Paper Structure

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Abstract

SUMMARY OF THE ENTIRE PAPER. 4-6 Sentences. What you did, and what happened.

1 Intro

LONGER SUMMARY OF ENTIRE THE PAPER. AGAIN NO SURPRISES. There is no problem if you repeat things. So this should say what you are evaluating (i.e. what is your question), what you did to answer that, and what your result was.

2 Data

This is should answer every question I have about your data. I need to know all the details about the training program and what you know about the participants. Where did you get the non-experiemental data? What is in that dataset? Be thorough even if it seems tedious. Balance tables can go here. Creating your own table in LyX: Insert...float...table. Then click in the larger box, and insert...table.

3 Methods

Basically, how did you go about answering your question? If you did regressions, there should be a regression equation. Here is another nice thing about lyx: Go to insert...math...display formula

$$1978Earnings_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 Treat_i + \beta_2 Age_i + \beta_3 +$$

To put in a subscript, press shift-hyphen. To write a greek character like beta, press \beta.

So say what you did, but not what happened when you did it. Don't talk about coding.

4 Results

Write what happened when you did what you said you were going to do in the methods section. This is where you talk about your regression tables IN WORDS. Talk about the tables as if the reader isn't looking at them. Basically, highlight the important parts of the tables. Resist the urge to interpret your results in a practical sense. Be dry and straightforward. Sample table

5 Conclusion

Brief summary of the paper. Again, being reptitive is okay. Then, you can interpret your result. This is your chance to editorialize a bit about the what your work means.

OTHER TIPS

- To double space your document (better for for drafts of the paper.
  - Document -> Settings -> Text Layout -> Spacing
- For increasing the margins (I like 1 in. all around)
  - Document -> Settings -> Page Margins

Table 1: Effects of Phone Call on Voting

	Dependent variable:		
	vote02		
	(1)	(2)	(3)
contact	0.102^{***}	0.079^{***}	0.078^{***}
	(0.004)	(0.003)	(0.003)
age		0.006^{***}	0.006^{***}
		(0.0001)	(0.0001)
female			-0.027^{***}
			(0.003)
Constant	0.543^{***}	0.236^{***}	0.245^{***}
	(0.002)	(0.004)	(0.004)
Observations	119,509	119,509	118,509
R^2	0.007	0.054	0.057
Note:			*p<0.1; **p<0.05; ***p<0.01