GRAPH/Z: A Key-Value Store Based Scalable Graph Processing System

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Abstract

The emerging applications in big data and social networks issue rapidly increasing demands on graph processing. Graph query operations that involve a large number of vertices and edges can be tremendously slow on traditional databases. The state of the art graph processing systems and databases usually adopt master/slave architecture that potentially impairs their scalability. This work describes the design and implementation of a new graph processing system based on Bulk Synchronous Parallel model. Our system is built on top of ZHT, a scalable distributed key-value store, which benefits the graph processing in terms of scalability, performance and persistency. The experiment results imply excellent scalability.

Motivation

- ☐ Emerging uses of large graph data sets
- □ SQL databases don't handle it well
- ☐ Large data set can not fit in memory
- ☐ Current systems don't allow data change

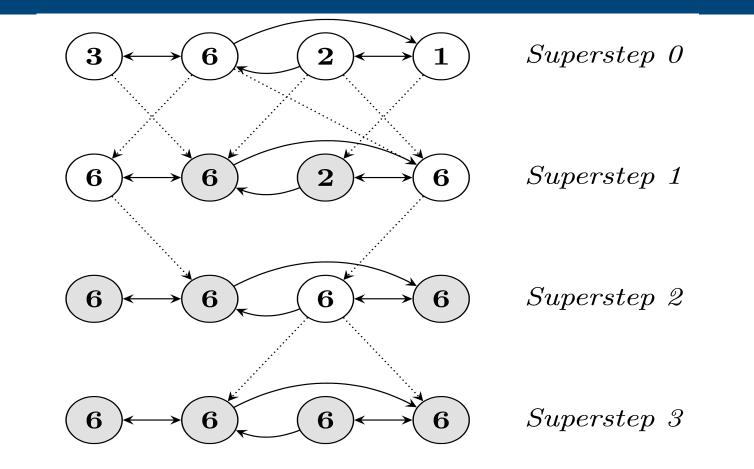
Contributions

- ☐ A BSP model graph processing system on top of ZHT.
- ☐ Utilizing data-locality and minimize data movement between nodes.
- ☐ Benchmarks up to 16-nodes scales.

BSP model

BSP^[1] model

- ☐ Think like a vertex
- Vertices compute
- Edges communicate



Maximum Value Example. Dotted lines are messages. Shaded vertices have voted to halt. Figure from the Pregel paper, SIGMOD10 [2]

Design and Architecture

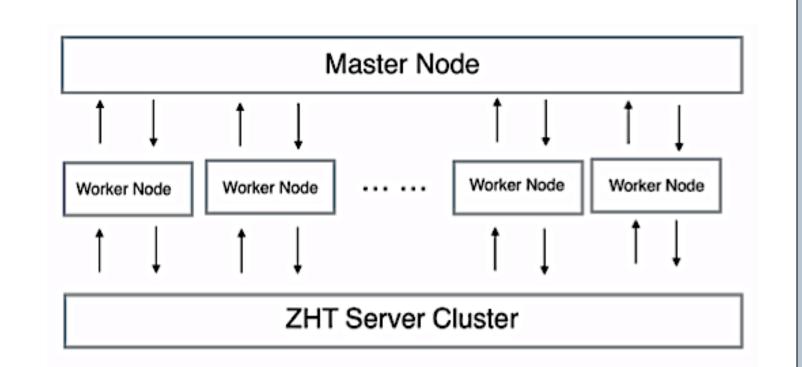
Design

- ☐ A Pregel^[2] like graph distributed processing system
- ☐ Master: coordinates synchronization
- ☐ Use ZHT^[3-5] as back end
- ☐ Store both intermediate and final result in ZHT

Features

- ☐ Handle large data sets
- ☐ Don't need to fit all data in main memory
- ☐ Dynamic data modification during running
- ☐ Load balance
- ☐ Fault tolerance
- ☐ Support checkpointing

Superstep 1 Machine 1 Machine 2 Machine 3 Machine 3 Communication Barrier



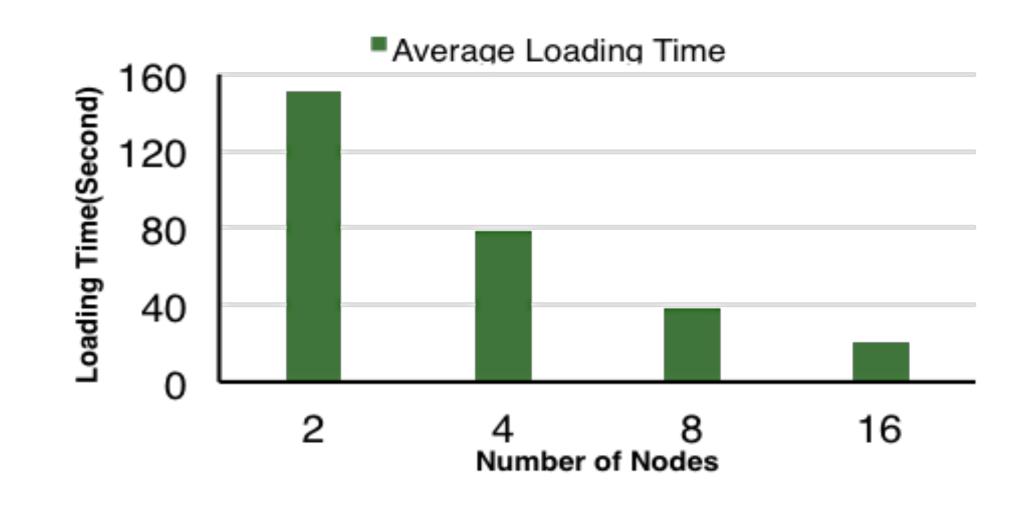
Graph/Z system architecture

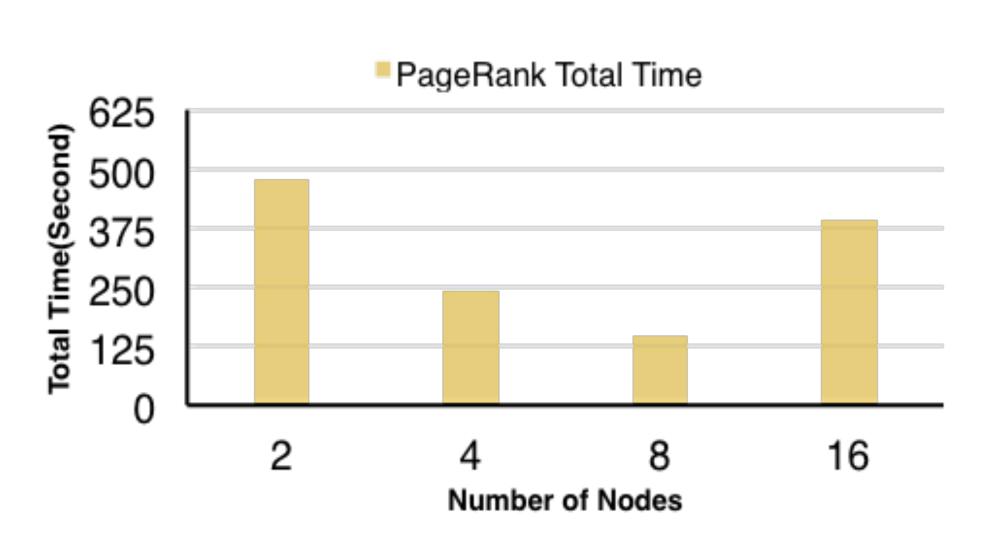
Evaluation

Experiment setup

- ☐ Test bed
 - 2-16 m3.2large Amazon EC2 spot instances
 - 2.5 GHz Xeon, 30GB RAM
- Data set
 - Web-Google from SNAP (Stanford Network Analysis Project)
 - 1M vertices and 5M edges

Preliminary results





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