

# Query Plans

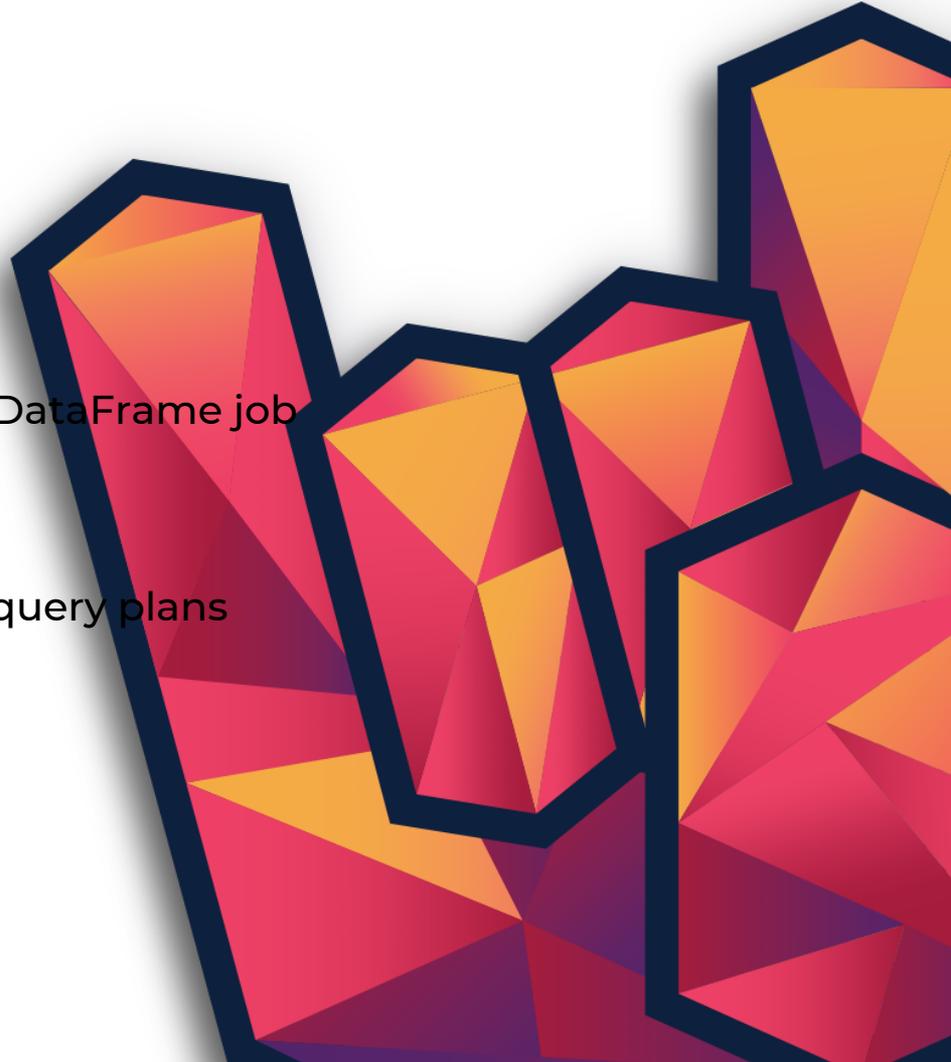


# Objective

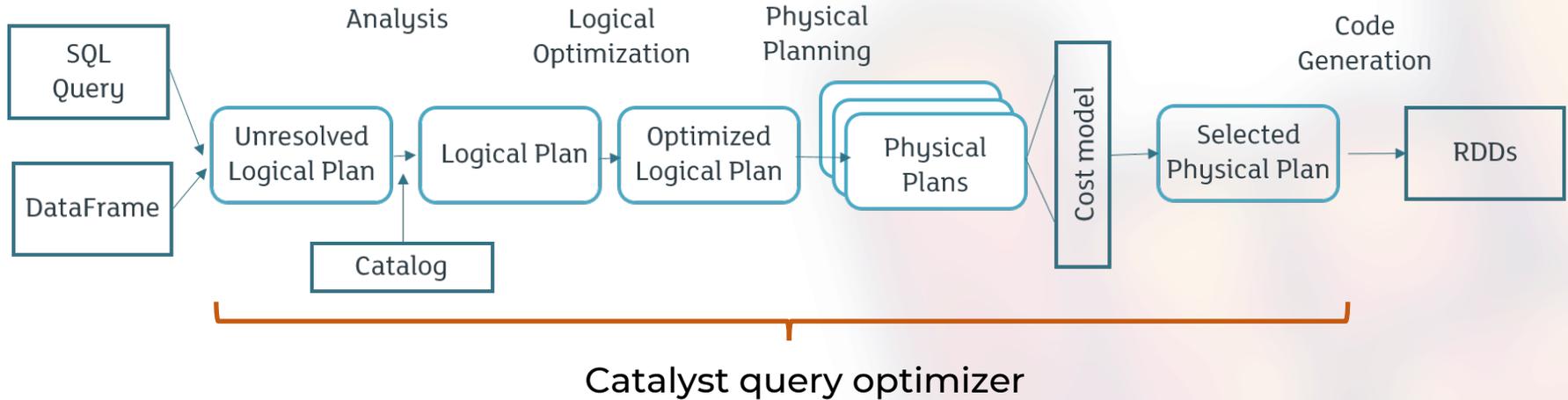
Understand how Spark "compiles" a SQL/DataFrame job

Read query plans

(later) Predict job performance based on query plans



# How a SQL Job Runs



## When you run a SQL job

- Spark knows the DF dependencies in advance – unresolved logical transformation plan
- Catalyst resolves references and expression types – resolved logical plan
- Catalyst compresses and pattern matches on the plan tree – optimized logical plan
- Catalyst generates physical execution plans

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Preparation for join:  
a shuffle and a sort

(why?)

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← keeps only one of the  
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sum:

- sum per partition
- shuffle (bring partial results)
- sum all

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How many stages?

How many shuffles?

In which order?

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Spark can further optimize how the jobs are actually executed!

# Exercises

Look at the query plans and try to understand what I've done in code!

Plan 1:

```
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*(1) Project [firstName#153, lastName#155, (cast(salary#159 as double) / 1.1) AS salary_EUR#168]
+- *(1) FileScan csv [firstName#153,lastName#155,salary#159] Batched: false, Format: CSV, Location:
InMemoryFileIndex[file:/tmp/employees_headers.csv], PartitionFilters: [], PushedFilters: [], ReadSchema:
struct<firstName:string,lastName:string,salary:string>
```

Pause the video!

```
val employeesDF = spark.read.option("header", true).csv("/tmp/employees_headers.csv")
val empEur = employeesDF.selectExpr("firstName", "lastName", "salary / 1.1 as salary_EUR")
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Plan 2:

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*(2) HashAggregate(keys=[dept#156], functions=[avg(cast(salary#181 as bigint))])
+- Exchange hashpartitioning(dept#156, 200)
   +- *(1) HashAggregate(keys=[dept#156], functions=[partial_avg(cast(salary#181 as bigint))])
      +- *(1) Project [dept#156, cast(salary#159 as int) AS salary#181]
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struct<dept:string,salary:string>
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```
val avgSals = employeesDF
  .selectExpr("dept", "cast(salary as int) as salary")
  .groupBy("dept")
  .avg("salary")
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   :     +- *(1) Range (1, 10000000, step=3, splits=6)
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val ds2 = spark.range(1, 10000000, 5)
val j1 = ds1.join(ds2, "id")
```

# Query Plans

## A query plan

- describes all the operations Spark will execute when the action is triggered
- has information about partitioning scheme
- has information about the number of partitions in advance
- shows job stages
- is shown by `dataFrame.explain()`

## Explain (true) will give

- the parsed logical plan
- the analyzed logical plan
- the optimized logical plan (via Catalyst)
- the physical execution plan (generated by Catalyst)

Spark works like a compiler

# To Remember

Query plans = layout of Spark computations (before they run)

Whenever you see "exchange", that's a shuffle

Number of shuffles = number of stages

Number of tasks = number of partitions of each intermediate DF

Sometimes Spark already optimizes some plans!

**Spark rocks**

