

Data Preparation with Python

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Data Preparation



Terminology: Data table

inputs target

Age	Income	Gender	Province	Purchase
25	25,000	Female	Bangkok	Yes
35	50,000	Female	Nontaburi	Yes
32	35,000	Male	Bangkok	No

■ Row

Example, instance, case, observation, subject



■ Column

■ Feature, variable, attribute

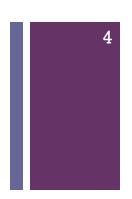
■ Input

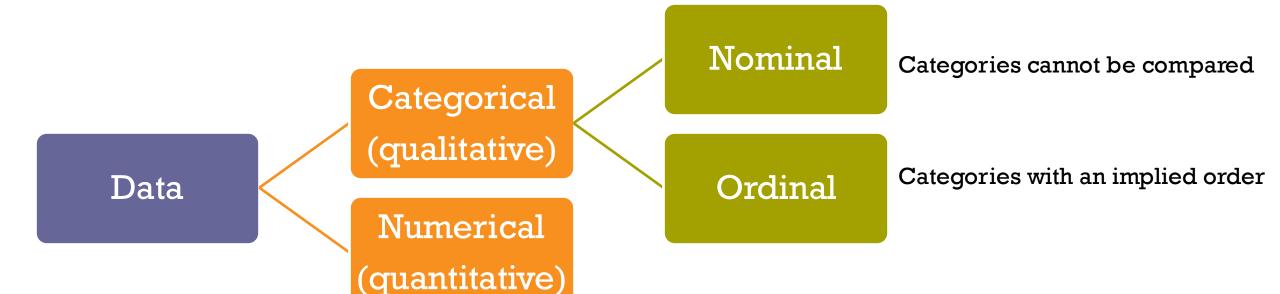
Predictor, independent, explanatory variable

■ Target

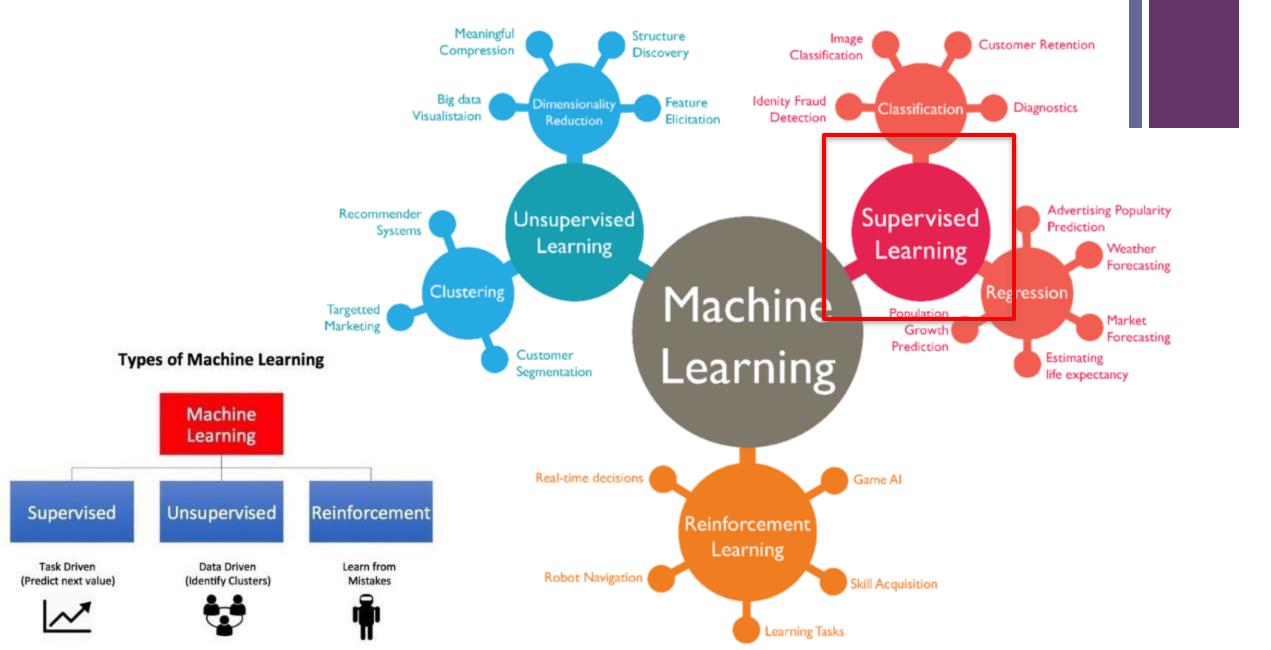
Output, outcome, response, dependent variable

Terminology: Kinds of data



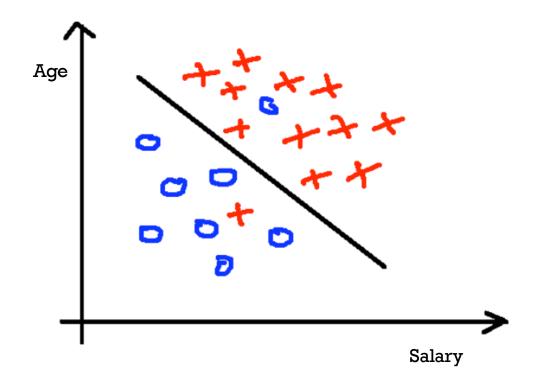


+ Machine Learning (cont.)



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Classification: predicting a category Logistic Regression



Predict targeted customers who tend to buy our product (yes/no)

■ Some techniques:

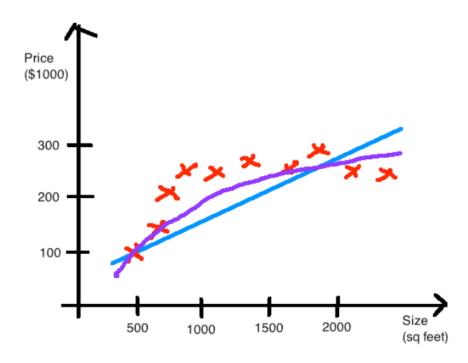
- Naïve Bayes
- Decision Tree
- Logistic Regression
- Support Vector Machines
- Neural Network
- Ensembles

■ Sample Applications

- Database marketing
- Fraud detection
- Pattern detection
- Churn customer detection



Regression: predict a continuous value Linear Regression



Predict a sale price of each house

■ Some techniques:

- Linear Regression / GLM
- Decision Trees
- Support vector regression
- Neural Network
- Ensembles

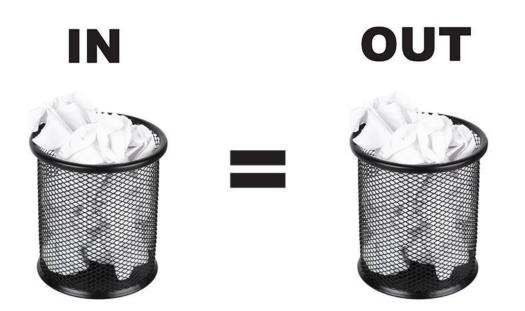
■ Sample Applications

- Financial risk management
- Revenue forecasting

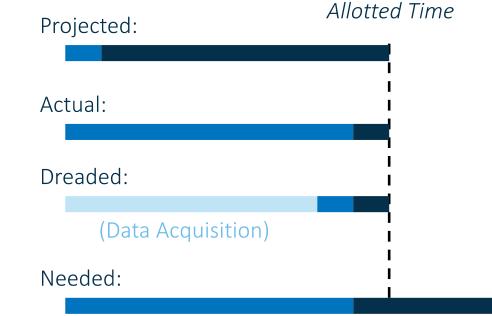




Data preparation is very important!







Data Preparation

Data Analysis



Analytics workflow

Define analytic objective

Analytic workflow

Select cases

Extract input data

Validate input data Repair input data

Transform input data

Apply analysis

Integrate deployment Generate deployment methods

Gather results

Assess observed results

Refine analytic objective



Data preparation challenges



■ Massive data sets



■ Temporal infidelity



■ Transaction and event data

$$\hat{y} = \widehat{w}_0 + \widehat{w}_1 x_1 + \widehat{w}_2 x_2$$



■ Non-numeric data

Spend



■ Exceptional, extreme, and missing $= 500 + 2 \times Age + 3 \times Province$



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Preparing and Cleaning Data for Machine Learning

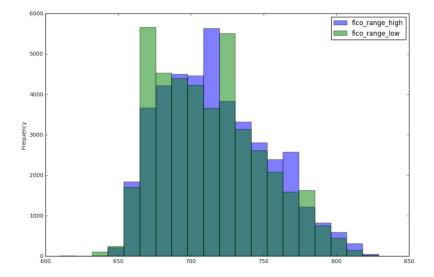
- 1) Examining the Data Set
- 2) Narrowing down columns manually
 - Remove Id's
 - Irrelevant variables
 - Remove zipcode & date
 - Temporal infidelity (data from future)
 - Calculated variables
 - Decide target
 - Select studied cases
 - Distribution of target variables
 - Remove flat values

- 3) Preparing features for ML
 - Preview data
 - Handling missing values
 - Drop unqualified features
 - Investigate categorical features
 - Drop too many unique values (treat as Id)
 - Convert ordinal to numeric
 - Convert categorical to numeric
 - Check all numeric variables
- 4) Other preprocessing steps:
 - Train/Test/Validate

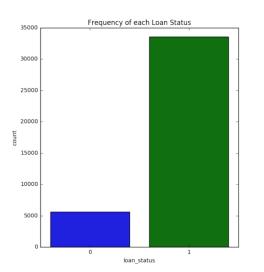


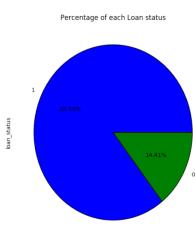
1) Examining the Data Set

- Numerical variables
 - Out of ranges
 - Distribution: histogram



- Categorical variables
 - Miscodes
 - Distribution: frequency table, bar chart
- Target variable
 - Understand class distribution (proportion of each class): bar chart, pie chart





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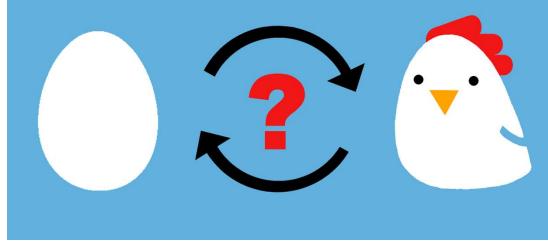
2) Narrowing down columns: Feature understanding is extremely important!

Remove irrelevant features manually



Domain expert







2) Narrowing down columns (cont.): Remove unqualified features

- Remove unqualified features
- ID's (lack of generalization; overfit)
- Variables with missing values > 50%
- Categorical variables
 - Too many unique values (treat as ID's)
 - Flat values (underfit)

- Special ways to treat these data
- High cardinalities of categorical inputs
 - Recode, consolidation (grouping)
- Zip code
 - Distance to closet branch
- Date/time
 - Recency
 - Month, day of week, year
 - Hours, period of days



2) Narrowing down columns (cont.): Remove temporal Infidelity features

- Occurs when the input variables contain information that will be unavailable at the time that the prediction model is deployed.
- Assume that the model will be deployed in July-2017
 - Should we include a variable called "FICO2017", which is calculated at the end of the year?



2) Narrowing down columns (cont.): Remove leaking-target features

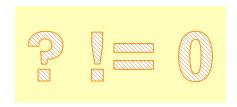
Target variables quantify account responses during the current campaign season.

Name	Label	Description
B_TGT	Tgt Binary New Product	A binary target variable. Accounts coded with a 1 contracted for at least one product in the previous campaign season. Accounts coded with a zero did not contract for a product in the previous campaign season.
INT_TGT	Tgt Interval New Sales	The amount of the financial services products (sum of sales) per account in the previous campaign season, denominated in US dollars.
CNT_TGT	Tgt Count Number New Products	The number of the financial services products (count) per account in the previous campaign season.



3) Preparing features for ML (cont.):

3.1 Impute missing values



$$\hat{y} = \hat{w}_0 + \hat{w}_1 x_1 + \hat{w}_2 x_2$$

 $Spend = 500 + 10 \times IncomeK - 20 \times Age$



- For missing in target, those examples must be removed.
- For missing in inputs, either remove those examples or impute missing values

- 1) Statistical approach
- Numerical variables:
 - Mean
 - Median
- Categorical variables:
 - Mode (most-frequent)
- Stats by group can improve the performance, e.g., income by age group.
- 2) Model-based approach
 - $x1 \sim (x2, x3, x4, ...)$
 - Income ~ Age
 - Tree-based imputation

$Spend = 500 + 10 \times IncomeK - 20 \times Age + 3 \times Province$

3) Preparing features for ML (cont.): 3.2 Categorical to numeric variables

- Ordinal variable
 - Enumerate

Grade	GradeNum
Α	4.00
B+	3.50
В	3.00
C+	2.50
С	2.00
D+	1.50
D	1.00
F	0.00

Size	SizeNum
XL	5
L	4
M	3
S	2
XS	1

- Nominal variable
 - (1) One-hot vector (dummy codes)
 - (2) Target Averaging (prob)
 - (3) Weight of Evidence (WoE)
 - (4) Smoothed weight of evidence (SWoE)



(1) One-hot vector (dummy codes)

■ Dummy coding = (n-1) dummy codes

Branch 🔻	BranchNum	D_BKK □	B_Patum	D_Non □	D_BKK □	B_Patum 🗖	
BKK	1	1	0	0	1	0	
Patumtani	2	0	1	0	0	1	
Nontaburi	3	0	0	1	0	0	reference

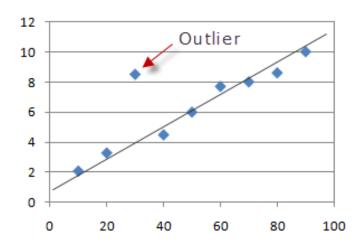
(1) One-hot vector (dummy codes) – Example2

Level	D_A	D_B	D_C	D_D	D_E	D_F	D_G	D_H	D_{l}
A	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
В	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
D	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
E	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
F	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
G	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
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I	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1

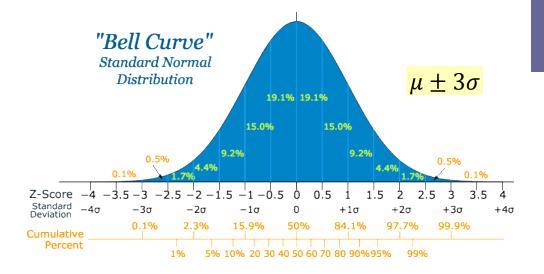


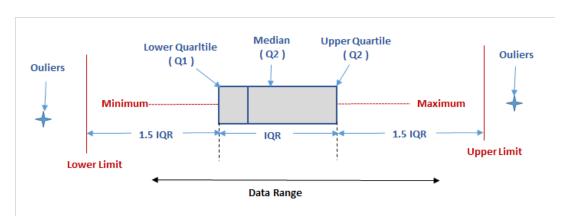
3) Preparing features for ML (cont.):

3.3 Truncate outliers



■ Outlier, leverage points, extreme values





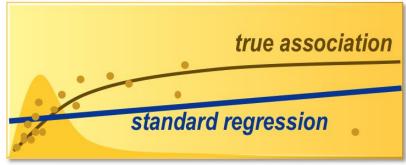
1st 2.5th 5th 10th 25th 50th
5th 10th 25th 50th
10th 25th 50th
25th 50th
50th
7545
75th
90th
95th
97.5th
99th



3) Preparing features for ML (cont.):

3.4 Feature transformation

Original Input Scale





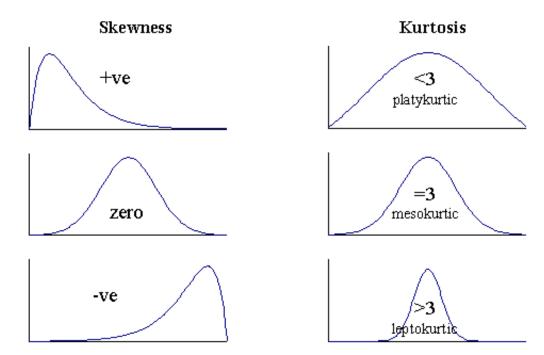
skewed input distribution

high leverage points

■ Skewness

Example: Salary, Balance in bank account

■ Solutions: Log, Binning



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3) Preparing features for ML (cont.): 3.4 Feature transformation - Log

	Spending	Spending with outliers	LOG10(Spending)	LOG10(Spending with outliers)
	2,500.00	2,500.00	3.40	3.40
	2,900.00	2,900.00	3.46	3.46
	3,200.00	3,200.00	3.51	3.51
	4,000.00	4,000.00	3.60	3.60
	4,500.00	4,500.00	3.65	3.65
	6,200.00	6,200.00	3.79	3.79
		10,000,000.00		7.00
mean	3,883.33	1,431,900.00	3.57	4.06

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3) Preparing features for ML (cont.):

3.4 Feature transformation - Binning

	Spending	Spending with outliers	LOG10(Spending)	LOG10(Spending with outliers)	Binning (Spending)	LOG10(Spending with outliers)
	2,500.00	2,500.00	3.40	3.40	1	1
	2,900.00	2,900.00	3.46	3.46	1	1
	3,200.00	3,200.00	3.51	3.51	2	2
	4,000.00	4,000.00	3.60	3.60	2	2
	4,500.00	4,500.00	3.65	3.65	2	2
	6,200.00	6,200.00	3.79	3.79	3	3
		10,000,000.00		7.00		3
mean	3,883.33	1,431,900.00	3.57	4.06	1.83	2.00



3) Preparing features for ML (cont.): 3.5 Feature engineering

- Feature engineering
 - Calculated variables
 - Behavior from transactional data (RFM/RFA)

Recency



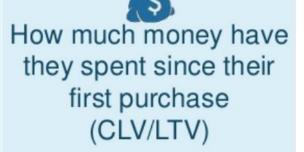
The time when they last placed an order

Frequency



How many orders they have placed in the given period

Monetary Value





3) Preparing features for ML (cont.):

3.5 Feature engineering (cont.)

- Feature engineering
 - Calculated variables
 - Behavior from transactional data (RFM/RFA)



Transaction





Frequency

monetary

RFM ANALYSIS

Recency

The time when they last placed an order

Frequency



How many orders they have placed in the given period

Monetary Value



How much money have they spent since their first purchase (CLV/LTV)





Recency score



4) Other preprocessing steps: Train/Test – Overfitting issue on train

Training Data



	inpi	ıts		target
Age	Income	Gender	Province	Purchase
25	25,000	Female	Bangkok	Yes
35	50,000	Female	Nontaburi	Yes
32	35,000	Male	Bangkok	No

Testing Data



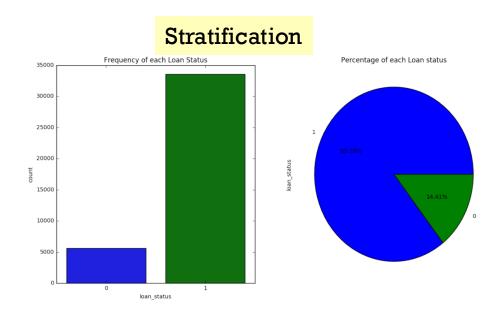
Age	Income	Gender	Province	Purchase
25	25,000	Female	Bangkok	?



4) Other preprocessing steps: Train/Test/Validate (cont.)

Simple random sample







Remark: Random Seed

- The experiment must be able to reconstruct (replicate).
- All randoms must be assigned a radom seed.
 - random.seed(12345)
 - random_state option



Other data preparation processes



- Impute missing values
- Outlier detections
- Feature transformation
 - Skewness
- Split train/test
 - Simple random sampling
 - Stratification

- Feature clustering
- Feature selection
 - Statistical approach
 - Model-based approach



1.13.2. Univariate feature selection ¶

Univariate feature selection works by selecting the best features based on univariate statistical tests. It can be seen as a preprocessing step to an estimator. Scikit-learn exposes feature selection routines as objects that implement the transform method:

- SelectKBest removes all but the k highest scoring features
- SelectPercentile removes all but a user-specified highest scoring percentage of features
- using common univariate statistical tests for each feature: false positive rate **SelectFpr**, false discovery rate **SelectFdr**, or family wise error **SelectFwe**.
- **GenericUnivariateSelect** allows to perform univariate feature selection with a configurable strategy. This allows to select the best univariate selection strategy with hyper-parameter search estimator.

For instance, we can perform a χ^2 test to the samples to retrieve only the two best features as follows:

```
>>> from sklearn.feature_selection import SelectKBest
>>> from sklearn.feature_selection import chi2
>>> X, y = load_iris(return_X_y=True)
>>> X.shape
(150, 4)
```

https://scikit-learn.org/stable/modules/feature_selection.html

These objects take as input a scoring function that returns univariate scores and p-values (or only scores for SelectKBest and SelectPercentile):

- For regression: r_regression, f_regression, mutual_info_regression
- For classification: chi2, f_classif, mutual_info_classif

>>> X_new = SelectKBest(chi2, k=2).fit_transform(X, y)

>>> X_new_shape

(150, 2)

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Quick Decision Table

Target			Input	
Task Type	Linear Relationship	Non-linear Relationship	Feature Type	Suggested score_func
Classification	$\overline{\checkmark}$	×	Continuous	f_classif
Classification	×		Mixed (encoded)	mutual_info_classif
Classification		×	Non-negative counts	chi2
Regression	▽	×	Continuous	f_regression
Regression	×		Mixed (encoded)	mutual_info_regression
	Image Customer Retention and Classification Diagnostics	Parameters: score_func : callable, default=f_class	sif	

only works with classification tasks.

Function taking two arrays X and y, and returning a pair of arrays (scores, pvalues) or a single array with scores. Default is f_classif (see below "See Also"). The default function



Regression

 $y (cont.) \sim x (cont.)$ correlation

These objects take as input a scoring function that returns univariate scores and p-values (or only scores for SelectKBest and SelectPercentile):

- For regression: r_regression, f_regression, mutual_info_regression
- For classification: chi2, f_classif, mutual info classif

 $y (cont.) \sim x (cont.)$ Linear regression

sklearn.feature_selection.r_regression

sklearn.feature selection.r regression(X, y, *, center=True, force_finite=True)

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F-test reference

http://facweb.cs.depaul.edu/sjost/csc423/documents/f-test-reg.htm

Compute Pearson's r for each features and the target.

Pearson's r is also known as the Pearson correlation coefficient.

Linear model for testing the individual effect of each of many regressors. This is a selection procedure, not a free standing feature selection procedure.

The cross correlation between each regressor and the target is computed as:

E[(X[:, i] - mean(X[:, i])) * (y - mean(y))] / (std(X[:, i]) * std(y))

For more on usage see the User Guide.

New in version 1.0.

Parameters:

- X : {array-like, sparse matrix} of shape (n_samples, n_feature The data matrix.
- y : array-like of shape (n_samples,)

The target vector.

center : bool, default=True

Whether or not to center the data matrix X and the target vec-

force_finite : bool, default=True

Whether or not to force the Pearson's R correlation to be finite in X or the target y are constant, the Pearson's R correlation i correlation of np.nan is returned to acknowledge this case. W forced to a minimal correlation of 0.0

New in version 1.1.

Returns:

correlation_coefficient : ndarray of shape (n_features,) Pearson's R correlation coefficients of features.

sklearn.feature_selection.f_regression

sklearn.feature selection.f regression(X, y, *, center=True, force_finite=True)

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 $y (cont.) \sim x (cont., category)$ * x & y must be non-negative.

Univariate linear regression tests returning F-statistic and p-values.

Quick linear model for testing the effect of a single regressor, sequentially for many regressors.

This is done in 2 steps:

The cross correlation between each regressor and the target is computed using r_regression

E[(X[:, i] - mean(X[:, i])) * (y - mean(y))] / (std(X[:, i]) * std(y))

2. It is converted to an F score and then to a p-value.

f_regression is derived from r_regression and will rank features in the same order if all the feature with the target.

Note however that contrary to f_regression, r_regression values lie in [-1, 1] and can thus be negtherefore recommended as a feature selection criterion to identify potentially predictive feature for irrespective of the sign of the association with the target variable.

Furthermore f_regression returns p-values while r_regression does not.

Read more in the User Guide.

Darameters: V · /array like sparse matrix) of shape /n samples n features

Returns:

f_statistic : ndarray of shape (n_features,)

F-statistic for each feature.

https://machinelearningmastery.com/feature-selection-

P-values associated with the F-statistic.

sklearn.feature_selection.mutual_info_regression

sklearn.feature selection.mutual info regression(X, y, *, discrete_features='auto', n_neighbors=3, copy=True, random_state=None) 1

Estimate mutual information for a continuous target variable.

Mutual information (MI) [1] between two random variables is a non-negative value, which measures the dependency between the variables. It is equal to zero if and only if two random variables are independent, and higher values mean higher dependency.

The function relies on nonparametric methods based on entropy estimation from k-nearest neighbors distances as described in [2] and [3]. Both methods are based on the idea originally proposed in [4].

It can be used for univariate features selection, read more in the User Guide.

Parameters:

X: array-like or sparse matrix, shape (n_samples, n_features)

Feature matrix.

y : array-like of shape (n_samples,)

Target vector.

discrete_features : {'auto', bool, array-like}, default='auto'

If bool, then determines whether to consider all features discrete or continuous, If array, then it should be

Returns:

mi : ndarray, shape (n_features,)

Estimated mutual information between each feature and the target.

for-regression-data/



Classification

y (category) \sim x (category) Ch-squared These objects take as input a scoring function that returns univariate scores and p-values (or only scores for SelectKBest and SelectPercentile):

- For regression: r_regression, f_regression, mutual_info_regression
- For classification: chi2, f_classif, mutual_info_classif

sklearn.feature selection.chi2

sklearn.feature_selection.chi2(X, y) 1

Compute chi-squared stats between each non-negative feature and cla

This score can be used to select the n_features features with the high which must contain only **non-negative features** such as booleans or fe classification), relative to the classes.

Recall that the chi-square test measures dependence between stochas features that are the most likely to be independent of class and therefo

Read more in the User Guide.

y (category) \sim x (cont.) ANOVA

sklearn.feature_selection.f_classif

y (category) ~ x (cont., discrete) * x & y must be non-negative.

sklearn.feature selection.f_classif(X, y)

Compute the ANOVA F-value for the provided sample.

Read more in the User Guide.

Parameters:

X : {array-like, sparse matrix} of shape (n_samples, n_feature). The set of regressors that will be tested sequentially.

y : array-like of shape (n_samples,)

The target vector.

Returns:

f_statistic : ndarray of shape (n_features,)

F-statistic for each feature.

p_values : ndarray of shape (n_features,)

P-values associated with the F-statistic.

See also:

chi2

Chi-squared stats of non-negative features for classification tasks.

f regression

F-value between label/feature for regression tasks.

sklearn.feature_selection.mutual_info_classif

sklearn.feature_selection.mutual_info_classif(X, y, *, discrete_features='auto', n_neighbors=3, copy=True, random_state=None) [soi

Estimate mutual information for a discrete target variable.

Mutual information (MI) [1] between two random variables is a non-negative value, which measures the dependency between the variables. It is equal to zero if and only if two random variables are independent, and higher values mean higher dependency.

The function relies on nonparametric methods based on entropy estimation from k-nearest neighbors distances as described in [2] and [3]. Both methods are based on the idea originally proposed in [4].

It can be used for univariate features selection, read more in the User Guide.

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Parameters

X : {array-like, sparse matrix} of shape (n_samples, n_features)
Feature matrix.

y : array-like of shape (n_samples,)

Target vector.

discrete_features: 'auto', bool or array-like, default='auto'

If bool, then determines whether to consider all features discrete or continuous. If array, then it should be either a boolean mask with shape (n_features,) or array with indices of discrete features. If 'auto', it is assigned to False for dense X and to True for sparse X.

n_neighbors: int, default=3

Number of neighbors to use for MI estimation for continuous variables, see [2] and [3]. Higher values



multual_info_classif, multual_info_regression

https://www.blog.trainindata.com/mutual-information-with-python/





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Mutual information with Python

Mutual information (MI) is a non-negative value that measures the mutual dependence between two random variables. The mutual information measures the amount of information we can know from one variable by observing the values of the second variable.

Mutual information

Utilizing the relative entropy, we can now define the MI. We define the MI as the relative entropy between the joint distribution of the two variables and the product of their marginal distributions.

Thus, the MI is given by:

$$I(X,Y) = \sum_{X} \sum_{Y} p(x,y) log(\frac{p(x,y)}{p(x)p(y)})$$

Female Male Total

Not survived 0.09 0.52 0.62 0.12 0.37 Survived 0.65 1 Total

The MI for the variables survival and gender is:

$$I(X,Y) = 0.0974 \times log \frac{0.0974}{0.6258 \times 0.3490} + 0.5285 \times log \frac{0.5285}{0.6258 \times 0.6510} +$$

$$0.2516 \times log \frac{0.2516}{0.3742 \times 0.3490} + 0.1225 \times log \frac{0.1225}{0.3742 \times 0.6510}$$

Thus, I(X,Y) = 0.2015.

MI estimation for continuous variables

We can extend the definition of the MI to continuous variables by changing the sum over the values of x and y by the integrals:

$$I(X,Y) = \int_X \int_Y p(x,y) log(\frac{p(x,y)}{p(x)p(y)})$$

With continuous variables, the problem is how to estimate the probability densities for each one of the variable values.

Nearest-neighbours method to estimate the MI

We have a series of data points in our data sets that contain values for the continuous variables x and y, with a joint probability p(x,y) that we do not know but must estimate from the observed data. The nearest neighbour methods estimate the joint probability of these 2 continuous variables, and, as well, the joint probability of a continuous and discrete variable.

The following figure (Figure 1A) illustrates the joint distribution of the discrete variable x, which takes 3 values: red, green, or blue; and the continuous variable y. In this example, we see that the different values of x are associated with different values of y; for example, y is generally lower when x is green or red than when x is blue. Therefore, there is a relation between x and y, implying that MI is some positive number.

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1.13.4. Feature selection using SelectFromModel

SelectFromModel is a meta-transformer that can be used alongside any estimator that assigns importance to each feature through a specific attribute (such as coef_, feature_importances_) or via an importance_getter callable after fitting. The features are considered unimportant and removed if the corresponding importance of the feature values are below the provided threshold parameter. Apart from specifying the threshold numerically, there are built-in heuristics for finding a threshold using a string argument. Available heuristics are "mean", "median" and float multiples of these like "0.1*mean". In combination with the threshold criteria, one can use the max_features parameter to set a limit on the number of features to select.

For examples on how it is to be used refer to the sections below.

Next topic

Examples

• Model-based and sequential feature selection

1.13.4.1. L1-based feature selection

Linear models penalized with the L1 norm have sparse solutions: many of their estimated coefficients are zero. When the goal is to reduce the dimensionality of the data to use with another classifier, they can be used along with **SelectFromModel** to select the non-zero coefficients. In particular, sparse estimators useful for this purpose are the **Lasso** for regression, and of **LogisticRegression** and **LinearSVC** for classification:

```
>>> from sklearn.svm import LinearSVC
>>> from sklearn.datasets import load_iris
>>> from sklearn.feature_selection import SelectFromModel
>>> X, y = load_iris(return_X_y=True)
>>> X.shape
(150, 4)
>>> lsvc = LinearSVC(C=0.01, penalty="l1", dual=False).fit(X, y)
>>> model = SelectFromModel(lsvc, prefit=True)
>>> X_new = model.transform(X)
>>> X_new.shape
(150, 3)
```



Appendix for statistical calculation

Chi-squared Correlation

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Statistical approach

- Chi-squared
- **■** Correlation

Type of Predictors Type of Response	Categorical	Continuous	Continuous and Categorical
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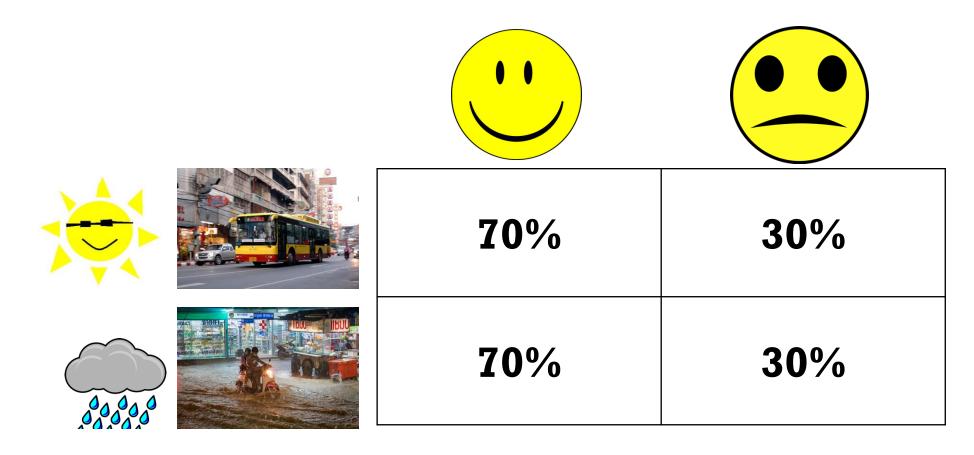
Chi-Square Test (categorical variables)

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Categorical Variables Association

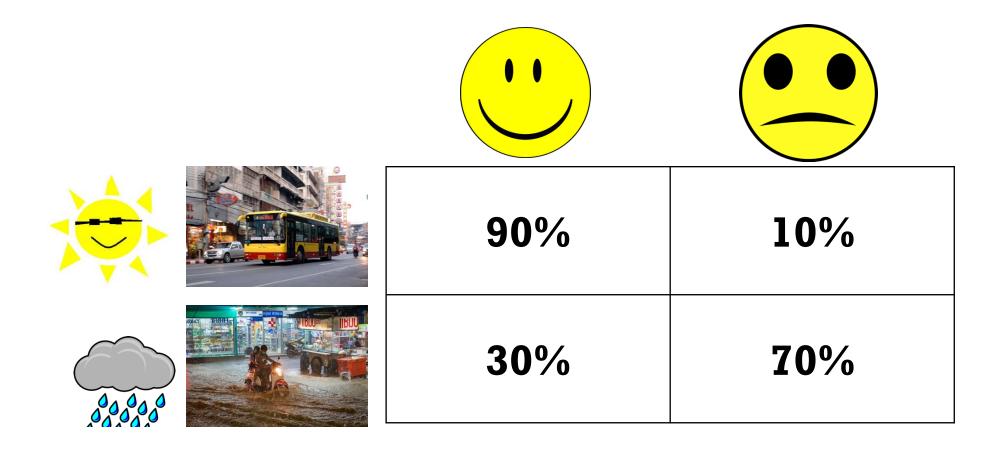
- An **association** exists between **two categorical variables** if the distribution of one variable changes when the value of the other variable changes.
- If there is **no association**, the distribution of the first variable is the same regardless of the level of the other variable.

Categorical Variables Association (cont.) Confusion Matrix, Contingency Table



There seems to be **no association** between your mood and the weather because the row percentages are the **same** in each column.

Categorical Variables Association (cont.) Confusion Matrix, Contingency Table



There seems to be **an association** because the row percentages are the **different** in each column.

Chi-Square Test (cont.)

		Outcome	
	Yes	No	Total
Group A	60	20	80
Group B	90	10	100
Total	150	30	180

- Under the null hypothesis that there is no association between the Row and Column variables.
 - The expected percentage in any R*C cell will be equal to the percent in that cell's row (R/T) times the percent in the cell's column (C/T) = (R/T)*(C/T).
 - The expected count is then only that expected percentage times the total sample size = (R/T)*(C/T)*T = (R*C)/T.

$$Exp_{ij} = \frac{T_i \times T_j}{N}$$

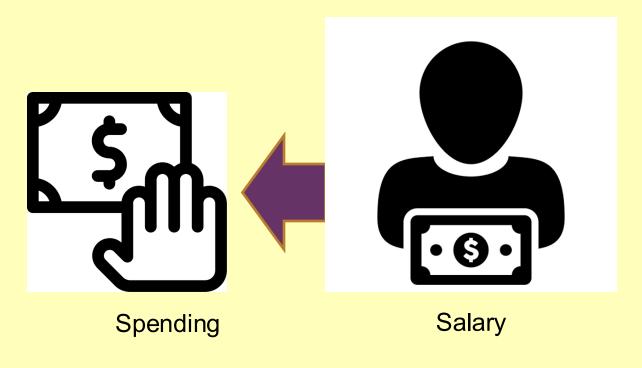
- & Chi-square tests and the corresponding p-values
 - determine whether an association exists
 - % do not measure the strength of an association
 - % depend on and reflect the sample size.

$$\chi^{2} = \sum_{i=1}^{R} \sum_{j=1}^{C} \frac{(Obs_{ij} - Exp_{ij})^{2}}{Exp_{ij}}$$

Chi-Square Test

- A commonly used test to check whether there is an association between two categorical variables
- The chi-square test **measures** the difference between the **observed frequencies** and the **expected frequencies**
 - \bowtie H0: Observed freq. = expected freq. \rightarrow No Association
 - lpha H1: Observed freq. \neq expected freq. \rightarrow Association
- If you have a significant chi-square statistic, there is strong evidence that there is an association between your variables.

Continuous ~ Continuous (Correlation, Regression) One-to-One



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Correlation

- Correlation is a measure that describes the <u>strength</u> and <u>direction</u> of a relationship between two variables. It is commonly used in statistics, economics and social sciences for budgets, business plans and etc.
- The method used to understand how closely each variable is related is called **correlation** analysis.

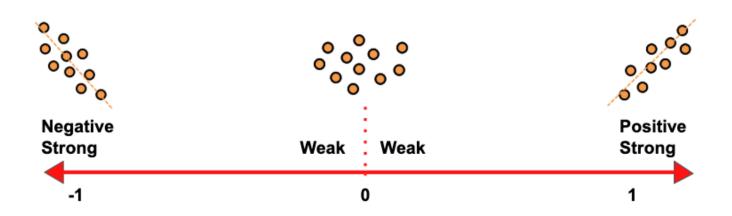
Pearson Correlation

- Rearson Correlation, which is the Pearson Product Moment Correlation (PPMC), is used to evaluate linear relationships between two continuous variable
- Here's the most commonly used formula to find the Pearson correlation coefficient, which can be called Pearson's R:

$$r = \frac{\sum (x_i - x_{\text{average}}) (y_i - y_{\text{average}})}{\sqrt{\sum (x_i - x_{\text{average}})^2 * \sum (y_i - y_{\text{average}})^2}}$$

Correlation Coefficient

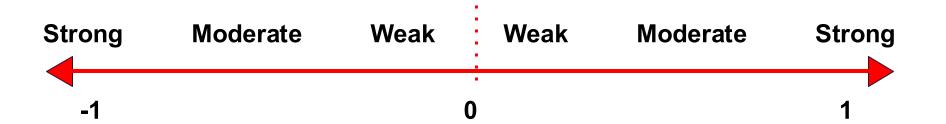
- The numerical measure of the degree of association between two continuous variables is called the **correlation coefficient (r)**.
- The coefficient value is always between -1 and 1 and it measures both the **strength** and **direction** of the linear relationship between the variables.



Correlation Coefficient (cont.): Strength

& Strength

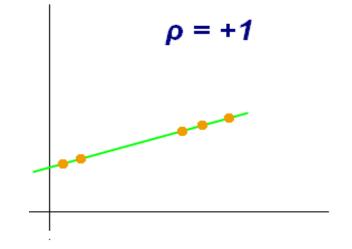
- The values of **-1 and 1** indicate a perfect <u>linear relationship</u> when all the data points fall on a line. Normally, either positive or negative, is **rarely** found.
- A coefficient of **0** indicates no linear relationship between the variables. This is what you are likely to get with two sets of random numbers.
- Walues **between 0 and +1/-1** represent a scale of weak, moderate and strong relationships. As the coefficient gets closer to either -1 or 1, the strength of the relationship increases.



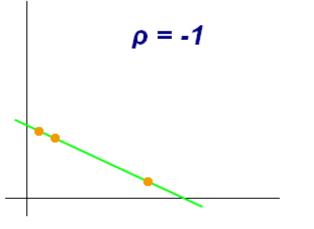
Correlation Coefficient (cont.): Direction

Direction

- Positive coefficients represent direct linear association (upward-sloping)
- Negative coefficients represent inverse linear association (downward-sloping)



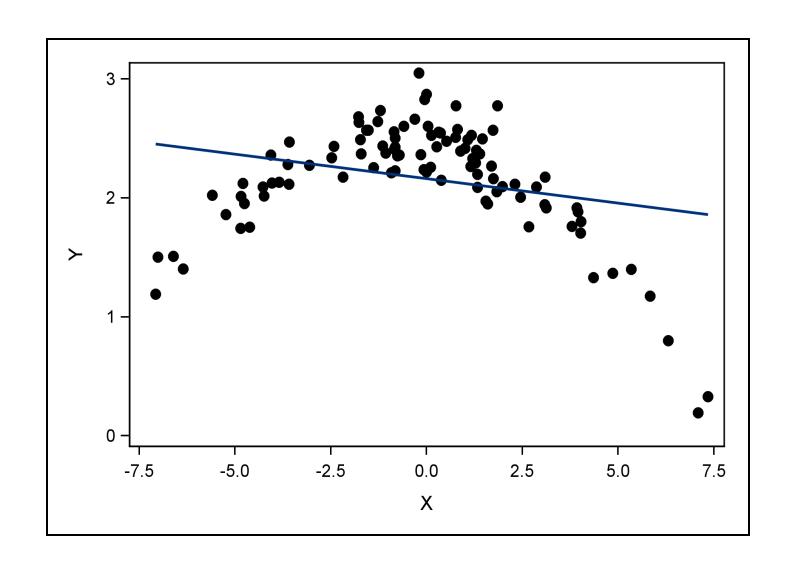




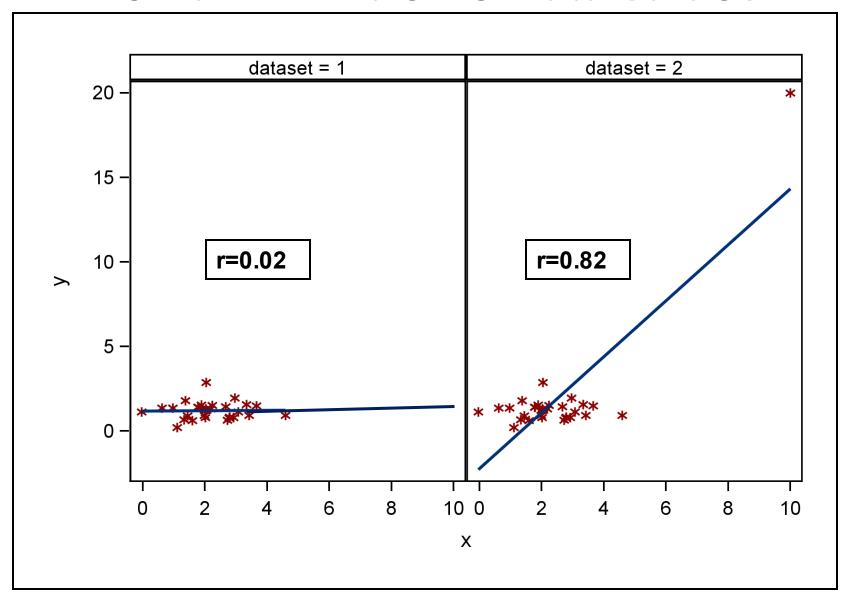
Hypothesis Test for a Correlation

- The parameter representing correlation is ρ .
- lacksquare ρ is estimated by the sample statistic r.
- $H_0: \rho = 0$
- Rejecting H0 indicates only great confidence that ρ is not exactly zero.
- A p-value does not measure the magnitude of the association.
- Sample size affects the *p*-value.

Remark 1: Missing Another Type of Relationship



Remark2: Extreme Data Values



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Conclusion

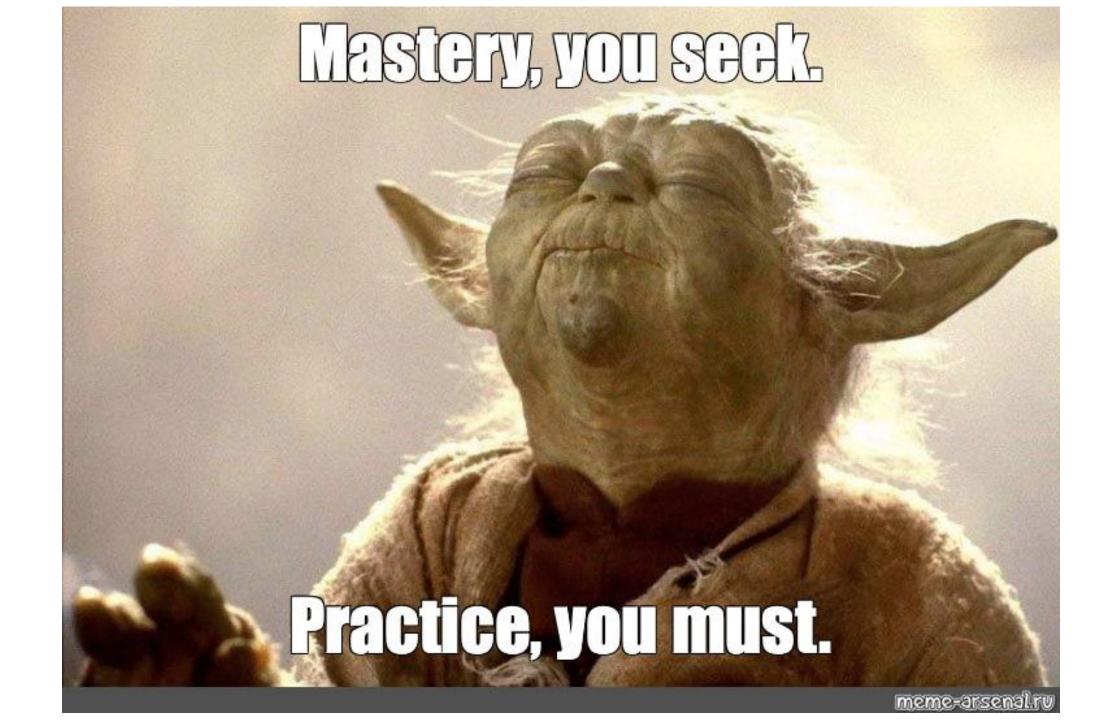


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Preparing and Cleaning Data for Machine Learning

- 1) Examining the Data Set
- 2) Narrowing down columns manually
 - Remove Id's
 - Irrelevant variables
 - Remove zipcode & date
 - Temporal infidelity (data from future)
 - Calculated variables
 - Decide target
 - Select studied cases
 - Distribution of target variables
 - Remove flat values

- 3) Preparing features for ML
 - Preview data
 - Handling missing values
 - Drop unqualified features
 - Investigate categorical features
 - Drop too many unique values (treat as Id)
 - Convert ordinal to numeric
 - Convert categorical to numeric
 - Check all numeric variables
- 4) Other preprocessing steps:
 - Train/Test/Validate



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