

Master PySpark: From Zero to Big Data Hero!!

PySpark DataFrame Schema Definition

1. Defining Schema Programmatically with StructType

```
from pyspark.sql.types import *

# Define the schema using StructType
employeeSchema = StructType([
    StructField("ID", IntegerType(), True),
    StructField("Name", StringType(), True),
    StructField("Age", IntegerType(), True),
    StructField("Salary", DoubleType(), True),
    StructField("Joining_Date", StringType(), True), # Keeping as
String for date issues
    StructField("Department", StringType(), True),
    StructField("Performance_Rating", IntegerType(), True),
    StructField("Email", StringType(), True),
    StructField("Address", StringType(), True),
    StructField("Phone", StringType(), True)
])

# Load the DataFrame with the defined schema
df = spark.read.load("/FileStore/tables/employees.csv",
format="csv", header=True, schema=employeeSchema)

# Print the schema of the DataFrame
df.printSchema()

# Optionally display the DataFrame
# display(df)
```

```
root
|-- ID: integer (nullable = true)
|-- Name: string (nullable = true)
|-- Age: integer (nullable = true)
|-- Salary: double (nullable = true)
|-- Joining_Date: string (nullable = true)
|-- Department: string (nullable = true)
|-- Performance_Rating: integer (nullable = true)
|-- Email: string (nullable = true)
|-- Address: string (nullable = true)
|-- Phone: string (nullable = true)
```

2. Defining Schema as a String

```
# Define the schema as a string
```

```
employeeSchemaString = '''
```

```
ID Integer,
```

```
Name String,
```

```
Age Integer,
```

```
Salary Double,
```

```
Joining_Date String,
```

```
Department String,
```

```
Performance_Rating Integer,
```

```
Email String,
```

```
Address String,
```

```
Phone String
```

```
'''
```

```
# Load the DataFrame with the defined schema
```

```
df =
```

```
spark.read.load("dbfs:/FileStore/shared_uploads/imsvk11@gmail.com/e  
mployee_data.csv", format="csv", header=True,  
schema=employeeSchemaString)
```

```
# Print the schema of the DataFrame
```

```
df.printSchema()
```

```
# Optionally display the DataFrame
```

```
# display(df)
```

```
root
|-- ID: integer (nullable = true)
|-- Name: string (nullable = true)
|-- Age: integer (nullable = true)
|-- Salary: double (nullable = true)
|-- Joining_Date: string (nullable = true)
|-- Department: string (nullable = true)
|-- Performance_Rating: integer (nullable = true)
|-- Email: string (nullable = true)
|-- Address: string (nullable = true)
|-- Phone: string (nullable = true)
```

Explanation

- **Schema Definition:** Both methods define a schema for the DataFrame, accommodating the dataset's requirements, including handling null values where applicable.
- **Data Types:** The Joining_Date column is defined as StringType to accommodate potential date format issues or missing values.
- **Loading the DataFrame:** The spark.read.load method is used to load the CSV file into a DataFrame using the specified schema.
- **Printing the Schema:** The df.printSchema() function allows you to verify that the DataFrame is structured as intended.