DataFrames

CSE416, Section 3

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Download Data

- We would like to access the data for all candidates in the 2021-2022 Congressional election period to determine the leading candidate fund-raisers
- Data is available at OpenFEC for download at https://www.fec.gov/data/browse-data/?tab=bulk-data

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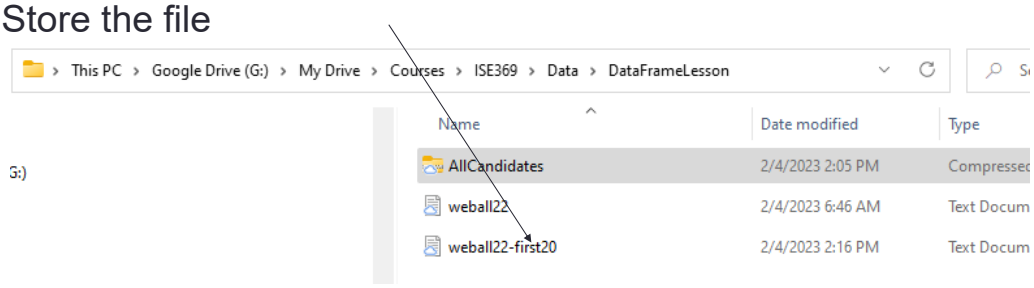
Are We on Track?

This will give us a small file that is easy to work with during class

- Download the All Candidates file for 2021-2022 to a folder that you can easily access (e.g., on Google Drive)
- Using a text editor, delete all but the first 20 rows
- Store the file



https://www.fec.gov/data/browse-data/?tab=bulk-data

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Example - Data

- The file we downloaded from OpenFEC contains contribution data for all the candidates in the 2021-2022 election cycle

H2AK00200|CONSTANT,
CHRISTOPHER|C|1|DEM|164637.9|0|164637.9|0|0|0|614.85|0|0|0|0|143180.09|158023.05|AK|00|||||1000|5000|12/31/2022|
8300|0
H2AK01158|PELTOLA,
MARY|I|1|DEM|7751293.39|186868.19|7060033.09|0|0|691260.3|25|0|0|0|0|0|7149826.02|AK|00|||||384020.59|10000|12/31/
2022|136657.7|3912.66
H2AK01240|WOOL, ADAM L|O|1|DEM|16217.07|0|16217.07|0|0|0|1100|0|0|0|0|0|15117|AK|00|||||0|0|07/15/2022|0|0
H2AK00218|REVAK, JOSHUA
CARL|O|2|REP|121841|0|121841|0|0|0|0|0|0|0|0|0|116666|AK|00|||||5000|0|09/16/2022|14600|0
H2AK00226|PALIN,
SARAH|O|2|REP|1971160.93|112963.43|1924781.35|0|0|46379.58|0|0|0|0|0|2525.05|1770697.9|AK|00|||||81305|0|12/31/20
22|43128.37|1000

Notice that data fields are separated by a "|"

Lines above are wrapped, but each record begins on a new line

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Access an OpenFEC File

Widely used alias for a pandas DataFrame

```
import pandas as pd
import os
os.chdir('G:\\My Drive\\Courses\\ISE369\\Data\\DataFrameLesson')
df = pd.read_csv('weball22-first20.txt', sep='|', header=None)
print(df)
```

Uses the pandas read_csv function to read the file into a pandas DataFrame

Specifies the separator in the csv file

Indicates that the data file did not have headers

None is a literal in Python indicating nothing is assigned

```
         0                          1  ...        28       29
0  H2AK00200        CONSTANT, CHRISTOPHER  ...   8300.00     0.00
1  H2AK01158               PELTOLA, MARY  ...  136657.70  3912.66
2  H2AK01240                WOOL, ADAM L  ...      0.00     0.00
3  H2AK00218          REVAK, JOSHUA CARL  ...  14600.00     0.00
4  H2AK00226                PALIN, SARAH  ...  43128.37  1000.00
```

Notice that 1) the data contains more columns than we care about and 2) the columns and row have number headers

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DataFrame

- A 2-dimensional data structure
- Main data structure in the pandas library
- Think of it as a spreadsheet that you can easily manipulate in Python
- Contains
  - Row and column labels and
  - Data content

```
         0                          1  ...        28
0  H2AK00200        CONSTANT, CHRISTOPHER  ...   8300.00
1  H2AK01158               PELTOLA, MARY  ...  136657.70
2  H2AK01240                WOOL, ADAM L  ...      0.00
3  H2AK00218          REVAK, JOSHUA CARL  ...  14600.00
4  H2AK00226                PALIN, SARAH  ...  43128.37
5  H2AK01059               PURHAM, RANDY  ...      0.00
```

The data file had no headers, so pandas just assigns row and column numbers to the values

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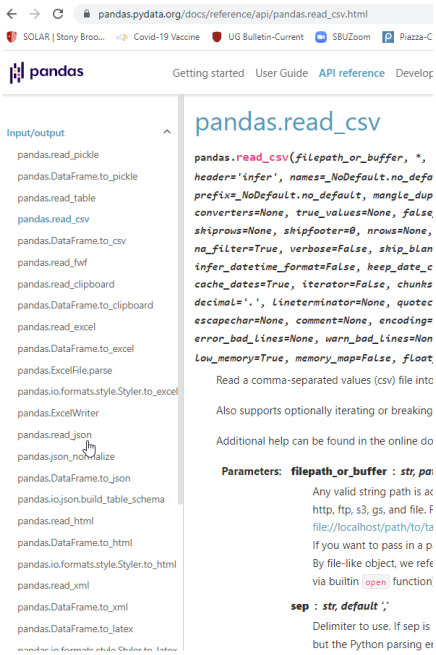
Are We on Track?

- Locate the pandas API, and look for the read_csv documentation

  The API may be a little confusing at first, but it often is the best place to start

- Read your downloaded, reduced file into a DataFrame
- Print the DataFrame



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Python Library - Pandas

- The DataFrame object contains many Series objects
- A Series object contains all or part of a row or column, along with the heading for the elements of the row or column

	0	1	...	28	29
0	H2AK00200	CONSTANT, CHRISTOPHER	...	8300.00	0.00
1	H2AK01158	PELTOLA, MARY	...	136657.70	3912.66
2	H2AK01240	WOOL, ADAM L	...	0.00	0.00
3	H2AK00218	REVAK, JOSHUA CARL	...	14600.00	0.00
4	H2AK00226	PALIN, SARAH	...	43128.37	1000.00
5	H2AK01059	PURHAM, RANDY	...	0.00	0.00
6	H2AK01083	BEGICH, NICHOLAS III		650.00	0.00

Series object

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File Structure

- Layout of the All Candidates data is available at https://www.fec.gov/campaign-finance-data/all-candidates-file-description/

All candidates file format

Column name	Field name	Position	Null	Data type	Description
CAND_ID	Candidate identification	1	N	VARCHAR2 (9)	
CAND_NAME	Candidate name	2	Y	VARCHAR2(200)	
CAND_ICI	Incumbent challenger status	3	Y	VARCHAR2(1)	
PTY_CD	Party code	4	Y	VARCHAR2(1)	

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Let's Explore the DataFrame We Created

- We can look for DataFrame attributes at https://pandas.pydata.org/docs/reference/frame.html

```
print('df index \n', df.index)
print('DataFrame size = ', df.size)
print(df.iat[3,1])
```

These are properties of the DataFrame object that we access with df.*propertyName*

Line feed

Indexing operator

```
df index
 RangeIndex(start=0, stop=20, step=1)
DataFrame size =  600
REVAK, JOSHUA CARL
```

20 rows and 30 elements per row

Element at [3,1]

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Python

- Bracket operator (subscript operator)
- Used to access the elements in a string, list, etc.
- Indexed left to right, starting at 0

```
print(df.iat[3,1])
```

More on iat in a little while

	0	1	2
0	H2AK00200	CONSTANT, CHRISTOPHER	C
1	H2AK01158	PELTOLA, MARY	I
2	H2AK01240	WOOL, ADAM L	O
3	H2AK00218	REVAK, JOSHUA CARL	O
4	H2AK00226	PALIN, SARAH	O
5	H2AK01059	PURHAM, RANDY	C

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Remove Columns from a DataFrame

- Usually, data needs to be cleaned up before processing
- Two clean-up tasks we do with the candidate contribution data are
  - Remove any columns that are not needed
  - Relabel the remaining columns
- For now, we only need
  - Candidate id
  - Candidate name
  - Incumbent / challenger status
  - Party code
  - Party affiliation
  - Total receipts
  - Candidate state
  - Primary election status
  - General election status

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Remove Unneeded Columns

- We can drop columns we don't need, either in-place or by assigning the DataFrame to a new DataFrame

```
df1=df.drop(columns=[3,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13,14,15,16,17,19,20,21,22,24,25,26,27,28,29])
```

	0	1	2	4	5	18	23
0	H2AK00200	CONSTANT, CHRISTOPHER	C	DEM	164637.90	AK	NaN
1	H2AK01158	PELTOLA, MARY	I	DEM	7751293.39	AK	NaN
2	H2AK01240	WOOL, ADAM L	0	DEM	16217.07	AK	NaN
3	H2AK00218	REVAK, JOSHUA CARL	0	REP	121841.00	AK	NaN
4	H2AK00226	PALIN, SARAH	0	REP	1971160.93	AK	NaN
5	H2AK01059	DURHAM, RANDY	C	REP	1548.51	AK	NaN

Print All the Columns

- If we saw the truncate view but would like to see all the columns, we can allow a row to print on multiple lines

```
pd.set_option('max_columns', None)
print(df)
```

```
          0                    1  2  3   4        5      6  \
0  H8AK00132      SHEIN, DIMITRI  C  1 DEM     0.00   0.00
1  H6AK00045     YOUNG, DONALD E  I  2 REP  1950289.86  138304.94
2  H8AK01031  NELSON, THOMAS JOHN  C  2 REP     0.00   0.00
3  H8AK00140       GALVIN, ALYSE  C  3 IND  5253251.54  60024.76

          7  8        9         10     11  12  13     14  15  16 \
0    367.52  0   367.52      0.00   0.00   0   0 367.52   0   0
1 1817836.79  0 116720.12 249173.19   0.00   0   0   0.00   0   0
2    466.51  0   466.51      0.00   0.00   0   0   0.00   0   0
3 5162902.93  0  6245.09  96593.70 4371.82   0   0   0.00   0   0

          17  18  19  20  21  22  23  24       25    26       27 \
0       0.00  AK   0 NaN NaN NaN NaN NaN     0.00     0 09/30/2019
1  963416.04  AK   0 NaN NaN NaN NaN NaN  839094.63   500 12/31/2020
2       0.00  AK   0 NaN NaN NaN NaN NaN     0.00     0 03/31/2019
3 4796137.47  AK   0 NaN NaN NaN NaN NaN  340486.99 10025 12/31/2020
```

In truncate view, pandas will detect the width of the terminal and print a center truncated object that fits the screen width

Python

- Comments on the Python code on a previous slide

```
df1=df.drop(columns=[3,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13,14,15,16,17,19,20,21,22,24,25,26,27,28,29])
```

- A Python list
  - Can contain items of a different data type
  - Contains values, separated by commas (,) and enclosed within square brackets ([])
  - Is changable

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Remove Unneeded Columns

- We can also drop columns by selecting the columns we would like to retain and assigning the columns to a different DataFrame

```
df2=df.loc[:,[0,1,2,4,5,18,23]]
print(df2)
```

```
           0                    1  2    4           5   18
0  H8AK00132        SHEIN, DIMITRI  C  DEM        0.00  AK
1  H6AK00045      YOUNG, DONALD E   I  REP  1950289.86  AK
2  H8AK01031  NELSON, THOMAS JOHN   C  REP        0.00  AK
3  H8AK00140         GALVIN, ALYSE  C  IND  5253251.54  AK
```

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Python

Selects all the rows

- Consider the Python statement in a previous slide

```
df2=df.loc[:,[0,1,2,4,5,18,23]]
```

- Python slice operation
  - Operates on strings, lists, and tuples
  - Selects a portion of the string or list
  - Indices, start, stop, and step (stops one before stop index)
  - Syntax – [*start* : *stop* : *step*]
  - Must include at least one colon (:)

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Pandas loc

- Consider the Python statement in a previous slide

```
df2=df.loc[:,[0,1,2,4,5,18,23]]
```

All rows

List of column labels

- Allows you to access a group of rows and columns from a DataFrame using either access labels (loc) or integers (iloc)
- Selection can use a list of labels, a slice, or a Boolean array

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Accessing Data in a DataFrame

Multiple approaches differ in what you access and what the property returns

- iloc
  - Integer based indexing for selection by position
  - Allowed inputs include an integer, a list or array of integers, and a slice object
- loc
  - Access a group of rows and columns by labels
  - Allowed inputs include a single label, a list or array of labels, and a slice object with labels
- iat
  - accesses a single value for a row/column by integer position
  - Use iat if you only need to get or set a single value
- at
  - Similar to iat, but access a single value by label pair

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Rename the Columns

- We can rename the columns in the DataFrame

```
df1 = df1.rename(columns = {0:"ID"})
df1 = df1.rename(columns = {1:"Name"})
df1 = df1.rename(columns = {2:"I/C"})
df1 = df1.rename(columns = {4:"Pty"})
df1 = df1.rename(columns = {5:"$$"})
df1 = df1.rename(columns = {18:"State"})
df1 = df1.rename(columns = {23:"Status"})
print(df1)
```

Python dictionary syntax

NaN stands for Not a Number in Python. Often used to represent missing values

	ID	Name	I/C	Pty	$$	State	Status
0	H2AK00200	CONSTANT, CHRISTOPHER	C	DEM	164637.90	AK	NaN
1	H2AK01158	PELTOLA, MARY	I	DEM	7751293.39	AK	NaN
2	H2AK01240	WOOL, ADAM L	O	DEM	16217.07	AK	NaN
3	H2AK00218	REVAK, JOSHUA CARL	O	REP	121841.00	AK	NaN
4	H2AK00226	PALIN, SARAH	O	REP	1971160.93	AK	NaN
5	H2AK01050	DURHAM, RANDY	C	REP	1548.51	AK	NaN

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Sort the DataFrame

- We can sort the rows in the DataFrame

```
dfsort = df1.sort_values('$$', ascending=False)
print(dfsort)
```

	ID	Name	I/C	Pty	$$	State	Status
1	H2AK01158	PELTOLA, MARY	I	DEM	7751293.39	AK	NaN
4	H2AK00226	PALIN, SARAH	O	REP	1971160.93	AK	NaN
6	H2AK01083	BEGICH, NICHOLAS III	C	REP	1640060.27	AK	NaN
17	H0AL01055	CARL, JERRY LEE, JR	I	REP	1313718.57	AL	NaN

But numbers in the $$ display are difficult to read

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Format

- We would like to
  - Change the format of the numbers in the $$ column and
  - Print the top 25 rows (if our input file contained more than 25 rows)

Format method of the string object

```
def format(x):
    return "${:.2f}M".format(x/1000000)
dfsort['$$'] = dfsort['$$'].apply(format)
print("Top 25")
print(dfsort.head(25))
```

Positional argument

Replacement fields are enclosed in curly braces. Text outside the curly braces are included, as is. Replacement fields are substituted for by the arguments to the format() method

Format specifier
(https://www.python.org/dev/peps/pep-3101/)

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Are We on Track?

- Use your downloaded full list of candidate's campaign contributions for 2021-2022
- Display the top 25 donations in excess of $2M

```
Top 25
            ID                    Name  I/C  Pty       $$ State  Status
3389  P40004541          MERCER JR, LEE  NaN  DEM  $384.00M    00     NaN
3635  S0GA00559         WARNOCK, RAPHAEL    I  DEM  $206.59M    GA     NaN
3392  P40007296              MERCER, LEE  NaN  DEM  $128.00M    00     NaN
3526  S0AZ00350              KELLY, MARK    I  DEM   $92.77M    AZ     NaN
682   H2FL08063    DEMINGS, VALDEZ 'VAL'    I  DEM   $81.09M    FL     NaN
3608  S2FL00631             DEMINGS, VAL    C  DEM   $81.09M    FL     NaN
4015  S6PA00274      FETTERMAN, JOHN KARL    O  DEM   $76.34M    PA     NaN
3648  S2GA00225     WALKER, HERSCHEL MR      C  REP   $73.75M    GA     NaN
```

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Were We on Track?

- DataFrame df1 contains the downloaded candidate data with the columns renamed (as in previous slides)

```
dfsort = df1.sort_values('$$', ascending=False)
def format(x):
    return "${:.2f}M".format(x/1000000)
dfsort['$$'] = dfsort['$$'].apply(format)
print("Top 25")
print(dfsort.head(25))
```

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Reading

- Wiki – Shapefile
  en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Shapefile
- GeoPandas data structures
  geopandas.org/en/stable/docs/user_guide/data_structures.html
- Geographic coordinate systems
  en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Geographic_coordinate_system
- Pyplot tutorial
  matplotlib.org/stable/tutorials/introductory/pyplot.html
- Data selection in a DataFrame
  https://www.shanelynn.ie/pandas-iloc-loc-select-rows-and-columns-dataframe/
- Adding columns to a DataFrame
  https://www.interviewkickstart.com/learn/adding-new-column-to-existing-dataframe-in-pandas

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Reference

- Geopandas documentation
  https://geopandas.org/en/stable/docs.html
- Redistricting Data Hub
  https://redistrictingdatahub.org/data/
  (register for your account)
- Shapely User Manual
  https://shapely.readthedocs.io/en/stable/manual.html
- World Geodetic System
  https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/World_Geodetic_System
- Installing packages
  https://www.jetbrains.com/help/pycharm/installing-uninstalling-and-upgrading-packages.html
- Matplotlib
  https://matplotlib.org/stable/api/index.html
- Color maps
  https://matplotlib.org/stable/tutorials/colors/colormaps.html

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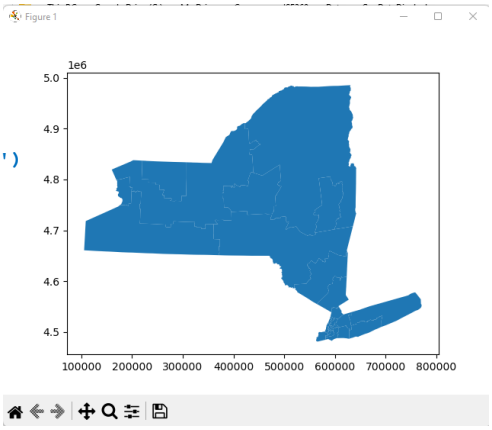
Access the NY Congressional Shapefile

- File contains the boundaries of the 2022 New York Congressional districts as a Shapefile

```
import geopandas
import os
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
os.chdir('G:\\My Drive\\Courses\\ISE369\\Data'
         +'\\GeoDataDisplayLesson')
ny_cd = geopandas.read_file('ny_cong_adopted_2022.zip')
ny_cd.plot()
plt.show()
```



There's a lot going on in this code block, so let's review it

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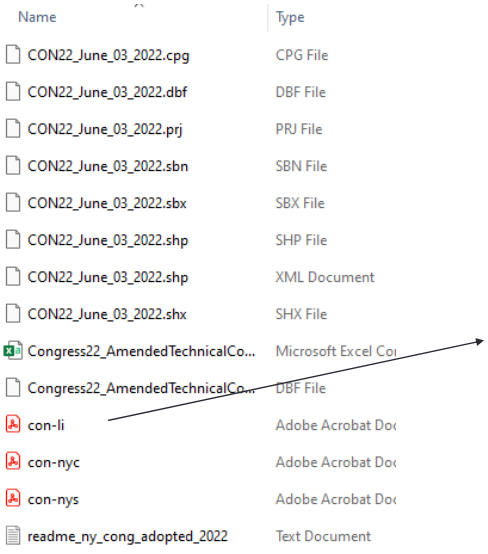
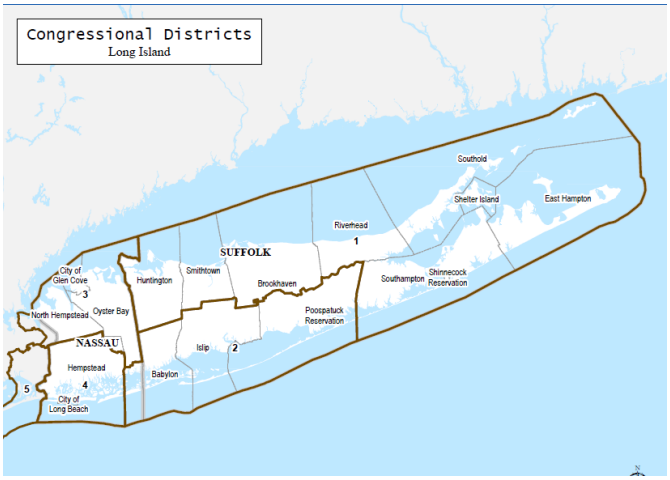
What's in the Zip File?





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Geopandas

- Open-source project that adds support to pandas for geographic data objects
- Extends the pandas DataFrame to add geometric operations
- Built on top of the Shapely geometric library for geometric operations

GeoDataFrame (Source: geopandas.org)

A GeoDataFrame is a DataFrame with an added geometry column

Create a GeoDataFrame

```
...
ny_cd =
geopandas.read_file('ny_cong_adopted_2022.zip')
print(ny_cd)
```

read_file method has other parameters

Directory containing a Shapefile

FIPS Code

```
22        36  ...  POLYGON ((-73.97112 40.81631, -73.97069 40.810...
23        36  ...  POLYGON ((-79.07537 43.08135, -79.07400 43.083...
24        36  ...  POLYGON ((-76.47265 42.00007, -76.47213 42.000...
25        36  ...  POLYGON ((-73.98784 40.65982, -73.98750 40.660...
26        36  ...  POLYGON ((-75.55548 42.12170, -75.55268 42.121...

[27 rows x 338 columns]
```

ny_cd is a GeoDataFrame

Row #

FIPS codes are listed in https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Federal_Information_Processing_Standard_state_code

State FIPS Codes

Name	Postal Code	FIPS
Alabama	AL	01
Alaska	AK	02
Arizona	AZ	04
Arkansas	AR	05
California	CA	06
Colorado	CO	08

GeoDataFrame

- Part of the geopandas library
- A pandas.DataFrame that has a column with geometry
- A GeoDataFrame always has one GeoSeries column (geometry) that holds a special status
- Spatial methods applied to a GeoDataFrame will operate on the "geometry" column
- Geometry column accessed through gdf.geometry
- The name of the geometry column accessed through *gdf*.geometry.name

Geometry objects are Shapely objects

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GeoDataFrame

- A GeoDataFrame extends a pandas DataFrame, so you need to import pandas to use DataFrame options

```
import geopandas
import os
import pandas as pd
os.chdir(...)
ny_cd =
geopandas.read_file('ny_cong_adopted_2022.zip')
pd.set_option('display.max_rows', None)
pd.set_option('display.max_columns', None)
print(ny_cd)
```

	BASENAME	NAME	FUNCSTAT	POP100
0	1	Congressional District 1	N	740319
1	7	Congressional District 7	N	762833
2	27	Congressional District 27	N	720092
3	17	Congressional District 17	N	763751
4	14	Congressional District 14	N	750025
5	6	Congressional District 6	N	769247
6	5	Congressional District 5	N	778780
7	24	Congressional District 24	N	717307
8	16	Congressional District 16	N	770401
9	11	Congressional District 11	N	766236

Sets the DataFrame options

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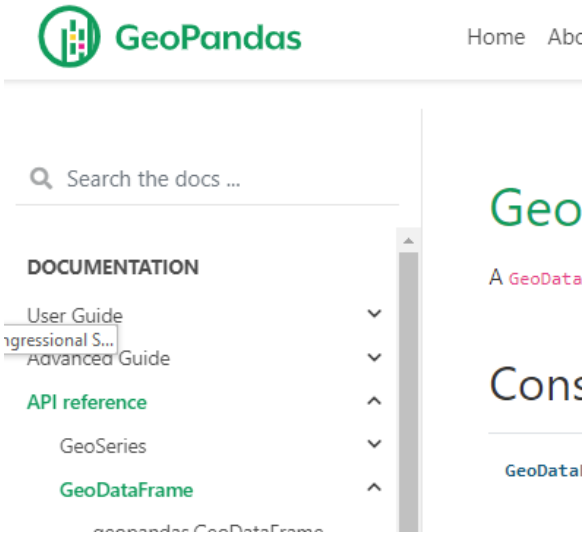
How Do I Find GeoPandas Properties/Methods?

- API Reference geopandas.org/en/stable/docs/reference.html
- Methods (e.g., GeoDataFrame) geopandas.org/en/stable/docs/reference/geodataframe.html



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What are the Columns in this GeoDataFrame?

```
...
for col_name in ny_cd.columns:
    print(col_name)
```

```
OBJECTID
Shape_Leng
Shape_Area
DISTRICT
geometry
```

Let's look at this column more carefully

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Geometry Column in a GeoDataFrame

```
...
geom_cd = ny_cd.iat[0,4]
print(geom_cd)
```

iat accesses a single DataFrame element by integer position, so this accesses the geometry of Congressional District # 1

```
POLYGON ((742169.5257000001 4532898.369100001, 736334.2504000003 4529914.095799999, 735
```

Note that this GeoDataFrame cell contains a polygon

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Accessing Data in a DataFrame

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- iat
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- at
  - Similar to iat, but accesses a single value by label pair
- iloc
  - Integer based indexing for selection by position
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- loc
  - Access a group of rows and columns by labels
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GeoPandas Data Structures

- GeoPandas implements 2 main data structures
  - GeoSeries – subclass of pandas.Series
  - GeoDataFrame – subclass of pandas.DataFrame
- GeoPandas shapes, which are Shapely objects
  - Points / Multi-Points
  - Lines / Multi-Lines
  - Polygons / Multi-Polygons

Each entry in a GeoSeries vector is a set of shapes

islands

For example, a political district might be defined as a multi-polygon or multiple polygons if there are islands in the district

Shapely operations assume a cartesian coordinate system

One NY district (10) contains multiple polygons

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Shapely

- A Python package for computational geometry
- Fundamental geometric objects
  - Point – e.g., Point class
  - Curve – e.g., LineString class
  - Surface – e.g., Polygon class

Shapely assumes all features exist in the same Cartesian plane

- Geometric relationships
  - Contains
  - Intersects
  - Overlaps
  - Touches
- Geometric operations
  - Buffer
  - Convex hull
  - intersection

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Shapely Attributes

- Area
- Bounds
- Length
- Minimum_clearance

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District Geometry

```
...
geom_cd = ny_cd.iat[0,4]
print(geom_cd)
```

```
POLYGON ((742169.5257000001 4532898.369100001, 736334.2504000003 4529914.095799999, 73
```

A polygon is specified as a series of points

What are these coordinates?

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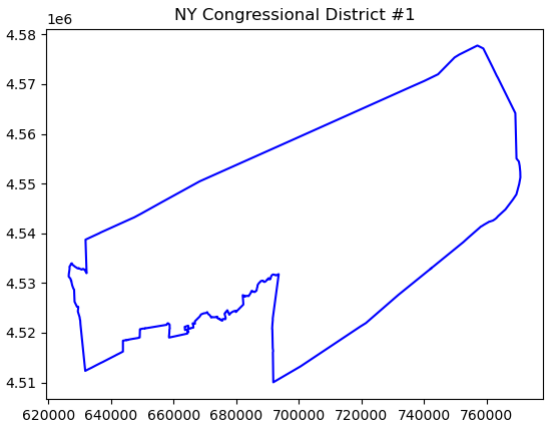
Are We On Track?

- For the state you downloaded, analyze the geometry of an "interesting" Congressional District
  - What is the geometric area?
  - What is the perimeter?

```
type of geom_cd1 is  Polygon
Area of CD1 is  0.5396835201245012
Length of CD1 is  4.117221284683758
POLYGON ((-73.296459 40.934796999999996, -73.296554 40.9
```



Use iat or at to get the geometry of a district

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Were We on Track?

```
…
Import geopandas as gpd
ny_cd = gpd.read_file('ny_cong_adopted_2022.zip')
geom_cd1 = ny_cd.at[0,'geometry']
print('type of geom_cd1 is ', geom_cd1.geom_type)
print('Area of CD1 is ', geom_cd1.area)
print('Length of CD1 is ', geom_cd1.length)
print(geom_cd1)
```

```
type of geom_cd1 is  Polygon
Area of CD1 is  4747142907.556379
Length of CD1 is  398240.16896129434
POLYGON ((742169.5257000001 4532898.369100001, 736334.2504
```

But what are these units?

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How Do We Add a Column to a DataFrame?

- Frequently, data you need is contained in different data sources, for example
  - Geometry
  - Election results
  - Campaign contributions
  - Demographic data
- Approach options
  - Declaring a new list as a column – insert data as the last column
  - Using DataFrame.insert() – insert a column anywhere

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Example …

columns returns the column labels

```
…
ny_cd = gpd.read_file('ny_cong_adopted_2022.zip')
print('\n' + 'DataFrame column names')
print(ny_cd.columns.tolist())
ny_cd['values'] = range(28)
print('\n' + 'DataFrame column names after insert')
print(ny_cd.columns.tolist())
```

Generates 28 integers, from 0 t0 27

```
DataFrame column names
['OBJECTID', 'Shape_Leng', 'Shape_Area', 'DISTRICT', 'geometry']

DataFrame column names after insert
['OBJECTID', 'Shape_Leng', 'Shape_Area', 'DISTRICT', 'geometry', 'values']
```

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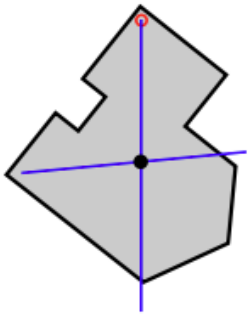
Useful GeoDataFrame Geometric Operations

- Area
- Polygon boundary
- Centroid
- Distance
- Convex hull
- Simplify
- Union
- Buffer



Polygon Centroids (source: Wikipedia)

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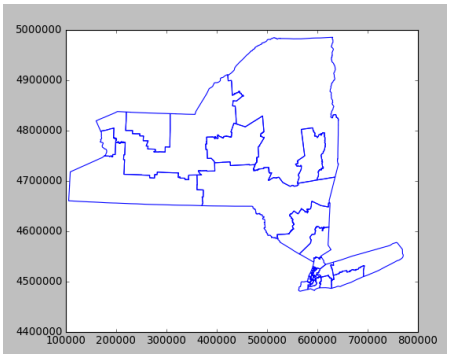
Show Boundaries

- But in some of the styles, the image does not clearly show the district boundaries since the boundary blends with the image background
- We can show just the boundaries with the following statements

```
...
ny_cd =
geopandas.read_file('ny_cong_adopted_2022.zip')
plt.style.use('classic')
ny_cd.boundary.plot()
plt.show()
```

The boundary property returns a GeoSeries, which can then be plotted



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