OPIM 5603 — Statistics in Business Analytics Fall 2019, University of Connecticut

Homework 2 - v2

Instructions: Please complete the following questions and submit them as an RNotebook (as an Rmd file) via the submission link on HuskyCT. You must submit the assignment by the time and due date listed on the course syllabus. Failure to submit a file by the deadline will result in a score of 0 on the assignment.

Set the heading of the RNotebook as an html_document. Add your name and a date to the header as well. The solution to each problem should be a separate section (specified by #), and each subproblem should be set as a subsection (specified as ##). For example, for Problem 2, you should have a section titled Problem 2, specified by:

Problem 2

in your RNotebook. Also, for subproblem b in Problem 2, you should have a subsection, specified by:

Problem 2b

As with all course material, the problems appearing in this homework assignment are taken from the instructor's real-world experiences, from other courses taught at the University of Connecticut, and from the sources listed in the course syllabus.

Note that R code submitted should work independent of the data that sits in the data structure. For example, suppose there was a vector $\mathbf{r}_{-}\mathbf{vec}$ with the values (1,2,6) and the problem asks for you to create R code to create a vector \mathbf{answer} which doubles each element of $\mathbf{r}_{-}\mathbf{vec}$. The answer

$$\texttt{answer} \leftarrow c(2,4,12)$$

would be given no credit. The answer

$$answer \leftarrow 2*r_vec$$

would be an appropriate answer. If you have any questions, please submit them via email to the instructor and/or the teaching assistant prior to submitting your solution.

Problem 1 (40 points)

By default, R provides several packages that are downloaded and loaded. One data set is called women, which is a data frame and is available in the base package of R, i.e., it is automatically available.

- a. How many variables are in this data frame? What does each variable represent? Don't forget to include units.
- b. Calculate the body mass index (Weight in lbs*703/height in inches²) for every observation and create a variable BMI which records the output.
- c. You can add a variable x that you want to name name to a dataframe df by writing

$$df[name] = x.$$

Add the BMI to women with an appropriate column name.

- d. Calculate the arithmetic mean, standard deviation, skewness, and kurtosis of the BMIs without using any package or functions, except for sum() and length(), together with standard mathematical operators.
- e. Is the distribution of BMIs skewed? If so, in what direction? Explain.
- f. Is the distribution of BMIs leptokurtic, mesokurtic, or platykurtic? Explain.

Problem 2 (40 points)

In fantasy sports, participants select collections of players that accumulate points throughout a sport game. In this problem we will be exploring the distribution of points that players accumulate and their projections.

- a. Consider the data set filtered_qb.csv which contains records from top quarterback from last NFL season. Load the data into R.
- b. Calculate the arithmetic mean, standard deviation, and skew for both the projection variable and the actual variable. Are there any noticable differences in the central tendency, variability, or shape of the two variables?
- c. R has a built-in function called fivenum which calculates the five number summary. It returns a vector of length five that reports the five number summary. Create a vector called our.five.sum which stores the five number summary for the actuals variable. Print the median of this variable by indexing the appropriate value in our.five.sum.
- d. R has tremendous plotting capabilities.
 - Use the function boxplot() to create two box plots, one for each variable (projections and actuals). You need only provide one argument, which is the variable.
 - Use the function plot() to create a scatter plot showing the relationship between projections and actuals. Provide just two inputs to the functions, the two variables of interest. Does it look like the projections are fairly accurate?
 - Use the function hist() to create two histograms, one for each variable (projections and actuals). You need only provide one argument, which is the variable.
 - The functions for plotting variables have many arguments that are customizable. Use the help() function to explore some of these. Specifically, for histograms, explore the optional argument breaks, set it to 10 and to 30 to see the differences in the actuals histogram.

Problem 3 (20 points)

From ISwR package, use the cars data frame for the following questions.

- a. How many rows are in this data frame?
- b. Create a copy of the cars data frame and assign it to copy_cars.
- c. Divide the dist with speed in copy_cars and assign it to a new variable called time within copy_cars. Round this to 2 nearest decimals.
- d. R has a function head() which displays the top rows of a dataframe. Print the top 14 rows of copy_cars using the head() function.
- e. Calculate the median of the time variable using the function median().
- f. Print Q1 and Q3 by extracting the value in the relevant position of the five number summary.