Web Science: Assignment #4

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Problem 1

Determine if the friendship paradox holds for my Facebook account.* Compute the mean, median and standard deviation of the number of friends that my friends have. Create a graph of the number of friends (y-axis) and the friends themselves, sorted by number of friends (y-axis).

SOLUTION:

1. To Compute Mean

```
Mean = Sum of all the Friend's friend Count / Total Friend Count
```

2. To compute Median

```
Median = Middle Item of the Sorted Friends count
```

3. To compute Standard Deviation

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Standard Deviation = SquareRoot {Sum of all([Square(friend count - Mean)])
/Total Friend Count}
```

Listing 1: Assignment4 1.py

```
#This is a Python2 Program
import csv
import math
from astropy.table import Table
import numpy as np
friend_Dict= {}
total\_Count = 0
friend_List = []
friend Count = 0
friend\_Mean = 0
friend_Median = 0
friend_SD = 0
count=1
friend_count = 0
def mean():
     global friend_Mean
     friend_Mean = round((total_Count / friend_Count),2)
     return friend Mean
def median():
     global friend_Median
     mid = 0
     friend_List.sort(key=int)
     mid = len(friend_List) / 2
     if (mid == 0):
          friend_Median = friend_List[mid]
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else:
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             mid = mid +1
             friend_Median = friend_List[mid]
        return friend_Median
   def SD():
        global friend_SD
        global friend_Mean
        SD_Sum = 0
        for num in friend_List:
             SD_Sum = SD_Sum + ((int(num) - int(friend_Mean))
                                  * (int(num) - int(friend_Mean)))
        #print('SD_Sum',SD_Sum)
        friend_SD = round(math.sqrt(SD_Sum / friend_Count),2)
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        return friend_SD
   with open ('acnwala-friendscount.csv') as csvfile:
        total\_Count = 0
        readCSV = csv.reader(csvfile, delimiter=',')
        for row in readCSV:
             if "FRIENDCOUNT" in row[1]:
                  continue
             else:
                  friend_List.append(row[1])
                  total_Count = total_Count + int(row[1])
                  friend_Count = friend_Count + 1
        print (total_Count)
   friend_List.sort(key=int)
   f = open('fb-Friends.txt','w')
   for num in friend_List:
        print (num)
        f.write(str(count)+", "+str(num))
        f.write('\n')
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        count = count + 1
        friend_count = friend_count + int(num)
   f.close()
   mean = [str(mean())]
   median = [str(median())]
   SD = [str(SD())]
   tableList = Table([mean, median, SD], names=('MEAN', 'MEDIAN', 'STANDARD DEVIATION'))
   print (tableList)
```

Listing 2: graph4_1.py

```
#This is a Python2 Program
   import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
   import csv
   x = []
   y = []
   with open ('fb-Friends.txt','r') as csvfile:
      plots = csv.reader(csvfile, delimiter=',')
10
       for row in plots:
           x.append(int(row[0]))
           y.append(int(row[1]))
  plt.plot(x,y)
   plt.plot(11,98,marker=".", color='red',markersize=12)
   plt.annotate('Dr. Nwala\'s Friends : 98' , xy=(17, 98))
  plt.plot(52,431,marker=".", color='red',markersize=12)
  plt.annotate('Median : 431' , xy=(40, 500))
  plt.plot(63,536.67,marker=".", color='red',markersize=12)
   plt.annotate('Standard Deviation: 536.67', xy=(63, 350),)
  plt.plot(65,542,marker=".", color='red',markersize=12)
   plt.annotate('Mean : 542' , xy=(65, 700))
  plt.xlim(0, 105)
  plt.xlabel('Facebook Friends')
   plt.ylabel('No. of Friends for Each Friend')
  plt.title('Facebook Friends Vs Each Friend count')
   plt.legend()
  plt.show()
```

The below plot will show the friendship paradox for Dr.Alexander Nwala's facebook account

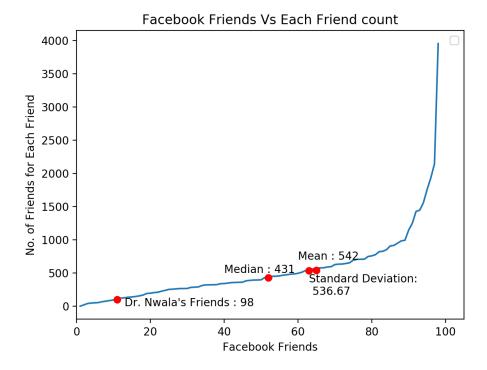


Figure 1: Friends vs Friends Count (Facebook)

Problem 2

Determine if the friendship paradox holds for your Twitter account. Since Twitter is a directed graph, use "followers" as value you measure (i.e., "do your followers have more followers than you?")..

Generate the same graph as in question number 1, and calculate the same mean, standard deviation, and median values..

SOLUTION

The program requires to use the access tokens generated while creating the twitter developer account.

1. Download and install the twitter API i.e. **tweepy**:

```
pip install tweepy
```

2. Currently running the tweepy on the acrowala twitter handle:

```
user = tweepy.Cursor(api.followers, screen_name=twitter_handle,
count=200).items()
```

The above statement will fetch all the followers details in JSON for the twitter handle.

Listing 3: Assignment4 2.py

```
#This is a Python2 Program
import tweepy
import time
import csv
import math
from astropy.table import Table
#My twitter Account keys
ckey = 'mtDSeNYtJUZkKfspxTFmk7Nn8'
csecret = 'iYg5kksoIQKGsXVwGZ7bYpH0cFlxonNPg9hyhDKdGoP89bic6G'
atoken = '1094978973245812738-msYR1atvDnyfTT046shWdnp5SIJcAA'
asecret = 'EMdqw7fA4IfkDYzKBqNQfoe5sAwz7dgCcRTWkpZOteUKd'
#Login Verifiavtion
auth = tweepy.auth.OAuthHandler(ckey, csecret)
auth.set_access_token(atoken, asecret)
api = tweepy.API(auth, wait_on_rate_limit=True)
if (api.verify_credentials):
    print ('Logged in successfully')
total\_count = 0
listDict = {}
twitter_handle='acnwala'
friend_Mean = 0
friend_Median = 0
friend_SD = 0
friend_List = []
```

```
count = 1
   friend\_count = 0
   def mean():
       global friend_Mean
       friend_Mean = round((friend_count / total_count),2)
       return friend_Mean
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   def median():
       {f global} friend_Median
       mid = 0
40
       friend_List.sort(key=int)
       avg = len(friend_List) % 2
       if(avg == 0):
           mid = len(friend_List) / 2
           friend_Median = friend_List[mid]
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       else:
           mid = len(friend_List) / 2
           mid = mid + 1
           friend_Median = friend_List[mid]
       return friend_Median
   def SD():
       global friend_SD
       global friend_Mean
55
       stdDeviationSum = 0
       for num in friend_List:
           stdDeviationSum = stdDeviationSum + ((int(num) - int(friend_Mean))
                                                  * (int(num) - int(friend_Mean)))
           # print('stdDeviationSum', stdDeviationSum)
60
           friend_SD = round(math.sqrt(stdDeviationSum / total_count),2)
       return friend_SD
   for follower in tweepy.Cursor(api.followers, screen_name=twitter_handle).items():
       total_count = total_count + 1
65
       listDict[follower.screen_name] = follower.friends_count
       friend_List.append(follower.friends_count)
   friend_List.sort(key=int)
   f = open('twitterFollowers-Friends.txt','w')
   for friendCount in friend_List:
       f.write(str(count)+","+str(friendCount))
       f.write('\n')
       count = count + 1
       friend_count = friend_count + friendCount
   f.close()
   mean = [str(mean())]
   median = [str(median())]
so SD = [str(SD())]
```

```
tableList = Table([mean, median, SD], names=('MEAN', 'MEDIAN', 'STANDARD DEVIATION'))
print (tableList)
```

Listing 4: graph4_2.py

```
#This is a Python2 Program
   import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
   import csv
  x = []
   y = []
   with open ('twitterFollowers-Friends.txt','r') as csvfile:
      plots = csv.reader(csvfile, delimiter=',')
       for row in plots:
           x.append(int(row[0]))
           y.append(int(row[1]))
15 plt.plot(x,y)
  plt.plot(65,250,marker='.', color='red',markersize=12)
   plt.annotate('Dr.Nwala\'s Followers:250', xy=(2, 620))
   plt.plot(117,560,marker='.', color='red',markersize=12)
  plt.annotate('Median:560', xy=(120, 150))
  plt.plot(185,1461.0,marker='.', color='red',markersize=12)
   plt.annotate('Mean:1461.0', xy=(190, 1260))
   plt.plot(225, 3634.72, marker='.', color='red', markersize=12)
   plt.annotate('Standard\nDeviation:3634.72', xy=(140, 4000))
  plt.xlim(0, 300)
  plt.ylim(0, 10000)
  plt.xlabel('All Followers')
   plt.ylabel('No. of Friends for Each Follower')
  plt.title('Twitter Followers Vs Each Follower\'s Friend count')
  plt.legend()
  plt.show()
```

The below plot will show the friendship paradox for **Dr.Alexander Nwala's** twitter handle.

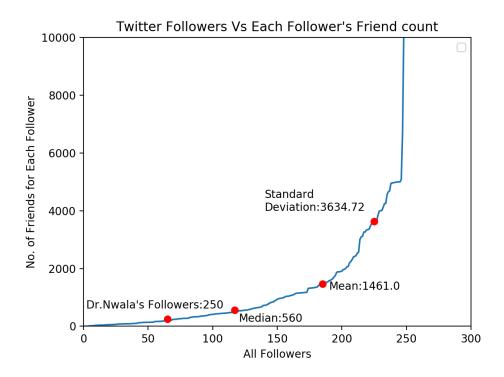


Figure 2: Followers vs Followers Count (Twitter)

The Sorted friend's list can be found in the twitterFollowers-Friends.txt text file.

Problem 3

Repeat question number 2, but change "followers" to "following"? In other words, are the people I am following following more people?

SOLUTION

The program requires to use the access tokens generated while creating the twitter developer account .

1. Running the tweepy on the **acnwala** twitter handle:

```
user = tweepy.Cursor(api.friends, screen_name=twitter_handle,
count=200).items()
```

The above statement will fetch all the friends list in JSON for the twitter handle.

Listing 5: AssignmentExC4 4.py

```
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   import tweepy
   import time
   import csv
   import math
   from astropy.table import Table
   #My twitter Account keys
   ckey = 'mtDSeNYtJUZkKfspxTFmk7Nn8'
   csecret = 'iYg5kksoIQKGsXVwGZ7bYpH0cFlxonNPg9hyhDKdGoP89bic6G'
   atoken = '1094978973245812738-msYR1atvDnyfTT046shWdnp5SIJcAA'
   asecret = 'EMdqw7fA4IfkDYzKBqNQfoe5sAwz7dqCcRTWkpZOteUKd'
   #Login Verifiavtion
   auth = tweepy.auth.OAuthHandler(ckey, csecret)
   auth.set_access_token(atoken, asecret)
   api = tweepy.API(auth, wait_on_rate_limit=True)
   if (api.verify_credentials):
       print ('Logged in successfully')
   total\_count = 0
   listDict = {}
   twitter_handle='acnwala'
   friend\_Mean = 0
   friend_Median = 0
   friend_SD = 0
   friend_List = []
   count = 1
   friend_count = 0
   def mean():
       global friend_Mean
       friend_Mean = round((friend_count / total_count),2)
       return friend_Mean
35
```

```
def median():
       global friend_Median
       mid = 0
       friend_List.sort(key=int)
       avg = len(friend_List) % 2
       if(avg == 0):
           mid = len(friend_List) / 2
           friend_Median = friend_List[mid]
       else:
           mid = len(friend_List) / 2
           mid = mid + 1
           friend_Median = friend_List[mid]
       return friend_Median
   def SD():
       global friend_SD
       global friend_Mean
       stdDeviationSum = 0
       for num in friend_List:
           stdDeviationSum = stdDeviationSum + ((int(num) - int(friend_Mean))
                                                 * (int(num) - int(friend_Mean)))
           # print('stdDeviationSum', stdDeviationSum)
           friend_SD = round(math.sqrt(stdDeviationSum / total_count),2)
60
       return friend_SD
   for follower in tweepy.Cursor(api.friends, screen_name=twitter_handle).items():
       total_count = total_count + 1
       listDict[follower.screen_name] = follower.friends_count
65
       friend_List.append(follower.friends_count)
   friend_List.sort(key=int)
   f = open('twitterFollowing.txt','w')
   for friendCount in friend_List:
       f.write(str(count)+","+str(friendCount))
       f.write('\n')
       count = count + 1
       friend_count = friend_count + friendCount
   f.close()
   mean = [str(mean())]
   median = [str(median())]
   SD = [str(SD())]
   tableList = Table([mean, median, SD], names=('MEAN', 'MEDIAN', 'STANDARD DEVIATION'))
   print (tableList)
```

Listing 6: graphExC4_4.py

```
#This is a Python2 Program
   import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
   import csv
  x = []
  y = []
   with open('twitterFollowing.txt','r') as csvfile:
      plots = csv.reader(csvfile, delimiter=',')
       for row in plots:
10
           x.append(int(row[0]))
           y.append(int(row[1]))
  plt.plot(x,y)
plt.plot(10,92,marker='.', color='red',markersize=12)
   plt.annotate('Dr.Nwala\'s Friends: 92', xy=(1, 392))
   plt.plot(43,461,marker='.', color='red',markersize=12)
   plt.annotate('Median: 461' , xy=(42, 121))
  plt.plot(73.5,1255,marker='.', color='red',markersize=12)
   plt.annotate('Mean: 1255.0', xy=(76, 1250.0))
  plt.plot(81.5,2625,marker='.', color='red',markersize=12)
   plt.annotate('Standard\nDeviation: 2625.42', xy=(51, 2500.42))
  plt.ylim(0, 7000)
  plt.xlim(0, 100)
  plt.xlabel('All Friends')
   plt.ylabel('No. of Friends for Each Friend')
  plt.title('Twitter Friends Vs Each Friend count')
  plt.legend()
  plt.show()
```

The below plot will show the friendship paradox for Dr.Alexander Nwala's twitter handle.

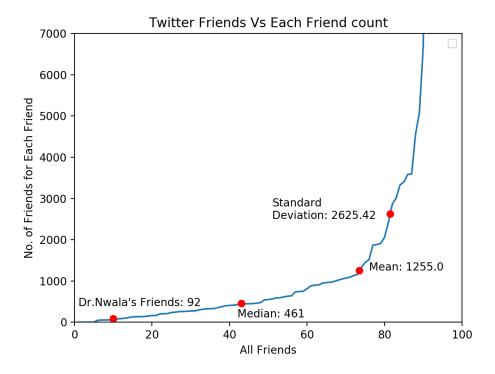


Figure 3: Following vs Following Count (Twitter)

The Sorted friend's list can be found in the twitterFollowing.txt text file.