Discovering Nulls and Outliers

DS-1004 Big Data

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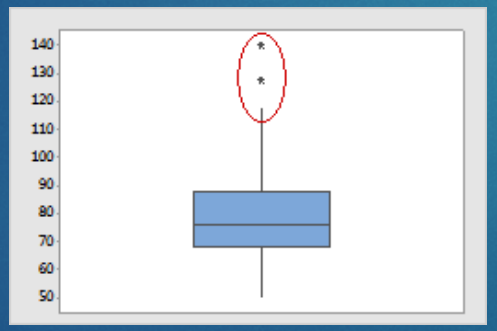
INTRODUCTION

- Problem Statement:
  1. Null Value Detection
  2. Outlier Detection
     - Univariate outliers
     - Multivariate outliers
- Data Set Collection:
  - NYC Open Data
  - 50 data sets

PROBLEM FORMULATION

1. Data Cleaning
   - "$1.99" → 1.99, "1,000" → 1000, 10003 → "10003" (zip code)
2. Missing Value Treatment
   - "None", "N/A", " ", "-", "-999", "999", etc.
3. Outliers



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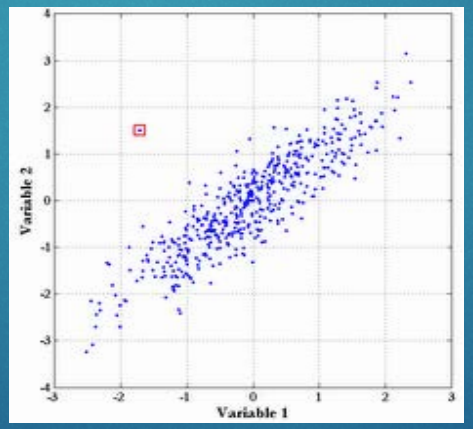

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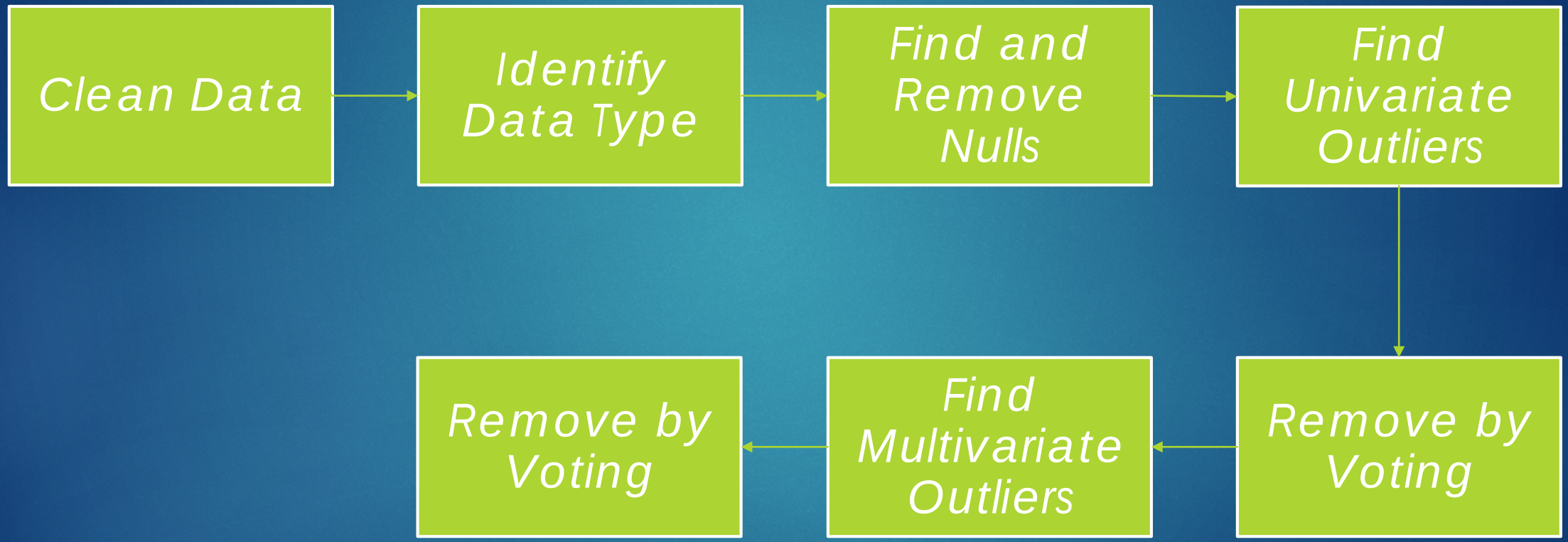
METHODOLOGY



OUTLIER DETECTION

- *Nearest Neighbor based*
  - *DBSCAN*
- *Clustering based*
  - *k-Means*
- *Mixture of Parametric Distributions*
  - *Gaussian Mixture Models*

OUTLIER DETECTION

- Non-Parametric
  - Histogram / frequency – based
- Statistical Anomaly based
  - Box plot Rule
  - Gaussian model based (z-score)
  - Probabilistic models

KEY STRENGTHS

- End-to-end automated framework
- Box plot Rule at core
  - No input specific to particular data set / column required
- Robust
  - Multiple techniques optimizing different metrics
  - Voting / Intersection of multiple similar techniques
- Efficient
  - Remove univariate outliers before finding multivariate ones

RESULTS

- Data Cleaning
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- Missing Value Treatment
- Outliers

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