

Practical 4

Jumping Rivers

Data manipulation

Start by loading the data and importing the packages we will need for this practical.

```
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
import jrpyintroduction.datasets as dat
movies = dat.movies.load_data()
```

1. The data has a lot of missing values in, particularly for budgets.

We can remove them with

```
movies.dropna(inplace = True, subset=['budget'])
```

2. Calculate the average budget across all films.
3. Create a new column in your **DataFrame** that takes True or False, with True representing films that are more recent than 1970.
4. Use this new column to calculate the average budget for the older films and the newer films. Hint: See `.groupby()`
5. Calculate the average and standard deviations for lengths, budgets and ratings for the films in each year. Store all of the results in a single **DataFrame**.
6. The previous calculation gives a multi index **DataFrame**. Essentially a hierarchy of indices, have a look at `.head()` on the result of the previous question to see what I mean. You can extract specific sub indices with, for example, `x[('rating', 'mean')]` to get the mean column inside the length index.¹ Extract just the means from the previous result and store that answer.
7. To finish we will draw a plot with all 3 lines showing the averages evolving over time. To make the axes relevant, we will first scale all of our values to be on (0,1). Given a **DataFrame**, `y`, this could be achieved with

```
mins = y.min()
maxs = y.max()
rescaled = (1/(maxs-mins))*(y-maxs) + 1
```

8. Use `rescaled.plot()` to draw all 3 lines together. Is there anything interesting?

¹ Specifically here we are passing a tuple of indices.