

# Introduction to data Science and Machine Learning

MISSING VALUES

- Quiz
- Use of dropout layers
- Handling of missing values
- (Support Vector Machines)

# QUIZ



#### NEURONAL NET WITH DROPOUT LAYER

```
from tensorflow.keras.models import Sequential
from tensorflow.keras.layers import InputLayer, Dense, BatchNormalization, Dropout
from tensorflow.keras.optimizers import Adam
model = Sequential([
  InputLayer(input shape=(training features.shape[1], )),
  BatchNormalization(),
  Dense(10, activation='relu'),
  Dropout(.3),
  Dense(4, activation='relu'),
  Dense(1)
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```

Layer (type)	Output Shape	Param #
batch_normalization (Batch Normalization)	(None, 34)	136
dense (Dense)	(None, 10)	350
dropout (Dropout)	(None, 10)	0
dense_1 (Dense)	(None, 4)	44
dense_2 (Dense)	(None, 1)	5

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Total params: 535 (2.09 KB)

Trainable params: 467 (1.82 KB)

Non-trainable params: 68 (272.00 Byte)

#### DROPOUT LAYER CHARACTERISTICS

- Sets individual activations in the previous layer to zero at each iteration step with the defined dropout probability.
- Introduces redundancy into the network.
- Helps to prevent overfitting.
- Is only applied during training; during inference, all neurons are always used.

# HANDLING OF MISSING VALUES

#### REASONS FOR MISSING VALUES

Missing responses in surveys

 Merging data from different sources with varying variable categories or time steps

- Technical issues in data collection or recording

# TYPES OF MISSING VALUES

- Missing Completely at Random (MCAR)

- Missing at Random (MAR)

Missing not at Random (MNAR)

#### BREAKOUT

#### Discuss solutions for the following possible cases in the weather dataset:

Temperature data for a month with missing data for two days:

[20, 19, 23, 19, 17, 17, NA, 24, 16, 20, 22, 21, 20, 19, 17, 22, 24, 21, 23, 15, 18, 18, 21, 19, 19, 21, 21, 19, 23, NA]

Temperature data for a month with missing data for a week:

[18, 15, 21, 15, 24, 16, 21, 16, 22, 18, 17, 25, 22, 21, 16, 19, 17, 23, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, 21, 20, 20, 16, 15]

Weather code data for 20 days with missing data for one day:

[10, 60, NA, 95, 61, 1, 29, 81, 21, 25, 25, 80, 80, 63, 81, 80]

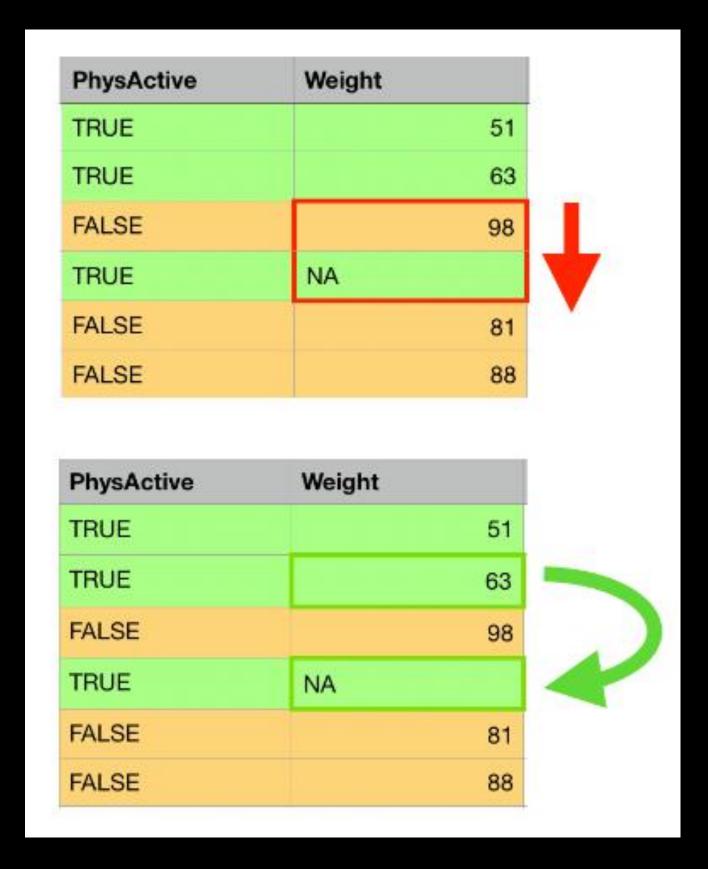
#### HANDLING OF MISSING VALUES

- Listwise deletion of affected cases
- Simple donor-based imputation:
  - Mean imputation (or median or mode)
  - Based on "similarity" (hot-deck imputation)
  - By minimal distance (k-nearest neighbors)

- Simple model-based imputation
  - Iterative regression
- Multiple imputation

# HOT-DECK IMPUTATION

#### By Domains



#### By Correlation



# K-NEAREST NEIGHBORS (KNN)

#### Search for the k cases with the minimal distance

- Different distance measurements depending on the variable type
- Aggregation of distances using a sum function

#### Various approaches to calculate the imputation value:

- The value with the minimal distance is taken (1NN)
- Random selection from the k cases
- Calculation from the k cases using the (weighted mean)

#### 1) Prediction of missing values in A

A	В	С	D
5	34	NA	1
1	22	NA	4
NA	65	55	2
4	87	27	2
NA	23	10	1

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# 2) Prediction of missing values in C using the imputed values from A

A	В	С	D
5	34	NA	1
1	22	NA	4
5	65	55	2
4	87	27	2
2	23	10	1

# 2) Prediction of missing values in C using the imputed values from A

A	В	С	D
5	34	32	1
1	22	16	4
5	65	55	2
4	87	27	2
2	23	10	1

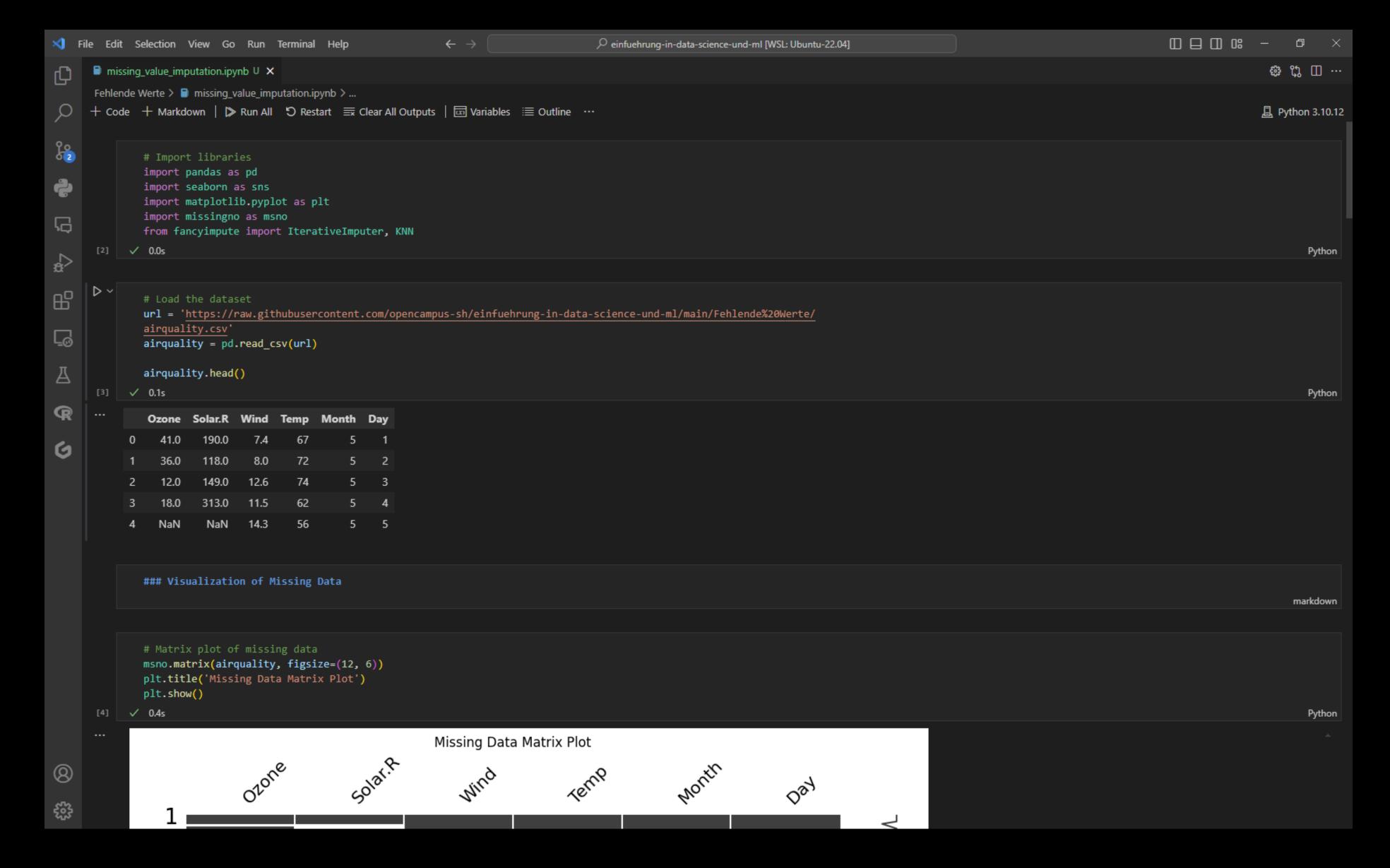
3) Prediction of missing values in A using the imputed values from C

A	В	С	D
5	34	32	1
1	22	16	4
NA	65	55	2
4	87	27	2
NA	23	10	1

→ Repeat until no further changes occur

- 1) Go through all variables of the dataset step by step.
- 2) For each variable, build a regression model based on all other variables.
- 3) Predict all missing values.
- Now repeat steps 1) to 3) again and re-estimate the missing values—this time using the already imputed missing values.
- Repeat this process until the imputed values no longer change.

## IMPUTATION EXAMPLES



# BREAKOUT

- Perform an initial imputation on your dataset.

 Use the code provided in the example notebook to assist you.

# CALCULATION OF THE IMPUTATION ERROR

- 1. Creating a complete dataset ("reference dataset")
- 2. Randomly removing data
- 3. Imputing the missing data using the chosen method (possibly several methods for comparison)
- 4. Comparing the imputed data with the original data, e.g., by calculating
  - the mean squared error (MSE) or
  - the absolute error
- 5. Evaluating the error (and adjusting the imputation method if needed)

# LEARNING RESOURCES

 Watch <u>this video</u> (5 minutes) on analyzing time series data.

### TASKS

 Choose one (or several) methods to replace the missing values in your dataset.

Divide the tasks well within your team: Who will work on data optimization, and who on model optimization?