Introduction to ETL and ELT Pipelines

ETL AND ELT IN PYTHON



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Data pipelines

... are responsible for moving data from a source to a destination, and transforming it somewhere along the way.

Source — Destination













ETL

- Extract, transform, load
- Traditional data pipeline design pattern
- Sources may be tabular or non-tabular
- Leverage Python with pandas

ELT

- Extract, load, transform
- More recent pattern
- Data warehouses
- Typically tabular data

Extract, transform, load (ETL)

```
def load(data_frame, target_table):
    # Some custom-built Python logic to load data to SQL
    data_frame.to_sql(name=target_table, con=POSTGRES_CONNECTION)
    print(f"Loading data to the {target_table} table")

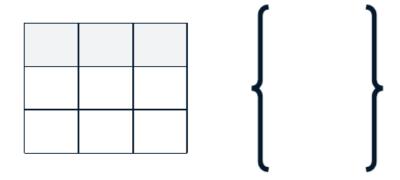
# Now, run the data pipeline
extracted_data = extract(file_name="raw_data.csv")
transformed_data = transform(data_frame=extracted_data)
load(data_frame=transformed_data, target_table="cleaned_data")
```

```
Extracting data from raw_data.csv
Transforming data to remove 'null' records
Loading data to the cleaned_data table
```

Extract, load, transform (ELT)

```
def transform(source_table, target_table):
    data_warehouse.run_sql("""
        CREATE TABLE {target_table} AS
          SELECT
              <field-name>, <field-name>, ...
          FROM {source_table};
    """)
# Similar to ETL pipelines, call the extract, load, and transform functions
extracted_data = extract(file_name="raw_data.csv")
load(data_frame=extracted_data, table_name="raw_data")
transform(source_table="raw_data", target_table="cleaned_data")
```

We'll also take a look at...







Tabular and non-tabular data

- Data transformation
- Writing data to disk, SQL databases

- Unit-testing
- Monitoring
- Deploying to production

Let's practice!

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Building ETL and ELT Pipelines

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Extract Data from a CSV File

```
import pandas as pd

# Read in the CSV file to a DataFrame
data_frame = pd.read_csv("raw_data.csv")
```

```
# Output the first few rows
data_frame.head()
```

	name	num_firms	total_income		
0	Advertising	58	3892.41		
1	Apparel	39	5422.69		
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49	Trucking	35	17324.36		

read_csv()

- Takes a file path, returns a DataFrame
- delimiter, header, engine

.head()

 Outputs the first n number of a DataFrame

Filtering a DataFrame

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	Trucking	35	17324.36

```
name num_firms
1 Apparel 39
37 Apparel 61
```

```
# First, by rows
data_frame.loc[data_frame["name"] == "Apparel", :]

# Then, by columns
data_frame.loc[:, ["name", "num_firms"]]
```

.loc

- Filters a DataFrame
- : means "all"

Write a DataFrame to a CSV File

```
# Write a DataFrame to a .csv file
data_frame.to_csv("cleaned_data.csv")
```

```
.to_csv()
```

- Takes a path, creates DataFrame from file stored at that path
- Can take other parameters to customize the output

Other options, like:

```
.to_json(), .to_excel(), .to_sql()
```

Running SQL Queries

```
data_warehouse.execute( # Use Python clients or other tools to run SQL queries
    11 11 11
    CREATE TABLE total_sales AS
        SELECT
             ds,
             SUM(sales)
        FROM raw_sales_data
        GROUP BY ds;
    11 11 11
```

• Tools like .execute() to run SQL queries

Putting it all together!

```
# Define extract(), transform(), and load() functions
def transform(data_frame, value):
    return data_frame.loc[data_frame["name"] == value, ["name", "num_firms"]]
# First, extract data from a .csv
extracted_data = extract(file_name="raw_data.csv")
# Then, transform the `extracted_data`
transformed_data = transform(data_frame=extracted_data, value="Apparel")
# Finally, load the `transformed_data`
load(data_frame=transformed_data, file_name="cleaned_data.csv")
```

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