

THE DISCOVERY OF HANDWASHING

In 1847, the Hungarian physician Ignaz Semmelweis made a breakthrough discovery: he discovers handwashing. Contaminated hands was a major cause of childbed fever and by enforcing handwashing at his hospital he saved hundreds of lives.

Import Libraries

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In [1]: import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
import seaborn as sns
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
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Load The Dataset

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In [3]: df=pd.read_csv(r'C:\Users\user\Downloads\yearly_deaths_by_clinic.csv')
df
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Out[3]:
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	year	births	deaths	clinic
0	1841	3036	237	clinic 1
1	1842	3287	518	clinic 1
2	1843	3060	274	clinic 1
3	1844	3157	260	clinic 1
4	1845	3492	241	clinic 1
5	1846	4010	459	clinic 1
6	1841	2442	86	clinic 2
7	1842	2659	202	clinic 2
8	1843	2739	164	clinic 2
9	1844	2956	68	clinic 2
10	1845	3241	66	clinic 2
11	1846	3754	105	clinic 2

Basic Chacks

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In [4]: df.head()
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Out[4]:
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	year	births	deaths	clinic
0	1841	3036	237	clinic 1
1	1842	3287	518	clinic 1
2	1843	3060	274	clinic 1
3	1844	3157	260	clinic 1
4	1845	3492	241	clinic 1

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In [5]: df.tail()
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Out[5]:
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	year	births	deaths	clinic
7	1842	2659	202	clinic 2
8	1843	2739	164	clinic 2
9	1844	2956	68	clinic 2
10	1845	3241	66	clinic 2
11	1846	3754	105	clinic 2

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In [6]: df.describe()
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Out[6]:
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	year	births	deaths
count	12.000000	12.000000	12.000000
mean	1843.500000	3152.750000	223.333333
std	1.783765	449.078476	145.383089
min	1841.000000	2442.000000	66.000000
25%	1842.000000	2901.750000	100.250000
50%	1843.500000	3108.500000	219.500000
75%	1845.000000	3338.250000	263.500000
max	1846.000000	4010.000000	518.000000

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In [7]: df.isnull().sum()
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Out[7]:
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year	0
births	0
deaths	0
clinic	0

dtype: int64

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In [9]: df.dtypes
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Out[9]:
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year	int64
births	int64
deaths	int64
clinic	object

dtype: object

Alarming number of deaths

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In [11]: df["proportion_deaths"] = df['deaths'] / df['births']
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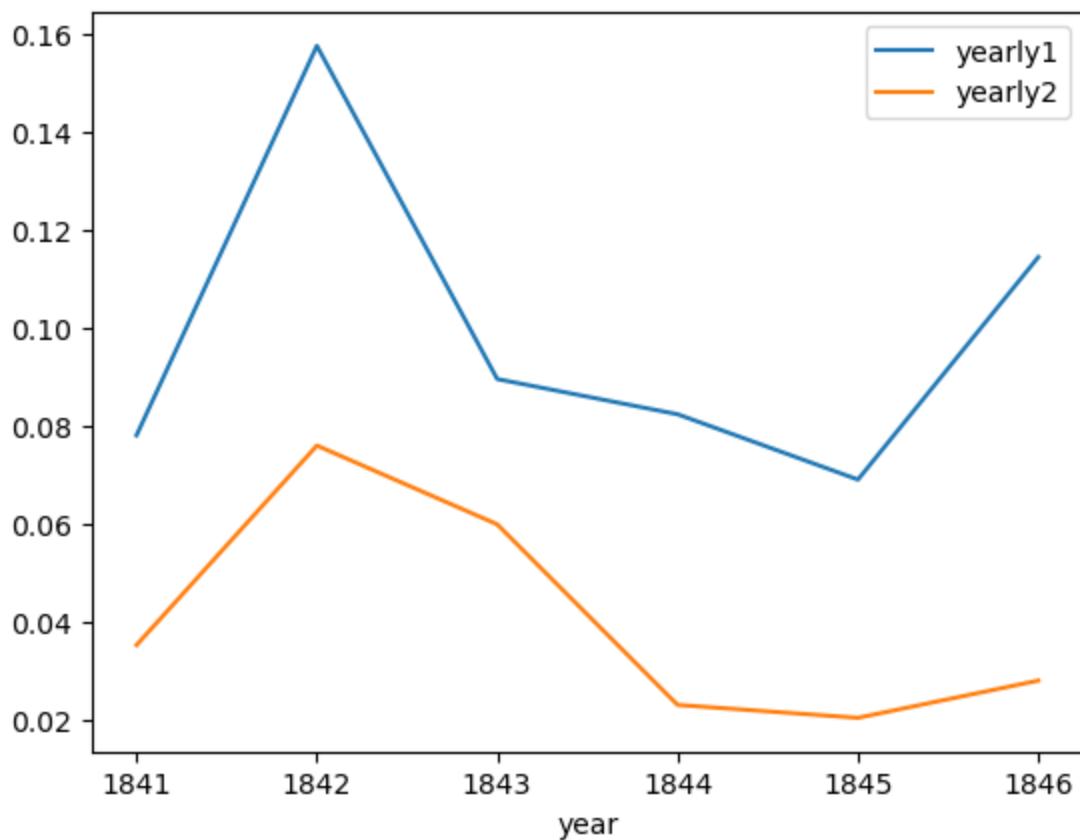
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In [13]: df1 = df.iloc[0:6]
df2 = df.iloc[6:12]
print(df1)
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	year	births	deaths	clinic	proportion_deaths
0	1841	3036	237	clinic 1	0.078063
1	1842	3287	518	clinic 1	0.157591
2	1843	3060	274	clinic 1	0.089542
3	1844	3157	260	clinic 1	0.082357
4	1845	3492	241	clinic 1	0.069015
5	1846	4010	459	clinic 1	0.114464

Death at the clinic

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In [14]: %matplotlib inline
ax = df1.plot(x='year', y='proportion_deaths', label='yearly1')
df2.plot(x='year', y='proportion_deaths', label='yearly2', ax=ax)
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Out[14]: <Axes: xlabel='year'>
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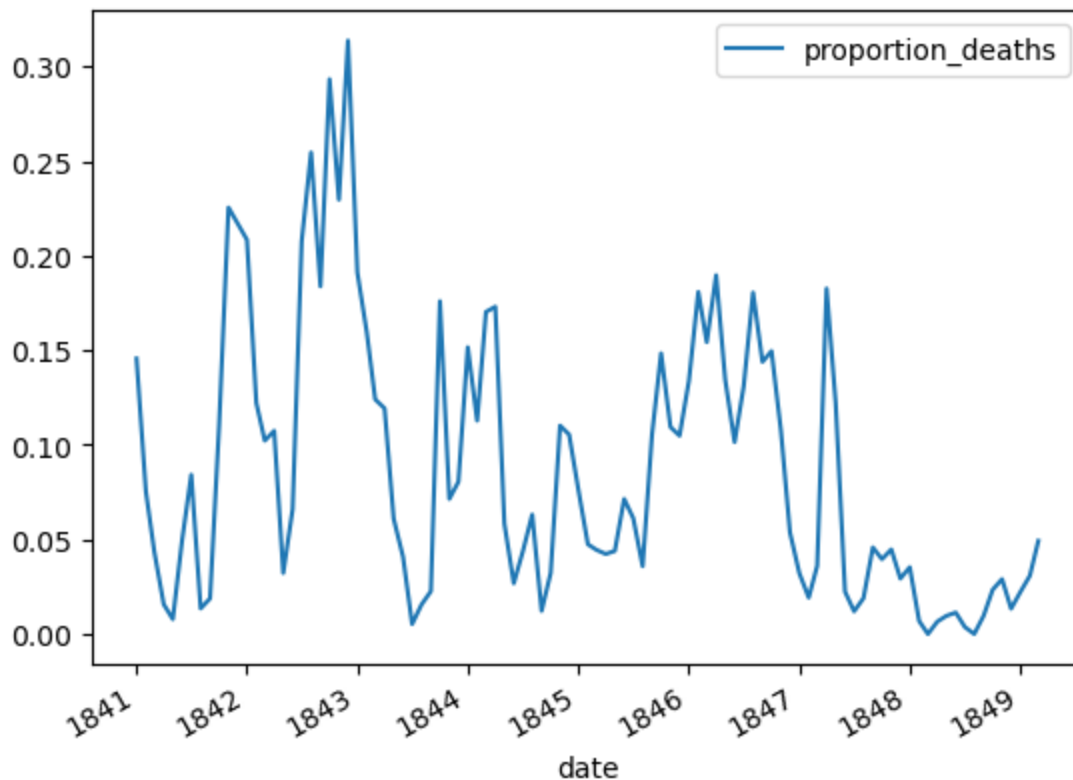
The handwashing begins

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In [16]: monthly = pd.read_csv(r'C:\Users\user\Downloads\monthly_deaths.csv', parse_dates=['date'])
monthly["proportion_deaths"] = monthly['deaths'] / monthly['births']
print(monthly.head())
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	date	births	deaths	proportion_deaths
0	1841-01-01	254	37	0.145669
1	1841-02-01	239	18	0.075314
2	1841-03-01	277	12	0.043321
3	1841-04-01	255	4	0.015686
		255	2	0.007843

The effect of handwashing

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In [17]: ax = monthly.plot(x='date', y='proportion_deaths')
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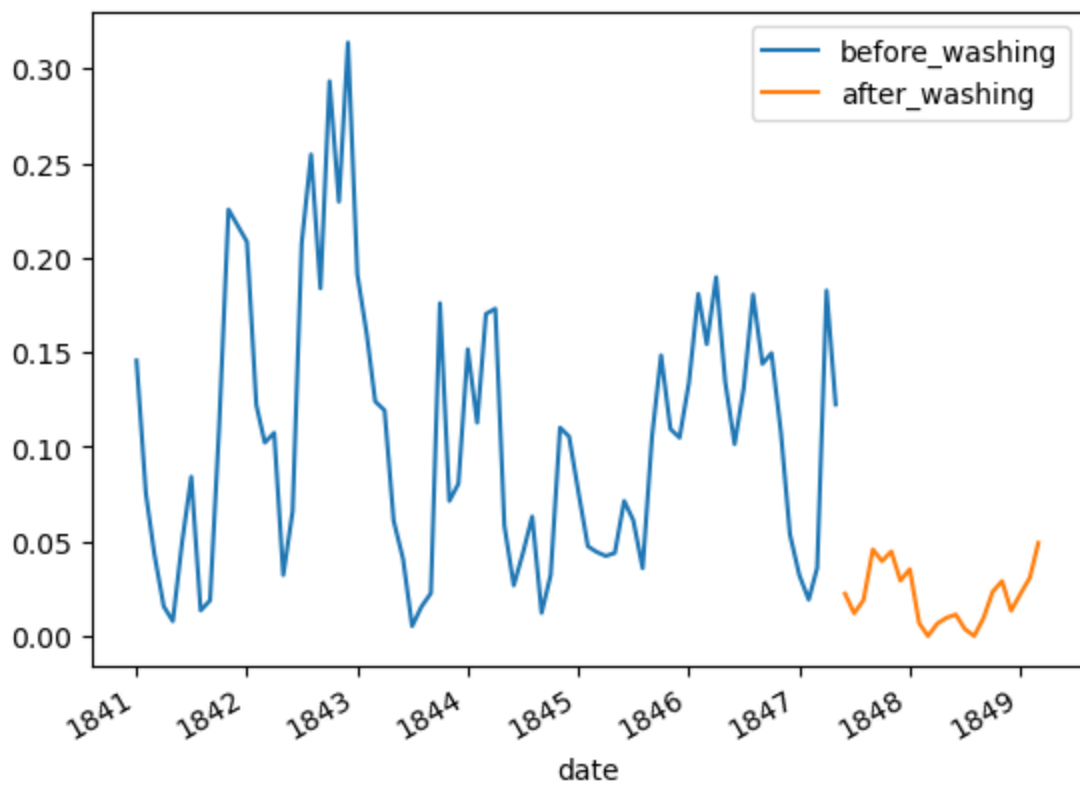
The effect of handwashing highlighted

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In [18]: import pandas as pd
handwashing_start = pd.to_datetime('1847-06-01')

before_washing = monthly[monthly['date'] < handwashing_start]
after_washing = monthly[monthly['date'] >= handwashing_start]

ax = before_washing.plot(x='date', y='proportion_deaths', label='before_washing')
after_washing.plot(x='date', y='proportion_deaths', label='after_washing', ax=ax)
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Out[18]: <Axes: xlabel='date'>
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More handwashing, fewer deaths?

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In [19]: before_proportion = before_washing['proportion_deaths']
after_proportion = after_washing['proportion_deaths']
mean_diff = after_proportion.mean() - before_proportion.mean()
mean_diff
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Out[19]: -0.08395660751183336
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A Bootstrap analysis of Semmelweis handwashing data

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In [20]: boot_mean_diff = []
for i in range(3000):
    boot_before = before_proportion.sample(frac=1, replace=True)
    boot_after = after_proportion.sample(frac=1, replace=True)
    boot_mean_diff.append(boot_after.mean() - boot_before.mean())

confidence_interval = pd.Series(boot_mean_diff).quantile([0.025, 0.975])
confidence_interval
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Out[20]: 0.025    -0.100992
0.975    -0.066386
dtype: float64
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The fate of Dr. Semmelweis

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In [21]: # The data Semmelweis collected points to that:
doctors_should_wash_their_hands = True
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In [ ]:
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