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Link to GitHub Repository:

https://github.com/justindavin/DataGlacierInternship/tree/main/Week9

Problem Description

One of the challenges for all Pharmaceutical companies is to understand the persistence of drugs as per the physician's prescription. the persistency of a drug may be defined as "the extent to which a patient acts in accordance with the prescribed interval, and dose of a dosing regimen." Medication persistence refers to the act of continuing the treatment for the prescribed duration.

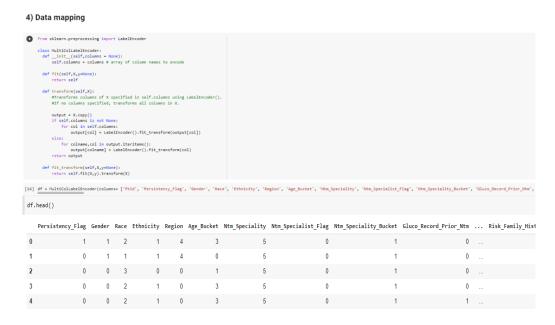
Data Cleansing and Transformation

After performing extensive exploratory data analysis on this dataset, we have found some interesting information about the data and have performed some transformations as well to improve the data intake of our model:

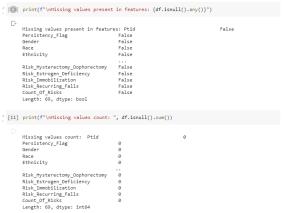
- One feature was mis-labelled,

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"Comorb_Encntr_For_General_Exam_W_O_Complaint,_Susp_Or_Reprtd_Dx" and was changed to:
"Comorb Encntr For General Exam W O Complaint Susp Or Reprtd Dx"
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- Most features are of the 'object' dtype, which are categorical, as well as strings. These features will have to be converted to numeric values or dummy variables. The way we have done this is by creating a multi column label encoder by using the LabelEncoder algorithm from sklearn.preprocessing to transform all columns into integers.



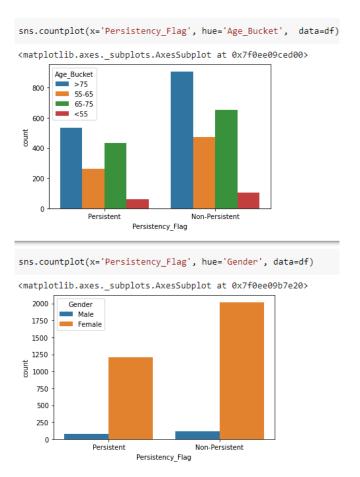
- While we are tasked to look for and clean missing values, it turns out there are no missing values present in the dataset.



- The Ptid feature is a unique row id and will be dropped since using a unique row id as a feature in our models will result in overfitting the data.
- We have discovered that there is skewness in the data. To solve the issue of skewness, we will remove skewness from features with low correlation, as removing skew from data with higher correlation will have a higher impact and could be problematic. To remove the skewness of features with low correlation, we have first calculated the skewness of each feature. Then, we compared the values to a certain threshold of 0.01. If the correlation of the feature is below the threshold, then we remove the skewness from the features.



We have also discovered that the dataset is unbalanced. To deal with the problem of the unbalanced data, we will perform sampling techniques such as: RandomUnderSampler and SMOTE (Synthetic Minority Oversampling Technique) which will be performed in the model building portion of the project.



Data Intake Report

Name: Healthcare Industry Report date: December 2nd, 2022

Internship Batch: LISUM14

Version: 0.3

Data intake by: Alireza Samadifardheris and Justin Lee Data intake reviewer: Alireza Samadifardheris and Justin Lee

Data storage location:

2047360270

Tabular data details:

Total number of observations	3424
Total number of files	
Total number of features	69
Base format of the file	.xlsx
Size of the data	900 KB

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