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Databricks Feature Store

Python API

Databricks FeatureStoreClients

Bases: **object**

Client for interacting with the Databricks Feature Store.

```
create_feature_table(name: str, keys: Union[str, List[str]], features_df:
pyspark.sql.dataframe.DataFrame = None, schema: pyspark.sql.types.StructType = None,
partition_columns: Union[str, List[str]] = None, description: str = None, timestamp_keys:
Union[str, List[str]] = None, **kwargs) →
databricks.feature_store.entities.feature_table.FeatureTable
```

Create and return a feature table with the given name and primary keys.

The returned feature table has the given name and primary keys. Uses the provided **schema** or the inferred schema of the provided **features_df**. If **features_df** is provided, this data will be saved in a Delta table. Supported data types for features are: **IntegerType**, **LongType**, **FloatType**, **DoubleType**, **StringType**, **BooleanType**, **DateType**, **TimestampType**, **ShortType**, **ArrayType**, **MapType**, and **BinaryType**, and **DecimalType**.

Parameters: • name – A feature table name of the form

<database_name>.<table_name>, for example dev.user_features.

- keys The primary keys. If multiple columns are required, specify a list of column names, for example ['customer_id', 'region'].
- features_df Data to insert into this feature table. The schema of features df will be used as the feature table schema.
- schema Feature table schema. Either schema or features_df must be provided.
- partition_columns -

Columns used to partition the feature table. If a list is provided, column ordering in the list will be used for partitioning.

Note

When choosing partition columns for your feature table, use columns that do not have a high cardinality. An ideal strategy would be such that you expect data in each partition to be at least 1 GB. The most commonly used partition column is a **date**.

Additional info: Choosing the right partition columns for Delta tables

- **description** Description of the feature table.
- timestamp_keys -

The keys used for point-in-time lookups on the feature table.

Note

Experimental: This argument may change or be removed in a future release without warning.

Other Parameters:

• **path** (**Optional**[**str**]) – Path in a supported filesystem. Defaults to the database location.

get_feature_table(*name: str*) → databricks.feature_store.entities.feature_table.FeatureTable

Get a feature table's metadata.

Parameters: name – A feature table name of the form **<database_name>.<table_name>**, for example **dev.user_features**.

read_table(*name: str*, *as_of_delta_timestamp: str = None*) → pyspark.sql.dataframe.DataFrame

Read the contents of a feature table.

Parameters: • name – A feature table name of the form

<database_name>.<table_name>, for example dev.user_features.

as_of_delta_timestamp – If provided, reads the feature table as of this time. Only date or timestamp strings are accepted. For example,
 "2019-01-01" and "2019-01-01T00:00:00.000z".

Returns: The feature table contents, or **None** if the feature table does not exist.

Writes to a feature table.

If the input **DataFrame** is streaming, will create a write stream.

Parameters: • name – A feature table name of the form

<database_name>.<table_name>, for example dev.user_features.
Raises an exception if this feature table does not exist.

- df Spark DataFrame with feature data. Raises an exception if the schema does not match that of the feature table.
- mode Two supported write modes:
 - **"overwrite**" updates the whole table.
 - "merge" will upsert the rows in df into the feature table. If df contains columns not present in the feature table, these columns will be added as new features.
- checkpoint_location Sets the Structured Streaming
 checkpointLocation option. By setting a checkpoint_location,
 Spark Structured Streaming will store progress information and
 intermediate state, enabling recovery after failures. This parameter is only
 supported when the argument df is a streaming DataFrame.
- trigger If df.isStreaming, trigger defines the timing of stream data processing, the dictionary will be unpacked and passed to
 DataStreamWriter.trigger as arguments. For example,
 trigger={ 'once': True} will result in a call to
 DataStreamWriter.trigger(once=True).

Returns: If **df.isStreaming**, returns a PySpark **StreamingQuery**. **None** otherwise.

publish_table(name: str, online_store:

databricks.feature_store.online_store_spec.online_store_spec.OnlineStoreSpec, filter_condition: str = None, mode: str = 'merge', streaming: bool = False, checkpoint_location: Optional[str] = None, trigger: Dict[str, Any] = {'processingTime': '5 minutes'}) → Optional[pyspark.sql.streaming.StreamingQuery]

Publish a feature table to an online store.

Parameters: • name – Name of the feature table.

- **online_store** Specification of the online store.
- **filter_condition** A SQL expression using feature table columns that filters feature rows prior to publishing to the online store. For example,

"dt > '2020-09-10'". This is analogous to running df.filter or a

WHERE condition in SQL on a feature table prior to publishing.

• mode –

Specifies the behavior when data already exists in this feature table in the online store. If "overwrite" mode is used, existing data is replaced by the new data. If "merge" mode is used, the new data will be merged in, under these conditions:

- If a key exists in the online table but not the offline table, the row in the online table is unmodified.
- If a key exists in the offline table but not the online table, the offline table row is inserted into the online table.
- If a key exists in both the offline and the online tables, the online table row will be updated.
- **streaming** If **True**, streams data to the online store.
- checkpoint_location Sets the Structured Streaming
 checkpointLocation option. By setting a checkpoint_location,
 Spark Structured Streaming will store progress information and
 intermediate state, enabling recovery after failures. This parameter is only
 supported when streaming=True.
- trigger If streaming=True, trigger defines the timing of stream data processing. The dictionary will be unpacked and passed to DataStreamWriter.trigger as arguments. For example, trigger={'once': True} will result in a call to DataStreamWriter.trigger(once=True).

Returns: If **streaming=True**, returns a PySpark **StreamingQuery**, **None** otherwise.

create_training_set(*df: pyspark.sql.dataframe.DataFrame, feature_lookups:* List[databricks.feature_store.entities.feature_lookup.FeatureLookup], label: Union[str, List[str], None], exclude_columns: List[str] = []) → databricks.feature_store.training_set.TrainingSet

Create a **TrainingSet**.

Parameters: • **df** – The **DataFrame** used to join features into.

- feature_lookups List of features to join into the DataFrame.
- label Names of column(s) in DataFrame that contain training set labels.
 To create a training set without a label field, i.e. for unsupervised training set, specify label = None.
- exclude_columns Names of the columns to drop from the TrainingSet DataFrame.

Returns: A TrainingSet object.

log_model(model: Any, artifact_path: str, *, flavor: module, training_set: databricks.feature_store.training_set.TrainingSet, registered_model_name: str = None, await_registration_for: int = 300, **kwargs)

Log an MLflow model packaged with feature lookup information.

Note

The **DataFrame** returned by **TrainingSet.load_df()** must be used to train the model. If it has been modified (for example data normalization, add a column, and similar), these modifications will not be applied at inference time, leading to training-serving skew.

- Parameters: model Model to be saved. This model must be capable of being saved by flavor.save_model. See the MLflow Model API.
 - artifact_path Run-relative artifact path.
 - flavor MLflow module to use to log the model. flavor should have type ModuleType. The module must have a method save_model, and must support the python_function flavor. For example, mlflow.sklearn, mlflow.xgboost, and similar.
 - training_set The TrainingSet used to train this model.
 - registered_model_name -

Note

Experimental: This argument may change or be removed in a future release without warning.

If given, create a model version under **registered_model_name**, also creating a registered model if one with the given name does not exist.

 await_registration_for – Number of seconds to wait for the model version to finish being created and is in READY status. By default, the function waits for five minutes. Specify 0 or None to skip waiting.

Returns: None

score_batch(model_uri: str, df: pyspark.sql.dataframe.DataFrame, result_type: str = 'double')
→ pyspark.sql.dataframe.DataFrame

Evaluate the model on the provided **DataFrame**.

Additional features required for model evaluation will be automatically retrieved from **Feature Store**.

The model must have been logged with **FeatureStoreClient.log_model()**, which packages the model with feature metadata. Unless present in **df**, these features will be looked up from **Feature Store** and joined with **df** prior to scoring the model.

If a feature is included in **df**, the provided feature values will be used rather than those stored in **Feature Store**.

For example, if a model is trained on two features **account_creation_date** and **num_lifetime_purchases**, as in:

```
feature_lookups = [
    FeatureLookup(
        table_name = 'trust_and_safety.customer_features',
        feature_name = 'account_creation_date',
        lookup_key = 'customer_id',
    ),
    FeatureLookup(
        table_name = 'trust_and_safety.customer_features',
        feature_name = 'num_lifetime_purchases',
        lookup_key = 'customer_id'
    ),
]
with mlflow.start_run():
    training_set = fs.create_training_set(
        df,
        feature lookups = feature lookups,
        label = 'is banned',
        exclude columns = ['customer id']
    )
    . . .
      fs.log model(
        model,
        "model",
        flavor=mlflow.sklearn,
        training set=training set,
        registered model name="example model"
      )
```

Then at inference time, the caller of **FeatureStoreClient.score_batch()** must pass a **DataFrame** that includes **customer_id**, the **lookup_key** specified in the **FeatureLookups** of the **training_set**. If the **DataFrame** contains a column **account_creation_date**, the values of this column will be used in lieu of those in **Feature Store**. As in:

```
# batch_df has columns ['customer_id', 'account_creation_date']
predictions = fs.score_batch(
    'models:/example_model/1',
    batch_df
)
```

Parameters: • model_uri -

The location, in URI format, of the MLflow model logged using **FeatureStoreClient.log_model()**. One of:

- o runs:/<mlflow_run_id>/run-relative/path/to/model
- o models:/<model_name>/<model_version>
- o models:/<model_name>/<stage>

For more information about URI schemes, see Referencing Artifacts.

• df -

The **DataFrame** to score the model on. **Feature Store** features will be joined with **df** prior to scoring the model. **df** must:

 Contain columns for lookup keys required to join feature data from Feature Store, as specified in the **feature_spec.yaml** artifact.
 Contain columns for all source keys required to score the model, as specified in the **feature_spec.yaml** artifact.

3. Not contain a column **prediction**, which is reserved for the model's predictions. **df** may contain additional columns.

result_type - The return type of the model. See
 mlflow.pyfunc.spark_udf() result_type.

Returns: A **DataFrame** containing:

- 1. All columns of **df**.
- 2. All feature values retrieved from Feature Store.
- 3. A column **prediction** containing the output of the model.

Decorators

databricks.feature_store.decorators.feature_table()

Note

Experimental: This decorator may change or be removed in a future release without warning.

The **@feature_table** decorator specifies that a function is used to generate feature data. Functions decorated with **@feature_table** must return a single **DataFrame**, which will be written to Feature Store. For example:

```
from databricks.feature_store import feature_table
@feature_table
def compute_customer_features(data):
    '''Feature computation function that takes raw
        data and returns a DataFrame of features.'''
    return (data.groupBy('cid')
        .agg(count('*').alias('num_purchases'))
    )
```

A function that is decorated with the **@feature_table** decorator will gain these function attributes:

```
databricks.feature_store.decorators.compute_and_write(input: Dict[str, Any],
feature_table_name: str, mode: str = 'merge') 	o pyspark.sql.dataframe.DataFrame
```

Note

Experimental: This function may change or be removed in a future release without warning.

Calls the decorated function using the provided **input**, then writes the output **DataFrame** to the feature table specified by **feature_table_name**.

Example:

```
compute_customer_features.compute_and_write(
    input={
        'data': data,
    },
    feature_table_name='recommender_system.customer_features',
    mode='merge'
)
```

Parameters: • input – If input is not a dictionary, it is passed to the decorated function as the first positional argument. If input is a dictionary, the contents are unpacked and passed to the decorated function as keyword arguments.

- feature_table_name A feature table name of the form
 <database_name>.<table_name>, for example dev.user_features.
 Raises exception if this feature table does not exist.
- mode Two supported write modes: "overwrite" updates the whole table, while "merge" will upsert the rows in df into the feature table.

databricks.feature_store.decorators.compute_and_write_streaming(*input: Dict[str, Any], feature_table_name: str, checkpoint_location: Optional[str] = None, trigger: Dict[str, Any] = {'processingTime': '5 minutes'}*) \rightarrow pyspark.sql.streaming.StreamingQuery

Note

Experimental: This function may change or be removed in a future release without warning.

Calls the decorated function using the provided input, then streams the output **DataFrame** to the feature table specified by **feature_table_name**.

Example:

```
compute_customer_features.compute_and_write_streaming(
    input={
        'data': data,
    },
    feature_table_name='recommender_system.customer_features',
)
```

```
    Parameters: • input – If input is not a dictionary, it is passed to the decorated function as the first positional argument. If input is a dictionary, the contents are unpacked and passed to the decorated function as keyword arguments.
```

- feature_table_name A feature table name of the form
 <database_name>.<table_name>, for example dev.user_features.
- checkpoint_location Sets the Structured Streaming
 checkpointLocation option. By setting a checkpoint_location,
 Spark Structured Streaming will store progress information and
 intermediate state, enabling recovery after failures. This parameter is only
 supported when the argument df is a streaming DataFrame.
- trigger trigger defines the timing of stream data processing, the dictionary will be unpacked and passed to DataStreamWriter.trigger as arguments. For example, trigger={ 'once': True} will result in a call to DataStreamWriter.trigger(once=True).

Returns: A PySpark **StreamingQuery**.

class

databricks.feature_store.entities.feature_lookup.FeatureLookup(table_name: str, lookup_key: Union[str, List[str]], *, feature_names: Union[str, List[str], None] = None, rename_outputs: Optional[Dict[str, str]] = None, timestamp_lookup_key: Union[str, List[str], None] = None, **kwargs)

Bases:

databricks.feature_store.entities._feature_store_object._FeatureStoreObject

Value class used to specify a feature to use in a **TrainingSet**.

- **Parameters:** table_name Feature table name.
 - lookup_key Key to use when joining this feature table with the DataFrame passed to FeatureStoreClient.create_training_set(). The lookup_key must be the columns in the DataFrame passed to FeatureStoreClient.create_training_set(). The type of lookup_key columns in that DataFrame must match the type of the primary key of the feature table referenced in this FeatureLookup.
 - feature_names A single feature name, a list of feature names, or None to lookup all features (excluding primary keys) in the feature table at the time that the training set is created. If your model requires primary keys as features, you can declare them as independent FeatureLookups.
 - rename_outputs If provided, renames features in the TrainingSet returned by of FeatureStoreClient.create_training_set.
 - timestamp_lookup_key –

Key to use when performing point-in-time lookup on this feature table with the **DataFrame** passed to **FeatureStoreClient.create_training_set()**. The **timestamp_lookup_key** must be the columns in the DataFrame passed to **FeatureStoreClient.create_training_set()**. The type of **timestamp_lookup_key** columns in that DataFrame must match the type of the timestamp key of the feature table referenced in this **FeatureLookup**.

Note

Experimental: This argument may change or be removed in a future release without warning.

- feature_name Feature name. Deprecated as of 0.3.4 [Databricks Runtime for ML 9.1]. Use feature_names.
- output_name If provided, rename this feature in the output of FeatureStoreClient.create_training_set. Deprecated as of 0.3.4
 [Databricks Runtime for ML 9.1]. Use rename_outputs.

__init___(table_name: str, lookup_key: Union[str, List[str]], *, feature_names: Union[str, List[str], None] = None, rename_outputs: Optional[Dict[str, str]] = None, timestamp_lookup_key: Union[str, List[str], None] = None, **kwargs)

Initialize a FeatureLookup object.

table_name

The table name to use in this FeatureLookup.

lookup_key

The lookup key(s) to use in this FeatureLookup.

feature_name

The feature name to use in this FeatureLookup. **Deprecated** as of 0.3.4 [Databricks Runtime for ML 9.1]. Use **feature_names**.

output_name

The output name to use in this FeatureLookup. **Deprecated** as of 0.3.4 [Databricks Runtime for ML 9.1]. Use **feature_names**.

Training Set

class databricks.feature_store.training_set.TrainingSet(feature_spec: databricks.feature_store.entities.feature_spec.FeatureSpec, df: pyspark.sql.dataframe.DataFrame, labels: List[str], feature_table_metadata_map: Dict[str, databricks.feature_store.entities.feature_table.FeatureTable], feature_table_data_map: Dict[str, pyspark.sql.dataframe.DataFrame])

Bases: **object**

Class that defines **TrainingSet** objects.

Note

The **TrainingSet** constructor should not be called directly. Instead, call **FeatureStoreClient.create_training_set**.

 $\texttt{load_df}() \rightarrow pyspark.sql.dataframe.DataFrame$

Load a **DataFrame**.

Return a **DataFrame** for training.

The returned **DataFrame** has columns specified in the **feature_spec** and **labels** parameters provided in **FeatureStoreClient.create_training_set**.

Returns:

A **DataFrame** for training

Feature Table

Classes

class databricks.feature_store.entities.feature_table.FeatureTable(name, table_id, description, primary_keys, partition_columns, features, creation_timestamp=None, online_stores=[], notebook_producers=[], job_producers=[], table_data_sources=[], path_data_sources=[], timestamp_keys=[])

Value class describing one feature table.

This will typically not be instantiated directly, instead the **FeatureStoreClient.create_feature_table** will create **FeatureTable** objects.

Online Store Spec

class

databricks.feature_store.online_store_spec.AmazonRdsMySqlSpec(hostname: str, port: str, user: Optional[str] = None, password: Optional[str] = None, database_name: Optional[str] = None, table_name: Optional[str] = None, driver_name: Optional[str] = None, read_secret_prefix: Optional[str] = None, write_secret_prefix: Optional[str] = None)

Bases:

databricks.feature_store.online_store_spec.online_store_spec.OnlineStoreSpec

Class that defines and creates **AmazonRdsMySqlSpec** objects.

This **OnlineStoreSpec** implementation is intended for publishing features to Amazon RDS MySQL and Aurora (MySQL-compatible edition).

See **OnlineStoreSpec** documentation for more usage information, including parameter descriptions.

Parameters: • hostname – Hostname to access online store.

- **port** Port number to access online store.
- **user** Username that has access to the online store.
- **password** Password to access the online store.
- database_name Database name.
- table_name Table name.
- driver_name Name of custom JDBC driver to access the online store.
- read_secret_prefix Prefix for read secret.
- write_secret_prefix Prefix for write secret.

database_user

Define the database user for connection.

cloud

Define the cloud propert for the data store.

store_type

Define the data store type property.

class databricks.feature_store.online_store_spec.AzureMySqlSpec(hostname: str, port: str, user: Optional[str] = None, password: Optional[str] = None, database_name: Optional[str] = None, table_name: Optional[str] = None, driver_name: Optional[str] = None, read_secret_prefix: Optional[str] = None, write_secret_prefix: Optional[str] = None)

Bases:

databricks.feature_store.online_store_spec.online_store_spec.OnlineStoreSpec

Define the **AzureMySqlSpec** class.

This **OnlineStoreSpec** implementation is intended for publishing features to Azure Database for MySQL.

See **OnlineStoreSpec** documentation for more usage information, including parameter descriptions.

Parameters: • hostname – Hostname to access online store.

- port Port number to access online store.
- **user** Username that has access to the online store.
- **password** Password to access the online store.
- database_name Database name.
- table_name Table name.
- driver_name Name of custom JDBC driver to access the online store.
- read_secret_prefix Prefix for read secret.
- write_secret_prefix Prefix for write secret.

database_user

Define the database user for connection.

cloud

Define the cloud the fature store runs.

store_type

Define the data store type.

class

databricks.feature_store.online_store_spec.AzureSqlServerSpec(hostname: str, port: str, user: Optional[str] = None, password: Optional[str] = None, database_name: Optional[str] = None, table_name: Optional[str] = None, driver_name: Optional[str] = None, read_secret_prefix: Optional[str] = None, write_secret_prefix: Optional[str] = None)

Bases:

databricks.feature_store.online_store_spec.online_store_spec.OnlineStoreSpec

This **OnlineStoreSpec** implementation is intended for publishing features to Azure SQL Database (SQL Server).

The spec supports SQL Server 2019 and newer.

See **OnlineStoreSpec** documentation for more usage information, including parameter descriptions.

Parameters: • hostname – Hostname to access online store.

- port Port number to access online store.
- **user** Username that has access to the online store.
- **password** Password to access the online store.
- database_name Database name.
- table_name Table name.
- driver_name Name of custom JDBC driver to access the online store.
- read_secret_prefix Prefix for read secret.
- write_secret_prefix Prefix for write secret.

cloud

Define the cloud the fature store runs.

store_type

Define the data store type.

class databricks.feature_store.online_store_spec.OnlineStoreSpec(_type, hostname: str, port: str, user: Optional[str] = None, password: Optional[str] = None, database_name: Optional[str] = None, table_name: Optional[str] = None, driver_name: Optional[str] = None, read_secret_prefix: Optional[str] = None, write_secret_prefix: Optional[str] = None)

Bases: abc.ABC

Parent class for all types of **OnlineStoreSpec** objects.

Abstract base class for classes that specify the online store to publish to.

If database_name and table_name are not provided,

FeatureStoreClient.publish_table will use the offline store's database and table names.

To use a different database and table name in the online store, provide values for both **database_name** and **table_name** arguments.

The JDBC driver can be customized with the optional **driver_name** argument. Otherwise, a default is used.

Strings in the primary key should not exceed 100 characters.

The online database should already exist.

Note

It is strongly suggested (but not required), to provide read-only database credentials via the **read_secret_prefix** in order to grant the least amount of database access privileges to the served model. When providing a **read_secret_prefix**, the secrets

must exist in the scope name using the expected format, otherwise **publish_table** will return an error.

Parameters: • hostname – Hostname to access online store.

- **port** Port number to access online store.
- user Username that has write access to the online store, or None if using
 write_secret_prefix.
- password Password to access the online store, or None if using
 write_secret_prefix.
- database_name Database name.
- table_name Table name.
- driver_name Name of custom JDBC driver to access the online store.
- read_secret_prefix -

The secret scope name and secret key name prefix where read-only online store credentials are stored. These credentials will be used during online feature serving to connect to the online store from the served model. The format of this parameter should be **\${scope-name}/\${prefix}**, which is the name of the secret scope, followed by a /, followed by the secret key name prefix. The scope passed in must contain the following keys and corresponding values:

• **\${prefix}-user** where **\${prefix}** is the value passed into this function. For example if this function is called with

datascience/staging, the **datascience** secret scope should contain the secret named **staging-user**, which points to a secret value with the database username for the online store.

\${prefix}-password where \${prefix} is the value passed into this function. For example if this function is called with

datascience/staging, the **datascience** secret scope should contain the secret named **staging-password**, which points to a secret value with the database password for the online store.

• write_secret_prefix -

The secret scope name and secret key name prefix where read-write online store credentials are stored. These credentials will be used to connect to the online store to publish features. If **user** and **password** are passed, this field must be **None**, or an exception will be raised. The format of this parameter should be **\${scope-name}/\${prefix}**, which is the name of the secret scope, followed by a /, followed by the secret key name prefix. The scope passed in must contain the following keys and corresponding values:

\${prefix}-user where \${prefix} is the value passed into this function. For example if this function is called with

datascience/staging, the **datascience** secret scope should contain the secret named **staging-user**, which points to a secret value with the database username for the online store. \${prefix}-password where \${prefix} is the value passed into this function. For example if this function is called with datascience/staging, the datascience secret scope should contain the secret named staging-password, which points to a secret value with the database password for the online store.

type

Type of the online store.

hostname

Hostname to access the online store.

port

Port number to access the online store.

database_name

Database name.

table_name

Table name.

user

Username that has access to the online store.

Property will be empty if **write_scret_prefix** argument was used.

password

Password to access the online store.

Property will be empty if **write_scret_prefix** argument was used.

driver

Name of the custom JDBC driver to access the online store.

read_secret_prefix

Prefix for read access to online store.

Name of the secret scope and prefix that contains the username and password to access the online store with read-only credentials.

See the **read_secret_prefix** parameter description for details.

write_secret_prefix

Secret prefix that contains online store login info.

Name of the secret scope and prefix that contains the username and password to access the online store with read/write credentials. See the **write_secret_prefix** parameter description for details.

database_user

Username that connects to the database.

cloud

Cloud provider where this online store is located.

store_type

Store type.