Monte Carlo Simulation of Divergence detection in Data Distributions using Kullback-Leibler (KL) measure

Monte Carlo simulation is a statistical technique used to model and analyze complex systems or processes by generating random samples or scenarios to estimate outcomes and assess uncertainty.

In a Monte Carlo simulation, a mathematical model is created to represent the system under study. Random input values, often following known probability distributions, are then generated for the model's variables. The model is run with these random inputs, and the process is repeated numerous times to create a distribution of possible outcomes. This distribution allows analysts to make probabilistic predictions and assess the likelihood of different scenarios or events occurring.

This simulation address the problem of drifts in the data distributions and how to detect the divergence within the same data fields (FICO Score) processed from two different sample populations. A significant drift in data distributions between samples is a surprise and such divergence has been a subject matter of several studies in the field of statistics.

Kullback-Leibler (KL) divergence in mathematical statistics is a distance and relative entropy measure. It quantifies the relative difference between two probability distributions with a relative entropy of zero suggests two distributions are identical. We are using Population Stability Index (PSI), a variant of KL in this project. PSI is described in detail below.

Population Stability Index as a variant of Kullback-Leibler divergence

Given two discrete probability distributions P (actual), and Q (expected), KL divergence is defined as:

$$D_{KL}(P(x)|Q(x)) = \sum_{i=1}^{B} P(x_i) . \ln \frac{P(x_i)}{Q(x_i)}$$

An interpretation of KL divergence is that it measures the expected excess surprise in using the actual distribution versus the expected distribution as a divergence of the actual from the expected. B is the number of buckets(discrete) of the distribution.

 DK_L measures divergence however, researchers note that it's not a true distance measure as its definition is not symmetric. That is, $D_{KL}(Q(x)|P(x) \neq D_{KL}(P(x)|Q(x))$

A symmetric measure is obtained by defining:

$$\begin{split} D(P,Q) &= D_{KL}(Q|P) = D_{KL}(P|Q) \\ &= \sum_{i} P(x_i) \ln \frac{P(x_i)}{Q(x_i)} + \sum_{i} Q(x_i) \ln \frac{Q(x_i)}{P(x_i)} \end{split}$$

$$= \sum P(x_i) \ln \frac{P(x_i)}{Q(x_i)} - \sum Q(x_i) \ln \frac{P(x_i)}{Q(x_i)}$$
$$= \sum (P(x_i) - Q(x_i)) \ln \frac{P(x_i)}{Q(x_i)}$$

This variant of K-L divergence is known as Population Stability Index (PSI) and is widely used in machine learning and model validations a divergence measure. The following steps will show how to compute PSI using the \$ sales data we discussed in the problem statement.

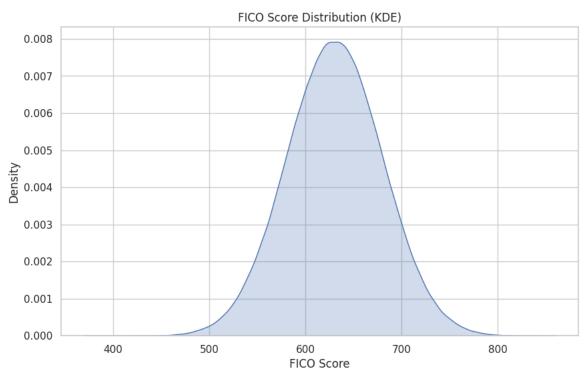
From the derivation above,

$$PSI = \sum_{i=1}^{B} [P(x_i) - Q(x_i)] \times ln \frac{P(x_i)}{Q(x_i)}$$

▼ Step 1: Baseline Distribution Data Preperation -1 Million records normal distribution

```
1 import numpy as np
2 import pandas as pd
3 import seaborn as sns
4 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
5
6 # Set the random seed for reproducibility
7 np.random.seed(0)
8
9 # Define the parameters
10 sample_size = 1000000
11 mean_score = 630
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12 std_deviation = 50
14 # Generate FICO scores using a normal distribution
15 fico_scores = np.random.normal(mean_score, std_deviation, sample_size)
16
17 # Round the FICO scores to integers between 1 and 850
18 fico_scores = np.round(fico_scores)
19 fico_scores = np.clip(fico_scores, 1, 850) # Clip values to the desired range
21 # Create a DataFrame
22 data = pd.DataFrame({'PersonID': range(1, sample_size + 1),
                        'FICO_Score': fico_scores})
24
25 # Define the bins and labels for 6 FICO Score segments
26 bins = [0, 600, 640, 680, 720, 760, 850]
27 labels = ['<600', '600-640', '641-680', '681-720', '721-760', '>760']
29 # Create a new column 'new_count' to store the grouping information
30 data['base_count'] = pd.cut(data['FICO_Score'], bins=bins, labels=labels, right=False)
31
32
33 # Create summary dataset data2
34 data2 = data['base_count'].value_counts().reset_index()
35 data2.columns = ['FICO_Range', 'base_count']
1 import warnings
2 warnings.simplefilter(action='ignore', category=FutureWarning)
3 # Create a KDE plot
4 sns.set(style="whitegrid") # Set the style for the plot
5 plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6)) # Set the figure size
7 sns.kdeplot(data['FICO_Score'], shade=True, color="b") # Create the KDE plot
9 plt.title("FICO Score Baseline Distribution (KDE)")
10 plt.xlabel("FICO Score")
11 plt.ylabel("Density")
12 plt.show()
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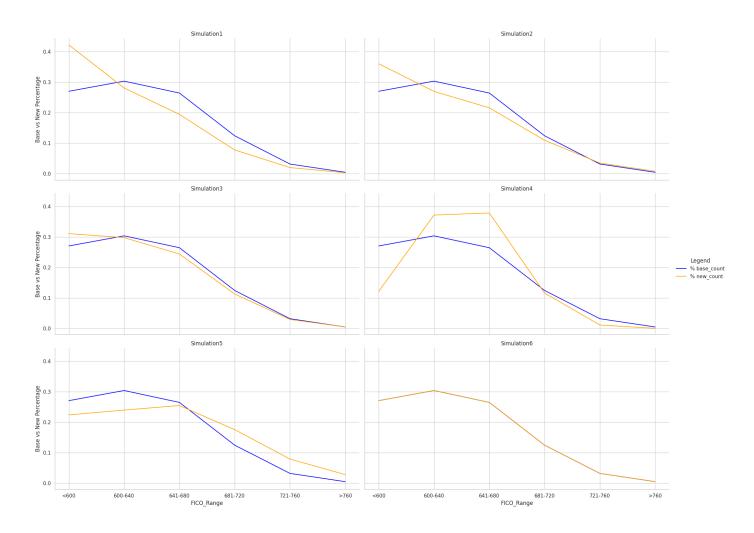
→ Step 2: Monte Carlo Simulation: Real life Scenarios to show drifts from diffrent samples

```
1 def simulate_fico_data(sample_size, mean_score, std_deviation, simulation_name):
      # Set the random seed for reproducibility
 2
3
      np.random.seed(0)
 4
 5
      # Generate FICO scores using a normal distribution
      fico_scores = np.random.normal(mean_score, std_deviation, sample_size)
7
8
      # Round the FICO scores to integers between 1 and 850
9
      fico_scores = np.round(fico_scores)
      fico_scores = np.clip(fico_scores, 1, 850) # Clip values to the desired range
10
11
12
      # Create a DataFrame
      data_new = pd.DataFrame({'PersonID': range(1, sample_size + 1),
13
                               'FICO_Score': fico_scores})
14
15
      # Define the bins and labels for 6 FICO_Score segments
16
      bins = [0, 600, 640, 680, 720, 760, 850]
17
18
      labels = ['<600', '600-640', '641-680', '681-720', '721-760', '>760']
19
      # Create a new column 'new_count' to store the grouping information
20
21
      data_new['new_count'] = pd.cut(data_new['FICO_Score'], bins=bins, labels=labels, right=False)
22
23
      # Create summary dataset data2
      data_new2 = data_new['new_count'].value_counts().reset_index()
24
      data_new2.columns = ['FICO_Range', 'new_count']
25
26
      # Merge data2 and data_new2 using the 'FICO_Range' column
27
28
      merged_data = pd.merge(data2, data_new2, on='FICO_Range', how='inner')
29
30
      # Step 1: Calculate '% base_count'
      merged_data['% base_count'] = merged_data['base_count'] / merged_data['base_count'].sum()
31
32
33
      # Step 2: Calculate '% new count'
34
      merged_data['% new_count'] = merged_data['new_count'] / merged_data['new_count'].sum()
35
      # Step 3: Calculate PSI for each row
36
      merged_data['PSI'] = (merged_data['% new_count'] - merged_data['% base_count']) * np.log(merged_data['% new_count'] / merged_data['% new_count']
37
38
39
      # Step 4: Calculate the total PSI
40
      total_psi = merged_data['PSI'].sum()
41
42
      # Add a 'simulation' column specified by the user
43
      merged_data['simulation'] = simulation_name
44
45
      return merged_data, total_psi
46
47 # Example usage with user-specified simulation name
48
49
50 # Create an empty DataFrame to store results
51 all_results = pd.DataFrame()
52
53 # Perform multiple function calls and append results
54 sample_sizes = [100000, 500000, 200000,100000,300000, 1000000]
55 mean_scores = [610, 620, 625, 640,645,630]
56 std_deviations = [55, 58, 52,35,60,50]
57
58 for i in range(len(sample_sizes)):
59
      sample_size = sample_sizes[i]
60
      mean_score = mean_scores[i]
      std_deviation = std_deviations[i]
61
      simulation_name = f'Simulation{i + 1}' # Generate simulation name
62
63
64
      result, total_psi = simulate_fico_data(sample_size, mean_score, std_deviation, simulation_name)
65
      # Append the result to the all_results DataFrame
66
67
      all_results = pd.concat([all_results, result], ignore_index=True)
68
69
70 # Select and print specific columns in all results
71 print(all_results[['simulation','FICO_Range', '% base_count','new_count', '% new_count', 'PSI']])
72
73
```

```
simulation FICO_Range % base_count new_count % new_count
                                                                        PSI
0
    Simulation1
                   600-640
                                0.303673
                                               28125
                                                         0.281250 0.001720
                                0.270458
    Simulation1
                                               42242
                      <600
                                                         0.422420
                                                                   0.067757
                   641-680
                                0.264681
                                               19475
                                                         0.194750
    Simulation1
                                                                   0.021456
3
    Simulation1
                   681-720
                                0.124479
                                                7806
                                                         0.078060
                                                                   0.021662
                   721-760
                                0.031898
                                                2029
                                                         0.020290
    Simulation1
                                                                   0.005252
                     >760
                                0.004811
                                                         0.003230
                                                                   0.000630
    Simulation1
                                                323
    Simulation2
                   600-640
                                0.303673
                                              134980
                                                         0.269968
                                                                   0.003965
                      <600
                                0.270458
                                              180322
                                                         0.360654
                                                                   0.025958
    Simulation2
                   641-680
    Simulation2
                                0.264681
                                              108155
                                                         0.216316
                                                                   0.009759
                                0.124479
                                                         0.109759
9
    Simulation2
                   681-720
                                               54878
                                                                   0.001852
10
    Simulation2
                   721-760
                                0.031898
                                               17627
                                                         0.035255
                                                                   0.000336
                      >760
                                0.004811
                                                         0.008048
11
    Simulation2
                                                4024
                                                                   0.001666
                   600-640
                                0.303673
                                               59558
                                                         0.297790
12
    Simulation3
                                                                   0.000115
                                0.270458
13
    Simulation3
                      <600
                                               62177
                                                         0.310885
                                                                   0.005632
14
   Simulation3
                   641-680
                                0.264681
                                               48811
                                                         0.244055
                                                                   0.001673
15
    Simulation3
                   681-720
                                0.124479
                                               22574
                                                         0.112870
                                                                   0.001136
                   721-760
16
    Simulation3
                                                5890
                                0.031898
                                                         0.029450
                                                                   0.000195
17
    Simulation3
                      >760
                                0.004811
                                                 990
                                                         0.004950
                                                                   0.000004
                   600-640
                                0.303673
                                               37182
                                                         0.371820
18
    Simulation4
                                                                   0.013797
19
    Simulation4
                     <600
                                0.270458
                                               12188
                                                         0.121880
                                                                   0.118429
                   641-680
20 Simulation4
                                0.264681
                                               37863
                                                         0.378630
                                                                   0.040797
21
    Simulation4
                   681-720
                                0.124479
                                               11597
                                                         0.115970
                                                                   0.000602
                   721-760
22
    Simulation4
                                0.031898
                                               1135
                                                         0.011350
                                                                   0.021233
23
                     >760
                                0.004811
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                                                         0.000350
    Simulation4
                                                                   0.011691
                                               71856
24
    Simulation5
                   600-640
                                0.303673
                                                         0.239600
                                                                   0.015184
25
    Simulation5
                      <600
                                0.270458
                                               67083
                                                         0.223685
                                                                   0.008881
                   641-680
                                0.264681
                                                         0.254475
26
                                               76317
                                                                   0.000401
    Simulation5
27
                   681-720
                                0.124479
                                                         0.175395
    Simulation5
                                               52601
                                                                   0.017460
28 Simulation5
                   721-760
                                0.031898
                                               23664
                                                         0.078906
                                                                   0.042576
29
    Simulation5
                     >760
                                0.004811
                                               8379
                                                         0.027939
                                                                   0.040686
                   600-640
30
                                0.303673
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    Simulation6
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    Simulation6
                      <600
                                0.270458
                                              270457
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32
                   641-680
    Simulation6
                                0.264681
                                              264680
                                                         0.264681
33
                   681-720
                                                         0.124479
    Simulation6
                                0.124479
                                              124478
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    Simulation6
                   721-760
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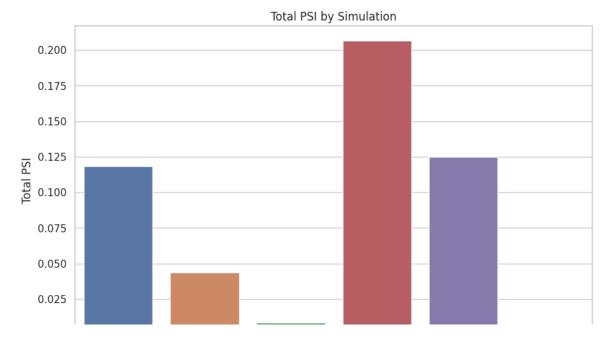
Step 4: Demonstrate the divergence in samples visually

```
1 import seaborn as sns
 2 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
 4 # Set the style for the plots
 5 sns.set_style("whitegrid")
 7 # Create a grid for 2x3 subplots, one for each simulation
 8 g = sns.FacetGrid(all_results, col="simulation", col_wrap=2, height=5, aspect=2)
10 # Plot % base_count and % new_count for each simulation with different colors
11 g.map(sns.lineplot, "FICO_Range", "% base_count", color="blue", label="% base_count") 12 g.map(sns.lineplot, "FICO_Range", "% new_count", color="orange", label="% new_count")
13
14 # Set labels and title
15 g.set_axis_labels("FICO_Range", "Base vs New Percentage")
16 g.set_titles(col_template="{col_name}")
18 # Add a customized legend for each subplot
19 g.add_legend(title="Legend")
20
21 # Show the plots
22 plt.show()
23
```



▼ Step 5: Compute PSI to establish the drifts in samples - Sample 6 is same as baseline

```
1 import seaborn as sns
 2 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
 4 # Calculate total PSI by Simulation
 5 total_psi_by_simulation = all_results.groupby('simulation')['PSI'].sum().reset_index()
 7 # Set the style for the plots
 8 sns.set_style("whitegrid")
10 # Create a bar plot
11 plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6))
12 sns.barplot(x='simulation', y='PSI', data=total_psi_by_simulation)
13
14 # Set labels and title
15 plt.xlabel("Simulation")
16 plt.ylabel("Total PSI")
17 plt.title("Total PSI by Simulation")
18
19 # Rotate x-axis labels for better readability
20 plt.xticks(rotation=45, ha='right')
21
22 # Show the bar plot
23 plt.show()
24
```



Summary and Conclusion:

Rules of thumb followed is that if PSI < 0.1 then distributions are similar or 'little drift'. PSI between 0.1 and 0.25 shows a 'moderate drift' and demands a review. Finally, PSI >0.25 means significant divergence or 'significant drift' from baseline distribution that needs immediate attention. As expected, PSI was able to detect the distortions introduced into data fields through the simulations with Simulations 1, 4 and 5 showing above the threshold PIS values.