

Lab 4: Univariate and Bivariate Data Exploration

- 1) A study was done on a sample of first year students at a university. The study measured the students resting pulse rate, height and weight as well as noting their gender. The data is available in pulse.csv.
 - a) Construct a histogram of the resting pulse rate of all the students. Comment on what the frequency distribution indicates about the distribution of students' resting pulse rate.
 - b) Determine the five-number summary for the resting pulse rate of males and females separately.
 - c) Draw a comparative box-plot of resting pulse rate as a function of gender, ensuring that all axes are well labelled.
 - d) Comment on any similarities and differences (as shown in the comparative box-plot) in the resting pulse rates of males and females.
 - e) Find the mean and standard deviation of the resting pulse rate of each of the samples of males and females.
 - f) Compare the mean with the median of each gender. What do these comparisons indicate about the distributions?
 - g) Construct a suitable graph to determine if there is an association between gender and smoker.
- 2) A sample of blood pressure for a group of adult aged 24 to 50 was collected and the data is available in bp.csv. These subjects are divided into 3 groups based on the systolic and diastolic blood pressure values:

NORMAL – both the systolic blood pressure is within its normal range (between 90 and 139) and the diastolic blood pressure is within its normal range (between 60 and 89).

HIGH – if either measurements of blood pressure are above their normal upper limits.

LOW – if either measurements are below their normal lower limits.

- a) What is the distribution of age in this dataset?
- b) Construct a suitable graph to determine if there is an association between systolic blood pressure and bmi.
- c) Construct a suitable graph to determine if there is an association between blood pressure group and bmi.
- d) Construct a suitable graph to determine if there is an association between systolic blood pressure and diastolic blood pressure.
- e) Compute the sample correlation coefficient for systolic blood pressure and bmi. Does it confirm your impression from your plot in part (a)?
- f) Compute the sample correlation coefficient for systolic blood pressure and diastolic blood pressure. Does it confirm your impression from your plot in part (d)?