

Create time series dataframe with sliding windows

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I have a dataset that looks like this:

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	A	B
5/8	2	3
6/8	4	2
7/8	3	5
8/8	3	2



and I want to finish like this

index1	index2	A	B
5/8	5/8	2	3
	6/8	4	2
6/8	6/8	4	2
	7/8	3	5
7/8	7/8	3	5
	8/8	3	2
etc.			

and also an equivalent that would take numeric indexes. This way I can decide whether flatten the data or create a 3d array for the ML training.

I have done it with `df.iterrows()` but it so slow. I also tried by making this code:

```
def addDatas(x,df,window):
    global df0o #Dataset to create
    if len(x)==window:
        y = df.loc[x.index];
        y.DateStarted = df.loc[x.index[-1]].created #index1 in table presented
        df0o = df0o.append(y)
    return 0;
df0o= pd.DataFrame();
#created is the date index in the first table
dfTargets.rolling("5s",on="created").apply(lambda x :
addDatas(x,dfTargets,5))
```

Both of these solutions work but they aren't fast enough and not usable with big chunks of data. I can help but think that there must be an easier way to do this that I don't know.

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The following will work on any sortable index. It does create a copy of the dataframe in memory so that is a drawback of this approach if you are memory restricted.

```
import pandas as pd

# Minimal example
df = pd.DataFrame(data={'index': ['5/8', '6/8', '7/8', '8/8'], 'A': [2, 4, 3, 3], 'B': [3, 2, 5, 2]})

# Create a shifted version of the index 'index' column
df['index_2'] = df['index'].shift()

# Copy to df2, renaming columns and dropping null value (first shifted row)
df2 = df.copy().rename({'index': 'index_2', 'index_2': 'index'}, axis=1).dropna()

# In original df overwrite index_2 to be equal to index column
df['index_2'] = df['index']

# Concatenate, set index, and sort by index
pd.concat([df, df2]).set_index(['index', 'index_2']).sort_index()
```

Output:

index	index_2	A	B
5/8	5/8	2	3
	6/8	4	2
6/8	6/8	4	2
	7/8	3	5
7/8	7/8	3	5
	8/8	3	2
8/8	8/8	3	2

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great!, that's much simpler than what I did. thank you very much – [luso97](#) Sep 30, 2020 at 7:07

I'd like to present a solution using `np.repeat`. We'll first load the data:



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```
df = pd.DataFrame({'A':[2,4,3,3], 'B':[3,2,5,2]}, index=['5/8', '6/8', '7/8', '8/8'])
```

We produce first a list, call it x_i , that has across its length values 2, except the first and last element.

```
xi=[2]*len(df)
xi[0]=1
xi[-1]=1
```

This list will be used in `np.repeat` to repeat the desired elements. Basically, the following gives the desired data, except that an index missing:

```
ndf = df.loc[np.repeat(df.index.values, xi)]
```

The following prepares the first-level index:

```
ndf.set_index([np.repeat(ndf.index, [2,0]*int(len(ndf)/2)), ndf.index])
```

	A		B	
new_index				
5/8	5/8	2	3	
	6/8	4	2	
6/8	6/8	4	2	
	7/8	3	5	
7/8	7/8	3	5	
	8/8	3	2	

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