

How can I use Pandas GroupBy on a MultiIndex?

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Pandas GroupBy on a MultiIndex is a powerful tool that allows for efficient and organized processing of data in a Pandas DataFrame with multiple index levels. This feature enables users to group and aggregate data based on specific criteria within each level of the index, providing a comprehensive view of the data. By utilizing Pandas GroupBy on a MultiIndex, users can easily analyze and manipulate complex datasets, making it a valuable tool for data analysis and management.

Pandas: Use GroupBy on a MultiIndex

You can use the following basic syntax to use GroupBy on a pandas DataFrame with a multiindex:

```
#calculate sum by level 0 and 1 of multiindex  
df.groupby(level=).sum()
```

```
#calculate count by level 0 and 1 of multiindex  
df.groupby(level=).count()
```

```
#calculate max value by level 0 and 1 of multiindex  
df.groupby(level=).max()
```

...

Each of these examples calculate some metric grouped by two levels of a multiindex pandas DataFrame.

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

Example: Use GroupBy on MultiIndex in pandas

Suppose we have the following pandas DataFrame with a multiindex:

```
import pandas as pd
```

```
#create DataFrame
```

```
df = pd.DataFrame({'team': ,  
'position': ,  
'points': })
```

```
#define multiindex
```

```
df.set_index(, inplace=True)
```

```
#view DataFrame
```

```
print(df)
```

```
points
```

```
team position
```

```
A G 6
```

```
G 8
```

```
F 9
```

```
F 11
```

```
B G 13
```

```
G 8
```

F 8

F 15

We can use the following syntax to calculate the sum of the points values grouped by both levels of the multiindex:

#calculate sum of points grouped by both levels of the multiindex:

```
df.groupby(level=).sum()
```

points

team position

A F 20

G 14

B F 23

G 21

We can use similar syntax to calculate the max of the points values grouped by both levels of the multiindex:

#calculate max of points grouped by both levels of the multiindex:

```
df.groupby(level=).max()
```

points

team position

A F 11

G 8

B F 15

G 13

We can use similar syntax to calculate any value we'd like grouped by several levels of a multiindex.

Note: You can find the complete documentation for the GroupBy operation in pandas .

Additional Resources

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