

Hadoop and Spark Developer - CCA 175


File Formats

Quick reference table for reading and writing into several file formats in hdfs.



File Format	Action	Procedure and points to remember
TEXT FILE	READ	<code>sparkContext.textFile(<path to file>);</code>
	WRITE	<code>sparkContext.saveAsTextFile(<path to file>, classOf[compressionCodecClass]);</code> //use any codec here <code>org.apache.hadoop.io.compress.(BZip2Codec or GZipCodec or SnappyCodec)</code>
SEQUENCE FILE	READ	<code>sparkContext.sequenceFile(<path location>, classOf[<class name>], classOf[compressionCodecClass >]);</code> //read the head of sequence file to understand what two class names need to be used here
	WRITE	<code>rdd.saveAsSequenceFile(<path location>, Some(classOf[compressionCodecClass]))</code> //use any codec here (BZip2Codec, GZipCodec, SnappyCodec) //here rdd is MapPartitionRDD and not the regular pair RDD.
PARQUET FILE	READ	//use data frame to load the file. <code>sqlContext.read.parquet(<path to location>);</code> //this results in a data frame object.
	WRITE	<code>sqlContext.setConf("spark.sql.parquet.compression.codec", "gzip")</code> //use gzip, snappy, lzo or uncompressed here <code>dataFrame.write.parquet(<path to location>);</code>
ORC FILE	READ	<code>sqlContext.read.orc(<path to location>);</code> //this results in a dataframe
	WRITE	<code>df.write.mode(SaveMode.Overwrite).format("orc") .save(<path to location>)</code>
AVRO FILE	READ	<code>import com.databricks.spark.avro._;</code> <code>sqlContext.read.avro(<path to location>);</code> // this results in a data frame object
	WRITE	<code>sqlContext.setConf("spark.sql.avro.compression.codec", "snappy")</code> //use snappy, deflate, uncompressed; <code>dataFrame.write.avro(<path to location>);</code>
JSON FILE	READ	<code>sqlContext.read.json();</code>
	WRITE	<code>dataFrame.toJSON().saveAsTextFile(<path to location>, classOf[Compression Codec])</code>






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 **amitrock** May 6, 2017 at 9:41 PM
Arun , Are you preparing contents for Configurations as per the last module of CCA175 syllabus ???
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 **Arun Kumar Pasuparthi**  May 10, 2017 at 5:58 PM
Yes, this is as per new syllabus. Please go through the prep plan page and the corresponding video.
<http://arun-teaches-u-tech.blogspot.com/p/certification-preparation-plan.html>
<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLRLUm7no962j8cf-mpXjrQqusWvw-gJx>

 **amitrock** May 22, 2017 at 4:36 AM
Arun , I was expecting the Spark-Submit scenarios.
Is there any specific deadline by which you will finish the entire PlayList ?
I have already paid for the certification but due to syllabus change I have not yet given the certification exam.



 **Arun Kumar Pasuparthi**  May 22, 2017 at 5:12 AM
I am working on a scenario that combines spark streaming and submit. Will have them ready by end of this week.

 **Anjaneya** July 28, 2017 at 12:56 PM
Hi Arun...Wonderful work. Thanks for sharing with us.
As mentioned above, could you please post streaming and submit questions?

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 **Sandeep K** May 21, 2017 at 6:50 AM
Arun, Sequence file write working only if `rdd.saveAsSequenceFile(Some(classOf[]))`.
Also is there a way to compress ORC file ?
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 **Arun Kumar Pasuparthi**  May 21, 2017 at 7:16 PM
Thank you for the correction. I updated the blog accordingly. Given that ORC files come with excellent compression ration and by default are written as snappy files i did not think about a need to use something else. I will update the blog if i find something soon.

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**MPS** June 11, 2017 at 7:26 PM*This comment has been removed by the author.*[Reply](#)**MPS** June 11, 2017 at 7:27 PM

Thank you so much for this blog. It helped me a lot to clear the exam.

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**Arun Kumar Pasuparthi** June 25, 2017 at 8:43 AM

you are welcome. Congratulations!

[Reply](#)**Min Li** June 16, 2017 at 10:43 AM

Hi Arun, just wanted to say a big thank you. Really appreciate your great work. This blog helped me a lot.

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**Arun Kumar Pasuparthi** June 25, 2017 at 8:43 AM

you are welcome. Congratulations!

[Reply](#)**adarsh singh** June 25, 2017 at 12:58 PM`sqlContext.setConf("spark.sql.parquet.compression.codec","lzo")``ordersDF.write.format("parquet").mode("overwrite").save("/data/output/orders_parquet_lzo")`

=> failed with error Caused by: parquet.hadoop.BadConfigurationException: Class com.hadoop.compression.lzo.LzoCodec was not found

facing above issue . could you please help?

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**Arun Kumar Pasuparthi** June 25, 2017 at 1:47 PM

there is nothing wrong in the code you wrote. the problem is lzo libraries are not available in the CDH you are using. They will likely not be available in the environment you use during the exam as well OR the exam will only ask you to perform lzo compression only if the lzo libraries are configured and available. Hence, you will not face this issue during the exam.

If you are trying to solve this for your project or for your company and your focus is not about the exam then please follow the solution available here.

<https://stackoverflow.com/questions/23441142/class-com-hadoop-compression-lzo-lzocodec-not-found-for-spark-on-cdh-5>**adarsh singh** June 26, 2017 at 11:22 AM

Thanks Arun ... your expertise is helping me a lot to boost up my confidence...

[Reply](#)**kiran kumar Mudrati** August 6, 2017 at 4:56 AM

Hi Arun,

I want to appreciate and want to say big thank you for all videos and tutorials. please continue doing the same in future also and keep us motivated.

[Reply](#)**RAJU C** August 14, 2017 at 12:33 AM

Hi Arun,

Great work!! Much needed for guys like me to prepare for the Exam.

I have query?

Can We refer local documents(existing documents) during the exam? to cross check the syntax of the PIG/Hive commands.

Please let know

[Reply](#)**sathya** September 1, 2017 at 5:51 AM

I'm not sure where you're getting your information, but good topic. I need to spend some time learning more or understanding more. Thanks for fantastic info I was looking for this information for my mission.

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Thanks Arun for consolidating all the file formats. Just figured that parquet writing method works for orc and json as well. Just thought of sharing with others.

`var dataFile = sqlContext.read.avro("");``.write.format works for parquet,orc and json``dataFile.write.format("parquet").save("")``dataFile.write.format("orc").save("")``dataFile.write.format("json").save("")`

[Reply](#)**Unknown** September 15, 2017 at 11:43 AM*This comment has been removed by the author.*[Reply](#)**Shubham Aggarwal** September 21, 2017 at 1:39 AM

Hi Arun,

Thanks for providing such a wonderful compilation of problems and solutions. It enabled be to clear the CCA 175 certification yesterday. Many thanks.

Regards
Shubham

[Reply](#)**sathya** September 29, 2017 at 5:01 AM

This is a great post. I like this topic. This site has lots of advantage. I found many interesting things from this site. It helps me in many ways. Thanks for posting this again.

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Hi Arun, Your blog is definitely the stepping stone towards successful CCA175 certification. Why you are not actively updating the posts. I see that the last updated was may-2017. Can you add few more for us? It was really helpful.

[Reply](#)[Replies](#)**Arun Kumar Pasuparthi** December 12, 2017 at 10:21 AM

it was reported by many who follow my blog that the content was sufficient to clear the current version of CCA 175 exam. I will update the content if i receive any feedback on the coverage of the formulated problems in addressing CCA 175 exam needs.

[Reply](#)**Pavan Tammina** December 16, 2017 at 12:36 PM

Hi Arun,

Thanks for the good work, All problems are very well designed to cover all the important scenarios.

I need a clarification, Can the data in Data frame be saved as text file or sequence file. It works for json/parquet and Avro.

[Reply](#)**Rajesh K** December 22, 2017 at 4:14 PM

Hi Arun,

Thanks for the content. It's really helpful.

I am confused on dataframes. The videos from itersivity state that we shouldn't use data frames. Is it because the videos are older and at the time of recording there was Spark V1.2?

Now, I see Spark 1.6 is being provided on CCA175 page from Cloudera. So can we use DataFrames?

Regards
Rajesh K

[Reply](#)**Jeyassri Balachandran** December 29, 2017 at 11:54 PM

what about csv files? how to read and write them with compression? there is no API for csv in cloudera quickstart VM.

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SWAMI AYYAPPA January 1, 2018 at 11:13 PM

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Rajesh K January 8, 2018 at 5:44 AM

How to save a DataFrame (or) an RDD as a text file with the delimiter as "|" (pipe) or "\t" (tab). Is there any API to do it? or it needs to be done manually in a map transformation?

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Jatin January 9, 2018 at 2:54 AM

Hi I need to read json data which is on s3 in tar.gz format , can you help how to read it in spark using scala.

sqlContext.read.json is not working/reading .

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Jatin January 9, 2018 at 2:55 AM

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