# Analyze\_ab\_test\_results\_notebook

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## 0.1 Analyze A/B Test Results

You may either submit your notebook through the workspace here, or you may work from your local machine and submit through the next page. Either way assure that your code passes the project RUBRIC. Please save regularly.

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 e-commerce 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 [1]: 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)
    import warnings
    warnings.filterwarnings('ignore')
```

- 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:

Out[2]:	user_id		timestamp		landing_page	converted
0	851104		22:11:48.556739	control	old_page	0
1	804228		08:01:45.159739	control	old_page	0
2	661590		16:55:06.154213	treatment	${\tt new\_page}$	0
3	853541	2017-01-08	18:28:03.143765	treatment	new_page	0
4	864975		01:52:26.210827	control	old_page	1
5	936923	2017-01-10	15:20:49.083499	control	old_page	0
6	679687	2017-01-19	03:26:46.940749	treatment	new_page	1
7	719014	2017-01-17	01:48:29.539573	control	old_page	0
8	817355	2017-01-04	17:58:08.979471	treatment	${\tt new\_page}$	1
9	839785	2017-01-15	18:11:06.610965	treatment	new_page	1
10	929503	2017-01-18	05:37:11.527370	treatment	${\tt new\_page}$	0
11	834487	2017-01-21	22:37:47.774891	treatment	new_page	0
12	803683	2017-01-09	06:05:16.222706	treatment	${\tt new\_page}$	0
13	944475	2017-01-22	01:31:09.573836	treatment	${\tt new\_page}$	0
14	718956	2017-01-22	11:45:11.327945	treatment	new_page	0
15	644214	2017-01-22	02:05:21.719434	control	old_page	1
16	847721	2017-01-17	14:01:00.090575	control	old_page	0
17	888545	2017-01-08	06:37:26.332945	treatment	new_page	1
18	650559	2017-01-24	11:55:51.084801	control	old_page	0
19	935734	2017-01-17	20:33:37.428378	control	old_page	0
20	740805	2017-01-12	18:59:45.453277	treatment	${\tt new\_page}$	0
21	759875	2017-01-09	16:11:58.806110	treatment	${\tt new\_page}$	0
22	767017	2017-01-12	22:58:14.991443	control	${\tt new\_page}$	0
23	793849	2017-01-23	22:36:10.742811	treatment	${\tt new\_page}$	0
24	905617	2017-01-20	14:12:19.345499	treatment	${\tt new\_page}$	0
25	746742	2017-01-23	11:38:29.592148	control	old_page	0
26	892356	2017-01-05	09:35:14.904865	treatment	${\tt new\_page}$	1
27	773302		08:29:49.810594	treatment	${\tt new\_page}$	0
28	913579		09:11:39.164256	control	old_page	1
29	736159		01:50:21.318242	treatment	${\tt new\_page}$	0
30	690284		17:22:57.182769	control	${\tt old\_page}$	0
31	826115		11:27:16.756633	treatment	${\tt new\_page}$	0
32	875124		15:39:25.439906	treatment	${\tt new\_page}$	1
33	931013		03:23:57.932344	treatment	$new_page$	0
34	710349		22:24:44.226492	control	old_page	0
35	677533		17:48:50.491821	control	old_page	0
36	831737		21:18:20.911015	control	old_page	1
37	648583		09:03:05.545308	treatment	new_page	0
38	728086	2017-01-03	17:07:00.837852	treatment	new_page	0

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870163 2017-01-02 21:33:49.325594 treatment
39
                                                                          0
                                                        new_page
     771087 2017-01-16 00:05:29.983919
40
                                           control
                                                        old_page
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     739414 2017-01-03 13:25:55.139705 treatment
41
                                                        new_page
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42
     896163 2017-01-22 09:10:20.753218
                                                        old_page
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                                           control
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43
     862225 2017-01-08 14:49:37.335432
                                           control
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     939593 2017-01-05 09:15:31.984283
                                                        old_page
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44
                                           control
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     702260 2017-01-18 13:55:31.488221
                                           control
                                                        old_page
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46
     943635 2017-01-22 13:37:39.722775
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                                                        new_page
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     800436 2017-01-20 07:47:47.224386
47
                                         treatment
                                                        new_page
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48
     698590 2017-01-23 11:51:59.925413
                                         treatment
                                                        new_page
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     830513 2017-01-12 00:50:01.470557
49
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                                         treatment
                                                        new_page
     670941 2017-01-05 08:16:41.306478
50
                                           control
                                                        old_page
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     850231 2017-01-18 17:18:04.790584
51
                                                        old_page
                                           control
                                                                          1
     916511 2017-01-22 06:20:04.691382 treatment
52
                                                        new_page
                                                                          0
53
     897174 2017-01-17 02:03:25.962173
                                         treatment
                                                        new_page
     906999 2017-01-22 19:16:44.715266 treatment
54
                                                                          0
                                                        new_page
```

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

In [3]: len(df.index)

```
Dut[3]: 294478
In [4]: df.user_id.nunique()
Out[4]: 290584
    c. The number of unique users in the dataset.
In [12]: df['user_id'].nunique()
Out[12]: 290584
    d. The proportion of users converted.
In [5]: df.query('converted == 1').user_id.nunique() / df.user_id.nunique()
Out[5]: 0.12104245244060237
    e. The number of times the new_page and treatment don't match.
In [6]: df.query("(group != 'treatment' and landing_page == 'new_page') or (group == 'treatment' Out[6]: 3893
    f. Do any of the rows have missing values?
In [7]: df.shape[0] - df.dropna().shape[0]
Out[7]: 0
```

- 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**.

```
In []:
In [44]: df2 = df.query("(group == 'control' and landing_page == 'old_page') or (group == 'treat len(df2)
Out[44]: 290585
```

- 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 [45]: df2.user_id.nunique()
Out[45]: 290584
```

b. There is one **user\_id** repeated in **df2**. What is it?

```
In [10]: print(df2[df2['user_id'].duplicated()]['user_id'].to_string(index=False))
773192
```

c. What is the row information for the repeat user\_id?

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

```
In [12]: df2.drop_duplicates(['user_id'], keep='first',inplace=True)
```

- 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 [13]: df2['converted'].mean()
Out[13]: 0.11959708724499628
```

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

```
In [14]: df2[df2['group'] == 'control']['converted'].mean()
```

```
Out[14]: 0.1203863045004612
```

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

```
In [15]: df2[df2['group'] == 'treatment']['converted'].mean()
Out[15]: 0.11880806551510564
```

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

```
In [16]: len(df2[df2['landing_page'] == 'new_page'].index)/len(df2.index)
Out[16]: 0.5000619442226688
```

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.

#### Your answer goes here.

```
### 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.

### Put your answer here.

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.

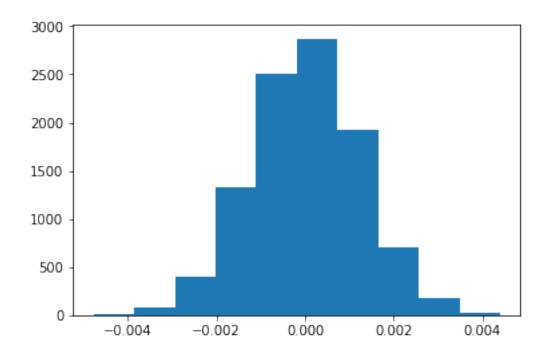
Use the cells below to provide the necessary parts of this simulation. If this doesn't make complete sense right now, don't worry - you are going to work through the problems below to complete this problem. You can use **Quiz 5** in the classroom to make sure you are on the right track.

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

b. What is the **conversion rate** for  $p_{old}$  under the null?

```
In [18]: p_old = df2['converted'].mean()
          p_old
Out[18]: 0.11959708724499628
  c. What is n_{new}, the number of individuals in the treatment group?
In [19]: n_new = len(df2.query('landing_page == "new_page"'))
          n_new
Out[19]: 145310
  d. What is n_{old}, the number of individuals in the control group?
In [20]: n_old = len(df2.query('landing_page == "old_page"'))
          n_old
Out[20]: 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 [21]: new_page_converted = np.random.binomial(1, p=p_new, size=n_new)
   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 [22]: old_page_converted = np.random.binomial(1, p=p_old, size=n_old)
  g. Find p_{new} - p_{old} for your simulated values from part (e) and (f).
In [23]: new_page_converted.mean()-old_page_converted.mean()
```

- Out[23]: -0.00094507911654652388
  - 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**.
- - 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 [25]: plt.hist(p\_diffs);



j. What proportion of the **p\_diffs** are greater than the actual difference observed in **ab data.csv**?

Out [26]: 0.9040000000000003

k. In words, explain 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?

Answer: We calculated the p value. P value helps us determine the significance of our results, whether we accept the null hypothesis or reject it. Since the value p is not small, we could not reject the null hypothesis and do not prefer the new page and keep the old page.

I. 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.

```
len(df2.query(" landing_page == 'old_page' and converted == 1").index)
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```
In [28]: import statsmodels.api as sm

convert_old = len(df2.query(" landing_page == 'old_page' and converted == 1").index)
convert_new = len(df2.query(" landing_page == 'new_page' and converted == 1").index)
n_old = len(df2[df2['group'] == 'control'].index)
n_new = len(df2[df2['group'] == 'treatment'].index)
```

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.?

### 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**.

```
In [54]: df2['intercept']=1
         df2[['control', 'ab_page']]=pd.get_dummies(df2['group'])
         df2.drop(labels=['control'], axis=1, inplace=True)
         df2.head()
Out[54]:
           user id
                                      timestamp
                                                     group landing_page converted \
            851104 2017-01-21 22:11:48.556739
                                                               old_page
                                                   control
            804228 2017-01-12 08:01:45.159739 control
         1
                                                               old_page
                                                                                 0
         2 661590 2017-01-11 16:55:06.154213 treatment
                                                               new_page
                                                                                 0
         3 853541 2017-01-08 18:28:03.143765 treatment
                                                                                 0
                                                               new_page
            864975 2017-01-21 01:52:26.210827
                                                 control
                                                               old_page
            intercept ab_page
         0
                    1
                    1
                             0
         1
         2
                   1
                             1
         3
                    1
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                    1
                             0
  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.

```
In [55]: import statsmodels.api as sm
         m = sm.Logit(df2.converted, df2[['intercept', 'ab_page']])
         results = m.fit()
Optimization terminated successfully.
         Current function value: 0.366118
         Iterations 6
In [60]: from scipy import stats
         stats.chisqprob = lambda chisq, df: stats.chi2.sf(chisq, df)
```

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

```
In [61]: results.summary()
Out[61]: <class 'statsmodels.iolib.summary.Summary'>
                                    Logit Regression Results
```

\_\_\_\_\_\_ Dep. Variable: converted No. Observations: 290585 Model: Logit Df Residuals: 290583 Method: MLE Df Model: 8.085e-06 -1.0639e+05 Date: Mon, 28 Sep 2020 Pseudo R-squ.: 04:43:21 Log-Likelihood: Time:

converged:			True LL-Null: LLR p-value:			-1.0639e+05 0.1897	
========	coef	std err	z	P> z	[0.025	0.975]	
intercept ab_page	-1.9888 -0.0150	0.008	-246.669 -1.312	0.000 0.190	-2.005 -0.037	-1.973 0.007	

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?

\*\*The p-value associated with ab\_page is 0.19. It is not statistifically significant as it is not less than 0.05. The reason why p-value is different in Part 2 because in the previous part we performed a one-sided test, where in this part, logistic regression, we performed two-sided test. This implies that p\_new is equal to p\_old. which is the null hypothesis of a two tailed 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?

Considering other things that might influence the conversions and taking them into account is a good idea. These new features can contribute to the significance of the results of our tests and lead to more precise decisions. One of the drawbacks of adding additional terms in the regression model is Simpson's paradox. It is that a trend can appear in several different groups of data but disappears or reverses when these groups are combined.

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.

```
In [63]: df_new[['UK', 'US']] = pd.get_dummies(df_new['country'])[['UK', 'US']]
       df_new.head()
Out[63]:
                                              group landing_page \
             country
                                  timestamp
       user id
       630000
                 US 2017-01-19 06:26:06.548941
                                           treatment
                                                      new_page
       630001
                 US 2017-01-16 03:16:42.560309
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       630002
                 US 2017-01-19 19:20:56.438330
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       630003
                 US 2017-01-12 10:09:31.510471
                                           treatment
                                                      new_page
       630004
                 US 2017-01-18 20:23:58.824994
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       630004
In [64]: model = sm.Logit(df_new.converted, df_new[['UK', 'US']])
       results = model.fit()
       results.summary()
Optimization terminated successfully.
       Current function value: 0.382863
       Iterations 6
Out[64]: <class 'statsmodels.iolib.summary.Summary'>
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                            Logit Regression Results
       ______
       Dep. Variable:
                                       No. Observations:
                             converted
                                                                290585
       Model:
                                Logit Df Residuals:
                                                                290583
       Method:
                                  MLE
                                      Df Model:
                                                                     1
       Date:
                       Mon, 28 Sep 2020
                                      Pseudo R-squ.:
                                                               -0.04573
                              04:44:50
                                      Log-Likelihood:
       Time:
                                                           -1.1125e+05
                                 True LL-Null:
                                                            -1.0639e+05
       converged:
                                       LLR p-value:
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                  -1.9868
                            0.011
                                  -174.174
                                              0.000
                                                       -2.009
                                                                -1.964
                                  -292.315
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                            0.007
                                              0.000
                                                       -2.010
                                                                -1.983
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```

## 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!

**Tip**: Once you are satisfied with your work here, check over your report to make sure that it is satisfies all the areas of the rubric (found on the project submission page at the end of the lesson). You should also probably remove all of the "Tips" like this one so that the presentation is as polished as possible.

#### 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).

Alternatively, you can download this report as .html via the **File > Download as** submenu, and then manually upload it into the workspace directory by clicking on the orange Jupyter icon in the upper left, then using the Upload button.

Once you've done this, you can submit your project by clicking on the "Submit Project" button in the lower right here. This will create and submit a zip file with this .ipynb doc and the .html or .pdf version you created. Congratulations!