

Feature preprocessing and generation with respect to models

TOTAL POINTS 5

1. Suppose we have a feature with all the values between 0 and 1 except few outliers larger than 1. What can help us to decrease outliers' influence on non-tree models?

1 point

- ☐ StandardScaler
- ☒ Apply rank transform to the features
- ☐ MinMaxScaler
- ☒ Apply **`np.sqrt(x)`** transform to the data
- ☒ Winsorization
- ☒ Apply **`np.log1p(x)`** transform to the data

2 points

2. Suppose we fit a tree-based model. In which cases label encoding can be better to use than one-hot encoding?

- ☒ When we can come up with label encoder, that assigns close labels to similar (in terms of target) categories
- ☒ When categorical feature is ordinal
- ☒ When the number of categorical features in the dataset is huge

1 point

3. Suppose we fit a tree-based model on several categorical features. In which cases applying one-hot encoding can be better to use than label-encoding?

- ☐ When the feature have only two unique values
- ☒ If target dependence on the label encoded feature is very non-linear, i.e. values that are close to each other in the label encode feature correspond to target values that aren't close.

1 point

4. Suppose we have a categorical feature and a *linear* model. We need to somehow encode this feature. Which of the following statements are true?

- ☐ Label encoding is always better than one-hot encoding
- ☐ One-hot encoding is always better than label encoding
- ☒ Depending on the dataset either of label encoder or one-hot encoder could be better