

PYTHON CHEATSHEET: DATA SCIENCE BASICS

In this cheat sheet, we summarize common and useful functionality from Pandas, NumPy, and Scikit-Learn. To see the most up-to-date full version, visit the online cheatsheet at elitedatascience.com.

SETUP

First, make sure you have the following installed on your computer:

- Python 2.7+ or Python 3
- Pandas
- Jupyter Notebook (optional, but recommended)

*note: We strongly recommend installing the Anaconda Distribution, which comes with all of those packages.

IMPORTING DATA

pd.read_csv(filename)

pd.read_table(filename)

pd.read_excel(filename)

pd.read_sql(query, connection_object)

pd.read_json(json_string)

pd.read_html(url)

pd.read_clipboard()

pd.DataFrame(dict)

EXPLORING DATA

df.shape()

df.head(n)

df.tail(n)

df.info()

df.describe()

s.value_counts(dropna=False)

df.apply(pd.Series.value_counts)

df.describe()

df.mean()

df.corr()

df.count()

df.max()

df.min()

df.median()

df.std()

SELECTING

df[col]

df[[col1, col2]]

s.iloc[0]

s.loc[0]

df.iloc[0,:]

df.iloc[0,0]

DATA CLEANING

df.columns = ['a','b','c']

pd.isnull()

pd.notnull()

df.dropna()

df.dropna(axis=1)

df.dropna(axis=1,thresh=n)

df.fillna(x)

s.fillna(s.mean())

s.astype(float)

s.replace(1,'one')

s.replace([1,3],['one','three'])

df.rename(columns=lambda x: x + 1)

df.rename(columns={'old_name': 'new_ name'})

df.set_index('column_one')

df.rename(index=lambda x: x + 1)

FILTER, SORT AND GROUP BY

df[df[col] > 0.5]

df[(df[col] > 0.5) & (df[col] < 0.7)]

df.sort_values(col1)

df.sort_values(col2,ascending=False)

df.sort_values([col1,col2], ascending=[True,False])

df.groupby(col)

df.groupby([col1,col2])

df.groupby(col1)[col2].mean()

df.pivot_table(index=col1, values= col2,col3], aggfunc=mean)

df.groupby(col1).agg(np.mean)

df.apply(np.mean)

df.apply(np.max, axis=1)

JOINING AND COMBINING

df1.append(df2)

pd.concat([df1, df2],axis=1)

df1.join(df2,on=col1,how='inner')

WRITING DATA

df.to_csv(filename)

df.to_excel(filename)

df.to_sql(table_name, connection_object)

df.to_json(filename)

df.to_html(filename)

df.to_clipboard()