Analyze_ab_test_results_notebook

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0.1 Analyze A/B Test Results

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This project will assure you have mastered the subjects covered in the statistics lessons. The hope is to have this project be as comprehensive of these topics as possible. Good luck!

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Introduction

A/B tests are very commonly performed by data analysts and data scientists. It is important that you get some practice working with the difficulties of these

For this project, you will be working to understand the results of an A/B test run by an ecommerce website. Your goal is to work through this notebook to help the company understand if they should implement the new page, keep the old page, or perhaps run the experiment longer to make their decision.

As you work through this notebook, follow along in the classroom and answer the corresponding quiz questions associated with each question. The labels for each classroom concept are provided for each question. This will assure you are on the right track as you work through the project, and you can feel more confident in your final submission meeting the criteria. As a final check, assure you meet all the criteria on the RUBRIC.

Part I - Probability

To get started, let's import our libraries.

```
In [38]: import pandas as pd
    import numpy as np
    import random
    import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
    %matplotlib inline
    #We are setting the seed to assure you get the same answers on quizzes as we set up
    random.seed(42)
```

- 1. Now, read in the ab_data.csv data. Store it in df. Use your dataframe to answer the questions in Quiz 1 of the classroom.
 - a. Read in the dataset and take a look at the top few rows here:

```
In [39]: df = pd.read_csv('ab_data.csv')
         df.head()
Out[39]:
           user_id
                                                     group landing_page converted
                                      timestamp
            851104 2017-01-21 22:11:48.556739
                                                               old_page
                                                   control
            804228 2017-01-12 08:01:45.159739
                                                                                 0
                                                   control
                                                               old_page
            661590 2017-01-11 16:55:06.154213 treatment
                                                               new_page
                                                                                 0
            853541 2017-01-08 18:28:03.143765 treatment
         3
                                                               new_page
                                                                                 0
            864975 2017-01-21 01:52:26.210827
                                                   control
                                                               old_page
```

b. Use the cell below to find the number of rows in the dataset.

```
In [40]: df.shape[0]
Out[40]: 294478
```

c. The number of unique users in the dataset.

```
In [41]: df.user_id.nunique()
Out[41]: 290584
```

d. The proportion of users converted.

```
In [42]: df.converted.mean()
Out[42]: 0.11965919355605512
```

e. The number of times the new_page and treatment don't match.

```
In [43]: df.query('(group == "treatment" and landing_page != "new_page") or (group != "treatment")
Out[43]: 3893
```

f. Do any of the rows have missing values?

- 2. For the rows where **treatment** does not match with **new_page** or **control** does not match with **old_page**, we cannot be sure if this row truly received the new or old page. Use **Quiz 2** in the classroom to figure out how we should handle these rows.
 - a. Now use the answer to the quiz to create a new dataset that meets the specifications from the quiz. Store your new dataframe in **df2**.

- 3. Use df2 and the cells below to answer questions for Quiz3 in the classroom.
- a. How many unique user_ids are in df2?

```
In [47]: df2.user_id.nunique()
Out[47]: 290584
```

b. There is one **user_id** repeated in **df2**. What is it?

```
In [48]: df2[df2.duplicated(['user_id'])]
```

```
        Out[48]:
        user_id
        timestamp
        group landing_page
        converted

        2893
        773192
        2017-01-14
        02:55:59.590927
        treatment
        new_page
        0
```

c. What is the row information for the repeat **user_id**?

```
In [49]: df2[df2.duplicated(['user_id'], keep=False)]
```

```
    Out[49]:
    user_id
    timestamp
    group landing_page
    converted

    1899
    773192
    2017-01-09
    05:37:58.781806
    treatment
    new_page
    0

    2893
    773192
    2017-01-14
    02:55:59.590927
    treatment
    new_page
    0
```

d. Remove **one** of the rows with a duplicate **user_id**, but keep your dataframe as **df2**.

```
In [50]: df2 = df2.drop_duplicates(['user_id'], keep='first')
```

- 4. Use df2 in the cells below to answer the quiz questions related to Quiz 4 in the classroom.
- a. What is the probability of an individual converting regardless of the page they receive?

```
In [51]: df2.converted.mean()
Out[51]: 0.11959708724499628
```

b. Given that an individual was in the control group, what is the probability they converted?

```
In [52]: df2.query('(group == "control")')['converted'].mean()
```

```
Out [52]: 0.1203863045004612
```

c. Given that an individual was in the treatment group, what is the probability they converted?

```
In [53]: df2.query('(group == "treatment")')['converted'].mean()
Out[53]: 0.11880806551510564
```

d. What is the probability that an individual received the new page?

```
In [54]: (df.landing_page == 'new_page').mean()
Out[54]: 0.5
```

e. Consider your results from parts (a) through (d) above, and explain below whether you think there is sufficient evidence to conclude that the new treatment page leads to more conversions.

Control Group or Old Page (0.1203863045004612) converted at a higher rate than Treatment or New Page (0.11880806551510564). But, this overall change is really small to take into consideration. Probability for the new-page is 0.5, meaning we need to consider other factors for conversion.

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### Part II - A/B Test
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Notice that because of the time stamp associated with each event, you could technically run a hypothesis test continuously as each observation was observed.

However, then the hard question is do you stop as soon as one page is considered significantly better than another or does it need to happen consistently for a certain amount of time? How long do you run to render a decision that neither page is better than another?

These questions are the difficult parts associated with A/B tests in general.

1. For now, consider you need to make the decision just based on all the data provided. If you want to assume that the old page is better unless the new page proves to be definitely better at a Type I error rate of 5%, what should your null and alternative hypotheses be? You can state your hypothesis in terms of words or in terms of p_{old} and p_{new} , which are the converted rates for the old and new pages.

H0: PNew<=POld, (POld and PNew are converted rates for old and new pages respectively.)

2. Assume under the null hypothesis, p_{new} and p_{old} both have "true" success rates equal to the **converted** success rate regardless of page - that is p_{new} and p_{old} are equal. Furthermore, assume they are equal to the **converted** rate in **ab_data.csv** regardless of the page.

Use a sample size for each page equal to the ones in **ab_data.csv**.

Perform the sampling distribution for the difference in **converted** between the two pages over 10,000 iterations of calculating an estimate from the null.

Use the cells below to provide the necessary parts of this simulation. If this doesn't make complete sense right now, don't worry - you are going to work through the problems below to complete this problem. You can use **Quiz 5** in the classroom to make sure you are on the right track.

a. What is the **conversion rate** for p_{new} under the null?

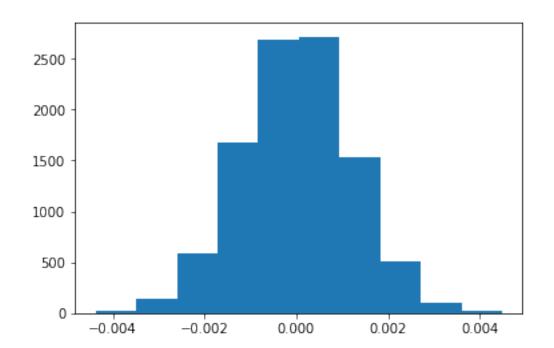
```
In [55]: pnew = df2['converted'].mean()
          pnew
Out [55]: 0.11959708724499628
  b. What is the conversion rate for p_{old} under the null?
In [56]: pold = df2['converted'].mean()
          pold
Out [56]: 0.11959708724499628
  c. What is n_{new}, the number of individuals in the treatment group?
In [57]: nnew = df2.query('(group == "treatment")').shape[0]
          nnew
Out[57]: 145310
  d. What is n_{old}, the number of individuals in the control group?
In [58]: nold = df2.query('(group == "control")').shape[0]
          nold
Out [58]: 145274
  e. Simulate n_{new} transactions with a conversion rate of p_{new} under the null. Store these n_{new} 1's
     and 0's in new_page_converted.
In [59]: new_page_converted = np.random.binomial(nnew,pnew)
  f. Simulate n_{old} transactions with a conversion rate of p_{old} under the null. Store these n_{old} 1's
     and 0's in old_page_converted.
In [60]: old_page_converted = np.random.binomial(nold,pold)
  g. Find p_{new} - p_{old} for your simulated values from part (e) and (f).
In [61]: new_page_converted/nnew - old_page_converted/nold
Out [61]: 0.0008170468050697349
  h. Create 10,000 p_{new} - p_{old} values using the same simulation process you used in parts (a)
     through (g) above. Store all 10,000 values in a NumPy array called p_diffs.
In [62]: p_diffs = []
          new_page_converted = np.random.binomial(nnew,pnew,10000)/nnew
          old_page_converted= np.random.binomial(nold,pold,10000)/nold
          p_diffs = new_page_converted - old_page_converted
```

p_diffs

<a list of 10 Patch objects>)

i. Plot a histogram of the **p_diffs**. Does this plot look like what you expected? Use the matching problem in the classroom to assure you fully understand what was computed here.

```
In [63]: plt.hist(p_diffs)
Out[63]: (array([
                           136.,
                    20.,
                                    585., 1682.,
                                                   2693.,
                                                           2717., 1537.,
                                                                             510.,
                             19.]),
                   101.,
          array([ -4.37981589e-03,
                                     -3.49260072e-03,
                                                       -2.60538554e-03,
                  -1.71817037e-03,
                                     -8.30955193e-04,
                                                        5.62599822e-05,
                   9.43475157e-04,
                                      1.83069033e-03,
                                                        2.71790551e-03,
                   3.60512068e-03,
                                      4.49233586e-03]),
```



j. What proportion of the p_diffs are greater than the actual difference observed in $ab_data.csv$?

Out[64]: 0.9085999999999999

k. Please explain using the vocabulary you've learned in this course what you just computed in part **j**. What is this value called in scientific studies? What does this value mean in terms of whether or not there is a difference between the new and old pages?

The value we just calculated is known as 'p-value'. A large p-value (> 0.05) indicates weak evidence against the null hypothesis, so you fail to reject the null hypothesis. It means that new page is significantly not better than the old page or new page is worse than old.

l. We could also use a built-in to achieve similar results. Though using the built-in might be easier to code, the above portions are a walkthrough of the ideas that are critical to correctly thinking about statistical significance. Fill in the below to calculate the number of conversions for each page, as well as the number of individuals who received each page. Let n_old and n_new refer the the number of rows associated with the old page and new pages, respectively.

```
In [65]: import statsmodels.api as sm

convert_old = sum((df2.group == 'control') & (df2.converted == 1))
    convert_new = sum((df2.group == 'treatment') & (df2.converted == 1))
    n_old = sum(df2.group == 'control')
    n_new = sum(df2.group == 'treatment')
    convert_old
Out[65]: 17489
```

m. Now use stats.proportions_ztest to compute your test statistic and p-value. Here is a helpful link on using the built in.

n. What do the z-score and p-value you computed in the previous question mean for the conversion rates of the old and new pages? Do they agree with the findings in parts **j.** and **k.**?

```
In [67]: from scipy.stats import norm
    # How significant z-score?
    print(norm.cdf(z_score))
    # For 95% CI
    print(norm.ppf(1-(0.05)))

0.094941687241
1.64485362695
```

Z-Score (-1.3109241984234394) calculated above is less than 95 % CI. We fail to reject null-hypothesis & we must accept null-hypothesis like j.

Part III - A regression approach

- 1. In this final part, you will see that the result you achieved in the A/B test in Part II above can also be achieved by performing regression.
 - a. Since each row is either a conversion or no conversion, what type of regression should you be performing in this case?

Logistic Regression.

b. The goal is to use **statsmodels** to fit the regression model you specified in part **a.** to see if there is a significant difference in conversion based on which page a customer receives. However, you first need to create in df2 a column for the intercept, and create a dummy variable column for which page each user received. Add an **intercept** column, as well as an **ab_page** column, which is 1 when an individual receives the **treatment** and 0 if **control**.

c. Use **statsmodels** to instantiate your regression model on the two columns you created in part b., then fit the model using the two columns you created in part b. to predict whether or not an individual converts.

d. Provide the summary of your model below, and use it as necessary to answer the following questions.

```
In [70]: results.summary2()
Out[70]: <class 'statsmodels.iolib.summary2.Summary'>
                           Results: Logit
       _____
       Model: Logit No. Iterations: 6.0000
Dependent Variable: converted Pseudo R-squared: 0.000
                                                   6.0000
                      2020-04-25 04:02 AIC:
       Date:
                                                  212780.3502
       No. Observations: 290584 BIC: 212801.5095
Df Model: 1 Log-Likelihood: -1.0639e+05
Df Residuals: 290582 LL-Null: -1.0639e+05
Converged: 1.0000 Scale: 1.0000
       Df Residuals: 290582
Converged: 1.0000
       ______
                 Coef. Std.Err. z P>|z| [0.025 0.975]
       _____
       intercept -1.9888 0.0081 -246.6690 0.0000 -2.0046 -1.9730
       treatment -0.0150 0.0114 -1.3109 0.1899 -0.0374 0.0074
       ______
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e. What is the p-value associated with ab_page? Why does it differ from the value you found in Part II? Hint: What are the null and alternative hypotheses associated with your regression model, and how do they compare to the null and alternative hypotheses in Part II?

0.1899, We get different p-values, because in Part II we used One-Sided Test and in part III we use Two-Sided Test.

f. Now, you are considering other things that might influence whether or not an individual converts. Discuss why it is a good idea to consider other factors to add into your regression model. Are there any disadvantages to adding additional terms into your regression model?

Additional factors may influence our conversion rate, but we don't know in which direction. Disadvantages: Adding high-correlation variables can affect our model (Multicollinearity).

g. Now along with testing if the conversion rate changes for different pages, also add an effect based on which country a user lives in. You will need to read in the **countries.csv** dataset and merge together your datasets on the appropriate rows. Here are the docs for joining tables.

Does it appear that country had an impact on conversion? Don't forget to create dummy variables for these country columns - **Hint: You will need two columns for the three dummy variables.** Provide the statistical output as well as a written response to answer this question.

h. Though you have now looked at the individual factors of country and page on conversion, we would now like to look at an interaction between page and country to see if there significant effects on conversion. Create the necessary additional columns, and fit the new model.

Provide the summary results, and your conclusions based on the results.

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In end, we can conclude that there is no significant p-value and we fail to reject the null hypothesis and there isn't sufficient information to predict interaction between country and page received. Hence, we do not have sufficient information to predict if new page results in more conversions than old page.

Finishing Up

Congratulations! You have reached the end of the A/B Test Results project! You should be very proud of all you have accomplished!

0.3 Directions to Submit

Before you submit your project, you need to create a .html or .pdf version of this note-book in the workspace here. To do that, run the code cell below. If it worked correctly, you should get a return code of 0, and you should see the generated .html file in the workspace directory (click on the orange Jupyter icon in the upper left).

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