

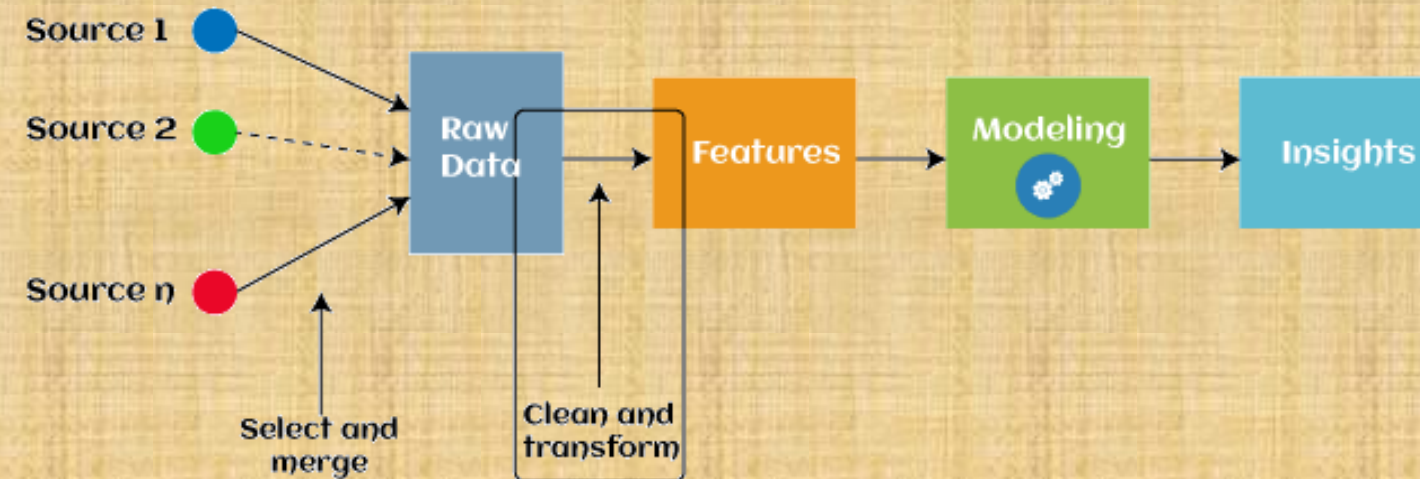
Feature Engineering

Feature Selection

Feature Transformation

Feature Creation
(Encoding, Binning)

Feature Extraction
(Automated in Deep Learning)



Feature Engineering

- ♦ **Definition:** The process of creating new features from existing ones to enhance model performance.
- ♦ **Experimental Nature:** It relies on the creativity of the programmer and is highly experimental.

Data Pre-processing

- ♦ **Definition:** Transforming the dataset into a form suitable for model training.
- ♦ **Common Steps:**
 - Scaling numeric variables

- Encoding categorical variables

Key Libraries for Feature Engineering and Pre-processing:

- Pandas
- Scikit-learn
- Tsfresh
- Feature Engine
- NLTK

Handling Extreme Values

- **Questions to Ask:**
 - Are the extreme values genuine?
 - Are the extreme values erroneous?
- **Identification Methods:**
 - Mean and Standard Deviation
 - IQR (Interquartile Range)
 - Percentiles (5th, 95th, etc.)
 - Isolation Forest, Box Plot, KDE Plot
- **Remedial Steps:**
 - Delete extreme values
 - Cap/Floor values
 - Represent as missing for later imputation

Handling Missing Values

- **Questions to Ask:**
 - Are values missing because they don't exist?
 - Were they not recorded?
- **Remedial Steps:**
 - Delete missing values
 - Impute using Mean, Median, Mode, Constant, or algorithms like MICE, KNN

Mathematical Operations

- **Combining Features:**
 - Aggregations: Sum, Max, Min, Mean
 - Relativity: Ratios, Differences
- **Transformations:**

Log, Square Root, Reciprocal, Exponential
Power Transformations (Box-Cox, Yeo-Johnson)

Feature Discretization:

Equal Width, Equal Frequency, Arbitrary Intervals, K-Means Clustering

Feature Scaling

Techniques:

Standardization
Normalization
Median and IQR Scaling

Handling Categorical Variables

Steps:

1. Encoding:

Ordinal Encoding
One-Hot Encoding
Rare-label Encoding
Frequency Encoding
Target Mean Encoding

2. Manipulation:

Group rare categories
Convert to meaningful values or binary categories

Handling Date and Time Variables

Feature Extraction:

Day, Month, Year, Quarter, Weekday
Hour, Minute, Second

New Features:

Time lag, Differences between two dates

Handling Text Variables

Feature Extraction:

Frequency of characters, words, and unique words

Ratios:

Take ratios based on the extracted features

Feature Selection

1. Filter Methods:

- Ranking variables based on statistical metrics like Chi-square, F-test, Correlation, Mutual Information.

2. Wrapper Methods:

- Generate subsets of features and train models on each subset. Techniques include:
 - Exhaustive Search
 - Forward Elimination
 - Backward Elimination

3. Embedded Methods:

- Use models like Linear Regression, LASSO, Decision Trees, and Random Forest to select features based on their coefficients or feature importance.

Key Components in Feature Engineering

1. Built-in Transformers:

- Python Class, Python Function, Function Transformer

2. Pipeline and Feature Union: Combine various transformations into a cohesive process.

General Sequence of Steps for Data Preprocessing:

- 1. Import Libraries:** Pandas, Scikit-learn, etc.
- 2. Display Settings:** Adjust pandas display options and ignore warnings.
- 3. Read Training Data.**
- 4. Transformation Operations** (e.g., for specific columns like 'Airline', 'Date of Journey', etc.).
- 5. Feature Selection:** Based on individual feature performance.
- 6. Final Data Preprocessing and Model Training.**

Feature Engineering and Data Preprocessing

1. Import Libraries

```
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np

from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler, OneHotEncoder, PowerTransforme
from sklearn.impute import SimpleImputer

from sklearn.feature_selection import SelectKBest, chi2, mutual_info_classif
```



```
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
from sklearn.ensemble import IsolationForest
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import seaborn as sns
```

2. Data Overview & Display Settings

```
pd.set_option('display.max_columns', None)
pd.set_option('display.max_rows', None)
```

3. Reading Data

```
# Load your dataset here
df = pd.read_csv('your_dataset.csv')
df.head()
```

Identifying and Handling Extreme Values

4. Identify Extreme Values

- Using mean, standard deviation, IQR, and plots:

```
def identify_extreme_values(df, column):
    mean = df[column].mean()
    std_dev = df[column].std()
    iqr = df[column].quantile(0.75) - df[column].quantile(0.25)
    lower_bound = df[column].quantile(0.25) - 1.5 * iqr
    upper_bound = df[column].quantile(0.75) + 1.5 * iqr
    print(f'Mean: {mean}, Std Dev: {std_dev}, IQR: {iqr}')
    return lower_bound, upper_bound
```

```
lower, upper = identify_extreme_values(df, 'column_name')
```

5. Remedial Steps for Extreme Values

- Capping extreme values:

```
df['column_name'] = np.where(df['column_name'] > upper, upper, df['column_n
df['column_name'] = np.where(df['column_name'] < lower, lower, df['column_n
```

6. Visualization of Extreme Values

```
sns.boxplot(df['column_name'])  
plt.show()
```

Handling Missing Values

7. Imputation of Missing Values

```
imputer = SimpleImputer(strategy='mean')  
df['numeric_column'] = imputer.fit_transform(df[['numeric_column']])
```

8. Creating Indicator Columns for Missing Values

```
df['missing_numeric_column'] = df['numeric_column'].isna().astype(int)
```

Feature Engineering

9. Mathematical Operations on Features

```
df['new_feature'] = df['feature1'] + df['feature2']    # Example: Sum  
df['log_feature'] = np.log1p(df['numeric_column'])    # Example: Logarithmic Tran
```



10. Polynomial Features

```
from sklearn.preprocessing import PolynomialFeatures  
poly = PolynomialFeatures(degree=2, interaction_only=True)  
poly_features = poly.fit_transform(df[['feature1', 'feature2']])
```

Feature Scaling

11. Feature Scaling

```
scaler = StandardScaler()  
df[['numeric_column']] = scaler.fit_transform(df[['numeric_column']])
```

Encoding Categorical Variables

12. One-Hot Encoding

```
ohe = OneHotEncoder()
encoded_cols = ohe.fit_transform(df[['categorical_column']]).toarray()
```

13. Rare-Label Encoding

```
freq_counts = df['categorical_column'].value_counts()
rare_labels = freq_counts[freq_counts < threshold].index
df['categorical_column'] = df['categorical_column'].replace(rare_labels, 'Rare')
```

Date and Time Feature Engineering

14. Extracting Date Features

```
df['day'] = pd.to_datetime(df['date_column']).dt.day
df['month'] = pd.to_datetime(df['date_column']).dt.month
```

Text Feature Engineering

15. Text Frequency Features

```
df['word_count'] = df['text_column'].apply(lambda x: len(str(x).split()))
```

Feature Selection

16. Filter Method: Chi-Square Test

```
X = df[['feature1', 'feature2']]
y = df['target']
chi2_selector = SelectKBest(chi2, k=5)
X_new = chi2_selector.fit_transform(X, y)
```

17. Wrapper Method: Recursive Feature Elimination

```
from sklearn.feature_selection import RFE
from sklearn.linear_model import LogisticRegression

model = LogisticRegression()
rfe = RFE(model, 5)
fit = rfe.fit(X, y)
```


Putting It All Together

18. Data Preprocessing Pipeline

```
from sklearn.compose import ColumnTransformer
from sklearn.pipeline import Pipeline
from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler, OneHotEncoder

numeric_features = ['feature1', 'feature2']
categorical_features = ['category1', 'category2']

numeric_transformer = Pipeline(steps=[
    ('scaler', StandardScaler())])

categorical_transformer = Pipeline(steps=[
    ('onehot', OneHotEncoder(handle_unknown='ignore'))])

preprocessor = ColumnTransformer(
    transformers=[
        ('num', numeric_transformer, numeric_features),
        ('cat', categorical_transformer, categorical_features)])

clf = Pipeline(steps=[('preprocessor', preprocessor),
                       ('classifier', LogisticRegression())])

clf.fit(X_train, y_train)
```

This notebook structure will help guide the entire data preprocessing and feature engineering workflow. You can adjust specific functions and techniques based on your dataset's requirements.

