

Data Cleaning Walkthrough: Analyzing and Visualizing the Data: Takeaways



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Syntax

- Finding correlations between columns in a dataframe:

```
combined.corr()
```

- Specifying a plot type using Dataframe.plot():

```
combined.plot.scatter(x='total_enrollment', y='sat_score')
```

- Creating a map of New York City:

```
from mpl_toolkits.basemap import Basemap
m = Basemap(
    projection='merc',
    llcrnrlat=40.496044,
    urcrnrlat=40.915256,
    llcrnrlon=-74.255735,
    urcrnrlon=-73.700272,
    resolution='i'
)
m.drawmapboundary(fill_color='#85A6D9')
m.drawcoastlines(color='#6D5F47', linewidth=.4)
m.drawrivers(color='#6D5F47', linewidth=.4)
```

- Converting a Pandas series to list:

```
longitudes = combined["lon"].tolist()
```

- Making a scatterplot using Basemap:

```
m.scatter(longitudes, latitudes, s=20, zorder=2, latlon=True)
```

Concepts

- An r value measures how closely two sequences of numbers are correlated.
- An r value ranges for `-1` to `1`.
- An r value closer to `-1` tells us the two columns are negatively correlated while an r value closer to `1` tells us the columns are positively correlated.
- The r value is also called Pearson's correlation coefficient.
- Keyword arguments for `scatter()` method:
 - `s` : Determines the size of the point that represents each school on the map.
 - `zorder` : Determines where the method draws the points on the z axis. In other words, it determines the order of the layers on the map.
 - `latlon` : A Boolean value that specifies whether we're passing in latitude and longitude coordinates instead of x and y plot coordinates.

Resources

- [R value](#)
- [pandas.DataFrame.plot\(\)](#)
- [Correlation](#)
- [Guess the Correlation](#)

