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Lessons on Data Analysis from CERN

Lecture 2

Introduction to Data Analysis

What is Data Analysis?

* What is **Data**?

interactive exercise

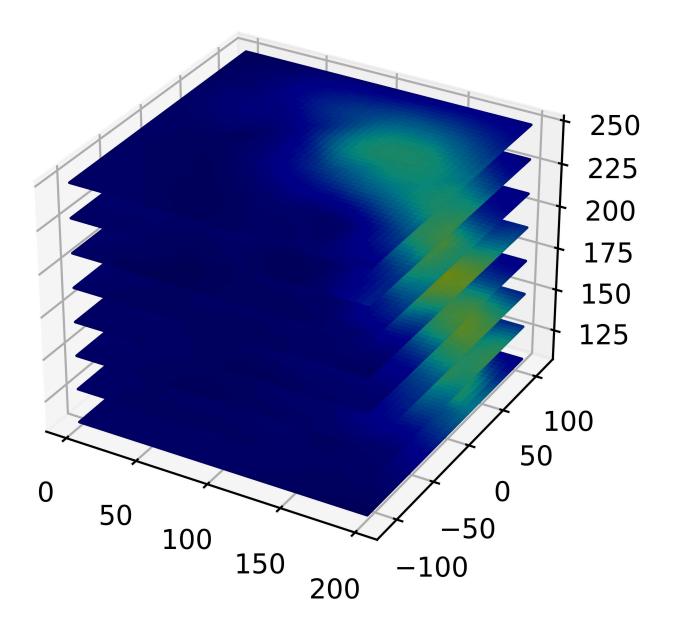
Data analysis is a process of inspecting, cleaning, transforming, and modeling data with the goal of discovering useful information, informing conclusions, and supporting decision-making.

Wikipedia

What is Data Science?

Data science is an interdisciplinary academic field that uses statistics, scientific computing, scientific methods, processing, scientific visualization, algorithms and systems to extract or extrapolate knowledge and insights from potentially noisy, structured, or unstructured data.

Wikipedia



Key Ideas

- Any experiment (study or analysis) in any field of science will have a data analysis component
- Normally, the results of data analysis appear in scientific publications*

[&]quot;...lacking excellence..."

[&]quot;...aimed at serving the industry..."

Examples of significance of data analysis in different fields of science and beyond

Bio medicine and Genomics

- Genome Sequencing
- Clinical Trials
- * 23andMe anyone (ancestry services)?
- ** comparing against *reference populations*

Environmental Sciences

- Climate Change Models
- Pollution Monitoring
- Biodiversity Studies

^{*} again a living analysis

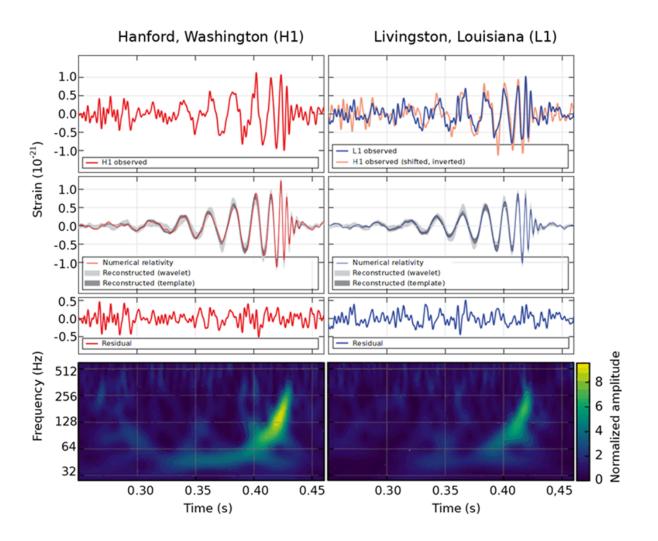
Social Sciences

- Economic Forecasting
- Social Behavior Studies

^{*} may be qualitative analysis

Astronomy

- Observational Data Analysis
- Gravitational Waves



Engineering

- Predictive Maintenance
- Quality Control
- Structural Health Monitoring

Healthcare

- Epidemiology
- Health Policy

Finance

- Stock Market Analysis
- Risk Management
- Algorithmic Trading

Sports Analytics

- Performance Analysis
- Fan Engagement

Steps of Data Analysis

1. Define the Problem or Research Question

- Formulation
- Experimental Design

* This might steer the choices in the following steps

Interactive exercise

2. Collect Data

- How much data do you need?
- What sort of data do you need?
- What data formats should you chose?

3. Clean Data

- Data Selection
- Data Stripping
- Data Skimming
- Data Wrangling

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4. Analyze Data

- Data Exploration
- Statistical Analysis
- Model Building
- Machine Learning
- Classification (...Al...)

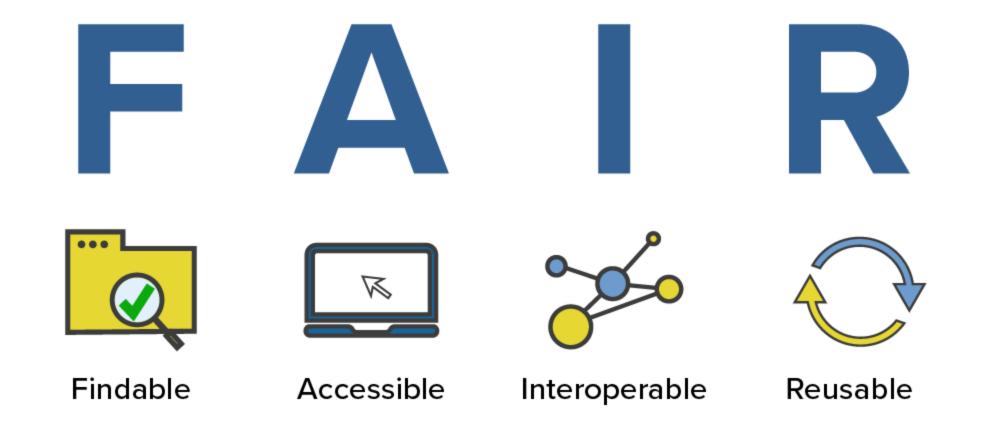
5. Visualize the data

- What's your target audience?
- What is the message you want to convey?

6. Interpret and report the results

- Draw Conclusions from Data
- Report Findings

Data Hygiene



The first step in (re)using data is to find them.

Metadata and data should be easy to find for both humans and computers. Machine-readable metadata are essential for automatic discovery of datasets and services, so this is an essential component of the FAIRification process.

Findable data

- F1. (Meta)data are assigned a globally unique and persistent identifier
- F2. Data are described with rich metadata
- F3. Metadata clearly and explicitly include the identifier of the data they describe
- F4. (Meta)data are registered or indexed in a searchable resource

Accessible data

- A1. (Meta)data are retrievable by their identifier using a standardised communications protocol
 - A1.1 The protocol is open, free, and universally implementable
 - A1.2 The protocol allows for an authentication and authorisation procedure, where necessary
- A2. Metadata are accessible, even when the data are no longer available

Interoperable data

- I1. (Meta)data use a formal, accessible, shared, and broadly applicable language for knowledge representation.
- I2. (Meta)data use vocabularies that follow FAIR principles
- 13. (Meta)data include qualified references to other (meta)data

Reusable data

- R1. (Meta)data are richly described with a plurality of accurate and relevant attributes
 - R1.1. (Meta)data are released with a clear and accessible data usage license
 - R1.2. (Meta)data are associated with detailed provenance
 - R1.3. (Meta)data meet domain-relevant community standards

Examples of Tools used for Data Analysis

Proprietary Software







Programming Languages





Proprietary Tools

- Expensive
- Limited in scope
- Lack compatibility
- Lack flexibility
- Easy to learn / use (GUI)

Programming Languages

- Open Source
- Free
- Powerful
- Steep learning curve (CLI)

Discussion

- When to use proprietary tools?
- What should you be using?
- saturation of achieved proficiency

Project Ideas

Something Useful to you

Seminar

Introduction to Python

Naming Conventions for Variables

Single lowercase letter

a

h

C

Never use I (lima)

Single Uppercase letter

A

B

C

Never use O (oscar) or I (india)

lowercase

- velocity
- temperature
- total

lower_case_with_underscores

- user_age
- file_name
- calculate_total

UPPERCASE

- PI = 3.14159
- MAX_SIZE = 100
- DEFAULT_TIMEOUT = 30
- DEBUG_MODE = True

UPPER_CASE_WITH_UNDERSCORES

- DEFAULT_USER_ROLE = "guest"
- CONNECTION_TIMEOUT_LIMIT = 60
- MAX_BUFFER_SIZE = 1024

CamelCase

- DataProcessor
- HTTPRequestHandler
- XMLParser

^{*} Acronyms are capitalized

mixedCase

- fileReader
- isEnabled
- getValue

Python as a Calculator

1: Basic Arithmetic Operations

Try these calculations in the Python terminal:

- Calculate the sum of 25 and 75.
- Subtract 150 from 300.
- Multiply 12 by 15.
- Divide 144 by 12.

2: Order of Operations

Evaluate the following expressions, keeping the order of operations in mind:

- 10 + 20 * 5
- (8 + 4) * (6 2)
- 10**3 3 * 5 + 1

3: Floating-Point Arithmetic

Explore floating-point arithmetic:

- Divide 7 by 3 and observe the result.
- Compute 22 / 7 and compare it to 22 // 7.
- Multiply 5.5 by 2.3.

4: Power and Modulus Operations

Practice power and modulus calculations:

- Find 2**8 (2 raised to the power of 8).
- Compute 17 % 5 to find the remainder.

5: Using _ for Last Result

Use the underscore (_) to refer to the last result:

- 1. Perform 45 + 55.
- 2. Multiply the last result (_) by 2.
- 3. Subtract 50 from the previous result using _ .

6: Variable Assignments

Assign values to variables and perform calculations:

- Assign x = 50, then calculate x * 2.
- Set a = 10 and b = 25, then find the sum of a and b.
- Change a to 15 and calculate a * b.

7: String Operations

Experiment with string operations:

- Concatenate "Hello" and " World!".
- Repeat "Python!" three times.
- Find the length of the string "Learning Python".

8: Variables in String Operations

Manipulate strings using variables:

- Assign name = "Alice" . Create the greeting: "Hello, Alice!" .
- Set word = "Python" . Check the result of word * 5 .

9: String Slicing and Indexing

Try string slicing and indexing:

- Assign text = "Python Programming". Extract the first 6 characters.
- Get the last character of text.
- Slice to get "Programming" from text .

10: Basic Mathematical Expressions

Solve these simple mathematical problems:

- Calculate the area of a circle with radius 7 using $\pi \approx 3.14$ (area = π * radius**2).
- Compute the square root of 144 using the power operator.

We have just used CLI - Command Line Interface