1. [Introduction]

The underlying model predicts the time required to eat meal based on three features i.e., category of meal (Breakfast, lunch and dinner). The given prediction is done using poisson regression.

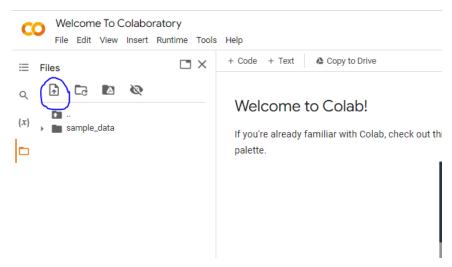
2. [Installation]

All the required libraries are imported in the ipynb file.

Note: If another IDE is used then please install the libraries. pip install scikit-learn pandas numpy

3. [Usage]

- Open https://colab.google/
- Click on the open collab button.
- Click on upload and then click on browse.
- Select the 'Q1.ipynb' file and upload it.
- Click on 'upload to session storage'. Please do not upload it in any other folder.



- Select the 'mess data.csv" file and upload it.
- Run all the cells in the order.

4. [Data]

The collected dataset have time for meal in Date and time format.

- Convert the Total time value into integer values. Integer values can be in minutes or seconds.
- I have converted them to seconds instead of minutes for a better accuracy of the prediction model.
- Days are numbered from as monday = 1 to sunday = 7
- Category represents 1 = Breakfast; 2 = Lunch; and 3 = Dinner
- Holiday column: 0 = No and 1 = Yes

5. [Results]

Poisson Regression Metrics: MAE train data: 72.52640467490252 seconds Linear Regression Metrics: MAE test data: 73.61158226726073 seconds

The value of mean_absolute_error for the model created is almost the same as the linear regression model.