Exploratory Data Analysis – Student Performance

1. Introduction

The dataset used in this analysis is the Student Performance dataset.

It contains information about students' scores in math, reading, and writing, along with demographic features like gender, parental level of education, lunch type, race/ethnicity, and test preparation course status.

The purpose of this EDA is to explore patterns and relationships between these features and academic performance.

2. Analysis Techniques

The following EDA techniques were applied:

- · Displaying top records and data types
- Checking for null and duplicate values
- Summary statistics using describe()
- Countplots for categorical features
- Histograms and boxplots for numeric scores
- Correlation heatmap and pairplots
- Grouped analysis by gender and race/ethnicity

3. Key Findings

- · Female students perform better in reading and writing
- Male students slightly outperform in math
- Reading and writing scores show strong positive correlation
- Test preparation course improves overall scores
- Group E students have the highest average scores
- Students with standard lunch generally score higher

4. Visualizations Used

- Countplots: Gender, parental education, lunch, test prep course
- Histograms and Boxplots: Math, Reading, Writing Scores
- Correlation Heatmap: Relationships between scores
- Pairplot: Multivariate relationships

Bar Charts: Grouped averages by gender and race/ethnicity

5. Conclusion

The Student Performance dataset reveals trends and dependencies between demographic and academic performance factors.

Insights from this EDA can help educators identify areas of support for different student groups. It demonstrates how visualizations and statistics together provide meaningful understanding of student outcomes.

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[5] import pandas as pd
     # Load CSV into a DataFrame
     df = pd.read_csv('StudentsPerformance.csv')
     # Show top 5 rows
     df.head()
₹
         gender race/ethnicity parental level of education
                                                                   lunch test preparation course math score reading score writing score
                                             bachelor's degree
                                                                 standard
     0 female
                        group B
                                                                                             none
                                                                                                                                               Ш
                                                                                         completed
      1 female
                        group C
                                                 some college
                                                                 standard
                                                                                                            69
                                                                                                                          90
                                                                                                                                          88
     2 female
                        group B
                                               master's degree
                                                                 standard
                                                                                                            90
                                                                                                                                          93
                                                                                             none
                                                                                                                           57
      3
          male
                        group A
                                             associate's degree free/reduced
                                                                                             none
                                                                                                            47
                                                                                                                                          44
                        group C
                                                 some college
                                                                 standard
                                                                                                            76
                                                                                                                          78
          male
                                                                                             none
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[7] # Dataset Shape
print("Dataset Shape:", df.shape)

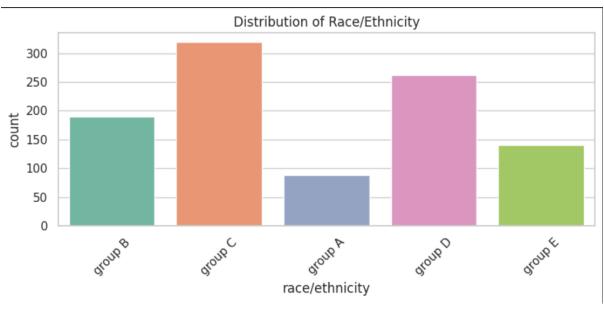
# Dataset Info
print("\nDataset Info:")
df.info()

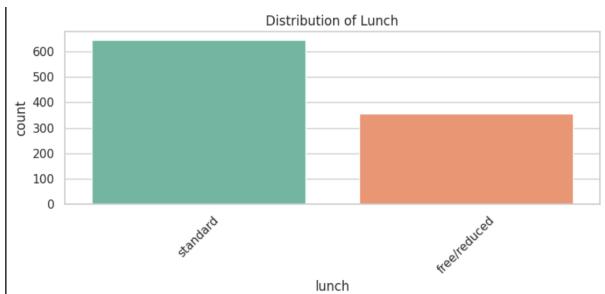
# Summary Statistics
print("\nSummary Statistics:")
display(df.describe())

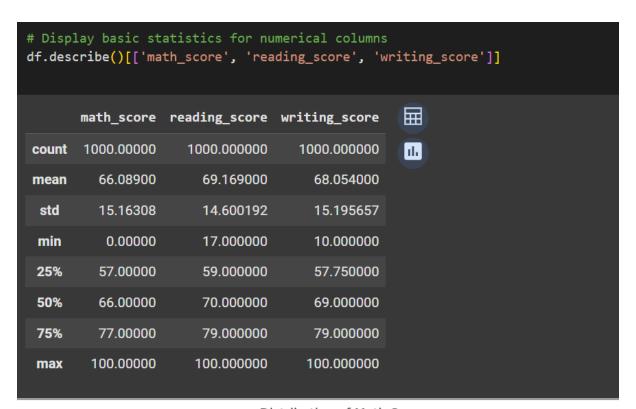
# Check for missing values
print("\nMissing Values:")
print(df.isnull().sum())
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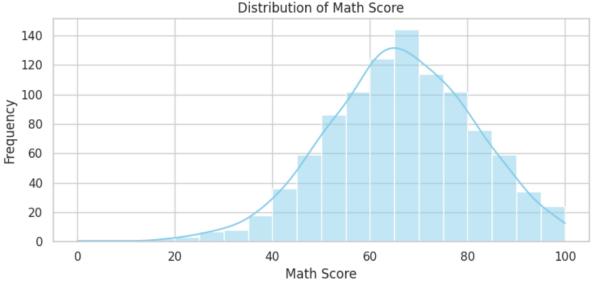
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→ Dataset Shape: (1000, 8)
    Dataset Info:
    <class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
    RangeIndex: 1000 entries, 0 to 999
    Data columns (total 8 columns):
     #
        Column
                                     Non-Null Count
                                                    Dtype
         -----
                                     1000 non-null
                                                    object
     0
        gender
        race/ethnicity
                                                    object
     1
                                     1000 non-null
        parental_level_of_education
                                     1000 non-null object
     2
     3
        lunch
                                     1000 non-null
                                                   object
     4
        test_preparation_course
                                     1000 non-null
                                                   object
     5 math_score
                                     1000 non-null
                                                   int64
                                                    int64
     6
        reading_score
                                     1000 non-null
     7
         writing_score
                                     1000 non-null int64
    dtypes: int64(3), object(5)
    memory usage: 62.6+ KB
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Summary Statistics:				
	math_score	reading_score	writing_score	
count	1000.00000	1000.000000	1000.000000	11.
mean	66.08900	69.169000	68.054000	
std	15.16308	14.600192	15.195657	
min	0.00000	17.000000	10.000000	
25%	57.00000	59.000000	57.750000	
50%	66.00000	70.000000	69.000000	
75%	77.00000	79.000000	79.000000	
max	100.00000	100.000000	100.000000	
Missing Values:				
gender				
gender 0 race/ethnicity 0				
parental_level_of_education 0				
lunch 0				
test_preparation_course 0				
math_score reading score				
reading_score				
writing_score 0 dtype: int64				









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# Correlation matrix for numerical columns
correlation_matrix = df[['math_score', 'reading_score', 'writing_score']].corr()
plt.figure(figsize=(6, 4))
sns.heatmap(correlation_matrix, annot=True, cmap='coolwarm', fmt=".2f")
plt.title("Correlation Between Scores")
plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()
                          Correlation Between Scores
                                                                           1.000
                                                                          - 0.975
                                                         0.80
   math score
                       1.00
                                        0.82
                                                                          - 0.950
                                                                          - 0.925
                       0.82
                                        1.00
                                                          0.95
reading score
                                                                          -0.900
                                                                          - 0.875
                                                                          - 0.850
                       0.80
                                                          1.00
 writing_score
                                        0.95
                                                                          - 0.825
                                   reading score writing score
                    math score
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# Group by race/ethnicity and calculate mean scores
race_group = df.groupby('race/ethnicity')[['math_score', 'reading_score', 'writing_score']].mean().reset_index()

# Plot
race_group.plot(x='race/ethnicity', kind='bar', figsize=(8,5), colormap='Set1')
plt.title("Average Scores by Race/Ethnicity")
plt.ylabel("Average Score")
plt.xticks(rotation=0)
plt.grid(axis='y')
plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()
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