Step 1: Import and Initialize Spark

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from pyspark.sql import SparkSession

Initialize Spark session

spark = SparkSession.builder.appName("MatrixMultiplication").getOrCreate()

sc = spark.sparkContext

What it does:

- o Imports Spark.
- o Starts a new Spark session with the app name "MatrixMultiplication".
- o sc is the SparkContext used to create RDDs (Resilient Distributed Datasets).

◆ Step 2: Define Matrices

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matrix_A = [
(0, 0, 4), (0, 1, 6), (0, 2, 8),
(1, 0, 5), (1, 1, 5), (1, 2, 4)
]
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matrix_B = [
(0, 0, 7), (0, 1, 8),
(1, 0, 9), (1, 1, 10),
(2, 0, 11), (2, 1, 12)
]
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- Each tuple is of the form (row, column, value).
- Matrix A is 2×3 (2 rows, 3 columns)
- Matrix B is 3×2 (3 rows, 2 columns)

You are multiplying a 2×3 matrix with a 3×2 matrix, so the result will be 2×2 .

◆ Step 3: Convert to RDDs

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rdd_A = sc.parallelize(matrix_A)

rdd_B = sc.parallelize(matrix_B)

• Converts both matrices into RDDs so Spark can process them in parallel.

◆ Step 4: Map Phase (Key by Shared Dimension)

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mapped_A = rdd_A.map(lambda x: (x[1], (x[0], x[2]))) # A: key = column index

mapped_B = rdd_B.map(lambda x: (x[0], (x[1], x[2]))) # B: key = row index

• We **key A by its column** and **B by its row**, so that we can **join on common indices** for multiplication.

◆ Step 5: Join A and B on Shared Index

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joined = mapped_A.join(mapped_B)

- Joins elements from A and B that have the same column index of A and row index of B.
- Resulting format: (shared_index, ((row_A, val_A), (col_B, val_B)))

◆ Step 6: Multiply Corresponding Values

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partial_products = joined.map(lambda x: ((x[1][0][0], x[1][1][0]), x[1][0][1] * x[1][1][1]))

For each matching pair, multiply the values and emit a partial product for position (row_A, col_B).

◆ Step 7: Reduce (Sum Partial Products)

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result = partial_products.reduceByKey(lambda x, y: x + y)

• Sums all the partial products for the same output cell in the resulting matrix.

◆ Step 8: Collect and Display Output

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output = result.collect()

for ((row, col), value) in sorted(output):

print(f"({row}, {col}) -> {value}")

- Collects the results from the distributed environment and prints them.
- Output format: (row_index, column_index) -> value

What is an RDD?

RDD stands for **Resilient Distributed Dataset**.

It's the **core data structure** of Apache Spark. Think of it like a **fault-tolerant**, **distributed list** that can be processed in parallel across a cluster of computers.

Here's what that means:

✓ 1. Resilient

- It can recover from failures automatically.
- Spark keeps track of how the data was derived (its **lineage**), so if a node fails, it can **recompute** the lost data.

2. Distributed

- Data is **split across multiple nodes** (computers) in a cluster.
- So operations (like map, reduce, filter, etc.) can be run in **parallel**, making it super fast for big data.

3. Dataset

- It's basically a **collection of records**, similar to a list or array in Python.
- Each record can be any type of object: number, string, tuple, etc.

What is sc.parallelize() doing?

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rdd_A = sc.parallelize(matrix_A)

- sc is your **SparkContext**, and parallelize() is a method that:
 - o Takes a regular Python collection (like a list)
 - o Breaks it into **partitions** (chunks)
 - o Distributes these chunks across multiple machines (or threads, if local)
 - o Returns an **RDD object** that you can now process in parallel