Best practices while processing large-scale data using Pandas-like libraries

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Quick check on basic pandas operations (1/5)

- **How to get top-2 rows based on the column “A” from table “df”?**

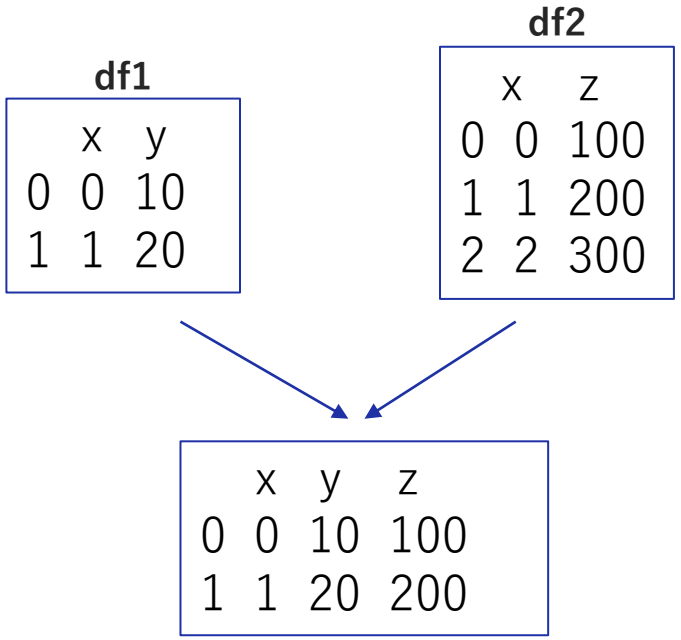
	A	B
0	2	10
1	5	30
2	1	20
3	3	70
4	7	60
5	8	40
6	4	80

	A	B
5	8	40
4	7	60

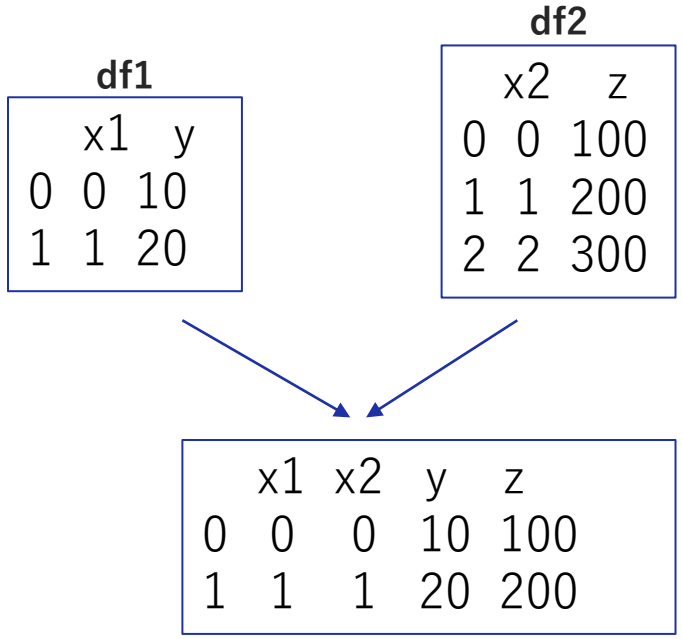
```
df.sort_values(“A”, ascending=False).head(2)
```

Quick check on basic pandas operations (2/5)

- **How to perform inner-join of table “df1” with table “df2” on common key-column “x”?**



df1.merge(df2, on=“x”, how=“inner”)



df1.merge(df2, left_on=“x1”, right_on=“x2”, how=“inner”)

Quick check on basic pandas operations (3/4)

- **How to perform Sum of “B” column based on different group of “A” column?**

	A	B
0	1	10
1	2	20
2	1	30
3	2	40
4	3	50
5	3	60
6	1	70

A	B
1	110
2	60
3	110

df.groupby(“A”).agg(“sum”)

df.groupby(“A”)[“B”].agg(“sum”)

df.groupby(“A”).agg({“B”: “sum”})

df.groupby(“A”).agg(**b_sum** = (“B”, “sum”))

	A	B
0	1	10
1	2	20
2	1	30
3	2	40
4	3	50
5	3	60
6	1	70

	A	B
0	1	110
1	2	60
2	3	110

df.groupby(“A”, as_index=False).agg(“sum”)

	b_sum
A	
1	110
2	60
3	110

Quick check on basic pandas operations (4/4)

- **How to select intended columns, e.g., “A”, “D” and “E” from table “df”?**

	A	B	C	D	E
0	2	10	10	g	9
1	5	30	69	a	2
2	1	20	31	g	8
3	3	70	45	f	3
4	7	60	59	e	1
5	8	40	66	f	1
6	4	80	97	h	8

	A	D	E
0	2	g	9
1	5	a	2
2	1	g	8
3	3	f	3
4	7	e	1
5	8	f	1
6	4	h	8

```
df[[“A”, “D”, “E”]]

df.loc[:, [“A”, “D”, “E”]]

df.iloc[:, [0, 3, 4]]
```

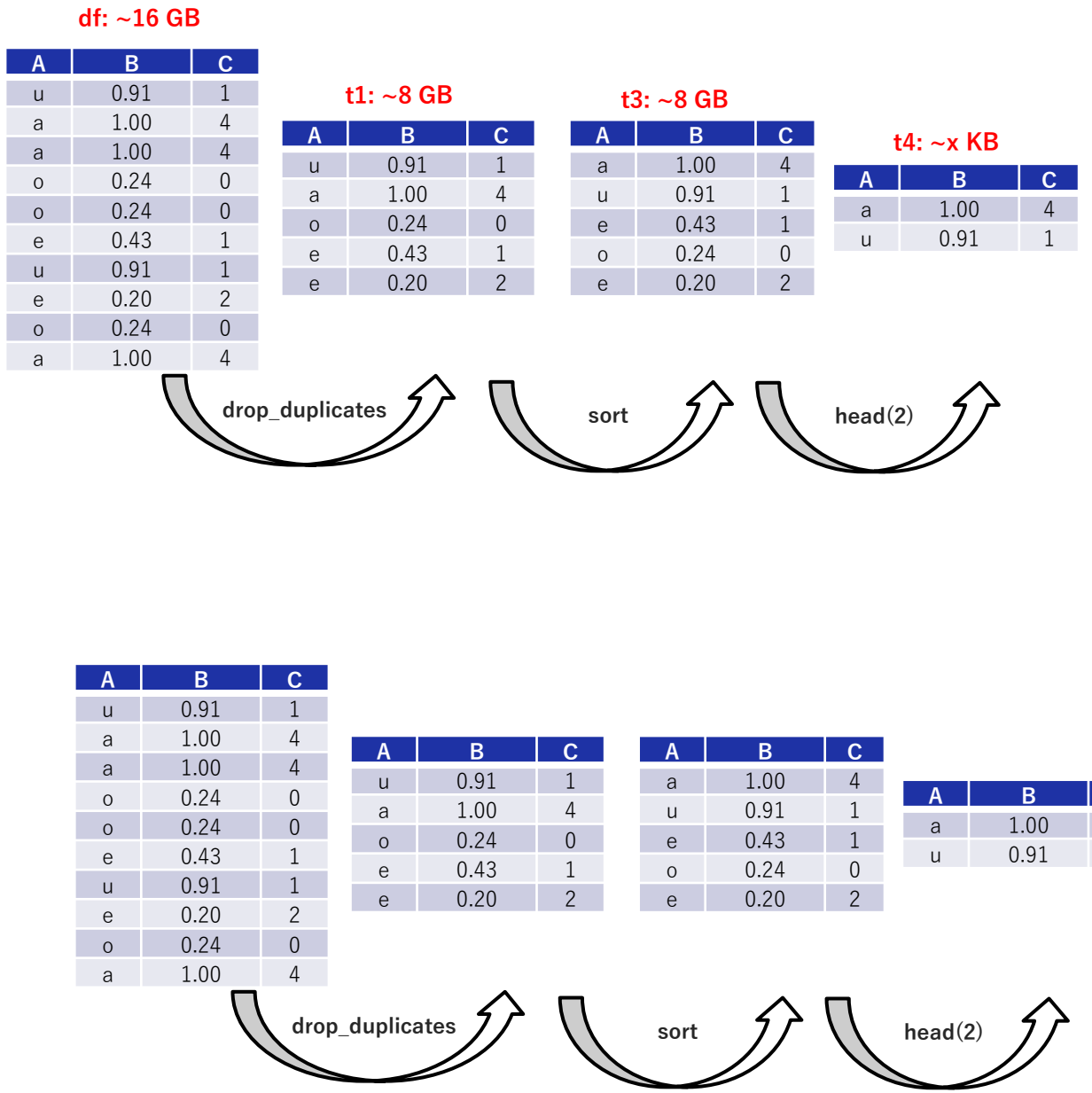
Performance Challenges & Best Practices to follow

(1) importance of chained expression

```
def foo(filename):
  df = pd.read_csv(filename)
  t1 = df.drop_duplicates()
  t2 = t1.sort_values("B")
  t3 = t2.head(2)
  return t3
```

re-write using chained expression

```
def foo(filename):
  return (
    pd.read_csv(filename)
      .drop_duplicates()
      .sort_values("B")
      .head(2)
  )
```



Use pipe() or query() for filter operation

```
def foo(filename):
  df = pd.read_csv(filename)
  t1 = df.drop_duplicates()
  t2 = t1[t1["B"] > 0.20]
  t3 = t2.sort_values("B")
  t4 = t3.head(2)
  return t4
```

df: ~16 GB

A	B	C
u	0.91	1
a	1.00	4
a	1.00	4
o	0.24	0
o	0.24	0
e	0.43	1
u	0.91	1
e	0.20	2
o	0.24	0
a	1.00	4

t1: ~8 GB

A	B	C
u	0.91	1
a	1.00	4
o	0.24	0
e	0.43	1
e	0.20	2

t2: ~8 GB

A	B	C
u	0.91	1
a	1.00	4
o	0.24	0
e	0.43	1

t3: ~8 GB

A	B	C
a	1.00	4
u	0.91	1
e	0.43	1
o	0.24	0

t4: ~x KB

A	B	C
a	1.00	4
u	0.91	1

drop_duplicates → filter → sort → head(2)

re-write using chained expression

```
def foo(filename):
  return (
    pd.read_csv(filename)
      .drop_duplicates()
      .??
      .sort_values("B")
      .head(2)
  )
```

```
def foo(filename):
  return (
    pd.read_csv(filename)
      .drop_duplicates()
      .query("B > 0.20")
      .sort_values("B")
      .head(2)
  )
```

query(): allows you to write SQL-like conditional expression, helping you to perform filter on the current state of the input frame, but its a little slower as it parses the input string to construct the filter mask.

```
def foo(filename):
  return (
    pd.read_csv(filename)
      .drop_duplicates()
      .pipe(lambda tmp: tmp["B"] > 0.20]
      .sort_values("B")
      .head(2)
  )
```

pipe(): a convenient method allowing you to perform a given operation (like filter etc.) on the current state of the input frame without introducing computational overhead.

Use assign() for setting a new column

```
df = pd.read_csv(filename)
       .drop_duplicates()

df[“C”] = df[“A”] + df[“B”]
```

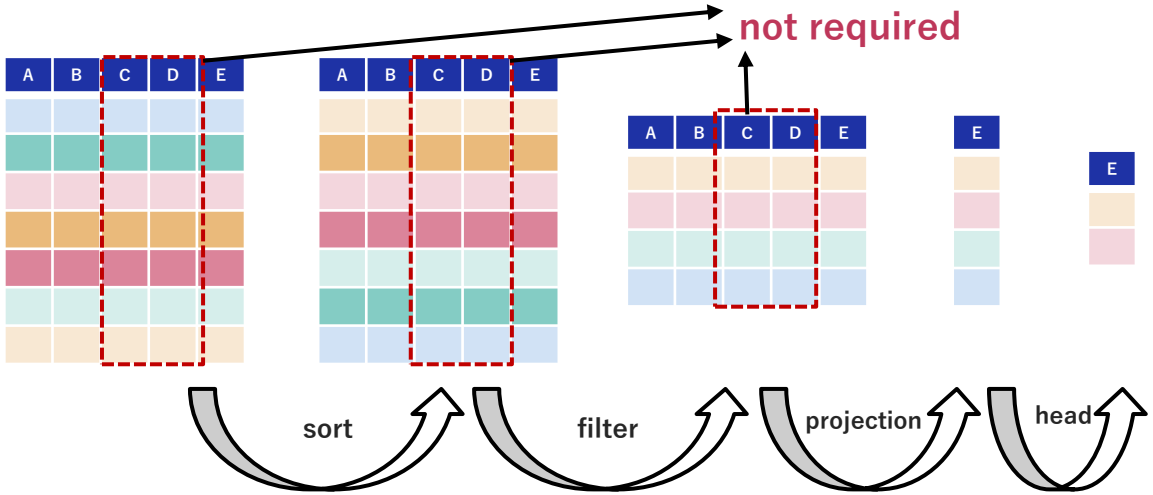
re-write using chained expression

```
df = pd.read_csv(filename)
       .drop_duplicates()
       .assign(C=lambda tmp: tmp[“A”] + tmp[“B”])
```

(2) importance of execution order

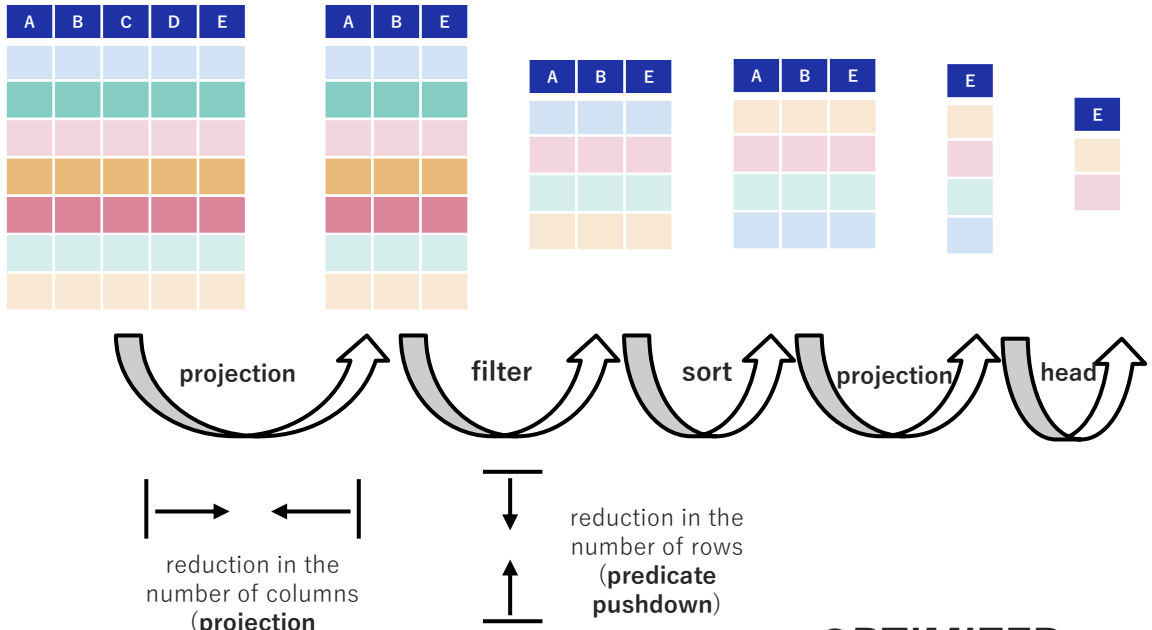
```
df.sort_values("A")
  .query("B > 1")["E"]
  .head(2)
```

※ *sort-order: yellow->red->green->blue*
※ *B=1for darker shade, B=2 for lighter shade*



SAMPLE QUERY

```
df.loc[:, ["A", "B", "E"]]
  .query("B > 1")
  .sort_values("A")["E"]
  .head(2)
```



OPTIMIZED QUERY

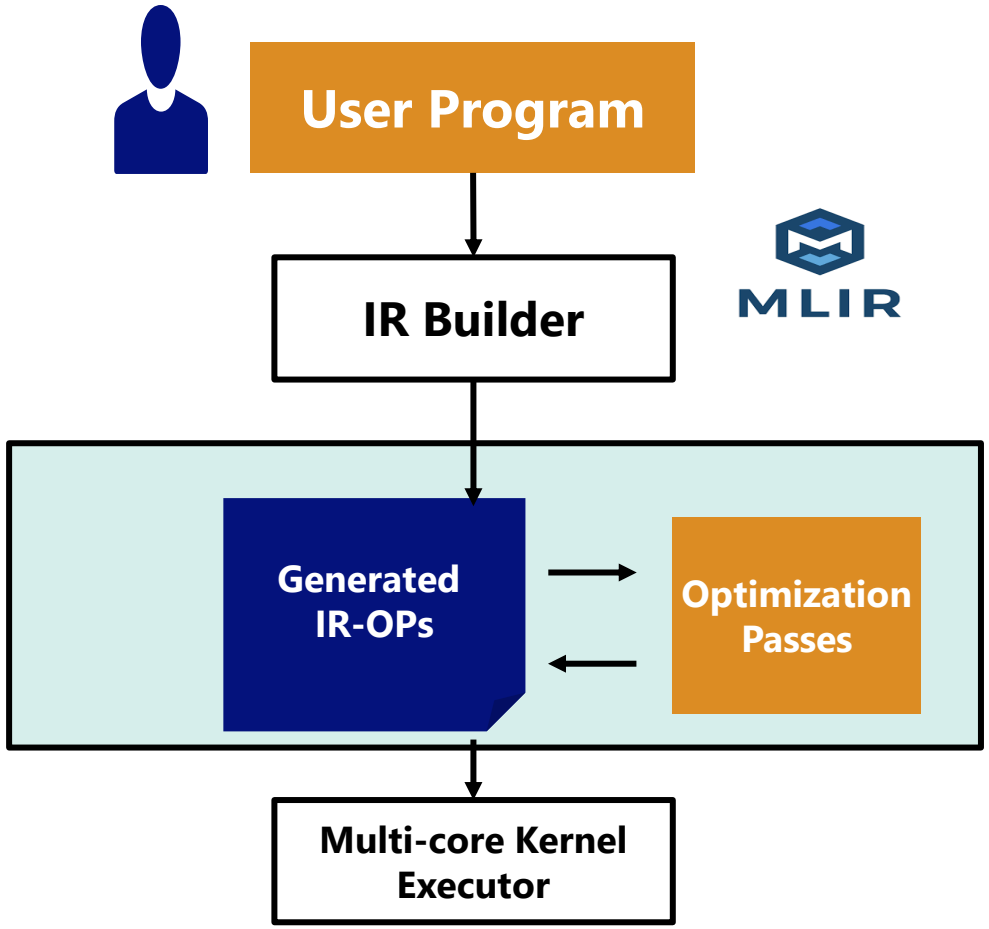
Let’s put our learning to exercise

1. Join “customer” and “orders” tables, where "c_custkey“=="o_custkey“
2. Join result with “lineitem”, where "o_orderkey“=="l_orderkey“
3. Filter result, where "c_mktsegment" == "BUILDING“
4. Filter result, where "o_orderdate" < 1995-03-15
5. Filter result, where "l_shipdate" > 1995-03-1
6. Add a new column, named “revenue” as: "l_extendedprice" * (1 - "l_discount")
7. Perform Groupby on: ["l_orderkey", "o_orderdate", "o_shippriority"]
8. Perform Aggregation to compute group-wise sum of “revenue” column.
9. Project columns as: ["l_orderkey", "revenue", "o_orderdate", "o_shippriority"]
10. Sort results by "revenue“ as descending order and "o_orderdate“ as ascending order.
11. Get top-10 from result

Introducing FireDucks

※IR: Intermediate Representation

FireDucks (**F**lexible **IR** **E**ngine for DataFrame) is a high-performance compiler-accelerated DataFrame library with highly compatible pandas APIs.




```
result = df.sort_values("A")
  .query("B > 1")["E"]
  .head(2)
```

```
%v2 = "sort_values_op"(%v1, "A")
%v3 = "filter_op"(%v2, "B > 1")
%v4 = "project_op"(%v3, ["E"])
%v5 = "slice_op"(%v4, 2)
```

print (result)

```
%t1 = "project_op"(%v1, ["A", "B", "E"])
%t2 = "filter_op"(%t1, "B > 1")
%t3 = "sort_values_op"(%t2, "A")
%t4 = "project_op"(%t3, ["E"])
%t5 = "slice_op"(%t4, 2)
```

```
result = df.loc[:, ["A", "B", "E"]]
  .query("B > 1")
  .sort_values("A")["E"]
  .head(2)
```

Primary Objective: Write Once, Execute Anywhere

Usage of FireDucks

1. Explicit Import

easy to import

```
# import pandas as pd
import fireducks.pandas as pd
```

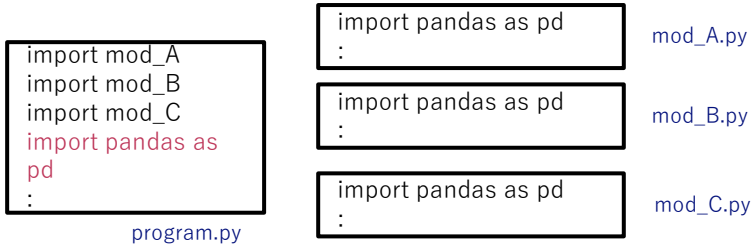
simply change the import statement

2. Import Hook

FireDucks provides command line option to automatically replace "**pandas**" with "**fireducks.pandas**"

```
$ python -m fireducks.pandas program.py
```

zero code modification



3. Notebook Extension

FireDucks provides simple import extension for interative notebooks.

```
%load_ext fireducks.pandas
import pandas as pd
```

simple integration in a notebook

IR-driven Lazy-execution addresses memory issue with intermediate tables

```
def foo(filename):
  df = pd.read_csv(filename)
  t1 = df.drop_duplicates()
  t2 = t1[t1["B"] > 0.20]
  t3 = t2.sort_values("B")
  t4 = t3.head(2)
  return t4

ret = foo("data.csv")
print(ret.shape)
```

example without chained expression

```
def foo(filename):
  return (
    pd.read_csv(filename)
      .drop_duplicates()
      .query("B > 0.20")
      .sort_values("B")
      .head(2)
  )

ret = foo("data.csv")
print(ret.shape)
```

example with chained expression

```
%t3 = read_csv_with_metadata('dummy.csv', ...)
%t4 = drop_duplicates(%t3, ...)
%t5 = project(%t4, 'B')
%t6 = gt.vector.scalar(%t5, 0.20)
%t7 = filter(%t4, %t6)
%t8 = sort_values(%t7, ['B'], [True])
%t9 = slice(%t8, 0, 2, 1)
%v10 = get_shape(%t9)
return(%t9, %v10)
```

IR Generated by FireDucks
(can be inspected when setting environment variable FIRE_LOG_LEVEL=3)

Resource on FireDucks

Web site (User guide, benchmark, blog)

https://fireducks-dev.github.io/

X(twitter) (Release information)

https://x.com/fireducksdev

Github (Issue report)

https://github.com/fireducks-dev/fireducks

Q/A, communication

https://join.slack.com/t/fireducks/shared_invite/zt-2j4lucmtj-IGR7AWIXO62Lu605pnBJ2w

FireDucks

Compiler Accelerated DataFrame Library for Python with fully-compatible pandas API

Get Started

```
import fireducks.pandas as pd
```

News

Release fileducks-0.12.4 (Jul 09, 2024)

Have you ever thought of speeding up your data analysis in pandas with a compiler?(blog) (Jul 03, 2024)

Evaluation result of Database-like ops benchmark with FireDucks is now available. (Jun 18, 2024)

Accelerate pandas without any manual code changes

Do you have a pandas-based program that is slow? FireDucks can speed-up your programs without any manual code changes. You can accelerate your data analysis without worrying about slow performance due to single-threaded execution in pandas.

Thank You!

- Focus more on in-depth data exploration using “**pandas**”.
- Let the “**FireDucks**” take care of the optimization for you.
- Enjoy Green Computing!

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