

📊 Real-World Population Growth Analysis Using UN Dataset & Logistic Simulation

🎯 Objective

To analyze historical population growth of **Pakistan** using actual UN-provided population data, and **compare it** with a **theoretical simulation** based on the **logistic growth model**, using NumPy, Pandas, and Matplotlib.

📁 Dataset Details

- **Filename:** `population.csv`
 - **Source:** UN World Population Data
 - **Columns in CSV:**
 - Country Name
 - Country Code
 - Year
 - Value (*Population in that year*)
 - **Time Range:** 1960 to most recent available year
 - **Target Country:** Pakistan
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🛠️ Tools & Libraries Used

- **Python Libraries:**
 - `pandas`: Data loading, filtering, and processing
 - `numpy`: Simulation of logistic growth (mathematical modeling)
 - `matplotlib.pyplot`: Data visualization
 - `seaborn`: Improved styling of plots
 - **Environment:** Jupyter Notebook
 - **Platform:** Local (Anaconda, Windows 10)
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📋 Project Steps (Jupyter Notebook Flow)

Step 1: Load and Inspect Dataset

- Loaded `population.csv` with `pandas.read_csv()`
- Inspected columns and values using `.head()`, `.info()`, `.describe()`

Step 2: Filter Data for Pakistan

- Selected rows where `Country Name == 'Pakistan'`
- Created a DataFrame `pak_data` with two columns:
 - `Year`
 - `Population`

Step 3: Visualize Real Population Growth

- Used `matplotlib` to plot real growth over time
- Title: "□ Pakistan Population Growth (1960 - Present)"

Step 4: Simulate Logistic Growth

- Used the **logistic growth model**:

$$P(t) = \frac{K}{1 + \left(\frac{K - P_0}{P_0} \right) e^{-rt}}$$

Where:

- `POP_0`: Initial population (1960)
 - `rrr`: Growth rate (chosen value, e.g., 0.03)
 - `KKK`: Carrying capacity (e.g., 400 million)
 - `ttt`: Time (years)
- Used `numpy` to apply this formula and generate simulated values

Step 5: Compare Real vs Simulated Growth

- Plotted **both curves** on the same graph:
 - Real data (blue)
 - Simulated logistic growth (orange)
 - Added legends, titles, and axis labels
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□ Key Outputs

- A **line plot** showing real growth trend of Pakistan's population (from 1960 onward)
 - A **simulated curve** that predicts future growth, slowing as it nears carrying capacity
 - A **comparison chart** that shows how real-world data aligns or differs from the model
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□ Insights Gained

- Pakistan's actual population growth is **exponential** up to recent years
 - Logistic model helps **predict a saturation point** where growth slows
 - Combining real data and simulation gives more **realistic forecasting tools**
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□ File Structure

- `population.csv` → The source dataset
- `real_population_analysis.ipynb` → Your full working notebook
- `Population_Growth_Project_Summary.pdf` → Summary export (optional)