

Ordered ordinal encoding: definition

 Categories are replaced by integers from 1 to k, where k is the number of distinct categories in the variable, but this numbering is informed by the mean of the target for each category.





Ordered ordinal encoding: example





Ordered ordinal encoding: Advantages

- Straightforward to implement
- Does not expand the feature space
- Creates monotonic relationship between categories and target



Ordered ordinal encoding: Limitations

May lead to over-fitting







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