Deep Dive Into Catalyst: Apache Spark 2.0's Optimizer

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Write Programs Using RDD API

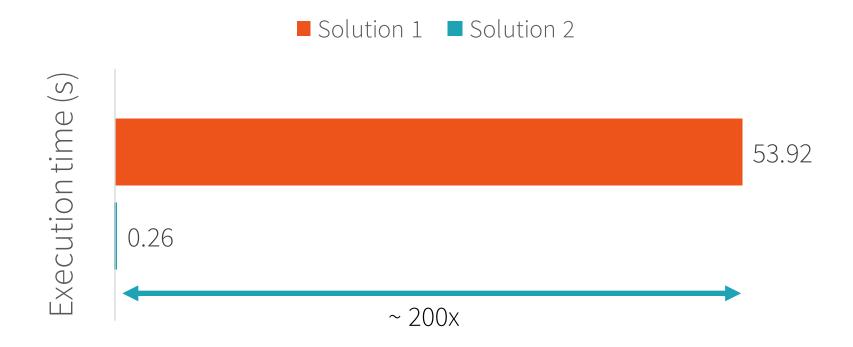
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Write Programs Using RDD API

- Users' functions are black boxes
 - Opaque computation
 - Opaque data type
- Programs built using RDD API have total control on how to execute every data operation
- Developers have to write efficient programs for different kinds of workloads



Is there an easy way to write efficient programs?

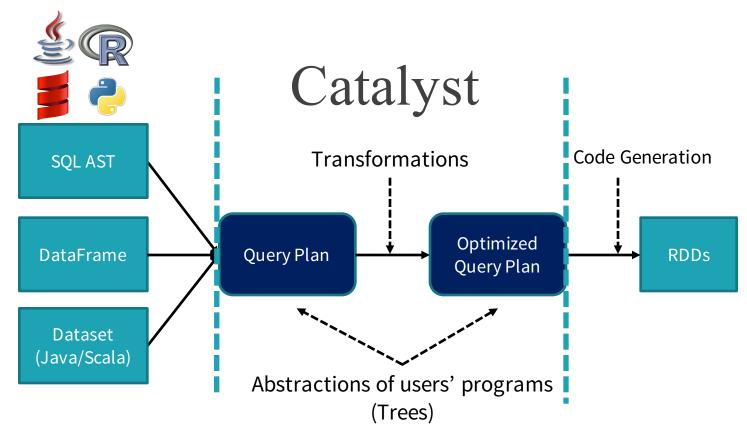
The easiest way to write efficient programs is to not worry about it and get your programs automatically optimized

How?

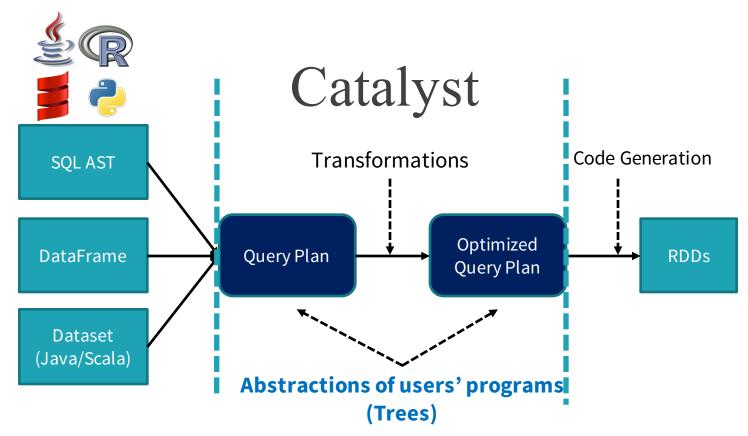
- Write programs using high level programming interfaces
 - Programs are used to describe what data operations are needed without specifying how to execute those operations
 - High level programming interfaces: SQL, DataFrame, and Dataset
- Get an optimizer that **automatically** finds out the most efficient plan to execute data operations specified in the user's program

Catalyst: Apache Spark's Optimizer

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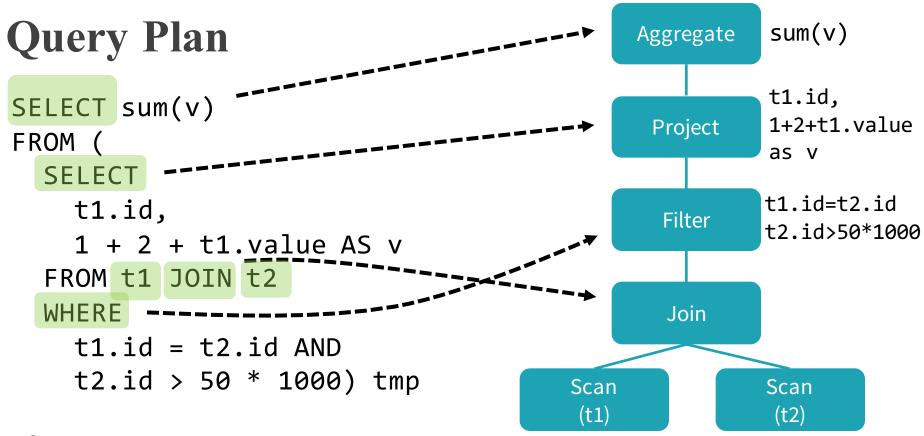
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SELECT sum(v)
FROM (
    SELECT
         t1.id,
         1 + 2 + t1.value AS v
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Trees: Abstractions of Users' Programs

Expression

- An expression represents a new value, computed based on input values
 - e.g. 1 + 2 + t1.value
- Attribute: A column of a dataset (e.g. t1.id) or a column generated by a specific data operation (e.g. v)

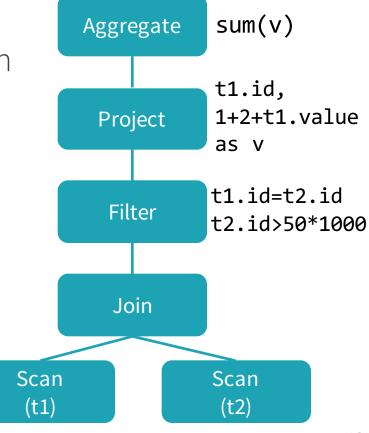
Trees: Abstractions of Users' Programs



Logical Plan

- A Logical Plan describes computation on datasets without defining how to conduct the computation
- output: a list of attributes generated by this Logical Plan, e.g. [id, v]
- constraints: a set of invariants about the rows generated by this plan, e.g.

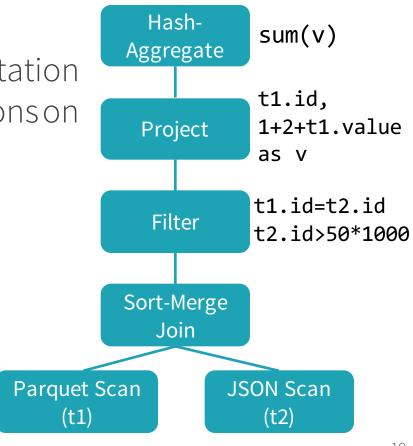
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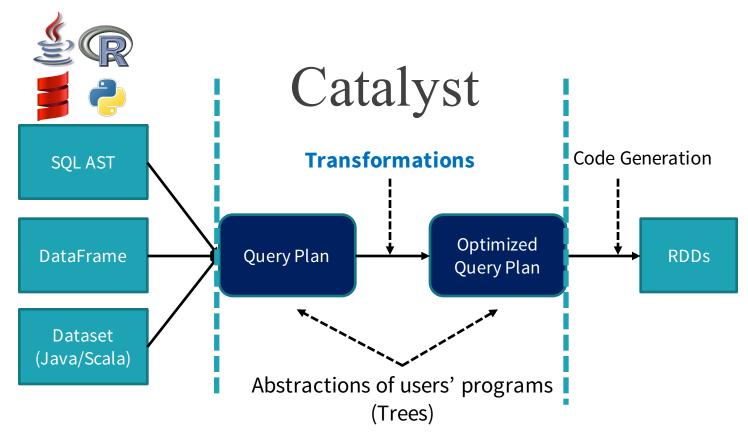
Physical Plan

 A Physical Plan describes computation on datasets with specific definitions on how to conduct the computation

A Physical Plan is executable



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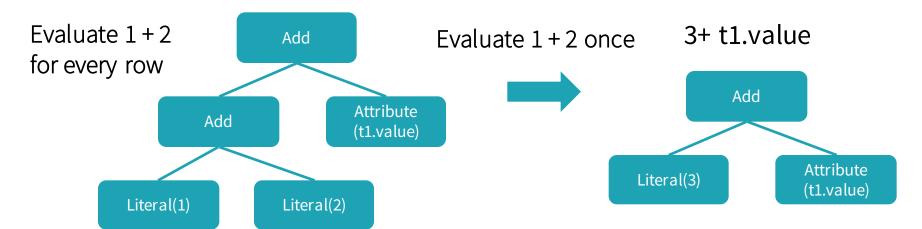
Transformations

- Transformations without changing the tree type (Transform and Rule Executor)
 - Expression => Expression
 - Logical Plan => Logical Plan
 - Physical Plan => Physical Plan
- Transforming a tree to another kind of tree
 - Logical Plan => Physical Plan



• A function associated with every tree used to implement a single rule

1 + 2 + t1.value



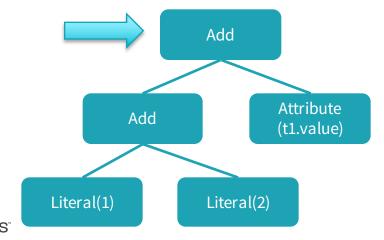
- A transformation is defined as a Partial Function
- Partial Function: A function that is defined for a subset of its possible arguments

```
val expression: Expression = ...
expression.transform {
   case Add(Literal(x, IntegerType), Literal(y, IntegerType)) =>
     Literal(x + y)
}
```

Case statement determine if the partial function is defined for a given input

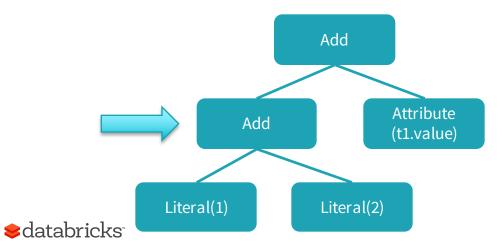
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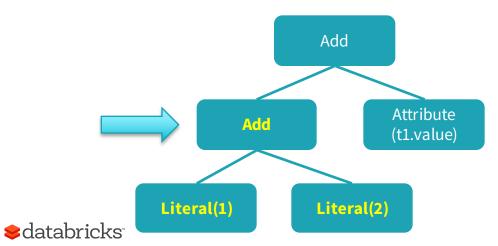
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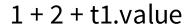


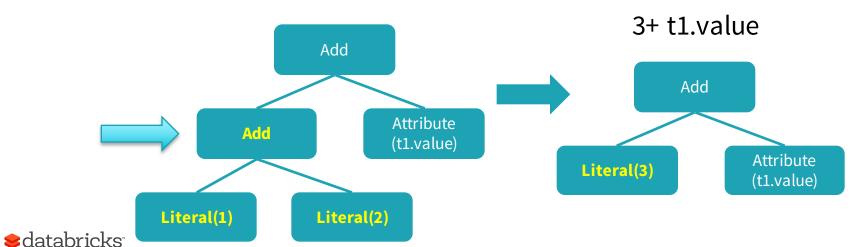
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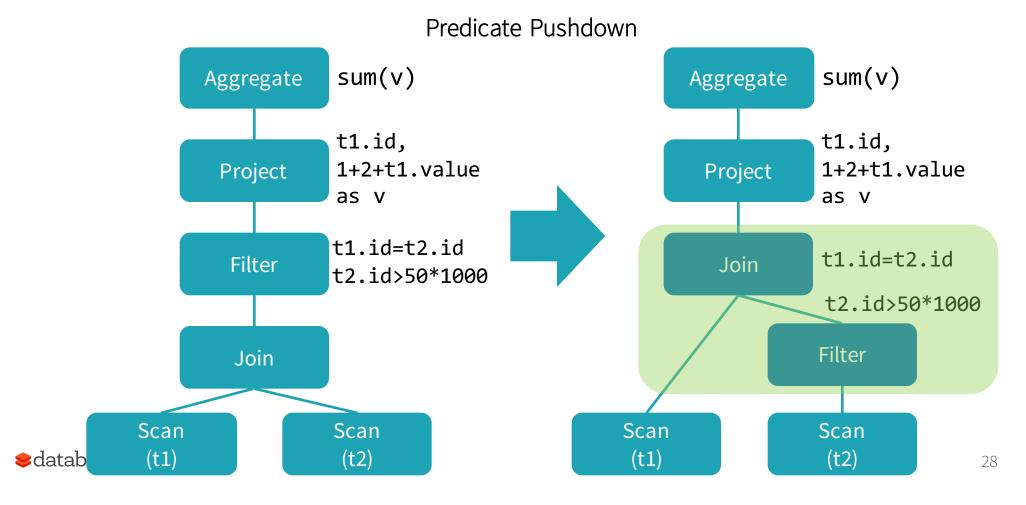


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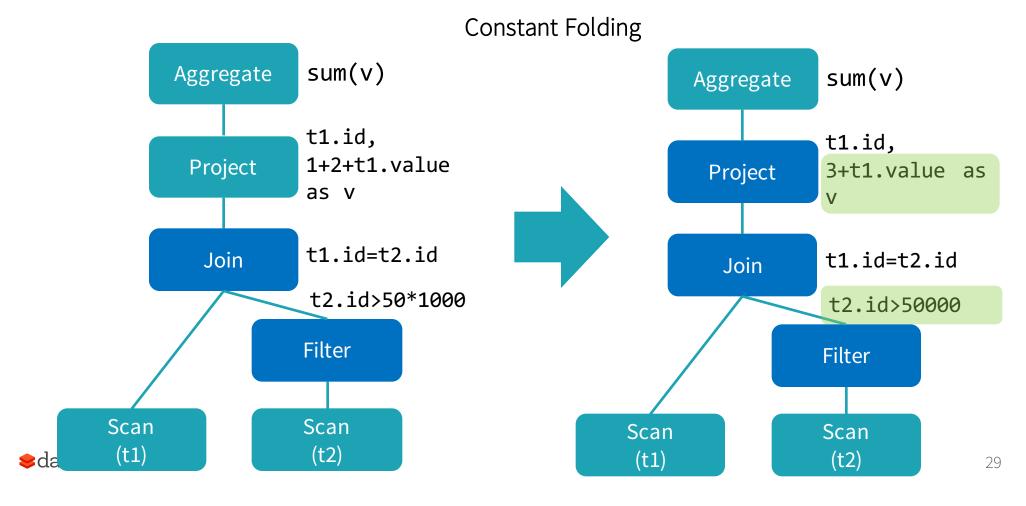


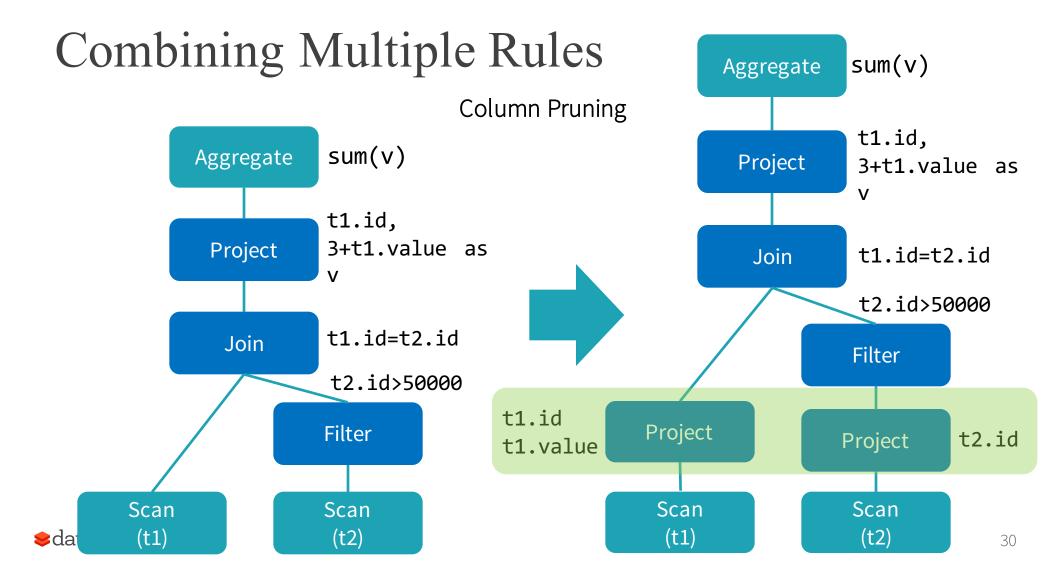


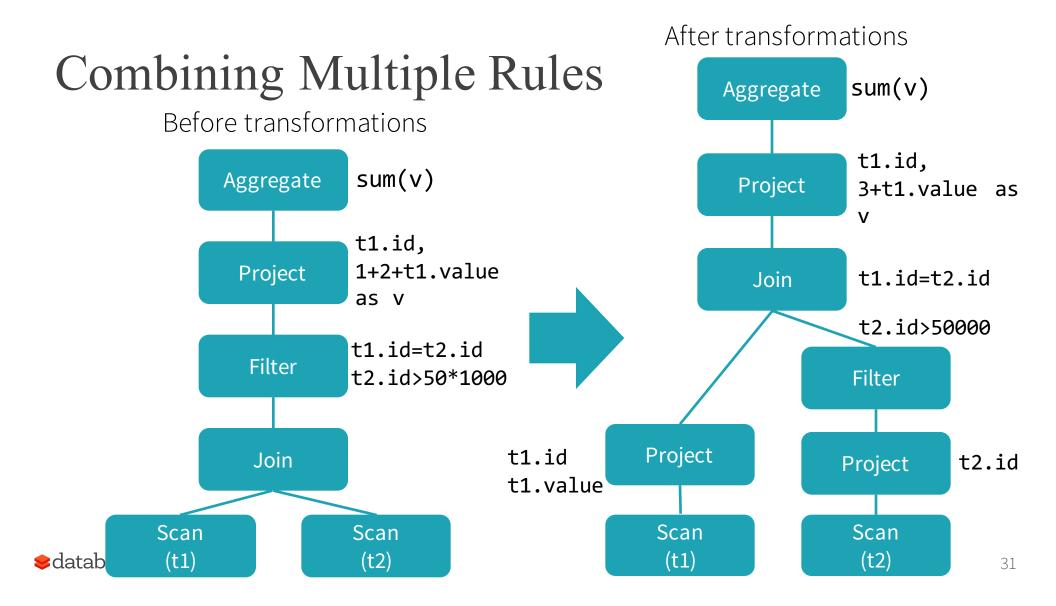
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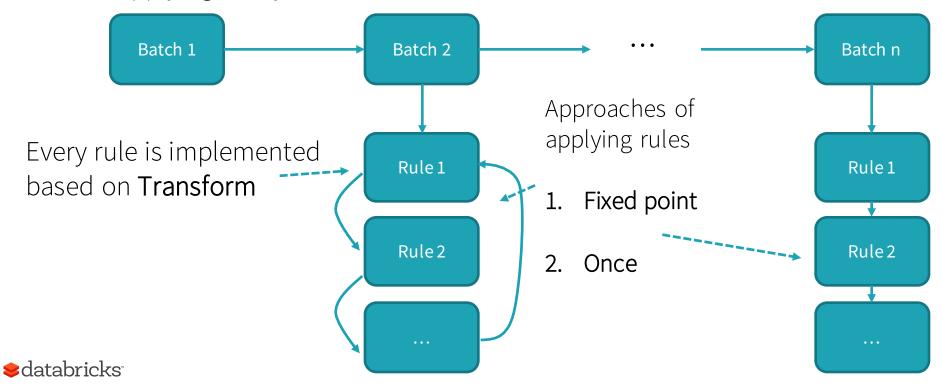






Combining Multiple Rules: Rule Executor

A Rule Executor transforms a Tree to another same type Tree by applying many rules defined in batches



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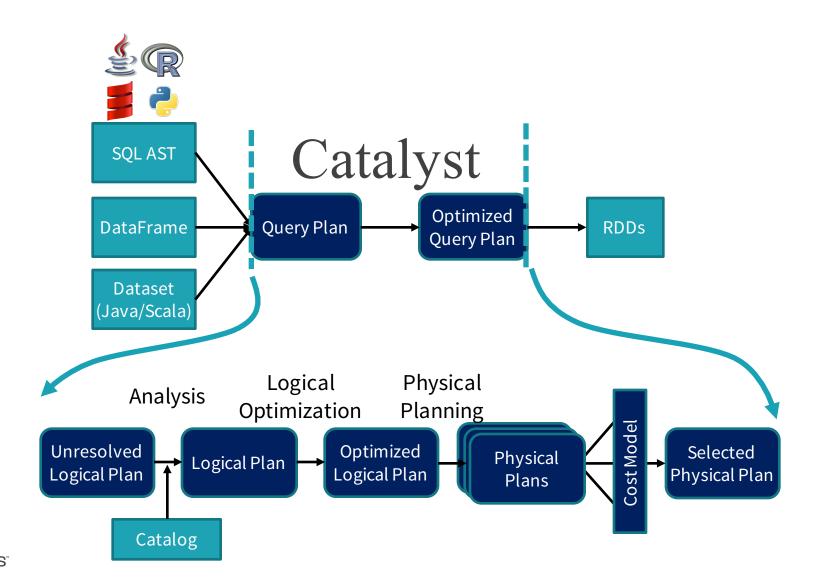
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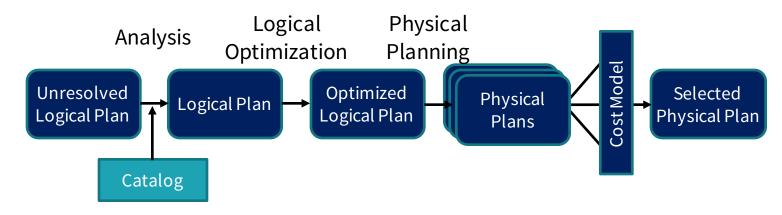


From Logical Plan to Physical Plan

- A Logical Plan is transformed to a Physical Plan by applying a set of Strategies
- Every Strategy uses pattern matching to convert a Tree to another kind of Tree

```
object BasicOperators extends Strategy {
  def apply(plan: LogicalPlan): Seq[SparkPlan] = plan match {
    ...
    case logical.Project(projectList, child) =>
        execution.ProjectExec(projectList, planLater(child)) :: Nil
    case logical.Filter(condition, child) =>
        execution.FilterExec(condition, planLater(child)) :: Nil
    ...
}
Triggers other Strategies
```



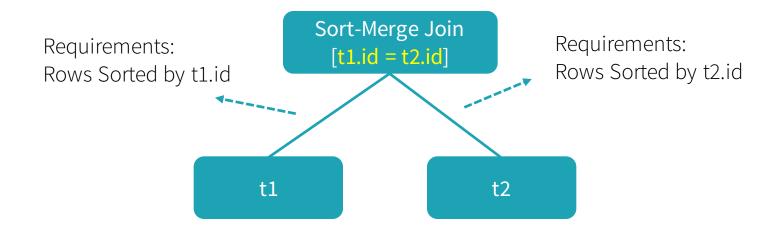


- Analysis (Rule Executor): Transforms an Unresolved Logical Plan to a Resolved Logical Plan
 - Unresolved => Resolved: Use Catalog to find where datasets and columns are coming from and types of columns
- Logical Optimization (Rule Executor): Transforms a Resolved Logical Plan to an Optimized Logical Plan
- Physical Planning (Strategies + Rule Executor): Transforms a Optimized Logical Plan to a Physical Plan

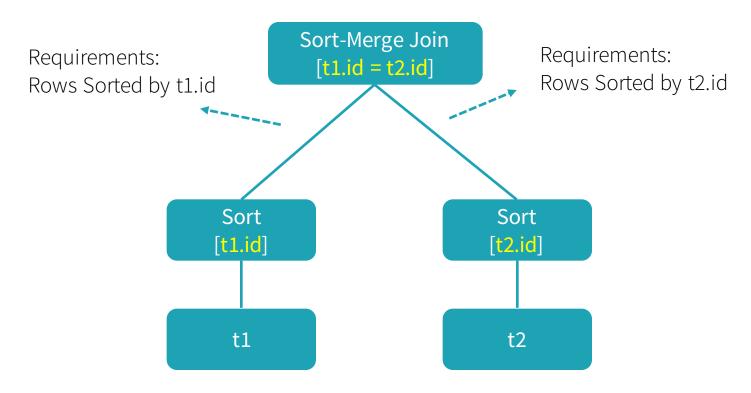
Spark's Planner

- 1st Phase: Transforms the Logical Plan to the Physical Plan using Strategies
- 2nd Phase: Use a Rule Executor to make the Physical Plan ready for execution
 - Prepare Scalar sub-queries
 - Ensure requirements on input rows
 - Apply physical optimizations

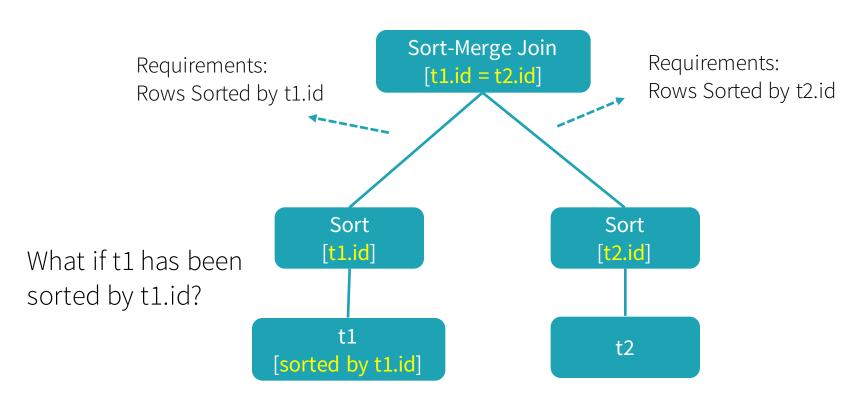




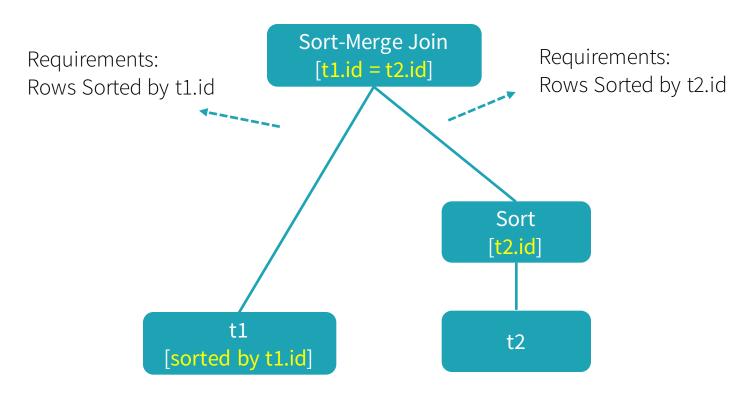




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Catalyst in Apache Spark



With Spark 2.0, we expect most users to migrate to high level APIs (SQL, DataFrame, and Dataset)

ML Pipelines

Structured Streaming

GraphFrames

Spark SQL DataFrame/Dataset

Catalyst

Spark Core (RDD)



















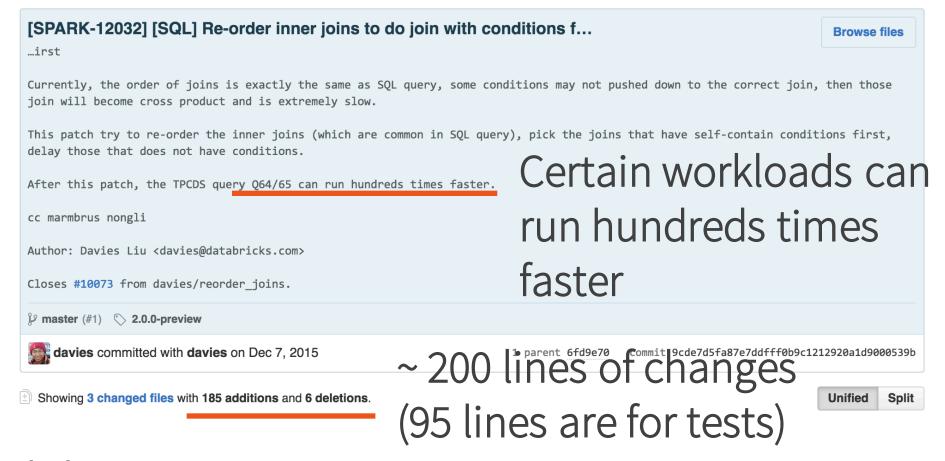
elasticsearch. and more...



Where to Start

- Source Code:
 - Trees: <u>TreeNode</u>, <u>Expression</u>, <u>Logical Plan</u>, and <u>Physical Plan</u>
 - Transformations: <u>Analyzer</u>, <u>Optimizer</u>, and <u>Planner</u>
- Check out previous pull requests
- Start to write code using Catalyst

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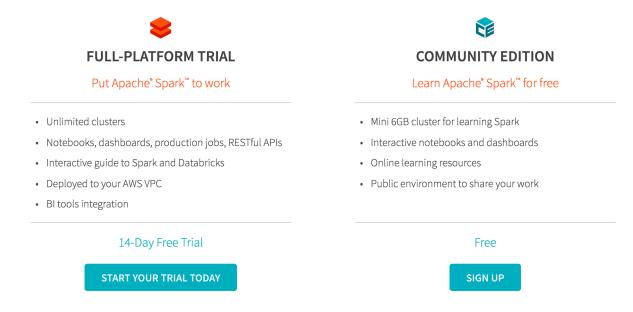
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Thank you.

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