Convert categorical data

- Value replacing
- Label encoding
- One-hot encoding
- Binary encoding

1. Value replacing

Predefine number

```
In [1]: import pandas as pd
        df = pd.DataFrame(data = { 'Job':['Engineer', 'Sale', 'Marketing', 'Finance', 'HR'] ,
                                    'Salary':[20000,30000,15000,20000,15000] } )
In [2]: df
               Job Salary
        0 Engineer 20000
        1 Sale 30000
        2 Marketing 15000
        3 Finance 20000
            HR 15000
In [3]: df.info()
        <class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
        RangeIndex: 5 entries, 0 to 4
        Data columns (total 2 columns):
        # Column Non-Null Count Dtype
        0 Job 5 non-null object
         1 Salary 5 non-null
                                     int64
        dtypes: int64(1), object(1)
        memory usage: 208.0+ bytes
In [4]: mapping = { 'Job' : {'Engineer': 101, 'Sale': 102, 'Marketing': 103, 'Finance': 201, 'HR': 202}}
In [5]: df_map = df.copy()
        df_map.replace(mapping, inplace=True)
In [6]: df map
Out[6]: Job Salary
        0 101 20000
        1 102 30000
        2 103 15000
        3 201 20000
        4 202 15000
In [7]: df_map.info()
        <class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
        RangeIndex: 5 entries, 0 to 4
        Data columns (total 2 columns):
        # Column Non-Null Count Dtype
        0 Job 5 non-null int64
1 Salary 5 non-null int64
        dtypes: int64(2)
        memory usage: 208.0 bytes
In [8]: # Change data type to operate faster
        df_map['Job'] = df_map['Job'].astype('category')
In [9]: df_map.info()
        <class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
        RangeIndex: 5 entries, 0 to 4
        Data columns (total 2 columns):
        # Column Non-Null Count Dtype
        0 Job 5 non-null
1 Salary 5 non-null
                                     category
                                     int64
        dtypes: category(1), int64(1) memory usage: 385.0 bytes
```

Auto-number

```
In [10]: import pandas as pd
        In [11]: labels = df['Job']
        mapping = {'Job' : {k: v for k,v in zip(labels,list(range(1,len(labels)+1)))}}
In [12]: list(range(1,len(labels)+1))
Out[12]: [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
In [13]: mapping
Out[13]: {'Job': {'Engineer': 1, 'Sale': 2, 'Marketing': 3, 'Finance': 4, 'HR': 5}}
In [14]: # Example of zip function
z = zip( ['a','b','c'] , [2,4,9] )
        print(tuple(z))
        (('a', 2), ('b', 4), ('c', 9))
In [15]: df_map = df.copy()
        df_map.replace(mapping, inplace=True)
In [16]: df_map
Out[16]: Job Salary
        0 1 20000
        1 2 30000
          3 15000
        3 4 20000
        4 5 15000
In []:
```

2. Label Encoding

• Numerical labels are always between 0 and n_categories-1

Built-in function in dataframe

Built-in function in 'sklearn'

```
Out[24]: Job Salary

0 0 20000

1 4 30000

2 3 15000

3 1 20000

4 2 15000
```

Built-in function in Numpy

(In the case of only two categories)

```
In [25]: import pandas as pd
        In [26]: df
Out[26]:
          Sex Height
        0
           М
                170
                165
        1
        2
           М
                168
        3
                165
In [27]: df_label = df.copy()
In [28]: import numpy as np
df_label['Sex'] = np.where(df_label['Sex'].str.contains('M'), 1, 0)
In [29]: df_label
Out[29]:
          Sex Height
        0
            1
                170
        1
           0
                165
        2
                168
        3
           1
                165
```

3. One-hot encoding

- Each category value will be a new column
- No weighting value

Built-in function in Pandas

```
In [30]: import pandas as pd
         df = pd.DataFrame(data = { 'Job':['Engineer', 'Sale', 'Marketing', 'Finance', 'HR'] ,
                                     'Salary':[20000,30000,15000,20000,15000] } )
In [31]: df_label = df.copy()
In [32]: df_label = pd.get_dummies(df_label, columns=['Job'], prefix = ['Label'])
In [33]: df label
Out[33]:
           Salary Label_Engineer Label_Finance Label_HR Label_Marketing Label_Sale
         0 20000
                                           0
                                                                   0
                                                                             0
                              1
                                                    0
         1 30000
                              0
                                          0
                                                                  0
                                                                             1
                                                    0
         2 15000
         3 20000
                                                                             0
         4 15000
```

Built-in function in 'sklearn'

```
In [35]: from sklearn.preprocessing import LabelBinarizer
         lb = LabelBinarizer()
         lb_results = lb.fit_transform(df['Job'])
         df_label = pd.DataFrame(lb_results, columns=lb.classes_)
In [36]: lb_results
Out[36]: array([[1, 0, 0, 0, 0],
                [0, 0, 0, 0, 1],
[0, 0, 0, 1, 0],
[0, 1, 0, 0, 0],
                [0, 0, 1, 0, 0]])
In [37]: df_label
Out[37]: Engineer Finance HR Marketing Sale
                         0 0
                                      0
         1
                 0
                         0 0
                                      0 1
         2
                 0
                         0 0
                                      1
                                           0
                       1 0
                                    0 0
         3
                 0
In [38]: df_label['Salary'] = df['Salary']
In [39]: df_label
Out[39]: Engineer Finance HR Marketing Sale Salary
         0
                  1
                         0 0
                                           0 20000
                                      0
         1
                         0 0
                                           1 30000
         2
                 0
                         0 0
                                           0 15000
                                      1
                         1 0
                                      0 0 20000
                                      0
                                           0 15000
```

4. Binary encoding

In []:

• There are fewer dimensions than the One-hot encoding

```
In [40]: import pandas as pd
        In [41]: df
Out[41]:
             Job Salary
        0 Engineer 20000
             Sale 30000
        2 Marketing 15000
        3 Finance 20000
            HR 15000
In [42]: df_label = df.copy()
In [43]: #pip install category_encoders
In [44]: import category_encoders as ce
       encoder = ce.BinaryEncoder(cols=['Job'])
df_label = encoder.fit_transform(df_label)
In [45]: df_label
Out[45]: Job_0 Job_1 Job_2 Salary
             0
                  0
                        1 20000
        1 0 1
                       0 30000
        2
             0
                  1
                        1 15000
          1 0
        3
                        0 20000
                  0
                        1 15000
In []:
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