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## Chapter 1 Pandas

### 1.1 Imports

- To use Pandas effectively, it is crucial to import the library using standard conventions.
- The most common imports for Pandas are:
  - import pandas as pd: This is the standard convention for importing Pandas. The alias pd is widely recognized and saves typing.
  - import numpy as np: Often used alongside Pandas for numerical computations, such as generating or manipulating numerical data.

#### Example 1: Standard Pandas Import.

#### Example 2: Using NumPy with Pandas.

```
# Import Pandas and NumPy
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np

# Create a DataFrame with random data
data = np.random.rand(3, 3)
df = pd.DataFrame(data, columns=['A', 'B', 'C'])
print(df)
```

### 1.2 Introduction to Pandas

- Key Features:
  - **Series:** 1D labeled array.
  - DataFrame: 2D labeled table with rows and columns.
- Installation: Use Anaconda or pip install pandas.

#### Code:

```
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
```

#### 1.3 The Series

- Creating: Use pd.Series(data, index=[]) to create a labeled 1D array.
- Operations: Supports arithmetic operations (e.g., +, -) with alignment based on labels.

#### • Selecting Elements:

- Use labels or indices to access elements: s['label'] or s[index].
- Use slicing for ranges: s[start:stop].
- Filtering: Use conditional statements to filter values (e.g., s[s > 5]).

#### • Assigning Values:

- Assign values by label: s['label'] = value.
- Assign values by index: s[index] = value.

#### • Mathematical Operations:

- Operators like +, -, \*, / are applicable to Series.
- Mathematical functions from NumPy can also be applied.

#### • Missing Data:

- np.NaN: Represents missing values.
- isnull(), notnull(): Identify missing or non-missing data.

#### • Evaluating Values:

- unique(): Returns unique values, excluding duplicates.
- value\_counts(): Counts occurrences of unique values.
- isin(): Checks if values exist in the Series and returns a boolean mask.

#### • Creating a Series from a Dictionary:

- Keys become the index, and values become the data.
- Missing indices are filled with np.NaN.
- Operations Between Series: Aligns on labels; mismatched labels result in NaN.

## Example 1: Evaluating Values Code:

#### Output:

```
Unique values:
[1 0 2 3]
Value counts:
    2
3
0
    1
dtype: int64
isin for values [0,3]:
white
         False
white
         True
         False
blue
green
         False
green
         False
         True
yellow
dtype: bool
```

# Example 2: Handling Missing Data (NaN Values) Code:

```
# Create a Series with missing values
s2 = pd.Series([5, -3, np.NaN, 20])

print("isnull():")
print(s2.isnull())

print("notnull():")
print(s2.notnull())

# Filter non-missing values
print("Filtered non-missing values:")
print(s2[s2.notnull()])
```

```
isnull():
   False
1
    False
2
     True
    False
dtype: bool
notnull():
     True
     True
1
2
    False
     True
dtype: bool
Filtered non-missing
    values:
     5.0
0
    -3.0
1
    20.0
dtype: float64
```

## Example 3: Creating a Series from a Dictionary Code:

#### Output:

```
Series from dictionary:
         250
red
blue
         560
         700
green
white
        1456
dtype: int64
Series with custom index:
red
         250.0
blue
         560.0
green
        700.0
white
        1456.0
purple
          NaN
dtype: float64
```

### Example 4: Operations Between Series Code:

```
Result of adding two Series:
black NaN
blue NaN
green NaN
purple NaN
red 1150.0
white 1956.0
dtype: float64
```

#### 1.4 The DataFrame

• **Definition:** A DataFrame is a tabular structure very similar to a spread-sheet, designed to extend Series to multiple dimensions.

#### • Structure:

- Consists of an ordered collection of columns, each of which can contain a value of a different type (numeric, string, boolean, etc.).
- Unlike Series, which have an index array, DataFrames have two index arrays for rows and columns.
- Can be understood as a dictionary of Series where the keys are column names, and the values are the Series forming the DataFrame's columns.
- Creating a DataFrame: Use pd.DataFrame() with data in the form of dictionaries, lists, or nested dictionaries.
- Selecting Columns: Use the columns parameter to select and order specific columns.
- Nested Dictionary: When a nested dictionary is passed to pd.DataFrame(), outer keys become column names, and inner keys become row labels. Missing values are filled with NaN.
- Transposition: Columns become rows and rows become columns using the .T attribute.

## Example 1: Defining a DataFrame Code:

#### Output:

```
DataFrame:

color items price

white ball 2.50

red pen 1.50

black pencil 0.50

green paper 0.60

purple eraser 0.15
```

## Example 2: Selecting Specific Columns Code:

```
DataFrame with selected columns:
   items price
0 ball 2.50
1 pen 1.50
2 pencil 0.50
3 paper 0.60
4 eraser 0.15
```

## Example 3: Nested Dictionary as Input Code:

#### Output:

```
DataFrame from nested dictionary:
    red green blue
2008 NaN 23.0 18.0
2012 22.0 22.0 28.0
2014 45.0 17.0 19.0
```

## Example 4: Transposing a DataFrame Code:

```
# Transpose the DataFrame
frame3_T = frame3.T

print("Transposed DataFrame:")
print(frame3_T)
```

### 1.5 Reading and Writing Data

#### 1.5.1 Reading Data in Parts

- To read only a portion of the file, specify the number of lines to parse using nrows and skiprows.
- skiprows: Excludes specified rows from being read.
- nrows: Reads only the specified number of rows.

## Example 1: Reading a CSV File in Parts Code:

```
Data read with skiprows and nrows:
               2
                    3
           1
  white red blue green animal
          5
                2
                      3
1
      1
                            car
      3
           3
                6
                       7
                          horse
```

#### 1.5.2 Writing Data to CSV

- to\_csv(): Writes a DataFrame to a CSV file.
- Use index=False and header=False to remove default indexes and headers.

## Example 2: Writing Data to a CSV File Code:

```
DataFrame after writing and reading:
              2
     0
         1
                  3
0 red
         0
             1
                 2
1 blue
         4
             5
                 6
2 yellow 8
             9 10
3 white 12
            13 14
```

#### 1.5.3 Reading and Writing HTML and Excel Files

- to\_html(): Converts a DataFrame to an HTML table.
- read\_html(): Reads tables from an HTML file and returns a list of DataFrames.
- to\_excel(): Writes a DataFrame to an Excel spreadsheet.
- read\_excel(): Reads data from an Excel file into a DataFrame.

### Example 3: Writing and Reading HTML Code:

```
# Create a DataFrame
frame = pd.DataFrame(np.arange(4).reshape(2, 2))

# Convert to HTML
html_output = frame.to_html()
print("HTML output:")
print(html_output)
```

```
HTML output:
<thead>
>0
 1
</thead>
>0
 0
 1
1
 2
 3
```

### 1.6 Using Regex to Parse TXT Files

- Sometimes, files do not have clear separators such as commas or semicolons for parsing.
- $\bullet$  Regular expressions (  $\mathbf{Regex})$  can be used to define custom criteria for value separation.
- Common Regex patterns:

Pattern	Description
•	Single character, except newline
\d	Digit
\D	Non-digit character
\s	Whitespace character
\S	Non-whitespace character
\n	Newline character
\t	Tab character
$\setminus$ uxxxx	Unicode character specified by the hexadecimal number xxxx

## Example 1: Parsing a TXT File with Whitespace Code:

#### **Output:**

```
Data parsed using whitespace:
  white red blue green
0
          5
               2
      1
1
      2
          7
               8
                     5
2
      3
         3
               6
                     7
3
      2
        2
               8
                     3
4
               2
      4
                     1
```

## Example 2: Extracting Numeric Data from TXT File Code:

```
Numeric data extracted from text:

0 1 2 3
0 NaN NaN NaN NaN # First line had no numeric values
1 1.0 5.0 2.0 3.0
2 2.0 7.0 8.0 5.0
3 3.0 3.0 6.0 7.0
4 2.0 2.0 8.0 3.0
5 4.0 4.0 2.0 1.0

# To avoid NaN add 'skiprows=1'
```

## Example 3: Skipping Rows While Parsing Code:

```
Data after skipping rows:

0 1 2 3
0 3 3 6 7
1 2 2 8 3
2 4 4 2 1
```

### 1.7 Interacting with Databases

#### 1.7.1 Overview

- pandas.io.sql module provides a unified interface independent of the database, using sqlalchemy.
- The create\_engine() function is used to establish a connection to the database.
- Unified commands ensure consistency regardless of the database backend.

## Example 1: Creating a Connection to Databases Code:

```
from sqlalchemy import create_engine

# For SQLite
engine_sqlite =
    create_engine('sqlite:///foo.db')
```

#### 1.7.2 Interacting with SQLite Databases

- Create a DataFrame that will serve as a table in the SQLite database.
- Use to\_sql() to write the DataFrame to the database.
- Use read\_sql() to retrieve data from the database.

### Example 2: SQLite Integration Code:

```
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
from sqlalchemy import create_engine
# Create a DataFrame
frame = pd.DataFrame(np.arange(20).reshape(4, 5),
                   columns=['white', 'red', 'blue',
                       'black', 'green'])
print("DataFrame:")
print(frame)
# Connect to SQLite database
engine = create_engine('sqlite:///foo.db')
# Write the DataFrame to the database
frame.to_sql('colors', engine, if_exists='replace')
# Read data back from the database
retrieved_data = pd.read_sql('colors', engine)
print("Data retrieved from SQLite:")
print(retrieved_data)
```

```
DataFrame:
  white red blue black green
    0
       1
            2
                 3
                   8
                         9
     5
         6
              7
1
2
    10
        11
             12
                   13
                         14
3
                   18
    15
        16
             17
                         19
Data retrieved from SQLite:
  index white red blue black green
                    2
0
     0
         0 1
                         3
1
     1
           5
             6
                    7
                         8
                               9
2
     2
          10 11
                              14
                   12
                         13
3
     3
          15
             16
                 17
                         18
                              19
```

### 1.8 Pandas - Data Manipulation

### 1.9 Merging Data

#### • merge():

- Combines data from two DataFrames based on keys (e.g., columns or indexes).
- Default behavior merges based on common column names.
- Specify the on parameter to define custom merge keys.

#### • join():

- Used to merge data using indexes.
- More convenient for merging when indexes are used as keys.

#### • Options:

- left\_index and right\_index: Use indexes as merge keys.
- how: Defines merge type ('inner', 'outer', 'left', 'right').

## Example 1: Simple Merge Code:

```
import pandas as pd

# Create first DataFrame
frame1 = pd.DataFrame({
    'id': ['ball', 'pencil', 'pen', 'mug', 'ashtray'],
    'price': [12.33, 11.44, 33.21, 13.23, 33.62]
})

# Create second DataFrame
frame2 = pd.DataFrame({
    'id': ['pencil', 'pencil', 'ball', 'pen'],
    'color': ['white', 'red', 'red', 'black']
})

# Merge the DataFrames
merged = pd.merge(frame1, frame2)
print(merged)
```

```
id price color
0 ball 12.33 red
1 pencil 11.44 white
2 pencil 11.44 red
3 pen 33.21 black
```

## Example 2: Specifying Merge Key Code:

```
# Create additional DataFrames
frame3 = pd.DataFrame({
    'id': ['ball', 'pending', 'pen', 'mug', 'ashtray'],
    'color': ['white', 'red', 'red', 'black', 'green'],
    'brand': ['OMG', 'ABC', 'ABC', 'POD', 'POD']
})

frame4 = pd.DataFrame({
    'id': ['pencil', 'pencil', 'ball', 'pen'],
    'brand': ['OMG', 'POD', 'ABC', 'POD']
})

# Merge on specific key
merged_on_brand = pd.merge(frame3, frame4, on='brand')
print(merged_on_brand)
```

```
id_x color brand id_y
0 ball white OMG pencil
1 pending red ABC ball
2 pen red POD pen
3 mug black POD pen
4 ashtray green POD pen
```

## Example 3: Using Indexes Code:

```
Merged with Indexes:
     id_x color brand_x brand_y
     ball white
                  OMG
                         OMG
                         POD
1 pending
            red
                  ABC
                  ABC
                         POD
     pen
            red
3
            black POD
                         POD
     mug
Using join():
     id color brand brand2
    ball white
                  OMG pencil
                              \mathsf{OMG}
                  ABC pencil POD
1 pending
            red
                  ABC
                        ball
                               POD
     pen
           red
    mug black
                  POD
                         pen
                              POD
4 ashtray green
                  POD
                         {\tt NaN}
                              NaN
```

#### 1.10 Concatenation

#### 1.10.1 Concatenating Arrays

- **Definition:** Concatenation combines arrays along a specified axis.
- np.concatenate(): Combines two or more arrays along a given axis.

#### Code:

```
import numpy as np

# Create two 3x3 arrays
array1 = np.arange(9).reshape((3, 3))
array2 = np.arange(9).reshape((3, 3)) + 6

# Concatenate along axis 1
result_axis1 = np.concatenate([array1, array2], axis=1)
print("Concatenation along axis 1:")
print(result_axis1)

# Concatenate along axis 0
result_axis0 = np.concatenate([array1, array2], axis=0)
print("Concatenation along axis 0:")
print("Concatenation along axis 0:")
print(result_axis0)
```

```
Concatenation along axis 1:

[[ 0 1 2 6 7 8]
        [ 3 4 5 9 10 11]
        [ 6 7 8 12 13 14]]

Concatenation along axis 0:

[[ 0 1 2]
        [ 3 4 5]
        [ 6 7 8]
        [ 6 7 8]
        [ 9 10 11]
        [ 12 13 14]]
```

#### 1.10.2 Concatenating Series

• pd.concat(): Combines multiple Series objects, with options for hierarchical indexing using the keys parameter.

#### Code:

```
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
# Create two Series
ser1 = pd.Series(np.random.rand(4),
   index=[1, 2, 3, 4])
ser2 = pd.Series(np.random.rand(4),
   index=[5, 6, 7, 8])
# Concatenate Series
combined = pd.concat([ser1, ser2])
print("Concatenated Series:")
print(combined)
# Hierarchical indexing with keys
combined_hierarchical =
   pd.concat([ser1, ser2],
   keys=["Group1", "Group2"])
print("Hierarchical concatenation:")
print(combined_hierarchical)
```

```
Concatenated Series:
    0.326100
    0.983239
3
    0.306811
    0.149875
    0.221997
    0.687002
    0.499663
    0.857193
dtype: float64
Hierarchical concatenation:
Group1 1
           0.326100
            0.983239
       3
            0.306811
            0.149875
Group2 5
            0.221997
            0.687002
       7
            0.499663
       8
            0.857193
dtype: float64
```

#### 1.10.3 Concatenating DataFrames

- Concatenating DataFrames: The same logic of concatenating Series applies to DataFrames.
- Use the axis parameter to specify concatenation direction.

#### Code

```
Concatenated along axis 0:
         Α
                   В
1 0.976314 0.748882 0.955794
2 0.046396 0.449692 0.867622
3 0.433338 0.986343 0.323115
4 0.802874 0.773448 0.922387
5 0.580696 0.584984 0.276520
6 0.725205 0.017955 0.974704
Concatenated along axis 1:
         Α
                  В
                            C
                                               В
                                                         C
                                      Α
1 0.976314 0.748882 0.955794
                                    NaN
                                              NaN
                                                       NaN
2 0.046396 0.449692 0.867622
                                    NaN
                                             NaN
                                                       NaN
3 0.433338 0.986343 0.323115
                                    NaN
                                             NaN
                                                       NaN
4
       {\tt NaN}
                 {\tt NaN}
                          NaN 0.802874 0.773448 0.922387
5
       {\tt NaN}
                 NaN
                          NaN 0.580696 0.584984 0.276520
6
                 {\tt NaN}
                          NaN 0.725205 0.017955 0.974704
       NaN
```

### 1.11 Combining

- **Definition:** When neither merging nor concatenation achieves the desired result, combining can be used.
- combine\_first(): This function combines two Series or DataFrames, using the values from the calling object if they exist; otherwise, it takes values from the passed object.
- Use Case: Useful for combining datasets with partially or entirely overlapping indexes.

#### Code:

```
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
# Create two Series
   pd.Series(np.random.rand(5),
   index=[1, 2, 3, 4, 5])
ser2 =
   pd.Series(np.random.rand(4),
   index=[2, 4, 5, 6])
# Combine ser1 with ser2
combined_ser1_first =
   ser1.combine_first(ser2)
print("Combining ser1 with
   ser2:")
print(combined_ser1_first)
# Combine ser2 with ser1
combined_ser2_first =
   ser2.combine_first(ser1)
print("Combining ser2 with
   ser1:")
print(combined_ser2_first)
```

```
Combining ser1 with
    ser2:
    0.598546
    0.172542
3
    0.738250
    0.682647
    0.013372
    0.107031
dtype: float64
Combining ser2 with
    ser1:
    0.598546
    0.504086
    0.738250
    0.421815
    0.970975
    0.107031
dtype: float64
```

### 1.12 Pivoting

• **Definition:** Pivoting is the process of rearranging or reorganizing data by converting columns into rows and vice versa.

#### • Operations:

- stack(): Rotates or pivots the data structure, converting columns to rows
- unstack(): Converts rows back to columns.
- Use Case: Useful for restructuring datasets for better readability and understanding.

## Example 1: Stacking and Unstacking Code:

```
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
# Create DataFrame
frame1 = pd.DataFrame(
   np.arange(9).reshape(3, 3),
   index=['white', 'black', 'red'],
   columns=['ball', 'pen', 'pencil']
)
# Stack the DataFrame
ser5 = frame1.stack()
print("Stacked DataFrame:")
print(ser5)
# Unstack the DataFrame
print("\nUnstacked DataFrame:")
print(ser5.unstack())
# Unstack with a different level
print("\nUnstacked with level 0:")
print(ser5.unstack(0))
```

```
Stacked DataFrame:
white ball
     pen
             2
     pencil
black ball
     pen
     pencil
     ball
             6
red
     pen
             7
             8
     pencil
dtype: int32
Unstacked DataFrame:
     ball pen pencil
white
       0 1
                 2
        3 4
black
                  5
red
        6
Unstacked with level 0:
     white black red
ball
        0 3 6
                       28
pen
        1
              4 7
        2
              5 8
pencil
```

## Example 2: Pivoting from Long to Wide Format Code:

```
# Create a long DataFrame
longframe = pd.DataFrame({
   'color': ['white', 'white', 'white',
               'red', 'red', 'red',
               'black', 'black', 'black'],
   'item': ['ball', 'pen', 'mug',
           'ball', 'pen', 'mug',
           'ball', 'pen', 'mug'],
   'value': np.random.rand(9)
})
print("Long format DataFrame:")
print(longframe)
# Pivot to wide format
widetable = longframe.pivot(index='color', columns='item',
   values='value')
print("\nWide format DataFrame:")
print(widetable)
```

```
Long format DataFrame:
  color item value
0 white ball 0.587818
1 white pen 0.490479
2 white mug 0.912572
3
   red ball 0.423560
4
   red pen 0.446265
5
   red mug 0.711930
6 black ball 0.524044
7 black pen 0.812680
8 black mug 0.541409
Wide format DataFrame:
item
         ball
                  mug
color
black 0.524044 0.541409 0.812680
red 0.423560 0.711930 0.446265
white 0.587818 0.912572 0.490479
```

### 1.13 Removing Data

#### 1.13.1 Removing Columns and Rows

- **Definition:** Columns and rows can be removed from a DataFrame using specific commands.
- Removing Columns: Use the del command with the column name to remove a specific column from the DataFrame.
- Removing Rows: Use the drop() function with the label of the corresponding index to remove a specific row.

#### Code:

```
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
# Creating a DataFrame
frame1 = pd.DataFrame(
   np.arange(9).reshape(3, 3),
   index=['white', 'black', 'red'],
   columns=['ball', 'pen', 'pencil']
print("Initial DataFrame:")
print(frame1)
# Removing a column
del frame1['ball']
print("After removing column 'ball':")
print(frame1)
# Removing a row
frame1 = frame1.drop('white')
print("After removing row 'white':")
print(frame1)
```

```
Initial DataFrame:
      ball pen pencil
        0
             1
white
        3
             4
                    5
black
        6
             7
red
                    8
After removing column 'ball':
      pen pencil
white
        1
black
        4
                5
red
        7
                8
After removing row 'white':
      pen pencil
black
        4
                5
        7
                8
red
```

### 1.13.2 Removing Duplicates

- **Definition:** Identifying and removing duplicate rows in a DataFrame can clean the dataset and avoid redundancy.
- duplicated(): Returns a boolean Series indicating whether each row is a duplicate.
- drop\_duplicates(): Removes duplicate rows and returns a DataFrame without duplicates.

#### Code:

```
Initial DataFrame:
  color
0 white
1 white
    red
3
    red
4 white
Duplicate rows detected:
   False
    True
  False
     True
     True
dtype: bool
DataFrame after removing duplicates:
  color
0 white
    red
```

### 1.14 Mapping and Replacing

#### 1.14.1 Definition

Mapping involves creating associations between values using key-value pairs, enabling transformations or additions to data based on predefined mappings.

#### 1.14.2 Replacing Values

• replace(): Replaces values in a DataFrame or Series based on a specified mapping.

#### Code:

```
import pandas as pd

# Create a DataFrame
frame = pd.DataFrame({
    'item': ['ball', 'mug', 'pen', 'pencil', 'ashtray'],
    'color': ['white', 'rosso', 'verde', 'black', 'yellow'],
    'price': [5.56, 4.20, 1.30, 0.56, 2.75]
})

# Define the mapping
newcolors = {'rosso': 'red', 'verde': 'green'}

# Replace incorrect color values
frame['color'] = frame['color'].replace(newcolors)
print(frame)
```

```
item color price

0 ball white 5.56

1 mug red 4.20

2 pen green 1.30

3 pencil black 0.56

4 ashtray yellow 2.75
```

### 1.14.3 Handling Missing Values

• replace(): Replace missing values (NaN) with specified values.

#### Code:

```
import numpy as np
import pandas as pd

# Create a Series with NaN values
ser = pd.Series([1, 3, np.nan, 4, 6, np.nan, 3])

# Replace NaN values with 0
ser_filled = ser.replace(np.nan, 0)
print(ser_filled)
```

```
0 1.0
1 3.0
2 0.0
3 4.0
4 6.0
5 0.0
6 3.0
dtype: float64
```

### 1.14.4 Adding New Columns via Mapping

• map(): Adds a new column to a DataFrame by mapping values from another column to predefined values in a dictionary.

#### Code:

```
# Define a mapping for item prices
prices = {
    'ball': 5.26, 'mug': 4.20, 'pen': 1.30,
    'pencil': 0.56, 'ashtray': 2.75
}

# Map prices to the 'price' column
frame['price'] = frame['item'].map(prices)
print(frame)
```

```
item color price

0 ball white 5.26

1 mug red 4.20

2 pen green 1.30

3 pencil black 0.56

4 ashtray yellow 2.75
```

### 1.15 Data Aggregation

- **Definition:** The final stage of data manipulation involving the transformation of data into aggregated values like sums, means, or other metrics.
- **GroupBy:** A versatile tool in pandas for data aggregation, split into three phases:
  - **Splitting:** Divide data into groups based on key columns.
  - **Applying:** Apply a function to each group.
  - Combining: Combine the results into a single structure.

#### 1.15.1 Grouping to a Single Column of Data

#### Code:

```
import pandas as pd
# Create a DataFrame
frame = pd.DataFrame({
   'color': ['white', 'red', 'green', 'red', 'green'],
   'object': ['pen', 'pencil', 'pen', 'ashtray', 'pencil'],
   'price1': [5.56, 4.20, 1.30, 0.56, 2.75],
    'price2': [4.75, 4.12, 1.60, 0.75, 3.15]
})
# Group data by 'color' column
group = frame['price1'].groupby(frame['color'])
# Apply aggregation functions
mean_price = group.mean()
sum_price = group.sum()
print("Group Mean:")
print(mean_price)
print("\nGroup Sum:")
print(sum_price)
```

```
Group Mean:
color
green
        2.025
red
        2.380
white 5.560
Name: price1, dtype: float64
Group Sum:
color
        4.05
green
        4.76
red
white 5.56
Name: price1, dtype: float64
```

#### 1.15.2 Hierarchical Grouping

#### Code:

```
Hierarchical Grouping Sum:
color object
green pencil
                1.30
               2.75
      pen
red
      ashtray 0.56
               4.20
      pencil
white pen
                5.56
Name: price1, dtype: float64
Group Mean of Multiple Columns:
      price1 price2
color
green 2.025 2.375
       2.380 2.435
white 5.560 4.750
```

### 1.16 Date Formatting and Parsing

#### 1.16.1 pd.read\_csv()

- The pd.read\_csv() function is a core function in pandas for loading CSV files into a DataFrame.
- Provides multiple options for customizing the way data is read.

#### Code:

```
# Basic syntax for reading a CSV file
df = pd.read_csv('filename.csv')
```

#### 1.16.2 Parsing Dates Using parse\_dates

- Ensures that date columns are interpreted as datetime objects rather than strings.
- Enables operations like filtering, extracting specific time periods, and plotting time-series data.
- Use the parse\_dates argument to specify columns to convert into datetime objects automatically.

#### Code:

```
# Parse the 'Date' column as datetime objects
df = pd.read_csv('shopping.csv', parse_dates=['Date'])
```

#### 1.16.3 Handling Date Formats with dayfirst

- $\bullet~$  By default, pand as assumes the MM/DD/YYYY format (common in the U.S.).
- For DD/MM/YYYY format, use the dayfirst=True argument.

#### Code:

**Note:** For a date like "15/01/2023", dayfirst=True will interpret it as January 15, 2023.

### 1.16.4 Keeping the Original Date Column

Create a backup of the original Date column for future reference or operations.

#### Code:

```
# Create a backup of the original date column
df['Date_original'] = df['Date']
```

#### 1.16.5 Converting the Date to a Monthly Period

- Use .dt.to\_period('M') to convert datetime values into monthly periods.
- Enables grouping data by months or other time intervals.

#### Code:

```
# Convert dates to monthly periods
df['Month'] = df['Date_original'].dt.to_period('M')
```

- Example: If Date\_original is 2023-01-15, the resulting value in Month will be 2023-01.
- Common use cases include grouping by months for analysis or visualization of trends over time.

### 1.17 Handling Missing Data

#### 1.17.1 Overview of Missing Values

- In pandas, missing values are typically represented as NaN (Not a Number).
- Identifying Missing Data:
  - df.isnull().sum() Displays the count of missing values in each column
  - df.info() Provides a summary of the DataFrame, including counts of non-null entries.

#### 1.17.2 Dropping Missing Values

• Drop rows containing missing data:

```
df.dropna(inplace=True)
```

• Drop columns containing missing data:

```
df.dropna(axis=1, inplace=True)
```

#### 1.17.3 Filling Missing Values

- Filling with a Specific Value:
  - Replace missing values with predefined values:

```
df.fillna({'Column1': 0, 'Column2': 'Unknown'},
   inplace=True)
```

- Filling with Mean, Median, or Mode:
  - Replace missing numerical values with statistical measures:

```
df['Price'].fillna(df['Price'].mean(),
    inplace=True)
df['Quantity'].fillna(df['Quantity'].median(),
    inplace=True)
```

# 1.17.4 Example: Filling Missing Values in Multiple Columns Code:

```
# Filling missing values in specific columns
df.fillna({
    'Product': 'Unknown',
    'Quantity': 0,
    'Price': 0.0,
    'Total': 0.0
}, inplace=True)

# Printing the cleaned DataFrame
print(df.head())
```

### 1.18 Pandas: Comprehensive Exercise in Data Manipulation

#### 1.18.1 Objective

The goal of this exercise is to integrate and apply all key Pandas data manipulation techniques, including:

- 1. Loading a dataset from a file (shopping.csv).
- 2. Handling missing values effectively.
- 3. Calculating a new column based on existing data.
- 4. Creating visualizations for data analysis, including a bar chart and a line chart.

#### 1.18.2 Steps to Solution

#### Step 1: Load the Dataset

#### **Key Points:**

- Use pd.read\_csv() to load data from a CSV file.
- Parse the Date column into a datetime object for proper date handling.
- Specify dayfirst=True for date formats where the day appears first (e.g., DD/MM/YYYY).

#### Step 2: Handle Missing Values

#### **Key Points:**

- Use fillna() to handle missing data.
- Fill string columns (e.g., Product) with a placeholder value like 'Unknown'.
- Fill numeric columns (e.g., Quantity, Price, Total) with 0 or 0.0.
- Use inplace=True to apply the changes directly to the DataFrame.

```
# Handle missing values
df.fillna({
    'Product': 'Unknown',
    'Quantity': 0,
    'Price': 0.0,
    'Total': 0.0
}, inplace=True)
```

#### Step 3: Calculate a New Column

#### **Key Points:**

- Create a new column called Total.
- The Total column is calculated as Quantity \* Price.
- Perform the calculation directly on the DataFrame columns.

```
# Calculate a new column
df['Total'] = df['Quantity'] * df['Price']
```

#### Step 4: Visualize Data

#### Bar Chart for Product Sales: Key Points:

- Use groupby() to group data by the Product column.
- Aggregate the Quantity values for each product.
- Plot a bar chart to visualize the total sales per product.

#### Line Chart for Total Sales Over Time: Key Points:

- Convert the Date column to monthly periods using dt.to\_period('M').
- Use groupby() to aggregate total sales by month.
- Plot a line chart to visualize the total sales over time.