Data Preprocessing with Pandas

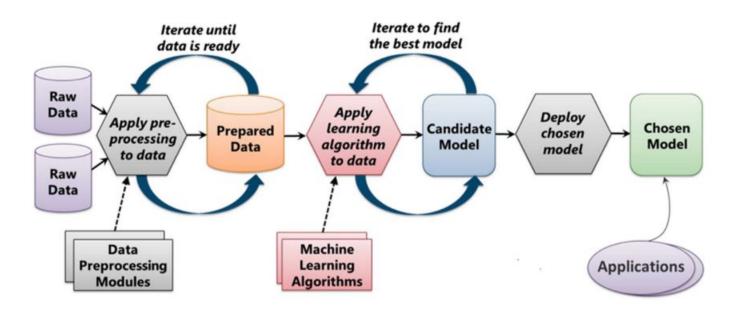
About Pandas

- High-level data manipulation tool developed by Wes McKinney.
- Built on the Numpy package
- Key data structure is called the DataFrame

DataFrames allow you to store and manipulate tabular data in rows of observations and columns of variables. #like a table

Series: A one-dimensional labeled array a capable of holding any data type

The Machine Learning Process



From "Introduction to Microsoft Azure" by David Chappell

Steps in Data Preprocessing

Step 1 : Import the libraries

Step 2 : Import the data-set

Step 3 : Check out the missing values

We'll be covering these steps today using pandas

Step 4 : See the Categorical Values

Step 5 : Splitting the data-set into Training and Test Set

Step 6 : Feature Scaling

1. Import the libraries

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# let's get the playground ready
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#fire up the jupyter notebook and lets create a new notebook

#import pandas library import pandas as pd

2. Import the data-set

Before working on actual data, let's learn about Dataframes and Series by creating some.

Can you create this dataset?

Don't forget the indexes!

	Student A	Student B	Student C
English	98	75	90
Maths	45	99	67

CSV file is a table of values separated by commas. Hence the name: "comma-seperated values", or CSV.

df=pd.read_csv("titanic.csv")	#open the csv file, it has more than 30 parameters	
df.to_csv('myCSV.csv')	#write the dataframe to a csv file	
df.shape #how large the dataset is (rows,cols)		
df.head()	#grabs first five rows	
df.columns	#displays the columns in the dataset	
df['name']	#displays column name	
Select name, age, ticket columns?	change the column names?	

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anotherDf=df[df['sex']=='female']
#what will this statement do?
Try it!
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#Selecting a subset of existing dataset based on a condition

Indexing and Slicing

Naive accessors

Index-based selection

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df.iloc[0] #accesses the first row

df.iloc[:,0] #access the first column

df.iloc[1:3,] #row 1 to 3

df.iloc[[0,3,4],0] #selects 0th column of 0, 3,4th row : a list can be used to specify rows or columns

df.iloc[-5,0] #counts toward the end; selects 0th column of 5th row from last
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Label-based selection
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df.loc[0,'name']  #selects column 'name' of 0th row

df.loc[0,['name','age']]

Conditional selection

df.sex=='female'

df.loc[(df.sex=='female') & (df.age>20)]

df.loc[df.body.notnull()]  #selects values which are not empty
```

Herate through Dataframe

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count=0
for index,row in df.iterrows():
   if row['age']>20:
      count+=1
print(count)
```

#check out stack overflow for other ways of iterating a dataframe

3. Check out missing values

fillna() can "fill in" NA values with non-NA data

Rest Try to explore :

https://pandas.pydata.org/pandas-docs/stable/missing_data.html