

Python Programming

Assignment 1 – 20%

Deadline: 17th October 2024

I. (4 points)

Write a Python program to collect footballer player statistical data with the following requirements:

- Collect statistical data [*] for all players who have played more than 90 minutes in the 2023-2024 English Premier League season.
- Data source: <https://fbref.com/en/>
- Save the result to a file named 'results.csv', where the result table has the following structure:
 - Each column corresponds to a statistic.
 - Players are sorted alphabetically by their first name. If there is a name tie, sort them by age from oldest to youngest.
 - Any statistic that is unavailable or inapplicable should be marked as "N/a".
- [*] The required statistics are:
 - **Nation**
 - **Team**
 - **Position**
 - **Age**
 - **Playing Time:** matches played, starts, minutes
 - **Performance:** non-penalty goals, penalty goals, assists, yellow cards, red cards
 - **Expected:** xG, npxG, xAG
 - **Progression:** PrgC, PrgP, PrgR
 - **Per 90 minutes:** Gls, Ast, G+A, G-PK, G+A-PK, xG, xAG, xG + xAG, npxG, npxG + xAG
 - **Goalkeeping:**
 - Performance: GA, GA90, SoTA, Saves, Save%, W, D, L, CS, CS%
 - Penalty Kicks: PKatt, PKA, PKsv, PKm, Save%
 - **Shooting:**
 - Standard: Gls, Sh, SoT, SoT%, Sh/90, SoT/90, G/Sh, G/SoT, Dist, FK, PK, PKatt
 - Expected: xG, npxG, npxG/Sh, G-xG, np
 - **Passing:**
 - Total: Cmp, Att, Cmp%, TotDist, PrgDist
 - Short: Cmp, Att, Cmp%
 - Medium: Cmp, Att, Cmp%
 - Long: Cmp, Att, Cmp%
 - Expected: Ast, xAG, xA, A-xAG, KP, 1/3, PPA, CrsPA, PrgP
 - **Pass Types:**
 - Pass Types: Live, Dead, FK, TB, Sw, Crs, TI, CK
 - Corner Kicks: In, Out, Str

- Outcomes: Cmp, Off, Blocks
- **Goal and Shot Creation:**
 - SCA: SCA, SCA90
 - SCA Types: PassLive, PassDead, TO, Sh, Fld, Def
 - GCA: GCA, GCA90
 - GCA Types: PassLive, PassDead, TO, Sh, Fld, Def
- **Defensive Actions:**
 - Tackles: Tkl, TklW, Def 3rd, Mid 3rd, Att 3rd
 - Challenges: Tkl, Att, Tkl%, Lost
 - Blocks: Blocks, Sh, Pass, Int, Tkl + Int, Clr, Err
- **Possession:**
 - Touches: Touches, Def Pen, Def 3rd, Mid 3rd, Att 3rd, Att Pen, Live
 - Take-Ons: Att, Succ, Succ%, Tkld, Tkld%
 - Carries: Carries, TotDist, ProDist, ProgC, 1/3, CPA, Mis, Dis
 - Receiving: Rec, PrgR
- **Playing Time:**
 - Starts: Starts, Mn/Start, Compl
 - Subs: Subs, Mn/Sub, unSub
 - Team Success: PPM, onG, onGA
 - Team Success xG: onxG, onxGA
- **Miscellaneous Stats:**
 - Performance: Fls, Fld, Off, Crs, OG, Recov
 - Aerial Duels: Won, Lost, Won%
- Reference: <https://fbref.com/en/squads/822bd0ba/2023-2024/en/squads/822bd0ba/2023-2024/Liverpool-Stats>

II. (2 points)

- Identify the top 3 players with the highest and lowest scores for each statistic.
- Find the median for each statistic. Calculate the mean and standard deviation for each statistic across all players and for each team. Save the results to a file named 'results2.csv' with the following format:

		Median of Attribute 1	Mean of Attribute 1	Std of Attribute 1
0	all					
1	Team 1					
...						
n	Team n					

- Plot a histogram showing the distribution of each statistic for all players and each team.
- Identify the team with the highest scores for each statistic. Based on your analysis, which team do you think is performing the best in the 2023-2024 Premier League season?
- Histogram Plot: https://matplotlib.org/stable/api/as_gen/matplotlib.pyplot.hist.html

III. (3 points)

- Use the K-means algorithm to classify players into groups based on their similar statistics.
- How many groups should the players be classified into? Why? Provide your comments on the results.
- Use PCA to reduce the data dimensions to 2, then plot a 2D cluster of the data points.
- Write a Python program to draw a radar chart comparing two players with the following inputs:
 - `python radarChartPlot.py --p1 <player Name 1> --p2 <player Name 2> --Attribute <att1, att2, ..., att_n>`
 - `--p1`: The name of the first player
 - `--p2`: The name of the second player
 - `--Attribute`: The list of statistics to be compared
 - Radar chart: https://matplotlib.org/stable/gallery/specialty_plots/radar_chart.html

IV. (1 point)

- Collect player transfer values for the 2023-2024 season from <https://www.footballtransfers.com>.
- Propose a method for estimating player values.

Submission Instructions:

- The submission should include Python code.
- A report (.pdf).
- Submission details will be announced later.