

Practical Data Analysis and Visualization.

A hands - on approach to Processing, Analyzing, and Visualizing Structured Datasets.

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1 Learning Objectives.

- Utilize Pandas as the primary library for processing structured data in Python, with an emphasis on handling CSV files and leveraging advanced features to analyze time series data effectively.
 - Develop robust data preprocessing skills by appropriately managing edge cases, including identification and treatment of missing or incomplete data.
 - Implement user-friendly error handling to ensure reliable and maintainable data processing workflows.
 - Employ NumPy for efficient numerical computations, including array manipulations and vectorized operations to support data analysis tasks.
 - Create insightful visualizations using Matplotlib and/or Seaborn to explore and investigate specific data phenomena.
 - Independently consult plotting library documentation and utilize example code to design and customize more sophisticated visualizations, enhancing interpretability and presentation of data insights.
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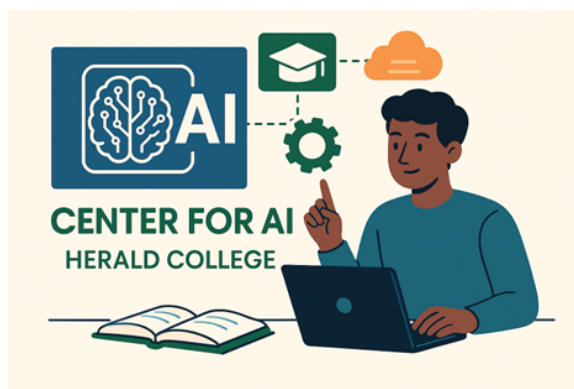


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3 Exercises with Pandas:

Data Analysis with Pandas using California Housing Dataset:

1. Dataset Setup:

The dataset is accessible via `scikit-learn`'s `fetch_california_housing` method. Load it as follows in Python:

Access via:

```
from sklearn.datasets import fetch_california_housing
data = fetch_california_housing(as_frame=True)
df = data.frame
```

The dataset contains the following columns:

- `MedInc` - Median income in block group
- `HouseAge` - Median house age in block group
- `AveRooms` - Average rooms per household
- `AveBedrms` - Average bedrooms per household
- `Population` - Population per block group
- `AveOccup` - Average occupants per household
- `Latitude` - Block group latitude
- `Longitude` - Block group longitude
- `MedHouseVal` - Median house value for California districts



2. Warm - Up Exercises:

Common Setup

- Load the dataset into a Pandas DataFrame.
- Inspect the dataset using `df.info()` and `df.describe()`.

Problem 1 – Sorting

1. Create a DataFrame `med_income` containing only the `MedInc` column. Display the first 5 rows.
2. Create a DataFrame `pop_lat` with columns `Population` and `Latitude` (in that order). Display the first 5 rows.
3. Create a DataFrame `house_age_rooms` with columns `HouseAge` and `AveRooms`. Display the first 5 rows.

Problem 2 – Subsetting

Subsetting Rows:

1. Filter houses where `MedInc > 8.0`, save as `high_income`. Display the result.
2. Filter houses where `Latitude > 37`, save as `north_california`. Display the result.
3. Filter houses where `AveRooms > 6.0` and `AveOccup < 2.0`, save as `spacious_low_occupancy`. Display the result.

Subsetting Categorical Equivalents:

1. Create a new column `Region` based on `Latitude` values:
 - 'North' if `Latitude > 37`
 - 'Central' if `35 < Latitude ≤ 37`
 - 'South' otherwise
2. Filter houses where `Region` is 'North' or 'Central', save as `north_central_region`. Display the result.

Problem – 3 Exploratory Data Analysis:

Q1. Which house has the highest value per room?

Hint:

1. Create a new column `value_per_room = MedHouseVal / AveRooms`.
2. Filter rows where `value_per_room > 1`, save as `high_vpr`.
3. Sort `high_vpr` by descending `value_per_room`, save as `high_vpr_sorted`.
4. Display the top 5 rows with columns `MedHouseVal`, `AveRooms`, and `value_per_room`.

Q2. Among high-population areas (`Population > 5000`), which have the highest median income per person?

Hint:

1. Create a column `income_per_person = MedInc / Population`.
2. Filter rows where `Population > 5000`, save as `dense_areas`.
3. Sort `dense_areas` by descending `income_per_person`, save as `rich_dense_areas`.
4. Display the top 5 rows with `MedInc`, `Population`, and `income_per_person`.

Problem – 4 Group By Exercises:

Q1. What percent of total house value comes from each `Region`?

Hint:

1. Calculate total `MedHouseVal` for all houses.
2. Group by `Region` and sum `MedHouseVal`.
3. Divide each region's total by the overall total to get percentage contributions.

Q2. What percent of total houses belong to different age groups?

Hint:

1. Define `AgeGroup` based on `HouseAge`:
 - 'New': `HouseAge < 20`
 - 'Mid': `20 ≤ HouseAge < 40`
 - 'Old': `HouseAge ≥ 40`
2. Count total houses.
3. Group by `AgeGroup` and count.
4. Compute percentage shares for each group.

3. Advance Exercises:

1. Correlation Analysis:

- Compute Pearson correlation coefficients between `MedHouseVal` and all other numerical features.
- Identify which features have the strongest positive and negative correlations with house value.
- Interpret these relationships.

2. Handling Missing Data:

- Randomly set 5% of `AveRooms` values to `NaN` (simulate missingness).
- Impute missing values using median imputation.
- Visualize and compare distributions of `AveRooms` before and after imputation using histograms or boxplots.
- Discuss the effect of imputation on data distribution.

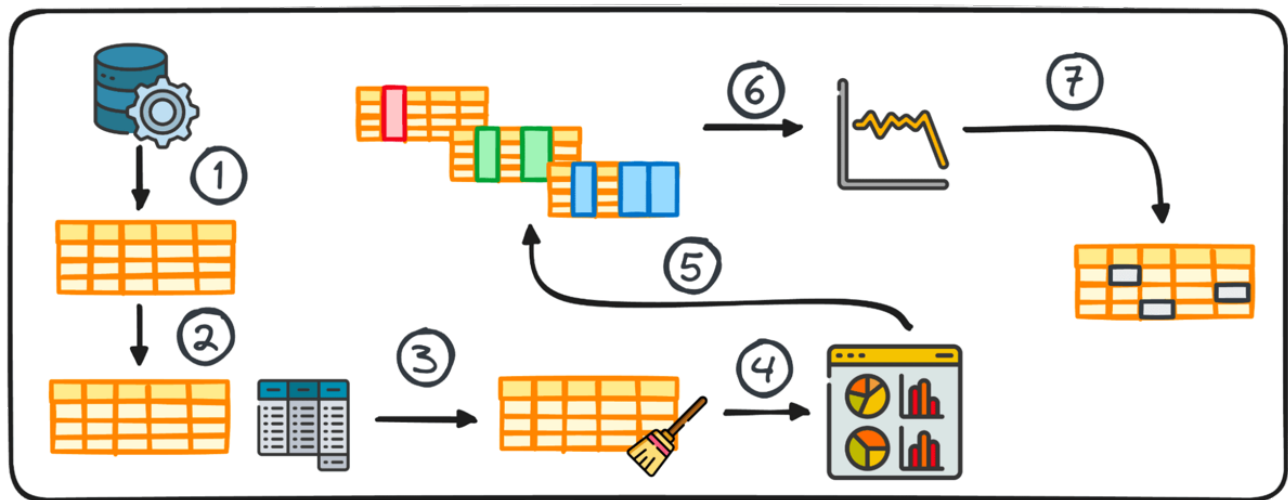


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4 Exercises on Numpy:

1. Numpy Foundations - Warm Up Exercises:

Problem 1 – Array Creation:

1. Create a 1D NumPy array containing integers from 0 to 19.
2. Reshape it into a 4x5 matrix.
3. Generate a 5x5 identity matrix and a 3x3 matrix filled with 7.

Problem 2 – Basic Operations:

1. Create two 3x3 matrices A and B with random integers (0–9).
2. Perform:
 - Element-wise addition, multiplication, and division.
 - Matrix multiplication ($A @ B$).
3. Compute mean, median, standard deviation, and sum for each matrix.

Problem 3 – Indexing and Slicing:

1. Slice the first two rows of matrix A.
2. Select elements greater than 5.
3. Replace all even numbers in A with -1.



2. Numpy: Advanced Exercises:

1. Broadcasting Challenge

- Create a 3x1 column vector and a 1x4 row vector.
- Use broadcasting to generate a 3x4 multiplication table.

2. Vectorization vs Loops

- Write a function to compute element-wise square of an array using:
 - a for-loop
 - NumPy vectorized operation
- Compare their execution time using `%%timeit` or `time` module.

3. Simulation Task

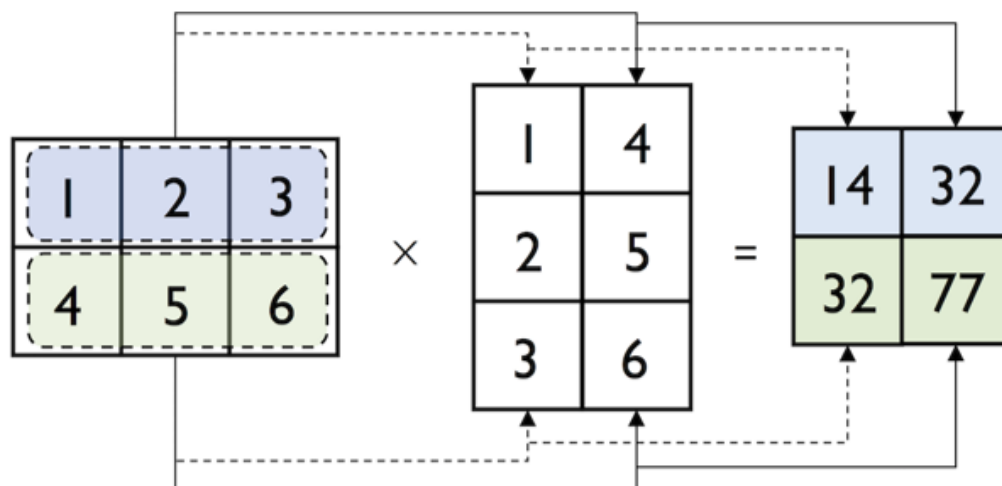
- Simulate 1000 random coin tosses and calculate proportion of heads.
- Simulate 1000 dice rolls and plot histogram of outcomes.

4. Solving Systems of Equations

- Solve the system:

$$3x + y = 9x + 2y = 8$$

- Use `np.linalg.solve` to find the solution.



5 Exercises on Visualization with Matplotlib or Seaborn:

1. Warm - Up Exercises:

Problem 1 – Basic Plotting with Matplotlib

1. Generate a line plot of the function $y = \sin(x)$ over the interval $[0, 2\pi]$.
2. Customize the plot with title, axis labels, and grid.
3. Save the plot to a file.

Problem 2 – Histograms and Bar Plots

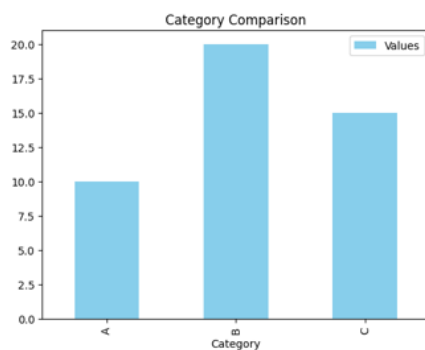
1. Plot a histogram of the `MedHouseVal` column from the California dataset.
2. Create a bar chart comparing average `MedInc` across `Region`.

Problem 3 – Scatter Plots

1. Create a scatter plot of `MedInc` vs. `MedHouseVal`.
2. Color the points by `Region` and add transparency.
3. Add a regression line using Seaborn's `regplot`.

Problem 4 – Subplots

1. Create a 2x2 subplot grid showing:
 - Line plot of sine
 - Histogram of income
 - Bar chart of region-wise population
 - Boxplot of house value grouped by age group



2. Advanced Exercise: Visualization

1. Heatmaps

- Compute the correlation matrix of the California dataset.
- Plot a heatmap using `sns.heatmap` with annotations.

2. Pairplot

- Use Seaborn's `pairplot` to show pairwise relationships between `MedInc`, `MedHouseVal`, `HouseAge`, and `AveRooms`.
- Color points by `Region`.

3. Distribution Analysis

- Use Seaborn's `distplot` or `displot` to visualize:
 - Distribution of `MedHouseVal`
 - Log-transformed version to see skewness reduction

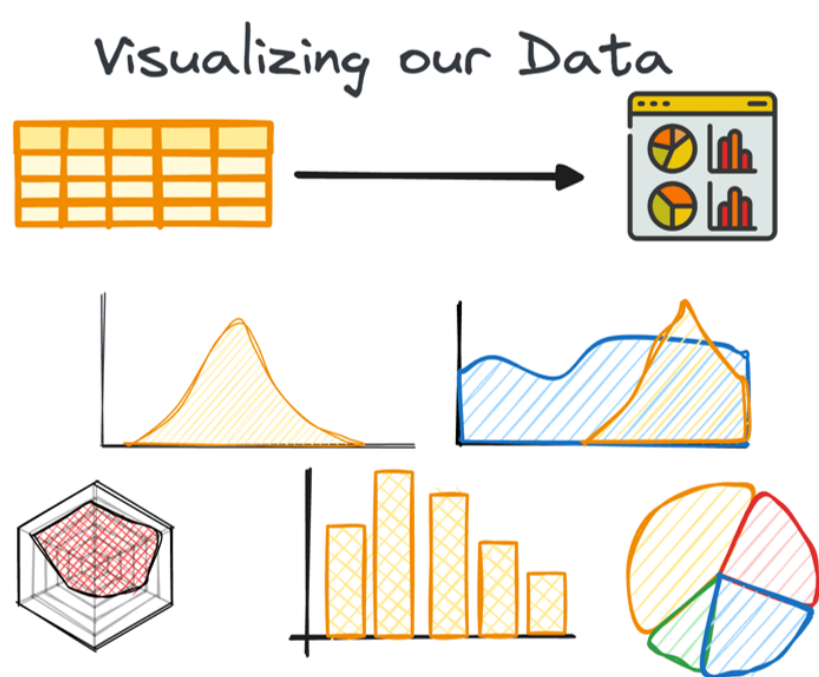


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6 Appendix.

Pandas, Numpy and Visualization Cheat Sheet for Data Analytics:

1. Pandas Cheat Sheet:

1. Core Data Structures

Command	Description
<code>pd.Series([1,2,3])</code>	1D labeled array
<code>pd.DataFrame(dict)</code>	2D labeled data structure
<code>df.index</code>	Access row labels
<code>df.columns</code>	Access column labels

2. Data Loading & Inspection

Command	Description
<code>pd.read_csv('file.csv')</code>	Load CSV file
<code>pd.read_excel('file.xlsx')</code>	Load Excel file
<code>df.head(n)</code>	First n rows
<code>df.tail(n)</code>	Last n rows
<code>df.info()</code>	Data types and memory
<code>df.describe()</code>	Summary statistics
<code>df.shape</code>	(rows, columns) tuple

3. Data Selection

Command	Description
<code>df['col']</code>	Select column
<code>df[['col1', 'col2']]</code>	Select multiple columns
<code>df.loc[row_label]</code>	Select by label
<code>df.iloc[row_index]</code>	Select by position
<code>df.query('a > b')</code>	Boolean selection
<code>df.sample(n=5)</code>	Random sample

4. Data Cleaning

Command	Description
<code>df.isna().sum()</code>	Count missing values
<code>df.dropna()</code>	Remove missing values
<code>df.fillna(value)</code>	Replace missing values
<code>df.duplicated()</code>	Find duplicates
<code>df.drop_duplicates()</code>	Remove duplicates
<code>df.astype('category')</code>	Change data type

5. Data Transformation

Command	Description
<code>df.sort_values('col')</code>	Sort by column
<code>df.rename(columns={})</code>	Rename columns
<code>df.assign(new=expr)</code>	Add new column
<code>df.pivot_table()</code>	Create pivot table
<code>pd.get_dummies(df)</code>	One-hot encoding
<code>df.groupby('col').mean()</code>	Groupby operations

6. Merging & Joining

Command	Description
<code>pd.concat([df1,df2])</code>	Concatenate DataFrames
<code>pd.merge(df1,df2)</code>	Database-style join
<code>df1.join(df2)</code>	Join on index

7. Time Series

Command	Description
<code>pd.to_datetime()</code>	Convert to datetime
<code>df.resample('D').mean()</code>	Resample time series
<code>df.rolling(7).mean()</code>	Rolling window

8. Visualization

Command	Description
<code>df.plot.line()</code>	Line plot
<code>df.plot.bar()</code>	Bar plot
<code>df.plot.hist()</code>	Histogram
<code>df.plot.scatter()</code>	Scatter plot
<code>df.plot.box()</code>	Box plot

2. NumPy Cheat Sheet:

Array Creation	
<code>np.array([1,2,3])</code>	Create 1D array
<code>np.zeros((3,4))</code>	Array of zeros
<code>np.ones((2,2))</code>	Array of ones
<code>np.arange(0,10,2)</code>	Range with step
<code>np.linspace(0,1,5)</code>	Evenly spaced numbers
<code>np.random.rand(2,2)</code>	Random values in [0,1)
Array Properties and Indexing	
<code>a.shape</code>	Dimensions of array
<code>a.size</code>	Total number of elements
<code>a.dtype</code>	Data type
<code>a[1,2]</code>	Access element
<code>a[:,1]</code>	Access column
<code>a[1,:]</code>	Access row
Mathematical Operations	
<code>a + b</code>	Elementwise addition
<code>a * b</code>	Elementwise multiplication
<code>np.dot(a, b)</code>	Matrix multiplication
<code>np.sum(a)</code>	Sum of elements
<code>np.mean(a)</code>	Mean value
<code>np.std(a)</code>	Standard deviation
Reshaping and Manipulation	

<code>a.reshape((3,2))</code> <code>a.flatten()</code> <code>a.T</code> <code>np.concatenate([a,b], axis=0)</code> <code>np.split(a, 2)</code>	Reshape array Flatten to 1D Transpose Combine arrays Split into sub-arrays
Boolean Indexing & Filtering	
<code>a[a > 5]</code> <code>np.where(a > 5, 1, 0)</code> <code>np.any(a > 5)</code> <code>np.all(a > 0)</code>	Filter values Conditional replace Check if any True Check if all True

3. Visualization Cheat Sheet (Matplotlib & Seaborn)

1. Matplotlib Basics

Command	Description
<code>plt.plot(x, y)</code>	Line plot
<code>plt.bar(x, y)</code>	Bar plot
<code>plt.hist(data)</code>	Histogram
<code>plt.scatter(x, y)</code>	Scatter plot
<code>plt.title('Title')</code>	Plot title
<code>plt.xlabel('x')</code>	X-axis label
<code>plt.ylabel('y')</code>	Y-axis label
<code>plt.legend()</code>	Show legend
<code>plt.show()</code>	Display plot

2. Seaborn Basics

Command	Description
<code>sns.lineplot(x, y)</code>	Line plot
<code>sns.barplot(x, y)</code>	Bar chart with confidence intervals
<code>sns.histplot(data)</code>	Histogram
<code>sns.boxplot(x, y)</code>	Box plot
<code>sns.scatterplot(x, y)</code>	Scatter plot
<code>sns.heatmap(data)</code>	Heatmap
<code>sns.pairplot(df)</code>	Pairwise relationships

3. Plot Customization

Command	Description
<code>plt.grid(True)</code>	Show grid
<code>plt.xlim([0,10])</code>	Set x-axis range
<code>plt.ylim([0,5])</code>	Set y-axis range
<code>plt.xticks(rotation=45)</code>	Rotate x-ticks
<code>sns.set(style='whitegrid')</code>	Set plot style

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