# Data preprocessing steps in machine learning

### Import libraries and the dataset

```
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
dataset = pd.read_csv('Datasets.csv')
print (data set)
   Country Age Salary Purchased
0 France 44.0 72000.0
1 Spain 27.0 48000.0
2 Germany 30.0 54000.0
3 Spain 38.0 61000.0
4 Germany 40.0 NaN
                             1
5 France 35.0 58000.0
                             1
6 Spain NaN 52000.0
7 France 48.0 79000.0
8 Germany 50.0 83000.0
9 France 37.0 67000.0
```

### Extracting independent variable:

#### Extracting dependent variable:

```
y= data_set.iloc[:,3].values
y
array([0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 0, 1], dtype=int64)
```

#### Filling the dataset with the mean value of the attribute

#### Encoding the country variable

The machine learning models use mathematical equations. So categorical data is not accepted so we convert it into numerical form.

```
from sklearn.preprocessing import LabelEncoder
label_encoder_x= LabelEncoder()
x[:, 0]= label_encoder_x.fit_transform(x[:, 0])
```

### **Dummy encoding**

These dummy variables replace the categorical data as 0 and 1 in the absence or the presence of the specific categorical data.

## **Encoding for Purchased variable**

```
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### Splitting the dataset into training and test set:

```
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
x_train, x_test, y_train, y_test= train_test_split(x, y, test_size= 0.2, random_state=0)
```

## Feature Scaling