

# Sorting and Filtering Rows

## Pandas `.index` Attribute

The pandas DataFrame attribute `.index` displays the row labels of the DataFrame. By default, DataFrame rows are labeled using a **RangeIndex** where the first row is labeled `0`, the second row is labeled `1`, and so on. Indexes can also consist of text objects/strings and other values.

```
df.index
```

## Pandas `.reset_index()` Method

The method `.reset_index()` replaces existing row labels for a DataFrame with the standard index: 0 for the first row, 1 for the second row, and so on. By default, this method will keep the old labels in a new column named `'index'`.

```
df.reset_index()
```

## Pandas `.sort_index()` Method

The pandas DataFrame method `.sort_index()` sorts the rows of a DataFrame by the index values. The parameter `ascending` controls how the rows are sorted. For numerical indexes, `.sort_index()` sorts from smallest to largest numerically. For text indexes, `.sort_index()` sorts from A to Z. Setting `ascending` to `False` sorts the index in reverse/descending order.

```
# Sort the DataFrame by its index in ascending order
vehicles.sort_index()

# Sort the DataFrame by its index in descending order
vehicles.sort_index(ascending=False)
```

## Selecting data with `.loc[]`

Specific data in a pandas DataFrame can be accessed using

```
vehicles.loc[[0,1], ['model', 'year']]
```

```
.loc[row_labels_list, column_]
```

Here's a sample DataFrame `vehicles` :

|   | <b>id</b> | <b>model</b>                     | <b>year</b> |
|---|-----------|----------------------------------|-------------|
| 0 | 12988     | amg e53 4matic+<br>(convertible) | 2022        |
| 1 | 689       | avalanche ffv                    | 2007        |
| 2 | 950       | impala                           | 2010        |

The code snippet in this review card performs the following selection:

|   | <b>model</b>                     | <b>year</b> |
|---|----------------------------------|-------------|
| 0 | amg e53 4matic+<br>(convertible) | 2022        |
| 1 | avalanche ffv                    | 2007        |

## Selecting data with `.iloc[]`

Specific data in a pandas DataFrame can be accessed using

```
vehicles.iloc[[0,2], [1,2]]
```

```
.iloc[row_positions, column_posi
```

By default, the position of the first row/column is `0`, the position of the second is `1`, and so on. Here's a sample DataFrame:

|   | <b>id</b> | <b>model</b>                  | <b>year</b> |
|---|-----------|-------------------------------|-------------|
| 0 | 12988     | amg e53 4matic+ (convertible) | 2022        |
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| 0 | amg e53 4matic+ (convertible) | 2022        |
| 2 | impala                        | 2010        |

## Selecting Slices with `.loc[]`

|   | id    | model                               | year | best_mpg |
|---|-------|-------------------------------------|------|----------|
| 0 | 12988 | amg e53<br>4matic+<br>(convertible) | 2022 | 28.0     |
| 1 | 689   | avalanche ffv                       | 2007 | 21.0     |
| 2 | 950   | impala                              | 2010 | 29.0     |

Ranges of rows and columns can be selected using `.loc[]` and slice syntax:

```
df.loc[start_row:end_row, start_col:end_col]
```

```
# Select rows labeled 0 and 1
# columns labeled
'model', 'year', 'best_mpg'
vehicles[0:1, 'model':'best_mpg']

# Select all rows
# columns 'id', 'model', and 'year'
vehicles[:, :'year']
```

A slice `start:end` contains the row/column *labeled* `start`, the row/column *labeled* `end`, and all rows/columns between.

If either `start` or `end` is omitted, the first or last row/column is used.

## Selecting Slices with `.iloc[]`

|   | id    | model                         | year | best |
|---|-------|-------------------------------|------|------|
| 0 | 12988 | amg e53 4matic+ (convertible) | 2022 | 28.4 |
| 1 | 689   | avalanche ffv                 | 2007 | 21.4 |
| 2 | 950   | impala                        | 2010 | 29.4 |

Ranges of rows and columns can be selected using `.iloc[]` and slice syntax:

```
df.iloc[start_row:end_row, start_col:end_col]
```

```
# Select the first two rows and the last three columns
```

```
vehicles.iloc[0:2, 1:4]
```

```
# Select all rows and the first three columns
```

```
vehicles.iloc[:, :3]
```

A slice `start:end` contains the row/column *in position* `start` and all rows up to but *not including* the row/column in position `end`.

Positions start at 0, and increase top-bottom (for rows) and left-right (for columns).

If either `start` or `end` is omitted, the first or last row/column is used.

## Boolean Variables

In Python, a variable is **Boolean** if it has the value `True` or `False` (without quotes).

```
# Example Booleans
```

```
is_raining = True
```

```
is_sunny = False
```

## Python Comparison Operator ==

The Python equal comparison operator `==` returns `True` if the variables being compared have exactly the same value, otherwise, it returns `False`.

The Python not equal comparison operator `!=` returns `True` if the variables being compared have different values, and otherwise returns `False`.

```
3 == 3
# Output: True
```

```
3 != 3
# Output: False
```

```
'auto' == 'auto'
# Output: True
```

```
'auto' != 'auto'
# Output: False
```

## Relational Comparison Operators

Python has four **comparison operators** to compare sizes. These include:

- less than ( `<` )
- greater than ( `>` )
- less than or equal to ( `<=` )
- greater than or equal to ( `>=` )

These operators return `True` if their comparison is valid and `False` otherwise.

```
10 < 20
# Output: True
```

```
10 > 20
# Output: False
```

```
10 <= 20
# Output: True
```

```
10 >= 10
# Output: True
```

## Python and Operator

The `and` operator in Python combines two Booleans. The `and` operator is

- `True` if both Booleans are `True`
- `False` otherwise

```
(1 < 2) and (1 == 3)
# Output: False, because the second
Boolean is False
```

```
(1 > 2) and (1 < 3)
# Output: False, because the first
Boolean is False
```

```
(1 > 2) and (1 == 3)
# Output: False, because both Booleans
are False
```

```
(1 < 2) and (1 < 3)
# Output: True, because both Booleans
are True
```

## Python or Operator

The Python `or` operator combines two Boolean expressions. It is

- `True` if *at least one* of the Booleans being combined is `True`
- `False` if *both* Booleans are `False`

In particular, `or` is inclusive: if both Booleans are `True`, `or` is `True`.

```
(1 < 2) or (1 == 3)
# Output: True, because the first
Boolean is True
```

```
(1 > 3) or (1 < 3)
# Output: True, because the second
Boolean is True
```

```
(1 < 2) or (1 < 3)
# Output: True, because both Booleans
are True
```

```
(1 > 2) or (1 == 3)
# Output: False, because both Booleans
are False
```

## Python `not` Operator

The `not` operator inverts the value of a Boolean:

- if the original Boolean was `True`, then placing `not` in front will make it `False`
- if the original Boolean was `False`, then placing `not` in front will make it `True`

It is good practice to place the Boolean being inverted within parentheses: `not(Boolean)`.

```
not(1 < 2)
```

```
# Output: False, because 1 < 2 is True
```

```
not(1 > 2)
```

```
# Output: True, because 1 > 2 is False
```

## Pandas Boolean Masks

Performing a comparison between a DataFrame column and a value creates a **Boolean mask**: a copy of the column where each row is replaced with the value `True` if the comparison is true and `False` otherwise.

```
gt_25 = vehicles['best_mpg'] > 25.0
```

|   | model                         | year | best_mpg |
|---|-------------------------------|------|----------|
| 0 | amg e53 4matic+ (convertible) | 2022 | 28.0     |
| 1 | avalanche ffv                 | 2007 | 21.0     |
| 2 | impala                        | 2010 | 29.0     |

The Boolean mask in the code snippet returns:

|   |       |
|---|-------|
| 0 | True  |
| 1 | False |
| 2 | True  |



## Filtering with Boolean Masks

Passing a Boolean mask to a DataFrame returns only the rows where the mask is `True`.

Here is a sample DataFrame named `vehicles`.

|   | model                 | year | best_mpg |
|---|-----------------------|------|----------|
|   | amg e53               |      |          |
| 0 | 4matic+ (convertible) | 2022 | 28.0     |
| 1 | avalanche ffv         | 2007 | 21.0     |
| 2 | impala                | 2010 | 29.0     |

The code snippet in this review card filters `vehicles` down to models from 2010:

|   | model  | year | best_mpg |
|---|--------|------|----------|
| 2 | impala | 2010 | 29.0     |

```
# Create a Boolean mask
is_2010 = vehicles['year'] == 2010

# Filter vehicles using the mask
vehicles[is_2010]
```

## Combining Boolean Masks

|   | year | mpg  | recent & under_29 | recent & under_29 |
|---|------|------|-------------------|-------------------|
| 0 | 2022 | 28.0 | True              | True              |
| 1 | 2007 | 21.0 | False             | True              |
| 2 | 2010 | 29.0 | False             | False             |

Boolean Masks can be combined using the operators

- `&`, meaning `and`
- `|`, meaning `or`

```
# Boolean mask for models newer than 2010
recent = vehicles['year'] > 2010

# Boolean mask for models under 29mpg
under_29 = vehicles['mpg'] < 29

# Boolean mask for models that are both newer than 2010 and under 29mpg
vehicles['recent & under_29'] = recent & under_29

# Boolean mask for models that are either newer than 2010 or under 29mpg
vehicles['recent | under_29'] = recent | under_29
```

## Pandas .sort\_values() Method

The pandas DataFrame method

`.sort_values()` sorts the rows of a DataFrame, generally using two parameters:

- `by=` to select the column to sort by
- `ascending=` to control the order of the sort (default `True`)

|   | model                 | year | best_mpge |
|---|-----------------------|------|-----------|
|   | amg e53               |      |           |
| 0 | 4matic+ (convertible) | 2022 | 28.0      |
| 1 | avalanche ffv         | 2007 | 21.0      |
| 2 | impala                | 2010 | 29.0      |

Sorting by `best_mpge` from highest to lowest:

|   | model                 | year | best_mpge |
|---|-----------------------|------|-----------|
| 2 | impala                | 2010 | 29.0      |
|   | amg e53               |      |           |
| 0 | 4matic+ (convertible) | 2022 | 28.0      |
| 1 | avalanche ffv         | 2007 | 21.0      |

```
# Sort vehicles by 'best_mpge' from  
lowest to highest
```

```
vehicles.sort_values(by='best_mpge')
```

```
# Sort vehicles by 'best_mpge' from  
highest to lowest
```

```
vehicles.sort_values(by='best_mpge',  
                    ascending=False)
```

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