

Efficient Big Data Exploration with SQL and Apache Drill

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code jam

`System.out.println("hello, world!");`



Agenda

- Introduction
- Demo: starting with Drill
- Technical details
- Demo: deep dive into Drill
- Summary, Q & A

Introduction



Computers – before

www.amibay.com/showthread.php?71410-Atari-65XE-BOX-XC12-BOX-2-Quickshots



Data – before



Data – now



Computers – now



What is Apache Drill ?

- low latency distributed schema-free SQL query engine for large-scale datasets
- designed to scale to several thousands of nodes and query petabytes of data at the speeds required by BI/Analytics environments



Demo: starting with Drill



A photograph showing a man in a brown shirt and grey pants working with scientific equipment in a sandy, outdoor environment. He is kneeling, focused on a yellow handheld device connected to a white cylinder. In the background, several large metal and yellow cases are scattered across the sand, along with other pieces of equipment like a white spherical sensor and a black cable. A prominent yellow case is open in the foreground, revealing its interior.

Technical details

Basic info

Website	drill.apache.org
Current version	1.9.0
Query language	SQL:2003
Interfaces	shell, web console, JDBC/ODBC, REST API, Java API, C++ API



Supported data sources and formats



ORACLE®

PostgreSQL



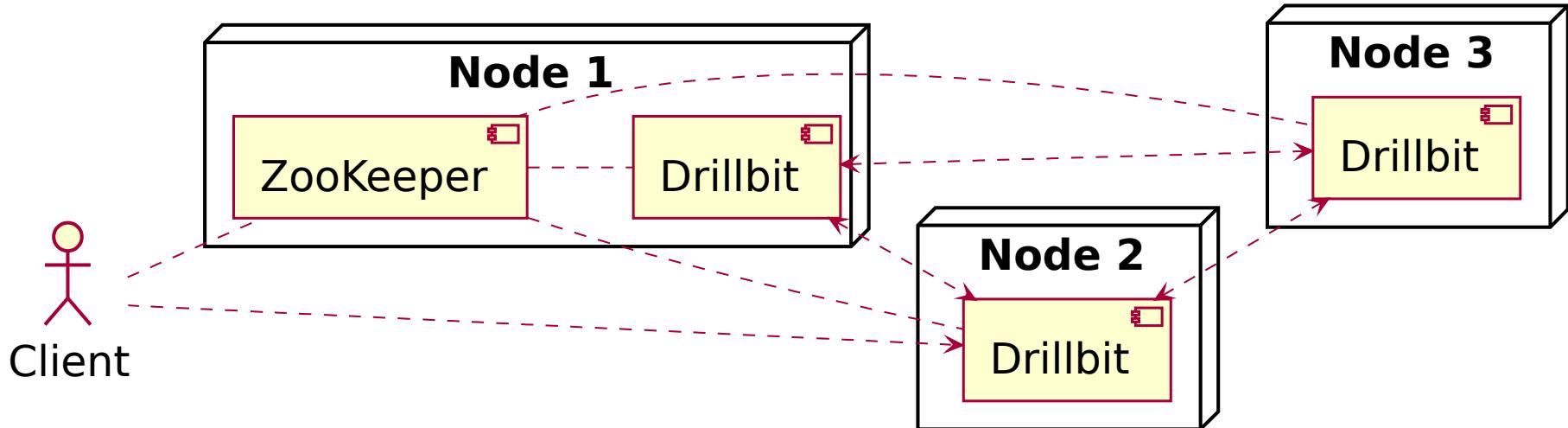
SYBASE®



Features

- Dynamic schema discovery
- Flexible data model
- In-memory data processing (whenever possible)
- Extensible architecture
- Distributed and embedded mode

Distributed setup



Sample query

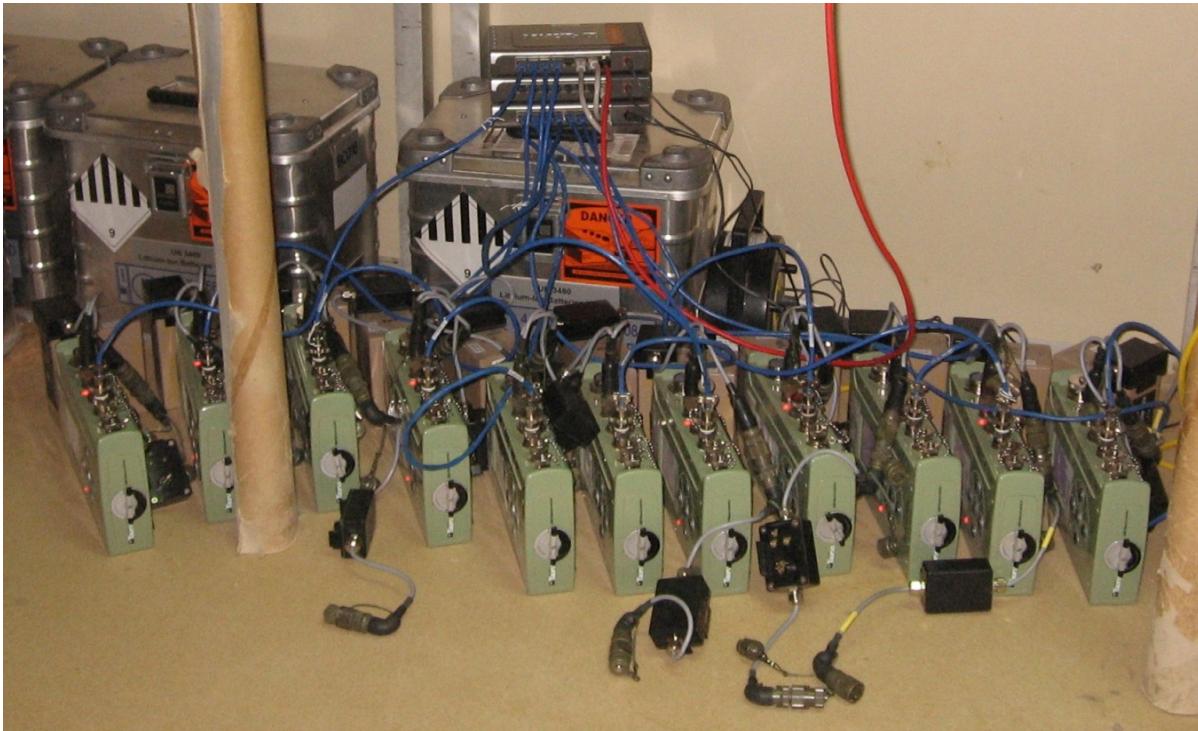
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select * from dfs.demo.`countries.csv`
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storage plugin

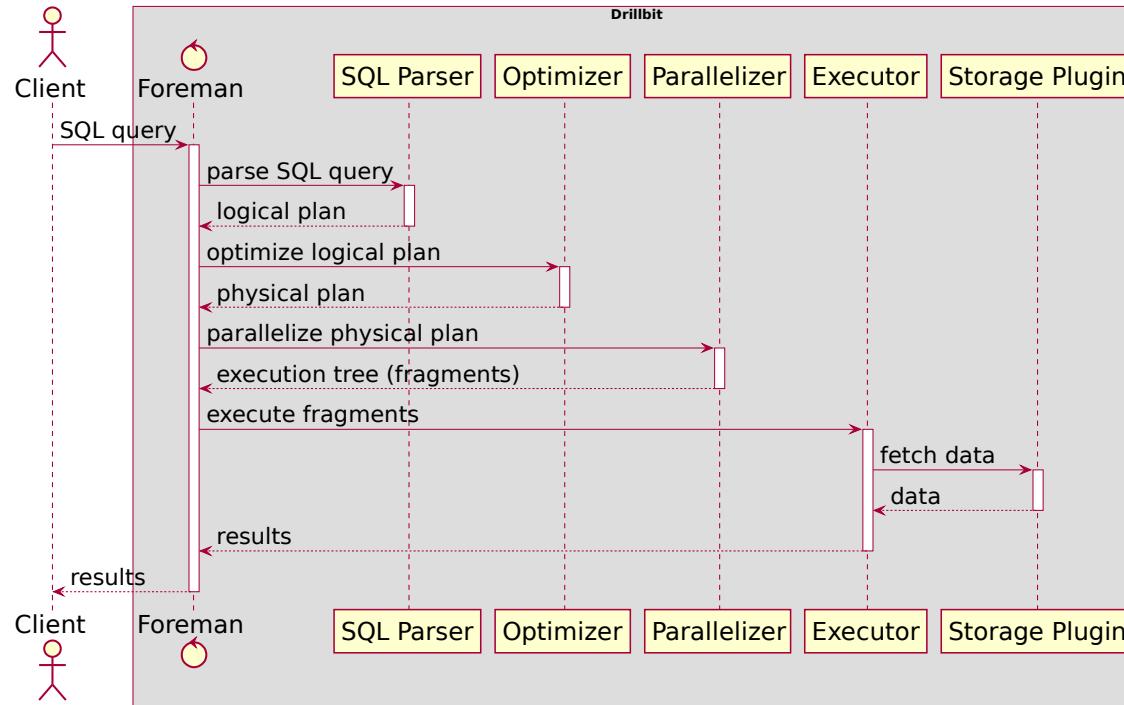
workspace

table / view / file / document

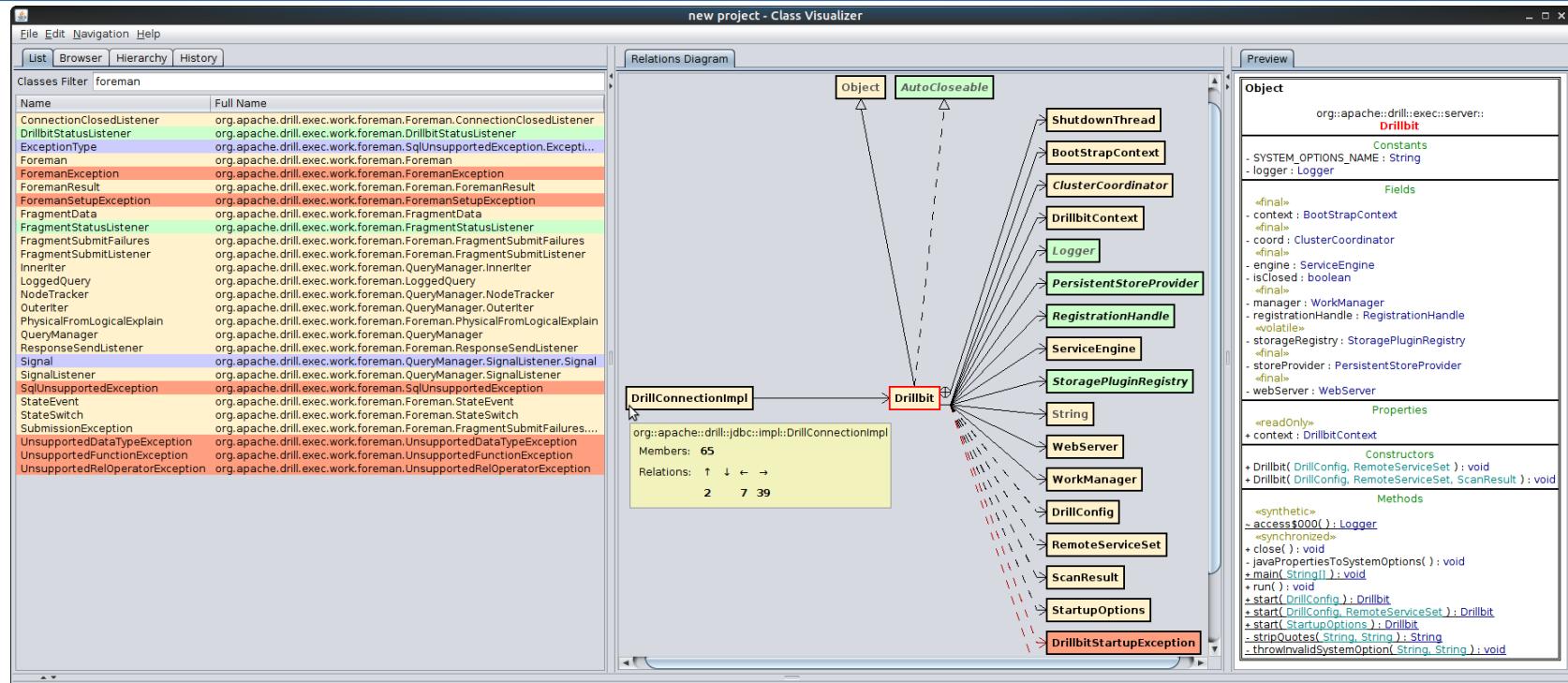
Config – storage plugins



Query execution



Drill inside over 0x2000 classes



A photograph of two individuals in a desert-like environment. One person, wearing a blue jumpsuit and a checkered cap, is kneeling and operating a large yellow control unit with a screen and various buttons. Another person, wearing an orange long-sleeved shirt and light-colored pants, is kneeling nearby, holding a white handheld device with a probe, possibly a resistivity meter, and is digging a small hole in the sand. Several pieces of equipment are scattered on the ground, including a blue rectangular panel, a yellow handheld device, and some papers.

Demo: deep dive into Drill

Summary



Advantages

- Easy to start working with
- Concept of SQL-on-Anything
- Using standard SQL

Disadvantages

- Partially implemented or unfinished features
- Lacks in documentation

Use cases

- Data exploration
- Data transformation
- BI / Data analytics

Applicable

Not applicable

Questions



Thank you

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