

DASU20 Reflection

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In the first assignment the rest of the members of my group and I were assigned the same task which was to analyse the profile of a runner. This taught me how to extract data from visual information and use these to form hypotheses.

In the second assignment, I undertook the task of cleaning, analysing and visualising the data. Through this I improved my skills in excel. In the beginning it looked like it would be a simple operation where I would have to calculate the additional physical quantities and then make the graphs. When this was done the graphs showed a lot of variation between the data points and they needed to be simplified in order to be more easily understandable. To do that I learned how using formulas I could identify every Nth measurement and keep only those. That way of filtering the data was useful in our case as it allowed to experiment with how detailed we wanted the graphs to be, to compare and then to decide how many seconds would be ideal between the measurements we would keep.

In assignment three I again handled the data and created the visualisations. This time, in order for the process to be didactic I tried a different method of filtering out the data. This time I used python. My experience using python is not extensive so I had to learn how to calculate the extra quantities. Moreover, in the final assignment we became aware of various issues such as gaps in the measurements. These issues were the perfect opportunity to try out and learn different ways to fix them in python. Python functions I learned, for example, are interpolation for estimating unknown data points, resampling for keeping every Nth measurement and gaussian filtering. In addition to that, combining python and excel for using their different features was also an instructive experience to me. As much I would search I could not find an easy way to make linear regression lines in python. However, in excel is automatic. So, I learned how to export the modified datasets from python as excel and create the graphs with linear regressions in excel. This is an extremely easy and efficient way to use the best from both python and excel and it is surely going to be useful in the future. This work was of great importance in the project as most of the rest of the work was based on the visualisers produced by it. Even though I did not work on the part of drawing conclusions from the graphs I actively followed the process of making the motivational profiles and the final visualisation making myself aquatinted with the theoretical aspect of the project as well.

All in all, I believe this course was a great source of knowledge, useful for future projects. Most importantly, the realisation of the importance of the analysis and the research of the target user group, through motivational profiles, in designing an app was the greatest lesson. This showed me that making such an app for training and motivational purposes is not as easy as it seems and requires much more thought and research. This was something that I did not do in my past projects but its effectiveness in showing insights will be useful in the future.

seconds	column	keep	Δ latitude
28951	=INT(MOD(H4:\$I\$1))	=IF(@column=0,1,0)	
28952	2	0	
28953	3	0	
28954	4	0	
28955	5	0	
28956	6	0	
28957	7	0	
28958	8	0	
28959	9	0	
28960	10	0	
28961	11	0	
28962	12	0	
28963	13	0	
28964	14	0	
28965	15	0	
28966	16	0	
28967	17	0	
28968	18	0	
28969	19	0	
28970	20	0	
28971	21	0	
28972	22	0	
28973	23	0	
28974	24	0	
28975	25	0	
28976	26	0	
28977	27	0	
28978	28	0	
28979	29	0	
28980	0	1	
28981	1	0	
28982	2	0	
28983	3	0	

Filtering with excel

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In [5]: df2 = df.set_index('time_simple').resample('30s', origin='2021-09-02 18:24:18').mean()
df2

Out[5]:
           lat      lon  atemp  hr  cad  ele
time_simple
2021-09-02 18:24:18  51.490708  5.475566  24.000000  113.066667  67.633333  40.093334
2021-09-02 18:24:48  51.489845  5.476076  24.000000  138.333333  89.433333  39.880000
2021-09-02 18:25:18  51.488968  5.476581  24.000000  146.000000  88.200000  40.040000
2021-09-02 18:25:48  51.488376  5.475483  23.433333  147.833333  88.300000  40.333334
2021-09-02 18:26:18  51.488066  5.474440  23.900000  152.500000  66.300000  40.619999
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2021-09-02 19:31:18  51.487379  5.461182  21.000000  119.300000  58.466667  40.973333
2021-09-02 19:31:48  51.487122  5.460666  21.000000  116.600000  57.766667  41.033333
2021-09-02 19:32:18  51.486878  5.460154  21.000000  115.233333  57.066667  40.973333
2021-09-02 19:32:48  51.486625  5.459637  21.000000  113.833333  57.266667  41.000000
2021-09-02 19:33:18  51.486529  5.459217  21.000000  116.625000  10.500000  40.975000

139 rows x 6 columns

In [6]: df2.replace(0, np.NaN, inplace=True)
df3 = df2.interpolate()
df3

Out[6]:
           lat      lon  atemp  hr  cad  ele
time_simple
2021-09-02 18:24:18  51.490708  5.475566  24.000000  113.066667  67.633333  40.093334
2021-09-02 18:24:48  51.489845  5.476076  24.000000  138.333333  89.433333  39.880000
2021-09-02 18:25:18  51.488968  5.476581  24.000000  146.000000  88.200000  40.040000
2021-09-02 18:25:48  51.488376  5.475483  23.433333  147.833333  88.300000  40.333334
2021-09-02 18:26:18  51.488066  5.474440  23.900000  152.500000  66.300000  40.619999
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2021-09-02 19:31:48  51.487122  5.460666  21.000000  116.600000  57.766667  41.033333
2021-09-02 19:32:18  51.486878  5.460154  21.000000  115.233333  57.066667  40.973333
2021-09-02 19:32:48  51.486625  5.459637  21.000000  113.833333  57.266667  41.000000
2021-09-02 19:33:18  51.486529  5.459217  21.000000  116.625000  10.500000  40.975000

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Resampling with python (top) - Interpolation with python (bottom)