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*Archaeological Spatial Analysis* World Bank Publications

The world around us is full of data that holds unique insights and valuable stories, and this book will help you uncover them. Whether you already work with data or want to learn more about its possibilities, the examples and techniques in this practical book will help you more easily clean, evaluate, and analyze data so that you can generate meaningful insights and compelling visualizations. Complementing foundational concepts with expert advice, author Susan E. McGregor provides the resources you need to extract, evaluate, and analyze a wide variety of data sources and formats, along with the tools to communicate your findings effectively. This book delivers a methodical, jargon-free way for data practitioners at any level, from true novices to seasoned professionals, to harness the power of data. Use Python 3.8+ to read, write, and transform data from a variety of sources Understand and use programming basics in Python to wrangle data at scale Organize, document, and structure your code using best practices Collect data from structured data files, web pages, and APIs Perform basic statistical analyses to make

meaning from datasets Visualize and present data in clear and compelling ways

**R for Data Science** CQ Press

The book shows you how to view data from multiple perspectives, including data frame and column attributes. You will cover common and not-so-common challenges that are faced while cleaning messy data for complex situations. You will learn to manipulate data and get them down to a form that can be useful for making the right decisions.

*A Data Scientist's Guide to Acquiring, Cleaning, and Managing Data in R* 5starcooks

"What are the most effective methods to code and analyze data for a particular study? This thoughtful and engaging book reviews the selection criteria for coding and analyzing any set of data--whether qualitative, quantitative, mixed, or visual. The authors systematically explain when to use verbal, numerical, graphic, or combined codes, and when to use qualitative, quantitative, graphic, or mixed-methods modes of analysis. Chapters on each topic are organized so that researchers can read them sequentially or can easily "flip and find" answers to specific questions. Nontechnical discussions of cutting-edge approaches--illustrated with real-world examples--emphasize how to choose (rather than how to implement) the various analyses. The book shows how using the right analysis methods leads to more justifiable conclusions and more persuasive presentations of research results. Useful features for teaching or self-study: \*Chapter-opening preview boxes that highlight useful topics addressed. \*End-of-chapter summary tables recapping

the 'dos and don'ts' and advantages and disadvantages of each analytic technique. \*Annotated suggestions for further reading and technical resources on each topic. Subject Areas/Keywords: analyses, coding, combined methods, data analysis, data collection, dissertation, graphical, interpretation, mixed methods, qualitative, quantitative, research analysis, research designs, research methods, social sciences, thesis, visual Audience: Researchers, instructors, and graduate students in a range of disciplines, including psychology, education, social work, sociology, health, and management; administrators and managers who need to make data-driven decisions"--

## REGISTRIES FOR EVALUATING PATIENT OUTCOMES

John Wiley & Sons

The contributors to Best Practices in Quantitative Methods envision quantitative methods in the 21st century, identify the best practices, and, where possible, demonstrate the superiority of their recommendations empirically. Editor Jason W. Osborne designed this book with the goal of providing readers with the most effective, evidence-based, modern quantitative methods and quantitative data analysis across the social and behavioral sciences. The text is divided into five main sections covering select best practices in Measurement, Research Design, Basics of Data Analysis, Quantitative Methods, and Advanced Quantitative Methods. Each chapter contains a current and expansive review of the literature, a case for best practices in terms of method,

outcomes, inferences, etc., and broad-ranging examples along with any empirical evidence to show why certain techniques are better. Key Features: Describes important implicit knowledge to readers: The chapters in this volume explain the important details of seemingly mundane aspects of quantitative research, making them accessible to readers and demonstrating why it is important to pay attention to these details. Compares and contrasts analytic techniques: The book examines instances where there are multiple options for doing things, and make recommendations as to what is the "best" choice—or choices, as what is best often depends on the circumstances. Offers new procedures to update and explicate traditional techniques: The featured scholars present and explain new options for data analysis, discussing the advantages and disadvantages of the new procedures in depth, describing how to perform them, and demonstrating their use. Intended Audience: Representing the vanguard of research methods for the 21st century, this book is an invaluable resource for graduate students and researchers who want a comprehensive, authoritative resource for practical and sound advice from leading experts in quantitative methods.

### A PRACTICAL APPROACH TO WORKING WITH DATA

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**Best Practices in Data Cleaning** Morgan Kaufmann

A key task that any aspiring data-driven organization needs to learn is data wrangling, the process of converting raw data into something truly useful. This practical guide provides business analysts with an overview of various data wrangling techniques and tools, and puts the practice of data wrangling into context by asking, "What are you trying to do and why?" Wrangling data consumes roughly 50-80% of an analyst's time before any kind of analysis is possible. Written by key executives at Trifacta, this book walks you through the wrangling process by exploring several factors—time, granularity, scope, and structure—that you need to consider as you begin to work with data. You'll learn a shared language and a comprehensive understanding of data wrangling, with an emphasis on recent agile analytic processes used by many of today's data-driven organizations. Appreciate the importance—and the satisfaction—of wrangling data the right way. Understand what kind of data is available Choose which data to use and at what level of detail Meaningfully combine multiple sources of data Decide how to distill the results to a size and shape that can drive downstream analysis

**Best Practices in Quantitative Methods** BPB Publications

Features a practical approach to the analysis of biomedical data via mathematical methods and provides a MATLAB® toolbox for the collection, visualization, and evaluation of experimental and real-life data Applied Mathematics for the Analysis of Biomedical Data: Models, Methods, and MATLAB® presents a practical approach to the task that biological scientists face when analyzing data. The primary focus is on the application of mathematical models and scientific computing methods to provide insight into the behavior of biological systems. The author draws upon his experience in academia, industry, and government-sponsored research as well as his expertise in MATLAB to produce a suite of computer programs with applications in epidemiology, machine learning, and biostatistics. These models are derived from real-world data and concerns. Among the topics included are the spread of infectious disease (HIV/AIDS) through a population, statistical pattern recognition methods to determine the presence of disease in a diagnostic sample, and the fundamentals of hypothesis testing. In addition, the author uses his professional experiences to present unique case studies whose analyses provide detailed insights into biological systems and the problems inherent in their examination. The book contains a well-developed and tested set of MATLAB functions that act as a general toolbox for practitioners of quantitative biology and biostatistics. This combination of MATLAB functions and practical tips amplifies the book's technical merit and value to industry professionals. Through numerous examples and sample code blocks, the book provides readers with illustrations of MATLAB programming. Moreover, the

associated toolbox permits readers to engage in the process of data analysis without needing to delve deeply into the mathematical theory. This gives an accessible view of the material for readers with varied backgrounds. As a result, the book provides a streamlined framework for the development of mathematical models, algorithms, and the corresponding computer code. In addition, the book features: Real-world computational procedures that can be readily applied to similar problems without the need for keen mathematical acumen Clear delineation of topics to accelerate access to data analysis Access to a book companion website containing the MATLAB toolbox created for this book, as well as a Solutions Manual with solutions to selected exercises Applied Mathematics for the Analysis of Biomedical Data: Models, Methods, and MATLAB® is an excellent textbook for students in mathematics, biostatistics, the life and social sciences, and quantitative, computational, and mathematical biology. This book is also an ideal reference for industrial scientists, biostatisticians, product development scientists, and practitioners who use mathematical models of biological systems in biomedical research, medical device development, and pharmaceutical submissions.

### MANAGING INFORMATION RISKS

Springer Nature

The field of data mining provides techniques for automated discovery of valuable information from the accumulated data of computerized operations of enterprises. This book offers a clear and comprehensive introduction to both data mining theory and practice. It is written primarily as a textbook for the students of computer science, management, computer applications, and information technology. The book ensures that the students learn the major data mining techniques even if they do not have a strong mathematical background. The techniques include data pre-processing, association rule mining, supervised classification, cluster analysis, web data mining, search engine query mining, data warehousing and OLAP. To enhance the understanding of the concepts introduced, and to show how the techniques described in the book are used in practice, each chapter is followed by one or two case studies that have been published in scholarly journals. Most case studies deal with real business problems (for example, marketing, e-commerce, CRM). Studying the case studies provides the reader with a greater insight into the data mining techniques. The book also provides many examples, review questions, multiple choice questions, chapter-end exercises and a good list of references and Web resources especially those which are easy to understand and useful for students. A number of class projects have also been included.

### CLEANING DATA FOR EFFECTIVE DATA SCIENCE

Guilford Publications

Best Practices in Exploratory Factor Analysis (EFA) is a practitioner-oriented look at this popular and often-misunderstood statistical technique. We avoid formulas and matrix algebra, instead focusing on evidence-based best practices so you can focus on getting the most from your data. Each chapter reviews important concepts, uses real-world data to provide authentic examples of analyses, and provides guidance for interpreting the results of these analyses. Not only does this book clarify often-confusing issues like various extraction techniques, what rotation is really rotating, and how to use parallel analysis and MAP criteria to decide how many factors you have, but it also introduces replication statistics and bootstrap analysis so that you can better understand how precisely your data are helping you estimate population parameters. Bootstrap analysis also informs readers of your work as to the likelihood of replication, which can give you more credibility. At the end of each chapter, the author has recommendations as to how to enhance your mastery of the material, including access to the data sets used in the chapter through his web site. Other resources include syntax and macros for easily incorporating these progressive aspects of exploratory factor analysis into your practice. The web site will also include enrichment activities, answer keys to select exercises, and other resources. The fourth "best practices" book by the author, Best Practices in Exploratory Factor Analysis continues the tradition of clearly-written, accessible guides for those just learning quantitative methods or for those who have been researching for decades. NEW in August 2014! Chapters on factor scores, higher-order factor analysis, and reliability. Chapters: 1 INTRODUCTION TO EXPLORATORY FACTOR ANALYSIS 2 EXTRACTION AND ROTATION 3 SAMPLE SIZE MATTERS 4 REPLICATION STATISTICS IN EFA 5 BOOTSTRAP APPLICATIONS IN EFA 6 DATA CLEANING AND EFA 7 ARE FACTOR SCORES A GOOD IDEA? 8 HIGHER ORDER FACTORS 9 AFTER THE EFA: INTERNAL CONSISTENCY 10 SUMMARY AND

### CONCLUSIONS

**Import, Tidy, Transform, Visualize, and Model Data** Jones & Bartlett Learning

Data use in the library has specific characteristics and common problems. Data Clean-up and Management addresses these, and provides methods to clean up frequently-occurring data problems using readily-available applications. The authors highlight the importance and methods of data analysis and presentation, and offer guidelines and recommendations for a data quality policy. The book gives step-by-step how-to directions for common dirty data issues. Focused towards libraries and practicing librarians Deals with practical, real-life issues and addresses common problems that all libraries face Offers cradle-to-grave treatment for preparing and using data, including download, clean-up, management, analysis and presentation

**A Practical Guide for Librarians** Rowman & Littlefield Publishers

Games Data Science delivers an excellent introduction to this new domain and provides the definitive guide to methods and practices of computer science, analytics, and data science as applied to video games.

*Cody's Data Cleaning Techniques Using SAS, Third Edition* John Wiley & Sons

Doing data science is difficult. Projects are typically very dynamic with requirements that change as data understanding grows. The data itself arrives piecemeal, is added to, replaced, contains undiscovered flaws and comes from a variety of sources. Teams also have mixed skill sets and tooling is often limited. Despite these disruptions, a data science team must get off the ground fast and begin demonstrating value with traceable, tested work products. This is when you need Guerrilla Analytics. In this book, you will learn about: The Guerrilla Analytics Principles: simple rules of thumb for maintaining data provenance across the entire analytics life cycle from data extraction, through analysis to reporting. Reproducible, traceable analytics: how to design and implement work products that are reproducible, testable and stand up to external scrutiny. Practice tips and war stories: 90 practice tips and 16 war stories based on real-world project challenges encountered in consulting, pre-sales and research. Preparing for battle: how to set up your team's analytics environment in terms of tooling, skill sets, workflows and conventions. Data gymnastics: over a dozen analytics patterns that your team will encounter again and again in projects The Guerrilla Analytics Principles: simple rules of thumb for maintaining data provenance across the entire analytics life cycle from data extraction, through analysis to reporting Reproducible, traceable analytics: how to design and implement work products that are reproducible, testable and stand up to external scrutiny Practice tips and war stories: 90 practice tips and 16 war stories based on real-world project challenges encountered in consulting, pre-sales and research Preparing for battle: how to set up your team's analytics environment in terms of tooling, skill sets, workflows and conventions Data gymnastics: over a dozen analytics patterns that your team will encounter again and again in projects

### EYE TRACKING IN SECOND LANGUAGE ACQUISITION AND BILINGUALISM

SAGE Publications

If you are a data scientist of any level, beginners included, and interested in cleaning up your data, this is the book for you! Experience with Python or PHP is assumed, but no previous knowledge of data cleaning is needed.

**Modern techniques and Python tools to detect and remove dirty data and extract key insights** Springer

Development Research in Practice leads the reader through a complete empirical research project, providing links to continuously updated resources on the DIME Wiki as well as illustrative examples from the Demand for Safe Spaces study. The handbook is intended to train users of development data how to handle data effectively, efficiently, and ethically. "In the DIME Analytics Data Handbook, the DIME team has produced an extraordinary public good: a detailed, comprehensive, yet easy-to-read manual for how to manage a data-oriented research project from beginning to end. It offers everything from big-picture guidance on the determinants of high-quality empirical research, to specific practical guidance on how to implement specific workflows—and includes computer code! I think it will prove durably useful to a broad range of researchers in international development and beyond, and I learned new practices that I plan on adopting in my own research group.†? —Marshall Burke, Associate Professor, Department of Earth System Science, and Deputy Director, Center on Food Security and the Environment, Stanford University "Data are the essential ingredient in any research or evaluation project, yet there has been too little attention to standardized practices to ensure high-quality data collection, handling, documentation, and

exchange. Development Research in Practice: The DIME Analytics Data Handbook seeks to fill that gap with practical guidance and tools, grounded in ethics and efficiency, for data management at every stage in a research project. This excellent resource sets a new standard for the field and is an essential reference for all empirical researchers.†? —Ruth E. Levine, PhD, CEO, IDinsight

“Development Research in Practice: The DIME Analytics Data Handbook is an important resource and a must-read for all development economists, empirical social scientists, and public policy analysts. Based on decades of pioneering work at the World Bank on data collection, measurement, and analysis, the handbook provides valuable tools to allow research teams to more efficiently and transparently manage their work flows—yielding more credible analytical conclusions as a result.†? —Edward Miguel, Oxfam Professor in Environmental and Resource Economics and Faculty Director of the Center for Effective Global Action, University of California, Berkeley

“The DIME Analytics Data Handbook is a must-read for any data-driven researcher looking to create credible research outcomes and policy advice. By meticulously describing detailed steps, from project planning via ethical and responsible code and data practices to the publication of research papers and associated replication packages, the DIME handbook makes the complexities of transparent and credible research easier.†? —Lars Vilhuber, Data Editor, American Economic Association, and Executive Director, Labor Dynamics Institute, Cornell University

### EXPLORATORY DATA MINING AND DATA CLEANING

Frontiers E-books

Data in its raw state is rarely ready for productive analysis. This book not only teaches you data preparation, but also what questions you should ask of your data. It focuses on the thought processes necessary for successful data cleaning as much as on concise and precise code examples that express these thoughts.

[Best Practices in Exploratory Factor Analysis](#) Elsevier

Jason W. Osborne’s Best Practices in Logistic Regression provides students with an accessible, applied approach that communicates logistic regression in clear and concise terms. The book

effectively leverages readers’ basic intuitive understanding of simple and multiple regression to guide them into a sophisticated mastery of logistic regression. Osborne’s applied approach offers students and instructors a clear perspective, elucidated through practical and engaging tools that encourage student comprehension.

### THREATS, VULNERABILITIES, AND RESPONSES

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This two-volume set, LNCS 10987 and 10988, constitutes the thoroughly refereed proceedings of the Second International Joint Conference, APWeb-WAIM 2018, held in Macau, China in July 2018. The 40 full papers presented together with 30 short papers, 6 demonstration papers and 3 keynotes were carefully reviewed and selected from 168 submissions. The papers are organized around the following topics: Text Analysis, Social Networks, Recommender Systems, Information Retrieval, Machine Learning, Knowledge Graphs, Database and Web Applications, Data Streams, Data Mining and Application, Query Processing, Big Data and Blockchain.

### A DATA SCIENTIST’S GUIDE TO ACQUIRING, CLEANING, AND MANAGING DATA IN R

Oxford University Press

Many researchers jump from data collection directly into testing hypothesis without realizing these tests can go profoundly wrong without clean data. This book provides a clear, accessible, step-by-step process of important best practices in preparing for data collection, testing assumptions, and examining and cleaning data in order to decrease error rates and increase both the power and replicability of results. Jason W. Osborne, author of the handbook Best Practices in Quantitative Methods (SAGE, 2008) provides easily-implemented suggestions that are evidence-based and will motivate change in practice by empirically demonstrating—for each topic—the benefits of following best practices and the potential consequences of not following these guidelines.

### INTRODUCTION TO PYTHON PROGRAMMING FOR BUSINESS AND SOCIAL SCIENCE

### APPLICATIONS

SAGE

This User’s Guide is intended to support the design, implementation, analysis, interpretation, and quality evaluation of registries created to increase understanding of patient outcomes. For the purposes of this guide, a patient registry is an organized system that uses observational study methods to collect uniform data (clinical and other) to evaluate specified outcomes for a population defined by a particular disease, condition, or exposure, and that serves one or more predetermined scientific, clinical, or policy purposes. A registry database is a file (or files) derived from the registry. Although registries can serve many purposes, this guide focuses on registries created for one or more of the following purposes: to describe the natural history of disease, to determine clinical effectiveness or cost-effectiveness of health care products and services, to measure or monitor safety and harm, and/or to measure quality of care. Registries are classified according to how their populations are defined. For example, product registries include patients who have been exposed to biopharmaceutical products or medical devices. Health services registries consist of patients who have had a common procedure, clinical encounter, or hospitalization. Disease or condition registries are defined by patients having the same diagnosis, such as cystic fibrosis or heart failure. The User’s Guide was created by researchers affiliated with AHRQ’s Effective Health Care Program, particularly those who participated in AHRQ’s DEcIDE (Developing Evidence to Inform Decisions About Effectiveness) program. Chapters were subject to multiple internal and external independent reviews.

### QUANTITATIVE, QUALITATIVE, AND MIXED METHODS

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Written in Ron Cody’s signature informal, tutorial style, this book develops and demonstrates data cleaning programs and macros that you can use as written or modify which will make your job of data cleaning easier, faster, and more efficient. --

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