Activity Course 3 Automatidata project lab

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0.1 Course 3 Automatidata project

Course 3 - Go Beyond the Numbers: Translate Data into Insights

1 Course 3 end-of-course project: Exploratory data analysis

In this activity, you will examine data provided and prepare it for analysis.

The purpose of this project is to conduct exploratory data analysis on a provided data set.

The goal is to clean data set and create a visualization.

This activity has 4 parts:

Part 1: Imports, links, and loading

Part 2: Data Exploration * Data cleaning

Part 3: Building visualizations

Part 4: Evaluate and share results

Follow the instructions and answer the questions below to complete the activity. Then, you will complete an Executive Summary using the questions listed on the PACE Strategy Document.

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Welcome to the New York City Taxi project!

You are the newest data professional in a fictional data analytics firm: Automatidata. The team is still early into the project, having only just completed an initial plan of action and some early Python coding work.

Opening your company email, you notice a message from Luana Rodriquez, the senior data analyst at Automatidata. Luana is pleased with the work you have already completed and requests your assistance with some EDA and data visualization work for the New York City Taxi and Limousine Commission project (New York City TLC).

Recall that you have a helpful tool at your disposal! Refer to the PACE Strategy Document here to help apply your learnings, apply new problem-solving skills, and guide your approach to this project.

2 Visualize a story in Tableau and Python

In this activity, you will design a professional data visualization that tells a story, and will help someone make a data-driven decision for their business needs. Please note that this activity is optional, and will not affect your completion of the course.

Completing this activity will help you practice planning out and plotting a data visualization based on a specific business need. The structure of this activity is designed to emulate the proposals you will likely be assigned in your career as a data professional. Completing this activity will help prepare you for those career moments.

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2.1 PACE stages

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- [Construct] (#scrollTo=Lca9c8XON8lc&line=2&uniqifier=1)
- [Execute] (#scrollTo=401PgchTPr4E&line=2&uniqifier=1)

3 Pace: Plan Stage

In this stage, consider the following questions where applicable to complete your code response: 1. Identify any outliers:

- What methods are best for identifying outliers?
- How do you make the decision to keep or exclude outliers from any future models?

3.1 Step 1. Imports, links, and loading

Go to Tableau Public The following link will help you complete this activity. Keep Tableau Public open as you proceed to the next steps.

Link to supporting materials: Tableau Public: https://public.tableau.com/s/

For EDA of the data, import the data and packages that would be most helpful, such as pandas, numpy and matplotlib.

The code to read in the dataset is provided.

```
[1]: import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import datetime as dt
import seaborn as sns
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[2]: df = pd.read_csv('2017_Yellow_Taxi_Trip_Data.csv')
```

4 pAce: Analyze Stage

In this stage, consider the following questions where applicable to complete your code response: 1. Does the data need to be restructured or converted into usable formats?

2. Is there any categorical data that needs to be converted to numerical data?

4.1 Step 2a: Data Exploration & Cleaning

Decide which columns are applicable

The first step is to assess your data. Check the Data Source page on Tableau Public to get a sense of the size, shape and makeup of the data set. Then answer these questions to yourself:

Given our scenario, which data columns are most applicable? Which data columns can I eliminate, knowing they won't solve our problem scenario?

Consider functions that help you understand and structure the data.

- head()
- describe()
- info()
- groupby()
- sortby()

What do you do about missing data (if any)?

Are there data outliers? What are they and how might you handle them?

Start by discovering, using head and size.

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[3]: df.head(10)
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[4]: print(df.size)
     print(df.shape)
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(22699, 18)

Use describe...

[5]: df.describe() Unnamed: 0 [5]: VendorID passenger_count trip_distance 2.269900e+04 22699.000000 22699.000000 22699.000000 count mean 5.675849e+07 1.556236 1.642319 2.913313 std 3.274493e+07 0.496838 1.285231 3.653171 1.212700e+04 0.00000 0.000000 min 1.000000 25% 2.852056e+07 1.000000 1.000000 0.990000 50% 5.673150e+07 2.000000 1.000000 1.610000 75% 8.537452e+07 2.000000 2.000000 3.060000 1.134863e+08 2.000000 6.000000 33.960000 maxRatecodeID PULocationID DOLocationID payment_type fare_amount count 22699.000000 22699.000000 22699.000000 22699.000000 22699.000000 mean 1.043394 162.412353 161.527997 1.336887 13.026629 std 0.708391 66.633373 70.139691 0.496211 13.243791 min 1.000000 1.000000 1.000000 1.000000 -120.000000 25% 1.000000 114.000000 112.000000 1.000000 6.500000 50% 1.000000 162.000000 162.000000 1.000000 9.500000 75% 233.000000 1.000000 233.000000 2.000000 14.500000 99.000000 265.000000 265.000000 4.000000 999.990000 max mta_tax tip_amount tolls_amount extra 22699.000000 22699.000000 22699.000000 22699.000000 count 0.312542 mean 0.333275 0.497445 1.835781 std 0.463097 0.039465 2.800626 1.399212 min 0.000000 -1.000000-0.5000000.000000 25% 0.000000 0.500000 0.00000 0.00000 50% 0.000000 0.500000 0.000000 1.350000 75% 0.500000 0.500000 0.00000 2.450000 max 4.500000 0.500000 200.000000 19.100000 improvement_surcharge total amount 22699.000000 22699.000000 count mean 0.299551 16.310502 std 0.015673 16.097295 min -0.300000 -120.300000 25% 0.300000 8.750000 11.800000 50% 0.300000 75% 0.300000 17.800000

And info.

[6]: df.info()

max

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Data columns (total 18 columns):

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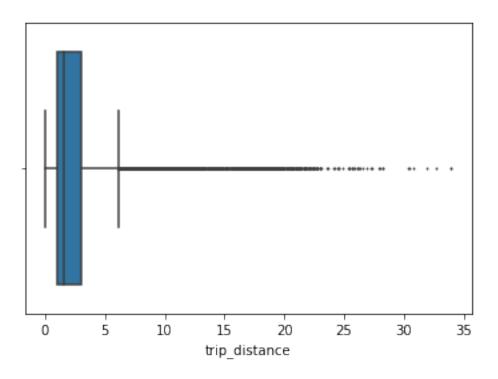
Perform a check for outliers on relevant columns such as trip distance and trip duration. Remember, one of the best ways to look for outliers is a box plot visualization.

Note: Remember to convert your date columns to datetime in order to derive total trip duration.

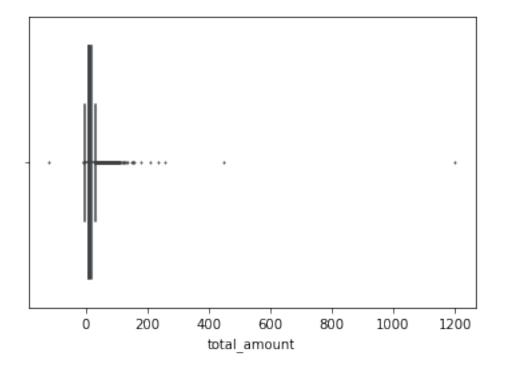
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[7]: df['tpep_pickup_datetime'] = pd.to_datetime(df['tpep_pickup_datetime'])
df['tpep_dropoff_datetime'] = pd.to_datetime(df['tpep_dropoff_datetime'])

[8]: sns.boxplot(data=None, x=df['trip_distance'],fliersize=1)
```

[8]: <matplotlib.axes._subplots.AxesSubplot at 0x7f35aeb08c50>



- [9]: sns.boxplot(data=None, x=df['total_amount'],fliersize=1)
- [9]: <matplotlib.axes._subplots.AxesSubplot at 0x7f35aea65750>



4.2 Step 2b. Assess whether dimensions and measures are correct

In Tableau, staying on the data source page, double check the data types for the applicable columns you selected on the previous step. Pay particular attention to the dimensions and measures to assure they are correct.

Review the instructions at this link to create the required Tableau visualization.

4.3 Step 2c. Select Visualization Type(s)

Select data visualization types that will help you understand and explain the data.

Now that you know which data columns you'll use, it is time to decide which data visualization makes the most sense for EDA of the TLC dataset. What type of data visualization(s) would be most helpful?

- Line graph?
- Bar chart?
- Box plot?
- Histogram?
- Heat map?
- Scatter plot?
- A geographic map?

A box plot will be helpful to determine outliers and where the bulk of the data points reside in terms of trip_distance, duration and total_amount

A scatter plot will be helpful to visualize the trends and patters and outliers of critical variables, such as trip_distance and total_amount

A bar chart will help determine average number of trips per month, weekday, weekend, etc.

4.4 paCe: Construct Stage

Consider these questions [link PACE Strategy Doc] to reflect on the Constructing stage of this task.

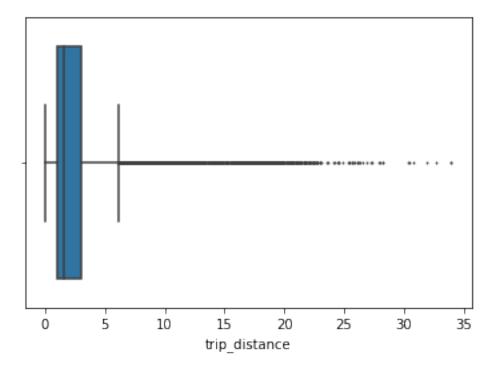
4.5 Step 3. Building visualizations

You've assessed your data, and decided on which data variables are most applicable. It's time to plot your visualization(s)!

4.5.1 Boxplots

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[10]: sns.boxplot(x=df['trip_distance'], fliersize=1)
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[10]: <matplotlib.axes._subplots.AxesSubplot at 0x7f35ae872ad0>



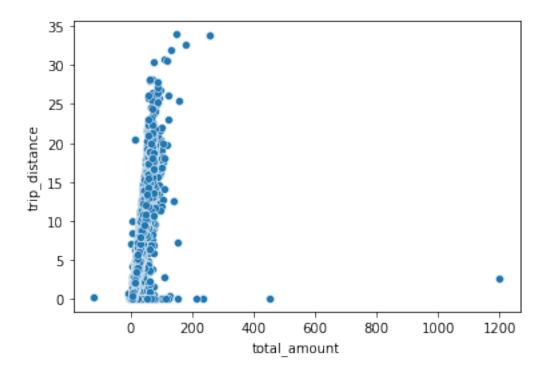
4.5.2 Scatter plot

Remove those trips with costs associated but with a trip distance = to "0."

```
[11]: df_2= df['trip_distance'].loc[~(df==0).all(axis=1)]
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[12]: sns.scatterplot(x=df['total_amount'],y=df_2)

[12]: <matplotlib.axes._subplots.AxesSubplot at 0x7f35ae7e0e50>

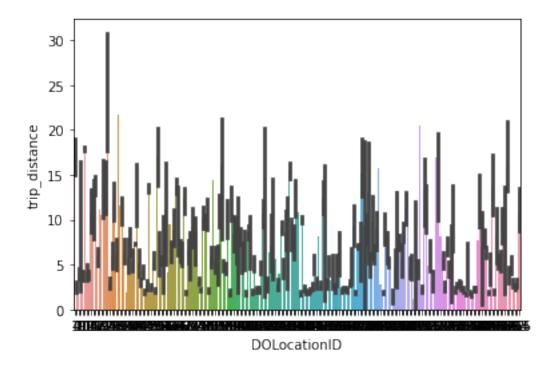


You can do a scatterplot in Tableau Public as well, which can be easier to manipulate and present. If you'd like step by step instructions, you can review the following link:

Tableau visualization guidelines

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df.groupby('DOLocationID')['trip_distance'].mean()
[13]:
[13]: DOLocationID
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      sns.barplot(data=df, x=df['DOLocationID'], y=df['trip_distance'])
[21]:
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[21]: <matplotlib.axes._subplots.AxesSubplot at 0x7f35aa2c1e90>



4.6 pacE: Execute Stage

Consider the questions in the Execute section of the PACE strategy document to reflect on the Execute stage of this task.

4.7 Step 4a. Results and Evaluation

Having built visualizations in Tableau and in Python, what have you learned about the dataset? What other questions have your visualizations uncovered that you should pursue?

Pro tip: Put yourself in your client's perspective, what would they want to know?

Use the following code fields to pursue any additional EDA based on the visualizations you've laready plotted. Also use the space to make sure your visualizations are clean, easily understandable, and accessible.

Ask yourself: Did you consider color, contrast, emphasis, and labeling?

I have learned how the step of removing outliers and nonsense values is essential to obtain accurate results in a project

My client would likely want to know the reason why I deleted the outliers and the benefits of applying cleanning methods to the data frame.

[22]: df['trip_duration'] = (df['tpep_dropoff_datetime']-df['tpep_pickup_datetime'])

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[23]: df.head(10)
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4.8 Step 4b. Conclusion

Make it professional and presentable

You have visualized the data you need to share with the director now. Remember, the goal of a data visualization is for an audience member to glean the information on the chart in mere seconds.

Questions to ask yourself for reflection: Why is it important to conduct Exploratory Data Analysis? Why would we need to create a visual map of the NYC Taxi rides? Why would this be useful?

EDA is important because it improves the future development of the predictive model.

Visualizations helped me understand the distribution of the data and values that negatively affects the structure of the database, additionally, they made me realize of the missing values.