

▼ DataFrame.loc[]

- In Pandas, the Dataframe provides a property loc[].
- It is used to select the subset of Dataframe.
- To access a group of rows and columns by label(s) or a boolean array.

Allowed inputs are:

- A single label, e.g. 5 or 'a', (note that 5 is interpreted as a label of the index, and never as an integer position along the index).
- A list or array of labels, e.g. ['a', 'b', 'c'].
- A slice object with labels, e.g. 'a':'f'.

Syntax:

```
Dataframe.loc[row_segment , column_segment]
```



The diagram shows the syntax `df.loc[START:STOP:STEP , START:STOP:STEP]` on a dark background. The first `START:STOP:STEP` is underlined with a bracket and labeled "Select Rows by Names/Labels". The second `START:STOP:STEP` is also underlined with a bracket and labeled "Select Columns by Names/Labels".

START is the name of the row/column label

STOP is the name of the last row/column label to take, and

STEP as the number of indices to advance after each extraction

Key points

By not providing a start row/column, loc[] selects from the beginning. By not providing stop, loc[] selects all rows/columns from the start label. Providing both start and stop, selects all rows/columns in between

Note:

The column_segment argument is optional. Therefore, if column_segment is not provided, loc [] will select the subset of Dataframe based on row_segment argument only.

▼ Let's create a DataFrame and explore how to use pandas loc[].

```
import pandas as pd
technologies = {
```

```

'Courses':["Spark","PySpark","Hadoop","Python","pandas"],
'Fee': [20000,25000,26000,22000,24000],
'Duration': ['30day','40days','35days','40days','60days'],
'Discount': [1000,2300,1200,2500,2000]
}
index_labels=['r1','r2','r3','r4','r5']
df = pd.DataFrame(technologies,index=index_labels)
print(df)

```

	Courses	Fee	Duration	Discount
r1	Spark	20000	30day	1000
r2	PySpark	25000	40days	2300
r3	Hadoop	26000	35days	1200
r4	Python	22000	40days	2500
r5	pandas	24000	60days	2000

	loc[] - By Label
Select Single Row	df.loc['r2']
Select Single Column	df.loc[:, "Courses"]
Select Multiple Rows	df.loc[['r2','r3']]
Select Multiple Columns	df.loc[:, ["Courses","Fee"]]
Select Rows Range	df.loc['r1':'r4']
Select Columns Range	df.loc[:, 'Fee': 'Discount']
Select Alternate Rows	df.loc['r1':'r4':1]
Select Alternate Columns	df.loc[:, 'Fee': 'Discount':1]
Using Condition	df.loc[df['Fee'] >= 24000]
Using Lambda Function	df.loc[lambda x: x[3]]

Select Single Row & Column By Label using loc[]

```

# Select Single Column by label
print(df.loc[:, "Courses"])

r1      Spark
r2    PySpark
r3     Hadoop
r4     Python
r5     pandas
Name: Courses, dtype: object

```

Select Multiple Rows & Columns

```
# Select Multiple Rows by Label
print(df.loc[['r2','r3']])
```

	Courses	Fee	Duration	Discount
r2	PySpark	25000	40days	2300
r3	Hadoop	26000	35days	1200

Select multiple columns from pandas DataFrame.

```
# Select Multiple Columns by labels
print(df.loc[:, ["Courses","Fee","Discount"]])
```

	Courses	Fee	Discount
r1	Spark	20000	1000
r2	PySpark	25000	2300
r3	Hadoop	26000	1200
r4	Python	22000	2500
r5	pandas	24000	2000

Select Between Two Rows or Columns

```
# Select Rows Between two Index Labels
# Includes both r1 and r4 rows
print(df.loc['r1':'r4'])
```

	Courses	Fee	Duration	Discount
r1	Spark	20000	30day	1000
r2	PySpark	25000	40days	2300
r3	Hadoop	26000	35days	1200
r4	Python	22000	40days	2500

selects all columns between Fee and Discount column labels.

```
# Select Columns between two Labels
# Includes both 'Fee' and 'Discount' columns
print(df.loc[:, 'Fee': 'Discount'])
```

	Fee	Duration	Discount
r1	20000	30day	1000
r2	25000	40days	2300
r3	26000	35days	1200
r4	22000	40days	2500
r5	24000	60days	2000

Select Alternate Rows

```
# Select Alternate rows By indices
print(df.loc['r1':'r4':2])
```

	Courses	Fee	Duration	Discount
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r1	Spark	20000	30day	1000
r3	Hadoop	26000	35days	1200

Select alternate columns use

```
# Select Alternate Columns between two Labels
print(df.loc[:, 'Fee': 'Discount':2])
```

	Fee	Discount
r1	20000	1000
r2	25000	2300
r3	26000	1200
r4	22000	2500
r5	24000	2000

Using Conditions with pandas loc

```
# Using Conditions
print(df.loc[df['Fee'] >= 24000])
```

	Courses	Fee	Duration	Discount
r2	PySpark	25000	40days	2300
r3	Hadoop	26000	35days	1200
r5	pandas	24000	60days	2000

Complete Examples of pandas DataFrame loc

```
import pandas as pd
technologies = {
    'Courses': ["Spark", "PySpark", "Hadoop", "Python", "pandas"],
    'Fee' : [20000, 25000, 26000, 22000, 24000],
    'Duration': ['30day', '40days', '35days', '40days', '60days'],
    'Discount': [1000, 2300, 1200, 2500, 2000]
}
index_labels=['r1', 'r2', 'r3', 'r4', 'r5']
df = pd.DataFrame(technologies, index=index_labels)
print(df)

# Select single Row
print(df.loc['r2'])

# Select Single Column by label
print(df.loc[:, "Courses"])

# Select Multiple Rows by Label
print(df.loc[['r2', 'r3']])

# Select Multiple Columns by labels
print(df.loc[:, ["Courses", "Fee", "Discount"]])

# Select Rows Between two Index Labels
# Includes both r1 and r4 rows
print(df.loc['r1': 'r4'])
```

```

# Select Columns between two Labels
# Includes both 'Fee' and 'Discount' columns
print(df.loc[:, 'Fee': 'Discount'])

# Select Alternate rows By indices
print(df.loc['r1': 'r4': 2])

# Select Alternate Columns between two Labels
print(df.loc[:, 'Fee': 'Discount': 2])

# Using Conditions
print(df.loc[df['Fee'] >= 24000])

```

```

      Courses      Fee Duration  Discount
r1    Spark  20000    30day    1000
r2  PySpark  25000   40days    2300
r3   Hadoop  26000   35days    1200
r4   Python  22000   40days    2500
r5   pandas  24000   60days    2000

```

```
Courses      PySpark
```

```
Fee          25000
```

```
Duration     40days
```

```
Discount      2300
```

```
Name: r2, dtype: object
```

```
r1      Spark
```

```
r2    PySpark
```

```
r3     Hadoop
```

```
r4     Python
```

```
r5     pandas
```

```
Name: Courses, dtype: object
```

```

      Courses      Fee Duration  Discount
r2  PySpark  25000   40days    2300
r3   Hadoop  26000   35days    1200

```

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      Courses      Fee  Discount
```

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r1    Spark  20000    1000
```

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```

```
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```
r3  26000   35days    1200
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r4  22000   40days    2500
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```

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```

```
r5  24000    2000
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```

```
r3    Hadoop    26000    35days    1200
r5    pandas    24000    60days    2000
```

Let's create another DataFrame and explore how to use pandas loc[].

```
import pandas as pd
# List of Tuples
students = [('jack', 34, 'Sydeny', 'Australia'),
            ('Riti', 30, 'Delhi', 'India'),
            ('Vikas', 31, 'Mumbai', 'India'),
            ('Neelu', 32, 'Bangalore', 'India'),
            ('John', 16, 'New York', 'US'),
            ('Mike', 17, 'las vegas', 'US')]

# Create a DataFrame from list of tuples
df = pd.DataFrame( students,
                   columns=['Name', 'Age', 'City', 'Country'],
                   index=['a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e', 'f'])

print(df)
```

	Name	Age	City	Country
a	jack	34	Sydeny	Australia
b	Riti	30	Delhi	India
c	Vikas	31	Mumbai	India
d	Neelu	32	Bangalore	India
e	John	16	New York	US
f	Mike	17	las vegas	US

Let's learn to apply loc[]

```
# Select row at with label name 'c'
a = df.loc['c']

print(a)
```

```
Name      Vikas
Age        31
City      Mumbai
Country    India
Name: c, dtype: object
```

```
# Select multiple rows from Dataframe by label names
subsetDf = df.loc[ ['c', 'f', 'a'] ]

print(subsetDf)
```

	Name	Age	City	Country
c	Vikas	31	Mumbai	India
f	Mike	17	las vegas	US
a	jack	34	Sydeny	Australia

```
# Select rows of Dataframe based on row label range
subsetDf = df.loc[ 'b' : 'f' ]
```

```
print(subsetDf)
```

	Name	Age	City	Country
b	Riti	30	Delhi	India
c	Vikas	31	Mumbai	India
d	Neelu	32	Bangalore	India
e	John	16	New York	US
f	Mike	17	las vegas	US

```
# Select rows of Dataframe based on bool array ON ROWs
subsetDf = df.loc[ [True, False, True, False, True, False] ]
```

```
print(subsetDf)
```

	Name	Age	City	Country
a	jack	34	Sydeny	Australia
c	Vikas	31	Mumbai	India
e	John	16	New York	US

▼ Select a few Columns from Dataframe (Slicing)

Here we will provide the (:) in the row segment argument of the Dataframe.loc[] . Therefore it will select all rows, but only a few columns based on the names provided in column_segement.

```
# Select single column from Dataframe by column name
column = df.loc[:, 'Age']
print(column)
```

```
a    34
b    30
c    31
d    32
e    16
f    17
Name: Age, dtype: int64
```

```
# Select multiple columns from Dataframe based on list of names
subsetDf = df.loc[:, ['Age', 'City', 'Name']]
print(subsetDf)
```

	Age	City	Name
a	34	Sydeny	jack
b	30	Delhi	Riti
c	31	Mumbai	Vikas
d	32	Bangalore	Neelu
e	16	New York	John
f	17	las vegas	Mike

```
# Select multiple columns from Dataframe by name range
subsetDf = df.loc[:, 'Name' : 'City']
print(subsetDf)
```

	Name	Age	City
a	jack	34	Sydeny
b	Riti	30	Delhi
c	Vikas	31	Mumbai
d	Neelu	32	Bangalore
e	John	16	New York
f	Mike	17	las vegas

```
# Select columns of Dataframe based on bool array
subsetDf = df.iloc[:, [True, True, False, False]]
print(subsetDf)
```

	Name	Age
a	jack	34
b	Riti	30
c	Vikas	31
d	Neelu	32
e	John	16
f	Mike	17

```
# Select a Cell value from Dataframe by row and column name
cellValue = df.loc['c','Name']
print(cellValue)
```

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```
# Select sub set of Dataframe based on row/column indices in list
subsetDf = df.loc[['b', 'd', 'f'],['Name', 'City']]
print(subsetDf)
```

	Name	City
b	Riti	Delhi
d	Neelu	Bangalore
f	Mike	las vegas

```
# Select subset of Dataframe based on row and column label name range.
subsetDf = df.loc['b':'e', 'Name':'City']
print(subsetDf)
```

	Name	Age	City
b	Riti	30	Delhi
c	Vikas	31	Mumbai
d	Neelu	32	Bangalore
e	John	16	New York

```
# Change the contents of row 'C' to 0
df.loc['c'] = 0
print(df)
```

	Name	Age	City	Country
a	jack	34	Sydeny	Australia
b	Riti	30	Delhi	India
c	0	0	0	0
d	Neelu	32	Bangalore	India
e	John	16	New York	US
f	Mike	17	las vegas	US

▼ Additional Points:

- **row_segement:**

- It contains information about the rows to be selected. Its value can be,
 - A single label like 'A' or 7 etc.
 - In this case, it selects the single row with given label name.
 - For example, if 'B' only is given, then only the row with label 'B' is selected from Dataframe.
 - A list/array of label names like, ['B', 'E', 'H']
 - In this case, multiple rows will be selected based on row labels given in the list.
 - For example, if ['B', 'E', 'H'] is given as argument in row segment, then the rows with label name 'B', 'E' and 'H' will be selected.
 - A slice object with ints like -> a:e .
 - This case will select multiple rows i.e. from row with label a to one before the row with label e.
 - For example, if 'B':'E' is provided in the row segment of loc[], it will select a range of rows from label 'B' to one before label 'E'
 - For selecting all rows, provide the value (:)
 - A boolean sequence of same size as number of rows.
 - In this case, it will select only those rows for which the corresponding value in boolean array/list is True.
 - A callable function :
 - It can be a lambda function or general function, which accepts the calling dataframe as an argument and returns valid label names in any one of the formats mentioned above.

- **column_segement:**

- It is optional.
- It contains information about the columns to be selected. Its value can be,
 - A single label like 'A' or 7 etc.
 - In this case, it selects the single column with given label name.
 - For example, if 'Age' only is given, then only the column with label 'Age' is selected from Dataframe.
 - A list/array of label names like, ['Name', 'Age', 'City']
 - In this case, multiple columns will be selected based on column labels given in the list.
 - For example, if ['Name', 'Age', 'City'] is given as argument in column segment, then the columns with label names 'Name', 'Age', and 'City' will be selected.
 - A slice object with ints like -> a:e .
 - This case will select multiple columns i.e. from column with label a to one before the column with label e.
 - For example, if 'Name':'City' is provided in the column segment of loc[], it will select a range of columns from label 'Name' to one before label 'City'
 - For selecting all columns, provide the value (:)
 - A boolean sequence of same size as number of columns.
 - In this case, it will select only those columns for which the corresponding value in boolean array/list is True.
 - A callable function :
 - It can be a lambda function or general function that accepts the calling dataframe as an argument and returns valid label names in any one of the formats mentioned above.

Questions related to Dataframe.loc[] can be:

These are categorized into three parts i.e.

Select a few rows from Dataframe, but include all column values

- Select a single row of Dataframe
- Select rows of Dataframe based on row label names in list
- Select rows of Dataframe based on row label name range
- Select rows of Dataframe based on bool array
- Select rows of Dataframe based on callable function

Select a few columns from Dataframe, but include all row values for those columns.

- Select a single column of Dataframe
- Select columns of Dataframe based on column names in list
- Select columns of Dataframe based on column name range
- Select columns of Dataframe based on bool array
- Select a subset of Dataframe with few rows and columns
- Select a Cell value from Dataframe
- Select subset of Dataframe based on row/column names in list
- Select subset of Dataframe based on row and column name range.

Change values of Dataframe by loc[]