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Data Cleaning/ETL (Hands-on)

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What is Data Cleaning?

The process of identifying and correcting errors, in consistencies, and anomalies in data to improve its quality and usability for analysis and decision-making.

What is ETL?

ETL = **Extract** → **Transform** → **Load**

Extract: Pull data from sources

Transform: Clean, fix, and standardize

Load: Save into a final destination



Why is Data Cleaning Important?

- Improves data quality

 - ✓ Boosts decision-making accuracy
 - ✓ Essential for Machine Learning models

Reasons for Dirty Data

Human Errors (Typos)

- System Errors (Migration failures)
- Outdated Information
- Measurement Errors (Sensor faults)

Example of Dirty Data (Table)

Name	Age	Country	Email Address
John Smith	28	USA	john@email.com
John Smith	28	USA	john@email.com
Maria Anders	300	Germany	maria@website
Lee Wong	_	<u>Chi</u> na	lee.wong@email.com
Ayesha Khan	24	Pakstian	ayesha@domain.com

Types of Missing Data

MCAR: Missing Completely at Random

MAR: Missing At Random

MNAR: Missing Not At Random

MCAR: Missing Completely at Random

The missing data has no relationship with any other variable or the missing value itself.

It happens purely by chance.

Example:

A survey page was accidentally skipped by a participant.

MAR: Missing At Random

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The missing data is **related to other observed variables**, but **not to the missing value itself**.

Example:

In a survey, younger people are less likely to disclose their income, but age is recorded.

MNAR: Missing Not At Random

The missing data is related to the value of the missing data itself.

Example:

People with very high incomes are more likely to leave the income field blank because it's sensitive.

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