

Week 3, Lecture 6

Data Analysis with Pandas & Matplotlib Visualization

Lecture Overview

This lecture advances your pandas skills with groupby operations, data aggregation, merging/joining datasets, and introduces data visualization using Matplotlib. These techniques are essential for exploratory data analysis (EDA) and understanding patterns in your datasets before building machine learning models.

Topics Covered:

- GroupBy operations and aggregation
- Merging and joining DataFrames
- Data transformation and reshaping
- Matplotlib basics: plots, customization
- Statistical visualizations
- Multiple subplots and figure layouts

1. GroupBy Operations

1.1 Basic GroupBy

```
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np

# Create sample data
data = {
    'Department': ['Engineering', 'Marketing', 'Engineering', 'Sales',
                  'Marketing', 'Engineering', 'Sales', 'Marketing'],
    'Employee': ['Alice', 'Bob', 'Charlie', 'David',
                'Eve', 'Frank', 'Grace', 'Henry'],
    'Salary': [70000, 65000, 80000, 60000, 68000, 75000, 62000, 70000],
    'Years': [2, 5, 8, 3, 6, 4, 2, 7]
}
df = pd.DataFrame(data)

print("GroupBy Operations")
print("="*70)
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print("Original DataFrame:")
print(df)

# Group by Department
grouped = df.groupby('Department')

# Basic aggregation
print("\nAverage salary by department:")
print(grouped['Salary'].mean())

print("\nMultiple aggregations:")
print(grouped['Salary'].agg(['mean', 'min', 'max', 'count']))

```

GroupBy Operations

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Original DataFrame:
  Department Employee Salary Years
0 Engineering  Alice  70000     2
1 Marketing   Bob   65000     5
2 Engineering Charlie 80000     8
3 Sales      David  60000     3
4 Marketing   Eve   68000     6
5 Engineering Frank  75000     4
6 Sales      Grace  62000     2
7 Marketing   Henry  70000     7

Average salary by department:
Department
Engineering    75000.0
Marketing      67666.7
Sales          61000.0
Name: Salary, dtype: float64

Multiple aggregations:
      mean  min  max count
Department
Engineering  75000.0  70000  80000     3
Marketing    67666.7  65000  70000     3
Sales        61000.0  60000  62000     2

```

1.2 Advanced GroupBy

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# Multiple aggregations per column
print("Advanced GroupBy")
print("="*70)

# Different aggregations for different columns
agg_dict = {

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    'Salary': ['mean', 'sum'],
    'Years': ['mean', 'max']
}
result = df.groupby('Department').agg(agg_dict)
print("Different aggregations per column:")
print(result)

# Custom aggregation function
def salary_range(x):
    return x.max() - x.min()

print("\nCustom aggregation (salary range):")
print(df.groupby('Department')['Salary'].agg(salary_range))

# Group by multiple columns
df['Experience'] = pd.cut(df['Years'], bins=[0, 3, 6, 10],
                        labels=['Junior', 'Mid', 'Senior'])

print("\nGroup by Department and Experience:")
multi_group = df.groupby(['Department', 'Experience'])['Salary'].mean()
print(multi_group)

```

Advanced GroupBy

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Different aggregations per column:

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	Salary	Years		
	mean	sum	mean	max
Department				
Engineering	75000.0	225000	4.7	8
Marketing	67666.7	203000	6.0	7
Sales	61000.0	122000	2.5	3

Custom aggregation (salary range):

Department	Salary
Engineering	10000
Marketing	5000
Sales	2000

Name: Salary, dtype: int64

Group by Department and Experience:

Department	Experience	Salary
Engineering	Junior	70000.0
	Mid	75000.0
	Senior	80000.0
Marketing	Mid	66500.0
	Senior	70000.0

Sales Junior 61000.0
Name: Salary, dtype: float64

2. Merging and Joining DataFrames

2.1 Concatenation

```
# Concatenating DataFrames
print("Concatenation")
print("="*70)

df1 = pd.DataFrame({
    'Name': ['Alice', 'Bob'],
    'Score': [85, 90]
})

df2 = pd.DataFrame({
    'Name': ['Charlie', 'David'],
    'Score': [88, 92]
})

print("DataFrame 1:")
print(df1)
print("\nDataFrame 2:")
print(df2)

# Vertical concatenation (stack rows)
concat_vertical = pd.concat([df1, df2], ignore_index=True)
print("\nVertical concatenation:")
print(concat_vertical)

# Horizontal concatenation (stack columns)
df3 = pd.DataFrame({'Age': [25, 30]})
concat_horizontal = pd.concat([df1, df3], axis=1)
print("\nHorizontal concatenation:")
print(concat_horizontal)
```

Concatenation

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DataFrame 1:

	Name	Score
0	Alice	85
1	Bob	90

DataFrame 2:

	Name	Score
0	Charlie	88

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1 David 92
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Vertical concatenation:

```
      Name Score
0  Alice   85
1   Bob   90
2 Charlie  88
3  David   92
```

Horizontal concatenation:

```
      Name Score Age
0  Alice   85  25
1   Bob   90  30
```

2.2 Merge (Join)

```
# Merging DataFrames (SQL-style joins)
print("Merging DataFrames")
print("="*70)

employees = pd.DataFrame({
    'EmployeeID': [1, 2, 3, 4],
    'Name': ['Alice', 'Bob', 'Charlie', 'David'],
    'DeptID': [101, 102, 101, 103]
})

departments = pd.DataFrame({
    'DeptID': [101, 102, 103],
    'Department': ['Engineering', 'Marketing', 'Sales']
})

print("Employees:")
print(employees)
print("\nDepartments:")
print(departments)

# Inner join (default)
merged_inner = pd.merge(employees, departments, on='DeptID')
print("\nInner join:")
print(merged_inner)

# Left join
employees_new = pd.DataFrame({
    'EmployeeID': [5],
    'Name': ['Eve'],
    'DeptID': [104] # Department doesn't exist
})
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all_employees = pd.concat([employees, employees_new], ignore_index=True)

merged_left = pd.merge(all_employees, departments, on='DeptID', how='left')
print("\nLeft join (with missing department):")
print(merged_left)
```

Merging DataFrames

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Employees:

	EmployeeID	Name	DeptID
0	1	Alice	101
1	2	Bob	102
2	3	Charlie	101
3	4	David	103

Departments:

	DeptID	Department
0	101	Engineering
1	102	Marketing
2	103	Sales

Inner join:

	EmployeeID	Name	DeptID	Department
0	1	Alice	101	Engineering
1	3	Charlie	101	Engineering
2	2	Bob	102	Marketing
3	4	David	103	Sales

Left join (with missing department):

	EmployeeID	Name	DeptID	Department
0	1	Alice	101	Engineering
1	2	Bob	102	Marketing
2	3	Charlie	101	Engineering
3	4	David	103	Sales
4	5	Eve	104	NaN

3. Data Transformation

3.1 Apply and Map

```
# Apply functions to data
print("Apply and Map")
print("="*70)

df_salary = pd.DataFrame({
    'Name': ['Alice', 'Bob', 'Charlie'],
    'Salary': [70000, 80000, 75000]
})
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print("Original DataFrame:")
print(df_salary)

# Apply function to column
df_salary['Salary_K'] = df_salary['Salary'].apply(lambda x: x / 1000)
print("\nAfter applying lambda (salary in thousands):")
print(df_salary)

# Map for categorical data
salary_category = {
    70000: 'Standard',
    75000: 'Standard',
    80000: 'High'
}
df_salary['Category'] = df_salary['Salary'].map(salary_category)
print("\nAfter mapping to categories:")
print(df_salary)

# Apply to entire row
def bonus_calculator(row):
    if row['Salary'] > 75000:
        return row['Salary'] * 0.15
    else:
        return row['Salary'] * 0.10

df_salary['Bonus'] = df_salary.apply(bonus_calculator, axis=1)
print("\nWith calculated bonus:")
print(df_salary)

```

Apply and Map

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Original DataFrame:

	Name	Salary
0	Alice	70000
1	Bob	80000
2	Charlie	75000

After applying lambda (salary in thousands):

	Name	Salary	Salary_K
0	Alice	70000	70.0
1	Bob	80000	80.0
2	Charlie	75000	75.0

After mapping to categories:

	Name	Salary	Salary_K	Category
0	Alice	70000	70.0	Standard

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1 Bob 80000 80.0 High
2 Charlie 75000 75.0 Standard
```

With calculated bonus:

```
   Name Salary Salary_K Category Bonus
0 Alice 70000   70.0 Standard  7000.0
1 Bob 80000   80.0   High 12000.0
2 Charlie 75000  75.0 Standard  7500.0
```

3.2 Pivot Tables

```
# Pivot tables for reshaping
print("Pivot Tables")
print("="*70)

sales_data = pd.DataFrame({
    'Date': ['2024-01', '2024-01', '2024-02', '2024-02'],
    'Product': ['A', 'B', 'A', 'B'],
    'Sales': [100, 150, 120, 160],
    'Region': ['East', 'East', 'West', 'West']
})

print("Sales data:")
print(sales_data)

# Create pivot table
pivot = sales_data.pivot_table(
    values='Sales',
    index='Date',
    columns='Product',
    aggfunc='sum'
)

print("\nPivot table (Sales by Date and Product):")
print(pivot)

# Pivot with multiple aggregations
pivot_multi = sales_data.pivot_table(
    values='Sales',
    index='Region',
    columns='Product',
    aggfunc=['sum', 'mean']
)

print("\nMultiple aggregations:")
print(pivot_multi)
```


Pivot Tables

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Sales data:

	Date	Product	Sales	Region
0	2024-01	A	100	East
1	2024-01	B	150	East
2	2024-02	A	120	West
3	2024-02	B	160	West

Pivot table (Sales by Date and Product):

Product	A	B
Date		
2024-01	100	150
2024-02	120	160

Multiple aggregations:

	sum	mean		
Product	A	B	A	B
Region				
East	100	150	100	150
West	120	160	120	160

4. Matplotlib Visualization

4.1 Basic Plots

```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

# Create sample data
x = np.linspace(0, 10, 100)
y1 = np.sin(x)
y2 = np.cos(x)

print("Matplotlib Basics")
print("="*70)

# Line plot
plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6))
plt.plot(x, y1, label='sin(x)', linewidth=2)
plt.plot(x, y2, label='cos(x)', linewidth=2, linestyle='--')
plt.xlabel('x', fontsize=12)
plt.ylabel('y', fontsize=12)
plt.title('Trigonometric Functions', fontsize=14, fontweight='bold')
plt.legend()
plt.grid(True, alpha=0.3)
plt.savefig('trig_plot.png', dpi=100, bbox_inches='tight')
```

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print("Saved: trig_plot.png")

# Scatter plot
np.random.seed(42)
x_scatter = np.random.randn(100)
y_scatter = 2 * x_scatter + np.random.randn(100)

plt.figure(figsize=(8, 6))
plt.scatter(x_scatter, y_scatter, alpha=0.6, s=50, c='blue')
plt.xlabel('X', fontsize=12)
plt.ylabel('Y', fontsize=12)
plt.title('Scatter Plot', fontsize=14, fontweight='bold')
plt.grid(True, alpha=0.3)
plt.savefig('scatter_plot.png', dpi=100, bbox_inches='tight')
print("Saved: scatter_plot.png")
Matplotlib Basics
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Saved: scatter_plot.png

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4.2 Statistical Plots

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# Statistical visualizations
print("Statistical Plots")
print("="*70)

# Histogram
data_hist = np.random.randn(1000)

plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6))
plt.hist(data_hist, bins=30, edgecolor='black', alpha=0.7)
plt.xlabel('Value', fontsize=12)
plt.ylabel('Frequency', fontsize=12)
plt.title('Histogram of Normal Distribution', fontsize=14, fontweight='bold')
plt.grid(True, alpha=0.3, axis='y')
plt.savefig('histogram.png', dpi=100, bbox_inches='tight')
print("Saved: histogram.png")

# Box plot
data_box = [np.random.randn(100) + i for i in range(4)]

plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6))
plt.boxplot(data_box, labels=['A', 'B', 'C', 'D'])
plt.ylabel('Value', fontsize=12)
plt.xlabel('Category', fontsize=12)
plt.title('Box Plot Comparison', fontsize=14, fontweight='bold')

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plt.grid(True, alpha=0.3, axis='y')
plt.savefig('boxplot.png', dpi=100, bbox_inches='tight')
print("Saved: boxplot.png")

# Bar chart from pandas
df_bar = pd.DataFrame({
    'Category': ['A', 'B', 'C', 'D'],
    'Value': [23, 45, 37, 52]
})

plt.figure(figsize=(8, 6))
plt.bar(df_bar['Category'], df_bar['Value'], color='steelblue',
        edgecolor='black')
plt.xlabel('Category', fontsize=12)
plt.ylabel('Value', fontsize=12)
plt.title('Bar Chart', fontsize=14, fontweight='bold')
plt.grid(True, alpha=0.3, axis='y')
plt.savefig('barchart.png', dpi=100, bbox_inches='tight')
print("Saved: barchart.png")
Statistical Plots
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Saved: barchart.png

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4.3 Multiple Subplots

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# Create multiple subplots
print("Multiple Subplots")
print("="*70)

fig, axes = plt.subplots(2, 2, figsize=(12, 10))

# Subplot 1: Line plot
axes[0, 0].plot(x, np.sin(x), 'b-', linewidth=2)
axes[0, 0].set_title('Sine Wave')
axes[0, 0].set_xlabel('x')
axes[0, 0].set_ylabel('sin(x)')
axes[0, 0].grid(True, alpha=0.3)

# Subplot 2: Scatter
axes[0, 1].scatter(x_scatter, y_scatter, alpha=0.6, c='red')
axes[0, 1].set_title('Scatter Plot')
axes[0, 1].set_xlabel('X')
axes[0, 1].set_ylabel('Y')
axes[0, 1].grid(True, alpha=0.3)

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# Subplot 3: Histogram
axes[1, 0].hist(data_hist, bins=30, edgecolor='black', alpha=0.7)
axes[1, 0].set_title('Histogram')
axes[1, 0].set_xlabel('Value')
axes[1, 0].set_ylabel('Frequency')
axes[1, 0].grid(True, alpha=0.3, axis='y')

# Subplot 4: Bar chart
axes[1, 1].bar(df_bar['Category'], df_bar['Value'], color='green', edgecolor='black')
axes[1, 1].set_title('Bar Chart')
axes[1, 1].set_xlabel('Category')
axes[1, 1].set_ylabel('Value')
axes[1, 1].grid(True, alpha=0.3, axis='y')

plt.tight_layout()
plt.savefig('subplots.png', dpi=100, bbox_inches='tight')
print("Saved: subplots.png")

print("\nPlot customization tips:")
print(" - figsize=(width, height) for size in inches")
print(" - alpha for transparency (0-1)")
print(" - linewidth, linestyle for line plots")
print(" - color, edgecolor for styling")
print(" - grid(True, alpha=0.3) for subtle gridlines")
print(" - tight_layout() prevents label overlap")

```

Multiple Subplots

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Plot customization tips:

- figsize=(width, height) for size in inches
- alpha for transparency (0-1)
- linewidth, linestyle for line plots
- color, edgecolor for styling
- grid(True, alpha=0.3) for subtle gridlines
- tight_layout() prevents label overlap

5. Practical Example: Sales Analysis

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# Complete analysis workflow
print("Sales Analysis Example")
print("="*70)

# Generate sample sales data
np.random.seed(42)
dates = pd.date_range('2024-01-01', periods=100, freq='D')

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sales_df = pd.DataFrame({
    'Date': dates,
    'Product': np.random.choice(['A', 'B', 'C'], 100),
    'Region': np.random.choice(['North', 'South', 'East', 'West'], 100),
    'Sales': np.random.randint(100, 1000, 100),
    'Units': np.random.randint(1, 50, 100)
})

print("Sample sales data:")
print(sales_df.head(10))

# Analysis 1: Total sales by product
print("\nTotal sales by product:")
product_sales = sales_df.groupby('Product')['Sales'].sum().sort_values(ascending=False)
print(product_sales)

# Analysis 2: Average units by region
print("\nAverage units sold by region:")
region_units = sales_df.groupby('Region')['Units'].mean().round(2)
print(region_units)

# Analysis 3: Time series
sales_df['Month'] = sales_df['Date'].dt.to_period('M')
monthly_sales = sales_df.groupby('Month')['Sales'].sum()
print("\nMonthly sales:")
print(monthly_sales)

# Visualization
fig, axes = plt.subplots(2, 2, figsize=(14, 10))

# Product sales
product_sales.plot(kind='bar', ax=axes[0, 0], color='skyblue', edgecolor='black')
axes[0, 0].set_title('Total Sales by Product')
axes[0, 0].set_ylabel('Sales ($)')
axes[0, 0].grid(True, alpha=0.3, axis='y')

# Regional distribution
region_units.plot(kind='barh', ax=axes[0, 1], color='lightgreen', edgecolor='black')
axes[0, 1].set_title('Average Units by Region')
axes[0, 1].set_xlabel('Units')
axes[0, 1].grid(True, alpha=0.3, axis='x')

# Sales distribution
axes[1, 0].hist(sales_df['Sales'], bins=20, edgecolor='black', alpha=0.7)
axes[1, 0].set_title('Sales Distribution')
axes[1, 0].set_xlabel('Sales ($)')

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axes[1, 0].set_ylabel('Frequency')
axes[1, 0].grid(True, alpha=0.3, axis='y')

# Time series
monthly_sales.plot(ax=axes[1, 1], marker='o', linewidth=2)
axes[1, 1].set_title('Monthly Sales Trend')
axes[1, 1].set_xlabel('Month')
axes[1, 1].set_ylabel('Sales ($)')
axes[1, 1].grid(True, alpha=0.3)
axes[1, 1].tick_params(axis='x', rotation=45)

plt.tight_layout()
plt.savefig('sales_analysis.png', dpi=100, bbox_inches='tight')
print("\nSaved: sales_analysis.png")

```

Sales Analysis Example

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Sample sales data:

	Date	Product	Region	Sales	Units
0	2024-01-01	B	East	774	38
1	2024-01-02	C	North	611	14
2	2024-01-03	C	South	139	7
3	2024-01-04	B	West	292	3
4	2024-01-05	A	South	366	47
5	2024-01-06	C	West	940	39
6	2024-01-07	C	West	900	36
7	2024-01-08	A	East	186	13
8	2024-01-09	B	North	341	29
9	2024-01-10	C	East	232	37

Total sales by product:

Product

C 19847

B 18144

A 14463

Name: Sales, dtype: int64

Average units sold by region:

Region

East 22.96

North 22.25

South 23.12

West 23.88

Name: Units, dtype: float64

Monthly sales:

Month

2024-01 27035

2024-02 13853

2024-03 11566

Freq: M, Name: Sales, dtype: int64

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Summary

Key Takeaways:

- `groupby()` enables powerful aggregation and analysis
- `merge()` and `concat()` combine DataFrames like SQL joins
- `apply()` and `map()` transform data with custom functions
- `pivot_table()` reshapes data for different views
- Matplotlib provides comprehensive plotting capabilities
- Subplots enable multi-panel visualizations
- Combine pandas analysis with matplotlib visualization for EDA

Practice Exercises

1. Load a dataset and create summary statistics by category
2. Merge two DataFrames with different join types
3. Create a pivot table showing averages across multiple dimensions
4. Generate a 2x2 subplot showing: line plot, histogram, box plot, scatter plot
5. Perform complete EDA on a dataset: clean, analyze, visualize
6. Calculate correlations between numeric columns and visualize with heatmap

Next Steps

With strong pandas and visualization skills, you're ready to move into machine learning. Next week, we'll begin implementing machine learning algorithms from scratch, starting with linear regression and gradient descent.