Big Data for Decision Making

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1 Group Assignment

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2 Introduction

2.1 Business objective - Helping Budget Auto Insurance

Vehicle insurance company - Budget Auto Insurance is looking to optimize its revenue with the power of public domain data on the accidents available in UK government website. The aim is to utilize vital information regarding the accident data and create a predictive modelling based on the various variables which can be collected from customers such as vehicle type, age of the drive, sex of the driver, engine capacity of the vehicle, driver home area type, propulsion code etc. to predict the type of accident severity that can be anticipated from the customer and model the insurance premium cost based on this target variable. Doing this would be beneficial to the company by ensuring the right amount of premium is collected from customers more prone to severe accidents and also gain more customers by providing lower premium to those who are not prone to severe accidents.

3 Big data group assignment-Road safety dataset UK

Collaboration between group members done using google colab, where tasks relating to data pre - processing, cleaning, univariate analysis, bivariate analysis, handling outliers etc. was divided among the members and successfully accomplished as described below

```
[1]: #from google.colab import drive #drive.mount('/content/drive')
```

3.1 Importing libraries and setting up the dataset

```
[2]: import pandas as pd
  import numpy as np
  from scipy import stats
  from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler
  from sklearn.model_selection import StratifiedShuffleSplit
  #from google.colab import drive
  import warnings
  warnings.filterwarnings("ignore")
```

```
from sklearn.preprocessing import OneHotEncoder import seaborn as sns import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
```

To have more comprehensive perspective of the data we are considering 3 years (2020, 2019, 2018) of data regarding accidents, casualty and vehicles. We have not considered 2021 data as it is unvalidated. The data source is UK department for transport - (https://data.gov.uk/dataset/cb7ae6f0-4be6-4935-9277-47e5ce24a11f/road-safety-data)

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[7]: pd.set_option("display.max_columns", None)
     df_raw.tail()
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3.3 Data Spliting using Stratified sampling method

To have a testset and trainset representative of the population we use stratified sampling on the target variable - accident severity

```
[8]: #Using stratified sampling the imbalanced dataset is splitted into 80% training

→ and 20% testing data based on "accident_severity" variable

stratified_splitter = StratifiedShuffleSplit(n_splits=1, test_size=0.2,

→random_state=7)
```

There are 661943 train and 165486 test instances

```
[9]: #Checking whether the distribution of variable is homogeneous trainset["accident_severity"].value_counts(normalize=True)
```

[9]: 3 0.783046 2 0.198162 1 0.018792

Name: accident_severity, dtype: float64

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[10]: testset["accident_severity"].value_counts(normalize=True)
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[10]: 3 0.783045 2 0.198162 1 0.018793

83495

Name: accident_severity, dtype: float64

3.4 Feature Selection and engineering

For the insurance company ABC as discussed above some of the relevant factors that are into consideration - 1. Vehicle type 2. Age of driver 3. Sex of driver 4. Driver home area type 5. Driver IMD decile 6. Engine capacity 7. Propulsion code 8. Age of vehicle

These variables in our business context are more relatable to the target variable accident severity, hence our collective decision to proceed with the above variables.

```
[11]: #Required predictors are selected on the basis of background knowleadge which_
      → are relavent to this business problem
     trainset.drop(trainset.columns.
      -difference(['accident_severity','age_of_driver','sex_of_driver','vehicle_type','age_band_of
      →'longitude', 'latitude']), axis = 1, inplace = True)
      trainset.head()
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```
[12]: testset.drop(testset.columns.

→difference(['accident_severity', 'age_of_driver', 'sex_of_driver', 'vehicle_type', 'age_band_of

→'latitude']), axis = 1, inplace = True)
```

3.4.1 Binning and labelling categorical variables

The total categorical values before binning

The number of categories under vehicle type attribute is - 22

The number of categories under propulsion code attribute is - 11

The number of categories under age band of driver attribute is - 12

Since there is a high number of categories under the categorical variables - Vehicle type, Propulsion code and Age band of driver. We improve the dataset quality by binning the variables into more pertinent groups in order to improve predictive performance.

```
[14]: # defining dictionaries for variable binning
      cartype_dict = {1: 'Pedal cycle', 2: 'Motorcycle 50cc and under', 3:
       _{\hookrightarrow}'Motorcycle 125cc and under', 4: 'Motorcycle over 125cc and up to 500cc', 5:_{\sqcup}
       →'Motorcycle over 500cc', 8: 'Taxi/Private hire car', 9: 'Car', 10: 'Minibus_
       \hookrightarrow (8 - 16 passenger seats)', 11: 'Bus or coach (17 or more pass seats)', 16:
       _{\hookrightarrow}'Ridden horse', 17: 'Agricultural vehicle', 18: 'Tram', 19: 'Van / Goods 3.5_{\sqcup}
       ⇒tonnes mgw or under', 20: 'Goods over 3.5t. and under 7.5t', 21: 'Goods 7.5<sub>11</sub>
       →tonnes mgw and over', 22: 'Mobility scooter', 23: 'Electric motorcycle', 90:□
       →'Other vehicle', 97: 'Motorcycle - unknown cc', 98: 'Goods vehicle - unknown
       →weight', 99: 'Unknown vehicle type (self rep only)', 103: 'Motorcycle -
       →Scooter (1979-1998)', 104: 'Motorcycle (1979-1998)', 105: 'Motorcycle -
       →Combination (1979-1998)', 106: 'Motorcycle over 125cc (1999-2004)', 108:⊔
       _{\hookrightarrow}\mbox{'Taxi} (excluding private hire cars) (1979-2004)', 109: 'Car (including _{L}
      →private hire cars) (1979-2004)', 110: 'Minibus/Motor caravan (1979-1998)', □
      →113: 'Goods over 3.5 tonnes (1979-1998)', -1: np.nan, 90: 'Other vehicle' }
      homearea_dict = {1: 'Urban area', 2: 'Small town', 3: 'Rural', -1: np.nan }
      sex dict = {1: 'Male', 2: 'Female', 3: 'Not Known', -1: np.nan }
      ageband_dict = {1: '0 - 5', 2: '6 - 10', 3: '11 - 15', 4: '16 - 20', 5: '21 -__
      425', 6: '26 - 35', 7: '36 - 45', 8: '46 - 55', 9: '56 - 65', 10: '66 - 75',
      →11: 'Over 75', -1: np.nan}
      severity_dict = {1: 'Fatal', 2: 'Serious', 3: 'Slight'}
      prop_dict = {1: 'Petrol', 2: 'Heavy oil', 3: 'Electric', 4: 'Steam', 5: 'Gas', |
      →6: 'Petrol/Gas (LPG)', 7: 'Gas/Bi-fuel', 8: 'Hybrid electric', 9: 'Gas_
      →Diesel', 10: 'New fuel technology', 11: 'Fuel cells', 12: 'Electric diesel', ⊔
      \rightarrow-1: np.nan}
      prop_groups = {'Petrol': 'Petrol', 'Heavy oil': 'Heavy oil', 'Electric':
       →'Electric/Hybrid', 'Hybrid electric': 'Electric/Hybrid', 'Electric diesel':
      →'Electric/Hybrid', 'Steam': 'Others', 'Gas': 'Others', 'Gas Diesel':⊔
      →'Others', 'Petrol/Gas (LPG)': 'Others', 'Gas/Bi-fuel': 'Others'}
      vehicletype groups = {'Electric motorcycle': 'Two-wheeler', 'Mobility scooter': __
       →'Two-wheeler', 'Motorcycle 125cc and under': 'Two-wheeler', 'Motorcycle over
       \hookrightarrow125cc and up to 500cc': 'Two-wheeler', 'Motorcycle over 500cc':\sqcup
       _{\smile}'Two-wheeler', 'Motorcycle 50cc and under': 'Two-wheeler', 'Motorcycle _{\sqcup}
       →unknown cc': 'Two-wheeler', 'Goods 7.5 tonnes mgw and over': 'Heavy Cargo
       →Vehicle', 'Goods over 3.5t. and under 7.5t': 'Heavy Cargo Vehicle', 'Goods
       -vehicle - unknown weight': 'Heavy Cargo Vehicle', 'Van / Goods 3.5 tonnes⊔
       →mgw or under': 'Heavy Cargo Vehicle', 'Bus or coach (17 or more pass⊔
       \hookrightarrowseats)': 'Heavy Passenger Vehicle', 'Minibus (8 - 16 passenger seats)': \sqcup
       _{\hookrightarrow}'Heavy Passenger Vehicle', 'Car': 'Car', 'Taxi/Private hire car': 'Car', _{\sqcup}
       _{\hookrightarrow}'Agricultural vehicle': 'Car', 'Other vehicle': 'Car', 'Unknown vehicle type_{\sqcup}
      ageband_groups = {'0 - 5':'Toddler','6 - 10':'Child','11 - 15':'Teen','16 - 20':
       _{\hookrightarrow} 'Teen','21 - 25':'Young Adult','26 - 35':'Young Adult','36 - 45':'Adult','46 _{\sqcup}
      # defining a fuction that takes a dataframe, a column label and a dictionary
      # and bins the variable data accordinggly to the dictionary and returns the
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```
def replace_all(df,column, dict):
          for i, j in dict.items():
              df[column] = df[column].replace(i, j).copy()
          return df
      # for both the training and testing datasets:
      for dataset in [trainset, testset]:
        # replacing the -1 values for missing values, as it is what it means
        dataset.replace(-1, np.NaN, inplace=True)
        # setting the engine capacity of electric cars to 0, instead of missing so
       → that they are not dropped in the future
        dataset.loc[dataset['propulsion_code'] == 3, 'engine_capacity_cc'] = 0
        # binning all the variables needed
        replace_all(dataset,"vehicle_type",cartype_dict)
        replace_all(dataset,"sex_of_driver",sex_dict)
        replace all(dataset, "age band of driver", ageband dict)
        replace_all(dataset,"driver_home_area_type",homearea_dict)
        replace all(dataset, "propulsion code", prop dict)
        replace_all(dataset,"accident_severity",severity_dict)
        replace all(dataset, "propulsion code", prop groups)
        replace_all(dataset,"vehicle_type",vehicletype_groups)
        replace_all(dataset,"age_band_of_driver",ageband_groups)
      trainset.head()
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edited dataframe

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[15]: print('The total categorical values after binning')
totcat_veh_typ = trainset.vehicle_type.nunique()
print(f'The number of categories under vehicle type attribute is ¬□

→{totcat_veh_typ}')

totcat_prop_cod = trainset.propulsion_code.nunique()
print(f'The number of categories under propulsion code attribute is ¬□

→{totcat_prop_cod}')

totcat_age_band = trainset.age_band_of_driver.nunique()
print(f'The number of categories under age band of driver attribute is ¬□

→{totcat_age_band}')
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The total categorical values after binning

The number of categories under vehicle type attribute is -5

The number of categories under propulsion code attribute is -4

The number of categories under age band of driver attribute is -6
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3.5 Univariate analysis

3.5.1 Summary statistics - Age of driver

In the cell below we define a function for ease of use and future re-use to simplify the code and give it more clarity.

From the summary statistics we can see that the median age of drivers involved in accidents is 40, but the actual range varies from 20 to 60, with a steep decline after that. On top of this, the highest amount of accidents involve persons who are aged around 30.

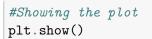
3.5.2 Visualization - Age of driver

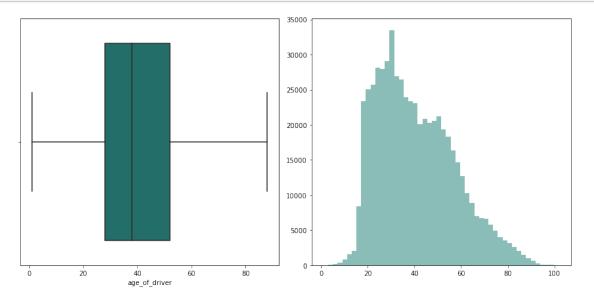
The distribution and skewness of this variable are illustrated by the histogram and box plot below.

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[17]: from matplotlib.pyplot import figure
    sns.set_palette("BrBG_r")
    figure(figsize=(12, 6))

#Boxplot
    plt.subplot(1, 2, 1)
    #Define plot object
    sns.boxplot(x = 'age_of_driver', data = trainset, showfliers = False)

#Histogram
    plt.subplot(1, 2, 2)
    #Define plot object
    plt.hist(x = 'age_of_driver', data = trainset, bins = 50, alpha = 0.5)
    plt.tight_layout()
```





There are a few minors listed in the dataset which may indicate illegal driving of a car, but all in all, fairly even distributed data overall.

3.5.3 Summary statistics - engine capacity in cc

```
[18]: summary_statistics_quant(trainset, column = 'engine_capacity_cc')
```

```
*********************
```

```
CENTRAL TENDENCY
```

The mean of the variable - 'engine_capacity_cc' is 1868.4492192695193
The mode of the variable - 'engine_capacity_cc' is 1598.0
The median of the variable - 'engine_capacity_cc' is 1598.0
SPREAD OF THE DATA

The range of the variable - 'engine_capacity_cc' is 99999.0

The interquartile range of the variable - 'engine_capacity_cc' is nan

The variance of the variable - 'engine_capacity_cc' is 2480567.5373009634

The standard deviation of the variable - 'engine_capacity_cc' is

1574.9817577676777

The mean absolute deviation of the variable - 'engine_capacity_cc' is 734.7957219632317

The mean of the engine capacity is 1868, which indicates that the cars involved in the accidents are mid-range, most probably family cars which have moderate fuel average range.

3.5.4 Vizualization - engine capacity

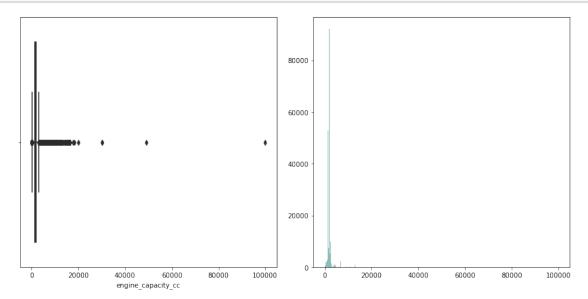
The distribution and skewness of this variable are illustrated by the histogram and box plot below.

```
[19]: from matplotlib.pyplot import figure
    sns.set_palette("BrBG_r")
    figure(figsize=(12, 6))

#Boxplot
    plt.subplot(1, 2, 1)
    #Define plot object
    sns.boxplot(x = 'engine_capacity_cc', data = trainset)

#Histogram
    plt.subplot(1, 2, 2)
    #Define plot object
    plt.hist(x = 'engine_capacity_cc', data = trainset, bins = 1000, alpha = 0.5)
    plt.tight_layout()

#Showing the plot
    plt.show()
```



Most of the cars stay in the range of 1000-2000 cc capacity, with a lot of outliers in the low end which are indicative of electric vehicles with 0cc and motor vehicles with low cc, and also in the high end which may indicate the cars involved in those accidents may be sports cars and error in data

3.5.5 Summary statistics - Accident severity

```
CENTRAL TENDENCY
The mode of the variable - 'accident_severity' is Slight
SPREAD OF THE DATA
The count of values for the variable - 'accident_severity' is
Slight
          518332
Serious
          131172
Fatal
           12439
Name: accident_severity, dtype: int64
The proportion of categories for the variable - 'accident_severity' is
Slight
          0.783046
Serious
          0.198162
Fatal
          0.018792
Name: accident_severity, dtype: float64
*************************
```

From the statistics, we can see that the majority of accidents have been categorized as "Slight severity", with a 78% presence. In contrast, less than 2% of the accidents have been fatal, with "Serious" accidents making up the 19% missing.

3.5.6 Vizualization - accident_severity

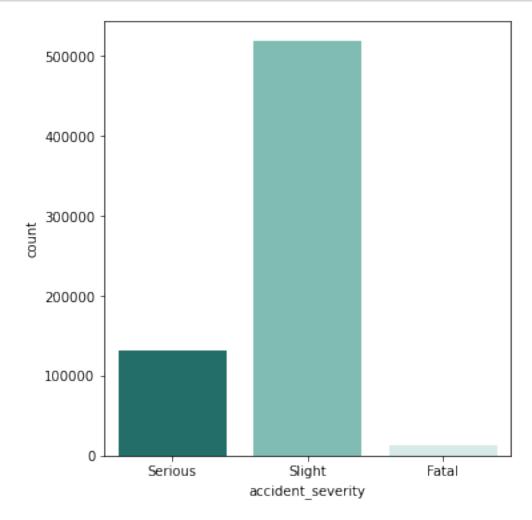
The plot below illustrates the 'counts' for this variable.

```
[21]: def categorical_viz(df, column):
    sns.set_palette("BrBG_r")
    figure(figsize=(12, 6))

#Boxplot
```

```
plt.subplot(1, 2, 1)
    #Define plot object
    sns.countplot(x = column, data = df)

#Showing the plot
categorical_viz(trainset, 'accident_severity')
```



There are far fewer "Serious" accidents that "Slight" accidents, with a very small count of accidents categorized as "Fatal"

3.5.7 Summary statistics - age_of_vehicle

The mean of the age of the cars involved in accidents is almost 8 years, which may raise concerns regarding the safety of the driver. On top of this, older cars may end up being damaged more than newer cars, which may cost the insurance company more to cover.

3.5.8 Vizualization - age_of_vehicle

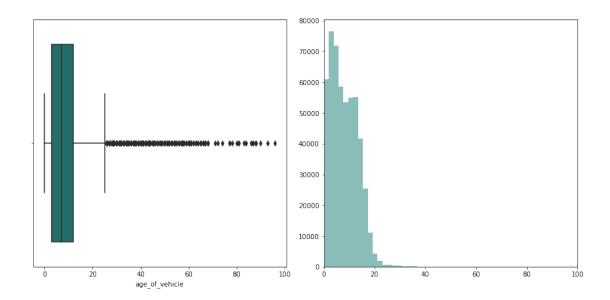
The distribution and skewness of this variable are illustrated by the histogram and box plot below.

```
[23]: from matplotlib.pyplot import figure
    sns.set_palette("BrBG_r")
    figure(figsize=(12, 6))

#Boxplot
plt.subplot(1, 2, 1)
#Define plot object
sns.boxplot(x = 'age_of_vehicle', data = trainset)

#Histogram
plt.subplot(1, 2, 2)
plt.xlim(0,100)
#Define plot object
plt.hist(x = 'age_of_vehicle', data = trainset, bins = 50, alpha = 0.5)
plt.tight_layout()

#Showing the plot
plt.show()
```



There can be seen a few outliers which consist of cars older than 20 years, but the majority of them are no older than 15 years. As seen in the histogram, the newer the car is, the higher probabilty of an accident, which may signal the insurance company to target individuals who recently bought a car.

3.5.9 Summary statistics - vehicle_type

```
[24]:
    summary_statistics_cat(trainset, 'vehicle_type')
    **********************
    CENTRAL TENDENCY
    The mode of the variable - 'vehicle_type' is Car
    SPREAD OF THE DATA
    The count of values for the variable - 'vehicle_type' is
    Car
                             504131
    Heavy Cargo Vehicle
                              55227
    Two-wheeler
                              44948
    Pedal cycle
                              43671
    Heavy Passenger Vehicle
                              13231
    Name: vehicle_type, dtype: int64
    The proportion of categories for the variable - 'vehicle_type' is
                             0.762439
    Car
    Heavy Cargo Vehicle
                             0.083524
    Two-wheeler
                             0.067979
    Pedal cycle
                             0.066047
    Heavy Passenger Vehicle
                             0.020010
    Name: vehicle_type, dtype: float64
    *************************
```

The majority of accidents involve standard cars, more precisely 76%. This may signal the insurancy

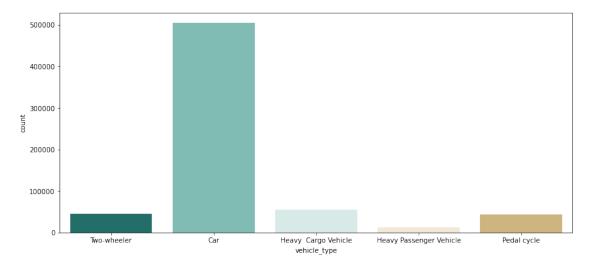
company to focus on retail cars, and dedicate their attention on how to assess the value and damages which may follow after an accident.

3.5.10 Vizualization - vehicle_type

```
[25]: def categorical_viz_temp(df, column):
    sns.set_palette("BrBG_r")
    figure(figsize=(30, 6))

#Boxplot
    plt.subplot(1, 2, 1)
    #Define plot object
    sns.countplot(x = column, data = df)

#Showing the plot
categorical_viz_temp(trainset, 'vehicle_type')
```



There are far more accidents involving normal cars than other types of vehicles, but a small percentage of accidents are represented by cyclists which are not of interest to the insurance company.

3.5.11 Summary statistics - age_band_of_driver

```
[26]: summary_statistics_cat(trainset, 'age_band_of_driver')

***********************

CENTRAL TENDENCY

The mode of the variable - 'age_band_of_driver' is Adult

SPREAD OF THE DATA

The count of values for the variable - 'age_band_of_driver' is

Adult 273706

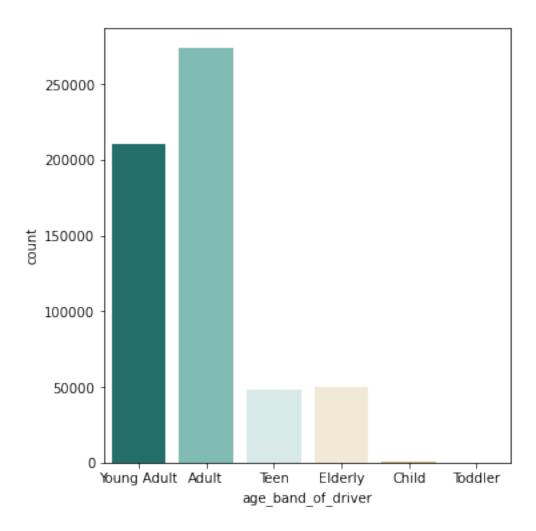
Young Adult 210165
```

```
Elderly
                50301
Teen
                48508
Child
                  910
Toddler
                  111
Name: age_band_of_driver, dtype: int64
The proportion of categories for the variable - 'age_band_of_driver' is
Adult
               0.468915
Young Adult
               0.360056
Elderly
               0.086176
Teen
               0.083104
Child
               0.001559
Toddler
               0.000190
Name: age_band_of_driver, dtype: float64
```

A very small percentage of the drivers have been categorized as "minors" which may indicate that they have been involved in the accident and not the ones causing it. The majority of people fall into the "Adult" or "Young adult" category, with far fewer "Elderly" people which may signify that elderly persons use their cars less or are more careful when driving. But taking into consideration the decrease in reflexes and coordination as we grow older, the former may apply in this case.

3.5.12 Vizualization - age band of driver

```
[27]: #Showing the plot
categorical_viz(trainset, 'age_band_of_driver')
```



The graph showing the "counts" of every inidividual age group.

3.5.13 Summary statistics - propulsion_code

```
[28]: summary_statistics_cat(trainset, 'propulsion_code')
    *************************
    CENTRAL TENDENCY
    The mode of the variable - 'propulsion_code' is Petrol
    SPREAD OF THE DATA
    The count of values for the variable - 'propulsion_code' is
    Petrol
                      272016
    Heavy oil
                      232460
    Electric/Hybrid
                       14307
    Others
                         528
    Name: propulsion_code, dtype: int64
    The proportion of categories for the variable - 'propulsion_code' is
```

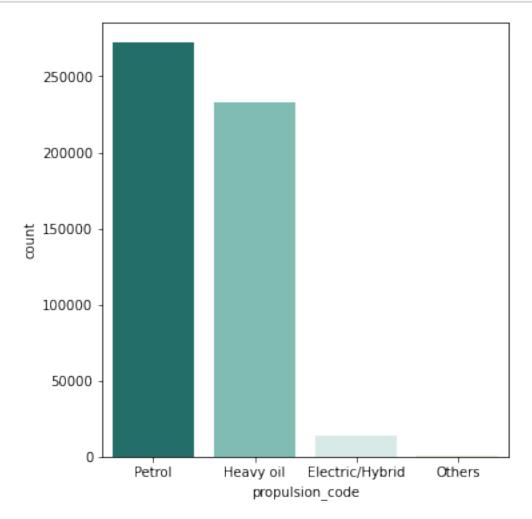
Petrol 0.523802 Heavy oil 0.447632 Electric/Hybrid 0.027550 Others 0.001017

Name: propulsion_code, dtype: float64

A great majority of cars still run on Petrol or Heavy Oil, with Electric/Hybrid cars still making an entrance in the market, being only 2% of the cars that are involved in accidents. This may give the insurance company a direction to follow regarding which types of cars most people use.

3.5.14 Vizualization - propulsion_code

```
[29]: #Showing the plot categorical_viz(trainset, 'propulsion_code')
```



The graph which shows the "count" of each individual car and what it runs on. As seen above, petrol and heavy oil highly outclass the other types of propulsion codes.

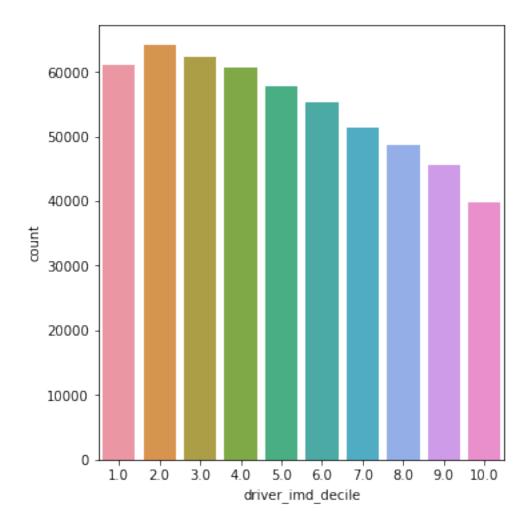
3.5.15 Summary statistics - driver_imd_decile

```
[30]: summary_statistics_cat(trainset, 'driver_imd_decile')
     *************************
    CENTRAL TENDENCY
    The mode of the variable - 'driver_imd_decile' is 2.0
    SPREAD OF THE DATA
    The count of values for the variable - 'driver_imd_decile' is
    2.0
            64078
    3.0
            62331
    1.0
            61029
            60563
    4.0
    5.0
            57680
    6.0
            55193
    7.0
            51256
    8.0
            48759
    9.0
            45662
            39831
    10.0
    Name: driver_imd_decile, dtype: int64
    The proportion of categories for the variable - 'driver_imd_decile' is
    2.0
            0.117277
    3.0
            0.114080
    1.0
            0.111697
    4.0
            0.110844
    5.0
            0.105567
    6.0
            0.101015
    7.0
            0.093810
    8.0
            0.089240
            0.083572
    9.0
    10.0
            0.072900
    Name: driver_imd_decile, dtype: float64
     **************************
```

Summary statistics show a fairly distributed range of multiple deprivation, which means that a person's financial situation does not matter that much when it comes to the severity of an accident, and it can happen to anyone, regardless of their income.

3.5.16 Vizualization - driver_imd_decile

```
[31]: #Showing the plot categorical_viz(trainset, 'driver_imd_decile')
```



Although the counts are fairly evenly distributed, a consistent decrease can be seen as a person has more income, which may mean that they can afford higher-end cars that come with better safety features which decrease the severity of accidents, but at the same time cost more.

3.6 Bivariate Analysis

Bivariate analysis is conducted between the target variable and the predictors in the dataset to understand the association between them.

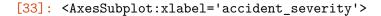
3.6.1 Accident severity and Age band of driver

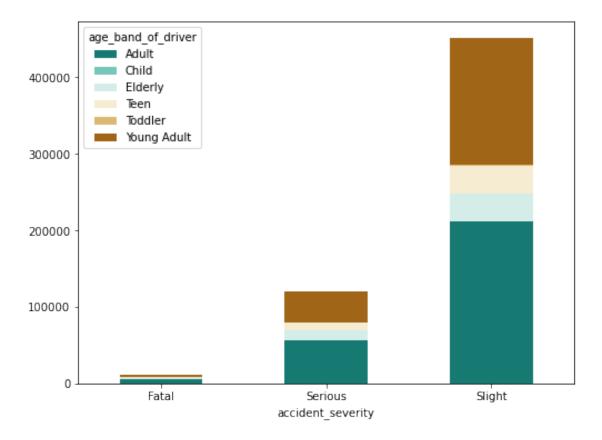
```
[32]: #Contingency table is created between the variables "accident_severity" and use "age_band_of_driver" cont_table = pd.crosstab(trainset['accident_severity'], use trainset['age_band_of_driver']) cont_table
```

[32]:	age_band_of_driver	Adult	Child	Elderly	Teen	Toddler	Young Adult
	accident_severity						
	Fatal	5704	1	1725	756	4	3752
	Serious	56229	169	12806	10891	19	40591
	Slight	211773	740	35770	36861	88	165822

Visualization of "Accident severity" and "Age band of driver"

```
[33]: cont_table.plot(kind="bar", stacked=True, rot=0,figsize=(8,6))
```





The above graph shows that the category "adult" in age band of driver is most prone to the accident in every category of accident severity followed by "Young Adult".

Dependency test on "Accident severity" and "Age band of driver" As both are categorial variables , we conduct Chi-Square test on them.

Null Hypothesis(H0): No dependency between the variables

Alternate Hypothesis (H1): The variables are dependent on each other

```
[34]: chi2, p_val, dof, expected = stats.chi2_contingency(cont_table)
print(f"p-value: {p_val}")
```

p-value: 0.0

By looking at the p-value which is less than the usual significance level of 0.05, we reject the null hypothesis that there is no dependence between "Accident severity" and "Age band of driver".

3.6.2 Accident severity and sex of driver

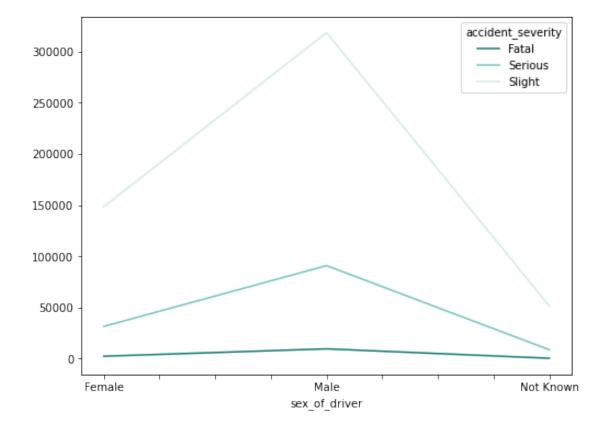
Visualization of "Accident severity" and "sex of driver"

```
[35]: b=trainset.groupby('sex_of_driver')['accident_severity'].value_counts().

→unstack()

b.plot(figsize=(8,6))
```

[35]: <AxesSubplot:xlabel='sex_of_driver'>

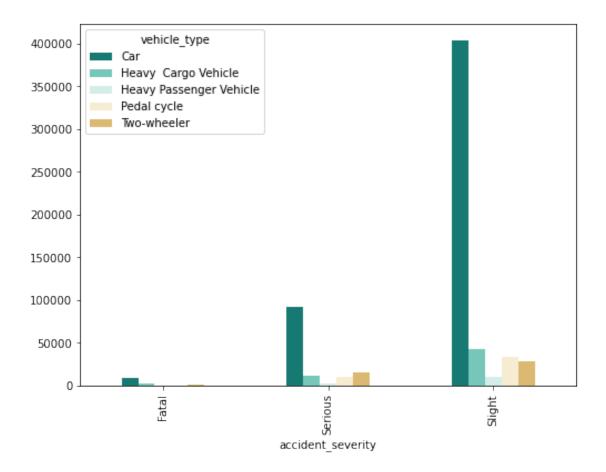


The above graph clearly depicts that the male drivers are vulnerable to each category under accident severity.

3.6.3 Accident severity and Vehicle type

```
[36]: #Contingency table is created between the variables "accident_severity" and
      → "vehicle_type"
     cont_table2 = pd.crosstab(trainset['accident_severity'],__
      cont_table2
                          Car Heavy Cargo Vehicle Heavy Passenger Vehicle \
[36]: vehicle_type
     accident_severity
     Fatal
                          8686
                                               1819
                                                                        341
     Serious
                         92113
                                              11131
                                                                       2577
     Slight
                        403332
                                              42277
                                                                      10313
     vehicle_type
                        Pedal cycle Two-wheeler
     accident_severity
     Fatal
                                375
                                           1211
     Serious
                              10274
                                          14912
                                          28825
     Slight
                              33022
     Visualization of "Accident severity" and "Vehicle type"
[37]: cont_table2.plot(kind="bar",figsize=(8,6))
```

[37]: <AxesSubplot:xlabel='accident_severity'>



The above graph shows that the vehicle type "Car" is leading all other vehicle type in means of accident severity as expected.

Dependency test on "Accident severity" and "Vehicle type"

```
[38]: chi2, p_val, dof, expected = stats.chi2_contingency(cont_table2)
print(f"p-value: {p_val}")
```

p-value: 0.0

By looking at the p-value which is less than the usual significance level of 0.05, we reject the null hypothesis that there is no dependence between "Accident severity" and "Vehicle type".

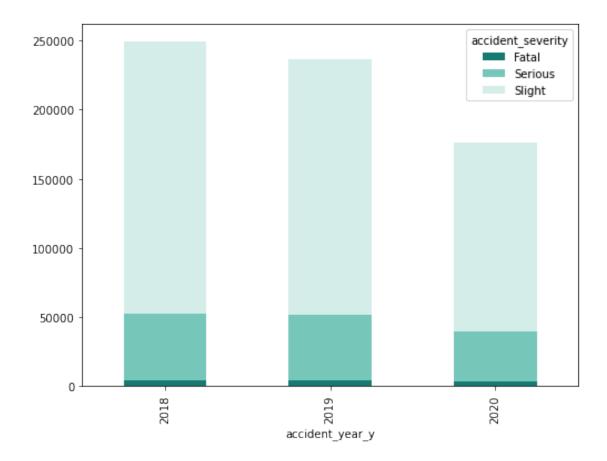
3.6.4 Accident severity and Accident year

```
[39]: c=trainset.groupby('accident_year_y')['accident_severity'].value_counts().

→unstack()

c.plot(kind='bar',stacked=True,figsize=(8,6))
```

[39]: <AxesSubplot:xlabel='accident_year_y'>



The above graph depicts that the frequency of accident is reducing gradually from previous year which shows the improvement of road safety. On the other hand it is noted that there is drastic reduce in accident by the year 2020, this may be due to covid restrictions and lockdown.

3.7 Dropping all the null values from the dataset

```
[40]: #Percentage of missing values in the dataset is obtained trainset.isna().mean().round(4) * 100
```

[40]:	longitude	0.03
	latitude	0.03
	accident_severity	0.00
	accident_year_y	0.00
	vehicle_type	0.11
	sex_of_driver	0.00
	age_of_driver	11.82
	age_band_of_driver	11.82
	<pre>engine_capacity_cc</pre>	21.62
	propulsion_code	21.55
	age_of_vehicle	21.62

```
17.42
      driver_home_area_type
      dtype: float64
[41]: df train clean=trainset.dropna().reset index(drop = True)
      df_train_clean.head()
[41]:
                     latitude accident_severity accident_year_y vehicle_type \
         longitude
      0 -2.177585 53.408598
                                        Serious
                                                             2018 Two-wheeler
                                                            2020 Two-wheeler
      1 -0.092945 51.379843
                                         Slight
      2 -1.853969 54.962991
                                        Serious
                                                            2020 Two-wheeler
      3 -2.190595 53.853124
                                         Slight
                                                             2018
                                                                           Car
                                                            2019 Two-wheeler
      4 -0.204440 51.488573
                                        Serious
        sex_of_driver age_of_driver age_band_of_driver engine_capacity_cc \
                 Male
                                25.0
                                            Young Adult
                                                                       999.0
      0
                 Male
                                25.0
                                            Young Adult
                                                                       124.0
      1
      2
                 Male
                                25.0
                                                                       125.0
                                            Young Adult
      3
               Female
                                28.0
                                            Young Adult
                                                                       998.0
                 Male
                                17.0
                                                                       108.0
                                                   Teen
        propulsion_code age_of_vehicle driver_imd_decile driver_home_area_type
                 Petrol
                                                       7.0
      0
                                   11.0
                                                                       Urban area
      1
                 Petrol
                                    3.0
                                                       5.0
                                                                       Urban area
      2
                 Petrol
                                    0.0
                                                       4.0
                                                                       Urban area
      3
                 Petrol
                                   10.0
                                                       2.0
                                                                       Urban area
                 Petrol
                                    2.0
                                                       8.0
                                                                       Urban area
[42]: df_test_clean=testset.dropna().reset_index(drop = True)
[43]: #Checking for the null values in percentage in training dataset
      df_train_clean.isna().mean().round(4) * 100
      #There are no missing values in the data
[43]: longitude
                               0.0
                               0.0
      latitude
      accident_severity
                               0.0
      accident_year_y
                               0.0
      vehicle_type
                               0.0
                               0.0
      sex_of_driver
      age_of_driver
                               0.0
      age_band_of_driver
                               0.0
      engine_capacity_cc
                               0.0
```

driver_imd_decile

propulsion_code

age_of_vehicle

driver_imd_decile

17.46

0.0

0.0

0.0

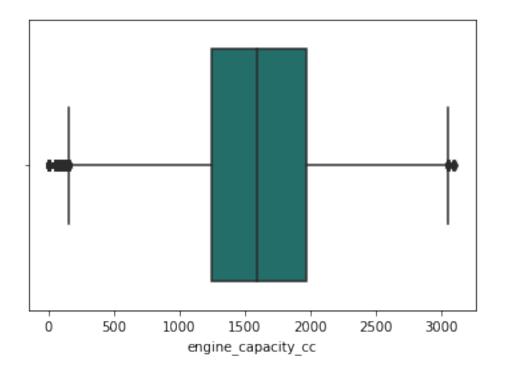
```
driver_home_area_type 0.0
dtype: float64
```

3.8 Handling Outliers

During the analysis of the descriptive statistics, the engine_capacity_cc and age_of_vehicle variables were identified to produce outliers. These outliers have to be removed in order for the variables to be properly used in the predictive modelling without introducing bias.

```
[44]: # defining a function that takes a dataframe and a column label and returns the
      # same dataframe without the outlier values. The outlier values are being
      # calculated using the [Q1-1.5*IQR; Q3+1.5*IQR] range. Optionally, the function
      # can take a fixed lower and/or upper bound which is set disregarding the
      # previous IQR range.
      def delete outliers igr(dataframe, col, fixedlower=-99, fixedupper=-99):
          outliers = []
          sorted_data = sorted(dataframe[col])
          q1 = np.percentile(sorted data, 25)
          q3 = np.percentile(sorted_data, 75)
          IQR = q3-q1
          lwr_bound = q1-(1.5*IQR)
          upr_bound = q3+(1.5*IQR)
          if fixedlower != -99:
            lwr_bound = fixedlower
          if fixedupper != -99:
            upr_bound = fixedupper
          print(lwr_bound, upr_bound)
          for i in sorted data:
              if (i<lwr_bound or i>upr_bound):
                  outliers.append(i)
          return dataframe[~dataframe[col].isin(outliers)]
      print(df_train_clean.shape)
      '''calling the previously defined fuction, to clean the engine capacity,
       \hookrightarrow outliers,
      fixing its lower bound to O, since many usefull data that is not an outlier
      has O (electric) or low (motorcycles) engine capacity, that would be deleted
      otherwise'''
      df train clean =
      delete_outliers_iqr(df_train_clean, 'engine_capacity_cc',fixedlower=0)
      print(df_train_clean.shape)
      '''Dropping the outliers of age of vehicle, fixing lower bound to 0 as we need \Box
      vehicles from age 0 to be considered'''
```

(446558, 13) 0 3115.5 (424541, 13) 0 25.5



[44]:	longitude	latitude	accident_severity	accident_year_y	vehicle_type	\
0	-2.177585	53.408598	Serious	2018	Two-wheeler	
1	-0.092945	51.379843	Slight	2020	Two-wheeler	
2	-1.853969	54.962991	Serious	2020	Two-wheeler	
3	-2.190595	53.853124	Slight	2018	Car	
4	-0.204440	51.488573	Serious	2019	Two-wheeler	
5	0.722184	52.084873	Slight	2019	Car	
6	-1.750043	53.805929	Slight	2018	Car	
8	-1.076592	53.515027	Slight	2019	Car	
9	-0.420992	53.009885	Slight	2019	Car	
10	-4.533413	55.826956	Serious	2019	Car	

	sex_of_driver a	age_of_driver age	e_band_of_driver	engine_capacity_cc \
0	Male	25.0	Young Adult	999.0
1	Male	25.0	Young Adult	124.0
2	Male	25.0	Young Adult	125.0
3	Female	28.0	Young Adult	998.0
4	Male	17.0	Teen	108.0
5	Male	71.0	Elderly	1968.0
6	Female	31.0	Young Adult	2993.0
8	Female	18.0	Teen	1395.0
9	Male	40.0	Adult	2967.0
10	Female	42.0	Adult	898.0
	propulsion_code	age_of_vehicle	driver_imd_decil	e driver_home_area_type
0	<pre>propulsion_code Petrol</pre>	age_of_vehicle 11.0	driver_imd_decil	
0		-		0 Urban area
	Petrol	11.0	7.	0 Urban area 0 Urban area
1	Petrol Petrol	11.0 3.0	7. 5.	0 Urban area 0 Urban area 0 Urban area
1 2	Petrol Petrol Petrol	11.0 3.0 0.0	7. 5. 4.	0 Urban area 0 Urban area 0 Urban area 0 Urban area
1 2 3	Petrol Petrol Petrol Petrol	11.0 3.0 0.0 10.0	7. 5. 4. 2.	0 Urban area
1 2 3 4	Petrol Petrol Petrol Petrol Petrol	11.0 3.0 0.0 10.0 2.0	7. 5. 4. 2. 8.	0 Urban area 0 Rural
1 2 3 4 5	Petrol Petrol Petrol Petrol Petrol Heavy oil	11.0 3.0 0.0 10.0 2.0 6.0	7. 5. 4. 2. 8.	0 Urban area 0 Rural 0 Urban area
1 2 3 4 5 6	Petrol Petrol Petrol Petrol Petrol Heavy oil	11.0 3.0 0.0 10.0 2.0 6.0 11.0	7. 5. 4. 2. 8. 4.	0 Urban area 0 Rural 0 Urban area 0 Urban area

3.9 Converting categorical to dummy variables

This ensures the categorical variables with n - categories are converted into (n-1) separate columns. The function below creates columns for all categories except the first category it encounters. This is necessary since having all categories will cause multicollinearity problems in the predictive model.

```
dummy_converter(df_train_clean, 'vehicle_type')
     for i in cat col list:
          dummy converter(df train clean, i)
     # check if the dummies are produced correctly
     df_train_clean.head()
[45]:
        longitude
                    latitude accident_severity accident_year_y vehicle_type \
     0 -2.177585 53.408598
                                       Serious
                                                           2018 Two-wheeler
     1 -0.092945 51.379843
                                        Slight
                                                           2020 Two-wheeler
     2 -1.853969 54.962991
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     3 -2.190595 53.853124
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     4 -0.204440 51.488573
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cat_col_list = ['vehicle_type', 'sex_of_driver', 'age_band_of_driver',

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[46]: #Creating dummies for testset
for j in cat_col_list:
    dummy_converter(df_test_clean,j)
```

3.9.1 Export the data

```
[47]: fileNameTrainset = 'trainset.csv'
fileNameTestset = "testset.csv"

# saving the excel
df_train_clean.to_csv(fileNameTrainset, index = False)
df_test_clean.to_csv(fileNameTestset, index = False)
```