

PROG8245 Lab2 – Data Collection and Pre-processing

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GitHub Link: <https://github.com/chence/DataCollectionPreProcessing.git>

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Setup

Install required libraries (run once).

```
!pip -q install pandas numpy
```

Imports

```
import re
from pathlib import Path

import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
```

Step 1 – Hello, Data!

Load raw CSV, display first 3 rows.

```

primary_path = Path("data/primary_transactions_1000.csv")
secondary_path = Path("data/secondary_product_catalog.csv")

df_txn_raw = pd.read_csv(primary_path)[:500]
df_meta_raw = pd.read_csv(secondary_path)

print(df_txn_raw.head(3))

```

	date	order_id	customer_id	product	product_sku	price	\
0	2025-04-03 15:52	ORD000001	CUST0244	Gym Gloves	SP0-GG-0028	113.30	
1	2024-10-03 08:11	ORD000002	CUST0271	Notebook Set	OFF-NS-0031	196.64	
2	2024-07-08 21:46	ORD000003	CUST0277	Notebook Set	OFF-NS-0031	181.54	

	quantity	coupon_code	shipping_city	payment_method	sales_channel	\
0	3	NONE	Hamilton	Google Pay	Mobile	
1	1	NONE	Guelph	Google Pay	Mobile	
2	2	NONE	Kitchener	Debit	Mobile	

	shipping_cost
0	5.78
1	6.36
2	8.32

Step 2 – Pick the Right Container

Justify dict vs namedtuple vs sets(1–2 sentences)

We use a **DataFrame** for bulk row/column operations, a **dict** for fast key-based lookups/aggregations (e.g., revenue per city), and a **set** to get unique values quickly (e.g., unique city count).

Step 3 – Implement Functions and Data Structure

Implement and use it to populate an data structure.

```

class TransactionProcessor:
    def __init__(self, df: pd.DataFrame):
        self.df = df

    def total(self) -> float:
        # total gross revenue (price * quantity)

```

```

        return float((self.df["price"] * self.df["quantity"]).sum())

def clean(self) -> dict:
    """Apply cleaning rules and return before/after counts."""
    df = self.df.copy()

    before = {
        "rows": int(len(df)),
        "missing_price": int(df["price"].isna().sum()),
        "missing_quantity": int(df["quantity"].isna().sum()),
        "missing_shipping_city": int(df["shipping_city"].isna().sum()),
        "bad_price_nonpositive": int((pd.to_numeric(df["price"], errors="coerce") <= 0).sum()),
        "bad_quantity_nonpositive": int((pd.to_numeric(df["quantity"], errors="coerce") <= 0).sum()),
        "bad_date_parse": int(pd.to_datetime(df["date"], errors="coerce").isna().sum()),
        "coupon_blank": int(df["coupon_code"].astype(str).str.strip().eq("").sum()),
    }

    # Rule 1) Parse date; drop rows where date can't be parsed
    df["date"] = pd.to_datetime(df["date"], errors="coerce")
    df = df.dropna(subset=["date"]).copy()

    # Rule 2) Coerce price/quantity to numeric
    df["price"] = pd.to_numeric(df["price"], errors="coerce")
    df["quantity"] = pd.to_numeric(df["quantity"], errors="coerce")

    # Rule 3) Fix non-positive or missing price -> fill with median price
    df.loc[df["price"] <= 0, "price"] = np.nan
    df["price"] = df["price"].fillna(df["price"].median())

    # Rule 4) Fix non-positive or missing quantity -> fill with 1
    df.loc[df["quantity"] <= 0, "quantity"] = np.nan
    df["quantity"] = df["quantity"].fillna(1).astype(int)

    # Rule 5) Clean shipping_city -> strip; fill missing/blank with 'Unknown'
    df["shipping_city"] = df["shipping_city"].astype(str).str.strip()
    df.loc[df["shipping_city"].isin(["nan", "None", ""]), "shipping_city"] = "Unknown"

    # Rule 6) Clean coupon_code -> strip + upper; fill missing/blank with 'NONE'
    df["coupon_code"] = df["coupon_code"].astype(str).str.strip().str.upper()
    df.loc[df["coupon_code"].isin(["nan", "None", ""]), "coupon_code"] = "NONE"

    after = {

```

```

        "rows": int(len(df)),
        "missing_price": int(df["price"].isna().sum()),
        "missing_quantity": int(df["quantity"].isna().sum()),
        "missing_shipping_city": int(df["shipping_city"].isna().sum()),
        "bad_price_nonpositive": int((df["price"] <= 0).sum()),
        "bad_quantity_nonpositive": int((df["quantity"] <= 0).sum()),
        "bad_date_parse": int(df["date"].isna().sum()),
        "coupon_blank": int(df["coupon_code"].astype(str).str.strip().eq("").sum()),
    }

    self.df = df
    return {"before": before, "after": after}

proc = TransactionProcessor(df_txn_raw)
print(proc.df.head(3))

```

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Step 4 – Bulk Loaded

Example: Map data structures from dataframes to dictionaries.

```

# Example: build a lookup dict from product_sku -> product metadata
meta_by_sku = df_meta_raw.set_index("product_sku").to_dict(orient="index")

# Show 2 example entries
sample_keys = list(meta_by_sku.keys())[:2]
print({k: meta_by_sku[k] for k in sample_keys})

```

```
{'ELE-BS-0001': {'product_name': 'Bluetooth Speaker', 'category': 'Electronics', 'brand': 'MapleWorld'},  
'WE-0002': {'product_name': 'Wireless Earbuds', 'category': 'Electronics', 'brand': 'MapleWorld'}}
```

Step 5 – Quick Profiling

Min/mean/max price, unique city count (set).

```
price_num = pd.to_numeric(df_txn_raw["price"], errors="coerce")  
cities_set = set(df_txn_raw["shipping_city"].astype(str).str.strip())  
  
profiling = {  
    "min_price": float(np.nanmin(price_num)),  
    "mean_price": float(np.nanmean(price_num)),  
    "max_price": float(np.nanmax(price_num)),  
    "unique_city_count": int(len(cities_set)),  
}  
print(profiling)
```

```
{'min_price': 6.6, 'mean_price': 66.25408, 'max_price': 220.98, 'unique_city_count': 20}
```

Step 6 – Spot the Grime

Identify at least three dirty data cases.

```
grime_checks = {  
    "unparseable_dates": int(pd.to_datetime(df_txn_raw["date"], errors="coerce").isna().sum()),  
    "nonpositive_prices": int((pd.to_numeric(df_txn_raw["price"], errors="coerce") <= 0).sum()),  
    "nonpositive_quantities": int((pd.to_numeric(df_txn_raw["quantity"], errors="coerce") <= 0).sum()),  
    "missing_or_blank_city": int(df_txn_raw["shipping_city"].isna().sum() + df_txn_raw["shipping_city"].str.strip().isna().sum()),  
    "missing_or_blank_coupon": int(df_txn_raw["coupon_code"].isna().sum() + df_txn_raw["coupon_code"].str.strip().isna().sum()),  
}  
print(grime_checks)
```

```
{'unparseable_dates': 0, 'nonpositive_prices': 0, 'nonpositive_quantities': 0, 'missing_or_blank_city': 0, 'missing_or_blank_coupon': 0}
```

Step 7 – Cleaning Rules

Execute fixes inside `clean()`; show “before/after” counts.

```
clean_summary = proc.clean()
print(clean_summary)
```

```
{'before': {'rows': 500, 'missing_price': 0, 'missing_quantity': 0, 'missing_shipping_city':
```

```
print(proc.df.head(3))
```

		date	order_id	customer_id	product	product_sku	\
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1	2024-10-03	08:11:00	ORD000002	CUST0271	Notebook Set	OFF-NS-0031	
2	2024-07-08	21:46:00	ORD000003	CUST0277	Notebook Set	OFF-NS-0031	

	price	quantity	coupon_code	shipping_city	payment_method	sales_channel	\
0	113.30	3	NONE	Hamilton	Google Pay	Mobile	
1	196.64	1	NONE	Guelph	Google Pay	Mobile	
2	181.54	2	NONE	Kitchener	Debit	Mobile	

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Step 8 – Transformations

For example: Parse coupon_code numeric discount (others apply).

```
def parse_discount_percent(code: str) -> int:
    """Transform coupon_code into numeric discount percent."""
    if code is None:
        return 0
    code = str(code).strip().upper()
    if code in ("NONE", ""):
        return 0
    if "FREE" in code: # FREESHIP etc.
        return 0
    m = re.search(r"(\d+)$", code) # trailing digits
    return int(m.group(1)) if m else 0

proc.df["discount_percent"] = proc.df["coupon_code"].apply(parse_discount_percent).astype(int)
print(proc.df[["coupon_code", "discount_percent"]].head(10))
```

	coupon_code	discount_percent
0	NONE	0
1	NONE	0
2	NONE	0
3	FLASH5	5
4	NONE	0
5	NONE	0
6	NONE	0
7	NONE	0
8	NONE	0
9	VIP20	20

Step 9 – Feature Engineering

For example: Add days_since_purchase.

```
# days_since_purchase relative to the most recent purchase date in the dataset
reference_date = proc.df["date"].max()
proc.df["days_since_purchase"] = (reference_date - proc.df["date"]).dt.days.astype(int)

# revenue columns
proc.df["gross_revenue"] = (proc.df["price"] * proc.df["quantity"]).round(2)
proc.df["net_revenue"] = (proc.df["gross_revenue"] * (1 - proc.df["discount_percent"] / 100.)).round(2)

print(proc.df[["date", "price", "quantity", "discount_percent", "gross_revenue", "net_revenue"]])
```

	date	price	quantity	discount_percent	gross_revenue	\
0	2025-04-03 15:52:00	113.30	3	0	339.90	
1	2024-10-03 08:11:00	196.64	1	0	196.64	
2	2024-07-08 21:46:00	181.54	2	0	363.08	
3	2024-01-21 16:38:00	42.84	1	5	42.84	
4	2025-05-23 15:46:00	43.10	4	0	172.40	

	net_revenue	days_since_purchase
0	339.90	285
1	196.64	468
2	363.08	554
3	40.70	723
4	172.40	235

Step 10 – Mini-Aggregation

For example: Revenue per shipping_city (dict or pandas.groupby).

```
revenue_per_city = proc.df.groupby("shipping_city")["net_revenue"].sum().round(2).sort_values()

# Show top 10 cities
print(revenue_per_city.head(10))
```

```
shipping_city
Barrie          6630.13
Hamilton        6262.70
Windsor         4565.68
Mississauga      4434.20
Sudbury         3808.26
Waterloo        3385.17
Thunder Bay     3206.55
Niagara Falls   2922.52
Whitby          2666.48
Burlington      2437.20
Name: net_revenue, dtype: float64
```

```
# Also demonstrate a dict result (as required option)
revenue_city_dict = revenue_per_city.to_dict()
print(list(revenue_city_dict.items())[:5])
```

```
[('Barrie', 6630.13), ('Hamilton', 6262.7), ('Windsor', 4565.68), ('Mississauga', 4434.2), ('Sudbury', 3808.26)]
```

Step 11 – Serialization Checkpoint

Save cleaned data to JSON.

```
out_json = Path("output/cleaned_transactions.json")
out_csv = Path("output/cleaned_transactions.csv")

out_json.parent.mkdir(parents=True, exist_ok=True)

proc.df.to_json(out_json, orient="records", indent=2, date_format="iso")
proc.df.to_csv(out_csv, index=False)

print(out_json.as_posix(), out_csv.as_posix())
```


output/cleaned_transactions.json output/cleaned_transactions.csv

Step 12 – Soft Interview Reflection

Markdown: < 120 words explaining how Functions have helped

Our reflection:

Functions helped us make the workflow repeatable and less error-prone. Instead of fixing issues manually each time, we wrapped cleaning rules (date parsing, numeric conversion, missing values) into a `clean()` function so we could run it consistently and compare before/after counts. We also used small transformation functions like `parse_discount_percent()` to convert coupon codes into a numeric feature. This made the code easier to test, reuse, and explain in the notebook, and it kept my analysis steps clearer and more organized.

Data-Dictionary

Merge field definitions from the primary CSV header and the secondary metadata source.

Table fields: **Field**, **Type**, **Description**, **Source**.

```
def infer_type(series: pd.Series) -> str:
    t = str(series.dtype)
    if "datetime" in t:
        return "datetime"
    if "int" in t:
        return "int"
    if "float" in t:
        return "float"
    return "string"

dd_rows = []

# Primary fields
for col in proc.df.columns:
    dd_rows.append({
        "Field": col,
        "Type": infer_type(proc.df[col]),
        "Source": "Primary",
        "Description": f"Transaction field '{col}' from the primary transactions file.",
    })

# Secondary fields
```

```

for col in df_meta_raw.columns:
    dd_rows.append({
        "Field": col,
        "Type": infer_type(df_meta_raw[col]),
        "Source": "Secondary",
        "Description": f"Metadata field '{col}' from the product catalog.",
    })

data_dictionary = pd.DataFrame(dd_rows)

# Remove duplicate field names (prefer Primary CSV if same name exists)
data_dictionary = (
    data_dictionary
    .sort_values(by=["Field", "Source"])
    .drop_duplicates(subset=["Field"], keep="first")
    .reset_index(drop=True)
)

print(data_dictionary.head(50))

```

	Field	Type	Source \
0	base_cost	float	Secondary
1	brand	string	Secondary
2	category	string	Secondary
3	coupon_code	string	Primary
4	customer_id	string	Primary
5	date	datetime	Primary
6	days_since_purchase	int	Primary
7	discount_percent	int	Primary
8	gross_revenue	float	Primary
9	is_fragile	string	Secondary
10	is_perishable	string	Secondary
11	msrp	float	Secondary
12	net_revenue	float	Primary
13	order_id	string	Primary
14	payment_method	string	Primary
15	price	float	Primary
16	product	string	Primary
17	product_name	string	Secondary
18	product_sku	string	Primary
19	quantity	int	Primary
20	sales_channel	string	Primary

21	shipping_city	string	Primary
22	shipping_cost	float	Primary

	Description
0	Metadata field 'base_cost' from the product ca...
1	Metadata field 'brand' from the product catalog.
2	Metadata field 'category' from the product cat...
3	Transaction field 'coupon_code' from the prima...
4	Transaction field 'customer_id' from the prima...
5	Transaction field 'date' from the primary tran...
6	Transaction field 'days_since_purchase' from t...
7	Transaction field 'discount_percent' from the ...
8	Transaction field 'gross_revenue' from the pri...
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10	Metadata field 'is_perishable' from the produc...
11	Metadata field 'msrp' from the product catalog.
12	Transaction field 'net_revenue' from the prima...
13	Transaction field 'order_id' from the primary ...
14	Transaction field 'payment_method' from the pr...
15	Transaction field 'price' from the primary tra...
16	Transaction field 'product' from the primary t...
17	Metadata field 'product_name' from the product...
18	Transaction field 'product_sku' from the prima...
19	Transaction field 'quantity' from the primary ...
20	Transaction field 'sales_channel' from the pri...
21	Transaction field 'shipping_city' from the pri...
22	Transaction field 'shipping_cost' from the pri...

How new columns were created

- discount_percent: extracted from coupon_code (trailing digits → percent; FREE*/NONE → 0).
- days_since_purchase: computed using the most recent date as a reference.
- gross_revenue: price * quantity.
- net_revenue: gross_revenue * (1 - discount_percent/100).

Concise Analytical Insight

One quick insight: which shipping city generates the highest net revenue?

```
top_city = revenue_per_city.index[0]
top_city_revenue = float(revenue_per_city.iloc[0])

# insight
print(
    "Insight: "
    f"The city with the highest net revenue is {top_city}, "
    f"with a total net revenue of ${top_city_revenue:.2f}."
)
```

Insight: The city with the highest net revenue is Barrie, with a total net revenue of \$6630..