Python Pandas: Dataframes

Programming for Data Science with Python

Overview

What is NDFrame?

N-dimensional analogue of DataFrame. Store multi-dimensional in a size-mutable, labeled data structure.

What's a DataFrame?

class DataFrame(NDFrame): **Two-dimensional** size-mutable, potentially heterogeneous tabular data structure with labeled axes (**rows and columns**). Arithmetic operations align on both row and column labels. Can be thought of as a **dict-like** container for **Series** objects.

- DataFrame is a subclass (i.e., special case) of NDFrame.
- In Pandas programs generally, DataFrame is used a lot and NDFrame is used rarely.
- In fact, Pandas has Series for 1D, DataFrame for 2D, and for most people that's the end(even though half of Pandas' name is for Panel which Pandas also has, but most people do not use).

FUN FACT: There is/was even a 4D thing in Pandas, (but truly no one uses it (this being the internet, someone will now appear to say they do!).

For higher dimensions than two or maybe three, some people have shifted their efforts to **xarray**.

That's probably where it's at if your ambitions cannot be contained in 2D.

1.1 Definition

A Data frame is a two-dimensional data structure, i.e., data is aligned in a tabular fashion in rows and columns.

	Column Index (df.columns)							
Row	Series	Series	Series	Series	Series	Series		
of	of	of	of	of	of	of		
Index	data	data	data	data	data	data		

	Column Index (df.columns)							
(df. index)								

1.2 pandas.DataFrame: Attributes

T → Transpose index and columns

at → Fast label-based scalar accessor

axes → Return a list with the row axis labels and column axis labels as the only members.

blocks → Internal property, property synonym for as_blocks()

dtypes → Return the dtypes in this object.

empty \rightarrow True if NDFrame is entirely empty [no items], meaning any of the axes are of length 0.

Ftypes → Return the ftypes (indication of sparse/dense and dtype) in this object.

iat → Fast integer location scalar accessor.

iloc \rightarrow Purely integer-location based indexing for selection by position.

 $ix \rightarrow A$ primarily label-location based indexer, with integer position fallback.

loc → Purely label-location based indexer for selection by label.

ndim → Number of axes/array dimensions.

shape \rightarrow Return a tuple representing the dimensionality of the DataFrame.

size → number of elements in the NDFrame

style \rightarrow Property returning a Styler object containing methods for building a styled HTML representation for the DataFrame.

values → Numpy representation of NDFrame.

2. Create Dataframes

2.1DataFrame Constructor

pandas.DataFrame(data, index, columns, dtype, copy)

Data:

• can be ndarray, series, map, lists, diet, constants, and another DataFrame.

Index:

• For the row labels, the index to be used for the resulting frame is Optional Default np.arrange(n),if no index is passed.

Columns:

• For column labels, the Optional Default syntax is - np.arrange(n). This is only true if no index is passed.

dtype:

• Data type of each column

Copy:

• This command (or whatever it is) is used for copying of the data.

Default: False

2.2 Create an Empty Dataframe

Run the following code block:

```
In [1]: # Create an empty dataframe
    import pandas as pd

    df = pd.DataFrame()
    print(df)

Empty DataFrame
    Columns: []
    Index: []

In [2]: import pandas as pd

    df = pd.DataFrame()
    print(df)

Empty DataFrame
    Columns: []
    Index: []
```

2.3 Create a Dataframe from lists

Run the following 2 code blocks:

```
In [3]: # Create a dataframe from a list
import pandas as pd
```

```
# Declare a list
         alist = [1,2,3,4,5]
         # Create a dataframe from the list
         df = pd.DataFrame(alist)
         print(df)
            0
         0 1
         1 2
         2 3
         3 4
         4 5
In [4]: import pandas as pd
         prog_Lang = ['Python', 'C#', 'Java', 'C++', 'Javascript']
         df = pd.DataFrame(prog_Lang)
         print(df)
                     0
         0
                Python
         1
                    C#
         2
                  Java
                   C++
         4 Javascript
In [5]: # Create a dataframe from a list of lists
         import pandas as pd
         # Declare a list of lists - each list element has two elements [string, number]
         alistOflists = [['Alex',10],['Bob',12],['Clarke',13]]
         # Create a dataframe from this list, naming the columns as 'Name' and 'Age'
         df = pd.DataFrame(alistOflists, columns=['Name', 'Age'])
         print(df)
              Name Age
         0
              Alex
                     10
         1
               Bob
                     12
         2 Clarke
                     13
In [6]: import pandas as pd
         courses = [['IPAC', 4340],['PSCI', 2606], ['BAAS', 4100]]
         df = pd.DataFrame(courses, columns = ['Course Name', 'Course Number'])
         print(df)
           Course Name Course Number
         0
                  IPAC
                                 4340
                  PSCI
                                 2606
         1
                  BAAS
                                 4100
In [17]: # Create a dataframe from a list of lists and set the data type
         import pandas as pd
         # Declare a List of Lists - each list element has two elements [string, number]
         aListOfLists = [['Alex',10], ['Bob',12], ['Clarke',13]]
```

```
# Create a dataframe from this list, naming the columns as 'Name' and 'Age'
         df = pd.DataFrame(aListOfLists, columns=['Name', 'Age'], dtype=object)
         print(df)
              Name Age
              Alex 10
         0
         1
               Bob 12
         2 Clarke 13
In [21]: import pandas as pd
         courses = [['IPAC', 4340],['PSCI', 2606], ['BAAS', 4100]]
         df = pd.DataFrame(courses, columns = ['Course Name', 'Course Number'], dtype=object)
         print(df)
           Course Name Course Number
                  IPAC
         1
                  PSCI
                                2606
                  BAAS
                                4100
```

2.4 Create dataframes from dictionaries of ndarray/lists

- All the ndarrays must be of same length.
- If index is passed, then the length of the index should equal to the length of the arrays.
- If no index is passed, then by default, index will be range(n), where n is the array length.

Run the following 3 code blocks:

```
In [22]: # Create a dataframe from a dictionary without specified indices
         import pandas as pd
         # Declare a dictionary that has two key-value pairs
         # One key is "Name" that has its value = a list of strings
         # Another key is "Age" that has its value = a list of integers
         aDict = {'Name':['Tom','Jack','Steve','Ricky'],'Age': [28,34,29,42]}
         # Create the dataframe from the dictionary
         # VIP NOTES: Automatically adding the indices for the rows
         df = pd.DataFrame(aDict)
         print(df)
             Name Age
         0
             Tom
                   28
         1
             Jack
                    34
         2 Steve
                    29
         3 Ricky
                    42
In [23]: import pandas as pd
         avengersDict = {'Name': ['Tony Stark', 'Peter Parker', 'Bruce Banner'], 'Hero Name': [
         df = pd.DataFrame(avengersDict)
         print(df)
```

```
Name
                          Hero Name
              Tony Stark
         0
                           Iron-man
         1 Peter Parker Spider-man
         2 Bruce Banner
                                Hulk
In [24]: # Create a dataframe from a dictionary with specified indices
         import pandas as pd
         # Declare a dictionary that has two key-value pairs
         # One key is "Name" that has its value = a List of strings
         # Another key is "Age" that has its value = a list of integers
         aDict = { 'Name' : ['Tom', 'Jack', 'Steve', 'Ricky'], 'Age' : [28,34,29, 42]}
         # Create the dataframe from the dictionary
         # VIP NOTES: Specifying the indices for the rows
         df = pd.DataFrame(aDict, index=['rank1', 'rank2', 'rank3', ' rank4'])
         print(df)
                  Name Age
         rankl
                  Tom
                         28
         rank2
                  Jack
                         34
                         29
         rank3
                 Steve
          rank4 Ricky
                         42
In [25]: import pandas as pd
         acctDict = {'BankType': ['Checking', 'Savings', 'Fun Money'], 'Account Balance': [1248
         df = pd.DataFrame(acctDict, index=['High Priority', 'Med Priority', 'Low Priority'] )
         print(df)
                         BankType Account Balance
         High Priority
                         Checking
                                              1248
                                              2000
         Med Priority
                          Savings
         Low Priority Fun Money
                                                25
In [26]: # Create a dataframe from a dictionary of series
         import pandas as pd
         # Declare a dictionary of 2 series named 'one' and 'two'
         aDictOfSeries = {'one': pd.Series([1, 2, 3], index=['a', 'b', 'c']),
                  'two': pd.Series([1, 2, 3, 4], index=['a', 'b', 'c', 'd'])}
         # Create a dataframe from this dictionary
         # VIP NOTES: Each column of a dataframe is a series
         df = pd.DataFrame(aDictOfSeries)
         print(df)
            one two
         a 1.0
                   1
         b 2.0
                   2
         c 3.0
                   3
            NaN
                   4
In [27]: import pandas as pd
```

```
thingSeriesOfDict = {'thing-one': pd.Series([1,1,1], index = ['a1','b1','c1']),
                'thing-two': pd.Series([2,2,2], index = ['a2','b2','c2'])}
df = pd.DataFrame(thingSeriesOfDict)
print(df)
   thing-one thing-two
a1
          1.0
                     NaN
a2
         NaN
                     2.0
b1
          1.0
                     NaN
h2
         NaN
                     2.0
c1
          1.0
                     NaN
          NaN
                     2.0
c2
```

2.5 Access Dataframe Columns

Run the following code block:

```
In [28]: # Access a dataframe columns
         import pandas as pd
         # Declare a dictionary of 2 series named 'one' and 'two'
         aDictOfSeries = {'one': pd.Series([1, 2, 3], index= ['a', 'b', 'c']),
         'two': pd.Series([1, 2, 3, 4], index=['a', 'b', 'c', 'd'])}
         # Create a dataframe from this dictionary
         # VIP NOTES: Each column of a dataframe is a series
         df = pd.DataFrame(aDictOfSeries)
         # Access the column 'one' and print it out
         # HOW TO access a column: Using its label as a column index
         print(df['one'])
              1.0
         а
         b
              2.0
              3.0
         C
              NaN
         Name: one, dtype: float64
In [29]: import pandas as pd
         thingSeriesOfDict = {'thing-one': pd.Series([1,1,1], index = ['a1','b1','c1']),
                          'thing-two': pd.Series([2,2,2], index = ['a2','b2','c2'])}
         df = pd.DataFrame(thingSeriesOfDict)
         print(df['thing-two'])
         a1
               NaN
         a2
               2.0
         b1
               NaN
         h2
               2.0
         c1
               NaN
         c2
               2.0
         Name: thing-two, dtype: float64
```

2.6 Add Columns into a Dataframe

Run the following 2 code blocks:

```
In [30]: # Add columns into a dataframe
         import pandas as pd
         # Declare a dictionary of 2 series named 'one' and 'two'
         aDictOfSeries = {'one': pd. Series ([1, 2, 3], index= ['a', 'b', 'c']), 'two': pd.Seri
         # Create a dataframe from this dictionary
         # VIP NOTES: Each column of a dataframe is a series
         df = pd.DataFrame(aDictOfSeries)
         # Adding a new column to an existing DataFrame object with column label by passing new
         # Adding a new series into the dataframe as a new column: 'three'
         # First, creating a new series
         # Then, assign the new series into the new column
         df['three']=pd.Series([10, 20, 30],index=['a', 'b', 'c'])
         print(df)
            one two three
                   1
                       10.0
         a 1.0
         b 2.0
                   2
                       20.0
         c 3.0
                       30.0
         d NaN
                        NaN
In [33]: import pandas as pd
         thingSeriesOfDict = {'thing-one': pd.Series([1,1,1], index = ['a1','b1','c1']),
                          'thing-two': pd.Series([2,2,2], index = ['a2','b2','c2'])}
         df = pd.DataFrame(thingSeriesOfDict)
         df['thing-three'] = pd.Series([3,3,3], index = ['a3','b3','c3'])
         print(df)
             thing-one thing-two thing-three
         a1
                   1.0
                              NaN
                   NaN
                              2.0
                                           NaN
         a2
         b1
                   1.0
                              NaN
                                           NaN
         b2
                   NaN
                              2.0
                                           NaN
         c1
                   1.0
                              NaN
                                           NaN
         c2
                   NaN
                              2.0
                                           NaN
In [36]: # Add columns into a dataframe
         import pandas as pd
         # Declare a dictionary of 2 series named 'one' and 'two'
         aDictOfSeries = {'one': pd. Series ([1, 2, 3], index= ['a', 'b', 'c']), 'two': pd.Seri
         # Create a dataframe from this dictionary
         # VIP NOTES: Each column of a dataframe is a series
```

```
df = pd.DataFrame(aDictOfSeries)# Adding a new column using the existing columns in Dd
         df['three']=pd.Series([10, 20, 30],index=['a', 'b', 'c'])
         df['four'] = df['one'] + df['three']
         print('\n')
         print(df)
            one two three four
                  1
                       10.0 11.0
         a 1.0
                  2
         b 2.0
                       20.0 22.0
         c 3.0
                       30.0 33.0
                  3
         d NaN
                       NaN
                            NaN
In [37]: import pandas as pd
         thingSeriesOfDict = {'thing-one': pd.Series([1,1,1], index = ['a1','b1','c1']),
                         'thing-two': pd.Series([2,2,2], index = ['a2','b2','c2'])}
         df = pd.DataFrame(thingSeriesOfDict)
         df['thing-three'] = pd.Series([3,3,3], index = ['a3','b3','c3'])
         df['thing-four'] = df['thing-two'] * 2
         print(df)
             thing-one thing-two thing-three thing-four
                   1.0
                              NaN
                                           NaN
         a1
                              2.0
                                                       4.0
         a2
                   NaN
                                          NaN
         b1
                   1.0
                              NaN
                                          NaN
                                                      NaN
         b2
                   NaN
                              2.0
                                          NaN
                                                       4.0
                   1.0
                                                       NaN
         c1
                              NaN
                                           NaN
         c2
                   NaN
                              2.0
                                           NaN
                                                       4.0
```

2.7 Delete/Pop/Remove a Column from a Dataframe

Run the following code block:

```
In [38]: # Delete a column using del function
         import pandas as pd
         # Declare a dictionary of 2 series named 'one' and 'two'
         aDictOfSeries = {'one': pd.Series ([1, 2, 3],
         index = ['a', 'b', 'c']), 'two': pd.Series([1, 2, 3, 4],
         index = ['a', 'b', 'c', 'd']), 'three': pd.Series([10,20,30],
         index = ['a', 'b', 'c'])}
         # Create a dataframe from this dictionary
         # VIP NOTE: Each column of a dataframe is a series
         df = pd.DataFrame(aDictOfSeries)
         print(df)
         print('\n')
         # using del function to delete/remove the first column
         del(df['one'])
         print(df)
         print('\n')
         # using pop function to delete another column " 'two'
         # Deleting another column using PDP function
         df.pop('two')
         print(df)
```

```
one two three
                       10.0
         a 1.0
                   1
                   2
         b
            2.0
                       20.0
         c 3.0
                   3
                       30.0
         d NaN
                        NaN
            two three
              1
                  10.0
         b
              2
                  20.0
                  30.0
         C
              3
              4
                  NaN
         d
            three
             10.0
         а
         b
             20.0
         С
             30.0
              NaN
In [41]: import pandas as pd
         thingSeriesOfDict = {'thing-one': pd.Series([1,1,1], index = ['a1','b1','c1']),
                              'thing-two': pd.Series([2,2,2], index = ['a2','b2','c2']),
                              'thing-three': pd.Series([3,3,3], index = ['a3','b3','c3'])}
```

df = pd.DataFrame(thingSeriesOfDict)

print(df)

print(df)

print(df)

del(df['thing-one'])

df.pop('thing-two')

```
thing-one thing-two thing-three
           1.0
                       NaN
a1
                                     NaN
a2
           NaN
                       2.0
                                     NaN
а3
           NaN
                      NaN
                                     3.0
b1
           1.0
                      NaN
                                     NaN
b2
                       2.0
           NaN
                                     NaN
b3
                                     3.0
           NaN
                       NaN
c1
           1.0
                       NaN
                                     NaN
c2
           NaN
                       2.0
                                     NaN
с3
           NaN
                      NaN
                                     3.0
    thing-two thing-three
           NaN
                         NaN
a1
a2
           2.0
                         NaN
           NaN
                         3.0
а3
b1
           NaN
                         NaN
b2
           2.0
                         NaN
                         3.0
b3
           NaN
c1
           NaN
                         NaN
c2
           2.0
                         NaN
с3
           NaN
                         3.0
    thing-three
a1
             NaN
a2
             NaN
а3
             3.0
b1
             NaN
b2
             NaN
b3
             3.0
c1
             NaN
c2
             NaN
с3
             3.0
```

2.8 Access Rows of a Dataframe → loc & iloc

Run the following 3 code blocks:

```
In [42]: # Access rows of a dataframe using Loc function
         # Loc is a row index
         import pandas as pd
         aDictOfSeries = {'one': pd.Series ([1, 2, 3], index=['a', 'b', 'c']),
         'two':pd.Series([1, 2, 3, 4], index=['a', 'b', 'c', 'd'])}
         df = pd.DataFrame(aDictOfSeries)
         # Access the row with index='b' and print the row
         print(df.loc['b'])
         one
                2.0
                2.0
         Name: b, dtype: float64
In [43]:
        import pandas as pd
         thingSeriesOfDict = {'thing-one': pd.Series([1,1,1], index = ['a1','b1','c1']),
                               'thing-two': pd.Series([2,2,2], index = ['a2','b2','c2']),
                               'thing-three': pd.Series([3,3,3], index = ['a3','b3','c3'])}
```

```
df = pd.DataFrame(thingSeriesOfDict)
         print(df.loc['b2'])
         thing-one
                        NaN
         thing-two
                        2.0
                        NaN
         thing-three
         Name: b2, dtype: float64
In [44]: # Access rows of a dataframe using iLoc (integer Location/row index) function
         import pandas as pd
         aDictOfSeries = {'one': pd.Series ([1, 2, 3], index= ['a', 'b', 'c']),
         'two': pd.Series([1, 2, 3, 4], index=['a', 'b', 'c', 'd'])}
         df = pd.DataFrame(aDictOfSeries)
         # Access the row with index= '2' and print the row
         print(df.iloc[2])
         one
                3.0
         two
                3.0
         Name: c, dtype: float64
In [47]: import pandas as pd
         thingSeriesOfDict = {'thing-one': pd.Series([1,1,1], index = ['a1','b1','c1']),
                               'thing-two': pd.Series([2,2,2], index = ['a2','b2','c2']),
                               'thing-three': pd.Series([3,3,3], index = ['a3','b3','c3'])}
         df = pd.DataFrame(thingSeriesOfDict)
         print(df.iloc[0])
         thing-one
                        1.0
         thing-two
                        NaN
         thing-three
                        NaN
         Name: a1, dtype: float64
In [48]: # Access a group of rows using the ':' operator
         import pandas as pd
         aDictOfSeries = {'one': pd.Series ([1, 2, 3], index= ['a', 'b', 'c']),
         'two': pd.Series([1, 2, 3, 4], index=['a', 'b', 'c', 'd'])}
         df = pd.DataFrame(aDictOfSeries)
         # Access all the rows with indices 2, 3 and print them
         print(df[2:4])
            one two
         c 3.0
                   3
         d NaN
In [50]: import pandas as pd
         thingSeriesOfDict = {'thing-one': pd.Series([1,1,1], index = ['a1','b1','c1']),
                               'thing-two': pd.Series([2,2,2], index = ['a2','b2','c2']),
                               'thing-three': pd.Series([3,3,3], index = ['a3','b3','c3'])}
```

```
df = pd.DataFrame(thingSeriesOfDict)
print(df[2:-1])
    thing-one thing-two
                          thing-three
а3
          NaN
                      NaN
h1
          1.0
                      NaN
                                   NaN
b2
          NaN
                      2.0
                                   NaN
b3
          NaN
                      NaN
                                   3.0
c1
          1.0
                      NaN
                                   NaN
c2
          NaN
                      2.0
                                   NaN
```

2.9 Delete/Remove Rows from a Dataframe

Run the following code block:

```
In [59]: # Remove rows from a dataframe using the drop() function
         import pandas as pd
         df = pd.DataFrame([[1, 2] , [3, 4]], columns = ['a', 'b'])
         df2 = pd.DataFrame([[5, 6], [7, 8]], columns = ['a', 'b'])
         df = pd.concat([df, df2])
         # Drop rows with Label 0
         df = df.drop(0)
         print(df)
            a b
         1 3 4
         1 7 8
In [60]:
        import pandas as pd
         df = pd.DataFrame([[11, 12] , [13, 14]], columns = ['a', 'b'])
         df2 = pd.DataFrame([[15, 16], [17, 18]], columns = ['a', 'b'])
         df = pd.concat([df, df2])
         df = df.drop(1)
         print(df)
                 b
             а
            11 12
            15
                16
```

3. Load Data into DataFrame

To read data into a dataframe, we use this command:

```
pd.read_file_type(file_name)
```

Where file_type can be csv, excel, etc.

For example, for CSV files, the command to read a csv file: pd.read_csv()

Example:

You will have your datasets already loaded but I want you to have an exaple in case you challenge yourself and work on your own.

import pandas as pd

Reads the flights data set and create the dataframe flights

```
df_flights = pd.read_csv
('C:/DATA/DROPBOX/Dropbox/DATA_APPLS/DATASETS/flights_2 .
csv')
```

The command below would print out the 1st 5 rows of the dataframe that was created.

df_flights.head(5)