MISSING VALUE HANDLING IN PYTHON

import pandas as pd
import os

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We need data that is:

- Relevant
- Connected



- Accurate
- Enough to work with

Example of missing values dataset CSV file

missing_values.csv

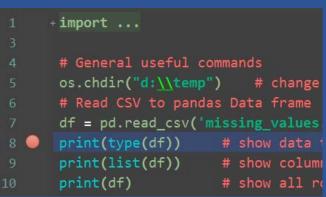
| | А | В | С | D | Е | F | G | Н | 1 |
|----|---------|-----|-----------------|--------|---------------|-----------------|---------|------|-------------------|
| 1 | | age | years_seniority | income | parking_space | attending_party | entree | pets | emergency_contact |
| 2 | Tony | 48 | 27 | | 1 | 5 | shrimp | | Pepper |
| 3 | Donald | 67 | 25 | 86 | 10 | 2 | beef | | Jane |
| 4 | Henry | 69 | 21 | 95 | 6 | 1 | chicken | 62 | Janet |
| 5 | Janet | 62 | 21 | 110 | 3 | 1 | beef | | Henry |
| 6 | Nick | | 17 | | 4 | | | | |
| 7 | Bruce | 37 | 14 | 63 | | 1 | veggie | | NA |
| 8 | Steve | 83 | | 77 | 7 | 1 | chicken | | n/a |
| 9 | Clint | 27 | 9 | 118 | 9 | | shrimp | 3 | None |
| 10 | Wanda | 19 | 7 | 52 | 2 | 2 | shrimp | | empty |
| 11 | Natasha | 26 | 4 | 162 | 5 | 3 | | | _ |
| 12 | Carol | | 3 | 127 | 11 | 1 | veggie | 1 | пп |
| 13 | Mandy | 44 | 2 | 68 | 8 | 1 | chicken | | null |

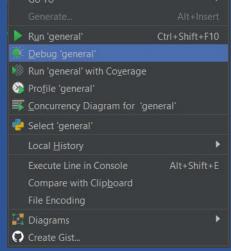
General commands

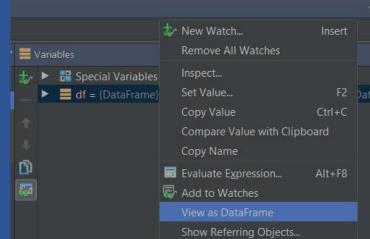
```
import pandas as pd
     import os
    # General useful commands
      os.chdir("d:\\temp") # change current directory
      # Read CSV to pandas Data frame
      df = pd.read_csv('missing_values.csv')
      print(type(df)) # show data type of df
      print(list(df)) # show column list
                        # show all rows & columns
  print(df)
10
      # column projection limit
11
12 print(df[['name', 'age', 'income']])
13 # row limit
      print(df[['name', 'age', 'income']].head(n=5))
14
```

View variable as Data Frame

| | name | age | years_senio | income | parking_sp | attending | entree | pets | emergency. |
|----|---------|----------|-------------|-----------|------------|-----------|---------|----------|------------|
| 0 | Tony | 48.00000 | 27.00000 | nan | 1.00000 | 5.00000 | shrimp | nan | Pepper |
| 1 | Donald | 67.00000 | 25.00000 | 86.00000 | 10.00000 | 2.00000 | beef | nan | Jane |
| 2 | Henry | 69.00000 | 21.00000 | 95.00000 | 6.00000 | 1.00000 | chicken | 62.00000 | Janet |
| 3 | Janet | 62.00000 | 21.00000 | 110.00000 | 3.00000 | 1.00000 | beef | nan | Henry |
| 4 | Nick | nan | 17.00000 | nan | 4.00000 | nan | nan | nan | nan |
| 5 | Bruce | 37.00000 | 14.00000 | 63.00000 | nan | 1.00000 | veggie | nan | nan |
| 6 | Steve | 83.00000 | nan | 77.00000 | 7.00000 | 1.00000 | chicken | nan | n/a |
| 7 | Clint | 27.00000 | 9.00000 | 118.00000 | 9.00000 | nan | shrimp | 3.00000 | None |
| 8 | Wanda | 19.00000 | 7.00000 | 52.00000 | 2.00000 | 2.00000 | shrimp | nan | empty |
| 9 | Natasha | 26.00000 | 4.00000 | 162.00000 | 5.00000 | 3.00000 | nan | nan | |
| 10 | Carol | nan | 3.00000 | 127.00000 | 11.00000 | 1.00000 | veggie | 1.00000 | |
| 11 | Mandy | 44.00000 | 2.00000 | 68.00000 | 8.00000 | 1.00000 | chicken | nan | null |







Replace missing values with the mean

```
import pandas as pd
       import os
       # Replace missing values with the mean (age)
       # column = age
       os.chdir("d:\\temp")
       df = pd.read_csv('missing values.csv')
       print(type(df))
       print(list(df))
       print(df[['name', 'age', 'income']])
       # replace missing value with mean
11
       # and create a new column 'age1'
12
       df['age1'] = df[['age']].fillna(df.mean()['age':'age'])
       print(df[['age', 'age1']])
14
       print("end")
       print("***")
```

```
age age1
48.0 48.0
67.0 67.0
69.0 69.0
62.0 62.0
NaN 48.2
37.0 37.0
83.0 83.0
27.0 27.0
19.0 19.0
26.0 26.0
NaN 48.2
44.0 44.0
```

Replace missing values with the median

```
import pandas as pd
       import os
       # Replace missing values with the median
       # column = age
       os.chdir("d:\\temp")
       df = pd.read csv('missing values.csv')
       print(type(df))
       print(list(df))
       print(df[['name', 'age', 'income']])
       df['age1'] = df[['age']].fillna(df.median()['age':'age'])
11
       print(df[['age', 'age1']])
12
       print("end")
       print("***")
14
```

| age | age1 |
|------|------|
| 48.0 | 48.0 |
| 67.0 | 67.0 |
| 69.0 | 69.0 |
| 62.0 | 62.0 |
| NaN | 46.0 |
| 37.0 | 37.0 |
| 83.0 | 83.0 |
| 27.0 | 27.0 |
| 19.0 | 19.0 |
| 26.0 | 26.0 |
| NaN | 46.0 |
| 44.0 | 44.0 |

Replace missing values with an interpolated estimate

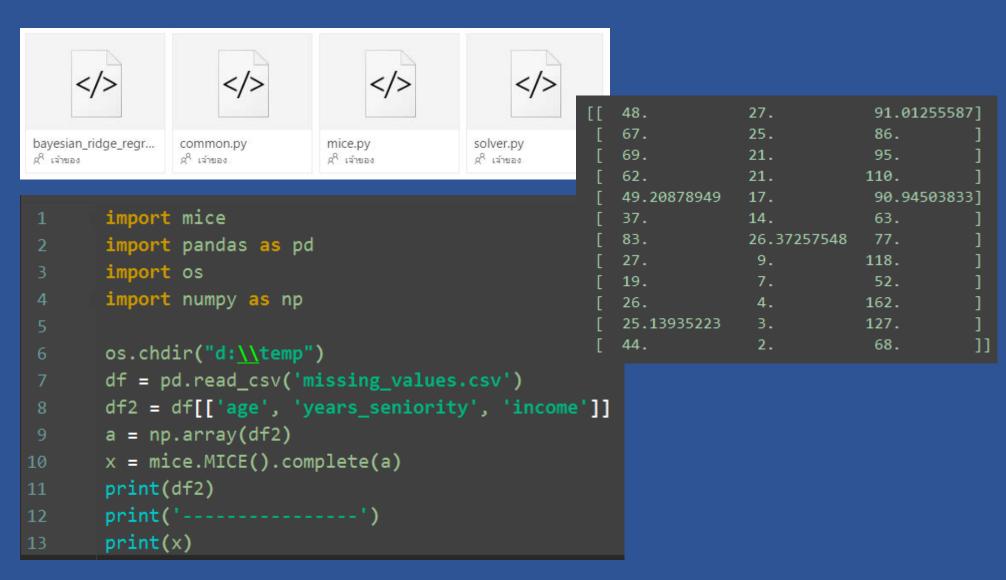
```
years seniority years seniority1
                                                                          27.0
                                                                                           27.0
                                                                          25.0
                                                                                           25.0
       import pandas as pd
                                                                          21.0
                                                                                           21.0
       import os
                                                                                           21.0
                                                                          21.0
                                                                                           17.0
                                                                          17.0
                                                                          14.0
                                                                                           14.0
       # Replace missing values with an interpolated estimate
                                                                           NaN
                                                                                           11.5
       # column = years seniority
                                                                           9.0
                                                                                            9.0
       os.chdir("d:\\temp")
                                                                           7.0
                                                                                            7.0
       df = pd.read_csv('missing_values.csv')
                                                                           4.0
                                                                                            4.0
       print(type(df))
                                                                           3.0
                                                                                            3.0
                                                                           2.0
                                                                                            2.0
       print(list(df))
       print(df[['name', 'age', 'years_seniority']])
       df['years_seniority1'] = df[['years_seniority']].fillna(11.5)
11
       print(df[['years_seniority', 'years_seniority1']])
12
       print("end")
       print("***")
```

Replace missing values with a constant

```
import pandas as pd
       import os
       # Replace missing values with a constant
       # column = income
       os.chdir("d:\\temp")
       df = pd.read_csv('missing_values.csv')
       print(type(df))
       print(list(df))
       print(df[['name', 'age', 'income']])
10
       df['income1'] = df[['income']].fillna(250)
       print(df[['income', 'income1']])
12
       print("end")
       print("***")
14
```

| income | income1 |
|--------|---------|
| NaN | 250.0 |
| 86.0 | 86.0 |
| 95.0 | 95.0 |
| 110.0 | 110.0 |
| NaN | 250.0 |
| 63.0 | 63.0 |
| 77.0 | 77.0 |
| 118.0 | 118.0 |
| 52.0 | 52.0 |
| 162.0 | 162.0 |
| 127.0 | 127.0 |
| 68.0 | 68.0 |
| | |

Replace missing values using imputation (MICE)



Replace missing values with a missing rank

```
import pandas as pd
       import os
       # Replace missing values with a missing rank
       # column = parking_space
       os.chdir("d:\\temp")
       df = pd.read csv('missing values.csv')
       print(type(df))
       print(list(df))
       print(df[['name', 'age', 'parking_space']])
10
       # Missing one might be 12
       df['park1'] = df[['parking_space']].fillna(12)
12
       print(df[['parking space', 'park1']])
       print("end")
       print("***")
15
```

```
parking space
              park1
         1.0
                1.0
        10.0
               10.0
         6.0
              6.0
         3.0
                3.0
         4.0
              4.0
         NaN
               12.0
         7.0
               7.0
         9.0
                9.0
         2.0
                2.0
         5.0
                5.0
        11.0
               11.0
         8.0
                8.0
```

Replace missing values with a dummy

```
import pandas as pd
       import os
       # Replace missing values with a dummy
       # column = parking_space
       os.chdir("d:\\temp")
       df = pd.read_csv('missing_values.csv')
       print(type(df))
       print(list(df))
10
       print(df[['name', 'age', 'parking_space']])
11
       # dummy is -99
       df['park1'] = df[['parking_space']].fillna(-99)
12
13
       print(df[['parking_space', 'park1']])
       print("end")
14
       print("***")
15
```

```
parking space
            park1
        1.0
             1.0
       10.0 10.0
        6.0 6.0
        3.0 3.0
        4.0 4.0
        NaN -99.0
        7.0 7.0
        9.0 9.0
        2.0 2.0
        5.0
            5.0
       11.0
            11.0
        8.0
             8.0
```

Replace missing values with 0

```
attending party party
       import pandas as pd
                                                                    5.0
                                                                         5.0
                                                                    2.0
                                                                         2.0
       import os
                                                                    1.0
                                                                         1.0
                                                                    1.0
                                                                         1.0
                                                                         0.0
       # Replace missing values with 0
                                                                    NaN
                                                                   1.0
                                                                         1.0
       # column = attending_party
                                                                         1.0
                                                                    1.0
       os.chdir("d:\\temp")
                                                                    NaN
                                                                         0.0
                                                                    2.0
                                                                         2.0
       df = pd.read_csv('missing_values.csv')
                                                                         3.0
                                                                    3.0
       print(type(df))
                                                                         1.0
                                                                    1.0
                                                                   1.0
                                                                         1.0
       print(list(df))
10
       print(df[['name', 'age', 'attending party']])
       df['party'] = df[['attending_party']].fillna(0)
11
12
       print(df[['attending_party', 'party']])
       print("end")
13
```

Create an indicator variable for "missing"

```
pets
                                                                         pets1
                                                                               pets2
        import pandas as pd
                                                               name
                                                               Tony
                                                                     NaN
                                                                          0.0
                                                                               True
        import os
                                                             Donald
                                                                    NaN
                                                                          0.0
                                                                               True
                                                                              False
                                                              Henry
                                                                    62.0
                                                                          62.0
                                                              Janet
                                                                          0.0
                                                                               True
                                                                     NaN
        # Create an indicator variable for "missi
                                                               Nick
                                                                     NaN
                                                                          0.0
                                                                               True
                                                                     NaN
                                                                               True
                                                              Bruce
                                                                          0.0
        # column = pets
                                                              Steve
                                                                     NaN
                                                                          0.0
                                                                               True
        os.chdir("d:\\temp")
                                                              Clint
                                                                              False
                                                                     3.0
                                                                          3.0
                                                              Wanda
                                                                     NaN
                                                                          0.0
                                                                               True
        df = pd.read_csv('missing_values.csv')
                                                            Natasha
                                                                     NaN
                                                                          0.0
                                                                               True
                                                                              False
        df['pets1'] = df[['pets']].fillna(0)
                                                              Carol
                                                                     1.0
8
                                                              Mandy
                                                                     NaN
                                                                          0.0
                                                                               True
        df['pets2'] = df[['pets1']].isin([0])
        print(df[['name', 'pets', 'pets1', 'pets2']])
10
        print("end")
```

Replace missing values with a string

```
emergency_contact
                                                                      е1
                                                           Pepper
                                                                  Pepper
                                                                   Jane
                                                            Jane
                                                            Janet
                                                                   Janet
import pandas as pd
                                                            Henry
                                                                   Henry
import os
                                                             NaN
                                                                      no
                                                             NaN
                                                                      no
# Replace missing values with a string
                                                             n/a
                                                                     n/a
                                                                    None
                                                             None
# column = emergency_contact
                                                                   empty
                                                            empty
os.chdir("d:\\temp")
df = pd.read_csv('missing_values.csv')
df['e1'] = df[['emergency_contact']].fillna('no')
                                                            null
                                                                    null
print(df[['emergency_contact', 'e1']])
print("end")
```

Add an indicator variable showing which strings are considered "missing."

```
import pandas as pd
import os

# Add an indicator variable showing which
# strings are considered "missing."

# column = emergency_contact

os.chdir("d:\\temp")

df = pd.read_csv('missing_values.csv')

k = ['NA', 'n/a', 'None', 'empty', '_', '""', 'null']

df['e1'] = df[['emergency_contact']].isin(k)

print(df[['name', 'emergency_contact', 'e1']])

print("end")
```

| | name | emergency_contact | e1 |
|----|---------|-------------------|-------|
| 0 | Tony | Pepper | False |
| 1 | Donald | Jane | False |
| 2 | Henry | Janet | False |
| 3 | Janet | Henry | False |
| 4 | Nick | NaN | False |
| 5 | Bruce | NaN | False |
| 6 | Steve | n/a | True |
| 7 | Clint | None | True |
| 8 | Wanda | empty | True |
| 9 | Natasha | | True |
| 10 | Carol | 0.0 | True |
| 11 | Mandy | null | True |

Delete columns that are missing too many values to be useful

```
import pandas as pd
       import os
       # Delete columns that are missing too
       # many values to be useful
       # column = pets
       os.chdir("d:\\temp")
       df = pd.read_csv('missing_values.csv')
       del df['pets']
       print(df)
10
       print("end")
11
```

Delete rows that are missing critical values

```
import pandas as pd
import os

# Delete row that are missing too
# many values to be useful
os.chdir("d:\\temp")
df = pd.read_csv('missing_values.csv')
df = df.dropna(how='any') # 'all'
print(df)
print("end")
```

More information on Missing value handling in Python

Pandas 0.20.1 documentation: Working with missing data

https://pandas.pydata.org/pandas-docs/stable/missing_data.html

Source code

https://github.com/laploy/ML/blob/master/missing%20value%20python%20msvs.zip