1 Module 3: Introduction to Data Analysis

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1.1 The Data Science Lifecycle

- The Lifecycle:
 - Start with a science question
 - Obtain data clean it
 - Interpret and understand the data
 - Understand the world
 - Make actionable recommendations

1.2 The Cross-Industry Standard Process for Data Mining (CRISP-DM) Framework

- Business Understanding
 - Determine Business Objectives:
 - Background & Success criteria
 - Assess Situation:
 - Requirements, Assumptions & Constraints
 - Risks & Contingencies
 - Terminology
 - Cost & Benefits

- Determine Data Mining Goals:
 - Data mining goals & success criteria
- Produce Project Plan:
 - Initial assessment of tools and techniques

• Data Understanding

- Collect initial data
- Describe data
- Explore data
- Verify data quality

• Data Preparation

- Select Data:
 - Rational for inclusion/exclusion
- Clean Data
- Construct Data:
 - Derived data
 - Generated records
- Integrate/Format Data

• Modeling

- Select Modeling Technique:
 - Modeling techniques & model assumptions
- Generate Test Design
- Build Model:
 - Parameter setting
 - Model description
- Assess Model:
 - Assess & revise parameter settings

• Evaluation

- Evaluate Results:
 - Assess results wrt business success criteria

- Review Process
- Determine Next Steps:
 - i.e. Possible actions or a decision
- Deployment
 - Plan Deployment
 - Plan Monitoring and Maintenance
 - Produce Final Report/Presentation
 - Review Project & Documentation

1.3 pandas Basics

- Multi-param query requires "&" and parentheses: df[(df[str]=='str') & (df[float]==float)]
- df.query() for multiparam: e.g. df.query('Entity == "China" and Year == 2017')
- df.isin(): df[df.isin(list)]
- df.query() for isin: e.g. df.query('Entity in @list_of_countries')

1.4 pandas Aggregation Operations

- df.groupby(parameter_to_sum:str) 'groups' the dataframe by that parameter
 - df.groupby(param:str).agg(sum)
 - .agg(max) and .agg(min)
 - .agg(function) define and use a function to aggregate groupby

1.5 pandas Sorting with Aggregation

• df.sort_values(parameter, ascending=bool)

• Can combine .sort_values() and .groupby() e.g. df.sort_values('gdp').groupby('Year').agg(lambda x: x.iloc[0]) Retrives the lowest gdp every year! (NOTE that the .agg element is equivalent to .first())

1.6 pandas Indexing

- .set_index(column_name) or .set_index([col_names ,...]) (Notice that using .groupby(col) automatically indexes by col)
- .reset_index()

1.7 pandas Filtering

- df.dropna() Drops any row with NaN
- df.filter(function)
 e.g. function = lambda x: max(x) > 10
 (Returns bool for whether the column's max is >10)