

Introduction to Pandas and Jupyter

Data Boot Camp

Lesson 4.1



Class Objectives

By the end of today's class, you will be able to:



Serve Jupyter Notebook files from local directories and connect to their development environment.



Create Pandas DataFrames from scratch.



Run functions on Pandas DataFrames.



Read and write DataFrames to and from CSV files by using Pandas.



Instructor Demonstration

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Jupyter Notebook is an open-source application that allows its users to create documents that contain live code, equations, visualizations, and explanatory text.



In other words, Jupyter Notebook combines a text editor, the console, and a markdown file into one application.

Connecting Jupyter Notebook to a Virtual Environment



Follow these steps:



Create a Python file with Jupyter Notebook. Set the kernel as 'PythonData'.



Setting the kernel for Jupyter projects is important because these kernels let the program know which libraries are available for use.



Only those libraries loaded into the selected development environment can be used in a Jupyter Notebook project.

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Understanding the structure of Jupyter Notebook files is key to navigation.



Each cell contains Python code that can be run independently by placing the cursor inside a cell and pressing Shift + Enter.



Jupyter notebooks allow users to experiment with code directly and save it for later.



The values in Jupyter notebooks are stored based on what lines of code were run last.



Activity: Comic Book Remix

In this activity, you will create a Jupyter notebook that performs the same functions as the Comic Book activity from the previous unit.

Suggested Time:

15 minutes

Activity: Comic Book Remix

Instructions

Using comicbooks.py as a starting point, convert the application so that it runs properly within a Jupyter notebook.

Have the application print out the user's input, the path to comic_books.csv, and the publisher/date published for the book in different cells.

Bonus

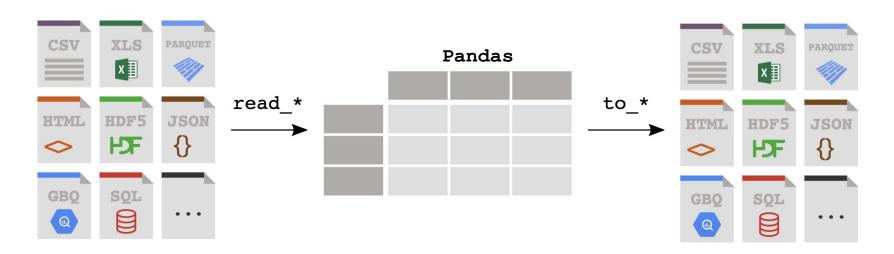
Go through any of the activities from last week, and convert them to run within a Jupyter notebook. As you go, try to split up the code into cells and print out the outputs.





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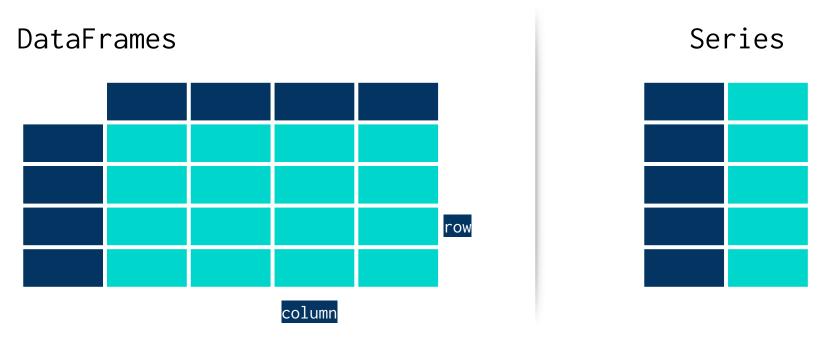
Modifying large datasets in Python can be challenging. Thankfully, the Pandas library is extremely powerful when it comes to visualizing, analyzing, and altering large datasets.

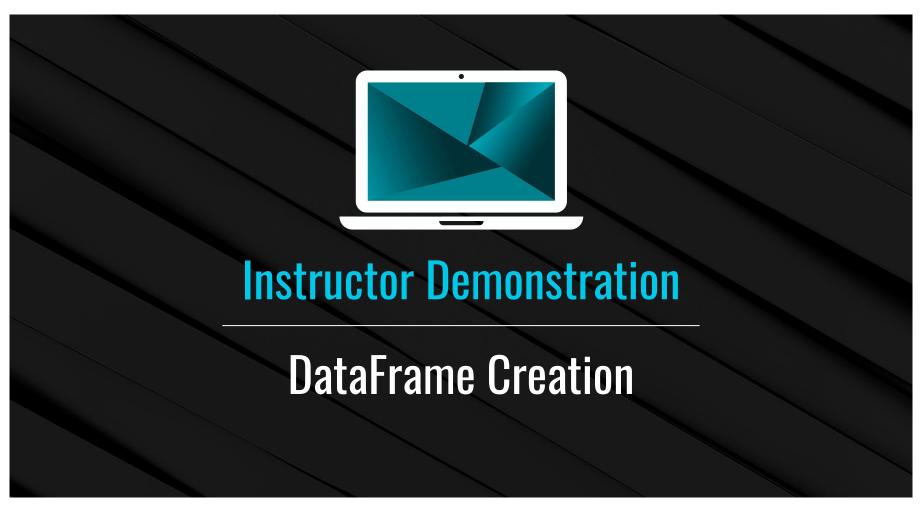


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Introduction to Pandas

Although Python alone is stuck using lists, tuples, and dictionaries, Pandas lets Python programmers work with Series and DataFrames. A **DataFrame** is a table with rows and columns. Each column in a DataFrame is a **Series**.





DataFrame Creation



Import the Pandas library by using import pandas as pd.

This method of import allows
Pandas functions/methods to be
called by using the variable pd.



To create a Series, run the pd.Series() function and place a list within the parentheses. The index for the values in the Series will be the numeric index of the initial list.

DataFrame Creation



One way (of many) to create
DataFrames from scratch is to use the
pd.DataFrame() function and provide
it with a list of dictionaries. Each
dictionary will represent a new row
where the keys become column
headers and the values are placed
inside the table.



Another way to use the pd.DataFrame() function is to provide a dictionary of lists. The keys of the dictionary will be the column headers and the listed values will be placed into their respective rows.



Activity: DataFrame Shop

In this activity, you will create DataFrames from scratch by using the two methods just discussed.

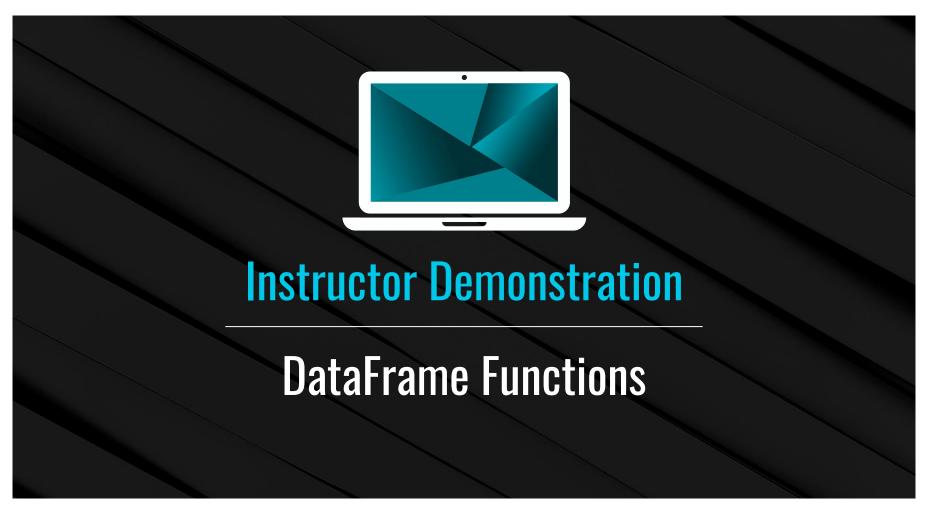
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Activity: DataFrame Shop

Instructions Create a DataFrame for a frame shop. The DataFrame should contain three columns, "Frame", "Price", and "Sales", and have five rows of data stored within it. Using an alternative method, create a DataFrame for an art gallery. The DataFrame should contain three columns, "Painting", "Price", and "Popularity", and have four rows of data stored within it. Bonus Once both DataFrames have been created, discuss which method you preferred and why.





Built-In Pandas Function: head()

The head() method is helpful because it allows the programmer to view a minified version of a much larger table; then, they can make informed changes without searching through the entire dataset.

```
In [3]: # Use Pandas to read data
data_file_df = pd.read_csv(data_file)
data_file_df.head()
```

Out[3]:

	id	Full Name	Gender	Amount	Car
0	1	Minnnie Rean	male	15484.5	Jeep
1	2	Ursa Torricella	female	13443.3	Saturn
2	3	Joyann Pirolini	male	9095.6	Ram
3	4	Sharl Ridsdell	female	11871.6	Dodge
4	5	Laurence Jovasevic	male	13459.8	Chrysler

Built-In Pandas Function: describe()

The describe() method prints out a DataFrame containing some analysis of the table and its columns. It also indicates some of the other data functions can be performed on a DataFrame or Series.

```
# Display a statistical overview of the DataFrame
          data file df.describe()
Out[4]:
                          id
                                  Amount
           count 1000.000000
                              1000.000000
                  500.500000
                              9988.738100
                  288.819436
                              5783.375372
                    1.000000
                                15.300000
             min
                  250.750000
                              5043.150000
                  500.500000
                              9899.500000
            50%
            75%
                  750.250000 15044.225000
                 1000.000000
                             19927.900000
```

Working with a Single Column



Most data functions can also be performed on a Series by referencing a single column within the whole DataFrame.



Similar to referencing a key within a dictionary, take the DataFrame and follow it with brackets that contain the desired column's header.

Working with Multiple Columns

Multiple columns can be referenced by placing all of the column headers desired within a pair of double brackets. If two sets of brackets are not used, then Pandas will return an error.

A Few Aggregating Functions

In [8]: # The sum method adds every entry in the series
total = data file df["Amount"].sum()

total

Out[8]: 9988738.100000001

.mean() computes the mean

.sum() adds the values

In [7]: # The mean method averages the series
average = data_file_df["Amount"].mean()
average

Out[7]: 9988.738099999993

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Built-In Pandas Function: unique()

In some situations, it's helpful to list all of the unique values stored within a column. This is precisely what the unique() function does: it looks into a Series and returns all of the different values contained in it.

```
In [9]: # The unique method shows every element only once
        unique = data file df["Car"].unique()
        unique
Out[9]: array(['Jeep', 'Saturn', 'Ram', 'Dodge', 'Chrysler', 'Cadillac',
               'Pontiac', 'Nissan', 'Lexus', 'Volkswagen', 'Suzuki', 'Kia',
               'Mercury', 'Audi', 'Bugatti', 'BMW', 'Mazda', 'GMC', 'Ford',
               'Mercedes-Benz', 'Land Rover', 'Chevrolet', 'Toyota', 'Honda',
               'Subaru', 'Oldsmobile', 'MINI', 'Lincoln', 'Mitsubishi', 'Isuzu',
               'Infiniti', 'Eagle', 'Saab', 'Buick', 'Volvo', 'Lotus', 'Maserati',
               'Jensen', 'Hyundai', 'Maybach', 'Corbin', 'Acura', 'Ferrari',
               'Plymouth', 'Studebaker', 'Jaguar', 'Rolls-Royce', 'Aston Martin',
               'Merkur', 'Citroën', 'Daewoo', 'Tesla', 'Porsche', 'Scion', 'Geo',
               'Hummer', 'Lamborghini', 'Fiat', 'Bentley', 'Peugeot', 'Austin',
               'Spyker', dtype=object)
```

Built-In Pandas Function: value_counts()

Another method with similar functionality is value_counts(), which not only returns a list of all unique values within a Series, but also counts how many times a value appears.

Beyond Pandas Visualization Power

Calculations can also be performed on columns and then added into the DataFrame as a new column. This is done by referencing the DataFrame, placing the desired column header within brackets, and then setting it equal to a Series.

Out[11]:

100	id	Full Name	Gender	Amount	Car	Thousands of Dollars
0	1	Minnnie Rean	male	15484.5	Jeep	15.4845
1	2	Ursa Torricella	female	13443.3	Saturn	13.4433
2	3	Joyann Pirolini	male	9095.6	Ram	9.0956
3	4	Sharl Ridsdell	female	11871.6	Dodge	11.8716
4	5	Laurence Jovasevic	male	13459.8	Chrysler	13.4598



Activity: Training Grounds

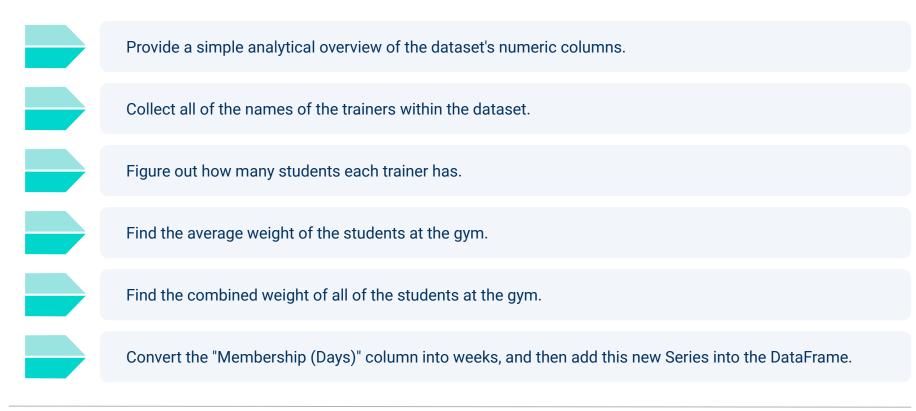
In this activity, you will now take a large DataFrame containing 200 rows, analyze it with data functions, and then add a new column into it.

Suggested Time:

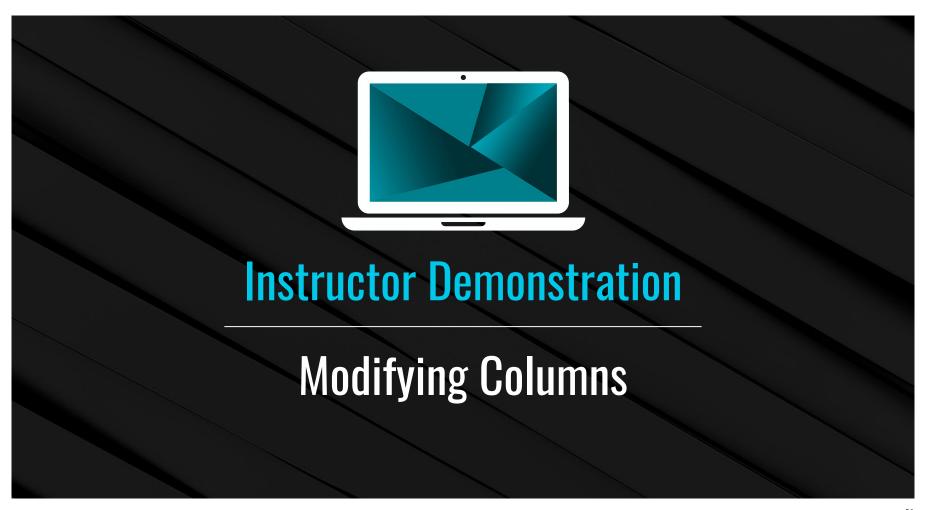
15 minutes

Activity: Training Grounds

Using the DataFrame provided, perform all of the following actions:







Modifying Columns

Column manipulation



An easy way to modify the names or placement of columns is to use the rename() function and double brackets.



To collect a list of all the columns contained within a DataFrame, use the 'df.columns' call, and an object containing the column headers will be printed to the screen.

```
In [3]: # Collecting a list of all columns within the DataFrame
    training_df.columns
Out[3]: Index(['Membership(Days)', 'Name', 'Trainer', 'Weight'], dtype='object')
```

Modifying Columns

Column manipulation



To reorder the columns, create a reference to the DataFrame followed by two brackets with the column headers placed in the desired order.



It's also possible to remove columns simply by **not** creating a reference to them. This will, in essence, drop them from the newly created DataFrame.

```
In [4]: # Reorganizing the columns using double brackets
    organized_df = training_df[["Name", "Trainer", "Weight", "Membership(Days)"]]
    organized_df.head()
```

Out[4]:

	Name	Trainer	Weight	Membership(Days)
0	Gino Walker	Bettyann Savory	128	52
1	Hiedi Wasser	Mariah Barberio	180	70
2	Kerrie Wetzel	Gordon Perrine	193	148
3	Elizabeth Sackett	Pa Dargan	177	124
4	Jack Mitten	Blanch Victoria	237	186

Modifying Columns

Column manipulation



To rename the columns within a DataFrame, use the df.rename method and place columns={} within the parentheses.



Inside the dictionary, the keys should be references to the current columns, and the values should be the desired column names.

```
In [5]: # Using .rename(columns={}) in order to rename columns
    renamed_df = organized_df.rename(columns={"Membership(Days)":"Membership in Days", "Weight":"Weight t in Pounds"})
    renamed_df.head()
```

Out[5]:

	Name	Trainer	Weight in Pounds	Membership in Days
0	Gino Walker	Bettyann Savory	128	52
1	Hiedi Wasser	Mariah Barberio	180	70
2	Kerrie Wetzel	Gordon Perrine	193	148
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Activity: Hey Arnold!

In this activity, you will take a premade DataFrame of *Hey Arnold!* characters and reorganize it so that it's easier to understand.

Suggested Time:

10 minutes

Activity: Hey Arnold!

First, use Pandas to create a DataFrame with the following columns and values:

Characters_in_show	Arnold, Gerald, Helga, Phoebe, Harold, Eugene.
color_of_hair blonde, black, blonde, black, unknown, red.	
Height	average, tallish, tallish, short, tall, short.
Football_Shaped_Head	True, False, False, False, False.

Note that the column names are inconsistent and difficult to work with. Rename them to the following, respectively:

```
Character, Hair Color, Height, Football Head
```

Next, create a new table that contains all of the columns in the following order:

Character, Football Head, Hair Color, Height







Instructor Demonstration

Reading and Writing CSV Files

Reading and Writing CSV Files

A CSV file's path is created and passed into the pd.read_csv() method, with the returned DataFrame stored within a variable.

```
In [3]: # Read our Data file with the pandas library
         # Not every CSV requires an encoding, but be aware this can come up
         file one df = pd.read csv(file one, encoding="ISO-8859-1")
In [4]: # Show just the header
         file one df.head()
Out[4]:
                         full name
             id
                                                    email
                                                             gender
                Jacquenette Nesterov jnesterov0@squarespace.com
                                                             female
                    Leanora Cashell
                                       lcashell1@blogger.com
                                                               male
          2 3
                     Arley Medford
                                    amedford2@newyorker.com
                                                               male
          3 4
                  Rafaello Crawshaw
                                     rcrawshaw3@multiply.com
                                                               male
          4 5
                   Karalee Hallaways
                                      khallaways4@uol.com.br non-binary
```

Reading and Writing CSV Files

It's just as easy to write to a CSV file as it is to read from one.

Simply use the df.to_csv() method, and pass the path to the desired output file. By using the index and header parameters, programmers can also choose whether they would like the index or header for the table to be passed as well.

```
In [8]: # Export file as a CSV, without the Pandas index, but with the header
file_one_df.to_csv("Output/fileOne.csv", index=False, header=True)
```



In this activity, you will take a large CSV file containing comic books, read it into Jupyter Notebook by using Pandas, clean up the columns, and then write a modified DataFrame to a new CSV file.

Suggested Time:

20 minutes

Instructions Read in the comic books CSV by using Pandas. Remove unnecessary columns from the DataFrame so that only the following columns remain: ISBN, Title, Other titles, Name, All names, Country of publication, Place of publication<mark>,</mark>Publisher<mark>,and</mark>Date of publication Rename the Name column to Author, rename the Date of publication to Publication Year, and then apply title case styling where appropriate in the remaining columns Write the DataFrame to a new CSV file. Hint The base CSV file uses UTF-8 encoding. Trying to read in the file by using another kind of encoding could introduce strange characters to the dataset.





In this activity, you will take the modified version of the comic book DataFrame and create a new summary DataFrame based on that dataset, using some of Pandas' built-in data functions.

Suggested Time:

20 minutes

Using the modified DataFrame that was created earlier, create a summary table for the dataset that includes the following pieces of information:





