Senior Project - Exploratory Data Analysis Using Python

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1 e-Commerce Exploratory Data Analysis Using Python

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Date: Tuesday, April 3rd, 2018 This is a project of doing an exploratory data analysis (EDA) in Python Jupyter Notebook. This project is part II of the first phase, which is a comparison of the EDA process using R Markdown. We will run a parallel analysis and compare the two softwares while providing essential background information on the advantages and capabilities of the two softwares.

First, let's import the packages needed to create the plots we will use to describe our data as well as making hypptheses. We start with the **pandas**, **numpy**, and **matplotib** packages which are very useful for data exploration.

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In [40]: # import python packages
    import pandas as pd
    import numpy as np
    import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
    from pandas import ExcelWriter
    from pandas import ExcelFile
```

We will use the *read_excel* module from **pandas** package to import the Excel spreadsheet containing the Zappos cutomer transactions. We can take a look at the columns and the type of data each holds. We can also identify the number of missing values for each columns as well as their range if they are type *int*.

In [42]: mydata.head(25)

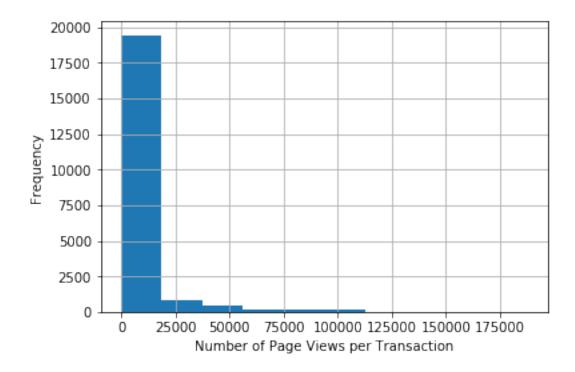
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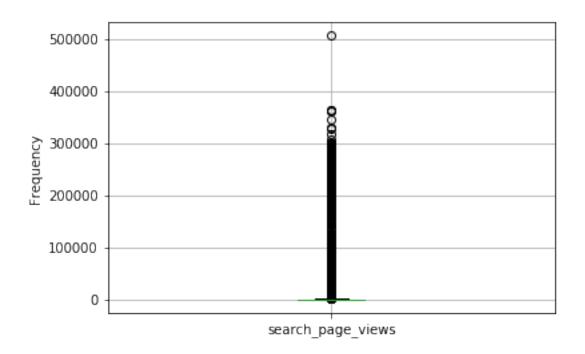
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In [44]: mydata['new_customer'].value_counts()
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         Name: new_customer, dtype: int64
In [45]: mydata['product_page_views'].hist()
         plt.xlabel("Number of Page Views per Transaction")
         plt.ylabel("Frequency")
Out[45]: Text(0,0.5,'Frequency')
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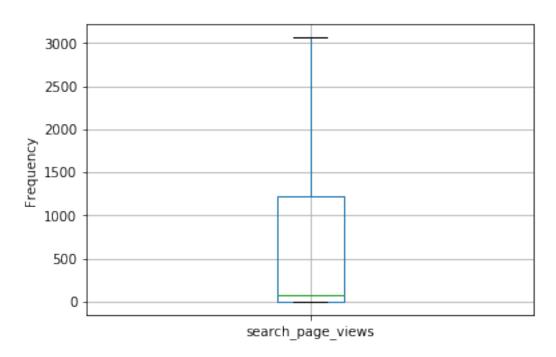


As we can see in the above histogram there are a few extreme values or outliers. Plotting such distributions will help us in understanding how these outliers can affect the statistical assumptions and analysis of our data. Next, let us take a look at boxplots of some of columns in **mydata**.

Below are two boxplots of the *search_page_views* column with extreme values and without extreme values. The first plot shows a heavy presence of outliers, which makes our distribution very skewed. From the second plot, we can see that the minimum value is the same as the 1st (lower) quartile.

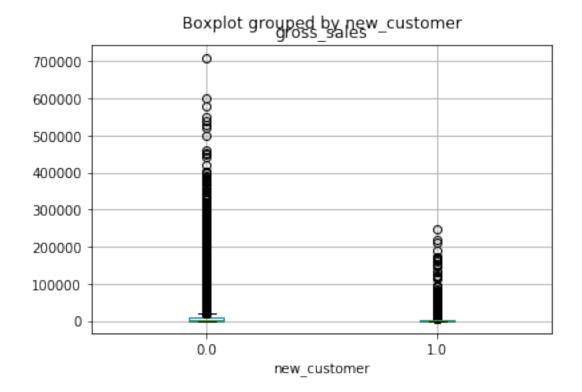


Out[47]: Text(0,0.5,'Frequency')

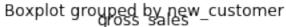


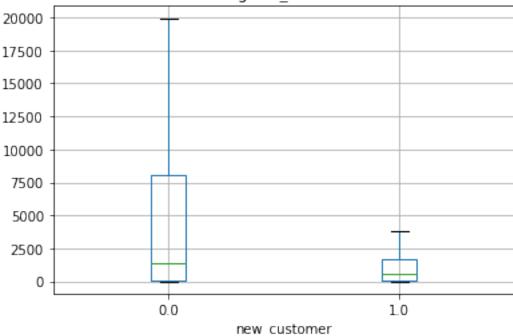
One question we may ask is what is the comparison between the gross sales made by new customers (1) versus returning customers (0). Using the below two boxplots, we are able to see that the median and range of gross sales for returning customers is quite bigger than those of new customers. However, both plots indicate that the distribution of the gross sales for each type of customer dimension is skewed right. The first boxplot shows countless outliers that make it nearly impossile to see the spread of the data column. By removing the outliers, we get a better look of the distribution (second plot).

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In [48]: mydata.boxplot(column='gross_sales', by= 'new_customer')
Out[48]: <matplotlib.axes._subplots.AxesSubplot at 0x13f7cef6668>
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In [49]: mydata.boxplot(column='gross_sales', by= 'new_customer', showfliers=False)
Out[49]: <matplotlib.axes._subplots.AxesSubplot at 0x13f7be0f588>
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We can see how strong the relationship between the types of customers we've had and gross sales by finding the correlation coefficient, which will solidfy the evidence we saw in the distribution plots. The results shows that there isn't a strong nor positive relationship between the users and the gross sales.

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In [50]: mydata['new_customer'].corr(mydata['gross_sales'])
Out[50]: -0.21188490786384043
```

We want to see the sales, orders, visits and bounces by month. First, we will have to convert *day* to be datetime format using the **datetime** package.

```
In [51]: import datetime

    mydata['year'] = pd.DatetimeIndex(mydata['day']).year
    mydata['month'] = pd.DatetimeIndex(mydata['day']).month
    mydata['dow'] = pd.DatetimeIndex(mydata['day']).weekday_name
    mydata['myday'] = pd.DatetimeIndex(mydata['day']).day

    print(mydata['year'])
    print(mydata['month'])
    print(mydata['dow'])
    print(mydata['myday'])
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After creating new columns **year**, **month**, **dow** to hold the year, month and day of the week (Monday-Sunday), we can find the distributions grouped by these columns.

Sales by Month

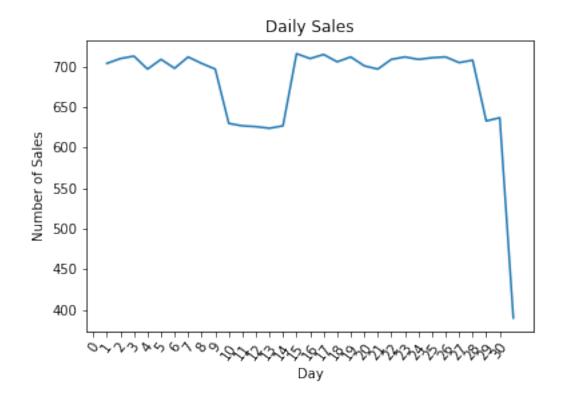
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In [52]: #Sales
         sales_by_month = mydata.groupby(mydata['month']).size()
         print(sales_by_month)
         #Plotting the graph
         plot_by_month = sales_by_month.plot(title='Monthly Sales', xticks=(1,2,6,7,8,9,10,11,
         plot_by_month.set_xlabel('Months')
         plot_by_month.set_ylabel('Number of Sales')
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dtype: int64
Out[52]: Text(0,0.5,'Number of Sales')
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Sales by Day

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In [53]: #Sales
         sales_by_day = mydata.groupby(mydata['myday']).size()
         print(sales_by_day)
         #Plotting the graph
         sales_by_day = sales_by_day.plot(title='Daily Sales', xticks=(range(0,31)), rot=55)
         sales_by_day.set_xlabel('Day')
         sales_by_day.set_ylabel('Number of Sales')
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Out[53]: Text(0,0.5,'Number of Sales')



Sales by Day of the Week

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In [54]: #Sales
         sales_by_dow = mydata.groupby(mydata['dow']).size()
         print(sales_by_dow)
         #Plotting the graph
         sales_by_dow = sales_by_dow.plot(title='Day of Week Sales', xticks = range(0,7), rot=
         sales_by_dow.set_xlabel('Day of Week')
         sales_by_dow.set_ylabel('Number of Sales')
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Sunday
             2971
Thursday
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Tuesday
             3151
Wednesday
             3001
dtype: int64
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Out[54]: Text(0,0.5,'Number of Sales')

