Data Science: Data Cleansing And Visualization In Python For Beginners

I am writing this article to discuss a mini academic project work undertaken in Data Science. The project work was a collaborative effort with other fellow academics trying to learn the ropes of Data Science. The intention of this write up is to share the journey and outcome.

Data science is a fascinating discipline that is both artistic and scientific simultaneously. A project journey in Data Science involves extracting and gathering insightful knowledge from data that can either be structured or unstructured. The entire tour commences with data gathering and ends with exploring the data entirely for deriving business value, during which many procedures are applied systematically. Broadly speaking, the cleansing of the data, selecting the right algorithm to use on the data, and finally devising a machine learning function is the objective in this journey. The machine learning function derived is the outcome of this art that would solve the business problems creatively.

This article focuses exclusively on the Data analysis, cleansing, exploration, and imputation of data. I describe the steps that we undertook in this journey, forming the crux of this article.

Step 1. Import Libraries.

We started by importing the libraries that are needed to preprocess, impute, and render the data. The Python libraries that we used are Numpy, random, re, Matplotlib, Seaborn, and Pandas. Numpy for everything mathematical, random for

random numbers, re for regular expression, Pandas for importing and managing the datasets, Matplotlib.pyplot, and Seaborn for drawing figures. These libraries are imported with a shortcut alias as below.

```
import numpy as np
import random
import re
import pandas as pd
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import seaborn as sns
```

Step 2. Loading the data set.

We were handed over e-commerce data to explore. The data set was loaded using Pandas. Some necessary information about the data set was obtained using the 'info' method.

```
ecom = pd.read_csv('Ecommerce_Purchases.csv')
ecom.info()
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 10000 entries, 0 to 9999
Data columns (total 14 columns):
                       Non-Null Count Dtype
    Column
    Address
0
                       10000 non-null
                                       object
                       10000 non-null
    Lot
                                       object
    AM or PM
                       10000 non-null
    Browser Info
                       10000 non-null
                                       object
    Company
                       10000 non-null
                                       object
    Credit Card
                       10000 non-null
                                       int64
    CC Exp Date
CC Security Code
                       10000 non-null
                                       object
                       10000 non-null
    CC Provider
                       10000 non-null
                                       object
    Email
                       10000 non-null
                                       object
                       10000 non-null
11 IP Address
                       10000 non-null
                                       object
12 Language
                       10000 non-null
                                       object
   Purchase Price
                       10000 non-null
                                       float64
dtypes: float64(1), int64(2), object(11)
memory usage: 1.1+ MB
```

Step 3. Initial exploration of the data set.

This step involved exploring the various facets of the loaded data. This step helps in understanding the data set columns and also the contents.

```
ecom['Purchase Price'].describe()
count
          10000.000000
mean
              50.347302
std
min
               0.000000
25%
              25.150000
75%
              75.770000
              99.990000
max
Name: Purchase Price, dtype: float64
# People who have English 'en' as their Language of choice on the website
ecom[ecom['Language']=='en'].count()
Address
                       1098
Lot
                       1098
AM or PM
                       1098
Browser Info
                       1098
Company
Credit Card
                       1098
                       1098
CC Exp Date
                       1098
CC Security Code
                       1098
CC Provider
                       1098
Email
                       1098
Job
                       1098
IP Address
                       1098
Language
Purchase Price
                       1098
                       1098
dtype: int64
\#count number of transacations in AM and PM
ecom['AM or PM'].value_counts()
AM
       4932
Name: AM or PM, dtype: int64
#top five jobs
ecom['Job'].value_counts().head(5)
Interior and spatial designer
Lawyer
Social researcher
                                           30
                                          28
Designer, jewellery
Research officer, political party
Name: Job, dtype: int64
#top five email providers
ecom['Email'].apply(lambda x: x.split('e')[1]).value_counts().head(5)
hotmail.com
                  1638
yahoo.com
                  1616
                  1605
```

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gmail.com
smith.com
                 42
williams.com
                 37
Name: Email, dtype: int64
```

Step 3. Interpreting and transforming the data set.

In a real-world scenario, the data information that one starts with could be either raw or unsuitable for Machine Learning purposes. We will need to transform the incoming data suitably.

```
cleaned_ecom = selected_columns.copy()
#clean up address
#clean browser
browser = ecom['Browser Info'].str.split(pat=r" |\(|\)", expand = True)
browser_and_ver = browser[0].str.split(pat=r"/", expand = True)
cleaned_ecom['Browser'] = browser_and_ver[0]
cleaned_ecom['Browser Version'] = browser_and_ver[1]
cleaned_ecom[ | CC Exp Year'] = ecom[ 'CC Exp Date'].str.split(pat=r"/", expand = True)[1].astype(int)
cleaned_ecom[ 'CC Exp Month'] = ecom[ 'CC Exp Date'].str.split(pat=r"/", expand = True)[0].astype(int)
cleaned_ecom[ 'State'] = address[0]
cleaned_ecom[ 'ZIP Code'] = address[1]
cleaned_ecom[ 'ZIP Code'] = cleaned_ecom[ 'ZIP Code'].astype(int)
cleaned_ecom['CC Provider'] = cleaned_ecom['CC Provider'], str.split(pat = '\d', expand = True)[0] cleaned_ecom.nunique() #There are 10000 different credit cards registered and 10000 different IP addresses #but interestingly not 10000 different email addresses. Hence email address is not used to maintain user account
                               8653
Company
Credit Card
                            10000
CC Exp Date
                              1758
CC Security Code
CC Provider
                               9954
Email
Job
                                623
IP Address
                            10000
Language
                              6349
Purchase Price
Browser
Browser Version
                               181
CC Exp Year
                                  11
CC Exp Month
State
                              9543
ZIP Code
dtype: int64
```

We tried to drop any duplicate rows in the data set using the 'duplicate' method. However, as you would note below, the data set we received did not contain any duplicates.

cleaned_ecom = cleaned_ecom.drop_duplicates() #drop duplicates if any
cleaned_ecom

	AM or PM	Company	Credit Card	CC Exp Date	CC Security Code	CC Provider	Email	Job	IP Address	Language	Purchase Price	Brı
c	PM	Martinez- Herman	6011929061123406	02/20	900	JCB	pdunlap@yahoo.com	Scientist, product/process development	149.146.147.205	el	98.14	,
1	РМ	Fletcher, Richards and Whitaker	3337758169645356	11/18	561	Mastercard	anthony41@reed.com	Drilling engineer	15.160.41.51	fr	70.73	,
2	PM	Simpson, Williams and Pham	675957666125	08/19	699	JCB	amymiller@morales- harrison.com	Customer service manager	132.207.160.22	de	0.95	V
3	PM	Williams, Marshall and Buchanan	6011578504430710	02/24	384	Discover	brent16@olson-robinson.info	Drilling engineer	30.250.74.19	es	78.04	N
4	AM	Brown, Watson and Andrews	6011456623207998	10/25	678	Diners Club / Carte Blanche	christopherwright@gmail.com	Fine artist	24.140.33.94	es	77.82	
9995	PM	Randall- Sloan	342945015358701	03/22	838	JCB	iscott@wade-garner.com	Printmaker	29.73.197.114	it	82.21	٨
9996	AM	Hale, Collins and Wilson	210033169205009	07/25	207	JCB	mary85@hotmail.com	Energy engineer	121.133.168.51	pt	25.63	N
9997	AM	Anderson Ltd	6011539787356311	05/21	1	VISA	tyler16@gmail.com	Veterinary surgeon	156.210.0.254	el	83.98	٨
9998	PM	Cook Inc	180003348082930	11/17	987	American Express	elizabethmoore@reid.net	Local government officer	55.78.26.143	es	38.84	٨
9999	AM	Greene Inc	4139972901927273	02/19	302	JCB	rachelford@vaughn.com	Embryologist, clinical	176.119.198.199	el	67.59	V

10000 rows × 17 columns

cleaned	ecom.describe()

	Credit Card	CC Security Code	Purchase Price	CC Exp Year	CC Exp Month	ZIP Code
count	1.000000e+04	10000.000000	10000.000000	10000.000000	10000.00000	10000.000000
mean	2.341374e+15	907.217800	50.347302	21.173100	6.42570	49808.190700
std	2.256103e+15	1589.693035	29.015836	2.918114	3.46648	28965.375251
min	6.040186e+10	0.000000	0.000000	16.000000	1.00000	29.000000
25%	3.056322e+13	280.000000	25.150000	19.000000	3.00000	24745.000000
50%	8.699942e+14	548.000000	50.505000	21.000000	6.00000	49695.000000
75%	4.492298e+15	816.000000	75.770000	24.000000	9.00000	75011.250000
max	6.012000e+15	9993.000000	99.990000	26.000000	12.00000	99994.000000

Step 4. Imputing the data:

While looking for invalid values in the data set, it was soon determined that the data set was clean. The question placed on us in the project was to forcibly introduce errors at the rate of 10% overall if the data set supplied was clean. So given this ask, we decided to forcibly introduce errors into the data set. These errors could have been introduced in any column of the data set. Still, we limited introducing errors to just one row for studying imputing, which could have the maxi-

mum impact on the data set outcome. Thus, about 10% of the 'Purchase Price' data was randomly made as 'numpy–NaN.'

I wrote a re-usable data frame impute class named 'DataFrameWithImputor' that has the following capabilities.

- 1. Be instantiated with a data frame as a parameter in the constructor.
- 2. Introduce errors to any numeric column of a data frame at a specified error rate.
- 3. Introduce errors across the data frame in any cell of the data frame at a specified error rate.
- 4. Impute error values in a column of the data set.
- 5. Find empty strings in rows of the data set.
- 6. Get the 'nan' count in the data set.
- 7. Ability to describe the entire data set being imputed, whenever needed.
- 8. Ability to express any column of the data set being imputed, whenever required.
- 9. Perform forward fill on the entire data set.
- 10. Perform backward fill on the entire data set

Reproduced below is the code for the class.

```
class DataFrameWithImputor():
    def __init__(self,df):
        self.df=df
    def get_data_frame(self):
        return self.df
    #Randomly find indexes for x% of the column to populate with NaN values
    def introduce_errors(self, attribute, percent):
        column = self.df[attribute]
        error data = int(column.size * percent)
        i = [random.choice(range(column.shape[0])) for _ in range(error_data)]
        column[i] = np.NaN
        self.df[attribute] = column
return len(set(i)) # lengh of error indexes
    #Randomly find indexes for x% of the cells to populate with NaN values
    def introduce_errors_in_dataframe(self, percent):
        rows = len(self.df.index)
        error data = int(rows * percent)
        columns = len(self.df.columns)
        for i in range(error_data):
            col = i % columns
row = i % rows
            self.df.iloc[row,col] = np.NaN
        return self.df.isnull().sum().sum()
    def impute(self,column,value):
        #Impute NaN values in the column with a random value
        null_values = self.df[self.df[column].isnull()].index
        for i in range(len(null values)):
            self.df[column][null_values] = value
        col_description = pd.DataFrame(self.df[column].describe())
        col_description.loc['Frequent'] = self.df[column].value_counts().idxmax()
        return col_description
```

```
def get_nan_count(self):
    return self.df.isnull().sum()

def find_empty_string(self):
    return np.where(self.df.applymap(lambda x: x == '')) # return rows with empty string

def nan_values_in_column(self):
    return np.where(pd.isnull(self.df)) #return indexes for null values in a row

def describe(self):
    return self.df.describe

def describe_col(self, col):
    desc = pd.DataFrame(self.df[col].describe())

desc.loc['Frequent'] = self.df[col].value_counts().idxmax()
    return desc

def fillforward(self):
    self.df = self.df.fillna(method='ffill',axis = 0)

def fillbackward(self):
    self.df = self.df.fillna(method='bfill',axis = 0)
```

Step 5. Exploring and Analysing the data: A cleaned up and structured data is suitable for analyzing and finding exemplars using visualization.

Conclusion

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