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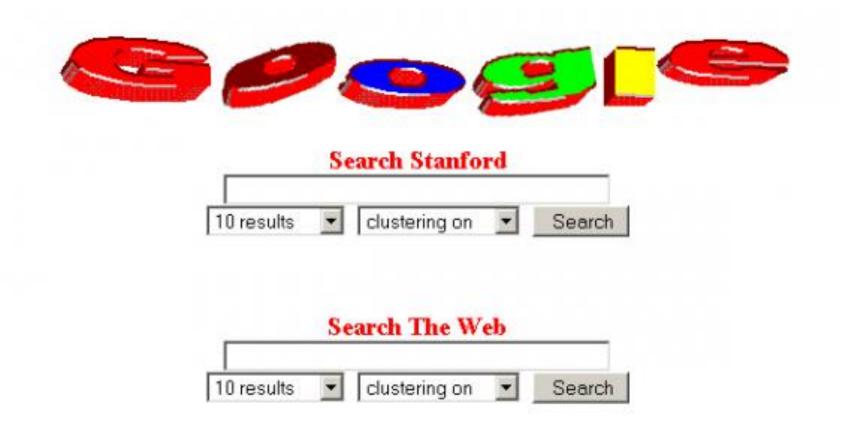
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Lecture 3: DFS/HDFS + MapReduce/Hadoop

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Massive Data Processing in Google

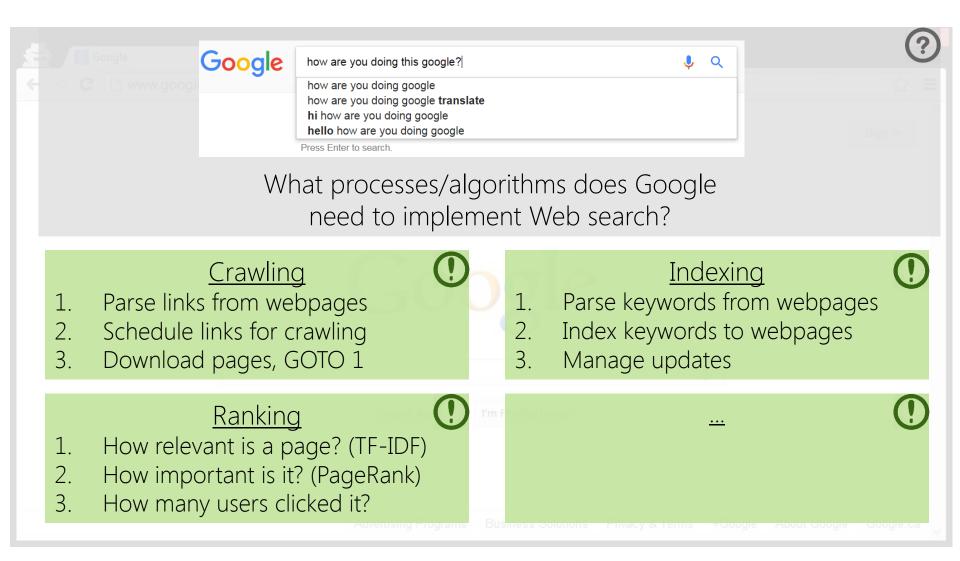
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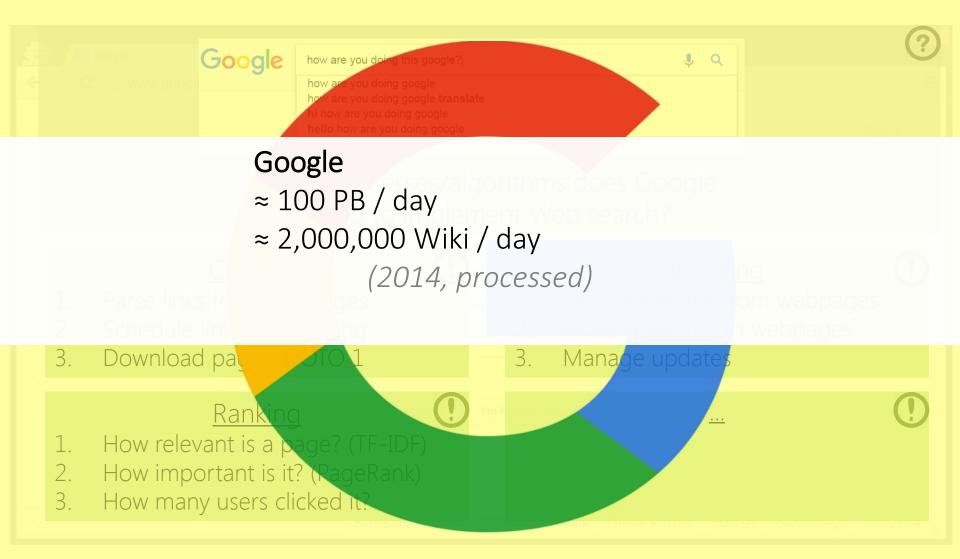
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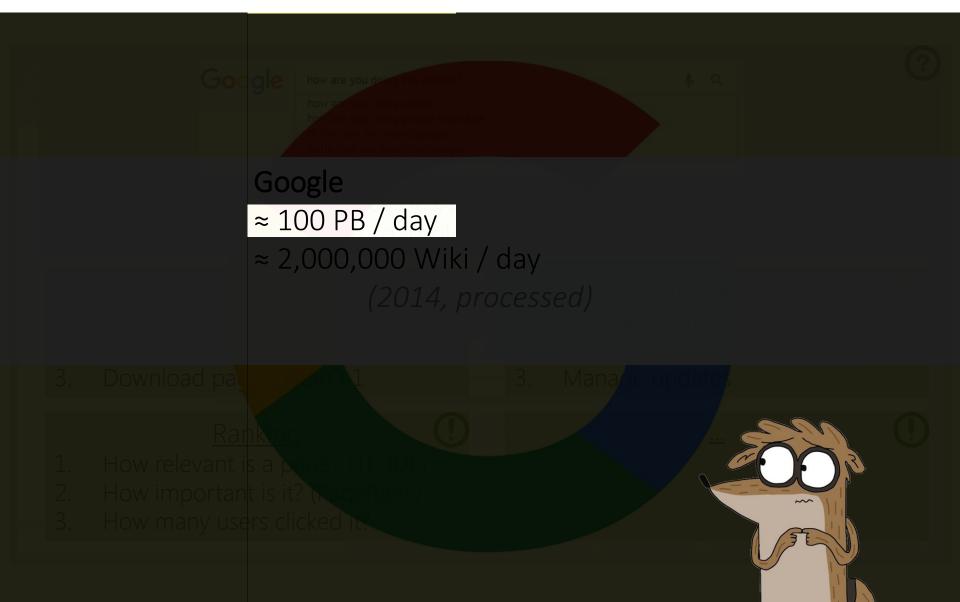
Building Google Web-search



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<u>Crawling</u>

- 1. Parse links from webpages
- 2. Schedule links for crawling
- 3. Download pages, GOTO 1

Indexing

- 1. Parse keywords from webpages
- 2. Index keywords to webpages
- 3. Manage updates

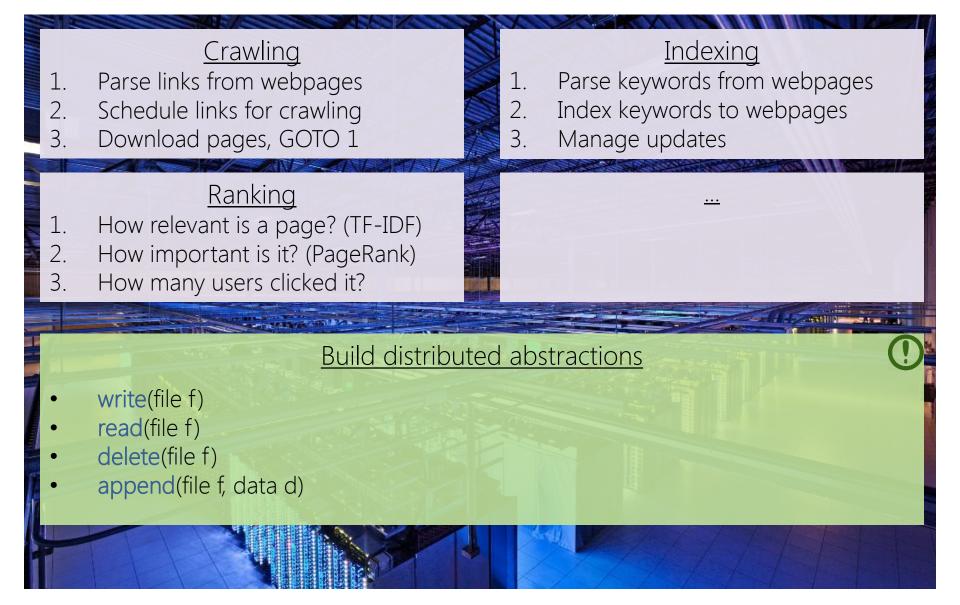
Ranking

- 1. How relevant is a page? (TF-IDF)
- 2. How important is it? (PageRank)
- 3. How many users clicked it?

If we implement each task separately ...

- ... re-implement storage
- ... re-implement retrieval
- ... re-implement distributed processing
- ... re-implement communication
- ... re-implement fault-tolerance
- ... and then re-implement those again

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GOOGLE FILE SYSTEM (GFS)

Google File System (GFS): White-Paper

The Google File System

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ABSTRACT

We have designed and implemented the Google File System, a scalable distributed file system for large distributed data-intensive applications. It provides fault tolerance while running on inexpensive commodity hardware, and it delivers high aggregate performance to a large number of clients.

While sharing many of the same goals as previous distributed file systems, our design has been driven by observations of our application workloads and technological environment, both current and anticipated, that reflect a marked departure from some earlier file system assumptions. This has led us to reexamine traditional choices and explore radically different design points.

The file system has successfully met our storage needs. It is widely deployed within Google as the storage platform for the generation and processing of data used by our service as well as research and development efforts that require large data sets. The largest cluster to date provides hundreds of terabytes of storage across thousands of disks on over a thousand machines, and it is concurrently accessed by hundreds of clients.

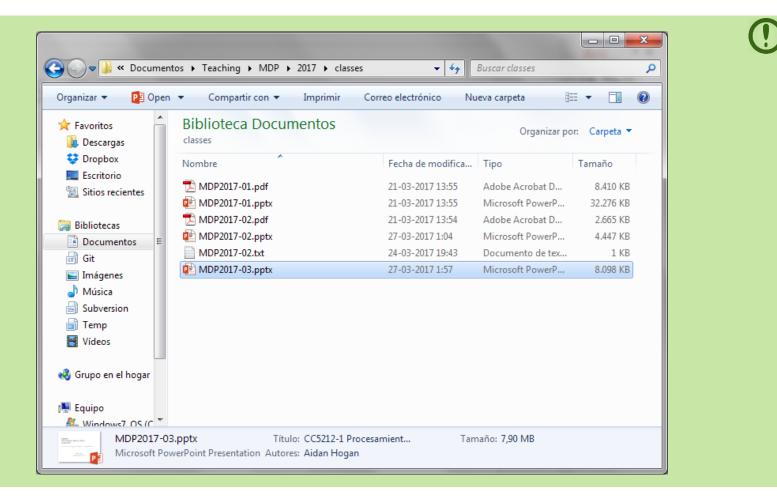
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1. INTRODUCTION

We have designed and implemented the Google File System (GFS) to meet the rapidly growing demands of Google's data processing needs. GFS shares many of the same goals as previous distributed file systems such as performance, scalability, reliability, and availability. However, its design has been driven by key observations of our application workloads and technological environment, both current and anticipated, that reflect a marked departure from some earlier file system design assumptions. We have reexamined traditional choices and explored radically different points in the design space.

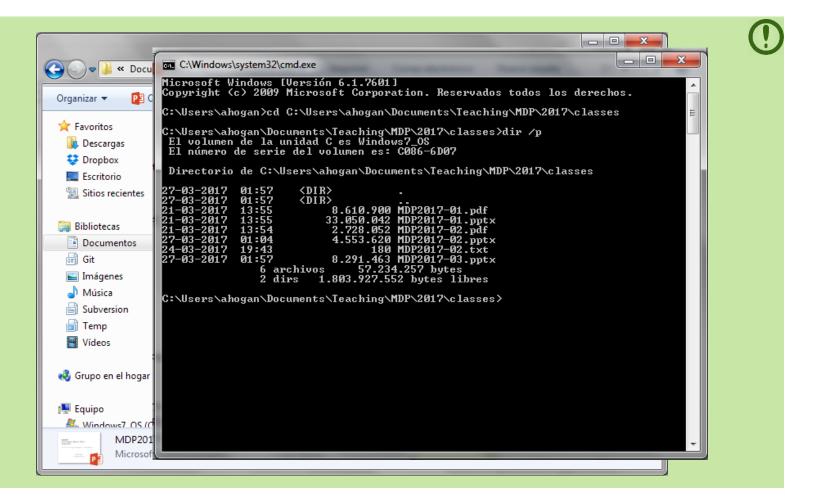
First, component failures are the norm rather than the exception. The file system consists of hundreds or even thousands of storage machines built from inexpensive commodity parts and is accessed by a comparable number of client machines. The quantity and quality of the components virtually guarantee that some are not functional at any given time and some will not recover from their current failures. We have seen problems caused by application bugs, operating system bugs, human errors, and the failures of disks, memory, connectors, networking, and power supplies. Therefore, constant monitoring, error detection, fault tolerance, and automatic recovery must be integral to the system.

What is a "file-system"?



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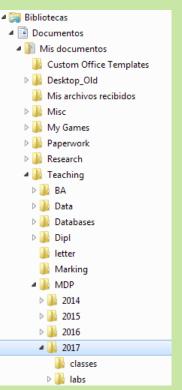
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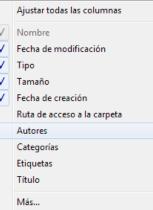
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What does "Google File System" do?

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Same thing, just distributed:

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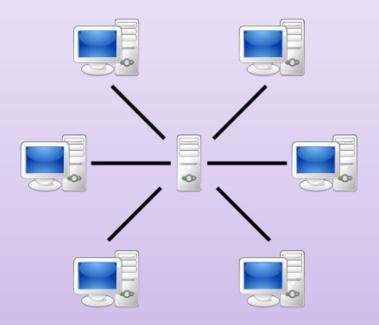


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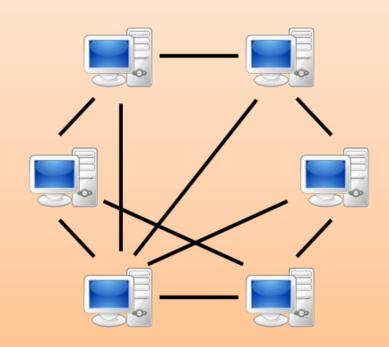
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Client–Server?



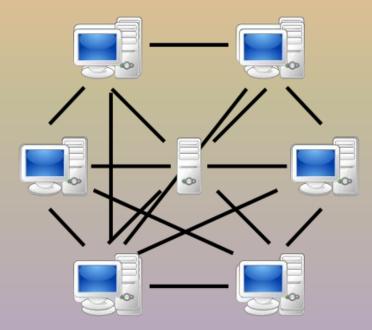
Peer-To-Peer?



So which architecture do you think Google uses?



Client–Peer-To-Server-To-Peer-Server-Client!



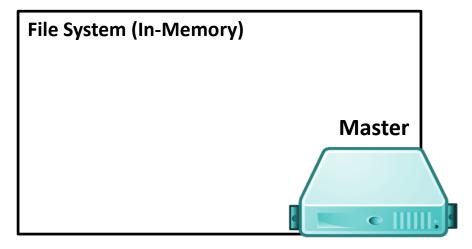
Google File System: Assumptions

- Files are huge
- Files often read or appended
- Concurrency important
- Failures are frequent
- Streaming important

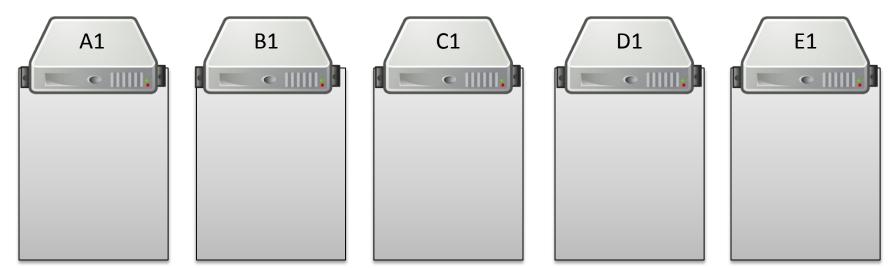
So how should Google design its Distributed File System?

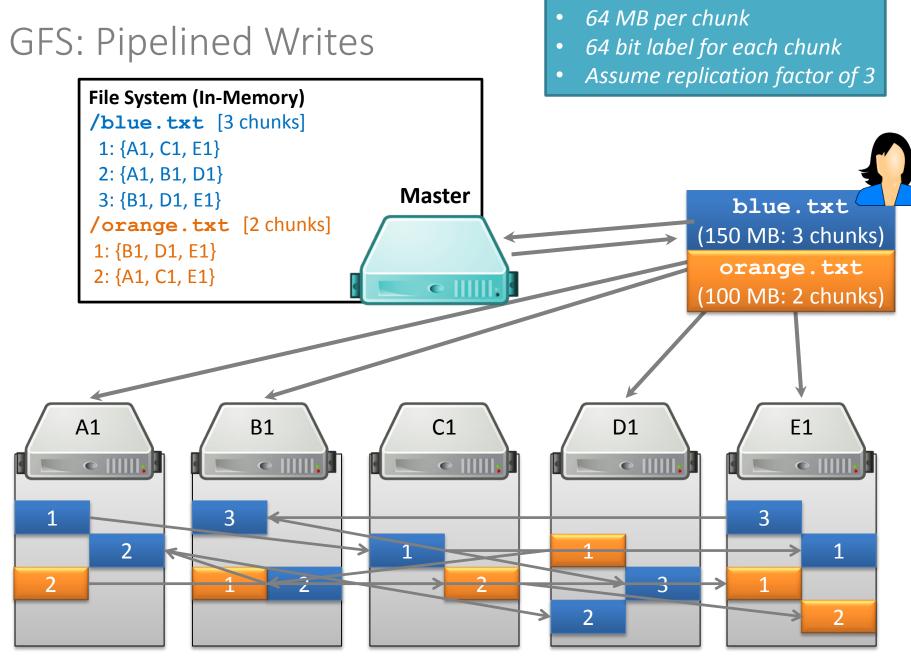


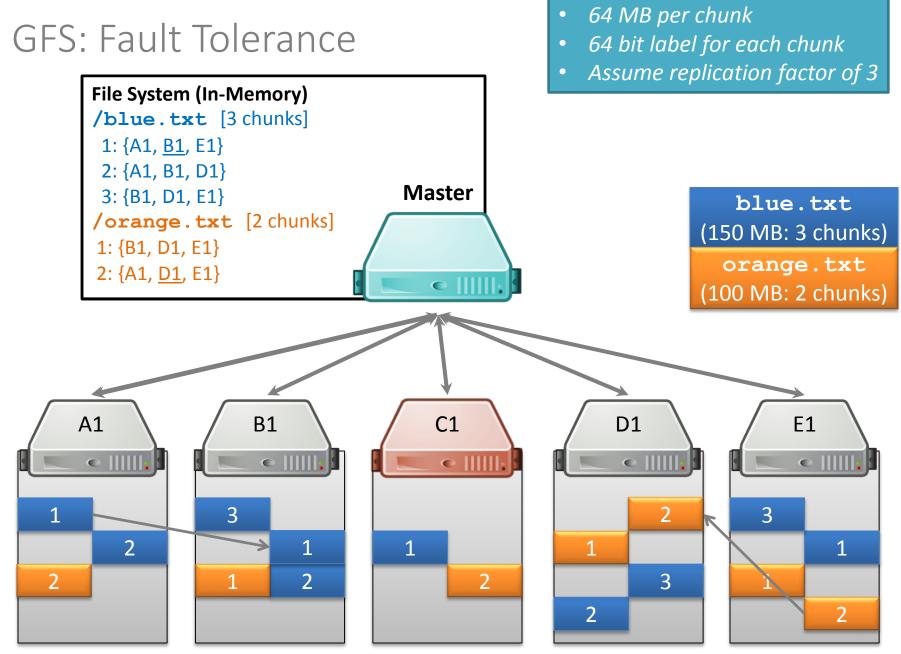
GFS: Architecture

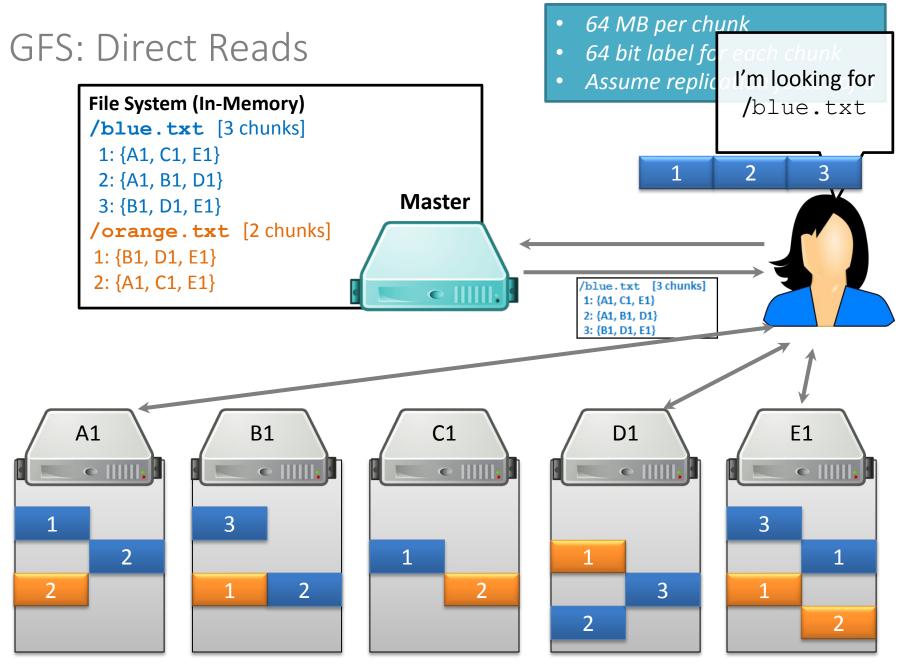


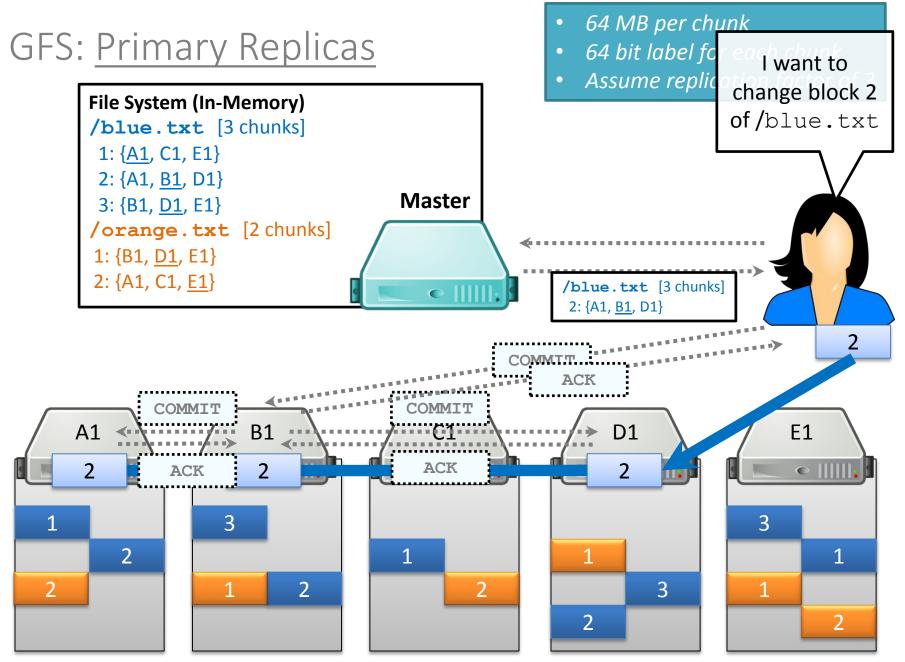
- 64 MB per chunk
- 64 bit label for each chunk
- Assume replication factor of 3

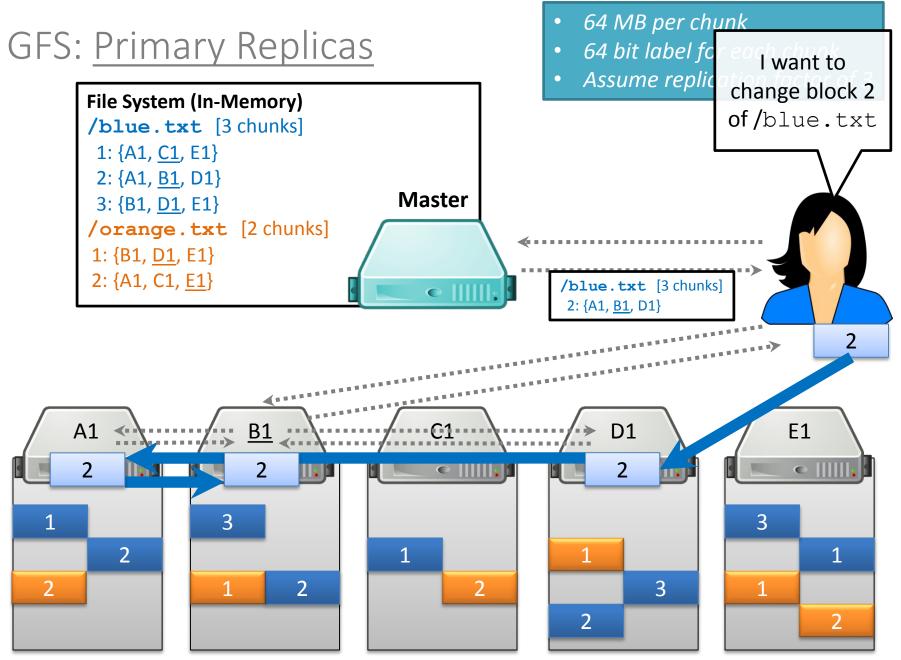








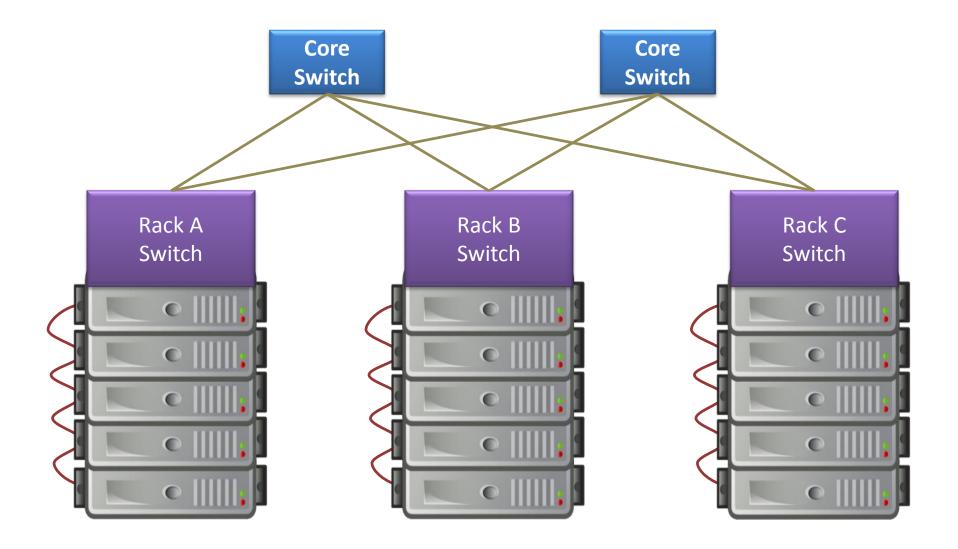




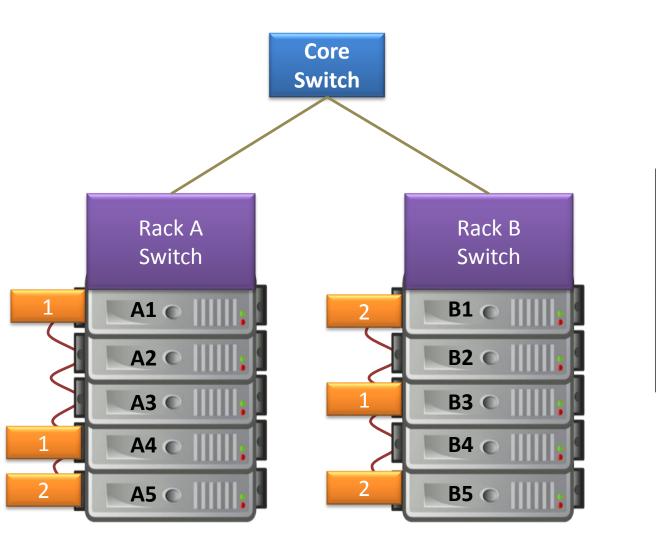
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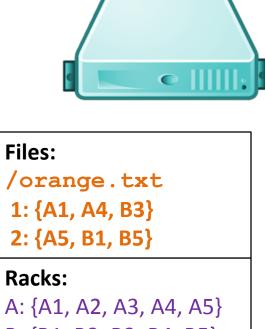


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B: {B1, B2, B3, B4, B5}
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GFS: Other Operations

<u>Rebalancing</u>: Spread storage out evenly

Deletion:

Just rename the file with hidden file name To recover, rename back to original version Otherwise, three days later will be wiped

Monitoring Stale Replicas:

Dead slave reappears with old data? Master keeps version info

GFS: Weaknesses?

What are the main weaknesses of GFS?

Master node single point of failure

- Use hardware replication
- Logs and checkpoints

Master node is a bottleneck

- Use more powerful machine
- Minimise master node traffic

Master-node metadata kept in memory Each chunk needs 64 bytes to address

- Chunk data can be queried from each slave
- Keep each chunk large (fewer chunks)



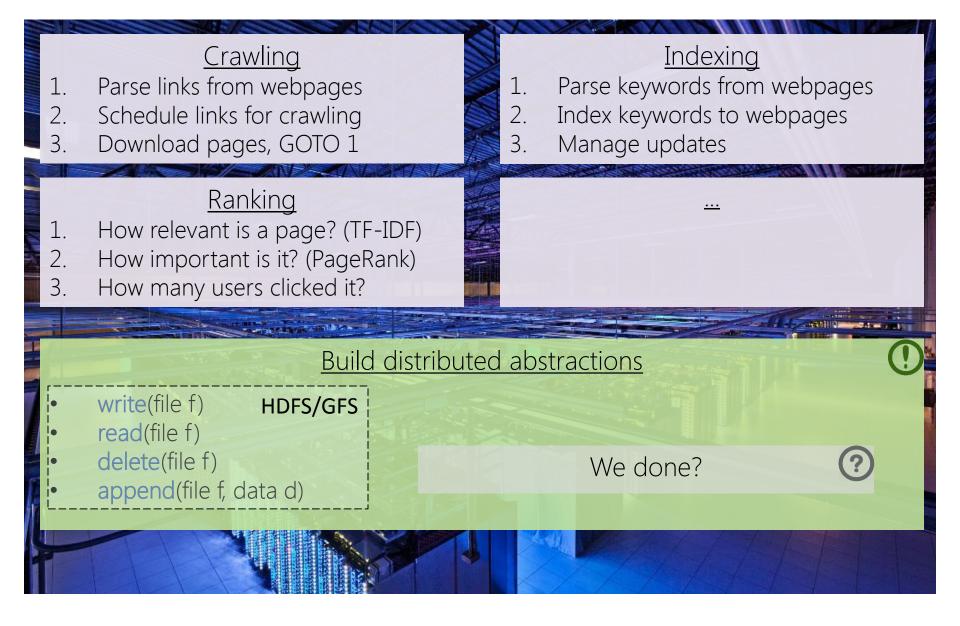


Hadoop Distributed File System



- Open source version of GFS
- HDFS-to-GFS translation guide ...
 - Data-node = Chunkserver/Slave
 - Name-node = Master
- Same idea except ...
 - GFS is proprietary (hidden in Google)
 - HDFS is open source (Apache!)

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Google's MapReduce

MapReduce: White-Paper

MapReduce: Simplified Data Processing on Large Clusters

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Abstract

MapReduce is a programming model and an associated implementation for processing and generating large data sets. Users specify a *map* function that processes a key/value pair to generate a set of intermediate key/value pairs, and a *reduce* function that merges all intermediate values associated with the same intermediate key. Many real world tasks are expressible in this model, as shown in the paper.

Programs written in this functional style are automatically parallelized and executed on a large cluster of commodity machines. The run-time system takes care of the details of partitioning the input data, scheduling the program's execution across a set of machines, handling machine failures, and managing the required inter-machine communication. This allows programmers without any experience with parallel and distributed systems to easily utilize the resources of a large distributed system. given day, etc. Most such computations are conceptually straightforward. However, the input data is usually large and the computations have to be distributed across hundreds or thousands of machines in order to finish in a reasonable amount of time. The issues of how to parallelize the computation, distribute the data, and handle failures conspire to obscure the original simple computation with large amounts of complex code to deal with these issues.

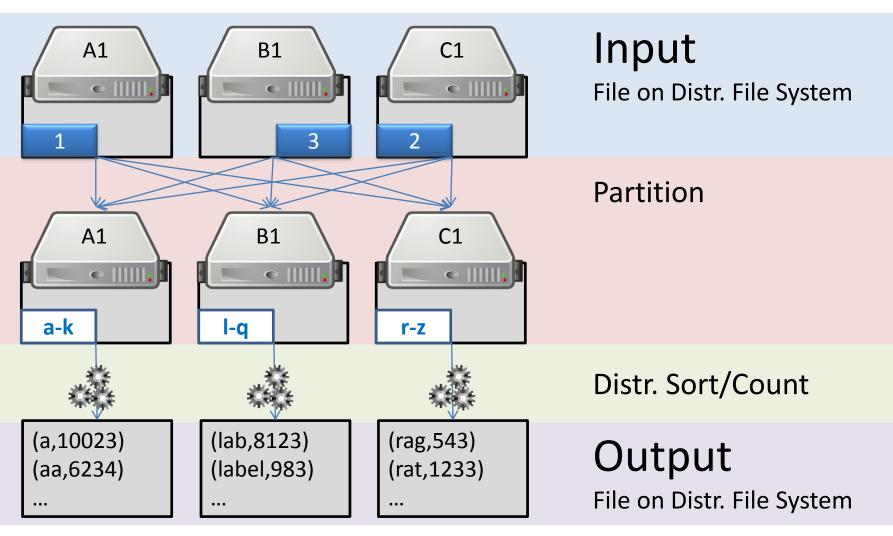
As a reaction to this complexity, we designed a new abstraction that allows us to express the simple computations we were trying to perform but hides the messy details of parallelization, fault-tolerance, data distribution and load balancing in a library. Our abstraction is inspired by the *map* and *reduce* primitives present in Lisp and many other functional languages. We realized that most of our computations involved applying a *map* operation to each logical "record" in our input in order to compute a set of intermediate key/value pairs, and then

Let's start with one task

How could we do a distributed word count?

Count parts in memory on different machines and merge? But if the data don't fit in memory (e.g., 4-grams)? And how to do that merge (sum counts for word *w* across machines)?

Count parts on-disk on different machines and merge? Again, how to do that merge?



Better partitioning?



Can we abstract any general framework?

For each unique word computed from some input line, give me a list of its repetitions on <u>all input lines</u>, and for the list of repetitions of each unique word, I will count them to create output

Can we abstract any general framework?

For each thing computed from some input line, give me a list of its related-things on <u>all input lines</u>, and for the list of related-things of each thing, I will do-something-over them to create the output

Can we abstract any general framework?

Define input as a set of key value pairs $I \subseteq T_{IK} \times T_{IV}$ For example, $I = \{(1, "soy una linea"), (2, "soy otra linea")\}$ T_{IK} is the set of all int, T_{IV} is the set of all string

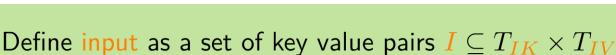
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For example, reduce({("soy", 1), ("soy", 1)}) := {("soy", 2)} T_{RK} is the set of all string, T_{RV} is the set of all int

Can we be more specific for reduce?



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MapReduce

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In general, we must assume bags/multisets (sets with duplicates)



MapReduce: Main Idea

Can we abstract any general framework?

Given I

- ... compute map over all $i \in I$
- ... group resulting set by map key
- ... apply reduce over groups

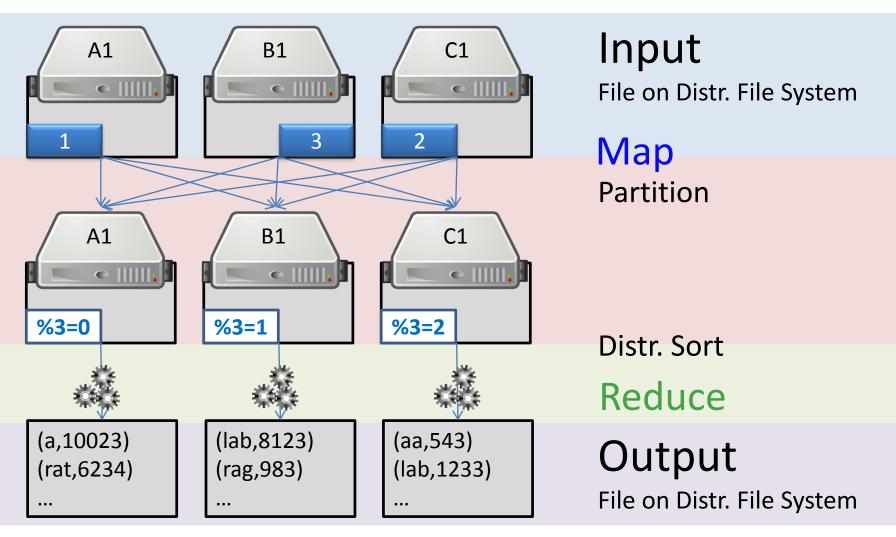
← But how to implement this part in a distributed system

THIS IS WHERE THE MAGIC HAPPENS

?

- 1. Partition by map key
- 2. Sort (in parallel) by map key
- 3. Apply reduce

MapReduce: Word count



MapReduce (in more detail)

- 1. Input: Read from the cluster (e.g., a DFS)
 - Chunks raw data for mappers
 - Maps raw data to initial (key_{in}, value_{in}) pairs

What might Input contain in the word-count case?

- Map: For each (key_{in},value_{in}) pair, generate zero-tomany (key_{map},value_{map}) pairs
 - key_{in} /value_{in} can be diff. type to key_{map} /value_{map}

What might Map do in the word-count case?



MapReduce (in more detail)

3. Partition: Assign sets of key_{map} values to reducer machines

How might **Partition** work in the word-count case?

- **4.** Shuffle: Data are moved from mappers to reducers (e.g., using DFS)
- 5. Comparison/Sort: Each reducer sorts the data by key using a comparison function
 - Sort is taken care of by the framework

MapReduce (in more detail)

6. <u>Reduce:</u> For each key_{map}, takes the bag of value_{map} entries with that key, and produces zero-to-many outputs, i.e., (key_{reduce}, value_{reduce}) pairs

How might **Reduce** work in the word-count case?

7. Output: Writes the results from the reducers to the distributed file system

MapReduce: Word count pseudo-code

```
function map(String name, String document):
    // name: document name
    // document: document contents
    for each word w in document:
        emit (w, 1)
```

```
function reduce(String word, Iterator partialCounts):
    // word: a word
    // partialCounts: a list of aggregated partial counts
    sum = 0
    for each pc in partialCounts:
        sum += ParseInt(pc)
    emit (word, sum)
```

MAPREDUCE: UNDER THE HOOD

MapReduce

1. Input

2. Map

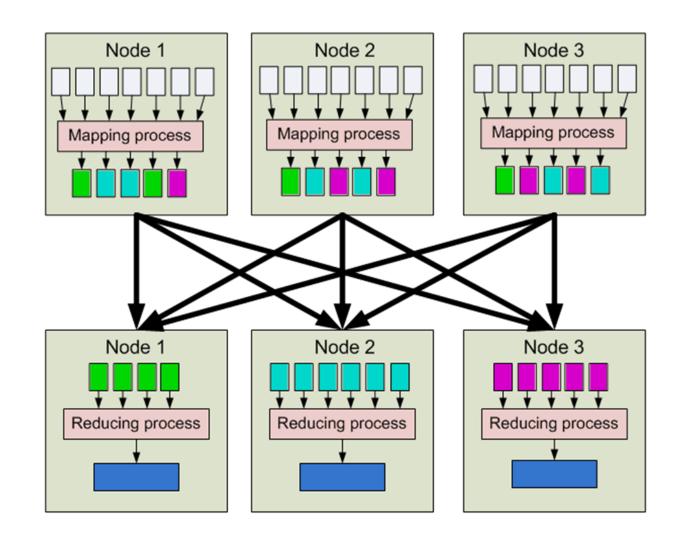
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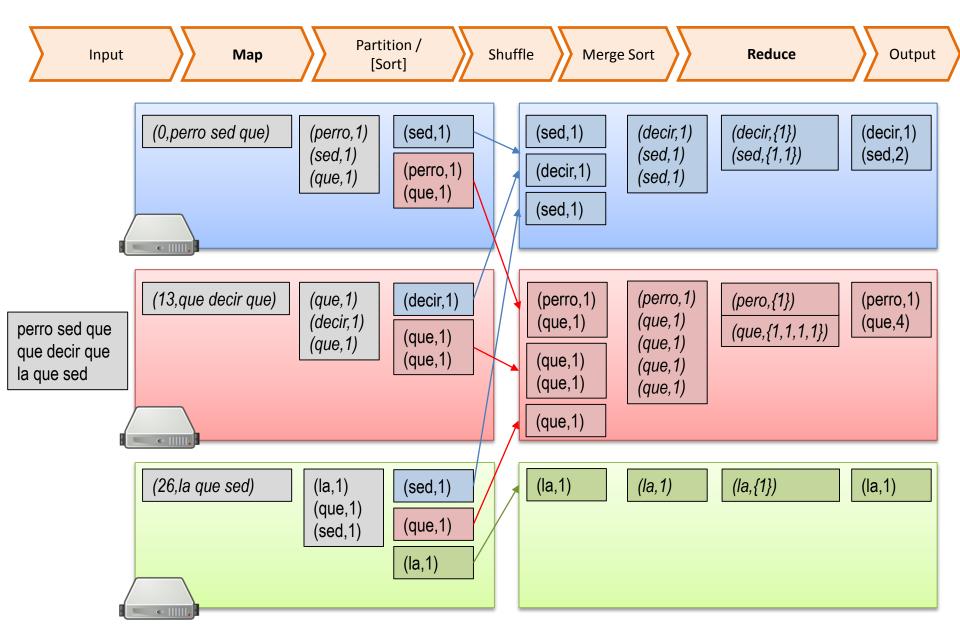
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MapReduce: Counting Words



MapReduce: Combiner

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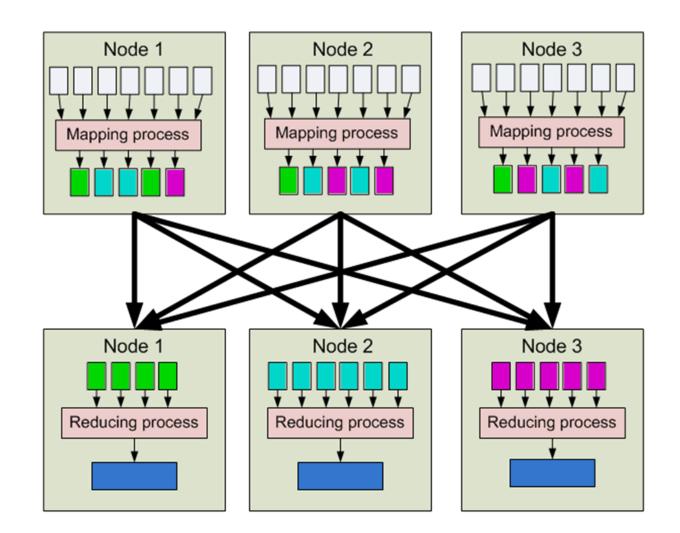
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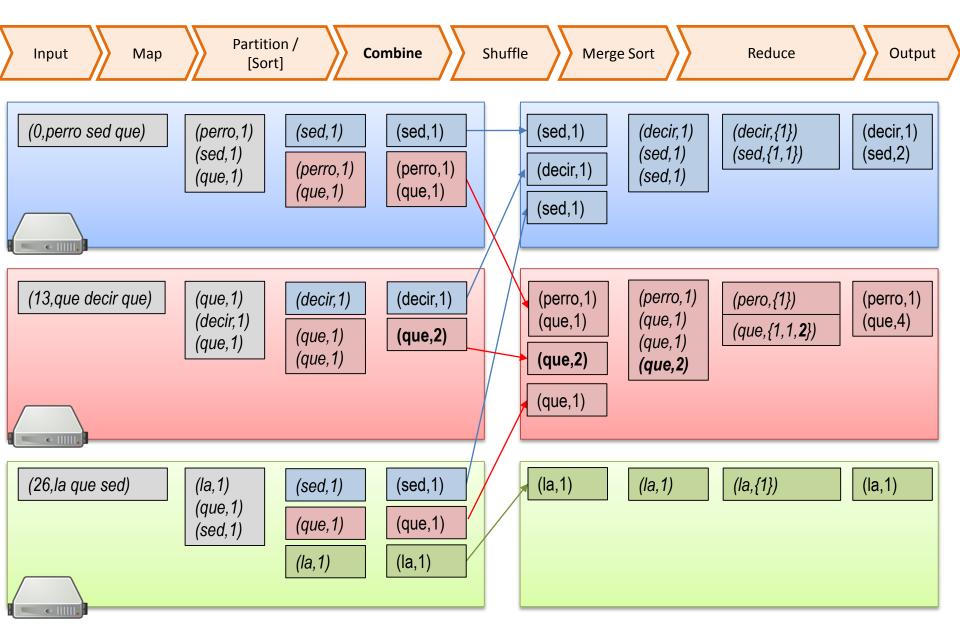
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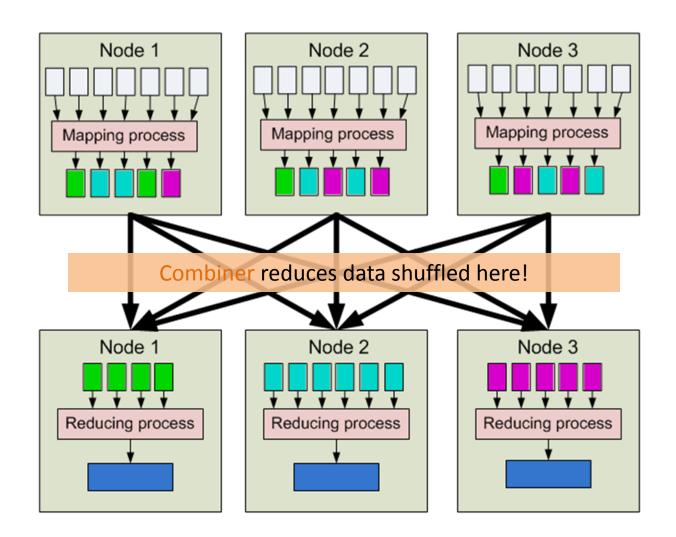
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MAPREDUCE: More complex tasks

Supermarket Example

Supermarket boss wants to know: Do we sell more in the morning hours or the evening hours?

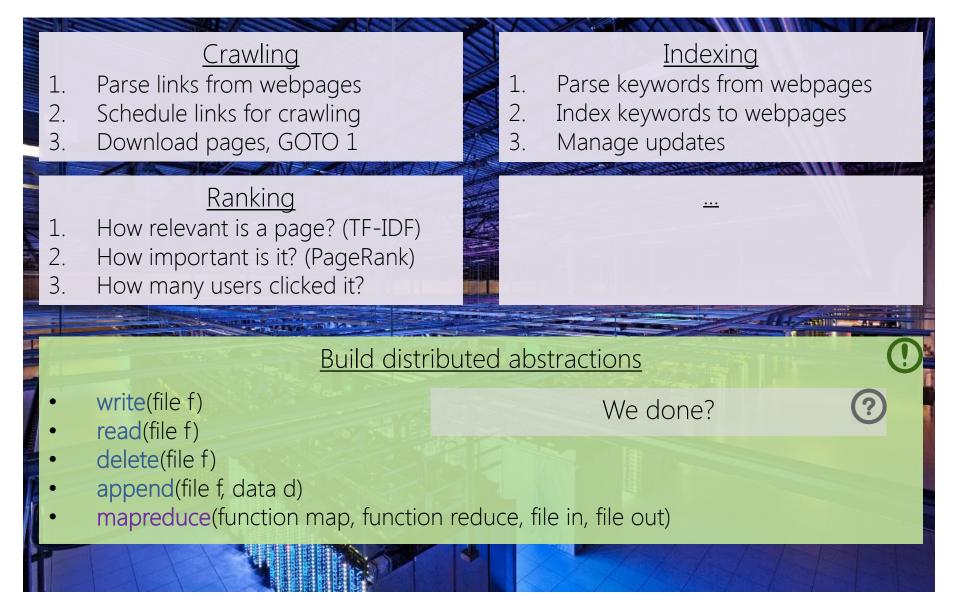
MapReduce: Supermarket Example

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R1402	I007	R1401	18:59	I504	$CocaCola \ 3L$	1400
R1402	I306	R1402	19:01	I007	Comfort	1200
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Compute total sales per hour of the day?

Output		
Hour	Total	
18:00-18:59 19:00-19:59	 \$2400 \$3600 	

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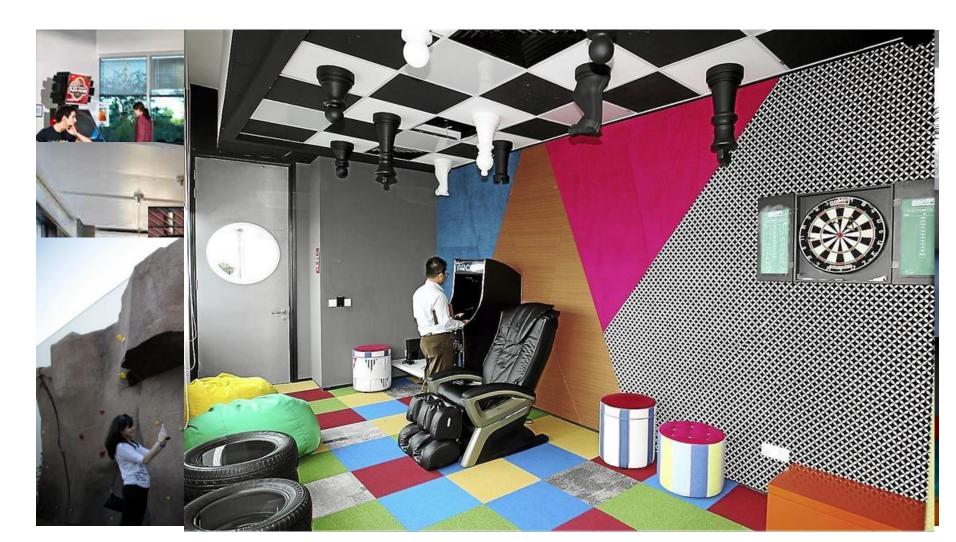


MapReduce: Benefits for Programmers

- Takes care of low-level implementation:
 - Easy to handle inputs and output
 - No need to handle network communication
 - No need to write sorts or joins
- Abstracts machines (transparency)
 - Fault tolerance (through heart-beats)
 - Abstracts physical locations
 - Add / remove machines
 - Load balancing

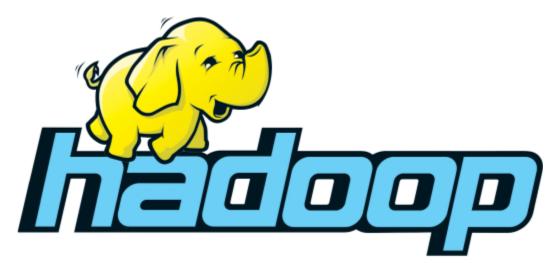
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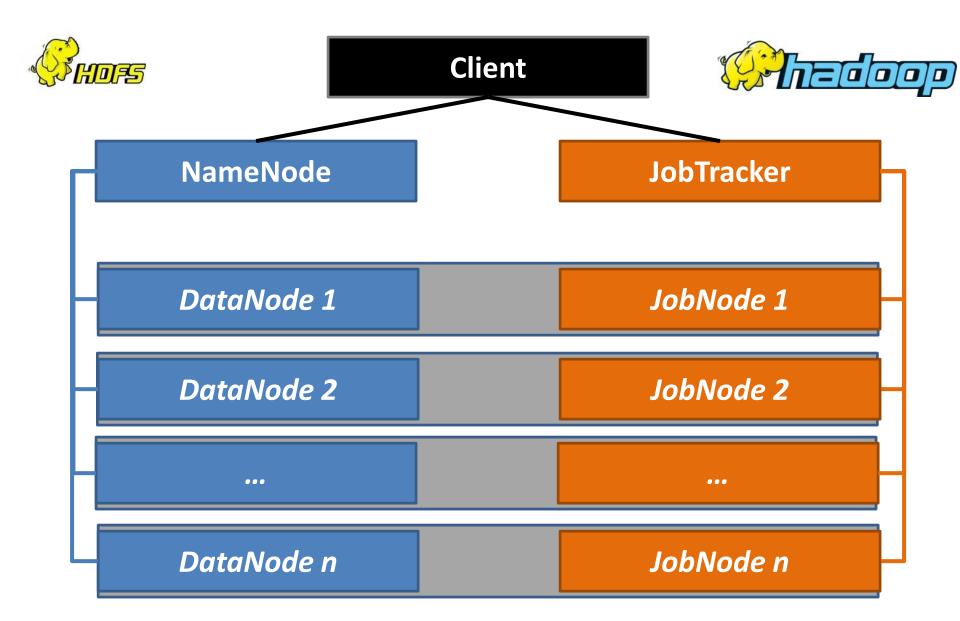
HADOOP OVERVIEW

Hadoop: Open Source MapReduce





HDFS / Hadoop Core Architecture



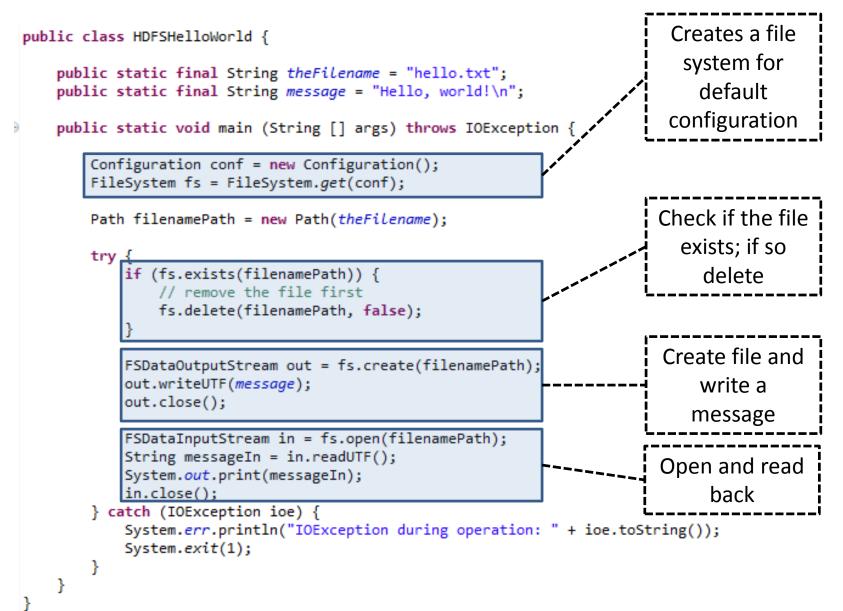
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PROGRAMMING WITH HADOOP

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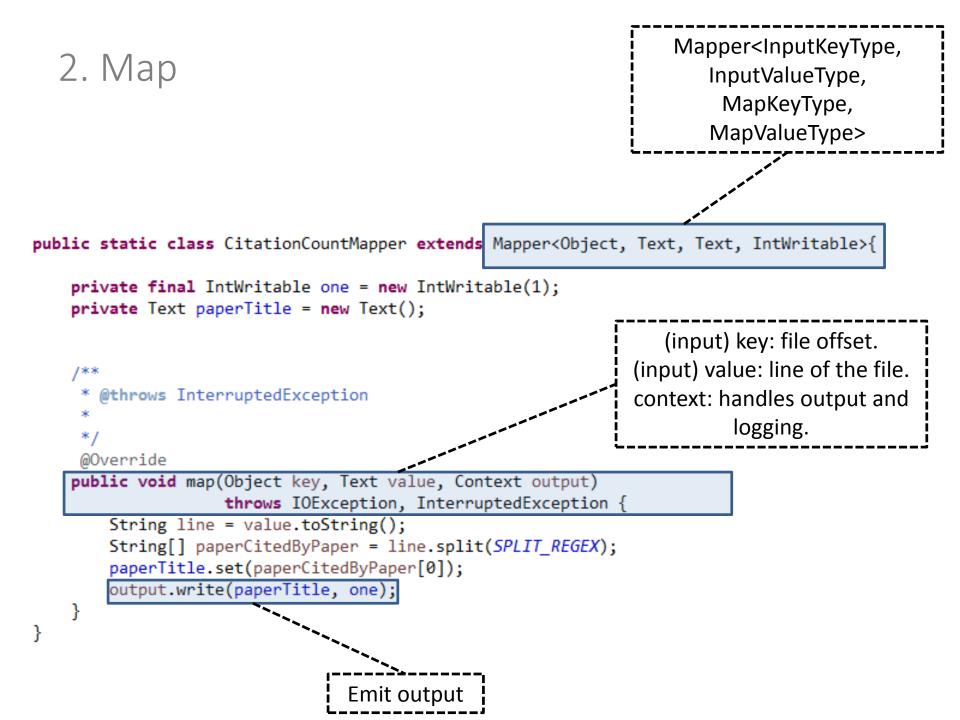
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[-count [-q] <path>]</path>	
[-cp [-f] [-p] <src> <dst>]</dst></src>	
[-createSnapshot <snapshotdir> [<snapshotname>]]</snapshotname></snapshotdir>	
[-deleteSnapshot <snapshotdir> <snapshotname>]</snapshotname></snapshotdir>	
[-df [-h] [<path>]]</path>	
[-du [-s] [-h] <path>]</path>	
[-expunge]	
[-get [-p] [-ignoreCrc] [-crc] <src> <localdst>]</localdst></src>	
[-getmerge [-nl] <src> <localdst>]</localdst></src>	
[-help [cmd]]	
[-ls [-d] [-h] [-R] [<path>]]</path>	
[-mkdir [-p] <path>]</path>	
[-moveFromLocal <localsrc> <dst>]</dst></localsrc>	
[-moveToLocal <src> <localdst>]</localdst></src>	
[-mv <src> <dst>]</dst></src>	
[-put [-f] [-p] <localsrc> <dst>]</dst></localsrc>	
[-renameSnapshot <snapshotdir> <oldname> <newname>]</newname></oldname></snapshotdir>	
[-rm [-f] [-r -R] [-skipTrash] <src>]</src>	
[-rmdir [ignore-fail-on-non-empty] <dir>]</dir>	
[-setrep [-R] [-w] <rep> <path>]</path></rep>	
[-stat [format] <path>]</path>	Υ.

1. Input/Output (Java)



1. Input (Java)

InputFormat:	Description:	Key:	Value:
TextInputFormat	Default format; reads lines of text files	The byte offset of the line	The line contents
KeyValueInputFormat	Parses lines into key, val pairs	Everything up to the first tab character	The remainder of the line
SequenceFileInputFormat	A Hadoop-specific high- performance binary format	user-defined	user-defined



(Writable *for values*)

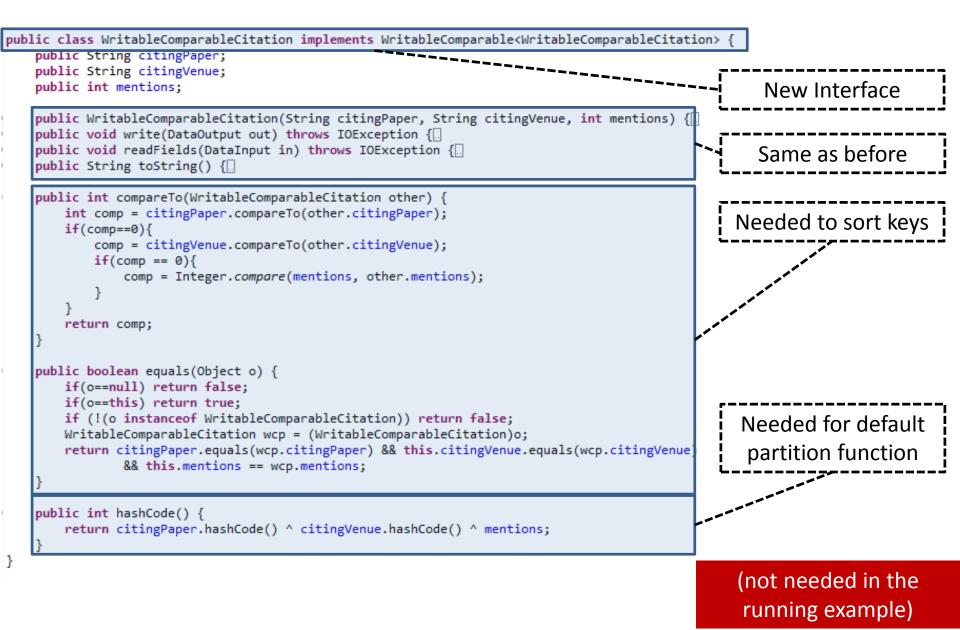
package ejemplo;

import java.io.DataInput; import java.io.DataOutput; import java.io.IOException;

```
import org.apache.hadoop.io.Writable;
```

```
public class WritableCitation implements Writable
    public String citingPaper;
    public String citingVenue;
    public int mentions;
    public WritableCitation(String citingPaper, String citingVenue, int mentions) {
        this.citingPaper = citingPaper;
        this.citingVenue = citingVenue;
        this.mentions = mentions;
    }
    public void write(DataOutput out) throws IOException {
        out.writeUTF(citingPaper);
        out.writeUTF(citingVenue);
        out.writeInt(mentions);
    ł
                                                                                           Same order
    public void readFields(DataInput in) throws IOException {
        citingPaper = in.readUTF();
        citingVenue = in.readUTF();
        mentions = in.readInt();
    ŀ
    public String toString() {
        return citingPaper +"\t" + citingVenue + "\t" + mentions;
                                                                                         (not needed in the
    }
}
                                                                                          running example)
```

(WritableComparable for keys/values)



3. Partition

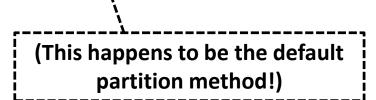
package ejemplo;

```
import org.apache.hadoop.mapred.JobConf;...
```

public class PartitionCites<E> implements Partitioner<WritableComparableCitation, E> {

```
@Override
public int getPartition(WritableComparableCitation key, E val, int machines) {
    return Math.abs(key.hashCode() % machines);
```

@Override
public void configure(JobConf arg0) {



(not needed in the running example)

PartitionerInterface

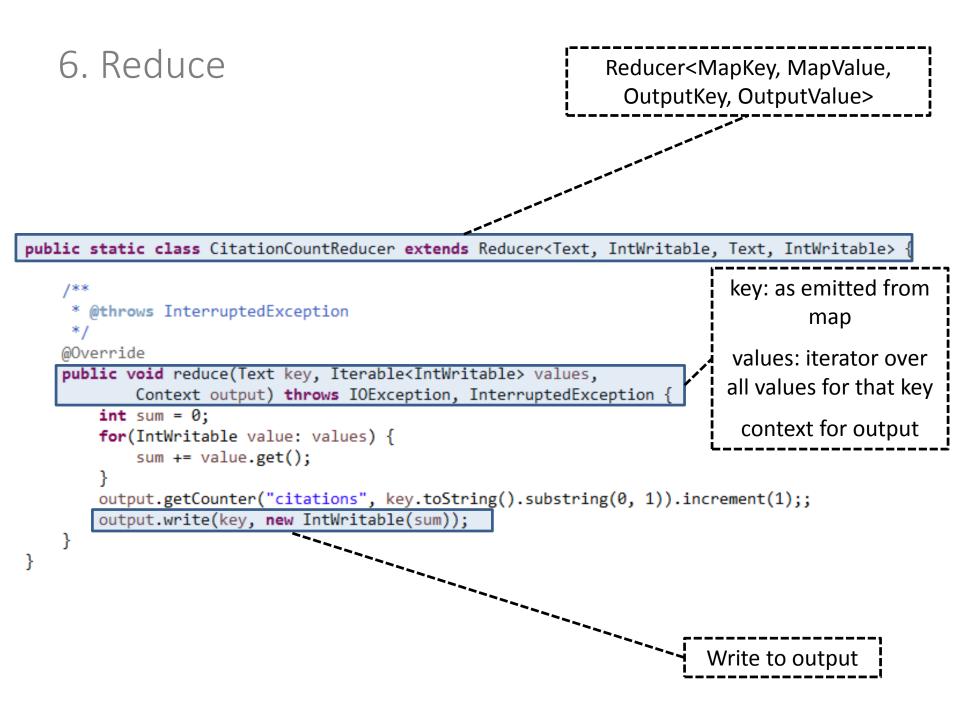
4. Shuffle



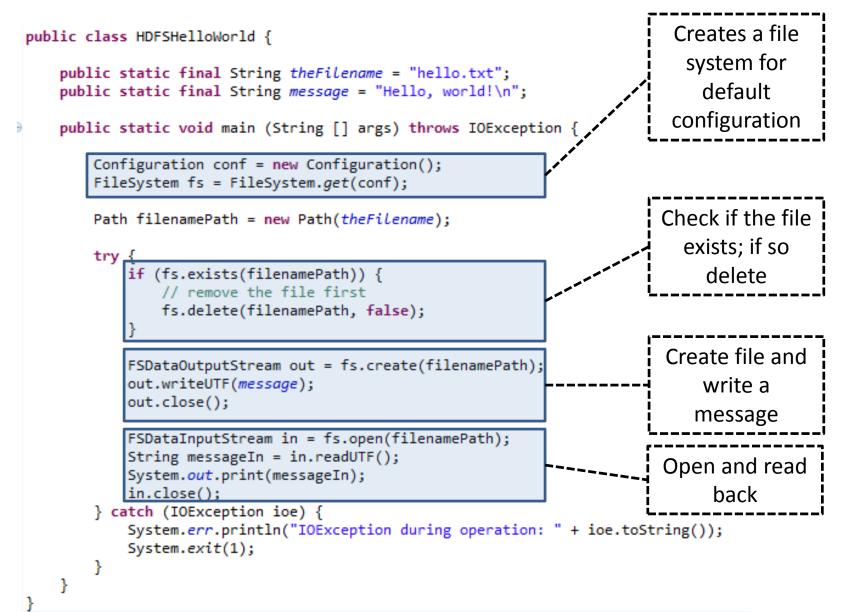
5. Sort/Comparison

```
public class WritableComparableCitation implements WritableComparable<WritableComparableCitation> {
   public String citingPaper;
   public String citingVenue;
   public int mentions;
   public WritableComparableCitation(String citingPaper, String citingVenue, int mentions) {[]
   public void write(DataOutput out) throws IOException {[]
   public void readFields(DataInput in) throws IOException {[]
   public String toString() {[]
   public int compareTo(WritableComparableCitation other) {
       int comp = citingPaper.compareTo(other.citingPaper);
       if(comp==0){
                                                                                                      Methods in
            comp = citingVenue.compareTo(other.citingVenue);
           if(comp == 0){
                                                                                               WritableComparator
               comp = Integer.compare(mentions, other.mentions);
       return comp;
   public boolean equals(Object o) {
       if(o==null) return false;
       if(o==this) return true;
       if (!(o instanceof WritableComparableCitation)) return false;
       WritableComparableCitation wcp = (WritableComparableCitation)o;
       return citingPaper.equals(wcp.citingPaper) && this.citingVenue.equals(wcp.citingVenue)
               && this.mentions == wcp.mentions;
   }
   public int hashCode() {
       return citingPaper.hashCode() ^ citingVenue.hashCode() ^ mentions;
   }
}
```

(not needed in the running example)



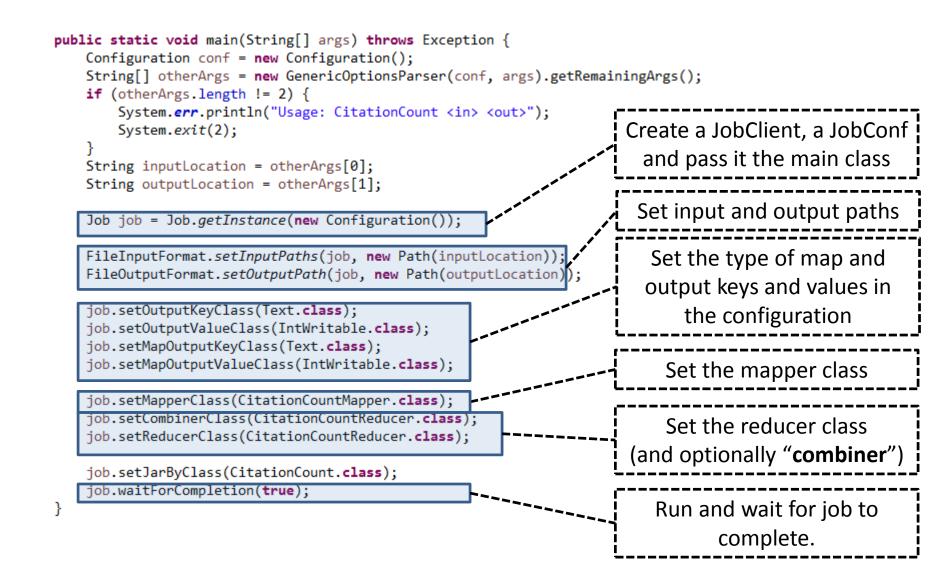
7. Output / Input (Java)



7. Output (Java)

OutputFormat:	Description
TextOutputFormat	Default; writes lines in "key \t value" form
SequenceFileOutputFormat	Writes binary files suitable for reading into subsequent MapReduce jobs
NullOutputFormat	Disregards its inputs

Control Flow

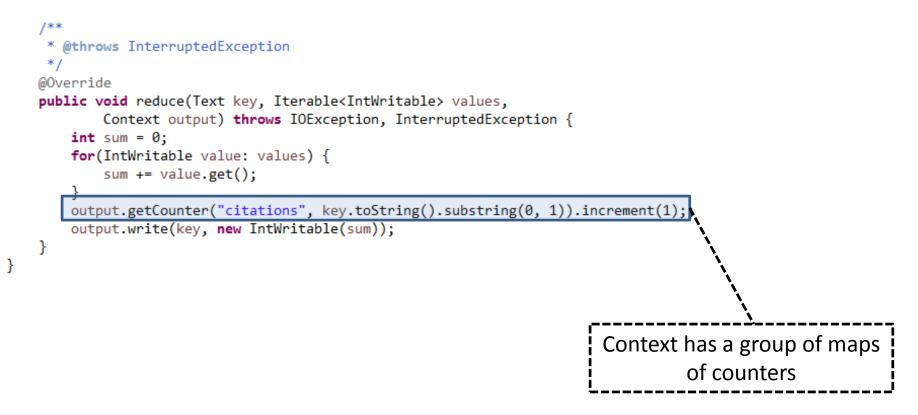


More in Hadoop: Combiner

- Map-side "mini-reduction"
- Keeps a fixed-size buffer in memory
- Reduce within that buffer
 - e.g., count words in buffer
 - Lessens bandwidth needs
- In Hadoop: can simply use Reducer class ☺

More in Hadoop: Counters

public static class CitationCountReducer extends Reducer<Text, IntWritable, Text, IntWritable> {



More in Hadoop: Distributed Cache

- Some tasks need "global knowledge"
 - For example, a white-list of conference venues and journals that should be considered in the citation count
 - Typically small
- Use a distributed cache:
 - Makes data available locally to all nodes
 - Use sparingly!!

