APACHE ICEBERG

Apache Iceberg open-source table format that brings reliability, flexibility, and high performance to large-scale data lakes, making big data analytics as seamless as SQL.

Why Apache Iceberg Stands Out?

Revolutionizing data lake architecture for modern analytics.

Schema Evolution

Supports flexible schema changes without rewriting entire datasets, ensuring seamless updates.

ACID Transactions

Ensures data integrity with atomic commits, making reads and writes reliable at scale.

Compatibility Across Tools

Integrates with engines like Spark,
Trino, Flink, and Hive, supporting
diverse analytics workflows.

Time Travel

Allows querying historical versions of data for audits, rollbacks, or debugging.

Separation of Storage

Decouples processing engines from storage, enabling multi-engine access without data duplication.

Scalability

Optimized for petabyte-scale datasets, with performance tuning for big data environments.

Staged Workflow Comparison

Traditional Data Lake Apache Iceberg

Data Ingestion



Raw Parquet/CSV files without metadata tracking

Structured tables with built-in metadata management

Data Modification



No native update/delete support, requires full file rewrites

ACID-compliant, enables efficient in-place updates

Query Execution



Full table scans are common, slowing down performance as data grows

Partition pruning & metadata filtering for faster scans

Historical Access



No built-in time travel, versioning needs manual snapshots or backups

Built-in time travel enables instant historical data query

Business Use Cases



Time Travel Queries

Identify user drop-offs before/after content drops
e.g. Use time travel to analyze listener behavior over time.

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Churn & Engagement Tracking

Identify user drop-offs before/after content drops e.g. Did viewer engagement drop after the launch of Stranger Things?





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