

# Refugees

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## 1 Pandas

- <https://pandas.pydata.org>
- very high-level data containers with corresponding functionality
- many useful tools to work with time-series (look at `Series.rolling`)
- many SQL-like data operations (`group`, `join`, `merge`)
- Interface to a large variety of file formats (see `pd.read_...` functions)
- additional package with data-interface/API to many data repositories ([https://pandas-datareader.readthedocs.io/en/latest/remote\\_data.html](https://pandas-datareader.readthedocs.io/en/latest/remote_data.html))

```
In [1]: import pandas as pd
```

### 1.1 Basic Data Structures

#### 1.1.1 Series

One-dimensional ndarray with axis labels (called index).

Series can be created like an array

```
In [2]: pd.Series([11,13,17,19,23])
```

```
Out[2]: 0    11
        1    13
        2    17
        3    19
        4    23
        dtype: int64
```

or, if you want a special index

```
In [3]: series = pd.Series([11,13,17,19,23], index=['a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e'])
        print(series)
```

```
a    11
b    13
c    17
d    19
e    23
dtype: int64
```

to get the content back you can use

```
In [4]: series.index
```

```
Out[4]: Index(['a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e'], dtype='object')
```

```
In [5]: series.values
```

```
Out[5]: array([11, 13, 17, 19, 23])
```

but the power of pandas lies in all the other attributes

```
In [6]: #series. [TAB]
```

### 1.1.2 DataFrame

The primary pandas data structure.

Two-dimensional size-mutable, potentially heterogeneous tabular data structure with labeled axes. (index: row labels, columns: column labels) Can be thought of as a dict-like container for Series objects.

The easiest way to create a DataFrame is to read it from an input file (see later)

In addition there are many ways to create DataFrames manually. Most straight forward probably is to use a dict of iterables. (Series, Lists, Arrays). Pandas tries to choose sensible indexes.

```
In [7]: frame = pd.DataFrame({"primes": series, "fibonacci": [1,1,2,3,5], "0-4": range(5)})
```

```
In [8]: print(frame)
```

	primes	fibonacci	0-4
a	11	1	0
b	13	1	1
c	17	2	2
d	19	3	3
e	23	5	4

## 2 Refugee Example

We now want to use pandas to work with data from the World Bank. My goal is to create a plot showing the burden refugees put on different countries. For this we will plot the fraction of refugee in a give countries population versus that countries GDP.

I downloaded and extracted the following data-sets from the World-bank website manually:

- \* Refugee population by country or territory of asylum: <https://data.worldbank.org/indicator/SM.POP.REFG>
- \* Population, total: <https://data.worldbank.org/indicator/SP.POP.TOTL>
- \* GDP per capita (current US\$): <https://data.worldbank.org/indicator/NY.GDP.PCAP.CD>

```
In [9]: import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
```

## 2.1 Loading and Accessing Data

loading a data file with pandas is trivial

```
In [10]: refugees = pd.read_csv("data/refugee-population.csv", skiprows=4)
```

```
In [11]: refugees.head()
```

```
Out[11]:
```

	Country Name	Country Code							Indicator Name	Indicator Code	1960						
0	Aruba	ABW							Refugee population by country or territory of ...	SM.POP.REFG	NaN						
1	Afghanistan	AFG							Refugee population by country or territory of ...	SM.POP.REFG	NaN						
2	Angola	AGO							Refugee population by country or territory of ...	SM.POP.REFG	NaN						
3	Albania	ALB							Refugee population by country or territory of ...	SM.POP.REFG	NaN						
4	Andorra	AND							Refugee population by country or territory of ...	SM.POP.REFG	NaN						
			1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	...	2009	2010	2011						
0			NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	...	NaN	NaN	NaN						
1			NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	...	37.0	6434.0	3009.0						
2			NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	...	14734.0	15155.0	16223.0						
3			NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	...	70.0	76.0	82.0						
4			NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	...	NaN	NaN	NaN						
			2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	Unnamed: 62								
0			NaN	1.0	NaN	2.0	NaN	NaN	NaN								
1			16187.0	16863.0	300423.0	257554.0	59770.0	NaN	NaN								
2			23413.0	23783.0	15474.0	15555.0	15537.0	NaN	NaN								
3			86.0	93.0	104.0	104.0	111.0	NaN	NaN								
4			NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN								

[5 rows x 63 columns]

As you can see pandas choose the right column labels and numbered the rows continuously. We can easily change the row labels (the index) to one of the columns.

```
In [12]: refugees.set_index(["Country Code"], inplace=True)
```

```
In [13]: refugees.head()
```

```
Out[13]:
```

	Country Name	Indicator Name		
ABW	Aruba	Refugee population by country or territory of ...		
AFG	Afghanistan	Refugee population by country or territory of ...		

```

AGO          Angola  Refugee population by country or territory of ...
ALB          Albania  Refugee population by country or territory of ...
AND          Andorra  Refugee population by country or territory of ...

```

```

Indicator Code  1960  1961  1962  1963  1964  1965  1966  \
Country Code
ABW            SM.POP.REFG  NaN   NaN   NaN   NaN   NaN   NaN   NaN
AFG            SM.POP.REFG  NaN   NaN   NaN   NaN   NaN   NaN   NaN
AGO            SM.POP.REFG  NaN   NaN   NaN   NaN   NaN   NaN   NaN
ALB            SM.POP.REFG  NaN   NaN   NaN   NaN   NaN   NaN   NaN
AND            SM.POP.REFG  NaN   NaN   NaN   NaN   NaN   NaN   NaN

```

```

...          2009    2010    2011    2012    2013  \
Country Code  ...
ABW            ...      NaN     NaN     NaN     NaN     1.0
AFG            ...      37.0   6434.0  3009.0  16187.0  16863.0
AGO            ...     14734.0  15155.0  16223.0  23413.0  23783.0
ALB            ...       70.0    76.0    82.0    86.0    93.0
AND            ...       NaN     NaN     NaN     NaN     NaN

```

```

2014    2015    2016  2017  Unnamed: 62
Country Code
ABW      NaN     2.0     NaN   NaN         NaN
AFG    300423.0  257554.0  59770.0  NaN         NaN
AGO    15474.0   15555.0  15537.0  NaN         NaN
ALB     104.0    104.0    111.0   NaN         NaN
AND      NaN     NaN     NaN   NaN         NaN

```

[5 rows x 62 columns]

Now it's easy to select rows or columns

```
In [14]: refugees.loc[["CHE", "DEU"]]
```

```

Out[14]:          Country Name          Indicator Name \
Country Code
CHE      Switzerland  Refugee population by country or territory of ...
DEU          Germany  Refugee population by country or territory of ...

Indicator Code  1960  1961  1962  1963  1964  1965  1966  \
Country Code
CHE            SM.POP.REFG  NaN   NaN   NaN   NaN   NaN   NaN   NaN
DEU            SM.POP.REFG  NaN   NaN   NaN   NaN   NaN   NaN   NaN

...          2009    2010    2011    2012    2013  \
Country Code  ...
CHE            ...     46203.0  48813.0  50416.0  50747.0  52464.0
DEU            ...     593799.0  594269.0  571684.0  589737.0  187567.0

```

	2014	2015	2016	2017	Unnamed: 62
Country Code					
CHE	62620.0	73336.0	82608.0	NaN	NaN
DEU	216973.0	316115.0	669408.0	NaN	NaN

[2 rows x 62 columns]

```
In [15]: refugees[["1990", "2000"]].head()
```

```
Out[15]:
```

	1990	2000
Country Code		
ABW	NaN	NaN
AFG	50.0	NaN
AGO	11557.0	12086.0
ALB	NaN	523.0
AND	NaN	NaN

```
In [16]: refugees.get(["1990", "2000"]).head()
```

```
Out[16]:
```

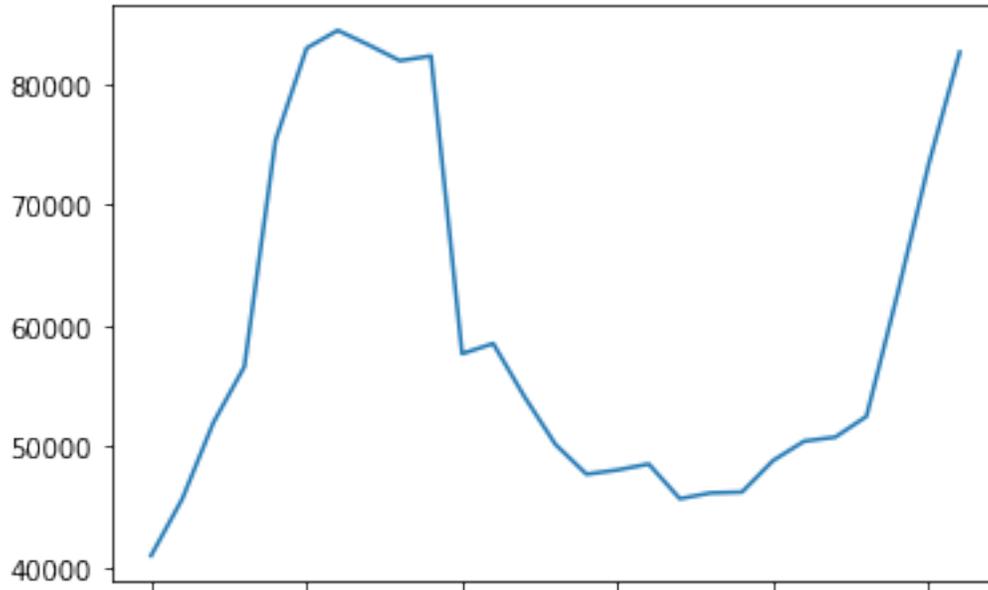
	1990	2000
Country Code		
ABW	NaN	NaN
AFG	50.0	NaN
AGO	11557.0	12086.0
ALB	NaN	523.0
AND	NaN	NaN

## 2.2 Working with a Single Country

With this we now choose the data for one country, remove all missing values and then create a plot:

```
In [17]: che = refugees.loc["CHE"][[str(year) for year in range(1990,2018)]]
```

```
In [18]: che.dropna().plot()
plt.show()
```



Usually it is easier to work with real datetime objects instead of strings. So we convert the index to datetime

```
In [19]: che.index.values
```

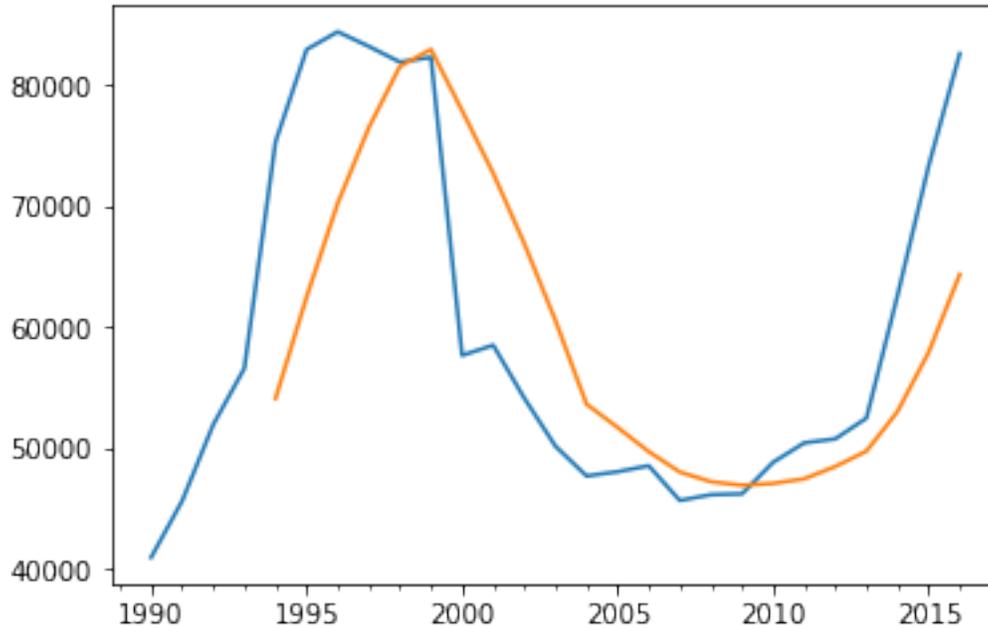
```
Out[19]: array(['1990', '1991', '1992', '1993', '1994', '1995', '1996', '1997',
                '1998', '1999', '2000', '2001', '2002', '2003', '2004', '2005',
                '2006', '2007', '2008', '2009', '2010', '2011', '2012', '2013',
                '2014', '2015', '2016', '2017'], dtype=object)
```

```
In [20]: che.index = pd.to_datetime(che.index, format="%Y")
         print(che.index)
```

```
DatetimeIndex(['1990-01-01', '1991-01-01', '1992-01-01', '1993-01-01',
               '1994-01-01', '1995-01-01', '1996-01-01', '1997-01-01',
               '1998-01-01', '1999-01-01', '2000-01-01', '2001-01-01',
               '2002-01-01', '2003-01-01', '2004-01-01', '2005-01-01',
               '2006-01-01', '2007-01-01', '2008-01-01', '2009-01-01',
               '2010-01-01', '2011-01-01', '2012-01-01', '2013-01-01',
               '2014-01-01', '2015-01-01', '2016-01-01', '2017-01-01'],
              dtype='datetime64[ns]', freq=None)
```

As mentioned in the introduction, pandas offers a very usefull rolling method

```
In [21]: che.plot()
         che.rolling(center=False,window=5).mean().plot()
         plt.show()
```



## 2.3 Removing Unwanted Data

We now want to create a scatter plot with refugees divided by gdp vs. gdp-per-captita. For each data set we will use the mean of the last 7 years.

Some of the rows and columns in the World-Bank Files are of no interest for this. We can remove these easily.

### 2.3.1 Excluding Non-Countries

The World-Bank provides meta-data for each country, where we can identify rows with non-countries (e.g. regional aggregates)

In [22]: !head data/metadata-countries\_population.csv

"ARG","Latin America & Caribbean","Upper middle income","National Institute of Statistics and C

We load this file and extract the two relevant columns

```
In [23]: meta = pd.read_csv("data/metadata-countries_population.csv")
```

```
In [24]: meta.columns
```

```
Out[24]: Index(['Country Code', 'Region', 'IncomeGroup', 'SpecialNotes', 'TableName',  
              'Unnamed: 5'],  
              dtype='object')
```

```
In [25]: meta = meta[['Country Code', 'Region']]
```

```
In [26]: meta.head()
```

```
Out[26]:
```

	Country Code	Region
0	ABW	Latin America & Caribbean
1	AFG	South Asia
2	AGO	Sub-Saharan Africa
3	ALB	Europe & Central Asia
4	AND	Europe & Central Asia

```
In [27]: meta.set_index("Country Code", inplace=True)
```

From this we create a list of non-countries

```
In [28]: non_countries = meta.loc[meta.Region.isnull()].index  
print(non_countries)
```

```
Index(['ARB', 'CEB', 'CSS', 'EAP', 'EAR', 'EAS', 'ECA', 'ECS', 'EMU', 'EUN',  
      'FCS', 'HIC', 'HPC', 'IBD', 'IBT', 'IDA', 'IDB', 'IDX', 'LAC', 'LCN',  
      'LDC', 'LIC', 'LMC', 'LMY', 'LTE', 'MEA', 'MIC', 'MNA', 'NAC', 'OED',  
      'OSS', 'PRE', 'PSS', 'PST', 'SAS', 'SSA', 'SSF', 'SST', 'TEA', 'TEC',  
      'TLA', 'TMN', 'TSA', 'TSS', 'UMC', 'WLD'],  
      dtype='object', name='Country Code')
```

and finally exclude the relevant rows

```
In [29]: refugees = refugees.drop(non_countries)
```

### 2.3.2 Excluding Columns

The data contains a few rows with unneeded text

```
In [30]: refugees.columns
```

```
Out[30]: Index(['Country Name', 'Indicator Name', 'Indicator Code', '1960', '1961',  
              '1962', '1963', '1964', '1965', '1966', '1967', '1968', '1969', '1970',  
              '1971', '1972', '1973', '1974', '1975', '1976', '1977', '1978', '1979',  
              '1980', '1981', '1982', '1983', '1984', '1985', '1986', '1987', '1988',
```

```
'1989', '1990', '1991', '1992', '1993', '1994', '1995', '1996', '1997',
'1998', '1999', '2000', '2001', '2002', '2003', '2004', '2005', '2006',
'2007', '2008', '2009', '2010', '2011', '2012', '2013', '2014', '2015',
'2016', '2017', 'Unnamed: 62'],
dtype='object')
```

In addition, the 2017 column is empty

```
In [31]: np.any(refugees["2017"].notnull())
```

```
Out[31]: False
```

so we can create a list of all interesting columns

```
In [32]: useful_cols = []
         for year in range(2010,2017):
             useful_cols.append(str(year))
```

```
In [33]: useful_cols
```

```
Out[33]: ['2010', '2011', '2012', '2013', '2014', '2015', '2016']
```

with this, we:

- select the reduced dataset
- switch the index to Country Code
- calculate the mean for each country

```
In [34]: refugees = refugees[useful_cols]
```

```
In [35]: refugee_means = refugees.mean(axis=1)
```

## 2.4 Loading Additional Files

Of course we could execute these commands again manually for the two remaining data-files. However, the proper way to solve this is to create a function for this. Especially since all files have the exact same structure.

```
In [36]: def load_file(file):
         """Load and process a Worldbank File"""
         data = pd.read_csv(file, skiprows=4)
         data.set_index("Country Code", inplace=True)
         data.drop(non_countries, inplace=True)
         data = data[[str(year) for year in range(2010,2017)]]
         return data.mean(axis=1), data
```

```
In [37]: gdp_means, gdp = load_file("data/gdp-per-capita.csv")
```

```
In [38]: gdp_means.head()
```

```
Out [38]: Country Code
ABW    24798.330391
AFG     603.594404
AGO    4134.962750
ALB    4261.539631
AND    39309.685362
dtype: float64
```

```
In [39]: gdp.head()
```

```
Out [39]:
```

	2010	2011	2012	2013 \
Country Code				
ABW	24271.940421	25324.720362	NaN	NaN
AFG	553.300289	603.537023	669.009051	638.612543
AGO	3529.053482	4299.012889	4598.249988	4804.616884
ALB	4094.358832	4437.178068	4247.614308	4413.081697
AND	39736.354063	41098.766942	38391.080867	40619.711298

	2014	2015	2016
Country Code			
ABW	NaN	NaN	NaN
AFG	629.345250	569.577923	561.778746
AGO	4709.312024	3695.793748	3308.700233
ALB	4578.666728	3934.895394	4124.982390
AND	42294.994727	36038.267604	36988.622030

```
In [40]: population_means, population = load_file("data/population.csv")
```

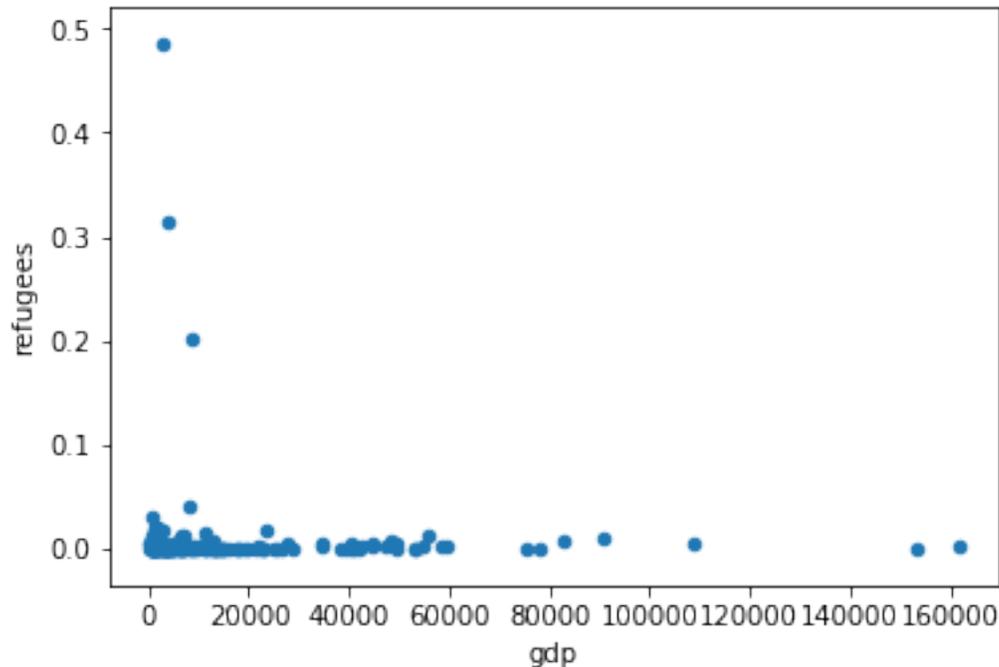
## 2.5 Creating the Plot

We now combine our three Series with means into one DataFrame and create our plot.

```
In [41]: data = pd.DataFrame({"gdp": gdp_means, "refugees": refugee_means/population_means}).d
```

(Here we loose some countries with missing data.)

```
In [42]: data.plot.scatter("gdp", "refugees")
plt.show()
```



We can quickly find out who the three top countries are:

```
In [43]: data.where(data["refugees"]>0.1).dropna()
```

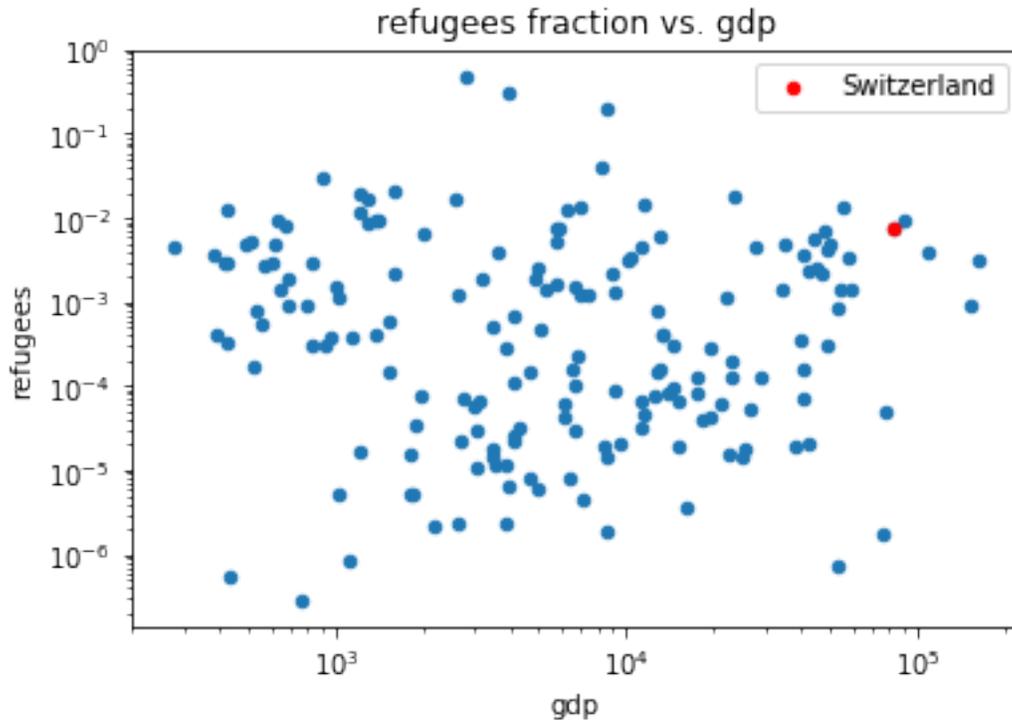
```
Out[43]:
```

	gdp	refugees
Country Code		
JOR	3943.016044	0.313576
LBN	8640.434951	0.202313
PSE	2793.289949	0.484664

To improve readability:

- we switch to a log-log axis (we need to exclude countries with too small refugee numbers)
- we highlight one selected country
- We add a title

```
In [44]: ax = data[data["refugees"] > 1e-10].plot.scatter(y="refugees", x="gdp", loglog=True)
ax = data.loc[["CHE"]].plot.scatter(y="refugees", x="gdp", ax=ax, color="r", label="S")
plt.title("refugees fraction vs. gdp")
plt.show()
```



again we can print the info for one country

```
In [45]: data.loc["CHE"]
```

```
Out [45]: gdp          82883.020927
          refugees     0.007429
          Name: CHE, dtype: float64
```

### 2.5.1 Highlighting a Full Region

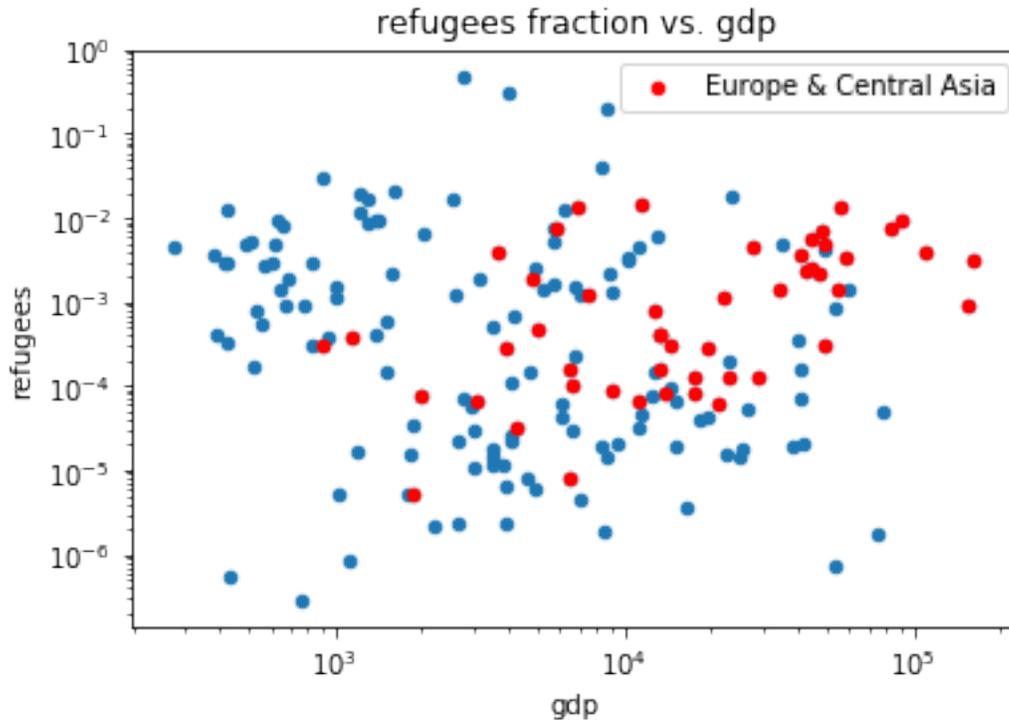
Based on the meta data provided by the World Bank, we can highlight a region

```
In [46]: europe = meta.loc[meta.Region == "Europe & Central Asia"].index
```

```
In [47]: europe[:10]
```

```
Out [47]: Index(['ALB', 'AND', 'ARM', 'AUT', 'AZE', 'BEL', 'BGR', 'BIH', 'BLR', 'CHE'], dtype='object')
```

```
In [48]: ax = data[data["refugees"] > 1e-10].plot.scatter(y="refugees", x="gdp", loglog=True)
          ax = data.loc[data.index.intersection(europe)].plot.scatter(y="refugees", x="gdp", ax=ax)
          plt.title("refugees fraction vs. gdp")
          plt.show()
```



(As we lost some countries with missing data when we called `dropna` above, we need the `data.index.intersection`-call to select only country codes really contained in our data.)

## 2.6 Fitting

We now look at a tiny subset of this data and look at ways to fit a function to it.

Scipy prepare a huge number of options, we will look at three options of increasing complexity and flexibility.

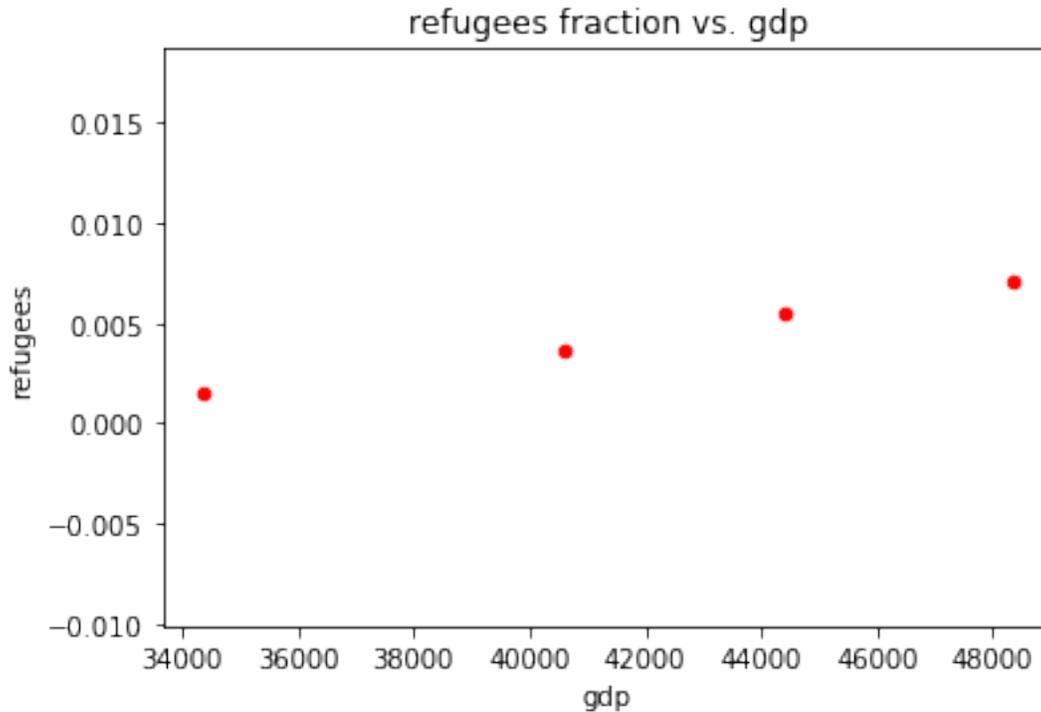
### 2.6.1 Preparations

first we select our subset

```
In [49]: europe_small = ['AUT',
                        'DEU',
                        'FRA',
                        'ITA',
                        ]
```

```
In [50]: data_eu = data.loc[europe_small].dropna()
```

```
In [51]: ax = data_eu.plot.scatter(y="refugees", x="gdp", color="r")
plt.title("refugees fraction vs. gdp")
plt.show()
```



and we create a vector with all the x values we will need to plot our fit result

```
In [52]: x = np.linspace(data_eu["gdp"].min(), data_eu["gdp"].max(), 100)
```

## 2.6.2 polyfit

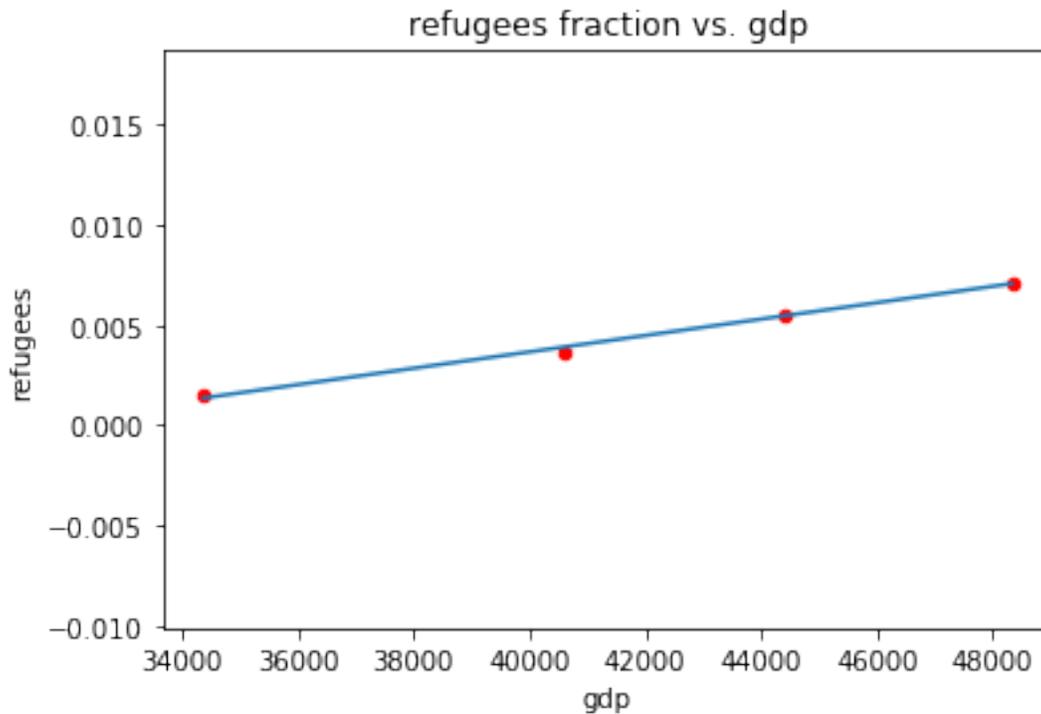
Polyfit is probably the easiest way to fit a polynome to given data.

```
In [53]: from scipy import polyfit, polyval
```

```
In [54]: res = polyfit(data_eu["gdp"], data_eu["refugees"], 1)
          print(res)
```

```
[ 4.09014159e-07 -1.27066203e-02]
```

```
In [55]: ax = data_eu.plot.scatter(y="refugees", x="gdp", color="r")
          ax.plot(x, polyval(res, x))
          plt.title("refugees fraction vs. gdp")
          plt.show()
```



### 2.6.3 curve\_fit

With `curve_fit` you can define a complex fit function.

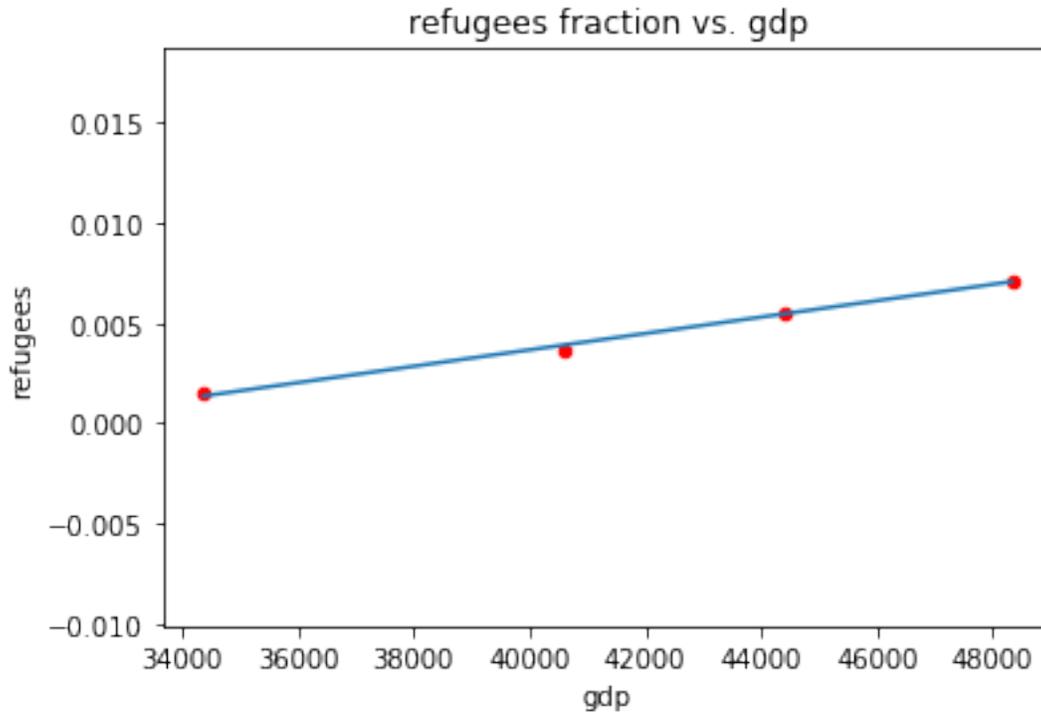
```
In [56]: from scipy.optimize import curve_fit
```

```
In [57]: def fit_function(x,b,c):
          return b*x+c
```

```
In [58]: res = curve_fit(fit_function, data_eu["gdp"], data_eu["refugees"])
          print(res)
```

```
(array([ 4.09014159e-07, -1.27066203e-02]), array([[ 3.74367147e-16, -1.56946192e-11],
          [-1.56946192e-11,  6.67866539e-07]]))
```

```
In [59]: ax = data_eu.plot.scatter(y="refugees", x="gdp", color="r")
          ax.plot(x, fit_function(x, *(res[0])))
          plt.title("refugees fraction vs. gdp")
          plt.show()
```



#### 2.6.4 leastsq

Finally, least-squares allows you to even specify the cost function. With this you can factor in uncertainties or weights for your data points.

```
In [60]: from scipy.optimize import leastsq
```

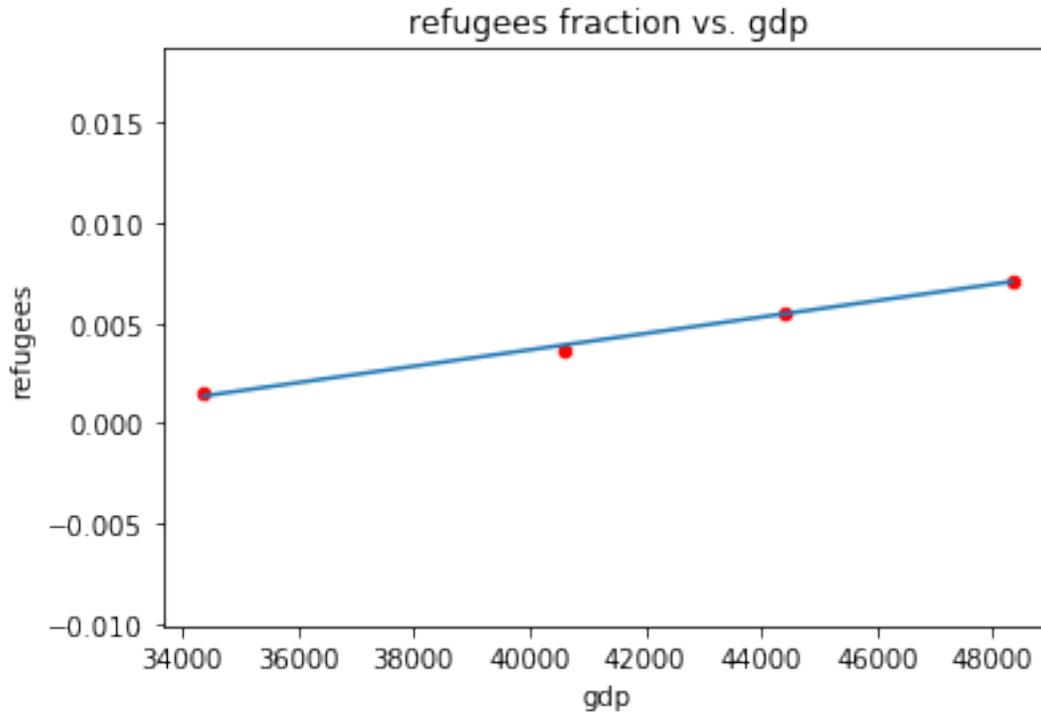
```
In [61]: def fit_function(x, p):
         return x*p[0]+p[1]
```

```
In [62]: def error_function(params):
         return data_eu["refugees"] - fit_function(data_eu["gdp"], params)
```

```
In [63]: res = leastsq(error_function, [0,0])
         print(res)
```

```
(array([ 4.09014159e-07, -1.27066203e-02]), 2)
```

```
In [64]: ax = data_eu.plot.scatter(y="refugees", x="gdp", color="r")
         ax.plot(x, fit_function(x, res[0]))
         plt.title("refugees fraction vs. gdp")
         plt.show()
```



## 2.6.5 statsmodels

```
In [65]: import statsmodels.formula.api as smf
```

```
In [66]: res = smf.ols("refugees ~ gdp", data=data_eu).fit()
```

```
In [67]: print(res.summary())
```

```

                    OLS Regression Results
=====
Dep. Variable:          refugees    R-squared:                0.996
Model:                  OLS        Adj. R-squared:           0.993
Method:                 Least Squares    F-statistic:              446.9
Date:                  Mon, 24 Jun 2019    Prob (F-statistic):       0.00223
Time:                  16:24:53          Log-Likelihood:           29.799
No. Observations:      4              AIC:                      -55.60
Df Residuals:          2              BIC:                      -56.83
Df Model:               1
Covariance Type:       nonrobust
=====

```

	coef	std err	t	P> t	[0.025	0.975]
Intercept	-0.0127	0.001	-15.548	0.004	-0.016	-0.009
gdp	4.09e-07	1.93e-08	21.139	0.002	3.26e-07	4.92e-07

```

=====
Omnibus:                nan    Durbin-Watson:                2.912
Prob(Omnibus):          nan    Jarque-Bera (JB):            0.850
Skew:                   -1.067  Prob(JB):                     0.654
Kurtosis:                2.261  Cond. No.                     3.47e+05
=====

```

Warnings:

- [1] Standard Errors assume that the covariance matrix of the errors is correctly specified.
- [2] The condition number is large, 3.47e+05. This might indicate that there are strong multicollinearity or other numerical problems.

```

/usr/lib/python3/dist-packages/statsmodels/stats/stattools.py:72: ValueWarning: omni_normtest :
  "samples were given." % int(n), ValueWarning)

```

```
In [68]: print(res.params)
```

```

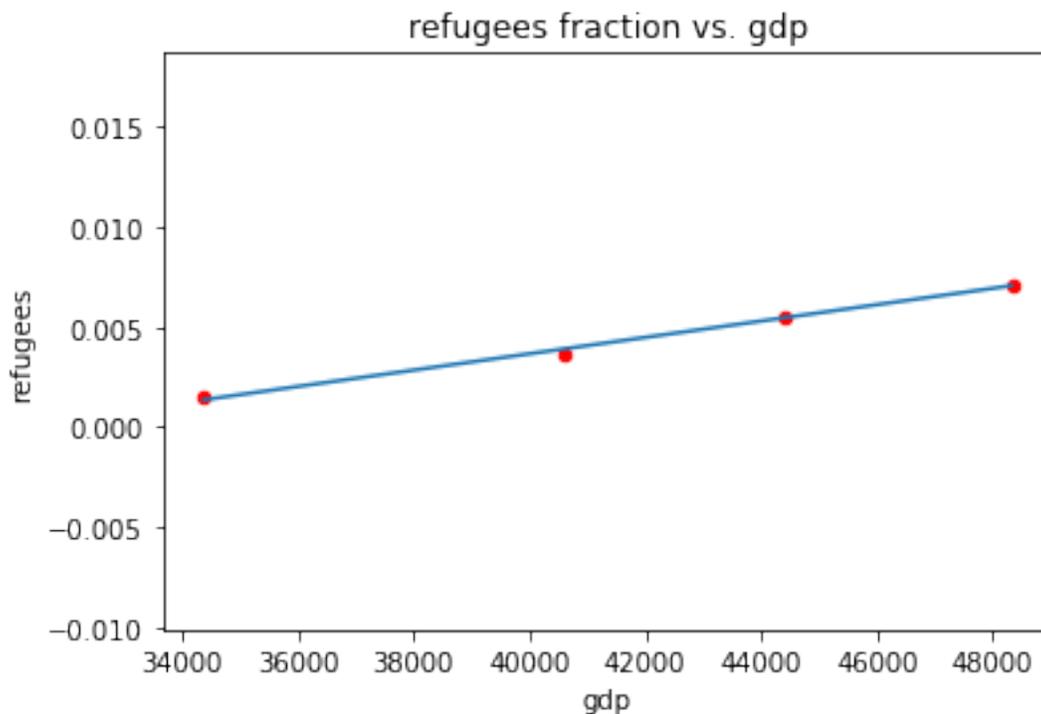
Intercept  -1.270662e-02
gdp         4.090142e-07
dtype: float64

```

```

In [69]: ax = data_eu.plot.scatter(y="refugees", x="gdp", color="r")
ax.plot(x, res.params[1]*x+res.params[0])
plt.title("refugees fraction vs. gdp")
plt.show()

```



## 2.7 Appendix: Selecting from DataFrames

### 2.7.1 Accessing Rows

Passing a single value to `loc` returns a Series

```
In [70]: frame.loc["a"]
```

```
Out[70]: primes    11
         fibo      1
         0-4      0
         Name: a, dtype: int64
```

Passing a list to `loc` returns a DataFrame (even if the list contains a single a single value)

```
In [71]: frame.loc[["a"]]
```

```
Out[71]:   primes  fibo  0-4
         a      11    1    0
```

```
In [72]: frame.loc[["a","c"]]
```

```
Out[72]:   primes  fibo  0-4
         a      11    1    0
         c      17    2    2
```

Also slicing works (but includes the upper boundary)

```
In [73]: frame.loc["b":"d"]
```

```
Out[73]:   primes  fibo  0-4
         b      13    1    1
         c      17    2    2
         d      19    3    3
```

A list of boolean values with n-Rows entries, is considered a mask to select rows

```
In [74]: frame.loc[[True,False,True,False,True]]
```

```
Out[74]:   primes  fibo  0-4
         a      11    1    0
         c      17    2    2
         e      23    5    4
```

Instead of a list, a boolean-series can be used. Rows are matched on the index. (`frame[["primes"]] > 20` would not work as this returns a frame instead of a series.)

```
In [75]: frame.loc[frame["primes"] > 20]
```

```
Out [75]:  primes  fibo  0-4
          e      23    5    4
```

When using a mask, `.loc` is optional (but recommended to avoid confusion with columns).

```
In [76]: frame[frame["primes"] > 20]
```

```
Out [76]:  primes  fibo  0-4
          e      23    5    4
```

Using `iloc` it is possible to access rows by position as well. (without using the index)

```
In [77]: frame.iloc[2:-1]
```

```
Out [77]:  primes  fibo  0-4
          c      17    2    2
          d      19    3    3
```

## 2.7.2 Accessing Columns

The frame is subscripted directly. Again, passing a single value returns a series.

```
In [78]: frame["primes"]
```

```
Out [78]: a    11
          b    13
          c    17
          d    19
          e    23
          Name: primes, dtype: int64
```

While a list returns a DataFrame

```
In [79]: frame[["primes"]]
```

```
Out [79]:  primes
          a    11
          b    13
          c    17
          d    19
          e    23
```

```
In [80]: frame[["primes", "0-4"]]
```

```
Out [80]:  primes  0-4
          a     11    0
          b     13    1
          c     17    2
          d     19    3
          e     23    4
```

Instead of subscripting, the get-method can be used.

```
In [81]: frame.get(["primes", "0-4"])
```

```
Out[81]:
```

	primes	0-4
a	11	0
b	13	1
c	17	2
d	19	3
e	23	4

For single columns, an attribute with the same name exists

```
In [82]: frame.primes
```

```
Out[82]:
```

a	11
b	13
c	17
d	19
e	23

Name: primes, dtype: int64

But this fails, if the column-name is not a valid attribute-name

```
In [83]: # Raises SyntaxError  
         #frame.0-4
```

For even more options have a look at the pandas-website: <https://pandas.pydata.org/pandas-docs/stable/indexing.html>