# DA0101EN-Review-Data-Wrangling

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Data Analysis with Python
Data Wrangling
Welcome!
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What is the purpose of Data Wrangling?
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Data Wrangling is the process of converting data from the initial format to a format that may be better for analysis.

What is the fuel consumption (L/100k) rate for the diesel car?

Import data

You find "Automobile Data Set" can the from the following link: https://archive.ics.uci.edu/ml/machine-learning-databases/autos/imports-85.data. We will be using this data set throughout this course.

Import pandas

```
[1]: import pandas as pd
     import matplotlib.pylab as plt
```

Reading the data set from the URL and adding the related headers.

URL of the dataset

This dataset was hosted on IBM Cloud object click HERE for free storage

```
[2]: filename = "https://s3-api.us-geo.objectstorage.softlayer.net/cf-courses-data/

→CognitiveClass/DA0101EN/auto.csv"
```

Python list headers containing name of headers

```
[3]: headers = ["symboling", "normalized-losses", "make", "fuel-type", "aspiration", □

→"num-of-doors", "body-style",

"drive-wheels", "engine-location", "wheel-base", □

→"length", "width", "height", "curb-weight", "engine-type",

"num-of-cylinders", □

→"engine-size", "fuel-system", "bore", "stroke", "compression-ratio", "horsepower",

"peak-rpm", "city-mpg", "highway-mpg", "price"]
```

Use the Pandas method read\_csv() to load the data from the web address. Set the parameter "names" equal to the Python list "headers".

```
[4]: df = pd.read_csv(filename, names = headers)
```

Use the method head() to display the first five rows of the dataframe.

```
[5]: # To see what the data set looks like, we'll use the head() method.

df.head()
```

[5]:		symboling no	ormaliz	ed-losse	es	make	fuel-type	aspii	cation	num-of-	doors	\
	0	3	?			alfa-romero	gas		std		two	
	1	3			?	alfa-romero	gas		std		two	
	2	1			?	alfa-romero	gas		std		two	
	3	2		16	64	audi	gas		std		four	
	4	2		16	64	audi	gas		std		four	
		body-style	drive-	wheels e	eng	ine-location	wheel-bas	se	engin	ne-size	\	
	0	convertible		rwd		front	88	.6		130		
	1	${\tt convertible}$	rwd			front	88	88.6		130		
	2	hatchback	rwd			front	94	94.5		152		
	3	sedan	fwd			front	99.8 .			109		
	4	sedan		4wd		front	99	.4		136		
		fuel-system	bore	stroke	COI	mpression-rat	io horsepo	ower	peak-r	pm city	-mpg	\
	0	mpfi	3.47	2.68		S	0.0	111	50	000	21	
	1	mpfi	3.47	2.68		9	0.0	111	50	000	21	
	2	mpfi	2.68	3.47		9	0.0	154	50	000	19	
	3	mpfi	3.19	3.40		10	0.0	102	55	500	24	
	4	mpfi	3.19	3.40		8	3.0	115	55	500	18	

```
highway-mpg
                price
0
            27
                 13495
            27
1
                 16500
2
            26
                 16500
3
            30
                 13950
            22
                 17450
```

[5 rows x 26 columns]

As we can see, several question marks appeared in the dataframe; those are missing values which may hinder our further analysis.

So, how do we identify all those missing values and deal with them?

How to work with missing data?

Steps for working with missing data:

dentify missing data

deal with missing data

correct data format

Identify and handle missing values

Identify missing values

Convert "?" to NaN

In the car dataset, missing data comes with the question mark "?". We replace "?" with NaN (Not a Number), which is Python's default missing value marker, for reasons of computational speed and convenience. Here we use the function:

to replace A by B

```
[44]: import numpy as np

# replace "?" to NaN

df.replace("?", np.nan, inplace = True)

df.head(5)
```

```
[44]:
          symboling normalized-losses
                                                  make fuel-type aspiration \
      0
                  3
                                     122
                                           alfa-romero
                                                               gas
                                                                           std
      1
                  3
                                     122
                                           alfa-romero
                                                                           std
                                                               gas
      2
                  1
                                     122
                                           alfa-romero
                                                               gas
                                                                           std
      3
                  2
                                     164
                                                   audi
                                                               gas
                                                                           std
      4
                  2
                                     164
                                                   audi
                                                                           std
                                                               gas
```

```
num-of-doors body-style drive-wheels engine-location wheel-base ... \
0 two convertible rwd front 88.6 ...
1 two convertible rwd front 88.6 ...
```

2	two	two hatch		rwd	front	94.5		
3	four	four s		fwd	front	99.8	•••	
4	four	S	edan	4wd	front	99.4	•••	
	fuel-system	bore s	troke	compression-ratio	horsepower	peak-rpm	city-mpg	\
0	mpfi	3.47	2.68	9.0	111	5000.0	21	
1	mpfi	3.47	2.68	9.0	111	5000.0	21	
2	mpfi	2.68	3.47	9.0	154	5000.0	19	
3	mpfi	3.19	3.40	10.0	102	5500.0	24	
4	mpfi	3.19	3.40	8.0	115	5500.0	18	
	highway-mpg	price	city-	L/100km				
0	8.703704	13495.0	11	.190476				
1	8.703704	16500.0	11	.190476				
2	9.038462	16500.0	12	.368421				
3	7.833333	13950.0	9	.791667				
4	10.681818	17450.0	13	.055556				

[5 rows x 27 columns]

dentify\_missing\_values

Evaluating for Missing Data

The missing values are converted to Python's default. We use Python's built-in functions to identify these missing values. There are two methods to detect missing data:

.isnull()

.notnull()

The output is a boolean value indicating whether the value that is passed into the argument is in fact missing data.

```
[45]: missing_data = df.isnull()
missing_data.head(5)
```

[45]:		symboling	normalized-los	ses	make	fuel-	type	aspira	tion	num-of-doo	rs \	
	0	False	Fa	lse	False	F	alse	F	alse	Fal	se	
	1	False	Fa	lse	False	F	alse	F	alse	Fal	se	
	2	False	Fa	lse	False	F	alse	F	alse	Fal	se	
	3	False	Fa	lse	False	F	alse	F	alse	Fal	se	
	4	False	Fa	lse	False	F	alse	F	alse	Fal	se	
		hody-style	drive-wheels	ong	ine-loc	ation	whee	l-hago		fuel-system	\	
	0	False		eng		False		False		False	`	
	1	False	False			False		False	•••	False		
	2	False	False			False		False	•••	False		
	3	False	False			False		False	•••	False		
	4	False	False			False		False		False		

```
compression-ratio
                                     horsepower
                                                  peak-rpm
                                                            city-mpg
          stroke
0 False
           False
                              False
                                           False
                                                     False
                                                               False
1 False
           False
                                           False
                                                               False
                              False
                                                     False
2 False
          False
                              False
                                           False
                                                     False
                                                               False
           False
                                           False
                                                               False
3 False
                              False
                                                     False
4 False
           False
                              False
                                           False
                                                     False
                                                               False
  highway-mpg price
                      city-L/100km
0
         False False
                              False
         False False
                              False
1
2
         False False
                              False
3
         False False
                              False
         False False
                              False
```

[5 rows x 27 columns]

aspiration False 20

201

Count missing values in each column

Using a for loop in Python, we can quickly figure out the number of missing values in each column. As mentioned above, "True" represents a missing value, "False" means the value is present in the dataset. In the body of the for loop the method ".value\_counts()" counts the number of "True" values.

```
[46]: for column in missing_data.columns.values.tolist():
          print(column)
          print (missing_data[column].value_counts())
          print("")
     symboling
     False
              201
     Name: symboling, dtype: int64
     normalized-losses
     False
              201
     Name: normalized-losses, dtype: int64
     make
     False
              201
     Name: make, dtype: int64
     fuel-type
     False
              201
     Name: fuel-type, dtype: int64
```

<sup>&</sup>quot;True" stands for missing value, while "False" stands for not missing value.

Name: aspiration, dtype: int64

num-of-doors
False 201

Name: num-of-doors, dtype: int64

body-style
False 201

Name: body-style, dtype: int64

drive-wheels False 201

Name: drive-wheels, dtype: int64

engine-location False 201

Name: engine-location, dtype: int64

wheel-base False 201

Name: wheel-base, dtype: int64

length

False 201

Name: length, dtype: int64

width

False 201

Name: width, dtype: int64

height

False 201

Name: height, dtype: int64

curb-weight
False 201

Name: curb-weight, dtype: int64

engine-type False 201

Name: engine-type, dtype: int64

num-of-cylinders

False 201

Name: num-of-cylinders, dtype: int64

engine-size False 201

Name: engine-size, dtype: int64 fuel-system False Name: fuel-system, dtype: int64 bore False 201 Name: bore, dtype: int64 stroke False 201 Name: stroke, dtype: int64 compression-ratio False 201 Name: compression-ratio, dtype: int64 horsepower False 199 2 True Name: horsepower, dtype: int64 peak-rpm False 201 Name: peak-rpm, dtype: int64 city-mpg False 201 Name: city-mpg, dtype: int64 highway-mpg False 201 Name: highway-mpg, dtype: int64 price

False 201

Name: price, dtype: int64

city-L/100km False 201

Name: city-L/100km, dtype: int64

Based on the summary above, each column has 205 rows of data, seven columns containing missing data:

<sup>&</sup>quot;normalized-losses": 41 missing data

"num-of-doors": 2 missing data

"bore": 4 missing data

"stroke": 4 missing data

"horsepower": 2 missing data

"peak-rpm": 2 missing data

"price": 4 missing data

Deal with missing data

How to deal with missing data?

drop data a. drop the whole row b. drop the whole column

replace data a. replace it by mean b. replace it by frequency c. replace it based on other functions

Whole columns should be dropped only if most entries in the column are empty. In our dataset, none of the columns are empty enough to drop entirely. We have some freedom in choosing which method to replace data; however, some methods may seem more reasonable than others. We will apply each method to many different columns:

Replace by mean:

"normalized-losses": 41 missing data, replace them with mean

"stroke": 4 missing data, replace them with mean

"bore": 4 missing data, replace them with mean

"horsepower": 2 missing data, replace them with mean

"peak-rpm": 2 missing data, replace them with mean

Replace by frequency:

"num-of-doors": 2 missing data, replace them with "four".

Reason: 84% sedans is four doors. Since four doors is most frequent, it is most likely to occur

Drop the whole row:

"price": 4 missing data, simply delete the whole row

Reason: price is what we want to predict. Any data entry without price data cannot be used for prediction; therefore any row now without price data is not useful to us

Calculate the average of the column

```
[47]: avg_norm_loss = df["normalized-losses"].astype("float").mean(axis=0)
print("Average of normalized-losses:", avg_norm_loss)
```

Average of normalized-losses: 122.0

Replace "NaN" by mean value in "normalized-losses" column

```
[48]: df["normalized-losses"].replace(np.nan, avg_norm_loss, inplace=True)
      df['normalized-losses']
[48]: 0
             122
             122
      1
      2
             122
      3
             164
      4
             164
      196
              95
      197
              95
      198
              95
      199
              95
      200
              95
      Name: normalized-losses, Length: 201, dtype: int64
     Calculate the mean value for 'bore' column
[49]: avg bore=df['bore'].astype('float').mean(axis=0)
      print("Average of bore:", avg_bore)
     Average of bore: 3.33069156704042
     Replace NaN by mean value
[50]: df["bore"].replace(np.nan, avg_bore, inplace=True)
     Question #1:
     According to the example above, replace NaN in "stroke" column by mean.
[51]: # Write your code below and press Shift+Enter to execute
      mean = df['stroke'].astype('float').mean(axis=0)
                                                           #axis = 0 implies column
      df['stroke'].replace(np.nan,mean,inplace=True)
      mean
[51]: 3.2568740872750674
     Double-click here for the solution.
     Calculate the mean value for the 'horsepower' column:
[52]: avg horsepower = df['horsepower'].astype('float').mean(axis=0)
      print("Average horsepower:", avg_horsepower)
     Average horsepower: 103.39698492462311
```

Replace "NaN" by mean value:

```
[53]: df['horsepower'].replace(np.nan, avg_horsepower, inplace=True)
     Calculate the mean value for 'peak-rpm' column:
[54]: avg_peakrpm=df['peak-rpm'].astype('float').mean(axis=0)
      print("Average peak rpm:", avg_peakrpm)
     Average peak rpm: 5117.665367742568
     Replace NaN by mean value:
[55]: df['peak-rpm'].replace(np.nan, avg_peakrpm, inplace=True)
     To see which values are present in a particular column, we can use the "value counts()" method:
[56]: df['num-of-doors'].value_counts()
[56]: four
              115
               86
      t.wo
      Name: num-of-doors, dtype: int64
     We can see that four doors are the most common type. We can also use the ".idxmax()" method
     to calculate for us the most common type automatically:
[57]: df['num-of-doors'].value counts().idxmax()
[57]: 'four'
     The replacement procedure is very similar to what we have seen previously
[58]: #replace the missing 'num-of-doors' values by the most frequent
      df["num-of-doors"].replace(np.nan, "four", inplace=True)
     Finally, let's drop all rows that do not have price data:
[59]: # simply drop whole row with NaN in "price" column
      df.dropna(subset=["price"], axis=0, inplace=True)
      # reset index, because we droped two rows
      df.reset_index(drop=True, inplace=True)
[60]: df.columns
```

'num-of-doors', 'body-style', 'drive-wheels', 'engine-location',

'wheel-base', 'length', 'width', 'height', 'curb-weight', 'engine-type', 'num-of-cylinders', 'engine-size', 'fuel-system', 'bore', 'stroke',

[60]: Index(['symboling', 'normalized-losses', 'make', 'fuel-type', 'aspiration',

'compression-ratio', 'horsepower', 'peak-rpm', 'city-mpg',

'highway-mpg', 'price', 'city-L/100km'],

```
dtype='object')
```

Good! Now, we obtain the dataset with no missing values.

Correct data format

We are almost there!

The last step in data cleaning is checking and making sure that all data is in the correct format (int, float, text or other).

In Pandas, we use

.dtype() to check the data type

.astype() to change the data type

Lets list the data types for each column

## [61]: df.dtypes

F047	1 7.	
[61]:	symboling	int64
	normalized-losses	int64
	make	object
	fuel-type	object
	aspiration	object
	num-of-doors	object
	body-style	object
	drive-wheels	object
	engine-location	object
	wheel-base	float64
	length	float64
	width	float64
	height	float64
	curb-weight	int64
	engine-type	object
	num-of-cylinders	object
	engine-size	int64
	fuel-system	object
	bore	float64
	stroke	float64
	compression-ratio	float64
	horsepower	object
	peak-rpm	float64
	city-mpg	int64
	highway-mpg	float64
	price	float64
	city-L/100km	float64
	dtype: object	

As we can see above, some columns are not of the correct data type. Numerical variables should

have type 'float' or 'int', and variables with strings such as categories should have type 'object'. For example, 'bore' and 'stroke' variables are numerical values that describe the engines, so we should expect them to be of the type 'float' or 'int'; however, they are shown as type 'object'. We have to convert data types into a proper format for each column using the "astype()" method.

Convert data types to proper format

```
[62]: df[["bore", "stroke"]] = df[["bore", "stroke"]].astype("float")
    df[["normalized-losses"]] = df[["normalized-losses"]].astype("int")
    df[["price"]] = df[["price"]].astype("float")
    df[["peak-rpm"]] = df[["peak-rpm"]].astype("float")
```

Let us list the columns after the conversion

```
[63]: df.dtypes
```

[63]:	symboling	int64
	normalized-losses	int64
	make	object
	fuel-type	object
	aspiration	object
	num-of-doors	object
	body-style	object
	drive-wheels	object
	engine-location	object
	wheel-base	float64
	length	float64
	width	float64
	height	float64
	curb-weight	int64
	engine-type	object
	num-of-cylinders	object
	engine-size	int64
	fuel-system	object
	bore	float64
	stroke	float64
	compression-ratio	float64
	horsepower	object
	peak-rpm	float64
	city-mpg	int64
	highway-mpg	float64
	price	float64
	city-L/100km	float64
	dtype: object	

#### Wonderful!

Now, we finally obtain the cleaned dataset with no missing values and all data in its proper format.

Data Standardization

Data is usually collected from different agencies with different formats. (Data Standardization is also a term for a particular type of data normalization, where we subtract the mean and divide by the standard deviation)

#### What is Standardization?

Standardization is the process of transforming data into a common format which allows the researcher to make the meaningful comparison.

## Example

Transform mpg to L/100km:

In our dataset, the fuel consumption columns "city-mpg" and "highway-mpg" are represented by mpg (miles per gallon) unit. Assume we are developing an application in a country that accept the fuel consumption with  $L/100 \mathrm{km}$  standard

We will need to apply data transformation to transform mpg into L/100km?

The formula for unit conversion is

```
L/100 km = 235 / mpg
```

We can do many mathematical operations directly in Pandas.

```
[]: df.head()
[38]: # Convert mpg to L/100km by mathematical operation (235 divided by mpg)
      df['city-L/100km'] = 235/df["city-mpg"]
      # check your transformed data
      df.head()
[38]:
         symboling
                     normalized-losses
                                                 make fuel-type aspiration
      0
                  3
                                    122
                                         alfa-romero
                                                             gas
                                                                         std
      1
                  3
                                    122
                                         alfa-romero
                                                             gas
                                                                         std
      2
                  1
                                    122
                                         alfa-romero
                                                             gas
                                                                         std
                  2
      3
                                    164
                                                 audi
                                                                         std
                                                             gas
                  2
      4
                                    164
                                                 audi
                                                             gas
                                                                         std
        num-of-doors
                        body-style drive-wheels engine-location
                                                                    wheel-base
      0
                       convertible
                                              rwd
                                                             front
                                                                           88.6
                  two
      1
                       convertible
                                                             front
                                                                           88.6
                  two
                                              rwd
      2
                         hatchback
                                                             front
                                                                           94.5
                  two
                                              rwd
      3
                              sedan
                                                                           99.8
                 four
                                              fwd
                                                             front
                              sedan
                                                                           99.4
      4
                 four
                                              4wd
                                                             front
                      bore
                                      compression-ratio horsepower peak-rpm
         fuel-system
                             stroke
                                                                               city-mpg
      0
                 mpfi
                       3.47
                                2.68
                                                     9.0
                                                                 111
                                                                        5000.0
                                                                                       21
      1
                 mpfi
                       3.47
                                2.68
                                                     9.0
                                                                 111
                                                                       5000.0
                                                                                       21
      2
                 mpfi
                       2.68
                                3.47
                                                     9.0
                                                                 154
                                                                        5000.0
                                                                                       19
      3
                 mpfi
                       3.19
                                3.40
                                                    10.0
                                                                 102
                                                                        5500.0
                                                                                       24
```

4 mpfi 3.19 3.40 8.0 115 5500.0 18

```
highway-mpg
                  price
                         city-L/100km
           27
                13495.0
                             11.190476
           27
               16500.0
                             11.190476
1
2
           26
               16500.0
                             12.368421
3
           30
                13950.0
                              9.791667
4
           22
                17450.0
                             13.055556
```

[5 rows x 27 columns]

## Question #2:

According to the example above, transform mpg to L/100km in the column of "highway-mpg", and change the name of column to "highway-L/100km".

```
[39]: # Write your code below and press Shift+Enter to execute df["highway-mpg"] = 235/df["highway-mpg"]
```

Double-click here for the solution.

**Data Normalization** 

Why normalization?

Normalization is the process of transforming values of several variables into a similar range. Typical normalizations include scaling the variable so the variable average is 0, scaling the variable so the variable values range from 0 to 1

#### Example

To demonstrate normalization, let's say we want to scale the columns "length", "width" and "height"

Target:would like to Normalize those variables so their value ranges from 0 to 1.

Approach: replace original value by (original value)/(maximum value)

```
[]: # replace (original value) by (original value)/(maximum value)

df['length'] = df['length']/df['length'].max()

df['width'] = df['width']/df['width'].max()
```

Questiont #3:

According to the example above, normalize the column "height".

```
[41]: # Write your code below and press Shift+Enter to execute
df['height'] = df['height']/df['height'].max()
df['height']
```

```
[41]: 0 0.816054
1 0.816054
```

```
2
       0.876254
3
       0.908027
4
       0.908027
196
       0.928094
197
       0.928094
198
       0.928094
199
       0.928094
200
       0.928094
Name: height, Length: 201, dtype: float64
```

Double-click here for the solution.

Here we can see, we've normalized "length", "width" and "height" in the range of [0,1].

Binning

Why binning?

Binning is a process of transforming continuous numerical variables into discrete categorical 'bins', for grouped analysis.

#### Example:

In our dataset, "horsepower" is a real valued variable ranging from 48 to 288, it has 57 unique values. What if we only care about the price difference between cars with high horsepower, medium horsepower, and little horsepower (3 types)? Can we rearrange them into three 'bins' to simplify analysis?

We will use the Pandas method 'cut' to segment the 'horsepower' column into 3 bins

Example of Binning Data In Pandas

Convert data to correct format

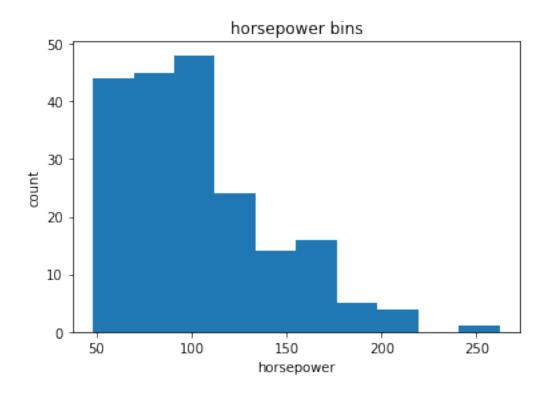
```
[64]: df["horsepower"]=df["horsepower"].astype(int, copy=True)
```

Lets plot the histogram of horspower, to see what the distribution of horsepower looks like.

```
[65]: %matplotlib inline
  import matplotlib as plt
  from matplotlib import pyplot
  plt.pyplot.hist(df["horsepower"])

# set x/y labels and plot title
  plt.pyplot.xlabel("horsepower")
  plt.pyplot.ylabel("count")
  plt.pyplot.title("horsepower bins")
```

```
[65]: Text(0.5, 1.0, 'horsepower bins')
```



We would like 3 bins of equal size bandwidth so we use numpy's linspace(start\_value, end\_value, numbers\_generated function.

Since we want to include the minimum value of horsepower we want to set start\_value=min(df["horsepower"]).

Since we want to include the maximum value of horsepower we want to set end\_value=max(df["horsepower"]).

Since we are building 3 bins of equal length, there should be 4 dividers, so numbers generated=4.

We build a bin array, with a minimum value to a maximum value, with bandwidth calculated above. The bins will be values used to determine when one bin ends and another begins.

```
[66]: bins = np.linspace(min(df["horsepower"]), max(df["horsepower"]), 4)
bins
```

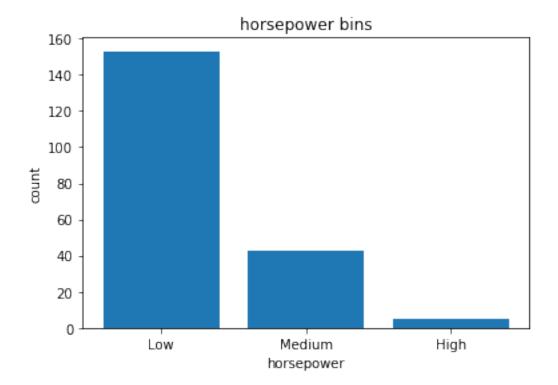
[66]: array([ 48. , 119.33333333, 190.66666667, 262. ])

We set group names:

We apply the function "cut" the determine what each value of "df['horsepower']" belongs to.

```
→include_lowest=True )
      df[['horsepower','horsepower-binned']].head(20)
[68]:
          horsepower horsepower-binned
                  111
                                     Low
                                     T.ow
      1
                  111
      2
                  154
                                  Medium
      3
                  102
                                     T.ow
      4
                  115
                                     Low
      5
                  110
                                     Low
      6
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                                     Low
      7
                  110
                                     Low
                  140
      8
                                  Medium
      9
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                                     Low
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      11
      12
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      13
                  121
      14
                  182
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      15
                  182
                                  Medium
      16
                  182
                                  Medium
      17
                   48
                                     Low
                                     Low
      18
                   70
      19
                   70
                                     Low
     Lets see the number of vehicles in each bin.
[69]: df["horsepower-binned"].value_counts()
[69]: Low
                 153
      Medium
                  43
      High
                   5
      Name: horsepower-binned, dtype: int64
     Lets plot the distribution of each bin.
[70]: %matplotlib inline
      import matplotlib as plt
      from matplotlib import pyplot
      pyplot.bar(group_names, df["horsepower-binned"].value_counts())
      \# set x/y labels and plot title
      plt.pyplot.xlabel("horsepower")
      plt.pyplot.ylabel("count")
      plt.pyplot.title("horsepower bins")
[70]: Text(0.5, 1.0, 'horsepower bins')
```

[68]: |df['horsepower-binned'] = pd.cut(df['horsepower'], bins, labels=group\_names,\_\_



Check the dataframe above carefully, you will find the last column provides the bins for "horse-power" with 3 categories ("Low", "Medium" and "High").

We successfully narrow the intervals from 57 to 3!

Bins visualization

Normally, a histogram is used to visualize the distribution of bins we created above.

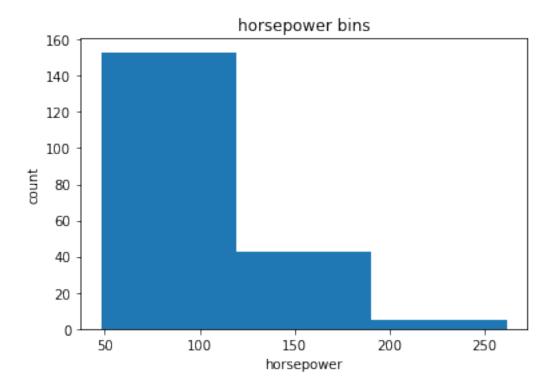
```
[71]: %matplotlib inline
import matplotlib as plt
from matplotlib import pyplot

a = (0,1,2)

# draw historgram of attribute "horsepower" with bins = 3
plt.pyplot.hist(df["horsepower"], bins = 3)

# set x/y labels and plot title
plt.pyplot.xlabel("horsepower")
plt.pyplot.ylabel("count")
plt.pyplot.title("horsepower bins")
```

[71]: Text(0.5, 1.0, 'horsepower bins')



The plot above shows the binning result for attribute "horsepower".

Indicator variable (or dummy variable)

What is an indicator variable?

An indicator variable (or dummy variable) is a numerical variable used to label categories. They are called 'dummies' because the numbers themselves don't have inherent meaning.

Why we use indicator variables?

So we can use categorical variables for regression analysis in the later modules.

#### Example

We see the column "fuel-type" has two unique values, "gas" or "diesel". Regression doesn't understand words, only numbers. To use this attribute in regression analysis, we convert "fuel-type" into indicator variables.

We will use the panda's method 'get\_dummies' to assign numerical values to different categories of fuel type.

## [72]: df.columns

```
'compression-ratio', 'horsepower', 'peak-rpm', 'city-mpg', 'highway-mpg', 'price', 'city-L/100km', 'horsepower-binned'], dtype='object')
```

get indicator variables and assign it to data frame "dummy\_variable\_1"

```
[73]: dummy_variable_1 = pd.get_dummies(df["fuel-type"])
dummy_variable_1.head()
```

[73]: diesel gas
0 0 1
1 0 1
2 0 1
3 0 1
4 0 1

change column names for clarity

[74]: diesel gas 0 0 1 1 0 1 2 0 1 3 0 1 4 0

We now have the value 0 to represent "gas" and 1 to represent "diesel" in the column "fuel-type". We will now insert this column back into our original dataset.

```
[75]: # merge data frame "df" and "dummy_variable_1"
df = pd.concat([df, dummy_variable_1], axis=1)

# drop original column "fuel-type" from "df"
df.drop("fuel-type", axis = 1, inplace=True)
```

[76]: df.head()

```
[76]:
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      1
                                  122 alfa-romero
                                                           std
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      2
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                                  122 alfa-romero
                                                           std
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      3
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                                  164
                                               andi
                                                           std
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                 2
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```

body-style drive-wheels engine-location wheel-base length ... \

```
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                                        front
                                                      88.6
                                                              168.8 ...
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  convertible
                                        front
                                                      88.6
                                                              168.8
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                         rwd
2
     hatchback
                         rwd
                                        front
                                                      94.5
                                                              171.2 ...
3
         sedan
                         fwd
                                        front
                                                      99.8
                                                              176.6 ...
4
         sedan
                         4wd
                                                      99.4
                                                              176.6 ...
                                        front
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                                    peak-rpm city-mpg highway-mpg
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                              111
                                      5000.0
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1
     11.190476
                                Low
                                                1
2
                                                1
     12.368421
                            Medium
                                          0
3
                                          0
                                                1
      9.791667
                                Low
                                          0
4
     13.055556
                                Low
                                                1
```

[5 rows x 29 columns]

The last two columns are now the indicator variable representation of the fuel-type variable. It's all 0s and 1s now.

Question #4:

As above, create indicator variable to the column of "aspiration": "std" to 0, while "turbo" to 1.

```
[78]: # Write your code below and press Shift+Enter to execute v=pd.get_dummies(df['aspiration'])
```

Double-click here for the solution.

Question #5:

Merge the new dataframe to the original dataframe then drop the column 'aspiration'

```
[88]: # Write your code below and press Shift+Enter to execute
df = pd.concat([df,v], axis=1)
df.columns
df.drop(df['aspiration'],axis=1,inplace=True)
df.columns
```

```
dtype='object')
```

Double-click here for the solution.

save the new csv

```
[]: df.to_csv('clean_df.csv')
```

Thank you for completing this notebook

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