An Overview of Polystores

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Cloud DB Appliance











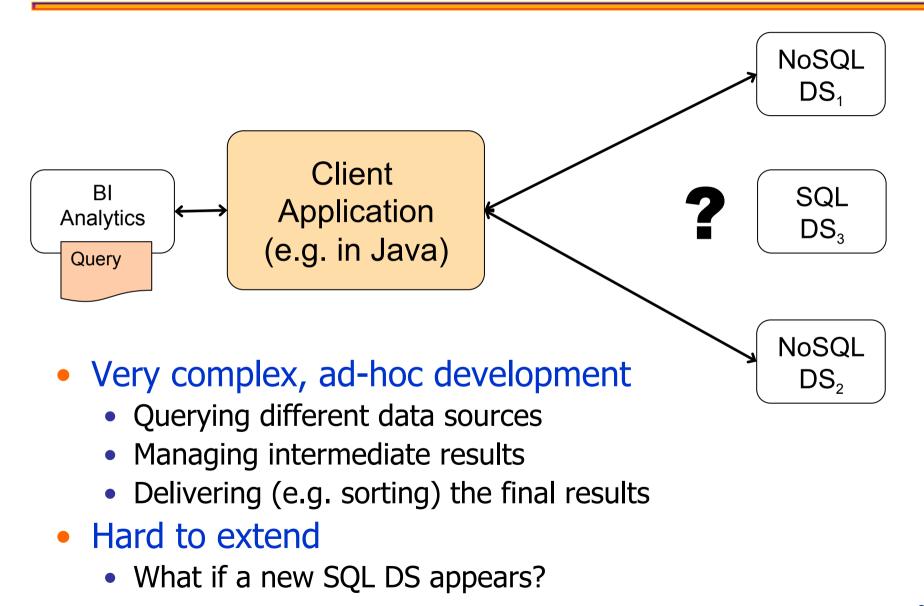


Cloud & Big Data Landscape



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General Problem

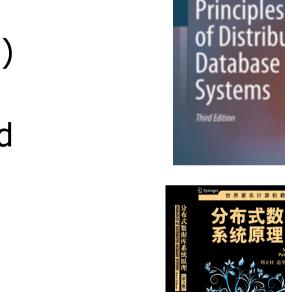


Outline

- Polystores
- The CloudMdsQL polystore
- Query language
- Distributed architecture
- Extending CloudMdsQL with MFR
- CloudMdsQL contributions

Origins of Polystores

- Multidatabase systems (or federated database systems)
 - A few databases (e.g. less than 10)
 - **Corporate DBs**
 - Powerful queries (with updates and transactions)
- Web data integration systems
 - Many data sources (e.g. 1000's)
 - DBs or files behind a web server
 - Simple queries (read-only)
- Mediator/wrapper architecture





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Polystores

- Also called multistore systems
 - A major topic of research [The Case for Polystores. M. Stonebraker's blog. July 2015]
 - Provide integrated access to multiple, heterogeneous cloud data stores such as NoSQL, HDFS, CEP and RDBMS
 - Great for integrating structured (relational) data and big data
 - But typically trade data store autonomy for performance or work only for certain categories of data stores (e.g. RDBMS and HDFS)

Taxonomy of Polystores*

- Three kinds
 - Loosely-coupled
 - Similar to mediator/wrapper
 - Common interface
 - Autonomy of data stores, i.e. the ability to be locally controlled (independent of the multistore)
 - Tightly-coupled
 - Exploit local interfaces for efficiency
 - Trade data store autonomy for performance
 - Materialized views, indexes
 - Hybrid
 - Compromise between loosely- and tightly-coupled

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Comparisons: functionality

Polystore	Objective	Data model	Query language	Data stores		
Loosely-coupled						
BigIntegrator (Uppsala U.)	Querying relational and cloud data	Relational	SQL-like	BigTable, RDBMS		
Forward (UC San Diego)	Unyfing relational and NoSQL	JSON-based	SQL++	RDBMS, NoSQL		
QoX (HP labs)	Analytic data flows	Graph	XML based	RDBMS, ETL		
Tightly-coupled						
Polybase (Microsoft)	Querying Hadoop from RDBMS	Relational	SQL	HDFS, RDBMS		
HadoopDB (Yale U.)	Querying RDBMS from Hadoop	Relational	SQL-live (HiveQL)	HDFS, RDBMS		
Estocada (Inria)	Self-tuning	No common model	Native query languages	RDBMS, NoSQL		
Hybrid						
SparkSQL (UCB)	SQL atop Spark	Nested	SQL-like	HDFS, RDBMS		
BigDAWG (MIT)	Unifying relational and NoSQL	No common model	Island query languages, with CAST and SCOPE operators	RDBMS, NoSQL, Array DBMS, DSMSs		

Comparisons: implementation

Polystore	Special modules	Schema mgt	Query processing	Query optimization			
Loosely-coupled							
BigIntegrator (Uppsala U.)	Importer, absorber, finalizer	LAV	Access filters	Heuristics			
Forward (UC San Diego)	Query processor	GAV	Data store capabilities	Cost-based			
QoX (HP Labs)	Dataflow engine	No	Data/ function shipping, operation decomposition	Cost-based			
Tightly-coupled							
Polybase (Microsoft)	HDFS bridge	GAV	Query splitting	Cost-based			
HadoopDB (Yale U.)	SMS planer, dbconnector	GAV	Query splitting	Heuristics			
Estocada (Inria)	Storage advisor	Materialized views	View-based query rewriting	Cost-based			
Hybrid							
SparkSQL (UCB)	Catalyst extensible optimizer	Dataframes	In-memory caching using columnar storage	Cost-based			
BigDAWG (MIT)	Island query processors	GAV within islands	Function/ data shipping	Heuristics			

The CloudMdsQL Polystore*

- A hybrid polystore
 - Context: CoherentPaaS FP7 (2013-2016)
- Objectives



CoherentPaaS

- Design an SQL-like query language to query multiple data sources in a cloud
 - Autonomous data stores
- Design a query engine for that language
 - Fully distributed over a cluster's nodes
 - Compiler/optimizer
 - To produce efficient query execution plans
- Design an ultra-scalable transaction manager

*B. Kolev, C. Bondiombouy, P. Valduriez, R. Jiménez-Peris, R. Pau, J. Pereira. The CloudMdsQL Multistore System. *SIGMOD 2016.*

The CloudMdsQL Language*

- Functional SQL-like query language
 - Can represent all query building blocks as functions
 - A function can be expressed in one of the DS languages, as a native function
 - E.g. a breadth-first search on a graph DS
 - Function results can be used as input to subsequent functions
 - Functions can transform types and do datametadata conversion

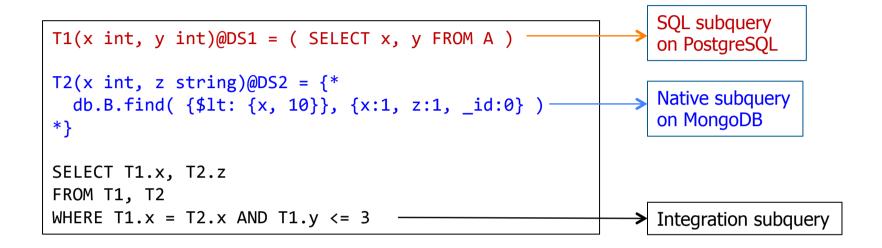
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CloudMdsQL Table Expressions

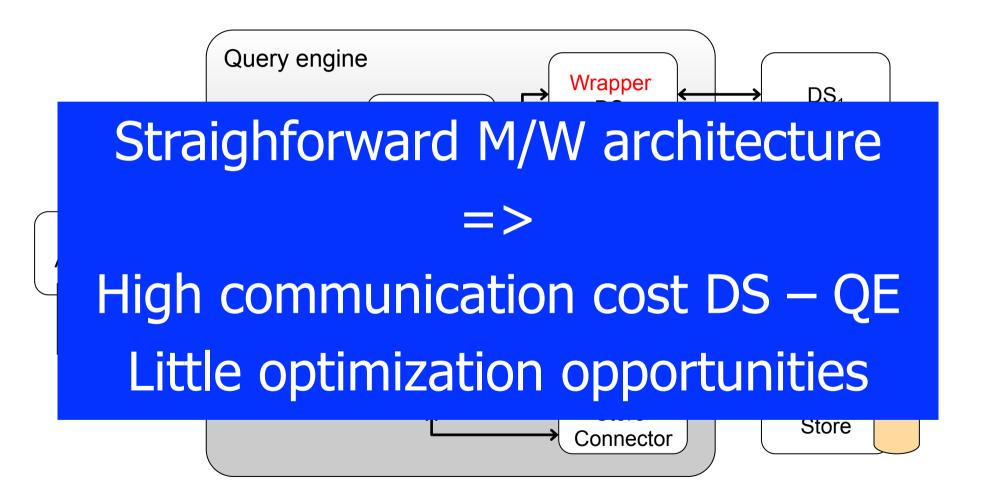
Named table expression

- Expression that returns a table representing a nested query [against a data store]
- Name and Signature (names and types of attributes)
- Query is executed with a schema on read
 - No need for global schema
- 3 kinds of table expressions
 - Native named tables
 - Using a data store's native query mechanism
 - SQL named tables
 - Regular SELECT statements
 - Python named tables
 - Embedded blocks of Python statements that produce relations

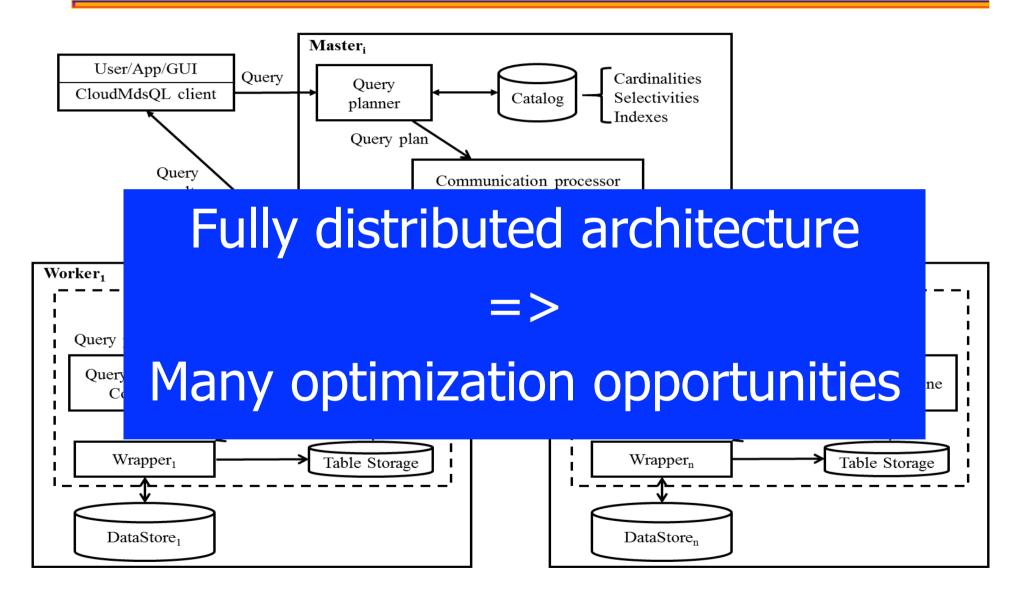
CloudMdsQL Query Example



Centralized Query Engine



Distributed Query Engine



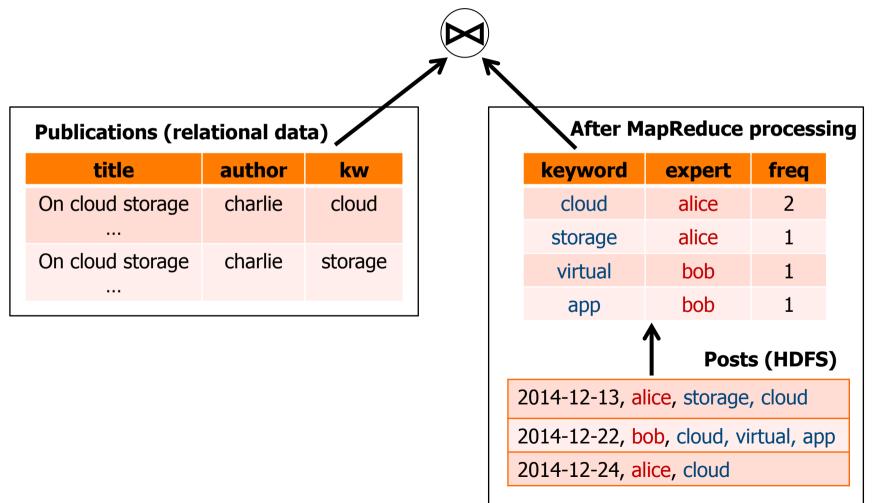
Extending CloudMdsQL with MFR*

- Objectives
 - Integration of relational and HDFS data
 - With autonomy of data stores, unlike e.g. Polybase
 - Query data stored in HDFS using a data processing framework (DPF) like Spark or Flink
 - Using powerful functions lile Map, Filter, Reduce, etc.
- Issues
 - Execute joins between RDBMS and HDFS
 - Extend the CloudMdsQL Query Engine to work with Spark
- Solution
 - Map-Filter-Reduce (MFR) expression

*C. Bondiombouy, B. Kolev, O. Levchenko, P. Valduriez. Integrating Big Data and Relational Data with a Functional SQL-like Query Language. *DEXA 2015.* Extended version in Springer *TLDKS* journal 9940:48-74, 2016.

Motivating Example

An editorial office needs to find appropriate reporters for a list of publications based on given keywords



MFR Expression

- Works on a dataset, i.e. an abstraction for a set of tuples in a DPF
 - For instance, a Resilient Distributed Dataset in Spark
 - Consists of key-value tuples
- Using Map-Filter-Reduce operations
 - Map, Filter, Reduce : the main operations
 - Other operations : Scan, FlatMap, Project, ...

MFR Expression Example

• Example: count the words that contain the string 'cloud'

Dataset
SCAN(TEXT,'words.txt').MAP(KEY,1).FILTER(KEY LIKE `%cloud%').REDUCE (SUM)

Example Query with MFR

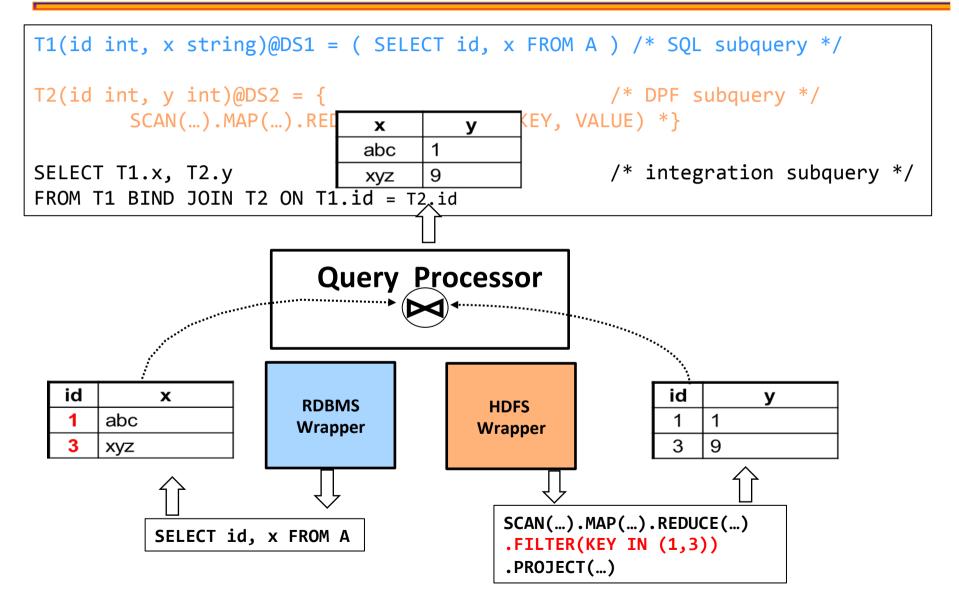
• Query: retrieve data from RDBMS and HDFS

```
/* SQL subquery */
T1(title string, kw string)@rdbms = ( SELECT title, kw FROM
tbl )
/* MFR subquery */
T2(word string, count int)@hdfs = {*
       SCAN(TEXT, 'words.txt')
       .MAP(KEY, 1)
       .REDUCE(SUM)
       .PROJECT(KEY,VALUE) *}
/* Integration subquery */
SELECT title, kw, count FROM T1 JOIN T2 ON T1.kw = T2.word
WHERE T1.kw LIKE '%cloud%'
```

Query Optimization

- We apply known optimization techniques to reduce execution time and communication costs
 - Selection pushdown inside subqueries
 - Bind join
 - MFR operators reordering

Bind Join - example

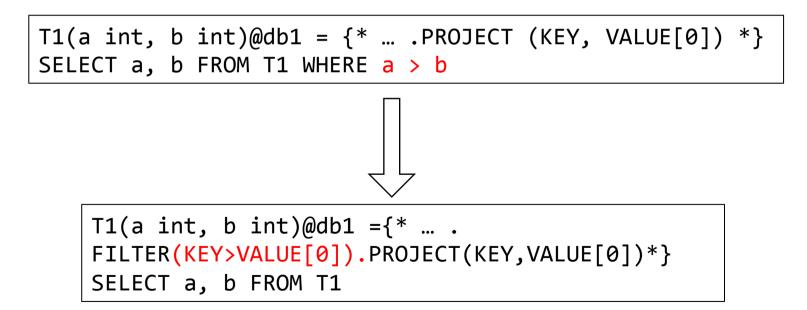


MFR Rewrite Rules

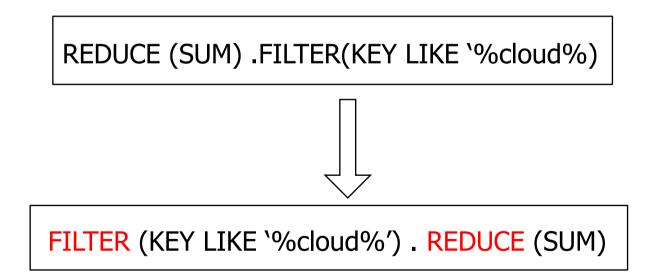
- Rules for reordering MFR operators, based on their algebraic properties
- Focus on permuting FILTER with
 - PROJECT
 - REDUCE
 - MAP

Rule PROJECT / FILTER

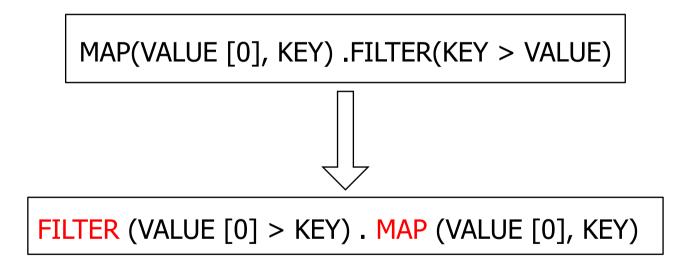
PROJECT (<expr_list>).SELECT(<predicate1>)
=>
FILTER(<predicate2>).PROJECT(<expr_list>)



```
REDUCE(<transformation>).FILTER(<predicate>)
=>
FILTER(<predicate>).REDUCE(<transformation>)
```



Rule MAP / FILTER



Map/Filter/Reduce => Spark

- We need to translate MFR operators to Spark
 operators
 - map
 - flatMap
 - reduceByKey
 - aggregateByKey
 - filter

CloudMdsQL Contributions

• Advantage

• Relieves users from building complex client/server applications in order to access multiple data stores

Innovation

- Adds value by allowing arbitrary code/native query to be embedded
 - To preserve the expressivity of each data store's query mechanism
- Provision for traditional distributed query optimization

Validation

- With 10 different data stores, including SQL, NoSQL and Spark
- Transfer to the Leanxcale startup