

**Spark SQL - Processing DataFrames** 

# **Learning Objectives**

By the end of this lesson, you will be able to:

- Explain the importance and features of Spark SQL
- Describe the methods to convert RDDs to DataFrames
- Load existing data into a DataFrame



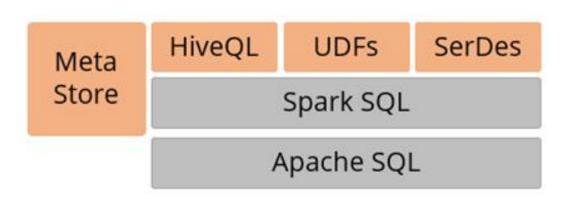


**Spark SQL Introduction** 

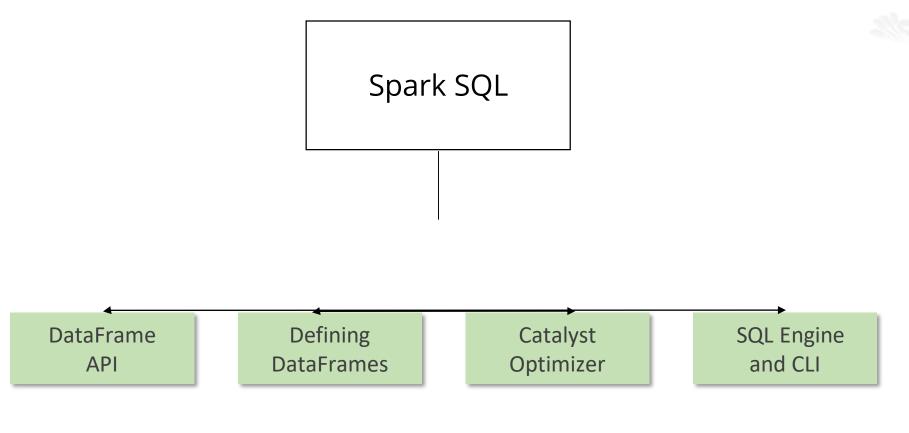


# What Is Spark SQL?

Spark SQL is a module for structured data processing that is built on top of core Spark.



Spark SQL provides the following:



## Importance of Spark SQL

Spark SQL provides four main capabilities for using structured and semi-structured data.

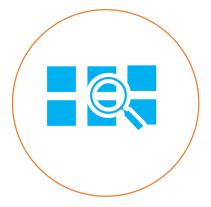
Acts as a distributed SQL query engine





Provides DataFrames for programming abstraction

Allows users to query structured data in Spark programs





Can be used with platforms such as Scala, Java, R, and Python

# **Advantages of Spark SQL**



Hive Compatibility: Compatible with the existing Hive queries, UDFs, and data



**Integrated**: Mixes SQL queries with Spark programs



**Unified Data Access**: Loads and queries data from different sources



**Standard Connectivity**: Connects through JDBC or ODBC



**Performance**: Executes the most optimal plans

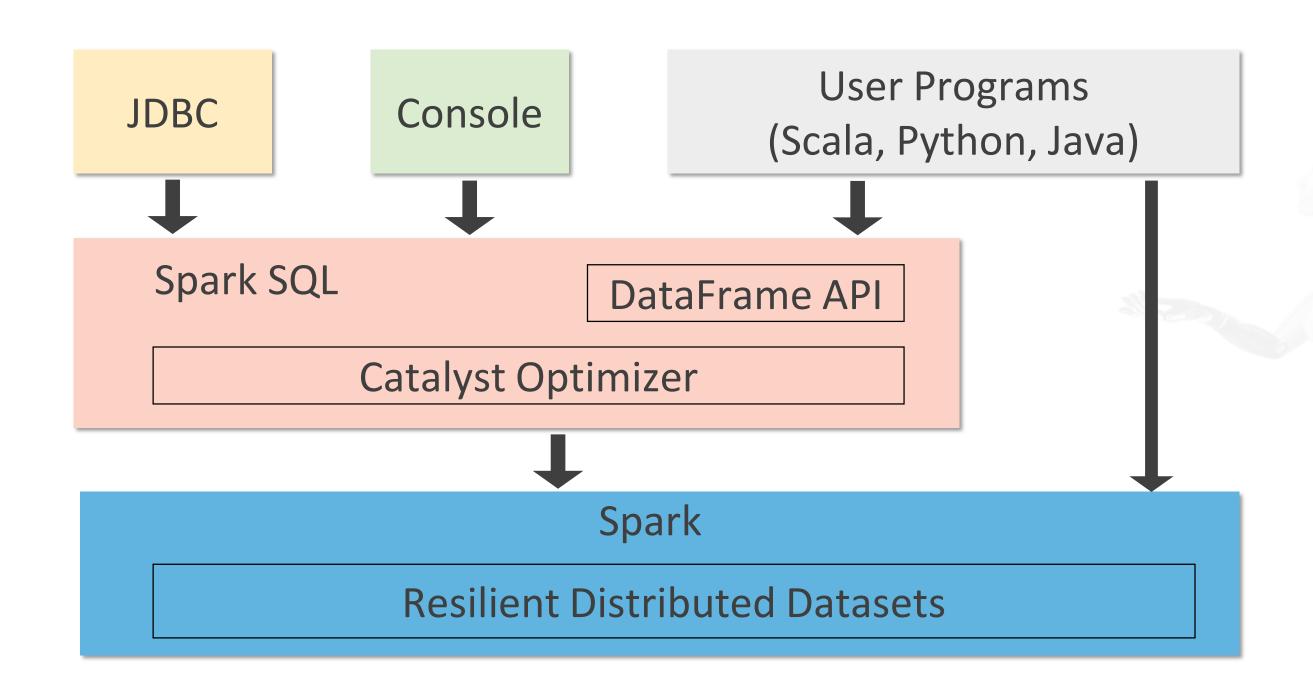


**Spark SQL Architecture** 



### **Spark SQL Architecture**

The below diagram shows the typical architecture and interfaces of Spark SQL.



### **SQLContext**

The SQLContext class or any of its descendants acts as the entry point into all functionalities.

How to get the benefit of a superset of the basic SQLContext functionality? Build a HiveContext to:

- Use the writing ability for queries
- Access Hive UDFs and read data from Hive tables

val sqlContext = new
org.apache.Spark.sql.SQLContext(sc)



### **SQLContext**

#### **Points to Remember:**

- You can use the Spark.sql.dialect option to select the specific variant of SQL used for parsing queries
- On a SQLContext, the sql function allows applications to programmatically run SQL queries and then return a DataFrame as the result.

```
val df = sqlContext.sql("SELECT * FROM table")
```



### **DataFrames**

#### **DataFrames**

DataFrames represent a distributed collection of data in which data is organized into columns that are named.

Construct a DataFrame

Use sources such as tables in Hive, structured data files, existing RDDs, and external databases.

Convert Them to RDDs

Call the rdd method, that returns the DataFrame content, as an RDD of rows.

In the prior versions of Spark SQL API, SchemaRDD has been renamed as DataFrame.



## **Creating DataFrames**

#### **DataFrames can be created:**

- From an existing structured data source
- From an existing RDD
- By performing an operation or query on another DataFrame
- By programmatically defining a schema

### **Creating a DataFrame**

```
val sc: SparkContext  // An existing SparkContext.
val sqlContext = new org.apache.Spark.sql.SQLContext(sc)

val df = sqlContext.read.json("examples/src/main/resources/customers.json")
// Displays the content of the DataFrame to stdout

df.show()
```



### Handling Various Data Formats

Duration: 10 mins

**Problem Statement:** In this demonstration, you will learn how to handle various data formats.

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# **Using DataFrame Operations**

DataFrames provide a domain-specific language that can be used for structured data manipulation in Java, Scala, and Python.

```
val sc: SparkContext
  val sqlContext = new org.apache.Spark.sql.SQLContext(sc)
  // Create the DataFrame
  val df = sqlContext.read.json("examples/src/main/resources/customers.json")
// Show the content of the DataFrame
df.show()
  // Print the schema in a tree format
  df.printSchema()
  // Select only the "name" column
  df.select("name").show()
```

## **Using DataFrame Operations**

```
// Select everybody, but increment the age by 1
df.select(df("name"), df("age") + 1).show()

// Select people older than 21
df.filter(df("age") > 21).show()

// Count people by age
df.groupBy("age").count().show()
```



### Implement Various DataFrame Operations

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#### **UDFs: User Defined Functions**

UDFs are used to define new column-based functions that help Spark SQL in transforming datasets.

The example below defines a UDF to convert a given text to upper case.

- -> val dataset = Seq((0, "hello"),(1, "world")).toDF("id","text")
- -> val upper: String => String =\_.toUpperCase
- -> import org.apache.Spark.sql.functions.udf
- -> val upperUDF = udf(upper)
- -> dataset.withColumn("upper", upperUDF('text)).show



### **UDAF: User-Defined Aggregate Functions**

Spark SQL allows users to define custom aggregation functions called User-Defined Aggregate Functions or UDAFs.

Туре	Value	Type Total
А	3	15
Α	12	15
В	7	9
В	2	9
С	9	20
С	11	20

UDAFs are very useful when performing aggregations across groups or columns.



# **UDAF: User-Defined Aggregate Functions**

In order to write a custom UDAF, you need to extend UserDefinedAggregateFunction and define four methods.

class GeometricMean extends UserDefinedAggregateFunction

Update

For a given group, Spark will call "update" for each input record of that group.

Merge

If the function supports partial aggregates, Spark computes partial result and combines them together.

Once all the entries for a group are exhausted, Spark will call "evaluate" to get the final result.





UDF and UDAF Duration: 10 mins

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### **Interoperating with RDDs**

To convert existing RDDs into DataFrames, Spark SQL supports two methods:



#### **Reflection-Based**

- Infers an RDD schema containing specific types of objects
- Works well when the schema is already known while writing the Spark application



#### **Programmatic**

- Lets you build a schema and apply to an already existing RDD
- Allows you to build DataFrames when you do not know the columns and their types until runtime

## **Using the Reflection-Based Approach**

For Spark SQL, the Scala interface allows users to convert an RDD with case classes to a DataFrame automatically.

- The case class has the table schema, where the argument names to the case class are read using the reflection method.
- The case class can be nested and used to contain complex types like sequence of arrays
- Scala Interface implicitly convert the resultant RDD to a DataFrame and register it as a table.

## **Using the Reflection-Based Approach**

```
val sqlContext = new org.apache.Spark.sql.SQLContext(sc)
import sqlContext.implicits._
case class Person(name: String, age: Int)
// Create an RDD of Person objects and register it as a table.
val people = sc.textFile("examples/src/main/resources/people.txt").map(_.split(",")).map(p => Person(p(0),
p(1).trim.toInt)).toDF()
people.registerTempTable("people")
// SQL statements can be run by using the sql methods provided by sqlContext.
val teenagers = sqlContext.sql("SELECT name, age FROM people WHERE age >= 13 AND age <= 19")
teenagers.map(t => "Name: " + t(0)).collect().foreach(println)
// or by field name:
teenagers.map(t => "Name: " + t.getAs[String]("name")).collect().foreach(println)
// row.getValuesMap[T] retrieves multiple columns at once into a Map[String, T]
teenagers.map(_.getValuesMap[Any](List("name", "age"))).collect().foreach(println)
```

# **Using the Programmatic Approach**

This method is used when you cannot define case classes ahead of time. For example, when the records structure is encoded in a text dataset or a string.

The below steps are used for defining case classes:

Use the existing RDD to create an RDD of rows



Create the schema represented by a StructType that matches the rows



Apply the schema to the RDD of rows using the createDataFrame method

## **Using the Programmatic Approach**

```
val sqlContext = new org.apache.Spark.sql.SQLContext(sc)
val people = sc.textFile("examples/src/main/resources/people.txt")
```

#### // The schema is encoded in a string

val schemaString = "name age"
import org.apache.Spark.sql.Row;
import org.apache.Spark.sql.types.{StructType,StructField,StringType};

// Generate the schema based on the string of schema, Convert records of the RDD (people) to Rows and Apply the schema to the RDD.

```
val schema = StructType( schemaString.split(" ").map(fieldName => StructField(fieldName, StringType, true)))
val rowRDD = people.map(_.split(",")).map(p => Row(p(0), p(1).trim))
val peopleDataFrame = sqlContext.createDataFrame(rowRDD, schema)
peopleDataFrame.registerTempTable("people")
```



### Process DataFrame Using SQL Query

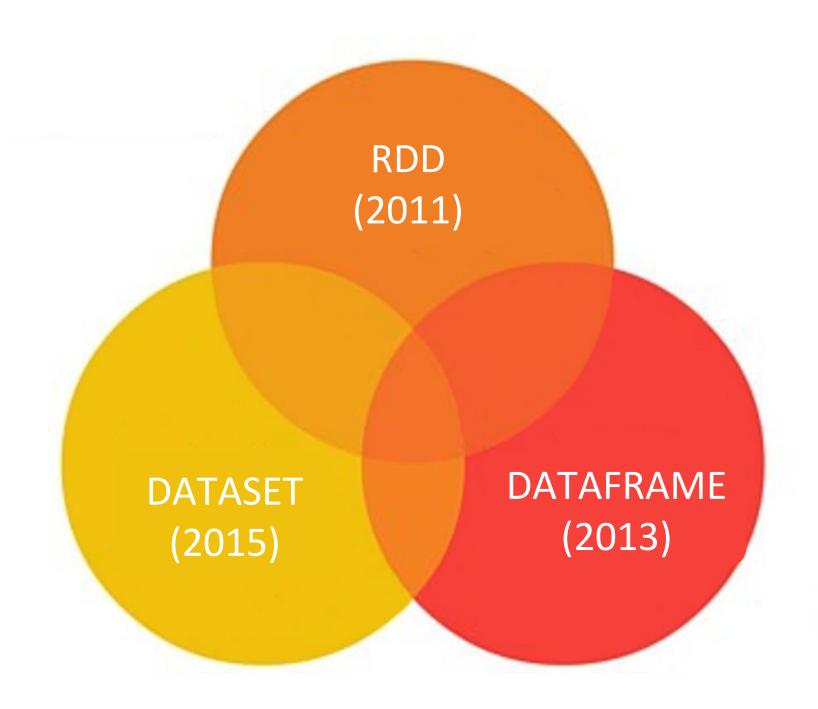
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### RDD vs. DataFrame vs. Dataset

Apache Spark provides three types of APIs: RDD, DataFrame, and Dataset.



## **Example: Filter By Attribute**

Given below are the various ways to filter an attribute using the three APIs.

**RDD** 

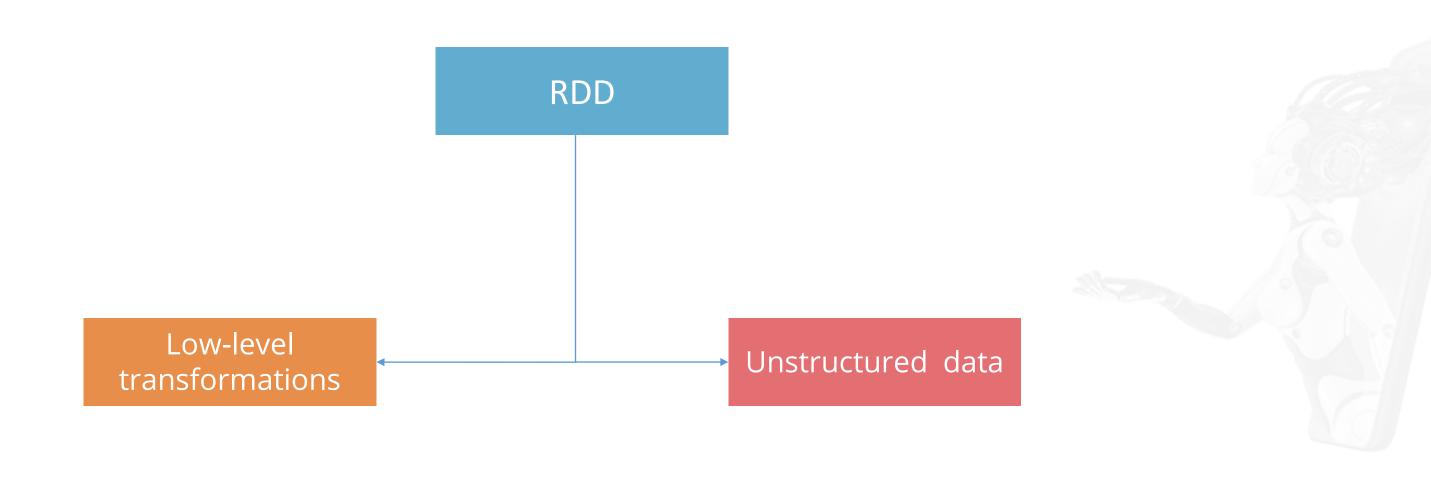
DataFrame

Dataset



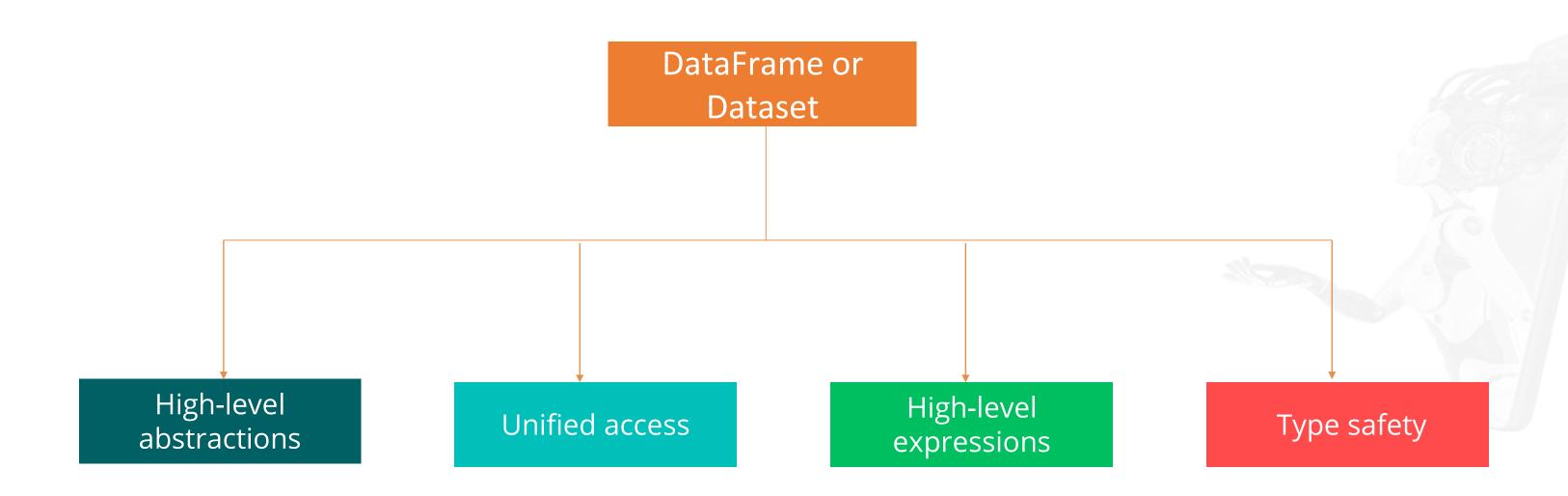
### **Use Case: RDD API**

We can use any of the three APIs based on the requirements.



### **Use Case: DataFrame or Dataset API**

In Spark 2.0, DataFrame APIs and Datasets APIs were merged, unifying data processing capabilities across libraries.





### Processing DataFrames

Duration: 15 mins

**Problem Statement:** Using Scala, perform the below tasks on Spark DataFrames.

- Create the case classes with the following fields: Department, Employee, and DepartmentWithEmployees.
   Note: Create the DepartmentWithEmployees instances from Departments and Employees.
   Insert at least four values.
- Create two DataFrames from the list of the above case classes.
- Combine the two DataFrames and write the combined DataFrame to a parquet file.
- Use filter() or where() clause to return the rows whose first name is either "Alice" or "John".
   Note: Use first name filter as per your entries.
- Retrieve rows with missing firstName or lastName.
- Find the distinct (firstName, lastName) combinations.

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#### **Unassisted Practice**



#### Steps to Perform

```
// Create the case classes
case class Department(id: String, name: String)
case class Employee(firstName: String, lastName: String, email: String, salary: Int)
case class DepartmentWithEmployees(department: Department, employees: Seq[Employee])
// Create the Departments
val department1 = new Department("123456", "Computer Science")
val department2 = new Department("789012", "Mechanical Engineering")
val department3 = new Department("345678", "Theater and Drama")
val department4 = new Department("901234", "Indoor Recreation")
// Create the Employees
val employee1 = new Employee("Alice", "Mathew", "no-reply@harvard.edu", 100000)
val employee2 = new Employee("John", "Singleton", "no-reply@stanford.edu", 120000)
val employee3 = new Employee("matei", null, "no-reply@oxford.edu", 140000)
val employee4 = new Employee(null, "wendell", "no-reply@princeton.edu", 160000)
```

#### **Unassisted Practice**



### Steps to Perform

// Create the DepartmentWithEmployees instances from Departments and Employees

val departmentWithEmployees1 = new DepartmentWithEmployees(department1, Seq(employee1, employee2)) val departmentWithEmployees2 = new DepartmentWithEmployees(department2, Seq(employee3, employee4)) val departmentWithEmployees3 = new DepartmentWithEmployees(department3, Seq(employee1, employee4)) val departmentWithEmployees4 = new DepartmentWithEmployees(department4, Seq(employee2, employee3))

// Create DataFrames from a list of the case classes

val departmentsWithEmployeesSeq1 = Seq(departmentWithEmployees1, departmentWithEmployees2) val df1 = departmentsWithEmployeesSeq1.toDF() display(df1)

val departmentsWithEmployeesSeq2 = Seq(departmentWithEmployees3, departmentWithEmployees4) val df2 = departmentsWithEmployeesSeq2.toDF() display(df2)

#### **Unassisted Practice**



#### Steps to Perform

```
// combining the two DataFrames
val unionDF = df1.unionAll(df2)
display(unionDF)

// Write the combined DataFrame to a Parquet file
unionDF.write.parquet("/user/simpli_learn/simplitest")

// Explode the employees column

val flattenDF = parquetDF.select(functions.explode($"employees")).flattenSchema val columnsRenamed = Seq("firstName", "lastName", "email", "salary")
val explodeDF = flattenDF.toDF(columnsRenamed: _*)
explodeDF.show()
```

#### **Unassisted Practice**



#### Steps to Perform

```
// Using filter() to return the rows where first name is either 'Alice' or 'John'
val filterDF = explodeDF
    .filter($"firstName" === "Alice" || $"firstName" === "John")
    .sort($"lastName".asc)
display(filterDF)
// Retrieve rows with missing firstName or lastName
val filterNonNullDF = nonNullDF.filter($"firstName" === "" || $"lastName" === "").sort($"email".asc)
display(filterNonNullDF)
```

#### **Unassisted Practice**



#### Steps to Perform

#### **Key Takeaways**

You are now able to:

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## DATA AND ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE



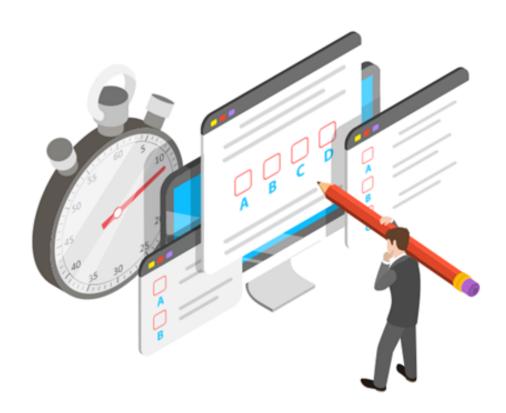
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- b. Spark SQL
- c. MapReduce
- d. None of the above



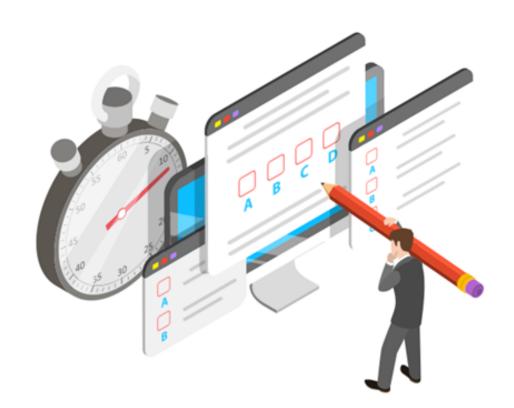
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The correct answer is

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Spark SQL is built on Spark for general purpose processing.



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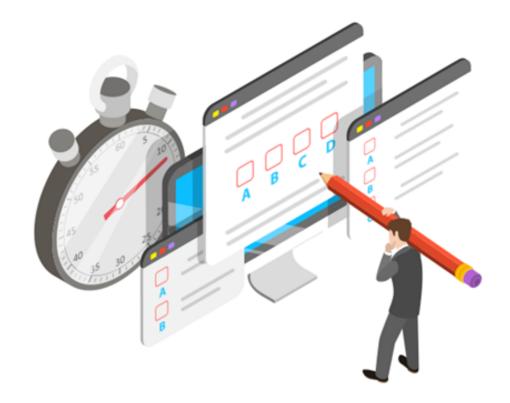
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- d. All of the above



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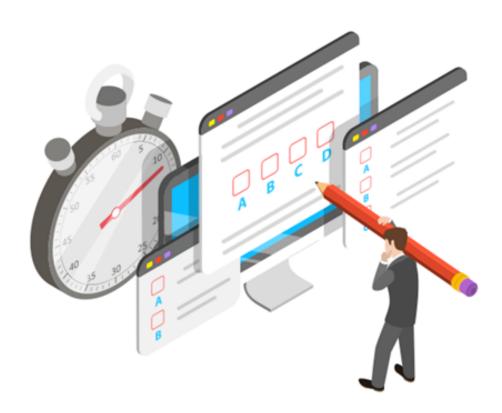
The correct answer is

d.

Spark SQL provides the DataFrame API, defines DataFrames containing rows and columns, and provides the Catalyst Optimizer along with SQL engine and CLI.

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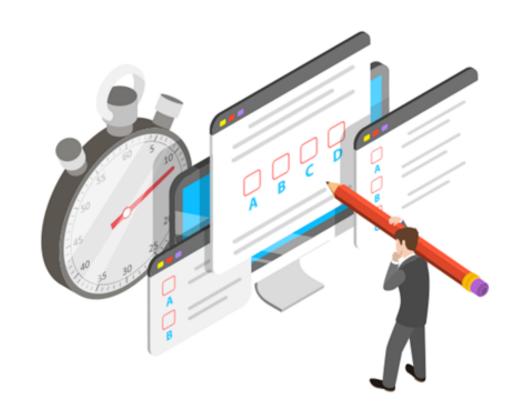
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- c. DataFrames
- d. Data Organizer



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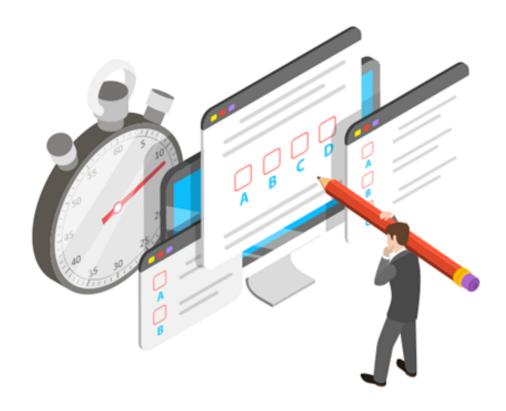
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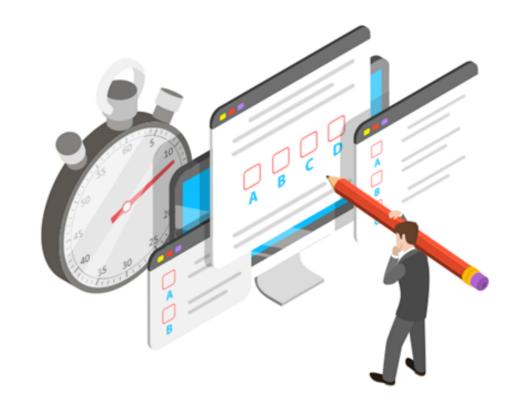
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- c. Both a and b
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The correct answer is

C.

To convert existing RDDs into DataFrames, Spark SQL supports two methods: Programmatic and Reflective-Based.



#### **Lesson-End Project**

#### **Problem Statement:**

Every country has data for each of the companies that are operating in that country. Registering a company is mandatory as it has to provide information about its profit/loss and other details. "People data Labs" is one of the biggest data companies which collects and provides data. They recently open-sourced the datasets of "Global companies", which operate in various countries. Data can be used to find a company in any specific industry, their employee count, and website details.

all\_companies\_details.csv contains the below fields:

- 1. Name
- 2. Domain
- 3. Year founded in
- 4. Industry
- 5. Size range
- 6. Country
- 7. LinkedÍn URL
- 8. Current employee estimate
- 9. Total employee estimate



#### **Lesson-End Project**

#### Your task is to find:

The companies which were registered before 1980 in each country
The companies which were founded between 1990 and 2000 and has a size range of 10001+

The top industries having the maximum number of companies
The top 5 countries having the maximum number of companies that belong to the "facilities services" industry





### Thank You

