

Merging and Data Cleaning

Data Boot Camp

Lesson 4.3



Class Objectives

By the end of today's class, you will be able to:



Merge DataFrames and distinguish between inner, outer, left, and right merges.



Slice data by using the cut() method, and create new values based on a series of bins.



Fix Python/Pandas bugs within Jupyter Notebook.



Use Google to explore additional Pandas functionality.



Instructor Demonstration

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What's Merging?



Sometimes, an analyst will receive data split across multiple tables and sources.



Working across multiple tables is error-prone and confusing.



Merging is the process of combining two tables based on shared data.



Shared data can be an identical column in both tables or a shared index.



In Pandas, we can merge separate DataFrames by using the pd.merge() method.

Merging DataFrames: Inner Joins

An inner join is the default method for combining DataFrames by using pd.merge(). It only returns data whose values match. Rows that do not include matching data will be dropped from the combined DataFrame.

Out[3]:

	customer_id	item	cost
0	403	soda	3.0
1	112	chips	4.5
2	543	TV	600.0
3	999	Laptop	900.0
4	654	Cooler	150.0

Merging DataFrames: Outer Joins

Outer joins combine the DataFrames whether or not any of the rows match. They must be declared as a parameter within the pd.merge() method by using the syntax how="outer".

```
In [5]: # Merge two dataframes using an outer join
merge_df = pd.merge(info_df, items_df, on="customer_id", how="outer")
merge_df
```

Out[5]:

	customer_id	name	email	item	cost
0	112	John	jman@gmail	chips	4.5
1	403	Kelly	kelly@aol.com	soda	3.0
2	999	Sam	sports@school.edu	Laptop	900.0
3	543	April	April@yahoo.com	TV	600.0
4	123	Bobbo	HeylmBobbo@msn.com	NaN	NaN
5	654	NaN	NaN	Cooler	150.0

Merging DataFrames: Right and Left Joins

These joins protect the data contained within one DataFrame, like an outer join does, while also dropping the rows with null data from the other DataFrame.

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Activity: Census Merging

In this activity, you will merge the two Census datasets that we created in the last class, and then do a calculation and sort the values.

Suggested Time:

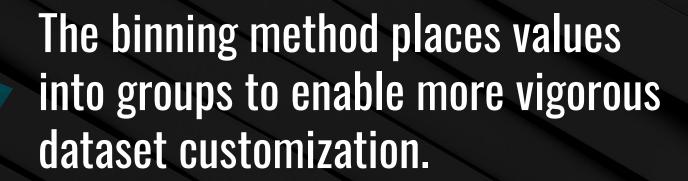
20 minutes

Activity: Census Merging

Instructions	Read in both of the CSV files, and print out their DataFrames.
	Perform an inner merge that combines both DataFrames on the Year and State columns.
	Create a DataFrame that filters the data on only 2019.
	Add a new column that calculates the Poverty Rate.
	Sort the data by Poverty Rate and Average Per Capita Income by County, highest to lowest, to find the state or territory with the highest poverty rate.
	Print out the data for the state or territory with the highest poverty rate.
Bonus	Print out the data for the state or territory with the lowest poverty rate with one line of code.







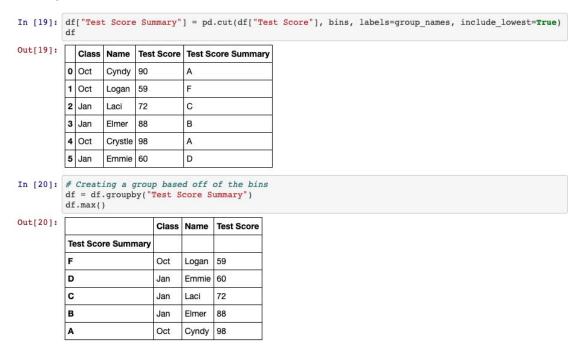
Binning Data: pd.cut()

Use pd.cut() when you need to segment and sort data values into bins. This function is also useful for going from a continuous variable to a categorical variable.

```
In [18]: # Create the bins in which Data will be held
         # Bins are 0, 59.9, 69.9, 79.9, 89.9, 100.
         bins = [0, 59.9, 69.9, 79.9, 89.9, 100]
         # Create the names for the five bins
         group names = ["F", "D", "C", "B", "A"]
In [19]: df["Test Score Summary"] = pd.cut(df["Test Score"], bins, labels=group names, include lowest=True)
Out[19]:
            Class Name | Test Score | Test Score Summary
          0 Oct
                  Cyndy 90
                                  Α
          1 Oct
                  Logan 59
          2 Jan
                        72
                                  C
                  Laci
          3 Jan
                  Elmer
                       88
                                  В
                  Crystle 98
          4 Oct
          5 Jan
                  Emmie 60
                                  D
```

Binning Data

Binning is so powerful because, after creating and applying these bins, we can group the DataFrame according to those values, and then conduct a higher-level analysis.





Activity: Binning Movies

In this activity, you will test your binning skills by creating bins for movies based on their IMDb user vote count.

Suggested Time:

25 minutes

Activity: Binning Movies

Instructions

Read in the CSV file provided, and print it to the screen.

Find the minimum "IMDB user vote count" and maximum "IMDB user vote count".

Using the minimum and maximum "votes" as a reference, create 9 bins to slice the data into.

Create a new column called "IMDB User Votes Group", and fill it with the values collected through your slicing.

Group the DataFrame based on the values within "IMDB User Votes Group".

Find out how many rows fall into each group before finding the averages for "RottenTomatoes", "Metacritic", "Metacritic_User", and "IMDB".





Similar to Excel's number formats, Pandas unlocks the same functionality by using the df.map() method, which allows users to style entire columns at once.

Mapping



To convert values into a typical dollar format, use "\$\{:.2f\}". This places a dollar sign before the value, which has been rounded to two decimal places.

Using "{:,}" will split a number up so that it uses comma notation.

```
# Use Map to format all the columns
file df["INCOME"] = file_df["INCOME"].map("${:,.2f}".format)
file_df["COSTS"] = file_df["COSTS"].map("${:,.2f}".format)
file_df["ERCENT30"] = (file_df["ERCENT30"]*100).map("{:.1f}%".format)
file_df["ERCENT3050"] = (file_df["ERCENT3050"]*100).map("{:.1f}%".format)
file_df["PERCENT50"] = (file_df["PERCENT3050"]*100).map("{:.1f}%".format)
file_df["PERCENT.NODATA"] = (file_df["PERCENT.NODATA"]*100).map("{:.1f}%".format)
file_df["ERCENT_NODATA"] = (file_df["PERCENT_NOBURDEN"]*100).map("{:.1f}%".format)
file_df["TOTAL"] = file_df["TOTAL"].map("{:.}".format)
file_df["TOTAL"] = file_df["TOTAL"].map("{:.}".format)
```

ObjectId	COSTS	INCOME	PERCENT_NOBURDEN	PERCENT_NODATA	PERCENT50	PERCENT3050	PERCENT30	NOBURDEN	NODATA	BURDEN50	N3050
1	\$nan	\$nan	nan%	nan%	nan%	nan%	nan%	0	0	0	0
2	\$nan	\$nan	nan%	nan%	nan%	nan%	nan%	0	0	0	0
3	\$2,473.83	\$146,287.71	83.3%	0.0%	3.4%	13.3%	16.7%	28209	0	1167	4488
4	\$2,508.57	\$147,017.51	69.9%	0.0%	9.1%	21.0%	30.1%	1201	0	157	360
5	\$2,873.53	\$161,444.76	86.4%	0.0%	1.8%	11.8%	13.6%	3199	0	68	436

Mapping



Format mapping only really works once. It will return errors if the same code is run multiple times without restarting the kernel. Therefore, formatting is usually applied near the end of an application.



It will also format NaN values, so it is a good idea to run a .fillna() or .dropna() to avoid formatting null values.



Format mapping also can change the data type of a column, so all calculations should be handled before modifying the formatting.

Mapping has changed the datatypes of the columns to strings $file_df.dtypes$

YEAR	int64
AMI	object
RACE	object
TENURE	object
AGE	object
TOTAL	object
BURDEN30	int64
BURDEN3050	int64
BURDEN50	int64
NODATA	int64
NOBURDEN	int64
PERCENT30	object
PERCENT3050	object
PERCENT50	object
PERCENT_NODATA	object
PERCENT_NOBURD	EN object
INCOME	object
COSTS	object



Activity: Cleaning Crowdfunding

In this activity, you will take a dataset similar to your first homework, clean it up, and format it.

Suggested Time:

30 minutes

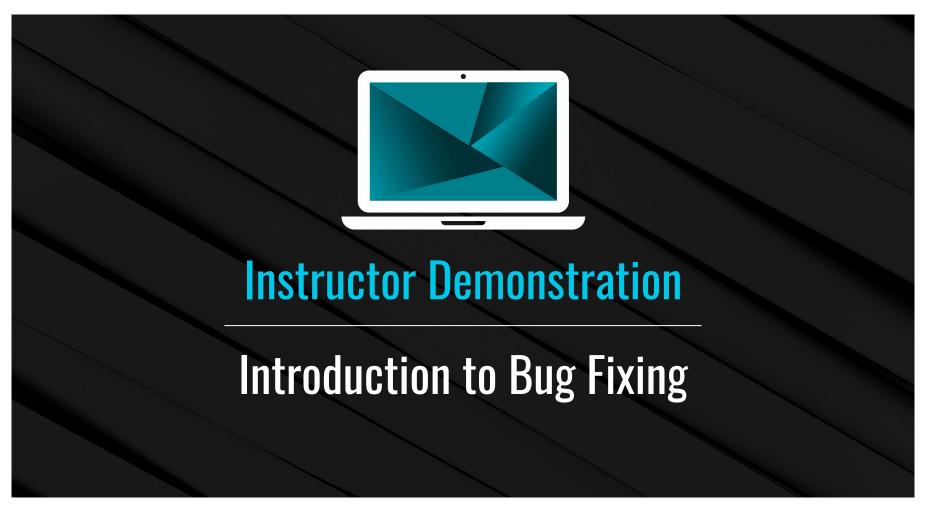
Activity: Cleaning Crowdfunding

The instructions for this activity are contained within the Jupyter Notebook.

```
In [ ]: import pandas as pd
In [ ]: # The path to our CSV file
        # Read our Kickstarter data into pandas
In [ ]: # Get a list of all of our columns for easy reference
In [ ]: # Extract "name", "goal", "pledged", "state", "country", "staff_pick",
        # "backers count", and "spotlight"
In [ ]: # Remove projects that made no money at all
In [ ]: # Collect only those projects that were hosted in the US
        # Create a list of the columns
        # Create a new df for "US" with the columns above.
In [ ]: # Create a new column that finds the average amount pledged to a project
In [ ]: # First convert "average donation", "goal", and "pledged" columns to float
        # Then Format to go to two decimal places, include a dollar sign, and use comma notation
In [ ]: # Calculate the total number of backers for all US projects
In [ ]: # Calculate the average number of backers for all US projects
In [ ]: # Collect only those US campaigns that have been picked as a "Staff Pick"
In [2]: Group by the state of the campaigns and see if staff picks matter (Seems to matter quite a bit)
```







An error is returned as the application attempts to collect the average value within the Percentage column.

The first step: Keep calm.

Bugs happen all the time, and they are rarely the end of the world. In fact, most bugs that you'll encounter are simple enough to solve as long as you know how and where to look for the solution.

The second step: Figure out what the bug is and where it's located.

- Jupyter Notebook makes it easy to find the erroneous block of code because the error will always be returned in the space following the erroneous cell.
- Unfortunately, Pandas is not known for returning clearly understandable error text. In fact, it often returns large blocks of text that can easily confuse those who do not know the library's underlying code. The line following KeyError: is generally a good starting point.
- For example, the text following ValueError: within the current code lets the programmer know that Pandas cannot convert the string values in the Percentage column to floats.

```
ValueError: could not convert string to float:
```

• If the error text isn't entirely clear, it can be helpful to print out variables/columns to the console to uncover the bug's location. For example, printing out the Percentage series lets the programmer know that the data type of this Series is an object and not a float.

The third step: Research the error online to find solutions.

- The key part to this step is coming up with an accurate way to describe the bug, which can take multiple attempts, but it is a skill that will develop over time.
- Google is the programmer's best friend, as typing in a description of the bug will often bring up links to possible solutions. If not, simply alter the search a bit until a solution is discovered.
 - Q Pandas cannot convert string to float



- This particular problem requires the code to drop the percentages within the Percentage column, so the search could be more specific and add that information.
 - Q Pandas cannot convert string to float percentages





Activity: Bug-Fixing Bonanza

In this activity, you will be provided with a Pandas project containing TONS of bugs. Your job is to take the application and fix it up so that it works properly.

Suggested Time:

35 minutes

Activity: Bug-Fixing Bonanza

Instructions

Search the provided Jupyter notebook, and attempt to fix as many bugs as possible. There are a lot, and the bugs get harder to resolve as the code progresses.

Once you have finished bug fixing, perform some additional analysis on the provided dataset. What interesting theories and/or conclusions can you draw about bedbugs in New York City? As long as you challenge yourself, bugs will pop up and you'll get more bug-fixing practice.

Hints

After fixing the bugs in each block of code, make sure to run the cell below for an updated error.

A few new concepts are covered within this Jupyter notebook. The most complex of these concepts is multi-indexing, and it is very likely that this is where many will get held up. Don't worry: Multi-indexing is not in the homework, and it is not required outside of this activity. It is simply an interesting, powerful feature of Pandas.



