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## **Experiment No.2**

**Aim: To perform Data Preprocessing using Python.**

**Perform following operations using python**

- 1. Handling the missing values on (on age with median)**
- 2. remove duplicates**
- 3. encode categorical variables**
- 4 fix datatypes (e.g salary as float)**
- 5. Handle Outliers (eg age>100)**

### **Theory:**

In data science and machine learning, raw datasets are often incomplete, inconsistent, or contain errors. Such data cannot be directly used to build reliable models. Therefore, data preprocessing is an essential step that involves transforming raw data into a clean, structured, and usable format.

The main objectives of data preprocessing are to improve the quality of data, reduce noise, handle missing or inconsistent values, and prepare the dataset so that it can be effectively used by machine learning algorithms. Properly preprocessed data ensures that models give more accurate, efficient, and meaningful results.

### **Steps in Data Preprocessing**

#### **1. Data Cleaning**

- Handling missing values (replacing with mean, median, mode, or using predictive methods).
- Removing duplicates.
- Correcting inconsistent data formats.

#### **2. Data Transformation**

- Converting categorical values into numerical form using encoding techniques (Label Encoding, One-Hot Encoding).
- Scaling and normalizing numerical values so that features lie within a common range.

#### **3. Data Reduction**

- Reducing dimensionality by removing irrelevant or redundant features.
- Summarizing data without losing essential information.

#### **4. Data Integration**

- Combining data from multiple sources into a single dataset.

## 5. Data Discretization (if required)

- Converting continuous data into categorical intervals (e.g., age groups).

## Importance of Data Preprocessing

- Improves the accuracy of machine learning models.
- Handles inconsistencies and noise in the dataset.
- Ensures fair comparison of features with different scales.
- Saves time and resources during model training and evaluation.


## Dataset Used

In this experiment, the dataset provided (from Kaggle: *Data Preprocessing Dataset*) contains information with missing values, categorical variables, and numerical data. It is used to demonstrate various preprocessing techniques such as handling missing values, encoding categorical features, removing duplicates, fixing data types, and handling outliers.

## Code and Output

```
from google.colab import files
uploaded = files.upload()

import pandas as pd
import io
```

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Saving dmbi\_exp2\_dataset.csv to dmbi\_exp2\_dataset (2).csv


```
df = pd.read_csv(io.BytesIO(uploaded['dmbi_exp2_dataset (2).csv']))
df.head()
```



	Country	Age	Salary	Purchased
0	France	44.0	72000.0	No
1	Spain	27.0	48000.0	Yes
2	Germany	30.0	54000.0	No
3	Spain	38.0	61000.0	No
4	Germany	40.0	NaN	Yes

```
df = df.copy()
df['Age'] = pd.to_numeric(df['Age'], errors='coerce')

median_age = df['Age'].median()
df['Age'] = df['Age'].fillna(median_age)
df['Age'].isna().sum(), df['Age'].describe()
```

 (np.int64(0),  
count 10.000000  
mean 38.700000  
std 7.257946  
min 27.000000  
25% 35.500000  
50% 38.000000  
75% 43.000000  
max 50.000000  
Name: Age, dtype: float64)

```
[ ] before = df.shape[0]
df = df.drop_duplicates()
after = df.shape[0]
print(f"Removed {before - after} duplicate rows")
df.duplicated().sum()
```

➡ Removed 0 duplicate rows  
np.int64(0)

```
▶ cat_cols = df.select_dtypes(include=['object']).columns.tolist()
print("Categorical columns:", cat_cols)

df = pd.get_dummies(df, columns=cat_cols, drop_first=True)
df.head()
df.dtypes
df.columns
```

➡ Categorical columns: []  
Index(['Age', 'Salary', 'Country\_Germany', 'Country\_Spain', 'Purchased\_Yes'], dtype='object')

```
▶ if 'Salary' in df.columns:
    df['Salary'] = (
        df['Salary']
        .astype(str)
        .str.replace(r'^0-9.\-', '', regex=True)
    )
    df['Salary'] = pd.to_numeric(df['Salary'], errors='coerce')

df.dtypes
```

➡

	0
<b>Age</b>	float64
<b>Salary</b>	float64
<b>Country_Germany</b>	bool
<b>Country_Spain</b>	bool
<b>Purchased_Yes</b>	bool

dtype: object

```
[ ] median_age = df['Age'].median()
outliers_mask = df['Age'] > 100
print("Ages > 100:", outliers_mask.sum())
df.loc[outliers_mask, 'Age'] = median_age
```

➡ Ages > 100: 0

```
[ ] upper_cap = 100
df['Age'] = df['Age'].clip(upper=upper_cap)
(df['Age'] > 100).sum(), df['Age'].describe()
```

```
➡ (np.int64(0),
   count    10.000000
   mean     38.700000
   std       7.257946
   min      27.000000
   25%      35.500000
   50%      38.000000
   75%      43.000000
   max      50.000000
   Name: Age, dtype: float64)
```

```
▶ print("Shape:", df.shape)
print("Nulls:\n", df.isna().sum())
print("Dtypes:\n", df.dtypes)
```

```
➡ Shape: (10, 5)
Nulls:
   Age      0
   Salary  1
   Country_Germany  0
   Country_Spain  0
   Purchased_Yes  0
dtype: int64
Dtypes:
   Age      float64
   Salary  float64
   Country_Germany  bool
   Country_Spain  bool
   Purchased_Yes  bool
dtype: object
```

## Conclusion

This experiment highlighted the crucial role of data preprocessing in transforming raw, inconsistent data into a clean and structured form suitable for analysis. By addressing missing values, encoding categorical variables, correcting data types, removing duplicates, and handling outliers, the dataset was significantly improved in quality and reliability. Effective preprocessing not only enhances the accuracy of machine learning models but also ensures that insights derived from the data are valid and trustworthy. Overall, this experiment demonstrated that preprocessing is the foundation for successful data analysis and model building.