

AIG150- Week 5

Working With Functions & Grouping

Reading Text: Ch 05,08 Pandas for everyone

Agenda

- Apply Functions
 - Apply over a series and DataFrame
 - Column-wise operations
 - Row-wise operations
 - Vectorized functions
 - Lambda functions
- GroupBy operations
 - Understand Split–Apply–Combine concept
 - Use `.groupby()` for aggregation, transformation, and filtering
 - Write custom and multiple aggregation functions
 - Work with MultiIndex and flatten results using `.reset_index()`

Apply Functions

- apply() method takes a function and applies it across each row or column of a DataFrame
- Easy to group and reuse Python code
- First definite a function and then call it using
apply() See the sample code
- Function factory: apply() takes a reference to the function

```
def my_sq(x):
    return x ** 2
def avg_2(x, y):
    return (x + y) / 2

def my_exp(x, e):
    return x ** e
df['col_a_cube'] = df['col_a'].apply(my_exp, e=3)
```

Vectorized Functions

- Vectorize with NumPy: Pass `np.vectorize()` to the function
- Vectorize with Numpy
- Lambda functions

The line `function_vec = np.vectorize(function)` takes the regular Python function `function` and creates a new function `function_vec` that can operate on entire NumPy arrays element by element.

Without `np.vectorize`, you would typically need to use a loop to apply `avg_2_mod` to each pair of elements from two arrays.

`np.vectorize` provides a convenient way to apply a function designed for single elements to arrays.

[**Panda_Apply_Example.ipynb**](#)

Groupby Operations

- To aggregate, transform and filter data
- Split-apply-combine
 - 1.Data is split into separate parts based on key(s)
 - 2.A function is applied to each part of the data
 - 3.The results from each part are combined to create a new data set

Groupby() Method

- Aggregation can be done by using conditional subsetting on a dataframe
- Transformation can be done by passing a column into a separate function Filtering can be done with conditional subsetting
- Built-in aggregation methods
- User defined aggregation methods

Grouping

Split	Divide data into groups based on a key column	Split by continent
Apply	Apply a function to each group	<code>mean()</code> , <code>std()</code> , custom func
Combine	Combine results into a single DataFrame	Summarized results

GroupBy_SplitApplyCombine.ipynb

Use Dict to perform multiple aggregations

```
# use a dictionary on a dataframe to agg different
columns # for each year,
calculate the # average lifeExp, median pop, and median
gdpPercap
gdf_dict = df.groupby("year").agg( { "lifeExp": "mean",
"pop": "median", "gdpPercap": "median" } )
print(gdf_dict)
```

Check the book to see how to specify dict on a Data Series

Transform

- One-to one transformation
- Check the following:
 - Z score example
 - Missing value example fill the missing values with the mean

Filter & Grouping

- Split the data by keys, and then perform some kind of Boolean subsetting on the data
- The `.aggregate()`, `.transform()`, and `.filter()` methods are commonly used ways of working with grouped objects in Pandas
- Grouped Objects
- Grouping on multiple columns

Summary of Apply

Function	A reusable block of code defined using <code>def</code> .
<code>.apply()</code>	Runs a function across rows or columns of a Series or DataFrame.
Axis Parameter	<code>axis=0</code> → apply column-wise; <code>axis=1</code> → apply row-wise.
Lambda Function	Anonymous inline function: <code>lambda x: x*2</code>
Vectorization	Speeds up operations using NumPy or Numba to apply functions element-wise without explicit loops.

Summary of Grouping methods

.agg()

Aggregate (reduces data size)

.transform()

Transform (keeps same size)

.filter()

Keep or remove groups based on condition

.reset_index()

Flatten MultiIndex results

.get_group()

Extract a specific group