

SBKMA: Sorting based K-Means Clustering Algorithm using Multi Machine Technique for Big Data

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Abstract: Multi Machine Clustering technique combined with K-Means clustering algorithm is one of the very efficient method used in the Big Data to mine and analyse the data for insights. One of the main disadvantages of K-means clustering algorithms is the deficiency in randomly identifying the K number of clusters and centroids. This results in more number of iterations and increased execution times to arrive at the optimal centroid. As a result, the number of iterations and the execution time increases due to multiple iterations in order to arrive at the optimal centroid, and due to a convergence in arriving at the cluster. This paper discusses a modified algorithm to overcome the above said inefficiencies. SBKMA: Sorting based K-Means Clustering Algorithm using Multi Machine Technique introduced in this paper helps reduce the number of iterations and decreases the execution time significantly

Keywords: Big Data, clustering, K-means algorithm, Hadoop MapReduce.

1. INTRODUCTION

The need for Big Data Analysis has tremendously increased in the recent years. Many social networking websites such as Facebook, Twitter have billions of users who produce gigabytes of contents per minute, similarly many online retail stores conduct business worth millions of dollars. Hence it is necessary to have efficient tools to analyse and group the data and derive meaningful information [1]. Clustering is one such technique which helps derive meaningful insights from Big Data. This technique is the task of grouping the data such that the objects in same group are similar to each other than those in the other group. In the recent times multiple machine clustering techniques have gained significant attention because they have proved to be faster and scalable. K-means is a very powerful partition clustering algorithm because it is a very simple, statistical and quite scalable method. K-means algorithm implemented on Apache Hadoop distributed across multiple machines has become a viable and proven method for clustering Big Data.

In this paper, we have proposed a modified algorithm SBKMA: Sorting based K-Means Clustering Algorithm using Multi Machine Technique to the traditional K-Means algorithm to help overcome inefficiencies in the traditional method. As a result there is a reduction in the number of iterations thereby improving the efficiency to form the clusters in less time. This paper elaborates the proposed SBKMA algorithm further. It discusses other related and relevant work in section II, clustering techniques with Hadoop are mentioned in section III, the proposed SBKMA algorithm is discussed in section IV and results are illustrated in section V.

2. RELATED WORK

Yaminee S. Patil et al., [2] presents the implementation of K-Means Clustering Algorithm over a distributed environment using Apache Hadoop. This work explains the design of K-Means Algorithm using Mapper

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and Reducer routines It also provides the steps involved in the implementation and execution of the K-Means Algorithm.

Dilpreet Singh et al.,[3]. This paper analyses different hardware platforms available for big data and assesses the advantages and disadvantages of each of these platforms based on various metrics such as scalability, data I/O rate, fault tolerance, real-time processing, data size supported and iterative task support. In addition a detail view on the software in different platforms were also studied.

N. Vishnupriya et al.[5], In this method K Means Algorithm is used to cluster the data for different type of datasets in Hadoop framework and calculate the Sum of Squared Error value for the given data.

Mugdha Jain et al. [4]. Describes modified algorithm based on k-means. It is an innovative method for big data analysis which can be very quick, scalable and highly accurate. It deals in overcoming the disadvantages of k-means of uncertain number of iterations by fixing the number of iterations, without losing the precision.

Xiao Cai, et al[9].propose a new robust multi-view K-means clustering method to integrate heterogeneous features for clustering. Gopi Gandhi, Rohit Srivastava [10] suggests different Partitioning techniques, such as kmeans, kmedoids and clarans. In terms of dataset attributes, the objects with in single clusters are of similar characteristics where the objects of different cluster have dissimilar characteristics

3. CLUSTERING TECHNIQUES IN BIG DATA

Big data clustering techniques has two major categories namely Single Machine Clustering Technique and Multi-Machine Clustering Technique [1].

In Fig.1 the list of clustering technique and the Algorithms are shown.

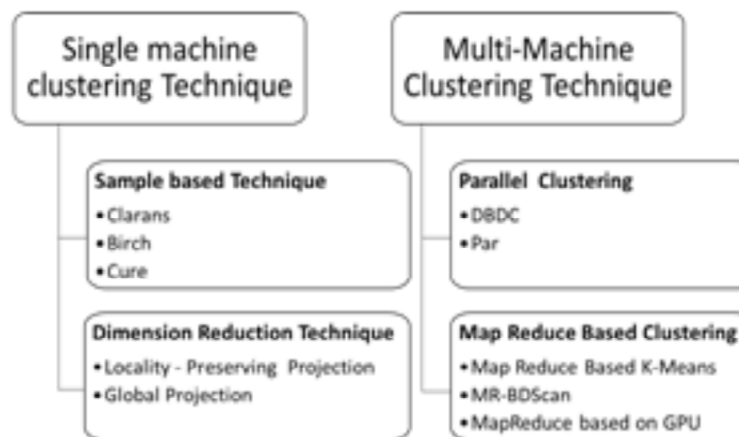


Figure 1: Clustering Techniques

This paper considers the Multi-Machine clustering technique. The Multi-Machine clustering techniques are preferred to be most effective technique due to more scalability and better response time.

3.1. Hadoop Map Reduce

MapReduce [6] is a processing technique and a program model for distributed computing based on java. The MapReduce algorithm contains two important tasks, namely Map and Reduce. Map takes a set of data and converts it into another set of data, where individual elements are broken down into tuples (key/value pairs). Secondly, reduce task, which takes the output from a map as an input and combines those data tuples into a smaller set of tuples. As the sequence of the name MapReduce implies, the reduce task is always performed after the map job.

The major advantage of MapReduce [6] is that it is easy to scale data processing over multiple computing nodes. Under the MapReduce model, the data processing primitives are called mappers and reducers. Decomposing a data processing application into mappers and reducers is sometimes nontrivial. But, once we write an application in the MapReduce form, scaling the application to run over hundreds, thousands, or even tens of thousands of machines in a cluster is merely a configuration change. This simple scalability is what has attracted many programmers to use the MapReduce model.

3.2. Traditional K Means Algorithm

The basic idea of K-means algorithm is given by S. Yu, L. C. Tranchevent and X. H. Liu and T. W. Chen, C. H. Sun, H. H. Su, S. Y. Chien, D. Deguchi, I. Ide and H. Murase[7,8]. In K-Means algorithm, the objects are grouped based on the distance from the centre of each cluster and update it to the nearest cluster. The Average of each cluster is calculated and this process is repeated until the objective function converges. Here the objective function is the sum of the distance of each point to its centroid.

The Traditional K means algorithm is given is given below.

- Step 1: Randomly select k data objects from data set D as initial centers.
- Step 2: Repeat;
- Step 3: Calculate the distance between each data object d_i ($1 \leftarrow i \leftarrow n$) and all k clusters C_j ($1 \leftarrow j \leftarrow k$) and assign data object d_i to the nearest cluster.
- Step 4: For each cluster j ($1 \leftarrow j \leftarrow k$), recalculate the cluster center.
- Step 5: Until no change in the center of clusters.

The disadvantages of the Traditional K-Means algorithm is that it works well for numeric data and not for other data sets. The initial clustering centroid is random

3.3. Enhanced K-Means Algorithm

The Enhanced K-Means Algorithm is an extension of the Traditional K-Means Algorithm. In the Enhanced K-Means clustering [11] algorithm, the centroids are fixed and the number of clusters are fixed. Hence it is easier than traditional K-Means clustering algorithm.

The Enhanced K-Means algorithm is given below in two phases.

Phase-I: To find the initial clusters

- Step 1: Find the size of cluster S_i ($1 = i = k$) by Floor (n/k). Where n = number of data points D_p ($a_1, a_2, a_3 \dots a_n$) K = number of clusters.
- Step 2: Create K number of Arrays A_k
- Step 3: Move data points (D_p) from Input Array to A_k until $S_i = \text{Floor}(n/k)$.
- Step 4: Continue Step 3 until all D_p removed from input array
- Step 5: Exit with having k initial clusters.

Phase-II: To find the final clusters

- Step 1: Compute the Arithmetic Mean M of all initial clusters C_i
- Step 2: Set $1 \leq j \leq k$
- Step 3: Compute the distance D of all D_p to M of Initial Clusters C_j

Step 4: If D of D_p and M is less than or equal to other distances of M_i ($1 \leq i \leq k$) then D_p stay in same cluster Else D_p having less D is assigned to Corresponding C_i

Step 5: For each cluster C_j ($1 \leq j \leq k$), Recompute the M and move D_p until no change in clusters.

The disadvantage of Enhanced K-Means algorithm is it takes time as it is performed in single machine.

4. SBKMA: SORTING BASED K-MEANS CLUSTERING ALGORITHM USING MULTI MACHINE TECHNIQUE

The Traditional K Means does not use Sorting and uses only Single Machine Clustering Technique and the Enhanced K-Means algorithms uses Searching and not sorting. Also, it uses only the Single Machine Clustering Technique. These issues are considered and overcome in this proposed SBKMA method. In the SBKMA algorithm, the centroids are identified by sorting the objects first and then identifying the mean from the partition done as per the K clusters. Each K clusters are partitioned and mean of each cluster is taken as centroid. Hence number of iterations is considerably reduced. In addition to this enhancements, Multi-Machine clustering technique [1] allows to breakdown the huge amount of data into smaller pieces which can be loaded on different machines and then uses processing power of these machines to solve the problem. Multi Machine technique using Hadoop reduces iterations and decreases the execution time.

The Proposed SBKMA Algorithm is given below.

Step 1: Load the data set

Step 2: Choose k clusters

Step 3: Sort the data set

Step 4: Calculate the mean and chose centroids based on K number of cluster divided.

Step 5: Find the distance between the objects and centroids

Step 6: Group objects with minimum distance

Step 7: Repeat step 4, 5 and 6 till the clusters have no change

Step 8: Stop the program

The Proposed algorithm SBKMA: Sorting based K-Means Clustering Algorithm using Multi Machine technique is given as a flowchart in figure 2

5. EXPERIMENTATION AND ANALYSIS

The Traditional K-Means algorithm, Enhanced K-Means Algorithm and Proposed SBKMA algorithm are implemented in Hadoop MapReduce using Multiple Machine Technique. Initially a java file is created for random generation of 1 TB of mobile dataset in the form of text files. This data is consumed by the Hadoop Map Reduce and the three algorithms are compared for analysis.

Figure 3. gives the results on the time taken for execution by the three algorithms.

The results empirically concludes SBKMA algorithm consumes very less time for execution compared to other Algorithms.

Figure 4 gives the number of iterations compared along with other algorithms. It is very clear that the SBKMA algorithm has a very less iteration compared to the rest of the algorithms.

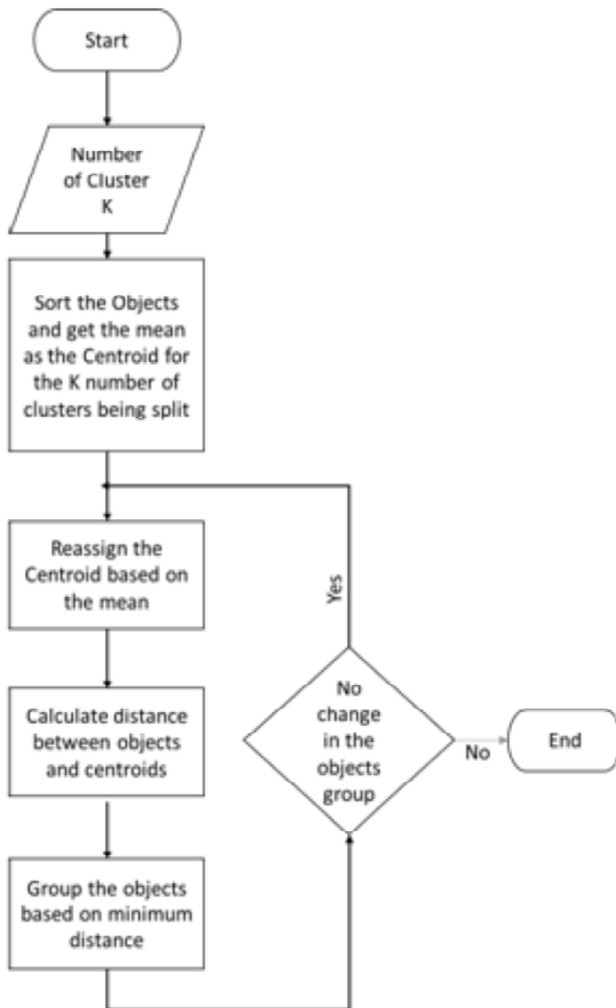


Figure 2: Proposed SBKMA Algorithm

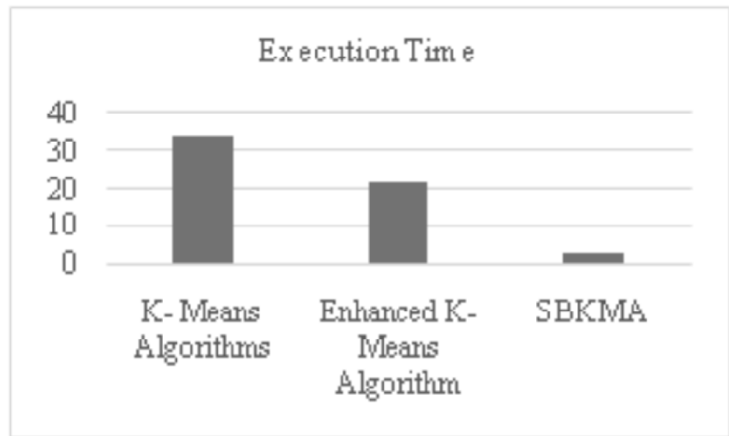


Figure 3: Execution Time (in secs)

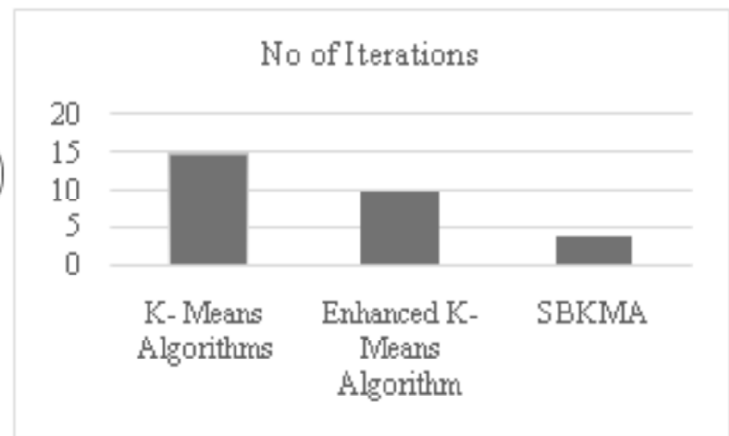


Figure 4: Number of Iterations

6. CONCLUSION

The Algorithm is discussed in the paper is tested with a dataset using Hadoop and MapReduce and is found that it decreases the execution time and the number of iterations compared to other existing algorithms. This can be further extended to get optimal K value with less number of clusters.

Dwindling down to conclude, the paper empirically proves that the proposed K-means based algorithm-SBKMA: Sorting based K-Means Clustering Algorithm using Multi Machine Technique overcomes the inefficiencies in the traditional methods.

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