Economics 7103 - Homework 2

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Python

Note: I asked Afi to help me with the Python code only. That's why I will follow similar steps as he did with small modifications.

Question 1.1

Response: Randomization worked which is demonstrated by comparison across control and treatment groups that indicates statistical balance in observables. Column 3 presents the differences in means and the standard errors of the differences in brackets. The differences are small and in case of electricity consumption statistically significant.

	Control	Treatment	P-value
Monthly electricity usage by HHs (kWh)	1181.33 454.31	1086.75 423.96	0.001 [3.403]
Square feet of home	1633.05	1657.55	[0.572]
Outdoor average temperature (°F)	$682.90 \\ 79.89$	686.27 79.89	[-0.566] 0.987
Observations	2.16 501.000000	$1.97 \\ 499.000000$	[-0.016]

Table 1: Summary Statistics for the treated and control groups.

Question 1.2

Question 1.3

Stata

Question 2.1

Question 2.2

Question 2.3

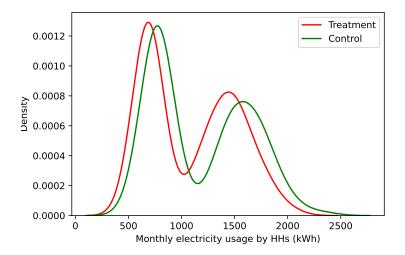


Figure 1: Kernel density plots of the electricity use for treated group and control group.

	Control	Treatment	P-value
electricity	1181.33	1086.75	0.001
	(454.31)	(423.96)	[3.404]
sqft	1633.05	1657.55	0.572
	(682.90)	(686.27)	[-0.566]
$_{ m temp}$	79.89	79.89	0.987
	(2.16)	(1.97)	[-0.016]
Observations	501	499	1,000

Table 2: Summary statistics produced using Stata

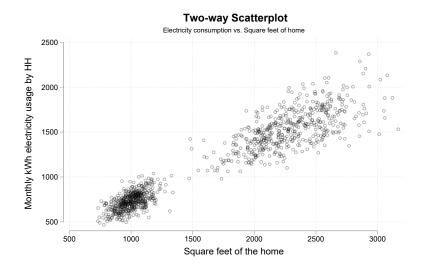


Figure 2: Scatterplot with electricity consumption and square feet of home

		(1)
	VARIABLES	electricity
	retrofit	-109.7***
		(7.943)
	sqft	0.615***
article		(0.00678)
	$_{ m temp}$	3.255*
	_	(1.932)
	Constant	-83.60
		(154.7)
	Observations	1,000
	R-squared	0.919
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Robust standard errors in parentheses
*** p<0.01, ** p<0.05, * p<0.1

Table 3: OLS regression results using Stata