



Writing Continuous Applications with PySpark

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I have used **Apache Spark 2.x** Before...



I know the difference between
DataFrame and **RDDs**...





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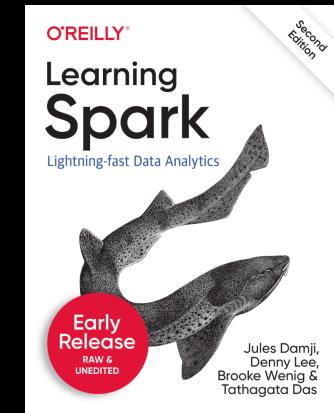
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VISION

Accelerate innovation by unifying data science,
engineering and business

SOLUTION

Unified Analytics Platform

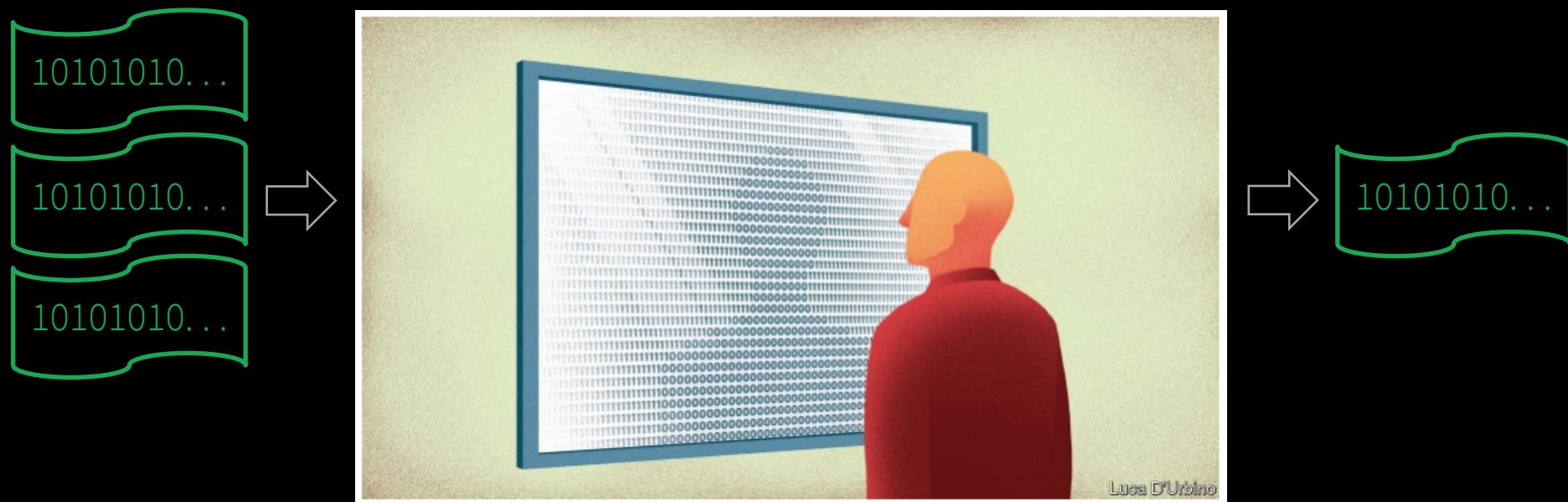
WHO WE ARE

- Original creators of   
- 2000+ global companies use our platform across big data & machine learning lifecycle

Agenda for Today's Talk

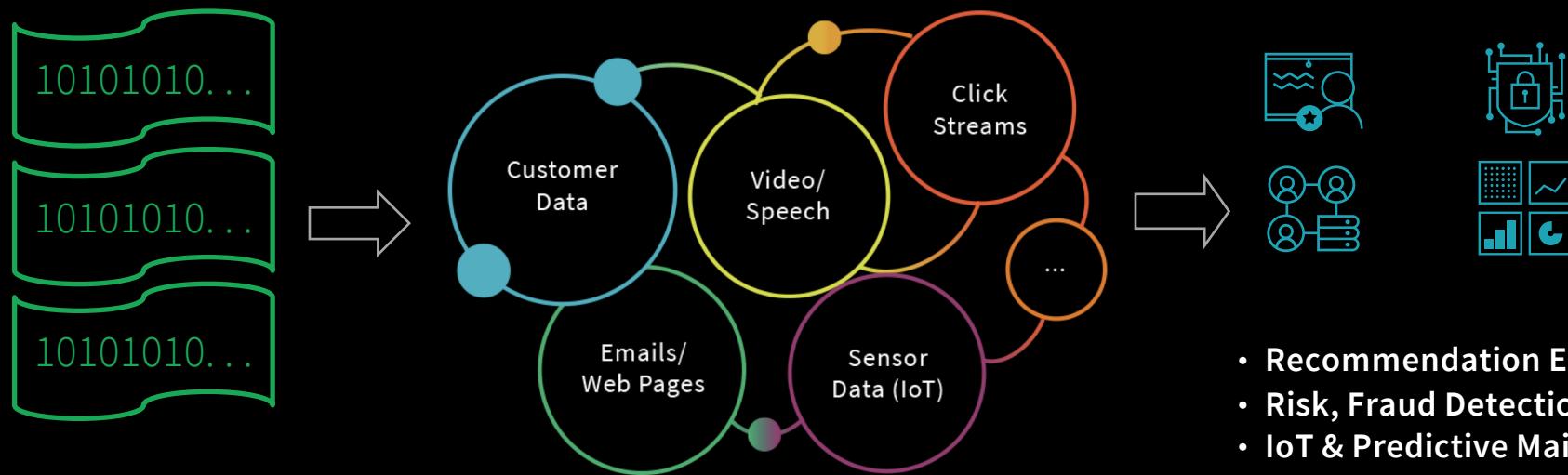
- What & Why Apache Spark
- Why Streaming Applications are Difficult
- What's Structured Streaming
 - Anatomy of a Continuous Application
 - Tutorials
- Q & A

How to think about data in 2019 - 2020



“Digital Data Zeitgeist”

How to think about data in 2019 - 2020



- Recommendation Engines
- Risk, Fraud Detection
- IoT & Predictive Maintenance

“Digital Data Zeitgeist”

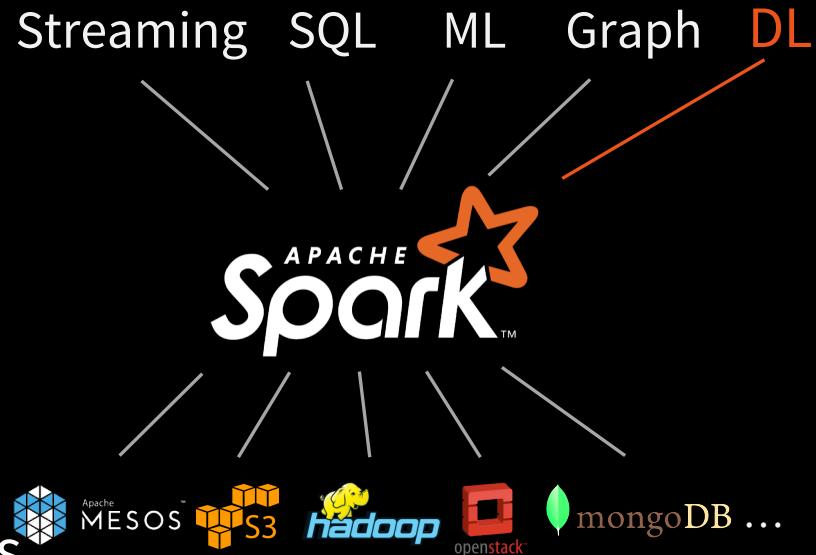


Why Apache Spark?



What is Apache Spark?

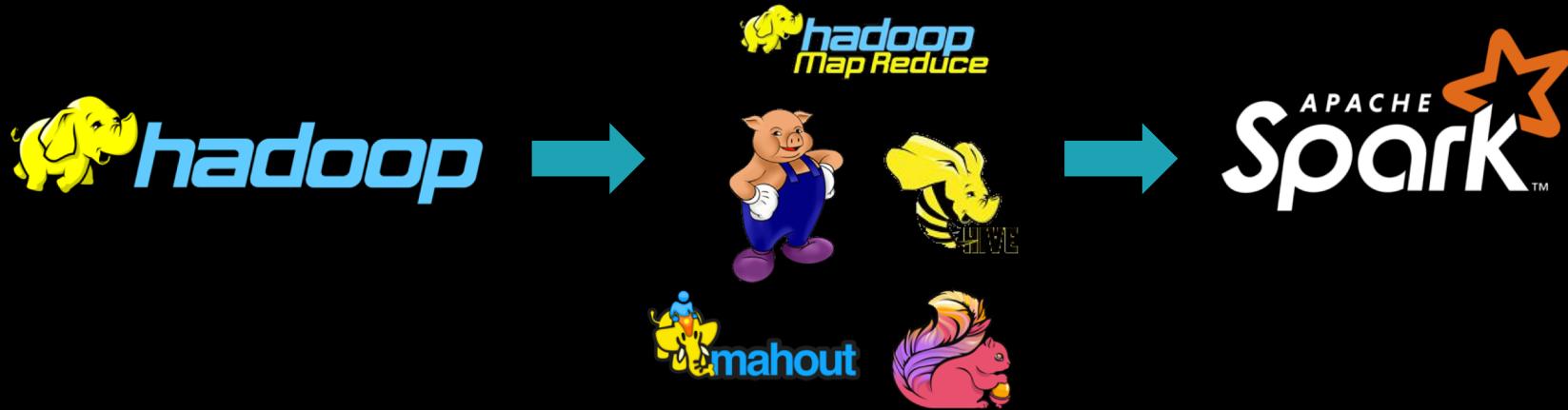
- General cluster computing engine that extends MapReduce
- Rich set of APIs and libraries
- Unified Engine
- Large community: 1000+ orgs, clusters up to 8000 nodes
- Supports Deep Learning Frameworks



Unique Thing about Spark

- **Unification:** same engine and same API for diverse use cases
 - Streaming, batch, or interactive
 - ETL, SQL, machine learning, or graph
 - Deep Learning Frameworks w/Horovod
 - TensorFlow
 - Keras
 - PyTorch

Faster, Easier to Use, Unified



First Distributed
Processing Engine

Specialized Data
Processing Engines

Unified Data
Processing Engine

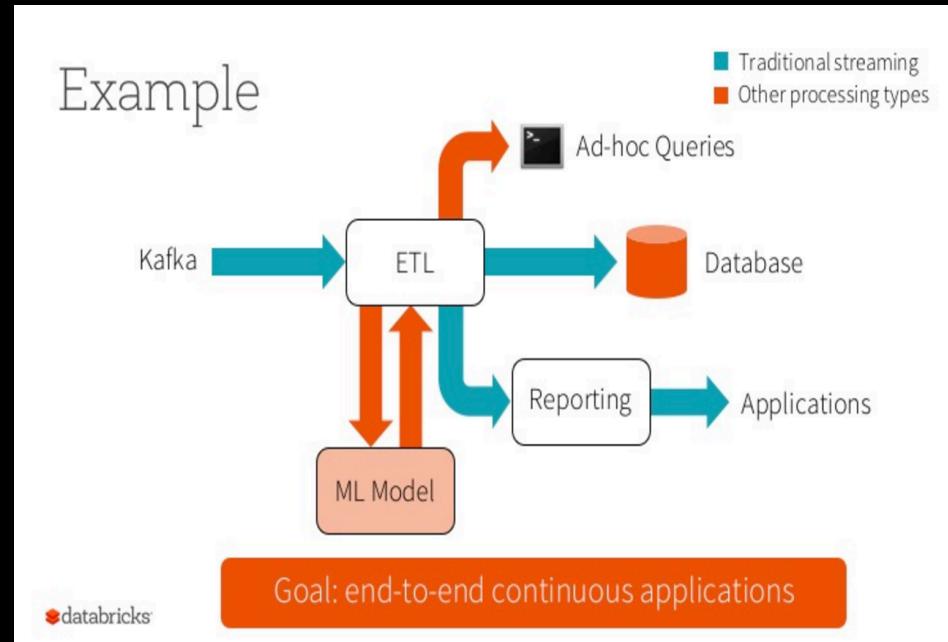
Benefits of Unification

1. Simpler to **use** and **operate**
2. **Code reuse**: e.g. only write monitoring, FT, etc once
3. **New apps** that span processing types: e.g. interactive queries on a stream, online machine learning



Why Streaming Applications are Inherently Difficult?

building robust stream processing apps is hard



Complexities in stream processing

COMPLEX DATA

Diverse data formats
(json, avro, txt, csv, parquet, orc,
binary, ...)

Data can be dirty,
And tardy (out-of-order)

COMPLEX WORKLOADS

Combining streaming with
interactive queries

Machine learning

COMPLEX SYSTEMS

Diverse storage systems
(Kafka, S3, Kinesis, RDBMS, ...)

System failures

Structured Streaming

stream processing on Spark SQL engine

fast, scalable, fault-tolerant

rich, unified, high level APIs

deal with *complex data* and *complex workloads*

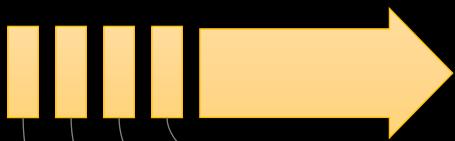
rich ecosystem of data sources

integrate with many *storage systems*

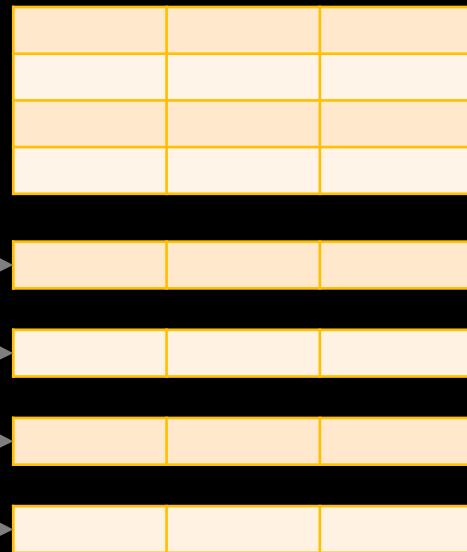
you
should not have to
reason about streaming

Treat Streams as Unbounded Tables

data stream



unbounded input table



new data in the
data stream

=

new rows appended
to a unbounded table

you
should write queries

&

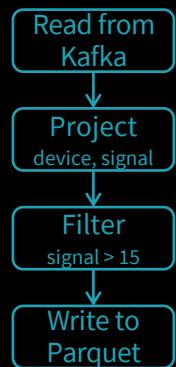
Apache Spark

should continuously update the answer

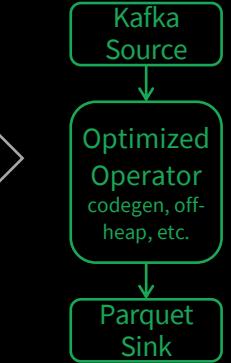
Apache Spark automatically *streamifies*!

```
input = spark.readStream  
  .format("kafka")  
  .option("subscribe", "topic")  
  .load()  
  
result = input  
  .select("device", "signal")  
  .where("signal > 15")  
  
result.writeStream  
  .format("parquet")  
  .start("dest-path")
```

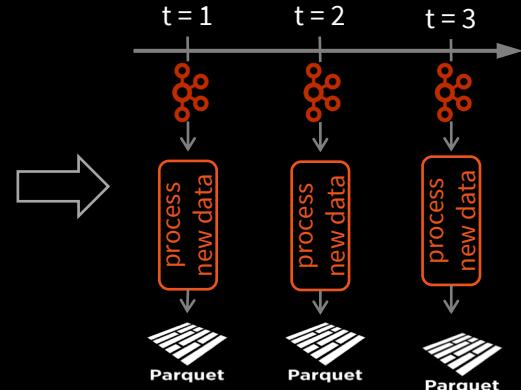
DataFrames,
Datasets, SQL



Logical
Plan



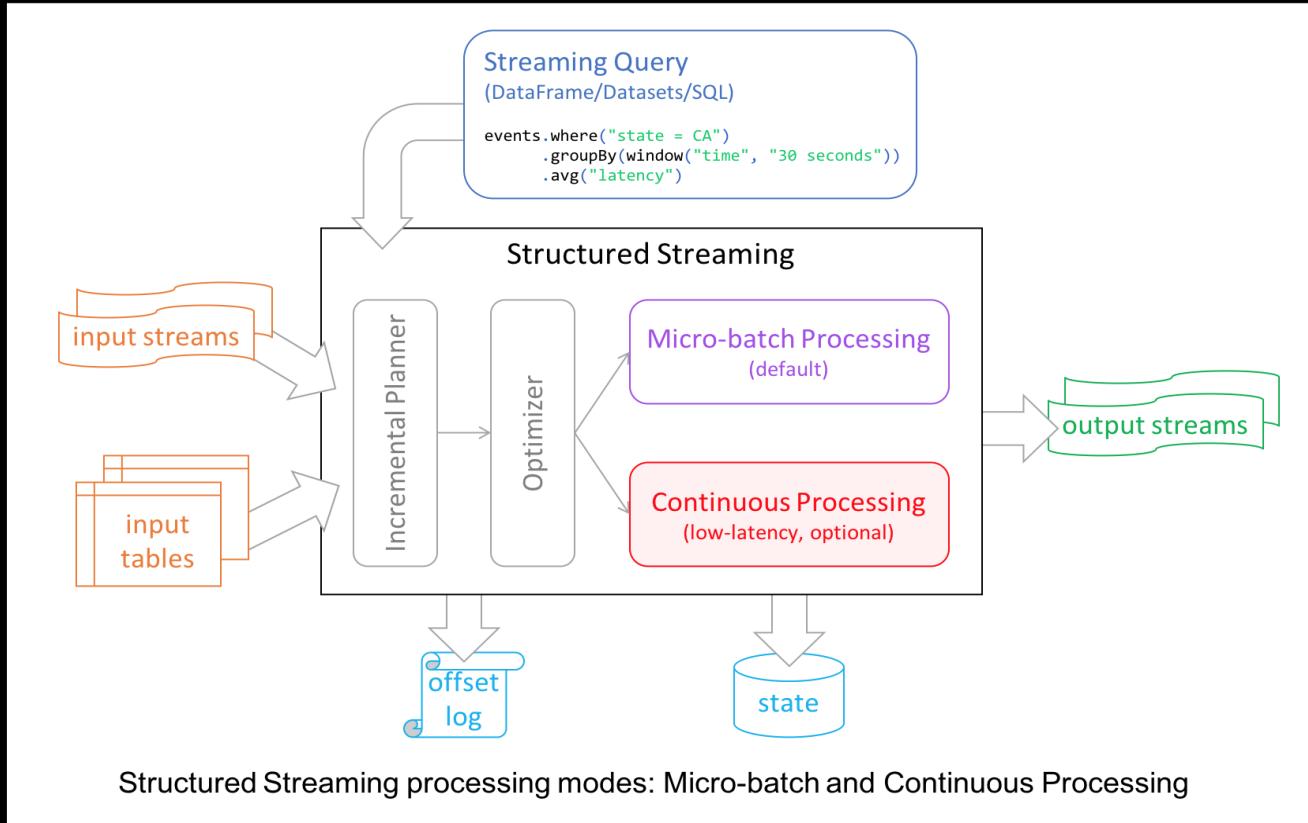
Optimized
Physical Plan



Series of Incremental
Execution Plans

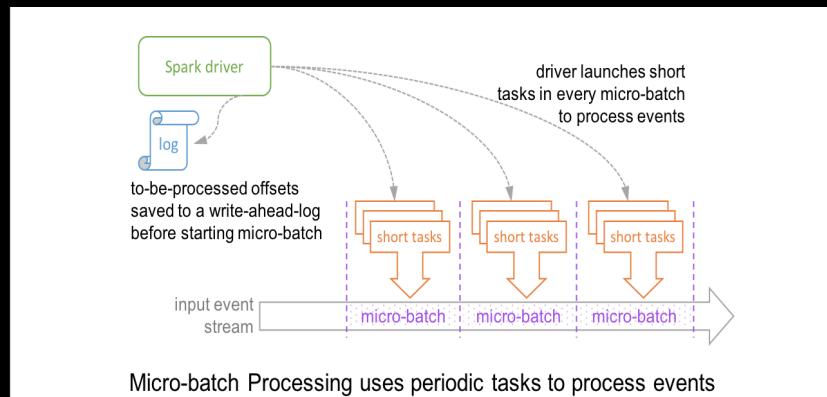
Spark SQL converts batch-like query to a series of incremental execution plans operating on new batches of data

Structured Streaming – Processing Modes

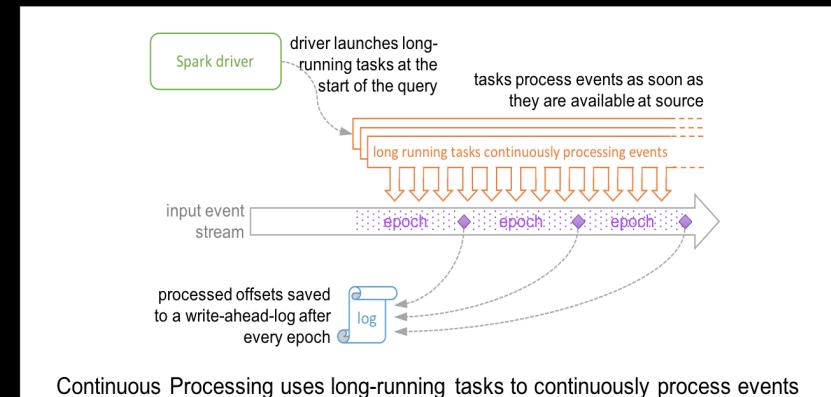


Structured Streaming Processing Modes

Batch Mode



Continuous Mode

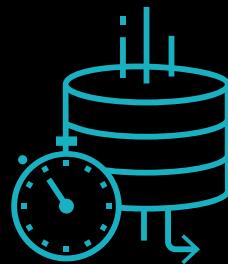




Anatomy of a Continuous Application

Anatomy of a Streaming Query

Streaming word count



Simple Streaming ETL

Anatomy of a Streaming Query: Step 1

```
spark.readStream  
  .format("kafka")  
  .option("subscribe", "input")  
  .load()
```

]

Source

- Specify one or more locations to read data from
- Built in support for Files/Kafka/Socket, pluggable.

Anatomy of a Streaming Query: Step 2

```
spark.readStream  
  .format("kafka")  
  .option("subscribe", "input")  
  .load()  
  .groupBy("value.cast("string") as key")  
  .agg(count("*") as "value")
```

Transformation

- Using DataFrames, Datasets and/or SQL.
- Internal processing always exactly-once.

}

Anatomy of a Streaming Query: Step 3

```
spark.readStream  
  .format("kafka")  
  .option("subscribe", "input")  
  .load()  
  .groupBy("value.cast("string") as key")  
  .agg(count("*") as "value")  
  .writeStream()  
  .format("kafka")  
  .option("topic", "output")  
  
  .outputMode(OutputMode.Complete())  
  .option("checkpointLocation", "...")  
  .start()
```

Sink

- Accepts the output of each batch.
- When supported sinks are transactional and exactly once (Files).

Anatomy of a Streaming Query: Output Modes

```
from pyspark.sql import Trigger  
  
spark.readStream  
.format("kafka")  
.option("subscribe", "input")  
.load()  
.groupBy("value.cast("string") as key")  
.agg(count("*") as 'value')  
.writeStream()  
.format("kafka")  
.option("topic", "output")  
.trigger("1 minute")  
.outputMode("update")  
.option("checkpointLocation", "...")  
.start()
```

Output mode – What's output

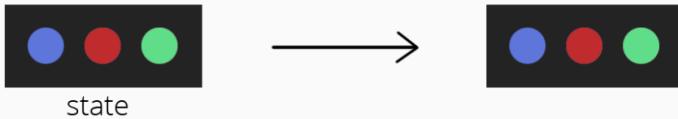
- Complete – Output the whole answer every time
- Update – Output changed rows
- Append – Output new rows only

Trigger – When to output

- Specified as a time, eventually supports data size
- No trigger means as fast as possible

Streaming Query: Output Modes

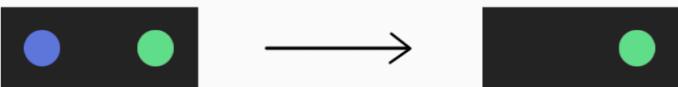
Complete Mode



Update Mode



Append Mode



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Anatomy of a Streaming Query: Checkpoint

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  .format("kafka")  
  .option("topic", "output")  
  .trigger("1 minute")  
  .outputMode("update")  
  .option("checkpointLocation", "...")  
  .withWatermark("timestamp" "2 minutes")  
  .start()
```

Checkpoint & Watermark

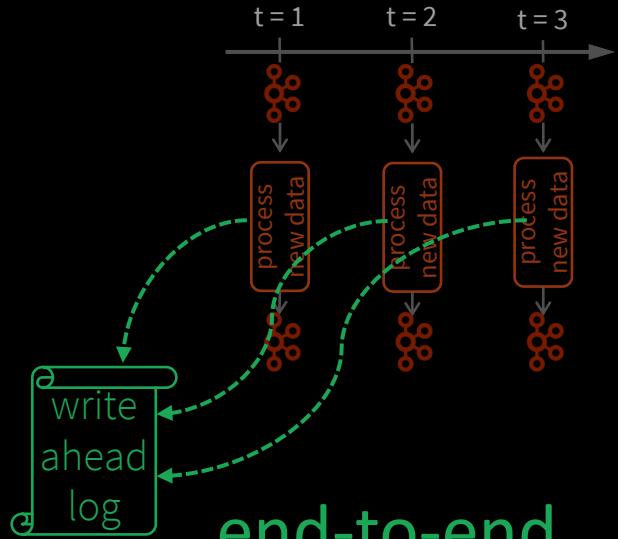
- Tracks the progress of a query in persistent storage
 - Can be used to restart the query if there is a failure.
 - *trigger(Trigger.Continuous("1 second"))*
- } Set checkpoint location & watermark to drop very late events

Fault-tolerance with Checkpointing

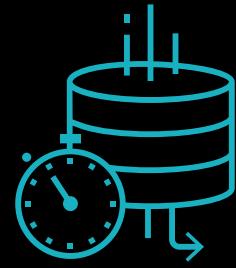
Checkpointing – tracks progress (offsets) of consuming data from the source and intermediate state.

Offsets and metadata saved as JSON

Can resume after changing your streaming transformations

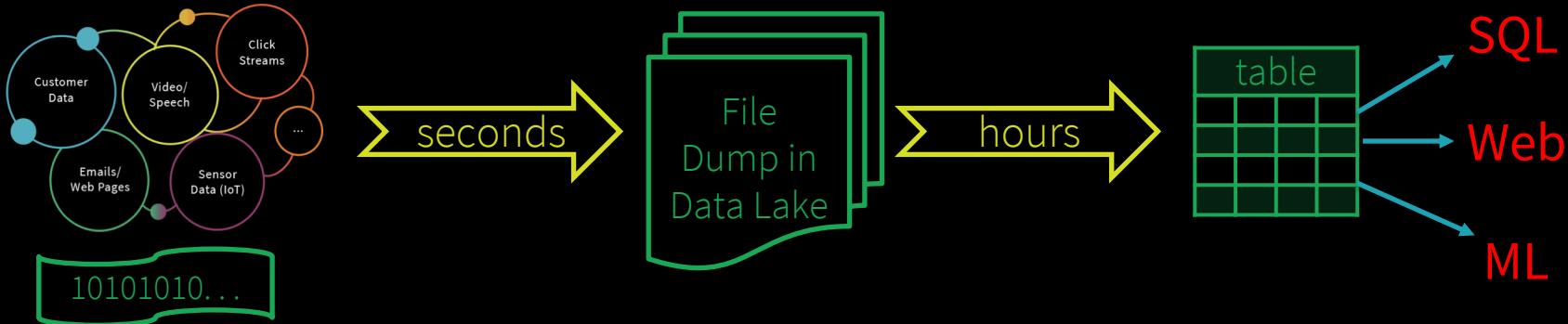


**end-to-end
exactly-once
guarantees**



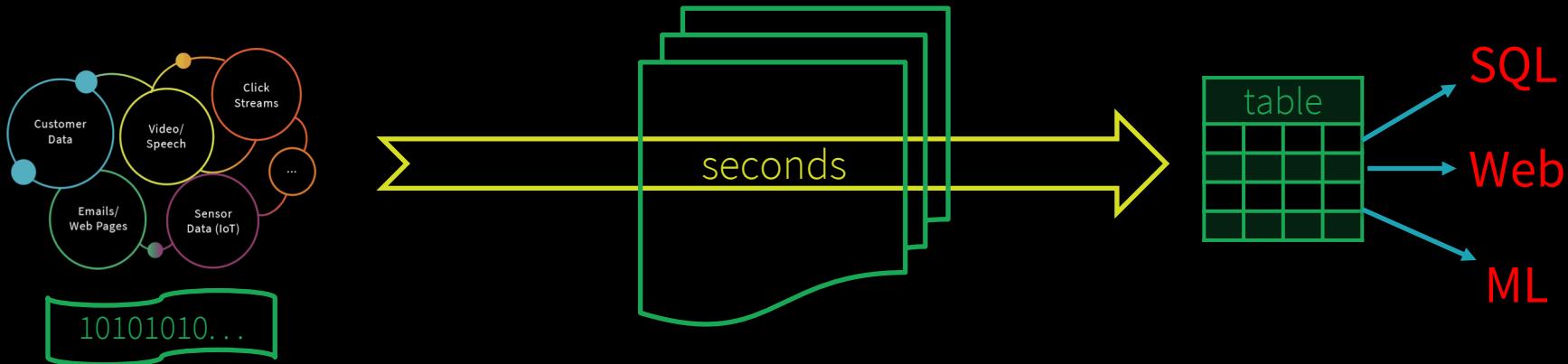
Complex Streaming ETL

Traditional ETL



- Raw, dirty, un/semi-structured is data dumped as files
- Periodic jobs run every few hours to convert raw data to structured data ready for further analytics
- **Problem:**
 - Hours of delay before taking decisions on latest data
 - Unacceptable when time is of essence
 - [intrusion, anomaly or fraud detection, monitoring IoT devices, etc.]

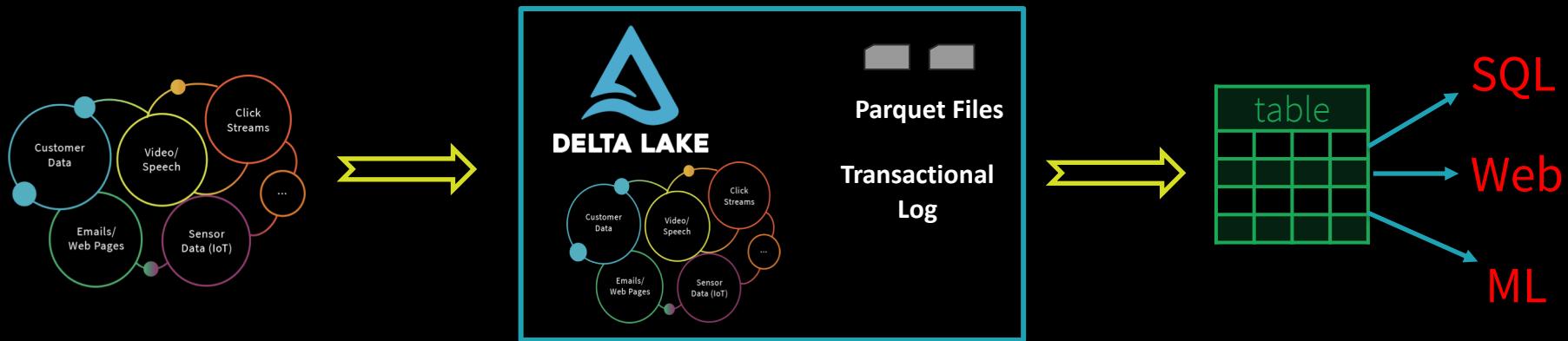
1. Streaming ETL w/ Structured Streaming



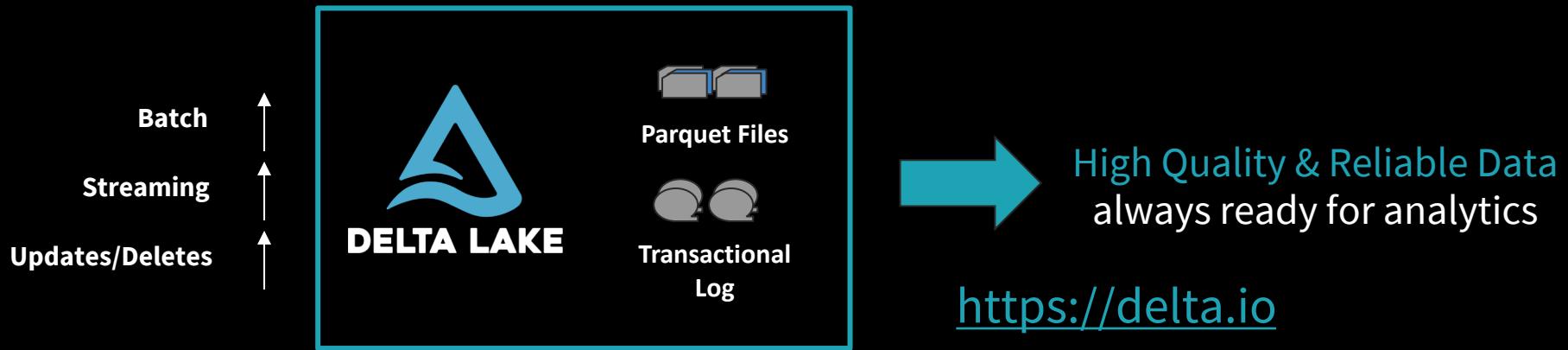
Structured Streaming Changes the Equation:

- eliminates latencies
- adds immediacy
- transforms data continuously

2. ETL w/ Structured Streaming & Delta Lake



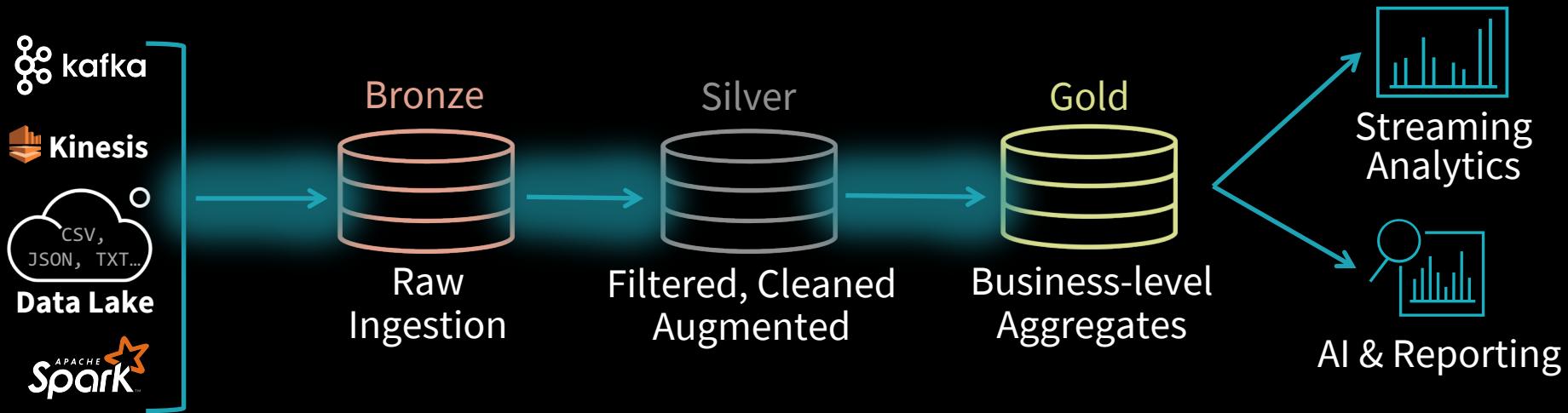
Delta Lake ensures data reliability



Key Features

- ACID Transactions
- Schema Enforcement
- Unified Batch & Streaming
- Time Travel/Data Snapshots

The DELTA LAKE



Streams move data through the Delta Lake

- Low-latency or manually triggered
- Eliminates management of schedules and jobs

Streaming ETL w/ Structured Streaming

Example

1. Json data being received in Kafka
2. Parse nested json and flatten it
3. Store in structured Parquet table
4. Get end-to-end failure guarantees

```
from pyspark.sql import Trigger

rawData = spark.readStream
    .format("kafka")
    .option("kafka.bootstrap.servers",...)
    .option("subscribe", "topic")
    .load()

parsedData = rawData
    .selectExpr("cast (value as string) as json")
    .select(from_json("json", schema).as("data"))
    .select("data.*") # do your ETL/Transformation

query = parsedData.writeStream
    .option("checkpointLocation", "/checkpoint")
    .partitionBy("date")
    .format("parquet") → .format("delta")
    .trigger(processingTime='5 seconds')
    .start("/parquetTable") → .start("/deltaTable")
```

Reading from Kafka

rawData dataframe has the following columns

```
raw_data_df = spark.readStream  
  .format("kafka")  
  .option("kafka.bootstrap.servers",...)  
  .option("subscribe", "topic")  
  .load()
```

key	value	topic	partition	offset	timestamp
[binary]	[binary]	"topicA"	0	345	1486087873
[binary]	[binary]	"topicB"	3	2890	1486086721

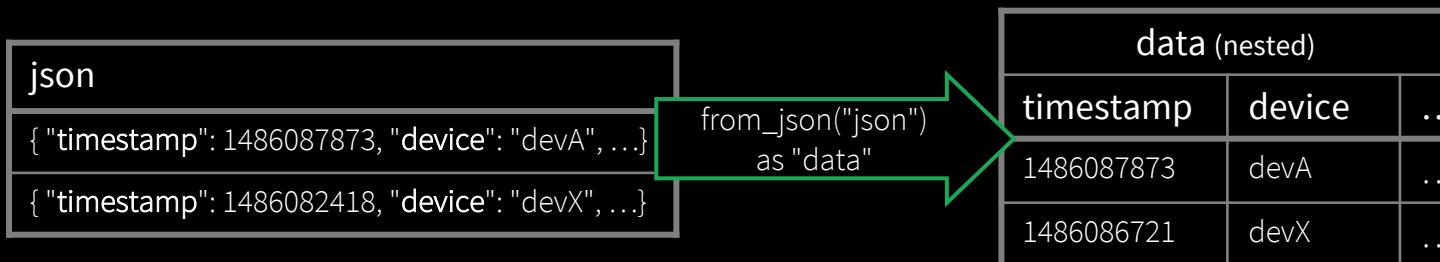
Transforming Data

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Flatten the nested columns

powerful built-in Python
APIs to perform complex
data transformations

from_json, to_json, explode, ...
100s of functions

(see [our blog post](#) & [tutorial](#))

Writing to Parquet



Save parsed data as Parquet table or Delta Lake table in the given path

Partition files by date so that future queries on time slices of data is fast

e.g. query on last 48 hours of data

```
queryP = parsedData.writeStream  
    .option("checkpointLocation", ...)  
    .partitionBy("date")  
    .format("parquet")  
    .start("/parquetTable") #pathname
```

```
queryD = parsedData.writeStream  
    .option("checkpointLocation", ...)  
    .partitionBy("date")  
    .format("delta")  
    .start("/deltaTable") #pathname
```

Tutorials



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Create Cluster

New Cluster

Cancel Create Cluster

0 Workers: 0.0 GB Memory, 0 Cores, 0 DBU
1 Driver: 6.0 GB Memory, 0.88 Cores, 1 DBU

Cluster Name: my_pyspark_tutorial

Databricks Runtime Version: Runtime: 5.2 (Scala 2.11, Spark 2.4.0)

Python Version: 3

Instance: Free 6GB Memory: As a Community Edition user, your cluster will automatically terminate after an idle period of two hours.
For [more configuration options](#), please [upgrade your Databricks subscription](#).

Instances Spark

Availability Zone: us-west-2c

Enter your cluster name

Use DBR 5.4 and Apache Spark 2.4.3 Scala 2.11

The default Python version for clusters was changed from major version 2 to 3.

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Summary

- Apache Spark best suited for unified analytics & processing at scale
- Structured Streaming APIs Enables Continuous Applications
 - Populate in Parquet tables or Delta Lake
- Demonstrated Continuous Application

Resources

- [Getting Started Guide with Apache Spark on Databricks](#)
- [docs.databricks.com](#)
- [Spark Programming Guide](#)
- [Structured Streaming Programming Guide](#)
- [Anthology of Technical Assets for Structured Streaming](#)
- [Databricks Engineering Blogs](#)
- <https://databricks.com/training/instructor-led-training>
- <https://delta.io>



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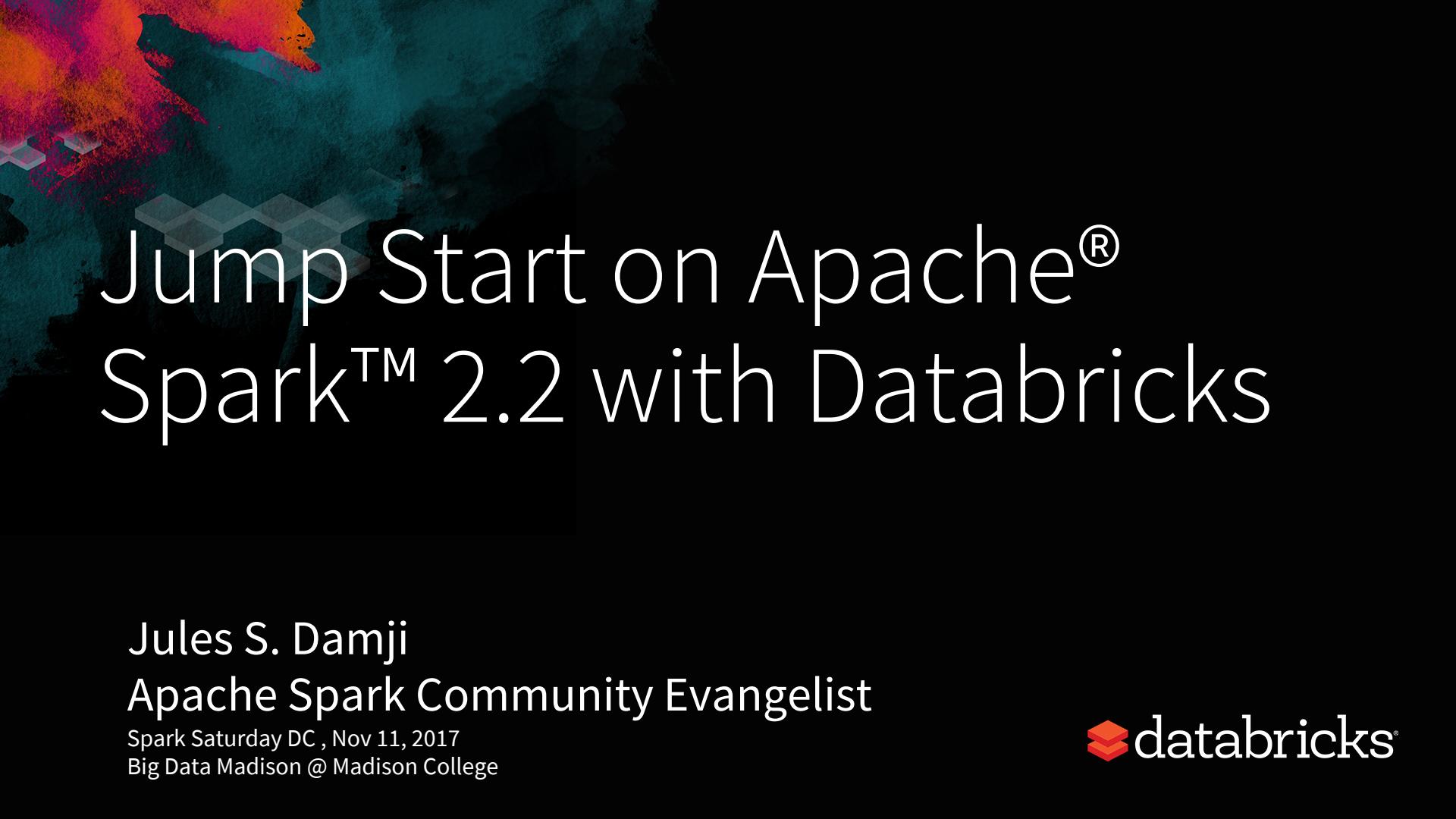
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Appendix



Jump Start on Apache® Spark™ 2.2 with Databricks

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I know the difference between
DataFrame and **RDDs**...



Why Apache Spark?

Big Data Systems of Yesterday...

MapReduce/Hadoop

General batch
processing



Pregel Giraph

Dremel Mahout

Storm Impala

Drill ...

Specialized systems
for new workloads

Hard to *combine* in pipelines

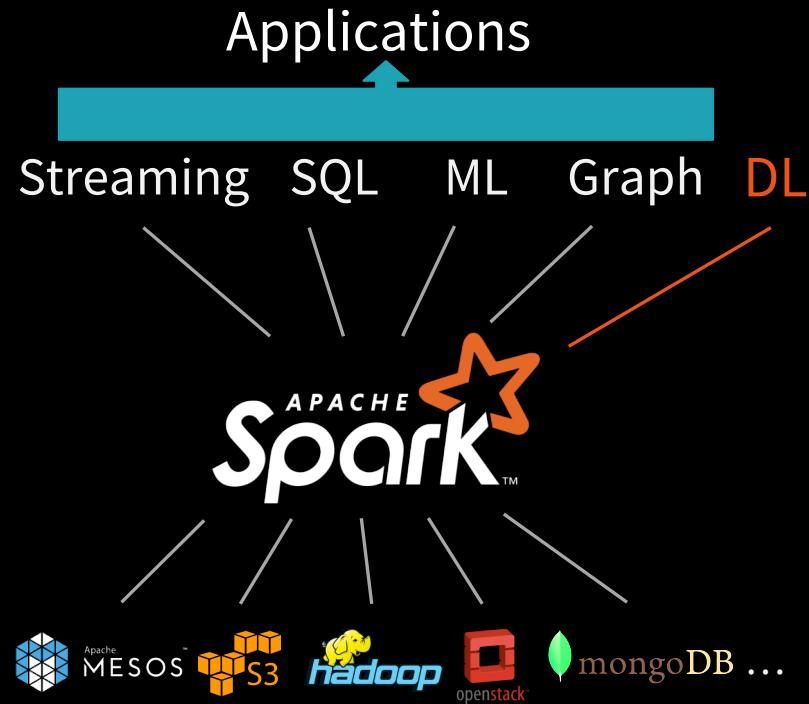
Big Data Systems Today



Apache Spark Philosophy

Unified engine for complete data applications

High-level user-friendly APIs



An Analogy

New applications



Unified engine across diverse workloads & environments

CONTRIBUTED ARTICLES

Apache Spark: A Unified Engine for Big Data Processing

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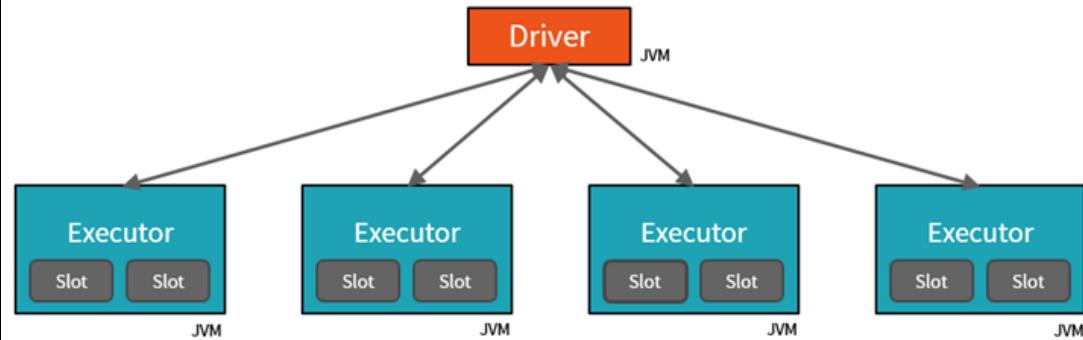




Apache Spark Architecture

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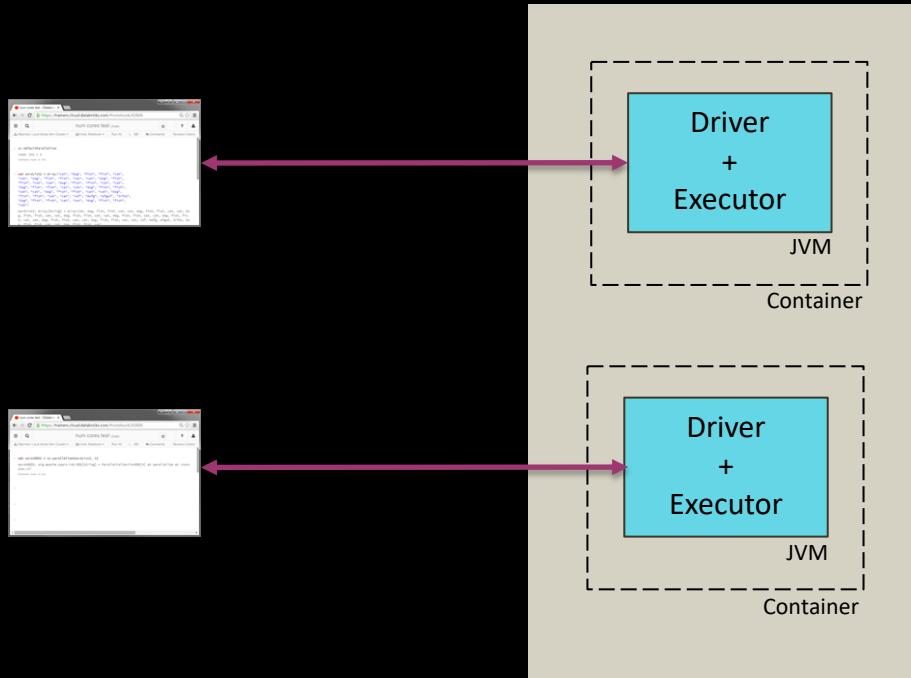
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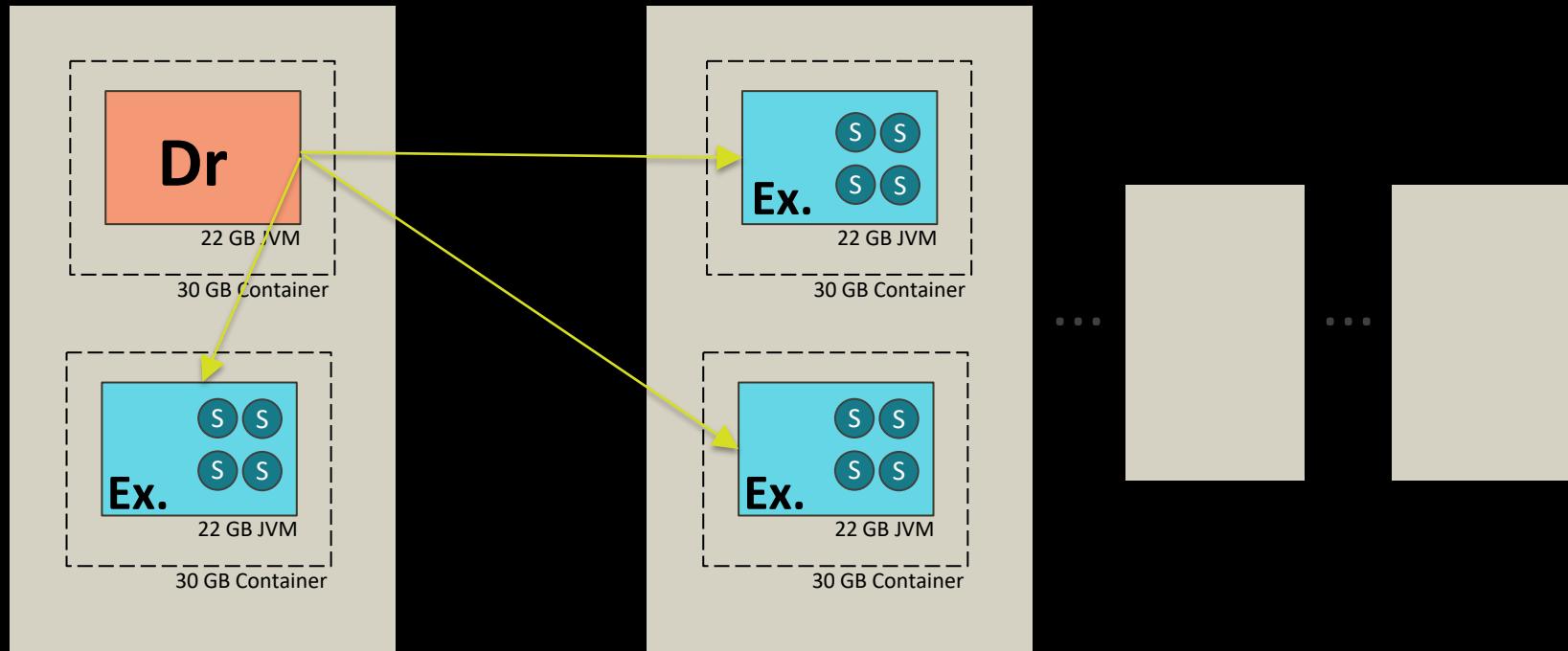
Deployments Modes

- Local
- Standalone
- YARN
- Mesos

Local Mode in Databricks



Standalone Mode



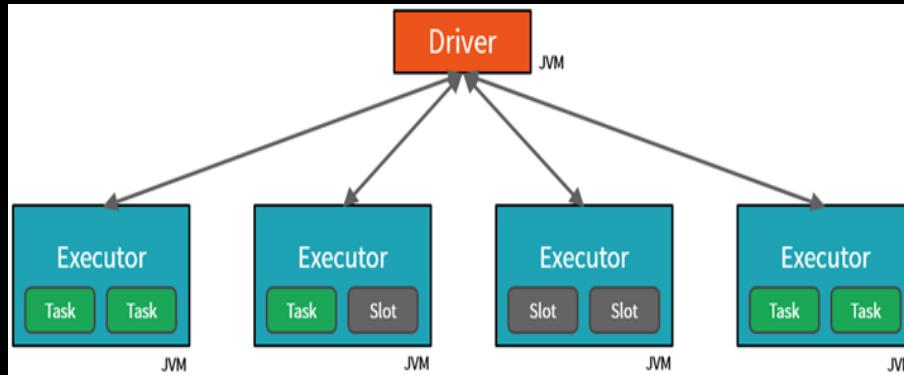
Spark Deployment Modes

MODE	DRIVER	WORKER	EXECUTOR	MASTER
Local	Runs on a single JVM	Runs on the same JVM as the driver	Runs on the same JVM as the driver	Runs on a single host
Standalone	Can run on any node in the cluster	Runs on its own JVM on each node	Each worker in the cluster will launch its own JVM	Can be allocated arbitrarily where the master is started
Yarn (client)	On a client, not part of the cluster	YARN NodeManager	YARN's NodeManager's Container	YARN's Resource Manager works with YARN's Application Master to allocate the containers on NodeManagers for Executors.
YARN (cluster)	Runs within the YARN's Application Master	Same as YARN client mode	Same as YARN client mode	Same as YARN client mode
Mesos (client)	Runs on a client machine, not part of Mesos cluster	Runs on Mesos Slave	Container within Mesos Slave	Mesos' master
Mesos (cluster)	Runs within one of Mesos' master	Same as client mode	Same as client mode	Mesos' master

Table 1. Cheat Sheet Depicting Deployment Modes And Where Each Spark Component Runs

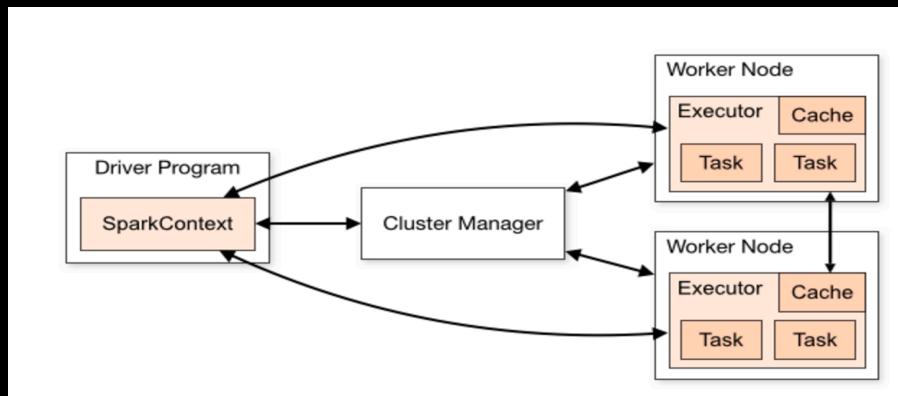
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An Anatomy of an Application

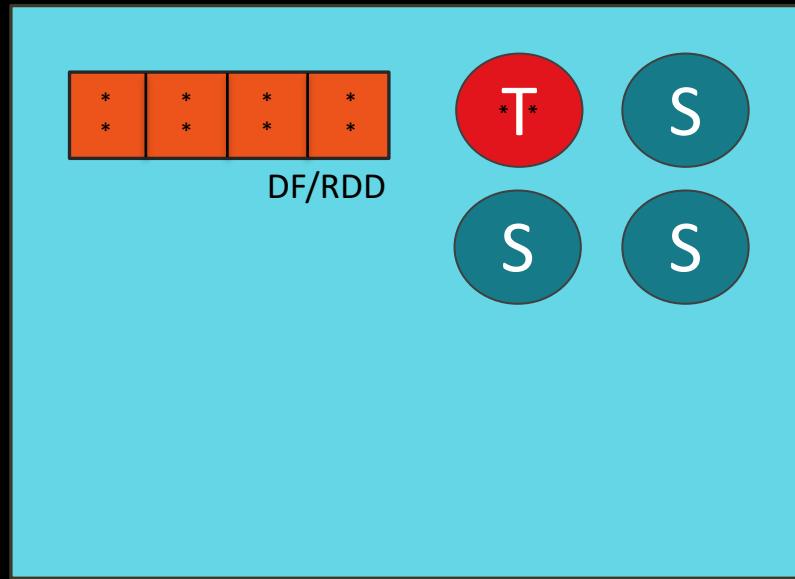


Spark Application

- Jobs
- Stages
- Tasks



A Spark Executor



Resilient Distributed Dataset (RDD)

What are RDDs?

1. Distributed Data Abstraction

Logical Model Across Distributed Storage



2. Resilient & Immutable



RDD → T → RDD → RDD

T = Transformation

3. Compile-time Type-safe

Integer RDD

String or Text RDD

Double or Binary RDD

4. Unstructured/Structured Data: Text (logs, tweets, articles, social)



```
jkreps-mn:~ jkreps$ tail -n 20 /var/log/apache2/access_log
::1 - - [23/Mar/2014:15:07:00 -0700] "GET /images/apache_feather.gif HTTP/1.1" 200 4128
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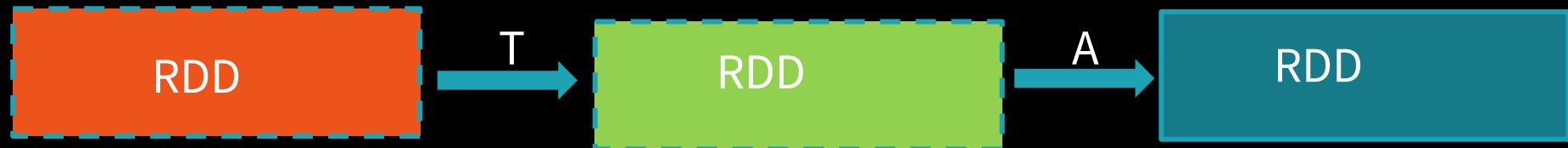
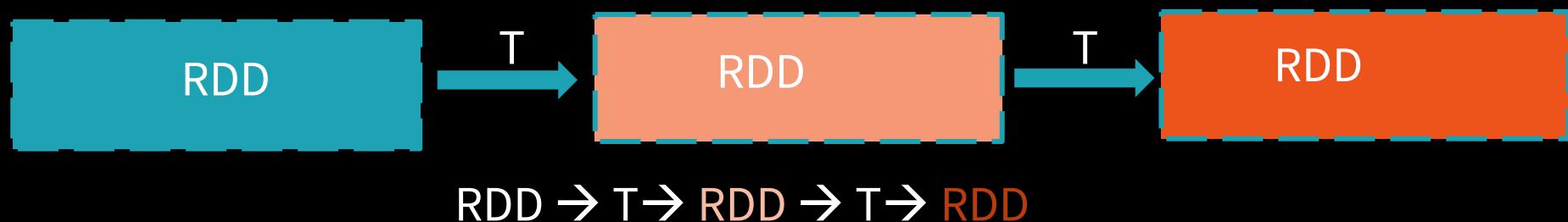
Structured Tabular data..

> %sql select ipaddress, datetime, method, endpoint, protocol, responsecode, agent from accesslog limit 10;

▶ (1) Spark Jobs

ipaddress	datetime	method	endpoint	protocol	responsecode	agent
10.223.144.123	04/Nov/2015:08:15:00 +0000	GET	/company/contact	HTTP/1.1	200	Mozilla/5.0 (Macintosh; Intel Mac OS X 10_11_ AppleWebKit/537.36 (KHTML, like Gecko) Chrome/46.0.2490.80 Safari/537.36
10.223.144.123	04/Nov/2015:08:15:37 +0000	GET	/blog	HTTP/1.1	200	Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 6.3; WOW64; rv:35.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/35.0
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5. Lazy



T = Transformation

A = Action

APACHE
SparkTM Operations =

+



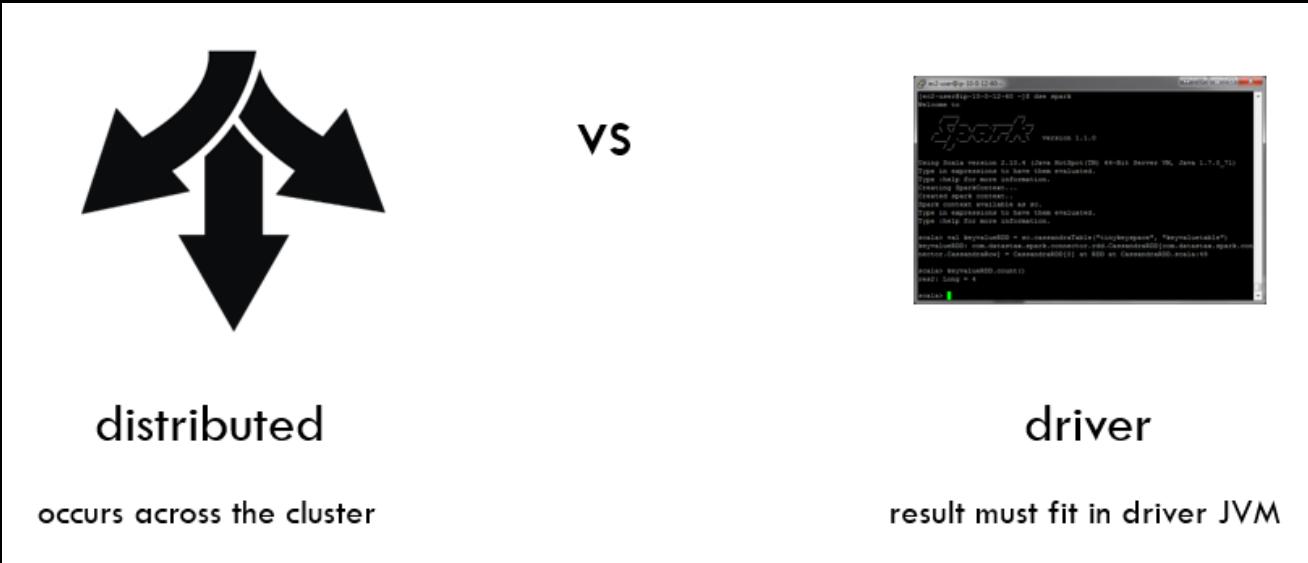
ACTIONS



TRANSFORMATIONS

Transformations (<i>lazy</i>)	Actions
orderBy	show
filter	count
groupBy	take
select	collect
drop	save
join	

Transformations contribute to a query plan,
but nothing is executed until an action is called





= easy



= medium

Essential Core & Intermediate Spark Operations



ACTIONS



- reduce
- collect
- aggregate
- fold
- first
- take
- foreach
- top
- treeAggregate
- treeReduce
- foreachPartition
- collectAsMap

- count
- takeSample
- max
- min
- sum
- histogram
- mean
- variance
- stdev
- sampleVariance
- countApprox
- countApproxDistinct

- takeOrdered

- saveAsTextFile
- saveAsSequenceFile
- saveAsObjectFile
- saveAsHadoopDataset
- saveAsHadoopFile
- saveAsNewAPIHadoopDataset
- saveAsNewAPIHadoopFile

TRANSFORMATIONS

General

- map
- filter
- flatMap
- mapPartitions
- mapPartitionsWithIndex
- groupBy
- sortBy

Math / Statistical

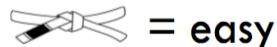
- sample
- randomSplit

Set Theory / Relational

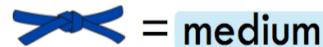
- union
- intersection
- subtract
- distinct
- cartesian
- zip

Data Structure / I/O

- keyBy
- zipWithIndex
- zipWithUniqueID
- zipPartitions
- coalesce
- repartition
- repartitionAndSortWithinPartitions
- pipe



= easy



= medium

Essential Core & Intermediate Spark Operations



TRANSFORMATIONS

General

- flatMapValues
- groupByKey
- reduceByKey
- reduceByKeyLocally
- foldByKey
- aggregateByKey
- sortByKey
- combineByKey
- keys
- values

Math / Statistical

- sampleByKey

Set Theory / Relational

- cogroup (=groupWith)
- join
- subtractByKey
- fullOuterJoin
- leftOuterJoin
- rightOuterJoin

Data Structure / I/O

- partitionBy

ACTIONS



- countByKey
- countByValue
- countByValueApprox
- countApproxDistinctByKey
- countApproxDistinctByKey
- countByKeyApprox
- sampleByKeyExact

Types of RDDs:

HadoopRDD: core functionality for reading data in HDFS using older MR API

MapPartitionsRDD: a result of calling actions like `map`, `flatMap`, `filter`, `mapPartitions`, etc

PairRDD: holds key/value pairs, a result of `groupByKey` and `join` operations

PipedRDD: result of piping elements to a forked external process

ShuffledRDD: a result after shuffling (`repartition` or `coalesce`)

7 Steps to Mastering Apache Spark 2.0



Looking for a comprehensive guide on going from zero to Apache Spark hero in steps? Look no further! Written by our friends at Databricks, this exclusive guide provides a solid foundation for those looking to master Apache Spark 2.0.

By Jules S. Damji & Sameer Farooqui, **Databricks**.

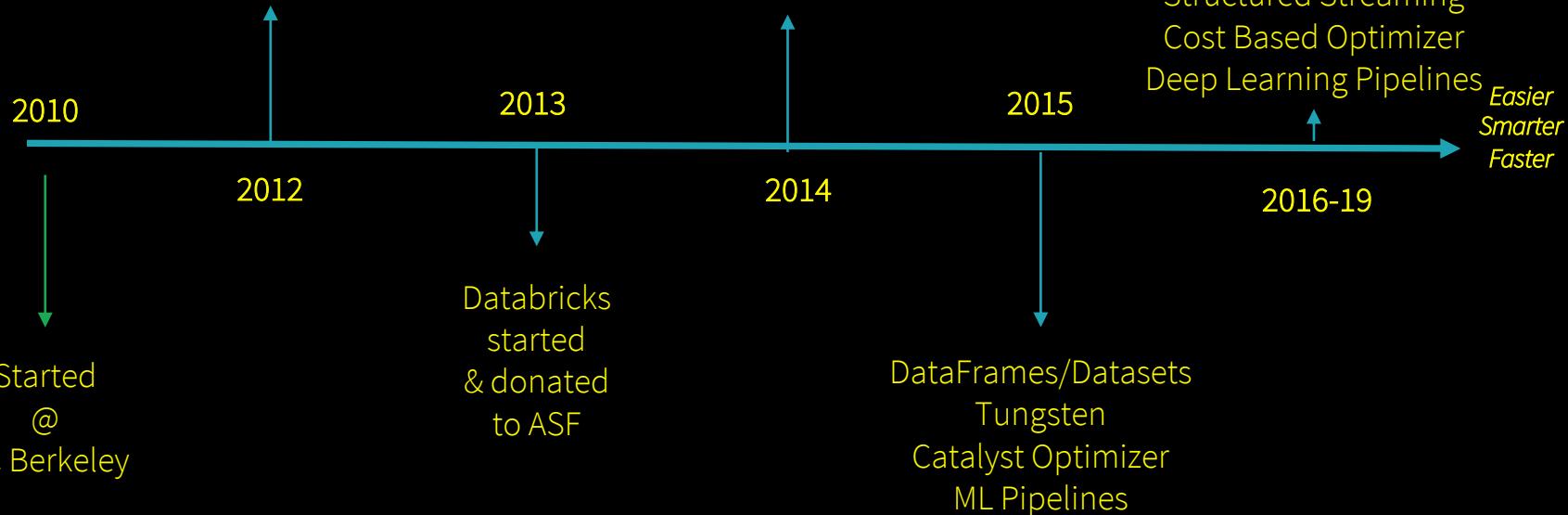
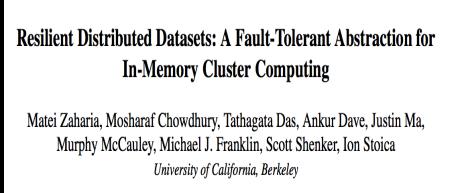
Not a week goes by without a mention of Apache Spark in a blog, news article, or webinar on Spark's impact in the big data landscape. Not a meetup or conference on big data or advanced analytics is without a speaker that expounds on aspects of Spark—touting of its rapid adoption; speaking of its developments; explaining its uses cases, in enterprises across industries.





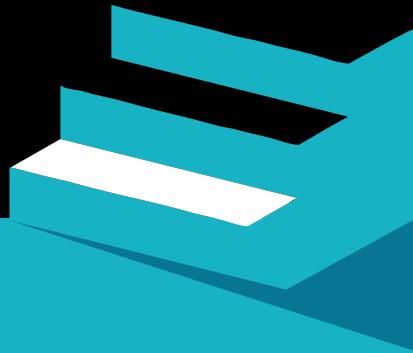
How did we get here....?
Where we going...?

A Brief History



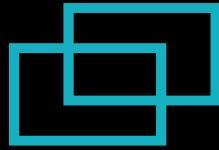
Apache Spark 2.X

- Steps to Bigger & Better Things....



Builds on all we learned in past 2 years

Major Themes in Apache Spark 2.x



Unifying Datasets
and DataFrames &
SparkSessions

Easier



Tungsten Phase 2
speedups of 5-10x
& Catalyst Optimizer

Faster



Structured Streaming
real-time engine
on SQL / DataFrames

Smarter



Unified API Foundation for the Future: SparkSessions, DataFrame, Dataset, MLlib, Structured Streaming



SparkSession – A Unified entry point to Spark

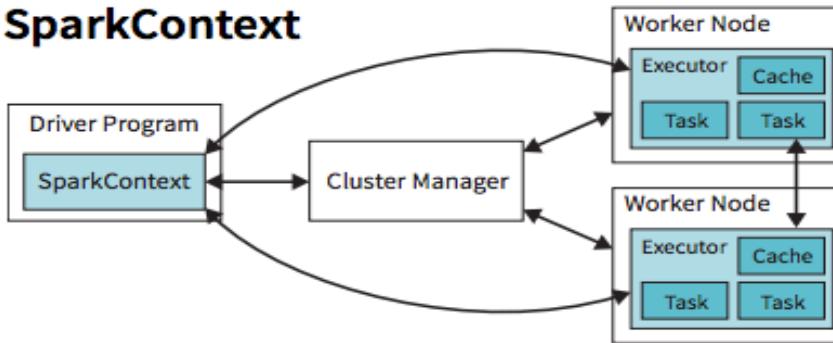


- Conduit to Spark

- Creates Datasets/DataFrames
- Reads/writes data
- Works with metadata
- Sets/gets Spark Configuration
- Driver uses for Cluster resource management

SparkSession vs SparkContext

SparkSession vs. SparkContext



SparkSessions Subsumes

- `SparkContext`
- `SQLContext`
- `HiveContext`
- `StreamingContext`
- `SparkConf`

```
val warehouseLocation = "file:${system:user.dir}/spark-warehouse"
```

```
val spark = SparkSession  
.builder()  
.appName("SparkSessionZipsExample")  
.config("spark.sql.warehouse.dir", warehouseLocation)  
.enableHiveSupport()  
.getOrCreate()
```

SparkSession – A Unified entry point to Spark

How to use SparkSession in Apache Spark 2.0

A unified entry point for manipulating data with Spark



by Jules Damji
Posted in [ENGINEERING BLOG](#) | August 15, 2016



[Try this notebook in Databricks](#)

DataFrame & Dataset Structure

Time (Str)			Site (Str)			Req (Int)			Time (Str)			Site (Str)			Req (Int)			Time (Str)			Site (Str)			Req (Int)		
ts	m	1304	ts	d	3901	ts	m	1172	ts	m	2538	ts	m	2137	ts	d	2837	ts	d	3176	ts	d	3400			
ts	d	2237	ts	d	2491	ts	m	3176	ts	d	3400	ts	d	2288	ts	m	1600	ts	m	2237	ts	d	1304			
ts	m	1600	ts	d	2288	ts	m	2237	ts	d	1304	ts	d	2491	ts	m	3901	ts	m	2538	ts	d	2137			
ts	m	2237	ts	d	1304	ts	m	2491	ts	d	3901	ts	d	1600	ts	m	2288	ts	m	2137	ts	d	3400			

Partition 1

Partition 2

Partition 3

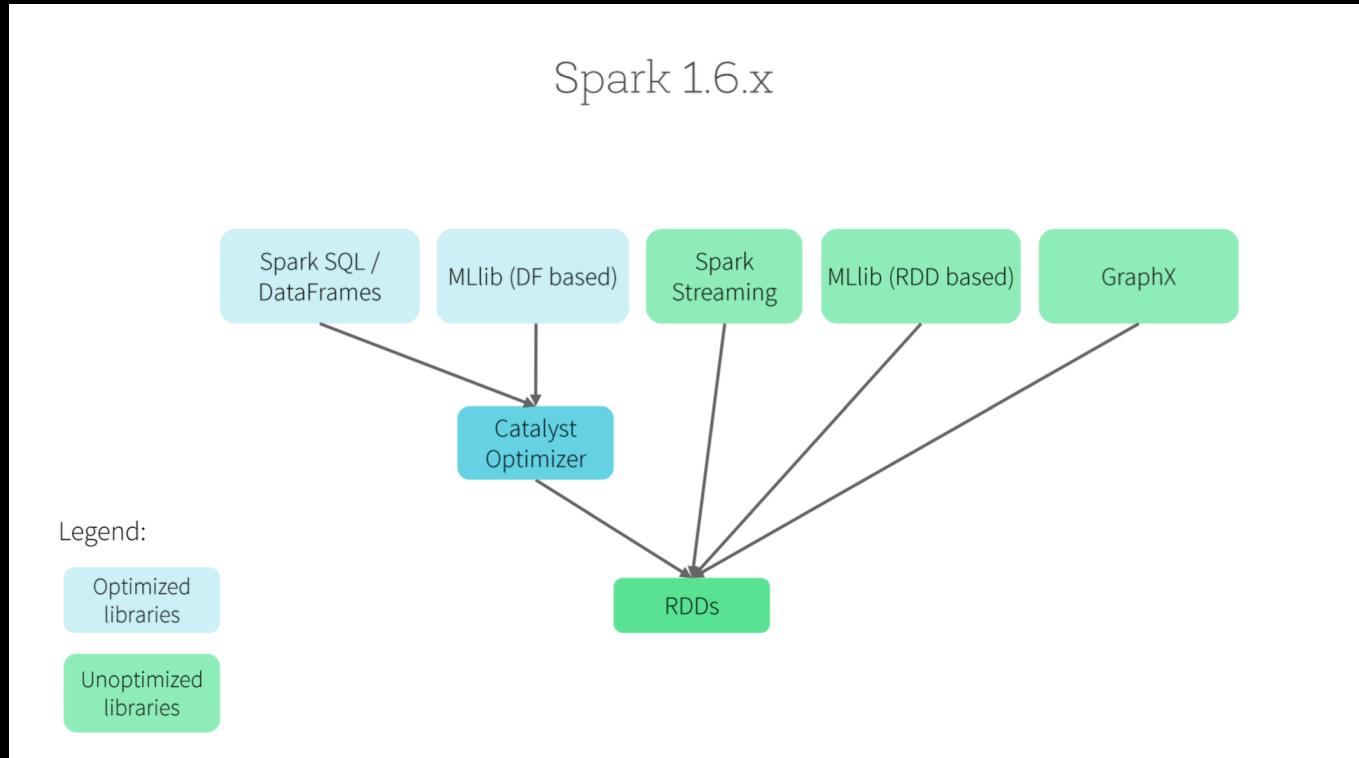
Partition 4

`df.rdd.partitions.size = 4`

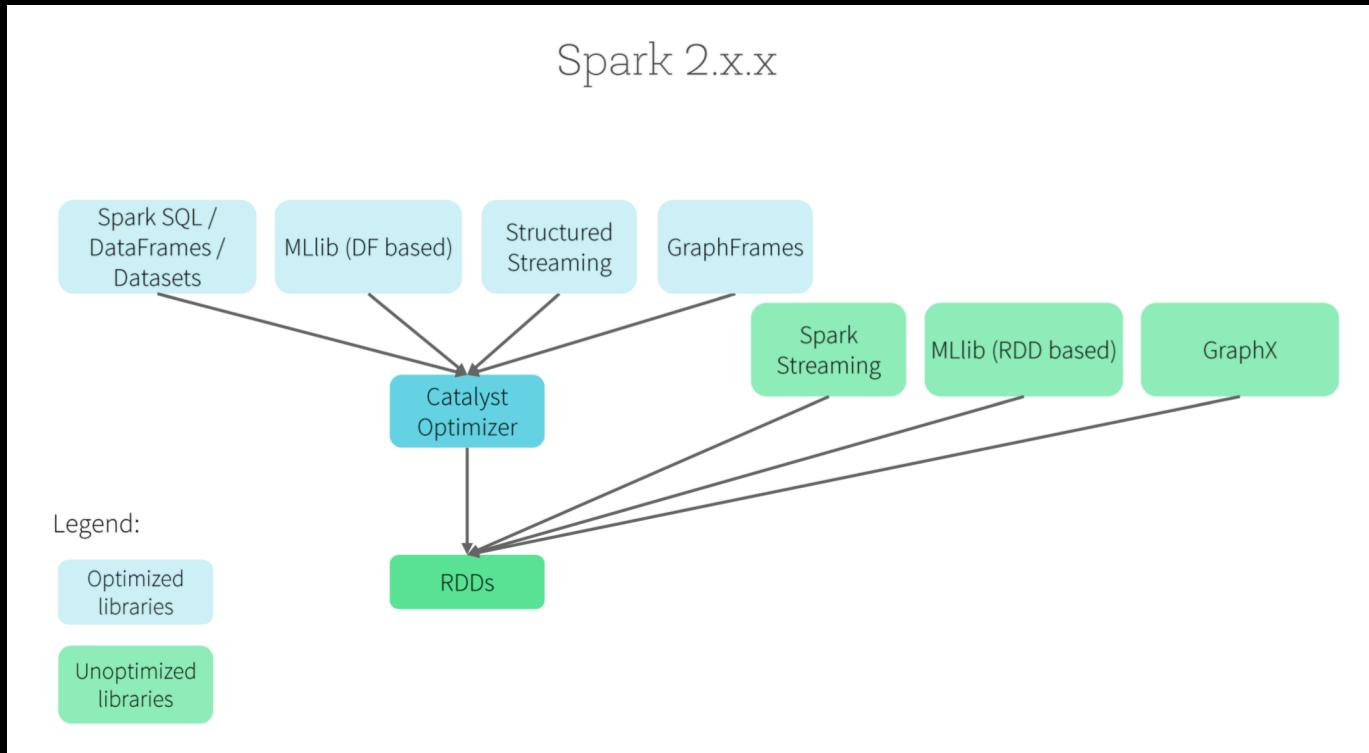
Long Term

- RDD as the low-level API in Spark
 - For control and certain type-safety in Java/Scala
- Datasets & DataFrames give richer semantics & optimizations
 - For semi-structured data and DSL like operations
 - New libraries will increasingly use these as interchange format
 - Examples: Structured Streaming, MLlib, GraphFrames, and Deep Learning Pipelines

Spark 1.6 vs Spark 2.x



Spark 1.6 vs Spark 2.x



Other notable API improvements

- DataFrame-based ML pipeline API becoming the main MLlib API
- ML model & pipeline persistence with almost complete coverage
 - In all programming languages: Scala, Java, Python, R
- Improved R support
 - (Parallelizable) User-defined functions in R
 - Generalized Linear Models (GLMs), Naïve Bayes, Survival Regression, K-Means
- Structured Streaming Features & Production Readiness
- <https://databricks.com/blog/2017/07/11/introducing-apache-spark-2-2.html>



DataFrames/Dataset, Spark SQL & Catalyst Optimizer

The not so secret truth...



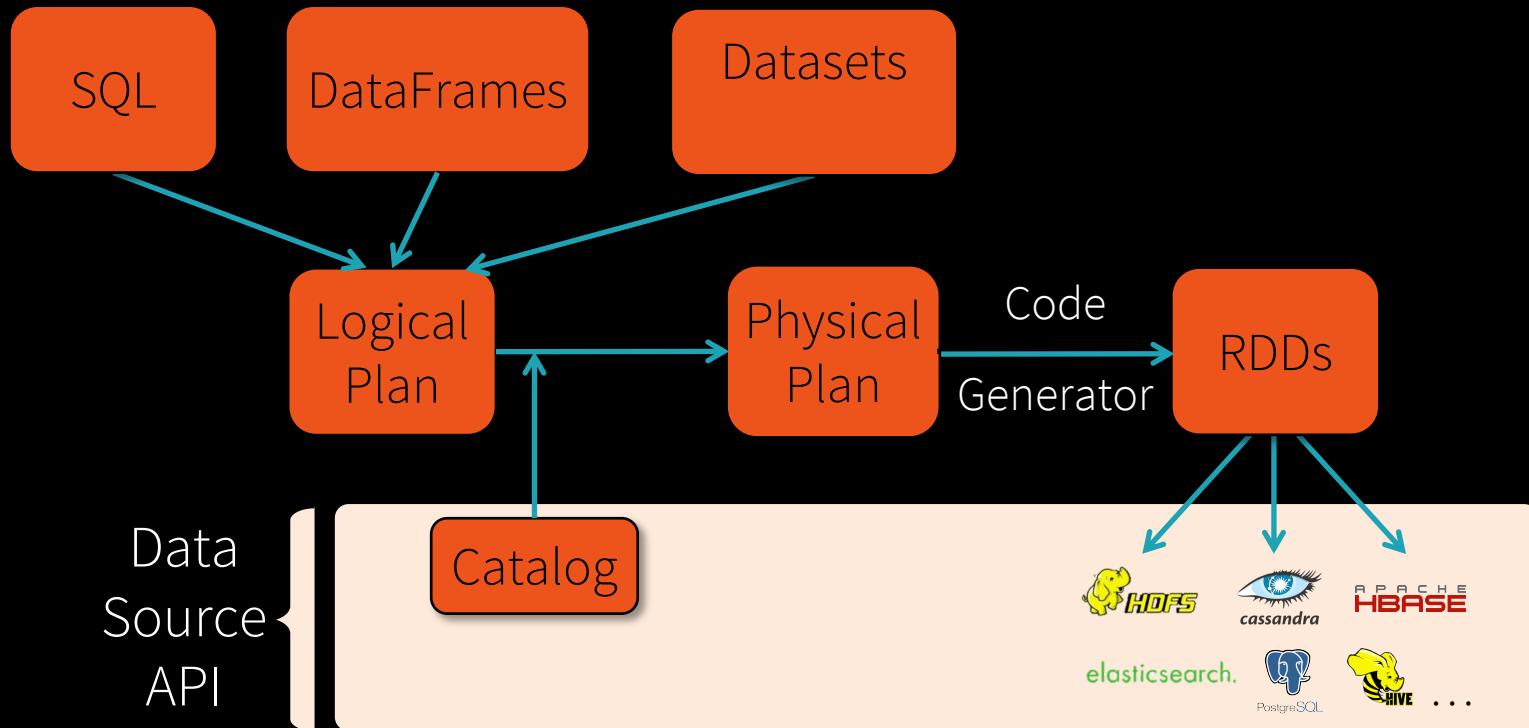
is not about SQL
is about more than SQL

Spark SQL: The whole story

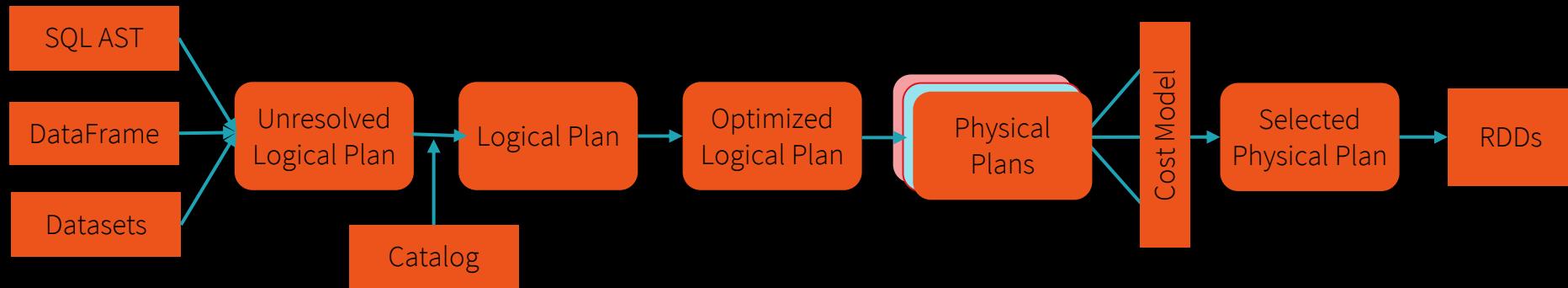
Is About Creating and Running Spark Programs
Faster:

- Write less code
- Read less data
- Do less work
 - optimizer does the hard work

Spark SQL Architecture



Using Catalyst in Spark SQL



Analysis: analyzing a logical plan to resolve references

Logical Optimization: logical plan optimization

Physical Planning: Physical planning

Code Generation: Compile parts of the query to Java bytecode

Catalyst Optimizations

LOGICAL OPTIMIZATIONS

- Push filter predicate down to data source, so irrelevant data can be skipped
- **Parquet:** skip entire blocks, turn comparisons into cheaper integer comparisons via dictionary coding
- RDMS: reduce amount of data traffic by pushing down predicates

PHYSICAL OPTIMIZATIONS

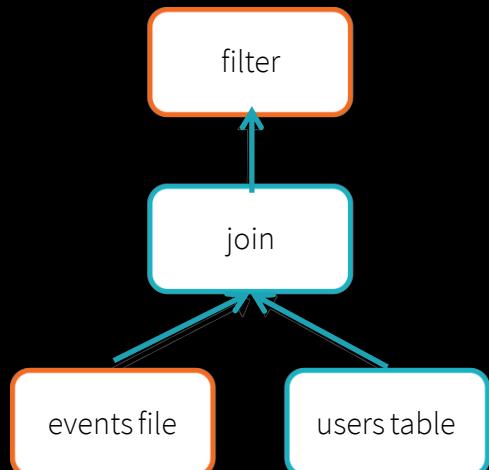
- Catalyst compiles operations into physical plan for execution and generates JVM byte code
- Intelligently choose between broadcast joins and shuffle joins to reduce network traffic
- **Lower level optimizations:** eliminate expensive object allocations and reduce virtual functions calls

DataFrame Optimization

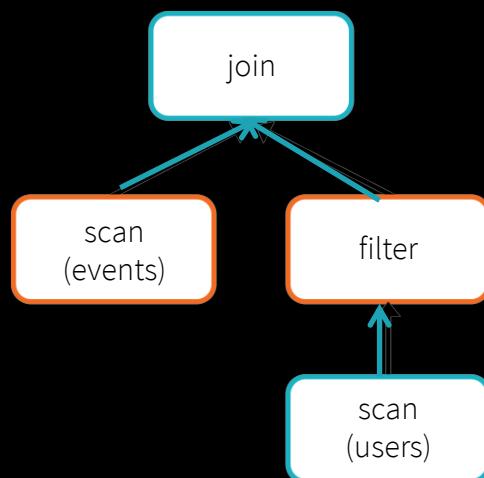
```
users.join(events, users("id") === events("uid")) .
```

```
    filter(events("date") > "2015-01-01")
```

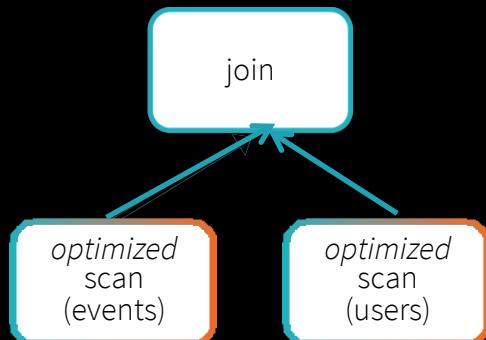
Logical Plan



Physical Plan



Physical Plan
with Predicate Pushdown
and Column Pruning



Columns: Predicate pushdown

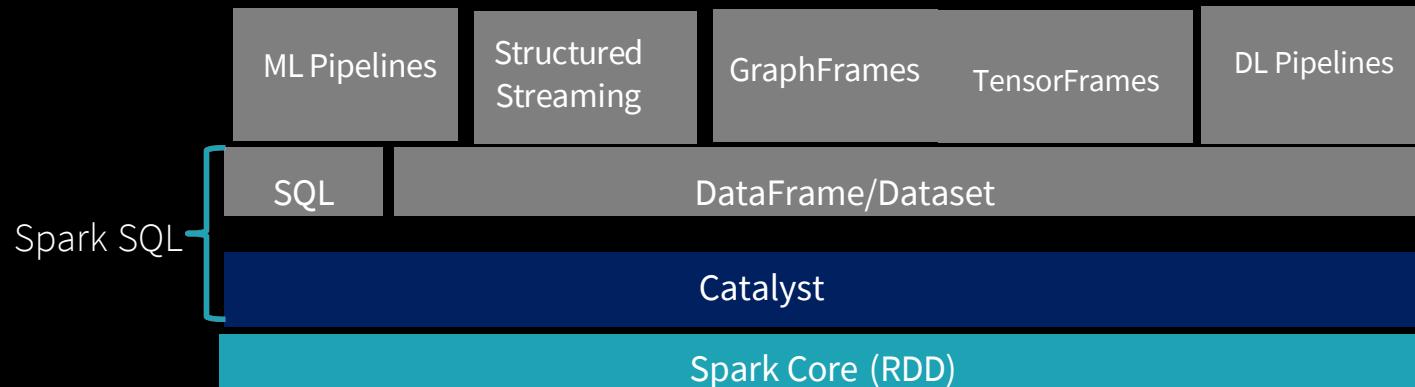
You Write

```
spark.read  
    .format("jdbc")  
    .option("url", "jdbc:postgresql:dbserver")  
    .option("dbtable", "people")  
    .load()  
    .where($"name" === "michael")
```

Spark Translates
For Postgres

```
SELECT * FROM people WHERE name = 'michael'
```

Foundational Spark 2.x Components



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Deep Dive into Spark SQL's Catalyst Optimizer

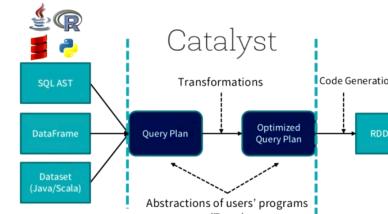
April 13, 2015 | by Michael Armbrust, Yin Huai, Cheng Liang, Reynold Xin and Matei Zaharia

Spark SQL is one of the newest and most technically involved components of Spark. It powers both SQL queries and the new [DataFrame API](#). At the core of Spark SQL is the Catalyst optimizer, which leverages advanced programming language features (e.g. Scala's [pattern matching](#) and [quasiquotes](#)) in a novel way to build an extensible query optimizer.

We recently published a [paper](#) on Spark SQL that will appear in [SIGMOD 2015](#) (co-authored with Davies Liu, Joseph K. Bradley, Xiangrui Meng, Tomer Kaftan, Michael J. Franklin, and Ali Ghods). In this blog post we are republishing a section in the paper that explains the internals of the Catalyst optimizer for broader consumption.

To implement Spark SQL, we designed a new extensible optimizer, Catalyst, based on functional programming constructs in Scala. Catalyst's extensible design had two purposes. First, we wanted to make it easy to add new optimization techniques and features to Spark SQL, especially for the purpose of tackling various problems we were seeing with big data (e.g., semistructured data and advanced analytics). Second, we wanted to enable external developers to extend the optimizer — for example, by adding data source specific rules that can push filtering or aggregation into external storage systems, or support for new data types. Catalyst supports both rule-based and cost-based optimization.

How Catalyst Works: An Overview



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http://people.csail.mit.edu/matei/papers/2015/sigmod_spark_sql.pdf



DataFrames & Datasets

Spark 2.x APIs

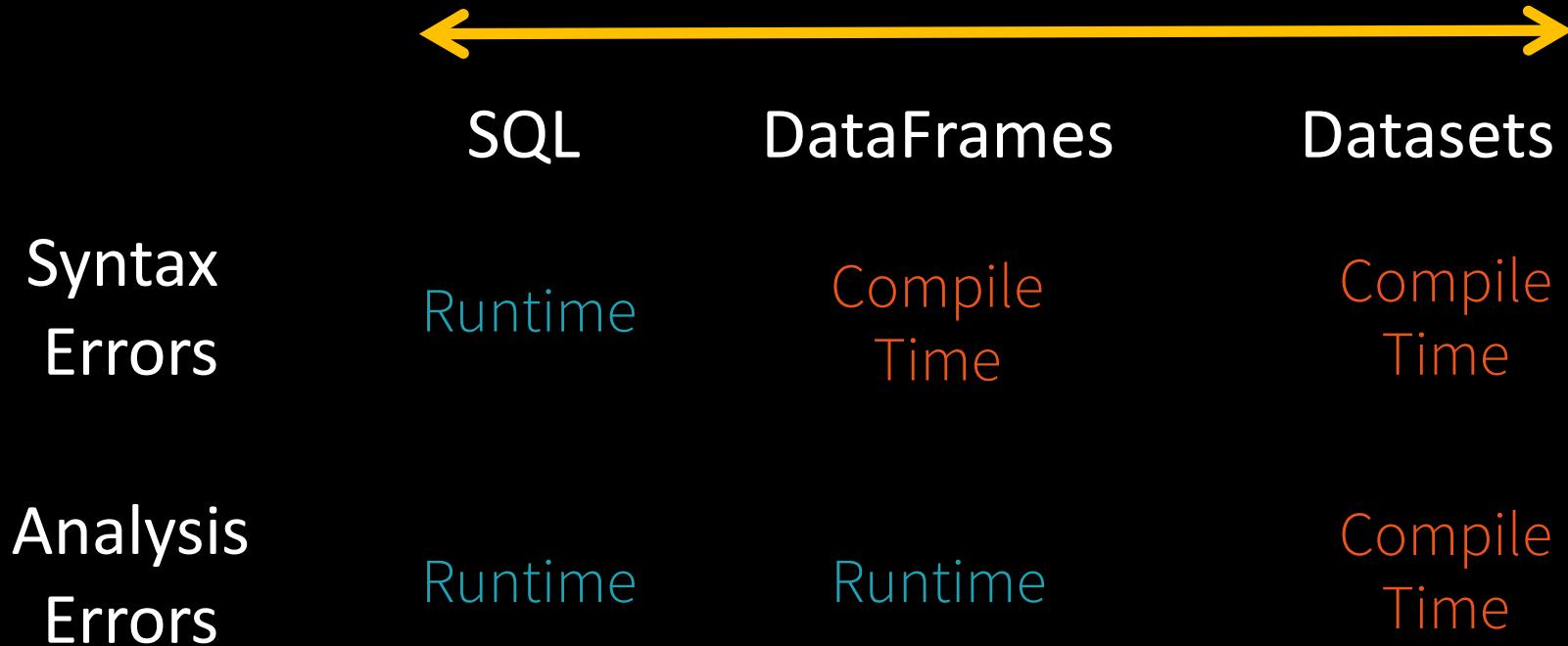
Background: What is in an RDD?

- Dependencies
- Partitions (with optional locality info)
- Compute function: $\text{Partition} \Rightarrow \text{Iterator[T]}$



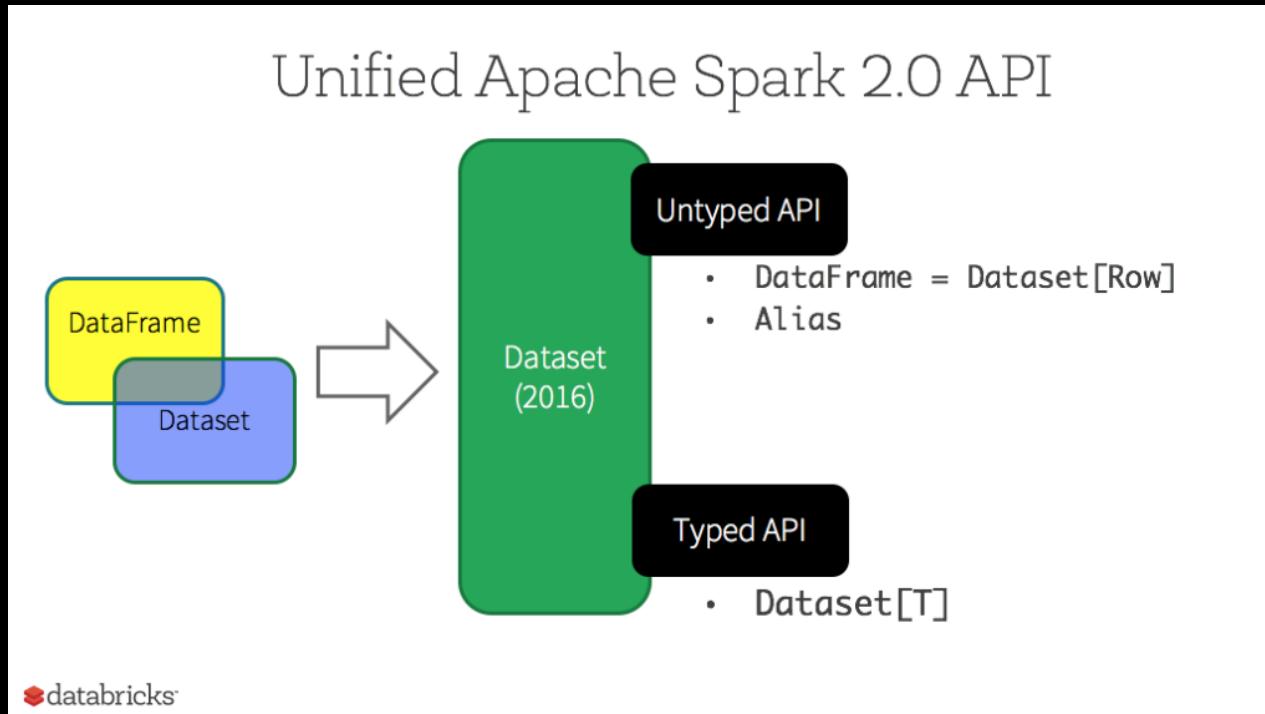
Opaque Computation
& Opaque Data

Structured APIs In Spark



Analysis errors are reported before a distributed job starts

Unification of APIs in Spark 2.0



DataFrame API code.

```
// convert RDD -> DF with column names
val df = parsedRDD.toDF("project", "page", "numRequests")
//filter, groupBy, sum, and then agg()
df.filter($"project" === "en").
  groupBy($"page").
  agg(sum($"numRequests").as("count")).
  limit(100).
  show(100)
```

project	page	numRequests
en	23	45
en	24	200

Take DataFrame → SQL Table → Query

```
df.createOrReplaceTempView ("edits")
```

```
val results = spark.sql("""SELECT page, sum(numRequests)
AS count FROM edits WHERE project = 'en' GROUP BY page
LIMIT 100""")
```

```
results.show(100)
```

project	page	numRequests
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Easy to write code... Believe it!

```
from pyspark.sql.functions import avg  
  
dataRDD = sc.parallelize([('Jim', 20), ('Anne', 31), ('Jim', 30)])  
dataDF = dataRDD.toDF(["name", "age"])  
  
# Using RDD code to compute aggregate average  
(dataRDD.map(lambda (x,y): (x, (y,1))).reduceByKey(lambda x,y: (x[0] +y[0], x[1]  
+y[1])).map(lambda (x, (y, z)): (x, y / z)))
```

```
# Using DataFrame
```

```
dataDF.groupBy("name").agg(avg("age"))
```

name	age
Jim	20
Ann	31
Jim	30

Why structure APIs?

DataFrame

```
data.groupBy("dept").avg("age")
```

SQL

```
select dept, avg(age) from data group by 1
```

RDD

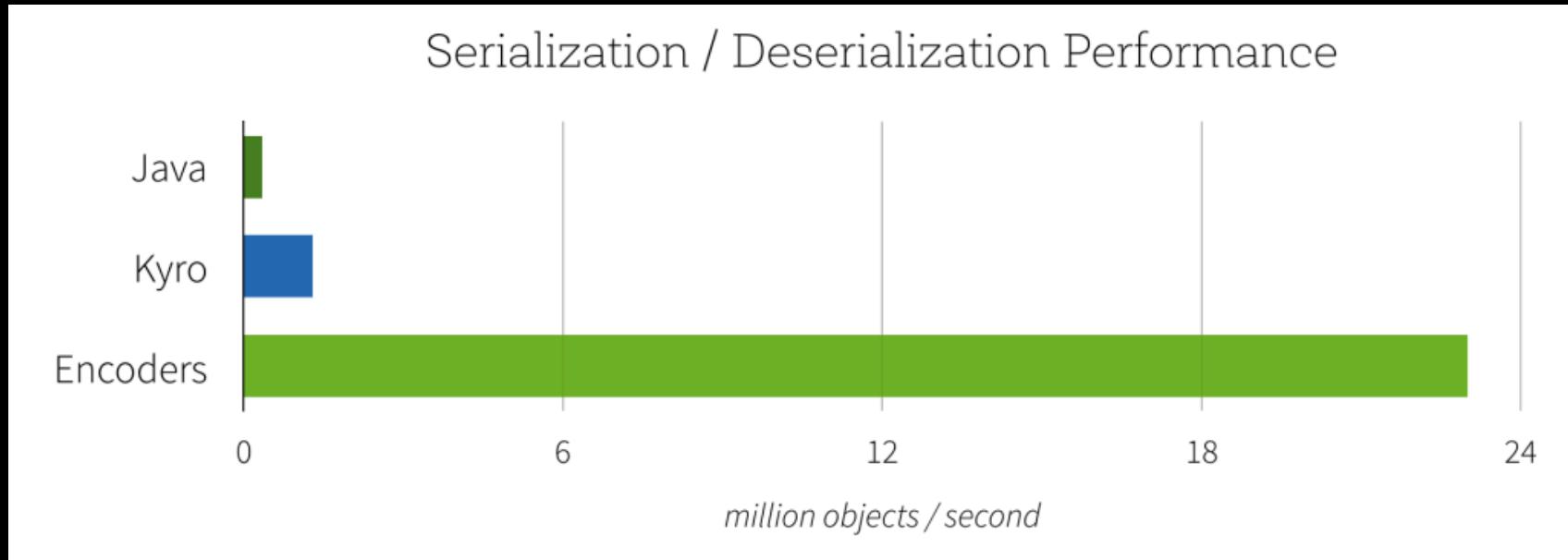
```
data.map { case (dept, age) => dept -> (age, 1) }
    .reduceByKey { case ((a1, c1), (a2, c2)) => (a1 + a2, c1 + c2)}
    .map { case (dept, (age, c)) => dept -> age / c }
```

Dataset API in Spark 2.x

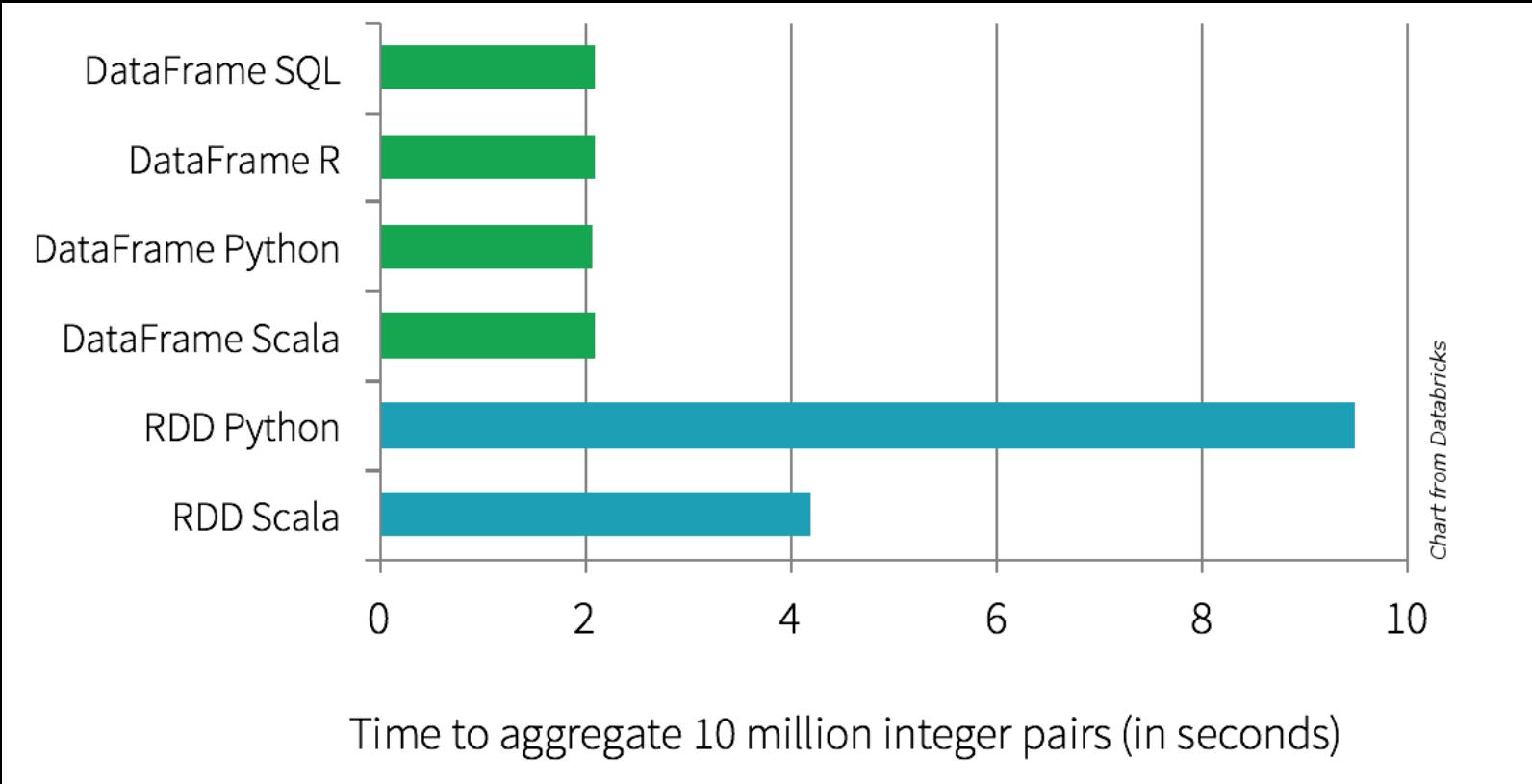
Type-safe: operate
on domain objects
with compiled
lambda functions

```
val df = spark.read.json("people.json")
// Convert data to domain objects.
case class Person(name: String, age: Int)
val ds: Dataset[Person] = df.as[Person]
val filterDS = ds.filter(p=>p.age > 30)
```

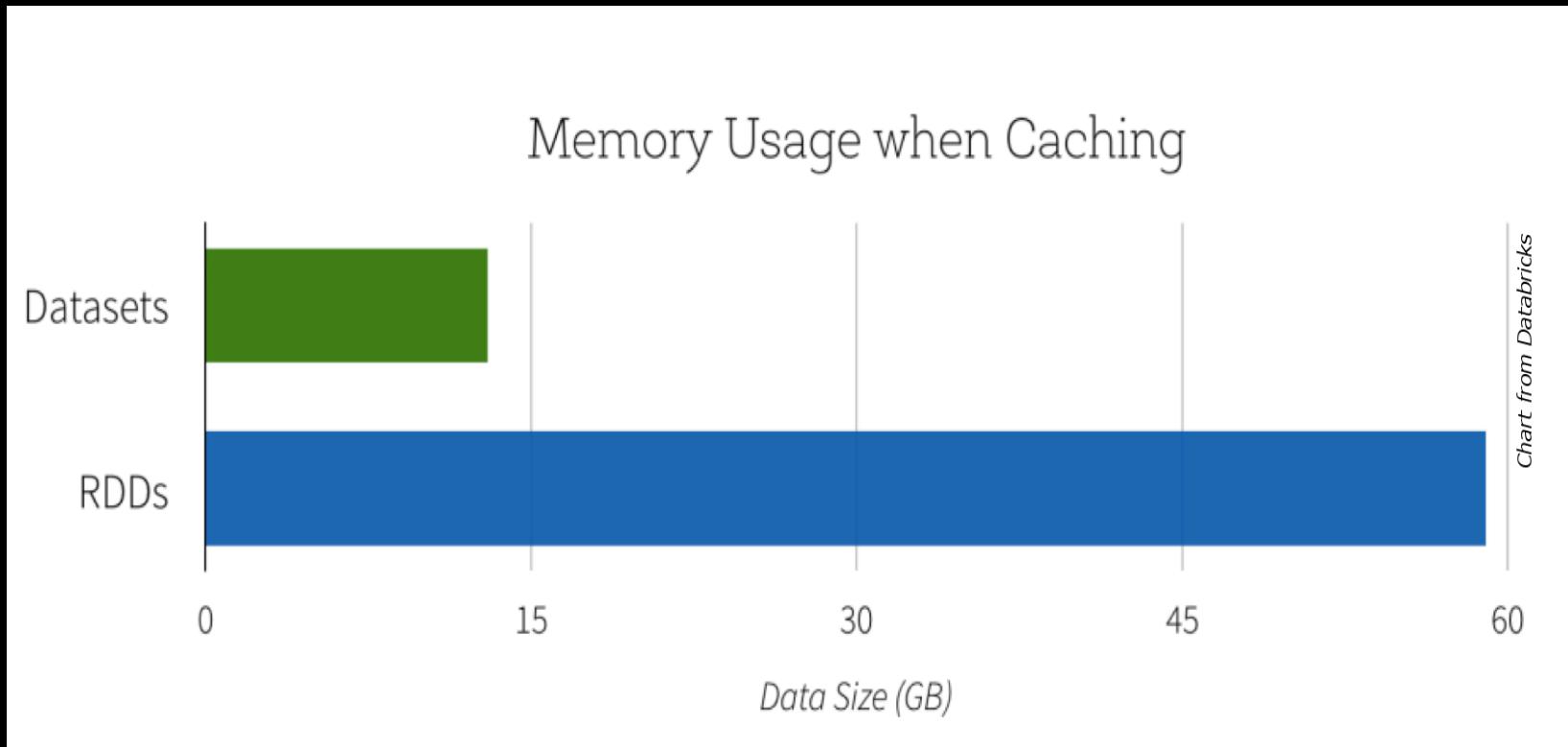
Datasets: Lightning-fast Serialization with Encoders



DataFrames are Faster than RDDs



Datasets < Memory RDDs



DataFrames & Datasets

Why

- High-level APIs and DSL
- Strong Type-safety
- Ease-of-use & Readability
- *What-to-do*

When

- Structured Data schema
- Code optimization & performance
- Space efficiency with Tungsten

Datasets

RDDs

- Functional Programming
- Type-safe

Dataframes

- Relational
- Catalyst query optimization
- Tungsten direct/packed RAM
- JIT code generation
- Sorting/suffling without deserializing

Spark 

Source: michaelmalak

A Tale of Three Apache Spark APIs: RDDs, DataFrames, and Datasets When to use them and why



by Jules Damji

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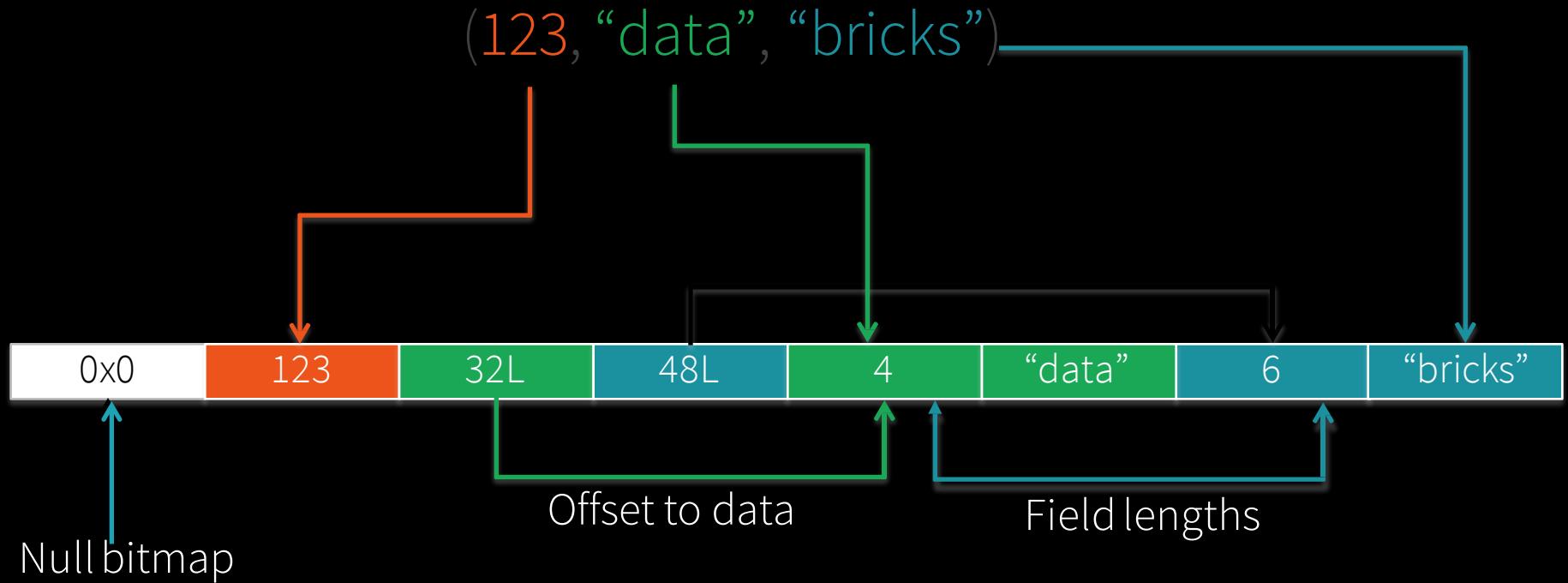


Project Tungsten II

Project Tungsten

- Substantially speed up execution by optimizing CPU efficiency,
via: SPARK-12795
 - (1) Runtime code generation
 - (2) Exploiting cache locality
 - (3) Off-heap memory management

Tungsten's Compact Row Format



Encoders

Encoders translate between domain objects and Spark's internal format

JVM Object

`MyClass(123, "data", "bricks")`



Internal Representation

0x0	123	32L	48L	4	"data"	6	"bricks"
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Project Tungsten: Bringing Apache Spark Closer to Bare Metal



by Reynold Xin and Josh Rosen
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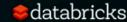
In a previous [blog post](#), we looked back and surveyed performance improvements made to Apache Spark in the past year. In this post, we look forward and share with you the next chapter, which we are calling *Project Tungsten*. 2014 witnessed Spark setting the world record in large-scale sorting and saw major improvements across the entire engine from Python to SQL to machine learning. Performance optimization, however, is a never ending process.

Project Tungsten will be the largest change to Spark's execution engine since the project's inception. It focuses on substantially improving the efficiency of *memory and CPU* for Spark applications, to push performance closer to the limits of modern hardware. This effort includes three initiatives:

1. *Memory Management and Binary Processing*: leveraging application semantics to manage memory explicitly and eliminate the overhead of JVM object model and garbage collection
2. *Cache-aware computation*: algorithms and data structures to exploit memory hierarchy
3. *Code generation*: using code generation to exploit modern compilers and CPUs

Deep Dive: Memory Management in Apache **Spark**

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