

Conformal Prediction in Spark

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Why Apache Spark?

Apache Spark is the most active open source large-scale data processing engine

1000+ contributors from over 250 organizations

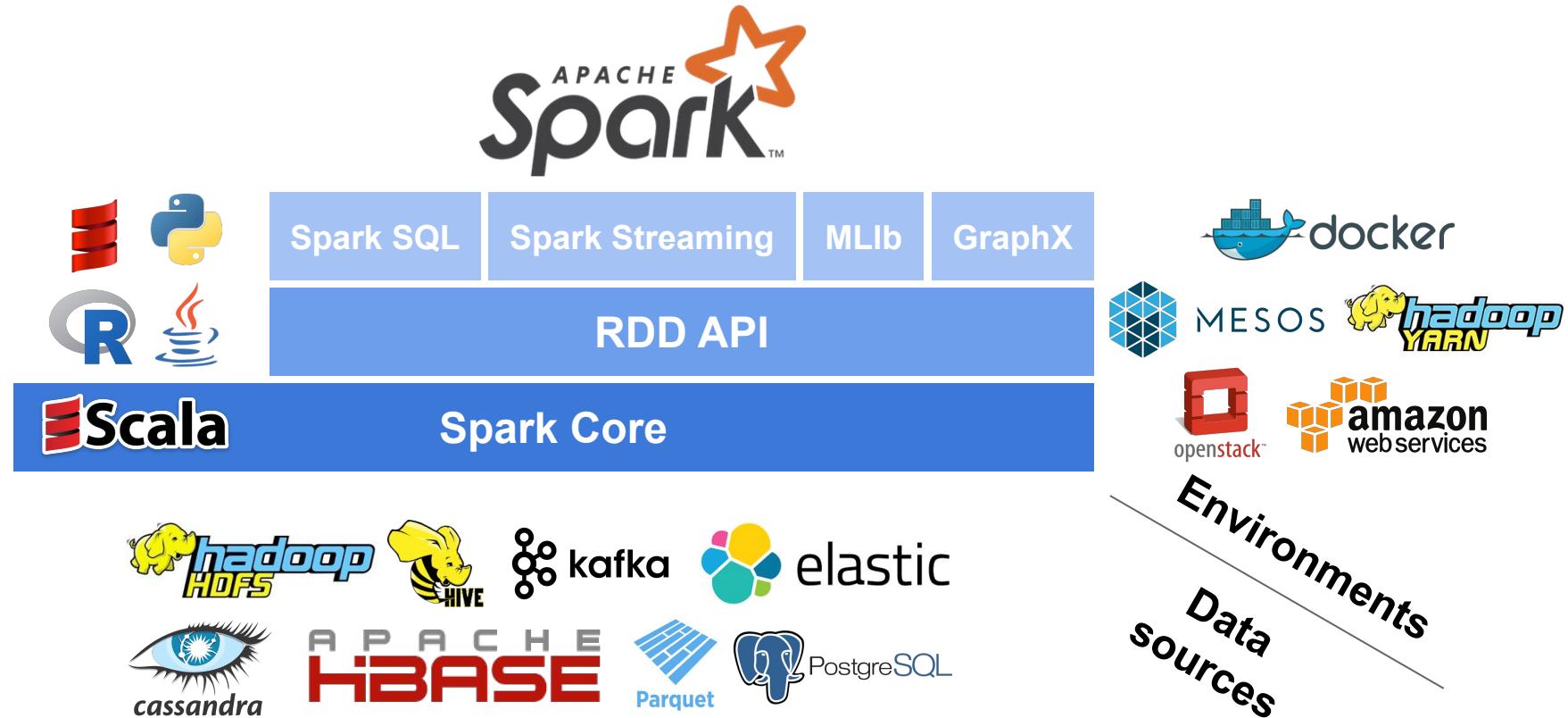
Originally born to overcome MapReduce **lack of dataset caching**

Spark: Cluster Computing with Working Sets, Zaharia et al. (2010)

It allows for **interactive analysis**



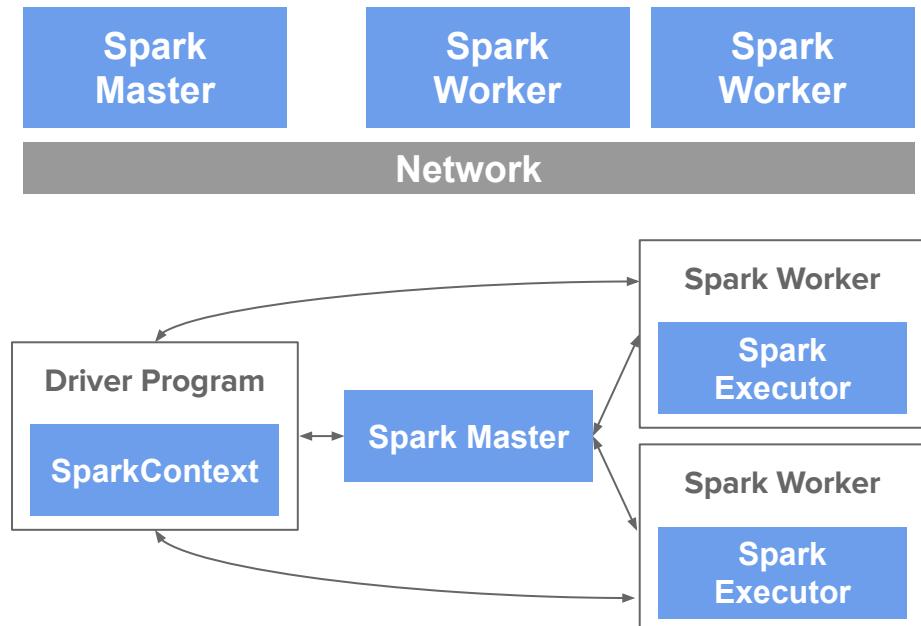
A unified computing engine



Apache Spark architecture (1)

Standalone cluster mode

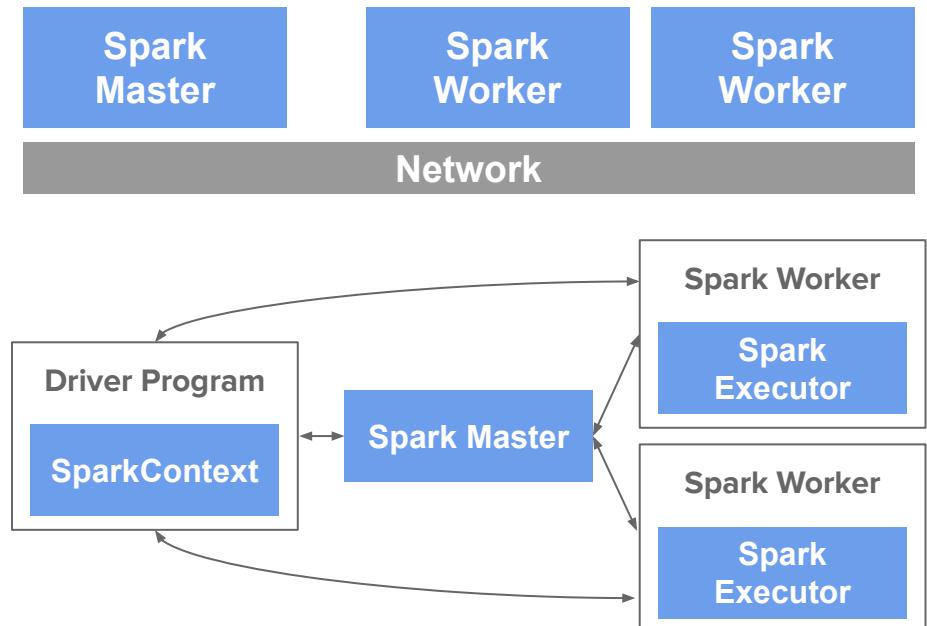
- **Spark Master:** it acts as a *cluster manager*, it maintains the *workers quorum* and it *manages the resources*
- **Spark Worker:** it receive instructions from the *Spark Master*, it launches *Spark Executors*



Apache Spark architecture (2)

Execution model

- **Driver Program:** it is the program written by the Spark developer. It allocates a **SparkContext**, which is a conduit to access all of the Spark's functionalities
- **Spark Executor:** a container with an allocated amount of *cores* and *memory*. It executes *Tasks* and it stores *Data Partitions*



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