Treatment Costs Prediction

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0.1 Introduction

Linear regression is one of the most important algorithms under the supervised learning category in Machine Learning. It is also the commonly used model for predictive analysis. This project using this machine learning method to explore the personal health dataset and predict treatment and insurance costs.

0.2 Model Implementation

0.2.1 1. Import Data

```
[3]: import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
import seaborn as sns
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
```

```
[4]: # Read the data
df=pd.read_csv("insurance.csv")

# Browse the sample data
df.head()
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[4]:
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0.2.2 2. Preprocessing the data

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[5]: # Check for overall data information include the data types & nulls df.info()
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<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 1338 entries, 0 to 1337
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Data columns (total 7 columns):
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         charges
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    memory usage: 73.3+ KB
[6]: # double check the NULL
     df.isnull().sum()
[6]: age
                 0
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     sex
                 0
     bmi
     children
     smoker
                 0
     region
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     charges
     dtype: int64
[7]: # Calculating some statistical data
     df.describe()
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                    age
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                                         2.000000 16639.912515
              64.000000
                           53.130000
                                         5.000000 63770.428010
    max
[8]: # Getting the data columns
     df.describe().columns
[8]: Index(['age', 'bmi', 'children', 'charges'], dtype='object')
[9]: # Separating numerical and categorical data
     df_num = df[['age','bmi','children','charges']]
     df_cat = df[['sex','smoker','region']]
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df1 = pd.get_dummies(df_cat)
      df1
[10]:
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      [1338 rows x 8 columns]
[11]: # Concatenating the encoded categorical and numerical data to form the dataset.
      data = pd.concat([df_num,df1], axis=1)
      data
[11]:
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[10]: # Use one hot enconding to converting the categorical data into numeric data

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0.2.3 3. Exploratory Data Analysis

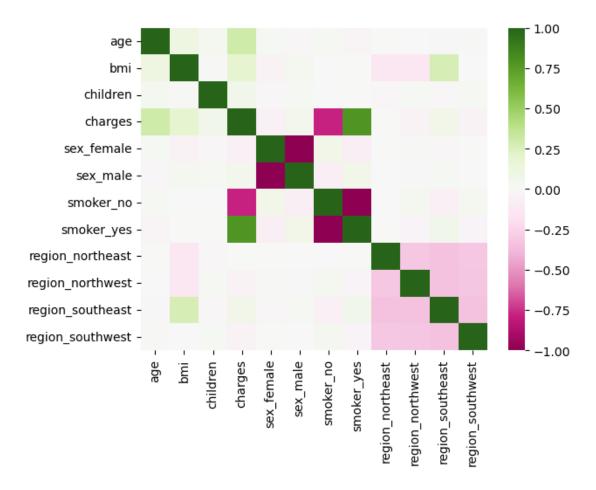
[1338 rows x 12 columns]

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[12]: # The correlation between the features data.corr()
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[12]:
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      children
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      region_southwest
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[13]: # Heatmap to visualize the correlation
      sns.heatmap(data.corr(), cmap='PiYG')
```

[13]: <Axes: >



From this heatmap we find the following observations:

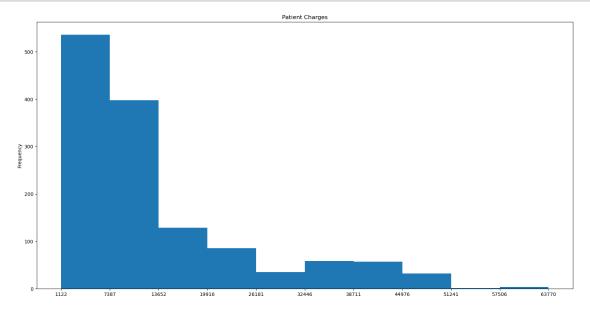
- 1. Strong correlation between charges and smoker_yes.
- 2. Weak correlation between charges and age.
- 3. Weak correlation between charges and bmi.
- 4. Weak correlation between bmi and region_southeast.

Since the values for the weak correlations are less than 0.5 so we term them as insignificant and drop them

```
[14]: # Correlation between charges and the other features.
data.corr()['charges'].sort_values()
```

```
region_southeast 0.073982
bmi 0.198341
age 0.299008
smoker_yes 0.787251
charges 1.000000
Name: charges, dtype: float64
```

```
[15]: # Graph showing the min and maximum charges
    count, bin_edges = np.histogram(data['charges'])
    data['charges'].plot(kind='hist', xticks=bin_edges, figsize=(20,10))
    plt.title("Patient Charges")
    plt.show()
```



0.2.4 4. Model Building

Use sklearn package to split the test and train data then use statsmodels to build a simple linear regression to predict insurance charges with the help of the other features.

```
[16]: from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
import statsmodels.api as sm
from statsmodels.formula.api import ols
```

0.2.5 5. Model fitting

For this model, we split the dataset into training and test set. We use 30% of the dataset for testing (test_size=0.3) and then take the dataset without the charges column as the predictor variables and the charges as response/target variable.

```
[36]: # Fit the OLS model using the training data
model_tr = sm.OLS(y_train, x_train)
results_tr = model_tr.fit()
```

0.2.6 6. Model prediction

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[39]: # Make predictions on the test set
y_pred = results_tr.predict(x_test)
print(r2_score(y_test,y_pred))
```

0.7909160991789904

Looks like the basic linear regression model predicting the cost of treatment look good and the score value is 0.79.

0.3 Model Evaluation

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[33]: from sklearn.metrics import r2_score,mean_squared_error
```

0.3.1 1. Statistical Analysis:

From the summary table below, we can see that the F-statistic is 314.8 which means there are strong evidence that at least one of the independent variables in this model is related to the dependent variable "charges." And the p-value associated with the F-statistic is very close to zero (3.47e-258) suggests that the overall model is statistically significant. While the overall model might be

significant, it's also essential to look at the significance of individual coefficients for a more detailed understanding of the contribution of each variable. In this summary table, the statistical significance of each coefficient is indicated by the "P>|t|" column. This column represents the p-value associated with the t-test for each coefficient. Therefore, the age, bmi, smoker_no, smoker_yes, and children are statistically significant variables for this liner regression model.

[38]: # Print the summary of the train OLS regression print(results_tr.summary())

OLS Regression Results											
Dep. Variable: Model: Method: Date: Time: No. Observations Df Residuals: Df Model: Covariance Type:	Sun, 12	charges OLS t Squares Nov 2023 18:26:10 936 927 8 nonrobust		: tistic):	0.731 0.729 314.8 3.47e-258 -9495.3 1.901e+04 1.905e+04						
0.975]	coef	std err	t	P> t	[0.025						
 age 285.143	256.4354	14.628	17.531	0.000	227.728						
bmi 402.954	335.3691	34.437	9.738	0.000	267.785						
children 803.854	472.7098	168.734	2.802	0.005	141.565						
sex_female 721.810	-268.2715	504.493	-0.532	0.595	-1258.353						
sex_male 683.314	-315.8182	509.105	-0.620	0.535	-1314.950						
smoker_no -1.1e+04	-1.201e+04	514.978	-23.321	0.000	-1.3e+04						
smoker_yes 1.25e+04	1.143e+04	543.118	21.038	0.000	1.04e+04						
region_northeast 1249.747	443.0023	411.075	1.078	0.281	-363.742						
region_northwest 678.037	-118.8989	406.077	-0.293	0.770	-915.835						
region_southeast 365.661	-551.7464	467.462	-1.180	0.238	-1469.153						
region_southwest 466.809	-356.4467	419.488	-0.850	0.396	-1179.702						

Omnibus: 232.849 Durbin-Watson: 2.048 Prob(Omnibus): 0.000 Jarque-Bera (JB): 571.734 Skew: 1.309 Prob(JB): 7.07e-125 Kurtosis: 5.794 Cond. No. 4.39e+17

Notes:

- [1] Standard Errors assume that the covariance matrix of the errors is correctly specified.
- [2] The smallest eigenvalue is 1.29e-29. This might indicate that there are strong multicollinearity problems or that the design matrix is singular.

0.3.2 2. the model performance

From the results below, the MSE means the squared difference between predicted and actual values is approximately 33,342,497.83 and the R-squared for test data means that the accuracy of our model is around 80% on the test data. Overall, the model is performing reasonably well on the test set, as indicated by the relatively low MSE and the high R-squared value. This is enough to conclude our model is appropriate to predict patient charges based on their personal health data

```
[50]: # Evaluate the model performance, using metrics like Mean Squared Error (MSE)_
and R^2

mse = mean_squared_error(y_test, y_pred)

#mse2 = mean_squared_error(y_train,y_pred)

print(f'Mean Squared Error on Test Set: {mse}')

print(f'R2 for test data: {r2_score(y_test,y_pred)}')
```

Mean Squared Error on Test Set: 33342497.82695458

R2 for test data: 0.7909160991789904

0.4 References

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- 2. Thomas George, Predicting Patient treatment costs (2020), Medium, https://medium.com/analytics-vidhya/