ZANISTA: Key Features and Workflow

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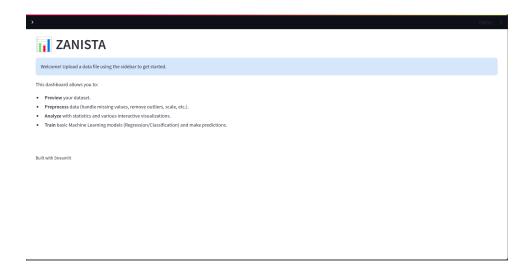


Figure: Conceptual Screenshot of the Dashboard Frontpage

Objective: Design a user-friendly, modular dashboard to streamline dataset ingestion, preprocessing, exploratory analysis, and basic machine learning, empowering users of any skill level to derive insights with minimal friction.

1. Data Ingestion

- Supports CSV, JSON, or Excel uploads; auto-converts to CSV for consistency.
- Validates file structure and reports parsing errors immediately.

2. Preprocessing Pipeline

Users toggle any (or all) of the following steps via checkboxes:

- 1. Auto EDA Report: Generates summary of data types, missingness, correlations, and outliers using Z-score (remove if |z| > 3).
- 2. Missing Data Handling: Prompt to impute default values per column or drop rows.
- 3. Outlier Removal: User defines the Z-score threshold and specifies the columns where outliers should be removed.

- 4. Custom Row/Column Removal: Interactive UI to deselect unwanted data slices.
- 5. **Scaling:** Choose numeric columns to apply scaling using a user-defined factor k.

3. Data Preview

• Quick view of head/tail (configurable number of rows).

4. Exploratory Analysis

- Descriptive Statistics: Mean, median, mode, variance, standard deviation, IQR, range. Option to display whisker plot.
- Distribution Plots: Choose dependent and independent variables; render bar, histogram, pie, or line charts.

5. Machine Learning Module

- Model Training: Predict a target variable using remaining features.
- Options: Linear Regression or Decision Tree. Instant train-and-evaluate with R^2 or accuracy metrics.

6. Deliverables

- Interactive web-based dashboard prototype.
- Demo video.