

# Spark SQL

INTRODUCTION TO SPARK SQL IN PYTHON



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# Create SQL table and query it

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```

# Load a dataframe from file

```
df = spark.read.csv(filename)
```

```
df = spark.read.csv(filename, header=True)
```

# Create SQL table and query it

```
df.createOrReplaceTempView("schedule")

spark.sql("SELECT * FROM schedule WHERE station = 'San Jose'")
    .show()
```

```
+-----+-----+-----+
|train_id| station| time|
+-----+-----+-----+
|      324| San Jose| 9:05a|
|      217| San Jose| 6:59a|
+-----+-----+-----+
```

# Inspecting table schema

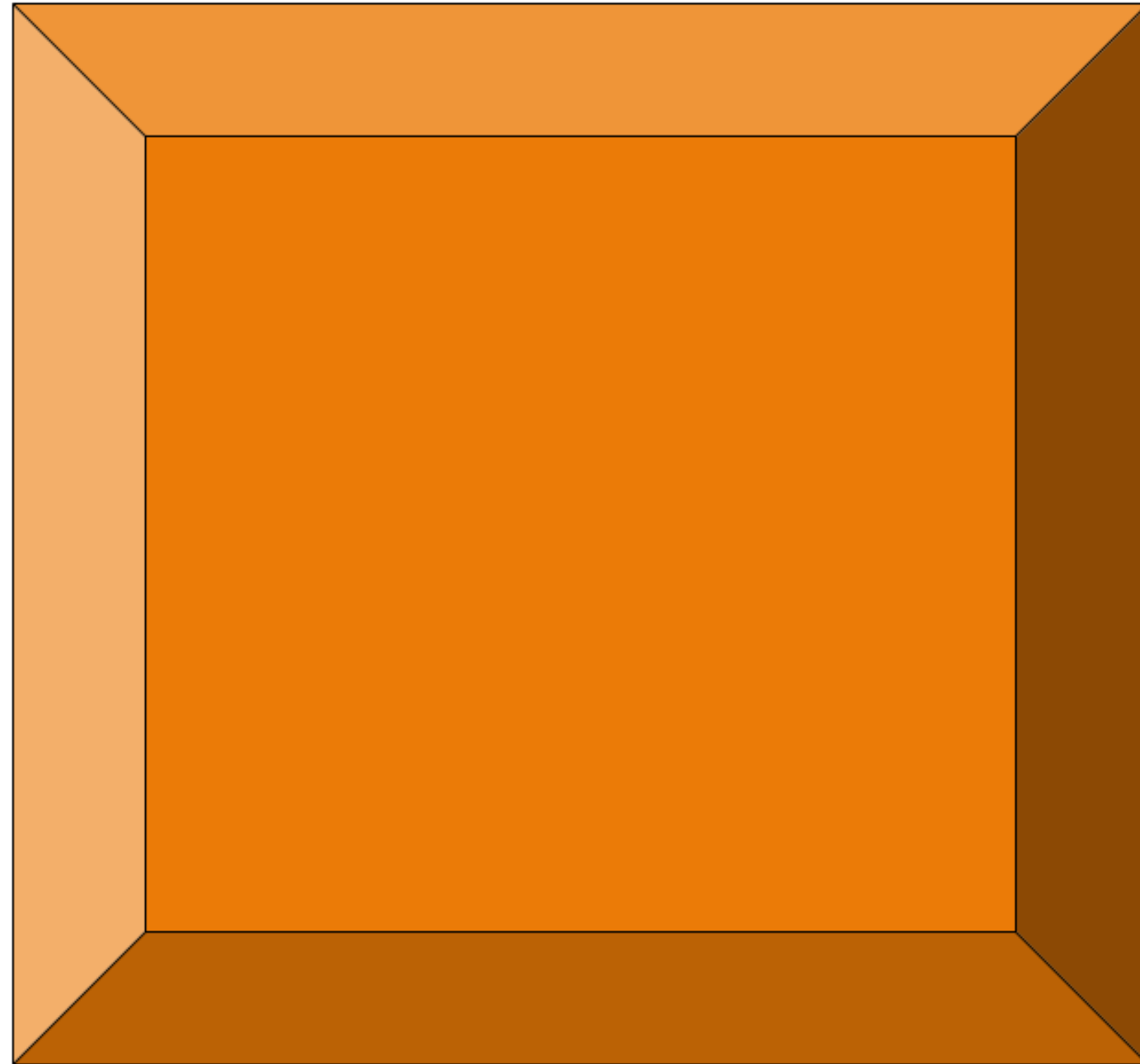
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result = spark.sql("SHOW COLUMNS FROM tablename")
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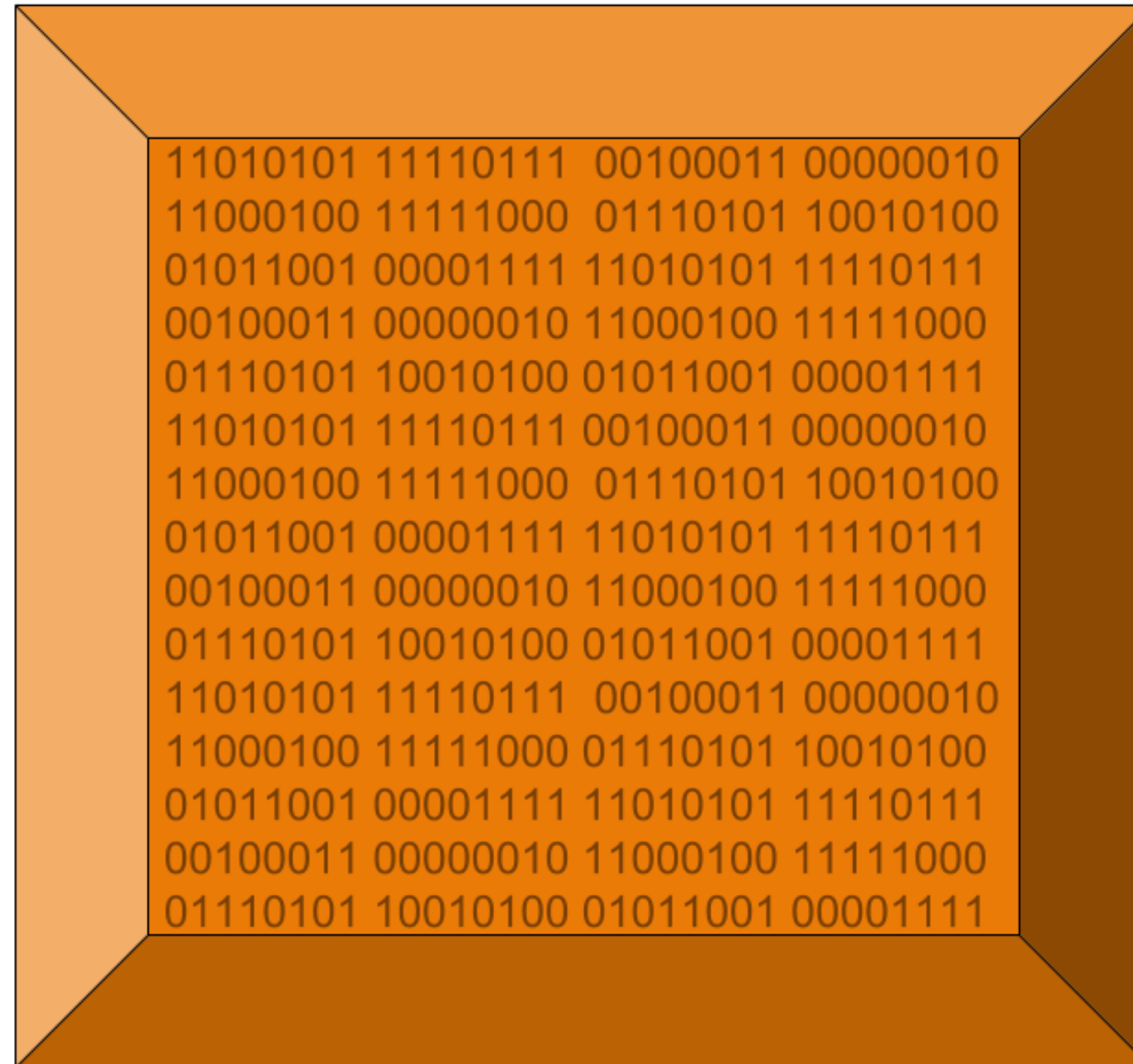
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result = spark.sql("SELECT * FROM tablename LIMIT 0")
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```
result = spark.sql("DESCRIBE tablename")
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result.show()
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```
print(result.columns)
```





# Tabular data

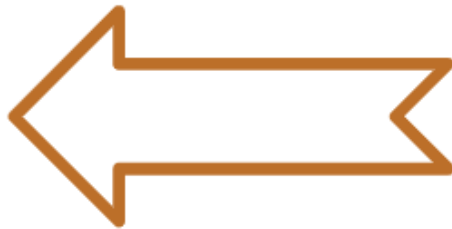
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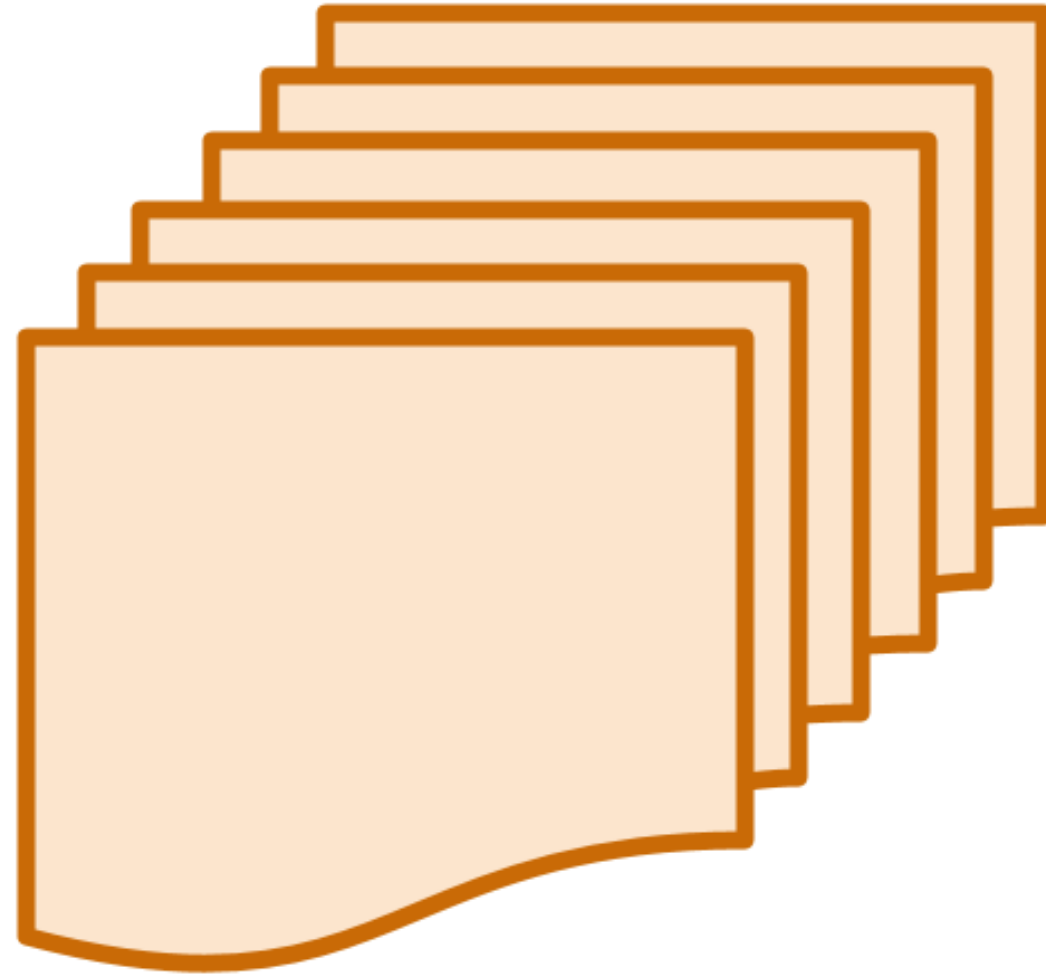
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# Structured Query Language

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SELECT train_id, time  
FROM table1  
WHERE station = 'San Jose'
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**train\_id, station, time**

# Loading delimited text

Loads a comma-delimited file `trainsched.txt` into a dataframe called `df` :

```
df = spark.read.csv("trainsched.txt", header=True)
```



# Loading delimited text

```
df = spark.read.csv("trainsched.txt", header=True)
df.show()
```

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# Window Function SQL

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# What is a Window Function SQL?

- Express operations more simply than dot notation or queries
- Each row uses the values of other rows to calculate its value



# A train schedule

train_id	station	time
324	San Francisco	7:59a
324	22nd Street	8:03a
324	Millbrae	8:16a
324	Hillsdale	8:24a
324	Redwood City	8:31a
324	Palo Alto	8:37a
324	San Jose	9:05a

# Column with time until next stop added

train_id	station	time	time_to_next_stop
324	San Francisco	7:59a	4 min
324	22nd Street	8:03a	13 min
324	Millbrae	8:16a	8 min
324	Hillsdale	8:24a	7 min
324	Redwood City	8:31a	6 min
324	Palo Alto	8:37a	28 min
324	San Jose	9:05a	null

# Column with time of next stop

train_id	station	time	time (following row)
324	San Francisco	7:59a	8:03a
324	22nd Street	8:03a	8:16a
324	Millbrae	8:16a	8:24a
324	Hillsdale	8:24a	8:31a
324	Redwood City	8:31a	8:37a
324	Palo Alto	8:37a	9:05a
324	San Jose	9:05a	null

# OVER clause and ORDER BY clause

```
query = """
SELECT train_id, station, time,
LEAD(time, 1) OVER (ORDER BY time) AS time_next
FROM sched
WHERE train_id=324 """

spark.sql(query).show()
```

```
+-----+-----+-----+-----+
|train_id|station|time|time_next|
+-----+-----+-----+-----+
|    324|San Francisco|7:59a|    8:03a|
|    324|  22nd Street|8:03a|    8:16a|
|    324|    Millbrae|8:16a|    8:24a|
|    324|    Hillsdale|8:24a|    8:31a|
|    324|Redwood City|8:31a|    8:37a|
|    324|    Palo Alto|8:37a|    9:05a|
|    324|    San Jose|9:05a|    null|
+-----+-----+-----+-----+
```

# PARTITION BY clause

```
SELECT
train_id,
station,
time,
LEAD(time,1) OVER (PARTITION BY train_id ORDER BY time) AS time_next
FROM sched
```

# Result of adding PARTITION BY clause

```
+-----+-----+-----+-----+
|train_id|      station|  time|time_next|
+-----+-----+-----+-----+
|    217|      Gilroy|6:06a|   6:15a|
|    217|   San Martin|6:15a|   6:21a|
|    217| Morgan Hill|6:21a|   6:36a|
|    217| Blossom Hill|6:36a|   6:42a|
|    217|      Capitol|6:42a|   6:50a|
|    217|      Tamien|6:50a|   6:59a|
|    217|   San Jose|6:59a|   null|
|    324|San Francisco|7:59a|   8:03a|
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+-----+-----+-----+-----+
```

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# Dot notation and SQL

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# Our table has 3 columns

```
df.columns
```

```
['train_id', 'station', 'time']
```

```
df.show(5)
```

```
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+-----+-----+-----+
```

# We only need 2

```
df.select('train_id', 'station')  
      .show(5)
```

```
+-----+-----+  
|train_id|station|  
+-----+-----+  
|      324|San Francisco|  
|      324|  22nd Street|  
|      324|    Millbrae|  
|      324|    Hillsdale|  
|      324|Redwood City|  
+-----+-----+
```

# Three ways to select 2 columns

- `df.select('train_id', 'station')`
- `df.select(df.train_id, df.station)`
- `from pyspark.sql.functions import col`
- `df.select(col('train_id'), col('station'))`

# Two ways to rename a column

```
df.select('train_id', 'station')  
  .withColumnRenamed('train_id', 'train')  
  .show(5)
```

```
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|train|      station|  
+-----+-----+  
|  324|San Francisco|  
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+-----+-----+
```

```
df.select(col('train_id').alias('train'), 'station')
```

# Don't do this!

```
df.select('train_id', df.station, col('time'))
```

# SQL queries using dot notation

```
spark.sql('SELECT train_id AS train, station FROM schedule LIMIT 5')  
    .show()
```

```
+-----+-----+  
|train|    station|  
+-----+-----+  
|  324|San Francisco|  
|  324|  22nd Street|  
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+-----+-----+
```

```
df.select(col('train_id').alias('train'), 'station')  
    .limit(5)  
    .show()
```

# Window function SQL

```
query = """
SELECT *,
ROW_NUMBER() OVER(PARTITION BY train_id ORDER BY time) AS id
FROM schedule
"""

spark.sql(query)
    .show(11)
```



# Window function SQL

```
+-----+-----+-----+---+
|train_id|      station|  time| id|
+-----+-----+-----+---+
|    217|      Gilroy|6:06a|  1|
|    217|  San Martin|6:15a|  2|
|    217| Morgan Hill|6:21a|  3|
|    217| Blossom Hill|6:36a|  4|
|    217|      Capitol|6:42a|  5|
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```

# Window function using dot notation

```
from pyspark.sql import Window,  
from pyspark.sql.functions import row_number  
df.withColumn("id", row_number()  
                .over(  
                    Window.partitionBy('train_id')  
                        .orderBy('time')  
                )  
    )
```

- ROW\_NUMBER in SQL: `pyspark.sql.functions.row_number`
- The inside of the OVER clause: `pyspark.sql.Window`
- PARTITION BY: `pyspark.sql.Window.partitionBy`
- ORDER BY: `pyspark.sql.Window.orderBy`

# Using a WindowSpec

- The `over` function in Spark SQL corresponds to a `OVER` clause in SQL.
- The class `pyspark.sql.window.Window` represents the inside of an `OVER` clause.

```
window = Window.partitionBy('train_id').orderBy('time')  
dfx = df.withColumn('next', lead('time', 1).over(window))
```

- Above, `type(window)` is `pyspark.sql.window.WindowSpec`

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