



PG Diploma in ML



Today's Agenda

- 1 Discussing the Premise of the Assignment
- 2 The objectives for the assignment
- 3 Pre-Modelling Steps
- 4 Analysis Steps and Checkpoints
- 5 Q&A

Pre-Modelling Steps: Data Exploration

- Data exploration
 - Loading data using encoding ISO-8859-1.
 Try using different encoding formats.
 - chardet library, functions like .encode() and .decode()
 - 2. Explore/understand data: .info(), .describe(), .head(), .tail(),.shape
 - 3. This will give you a sense of what type of dataset you are dealing with
 - 4. Unique Values check: Use of .unique() function

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Pre-Modelling Steps: Data Cleaning

- Data cleaning
 - 1. Redundant Columns: Use info from Data Exploration steps
 - 2. Null Value treatment: Decide if you need to drop null values or impute dummy data into them
 - 3. Checking out the distribution to impute mean, median or mode. Conversion to dummy variables
 - Check for data consistency to avoid running into issues while merging especially.
 Conversion to correct format for string and date type. Example: convert to lowercase

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- Aggregation of data.
 - Use .mean(), .median() type of functions to extract the best average metric for the purpose
 - Mean vs Median example
 - Join Operation to combine dataset from different data frames
 - Example: outer join, inner join, left join, right join
 - Avoiding use of loops while writing code

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