

Project for Phase-3

E-COMMERCE APPLICATION:

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data = pd.DataFrame({'name': ['John', 'Emily', 'Peter', 'John', 'Emily'],
                     'age': [20, 25, 30, 20, 25],
                     'income': [50000, 60000, 70000, 50000, 60000]})

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# Drop duplicate rows
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Deduplicated dataset

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John	20	50000
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Removing outliers

Once the outliers are identified, they can be removed from the dataset using various techniques such as trimming, or removing the observations with extreme values. However, it's important to carefully analyze the dataset and determine the appropriate technique for handling outliers.

Transforming the data

Alternatively, the data can be transformed using mathematical functions such as logarithmic, square root, or inverse functions to reduce the impact of outliers on the analysis:

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# Import pandas and numpy libraries
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np

# Create a custom dataset with outliers
data = pd.DataFrame({'age': [20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 200],
                     'income': [50000, 60000, 70000, 80000, 90000, 100000]})

# Calculate the mean and standard deviation of the data
mean = data.mean()
std_dev = data.std()

# Identify outliers using the z-score method
threshold = 3
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z_scores = ((data - mean) / std_dev).abs()

outliers = data[z_scores > threshold]

# Remove outliers

data_without_outliers = data[z_scores <= threshold]

# Print the original and cleaned datasets

print("Original dataset:")

print(data)

print("\nOutliers:")

print(outliers)

print("\nDataset without outliers:")

print(data_without_outliers)

```

In this example, we've created a custom dataset with outliers in the age column. We then apply the outlier handling technique to identify and remove outliers from the dataset. We first calculate the mean and standard deviation of the data, and then identify the outliers using the z-score method. The z-score is calculated for each observation in the dataset, and any observation that has a z-score greater than the threshold value (in this case, 3) is considered an outlier. Finally, we remove the outliers from the dataset.

The output of the above code in table form is shown below.

Original dataset

age	income
20	50000
25	60000
30	70000
35	80000
40	90000
200	100000

Outliers

age	income
200	100000

Dataset without outliers

age	income
20	50000
25	60000
30	70000
35	80000
40	90000

The outlier (200) in the age column in the dataset without outliers is removed from the original dataset.

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Data Transformation

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Square root transformation is another technique to transform skewed data into a normal distribution. It involves taking the square root of the data, which can help reduce the impact of outliers and improve the data distribution.

Let's look at an example:

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import numpy as np
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```
# Create a custom dataset
```

```
data = pd.DataFrame({'age': [20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45],  
'income': [50000, 60000, 70000, 80000, 90000, 100000],  
'spending': [1, 4, 9, 16, 25, 36]})
```

```
# Apply square root transformation  
  
data['sqrt_spending'] = np.sqrt(data['spending'])  
  
# Print the original and transformed datasets  
  
print("Original dataset:")  
  
print(data)  
  
print("\nTransformed dataset:")  
  
print(data[['age', 'income', 'sqrt_spending']])
```

In this example, our custom dataset has a variable called spending. A significant outlier in this variable is causing skewness in the data. We're controlling this skewness in the spending variable. The square root transformation has transformed the skewed spending variable into a more normal distribution. Transformed values are stored in a new variable called sqrt_spending. The normal distribution of sqrt_spending is between 1.00000 to 6.00000, making it more suitable for data analysis.

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Original dataset

age	income	spending
20	50000	1
25	60000	4
30	70000	9
35	80000	16
40	90000	25
45	100000	36

Transformed dataset

age	income	sqrt_spending
20	50000	1.000000
25	60000	2.000000
30	70000	3.000000
35	80000	4.000000
40	90000	5.000000
45	100000	6.000000

Data Integration

The data integration technique combines data from various sources into a single, unified view. This helps to increase the completeness and diversity of the data, as well as resolve any inconsistencies or conflicts that may exist between the different sources. Data integration is helpful for data mining, enabling data analysis spread across multiple systems or platforms.

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4	\$200

Customer Demographics Dataset

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To integrate these datasets, we need to map the common variable, the customer ID, and combine the data. We can use the Pandas library in Python to accomplish this:

```

# Import pandas library

import pandas as pd


# Load customer purchase dataset

purchase_data = pd.DataFrame({'Customer ID': [1, 2, 3, 4],
                             'Purchase Amount': [50, 100, 75, 200]})


# Load customer demographics dataset

demographics_data = pd.DataFrame({'Customer ID': [1, 2, 3, 4],
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Data Reduction

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There are different methods of data reduction, such as those listed below.

Data cube aggregation involves summarizing or aggregating the data along multiple dimensions, such as time, location, product, and so on. This can help reduce the complexity and size of the data, as well as reveal higher-level patterns and trends.

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Conclusion

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Data cleaning involves identifying and correcting errors, inconsistencies, and inaccuracies in the data. Some standard techniques used in data cleaning include:

handling missing values

handling duplicates

handling outliers

Let's discuss each of these data-cleaning techniques in turn.

Handling missing values

Handling missing values is an essential part of data preprocessing. Observations with missing data are dealt with under this technique. We'll discuss three standard methods for handling missing values: removing observations (rows) with missing values, imputing missing values with the statistics tools, and imputing missing values with machine learning algorithms.

We will demonstrate each technique with a custom dataset and explain the output of each method, discussing all of these techniques of handling missing values individually.

Dropping observations with missing values

The simplest way to deal with missing values is to drop rows with missing ones. This method usually isn't recommended, as it can affect our dataset by removing rows containing essential data.

Let's understand this method with the help of an example. We create a custom dataset with age, income, and education data. We introduce missing values by setting some values to NaN (not a number). NaN is a special floating-point value that indicates an invalid or undefined result. The observations with NaN will be dropped with the help of the dropna() function from the Pandas library:

```
# Importing pandas and numpy libraries
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np

# Create a custom dataset with missing values
data = pd.DataFrame({'age': [20, 25, np.nan, 35, 40, np.nan],
                     'income': [50000, np.nan, 70000, np.nan, 90000, 100000],
                     'education': ['Bachelor', np.nan, 'PhD', 'Bachelor', 'Master', np.nan]})

# Drop observations with missing values, axis = 0 means we want to drop rows
data_cleaned = data.dropna(axis=0)

print("Original dataset:")
print(data)

print("\nCleaned dataset:")
print(data_cleaned)
```

Original dataset

```

age    income   education
20     50000   Bachelor
25     NaN      NaN
NaN    70000   PhD
35     NaN      Bachelor
40     90000   Master
NaN    100000  NaN

```

Cleaned dataset

```

age    income   education
20     50000   Bachelor
40     90000   Master

```

The observations with missing values are removed in the cleaned dataset, so only the observations without missing values are kept. You'll find that only row 0 and 4 are in the cleaned dataset.

Imputing missing values with statistics tools

This is a more sophisticated way to deal with missing data compared with the previous one. It replaces the missing values with some statistics, such as the mean, median, mode, or constant value

```

# Importing pandas and numpy libraries

import pandas as pd
import numpy as np

# Create a custom dataset with missing values

data = pd.DataFrame({'age': [20, 25, 30, 35, np.nan, 45],
'income': [50000, np.nan, 70000, np.nan, 90000, 100000],
'gender': ['M', 'F', 'F', 'M', 'M', np.nan],
'marital_status': ['Single', 'Married', np.nan, 'Married', 'Single', 'Single']})

# Fill missing values with median

data_imputed = data.fillna(data.median())

# Print the original and imputed datasets

print("Original dataset:")
print(data)

```

```
print("\nImputed dataset:")
```

```
print(data_imputed)
```

The output of the above code in table form is shown below.

Original dataset

age	income	gender	marital_status
20	50000	M	Single
25	NaN	F	Married
30	70000	F	NaN
35	NaN	M	Married
NaN	90000	M	Single
45	100000	NaN	Single

Imputing missing values with machine learning algorithms

Machine-learning algorithms provide a sophisticated way to deal with missing values based on features of our data. For example, the KNNImputer class from the Scikit-learn library is a powerful way to impute missing values. Let's understand this with the help of a code example:

```
# Import pandas and numpy libraries
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np

# Create a sample dataset with missing values
df = pd.DataFrame({'name': ['Alice', 'Bob', 'Charlie', 'David', 'Eve'],
                    'age': [25, 30, np.nan, 40, 45],
                    'gender': ['F', 'M', 'M', np.nan, 'F'],
                    'salary': [5000, 6000, 7000, 8000, np.nan]})

# Print the original dataset
print('Original Dataset')
print(df)

# Import KNNImputer class from Scikit-Learn
```

```
from sklearn.impute import KNNImputer

# Create an instance of KNNImputer with default parameters
imputer = KNNImputer()

# Convert the categorical column gender to numeric values
df['gender'] = df['gender'].map({'F': 0, 'M': 1})

# Impute missing values with KNNImputer
df_imputed = imputer.fit_transform(df[['age', 'gender', 'salary']])

# Convert the imputed array back to a dataset
df_imputed = pd.DataFrame(df_imputed, columns=['age', 'gender', 'salary'])

# Add the name column back to the imputed dataset
df_imputed['name'] = df['name']

# Print the dataset after imputing with KNNImputer
print('Dataset after imputing with KNNImputer')
print(df_imputed)

# Importing pandas library
import pandas as pd

# Create a custom dataset with duplicate rows
data = pd.DataFrame({'name': ['John', 'Emily', 'Peter', 'John', 'Emily'],
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                     'income': [50000, 60000, 70000, 50000, 60000]})

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```

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# Print the original and deduplicated datasets  
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print(data)
```

```
print("\nDuplicate rows:")  
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```

```
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```

# Calculate the mean and standard deviation of the data

mean = data.mean()

std_dev = data.std()

# Identify outliers using the z-score method

threshold = 3

z_scores = ((data - mean) / std_dev).abs()

outliers = data[z_scores > threshold]

# Remove outliers

data_without_outliers = data[z_scores <= threshold]

# Print the original and cleaned datasets

print("Original dataset:")

print(data)

print("\nOutliers:")

print(outliers)

print("\nDataset without outliers:")

print(data_without_outliers)

```

In this example, we've created a custom dataset with outliers in the age column. We then apply the outlier handling technique to identify and remove outliers from the dataset. We first calculate the mean and standard deviation of the data, and then identify the outliers using the z-score method. The z-score is calculated for each observation in the dataset, and any observation that has a z-score greater than the threshold value (in this case, 3) is considered an outlier. Finally, we remove the outliers from the dataset.

The output of the above code in table form is shown below.

Original dataset

age	income
20	50000
25	60000
30	70000

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35    80000  
40    90000  
200   100000
```

Outliers

```
age    income  
200   100000
```

Dataset without outliers

```
age    income  
20    50000  
25    60000  
30    70000  
35    80000  
40    90000
```

The outlier (200) in the age column in the dataset without outliers is removed from the original dataset.

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Data Transformation

Data transformation is another method in data processing to improve data quality by modifying it. This transformation process involves converting the raw data into a more suitable format for analysis by adjusting the data's scale, distribution, or format.

Log transformation is used to reduce outliers' impact and transform skewed (a situation where the distribution of the target variable or class labels is highly imbalanced) data into a normal distribution. It's a widely used transformation technique that involves taking the natural logarithm of the data.

Square root transformation is another technique to transform skewed data into a normal distribution. It involves taking the square root of the data, which can help reduce the impact of outliers and improve the data distribution.

Let's look at an example:

```
# Import pandas and numpy libraries  
  
import pandas as pd  
  
import numpy as np  
  
# Create a custom dataset
```

```

data = pd.DataFrame({'age': [20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45],
'income': [50000, 60000, 70000, 80000, 90000, 100000],
'spending': [1, 4, 9, 16, 25, 36]})

# Apply square root transformation
data['sqrt_spending'] = np.sqrt(data['spending'])

# Print the original and transformed datasets
print("Original dataset:")
print(data)

print("\nTransformed dataset:")
print(data[['age', 'income', 'sqrt_spending']])

```

In this example, our custom dataset has a variable called spending. A significant outlier in this variable is causing skewness in the data. We're controlling this skewness in the spending variable. The square root transformation has transformed the skewed spending variable into a more normal distribution. Transformed values are stored in a new variable called sqrt_spending. The normal distribution of sqrt_spending is between 1.00000 to 6.00000, making it more suitable for data analysis.

The output of the above code in table form is shown below.

Original dataset

age	income	spending
20	50000	1
25	60000	4
30	70000	9
35	80000	16
40	90000	25
45	100000	36

Transformed dataset

age	income	sqrt_spending
20	50000	1.00000
25	60000	2.00000

30	70000	3.00000
35	80000	4.00000
40	90000	5.00000
45	100000	6.00000

Data Integration

The data integration technique combines data from various sources into a single, unified view. This helps to increase the completeness and diversity of the data, as well as resolve any inconsistencies or conflicts that may exist between the different sources. Data integration is helpful for data mining, enabling data analysis spread across multiple systems or platforms.

Let's suppose we have two datasets. One contains customer IDs and their purchases, while the other dataset contains information on customer IDs and demographics, as given below. We intend to combine these two datasets for a more comprehensive customer behavior analysis.

Customer Purchase Dataset

Customer ID	Purchase Amount
1	\$50
2	\$100
3	\$75
4	\$200

Customer Demographics Dataset

Customer ID	Age	Gender
1	25	Male
2	35	Female
3	30	Male
4	40	Female

To integrate these datasets, we need to map the common variable, the customer ID, and combine the data. We can use the Pandas library in Python to accomplish this:

```
# Import pandas library
import pandas as pd

# Load customer purchase dataset
purchase_data = pd.DataFrame({'Customer ID': [1, 2, 3, 4],
```

```
'Purchase Amount': [50, 100, 75, 200])
```

```
# Load customer demographics dataset

demographics_data = pd.DataFrame({'Customer ID': [1, 2, 3, 4],
                                    'Age': [25, 35, 30, 40],
                                    'Gender': ['Male', 'Female', 'Male', 'Female']})

# Merge the two datasets on customer ID

merged_data = pd.merge(purchase_data, demographics_data, on='Customer ID')

# Print the merged dataset

print(merged_data)
```

The output of the above code in table form is shown below.

Customer ID	Purchase Amount	Age	Gender
1	\$50	25	Male
2	\$100	35	Female
3	\$75	30	Male
4	\$200	40	Female

We've used the `merge()` function from the Pandas library. It merges the two datasets based on the common customer ID variable. It results in a unified dataset containing purchase information and customer demographics. This integrated dataset can now be used for more comprehensive analysis, such as analyzing purchasing patterns by age or gender.

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Data Reduction

Data reduction is one of the commonly used techniques in the data processing. It's used when we have a lot of data with plenty of irrelevant information. This method reduces data without losing the most critical information.

There are different methods of data reduction, such as those listed below.

Data cube aggregation involves summarizing or aggregating the data along multiple dimensions, such as time, location, product, and so on. This can help reduce the complexity and size of the data, as well as reveal higher-level patterns and trends.

Dimensionality reduction involves reducing the number of attributes or features in the data by selecting a subset of relevant features or transforming the original features into a lower-dimensional space. This can help remove noise and redundancy and improve the efficiency and accuracy of data mining algorithms.

Data compression involves encoding the data in a more minor form, by using techniques such as sampling, clustering,

histogram analysis, wavelet analysis, and so on. This can help reduce the data's storage space and transmission cost and speed up data processing.

Numerosity reduction replaces the original data with a more miniature representation, such as a parametric model (for example, regression, log-linear models, and so on) or a non-parametric model (such as histograms, clusters, and so on). This can help simplify the data structure and analysis and reduce the amount of data to be mined.

Data preprocessing is essential, because the quality of the data directly affects the accuracy and reliability of the analysis or model. By properly preprocessing the data, we can improve the performance of the machine learning models and obtain more accurate insights from the data.

Conclusion

Preparing data for machine learning is like getting ready for a big party. Like cleaning and tidying up a room, data preprocessing involves fixing inconsistencies, filling in missing information, and ensuring that all data points are compatible. Using techniques such as data cleaning, data transformation, data integration, and data reduction, we create a well-prepared dataset that allows computers to identify patterns and learn effectively.

It's recommended that we explore data in depth, understand data patterns and find the reasons for missingness in data before choosing an approach. Validation and test set are also important ways to evaluate the performance of different techniques.