



Preprocessing data



Dealing with categorical features

- Scikit-learn will not accept categorical features by default
- Need to encode categorical features numerically
- Convert to 'dummy variables'
 - o: Observation was NOT that category
 - 1: Observation was that category





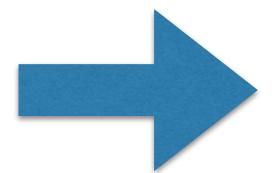
Dummy variables

Origin

US

Europe

Asia



origin_Asia	origin_US	эе	origin_US	
0	1		1	
0	0		0	
1	0		0	



Dealing with categorical features in Python

- scikit-learn: OneHotEncoder()
- pandas: get_dummies()



Automobile dataset

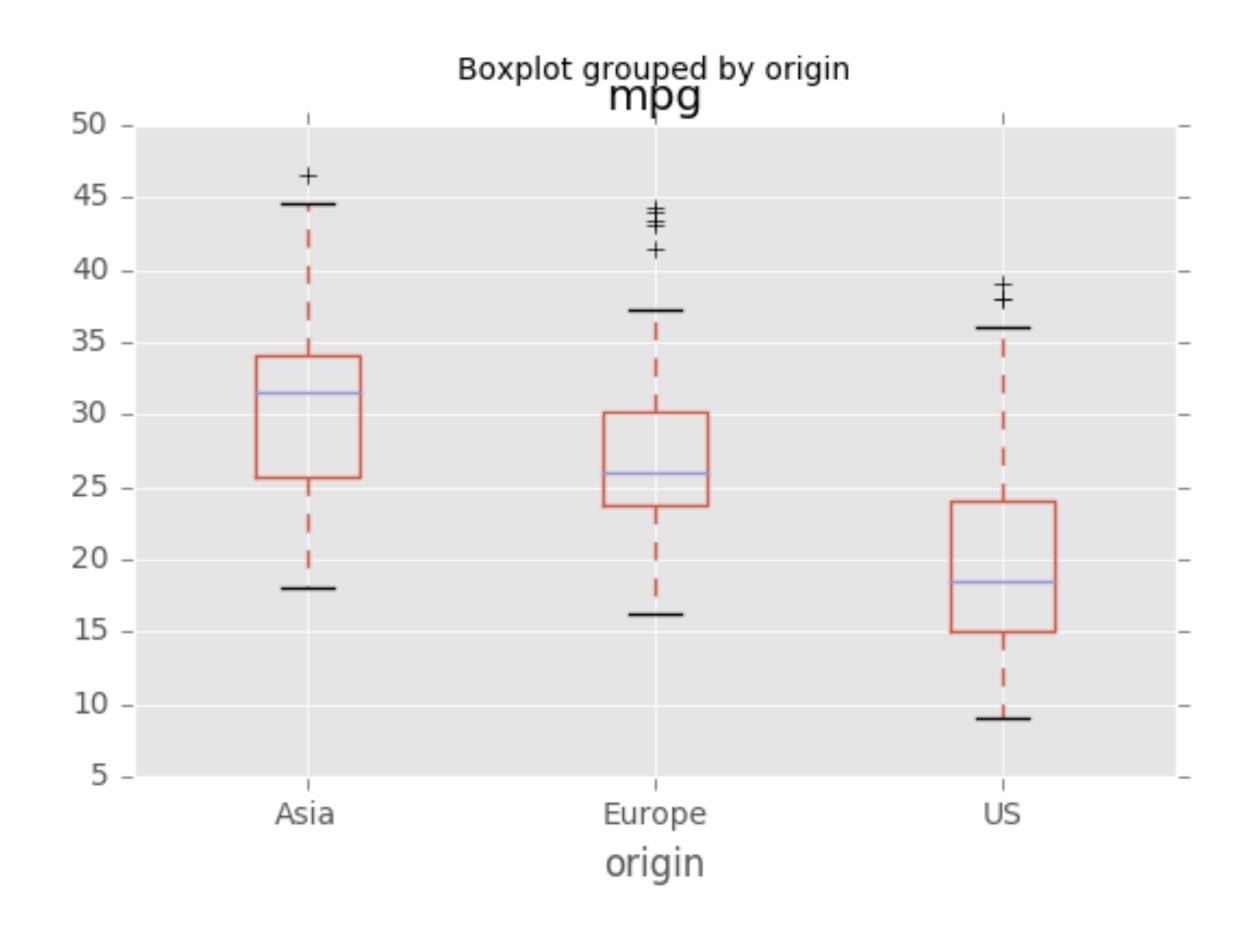
- mpg: Target Variable
- Origin: Categorical Feature

	mpg	displ	hp	weight	accel	origin	size
0	18.0	250.0	88	3139	14.5	US	15.0
1	9.0	304.0	193	4732	18.5	US	20.0
2	36.1	91.0	60	1800	16.4	Asia	10.0
3	18.5	250.0	98	3525	19.0	US	15.0
4	34.3	97.0	78	2188	15.8	Europe	10.0





EDA w/ categorical feature







Encoding dummy variables

```
In [1]: import pandas as pd
In [2]: df = pd.read_csv('auto.csv')
In [3]: df_origin = pd.get_dummies(df)
  [4]: print(df_origin.head())
               hp weight accel size origin_Asia origin_Europe
        displ
  18.0
        250.0
                    3139
                          14.5
                                15.0
        304.0
                    4732
                           18.5
                                20.0
   9.0
              193
  36.1
        91.0
                    1800
                          16.4 10.0
               60
        250.0
               98
                    3525
                           19.0 15.0
  18.5
  34.3 97.0
                     2188
                           15.8 10.0
  origin_US
```





Encoding dummy variables

```
In [5]: df_origin = df_origin.drop('origin_Asia', axis=1)
  [6]: print(df_origin.head())
                                     origin_Europe origin_US
        displ hp weight accel size
   mpg
  18.0
       250.0
                                15.0
                    3139
                         14.5
   9.0
        304.0
                  4732 18.5
                                20.0
              193
  36.1
       91.0
                         16.4
             60
                    1800
                                10.0
  18.5 250.0
             98
                    3525
                         19.0 15.0
  34.3 97.0
               78
                           15.8
                    2188
                                10.0
```





Linear regression with dummy variables

```
In [7]: from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
In [8]: from sklearn.linear_model import Ridge
In [9]: X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y, ...: test_size=0.3, random_state=42)
In [10]: ridge = Ridge(alpha=0.5, normalize=True).fit(X_train, ...: y_train)
In [11]: ridge.score(X_test, y_test)
Out[11]: 0.719064519022
```





Let's practice!





Handling missing data



PIMA Indians dataset

```
In [1]: df = pd.read_csv('diabetes.csv')
In [2]: df.info()
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 768 entries, 0 to 767
Data columns (total 9 columns):
pregnancies 768 non-null int64
glucose 768 non-null int64
diastolic
              768 non-null int64
              768 non-null int64
triceps
insulin
              768 non-null int64
bmi
               768 non-null float64
dpf
               768 non-null float64
               768 non-null int64
age
diabetes
               768 non-null int64
dtypes: float64(2), int64(7)
memory usage: 54.1 KB
None
```



PIMA Indians dataset

```
In [3]: print(df.head())
   pregnancies glucose diastolic triceps insulin
                                                           dpf
                                                                age
                                       35
                   148
                              72
                                                   33.6
                                                         0.627
                                                                 50
                    85
                              66
                                                   26.6
                                                         0.351
                                                                 31
                   183
                              64
                                                   23.3 0.672
                                                                 32
                                       23
                                                   28.1 0.167
                    89
                              66
                                                                 21
                   137
                                       35
                                               168 43.1 2.288
                                                                 33
                              40
  diabetes
```



Dropping missing data

```
In [8]: df.insulin.replace(0, np.nan, inplace=True)
In [9]: df.triceps.replace(0, np.nan, inplace=True)
In [10]: df.bmi.replace(0, np.nan, inplace=True)
In [11]: df.info()
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 768 entries, 0 to 767
Data columns (total 9 columns):
pregnancies
             768 non-null int64
          768 non-null int64
glucose
          768 non-null int64
diastolic
              541 non-null float64
triceps
              394 non-null float64
insulin
             757 non-null float64
bmi
dpf
               768 non-null float64
              768 non-null int64
age
diabetes
              768 non-null int64
dtypes: float64(4), int64(5)
memory usage: 54.1 KB
```



Dropping missing data

```
In [12]: df = df.dropna()
In [13]: df.shape
Out[13]: (393, 9)
```



Imputing missing data

- Making an educated guess about the missing values
- Example: Using the mean of the non-missing entries

```
In [1]: from sklearn.preprocessing import Imputer
In [2]: imp = Imputer(missing_values='NaN', strategy='mean', axis=0)
In [3]: imp.fit(X)
In [4]: X = imp.transform(X)
```



Imputing within a pipeline

```
In [1]: from sklearn.pipeline import Pipeline
In [2]: from sklearn.preprocessing import Imputer
In [3]: imp = Imputer(missing_values='NaN', strategy='mean', axis=0)
In [4]: logreg = LogisticRegression()
In [5]: steps = [('imputation', imp),
   ('logistic_regression', logreg)]
In [6]: pipeline = Pipeline(steps)
In [7]: X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y,
   ...: test_size=0.3, random_state=42)
```



Imputing within a pipeline

```
In [8]: pipeline.fit(X_train, y_train)
In [9]: y_pred = pipeline.predict(X_test)
In [10]: pipeline.score(X_test, y_test)
Out[10]: 0.75324675324675328
```





Let's practice!





Centering and scaling





Why scale your data?

```
[1]: print(df.describe())
     fixed acidity
                     free sulfur dioxide total sulfur dioxide
                                                                       density
       1599.000000
                                                    1599.000000
                                                                  1599.000000
                             1599.000000
count
          8.319637
                               15.874922
                                                      46.467792
                                                                     0.996747
mean
                                                      32.895324
          1.741096
                               10.460157
                                                                     0.001887
std
                                                                     0.990070
min
          4.600000
                                1.000000
                                                       6.000000
                                                                     0.995600
          7.100000
                                7.000000
                                                      22.000000
25%
                                                      38.000000
                                                                     0.996750
50%
          7.900000
                               14.000000
75%
          9.200000
                               21.000000
                                                      62.000000
                                                                     0.997835
                                                     289.000000
                                                                     1.003690
         15.900000
                               72.000000
max
                                       alcohol
                                                    quality
                       sulphates
                рН
       1599.000000
                     1599.000000
                                  1599.000000
                                                1599.000000
count
          3.311113
                        0.658149
                                    10.422983
                                                   0.465291
mean
                                     1.065668
          0.154386
                        0.169507
                                                   0.498950
std
          2.740000
                        0.330000
                                     8.400000
min
                                                   0.000000
25%
                                                   0.000000
          3.210000
                        0.550000
                                      9.500000
          3.310000
50%
                        0.620000
                                     10.200000
                                                   0.000000
75%
          3.400000
                        0.730000
                                    11.100000
                                                   1.000000
          4.010000
                        2.000000
                                    14.900000
                                                   1.000000
max
```



Why scale your data?

- Many models use some form of distance to inform them
- Features on larger scales can unduly influence the model
- Example: k-NN uses distance explicitly when making predictions
- We want features to be on a similar scale
- Normalizing (or scaling and centering)



Ways to normalize your data

- Standardization: Subtract the mean and divide by variance
 - All features are centered around zero and have variance one
- Can also subtract the minimum and divide by the range
 - Minimum zero and maximum one
- Can also normalize so the data ranges from -1 to +1
- See scikit-learn docs for further details



Scaling in scikit-learn

```
In [2]: from sklearn.preprocessing import scale
In [3]: X_scaled = scale(X)
In [4]: np.mean(X), np.std(X)
Out[4]: (8.13421922452, 16.7265339794)
In [5]: np.mean(X_scaled), np.std(X_scaled)
Out[5]: (2.54662653149e-15, 1.0)
```





Scaling in a pipeline

```
In [6]: from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler
In [7]: steps = [('scaler', StandardScaler()),
                ('knn', KNeighborsClassifier())]
In [8]: pipeline = Pipeline(steps)
In [9]: X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y,
   ...: test_size=0.2, random_state=21)
In [10]: knn_scaled = pipeline.fit(X_train, y_train)
In [11]: y_pred = pipeline.predict(X_test)
In [12]: accuracy_score(y_test, y_pred)
Out[12]: 0.956
In [13]: knn_unscaled = KNeighborsClassifier().fit(X_train, y_train)
In [14]: knn_unscaled.score(X_test, y_test)
Out[14]: 0.928
```





CV and scaling in a pipeline

```
In [14]: steps = [('scaler', StandardScaler()),
                 (('knn', KNeighborsClassifier())]
In [15]: pipeline = Pipeline(steps)
In [16]: parameters = {knn__n_neighbors=np.arange(1, 50)}
In [17]: X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y,
   ...: test_size=0.2, random_state=21)
In [18]: cv = GridSearchCV(pipeline, param_grid=parameters)
In [19]: cv.fit(X_train, y_train)
In [20]: y_pred = cv.predict(X_test)
```





Scaling and CV in a pipeline

```
In [21]: print(cv.best_params_)
{'knn_neighbors': 41}
In [22]: print(cv.score(X_test, y_test))
0.956
   [23]: print(classification_report(y_test, y_pred))
             precision recall f1-score
                                           support
                 0.97
                           0.90
                                     0.93
                                                 39
                 0.95
                           0.99
                                                 75
                                     0.97
                 0.96
                           0.96
avg / total
                                     0.96
                                                114
```





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Final thoughts



What you've learned

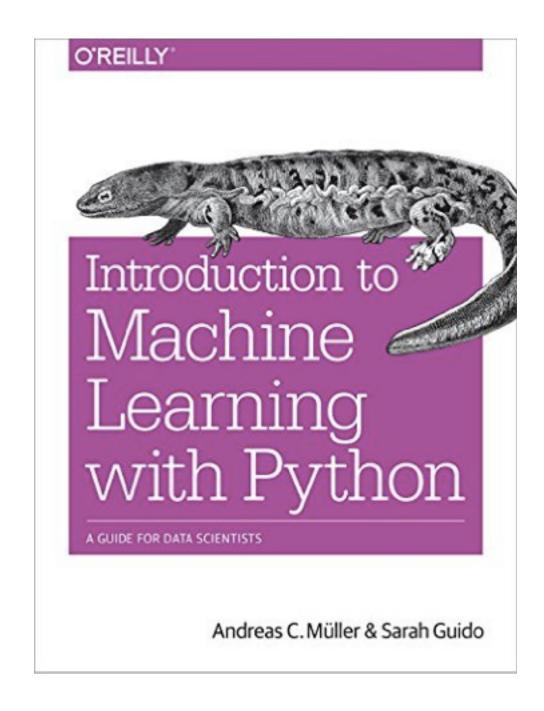
- Using machine learning techniques to build predictive models
 - For both regression and classification problems
 - With real-world data
- Underfitting and overfitting
- Test-train split
- Cross-validation
- Grid search





What you've learned

- Regularization, lasso and ridge regression
- Data preprocessing
- For more: Check out the scikit-learn documentation







Congratulations!