

PYTHON FUNDAMENTALS:

Data Types:

- 'Hello world': str,
- None: NoneType,
- 15: int,
- 20.14: float,
- function,
- (1, 'b', 3, 5): tuple
/* immutable, can contain mixed data types, written between parentheses () */
- [1, 'b', 3, 5]: list
/* mutable (add by append() function), can contain mixed data types, written between square brackets [] */
- {'name': 'Asmaa', 'surname': 'Mirkhan'}: dictionary
/* labeled list, no order, similar to JSON */

Classes:

Note: Objects do not have private or protected members.

Constructor: (Syntax: __init__) it is not necessary

Map Function:

Function signature: map(function, iterable , ...)

Note: Useful for analysis.

BASIC DATA PROCESSING WITH PANDAS:

/* loc and iloc for row based querying and square brackets [] for column based querying */

Series in pandas:

Between list and dictionary, sorted but has keys(labeled), labels are indices starting from 0 and the last key is dtype key (data type).

Data Frames in pandas:

Briefly, it is a two-dimensional series.

/* like SQL database tables*/

BASIC DATA PROCESSING WITH PANDAS:

Boolean Masking:

Useful for removing unwanted data

e.g

df						Boolean mask			result		
	Animals	Owners					Animals	Owners			
0	Dog	Chris	+	True	True	=	0	Dog	Chris		
1	Bear	Kevyn		True	True		1	Bear	Kevyn		
2	Tiger	Bob		False	False		3	Moose	Vinod		
3	Moose	Vinod		True	True						
4	Giraffe	Daniel		False	False						
5	Hippo	Fil		False	False						
6	Mouse	Stephanie		False	False						

- Data frames offer functions like SQL queries such as join, groupby,...

Scales in pandas:

- **Ratio Scale**
 - Units are equally spaced
 - Math. ops. are valid
 - Ex: height, weight
- **Interval Scale**
 - Units are equally spaced
 - No true zero
 - Ex: temperature scale
- **Ordinal Scale**
 - Order is important
 - Not evenly spaced
 - Common in machine learning
 - Ex: letter grades (AA, BA, ..)
- **Nominal Scale**
 - Like categories, order is not important
 - Ex: Teams of sports

STATISTICAL ANALYSIS:

Distribution: Set of all possible random variables (Flipping coins)

(a shape that describes the probability of a value being pulled when we sample a population)

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- **Binomial Distribution:**
N trials of binary experiment
- **Uniform Distribution:**
Random variable takes same value (does not change)
- **Normal (Gaussian) Distribution:**
Has to symmetric curves */

/* Expected value:

The mean of the random variable if we did an infinite number of trials*/

Variance: a measure of how broadly values of samples are spread out from the mean.

Characteristics of a distribution:

- **Central tendency**
Measures: mode, median or mean.
About really where the bulk probability is in the distribution.
- **Variability:**
Measures: standard deviation (which is a measure of how different each item in our sample is from the mean), interquartile range.

Kurtosis (the shape of the tales): negative value means that the curve is slightly more flat than a normal distribution and positive value means that the curve is more peaky than a normal distribution.