

Practice Project: Insurance Cost Analysis

Estimated time needed: 75 minutes

In this project, you have to perform analytics operations on an insurance database that uses the below mentioned parameters.

Parameter	Description	Content type		
age	Age in years	integer		
gender	Male or Female	integer (1 or 2)		
bmi	Body mass index	float		
no_of_children	Number of children	integer		
smoker	Whether smoker or not	integer (0 or 1)		
region	Which US region - NW, NE, SW, SE	integer (1,2,3 or 4 respectively)		
charges	Annual Insurance charges in USD	float		

Objectives

In this project, you will:

- Load the data as a pandas dataframe
- Clean the data, taking care of the blank entries
- Run exploratory data analysis (EDA) and identify the attributes that most affect the charges
- Develop single variable and multi variable Linear Regression models for predicting the charges
- Use Ridge regression to refine the performance of Linear regression models.

Setup

For this lab, we will be using the following libraries:

- skillsnetwork to download the data
- pandas for managing the data.
- numpy for mathematical operations.
- sklearn for machine learning and machine-learning-pipeline related functions.
- seaborn for visualizing the data.
- matplotlib for additional plotting tools.

The following required libraries are not pre-installed in the Skills Network Labs environment. You will need to run the following cell to install them:

```
In [1]: import piplite
  await piplite.install('seaborn')
```

Importing Required Libraries

We recommend you import all required libraries in one place (here):

```
In [2]: import pandas as pd
    import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
    import numpy as np
    import seaborn as sns
    from sklearn.pipeline import Pipeline
    from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler, PolynomialFeatures
    from sklearn.linear_model import LinearRegression, Ridge
    from sklearn.metrics import mean_squared_error, r2_score
    from sklearn.model_selection import cross_val_score, train_test_split
```

Download the dataset to this lab environment

Run the cell below to load the dataset to this lab environment.

Note: This version of the lab is working on JupyterLite, which requires the dataset to be downloaded to the interface. While working on the downloaded version of this notebook on their local machines (Jupyter Anaconda), the learners can simply **skip the steps above**, and simply use the URL directly in the pandas.read_csv() function. You can uncomment and run the statements in the cell below.

In []: #filepath = 'https://cf-courses-data.s3.us.cloud-object-storage.appdomain.cloud/IBMDeveloperSkillsNetwork-DA0101EN-Coursera/medical_ins #df = pd.read_csv(filepath, header=None)

Task 1: Import the dataset

Import the dataset into a pandas dataframe. Note that there are currently no headers in the CSV file.

Print the first 10 rows of the dataframe to confirm successful loading.

```
In [21]: df.head(10)
Out[21]: 19 1 27.9 0 1.1 3 16884.924
       0 18 2 33.770 1 0 4 1725.55230
        1 28 2 33.000 3
                         0 4 4449.46200
        2 33 2 22.705 0
                         0 1 21984.47061
        3 32 2 28.880 0
                         0 1
                               3866.85520
        4 31 1 25.740 0
                         ? 4 3756.62160
        5 46 1 33.440 1
                         0 4
                               8240.58960
        6 37 1 27.740 3 0 1 7281.50560
        7 37 2 29.830 2 0 2 6406.41070
        8 60 1 25.840 0 0 1 28923.13692
        9 25 2 26.220 0 0 2 2721.32080
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Add the headers to the dataframe, as mentioned in the project scenario.

```
In [22]: df.columns = ["age", "gender", "bmi", "no_of_children", "smoker", "region", "charges"]

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```

Now, replace the '?' entries with 'NaN' values.

```
In [24]: df.replace('?',np.nan,inplace=True)
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Task 2 : Data Wrangling

Use dataframe.info() to identify the columns that have some 'Null' (or NaN) information.

```
In [10]: df.info()
       <class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
       RangeIndex: 2771 entries, 0 to 2770
       Data columns (total 7 columns):
       # Column
                       Non-Null Count Dtype
                          -----
           ----
                         2767 non-null object
       0 age
           gender
                         2771 non-null int64
           bmi
                          2771 non-null
                                        float64
           no_of_children 2771 non-null int64
                          2764 non-null object
           smoker
           region
                          2771 non-null
                                        int64
                          2771 non-null float64
           charges
       dtypes: float64(2), int64(3), object(2)
       memory usage: 130.0+ KB
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Handle missing data:

- For continuous attributes (e.g., age), replace missing values with the mean.
- For categorical attributes (e.g., smoker), replace missing values with the most frequent value.
- Update the data types of the respective columns.
- Verify the update using df.info().

```
In []: mean_age = df['age'].astype('float').mean(axis=0)
    df["age"].replace(np.nan, mean_age, inplace=True)

is_smoker = df['smoker'].value_counts().idxmax()
    df["smoker"].replace(np.nan, is_smoker, inplace=True)

df[["age","smoker"]] = df[["age","smoker"]].astype("int")
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Also note, that the charges column has values which are more than 2 decimal places long. Update the charges column such that all values are rounded to nearest 2 decimal places. Verify conversion by printing the first 5 values of the updated dataframe.

```
In [32]: df['charges'] = np.round(df['charges'],2)
```

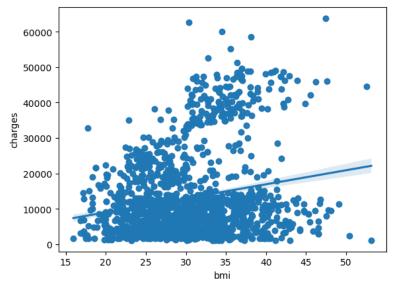
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Task 3: Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA)

Implement the regression plot for $\mbox{ charges }$ with respect to $\mbox{ bmi }$.

```
In [33]: sns.regplot(x='bmi',y='charges',data=df)
```



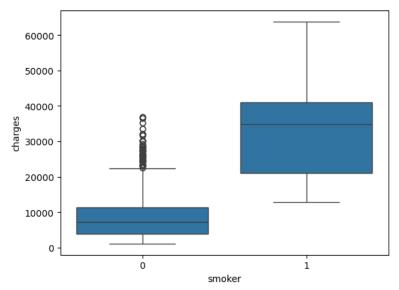


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Implement the box plot for charges with respect to smoker.

```
In [34]: sns.boxplot(x='smoker',y='charges',data=df)
```

Out[34]: <AxesSubplot:xlabel='smoker', ylabel='charges'>



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Print the correlation matrix for the dataset.

In [35]: df.corr()

Out[35]:

	age	gender	bmi	no_of_children	smoker	region	charges
age	1.000000	-0.026584	0.112859	0.037126	-0.022290	-0.006969	0.298892
gender	-0.026584	1.000000	0.042766	0.015693	0.083125	0.022360	0.062959
bmi	0.112859	0.042766	1.000000	-0.001642	0.011824	0.271200	0.199906
no_of_children	0.037126	0.015693	-0.001642	1.000000	0.007016	-0.025594	0.066551
smoker	-0.022290	0.083125	0.011824	0.007016	1.000000	0.053839	0.789141
region	-0.006969	0.022360	0.271200	-0.025594	0.053839	1.000000	0.054018
charges	0.298892	0.062959	0.199906	0.066551	0.789141	0.054018	1.000000

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Task 4: Model Development

Fit a linear regression model that may be used to predict the charges value, just by using the smoker attribute of the dataset. Print the \mathbb{R}^2 score of this model.

```
In [38]: lr = LinearRegression()
    lr.fit(df[['smoker']],df[['charges']])
    print(lr.score(df[['smoker']],df[['charges']]))
```

0.6227430402464125

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Fit a linear regression model that may be used to predict the charges value, just by using all other attributes of the dataset. Print the R^2 score of this model. You should see an improvement in the performance.

0.7505888664568174

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Create a training pipeline that uses StandardScaler(), PolynomialFeatures() and LinearRegression() to create a model that can predict the charges value using all the other attributes of the dataset. There should be even further improvement in the performance.

```
In [43]: pipe = Pipeline([('scale',StandardScaler()),('polynomial',PolynomialFeatures()),('model',LinearRegression())])
    pipe.fit(X.astype('float'),Y)
    ypipe = pipe.predict(X.astype('float'))
    print(r2_score(Y,ypipe))
    0.8452536178009997
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Task 5: Model Refinement

Split the data into training and testing subsets, assuming that 20% of the data will be reserved for testing.

```
In [44]: x_train,x_test,y_train,y_test = train_test_split(X,Y, test_size=0.2,random_state=1)
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Initialize a Ridge regressor that used hyperparameter lpha=0.1. Fit the model using training data data subset. Print the R^2 score for the testing data.

```
In [46]: rm = Ridge(alpha=0.1)
    rm.fit(x_train,y_train)
    yhat = rm.predict(x_test)
    print(r2_score(y_test,yhat))
    0.7254198858412217
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Apply polynomial transformation to the training parameters with degree=2. Use this transformed feature set to fit the same regression model, as above, using the training subset. Print the \mathbb{R}^2 score for the testing subset.

```
In [49]: pr = PolynomialFeatures(degree=2)
    x_train_pr = pr.fit_transform(x_train)
    x_test_pr = pr.fit_transform(x_test)

rm1 = Ridge(alpha=0.1)
    rm1.fit(x_train_pr,y_train)
    yhat1 = rm1.predict(x_test_pr)
    print(r2_score(y_test,yhat1))
```

0.8208413195172275

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Congratulations! You have completed this project

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