

Getting Started With



Pandas

Pandas Library

- Probably the most important package in python data analysis
- It encapsulates data in a more abstract way, making it easier to manipulate, document, and understand the transformations you make in the base datasets.
- To get started with pandas, we need to be comfortable with its two workhorse data structures namely: **Series** and **DataFrames**

How To Import Pandas Library

```
import pandas as pd
```



Panda Series

Series

- A Series is a one – dimensional array containing an array of data and an associated array of data labels called its index.

How to make a series data structure

Given a list

```
age = [20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25]
```

Then

```
data = pd. Series(age)
```

```
In [36]: Data
```

```
Out[36]: 0    20  
         1    21  
         2    22  
         3    23  
         4    24  
         5    25  
         dtype: int64
```

Accessing Elements of Series

- The values in a series data structure can be accessed only by their index value using the `loc []` and `iloc []` methods

```
In [36]: Data
Out[36]: 0    20
          1    21
          2    22
          3    23
          4    24
          5    25
          dtype: int64
```

Such that

`Data.loc ["C"] = 22`

And

`Data.iloc[4] = 24`

Useful Series Methods

- `data.head()`
- `data.describe()`
- `data.mean()`
- `data.prod()`
- `data.sum()`
- `data.tail()`

Pandas DataFrame

DataFrames

- A DataFrame represents a tabular spreadsheet like data structure containing an ordered collection of columns each of which can be of a different value type (number, string, boolean)
- Unlike the Series, the DataFrame has a row and a column index. It can be thought of as a dictionary of series
- In contrast to the Series structure, the DataFrame can be accessed by either their index value or column name.

How to make a DataFrame

A. From External File Source

In the real world, a dataset is often read into python via an external source that curated it. These files can come in different formats.

File Type	Function in pandas
.csv	read_csv
.html	read_html
.xml	read_xml
.sql	read_sql
.excel	read_excel
.json	read_json

How to make a DataFrame

B. Creating DataFrames Yourself

We can certainly create a data frame yourself by inputting data which takes its data input argument and converts it into a DataFrame.

How to make a dataframe data structure

Given a dictionary

```
student = {"Age": [20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25]}
```

Then

```
student_age = pd.DataFrame(student)
```

```
In [210]: students_age
```

```
Out[210]:
```

	Age
0	20
1	21
2	22
3	23
4	24
5	25