

# Pandas Cheat Sheet

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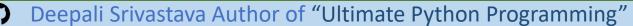
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### **Importing numpy and pandas** import numpy as np import pandas as pd Reading and writing data to files df = pd.read csv('data.csv') df.to csv('data.csv') df = pd.read excel('data.xlsx') df.to excel('data.xlsx') Reading a CSV with specific options df = pd.read csv( 'data.csv', sep=':', # CSV with colons as separating values index col=0, # Set the first column as the index usecols=['Name', 'Age'], # Read only 'Name' and 'Age' columns nrows=100, # Read first 100 rows only dtype={'Age': float}, # Ensure 'Age' is read as a float parse dates=['column 2'], # Parse 'column 2' as datetime encoding='utf-8' # Use UTF-8 encoding ) Reading a file that does not contain a header row df = pd.read csv('data.csv', header=None, # First row not treated as header names=['Name','Age','Phone'] # Manually specify column names Treat specific values as missing values (NaN) while reading a file # Values 'n.a.', 'n/a' or 'null' in any column are treated as missing values df = pd.read csv('data.csv', na values=['n.a.', 'n/a', 'null']) # Column-Specific Custom Missing Values df = pd.read csv('data.csv', na values={'email': ['unknown'], 'age':[-1], 'location': ['not available','n/a']})

#### **Data Exploration**

```
df.head(n) # Display the first n rows of the DataFrame
df.tail(n) # Display the last n rows of the DataFrame
df.sample(n) # Returns n random rows from the DataFrame
df.sample(frac=0.05) # Returns 5% random rows from the DataFrame
df.info() # Get a summary of the DataFrame, including data types and non-null values
df.describe() # Generate summary statistics for numerical columns
df.shape # Get the dimensions of the DataFrame in a tuple (rows, columns)
df.size # Returns the total number of elements in the DataFrame (rows x columns)
df.columns # List all column names in the DataFrame
Exploring and converting data types
df.dtypes # Get the data types of each column
df['age'].dtype # Get the data type of a specific column
df['salary'].astype('float64') # Convert the column from its existing data type into a float64
Indexing
# By default, Pandas assigns an integer index (0, 1, 2, 3, ...) to each row
df.index # Shows the row labels, which can be numeric (default) or custom labels (like strings, datetime, etc.)
df = df.set index('name') # Set 'name' column as the index
df = df.reset index() # Reset the index to the default integer index, original index will be added as a new column
'John' in df.index # Checking if a value exists in the index, Returns True or False
Correlation
# Getting pairwise correlation of numeric columns
correlation matrix = df.corr(numeric only=True) # Ensures only numeric columns are used
# Default method is 'pearson', can use 'kendall' or 'spearman'
correlation matrix = df.corr(numeric only=True ,method='pearson')
# Access a specific correlation value between two columns using .loc
correlation matrix.loc['age','salary'] # Correlation between column 'age' and 'salary'
```

#### **Commonly used aggregation functions**

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df.max() # Maximum value in each column
df['age'].max() # Maximum value in the 'age' column
df[['age', 'height']].max() # Maximum value in the 'age' and 'height' columns
df['age'].min() # Minimum value of 'age' column
df['age'].idxmax() # Index of the maximum value in 'age' column
df['age'].idxmin() # Index of minimum value in 'age' column
df.iloc[df['age'].idxmax()] # To get the row with maximum value
df['age'].mean() # Mean of the 'age' column
df['age'].median() # Median of the 'age' column
df['age'].mode() # returns most frequent value(s) of 'age' column in a Series
mode value = df['age'].mode()[0] # Accesses the first mode value from the Series
df['age'].sum() # Sum of the 'age' column
df['age'].count() # Number of non-null values in the 'age' column
df['age'].std() # Standard deviation of the 'age' column
df['age'].var() # Variance of the 'age' column
df['age'].prod() # Product of all values in the 'age' column
df['age'].quantile(0.25) # 25th percentile(first quartile) of 'age' column
df['age'].describe() # Summary statistics for the 'age' column
df['age'].cumsum() # Cumulative sum of 'age' column
# Use axis=1 to perform operations on rows, so you get results like row sums, row means, etc.
df.min(axis=1) # Minimum value in each row
df.sum(axis=1) # Sum of each row
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Iterating over a DataFrame
for index, row in df.iterrows():
    print(index) # Print the index of the current row.
    print(row) # Print the data of the current row.
Getting Unique Values and their Frequencies
# unique()returns an array of the unique values in the 'Class' column of df
df['Class'].unique()
# nunique() returns the number of unique values in the 'Class' column of df
df['Class'].nunique()
# Get a count per category for categorical columns
# value counts() returns a Series containing the count of occurrences of each unique value
df['Class'].value counts()  # Sorted in descending order by default, showing the most frequent values first
# Get the count of a specific category
count grade 9 = df['Class'].value counts()['Grade 9'] # Get the count of 'Grade 9' in 'Class' column
Identifying and Removing Duplicate Rows in a DataFrame
# Return a Boolean Series where True indicates a duplicate row.
df.duplicated()
# Count the number of duplicate (True) and unique (False) rows.
df.duplicated().value counts()
# Remove all duplicate rows, keeping only the first occurrence.
df.drop duplicates() # By default, it considers all columns
df.drop duplicates(subset=['column1', 'column2']) # check for duplicates only in specific columns
Identifying and Removing Duplicate Columns in a DataFrame
df.T.duplicated() # Check for duplicate columns by transposing the DataFrame and applying duplicated()
df.T.duplicated().value counts() # Count how many columns are unique (False) and how many are duplicates (True)
df = df.T.drop duplicates().T # Remove duplicate columns
```

#### **Data Selection**

```
# Selecting columns
df['column'] # Select a single column as a Series
df[['column']] # Select a single column as a DataFrame
df[['col1', 'col2']] # Select multiple columns as a DataFrame
# Index based selection using iloc operator,.
df.iloc[row positions, column positions] # Select data based on its numerical position in the dataframe
df.iloc[0] # Select a single row by position (here, the 0th row)
df.iloc[[0,2]] # Select multiple rows by position (here, the 0th and 2nd rows)
df.iloc[0,2] # Select specific rows and columns, (here, the value at 0th row and 2nd column)
# Slicing in iloc, start is included, end is excluded
df.iloc[0:2] # Slice rows from position 0 to 2 (excluding position 2)
df.iloc[:, 0:2] # Slice columns from position 0 to 2 (excluding position 2)
df.iloc[1:3, 0:2] # Rows 1 to 3 (excluding 3) and columns 0 to 2 (excluding 2)
df.iloc[:, 1] # Column at position 1
# Label based selection using loc operator,
df.loc[row label, col label] # Access rows and columns by label
df.loc['a'] # Select a single row by label
df.loc[['a', 'c']] # Select multiple rows by label
df.loc['a', 'City'] # Select a specific row and column
df.loc[['a', 'b'], ['Name', 'Age']] # Select a subset of rows and columns
df.loc[df['Age'] > 30] # Boolean indexing to filter rows based on a condition
# Slicing in loc: both start and end are included
df.loc['b':'d', 'Name':'City'] # Rows from 'b' to 'd' and columns from 'Name' to 'City'
df.loc['a':'c'] # Slice rows from 'a' to 'c'
df.loc[:, 'Name':'Age'] # Slice columns from 'Name' to 'Age'
df.loc['b':'d', 'Age'] # Rows from 'b' to 'd', only 'Age' column
df.loc[df['Age'] > 30, 'Name':'City'] # Select rows where 'Age' > 30 and specific columns
df.loc[df['Age'] > 25, 'Name'] # Slice rows with a condition and only 'Name' column
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#### Conditional Data selection: Filter rows based on a condition or multiple conditions

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# Use relational operators (<, >, ==, >=, <=, !=) to filter rows
df[df['age'] > 10]
# Combine multiple conditions using logical operators
df[(df['age'] > 20) & (df['score'] > 85)] # Each condition should be enclosed in parentheses
df[(df['age'] > 10) | (df['height'] < 150)]
# To filter rows where a column's value is in a specified list, use .isin()
df[df['city'].isin(['Bangalore', 'Bareilly', 'Agra'])]
df[~df['city'].isin(['Bangalore', 'Bareilly', 'Agra'])]
# Use .between() to filter rows where a column's values fall within a specified range
df[df['age'].between(20, 30)] # both 20 and 30 inclusive
df[df['age'].between(20, 30, inclusive = 'both')] # default - both 20 and 30 inclusive
df[df['age'].between(20, 30, inclusive='neither')] # Exclude both 20 and 30 from the filter
df[df['age'].between(20, 30, inclusive='left')] # Include 20 but exclude 30
df[df['age'].between(20, 30, inclusive='right')] # Exclude 20 but include 30
# Selecting specific columns after filtering
df[ cond1 & cond2][['col1', 'col2', 'col3']][:5]
# To filter rows where a column contains a specific string, use .str.contains()
df[df['Name'].str.contains('ux')]
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Changing values using .loc
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# Modify a single value
df.loc[1, 'age'] = 32 # Change 'age' of row with index 1(using integer index)
df.loc['Jim', 'age'] = 32 # Change 'age' of row with index 'Jim'( if 'name' column set as index)
# Modify multiple values
df.loc[0:1, 'city'] = 'Bengaluru' # Update 'city' for rows with index 0 and 1
# Modify based on a condition
df.loc[df['age'] > 30, 'age'] += 5 # Increase 'age' by 5 for rows where 'age' > 30
df.loc[df['qpa'] < 2.5, 'result'] = 'fail'  # Assign 'fail' to the 'result' column for rows where 'qpa' < 2.5
# Update an entire row
df.loc[1] = ['N/A', 'N/A', 'N/A'] # Set all values for row with index 1 to 'N/A'
# Update an entire column
df.loc[:,'city'] = 'Bareilly' # Set all values for 'city' column
Changing values using .iloc
# Modify a Single Value
df.iloc[0, 2] = 'Agra' # Change value at 0th row and 2nd column
# Modify Multiple Values
df.iloc[0:2, 1] = [28, 35] # For the 0<sup>th</sup> and 1<sup>st</sup> rows, Change 1<sup>st</sup> column values
# Update an entire row
df.iloc[1] = ['Ram', 32, 'Bareilly'] # Change the 1st row
# Update an entire column
df.iloc[:, 2] = 'Lucknow' # Set all values for 2nd column to 'Lucknow'
Faster single value updates using .at(label-based) or .iat(index-based)
df.at[1, 'name'] = 'Maruti' # Change 'name' of the row with index 1 to 'Maruti'
df.iat[1, 1] = 36 \# Update 1^{st} column of 1^{st} row
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Replacing Values
df = df.replace('Yes', 'Y')  # Replace a single value in the entire DataFrame
df = df['result'].replace('Pass','P') # Replace a single value in a specific column
df['result'] = df['result'].replace(['Pass', 'Fail'],['P', 'F']) # Replace multiple values in a column
df['result'] = df['result'].map({'Pass':'P', 'Fail':'F'}) # Replace multiple values using map
df['result'] = df['result'].replace(['Pass', 'Good', 'Satisfactory'], '1') # Replace multiple values with a single value
# Replacing multiple values in multiple columns
df = df.replace({
    'result': ['Pass', 'Fail'],
    'grade': ['A', 'B', 'C', 'D', 'F']
}, {
    'result': ['P', 'F'],
    'grade': ['4', '3', '2', '1', '0']
})
Clipping: Limiting the values within a specified range (useful in handling outliers)
# Clip values in column 'A' to be between 15 and 40
df['A'] = df['A'].clip(lower=15, upper=40) # Values lower than 15 replaced by 15, Values greater than 40 replaced by 40
# Clip all values in entire DataFrame to be between 10 and 30
df clipped = df.clip(lower=10, upper=30)
# Clip column 'A' to be between 15 and 40, and column 'B' to be between 10 and 40
df clipped = df.clip(lower={'A': 15, 'B': 10}, upper={'A': 40, 'B': 40})
Adding or modifying columns
# Add a new column or modify if the column already exists
df['country'] = 'India' # Creates a column with the same value for all rows (or updates if column exists)
df['age in months'] = df['age'] * 12 # Creates a column using an existing column (or updates if column exists)
df['total'] = df['marksA'] + df['marksB'] # Using a Calculation with multiple Columns
df['Maximum Marks'] = df['Maximum Marks'] + 10 # Modify the column
# Vectorized operation to add/modify a column based on 2 columns
df['type'] = np.where((df['age'] < 15) & (df['medals'] > 5), 'exceptional', 'normal')
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#### Apply a function to add/modify a column

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df['subject'] = df['subject'].apply(lambda name :name.strip().lower()) # Strip and lowercase text
def age category(age):
   return 'Young' if age < 18 else 'Adult'
df['category'] = df['age'].apply(age category) # Apply age category function to 'age' column
def func(age, medals):
    if age < 15 and medals> 5:
        return 'exceptional'
    else:
        return 'normal'
# Apply np.vectorize to the function for vectorized operation
df['type'] = np.vectorize(func)(df['age'], df['medals'])
Removing columns
df = df.drop('name', axis=1) # Drop the 'name' column
df = df[['name', 'age', 'phone']]  # Keep only 'name', 'age', and 'phone' columns, other columns dropped
Removing rows based on label index
df = df.drop('134ABC',errors='ignore') # Avoid error if index doesn't exist
Changing column names
df = df.rename(columns={'col1':'new col1','col2':'new col2', 'col3':'new col3'}) # Rename specific columns
df.columns = ['new col1', 'new col2', 'new col3'] # Rename all columns at once(make sure the length matches)
df.columns = [col.replace('%', '') for col in df.columns] # Remove '%' from column names
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#### **Finding missing Values**

```
df.isnull()
             # Returns a DataFrame with True for missing values
df.notnull() # Detect non-missing values
df.isnull().sum() # Count Missing Values in Each Column
df.isnull().values.any() # Check if Any Missing Value Exists
df[df.isnull().any(axis=1)] # Locate Rows with Missing Values
Filling missing values
# Fill all missing values in the DataFrame with 'unknown'
df = df.fillna('unknown')
# Fill all missing values in column 'gender' with 'unknown'
df['gender'] = df['gender'].fillna('unknown')
# Fill missing values in different columns with different values
df = df.fillna({'gender': 'unknown', 'age': -1, 'country': 'India'})
# Fill missing values in a column with column mean/median/mode
df['column name'] = df['column name'].fillna(df['column name'].mean())
df['column name'] = df['column name'].fillna(df['column name'].median())
df['column name'] = df['column name'].fillna(df['column name'].mode()[0])
# Fill Missing values with the Previous/Next Value
df = df.fillna(method='ffill') # Forward fill (uses previous row's value)
df = df.fillna(method='bfill') # Backward fill (uses next row's value)
# Fill missing values with interpolation
df['column name'] = df['column name'].interpolate() # Interpolate between available values
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Removing rows/columns that contain missing values
# Drop rows with any missing values
df = df.dropna()
# Drop rows with all values missing
df = df.dropna(how='all')
# Drop rows where 'price' and 'quantity' columns have missing values
df = df.dropna(subset=['price', 'quantity'])
# Drop rows that have fewer than 4 non-missing values, keeps rows where at least 4 columns have valid data
df = df.dropna(thresh=4) # thresh denotes minimum number of non-NaN values
# Drop columns with any missing values
df = df.dropna(axis=1)
# Drop any columns that have fewer than 100 non-null values in them
df = df.dropna(axis=1, thresh=100)
Copying a DataFrame or a part of it
# Assigning a DataFrame or part of it creates reference, modifying one will affect the other
df 1 = df
df adults = df[df['age'] > 18]
# Create an independent copy using copy()
# Copying entire DataFrame
df copy = df.copy()
# Copying Rows
some rows = df.iloc[:2].copy() # Copy the first two rows
df adults = df[df['age'] > 18].copy() # Copy rows where Age > 30
# Copying Columns
df 1 = df[['name', 'city']].copy() # Copy only the 'name' and 'city' columns
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Sort by single columns
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# Sort by single column, default is ascending order
df = df.sort values('column name')
df = df.sort values(by='column name') # Using the 'by' parameter for better clarity
# Sort by single column in descending order
df = df.sort values(by='column name', ascending = False)
# Sort by col1(ascending order) then by col2(descending order)
df = df.sort values(by=['col1', 'col2'], ascending=[True, False])
# Sort Rows by Index, default is ascending order
df.sort index()
# Sort Rows by Index in descending order
df.sort index(ascending=False)
# Sort column names, default is ascending order
df.sort index(axis=1)
# Descending Column Names
df.sort index(axis=1, ascending=False)
# key parameter for custom sorting
df.sort values(by='column name', key=lambda col: col.str.len()) # Sorting strings by length
# Filter the rows based on condition, select specific columns and then sort on columns 'col2'
df[condition][['col1', 'col2', 'col3']].sort values('col2')
Getting n largest and n smallest values for a column
# Using nsmallest and nlargest() is more efficient than using sort values with head() or tail()
df.nlargest(3, 'Marks') # Get top 3 largest values for 'Marks' column
df.nsmallest(3, 'Marks') # Get top 3 smallest values for 'Marks' column
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concat(): Combine DataFrames either vertically (stacking rows) or horizontally (joining columns)
# Concatenate vertically (stack rows).
# If DataFrames have different columns, missing columns are filled with Nan values
df vertical = pd.concat([df1, df2], axis=0, ignore index=True) # ignore index=True resets the index after concatenation
# Concatenate horizontally (join columns)
#If indices do not match for some rows, it will result in NaN values for the rows that don't exist in one of the DataFrames
df horizontal = pd.concat([df1, df2], axis=1) # rows are aligned by their index
# Concatenate with keys to distinguish the DataFrames, Adds hierarchical indexing
df all= pd.concat([males df, females df], axis=0, ignore index=True, keys=['males', 'females'])
df all.loc['males'] # Access data by key
df all.loc['females'] # Access data by key
merge(): Combine two DataFrames based on common columns or indices
pd.merge(df1, df2, on='ID', how='inner')
pd.merge(df1, df2, on='ID') # by default inner merge
pd.merge(df1, df2, on='ID', how='left')
pd.merge(df1, df2, on='ID', how='right')
                                                                               right
                                                                       left
                                                                                         outer
                                                               inner
pd.merge(df1, df2, on='ID', how='outer')
# Joining with different column names in the two DataFrames
pd.merge(df1, df2, left on='ID', right on='EmpID')
# Joining on column in left DataFrame and index in right DataFrame
pd.merge(df1, df2, left on='ID', right index=True)
# Merge with indicator flag, adds a new column to the resulting DataFrame called merge
# merge column indicates whether each row comes from left only, right only or both DataFrames
pd.merge(df1, df2, on='ID', how='outer', indicator=True)
# Merge with custom suffixes
# By default x and y added to columns with same names in both DataFrames(except column(s) used to join)
pd.merge(df1, df2, on='ID', how='outer', suffixes=(' df1', ' df2')) #Adds suufixes to the overlapping column names
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#### **Grouping and aggregating data:** Analysing data per category

#### **Common aggregations**

```
# Group by 'column name' and apply aggregation functions
df.groupby('column name').sum() # Sum of numeric columns
df.groupby('column name').mean() # Mean of numeric columns
df.groupby('column name').count() # Count of non-null values
df.groupby('column name').min() # Minimum value for each group
df.groupby('column name').max() # Maximum value for each group
df.groupby('column name').describe() # Summary statistics for each group
df.groupby('column name').plot() # Plot grouped data
df.groupby('grade').mean() # Group by 'grade'column and apply mean() for all numeric columns
df.groupby('grade')['height'].mean() # Group by 'grade'column and apply mean() only for 'height' column
df.groupby('grade')[['height', 'age']].mean() # Group by 'grade'column and apply mean() for 'height' and 'age' columns
Multiple aggregations using agg()
# Apply min(), mean() and max() for 'height' and 'age' columns
df.groupby('grade')[['height', 'age']].mean().agg(['min', 'mean', 'max'])
# Apply max() for 'age' column and mean() for 'height' column
df.groupby('grade').agg({ 'age': 'max', 'height': 'mean' })
Custom aggregation
df.groupby('grade').agg(func) # Apply custom function func()
df.groupby('store').agg({ 'sales': ['sum', 'mean'],
                          'items sold': lambda x: x.sum() / len(x) })
Multilevel grouping - grouping data by multiple columns
df.groupby(['grade', 'section']).mean() # grouped first by 'grade' then by 'section'
df.groupby(['grade', 'section']).mean().reset index() # convert the hierarchical index into a flat table
Groupby on filtered dataset
df[['name','age','grade']].groupby('grade').mean()
df[df['age'] > 10].groupby('grade').mean()
df[df['grade'].isin(['4','6'])].groupby('grade').mean()
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# After grouping, the grouped column(s) become the index, to reset the index call reset_index()
df.groupby('column_name').sum().reset_index()

# Prevent the grouped column from becoming the index
df.groupby('column_name', as_index=False).sum() # as_index=False keeps 'column_name' as a regular column

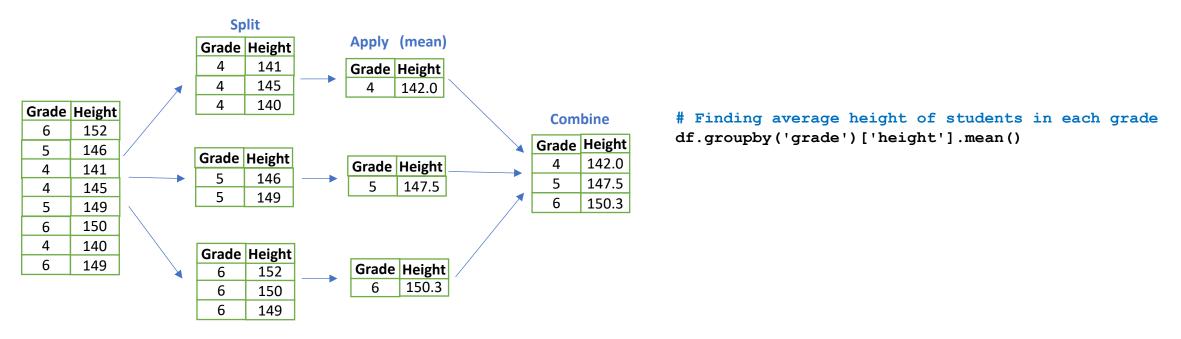
# Include or exclude entire groups based on some condition
df.groupby('column_name').filter(func) # Apply custom function 'func' to filter groups

# Include only those grades that contain more than 10 rows
df.groupby('grade').filter(lambda x : x.shape[0] > 10)

# Include only those grades for which average height is greater than 150
df.groupby('grade').filter(lambda x : x['height'].mean() > 150)

# Group by 'grade' column, find sum of numeric columns, sort the resulting DataFrame by the 'age' column
df.groupby('grade').sum().sort values('age')
```

#### Grouping and aggregation works by split-apply-combine



```
Iterating through groups
q = df.groupby('grade') # creates a GroupBy object by grouping the rows based on the unique values in the column 'grade'
for grade, data in q:
  print('Grade -', grade) # Print the group name (grade)
  print('Data - ')
  print(data) # Print the data for the specific group
  print('\n')
# Apply aggregate functions on the GroupBy object
g.mean() # Returns the mean value for each column in each group
q.max() # Returns the maximum value for each column in each group
g.size() # Returns the size of each group (number of rows per group)
Retrieve the DataFrame for a specific group
g = df.groupby('grade')
g.get group('6')
df.groupby('column name').get group('group value')
# Group by 'region' and 'store', get data for region='East' and store='A'
df.groupby(['region', 'store']).get group(('East', 'A'))
Working with strings
# .str accessor used to apply string methods to columns
df['name stripped'] = df['name with spaces'].str.strip() # Remove leading and trailing spaces
df['name replaced'] = df['name'].str.replace('a', '@') # Replace 'a' with '@' in the 'name' column
df['country'].str.upper().value counts() # Convert 'country' column to uppercase and get value counts
df['name split'] = df['name'].str.split(' ') # Split the 'name' column into a list of words
df['first name'] = df['name'].str.split(' ').str[0] # Get the first name (first element of list)
# Split the 'name' column into first and last name and expand into separate columns
df[['first name', 'last name']] = df['name'].str.split(' ', expand=True) # Expand into two new columns
```

# **Working with datetime** # Converting a Column to Datetime df['dob'] = pd.to datetime(df['dob']) # Convert the 'dob' column to datetime # Extract various components (year, month, day) from a datetime column. df['birth year'] = df['dob'].dt.year # Extract year from 'dob' df['birth month'] = df['dob'].dt.month # Extract month from 'dob' df['birth day'] = df['dob'].dt.day # Extract day from 'dob' df['dob'].dt.weekday # Get weekday (integer: Monday=0, Sunday=6) df['dob'].dt.day name() # Get the name of the day (e.g., 'Monday', 'Tuesday') # Convert a datetime object back to a string with a specific format using strftime df['formatted date'] = df['date'].dt.strftime('%Y-%m-%d') # Format datetime as 'YYYY-MM-DD' # Calculate the difference between two datetime columns using subtraction which results in aTimedelta object df['duration'] = df['end date'] - df['start date'] # Time difference between 'end date' and 'start date' df['days'] = df['duration'].dt.days # Extract the number of days from the Timedelta # Filtering by Date df[df['date'] > '2025-01-01'] # Filter rows where 'dob' is after January 1, 2025

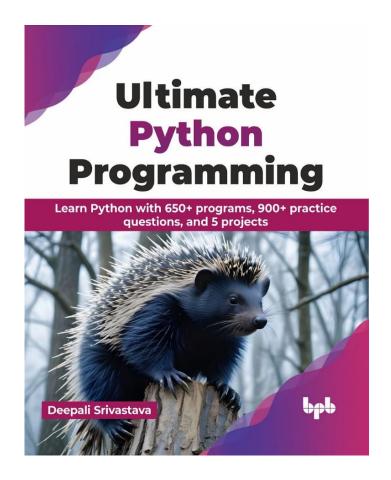
#### **Inserting Missing Dates**

df = df.reindex(daterange)

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daterange = pd.date range('2024-01-01', '2024-01-08', freq='D')
# Ensure the 'date' column is a datetime type and set it as index
df['date'] = pd.to datetime(df['date'])
df.set index('date', inplace=True)
# Reindex the DataFrame df to the new date range, Missing dates will create new rows with NaN values in all columns
```

# Create a complete date range from January 1, 2024, to January 8, 2024 with daily frequency

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