Concatenating data

CLEANING DATA IN PYTHON

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Combining data

- Data may not always come in 1 huge file
  - 5 million row dataset may be broken into 5 separate datasets
  - Easier to store and share
  - May have new data for each day
- Important to be able to combine then clean, or vice versa

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print(concatenated)
```

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Concatenating DataFrames

	country	year	variable	value
0	AD	2000	m014	0
1	AE	2000	m014	2
2	AF	2000	m014	52
3	AD	2000	m1524	0
4	AE	2000	m1524	4
5	AF	2000	m1524	228

	age_group	sex
0	014	m
1	014	m
2	014	m
3	1524	m
4	1524	m
5	1524	m

Let's practice!

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Finding and concatenating data

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Concatenating many files

- Leverage Python's features with data cleaning in `pandas`
- In order to concatenate DataFrames:
  - They must be in a list
  - Can individually load if there are a few datasets
  - But what if there are thousands?
- Solution: `glob()` function to find files based on a pattern

Globbing

- Pattern matching for file names
- Wildcards: `*` and `?`
  - Any csv file: `*.csv`
  - Any single character: `file_?.csv`
- Returns a list of file names
- Can use this list to load into separate DataFrames

The plan

- Load files from globbing into `pandas`
- Add the DataFrames into a list
- Concatenate multiple datasets at once

Find and concatenate

```
import glob
csv_files = glob.glob('*.csv')
print(csv_files)
```

```
['file5.csv', 'file2.csv', 'file3.csv', 'file1.csv', 'file4.csv']
```

Using loops

```
list_data = []

for filename in csv_files:
    data = pd.read_csv(filename)
    list_data.append(data)

pd.concat(list_data)
```

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Merge data

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Merging data

```
pd.merge(left=state_populations, right=state_codes,
         on=None, left_on='state', right_on='name')
```

```
        state   population_2016        name   ANSI
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Different types of merges

- One-to-one
- Many-to-one
- Many-to-many
- All use the same function
- Only difference is the DataFrames you are merging

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