

Lab 1: Cereals

The dataset cereal.xlsx contains data on 80 Breakfast Cereals

(<https://www.kaggle.com/code/jeandsantos/breakfast-cereals-data-analysis-and-clustering/data>)

Variables in the dataset:

Name: Name of cereal

mfr: Manufacturer of cereal (A = American Home Food Products, G = General Mills, K = Kelloggs, N = Nabisco, P = Post, Q = Quaker Oats, R = Ralston Purina)

type: (C= cold, H = hot)

calories: calories per serving

protein: grams of protein

fat: grams of fat

sodium: milligrams of sodium

fiber: grams of dietary fiber

carbo: grams of complex carbohydrates

sugars: grams of sugars

potass: milligrams of potassium

vitamins: vitamins and minerals - 0, 25, or 100, indicating the typical percentage of FDA recommended

shelf: display shelf (1, 2, or 3, counting from the floor)

weight: weight in ounces of one serving

cups: number of cups in one serving

rating: a rating of the cereals (Possibly from Consumer Reports)

Questions:

- (i) Load the dataset into R Studio. Create a frequency table and barchart of the variable mfr (manufacturer). Which Manufacturer has the most number of cereals?
- (ii) Replace any -1 in the dataset with NA (which the term R uses for missing data)
- (iii) Create histograms of fiber, carbo and ratings and suggest appropriate summary statistics for these variables.
- (iv) Create a matrix of scatterplots of the variable calories, protein, carbo, sugars, fat, rating. Create a matrix of Pearson correlations for these variables. Which variable appears to have the strongest linear relationship with ratings? Interpret this relationship.
- (v) Create a new dataset with Cold Cereals only (i.e. select type = "C").
- (vi) Fit and interpret a multiple regression model for ratings in Cold Cereals using the predictor variables calories, fiber, fat, protein, sugar and potassium.
- (vii) Create residual plots to check if the regression model in (vi) satisfies the assumptions of regression