

# For the Change Makers

## **Programming for Data Analytics**

Week 7: Data Processing Information Systems and Management Warwick Business School

#### **Remove Duplicate**

- If you data contains duplicates, then you may consider removing those data.
- As always, think about the causes of duplicates first.
- To remove duplicated rows, you can use .drop\_duplicates().

df.drop\_duplicates() # By defaults, it removes rows with same values in all columns. It keeps the first occurrence and drops others.

subset to specify a set of certain columns to identify duplicates.

keep to specify whether to keep first, last occurrence or none

df.drop\_duplicates(subset=['Age', 'Cabin', 'Sex'], keep=False)

#### **Derive and transform columns**

- Sometimes, you may want to create new columns derived from existing ones or transform existing ones.
- \* Normalization and standardization.
- \* Log transformation.
- Continuous to categorial.
- ➤ Dummy variables.

#### **Transformation**

Normalization (more in next week)

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df_titan['FareNor']=(df_titan['Fare']-
df_titan['Fare'].mean())/df_titan['Fare'].std()
```

Log transformation

df\_titan['FareLog'] = np.log(df\_titan['Fare']) # zero division

#### **Categorical to Numeric**

- get\_dummies(column) is a Pandas function used to create dummy variables columns based on unique values in current column. This process is also called one-hot encoding. This function returns a DataFrame.
- pd.get\_dummies(df\_titan['Sex'])
- df\_titan[['Female','Male']] = pd.get\_dummies(df\_titan['Sex'])
- You can convert all categorical columns at once by passing DataFrame as argument.
- pd.get\_dummies(df\_titan, columns=[])

## **Continuous to categorical**

- We can group a range of continuous values into a category by using cut(column,catergory,labels) function. For category, you can pass three types of values:
  - 1. An integer: defines the number of equal-width categories.
  - 2. sequence of scalars: Defines the category boundaries allowing for non-uniform width.
  - 3. IntervalIndex: Defines the exact categories to be used.
- pd.cut(df\_titan['Age'],3) # 3 groups.
- pd.cut(df\_titan['Age'],[0,19,61,100]) # 3 groups with boundaries.
- df\_titan['AgeGroup'] = pd.cut(df\_titan['Age'], [0,19,61,100], labels = ['Minor', 'Adult', 'Elder'])

#### **Derived columns**

- Instead of differentiating parent/children and sibling/spouse, we are only interested in family relationships.
- df\_titan['Family'] = df\_titan["Parch"] + df\_titan["SibSp"]
- df\_titan.loc[df\_titan['Family'] > 0, 'Family'] = 1
- df\_titan.loc[df\_titan['Family'] == 0, 'Family'] = 0

## Split multi-value columns

- Sometimes, you may want to split one column into multiple ones.
  - ➤ Datetime -> Year, Month, Date, Hour, Mins, Secs.
  - ➤ Name -> Title, First Name, Last Name.
  - ➤ Email -> Username, Domain.
- Regular expression can often do the trick.
  - Series.str can be used to access the values of the series as strings and apply several methods to it.
  - extract() is a Series.str method to capture groups in the regex pat as columns in a DataFrame.

## **Regular Expression**

- A Regular Expression, or RegEx, is a sequence of characters that specifies a pattern to be searched.
- RegEx is like a mini "programming language" that embedded in Python, as well as other languages (more or less).
- For example,  $b[A-Z0-9._%+-]+@[A-Z0-9.-]+$ . [A-Z] {2,} b is a regular expression to match valid email addresses.
- Very useful for data collection, extraction and cleaning.
- But requires practice and "trial and error".

## Sets []

- is used to match a single character specified in the brackets..
- [abcd]: Matches either a, b, c or d. It does not match "abcd".
- [a-d]: Matches any one alphabet from a to d.
- [a-] and [-a] | Matches a or -, because is not being used to indicate a series of characters.
- [a-z0-9] | Matches any character from a to z and also from 0 to 9.
- [^] is used to match a single character not specified in the brackets
- [^abc] matches any character that is not a, b and c.

## RegEx in Python

- Python has build-in module re for regular expression operation.

  re.findall(A, B) will matches all instances of a string or an expression A in a string B and returns them in a list.

  print(re.findall("o","I love python")) # ['o','o']
- Add r before string A to indicate a regular expression.
   print(re.findall(r"[a-p]","I love python")) # ['I', 'o', 'e', 'p', 'h', 'o', 'n']
   print(re.findall(r"[lop]","I love python")) # ['I', 'o', 'p', 'o']
   print(re.findall(r"[o-t][v-z]","I love python")) # ['ov', 'py']

#### **Special Sequences**

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w Matches alphanumeric characters, which means a-z, A-Z, and 0-9. It also
matches the ideogram and underscore, _.
print(re.findall(r"\w","I love爱 python3")) # ['I', 'I', 'o', 'v', 'e', '爱', 'p', 'y', 't', 'h', 'o',
'n', '3']
\W matches any character not included in \w.
\d Matches digits, which means 0-9.
print(re.findall(r"\d","I love python3")) # ['3']
print(re.findall(r"\w\d","I love python3")) #['n3']
\D Matches any non-digits.
print(re.findall(r"\D","I love python3")) # ['I', ' ', 'I', 'o', 'v', 'e', ' ', 'p', 'y', 't', 'h', 'o',
'n']
```

#### **Regular Expression Quantifiers**

```
0 or more
      1 or more
      0 or 1
{2}
      Exactly 2
{2,
      Between 2 and 5
5}
{2,}
      2 or more
(,5) Up to 5
```

#### Example

• Find all WBS student id in a text, such as u1888888.

re.findall( $r'u1\d\d\d\d\d$ )

re.findall(r'u1\d $\{6\}$ ') #re.findall(r'u1\d+')

- \s | Matches whitespace characters, which include the \t (tab space), \n (new line), \r (return), and space characters.
- **\S** | Matches non-whitespace characters.

print(re.findall(r"\S","I love python3.")) # ['I', 'I', 'o', 'v', 'e', 'p', 'y', 't', 'h', 'o', 'n', '3', '.']

- **\b** | matches the empty string (zero-width character, not blank space) at the beginning or end, i.e. boundary of a word (\w), in other words, between \w and \W.
- **\B** | matches the any position that is not a word boundary \b.

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print(re.findall(r"\w\b","I, love.")) #['I', 'e']

print(re.findall(r"\w\B","I, love.")) # ['I', 'o', 'v']

/B | | | | | |
```

#### **Special Characters**

^ | matches the starting position of the string.
print(re.findall(r'^\w','I, love, python')) # ['I']
\$ | matches the ending position of the string.
print(re.findall(r'\w\$','I, love, python')) # ['n']

- . | matches any character except line terminators like \n.
- \ | Escapes special characters or denotes character classes.
- A B | Matches expression A or B.