Effective Programming Practices for Economists

Data management with pandas

Functional data management

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Example

consider this hypothetical survey about a programming course

```
>>> raw = pd.read_csv("survey.csv")
>>> raw
```

Q001	Q002	Q003
0 strongly disagree	agree	python
1 strongly agree	strongly agree	Python
2 -77	disagree	R
3 agree	-77	Python
4 -99	-99	Python
5 NaN	strongly agree	Python
6 neutral	strongly agree	Python
7 disagree	agree	python
8 strongly agree	-99	PYTHON
9 agree	-99	Ypthon

From the metadata you know

• Q001: I am a coding genius

• Q001: I learned a lot

Q003: What is your favourite language

■ -77 not readable

■ -99 no reply