# Pandas\_quick\_tour

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[1]: # My standard magic ! You will see this in almost all my notebooks.

from IPython.core.interactiveshell import InteractiveShell
InteractiveShell.ast_node_interactivity = "all"

# Reload all modules imported with %aimport
%load_ext autoreload
%autoreload 1

%matplotlib inline
```

## 1 Pandas

VanderPlas Chapter 3, Geron notebook

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

#### 1.1 Series

A Series is like a NumPy ndarray but with *symbolic indexing* (like a Dictionary)

```
[2]: a 0.25
b 0.50
c 0.75
d 1.00
dtype: float64
```

You select elements by using members of the index

```
[3]: print("data at 'b': ", data["b"])
```

```
data at 'b': 0.5
```

A Series looks a little like a Dictionary, but with useful operations like NumPy ndarrays

```
[5]: data.sum()
```

[5]: 2.5

You can access the index and the values directly. The values are a NumPy ndarray so you can easily integrate with NumPy.

The Index is it's own type.

```
[6]: data.index

data.values
type(data.values)
```

```
[6]: Index(['a', 'b', 'c', 'd'], dtype='object')
```

```
[6]: array([0.25, 0.5, 0.75, 1.])
```

[6]: numpy.ndarray

Symbolic indexing is super convenient! No more "parallel" arrays of values and labels.

```
[7]: data = pd.Series( np.arange(0,3), index=["2018-01-01", "2018-01-02", 

→"2018-12-31"])
data.index
```

```
[7]: Index(['2018-01-01', '2018-01-02', '2018-12-31'], dtype='object')
```

#### 1.2 Pandas DataFrame

A DataFrame (note the capital "F") looks like a table or a 2-D ndarray but with *symbolic indexing* of rows and columns.

Unlike an ndarray, the columns can be different types.

#### 1.2.1 Constructor

There are several ways to construct a DataFrame. Common methods: - list of tuples, each tuple representing a row - list of Dictionaries, each Dictionary representing a row (key/value pairs) - A Dictionary - where keys are column names - values are the Series representing a column - the index of the Series becomes *row* names of the DataFrame

```
[4]: prices = pd.Series( { "FB": 150, "AAPL": 156, "AMZN": 1700, "NFLX": 340, 

→"GOOG": 1100 } )

full_names = pd.Series( { "FB": "Facebook", "AAPL": "Apple", "AMZN": "Amazon",

"NFLX": "Netflix", "GOOG": "Google"

} )
```

```
stocks = pd.DataFrame({ "price": prices, "name": full_names })
stocks

price    name
FB    150 Facebook
```

[4]: price name
FB 150 Facebook
AAPL 156 Apple
AMZN 1700 Amazon
NFLX 340 Netflix
GOOG 1100 Google

Ticker AMZN: price: 1700, full name: Amazon

Notice how we indexed symbolically into the DataFrame: stocks.loc[ticker, "price"] More on indexing.

## 1.2.2 Display

```
[10]: stocks.head(2)
stocks.tail(3)
```

[10]: price name
FB 150 Facebook
AAPL 156 Apple

[10]: price name

AMZN 1700 Amazon

NFLX 340 Netflix

GOOG 1100 Google

## 1.2.3 Data Indexing and Selection

## VanderPlas

There is more than one way to index, and it gets confusing!

Personally, I just use one-way: the .locindexer

```
[11]: print("Price column via .price attribute:\n", stocks.price)
      # What would happen if "price" were in both the row index and the column index ?
      print("\nPrice column via named column (implicitly the column):\n", _
       ⇔stocks["price"])
      print("\nPrice column via .loc indexer:\n", stocks.loc[:, "price"])
     Price column via .price attribute:
      FΒ
               150
     AAPL
              156
     AMZN
             1700
     NFLX
              340
     GOOG
             1100
     Name: price, dtype: int64
     Price column via named column (implicitly the column):
      FΒ
               150
     AAPL
              156
     AMZN
             1700
     NFLX
              340
     GOOG
             1100
     Name: price, dtype: int64
     Price column via .loc indexer:
      FΒ
               150
     AAPL
              156
     AMZN
             1700
     NFLX
              340
     GOOG
             1100
     Name: price, dtype: int64
     Common "gotcha" Note the difference in return type for the two slightly statements
[12]: print("Arg. is an array with a single element")
      stocks.loc[:, ["price"] ]
      type(stocks.loc[:, ["price"] ] )
      print("Arg. is a singleton")
      stocks.loc[:, "price"]
      type(stocks.loc[:, "price"])
     Arg. is an array with a single element
[12]:
            price
      FΒ
              150
              156
      AAPL
```

```
1700
      AMZN
      NFLX
              340
      GOOG
             1100
[12]: pandas.core.frame.DataFrame
     Arg. is a singleton
[12]: FB
               150
      AAPL
               156
      AMZN
              1700
      NFLX
               340
      GOOG
              1100
      Name: price, dtype: int64
[12]: pandas.core.series.Series
     Index alignment Indices are more than a convenient feature for indexing. They have semantic
     meaning in that they align two Series or DataFrames
[13]: series1 = pd.Series( { "a": 1, "b": 2,
                                                          "d": 4})
      series2 = pd.Series( { "a": 10,
                                               "c": 30, "d": 44 })
      series1
      series2
      series1 + series2
      series2 + series1
[13]: a
           1
           2
      b
      d
           4
      dtype: int64
[13]: a
           10
      С
           30
      d
           44
      dtype: int64
[13]: a
           11.0
            NaN
      b
      С
            NaN
           48.0
      d
      dtype: float64
[13]: a
           11.0
            NaN
      b
```

```
c NaN
d 48.0
dtype: float64
```

Slices You can use slices in Index!

Note that, unlike in Python, the upper bound is **inclusive** 

Slices are particularly useful when you have DatetimeIndex (an index consisting of dates)

```
[14]: stocks.loc["AMZN": "GOOG"]

[14]:          price          name
          AMZN     1700          Amazon
          NFLX          340          Netflix
          GOOG          1100          Google
```

#### Adding a column

```
[15]: stocks["sector"] = pd.Series( { "FB": "Tech", "AAPL": "Tech", "AMZN": "ConsD", USTOCKS | Stocks | Stocks
```

```
[15]:
             price
                          name sector
      FΒ
                150
                     Facebook
                                  Tech
      AAPL
                156
                         Apple
                                  Tech
      AMZN
               1700
                        Amazon
                                 ConsD
      NFLX
                340
                       Netflix
                                 {\tt ConsD}
      GOOG
               1100
                        Google
                                   NaN
```

Note the missing values.

## 1.3 Operations on Series and DataFrames

The usual suspects, plus vector operations like NumPy.

Note that the default axis=0, just like NumPy

```
[16]: stocks.loc[:, "price"].mean()
```

[16]: 689.2

#### 1.3.1 apply

There are lots of methods (hard to remember them all). Don't forget the old standby: apply

The apply method to applies your own function, either column-wise or row-wise (depending on axis chosen)

```
[17]: def my_func(s):
    # If you don't understand what is passed (Series or DataFrame), or whether_
    it it row or column, try this:
        print("Type of s is {t}, shape is {sh}".format(t=type(s), sh=s.shape))

# s is a series
    return s.mean()

stocks.loc[:, ["price"] ].apply(my_func, axis=0)
```

Type of s is <class 'pandas.core.series.Series'>, shape is (5,)

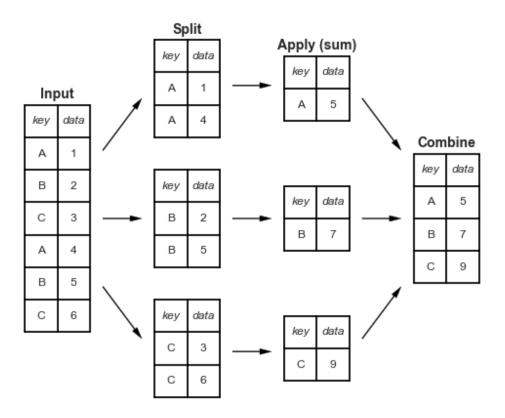
```
[17]: price 689.2 dtype: float64
```

#### 1.3.2 Database (and Spreadsheet) like operations

## Aggregation and grouping VanderPlas

The "split-apply-combine" paradigm (VanderPlas) should be familiar to users of SQL, where the operation is called group by

- split the DataFrame into groups by filtering the rows on some criteria
- apply a function to each group, returning another DataFrame
- combine the DataFrame from each group result into a single DataFrame



```
[18]: stocks.groupby("sector")

[18]: <pandas.core.groupby.groupby.DataFrameGroupBy object at 0x7f8505b34e80>

[19]: def my_group_func(df):
    return df.loc[:, "price"].mean()

    stocks.loc[:, ["price", "sector"]].groupby("sector").aggregate(my_group_func)

[19]:    price
    sector
    ConsD    1020.0
    Tech    153.0
```

#### Joining, concatenation, pivot VanderPlas

It is very rare that you are given a single dataset organized exactly as you like. Often it comes in separate pieces (i.e., from different database tables or vendors) that must be joined.

You can combine two DataFrames in a manner just like an SQL join of two tables, where the join column is the Index of the two DataFrames. Remember: Index is used for alignment as well as convenience.

We will explore this in our module on Data Transformations.