

Pandas- Series

- Series is a one-dimensional labeled array capable of holding data of any type (integer, string, float, python objects).The axis labels are collectively called index.

A pandas Series can be created using the following constructor –

- `pandas.Series(data, index, dtype, copy)`

Sr.No	Parameter & Description
1	data data takes various forms like ndarray, list, constants
2	index Index values must be unique and hashable, same length as data. Default np.arange(n) if no index is passed.
3	dtype dtype is for data type. If None, data type will be inferred
4	copy Copy data. Default False

Creating Series

- `ndArray`
- `Dict`
- Scalar value or constant

Create a Series from ndarray

- If data is an ndarray, then index passed must be of the same length.
- Creating a simple series

```
data = np.array(['a','b','c','d'])  
s = pd.Series(data)  
print s
```

Its **output** is as follows –

```
0    a  
1    b  
2    c  
3    d  
dtype: object
```

- We did not pass any index, so by default, it assigned the indexes ranging from 0 to len(data)-1, i.e., 0 to 3.

Example 2

Lets pass the index values here. Now we can see the customized indexed values in the output.

```
#import the pandas library and aliasing as pd import  
import pandas as pd  
import numpy as np  
data = np.array(['a','b','c','d'])
```

```
s = pd.Series(data,index=[100,101,102,103])  
print s
```

Its **output** is as follows –

```
100    a  
101    b  
102    c  
103    d  
dtype: object
```

Create a Series from dict

- A dictionary can be passed as input and if no index is specified, then the dictionary keys are taken in a sorted order to construct index. If index is passed, the values in data corresponding to the labels in the index will be pulled out.

```
data = {'a' : 0., 'b' : 1., 'c' : 2.}
s = pd.Series(data)
print s
```

Its **output** is as follows –

```
a 0.0
b 1.0
c 2.0
dtype: float64
```

Observe – Dictionary keys are used to construct index.

Example 2

```
data = {'a' : 0., 'b' : 1., 'c' : 2.}  
s = pd.Series(data,index=['b','c','d','a'])  
print s
```

Its **output** is as follows –

```
b 1.0  
c 2.0  
d NaN  
a 0.0  
dtype: float64
```

Observe – Index order is persisted and the missing element is filled with NaN (Not a Number).

Create a Series from Scalar

- If data is a scalar value, an index must be provided. The value will be repeated to match the length of index.

```
s = pd.Series(5, index=[0, 1, 2, 3])  
print s
```

Its **output** is as follows –

```
0    5  
1    5  
2    5  
3    5  
dtype: int64
```

Accessing Data from Series with Position

- Data in the series can be accessed similar to that in an **ndarray**.

Example 1

- Retrieve the first element. As we already know, the counting starts from zero for the array, which means the first element is stored at zeroth position and so on.

```
s = pd.Series([1,2,3,4,5],index = ['a','b','c','d','e'])  
#retrieve the first element  
print s[0]
```

Its **output** is as follows – 1

Retrieve Data Using Label (Index)

- A Series is like a fixed-size **dict** in that you can get and set values by index label.
- Retrieve multiple elements using a list of index label values.

```
s = pd.Series([1,2,3,4,5],index = ['a','b','c','d','e'])  
#retrieve multiple elements  
print s[['a','c','d']]
```

Its **output** is as follows –

```
a 1  
c 3  
d 4  
dtype: int64
```



- How to create series from Numpy array?
- How to create series using dict?
- How to create series using scaler?
- How to Accessing Data from Series with Position?
- How to Retrieve Data Using Label ?