Preprocessing data

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Dealing with categorical features

- Scikit-learn will not accept categorical features by default
- Need to encode categorical features numerically
- Convert to 'dummy variables'
 - 0: Observation was NOT that category
 - 1: Observation was that category

Dummy variables

Origin

US

Europe

Asia



Dummy variables

Origin	
US	
Europe	
Asia	

origin_Asia	origin_Europe	origin_US
0	0	1
0	1	0
1	0	0



Dummy variables

Origin	origin_Asia	origin_US
US	0	1
Europe	0	0
Asia	1	0

Dealing with categorical features in Python

- scikit-learn: OneHotEncoder()
- pandas: get_dummies()

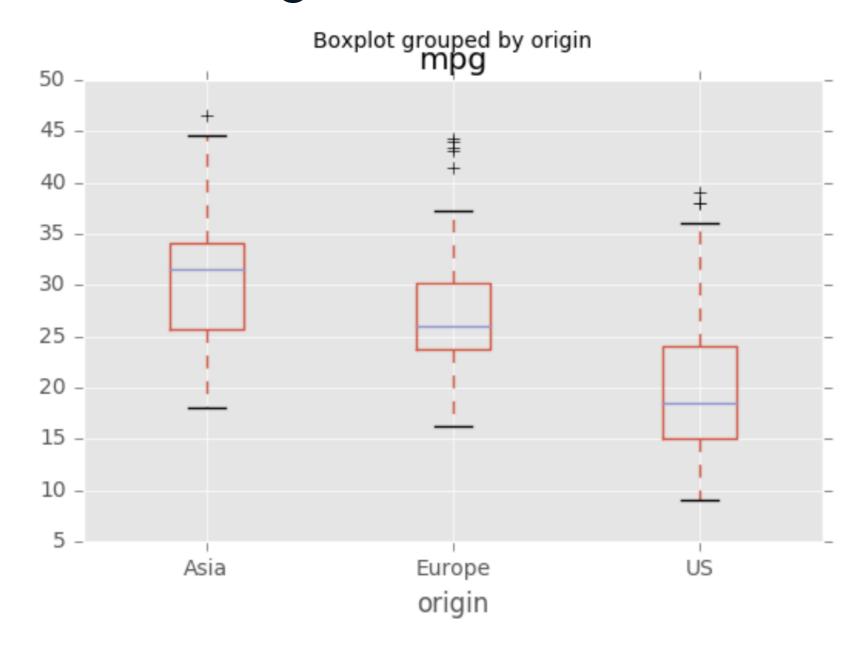
Automobile dataset

• mpg: Target Variable

Origin: Categorical Feature

	mpg	displ	hp	weight	accel	origin	size
0	18.0	250.0	88	3139	14.5	US	15.0
1	9.0	304.0	193	4732	18.5	US	20.0
2	36.1	91.0	60	1800	16.4	Asia	10.0
3	18.5	250.0	98	3525	19.0	US	15.0
4	34.3	97.0	78	2188	15.8	Europe	10.0

EDA w/ categorical feature





Encoding dummy variables

```
import pandas as pd

df = pd.read_csv('auto.csv')

df_origin = pd.get_dummies(df)

print(df_origin.head())
```

```
hp weight accel size origin_Asia origin_Europe \\
        displ
       250.0
0 18.0
                    3139
                          14.5 15.0
   9.0 304.0
                          18.5 20.0
                    4732
       91.0
                         16.4 10.0
2 36.1
                    1800
3 18.5 250.0
                    3525
                          19.0 15.0
4 34.3 97.0
                    2188
                          15.8 10.0
  origin_US
0
          0
```



Encoding dummy variables

```
df_origin = df_origin.drop('origin_Asia', axis=1)
print(df_origin.head())
```

```
weight accel size origin_Europe origin_US
     displ
 mpg
18.0
     250.0
                  3139
                         14.5 15.0
 9.0 304.0 193
                  4732
                         18.5 20.0
                        16.4 10.0
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```



Linear regression with dummy variables

```
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
from sklearn.linear_model import Ridge
X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y,
    test_size=0.3, random_state=42)
ridge = Ridge(alpha=0.5, normalize=True).fit(X_train,
                                                  y_train)
ridge.score(X_test, y_test)
0.719064519022
```



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Handling missing data

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PIMA Indians dataset

```
df = pd.read_csv('diabetes.csv')
df.info()
```

```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 768 entries, 0 to 767
Data columns (total 9 columns):
              768 non-null int64
pregnancies
              768 non-null int64
qlucose
diastolic
              768 non-null int64
              768 non-null int64
triceps
insulin
              768 non-null int64
              768 non-null float64
bmi
              768 non-null float64
dpf
              768 non-null int64
age
               768 non-null int64
diabetes
dtypes: float64(2), int64(7)
memory usage: 54.1 KB
None
```



PIMA Indians dataset

```
print(df.head())
```

```
pregnancies glucose diastolic triceps insulin
                                                  bmi
                                                        dpf
                                                             age \\
                  148
                                              0 33.6 0.627
                                                              50
                                                      0.351
                  183
                                                23.3 0.672
                                                 28.1 0.167
            0
                  137
                                     35
                                                43.1 2.288
  diabetes
0
```



Dropping missing data

```
df.insulin.replace(0, np.nan, inplace=True)
df.triceps.replace(0, np.nan, inplace=True)
df.bmi.replace(0, np.nan, inplace=True)
df.info()
```

```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 768 entries, 0 to 767
Data columns (total 9 columns):
              768 non-null int64
pregnancies
              768 non-null int64
qlucose
diastolic
              768 non-null int64
triceps
              541 non-null float64
insulin
              394 non-null float64
bmi
              757 non-null float64
              768 non-null float64
dpf
              768 non-null int64
age
              768 non-null int64
diabetes
dtypes: float64(4), int64(5)
memory usage: 54.1 KB
```



Dropping missing data

```
df = df.dropna()
df.shape
```

(393, 9)

Imputing missing data

- Making an educated guess about the missing values
- Example: Using the mean of the non-missing entries

```
from sklearn.preprocessing import Imputer
imp = Imputer(missing_values='NaN', strategy='mean', axis=0)
imp.fit(X)
X = imp.transform(X)
```

Imputing within a pipeline



Imputing within a pipeline

```
pipeline.fit(X_train, y_train)
y_pred = pipeline.predict(X_test)
pipeline.score(X_test, y_test)
```

0.75324675324675328

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Centering and scaling

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Why scale your data?

print(df.describe())

	fixed acidity	free sulfur	dioxide	total	sulfur dioxide	de
C	ount 1599.000000	1599.000000			1599.000000	1599.000
me	ean 8.319637	15	.874922		46.467792	0.9967
st	d 1.741096	10	.460157		32.895324	0.001887
mi	ln 4.600000	1	.000000		6.000000	0.990070
25	7.100000	7.000000			22.000000	0.995600
50	7.900000	14	.000000		38.000000	0.996750
75	9.200000	21.000000			62.000000	0.997835
ma	15.900000	72.000000			289.000000	1.003690
	рН	sulphates	alcoh	ol	quality	
C	ount 1599.000000	1599.000000	1599.0000	00 1	599.000000	
me	ean 3.311113	0.658149	10.4229	83	0.465291	
st	d 0.154386	0.169507	1.0656	68	0.498950	
mi	n 2.740000	0.330000	8.4000	00	0.000000	
25	3.210000	0.550000	9.5000	00	0.000000	
50	3.310000	0.620000	10.2000	00	0.000000	
75	3.400000	0.730000	11.1000	00	1.000000	
ma	4.010000	2.000000	14.9000	00	1.000000	



Why scale your data?

- Many models use some form of distance to inform them
- Features on larger scales can unduly influence the model
- Example: k-NN uses distance explicitly when making predictions
- We want features to be on a similar scale
- Normalizing (or scaling and centering)

Ways to normalize your data

- Standardization: Subtract the mean and divide by variance
- All features are centered around zero and have variance one
- Can also subtract the minimum and divide by the range
- Minimum zero and maximum one
- Can also normalize so the data ranges from -1 to +1
- See scikit-learn docs for further details

Scaling in scikit-learn

```
from sklearn.preprocessing import scale
X_{scaled} = scale(X)
np.mean(X), np.std(X)
(8.13421922452, 16.7265339794)
np.mean(X_scaled), np.std(X_scaled)
(2.54662653149e-15, 1.0)
```



Scaling in a pipeline

0.956

```
knn_unscaled = KNeighborsClassifier().fit(X_train, y_train)
knn_unscaled.score(X_test, y_test)
```

0.928



CV and scaling in a pipeline



Scaling and CV in a pipeline

```
print(cv.best_params_)
{'knn__n_neighbors': 41}
print(cv.score(X_test, y_test))
0.956
print(classification_report(y_test, y_pred))
             precision
                          recall f1-score
                                             support
                           0.90
                  0.97
                                      0.93
                                                  39
```

75

114

0.97

0.96



avg / total

0.95

0.96

0.99

0.96

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Final thoughts

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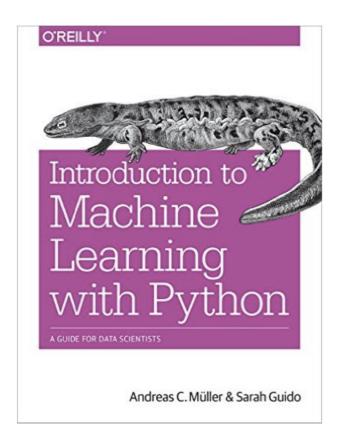


What you've learned

- Using machine learning techniques to build predictive models
- For both regression and classification problems
- With real-world data
- Underfitting and overfitting
- Test-train split
- Cross-validation
- Grid search

What you've learned

- Regularization, lasso and ridge regression
- Data preprocessing
- For more: Check out the scikit-learn documentation



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