

# Caching

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# What is caching?

- Keeping data in memory
- Spark tends to unload memory aggressively

# Eviction Policy

- Least Recently Used (LRU)
- Eviction happens independently on each worker
- Depends on memory available to each worker

# Caching a dataframe

**TO CACHE A DATAFRAME:**

```
df.cache()
```

**TO UNCACHE IT:**

```
df.unpersist()
```

# Determining whether a dataframe is cached

```
df.is_cached
```

```
False
```

```
df.cache()  
df.is_cached
```

```
True
```

# Uncaching a dataframe

```
df.unpersist()  
df.is_cached()
```

```
False
```

# Storage level

```
df.unpersist()  
df.cache()  
df.storageLevel
```

```
StorageLevel(True, True, False, True, 1)
```

In the storage level above the following hold:

1. `useDisk` = True
2. `useMemory` = True
3. `useOffHeap` = False
4. `deserialized` = True
5. `replication` = 1

# Persisting a dataframe

The following are equivalent in Spark 2.1+ :

- `df.persist()`
- `df.persist(storageLevel=pyspark.StorageLevel.MEMORY_AND_DISK)`
- `df.cache()` is the same as `df.persist()`



# Caching a table

```
df.createOrReplaceTempView('df')  
spark.catalog.isCached(tableName='df')
```

False

```
spark.catalog.cacheTable('df')  
spark.catalog.isCached(tableName='df')
```

True

# Uncaching a table

```
spark.catalog.uncacheTable('df')  
spark.catalog.isCached(tableName='df')
```

```
False
```

```
spark.catalog.clearCache()
```

# Tips

- Caching is lazy
- Only cache if more than one operation is to be performed
- Unpersist when you no longer need the object
- Cache selectively

# Let's practice

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# The Spark UI

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# Use the Spark UI inspect execution

- **Spark Task** is a unit of execution that runs on a single cpu
- **Spark Stage** a group of tasks that perform the same computation in parallel, each task typically running on a different subset of the data
- **Spark Job** is a computation triggered by an action, sliced into one or more stages.

# Finding the Spark UI

1. `http://[DRIVER_HOST]:4040`
2. `http://[DRIVER_HOST]:4041`
3. `http://[DRIVER_HOST]:4042`
4. `http://[DRIVER_HOST]:4043`
- ...

# Spark Jobs (?)

**User:** mark

**Total Uptime:** 3 s

**Scheduling Mode:** FIFO

► [Event Timeline](#)



# Spark Jobs (?)

User: mark

Total Uptime: 9.1 min

Scheduling Mode: FIFO

Completed Jobs: 1

▶ Event Timeline

## Completed Jobs (1)

| Job Id<br>▼ | Description                             | Submitted              | Duration | Stages:<br>Succeeded/Total | Tasks (for all stages):<br>Succeeded/Total |
|-------------|---|------------------------|----------|----------------------------|--|
| 0           | load at NativeMethodAccessorImpl.java:0 | 2018/12/23<br>19:56:18 | 0.5 s    | 1/1                        | 1/1  |

# Storage

## RDDs

| RDD Name   | Storage Level                        | Cached Partitions | Fraction Cached | Size in Memory | Size on Disk |
|--|--------------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|----------------|--------------|
| *FileScan parquet [word#9,id#10L,title#11,part#12] Batched: true, Format: Parquet, Location:<br>InMemoryFileIndex[file:/Users/mark/code/datacamp_py/sherlock_full_parts.parquet], PartitionFilters: [], PushedFilters: [], ReadSchema: struct<word:string,id:bigint,title:string,part:int> | Memory Deserialized<br>1x Replicated | 1                 | 100%            | 554.9 KB       | 0.0 B        |

# Spark catalog operations

- `spark.catalog.cacheTable('table1')`
- `spark.catalog.uncacheTable('table1')`
- `spark.catalog.isCached('table1')`
- `spark.catalog.dropTempView('table1')`

# Spark Catalog

```
spark.catalog.listTables()
```

```
[Table(name='text', database=None, description=None, tableType='TEMPORARY', isTempor
```

# Storage

## RDDs

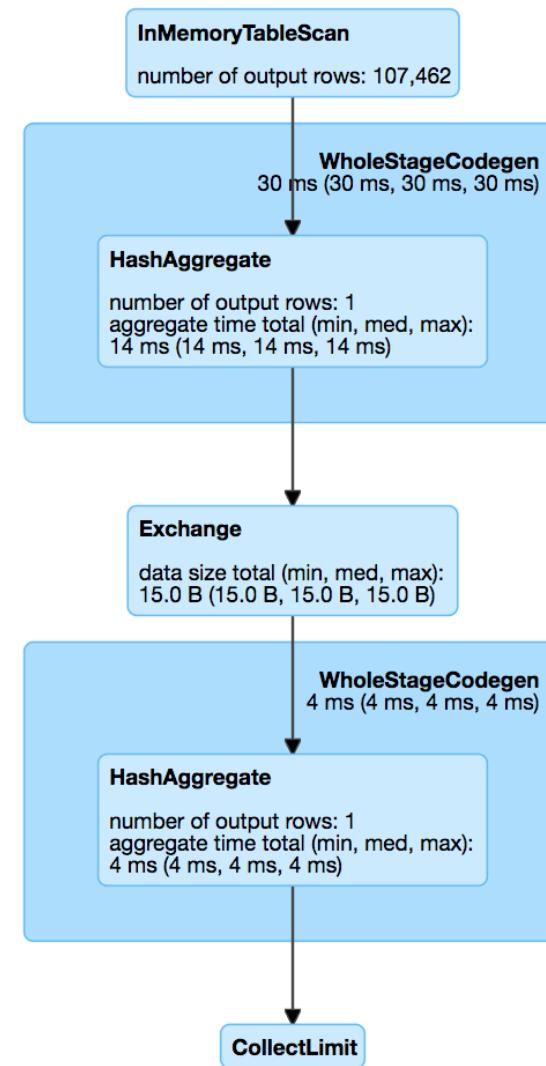
| RDD Name                           | Storage Level                     | Cached Partitions | Fraction Cached | Size in Memory | Size on Disk |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|----------------|--------------|
| <a href="#">In-memory table df</a> | Memory Deserialized 1x Replicated | 1                 | 100%            | 554.9 KB       | 0.0 B        |

## Details for Query 1

Submitted Time: 2018/12/23 20:16:51

Duration: 0.9 s

Succeeded Jobs: [2](#)



► [Details](#)

# Spark UI Storage Tab

Shows where data partitions exist

- in memory,
- or on disk,
- across the cluster,
- at a snapshot in time.

# Spark UI SQL tab

```
query3agg = """
SELECT w1, w2, w3, COUNT(*) as count FROM (
    SELECT
    word AS w1,
    LEAD(word,1) OVER(PARTITION BY part ORDER BY id ) AS w2,
    LEAD(word,2) OVER(PARTITION BY part ORDER BY id ) AS w3
    FROM df
)
GROUP BY w1, w2, w3
ORDER BY count DESC
"""

spark.sql(query3agg).show()
```

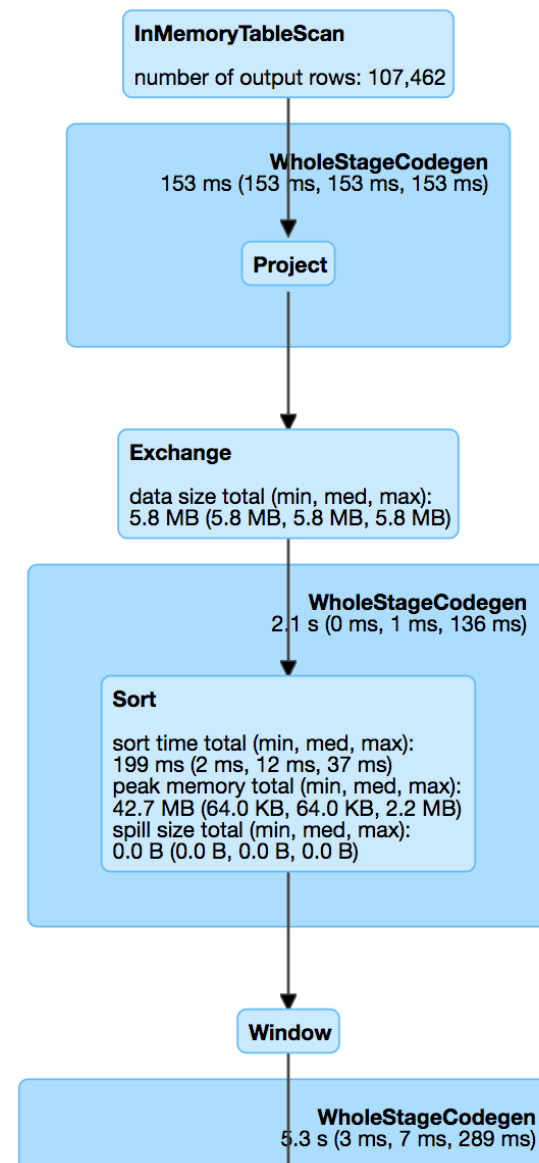


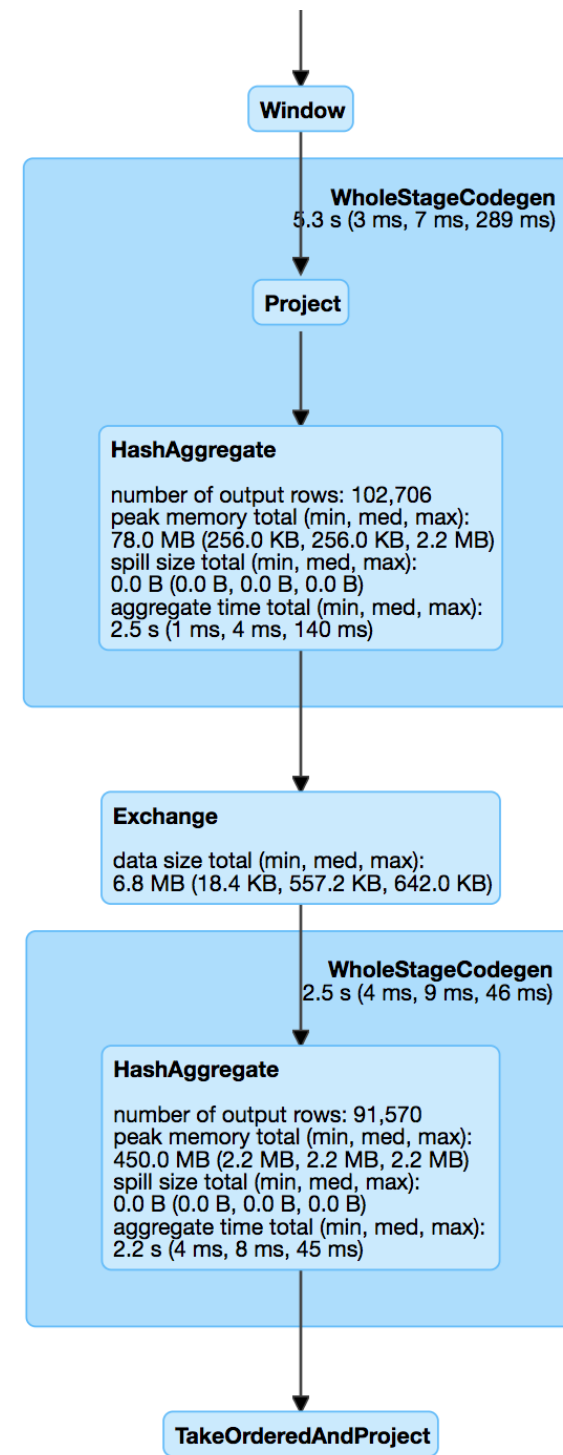
## Details for Query 2

**Submitted Time:** 2018/12/23 20:54:16

**Duration:** 4 s

**Succeeded Jobs:** 3





▸ Details

## Stages for All Jobs

Completed Stages: 6

### Completed Stages (6)

| Stage Id<br>▼ | Description   | Submitted              | Duration | Tasks:<br>Succeeded/Total | Input       | Output | Shuffle<br>Read | Shuffle<br>Write |
|---------------|---|------------------------|----------|---------------------------|-------------|--------|-----------------|------------------|
| 5             | <a href="#">showString at NativeMethodAccessorImpl.java:0</a><br>+details | 2018/12/23<br>20:54:19 | 0.6 s    | 200/200                   |             |        | 3.7 MB          |                  |
| 4             | <a href="#">showString at NativeMethodAccessorImpl.java:0</a><br>+details | 2018/12/23<br>20:54:17 | 2 s      | 200/200                   |             |        | 1972.4 KB       | 3.7 MB           |
| 3             | <a href="#">showString at NativeMethodAccessorImpl.java:0</a><br>+details | 2018/12/23<br>20:54:16 | 0.8 s    | 1/1                       | 677.8<br>KB |        |                 | 1972.4 KB        |
| 2             | <a href="#">hasNext at NativeMethodAccessorImpl.java:0</a><br>+details    | 2018/12/23<br>20:52:41 | 12 ms    | 1/1                       |             |        |                 |                  |
| 1             | <a href="#">hasNext at NativeMethodAccessorImpl.java:0</a><br>+details    | 2018/12/23<br>20:52:41 | 11 ms    | 1/1                       |             |        |                 |                  |
| 0             | <a href="#">load at NativeMethodAccessorImpl.java:0</a> +details          | 2018/12/23<br>20:52:33 | 0.3 s    | 1/1                       |             |        |                 |                  |

# Spark Jobs (?)

**User:** mark

**Total Uptime:** 18 min

**Scheduling Mode:** FIFO

**Completed Jobs:** 4

▶ [Event Timeline](#)

## Completed Jobs (4)

| Job Id<br>▼ | Description   | Submitted              | Duration | Stages:<br>Succeeded/Total | Tasks (for all stages):<br>Succeeded/Total |
|-------------|---|------------------------|----------|----------------------------|--|
| 3           | <a href="#">showString at NativeMethodAccessorImpl.java:0</a> | 2018/12/23<br>20:54:16 | 4 s      | 3/3                        | 401/401                                    |
| 2           | <a href="#">hasNext at NativeMethodAccessorImpl.java:0</a>    | 2018/12/23<br>20:52:41 | 20 ms    | 1/1                        | 1/1  |
| 1           | <a href="#">hasNext at NativeMethodAccessorImpl.java:0</a>    | 2018/12/23<br>20:52:41 | 18 ms    | 1/1                        | 1/1  |
| 0           | <a href="#">load at NativeMethodAccessorImpl.java:0</a>       | 2018/12/23<br>20:52:33 | 0.5 s    | 1/1                        | 1/1  |

# Let's practice

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# Logging

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# Logging primer

```
import logging
logging.basicConfig(stream=sys.stdout, level=logging.INFO,
                    format='%(asctime)s - %(levelname)s - %(message)s')
logging.info("Hello %s", "world")
logging.debug("Hello, take %d", 2)
```

```
2019-03-14 15:92:65,359 - INFO - Hello world
```

# Logging with DEBUG level

```
import logging
logging.basicConfig(stream=sys.stdout, level=logging.DEBUG,
                    format='%(asctime)s - %(levelname)s - %(message)s')
logging.info("Hello %s", "world")
logging.debug("Hello, take %d", 2)
```

```
2018-03-14 12:00:00,000 - INFO - Hello world
2018-03-14 12:00:00,001 - DEBUG - Hello, take 2
```



# Debugging lazy evaluation

- lazy evaluation
- distributed execution

# A simple timer

```
t = timer()  
t.elapsed()
```

```
1. elapsed: 0.0 sec
```

```
t.elapsed() # Do something that takes 2 seconds
```

```
2. elapsed: 2.0 sec
```

```
t.reset() # Do something else that takes time: reset  
t.elapsed()
```

```
3. elapsed: 0.0 sec
```

# class timer

```
class timer:
    start_time = time.time()
    step = 0

    def elapsed(self, reset=True):
        self.step += 1
        print("%d. elapsed: %.1f sec %s"
              % (self.step, time.time() - self.start_time))
        if reset:
            self.reset()

    def reset(self):
        self.start_time = time.time()
```

# Stealth CPU wastage

```
import logging
logging.basicConfig(level=logging.INFO,
                    format='%(asctime)s - %(levelname)s - %(message)s')

# < create dataframe df here >

t = timer()
logging.info("No action here.")
t.elapsed()
logging.debug("df has %d rows.", df.count())
t.elapsed()
```

```
2018-12-23 22:24:20,472 - INFO - No action here.
1. elapsed: 0.0 sec
2. elapsed: 2.0 sec
```

# Disable actions

```
ENABLED = False

t = timer()
logger.info("No action here.")
t.elapsed()

if ENABLED:
    logger.info("df has %d rows.", df.count())
t.elapsed()
```

```
2019-03-14 12:34:56,789 - Pyspark - INFO - No action here.
1. elapsed: 0.0 sec
2. elapsed: 0.0 sec
```

# Enabling actions

Rerunning the previous example with `ENABLED = True` triggers the action:

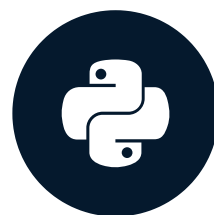
```
2019-03-14 12:34:56,789 - INFO - No action here.  
1. elapsed: 0.0 sec  
2019-03-14 12:34:58,789 - INFO - df has 1107014 rows.  
2. elapsed: 2.0 sec
```

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# Query Plans

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# Explain

```
EXPLAIN SELECT * FROM table1
```

# Load dataframe and register

```
df = spark.read.load('/temp/df.parquet')
```

```
df.registerTempTable('df')
```

# Running an EXPLAIN query

```
spark.sql('EXPLAIN SELECT * FROM df').first()
```

```
Row(plan='== Physical Plan ==\n\n*FileScan parquet [word#1928,id#1929L,title#1930,part#1931]\n\n  Batched: true,\n  Format: Parquet,\n  Location: InMemoryFileIndex[file:/temp/df.parquet],\n  PartitionFilters: [],\n  PushedFilters: [],\n  ReadSchema: struct<word:string,id:bigint,title:string,part:int>')
```

# Interpreting an EXPLAIN query

== Physical Plan ==

- FileScan parquet [word#1928,id#1929L,title#1930,part#1931]
- Batched: true,
- Format: Parquet,
- Location: InMemoryFileIndex[file:/temp/df.parquet],
- PartitionFilters: [],
- PushedFilters: [],
- ReadSchema: struct<word:string,id:bigint,title:string,part:int>'

# df.explain()

```
df.explain()
```

```
== Physical Plan ==  
FileScan parquet [word#963,id#964L,title#965,part#966]  
Batched: true, Format: Parquet,  
Location: InMemoryFileIndex[file:/temp/df.parquet],  
PartitionFilters: [], PushedFilters: [],  
ReadSchema: struct<word:string,id:bigint,title:string,part:int>
```

```
spark.sql("SELECT * FROM df").explain()
```

```
== Physical Plan ==  
FileScan parquet [word#712,id#713L,title#714,part#715]  
Batched: true, Format: Parquet,  
Location: InMemoryFileIndex[file:/temp/df.parquet],  
PartitionFilters: [], PushedFilters: [],  
ReadSchema: struct<word:string,id:bigint,title:string,part:int>
```

# df.explain(), on cached dataframe

```
df.cache()  
df.explain()
```

```
== Physical Plan ==  
InMemoryTableScan [word#0, id#1L, title#2, part#3]  
  +- InMemoryRelation [word#0, id#1L, title#2, part#3], true, 10000, StorageLevel(disk, memory, deserialized, 1 replicas)  
    +- FileScan parquet [word#0,id#1L,title#2,part#3]  
      Batched: true, Format: Parquet, Location:  
      InMemoryFileIndex[file:/temp/df.parquet],  
      PartitionFilters: [], PushedFilters: [],  
      ReadSchema: struct<word:string,id:bigint,title:string,part:int>
```

```
spark.sql("SELECT * FROM df").explain()
```

```
== Physical Plan ==  
InMemoryTableScan [word#0, id#1L, title#2, part#3]  
  +- InMemoryRelation [word#0, id#1L, title#2, part#3], true, 10000, StorageLevel(disk, memory, deserialized, 1 replicas)  
    +- FileScan parquet [word#0,id#1L,title#2,part#3]  
      Batched: true, Format: Parquet,  
      Location: InMemoryFileIndex[file:/temp/df.parquet],  
      PartitionFilters: [], PushedFilters: [],  
      ReadSchema: struct<word:string,id:bigint,title:string,part:int>
```

# Words sorted by frequency query

```
SELECT word, COUNT(*) AS count
FROM df
GROUP BY word
ORDER BY count DESC
```

Equivalent dot notation approach:

```
df.groupBy('word')
  .count()
  .sort(desc('count'))
  .explain()
```

# Same query using dataframe dot notation

```
== Physical Plan ==
*Sort [count#1040L DESC NULLS LAST], true, 0
+- Exchange rangepartitioning(count#1040L DESC NULLS LAST, 200)
   +- *HashAggregate(keys=[word#963], functions=[count(1)])
      +- Exchange hashpartitioning(word#963, 200)
         +- *HashAggregate(keys=[word#963], functions=[partial_count(1)])
            +- InMemoryTableScan [word#963]
               +- InMemoryRelation [word#963, id#964L, title#965, part#966],
                  true,10000, StorageLevel(disk, memory, deserialized,
                  1 replicas)
                     +- *FileScan parquet [word#963,id#964L,title#965,part#966]
                        Batched: true, Format: Parquet,
                        Location: InMemoryFileIndex[file:/temp/df.parquet],
                        PartitionFilters: [], PushedFilters: [],
                        ReadSchema: struct<word:string,id:bigint,title:string,part:int>
```



# Reading from bottom up

- `FileScan parquet`
- `InMemoryRelation`
- `InMemoryTableScan`
- `HashAggregate(keys=[word#963], ...)``
- `HashAggregate(keys=[word#963], functions=[count(1)])``
- `Sort [count#1040L DESC NULLS LAST]``

# Query plan

```
== Physical Plan ==
*Sort [count#1160L DESC NULLS LAST], true, 0
+- Exchange rangepartitioning(count#1160L DESC NULLS LAST, 200)
   +- *HashAggregate(keys=[word#963], functions=[count(1)])
      +- Exchange hashpartitioning(word#963, 200)
         +- *HashAggregate(keys=[word#963], functions=[partial_count(1)])
            +- *FileScan parquet [word#963] Batched: true, Format: Parquet,
               Location: InMemoryFileIndex[file:/temp/df.parquet], PartitionFilters: [],
               PushedFilters: [], ReadSchema: struct<word:string>
```

The previous plan had the following lines, which are missing from the plan above:

```
...
    +- InMemoryTableScan [word#963]
       +- InMemoryRelation [word#963, id#964L, title#965, part#966], true, 10000,
          StorageLevel(disk, memory, deserialized, 1 replicas)
...
```

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