Data Stream Management Systems: An introduction

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Social Web





Smart Buildings











Smart Meters







Streaming data

Arrives out of order

At varying frequency (sometime bursty)

Continuously arriving (infinite in nature)







"Which countries re-tweeted my messages the most over the last 8 hours?"



Smart Buildings



"Which rooms are consuming more energy?"







"Which neighborhoods have lamps did not start?"



Smart Meters



"Which appliances are consuming most energy?"



Continuous Queries

Continually evaluated whenever new information arrives

Continually producing updates to their results



Streaming Data Applications

- Finance (real-time trading decisions)
- Fraud detection
- Business Intelligence
- Building Automation
- Assisted Living
- Monitoring



Outline

1. Motivation
2. Stream Processing Fundamentals
3. Querying Data Streams (by example)

- Output control
- Windowing
- Blocking Operators
- Insert and Remove Streams



Stream Processing Fundamentals



Stream Processing Systems





Several Challenges

- Processing many events per second (thousands to millions)
- Running thousands of queries
- Detecting very complex event conditions
- Minimization of the development effort (to setup a system that reacts to complex situations)



Engineering Stream Processing Software

- Currently Stream Processing software is (still) developed ad-hoc
- In the 1970s Database Management Systems detached applications from data storage and processing logic
- By the 2000s Data Steam Management Systems promise to detach applications from streaming data processing logic



Database Management Systems

Query user queries Data Sinks persistent store

Data is stored;

Queries are run



Queries are stored;

Data is run



Available DSMSs

Research Systems

- TelegraphCQ, COUGAR, Borealis, STREAMON

Commercial

- Oracle IIg RT
- (IBM DB2, Microsoft SQL-Server soon to follow)

Open Source

- Esper, Twitter Storm, Apache S4, ...



DBMS vs DSMS

DBMS

- Queries are run when submitted and terminate
- Data is pulled
- Optimization occurs upfront (minimize IO effort)

DSMS

- Queries are installed and run continuously
- Data is pushed
- Optimization is dynamic (minimize latency)



Why are DSMS so great?

- Simplify the design of real-time data processing applications
- Very efficient at processing a large number of queries over high data flow rates
 - >500K events/sec on dual CPU machine
 - 500 queries at an arrival rate of 1000 events/ sec (?)



Challenges

- Unbounded Memory: Queries require an unbounded amount of memory to evaluate precisely.
 - Approximate query processing
 - Sliding window query processing
- High data-flow rate: Data arrives at a pace (multi-GB) that floods the CPU
 - Sampling
 - Data synopsis



Querying Data Streams (by example)



Events and Streams

Event

- An occurrence within a particular context
- Refers to the real-world event and to its digital representation (data)

Stream

- Abstracted as an append-only relation with transient tuples
- Events on a given stream have similar structure known upfront



Continuous Queries

- Non-blocking Relational operators extend naturally to stream processing
 - Select, Project, Join are Relational
 - Therefore, SQL also extends naturally to stream processing

Blocking operators such as Grouping and Aggregation require specific operators to be introduced



Basic Continuous Query Block

```
select col_expr1, ..., col_exprn
from stream_def
where select_cond
group by aggr_expr
having having_cond
order by ordering_expr
output output expr
```



The 'Hello World' example

The count of withdrawals of amounts greater than 3

select count(amount)
from Withdrawal
where amount > 3









Output Control

The count of withdrawals of amounts greater than 3, reported at every two events

select count(amount)
from Withdrawal
where amount > 3
output every 2 events





Output Control

The output clause specifies, when, how and at what rate the output is produced

output [after n [s	econds events]]
[[all first	last snapshot]
every output_rate	[seconds events]]



Output control

Output at a fixed rate

The ids of all temperature sensor events every 10 seconds

select sensorId
from TemperatureSensorEvent
output all every 10 seconds



The first of a series temperature drops below 21C a the specified output rate

```
select *
from TemperatureSensor where temp<21
output first every 60 seconds</pre>
```



Input Control





- Windows define a processing context that is updated incrementally
- Type of windows:
 - Batch or Sliding
 - Based on length, based on time, or both



Window queries

The count of withdrawals of amounts greater than 3, on a window of size 2, reported at every two events

select count(amount)
Withdrawal.win:length(4)
where amount > 3
output snapshot every 2 events



Windows



A sliding window definition

Sum of withdrawals over the last 5 seconds

select sum(amount) from Withdrawal.win:time(5 sec)



```
select sum(amount)
from Withdrawal.win:time batch(5 sec)
```



Joins

Joining two event streams

Which accounts under fraud surveillance have had a withdrawal in the last 30 seconds?

1. Fraud warning events stream for which we keep the last 30 minutes (1800 seconds).

2. Withdrawal events stream for which we consider the last 30 seconds.

The streams are joined on account number.



Blocking Operations



Aggregation and Grouping

A simple aggregate definition

Sums of the amounts every 5-seconds

select sum(amount)
from Withdrawal.win:time_batch(5 sec)

Computing aggregates with grouping

Accounts where the average withdrawal amount per account for the last hour of withdrawals is greater then 1000

```
select account, avg(amount)
from Withdrawal.win:time(1 hour)
group by account
having amount > 1000
```



Ordering



Batches of 5 or more stock tick events that are sorted first by price ascending and then by volume descending:

```
select symbol
from StockTickEvent.win:time(60 sec)
output every 5 events
order by price, volume desc
```



Correlated Queries



A simple correlated query

Get all Order events whose quantity is greater that the sum of all the Order quantities over the last hour

```
select *
from OrderEvent oe
where qty >
  (select sum(qty)
   from OrderEvent.win:time(1 hour) pd
   where pd.client = oe.client)
```



Insert and Remove Streams



Insert and remove streams

What should be result of the query that alerts all accounts that have more that 2 withdrawals with the last 5 mins (of 1000 euro)?

```
select accnt_no, count(*) as n_withdrawals
from Withdrawal.win:time(5 min)
where amount > 1000
group by acct_no
having count(*) = 2
```





Insert and remove streams



- Sources, channels, operators and sinks must handle positive (insert) and negative (remove) update streams
- The semantics of all operators must be defined accordingly





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