Week 4: Mini Project

This notebook will guide you through smaller portions of your final project. For this notebook, we will be using the Abalone dataset from the UCI Machine Learning Repository (https://archive.ics.uci.edu/ml/datasets/Abalone) (originating from the Marine Research Laboratories – Taroona). This dataset should already be in your folder (under abalone.csv) or you can download it at the above link.



A Brief History of Abalones

An abalone is a sea snail belonging to one of a range of 30 to 130 species (depending on which scientist you ask). It is commonly prized for its mother-of-pearl shell, pearls, and delicious flesh by a variety of cultures and has long been a valuable source of food in its native environments. Sadly, wild populations of abalone have been overfished and poached to the point where commercial farming supplies most of abalone flesh nowadays. It now sits on the list of current animals threatened by extinction.

Source: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Abalone (https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Abalone)

Part 1: Familiarize Yourself With the Dataset

The purpose of this dataset is to predict the age of an abalone through physical characteristics, determined by cutting the shell through the cone, staining it, and counting the number of rings through a microscope -- a boring and time-consuming task. Good thing it's already been done for us!

Below is the dataset description from the UCI Machine Learning Repository.

Name	Data Type	Measure	Description
Sex	nominal		M, F, and I (infant)
Length	continuous	mm	Longest shell measurement
Diameter	continuous	mm	perpendicular to length
Height	continuous	mm	with meat in shell
Whole weight	continuous	grams	whole abalone
Shucked weight	continuous	grams	weight of meat
Viscera weight	continuous	grams	gut weight (after bleeding)
Shell weight	continuous	grams	after being dried
Rings	integer		+1.5 gives the age in years

Run the cells below to examine the dataset.

```
In [1]:
            # Load Abalone dataset
            # Remember to change the file location if needed
            import csv
            f = open("./abalone.csv")
            all lines = csv.reader(f, delimiter = ',')
            # We define a header ourselves since the dataset contains only the raw number
            dataset = []
            header = ['Sex', 'Length', 'Diameter', 'Height', 'Whole Weight', 'Shucked Wei
                       'Shell Weight', 'Rings']
            for line in all lines:
                d = dict(zip(header, line))
                d['Length'] = float(d['Length'])
                d['Diameter'] = float(d['Diameter'])
                d['Height'] = float(d['Height'])
                d['Whole Weight'] = float(d['Whole Weight'])
                d['Shucked Weight'] = float(d['Shucked Weight'])
                d['Viscera Weight'] = float(d['Viscera Weight'])
                d['Shell Weight'] = float(d['Shell Weight'])
                d['Rings'] = int(d['Rings'])
                dataset.append(d)
```

Part 2: Simple Statistics

This dataset is already cleaned for us and relatively straightforward, without strings or time data. In your final project, you will have to take care of missing or tricky values yourself.

Fill in the following cells with the requested information about the dataset. The answers are given so you can check the output of your own code. For floating numbers, don't worry too much about the exact numbers as long as they are quite close -- different systems may have different rounding protocols.

Feel free to import numpy if you want more practice with it, or just use Python's native structures to play around with the numbers.

```
In [3]:
         ▶ # Q: What is the total number of entries in the dataset?
            # A: 4177
            len(dataset)
   Out[3]: 4177
In [4]:
         # Q: What is the average Length of an abalone?
            # A: 0.5239920995930099 or 0.524
            length=[d['Length'] for d in dataset]
            sum(length)/len(length)
   Out[4]: 0.5239920995930099
In [5]:
         # Q: What is the widest abalone in the dataset (diameter)?
            # A: 0.65
            diameter=[d['Diameter'] for d in dataset]
            max(diameter)
   Out[5]: 0.65
```

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In [6]:
         ▶ # Q: What is the average number of rings of smaller abalones compared to that
                 is, do smaller abalones tend to be younger or older than larger abalones
                 We will count small abalones as abalones with lengths less than or equal
                 an abalone. The average length of an abalone is 0.524.
            # A: Small Abalones have on average 8.315645514223196 rings.
                 Large Abalones have on average 11.192848020434228 rings.
            #seperating small and large ring based on given criteria and putting in array
            small rings=[d['Length'] for d in dataset if d['Length'] <= 0.524]</pre>
            large_rings=[d['Length'] for d in dataset if d['Length'] > 0.524]
            # #finding the average ring length of small and large abalones
            ageSmall=sum(small rings)/len(small rings)
            ageLarge=sum(large rings)/len(large rings)
            # Change variable name if necessary
            print('Small Abalones have on average', ageSmall, 'rings.')
            print('Large Abalones have on average', ageLarge, 'rings.')
```

Small Abalones have on average 0.41353665207877516 rings. Large Abalones have on average 0.6099489144316739 rings.

Part 3: Data Visualizations

In this course, we learned about Matplotlib (https://matplotlib.org), a "Python 2D plotting library which produces publication quality figures in a variety of hardcopy formats and interactive environments across platforms". There are a variety of plots and figures (https://matplotlib.org/gallery/index.html) we can make with Matplotlib, and in conjunction with NumPy, becomes a powerful and versatile tool in your skillset.

In lectures, we covered the basics of line plots, histograms, scatter plots, bar plots, and box plots. Let's try out a few below.

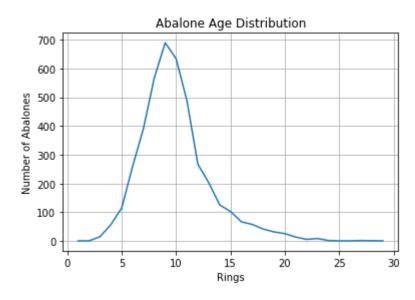
```
In [7]: Import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from matplotlib import colors
import numpy
from collections import defaultdict
```

Line Plots

Line plots show the change in data over time. The example Line Plot below plots the change in density as abalones age (i.e. the distribution of rings). **Note that a line plot is not necessarily the best way to show this data since it doesn't deal with a trend!** Use a histogram (next step) to better showcase this data.

```
In [8]:
         # Parse out Rings column from dataset
            rings = [d['Rings'] for d in dataset]
            rings.sort()
            # Count number of abalones with each number of rings with defaultdict
            abalone_rings = defaultdict(int)
            for r in rings:
                abalone rings[r] += 1
            X = list(abalone rings.keys())
            Y = list(abalone_rings.values())
            # Customize plot
            plt.gca().set(xlabel='Rings', ylabel='Number of Abalones',
                   title='Abalone Age Distribution')
            plt.grid()
            # Show the plot of Rings vs Number of Abalones
            plt.plot(X, Y)
```

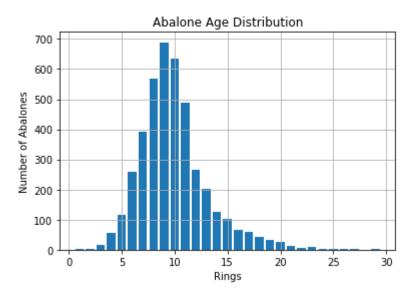
Out[8]: [<matplotlib.lines.Line2D at 0xfb8fad0>]



Histograms

Histograms show the distribution of numeric continuous variables with central tendency and skewness. **Using the line plot data from above, plot a histogram showing the distribution of abalone age.** Feel free to explore matplotlib (https://matplotlib.org/gallery/index.html) on your own to customize your histogram and the following visualizations.

Out[9]: <BarContainer object of 28 artists>

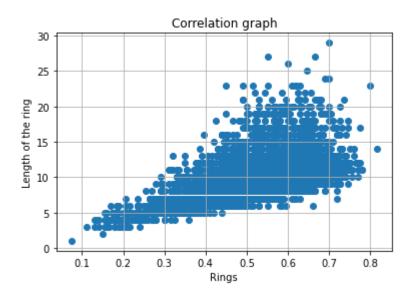


Scatter Plots

Scatter plots show the strength of a relationship between two variables (also known as correlations). From *Part 2: Simple Statistics*, we see that larger abalones tend to be larger, at least from a numbers perspective. **Let's see if this is actually true by creating a scatter plot showing the relationship between Rings and Length**.

On Your Own: Read up on sciPy and how you can calculate and graph the correlation as well.

Out[10]: <matplotlib.collections.PathCollection at 0xfc8ebb0>



Bar Plots

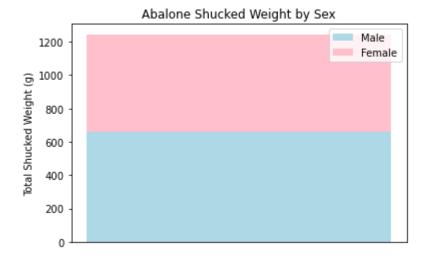
Bar plots are great for comparing categorical variables. There are a few subtypes of bar plots, such as the grouped bar chart or stacked bar chart. Since we have the Sex field to play with, we can compare data across M and F abalones. Below is a simple stacked bar chart comparing the Sex category with the Shucked Weight data. Create a bar chart of your choice of data.

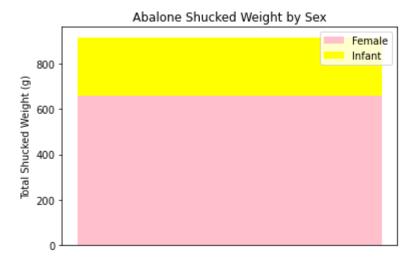
You may refer to the cell below to parse out fields by sex.

```
In [11]: # Example Stacked Bar Chart - Comparisons Between Sexes
Mweight = sum([d['Shucked Weight'] for d in dataset if d['Sex'] is 'M'])
Fweight = sum([d['Shucked Weight'] for d in dataset if d['Sex'] is 'F'])
index = [1]

p1 = plt.bar(index, Mweight, color='lightblue')
p2 = plt.bar(index, Fweight, bottom=Mweight, color='pink')
plt.gca().set(title='Abalone Shucked Weight by Sex', ylabel='Total Shucked We plt.xticks([])

plt.legend((p1[0], p2[0]), ('Male', 'Female'))
plt.show()
```



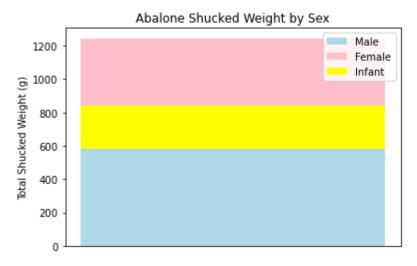




```
In [14]: Meeight = sum([d['Shucked Weight'] for d in dataset if d['Sex'] is 'M'])
Fweight = sum([d['Shucked Weight'] for d in dataset if d['Sex'] is 'F'])
Iweight = sum([d['Shucked Weight'] for d in dataset if d['Sex'] is 'I'])
index = [1]

p1 = plt.bar(index, Mweight, color='lightblue')
p2 = plt.bar(index, Fweight, bottom=Mweight, color='pink')
p3 = plt.bar(index, Iweight, bottom=Fweight, color='yellow')
plt.gca().set(title='Abalone Shucked Weight by Sex', ylabel='Total Shucked We plt.xticks([])

plt.legend((p1[0], p2[0],p3[0]), ('Male', 'Female', 'Infant'))
plt.show()
```



Box Plots

Box plots are useful for comparing distributions of data and are commonly found in research papers. The box portion of a box plot represents 50% of the data, and there are versions where you can mark outliers and other extremes. We have the distribution of rings already from the line plot example under the variable name <code>age_freq</code>, assuming you haven't modified it. **Find the distribution of another field of your choice and create one or more box plots with both of these fields.**

Hint: You can plot multiple box plots with the command <code>plt.boxplot([plot1, plot2, ..., plotn])</code> or use <code>subplots()</code> to draw multiple separate plots at the same time. See <code>this matplotlib example (https://matplotlib.org/gallery/statistics/boxplot_demo.html#sphx-glr-gallery-statistics-boxplot-demo-py)</code> for more.

```
In [15]:  # Complete this cell with multiple box plots

# mean and standard deviation of the normal distribution, and the number of
import numpy as np
array1=[d['Shucked Weight'] for d in dataset if d['Sex'] is 'M']

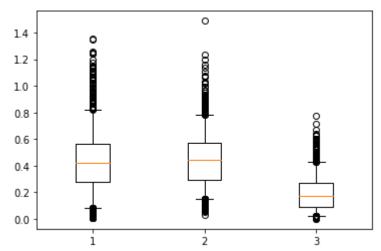
array2=[d['Shucked Weight'] for d in dataset if d['Sex'] is 'F']

array3=[d['Shucked Weight'] for d in dataset if d['Sex'] is 'I']

widths = 0.3
fig, ax1 = plt.subplots(1, sharex=True, sharey=False)

data_1 = [array1, array2, array3]
ax1.boxplot(data_1, widths=0.3, whis=[5,95], showfliers=True)

ax1.set_xticks([1,2,3])
plt.show()
```



Free Response (optional)

Experiment and create visualizations of your own here.

```
In [16]: ▶ # Description of visualization
```

Part 4: Web Scraping (Optional)

BeautifulSoup Documentation: https://www.crummy.com/software/BeautifulSoup/bs4/doc/ https://www.crummy.com/software/BeautifulSoup/bs4/doc/

This part of the notebook is not graded, but still contains some valuable tips for web-scraping! You were introduced to a method of creating your own dataset by parsing a webpage in lecture videos and this week's notebook. Here is another way to parse a webpage with BeautifulSoup. We will be using a short story from Project Gutenberg (<u>Little Boy</u>

(http://www.gutenberg.org/files/58743/58743-h/58743-h.htm) by Harry Neal, 1954) as an example.

On Your Own: Read this page on webscraping and try out a project! https://automatetheboringstuff.com/chapter11/ (https://automatetheboringstuff.com/chapter11/)

Introduction to Beautiful Soup

Below are a few useful commands we will be using throughout the next section as we parse a webpage.

```
In [19]:
           ▶ # Convert our HTML object to a BeautifulSoup object and make it readable
              soup = BeautifulSoup(html, 'html.parser')
             print(soup.prettify())
              b'
              <!DOCTYPE html PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD XHTML 1.0 Strict//EN"\r\n</pre>
                                                                                "http://w
              ww.w3.org/TR/xhtml1/DTD/xhtml1-strict.dtd">
              \r\setminus n
              <html lang="en" xml:lang="en" xmlns="http://www.w3.org/1999/xhtml">
               <head>
                \r\n
                <meta content="text/html;charset=utf-8" http-equiv="Content-Type"/>
                <meta content="text/css" http-equiv="Content-Style-Type"/>
                \r\n
                <title>
                 \r\n
                           The Project Gutenberg eBook of Little Boy, by Harry Neal.\r
              \n
                </title>
                \r\n
                <link href="images/cover.jpg" rel="coverpage"/>
                \r\n\r\n
```

With a BeautifulSoup object, we can easily search through HTML and create lists and other structures.

We can also extract all the text from a page and use it to create a bag of words or other measures.

```
In [22]: # Extract all text from page
    text = soup.get_text()
    text[:100]

Out[22]: "b'\\r\\n\\r\\n \\r\\n \\r\\n \\r\\n \\r\\n herg eBook of Little Boy, by Harry Ne"
```

```
import string
from collections import defaultdict

letters = defaultdict(int)
punctuation = set(string.punctuation)

for char in text:
    if char not in punctuation:
        letters[char] += 1

letters.items()

Out[23]: dict items([('b', 594), ('r', 3484), ('n', 3772), (' ', 7958), ('T', 160),
```

Creating Our Own Dataset



In previous lectures and notebooks, we wrote our own parser method to extract parts of the text. Here is a trivial example of how you can do the same with BeautifulSoup using a list of <u>Top 10</u> Chefs by Gazette Review (https://gazettereview.com/2017/04/top-10-chefs/).

```
In [24]:
          # Open and extract HTML from the webpage
             f = urlopen("https://gazettereview.com/2017/04/top-10-chefs/")
             html = str(f.read())
             soup = BeautifulSoup(html, 'html.parser')
             print(soup.prettify())
             b'
             <!DOCTYPE html >
             <!--[if IE 8]><html class="ie8" lang="en"> <![endif]-->
             <!--[if IE 9]><html class="ie9" lang="en"> <![endif]-->
             \n
             <!--[if gt IE 8]><!-->
             <html lang="en-US">
              <!--<![endif]-->
              <head>
               <title>
                Top 10 Chefs In The World - The Best in 2018 - Gazette Review
               </title>
               <meta charset="utf-8"/>
               <link href="\'https://fonts.googleapis.com/css?family=Open+Sans%3A300it</pre>
             alic%2C400italic%2C600italic%2C400%2C600%2C700&ver=5.3.4\'" id="\'goo
             gle font open sans-css\'" media="\'all\'" rel="\'stylesheet\'" type="\'te
             xt/css\'"/>
```

Note that all the names of the chefs are between $\langle h2 \rangle$ and $\langle /h2 \rangle$ tags and the descriptions are between $\langle p \rangle$ and $\langle /p \rangle$ tags. We can get the names of the chefs quite easily, as seen below.

```
In [26]:
          # Clean and strip spaces and numbers from the bs4 element and turn it into a
             import string
             letters = set(string.ascii_letters)
             chef name = []
             # Grab relevant letters/spaces and remove extra HTML tags and spaces
             for chef in chefs:
                 chef = [letter for letter in str(chef) if letter in letters or letter is
                 chef = ''.join(chef[2:len(chef) - 1])
                 chef_name.append(chef)
             chef_name
    Out[26]: ['Anthony Bourdain',
               'Paul Bocuse',
              'Alain Ducasse',
               'Emeril Lagasse',
              'Vikas Khanna',
              'Marco Pierre White',
              'Heston Blumenthal',
              'Wolfgang Puck',
               'Jamie Oliver',
              'Gordon Ramsay']
```

Getting the list of chef names is trivial with the find_all() function (and a little Python cleaning), but what about the descriptions? This is a little trickier since there may be overlapping uses for the and tags, so let's try navigating the BeautifulSoup tree https://www.crummy.com/software/BeautifulSoup/bs4/doc/#navigating-the-tree).

This website is simple in that every chef has a two-paragraph description in the same format. We can use this to our advantage once we know what to look for. Let's say we want to extract just the text from these two paragraphs. How can we do so? With the .contents attribute, we can access the children of each tag.

```
In [27]: M descriptions = soup.find_all('p')
    del descriptions[-12:]
    del descriptions[0]
    print("The number of paragraphs is:", len(descriptions))
    descriptions[:2]
```

The number of paragraphs is: 21

Out[27]: [<img alt="" class="size-medium wp-image-65278 alignleft" height="300" s</pre> izes="(max-width: 200px) 100vw, 200px" src="https://gazettereview.com/wp-co ntent/uploads/2017/04/Anthony-Bourdain-200x300.jpg" srcset="https://gazette review.com/wp-content/uploads/2017/04/Anthony-Bourdain-200x300.jpg 200w, ht tps://gazettereview.com/wp-content/uploads/2017/04/Anthony-Bourdain-280x42 0.jpg (https://gazettereview.com/wp-content/uploads/2017/04/Anthony-Bourdai n-280x420.jpg) 280w, https://gazettereview.com/wp-content/uploads/2017/04/A nthony-Bourdain.jpg (https://gazettereview.com/wp-content/uploads/2017/04/A nthony-Bourdain.jpg) 320w" width="200"/>
\nIt\xe2\x80\x99s hard to beli eve that the world renowned chef, writer, and television personality Anthon y Bourdain\xe2\x80\x99s career started out with him washing dishes as a col lege dropout. He is now one of the most popular travel and food personaliti es. Although he is no longer officially a chef, his career spanned several decades. He was a chef at elite restaurants in New York such as the Supper Club, Sullivan\xe2\x80\x99s, and One Fifth Avenue.,

> Rourdain has written several successful novels about his culinary adven tures. His shows are well known by his comedic and often profane commentar y. He is also famous for the travel and food series No Reservations. Bourda in also has a blue belt in Brazilian Jiu Jitsu.]

```
In [28]:
          # Set up the Loop
             i = 0
             chef description = []
             chef image = []
             # Grab description text from paragraphs
             for d in descriptions:
                 if i % 2 == 0:
                     try:
                         chef_description.append(d.contents[0])
                         chef image.append(d.contents[0].get('src', None)) # Get images as
                     except:
                         pass
                 else:
                     chef description.append(d.contents[0])
                 # Append relevant parts to corresponding index
                 i += 1
             # Voila! We have combined 2 paragraphs into 1.
             for (i,j) in zip(chef image, chef description):
                 print('Image Link is:\n' ,i, '\n\nDescription is:',j,'\n\n\n')
             Image Link is:
              https://gazettereview.com/wp-content/uploads/2017/04/Anthony-Bourdain-20
             0x300.jpg (https://gazettereview.com/wp-content/uploads/2017/04/Anthony-B
             ourdain-200x300.jpg)
             Description is: Bourdain has written several successful novels about his
              culinary adventures. His shows are well known by his comedic and often p
             rofane commentary. He is also famous for the travel and food series No Re
             servations. Bourdain also has a blue belt in Brazilian Jiu Jitsu.
             Image Link is:
              https://gazettereview.com/wp-content/uploads/2017/04/Paul-Bocuse-300x18
             0.jpg (https://gazettereview.com/wp-content/uploads/2017/04/Paul-Bocuse-3
             00x180.jpg)
             Description is: Bocuse has created the Institute Paul Bocuse Worldwide Al
```

We now have lists with the names, descriptions, and images of the chefs! You can arrange this however you want; chef_data below is arranged like a JSON object but you can modify this section to make the data look more like a traditional dataset.

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Out[29]: 'Bourdain has written several successful novels about his culinary adventur es. His shows are well known by his comedic and often profane commentary. He is also famous for the travel and food series No Reservations. Bourdain a lso has a blue belt in Brazilian Jiu Jitsu.'

(Optional) Your Turn: Web-Scraping

Now that you've run through this section of the notebook, feel free to experiment with web-scraping on your own. Choose a site and get some raw data out of it!

Note: If you run into a HTTP error 403 (Forbidden), this means that the site probably blocks web-scraping scripts. You can get around this by modifying the way you request the URL (see StackOverflow (https://stackoverflow.com/questions/28396036/python-3-4-urllib-request-error-http-403) for some useful tips) or try another site.

```
In [30]: ▶ # Start parsing here
```

All Done!

In this notebook, we covered loading a dataset, simple statistics, basic data visualizations, and web-scraping to round out your toolset. These will be immensely helpful as you move forwards in building your skills in data science.

By now, you hopefully feel a little more confident with tackling your final project. It is up to you to find your own data, build your own notebook, and show others what you have achieved. Best of luck!