4.8.4 Get the Score Averages Per School

You're almost done with getting all the data for the school summary! Now you need to calculate the average math score and the average reading score for each school.

Next, we need to perform a few more calculations for the final data to be added to the school summary DataFrame.

First, let's get the average reading and math scores for each school.



REWIND

Make sure that the averages have an index of school_name so the data can be added to the DataFrame.

We've used the set_index() method on the school_name column in student_data_df to get data from another column, just like how we retrieved the school budget using

```
[school_data_df.set_index(["school_name"])["budget"]).
```

Let's use this procedure to replace budget with math_score. Add the following code to a new cell and run the cell.

```
# Calculate the math scores.
student_school_math = student_data_df.set_index(["school_name"])["math_score
```

The output from the code will look like the following, where we get every occurrence of the high school as the index, and the math grade from each student in that school.

```
student school math = student data df.set index(["school name"])["math score"]
student school math
school name
Huang High School
Huang High School
                      61
Huang High School
                      60
Huang High School
                      58
Huang High School
                     84
Huang High School
                      94
Huang High School
                      80
Huang High School
```

Unfortunately, we can't use the school_data_df DataFrame, as there aren't any columns containing grades. We also can't use the set_index() method

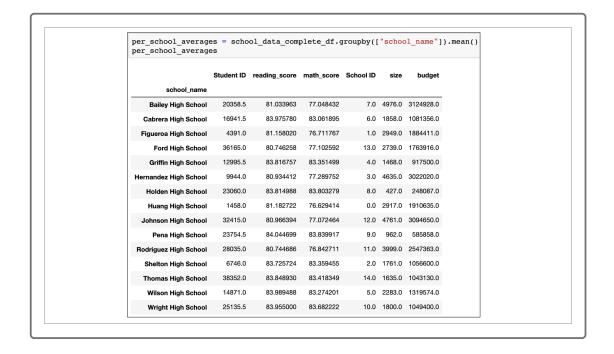
on the school_name column in student_data_df because there are too many occurrences of the school_name column.

Instead, we need to use the Pandas <code>groupby()</code> function. The <code>groupby()</code> function will split an object (like a DataFrame), apply a mathematical operation, and combine the results. This can be used to group large amounts of data when we want to compute mathematical operations on these groups.

The mathematical operation we will apply to the <code>groupby()</code> function is the <code>mean()</code> method. Let's see how this will look when we apply it to <code>school_data_complete_df</code> to get the grade averages for each column. Add the following code to a new cell and run the cell.

```
# Calculate the average math scores.
per_school_averages = school_data_complete_df.groupby(["school_name"]).mean(
per_school_averages
```

The output will be the average of each column in the school_data_complete_df DataFrame:



But we don't want all of this data in the school summary DataFrame, just the reading and math scores. To get the average math score and reading score for each school, we can add the math_score and reading_score columns at the end. Add the following code to a new cell and run the cell.

```
# Calculate the average test scores.
per_school_math = school_data_complete_df.groupby(["school_name"]).mean()["m
per_school_reading = school_data_complete_df.groupby(["school_name"]).mean()
```

When we run this cell and reference each Series, we get a Series like the other Series we have created, where the index is on the school_name, and the column is the average math_score or average reading_score.

The Series with the average math scores for each school will look like this:

```
per_school_math
school name
Bailey High School
                         77.048432
Cabrera High School
                         83.061895
Figueroa High School
                         76.711767
Ford High School
Griffin High School
                         77.102592
                         83.351499
Hernandez High School
                         77.289752
Holden High School
                         83.803279
Huang High School
                         76.629414
Johnson High School
Pena High School
                         77.072464
                         83.839917
Rodriguez High School
                         76.842711
Shelton High School
                         83.359455
Thomas High School
                         83.418349
Wilson High School
Wright High School
                         83.274201
                         83.682222
Name: math_score, dtype: float64
```

The per_school_reading results will have the same format, with the column being the average reading_score.

NOTE

For more information, read the <u>Pandas documentation on the</u> <u>groupby() function</u> <u>(https://pandas.pydata.org/pandas-docs/stable/reference/api/pandas.DataFrame.groupby.html)</u>.

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