

# HIVE BUCKETING

BUCKETING - There are times when there are a lot of distinct values in columns and partitioning is not a good option.

Hence we can select a column which is most frequently accessed using “WHERE” clause and then perform bucketing on that column.

When you perform bucketing on a column, you have to specify the number of buckets which you wish to create. These number of buckets are actually the no of files into which your table’s data will be divided and stored in the form of files.

The number of buckets will depend on the data size as well as you have to do trial and error to find out the best number suited for the optimization.

To create a bucket, you have to enable bucketing:

0: jdbc:hive2://> SET hive.bucketing.enforce=true ;

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0: jdbc:hive2://> set hive.bucketing.enforce ;
+-----+-----+
|          set          |
+-----+-----+
| hive.bucketing.enforce is undefined |
+-----+-----+
1 row selected (0.025 seconds)
0: jdbc:hive2://> set hive.bucketing.enforce=true ;
21/11/10 05:32:09 [main]: WARN processors.SetProcessor: hive configuration hive.bucketing.enforce does not exists.
No rows affected (0.021 seconds)
0: jdbc:hive2://> set hive.bucketing.enforce ;
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|          set          |
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| hive.bucketing.enforce=true |
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1 row selected (0.018 seconds)
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0: jdbc:hive2://> CREATE TABLE products_no_buckets(
..... > id int,
..... > name string,
..... > cost double,
..... > category string)
..... > ROW FORMAT DELIMITED FIELDS TERMINATED BY ',';
OK
No rows affected (0.325 seconds)
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0: jdbc:hive2://> DESCRIBE products\_no\_buckets;

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0: jdbc:hive2://> describe products_no_buckets;
OK
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| col_name | data_type | comment |
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| id       | int      |         |
| name     | string   |         |
| cost     | double   |         |
| category | string   |         |
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4 rows selected (0.596 seconds)
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0: jdbc:hive2://> SELECT \* FROM products\_no\_buckets;

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0: jdbc:hive2://> SELECT * FROM products_no_buckets;
OK
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products_no_buckets.id	products_no_buckets.name	products_no_buckets.cost	products_no_buckets.category
1	iPhone	379.99	mobiles
2	doll	8.99	toys
3	Galaxy X	100.0	mobile
5	Nokia Y	39.99	mobile
6	truck	7.99	toys
7	makeup	100.0	fashion
8	earrings	69.0	fashion
9	chair	129.0	furniture
10	table	269.0	furniture
11	waterpistol	9.0	toys

10 rows selected (0.402 seconds)

0: jdbc:hive2://> CREATE TABLE products\_w\_buckets(

..... > id int,  
..... > name string,  
..... > cost double,  
..... > category string)  
..... > CLUSTERED BY (id) INTO 4 BUCKETS;

OK

No rows affected (0.325 seconds)

0: jdbc:hive2://> INSERT INTO products\_w\_buckets

..... > select \* from products\_no\_buckets;

Verify that the records are inserted in the table products\_w\_buckets and check the data present in each bucket :

0: jdbc:hive2://> select \* from products\_w\_buckets TABLESAMPLE(bucket 1 out of 4);

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0: jdbc:hive2://> select * from products_w_buckets TABLESAMPLE(bucket 1 out of 4);
OK
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products_w_buckets.id	products_w_buckets.name	products_w_buckets.cost	products_w_buckets.category
8	earrings	69.0	fashion

1 row selected (0.986 seconds)

0: jdbc:hive2://> select \* from products\_w\_buckets TABLESAMPLE(bucket 2 out of 4);

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0: jdbc:hive2://> select * from products_w_buckets TABLESAMPLE(bucket 2 out of 4);
OK
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products_w_buckets.id	products_w_buckets.name	products_w_buckets.cost	products_w_buckets.category
1	iPhone	379.99	mobiles
5	Nokia Y	39.99	mobile
9	chair	129.0	furniture

3 rows selected (0.565 seconds)

0: jdbc:hive2://> select \* from products\_w\_buckets TABLESAMPLE(bucket 3 out of 4);

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0: jdbc:hive2://> select * from products_w_buckets TABLESAMPLE(bucket 3 out of 4);
OK
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products_w_buckets.id	products_w_buckets.name	products_w_buckets.cost	products_w_buckets.category
2	doll	8.99	toys
6	truck	7.99	toys
10	table	269.0	furniture

3 rows selected (0.411 seconds)

0: jdbc:hive2://> select \* from products\_w\_buckets TABLESAMPLE(bucket 4 out of 4);

0: jdbc:hive2://> select \* from products\_w\_buckets TABLESAMPLE(bucket 4 out of 4);

OK

products_w_buckets.id	products_w_buckets.name	products_w_buckets.cost	products_w_buckets.category
3	Galaxy X	100.0	mobile
7	makeup	100.0	fashion
11	waterpistol	9.0	toys

3 rows selected (0.511 seconds)