

Level 1: Foundations of Data Analysis

Scope: Python, Numpy, Pandas, Matplotlib, Seaborn, Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA), Descriptive Statistics.

Scenario: You've just been hired as a junior data analyst for "**FitLife**", a company that sells fitness apparel and accessories online. You've been given a dataset (fitlife_sales.csv) containing sales data for the last quarter. Your first task is to perform an initial exploratory analysis to uncover basic insights.

Hypothetical Dataset Columns:

- OrderID (string)
 - ProductID (string)
 - Product (string: e.g., 'Yoga Mat', 'Running Shoes')
 - Category (string: 'Apparel', 'Equipment', 'Accessories')
 - Price_USD (float)
 - Units_Sold (integer)
 - Order_Date (string: format 'YYYY-MM-DD')
 - Customer_ID (string)
 - Customer_Age (integer)
 - Customer_Gender (string: 'Male', 'Female', 'Non-binary')
 - Region (string: 'North', 'South', 'East', 'West')
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Conceptual Question (1)

1. **The Role of a Data Analyst:** Explain the difference between **Descriptive Statistics** and **Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA)**. While they are related, what unique purpose does each serve in a data analysis project? How would you use Pandas for descriptive statistics and Seaborn for EDA?
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Practical Questions (10)

For these questions, assume you have a file named fitlife_sales.csv that you will load into a Pandas DataFrame.

1. **Data Loading & Initial Inspection:** Load the fitlife_sales.csv dataset into a Pandas DataFrame called df. Display its first 5 rows, check the data types of each column, and

- get a count of non-null values for all columns.
2. **Data Cleaning & Type Conversion:** The `Order_Date` column is currently a string. Convert it to a proper datetime format. Afterwards, report the earliest and latest order dates in the dataset.
 3. **Feature Engineering:** Create a new column called `Total_Revenue` which is the result of multiplying `Price_USD` by `Units_Sold`.
 4. **Descriptive Statistics:** Calculate the **mean**, **median**, and **standard deviation** for the `Customer_Age` and `Total_Revenue` columns. What can you infer from the difference between the mean and median of `Total_Revenue`?
 5. **Filtering with NumPy & Pandas:** The marketing team wants to send a special discount to high-value customers. Using `NumPy` and `Pandas`, filter the `DataFrame` to show only the orders where `Total_Revenue` was greater than \$200. How many such orders are there?
 6. **Grouping & Aggregation:** Determine the total revenue generated by each `Product Category`. Which category is the most profitable for `FitLife`?
 7. **Time-Series Visualization (Matplotlib):** The sales director wants to see the daily revenue trend. Create a line plot using **Matplotlib** that shows the total `Total_Revenue` for each day over the entire period. Ensure your plot has a title and labeled axes.
 8. **Distribution Visualization (Seaborn):** To better understand your customer base, create a **histogram** using **Seaborn** to show the distribution of `Customer_Age`. Overlay a Kernel Density Estimate (KDE) on the plot to see the shape of the distribution more clearly.
 9. **Categorical Data Visualization (Seaborn):** Which `Region` performs the best in terms of sales? Create a **bar plot** using **Seaborn** that shows the total `Total_Revenue` for each `Region`.
 10. **Relationship Analysis (Matplotlib/Seaborn):** Is there a relationship between the price of an item (`Price_USD`) and the number of units sold (`Units_Sold`)? Create a **scatter plot** to visualize this. Calculate the correlation coefficient between these two variables and explain what it means.
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Code Review & Debugging (1)

12. Your colleague wrote the following Python code to find which gender group (`Customer_Gender`) has the highest average transaction revenue. However, the code is inefficient and contains a logical error.

Task: Identify the inefficiency and the error. Then, rewrite the code using a more direct and efficient "Pandas-native" approach.

Python

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# Assume 'df' is the DataFrame with the 'Total_Revenue' column already created.
genders = ['Male', 'Female', 'Non-binary']
highest_avg_rev = 0
top_gender = "
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for g in genders:
    gender_df = df[df['Customer_Gender'] == g]
    total_rev = gender_df['Total_Revenue'].sum()
    avg_rev = total_rev / len(gender_df) # Potential for DivisionByZeroError if a gender has no
    entries

    if avg_rev > highest_avg_rev:
        highest_avg_rev = total_rev # This is the logical error
        top_gender = g

print(f"The gender with the highest average revenue is: {top_gender}")
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Good luck! I'm ready to review your solutions when you are.