

Pandas Data Frames

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Pandas is a python implementation of the R or SQL style data frame or data table

Indexing is a bit different, and there are some other "wrinkles" to it

There are a lot of member functions (aka methods) in Pandas to do a lot of basic data processing

Pandas data frames have variables along columns, which can be of different types

More resources

<https://pandas.pydata.org/>

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In [6]: import pandas as pd
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we will load a data frame describing public wifi access sites in Boston

the file is called wicked_free_wifi_boston.csv

There is a read_csv function in pandas, that will attempt to assign variable types to columns

You will need to insert the full file path into the variable infile below, or make sure that the file is in the current working directory

below is the command from the os library to show the current working directory

we can use os.chdir() to change the current working directory

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In [8]: import os  
  
os.getcwd()
```

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Out[8]: 'C:\\Users\\Luke\\Documents\\Class5002\\Module_2\\Pair Programming'
```

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In [9]: infile="Wicked_Free_WiFi_Locations.csv"  
  
wifi=pd.read_csv(infile)
```

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In [10]: # head function, called as a method belonging to the dataframe (a python object) called wifi  
# wifi is said to be an instance of a python dataframe  
  
wifi.head(7)
```

Out[10]:

	X	Y	neighborhood_id	neighborhood_name	device_serial
0	NaN	NaN	L_601230550253963849	Mobile WiFi Kit 1	Q3AK-SUL7-7FC4
1	NaN	NaN	L_601230550253963849	Mobile WiFi Kit 1	Q2ZY-RF99-YN45
2	-7.912255e+06	5.206228e+06	L_601230550253964116	Nubian-Bus-Stop	Q3AE-QFTK-E55W
3	NaN	NaN	L_601230550253964116	Nubian-Bus-Stop	Q3AK-DU9C-2UXZ
4	NaN	NaN	L_601230550253964116	Nubian-Bus-Stop	Q3AK-FGAN-3AR9
5	-7.913037e+06	5.209642e+06	N_568579452955527921	Parks	Q2EK-4PWN-GALS
6	-7.913800e+06	5.210828e+06	N_579275502070532581	Roxbury	Q2CK-SSY2-PBYW

In [11]:

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#unlike the R data frames, head doesn't show us the data types
# we need to do that manually, looking at the attribute dtypes

wifi.dtypes
```

Out[11]:

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X          float64
Y          float64
neighborhood_id  object
neighborhood_name  object
device_serial    object
device_connectedto  object
device_address    object
device_lat        float64
device_long       float64
device_tags       object
etl_updatedtimestamp  object
is_current        int64
org1              object
org2              object
inside_outside    object
landmark          object
ObjectId          int64
dtype: object
```

What is the data type "object" in Pandas

An object is a string storage form

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In [13]: # Generating a Summary
# describes only numeric values

wifi.describe()
```

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Out[13]:
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	X	Y	device_lat	device_long	is_current	ObjectId
count	2.830000e+02	2.830000e+02	283.000000	283.000000	297.0	297.000000
mean	-7.912135e+06	5.210210e+06	42.327796	-71.075917	1.0	149.000000
std	3.034883e+03	4.447129e+03	0.029537	0.027263	0.0	85.880731
min	-7.922403e+06	5.198613e+06	42.250739	-71.168161	1.0	1.000000
25%	-7.913761e+06	5.207725e+06	42.311295	-71.090520	1.0	75.000000
50%	-7.912078e+06	5.210305e+06	42.328431	-71.075407	1.0	149.000000
75%	-7.910171e+06	5.214371e+06	42.355431	-71.058271	1.0	223.000000
max	-7.904348e+06	5.218989e+06	42.386080	-71.005970	1.0	297.000000

Subsetting and slicing in pandas

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In [15]: #accessing a column, there are several options

n_name=wifi.neighborhood_name
w_address=wifi["device_address"]
```

Pandas series

If we extract a column it is in the form of a pandas data series, which still has a lot of pandas style member functions

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In [17]: type(n_name)
```

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Out[17]: pandas.core.series.Series
```

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In [18]: # we can convert this to a list, using a member function

n_name_list=n_name.to_list()
type(n_name_list)
```

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Out[18]: list
```

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In [19]: # dimensions of a dataframe are obtained using the attribute shape
print(wifi.shape)
```

```
print(n_name.shape)
```

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(297, 17)
```

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(297,)
```

```
In [20]: #indexing several columns
```

```
wifi[["X", "Y"]].head()
```

```
Out[20]:
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	X	Y
0	NaN	NaN
1	NaN	NaN
2	-7.912255e+06	5.206228e+06
3	NaN	NaN
4	NaN	NaN

Question/Action

use head to show the first 5 rows of the neighborhood id and name

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In [22]: wifi.head
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Out[22]: <bound method NDFrame.head of
d neighborhood_name \
0      NaN      NaN L_601230550253963849 Mobile WiFi Kit 1
1      NaN      NaN L_601230550253963849 Mobile WiFi Kit 1
2 -7.912255e+06 5.206228e+06 L_601230550253964116 Nubian-Bus-Stop
3      NaN      NaN L_601230550253964116 Nubian-Bus-Stop
4      NaN      NaN L_601230550253964116 Nubian-Bus-Stop
..      ...      ...      ...      ...
292 -7.910789e+06 5.214371e+06 N_601230550253961607 Maintenance
293 -7.912997e+06 5.210562e+06 N_601230550253961809 Bolling
294 -7.912997e+06 5.210562e+06 N_601230550253961809 Bolling
295 -7.912997e+06 5.210562e+06 N_601230550253961809 Bolling
296 -7.912997e+06 5.210562e+06 N_601230550253961809 Bolling

      device_serial      device_connectedto \
0 Q3AK-SUL7-7FC4      MR76-1
1 Q2ZY-RF99-YN45      MG41-1
2 Q3AE-QFTK-E55W      ROX-Nubian-AP1
3 Q3AK-DU9C-2UXZ      ROX-Nubian_AP6
4 Q3AK-FGAN-3AR9      ROX-Nubian_AP7
..      ...      ...
292 Q2CK-N8A5-VD4F PARKS-COMMONWEST-AP3
293 Q2FD-MTWE-FN62 BOL-WELCOMELobby-AP1
294 Q2FD-6RML-C4S6 BOL-SCHLOBBY-AP1
295 Q2FD-3YYZ-LW7E BOL-PUBLOBBY-AP1
296 Q2FD-3Q7F-9C4J BOL-FOYER-AP1

      device_address      device_lat      device_long \
0      NaN      NaN      NaN
1      NaN      NaN      NaN
2 247 Washington St, Boston, MA 02121 42.301350 -71.077000
3      NaN      NaN      NaN
4      NaN      NaN      NaN
..      ...      ...      ...
292 139 Tremont St, Boston, MA 02111 42.355431 -71.063828
293 2300 Washington St., Roxbury 02119 42.330141 -71.083664
294 2300 Washington St., Roxbury 02119 42.330141 -71.083664
295 2300 Washington St., Roxbury 02119 42.330141 -71.083664
296 2300 Washington St., Roxbury 02119 42.330141 -71.083664

      device_tags      etl_updatedtimestamp \
0      [] 2024/08/20 04:31:34+00
1      [] 2024/08/20 04:31:34+00
2 ['recently-added'] 2024/08/20 04:31:38+00
3      [] 2024/08/20 04:31:38+00
4      [] 2024/08/20 04:31:38+00
..      ...      ...
292 ['recently-added'] 2024/08/20 04:31:46+00
293 ['Bolling', 'CoB-Employee', 'Inside'] 2024/08/20 04:31:46+00
294 ['Bolling', 'CoB-Employee', 'Inside'] 2024/08/20 04:31:46+00
295 ['Bolling', 'Inside'] 2024/08/20 04:31:46+00
296 ['Bolling', 'CoB-Employee', 'Inside'] 2024/08/20 04:31:46+00

      is_current org1 org2 inside_outside      landmark      ObjectId
0      1      NaN      NaN      NaN      NaN      1
1      1      NaN      NaN      NaN      NaN      2

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2	1	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	3
3	1	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	4
4	1	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	5
...
292	1	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	293
293	1	NaN	NaN	Inside	Bolling CoB Employee	294
294	1	NaN	NaN	Inside	Bolling CoB Employee	295
295	1	NaN	NaN	Inside	Bolling	296
296	1	NaN	NaN	Inside	Bolling CoB Employee	297

[297 rows x 17 columns]>

In [23]: *#Basic calculations*

```
print(wifi.device_lat.max())
print(wifi.device_lat.min())
print(wifi.device_lat.mean())
```

42.38608
42.2507393
42.32779576223686

In [24]: *# filtering rows using conditional dependence*

```
#let's find all devices with latitude above 42.3271405

above_wifi=wifi[wifi.device_lat>=42.3271405]
above_wifi.head()
```

Out[24]:

	X	Y	neighborhood_id	neighborhood_name	device_serial
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6	-7.913800e+06	5.210828e+06	N_579275502070532581	Roxbury	Q2CK-SSY2-PBYW
7	-7.913800e+06	5.210828e+06	N_579275502070532581	Roxbury	Q2CK-SU8N-5VU8
15	-7.912357e+06	5.210581e+06	N_579275502070532581	Roxbury	Q2CK-HDFV-VYBC
18	-7.912846e+06	5.210317e+06	N_579275502070532581	Roxbury	Q2CK-SF4S-8JL2
20	-7.912858e+06	5.210361e+06	N_579275502070532581	Roxbury	Q2CK-MR56-4QY6



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In [25]: #slicing by values in a set, notice that pandas has a isin() member function for th  
wifi[wifi.neighborhood_name.isin(["Parks", "Charlestown"])]
```

Out[25]:

	X	Y	neighborhood_id	neighborhood_name	device_serial
5	-7.913037e+06	5.209642e+06	N_568579452955527921	Parks	Q2EK-4PWN-GAL
28	-7.910979e+06	5.214437e+06	N_568579452955527921	Parks	Q3AK-CVAI-CUZ
44	-7.916707e+06	5.202882e+06	N_568579452955527921	Parks	Q2AK-U4TT-J95
188	-7.910482e+06	5.218089e+06	N_568579452955538062	Charlestown	Q2CK-V3LS-5V6
202	-7.910805e+06	5.214387e+06	N_568579452955527921	Parks	Q3AK-DGSZ-GM7
203	-7.911261e+06	5.214274e+06	N_568579452955527921	Parks	Q3AK-EK6L-T4F
205	-7.910482e+06	5.218089e+06	N_568579452955538062	Charlestown	Q2CK-CWUN-RBG
214	-7.911012e+06	5.214442e+06	N_568579452955527921	Parks	Q3AK-DRLE-LEZ
223	-7.910482e+06	5.218089e+06	N_568579452955538062	Charlestown	Q2CK-SNTE-WJW
226	-7.911133e+06	5.214283e+06	N_568579452955527921	Parks	Q3AK-CR6H-YPB
227	-7.916761e+06	5.208413e+06	N_568579452955527921	Parks	Q2CK-7ANL-RF7
228	-7.910954e+06	5.213995e+06	N_568579452955527921	Parks	Q3AK-CR9Z-A95
229	-7.916761e+06	5.208413e+06	N_568579452955527921	Parks	Q2CD-6YGI-H7P

	X	Y	neighborhood_id	neighborhood_name	device_serial
230	-7.910787e+06	5.214274e+06	N_568579452955527921	Parks	Q3A8 DGWD-NEF
231	-7.910746e+06	5.214357e+06	N_568579452955527921	Parks	Q3A8 CVAW H5UI
240	-7.916761e+06	5.208413e+06	N_568579452955527921	Parks	Q2CK-7CSF NUQ
241	-7.911216e+06	5.214476e+06	N_568579452955527921	Parks	Q3A8 CRWB-RXV
242	-7.910801e+06	5.214373e+06	N_568579452955527921	Parks	Q3A8 CQWK-ZYF

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In [26]: # there is also a str.contains function, which searches for a regex string within t
# we will talk about regex in more detail later

# notice the use of .str.contains(), a string function within pandas

# see https://pandas.pydata.org/docs/user_guide/text.html for a bunch of examples o
wifi[wifi.neighborhood_name.str.contains("town")]
```

Out[26]:

	X	Y	neighborhood_id	neighborhood_name	device_serial
53	-7.910171e+06	5.215103e+06	N_601230550253961310	Downtown Boston - City Hall - Quincy Market	Q3AE-4FLA SJC
54	-7.910171e+06	5.215103e+06	N_601230550253961310	Downtown Boston - City Hall - Quincy Market	Q3AE-HJRC D68
55	-7.909698e+06	5.215107e+06	N_601230550253961310	Downtown Boston - City Hall - Quincy Market	Q3AE-ARNE HFA
56	-7.909702e+06	5.215082e+06	N_601230550253961310	Downtown Boston - City Hall - Quincy Market	Q3AE- PMFQ-JUX
57	-7.910171e+06	5.215103e+06	N_601230550253961310	Downtown Boston - City Hall - Quincy Market	Q3AE-3S8E CZF
58	-7.909943e+06	5.215065e+06	N_601230550253961310	Downtown Boston - City Hall - Quincy Market	Q3AK-C98I JUR
59	-7.910171e+06	5.215103e+06	N_601230550253961310	Downtown Boston - City Hall - Quincy Market	Q3AE-TBT5 D72
61	-7.909943e+06	5.215065e+06	N_601230550253961310	Downtown Boston - City Hall - Quincy Market	Q3AK- D5DU-9HS
62	-7.910171e+06	5.215103e+06	N_601230550253961310	Downtown Boston - City Hall - Quincy Market	Q3AE-ZUF3 Y73
69	-7.909890e+06	5.215063e+06	N_601230550253961310	Downtown Boston - City Hall - Quincy Market	Q3AE-F6RV VVH
70	-7.910171e+06	5.215103e+06	N_601230550253961310	Downtown Boston - City Hall - Quincy Market	Q3AE-ZXW6 H9ZV
71	-7.910171e+06	5.215103e+06	N_601230550253961310	Downtown Boston - City Hall - Quincy Market	Q3AE-3A2V JNV
152	-7.910171e+06	5.215103e+06	N_601230550253966673	Downtown Boston - City Hall Plaza and Pavilion	Q3AE-JBPI DSN
153	-7.910171e+06	5.215103e+06	N_601230550253966673	Downtown Boston - City Hall Plaza and Pavilion	Q3AE-ZDP2 2LN

	X	Y	neighborhood_id	neighborhood_name	device_serial
154	-7.910171e+06	5.215103e+06	N_601230550253966673	Downtown Boston - City Hall Plaza and Pavilion	Q3AE-QYJ5 RXI
155	-7.910171e+06	5.215103e+06	N_601230550253966673	Downtown Boston - City Hall Plaza and Pavilion	Q3AE-2N4M BWU
156	-7.910171e+06	5.215103e+06	N_601230550253966673	Downtown Boston - City Hall Plaza and Pavilion	Q3AE-TF7L TX4
157	-7.910171e+06	5.215103e+06	N_601230550253966673	Downtown Boston - City Hall Plaza and Pavilion	Q3AE-95X2 766
158	-7.910171e+06	5.215103e+06	N_601230550253966673	Downtown Boston - City Hall Plaza and Pavilion	Q3AE-M6T7 MFW
159	-7.910171e+06	5.215103e+06	N_601230550253966673	Downtown Boston - City Hall Plaza and Pavilion	Q3AE-R6BC D5K
160	-7.910171e+06	5.215103e+06	N_601230550253966673	Downtown Boston - City Hall Plaza and Pavilion	Q3AE-M9Y5 PAT
161	-7.910171e+06	5.215103e+06	N_601230550253966673	Downtown Boston - City Hall Plaza and Pavilion	Q3AE-E75T LLQ
162	-7.910171e+06	5.215103e+06	N_601230550253966673	Downtown Boston - City Hall Plaza and Pavilion	Q3AE-BFV5 YGN
163	-7.910171e+06	5.215103e+06	N_601230550253966673	Downtown Boston - City Hall Plaza and Pavilion	Q3AE-8YNT BM6
164	-7.910171e+06	5.215103e+06	N_601230550253966673	Downtown Boston - City Hall Plaza and Pavilion	Q3AE-CANN-4NE
167	-7.910171e+06	5.215103e+06	N_601230550253966673	Downtown Boston - City Hall Plaza and Pavilion	Q3AE-2F27 DVJ
168	-7.910171e+06	5.215103e+06	N_601230550253966673	Downtown Boston - City Hall Plaza and Pavilion	Q3AE-EETC KYU

	X	Y	neighborhood_id	neighborhood_name	device_serial
169	-7.910171e+06	5.215103e+06	N_601230550253966673	Downtown Boston - City Hall Plaza and Pavilion	Q3AE-A943 FES
170	-7.910171e+06	5.215103e+06	N_601230550253966673	Downtown Boston - City Hall Plaza and Pavilion	Q3AE- WU87-WVG
171	-7.910171e+06	5.215103e+06	N_601230550253966673	Downtown Boston - City Hall Plaza and Pavilion	Q3AE-JXU4 QPC
172	-7.910171e+06	5.215103e+06	N_601230550253966673	Downtown Boston - City Hall Plaza and Pavilion	Q3AE-A793 TEM
188	-7.910482e+06	5.218089e+06	N_568579452955538062	Charlestown	Q2CK-V3LS 5V6
205	-7.910482e+06	5.218089e+06	N_568579452955538062	Charlestown	Q2CK- CWU RBG
223	-7.910482e+06	5.218089e+06	N_568579452955538062	Charlestown	Q2CK-SNTE WJW
256	-7.910171e+06	5.215103e+06	N_601230550253961310	Downtown Boston - City Hall - Quincy Market	Q3AE-GDTF 3C3\
257	-7.910171e+06	5.215103e+06	N_601230550253961310	Downtown Boston - City Hall - Quincy Market	Q3AE- MULH-9V9
258	-7.910171e+06	5.215103e+06	N_601230550253961310	Downtown Boston - City Hall - Quincy Market	Q3AE-JLUI 293
275	-7.910171e+06	5.215103e+06	N_601230550253966673	Downtown Boston - City Hall Plaza and Pavilion	Q3AE- QMTD-57L
278	-7.910171e+06	5.215103e+06	N_601230550253966673	Downtown Boston - City Hall Plaza and Pavilion	Q3AE-Q4LC 6HK
289	-7.909896e+06	5.215085e+06	N_601230550253961310	Downtown Boston - City Hall - Quincy Market	Q3AE-Q7YC V97

In [27]: *# notna returns true or false depending on whether there are Nan values in the loca*
the list of True/False values produced by notna can be used to slice

```
wifi[wifi.X.notna()].head()
```

Out[27]:

	X	Y	neighborhood_id	neighborhood_name	device_serial
2	-7.912255e+06	5.206228e+06	L_601230550253964116	Nubian-Bus-Stop	Q3AE-QFTK-E55W
5	-7.913037e+06	5.209642e+06	N_568579452955527921	Parks	Q2EK-4PWN-GALS
6	-7.913800e+06	5.210828e+06	N_579275502070532581	Roxbury	Q2CK-SSY2-PBYW
7	-7.913800e+06	5.210828e+06	N_579275502070532581	Roxbury	Q2CK-SU8N-5VU8
8	-7.913466e+06	5.208391e+06	N_579275502070532581	Roxbury	Q2CK-H5VS-5UKS

In [28]: *# Row and column specification*
use paired conctions on [row,column]
we now have to use the method .loc[] to do this

```
wifi.loc[wifi.X.notna(),"X"].head()
```

Out[28]:

```
2    -7.912255e+06
5    -7.913037e+06
6    -7.913800e+06
7    -7.913800e+06
8    -7.913466e+06
Name: X, dtype: float64
```

In [29]: *# you have to have a boolean return type in the row indexing function or a set of i*
we can send a list of column names to get several of them

```
wifi.loc[wifi.neighborhood_name.str.contains("Charlestown"),['device_lat','device_l
```

Out[29]:

	device_lat	device_long
188	42.380109	-71.06107
205	42.380109	-71.06107
223	42.380109	-71.06107

In [30]: *# Indexing using integer values is done using the iloc[] function*

so remember- used .loc for boolean and named columns, .iloc for Integer location

```
wifi.iloc[0:8,0:6]
```

Out[30]:

	X	Y	neighborhood_id	neighborhood_name	device_serial
0	NaN	NaN	L_601230550253963849	Mobile WiFi Kit 1	Q3AK-SUL7-7FC4
1	NaN	NaN	L_601230550253963849	Mobile WiFi Kit 1	Q2ZY-RF99-YN45
2	-7.912255e+06	5.206228e+06	L_601230550253964116	Nubian-Bus-Stop	Q3AE-QFTK-E55W
3	NaN	NaN	L_601230550253964116	Nubian-Bus-Stop	Q3AK-DU9C-2UXZ
4	NaN	NaN	L_601230550253964116	Nubian-Bus-Stop	Q3AK-FGAN-3AR9
5	-7.913037e+06	5.209642e+06	N_568579452955527921	Parks	Q2EK-4PWN-GALS
6	-7.913800e+06	5.210828e+06	N_579275502070532581	Roxbury	Q2CK-SSY2-PBYW
7	-7.913800e+06	5.210828e+06	N_579275502070532581	Roxbury	Q2CK-SU8N-5VU8

Plotting with Pandas functions

Pandas has basic plotting built in

I typically use Matplotlib, but Pandas has the basics

In [32]: *#Pandas built in plots*

```
wifi.plot.scatter(x="device_long",y="device_lat")
```

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ImportError                                Traceback (most recent call last)
Cell In[32], line 3
      1 #Pandas built in plots
----> 3 wifi.plot.scatter(x="device_long",y="device_lat")

File ~\anaconda3\envs\Class5002\Lib\site-packages\pandas\plotting\_core.py:1748, in
PlotAccessor.scatter(self, x, y, s, c, **kwargs)
    1660 def scatter(
    1661     self,
    1662     x: Hashable,
    (... )
    1666     **kwargs,
    1667 ) -> PlotAccessor:
    1668     """
    1669     Create a scatter plot with varying marker point size and color.
    1670     (...)
    1746     ...                                colormap='viridis')
    1747     """
-> 1748     return self(kind="scatter", x=x, y=y, s=s, c=c, **kwargs)

File ~\anaconda3\envs\Class5002\Lib\site-packages\pandas\plotting\_core.py:947, in P
lotAccessor.__call__(self, *args, **kwargs)
    946 def __call__(self, *args, **kwargs):
--> 947     plot_backend = _get_plot_backend(kwargs.pop("backend", None))
    949     x, y, kind, kwargs = self._get_call_args(
    950         plot_backend.__name__, self._parent, args, kwargs
    951     )
    953     kind = self._kind_aliases.get(kind, kind)

File ~\anaconda3\envs\Class5002\Lib\site-packages\pandas\plotting\_core.py:1944, in
_get_plot_backend(backend)
    1941 if backend_str in _backends:
    1942     return _backends[backend_str]
-> 1944 module = _load_backend(backend_str)
    1945 _backends[backend_str] = module
    1946 return module

File ~\anaconda3\envs\Class5002\Lib\site-packages\pandas\plotting\_core.py:1874, in
_load_backend(backend)
    1872 module = importlib.import_module("pandas.plotting._matplotlib")
    1873 except ImportError:
-> 1874     raise ImportError(
    1875         "matplotlib is required for plotting when the "
    1876         'default backend "matplotlib" is selected.'
    1877     ) from None
    1878 return module
    1880 found_backend = False

ImportError: matplotlib is required for plotting when the default backend "matplotli
b" is selected.

```

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In [ ]: #here is a boxplot
```

```
wifi[["device_long"]].plot.box()
```

```
In [ ]: #histogram

wifi[["device_long"]].plot.hist()
```

```
In [ ]: #creating new columns

#just name the column and assign a value

# this is a nonsensical value, but it shows the idea

wifi["x over y"] = wifi.X/wifi.Y

wifi.head()
```

Aggregation or grouping for tables and statistics

Pandas as a nice groupby function, reminiscent of the dplyr methods

```
In [ ]: # we specify the columns we want to work with in the dataframe, then specify which

# at the end, we add a Pandas summary function

# Note, if we had more grouping variables the input to groupby could be a list

wifi[["device_long", "device_lat", "neighborhood_name"]].groupby("neighborhood_name")
```

Multiple grouping variables

```
In [ ]: # we can use groupby to get counts per grouping variable as well
# I tried using is_current as a grouping variable, but they are all 1, indicating c

wifi[["device_long", "device_lat", "neighborhood_name", "is_current"]].groupby(["neigh
```

Categorical data

We can set data to be of type Categorical, which is akin to a factor

It is also possible to use integer group codes or dummy coding to represent categories or factors, this is done using utility tools in libraries such as scikit-learn or keras that focus on modeling

```
In [ ]: wifi['neighborhood_name'] = pd.Categorical(wifi.neighborhood_name)
```



```
wifi.head()
```

```
In [ ]: # did this work

wifi.dtypes
```

Question/Action

What other variables should be Categorical variables (there aren't many)

Convert this variable to a category

```
In [ ]: wifi['neighborhood_id']=pd.Categorical(wifi.neighborhood_id)

wifi.head()
```

Dummy Coding

It looks like Pandas can generate dummy codes for us

Pandas does not have a 'factor' variable, so in models like multiple regression, logistic regression or neural networks, we use dummy coding to code categorical variables. You will see more on this later.

What does this look like?

What does a True in this table seem to mean?

This is also called "one-hot" encoding, since there is only one "True" per row of the table

```
In [ ]: pd.get_dummies(wifi.neighborhood_name)
```

Question/Action

Create a dummy coding for the variable that you turned into a Categorical variable in the Question above

```
In [59]: pd.get_dummies(wifi.neighborhood_id)
```

Out[59]:

	L_601230550253962684	L_601230550253962688	L_601230550253963849	L_601230550
0	False	False	False	True
1	False	False	False	True
2	False	False	False	False
3	False	False	False	False
4	False	False	False	False
...
292	False	False	False	False
293	False	False	False	False
294	False	False	False	False
295	False	False	False	False
296	False	False	False	False

297 rows × 34 columns



date-time values

It looks like we have one date-time variable in the dataset right now

etl_updatedtimestamp

it looks like a fairly standard format

```
In [ ]: wifi.etl_updatedtimestamp.head(5)
```

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In [ ]: wifi.etl_updatedtimestamp=pd.to_datetime(wifi.etl_updatedtimestamp)
wifi.etl_updatedtimestamp.head()
```

```
In [ ]: # We can now get days, months, years

wifi.etl_updatedtimestamp.dt.day.head()
```

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In [ ]: wifi.etl_updatedtimestamp.dt.month.head()
```

```
In [ ]: wifi.etl_updatedtimestamp.dt.year.head()
```

Converting to Long form

uses the melt function

<https://pandas.pydata.org/docs/reference/api/pandas.melt.html>

Form more ideas on wide to long, look up

Pandas pivot pandas pivot_table pandas unstack pandas wide_to_long

```
In [ ]: df = pd.DataFrame({'A': {0: 'a', 1: 'b', 2: 'c'},
                          'B': {0: 1, 1: 3, 2: 5},
                          'C': {0: 2, 1: 4, 2: 6}})

df
```

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In [ ]:
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In [ ]: # note we specify a list of id variables and a list of value variables, much like i

pd.melt(df, id_vars=['A'], value_vars=['B', 'C'])
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In [ ]: # alternative form, two id variables
# this is a "composite key" form

pd.melt(df, id_vars=['A', 'C'], value_vars=['B'])
```

```
In [75]: # create df2 for question/action

df2 = pd.DataFrame({'A': {0: 'a', 1: 'b', 2: 'c', 3: 'd'},
                    'B': {0: 1, 1: 3, 2: 5, 3: 6},
                    'C': {0: 2, 1: 4, 2: 6, 3: 8},
                    'D': {0: "Biscuit", 1: "Chips", 2: "Banana", 3: "hard case"}})
```

Question/Action

Melt df2 to wide form, using D and A as the index variables, assign the other two columns as values

```
In [85]: df2.melt
```

```
Out[85]: <bound method DataFrame.melt of      A  B  C      D
0  a  1  2  Biscuit
1  b  3  4    Chips
2  c  5  6   Banana
3  d  6  8  hard case>
```

Joins

A join connects two dataframes (or SQL data tables) together based on matching values of keys (identifiers) in the two data frames or tables. You may have seen this in R, and we will

see it again in SQL.

Joins are done on two dataframes (or tables) at a time, the first is called the "left" table and the second is called the "right" table and several different forms of joins exist.

Joins are done on Pandas data frames are done using the merge function

You can specify the type of join desired, inner, outer, left, right etc

<https://pandas.pydata.org/docs/reference/api/pandas.merge.html>

```
In [ ]: df1 = pd.DataFrame({'lkey': ['foo', 'bar', 'baz', 'foo', "bix"], 'value': [1, 2, 3, 5, 4]})
df2 = pd.DataFrame({'rkey': ['foo', 'bar', 'baz', 'foo'], 'value': [5, 6, 7, 8]})
```

```
In [ ]: df1
```

```
In [ ]: df2
```

```
In [ ]: # this is an inner join of the left frame df1 and the right frame df2
# notice that "bix" was dropped

df1.merge(df2, left_on='lkey', right_on='rkey')
```

```
In [ ]: # here is a Left join
# what happens to "bix"?

df1.merge(df2, how="left", left_on='lkey', right_on='rkey')
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In [ ]:
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