

Data of Academic Performance evolution for Engineering Students

This data article presents data on the results in national assessments for secondary and university education in engineering students. The data contains academic, social, economic information for 12,411 students. The data were obtained by orderly crossing the databases of the Colombian Institute for the



https://data.mendeley.com/datasets/83tcx8psxv/1

https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S2352340920304315?via=ihub

Description:

- Data represents the national assessments results for secondary and university education for students taking an engineering course
- Data considers academic, social and economic information of students
- Database was obtained orderly crossing databases of the Colombian Institute for Evaluation of Engineering
- Gender distribution 5043 (40.63%) for women and 7368 (59.37%) for men

How the database was acquired:

 Collection, adaptation and adjustment of information was carried out by the Colombian Institute for the Evaluation of Education.

Value of the data:

 The features are fit to make predictions and classification models of academic, social and economic features.

- The data was gathered for both High School and University students.
- The database uses ID's to guarantee the anonymity of students.

Data Description:

- Database contains 12411 observations and 44 variables.
- The database consists of personal information (categorical) and assessments (numerical).

Features present in the database:

▼ Code

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import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
import sklearn.linear_model, sklearn.datasets
from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler, MinMaxScale
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from sklearn.preprocessing import PolynomialFeatures
from sklearn.metrics import mean_squared_error, r2_score, mea
from sklearn.preprocessing import LabelEncoder, OneHotEncoder
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
from sklearn.impute import SimpleImputer

testData = pd.read_csv('Database/DatabaseTest.csv')

pd.set_option('display.max_columns', None)
print(testData)
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Features:

The academic assessment is recorded at two moments of the student life:

1. Scores of the national standardised test at the final year of high school:

- Saber 11 (S11): Score of the national test at the final year of high school, evaluating five generic academic competences:
 - Maths (MAT_S11): assess the skills of facing problems with the use of math tools
 - Critical Reading (CR_11): assesses the skills of understanding, interpreting and evaluating texts
 - Citizen Competences (CC_S11): assess student's skills that allow him to understand the social world from the point of view of social sciences and the role of a citizen
 - Biology (BIO_S11): assesses how a student explains the phenomena of nature occurence with the employment of observations, patterns and scientific concepts
 - English (ENG_S11): asses the competence of communication in English
- 2. Second moment of academic assessment is the final year of the Professional Career on Engineering (University) also recorded on the national standardised test for higher education using SABER PRO. Similarly to the Saber 11 tests, it uses five academic measurements:
- Critical Reading (CR_SPRO): assess the ability to understand text and the critical approach to it
- Quantitative Reasoning (QR_PRO): assess the ability to understand and manipulate quantitative data in forms of diagrams, graphs or tables
- Citizen competence (CC_PRO): assess the concept of citizenship and the existence within the Colombian constitution
- Written communication (WC_PRO): assess the ability to transform ideas into writing based on a topic
- English (ENG_PRO): asses the competence of communicating using English
- Sisben: the economic aid that the Columbian government gives to low income families to offer them an improved quality of life

Feature stats:

Database preprocessing:

• I have added two new columns of Average Score and Pass_Fail

The new Database stats:

▼ Code

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import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
import sklearn.linear_model
from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler, MinMaxScale
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from sklearn.preprocessing import PolynomialFeatures
from sklearn.metrics import confusion_matrix, accuracy_score,
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
from sklearn.impute import SimpleImputer

dataBase = pd.read_csv('Database/DatabaseTest.csv')

pd.set_option('display.max_columns', None)
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# Calculate the average of SABER PRO'S 'QR_PRO', 'CR_PRO', '(
dataBase["Average_Score_SABER_PRO"] = dataBase[['QR_PRO', 'Cl
dataBase["Pass Fail SABER PRO"] = np.where(dataBase['Average
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testData['Average_Score'] = testData[['QR_PR0', 'CR_PR0', 'CC_PI
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- The column Average Score was made using the already existing features of :
 - QR_PRO / Quantitative Reasoning : assessment of the ability to understand and manipulate quantitative data.
 - CR_PRO / Critical Reading : assessment of the ability to understand a text and be able to critically approach it.
 - CC_PRO / Citizen Competence : refers to the ability, knowledge and attitude a student possess to effectively participate in society as a responsible and engaged citizen.
 - ENG_PRO / English : assessment of the competence to communicate effectively using English
 - WC_PRO / Written Communication : assessment of student's ability to write ideas of a related topic.

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testData['Pass_Fail'] = np.where(testData['Average_Score'] >= 60
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- The column of Pass_Fail is dependent to the Average Score of SABER PRO's mean.
 - If the mean is Below 60 it's a fail, if the mean is equal or over 60 its a pass.

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dataBase["Average_Score_Saber11"] = dataBase[['MAT_S11','CR_S11
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- The column of Average Score of Sober 11 refers to the mean value of the features:
 - MAT_S11 / Mathematics : assessment of how students solve problems with the use of maths
 - CR_S11 / Critical Reading : assessment of how students understand, interpret and evaluate texts.
 - CC_S11 / Citizen Competences: assessment of student's knowledge and skills that allow him to understand the social world with the use of social sciences to fulfil the role of a citizen.
 - BIO_S11 / Biology: assessment of the student's ability to explain natural phenomenas based on observations, patterns and scientifical concepts.
 - ENG_S11 / English : assessment of the competence to communicate in English

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dataBase["Pass_Fail_Saber11"] = np.where(dataBase['Average_Score
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 This column uses the mean values of the Average_Score_Saber11 and using the threshold of 60 determines if the student has passed or failed.

The New Column Stats:

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