

6. The `df.describe()` method provides the 'count', 'mean', 'std', 'min', '25%', '50%', '75%', and 'max' summary statistics for each variable it analyses. Give the definitions (perhaps using help from the ChatBot if needed) of each of these summary statistics

- **Count**- the number of non missing values that are not 'null' in each of the columns
- **Mean**- The average value of all numbers in a column (done by sum of all values / no. of values)
- **Std**- Standard Deviation, which shows the amount of variation or dispersion of the data values across the set. It shows how spread out the data points are from the mean.
- **Min**- the minimum or smallest value in a column
- **25%**- the lower quartile or the value below which 25% of the data falls.
- **50%**- The median or the middle value of the data, with half of the values below and half above this point
- **75%**- the upper quartile, or the value below which 75% of the data falls.
- **Max**- the largest or maximum value in a column

7. Missing data can be considered "across rows" or "down columns". Consider how `df.dropna()` or `del df['col']` should be applied to most efficiently use the available non-missing data in your dataset and briefly answer the following questions in your own words

1. Provide an example of a "use case" in which using `df.dropna()` might be preferred over using `del df['col']`
 - When analysing data of a grocery store for example, with columns such as Product, date, price etc. certain rows for products may have missing values such as a null price. In order to analyse the data, such values should be avoided so using `df.dropna()` will remove that particular row with the null values, allowing a summary to be created using data from all other rows.
2. Provide an example of "the opposite use case" in which using `del df['col']` might be preferred over using `df.dropna()`
 - In the example for the grocery store given earlier, if a particular column such as date is unnecessary, one can use `del df['dates']` to delete the entire column of dates. This will make it easier to look at the rest of the columns without any redundant data

3. Discuss why applying `del df['col']` before `df.dropna()` when both are used together could be important

- If you are analysing a dataset which has one column irrelevant to the analysis but may contain many empty/null entries (for example customer feedback), using `dropna()` first may remove the entire row even though other data like price, or date might be available for that row. Therefore using `del` first to rid the column not needed for the data analysis allows us to use `dropna()` whilst still preserving rows that have the relevant/necessary data such as price or date.

Chat GPT Conversation Summary

Here's a summary of the conversation:

1. **Summary Statistics Definitions:** You asked for the definitions of common summary statistics (`count`, `mean`, `std`, `min`, `25%`, `50%`, `75%`, and `max`) used in `df.describe()` in pandas, and I explained what each of these statistics represents in a dataset.
 2. **Use Case for `df.dropna()` vs. `del df['col']`:** We discussed a scenario where `df.dropna()` is preferred over `del df['col']`. The use case focused on cleaning a dataset by dropping rows with missing values while retaining all columns, whereas `del df['col']` is used to delete an entire column.
 3. **Order of `del df['col']` and `df.dropna()`:** You asked why applying `del df['col']` before `df.dropna()` is important. I explained that deleting irrelevant columns with many missing values first ensures that `df.dropna()` focuses on the remaining relevant columns, preserving useful rows and preventing excessive row deletion.
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