Pandas Data Frames

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What is Pandas?



Pandas library for Python

- Open source library for data analysis
- Name from "panel data" (econometrics term)
- Built on NumPy
- Creates a DataFrame object
- Easy import from CSV and Excel

Import statement

Conventional format:

import pandas as pd

• Use this to make your code compatible with everyone else's code

Series



Series

- A specific one-dimensional data structure with named elements.
- Pandas series are built from NumPy arrays + an index (numbers and labels).
- Series items can be referenced by either their integer index or string label.
- Series are built by instantiating a pd. Series () object
- Use index = [list] argument to assign a list as the labels.

Series can be used in vectorized operations just like NumPy arrays.

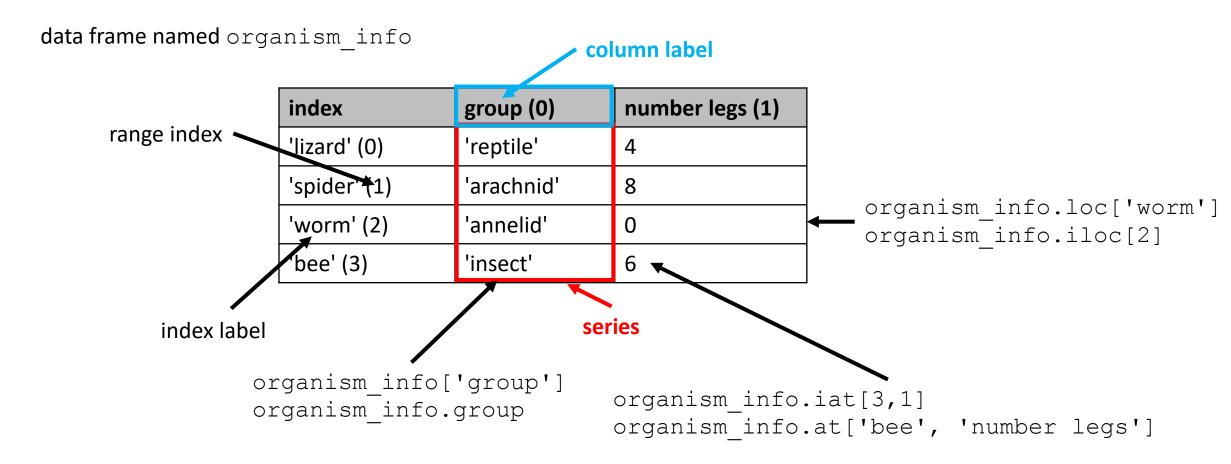
Data frames



Data frames

- A specific two-dimensional data structure designed to be like a spreadsheet.
- Pandas data frames are built from a set of series (one series for each column).
- Column series share a common index (integer and label).
- Data frames are built by instantiating a pd.DataFrame() object.
- Use **index** = [list] argument to assign a list as the labels.

Data frames



- Data frames are essentially tables
- The column values are series.

Data frame attributes and methods

- .head() to display first five lines
- .loc[] to refer to a row by label
- .iloc[] to refer to a row by integer number
- .index to refer to the line indices

Loading data frames from files



File read and write functions

pd.read csv() read from a CSV file into a data frame.

pd.to_csv() write from a data frame to a CSV file.

pd.read_excel() read from an Excel file into a data frame.

pd.to_excel() write from a data frame to an Excel file.

The read functions can be performed using a web URL

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