

Client Overview

The client owns an Al-powered e-commerce aggregator that enhances shopping experiences by enabling seamless product comparison across multiple retailer websites. However, inconsistent product categorization across retailers' websites created challenges in assigning the same product to a unified category, compromising search accuracy and user experience. To solve this problem, they sought a trusted technology partner with advanced Al and machine learning expertise who would ultimately improve search quality, refine recommendations, and deliver a smarter, more seamless shopping experience.

Mismatch Mayhem: The Hidden Barriers to Smarter Shopping

E-commerce aggregators thrive on seamless product discovery, but inconsistent categorization across retailer websites created numerous roadblocks for the client. While individual retailers structured their product categories effectively, the lack of a unified system led to search inconsistencies, affecting user experience and purchase decisions. The client faced numerous challenges, such as:

- The Categorization Chaos: Retailers defined product categories differently, making grouping identical products under a single classification challenging. It also caused search inefficiencies from the same product showing up in several categories.
- The Search Accuracy Dilemma: Misclassified products resulted in inaccurate search results, frustrating users and reducing conversion rates. A lack of standardization meant inconsistent search suggestions and filters, leading to poor product discovery.
- The Broken User Experience: Users couldn't compare products easily due to category mismatches across different retailers. Inconsistent categorization indirectly impacted recommendations and up-selling, leading to lost revenue opportunities.

Traditional rule-based categorization failed to address the scale and complexity of multiple retailer taxonomies. A sophisticated Al-driven approach was required to intelligently classify and map products across different sources.

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Strategic Thinking, AI Execution: Indium's AI-Driven Approach for Product Categorization

Product categorization is highly significant for e-commerce websites. Displaying the most popular categories up front speeds up free text searches and improves user experience.

To tackle the challenge of inconsistent product categorization, we implemented a strategic, Al-driven approach that ensured accurate classification and seamless product discovery. The solution was structured into multiple stages, leveraging advanced techniques to enhance efficiency and precision.

Data Sampling – Ensuring Balanced Representation

To create a well-distributed dataset, a Random Sampling with a Stratification approach was employed, ensuring a fair representation of each product category.

Pre-Processing Phase – Converting Text into Usable Data

Before training, product data was transformed into numerical representations using techniques such as TF-IDF, N-grams, stop word removal, and stemming/lemmatization to refine text-based inputs.

Model Training – Building Intelligent Classification Models

The processed data was trained using Support Vector Machines (SVM) and Naïve Bayes models, ensuring robust categorization and high accuracy.

Parameter Tuning – Optimizing for Maximum Accuracy

Cross-validation and Grid Search (Scikit-Learn) were used to fine-tune model performance and identify the best parameters for improved classification

Model Nesting – Structuring for Hierarchical Categorization

A hierarchical approach was applied to classification by developing separate models for different category levels using **Group By formulas**, **for-loops**, and subsetting techniques.

Deployment & Production – Enabling Seamless Integration

The final trained model was integrated into the client's system using **JavaScript**, **Django**, **and Pickling**, ensuring smooth deployment and real-time categorization.

The solution delivered accurate, scalable, and Al-powered product classification through this structured approach, enhancing search results, recommendations, and overall user experience.

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Precision in Product Categorization, Powering Business Impact at Scale

By leveraging Al-driven driven approaches, Indium transformed the client's product categorization process, ensuring accuracy, consistency, and seamless product discovery. Our strategic approach not only optimized search relevance but also delivered a measurable business impact at scale.

- ➤ 75% Accuracy Smarter Al, Sharper Categorization:

 The Al model achieved great accuracy in predicting categories for new products, ensuring precise classification and improved product discovery.
- ▶ **3% Conversion Boost:** An increase in conversion rates across all product categories contributed to a 20% rise in Gross Merchandise Value (GMV), driving significant business impact.
- **Better Categorization, Bigger Revenue:** Enhanced product categorization and superior indexing led to better search results, directly improving product discovery and user experience.



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