

Time Series Analysis with Pandas

Time series data consists of data points indexed in time order, often used in fields like finance, weather forecasting, and economics. Pandas provides extensive tools for manipulating, analyzing, and visualizing time series data.

1. Importing Libraries

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```
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
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2. Creating Time Series Data

Using `pd.date_range`

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```
# Create a time range
dates = pd.date_range(start='2023-01-01', periods=10, freq='D')

# Create a DataFrame with time series data
data = pd.DataFrame({
    'Date': dates,
    'Value': np.random.randint(10, 100, len(dates))
})
data.set_index('Date', inplace=True) # Set Date as the index
print(data)
```

Reading Time Series Data

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# Example: Reading time series data from a CSV
# CSV format:
# Date,Value
# 2023-01-01,45
# 2023-01-02,50
```

```
data = pd.read_csv('time_series.csv', parse_dates=['Date'],
index_col='Date')
print(data.head())
```

3. Exploring Time Series Data

Basic Exploration

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```
# First few rows
print(data.head())

# Summary statistics
print(data.describe())

# Check for missing values
print(data.isnull().sum())
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Resampling Data

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```
# Resample to monthly frequency (sum of values)
monthly_data = data.resample('M').sum()
print(monthly_data)

# Resample to weekly frequency (mean of values)
weekly_data = data.resample('W').mean()
print(weekly_data)
```

4. Plotting Time Series Data

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```
# Plot the data
data.plot(figsize=(10, 5), title='Time Series Data', ylabel='Value',
xlabel='Date')
plt.grid()
plt.show()
```

5. Time Series Operations

Shifting Data

- **Lagging:** Shifting data backward.
- **Leading:** Shifting data forward.

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```
# Shift data by one time step
data['Lag1'] = data['Value'].shift(1)

# Shift data forward by one time step
data['Lead1'] = data['Value'].shift(-1)

print(data.head())
```

Rolling Statistics

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```
# Calculate a 3-day rolling mean
data['RollingMean'] = data['Value'].rolling(window=3).mean()

# Calculate a 7-day rolling sum
data['RollingSum'] = data['Value'].rolling(window=7).sum()

print(data.head())
```

6. Handling Missing Data

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```
# Fill missing values with the previous value
data.fillna(method='ffill', inplace=True)

# Fill missing values with the next value
data.fillna(method='bfill', inplace=True)

# Drop rows with missing values
data.dropna(inplace=True)
```

7. Time Indexing and Slicing

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```
# Select data for a specific date
print(data.loc['2023-01-05'])

# Select data for a range of dates
print(data.loc['2023-01-03':'2023-01-07'])

# Filter by month or year
print(data['2023-01']) # January 2023
print(data['2023'])    # Entire year 2023
```

8. Time Series Decomposition

Use statsmodels for decomposing time series into trend, seasonality, and residuals.

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```
from statsmodels.tsa.seasonal import seasonal_decompose

result = seasonal_decompose(data['Value'], model='additive',
                             period=7)
result.plot()
plt.show()
```

9. Autocorrelation and Partial Autocorrelation

Autocorrelation helps identify repeating patterns in time series.

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```
from pandas.plotting import autocorrelation_plot

# Plot autocorrelation
autocorrelation_plot(data['Value'])
plt.show()
```

10. Forecasting with Pandas

Naive Forecast

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```
# Use the last observed value as the forecast
data['NaiveForecast'] = data['Value'].shift(1)
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Simple Moving Average Forecast

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```
# Use a rolling mean for forecasting
data['SMAForecast'] = data['Value'].rolling(window=3).mean()
```

11. Advanced Forecasting Techniques

For more advanced forecasting, use models like ARIMA, SARIMA, or machine learning approaches.

Example: ARIMA Model

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```
from statsmodels.tsa.arima.model import ARIMA

# Fit ARIMA model
model = ARIMA(data['Value'], order=(1, 1, 1))
model_fit = model.fit()

# Forecast
forecast = model_fit.forecast(steps=10)
print(forecast)
```

12. Saving Processed Data

Save the processed data for future analysis.

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```
data.to_csv('processed_time_series.csv')
```

