

Summary Report:

In this data cleaning and classification project, we started by identifying and handling missing values in the dataset. Features with 40% or more missing values were removed, and others were imputed using the mode. Duplicate rows resulting from the imputation were removed. Univariate analysis revealed features with minimal information, which were subsequently dropped to streamline the dataset.

To enhance data quality, categorical variables with less than 1% variance among categories were grouped into an 'Others' category. The strategy for removing rows was devised to retain a 2:1 ratio for the minority target class, achieving a balanced 3:4 ratio. It was assumed that missing values could be indicative of candidates from the locality of the organization. Incorrectly labeled data, such as 'Select' instead of explicit NaN values, was corrected.

Multivariate analysis involved performing outlier treatment using Winsorization, transforming numeric variables into categorical ones with binning, and splitting the data into training and testing sets. Features were one-hot encoded, and binary variables were label encoded. Correlations were then examined, and feature selection was performed using recursive feature elimination with general linear models, ensuring significance and addressing multicollinearity.

The dataset was subjected to logistic regression for classification, employing a randomized search for hyperparameter tuning. The chosen parameters ('tol': 0.001, 'solver': 'lbfgs', 'penalty': 'l2', 'C': 100) yielded the highest accuracy of 75.66%, which was slightly better on the test data, indicating a well-fitted model.

The resulting coefficients for the logistic regression model were interpreted, revealing influential features such as 'Do Not Email,' 'Lead Origin_Lead Add Form,' and 'Last Notable Activity_SMS Sent.'

Further evaluation involved finding the optimal threshold for binary label prediction. Trade-off values for sensitivity, specificity, and precision were analyzed at different thresholds, with a threshold of 0.4 proving to be a better balance. The evaluation metrics included accuracy, sensitivity, specificity, ROC AUC, G-Means, and precision AUC.

In the context of lead prediction, sensitivity was considered more important, and the model's performance at different thresholds was thoroughly assessed. The summary table presented a clear understanding of the model's performance across various thresholds.

Additionally, KS Statistic, Gain, and Lift measures were calculated, validating the model's effectiveness. The concordance ratio further emphasized the suitability of the logistic regression model for the given classification task.

In conclusion, this project demonstrated a comprehensive approach to data cleaning, preprocessing, and classification using logistic regression. The model exhibited robust performance, and the thorough evaluation metrics provided a nuanced understanding of its strengths and weaknesses. The project's success lies in its meticulous handling of missing values, feature engineering, and thoughtful model evaluation.