DATA CURATION PROJECT

ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATIONS

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Agenda:

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Objective

- The primary objective of this project is to harness the power of data curation techniques, specifically focusing on data cleaning and transformation processes.
- Through meticulous data curation, our aim is to refine and cleanse the dataset, ensuring its accuracy and reliability.
- By employing various data cleaning methods and transformative approaches, we intend to enhance the overall quality of the dataset.

Dataset Introduction:

Data source: Electric Vehicle Charging Stations

https://afdc.energy.gov/fuels/electricity_locations.html#/analyze?fuel=ELEC

Data source metadata:

https://afdc.energy.gov/data_download/alt_fuel_stations_format

	Original Dataset	Modified Dataset		
Attributes	74	32		
Size	22.7MB	568 KB		
Data Format	CSV	CSV		

Column reduction due to:

- Deprecated columns as per metadata
- No curation tasks in the removed columns
- Many null/blank values

Data Quality Overview:

- Data quality relates to its accuracy, completeness, consistency, and validity.
 Identifying data quality issues and correcting them, we would need data that is ideal for use.
- Data quality issues arises due to following factors:

- Inaccurate Data - Incomplete Data - Duplicate Data

Inconsistent Data
 Unstructured Data
 Irrelevant Data

• We have identified such problems in our source dataset which we will discuss in further slides.

Framework used in Data Curation Process:

- We have used framework in data curation that uses a wide range of activities and processes done to create, manage, maintain, validate and showcase.
- Process Diagram :



Tools used for Problem Identification and Curation

Identification:

- 1. Microsoft Excel Spreadsheet
- 2. Vizier visualization

Curation:

- 1. Vizier Tool
- 2. Jupyter Notebook
- 3. Python Libraries:
- Pandas Pandas is a Python library for data analysis and data manipulation. It offers data structures and operations for manipulating numerical tables and time series.
- Re Regex library for performing regular expression related operations over data.

Data Cleaning and Transformation Tasks:

1. Handling Missing Values:

- Imputed missing values in numeric columns ('EV DC Fast Count').
- Filled categorical columns with appropriate defaults ('EV_Network,' 'Provider,' 'Owner_Type_Code,' etc.).

2. Column Renaming:

Renamed 'EV_Network_Web' to 'Provider'.

3. Regex Pattern Matching:

Categorized 'Groups_With_Access_Code' values as 'Public' or 'Private' using regex patterns.

4. Time Information:

Modified 'Access_Days_Time,' categorized as "24 hours daily" or "Less than 24 hours"

5. Credit Card Information:

• Transformed 'Cards Accepted' into binary columns ('Credit,' 'Debit,' 'Cash,' 'No Payment Info').

6. Special Character Removal:

Removed special characters from 'Station_Name'

7. Value Replacement:

• Replaced specific values like 'NAME?' with 'NIU' in 'Station_Name' and null values with 'Not Available' in 'Station Phone'

8. Handling Multiple Phone Numbers:

Retained the first phone number if multiple in 'Station_Phone'

9. Filling Missing Phone Numbers:

Replaced missing phone numbers in 'Station Phone' with 'Not Available'

Challenges during data curation:

Data Quality Issues:

- 1. Incomplete or missing data.
- 2. Inconsistent data formats.
- 3. Data inaccuracies or errors.

Data Heterogeneity:

-Dealing with diverse data types and formats.

Metadata Complexity:

- 1. Developing and managing comprehensive metadata.
- 2. Ensuring consistency in metadata across datasets.

• External Dependencies:

-Managing changes or disruptions in external data such as deprecations of columns.

Solutions to data curation problems:

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In [14]:
          1 import pandas as pd
          2 df = pd.read csv('Cleaned Dataset.csv')
          3 # Replace missing values in 'EV_DC_Fast_Count' column with 0
          4 df['EV DC Fast Count'] = df['EV DC Fast Count'].fillna(0)
          5 #df.to csv('Cleaned Dataset.csv', index=False)
In [15]:
          1 import re
          2 import numpy as np
          3 df['EV Network'] = df['EV Network'].fillna('Non-Networked')
          4 df=df.rename(columns={'EV Network Web': 'Provider'})
          5 df['Provider']=df['Provider'].fillna('Not Applicable')
          6 df['Owner Type Code']=df['Owner Type Code'].fillna('Unknown')
          7 df['LPG Primary']= df['LPG Primary'].fillna('FALSE')
          8 df['E85_Blender_Pump']= df['E85_Blender Pump'].fillna('FALSE')
          9 df['EV Connector Types']= df['EV Connector Types'].fillna('NA')
          10 df['Access Detail Code']= df['Access Detail Code'].fillna('CALL')
          11 df['CNG Dispenser Num']=df['CNG Dispenser Num'].fillna(0)
          12 df['Restricted Access']=df['Restricted Access'].fillna('TRUE')
          13 df['EV Workplace Charging']=df['EV Workplace Charging'].fillna('FALSE')
          14 df['Facility Type']=df['Facility Type'].fillna('OTHER')
          15
          16 # Define regex patterns for Public and Private for Groups With Access Code Column
          17 public pattern = re.compile(r'\bpublic\b', flags=re.IGNORECASE)
          18 private pattern = re.compile(r'\bprivate\b', flags=re.IGNORECASE)
          19 # Applying regex patterns to categorize values as Public and Private
          20 df['Groups_With_Access_Code'] = df['Groups_With_Access_Code'].apply(lambda x: 'Public' if public_pattern.search(x) else 'Pri
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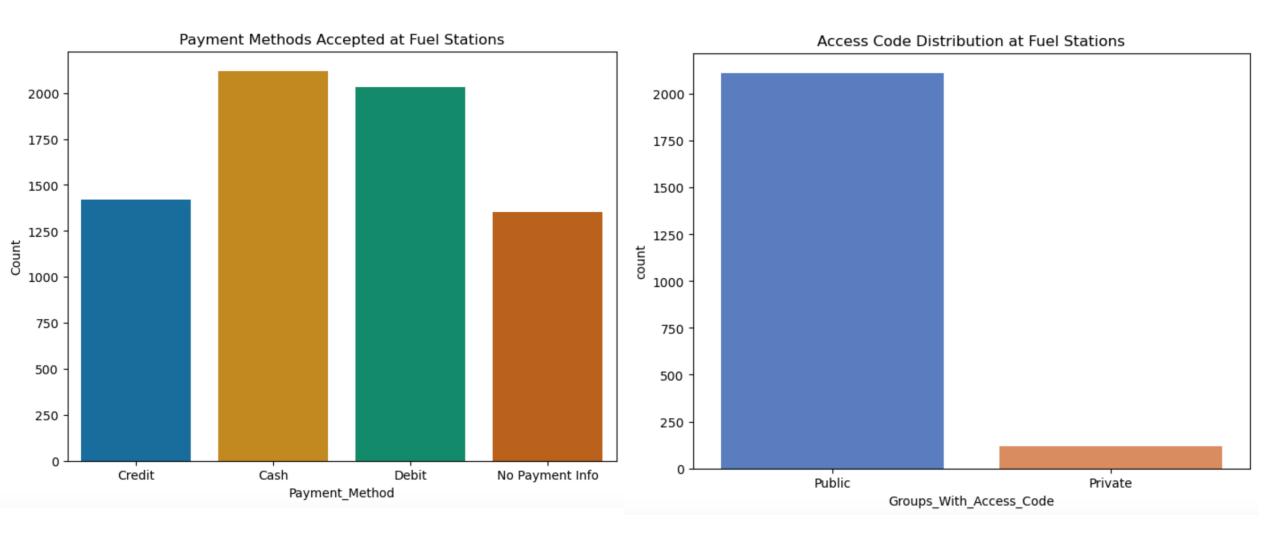
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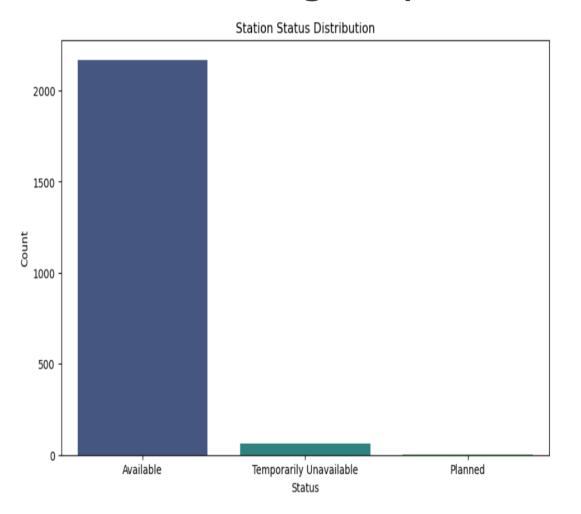
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22 df["Access Days Time"] = df["Access Days Time"].fillna("NULL")
            df["Access Days Time"] = np.where(df["Access Days Time"].str.contains("24 hours daily"), "24 hours daily", "Less than 24
            24
            25 #Cards Accepted column transformation into 4 columns i.e. Credit, Debit, Cash, No Payment Info
            26 df["Credit"] = np.where(df["Cards Accepted"].str.contains("CREDIT"), 1, 0)
            27 df["Cash"] = np.where(df["Cards Accepted"].str.contains("Cash"), 1, 0)
            28 df["Debit"] = np.where(df["Cards Accepted"].str.contains("Debit"), 1, 0)
            29 df["No Payment Info"] = np.where(df["Cards Accepted"].isna(), 1, 0)
            30 df=df.drop("Cards Accepted", axis=1)
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            32 #Removing the Special Character from Station Name
            33 df['Station Name'] = df['Station Name'].apply(lambda x: re.sub(r'^[^a-zA-Z0-9]+', '', x))
            34 # Replace 'Name?' with 'NIU' if present
            35 df['Station Name'] = df['Station Name'].replace('NAME?', 'NIU')
[n [21]: ▶ 1 # Filling missing values in Station Phone column with 'Not Available'
             2 df['Station Phone'] = df['Station Phone'].fillna('Not Available')
             3 # If there are multiple phone numbers, choose one (here we are choosing the first one)
             4 df['Station Phone'] = df['Station Phone'].apply(lambda x: x.split()[0] if ' ' in str(x) else x)
             5 # Replace 'Not' with 'Not Available' in the 'Station Phone' column
             6 df['Station Phone'] = df['Station Phone'].replace('Not', 'Not Available')
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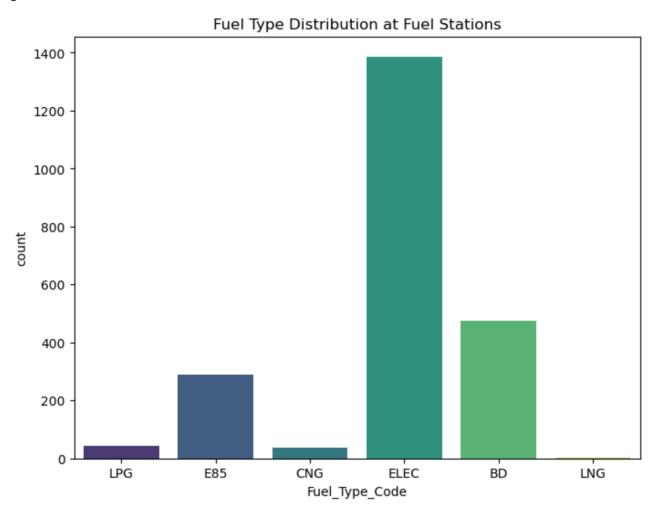
Results and Insights:

Cleaned and transformed Data Results

	Fuel_Type_Code	Station_Name	Street_Address	City	ZIP	Station_Phone	Status_Code	Groups_With_Access_Code	Access_Days_Time
0	LPG	Ferrellgas	10522 N 2nd St	Machesney Park	61115	815-877-7333	E	Public	Less than 24 hours
1	LPG	U-Haul	1560 Mount Prospect Rd	Des Plaines	60018	847-298-1170	E	Public	Less than 24 hours
2	LPG	U-Haul	2915 W 159th St	Markham	60428	708-333-7840	Е	Public	Less than 24 hours
3	LPG	U-Haul	4650 W 95th St	Oak Lawn	60453	708-422-2332	Е	Public	Less than 24 hours
4	LPG	U-Haul	1700 N Cicero Ave	Chicago	60639	773-889-8194	E	Public	Less than 24 hours
5	LPG	U-Haul	4301 N Cicero Ave	Chicago	60641	773-286-4507	E	Public	Less than 24 hours
6	LPG	U-Haul	1650 E 71st St	Chicago	60649	773-493-1206 708-389-0852	E	Public	Less than 24 hours
7	LPG	U-Haul	5027 W Cermak Rd	Cicero	60804	708-656-8890	E	Public	Less than 24 hours
8	LPG	U-Haul	306 E University Ave	Champaign	61820	217-351-7040	E	Public	Less than 24 hours
9	LPG	U-Haul	410 N Bruns Ln	Springfield	62702	217-546-2730	Е	Public	Less than 24 hours
10	E85	Citgo	4070 N Clark St	Chicago	60613	773-528-3040	Е	Public	24 hours daily



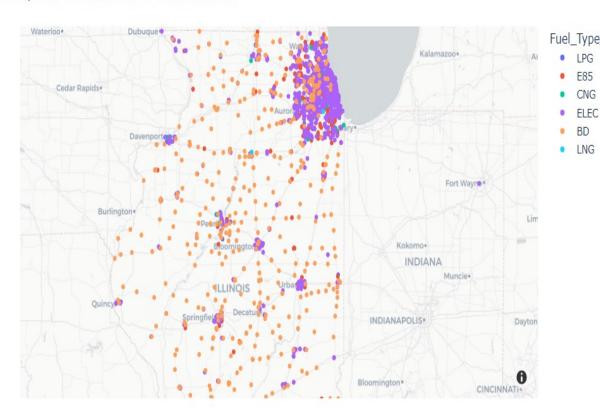


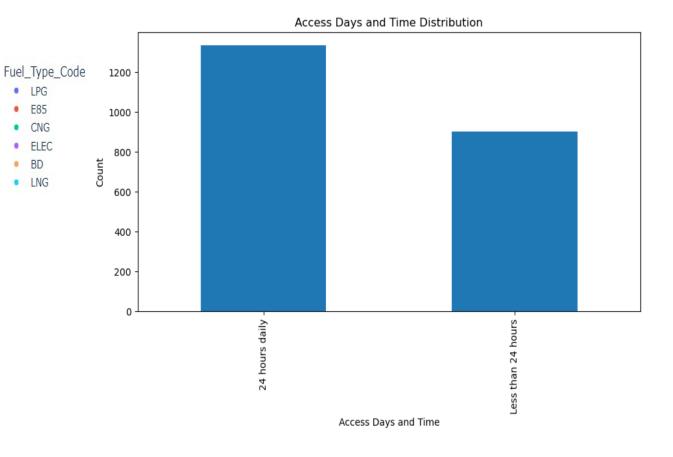


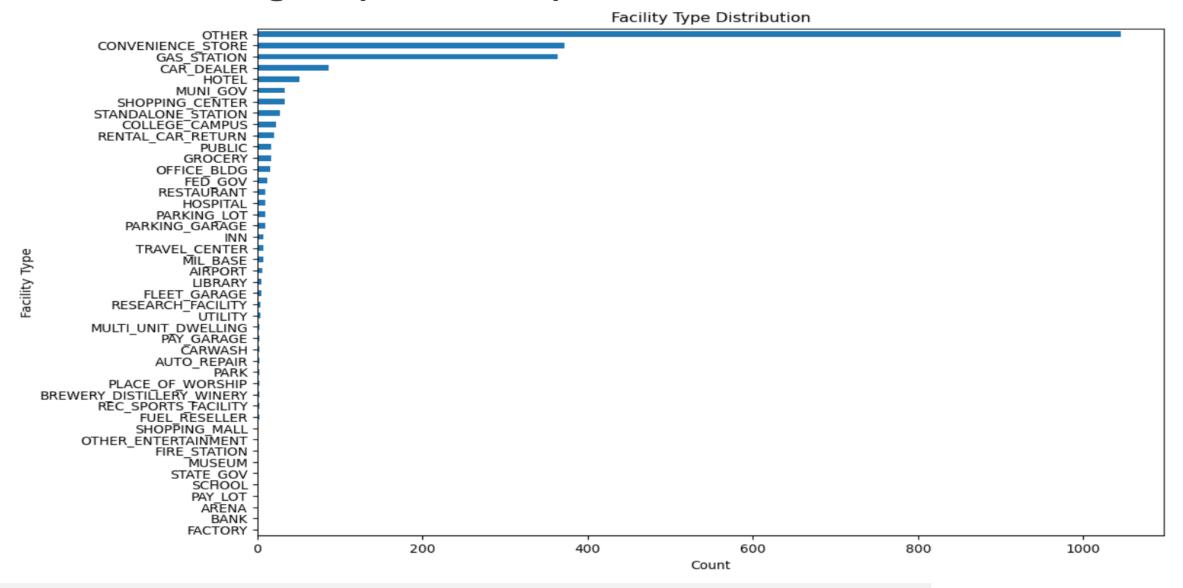
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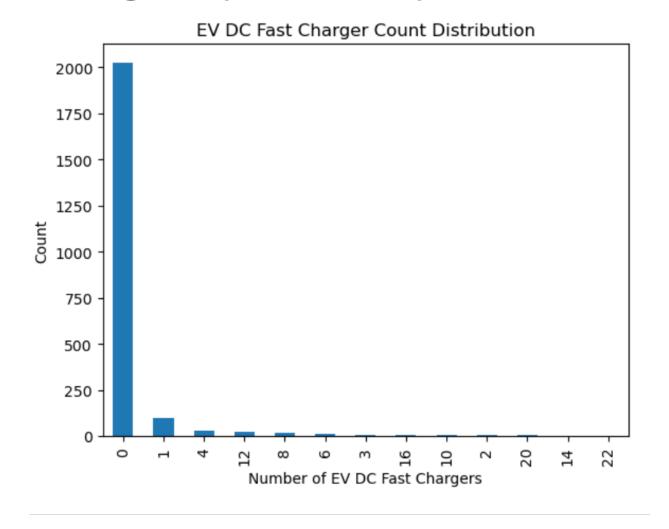
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Conclusion:

The data cleaning and transformation efforts have successfully prepared the dataset for meaningful analysis.

Key accomplishments include:

- Data Integrity: Ensured data integrity by addressing missing values and applying consistent formatting.
- Enhanced Readability: Renaming columns for clarity and utilizing regex patterns improved the readability and interpretability of categorical data.
- Standardized Time Information: Normalized the representation of time information in the 'Access_Days_Time' column.
- Improved Accessibility: The transformation of credit card information into distinct columns facilitates a clear understanding of payment methods.
- **Standardized Naming**: Special character removal and value replacement enhanced the standardization of station names, contributing to a cleaner dataset.
- Enhanced Phone Number Information: Filled missing phone numbers, handled multiple entries, and replaced ambiguous values to ensure uniformity in the 'Station_Phone' column.