

## Lesson 08: Basic Operations

Data Science with Python – BSc Course

45 Minutes

**After this lesson, you will be able to:**

- Creating new columns
- `apply()` for transformations
- Arithmetic operations
- Sorting with `sort_values()`
- Calculating returns and moving averages

**Finance application:** Stock data processing and analysis

## Creating New Columns

```
df["Return"] = df["Close"].pct_change()
```

Calculate returns

```
df["MA20"] = df["Close"].rolling(20).mean()
```

Moving average

```
df["High_Low"] = df["High"] - df["Low"]
```

Price range

```
df["Signal"] = np.where(df["Return"]>0, 1, -1)
```

Conditional

## apply() Function

**Input Series**

185

190

188

`apply(lambda x: x*1.1)`

**Output Series**

203.5

209.0

206.8

### DataFrame Arithmetic

```
df["A"] + df["B"]
```

Element-wise addition

```
df["A"] * 100
```

Scalar multiplication

```
df["A"] / df["B"]
```

Division

```
df.sum()
```

Column sums

```
df.mean(axis=1)
```

Row means

### Sorting DataFrames

```
df.sort_values("Price")
```

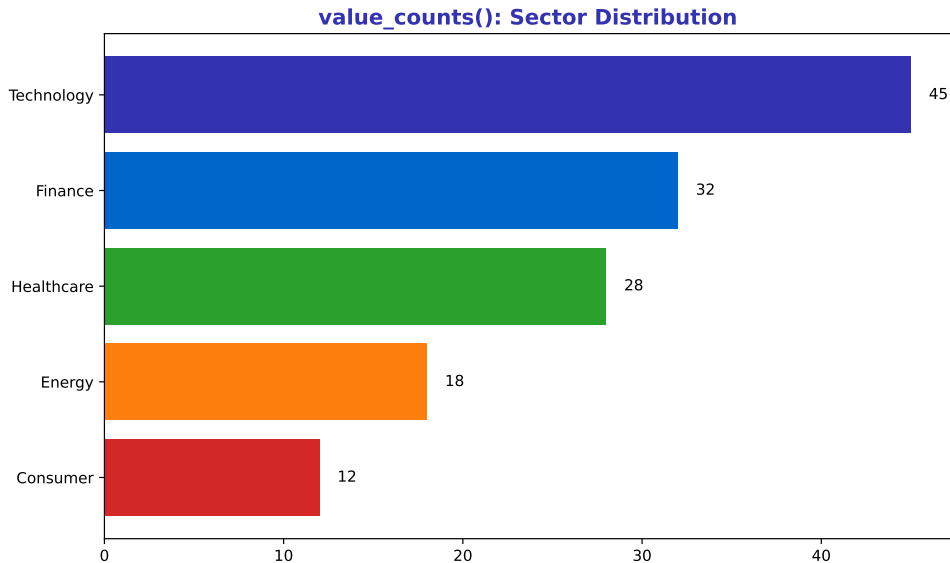
Sort by single column (ascending)

```
df.sort_values("Price", ascending=False)
```

Sort descending

```
df.sort_values(["Sector", "Price"])
```

Sort by multiple columns



## Calculating Returns

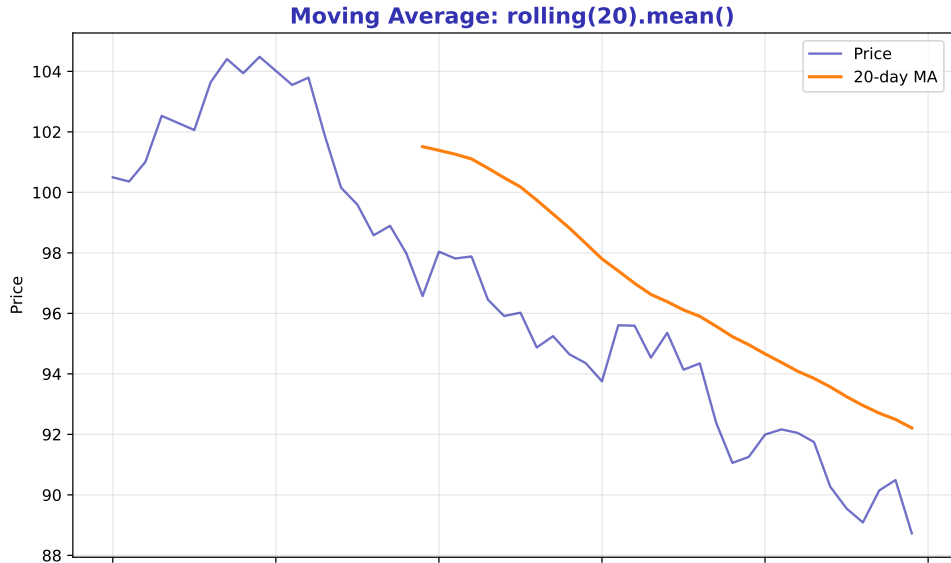
Simple Return:  $r_t = \frac{P_t - P_{t-1}}{P_{t-1}}$

```
df["Return"] = df["Price"].pct_change()
```

Log Return:  $r_t = \ln(P_t) - \ln(P_{t-1})$

```
df["LogRet"] = np.log(df["Price"]).diff()
```





### Operations Cheat Sheet

`pct_change()` - Returns

`diff()` - Differences

`cumsum()` - Cumulative sum

`cumprod()` - Cumulative product

`rolling(n)` - Rolling window

`shift(n)` - Lag values

`rank()` - Rankings

`clip(lower, upper)` - Bound values

### Key Takeaways:

- Creating new columns
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**Practice:** Apply these concepts to the stock price dataset.