Yahoo! Experience with Hadoop

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Why Yahoo! is investing in Hadoop

We started with building better applications

- Scale up web scale batch applications (search, ads, ...)
- Factor out common code from existing systems, so new applications will be easier to write
- Manage the many clusters we have more easily

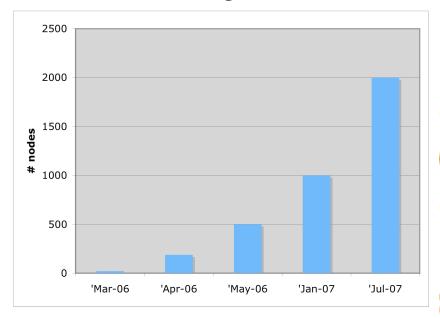
The mission now includes research support

- Build a huge data warehouse with many Yahoo! data sets
- Couple it with a huge compute cluster and programming models to make using the data easy
- Provide this as a service to our researchers
- We are seeing great results!
 - Experiments can be run much more quickly in this environment



Scaling Hadoop

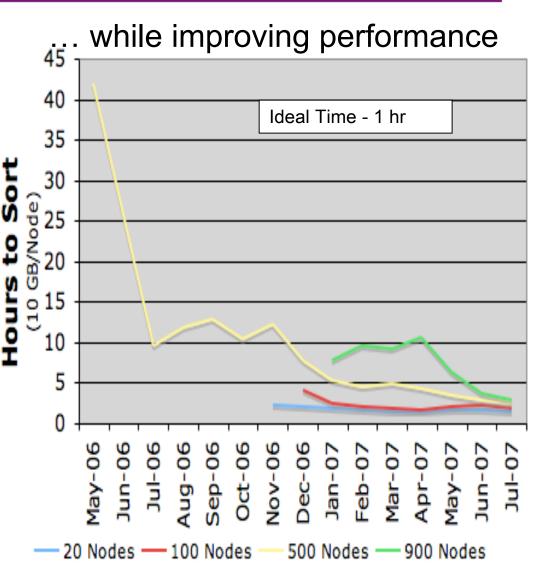
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Hardware used in the benchmark

–dual 2.8 GHz xeons with 4 SATA drives each

-10:1 network oversubscription (100mBit all to all)



Yahoo! Inc.



- We have ~10,000 machines running Hadoop
- Our largest cluster is currently 1600 nodes
- Nearly 1 petabyte of user data (compressed, unreplicated)
- We run roughly 10,000 research jobs / week





The Problem

– Yahoo! crawls billions of pages per day, how do you detect when one site has a problem?

The Solution

- We load the crawl logs into Hadoop (via a map-reduce job)
- We aggregate reports by site over time and flag sites where the crawl behavior has changed
- This generates a report to customer service every day
- They contact web masters and get sites fixed

Example: Web Survey

The Problem

- How do you know if new web technologies or products are gaining adoption on the web?
 - Is a micro-format being adopted by webmasters?
 - Which web2.0 site badges are being used?

The Solution

- We load our web crawl into Hadoop every month
- We scan this for use of various technologies / products
- Thus tracing the adoption of such technologies over time