

Working with pandas DataFrames

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pandas DataFrame



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DataFrame

- A specific two-dimensional data structure designed to be like a **spreadsheet**.
- pandas DataFrames can be built from a **set of Series** (one Series for each column).
- Column series share a **common label index**.
- Data frames are built by instantiating a **pd.DataFrame()** object.

DataFrame

DataFrame named `states_df`

integer position	label index	0	1	2	integer position
		text	capital	population	
0	'OH'	'Ohio'	Columbus'	11799448	
1	'TN'	'Tennessee'	'Nashville'	6910840	
2	'AZ'	'Arizona'	'Phoenix'	7151502	<code>states_df.loc['AZ']</code> <code>states_df.iloc[2]</code>
3	'PA'	'Pennsylvania'	'Harrisburg'	13002700	<code>states_df.loc['PA', 'population']</code>
4	'AK'	'Alaska'	'Juneau'	733391	single cell value

column label (points to 'capital' column)

series (points to 'capital' column)

series (points to 'AZ' row)

single cell value (points to 'PA' population cell)

`states_df['capital']`
`states_df.capital`

- **Data frames** are essentially tables.
- The **values** of columns or rows are **series**.

Data frame indexing and attributes

- `.loc[]` to refer to a row by label index
- `.iloc[]` to refer to a row by integer position
- `.columns` to refer to the column labels
- `.index` to refer to the line label indices

Loading a DataFrame from a file

File read and write functions

`pd.read_csv()` read from a CSV file into a data frame.

`pd.to_csv()` write from a data frame to a CSV file.

`pd.read_excel()` read from an Excel file into a data frame.

`pd.to_excel()` write from a data frame to an Excel file.

The read functions can be performed using a web URL

Data frame attributes and methods

- `.head()` to display first five lines
- `.tail()` to display last five lines
- `.shape` returns a tuple of (number_rows, number_columns)

Data types and missing data



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Data types for DataFrames from files

- By default, Pandas guesses for a column based on the values in it.
- Use the **dtype=str** argument to force all cells to be strings.

Missing data

- By default, empty cells are given the NumPy missing data value: **NaN**
- Use the **na_filter=False** argument to read in empty cells as empty strings.
- **NaN** is considered a number, so turning off the **na_filter** can result in mixed data columns (type: object)

Setting the label index

Column vs. index label

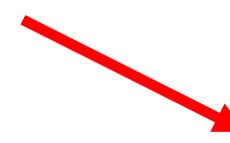
integer label index

regular column



	State	Commercial	Electric Power	Residential	Industrial	Transportation	Total
0	Alabama	2.22	55.25	1.87	21.06	34.69	115.09
1	Alaska	2.03	2.75	1.50	16.78	11.85	34.91
2	Arizona	2.87	44.28	2.19	4.59	33.08	87.01
3	Arkansas	2.94	30.22	1.66	8.21	19.38	62.41
4	California	18.87	36.57	24.11	68.84	212.95	361.35

string label index



	Commercial	Electric Power	Residential	Industrial	Transportation	Total
State						
Alabama	2.22	55.25	1.87	21.06	34.69	115.09
Alaska	2.03	2.75	1.50	16.78	11.85	34.91
Arizona	2.87	44.28	2.19	4.59	33.08	87.01
Arkansas	2.94	30.22	1.66	8.21	19.38	62.41
California	18.87	36.57	24.11	68.84	212.95	361.35

Creating a calculated column

Adding two columns as a vectorized operation

```
schools_df['total'] = schools_df['Male'] + schools_df['Female']
```

label index

School ID	Male	Female		total
496	423	424		847
375	123	143		266
105	230	234		464
460	252	250		502
110	1047	909		1956

add

Simple column methods

"Axes" of a data frame

axis 1
column axis

axis names

axis 0
row axis

Sector	Commercial	Electric Power	Industrial	Residential	Transportation
State					
Alabama	43.996634	1463.430990	503.697916	64.751214	678.018321
Alaska	50.408486	60.772091	406.923918	37.226044	303.227119
Arizona	42.886448	902.591302	96.147374	42.705125	650.674600
Arkansas	41.095011	534.948110	213.471009	52.310787	407.280788
California	329.118829	926.954976	1540.460128	602.205615	4449.921497

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Dropping and transposing

Combining DataFrames



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Concatenating DataFrames

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Q111731427	Womanist Pastoral Theology and Black Women's	A05121E4-1043-426F-8195-3EDC2CFDC996	Q83505887	1	Phillis Isabella Sheppard



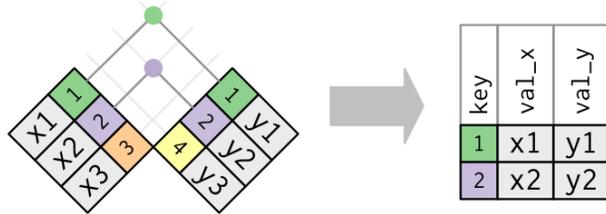
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Q111731371	A Field of Study as a Field of Dreams: The Cont	FEFFD6D0-2526-43D6-A8CE-934C104CF064	Q7595851	1	Stacey M. Floyd-Thomas
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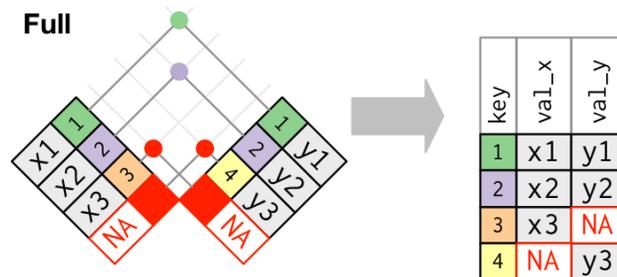
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Table joins

- A **join** merges data from two DataFrames
- **on=** arguments are the columns used to match table rows
- **Inner join** only outputs rows with matching keys



- **Outer join** includes rows that don't match (with **NaN** values inserted)



- Diagrams from <https://r4ds.had.co.nz/relational-data.html>

A simple data wrangling workflow



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