Data exploration toolkit for cultural data: structure, clean, visualize, and run a preliminary analysis

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Welcome!

Preface

This is a Quarto book

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1 Organising your data

2 Reading data

The first thing we need to do is loading the data. This means opening the file where the data is currently stored and transfer that data here, in our working environment. As we are working with Python in this Jupyter notebook environment, this means transfering all the data into a Python object. Which object? There are Python libraries (Python code written by other developers) that have been specifically designed to perform the task of data analysis. One of these libraries, or ("Pythonically" speaking) packages, is called pandas. We will use one of the many pandas functions to read our .csv (coma separated values file) file and we will store the information into a pandas DataFrame.

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```
import pandas as pd
data_file = 'data/data.csv'
df = pd.read_csv(data_file)
print(type(df))
```

<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>

We managed to transfer our data into a Python object, specifically a pandas.core.frame.DataFrame, or simply (from now on) a DataFrame. However, a lot of things can go wrong when going from one format to another, so it is a good idea to have a first look at the data.

```
df.head(10)
```

	Year of arrival at port of disembarkation	Voyage ID	Vessel name	Voyage itinerary imputed port
0	1714.0	16109	Freeke Gally	Bristol
1	1713.0	16110	Greyhound Gally	Bristol
2	1714.0	16111	Jacob	Bristol

	Year of arrival at port of disembarkation	Voyage ID	Vessel name	Voyage itinerary imputed port
3	1714.0	16112	Jason Gally	Bristol
4	1713.0	16113	Lawford Gally	Bristol
5	1714.0	16114	Mercy Gally	Bristol
6	1714.0	16115	Mermaid Gally	Bristol
7	1713.0	16116	Morning Star	Bristol
8	1714.0	16117	Peterborough	Bristol
9	1713.0	16118	Resolution	Bristol

Comparing what we see here with our .csv file it seems that everything went well. We have the data organised in rows and columns. Each column has a name and each row and index. Looking at our data, some values are numbers, some are names and places, some contain htmlo tags, some are NaN. It is not time yet to run data analysis, after having loaded the data we still need to correctly interpret the information it contains, then we need to "clean" it, and after that, finally, we can proceed with some data analysis. This is just the beginning, but the best is yet to come!

3 Exploring data

Previous steps

```
import pandas as pd
data_file = 'data/data.csv'
df = pd.read_csv(data_file)

df.head(5)
```

	Year of arrival at port of disembarkation	Voyage ID	Vessel name	Voyage itinerary imputed port
0	1714.0	16109	Freeke Gally	Bristol
1	1713.0	16110	Greyhound Gally	Bristol
2	1714.0	16111	Jacob	Bristol
3	1714.0	16112	Jason Gally	Bristol
4	1713.0	16113	Lawford Gally	Bristol

Now that we correctly loaded our data in our working environment, it is time to figure out what the data contains. It is always a good idea to look at the dataset documentation (or metadata) to understand where the data comes from, what is the source of all the different records, how data has been collected, and any other possible data related caveat. Diving into the data documentation is up to you, in this chapter what we want to do is understanding as much as we can from the data itself, looking at its columns, rows, and values. Every dataset tells a story. You may think about it like a person with a long experience, but not really willing to talk (well, some datasets "talk" more easily than others). It is your role in this case to "interrogate" the data, let it to talk, to tell a story and to dive into the details of that story, getting as much information as you can. This also depends on how much you need to know: will you be satisfied by a small "chat" or you need to know all kind of details? Let's formulate some questions to begin with.

```
df.shape

(36151, 9)

solution = 'Our DataFrame contains data distributed in 36151 rows and 9 columns. '
question_box(solution=solution)
```

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It is a quite big dataset. Shall we care about how big is our dataset? We should as this may affect our analysis. For example, if we implement a scientific analysis that requires 1 second per row to produce an output, such program would take about 10hrs to analyse the entire dataset, and that is something we should keep in mind. That is why, in general, it is a good idea to test large analysis programs on a small sub-set of data and then, once verified that everything runs smoothly, to perform the analysis on the entire dataset.

Let's continue exploring our DataFrame. We have 9 columns, we saw them displayed in our notebook and, luckily enough, their names are pretty descriptive, therefore, in this case, it is quite intuitive to understand what kind of information they contain. It could be useful to store the column names inside a Python variable and to display their names with a corresponding index (this will be useful later).

```
column_names = df.columns
print(column_names)
i=0
print("Index ) Column name")
for name in column_names:
    print(i,")",name)
    i = i + 1
```

- 0) Year of arrival at port of disembarkation
- 1) Voyage ID
- 2) Vessel name
- 3) Voyage itinerary imputed port where began (ptdepimp) place
- 4) Voyage itinerary imputed principal place of slave purchase (mjbyptimp)
- 5) Voyage itinerary imputed principal port of slave disembarkation (mjslptimp) place
- 6) VOYAGEID2
- 7) Captives arrived at 1st port
- 8) Captain's name

Now we have the column names nicely listed from top to bottom and with their corresponding index assigned to them. You might be tempted to start the indexing from 1, but as in Python the first element of a list (or any other series of elements) has index 0, we started counting from zero. You can obtain the same result with less lines of code, try it out!

```
print("Index) Column name")
for i,name in enumerate(column_names):
    print(f"{i}) {name}")
```

Index) Column name

- 0) Year of arrival at port of disembarkation
- 1) Voyage ID
- 2) Vessel name
- 3) Voyage itinerary imputed port where began (ptdepimp) place
- 4) Voyage itinerary imputed principal place of slave purchase (mjbyptimp)
- 5) Voyage itinerary imputed principal port of slave disembarkation (mjslptimp) place
- 6) VOYAGEID2
- 7) Captives arrived at 1st port
- 8) Captain's name

It is now time to figure out what are the rows about. Looking at the column names, we notice that the second one (index 1) is called "Voyage ID". This indicates that this column contains a specific identifier for the ship voyage, implying that each row contains specific information about a single trip. To verify that each row corresponds to a single voyage, we need to check if all the values of the Voyage ID column are different, i.e. if they are unique.

```
voyage_id = df.iloc[:,1]
print(voyage_id.is_unique)
```

True

We verified that all the values of the Voyage ID column are unique, this means that each of the rows of our DataFrame refers to a single ship voyage. Looking at the other columns, we also notice that information where the voyage began, the port where slaves have been purchased, and the port where slaves have been desembarked is provided. Looking in particular at the fifth column (index 4, "Voyage itinerary imputed principal place of slave purchase"), we notice it contains several NaNs. NaN stands for "Not a Number", it is a value that appears when something goes wrong in one of the processes ran by our program. If something went wrong, why did not our program stop or told us something about an occurring problem? Because problems may happen more often than you think and if our program stops working everytime it encounters a situation it cannot handle, it would most probably never finish running! In this case, most probably the record does not exist so the data set cell has been filled by NaN, either in our original .csv file or by the pandas method .read csv(). NaN are not necesseraly something bad, as they can be easily identified and eventually corrected (or simply ignored). Incorrect or missing data may be much harder to spot and correct. In any case, the presence of NaNs or any other missing value can severely affect our data analysis, for this reason before starting analysing the data we need to find and get rid of those values. This process is usually called "data cleaning" and that is exactly what we are going to do in the next chapter.

4 Cleaning data

Previous steps

```
import pandas as pd
  data_file = 'data/data.csv'
  df = pd.read_csv(data_file)
  print(df.shape)

(36151, 9)

column_names = df.columns
  df.head(5)
```

_				
	Year of arrival at port of disembarkation	Voyage ID	Vessel name	Voyage itinerary imputed port
0	1714.0	16109	Freeke Gally	Bristol
1	1713.0	16110	Greyhound Gally	Bristol
2	1714.0	16111	Jacob	Bristol
3	1714.0	16112	Jason Gally	Bristol
4	1713.0	16113	Lawford Gally	Bristol

Now that we got some familiarity with our dataset, it is time to clean our data, i.e. to get rid of all those NaN values and anything else that might effect our data analysis. Where to start? Well, inspecting the DataFrame by eye, we see several NaNs in the first 5 rows of our DataFrame. The first column we see NaNs is "Voyage itinerary imputed principal place of slave purchase", the fourth column (index 5). It would be nice to check if also other column have NaNs. Let's start with the first column, "Year of arrival at port of disembarkation" (index 0), let's check if this column contains any NaN and then we will repeat the same process for all the other columns.

```
arr_year = df.iloc[:,0]
  arr_year_na = arr_year.isna()
  print(arr_year_na)
  print('Total number of NaNs in the first column:',arr_year_na.sum())
0
         False
1
         False
2
         False
3
         False
4
         False
36146
         False
         False
36147
36148
         False
36149
         False
36150
         False
Name: Year of arrival at port of disembarkation, Length: 36151, dtype: bool
Total number of NaNs in the first column: 1
  solution = 'The first column contains 1 NaN value'
  question_box(solution=solution)
```

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In this way we found our that the first column has 1 NaN (or na) value, that would have been quite hard to spot by eye scrolling 36151 lines! It is great that we found 1 NaN in the first column, but where exactly it is located? What's the corresponding Voyage ID of that value?

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df [arr_year_na]

	Year of arrival at port of disembarkation	Voyage ID	Vessel name	Voyage itinerary imputed port
32248	NaN	91909	Kitty	Liverpool

In this way we can inspect NaNs one by one and we can make a decision about how to handle them. In our DataFrame there are thousands of NaNs (as you will see in a minute) and going through ALL of them one by one is not a good idea. Let's first try to figure out if the other columns have also NaNs and how many are they. The process will be quite straightforward as we already did it for one of the columns, so what we need to do now is to repeat the same procedure for all the other columns.

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```
for column_name in column_names:
    selected_column = df[column_name]
    selected_column_na = selected_column.isna()
    n_nan = selected_column_na.sum()
    print(column_name, 'has', n_nan, 'NaN')
```

Year of arrival at port of disembarkation has 1 NaN
Voyage ID has 0 NaN
Vessel name has 1614 NaN
Voyage itinerary imputed port where began (ptdepimp) place has 4508 NaN
Voyage itinerary imputed principal place of slave purchase (mjbyptimp) has 2210 NaN
Voyage itinerary imputed principal port of slave disembarkation (mjslptimp) place has 4191 NaN
VOYAGEID2 has 36101 NaN
Captives arrived at 1st port has 17743 NaN

and if we want to keep in mind the column index of each column...

```
for i,column_name in enumerate(column_names): \
   print(f"{i}) {column_name} has {df[column_name].isna().sum()} NaN")
```

- 0) Year of arrival at port of disembarkation has 1 NaN
- 1) Voyage ID has 0 NaN
- 2) Vessel name has 1614 NaN

Captain's name has 4028 NaN

- 3) Voyage itinerary imputed port where began (ptdepimp) place has 4508 NaN
- 4) Voyage itinerary imputed principal place of slave purchase (mjbyptimp) has 2210 NaN
- 5) Voyage itinerary imputed principal port of slave disembarkation (mjslptimp) place has 419
- 6) VOYAGEID2 has 36101 NaN
- 7) Captives arrived at 1st port has 17743 NaN
- 8) Captain's name has 4028 NaN

At this point we have a general idea of the amount of data missing in our DataFrame. The following question is how to deal with this missing data? There are several things we can do, the easiest option would be just exclude it from our DataFrame. However, in order to answer a research question, we often do not need to use or explore ALL the available information and we would usually be interested in some parameters more than others. In this case our data selection could be performed looking at one or more specific columns. What to do with the rest of the NaNs? We can either leave them as they are and trying to figure out how our analysis program will "digest" these values or find good substitute for them. The value of this substitute will depend on the data type of the columns containing the NaN and on our decision. For example the NaN in the columns containing a descriptive string, like the vessel name or the starting port, could be substituted by the string "unknown". NaNs in the "Captives arrived [...]" column could be left as they are (you may be tempted to change them to 0, but zero captives is quite different from unknown number of captives) or substituted by, for example, the average of captives during the same year. Each choice will have different implications to our final results, the most important thing in this stage is to clearly document our criteria for filtering NaN. In our specific case we will be mostly interested in the data containing the number of captives, so we want to filter our all those rows where the number of captives is NaN. We will then exclude the columns VOYAGEID2 as we already have a voyage ID and it is not listed in the data variable description. To resume, here there are our cleaning criteria: - All the rows not containing data about the number of captives have been removed; - All the NaN values in columns with descriptive information (e.g. names) have been substituted with "unknown"; - The column VOYAGEID2 has been removed from the DataFrame.

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```
# Display the name of the columns first
print(df.columns)

# Select our target columns for clearning the data
column_to_remove = 'VOYAGEID2'
column_to_remove_nan = 'Captives arrived at 1st port'

# Perform Data Cleaning visualising the result step by step
# step1, removing column VOYAGEID2 from the DataFrame
cleaned_df_step1 = df.drop(column_to_remove,axis=1)
cleaned_df_step1.head(5)
```

'Voyage itinerary imputed principal place of slave purchase (mjbyptimp) ',
'Voyage itinerary imputed principal port of slave disembarkation (mjslptimp) place',
'VOYAGEID2', 'Captives arrived at 1st port', 'Captain's name'],
dtype='object')

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	Year of arrival at port of disembarkation	Voyage ID	Vessel name	Voyage itinerary imputed port
0	1714.0	16109	Freeke Gally	Bristol
1	1713.0	16110	Greyhound Gally	Bristol
2	1714.0	16111	Jacob	Bristol
3	1714.0	16112	Jason Gally	Bristol
4	1713.0	16113	Lawford Gally	Bristol

step2, removing all the rows haveing NaN in the "Captives arrived at 1st port" column
cleaned_df_step2 = cleaned_df_step1.dropna(subset=[column_to_remove_nan])
cleaned_df_step2.head(5)

	Year of arrival at port of disembarkation	Voyage ID	Vessel name	Voyage itinerary imputed port wl
0	1714.0	16109	Freeke Gally	Bristol
2	1714.0	16111	Jacob	Bristol
3	1714.0	16112	Jason Gally	Bristol
5	1714.0	16114	Mercy Gally	Bristol
6	1714.0	16115	Mermaid Gally	Bristol

step3, changing all the other NaN into unknown
cleaned_df = cleaned_df_step2.fillna("unknown")
cleaned_df.head(5)

	Year of arrival at port of disembarkation	Voyage ID	Vessel name	Voyage itinerary imputed port when the state of the state
0	1714.0	16109	Freeke Gally	Bristol
2	1714.0	16111	Jacob	Bristol
3	1714.0	16112	Jason Gally	Bristol
5	1714.0	16114	Mercy Gally	Bristol
6	1714.0	16115	Mermaid Gally	Bristol

step4, checking how much data we filtered out
print(cleaned_df.shape)

```
n_filtered_rows = len(df)-len(cleaned_df)
per_cent = (n_filtered_rows/len(df))*100
print('We filtered out: ',len(df)-len(cleaned_df),', corresponding to about', round(per_center)
```

(18408, 8) We filtered out: 17743 , corresponding to about 49 % of our initial data

It seems that because of our filtering, almost half of our data will be excluded from the analysis. This is a quite large percent and we may decide to re-think our filtering criteria to include more data. For example, we could substitue the missing value in the Captives column with an avarage number of captived per trip. For the purpose of our workshop, we will keep the current filtering criteria and keep our filtered DataFrame as it is.

At this point we obtained a "clean" DataFrame, cleaned_df, containing 18408 rows with values organised in 8 columns. We can now start diving deep in the analysis of our DataFrame, we are ready to interrogate this dataset and see which kind of story it is going to tell us.

5 Analysing data

Previous steps

```
import pandas as pd
data_file = 'data/data.csv'
df = pd.read_csv(data_file)
cleaned_df = df.drop('VOYAGEID2',axis=1).dropna(subset=['Captives arrived at 1st port']).f
cleaned_col_names = cleaned_df.columns
cleaned_df.head(10)
```

	Year of arrival at port of disembarkation	Voyage ID	Vessel name	Voyage itinerary imputed
0	1714.0	16109	Freeke Gally	Bristol
2	1714.0	16111	Jacob	Bristol
3	1714.0	16112	Jason Gally	Bristol
5	1714.0	16114	Mercy Gally	Bristol
6	1714.0	16115	Mermaid Gally	Bristol
8	1714.0	16117	Peterborough	Bristol
9	1713.0	16118	Resolution	Bristol
10	1714.0	16119	Richard and William	Bristol
11	1713.0	16120	Rotchdale Gally	Bristol
12	1714.0	16121	Tunbridge Gally	Bristol

```
print("Index) Column name")
for i,name in enumerate(cleaned_df.columns):
    print(i,")",name)
```

Index) Column name

- 0) Year of arrival at port of disembarkation
- 1) Voyage ID
- 2) Vessel name
- 3) Voyage itinerary imputed port where began (ptdepimp) place
- 4) Voyage itinerary imputed principal place of slave purchase (mjbyptimp)

- 5) Voyage itinerary imputed principal port of slave disembarkation (mjslptimp) place
- 6) Captives arrived at 1st port
- 7) Captain's name

6 Data Analysis

It is finally time to ask questions to our data. Let's start with some simple ones regaring the time span of our dataset.

```
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  arrival_year = cleaned_df.iloc[:,0]
  first_year = min(arrival_year)
  last_year = max(arrival_year)
  year_span = last_year-first_year
  print(first_year)
  print(last_year)
  print(year_span)
1520.0
1866.0
346.0
  arrival_year_raw = df.iloc[:,0]
  first_year_raw = min(arrival_year_raw)
  last_year_raw = max(arrival_year_raw)
  year_span_raw = last_year_raw-first_year_raw
  print(first_year_raw)
  print(last_year_raw)
  print(year_span_raw)
1514.0
1866.0
352.0
```

We can keep asking questions about numerical values. We focused on time in our last question, let's focus on the number of captives this time.

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```
n_captives = cleaned_df.iloc[:,6]
  tot_captives = sum(n_captives)
  ave_cap_per_voyage = tot_captives/len(cleaned_df)
  ave_cap_per_year = tot_captives/year_span
  print('Total n. of captives:',tot captives)
  print('Average captives per voyage',round(ave_cap_per_voyage))
  print('Average captives per year',round(ave_cap_per_year))
Total n. of captives: 5082756.0
Average captives per voyage 276
Average captives per year 14690
  filtered rows = len(df)-len(cleaned df)
  tot_captives_ext = tot_captives + ave_cap_per_voyage*filtered_rows
  ave_cap_per_year_adj = tot_captives_ext/year_span_raw
  print('Extimated total n. of captives',round(tot_captives_ext))
  print('Adjusted average captives per year', round(ave_cap_per_year_adj))
Extimated total n. of captives 9981894
Adjusted average captives per year 28358
<IPython.core.display.HTML object>
```

So far we computed numbers, but data can be most effectively described using visualization. In our DataFrame we have information about three different locations: the place where the voyage started, the principal port of slave purchase, and the principal port of slave disembarkation. Let's have a closer look at these locations.

```
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start_port = cleaned_df.iloc[:,3]
start_port_counts = start_port.value_counts()
```

```
print(type(start_port_counts))
  start_port_counts
<class 'pandas.core.series.Series'>
Voyage itinerary imputed port where began (ptdepimp) place
Liverpool
                                3227
unknown
                                2005
London
                                1874
Bahia, place unspecified
                                1815
Rio de Janeiro
                                1464
                                . . .
Mangaratiba
Mediterranean coast (France)
                                   1
Canasí
                                   1
Santa Catarina
                                   1
Portland
Name: count, Length: 176, dtype: int64
  import seaborn as sns
  import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
  fig, new_ax = plt.subplots(nrows=1,ncols=1,figsize=(8,8))
  filter = start_port_counts > 50
  sns.barplot(ax=new_ax,x=start_port_counts[filter],y=start_port_counts.index[filter])
ModuleNotFoundError: No module named 'seaborn'
  main_pur_port = cleaned_df.iloc[:,4]
  main_pur_counts = main_pur_port.value_counts()
  main_pur_counts
Voyage itinerary imputed principal place of slave purchase (mjbyptimp)
Africa, port unspecified
                                                         3177
Luanda
                                                         1447
West Central Africa and St. Helena, port unspecified
                                                         1139
                                                          853
Gold Coast, port unspecified
                                                          787
```

```
. . .
Petit Mesurado
                                                            1
Eva
                                                            1
Pokesoe (Princes Town)
                                                            1
Sassandra
                                                            1
Sugary (Siekere)
                                                            1
Name: count, Length: 161, dtype: int64
  fig, ax = plt.subplots(1,1,figsize=(8,8))
  filter = main_pur_counts > 200
  sns.barplot(ax=ax,x=main_pur_counts[filter],y=main_pur_counts.index[filter])
NameError: name 'plt' is not defined
  main_dis_port = cleaned_df.iloc[:,5]
  main_dis_counts = main_dis_port.value_counts()
  main_dis_counts
Voyage itinerary imputed principal port of slave disembarkation (mjslptimp) place
Bahia, place unspecified
                               1720
Rio de Janeiro
                               1651
Kingston
                               1576
Barbados, place unspecified
                               1524
Havana
                                893
                                . . .
France, place unspecified
                                  1
Santa Marta
                                  1
Dois Rios
                                  1
Maceió
                                  1
Bonny
Name: count, Length: 240, dtype: int64
  fig, ax = plt.subplots(1,1,figsize=(8,8))
  filter = main_dis_counts > 150
  sns.barplot(ax=ax,x=main_dis_counts[filter],y=main_dis_counts.index[filter])
```

NameError: name 'plt' is not defined

```
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```

Let's try to make now a different type of visualization, a time series, i.e. a plot where we see how parameters change over time

```
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```

```
col_to_group = 'Year of arrival at port of disembarkation'
  col_to_sum = 'Captives arrived at 1st port'
  df_per_year = cleaned_df.groupby(col_to_group)[col_to_sum].sum()
  print(df_per_year.shape)
  df_per_year
(298,)
Year of arrival at port of disembarkation
1520.0
            44.0
1526.0
           115.0
1527.0
            46.0
1532.0
           589.0
1534.0
          354.0
          . . .
1862.0 11407.0
1863.0
         6739.0
1864.0
          3298.0
1865.0
           795.0
1866.0
           700.0
Name: Captives arrived at 1st port, Length: 298, dtype: float64
  fig, ax = plt.subplots(1,1,figsize=(8,8))
  sns.lineplot(ax=ax,x=df_per_year.index,y=df_per_year)
  plt.grid()
NameError: name 'plt' is not defined
  max_index = df_per_year.idxmax()
  min_index = df_per_year.idxmin()
  print('The minimum number of captives per year is:', df_per_year[min_index],'on',min_index
```

```
print('The maximum number of captives per year is:', df_per_year[max_index],'on',max_index
```

```
The minimum number of captives per year is: 2.0 on 1538.0 The maximum number of captives per year is: 79472.0 on 1829.0
```

solution = 'The total number of captives is almost constant up to 1650, with the exception and 1622. The number increases steadily up to 1800 and decreases afterwords. The times ser by low and high peek. The number of captives per year reaches its maximum on 1829 with alm that year. The minimum is 2 captives on 1538.' question_box(solution=solution)

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Time series are very interesting to describe the trends of phenomema at different scale. Our plot ticks are separated by 50 years, this is fine to visualise trends over centuries, but we cannot see what's happening on decades.

<IPython.core.display.HTML object>

```
time_filter = (df_per_year.index > 1700) & (df_per_year.index < 1750)
fig, ax = plt.subplots(1,1,figsize=(8,8))
sns.lineplot(ax=ax,x=df_per_year.index[time_filter],y=df_per_year[time_filter])
plt.grid()</pre>
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NameError: name 'plt' is not defined

Summary

In summary, this book has no content whatsoever.

What's next?

Glossaries

Data Glossary

Controlled vocabularies

Standardised sets of terms or phrases used to ensure consistency and accuracy in categorising and retrieving information.

Data cleaning

The process of identifying and correcting errors, inconsistencies, and inaccuracies in a dataset to improve its quality and reliability.

Data harmonisation

The process of integrating and standardising data from different sources or formats to ensure consistency and compatibility for analysis or other purposes.

Data models

Abstract representations defining the structure, relationships, and constraints of data within a system or database.

Enrichment

The process of enhancing or augmenting existing data with additional information to improve its quality, usability, or value.

Graph database

A database structured around graph theory, where data entities are represented as nodes and their relationships as edges, facilitating complex and interconnected data querying.

ID

Identification or identifier used to uniquely distinguish an entity within a system.

Normalisation

The process of organising data in a database to reduce redundancy and dependency by dividing large tables into smaller ones and defining relationships between them.

Relational database

A type of database management system (DBMS) organised around tables and relationships, adhering to the principles of the relational model.

References