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Automating the Data Curation Workflow

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Abstract

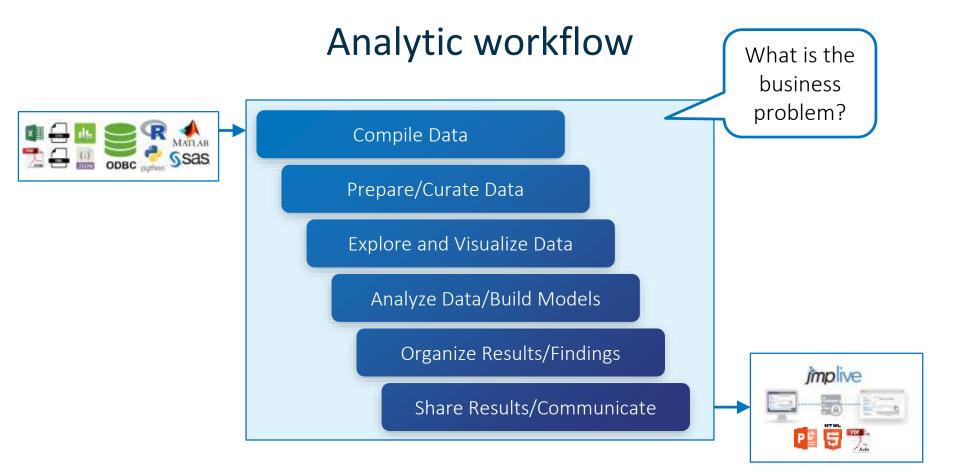
For most data analysis tasks, a lot of time is spent up front – importing data and preparing it for analysis. Because we often work with datasets that are regularly updated, automating our work using scripted repeatable workflows can be a real time saver. There are three general sections in an automation script: data import, data curation, and analysis/reporting. While the tasks in the first and third sections are relatively straightforward -point-and click to achieve the desired result, and capture the resulting script -- data curation can be more challenging for those just starting out with scripting. In this talk we review common data preparation activities, discuss the jsl code necessary to automate the process, and provide advice for generating jsl code for data curation via point-and-click.



Outline

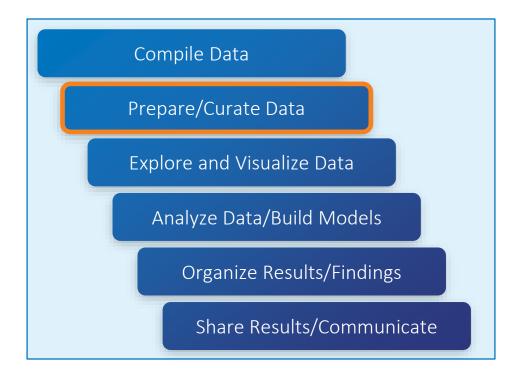
- Analytic Workflow
- What is Data Curation?
- The Need for Reproducibility
- How to in JMP 15
- Sneak Peak at JMP 16 Action Recording and the Enhanced Log mode







Analytic workflow



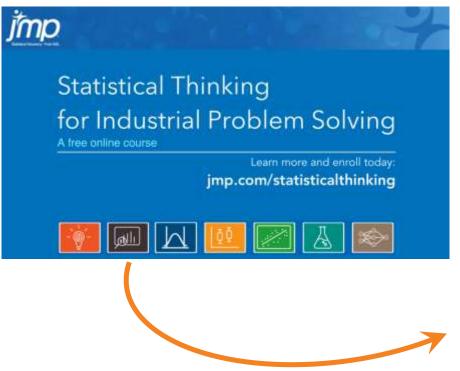


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- Largely about data organization and cleanup.
- Addresses these common issues:
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Module 2: Exploratory Data Analysis





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Data are in the wrong form or format for analysis:

- Data table as a whole
- Individual variables
- Cosmetic



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Lack of data

- On important variables
- On combinations of variables
- Not enough data (observations)



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Values for variables not available

- Missing completely at random
- Missing at random
- Missing not at random



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Issues with observations or variables

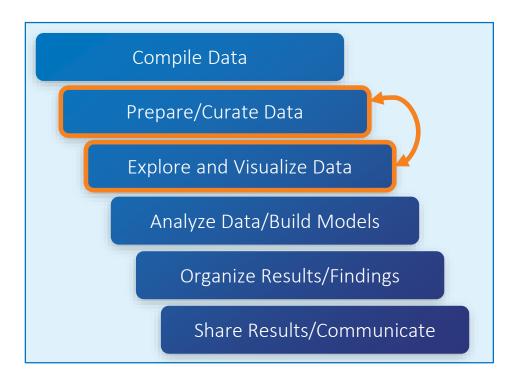
- Incorrect

- Outdated
- Inconsistencies Censored
- Inaccurate Truncated
- Errors, typos Redundant
- Obsolete

- Duplicated



How Do You Identify Potential Issues?



1. Scan the data table for obvious issues

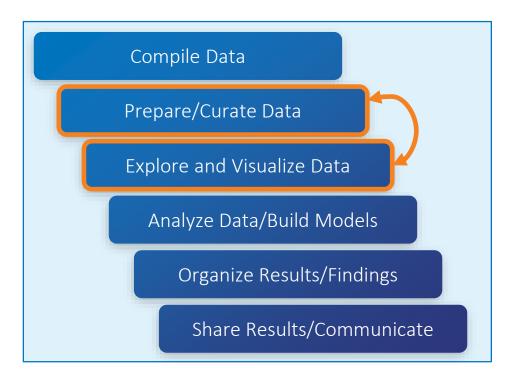


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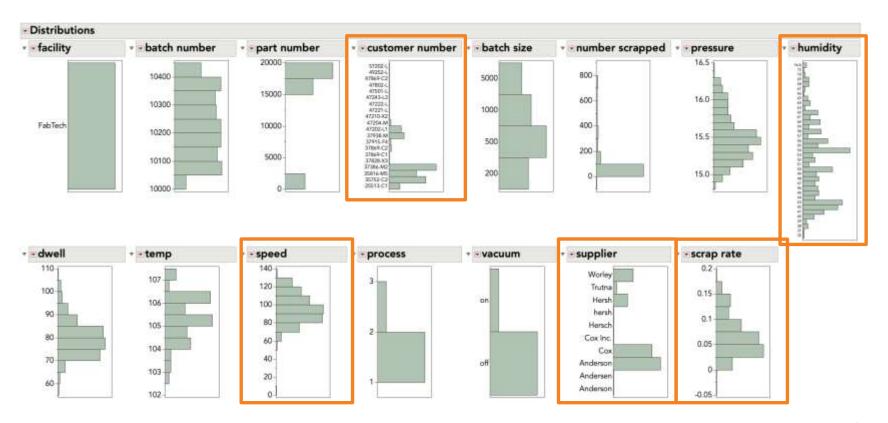


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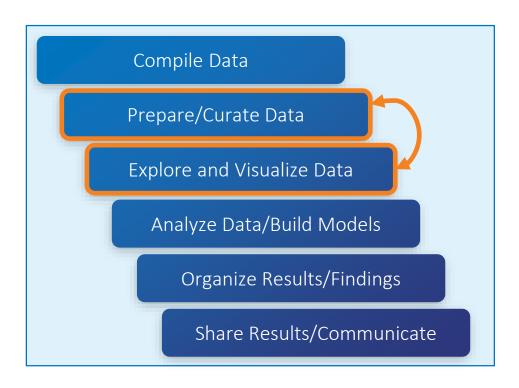


Distribution





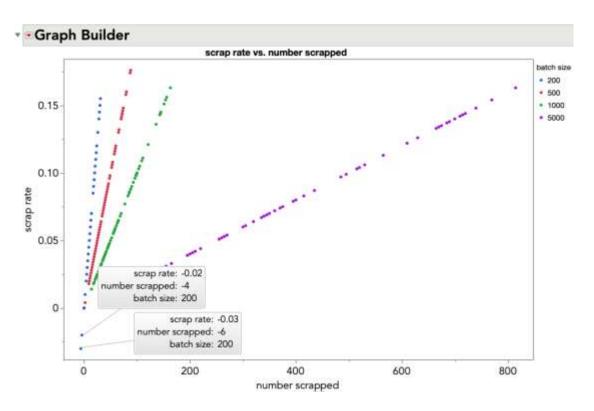
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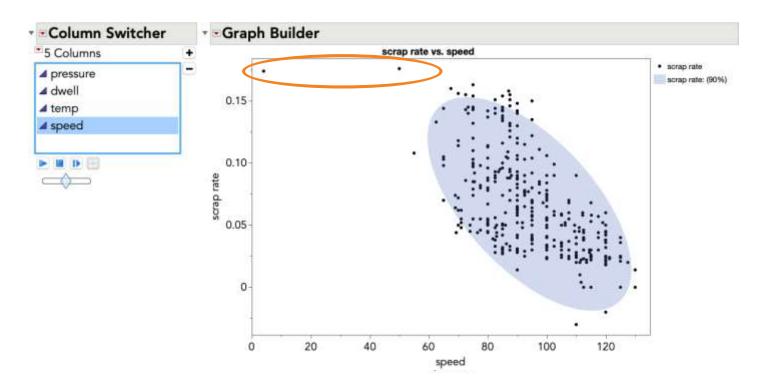


Graph Builder



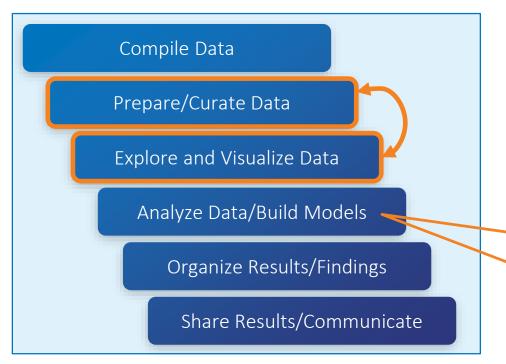


Graph Builder with Column Switcher





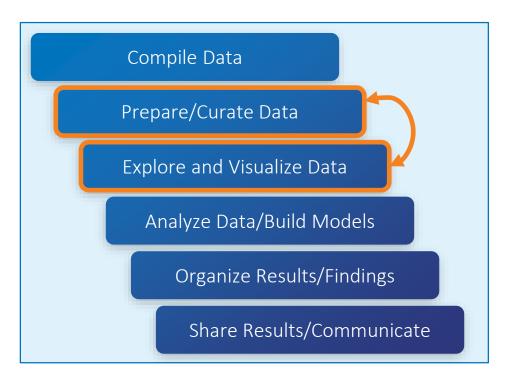
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 - More advanced tools (Explore Outliers/Missing)
 - You will identify more issues here.



How Do You Identify Potential Issues?



- 1. Scan the data table for obvious issues
- Explore data one variable at time
- 3. Explore data two or more variables at a time
- Make notes of issues
- Reshape/clean data as you go along
- Capture curation steps for reproducibility





The Need for Reproducibility

- Many data sets get updated regularly with new data
- The same data curation steps need to be performed after each update
- Rather than point-and-click for each update, it is more efficient to have a script that performs all the curation steps
- Curation scripts also document the process steps
- Goal: Show how to generate a reproducible data curation script by point-and-click



How do we obtain a script to address the issues we've identified, so we can reproduce as needed?

- For some curation tasks, JSL code can be generated directly by point-and-click in JMP 15:
 - Recode
 - New Formula Column
 - Stack, Split, Join, Concatenate, Update



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- Other tasks do not generate their own JSL code in JMP 15.
- The Data Cleaning Script Assistant Add-in helps with:
 - Changing Data Types, Modeling Types, and Column Formats
 - Rename, Reorder, and Delete Columns
 - Setting Column Properties, such as spec limits and value labels



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- New in JMP 16:
 - Action recording and enhanced log mode
 - The JSL code for most data curation activities will be generated and logged automatically



JMP 15 Cheat Sheet

Task	Point and Click Tool	Getting the script
Fix Character Data Values	Recode	Red Triangle
Reshape Data Tables	Stack, Split, Sort, Join, Concatenate, Update	Source Script
Subset Rows	Row Selection > Select Where ; Subset	Red Triangle ; Script Assistant > Subset Selected Rows
Transformations and other Derived Variables	Formula Editor or Create New Formula Column	Right Click > Copy Column
Reorder Columns	Data Table	Script Assistant > Victor
Delete Columns	Data Table	Script Assistant > Victor
Rename Variables	Column Info Window	Script Assistant > Victor
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Change Modeling Type	Column Info Window	Script Assistant > Victor
Change Display Format	Column Info Window	Script Assistant > Format Copier
Set Column Properties (Value Ordering et al.)	Column Info Window	Script Assistant > Property Copier



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Demo



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Summary

- Data curation begins with an exploratory and iterative approach to identifying problems
- Automation of the data curation workflow saves time and enables reproducibility
- For automation, the sequence of data operations is translated from pointand-click to a JSL script
- In JMP 15, use both built-in tools and the <u>Data Cleaning Script Assistant</u>
 Add-in to obtain the JSL script
- In JMP 16, curation scripts are captured automatically in the Enhanced Log



Thank you

