

NSDC Spring 2025 Project - Data Cleanup

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The steps below are in accordance to

- YouTube: Explore your data using R programming
- YouTube: Clean your data with R

Chosen Data Set

Financial Transactions Dataset: Analytics

- `cards_data.csv`
 - Credit and debit card details - card limits, types, and activation dates.
- `transactions_data.csv`
 - Detailed transaction records including amounts, timestamps, and merchant details
 - Covers transactions throughout the 2010s
 - Features transaction types, amounts, and merchant information
 - Perfect for analyzing spending patterns and building fraud detection models
- `users_data.csv`
 - Demographic information about customers
 - Account-related details
 - Enables customer segmentation and personalized analysis

Goal: Analyze the three datasets and uncover insight about financial records, fraud detection, customer behavior analysis, or another relevant topic.

DATA SET 1: `cards_data.csv`

```

# tools
# tinytex::install_tinytex()
library("dplyr")

## Warning: package 'dplyr' was built under R version 4.4.2

##
## Attaching package: 'dplyr'

## The following objects are masked from 'package:stats':
##
## filter, lag

## The following objects are masked from 'package:base':
##
## intersect, setdiff, setequal, union

# data
cards_data <- read.csv("C://Users//elias//Downloads//NSDC//cards_data.csv", header = TRUE, sep = ",")

```

Exploring Data Set

The basic structure and look of the data set

```

str(cards_data) # 6146 obs, 13 variables (6146 rows, 13 cols)

## 'data.frame':    6146 obs. of  13 variables:
## $ id              : int  4524 2731 3701 42 4659 4537 1278 3687 3465 3754 ...
## $ client_id       : int  825 825 825 825 825 1746 1746 1746 1746 1746 ...
## $ card_brand      : chr   "Visa" "Visa" "Visa" "Visa" ...
## $ card_type       : chr   "Debit" "Debit" "Debit" "Credit" ...
## $ card_number     : num  4.34e+15 4.96e+15 4.58e+15 4.88e+15 5.72e+15 ...
## $ expires         : chr   "12/2022" "12/2020" "02/2024" "08/2024" ...
## $ cvv            : int   623 393 719 693 75 736 972 48 722 908 ...
## $ has_chip        : chr   "YES" "YES" "YES" "NO" ...
## $ num_cards_issued : int   2 2 2 1 1 1 2 2 2 1 ...
## $ credit_limit     : chr   "$24295" "$21968" "$46414" "$12400" ...
## $ acct_open_date  : chr   "09/2002" "04/2014" "07/2003" "01/2003" ...
## $ year_pin_last_changed: int  2008 2014 2004 2012 2009 2012 2011 2015 2015 2012 ...
## $ card_on_dark_web : chr   "No" "No" "No" "No" ...

head(cards_data) # first few rows

##      id client_id card_brand      card_type  card_number expires cvv has_chip
## 1 4524      825      Visa      Debit 4.344677e+15 12/2022 623      YES
## 2 2731      825      Visa      Debit 4.956966e+15 12/2020 393      YES
## 3 3701      825      Visa      Debit 4.582313e+15 02/2024 719      YES

```

```
## 4 42 825 Visa Credit 4.879494e+15 08/2024 693 NO
## 5 4659 825 Mastercard Debit (Prepaid) 5.722875e+15 03/2009 75 YES
## 6 4537 1746 Visa Credit 4.404899e+15 09/2003 736 YES
## num_cards_issued credit_limit acct_open_date year_pin_last_changed
## 1 2 $24295 09/2002 2008
## 2 2 $21968 04/2014 2014
## 3 2 $46414 07/2003 2004
## 4 1 $12400 01/2003 2012
## 5 1 $28 09/2008 2009
## 6 1 $27500 09/2003 2012
## card_on_dark_web
## 1 No
## 2 No
## 3 No
## 4 No
## 5 No
## 6 No
```

```
tail(cards_data) # last few rows
```

```
## id client_id card_brand card_type card_number expires cvv has_chip
## 6141 4046 185 Mastercard Debit 5.916545e+15 07/2024 314 YES
## 6142 5361 185 Amex Credit 3.006098e+14 01/2024 663 YES
## 6143 2711 185 Visa Credit 4.718517e+15 01/2021 492 YES
## 6144 1305 1007 Mastercard Credit 5.929512e+15 08/2020 237 NO
## 6145 743 1110 Mastercard Debit 5.589769e+15 01/2020 630 YES
## 6146 3199 1110 Visa Credit 4.994011e+15 12/2020 120 YES
## num_cards_issued credit_limit acct_open_date year_pin_last_changed
## 6141 1 $16415 07/2016 2016
## 6142 1 $6900 11/2000 2013
## 6143 2 $5700 04/2012 2012
## 6144 2 $9200 02/2012 2012
## 6145 1 $28074 01/2020 2020
## 6146 1 $14400 05/2017 2017
## card_on_dark_web
## 6141 No
## 6142 No
## 6143 No
## 6144 No
## 6145 No
## 6146 No
```

Table `cd_var_type` - shows each variable and its type

```
cd_var_type <- tibble(
  variable = names(cards_data), # col 1
  type = sapply(cards_data, function(x) class(x)) # col 2
)

cd_var_type <- cd_var_type |> arrange(desc(type))
print(cd_var_type)
```

```
## # A tibble: 13 x 2
##   variable      type
##   <chr>        <chr>
## 1 card_number  numeric
## 2 id           integer
## 3 client_id    integer
## 4 cvv          integer
## 5 num_cards_issued integer
## 6 year_pin_last_changed integer
## 7 card_brand    character
## 8 card_type     character
## 9 expires       character
## 10 has_chip     character
## 11 credit_limit character
## 12 acct_open_date character
## 13 card_on_dark_web character
```

Make it easier to see categories of qualitative variables

```
# Subset the data to only the selected columns and apply unique()
selected_columns <- cards_data[c("card_brand", "card_type", "has_chip", "card_on_dark_web")]
unique_values <- lapply(selected_columns, unique)
```

```
# Print the unique values for the selected columns
print(unique_values)
```

```
## $card_brand
## [1] "Visa"      "Mastercard" "Discover"    "Amex"
##
## $card_type
## [1] "Debit"      "Credit"      "Debit (Prepaid)"
##
## $has_chip
## [1] "YES" "NO"
##
## $card_on_dark_web
## [1] "No"
```

```
# Show table of select columns
table(cards_data$card_brand)
```

```
##
##      Amex  Discover Mastercard      Visa
##      402      209      3209      2326
```

```
table(cards_data$card_type)
```

```
##
##      Credit      Debit Debit (Prepaid)
##      2057      3511      578
```

```
table(cards_data$has_chip)
```

```
##  
##    NO    YES  
## 646 5500
```

```
table(cards_data$card_on_dark_web)
```

```
##  
##    No  
## 6146
```

```
table(cards_data$num_cards_issued)
```

```
##  
##    1    2    3  
## 3114 2972   60
```

Quantitative/Numeric variables:

- id, client_id, card_number, cvv, num_cards_issued

Qualitative/Categorical variables:

- card_brand, card_type, expires, has_chip, credit_limit, card_on_dark_web
- we can make card_brand, card_type, has_chip, credit_limit, ``card_on_dark_web into numeric
- we can make acct_open_type into a numeric BUT not quantitative because format is MM/YYYY (date)

Cleaning Data Set

Find and Deal with Missing Data - none

```
cards_data |>  
  filter(!complete.cases(cards_data)) # there are no observations with NA
```

```
## [1] id          client_id      card_brand  
## [4] card_type     card_number    expires  
## [7] cvv          has_chip      num_cards_issued  
## [10] credit_limit  acct_open_date year_pin_last_changed  
## [13] card_on_dark_web  
## <0 rows> (or 0-length row.names)
```

Find and Deal with Duplicates - none

```
cards_data[duplicated(cards_data)] # NO duplicated observations!
```

```
## data frame with 0 columns and 6146 rows
```

Make card_brand, card_type, has_chip, credit_limit, card_on_dark_web into numeric:
card_brand --> card_brand_num

```
# MUTATE - permanently create card_brand_num -- quantitative version of card_brand  
# card_brand still exists  
cards_data <-  
  cards_data |>  
  mutate(card_brand_num = recode(card_brand,  
                                "Amex" = 1,  
                                "Discover" = 2,  
                                "Mastercard" = 3,  
                                "Visa" = 4))
```

card_type --> card_type_num

```
# MUTATE - permanently create card_type_num -- quantitative version of card_type  
# card_type still exists  
cards_data <-  
  cards_data |>  
  mutate(card_type_num = recode(card_type,  
                                "Credit" = 0,  
                                "Debit" = 1,  
                                "Debit (Prepaid)" = 2))
```

has_chip --> has_chip_num

```
# MUTATE - permanently create has_chip_num -- quantitative version of has_chip  
# has_chip still exists  
cards_data <-  
  cards_data |>  
  mutate(has_chip_num = recode(has_chip,  
                                "YES" = 1,  
                                "NO" = 0,))
```

credit_limit --> credit_limit_num

```
# MUTATE - permanently create credit_limit_num -- quantitative version of credit_limit
# credit_limit still exists
# Remove dollar sign and convert to numeric
cards_data$credit_limit_num <- as.numeric(gsub("\\$", "", cards_data$credit_limit))
print(cards_data$credit_limit_num[1]) # test that it worked
```

```
## [1] 24295
```

```
card_on_dark_web --> card_on_dark_web_num
```

```
# MUTATE - permanently create card_on_dark_web_num -- quantitative version of card_on_dark_web
# card_on_dark_web still exists
cards_data <-
  cards_data |>
  mutate(card_on_dark_web_num = recode(card_on_dark_web,
    "Yes" = 1, # nonexistent!
    "No" = 0))

# Note: There are no cards on the dark web!
```

Now see the whole thing

```
head(cards_data, 5)
```

```
##      id client_id card_brand      card_type  card_number expires cvv has_chip
## 1 4524         825      Visa      Debit 4.344677e+15 12/2022 623      YES
## 2 2731         825      Visa      Debit 4.956966e+15 12/2020 393      YES
## 3 3701         825      Visa      Debit 4.582313e+15 02/2024 719      YES
## 4  42          825      Visa      Credit 4.879494e+15 08/2024 693      NO
## 5 4659         825 Mastercard Debit (Prepaid) 5.722875e+15 03/2009 75      YES
##  num_cards_issued credit_limit acct_open_date year_pin_last_changed
## 1              2      $24295      09/2002              2008
## 2              2      $21968      04/2014              2014
## 3              2      $46414      07/2003              2004
## 4              1      $12400      01/2003              2012
## 5              1          $28      09/2008              2009
##  card_on_dark_web card_brand_num card_type_num has_chip_num credit_limit_num
## 1              No              4              1              1      24295
## 2              No              4              1              1      21968
## 3              No              4              1              1      46414
## 4              No              4              0              0      12400
## 5              No              3              2              1          28
##  card_on_dark_web_num
## 1              0
## 2              0
## 3              0
## 4              0
## 5              0
```

“personal” variables (no levels or categories within the variable)

- id, client_id, card_number, expires, cvv, credit_limit, acct_open_date

```
# NEW DATAFRAME: nonp_cards_data
# nonp_cards_data = only the "nonpersonal" variables that people may have in common
# arranged by card_brand, then card_type, has_chip, num_cards_issued, card_on_dark_web
nonp_cards_data <- cards_data |>
  select(card_brand, card_type, has_chip, num_cards_issued, card_on_dark_web) |>
  arrange(card_brand, card_type, has_chip, num_cards_issued, card_on_dark_web)

# shows how many people have in common with unique combinations of nonp_cards_data
nonp_cards_data |>
  count(card_brand, card_type, has_chip, num_cards_issued, card_on_dark_web) |>
  arrange(desc(n))
```

##	card_brand	card_type	has_chip	num_cards_issued	card_on_dark_web	n
## 1	Mastercard	Debit	YES	1	No	984
## 2	Mastercard	Debit	YES	2	No	960
## 3	Visa	Debit	YES	1	No	612
## 4	Visa	Debit	YES	2	No	564
## 5	Visa	Credit	YES	2	No	364
## 6	Visa	Credit	YES	1	No	350
## 7	Mastercard	Credit	YES	1	No	284
## 8	Mastercard	Credit	YES	2	No	271
## 9	Amex	Credit	YES	2	No	183
## 10	Amex	Credit	YES	1	No	181
## 11	Mastercard	Debit (Prepaid)	YES	1	No	178
## 12	Mastercard	Debit (Prepaid)	YES	2	No	162
## 13	Mastercard	Debit	NO	1	No	119
## 14	Mastercard	Debit	NO	2	No	108
## 15	Discover	Credit	YES	1	No	99
## 16	Visa	Debit (Prepaid)	YES	2	No	88
## 17	Discover	Credit	YES	2	No	87
## 18	Visa	Debit (Prepaid)	YES	1	No	81
## 19	Visa	Debit	NO	1	No	76
## 20	Visa	Debit	NO	2	No	63
## 21	Visa	Credit	NO	1	No	44
## 22	Visa	Credit	NO	2	No	44
## 23	Mastercard	Credit	NO	1	No	43
## 24	Mastercard	Credit	NO	2	No	27
## 25	Mastercard	Debit (Prepaid)	NO	1	No	24
## 26	Amex	Credit	NO	1	No	18
## 27	Amex	Credit	NO	2	No	17
## 28	Mastercard	Debit	YES	3	No	17
## 29	Mastercard	Debit (Prepaid)	NO	2	No	15
## 30	Discover	Credit	NO	1	No	11
## 31	Visa	Debit (Prepaid)	NO	1	No	10
## 32	Visa	Debit (Prepaid)	NO	2	No	10
## 33	Discover	Credit	NO	2	No	9
## 34	Mastercard	Credit	YES	3	No	9
## 35	Visa	Credit	YES	3	No	8

## 36	Visa Debit (Prepaid)	YES	3	No	5
## 37	Visa Debit	YES	3	No	4
## 38	Amex Credit	YES	3	No	3
## 39	Discover Credit	YES	3	No	3
## 40	Mastercard Debit	NO	3	No	3
## 41	Mastercard Debit (Prepaid)	YES	3	No	3
## 42	Mastercard Credit	NO	3	No	1
## 43	Mastercard Debit (Prepaid)	NO	3	No	1
## 44	Visa Credit	NO	3	No	1
## 45	Visa Debit	NO	3	No	1
## 46	Visa Debit (Prepaid)	NO	3	No	1

Export

```
cards_data <-
  cards_data |>
  arrange(card_brand, card_type, credit_limit)

# Create new file and export
write.csv(cards_data, file = "clean_cards_data.csv")

# Detected any NA values (none)
# Detected any duplicate values (none)
# Rerarranged data by 1) card brand, 2) card type, 3) credit limit
# Note: There are no values for "YES" on card_on_dark_web... data is useless for fraud detection.
```