

AI & ML INTERNSHIP

Task 1: Understanding Dataset & Data Types

Dataset Analysis Report (Students Performance Dataset)

1. Introduction

Understanding the dataset is a crucial step in the machine learning pipeline. Before building any predictive model, it is important to analyze the dataset structure, identify data types, detect data quality issues, and evaluate whether the dataset is suitable for machine learning tasks.

This report presents a detailed analysis of the **Students Performance Dataset** with respect to data types, feature distribution, and ML readiness.

2. Dataset Overview

The **Students Performance Dataset** contains academic performance records of students along with demographic and socio-economic attributes.

Each row represents a student, and each column represents a specific feature related to academic scores or background information.

3. Tools and Technologies Used

Python

Pandas

NumPy

Jupyter Notebook

These tools were used for data loading, inspection, and exploratory analysis.

4. Data Loading and Initial Inspection

The dataset was loaded using Pandas. The first and last few records were displayed to understand:

Column names

Type of values stored

Dataset structure

This step provides a high-level overview of the data.

5. Identification of Data Types

Based on column values and names, the dataset features were classified as follows:

Numerical Data:

math score

reading score

writing score

Categorical Data:

gender

race/ethnicity

parental level of education

lunch

test preparation course

There are no ordinal or binary variables explicitly present in this dataset.

6. Dataset Information and Statistical Summary

The dataset was analyzed using `df.info()` and `df.describe()`:

df.info() helped identify data types and check for missing values

df.describe() provided statistical insights such as mean, minimum, maximum, and standard deviation

The dataset was found to be clean with no missing values.

7. Categorical Data Distribution

Unique values and value counts were analyzed for categorical columns to understand class distribution.

This step helps detect dominance of certain categories that may influence model predictions.

8. Target Variable and Input Features

For machine learning suitability:

Target Variable:

math score (can also be reading score or writing score depending on the problem)

Input Features:

gender

race/ethnicity

parental level of education

lunch

test preparation course

reading score

writing score

This dataset is suitable for **regression problems**.

9. Dataset Size and ML Suitability

The dataset contains an adequate number of records and features, making it suitable for:

Regression modeling

Feature importance analysis

With proper preprocessing such as encoding categorical variables, it can be effectively used for machine learning.

10. Data Quality Observations

No missing values detected

Categorical features require encoding

Numerical features may require normalization

Overall, the dataset is clean and ML-ready.

11. Final Outcome

By completing this task, the dataset was successfully analyzed for:

Data structure

Feature classification

Data quality

ML readiness

This fulfills the objectives of **Task 1: Understanding Dataset & Data Types**.

✓ REQUIRED PYTHON CODE (Jupyter Notebook)

Use the following code **as-is** in your notebook.

1. Import Libraries

```
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
```

2. Load the Dataset

```
df = pd.read_csv("StudentsPerformance.csv")
```

3. Display First and Last Records

```
df.head()
```

```
[9]: import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
df = pd.read_csv("StudentsPerformance.csv")
df.head()
```

```
[9]:
```

	school	sex	age	address	famsize	Pstatus	Medu	Fedu	Mjob	Fjob	...	famrel	freetime	goout	Dalc	Walc	health	absences	G1	G2	G3
0	GP	F	18	U	GT3	A	4	4	at_home	teacher	...	4	3	4	1	1	3	6	5	6	6
1	GP	F	17	U	GT3	T	1	1	at_home	other	...	5	3	3	1	1	3	4	5	5	6
2	GP	F	15	U	LE3	T	1	1	at_home	other	...	4	3	2	2	3	3	10	7	8	10
3	GP	F	15	U	GT3	T	4	2	health	services	...	3	2	2	1	1	5	2	15	14	15
4	GP	F	16	U	GT3	T	3	3	other	other	...	4	3	2	1	2	5	4	6	10	10

5 rows × 33 columns

```
df.tail()
```

```
[10]: df.tail()
```

```
[10]:
```

	school	sex	age	address	famsize	Pstatus	Medu	Fedu	Mjob	Fjob	...	famrel	freetime	goout	Dalc	Walc	health	absences	G1	G2	G3
390	MS	M	20	U	LE3	A	2	2	services	services	...	5	5	4	4	5	4	11	9	9	9
391	MS	M	17	U	LE3	T	3	1	services	services	...	2	4	5	3	4	2	3	14	16	16
392	MS	M	21	R	GT3	T	1	1	other	other	...	5	5	3	3	3	3	3	10	8	7
393	MS	M	18	R	LE3	T	3	2	services	other	...	4	4	1	3	4	5	0	11	12	10
394	MS	M	19	U	LE3	T	1	1	other	at_home	...	3	2	3	3	3	5	5	8	9	9

5 rows × 33 columns

4. Dataset Information

```
df.info()
```

```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 395 entries, 0 to 394
Data columns (total 33 columns):
#   Column                Non-Null Count  Dtype
---  -
0   school                395 non-null    object
1   sex                   395 non-null    object
2   age                   395 non-null    int64
3   address               395 non-null    object
4   famsize               395 non-null    object
5   Pstatus               395 non-null    object
6   Medu                  395 non-null    int64
7   Fedu                  395 non-null    int64
8   Mjob                  395 non-null    object
9   Fjob                  395 non-null    object
10  reason                395 non-null    object
11  guardian              395 non-null    object
12  traveltime            395 non-null    int64
13  studytime             395 non-null    int64
14  failures              395 non-null    int64
15  schoolsup             395 non-null    object
16  famsup                395 non-null    object
17  paid                  395 non-null    object
18  activities            395 non-null    object
19  nursery               395 non-null    object
20  higher                395 non-null    object
21  internet              395 non-null    object
22  romantic              395 non-null    object
23  famrel               395 non-null    int64
24  freetime              395 non-null    int64
25  goout                 395 non-null    int64
26  Dalc                  395 non-null    int64
27  Walc                  395 non-null    int64
28  health                395 non-null    int64
```

5. Statistical Summary

df.describe()

```
[12]: df.describe()
```

[illegible]

6. Identify Data Types Manually

df.dtypes

```
[13]: df.dtypes
```

```
[13]: school      object
      sex        object
      age        int64
      address    object
      famsize    object
      Pstatus    object
      Medu       int64
      Fedu       int64
      Mjob       object
      Fjob       object
      reason     object
      guardian   object
      traveltime int64
      studytime  int64
      failures   int64
      schoolsup  object
      famsup     object
      paid       object
      activities object
      nursery    object
      higher     object
      internet   object
      romantic   object
      famrel     int64
      freetime   int64
      goout      int64
      Dalc       int64
      Walc       int64
      health     int64
      absences   int64
      G1         int64
      G2         int64
      G3         int64
      dtype: object
```

7. Check Unique Values in Categorical Columns

```
categorical_columns = df.select_dtypes(include='object').columns
for col in categorical_columns:
    print(f"\nUnique values in {col}:")
    print(df[col].value_counts())
```

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```

```
Unique values in school:
school
GP    349
MS     46
Name: count, dtype: int64
```

```
Unique values in sex:
sex
F    208
M    187
Name: count, dtype: int64
```

```
Unique values in address:
address
U    307
R     88
Name: count, dtype: int64
```

8. Check for Missing Values

`df.isnull().sum()`

```
[15]: df.isnull().sum()
```

```
[15]: school      0
      sex         0
      age         0
      address     0
      famsize     0
      Pstatus     0
      Medu        0
      Fedu        0
      Mjob        0
      Fjob        0
      reason      0
      guardian    0
      traveltime  0
      studytime   0
      failures    0
      schoolsup    0
      famsup      0
      paid        0
      activities  0
      nursery     0
      higher      0
      internet    0
      romantic    0
      famrel      0
      freetime    0
      goout       0
      Dalc        0
      Walc        0
      health      0
      absences    0
      G1          0
      G2          0
      G3          0
      dtype: int64
```

9. Dataset Shape

df.shape

```
[21]: df.shape
```

```
[21]: (395, 33)
```

12. Conclusion

This analysis provided a clear understanding of the Students Performance Dataset in terms of structure, feature types, and machine learning suitability. Performing this analysis before modeling ensures better data preparation and improved model performance.