



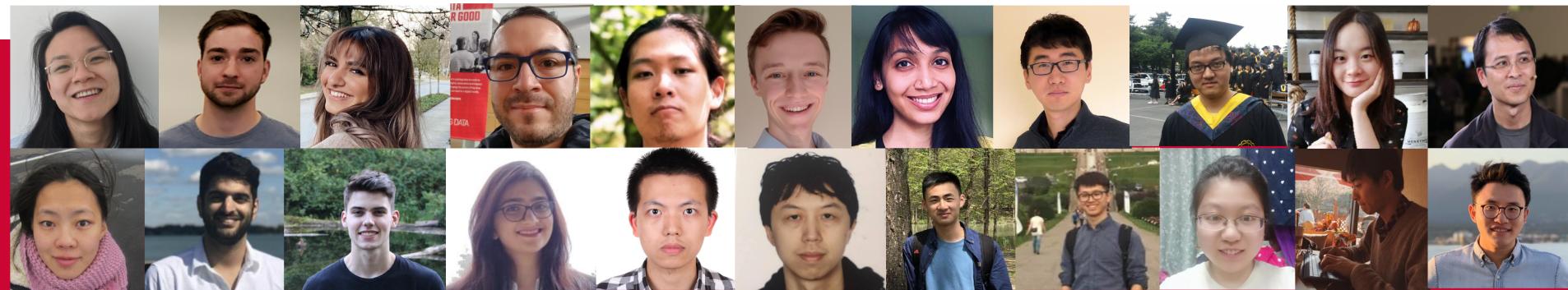
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DataPrep - The easiest way to prepare data in Python

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Talk Outline

1. DataPrep Overview

2. Dive into DataPrep

- DataPrep.EDA
- DataPrep.Connector

3. Future Direction

Data Preparation Is Still the Bottleneck!!!

2014

The New York Times

For Big-Data Scientists, ‘Janitor Work’ Is Key Hurdle to Insights

Yet far too much handcrafted work — what data scientists call “data wrangling,” “data munging” and “data janitor work” — is still required. Data scientists, according to interviews and expert estimates, spend from 50 percent to 80 percent of their time mired in this more mundane labor of collecting and preparing unruly digital data, before it can be explored for useful nuggets.

<https://www.nytimes.com/2014/08/18/technology/for-big-data-scientists-hurdle-to-insights-is-janitor-work.html>

2020



The State of Data Science 2020

Moving from hype toward maturity

We were disappointed, if not surprised, to see that data wrangling still takes the lion's share of time in a typical data professional's day. Our respondents reported that almost half of their time is spent on the combined tasks of data loading and cleansing. Data

<https://www.anaconda.com/state-of-data-science-2020>

Why Is Data Preparation Hard?



Collection



Cleaning



Integration



Analysis

How much time is spent on preparation?

1. Too many small problems (e.g., standardize date, dedup address, etc)
2. Humans have different levels of expertise (in data science and programming)
3. Domain specific (finance, social science, healthcare, economics, etc.)

Human-in-the-loop Data Preparation

Three Directions

- Spreadsheet GUI
- Workflow GUI
- Notebook GUI

Spreadsheet GUI

CUSTOMER ANALYSIS > customer < Random

Run Job

Preview

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19 Columns 20,000 Rows 8 Data Types

Show only affected Rows

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Workflow GUI

Alteryx

The screenshot displays the Alteryx Workflow Designer interface. On the left, a sidebar provides a profile for the file "Alteryx_Excel_Users.aymd", showing 1,735 records, 14 fields, and 121 KB. It includes a histogram for the "ZIP" field and a "Data Quality" section with metrics for NOT OK, NULL, EMPTY, and OK counts. Below this is a detailed view of the workflow:

- Input Data:** Two sources are connected to binocular icons: "Customers CRM" (green book icon) and "Transactions AWS" (green book icon).
- Data Preparation:** The "Customers CRM" path leads to a "Crosstab" (red document icon), which then connects to a "Filter" (blue circle icon). The "Transactions AWS" path leads to a "Formula / Calculate Fields" (blue flask icon), which then connects to a "Summarize / Pivot Table" (red sigma icon).
- Data Blend:** Both the "Filter" and "Summarize / Pivot Table" components connect to a "Join" (purple network icon) node.
- Final Output:** The "Join" node connects to a "VLOOKUP" (blue square icon) component, which then connects to a final binocular icon.
- Results:** A "Browse" window at the bottom shows the resulting dataset with 14 fields and 1,735 records.

Notebook GUI

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[File, New, Open, Save, Save All, Run, Cell, Cell Block, Code, Voila]

```
In [1]: import qgrid
import numpy as np
import pandas as pd

df = pd.DataFrame(np.random.rand(3,5))
qg = qgrid.show_grid(df)
qg
```

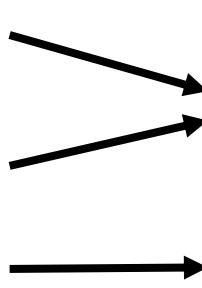
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2	0.77328	0.2921	0.37934	0.87462	0.93311

Which Direction To Go?

“ Data Prep Market was valued at USD 3.29 Billion in 2019 and is projected to reach **USD 18.11 Billion by 2027**, growing at a **CAGR of 25.64%** from 2020 to 2027 ”

Source: <https://www.verifiedmarketresearch.com/product/data-prep-market/>

Three Directions

- Spreadsheet GUI
 - Workflow GUI
 - Notebook GUI
- 
- Targeted at **non-programmers**
- Targeted at **data scientists**

Our Vision

Machine Learning Made Easy



Deep Learning Made Easy



Big Data Made Easy



Visualization Made Easy



Data Preparation Made Easy



DataPrep Components

May 2019 - Now	DataPrep.EDA	Simplify Exploratory Data Analysis
Nov 2019 - Now	DataPrep.Connector	Simplify Web Data Collection
Sept 2020 - Now	DataPrep.Clean	Simplify Data Cleaning
Planning	DataPrep.Feature	Simplify Feature Engineering
Planning	DataPrep.Integrate	Simplify Data Integration

User Feedback

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Posted by u/jnwang 7 days ago

1.7k



Understand your data with a few lines of code in seconds using DataPrep.eda



reddit

I Made This

samdof 4 points · 7 days ago

I'll look into it and get back to you. By the way what you guys are doing is amazing and have the potential to be a game-changer if it cut some time out of data prep.

apivan191 3 points · 5 months ago

This will save me so much time even just exploring my data, not to mention coding all of it up. You've done good in the world

dj_ski_mask 2 points · 6 months ago

Would love a **pyspark/koalas** module

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Task-Centric Exploratory Data Analysis

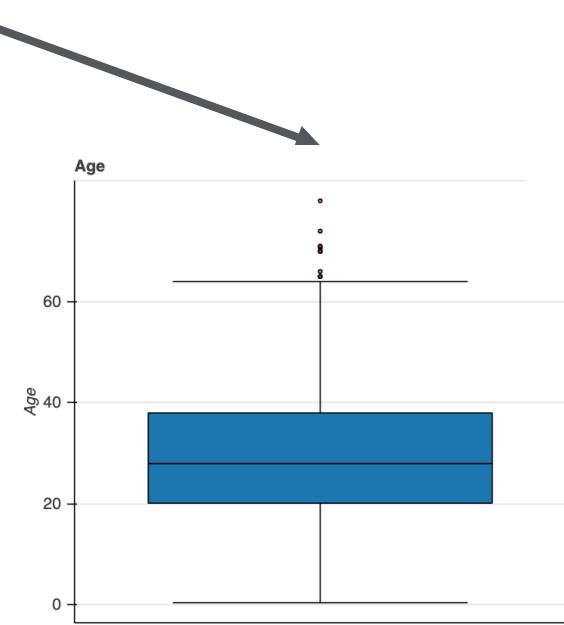
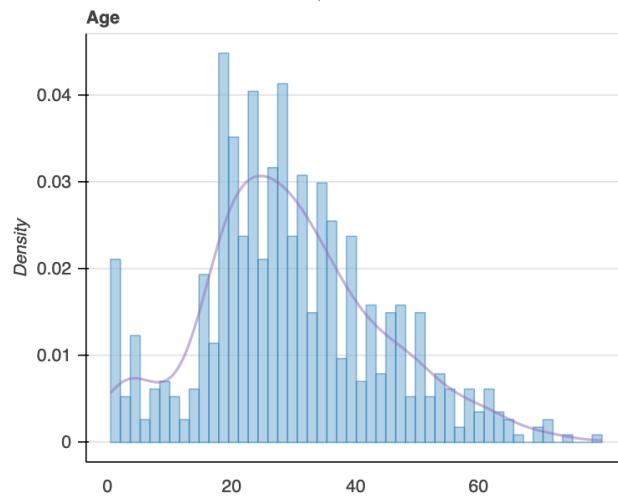
Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA)

Understand data and discover insights
via data visualization, data summarization, etc.



Minimum	0.42
5-th Percentile	4
Q1	20.125
Median	28
Q3	38
95-th Percentile	56
Maximum	80
Range	79.58
IQR	17.875

Understand “Age” column

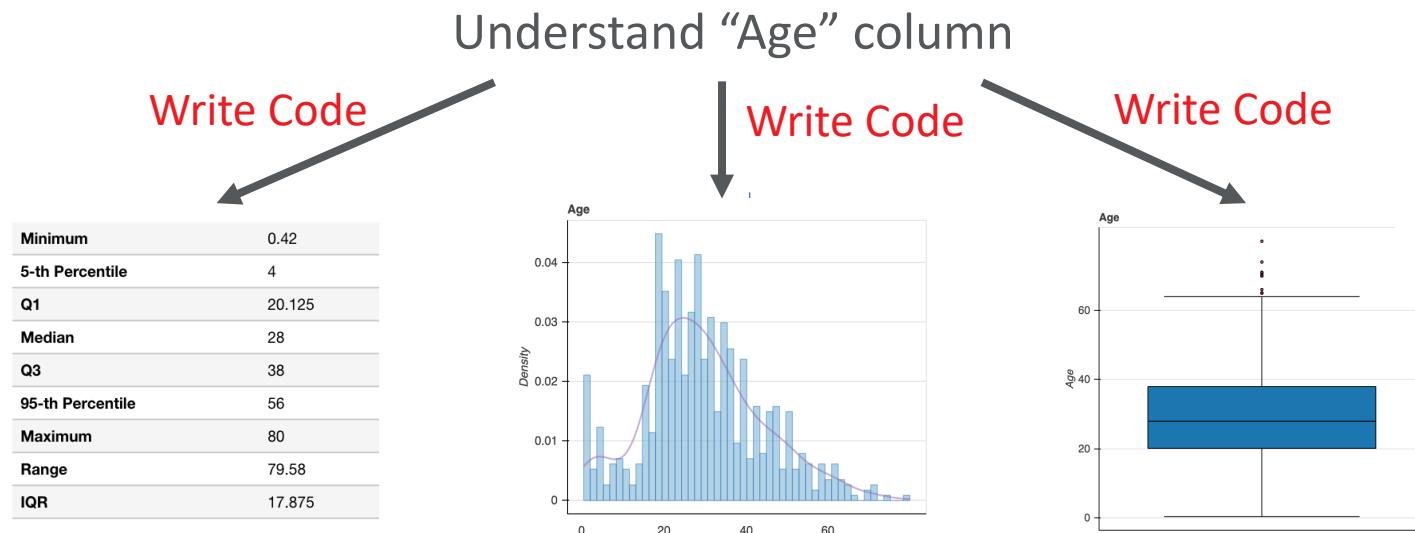


Current EDA Solutions in Python

Solution 1: Pandas + Matplotlib

⌚ Hard to Use

- Beginner: Need to know how to write plotting code
- Expert: Need to write lengthy and repetitive code



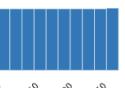
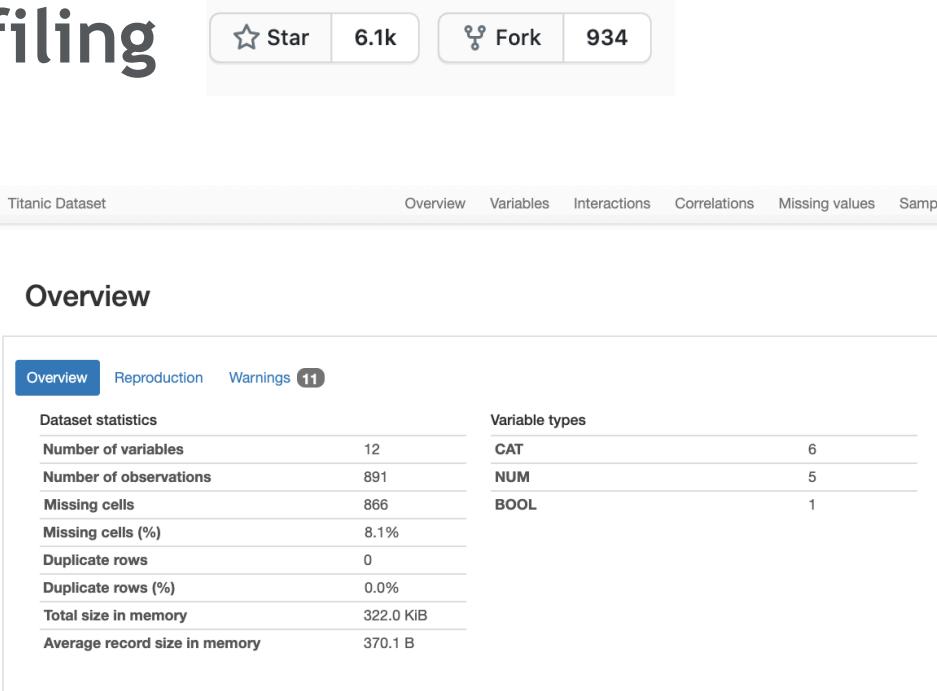
Current EDA Solutions in Python

Solution 2: Pandas-profiling

⌚ Slow

⌚ Hard to Customize

```
profile = ProfileReport(df, title="Pandas Profiling Report")
```



DataPrep.EDA Design Goals

EDA Solutions	Easy to Use	Interactive Speed	Easy to Customize
1. Pandas + Matplotlib			
2. Pandas-profiling			
3. DataPrep.EDA			

Key Idea

Task-Centric API Design

- Declarative
- Support both coarse-grained and fine-grained EDA tasks

Example

- plot(df): “I want to see an overview of the dataset”
- plot_missing(df): “I want to understand the missing values of the dataset”
- plot(df, x): “I want to understand the column x”
- plot(df, x, y): “I want to understand the relationship between x and y”
- ...

DataPrep.EDA (Demo)

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jupyter DataPrep.EDA Demo Last Checkpoint: a minute ago (unsaved changes) Trusted Python 3

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Code

```
In [2]: from dataprep.eda import plot, plot_missing, plot_correlation, create_report
```

```
In [ ]: import pandas as pd
```

```
In [ ]: df = pd.read_csv("titanic.csv")
```

I want an overview of the dataset

```
In [ ]: plot(df)
```

Understand Missing Value

```
In [ ]: plot_missing(df)
```

Understand Correlation

```
In [ ]: plot_correlation(df)
```

Understand Numerical Column

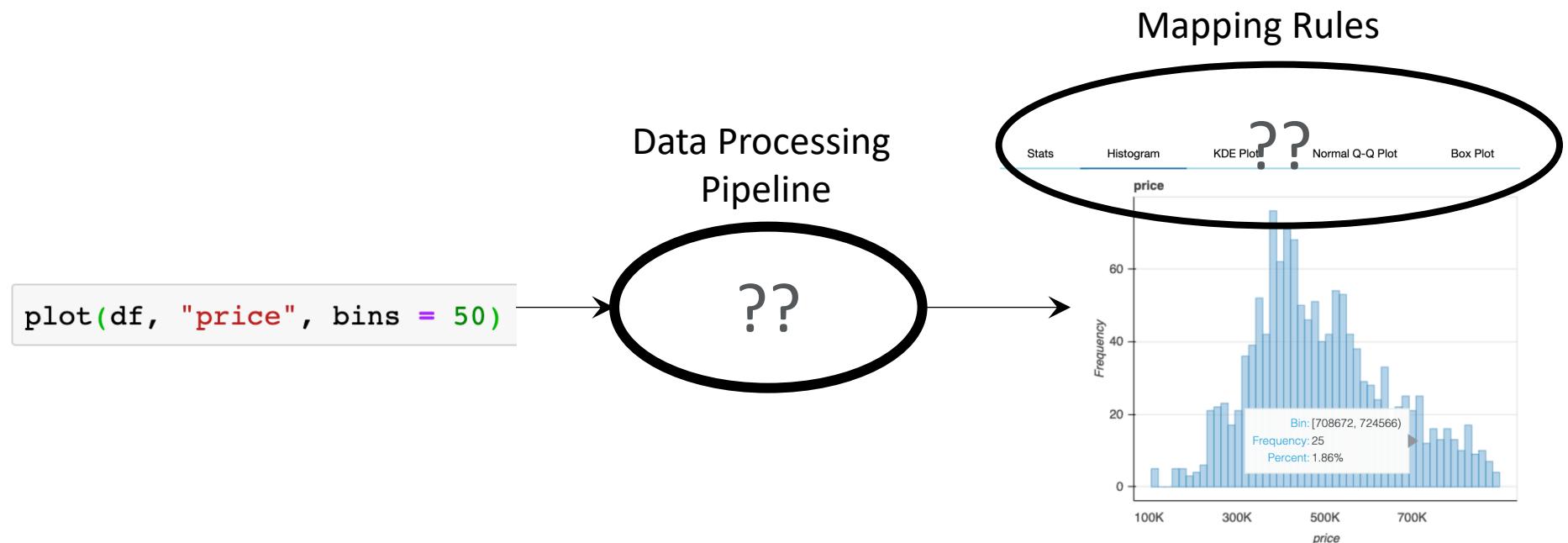
```
In [ ]: plot(df, "Age")
```

Understand Text Column

```
In [ ]: plot(df, "Name")
```

Understand Column Relationship

Under the Hood



Mapping Rules

N = Numerical, C = Categorical

Task-Centric API Design	Corresponding Stats/Plots
<code>plot(df)</code>	Dataset statistics, histogram or bar chart for each column
<code>plot(df, col₁)</code>	(1) $\text{col}_1 = \text{N} \rightarrow$ Column statistics, histogram, kde plot, qq-normal plot, box plot (2) $\text{col}_1 = \text{C} \rightarrow$ Column statistics, bar chart, pie chart, word cloud, word frequencies
<code>plot(df, col₁, col₂)</code>	Add violin plots #178
<code>plot_correlation(df)</code>	 stardust3dd opened this issue on Jun 7, 2020 · 2 comments
<code>plot_correlation(df, col₁)</code>	 stardust3dd commented on Jun 7, 2020 ... Is it possible to add violin plots to the <code>plot</code> function? Since KDE plots & box plots are already provided, it would be immensely beneficial to have them together
<code>plot_missing(df)</code>	
<code>plot_missing(df, col₁)</code>	
<code>plot_missing(df, col₁, col₂)</code>	Histogram, pdf, cdf, and box plot that show the impact of the missing values from col_1 on col_2
all other	

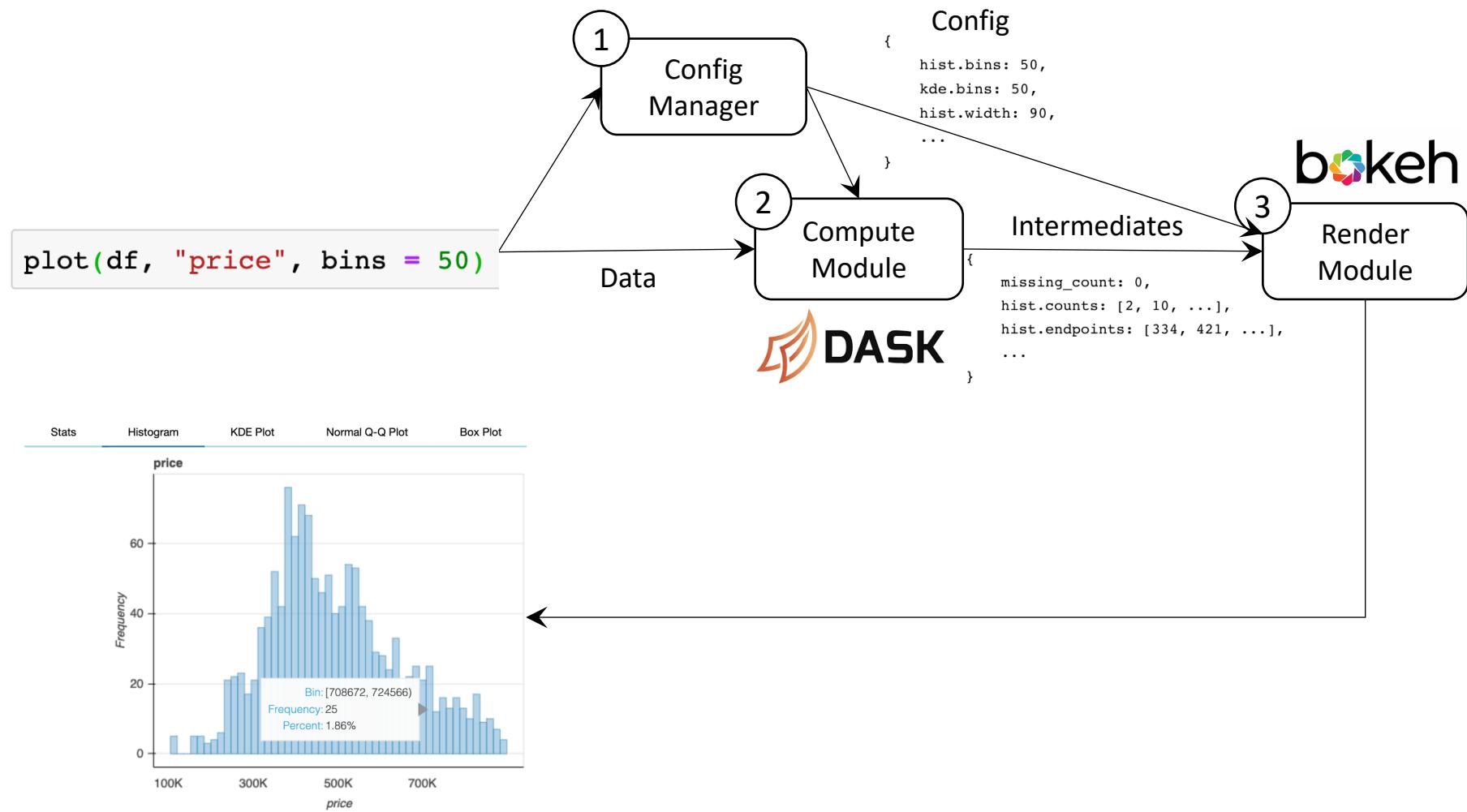
[1] <https://www.data-to-viz.com/>

[2] Exploratory data analysis with R

[3] Missingno: a missing data visualization suite

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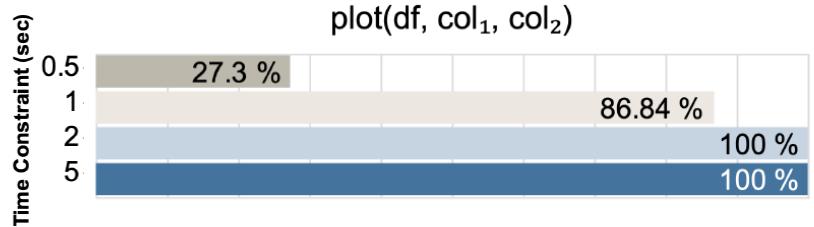
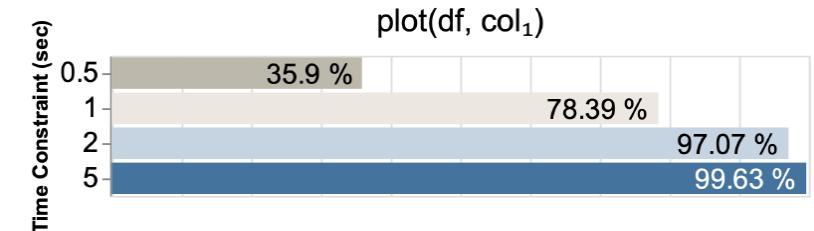
Data Processing Pipeline



Interactive Speed

Ubuntu 16.04 Linux server with 64 GB memory and 8 Intel E7-4830 cores

Dataset	Size	#Rows	#Cols (N/C)
heart	11KB	303	14 (14/0)
diabetes	23KB	768	9 (9/0)
automobile	26KB	205	26 (10/16)
titanic	64KB	891	12 (7/5)
women	500KB	8553	10 (5/5)
credit	2.7MB	30K	25 (25/0)
solar	2.8MB	33K	11 (7/4)
suicide	2.8MB	28K	12 (6/6)
diamonds	3MB	54K	11 (8/3)
chess	7.3MB	20K	16 (6/10)
adult	5.7MB	49K	15 (6/9)
basketball	9.2MB	53K	31 (21/10)
conflicts	13MB	34K	25 (10/15)
rain	13.5MB	142K	24 (17/7)
hotel	16MB	119K	32 (20/12)



Efficiency Comparison

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DataPrep.EDA vs Pandas-Profilin

Dataset	Size	#Rows	#Cols (N/C)	PP	EDA ^x	Faster
heart	11KB	303	14 (14/0)	17.7s	2.0s	8.6×
diabetes	23KB	768	9 (9/0)	28.3s	1.6s	17.7×
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basketball	9.2MB	53K	31 (21/10)	126.2s	9.9s	12.7×
conflicts	13MB	34K	25 (10/15)	34.9s	8.6s	4×
rain	13.5MB	142K	24 (17/7)	100.1s	11.6s	8.6×
hotel	16MB	119K	32 (20/12)	83.2s	13s	6.4×

Pandas-Profilin

DataPrep.EDA

Easy to Customize (Available Soon)

How to Guide

```
In [*]: 1 plot(df, "age")
```

```
In [ ]: 1
```

DataPrep.EDA Takeaways

Innovation

The **first** task-centric EDA system in Python

Achieve three design goals

Easy to use

Interactive speed

Easy to customize

DataPrep.Connector

A Unified API Wrapper
to Simplify Web Data Collection

Data Collection Through Restful APIs



Social Data



Business Data



Event Data



Publication Data

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A collective list of free APIs for use in software and web development.

[ultimatecourses.com](#)

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Restful API Example

Request

GET https://api.yelp.com/v3/businesses/search

Parameters

These parameters should be in the query string.

Name	Type	Description
term	string	Optional. Search term, for example "food" or "res business names, such as "Starbucks". If term is default to searching across businesses from a sn
location	string	Required if either latitude or longitude is not prov geographic area to be used when searching for b City", "NYC", "350 5th Ave, New York, NY 10118 response may not be strictly within the specified
latitude	decimal	Required if location is not provided. Latitude of t nearby.
longitude	decimal	Required if location is not provided. Longitude of t nearby.
radius	int	Optional. A suggested search radius in meters. T to the search. The actual search radius may be lc dense urban areas, and higher in regions of less l value is too large, a AREA_TOO_LARGE error ma 40000 meters (about 25 miles).

Response Body

```
{
  "total": 8228,
  "businesses": [
    {
      "rating": 4,
      "price": "$",
      "phone": "+14152520800",
      "id": "E8RJkjfdcwgtyoPMjQ_0lg",
      "alias": "four-barrel-coffee-san-francisco",
      "is_closed": false,
      "categories": [
        {
          "alias": "coffee",
          "title": "Coffee & Tea"
        }
      ],
      "review_count": 1738,
      "name": "Four Barrel Coffee",
      "url": "https://www.yelp.com/biz/four-barrel-coffee-san-francisco",
      "coordinates": {
        "latitude": 37.7670169511878,
        "longitude": -122.42184275
      },
      "image_url": "http://s3-media2.fl.yelpcdn.com/bphoto/MmgtASP3l_t4tPCL1iAsCg/",
      "location": {
        "city": "San Francisco",
        "country": "US",
        "address2": "",
        "address3": "",
        "state": "CA",
        "address1": "375 Valencia St",
        "zip_code": "94103"
      },
      "distance": 1604.23,
      "transactions": ["pickup", "delivery"]
    },
    // ...
  ],
  "region": {
    "center": {
      "latitude": 37.767413217936834,
      "longitude": -122.42820739746094
    }
  }
}
```

Restful API Wrapper

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Wrap API calls into Easy-to-Use Python Functions

[bear / python-twitter](#)

A Python wrapper around the Twitter API.

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 3k stars  922 forks

[plamere / spotipy](#)

A light weight Python library for the Spotify Web API

 spotipy.readthedocs.org/

 MIT License

 2.6k stars  568 forks

[Yelp / yelp-fusion](#)

Yelp Fusion API

 yelp.com/developers

 MIT License

 331 stars  305 forks

[srcecde / python-youtube-api](#)

A basic Python YouTube v3 API to fetch data from YouTube Key without OAuth

 GPL-3.0 License

 73 stars  35 forks

[scholrly / dblp-python](#)

A simple Python wrapper around search and author and publication

 61 stars  34 forks



Build a New API Wrapper is **Tedious!**

HTTP Connection	→ Connect to the website server
Authorization	→ Handle authorization schemes
Pagination	→ Request data from multiple pages
Concurrency	→ Retrieve data in parallel with less time
Result Parsing	→ Convert Json string to Pandas Dataframe
.....

If we don't unify API wrappers, then ...

Yelp

HTTP Connection
Authorization
Pagination
Concurrency
Result Parsing
.....

Spotify

HTTP Connection
Authorization
Pagination
Concurrency
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.....

Youtube

HTTP Connection
Authorization
Pagination
Concurrency
Result Parsing
.....

Twitter

HTTP Connection
Authorization
Pagination
Concurrency
Result Parsing
.....

Wiki

HTTP Connection
Authorization
Pagination
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Result Parsing
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Pinterest

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NY Times

HTTP Connection
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Walmart

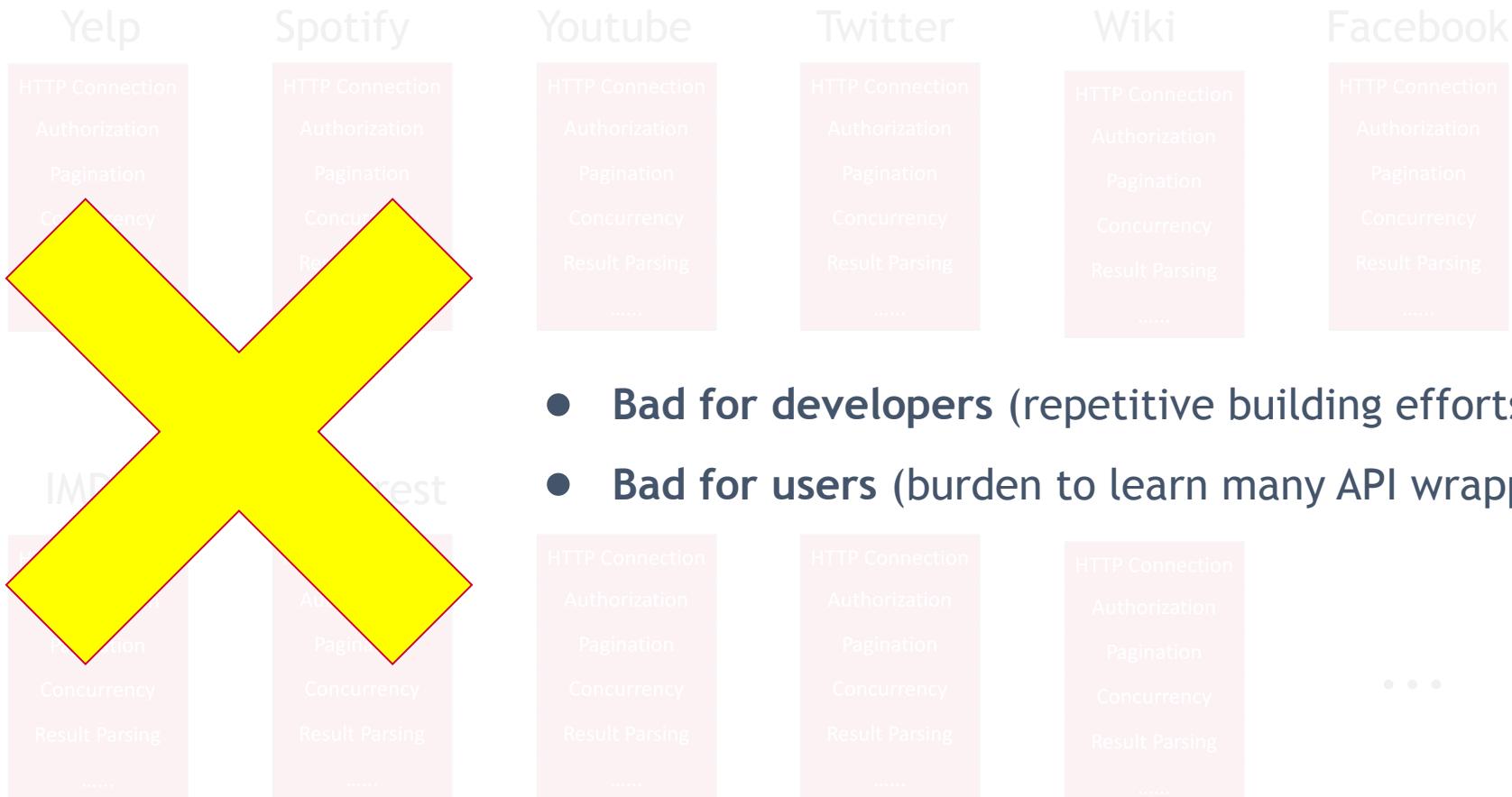
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Reddit

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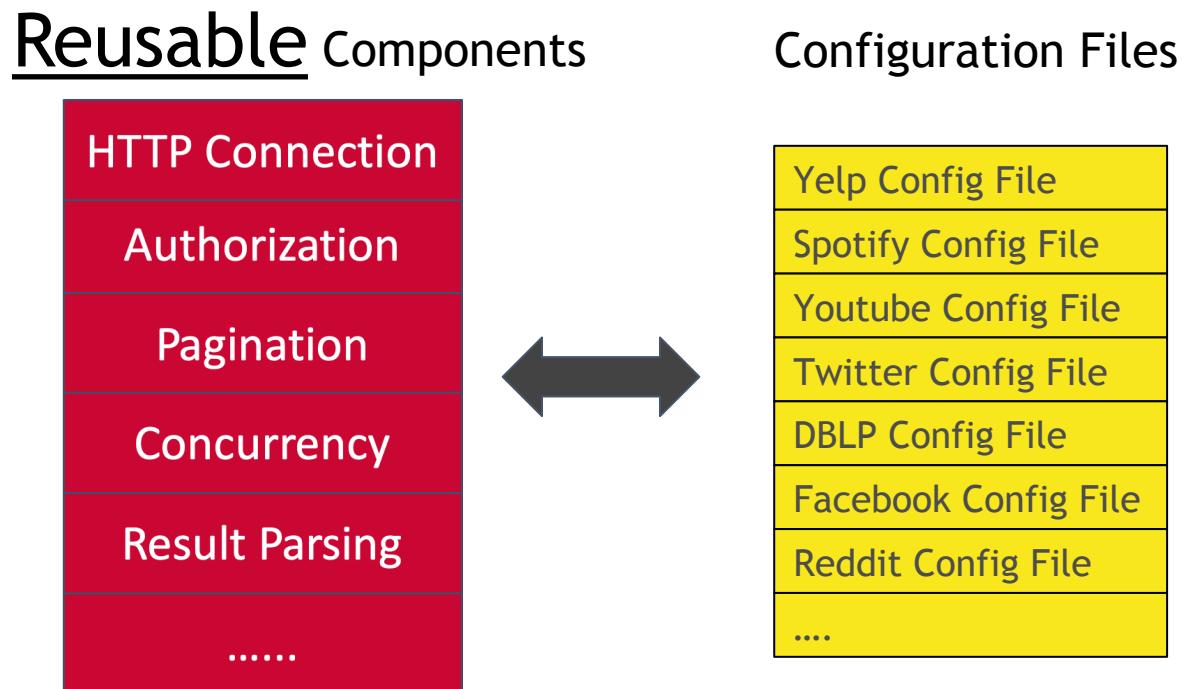
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If we don't unify API wrappers, then ...



DataPrep.Connector

A Unified API Wrapper



Good for developers (**No** repetitive building efforts)

The Unified API

1. Connect

```
conn = connect(website_name, _auth, _concurrency)
```

2. Understand (Optional)

```
conn.table_names  
conn.show_schema(table_name)
```

3. Query

```
conn.query(table_name, query_parameter_list, _count)
```

Good for users (**No** burden to learn many API wrappers)

DataPrep.Connector (Demo)

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Trusted



```
In [ ]: from dataprep.connector import Connector
```

A Unified API Design

DBLP

```
In [ ]: conn_dblp = Connector("dblp")  
In [ ]: conn_dblp.table_names  
In [ ]: conn_dblp.show_schema("publication")  
In [ ]: df = await conn_dblp.query("publication", q = "machine learning")  
In [ ]: df.head(5)
```

Youtube

```
In [ ]: conn_youtube = Connector('youtube', _auth={"access_token":youtube_auth_token})  
In [ ]: conn_youtube.table_names  
In [ ]: conn_youtube.show_schema("videos")  
In [ ]: df = await conn_youtube.query("videos", q = "data science", part = "snippet", type = "videos")
```

DataPrep.Connector Takeaways

Innovation

The **first** unified API Wrapper in Python

Good For Developers

Speed up wrapper development process

Good For Users

Speed up data collection from Web APIs

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Future Direction

DataPrep.EDA

- Make plots look **attractive**
- Understand **multiple** dataframes (plot_diff, plot_db, ...)

DataPrep.Connector

- Speed up **read_sql()** with arrow and parallel connection

DataPrep.Clean

- **Goal:** Implement 100+ **clean_{type}(df, x)** functions
- **Example:** clean_email, clean_date, clean_phone, clean_country, etc.
- **Application:** Data Validation, Data Standardization, Semantic Type Detection

```

1 import pandas as pd
2 from dataprep.clean import clean_country
3 df = pd.DataFrame({"country": ["USA", "country: Canada", "France",
4 "233", "tr"]})
5 clean_country(df, "country")

```

	country	country_clean
0	USA	United States
1	country: Canada	Canada
2	France	France
3	233	Estonia
4	tr	Turkey



The easiest way to prepare data in Python

```
pip install -U dataprep
```

Thank you!

<http://dataprep.ai>

