

# Pandas Complete Tutorial for Data Science in 2022

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## Pandas Beginner to Advanced Guide



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[Pandas](#) is one of the most popular python frameworks among [data scientists](#), data analytics to [machine learning](#) engineers. This framework is an essential tool for data loading, preprocessing, and analysis.

Before learning Pandas, you must understand what is data frame? [Data Frame](#) is a two-dimensional data structure, like a 2d array, or similar to the table with rows and columns.

For this article, I am using my dummy online store data set, which is located in my [Kaggle](#) account and [GitHub](#). You can download it from both. Also, I will provide you with all this exercise notebook on my GitHub account, so feel free to use it.

Before starting the article, here are the topics we covered.

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Feel free to check out [GitHub](#) repo for this tutorial.

## 1. Setup

### Import

Before moving on to learn pandas first we need to install them and import them. If you install [Anaconda distributions](#) on your local machine or using [Google Colab](#) then pandas will already be available there, otherwise, you follow this installation process from [pandas official's website](#).

```
# Importing libraries
import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
```

## Setting Display Option

Default setting of pandas display option there is a limitation of columns and rows displays. When we need to show more rows or columns then we can use `set_option()` the function to display a large number of rows or columns. For this function, we can set any number of rows and columns values.

```
# we can set numbers for how many rows and columns will be displayed
pd.set_option('display.min_rows', 10) #default will be 10
pd.set_option('display.max_columns', 20)
```

## 2. Loading Different Data Formats Into a Pandas Data Frame

Pandas is an easy tool for reading and writing different types of files format. Using these tools we can load CSV, Excel, Pdf, JSON, HTML, HDF5, SQL, Google BigQuery, etc file easily.

Here are some methods, I will show you how we can read and write most frequently using file format.

### Reading CSV file

CSV (comma separated file) is the most popular file format. Reading this file we used the `read_csv()` function.

```
# read csv file
```

```
df = pd.read_csv('dataset/online_store_customer_data.csv')
df.head(3)
```

	Transaction_date	Transaction_ID	Gender	Age	Marital_status	State_names	Segment	Employees_status	Payment_method	Referral	Amount_spent
0	1/1/2019	151200	Female	19.0	Single	Kansas	Basic	Unemployment	Other	1.0	2051.36
1	1/1/2019	151201	Male	49.0	Single	Illinois	Basic	self-employed	Card	0.0	544.04
2	1/1/2019	151202	Male	63.0	Married	New Mexico	Basic	workers	PayPal	1.0	1572.60

We can add some common parameters to tweak this function. If we need to skip some first rows in the data frame then we can use `skiprows` a keyword argument. For example, If we want to skip the first rows then we use `skiprows=2`. Similarly, if we don't want to last 2 rows then we can simply use `skipfooter=2`. If we don't want to load the column header then we can use `header=None`.

```
# Loading csv file with skip first 2 rows without header
df_csv = pd.read_csv('dataset/online_store_customer_data.csv',
skiprows=2, header=None)
df_csv.head(3)
```

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
0	1/1/2019	151201	Male	49.0	Single	Illinois	Basic	self-employed	Card	0.0	544.04
1	1/1/2019	151202	Male	63.0	Married	New Mexico	Basic	workers	PayPal	1.0	1572.60
2	1/1/2019	151203	NaN	18.0	Single	Virginia	Platinum	workers	Card	1.0	1199.79

### Read CSV file from URL

For reading the CSV file from URL, you can directly pass the link.

```
# Read csv file from url
url="https://raw.githubusercontent.com/norochalise/pandas-tutorial-
article-2022/main/dataset/online_store_customer_data.csv"
```

```
df_url = pd.read_csv(url)
df_url.head(3)
```

	Transaction_date	Transaction_ID	Gender	Age	Marital_status	State_names	Segment	Employees_status	Payment_method	Referral	Amount_spent
0	1/1/2019	151200	Female	19.0	Single	Kansas	Basic	Unemployment	Other	1.0	2051.36
1	1/1/2019	151201	Male	49.0	Single	Illinois	Basic	self-employed	Card	0.0	544.04
2	1/1/2019	151202	Male	63.0	Married	New Mexico	Basic	workers	PayPal	1.0	1572.60

## Write CSV file

When you want to save a data frame on a CSV file you can simply use `to_csv()` the function. You also need to pass the file name and it will save that file.

```
# saving df_url dataframe to csv file
df_url.to_csv('dataset/csv_from_url.csv')
df_url.to_csv('dataset/demo_text.txt')
```

## Read text file

Reading a plain text file, we can use `read_csv()` the function. In this function, you need to pass the `.txt` file name.

```
# read plain text file
df_txt = pd.read_csv("dataset/demo_text.txt")
```

## Read Excel file

To read an Excel file, we should use `read_excel()` the function of the pandas package. If we have had multiple sheet names then we can pass the sheet name argument with this function.

```
# read excel file
df_excel = pd.read_excel('dataset/excel_file.xlsx', sheet_name='Sheet1')
df_excel
```

	Transaction_date	Transaction_ID	Gender	Age	Marital_status	State_names	Segment	Employees_status	Payment_method	Referral	Amount_spent
0	3/10/2019	151378	Female	25	Single	Wyoming	Platinum	Unemployment	Card	1	2740.57
1	7/2/2019	151751	Female	42	Single	Delaware	Basic	Unemployment	Card	0	977.80
2	6/14/2019	151689	Male	38	Married	Montana	Basic	workers	PayPal	1	2978.21
3	8/5/2019	151849	Male	24	Married	Rhode Island	Basic	workers	Card	1	1157.79

## Write Excel file

We can save our data frame to an excel file same as a CSV file. You can use `to_excel()` function with file name and location.

```
# save dataframe to the excel file
df_url.to_csv('demo.xlsx')
```

## 3. Data preprocessing

Data preprocessing is the process of making raw data to clean data. This is the most crucial part of [data science](#). In this section, we will explore data first then we remove unwanted columns, remove duplicates, handle missing data, etc. After this step, we get clean data from raw data.

### 3.1 Data Exploring

#### Retrieving rows from a data frame.

After the loading data, the first thing we did to look at our data. For this purpose we use `head()` and `tail()` function. The head function will display the first rows and the tail will be the last rows. By default, it shows 5 rows. Suppose we want to display the first 3 rows and the last 6 rows. We can do it this way.

```
# display first 3 rows
df.head(3)
```

	Transaction_date	Transaction_ID	Gender	Age	Marital_status	State_names	Segment	Employees_status	Payment_method	Referral	Amount_spent
0	1/1/2019	151200	Female	19.0	Single	Kansas	Basic	Unemployment	Other	1.0	2051.36
1	1/1/2019	151201	Male	49.0	Single	Illinois	Basic	self-employed	Card	0.0	544.04
2	1/1/2019	151202	Male	63.0	Married	New Mexico	Basic	workers	PayPal	1.0	1572.60

```
# display last 6 rows
df.tail(6)
```

	Transaction_date	Transaction_ID	Gender	Age	Marital_status	State_names	Segment	Employees_status	Payment_method	Referral	Amount_spent
2506	4/30/2021	153694	Male	34.0	Single	Florida	Missing	Employees	Other	1.0	266.62
2507	5/1/2021	153695	Female	57.0	Single	South Carolina	Platinum	self-employed	Card	0.0	150.10
2508	5/1/2021	153696	Female	36.0	Married	Hawaii	Silver	self-employed	PayPal	1.0	708.88
2509	5/1/2021	153697	Male	22.0	Single	South Carolina	Basic	workers	PayPal	1.0	2030.07
2510	5/1/2021	153698	NaN	44.0	Single	New York	Basic	Employees	PayPal	0.0	1909.77
2511	5/1/2021	153699	Male	48.0	Single	California	Silver	workers	PayPal	1.0	1073.15

### Retrieving sample rows from a data frame.

If we want to display sample data then we can use `sample()` a function with the desired number of rows. It will show the desired number of random rows. If we want to take 7 samples we need to pass 7 in the `sample(7)` function.

```
# Display random 7 sample rows
df.sample(7)
```

	Transaction_date	Transaction_ID	Gender	Age	Marital_status	State_names	Segment	Employees_status	Payment_method	Referral	Amount_spent
278	4/7/2019	151466	Male	43.0	Married	Montana	Basic	Unemployment	PayPal	1.0	2681.13
2398	3/25/2021	153586	Male	35.0	Single	Minnesota	Platinum	self-employed	Card	1.0	1167.20
1775	8/22/2020	152963	Male	34.0	Single	Alaska	Basic	workers	PayPal	0.0	867.14
93	2/4/2019	151288	Male	60.0	Married	Rhode Island	Silver	Employees	Card	1.0	841.26
1556	6/6/2020	152744	Female	44.0	Single	New Jersey	Basic	Unemployment	PayPal	0.0	1972.91
58	1/25/2019	151258	Female	32.0	Single	South Carolina	Basic	Employees	Other	NaN	676.70
2144	12/27/2020	153332	Male	67.0	Single	Oklahoma	Platinum	workers	Other	1.0	899.21

### Retrieving information about the data frame

To display **data frames** information we can use `info()` the method. It will display columns data types, counting each column's total non-null values and its memory space.

```
df.info()

<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 2512 entries, 0 to 2511
Data columns (total 11 columns):
 #   Column                Non-Null Count  Dtype
---  -
 0   Transaction_date       2512 non-null   object
 1   Transaction_ID         2512 non-null   int64
 2   Gender                 2484 non-null   object
 3   Age                   2470 non-null   float64
 4   Marital_status         2512 non-null   object
 5   State_names            2512 non-null   object
 6   Segment                2512 non-null   object
 7   Employees_status       2486 non-null   object
 8   Payment_method         2512 non-null   object
 9   Referral               2357 non-null   float64
10  Amount_spent           2270 non-null   float64
dtypes: float64(3), int64(1), object(7)
memory usage: 216.0+ KB
```

Display data types of each column we can use the `dtypes` attribute. We can add `value_counts()` methods in `dtypes` for showing all data types values counting.

```
# display datatypes
df.dtypes
```

```
Transaction_date    object
Transaction_ID      int64
Gender              object
Age                 float64
Marital_status      object
State_names         object
```

```

Segment          object
Employees_status object
Payment_method   object
Referral         float64
Amount_spent     float64
dtype: object

```

```
df.dtypes.value_counts()
```

```

object      7
float64     3
int64       1
dtype: int64

```

### Display the number of rows and columns.

To display the number of rows and columns we use the shape attribute. The first number and last number show the number of rows and columns respectively.

```
df.shape

(2512, 11)
```

### Display columns name and data

To display the columns name of our data frame we use the columns attribute.

```
df.columns

Index(['Transaction_date', 'Transaction_ID', 'Gender', 'Age',
      'Marital_status',
      'State_names', 'Segment', 'Employees_status', 'Payment_method',
      'Referral', 'Amount_spent'],
      dtype='object')
```

If we want to display single or multiple columns data, simply we need to pass column names with a data frame. To display multiple columns of data information, we need to pass the list of columns' names.

```
# display Age columns first 3 rows data
df['Age'].head(3)

0    19.0
1    49.0
2    63.0
Name: Age, dtype: float64
```

```
# display first 4 rows of Age, Transaction_date and Gender columns
df[['Age', 'Transaction_date', 'Gender']].head(4)
```

	Age	Transaction_date	Gender
0	19.0	1/1/2019	Female
1	49.0	1/1/2019	Male
2	63.0	1/1/2019	Male
3	18.0	1/1/2019	NaN

### Retrieving a Range of Rows

If we want to display a particular range of rows we can use slicing. For example, if we want to get 2nd to 6th rows we can simply use df[2:7].

```
# for display 2nd to 6th rows
df[2:7]

# for display starting to 10th
df[:11]
```

```
# for display last two rows
```

```
df[-2:]
```

	Transaction_date	Transaction_ID	Gender	Age	Marital_status	State_names	Segment	Employees_status	Payment_method	Referral	Amount_spent
2510	5/1/2021	153698	NaN	44.0	Single	New York	Basic	Employees	PayPal	0.0	1909.77
2511	5/1/2021	153699	Male	48.0	Single	California	Silver	workers	PayPal	1.0	1073.15

### 3.2 Data Cleaning

After the explore our datasets may need to clean them for better analysis. Data coming in from multiple sources so it's possible to have an error in some values. This is where data cleaning becomes extremely important. In this section, we will delete unwanted columns, rename columns, correct appropriate data types, etc.

#### Delete Columns name

We can use the drop function to delete unwanted columns from the data frame. Don't forget to add inplace = True and axis=1. It will change the value in the data frame.

```
# Drop unwanted columns
```

```
df.drop(['Transaction_ID'], axis=1, inplace=True)
```

#### Change Columns name

For changing columns name we can use rename() function with passing columns dictionary. In a dictionary, we will pass key like an old column name and value as a new desired column name. For example, now we are going to change Transaction\_date and Gender to Date and Sex.

```
# create new df_col dataframe from df.copy() method.
```

```
df_col = df.copy()
```

```
# rename columns name
```

```
df_col.rename(columns={"Transaction_date": "Date", "Gender": "Sex"},  
inplace=True)
```

```
df_col.head(3)
```

	Date	Sex	Age	Marital_status	State_names	Segment	Employees_status	Payment_method	Referral	Amount_spent
0	1/1/2019	Female	19.0	Single	Kansas	Basic	Unemployment	Other	1.0	2051.36
1	1/1/2019	Male	49.0	Single	Illinois	Basic	self-employed	Card	0.0	544.04
2	1/1/2019	Male	63.0	Married	New Mexico	Basic	workers	PayPal	1.0	1572.60

#### Adding a new column to a Data Frame

You may add a new column to an existing pandas data frame just by assigning values to a new column name. For example, the following code creates a third column named new\_col in df\_col data frame:

```
# Add a new_col column which value will be amount_spent * 100
```

```
df_col['new_col'] = df_col['Amount_spent'] * 100
```

```
df_col.head(3)
```

	Date	Sex	Age	Marital_status	State_names	Segment	Employees_status	Payment_method	Referral	Amount_spent	new_col
0	1/1/2019	Female	19.0	Single	Kansas	Basic	Unemployment	Other	1.0	2051.36	205136.0
1	1/1/2019	Male	49.0	Single	Illinois	Basic	self-employed	Card	0.0	544.04	54404.0
2	1/1/2019	Male	63.0	Married	New Mexico	Basic	workers	PayPal	1.0	1572.60	157260.0

#### String value change or replace

We can replace the new value with the old, with .loc() the method with help of the condition. For Example, now we are changing Female to Woman and Male to Man in Sex column.

```
df_col.head(3)
```

	Date	Sex	Age	Marital_status	State_names	Segment	Employees_status	Payment_method	Referral	Amount_spent	new_col
0	1/1/2019	Female	19.0	Single	Kansas	Basic	Unemployment	Other	1.0	2051.36	205136.0
1	1/1/2019	Male	49.0	Single	Illinois	Basic	self-employed	Card	0.0	544.04	54404.0
2	1/1/2019	Male	63.0	Married	New Mexico	Basic	workers	PayPal	1.0	1572.60	157260.0

```
# changing Female to Woman and Male to Man in Sex column.
#first argument in loc function is condition and second one is columns
name.
df_col.loc[df_col.Sex == "Female", 'Sex'] = 'Woman'
df_col.loc[df_col.Sex == "Male", 'Sex'] = 'Man'

df_col.head(3)
```

	Date	Sex	Age	Marital_status	State_names	Segment	Employees_status	Payment_method	Referral	Amount_spent	new_col
0	1/1/2019	Woman	19.0	Single	Kansas	Basic	Unemployment	Other	1.0	2051.36	205136.0
1	1/1/2019	Man	49.0	Single	Illinois	Basic	self-employed	Card	0.0	544.04	54404.0
2	1/1/2019	Man	63.0	Married	New Mexico	Basic	workers	PayPal	1.0	1572.60	157260.0

Now Sex columns values are changed Female to Woman and Male to Man.

## Datatype change

When we deal with different types of data types sometimes it's a tedious task. If we want to work on a date we must need to change this with the exact date format. Otherwise, we get the problem. This task is easy on pandas. We can use `astype()` function to convert one data type to another.

```
df_col.info()

<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 2512 entries, 0 to 2511
Data columns (total 11 columns):
#   Column                Non-Null Count  Dtype
---  ---
0   Date                   2512 non-null  object
1   Sex                    2484 non-null  object
2   Age                    2470 non-null  float64
3   Marital_status        2512 non-null  object
4   State_names            2512 non-null  object
5   Segment                2512 non-null  object
6   Employees_status       2486 non-null  object
7   Payment_method         2512 non-null  object
8   Referral               2357 non-null  float64
9   Amount_spent           2270 non-null  float64
10  new_col                2270 non-null  float64
dtypes: float64(4), object(7)
memory usage: 216.0+ KB
```

In our Date columns, it's object type so now we will convert this to date types, and also we will convert Referral columns float64 to float32.

```
# change object type to datetime64 format
df_col['Date'] = df_col['Date'].astype('datetime64[ns]')

# change float64 to float32 of Referral columns
df_col['Referral'] = df_col['Referral'].astype('float32')

df_col.info()
```

```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 2512 entries, 0 to 2511
Data columns (total 11 columns):
#   Column                Non-Null Count  Dtype
---  ---
0   Date                   2512 non-null  datetime64[ns]
1   Sex                    2484 non-null  object
2   Age                    2470 non-null  float64
```

```

3 Marital_status      2512 non-null object
4 State_names         2512 non-null object
5 Segment             2512 non-null object
6 Employees_status    2486 non-null object
7 Payment_method      2512 non-null object
8 Referral            2357 non-null float32
9 Amount_spent        2270 non-null float64
10 new_col            2270 non-null float64
dtypes: datetime64[ns](1), float32(1), float64(3), object(6)
memory usage: 206.2+ KB

```

### 3.3 Remove duplicate

In the data preprocessing part, we need to remove duplicate entries. For different kinds of reasons sometimes our [data frames](#) have multiple duplicate entries. Removing duplicate entries can be easily done with help of the pandas function. First, we use duplicated() function for identifying duplicate entries then we use drop\_duplicates() for removing them.

```

# Display duplicated entries
df.duplicated().sum()

12

# duplicate rows dispaly, keep arguments will--- 'first', 'last' and
False
duplicate_value = df.duplicated(keep='first')

df.loc[duplicate_value, :]

```

	Transaction_date	Gender	Age	Marital_status	State_names	Segment	Employees_status	Payment_method	Referral	Amount_spent
64	1/25/2019	Male	73.0	Married	West Virginia	Basic	Employees	PayPal	0.0	1397.09
65	1/26/2019	Male	55.0	Married	Kansas	Basic	Employees	Other	1.0	1277.64
66	1/26/2019	Female	72.0	Married	Iowa	Silver	Unemployment	PayPal	NaN	515.77
67	1/26/2019	Male	15.0	Married	South Carolina	Basic	self-employed	Other	1.0	790.10
68	1/27/2019	Female	63.0	Single	Texas	Gold	Employees	Card	1.0	1218.56
109	2/6/2019	Male	60.0	Married	Utah	Silver	Unemployment	Other	1.0	433.20
110	2/7/2019	Female	45.0	Married	Missouri	Platinum	workers	Other	1.0	929.89
111	2/8/2019	Male	33.0	Single	Arizona	Silver	workers	PayPal	0.0	2560.26
112	2/8/2019	Male	24.0	Married	South Carolina	Basic	Unemployment	Other	0.0	NaN
113	2/8/2019	Female	53.0	Single	Colorado	Basic	self-employed	Other	1.0	1888.69
114	2/8/2019	Female	70.0	Married	New Hampshire	Missing	Employees	Card	1.0	685.49
115	2/8/2019	Male	16.0	Married	Nebraska	Basic	workers	PayPal	1.0	1264.73

```

# dropping ALL duplicate values
df.drop_duplicates(keep = 'first', inplace = True)

```

### 3.4 Handling missing values

Handling [missing values](#) in the common task in the data preprocessing part. For many reasons most of the time we will encounter [missing values](#). Without dealing with this we can't do the proper model building. For this section first, we will find out missing values then we decided how to handle them. We can handle this by removing affected columns or rows or replacing appropriate values there.

#### Display missing values information

For displaying missing values we can use isna() function. Counting total missing values in each column in ascending order we use .sum() and sort\_values(ascending=False) function.

```

df.isna().sum().sort_values(ascending=False)

Amount_spent      241
Referral           154
Age                42
Gender            28
Employees_status   26
Transaction_date    0
Marital_status     0

```



```

State_names      0
Segment          0
Payment_method   0
dtype: int64

```

### Delete Nan rows

If we have less Nan value then we can delete entire rows by dropna() function. For this function, we will add columns name in subset parameter.

```

# df copy to df_copy
df_new = df.copy()

#Delete Nan rows of Job Columns
df_new.dropna(subset = ["Employees_status"], inplace=True)

```

### Delete entire columns

If we have a large number of Nan values in particular columns then dropping those columns might be a good decision rather than imputing.

```

df_new.drop(columns=['Amount_spent'], inplace=True)

df_new.isna().sum().sort_values(ascending=False)

Referral      153
Age           42
Gender        27
Transaction_date  0
Marital_status  0
State_names   0
Segment       0
Employees_status  0
Payment_method  0
dtype: int64

```

### Impute missing values

Sometimes if we delete entire columns that will be not the appropriate approach. Delete columns can affect our model building because we will lose our main features. For imputing we have many approaches so here are some of the most popular techniques.

**Method 1**—Impute fixed values like 0, 'Unknown' or 'Missing' etc. We impute Unknown in Gender columns

```

df['Gender'].fillna('Unknown', inplace=True)

```

**Method 2**—Impute Mean, Median, and Mode

```

# Impute Mean in Amount_spent columns
mean_amount_spent = df['Amount_spent'].mean()
df['Amount_spent'].fillna(mean_amount_spent, inplace=True)

#Impute Median in Age column
median_age = df['Age'].median()
df['Age'].fillna(median_age, inplace=True)

# Impute Mode in Employees_status column
mode_emp = df['Employees_status'].mode().iloc[0]
df['Employees_status'].fillna(mode_emp, inplace=True)

```

**Method 3**—Imputing forward fill or backfill by ffill and bfill. In ffill missing value impute from the value of the above row and for bfill it's taken from the below rows value.

```

df['Referral'].fillna(method='ffill', inplace=True)

```

```
df.isna().sum().sum()
```

```
0
```

Now we deal with all missing values with different methods. So now we haven't any null values.

#### 4. Memory management

When we work on large datasets, There we get one big issue is a memory problem. We need too large resources for dealing with this. But there are some methods in pandas to deal with this. Here are some methods or strategies to deal with this problem with help of pandas.

##### Change datatype

From changing one datatype to another we can save lots of memory. One popular trick is to change objects to the category it will reduce our data frame memory drastically.

First, we will copy our previous df data frame to df\_memory and we will calculate the total memory usage of this data frame using memory\_usage(deep=True) method.

```
df_memory = df.copy()

memory_usage = df_memory.memory_usage(deep=True)
memory_usage_in_mbs = round(np.sum(memory_usage / 1024 ** 2), 3)
print(f"    Total    memory    taking    df_memory    dataframe    is    :
{memory_usage_in_mbs:.2f} MB ")
```

```
Total memory taking df_memory dataframe is : 1.15 MB
```

##### Change object to category data types

Our data frame is small in size. Which is 1.15 MB. Now We will convert our object datatype to category.

```
# Object datatype to category convert
df_memory[df_memory.select_dtypes(['object']).columns] =
df_memory.select_dtypes(['object']).apply(lambda x:
x.astype('category'))
```

```
# convert object to category
df_memory.info(memory_usage="deep")
```

```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
Int64Index: 2500 entries, 0 to 2511
Data columns (total 10 columns):
#   Column          Non-Null Count  Dtype
---  -
0   Transaction_date  2500 non-null   category
1   Gender           2500 non-null   category
2   Age              2500 non-null   float64
3   Marital_status   2500 non-null   category
4   State_names      2500 non-null   category
5   Segment          2500 non-null   category
6   Employees_status 2500 non-null   category
7   Payment_method   2500 non-null   category
8   Referral         2500 non-null   float64
9   Amount_spent     2500 non-null   float64
dtypes: category(7), float64(3)
memory usage: 189.1 KB
```

Now its reduce 1.15 megabytes to 216.6 KB. It's almost reduced 5.5 times.

##### Change int64 or float64 to int 32, 16, or 8

By default, pandas store numeric values to int64 or float64. Which takes more memory. If we have to store small numbers then we can change to 64 to 32, 16, and so on. For example, our Referral columns have only 0 and 1 values so for that we don't need to store at float64. so now we change it to float16.

```
# Change Referral column datatypes
df_memory['Referral'] = df_memory['Referral'].astype('float32')
```

```
# convert object to category
df_memory.info(memory_usage="deep")
```

```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
Int64Index: 2500 entries, 0 to 2511
Data columns (total 10 columns):
#   Column          Non-Null Count  Dtype
---  -
0   Transaction_date 2500 non-null   category
1   Gender           2500 non-null   category
2   Age              2500 non-null   float64
3   Marital_status   2500 non-null   category
4   State_names      2500 non-null   category
5   Segment          2500 non-null   category
6   Employees_status 2500 non-null   category
7   Payment_method   2500 non-null   category
8   Referral         2500 non-null   float32
9   Amount_spent     2500 non-null   float64
dtypes: category(7), float32(1), float64(2)
memory usage: 179.3 KB
```

After changing only one column's data types we reduce 216 KB to 179 KB.

**Note: Before changing datatype please make sure it's consequences.**

## 5. Data Analysis

### 5.1. Calculating Basic statistical measurement

In the data analysis part, we need to calculate some statistical measurements. For calculating this pandas have multiple useful functions. The first useful function is describe() the function it will display most of the basic statistical measurements. For this function, you can add .T for transforming the display. It will make it easy to look at when there are multiple columns.

```
df.describe().T
```

	count	mean	std	min	25%	50%	75%	max
Age	2500.0	46.63600	18.020516	15.00	32.0000	47.00000	62.000	78.00
Referral	2500.0	0.65480	0.475529	0.00	0.0000	1.00000	1.000	1.00
Amount_spent	2500.0	1419.59178	836.011771	2.09	734.8625	1419.59178	1957.025	2999.98

The above function only shows numerical column information. count shows how many values are there. mean shows the average value of each column. std shows the standard deviation of columns, which measures the amount of variation or dispersion of a set of values. min is the minimum value of each column. 25%, 50%, and 75% show total values lie in that groups, and finally max shows maximum values of that columns.

We know already above code will display only numeric columns basic statistical information. for object or category columns we can use describe(include=object) .

```
df.describe(include=object).T
```

	count	unique	top	freq
Transaction_date	2500	810	8/29/2020	12
Gender	2500	3	Female	1351
Marital_status	2500	2	Married	1464
State_names	2500	50	Illinois	67
Segment	2500	5	Basic	1130
Employees_status	2500	4	Employees	968
Payment_method	2500	3	PayPal	1164

The above information, count shows how many values are there. unique is how many values are unique in that column. The top is the highest number of values lying in that category. freq shows how many values frequently lie on that top values.

We can calculate the mean, median, mode, maximum values, minimum values of individual columns we simply use these functions.

```
# Calculate Mean
mean = df['Age'].mean()

# Calculate Median
median = df['Age'].median()

#Calculate Mode
mode = df['Age'].mode().iloc[0]

# Calculate standard deviation
std = df['Age'].std()

# Calculate Minimum values
minimum = df['Age'].min()

# Calculate Maximum values
maximum = df.Age.max()

print(f" Mean of Age : {mean}")
print(f" Median of Age : {median}")
print(f" Mode of Age : {mode}")
print(f" Standard deviation of Age : {std:.2f}")
print(f" Maximum of Age : {maximum}")
print(f" Menimum of Age : {minimum}")

Mean of Age : 46.636
Median of Age : 47.0
Mode of Age : 47.0
Standard deviation of Age : 18.02
Maximum of Age : 78.0
Menimum of Age : 15.0
```

In pandas, we can display the [correlation](#) of different numeric columns. For this, we can use .corr() function.

```
# calculate correlation
df.corr()
```

	Age	Referral	Amount_spent
Age	1.000000	0.012042	-0.021030
Referral	0.012042	1.000000	0.002344
Amount_spent	-0.021030	0.002344	1.000000

## 5.2 Basic built-in function for data analysis

In pandas, there are so many useful basic functions available for data analysis. In this section, we are exploring some of the most frequently used functions.

### Number of unique values in the category column

To display the sum of all unique values we use `nunique()` the function of desired columns name. For example, display total unique values in `State_names` columns we use this function:

```
# for display how many unique values are there in State_names column
df['State_names'].nunique()
```

```
50
```

### Shows all unique values

To display all unique values we use `unique()` function with the desired column name.

```
# for display unique values of State_names column
df['State_names'].unique()

array(['Kansas', 'Illinois', 'New Mexico', 'Virginia', 'Connecticut',
       'Hawaii', 'Florida', 'Vermont', 'California', 'Colorado', 'Iowa',
       'South Carolina', 'New York', 'Maine', 'Maryland', 'Missouri',
       'North Dakota', 'Ohio', 'Nebraska', 'Montana', 'Indiana',
       'Wisconsin', 'Alabama', 'Arkansas', 'Pennsylvania',
       'New Hampshire', 'Washington', 'Texas', 'Kentucky',
       'Massachusetts', 'Wyoming', 'Louisiana', 'North Carolina',
       'Rhode Island', 'West Virginia', 'Tennessee', 'Oregon', 'Alaska',
       'Oklahoma', 'Nevada', 'New Jersey', 'Michigan', 'Utah',
       'Arizona',
       'South Dakota', 'Georgia', 'Idaho', 'Mississippi', 'Minnesota',
       'Delaware'], dtype=object)
```

### Counts of unique values

To show unique values count we use `value_counts()` method. This function will display unique values with a number of each value that occurs. For example, if we want to know how many unique values of `Gender` columns with value frequency number of then we use this method below.

```
df['Gender'].value_counts()
```

```
Female      1351
Male        1121
Unknown       28
Name: Gender, dtype: int64
```

If we want to show with the percentage of occurrence rather number than we use `normalize=True` argument in `value_counts()` function

```
# Calculate percentage of each category
df['Gender'].value_counts(normalize=True)
```

```
Female      0.5404
Male        0.4484
Unknown     0.0112
Name: Gender, dtype: float64
```

```
df['State_names'].value_counts().sort_values(ascending = False).head(20)
```

```
Illinois      67
Georgia       64
Massachusetts  63
Maine         62
Kentucky      59
Minnesota     59
Delaware      56
Missouri      56
```

```

New York      55
New Mexico    55
Arkansas      55
California    55
Arizona       55
Nevada        55
Vermont       54
New Jersey    53
Oregon        53
Florida       53
West Virginia 53
Washington    52
Name: State_names, dtype: int64

```

## Sort values

If we want to sort data frames by particular columns, we need to use `sort_values()` the method. We can use sort by ascending or descending order. By default, it's in ascending order. If we want to use descending order then simply we need to pass `ascending=False` argument in `sort_values()` the function.

```

# Sort Values by State_names
df.sort_values(by=['State_names']).head(3)

```

	Transaction_date	Gender	Age	Marital_status	State_names	Segment	Employees_status	Payment_method	Referral	Amount_spent
1639	7/6/2020	Female	28.0	Single	Alabama	Gold	Employees	PayPal	0.0	1706.13
28	1/12/2019	Male	75.0	Married	Alabama	Basic	self-employed	PayPal	1.0	233.05
2001	11/2/2020	Female	47.0	Married	Alabama	Gold	Employees	Other	0.0	1954.13

For sorting our data frame by `Amount_spent` with ascending order:

```

# Sort Values Amount_spent with ascending order
df.sort_values(by=['Amount_spent']).head(3)

```

	Transaction_date	Gender	Age	Marital_status	State_names	Segment	Employees_status	Payment_method	Referral	Amount_spent
2468	4/18/2021	Female	73.0	Married	Michigan	Gold	Employees	PayPal	1.0	2.09
568	7/4/2019	Male	46.0	Single	South Carolina	Gold	workers	PayPal	0.0	2.16
2401	3/25/2021	Female	60.0	Single	Maryland	Silver	Employees	PayPal	1.0	2.84

For sorting our data frame by `Amount_spent` with descending order:

```

# Sort Values Amount_spent with descending order
df.sort_values(by=['Amount_spent'], ascending=False).head(3)

```

	Transaction_date	Gender	Age	Marital_status	State_names	Segment	Employees_status	Payment_method	Referral	Amount_spent
17	1/7/2019	Female	77.0	Married	New Mexico	Platinum	workers	Card	0.0	2999.98
485	6/7/2019	Male	65.0	Married	Arizona	Gold	self-employed	PayPal	1.0	2998.62
2279	2/15/2021	Female	78.0	Single	Arizona	Silver	Employees	PayPal	1.0	2997.21

Alternatively, We can use `nlargest()` and `nsmallest()` functions for displaying largest and smallest values with desired numbers. for example, If we want to display the 4 largest `Amount_spent` rows then we use this:

```

# nlargest
df.nlargest(4, 'Amount_spent').head(10) # first argument is how many
rows you want to displly and second one is columns name

```

	Transaction_date	Gender	Age	Marital_status	State_names	Segment	Employees_status	Payment_method	Referral	Amount_spent
17	1/7/2019	Female	77.0	Married	New Mexico	Platinum	workers	Card	0.0	2999.98
485	6/7/2019	Male	65.0	Married	Arizona	Gold	self-employed	PayPal	1.0	2998.62
2279	2/15/2021	Female	78.0	Single	Arizona	Silver	Employees	PayPal	1.0	2997.21
589	7/13/2019	Male	51.0	Single	North Carolina	Missing	Employees	PayPal	1.0	2997.15

For 3 smallest `Amount_spent` rows

```

# nsmallest
df.nsmallest(3, 'Age').head(10)

```

	Transaction_date	Gender	Age	Marital_status	State_names	Segment	Employees_status	Payment_method	Referral	Amount_spent
33	1/14/2019	Male	15.0	Married	Missouri	Gold	self-employed	Card	1.0	628.93
54	1/23/2019	Male	15.0	Married	Illinois	Basic	Employees	Card	1.0	2690.18
62	1/26/2019	Male	15.0	Married	South Carolina	Basic	self-employed	Other	1.0	790.10

## Conditional queries on Data

If we want to apply a single condition then first we will give one condition then we pass on the data frame. For example, if we want to display all rows where Payment\_method is PayPal then we use this:

```
# filtering - Only show Paypal users
condition = df['Payment_method'] == 'PayPal'
df[condition].head(4)
```

	Transaction_date	Gender	Age	Marital_status	State_names	Segment	Employees_status	Payment_method	Referral	Amount_spent
2	1/1/2019	Male	63.0	Married	New Mexico	Basic	workers	PayPal	1.0	1572.60
5	1/3/2019	Male	71.0	Single	Hawaii	Basic	Employees	PayPal	1.0	2922.66
6	1/3/2019	Female	34.0	Married	New Mexico	Platinum	Employees	PayPal	1.0	1481.42
7	1/3/2019	Male	37.0	Married	Connecticut	Basic	workers	PayPal	1.0	1149.55

We can apply multiple conditional queries like before. For example, if we want to display all Married female people who lived in New York then we use the following:

```
# first create 3 condition
female_person = df['Gender'] == 'Female'
married_person = df['Marital_status'] == 'Married'
loc_newyork = df['State_names'] == 'New York'

# we passing condition on our dataframe
df[female_person & married_person & loc_newyork].head(4)
```

	Transaction_date	Gender	Age	Marital_status	State_names	Segment	Employees_status	Payment_method	Referral	Amount_spent
164	3/1/2019	Female	64.0	Married	New York	Basic	Employees	PayPal	1.0	1581.77
180	3/7/2019	Female	20.0	Married	New York	Basic	workers	PayPal	1.0	2694.20
254	3/31/2019	Female	78.0	Married	New York	Missing	Employees	PayPal	1.0	2959.54
282	4/8/2019	Female	32.0	Married	New York	Gold	Unemployment	Other	1.0	522.24

## 5.3 Summarizing or grouping data

### Group by

In Pandas group by function is more popular in data analysis parts. It allows to split and group data, apply a function, and combine the results. We can understand this function and use by below example:

**Grouping by one column:** For example, if we want to find maximum values of Age and Amount\_spent by Gender then we can use this:

```
df[['Age', 'Amount_spent']].groupby(df['Gender']).max()
```

	Age	Amount_spent
Gender		
Female	78.0	2999.98
Male	78.0	2998.62
Unknown	72.0	2909.85

To find mean, count, and max values of Age and Amount\_spent by Gender then we can use agg() function with groupby().

```
# Group by one columns
state_gender_res =
df[['Age', 'Gender', 'Amount_spent']].groupby(['Gender']).agg(['count',
'mean', 'max'])
state_gender_res
```

	Age			Amount_spent		
	count	mean	max	count	mean	max
Gender						
Female	1351	46.816432	78.0	1351	1429.471760	2999.98
Male	1121	46.525424	78.0	1121	1409.420962	2998.62
Unknown	28	42.357143	72.0	28	1350.078699	2909.85

**Grouping by multiple columns:** To find total count, maximum and minimum values of Amount\_spent by State\_names, Gender, and Payment\_method then we can pass these columns names under groupby() function and add .agg() with count, mean, max argument.

```
#Group By multiple columns
state_gender_res =
df[['State_names', 'Gender', 'Payment_method', 'Amount_spent']].groupby([
'State_names', 'Gender', 'Payment_method']).agg(['count', 'min', 'max'])
state_gender_res.head(12)
```

State_names	Gender	Payment_method	Amount_spent		
			count	min	max
Alabama	Female	Card	8	413.11	2749.37
		Other	6	851.25	2789.52
		PayPal	6	77.90	2520.85
	Male	Card	6	221.17	2735.65
		Other	4	459.47	1691.62
		PayPal	11	87.88	2876.36
	Unknown	PayPal	1	1716.37	1716.37
Alaska	Female	Card	6	141.50	1988.38
		Other	8	489.16	2970.00
		PayPal	10	462.96	2615.89
	Male	Card	1	2497.31	2497.31
		Other	8	588.88	2977.82

## Cross Tabulation (Cross tab)

Cross tabulation(also referred to as cross tab) is a method to quantitatively analyze the relationship between multiple variables. Also known as contingency tables. It will help to understand the correlation between different variables. For creating this table pandas have a built-in function crosstab().

For creating a simple cross tab between Marital\_status and Payment\_method columns we just use crosstab() with both column names.

```
pd.crosstab(df.Marital_status, df.Payment_method)
```

Marital_status	Payment_method		
	Card	Other	PayPal
Married	440	357	667
Single	307	232	497

We can include subtotals by margins parameter:

```
pd.crosstab(df.Marital_status, df.Payment_method, margins=True,
margins_name="Total")
```

Marital_status	Payment_method			
	Card	Other	PayPal	Total
Married	440	357	667	1464
Single	307	232	497	1036
Total	747	589	1164	2500

If We want a display with percentage than normalize=True parameter help

```
pd.crosstab(df.Marital_status, df.Payment_method, normalize=True,
margins=True, margins_name="Total")
```

Marital_status	Payment_method			
	Card	Other	PayPal	Total
Married	0.1760	0.1428	0.2668	0.5856
Single	0.1228	0.0928	0.1988	0.4144
Total	0.2988	0.2356	0.4656	1.0000



In these cross tab features, we can pass multiple columns names for grouping and analyzing data. For instance, If we want to see how the Payment\_method and Employees\_status are distributed by Marital\_status then we will pass these columns' names in crosstab() function and it will show below.

```
pd.crosstab(df.Marital_status, [df.Payment_method, df.Employees_status])
```

Payment_method	Card				Other				PayPal			
	Employees_status	Unemployment	self-employed	workers	Employees	Unemployment	self-employed	workers	Employees	Unemployment	self-employed	workers
Marital_status												
Married	185	38	81	136	127	39	78	113	255	66	120	216
Single	117	37	57	96	96	17	43	76	178	55	106	156

## 6. Data Visualization

Visualization is the key to data analysis. The most popular python package for visualization is matplotlib and seaborn but sometimes pandas will be handy for you. Pandas also provide some visualization plots easily. For the basic analysis part, it will be easy to use. For this section, we are exploring some different types of plots using pandas. Here are the plots.

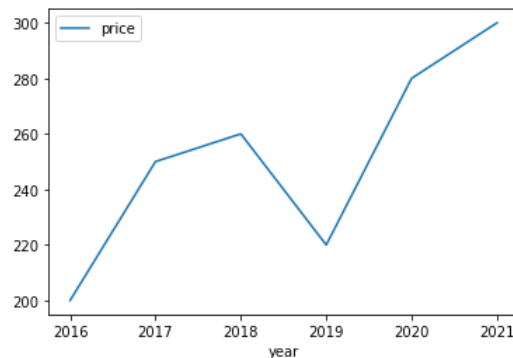
### 6.1 Line plot

A line plot is the simplest of all graphical plots. A line plot is utilized to follow changes over a continuous-time and show information as a series. Line charts are ideal for comparing multiple variables and visualizing trends for single and multiple variables.

For creating a line plot in pandas we use .plot() two columns' names for the argument. For example, we create a line plot from one dummy dataset.

```
dict_line = {
    'year': [2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021],
    'price': [200, 250, 260, 220, 280, 300]
}
df_line = pd.DataFrame(dict_line)

# use plot() method on the dataframe
df_line.plot('year', 'price');
```



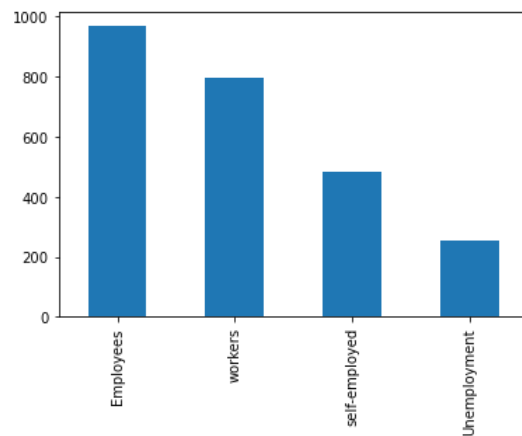
The above line chart shows prices over a different time. It shows like price trend.

### 6.2 Bar plot

A bar plot is also known as a bar chart shows quantitative or qualitative values for different category items. In a bar, plot data are represented in the form of bars. Bars length or height are used to represent the quantitative value for each item. Bar plot can be plotted horizontally or vertically. For creating these plots look below.

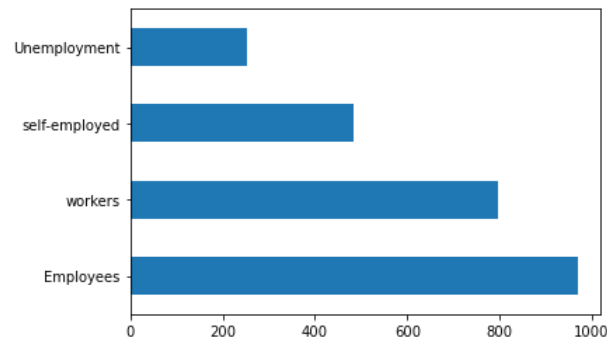
**For horizontal bar:**

```
df['Employees_status'].value_counts().plot(kind='bar');
```



**For vertical bar:**

```
df['Employees_status'].value_counts().plot(kind='barh');
```

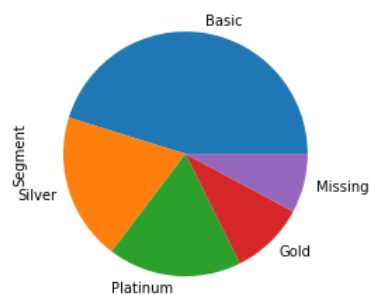


### 6.3 Pie plot

A pie plot is also known as a pie chart. A pie plot is a circular graph that represents the total value with its components. The area of a circle represents the total value and the different sectors of the circle represent the different parts. In this plot, the data are expressed as percentages. Each component is expressed as a percentage of the total value.

In pandas for creating pie plot. We use kind=pie in plot() function in data frame column or series.

```
df['Segment'].value_counts().plot(
    kind='pie');
```

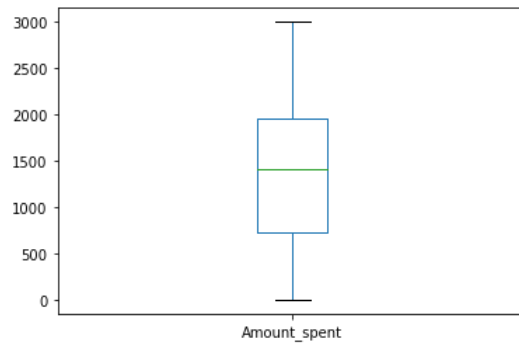


### 6.4 Box Plot

A box plot is also known as a box and whisker plot. This plot is used to show the distribution of a variable based on its quartiles. Box plot displays the five-number summary of a set of data. The five-number summary is the minimum, first quartile, median, third quartile, and maximum. It will also be popular to identify outliers.

We can plot this by one column or multiple columns. For multiple columns, we need to pass columns name in y variable as a list.

```
df.plot(y=['Amount_spent'], kind='box');
```

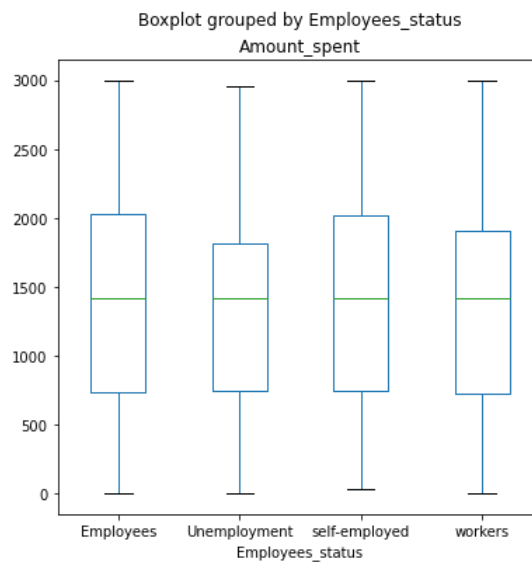


In a box plot, we can plot the distribution of categorical variables against a numerical variable and compare them. Let's plot it with the Employees\_status and Amount\_spent columns with pandas boxplot() method:

```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
```

```
np.warnings.filterwarnings('ignore',  
category=np.VisibleDeprecationWarning)  
fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(6,6))
```

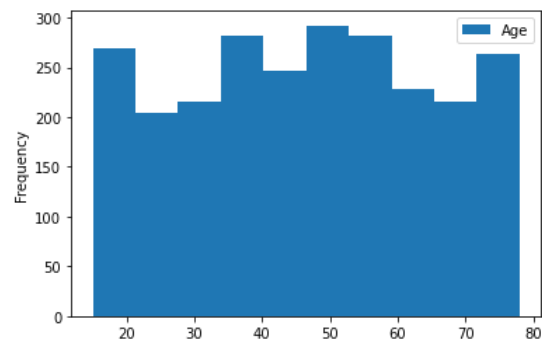
```
df.boxplot(by = 'Employees_status', column = ['Amount_spent'], ax=ax, grid  
= False);
```



## 6.5 Histogram

A histogram shows the frequency and distribution of quantitative measurement across grouped values for data items. It is commonly used in [statistics](#) to show how many of a certain type of variable occurs within a specific range or bucket. Below we will plot a histogram for looking at Age distribution.

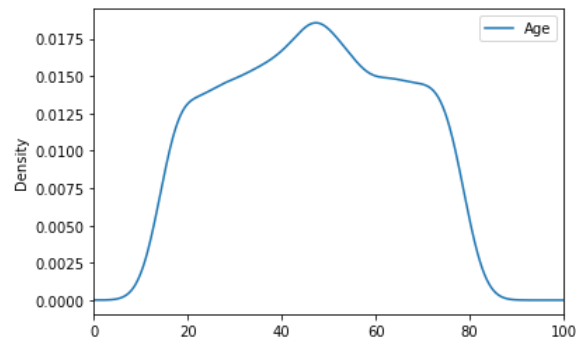
```
df.plot(  
    y='Age',  
    kind='hist',  
    bins=10  
);
```



## 6.6 KDE plot

A kernel density estimate (KDE) plot is a method for visualizing the distribution of observations in a data set, analogous to a histogram. KDE represents the data using a continuous probability density curve in one or more dimensions.

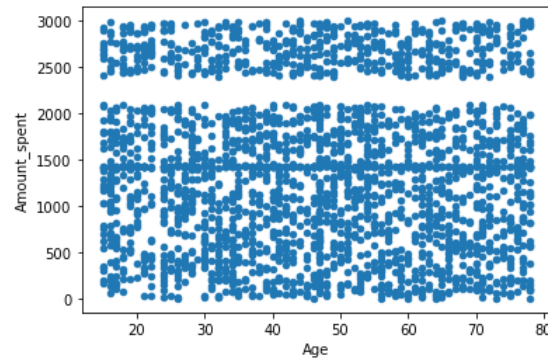
```
df.plot(
    y='Age',
    xlim=(0, 100),
    kind='kde'
);
```



## 6.7 Scatter plot

A scatter plot is used to observe and show relationships between two quantitative variables for different category items. Each member of the data set gets plotted as a point whose x-y coordinates relate to its values for the two variables. Below we will plot a scatter plot to display relationships between Age and Amount\_spent columns.

```
df.plot(
    x='Age',
    y='Amount_spent',
    kind='scatter'
);
```



## 7. Final Thoughts

In this article, we know how pandas can be used to read, preprocess, analyze, and visualize data. It can be also used for memory management for fast computing with fewer resources. The main motive of this article is to help peoples who are curious to learn pandas for data analysis.