

40 Questions to test your skill in Python for Data Science

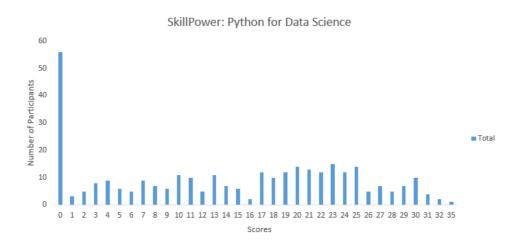
BEGINNER CAREER MACHINE LEARNING PYTHON SKILLTEST

Python is increasingly becoming popular among data science enthusiasts, and for right reasons. It brings the entire ecosystem of a general programming language. So you can not only transform and manipulate data, but you can also create strong pipelines and machine learning workflows in a single ecosystem.

At Analytics Vidhya, we love Python. Most of us use Python as our preferred tool for machine learning. Not only this, if you want to learn Deep Learning, Python clearly has the most mature ecosystem among all other languages.

If you are learning Python for Data Science, this test was created to help you assess your skill in Python. This test was conducted as part of DataFest 2017. Close to 1,300 people participated in the test with more than 300 people taking this test.

Below are the distribution scores of the people who took the test:



You can access the final scores <u>here</u>. Here are a few statistics about the distribution.

Mean Score: 14.16

Median Score: 15

Mode Score: 0



Questions & Answers

Question Context 1

You must have seen the show "How I met your mother". Do you remember the game where they played, in which each person drinks a shot whenever someone says "but, um". I thought of adding a twist to the game. What if you could use your technical skills to play this game?

To identify how many shots a person is having in the entire game, you are supposed to write a code.

Below is the subtitle sample script.

Note: Python regular expression library has been imported as re.

```
txt = '''450 00:17:53,457 --> 00:17:56,175 0kay, but, um, thanks for being with us. 451 00:17:56,175 --> 00:17:58,616 But, um, if there's any college kids watching, 452 00:17:58,616 --> 00:18:01,610 But, um, but, um, but, um, but, um, but, um, but, um, bot, um, but, um, but, um, but, um, but, um, but, um, 453 00:18:01,610 --> 00:18:03,656 We have to drink, professor.
```

```
454 00:18:03,656 --> 00:18:07,507 It's the rules. She said "But, um" 455 00:18:09,788 --> 00:18:12,515 But, um, but, um, but, um... god help us all. '''
```

1) Which of the following codes would be appropriate for this task?

- A) len(re.findall('But, um', txt))
- B) re.search('But, um', txt).count()
- C) len(re.findall('[B,b]ut, um', txt))
- D) re.search('[B,b]ut, um', txt)).count()

Solution: (C)

You have to find both capital and small versions of "but" So option C is correct.

Question Context 2

Suppose you are given the below string

```
str = """Email_Address,Nickname,Group_Status,Join_Year
aa@aaa.com,aa,Owner,2014
bb@bbb.com,bb,Member,2015
cc@ccc.com,cc,Member,2017
dd@ddd.com,dd,Member,2016
ee@eee.com,ee,Member,2020
"""
```

In order to extract only the domain names from the email addresses from the above string (for eg. "aaa", "bbb"..) you write the following code:

```
for i in re.finditer('([a-zA-Z]+)@([a-zA-Z]+).(com)', str): print i.group(\_)
```

2) What number should be mentioned instead of "__" to index only the domains?

Note: Python regular expression library has been imported as re.

D) 3	
Solution: (C)	
Read syntax of regular expres	sion re.
Question Context 3	
* -	s - "All those people who have names ending with the sound of "y" (Eg: "Please note: The name should end with the sound of 'y' but not end with
Now you being a data freak, Here's data you have collected	challenge the hypothesis by scraping data from your college's website. d.
Name	Marks
Andy	0
Mandi Sandy	10 20
Hollie	18
Molly	19
Dollie	15
You want to make a list of all	people who fall in this category. You write following code do to the same:
<pre>temp = [] for i in re.finditer(</pre>	<pre>pattern, str): temp.append(i.group(1))</pre>
3) What should be the value o	f "pattern" in regular expression?
Note: Python regular express	on library has been imported as re.
A) pattern = '(i ie)(,)'	
B) pattern = '(i\$ ie\$)(,)'	
C) pattern = '([a-zA-Z]+i [a-zA-Z	Z]+ie)(,)'
D) None of these	
Solution: (B)	
You have to find the pattern th	e end in either "i" or "ie". So option B is correct.
Question Context 4	

A) 0

B) 1

C) 2

Assume, you are given two lists:

a = [1,2,3,4,5]

b = [6,7,8,9]

Output:
a = [1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9]
4) Which of the following option would you choose?
A) a.append(b)
B) a.extend(b)
C) Any of the above
O) None of these
Solution: (B)
Option B is correct
5) You have built a machine learning model which you wish to freeze now and use later. Which of the following command can perform this task for you?
Note: Pickle library has been imported as pkl.
A) push(model, "file")
3) save(model, "file")
C) dump(model, "file")
D) freeze(model, "file")
Solution: (C)
Option C is correct
Question Context 6
We want to convert the below string in date-time value:
import time str = '21/01/2017' datetime_value = time.strptime(str, date_format)
5) To convert the above string, what should be written in place of date_format?
A) "%d/%m/%y"
B) "%D/%M/%Y"
C) "%d/%M/%y"
D) "%d/%m/%Y"
Solution: (D)

Option D is correct

The task is to create a list which has all the elements of a and b in one dimension.

Question Context 7

I have built a simple neural network for an image recognition problem. Now, I want to test if I have assigned the weights & biases for the hidden layer correctly. To perform this action, I am giving an identity matrix as input. Below is my identity matrix:

A = [1,0,0 0,1,0 0,0,1]

7) How would you create this identity matrix in python?

Note: Library numpy has been imported as np.

- A) np.eye(3)
- B) identity(3)
- C) np.array([1, 0, 0], [0, 1, 0], [0, 0, 1])
- D) All of these

Solution: (A)

Option B does not exist (it should be np.identity()). And option C is wrong, because the syntax is incorrect. So the answer is option A

8) To check whether the two arrays occupy same space, what would you do?

I have two numpy arrays "e" and "f".

You get the following output when you print "e" & "f"

```
print e [1, 2, 3, 2, 3, 4, 4, 5, 6] print f [[1, 2, 3], [2, 3, 4], [4, 5, 6]]
```

When you change the values of the first array, the values for the second array also changes. This creates a problem while processing the data.

For example, if you set the first 5 values of e as 0; i.e.

```
print e[:5] 0
```

the final values of e and f are

```
print e [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 4, 4, 5, 6] print f [[0, 0, 0], [0, 0, 4], [4, 5, 6]]
```

You surmise that the two arrays must have the same space allocated.

- A) Check memory of both arrays, if they match that means the arrays are same.
- B) Do "np.array_equal(e, f)" and if the output is "True" then they both are same
- C) Print flags of both arrays by e.flags and f.flags; check the flag "OWNDATA". If one of them is False, then both the arrays have same space allocated.
- D) None of these

Solution: (C)

Option C is correct

Question Context 9

Suppose you want to join train and test dataset (both are two numpy arrays train_set and test_set) into a resulting array (resulting_set) to do data processing on it simultaneously. This is as follows:

```
train_set = np.array([1, 2, 3]) test_set = np.array([[0, 1, 2], [1, 2, 3]]) resulting_set --> [[1, 2, 3], [0, 1, 2], [1, 2, 3]]
```

9) How would you join the two arrays?

Note: Numpy library has been imported as np

- A) resulting_set = train_set.append(test_set)
- B) resulting_set = np.concatenate([train_set, test_set])
- C) resulting_set = np.vstack([train_set, test_set])
- D) None of these

Solution: (C)

Both option A and B would do horizontal stacking, but we would like to have vertical stacking. So option C is correct

Question Context 10

Suppose you are tuning hyperparameters of a random forest classifier for the Iris dataset.

Sepal_length	Sepal_width	Petal_length	Petal_width	Species
4.6	3.2	1.4	0.2	Iris-setosa
5.3	3.7	1.5	0.2	Iris-setosa
5.0	3.3	1.4	0.2	Iris-setosa
7.0	3.2	4.7	1.4	Iris-versicolor
6.4	3.2	4.5	1.5	Iris-versicolor

10) What would be the best value for "random_state (Seed value)"?

- A) np.random.seed(1)
- B) np.random.seed(40)
- C) np.random.seed(32)
- D) Can't say

Solution: (D)

There is no best value for seed. It depends on the data.

Question 11

While reading a csv file with numpy, you want to automatically fill missing values of column "Date_Of_Joining" with date "01/01/2010".

Name	Age	Date_Of_Joining	Total_Experience
Andy	20	01/02/2013	0
Mandy	30	01/05/2014	10
Sandy	10		0
Bandy	40	01/10/2009	20

11) Which command will be appropriate to fill missing value while reading the file with numpy?

Note: numpy has been imported as np

- A) filling_values = ("-", 0, 01/01/2010, 0) temp = np.genfromtxt(filename, filling_values=filling_values)
- B) filling_values = ("-", 0, 01/01/2010, 0) temp = np.loadtxt(filename, filling_values=filling_values)
- C) filling_values = ("-", 0, 01/01/2010, 0) temp = np.gentxt(filename, filling_values=filling_values)
- D) None of these

Solution: (A)

Option A is correct

12) How would you import a decision tree classifier in sklearn?

- A) from sklearn.decision_tree import DecisionTreeClassifier
- B) from sklearn.ensemble import DecisionTreeClassifier
- C) from sklearn.tree import DecisionTreeClassifier
- D) None of these

Solution: (C)

Option C is correct

13) You have uploaded the dataset in csv format on google spreadsheet and shared it publicly. You want to access it in python, how can you do this?

Note: Library StringIO has been imported as StringIO.

```
A) link = \frac{\text{https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/...}}{\text{source}} = StringIO.StringIO(requests.get(link).content)) data = \frac{\text{pd.read\_csv}(\text{source})}{\text{source}}
```

```
B) link = <a href="https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/...">https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/...</a>source = StringIO(request.get(link).content)) data = pd.read_csv(source)
```

```
link = <a href="https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/...">https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/...</a>source = StringIO(requests.get(link).content)) data =
pd.read_csv(source)
D) None of these
Solution: (A)
Option A is correct
Question Context 14
Imagine, you have a dataframe train file with 2 columns & 3 rows, which is loaded in pandas.
import pandas as pd
 \label{train} \ = \ pd.DataFrame(\{'id':[1,2,4],'features':[["A","B","C"],["A","D","E"],["C","D","F"]]\}) 
Now you want to apply a lambda function on "features" column:
train['features_t'] = train["features"].apply(lambda x: " ".join(["_".join(i.split(" ")) for i in x]))
14) What will be the output of following print command?
print train['features_t']
A)
0 ABC
1 ADE
2 CDF
B)
0 AB
1 ADE
2 CDF
C) Error
D) None of these
Solution: (A)
Option A is correct
```

Question Context 15

We have a multi-class classification problem for predicting quality of wine on the basis of its attributes. The data is loaded in a dataframe "df"

fixed acidity	volatile acidity	citric acid	residual sugar	chlorides	free sulfur dioxide	total sulfur dioxide	density	pН	sulphates	Alcohol	quality
0 7.4	0.70	0.00	1.9	0.076	11	34	0.9978	3.51	0.56	9.4	5
1 7.8	0.88	0.00	2.6	0.098	25	67	0.9968	3.20	0.68	9.8	5
2 7.8	0.76	0.04	2.3	0.092	15	54	0.9970	3.26	0.65	9.8	5
3 11.2	0.28	0.56	1.9	0.075	17	60	0.9980	3.16	0.58	9.8	6
4 7.4	0.70	0.00	1.9	0.076	11	34	0.9978	3.51	0.56	9.4	5

The quality column currently has values 1 to 10, but we want to substitute this by a binary classification problem. You want to keep the threshold for classification to 5, such that if the class is greater than 5, the output should be 1, else output should be 0.

15) Which of the following codes would help you perform this task?

Note: Numpy has been imported as np and dataframe is set as df.

```
A)
Y = df[quality].values Y = np.array([1 if y >= 6 else 0 for y in Y])
B)
Y = df[quality].values() Y = np.array([0 if y >= 6 else 1 for y in Y])
```

```
C) Y = df[quality] Y = np.array([0 if y >= 6 else 1 for y in Y])
```

D)None of these

Solution: (A)

Option A is correct

Question Context 16

Suppose we make a dataframe as

- 16) What is the difference between the two data series given below?
 - 1. df['Name'] and
 - 2. df.loc[:, 'Name']

Note: Pandas has been imported as pd

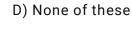
- A) 1 is view of original dataframe and 2 is a copy of original dataframe.
- B) 2 is view of original dataframe and 1 is a copy of original dataframe.
- C) Both are copies of original dataframe.

D) Both are views of original dataframe Solution: (B) Option B is correct. Refer the official docs of pandas library. **Question Context 17** Consider a function "fun" which is defined below: def fun(x): x[0] = 5 return x Now you define a list which has three numbers in it. g = [10,11,12]17) Which of the following will be the output of the given print statement: print fun(g), g A) [5, 11, 12] [5, 11, 12] B) [5, 11, 12] [10, 11, 12] C) [10, 11, 12] [10, 11, 12] D) [10, 11, 12] [5, 11, 12] Solution: (A) Option A is correct **Question Context 18** Sigmoid function is usually used for creating a neural network activation function. A sigmoid function is denoted as def sigmoid(x): return (1 / (1 + math.exp(-x)))18) It is necessary to know how to find the derivatives of sigmoid, as it would be essential for backpropagation. Select the option for finding derivative? A) import scipy Dv = scipy.misc.derive(sigmoid) B)

from sympy import * x = symbol(x) y = sigmoid(x) Dv = y.differentiate(x)

C)

Dv = sigmoid(x) * (1 - sigmoid(x))



Solution: (C)

Option C is correct

Question Context 19

Suppose you are given a monthly data and you have to convert it to daily data.

For example,

ID	Electricity Usage	Month
1	2000	1
2	20	2
3	4000	3
4	40	4



ID	Electricity Usage	Date	Month
1	100	1	1
1	100	2	1
1	100	3	1
1	100	4	1
1	100	5	1

For this, first you have to expand the data for every month (considering that every month has 30 days)

19) Which of the following code would do this?

Note: Numpy has been imported as np and dataframe is set as df.

A) new_df = pd.concat([df]*30, index = False)

B) new_df = pd.concat([df]*30, ignore_index=True)

C) new_df = pd.concat([df]*30, ignore_index=False)

D) None of these

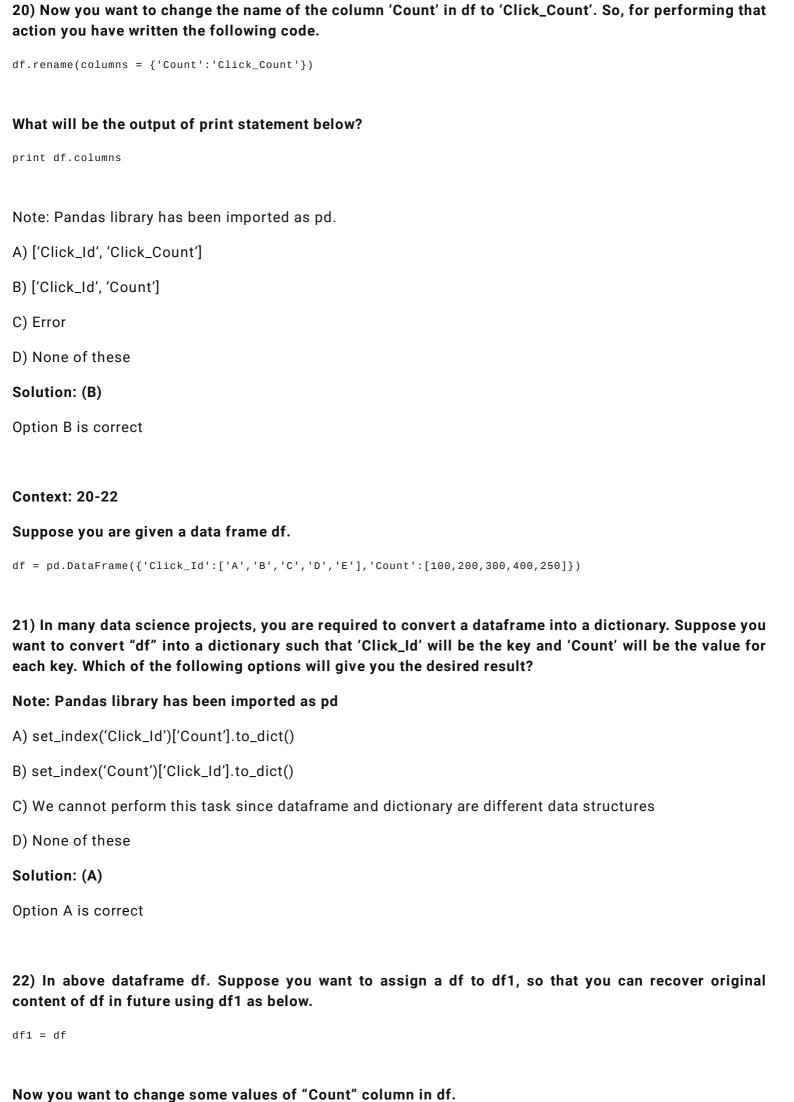
Solution: (B)

Option B is correct

Context: 20-22

Suppose you are given a dataframe df.

df = pd.DataFrame({'Click_Id':['A','B','C','D','E'],'Count':[100,200,300,400,250]})



Which of the following will be the right output for the below print statement?

print df.Count.values, df1.Count.values

Note: Pandas library has been imported as pd.

- A) [200 200 300 400 250] [200 200 300 400 250]
- B) [100 200 300 400 250] [100 200 300 400 250]
- C) [200 200 300 400 250] [100 200 300 400 250]
- D) None of these

Solution: (A)

Option A is correct

- 23) You write a code for preprocessing data, and you notice it is taking a lot of time. To amend this, you put a bookmark in the code so that you come to know how much time is spent on each code line. To perform this task, which of the following actions you would take?
 - 1. You put bookmark as time.sleep() so that you would know how much the code has "slept" literally
 - 2. You put bookmark as time.time() and check how much time elapses in each code line
 - 3. You put bookmark as datetime.timedelta(), so that you would find out differences of execution times
 - 4. You copy whole code in an Ipython / Jupyter notebook, with each code line as a separate block and write magic function %%timeit in each block
- A) 1 & 2
- B) 1,2 & 3
- C) 1,2 & 4
- D) All of the above

Solution: (C)

Option C is correct

24) How would you read data from the file using pandas by skipping the first three lines?

Note: pandas library has been imported as pd In the given file (email.csv), the first three records are empty.

,,, ,,, Email_Address,Nickname,Group_Status,Join_Year aa@aaa.com,aa,Owner,2014 bb@bbb.com,bb,Member,2015 cc@ccc.com,cc,Member,2017 dd@ddd.com,dd,Member,2016

- A) read_csv('email.csv', skip_rows=3)
- B) read_csv('email.csv', skiprows=3)

- C) read_csv('email.csv', skip=3)
- D) None of these

Solution: (B)

Option B is correct

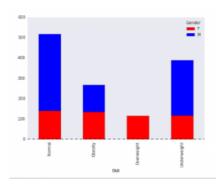
25) What should be written in-place of "method" to produce the desired outcome?

Given below is dataframe "df":

EMPID	Gender	Age	Sales	BMI	Income
E001	M	34	123	Normal	350
E002	F	40	114	Overweight	450
E003	F	37	135	Obesity	169
E004	M	30	139	Underweight	189
E005	F	44	117	Underweight	183
E006	M	36	121	Normal	80
E007	M	32	133	Obesity	166
E008	F	26	140	Normal	120
E009	M	32	133	Normal	75
E010	M	36	133	Underweight	40

Now, you want to know whether BMI and Gender would influence the sales.

For this, you want to plot a bar graph as shown below:



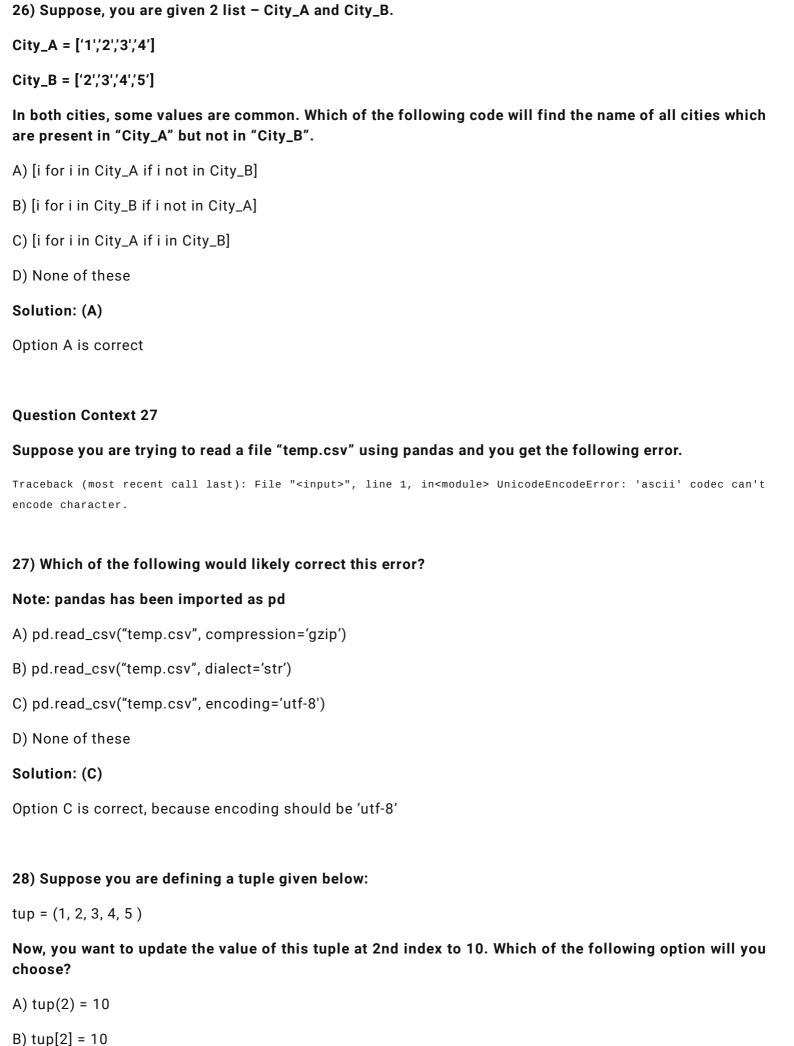
The code for this is:

var = df.groupby(['BMI','Gender']).Sales.sum() var.unstack().plot(kind='bar', method, color=['red','blue'],
grid=False)

- A) stacked=True
- B) stacked=False
- C) stack=False
- D) None of these

Solution: (A)

It's a stacked bar chart.



C) $tup{2} = 10$

D) None of these

Solution: (D) A tuple cannot be updated. 29) You want to read a website which has url as "www.abcd.org". Which of the following options will perform this task? A) urllib2.urlopen(www.abcd.org) B) requests.get(www.abcd.org) C) Both A and B D) None of these Solution: (C) Option C is correct **Question Context 30** Suppose you are given the below web page $\label{location} $$ \operatorname{html_doc} = """ <! DOCTYPE & \operatorname{html} > \operatorname{htmllang} = "en" > \operatorname{head} > \operatorname{metacharset} = "utf-8" > \operatorname{metaname} = "viewport" > \operatorname{html_doc} = """ <! DOCTYPE & \operatorname{html} > \operatorname{html}$ content="width=device-width"> <title>udacity/deep-learning: Repo for the Deep Learning Nanodegree Foundations program.</title> krel="search" type="application/opensearchdescription+xml" href="<a href="opensearch.xml"/opensearch.xml"/opensearch.xml href="https://github.com/fluidicon.png" title="GitHub"> title="GitHub"> <linkrel="fluid-icon" <linkrel="assets" href="https://assets-</pre> cdn.github.com/"> ... """ 30) To read the title of the webpage you are using BeautifulSoup. What is the code for this? Hint: You have to extract text in title tag A. from bs4 import BeautifulSoup soup =BeautifulSoup(html_doc,'html.parser') print soup.title.name B. from bs4 import BeautifulSoup soup =BeautifulSoup(html_doc,'html.parser')

- print soup.title.string
- C. from bs4 import BeautifulSoup soup=BeautifulSoup(html_doc,'html.parser') print soup.title.get_text
- D. None of these

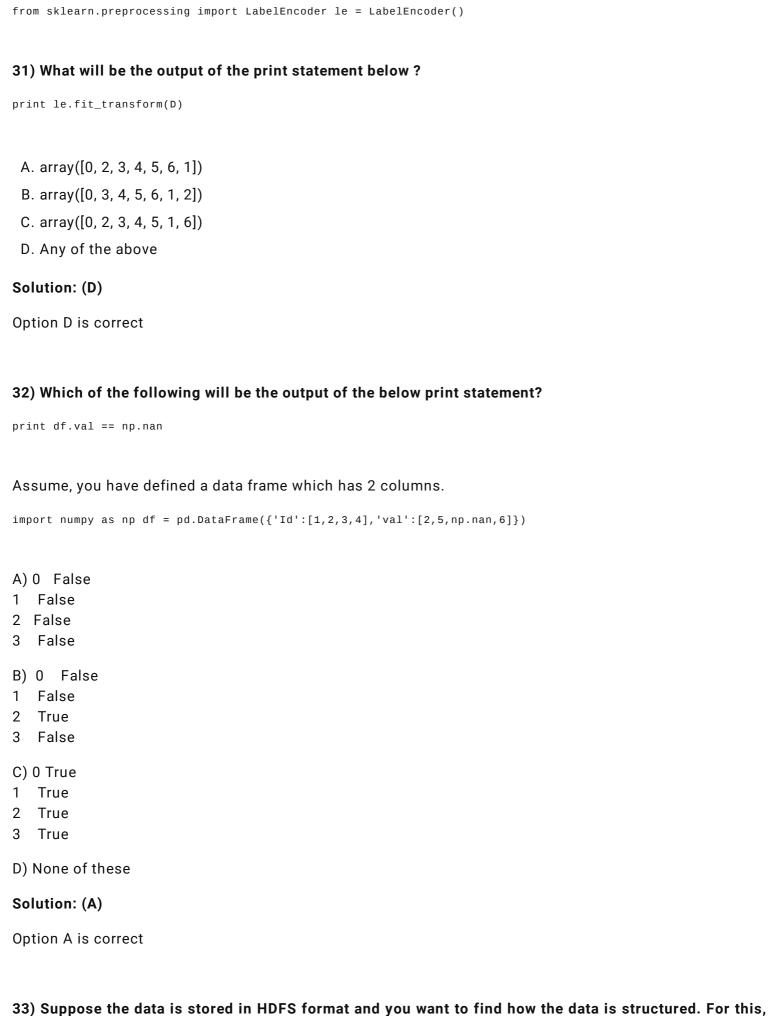
Solution: (B)

Option B is correct

Ouestion Context 31

Imagine, you are given a list of items in a DataFrame as below.

D = ['A','B','C','D','E','AA','AB']



Now, you want to apply label encoding on this list for importing and transforming, using LabelEncoder.

which of the following command would help you find out the names of HDFS keys?

Note: HDFS file has been loaded by h5py as hf.

34)What value should we split on to get individual words?
A. ' '
B. '',
C. '.'
D. None of these
Solution: (A)
Option A is correct
35) How to set a line width in the plot given below?
4.0
3.5 -
3.0 -
2.5
2.0
1.5

reviews = ['movie is unwatchable no matter how decent the first half is . ', 'somewhat funny and well paced action thriller that has jamie foxx as a hapless fast talking hoodlum who is chosen by an overly demanding', 'morse is okay as the agent who comes up with the ingenious plan to get whoever did it at all

Your task is to find sentiments from the review above. For this, you first write a code to find count of

counts = Counter() for i in range(len(reviews)): for word in reviews[i].split(value): counts[word] += 1

A) hf.key()

B) hf.key

C) hf.keys()

Solution: (C)

cost .']

D) None of these

Option C is correct

Question Context 34

You are given reviews for movies below:

individual words in all the sentences.

For the above graph, the code for producing the plot was

import matplotlib.pyplot as plt plt.plot([1,2,3,4]) plt.show()

- A. In line two, write plt.plot([1,2,3,4], width=3)
- B. In line two, write plt.plot([1,2,3,4], line_width=3
- C. In line two, write plt.plot([1,2,3,4], lw=3)
- D. None of these

Solution: (C)

Option C is correct

36) How would you reset the index of a dataframe to a given list? The new index is given as:

new_index=['Safari','Iceweasel','Comodo Dragon','IE10','Chrome']

Note: df is a pandas dataframe

	http_status	response_time
Firefox	200	0.04
Chrome	200	0.02
Safari	404	0.07
IE10	404	0.08
Konqueror	301	1.00

- A) df.reset_index(new_index,)
- B) df.reindex(new_index,)
- C) df.reindex_like(new_index,)
- D) None of these

Solution: (A)

Option A is correct

37) Determine the proportion of passengers survived based on their passenger class.

Passengerid	l Survived	Pclass	Name	Sex	Age SibSp	Parch	Ticket	Fare	Cabin	Embarked
0 1	0	3	Braund, Mr. Owen Harris	male	22.0 1	0	A/5 21171	7.2500	NaN	S
1 2	1	1	Cumings, Mrs. John Bradley (Florence Briggs Th	female	38.01	0	PC 17599	71.2833	C85	С
2 3	1	3	Heikkinen, Miss. Laina	female	26.00	0	STON/02. 3101282	7.9250	NaN	S
3 4	1	1	Futrelle, Mrs. Jacques Heath (Lily May Peel)	female	35.01	0	113803	53.1000	C123	S
4 5	0	3	Allen, Mr. William Henry	male	35.00	0	373450	8.0500	NaN	S

- A. crosstab(df_train['Pclass'], df_train['Survived'])
- B. proportion(df_train['Pclass'], df_train['Survived'])
- C. crosstab(df_train['Survived'], df_train['Pclass'])
- D. None of these

Solution: (A)

Option A is correct

38) You want to write a generic code to calculate n-gram of the text. The 2-gram of this sentence would be [["this, "is"], ["is", "a"], ["a, "sample"], ["sample", "text"]]

Which of the following code would be correct?

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For a given a sentence: 'this is a sample text'.
```

```
A. def generate_ngrams(text, n):
  words = text.split('\n')
  output = [] for i in range(len(words)-n+1):
  append(words[i+1:i+n])
  return output
B. def generate_ngrams(text, n):
  words = text.split()
  output = [] for i in range(len(words)-n+1):
  append(words[i:i+n])
  return output
C. def generate_ngrams(text, n):
  words = text.split()
  output = [] for i in range(len(words)-n+1):
  append(words[i+1:i+n])
  return output
D. None of these
```

Solution: (B)

Option B is correct

39) Which of the following code will export dataframe (df) in CSV file, encoded in UTF-8 after hiding index & header labels.

```
A.\ df\_1.to\_csv(`../data/file.csv',encoding='utf-8',index=True,header=False)\\
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- B. df_1.to_csv('../data/file.csv',encoding='utf-8',index=False,header=True)
- $C.\ df_1.to_csv(`../data/file.csv',encoding='utf-8',index=False,header=False)\\$
- D. None of these

Solution: (C)

Option C is correct

40) Which of the following is a correct implementation of mean squared error (MSE) metric?

Note: numpy library has been imported as np.

- A. def MSE(real_target, predicted_target):
 return np.mean((np.square(real_target) np.square(predicted_target)))
- B. def MSE(real_target, predicted_target):
 return np.mean((real_target predicted_target)**2)
- C. def MSE(real_target, predicted_target):
 return np.sqrt(np.mean((np.square(real_target) np.square(predicted_target))))
- D. None of the above

Solution: (B)

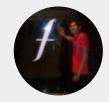
Option B is correct

End Notes

If you are learning Python, make sure you go through the test above. It will not only help you assess your skill. You can also see where you stand among other people in the community. If you have any questions or doubts, feel free to post them below.

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