Project 6 - Apollo Hospital

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0.1 Context

Apollo Hospitals was established in 1983, renowned as the architect of modern healthcare in India. As the nation's first corporate hospital, Apollo Hospitals is acclaimed for pioneering the private healthcare revolution in the country.

As a data scientist working at Apollo 24/7, the ultimate goal is to tease out meaningful and actionable insights from Patient-level collected data.

You can help Apollo hospitals to be more efficient, to influence diagnostic and treatment processes, to map the spread of a pandemic.

One of the best examples of data scientists making a meaningful difference at a global level is in the response to the COVID-19 pandemic, where they have improved information collection, provided ongoing and accurate estimates of infection spread and health system demand, and assessed the effectiveness of government policies.

0.1.1 How can you help here?

The company wants to know:

- Which variables are significant in predicting the reason for hospitalization for different regions
- How well some variables like viral load, smoking, Severity Level describe the hospitalization charges

0.1.2 Column Profiling

- Age: This is an integer indicating the age of the primary beneficiary (excluding those above 64 years, since they are generally covered by the government).
- Sex: This is the policy holder's gender, either male or female
- Viral Load: Viral load refers to the amount of virus in an infected person's blood
- Severity Level: This is an integer indicating how severe the patient is
- Smoker: This is yes or no depending on whether the insured regularly smokes tobacco.
- Region: This is the beneficiary's place of residence in Delhi, divided into four geographic regions northeast, southeast, southwest, or northwest
- Hospitalization charges: Individual medical costs billed to health insurance

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[1]: import numpy as np
     import pandas as pd
     import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
     import seaborn as sns
     from scipy import stats
[2]: #Importing the Dataset
     df=pd.read_csv('https://d2beiqkhq929f0.cloudfront.net/public_assets/assets/000/
      →001/681/original/scaler_apollo_hospitals.csv')
     df.head()
[2]:
        Unnamed: 0
                                            region viral load
                                                                 severity level
                    age
                             sex smoker
                     19
                         female
                                         southwest
                                                           9.30
                                    yes
     1
                 1
                     18
                           male
                                     no
                                         southeast
                                                          11.26
                                                                               1
     2
                 2
                     28
                           male
                                         southeast
                                                          11.00
                                                                               3
                                     no
     3
                 3
                     33
                           male
                                     no
                                         northwest
                                                           7.57
                                                                               0
                 4
                                                           9.63
                                                                               0
     4
                     32
                           male
                                         northwest
        hospitalization charges
     0
                           42212
     1
                            4314
     2
                           11124
     3
                           54961
     4
                            9667
[3]: #Dropping the first column
     df.drop(columns='Unnamed: 0',inplace=True)
     df.head()
[3]:
                sex smoker
                                region viral load severity level
        age
     0
         19
             female
                       yes
                             southwest
                                              9.30
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                                              11.26
     1
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               male
                             southeast
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                        no
                                                                  3
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                        no southeast
                                              11.00
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         33
               male
                                              7.57
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                        no northwest
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               male
                        no northwest
                                              9.63
        hospitalization charges
     0
                           42212
     1
                            4314
     2
                           11124
     3
                           54961
     4
                            9667
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- "Hospitalization Charges" is the dependant variable.
- All other columns are independent variables.

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[4]: #Checking the shape of the dataset
     df.shape
     #There are 1338 rows and 7 columns.
[4]: (1338, 7)
[5]: #Checking the data types of the different columns
     df.info()
    <class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
    RangeIndex: 1338 entries, 0 to 1337
    Data columns (total 7 columns):
         Column
                                  Non-Null Count Dtype
         ----
     0
                                  1338 non-null
                                                  int64
         age
                                  1338 non-null object
     1
         sex
     2
        smoker
                                  1338 non-null object
     3
        region
                                  1338 non-null object
                                  1338 non-null float64
        viral load
     5
         severity level
                                  1338 non-null
                                                  int64
        hospitalization charges 1338 non-null
                                                  int64
    dtypes: float64(1), int64(3), object(3)
    memory usage: 73.3+ KB
[6]: #Checking for null values
     df.isna().sum()
     #There are no missing values.
[6]: age
                                0
     sex
                                0
    smoker
                                0
    region
                                0
    viral load
                                0
    severity level
                                0
    hospitalization charges
                                0
     dtype: int64
[7]: #Checking data type and number of unique values of "age" columns
     print(df['age'].dtype,df['age'].nunique())
    int64 47
[8]: #Checking data type and number of unique values of "sex" columns
     print(df['sex'].dtype,df['sex'].nunique())
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object 2

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[9]: #Checking data type and number of unique values of "smoker" columns
      print(df['smoker'].dtype,df['smoker'].nunique())
     object 2
[10]: #Checking data type and number of unique values of "region" columns
      print(df['region'].dtype,df['region'].nunique())
     object 4
[11]: #Checking data type and number of unique values of "viral load" columns
      print(df['viral load'].dtype,df['viral load'].nunique())
     float64 462
[12]: #Checking data type and number of unique values of "severity level" columns
      print(df['severity level'].dtype,df['severity level'].nunique())
      #This is actually a categorical data, but the data type is integer. Therefore
      → changing it to object data type.
      df['severity level']=df['severity level'].astype('object')
      #Checking for updated data type
      print(df['severity level'].dtype)
     int64 6
     object
[13]: #Checking data type and number of unique values of "hospitalization charges"
       \hookrightarrow columns
      print(df['hospitalization charges'].dtype,df['hospitalization charges'].
       →nunique())
     int64 1320
[14]: #Checking the statistical summary of numerical columns
      df.describe(include='number')
Γ14]:
                           viral load hospitalization charges
                     age
      count 1338.000000 1338.000000
                                                   1338.000000
     mean
               39.207025
                            10.221233
                                                  33176.058296
      std
               14.049960
                             2.032796
                                                   30275.029296
     min
               18.000000
                             5.320000
                                                   2805.000000
      25%
               27.000000
                            8.762500
                                                  11851.000000
      50%
               39.000000
                            10.130000
                                                  23455.000000
      75%
               51.000000
                            11.567500
                                                  41599.500000
               64.000000
                            17.710000
                                                 159426.000000
      max
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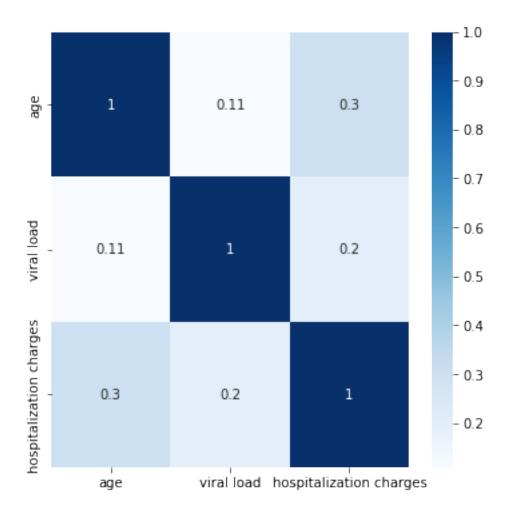
From the statisitical summary of numerical columns, we observe that: - The mean and median age of the people in the given dataset is almost the same. The youngest person is 18 years old, and the eldest person is 64 years old. - The mean and median viral load of the people in the given dataset is almost the same. The minimum viral load in a person is 5.32 and the maximum viral load in a person is 17.71. - The mean hospitalization charges is a lot more than the median hospitalization charges. May be the hospitalization charges column is right skewed. The least hospitalization charges that any person has spent is 2805 and maximum is 159426.

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[15]: #Checking the statistical summary of object columns df.describe(include='object')
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[15]:
                                           severity level
                sex smoker
                                  region
      count
                1338
                       1338
                                    1338
                                                      1338
                                       4
      unique
                   2
                           2
                                                         6
                                                         0
      top
               male
                              southeast
                         no
      freq
                676
                       1064
                                     364
                                                       574
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From the statisitical summary of categorical columns, we observe that : - Sex column has 2 unique values, and the most occuring value is "male" which occured 676 times. - Smoker column has 2 unique values, and the most occuring value is "no" which occured 1064 times. - Region column has 4 unique values, and the most occuring value is "southeast" which occured 364 times. - Severity Level column has 6 unique values, and the most occuring value is "0" which occured 574 times.

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[16]: #Checking the correlation between the different columns
plt.figure(figsize=(6,6))
sns.heatmap(df.corr(),annot=True,cmap='Blues')
plt.show()
#We observe that the highest correlation is between age and hospitalization
→ charge, but a correlation of 0.3 is still weak.
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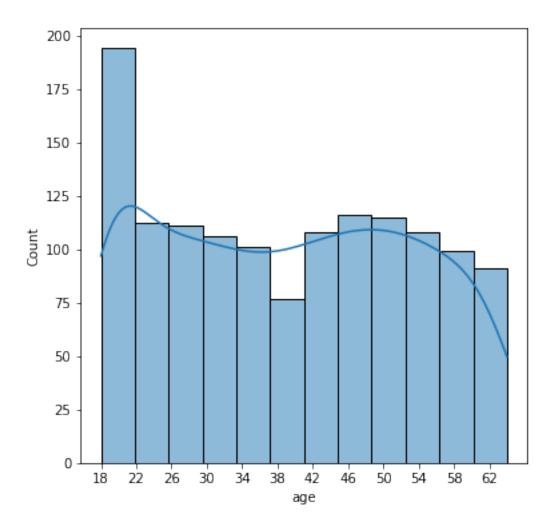


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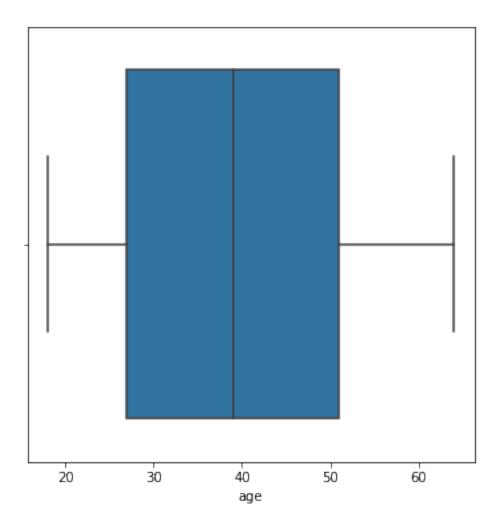
0.2 Univariate Analysis

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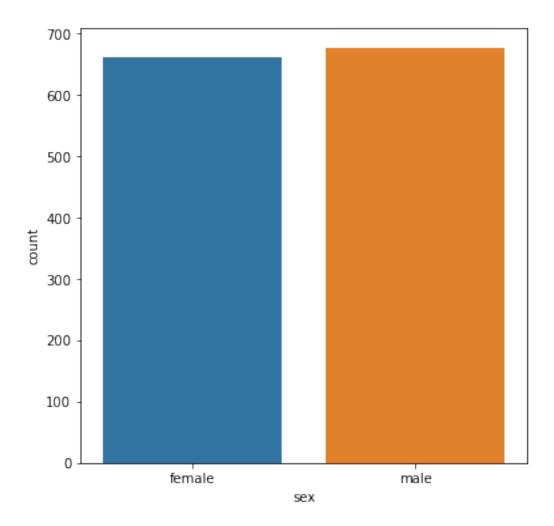
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[17]: plt.figure(figsize=(6,6))
    sns.histplot(data=df,x='age',kde=True)
    plt.xticks(np.arange(18,65,4))
    plt.show()
    #The peak of the histogram is for the age range 18-22.
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[18]: plt.figure(figsize=(6,6))
    sns.boxplot(data=df,x='age')
    plt.show()
    #There are no outliers in age column.
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[19]: plt.figure(figsize=(6,6))
    sns.countplot(data=df,x='sex')
    plt.show()
    #The number of male and female are almost same.
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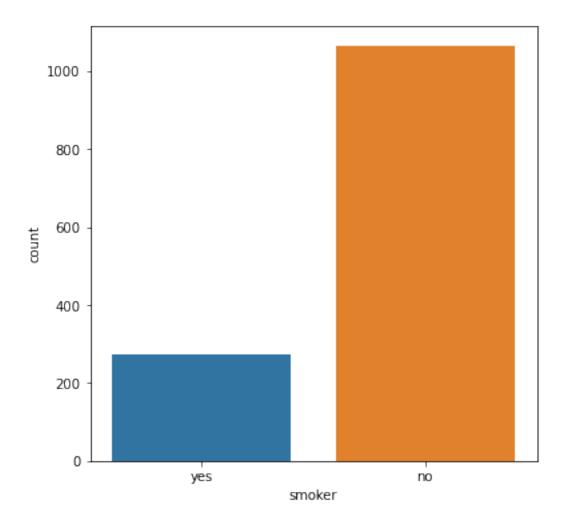
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[20]: df['sex'].value_counts(normalize=True)

#The number of male and female are almost same.
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[20]: male 0.505232 female 0.494768 Name: sex, dtype: float64

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[21]: plt.figure(figsize=(6,6))
    sns.countplot(data=df,x='smoker')
    plt.show()
    #The number of non-smokers are quite a lot in comparison to smokers.
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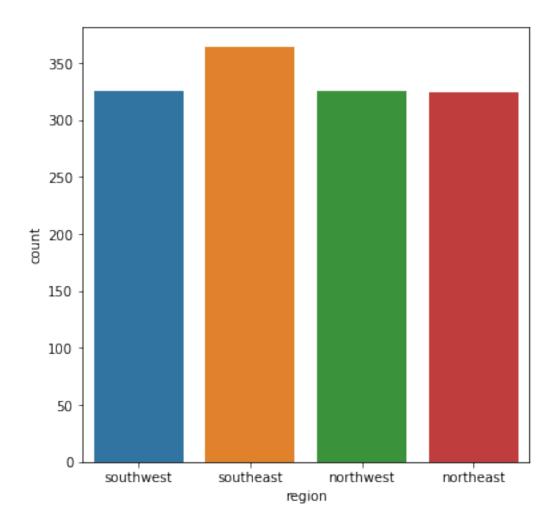


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[22]: df['smoker'].value_counts(normalize=True)
#The ratio of non-smokers to smokers is 4:1.
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[22]: no 0.795217 yes 0.204783

Name: smoker, dtype: float64

[23]: plt.figure(figsize=(6,6))
 sns.countplot(data=df,x='region')
 plt.show()
 #The number of people in the 4 regions are almost the same.

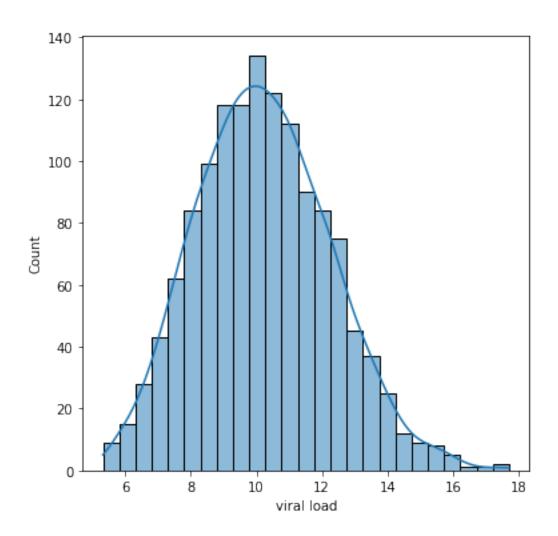


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[24]: df['region'].value_counts(normalize=True)
      #The number of people in the 4 regions are almost the same.
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[24]: southeast
                   0.272048
      southwest
                   0.242900
      northwest
                   0.242900
     northeast
                   0.242152
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Name: region, dtype: float64

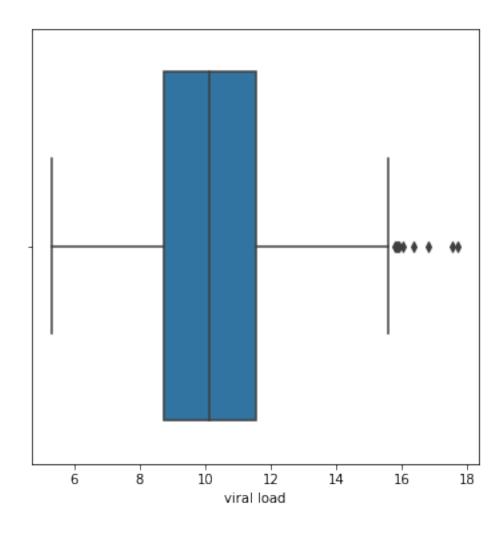
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[25]: plt.figure(figsize=(6,6))
      sns.histplot(data=df,x='viral load',kde=True)
      plt.show()
      #Viral Load data look like a bell shaped curve but is a slightly right skewed.
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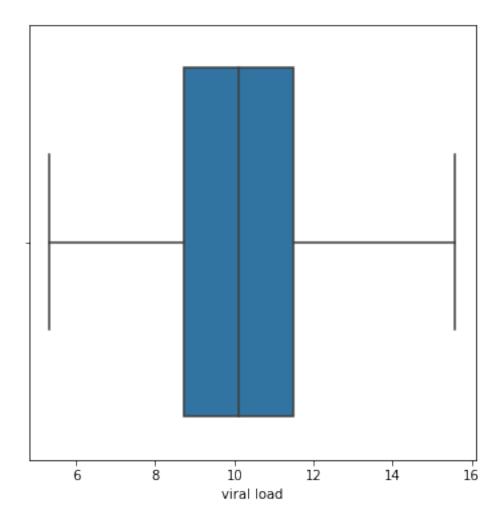


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[26]: plt.figure(figsize=(6,6))
    sns.boxplot(data=df,x='viral load')
    plt.show()
    #There are outliers in Viral Load column. Therefore we need to remove them.

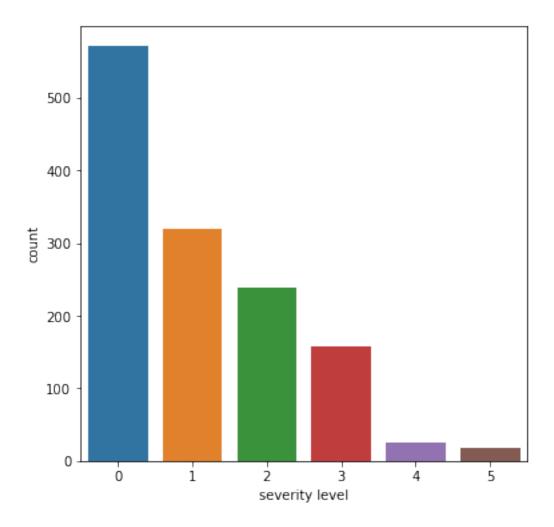
q75,q25=np.percentile(df['viral load'],75),np.percentile(df['viral load'],25)
    df=df[df['viral load']<(q75 + (q75-q25)*1.5)]

plt.figure(figsize=(6,6))
    sns.boxplot(data=df,x='viral load')
    plt.show()
#All the outliers have been removed.</pre>
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[27]: plt.figure(figsize=(6,6))
sns.countplot(data=df,x='severity level')
plt.show()
#We can observe that lesser the severity, more the number of people are there
→in the given dataset.
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[28]: df['severity level'].value_counts(normalize=True)

#We can observe that lesser the severity, more the number of people are there

→ in the given dataset..

[28]: 0 0.429646 1 0.240783

2 0.179082

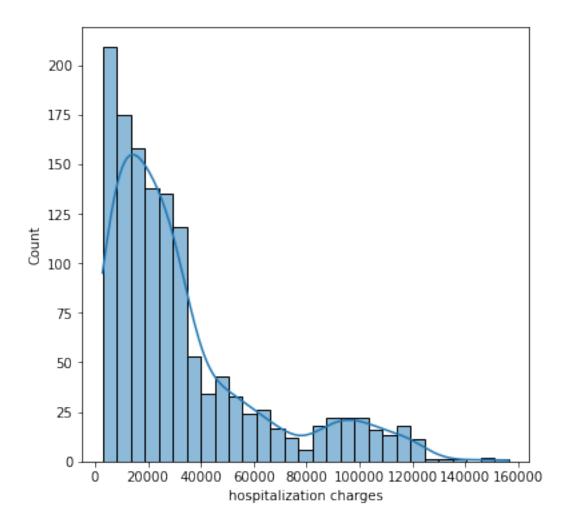
3 0.118134

4 0.018811

5 0.013544

Name: severity level, dtype: float64

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[29]: plt.figure(figsize=(6,6))
    sns.histplot(data=df,x='hospitalization charges',kde=True)
    plt.show()
    #Hospitalization charges data is right skewed.
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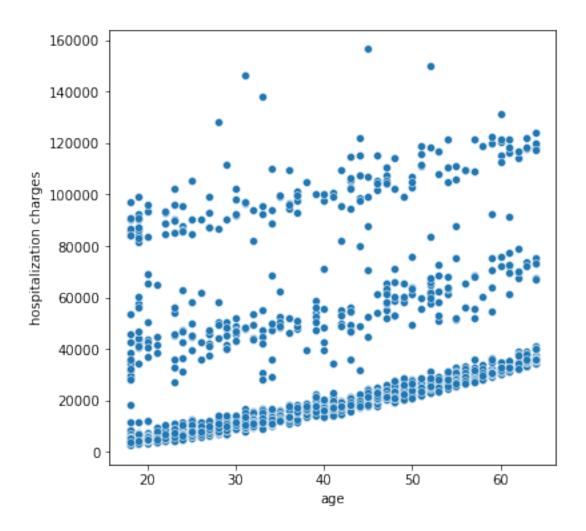
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0.3 Bivariate Analysis

[30]: plt.figure(figsize=(6,6)) sns.scatterplot(data=df,x='age',y='hospitalization charges')

plt.show()

#We do not see a distinct relationship between age and hospitalization charges. #For a single value of age, there are multiple values of hospitalization \rightarrow charges.



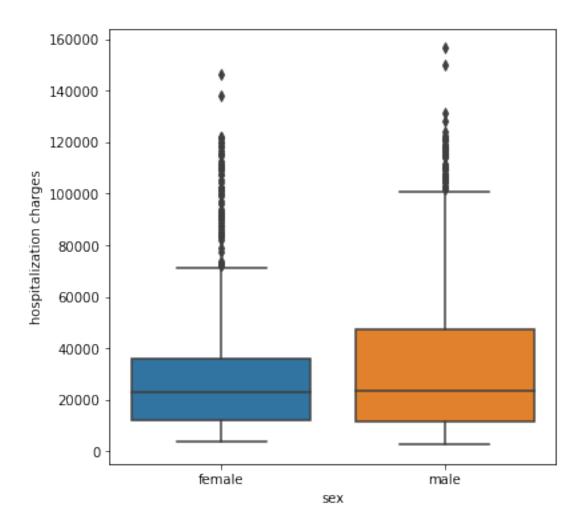
[31]: plt.figure(figsize=(6,6))

sns.boxplot(data=df,x='sex',y='hospitalization charges')

plt.show()

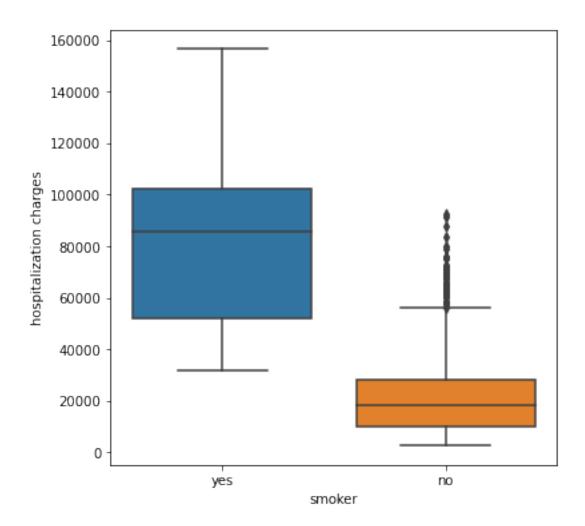
#We observe that there the median hospitalization charges are almost same for $\ \rightarrow both$ male and female.

#There are a few outliers both for male and female.



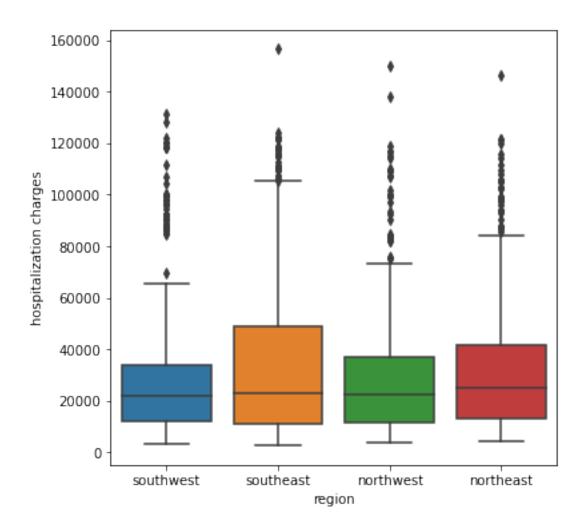
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[32]: plt.figure(figsize=(6,6))
sns.boxplot(data=df,x='smoker',y='hospitalization charges')
plt.show()
#We observe that there the median hospitalization charges is a lot greater for

→ smokers in comparison to non smokers.
#However there are a few outliers for non-smokers.
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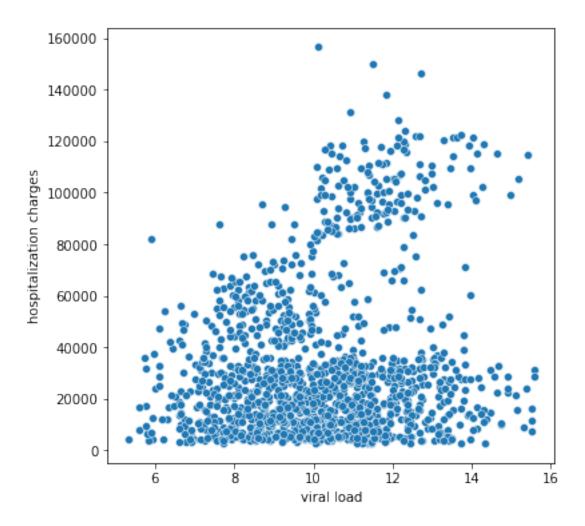


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[33]: plt.figure(figsize=(6,6))
sns.boxplot(data=df,x='region',y='hospitalization charges')
plt.show()
#We observe that there the median hospitalization charges are almost same for

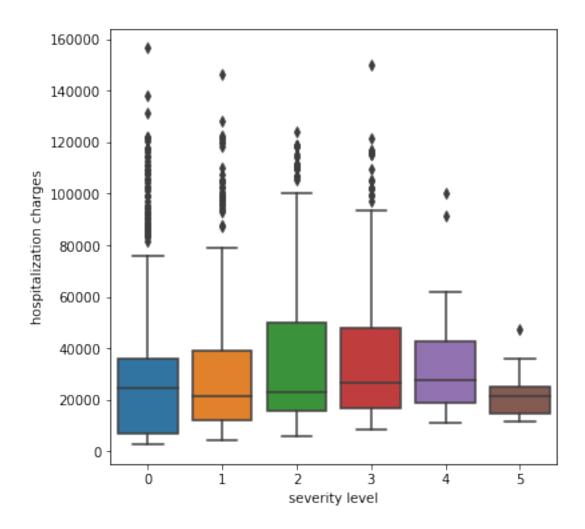
→ the different regions.
#There are a few outliers for all the regions.
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[34]: plt.figure(figsize=(6,6))
sns.scatterplot(data=df,x='viral load',y='hospitalization charges')
plt.show()
#We do not see a distinct relationship between viral load and hospitalization
→ charges.
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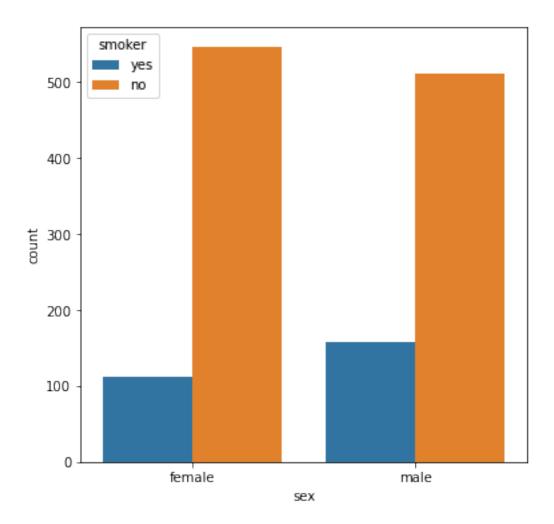


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[35]: plt.figure(figsize=(6,6))
sns.boxplot(data=df,x='severity level',y='hospitalization charges')
plt.show()
#We observe that the median hospitalization charges are almost same for
→severity levels.
```



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[36]: plt.figure(figsize=(6,6))
sns.countplot(data=df,x='sex',hue='smoker')
plt.show()
#We observe that irrespective of the gender, there are more non-smokers in

→comparison to smokers.
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[37]: pd.crosstab(df['sex'],df['smoker'],normalize='index')

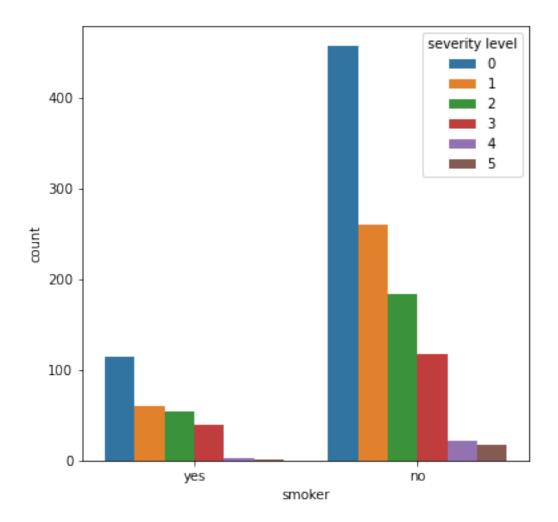
#We observe that irrespective of the gender, there are more non-smokers in

→comparison to smokers.
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[37]: smoker no yes sex female 0.828528 0.171472 male 0.764179 0.235821
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[38]: plt.figure(figsize=(6,6))
sns.countplot(data=df,x='smoker',hue='severity level')
plt.show()

#We observe that irrepective of smoker status, the order of the severity level \rightarrow is the same for both smokers and non smokers.



[39]: pd.crosstab(df['smoker'],df['severity level'],normalize='index')

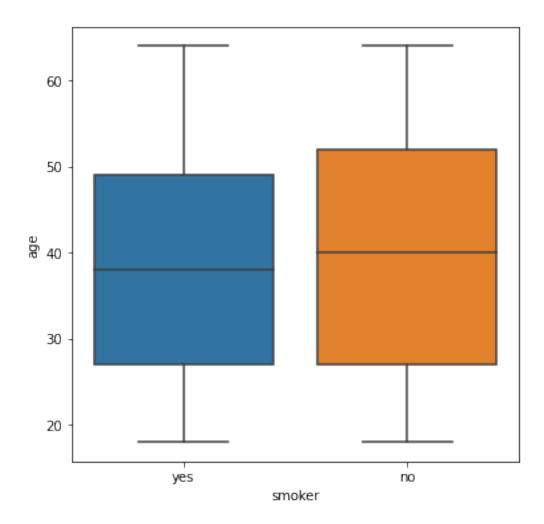
#We observe that irrepective of smoker status, the order of the severity level

→ is the same for both smokers and non smokers.

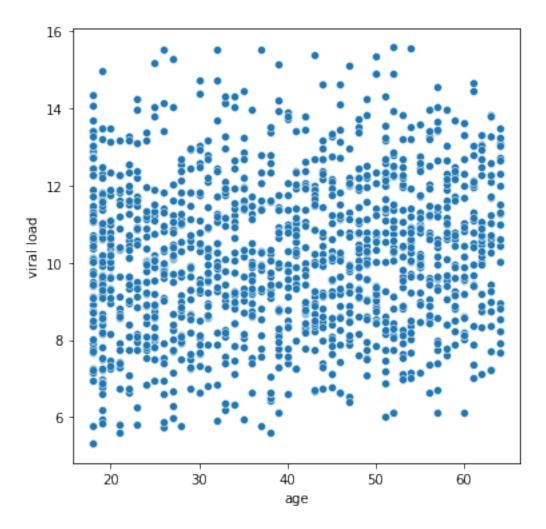
[39]:	severity level	0	1	2	3	4	5
	smoker						
	no	0.431947	0.245747	0.173913	0.111531	0.020794	0.016068
	yes	0.420664	0.221402	0.199262	0.143911	0.011070	0.003690

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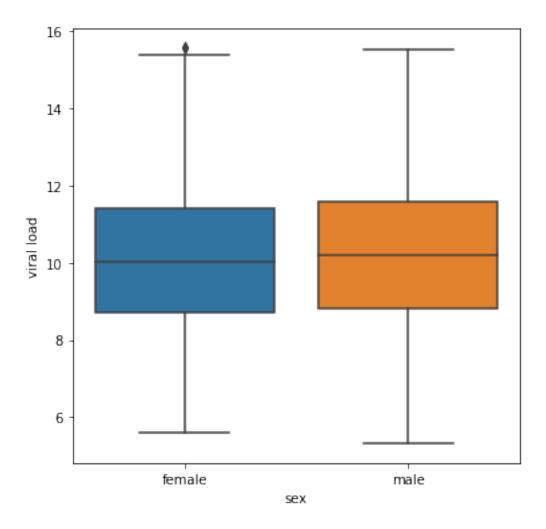
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[40]: plt.figure(figsize=(6,6))
sns.boxplot(data=df,x='smoker',y='age')
plt.show()
#We observe that non-smokers have a greater median age than smokers.
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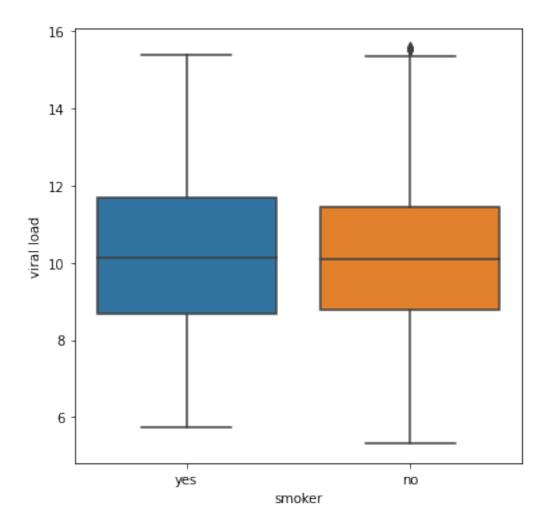
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[41]: plt.figure(figsize=(6,6))
sns.scatterplot(data=df,x='age',y='viral load')
plt.show()
# We do not see any distinct relationship between age and viral load.
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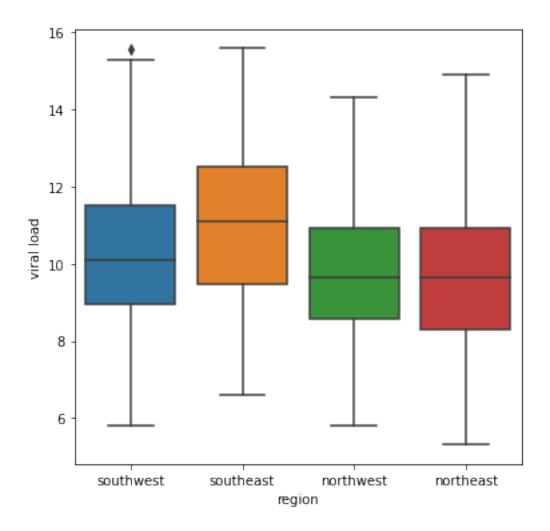
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[42]: plt.figure(figsize=(6,6))
sns.boxplot(data=df,x='sex',y='viral load')
plt.show()
#We observe that the viral load for male and female is almost same.
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[43]: plt.figure(figsize=(6,6))
sns.boxplot(data=df,x='smoker',y='viral load')
plt.show()
#We observe that the viral load for smokers and non-smokers is almost same.
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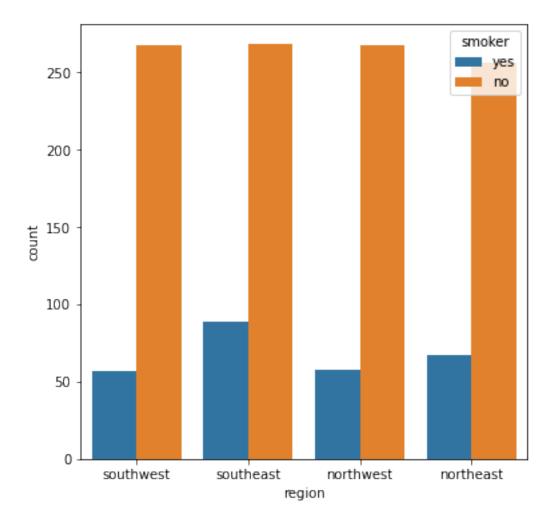


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[44]: plt.figure(figsize=(6,6))
sns.boxplot(data=df,x='region',y='viral load')
plt.show()
#We observe the median viral load is almost same for all the regions except
→southeast which has higher median viral load.
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[45]: plt.figure(figsize=(6,6))
sns.countplot(data=df,x='region',hue='smoker')
plt.show()
#We observe that irrespective of the region, there are more non-smokers in

→comparison to smokers.
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[46]: pd.crosstab(df['region'],df['smoker'],normalize='index')

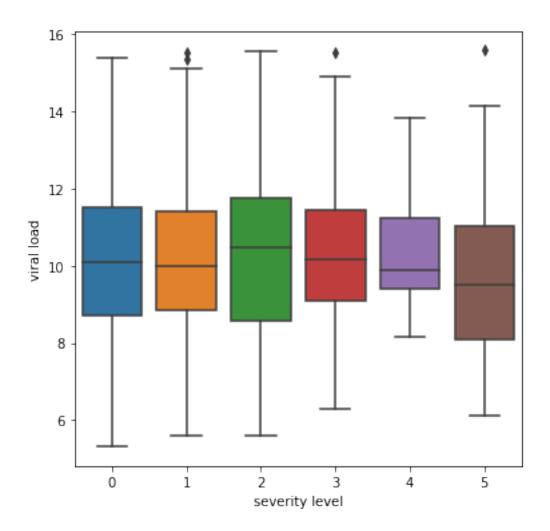
#We observe that irrespective of the region, there are more non-smokers in

→comparison to smokers.
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[46]: smoker no yes region northeast 0.792570 0.207430 northwest 0.821538 0.178462 southeast 0.750700 0.249300 southwest 0.824074 0.175926
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[47]: plt.figure(figsize=(6,6)) sns.boxplot(data=df,x='severity level',y='viral load')

plt.show()



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0.4 Hypothesis Testing

0.4.1 1) Prove (or disprove) that the hospitalization charges of people who do smoking are greater than those who don't?

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[48]: #Lets check the different categories of smoker column
    df['smoker'].unique().tolist()

[48]: ['yes', 'no']

[49]: #Lets segregate the two datasets
    smoker_yes = df.loc[df['smoker']=='yes', 'hospitalization charges']
    smoker_no = df.loc[df['smoker']=='no', 'hospitalization charges']

[50]: #Lets check the length of both datasets.
    print(len(smoker_yes),len(smoker_no))
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Lets define our null and alternative hypothesis

- Null Hypothesis: The average hospitalization charges of smokers is less than or equal to the average hospitalization charges of non-smokers, which can be represented as: Mean Hospitalization charges(Smokers) <= Mean Hospitalization charges(Smokers).
- Alternative Hypothesis: The average hospitalization charges of smokers is greater than the average hospitalization charges of non-smokers, which can be represented as: Mean Hospitalization charges(Smokers) > Mean Hospitalization charges(Smokers).

0.4.2 Assumptions:

- Population mean and sigma are finite.
- Observations are random and finite.

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[51]: alpha = 0.05
t_value,p_value=stats.ttest_ind(smoker_yes,smoker_no,alternative='greater')
print('p-value for two tailed test is {}'.format(p_value))
print()

if p_value<=alpha:
    print('Conclusion - Since p-value({}) <= alpha({})'.format(p_value,alpha))
    print('We reject the null hypothesis H0.')
    print('We can conclude mean hospitalization charges of smokers is greater
→than non-smokers')
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else:

print('Conclusion - Since p-value({}) > alpha({})'.format(p_value,alpha))

print('We cannot reject the null hypothesis H0.')

print('We cannot conclude mean hospitalization charges of smokers is

→greater than non-smokers')
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p-value for two tailed test is 1.2623407061825943e-279

Conclusion - Since p-value(1.2623407061825943e-279) \leq alpha(0.05) We reject the null hypothesis H0.

We can conclude mean hospitalization charges of smokers is greater than nonsmokers

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0.4.3 2) Prove (or disprove) with statistical evidence that the viral load of females is different from that of males.

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[52]: #Lets check the different categories of sex df['sex'].unique().tolist()
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[52]: ['female', 'male']

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[53]: #Lets segregate the two datasets
male_viral_load = df.loc[df['sex']=='male','viral load']
female_viral_load = df.loc[df['sex']=='female','viral load']
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[54]: #Lets check the length of both datasets.
print(len(male_viral_load),len(female_viral_load))
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Lets define our null and alternative hypothesis

- Null Hypothesis: The average viral load of females is same as average viral load of males, which can be represented as: Mean Viral Load(Males) = Mean Viral Load(Females).
- Alternative Hypothesis: The average viral load of females is different from average viral load of males, which can be represented as: Mean Viral Load(Males)!= Mean Viral Load(Females).

0.4.4 Assumptions:

- Population mean and sigma are finite.
- Observations are random and finite.

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[55]: alpha = 0.05
      t_value,p_value=stats.ttest_ind(male_viral_load,female_viral_load)
      print('p-value for two tailed test is {}'.format(p_value))
      print()
      if p_value<=alpha:</pre>
          print('Conclusion - Since p-value({}) <= alpha({})'.format(p_value,alpha))</pre>
          print('We reject the null hypothesis HO.')
          print('We can conclude mean female viral load is not equal to mean male_{\sqcup}
       ⇔viral load')
      else:
          print('Conclusion - Since p-value({})) > alpha({})'.format(p_value,alpha))
          print('We cannot reject the null hypothesis HO.')
          print('We cannot conclude mean female viral load is not equal to mean male \Box
       →viral load')
     p-value for two tailed test is 0.1457083485811941
     Conclusion - Since p-value(0.1457083485811941) > alpha(0.05)
     We cannot reject the null hypothesis HO.
     We cannot conclude mean female viral load is not equal to mean male viral load
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0.4.5 3) Is the proportion of smoking significantly different across different regions?

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[56]: #Lets check the different categories of smoker column
    df['smoker'].unique().tolist()

[56]: ['yes', 'no']

[57]: #Lets check the different categories of region column
    df['region'].unique().tolist()

[57]: ['southwest', 'southeast', 'northwest', 'northeast']
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We can perform Chi-Square test to determine whether proportion of smoking is significantly different across different regions.

- Null Hypothesis : Region has no effect on Smoker : Region and Smoker are independent of each other.
- Alternative Hypothesis : Region has effect on Smoker : Region and Smoker are dependent on each other.

0.4.6 Assumptions:

• Since it is a non-parametric test, therefore there is no assumption about the population.

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alpha = 0.05

stat, p_value, dof, expected = stats.chi2_contingency(pd.

crosstab(df['smoker'],df['region']))

print('p-value for two tailed test is {}'.format(p_value))

print()

if p_value<=alpha:

print('Conclusion - Since p-value({}) <= alpha({})'.format(p_value,alpha))

print('We reject the null hypothesis H0.')

print('So we can conclude that Region and Smoker are dependent on each

other.')

else:

print('Conclusion - Since p-value({}) > alpha({})'.format(p_value,alpha))

print('We cannot reject the null hypothesis H0.')

print('So we cannot conclude that Region and Smoker are dependent on each

other.')
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p-value for two tailed test is 0.05978076201764091

Conclusion - Since p-value(0.05978076201764091) > alpha(0.05)
We cannot reject the null hypothesis H0.
So we cannot conclude that Region and Smoker are dependent on each other.

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0.4.7 4) Is the mean viral load of women with 0 Severity level, 1 Severity level, and 2 Severity level the same? Explain your answer with statistical evidence.

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[59]: #Lets segregate the three datasets

female_severity_level_0 = df.loc[(df['sex']=='female') & (df['severity_\]

$\times \text{level'}]==0$), 'viral load']

female_severity_level_1 = df.loc[(df['sex']=='female') & (df['severity_\]

$\times \text{level'}]==1$), 'viral load']

female_severity_level_2 = df.loc[(df['sex']=='female') & (df['severity_\]

$\times \text{level'}]==2$), 'viral load']
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[60]: #Lets check the length of three datasets.
print(len(female_severity_level_0),len(female_severity_level_1),len(female_severity_level_2))
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288 158 117

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We can perform a One-Way ANOVA test to verify whether the mean viral load of women with 0 Severity level, 1 Severity level, and 2 Severity level the same or different, since the no. of categories are more than 2.

- Null Hypothesis: The mean viral load of females with different severity level is same, which can be represented as: There is no difference between the mean number viral load for females for different severity level categories.
- Alternative Hypothesis: The mean viral load of females with different severity level is different, which can be represented as: There is difference between the mean number viral load for females for different severity level categories.

0.4.8 Assumptions:

- Variance of each group is almost same.
- Observations are random and finite.

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[61]: #Checking the variances of the three groups.

print(np.std(female_severity_level_0)**2,np.std(female_severity_level_1)**2,np.

$\infty$ std(female_severity_level_2)**2)

#They are nearly same. Proceeding with hypothesis testing.
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3.8440222499517747 3.6977404262137497 4.353871415004748

p-value for two tailed test is 0.8894553469550055

Conclusion - Since p-value(0.8894553469550055) > alpha(0.05) We cannot reject the null hypothesis H0. So we cannot conclude that there is some difference in the mean viral load for

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0.5 Business Insights

different groups.

- Patients of all ages from 18 to 64 are present in the dataset.
- Equal percentage of male and female are patients.
- Number of non-smoker is quite a lot in comparison to smokers.
- Patients were admitted from all the 4 regions of the country in almost equal numbers.
- Most patients had viral load in the range of [9-11]
- Most people had severity level 0 followed by severity level 1.
- Hospitalization charges data is right skewed, most people had hospitalization charges less than 40000.
- Gender had no relation with hospitalization charges.
- The mean and median hospitalization charges is far greater for smokers in comparison to non-smokers.
- Region has no impact on hospitalization charges.
- The hospitalization charges for different severity levels is almost same.
- Irrespective of the gender, there are more non-smokers in comparison to smokers.
- Irrespective of smoker status, the order of the severity level is the same for both smokers and non smokers.
- Non-smokers have a greater median age than smokers.
- Viral load for male and female is almost same.
- Viral load for smokers and non-smokers is almost same.
- The median viral load is almost same for all the regions except southeast which has higher median viral load.
- Irrespective of the region, there are more non-smokers in comparison to smokers.
- Irrespective of the severity level, the median viral load is almost same.

0.6 Recommendations

- Smoking is the most important factor on which hospitalization charges is dependent. People who smoke pay more hospitalization charges in comparison to non-smokers. Therfore the hospital should try to look for more patients who are smokers, and try to advertise its medical services for smokers.
- The hospital can appoint employees who provide knowledge about the harmful effects of smoking so that more people can get admitted to cure themselves in the hospital.
- The hospital can give free testing services for smokers to make them realize that they have very bad health, so that they decide to get admitted.
- Since region has no effect on hospitalization charges, therefore the hospital try to look for smokers in every part of the country. Since the proprotion of smokers from every region is almost the same, therefore the hospital can actively look for smokers in any city of the country.
- The hospital should try to look for smokers irrespective of the gender, since gender is not a factor in determining the hospitalization charges.
- Since irrepective of smoker status, the order of the severity level is the same for both smokers and non smokers and the hospitalization charges is also almost same for different severity levels, therefore the hospital can look for patients who have any severity level.
- The median viral load is almost the same irrespective of the gender, smoker status, region and severity level, therefore the hospital can admit patients who have any value of viral load since viral load is not a distinct factor in determining hospitalization charges.

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