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**Pyspark: Python + Apache Spark**

**Apache Spark:** Apache Spark is an open-source, distributed processing system used for big data workloads. It supports different languages like Java, Python, Scala and R.

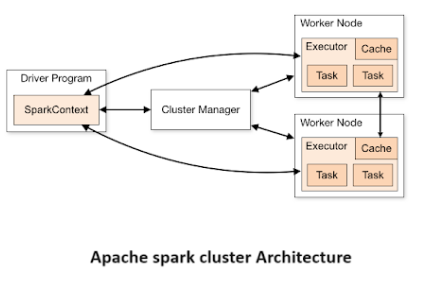
**Spark Architecture:** The Spark follows the master-slave architecture. Its cluster consists of a single master and multiple slaves.

The Spark architecture depends upon two abstractions:

1. Resilient Distributed Dataset (RDD)
2. Directed Acyclic Graph (DAG)
3. **Resilient Distributed Dataset (RDD):** The Resilient Distributed Datasets are the group of data items that can be stored in-memory on worker nodes. Here,

* Resilient: Restore the data on failure.
* Distributed: Data is distributed among different nodes.
* Dataset: Group of data.

1. **Directed Acyclic Graph (DAG):** Directed Acyclic Graph is a finite direct graph that performs a sequence of computations on data. Each node is an RDD partition, and the edge is a transformation on top of data.

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**Driver Program:** The Driver Program is a process that runs the main() function of the application and creates the **SparkContext** object. The purpose of **SparkContext** is to coordinate the spark applications, running as independent sets of processes on a cluster.

To run on a cluster, the **SparkContext** connects to a different type of cluster managers and then perform the following tasks: -

* It acquires executors on nodes in the cluster.
* Then, it sends your application code to the executors. Here, the application code can be defined by JAR or Python files passed to the SparkContext.
* At last, the SparkContext sends tasks to the executors to run.

**Cluster Manager:**

* The role of the cluster manager is to allocate resources across applications. The Spark is capable enough of running on a large number of clusters.
* It consists of various types of cluster managers such as Hadoop YARN, Apache Mesos and Standalone Scheduler.
* Here, the Standalone Scheduler is a standalone spark cluster manager that facilitates to install Spark on an empty set of machines.

**Worker node:**

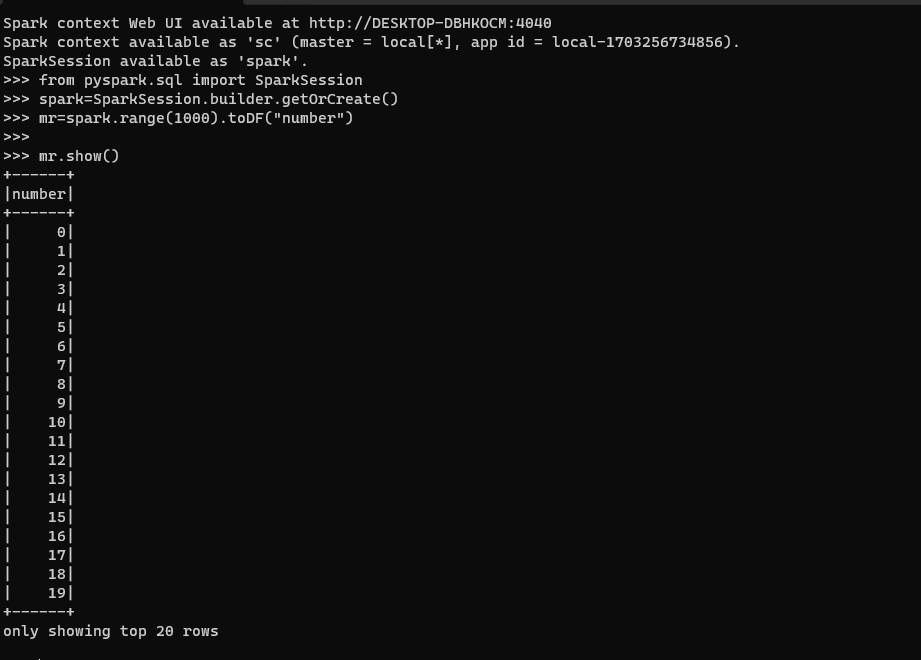
* The worker node is a slave node
* Its role is to run the application code in the cluster.

**Executer:**

* An executor is a process launched for an application on a worker node.
* It runs tasks and keeps data in memory or disk storage across them.
* It read and write data to the external sources.
* Every application contains its executor.

**Task:** A unit of work that will be sent to one executor.

**Apache Spark Components:** Apache Spark consists of Spark Core Engine, Spark SQL, Spark Streaming, MLlib, GraphX, and Spark R.

**Spark code in CMD:**