

DATA WRANGLING

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Data Wrangling

- Data wrangling, sometimes referred to as data munging, is the process of transforming and mapping data from one "raw" data form into another format with the intent of making it more appropriate and valuable for a variety of downstream purposes such as analytics.



Data Wrangling tasks



1. Discovering

- Discovery refers to the process of familiarizing yourself with data so you can conceptualize how you might use it.
- During discovery, you may identify trends or patterns in the data, along with obvious issues, such as missing or incomplete values that need to be addressed.
- This is an important step, as it will inform every activity that comes afterward.

2. Structuring

- The data structuring step, sometimes called data transformation, focuses on organizing the data into a unified format so that it is suitable for analysis.
- **Aggregation**: Combining rows of data by using summary statistics and grouping data based on certain variables.

Aggregated Data

| Year 2020 | |
|-----------|-----------|
| Year 2019 | |
| Year 2018 | |
| Quarter | Cost |
| Q1 | \$224,000 |
| Q2 | \$408,000 |
| Q3 | \$350,000 |
| Q4 | \$586,000 |

| Year | Cost |
|------|-------------|
| 2018 | \$1,568,000 |
| 2019 | \$2,356,000 |
| 2020 | \$3,594,000 |

- **Pivoting**: Shifting data between rows and columns or transforming data into other formats to prepare it for use.

| Student | Subject | Marks |
|---------|-------------|-------|
| Jacob | Mathematics | 100 |
| Jacob | Science | 95 |
| Jacob | Geography | 90 |
| Amilee | Mathematics | 90 |
| Amilee | Science | 95 |
| Amilee | Geography | 100 |

| Student | Mathematics | Science | Geography |
|---------|-------------|---------|-----------|
| Jacob | 100 | 95 | 90 |
| Amilee | 90 | 95 | 100 |

Original Records → PIVOT Data

- **Joining**: Combining data from multiple tables and combining related information from disparate sources.

| Year | Quarter | Month | Users |
|------|---------|-------|-------|
| 2019 | Q1 | Jan | 150 |
| 2019 | Q1 | Feb | 170 |
| 2019 | Q1 | Mar | 160 |
| 2019 | Q2 | Apr | 200 |
| 2019 | Q2 | May | 190 |

| Year | Quarter | Ad Partner |
|------|---------|------------|
| 2019 | Q1 | A |
| 2019 | Q2 | A |
| 2019 | Q3 | A |
| 2019 | Q4 | A |
| 2020 | Q1 | B |

| Year | Quarter | Month | Users | Ad Partner |
|------|---------|-------|-------|------------|
| 2019 | Q1 | Jan | 150 | A |
| 2019 | Q1 | Feb | 170 | A |
| 2019 | Q1 | Mar | 160 | A |
| 2019 | Q2 | Apr | 200 | A |
| 2019 | Q2 | May | 190 | A |

- **Data type conversion**: Changing the data type of a variable to aid in performing calculations and applying statistical methods.

| Date |
|------------|
| 1980-04-01 |
| 1978-06-24 |
| 1982-10-07 |
| 1980-12-25 |
| 1970-02-28 |

| Date |
|------------|
| 04-01-1980 |
| 06-24-1978 |
| 10-07-1982 |
| 12-25-1980 |
| 02-28-1970 |

3. Cleaning

- Data cleaning involves handling missing values, removing duplicates and correcting errors or inconsistencies.

| Name | Age |
|--------|-----|
| Jim | 26 |
| Dwight | 28 |
| Tobi | 32 |
| Dwight | 28 |

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|--------|-----|
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Remove Duplicate Rows

| Size |
|--------|
| Small |
| NaN |
| Medium |
| Large |

| Size |
|-------|
| False |
| True |
| False |
| False |

dtype: category
categories: ['Small', 'Medium', 'Large']

dtype: bool

Missing Values in Category Column

| | Postal Address | Permanent Address | | Postal Address | Permanent Address |
|---|----------------|-------------------|---|----------------|-------------------|
| 0 | New York | Miami | 0 | New York | Miami |
| 1 | NaN | Amsterdam | 1 | Amsterdam | Amsterdam |
| 2 | London | London | 2 | London | London |
| 3 | Mumbai | Rajkot | 3 | Mumbai | Rajkot |
| 4 | NaN | Sydney | 4 | Sydney | Sydney |

| Fillna with another column values | | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|---|
| Col 1 | Col 2 | ... | Col n | Col 1 | 2 |
| | | | | Col 2 | 1 |
| NaN | | | | | |
| NaN | | | | Col n | 0 |
| | NaN | | | | |

Missing Values Count

4. Enriching

- Data enrichment involves adding new information to existing data sets to enhance their value. Sometimes called data augmentation
- It involves assessing what additional information is necessary and where it might come from.
- Then, the additional information must be integrated with the existing data set and cleaned in the same ways as the original data.
- Merging data from multiple sources to develop a more comprehensive dataset.

| ID | var1 | var2 | var3 | | ID | var1 | var2 | var3 |
|-----|------|------|------|---|-----|------|---------|-----------|
| 588 | 2 | d | 1 | + | 588 | 290 | Apples | Breakfast |
| 654 | 1 | y | 1 | | 654 | 81 | Bananas | Snack |
| 527 | 1 | o | 0 | | 527 | 63 | Apples | Snack |
| 955 | 2 | c | 0 | | 955 | 6 | Pears | Snack |
| 954 | 1 | t | 0 | | 954 | 146 | Pears | Breakfast |

| ID | var1 | var2 | var3 | var4 | var5 | var6 |
|-----|------|------|------|------|---------|-----------|
| 588 | 2 | d | 1 | 225 | Apples | Breakfast |
| 654 | 1 | y | 1 | 36 | Bananas | Snack |
| 527 | 1 | o | 0 | 245 | Apples | Snack |
| 955 | 2 | c | 0 | 46 | Pears | Snack |
| 954 | 1 | t | 0 | 121 | Pears | Breakfast |

- Creating new features from existing data that can provide additional insights when analyzed.
- Feature creation involves generating new features from domain knowledge or by observing patterns in the data.
- It can be:
 - Domain-specific:** Created based on industry knowledge like business rules.
 - Data-driven:** Derived by recognizing patterns in data.
 - Synthetic:** Formed by combining existing features.

5. Validating

- This step involves verifying the accuracy and consistency of the wrangled data. First, validation rules must be established based on business logic, data constraints and other issues.
 - ✓ Data type validation: Helping ensure correct data types.

- ✓ Range or format checks: To verify values fall within acceptable ranges and adhere to certain formats.
- ✓ Consistency checks: Making sure that there is a logical agreement between related variables.
- ✓ Uniqueness checks: Confirming that certain variables (such as customer or product ID numbers) have unique values.
- ✓ Cross-field validation: Checking for logical relationships between variables (for example, age and birthdate).
- ✓ Statistical analysis: Identifying outliers or anomalies by using descriptive statistics and visualizations.

6. Publishing

- Once your data has been validated, you can publish it. This involves making it available to others within your organization for analysis.