

DATA SCIENCE COURSE TUTORIAL # 03

1.6 Lifecycle of a Data Science Project

A data science project usually follows a series of steps. These steps help in moving from understanding the problem to using the solution in the real world.

Steps in the Lifecycle

1. Problem Understanding

Understand clearly what problem you are trying to solve. Identify the goal and expected outcome.

2. Data Collection

Gather the required data from different sources such as databases, files, or APIs.

3. Data Cleaning

Remove errors, correct inconsistencies, and handle missing values in the dataset.

4. Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA)

Study the data to understand its structure, spot patterns, and find relationships between variables.

5. Feature Engineering

Select or create important features that can improve the performance of the model.

6. Model Building

Train a machine learning model using the prepared dataset.

7. Model Evaluation

Check how well the model performs using evaluation metrics and testing data.

8. Deployment

Integrate the model into a real-world system so it can be used for predictions or analysis.

9. Monitoring

Keep track of the model's performance over time and update it if necessary.

Note

This process is often repeated multiple times to improve the results and achieve the best performance.