Cleaning and Transforming Data with pandas and dplyr Libraries

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1 Harnessing the Power of pandas and dplyr Packages

In this tutorial, we will demonstrate how to clean and transform a customer call dataset with pandas and dplyr. We obtained this dataset from Alex the Analyst's GitHub. And his tutorial video is located here!

In this revised version of the tutorial, we will incorporate improvement suggestions by Andrea Dalseno. While there are multiple ways to accomplish this task, it is always best practice to use robust approaches.

1.1 Cleaning and Transforming Customer Call Dataset

We will first transform this data with pandas and then with dplyr in the next section. We will use pandas method chaining.

1.2 Loading the Required Packages

Since we will be using both R and Python, we will load the reticulate library.

```
# Libraries
library(reticulate)
library(tidyverse)

Loading Python Libraries

import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
from janitor import clean_names
import re
```

1.3 Importing the dataset

In this section of the updated tutorial, we will first create a list of potential NaN values in case we encounter others that do not appear in our current dataset.

2 Wrangling Customer Data with pandas

Now let's kick things off with the **mighty pandas** to accomplish our task. Our objective in this project is to create a working customer list. In other words, we only need to retain customers who have consented to being contacted and have a working phone number.

```
# Adjusting pandas column display option
pd.set_option("display.max_columns", None)
# Make labels - updated using Andrea's suggestion
labels = {'Y': 'Yes', 'YES': 'Yes', 'YE': 'Yes', 'N': 'No', 'NO': 'No'}
# Define a function to clean and format phone numbers
def clean_phone_number(phone):
    # Convert the value to a string, and then remove non-alphanumeric characters
    \#phone = re.sub(r'[^a-zA-Z0-9]', '', str(phone))
    phone = re.sub(r'\D', '', str(phone))
    # Check if the phone number has 10 digits
    if len(phone) == 10:
        # Format the phone number as xxx-xxx-xxxx
        phone = f'{phone[:3]}-{phone[3:6]}-{phone[6:]}'
    else:
        # Handle other formats or invalid phone numbers
        phone = np.nan
    return phone
# Define a function to clean and transform the address column
def clean_address(df):
    df[['street_address', 'state', 'zip_code']] = df['address'].str.split(',', n=2, expand
    return df
# Clean and transform the data
# ------
customer_df = (
  customer raw
  # Clean and transform column values
  .assign(
    last_name=lambda x: x['last_name'].str.strip('/|...|_').str.strip(' '),
    paying_customer=lambda x: x['paying_customer'].replace(labels),
```

```
do_not_contact=lambda x: x['do_not_contact'].replace(labels),
      phone_number=lambda x: x['phone_number'].apply(clean_phone_number)
    )
    # Split address column into: Street Address, State, and Zip Code
    .pipe(clean_address)
    # Delete unwanted column
    .drop(columns=['not useful column', 'address'])
    .query('~(do_not_contact == "Yes" | do_not_contact.isna()) & ~phone_number.isna()')
    .rename(columns={'customerid': 'customer_id'})
    .reset_index(drop=True)
  )
  # Inspecting the first 5 rows
  customer_df.head()
   customer_id first_name last_name phone_number paying_customer
0
          1001
                    Frodo
                            Baggins 123-545-5421
                                                              Yes
          1005
                               Snow 876-678-3469
1
                      Jon
                                                              Yes
2
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                 Sherlock
                             Holmes 876-678-3469
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3
          1010
                    Peter
                             Parker 123-545-5421
                                                              Yes
4
          1013
                      Don
                            Draper 123-543-2345
                                                              Yes
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                                        state zip_code
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                                        Shire
              No
                                                  None
              No 123 Dragons Road
1
                                         None
                                                  None
2
                     98 Clue Drive
                                         None
              No
                                                  None
              No 25th Main Street
                                     New York
3
                                                  None
4
              No 2039 Main Street
                                         None
                                                  None
```

2.1 Regenerating the Same Results Using a Revised Function

```
# Revised version
# Define a function to clean last name
def clean_last_name_revised(name):
    if pd.isna(name):
        return ''
    # Remove non alphabetic characters but keeps spaces ' and -
    name = re.sub(r"[^A-Za-z\-\s']", '', name).strip()
    name = re.sub(r"\s+", " ", name)
    return name
```

```
# Clean and transform the data
  # -----
  customer_final = (
    customer_raw
    # Clean and transform column values
    .assign(
      last_name=lambda x: x['last_name'].apply(clean_last_name_revised),
      paying_customer=lambda x: x['paying_customer'].replace(labels),
      do_not_contact=lambda x: x['do_not_contact'].replace(labels),
      phone_number=lambda x: x['phone_number'].apply(clean_phone_number)
    )
    # Split address column into: Street Address, State, and Zip Code
    .pipe(clean_address)
    # Delete unwanted column
    .drop(columns=['not_useful_column', 'address'])
    .query('~(do_not_contact == "Yes" | do_not_contact.isna()) & ~phone number.isna()')
    .rename(columns={'customerid': 'customer_id'})
    .reset_index(drop=True)
  # Inspecting the first 5 rows
  customer_df.head()
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                                    New York
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                 2039 Main Street
             No
                                        None
                                                 None
```

2.2 Converting Code into a Function

Now, let's convert our code into a function and write a Python module to manage our customer call data cleaning and transformation.

```
# Define a function
column_names = {'customerid': 'customer_id'}
def tweak_customer_call_data(df, labels, column_names):
   Clean and format customer call data.
   This function takes a DataFrame as input, performs various data cleaning and
   formatting operations on it, and returns the cleaned DataFrame.
   Parameters:
   df (pandas.DataFrame): The input DataFrame containing customer call data.
   Returns:
   pandas.DataFrame: A cleaned and formatted DataFrame with the following
   modifications:
   - Cleaned last names in the 'last_name' column.
   - Transformed 'paying_customer' and 'do_not_contact' columns.
   - Cleaned and formatted 'phone_number' column.
   - Split 'address' column into 'Street Address', 'State', and 'Zip Code'.
   - Dropped unwanted columns 'not_useful_column' and 'address'.
   - Filtered rows where 'do_not_contact' is not 'Yes' or is not NaN and 'phone_number' i
   - Renamed the 'customerid' column to 'customer_id'.
   - Reset the DataFrame index.
   Notes:
   - The 'clean_last_name_revised' function is used to clean the 'last_name' column.
   - The 'clean_phone_number' function is used to clean and format phone numbers.
   - The 'clean_address' function is used to split the 'address' column into 'Street Addr
   Example:
   df = tweak_customer_call_data(customer_raw)
   # Include required libraries
   import re
   import numpy as np
   import pandas as pd
   from janitor import clean_names
   # Make labels - updated using Andrea's suggestion
   #labels = {'Y': 'Yes', 'YES': 'Yes', 'YE': 'Yes', 'N': 'No', 'NO': 'No'}
```

```
# Define a function to clean and format phone numbers
def clean_phone_number(phone):
   # Convert the value to a string, and then remove non-alphanumeric characters
   phone = re.sub(r'\D', '', str(phone))
   # Check if the phone number has 10 digits
   if len(phone) == 10:
       # Format the phone number as xxx-xxx-xxxx
       phone = f'{phone[:3]}-{phone[3:6]}-{phone[6:]}'
       # Handle other formats or invalid phone numbers
       phone = np.nan
   return phone
# Define a function to clean last names
def clean_last_name_revised(name):
   if pd.isna(name):
       return ''
   # Remove non-alphabetic characters but keep spaces, single quotes, and hyphens
   name = re.sub(r"[^A-Za-z\-\s']", '', name).strip()
   name = re.sub(r"\s+", " ", name)
   return name
# Define a function to clean and transform the address column
def clean_address(df):
   df[['street_address', 'state', 'zip_code']] = df['address'].str.split(',', n=2, ex
   return df
# Clean and transform the data
# -----
return (
   # Clean and transform column values
    .assign(
       last_name=lambda x: x['last_name'].apply(clean_last_name_revised),
       paying_customer=lambda x: x['paying_customer'].str.lower().replace(labels),
       do_not_contact=lambda x: x['do_not_contact'].str.lower().replace(labels),
       phone_number=lambda x: x['phone_number'].apply(clean_phone_number)
   # Split address column into: Street Address, State, and Zip Code
```

```
.pipe(clean_address)
# Delete unwanted columns
.drop(columns=['not_useful_column', 'address'])
.query('~(do_not_contact == "yes" | do_not_contact.isna() | phone_number.isna())')
.rename(columns=column_names)
.reset_index(drop=True)
)
```

2.3 Testing the Function

```
# Make labels - updated using Andrea's suggestion
  labels = {'y': 'yes', 'ye':'yes', 'n': 'no'}
  column_names = {'customerid': 'customer_id'}
  df = tweak_customer_call_data(customer_raw, labels, column_names)
  df.head()
   customer_id first_name last_name phone_number paying_customer
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                     98 Clue Drive
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                                    New York
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                 2039 Main Street
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                                        None
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```

2.4 Importing Our New Module

Here we used ChatGPT to add a docstring to our function.

```
# Load the Module
import custopy as cy

# Make labels - updated using Andrea's suggestion
labels = {'y': 'yes', 'ye':'yes', 'n': 'no'}
```

```
column_names = {'customerid': 'customer_id'}

# Test the module
customer = cy.tweak_customer_call_data(customer_raw, labels, column_names)
```

3 Replicating the Same Task in R

Now let's turn to dplyr to accomplish the same task. Our objective in this project is to create a working customer list. In other words, we only need to retain customers who have consented to being contacted and have a working phone number.

```
# Cleaning and transforming customer call dataset with dplyr
# convert a pandas DataFrame into R dataframe
pattern <- "[^A-Za-z\\-\\s']"
phone_pattern <- "[a-zA-Z\\-\\|/]"
customer_tbl <- py$customer_raw |>
  # You can include or exclude columns using the select() function.
  select(-not_useful_column) |>
  # Tidy column values
  mutate(
    last_name = str_remove_all(last_name, pattern) |> str_trim(),
    phone_number = as.numeric(str_remove_all(phone_number, phone_pattern)),
    phone_number = str_c(str_sub(phone_number, 1, 3), "-",
                         str_sub(phone_number, 4, 6), "-",
                         str_sub(phone_number, 7, 10)
                    )
  ) |>
  # Separate address column into street address, state, and zip code
  separate_wider_delim(
    address,
    delim = ",",
    names = c("street_address", "state", "zip_code"),
    too_few = "align_start"
  ) |>
  # Modify column values
  mutate(
```

```
paying_customer = case_when(
    paying_customer == "Y" ~ "Yes",
    paying_customer == "N" ~ "No",
    TRUE ~ paying_customer
  )
) |>
# Alternative method
mutate(
  do_not_contact = case_when(
    str_detect(do_not_contact, "Y") ~ "Yes",
    str_detect(do_not_contact, "N") ~ "No",
    TRUE ~ do_not_contact
) |>
# Remove unwanted rows
filter(
  do_not_contact != "Yes" & !is.na(phone_number)
) |>
# Rename a column
rename(customer_id = customerid)
```

4 Closing Remarks

In this revised tutorial, we have incorporated Andrea's suggestions for best practices and code robustness. Additionally, we have made modifications to the R section of the code to reflect the same improvements as in the pandas section. We hope you will find this tutorial beneficial, and if you do, please leave us a comment and follow us @tongakuot on LinkedIn, GitHub, and YouTube.

Happy Coding!