Elasecutor: Elastic Executor Scheduling in Data Analytics Systems

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Efficient resource scheduling is an important and practical issue in data analytics systems

Current Solutions

- Static allocation according to peak demands
- "Task-based" resource schedulers adopted in "executor-based" systems
- Assign executors to machines randomly









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Outline

Motivation

- Elasecutor Design
 - Elastic Executor Scheduling
 - Demand Prediction
 - Dynamic Reprovisioning
- Implementation
- Evaluation
- Conclusion

Elastic Executor Scheduling

- Challenge
 - Scheduling executors with their multi-resource demand time-series
 - Multi-dimensional packing
 - APX-hard
 - Analyzed in detail in section 3.2.1
- Objective
 - Minimizing makespan
 - i.e., avoid resource underutilization and minimize machine-level resource fragmentation

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Why DRR

- Convert multi-dimensional metrics into scalars
- Better reflect resource utilization

- "Maximum", not "Minimum"

- Better than alternative metric TRC
 - TRC sums up the relative remaining capacity of each resource

Design Choices	N	ſlakespan	ACT			
Design Choices	Average	Median	Stdev.	50th	90th	99th
DRR vs. TRC	11.5%	13.4%	5.7%	2.3%	6.1%	11.0%

Improvement of DRR over TRC as an alternative metric for executor placement

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Prediction Module

- Recurring workloads
 - Average resource time series of the latest 3 runs as the prediction result
- New workloads
 - Support Vector Regression

Dynamic Reprovisioning

- To prevent possible prediction errors and unpredicted issues
- Mechanism
 - Monitoring stage execution time
 - Once observing longer than 1.1x expected one
 - Allocating all remaining resource to the executor for one monitoring period

Implementation

- Spark 2.1.0
- Allocation Module (Cgroups, modified OpenJDK)
- Scheduling Module
- Resource Usage Depository
- Reprovisioning Module
- Prediction Module
- Monitor Surrogate



















Testbed Experiments

Testbed Setup

- 35 dell servers
- Each server with two CPUs, 64GB RAM, and a quad-port 10GbE NIC
- A 10GbE Switch
- Methodology
 - 120 recurring applications with different workloads, input data sizes, and resource settings
 - 12 new applications
 - Arriving according to a Poisson process

Schemes Compared

- Static
 - Statically allocating CPU and memory for each executor based on peak demands
 - Launching a fixed number of executors
- Dynamic
 - Scaling the number of executors dynamically,
 - each executor allocated a multiple of <1 core, 2GB RAM>
- Tetris (SIGCOMM'14)
 - Allocating peak demanded resources to executors
 - BFD-like algorithm for executor placement

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Conclusion

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- Elastically allocating resources to avoid overallocation
- Placing executors strategically to minimize multiresource fragmentation
- Experiment results
 - Reducing makespan by more than 42% on average
 - Reducing the median application completion time by up to 40%
 - Improving cluster resource utilization by up to 55%

Thanks! Q & A

Overhead

Resource Consumption	CPU	Memory	Total executor profile size
Monitor surrogate	0.3%	0.1%	12.1 KB

Monitor surrogate's resource consumption

Time to process (ms)	Unmodified Spark	Elasecutor
Worker heartbeat	~0.031	~0.035
Application driver heartbeat	~0.153	~0.155

Resource scheduler's processing delay

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