

Efficient AI with Rust Lab
Rapid Time Series Datasets Library
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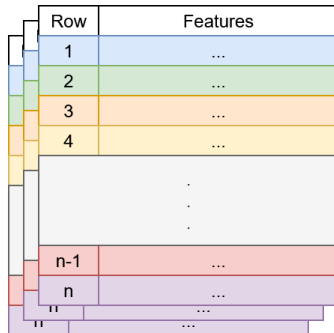
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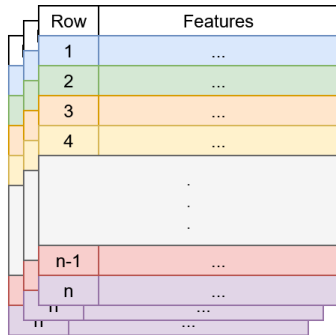
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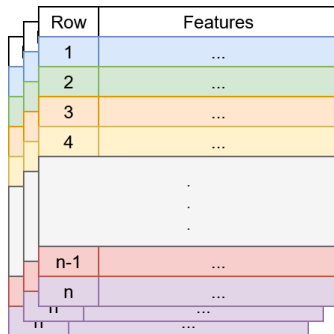
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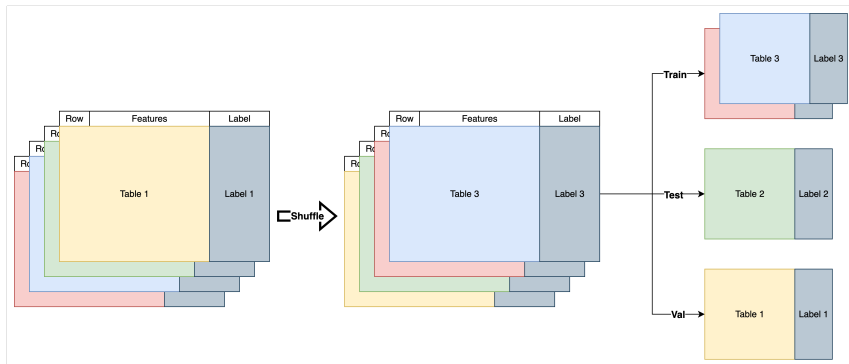
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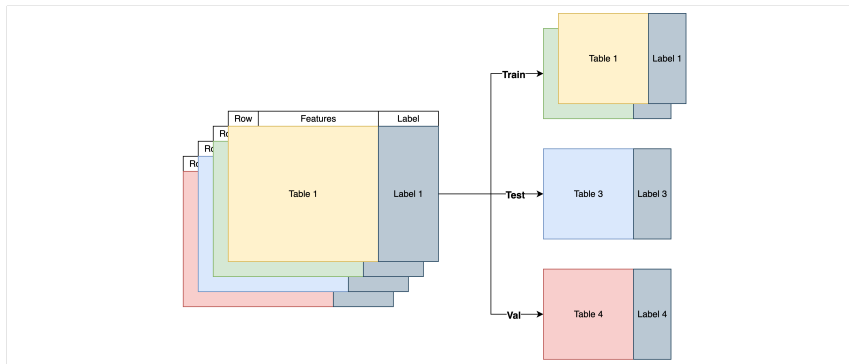
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Random split example

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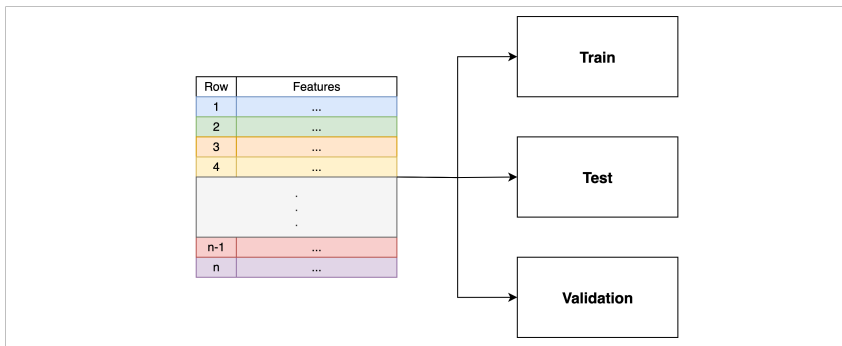
Works very similar to the random split, but it **doesn't shuffle** the dataset anymore.



In-Order split example

Splitting V (Temporal Split - Forecasting Data)

Similar to the in-order split, but this time we are dealing with forecasting data, which in most cases is only one instance and we split over **timesteps** and not instances anymore.



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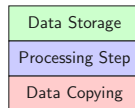
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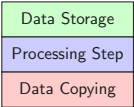
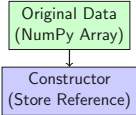
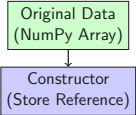
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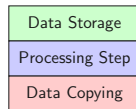
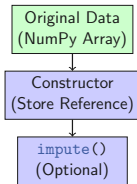
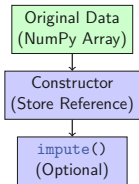
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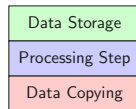
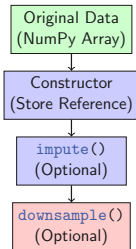
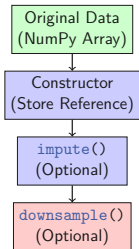
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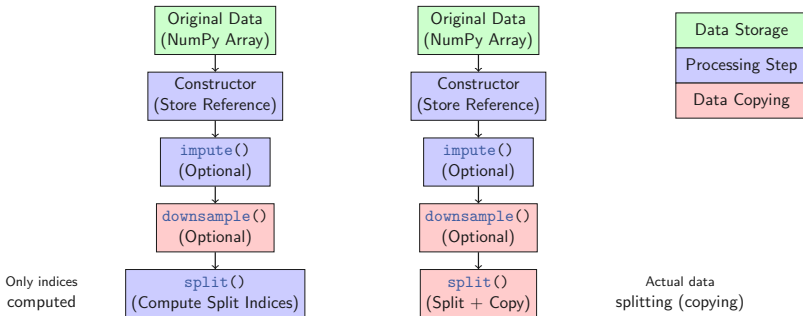
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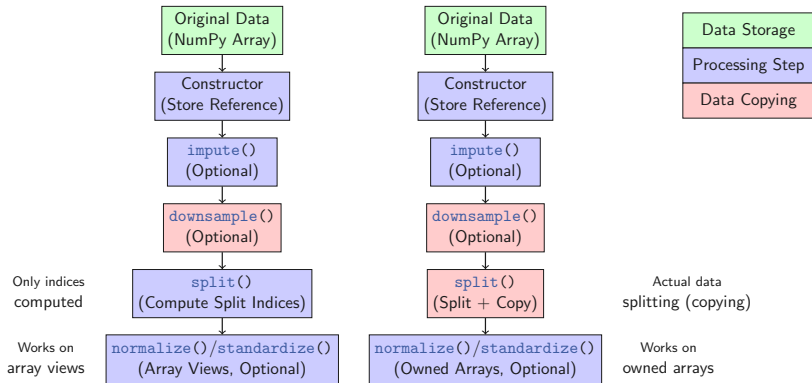
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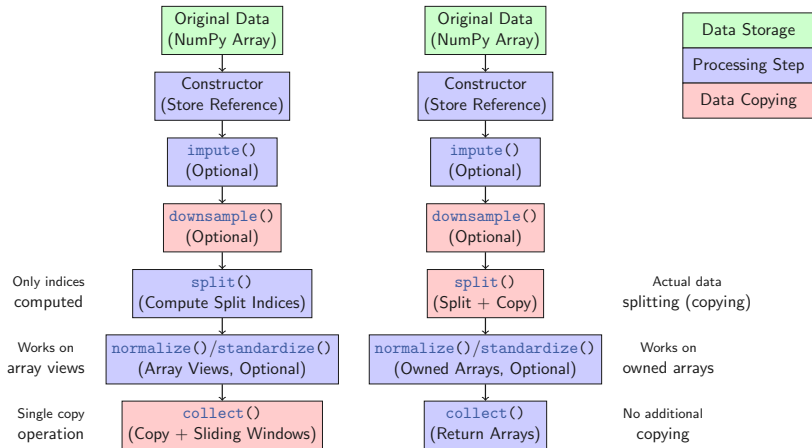
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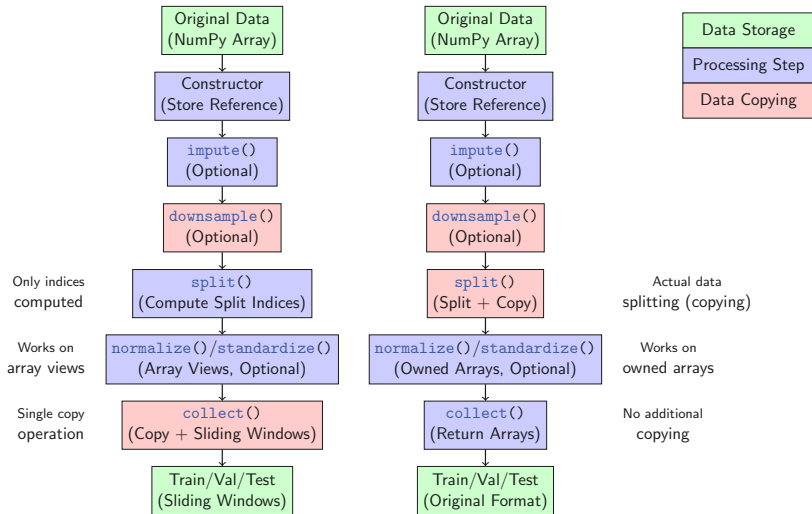
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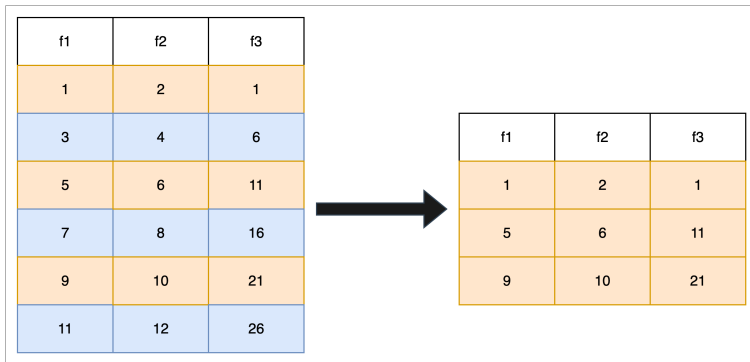
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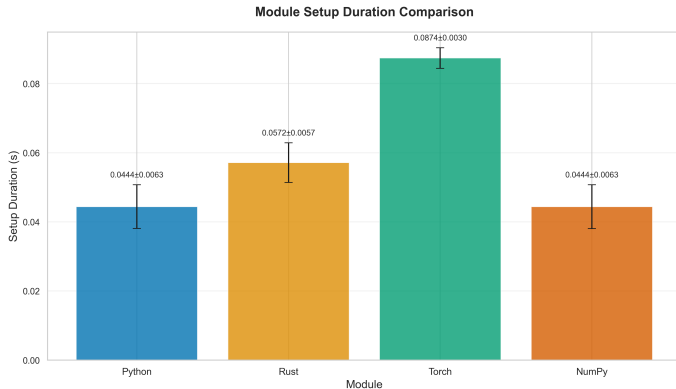
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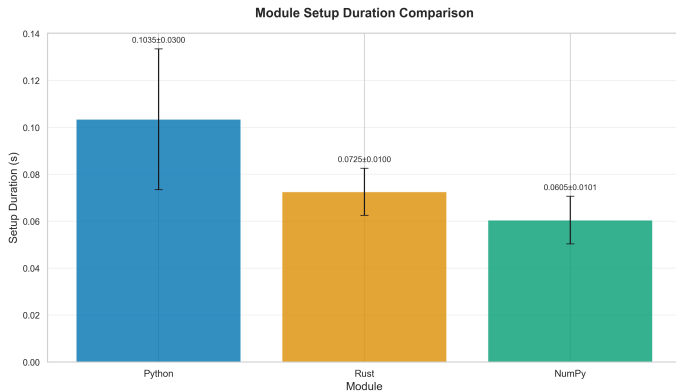
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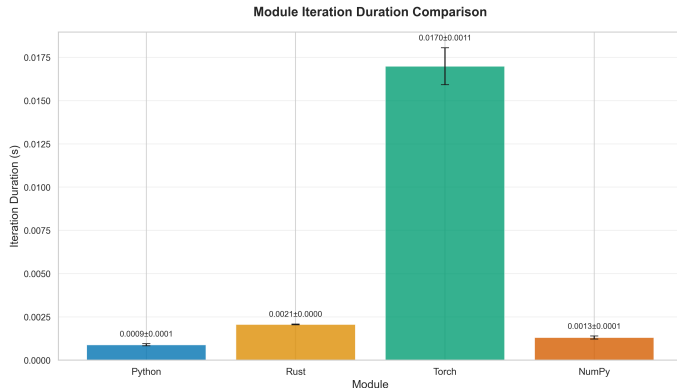
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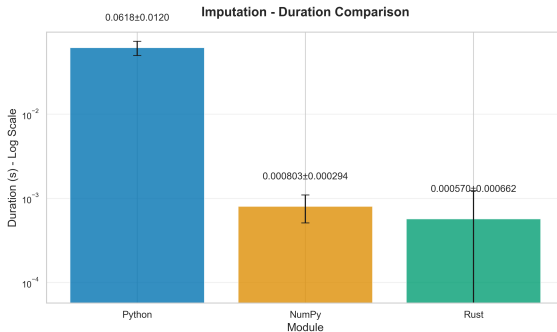
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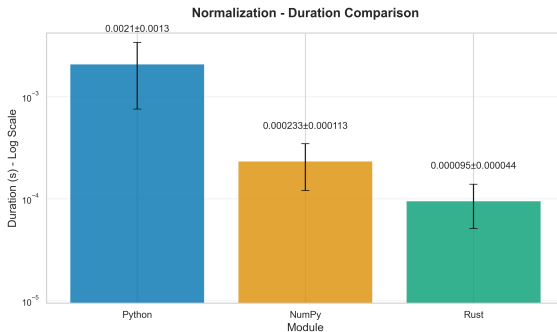
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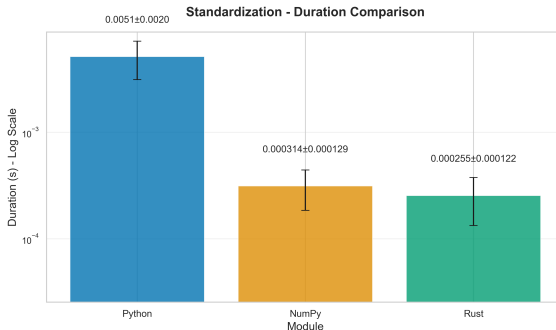
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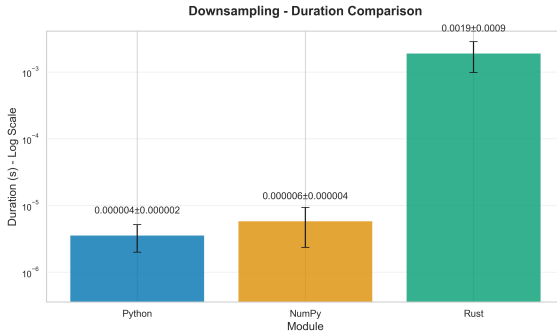
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