02B-Pandas

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1 Getting to know your data with Pandas

1.1 Pandas

Pandas is the Python Data Analysis Library.

Pandas is an extremely versatile tool for manipulating datasets.

It also produces high quality plots with matplotlib, and integrates nicely with other libraries that expect NumPy arrays.

The most important tool provided by Pandas is the data frame.

A data frame is a table in which each row and column is given a label.

Pandas DataFrames are documented at:

http://pandas.pydata.org/pandas-docs/dev/generated/pandas.DataFrame.html

1.2 Getting started

1.3 Fetching, storing and retrieving your data

For demonstration purposes, we'll use a library built-in to Pandas that fetches data from standard online sources, such as Yahoo! Finance.

More information on what types of data you can fetch is at: http://pandas.pydata.org/pandas-docs/stable/remote_data.html

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In [202]: stocks = 'YELP'
          data_source = 'yahoo'
          start = datetime(2015, 1, 1)
          end = datetime(2015, 12, 31)
          yahoo_stocks = web.DataReader(stocks, data_source, start, end)
          yahoo_stocks.head()
          yahoo_stocks.info()
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
DatetimeIndex: 252 entries, 2015-01-02 to 2015-12-31
Data columns (total 6 columns):
Open
             252 non-null float64
             252 non-null float64
High
Low
             252 non-null float64
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Close 252 non-null float64
Adj Close 252 non-null float64
Volume 252 non-null int64
dtypes: float64(5), int64(1)

memory usage: 13.8 KB

1.3.1 Reading data from a .csv file

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In [203]: yahoo_stocks.to_csv('yahoo_data.csv')
         print(open('yahoo_data.csv').read())
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2015-12-31,28.1,28.96999899999998,28.02,28.799999,28.799999,1295600
In [204]: df = pd.read_csv('yahoo_data.csv')
         df
Out [204]:
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Volume

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      2992100
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      1483900
243
      1299800
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      1947600
245
      2952700
246
      1001000
247
       587400
248
      1004500
249
      1103900
250
      1068000
251
      1295600
[252 rows x 7 columns]
```

The number of rows in the DataFrame:

```
In [205]: len(df)
Out[205]: 252
```

In [206]: df.columns

1.4 Working with data columns

The columns or "features" in your data

```
Out[206]: Index(['Date', 'Open', 'High', 'Low', 'Close', 'Adj Close', 'Volume'], dtype='object')
   Selecting a single column from your data
In [207]: df['Open']
Out[207]: 0
                  55.459999
          1
                  54.540001
          2
                  52.549999
          3
                  53.320000
          4
                  52.590000
          5
                  55.959999
          6
                  56.000000
          7
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                  51.650002
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       56.060001
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       29.459999
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       29.790001
       30.500000
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       30.110001
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       31.389999
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       30.980000
237
       30.110001
238
       30.690001
239
       29.600000
240
       29.680000
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       26.889999
242
       28.139999
       27.309999
243
244
       27.170000
245
       26.250000
       27.950001
246
247
       28.270000
248
       28.120001
249
       27.950001
250
       28.580000
251
       28.100000
Name: Open, Length: 252, dtype: float64
```

Another way of selecting a single column from your data

In [208]: df.Open

| Out[208]: | 0 | 55.459999 |
|-----------|-----|-----------|
| | 1 | 54.540001 |
| | 2 | 52.549999 |
| | 3 | 53.320000 |
| | 4 | 52.590000 |
| | 5 | 55.959999 |
| | 6 | 56.000000 |
| | 7 | 54.470001 |
| | | |
| | 8 | 52.799999 |
| | 9 | 53.000000 |
| | 10 | 50.180000 |
| | 11 | 51.650002 |
| | 12 | 51.200001 |
| | 13 | 53.869999 |
| | 14 | 54.660000 |
| | 15 | 55.119999 |
| | 16 | 56.060001 |
| | 17 | 56.150002 |
| | 18 | 52.849998 |
| | 19 | 52.590000 |
| | 20 | 52.939999 |
| | 21 | 53.830002 |
| | 22 | 55.529999 |
| | 23 | 57.599998 |
| | 24 | 47.700001 |
| | | |
| | 25 | 44.910000 |
| | 26 | 43.830002 |
| | 27 | 45.389999 |
| | 28 | 46.450001 |
| | 29 | 48.509998 |
| | | |
| | 222 | 27.540001 |
| | 223 | 28.190001 |
| | 224 | 28.100000 |
| | 225 | 30.580000 |
| | 226 | 29.459999 |
| | 227 | 29.790001 |
| | 228 | 30.500000 |
| | 229 | 30.110001 |
| | 230 | 30.110001 |
| | 231 | 30.299999 |
| | 232 | 31.389999 |
| | 232 | 30.530001 |
| | | |
| | 234 | 30.379999 |
| | 235 | 29.809999 |
| | 236 | 30.980000 |

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237
                 30.110001
          238
                 30.690001
          239
                 29.600000
          240
                 29.680000
          241
                 26.889999
          242
                  28.139999
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                 27.309999
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          246
                 27.950001
          247
                 28.270000
                 28.120001
          248
          249
                  27.950001
          250
                 28.580000
                  28.100000
          251
          Name: Open, Length: 252, dtype: float64
In [209]: df[['Open','Close']].head()
Out [209]:
                   Open
                             Close
          0
             55.459999 55.150002
          1 54.540001 52.529999
          2 52.549999
                         52.439999
          3 53.320000
                         52.209999
             52.590000 53.830002
In [210]: df.Date.head(10)
Out[210]: 0
               2015-01-02
          1
               2015-01-05
          2
               2015-01-06
          3
               2015-01-07
          4
               2015-01-08
          5
               2015-01-09
          6
               2015-01-12
          7
               2015-01-13
          8
               2015-01-14
          9
               2015-01-15
          Name: Date, dtype: object
In [211]: df.Date.tail(10)
Out[211]: 242
                 2015-12-17
          243
                  2015-12-18
          244
                  2015-12-21
          245
                 2015-12-22
          246
                 2015-12-23
          247
                 2015-12-24
          248
                  2015-12-28
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250
                 2015-12-30
          251
                 2015-12-31
          Name: Date, dtype: object
   Changing the column names:
In [212]: new_column_names = [x.lower().replace(' ','_') for x in df.columns]
          df.columns = new_column_names
          df.info()
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 252 entries, 0 to 251
Data columns (total 7 columns):
date
             252 non-null object
             252 non-null float64
open
             252 non-null float64
high
             252 non-null float64
low
close
             252 non-null float64
             252 non-null float64
adj_close
             252 non-null int64
volume
dtypes: float64(5), int64(1), object(1)
memory usage: 13.9+ KB
```

Now **all** columns can be accessed using the **dot** notation:

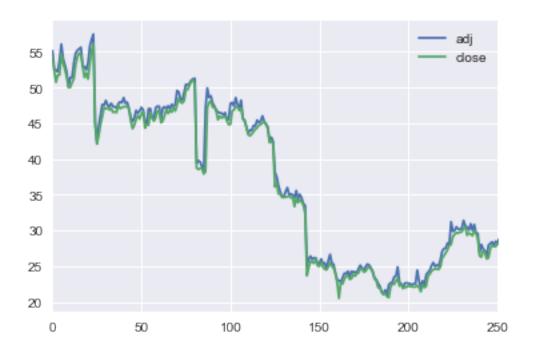
1.5 Data Frame methods

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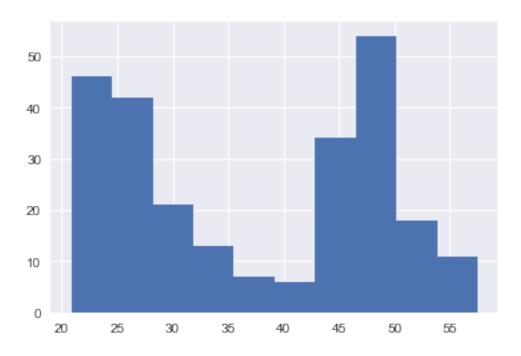
A DataFrame object has many useful methods.

```
In [215]: df.std()
Out[215]: open
                       1.128093e+01
          high
                       1.138111e+01
          low
                       1.113097e+01
          close
                       1.125233e+01
                       1.125233e+01
          adj_close
          volume
                       4.145546e+06
          dtype: float64
In [216]: df.median()
Out[216]: open
                       3.796500e+01
          high
                       3.871500e+01
          low
                       3.637500e+01
          close
                       3.783500e+01
          adj_close
                       3.783500e+01
                       2.354050e+06
          volume
          dtype: float64
In [217]: df.open.mean()
Out [217]: 37.28765869841269
In [218]: df.high.mean()
Out [218]: 38.05464295238094
1.5.1 Plotting methods
In [219]: df.adj_close.plot(label='adj')
          df.low.plot(label='close')
          plt.legend(loc='best')
Out[219]: <matplotlib.legend.Legend at 0x1156e9e80>
```



In [220]: df.adj_close.hist()

Out[220]: <matplotlib.axes._subplots.AxesSubplot at 0x115979cf8>



1.5.2 Bulk Operations

Methods like **sum()** and **std()** work on entire columns.

We can run our own functions across all values in a column (or row) using apply().

```
In [221]: df.info()
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 252 entries, 0 to 251
Data columns (total 7 columns):
             252 non-null object
date
             252 non-null float64
open
             252 non-null float64
high
low
             252 non-null float64
close
             252 non-null float64
             252 non-null float64
adj_close
volume
             252 non-null int64
dtypes: float64(5), int64(1), object(1)
memory usage: 13.9+ KB
In [222]: df.date.head()
Out[222]: 0
               2015-01-02
          1
               2015-01-05
          2
               2015-01-06
          3
               2015-01-07
          4
               2015-01-08
          Name: date, dtype: object
```

The **values** property of the column returns a list of values for the column. Inspecting the first value reveals that these are strings with a particular format.

Each row in a DataFrame is associated with an index, which is a label that uniquely identifies a row.

The row indices so far have been auto-generated by pandas, and are simply integers starting from 0.

From now on we will use dates instead of integers for indices -- the benefits of this will show later.

Overwriting the index is as easy as assigning to the index property of the DataFrame.

```
In [226]: df.index = df.date
         df.head()
Out[226]:
                                               high
                                                                          adj_close \
                          date
                                     open
                                                           low
                                                                    close
         date
         2015-01-02 2015-01-02 55.459999 55.599998 54.240002 55.150002
                                                                          55.150002
         2015-01-05 2015-01-05 54.540001 54.950001 52.330002 52.529999
                                                                          52.529999
         2015-01-06 2015-01-06 52.549999 53.930000 50.750000 52.439999
                                                                          52.439999
         2015-01-07 2015-01-07 53.320000 53.750000 51.759998 52.209999
                                                                          52.209999
         2015-01-08 2015-01-08 52.590000 54.139999 51.759998 53.830002 53.830002
                      volume
         date
         2015-01-02 1664500
         2015-01-05
                     2023000
         2015-01-06
                     3762800
         2015-01-07
                     1548200
         2015-01-08 2015300
```

Now that we have made an index based on date, we can drop the original date column.

```
In [227]: df = df.drop(['date'],axis=1)
          df.info()
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
DatetimeIndex: 252 entries, 2015-01-02 to 2015-12-31
Data columns (total 6 columns):
             252 non-null float64
open
high
             252 non-null float64
low
             252 non-null float64
close
             252 non-null float64
adj_close
             252 non-null float64
             252 non-null int64
volume
dtypes: float64(5), int64(1)
memory usage: 13.8 KB
```

1.5.3 Accessing rows of the DataFrame

So far we've seen how to access a column of the DataFrame. To access a row we use a different notation.

To access a row by its index value, use the .loc() method.

```
In [228]: df.loc[datetime(2015,1,23,0,0)]
Out [228]: open
                        5.466000e+01
          high
                        5.564000e+01
          low
                        5.430000e+01
          close
                        5.519000e+01
          adj_close
                        5.519000e+01
                        1.629000e+06
          volume
          Name: 2015-01-23 00:00:00, dtype: float64
   To access a row by its sequence number (ie, like an array index), use .iloc() ('Integer Loca-
tion')
In [229]: df.iloc[0,:]
Out[229]: open
                        5.546000e+01
          high
                        5.560000e+01
          low
                        5.424000e+01
          close
                        5.515000e+01
          adj_close
                        5.515000e+01
          volume
                        1.664500e+06
          Name: 2015-01-02 00:00:00, dtype: float64
   To iterate over the rows, use .iterrows()
In [230]: num_positive_days = 0
          for idx, row in df.iterrows():
              if row.close > row.open:
                   num_positive_days += 1
          print("The total number of positive-gain days is {}.".format(num_positive_days))
The total number of positive-gain days is 126.
```

1.6 Filtering

It is very easy to select interesting rows from the data.

All these operations below return a new DataFrame, which itself can be treated the same way as all DataFrames we have seen so far.

Summing a Boolean array is the same as counting the number of True values.

```
In [232]: sum(tmp_high)
```

Out[232]: 11

Now, let's select only the rows of df1 that correspond to tmp_high

In [233]: df[tmp_high]

| Out[233]: | | open | high | low | close | adj_close | volume |
|-----------|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|---------|
| | date | | | | | | |
| | 2015-01-02 | 55.459999 | 55.599998 | 54.240002 | 55.150002 | 55.150002 | 1664500 |
| | 2015-01-09 | 55.959999 | 56.990002 | 54.720001 | 56.070000 | 56.070000 | 6222600 |
| | 2015-01-12 | 56.000000 | 56.060001 | 53.430000 | 54.020000 | 54.020000 | 2405100 |
| | 2015-01-22 | 53.869999 | 55.279999 | 53.119999 | 54.799999 | 54.799999 | 2295400 |
| | 2015-01-23 | 54.660000 | 55.639999 | 54.299999 | 55.189999 | 55.189999 | 1629000 |
| | 2015-01-26 | 55.119999 | 55.790001 | 54.830002 | 55.410000 | 55.410000 | 1450300 |
| | 2015-01-27 | 56.060001 | 56.160000 | 54.570000 | 55.630001 | 55.630001 | 2410400 |
| | 2015-01-28 | 56.150002 | 56.150002 | 52.919998 | 53.000000 | 53.000000 | 2013100 |
| | 2015-02-03 | 53.830002 | 55.930000 | 53.410000 | 55.779999 | 55.779999 | 2876400 |
| | 2015-02-04 | 55.529999 | 57.070000 | 55.250000 | 56.740002 | 56.740002 | 2498600 |
| | 2015-02-05 | 57.599998 | 57.700001 | 56.080002 | 57.470001 | 57.470001 | 4657300 |

Putting it all together, we have the following commonly-used patterns:

```
Out [234]:
                         open
                                    high
                                               low
                                                        close adj_close
                                                                          volume
         date
         2015-01-08 52.590000 54.139999 51.759998 53.830002 53.830002
                                                                         2015300
         2015-01-09 55.959999 56.990002 54.720001 56.070000 56.070000
                                                                         6222600
         2015-01-16 50.180000 51.490002 50.029999 51.389999
                                                              51.389999
                                                                         2183300
         2015-01-21 51.200001
                               53.500000 51.200001 53.410000
                                                              53.410000
                                                                         3248100
         2015-01-22 53.869999 55.279999 53.119999 54.799999
                                                              54.799999
                                                                         2295400
```

1.7 Creating new columns

To create a new column, simply assign values to it. Think of the columns as a dictionary:

```
Out [236]:
                                                                                volume
                           open
                                       high
                                                   low
                                                            close
                                                                    adj_close
          date
          2015-01-02
                      55.459999
                                  55.599998 54.240002
                                                        55.150002
                                                                    55.150002
                                                                               1664500
                      54.540001
                                  54.950001
                                             52.330002
                                                        52.529999
                                                                    52.529999
                                                                               2023000
          2015-01-05
          2015-01-06
                      52.549999
                                  53.930000
                                             50.750000
                                                        52.439999
                                                                    52.439999
                                                                               3762800
          2015-01-07
                      53.320000
                                  53.750000
                                             51.759998
                                                        52.209999
                                                                    52.209999
                                                                               1548200
          2015-01-08
                      52.590000
                                  54.139999
                                             51.759998
                                                        53.830002
                                                                    53.830002
                                                                               2015300
                      profit
          date
          2015-01-02
                       False
                       False
          2015-01-05
          2015-01-06
                       False
                       False
          2015-01-07
          2015-01-08
                        True
In [237]: for idx, row in df.iterrows():
              if row.close > row.open:
                  df.loc[idx,'gain']='negative'
              elif (row.open - row.close) < 1:</pre>
                  df.loc[idx,'gain']='small_gain'
              elif (row.open - row.close) < 6:
                  df.loc[idx,'gain']='medium_gain'
              else:
                  df.loc[idx,'gain']='large_gain'
          df.head()
Out [237]:
                                       high
                                                   low
                                                            close
                                                                    adj_close
                                                                                volume
                           open
          date
                      55.459999
                                  55.599998
                                             54.240002
                                                        55.150002
                                                                    55.150002
                                                                               1664500
          2015-01-02
          2015-01-05
                      54.540001
                                  54.950001
                                             52.330002
                                                        52.529999
                                                                    52.529999
                                                                               2023000
          2015-01-06
                      52.549999
                                  53.930000
                                             50.750000
                                                        52.439999
                                                                    52.439999
                                                                               3762800
                                             51.759998
          2015-01-07
                      53.320000
                                  53.750000
                                                        52.209999
                                                                    52.209999
                                                                               1548200
          2015-01-08
                      52.590000
                                  54.139999
                                             51.759998
                                                        53.830002
                                                                    53.830002
                                                                               2015300
                      profit
                                      gain
          date
          2015-01-02
                       False
                                small_gain
                       False
                              medium_gain
          2015-01-05
                                small_gain
          2015-01-06
                       False
          2015-01-07
                       False
                              medium_gain
          2015-01-08
                        True
                                  negative
```

Here is another, more "functional", way to accomplish the same thing. Define a function that classifies rows, and apply it to each row.

```
elif (row.open - row.close) < 1:
                  return 'small_gain'
              elif (row.open - row.close) < 6:
                   return 'medium_gain'
              else:
                  return 'large_gain'
          df['test_column'] = df.apply(namerow, axis = 1)
In [239]: df.head()
Out [239]:
                                                                                  volume
                            open
                                        high
                                                    low
                                                              close
                                                                     adj_close
          date
          2015-01-02
                       55.459999
                                  55.599998
                                              54.240002
                                                          55.150002
                                                                     55.150002
                                                                                 1664500
                       54.540001
                                  54.950001
                                              52.330002
                                                          52.529999
                                                                     52.529999
                                                                                 2023000
          2015-01-05
          2015-01-06
                       52.549999
                                  53.930000
                                              50.750000
                                                          52.439999
                                                                     52.439999
                                                                                 3762800
                       53.320000
                                  53.750000
                                              51.759998
                                                          52.209999
                                                                     52.209999
                                                                                 1548200
          2015-01-07
                       52.590000
                                  54.139999
                                              51.759998
                                                          53.830002
          2015-01-08
                                                                     53.830002
                                                                                 2015300
                       profit
                                       gain test_column
          date
          2015-01-02
                        False
                                small_gain
                                              small_gain
          2015-01-05
                        False
                               medium_gain
                                             medium_gain
          2015-01-06
                        False
                                small_gain
                                              small_gain
                        False medium_gain
                                             medium_gain
          2015-01-07
          2015-01-08
                         True
                                  negative
                                                negative
   OK, point made, let's get rid of that extraneous test_column:
In [240]: df.drop('test_column', axis = 1)
Out [240]:
                            open
                                        high
                                                    low
                                                              close
                                                                     adj_close
                                                                                   volume \
          date
                       55.459999
                                  55.599998
                                              54.240002
                                                          55.150002
                                                                     55.150002
                                                                                  1664500
          2015-01-02
                                                          52.529999
          2015-01-05
                       54.540001
                                  54.950001
                                              52.330002
                                                                     52.529999
                                                                                  2023000
                       52.549999
                                                          52.439999
          2015-01-06
                                  53.930000
                                              50.750000
                                                                     52.439999
                                                                                  3762800
          2015-01-07
                       53.320000
                                  53.750000
                                              51.759998
                                                          52.209999
                                                                     52.209999
                                                                                  1548200
                       52.590000
                                  54.139999
          2015-01-08
                                              51.759998
                                                          53.830002
                                                                     53.830002
                                                                                  2015300
          2015-01-09
                       55.959999
                                  56.990002
                                              54.720001
                                                          56.070000
                                                                     56.070000
                                                                                  6222600
                       56.000000
                                              53.430000
                                                                     54.020000
          2015-01-12
                                  56.060001
                                                          54.020000
                                                                                  2405100
          2015-01-13
                       54.470001
                                  54.799999
                                              52.520000
                                                          53.180000
                                                                     53.180000
                                                                                  1952100
          2015-01-14
                       52.799999
                                  53.680000
                                              51.459999
                                                          52.200001
                                                                     52.200001
                                                                                  1854600
                       53.000000
                                              50.029999
          2015-01-15
                                  53.610001
                                                          50.119999
                                                                     50.119999
                                                                                  2647800
          2015-01-16
                       50.180000
                                  51.490002
                                              50.029999
                                                          51.389999
                                                                     51.389999
                                                                                  2183300
          2015-01-20
                       51.650002
                                  51.779999
                                              50.689999
                                                          51.410000
                                                                     51.410000
                                                                                  1227600
          2015-01-21
                       51.200001
                                  53.500000
                                              51.200001
                                                          53.410000
                                                                     53.410000
                                                                                  3248100
          2015-01-22
                       53.869999
                                  55.279999
                                              53.119999
                                                          54.799999
                                                                     54.799999
                                                                                  2295400
                                  55.639999
                                              54.299999
          2015-01-23
                       54.660000
                                                          55.189999
                                                                     55.189999
                                                                                  1629000
          2015-01-26
                      55.119999
                                  55.790001
                                              54.830002
                                                          55.410000
                                                                     55.410000
                                                                                  1450300
```

| 2015-01-27 | 56.060001 | 56.160000 | 54.570000 | 55.630001 | 55.630001 | 2410400 |
|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------|
| 2015-01-28 | 56.150002 | 56.150002 | 52.919998 | 53.000000 | 53.000000 | 2013100 |
| 2015-01-29 | 52.849998 | 53.310001 | 51.410000 | 52.930000 | 52.930000 | 1844100 |
| 2015-01-30 | 52.590000 | 53.419998 | 52.049999 | 52.470001 | 52.470001 | 1875400 |
| 2015-02-02 | 52.939999 | 53.500000 | 51.209999 | 53.470001 | 53.470001 | 2105500 |
| 2015-02-03 | 53.830002 | 55.930000 | 53.410000 | 55.779999 | 55.779999 | 2876400 |
| 2015-02-04 | 55.529999 | 57.070000 | 55.250000 | 56.740002 | 56.740002 | 2498600 |
| 2015-02-05 | 57.599998 | 57.700001 | 56.080002 | 57.470001 | 57.470001 | 4657300 |
| 2015-02-06 | 47.700001 | 48.169998 | 44.860001 | 45.110001 | 45.110001 | 25137400 |
| 2015-02-09 | 44.910000 | 45.040001 | 42.099998 | 42.169998 | 42.169998 | 13079300 |
| 2015-02-10 | 43.830002 | 45.549999 | 43.310001 | 44.660000 | 44.660000 | 11267700 |
| 2015-02-11 | 45.389999 | 46.430000 | 44.810001 | 46.180000 | 46.180000 | 6359400 |
| 2015-02-12 | 46.450001 | 47.840000 | 45.950001 | 47.630001 | 47.630001 | 4375000 |
| 2015-02-13 | 48.509998 | 49.049999 | 47.220001 | 47.529999 | 47.529999 | 4713100 |
| | | | | | | |
| 2015-11-18 | 27.540001 | 28.830000 | 27.309999 | 28.230000 | 28.230000 | 3091600 |
| 2015-11-19 | 28.190001 | 28.690001 | 27.910000 | 28.059999 | 28.059999 | 1487500 |
| 2015-11-20 | 28.100000 | 31.250000 | 28.049999 | 31.209999 | 31.209999 | 6697500 |
| 2015-11-23 | 30.580000 | 30.809999 | 29.150000 | 29.860001 | 29.860001 | 4029900 |
| 2015-11-24 | 29.459999 | 30.629999 | 29.450001 | 30.010000 | 30.010000 | 2584500 |
| 2015-11-25 | 29.790001 | 30.540001 | 29.709999 | 30.510000 | 30.510000 | 1287100 |
| 2015-11-27 | 30.500000 | 30.600000 | 29.610001 | 30.180000 | 30.180000 | 1058900 |
| 2015-11-30 | 30.110001 | 30.719999 | 29.770000 | 30.129999 | 30.129999 | 2015600 |
| 2015-12-01 | 30.110001 | 30.459999 | 29.799999 | 30.309999 | 30.309999 | 1886000 |
| 2015-12-02 | 30.299999 | 32.470001 | 30.290001 | 31.389999 | 31.389999 | 4650300 |
| 2015-12-03 | 31.389999 | 32.240002 | 30.480000 | 30.629999 | 30.629999 | 2698900 |
| 2015-12-04 | 30.530001 | 30.860001 | 29.320000 | 30.450001 | 30.450001 | 2313800 |
| 2015-12-07 | 30.379999 | 30.639999 | 29.629999 | 30.040001 | 30.040001 | 1362300 |
| 2015-12-08 | 29.809999 | 31.379999 | 29.500000 | 30.920000 | 30.920000 | 1830200 |
| 2015-12-09 | 30.980000 | 31.139999 | 29.260000 | 30.000000 | 30.000000 | 2238500 |
| 2015-12-10 | 30.110001 | 31.299999 | 29.990000 | 30.830000 | 30.830000 | 1251800 |
| 2015-12-11 | 30.690001 | 30.750000 | 29.600000 | 29.650000 | 29.650000 | 1415000 |
| 2015-12-14 | 29.600000 | 29.889999 | 28.850000 | 29.580000 | 29.580000 | 2328600 |
| 2015-12-15 | 29.680000 | 30.000000 | 26.459999 | 26.870001 | 26.870001 | 5759200 |
| 2015-12-16 | 26.889999 | 28.240000 | 26.260000 | 28.030001 | 28.030001 | 2992100 |
| 2015-12-17 | 28.139999 | 28.320000 | 27.190001 | 27.420000 | 27.420000 | 1483900 |
| 2015-12-18 | 27.309999 | 27.910000 | 26.900000 | 27.170000 | 27.170000 | 1299800 |
| 2015-12-21 | 27.170000 | 27.360001 | 26.030001 | 26.250000 | 26.250000 | 1947600 |
| 2015-12-22 | 26.250000 | 28.700001 | 26.150000 | 27.930000 | 27.930000 | 2952700 |
| 2015-12-23 | 27.950001 | 28.420000 | 27.440001 | 28.150000 | 28.150000 | 1001000 |
| 2015-12-24 | 28.270000 | 28.590000 | 27.900000 | 28.400000 | 28.400000 | 587400 |
| 2015-12-28 | 28.120001 | 28.379999 | 27.770000 | 27.879999 | 27.879999 | 1004500 |
| 2015-12-29 | 27.950001 | 28.540001 | 27.740000 | 28.480000 | 28.480000 | 1103900 |
| 2015-12-30 | 28.580000 | 28.780001 | 28.170000 | 28.250000 | 28.250000 | 1068000 |
| 2015-12-31 | 28.100000 | 28.969999 | 28.020000 | 28.799999 | 28.799999 | 1295600 |
| | | | | | | |

profit gain

date

| 2015-01-02 | False | $small_gain$ |
|------------|-------|------------------------|
| 2015-01-05 | False | ${\tt medium_gain}$ |
| 2015-01-06 | False | ${\tt small_gain}$ |
| 2015-01-07 | False | medium_gain |
| 2015-01-08 | True | negative |
| 2015-01-09 | True | negative |
| 2015-01-12 | False | medium_gain |
| 2015-01-13 | False | medium_gain |
| 2015-01-14 | False | small_gain |
| 2015-01-15 | False | medium_gain |
| 2015-01-16 | True | negative |
| 2015-01-20 | False | small_gain |
| 2015-01-21 | True | negative |
| 2015-01-22 | True | negative |
| 2015-01-23 | True | negative |
| 2015-01-26 | True | negative |
| 2015-01-27 | False | small_gain |
| 2015-01-28 | False | medium_gain |
| 2015-01-29 | True | negative |
| 2015-01-30 | False | small_gain |
| 2015-02-02 | True | negative |
| 2015-02-03 | True | negative |
| 2015-02-04 | True | negative |
| 2015-02-05 | False | small_gain |
| 2015-02-06 | False | medium_gain |
| 2015-02-09 | False | medium_gain |
| 2015-02-10 | True | negative |
| 2015-02-10 | True | negative |
| 2015-02-12 | True | negative |
| 2015-02-12 | False | small_gain |
| 2010-02-10 | | 9 |
| 2015-11-18 | True | negative |
| 2015-11-19 | False | small_gain |
| 2015-11-19 | True | |
| 2015-11-20 | False | negative |
| 2015-11-23 | True | small_gain negative |
| 2015-11-24 | True | • |
| 2015-11-25 | | negative |
| | False | small_gain |
| 2015-11-30 | True | negative |
| 2015-12-01 | True | negative |
| 2015-12-02 | True | negative |
| 2015-12-03 | False | small_gain |
| 2015-12-04 | False | small_gain |
| 2015-12-07 | False | small_gain |
| 2015-12-08 | True | negative |
| 2015-12-09 | False | small_gain |
| 2015-12-10 | True | negative |
| 2015-12-11 | False | medium_gain |
| | | |

```
2015-12-14
             False
                     small_gain
2015-12-15
             False
                    medium_gain
              True
                       negative
2015-12-16
             False
                     small_gain
2015-12-17
                     small_gain
2015-12-18
             False
                     small_gain
2015-12-21
             False
2015-12-22
             True
                       negative
2015-12-23
              True
                       negative
2015-12-24
              True
                       negative
2015-12-28
             False
                     small_gain
2015-12-29
              True
                       negative
2015-12-30
             False
                      small_gain
                        negative
2015-12-31
              True
```

[252 rows x 8 columns]

1.8 Grouping

An **extremely** powerful DataFrame method is groupby().

This is entirely analogous to GROUP BY in SQL.

It will group the rows of a DataFrame by the values in one (or more) columns, and let you iterate through each group.

Here we will look at the average gain among the categories of gains (negative, small, medium and large) we defined above and stored in column gain.

```
In [241]: gain_groups = df.groupby('gain')
```

Essentially, gain_groups behaves like a dictionary * whose keys are the unique values found in the gain column, and * whose values are DataFrames that contain only the rows having the corresponding unique values.

```
In [242]: for gain, gain_data in gain_groups:
             print(gain)
             print(gain_data.head())
             print('======"')
medium_gain
                                               close adj_close
                                                                 volume
                          high
                                      low
                open
date
2015-01-05 54.540001
                     54.950001
                                52.330002
                                           52.529999
                                                     52.529999
                                                                2023000
2015-01-07 53.320000
                     53.750000
                                51.759998
                                           52.209999
                                                     52.209999
                                                                1548200
2015-01-12 56.000000 56.060001
                                53.430000
                                           54.020000 54.020000
                                                                2405100
2015-01-13 54.470001
                     54.799999
                                52.520000
                                           53.180000
                                                     53.180000
                                                               1952100
2015-01-15 53.000000 53.610001
                                50.029999
                                           50.119999 50.119999
                                                                2647800
           profit
                         gain test_column
date
2015-01-05
                   medium_gain medium_gain
            False
                   medium_gain medium_gain
2015-01-07
            False
```

```
2015-01-13
            False
                   medium_gain medium_gain
2015-01-15
                   medium_gain
                               medium_gain
            False
negative
                           high
                                       low
                                               close adj_close
                                                                  volume
                open
date
2015-01-08
           52.590000
                      54.139999
                                 51.759998
                                           53.830002 53.830002
                                                                 2015300
2015-01-09 55.959999
                      56.990002
                                 54.720001
                                           56.070000 56.070000
                                                                 6222600
2015-01-16 50.180000
                      51.490002
                                 50.029999
                                           51.389999
                                                      51.389999
                                                                 2183300
2015-01-21 51.200001 53.500000
                                 51.200001
                                           53.410000 53.410000
                                                                 3248100
2015-01-22 53.869999
                      55.279999
                                 53.119999
                                           54.799999 54.799999
                                                                 2295400
           profit
                       gain test_column
date
2015-01-08
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2015-01-09
             True
                   negative
                               negative
2015-01-16
             True
                   negative
                               negative
                   negative
2015-01-21
             True
                               negative
2015-01-22
                   negative
                               negative
             True
small_gain
                open
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                                       low
                                               close adj_close
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date
2015-01-02 55.459999
                      55.599998
                                 54.240002
                                           55.150002 55.150002
                                                                 1664500
2015-01-06 52.549999
                      53.930000
                                 50.750000
                                           52.439999 52.439999
                                                                 3762800
2015-01-14 52.799999
                      53.680000
                                           52.200001 52.200001
                                 51.459999
                                                                 1854600
2015-01-20 51.650002
                      51.779999
                                 50.689999
                                           51.410000
                                                      51.410000
                                                                1227600
2015-01-27 56.060001 56.160000 54.570000
                                           55.630001 55.630001
                                                                 2410400
           profit
                         gain test_column
date
2015-01-02
            False
                   small_gain
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                               small_gain
2015-01-06
                   small_gain
            False
                   small_gain
                               small_gain
2015-01-14
            False
2015-01-20
            False
                   small_gain
                               small_gain
2015-01-27
            False
                   small_gain
                               small_gain
In [243]: for gain, gain_data in df.groupby("gain"):
             print('The average closing value for the {} group is {}'.format(gain,
                                                                   gain_data.close.mean()))
```

2015-01-12

False

medium_gain medium_gain

The average closing value for the medium_gain group is 41.008888629629624 The average closing value for the negative group is 37.213571404761886 The average closing value for the small_gain group is 36.39636363636365

1.9 Other Pandas Classes

A DataFrame is essentially an annotated 2-D array.

Pandas also has annotated versions of 1-D and 3-D arrays.

A 1-D array in Pandas is called a Series.

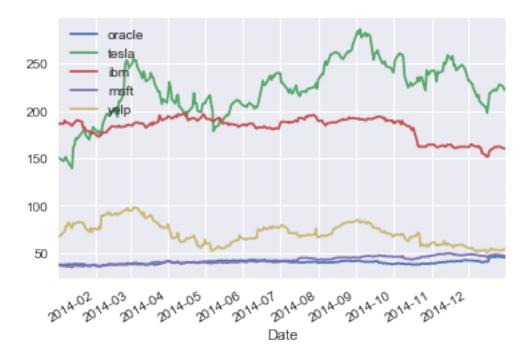
A 3-D array in Pandas is called a Panel.

To use these, read the documentation!

1.10 Comparing multiple stocks

As a last task, we will use the experience we obtained so far -- and learn some new things -- in order to compare the performance of different stocks we obtained from Yahoo finance.

```
In [244]: stocks = ['ORCL', 'TSLA', 'IBM', 'YELP', 'MSFT']
          attr = 'Close'
          df = web.DataReader(stocks,
                              data_source,
                              start=datetime(2014, 1, 1),
                              end=datetime(2014, 12, 31))[attr]
          df.head()
Out [244]:
                             IBM
                                       MSFT
                                                  ORCL
                                                              TSLA
                                                                         YELP
         Date
          2014-12-31
                                             44.970001
                                                        222.410004 54.730000
                      160.440002
                                 46.450001
          2014-12-30
                      160.050003
                                 47.020000
                                             45.340000 222.229996
                                                                    54.240002
          2014-12-29
                     160.509995
                                  47.450001
                                             45.610001 225.710007
                                                                    53.009998
          2014-12-26 162.339996 47.880001
                                             46.099998 227.820007
                                                                    52.939999
          2014-12-24 161.820007 48.139999
                                             46.230000 222.259995 53.000000
In [245]: df.ORCL.plot(label = 'oracle')
          df.TSLA.plot(label = 'tesla')
          df.IBM.plot(label = 'ibm')
          df.MSFT.plot(label = 'msft')
          df.YELP.plot(label = 'yelp')
          _ = plt.legend(loc='best')
```



Next, we will calculate returns over a period of length *T*, defined as:

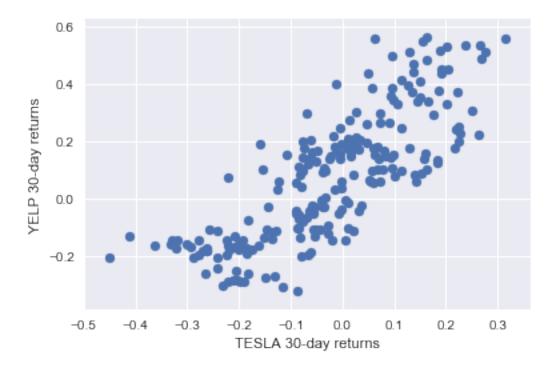
$$r(t) = \frac{f(t) - f(t - T)}{f(t)}$$

The returns can be computed with a simple DataFrame method pct_change(). Note that for the first *T* timesteps, this value is not defined (of course):

| Out[246]: | | IBM | MSFT | ORCL | TSLA | YELP |
|-----------|------------|-----------|----------|-----------|----------|----------|
| | Date | | | | | |
| | 2014-11-24 | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN |
| | 2014-11-21 | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN |
| | 2014-11-20 | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN |
| | 2014-11-19 | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN |
| | 2014-11-18 | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN |
| | 2014-11-17 | 0.023186 | 0.064801 | -0.084723 | 0.141945 | 0.059748 |
| | 2014-11-14 | 0.025679 | 0.054445 | -0.099250 | 0.164019 | 0.102876 |
| | 2014-11-13 | 0.014205 | 0.045522 | -0.107213 | 0.115148 | 0.096020 |
| | 2014-11-12 | -0.002587 | 0.018797 | -0.129284 | 0.093407 | 0.144314 |
| | 2014-11-11 | 0.009146 | 0.015164 | -0.124594 | 0.129668 | 0.175660 |

Now we'll plot the timeseries of the returns of the different stocks. Notice that the NaN values are gracefully dropped by the plotting function.

```
In [247]: rets.ORCL.plot(label = 'oracle')
          rets.TSLA.plot(label = 'tesla')
          rets.IBM.plot(label = 'ibm')
          rets.MSFT.plot(label = 'msft')
          rets.YELP.plot(label = 'yelp')
          _ = plt.legend(loc='best')
          0.6
                                               oracle
                                               tesla
           0.4
                                               ibm
                                               msft
                                               yelp
           0.2
           0.0
          -0.2
```



There appears to be some (fairly strong) correlation between the movement of TSLA and YELP stocks. Let's measure this.

The correlation coefficient between variables *X* and *Y* is defined as follows:

$$Corr(X,Y) = \frac{E[(X - \mu_X)(Y - \mu_Y)]}{\sigma_X \sigma_Y}$$

Pandas provides a DataFrame method to compute the correlation coefficient of all pairs of columns: corr().

In [249]: rets.corr()

| Out[249]: | | IBM | MSFT | ORCL | TSLA | YELP |
|-----------|------|----------|----------|-----------|----------|-----------|
| | IBM | 1.000000 | 0.321583 | 0.042213 | 0.208735 | 0.103837 |
| | MSFT | 0.321583 | 1.000000 | 0.130515 | 0.492674 | 0.282827 |
| | ORCL | 0.042213 | 0.130515 | 1.000000 | 0.032724 | -0.065211 |
| | TSLA | 0.208735 | 0.492674 | 0.032724 | 1.000000 | 0.800936 |
| | YELP | 0.103837 | 0.282827 | -0.065211 | 0.800936 | 1.000000 |

It takes a bit of time to examine that table and draw conclusions.

To speed that process up it helps to visualize the table.

We will learn more about visualization later, but for now this is a simple example.

In [250]: _ = sns.heatmap(rets.corr(), annot=True)



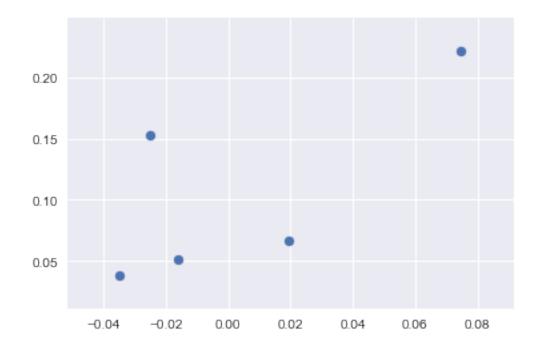
Finally, it is important to know that the plotting performed by Pandas is just a layer on top of matplotlib (i.e., the plt package).

So Panda's plots can (and should) be replaced or improved by using additional functions from matplotlib.

For example, suppose we want to know both the returns as well as the standard deviation of the returns of a stock (i.e., its risk).

Here is visualization of the result of such an analysis, and we construct the plot using only functions from matplotlib.

```
In [251]: _ = plt.scatter(rets.mean(), rets.std())
    # plt.xlabel('Expected returns')
    # plt.ylabel('Standard Deviation (Risk)')
    # for label, x, y in zip(rets.columns, rets.mean(), rets.std()):
    # plt.annotate(
    # label,
    # xy = (x, y), xytext = (20, -20),
    # textcoords = 'offset points', ha = 'right', va = 'bottom',
    # bbox = dict(boxstyle = 'round, pad=0.5', fc = 'yellow', alpha = 0.5),
    # arrowprops = dict(arrowstyle = '->', connectionstyle = 'arc3, rad=0'))
```



To understand what these functions are doing, (especially the annotate function), you will need to consult the online documentation for matplotlib. Just use Google to find it.