

Handling Time Series



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Summary



Why another data type(s)?

Pandas to rule them all

Demo



Time series data is
everywhere



The Problem with Time Series



playerID	birth Year	birth Mon	birth Day
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hlushto01	1970	2	7
cimetro01	1970	2	15
pankegr01	1970	11	6



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		birthDay
birthYear	birthMon	
1970	2	2
	11	1

```
master.groupby(['birthYear', 'birthMon']).count()
```



playerID

birthYear birthMon birthDay

1970	2	7	hlushto01
		15	cimetro01
	11	6	pankegr01



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```
master.loc[(1970, 2, 15), :]
```



EUR/USD

24-03-2017 01:00:15	1.789
24-03-2017 01:00:30	1.790
24-03-2017 01:00:45	1.791



The need for a better representation



Time Series in Pandas



pandas.Timestamp



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**Practically like
Python's
datetime.datetime**



```
ts = pd.Timestamp("1997-03-04 14:21:54")
```

pandas.Timestamp

Fully time-aware data type




```
ts = pd.Timestamp("1997-03-04 14:21:54")  
ts.year # Gives 1997
```

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```
ts = pd.Timestamp("1997-03-04 14:21:54")  
ts.year # Gives 1997  
ts.day_name() # Gives Tuesday
```

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```
td = pd.Timedelta('3 days 02:13:10')
```

pandas.Timedelta

Difference between two dates/times



```
p = pd.Period('1999-03', 'M')  
p.start_time  
p.end_time  
p.start_time < ts < p.end_time
```

pandas.Period

Represents period of time



Data type

Index type



Data type

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Timestamp	DatetimeIndex



Data type

Index type

Timestamp	DatetimeIndex
Timedelta	TimedeltaIndex



Data type

Index type

Timestamp	DatetimeIndex
Timedelta	TimedeltaIndex
Period	PeriodIndex



Other Data Types



Advanced Strategies



Summary



You are ready to work with time series

Domain is complex

Remember about the docs