



POLARS VS. PANDAS

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POLARS SYNTAX

```
df.group_by('col1').agg(pl.col('col2').sum()).collect()
```

Group `df` by `col1`

Sum `col2` for each group

Evaluate
results

Python Polars looks like a cross between **pandas** and **PySpark**.

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DIFFERENCES

- ★ No index names
- ★ More parallelism
- ★ Optional lazy evaluation
- ★ Better syntax?

*"Came for the **speed**, stayed for the **syntax**."*

-Polars Enthusiasts



- ★ Out-of-core processing
- ★ Parallelism, lazy evaluation
- ★ Python vs. Rust
- ★ Cluster vs. single machine
- ★ Pandas vs. unique syntax



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- ★ Java/Scala vs. Rust
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