



CLASSIFICATION PROBLEM

AUSTRALIAN RAIN

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Data Set

5 Categorical
14 Numerical
2 Boolean

Dropped columns

Sunshine (47.7% missing values)
Evaporation (42.8% missing values)

Notable

Rainfall (63.5% missing values)
Date string was converted to timestamp

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MinTemp             141556 non-null float64
MaxTemp             141871 non-null float64
Rainfall            140787 non-null float64
Evaporation         81350 non-null float64
Sunshine            74377 non-null float64
WindGustDir         132863 non-null object
WindGustSpeed       132923 non-null float64
WindDir9am          132180 non-null object
WindDir3pm          138415 non-null object
WindSpeed9am        140845 non-null float64
WindSpeed3pm        139563 non-null float64
Humidity9am         140419 non-null float64
Humidity3pm         138583 non-null float64
Pressure9am         128179 non-null float64
Pressure3pm         128212 non-null float64
Cloud9am            88536 non-null float64
Cloud3pm            85099 non-null float64
Temp9am             141289 non-null float64
Temp3pm             139467 non-null float64
RainToday           140787 non-null object
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Used `np.mean()` to fill na values

MinTemp
MaxTemp
Temp9am
Temp3pm
WindGustSpeed
WindSpeed9am
WindSpeed3pm

Data Set

Used mode to fill na values

WindGustDir
WindDir9am
WindDir3pm

Changed to boolean values

RainToday
RainTomorrow

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ENCODING CATEGORICAL DATA

```
import category_encoders as ce
binary_encoder = ce.BinaryEncoder(cols=['WindGustDir', 'WindDir9am', 'WindDir3pm', 'Location'])
encoded_data = binary_encoder.fit_transform(data)
```

WindGustDir_0	WindGustDir_1	WindGustDir_2	WindGustDir_3	WindGustDir_4
0	0	0	0	1
0	0	0	1	0
0	0	0	1	1
0	0	1	0	0
0	0	0	0	1
0	0	0	1	0
0	0	0	0	1
0	0	0	0	1
0	0	1	0	1

LOGISTIC REGRESSION

BASIC LOGISTIC REGRESSION

```
lr_model = LogisticRegression()  
lr_model.fit(x_train, y_train)  
  
LogisticRegression(C=1.0, class_weight=None, dual=False, fit_intercept=True,  
                    intercept_scaling=1, l1_ratio=None, max_iter=100,  
                    multi_class='auto', n_jobs=None, penalty='l2',  
                    random_state=None, solver='lbfgs', tol=0.0001, verbose=0,  
                    warm_start=False)  
  
y_pred = lr_model.predict(x_test)  
y_pred  
  
array([0, 0, 0, ..., 0, 0, 0])  
  
from sklearn.metrics import accuracy_score  
  
acc_log = round(accuracy_score(y_test, y_pred) * 100, 2)  
acc_log  
  
77.56
```

LOGISTIC REGRESSION

TUNING WITH C, TOL, RANDOM STATE

```
c_param_range = [0.001, 0.01, 0.1, 1, 10, 100]
```

```
for i in c_param_range:
    lr_model2 = LogisticRegression(C=i, tol=0.5, random_state=0)
    lr_model2.fit(x_train, y_train)
    y_pred = lr_model2.predict(x_test)

    accuracy = accuracy_score(y_test, y_pred)
    print(str(i) + ": " + str(accuracy))
```

```
0.001: 0.7755898589964485
0.01: 0.7755898589964485
0.1: 0.7755898589964485
1: 0.7755898589964485
10: 0.7755898589964485
100: 0.7755898589964485
```

STOCHASTIC GRADIENT DESCENT

```
from sklearn.linear_model import SGDClassifier

sgd_model = SGDClassifier()
sgd_model.fit(x_train, y_train)

y_pred = sgd_model.predict(x_test)
acc_sgd = round(sgd_model.score(x_train, y_train) * 100, 2)
acc_sgd
```

77.59



Feature Selection

BACKWARD SELECTION

```
for name, value in raintom_corr.iteritems():
    features.append(name)
    if len(features) == len(encoded_data.columns):
        break

fdata = encoded_data.drop(features, axis=1)

train, test = train_test_split(fdata, test_size=0.20, random_state=31)

x_train = train.drop(['RainTomorrow'], axis=1)
y_train = train['RainTomorrow']

x_test = test.drop(['RainTomorrow'], axis=1)
y_test = test['RainTomorrow']
lr_model = LogisticRegression(tol=0.5, max_iter=10000)
lr_model.fit(x_train, y_train)
y_pred = lr_model.predict(x_test)

accuracy = accuracy_score(y_test, y_pred)
print(str(accuracy) + ": " + str(x_train.columns.values))
print('*'*80)
print('removed: ' + str(features))
print('-'*80)
```

```
-----  
0.7755898589964485:  
['Location_1' 'Location_2' 'Location_3' 'Location_4' 'Location_5'  
 'MinTemp' 'MaxTemp' 'Rainfall' 'WindGustDir_1' 'WindGustDir_2'  
 'WindGustDir_3' 'WindGustSpeed' 'WindDir9am_0' 'WindDir9am_2'  
 'WindDir9am_3' 'WindDir3pm_0' 'WindDir3pm_2' 'WindDir3pm_3'  
 'WindDir3pm_4' 'WindSpeed9am' 'WindSpeed3pm' 'Humidity9am' 'Humidity3pm'  
 'Cloud9am' 'Cloud3pm' 'Temp9am' 'Temp3pm' 'RainToday' 'DateTimestamp']  
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```

```
0.832589050247899:  
['Location_1' 'Location_2' 'Location_3' 'Location_4' 'Location_5'  
 'MinTemp' 'MaxTemp' 'Rainfall' 'WindGustDir_1' 'WindGustDir_2'  
 'WindGustDir_3' 'WindGustSpeed' 'WindDir9am_0' 'WindDir9am_2'  
 'WindDir9am_3' 'WindDir3pm_0' 'WindDir3pm_2' 'WindDir3pm_3'  
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 'Cloud9am' 'Cloud3pm' 'Temp9am' 'Temp3pm' 'RainToday']  
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```
0.8325538872674848:  
['Location_1' 'Location_3' 'Location_4' 'Location_5' 'MinTemp' 'MaxTemp'  
 'Rainfall' 'WindGustDir_1' 'WindGustDir_2' 'WindGustSpeed' 'WindDir9am_0'  
 'WindDir9am_2' 'WindDir9am_3' 'WindDir3pm_0' 'WindDir3pm_2'  
 'WindDir3pm_3' 'WindDir3pm_4' 'WindSpeed9am' 'WindSpeed3pm' 'Humidity9am'  
 'Humidity3pm' 'Cloud9am' 'Cloud3pm' 'Temp9am' 'Temp3pm' 'RainToday']  
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```
0.8329406800520412:  
['Location_1' 'Location_3' 'Location_4' 'Location_5' 'MinTemp' 'MaxTemp'  
 'Rainfall' 'WindGustDir_1' 'WindGustSpeed' 'WindDir9am_0' 'WindDir9am_2'  
 'WindDir9am_3' 'WindDir3pm_0' 'WindDir3pm_2' 'WindDir3pm_3'  
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 'Cloud9am' 'Cloud3pm' 'Temp9am' 'Temp3pm' 'RainToday']  
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```
0.833538450719083:  
['Location_1' 'Location_3' 'Location_4' 'Location_5' 'MinTemp' 'MaxTemp'  
 'Rainfall' 'WindGustDir_1' 'WindGustSpeed' 'WindDir9am_0' 'WindDir9am_2'  
 'WindDir3pm_0' 'WindDir3pm_2' 'WindDir3pm_3' 'WindDir3pm_4'  
 'WindSpeed9am' 'WindSpeed3pm' 'Humidity9am' 'Humidity3pm' 'Cloud9am'  
 'Cloud3pm' 'Temp9am' 'Temp3pm' 'RainToday']  
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```
0.8330461689932839:  
['Location_1' 'Location_3' 'Location_4' 'Location_5' 'MinTemp' 'MaxTemp'  
 'Rainfall' 'WindGustDir_1' 'WindGustSpeed' 'WindDir9am_0' 'WindDir9am_2'  
 'WindDir3pm_0' 'WindDir3pm_3' 'WindDir3pm_4' 'WindSpeed9am'  
 'WindSpeed3pm' 'Humidity9am' 'Humidity3pm' 'Cloud9am' 'Cloud3pm'  
 'Temp9am' 'Temp3pm' 'RainToday']  
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0.8328351911107985:  
['Location_1' 'Location_3' 'Location_5' 'MinTemp' 'MaxTemp' 'Rainfall'  
 'WindGustDir_1' 'WindGustSpeed' 'WindDir9am_0' 'WindDir9am_2'  
 'WindDir3pm_0' 'WindDir3pm_3' 'WindDir3pm_4' 'WindSpeed9am'  
 'WindSpeed3pm' 'Humidity9am' 'Humidity3pm' 'Cloud9am' 'Cloud3pm'  
 'Temp9am' 'Temp3pm' 'RainToday']  
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```



Summary

- Binary Encoding
category_encoders package in Python.
- Don't blindly fillna with zeros
Zero temperature doesn't make sense in Australia does it? or does it?
- Binary vs Dummy variables
Depending on your data one might make more sense than the other.
- Feature Selection
Greatly improves accuracy. (77.59 -> 83.35)

References



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Rain in Australia: Predict rain tomorrow in Australia

Thank you

Questions?
