# **Getting Started in Polars**

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### Motivation

# **Getting Started**

#### **Loading the Required Libraries**

```
# Libraries -----
import polars as pl
import numpy as np
import seaborn as sns
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
```

#### **Importing Data**

```
census_raw = pl.read_csv("data/ss_2008_census_data_raw.csv", null_values="NA")
# Inspect the first 5 rows
print(census_raw.head(5))
```

shape: (5, 10)

Region	Region Name	Region - RegionId	Variable .	•••	Age Name	Scale	Units	2008
str	str	str	str		str	str	str	i64
KN.A2	Upper Nile	SS-NU	KN.B2 .	•••	Total	units	Persons	964353

KN.A2	Upper Nile	SS-NU	KN.B2	•••	0 to 4	units	Persons	150872
KN.A2	Upper Nile	SS-NU	KN.B2	•••	5 to 9	units	Persons	151467
KN.A2	Upper Nile	SS-NU	KN.B2	•••	10 to 14	units	Persons	126140
KN.A2	Upper Nile	SS-NU	KN.B2	•••	15 to 19	units	Persons	103804

#### Importing the Data Lazily

```
census_lazy = pl.scan_csv(
    'data/ss_2008_census_data_raw.csv', null_values='NA'
   )

# Inspect the first 5 rows
print(census_lazy.collect().head(5))
```

shape: (5, 10)

Region	Region Name	Region - RegionId	Variable		Age Name	Scale	Units	2008
str	str	str	str		str	str	str	i64
KN.A2	Upper Nile	SS-NU	KN.B2	•••	Total	units	Persons	964353
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```
# Inspect the last 5 rows
print(census_raw.tail(5))
```

shape: (5, 10)

Region	Region Name	Region -	Variable	•••	Age Name	Scale	Units	200
		RegionId						
str	str		str		str	str	str	i64
		str						
KN.A11	Eastern Equatoria	SS-EE	KN.B8	•••	60 to 64	units	Persons	527

KN.A11	Eastern Equatoria	SS-EE	KN.B8	 65+	units	Persons	863
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	Statistics, S						
Download URL:	http://southsudan.	null	null	 null	null	null	nu
	opendataforafr						

```
# Inspect random 5 rows
print(census_raw.sample(5))
```

shape: (5, 10)

Region	Region Name	Region - RegionId	Variable	•••	Age Name	Scale	Units	2008
str	str	str	str		str	str	str	i64
KN.A4 KN.A4 KN.A4 KN.A11	Unity Unity Unity Eastern Equatoria	SS-UY SS-UY SS-UY SS-EE	KN.B2 KN.B5 KN.B2 KN.B8		30 to 34 60 to 64 15 to 19 35 to 39	units units units units	Persons Persons Persons Persons	34200 4160 59342 25808
KN.A9	Western Equatoria	SS-EW	KN.B5	•••	20 to 24	units	Persons	29084

## **Checking for Missing Values**

```
# Inspect the last 5 rows
print(census_raw.null_count())
```

shape: (1, 10)

Region	Region Name	Region - RegionId	Variable	Age Name	Scale	Units	2008
u32	u32	u32	u32	u32	u32	u32	u32
1	1	3	3	3	3	3	3

```
import polars.selectors as cs
  # Inspect the last 5 rows
  print(
      census_raw
      .select(cs.all().is_null().sum())
  )
shape: (1, 10)
 Region Region Name
                       Region - RegionId
                                           Variable ...
                                                                    Scale
                                                                           Units
                                                                                   2008
                                                        Age Name
                                                                            ___
                                                                                   ___
 u32
         u32
                       u32
                                           u32
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                                                                    u32
                                                                           u32
                                                                                   u32
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#### **Selecting Columns of Interest**

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```
# Selecting columns of interest: polars provides various methods for selecting columns
  print(
      census_raw
      .select(cs.ends_with('Name'), '2008')
      .columns
  )
['Region Name', 'Variable Name', 'Age Name', '2008']
  age_mapping = {
      "0 to 4": "0-14",
      "5 to 9": "0-14",
      "10 to 14": "0-14",
      "15 to 19": "15-24",
      "20 to 24": "15-24",
      "25 to 29": "25-34",
      "30 to 34": "25-34",
      "35 to 39": "35-44",
      "40 to 44": "35-44",
      "45 to 49": "45-54",
      "50 to 54": "45-54",
```

```
"55 to 59": "55-64",
      "60 to 64": "55-64",
      "65+": "65 and above",
  }
  census = (
      census_raw
      .select(
          ["Region Name", "Variable Name", "Age Name", "2008"]
      .rename(
          {
              "Region Name": "state",
              "Variable Name": "gender",
              "Age Name": "age_category",
              "2008": "population",
          }
      )
      .with_columns(
          gender=pl.col("gender").str.split(" ").list.get(1),
          age_category=pl.col("age_category").replace(age_mapping),
      .filter(
          (pl.col("gender") != "Total") & (pl.col("age_category") != "Total")
      .group_by(['state', 'gender', 'age_category'])
      .agg(total=pl.col('population').sum())
      .sort('total', descending=True)
  )
  print(census.head(5))
shape: (5, 4)
                     gender
 state
                             age_category total
                                            i64
 str
                     str
                              str
                             0-14
                                            338443
 Jonglei
                     Male
```

Jonglei	Female	0-14	263646
Central Equatoria	Male	0-14	242247
Upper Nile	Male	0-14	237461
Warrap	Male	0-14	230854