

# Everything You Need To Know About PandasGUI



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## Introduction

How many times you have used Pandas library for your Data Science tasks? Almost every time! Pandas is an essential library for data manipulation and generating insights from the dataset in the form of summary tables, visualizations, and much more.

PandasGUI is a Python-based library that facilitates data manipulation and summary statistics to be applied on the dataset using GUI. That means that all the operations will be performed via the graphical user interface (GUI), but pandas will be used to execute them under the hood.

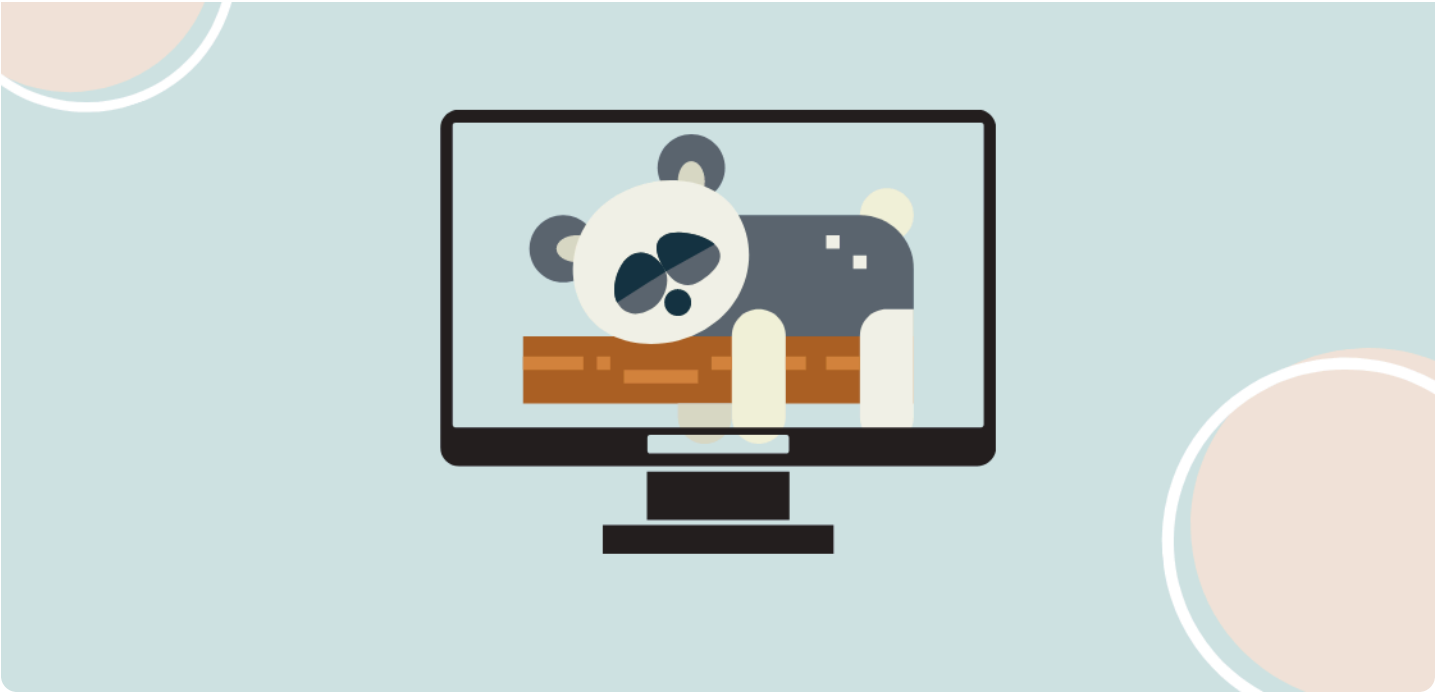
In this article, I will walk you through all the features of this library, how it generates interactive plots, and how to access the automatic Python code generated for all the operations performed via GUI!

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## Installation

PandasGUI is a Python package and can be installed via the pip package manager.

Note: I would recommend using Python 3.8 and above for installation. Also, make sure to create a separate environment (virtual environment) and install the library in that environment.

### Creating virtual environment (conda)

Run these commands in your terminal

```
conda create -n nameofenv python=version
```

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## Setup

First thing first, load the library. We are interested in the `show()` function of the `pandasGUI` library that initializes the application.

```
from pandasgui import show
```

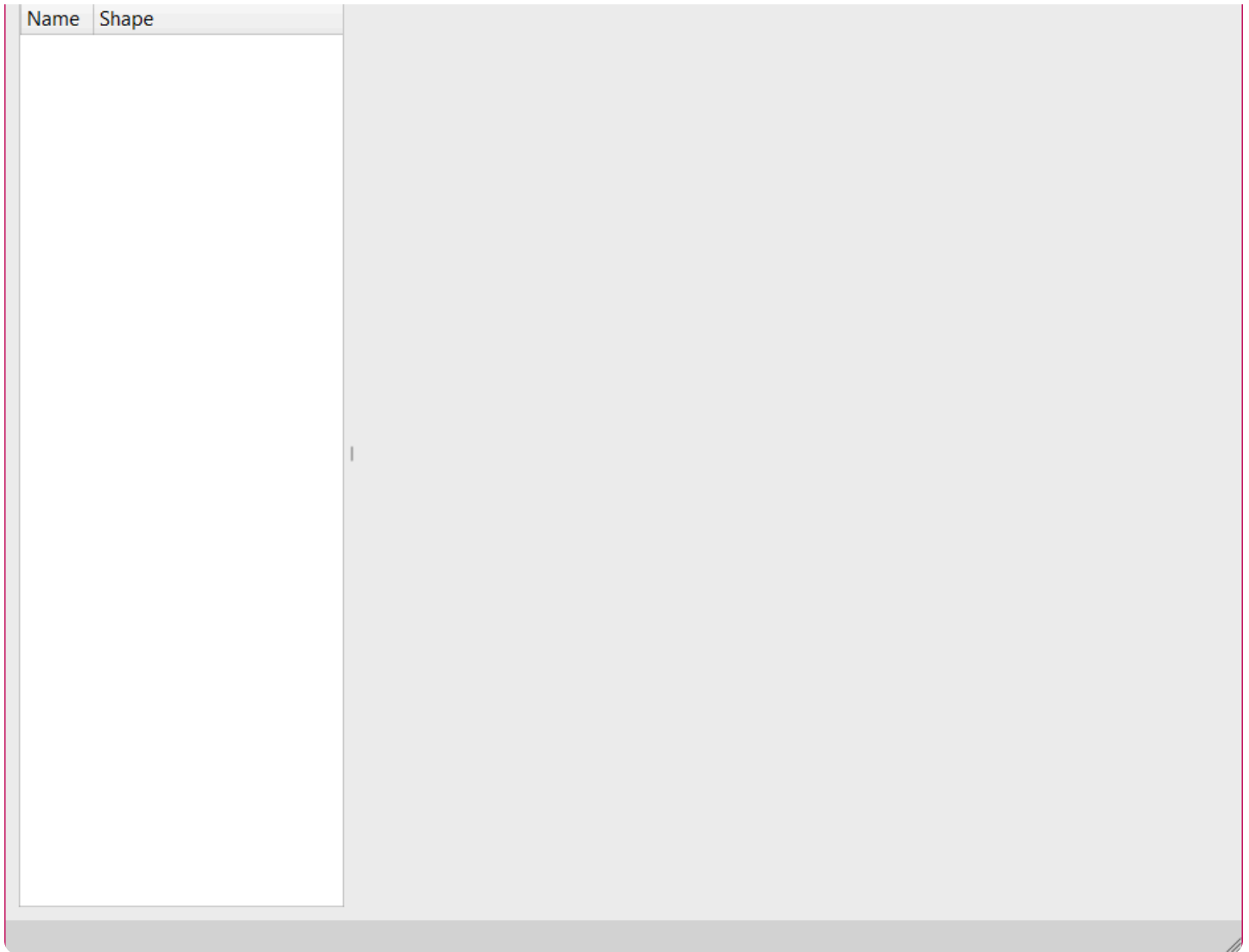
This function can be used in two ways:

1. You can directly instantiate the `pandasGUI` `show` function which will open up the application without any dataset.
2. You can pass the dataframe to the function and the application will be populated with the rows and columns of the dataset. This way, you can load multiple datasets at the same time bypassing all the dataframe objects to the `show()` method.

For now, we will load the application without any dataset,

```
show()
```

And you will get a screen like this:



First-time screen

## Various features

Now, we will explore all the features of this application step by step.

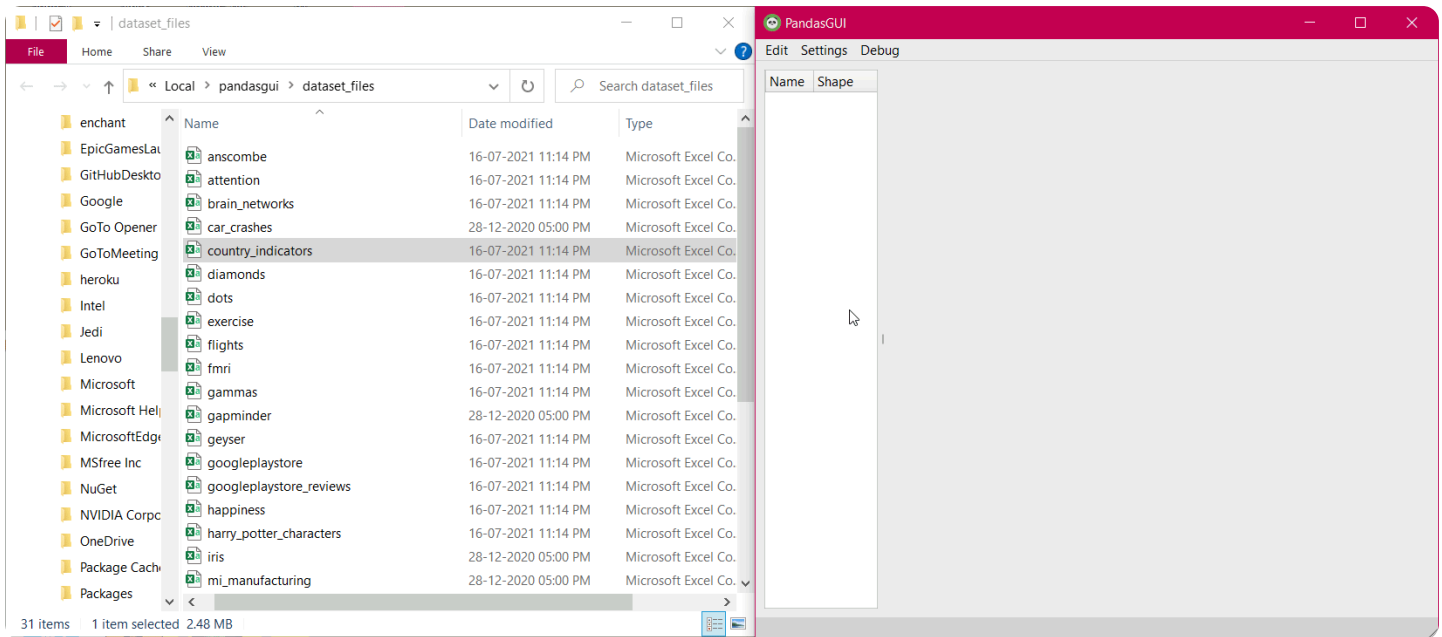
## Loading the Dataset

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3. Import dataframe from the clipboard using Edit menu's "Import From Clipboard"
4. Use Debug menu's "Browse Sample Datasets" to load any sample dataset for testing.
5. Drag and drop the CSV files into the application

See the GIF below:



## On-Screen operations

Apart from the various tabs and menus offered by the pandasGUI application, there are some of the operations which you can apply directly by triggering the GUI elements displayed:

1. All the cells of the dataset shown are editable. You can click on any of the cells and

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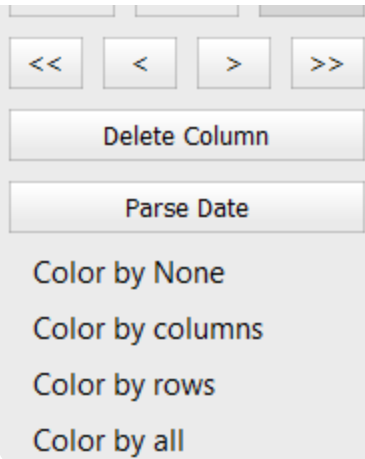
The screenshot shows a data analysis tool interface. On the left, there's a sidebar with 'Name' and 'Shape' columns. The main area displays a table with columns: index, carat, cut, color, clarity, depth, and tab. The table contains 20 rows of diamond data. On the right, there's a 'Filters' panel with a search bar 'Enter query expression', an 'Add Filter' button, a link 'What's a query expression?', a checked 'Autocomplete' checkbox, and a large empty box with the text 'No filters defined'.

index	carat	cut	color	clarity	depth	tab
0	0.2300	Ideal	E	SI2	61.5000	55.0
1	0.2100	Premium	E	SI1	59.8000	61.0
2	0.2300	Good	E	VS1	56.9000	65.0
3	0.2900	Premium	I	VS2	62.4000	58.0
4	0.3100	Good	J	SI2	63.3000	58.0
5	0.2400	Very Good	J	VVS2	62.8000	57.0
6	0.2400	Very Good	I	VVS1	62.3000	57.0
7	0.2600	Very Good	H	SI1	61.9000	55.0
8	0.2200	Fair	E	VS2	65.1000	61.0
9	0.2300	Very Good	H	VS1	59.4000	61.0
10	0.3000	Good	J	SI1	64.0000	55.0
11	0.2300	Ideal	J	VS1	62.8000	56.0
12	0.2200	Premium	F	SI1	60.4000	61.0
13	0.3100	Ideal	J	SI2	62.2000	54.0
14	0.2000	Premium	E	SI2	60.2000	62.0
15	0.3200	Premium	E	I1	60.9000	58.0
16	0.3000	Ideal	I	SI2	62.0000	54.0
17	0.3000	Good	J	SI1	63.4000	54.0
18	0.3000	Good	J	SI1	63.8000	56.0
19	0.3000	Very Good	J	SI1	62.7000	59.0

2. Right-click on the column headers will give you an interactive column menu containing options for sorting the column by ascending, descending order, moving the column to extreme ends or within the range, parsing the column containing dates as a string to pandas datetime format, and deleting the column option.

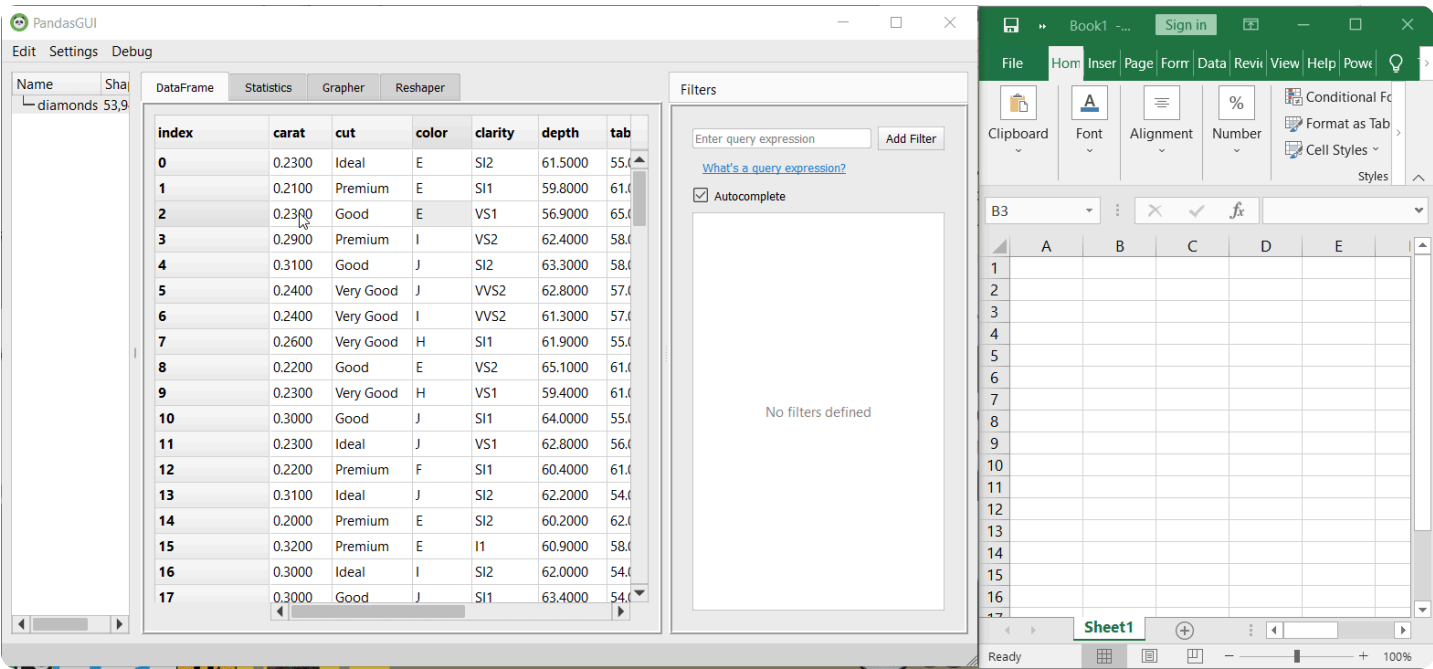
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Column Header Options

3. By dragging and selecting any portion of the dataset, you can copy that section and paste it into any cell of the excel sheet. It will be automatically converted to a tabular format as shown in the application itself.

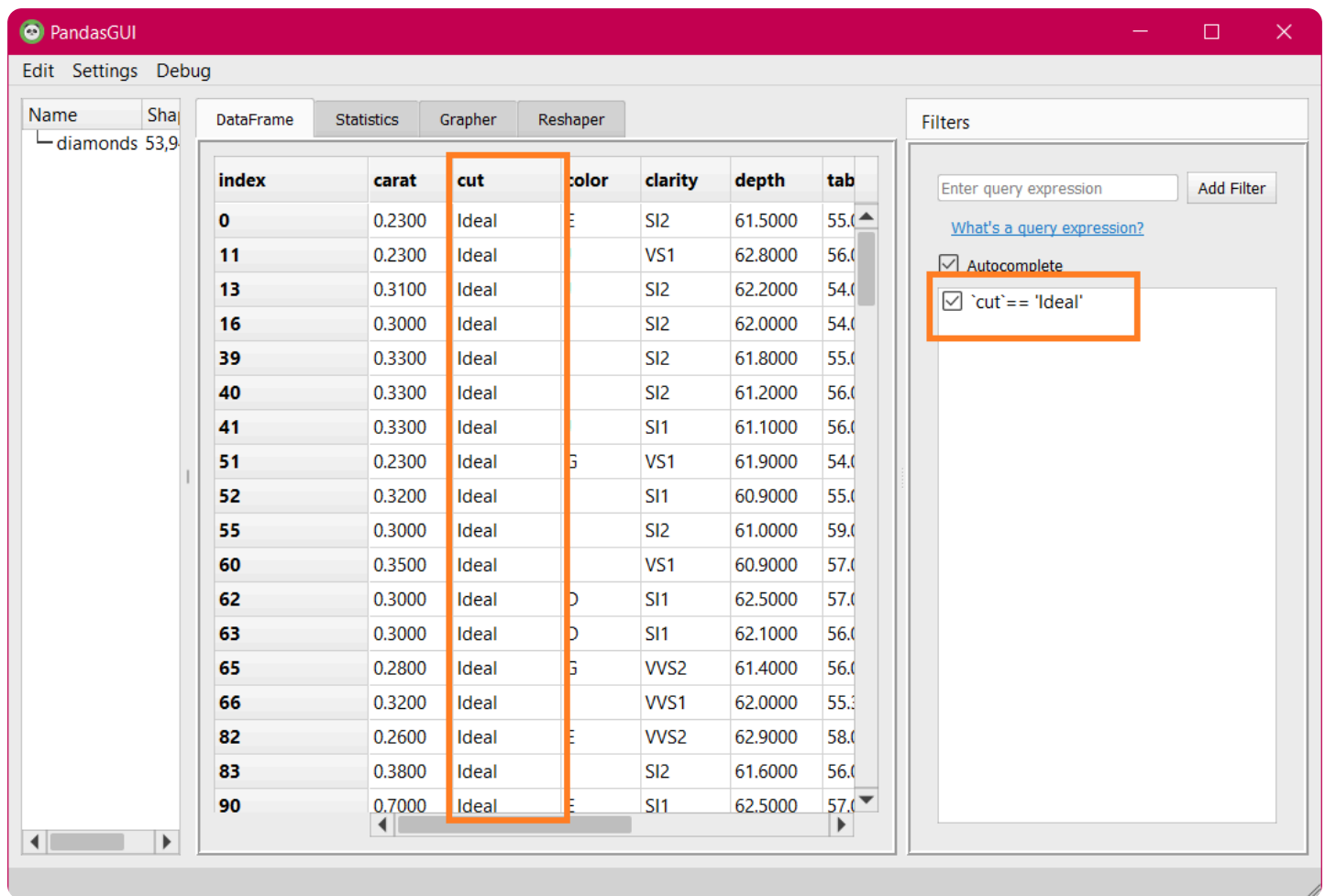


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It helps in isolating a segment of the dataset and work on that isolated section. In pandas, you usually use comparisons, threshold values with columns, or whole datasets to filter data. In pandasGUI, you can do the same type of filtering using the Filters tab on the right.

Just type out the expression for filtering and only the data that satisfies the condition will be displayed. See an example below:



The screenshot shows the PandasGUI application interface. On the left, a sidebar lists the loaded dataset 'diamonds' with 53,941 rows. The main area displays a table of diamond data with columns: index, carat, cut, color, clarity, depth, and tab. The 'cut' column is highlighted with an orange box. On the right, the 'Filters' panel is open, showing a text input field with the query expression 'cut == 'Ideal'' and an 'Add Filter' button. The 'Autocomplete' checkbox is also checked.

index	carat	cut	color	clarity	depth	tab
0	0.2300	Ideal	E	SI2	61.5000	55.0
11	0.2300	Ideal		VS1	62.8000	56.0
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40	0.3300	Ideal		SI2	61.2000	56.0
41	0.3300	Ideal		SI1	61.1000	56.0
51	0.2300	Ideal	G	VS1	61.9000	54.0
52	0.3200	Ideal		SI1	60.9000	55.0
55	0.3000	Ideal		SI2	61.0000	59.0
60	0.3500	Ideal		VS1	60.9000	57.0
62	0.3000	Ideal	D	SI1	62.5000	57.0
63	0.3000	Ideal	D	SI1	62.1000	56.0
65	0.2800	Ideal	G	VVS2	61.4000	56.0
66	0.3200	Ideal		VVS1	62.0000	55.0
82	0.2600	Ideal	E	VVS2	62.9000	58.0
83	0.3800	Ideal		SI2	61.6000	56.0
90	0.7000	Ideal	E	SI1	62.5000	57.0

## Filtering data by “cut=ideal”

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The screenshot shows a data table with 11 columns: index, carat, cut, color, clarity, depth, table, price, x, and y. The first 10 rows are highlighted with an orange border. To the right, a filter panel is visible with the following settings:

- Enter query expression:  Add Filter
- What's a query expression?
- ☒ Autocomplete
- ☒ 'cut' == 'Ideal'
- ☒ 'price' > 1000
- ☒ 'table' < 100
- ☒ 'color' == 'E'

index	carat	cut	color	clarity	depth	table	price	x	y
90	0.7000	Ideal	E	SI1	62.5000	57.0000	2757	5.7000	5.7200
109	0.5900	Ideal	E	VVS2	62.0000	55.0000	2761	5.3800	5.4300
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118	0.7000	Ideal	E	VS2	60.7000	58.0000	2762	5.7300	5.7600
121	0.7400	Ideal	E	SI1	62.3000	54.0000	2762	5.8000	5.8300
149	0.7000	Ideal	E	SI1	60.9000	57.0000	2768	5.7300	5.7600
173	0.6000	Ideal	E	VS1	61.7000	55.0000	2774	5.4100	5.4400
174	0.7000	Ideal	E	SI1	62.7000	55.0000	2774	5.6800	5.7400
179	0.7100	Ideal	E	VS2	62.2000	57.0000	2776	5.7900	5.6200
180	0.5400	Ideal	E	VVS2	61.6000	56.0000	2776	5.2500	5.2700
181	0.5400	Ideal	E	VVS2	61.5000	57.0000	2776	5.2400	5.2600
191	0.7000	Ideal	E	VS2	62.1000	55.0000	2777	5.7000	5.6700
198	0.7000	Ideal	E	SI1	61.4000	57.0000	2777	5.7600	5.7000
209	0.7400	Ideal	E	SI1	61.7000	56.0000	2779	5.8400	5.8000
249	0.7000	Ideal	E	SI1	61.6000	56.0000	2789	5.7200	5.7500
262	0.7300	Ideal	E	SI1	62.2000	56.0000	2791	5.7400	5.7800
265	0.7100	Ideal	E	SI1	61.3000	55.0000	2792	5.7200	5.7700
332	0.7300	Ideal	E	SI1	60.6000	54.0000	2803	5.8400	5.8900

An example where multiple filters are applied to the dataset



Note: All the filters are applied using “`pandas.dataframe.query()`” method under the hood.

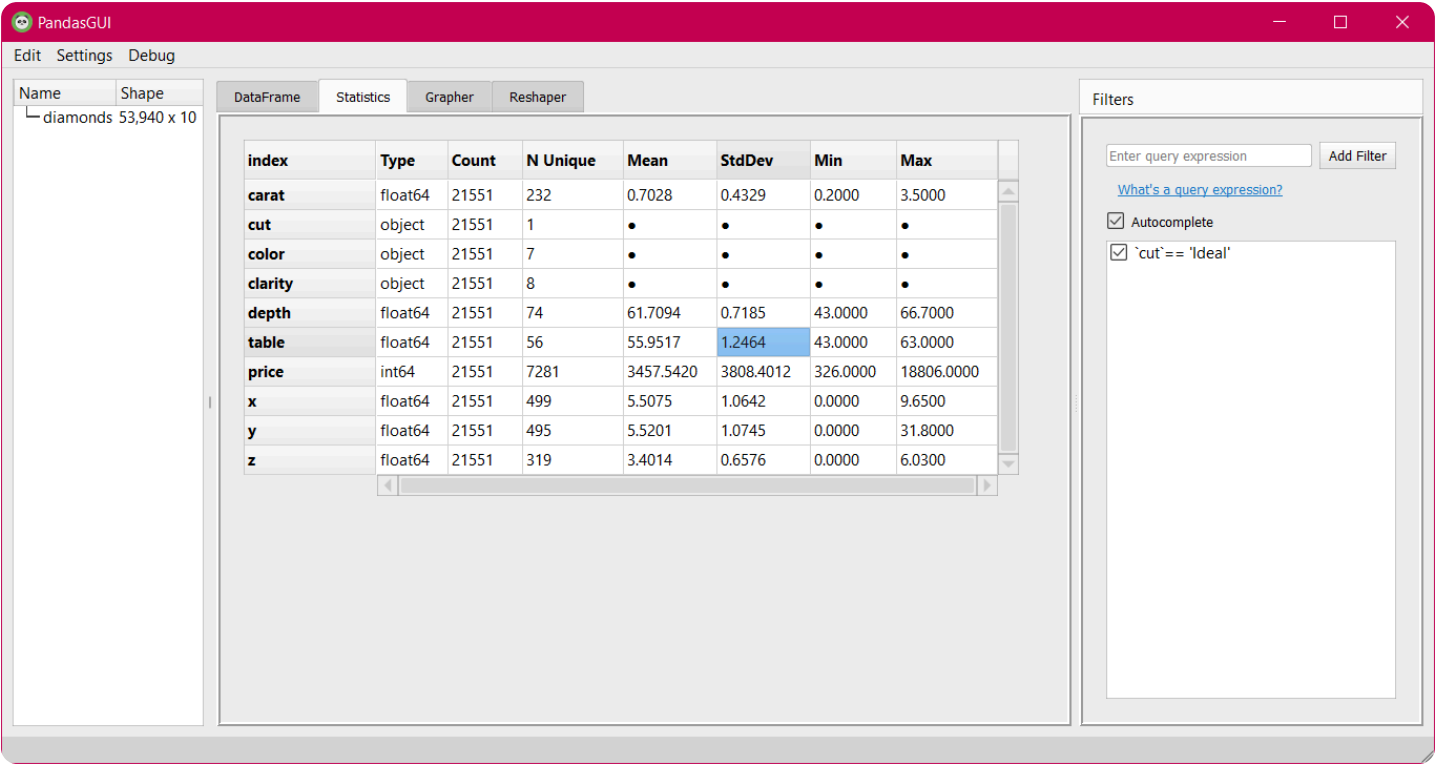
## Statistics Tab

Statistics play an important role in a descriptive view of all the features of the dataset. These contain parameters such as percentiles which helps in getting insight into how the data is spread, mean, which is affected outliers, can still tell us about the center of data and standard deviation tells about how much the column data varies inside. A column with 0 standard deviations will be of no use as this would mean that all the

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data type, count, the number of unique values, mean, standard deviation, and min. max. For string type values, numerically calculated parameters such as mean will be null.



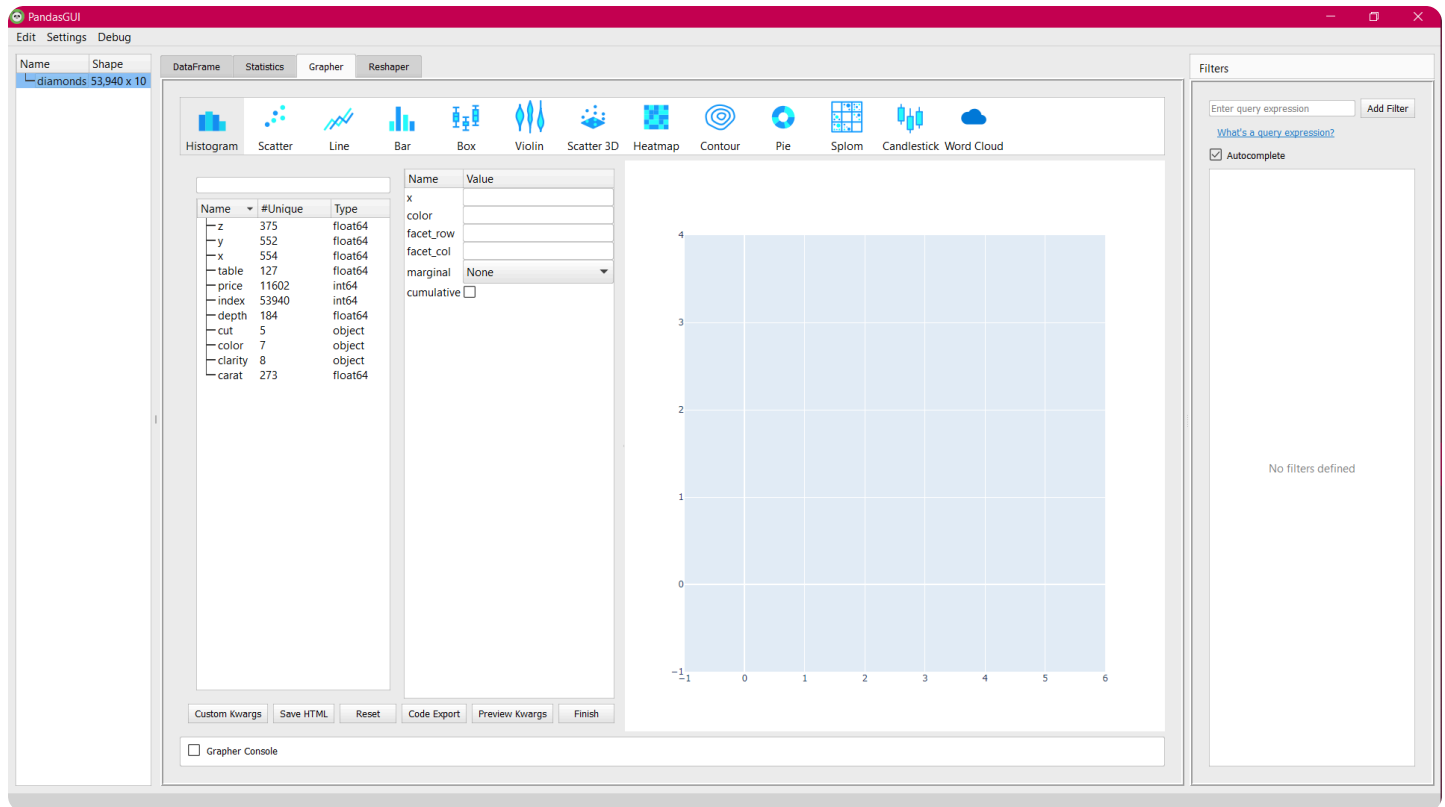
Statistical Summary

Grapher Tab

Graphs and visualizations is a very powerful tool in presenting a summary of the data using visual elements. For instance, Distribution graphs can help in determining whether the column values align with normal distribution/bell-shaped curve which simplifies our task for determining the population parameters and concluding facts

advantages, and therefore, plotting data is important.

To plot such visualizations using pandasGUI, simply switch to the Grapher tab and you will get an initial screen like this:



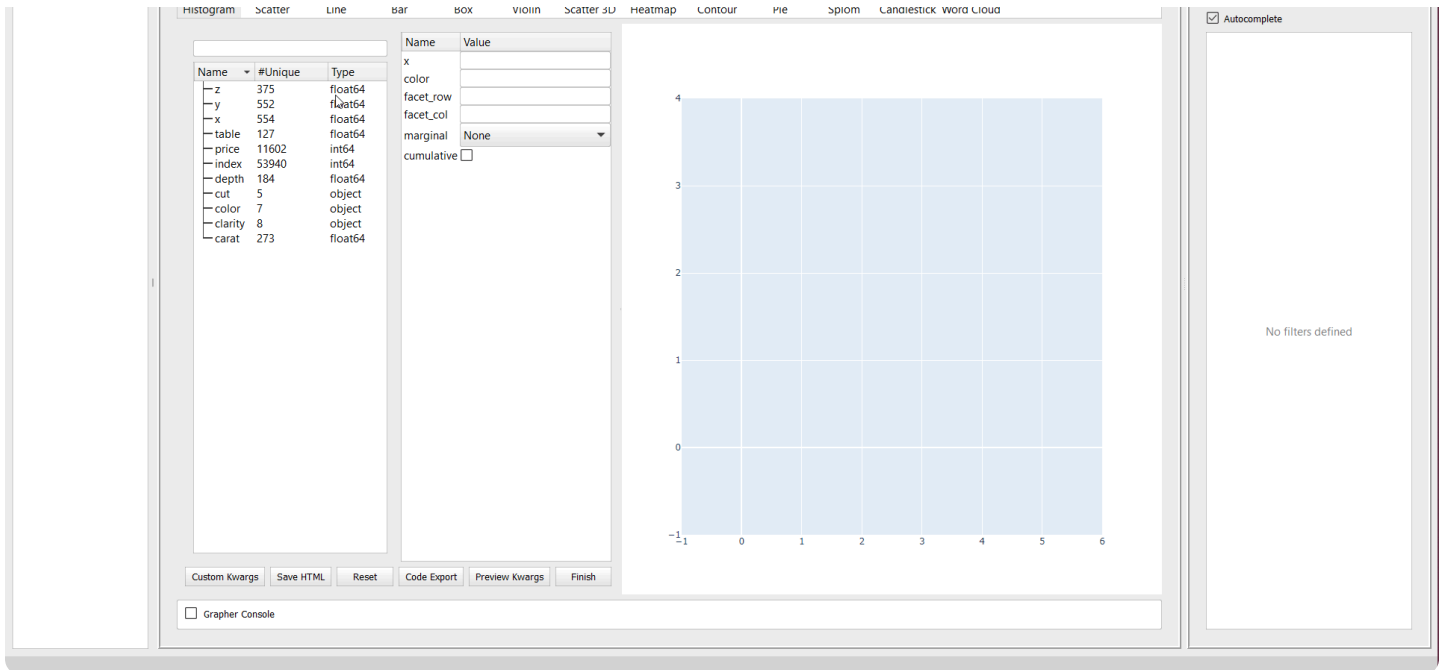
## Grapher tab initial screen

You can choose from histograms, scatter plots, bar charts, box plots, violin plots, scatter 3D, heatmap, contour plots, pie charts, splom, candlestick, candlestick, and word clouds. All these plots are created using the Plotly library at the backend and therefore, the plots are interactive in nature.

Let's plot some data. To do the plotting, simply select any type of plot, and then drag

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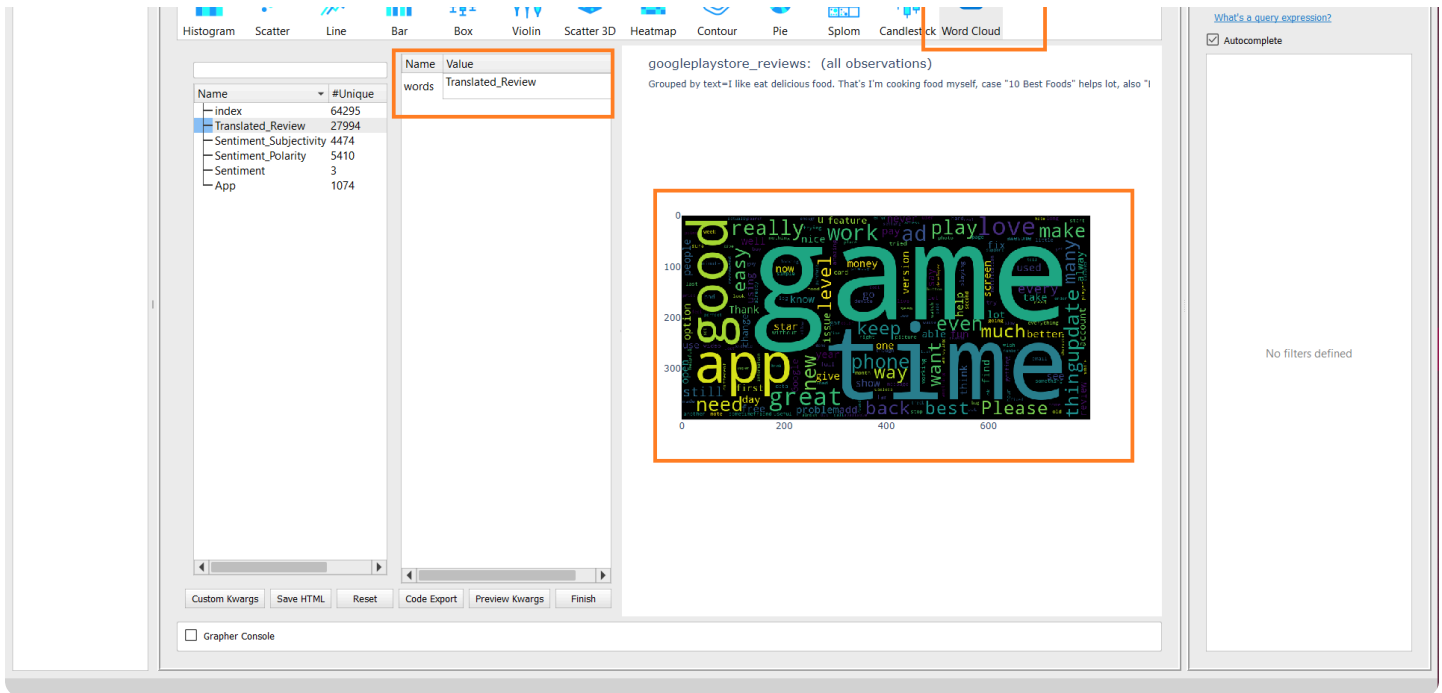
## Scatter plots

You can see that as “x” increases, the “price” increases exponentially. The plot is interactive in nature due to the plotly backend. The parameters such as “x”, “y”, “color” change as per the plot to be displayed. For instance, you will not get “x”, “y” parameters for the word cloud.

Let’s plot a word cloud for a different dataset, Google Play store app reviews, that contain textual information about the app’s feedback:

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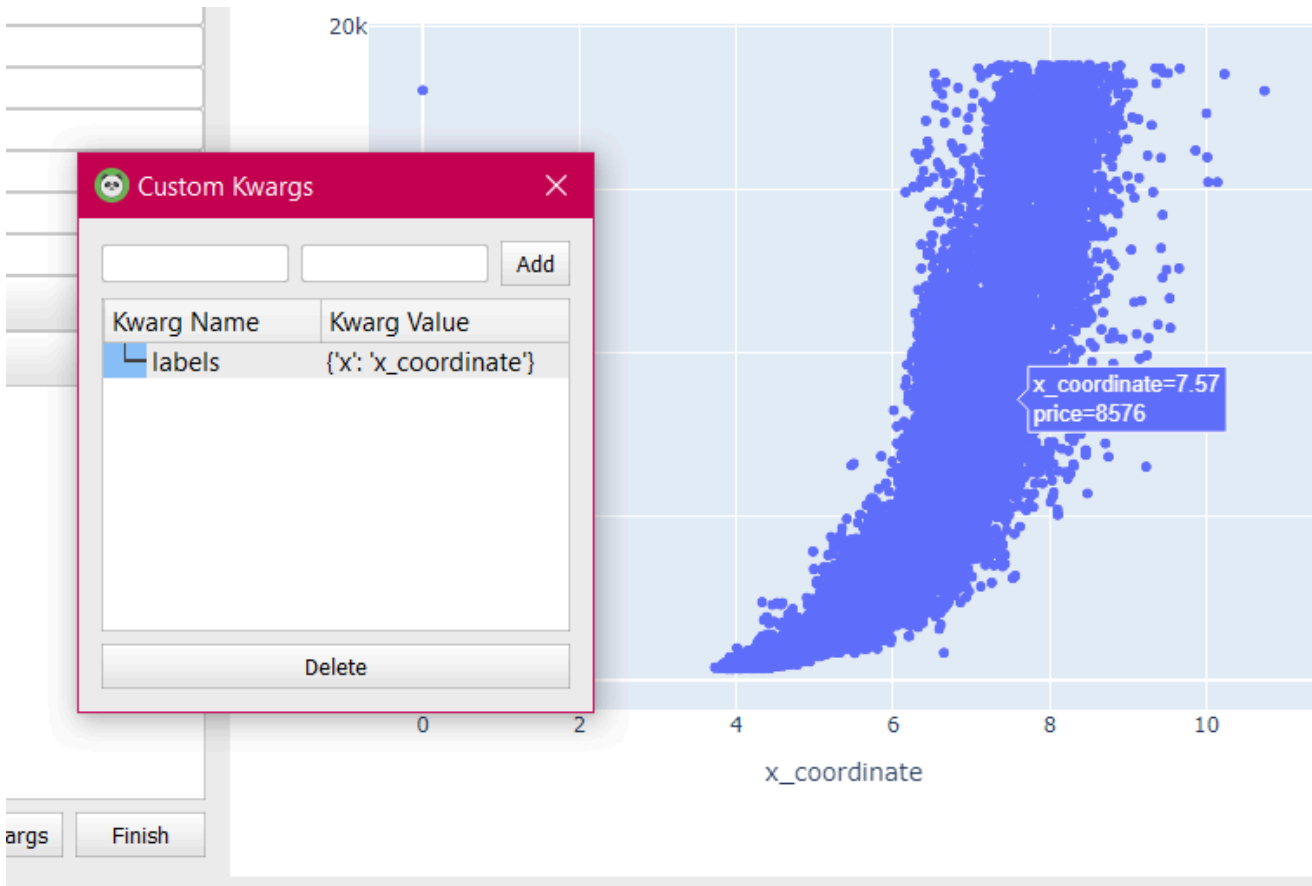
## Word cloud for Google Play store app reviews

Other common options are available for each plot are available at the bottom of the column and parameters panel. These include:

**Custom kwargs:** As the plotting is done plotly, you can add all the kwargs supported by plotly express. The current arguments may be limited for best use-case but you can pass your custom arguments using this option. For example, the default name of the column “x” can be changed to something else using the “labels” argument:

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## Custom kwarg

**Save HTML:** Using this option, you can save the plot generated into an HTML file. This file can be used independently without the need for any backend. The HTML file displays the graph interactively using JavaScript.

**Reset:** This option clears all the parameters values.

**Code Export:** You can export the code for plotting the graph using this option. The code will lack the custom keywords provided but the basic code will be helpful to get

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This is useful in cases when you have applied the custom arguments and you want to reload the graph with those arguments applied.

## Reshaper Tab

Summary tables such as Pivot tables play a crucial role to summarize data based on aggregation functions such as mean, median, sum, etc. You can simply create these tables using the reshaper tab. This tab offers Pivot tables, melt tables, merging and concatenating tables. Simply drag the column names from the left panel to the parameter required and click on finish.

You will get a new dataframe with the summary selected. Let's create a pivot table for summary for "cut" as the index, "color" as the new column, and aggregated mean values "depth" of diamonds dataset:

The screenshot shows the 'Reshaper' tab in a data analysis tool. The left panel displays a list of columns from the 'diamonds' dataset. The 'cut' column is selected. The right panel shows the configuration for a pivot table: 'index' is set to 'cut', 'columns' is set to 'color', and 'aggfunc' is set to 'mean'. The 'Filters' panel on the far right is empty.

Name	#Unique	Type
z	375	float64
y	552	float64
x	554	float64
table	127	float64
price	11602	int64
index	53940	int64
depth	184	float64
cut	5	object
color	7	object
clarity	8	object
carat	273	float64

Name	Value
index	cut
columns	color
values	depth
aggfunc	mean

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using the settings & theme set preferences option. You can change the theme of the application to dark mode, disable the editable on-screen features, set auto\_finish to True, change render mode, change default aggregation function from mean to other function, and format the title.

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auto_finish	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> auto_finish
render_mode	auto
aggregation	mean
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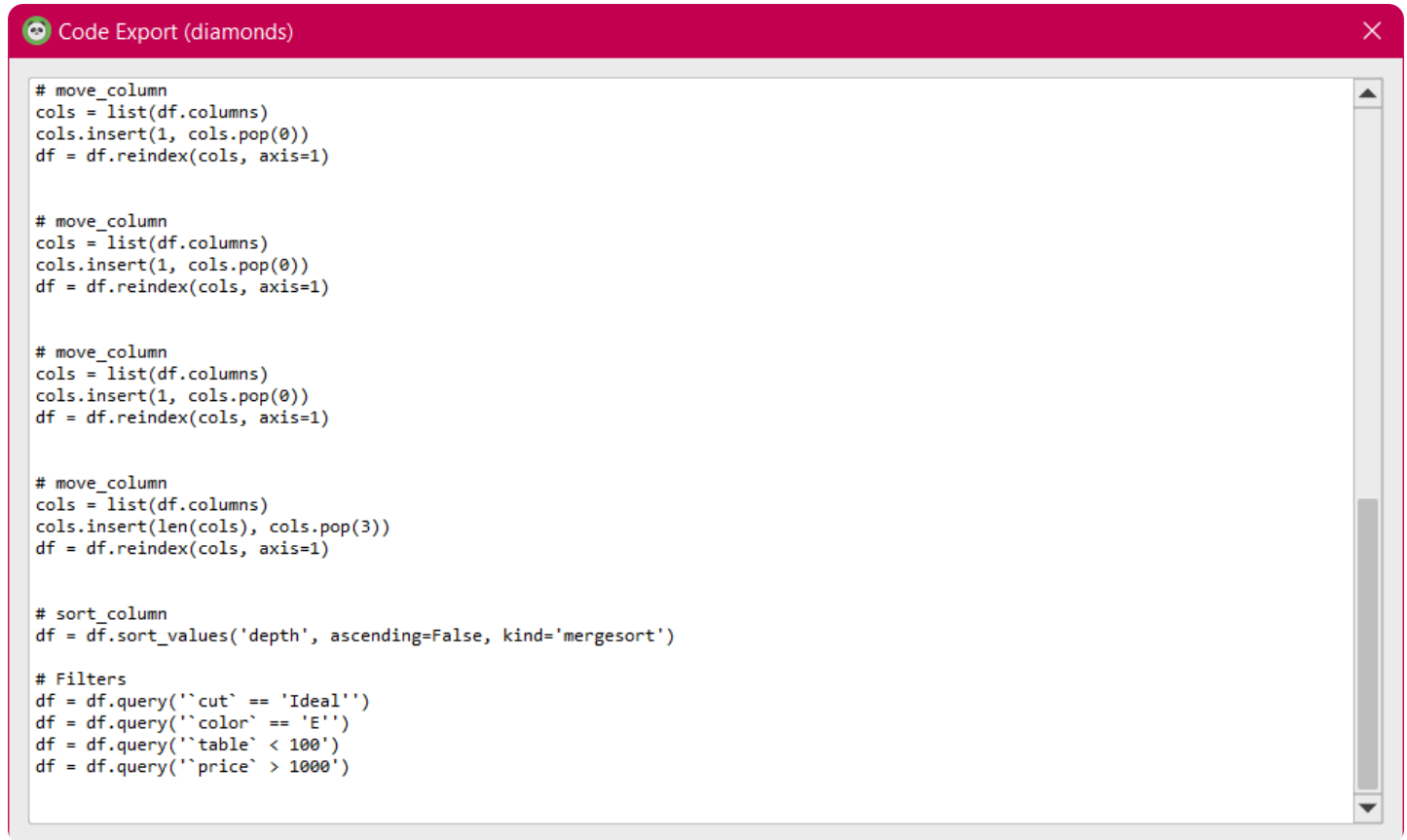
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parallel equivalent code for all the operations performed using the edit menu's export code option. This code will be formatted in the order of the operation with appropriate comments for every operation performed.

A screenshot of a window titled "Code Export (diamonds)" with a close button in the top right corner. The window contains a text area with the following Python code:

```
# move_column
cols = list(df.columns)
cols.insert(1, cols.pop(0))
df = df.reindex(cols, axis=1)

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cols.insert(1, cols.pop(0))
df = df.reindex(cols, axis=1)

# move_column
cols = list(df.columns)
cols.insert(1, cols.pop(0))
df = df.reindex(cols, axis=1)

# move_column
cols = list(df.columns)
cols.insert(len(cols), cols.pop(3))
df = df.reindex(cols, axis=1)

# sort_column
df = df.sort_values('depth', ascending=False, kind='mergesort')

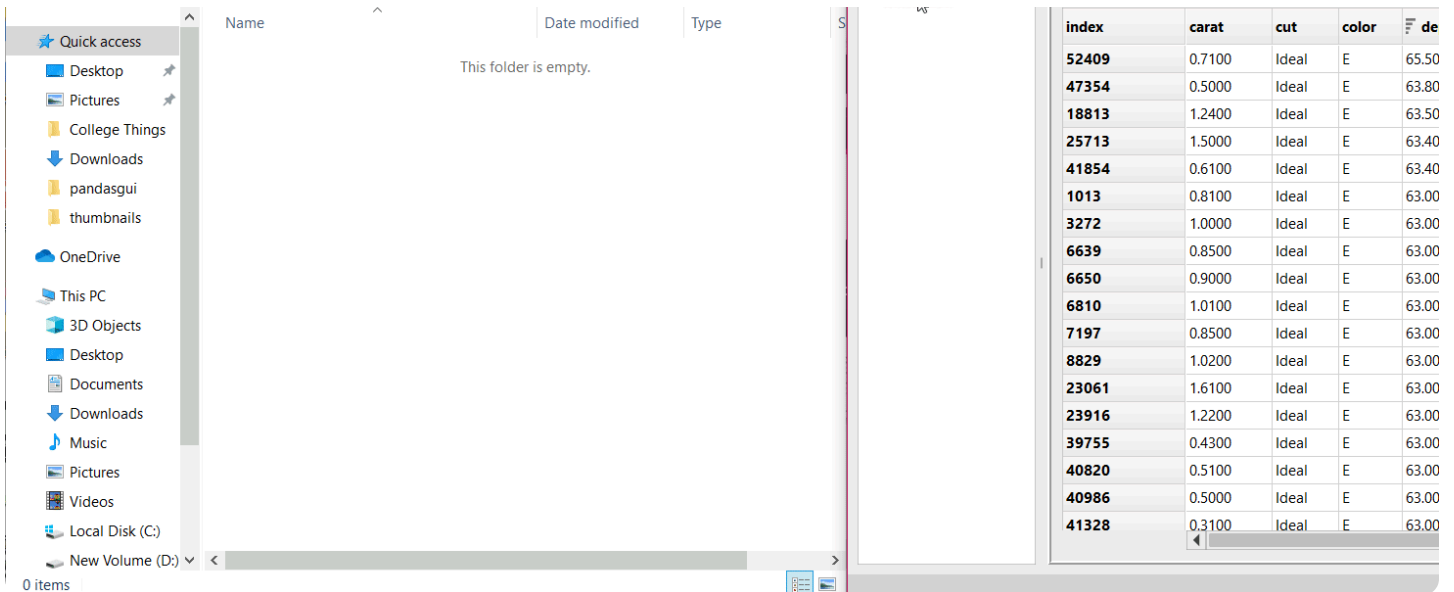
# Filters
df = df.query("`cut` == 'Ideal'")
df = df.query("`color` == 'E'")
df = df.query("`table` < 100")
df = df.query("`price` > 1000")
```

## Code Generation by PandasGUI

In the same edit menu, you have the option of exporting the modified dataframe. You can opt for that option or more easily, you can drag and drop the dataframe name to any folder and a CSV file for that dataframe will be created.

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## Conclusion

In this detailed article, I introduced you to PandasGUI. It is a very powerful tool to perform data manipulation and exploration via the graphical user interface. We started with the installation of the library, loading the dataset, then explored all the on-screen functions, looked at each tab in greater detail, and then saw some of the miscellaneous functions.



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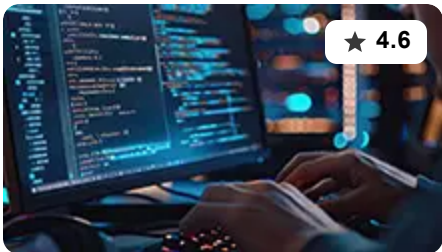
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