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1. The goals for your project including what APIs/websites you planned to work with and what data you planned to gather (10 points)

For the first part of the project we planned to work with the [Sports Radar](#) API and collect players on every team for the March Madness tournament and create our own bracket based on players' stats on each team. We planned to gather players for each team and stats for each player.

2. The goals that were achieved including what APIs/websites you actually worked with and what data you did gather (10 points)

We decided to scrape [this wikipedia page](#) to gather the list of teams playing in the tournament. We then collected the links available for each team and scraped the corresponding 64 links to get the players' names and heights ([example link for Alabama Crimson Tide](#)). We then organized teams by regions and created a pie chart for the tallest teams and the lowest teams. We also created a bar chart for the average height of each team.

3. The problems that you faced (10 points)

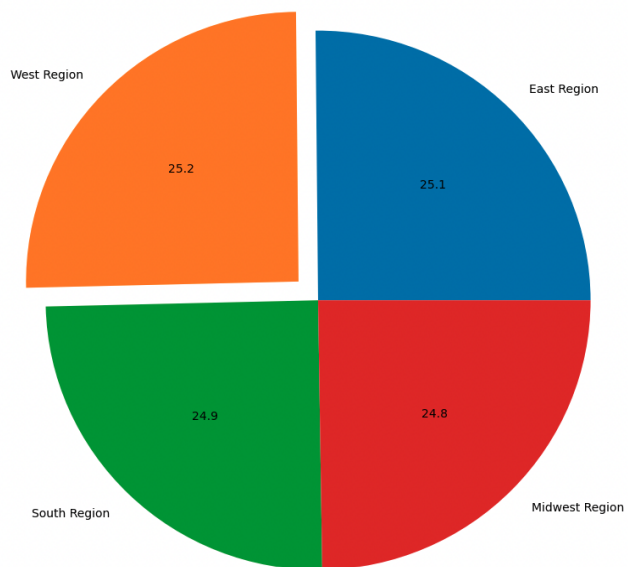
For the first part of the project the API we decided to work with had a QPS limit of 1 so we were unable to gather the ~980 player stats. We then decided to switch to scraping a website to retrieve relevant data. Because there were no player stats on the relevant wikipedia pages, we decided to collect the players' heights instead and change the visualization from a bracket to a pie chart and bar graph.

4. The calculations from the data in the database (i.e. a screen shot) (10 points)

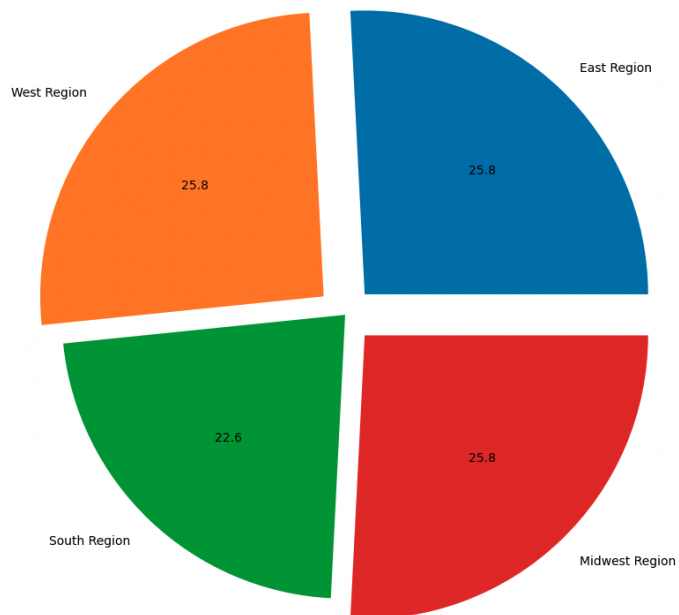
[Calculation for March Madness](#) (too large to take a screenshot...copied from txt file generated to google doc)

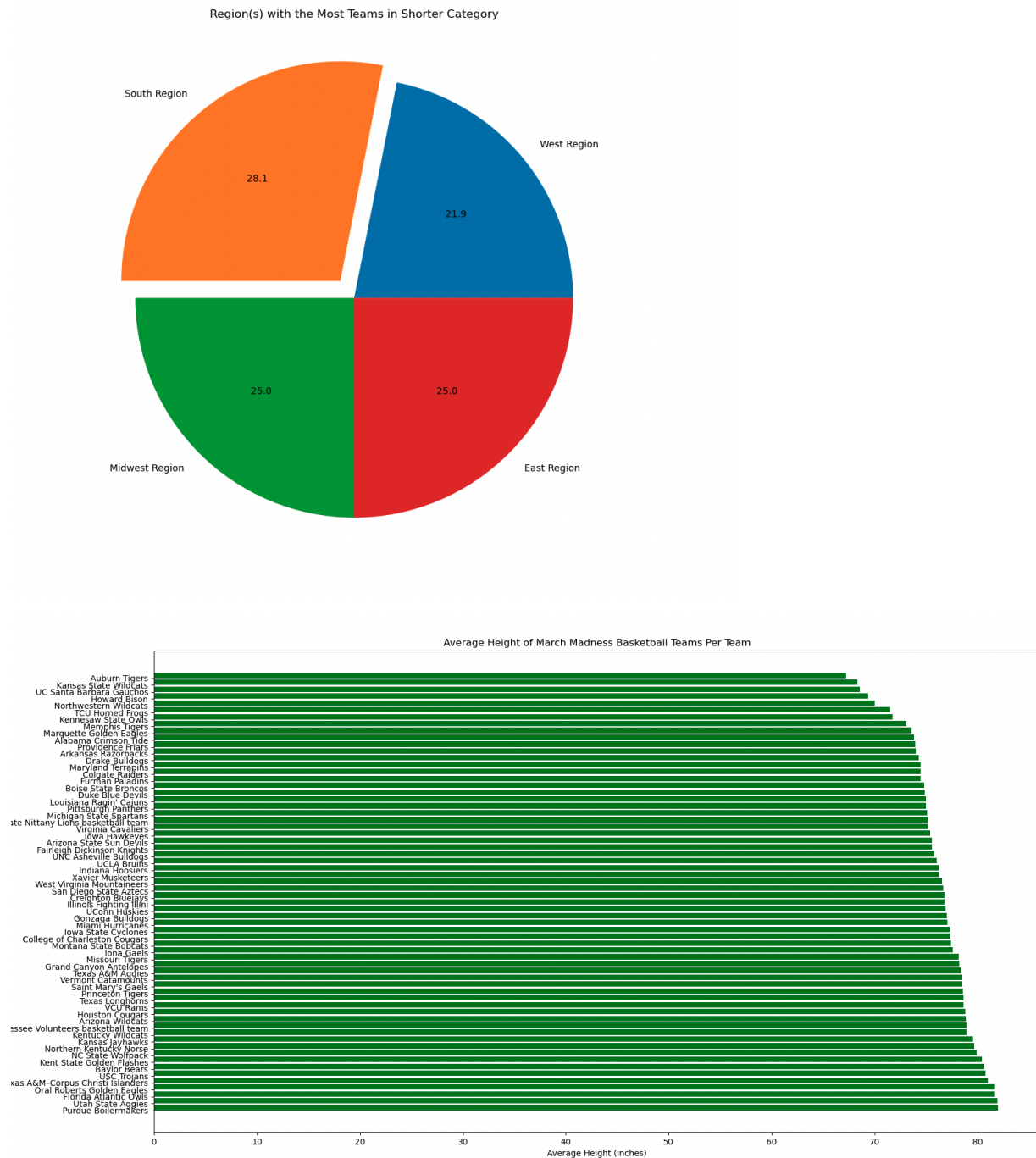
5. The visualization that you created (i.e. screen shot or image file) (10 points)

Percentage Per Region of Overall Height  
Across all March Madness Teams  
(The Tallest Region)



Region(s) with the Most Teams in Taller Category





## 6. Instructions for running your code (10 points)

Our file for filling the database has to be run 70 times as we have to retrieve ~980 data values. In order to automate this process, we created a bashscript that is included in our repository (titles 'march\_madness\_fill\_db.sh'). This bashscript also handles running our march\_madness\_calcs.py. Running this command:

./march\_madness\_fill\_db.sh

Should run our entire program regarding march madness including providing visualization and writing to our calcs txt file. You will need to exit out of the visualization windows in order to continue with the program.

7. Documentation for each function that you wrote. This includes describing the input and output for each function (20 points)

#### **march\_madness\_scrape.py:**

```
def get_teams_playing(url, conn, cur):
```

Input: url for wikipedia page with March Madness Bracket

Function: scrapes wikipedia page for team names of 64 starting teams for March Madness tournament. Also collects region and team wiki page link

Output: returns list of tuples with team name, id, region, and link to team wiki page

```
def open_db(db):
```

Input: database name

Function: Sets conn and cur for March\_Madness database/connects to database

Output: returns conn, cur

```
def creat_table_regions(conn, cur):
```

Input: conn, cur

Function: creates Regions tables and inserts 4 regions into table

Output: N/A

```
def create_teams_table(conn, cur):
```

Input: con, cur

Function: creates Teams\_scrape table

Output: N/A

```
def create_table_players(conn, cur):
```

Input: conn, cur

Function: creates Players tables

Output: N/A

```
def add_to_teams_table(teams, conn, cur):
```

Input: teams (returned from get\_teams\_playing, conn, cur)

Function: Adds teams to table Teams\_scrape with default team\_chance = 0 (updated later)

Output: N/A

```
def insert_into_players(conn, cur):
```

Input: conn, cur

Function: Add players to Player table

Output: N/A

### **march\_madness\_calcs.py**

```
def open_db(db):
```

Same as previous open\_db

```
def update_team_chance_col(conn, cur):
```

Input: conn, cur

Function: updates the team\_chance column in Teams\_scrape table with the average height of the team based on values in the Players table

Output: N/A

```
def write_regions_to_txt(conn, cur):
```

Input: conn, cur

Function: Writes region and all associated teams to calcs.txt for all regions

Output: calcs.txt file with regions data written

```
def write_rosters_to_txt(conn, cur):
```

Input: conn, cur

Function: Writes team and all associated players to calcs.txt for each team along with the average height of the team

Output: calcs.txt file with teams data (rosters) written

```
def visualize_write_team_heights_average(conn, cur):
```

Input: conn, cur

Function: Creates pie charts to determine the tallest region, the region(s) with the most teams in the list of taller teams, and the region with the most teams in the list of shorter teams. Also creates a bar chart with Teams and their average heights

Output: 3 pie charts and one bar chart

8. You must also clearly document all resources you used. The documentation should be of the following form (20 points)

Date	Issue Description	Location of Resource	Result
4/19/23	Exceeded QPS Limit	<a href="https://stackoverflow.com/questions/38601326/google-cloud-pub-sub-on-google-app-engine-hits-qps-limit-too-soon">https://stackoverflow.com/questions/38601326/google-cloud-pub-sub-on-google-app-engine-hits-qps-limit-too-soon</a>	Switched to webscraping
4/19/23	How to create bash script for loop	<a href="https://www.cyberciti.biz/faq/bash-for-loop/">https://www.cyberciti.biz/faq/bash-for-loop/</a>	Used example from link
4/20/23	Matplot lib not functioning to show plots	<a href="https://stackoverflow.com/questions/66121948/matplotlib-plots-not-showing-in-vs-code">https://stackoverflow.com/questions/66121948/matplotlib-plots-not-showing-in-vs-code</a>	Ran: pip install matplotlib --upgrade
4/21/23	How to plot pie chart with excluded points	<a href="https://www.analyticsvidhya.com/blog/2020/02/beginner-guide-matplotlib-data-visualization-exploration-python/">https://www.analyticsvidhya.com/blog/2020/02/beginner-guide-matplotlib-data-visualization-exploration-python/</a>	Used code from link and changed dictionary value
4/21/23	List names on bar graph without '2022-23'	<a href="https://www.tutorialspoint.com/How-to-match-any-non-digit-character-in-Python-using-Regular-Expression">https://www.tutorialspoint.com/How-to-match-any-non-digit-character-in-Python-using-Regular-Expression</a>	Used re with pattern= <code>[r'\D+']</code>