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1. What is Spark SQL?

Spark SQL is a Spark module for structured data processing.

It provides a programming abstraction called DataFrames andcan also act as a distributed SQL query engine.

It enables unmodified Hadoop Hive queries to run up to 100xfaster on existing deployments and data.

2. Is there a module to implement SQL in Spark? How does itwork?

PySpark SQL is a module in Spark which integrates relational processing with Spark's functional programmingAPI.

We can extract the data by using an SQL query language. Wecan use the queries same as the SQL language.

3. What is a Parquet file?

Apache Parquet is an open source,column-oriented datafile format designed for efficient data storage and retrieval.

It provides efficient data compression and encoding schemeswith enhanced performance to handle complex data in bulk.

4.List the functions of Spark SQL

1.String Functions.

2.Date & Time Functions.

3.Collection Functions.

4.Math Functions.

5.Aggregate Functions.

6.Window Functions.

5.How is Spark SQL different from HQL and SQL?

Hive,on one hand,is known for its efficient queryprocessing by making use of SQL-like HQL(Hive Query Language)

and is used for data stored in Hadoop Distributed File Systemwhereas Spark SQL makes use of structured query language

and makes sure all the read and write online operations aretaken care of.

6.Why is Spark SQL used?

Spark provides a faster and more general data processingplatform.

Spark lets you run programs up to 100x faster in memory, or10x faster on disk, than Hadoop.

7.Is Spark SQL faster than Hive?

Speed:-The operations in Hive are slower than ApacheSpark in terms of memory and disk processing as Hive runs on top of Hadoop.