Prediction of Smoking Trend in Gender.

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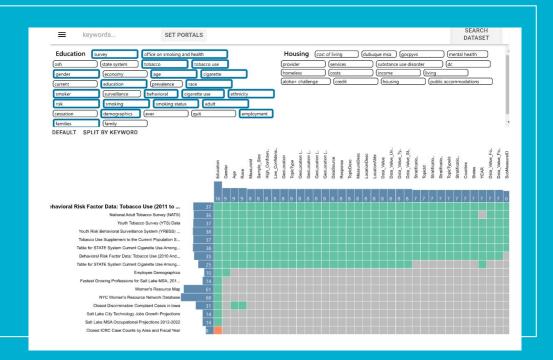
Objective of the Analysis



The Dataset

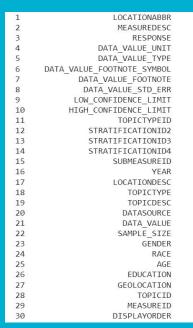
Used data set:

- WE have used the Behavioral Risk Factor Data by using shown portals
- That gave us data with 30 features



Features of the Dataset

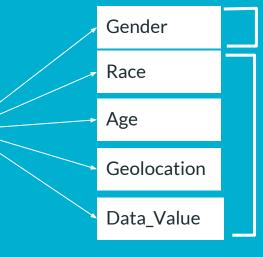
Original Data



Present Data



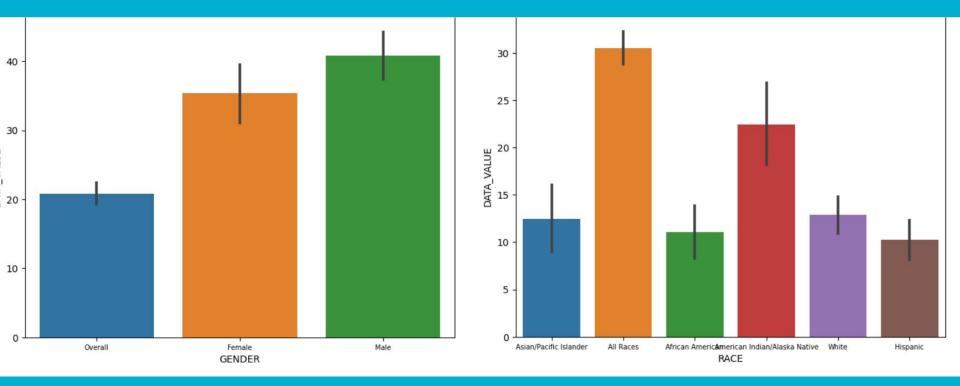
Focus Data



Used features

Target variable

Graph: Feature Vs Target



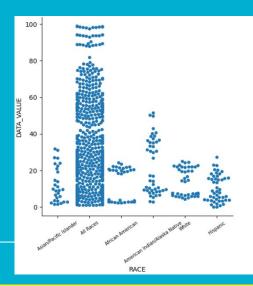
First Model: Linear Regression

Purpose: To determine if there is a relationship between the features and the target

variable.

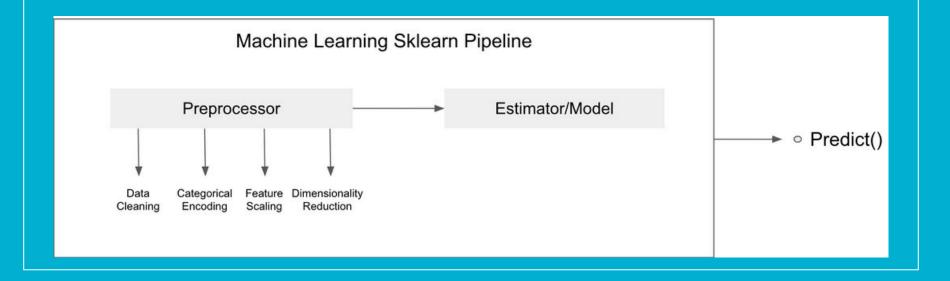
Features Used: Race, Age, Location, Probability of Smoking.

Target Variable: Sex



First Mode: Linear Regression Encoding

- Binary Encoding
- Encoding using Sklearn Pipeline



Evaluation of First Model: Linear Regression

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Pipeline
R2 = 0.728
                                   Pipeline(steps=[('imputer',
                                                    SimpleImputer(fill value='missing', strategy='constant')),
                                                   ('encoder',
                                                    OneHotEncoder(handle unknown='ignore', sparse=False,
                                                                  sparse output=False)),
                                                   ('model', LinearRegression())])
                                                                   SimpleImputer
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    LinearRegression

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Issues With the First Model: Linear Regression

Encoding of categorical target variable. Some of the data was mixed with male

and female.

Issue with collinearity

• VIF: 1 lack of collinearity,

VIF: >5 correlation between predictor

Variance Inflation Factor

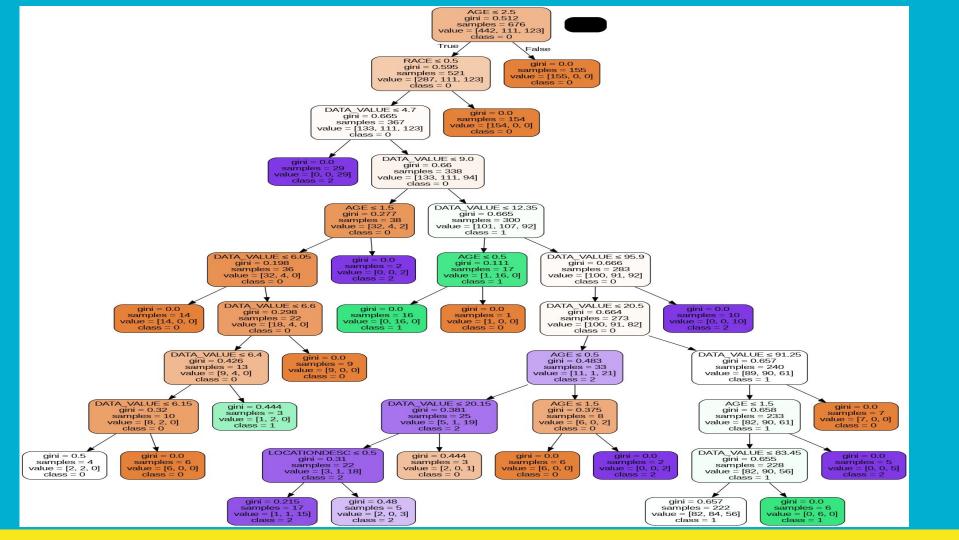
	variable	VIF
0	Intercept	63.039294
1	RACE[T.All Races]	4.655352
2	RACE[T.American Indian/Alaska Native]	1.993132
3	RACE[T.Asian/Pacific Islander]	1.649183
4	RACE[T.Hispanic]	2.018633
5	RACE[T.White]	2.040517
6	LOCATIONDESC[T.Alaska]	1.006983
7	AGE[T.18 to 44 Years]	1.946569
8	AGE[T.25 to 44 Years]	1.911454
9	AGE[T.45 to 64 Years]	1.910976
10	AGE[T.65 Years and Older]	1.913885
11	AGE[T.Age 20 and Older]	3.584818
12	AGE[T.Age 25 and Older]	3.584532
13	AGE[T.All Ages]	8.405993
14	DATA_VALUE	1.469572

Second Model: Decision Tree

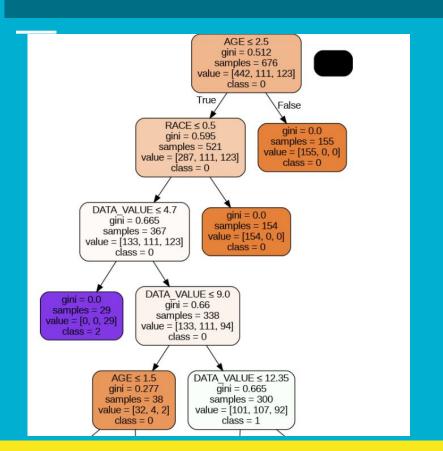
<u>Objective:</u> Predict the target variable (gender) based on the independent variables (features: race, age, location, data value)

Assigned all feature values (non-numerical) to a numerical value:

- Gender: Male (0), Female (1), Overall (2)
- Race: All Races (0), Asian/Pacific Islander (1), American Indian/Alaskan Native(2), African American (3), White (4), Hispanic (5)
- Age: All Ages (0), 18 to 24 (1), 18 to 44 (2), 20+ (3), 25+ (4), 25 to 44 (5), 45 to 64 (6), 65+ (7)
- Location: Alabama (0), Alaska (1)



Evaluation of Second Model: Decision Tree



- Accuracy score: 0.742268
- Each node is assigned a class (gender) based on whether they fit the criteria of the feature
- Gini is the impurity score (rate of samples that do not match the assigned class)
- R^2 score: 0.482

Comparisons Between the Models

Decision Tree $R^2 = 0.482$ Linear Regression $R^2 = 0.728$

Advantages of Decision Tree

- Decision Tree can capture complex relationships in the data
- It does not require much data preprocessing for feature engineering
- Decision tree can handle both categorical and numerical data

<u>Disadvantages of Decision Tree</u>

- Prone to overfitting, especially with complex trees
- Decision tree is computationally expensive with large datasets
- It can be unstable and sensitive to small changes in the data

Advantages of Linear Regression

- Linear Regression can provide insight into the relationship between the independent and dependent variables
- It is Computationally efficient and can handle large datasets
- Linear Regression model is simple and easy to understand model

Disadvantages of Linear Regression

- Assumes a linear relationship between independent and dependent variables
- Can be affected by multicollinearity among independent variables
- This model cannot capture complex relationships in the data

Possible Flaws With Data Itself

- Encoding with target variable with data that was unspecific. Some of the surveys marked male and female.
- Age bounds of some surveys overlapped.
- Difference in R2 Models