

[Home](#)[PUBLIC](#)[Stack Overflow](#)[Tags](#)[Users](#)[Jobs](#)[Teams](#)

Q&A for work

[Learn More](#)

More jobs
means more choice

[Get started](#)

Fuzzy search for keyword in a string with a dataframe

[Ask Question](#)

I have a string with keywords in it.

Example: "iphone71 is awesome"

I have a dataframe with the product varieties present.

	Variation1	Variation2
0	IPHONE	IPHONE 6S
1	IPHONE X	IPHONE 71
2	IPHONE 7	IPHONE 6

I want to identify if the product present in the string given is present in the dataframe or not. If present I need to provide the name out.

My attempt:

Since the product in the string is **iphone71**, with no space in between and is not in line with what is present in the dataframe, I removed the spaces in the string.

```
df=pd.DataFrame({"Variation1":("iphone","iphone x","iphone 7"),"Variation2":
("iphone7","iphone 71","iphone 6")})
df=df.apply(lambda x: x.astype(str).str.upper())

question="iphone71 is awesome"
question=question.upper()
question=question.replace(" ","")
question
```

'IPHONE71ISAVAILABLE'

I thought of checking the **iphone71 pattern** in stripped dataframe and if match is found provide the unstripped value out from dataframe

```
def remove_whitespace(x):
    try:
        x = "".join(x.split())

    except:
        pass
    return x
```

```
df.applymap(remove_whitespace)
```

	Variation1	Variation2
0	IPHONE	IPHONE6S
1	IPHONEX	IPHONE71
2	IPHONE7	IPHONE6

```
# fuzz is used to compare TWO strings
from fuzzywuzzy import fuzz
# process is used to compare a string to MULTIPLE other strings
from fuzzywuzzy import process
fuzz.partial_ratio("IPHONE7", "IPHONE71ISAVAILABLE")
100
```

I was thinking to use partial_ratio from fuzzywuzzy package to get IPHONE 71 as output, but even IPHONE 7 matches that condition.

How to accomplish this?

Expected output:

IPHONE 71

python string dataframe fuzzywuzzy

edited yesterday

asked yesterday

Sam
74 7

1 Answer

You can use `fuzz.token_sort_ratio` instead.

```
from fuzzywuzzy import fuzz
p = pd.DataFrame({'Variation1': ["IPHONE", "IPHONE X", "IPHONE 7"],
                  'Variation2': ["IPHONE 6S", "IPHONE 71", "IPHONE 6"]})
products = p['Variation1'].tolist() + p['Variation2'].tolist()
s = "Iphone 71 is Awesome"
matches = [(i, fuzz.token_sort_ratio(s, i)) for i in products]
max(matches, key=lambda item: item[1])[0]
```

Output: 'IPHONE 71'

edited yesterday

answered yesterday

CSMaverick
487 10 26

This logic only works if my string has keyword of exact same format which is present in dataframe. It fails if `s="iphone71 is awesome"` instead of giving `iphone 71` it will give other result – Sam yesterday

▲ sorry it should work for the any strings like: "IPHONE 71 string", "IPHONE 71"
 ▼ , "IPHONE 7"" – CSMaverick yesterday

Yes, it will work only if the keyword in string is SAME as the value of cells in dataframe – Sam yesterday

▲ yeah in that case you need to set the matching limit percentage more than
 ▼ 90% in `fuzz.token_sort_ratio(s, i) >= 90`. it should work ! – CSMaverick yesterday

Answer Your Question