Predictive Modelling with Python

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Install conda

Readings



James, G., Witten, D., Hastie, T., & Tibshirani, R. (2013). *An introduction to statistical learning* (Vol. 6). New York: Springer.



Friedman, J., Hastie, T., & Tibshirani, R. (2009). *The Elements of Statistical Learning: Data Mining, Inference, and Prediction*.

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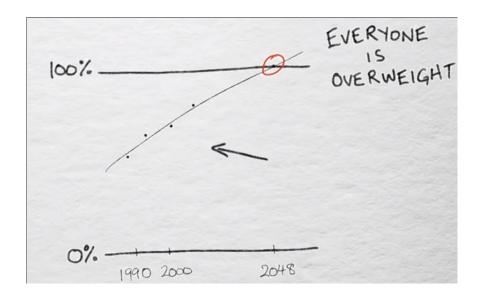
Geron, A. (2017). *Hands-on machine learning with Scikit-Learn* and *TensorFlow*. O'Reilly. (there's also the 2nd edition of this book)

What will you learn?

- How to import the data
- Data preprocessing & visualization
- Computing basic data set statistics
- Basic regression and classification with sklearn
- How to tune the parameters of ML algorithms
- Proper evaluation

Obesity apocalypse

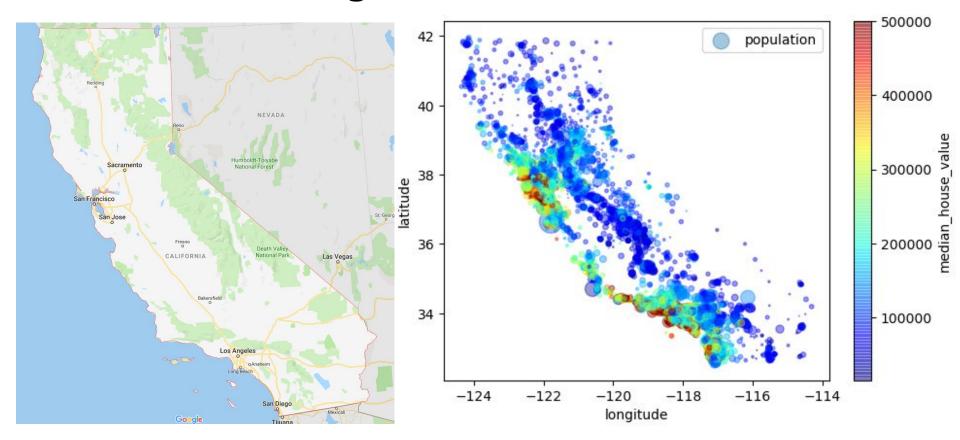
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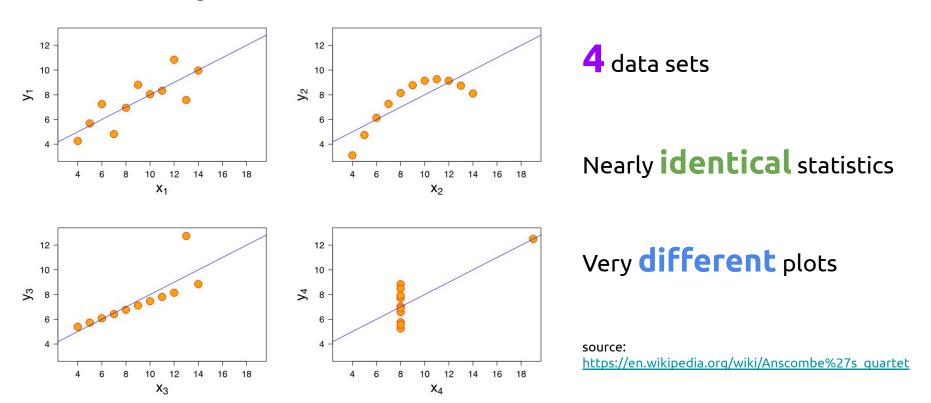
https://abcnews.go.com/Health/Fitness/story?id=5499878&page=1



California housing



Visualize your data



Anscombe, F. J. (1973). "Graphs in Statistical Analysis". *American Statistician*. **27** (1): 17–21.

California housing tasks

- Import & visualize the data (datasets/housing.csv)
- Split the data set to a training set and a test set (stratified, 70:30)
- Compute/visualize correlations ("median_house_value", "median_income", "total_rooms", "housing_median_age")
- Prepare the training set for ML algorithms:
 - Add new features
 - Impute features with missing values
 - Scale the data
- Learning:
 - Choose appropriate algorithms
 - Use internal cross-validation to tune the parameters
 - Evaluate on training set
- Evaluate on test set