# Ramen Exploration

### December 4, 2020

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[1]: import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
[297]: import pandas as pd
       import janitor
[369]: # Read in the dataset
       df = pd.read_csv("ramen-ratings.csv")
[192]: df.head()
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[193]: df.columns
[193]: Index(['Review #', 'Brand', 'Variety', 'Style', 'Country', 'Stars', 'Top Ten'],
       dtype='object')
[374]: df = df[df['Stars'] != 'Unrated']
       df['Stars'] = df['Stars'].astype(float)
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[375]: df.head()
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[377]: average_ramen = df['Stars'].mean()
       average_ramen
[377]: 3.6546759798214974
[197]: good = df[df['Stars'] > average_ramen]
       bad = df[df['Stars'] <= average_ramen]</pre>
[198]:
       good.head()
[198]:
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[199]: bad.head()
[199]:
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       8 Pack
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       9 Pack Singapore
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          What Styles of Ramen are Good?
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[200]: df['Style'].unique()
[200]: array(['Cup', 'Pack', 'Tray', 'Bowl', 'Box', 'Can', 'Bar', nan],
             dtype=object)
[201]: ramen_by_style = df.groupby(['Style']).mean()
[202]: ramen_by_style_good = ramen_by_style[ramen_by_style > average_ramen]
       ramen_by_style_good['Stars'].dropna()
[202]: Style
       Bar
               5.000000
       Bowl
               3.670686
               4.291667
       Box
       Pack
               3.700458
       Name: Stars, dtype: float64
[203]: ramen_by_style_bad = ramen_by_style[ramen_by_style < average_ramen]
       ramen_by_style_bad['Stars'].dropna()
[203]: Style
       Can
               3.500000
       Cup
               3.498500
               3.545139
       Tray
       Name: Stars, dtype: float64
      Looks like better-than-average ramen are: - Bar - Bowl - Box - Pack
      And worse-than-average ramen are: - Canned - In a cup - In a tray
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## 2 Where is Good Ramen From?

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[204]: # first of all, where is ramen from?
       df['Country'].unique()
[204]: array(['Japan', 'Taiwan', 'USA', 'India', 'South Korea', 'Singapore',
              'Thailand', 'Hong Kong', 'Vietnam', 'Ghana', 'Malaysia',
              'Indonesia', 'China', 'Nigeria', 'Germany', 'Hungary', 'Mexico',
              'Fiji', 'Australia', 'Pakistan', 'Bangladesh', 'Canada', 'Nepal',
              'Brazil', 'UK', 'Myanmar', 'Netherlands', 'United States',
              'Cambodia', 'Finland', 'Sarawak', 'Philippines', 'Sweden',
              'Colombia', 'Estonia', 'Holland', 'Poland', 'Dubai'], dtype=object)
[205]: ramen_by_country = df.groupby(['Country']).mean()
       #ramen_by_country.sort_values('Stars', ascending=False).head()
       ramen_by_country
                                      Stars
[205]:
                        Review #
       Country
       Australia
                      2005.000000
                                   3.138636
       Bangladesh
                      1953.857143 3.714286
       Brazil
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       Cambodia
                      1822.400000
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       Canada
                      1361.512195 2.243902
       China
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       Colombia
                      1265.500000 3.291667
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      Estonia
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      Nepal
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      Pakistan
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       Singapore
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       South Korea
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       Sweden
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       Taiwan
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       Thailand
                      1141.120419 3.384817
      UK
                      1217.797101 2.997101
      USA
                      1086.730650 3.457043
       United States
                      2007.000000 3.750000
       Vietnam
                       858.870370 3.187963
[207]: ramen_by_country_good = ramen_by_country[ramen_by_country['Stars'] > ___
        →average_ramen]
       ramen_by_country_good['Stars'].sort_values().dropna()
[207]: Country
       Taiwan
                        3.665402
       Bangladesh
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      Mexico
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      United States
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       South Korea
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       Malaysia
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       Cambodia
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       Sarawak
                        4.333333
       Brazil
                        4.350000
       Name: Stars, dtype: float64
[257]: ramen_by_country_bad = ramen_by_country[ramen_by_country < average_ramen]
       ramen_by_country_bad['Stars'].sort_values().dropna()
[257]: Country
       Nigeria
                      1.500000
       Canada
                      2.243902
       Netherlands
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Philippines
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Nepal
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Dubai
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Finland
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Hungary
               3.611111
Poland
               3.625000
Germany
               3.638889
Name: Stars, dtype: float64
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## 3 Can we Predict whether Ramen will be good?

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[213]: | good_ramen_style_list = ramen_by_style_good['Stars'].dropna().index.unique()
       good_ramen_style_list_stars = ramen_by_style_good['Stars'].dropna().unique()
       bad_ramen_style_list = ramen_by_style_bad['Stars'].dropna().index.unique()
       bad_ramen_style_list_stars = ramen_by_style_bad['Stars'].dropna().unique()
[214]: # maybe, might be tricky
       df = pd.read_csv("ramen-ratings.csv")
       # Let's modify our dataframe to have the mean values we got
       good_ratings = dict(zip(good_ramen_style_list, good_ramen_style_list_stars))
       bad_ratings = dict(zip(bad_ramen_style_list, bad_ramen_style_list_stars))
       ratings = {**bad_ratings, **good_ratings}
       ratings
[214]: {'Can': 3.5,
        'Cup': 3.498499999999999,
        'Tray': 3.545138888888889,
        'Bar': 5.0,
        'Bowl': 3.6706860706860707,
        'Box': 4.29166666666667,
        'Pack': 3.7004581151832467}
[215]: df['Style_value'] = df['Style'].replace(ratings)
       df['Style_label'] = df['Style'].replace(good_ramen_style_list, value=1)
       df['Style_label'].replace(bad_ramen_style_list, value=0, inplace=True)
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df.head()
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                     3.700458
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[262]: good_countries = dict(zip(ramen_by_country_good.index,_
       →ramen_by_country_good['Stars']))
       try:
           del ramen_by_country_bad['Review #']
       except KeyError:
           print("Not there")
       try:
           ramen_by_country_bad = ramen_by_country_bad['Stars'].dropna()
       except KeyError:
           print("already droppped")
       bad_countries = dict(zip(ramen_by_country_bad.index, ramen_by_country_bad.
       →values))
       country_ratings = {**good_countries, **bad_countries}
       country_ratings
      Not there
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already droppped

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[262]: {'Bangladesh': 3.7142857142857144,
        'Brazil': 4.35,
        'Cambodia': 4.2,
        'Fiji': 3.875,
        'Hong Kong': 3.8018248175182485,
        'Indonesia': 4.067460317460317,
        'Japan': 3.981605113636364,
        'Malaysia': 4.154193548387097,
        'Mexico': 3.73,
        'Myanmar': 3.9464285714285716,
        'Singapore': 4.126146788990826,
        'South Korea': 3.7905537459283383,
        'Taiwan': 3.665401785714286,
        'United States': 3.75,
        'Australia': 3.1386363636363637,
        'Canada': 2.2439024390243905,
        'China': 3.4218934911242602,
        'Colombia': 3.291666666666665,
        'Dubai': 3.58333333333333333,
        'Estonia': 3.5,
        'Finland': 3.5833333333333333,
        'Germany': 3.63888888888889,
        'Ghana': 3.5,
        'Holland': 3.5625,
        'Hungary': 3.611111111111111,
        'India': 3.3951612903225805,
        'Nepal': 3.5535714285714284,
        'Netherlands': 2.48333333333333334,
        'Nigeria': 1.5,
        'Pakistan': 3.0,
        'Philippines': 3.3297872340425534,
        'Poland': 3.625,
        'Sweden': 3.25,
        'Thailand': 3.3848167539267022,
        'UK': 2.9971014492753625,
        'USA': 3.457043343653251,
        'Vietnam': 3.187962962962963}
[275]: | df['Country_value'] = df['Country'].replace(country_ratings)
       df['Country_label'] = df['Country'].replace(list(good_countries.keys()),__
       →value=1)
       df['Country_label'].replace(list(bad_countries.keys()), value=0, inplace=True)
       df.head()
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[275]:
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[274]: df.to_csv('new_ramen_dataset.csv')
[308]: # Adding some jitter to make it separate off the boundaries of the reviews
       \rightarrow distance metric used
      df = janitor.functions.jitter(
          df=df,
          column_name='Style_value',
          dest_column_name='Style_value_jitter',
          scale=0.1,
          clip=None,
          random_state=None,
      df = janitor.functions.jitter(
          df=df,
          column_name='Country_value',
          dest_column_name='Country_value_jitter',
          scale=0.1,
          clip=None,
          random_state=None,
[343]: better_ramen_style = df[df['Style_value'] > average_ramen]
      better_ramen_country = df[df['Country_value'] > average_ramen]
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#### [343]: 1067

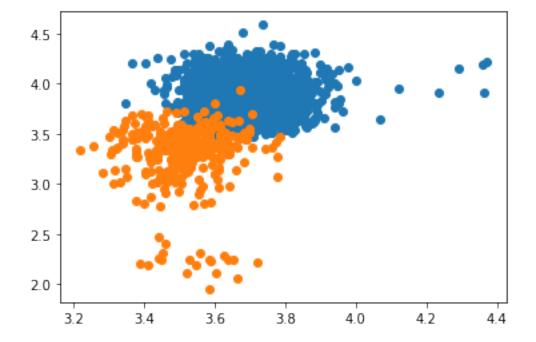
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[342]: plt.scatter(better_ramen['Style_value_jitter'],

⇒better_ramen['Country_value_jitter'])

plt.scatter(worse_ramen['Style_value_jitter'],

⇒worse_ramen['Country_value_jitter'])

plt.show()
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[337]: test_country = 'Taiwan'
  test_style = 'Bowl'

test_country_2 = 'Korea'
  test_style_2 = 'Pack'
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def generate_ramen_point(country: str, style: str):
           try:
               style_value = ratings[style]
               country_value = country_ratings[country]
               print(style_value, country_value)
           except KeyError as e:
               print(f"No data on input {str(e)}")
       generate_ramen_point(test_country, test_style)
       generate_ramen_point(test_country_2, test_style_2)
      3.6706860706860707 3.665401785714286
      No data on input 'Korea'
[360]: better_ramen['label'] = 'GOOD'
[361]:
      worse_ramen['label'] = 'BAD'
[362]:
       worse_ramen
[362]:
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       [298 rows x 14 columns]
[363]: final_df = better_ramen.append(worse_ramen)
[364]: final_df.head()
[364]:
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[365]: final_df['label'].unique()
[365]: array(['GOOD', 'BAD'], dtype=object)
[366]: final_df.to_csv('final_ramen.csv')
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