Bonus Assignment

This assignment is hard. It's meant to be a way for you to distinguish yourself in this class, and to show off your skills in python, data manipulation, and visualization. It's also the only way you can achieve an A+ in the course, and is worth up to 5% of your final grade, though it's expected that of the few who attempt the assignment most will only get partial grades. For this assignment, there is no help provided by the teaching staff, because of bandwidth constraints, but you are welcome to discuss with your peers and share information on how to accomplish the tasks (but no code sharing, please!). Impress me!

In preparing the MADS curriculum I had a discussion with a colleague about the value of dashboards and information visualization. Dashboards are now ubiquitous in any consumer-facing analytics system, yet knowledge of their effectiveness, utility, or even ideas towards design patterns for building dashboards are limited. In this bonus assignment, you will explore the creation of a dashboard for the bulk of fitness data I've put in your coursera resources/bonus folder. This folder is made up of ~200 files which are in the Flexible and Interoperable Data Transfer, and include temporal, geographic, and sensor-based measurement data related to activity.

As you know, I already have a couple of dashboards at my disposal, and I've included a copy of my strava dashboard for a single activity, and my garmin dashboard for a single activity as appendices in this assignment. What I want you to do is to design me a new dashboard, all within the Jupyter notebook environment. I have four three requirements three requirements for this dashboard:

- 1. It should be based on one or more well articulated design principles. I expect a short description of how you designed the dashboard to align with some design principles.
- 2. You must use some Jupyter widgets to add interactivity. You might find the following links useful:
 - 1. https://ipywidgets.readthedocs.io/en/latest/examples/Widget%20List.html#
 - 2. https://towardsdatascience.com/bring-your-jupyter-notebook-to-life-with-interactive-widgets-bc12e03f0916
 - 3. https://medium.com/plotly/introducing-jupyterdash-811f1f57c02e
- 3. You must take advantage of the three dimensions of the data temporal, geographical, and analytical in your dashboard.

Frequently Asked Questions

1. Q. How do I work with FIT data?

A. We've installed the <u>python-fitparse</u> library for you to manipulate the data. The following code example will parse all of the datafiles and print out the mean heart rate and time, you might find it handy to start with this.

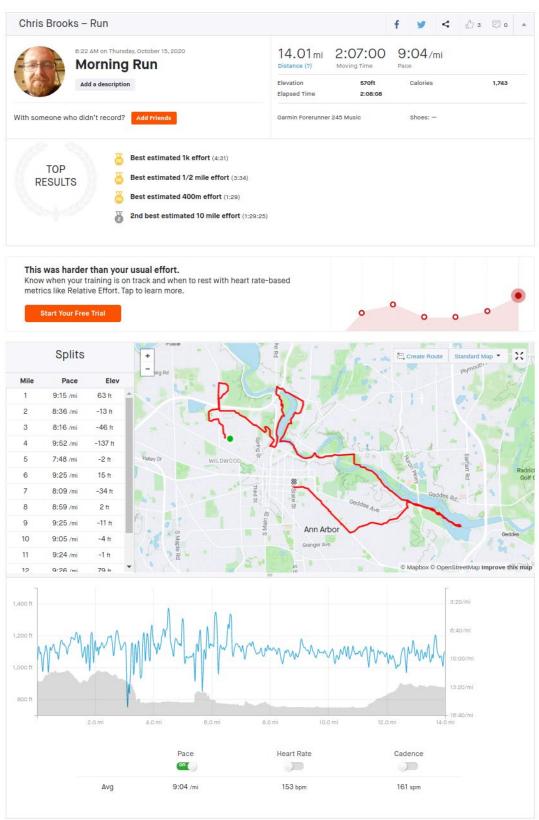
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import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
from fitparse import FitFile
datafiles=!ls bonus/*.fit
for datafile in datafiles:
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with FitFile(open(datafile, 'rb')) as fitfile:
    df=pd.DataFrame([record.get_values() for record in fitfile.get_messages('record')])
    if "timestamp" in df and "heart_rate" in df and len(df['heart_rate'].dropna())>0:
        print(f"Mean heart rate for activity on (df['timestamp'].iloc[0]) was {np.nanmean(df['heart_rate'])}.")
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2. Q. How do I submit the bonus?

A. Email it directly to Chris at <u>brooksch@umich.edu</u> by the deadline, **which is November 23rd at 11:59 PM EST**. Please include your notebook, datafiles (other than the fit files), and a PDF or something easy for Chris to read!

Appendix 1: Strava Dashboard Example



Appendix 2: Garmin Connect Dashboard Example

