

Pandas Series – Fully Functional Notes

1. What is a Series?

A **Series** is a **1-dimensional labeled array** in Pandas capable of holding any data type: int, float, string, objects, etc.

import pandas as pd

import numpy as np

2. Creating Series

From List

```
data = [10, 20, 30]
```

s = pd.Series(data)

From List with Custom Index

```
s = pd.Series([10, 20, 30], index=["a", "b", "c"])
```

From Dictionary

```
data = {"a": 100, "b": 200, "c": 300}
s = pd.Series(data)
```

From NumPy Array

```
arr = np.array([1, 2, 3])
```

s = pd.Series(arr)

From CSV (Single Column)

```
s = pd.read_csv("file.csv", squeeze=True)
```

3. Important Attributes

Attribute Description

s.size Number of elements

s.dtype Data type of elements

s.index Returns index (labels)

s.values Returns underlying NumPy array

s.name Name of the Series

s.is_unique Returns True if all values are unique

4. Useful Methods

Basic Methods

s.head(n) # First n elements

s.tail(n) # Last n elements

s.sample(n) # Random n elements

s.unique() # Unique values

s.nunique() # Number of unique values

s.value_counts() # Frequency of each unique value

Sorting

s.sort_values() # Sort by values (ascending)

s.sort_values(ascending=False)

s.sort index() # Sort by index

5. Mathematical & Statistical Methods

Aggregation

s.count() # Non-null values

s.sum() # Sum of values

s.prod() # Product of values

```
s.mean() # Mean
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s.median() # Median

s.mode() # Most frequent value(s)

s.min() # Minimum

s.max() # Maximum

Summary

s.describe()

count, mean, std, min, 25%, 50%, 75%, max

• 6. Indexing & Selection

Access by Label

s['a']

Access by Position

s[0]

✓ Slicing

s[1:4] # By position

s['a':'c'] # By label

✓ Using .loc and .iloc

s.loc['b'] # Label-based

s.iloc[2] # Integer position

7. Modifying Series

Change Value

s['a'] = 500

Add New Value

s['new'] = 1000

Delete Value

s.drop('b') # Returns a new series

8. Python Functional Compatibility

Works with:

• 9. Boolean Indexing (Filtering)

```
s[s > 50] # Values greater than 50 s[(s > 20) \& (s < 100)] # Multiple conditions
```

10. Handling Missing Values (Extra)

Detect Missing

```
s.isna() # Returns Boolean Series
s.notna()
```

• Fill Missing

```
s.fillna(0)
s.fillna(method='ffill')
```

Drop Missing

s.dropna()

11. Series with Custom Functions

Apply Custom Logic

```
def convert(val):
    return val * 2

s.apply(convert)
# or
s.apply(lambda x: x ** 2)
```

12. Plotting Series

```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
s.plot() # Line plot
s.value_counts().plot(kind='bar') # Bar chart
plt.show()
```

13. Converting Series

To List / Dict / NumPy

```
s.to_list()
s.to_dict()
s.to_numpy()
```

14. Comparison and Logic Ops

```
s == 100
s > 50
s.equals(another_series)
```

15. String Operations (for string series)

```
s.str.upper()
s.str.contains("abc")
s.str.replace("old", "new")
```

16. DateTime Support (Extra)

```
s = pd.Series(pd.date_range("2024-01-01", periods=5))
```

s.dt.day

s.dt.month