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AE 03: Use your data

Discussion questions

- 1. For each predictive problem, decide whether simple random sampling is appropriate or not. If not, suggest an alternative.
 - Medical AI for Emergency Diagnosis
 - ► Dataset: 50,000 emergency room visits from 3 hospitals (Hospital A: 35,000 cases, Hospital B: 10,000 cases, Hospital C: 5,000 cases)
 - Goal: Predict whether patients need immediate surgery based on symptoms and vital signs

- Climate change prediction model
 - Dataset: Daily temperature and weather measurements from 1980-2023 across 200 weather stations
 - Goal: Predict future temperature trends for the next 5 years



- 2. You're building a model to predict house prices. Your workflow includes:
 - Calculating neighborhood average prices as a feature
 - Removing outliers (houses > \$2M)
 - Normalizing all price-related features
 - Training a regression model

At what point should you split your data? Identify potential sources of information leakage and explain how your timing prevents them.

- 3. You have a dataset with 1,000 observations and are deciding between 5-fold CV and 10-fold CV. For each approach, explain:
 - How many observations will be in each analysis set? _____
 - How many observations will be in each assessment set?
 - Which approach would likely give you a less biased estimate of model performance?
 - Which approach would likely give you more stable (less variable) results?
 - Which would you choose and why?