CSC 735 – Data Analytics

Chapter 8
Joins

Joins

- Allow us to bring together the data from multiple datasets
- This allows us to analyze the combined dataset in ways that we couldn't with just each individual dataset
 - Customers table
 - Transactions table
- Every join must have a join expression (condition) and a join type

Join Expressions

 The join expression is used to decide which rows from the left dataset join with which rows in the right dataset

Join Types

- A join type determines what should be in the result of the join
- Join types include: inner joins, outer joints, ...

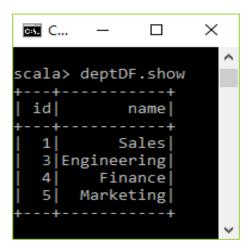
- The most commonly used join type with the join expression containing the equality comparison
- The result will contain the rows for which the join expression evaluates to true
- Inner join is the default join type

Creating the Datasets

```
case class Employee(first_name:String, dept_no:Long)
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val employeeDF = Seq(Employee("John", 1),
                                                        scala> employeeDF.show
             Employee("Jeff", 3),
                                                         first_name|dept_no
             Employee("Mary", 3),
                                                             John
             Employee("Mandy", 4),
                                                             Jeff
             Employee("Julie", 4),
             Employee("Kurt", null.asInstanceOf[Int])
                                                             Kurt
             ).toDF
employeeDF.createOrReplaceTempView("employees")
```

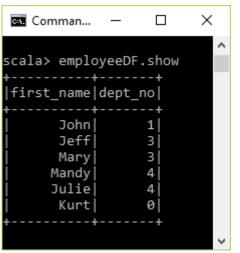
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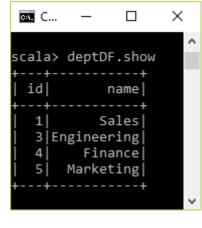
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Example

```
val joinExpression = employeeDF.col("dept_no") === deptDF.col("id")
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 If the column names are not unique, we need to specify which DF a particular column comes from

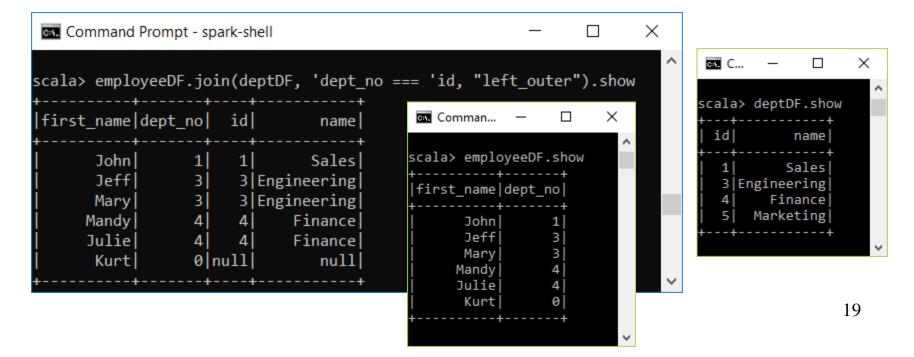
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Left Outer Joins – SQL Way

```
Command Prompt - spark-shell
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scala> spark.sql("select * from employees LEFT OUTER JOIN departments on dept_no == id").show
|first_name|dept_no| id|
                               name
      John
                      1
                              Sales
      Jeff
                      3 Engineering
                 3
                      3 Engineering
      Mary
                 4
                      4
                            Finance
     Mandy
     Julie
                            Finance
                 0 | null |
                               null
      Kurt
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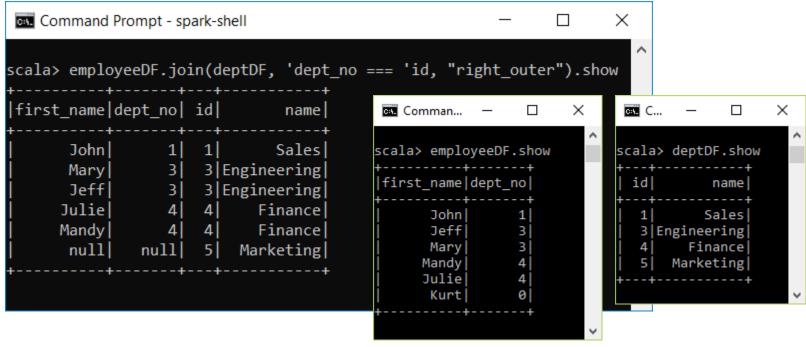
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scala> employeeDF.join(deptDF, 'dept_no === 'id, "right_outer").show
|first name|dept no| id|
                               name
                              Sales
      John
                     3 Engineering
      Mary
                     3 Engineering
      Jeff
     Julie
                            Finance
                            Finance
     Mandy
                      5 Marketing
      null
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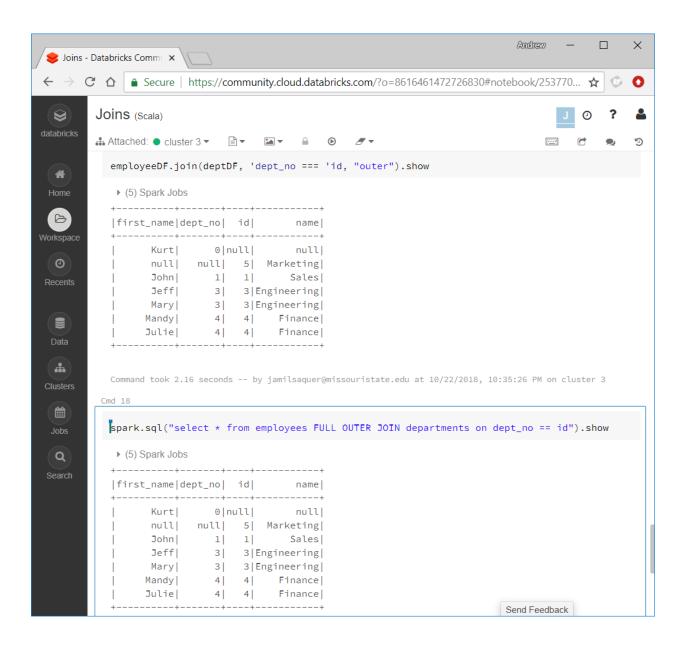
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scala> spark.sql("select * from employees RIGHT OUTER JOIN departments on dept no == id").show
|first_name|dept_no| id|
                              name
                             Sales
      John
                     3 Engineering
      Mary
                     3 Engineering
      Jeff
                     4
     Julie
                           Finance
     Mandy
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Outer Joins (aka Full Outer Joins)

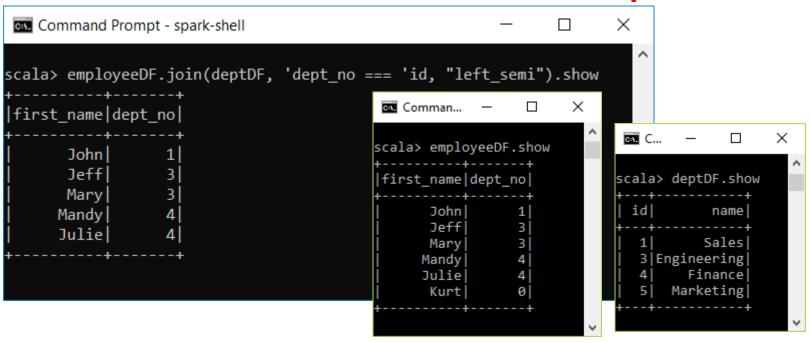
 Combines both the left outer join and the right outer join

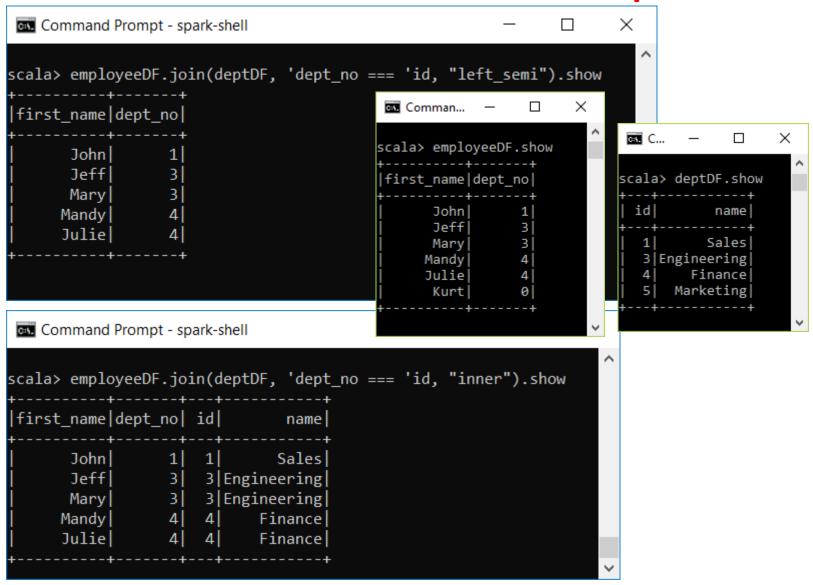
```
employeeDF.join(deptDF, 'dept_no === 'id, "outer").show
spark.sql("""select *
from employees FULL OUTER JOIN departments
on dept_no == id""").show
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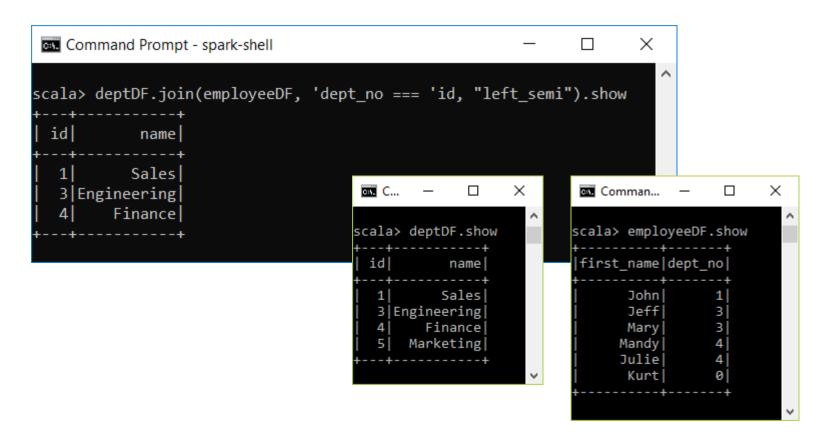


Left Semi Joins

- It is similar to the inner join but contains rows only from the left dataset
- I.e., the result dataset contains only the rows in the left dataset that have matching rows in the other dataset







Left Semi Joins – SQL Way

Left Semi Joins – Equivalent SQL Commands

You can achieve left semi join with IN or EXISTS in SQL

```
Command Prompt - spark-shell
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scala> spark.sql("select * from employees where dept_no in (select id from departments)").show
first_name|dept_no|
       John
       Jeff
       Mary
      Mandy
      Julie
Command Prompt - spark-shell
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scala> spark.sql("select * from employees where exists (select 'a' from departments where id = dept no)").show
first name | dept no |
      John
      Jeff
                 3
      Mary
     Mandy
     Julie
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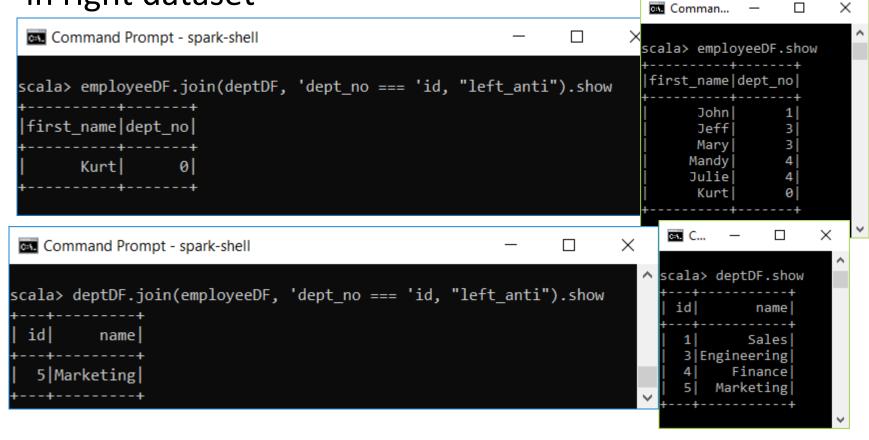
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                                                                    scala> employeeDF.show
                                                                              |first_name|dept_no|
scala> employeeDF.join(deptDF, 'dept no === 'id, "left anti").show
                                                                                    John
|first_name|dept_no|
                                                                                    Jeff
                                                                                    Mary
                                                                                   Mandy
       Kurt
                                                                                   Julie
                                                                                    Kurt
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                                                                                scala> deptDF.show
                                                                                 idl
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scala> spark.sql("select * from employees where dept no not in (select id from departments)").show
first name dept no
       Kurt
Command Prompt - spark-shell
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scala> spark.sql("select * from employees where not exists (select 'a' from departments where id = dept_no)").show
|first name|dept no
      Kurt
```

Cross (aka Cartesian) Joins

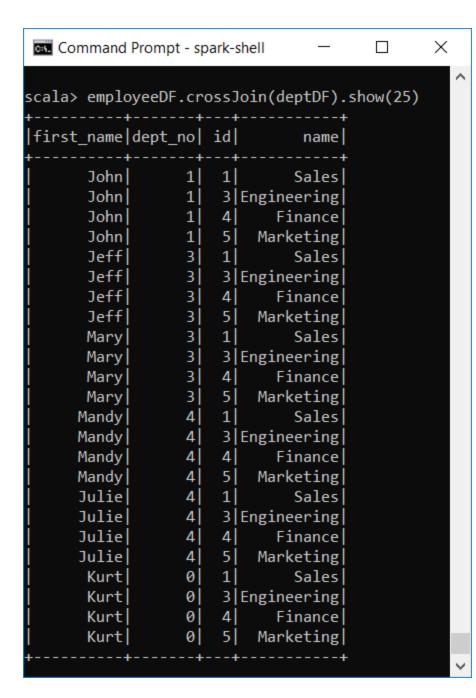
- Simple to use because no join expression is needed
- Every single row in the left dataset will join with every single row in the right dataset
- Size of the result dataset can be huge
- Better to specify as a transformation

```
employeeDF.crossJoin(deptDF).show

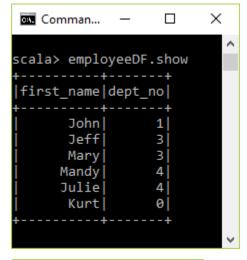
//SQL Way
spark.sql("select * from employees CROSS JOIN departments").show()
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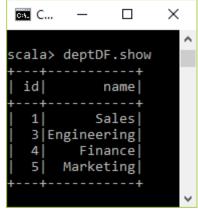
Cross Joins

```
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scala> employeeDF.show
|first_name|dept_no|
       John
                  3
3
4
       Jeff
      Mary
     Mandy
                  4
      Julie
                  0
       Kurt
 о<del>л.</del> С...
               X
scala> deptDF.show
 id
            name
           Sales
   3 Engineering
   4
         Finance
       Marketing
```



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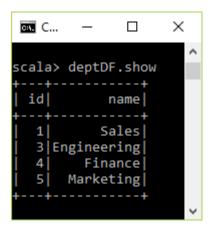
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deptDF2.show

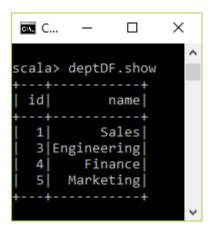
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```



```
val dupNameDF = employeeDF.join(deptDF2,
   employeeDF.col("dept_no") === deptDF2.col("dept_no"))
```

```
Julie
                                  Kurt
Command ...
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scala> deptDF2.show
            name dept no
           Sales
   3 Engineering
         Finance
       Marketing
```

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scala> employeeDF.show

first name dept no

John

Jeff

Mary Mandy

```
scala> employeeDF.show
                                                                   first name dept no
val dupNameDF = employeeDF.join(deptDF2,
    employeeDF.col("dept_no") === deptDF2.col("dept_no"))
dupNameDF.printSchema
root
|-- first_name: string (nullable = true)
                                           Command ...
|-- dept_no: long (nullable = false)
                                          scala> deptDF2.show
|-- id: long (nullable = false)
                                                     name dept no
|-- name: string (nullable = true)
                                            idl
|-- dept_no: long (nullable = false)
                                                    Sales
                                             3 Engineering
                                                  Finance
                                                Marketing
```

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John

Jeff

Mary Mandy

Julie Kurt

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```
Handling Duplicate Column Names
                                                                scala> employeeDF.show
                                                                first name dept no
                                                                    John
val dupNameDF = employeeDF.join(deptDF2,
                                                                    Jeff
   employeeDF.col("dept_no") === deptDF2.col("dept_no"))
                                                                    Mary
                                                                   Mandy
dupNameDF.printSchema
                                                                    Julie
                                                                    Kurt
root
|-- first_name: string (nullable = true)
                                         Command ...
                                                                 X
|-- dept_no: long (nullable = false)
                                         scala> deptDF2.show
|-- id: long (nullable = false)
                                                  name dept no
|-- name: string (nullable = true)
                                          idl
|-- dept_no: long (nullable = false)
                                                 Sales
                                           3 Engineering
                                                Finance
dupNameDF.select("dept_no")
                                              Marketing
```

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first name dept no
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                                                                    Mandy
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                                                                  X
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                                         scala> deptDF2.show
|-- id: long (nullable = false)
                                                   name dept no
|-- name: string (nullable = true)
|-- dept_no: long (nullable = false)
                                                  Sales
                                           3 Engineering
                                                Finance
dupNameDF.select("dept_no")
                                              Marketing
org.apache.spark.sql.AnalysisException: Reference 'dept_no' is
ambiguous, could be: dept_no, dept_no.;
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scala> employeeDF.show

John

Jeff

Mary

Kurt

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 - Using a different join API
 - Specifying a column name with its original DF
 - Renaming a column before the join
 - Dropping a column after the join

1. Using a Different Join API

- These versions of join automatically remove duplicate column names
 - join(right: DF, usingColumn: String): DF
 Inner join with a single column
 - join(right: DF, usingColumns: Seq[String]): DF Inner join with multiple columns
- join(right: DF, usingColumns: Seq[String], joinType: String): DF

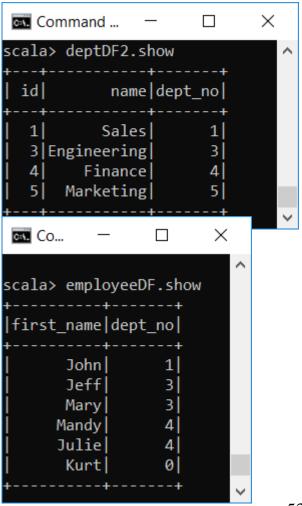
 Join with multiple columns and a join type

Using a Different Join API – Example

```
Command Prompt - spark-shell — X

scala> employeeDF.join(deptDF2, "dept_no").show

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| dept_no|first_name| id| name|
+----+
| 1| John| 1| Sales|
| 3| Jeff| 3|Engineering|
| 3| Mary| 3|Engineering|
| 4| Mandy| 4| Finance|
| 4| Julie| 4| Finance|
+-----+
```



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```
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scala> employeeDF.join(deptDF2, Seq("dept_no")).show
|dept_no|first_name| id|
                               name
                              Sales
               John
                      3 Engineering
              Jeff
      3
                     3 Engineering
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      4
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Command Prompt - spark-shell
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scala> employeeDF.join(deptDF2, Seq("dept no"), "left semi").show
dept no first name
               John
               Jeff
              Mary
             Mandy
              Julie
```

2. Specifying a Column Name with its Original DF

 The joined DF remembers which columns come from which original DF during the joining process

```
dupNameDF.select(deptDF2.col("dept_no"))
```

```
Command Prompt - spark-shell — X

scala> dupNameDF.select(deptDF2.col("dept_no")).show

+----+
| dept_no|
+----+
| 1|
| 3|
| 3|
| 4|
| 4|
+----+
```

3. Renaming a Column before the Join

 Use the withColumnRenamed transformation before doing the join

```
employeeDF.withColumnRenamed("dept_no",
  "department_number")
  .join(deptDF2, 'department_number === 'dept_no).show()
```

```
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 Command Prompt - spark-shell
scala> employeeDF.withColumnRenamed("dept no",
          "department number").join(deptDF2,
            'department number === 'dept no).show()
first name department number id
                                         name dept no
                                        Sales
       John
                                3 Engineering
       Jeff
                                3 Engineering
      Mary
                                      Finance
      Mandy
                                      Finance
      Julie
```

4. Dropping a Column after the Join

We need to refer to the column via the original source DF

```
val dupNameDF = employeeDF.join(deptDF2,
    employeeDF.col("dept_no") === deptDF2.col("dept_no"))
dupNameDF.drop(deptDF2.col("dept_no")).select("dept_no").sho
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- Join these rows

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Broadcast Hash Join

- Broadcast join is preferred when possible
- Spark can automatically figure out whether to use a broadcast hash join or shuffle hash join
- We can provide a hint to Spark to use a broadcast join

```
import org.apache.spark.sql.functions.broadcast
//print the explain plan to verify broadcast hash join strategy is used
employeeDF.join(broadcast(deptDF),
        employeeDF.col("dept_no") === deptDF.col("id")).explain()
== Physical Plan ==
*(1) BroadcastHashJoin [dept_no#634L], [id#640L], Inner, BuildRight, false
:- LocalTableScan [first_name#633, dept_no#634L]
+- BroadcastExchange HashedRelationBroadcastMode(List(input[0, bigint, false]))
+- LocalTableScan [id#640L, name#641]
```