

Thanks for considering Numerator :)

Objective

You will have 3 days to solve the following problems. Please ZIP all of your python and data files (including the CSV), as well as any instructions (as a readme). At or before the deadline, please send the ZIP file to your contact.

Instructions

Here is some data on MLB Player Salaries:

- [mlb_salaries.csv](#)

Complete the next **three** problems using this dataset.

Requirements

- You must use Python or R
- Package all your relevant code and data files (including the CSV) as a ZIP to send to your contact
- Cite any references you used, especially if you borrowed code from them (Stack Overflow post, Gist, Wikipedia)

Suggestions

- If you are using R, the preferred output of each problem is *charts*
- If you are using Python, a table/dataframe of results is sufficient
- Make sure to practice software best practices: we will grade for correctness as well as code quality

1. Average Player Salaries

Player salaries notoriously seem to increase every year, but to what extent?

- a. Calculate the average player salaries by year (X-axis: Year, Y-axis: Avg. Player Salary)
- b. Which year had the highest average player salary?

2. Salary Trends

Is there ever a point where a player's salary starts to decline?

- a. Calculate players' salary change based on their tenure in the league (X-axis: Years in league, Y-axis: Percent salary change)
- b. Is there a year in a player's career where their salary starts to decline?

3. Salary Variance

There is no league-imposed team salary cap in baseball, so some teams pay considerably more than others.

- a. Calculate the standard deviation in team salary over the last 30 years (X-axis: Year, Y-axis: Std dev of team salaries)
- b. Is there a trend in the standard deviation?