

Unified Data Access with Spark SQL

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Spark SQL Components

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Catalyst Optimizer

- Relational algebra + expressions
- Query optimization

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- Spark SQL Core
 - Execution of queries as RDDs
 - Reading in Parquet, JSON ...

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- Hive Support
 - HQL, MetaStore, SerDes, UDFs



Relationship to SHARK

Shark modified the Hive backend to run over Spark, but had two challenges:

- » Limited integration with Spark programs
- » Hive optimizer not designed for Spark

Spark SQL reuses the best parts of Shark:

Borrows

- Hive data loading
- In-memory column store

Adds

- RDD-aware optimizer
- Rich language interfaces



Migration from SHARK

Ending active development of Shark

Path forward for current users:

- Spark SQL to support CLI and JDBC/ODBC
- Preview release compatible with 1.0
- Full version to be included in 1.1

https://github.com/apache/spark/tree/branch-1.0-jdbc



Migration from SHARK

To start the JDBC server, run the following in the Spark directory:

./sbin/start-thriftserver.sh

The default port the server listens on is 10000. Now you can use beeline to test the Thrift JDBC server:

./bin/beeline

Connect to the JDBC server in beeline with: beeline > !connect jdbc:hive2://localhost:10000

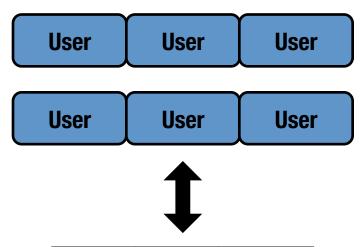
*Requires: https://github.com/apache/spark/tree/branch-1.0-jdbc



Adding Schema to RDDs

Spark + RDDs

Functional transformations on partitioned collections of **opaque** objects.



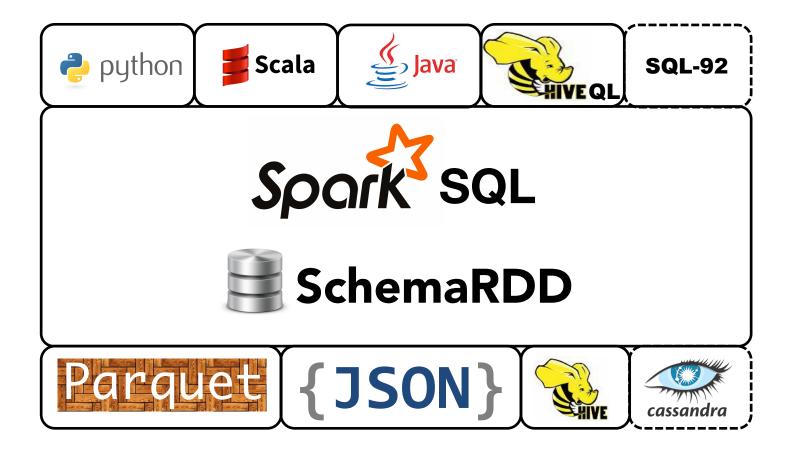
SQL + SchemaRDDs

Declarative transformations on partitioned collections of **tuples.**

Name	Age	Height
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Unified Data Abstraction





Using Spark SQL

SQLContext

- Entry point for all SQL functionality
- Wraps/extends existing spark context

```
from pyspark.sql import SQLContext
sqlCtx = SQLContext(sc)
```



Example Dataset

A text file filled with people's names and ages:

Michael, 30

Andy, 31

Justin Bieber, 19

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RDDs into Relations (Python)

```
# Load a text file and convert each line to a dictionary.
lines = sc.textFile("examples/.../people.txt")

parts = lines.map(lambda l: l.split(","))
people = parts.map(lambda p:{"name": p[0],"age": int(p[1])})

# Infer the schema, and register the SchemaRDD as a table
peopleTable = sqlCtx.inferSchema(people)
peopleTable.registerAsTable("people")
```



RDDs into Relations (Scala)

```
val sqlContext = new org.apache.spark.sql.SQLContext(sc)
import sqlContext.
// Define the schema using a case class.
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))
people.registerAsTable("people")
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```

RDDs into Relations (Java)

```
public class Person implements Serializable {
 private String name;
 private int age;
 public String getName() { return _name; }
 public void setName(String name) {  name = name; }
 public int getAge() { return age; }
 public void setAge(int age) { _age = age; }
JavaSQLContext ctx = new org.apache.spark.sql.api.java.JavaSQLContext(sc)
JavaRDD<Person> people = ctx.textFile("examples/src/main/resources/
people.txt").map(
 new Function<String, Person>() {
    public Person call(String line) throws Exception {
      String[] parts = line.split(",");
      Person person = new Person();
      person.setName(parts[0]);
      person.setAge(Integer.parseInt(parts[1].trim()));
     return person;
 });
JavaSchemaRDD schemaPeople = sqlCtx.applySchema(people, Person.class);
```



Querying Using SQL

```
# SQL can be run over SchemaRDDs that have been registered
# as a table.
teenagers = sqlCtx.sql("""
    SELECT name FROM people WHERE age >= 13 AND age <= 19""")
# The results of SQL queries are RDDs and support all the normal
# RDD operations.
teenNames = teenagers.map(lambda p: "Name: " + p.name)</pre>
```



Caching Tables In-Memory

Spark SQL can cache tables using an inmemory columnar format:

- Scan only required columns
- Fewer allocated objects (less GC)
- Automatically selects best compression

cacheTable("people")



Language Integrated UDFs

```
registerFunction("countMatches",
  lambda (pattern, text):
    re.subn(pattern, '', text)[1])
sql("SELECT countMatches('a', text)...")
```



SQL and Machine Learning

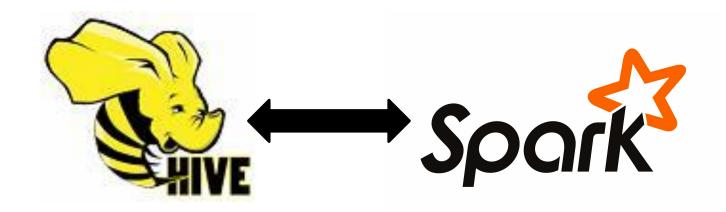
```
training_data_table = sql("""
  SELECT e.action, u.age, u.latitude, u.logitude
    FROM Users u
    JOIN Events e ON u.userId = e.userId""")
def featurize(u):
   LabeledPoint(u.action, [u.age, u.latitude, u.longitude])
// SQL results are RDDs so can be used directly in Mllib.
training_data = training_data_table.map(featurize)
model = new LogisticRegressionWithSGD.train(training data)
```



Hive Compatibility

Interfaces to access data and code in the Hive ecosystem:

- Support for writing queries in HQL
- Catalog info from Hive MetaStore
- Tablescan operator that uses Hive SerDes
- Wrappers for Hive UDFs, UDAFs, UDTFs





Reading Data Stored in Hive

```
from pyspark.sql import HiveContext
hiveCtx = HiveContext(sc)

hiveCtx.hql("""
    CREATE TABLE IF NOT EXISTS src (key INT, value STRING)""")

hiveCtx.hql("""
    LOAD DATA LOCAL INPATH 'examples/.../kv1.txt' INTO TABLE src""")

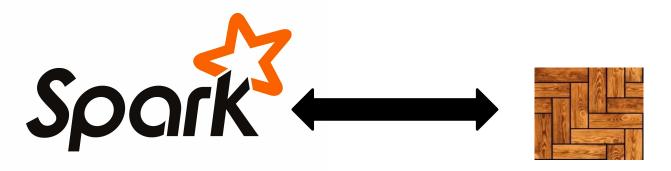
# Queries can be expressed in HiveQL.
results = hiveCtx.hql("FROM src SELECT key, value").collect()
```



Parquet Compatibility

Native support for reading data in Parquet:

- Columnar storage avoids reading unneeded data.
- RDDs can be written to parquet files, preserving the schema.





Using Parquet

```
# SchemaRDDs can be saved as Parquet files, maintaining the
# schema information.
peopleTable.saveAsParquetFile("people.parquet")

# Read in the Parquet file created above. Parquet files are
# self-describing so the schema is preserved. The result of
# loading a parquet file is also a SchemaRDD.
parquetFile = sqlCtx.parquetFile("people.parquet")

# Parquet files can be registered as tables used in SQL.
parquetFile.registerAsTable("parquetFile")
teenagers = sqlCtx.sql("""
    SELECT name FROM parquetFile WHERE age >= 13 AND age <= 19""")</pre>
```



Features Slated for 1.1

- Code generation
- Language integrated UDFs
- Auto-selection of Broadcast (map-side)
 Join
- JSON and nested parquet support
- Many other performance / stability improvements



Preview: TPC-DS Results

