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Pandas - Create		
Series	s = pd.Series([1, 2, 3], index=['a', 'b', 'c'])	One-dimensional labeled array (like a column).
DataFrame	df = pd.DataFrame({'A': [1, 2], 'B': [3, 4]})	Two-dimensional table (rows x columns) with labels.
Panel (Deprecated)	-	3-D data (replaced by xarray or MultiIndex).
Input		
Command	Example	Purpose
pd.DataFrame()	pd.DataFrame(data, index=None, columns=None)	Create a DataFrame from dicts, arrays, or another DataFrame.
pd.Series()	pd.Series(data, index=None)	Create a Series.
pd.read_csv()	pd.read_csv(filepath_or_buffer, sep=',', ...)	Read a CSV file into a DataFrame.
pd.read_excel()	pd.read_excel(io, sheet_name=0, ...)	Read an Excel file.
pd.read_sql()	pd.read_sql(sql, con, ...)	Read SQL query into a DataFrame.
pd.read_json()	pd.read_json(path_or_buf, ...)	Read JSON.
pd.read_html()	pd.read_html(io, match='table', ...)	Scrape tables from HTML.
pd.read_clipboard()	pd.read_clipboard(sep='\t', ...)	Read data from the clipboard.
pd.read_parquet()	pd.read_parquet(path, ...)	Read Parquet file (columnar).
pd.DataFrame.from_records()	DataFrame.from_records(array, index=None)	Build from list of tuples/dicts.
pd.DataFrame.from_dict()	DataFrame.from_dict(data, orient='columns')	Build from dict of lists/Series.
Index-slice-filter		
Command	Example	Purpose
Single column	df['A'] or df.col	Returns a Series.
Multiple columns	df[['A', 'B']]	Returns a new DataFrame.
Row by label	df.loc['row_label']	Access rows by index label.
Row by position	df.iloc[3]	Access the 4th row (integer index).
Conditional filtering	df[df['A'] > 10]	Return rows where condition is True.
Boolean indexing	mask = df['A'] > 10; df[mask]	Same as above, but mask reusable.
.at[]/.iat[]	df.at['row', 'col'] or df.iat[3, 1]	Fast scalar access.
.loc[] with slices	df.loc['row1':'row5', 'A':'C']	Label-based slice.
.iloc[] with slices	df.iloc[0:5, 1:3]	Integer slice.
.xs()	df.xs('label', axis=0, level='level_name')	Cross-section for MultiIndex.
.head(n)/.tail(n)	df.head(10)	First/last n rows.
.sample(n)	df.sample(5, random_state=0)	Random rows.
.set_index()	df.set_index('col')	Make a column the index.
.reset_index()	df.reset_index(drop=True)	Drop the index back to default.
Modification-assignment		
Operation	Syntax	What it does
Assign new column	df['new'] = df['A'] + df['B']	Add or overwrite column.
.assign()	df.assign(new=lambda x: x.A + x.B)	Chainable column creation.
.loc[] assignment	df.loc[df['A'] > 10, 'B'] = 0	Conditional update.
.replace()	df.replace(to_replace=5, value=0)	Replace values.
.fillna()	df.fillna(method='ffill')	Forward-fill NaNs.
.drop()	df.drop(columns=['C'], axis=1)	Remove rows/columns.
.dropna()	df.dropna(subset=['A', 'B'])	Drop rows with NaNs in specified columns.
.rename()	df.rename(columns={'A': 'alpha'}, inplace=True)	Rename columns/indices.
.insert()	df.insert(0, 'first', df['B']*2)	Insert column at position.
.pop()	col = df.pop('B')	Remove and return column.
.astype()	df['A'] = df['A'].astype('float64')	Convert dtype.
.copy()	df2 = df.copy(deep=True)	Deep copy of DataFrame.
Aggregation - Grouping		
Function	Syntax	What it does
.sum()	df['A'].sum()	Sum of a column/axis.
.mean()	df.mean()	Mean value.
.median()	df.median()	Median.
.min(), .max()	df.min()/df.max()	Min/Max.
.std(), .var()	df.std()/df.var()	Standard deviation / variance.
.describe()	df.describe()	Summary statistics (count, mean, std, min, 25%, 50%, 75%, max).
.groupby()	df.groupby('col').agg({'A': 'sum', 'B': 'mean'})	Group by one or more keys and aggregate.
.pivot table()	pd.pivot_table(df, values='val', index='row', col)	Create pivot table.
.crosstab()	pd.crosstab(df['A'], df['B'])	Cross-tabulation of two factors.
.value_counts()	df['A'].value_counts()	Frequency of each value.
.corr(), .cov()	df.corr(method='pearson')/df.cov()	Correlation / covariance matrix.
.quantile(q)	df.quantile(0.25)	25th percentile, etc.
.apply()	df['A'].apply(np.sqrt)	Apply a function element-wise.
.transform()	df.groupby('grp')['A'].transform('mean')	Transform within groups.
.applymap()	df.applymap(lambda x: x*2)	Element-wise on DataFrame.
Merge-Concat		
Function	Syntax	What it does
.merge()	pd.merge(df1, df2, on='key', how='inner')	SQL-style join.
.join()	df1.join(df2, on='key', how='left')	Join on index or column.
.concat()	pd.concat([df1, df2], axis=0)	Concatenate vertically or horizontally.
.append()	df1.append(df2, ignore_index=True)	Append rows (deprecated → use concat).
.cross_join() (new in 1.2)	df1.merge(df2, how='cross')	Cartesian product.
.merge_asof()	pd.merge_asof(df1, df2, on='time', direction='nearest')	Merge nearest key (useful for time series).
.merge_ordered()	pd.merge_ordered(df1, df2, on='date')	Merge with ordered keys (keeps missing values).
Time-Date		
Function	Syntax	What it does
.to_datetime()	pd.to_datetime(df['date_str'])	Parse strings to datetime.
.to_timedelta()	pd.to_timedelta(df['duration_str'])	Parse time deltas.
.date_range()	pd.date_range(start='2024-01-01', periods=10, freq='D')	Generate a sequence of dates.
.resample()	df.resample('M').mean()	Resample time series to a new frequency.
.asfreq()	df.asfreq('B')	Change frequency without aggregation.
.shift()	df['lag1'] = df['value'].shift(1)	Lag or lead columns.
.rolling()	df['value'].rolling(window=3).mean()	Moving window calculations.
.expanding()	df['value'].expanding().sum()	Expanding window (cumulative).
.ewm()	df['value'].ewm(span=10, adjust=False).mean()	Exponentially weighted functions.
.dt accessor	df['date'].dt.month	Extract components (year, month, day, etc.).
.tz_localize()/tz_convert()	df['date'].dt.tz_localize('UTC').tz_convert('US')	Time-zone handling.
Missing-Data		
Function	Syntax	What it does
.isna()/notna()	df.isna()	Boolean mask of missing values.
.dropna()	df.dropna(axis=0, how='any', subset=['A'])	Remove rows/columns with NaNs.
.fillna()	df.fillna(method='ffill')	Forward/backward fill or specific value.
.interpolate()	df.interpolate(method='linear')	Fill NaNs by interpolation.
.replace()	df.replace(to_replace='?', value=np.nan)	Convert sentinel values to NaN.
Save-File		
Function	Syntax	What it does
.to_csv()	df.to_csv('out.csv', index=False)	Write to CSV.
.to_excel()	df.to_excel('out.xlsx', sheet_name='Sheet1')	Write to Excel.
.to_sql()	df.to_sql(name='table', con=engine, if_exists='replace')	Write to SQL database.
.to_json()	df.to_json('out.json', orient='records')	Write JSON.
.to_parquet()	df.to_parquet('out.parquet')	Write Parquet.
.to_html()	df.to_html('out.html')	Write as an HTML table.
.to_clipboard()	df.to_clipboard(index=False)	Copy to clipboard.
Other Commands		
Function	Syntax	What it does
.info()	df.info(verbose=True)	Compact summary (dtype, non-null count).
.head()/tail()	df.head(5)	Preview rows.
.sample()	df.sample(frac=0.1)	Random sample of rows/columns.
.query()	df.query('A > 10 and B < 5')	SQL-like query on DataFrame.
.eval()	df.eval('C = A + B')	Evaluate string expressions.
.describe()	df.describe(include='all')	Summary statistics.
.memory_usage()	df.memory_usage(deep=True)	Memory footprint of each column.
.copy()	df2 = df.copy(deep=True)	Make a copy.
.to_dict()	df.to_dict(orient='records')	Convert to dict/list.
.stack()/unstack()	df.stack()	Convert columns to rows (MultiIndex).
.melt()	pd.melt(df, id_vars='id', var_name='variable')	Unpivot DataFrame.
.wide_to_long()	pd.wide_to_long(df, stubnames=['A', 'B'], i='id')	Convert wide to long format.
.get_dummies()	pd.get_dummies(df['category'])	One-hot encode.
.cut()/qcut()	pd.cut(df['A'], bins=5)	Bin continuous values.
.rank()	df['A'].rank(method='average')	Rank values.
.corrwith()	df.corrwith(df2)	Correlation with another Series/DataFrame.