

Background:

Leveraging customer information is of paramount importance for most businesses. In the case of an insurance company, the attributes of customers like the ones mentioned below can be crucial in making business decisions. Hence, knowing to explore and generate value out of such data can be an invaluable skill to have.

Objective:

Statistical Analysis of Business Data. Explore the dataset and extract insights from the data.

1. Explore the dataset and extract insights using Exploratory Data Analysis.
 2. Prove (or disprove) that the medical claims made by the people who smoke is greater than those who don't?
 3. Prove (or disprove) with statistical evidence that the BMI of females is different from that of males.
 4. Is the proportion of smokers significantly different across different regions?
 5. Is the mean BMI of women with no children, one child, and two children the same? Explain your answer with statistical evidence.
- *Consider a significance level of 0.05 for all tests.

Data:

1.Age - This is an integer indicating the age of the primary beneficiary (excluding those above 64 years, since they are generally covered by the government).

1. Sex - This is the policy holder's gender, either male or female.
2. BMI - This is the body mass index (BMI), which provides a sense of how over or underweight a person is relative to their height. BMI is equal to weight (in kilograms) divided by height (in meters) squared. An ideal BMI is within the range of 18.5 to 24.9.
3. Children - This is an integer indicating the number of children/dependents covered by the insurance plan.
4. Smoker - This is yes or no depending on whether the insured regularly smokes tobacco.
5. Region - This is the beneficiary's place of residence in the U.S., divided into four geographic regions - northeast, southeast, southwest, or northwest.
6. Charges - Individual medical costs billed to health insurance

Import the necessary libraries - pandas, numpy, seaborn, matplotlib.pyplot, scipy

```
In [2]: #import the important packages
import warnings
warnings.filterwarnings('ignore')
import pandas as pd #library used for data manipulation and analysis
import numpy as np # library used for working with arrays.
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt # library for plots and visualisations
import seaborn as sns # library for visualisations
import random
%matplotlib inline

import scipy.stats as stats # this library contains a large number of probability distributions as well as a gro
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In [3]: !pip install scipy==1.6.1
import scipy
scipy.__version__

Requirement already satisfied: scipy==1.6.1 in d:\anaconda\lib\site-packages (1.6.1)
Requirement already satisfied: numpy>=1.16.5 in d:\anaconda\lib\site-packages (from scipy==1.6.1) (1.19.2)

Out[3]: '1.6.1'
```

Read in the dataset

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In [4]: data = pd.read_csv('AxisInsurance.csv') #reading the data
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In [5]: data.head() #first 5 rows of the data
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Out[5]:
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	age	sex	bmi	children	smoker	region	charges
0	19	female	27.900	0	yes	southwest	16884.92400
1	18	male	33.770	1	no	southeast	1725.55230

2	28	male	33.000	3	no	southeast	4449.46200
3	33	male	22.705	0	no	northwest	21984.47061
4	32	male	28.880	0	no	northwest	3866.85520

```
In [6]: data.info() #checking the data types of each column
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```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 1338 entries, 0 to 1337
Data columns (total 7 columns):
#   Column      Non-Null Count  Dtype
---  ---
0   age         1338 non-null   int64
1   sex         1338 non-null   object
2   bmi         1338 non-null   float64
3   children    1338 non-null   int64
4   smoker      1338 non-null   object
5   region      1338 non-null   object
6   charges     1338 non-null   float64
dtypes: float64(2), int64(2), object(3)
memory usage: 73.3+ KB
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In [7]: data.shape #checking the shape of the data
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Out[7]: (1338, 7)
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In [8]: data.isnull().sum() #checking the total number of null values
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Out[8]: age         0
sex         0
bmi         0
children    0
smoker      0
region      0
charges     0
dtype: int64
```

Observations:

1. There are 1338 rows of data.
2. There are 7 variables in total.
3. There are no null values in any of the variables.

Converting Objects into Categorical Variables

```
In [9]: data['sex'] = data['sex'].astype('category') #converting the data types into categorical types
data['smoker'] = data['smoker'].astype('category')
data['region'] = data['region'].astype('category')
data['children'] = data['children'].astype('category')
```

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In [10]: data.info() #checking if the data types have changed
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```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 1338 entries, 0 to 1337
Data columns (total 7 columns):
#   Column      Non-Null Count  Dtype
---  ---
0   age         1338 non-null   int64
1   sex         1338 non-null   category
2   bmi         1338 non-null   float64
3   children    1338 non-null   category
4   smoker      1338 non-null   category
5   region      1338 non-null   category
6   charges     1338 non-null   float64
dtypes: category(4), float64(2), int64(1)
memory usage: 37.3 KB
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In [11]: print(data.describe()) #checking the statistics for the data
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age	bmi	charges
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count	1338.000000	1338.000000	1338.000000
mean	39.207025	30.663397	13270.422265
std	14.049960	6.098187	12110.011237
min	18.000000	15.960000	1121.873900
25%	27.000000	26.296250	4740.287150
50%	39.000000	30.400000	9382.033000
75%	51.000000	34.693750	16639.912515
max	64.000000	53.130000	63770.428010

```
In [12]: statistic = data.describe(include = 'category')
print(statistic) #checking all the statistics for the cateogrical data
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	sex	children	smoker	region
count	1338	1338	1338	1338
unique	2	6	2	4
top	male	0	no	southeast
freq	676	574	1064	364

Observations:

1. The charges column have a big spread in its data, with 75% being 1139 while the max being 63770
2. Both Age and BMI seem to be well distributed without much spread
3. The standard deviation for the charges column is huge.
4. There are 4 categorical variables.
5. Most occuring sex is male with a count of 676
6. There are 6 unique values for children with no children as the most recurring with 574 values.
7. Non-smokers are most recurring with 1064 values.
8. Southeast region is most recurring with 364 values.

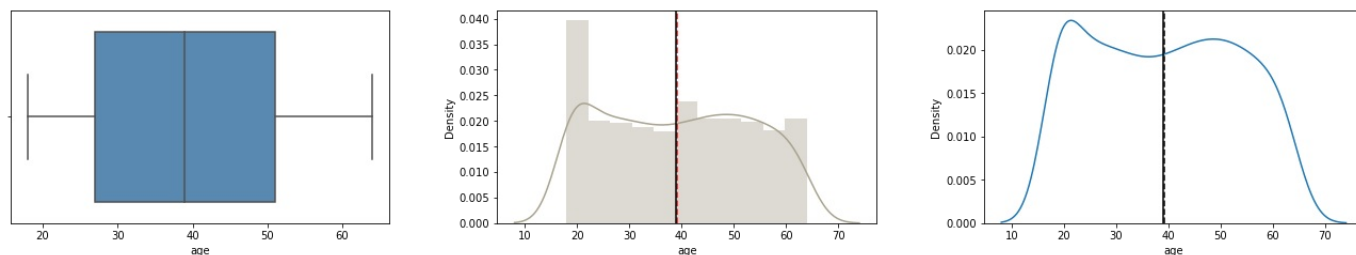
EDA

```
In [13]: def histogram_boxplot(feature):
        """ Boxplot and histogram combined
        feature: 1-d feature array
        """
        figure, (ax_box2, ax_hist2, ax_hist3) = plt.subplots(
            nrows = 1, ncols=3, # Number of rows of the subplot grid= 2
            figsize = (20,5)) # creating the 2 subplots
        figure.tight_layout(pad = 7)
        sns.boxplot(x = feature, ax=ax_box2, color = '#4B8BBE', orient = 'v') # boxplot will be created
        sns.distplot(feature, kde=True, ax=ax_hist2, color = '#a9a38f') # For histogram
        sns.distplot(feature, kde= True, ax=ax_hist3, hist = False) #Making an outline of the histogram
        ax_hist2.axvline(np.mean(feature), color='r', linestyle='--') # Add mean to the histogram
        ax_hist2.axvline(np.median(feature), color='black', linestyle='--') # Add median to the histogram
        ax_hist3.axvline(np.mean(feature), color = 'black', linestyle = '--') #Adding mean to second histogram
        ax_hist3.axvline(np.median(feature), color='black', linestyle='--') #Adding median to second histogram
```

Univariate Analysis

Observations on Age

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In [14]: histogram_boxplot(data['age']) #plotting using the function made above
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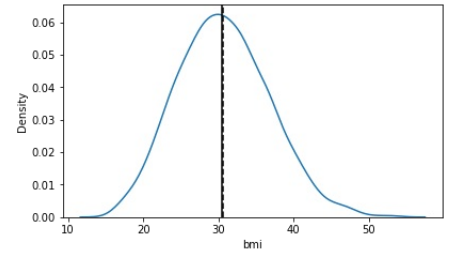
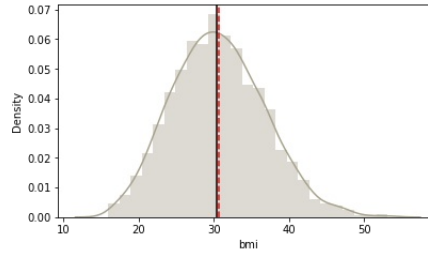
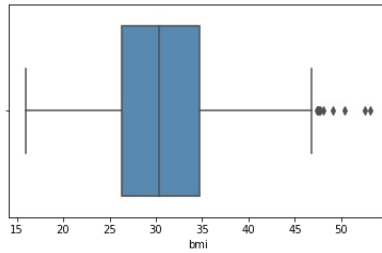


Observations:

1. There seems to be an even distribution of the data
2. The maximum value for Age is 64 while the minimum value is 18.
3. The mean of age is 39 with a standard deviation of 14.049.

Observations on BMI

```
In [15]: histogram_boxplot(data['bmi'])
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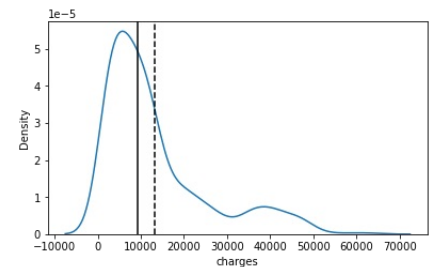
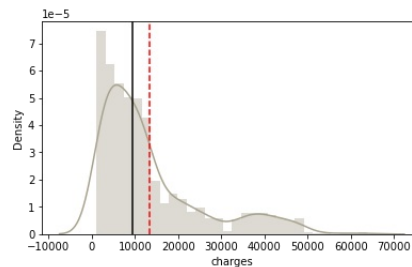
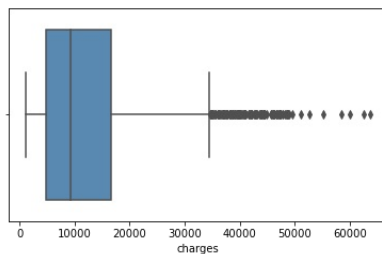


Observations:

1. There are a lot of outliers
2. The histograms show a bell-curve with a mean of 30 and standard deviation of 6.
3. The maximum value is 53 while the minimum being 15.96.

Observations on Charges

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In [16]: histogram_boxplot(data['charges'])
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Observations:

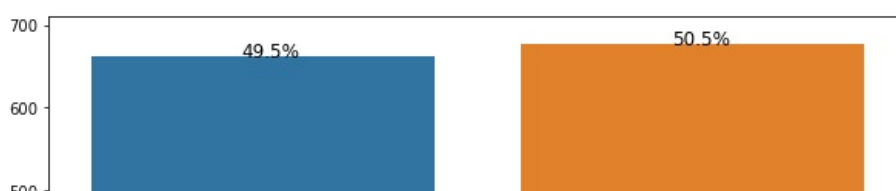
1. Charges have more outliers than any of the other variables.
2. The graph seems to be positively/right skewed.
3. The mean is 13270 and it has a high standard deviation of 12110

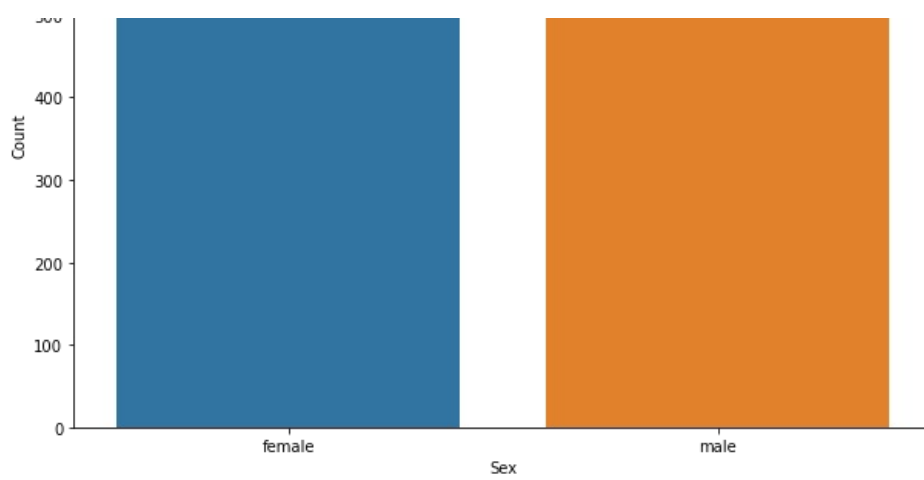
Categorical Variables

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In [17]: def bar_perc(plot, feature):  
    ...  
    plot  
    feature: 1-d categorical feature array  
    ...  
    total = len(feature) # length of the column  
    for p in ax.patches:  
        percentage = '{:.1f}%'.format(100 * p.get_height()/total) # percentage of each class of the category  
        x = p.get_x() + p.get_width() / 2 - 0.05 # width of the plot  
        y = p.get_y() + p.get_height() # height of the plot  
        ax.annotate(percentage, (x, y), size = 12) # annotate the percentage
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Observation on Sex

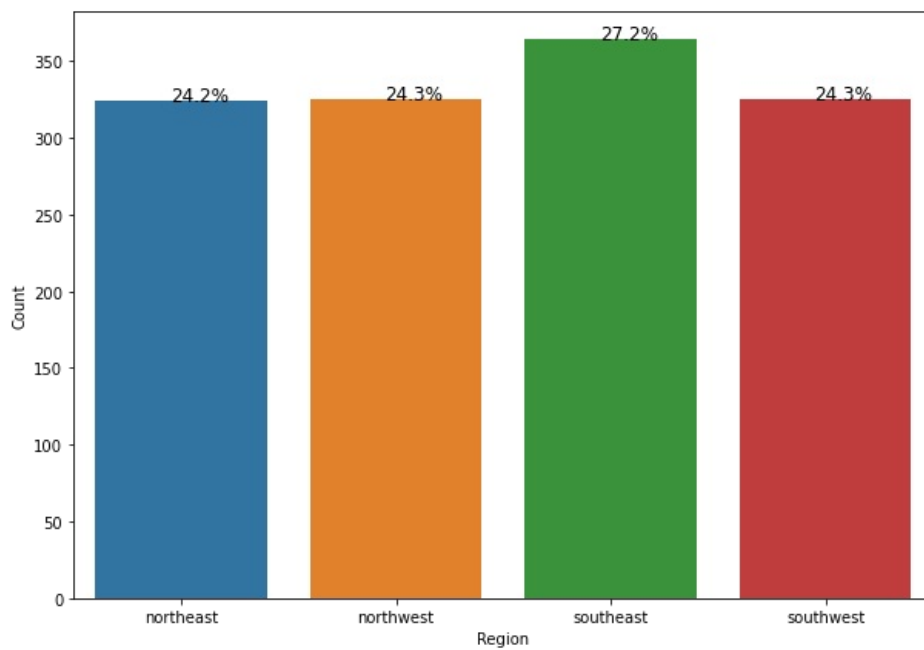
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In [18]: plt.figure(figsize=(10,7))  
ax = sns.countplot(data['sex']) #count plot for Gender  
plt.xlabel('Sex')  
plt.ylabel('Count')  
bar_perc(ax,data['sex'])
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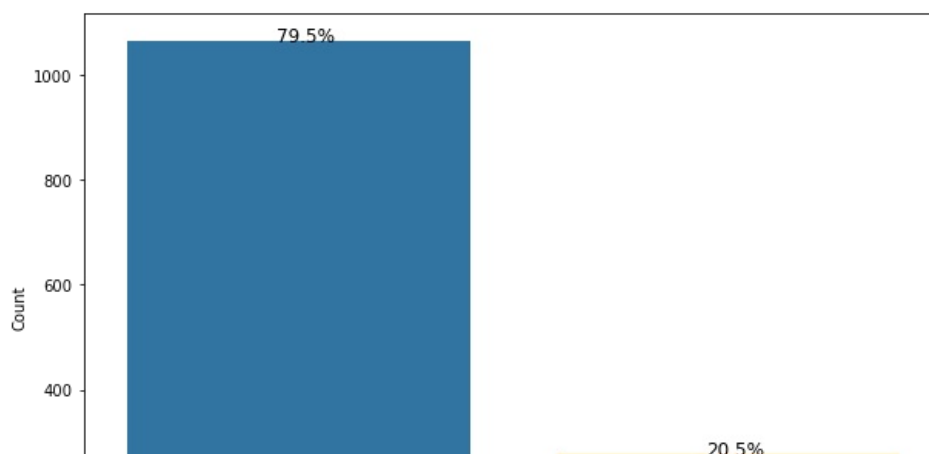
Observation on Region

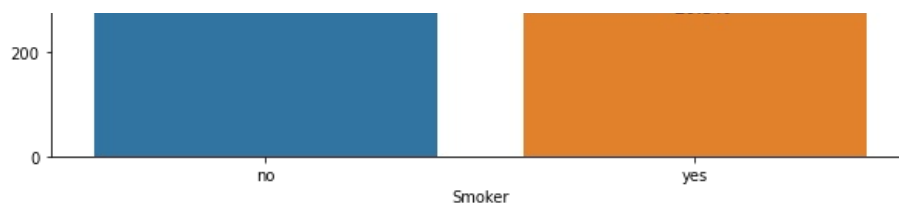
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In [19]: plt.figure(figsize=(10,7))
ax = sns.countplot(data['region']) #count plot for Gender
plt.xlabel('Region')
plt.ylabel('Count')
bar_perc(ax,data['region'])
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Observation on Smoker

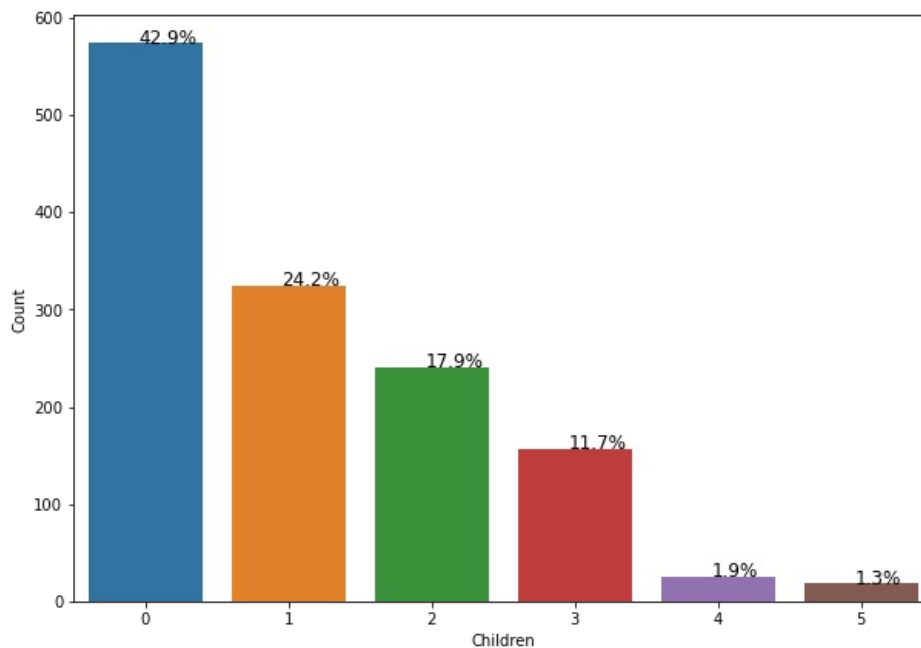
```
In [20]: plt.figure(figsize=(10,7))
ax = sns.countplot(data['smoker']) #count plot for Gender
plt.xlabel('Smoker')
plt.ylabel('Count')
bar_perc(ax,data['smoker'])
```





Observation on Children

```
In [21]: plt.figure(figsize=(10,7))
ax = sns.countplot(data['children']) #count plot for Gender
plt.xlabel('Children')
plt.ylabel('Count')
bar_perc(ax,data['children'])
```



Observations:

1. The female to male ratio is 49.5% to 50.5%.
2. Southeast is the most recurring region with 27.2% while the least recurring region is northeast with 24.2%.
3. There seems to be an even spread across each of the regions.
4. 79.5% of the individuals don't smoke while 20.5% do smoke.
5. Most individuals have no children with 42.9% while, some individuals have 5 children with 1.3%

Bivariate Analysis

Correlation and Covariance

```
In [22]: data.corr() #correlation of data
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Out[22]:
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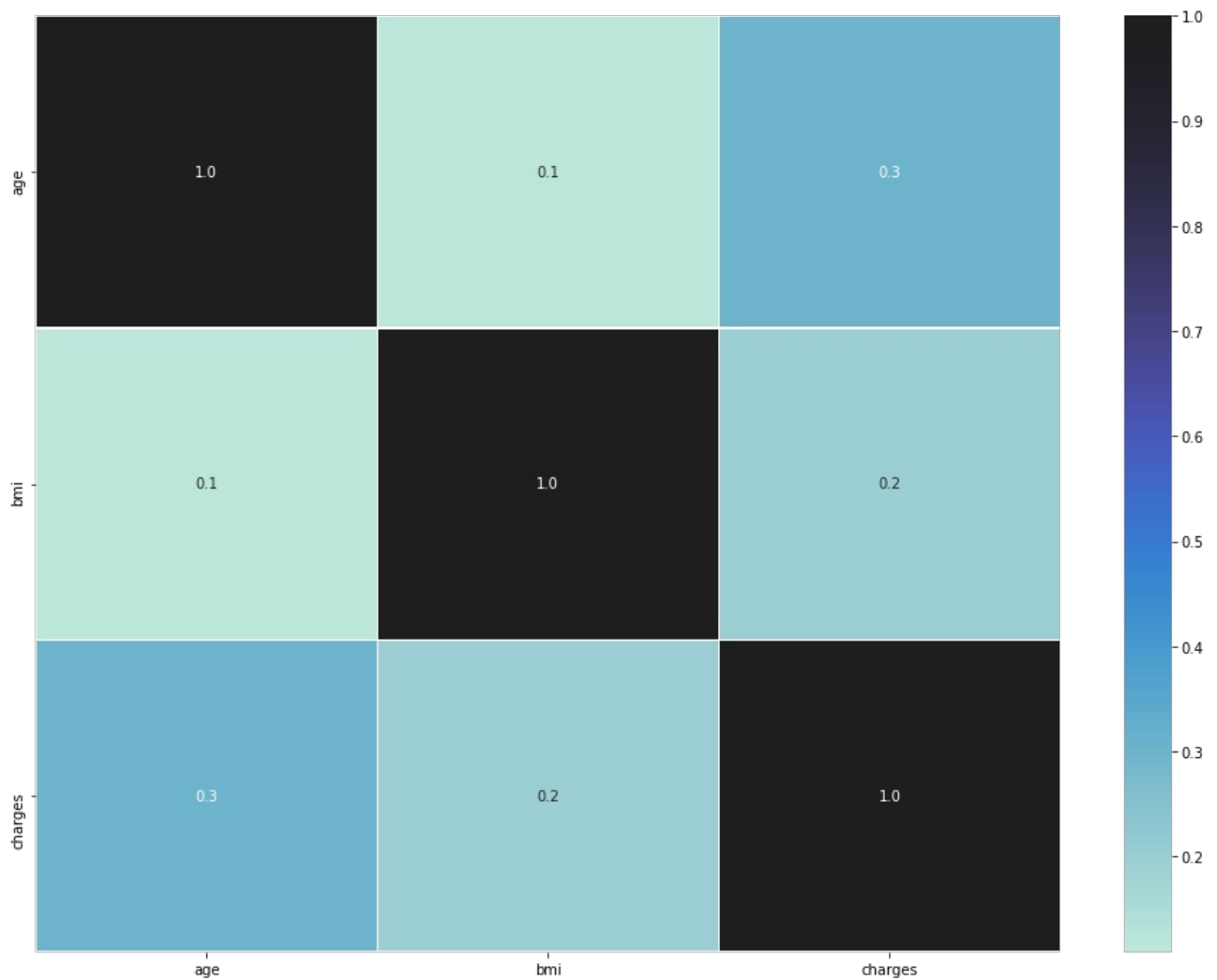
	age	bmi	charges
age	1.000000	0.109272	0.299008
bmi	0.109272	1.000000	0.198341
charges	0.299008	0.198341	1.000000

```
In [23]: data.cov() #covariance of data
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Out[23]:
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	age	bmi	charges
age	197.401387	9.362337	5.087480e+04
bmi	9.362337	37.187884	1.464730e+04

```
In [24]: plt.figure(figsize=(16,12))
sns.heatmap(data.corr(), annot=True, linewidths=.5, fmt= '.1f', center = 1 ) # heatmap
plt.show()
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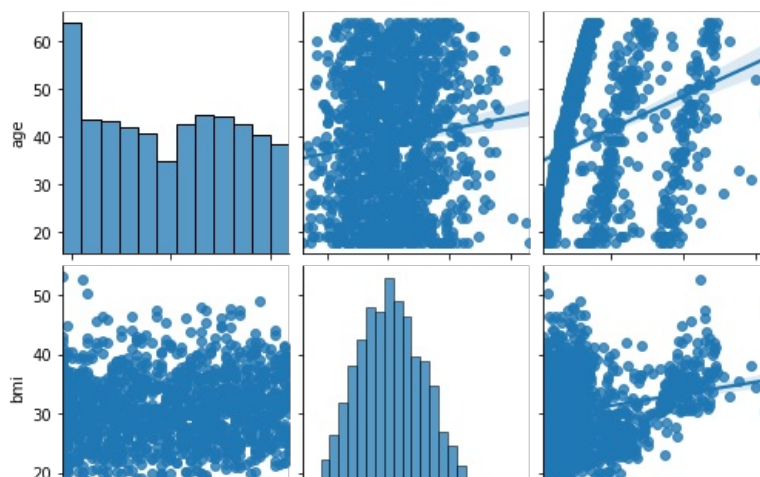


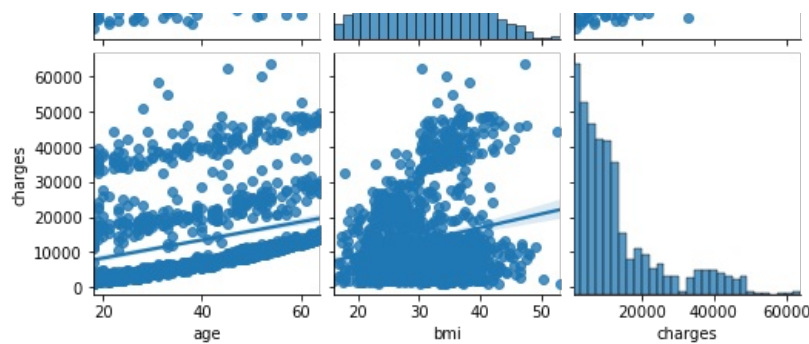
Observation:

1. As indicated in the correlation statistic most of the variables have very low correlation amongst each other.
2. The two variables with highest correlation are age and charges with 0.3 correlation.
3. The lowest correlation is between age and bmi with 0.10 correlation.
4. Most of these variables have no connection between each other as indicated by the heatmap and correlation statistic.
5. Correlation does not imply causation.

```
In [25]: plt.figure(figsize = (20,20))
sns.pairplot(data = data, kind = 'reg')
plt.show()
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Observation:

1. There is a huge spread of data in age, bmi and charges.
2. Every single variable shows a positive correlation towards each other.
3. Correlation between each variable are very low as indicated by gentle slope.
4. BMI against itself indicates a bell-curve.
5. As there seems to be no relationship between each of the variables as indicated by the scatter plots and correlation statistics there need not be any further bivariate analysis.

Question #1

Prove (or disprove) that the medical claims made by the people who smoke is greater than those who don't?

Null and alternative hypothesis

We will test the null hypothesis

$$H_0 : \mu_1 = \mu_2$$

μ_1 - being the mean of the medical claim of smokers.

μ_2 - being the mean of the medical claim of non-smokers.

against the alternate hypothesis

$$H_a : \mu_1 > \mu_2$$

Finding the appropriate data

```
In [26]: smoker_data = data[data['smoker'] == 'yes'] #only taking in the data of smokers
non_smoker_data = data[data['smoker'] == 'no'] #only taking in the data of non-smokers
print(smoker_data.head())
print(non_smoker_data.head())
```

	age	sex	bmi	children	smoker	region	charges
0	19	female	27.90	0	yes	southwest	16884.9240
11	62	female	26.29	0	yes	southeast	27808.7251
14	27	male	42.13	0	yes	southeast	39611.7577
19	30	male	35.30	0	yes	southwest	36837.4670
23	34	female	31.92	1	yes	northeast	37701.8768
	age	sex	bmi	children	smoker	region	charges
1	18	male	33.770	1	no	southeast	1725.55230
2	28	male	33.000	3	no	southeast	4449.46200
3	33	male	22.705	0	no	northwest	21984.47061
4	32	male	28.880	0	no	northwest	3866.85520
5	31	female	25.740	0	no	southeast	3756.62160

```
In [27]: print('The mean medical claim for Smokers is ' + str(round(smoker_data['charges'].mean(), 2)))
print('The mean medical claim for High Non-smokers group is ' + str(round(non_smoker_data['charges'].mean(), 2)))
print('The standard deviation of medical claim score for Smokers is ' + str(round(smoker_data['charges'].std(), 2)))
print('The standard deviation of medical claim score for Non-smokers group is ' + str(round(non_smoker_data['charges'].std(), 2)))
```

The mean medical claim for Smokers is 32050.23

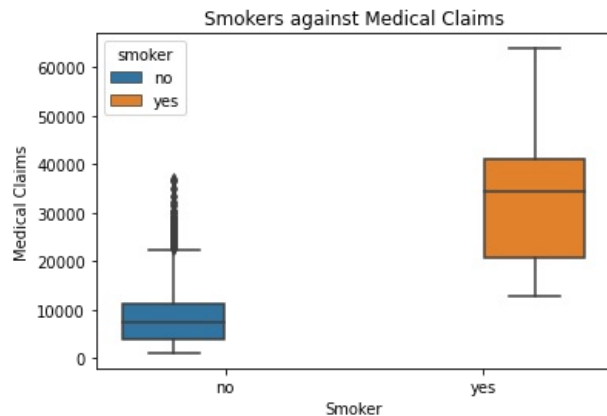
The mean medical claim for High Non-smokers group is 8434.27

The standard deviation of medical claim score for Smokers is 11541.55

The standard deviation of medical claim for Non-smokers group is 5993.78


```
In [28]: b = sns.boxplot(x= "smoker", y = 'charges' , data = data, hue = 'smoker') #boxplot
b.set_title('Smokers against Medical Claims')
plt.ylabel('Medical Claims')
plt.xlabel('Smoker')
```

Out[28]: Text(0.5, 0, 'Smoker')



Observations:

1. There are many outliers for medical claims of non-smokers.
2. The mean for medical claims of smokers appear to be closer to the 75% percentile.
3. The mean of medical claims of smokers is much higher than the medical claim of non-smokers.

Assumptions:

1. Continuous data - Yes, the medical claims are measured on a continuous scale.
2. Independent populations - As we are taking random samples for two different groups, the two samples are from two independent populations.
3. Unequal population standard deviations - As the sample standard deviations are different, the population standard deviations may be assumed to be different.
4. Random sampling from the population - Yes, we are informed that the collected sample a simple random sample.

Two sample independent T-test

```
In [29]: #import the required functions
from scipy.stats import ttest_ind, norm
test_stat, p_value = ttest_ind(smoker_data['charges'], non_smoker_data['charges'], equal_var = False, alternative='less')
print('The p-value is ', p_value)
```

The p-value is 2.94473222335849e-103

Insight

As the p-value 2.944e-103 is significantly lower than the level of significance, we can reject the null hypothesis. We have enough evidence to state that the mean of medical claim of smokers is much greater than of those that don't smoke at a 0.05 level of significance.

Question #2

Prove (or disprove) with statistical evidence that the BMI of females is different from that of males.

Null and alternative hypothesis

We will test the null hypothesis

$$H_0 : \mu_1 = \mu_2$$

μ_1 - being the mean of the BMI of females.
 μ_2 - being the mean of the BMI of Males.

against the alternate hypothesis

$$H_a : \mu_1 \neq \mu_2$$

Finding the appropriate data

```
In [30]: bmi_males = data[data['sex'] == 'male' ]
bmi_females = data[data['sex'] == 'female']
print(bmi_males.head())
print(bmi_females.head())
```

	age	sex	bmi	children	smoker	region	charges
1	18	male	33.770	1	no	southeast	1725.55230
2	28	male	33.000	3	no	southeast	4449.46200
3	33	male	22.705	0	no	northwest	21984.47061
4	32	male	28.880	0	no	northwest	3866.85520
8	37	male	29.830	2	no	northeast	6406.41070

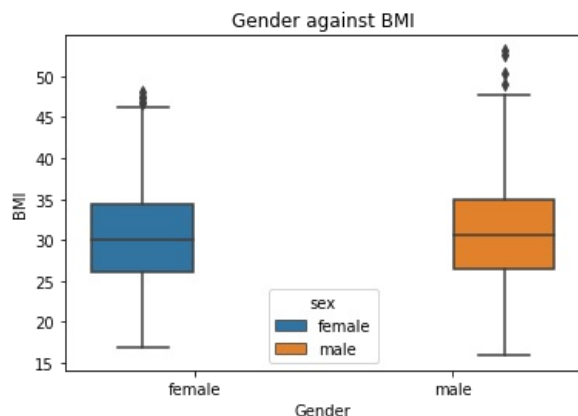
	age	sex	bmi	children	smoker	region	charges
0	19	female	27.90	0	yes	southwest	16884.92400
5	31	female	25.74	0	no	southeast	3756.62160
6	46	female	33.44	1	no	southeast	8240.58960
7	37	female	27.74	3	no	northwest	7281.50560
9	60	female	25.84	0	no	northwest	28923.13692

```
In [31]: print('The mean of BMI for females is ' + str(round(bmi_females['bmi'].mean(), 2)))
print('The mean of BMI for males is ' + str(round(bmi_males['bmi'].mean(), 2)))
print('The standard deviation of BMI for females is ' + str(round(bmi_females['bmi'].std(), 2)))
print('The standard deviation of BMI for males is ' + str(round(bmi_males['bmi'].std(), 2)))
```

The mean of BMI for females is 30.38
The mean of BMI for males is 30.94
The standard deviation of BMI for females is 6.05
The standard deviation of BMI for males is 6.14

```
In [32]: plot = sns.boxplot(x = 'sex', y = 'bmi', data = data, hue = 'sex')
plot.set_title('Gender against BMI')
plt.ylabel('BMI')
plt.xlabel('Gender')
```

Out[32]: Text(0.5, 0, 'Gender')



Observation:

1. There are outliers for both female and male BMI values.
2. The mean for both female and male values seem to be close.

Assumptions

1. Continuous data - Yes, the BMI values are measured on a continuous scale.
2. Independent populations - As we are taking random samples for two different groups, the two samples are from two independent populations.
3. Equal population standard deviations - As the sample standard deviations are different, the population standard deviations may be

assumed to be different.

4. Random sampling from the population - Yes, we are informed that the collected sample a simple random sample.

Two sample independent t-test with equal standard deviations

```
In [33]: #import the required functions
from scipy.stats import ttest_ind

# find the p-value
test_stat, p_value = ttest_ind(bmi_females['bmi'], bmi_males['bmi'], equal_var = True, alternative = 'two-sided')
print('The p-value is ' + str(p_value))
```

The p-value is 0.08997637178984934

Insights

As the p-value is 0.089 which is higher than the level of significance, we fail to reject the null hypothesis. Hence, we have enough evidence to prove that the mean bmi of females is equal to that of males at 0.05 level of significance.

Question #3

Is the proportion of smokers significantly different across different regions?

Let's write the null and alternative hypothesis

We will test the null hypothesis

H_0 : Smoking habit is independent of the region.

against the alternate hypothesis

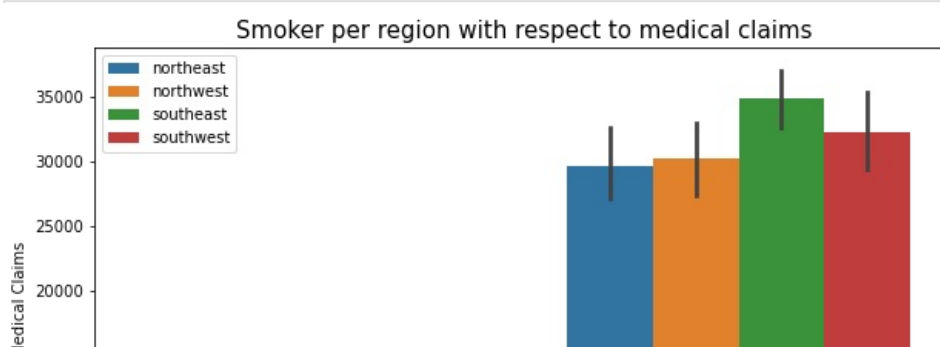
H_a : Smoking habit is not independent of the region.

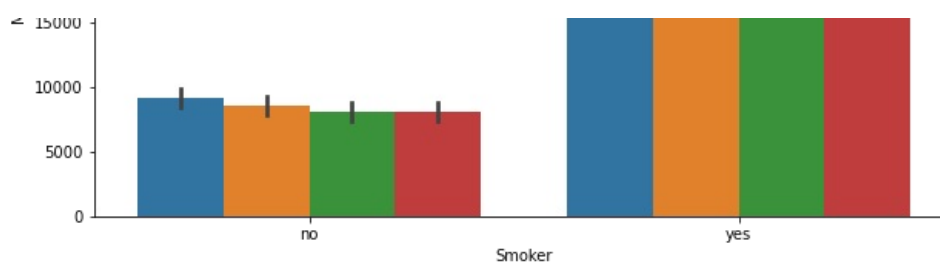
Finding the appropriate data

```
In [46]: data_crosstab = pd.crosstab(columns = data['region'], index = data['smoker'], margins = True) # Making Contingency Table
print(data_crosstab)
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region	northeast	northwest	southeast	southwest	All
smoker					
no	257	267	273	267	1064
yes	67	58	91	58	274
All	324	325	364	325	1338

```
In [35]: # draw the barplot for visualization
fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize = (10,6))
ax = sns.barplot(x = 'smoker', y = 'charges', data = data, hue = 'region') #barplots
plt.legend()
plt.xlabel(xlabel = 'Smoker')
plt.ylabel(ylabel = 'Medical Claims')
ax.set_title("Smoker per region with respect to medical claims", fontsize=15)
plt.show()
```





Observation:

1. Based on the graph, medical claims is higher for non smokers in the northeast region followed by northwest, southeast and southwest respectively.
2. Medical claims for smokers is highest in Southeast region, and lowest in northeast region.

Assumptions:

1. Categorical variables - Yes
2. Expected value of the number of sample observations in each level of the variable is at least 5 - Yes, the number of observations in each level is greater than 5.
3. Random sampling from the population - Yes, we are informed that the collected sample is a simple random sample.

Chi-squared test

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In [36]: chi2, p_value, dof, expected = stats.chi2_contingency(observed = data_crosstab) #the appropriate function
print(f'The p-value is {p_value}')
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The p-value is 0.5000675325877666

Insight

As the p-value 0.5 is greater than the significance level, we fail to reject the null hypothesis. Hence, we do not have enough evidence to conclude that smoking habit is not independent based on the region at a 0.05 level of significance.

Question #4

Is the mean BMI of women with no children, one child, and two children the same?

Null and alternative hypothesis

Let μ_1, μ_2, μ_3 be the means of BMI for females with 0, 1 and 2 children respectively.

We will test the null hypothesis

$$H_0 : \mu_1 = \mu_2 = \mu_3$$

against the alternative hypothesis

$$H_a : \text{At least 1 mean of BMI from females is different from the others.}$$

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In [37]: new_data = pd.read_csv('AxisInsurance.csv') #making a new data set
children_data = new_data[new_data['children'] == 0] #reading all the data of women and male containing 0 children
children_data1 = new_data[new_data['children'] == 1] #reading all the data of women and male containing 1 children
children_data2 = new_data[new_data['children'] == 2]
children = children_data.append(children_data1) #appending the data to a new data frame
all_children_data = children.append(children_data2) #appending 0, 1 and 2 children to a new data frame
print(all_children_data)
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	age	sex	bmi	children	smoker	region	charges
0	19	female	27.900	0	yes	southwest	16884.92400
3	33	male	22.705	0	no	northwest	21984.47061

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4      32    male  28.880      0    no  northwest   3866.85520
5      31    female 25.740      0    no   southeast   3756.62160
9      60    female 25.840      0    no   northwest   28923.13692
...    ...    ...    ...      ...    ...    ...
1319   39    female 26.315      2    no   northwest   7201.70085
1323   42    female 40.370      2    yes  southeast   43896.37630
1328   23    female 24.225      2    no   northeast   22395.74424
1329   52    male   38.600      2    no   southwest   10325.20600
1330   57    female 25.740      2    no   southeast   12629.16560

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[1138 rows x 7 columns]

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In [38]: female_data = all_children_data[all_children_data['sex'] != 'male'] #dropping all the male values from the sex column
print(female_data)
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   age  sex  bmi  children  smoker  region  charges
0    19  female 27.900      0     yes  southwest  16884.92400
5    31  female 25.740      0     no   southeast   3756.62160
9    60  female 25.840      0     no   northwest   28923.13692
11   62  female 26.290      0     yes  southeast   27808.72510
13   56  female 39.820      0     no   southeast   11090.71780
...   ...   ...   ...      ...   ...   ...
1313  19  female 34.700      2     yes  southwest   36397.57600
1319  39  female 26.315      2     no   northwest   7201.70085
1323  42  female 40.370      2     yes  southeast   43896.37630
1328  23  female 24.225      2     no   northeast   22395.74424
1330  57  female 25.740      2     no   southeast   12629.16560

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[566 rows x 7 columns]

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In [39]: female_data['children'].value_counts() #counting the number of unique values for the children value
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Out[39]: 0    289
         1    158
         2    119
         Name: children, dtype: int64

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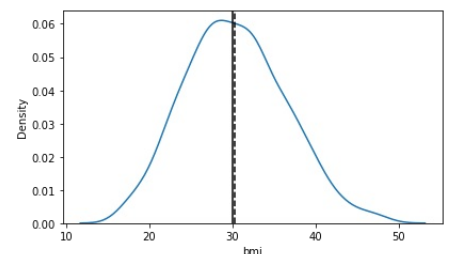
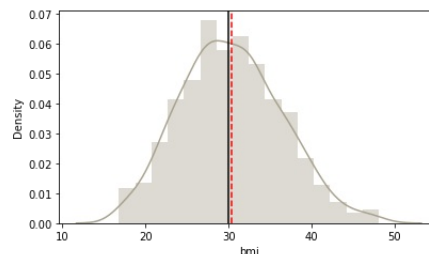
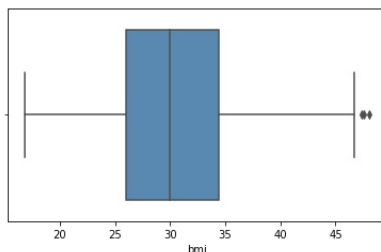
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In [40]: print('The mean BMI for women is ' + str(round(female_data['bmi'].mean(), 2)))
print('The mean BMI for women with no children is ' + str(round(children_data['bmi'].mean(), 2)))
print('The mean BMI for women with one children is ' + str(round(children_data1['bmi'].mean(), 2)))
print('The mean BMI for women with two children is ' + str(round(children_data2['bmi'].mean(), 2)))
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The mean BMI for women is 30.34
The mean BMI for women with no children is 30.55
The mean BMI for women with one children is 30.62
The mean BMI for women with two children is 30.98

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In [41]: histogram_boxplot(female_data['bmi'])
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Observation:

1. The mean of BMI for females appear to be around 30
2. There are few outliers
3. The histogram seem to represent a bell-shaped curve.

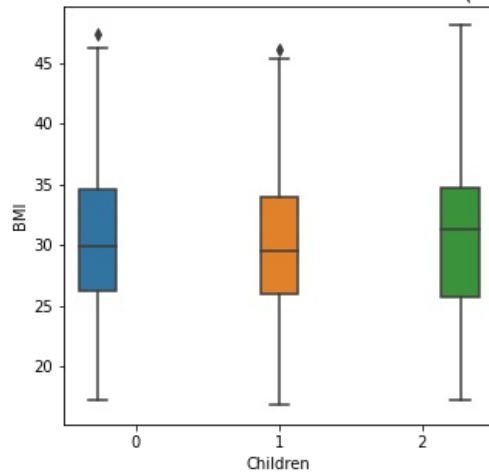
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In [42]: # mean of carbon emission at different levels of the fuel_type factor
print(female_data.groupby("children")["bmi"].mean())

# draw the boxplot for visualization
fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize = (5,5))
a = sns.boxplot(x= "children", y = 'bmi' , data = female_data, hue = 'children')
plt.legend().remove()
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plt.xlabel(xlabel = 'Children')
plt.ylabel(ylabel = 'BMI')
a.set_title("BMI of females w.r.t. Number of Children (3 levels)", fontsize=15)
plt.show()
```

```
children
0    30.361522
1    30.052658
2    30.649790
Name: bmi, dtype: float64
```

BMI of females w.r.t. Number of Children (3 levels)



Observation:

1. There are few outliers for BMI of females with 0 and 1 children.
2. The mean for BMI of 0, 1 and 2 children seem to be very close.

Now, the normality and equality of variance assumptions need to be checked.

- For testing of normality, Shapiro-Wilk's test is applied to the response variable.
- For equality of variance, Levene test is applied to the response variable.

Shapiro-Wilk's test

We will test the null hypothesis

H_0 : BMI follows a normal distribution against

against the alternative hypothesis

H_a : BMI does not follow a normal distribution

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In [43]: # find the p-value
w, p_value = stats.shapiro(female_data['bmi'])
print('The p-value is', p_value)
```

The p-value is 0.010864038951694965

Insight

Since the p_value 0.10 is less than the level of significance, we reject the null hypothesis. We don't have enough evidence to show that the BMI follows a normal distribution.

Levene's test

We will test the null hypothesis

H_0 : All the population variances are equal

against the alternative hypothesis

H_a : At least one variance is different from the rest

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In [44]: statistic, p_value = stats.levene( female_data['bmi'][female_data['children']== 0],
                                           female_data['bmi'][female_data['children']== 1],
                                           female_data['bmi'][female_data['children']== 2])

# find the p-value
print('The p-value is', p_value)
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The p-value is 0.3899432394522804

Insight

Since the p-value 0.389, is greater than the significance value, we fail to reject the null hypothesis of homogeneity of variances.

Assumptions:

1. Though the sample data does not follow the normal distribution, you can still use one-way ANOVA as it is quite robust against the normality assumption. It tolerates violations of the normality assumption rather well.
2. Samples are independent simple random samples - Yes, we are informed that the collected sample is a simple random sample.
3. Population variances are equal - Yes, the homogeneity of variance assumption is verified using the Levene's test.

Finding P-value using One-way ANOVA F-test

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In [45]: test_stat, p_value = stats.f_oneway(female_data.loc[female_data['children'] == 0, 'bmi'],
                                           female_data.loc[female_data['children'] == 1, 'bmi'],
                                           female_data.loc[female_data['children'] == 2, 'bmi'])
print('The p-value is ' + str(p_value))
print(test_stat)
```

The p-value is 0.7158579926754841
0.3344720147757968

Insight

Since the p-value 0.715, is higher than the level of significance, we fail to reject the null hypothesis. We have enough data to confirm that the BMI of females with no children, 1 children and 2 children are the same at a 0.05 level of significance.

Conclusion and Recommendation

Conclusion

1. As indicated in the correlation statistic most of the variables have very low correlation amongst each other.
2. The two variables with highest correlation are age and charges with 0.3 correlation. The lowest correlation is between age and BMI with 0.10 correlation. Most of these variables have no connection between each other as indicated by the heatmap and correlation statistic.
3. As there seems to be no relationship between each of the variables as indicated by the scatter plots and correlation statistics there need not be any further bivariate analysis.
4. As the p-value 2.944×10^{-103} is significantly lower than the level of significance, we can reject the null hypothesis. We have enough evidence to state that the mean of medical claim of smokers is much greater than of those that don't smoke at a 0.05 level of significance.
5. As the p-value is 0.089 which is higher than the level of significance, we fail to reject the null hypothesis. Hence, we have enough evidence to prove that the mean BMI of females is equal to that of males at 0.05 level of significance.
6. As the p-value 0.5 is greater than the significance level, we fail to reject the null hypothesis. Hence, we do not have enough evidence to conclude that smoking habit is not independent based on the region at a 0.05 level of significance.
7. Since the p-value 0.715, is higher than the level of significance, we fail to reject the null hypothesis. We have enough data to confirm that the BMI of females with no children, 1 children and 2 children are the same at a 0.05 level of significance.

Recommendation

1. Most of the variables do not correlate well with each other, so to conduct a better study and to make better business decisions it will be better to find variables that correlate well with each other based on the bivariate analysis.
2. Medical claim made by smokers is much greater than medical claim made by non-smokers as per the two-sample independent t-tests.
3. Mean BMI of females is equal to the mean BMI of males as per the Two-sample independent t-test.
4. Not enough evidence to conclude that the smoking habit is not independent of the region based on Chi-squared test.
5. Based on the One-Way ANOVA test, BMI of females with no children, 1 children and 2 children are the same.

