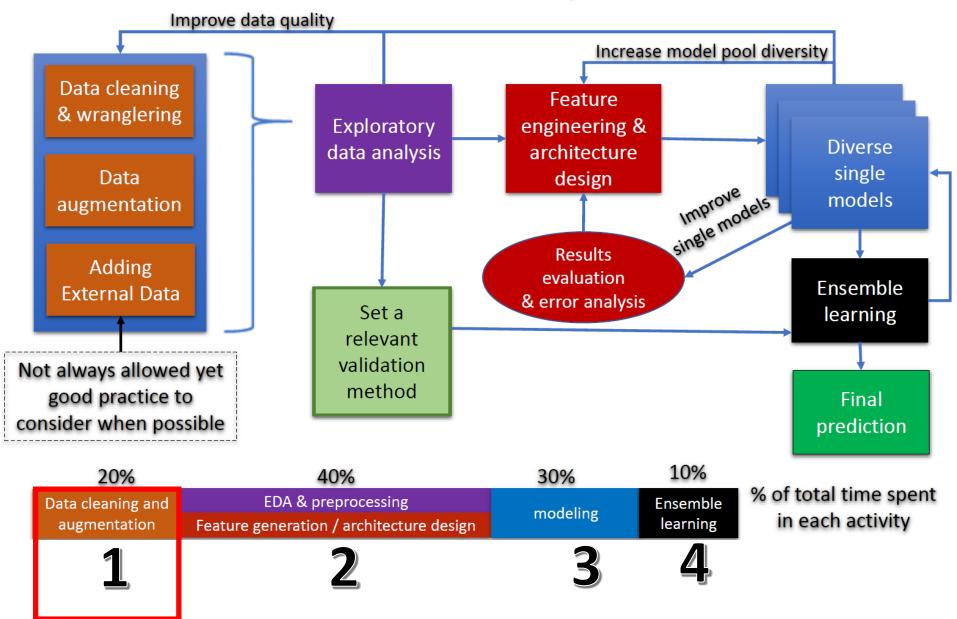


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#### Data Science Project Flow



# Cleaning data

- Prepare data for analysis
- Data almost never comes in clean
- Diagnose your data for problems

## Common data problems

- Inconsistent column names
- Missing data
- Outliers
- Duplicate rows
- Untidy
- Need to process columns
- Column types can signal unexpected data values

# Unclean data



	Continent	Country	female literacy	fertility	population
0	ASI	Chine	90.5	1.769	1.324655e+09
1	ASI	Inde	50.8	2.682	1.139965e+09
2	NAM	USA	99.0	2.077	3.040600e+08
3	ASI	Indonésie	88.8	2.132	2.273451e+08
4	LAT	Brésil	90.2	1.827	NaN

- Column name inconsistencies
- Missing data
- Country names are in French

## Visually inspect

```
In [3]: df.head()
Out[3]:
Continent
             Country
                        female literacy fertility
                                                    population
                 Chine
       ASI
                                   90.5
                                             1.769
                                                    1.324655e+09
0
                  Inde
                                   50.8
      ASI
                                             2.682 1.139965e+09
1
2
                   USA
       NAM
                                   99.0
                                             2.077
                                                    3.040600e+08
3
             Indonésie
      ASI
                                   88.8
                                             2.132 2.273451e+08
                Brésil
       LAT
                                   90.2
                                             1.827
                                                              NaN
In [4]: df.tail()
Out[4]:
Continent
                    Country
                               female literacy fertility
                                                               population
           Sao Tomé-et-Principe
0
       ΑF
                                             90.5
                                                       1.769
                                                              1.324655e+09
1
      LAT
                           Aruba
                                             50.8
                                                       2.682
                                                              1.139965e+09
      ASI
                           Tonga
                                             99.0
                                                       2.077
                                                             3.040600e+08
3
                       Australia
      OCE
                                             88.8
                                                       2.132
                                                              2.273451e+08
       OCE
                          Sweden
                                                                        NaN
4
                                             90.2
                                                       1.827
```

# Visually inspect

```
In [5]: df.columns
Out[5]: Index(['Continent', 'Country ', 'female literacy',
'fertility', 'population'], dtype='object')
In [6]: df.shape
Out[6]: (164, 5)
In [7]: df.info()
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 164 entries, 0 to 163
Data columns (total 5 columns):
Continent 164 non-null object
Country 164 non-null object
female literacy 164 non-null float64
fertility 164 non-null object
population 122 non-null float64
dtypes float64(2), object(3)
memory usage: 6.5+ KB
```

# Data type of each column

```
In [1]: df.info()
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 164 entries, 0 to 163
Data columns (total 5 columns):
continent 164 non-null object
                 164 non-null object
country
female literacy 164 non-null float64
fertility
         164 non-null object
population 122 non-null float64
dtypes float64(2), object(3)
memory usage: 6.5+ KB
```

# Frequency counts: population

# **Tidy data**

- "Tidy Data" paper by Hadley Wickham, PhD
- Formalize the way we describe the shape of data
- Gives us a goal when formatting our data
- "Standard way to organize data values within a dataset"

# Principles of tidy data

- Columns represent separate variables
- Rows represent individual observations
- Observational units form tables

	name	treatment a	treatment b
0	Daniel	-	42
1	John	12	31
2	Jane	24	27

# Converting to tidy data

	name	treatment a	treatment b
0	Daniel	-	42
1	John	12	31
2	Jane	24	27



	name	treatment	value
0	Daniel	treatment a	-
1	John	treatment a	12
2	Jane	treatment a	24
3	Daniel	treatment b	42
4	John	treatment b	31
5	Jane	treatment b	27

- Better for reporting vs. better for analysis
- Tidy data makes it easier to fix common data problems

## Converting to tidy data

- The data problem we are trying to fix:
  - Columns containing values, instead of variables
- Solution: pd.melt()

# Melting

# Pivot: un-melting data

	date	element	value
0	2010-01-30	tmax	27.8
1	2010-01-30	tmin	14.5
2	2010-02-02	tmax	27.3
3	2010-02-02	tmin	14.4



element	tmax	tmin
date		
2010-01-30	27.8	14.5
2010-02-02	27.3	14.4

#### Using pivot when you have duplicate entries

# **Pivot**

	date	element	value
0	2010-01-30	tmax	27.8
1	2010-01-30	tmin	14.5
2	2010-02-02	tmax	27.3
3	2010-02-02	tmin	14.4

	date	element	value
0	2010-01-30	tmax	27.8
1	2010-01-30	tmin	14.5
2	2010-02-02	tmax	27.3
3	2010-02-02	tmin	14.4
4	2010-02-02	tmin	16.4

#### Pivot table

- Has a parameter that specifies how to deal with duplicate values
- Example: Can aggregate the duplicate values by taking their average

## **Concatenating many files**

- Leverage Python's features with data cleaning in pandas
- In order to concatenate DataFrames:
  - They must be in a list
  - Can individually load if there are a few datasets
  - But what if there are thousands?
- Solution: glob function to find files based on a pattern

# Globbing

- Pattern matching for file names
- Wildcards: \*?
  - Any csv file: \*.csv
  - Any single character: file\_?.csv
- Returns a list of file names
- Can use this list to load into separate DataFrames

## **Merging data**

- Similar to joining tables in SQL
- Combine disparate datasets based on common columns

	state	population_2016
0	California	39250017
1	Texas	27862596
2	Florida	20612439
3	New York	19745289

	name	ANSI
0	California	CA
1	Florida	FL
2	New York	NY
3	Texas	TX

### **Merging data**

```
In [1]: pd.merge(left=state_populations, right=state_codes,
                on=None, left_on='state', right_on='name')
   . . . :
Out[1]:
              population_2016
      state
                                   name
                                          ANSI
  California
                     39250017
                              California
                                          CA
                                         TX
       Texas
                     27862596
                                   Texas
   Florida
                                 Florida
                                         FL
                  20612439
    New York
                                New York
                                           NY
               19745289
```

# Duplicate and missing data

# **Duplicate data**

- Can skew results
- '.drop\_duplicates()' method

	name	sex	treatment a	treatment b
0	Daniel	male	i	42
1	John	male	12	31
2	Jane	female	24	27
3	Daniel	male	-	42

# **Drop duplicates**

# Missing data

	total_bill	tip	sex	smoker	day	time	size
0	16.99	1.01	Female	No	Sun	Dinner	2.0
1	NaN	1.66	Male	No	Sun	Dinner	3.0
2	21.01	3.50	Male	No	Sun	Dinner	3.0
3	23.68	NaN	Male	No	Sun	Dinner	2.0
4	24.59	3.61	NaN	NaN	Sun	NaN	4.0

- Leave as-is
- Drop them
- Fill missing value

## Fill missing values with .fillna()

- Fill with provided value
- Use a summary statistic

## **Complex cleaning**

- Cleaning step requires multiple steps
  - Extract number from string
  - Perform transformation on extracted number
- Python function

## **Apply**

```
In [1]: print(df)
       treatment a treatment b
Daniel
                 18
                              42
John
                12
                             31
                24
                             27
Jane
In [2]: df.apply(np.mean, axis=0)
Out[2]:
treatment a 18.000000
treatment b 33.333333
dtype: float64
```