

7 - Pandas-Indexes

March 22, 2023

Table of Contents

1 Pandas loc and iloc for selecting data

1.1 1. Differences between loc and iloc

1.2 2. Selecting via a single value

1.3 3. Selecting via a list of values

1.4 4. Selecting a range of data via slice

1.5 5. Selecting via conditions and callable

1.5.1 5.2 Conditions

1.5.2 5.2 Callable

1.6 6. loc and iloc are interchangeable when labels are 0-based integers

1 Pandas loc and iloc for selecting data

This is a notebook for the medium article [How to use loc and iloc for selecting data in Pandas](#)

Please check out article for instructions

License: [BSD 2-Clause](#)

```
[1]: import pandas as pd
```

```
[2]: data = {
      'Weather': ['Sunny', 'Sunny', 'Sunny', 'Cloudy', 'Shower', 'Shower', 'Sunny'],
      'Temperature': [78, 76, 78, 68, 70, 71, 82],
      'Wind': [13, 28, 16, 11, 26, 27, 20],
      'Humidity': [30, 96, 20, 22, 79, 62, 10],
    }
df = pd.DataFrame(data, index = ['Mon', 'Tue', 'Wed', 'Thu', 'Fri', 'Sat', 'Sun'])
df
```

```
[2]:      Weather  Temperature  Wind  Humidity
Mon    Sunny           78     13         30
Tue    Sunny           76     28         96
```

Wed	Sunny	78	16	20
Thu	Cloudy	68	11	22
Fri	Shower	70	26	79
Sat	Shower	71	27	62
Sun	Sunny	82	20	10

1.1 1. Differences between loc and iloc

The main distinction between `loc` and `iloc` is: * `loc` is label-based, which means that you have to specify rows and columns based on their row and column labels. * `iloc` is integer position-based, so you have to specify rows and columns by their integer position values (0-based integer position).

1.2 2. Selecting via a single value

To get Fridays' temperature

```
[3]: # Pass label to `loc`
df.loc['Fri', 'Temperature']
```

```
[3]: 70
```

```
[4]: # The equivalent `iloc` statement should take row number 4 and column number 1
df.iloc[4, 1]
```

```
[4]: 70
```

Use `:` to return all data

```
[5]: # To get all rows
df.loc[:, 'Temperature']
```

```
[5]: Mon    78
     Tue    76
     Wed    78
     Thu    68
     Fri    70
     Sat    71
     Sun    82
     Name: Temperature, dtype: int64
```

```
[6]: # The equivalent `iloc` statement
df.iloc[:, 1]
```

```
[6]: Mon    78
     Tue    76
     Wed    78
     Thu    68
     Fri    70
```

```
Sat    71
Sun    82
Name: Temperature, dtype: int64
```

```
[7]: # To get all columns
df.loc['Fri', :]
```

```
[7]: Weather      Shower
Temperature      70
Wind             26
Humidity         79
Name: Fri, dtype: object
```

```
[8]: # The equivalent `iloc` statement
df.iloc[4, :]
```

```
[8]: Weather      Shower
Temperature      70
Wind             26
Humidity         79
Name: Fri, dtype: object
```

1.3 3. Selecting via a list of values

```
[9]: # Multiple rows
df.loc[['Thu', 'Fri'], 'Temperature']
```

```
[9]: Thu    68
Fri    70
Name: Temperature, dtype: int64
```

```
[10]: # Multiple columns
df.loc['Fri', ['Temperature', 'Wind']]
```

```
[10]: Temperature    70
Wind                26
Name: Fri, dtype: object
```

```
[11]: # Multiple rows using iloc
df.iloc[[3, 4], 1]
```

```
[11]: Thu    68
Fri    70
Name: Temperature, dtype: int64
```

```
[12]: # Multiple columns using iloc
df.iloc[4, [1, 2]]
```

```
[12]: Temperature    70
      Wind           26
      Name: Fri, dtype: object
```

```
[13]: # Multiple rows and columns
      rows = ['Thu', 'Fri']
      cols=['Temperature','Wind']

      df.loc[rows, cols]
```

```
[13]:      Temperature  Wind
      Thu           68    11
      Fri           70    26
```

```
[14]: # the equivalent iloc statement
      rows = [3, 4]
      cols = [1, 2]
      df.iloc[rows, cols]
```

```
[14]:      Temperature  Wind
      Thu           68    11
      Fri           70    26
```

1.4 4. Selecting a range of data via slice

For loc, we can use the syntax A:B to select data from label A to label B (Both A and B are included):

```
[15]: # Slicing column labels
      rows=['Thu', 'Fri']
      df.loc[rows, 'Temperature':'Humidity' ]
```

```
[15]:      Temperature  Wind  Humidity
      Thu           68    11         22
      Fri           70    26         79
```

```
[16]: # Slicing row labels
      cols = ['Temperature', 'Wind']
      df.loc['Mon':'Thu', cols]
```

```
[16]:      Temperature  Wind
      Mon           78    13
      Tue           76    28
      Wed           78    16
      Thu           68    11
```

We can use the syntax A:B:S to select data from label A to label B with step size S (Both A and B are included):

```
[17]: # Slicing with step
df.loc['Mon':'Fri':2, :]
```

```
[17]:      Weather  Temperature  Wind  Humidity
Mon    Sunny           78    13        30
Wed    Sunny           78    16        20
Fri    Shower           70    26        79
```

With `iloc`, we can also use the syntax `n:m` to select data from position `n` (included) to position `m` (excluded).

```
[18]: df.iloc[[1, 2], 0 : 3]
```

```
[18]:      Weather  Temperature  Wind
Tue    Sunny           76    28
Wed    Sunny           78    16
```

```
[19]: df.iloc[0:4:2, :]
```

```
[19]:      Weather  Temperature  Wind  Humidity
Mon    Sunny           78    13        30
Wed    Sunny           78    16        20
```

1.5 5. Selecting via conditions and callable

1.5.1 5.2 Conditions

```
[20]: # One condition
df.loc[df.Humidity > 50, :]
```

```
[20]:      Weather  Temperature  Wind  Humidity
Tue    Sunny           76    28        96
Fri    Shower           70    26        79
Sat    Shower           71    27        62
```

```
[21]: ## multiple conditions
df.loc[
    (df.Humidity > 50) & (df.Weather == 'Shower'),
    ['Temperature', 'Wind'],
]
```

```
[21]:      Temperature  Wind
Fri           70    26
Sat           71    27
```

```
[22]: # Getting ValueError
#df.iloc[df.Humidity > 50, :]
```

```
[23]: # Single condition
df.iloc[list(df.Humidity > 50)]
```

```
[23]:
```

	Weather	Temperature	Wind	Humidity
Tue	Sunny	76	28	96
Fri	Shower	70	26	79
Sat	Shower	71	27	62

```
[24]: ## multiple conditions
df.iloc[
    list((df.Humidity > 50) & (df.Weather == 'Shower')),
    :,
]
```

```
[24]:
```

	Weather	Temperature	Wind	Humidity
Fri	Shower	70	26	79
Sat	Shower	71	27	62

1.5.2 5.2 Callable

```
[25]: # Selecting columns
df.loc[:, lambda df: ['Humidity', 'Wind']]
```

```
[25]:
```

	Humidity	Wind
Mon	30	13
Tue	96	28
Wed	20	16
Thu	22	11
Fri	79	26
Sat	62	27
Sun	10	20

```
[26]: # With condition
df.loc[lambda df: df.Humidity > 50, :]
```

```
[26]:
```

	Weather	Temperature	Wind	Humidity
Tue	Sunny	76	28	96
Fri	Shower	70	26	79
Sat	Shower	71	27	62

```
[27]: df.iloc[lambda df: [0,1], :]
```

```
[27]:
```

	Weather	Temperature	Wind	Humidity
Mon	Sunny	78	13	30
Tue	Sunny	76	28	96

```
[28]: df.iloc[lambda df: list(df.Humidity > 50), :]
```

```
[28]:      Weather  Temperature  Wind  Humidity
      Tue    Sunny           76    28        96
      Fri   Shower           70    26        79
      Sat   Shower           71    27        62
```

1.6 6. loc and iloc are interchangeable when labels are 0-based integers

```
[29]: data = [
      ['Mon', 'Sunny', 78, 13, 30],
      ['Tue', 'Sunny', 76, 28, 96],
      ['Wed', 'Sunny', 78, 16, 20],
      ['Thu', 'Cloudy', 68, 11, 22],
      ['Fri', 'Shower', 70, 26, 79],
      ['Sat', 'Shower', 71, 27, 62],
      ['Sun', 'Sunny', 82, 20, 10]]
df = pd.DataFrame(data)
df
```

```
[29]:      0      1      2      3      4
0  Mon  Sunny   78   13   30
1  Tue  Sunny   76   28   96
2  Wed  Sunny   78   16   20
3  Thu  Cloudy  68   11   22
4  Fri  Shower  70   26   79
5  Sat  Shower  71   27   62
6  Sun  Sunny   82   20   10
```

Now, loc, a label-based data selector, can accept a single integer and a list of integer values.

```
[30]: df.loc[1, 2]
```

```
[30]: 76
```

```
[31]: df.loc[1, [1, 2]]
```

```
[31]: 1    Sunny
      2      76
      Name: 1, dtype: object
```

loc and iloc are interchangeable when selecting via a single value or a list of values.

```
[32]: df.loc[1, 2] == df.iloc[1, 2]
```

```
[32]: True
```

```
[33]: df.loc[1, [1, 2]] == df.iloc[1, [1, 2]]
```

```
[33]: 1    True  
      2    True  
      Name: 1, dtype: bool
```

```
[ ]:
```