Lambda Functions - Lab

Introduction

In this lab, you'll get some hands-on practice creating and using lambda functions.

Objectives

In this lab you will:

- Create lambda functions to use as arguments of other functions
- Use the `.map()` or `.apply()` method to apply a function to a pandas series or DataFrame

Lambda Functions

```
import pandas as pd
df = pd.read_csv('Yelp_Reviews.csv', index_col=0)
df.head(2)
```

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Simple arithmetic

Use a lambda function to create a new column called `'stars_squared'` by squaring the stars column.

```
df['stars_squared'] = df['stars'].map(lambda x: x**2)
df.head(2)
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Dates

Select the month from the date string using a lambda function.

```
df['date'].map(lambda x: x[5:7]).head()
```

```
1     11
2     10
4     09
5     02
10    06
Name: date, dtype: object
```

What is the average number of words for a yelp review?

Do this with a single line of code!

```
df['text'].map(lambda x: len(x.split())).mean()
```

```
77.06551724137931
```

Create a new column for the number of words in the review

```
df['Review_num_words'] = df['text'].map(lambda x: len(x.split()))
df.head(2)
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Rewrite the following as a lambda function

Create a new column `'Review_Length'` by applying this lambda function to the `'Review_num_words'` column.

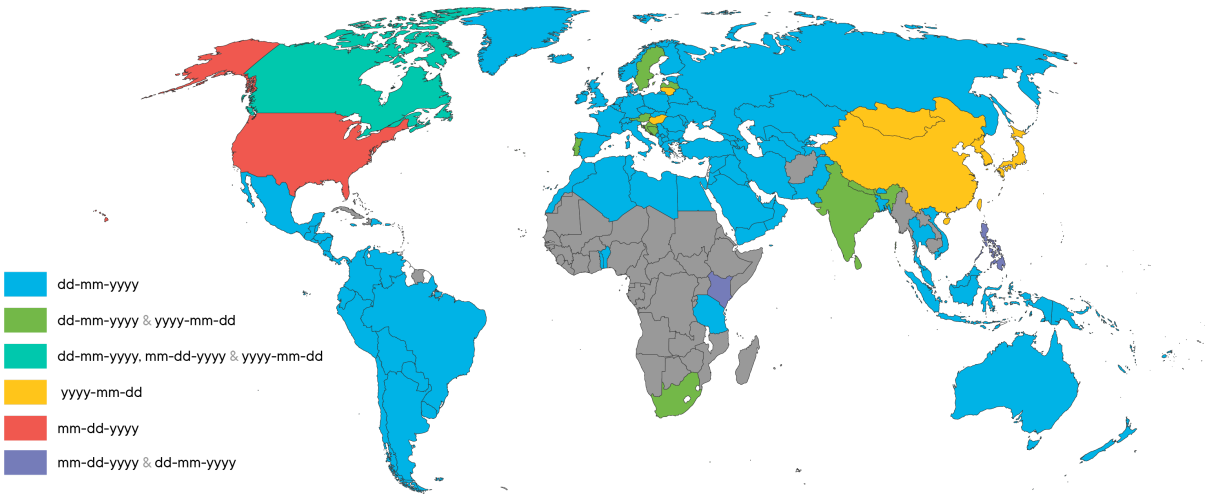
```
# Rewrite the following function as a lambda function
def rewrite_as_lambda(value):
    if len(value) > 50:
        return 'Short'
    elif len(value) < 80:
        return 'Medium'
    else:
        return 'Long'
# Hint: nest your if, else conditionals

df['Review_length'] = df['Review_num_words'].map(lambda x: 'Short' if x < 50 else ('
df['Review_length'].value_counts(normalize=True)
```

```
Short     0.493103
Long      0.294636
```

```
Medium    0.212261
Name: Review_length, dtype: float64
```

Level Up: Dates Advanced!



Print the first five rows of the `'date'` column.

```
df['date'].head()
```

```
1     2012-11-13
2     2014-10-23
4     2014-09-05
5     2011-02-25
10    2016-06-15
Name: date, dtype: object
```

Overwrite the `'date'` column by reordering the month and day from `YYYY-MM-DD` to `DD-MM-YYYY` . Try to do this using a lambda function.

```
df['date'] = df['date'].map(lambda x: '{}-{}-{}'.format(x[-2:], x[5:7], x[:4]))
df['date'].head()
```

```
1     13-11-2012
2     23-10-2014
4     05-09-2014
5     25-02-2011
10    15-06-2016
Name: date, dtype: object
```

Summary

Great! Hopefully, you're getting the hang of lambda functions now! It's important not to overuse them - it will often make more sense to define a function so that it's reusable elsewhere. But whenever you need to quickly apply some simple processing to a collection of data you have a new technique that will help you to do just that. It'll also be useful if you're reading someone else's code that happens to use lambdas.

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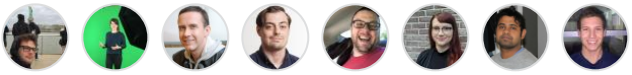

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