

Intro to Programming for Public Policy Week 6

Group Aggregation and Transformation

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Aggregation

Overview

- ▶ A common data analysis task is to create pivot tables or other group level summary statistics.
- ▶ This is done using pandas' `groupby` function

Split-apply-combine

- ▶ The basic workflow for groupby operations is called *split-apply-combine*:
 - ▶ First the data (e.g. a DataFrame) is *split* into groups
 - ▶ Next a function is *applied* to each group
 - ▶ Finally the results from all groups are *combined*

Split-apply-combine diagram

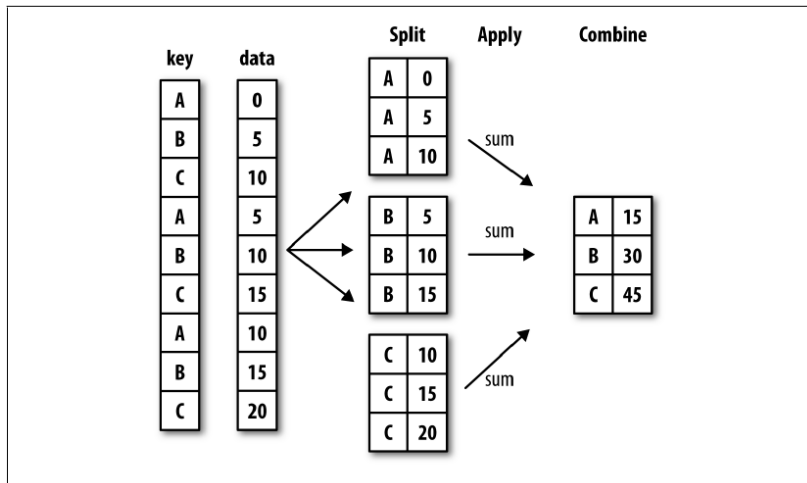


Figure 1: Group aggregation (Python for Data Analysis, Figure 9.1)

value_counts()

- ▶ In fact, `Series.value_counts()` can be thought of as a group aggregation:
 - ▶ first, the series is split into groups of each value
 - ▶ Next each group's size is calculated
 - ▶ Finally, they are re-assembled into a new series with index the group's value and value the group's size

size()

The groupby function generalizes this. We can recreate value counts like this:

```
>>> s = pd.Series(['red', 'green', 'blue', 'green',  
                  'blue', 'green'])  
>>> s.groupby(s).size()  
  
blue      2  
green     3  
red       1  
dtype: int64
```

More generally, we can group by one series to aggregate a different one.

sum()

```
>>> s = pd.Series(['red', 'green', 'blue', 'green',  
                  'blue', 'green'])  
>>> t = pd.Series([3, 4, 5, 7, 1, 2])  
>>> t.groupby(s).sum()  
blue      6  
green    13  
red       3  
dtype: int64
```

- ▶ Note that this requires the Series to be of the same size and same index.
- ▶ What data structure do we use for storing multiple series of the same size and index?

DataFrame

A DataFrame is ideal for groupby operations:

```
>>> df = pd.DataFrame({
...     'color': ['red', 'green', 'blue', 'green',
...              'blue', 'green'],
...     'value': [3, 4, 5, 7, 1, 2],
...     'number': [1.5, 2.5, 3.5, 4, 5.5, 6]
... })
>>> df['value'].groupby(df['color']).sum()
color
blue      6
green    13
red       3
Name: value, dtype: int64
```

GroupBy object

The intermediate result of `groupby()` is of the special type `GroupBy`:

```
>>> df = pd.DataFrame({
...     'color': ['red', 'green', 'blue', 'green',
...               'blue', 'green'],
...     'value': [3, 4, 5, 7, 1, 2],
...     'number': [1.5, 2.5, 3.5, 4, 5.5, 6]
... })
>>> gb = df['value'].groupby(df['color'])
>>> gb
<pandas.core.groupby.SeriesGroupBy object at 0x7f30673c3210>
```

Here we are calling `groupby` on the Series `df['value']`. We can also call it on the DataFrame `df` itself.

Column names

When grouping a DataFrame, you can pass the name of the column instead of a Series:

```
>>> gb = df.groupby('color')
>>> gb
<pandas.core.groupby.DataFrameGroupBy object at 0x7f30673c3>
```

Now calling `sum()` will aggregate all remaining columns returning a DataFrame:

```
>>> gb.sum()
      number  value
color
blue        9.0     6
green       12.5    13
red         1.5     3
```

Note that since `size()` does not depend on the column, it will still return a single Series.

Selecting a column

With a DataFrame you can select a column to aggregate:

```
>>> gb['value'].sum()
color
blue      6
green    13
red       3
Name: value, dtype: int64
```

Iterating over groups

We can iterate over the groups in the groupby object:

```
>>> for k, group in df.groupby('color'):
...     print(k)
...     print(group, '\n')
```

blue

	color	number	value
2	blue	3.5	5
4	blue	5.5	1

green

	color	number	value
1	green	2.5	4
3	green	4.0	7
5	green	6.0	2

red

	color	number	value
0	red	1.5	3

More functions

```
>>> df.groupby('color')['value'].mean()
color
blue      3.000000
green     4.333333
red       3.000000
Name: value, dtype: float64
```

```
>>> df.groupby('color').median()
      number  value
color
blue      4.5      3
green     4.0      4
red       1.5      3
```

More functions to look up: std, var, quantile, min, max, etc.

Multiple functions using agg()

You can perform aggregate using multiple functions simultaneously using agg():

```
>>> gb = salaries.groupby('Department')['Annual Salary']  
>>> gb.agg(['mean', 'size'])
```

	mean	size
Department		
ADMIN HEARNG	78683.692308	39
ANIMAL CONTRL	66197.612903	81
AVIATION	78750.549324	1629
BOARD OF ELECTION	53548.149533	107
BOARD OF ETHICS	95061.000000	8
BUDGET & MGMT	91836.545455	46
BUILDINGS	99246.761041	269
BUSINESS AFFAIRS	80577.073171	171
CITY CLERK	70899.392857	84
CITY COUNCIL	64482.566801	411
...		

Multiple keys

You can also group by *multiple* keys:

```
>>> salaries.groupby(['Department', 'Job Titles'])\
        .size()
...
```

WATER MGMNT	CONSTRUCTION LABORER	431
OEMC	CROSSING GUARD	451
FIRE	FIREFIGHTER	487
STREETS & SAN	POOL MOTOR TRUCK DRIVER	497
	SANITATION LABORER	625
POLICE	POLICE OFFICER (ASSNED DETECTIVE)	989
	SERGEANT	1202
FIRE	FIREFIGHTER-EMT	1473
POLICE	POLICE OFFICER	9520

```
dtype: int64
```

This extends the `value_counts` to multiple columns.

Transformation

Overview

- ▶ In a group aggregation procedure, each group is reduced to a single row in the result
- ▶ Sometimes you want to perform a group operation that still produces one row for each row in the source data
- ▶ For this we use `transform` instead of `agg`

Group mean

- ▶ For example, to de-mean each employee's salary within their department:
 - ▶ Split into department groups
 - ▶ Subtract the mean from each row in the group
 - ▶ Concatenate the groups together
- ▶ The result has the same number of rows (and index) as the original data

De-mean code

```
def demean(s)
    return s - s.mean()
```

```
>>> gb = salaries.groupby('Department')
>>> salaries['Annual Salary Demeaned'] =\
        gb['Annual Salary'].transform(demean)
>>> salaries[['Annual Salary', 'Annual Salary Demeaned']]
```

	Annual Salary	Annual Salary Demeaned
0	101442.0	14955.585497
1	94122.0	7635.585497
2	101592.0	18046.942884
3	110064.0	20220.298361
...		

Here transform expects a function that takes a series and returns a series.