Spark Streaming

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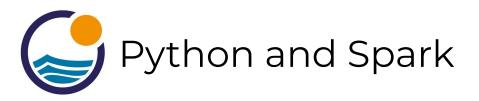
- Spark Streaming is an extension of the core Spark API that enables scalable, high-throughput, fault-tolerant stream processing of live data streams.

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- Data can be ingested from many sources like Kafka, Flume, Kinesis, or TCP sockets, and can be processed using complex algorithms expressed with high-level functions like map, reduce, join and window.

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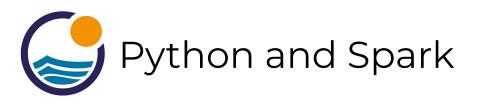
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- Internally, Spark Streaming receives live input data streams and divides the data into batches, which are then processed by the Spark engine to generate the final stream of results in batches.
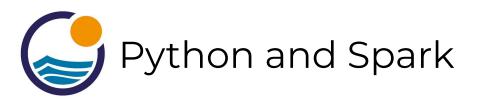
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- For this course we will first work through a simple streaming example.
- You will need to simultaneously use jupyter notebook and a terminal for this.
- This is easiest to follow through a local installation using Virtual Box.

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- After working through that example we will finish off the course with a Twitter Analysis Project.
- To follow along with this project you'll need to install a few visualization libraries and set up a Twitter Developer Account.

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- We'll walk you through all these steps when the time comes during the lectures.

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- The various possible data sources (Kafka, Flume,Kinesis, etc...) can not realistically be shown in a single computer setting.
- If your place of work necessitates use of one of these sources, Spark provides full integration guides.

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- Keep in mind not every source version is available with the Python API.
- Let's jump to the documentation to show you where you can find additional information on Spark Streaming!
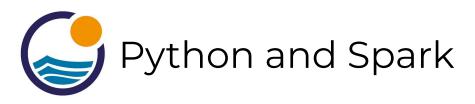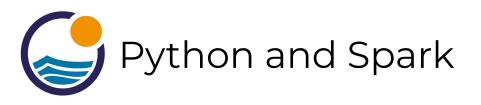
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- Because we will be using Spark Streaming and not structured streaming (still experimental and in Alpha) we need to use some older "RDD" syntax.
- This stems from using a SparkContext instead of a SparkSession.

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- We will be building a very simple application that connects to a local stream of data (an open terminal) through a socket connection.
- It will then count the words for each line that we type in.

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- The steps for streaming will be:
    - Create a SparkContext
    - Create a StreamingContext
    - Create a Socket Text Stream
    - Read in the lines as a "DStream"

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- The steps for working with the data:
  - Split the input line into a list of words
  - Map each word to a tuple: (word,1)
  - Then group (**reduce)** the tuples by the word (**key)** and sum up the second argument (the number one)

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- That will then provide us with a word count in the form **('hello',3)** for each line.
- As a quick note, the RDD syntax relies heavily on lambda expressions, which are just quick anonymous functions.

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- Fortunately, all the lambda expressions used here are quite simple and basic.
- Let's get started with this simple example!

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- Now it is time for your final project!
- We'll create a simple application that plots out the popularity of tags associated with incoming tweets streamed live from Twitter.

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- We first need to create a Twitter Developer Account to get our access codes.
- Then you'll need to install the tweepy library as well as matplotlib and seaborn.
- Let's get started by going to:
  - **apps.twitter.com**

Spark Streaming Twitter Project Part Two

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- Our next task is to write a script that will connect to Twitter for streaming.
- This will be a .py file that we will call later on.
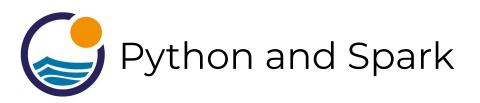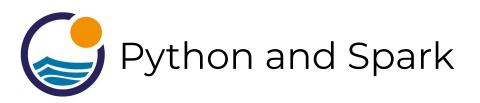- Let's get started!

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- Now we will finish off our project by setting up a Jupyter Notebook with Spark that will connect to the socket connection created by TweetRead.py!
- Remember to fill in your credentials for everything to work!

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- For this lecture I **highly** recommend that you avoid typing out the instructions on your own and instead use the provided notebook:
  - Introduction to Spark Streaming.ipynb

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- There are many places where a simple typo can mess everything up, and the nature of SQLContexts and the sockets will require you to restart your VirtualBox to get going again.

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- Depending on how many times you run through this exercise, the port you assigned in TweetRead.py may already be in use, we'll go over how to change that port.

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- We also need to install one more library called pandas.
  - **pip3 install pandas**
- Install this at the terminal and then restart you VirtualBox Ubuntu Machine before following along with this lecture.

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- Here are the steps we'll take:
  - Quickly review TweetRead.py
  - Open up the provided notebook file
  - Scroll down to the Twitter section
  - Run the .py files and cells in the correct order as we explain what is happening line by line.

Python and Spark

- There are many steps that must be done in the **exact** order for this entire process to work!
- If you do even a single step out of order, you'll need to restart the VirtualBox and start over again.

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- Using the provided TweetRead.py and Introduction to Spark Streaming.ipynb will save you a lot of time and frustration!
- Let's get started