

# **ASSIGNMENT**

**Problem Statement:** To make targeted improvements in product formulation and flavor profiles by analyzing sensory data, ingredient compositions, and consumer feedback to identify key variables affecting taste in Food and Beverage Industry.

## **Feature Engineering:**

### **Features Created for the above Problem Statement:**

1. Ingredient composition
2. Cooking time and temperature
3. Salt content
4. Sweetness level
5. Umami intensity
6. Spices and herbs
7. Texture and mouthfeel
8. Fat content
9. Acidity level
10. Cooking method
11. Presentation and aesthetics

12. Serving temperature
13. Food freshness
14. Cultural influences
15. Dietary restrictions
16. Processing techniques
17. Seasonal variations
18. Proportion of ingredients
19. Flavor balancing
20. Food pairing
21. Smell and aroma
22. Cooking oil used
23. Food origin and source
24. Food additives
25. Cooking utensils/materials
26. Water quality
27. pH level
28. Cooking environment
29. Personal preferences
30. Food appearance and color

**Extracted Features After performing Feature Engineering(feature selection , feature transformation , feature creation and feature extraction):**

**Flavor Intensity:** A combination of sweetness, saltiness, and umami

intensity.

**Texture Complexity:** Reflecting the diversity and complexity of textures in the dish.

**Spice Profile:** A representation of the types and quantities of spices used.

**Freshness Index:** Incorporating factors like ingredient freshness and overall dish freshness.

**Culinary Technique Score:** Evaluating the impact of cooking methods on taste.

**Aroma Richness:** Measuring the richness and complexity of the dish's aroma.

These **six features** capture essential aspects of taste, texture, freshness, culinary techniques, and aroma, providing a more focused set for analysis.

### **Explanation:**

**Flavor Intensity:** This feature combines sweetness, saltiness, and umami intensity to provide a comprehensive measure of the overall flavor strength in a dish.

**Texture Complexity:** Reflects the diversity and complexity of textures present in the food, capturing the interplay between various textures and their impact on taste.

**Spice Profile:** Represents the types and quantities of spices used in the dish, encapsulating the unique flavor characteristics contributed by the spices.

**Freshness Index:** Incorporates factors related to ingredient freshness and overall dish freshness, acknowledging the importance of using fresh ingredients in enhancing taste.

**Culinary Technique Score:** Evaluates the impact of various cooking

methods on the taste, recognizing the influence of techniques such as grilling, roasting, or steaming.

**Aroma Richness:** Measures the richness and complexity of the dish's aroma, capturing the aromatic elements that significantly contribute to the overall taste experience.

By focusing on these **six features**, we aim to simplify the representation of taste while retaining key aspects related to flavor, texture, freshness, cooking techniques, spices, and aroma. This streamlined set of features provides a more manageable and targeted approach for further analysis in the context of food taste.

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