

phase1_data_loading.R

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# phase 1: data loading, cleaning, and initial validation
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# loading FDA CDER dataset, validating structure, cleaning data,
# creating response and blocking variables

# sourcing configuration and utilities
source("config.R")
source("utils.R")

# loading required libraries
suppressPackageStartupMessages({
  library(dplyr)
  library(readr)
  library(lubridate)
})

print_section_header("Phase 1: Data Loading, Cleaning, and Initial Validation")
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# 1. loading FDA CDER dataset
fda_data = load_csv(RAW_DATA_FILE)

cat(paste("Loaded", nrow(fda_data), "records from FDA CDER dataset\n"))
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## Loaded 1341 records from FDA CDER dataset
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cat("Columns:", paste(names(fda_data), collapse = ", "), "\n")
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## Columns: Proprietary Name, Active Ingredient/Moiety, Applicant, NDA/BLA, Application Number(1), App
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```
# 2. validating data structure
missing_cols = setdiff(REQUIRED_COLUMNS, names(fda_data))
if (length(missing_cols) > 0) {
  stop(paste("Missing required columns:", paste(missing_cols, collapse = ", ")))
}

cat("All required columns present\n")
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## All required columns present
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```
cat("Date column types:\n  FDA Receipt Date:", class(fda_data$`FDA Receipt Date`),  
    "\n  FDA Approval Date:", class(fda_data$`FDA Approval Date`), "\n")
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## Date column types:  
##   FDA Receipt Date: character  
##   FDA Approval Date: character
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```
# 3. parsing date columns
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```
fda_data = fda_data %>%  
  mutate(  
    receipt_date = mdy(`FDA Receipt Date`),  
    approval_date = mdy(`FDA Approval Date`)  
  )
```

```
invalid_receipt = sum(is.na(fda_data$receipt_date))  
invalid_approval = sum(is.na(fda_data$approval_date))
```

```
cat("Date parsing complete\nInvalid receipt dates:", invalid_receipt,  
    "\nInvalid approval dates:", invalid_approval, "\n")
```

```
## Date parsing complete  
## Invalid receipt dates: 0  
## Invalid approval dates: 0
```

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# 4. filtering implausible values
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```
initial_n = nrow(fda_data)
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fda_data = fda_data %>%  
  mutate(review_time_days = as.numeric(approval_date - receipt_date))
```

```
implausible_negative = sum(fda_data$review_time_days < MIN_REVIEW_TIME_DAYS, na.rm = TRUE)  
implausible_long = sum(fda_data$review_time_days > MAX_REVIEW_TIME_DAYS, na.rm = TRUE)
```

```
fda_data = fda_data %>%  
  filter(  
    review_time_days >= MIN_REVIEW_TIME_DAYS,  
    review_time_days <= MAX_REVIEW_TIME_DAYS  
  )
```

```
final_n = nrow(fda_data)
```

```
cat("Initial records:", initial_n, "\nImplausible records removed:", initial_n - final_n,  
    "\n  - Negative review times:", implausible_negative,  
    "\n  - Review times >3650 days:", implausible_long,  
    "\nFinal clean records:", final_n, "\n")
```

```
## Initial records: 1341  
## Implausible records removed: 6  
##   - Negative review times: 0  
##   - Review times >3650 days: 6  
## Final clean records: 1335
```

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# 5. creating response variables
fda_data = fda_data %>%
  mutate(log_review_time_days = log(review_time_days))

cat(paste("Created review_time_days:", sum(!is.na(fda_data$review_time_days)), "observations\n"))

## Created review_time_days: 1335 observations

cat(paste("Range:", round(min(fda_data$review_time_days, na.rm = TRUE)),
  "to", round(max(fda_data$review_time_days, na.rm = TRUE)), "days\n"))

## Range: 18 to 3497 days

cat(paste("Mean:", round(mean(fda_data$review_time_days, na.rm = TRUE), 1), "days\n"))

## Mean: 545.9 days

cat("Created log_review_time_days for scale-dependency testing\n")

## Created log_review_time_days for scale-dependency testing

# 6. creating blocking variable (regulatory era)
fda_data = fda_data %>%
  mutate(regulatory_era = assign_regulatory_era(`Approval Year`))

cat(paste("Created regulatory_era blocking variable:", sum(!is.na(fda_data$regulatory_era)), "observations\n"))

## Created regulatory_era blocking variable: 1335 observations

cat("Era distribution:\n")

## Era distribution:

print(table(fda_data$regulatory_era))

##
## Early-PDUFA    Mid-PDUFA Post-FDASIA    Pre-PDUFA
##           336           262           530           207

# 7. generating descriptive statistics
cat(paste("\nTotal observations:", nrow(fda_data), "\n"))

##
## Total observations: 1335

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cat("Date ranges:\n")
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## Date ranges:
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```
cat(paste(" Receipt:", min(fda_data$receipt_date, na.rm = TRUE), "to",  
          max(fda_data$receipt_date, na.rm = TRUE), "\n"))
```

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## Receipt: 1978-10-23 to 2024-05-02
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```
cat(paste(" Approval:", min(fda_data$approval_date, na.rm = TRUE), "to",  
          max(fda_data$approval_date, na.rm = TRUE), "\n"))
```

```
## Approval: 1985-04-09 to 2024-12-20
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```
cat(paste(" Years:", min(fda_data$`Approval Year`, na.rm = TRUE), "-",  
          max(fda_data$`Approval Year`, na.rm = TRUE), "\n"))
```

```
## Years: 1985 - 2024
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# 8. summary statistics for created variables
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cat("\nSummary statistics for all created variables\n")
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## Summary statistics for all created variables
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```
cat("review_time_days (response variable):\n")
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```
## review_time_days (response variable):
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```
review_summary = summary(fda_data$review_time_days)  
for (i in 1:length(review_summary)) {  
  cat(sprintf("%10s: %10.2f\n", names(review_summary)[i], review_summary[i]))  
}
```

```
##      Min.:      18.00
```

```
##    1st Qu.:     243.00
```

```
##     Median:     364.00
```

```
##      Mean:     545.95
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##    3rd Qu.:     699.50
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##      Max.:    3497.00
```

```
cat("log_review_time_days (log-transformed response):\n")
```

```
## log_review_time_days (log-transformed response):
```

```
log_summary = summary(fda_data$log_review_time_days)
for (i in 1:length(log_summary)) {
  cat(sprintf("%10s: %10.2f\n", names(log_summary)[i], log_summary[i]))
}
```

```
##      Min.:      2.89
##    1st Qu.:      5.49
##      Median:      5.90
##       Mean:      6.03
##    3rd Qu.:      6.55
##      Max.:      8.16
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cat("regulatory_era (blocking variable):\n")
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```
## regulatory_era (blocking variable):
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```
era_counts = table(fda_data$regulatory_era)
for (era in names(era_counts)) {
  cat(sprintf(" %15s: %4d observations\n", era, era_counts[era]))
}
```

```
##      Early-PDUFA: 336 observations
##      Mid-PDUFA:  262 observations
##      Post-FDASIA: 530 observations
##      Pre-PDUFA:  207 observations
```

```
# 9. validating temporal trends
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```
era_means = fda_data %>%
  group_by(regulatory_era) %>%
  summarise(mean_review_time = mean(review_time_days, na.rm = TRUE), .groups = "drop")

cat("\nMean review time by regulatory era:\n")
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##
## Mean review time by regulatory era:
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```
print(era_means)
```

```
## # A tibble: 4 x 2
##   regulatory_era mean_review_time
##   <chr>          <dbl>
## 1 Early-PDUFA      600.
## 2 Mid-PDUFA        469.
## 3 Post-FDASIA     384.
## 4 Pre-PDUFA       970.
```

```
cat("Validation:\n")
```

```
## Validation:
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```
cat(paste("Pre-PDUFA:", round(era_means$mean_review_time[era_means$regulatory_era == "Pre-PDUFA"], 1),
        "days (expected ~970 days)\n"))
```

```
## Pre-PDUFA: 969.8 days (expected ~970 days)
```

```
cat(paste("Post-FDASIA:", round(era_means$mean_review_time[era_means$regulatory_era == "Post-FDASIA"],
        "days (expected <400 days)\n"))
```

```
## Post-FDASIA: 383.9 days (expected <400 days)
```

```
temporal_valid = era_means$mean_review_time[era_means$regulatory_era == "Pre-PDUFA"] >
        era_means$mean_review_time[era_means$regulatory_era == "Post-FDASIA"]
cat(paste("Temporal trend confirmed:", temporal_valid, "\n"))
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## Temporal trend confirmed: TRUE
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# 10. FDA CDER dataset validation report
cat("\nDataset summary\n")
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## Dataset summary
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cat(paste("    Total records after cleaning:", final_n, "\n"))
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##    Total records after cleaning: 1335
```

```
cat(paste("    Original records:", initial_n, "\n"))
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##    Original records: 1341
```

```
cat(paste("    Records removed:", initial_n - final_n, "(implausible review times)\n"))
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```
##    Records removed: 6 (implausible review times)
```

```
cat("Date ranges\n")
```

```
## Date ranges
```

```
cat(paste("    FDA Receipt Date:", min(fda_data$receipt_date, na.rm = TRUE), "to",
        max(fda_data$receipt_date, na.rm = TRUE), "\n"))
```

```
##    FDA Receipt Date: 1978-10-23 to 2024-05-02
```

```
cat(paste("    FDA Approval Date:", min(fda_data$approval_date, na.rm = TRUE), "to",
        max(fda_data$approval_date, na.rm = TRUE), "\n"))
```

```
##    FDA Approval Date: 1985-04-09 to 2024-12-20
```

```
cat(paste("    Approval Years:", min(fda_data$`Approval Year`, na.rm = TRUE), "-",
      max(fda_data$`Approval Year`, na.rm = TRUE), "\n"))
```

```
##    Approval Years: 1985 - 2024
```

```
cat("Data completeness rates (% non-null)\n")
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```
## Data completeness rates (% non-null)
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```
for (col in REQUIRED_COLUMNS) {
  completeness = (1 - sum(is.na(fda_data[[col]])) / nrow(fda_data)) * 100
  cat(sprintf("    %s: %.1f%%\n", col, completeness))
}
```

```
##    FDA Receipt Date: 100.0%
##    FDA Approval Date: 100.0%
##    Review Designation: 100.0%
##    Abbreviated Indication(s): 49.4%
##    Orphan Drug Designation: 100.0%
##    Accelerated Approval: 100.0%
##    Breakthrough Therapy Designation: 100.0%
##    Fast Track Designation: 100.0%
##    Qualified Infectious Disease Product: 100.0%
##    Approval Year: 100.0%
```

```
cat("Data quality issues identified\n")
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```
## Data quality issues identified
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```
cat(paste("    •", initial_n - final_n, "records removed with review times >3650 days (biologically impl.",
```

```
##    • 6 records removed with review times >3650 days (biologically implausible)
```

```
cat("    • All date fields successfully parsed\n")
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```
##    • All date fields successfully parsed
```

```
cat("Validation complete - dataset ready for analysis\n")
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```
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```
save_csv(fda_data, CLEAN_DATA_FILE)
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## saving results to: /Users/abdulbasir/Downloads/Experimental AI/fda-oncology-approval-analysis/results/
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cat("\nPhase 1 complete\n")
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