

Assignment 01

Title: Data Wrangling-I

Problem Statement:

Perform the following operations using Python on any open source dataset:

- 1) Import all required python libraries.
- 2) Read an open source data from web. Provide a clear description of data & its source.
- 3) Load the data set into pandas data frame.
- 4) Data preprocessing - checking for missing values in data using pandas `isnull()`, `describe()` function to get some initial statistics.
- 5) Check dimensions of data frame.
- 6) Data formatting & data normalization - summarize the type of variable by checking the data types (i.e. character, numeric, integer, factor & logical) of the variables in the data set. If variables are not in the correct data type, apply proper conversions.

Objectives:

- 1) To understand data wrangling & its importance in the data science cycle.
- 2) To understand & implement data preprocessing & data formatting functions using pandas python library.

Software & Hardware Requirements:

Processor - Intel i-5, 8th gen.

64-bit windows operating system.

python 3.8 & Jupyter notebook.

Theory:

Data Wrangling:

1) It involves a process which involves taking data from its original state to a format where we can perform meaningful analysis on it.

2) In practice there are 3 common tasks involved in the process:

i) data cleaning

ii) data transformation

iii) data enrichment

3) data cleaning: It involves removing null values & storing data in correct data types.

4) data transformation: It involves changing the structure of data as per downstream analysis

Pandas:

1) Pandas is an open-source library that provides high performance data manipulation in Python.

2) Data analysis requires lot of processing such as restructuring, cleaning & merging etc.

3) There are different tools available for data processing such as numpy, scipy.

Pandas is preferred because of its speed, simplicity & expressiveness, compared to other tools.



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Methodology:

- 1) Import the required libraries
- 2) Read & load csv into pandas dataframe.
- 3) Preprocess the data. - It involves handling missing values & related tasks.

The functions at this step:

1) `isnull()`

2) ~~isnull()~~ `dropna()`

3) `describe()`

- 4) Data formatting & normalization - checks for appropriate data-types

The functions used in this step:

1) `info()` `astype('type-name')`

- 2) Convert categorical variables into quantitative variables
functions used: `get_dummies()`

Conclusion:

In this assignment lab, we have successfully implemented data preprocessing, formatting & normalization using Pandas Python library.