i$
Naïve approach: analysis

- Very easy analysis
- 1) Shuffle size: $O(mL^2)$
- 2) Largest reduce-key: $O(m)$

Both depend on $m$, the larger dimension, and are intractable for $m = 10^{12}, L = 100$.

We’ll bring both down via clever sampling

Assuming column norms are known or estimates available
Algorithm 3 DIMSUMv2Mapper($r_i$)

for all $a_{ij}$ in $r_i$ do

With probability $\min\left(1, \frac{\sqrt{\gamma}}{\|c_j\|}\right)$

for all $a_{ik}$ in $r_i$ do

With probability $\min\left(1, \frac{\sqrt{\gamma}}{\|c_k\|}\right)$

emit $((j, k) \rightarrow \frac{a_{ij} a_{ik}}{\min(\sqrt{\gamma}, \|c_j\|) \min(\sqrt{\gamma}, \|c_k\|)})$

end for

end for
DIMSUM Analysis

The algorithm outputs $b_{ij}$, which is a matrix of cosine similarities, call it $B$.

Four things to prove:

1. Shuffle size: $O(nL\gamma)$
2. Largest reduce-key: $O(\gamma)$
3. The sampling scheme preserves similarities when $\gamma = \Omega(\log(n)/s)$
4. The sampling scheme preserves singular values when $\gamma = \Omega(n/\epsilon^2)$
For any two columns $c_i$ and $c_j$ having $\cos(c_i, c_j) \geq s$, let $B$ be the output of DIMSUM with entries $b_{ij} = \frac{1}{\gamma} \sum_{k=1}^{m} X_{ijk}$ with $X_{ijk}$ as the indicator for the $k$'th coin in the call to DIMSUMMapper. Now if $\gamma = \Omega(\alpha/s)$, then we have,

$$\Pr \left[ \|c_i\| \|c_j\| b_{ij} > (1 + \delta)[A^T A]_{ij} \right] \leq \left( \frac{e^{\delta}}{(1 + \delta)(1+\delta)} \right)^{\alpha}$$

and

$$\Pr \left[ \|c_i\| \|c_j\| b_{i,j} < (1 - \delta)[A^T A]_{ij} \right] < \exp(-\alpha \delta^2 / 2)$$

Relative error guaranteed to be low with high probability.
Spark implementation

Magnitudes shipped with every task

Makes life much easier than e.g. MapReduce
Ongoing Work in MLlib

multiclass decision trees
stats library (e.g. stratified sampling, ScaRSR)
ADMM
LDA
All-pairs similarity (DIMSUM)
General Convex Optimization
MLlib + {Streaming, GraphX, SQL}
MLlib + Streaming

As of Spark 1.1, you can train linear models in a streaming fashion.

Model weights are updated via SGD, thus amenable to streaming.

More work needed for decision trees.
MLlib + SQL

points = context.sql("select latitude, longitude from tweets")
model = KMeans.train(points, 10)
// assemble link graph
val graph = Graph(pages, links)
val pageRank: RDD[(Long, Double)] = graph.staticPageRank(10).vertices

// load page labels (spam or not) and content features
val labelAndFeatures: RDD[(Long, (Double, Seq[Int, Double]))] = ...
val training: RDD[LabeledPoint] =
  labelAndFeatures.join(pageRank).map {
    case (id, ((label, features), pageRank)) =>
      LabeledPoint(label, Vectors.sparse(features ++ (1000, pageRank))

  }

// train a spam detector using logistic regression
val model = LogisticRegressionWithSGD.train(training)
Future of MLlib
General Convex Optimization

Distribute CVX by backing CVXPY with PySpark

Easy-to-express distributable convex programs

Need to know less math to optimize complicated objectives

```
from cvxpy import *

# Create two scalar optimization variables.
x = Variable()
y = Variable()

# Create two constraints.
constraints = [x + y == 1,
              x - y >= 1]

# Form objective.
obj = Minimize(square(x - y))

# Form and solve problem.
prob = Problem(obj, constraints)
prob.solve()  # Returns the optimal value.
print "status:", prob.status
print "optimal value", prob.value
print "optimal var", x.value, y.value
```

status: optimal
optimal value 0.999999989323
optimal var 0.999999998248 1.75244914951e-09
Spark and ML

Spark has all its roots in research, so we hope to keep incorporating new ideas!
Next Speakers

Ameet: History of MLlib and the research on it at Berkeley

Ankur: Graph processing with GraphX

TD: Spark Streaming