COSC 311 - Lab 3

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1 Objectives

1. Practice efficiently manipulating data with Python
2. Use the `matplotlib`, `pandas` libraries
3. Gain familiarity with statistical tools

2 Tasks

1. You may submit this lab in groups of one or two.
2. Download the "Adult" data set from the UCI Machine Learning data repository: `https://archive.ics.uci.edu/ml/datasets/Adult`. This dataset is record of adults, along with various occupational and lifestyle attributes. Each adult is "labeled" as to whether or not they make more or less than \$50k per year. Using this as a driving label, one would typically want to design a process to determine what combinations of factors enable a person to make more than \$50k per year.
   (a) Read the data into a `pandas` DataFrame object.
   (b) Use the data and the `numpy` library to compute the following:
      i. What are the 25th, 50th, and 75th pecentiles of the "education-num" field?
      ii. What is the probability that an adult makes more than \$50k given that their education-num is within the ranges defined by the above quantiles (from 0 to the 25th percentile, from the 25th to the 50th etc)?
      iii. Plot the change in probability that a person makes more and less than \$50k given their years of education.
      iv. What is the covariance between the number of hours worked per week and education-num?
      v. Use the `pandas.DataFrame.boxplot` functionality to create a box-and-whisker plot which illustrates the spread of hours worked among adults who make both more and less than \$50k.
      vi. Use the `pandas.DataFrame.boxplot` functionality to create a box-and-whisker plot which illustrates the spread of hours worked among adults from each native country and who make more and less than \$50k.
      vii. Create a table where entry (x, y) contains the conditional probability

$$P(\text{A random adult has level of education } x | \text{their education-num is } y).$$

      viii. Create a table where entry (x, y) contains the conditional probability of having marital status x given that they have occupation y.
      ix. What is the conditional probability of making more or less than \$50k given that a person works in each different occupation?

x. Plot the change in probability that a person makes more and less than \$50k given the amount that they work per week.

3. Answer the following questions using the fundamentals of probability.

   (a) If A and B are independent, show that $\bar{A}$ and B, $\bar{A}$ and B, $\bar{A}$ and $\bar{B}$ are independent.

   (b) Suppose we send 30% of our products to company A and 70% of our products to company B. Company A reports that 5% of our products are defective and company B reports that 4% of our products are defective. For each probability below, compute the precise value by hand, and also write a short Python script to simulate the above scenario and estimate each probability by empirically examining the rates of each event.

      i. Find the probability that a product is sent to company A and it is defective.

      ii. Find the probability that a product is sent to company A and it is not defective.

      iii. Find the probability that a product is sent to company B and it is defective.

      iv. Find the probability that a product is sent to company B and it is not defective.

   (c) Show that for events A and B that $P(A|B) > P(A)$ implies $P(B|A) > P(B)$.

3 Submission

Zip your source files and upload them to the assignment page on MyClasses. Be sure to include all source files, properly documented, a `README` file to describe the program and how it works, along with answers to any above discussion questions.