```
In [1]: 1 import pandas as pd
2 import numpy as np
3 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
4 from datetime import datetime, date, time, timedelta
5 import os
6 import pandas as pd
7 import seaborn as sns
8 import folium
9 from scipy.stats import ks_2samp
10 %matplotlib inline
11 %config InlineBackend.figure_format = 'retina' # Higher resolution figures
```

Power Outages

Getting the Data

The data is downloadable <u>here (https://engineering.purdue.edu/LASCI/research-data/outages/outagerisks).</u>

A data dictionary is available at this article

(https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S2352340918307182) under *Table 1. Variable descriptions*.

This project uses major power outage data in the continental U.S. from January 2000 to July 2016. Here, a major power outage is defined as a power outage that impacted at least 50,000 customers or caused an unplanned firm load loss of atleast 300MW. Interesting questions to consider include:

- 1. Where and when do major power outages tend to occur?
- 2. What are the characteristics of major power outages with higher severity? Variables to consider include location, time, climate, land-use characteristics, electricity consumption patterns, economic characteristics, etc. What risk factors may an energy company want to look into when predicting the location and severity of its next major power outage?
- 3. What characteristics are associated with each category of cause?
- 4. How have characteristics of major power outages changed over time? Is there a clear trend?

Summary of Findings

Introduction

The power outage dataset includes 1534 observations of 55 variables on power outages that have occurred in the U.S. from January 2000 to July 2016. The variables include data about an outage's general information, the affected region's climate information, outage event information, regional electricity consumption, regional economic characteristics, and regional land-use characteristics. In this project, I will be investigating when and where major power outages occur and if certain

climate patterns affect the likelihood of having major power outages. The variable types I'm most interested in with my analysis will be the general information, event information, climate region information, as well as some electricity consumption information.

Cleaning

To complete the cleaning, I will first read the csv into a pandas dataframe, filter it out to only include major outage entries, and combine the date and time columns into single datetime columns. This will allow me to conduct my analysis much easier, since I have access to so many tools and functions with pandas that otherwise are not available to me through excel. Additionally, it leaves only the data I'm interested in analyzing since I'm including only the outages that meet the criteria of major outages. Lastly, combining columns reduces redundencies in the dataset and can potentially streamline some analysis by allowing me to call a single column of datetime objects rather two columns with date and time separately.

EDA

I will perform EDA by mapping outages across the country by state and severity in addition to looking at the different causes of outages and how often they occur, what season outages are most likely to occur in, what climate category the affected regions are, and what consumption patterns look like for affected areas. Altogether, this will provide me with a better idea of what factors lead up to a major power outage and can potentially inform us of what to focus on to prevent future outages.

Assessment of Missingness

For this section, I chose to assess the missingness of the OUTAGE.START column, which represents the combined columns of OUTAGE.START.DATE and OUTAGE.START.TIME. We begin our evaluation by determining whether or not the variable is Not Missing at Random (NMAR), which from domain knowledge and the provided writeup for the dataset, we have no reason to believe that the missing value has anything to do with the actual date or time that the outage began. This assumption allows us to proceed with our analysis. The next test is for Missingness at Random (MAR), which means we must plot the distributions and check if they look the same whether or not we have missing values. Below, I will plot the distributions of several of the columns and their relationships with OUTAGE.START's missingness.

Using an alpha value of 0.05 and p-value of 0.139 (TVD), we fail to reject the null hypothesis that POSTAL.CODE and OUTAGE.START come from the same distribution. This means that despite the seemingly large difference in the plots, the POSTAL.CODE (state the outage occurred in) does not have an effect on the missingness of OUTAGE.START.

Using an alpha value of 0.05 and p-value of 0.989 (Kolmogorov-Smirnov), we fail to reject the null hypothesis that SEVERITY (variable created by putting total demand lost into 4 quartiles) and OUTAGE.START come from the same distribution. This means that despite the seemingly large difference in the plots, the severity of the outage does not have an effect on the missingness of OUTAGE.START.

Using an alpha value of 0.05 and p-value of 0.034 (Kolmogorov-Smirnov), we reject the null hypothesis that POPULATION and START.ISNULL come from the same distribution. This means that the population of the affected area has an effect on the missingness of OUTAGE.START; using our above plot, we can see that areas with smaller populations are much more likely to have missing information.

Having found another column that does influence the missingness of START, but not the actual missing value, we can conclude that this variable is MAR.

Hypothesis Test

I will conduct a hypothesis test comparing the distribution of power outages for all four seasons.

The null hypothesis is that the distributions of power outages in the Summer is the same as that of Winter, Spring, and Fall. The alternative hypothesis is that the distribution of power outages in the Summer is unequal to that of Winter, Spring, and Fall.

The test statistic being used to measure this will be number of times a simulated outage occurs in the summer. TVD would also work, as the SEASON variable is categorical despite its numeric representation, but this is the simplest test statistic to use. If we were to use TVD, the null distribution would just be all 0.25's. The distribution under the null means that there's an equal probability for an outage to occur in any given season, meaning that the probability for an outage to occur in any of the four seasons should be 0.25.

Using a significance level of 0.05 and p-value of 0.0 across 10000 simulations, we reject the null hypothesis that the distribution of power outages is equal across all seasons. We see that the observed number of outages in the Summer greatly surpasses that of all other seasons.

CODE

Cleaning and EDA

- Note that the data is given as an Excel file rather than a CSV. Open the data in Excel or another spreadsheet application and determine which rows and columns of the Excel spreadsheet should be ignored when loading the data in pandas.
- Clean the data.
 - The power outage start date and time is given by OUTAGE.START.DATE and OUTAGE.START.TIME. It would be preferable if these two columns were combined into one datetime column. Combine OUTAGE.START.DATE and OUTAGE.START.TIME into a new datetime column called OUTAGE.START. Similarly, combine OUTAGE.RESTORATION.DATE and OUTAGE.RESTORATION.TIME into a new datetime column called OUTAGE.RESTORATION.
- Understand the data in ways relevant to your question using univariate and bivariate analysis
 of the data as well as aggregations.

Hint 1: pandas can load multiple filetypes: pd.read_csv, pd.read_excel, pd.read_html, pd.read_json, etc.

Hint 2: pd.to datetime and pd.to timedelta will be useful here.

Tip: To visualize geospatial data, consider <u>Folium (https://python-visualization.github.io/folium/)</u> or another geospatial plotting library.

```
In [2]:
            # load csv into pandas dataframe, skipping the first 4 rows, as they include
            load = pd.read excel('outage.xlsx',skiprows=range(4))
            # drop the first column, since it's mostly for formatting
          5
            load = load.drop('Unnamed: 0',axis=1)
          6
            # drop the index column and replace it with the "OBS" column, as they both a
          7
            df = load.rename(columns=load.iloc[0]).drop([0,1]).reset index().drop('index
          9
            df = df.set index('OBS')
         10
         11
            print(df.shape[0])
            df.head()
         12
```

<ipython-input-2-c98a71dff7b2>:2: FutureWarning: Your version of xlrd is 1.2.0.
In xlrd >= 2.0, only the xls format is supported. As a result, the openpyxl eng ine will be used if it is installed and the engine argument is not specified. I nstall openpyxl instead.

load = pd.read_excel('outage.xlsx',skiprows=range(4))

1534

Out[2]:

YEAR MONTH U.S._STATE POSTAL.CODE NERC.REGION CLIMATE.REGION ANOMALY.LE\

| 011 7 | Minnesota | MN | MRO | East North Central | |
|--------|--------------------------|--|---|---|--|
| 014 5 | Minnesota | MN | MRO | East North Central | |
| 010 10 | Minnesota | MN | MRO | East North Central | |
| 012 6 | Minnesota | MN | MRO | East North Central | |
| 015 7 | Minnesota | MN | MRO | East North Central | |
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5 rows × 55 columns

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In [4]: 1 # combine the date and time columns for OUTAGE.START by setting them to data
2 # Convert datetime.time object to str then timedelta
3 # Add date with new timedelta object, then reformat it to pandas.datetime object, then reform
```

<ipython-input-4-2bf43c717aa8>:4: SettingWithCopyWarning:
A value is trying to be set on a copy of a slice from a DataFrame.
Try using .loc[row indexer,col indexer] = value instead

See the caveats in the documentation: https://pandas.pydata.org/pandas-docs/stable/user_guide/indexing.html#returning-a-view-versus-a-copy (https://pandas.pydata.org/pandas-docs/stable/user_guide/indexing.html#returning-a-view-versus-a-copy)

major_df['OUTAGE.START'] = pd.to_datetime(major_df['OUTAGE.START.DATE']) + p
d.to_timedelta(major_df['OUTAGE.START.TIME'].astype(str))

/opt/conda/lib/python3.8/site-packages/pandas/core/frame.py:4305: SettingWithCo pyWarning:

A value is trying to be set on a copy of a slice from a DataFrame

See the caveats in the documentation: https://pandas.pydata.org/pandas-docs/stable/user_guide/indexing.html#returning-a-view-versus-a-copy (https://pandas.pydata.org/pandas-docs/stable/user_guide/indexing.html#returning-a-view-versus-a-copy)

return super().drop(

<ipython-input-5-0c542dd14c8f>:2: SettingWithCopyWarning:
A value is trying to be set on a copy of a slice from a DataFrame.
Try using .loc[row_indexer,col_indexer] = value instead

See the caveats in the documentation: https://pandas.pydata.org/pandas-docs/stable/user_guide/indexing.html#returning-a-view-versus-a-copy (https://pandas.pydata.org/pandas-docs/stable/user_guide/indexing.html#returning-a-view-versus-a-copy)

major_df['OUTAGE.RESTORATION'] = pd.to_datetime(major_df['OUTAGE.RESTORATION.
DATE']) + pd.to_timedelta(major_df['OUTAGE.RESTORATION.TIME'].astype(str))

In [6]: 1 print(major_df.shape[0])
2 major_df.head()

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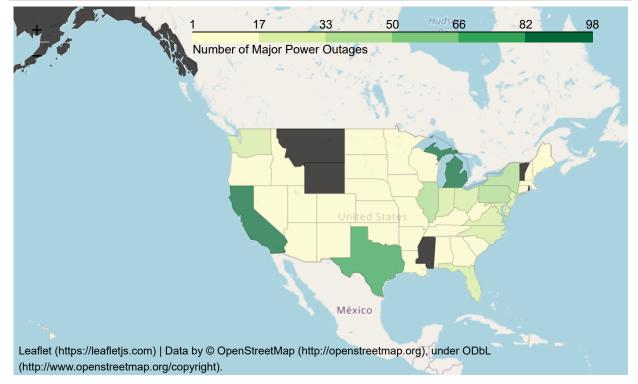
Out[6]:

| | YEAR | MONTH | U.SSTATE | POSTAL.CODE | NERC.REGION | CLIMATE.REGION | ANOMALY.LE\ | | | |
|---------------------|------|-------|-----------|-------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------|--|--|--|
| OBS | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | 2011 | 7 | Minnesota | MN | MRO | East North Central | | | | |
| 3 | 2010 | 10 | Minnesota | MN | MRO | East North Central | | | | |
| 4 | 2012 | 6 | Minnesota | MN | MRO | East North Central | | | | |
| 5 | 2015 | 7 | Minnesota | MN | MRO | East North Central | | | | |
| 6 | 2010 | 11 | Minnesota | MN | MRO | East North Central | | | | |
| 5 rows × 53 columns | | | | | | | | | | |
| 4 | | | | | | | > | | | |

To explore which states experience the most outages, I mapped the data and found that most of these outages occur in states with large populations or states with a large proportion of their populations in urban areas. To follow this up, I also wanted to see where the worst outages, where the most sales were lost, were most likely to occur.

```
In [7]:
             latitude = 25.0902
             longitude = -75.7129
          2
             US map = folium.Map(location=[latitude, longitude], zoom start=3)
          3
          4
             counts = counts = major_df['POSTAL.CODE'].value_counts().to_frame().reset_in
          5
          6
             #counts = (major_df['POSTAL.CODE'].value_counts() / major_df.shape[0]).reset
          7
          8
                 "https://raw.githubusercontent.com/python-visualization/folium/master/ex
          9
             state_geo = f"{url}/us-states.json"
         10
         11
         12
             folium.Choropleth(geo_data=state_geo,
                               name="choropleth",
         13
         14
                               data=counts,
                               columns=['index','POSTAL.CODE'],
         15
         16
                               key_on="feature.id",
                               fill color="YlGn",
         17
         18
                               fill_opacity=0.7,
         19
                               line opacity=.1,
                               legend name="Number of Major Power Outages").add to(US map
         20
         21
             folium.LayerControl().add to(US map)
         22
             # dark grey states below are states that have no recorded major power outage
         23
         24
             US_map
```

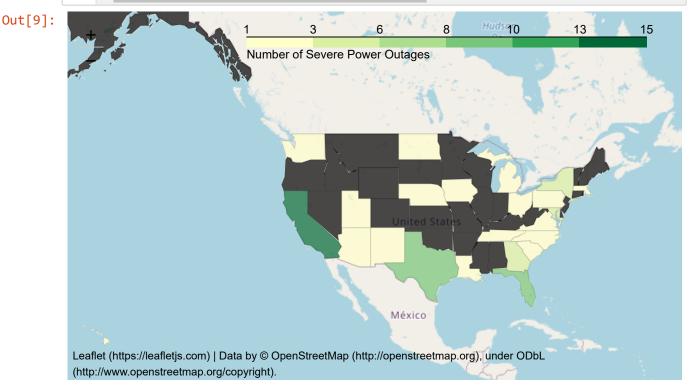




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In [8]:
          1 | # create an additional column that cuts this into 4 quartiles, depending on
          2 major_df['SEVERITY'] = pd.qcut(major_df['DEMAND.LOSS.MW'], 4, labels=False)
            major_df['SEVERITY'].value_counts()
        <ipython-input-8-3de49a0ff5ad>:2: SettingWithCopyWarning:
        A value is trying to be set on a copy of a slice from a DataFrame.
        Try using .loc[row indexer,col indexer] = value instead
        See the caveats in the documentation: https://pandas.pydata.org/pandas-docs/sta
        ble/user_guide/indexing.html#returning-a-view-versus-a-copy (https://pandas.pyd
        ata.org/pandas-docs/stable/user_guide/indexing.html#returning-a-view-versus-a-c
          major df['SEVERITY'] = pd.qcut(major df['DEMAND.LOSS.MW'], 4, labels=False)
Out[8]: 0.0
               244
        1.0
                83
                75
        3.0
        2.0
                65
```

Name: SEVERITY, dtype: int64

```
In [9]:
             latitude = 25.0902
             longitude = -75.7129
          2
          3
             US_map = folium.Map(location=[latitude, longitude], zoom_start=3)
          4
             url = (
                 "https://raw.githubusercontent.com/python-visualization/folium/master/ex
          5
          6
          7
             state geo = f"{url}/us-states.json"
          8
             counts = counts = major_df.loc[major_df['SEVERITY'] >= 3]['POSTAL.CODE'].val
          9
         10
         11
             folium.Choropleth(geo_data=state_geo,
                               name="choropleth",
         12
         13
                               data=counts,
                               columns=['index','POSTAL.CODE'],
         14
         15
                               key on="feature.id",
         16
                               fill_color="YlGn",
         17
                               fill opacity=0.7,
         18
                               line_opacity=.1,
         19
                               legend_name="Number of Severe Power Outages").add_to(US_ma
         20
             folium.LayerControl().add to(US map)
         21
         22
             # dark grey states below are states that have no recorded major power outage
         23
             US_map
```



Knowing where these outages occur the most and where the most severe outages occur, let's explore when they occur.

It seems like there's a jump in major outages in Summer, which is likely due to more extreme weather conditions and larger storms.

Now that we know when most of these outages occur, let's explore a bit about what causes them.

```
In [12]:
              major df['CAUSE.CATEGORY'].value counts()
Out[12]: severe weather
                                            683
         system operability disruption
                                             74
         equipment failure
                                             26
         fuel supply emergency
                                             12
         public appeal
                                              5
                                              5
         intentional attack
                                              2
         islanding
         Name: CAUSE.CATEGORY, dtype: int64
```

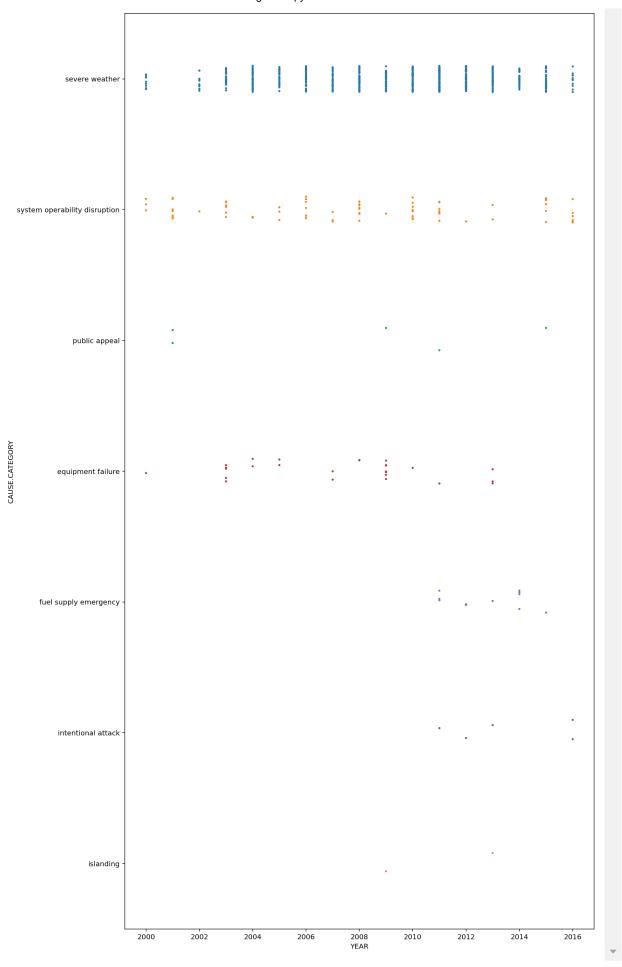
```
In [13]:
              major df.loc[major df['CAUSE.CATEGORY'] == 'severe weather']['CAUSE.CATEGORY']
Out[13]: thunderstorm
                                       171
          winter storm
                                        94
                                        70
          hurricanes
                                        60
          heavy wind
          storm
                                        39
          wildfire
                                        16
          snow/ice
                                        13
          wind/rain
                                        12
          winter
                                         7
                                         7
          tornadoes
          wind storm
                                         6
          heatwave
                                         4
                                         3
          earthquake
          hailstorm
                                         3
          wind
                                         3
          lightning
                                         2
          snow/ice storm
                                         1
          uncontrolled loss
                                         1
          flooding
                                         1
          thunderstorm; islanding
                                         1
          fog
          Name: CAUSE.CATEGORY.DETAIL, dtype: int64
In [14]:
              major df['CLIMATE.CATEGORY'].value counts()
Out[14]:
         normal
                     388
          cold
                     245
          warm
                     170
```

The overwhelming majority of these outages are all due to severe weather conditions, caused by storms and heavy winds. Surprisingly, when looking into the climate category of the affected regions, most of them are considered normal or temperate. When I saw that severe weather conditions caused most of these outages, I suspected most of the regions to be especially hot or cold. This may mean that some of these power plants are ill-equipped to deal with severe weather patterns, similar to what happened in Texas earlier this year.

Name: CLIMATE.CATEGORY, dtype: int64

```
1 major_df['YEAR'].value_counts(sort=False)
In [16]:
Out[16]: 2014.0
                     34
          2005.0
                     44
          2001.0
                     10
          2012.0
                     66
          2007.0
                     41
          2009.0
                     50
          2016.0
                     19
          2010.0
                     69
          2013.0
                     53
          2002.0
                     12
          2008.0
                     83
          2004.0
                     50
                     40
          2003.0
          2015.0
                     49
          2011.0
                    113
          2000.0
                     13
                     57
          2006.0
          Name: YEAR, dtype: int64
```

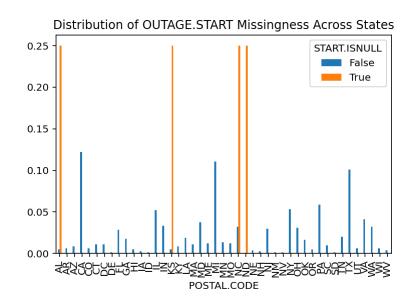
Out[17]: <AxesSubplot:xlabel='YEAR', ylabel='CAUSE.CATEGORY'>



Assessment of Missingness

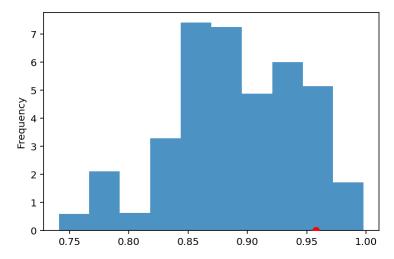
· Assess the missingness of a column that is not missing by design.

Testing Postal Code

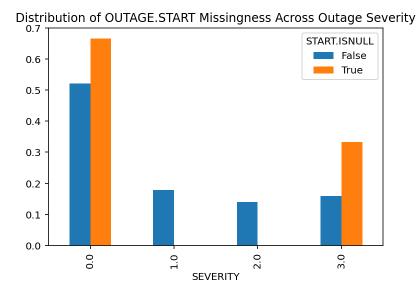


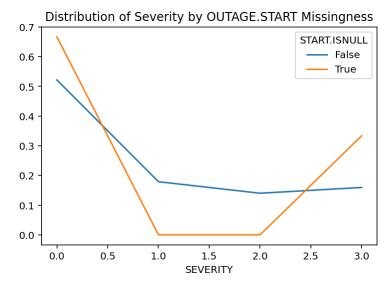
```
In [20]:
              #Use tvd as test statistic, since postal code is a categorical variable
              # calculate observed test statistic
           3
              observed_tvd = np.sum(np.abs(emp_distr.diff(axis=1).iloc[:,-1])) / 2
              observed tvd
           4
           5
           6
             # compute sample test statistic from permutations of the dataset to test nul
              n repetitions = 1000
           7
             df pc start = major df.copy()[['POSTAL.CODE', 'START.ISNULL']]
           9
              tvds = []
              for _ in range(n_repetitions):
          10
          11
          12
                  # shuffle the colors
          13
                  shuffled pc = (
                      df pc start['POSTAL.CODE']
          14
          15
                      .sample(replace=False, frac=1)
          16
                      .reset index(drop=True)
          17
                  )
          18
          19
                  # put them in a table
                  shuffled = (
          20
          21
                      df pc start
          22
                      .assign(**{'Shuffled Postal Code': shuffled_pc})
          23
                  )
          24
                  # compute the tvd
          25
          26
                  shuffed emp distributions = (
          27
                      shuffled
          28
                      .pivot_table(columns='START.ISNULL', index='Shuffled Postal Code', v
          29
                      .fillna(0)
          30
                      .apply(lambda x:x/x.sum())
          31
                  )
          32
          33
                  tvd = np.sum(np.abs(shuffed emp distributions.diff(axis=1).iloc[:,-1]))
          34
                  # add it to the list of results
          35
          36
                  tvds.append(tvd)
```

```
In [21]: 1 pd.Series(tvds).plot(kind='hist', density=True, alpha=0.8)
2 plt.scatter(observed_tvd, 0, color='red', s=40, zorder=10);
```



Testing Severity

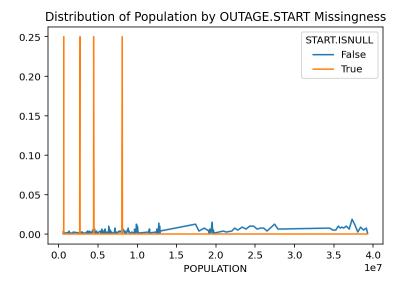




Out[25]: KstestResult(statistic=0.19863013698630136, pvalue=0.9889470357509832)

Testing Population

```
In [26]:
           1
              # Plot the distribution, do the different groups show drastically different
           2
              (
           3
                  major df
           4
                  .pivot table(index='POPULATION',columns='START.ISNULL',values=None,aggfu
           5
                  .fillna(0)
           6
                  .apply(lambda x : x / x.sum())
           7
                  .plot(title="Distribution of Population by OUTAGE.START Missingness")
           8
              );
```



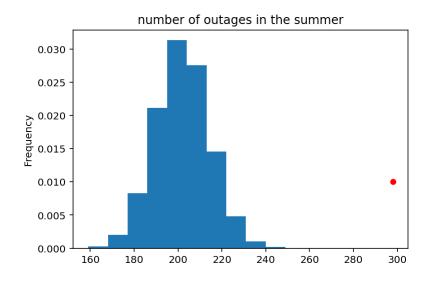
Out[27]: KstestResult(statistic=0.6537982565379825, pvalue=0.0343276021713711)

Hypothesis Test

Find a hypothesis test to perform. You can use the questions at the top of the notebook for inspiration.

```
In [30]: 1 N = 10000
    results = []
    for _ in range(N):
        simulation = np.random.choice(['winter', 'spring', 'summer', 'fall'], p=[0.
        sim_summer = (simulation == 'summer').sum() #test statistic
        results.append(sim_summer)
```

Out[31]: <matplotlib.collections.PathCollection at 0x7f23726b7be0>



```
In [32]: 1 (pd.Series(results) >= obs).mean()
```

Out[32]: 0.0