Pandas & Matplotlib

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Before We Start

Install Pandas and Matplotlib
pip install pandas matplotlib

- A Python Package used for data manipulation and analysis
- Common data structures are DataFrames and Series
- Commonly used functions
 - pd.read csv(file path): Read a CSV file
 - pd.read_excel(file_path): Read an Excel file
 - pd.read json(file path): Read an JSON data
 - pd.Dataframe(data): Convert data to DataFrame
 - data is usually a dictionary
 - df.to_csv(file_path): Save the DataFrame to a CSV file

- DataFrame-related functions for data inspection:
 - df.head(n): shows the first n rows of data (default 5)
 - df.tail(n): shows the last n rows of data
 - df.info(): summarizes DataFrame structure
 - df.describe(): provides statistical summary

- DataFrame-related functions for data manipulation:
 - df.drop(columns = [col]): Removes specified columns
 - df.dropna(): Drop rows with missing values
 - df.fillna(value): Replace missing values with a specified value
 - df.sort values(by = 'col'): Sorts df by a column
 - df.groupby('col'): Groups data by a column for aggregation
 - df.merge(df2, on = 'key'): Merges 2 df on a common column
 - df.pivot_table(): Creates a pivot table for summarizing data

- DataFrame-related functions for filtering and selction:
 - df.loc[]: Accesses rows/columns by labels
 - df.iloc[]: Accesses rows/columns by integer indices
 - df[df['col'] > value]: Filters rows based on a condition

- A Python library for visualization
- Most commonly used module is pyplot
 - import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
- Often used with Pandas and NumPy for visualizing data

- Commonly used plt functions for plot creation:
 - plt.plot(x, y): Creates a line plot
 - plt.scatter(x, y): Creates a scatter plot
 - plt.bar(x, height): Creates a bar chart
 - plt.hist(data): Plots a histogram
 - plt.pie(sizes): Creates a pie chart

- Commonly used plt functions for plot customization:
 - plt.xlabel(), plt.ylabel(): Set x- and y- axes labels
 - plt.title(): Set the plot title
 - plt.legend(): Displays a legend
 - Legend stands for names and their related icon in the plot
 - plt.grid(True): Add a grid to the plot
 - plt.xticks(), plt.yticks(): Customize axis ticks (unit)

- Commonly used plt functions for figure and subplot:
 - plt.figure(figsize = (w, h)): Creates a new figure with specified size
 - plt.subplot(rows, cols, index): Adds a subplot to a grid
 - plt.tightlayout(): Adjusts subplot spacing

- Commonly used plt functions for displaying and saving:
 - plt.show(): Displays the plot
 - press q to close the window if you run python file
 - in jupyter notebook, the plot will show under the code block
 - plt.savefig(file_path): Saves the plot to a file



Today's Work

- Read a CSV file
- Make a analysis
- Ask TAs for demo!