CSCI 485 (Machine Learning)

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Back-story:

An analytics consultant at an insurance company has collected a set of data that will be used to train a model to predict the best communications channel to use to contact a potential customer with an offer of a new insurance product. The full data set contains 5,200 instances and can be accessed at (http://csci.viu.ca/~liuh/485/assignments/A1-data.csv).

Task:

Explaining the process of generating a data quality and preliminary data exploration report for the following data set:

- AGE: the customer's age
- GENDER: the customer's gender (male or female)
- LOC: the customer's location (*rural* or *urban*)
- OCC: the customer's occupation
- MOTOR_INS: whether the customer holds a motor insurance policy with the company (yes or no)
- MOTOR_VALUE: the value of the car on the motor policy
- HEALTH_INS: whether the customer holds a health insurance policy with the company (yes or no)
- HEALTH_TYPE: the type of the health insurance policy (*PlanA*, *PlanB*, or *PlanC*)
- DEPS_ADULTS: how many dependent adults are included on the health insurance policy
- DEPS_KIDS: how many dependent children are included on the health insurance policy
- PREF_CHANNEL: the customer's preferred contact channel (*email*, *phone*, or *sms*)

Report:

- Id:
- Attribute type: NumericData item count: 5200
- Percentage of missing values: 0%
- Cardinality (number of unique values): 5200

- AGE:
 - Attribute type: Numeric
 - o Data item count: 5200
 - Percentage of missing values: 0%
 - Cardinality (number of unique values): 56
 - For continuous typed attribute
 - Minimum value: 20
 - First quarter value: 33.75
 - Mean: 47.958Median: 47.5
 - Third quarter value: 61.25
 - Maximum: 75
 - Standard deviation: 16.265
 - Outliers/Errors: no
- GENDER:
 - Attribute type: Categorical (Nominal)
 - o Data item count: 5200-47=5153
 - o Percentage of missing values: 1%
 - Cardinality (number of unique values): 3
 - Statistics
 - Mode: male
 - Mode frequency: 2565
 - Mode percentage: 49.78
 - Second mode: female
 - Second mode frequency: 2534
 - Second mode percentage: 49.18
 - Outliers/Errors:
 - "rural" label is an outlier it only occurs 54 times (54/5153*100=1.05%) and from my basic knowledge on gender "rural" is not a gender type therefore its probably an error.
- LOC:
 - Attribute type: Categorical (Nominal)
 - o Data item count: 5200-118=5082
 - o Percentage of missing values: 2%
 - o Cardinality (number of unique values): 3
 - Statistics
 - Mode: urban
 - Mode frequency: 2565
 - Mode percentage: 50.47
 - Second mode: rural
 - Second mode frequency: 2516
 - Second mode frequency. 2316
 Second mode percentage: 49.51

- Outliers/Errors:
 - "female" label is an outlier it only occurs 1 time (1/5083*100~=0%) and from my basic knowledge on location "female" is not a location type therefore it an error.
- OCC:
 - Attribute type: Categorical (Nominal)
 - Data item count: 5200-303=4897
 - o Percentage of missing values: 6%
 - Cardinality (number of unique values): 20
 - Statistics
 - Mode: Courier
 - Mode frequency: 279
 - Mode percentage: 5.70
 - Second mode: Doctor
 - Second mode frequency: 275
 - Second mode percentage: 5.62
 - o Outliers/Errors: no
- MOTOR INS:
 - Attribute type: Categorical (Nominal/Binary)
 - o Data item count: 5200-168=5032
 - o Percentage of missing values: 3%
 - Cardinality (number of unique values): 2
 - Statistics
 - Mode: yes
 - Mode frequency: 3991
 - Mode percentage: 79.31
 - Second mode: no
 - Second mode frequency: 1041
 - Second mode percentage: 20.69
 - Outliers/Errors: no
- MOTOR_VALUE:
 - o Attribute type: Numeric
 - o Data item count: 5200-312=4888
 - o Percentage of missing values: 6%
 - Cardinality (number of unique values): 4573
 - For continuous typed attribute
 - Minimum value: 3000
 - First quarter value: 124,418
 - Mean: 22768.656
 - Median: 245,836
 - Third quarter value: 365,754
 - Maximum: 119,918
 - Standard deviation: 19705.785

- Outliers/Errors:
 - Maybe some outliers, visually it looks like there are because in the third and fourth quarter the combined motors are a couple of percent compared to all the motors, but from my basic world knowledge only a few individuals drive cars valued over \$245,836 so might not be errors but needs to be looked at closely by an expert to make sure.
- HEALTH INS:
 - o Attribute type: Categorical (Nominal/Binary)
 - \circ Data item count: 5200-99=5101
 - o Percentage of missing values: 2%
 - o Cardinality (number of unique values): 2
 - Statistics
 - Mode: yes
 - Mode frequency: 3957
 - Mode percentage: 77.57
 - Second mode: no
 - Second mode frequency: 1144
 - Second mode percentage: 22.43
 - o Outliers/Errors: no
- HEALTH TYPE:
 - Attribute type: Categorical (Nominal)
 - o Data item count: 5200-1243=3957
 - o Percentage of missing values: 24%
 - Cardinality (number of unique values): 1
 - Statistics
 - Mode: PlanA
 - Mode frequency: 3957
 - Mode percentage: 100
 - Second mode: n/a
 - Second mode frequency: n/a
 - Second mode percentage: n/a
 - Outliers/Errors: no
- DEPS_ADULTS:
 - o Attribute type: Numeric
 - o Data item count: 5200-1243=3957
 - o Percentage of missing values: 24%
 - Cardinality (number of unique values): 3
 - For continuous typed attribute
 - Minimum value: 0
 - First quarter value: 0.5
 - Mean: 0.783
 - Median: 1
 - Third quarter value: 1.5
 - Maximum: 2
 - Standard deviation: 0.628

- Outliers/Errors: no
- DEPS_KIDS:
 - o Attribute type: Numeric
 - o Data item count: 5200-1243=3957
 - o Percentage of missing values: 24%
 - Cardinality (number of unique values): 4
 - For continuous typed attribute
 - Minimum value: 0
 - First quarter value: 0.75
 - Mean: 1.502Median: 1.5
 - Third quarter value: 2.25
 - Maximum: 3
 - Standard deviation: 0.893
 - o Outliers/Errors: no
- PREF CHANNEL:
 - Attribute type: Categorical (Nominal)
 - o Data item count: 5200
 - Percentage of missing values: 0%
 - o Cardinality (number of unique values): 3
 - Statistics
 - Mode: email
 - Mode frequency: 1761
 - Mode percentage: 33.87
 - Second mode: sms
 - Second mode frequency: 1731
 - Third mode percentage: 33.29
 - Third mode: sms
 - Third mode frequency: 1708
 - Third mode percentage: 32.85
 - Outliers/Errors: no

Findings:

- Any information that can be easily observed from the data:
 - Visually looks like all people have almost equal preference for communications channel regardless of age, gender, location, occupation, motor_ins, motor_value, health_ins, health_type, Deps_adults, or Deps_kids.
- Any relationship among the attributes that can be easily detected:
 - They are almost all even distributed/related nothing that stands out.

Procedures:

1. Download the data set file A1-data.csv from http://csci.viu.ca/~liuh/485/assignments/A1-data.csv

- 2. Open the Weka Knowledge Explorer application
 - a. Click on open file and select A1-data.csv
 - b. Then click on the attributes one by one to visually explore the data.
 - c. Select visualize all to see relationships between attributes.
 - i. Notice
 - 1. The outliers: look for off numbers.
 - 2. Visually looks like all people have almost same preference percentage for communications channel regardless of attributes.
 - 3. From the relationship between attributes they are almost all even distributed/related nothing that stands out.
- 3. First find the count of instances in table through SQL with statement:
 - a. SELECT COUNT(*) FROM tabe_name;
 - b. We get 5200 so we can use that to compare others for missing values later after finding the count.
- 4. Repeat step 3 for all attributes but replace * with attribute name.
 - a. This way you get the count.
- 5. Now subtract the count found in step 4 from 5200 you get the missing values for the given attribute. (Do that for all attributes)
 - a. Divide the missing number by 5200 x 100 to get percentage.
- 6. Repeat step 3 for all attributes but replace * with DISTINCT and attribute name.
 - a. This way you get the Cardinality.
- 7. Finding statistical info for categorical typed attributes:
 - a. Mode: to find mode
 - Select attribute_type, count(*) from tabe_name group attribute_type order by count(*) DESC
 - 2. First one would be the mode one.
 - 3. Second is mode two.
 - b. Mode frequency: from step 1 in the frequency is the count.
 - c. Mode percentage: to find mode percentage, take the frequency divide it by the data item count * 100.
- 8. Finding statistical info for continuous (numeric) typed attributes:
 - a. Min and Max values: to find min and max value
 - 1. Put data on excel
 - 2. Select the attribute cell range you want to sort.
 - **3.** Select the Data tab on the Ribbon, then click the Sort command.
 - 4. Then Select Orders from sort by, select values from sort on, and largest to smallest from Order.
 - 5. The first value on the list will be the maximum and last will be the minimum.

- b. Median: to find the median add the max and min and divide by 2.
- c. First quarter value: to find the first quarter add the median and min and divide by 2.
- d. Third quarter value: to find the third quarter add the median and max and divide by 2.
- e. Mean: to find mean type =AVERAGE(function and select all data
- f. Standard deviation: to find standard deviation type =STDEV(function and select all data.

Appendix















