

## **Data Preprocessing**

## Agenda



- 1. Data Preprocessing
- 2. Steps involved in model building

### **Questions to discuss**



- 1. What is Data Preprocessing and what are the steps involved in it?
- 2. Why we need data preprocessing?
- 3. What are the steps involved in model building?

## What is Data Preprocessing?



- Data preprocessing is a collective term used to describe a collection of approaches that help get the data ready for analysis
- It helps us clean and transform the raw data to an efficient format for analysis and modeling
- It is generally very contextual and requires good domain understanding to do this well
- Different datasets need different kinds of preprocessing





#### Broadly it is divided into the following steps:

- 1. Data format checks
  - a. Data dimension
  - b. Data types
- 2. Data Consistency
  - a. Missing, inconsistent, duplicate values
  - b. Outliers
  - c. Data distribution and skewness
- 3. Feature Engineering
  - a. Variable transformations
  - b. Feature extraction

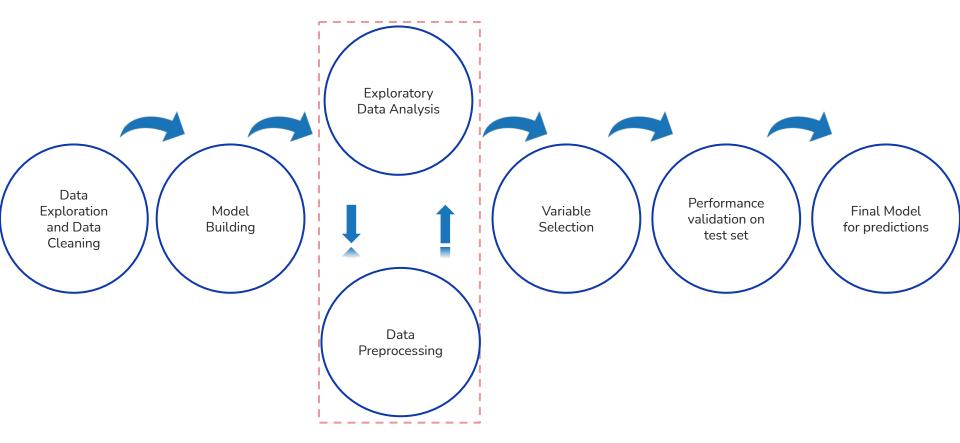


## Why do we need Data Preprocessing?

- Data preprocessing is a crucial step in the cycle of building a model from raw data
- Data preprocessing takes up approximately 60-80% of the time in a modeling project
- We often need to iterate between exploratory data analysis and data preprocessing to obtain the optimal data to get the desired model performance
- Data preprocessing also helps us in case our model does not satisfy any underlying statistical assumptions



## What are the steps involved in model building?



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