

# Is the data missing at random?

DEALING WITH MISSING DATA IN PYTHON



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# Possible reasons for missing data

*Note — (variable → data field or column in a DataFrame)*

- Values simply missing at random instances or intervals in a variable
- Values missing due to another variable
- Values missing due to the missingness of the same or another variable

# Types of missingness

1. Missing Completely at Random (MCAR)
2. Missing at Random (MAR)
3. Missing Not at Random (MNAR)

# Missing Completely at Random(MCAR)

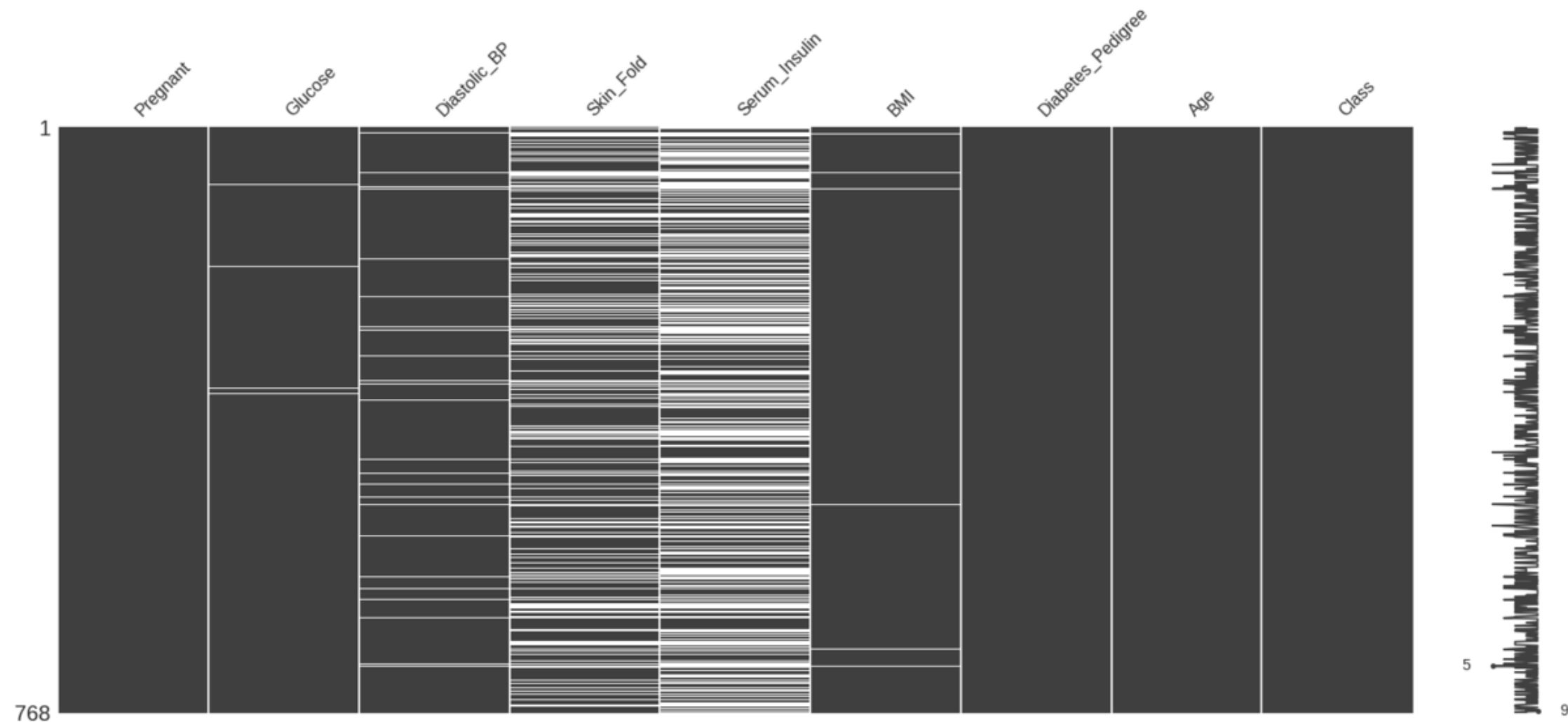
## *Definition:*

"Missingness has no relationship between any values, observed or missing"



# MCAR - An example

```
msno.matrix(diabetes)
```



# Missing at Random(MAR)

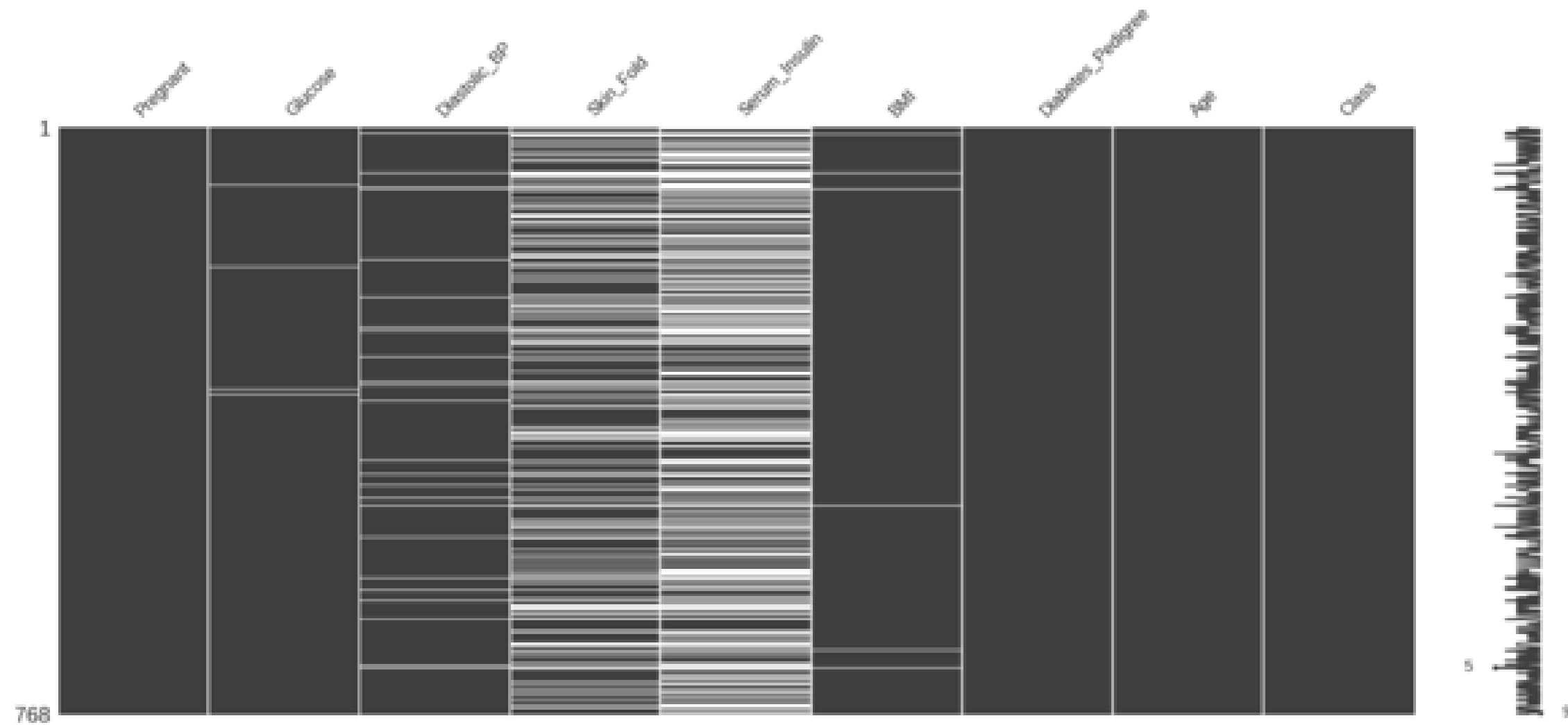
## *Definition:*

"There is a systematic relationship between missingness and other observed data, but not the missing data"



# MAR - An example

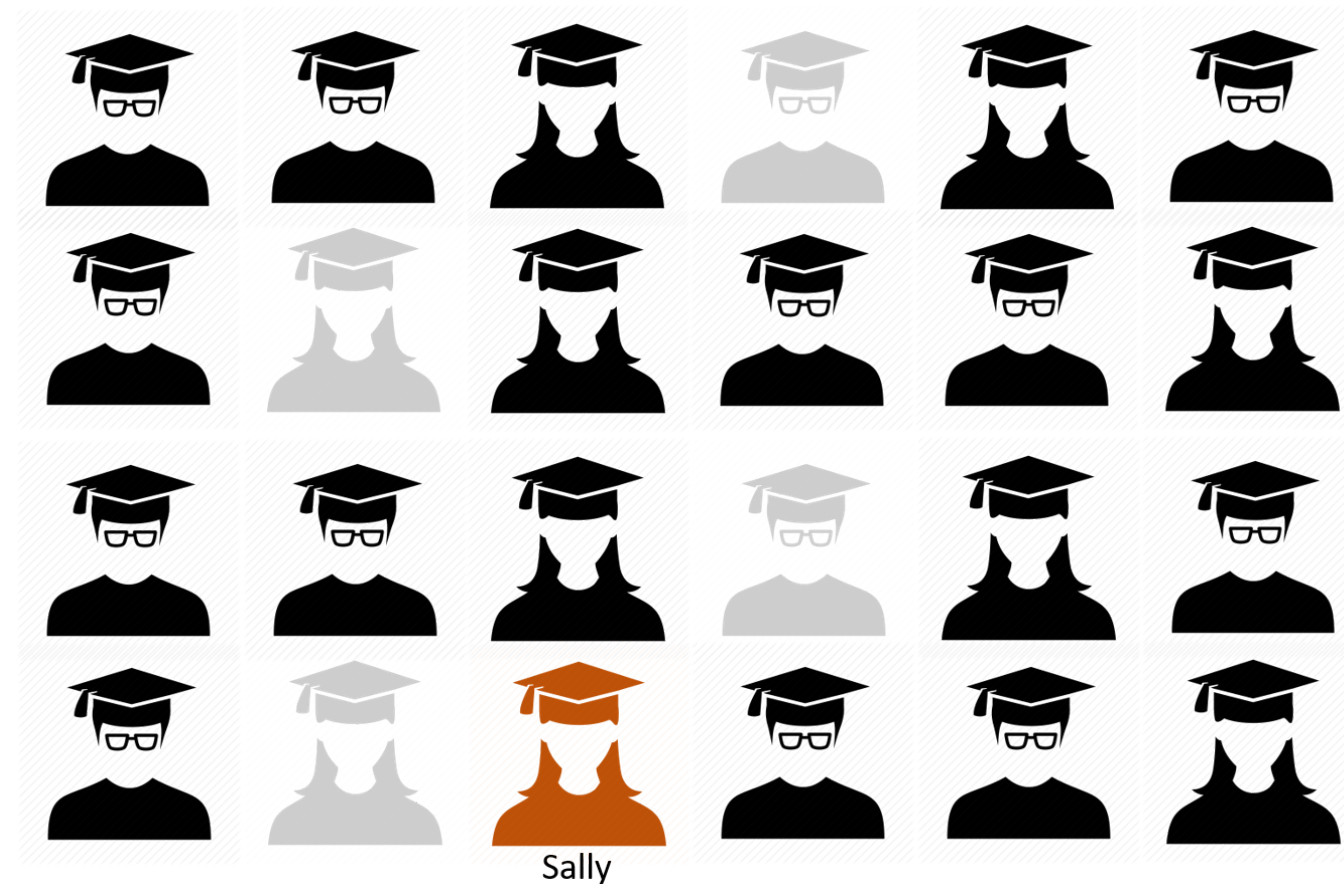
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```



# Missing not at Random(MNAR)

## *Definition:*

"There is a relationship between missingness and its values, missing or non-missing"

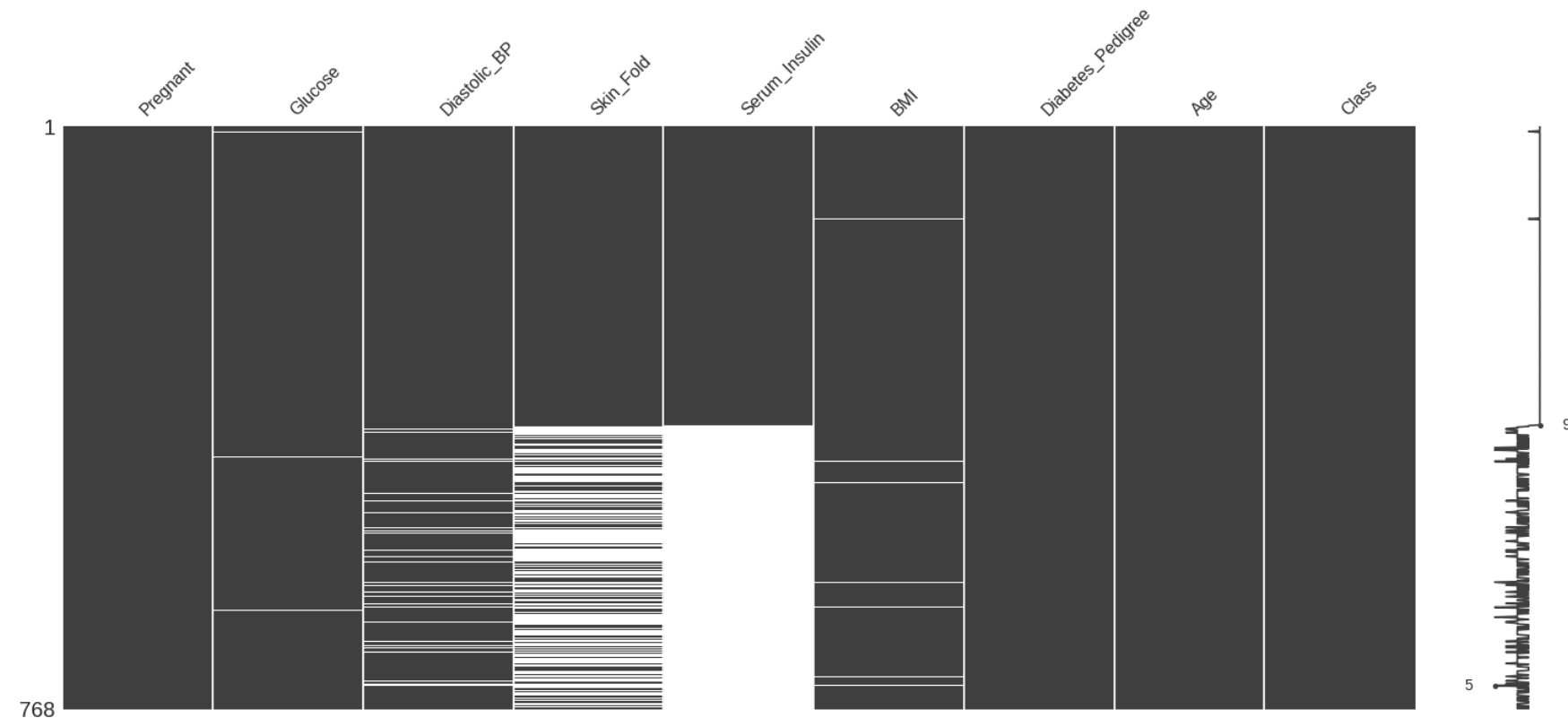




# MNAR - An example

- Missingness pattern of the `diabetes` sorted by `Serum_Insulin`

```
sorted = diabetes.sort_values('Serum_Insulin')  
msno.matrix(sorted)
```



# Summary

- Possible reasons for missingness
  - Missing Completely at Random (MCAR),
  - Missing at Random (MAR) or
  - Missing Not at Random (MNAR)
- Detecting missingness pattern by sorting the variables
- Mapping missingness to MCAR, MAR & MNAR

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# Finding patterns in missing data

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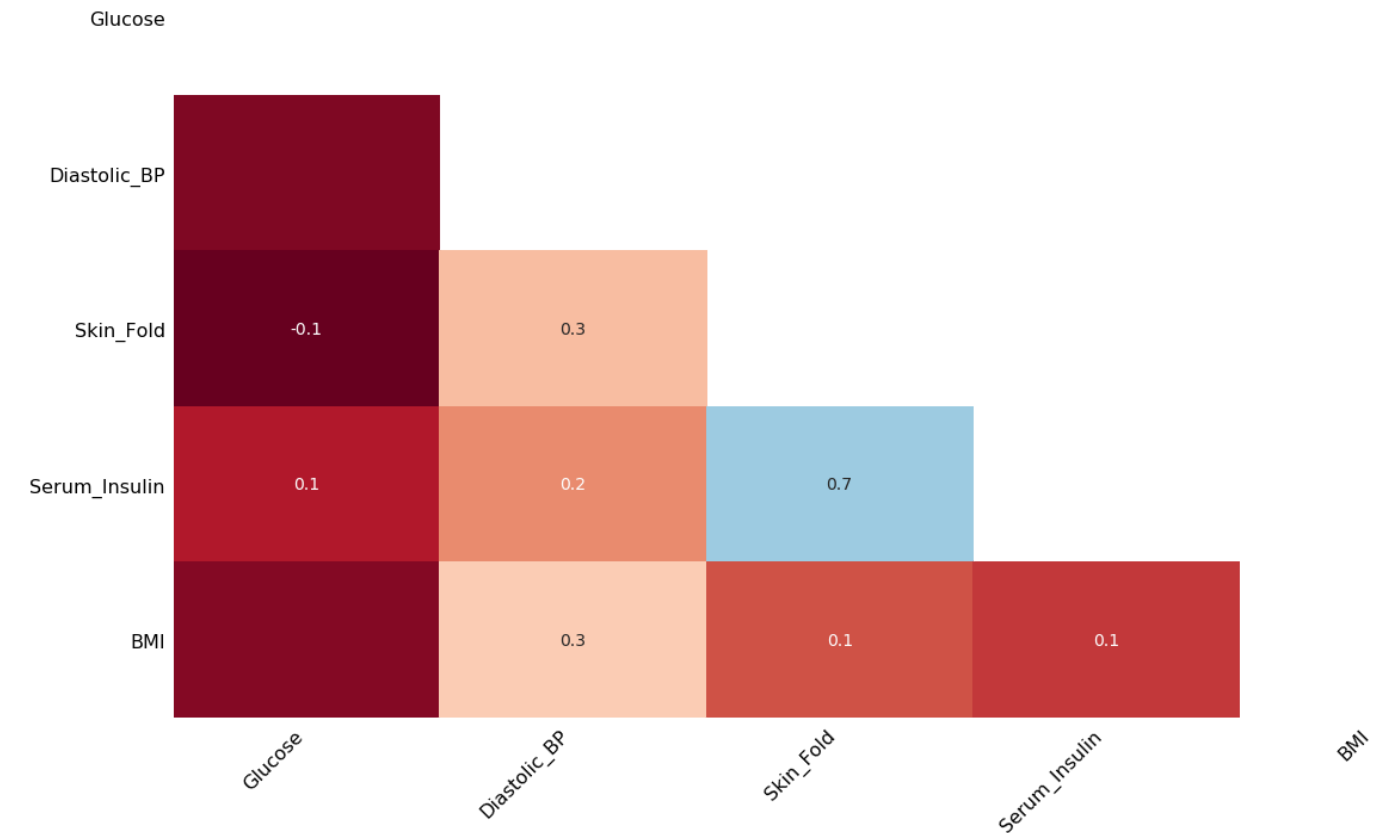
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# Finding correlations between missingness

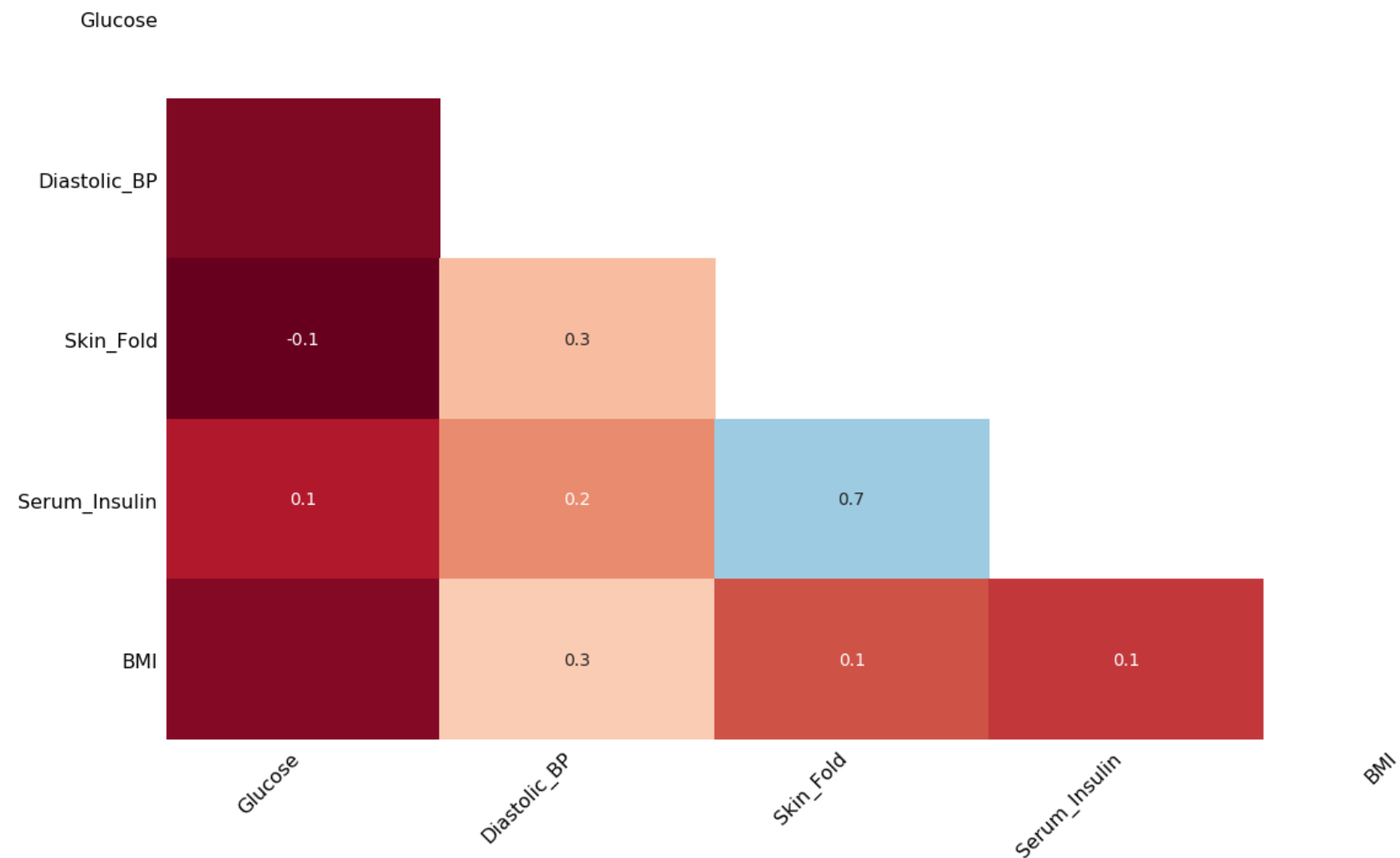
- Missingness heatmap or correlation map
- Missingness dendrogram

# Missingness Heatmap

- Graph of correlation of missing values between columns
- Explains the dependencies of missingness between columns



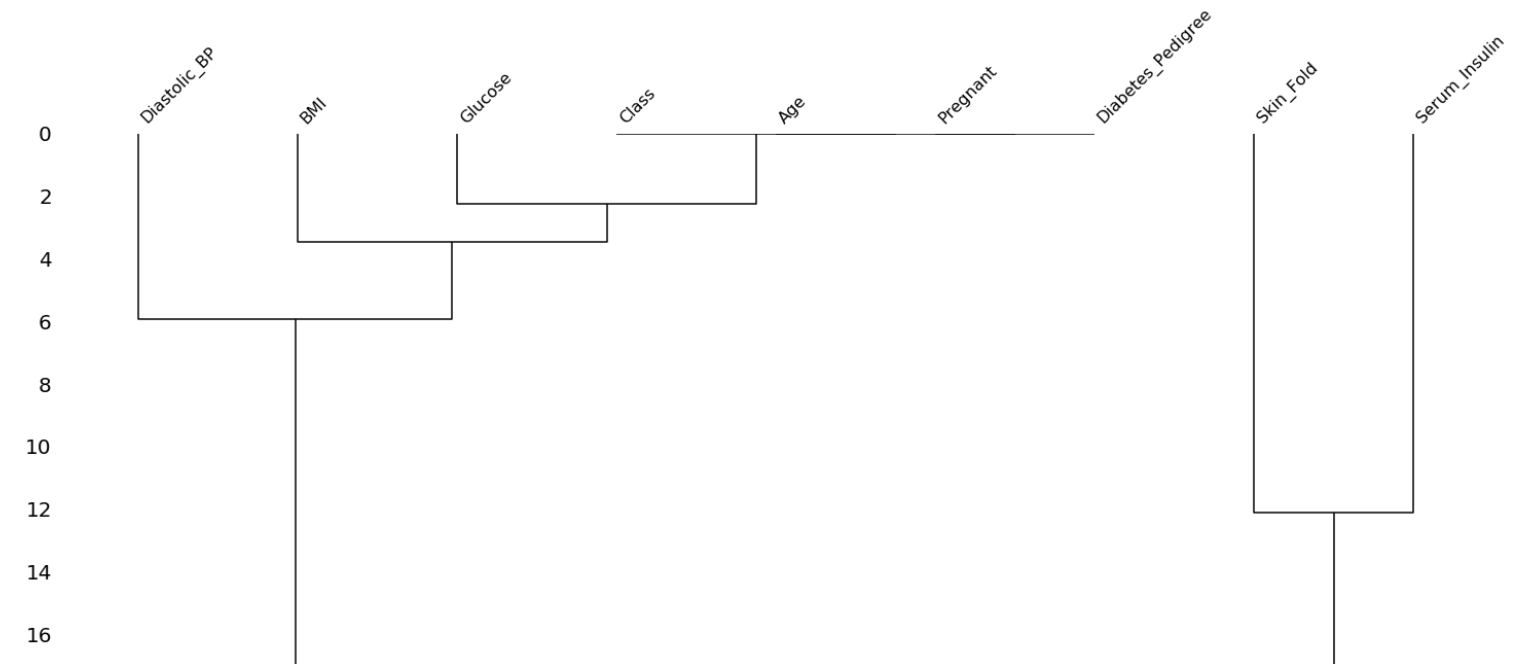
```
import missingno as msno
diabetes = pd.read_csv('pima-indians-diabetes data.csv')
msno.heatmap(diabetes)
```



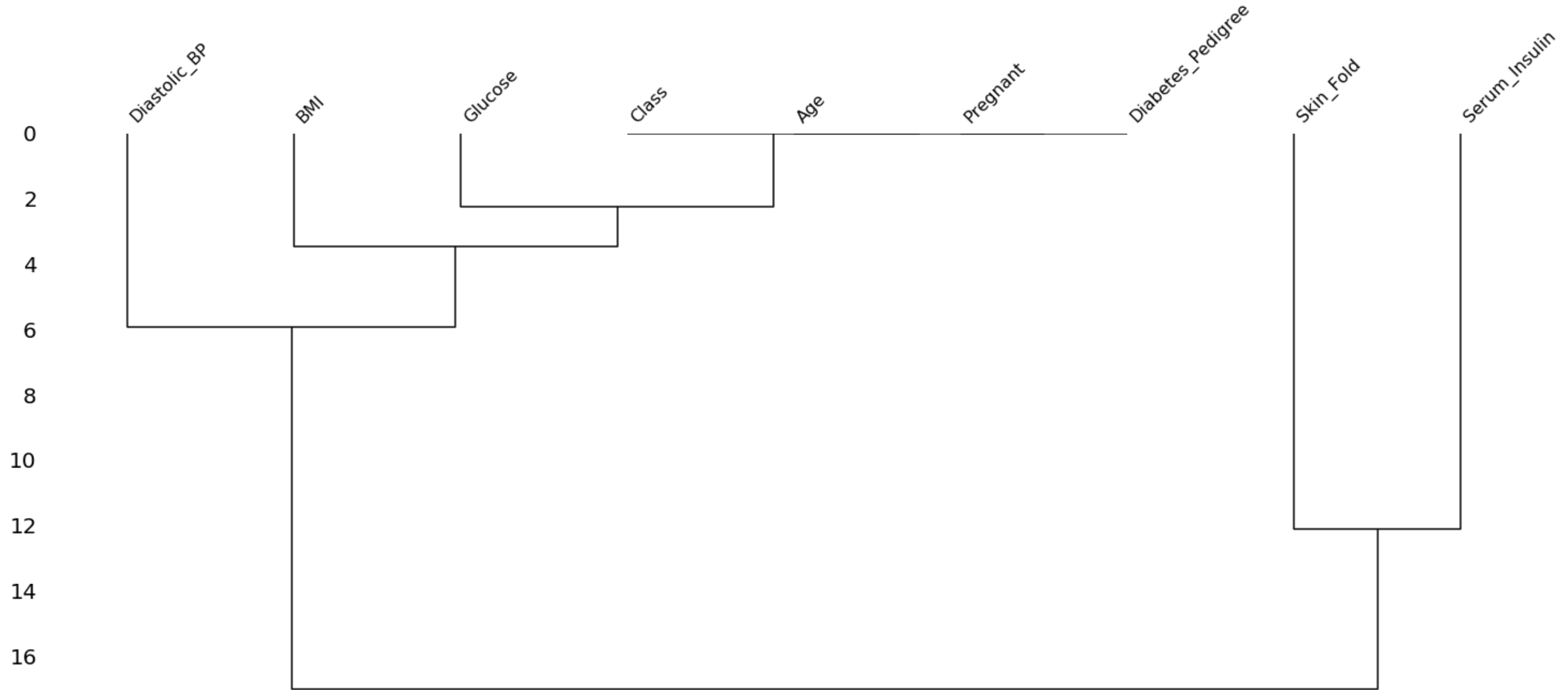
# Missingness Dendrogram

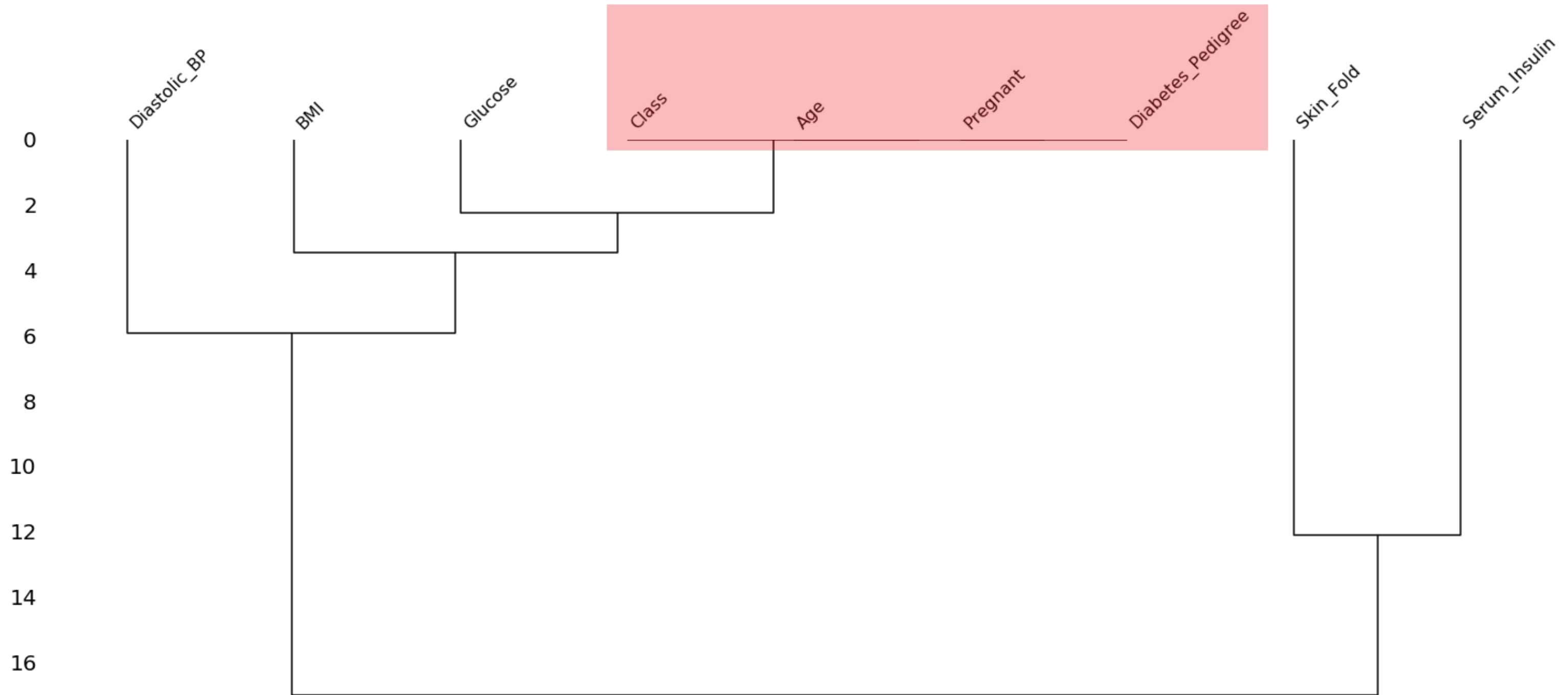
- Tree diagram of missingness
- Describes correlation of variables by grouping them

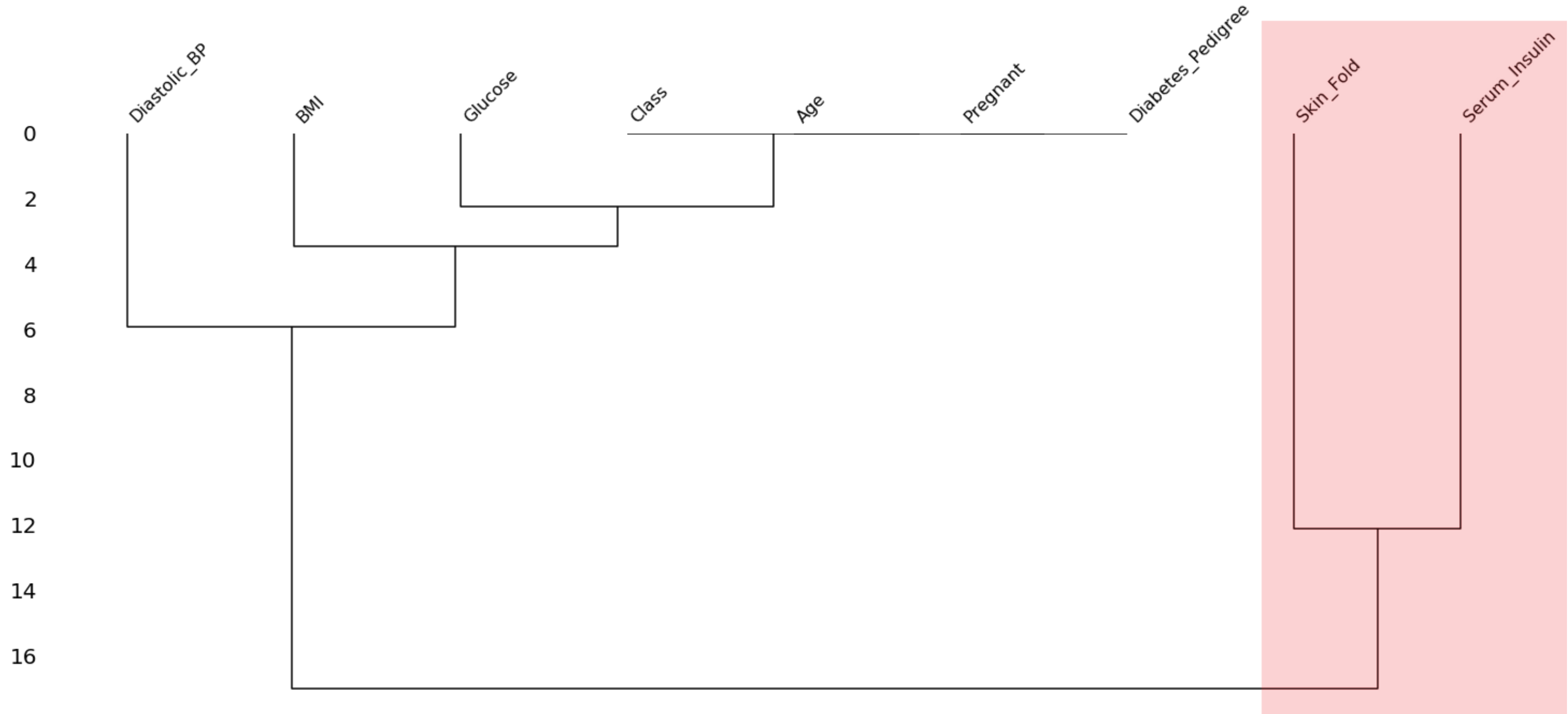
```
msno.dendrogram(diabetes)
```

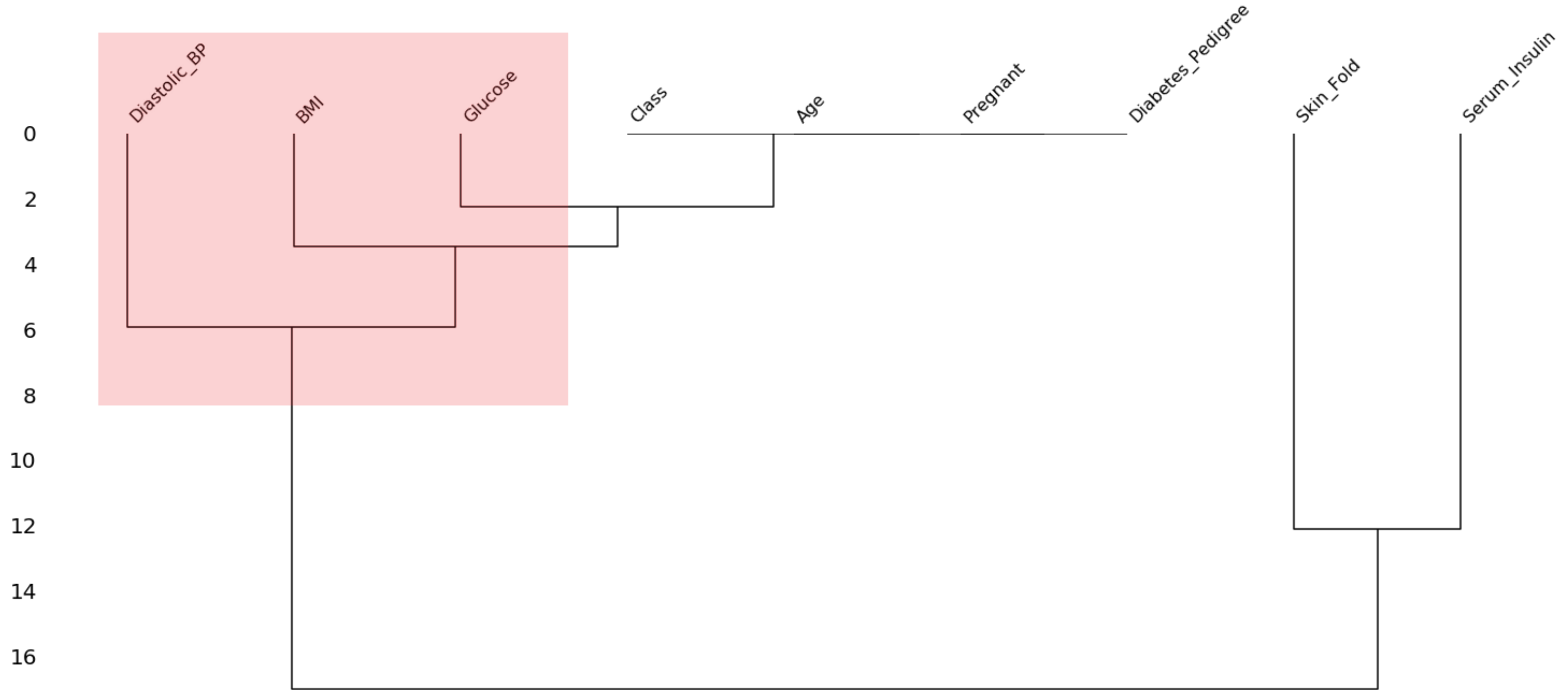












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- Analyze missingness heatmap

```
msno.heatmap(df)
```

- Analyze missingness dendrogram

```
msno.dendrogram(df)
```

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# Visualizing missingness across a variable

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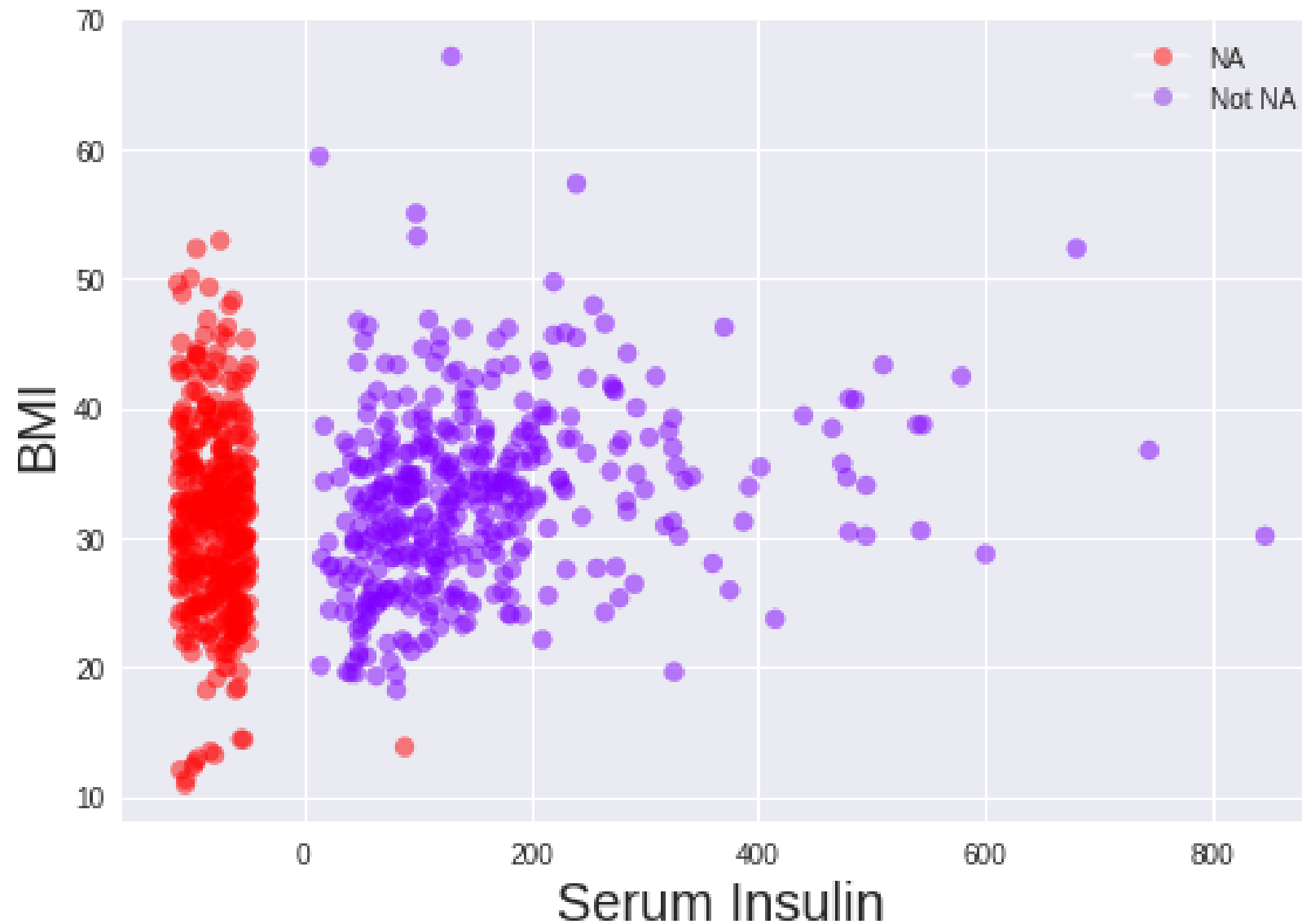


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# Missingness across a variable

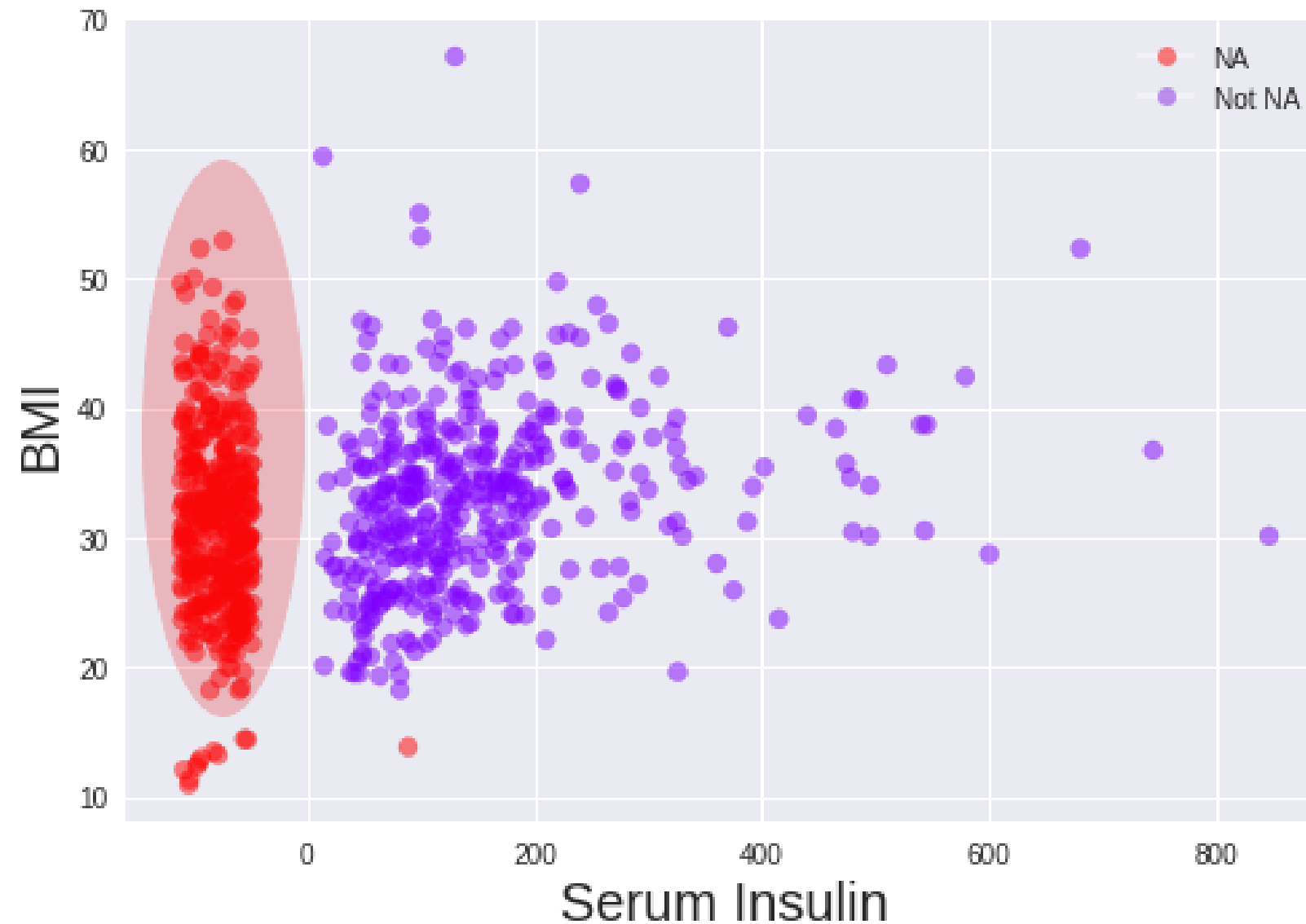
- Visualize how missingness of a variable changes against another variable





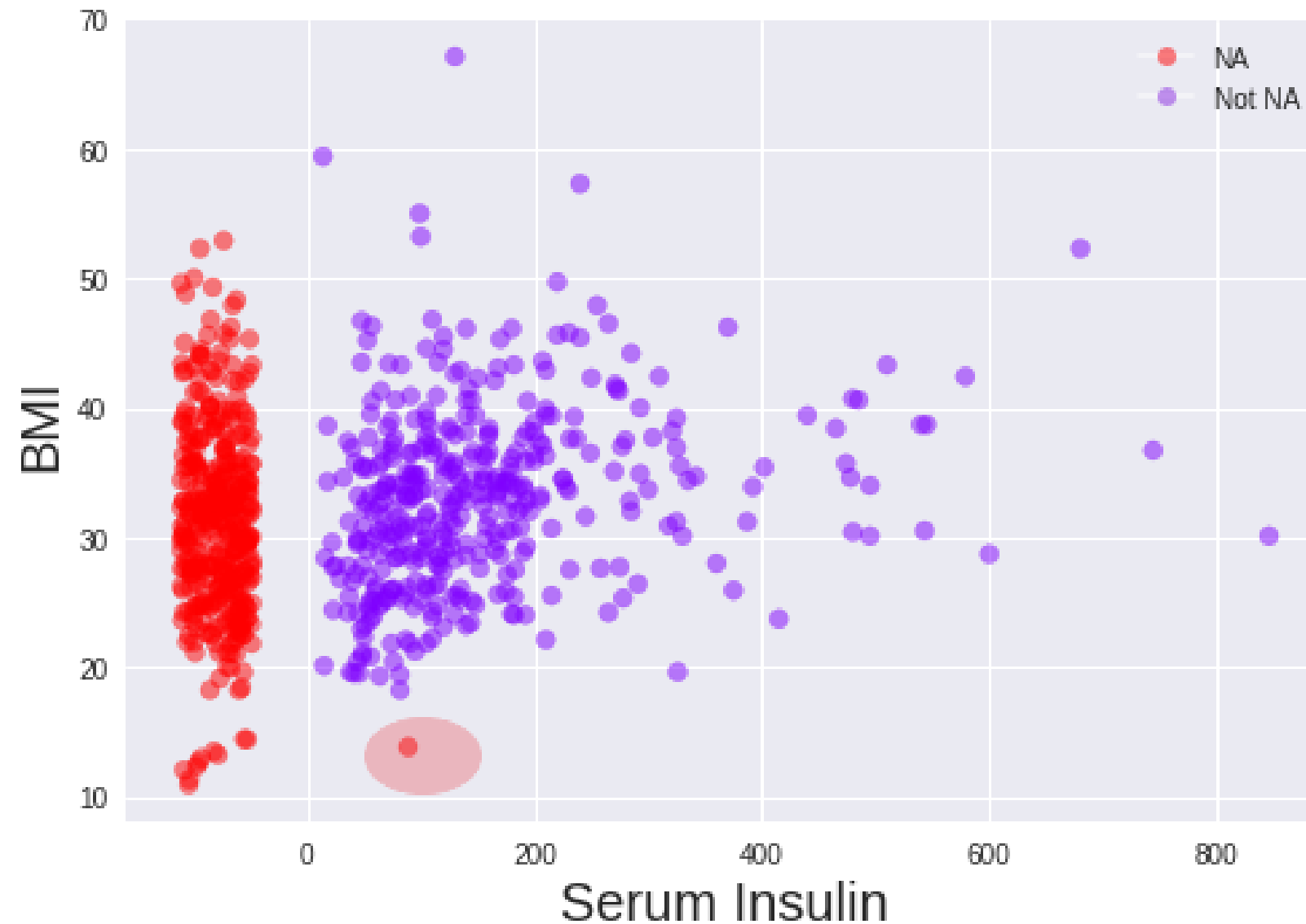
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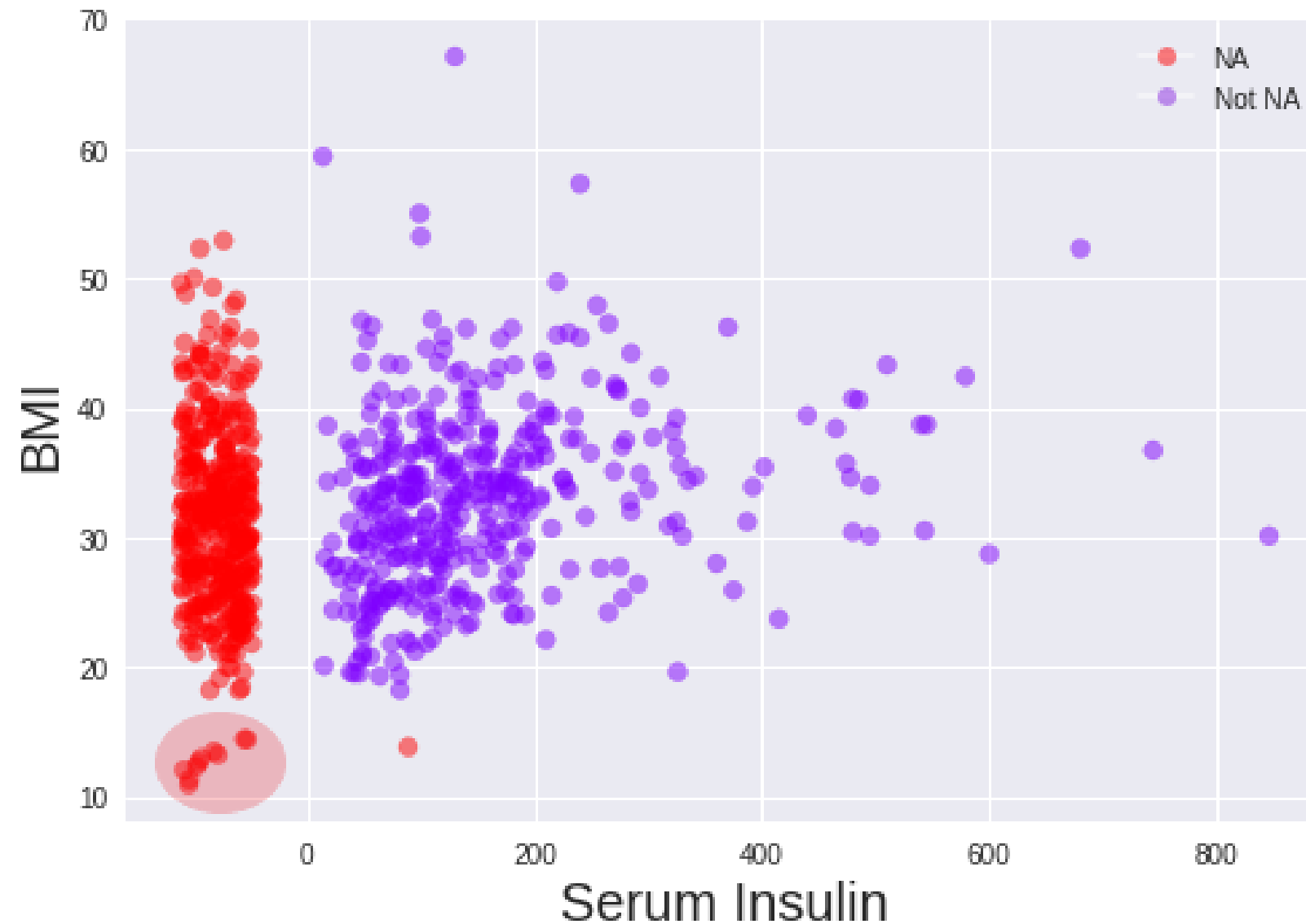
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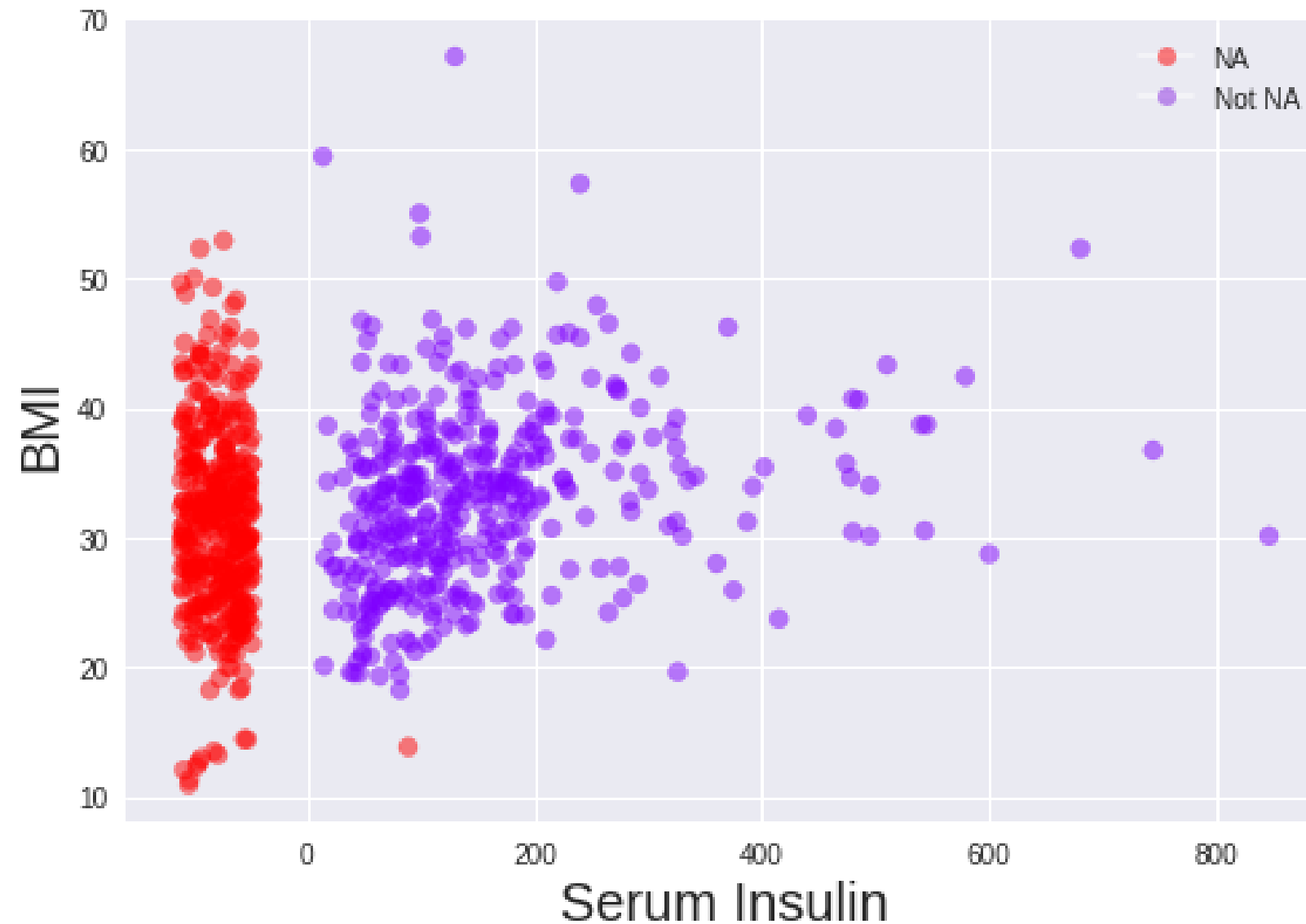
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# Filling dummy Values

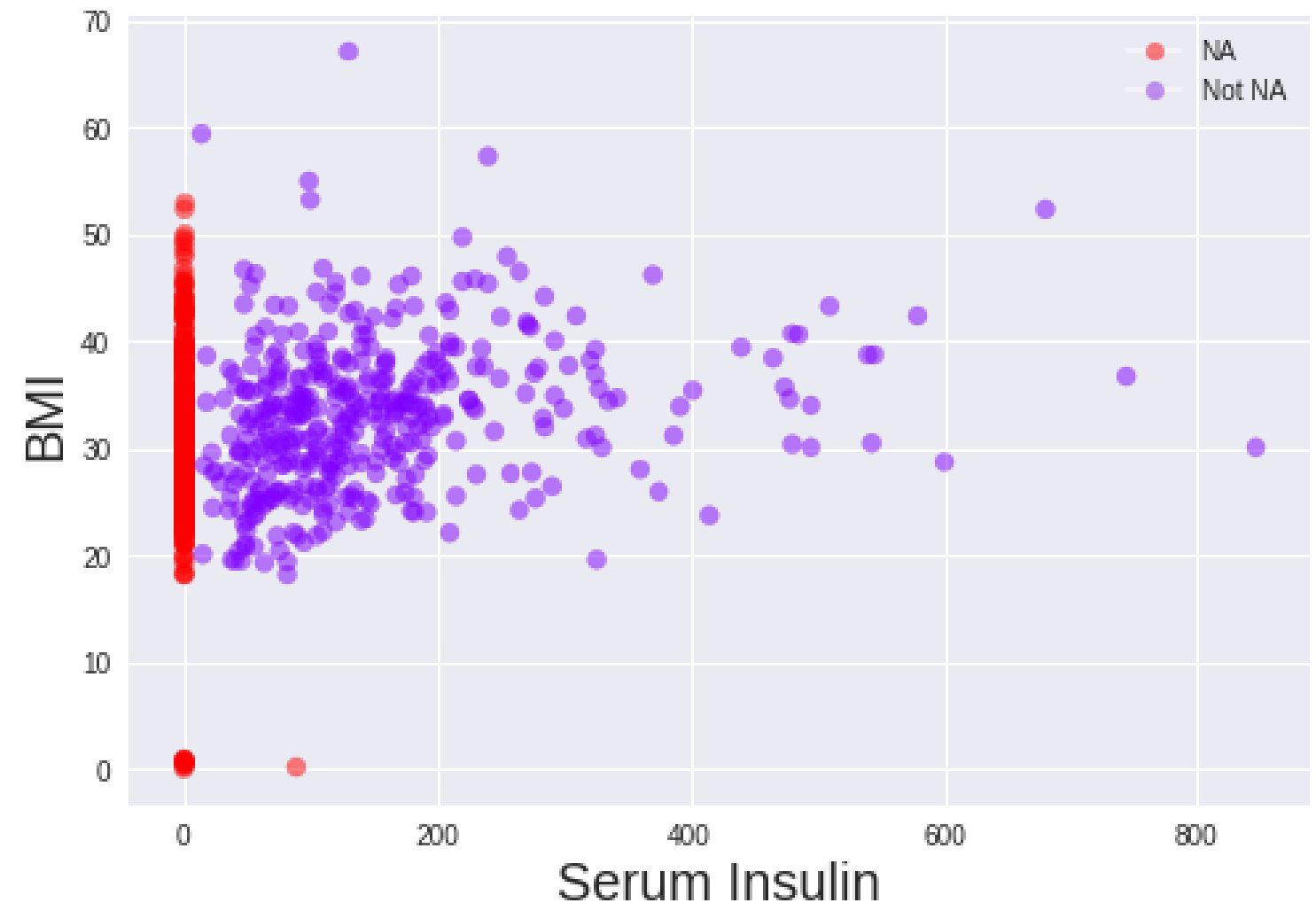
```
from numpy.random import rand
```

```
BMI_null = diabetes['BMI'].isnull()
```

```
num_nulls = BMI_null.sum()
```

```
# Generate random values
```

```
dummy_values = rand(num_nulls)
```

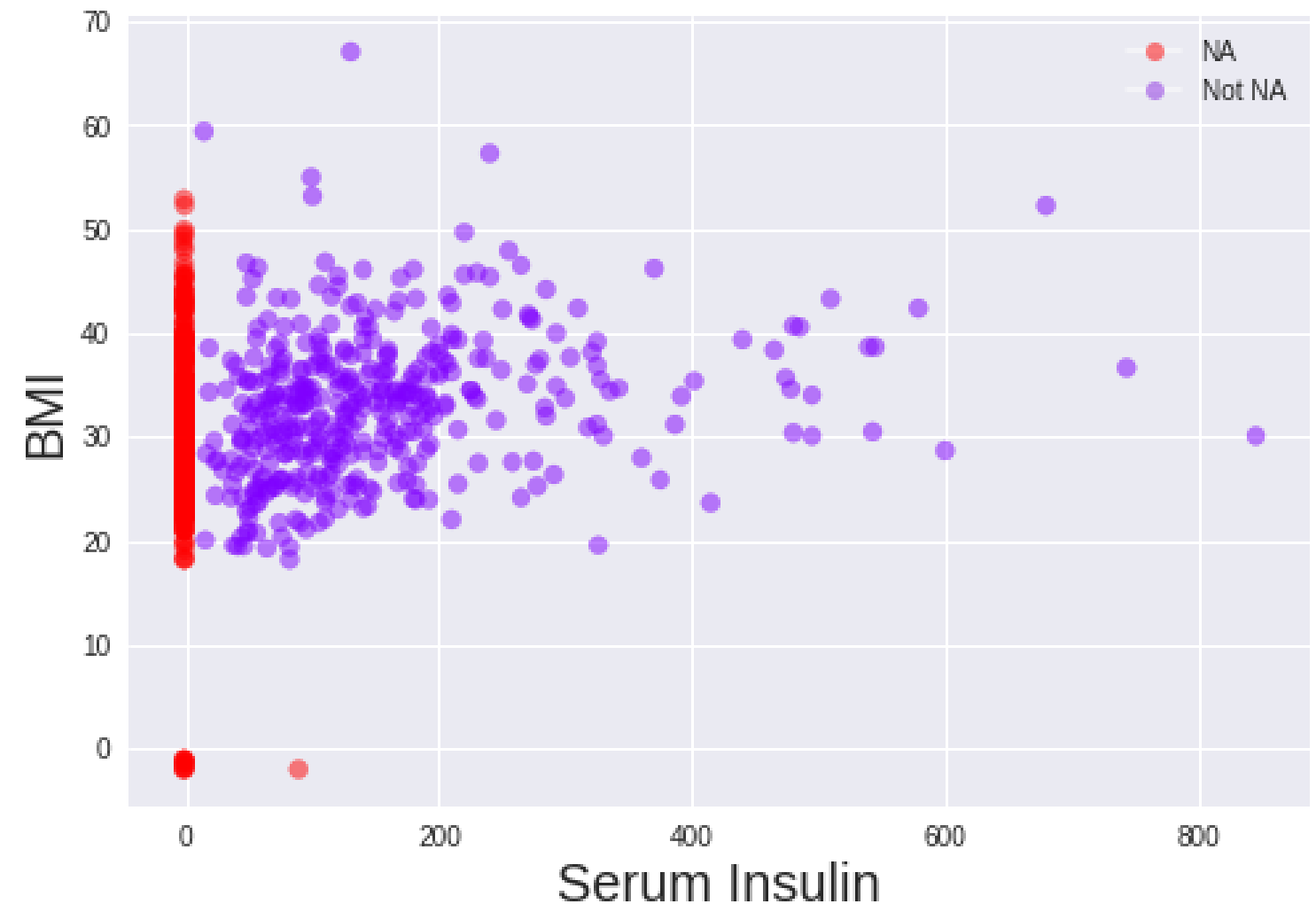


# Filling dummy Values

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from numpy.random import rand

BMI_null = diabetes['BMI'].isnull()
num_nulls = BMI_null.sum()

# Generate random values
dummy_values = rand(num_nulls)
# Shift to -2 & -1
dummy_values = dummy_values - 2
```

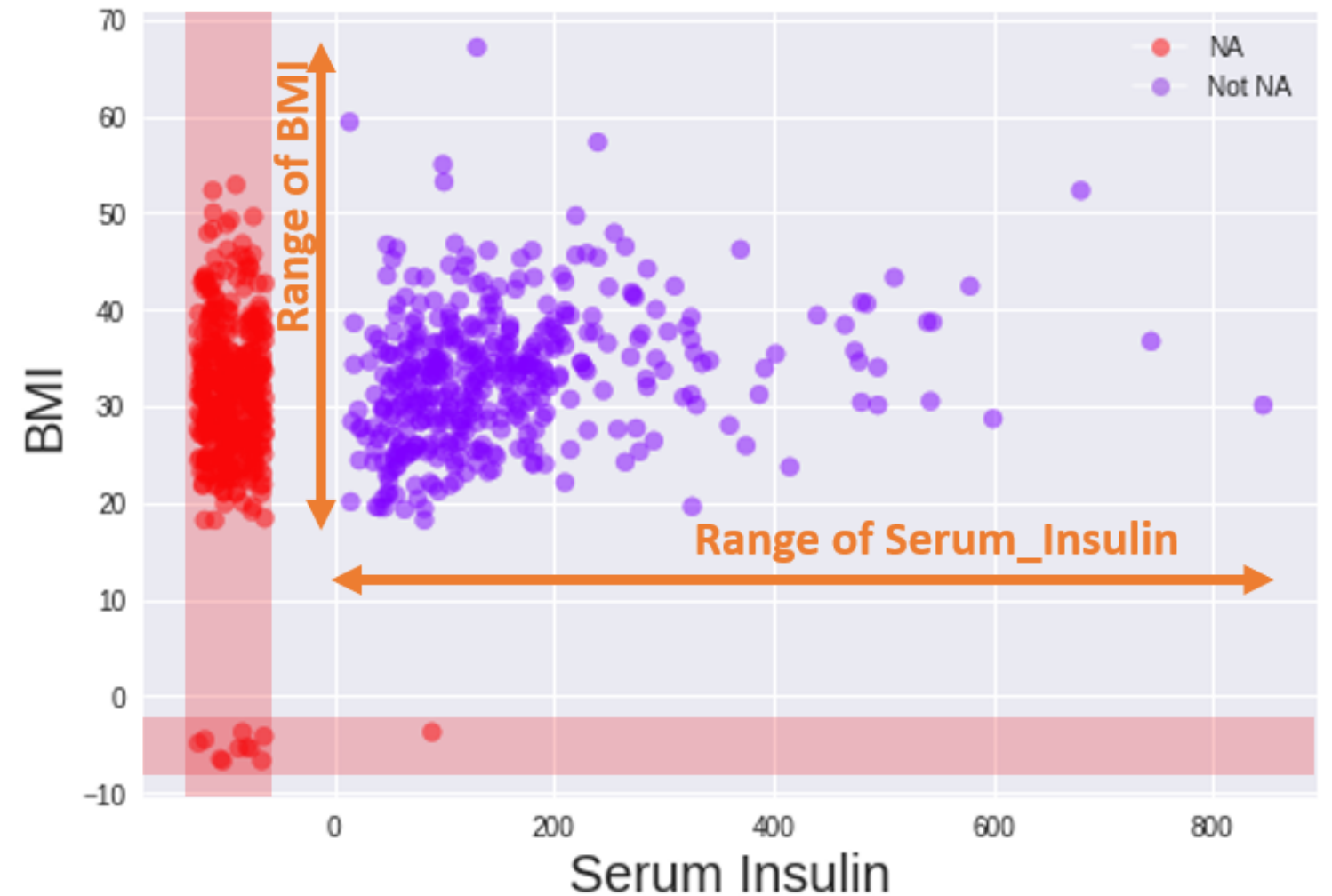


# Filling dummy Values

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from numpy.random import rand

BMI_null = diabetes['BMI'].isnull()
num_nulls = BMI_null.sum()

# Generate random values
dummy_values = rand(num_nulls)
# Shift to -2 & -1
dummy_values = dummy_values - 2
# Scale to 0.075 of Column Range
BMI_range = BMI.max() - BMI.min()
dummy_values = dummy_values * 0.075 * BMI_range
```

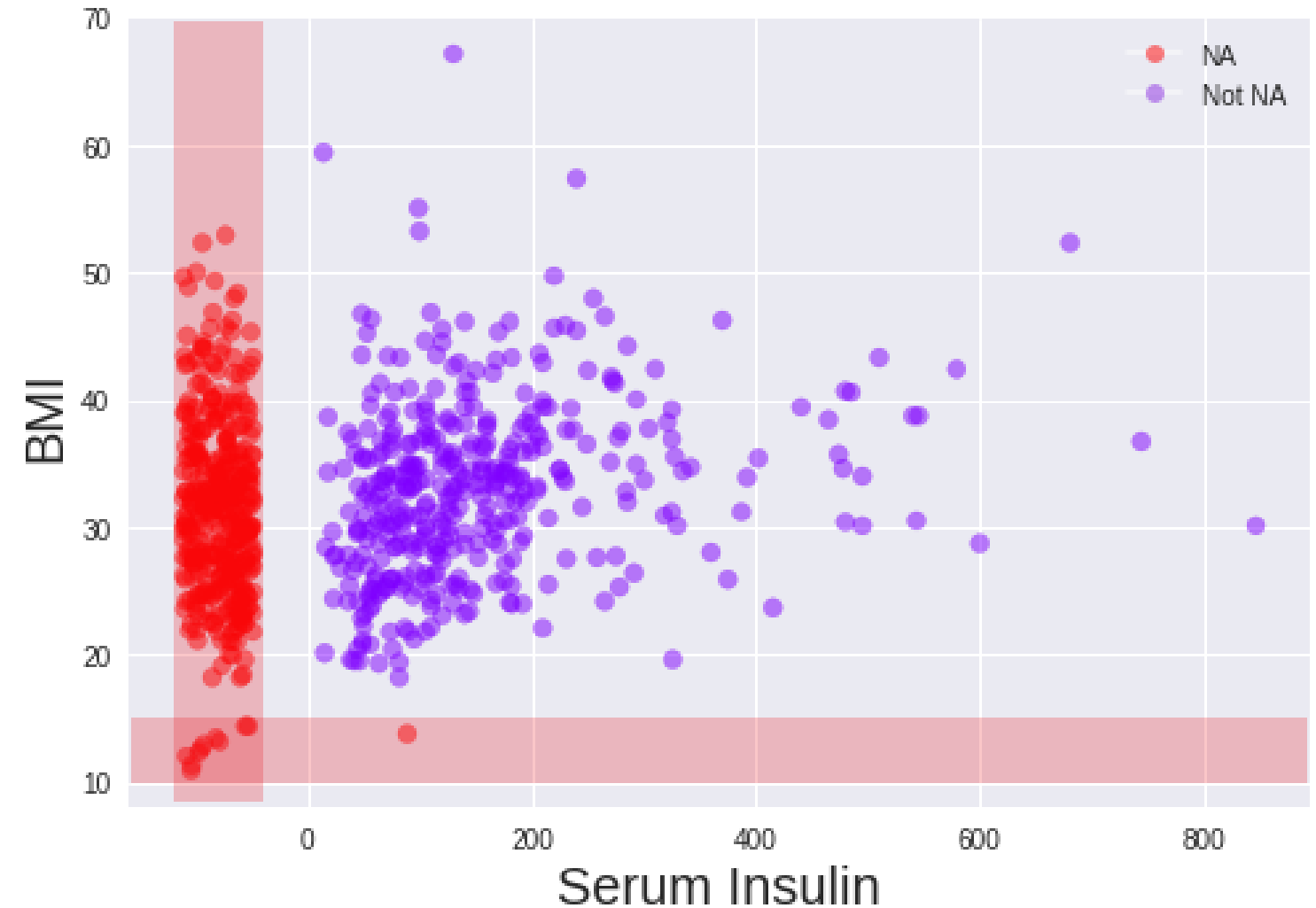


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# Shift to -2 & -1
dummy_values = dummy_values - 2
# Scale to 0.075 of Column Range
BMI_range = BMI.max() - BMI.min()
dummy_values = dummy_values * 0.075 * BMI_range
# Shift to Column Minimum
dummy_values = (rand(num_nulls) - 2)
                * 0.075 * BMI_range + BMI.min()
```





```
from numpy.random import rand

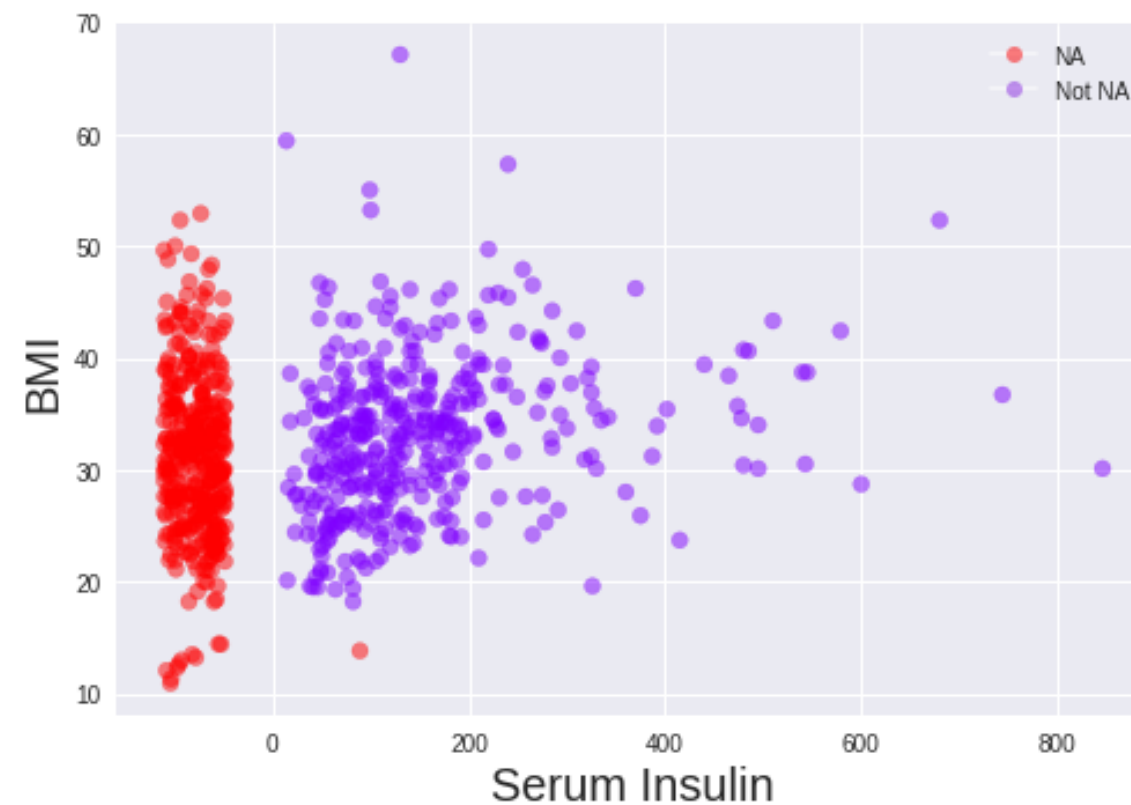
def fill_dummy_values(df, scaling_factor):
    # Create copy of dataframe
    df_dummy = df.copy(deep=True)
    # Iterate over each column
    for col in df_dummy:

        # Get column, column missing values and range
        col = df_dummy[col]
        col_null = col.isnull()
        num_nulls = col_null.sum()
        col_range = col.max() - col.min()

        # Shift and scale dummy values
        dummy_values = (rand(num_nulls) - 2)
        dummy_values = dummy_values * scaling_factor * col_range + col.min()

        # Return dummy values
        col[col_null] = dummy_values
    return df_dummy
```

```
# Create dummy dataframe
diabetes_dummy = fill_dummy_values(diabetes)
# Get missing values of both columns for coloring
nullity=diabetes.Serum_Insulin.isnull() | diabetes.BMI.isnull()
# Generate scatter plot
diabetes_dummy.plot(x='Serum_Insulin', y='BMI', kind='scatter', alpha=0.5,
                   c=nullity, cmap='rainbow')
```

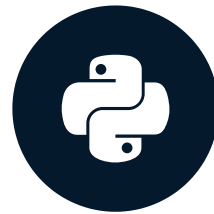


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# When and how to delete missing data

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# Types of deletions

1. Pairwise deletion
2. Listwise deletion

Note: Used when the values are MCAR.

# Pairwise Deletion

diabetes DataFrame

Pregnant	Glucose	Diastolic_BP	...
6	148	72	...
5	NaN	80	...
1	89	66	...
1	NaN	74	...
...	...	...	...
8	183	64	...
6	NaN	68	...

768 rows x 9 columns

```
diabetes['Glucose'].mean()
```

```
121.687
```

```
diabetes.count()
```

```
763
```

```
diabetes['Glucose'].sum() /  
    diabetes['Glucose'].count()
```

```
121.687
```

# Listwise Deletion or Complete Case

**diabetes** DataFrame

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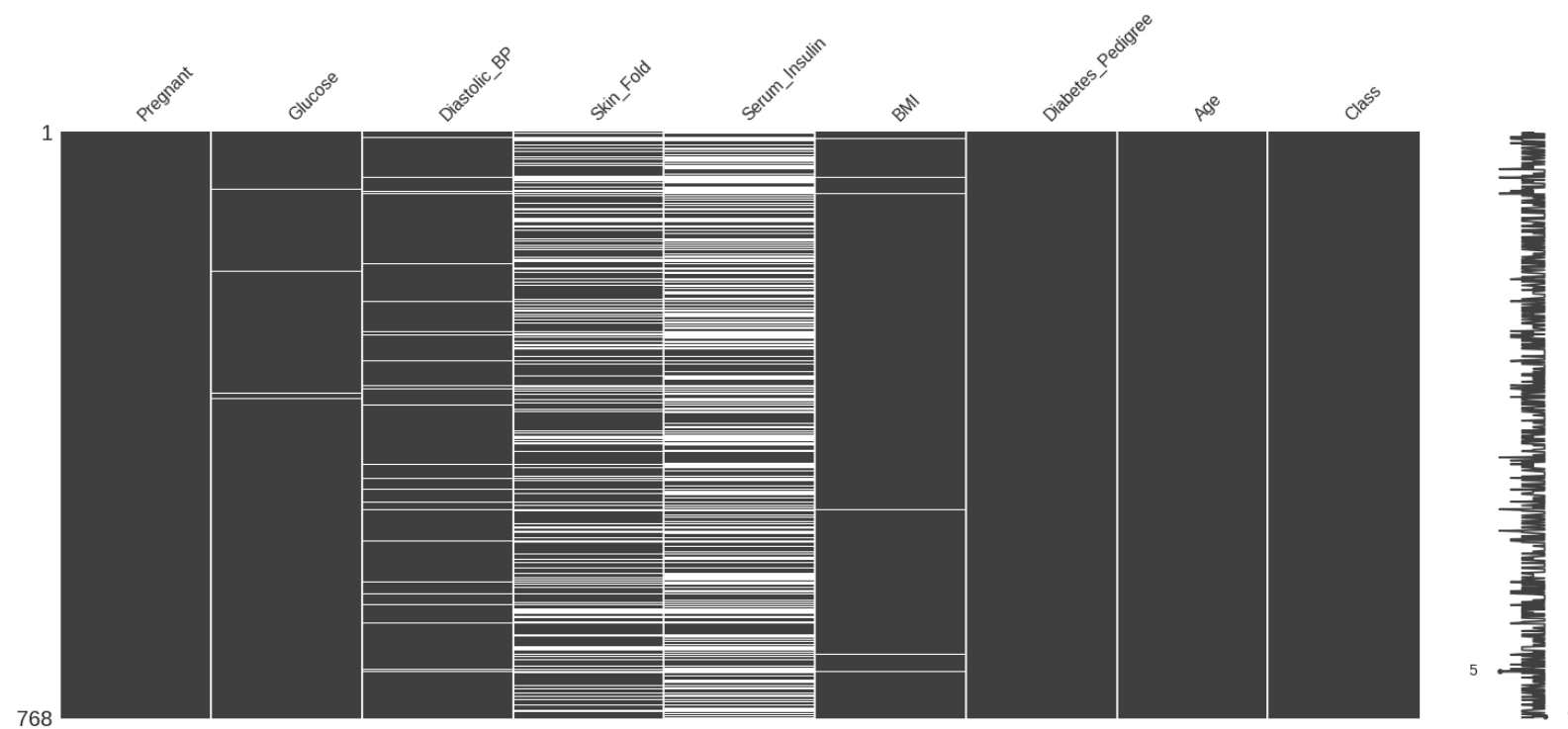
768 rows × 9 columns

```
diabetes.dropna(subset=['Glucose'],  
                how='any',  
                inplace=True)
```

# Deletion in diabetes DataFrame

```
msno.matrix(diabetes)
diabetes['Glucose'].isnull().sum()
```

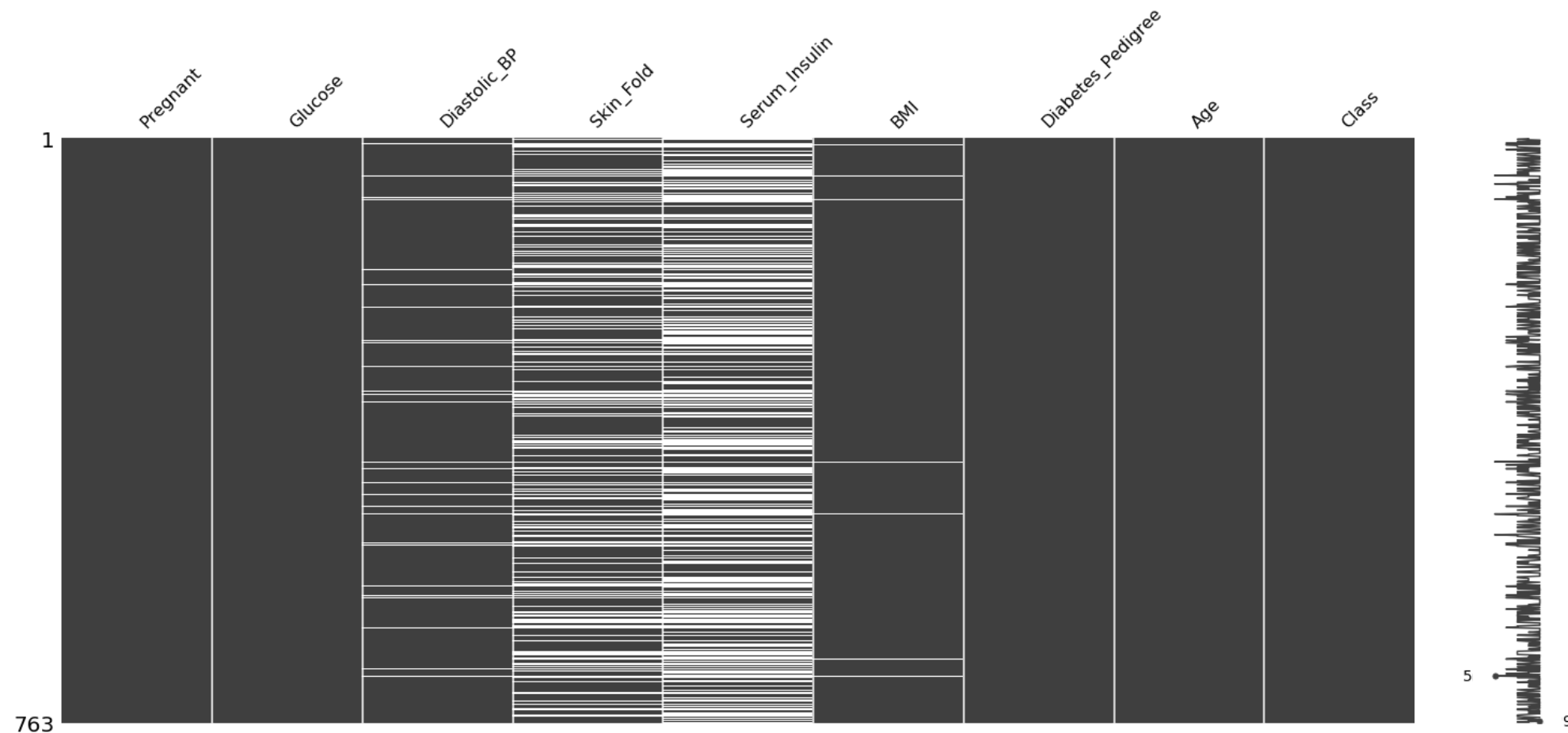
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# Deletion in diabetes DataFrame

```
diabetes.dropna(subset=["Glucose"], how='any', inplace=True)  
msno.matrix(diabetes)
```

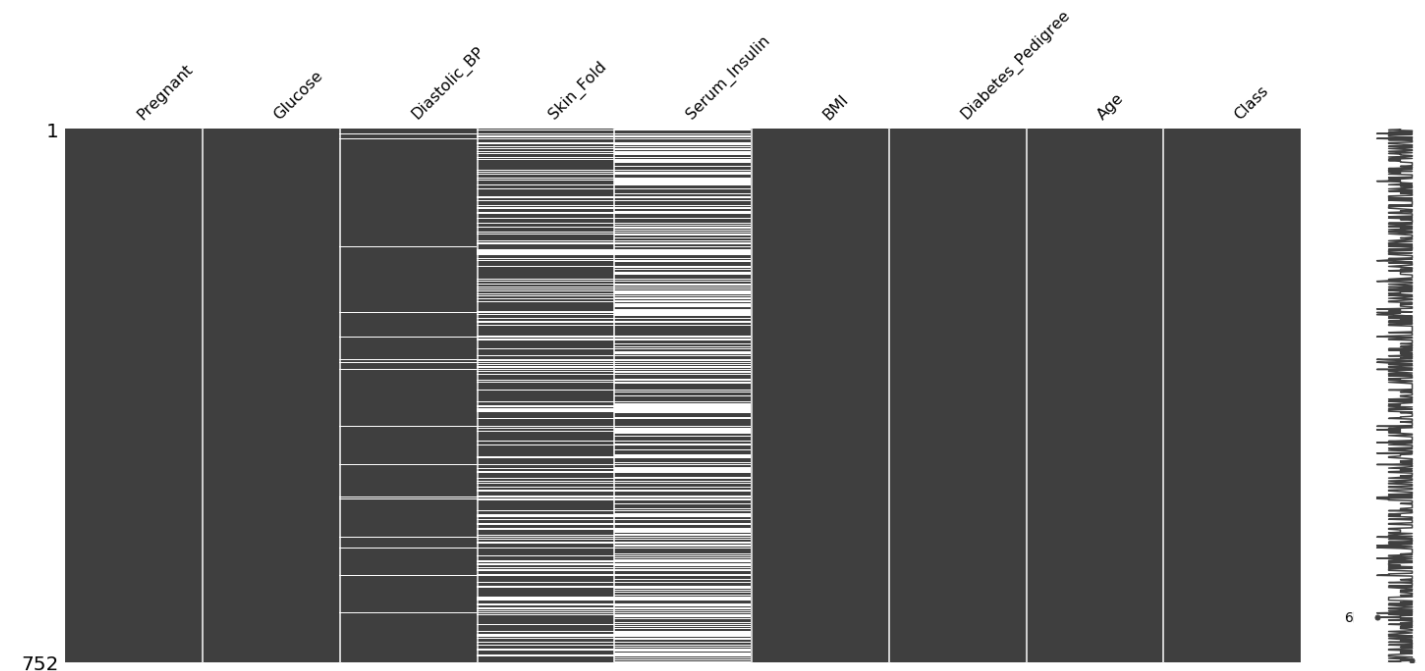


# Deletion in diabetes DataFrame

```
diabetes['BMI'].isnull().sum()
```

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```
diabetes.dropna(subset=["BMI"], how='any', inplace=True)  
msno.matrix(diabetes)
```



# Summary

- Pairwise deletion
- Listwise deletion
- Deletion is used only when values are MCAR

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