



Assessing avenues of ShareCrabb investment: A look at University of Wisconsin – Madison Using PostgreSQL and statistical analysis

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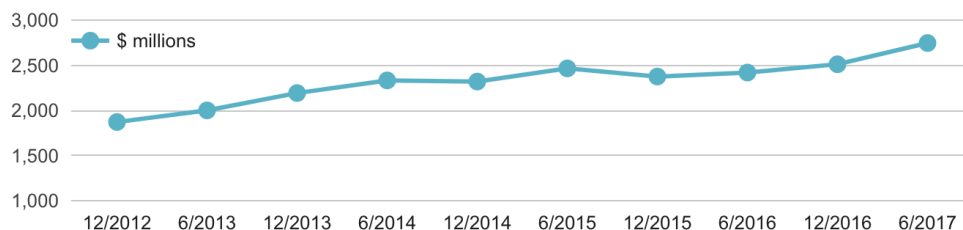
Roadmap

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Background

- ShareCrabb is meeting with its team to review how well UW-Madison students have done academically in the past decade.
- Rapidly rising university tuition costs are creating consumer consciousness in how universities spend their funds. ShareCrabb wants help their client Mr. Jenkins to invest in a university that consumers feel is spending their funds well.

Endowment Fund Assets 2013-17



The endowment fund has grown from \$2 billion in value on June 30, 2013, to more than \$2.7 billion as of June 30, 2017, as reflected in this graph.



Purpose

- Today we will be answering the following questions:
 - Insight on STEM education
 - Insight on STEM and humanities progression
 - Insight on class duration
 - Insight on class size

Methodology

- Connect tables in database using PSQL
- Feature engineer for year
- Feature engineer for weight grades
- Assess business value of various statistical measures

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q = """
SELECT DISTINCT
  sub_m.subject_code
, sub_j.name AS sub_j_name
, grade_d.a_count
, grade_d.ab_count
, grade_d.b_count
, grade_d.bc_count
, grade_d.c_count
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, grade_d.i_count
, grade_d.nw_count
, grade_d.nr_count
, grade_d.other_count
, sch.start_time
, sch.end_time
,
CASE
  WHEN term_code BETWEEN 1063 AND 1073 THEN '2006'
  WHEN term_code BETWEEN 1073 AND 1083 THEN '2007'
  WHEN term_code BETWEEN 1083 AND 1093 THEN '2008'
  WHEN term_code BETWEEN 1093 AND 1103 THEN '2009'
  WHEN term_code BETWEEN 1103 AND 1113 THEN '2010'
  WHEN term_code BETWEEN 1113 AND 1123 THEN '2011'
  WHEN term_code BETWEEN 1123 AND 1133 THEN '2012'
  WHEN term_code BETWEEN 1133 AND 1143 THEN '2013'
  WHEN term_code BETWEEN 1143 AND 1153 THEN '2014'
  WHEN term_code BETWEEN 1153 AND 1163 THEN '2015'
  WHEN term_code BETWEEN 1163 AND 1173 THEN '2016'
  WHEN term_code BETWEEN 1173 AND 1183 THEN '2017'
  ELSE 'the_world_is_over'
END AS Year

FROM grade_distributions AS grade_d

JOIN sections sect
  ON sect.course_offering_uid = grade_d.course_offering_uid
 AND sect.number = grade_d.section_number

JOIN subject_memberships sub_m
  ON grade_d.course_offering_uid = sub_m.course_offering_uid

JOIN course_offerings cor_o
  ON cor_o.uid = grade_d.course_offering_uid

JOIN schedules sch
  ON sect.schedule_uid = sch.uid

JOIN subjects sub_j
  ON cast(sub_m.subject_code as text) = cast(sub_j.code as text)
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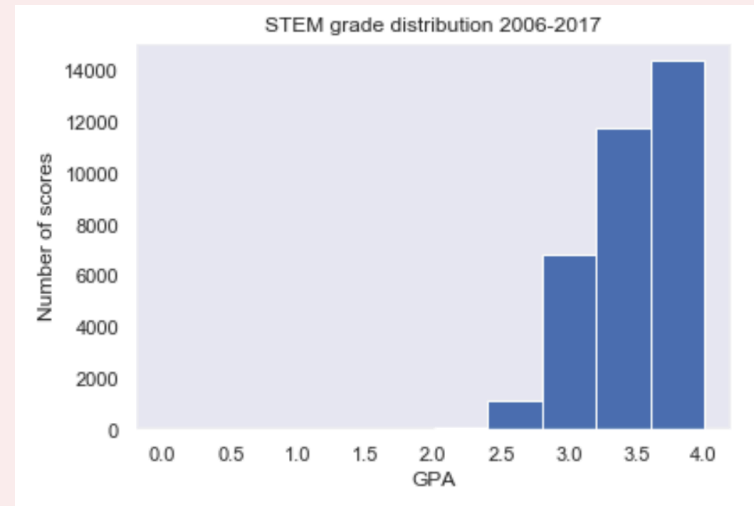
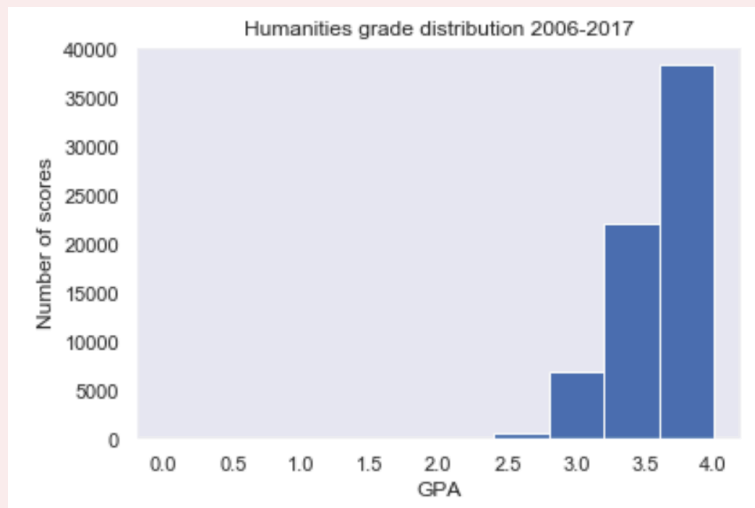


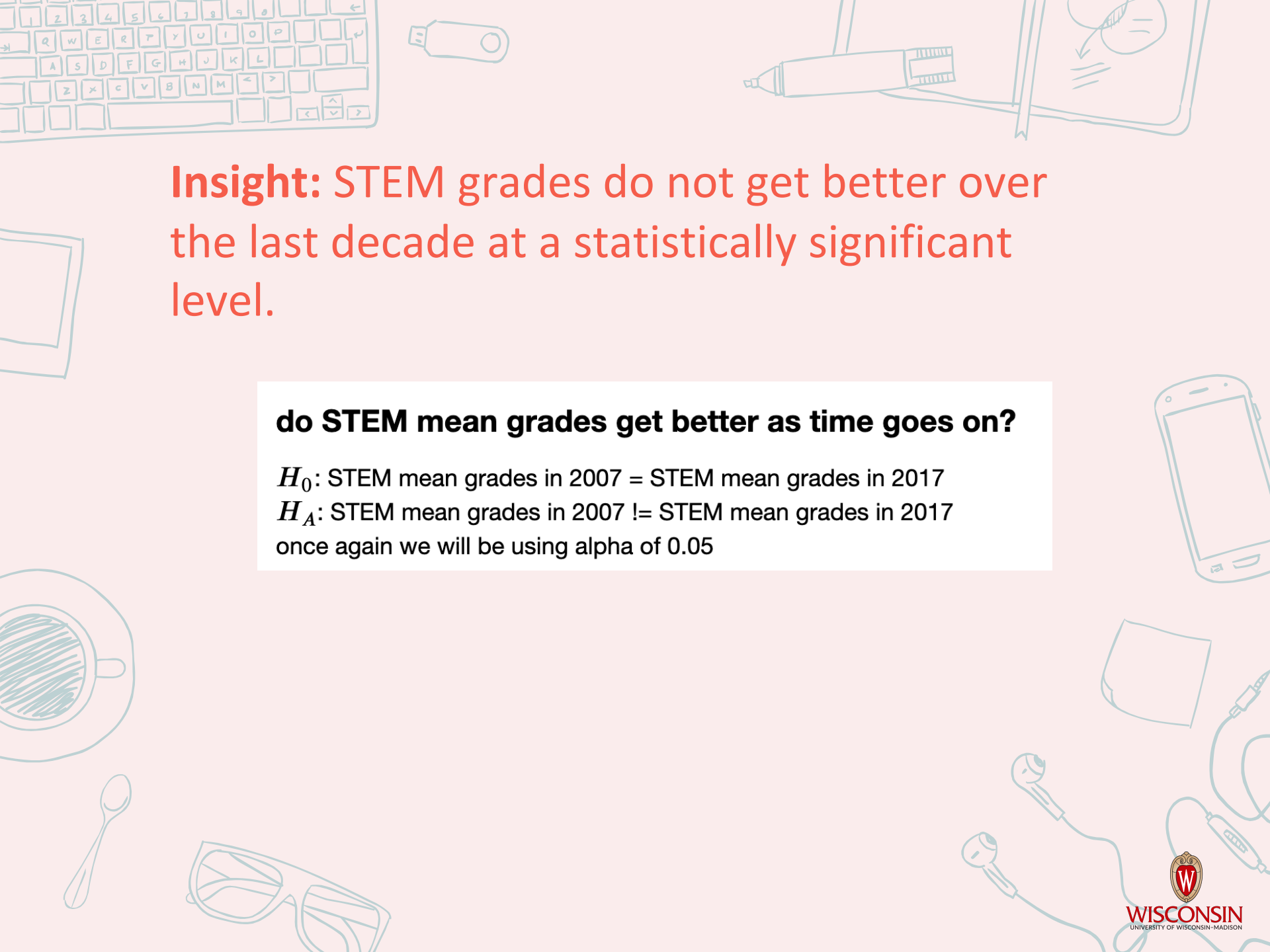


Challenges

- Connecting tables in database using PSQL
- Deciding what to do about unknown grades
- Working with class sections
- Categorizing what is STEM and what is not STEM
- Deciding what is a long and short class
- Two sample t tests were giving inconclusive results

Insight: There is not a significant difference between GPAs for STEM classes and GPAs for humanities classes at UW-Madison.





Insight: STEM grades do not get better over the last decade at a statistically significant level.

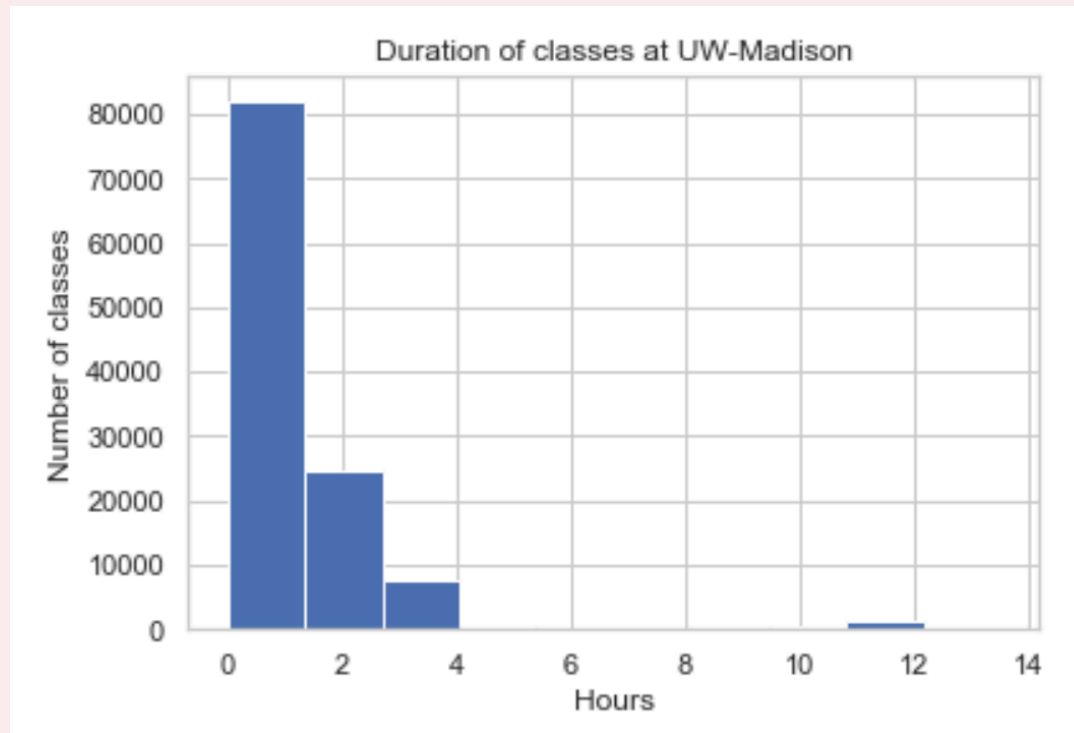
do STEM mean grades get better as time goes on?

H_0 : STEM mean grades in 2007 = STEM mean grades in 2017

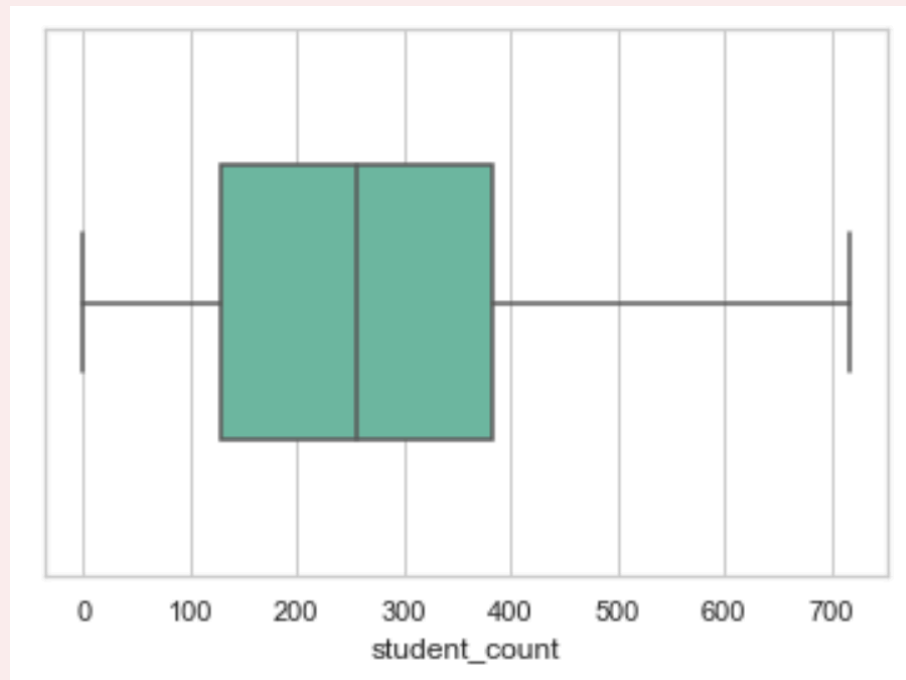
H_A : STEM mean grades in 2007 \neq STEM mean grades in 2017

once again we will be using alpha of 0.05

Insight: Longer classes are not associated with the same grades as shorter classes at a statistically significant level.



Insight: Large classes do not not produce the same grades as small classes at a statistically significant level. Large class is defined as classes greater than size = 255.





Next Steps

We need the financial data to ask the following questions:

- Does increase in endowment over the years have a statistically significant increase in grades?
- Does increase in endowment over the years correlate with the increase in percentage of high performing teachers?
- Does an increase in A's correlate with higher median salary after graduation for the class?
- Does course load have a statistically significant impact on salary outcomes after school?