Machine Learning with Spark

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Big Data

Problem

- Traditional platforms fail to show the expected performance.
- Need new systems to store and process large-scale data

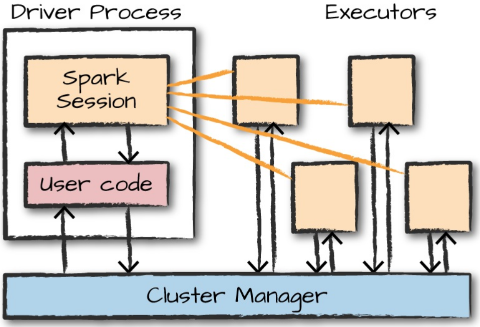
Scale Up vs. Scale Out

- Scale up or scale vertically
- Scale out or scale horizontally

Spark

Spark Execution Model (1/3)

- Spark applications consist of
  - A driver process
  - A set of executor processes



[M. Zaharia et al., Spark: The Definitive Guide, O'Reilly Media, 2018]

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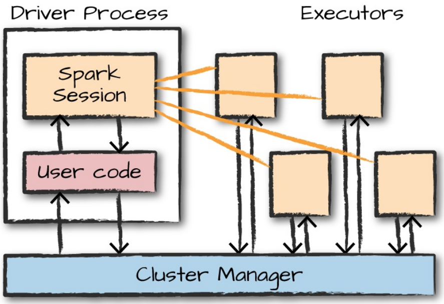
- Sits on a node in the cluster
- Runs the `main()` function



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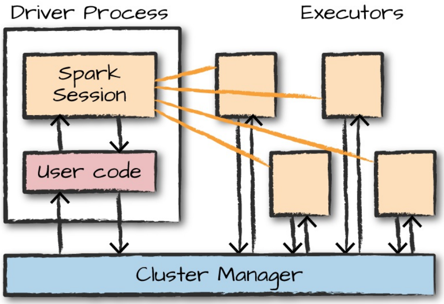
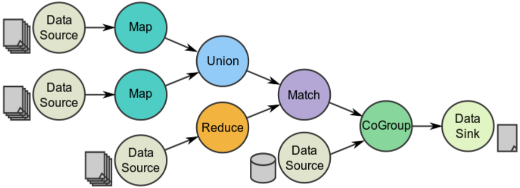


Spark Programming Model

- Job description based on directed acyclic graphs (DAG).
- There are two types of RDD operators: transformations and actions.



Resilient Distributed Datasets (RDD) (1/2)

- A distributed memory abstraction.
- Immutable collections of objects spread across a cluster.
    - Like a `LinkedList <MyObjects>`

Resilient Distributed Datasets (RDD) (2/2)

- An RDD is divided into a number of partitions, which are atomic pieces of information.
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- Load text file from local FS, HDFS, or S3.

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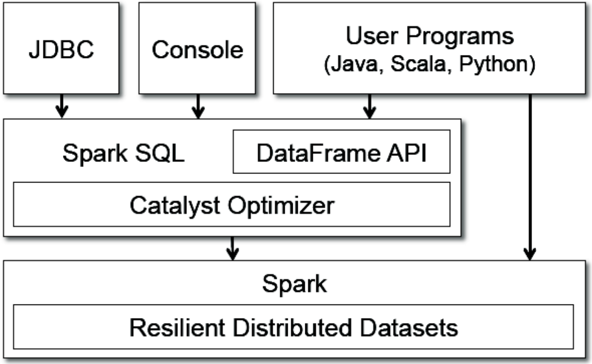
val b = sc.textFile("directory/*.txt")
val c = sc.textFile("hdfs://namenode:9000/path/file")
```

RDD Operations

- Transformations: lazy operators that create new RDDs.
- Actions: lunch a computation and return a value to the program or write data to the external storage.

Spark and Spark SQL

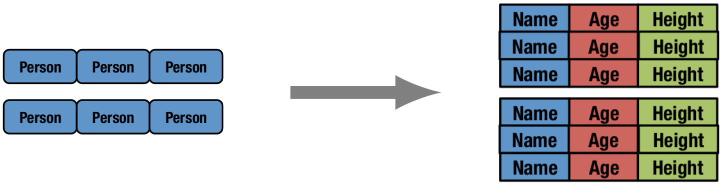


DataFrame

- A DataFrame is a distributed collection of rows with a homogeneous schema.
- It is equivalent to a table in a relational database.
- It can also be manipulated in similar ways to RDDs.

Adding Schema to RDDs

- Spark + RDD: functional transformations on partitioned collections of opaque objects.
- SQL + DataFrame: declarative transformations on partitioned collections of tuples.



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- If RDD contains case class instances, Spark infers the attributes from it.

```
case class Person(name: String, age: Int, id: Int)

val peopleRDD = sc.parallelize(Array(Person("seif", 65, 0), Person("amir", 40, 1)))
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Creating a DataFrame - From Data Source

- Data sources supported by Spark.
  - CSV, JSON, Parquet, ORC, JDBC/ODBC connections, Plain-text files
  - Cassandra, HBase, MongoDB, AWS Redshift, XML, etc.

```
val peopleJson = spark.read.format("json").load("people.json")

val peopleCsv = spark.read.format("csv")
  .option("sep", ";")
  .option("inferSchema", "true")
  .option("header", "true")
  .load("people.csv")
```

Column

- Different ways to refer to a column.

```
val people = spark.read.format("json").load("people.json")

people.col("name")

col("name")

column("name")

'name

$"name"

expr("name")
```

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- `select` allows to do the DataFrame equivalent of SQL queries on a table of data.

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- `drop` removes a column.

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- `first` and `last` return the first and last value of a DataFrame.

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people.select(first("name"), last("age")).show()
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- join performs the join operation between two tables.

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    .toDF("num", "name", "id")
val t2 = spark.createDataFrame(Seq((0, "x"), (1, "y"), (2, "z")))
    .toDF("id", "group")

val joinExpression = t1.col("id") === t2.col("id")
var joinType = "inner"

t1.join(t2, joinExpression, joinType).show()
```

DataFrame Transformations (6/6)

- You can use udf to define new column-based functions.

```
import org.apache.spark.sql.functions.udf

val df = spark.createDataFrame(Seq((0, "hello"), (1, "world"))).toDF("id", "text")

val upper: String => String = _.toUpperCase
val upperUDF = spark.udf.register("upper", upper)

df.withColumn("upper", upperUDF(col("text"))).show
```

DataFrame Actions

- Like RDDs, DataFrames also have their own set of actions.
- `collect`: returns an array that contains all the rows in this DataFrame.
- `count`: returns the number of rows in this DataFrame.
- `first` and `head`: returns the first row of the DataFrame.
- `show`: displays the top 20 rows of the DataFrame in a tabular form.
- `take`: returns the first n rows of the DataFrame.

Machine Learning

Machine Learning with Spark

- Spark provides support for statistics and machine learning.
  - Supervised learning
  - Unsupervised engines
  - Deep learning

Supervised Learning

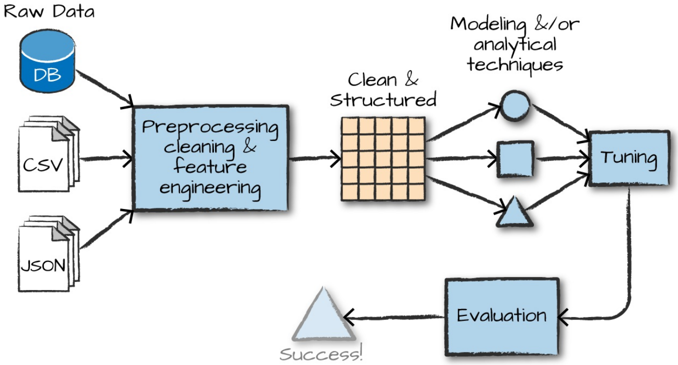
- Using labeled historical data and training a model to predict the values of those labels based on various features of the data points.
- Classification (categorical values)
  - E.g., predicting disease, classifying images, ...
- Regression (continuous values)
  - E.g., predicting sales, predicting height, ...

Unsupervised Learning

- No label to predict.
- Trying to find patterns or discover the underlying structure in a given set of data.
  - Clustering, anomaly detection, ...

The Advanced Analytic Process

- Data collection
- Data cleaning
- Feature engineering
- Training models
- Model tuning and evaluation



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- MLlib is a package built on Spark.
- It provides interfaces for:
  - Gathering and cleaning data
  - Feature engineering and feature selection
  - Training and tuning large-scale supervised and unsupervised machine learning models
  - Using those models in production

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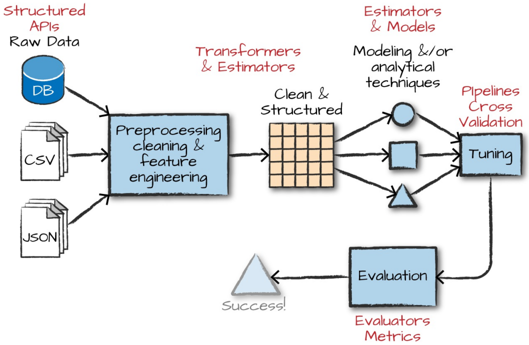
- `org.apache.spark.ml`
  - Uses DataFrames
  - Offers a high-level interface for building machine learning pipelines

High-Level MLlib Concepts

- ML pipelines (`spark.ml`) provide a uniform set of high-level APIs built on top of DataFrames to create machine learning pipelines.



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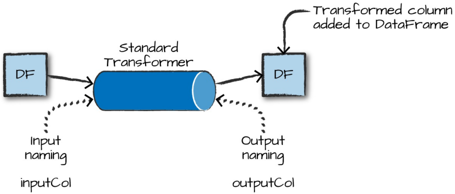

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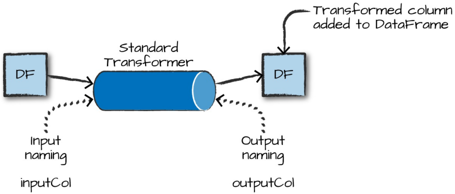

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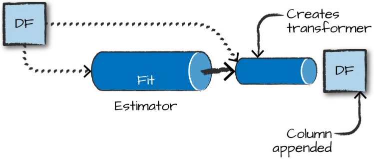

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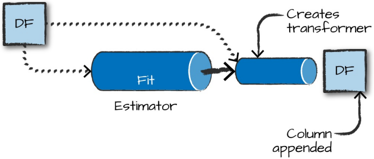

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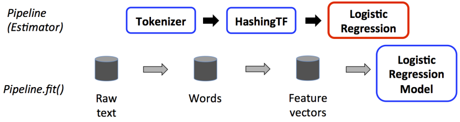

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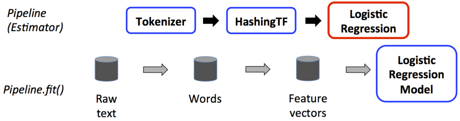

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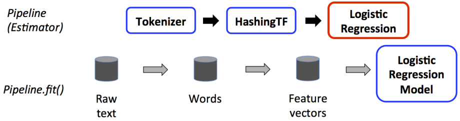

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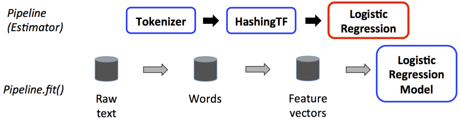

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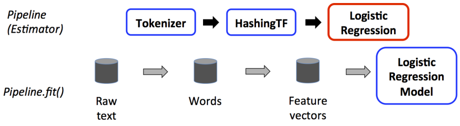

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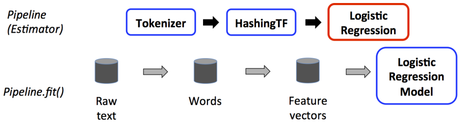

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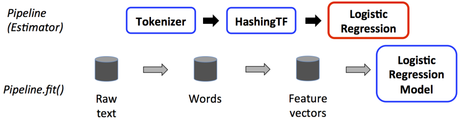

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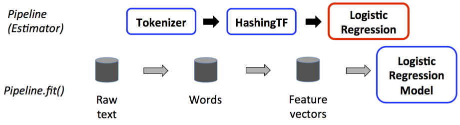

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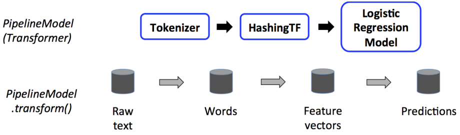

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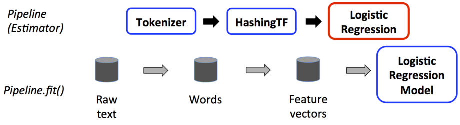

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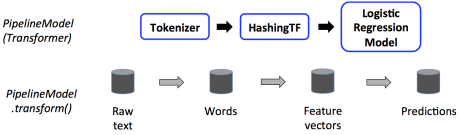

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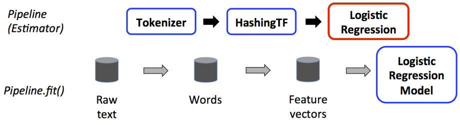

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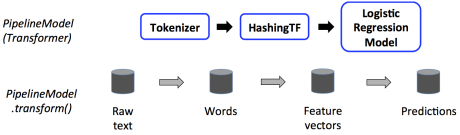

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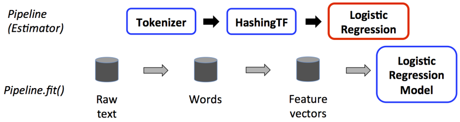

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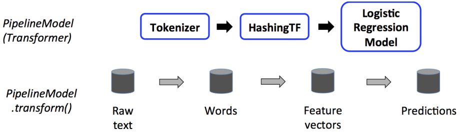

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Example - Input DataFrame (1/2)

- Make a DataFrame of the type `Article`.

```
import org.apache.spark.ml.classification.LogisticRegression
import org.apache.spark.ml.linalg.{Vector, Vectors}
import org.apache.spark.ml.param.ParamMap
import org.apache.spark.sql.Row

case class Article(id: Long, topic: String, text: String)

val articles = spark.createDataFrame(Seq(
    Article(0, "sci.math", "Hello, Math!"),
    Article(1, "alt.religion", "Hello, Religion!"),
    Article(2, "sci.physics", "Hello, Physics!"),
    Article(3, "sci.math", "Hello, Math Revised!"),
    Article(4, "sci.math", "Better Math"),
    Article(5, "alt.religion", "TGIF"))).toDF

articles.show
```

Example - Input DataFrame (2/2)

- Add a new column `label` to the DataFrame.
- `udf` is a feature of Spark SQL to define new Column-based functions.

```
val topic2Label: Boolean => Double = x => if (x) 1 else 0

val toLabel = spark.udf.register("topic2Label", topic2Label)

val labelled = articles.withColumn("label", toLabel($"topic".like("sci%"))).cache

labelled.show
```

Example - Transformers (1/2)

- Break each sentence into individual terms (words).

```
import org.apache.spark.ml.feature.Tokenizer
import org.apache.spark.ml.feature.RegexTokenizer

val tokenizer = new RegexTokenizer().setInputCol("text").setOutputCol("words")

val tokenized = tokenizer.transform(labelled)

tokenized.show(false)
```

Example - Transformers (2/2)

- Takes a set of words and converts them into fixed-length feature vector.
  - 5000 in our example
- Uses a hash function to map each word into an index in the feature vector.
- Then computes the term frequencies based on the mapped indices.

```
import org.apache.spark.ml.feature.HashingTF

val hashingTF = new HashingTF().setInputCol(tokenizer.getOutputCol)
                               .setOutputCol("features")
                               .setNumFeatures(5000)

val hashed = hashingTF.transform(tokenized)

hashed.show(false)
```

Example - Estimator

```
val Array(trainDF, testDF) = hashed.randomSplit(Array(0.8, 0.2))

trainDF.show

testDF.show
```

```
import org.apache.spark.ml.classification.LogisticRegression

val lr = new LogisticRegression().setMaxIter(20).setRegParam(0.01)

val model = lr.fit(trainDF)

val pred = model.transform(testDF).select("topic", "label", "prediction")

pred.show
```

Example - Pipeline

```
val Array(trainDF2, testDF2) = labelled.randomSplit(Array(0.8, 0.2))

trainDF2.show

testDF2.show
```

```
import org.apache.spark.ml.{Pipeline, PipelineModel}

val pipeline = new Pipeline().setStages(Array(tokenizer, hashingTF, lr))

val model2 = pipeline.fit(trainDF2)

val pred = model2.transform(testDF2).select("topic", "label", "prediction")

pred.show
```

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- Two ways to pass parameters to an algorithm:
  1. Set parameters for an instance, e.g., `lr.setMaxIter(10)`
  2. Pass a `ParamMap` to `fit()` or `transform()`.

Example - ParamMap

```scala
// set parameters using setter methods.
val lr = new LogisticRegression()

lr.setMaxIter(10).setRegParam(0.01)
```

```scala
// specify parameters using a ParamMap
val lr = new LogisticRegression()

val paramMap = ParamMap(lr.maxIter -> 20)
  .put(lr.maxIter, 30)  // specify one Param
  .put(lr.regParam -> 0.1, lr.threshold -> 0.55)  // specify multiple Params

val model = lr.fit(training, paramMap)
```

Low-Level Data Types - Local Vector

- Stored on a single machine
- Dense and sparse
  - Dense (1.0, 0.0, 3.0): [1.0, 0.0, 3.0]
  - Sparse (1.0, 0.0, 3.0): (3, [0, 2], [1.0, 3.0])

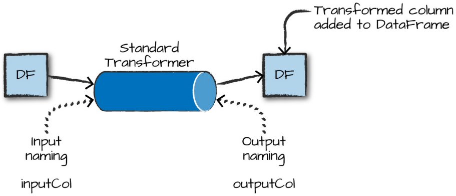
```
import org.apache.spark.mllib.linalg.{Vector, Vectors}

val dv: Vector = Vectors.dense(1.0, 0.0, 3.0)

val sv1: Vector = Vectors.sparse(3, Array(0, 2), Array(1.0, 3.0))
val sv2: Vector = Vectors.sparse(3, Seq((0, 1.0), (2, 3.0)))
```

Preprocessing and Feature Engineering

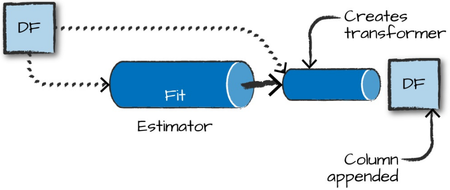
Formatting Models

- In most of classification and regression algorithms, we want to get the data.
  - A column to represent the label (`Double`).
  - A column to represent the features (`Vector`)

Transformers and Estimators



Transformer



Estimator

Transformer Properties

- All transformers require you to specify the input and output columns.
- We can set these with `setInputCol` and `setOutputCol`.

```
val tokenizer = new RegexTokenizer().setInputCol("text").setOutputCol("words")
```

Vector Assembler

- Concatenate all your features into one vector.

```
import org.apache.spark.ml.feature.VectorAssembler

case class Nums(val1: Long, val2: Long, val3: Long)

val numsDF = spark.createDataFrame(Seq(Nums(1, 2, 3), Nums(4, 5, 6), Nums(7, 8, 9))).toDF

val va = new VectorAssembler().setInputCols(Array("val1", "val2", "val3"))
                              .setOutputCol("features")

va.transform(numsDF).show()
```

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Continuous Features - Bucketing

- Convert continuous features into categorical features.

```
import org.apache.spark.ml.feature.Bucketizer

val contDF = spark.range(20).selectExpr("cast(id as double)")
val bucketBorders = Array(-1.0, 5.0, 10.0, 15.0, 20.0)

val bucketer = new Bucketizer().setSplits(bucketBorders).setInputCol("id")

bucketer.transform(contDF).show()
```

Continuous Features - Scaling and Normalization

- To scale and normalize continuous data.

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import org.apache.spark.ml.feature.VectorAssembler

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val va = new VectorAssembler().setInputCols(Array("val1", "val2", "val3"))
                              .setOutputCol("features")
val nums = va.transform(numsDF)
```

```
import org.apache.spark.ml.feature.StandardScaler

val scaler = new StandardScaler().setInputCol("features").setOutputCol("scaled")
scaler.fit(nums).transform(nums).show()
```

Continuous Features - Maximum Absolute Scaler

- Scales the data by dividing each feature by the maximum absolute value in this feature (column).

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import org.apache.spark.ml.feature.VectorAssembler

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val va = new VectorAssembler().setInputCols(Array("val1", "val2", "val3"))
                              .setOutputCol("features")
val nums = va.transform(numsDF)
```

```
import org.apache.spark.ml.feature.MaxAbsScaler

val maScaler = new MaxAbsScaler().setInputCol("features").setOutputCol("mas")
maScaler.fit(nums).transform(nums).show()
```

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Categorical Features - String Indexer

- Maps strings to different numerical IDs.

```
val simpleDF = spark.read.json("simple-ml.json")
```

```
import org.apache.spark.ml.feature.StringIndexer

val lblIndxr = new StringIndexer().setInputCol("lab").setOutputCol("labelInd")
val idxRes = lblIndxr.fit(simpleDF).transform(simpleDF)

idxRes.show()
```

Categorical Features - Converting Indexed Values Back to Text

- Maps back to the original values.

```
import org.apache.spark.ml.feature.IndexToString

val labelReverse = new IndexToString().setInputCol("labelInd").setOutputCol("original")

labelReverse.transform(idxRes).show()
```

Categorical Features - One-Hot Encoding

- Converts each distinct value to a boolean flag as a component in a vector.

```
val simpleDF = spark.read.json("simple-ml.json")
```

```
import org.apache.spark.ml.feature.OneHotEncoder

val lblIndxr = new StringIndexer().setInputCol("color").setOutputCol("colorInd")
val colorLab = lblIndxr.fit(simpleDF).transform(simpleDF.select("color"))
val ohe = new OneHotEncoder().setInputCol("colorInd").setOutputCol("one-hot")
ohe.transform(colorLab).show()

// Since there are three values, the vector is of length 2 and the mapping is as follows:
// 0  -> 10, (2,[0],[1.0])
// 1  -> 01, (2,[1],[1.0])
// 2  -> 00, (2,[],[])
// (2,[0],[1.0]) means a vector of length 2 with 1.0 at position 0 and 0 elsewhere.
```

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Text Data - Tokenizing Text

- Converting free-form text into a list of tokens or individual words.

```
val sales = spark.read.format("csv").option("header", "true").load("sales.csv")
    .where("Description IS NOT NULL")

sales.show(false)
```

```
import org.apache.spark.ml.feature.Tokenizer

val tkn = new Tokenizer().setInputCol("Description").setOutputCol("DescOut")
val tokenized = tkn.transform(sales.select("Description"))
tokenized.show(false)
```

Text Data - Removing Common Words

- Filters stop words, such as "the", "and", and "but".

```
import org.apache.spark.ml.feature.StopWordsRemover

val df = spark.createDataFrame(Seq((0, Seq("I", "saw", "the", "red", "balloon")),
    (1, Seq("Mary", "had", "a", "little", "lamb")))).toDF("id", "raw")

val englishStopWords = StopWordsRemover.loadDefaultStopWords("english")

val stops = new StopWordsRemover().setStopWords(englishStopWords)
    .setInputCol("raw").setOutputCol("WithoutStops")

stops.transform(df).show(false)
```

Text Data - Converting Words into Numerical Representations

- Counts instances of words in word features.
- Treats every row as a document, every word as a term, and the total collection of all terms as the vocabulary.

```
import org.apache.spark.ml.feature.CountVectorizer

val df = spark.createDataFrame(Seq((0, Array("a", "b", "c")),
    (1, Array("a", "b", "b", "c", "a")))).toDF("id", "words")

val cvModel = new CountVectorizer().setInputCol("words").setOutputCol("features")
    .setVocabSize(3).setMinDF(2)

val fittedCV = cvModel.fit(df)

fittedCV.transform(df).show(false)
```

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- Spark: RDD
- Spark SQL: DataFrame
- MLlib
  - Transformers and Estimators
  - Pipeline
  - Feature engineering

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Questions?