Pandas

As described at https://pandas.pydata.org (https://pandas.pydata.org)

> pandas is an open source, BSD-licensed library providing high-performance, easy-to-use data structures and data analysis tools for the Python programming language.

Resources

1. Ch 5-6 in Python for Data Analysis, 2nd Ed, Wes McKinney (UCalgary library and https://github.com/wesm/pydata-book (https://github.com/wesm/pydata-book))
2. Ch 3 in Python Data Science Handbook, Jake VanderPlas (Ucalgary library and https://github.com/jakevdp/PythonDataScienceHandbook (https://github.com/jakevdp/PythonDataScienceHandbook))

Let's explore some of the features.

First, import Pandas, and Numpy as a good companion.

In [38]:
```
import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
```

Create pandas DataFrames

There are several ways to create Pandas DataFrames, most notably from reading a csv (comma separated values file). DataFrames are 'spreadsheets' in Python. We will often use `df` as a variable name for a DataFrame.

If data is not stored in a file, a DataFrame can be created from a dictionary of lists

```
data = {'state': ['Ohio', 'Ohio', 'Ohio', 'Nevada', 'Nevada', 'Nevada'],
            'year': [2000, 2001, 2002, 2001, 2002, 2003],
            'pop': [1.5, 1.7, 3.6, 2.4, 2.9, 3.2]}
frame = pd.DataFrame(data)
```

where dictionary keys become column headers.

An alternative is to create from a numpy array and set column headers seperatly:

In [39]:
```
# From a numpy array
df = pd.DataFrame( np.arange(20).reshape(5,4), columns=['alpha', 'beta', 'gam
df
```

Out[39]:

	alpha	beta	gamma	delta
0	0	1	2	3
1	4	5	6	7
2	8	9	10	11
3	12	13	14	15
4	16	17	18	19

In [40]:
```
# checking its type
type(df)
```

Out[40]:
```
pandas.core.frame.DataFrame
```

Indexing

Accessing data in Dataframes is done by rows and columns, either index or label based.

In [41]:
```
# select a column
df['alpha']
```

Out[41]:
```
0     0
1     4
2     8
3    12
4    16
Name: alpha, dtype: int32
```

In [42]:
```
# select two columns
df[['alpha', 'gamma']]
```

Out[42]:

	alpha	gamma
0	0	2
1	4	6
2	8	10
3	12	14
4	16	18

In [43]:
```
# select rows
df.iloc[:2]
```

Out[43]:

	alpha	beta	gamma	delta
0	0	1	2	3
1	4	5	6	7

In [44]:
```
# select rows and columns
df.iloc[:2, :2]
```

Out[44]:

	alpha	beta
0	0	1
1	4	5

In [45]:
```
# select rows and columns, mixed
df.loc[:2, ['alpha', 'beta']]
```

Out[45]:

	alpha	beta
0	0	1
1	4	5
2	8	9

DataFrame math

Similar to Numpy, DataFrames support direct math

In [46]:
```
# direct math
df2 = (9/5) * df + 32
df2
```

Out[46]:

	alpha	beta	gamma	delta
0	32.0	33.8	35.6	37.4
1	39.2	41.0	42.8	44.6
2	46.4	48.2	50.0	51.8
3	53.6	55.4	57.2	59.0
4	60.8	62.6	64.4	66.2

In [47]:
```
# add two dataframes of same shape
df + df2
```

Out[47]:

	alpha	beta	gamma	delta
0	32.0	34.8	37.6	40.4
1	43.2	46.0	48.8	51.6
2	54.4	57.2	60.0	62.8
3	65.6	68.4	71.2	74.0
4	76.8	79.6	82.4	85.2

In [48]:
```
# map a function to each column
f = lambda x: x.max() - x.min()

df.apply(f)
```

Out[48]:
```
alpha    16
beta     16
gamma    16
delta    16
dtype: int64
```

DataFrame manipulation

Adding and deleting columns, as well as changing entries is similar to Python dictionaries.

Note that most DataFrame methods do not change the DataFrame directly, but return a new DataFrame. It is always good to check how the method you are invoking behaves.

In [49]:
```
# add a column
df['epsilon'] = ['low', 'medium', 'low', 'high', 'high']
df
```

Out[49]:

	alpha	beta	gamma	delta	epsilon
0	0	1	2	3	low
1	4	5	6	7	medium
2	8	9	10	11	low
3	12	13	14	15	high
4	16	17	18	19	high

In [50]:
```
# What is the size?
df.shape
```

Out[50]: (5, 5)

In [51]:
```
# delete column
df_dropped = df.drop(columns=['gamma'])
df_dropped
```

Out[51]:

	alpha	beta	delta	epsilon
0	0	1	3	low
1	4	5	7	medium
2	8	9	11	low
3	12	13	15	high
4	16	17	19	high

In [52]:
```
# the original dataframe is unaffected
df
```

Out[52]:

	alpha	beta	gamma	delta	epsilon
0	0	1	2	3	low
1	4	5	6	7	medium
2	8	9	10	11	low
3	12	13	14	15	high
4	16	17	18	19	high

Let's create a copy and assign new values to the first column:

In [53]:
```
df_copy = df.copy()
df_copy['alpha'] = 20
print(df)
print(df_copy)
```

```
   alpha  beta  gamma  delta epsilon
0      0     1      2      3     low
1      4     5      6      7  medium
2      8     9     10     11     low
3     12    13     14     15    high
4     16    17     18     19    high
   alpha  beta  gamma  delta epsilon
0     20     1      2      3     low
1     20     5      6      7  medium
2     20     9     10     11     low
3     20    13     14     15    high
4     20    17     18     19    high
```

DataFrames can be sorted by column:

In [54]:
```
# sorting values
df.sort_values(by='epsilon')
```

Out[54]:

	alpha	beta	gamma	delta	epsilon
3	12	13	14	15	high
4	16	17	18	19	high
0	0	1	2	3	low
2	8	9	10	11	low
1	4	5	6	7	medium

Load data from file

Most often data will come from somewhere, often csv files, and using `pd.read_csv()` will allow smooth creation of DataFrames.

Let's load that same heart-attack.csv that we used in Numpy before:

In [55]:
```
data = pd.read_csv('auto-mpg.csv')
```

After loading data, it is good practice to check what we have. Usually, the sequences is:

1. Check dimension
2. Peek at the first rows
3. Get info on data types and missing values
4. Summarize columns

In [56]:
```
# Check dimension (rows, columns)
data.shape
```

Out[56]:
```
(398, 9)
```

In [57]:
```
# Peek at the first rows
data.head()
```

Out[57]:

	mpg	cylinders	displacement	horsepower	weight	acceleration	model year	origin	car name
0	18.0	8	307.0	130	3504	12.0	70	1	chevrolet chevelle malibu
1	15.0	8	350.0	165	3693	11.5	70	1	buick skylark 320
2	18.0	8	318.0	150	3436	11.0	70	1	plymouth satellite
3	16.0	8	304.0	150	3433	12.0	70	1	amc rebel sst
4	17.0	8	302.0	140	3449	10.5	70	1	ford torino

In [58]:
```
# Column names are
data.columns
```

Out[58]:
```
Index(['mpg', 'cylinders', 'displacement', 'horsepower', 'weight',
       'acceleration', 'model year', 'origin', 'car name'],
      dtype='object')
```

In [59]:
```
# Get info on data types and missing values
data.info()
```

```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 398 entries, 0 to 397
Data columns (total 9 columns):
 #   Column        Non-Null Count  Dtype  
---  ------        --------------  -----  
 0   mpg           398 non-null    float64
 1   cylinders     398 non-null    int64  
 2   displacement  398 non-null    float64
 3   horsepower    398 non-null    object 
 4   weight        398 non-null    int64  
 5   acceleration  398 non-null    float64
 6   model year    398 non-null    int64  
 7   origin        398 non-null    int64  
 8   car name      398 non-null    object 
dtypes: float64(3), int64(4), object(2)
memory usage: 28.1+ KB
```

Summarize values

What is the mean, std, min, max in each column?

In [60]:
```
data.mean()
```

```
C:\Users\Owner\AppData\Local\Temp\ipykernel_7332\531903386.py:1: FutureWarn
ing: Dropping of nuisance columns in DataFrame reductions (with 'numeric_on
ly=None') is deprecated; in a future version this will raise TypeError.  Se
lect only valid columns before calling the reduction.
  data.mean()
```

Out[60]:
```
mpg              23.514573
cylinders         5.454774
displacement    193.425879
weight         2970.424623
acceleration     15.568090
model year       76.010050
origin            1.572864
dtype: float64
```

In [61]:
```
# where are the other columns? Check data types
data.dtypes
```

Out[61]:
```
mpg             float64
cylinders         int64
displacement    float64
horsepower       object
weight            int64
acceleration    float64
model year        int64
origin            int64
car name         object
dtype: object
```

Notice that many columns are of type object, which is not a number. Maybe this has to do with missing values? We know from peeking at the first rows that there are '?' values in there. Let's replace these with the string NaN for not-a-number.

In [62]:
```
# replace '?' with 'NaN'
data = data.replace({'?': 'NaN'})
data.head()
```

Out[62]:

	mpg	cylinders	displacement	horsepower	weight	acceleration	model year	origin	car name
0	18.0	8	307.0	130	3504	12.0	70	1	chevrolet chevelle malibu
1	15.0	8	350.0	165	3693	11.5	70	1	buick skylark 320
2	18.0	8	318.0	150	3436	11.0	70	1	plymouth satellite
3	16.0	8	304.0	150	3433	12.0	70	1	amc rebel sst
4	17.0	8	302.0	140	3449	10.5	70	1	ford torino

Pandas knows that 'NaN' probably means that numbers are missing. Now we can convert the data type from object to float

In [63]:
```
# convert dtypes
float_cols = [col for col in data.columns if col !="car name"]
data[float_cols] = data[float_cols].astype('float')
data.dtypes
```

Out[63]:
```
mpg             float64
cylinders       float64
displacement    float64
horsepower      float64
weight          float64
acceleration    float64
model year      float64
origin          float64
car name         object
dtype: object
```

We could have loaded the data with the `na_values` argument to indicate that '?' means missing number:

In [64]:
```
data = pd.read_csv('auto-mpg.csv', na_values='?')
data.dtypes
```

Out[64]:
```
mpg             float64
cylinders         int64
displacement    float64
horsepower      float64
weight            int64
acceleration    float64
model year        int64
origin            int64
car name         object
dtype: object
```

This worked nicely. Now we can describe all columns, meaning printing basic statistics. Note that by default Pandas ignores NaN, whereas Numpy does not.

In [65]:
```
data.describe() # ignores NaN
```

Out[65]:

	mpg	cylinders	displacement	horsepower	weight	acceleration	model ye
count	398.000000	398.000000	398.000000	392.000000	398.000000	398.000000	398.0000
mean	23.514573	5.454774	193.425879	104.469388	2970.424623	15.568090	76.0100
std	7.815984	1.701004	104.269838	38.491160	846.841774	2.757689	3.6976
min	9.000000	3.000000	68.000000	46.000000	1613.000000	8.000000	70.0000
25%	17.500000	4.000000	104.250000	75.000000	2223.750000	13.825000	73.0000
50%	23.000000	4.000000	148.500000	93.500000	2803.500000	15.500000	76.0000
75%	29.000000	8.000000	262.000000	126.000000	3608.000000	17.175000	79.0000
max	46.600000	8.000000	455.000000	230.000000	5140.000000	24.800000	82.0000

We could be interested by these statistics in each of the genders. To get these, we first group values by gender, then ask for the description. We will only look at age for clarity

In [66]:
```
data.groupby(by='origin').describe().mpg
```

Out[66]:

origin	count	mean	std	min	25%	50%	75%	max
1	249.0	20.083534	6.402892	9.0	15.0	18.5	24.00	39.0
2	70.0	27.891429	6.723930	16.2	24.0	26.5	30.65	44.3
3	79.0	30.450633	6.090048	18.0	25.7	31.6	34.05	46.6

Find NaNs

How many NaNs in each column?

We can ask which entries are null, which produces a boolean array

In [67]:
```
data.isnull()
```

Out[67]:

	mpg	cylinders	displacement	horsepower	weight	acceleration	model year	origin	car name
0	False	False	False	False	False	False	False	False	False
1	False	False	False	False	False	False	False	False	False
2	False	False	False	False	False	False	False	False	False
3	False	False	False	False	False	False	False	False	False
4	False	False	False	False	False	False	False	False	False
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
393	False	False	False	False	False	False	False	False	False
394	False	False	False	False	False	False	False	False	False
395	False	False	False	False	False	False	False	False	False
396	False	False	False	False	False	False	False	False	False
397	False	False	False	False	False	False	False	False	False

398 rows × 9 columns

Applying `sum()` to this boolean array will count the number of `True` values in each column

In [68]:
```
data.isnull().sum()
```

Out[68]:
```
mpg             0
cylinders       0
displacement    0
horsepower      6
weight          0
acceleration    0
model year      0
origin          0
car name        0
dtype: int64
```

We get complementary information from `info()`

In [69]:
```
data.info()
```

```
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RangeIndex: 398 entries, 0 to 397
Data columns (total 9 columns):
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 1   cylinders     398 non-null    int64  
 2   displacement  398 non-null    float64
 3   horsepower    392 non-null    float64
 4   weight        398 non-null    int64  
 5   acceleration  398 non-null    float64
 6   model year    398 non-null    int64  
 7   origin        398 non-null    int64  
 8   car name      398 non-null    object 
dtypes: float64(4), int64(4), object(1)
memory usage: 28.1+ KB
```

We can fill (replace) these missing values, for example with the minimum value in each column

In [70]:
```
data.fillna(data.min()).describe()
```

Out[70]:

	mpg	cylinders	displacement	horsepower	weight	acceleration	model ye
count	398.000000	398.000000	398.000000	398.000000	398.000000	398.000000	398.0000
mean	23.514573	5.454774	193.425879	103.587940	2970.424623	15.568090	76.0100
std	7.815984	1.701004	104.269838	38.859575	846.841774	2.757689	3.6976
min	9.000000	3.000000	68.000000	46.000000	1613.000000	8.000000	70.0000
25%	17.500000	4.000000	104.250000	75.000000	2223.750000	13.825000	73.0000
50%	23.000000	4.000000	148.500000	92.000000	2803.500000	15.500000	76.0000
75%	29.000000	8.000000	262.000000	125.000000	3608.000000	17.175000	79.0000
max	46.600000	8.000000	455.000000	230.000000	5140.000000	24.800000	82.0000

Count unique values (a histogram)

We finish off, with our good friend the histogram

In [71]:
```
data['mpg'].value_counts()
```

Out[71]:
```
13.0    20
14.0    19
18.0    17
15.0    16
26.0    14
        ..
31.9     1
16.9     1
18.2     1
22.3     1
44.0     1
Name: mpg, Length: 129, dtype: int64
```