

# Reshaping with melt

RESHAPING DATA WITH PANDAS



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# Wide to long transformation

- Perform analytics
- Plot different variables in the same graph

# Wide to long transformation

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8	Alice	Liddell	weight	58

`df.melt(` `)`

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```
df.melt(id_vars=| )
```

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```
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```

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```
df.melt(id_vars=["first", "last"])
```

# Melting data

```
books
```

	title	isbn	language	pages
0	Mostly Harmless	074	eng	260
1	The Hitchhiker's Guide	072	eng	215
2	El restaurante del fin del mundo	071	spa	250

```
books.melt(id_vars='title')
```

	title	variable	value
0	Mostly Harmless	isbn	074
1	The Hitchhiker's Guide	isbn	072
2	El restaurante del fin del mundo	isbn	071
3	Mostly Harmless	language	eng
4	The Hitchhiker's Guide	language	eng
5	El restaurante del fin del mundo	language	spa
6	Mostly Harmless	pages	260
7	The Hitchhiker's Guide	pages	215
8	El restaurante del fin del mundo	pages	250



# Values and variables

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	first	last	feature	amount
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5	Alice	Liddell	height	155

```
df.melt(id_vars=["first", "last"], value_vars=, var_name=, value_name=)
```

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```
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```

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```
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```

# Specifying values to melt

```
books.melt(id_vars='title', value_vars=['language_code', 'num_pages'])
```

	title	variable	value
0	Mostly Harmless	language	eng
1	The Hitchhiker's Guide	language	eng
2	El restaurante del fin del mundo	language	spa
3	Mostly Harmless	pages	260
4	The Hitchhiker's Guide	pages	215
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# Naming values and variables

```
books.melt(id_vars='title', value_vars=['language_code', 'isbn'], var_name='feature', value_name='code')
```

	title	feature	code
0	Mostly Harmless	isbn	074
1	The Hitchhiker's Guide	isbn	072
2	El restaurante del fin del mundo	isbn	071
3	Mostly Harmless	language	eng
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# Wide to long function

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# Wide to long transformation

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Mary Shelley	2019	25	60
Alice Liddell	2019	16	58
John Wick	2020	51	72
Mary Shelley	2020	26	61
Alice Liddell	2020	17	57

`pd.wide_to_long(` `)`

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```
pd.wide_to_long(df, stubnames = , i = , j = )
```

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	name	year	
	John Wick	2019	50
	Mary Shelley	2019	25
	Alice Liddell	2019	16
	John Wick	2020	51
	Mary Shelley	2020	26
	Alice Liddell	2020	17

```
pd.wide_to_long(df, stubnames = ["age", "weight"], i = "name", j = "year")
```

# Reshaping data

books

	title	ratings2019	sold2019	ratings2020	sold2020
0	Mostly Harmless	4.2	456	4.3	436
1	The Hitchhiker's Guide	4.8	980	4.9	998
2	El restaurante del fin del mundo	4.5	678	4.6	638

# Reshaping data

```
pd.wide_to_long(books, )
```



# Reshaping data

```
pd.wide_to_long(books, stubnames=['ratings', 'sold'])
```

# Reshaping data

```
pd.wide_to_long(books, stubnames=['ratings', 'sold'],  
               , j='year')
```

# Reshaping data

```
pd.wide_to_long(books, stubnames=['ratings', 'sold'], i='title', j='year')
```

			ratings	sold
	title	year		
0	Mostly Harmless	2019	4.2	456
1	The Hitchhiker's Guide	2019	4.8	980
2	El restaurante del fin del mundo	2019	4.5	678
3	Mostly Harmless	2020	4.4	436
4	The Hitchhiker's Guide	2020	4.9	998
5	El restaurante del fin del mundo	2020	4.6	638

# DataFrame with index

```
books_with_index
```

```
          title          author  ratings2019  sold2019
0  To Kill a Mockingbird    Harper Lee        4.7      456
1  The Hitchhiker's Guide  Douglas Adams        4.8      980
2      The Black Cat    Edgar Allan Poe        4.5      678
```

```
pd.wide_to_long(books_with_index, stubnames=['ratings', 'sold'], i='author', j='year')
```

```
          author  year  ratings  sold
0    Harper Lee  2019      4.2   456
1  Douglas Adams  2019      4.8   980
2  Edgar Allan Poe  2019      4.5   678
```

# DataFrame with index

```
books_with_index.reset_index(drop=False, inplace=True)
pd.wide_to_long(books_with_index, stubnames=['ratings', 'sold'], i=['author', 'title'], j='year')
```

	title	author	year	ratings	sold
0	To Kill a Mockingbird	Harper Lee	2019	4.7	456
1	The Hitchhiker's Guide	Douglas Adams	2019	4.8	980
2	The Black Cat	Edgar Allan Poe	2019	4.5	678

# sep argument

```
new_books
```

	title	author	ratings_2019	sold_2019	ratings_2020	sold_2020
0	A Murder Is Announced	Agatha Christie	4.4	796	4.8	856
1	Sherlock Holmes	Sir A. Conan Doyle	4.5	780	4.8	818
2	The Sparrow	Mary Doria Russell	4.2	178	4.1	238

# sep argument

```
pd.wide_to_long(new_books, stubnames=['ratings', 'sold'], i=['title', 'author'], j='year')
```

```
           sold_2020 ratings_2020 ratings_2019 sold_2019 ratings sold
title author year
```

# sep argument

```
pd.wide_to_long(new_books, stubnames=['ratings', 'sold'], i=['title', 'author'], j='year', sep='_')
```

				ratings	sold
	title	author	year		
0	A Murder Is Announced	Agatha Christie	2019	4.4	796
1	Sherlock Holmes	Sir A. Conan Doyle	2019	4.5	780
2	The Sparrow	Mary Doria Russell	2019	4.2	178
3	A Murder Is Announced	Agatha Christie	2020	4.8	856
4	Sherlock Holmes	Sir A. Conan Doyle	2020	4.8	818
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# suffix argument

```
another_books
```

```
      title  ratings_one  sold_one  ratings_two  sold_two
0  A Murder Is Announced      4.4      796      4.8      856
1    Sherlock Holmes      4.5      780      4.8      818
2      The Sparrow      4.2      178      4.1      238
```

# suffix argument

```
pd.wide_to_long(another_books, stubnames=['ratings', 'sold'], i='title', j='edition', sep='_')
```

```
      sold_one ratings_one ratings_two sold_two  ratings sold  
title  year
```

# suffix argument

```
pd.wide_to_long(another_books, stubnames=['ratings', 'sold'], i='title', j='edition', sep='_', suffix='\w+')
```

			ratings	sold
	title	edition		
0	A Murder Is Announced	one	4.4	796
1	Sherlock Holmes	one	4.5	780
2	The Sparrow	one	4.2	178
3	A Murder Is Announced	two	4.8	856
4	Sherlock Holmes	two	4.8	818
5	The Sparrow	two	4.1	238

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# Working with string columns

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# Columns with strings

```
books
```

```
      title  ratings_2015  sold_2015  ratings_2016  sold_2016
0  The Civil War:Vol. 1      4.3      234         4.2      254
1  The Civil War:Vol. 2      4.5      525         4.3      515
2  The Civil War:Vol. 3      4.1      242         4.2      251
```

```
books['title'].dtypes
```

```
dtype('O')
```

# String methods

- `pandas` Series string processing methods
- Access easily by `str` attribute

# Splitting into two columns

```
books
```

```
      title  ratings_2015  sold_2015  ratings_2016  sold_2016
0  The Civil War:Vol. 1         4.3      234         4.2      254
1  The Civil War:Vol. 2         4.5      525         4.3      515
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```

```
books['title']
```



# Splitting into two columns

```
books
```

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```

```
books['title'].str.split(':')
```

```
0    [The Civil War, Vol. 1]
1    [The Civil War, Vol. 2]
2    [The Civil War, Vol. 3]
```

# Splitting into two columns

```
books
```

```
      title  ratings_2015  sold_2015  ratings_2016  sold_2016
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2  The Civil War:Vol. 3      4.1      242      4.2      251
```

```
books['title'].str.split(":").str.get(0)
```

```
0    The Civil War
1    The Civil War
2    The Civil War
```

# Splitting into two columns

```
books
```

```
      title  ratings_2015  sold_2015  ratings_2016  sold_2016
0  The Civil War:Vol. 1         4.3      234         4.2      254
1  The Civil War:Vol. 2         4.5     525         4.3     515
2  The Civil War:Vol. 3         4.1     242         4.2     251
```

```
books['title'].str.split(":", expand=True)
```

```
      0      1
0  The Civil War  Vol. 1
1  The Civil War  Vol. 2
2  The Civil War  Vol. 3
```

# Splitting into two columns

```
books[['main_title', 'subtitle']] = books['title'].str.split(":", expand=True)
```

```
books.drop('title', axis=1, inplace=True)
```

```
pd.wide_to_long(books, stubnames=['ratings', 'sold'], i=['main_title', 'subtitle'], j='year')
```

		ratings sold		
main_title	subtitle	year		
The Civil War	Vol. 1	2015	4.3	234
		2016	4.2	254
	Vol. 2	2015	4.5	525
		2016	4.3	515
	Vol. 3	2015	4.1	242
		2016	4.2	251

# Concatenate two columns

```
books_new
```

```
   name_author  lastname_author  nationality  number_books
0   Virginia         Wolf      British         50
1  Margaret      Atwood    Canadian         40
2    Harper        Lee     American          2
```

# Concatenate two columns

```
books_new
```

```
   name_author  lastname_author  nationality  number_books
0   Virginia         Wolf        British          50
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2   Harper         Lee         American           2
```

```
books_new['name_author'].str.cat(books_new['lastname_author'], sep=' ')
```

```
0   Virginia Wolf
1  Margaret Atwood
2   Harper Lee
```

# Concatenate two columns

```
books_new
```

```
   name_author  lastname_author  nationality  number_books
0   Virginia         Wolf      British         50
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2   Harper        Lee      American          2
```

```
books_new['author'] = books_new['name_author'].str.cat(books_new['lastname_author'], sep=' ')
```

```
books_new
```

```
   name_author  lastname_author  nationality  number_books      author
0   Virginia         Wolf      British         50  Virginia Wolf
1  Margaret      Atwood    Canadian         40  Margaret Atwood
2   Harper        Lee      American          2    Harper Lee
```

# Concatenate two columns

```
books_new
```

```
   name_author  lastname_author  nationality  number_books
0   Virginia         Wolf        British           50
1  Margaret         Atwood      Canadian           40
2   Harper         Lee         American            2
```

```
books_new.melt(id_vars='author', value_vars=['nationality', 'number_books'], var_name='feature', value_name='value')
```

```
   author      feature  value
0  Virginia Wolf  nationality  British
1 Margaret Atwood  nationality  Canadian
2   Harper Lee    nationality  American
3  Virginia Wolf  number_books     50
4 Margaret Atwood  number_books     40
5   Harper Lee    number_books      2
```



# Concatenate index

```
comics_marvel
```

```
      subtitle  year  ratings  sold
main_title
Avengers      Next  1992      4.5   234
Avengers  Forever  1998      4.6   224
Avengers      2099  1999      4.8   141
```

# Concatenate index

```
comics_marvel.head(2)
```

	subtitle	year	ratings	sold
main_title				
Avengers	Next	1992	4.5	234
Avengers	Forever	1998	4.6	224

```
comics_marvel.index = comics_marvel.index.str.cat(comics_marvel['subtitle'], sep='-')  
books
```

	subtitle	year	ratings	sold
main_title				
Avengers-Next	Next	1992	4.5	234
Avengers-Forever	Forever	1998	4.6	224
Avengers-2099	2099	1999	4.8	141

# Split index

```
comics_marvel.index = comics_marvel.index.str.split('-', expand=True)  
comics_marvel
```

		subtitle	year	ratings	sold
Avengers	Next	Next	1992	4.5	234
	Forever	Forever	1998	4.6	224
	2099	2099	1999	4.8	141

# Concatenate Series

```
books_new['name_author']
```

```
0    Virginia  
1    Margaret  
2      Harper
```

```
new_list = ['Wolf', 'Atwood', 'Lee']  
books_new['name_author'].str.cat(new_list, sep=' ')
```

```
0    Virginia Wolf  
1  Margaret Atwood  
2    Harper Lee
```

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