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How do I use multiple conditions with pyspark.sql.funtions.when()?

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I have a dataframe with a few columns. Now I want to derive a new column from 2 other columns:

```
from pyspark.sql import functions as F
new_df = df.withColumn("new_col", F.when(df["col-1"] > 0.0 & df["col-2"] > 0.0,
1).otherwise(0))
```

With this I only get an exception:

```
py4j.Py4JException: Method and([class java.lang.Double]) does not exist
```

It works with just one condition like this:

```
new_df = df.withColumn("new_col", F.when(df["col-1"] > 0.0, 1).otherwise(0))
```

Does anyone know to use multiple conditions?

I'm using Spark 1.4.

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asked Oct 15 '15 at 14:56



in Python, shouldn't you write df["col-1"] > 0.0 and df["col-2"]>0.0 ? - Ashalynd Oct 15 '15 at 15:01

- 1 Actually no. This would lead to the following error ValueError: Cannot convert column into bool: please use '&' for 'and', '|' for 'or', '~' for 'not' when building DataFrame boolean expressions. jho Oct 15 '15 at 15:02
- 1 ah I see, then you have to use brackets I guess: (df["col-1"] > 0.0) & (df["col-2"] > 0.0), to fix the priority Ashalynd Oct 15 '15 at 15:03

That's weird. I'm pretty sure I tested this, but now it works. Thanks! :) - jho Oct 15 '15 at 15:06

1 @Ashalynd Please post it as an answer. – zero323 Oct 15 '15 at 15:19

1 Answer

Use brackets to enforce the desired operator precedence:

F.when((df["col-1"]>0.0) & (df["col-2"]>0.0), 1).otherwise(0)

edited Jul 19 at 16:35



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answered Oct 15 '15 at 19:37



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