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## Working with Text Data in pandas

In [1]:

```
import pandas as pd

time_sentences = ["Monday: The doctor's appointment is at 2:45pm.",
                  "Tuesday: The dentist's appointment is at 11:30 am.",
                  "Wednesday: At 7:00pm, there is a basketball game!",
                  "Thursday: Be back home by 11:15 pm at the latest.",
                  "Friday: Take the train at 08:10 am, arrive at 09:00am."]

df = pd.DataFrame(time_sentences, columns=['text'])
df
```

Out[1]:

	text
0	Monday: The doctor's appointment is at 2:45pm.
1	Tuesday: The dentist's appointment is at 11:30...
2	Wednesday: At 7:00pm, there is a basketball game!
3	Thursday: Be back home by 11:15 pm at the latest.
4	Friday: Take the train at 08:10 am, arrive at ...

In [2]:

```
# find the number of characters for each string in df['text']
df['text'].str.len()
```

Out[2]:

0	46
1	50
2	49
3	49
4	54

Name: text, dtype: int64

In [3]:

```
# find the number of tokens for each string in df['text']
df['text'].str.split().str.len()
```

Out[3]:

```
0      7
1      8
2      8
3     10
4     10
Name: text, dtype: int64
```

In [4]:

```
# find which entries contain the word 'appointment'
df['text'].str.contains('appointment')
```

Out[4]:

```
0      True
1      True
2     False
3     False
4     False
Name: text, dtype: bool
```

In [5]:

```
# find how many times a digit occurs in each string
df['text'].str.count(r'\d')
```

Out[5]:

```
0      3
1      4
2      3
3      4
4      8
Name: text, dtype: int64
```

In [6]:

```
# find all occurrences of the digits
df['text'].str.findall(r'\d')
```

Out[6]:

```
0      [2, 4, 5]
1      [1, 1, 3, 0]
2      [7, 0, 0]
3      [1, 1, 1, 5]
4      [0, 8, 1, 0, 0, 9, 0, 0]
Name: text, dtype: object
```

In [7]:

```
# group and find the hours and minutes
df['text'].str.findall(r'(\d?\d):(\d\d)')
```

Out[7]:

```
0      [(2, 45)]
1      [(11, 30)]
2      [(7, 00)]
3      [(11, 15)]
4      [(08, 10), (09, 00)]
Name: text, dtype: object
```

In [8]:

```
# replace weekdays with '???'
df['text'].str.replace(r'\w+day\b', '???')
```

Out[8]:

```
0      ??? : The doctor's appointment is at 2:45pm.
1      ??? : The dentist's appointment is at 11:30 am.
2      ??? : At 7:00pm, there is a basketball game!
3      ??? : Be back home by 11:15 pm at the latest.
4      ??? : Take the train at 08:10 am, arrive at 09:...
Name: text, dtype: object
```

In [9]:

```
# replace weekdays with 3 letter abbreviations
df['text'].str.replace(r'(\w+day\b)', lambda x: x.groups()[0][:3])
```

Out[9]:

```
0      Mon: The doctor's appointment is at 2:45pm.
1      Tue: The dentist's appointment is at 11:30 am.
2      Wed: At 7:00pm, there is a basketball game!
3      Thu: Be back home by 11:15 pm at the latest.
4      Fri: Take the train at 08:10 am, arrive at 09:...
Name: text, dtype: object
```

In [10]:

```
# create new columns from first match of extracted groups
df['text'].str.extract(r'(\d?\d):(\d\d)')
```

Out[10]:

	0	1
0	2	45
1	11	30
2	7	00
3	11	15
4	08	10