



DS 100 – Intro to Data Science

Lecture 8– Pivot, Joins, Comparison

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Announcements

Lab03 ([Functions & Visualizations](#)) due Friday

HW03 – Functions, Histograms, and Groups:

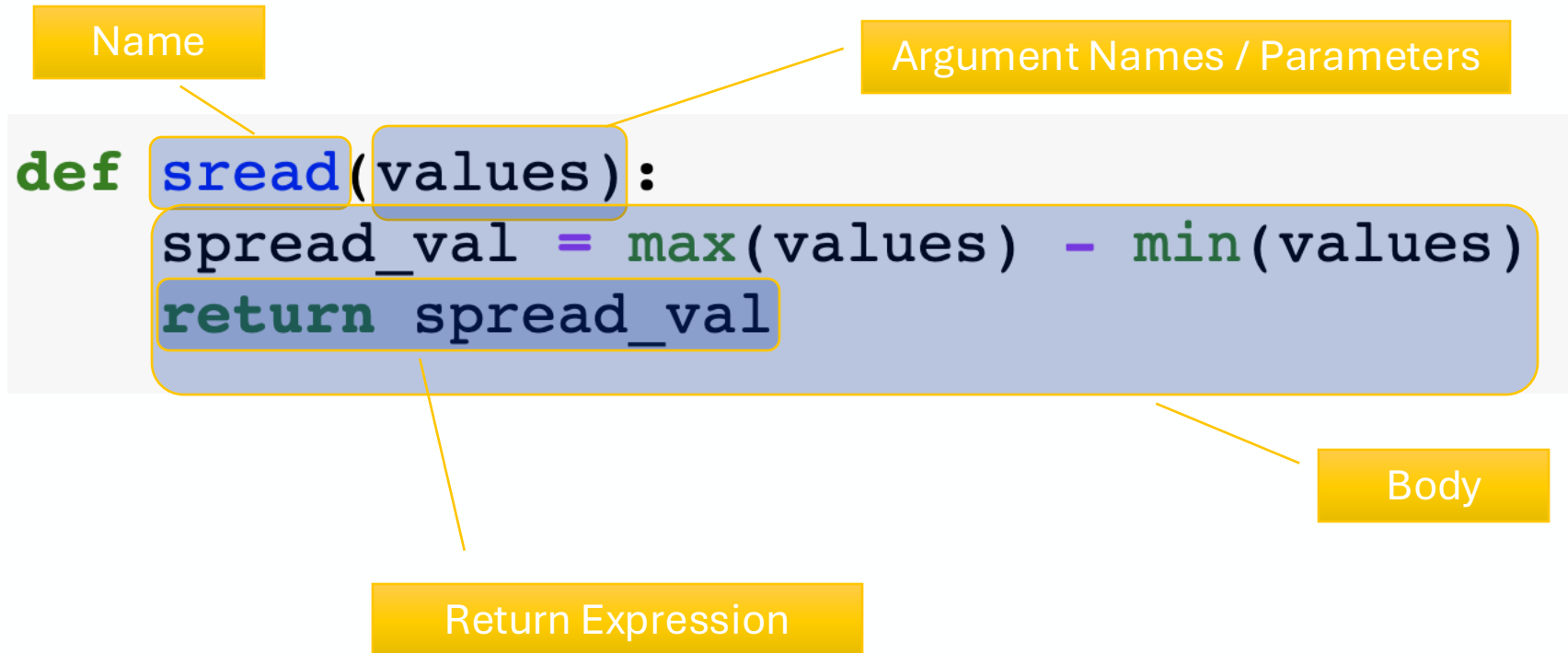
- Due Wednesday (02/19)

Checkpoint/Project 1:

- Paired assignment that covers the previous section of the course material
- Released today
- Due Wednesday 02/28



Example Function



Applying Functions to Columns

The `apply` method creates an array by calling a function on every element in input column(s)

- First argument: Function to apply
- Other arguments: The input column(s)

```
table_name.apply(function_name, 'column_label')
```



Grouping by One Column

The **group** method aggregates all rows with the same value for a column into a single row in the resulting table.

- First argument: Which column to group by
- Second argument: (Optional) How to combine values

len — number of grouped values (default)

list — list of all grouped values

sum — total of all grouped values



Lists as Generic Sequences

A list is a sequence of values (just like an array), but the values can all have different types

```
[2+3, 'four', Table().with_column('K', [3, 4])]
```

Lists can be used to create table rows.

If you create a table column from a list, it will be converted to an array automatically



Grouping by Multiple Columns

The **group** method can also aggregate all rows that share the combination of values in multiple columns

- First argument: A list of which columns to group by
- Second argument: (Optional) How to combine values



Pivot Example

```
sky = Table.read_table('skyscrapers_v2.csv')
```

name	material	city	height	age
One World Trade Center	mixed/composite	New York City	541.3	6
Willis Tower	steel	Chicago	442.14	46
432 Park Avenue	concrete	New York City	425.5	5

```
sky.pivot('material', 'city')
```


Pivot description

```
Tbl.pivot(col1, col2)
```

1. **string**: name of column whose unique values will make up columns of pivot table
2. **string**: name of column whose unique values will make up rows of pivot table

```
sky.pivot('material', 'city')
```



Pivot Example

sky.pivot('material', 'city')

name	material	city
Willis Tower	steel	Chicago
Trump International Hotel & Tower	concrete	Chicago
Aon Center	steel	Chicago
John Hancock Center	steel	Chicago
Bank of America Plaza	mixed/composite	Atlanta
U.S. Bank Tower	steel	Los Angeles
The Franklin - North Tower	mixed/composite	Chicago
JPMorgan Chase Tower	mixed/composite	Houston
Two Prudential Plaza	concrete	Chicago
Wells Fargo Plaza	steel	Houston



Pivot Example

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city	concrete	mixed/composite	steel
Atlanta			
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Pivot Example

sky.pivot('material', 'city')

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Austin			
Baltimore			
Boston			
Charlotte			
Chicago			1
Cincinnati			
Cleveland			
Columbus			

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Willis Tower	steel	Chicago
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Aon Center	steel	Chicago
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Cleveland			
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Pivot Tables

Cross-classifies according to two categorical variables

Produces a grid of counts or aggregated values

Two required arguments:

- **First:** variable that forms column labels of grid
- **Second:** variable that forms row labels of grid

Two optional arguments (include **both** or **neither**)

values=‘column_label_to_aggregate’

collect=function_to_aggregate_with



Group vs Pivot

Pivot

- One combo of grouping variables **per entry**
- **Two** grouping variables: columns and rows
- Aggregate values of **values column**
- Missing combos = **0** (or empty string)

Group

- One combo of grouping variables **per row**
- **Any number** of grouping variables
- Aggregate values of **all other columns** in table
- Missing combos **absent**

Joining Two Tables

```
tblA.join(colA, tblB, colB)
```

```
tblA.join(colA, tblB)
```



Table Review

`t.select(column, ...)` Or `t.drop(column, ...)`

`t.take([row, ...])` Or `t.exclude([row, ...])`

`t.sort(column, descending=False)`

`t.where(column, are.condition(...))`

`t.apply(function, column, ...)`

`t.group(column)` Or `t.group(column, function)`

`t.group([column, ...])` Or `t.group([column, ...], function)`

`t.pivot(cols, rows)` Or `t.pivot(cols, rows, vals, function)`

`t.join(column, other_table, other_table_column)`

<https://bmc-ds-100.github.io/python-reference.html>



Comparisons



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Comparison Operators

Operator	Table predicate
==	are.equal_to
!=	are.not_equal_to
>	are.above
>=	are.above_or_equal_to
<	are.below
<=	are.below_or_equal_to

The result of a comparison expression is a **bool** value:

True, False

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Statements



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$x > 1$

$x > y$

$y \geq 3$

$x == y$

$x \neq 2$

$2 < x < 5$

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Comparison
Expressions



Combining Comparisons

The result of a comparison expression is a **bool** value

$a = \text{True}$

$b = \text{False}$

not b

a or b

a and not b

a and b

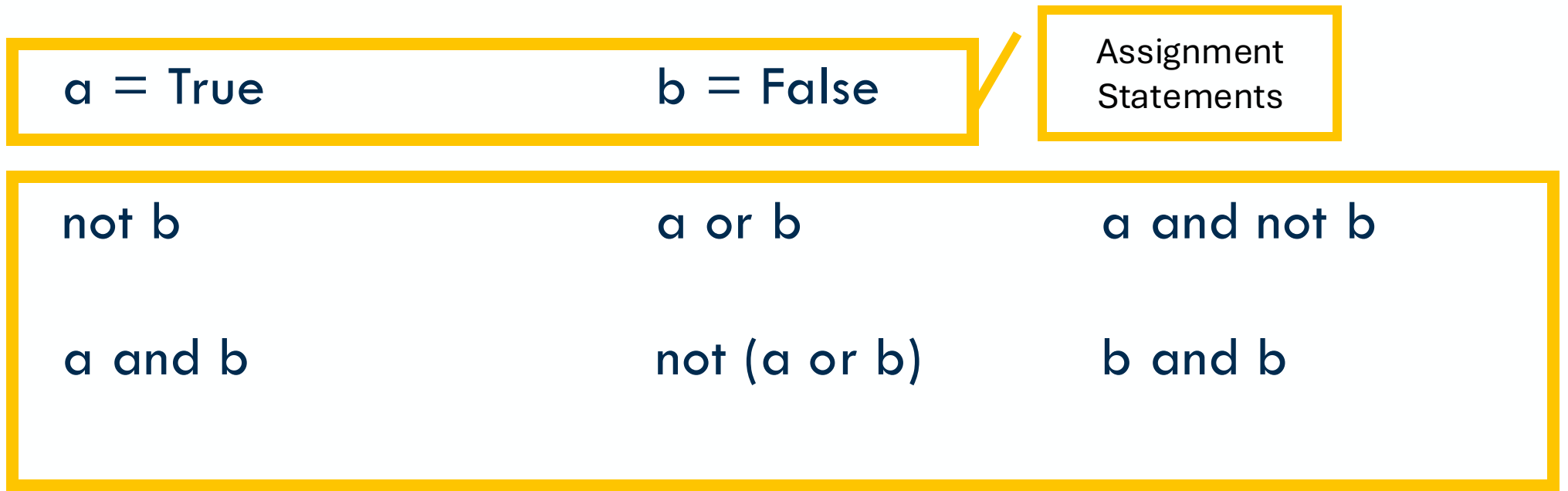
not (a or b)

b and b



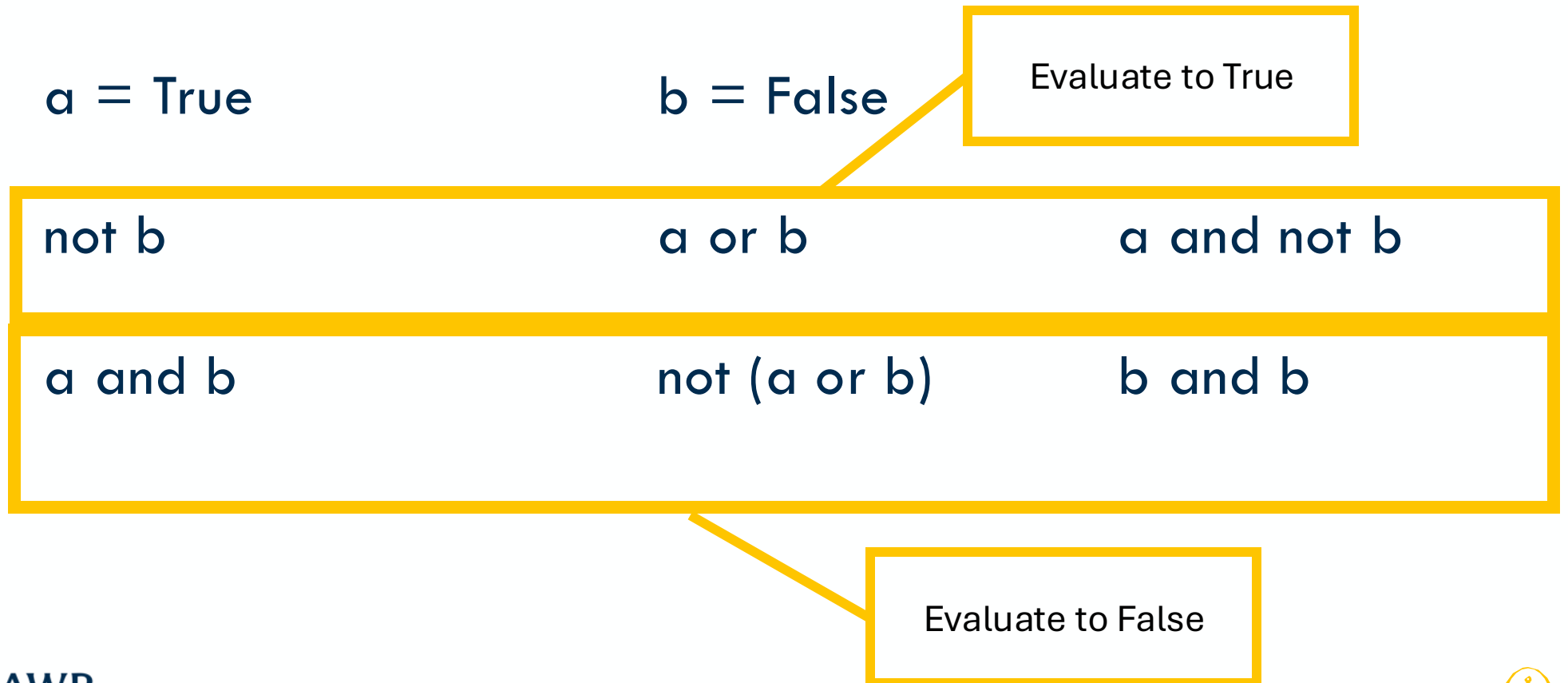
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Aggregating Comparisons

Summing an array or list of `bool` values count the number of `True` values

`1 + 0 + 1`

`True + False + True`

`sum([1, 0, 1])`

`sum([True, False, True])`



Control Statements



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Control Statements

These statements *control* the sequence of computations that are performed

The keywords **if** and **for** begin control statements

The purpose of **if** is to define functions that choose different behavior based on their arguments

Random Selection



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Random Selection

`np.random.choice`

- Selects at random
- With replacement
- From an array
- A specific number of times

`np.random.choice(some_array, sample_size)`



Appending Arrays



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A longer array

`np.append(array_1, value):`

- new array with value appended to array_1
- value has to be of the same type as elements of array_1

`np.append(array_1, array_2):`

- new array with array_2 appended to array_1
- Elements of array_2 have to be of the same type as elements of array_1

Iteration



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for statements

`for` is a keyword that begins a control statement

The purpose of `for` is to perform a computation for every element in a list or array