Advanced Pandas Techniques for Machine Learning With Code Example





Introduction to Advanced Data Manipulation

Data manipulation is a crucial skill in machine learning and data science. This presentation covers advanced techniques using pandas and Python, focusing on reshaping, transforming, and analyzing complex datasets. We'll explore methods like stacking, unstacking, working with MultiIndex DataFrames, and converting between long and wide data formats.

```
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np

# Create a sample DataFrame

df = pd.DataFrame({
    'Category': ['A', 'A', 'B', 'B'],
    'Year': [2022, 2023, 2022, 2023],
    'Sales': [100, 120, 90, 110],
    'Profit': [20, 25, 18, 22]
})

print(df)
```

Stacking DataFrames

Stacking is the process of transforming columns into rows, creating a hierarchical index. This technique is useful when you want to reshape your data for analysis or visualization.

```
# Stack the 'Sales' and 'Profit' columns
stacked_df = df.set_index(['Category', 'Year']).stack()
print(stacked_df)
```

```
Category Year
         2022 Sales
                        100
              Profit
                        20
        2023 Sales
                       120
              Profit
                        25
В
         2022 Sales
                        90
              Profit
                       18
        2023 Sales
                       110
              Profit
                        22
dtype: int64
```



Unstacking DataFrames

Unstacking is the reverse operation of stacking, transforming rows into columns. This can be useful for creating pivot tables or reorganizing data for easier analysis.

```
# Unstack the previously stacked DataFrame
unstacked_df = stacked_df.unstack(level=-1)
print(unstacked_df)
```

	Profit	Sales	
Category	Year		
Α	2022	20	100
	2023	25	120
В	2022	18	90
	2023	22	110

MultiIndex DataFrames

MultiIndex (or hierarchical index) DataFrames allow you to work with higher-dimensional data in a two-dimensional structure. They are particularly useful for representing complex datasets with multiple levels of categorization.

```
# Create a MultiIndex DataFrame
multi_index_df = pd.DataFrame({
          ('Sales', 'Q1'): [100, 90],
          ('Sales', 'Q2'): [110, 95],
          ('Profit', 'Q1'): [20, 18],
          ('Profit', 'Q2'): [22, 19]
}, index=pd.MultiIndex.from_product([['A', 'B'], [2023]], names=['Category', 'Year']))
print(multi_index_df)
```

```
Sales
                               Profit
                     Q1
                           Q2
                                  Q1
                                        Q2
Category Year
          2023
                   100
                         110
                                 20
                                       22
B
          2023
                    90
                          95
                                 18
                                       19
```

Accessing Data in Multilndex DataFrames

Working with MultiIndex DataFrames requires understanding how to access and manipulate data across different levels of the index hierarchy.

```
# Accessing data using MultiIndex
print(multi_index_df.loc['A', 2023, 'Sales'])
print(multi_index_df.loc[('A', 2023), ('Sales', 'Q1')])

# Selecting specific levels
print(multi_index_df.xs('Q1', axis=1, level=1))
```

```
Q1 100
Q2 110
Name: (A, 2023, Sales), dtype: int64

100

Sales Profit
Category Year
A 2023 100 20
B 2023 90 18
```

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Long vs. Wide Data Formats

Data can be represented in long (narrow) or wide formats. Long format is often preferred for analysis and modeling, while wide format can be more readable for humans.

```
# Wide format (original DataFrame)
print("Wide format:")
print(df)

# Convert to long format
long_df = df.melt(id_vars=['Category', 'Year'], var_name='Metric',
value_name='Value')
print("\nLong format:")
print(long_df)
```

```
Wide format:
 Category Year Sales Profit
     A 2022
               100
                        20
      A 2023
               120
                        25
      B 2022
2
                90
                        18
       B 2023
              110
                        22
Long format:
 Category Year Metric Value
       A 2022 Sales
                       100
0
1
       A 2023 Sales
                       120
2
       B 2022 Sales
                        90
3
       B 2023 Sales
                      110
       A 2022 Profit
                       20
       A 2023 Profit
5
                       25
       B 2022 Profit
                        18
       B 2023 Profit
                        22
```

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Melting DataFrames

The melt function is used to transform wide-format data into long-format data. This is particularly useful when preparing data for analysis or visualization that requires data in a "tidy" format.

```
# Create a wide-format DataFrame
wide_df = pd.DataFrame({
    'Name': ['Alice', 'Bob'],
    'Math': [90, 85],
    'Science': [88, 92],
    'History': [78, 89]
})

# Melt the DataFrame
melted_df = wide_df.melt(id_vars=['Name'], var_name='Subject', value_name='Score')

print("Original wide format:")
print(wide_df)
print("\nMelted long format:")
print(melted_df)
```

```
Original wide format:
    Name Math Science
                         History
  Alice
            90
                     88
                              78
     Bob
            85
                     92
                              89
Melted long format:
    Name
         Subject
                   Score
  Alice
             Math
0
                      90
1
     Bob
             Math
                      85
  Alice Science
2
                      88
3
     Bob Science
                      92
4
  Alice History
                      78
5
         History
                      89
     Bob
```

Advanced Grouping save for later and Aggregation

Pandas provides powerful tools for grouping and aggregating data, allowing you to perform complex analyses on your datasets.

```
# Create a sample DataFrame
df = pd.DataFrame({
    'Category': ['A', 'A', 'B', 'B', 'A', 'B'],
    'Subcategory': ['X', 'Y', 'X', 'Y', 'X', 'Y'],
    'Value': [10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35]
})

# Perform advanced grouping and aggregation
result = df.groupby(['Category', 'Subcategory']).agg({
    'Value': ['sum', 'mean', 'max']
}).reset_index()

print("Original data:")
print(df)
print(df)
print("\nGrouped and aggregated data:")
print(result)
```

Handling Missing Data follow for more

Dealing with missing data is a common task in data manipulation. Pandas offers various methods to handle missing values effectively.

```
# Create a DataFrame with missing values

df = pd.DataFrame({
    'A': [1, 2, np.nan, 4],
    'B': [5, np.nan, np.nan, 8],
    'C': [9, 10, 11, 12]
})

print("Original DataFrame:")
print(df)

# Fill missing values

df_filled = df.fillna(method='ffill')
print("\nDataFrame after forward fill:")
print(df_filled)

# Drop rows with any missing values

df_dropped = df.dropna()
print("\nDataFrame after dropping rows with missing values:")
print(df_dropped)
```

```
Original DataFrame:

A B C
0 1.0 5.0 9
1 2.0 NaN 10
2 NaN NaN 11
3 4.0 8.0 12

DataFrame after forward fill:

A B C
0 1.0 5.0 9
1 2.0 5.0 10
2 2.0 5.0 11
3 4.0 8.0 12

DataFrame after dropping rows with missing values:

A B C
0 1.0 5.0 9
3 4.0 8.0 12
```

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Merging and Joining DataFrames

Combining data from multiple sources is a common operation in data manipulation. Pandas provides various methods to merge and join DataFrames.

```
# Create two sample DataFrames
df1 = pd.DataFrame({'ID': [1, 2, 3], 'Name': ['Alice', 'Bob', 'Charlie']})
df2 = pd.DataFrame({'ID': [2, 3, 4], 'Age': [25, 30, 35]})

# Perform an inner join
inner_join = pd.merge(df1, df2, on='ID', how='inner')

# Perform a left join
left_join = pd.merge(df1, df2, on='ID', how='left')

print("DataFrame 1:")
print(df1)
print("\nDataFrame 2:")
print(df2)
print("\nInner Join:")
print(inner_join)
print("\nLeft Join:")
print(left_join)
```

```
DataFrame 1:
    ID     Name
0     1     Alice
1     2     Bob
2     3     Charlie

DataFrame 2:
    ID     Age
0     2     25
1     3     30
2     4     35

Inner Join:
    ID     Name     Age
0     2     Bob     25
1     3     Charlie     30

Left Join:
    ID     Name     Age
0     1     Alice     NaN
1     2     Bob     25.00
2     3     Charlie     30.0
```

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Time Series Data Manipulation

Working with time series data is common in many data analysis tasks. Pandas provides powerful tools for manipulating and analyzing time-based data.

```
# Create a time series DataFrame
dates = pd.date_range(start='2023-01-01', end='2023-01-10', freq='D')
ts_df = pd.DataFrame({'Date': dates, 'Value': np.random.randn(len(dates))})

# Set the Date column as the index
ts_df.set_index('Date', inplace=True)

# Resample the data to weekly frequency
weekly_data = ts_df.resample('W').mean()

print("Original daily data:")
print(ts_df)
print("\nResampled weekly data:")
print(weekly_data)
```

```
Original daily data:
                Value
Date
2023-01-01 0.354314
2023-01-02 -0.499253
2023-01-03 1.209451
2023-01-04 0.443120
2023-01-05 -0.509704
2023-01-06 0.332290
2023-01-07 -1.213095
2023-01-08 -0.278596
2023-01-09 0.332784
2023-01-10 0.580333
Resampled weekly data:
                Value
Date
2023-01-08 0.017018
2023-01-15 0.211507
```

Real-Life Example: save for later Meather Data Analysis

Let's analyze a weather dataset to demonstrate the application of advanced data manipulation techniques in a real-world scenario.

```
# Create a sample weather dataset
dates = pd.date_range(start='2023-01-01', end='2023-12-31', freq='D')
weather_data = pd.DataFrame({
    'Date': dates,
    'Temperature': np.random.uniform(0, 30, len(dates)),
    'Humidity': np.random.uniform(0, 90, len(dates)),
    'Precipitation': np.random.uniform(0, 50, len(dates))
})

# Set Date as index
weather_data.set_index('Date', inplace=True)

# Calculate monthly averages
monthly_avg = weather_data.resample('M').mean()

# Find the hottest day of each month
hottest_days = weather_data.resample('M')['Temperature'].idxmax()

print("Monthly averages:")
print(monthly_avg.head())
print("\nHottest days of each month:")
print(hottest_days.head())
```

```
Monthly averages:
         Temperature Humidity Precipitation
Date
2023-01-31 14.819144 58.741148 24.776924
                                  23.865147
2023-02-28 15.326223 60.853798
2023-03-31 14.606469 59.707280
                                  24.705367
2023-04-30 15.402669 60.167848
                                  25.380250
2023-05-31 15.066451 59.729830
                                  24.911770
Hottest days of each month:
2023-01-31 2023-01-24
2023-02-28 2023-02-25
2023-03-31 2023-03-29
2023-04-30 2023-04-29
2023-05-31 2023-05-27
Freq: M, Name: Temperature, dtype: datetime64[ns]
```

Real-Life Example: Customer Segmentation

In this example, we'll demonstrate how to use advanced data manipulation techniques for customer segmentation based on purchasing behavior.

```
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
np.random.seed(42)
n_{customers} = 1000
customer_data = pd.DataFrame({
    'CustomerID': range(1, n_customers + 1),
    'TotalPurchases': np.random.randint(1, 100, n_customers),
    'AvgOrderValue': np.random.uniform(10, 200, n_customers),
    'DaysSinceLastPurchase': np.random.randint(1, 365, n_customers)
})
customer_data['ValueSegment'] = pd.qcut(customer_data['AvgOrderValue'], q=3,
labels=['Low', 'Medium', 'High'])
customer_data['FrequencySegment'] = pd.qcut(customer_data['TotalPurchases'], q=3,
labels=['Low', 'Medium', 'High'])
customer_data['RecencySegment'] = pd.qcut(customer_data['DaysSinceLastPurchase'],
q=3, labels=['High', 'Medium', 'Low'])
segment_analysis = customer_data.groupby(['ValueSegment', 'FrequencySegment',
'RecencySegment']).size().unstack(fill_value=0)
print("Sample of customer data:")
print(customer_data.head())
print("\nSegment analysis:")
print(segment_analysis)
```





	customer data: erID TotalPurch	nases	AvgOrderValue	DaysS	inceL	astPurchas	e ValueSegment
Frequency	Segment Recency	Segmen	it				
0	1	37	124.472172			14	3 High
Medium	Medium						
1	2	87	118.256325			11	2 High
High	Medium		400 070070				
2	3	52	192.379052			34	3 High
High 3	Low 4	46	02 00/00/			4.0	4 Medium
3 High	4 Medium	69	82.804886			13	4 Mealum
4	Medium 5	66	155.693686			33	5 High
High	Low	00	133.073060			3.0	o night
Segment ar	nalysis:						
ValueSegme	ent FrequencySeg	gment	RecencySegment	High	Low	Medium	
High	High		High	29	23	32	
			Low	39	25	35	
			Medium	38	30	32	
	Low		High	5	25	18	
			Low	9	24	25	
	2007 WW. 111		Medium	8	23	20	
	Medium		High	16	21	30	
			Low	21	24	26	
	11125-0125		Medium	19	24	24	
Medium High Low Medium	High		High	31	19	33	
			Low Medium	34 29	23 28	32 26	
	Low		High	8	24	22	
	LOW		Low	7	25	22	
			Medium	11	18	24	
	Medium		High	14	27	25	
			Low	21	20	24	
			Medium	22	19	26	
L	High		High	24	27	26	
			Low	31	23	30	
			Medium	30	24	29	
	Low		High	9	17	24	
			Low	9	25	23	
			Medium	8	26	21	
	Medium		High	16	25	26	
			Low	16	22	26	
			Medium	17	24	26	

Additional Resources

For further exploration of advanced data manipulation techniques using pandas and Python, consider the following resources:

- 1.pandas documentation: https://pandas.pydata.org/docs/
- "Python for Data Analysis" by Wes McKinney (creator of pandas)
- DataCamp's "Data Manipulation with pandas" course
- 4. Real Python's pandas tutorials: https://realpython.com/learning-paths/pandasdata-science/
- ArXiv paper on data manipulation techniques: "A Survey on Data Preprocessing for Data Mining" (https://arxiv.org/abs/1811.05242)





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