

CS 6240 Final Project

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1. Data Engineering

How to clean the data and give it as input for Machine Learning library

- Remove less important columns
- One hot encoding – for logistic regression
- Convert the values of certain columns
- Handle missing values in different columns (Birds, Distance etc.)
- Convert each column to float and target column to binary

Removing Columns

- Columns that are not going to help in prediction

SAMPLING_EVENT_ID - <Reason>

LOC_ID, DAY

COUNTRY

STATE_PROVINCE

COUNTY

OBSERVER_ID

GROUP_ID

BAILEY_ECOREGION

OMERNIK_L3_ECOREGION

SUBNATIONAL2_CODE

- Filter rows by PRIMARY_CHECKLIST_FLAG

One-Hot Encoding

Converting columns with categorical feature to work better with Logistic Regression

- COUNT_TYPE: Categorical column with 20 different values encoded as 20 different columns.
- TIME: Split into four columns, each represents one 6 hour slot.

Convert Values

Convert the values and merge certain columns together so Machine Learning library learns better.

- YEAR: Converted into odd/even
- LONGITUDE, LATITUDE: Converted into xyz plane
- ELEV_GT, ELEV_NED: Dropped and replaced with average of the two
- CAUS_*, CAUS_*_MM: Dropped around 60 columns by replacing CAUS_* values with the value of particular month (MONTH) from CAUS_*_MM
- NLCD_* - Replace them with corresponding year rather than having all the columns

Handle Missing Values

Birds

- ? And other values are replaced with 0
- x replaced with `rand(2, 10)`

Others

- ? Replaced with 0

Normalize the values

Correlation/Sampling

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Thank You!