```
In []: from dsc80_utils import *

def show_paradox_slides():
    src = 'https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/e/2PACX-1vSbFSaxaYZ0NcgrgqZLvjhkjX-5MQzAITWAsEFZHnix3j1c0qN8Vd1rogTAQP7F7Nf5r-JWExnGey7h/embed?start=false&rm=minimal'
    width = 960
    height = 569
    display(IFrame(src, width, height))

In [7]: # Pandas Tutor setup
    %reload_ext pandas_tutor
    %set_pandas_tutor_options {"maxDisplayCols": 8, "nohover": True, "projectorMode": True}
    import warnings
    warnings. simplefilter(action='ignore', category=FutureWarning)
```

Lecture 4 - Simpson's Paradox, Joining, and Transforming

DSC 80, Fall 2024

Announcements <

- Project 1 checkpoint due tonight. No extensions allowed!
- Lab 2 is due on Fri, Oct 11th.
- Project 1 is due on Tue, Oct 15th.

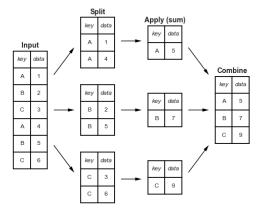
Agenda

- Transforming and filtration
- Distributions.
- · Simpson's paradox.
- Merging.
 - Many-to-one & many-to-many joins.
- · Transforming.
 - The price of apply .
- Other data representations.

Other DataFrameGroupBy methods

Split-apply-combine, revisited

When we introduced the split-apply-combine pattern, the "apply" step involved aggregation – our final DataFrame had one row for each group.



Instead of aggregating during the apply step, we could instead perform a:

- Transformation, in which we perform operations to every value within each group.
- Filtration, in which we keep only the groups that satisfy some condition.

Transformations

Suppose we want to convert the 'body_mass_g' column to to z-scores (i.e. standard units):

$$z(x_i) = rac{x_i - ext{mean of } x}{ ext{SD of } x}$$

```
In [8]: import seaborn as sns
  penguins = sns.load_dataset('penguins').dropna()

In [9]: def z_score(x):
    return (x - x.mean()) / x.std(ddof=0)

In [10]: z_score(penguins['body_mass_g'])
```

```
Out[10]: 0 -0.57

1 -0.51

2 -1.19

...

341 1.92

342 1.23

343 1.48

Name: body_mass_g, Length: 333, dtype: float64
```

Transformations within groups

- Now, what if we wanted the z-score within each group?
- To do so, we can use the transform method on a DataFrameGroupBy object. The transform method takes in a function, which itself takes in a Series and returns a new Series.
- A transformation produces a DataFrame or Series of the same size it is **not** an aggregation!

```
In [11]: z_mass = (penguins
                    .groupby('species')
                   ['body_mass_g']
                   .transform(z_score))
         z_mass
Out[11]: 0
                0.10
                0.21
               -1.00
         341
                1.32
         342
                0.22
         343
                0.62
         Name: body_mass_g, Length: 333, dtype: float64
```

In [12]: penguins.assign(z_mass=z_mass)

Out[12]:		species	island	bill_length_mm	bill_depth_mm	flipper_length_mm	body_mass_g	sex	z_mass
	0	Adelie	Torgersen	39.1	18.7	181.0	3750.0	Male	0.10
	1	Adelie	Torgersen	39.5	17.4	186.0	3800.0	Female	0.21
	2	Adelie	Torgersen	40.3	18.0	195.0	3250.0	Female	-1.00
	341	Gentoo	Biscoe	50.4	15.7	222.0	5750.0	Male	1.32
	342	Gentoo	Biscoe	45.2	14.8	212.0	5200.0	Female	0.22
	343	Gentoo	Biscoe	49.9	16.1	213.0	5400.0	Male	0.62

333 rows × 8 columns

In [13]: display_df(penguins.assign(z_mass=z_mass), rows=8)

	species	island	bill_length_mm	bill_depth_mm	flipper_length_mm	body_mass_g	sex	z_mass
0	Adelie	Torgersen	39.1	18.7	181.0	3750.0	Male	0.10
1	Adelie	Torgersen	39.5	17.4	186.0	3800.0	Female	0.21
2	Adelie	Torgersen	40.3	18.0	195.0	3250.0	Female	-1.00
4	Adelie	Torgersen	36.7	19.3	193.0	3450.0	Female	-0.56
340	Gentoo	Biscoe	46.8	14.3	215.0	4850.0	Female	-0.49
341	Gentoo	Biscoe	50.4	15.7	222.0	5750.0	Male	1.32
342	Gentoo	Biscoe	45.2	14.8	212.0	5200.0	Female	0.22
343	Gentoo	Biscoe	49.9	16.1	213.0	5400.0	Male	0.62

333 rows × 8 columns

Note that above, penguin 340 has a larger 'body_mass_g' than penguin 0, but a lower 'z_mass'.

- Penguin O has an above average 'body mass g' among 'Adelie' penguins.
- Penguin 340 has a below average 'body_mass_g' among 'Gentoo' penguins. Remember from earlier that the average 'body_mass_g' of 'Gentoo' penguins is much higher than for other species.

```
In [14]: penguins.groupby('species')['body_mass_g'].mean()
```

Out[14]: species

Adelie 3706.16
Chinstrap 3733.09
Gentoo 5092.44
Name: body mass g dtype: d

Name: body_mass_g, dtype: float64

Filtering groups

- To keep only the groups that satisfy a particular condition, use the filter method on a DataFrameGroupBy object.
- The filter method takes in a function, which itself takes in a DataFrame/Series and return a single Boolean. The result is a new DataFrame/Series with only the groups for which the filter function returned True.

For example, suppose we want only the 'species' whose average 'bill_length_mm' is above 39.

```
groupby('species')
           .filter(lambda df: df['bill_length_mm'].mean() > 39)
Out[15]:
                 species island bill_length_mm bill_depth_mm flipper_length_mm body_mass_g
                                                                                                      sex
          152 Chinstrap Dream
                                                            17.9
                                                                              192.0
                                            46.5
                                                                                           3500.0 Female
          153 Chinstrap Dream
                                            50.0
                                                            195
                                                                              196.0
                                                                                           3900 0
                                                                                                     Male
          154 Chinstrap Dream
                                            51.3
                                                            19.2
                                                                              193.0
                                                                                           3650.0
                                                                                                     Male
          341
                 Gentoo Biscoe
                                            50.4
                                                            15.7
                                                                              222.0
                                                                                           5750.0
                                                                                                     Male
          342
                 Gentoo Biscoe
                                            45.2
                                                            14.8
                                                                              212.0
                                                                                           5200.0 Female
                                            49.9
                                                            16.1
                                                                              213.0
                                                                                           5400.0
          343
                 Gentoo Biscoe
                                                                                                     Male
         187 rows × 7 columns
          No more 'Adelie' s!
          Or, as another example, suppose we only want 'species' with at least 100 penguins:
In [16]: (penguins
            groupby('species')
            .filter(lambda df: df.shape[0] > 100)
Out[16]:
                           island bill_length_mm bill_depth_mm flipper_length_mm body_mass_g
               species
                                                                                                       sex
                                                                                            3750.0
            0 Adelie Torgersen
                                             39.1
                                                             18.7
                                                                               181.0
                                                                                                      Male
            1
                Adelie
                        Torgersen
                                             39.5
                                                             17.4
                                                                                186.0
                                                                                            3800.0 Female
            2
                 Adelie
                        Torgersen
                                             40.3
                                                             18.0
                                                                               195.0
                                                                                            3250.0 Female
            ...
          341 Gentoo
                                             50.4
                                                             15.7
                                                                               222.0
                                                                                            5750.0
                                                                                                      Male
                           Biscoe
          342 Gentoo
                           Biscoe
                                             45.2
                                                             14.8
                                                                               212.0
                                                                                            5200.0 Female
          343 Gentoo
                           Biscoe
                                             49.9
                                                             16.1
                                                                               213.0
                                                                                            5400.0
                                                                                                      Male
         265 rows × 7 columns
          No more 'Chinstrap' s!
            Question (Answer at dsc80.com/q)
            Code: aggs
            Answer the following questions about grouping:
             • In .agg(fn), what is the input to fn? What is the output of fn?
             • In .transform(fn), what is the input to fn? What is the output of fn?
             • In .filter(fn) , what is the input to fn ? What is the output of fn ?
          Grouping with multiple columns
          When we group with multiple columns, one group is created for every unique combination of elements in the specified columns.
In [17]: penguins
               species
                           is land \quad bill\_length\_mm \quad bill\_depth\_mm \quad flipper\_length\_mm \quad body\_mass\_g
                Adelie
                                             39.1
                                                             18.7
                                                                                181.0
                                                                                            3750.0
                                                                                                      Male
                        Torgersen
                                                                                186.0
                                                                                            3800.0 Female
                Adelie
                        Torgersen
                                             39.5
                                                             17.4
            2
                                             40.3
                                                             18.0
                                                                               195.0
                                                                                            3250.0 Female
                Adelie Torgersen
                                                             15.7
                                                                               222.0
                                                                                            5750.0
          341 Gentoo
                           Biscoe
                                             50.4
                                                                                                      Male
          342 Gentoo
                                             45.2
                                                             148
                                                                               212.0
                                                                                            5200.0 Female
                           Biscoe
          343 Gentoo
                           Biscoe
                                             49.9
                                                             16.1
                                                                               213.0
                                                                                            5400.0
                                                                                                      Male
         333 rows × 7 columns
In [18]: species_and_island = (
              penguins
              .groupby(['species', 'island'])
[['bill_length_mm', 'body_mass_g']]
               .mean()
          species_and_island
```

In [15]: (penguins

		bill_length_mm	body_mass_g
species	island		
Adelie	Biscoe	38.98	3709.66
	Dream	38.52	3701.36
	Torgersen	39.04	3708.51
Chinstrap	Dream	48.83	3733.09
Gentoo	Biscoe	47.57	5092.44

Grouping and indexes

- The groupby method creates an index based on the specified columns.
- When grouping by multiple columns, the resulting DataFrame has a MultiIndex .
- Advice: When working with a MultiIndex , use reset_index or set as_index=False in groupby .

```
In [19]: species_and_island
```

Out[18]:

Out[19]: bill_length_mm body_mass_g species island 3709.66 Adelie 38.98 Biscoe 38.52 3701.36 Dream 3708.51 39.04 Torgersen 3733.09 48.83 Chinstrap Dream 5092.44 Gentoo Biscoe 47.57

```
In [20]: species_and_island['body_mass_g']
Out[20]: species
                    island
                                  3709.66
         Adelie
                    Biscoe
                                  3701.36
                    Dream
                    Torgersen
                                 3708.51
         Chinstrap Dream
                                  3733.09
                                 5092.44
         Gentoo
                    Biscoe
         Name: body_mass_g, dtype: float64
```

In [21]: species_and_island.loc['Adelie']

ut[21]: bill_length_mm body_mass_g

 Island
 38.98
 3709.66

 Dream
 38.52
 3701.36

 Torgersen
 39.04
 3708.51

In [22]: species_and_island.loc[('Adelie', 'Torgersen')]

Out[22]: bill_length_mm 39.04 body_mass_g 3708.51

Name: (Adelie, Torgersen), dtype: float64

In [23]: species_and_island.reset_index()

Out[23]: island bill_length_mm body_mass_g species 0 Adelie Riscoe 38 98 3709 66 38.52 3701.36 Adelie Dream Adelie Torgersen 39.04 3708.51 3 Chinstrap Dream 48.83 3733.09 Gentoo Biscoe 47.57 5092.44

Out[24]: species $is land \quad bill_length_mm \quad body_mass_g$ 0 Adelie Biscoe 38.98 3709.66 Adelie Dream 38.52 3701.36 Adelie Torgersen 39.04 3708.51 Chinstrap Dream 48.83 3733.09 47.57 5092.44 Gentoo Biscoe

```
Find the most popular Male and Female baby Name for each Year in baby . Exclude Year s where there were fewer than 1 million births recorded.
In [25]: baby_path = Path('data') / 'baby.csv'
         baby = pd.read_csv(baby_path)
Out[25]:
                     Name Sex Count Year
                0
                             M 20456 2022
                      Liam
                             M 18621 2022
                      Noah
                2
                      Olivia
                              F 16573 2022
         2085155
                     Wright
                                     5 1880
         2085156
                                     5 1880
         2085157 Zachariah
                                     5 1880
         2085158 rows × 4 columns
In [26]: # Your code goes here.
         Pivot tables using the pivot_table method
         Pivot tables: an extension of grouping
         Pivot tables are a compact way to display tables for humans to read:
                                                                                    Sex
                                                                                   2018 1698373 1813377
                                                                                   2019 1675139 1790682
                                                                                         1612393 1721588
                                                                                   2021 1635800 1743913
                                                                                   2022 1628730 1733166
           · Notice that each value in the table is a sum over the counts, split by year and sex.
           · You can think of pivot tables as grouping using two columns, then "pivoting" one of the group labels into columns.
          pivot_table
         The pivot_table DataFrame method aggregates a DataFrame using two columns. To use it:
         df.pivot table(index=index col,
                         columns=columns_col,
                         values=values_col,
                         aggfunc=func)
         The resulting DataFrame will have:
          • One row for every unique value in <code>index_col</code> .
           • One column for every unique value in columns_col .
           · Values determined by applying func on values in values_col .
In [27]: last_5_years = baby.query('Year >= 2018')
         last_5_years
Out[27]:
                  Name Sex Count Year
                  Liam
                          M 20456 2022
                  Noah
                          M 18621 2022
         159444
                  Zyrie
                                 5 2018
```

159445 Zyron

159446 Zzyzx

In [28]: last_5_years.pivot_table(
 index='Year',
 columns='Sex',
 values='Count',
 aggfunc='sum',

159447 rows × 4 columns

5 2018

5 2018

```
Out[28]: Sex
                           M
         2018 1698373 1813377
         2019 1675139 1790682
         2020 1612393 1721588
         2021 1635800 1743913
         2022 1628730 1733166
In [29]: # Look at the similarity to the snippet above!
         (last_5_years
          .groupby(['Year', 'Sex'])
         [['Count']]
         .sum()
Out[29]:
                    Count
         Year Sex
               F 1698373
         2018
               M 1813377
         2019
              F 1675139
         2021 M 1743913
         2022
              F 1628730
               M 1733166
```

10 rows × 1 columns

Example

Find the number of penguins per 'island' and 'species'.

```
In [30]: penguins
```

Out[30]:		species	island	bill_length_mm	bill_depth_mm	flipper_length_mm	body_mass_g	sex
	0	Adelie	Torgersen	39.1	18.7	181.0	3750.0	Male
	1	Adelie	Torgersen	39.5	17.4	186.0	3800.0	Female
	2	Adelie	Torgersen	40.3	18.0	195.0	3250.0	Female
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	343	Gentoo	Biscoe	49.9	16.1	213.0	5400.0	Male

333 rows × 7 columns

```
In [31]: penguins.pivot_table(
   index='species',
   columns='island',
   values='bill_length_mm', # Choice of column here doesn't actually matter!
   aggfunc='count',
)
```

```
Out[31]: island Biscoe Dream Torgersen
```

species			
Adelie	44.0	55.0	47.0
Chinstrap	NaN	68.0	NaN
Gentoo	119.0	NaN	NaN

Note that there is a NaN at the intersection of 'Biscoe' and 'Chinstrap', because there were no Chinstrap penguins on Biscoe Island.

We can either use the fillna method afterwards or the fill_value argument to fill in NaN s.

```
In [32]: penguins.pivot_table(
    index='species',
    columns='island',
    values='bill_length_mm',
    aggfunc='count',
    fill_value=0,
    )
```

```
        Out[32]:
        island species
        Biscoe
        Dream Dream
        Torgersen

        Adelie
        44
        55
        47

        Chinstrap
        0
        68
        0

        Gentoo
        119
        0
        0
```

Granularity, revisited

Take another look at the pivot table from the previous slide. Each row of the original penguins DataFrame represented a single penguin, and each column represented features of the penguins.

What is the granularity of the DataFrame below?

```
In [33]: penguins.pivot_table(
    index='species',
    columns='island',
    values='bill_length_mm',
    aggfunc='count',
    fill_value=0,
)
```

 Out[33]:
 island species
 Biscoe
 Dream Torgersen

 Adelie
 44
 55
 47

 Chinstrap
 0
 68
 0

 Gentoo
 119
 0
 0

Reshaping

- pivot_table reshapes DataFrames from "long" to "wide".
- · Other DataFrame reshaping methods:
 - melt: Un-pivots a DataFrame. Very useful in data cleaning.
 - pivot : Like pivot_table , but doesn't do aggregation.
 - stack: Pivots multi-level columns to multi-indices.
 - unstack: Pivots multi-indices to columns.
 - Google and the documentation are your friends!

Distributions

Let's compute probabilities using an easier way.

We'll start by using the pivot_table method to recreate the DataFrame shown below.

sex	Female	Male
species		
Adelie	73	73
Chinstrap	34	34
Gentoo	58	61

Joint distribution

When using aggfunc='count', a pivot table describes the joint distribution of two categorical variables. This is also called a contingency table.

```
In [34]: counts = penguins.pivot_table(
    index='species',
    columns='sex',
    values='body_mass_g',
    aggfunc='count',
    fill_value=0,
)
counts
```

 out[34]:
 sex
 Female
 Male

 species

 Adelie
 73
 73

 Adelie
 73
 73

 Chinstrap
 34
 34

 Gentoo
 58
 61

We can normalize the DataFrame by dividing by the total number of penguins. The resulting numbers can be interpreted as **probabilities** that a randomly selected penguin from the dataset belongs to a given combination of species and sex.

```
In [35]: joint = counts / counts.sum().sum()
joint
```

[35]:	sex	Female	Male
	species		
	Adelie	0.22	0.22
	Chinstrap	0.10	0.10
	Gentoo	0.17	0.18

Marginal probabilities

If we sum over one of the axes, we can compute marginal probabilities, i.e. unconditional probabilities.

```
In [36]: joint

Out[36]: sex Female Male species

Adelie 0.22 0.22

Chinstrap 0.10 0.10

Gentoo 0.17 0.18
```

In [37]: # Recall, joint.sum(axis=0) sums across the rows,
which computes the sum of the **columns**.
joint.sum(axis=0)

In [38]: joint.sum(axis=1)

For instance, the second Series tells us that a randomly selected penguin has a 0.36 chance of being of species 'Gentoo'.

Conditional probabilities

Using counts , how might we compute conditional probabilities like

 $P(\text{species} = \text{``Adelie''} \mid \text{sex} = \text{``Female''})?$

 In [39]:
 counts

 out[39]:
 sex
 Female
 Male

 species
 Adelie
 73
 73

 Chinstrap
 34
 34

Gentoo

$$P(\text{species} = c \mid \text{sex} = x) = \frac{\# \left(\text{species} = c \text{ and sex} = x \right)}{\# \left(\text{sex} = x \right)}$$

▶ ☐ Click **here** to see more of a derivation.

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Answer: To find conditional probabilities of 'species' given 'sex', divide by column sums. To find conditional probabilities of 'sex' given 'species', divide by row sums.

Conditional probabilities

To find conditional probabilities of 'species' given 'sex', divide by column sums. To find conditional probabilities of 'sex' given 'species', divide by row sums.

In [40]: counts

Out[40]: sex Female Male species

Adelie 73 73

Chinstrap 34 34

Gentoo 58 61

In [41]: counts.sum(axis=0)

Out[41]: sex Female 165 Male 168 dtype: int64

The conditional distribution of 'species' given 'sex' is below. Note that in this new DataFrame, the 'Female' and 'Male' columns each sum to 1.

```
In [42]: counts / counts.sum(axis=0)

Out[42]: sex Female Male

species

Adelie 0.44 0.43

Chinstrap 0.21 0.20

Gentoo 0.35 0.36
```

For instance, the above DataFrame tells us that the probability that a randomly selected penguin is of 'species' 'Adelie' given that they are of 'sex' 'Female' is 0.442424.

```
Question (2) (Answer at dsc80.com/q)

Code: cond
```

Find the conditional distribution of 'sex' given 'species'.

Hint: Use .T.

In [43]: # Your code goes here.

Simpson's paradox



Example: Grades

- Two students, Lisa and Bart, just finished their first year at UCSD. They both took a different number of classes in Fall, Winter, and Spring.
- Each quarter, Lisa had a higher GPA than Bart.
- But Bart has a higher overall GPA.
- How is this possible? 😕

Run this cell to create DataFrames that contain each students' grades.

Quarter-specific vs. overall GPAs

Note: The number of "grade points" earned for a course is

number of units \cdot grade (out of 4)

For instance, an A- in a 4 unit course earns $3.7 \cdot 4 = 14.8 \ \mathrm{grade}$ points.

In [45]: dfs_side_by_side(lisa, bart)

Lisa	Units	Grade Points Earned	Bart	Units	Grade Points Earned
Fall	20	46	Fall	5	10.0
Winter	18	54	Winter	5	13.5
Spring	5	20	Spring	22	81.4

Lisa had a higher GPA in all three quarters.

```
In [46]: quarterly_gpas = pd.DataFrame({
    "Lisa's Quarter GPA": lisa['Grade Points Earned'] / lisa['Units'],
    "Bart's Quarter GPA": bart['Grade Points Earned'] / bart['Units'],
})
quarterly_gpas
```

Out[46]:		Lisa's Quarter GPA	Bart's Quarter GPA
	Fall	2.3	2.0
	Winter	3.0	2.7
	Spring	4.0	3.7

```
Question (2) (Answer at dsc80.com/q)
Code: gpa
```

Use the DataFrame lisa to compute Lisa's overall GPA, and use the DataFrame bart to compute Bart's overall GPA.

In [80]: # Helper function to show lisa and bart side-by-side to save screen space
dfs_side_by_side(lisa, bart)

Lisa	Units	Grade Points Earned	Bart	Units	Grade Points Earned
Fall	20	46	Fall	5	10.0
Winter	18	54	Winter	5	13.5
Spring	5	20	Spring	22	81.4

In [48]: # Your code goes here.

Spring

What happened?

Out[49]:		Lisa's Quarter GPA	Lisa_Units	Bart's Quarter GPA	Bart_Units
	Fall	2.3	20	2.0	5
	Winter	3.0	18	2.7	5

4.0

• When Lisa and Bart both performed poorly, Lisa took more units than Bart. This brought down 🔯 Lisa's overall average.

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• When Lisa and Bart both performed well, Bart took more units than Lisa. This brought up 🗵 Bart's overall average.

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Simpson's paradox

- Simpson's paradox occurs when grouped data and ungrouped data show opposing trends.
 - It is named after Edward H. Simpson, not Lisa or Bart Simpson.
- It often happens because there is a hidden factor (i.e. a **confounder**) within the data that influences results.
- Question: What is the "correct" way to summarize your data? What if you had to act on these results?

Example: How Berkeley was almost sued for gender discrimination (1973)

What do you notice?

Department	All		Men		Women	
	Applicants	Admitted	Applicants	Admitted	Applicants	Admitted
A	933	64%	825	62%	108	82%
В	585	63%	560	63%	25	68%
С	918	35%	325	37%	593	34%
D	792	34%	417	33%	375	35%
E	584	25%	191	28%	393	24%
F	714	6%	373	6%	341	7%
Total	4526	39%	2691	45%	1835	30%

In [50]: show_paradox_slides()

What happened?

- The overall acceptance rate for women (30%) was lower than it was for men (45%).
- However, most departments (A, B, D, F) had a higher acceptance rate for women.
- Department A had a 62% acceptance rate for men and an 82% acceptance rate for women!
 - 31% of men applied to Department A.
 - 6% of women applied to Department A.
- Department F had a 6% acceptance rate for men and a 7% acceptance rate for women!
 - 14% of men applied to Department F.
 - 19% of women applied to Department F.
- Conclusion: Women tended to apply to departments with a lower acceptance rate; the data don't support the hypothesis that there was major gender discrimination against women.

Example: Restaurant reviews and phone types

- You are deciding whether to eat at Dirty Birds or The Loft.
- Suppose Yelp shows ratings aggregated by phone type (Android vs. iPhone).

Phone Type	Stars for Dirty Birds	Stars for The Loft
Android	4.24	4.0
iPhone	2.99	2.79
All	3.32	3.37

- Question: Should you choose Dirty Birds or The Loft?
- Answer: The type of phone you use likely has nothing to do with your taste in food pick the restaurant that is rated higher overall.

Rule of thumb 👍



- Let (X,Y) be a pair of variables of interest. Simpson's paradox occurs when the association between X and Y reverses when we condition on Z, a third variable.
- ullet If Z has a **causal** connection to both X and Y, we should condition on Z and use deaggregated data.
- ullet If not, we shouldn't condition on Z and use the aggregated data instead.
- ullet Berkeley gender discrimination: X is gender, Y is acceptance rate. Z is the department.
 - lacksquare Z has a plausible causal effect on both X and Y, so we should condition on Z.
- $\bullet \;\;$ Yelp ratings: X is the restaurant, Y is the average stars. Z is the phone type.
 - $\ \ \, Z$ doesn't plausibly cause X to change, so we should not condition on Z.

Takeaways

Be skeptical of...

- · Aggregate statistics.
- People misusing statistics to "prove" that discrimination doesn't exist.
- ullet Drawing conclusions from individual publications (p-hacking, publication bias, narrow focus, etc.).

• Everything!

We need to apply domain knowledge and human judgement calls to decide what to do when Simpson's paradox is present.

Really?

To handle Simpson's paradox with rigor, we need some ideas from causal inference which we don't have time to cover in DSC 80. This video has a good example of how to approach Simpson's paradox using a minimal amount of causal inference, if you're curious (not required for DSC 80).

In [51]: IFrame('https://www.youtube-nocookie.com/embed/zeuW1Z2Etts?si=12D17P-SRCq300po', width=800, height=450)

Out[51]:

1.2 - Motivating Example: Simpson's Paradox

Further reading

- Gender Bias in Admission Statistics?
 - Contains a **great** visualization, but seems to be paywalled now.
- What is Simpson's Paradox?
- Understanding Simpson's Paradox
 - Requires more statistics background, but gives a rigorous understanding of when to use aggregated vs. unaggregated data.



Merging

Example: Name categories

The New York Times article from Lecture 1 claims that certain categories of names are becoming more popular. For example:

- Forbidden names like Lucifer, Lilith, Kali, and Danger.
- Evangelical names like Amen, Savior, Canaan, and Creed.
- Mythological names.
- It also claims that baby boomer names are becoming less popular.

Let's see if we can verify these claims using data!

Loading in the data

Our first DataFrame, baby, is the same as we saw in Lecture 1. It has one row for every combination of 'Name', 'Sex', and 'Year'.

```
In [52]: baby_path = Path('data') / 'baby.csv'
baby = pd.read_csv(baby_path)
baby
```

t[52]:		Name	Sex	Count	Year
	0	Liam	М	20456	2022
	1	Noah	М	18621	2022
		Olivia	F	16573	2022
	2085155	Wright	М	5	1880
	2085156	York	М	5	1880
	2085157	Zachariah	М	5	1880

2085158 rows × 4 columns

Our second DataFrame, nyt, contains the New York Times' categorization of each of several names, based on the aforementioned article.

23 rows × 2 columns

Venus celestial

Skye celestial

Celestia celestial

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21

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Issue: To find the number of babies born with (for example) forbidden names each year, we need to combine information from both baby and nyt.

Merging

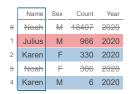
- We want to link rows from baby and nyt together whenever the names match up.
- This is a merge (pandas term), i.e. a join (SQL term).
- A merge is appropriate when we have two sources of information about the same individuals that is linked by a common column(s).
- The common column(s) are called the join key.

Example merge

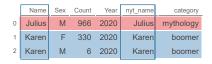
Let's demonstrate on a small subset of baby and nyt .

	Name	Sex	Count	Year		nyt_name	category
0	Noah	М	18407	2020	0	Karen	boomer
1	Julius	М	966	2020			
2	Karen	F	330	2020	1	Julius	mythology
3	Noah	F	306	2020			
4	Karen	М	6	2020	2	Freya	mythology

baby_small.merge(nyt_small, left_on='Name', right_on='nyt_name')







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The merge method

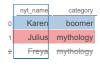
- The merge DataFrame method joins two DataFrames by columns or indexes.
 - As mentioned before, "merge" is just the pandas word for "join."
- When using the merge method, the DataFrame before merge is the "left" DataFrame, and the DataFrame passed into merge is the "right" DataFrame.
 - In baby_small.merge(nyt_small), baby_small is considered the "left" DataFrame and nyt_small is the "right" DataFrame; the columns from the left DataFrame appear to the left of the columns from right DataFrame.

- By default:
 - If join keys are not specified, all shared columns between the two DataFrames are used.
 - The "type" of join performed is an inner join. This is the only type of join you saw in DSC 10, but there are more, as we'll now see!

Join types: inner joins

baby_small.merge(nyt_small, left_on='Name', right_on='nyt_name')

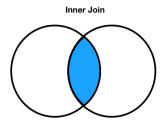
	Name Sex Cou		Count	Year
0	Noah	₩	18407	2020
1	Julius	М	966	2020
2	Karen	F	330	2020
3	Noah	F	306	2020
4	Karen	M	6	2020



	Name	Sex	Count	Year	nyt_name	category
0	Julius	М	966	2020	Julius	mythology
1	Karen	F	330	2020	Karen	boomer
2	Karen	M	6	2020	Karen	boomer

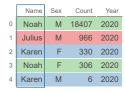
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- Note that 'Noah' and 'Freya' do not appear in the merged DataFrame.
- This is because there is:
 - no 'Noah' in the right DataFrame (nyt_small), and
 - no 'Freya' in the left DataFrame (baby_small).
- The default type of join that merge performs is an inner join, which keeps the intersection of the join keys.



Different join types

baby_small.merge(nyt_small, left_on='Name', right_on='nyt_name', how='left')





	Name	Sex	Count	Year	nyt_name	category
0	Noah	М	18407	2020	NaN	NaN
1	Julius	М	966	2020	Julius	mythology
2	Karen	F	330	2020	Karen	boomer
3	Noah	F	306	2020	NaN	NaN
4	Karen	M	6	2020	Karen	boomer

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In [58]: %%pt
baby_small.merge(nyt_small, left_on='Name', right_on='nyt_name', how='right')

baby_small.merge(nyt_small, left_on='Name', right_on='nyt_name', how='right')

	Name	Sex	Count	Year
0	Noah	₩	18407	2020
1	Julius	M	966	2020
2	Karen	F	330	2020
3	Noah	F	306	2020
4	Karen	M	6	2020

	nyt_name	category
0	Karen	boomer
1	Julius	mythology
2	Freya	mythology

	Name	Sex	Count	Year	nyt_name	category
0	Karen	F	330	2020	Karen	boomer
1	Karen	М	6	2020	Karen	boomer
2	Julius	М	966	2020	Julius	mythology
3	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	Freya	mythology

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baby_small.merge(nyt_small, left_on='Name', right_on='nyt_name', how='outer')

	Name	Sex	Count	Year
0	Noah	M	18407	2020
1	Julius	M	966	2020
2	Karen	F	330	2020
3	Noah	F	306	2020
4	Karen	М	6	2020



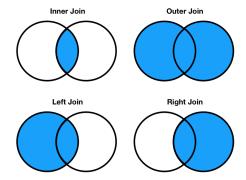
	Name	Sex	Count	Count Year r		category
0	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	Freya	mythology
1	Julius	М	966	2020	Julius	mythology
2	Karen	F	330	2020	Karen	boomer
3	Karen	М	6	2020	Karen	boomer
4	Noah	М	18407	2020	NaN	NaN
5	Noah	F	306	2020	NaN	NaN

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Different join types handle mismatches differently

There are four types of joins.

- Inner: keep only matching keys (intersection).
- Outer: keep all keys in both DataFrames (union).
- Left: keep all keys in the left DataFrame, whether or not they are in the right DataFrame.
- Right: keep all keys in the right DataFrame, whether or not they are in the left DataFrame.
 - Note that a.merge(b, how='left') contains the same information as b.merge(a, how='right'), just in a different order.



Notes on the merge method

- merge is flexible you can merge using a combination of columns, or the index of the DataFrame.
- If the two DataFrames have the same column names, pandas will add _x and _y to the duplicated column names to avoid having columns with the same name (change these the suffixes argument).
- There is, in fact, a join method, but it's actually a wrapper around merge with fewer options.
- As always, the documentation is your friend!

Lots of pandas operations do an implicit outer join!

- pandas will almost always try to match up index values using an outer join.
- It won't tell you that it's doing an outer join, it'll just throw NaN s in your result!

```
In [60]:
    df1 = pd.DataFrame({'a': [1, 2, 3]}, index=['hello', 'dsc80', 'students'])
    df2 = pd.DataFrame({'b': [10, 20, 30]}, index=['dsc80', 'is', 'awesome'])
            dfs_side_by_side(df1, df2)
              hello 1
                                dsc80 10
             dsc80 2
                                     is 20
          students 3
                            awesome 30
In [61]: df1['a'] + df2['b']
Out[61]: awesome
                             NaN
            dsc80
                            12.0
            hello
                             NaN
                             NaN
            students
                              NaN
            dtype: float64
```

Many-to-one & many-to-many joins

One-to-one joins

- So far in this lecture, the joins we have worked with are called **one-to-one** joins.
- Neither the left DataFrame (baby_small) nor the right DataFrame (nyt_small) contained any duplicates in the join key.
- What if there are duplicated join keys, in one or both of the DataFrames we are merging?

```
In [62]: # Run this cell to set up the next example.
profs = pd.DataFrame(
   [['Sam', 'UCS', 5],
        ['Sam', 'UCSD', 8],
        ['Marina', 'UCCD', 8],
        ['Marina', 'UCC, 7],
        ['Justin', 'OSU', 5],
        ['Soobyun', 'UCSD', 2],
        ['Souraj', 'UCB', 2],
        ['Suraj', 'UCB', 2]],
        columns=['Name', 'School', 'Years']
)

schools = pd.DataFrame({
        'Abr': ['UCSD', 'UCLA', 'UCB', 'UIC'],
        'Full': ['University of California San Diego', 'University of California, Los Angeles', 'University of California, Berkeley', 'University of Illinois Chicago']
})

programs = pd.DataFrame({
        'uni': ['UCSD', 'UCSD', 'UCSD', 'USD', 'OSU', 'OSU'],
        'dept': ['Math', 'HDSI', 'COSS', 'CS', 'Math', 'CS'],
        'grad_Students': [205, 54, 281, 439, 304, 193]
})
```

Many-to-one joins

- Many-to-one joins are joins where **one** of the DataFrames contains duplicate values in the join key.
- The resulting DataFrame will preserve those duplicate entries as appropriate.

```
In [63]: dfs_side_by_side(profs, schools)
```

	Name	School	Years		Abr	Full
0	Sam	UCB	5	0	UCSD	University of California San Diego
1	Sam	UCSD	5		0000	oniversity or camornia san prego
2	Janine	UCSD	8	1	UCLA	University of California, Los Angeles
3	Marina	UIC	7			
4	Justin	OSU	5	2	UCB	University of California, Berkeley
5	Soohyun	UCSD	2			
6	Suraj	UCB	2	3	UIC	University of Illinois Chicago

Note that when merging profs and schools, the information from schools is duplicated.

- 'University of California, San Diego' appears three times.
- 'University of California, Berkeley' appears twice.

profs.merge(schools, left_on='School', right_on='Abr', how='left')

	Name	School	Years
0	Sam	UCB	5
1	Sam	UCSD	5
2	Janine	UCSD	8
3	Marina	UIC	7
4	Justin	OSU	5
5	Soohyun	UCSD	2
6	Suraj	UCB	2

	Abr	Full
0	UCSD	University of C
4	UGLA	University of C
2	UCB	University of C
3	UIC	University of I

Full	Abr	Years	School	Name	
University of C	UCB	5	UCB	Sam	0
University of C	UCSD	5	UCSD	Sam	1
University of C	UCSD	8	UCSD	Janine	2
University of I	UIC	7	UIC	Marina	3
NaN	NaN	5	OSU	Justin	4
University of C	UCSD	2	UCSD	Soohyun	5
University of C	UCB	2	UCB	Suraj	6

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Many-to-many joins

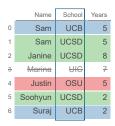
Many-to-many joins are joins where both DataFrames have duplicate values in the join key.

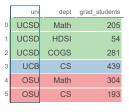
In [65]: dfs_side_by_side(profs, programs)

	Name	School	Years		uni	dept	grad_students
0	Sam	UCB	5	0	UCSD	Math	205
1	Sam	UCSD	5	1	UCSD	HDSI	54
2	Janine	UCSD	8	2	UCSD	COGS	281
3	Marina	UIC	7	_	LICE	66	420
4	Justin	OSU	5	3	UCB	CS	439
5	Soohyun	UCSD	2	4	OSU	Math	304
6	Suraj	UCB	2	5	OSU	CS	193

Before running the following cell, try predicting the number of rows in the output.

profs.merge(programs, left_on='School', right_on='uni')





	Name	School	Years	uni	dept	grad_students
0	Sam	UCB	5	UCB	CS	439
1	Sam	UCSD	5	UCSD	Math	205
2	Sam	UCSD	5	UCSD	HDSI	54
3	Sam	UCSD	5	UCSD	COGS	281
						↑↓3 more↑↓
7	Justin	OSU	5	OSU	Math	304
8	Justin	OSU	5	OSU	CS	193
						1↓3 more 1↓
12	Suraj	UCB	2	UCB	CS	439

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- \bullet $\,$ merge $\,$ stitched together every UCSD row in $\,$ profs $\,$ with every UCSD row in $\,$ programs .
- $\bullet \ \ \, \text{Since there were 3 UCSD rows in } \ \, \text{profs} \ \ \, \text{and 3 in } \ \, \text{programs , there are } 3 \cdot 3 = 9 \text{ UCSD rows in the output. The same applies for all other schools.}$

```
Question (Answer at dsc80.com/q)

Code: merge

Fill in the blank so that the last statement evaluates to True.

df = profs.merge(programs, left_on='School', right_on='uni')
df.shape[0] == (____).sum()

Don't use merge (or join ) in your solution!
```

In [67]: dfs_side_by_side(profs, programs)

	Name	School	Years		uni	dept	grad_students
0	Sam	UCB	5	0	UCSD	Math	205
1	Sam	UCSD	5	1	UCSD	HDSI	54
2	Janine	UCSD	8	2	UCSD	COGS	281
3	Marina	UIC	7	3	UCB	CS	439
4	Justin	OSU	5	5	UCB	CS	439
5	Soohyun	UCSD	2	4	OSU	Math	304
6	Suraj	UCB	2	5	OSU	CS	193

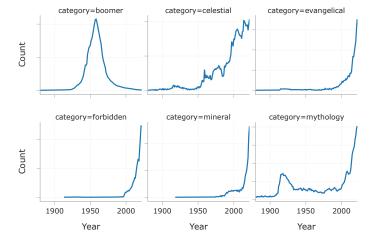
In [68]: # Your code goes here.

Returning back to our original question

Let's find the popularity of baby name categories over time. To start, we'll define a DataFrame that has one row for every combination of 'category' and 'Year'.

Out[69]:		category	Year	Count
	0	boomer	1880	292
	1	boomer	1881	298
	2	boomer	1882	326
	659	mythology	2020	3516
	660	mythology	2021	3895
	661	mythology	2022	4049

662 rows × 3 columns



Transforming

In [78]: **%%timeit**

baby['Name'].str.len()

Transforming values

- A transformation results from performing some operation on every element in a sequence, e.g. a Series.
- While we haven't discussed it yet in DSC 80, you learned how to transform Series in DSC 10, using the apply method. apply is very flexible it takes in a function, which itself takes in a single value as input and returns a single value.

```
In [71]: baby
Out[71]:
                      Name Sex Count Year
                0
                       Liam
                               M 20456 2022
                1
                       Noah
                               M 18621 2022
                2
                               F 16573 2022
                                      5 1880
          2085155
                      Wright
                              М
          2085156
                        York
                              М
                                      5 1880
          2085157 Zachariah
                                      5 1880
                             M
         2085158 rows × 4 columns
In [72]: def number_of_vowels(string):
    return sum(c in 'aeiou' for c in string.lower())
          baby['Name'].apply(number_of_vowels)
Out[72]:
                     2
                     2
                     4
          2085155
          2085156
          2085157
          Name: Name, Length: 2085158, dtype: int64
In [73]: # Built-in functions work with apply, too.
          baby['Name'].apply(len)
Out[73]: 0
                     4
                     4
                     6
          2085155
          2085156
          2085157
          Name: Name, Length: 2085158, dtype: int64
         The price of apply
          Unfortunately, apply runs really slowly!
In [74]: %%timeit
          baby['Name'].apply(number_of_vowels)
        1.09 s \pm 6.86 ms per loop (mean \pm std. dev. of 7 runs, 1 loop each)
In [75]: %%timeit
          for name in baby['Name']:
              \verb"res.append(number_of_vowels(name)")"
        946 ms ± 30.9 ms per loop (mean ± std. dev. of 7 runs, 1 loop each)
          Internally, apply actually just runs a for -loop!
         So, when possible - say, when applying arithmetic operations - we should work on Series objects directly and avoid apply!
          The price of apply
In [76]: %%timeit
          baby['Year'] // 10 * 10 # Rounds down to the nearest multiple of 10.
        3.12 ms \pm 12.4 \mus per loop (mean \pm std. dev. of 7 runs, 100 loops each)
In [77]: %%timeit
          baby['Year'].apply(lambda y: y // 10 * 10)
        394 ms \pm 2.18 ms per loop (mean \pm std. dev. of 7 runs, 1 loop each)
          100x slower!
         The .str accessor
          For string operations, pandas provides a convenient .str accessor.
```

243 ms \pm 353 μ s per loop (mean \pm std. dev. of 7 runs, 1 loop each)

```
In [79]: %%timeit
baby['Name'].apply(len)
```

265 ms \pm 2.06 ms per loop (mean \pm std. dev. of 7 runs, 1 loop each)

It's very convenient and runs about the same speed as apply!

Other data representations

Representations of tabular data

- In DSC 80, we work with DataFrames in pandas .
 - When we say pandas DataFrame, we're talking about the pandas API for its DataFrame objects.
 - o API stands for "application programming interface." We'll learn about these more soon.
 - When we say "DataFrame", we're referring to a general way to represent data (rows and columns, with labels for both rows and columns).
- There many other ways to work with data tables!
 - Examples: R data frames, SQL databases, spreadsheets, or even matrices from linear algebra.
 - When you learn SQL in DSC 100, you'll find many similaries (e.g. slicing columns, filtering rows, grouping, joining, etc.).
 - Relational algebra captures common data operations between many data table systems.
- Why use DataFrames over something else?

DataFrames vs. spreadsheets

- DataFrames give us a **data lineage**: the code records down data changes. Not so in spreadsheets!
- Using a general-purpose programming language gives us the ability to handle much larger datasets, and we can use distributed computing systems to handle massive datasets.

DataFrames vs. matrices

$$\mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Matrices are mathematical objects. They only hold numbers, but have many useful properties (which you've learned about in your linear algebra class, Math 18).
- Often, we process data from a DataFrame into matrix format for machine learning models. You saw this a bit in DSC 40A, and we'll see this more in DSC 80 in a few weeks.

DataFrames vs. relations

- Relations are the data representation for relational database systems (e.g. MySQL, PostgreSQL, etc.).
- You'll learn all about these in DSC 100.
- Database systems are much better than DataFrames at storing many large data tables and handling concurrency (many people reading and writing data at the same time).
- Common workflow: load a subset of data in from a database system into pandas , then make a plot.
- Or: load and clean data in pandas , then store it in a database system for others to use.

Summary

- There is no "formula" to automatically resolve Simpson's paradox! Domain knowledge is important.
- We've covered most of the primary DataFrame operations: subsetting, aggregating, joining, and transforming.

Next time

Data cleaning: applying what we've already learned to real-world, messy data!