CIS 678 Machine Learning

Features encoding!

Outline

- Label Encoding
- One-Hot Encoding

Data/Feature Encoding

Given a Data Table

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30	1.7	67
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Numeric (R) values at different scales

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Given a Data Table

Age (Yr)	Height (M)	Weight (Kg)	Sex
10	1.3	45	F
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Categorical Feature

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Categorical Feature

{F, M}

{F=0, M=1}

Data/Feature Encoding

Given a Data Table

Age (Yr)	Height (M)	Weight (Kg)	Sex	Color preference
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- *We are saying, Green is closer to Red than Blue,*
- *And enforcing Bias in the Vector Space*
- *Which doesn't seem ok.*

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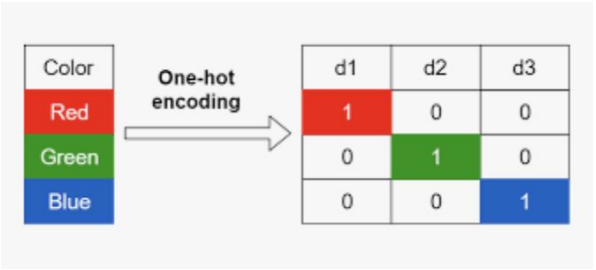
One Hot Encoding

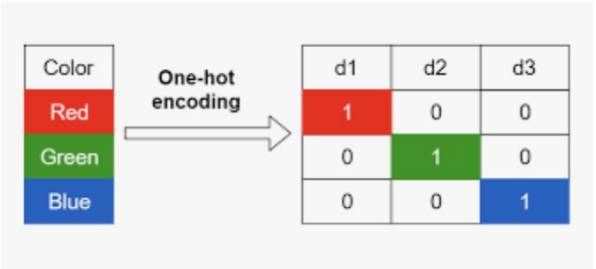
- *How many colors do we have?*
- *3 {R, G, B}*
- *So, we use 3 Bits to define each color*



Data/Feature Encoding

One Hot Encoding

- *How many colors do we have?*
- *3* *{R, G, B}*
- *So, we use 3 Bits to define each color*
- *How does it solves the Vector Space Distance Problem?*



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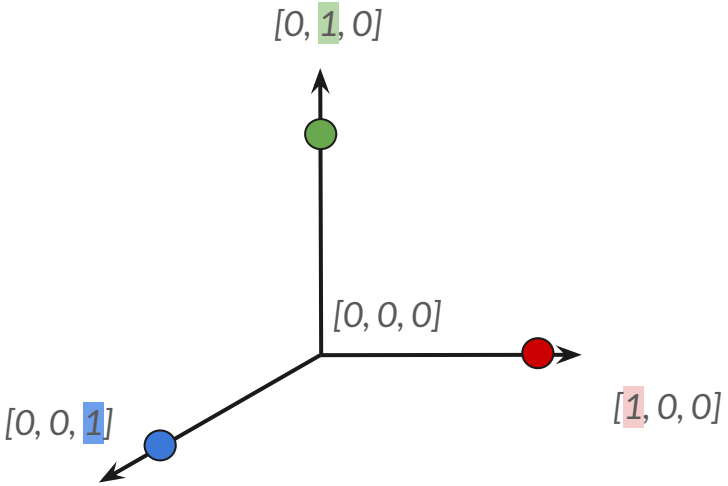
- 3 {R, G, B}
- So, we use 3 Bits to define each color
- How does it solves the Vector Space Distance Problem?
- *We have debiased the definition. Isn't it Cool!*



One hot encoding (cont.)

Classification task:

- Binary example {Cat vs Dog}
- Set size is 2
  - Cat (0, 1)
  - Dog (1, 0)
  - Or vice versa
- Same rule applies every categorical data

Notebook Presentation!

Regression task with categorical variables.

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