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(https://databricks.com)
    PySpark Join is used to combine two DataFrames and by chaining these you can join multiple DataFrames; it supports all basic join type
    OUTER, RIGHT OUTER, LEFT ANTI, LEFT SEMI, CROSS, SELF JOIN. PySpark Joins are wider transformations that involve data shuffling across
    PySpark SQL Joins comes with more optimization by default (thanks to DataFrames) however still there would be some performance issues
    In this PySpark SQL Join section, you will learn different Join syntaxes and using different Join types on two or more DataFrames and
    PySpark Join Syntax
    PySpark Join Types
    Inner Join DataFrame
    Full Outer Join DataFrame
    Left Outer Join DataFrame
    Right Outer Join DataFrame
    Left Anti Join DataFrame
    Left Semi Join DataFrame
    Self Join DataFrame
   Using SQL Expression
    1. PySpark Join Syntax
    PySpark SQL join has a below syntax and it can be accessed directly from DataFrame.
    join() operation takes parameters as below and returns DataFrame.
    join(self, other, on=None, how=None)
    param other: Right side of the join
    param on: a string for the join column name
    param how: default inner. Must be one of inner, cross, outer,full, full outer, left, left outer, right, right outer,left semi, and lef
    You can also write Join expression by adding where() and filter() methods on DataFrame and can have Join on multiple columns.
    2. PySpark Join Types
   Below are the different Join Types PySpark supports.
    Join String
                                         Equivalent SQL Join
    inner
                                       INNER JOIN
   outer, full, fullouter, full_outer FULL OUTER JOIN
   left, leftouter, left outer
                                         LEFT JOIN
   right, rightouter, right_outer
                                         RIGHT JOIN
    cross
    anti, leftanti, left_anti
   semi, leftsemi, left_semi
    Before we jump into PySpark SQL Join examples, first, let's create an "emp" and "dept" DataFrames. here, column "emp_id" is unique on
    emp_dept_id from emp has a reference to dept_id on dept dataset.
    emp = [(1,"Smith",-1,"2018","10","M",3000), \
        (2,"Rose",1,"2010","20","M",4000), \
        (3,"Williams",1,"2010","10","M",1000), \
        (4,"Jones",2,"2005","10","F",2000), \
        (5,"Brown",2,"2010","40","",-1), \
         (6, "Brown", 2, "2010", "50", "", -1) \
    empColumns = ["emp_id","name","superior_emp_id","year_joined", \
           "emp_dept_id","gender","salary"]
    empDF = spark.createDataFrame(data=emp, schema = empColumns)
    empDF.printSchema()
    empDF.show(truncate=False)
    dept = [("Finance",10), \
        ("Marketing",20), \
        ("Sales",30), \
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("IT",40) \

deptDF.printSchema()
deptDF.show(truncate=False)

deptColumns = ["dept\_name","dept\_id"]

deptDF = spark.createDataFrame(data=dept, schema = deptColumns)

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root
|-- emp_id: long (nullable = true)
|-- ame: string (nullable = true)
|-- superior_emp_id: long (nullable = true)
|-- year_joined: string (nullable = true)
|-- salary: long (nullable = tr
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3. PySpark Inner Join DataFrame
Inner join is the default join in PySpark and it's mostly used. This joins two datasets on key columns, where keys don't match
the rows get dropped from both datasets (emp & dept).

When we apply Inner join on our datasets, It drops "emp\_dept\_id" 50 from "emp" and "dept\_id" 30 from "dept" datasets. Below is
the result of the above Join expression.
...
empDF.join(deptDF,empDF.emp\_dept\_id == deptDF.dept\_id,"inner") \
.show(truncate=False)

emp_	•	+  superior_emp_id +	•	emp_dept_id	gender	salary	dept_name	dept_id
1	Smith		2018		м		Finance	
3	Williams	1	2010	10	M	1000	Finance	10
4	Jones	2	2005	10	F	2000	Finance	10
2	Rose	1	2010	20	M	4000	Marketing	20
5	Brown	2	2010	40	'	_	IT	40

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|\verb|emp_id|| name & |\verb|superior_emp_id|| year_joined|| emp_dept_id|| gender|| salary|| dept_name|| dept_id||
|1
  |Smith |-1 | 2018 | 10 | M | 3000 | Finance | 10
1
16
   |Brown |2
                2010
                      |50
                                |-1 |null |null |
|emp_id|name | superior_emp_id|year_joined|emp_dept_id|gender|salary|dept_name|dept_id|
|Smith |-1 | 2018 | 10 | M | 3000 | Finance | 10 | Williams | 1 | 2010 | 10 | M | 1000 | Finance | 10
1
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5. PySpark Left Outer Join

Left a.k.a Leftouter join returns all rows from the left dataset regardless of match found on the right dataset when join expression doesn't match, it assigns null for that record and drops records from right where match not found.

From our dataset, "emp_dept_id" 50 doesn't have a record on "dept" dataset hence, this record contains null on "dept" columns (dept_name & dept_id). and "dept_id" 30 from "dept" dataset dropped from the results. Below is the result of the above Join expression.

...

empDF.join(deptDF,empDF.emp_dept_id == deptDF.dept_id,"left") \
.show(truncate=False)

empDF.join(deptDF,empDF.emp_dept_id == deptDF.dept_id,"leftouter") \
.show(truncate=False)
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|emp_id|name | superior_emp_id|year_joined|emp_dept_id|gender|salary|dept_name|dept_id|
                                            |M |3000 |Finance |10

|M |4000 |Marketing|20

|M |1000 |Finance

|F
+-----+
| 1 | Smith | -1 | 2018 | 10 | M | 3000 | Finance | 10 | | 2 | Rose | 1 | 2010 | 20 | M | 4000 | Marketing | 20 |
                         |2010
|2005
13
     |Williams|1
                                      10
4
     Jones |2
                                      10
                          2010
                                     |40
|50
     |Brown |2
|5
                                                       |-1 |IT |40
                                                |Brown |2
16
                           2010
                                                       |-1 |null
                                                                      |null |
                                                 |\verb|emp_id|| name & |\verb|superior_emp_id|| year_joined|| emp_dept_id|| gender|| salary|| dept_name|| dept_id||
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1
      Smith
             |-1
                             2018
                                        10
                                                         3000
                                                              |Finance | 10
|2
      lRose
              |1
                             2010
                                        20
                                                   M
                                                         4000
                                                               |Marketing|20
13
      |Williams|1
                             2010
                                        10
                                                   M
                                                         1000
                                                               |Finance | 10
|4
      Jones
                             2005
                                        10
                                                         2000
                                                               Finance
              |2
                                                                        10
15
      Brown
              12
                             2010
                                        140
                                                         1-1
                                                               IIT
                                                                         140
6
      |Brown |2
                             2010
                                        |50
                                                         |-1
                                                               null
                                                                         null
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## 6. Right Outer Join

Right a.k.a Rightouter join is opposite of left join, here it returns all rows from the right dataset regardless of math found on the left dataset, when join expression doesn't match, it assigns null for that record and drops records from left where match not found.

From our example, the right dataset "dept\_id" 30 doesn't have it on the left dataset "emp" hence, this record contains null on "emp" columns. and "emp\_dept\_id" 50 dropped as a match not found on left. Below is the result of the above Join expression. ...

```
empDF.join(deptDF,empDF.emp_dept_id == deptDF.dept_id,"right") \
    .show(truncate=False)
empDF.join(deptDF,empDF.emp_dept_id == deptDF.dept_id,"rightouter") \
    .show(truncate=False)
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	,	superior emp id						المناسسة الما
emp_1	d name	superior_emp_ia	year_joined	emp_aept_ia  -	genaer	salary	αepτ_name	aept_1a
+  4	Jones	2	2005	10	   F	2000	Finance	10
3	Williams	1	2010	10	M	1000	Finance	10
1	Smith	-1	2018	10	M	3000	Finance	10
2	Rose	1	2010	20	M	4000	Marketing	20
null	null	null	null	null	null	null	Sales	30
5	Brown	2	2010	40	l	-1	IT	40
+	-+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
+ +  emp_i	-+ -+d name	+  superior_emp_id	+  year_joined	+	+ +  gender	+ +  salary	+ +  dept_name	+ +
+	-+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
+  emp_i +  4	-+d  name -+  Jones  Williams	2	+  2005	+	+  gender +  F	+  2000	+  Finance	+
+  4	-+  Jones	  2  1	  2005  2010	  10  10	+   F	+  2000  1000	+  Finance  Finance	10
+  4  3	Jones  Williams	  2  1	  2005  2010	+	+   F   M	+  2000  1000  3000	+  Finance  Finance	10
+  4  3  1	Jones  Williams  Smith	2  1  -1  1	+	10  10  10  10	   F   M   M	2000  1000  3000  4000	Finance  Finance  Finance	10

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## 7. Left Semi Join

leftsemi join is similar to inner join difference being leftsemi join returns all columns from the left dataset and ignores all columns from the right dataset. In other words, this join returns columns from the only left dataset for the records match in the right dataset on join expression, records not matched on join expression are ignored from both left and right datasets.

The same result can be achieved using select on the result of the inner join however, using this join would be efficient. Below is the result of the above join expression.

empDF.join(deptDF,empDF.emp\_dept\_id == deptDF.dept\_id,"leftsemi") \
 .show(truncate=False)

emp_	id name	superior_c	+ emp_id year_joi +	ned emp_der	t_id gend	er salary	
1	Smith	-1	2018	10	M	3000	
3	William:	5 1	2010	10	M	1000	
4	Jones	2	2005	10	F	2000	
2	Rose	1	2010	20	M	4000	
5	Brown	2	2010	40		-1	

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8. Left Anti Join
leftanti join does the exact opposite of the leftsemi, leftanti join returns only columns from the left dataset for non-matched records.

Yields below output
...
empDF.join(deptDF,empDF.emp_dept_id == deptDF.dept_id,"leftanti") \
..show(truncate=False)
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|emp\_id|name |superior\_emp\_id|year\_joined|emp\_dept\_id|gender|salary|
+----+
|6 |Brown|2 |2010 |50 | |-1 |

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Joins are not complete without a self join, Though there is no self-join type available, we can use any of the above-explained join types to join DataFrame to itself. below example use inner self join.

Here, we are joining emp dataset with itself to find out superior emp_id and name for all employees.

'''

from pyspark.sql.functions import col

empDF.alias("emp1").join(empDF.alias("emp2"), \

col("emp1.superior_emp_id") == col("emp2.emp_id"), "inner") \

.select(col("emp1.emp_id"),col("emp1.name"), \

col("emp2.emp_id").alias("superior_emp_id"), \

col("emp2.name").alias("superior_emp_name")) \

.show(truncate=False)
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4. Using SQL Expression
Since PySpark SQL support native SQL syntax, we can also write join operations after creating temporary tables on DataFrames and use these tables on spark.sql().

...

empDF.createOrReplaceTempView("EMP")

deptDF.createOrReplaceTempView("DEPT")

joinDF = spark.sql("select * from EMP e, DEPT d where e.emp_dept_id == d.dept_id") \
    .show(truncate=False)

joinDF2 = spark.sql("select * from EMP e INNER JOIN DEPT d ON e.emp_dept_id == d.dept_id") \
    .show(truncate=False)
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emp_	id name	superior_emp_id	year_joined	emp_dept_id	gender	salary	dept_name	dept_i
1	Smith	-1	2018	10	М	3000	Finance	10
3	Williams	1	2010	10	M	1000	Finance	10
4	Jones	2	2005	10	F	2000	Finance	10
2	Rose	1	2010	20	M	4000	Marketing	20
5	Brown	2	2010	40		-1	IT	40
		+		<b></b>	+	<b></b>	+	+
						•	•	•
	+	+	· 	· +	+	+	+	+
 emp_	+id name	t  superior_emp_id	  year_joined	+  emp_dept_id	+  gender	+  salary	+  dept_name	+  dept_i
emp_ 1	+	+	·	+	+  gender +	+	+  dept_name +  Finance	+  dept_i +
1	+	-1	2018	+  10	+	+   3000	+	+
	Smith  Williams		2018  2010	  10  10	+  M	+   3000	+  Finance	+  10
1 3	Smith  Williams  Jones	-1  1  1  2	2018  2010  2005	10  10  10	  M  M  F	3000  1000  2000	Finance  Finance	+  10  10  10

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6. PySpark SQL Join Complete Example
import pyspark
from pyspark.sql import SparkSession
from pyspark.sql.functions import col
spark = SparkSession.builder.appName('SparkByExamples.com').getOrCreate()
emp = [(1, "Smith", -1, "2018", "10", "M", 3000), \]
    (2,"Rose",1,"2010","20","M",4000), \
    (3,"Williams",1,"2010","10","M",1000), \
    (4,"Jones",2,"2005","10","F",2000), \
    (5,"Brown",2,"2010","40","",-1), \
      (6,"Brown",2,"2010","50","",-1) \
 ]
empColumns = ["emp_id","name","superior_emp_id","year_joined", \
       "emp_dept_id","gender","salary"]
empDF = spark.createDataFrame(data=emp, schema = empColumns)
empDF.printSchema()
empDF.show(truncate=False)
dept = [("Finance",10), \
    ("Marketing",20), \
    ("Sales",30), \
    ("IT",40) \
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deptColumns = ["dept_name","dept_id"]
deptDF = spark.createDataFrame(data=dept, schema = deptColumns)
deptDF.printSchema()
deptDF.show(truncate=False)
empDF.join(deptDF,empDF.emp_dept_id == deptDF.dept_id,"inner") \
     .show(truncate=False)
empDF.join(deptDF,empDF.emp_dept_id == deptDF.dept_id,"outer") \
    .show(truncate=False)
empDF.join(deptDF,empDF.emp_dept_id == deptDF.dept_id,"full") \
    .show(truncate=False)
empDF.join(deptDF,empDF.emp_dept_id == deptDF.dept_id,"fullouter") \
    .show(truncate=False)
empDF.join(deptDF,empDF.emp_dept_id == deptDF.dept_id,"left") \
    .show(truncate=False)
empDF.join(deptDF,empDF.emp_dept_id == deptDF.dept_id,"leftouter") \
  .show(truncate=False)
empDF.join(deptDF,empDF.emp_dept_id == deptDF.dept_id,"right") \
   .show(truncate=False)
empDF.join(deptDF,empDF.emp_dept_id == deptDF.dept_id,"rightouter") \
  .show(truncate=False)
empDF.join(deptDF,empDF.emp_dept_id == deptDF.dept_id,"leftsemi") \
   .show(truncate=False)
empDF.join(deptDF,empDF.emp_dept_id == deptDF.dept_id,"leftanti") \
   .show(truncate=False)
empDF.alias("emp1").join(empDF.alias("emp2"), \
    col("emp1.superior_emp_id") == col("emp2.emp_id"),"inner") \
    .select(col("emp1.emp_id"),col("emp1.name"), \
     col("emp2.emp_id").alias("superior_emp_id"), \
     col("emp2.name").alias("superior_emp_name")) \
  .show(truncate=False)
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empDF.createOrReplaceTempView("EMP")
deptDF.createOrReplaceTempView("DEPT")

joinDF = spark.sql("select * from EMP e, DEPT d where e.emp_dept_id == d.dept_id") \
    .show(truncate=False)

joinDF2 = spark.sql("select * from EMP e INNER JOIN DEPT d ON e.emp_dept_id == d.dept_id") \
    .show(truncate=False)
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root
|-- emp_id: long (nullable = true)
|-- name: string (nullable = true)
|-- superior_emp_id: long (nullable = true)
|-- year_joined: string (nullable = true)
|-- emp_dept_id: string (nullable = true)
|-- gender: string (nullable = true)
|-- salary: long (nullable = true)
|emp_id|name |superior_emp_id|year_joined|emp_dept_id|gender|salary|
+----+
  |10 |M |3000 |
1
2
                                       M
                                             |4000 |
                                     | M
| M
                                           1000 |
|3
4
                                            2000
|5
                                            |-1 |
                                             |-1 |
16
root
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PySpark distinct() function is used to drop/remove the duplicate rows (all columns) from DataFrame and dropDuplicates() is used
to drop rows based on selected (one or multiple) columns. In this article, you will learn how to use distinct() and
dropDuplicates() functions with PySpark example.
Before we start, first let's create a DataFrame with some duplicate rows and values on a few columns. We use this DataFrame to
demonstrate how to get distinct multiple columns.
On the above table, record with employer name James has duplicate rows, As you notice we have 2 rows that have duplicate values
on all columns and we have 4 rows that have duplicate values on department and salary columns.
import pyspark
from pyspark.sql import SparkSession
from pyspark.sql.functions import expr
spark = SparkSession.builder.appName('SparkByExamples.com').getOrCreate()
data = [("James", "Sales", 3000), \
   ("Michael", "Sales", 4600), \
    ("Robert", "Sales", 4100), \
    ("Maria", "Finance", 3000), \
    ("James", "Sales", 3000), \
    ("Scott", "Finance", 3300), \
    ("Jen", "Finance", 3900), \
    ("Jeff", "Marketing", 3000), \
    ("Kumar", "Marketing", 2000), \
    ("Saif", "Sales", 4100) \
columns= ["employee_name", "department", "salary"]
df = spark.createDataFrame(data = data, schema = columns)
df.printSchema()
df.show(truncate=False)

    Get Distinct Rows (By Comparing All Columns)

On the above DataFrame, we have a total of 10 rows with 2 rows having all values duplicated, performing distinct on this
DataFrame should get us 9 after removing 1 duplicate row.
distinct() function on DataFrame returns a new DataFrame after removing the duplicate records. This example yields the below
output.
#Distinct
distinctDF = df.distinct()
print("Distinct count: "+str(distinctDF.count()))
distinctDF.show(truncate=False)
Alternatively, you can also run dropDuplicates() function which returns a new DataFrame after removing duplicate rows.
#Drop duplicates
df2 = df.dropDuplicates()
print("Distinct count: "+str(df2.count()))
df2.show(truncate=False)
2. PySpark Distinct of Selected Multiple Columns
PySpark doesn't have a distinct method which takes columns that should run distinct on (drop duplicate rows on selected multiple
columns) however, it provides another signature of dropDuplicates() function which takes multiple columns to eliminate
duplicates.
Note that calling dropDuplicates() on DataFrame returns a new DataFrame with duplicate rows removed.
Yields below output. If you notice the output, It dropped 2 records that are duplicate.
#Drop duplicates on selected columns
dropDisDF = df.dropDuplicates(["department", "salary"])
print("Distinct count of department salary : "+str(dropDisDF.count()))
dropDisDF.show(truncate=False)
```

In this PySpark SQL article, you have learned distinct() method which is used to get the distinct values of rows (all columns) and also learned how to use dropDuplicates() to get the distinct and finally learned using dropDuplicates() function to get distinct of multiple columns.

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```
root
|-- employee_name: string (nullable = true)
|-- department: string (nullable = true)
|-- salary: long (nullable = true)
|employee_name|department|salary|
+----+
James
           |Sales |3000 |
          |Sales |4600 |
|Michael
Robert
           |Sales
                     4100
           |Finance |3000
|Maria
James
           Sales
                     3000
Scott
            |Finance |3300 |
            |Finance | 3900 |
|Jen
|Jeff
            |Marketing |3000
Kumar
            |Marketing |2000
           |Sales |4100 |
|Saif
Distinct count: 9
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PySpark JSON Functions with Examples
PySpark JSON functions are used to query or extract the elements from JSON string of DataFrame column by path, convert it to
struct, mapt type e.t.c, In this article, I will explain the most used JSON SQL functions with Python examples.

    PySpark JSON Functions

from_json() - Converts JSON string into Struct type or Map type.
to_json() - Converts MapType or Struct type to JSON string.
json_tuple() - Extract the Data from JSON and create them as a new columns.
get_json_object() - Extracts JSON element from a JSON string based on json path specified.
schema_of_json() - Create schema string from JSON string
1.1. Create DataFrame with Column contains JSON String
In order to explain these JSON functions first, let's create DataFrame with a column contains JSON string.
from pyspark.sql import SparkSession, Row
spark = SparkSession.builder.appName('SparkByExamples.com').getOrCreate()
jsonString="""{"Zipcode":704,"ZipCodeType":"STANDARD","City":"PARC PARQUE","State":"PR"}"""
df=spark.createDataFrame([(1, jsonString)],["id","value"])
df.show(truncate=False)
2.1. from ison()
PySpark from json() function is used to convert JSON string into Struct type or Map type. The below example converts JSON string
to Map key-value pair. I will leave it to you to convert to struct type. Refer, Convert JSON string to Struct type column.
#Convert JSON string column to Map type
from pyspark.sql.types import MapType,StringType
from pyspark.sql.functions import from_json
df2=df.withColumn("value",from_json(df.value,MapType(StringType()),StringType())))
df2.printSchema()
df2.show(truncate=False)
2.2. to_json()
to_json() function is used to convert DataFrame columns MapType or Struct type to JSON string. Here, I am using df2 that created
from above from_json() example.
from pyspark.sql.functions import to_json,col
df2.withColumn("value",to_json(col("value"))) \
  .show(truncate=False)
2.3. ison tuple()
Function json tuple() is used the query or extract the elements from JSON column and create the result as a new columns.
from\ pyspark.sql.functions\ import\ json\_tuple
df.select(col("id"),json_tuple(col("value"),"Zipcode","ZipCodeType","City")) \
    .toDF("id","Zipcode","ZipCodeType","City") \
   .show(truncate=False)
2.4. get_json_object()
get_json_object() is used to extract the JSON string based on path from the JSON column.
from pyspark.sql.functions import get_json_object
df.select(col("id"),get_json_object(col("value"),"$.ZipCodeType").alias("ZipCodeType")) \
    .show(truncate=False)
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collect()[0][0]
print(schemaStr)
```

```
|id |value
|1 \quad | \{ \text{"Zipcode}":704, \text{"ZipCodeType}": \text{"STANDARD}", \text{"City}": \text{"PARC PARQUE"}, \text{"State}": \text{"PR"} \} |
root
|-- id: long (nullable = true)
|-- value: map (nullable = true)
| |-- key: string
| |-- value: string (valueContainsNull = true)
|id |value
|1 \quad |\{ \text{Zipcode} \ \ -> \ \ \text{704, ZipCodeType} \ \ -> \ \ \text{STANDARD, City} \ \ -> \ \ \text{PARC PARQUE, State} \ \ -> \ \ \text{PR} \}|
+---+-----
|-- employee_name: string (nullable = true)
|-- department: string (nullable = true)
|-- salary: long (nullable = true)
|employee_name|department|salary|
+----+
|James |Sales |3000 |
|Michael |Sales |4600 |
|Robert |Sales |4100 |
|Maria |Finance |3000 |
        |Sales |3000 |
James
|Scott |Finance |3300 |
          |Finance |3900
|Jen
       |Marketing |3000 |
|Marketing |2000 |
|Jeff
Kumar
          |
|Sales |4100 |
Saif
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