Cleaning Data: Python Data Playbook

UNDERSTANDING YOUR DATA



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Overview



Understanding Your Data

- Understand and convert types
- Aggregate data
- Normalize data
- Transform data
- Filter data



Tate Gallery Artwork Dataset



https://www.tate.org.uk/aboutus/digital/collection-data

> 69,000 pieces of artwork

Sample data set of 10 pieces



Demo



Understand the types of data we have

View it in aggregate, and in summary

Transform and filter

Know what we have, and how to limit and change it



Viewing and Converting Types



Aggregating Data



Normalizing Data



Transforming Data



Filtering Data



Review





df.dtypes

■ View the data types of columns

df.year.astype(float)

■ Convert column to new type

df.year = df.year.astype(float)

■ Assign converted type back to dataframe

pd.to_numeric(df.height, errors="coerce")

◄ Coerce errors



df.year.min()

df.agg(['min', 'max'])

◄ Call functions on series

■ Use .agg to call multiple functions on the dataframe (c - c.mean()) / c.std()

■ Standardize around 0

(c-c.min()) / (c.max() - c.min())

■ Normalize between 0 and 1

df['normalized_column'] = new_values

◆ Assign normalized values back to dataframe as a new column df.height.transform(lambda x: x / 10)

◄ Transform a single column

df.groupby('artist').transform('nunique')

■ View data summary by group

df.groupby('artist')['height']
 .transform('mean')

◆ Transform a single column grouped by another column



df.filter(items=['id', 'artist'])

■ View only certain columns

df.filter(regex="(?i)year")

■ View columns that match a regex

df.filter(axis=0, like='100', case=False)

◄ Switch the axis to filter rows