

Handling missing data

CLEANING DATA IN POSTGRESQL DATABASES

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Missing data (an example)

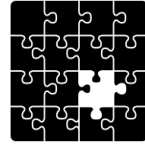
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...
...	SCHNIPPERS	27	Cycle Inspection / Initial Inspection	...
...	ATOMIC WINGS		Administrative Miscellaneous / Re-inspection	...
...	WING LING	44	Cycle Inspection / Initial Inspection	...
...	JUAN VALDEZ CAFE	24	Cycle Inspection / Initial Inspection	...
...	FULTON GRAND	22	Cycle Inspection / Initial Inspection	...
...



Representations for missing values:

- `NULL` (general)
- `' '` - empty string (used for string columns)

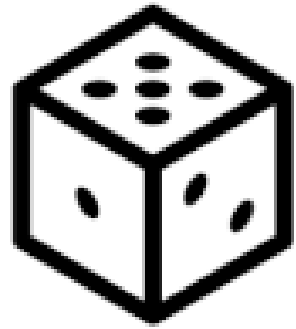
Causes of missing data

What causes missing data?



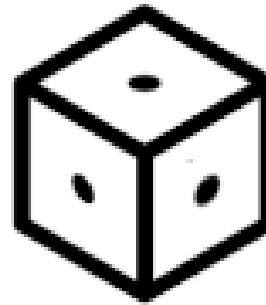
-  human error
-  systematic issues

Types of missing data



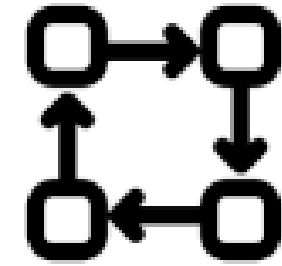
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at Random*

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Random*

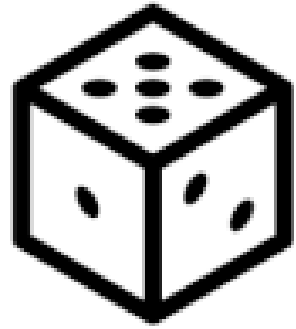
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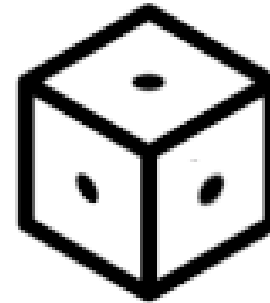
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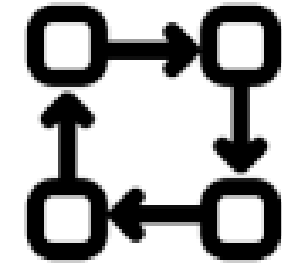
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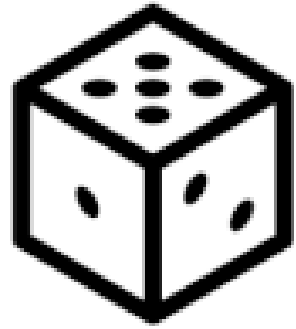


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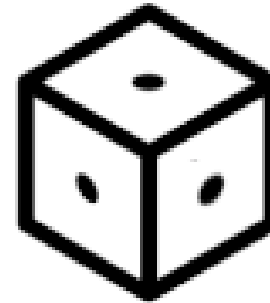
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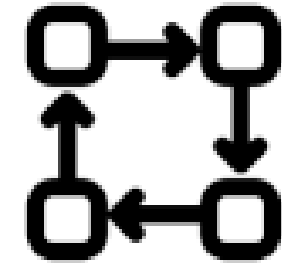
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*Systematic relationship
between missing data and
other observed values*



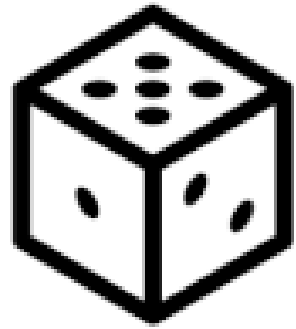
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...

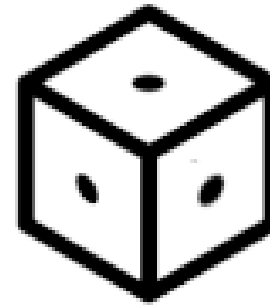
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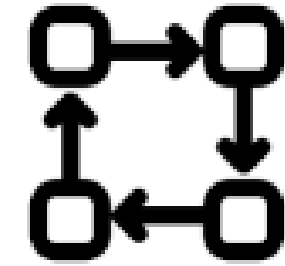
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*Systematic relationship
between missing data and
other observed values*



*Missing Not at
Random*

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*Systematic relationship
between missing data and
unobserved values*

Identifying missing data

```
SELECT
  *
FROM
  restaurant_inspection
WHERE
  score IS NULL;
```

```
SELECT
  COUNT(*)
FROM
  restaurant_inspection
WHERE
  score IS NULL;
```

Identifying missing data

```
SELECT
  inspection_type,
  COUNT(*) as count
FROM
  restaurant_inspection
WHERE
  score IS NULL
GROUP BY
  inspection_type
ORDER BY
  count DESC;
```

inspection_type	count
Administrative Miscellaneous / Initial Inspection	104
Smoke-Free Air Act / Initial Inspection	29
Calorie Posting / Initial Inspection	22
Administrative Miscellaneous / Re-inspection	22
Trans Fat / Initial Inspection	18
Smoke-Free Air Act / Re-inspection	7
Trans Fat / Re-inspection	3

Rectifying missing data

- Best option: locate and add missing values
 - May not be feasible
 - May not be worthwhile
- Provide a value (average, median, etc)
- Exclude records

Replacing missing values with COALESCE()

```
COALESCE(arg1, [arg2, ...])
```

```
SELECT
  name,
  COALESCE(score, -1),
  inspection_type
FROM
  restaurant_inspection;
```

Replacing missing values with COALESCE()

...	name	score	inspection_type	...
...
...	SCHNIPPERS	27	Cycle Inspection / Initial Inspection	...
...	ATOMIC WINGS	-1	Administrative Miscellaneous / Re-inspection	...
...	WING LING	44	Cycle Inspection / Initial Inspection	...
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Duplicate data



- Database should not store duplicate records
- Wastes storage resources
- Potentially distorts analysis

Detecting duplicated data

camis	name	boro	inspection_date	...
...
41659848	LA BRISA DEL CIBAO	Queens	01/30/2018	...
40961447	MESON SEVILLA RESTAURANT	Manhattan	03/19/2019	...
50063071	WA BAR	Manhattan	05/23/2018	...
50034992	EMPANADAS MONUMENTAL	Manhattan	06/21/2019	...
50095871	ALPHONSO'S PIZZERIA & TRATTORIA	Manhattan	01/16/2020	...
...

Detecting duplicated data

```
SELECT
  camis
FROM
  restaurant_inspection
GROUP BY
  camis
HAVING
  COUNT(*) > 1;
```

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Detecting duplicated data

```
SELECT
  camis,
  name,
  boro
FROM
  restaurant_inspection
GROUP BY
  camis, name, boro
HAVING
  COUNT(*) > 1;
```

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```
SELECT
  camis,
  name,
  boro,
  inspection_date
FROM
  restaurant_inspection
GROUP BY
  camis, name, boro, inspection_date
HAVING
  COUNT(*) > 1;
```

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Detecting duplicated data

```
SELECT
  camis,
  name,
  boro,
  inspection_date,
  violation_code
FROM
  restaurant_inspection
GROUP BY
  camis, name, boro, inspection_date, violation_code
HAVING
  COUNT(*) > 1;
```

0

Detecting duplicated data

camis	name	boro	inspection_date	violation_code	...
...
41659848	LA BRISA DEL CIBAO	Queens	01/30/2018	04L	...
40961447	MESON SEVILLA RESTAURANT	Manhattan	03/19/2019	10F	...
41630358	FAY DA BAKERY	Queens	03/07/2019	06E	...
41659848	LA BRISA DEL CIBAO	Queens	01/30/2018	04L	...
...

The ROW_NUMBER() function

ROW_NUMBER() OVER()

```
ROW_NUMBER() OVER(  
  PARTITION BY  
    col1, col2, ...  
  ORDER BY  
    colA, colB, ...  
)
```

camis	name	boro	inspection_date	violation_code	row_number	...
...
41659848	LA BRISA DEL CIBAO	Queens	01/30/2018	04L	1	...
41659848	LA BRISA DEL CIBAO	Queens	01/30/2018	04L	2	...
40961447	MESON SEVILLA RESTAURANT	Manhattan	03/19/2019	10F	1	...
41630358	FAY DA BAKERY	Queens	03/07/2019	06E	1	...
...

Enumerating duplicate rows

```
SELECT
  camis,
  name,
  boro,
  inspection_date,
  violation_code,
  ROW_NUMBER() OVER(
    PARTITION BY
      camis,
      name,
      boro,
      inspection_date,
      violation_code
    ) - 1 AS duplicate
FROM
  restaurant_inspection;
```

camis	name	boro	inspection_date	violation_code	duplicate
...
40961447	MESON SEVILLA RESTAURANT	Manhattan	03/19/2019	10F	0
41630358	FAY DA BAKERY	Queens	03/07/2019	06E	0
41630358	FAY DA BAKERY	Queens	03/07/2019	06E	1
41630358	FAY DA BAKERY	Queens	03/07/2019	06E	2
41659848	LA BRISA DEL CIBAO	Queens	01/30/2018	04L	0
41659848	LA BRISA DEL CIBAO	Queens	01/30/2018	04L	1
...

Enumerating duplicate rows

```
SELECT
  camis, name, boro, inspection_date, violation_code,
  ROW_NUMBER() OVER(
    PARTITION BY camis, name, boro, inspection_date, violation_code
  ) - 1 AS duplicate
FROM
  restaurant_inspection;
```

camis	name	boro	inspection_date	violation_code	duplicate	...
...
40961447	MESON SEVILLA RESTAURANT	Manhattan	03/19/2019	10F	0	...
41630358	FAY DA BAKERY	Queens	03/07/2019	06E	0	...
41630358	FAY DA BAKERY	Queens	03/07/2019	06E	1	...
41630358	FAY DA BAKERY	Queens	03/07/2019	06E	2	...
41659848	LA BRISA DEL CIBAO	Queens	01/30/2018	04L	0	...
41659848	LA BRISA DEL CIBAO	Queens	01/30/2018	04L	1	...
...

Resolving impartial duplicates

Impartial duplicate - column values are duplicated with ambiguity where values differ

camis	name	inspection_date	violation_code	score	...
...
50038736	DON NICO'S	03/29/2018	09B	26	...
50038736	DON NICO'S	03/29/2018	09B	18	...
50033304	ASTORIA PIZZA	12/18/2019	02B	16	...
50081658	IRVING FARMS	12/13/2018	06F	9	...
50033733	ICHIBANTEI	02/12/2019	10B	12	...
...

Resolving impartial duplicates

Compute replacement from aggregate function (`AVERAGE()` , `MIN()` , `MAX()` , etc.)

```
SELECT
  camis,
  name,
  inspection_date,
  violation_code,
  AVG(score) AS score
FROM
  restaurant_inspection
GROUP BY
  camis,
  name,
  inspection_date,
  violation_code
HAVING
  COUNT(*) > 1;
```

Resolving impartial duplicates

camis	name	inspection_date	violation_code	score	...
...
50038736	DON NICO'S	03/29/2018	09B	22.0	...
...

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Invalid data values

camis	name	inspection_date	score	inspection_type	...
...
41659848	LA BRISA DEL CIBAO	01/30/2018	20	Cycle Inspection / Initial Inspection	...
40961447	MESON SEVILLA RESTAURANT	03/19/2019	50	Cycle Inspection / Initial Inspection	...
50063071	WA BAR	05/23/2018	15	Cycle Inspection / Initial Inspection	...
50034992	EMPANADAS MONUMENTAL	06/21/2019	17	Cycle Inspection / Re-inspection	...
50095871	ALPHONSO'S PIZZERIA & TRATTORIA	01/16/2020	10	Cycle Inspection / Initial Inspection	...
...

camis	name	inspection_date	score	inspection_type	...
...
41104041	THE SPARROW TAVERN	09/17/2019	13	Cycle Inspection / Initial Inspection	...
50016937	BURGER KING	09/14/2018	12	Cycle Inspection / Re-inspection	...
50066469	DARBAR'S CHICKEN & RIBS	08/07/2017	11	Pre-permit (Operational) / Reopening Inspection	...
41195691	F & J PINE RESTAURANT	05/02/2019	26	Cycle Inspection / Initial Inspection	...
50015706	EL RINCONCITO DE LOS SABORES	12/18/2019	A	Cycle Inspection / Initial Inspection	...
...

Handling invalid data with pattern matching

```
SELECT
  camis,
  name,
  inspection_date,
  score
FROM
  restaurant_inspection
WHERE
  score NOT SIMILAR TO '\d+';
```

Handling invalid data with pattern matching

- Query only restricts non-digit characters
- No restriction on length of value

```
SELECT
  camis,
  name,
  inspection_date,
  score
FROM
  restaurant_inspection
WHERE
  score NOT SIMILAR TO '\d{1}' AND
  score NOT SIMILAR TO '\d{2}' AND
  score NOT SIMILAR TO '\d{3}';
```


Using type constraints

- Column contains integer values
- Column should not allow non-integers

```
ALTER TABLE restaurant_inspection  
ALTER COLUMN score TYPE SMALLINT USING score::smallint;
```

- `SMALLINT` : values from -32,768 to 32,767
- `USING` clause specifies conversion of previous values

Review: Basics of Regular Expressions

Metacharacter	Usage	Example RE	Example Match
<code>\d</code>	matches a digit (0-9)	<code>\d\d\d</code>	'345'
<code>?</code>	matches 0 or 1 of previous character	<code>x\d?</code>	'x5'
<code>+</code>	matches one or more of previous character	<code>\d+</code>	'10'
<code>*</code>	matches any character 0 or more times	<code>\d*</code>	'3081'
<code>[]</code>	matches any character inside of the brackets	<code>[a-z]</code>	'f'

Type constraints enable range constraints

```
ALTER TABLE restaurant_inspection
ALTER COLUMN score TYPE SMALLINT USING score::smallint;

SELECT
  camis,
  name,
  inspection_date,
  score
FROM
  restaurant_inspection
WHERE
  score < 0;
```

Type constraints enable range constraints

```
ALTER TABLE restaurant_inspection
ALTER COLUMN score TYPE SMALLINT USING score::smallint;
```

```
SELECT
  camis,
  name,
  inspection_date,
  score
FROM
  restaurant_inspection
WHERE
  score <= -1;
```

Type constraints enable range constraints

```
ALTER TABLE restaurant_inspection  
ALTER COLUMN score TYPE SMALLINT USING score::smallint;
```

```
SELECT  
  camis,  
  name,  
  inspection_date,  
  score  
FROM  
  restaurant_inspection  
WHERE  
  score < 0 OR  
  score > 100;
```

Type constraints enable range constraints

```
ALTER TABLE restaurant_inspection  
ALTER COLUMN score TYPE SMALLINT USING score::smallint;
```

```
SELECT  
  camis,  
  name,  
  inspection_date,  
  score  
FROM  
  restaurant_inspection  
WHERE  
  score < 0 OR  
  score >= 101;
```

The BETWEEN operator

```
SELECT
  camis, name, inspection_date, score
FROM
  restaurant_inspection
WHERE
  score NOT BETWEEN 0 AND 100;
```

camis	name	inspection_date	score
...
41702543	TROPICAL GRILL	05/14/2018	109
50074058	PAD THAI	08/01/2018	101
50085349	DON CHILE MEXICAN GRILL	12/04/2018	124
50092932	ENERGY JUICE BAR	06/24/2019	102
41702543	TROPICAL GRILL	05/14/2018	109
50034653	KAI FAN ASIAN CUISINE	12/06/2019	-1
...

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Inconsistent data

- Certain restaurant inspection rules
- `score` corresponds to number of violations 

```
camis | name | score | ...  
-----+-----+-----+-----  
... | ... | ... | ...  
41659848 | LA BRISA DEL CIBAO | 20 | ...  
40961447 | MESON SEVILLA RESTAURANT | 50 | ...  
50063071 | WA BAR | 15 | ...  
... | ... | ... | ...
```

- `A` (0 to 13), `B` (14 to 27), `C` (28+)
- Scenarios for grades:
 - `A` on initial inspection
 - Re-inspection with `A` , `B` , or `C`

¹ <https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/doh/downloads/pdf/rii/restaurant-grading-faq.pdf>

Checking rules with SQL

- Interdependent can introduce inconsistency
- Rules can be encoded in SQL
- **A** given for score from 0 to 13

```
SELECT
    camis,
    grade,
    grade_date,
    score,
    inspection_type
FROM
    restaurant_inspection
WHERE
    grade = 'A' AND
    score NOT BETWEEN 0 AND 13;
```

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Checking rules with SQL

- **B** given for score from 14 to 27

```
SELECT
  camis,
  grade,
  grade_date,
  score,
  inspection_type
FROM
  restaurant_inspection
WHERE
  grade = 'B' AND
  score NOT BETWEEN 14 AND 27;
```

camis	grade	grade_date	score	inspection_type
50034653	B	12/06/2019	-1	Cycle Inspection / Re-inspection

Checking rules with SQL

SELECT

```
camis, grade, grade_date, score, inspection_type FROM
restaurant_inspection
```

WHERE

```
(grade = 'A' OR grade = 'B' OR grade = 'C') AND
inspection_type LIKE '%Reopening%';
```

camis	grade	grade_date	score	inspection_type	...
...
50005784	C	05/29/2019	14	Cycle Inspection / Reopening Inspection	...
50091190	C	07/12/2019	7	Pre-permit (Operational) / Reopening Inspection	...
40395023	C	09/13/2019	8	Cycle Inspection / Reopening Inspection	...
50037770	C	10/26/2018	11	Cycle Inspection / Reopening Inspection	...
50036406	C	07/10/2018	20	Cycle Inspection / Reopening Inspection	...
...

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Data cleaning insights

- Diversity of approaches
- Careful thought required
- Domain knowledge is key
 - Which values are valid
 - Reasons for duplication
 - Appropriate fill-in values

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