

feature engineering

Feature Transformation

- missing value imputation
- handling categorical features
- outlier detection
- feature scaling

Feature Construction

constructing new features manually

Feature Selection

✓ selecting top feature

Feature extraction

extracting new feature from the given features programmatically but not manually

1.4 feature scaling

It is a technique ^{used to transform and} to standardize the independent features present in the data in a fixed range to a consistent and predefined range.

Standardization

Normalization

↳ minmax scales

↳ Robustness scales

↳

Standardization is also called as

Z-score Normalization. No specific range

For ex: Age

$$x_1 = 27$$

$$32$$

$$64$$

$$35$$

⋮

⋮

⋮

500 values

$$x_1' = \frac{x_1 - \bar{x}}{\sigma}$$

$$x_2'$$

$$x_3'$$

⋮

⋮

⋮

500 values

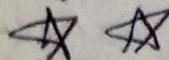
\bar{x} = mean of age column

σ = standard deviation of age column

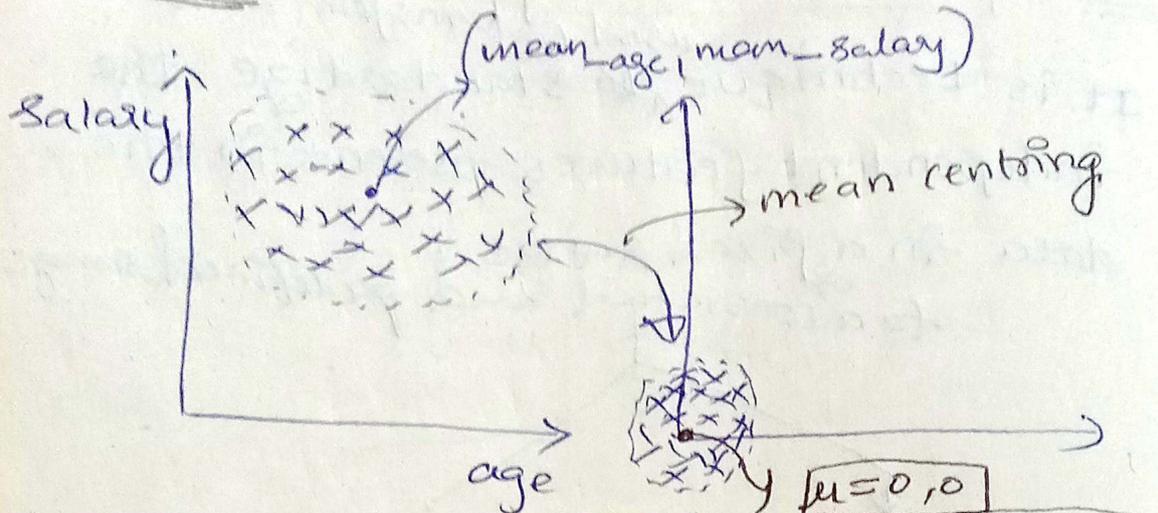
This column

$$\text{mean}(\mu) = 0$$

$$\sigma = 1$$



Intuition!



* If initially the $\sigma < 1 \Rightarrow$
we will scale up the data

* so that $\sigma = 1$, if $\sigma > 1$

then we scale down it to $\sigma = 1$

★ Intuition = mean centering + scaling by the factor of σ

* when you perform standardization on a particular column which has outliers. The outliers will not remove on standⁿ. we should handle them explicitly.

when to use standardization.

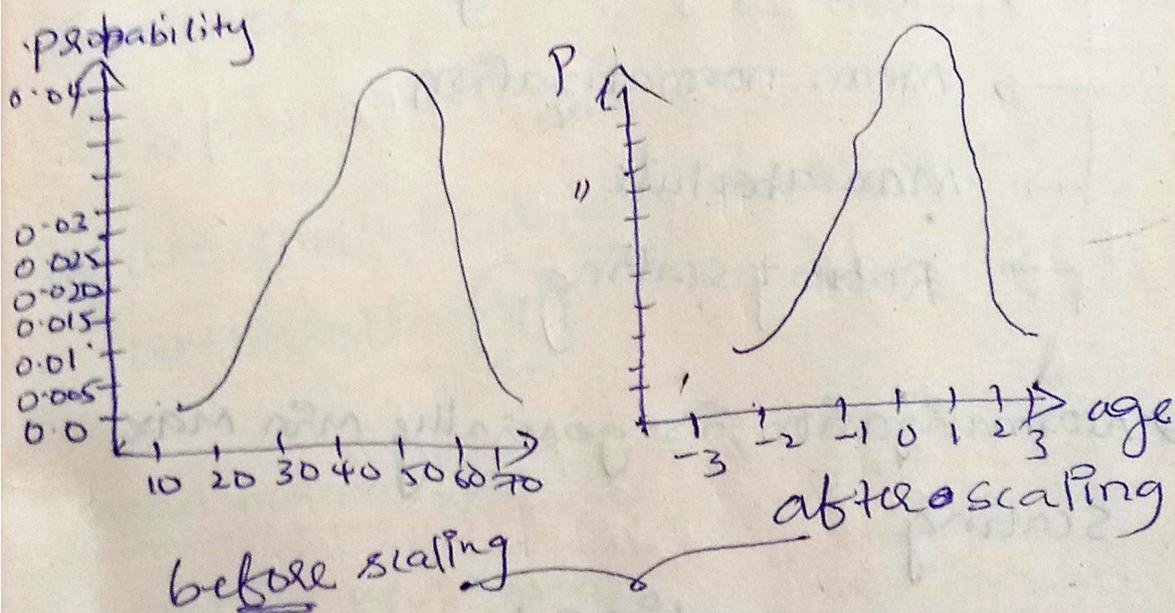
1. K-means (")
 2. K-Nearest neighbors (Euclidean distance)
 3. principal component analysis
- ★ (try to get features with max variance)

4. ANN - because we apply gradient descent

5. Gradient descent \rightarrow During back propagation we update the weights to have similar scale weights we use

* Distribution is always retained

\Rightarrow Eg: By using dist plot of age



Standardization defⁿ

Here all the features will be transformed in such a way that it will have the properties of a standard normal distribution with $\mu = 0$ & $\sigma = 1$ (standard devic)

Normalization:- It is a technique often applied as part of data preparation for machine.L. The goal of normalization is to change the values of numeric columns to use a common scale, without distorting differences in the ranges of values or losing information.

- Min Max scaling
- Mean normalization
- Max absolute
- Robust scaling.

⇒ Normalization is generally Min Max scaling

* Min Max scaling:-

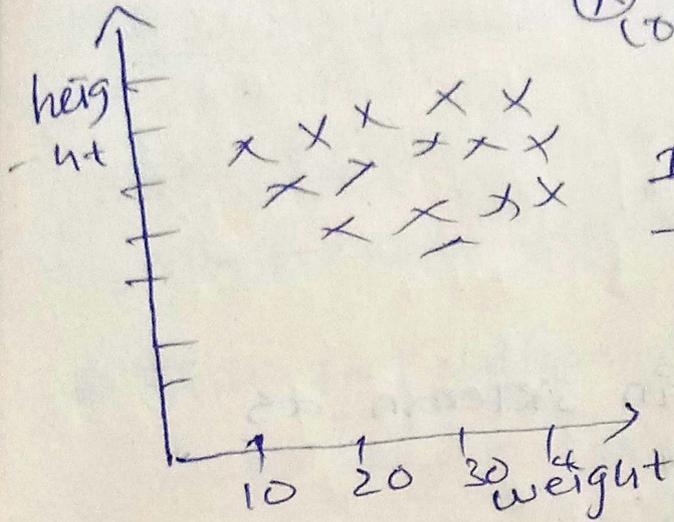
Age:-

$x_i =$ 21
17
16
34
56
!
100 values

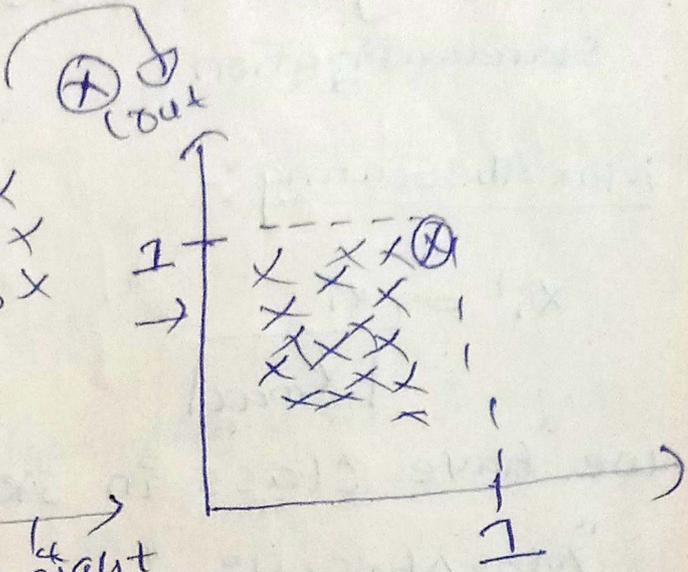
$$x_i' = \frac{x_i - x_{\min}}{x_{\max} - x_{\min}}$$

★ Range of Nor:- [0 to 1]

intuition



normalization



* After normalization distribution can may not be retained

* we should carefully think about outliers!! (?)

Mean normalization!

$$x_i' = \frac{x_i - x_{\text{mean}}}{x_{\text{max}} - x_{\text{min}}}$$

Range = [-1 to 1]

intuition! IS to converge data toward ~~mean~~ centre through mean which is called as Mean centring.

* Generally we don't use it because standardization.

MaxAbsScaling :-

$$x_i' = \frac{x_i}{|x_{\max}|}$$

we have class in sklearn as "MaxAbsScaling".

Use :- when we have sparse data.

Means data having more Zero's

Robust scaling :-

we

$$x_i' = \frac{x_i - 200}{300}$$

75

$$x_i' = \frac{x_i - x_{\text{median}}}{IQR}$$

IQR = Interquartile range

$$= (75^{\text{th}} \text{ percentile} - 25^{\text{th}} \text{ percentile})$$

$$= (Q_3 - Q_1)$$

Use :- It is Robust to outliers

* Means when we have outliers we can use this

Normalization VS Standardization

→ Q1: Is feature scaling required?

Q2: If yes, 90% we use standard scales

only 10% normal scales

* Tip! - IN CNN we deal with images which range 0-255 pixels we know the range then we use Normalization

1.2 Handling categorical features:

nominal features

⇒ No order of categories

egⁿ: States
Kerala
Maharashtra
Andhra

Solⁿ

"One Hot Encoding"

ordinal features

The feature in which categories have order

egⁿ: Edⁿ
PG (post graduate)
UG (under ...)
HS (High school)

order ⇒ PG > UG > HS

Solⁿ ⇒ Ordinal Encoding

⇒ label encoding

Ordinal encoding

1) Label encoding: we use this when our label/output column has categories like (yes/No) (classification)

Eg:

no. of hours studied	no. of hours slept	pass/fail
5	8	pass
6	9	fail
7	7	pass
8	6	fail

we use label encoding

pass/fail
1
0
1
0

2) ordinal encoding: we give order as PG=2, UG=1, HS=0

Education (Edn)

HS	0
PG	2
UG	1
PG	2
HS	0
UG	1

* Both label / ordinal encodings are same. But label is only used on dependent feature, ordinal used on independent features

One Hot Encoding

eg. color

- yellow
- Blue
- Red
- Blue
- yellow
- Blue

SK-learn Pipelines

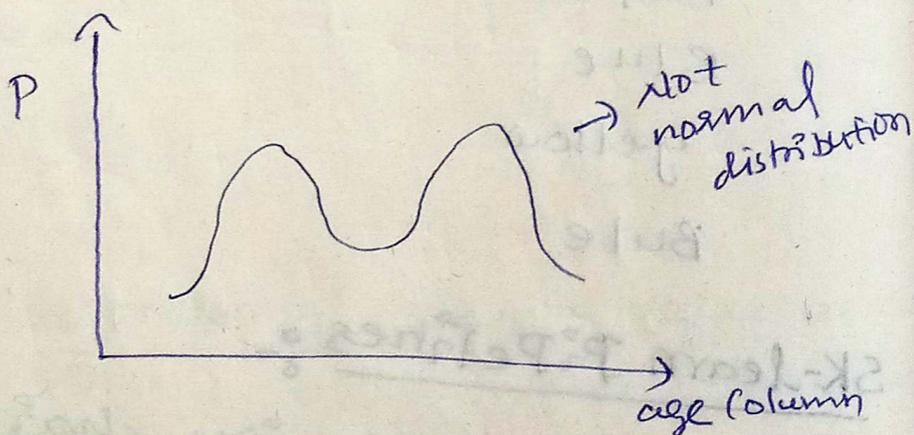
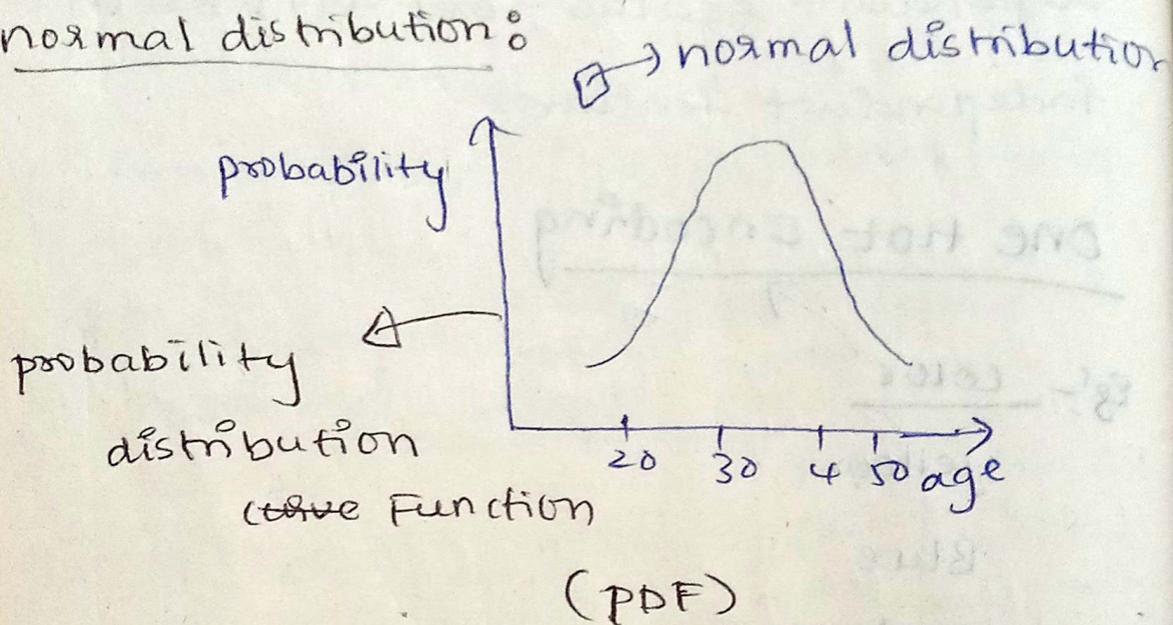
* Pipelines is a mechanism chains together multiple steps so that the output of each step is used as input to the next step.

* pipeline makes it easy to apply the same preprocessing to train & test

Function Transformers :-

Goal :- IS to make ~~not~~ normal distribution

normal distribution :



Use of normal distribution:- In ML

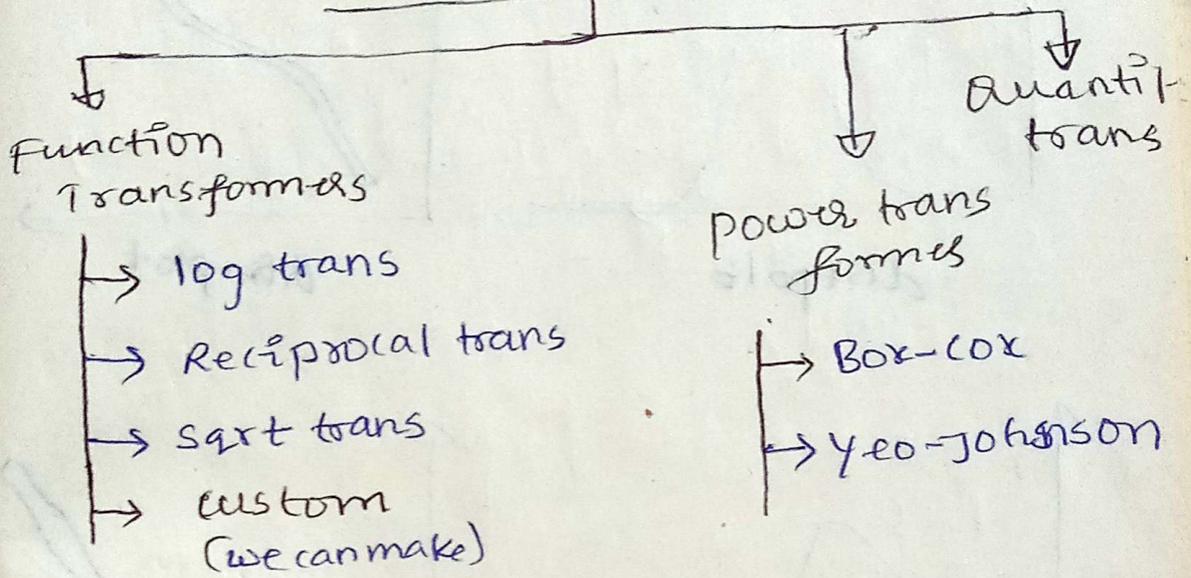
we have statistical algorithms

there are linear regression, logistic

regression :- etc. so that we can get

good accuracy.

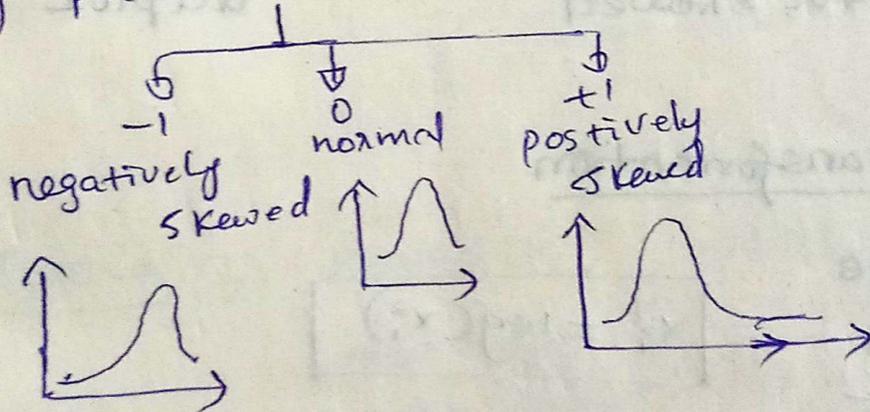
Sklearn Transformers



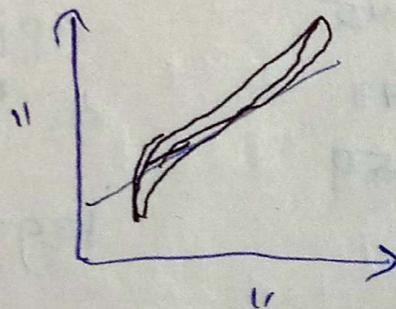
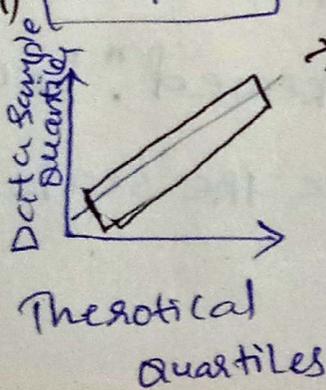
i) How you find the normal distribution?

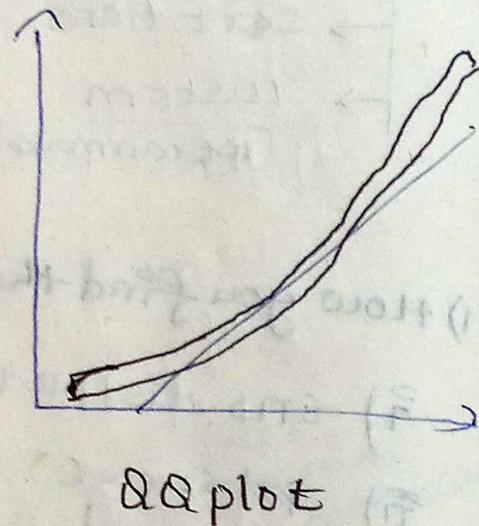
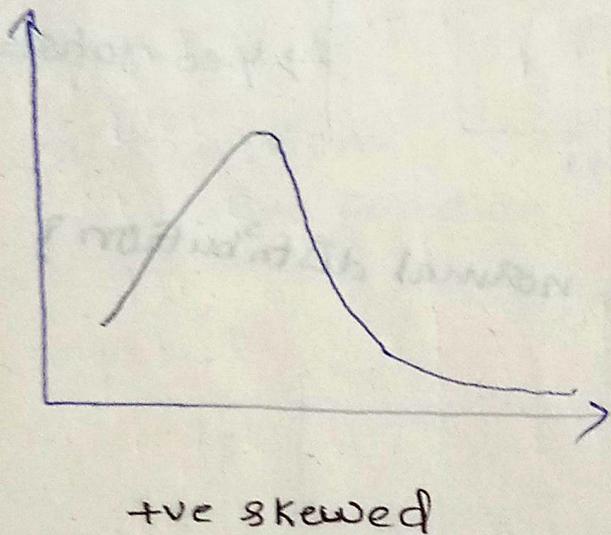
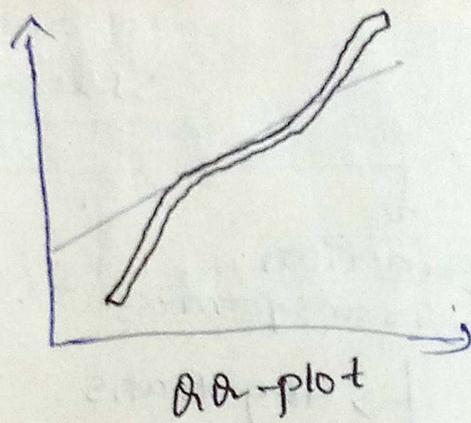
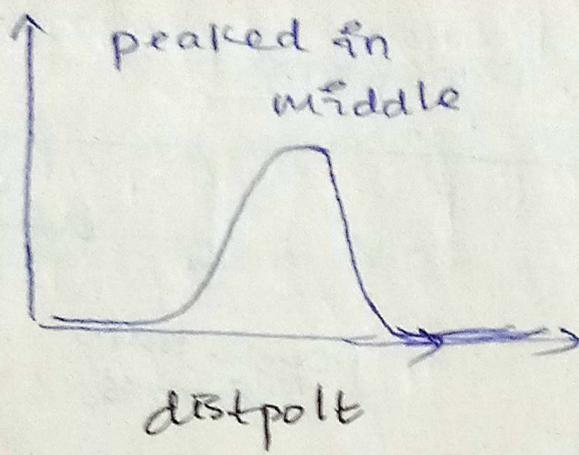
ii) sns.distplot

iii) pd.skew()



iii) QR plot





log transformation

eg: Age

$x_i = 21$

35

40

45

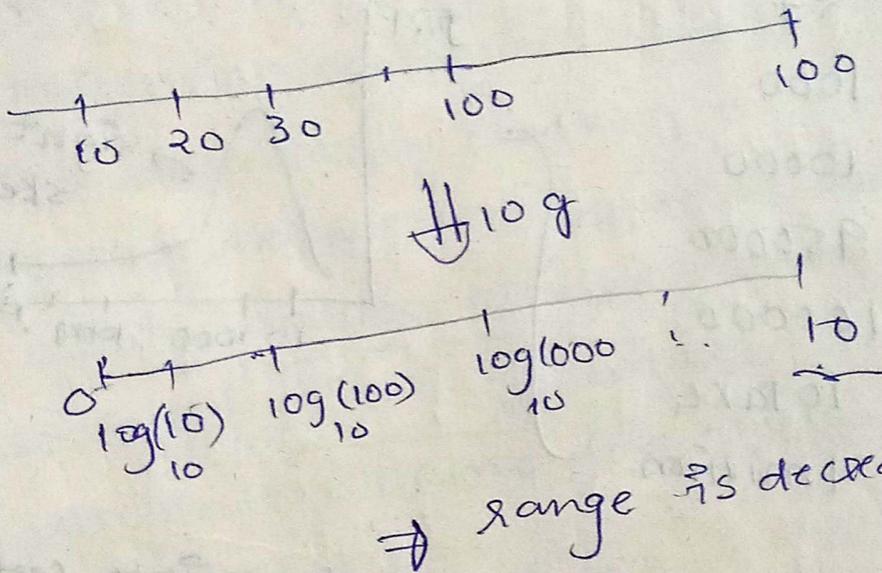
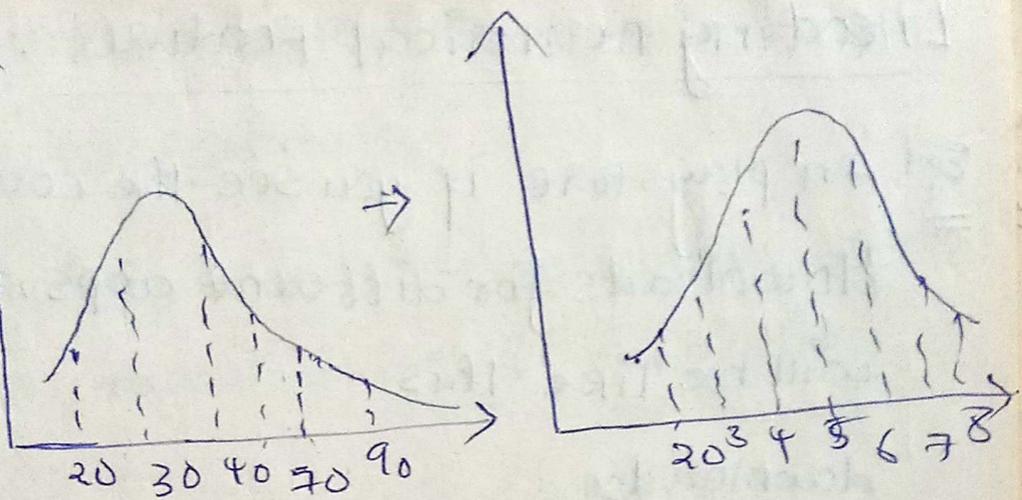
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$$x_i' = \log(x_i)$$

* The log transform is applied when our data is "tvely skewed". Because log decrease the scale.

eg:-



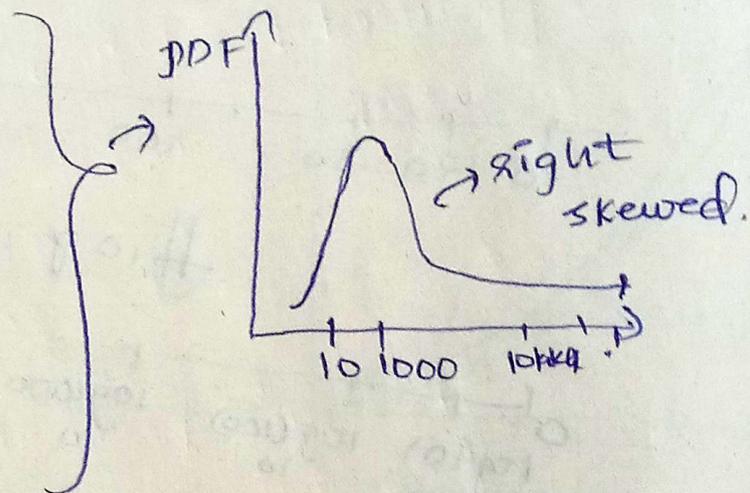
Reciprocal ($\frac{1}{x}$) : square (x^2) | sqrt (\sqrt{x})
: used for
: left skewed
: data.

Encoding numerical features

Eg: In playstore if you see the count of downloads for different apps, they will be like this:

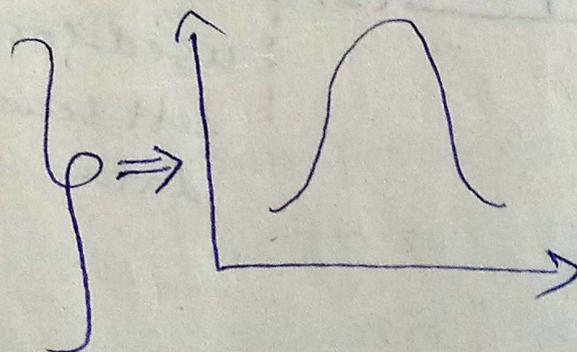
downloads

27
1000
10000
950000
100000
10 lakh
1 million



But when you convert them into certain ranges (or) bins like this:

10-1000
1K-10K
10K-100K
100K-1000K
1000K-10000K



* what we have done above?

we have converted the "numerical data" to "categorical data".

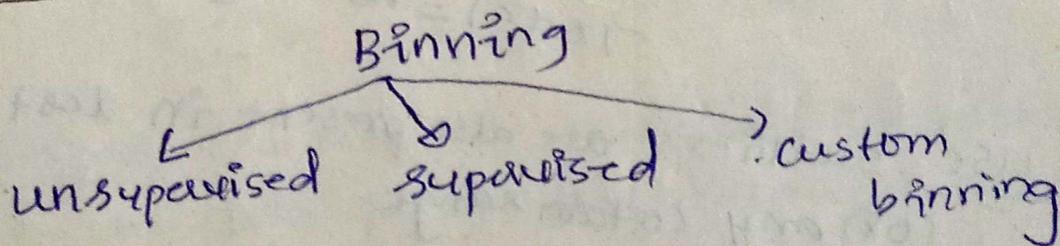
* The technique we use to convert numerical to categorical is "Discretization".

1) Discretization: It is a process of transforming continuous variables into discrete variables by creating a set of contiguous intervals that span the range of variable's values. Discretization is also called binning, where bin is an alternative name for interval.

Why use Discretization:-

1. To handle outliers
2. To improve the value spread.

Types of Discretization:-



unsupervised

supervised

custom binning

→ Equal width
(uniform)
→ Equal frequency
(quantile)
→ k means
binning

→ Decision
tree
Binning

Equal width / uniform Binning :-

Age :- 27, 32, 84, 56, ..., 160

$$\max_{\text{age}} = 160$$

$$\min_{\text{age}} = 0$$

We select the no. of bins = 16

$$\begin{aligned} \text{A Range} &= \frac{\max_{\text{age}} - \min_{\text{age}}}{16} \\ &= \frac{160 - 0}{16} = 10 \end{aligned}$$

Now bins range will be

(0-10), (10-20), (20-30), ..., (150-160)

total = 16 bins

use: outliers are also present in last
(or) any certain range.

ii) No change spread (or) distribution.

Equal Frequency / Quantile Binning :-

⇒ we should decide no. of intervals = 10

Each interval contains 10% of total observations.

0-16, 16-20, 20-22, 22-25; ----

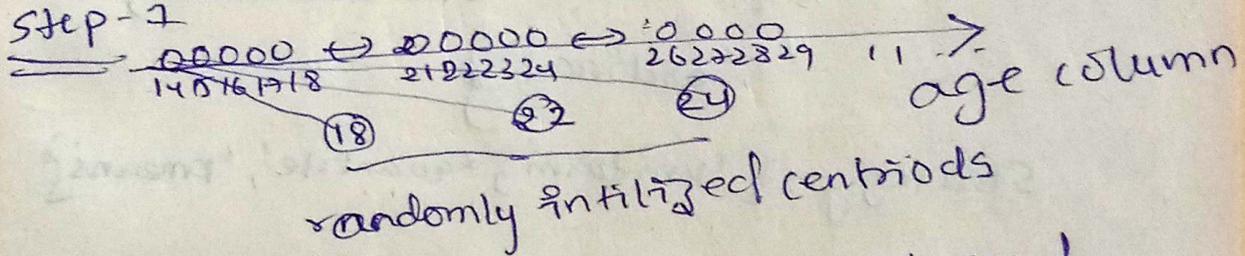
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Note! Here bin width is not constant

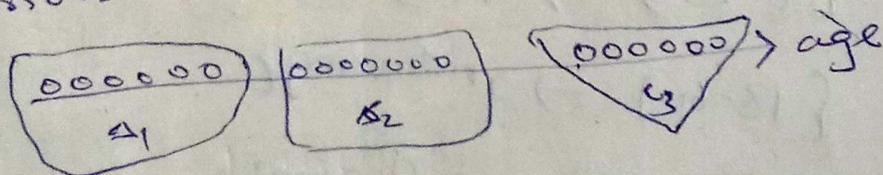
K-Means Binning :-

used! when our column is in the form of clusters or groups

Step-1



Step-2 Now distance b/w one point and every centroid is calculated. If the distance is less than that the point assigned to a particular centroid.



Step-3 Now mean of each point is selected in cluster is taken then centroid position is changed within the cluster.

Step 4 :- process repeated when position of centroid is changed.

* finally the range of each bin is

$0 - c_1, c_1 - c_2, c_2 - c_3, \dots$

Code :-

from sklearn.preprocessing import KBinsDiscretizer

parameters :-

n-bins = our wish (any int)

encode = {'onehot', 'one-hot-dense',
'ordinal'}

strategy = {'uniform', 'quantile', 'kmeans'}

Custom/Domain Based Binning :-

* we create own range like

[0-18] → 1st range

[18-60] → 2nd range

[60-80] → 3rd range

* This class is not present in sklearn, we should use

pandas.

Q. 2. Binarization!

For ex:-

age

16

17

12

22

35

45

77

65

62

54

80

age'

0

0

0

0

0

0

1

1

1

1

1

I set a threshold = 45

If ~~may~~ age \leq 45

then

If $age_i \leq 45$ $age'_i = 0$

$age_i > 45$ $age'_i = 1$

Correlation vs Co-Variance

Direction ✓

Strength ✓

Range = -1 to 1

Direction ✓

Strength (X)

Range:- $-\infty$ to $+\infty$

Mixed data

For ex:

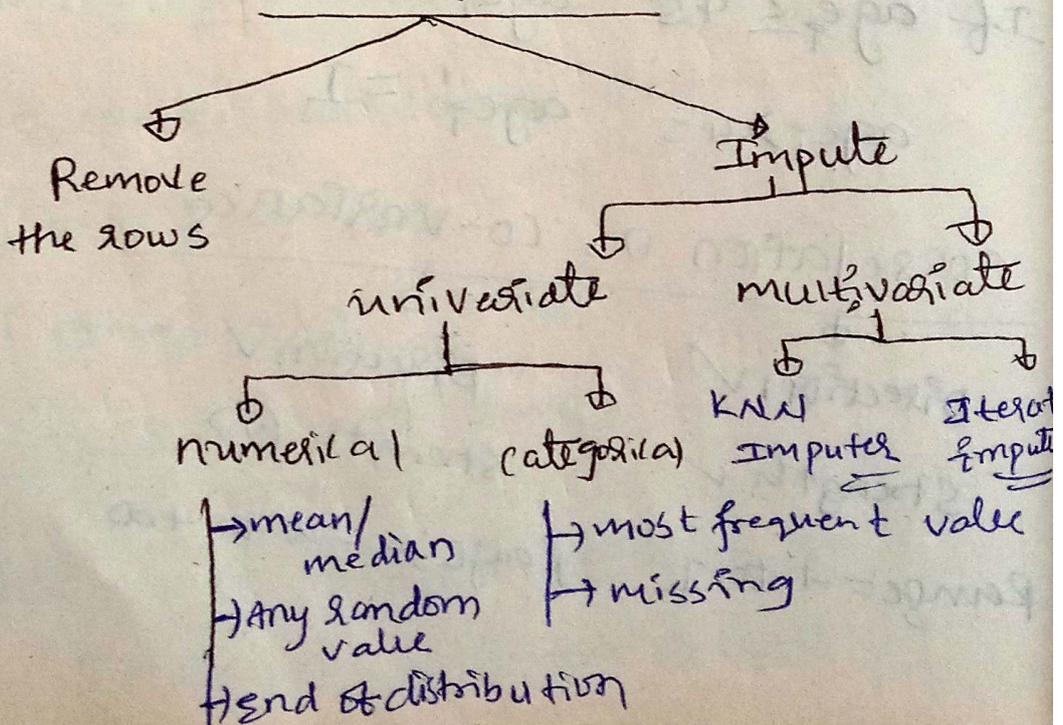
cabin	categorical	numerical
B5	B	5
D4	D	4
S2	S	2
H3	H	3
C23	C	23
D41	D	41

Type-2:

column	cat	num
7	7	NaN (null)
3	3	NaN
1	1	NaN
A	NaN	A
C	NaN	C
4	4	NaN
3	3	NaN

*

MISSING values



Complete Case Analysis (CCA):

(OR)

* Complete case analysis (CCA), is also called "list-wise deletion" of cases, consists in discarding observations where values in any of the variables are missing.

* Complete case analysis means literally analyzing only those observations for which there is information in all of the variables in the dataset.

Assumption for CCA:

We apply the CCA when our data is randomly missing.

* we don't apply CCA:

⇒ Let us assume in one of the column if 1st 50 rows values or last 50 rows values are missing then we don't apply it.

* we follow MCAR = missing complete at random.

* $df.isnull().mean() * 100$

we get percentage of miss values in each column

Numerical data:-

1) * Mean/Median is discussed before.

2) * Arbitrary value constant

Simple imputer (strategy = 'constant',
fill_value = any value)

when to use:- When data is not missing at random.

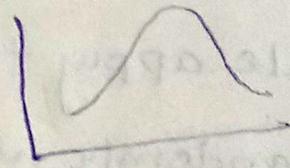
3) End of Distribution Imputation:-

when to use:- When data is not missing at random.

Case-1

It is normality distributed

then we fill with $(\text{mean} + 3\sigma)$ ✓
(or)
 $\text{mean} - 3\sigma$ ✓



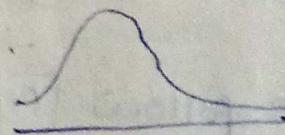
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Case-2

It is +vely or -vely skewed then we use

* we fill with $Q_1 - 1.5 IQR$

$Q_3 + 1.5 IQR$



$Q_1 = 25^{th}$ percentile value

$Q_3 = 75^{th}$ percentile value

$$IQR = Q_3 - Q_1$$

Disadvantages

→ Outliers

→ Distribution (PDF)

→ Covariance change

→ Variance (per obs) decreases largely

Univariate-categorical

* most frequent;

codn: If data is MCAR

(i) $5 < \%$

* "Missing" :- Here we will with the word 'missing' in place of Nan values

codn NOT MCAR

(ii) $\frac{5}{10} > \%$

Random Imputation :-

* It is applied on both numerical and categorical data.

* It doesn't matter

i) MCAR

ii) < 5%

* Eg

	<u>Sex</u>	<u>Age</u>
	M	26
Randomly	F	32
Chosen	M	54
	F	29
		12
	M	
	F	52

These missing values will be replaced by the random number in that column

* Imp!

- preserves the variance of the variable
- memory heavy for deployment, as we need to store the original training

set to extract values from and replace the NA in coming observations *

- well suited for linear model as it does not distort the distribution, regardless of the % of NA

KNN Imputer

	col 1	col 2	col 3	col 4
R1	12	14	-	13
R2	15	16	17	19
R3	14	12	17	25

$(12, 14, -, 13)$ = point 1
 point 2 = $(-, 15, 16, 17)$

- * The distance b/w $(1, 2, 3)$ & $(7, 8, 9)$ is calculated through "Euclidean distance"
- * But we have missing values so we use "non-euclidean"

For ex: non-euclidean b/w P1 & P2

$$= \sqrt{\text{weight} \times [(x_1 - x_2)^2 + (y_1 - y_2)^2 + (z_1 - z_2)^2 + \dots]}$$

$$\text{weight} = \frac{\text{Total no. of actual pairs}}{\text{no. of pairs present}}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{dist}_{R1, R2} &= \sqrt{\text{weight} \times [(14 - 15)^2 + (13 - 17)^2]} \\
 R1, R2 &= \frac{3}{2} \times [() + ()] = 10
 \end{aligned}$$

$$R_2 \star R_3 = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3} \times \left[(\quad)^2 + (\quad)^2 + (\quad)^2 \right]} = 50$$

* If no. of neighbors = 2 = k

$$\text{The } A_1 = \frac{12 + 14}{2}$$

weights = uniform \Leftrightarrow we have
take the mean of the nearest

laws.

If weights = distance,

$$\text{then } A_1 = \frac{\frac{1}{d_1}(x_1) + \frac{1}{d_2}(x_2)}{2}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{1}{10}(12) + \frac{1}{50}(14)}{2}$$

$$= \dots$$

Advantages:

3) most accurate values than mean/
median/random

Disadv.

\rightarrow If the dataset is large then it
takes so much time to fit. means be
- cause it should calculate more distances.

ii) During the deployment time we should upload our testing dataset, because if any input value of the user is missing we should calculate the distances.

Iterative Imputer / MICE !

MICE = Multivariate Imputation by Chained Equations.

Assumptions

MCAR = Missing completely at random

MAR = " at random

MNAR = " Not " "

* we get good results of mice when

MAR condⁿ is present.

Adv A Dis adv

↓
most accurate

↓
i) on large dataset its working is very slow

ii) memory = we should upload the data set on the server.

Outliers:- The data that behave different -ly from others -

→ Big Question!:- In some situations outlier can also be use & dangerous, when should they.

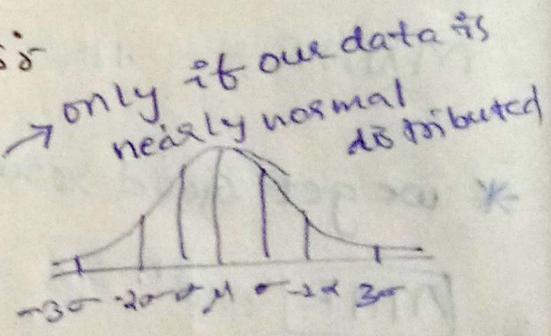
Effect of outliers on ML algorithms!

* The algorithms in which the weights are assigned are generally effected. they are!

- i) Linear Regression
- ii) Logistic Regression
- iii) Adaboost
- iv) Deep learning

How to detect outliers?

1. Normal distribution



For ex! age colⁿ
* If data in age col is m

$> \mu + 3\sigma$ OR $< \mu - 3\sigma$ then it is outlier.

2. Skewed distribution!

