

Data Wrangling

with pandas

Cheat Sheet

<http://pandas.pydata.org>

Syntax – Creating DataFrames

	a	b	c
1	4	7	10
2	5	8	11
3	6	9	12

```
df = pd.DataFrame(  
    {"a" : [4 ,5, 6],  
     "b" : [7, 8, 9],  
     "c" : [10, 11, 12]},  
    index = [1, 2, 3])  
Specify values for each column.
```

```
df = pd.DataFrame(  
    [[4, 7, 10],  
     [5, 8, 11],  
     [6, 9, 12]],  
    index=[1, 2, 3],  
    columns=['a', 'b', 'c'])  
Specify values for each row.
```

		a	b	c
n	v			
d	1	4	7	10
	2	5	8	11
e	2	6	9	12

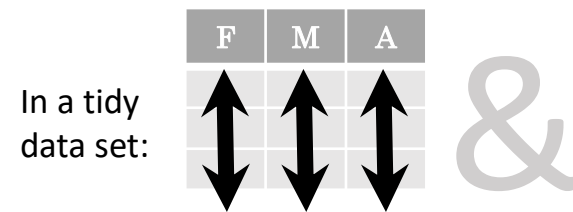
```
df = pd.DataFrame(  
    {"a" : [4 ,5, 6],  
     "b" : [7, 8, 9],  
     "c" : [10, 11, 12]},  
    index = pd.MultiIndex.from_tuples(  
        [('d',1),('d',2),('e',2)],  
        names=['n','v']))  
Create DataFrame with a MultiIndex
```

Method Chaining

Most pandas methods return a DataFrame so that another pandas method can be applied to the result. This improves readability of code.

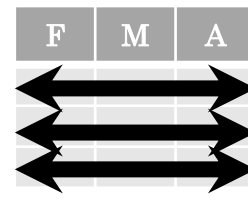
```
df = (pd.melt(df)  
      .rename(columns={  
          'variable' : 'var',  
          'value' : 'val'})  
      .query('val >= 200'))
```

Tidy Data – A foundation for wrangling in pandas



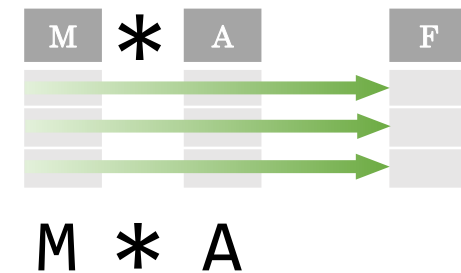
In a tidy data set:

Each **variable** is saved in its own **column**

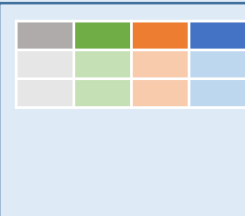


Each **observation** is saved in its own **row**

Tidy data complements pandas's **vectorized operations**. pandas will automatically preserve observations as you manipulate variables. No other format works as intuitively with pandas.



Reshaping Data – Change the layout of a data set



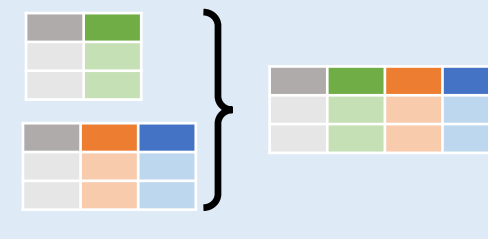
pd.melt(df)
Gather columns into rows.



df.pivot(columns='var', values='val')
Spread rows into columns.



pd.concat([df1,df2])
Append rows of DataFrames



pd.concat([df1,df2], axis=1)
Append columns of DataFrames

```
df=df.assign(a=[1:3], b=[4:6])  
Add new columns to DataFrame.
```

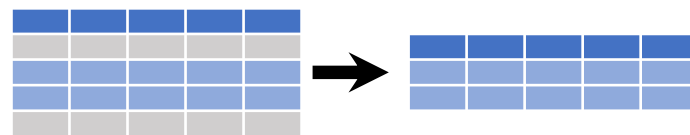
```
df=df.sort_values('mpg')  
Order rows by values of a column (low to high).
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```
df=df.sort_values('mpg',  
                  ascending=False)  
Order rows by values of a column (high to low).
```

```
df=df.rename(columns=  
             {'y':'year'})  
Rename the columns of a DataFrame
```

```
df=df.sort_index()  
Sort the index of a DataFrame
```

Subset Observations (Rows)



```
df[df.Length > 7]  
Extract rows that meet logical criteria.  
df.drop_duplicates()  
Remove duplicate rows (only considers columns).  
df.sample(frac=0.5)  
Randomly select fraction of rows.  
df.sample(n=10)  
Randomly select n rows.  
df.iloc[10:20]  
Select rows by position.  
df.nlargest(10, 'value')  
Select and order top n entries.
```

Subset Variables (Columns)



```
df[['width','length','species']]  
Select multiple columns with specific names.  
df['width'] or df.width  
Select single column with specific name.  
df.filter(regex='regex')  
Select columns whose name matches regular expression regex.
```

regex (Regular Expressions) Examples

regex	Matches
'\.'	Matches strings containing a period '.'
'Length\$'	Matches strings ending with word 'Length'
'^Sepal'	Matches strings beginning with the word 'Sepal'
'^x[1-5]\$'	Matches strings beginning with 'x' and ending with 1,2,3,4,5
'^(?!Species\$).*\$'	Matches strings except the string 'Species'

```
df.loc[:, 'x2': 'x4']  
Select all columns between x2 and x4 (inclusive).  
df.iloc[:, [1,2,5]]  
Select columns in positions 1, 2 and 5 (first column is 0).  
df.loc[df['a'] > 10, ['a','c']]  
Select rows meeting logical condition, and only the specific columns.
```

Logic in Python (and pandas)			
<	Less than	!=	Not equal to
>	Greater than	df.column.isin(values)	Group membership
==	Equals	pd.isnull(obj)	Is NaN
<=	Less than or equals	pd.notnull(obj)	Is not NaN
>=	Greater than or equals	&, , ~, ^, df.any(), df.all()	Logical and, or, not, xor, any, all

Summarize Data

df.describe()

Get basic descriptive statistics for each column.

df['Length'].value_counts()

Count number of rows with each unique value of variable

len(df)

of rows in DataFrame.

len(df['w'].unique())

of distinct values in a column.



pandas provides a large set of summary functions that operate on DataFrame columns and produce single values for each of the columns, returned as a pandas Series. Here are some examples:

df.quantile([0.25,0.75])

Quantiles of each column.

df.sum()

Sum values of each column.

df.prod()

Multiply values of each column.

df.count()

Count non-NA/null values of each column.

df.median()

Median value of each column.

df.min()

Minimum value in each column.

df.max()

Maximum value in each column.

df.mean()

Mean value of each column.

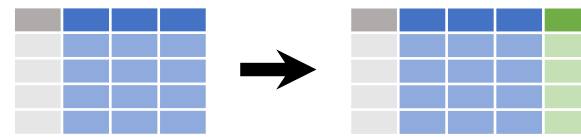
df.var()

Variance of each column.

df.std()

Standard deviation of each column.

Make New Variables

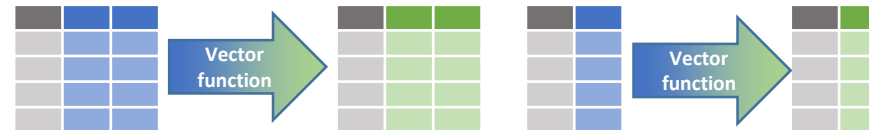


df=df.assign(Area=lambda df: df.Length*df.Height)

Compute and append one or more new columns.

df=df.drop(['Length','Height'], axis=1)

Drop columns from DataFrame



pandas provides a large set of **vector functions** that operate on all columns of a DataFrame or a single selected column (a pandas Series). These functions produce vectors of values for each of the columns, or a single Series for the individual Series

shift(1)

Copy with values shifted by 1.

shift(-1)

Copy with values lagged by 1.

rank(method='dense')

Ranks with no gaps.

rank(method='min')

Ranks. Ties get min rank.

rank(pct=True)

Ranks rescaled to interval [0, 1].

rank(method='first')

Ranks. Ties go to first value.

pd.qcut(df.col,n, labels=False)

Bin column into n buckets.

df.col.between(a,b)

Are column values between a and b?

clip(lower=-10,upper=10)

Trim values at input thresholds

(df>5).expanding()

.apply(all)>=1

Cumulative all.

(df>5).expanding()

.apply(any)>=1

Cumulative any.

expanding().mean()

Cumulative mean.

cumsum()

Cumulative sum.

cummax()

Cumulative max.

cummin()

Cumulative min.

cumprod()

Cumulative product.

max(axis=1)

Element-wise max.

min(axis=1)

Element-wise min.

Combine Data Sets

adf

x1	x2
A	1
B	2
C	3

bdf

x1	x3
A	T
B	F
D	T



Standard Joins

x1	x2	x3
A	1	T
B	2	F
C	3	NaN

pd.merge(adf, bdf, how='left', on='x1')

Join matching rows from bdf to adf.

x1	x2	x3
A	1.0	T
B	2.0	F
D	NaN	T

pd.merge(adf, bdf, how='right', on='x1')

Join matching rows from adf to bdf.

x1	x2	x3
A	1	T
B	2	F

pd.merge(adf, bdf, how='inner', on='x1')

Join data. Retain only rows in both sets.

x1	x2	x3
A	1	T
B	2	F
C	3	NaN
D	NaN	T

pd.merge(adf, bdf, how='inner', on='x1')

Join data. Retain all values, all rows.

Filtering Joins

x1	x2
A	1
B	2

adf[adf.x1.isin(bdf.x1)]

All rows in adf that have a match in bdf.

x1	x2
C	3

adf[~adf.x1.isin(bdf.x1)]

All rows in adf that do not have a match in bdf.

ydf

x1	x2
A	1
B	2
C	3

zdf

x1	x3
A	T
B	F
D	T



Set-like Operations

x1	x2
B	2
C	3

pd.merge(ydf, zdf)

Rows that appear in both ydf and zdf (Intersection).

x1	x2
A	1
B	2
C	3
D	4

pd.merge(ydf, zdf, how='outer')

Rows that appear in either or both ydf and zdf (Union).

x1	x2
A	1

pd.merge(ydf, zdf, how='outer', indicator=True)

.query('_merge == "left_only"')

.drop(['_merge'],axis=1)

Rows that appear in ydf but not zdf (Setdiff).