

How can I create a scatter plot using multiple columns in Pandas?

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Creating a scatter plot using multiple columns in Pandas involves using the Pandas library to import and organize data into a dataframe, selecting the desired columns for the plot, and using the plot function to display the data points as a scatter plot with the selected columns as the x and y variables. This allows for visualizing the relationship between multiple variables in a dataset and identifying any patterns or correlations.

Pandas: Create Scatter Plot Using Multiple Columns

You can use the following basic syntax to create a scatter plot using multiple columns in a pandas DataFrame:

```
import pandas as pd
```

```
#create scatter plot of A vs. B
```

```
ax1 = df.plot(kind='scatter', x='A', y='B', color='r')
```

```
#add scatter plot on same graph of C vs. D
```

```
ax2 = df.plot(kind='scatter', x='C', y='D', color='g',  
ax=ax1)
```

This particular example creates a scatter plot using columns A and B, then overlays another scatter plot on the same graph using columns C and D.

The following example shows how to use this syntax in practice.

Example: Create Pandas Scatter Plot Using Multiple Columns

Suppose we have the following pandas DataFrame that shows the points and assists for various basketball players on teams A and B:

```
import pandas as pd
```

```
#create DataFrame
```

```
df = pd.DataFrame({'A_assists': ,  
'A_points': ,  
'B_assists': ,  
'B_points': })
```

```
#view DataFrame
```

```
print(df)
```

```
A_assists A_points B_assists B_points
```

```
0 3 6 3 7
```

```
1 4 8 4 9
```

```
2 5 8 4 9
```

```
3 6 10 5 13
```

```
4 7 13 5 10
```

```
5 7 13 6 11
```

```
6 8 15 7 12
```

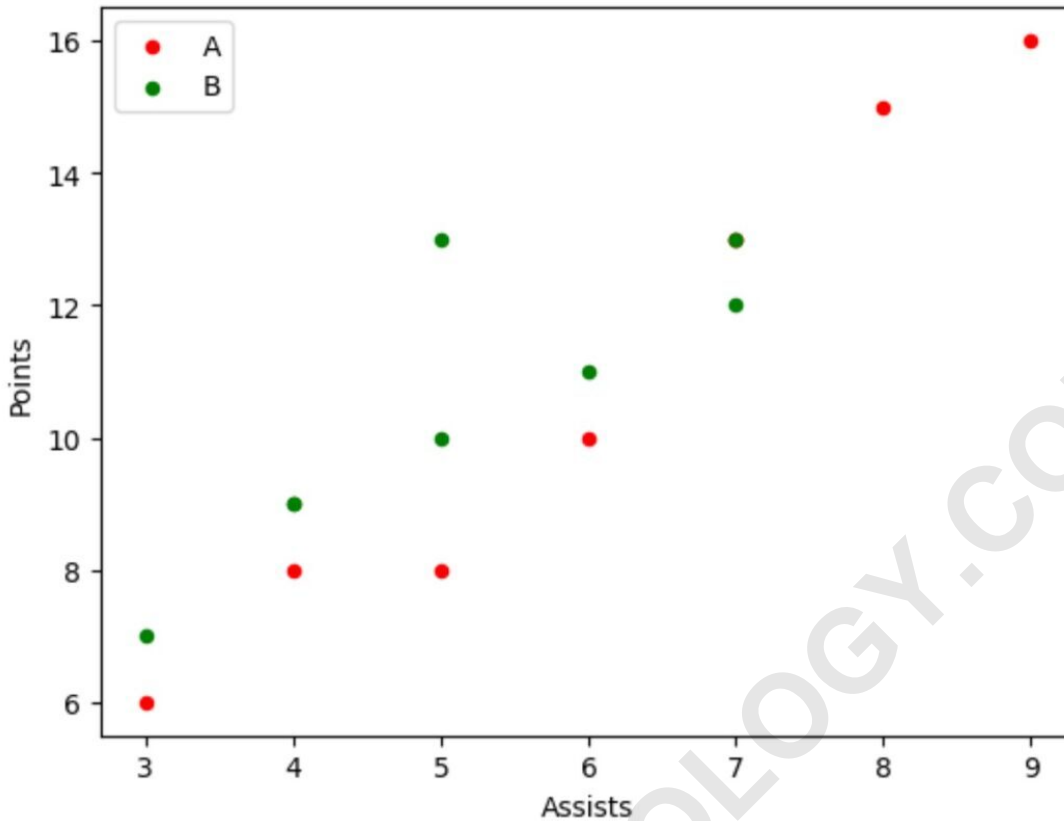
```
7 9 16 7 13
```

We can use the following syntax to create a scatter plot using columns `A_assists` and `A_points`, then overlay another scatter plot on the same graph using columns `B_assists` and `B_points`:

```
#create scatter plot of A_assists vs. A_points
ax1=df.plot(kind='scatter', x='A_assists', y='A_points',
color='r', label='A')

#add scatter plot on same graph using B_assists vs.
B_points
ax2=df.plot(kind='scatter', x='B_assists', y='B_points',
color='g', label='B', ax=ax1)

#specify x-axis and y-axis labels
ax1.set_xlabel('Assists')
ax1.set_ylabel('Points')
```



The end result is a scatter plot that contains the values in the columns `A_assists` and `A_points` in red and the values in the columns `B_assists` and `B_points` in green.

Note #1: The `label` argument specifies the label to use in the legend of the plot.

Note #2: In this example, we used two groups of columns to plot two scatter plots on the same graph. However, you could use `ax3`, `ax4`, etc. to add as many columns as you'd like to the scatter plot.

The following tutorials explain how to perform other common tasks in pandas:

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