

# Python For Data Science Cheat Sheet

## Pandas Basics

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### Pandas

The **Pandas** library is built on NumPy and provides easy-to-use **data structures** and **data analysis** tools for the Python programming language.



Use the following import convention:

```
>>> import pandas as pd
```

### Pandas Data Structures

#### Series

A **one-dimensional** labeled array capable of holding any data type

a	3
b	-5
c	7
d	4

Index

```
>>> s = pd.Series([3, -5, 7, 4], index=['a', 'b', 'c', 'd'])
```

#### DataFrame

	Country	Capital	Population
0	Belgium	Brussels	11190846
1	India	New Delhi	1303171035
2	Brazil	Brasilia	207847528

A **two-dimensional** labeled data structure with columns of potentially different types

```
>>> data = {'Country': ['Belgium', 'India', 'Brazil'],
           'Capital': ['Brussels', 'New Delhi', 'Brasilia'],
           'Population': [11190846, 1303171035, 207847528]}

>>> df = pd.DataFrame(data,
                      columns=['Country', 'Capital', 'Population'])
```

### I/O

#### Read and Write to CSV

```
>>> pd.read_csv('file.csv', header=None, nrows=5)
>>> df.to_csv('myDataFrame.csv')
```

#### Read and Write to Excel

```
>>> pd.read_excel('file.xlsx')
>>> pd.to_excel('dir/myDataFrame.xlsx', sheet_name='Sheet1')

Read multiple sheets from the same file
>>> xlsx = pd.ExcelFile('file.xls')
>>> df = pd.read_excel(xlsx, 'Sheet1')
```

### Asking For Help

```
>>> help(pd.Series.loc)
```

### Selection

Also see NumPy Arrays

#### Getting

```
>>> s['b']
-5
Get one element

>>> df[1:]
   Country  Capital  Population
1  India    New Delhi  1303171035
2  Brazil   Brasilia   207847528
Get subset of a DataFrame
```

#### Selecting, Boolean Indexing & Setting

##### By Position

```
>>> df.iloc[[0], [0]]
'Belgium'
Select single value by row & column

>>> df.iat([0], [0])
'Belgium'
```

##### By Label

```
>>> df.loc[[0], ['Country']]
'Belgium'
Select single value by row & column labels

>>> df.at([0], ['Country'])
'Belgium'
```

##### By Label/Position

```
>>> df.ix[2]
Country      Brazil
Capital      Brasilia
Population    207847528
Select single row of subset of rows
```

```
>>> df.ix[:, 'Capital']
0      Brussels
1      New Delhi
2      Brasilia
Select a single column of subset of columns
```

```
>>> df.ix[1, 'Capital']
'New Delhi'
Select rows and columns
```

##### Boolean Indexing

```
>>> s[~(s > 1)]
Series s where value is not >1
>>> s[(s < -1) | (s > 2)]
s where value is <-1 or >2
>>> df[df['Population'] > 1200000000]
Use filter to adjust DataFrame
```

##### Setting

```
>>> s['a'] = 6
Set index a of Series s to 6
```

### Dropping

```
>>> s.drop(['a', 'c'])
Drop values from rows (axis=0)
>>> df.drop('Country', axis=1)
Drop values from columns (axis=1)
```

### Sort & Rank

```
>>> df.sort_index()
Sort by labels along an axis
>>> df.sort_values(by='Country')
Sort by the values along an axis
>>> df.rank()
Assign ranks to entries
```

### Retrieving Series/DataFrame Information

#### Basic Information

```
>>> df.shape
(rows, columns)
>>> df.index
Describe Index
>>> df.columns
Describe DataFrame columns
>>> df.info()
Info on DataFrame
>>> df.count()
Number of non-NA values
```

#### Summary

```
>>> df.sum()
Sum of values
>>> df.cumsum()
Cumulative sum of values
>>> df.min()/df.max()
Minimum/maximum values
>>> df.idxmin()/df.idxmax()
Minimum/Maximum index value
>>> df.describe()
Summary statistics
>>> df.mean()
Mean of values
>>> df.median()
Median of values
```

### Applying Functions

```
>>> f = lambda x: x*2
>>> df.apply(f)
Apply function
>>> df.applymap(f)
Apply function element-wise
```

### Data Alignment

#### Internal Data Alignment

NA values are introduced in the indices that don't overlap:

```
>>> s3 = pd.Series([7, -2, 3], index=['a', 'c', 'd'])
>>> s + s3
a      10.0
b      NaN
c       5.0
d       7.0
```

#### Arithmetic Operations with Fill Methods

You can also do the internal data alignment yourself with the help of the fill methods:

```
>>> s.add(s3, fill_value=0)
a      10.0
b     -5.0
c       5.0
d       7.0

>>> s.sub(s3, fill_value=2)
>>> s.div(s3, fill_value=4)
>>> s.mul(s3, fill_value=3)
```

#### Read and Write to SQL Query or Database Table

```
>>> from sqlalchemy import create_engine
>>> engine = create_engine('sqlite:///memory:')
>>> pd.read_sql("SELECT * FROM my_table;", engine)
>>> pd.read_sql_table('my_table', engine)
>>> pd.read_sql_query("SELECT * FROM my_table;", engine)

read_sql() is a convenience wrapper around read_sql_table() and
read_sql_query()

>>> pd.to_sql('myDf', engine)
```

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# Data Wrangling

## with pandas

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<http://pandas.pydata.org>

## Syntax – Creating DataFrames

	a	b	c
1	4	7	10
2	5	8	11
3	6	9	12

```
df = pd.DataFrame(
    {"a" : [4 ,5, 6],
     "b" : [7, 8, 9],
     "c" : [10, 11, 12]},
    index = [1, 2, 3])
```

Specify values for each column.

```
df = pd.DataFrame(
    [[4, 7, 10],
     [5, 8, 11],
     [6, 9, 12]],
    index=[1, 2, 3],
    columns=['a', 'b', 'c'])
```

Specify values for each row.

		a	b	c
n	v			
d	1	4	7	10
	2	5	8	11
e	2	6	9	12

```
df = pd.DataFrame(
    {"a" : [4 ,5, 6],
     "b" : [7, 8, 9],
     "c" : [10, 11, 12]},
    index = pd.MultiIndex.from_tuples(
        [('d',1),('d',2),('e',2)],
        names=['n', 'v']))
```

Create DataFrame with a MultiIndex


## Method Chaining

Most pandas methods return a DataFrame so that another pandas method can be applied to the result. This improves readability of code.

```
df = (pd.melt(df)
      .rename(columns={
```

## Tidy Data – A foundation for wrangling in pandas


In a tidy data set:



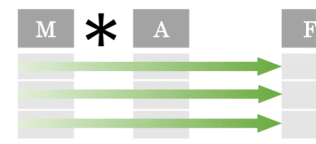
Each **variable** is saved in its own **column**

&

Each **observation** is saved in its own **row**

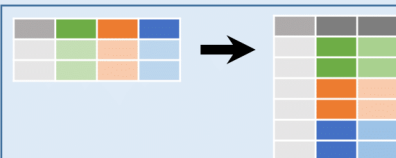


Tidy data complements pandas's **vectorized operations**. pandas will automatically preserve observations as you manipulate variables. No other format works as intuitively with pandas.



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## Reshaping Data – Change the layout of a data set



**pd.melt(df)**  
Gather columns into rows.



**df.pivot(columns='var', values='val')**  
Spread rows into columns.



**pd.concat([df1, df2])**  
Append rows of DataFrames



**pd.concat([df1, df2], axis=1)**  
Append columns of DataFrames

**df.sort\_values('mpg')**  
Order rows by values of a column (low to high).

**df.sort\_values('mpg', ascending=False)**  
Order rows by values of a column (high to low).

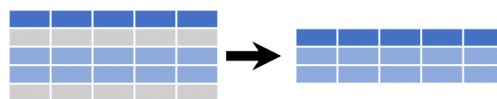
**df.rename(columns = {'y':'year'})**  
Rename the columns of a DataFrame

**df.sort\_index()**  
Sort the index of a DataFrame

**df.reset\_index()**  
Reset index of DataFrame to row numbers, moving index to columns.

**df.drop(columns=['Length', 'Height'])**  
Drop columns from DataFrame

## Subset Observations (Rows)



**df[df.Length > 7]**  
Extract rows that meet logical criteria.

**df.drop\_duplicates()**  
Remove duplicate rows (only considers columns).

**df.head(n)**  
Select first n rows.

**df.tail(n)**  
Select last n rows.

**df.sample(frac=0.5)**  
Randomly select fraction of rows.

**df.sample(n=10)**  
Randomly select n rows.

**df.iloc[10:20]**  
Select rows by position.

**df.nlargest(n, 'value')**  
Select and order top n entries.

**df.nsmallest(n, 'value')**  
Select and order bottom n entries.

## Subset Variables (Columns)



**df[['width', 'length', 'species']]**  
Select multiple columns with specific names.

**df['width']** or **df.width**  
Select single column with specific name.

**df.filter(regex='regex')**  
Select columns whose name matches regular expression *regex*.

regex (Regular Expressions) Examples	
'\.'	Matches strings containing a period '.'
'Length\$'	Matches strings ending with word 'Length'
'^Sepal'	Matches strings beginning with the word 'Sepal'
'^x[1-5]\$'	Matches strings beginning with 'x' and ending with 1,2,3,4,5
'^(?!Species\$).*'	Matches strings except the string 'Species'

**df.loc[:, 'x2':'x4']**  
Select all columns between x2 and x4 (inclusive).

### Logic in Python (and pandas)

<	Less than	!=	Not equal to
>	Greater than	df.column.isin(values)	Group membership