

# causal\_python\_pycon2021

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## 1 Causal Python - PyCon2021 IL

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### 2.1 Sex Bias in Graduate Admissions: Data From Berkeley

Simpson's Paradox (Confounder Bias) Effect Estimation in 4 Ways: 1. Naive 2. Standardization 3. Regression 4. IPTW

Inspired by a Science paper: P.J. Bickel, E.A. Hammel and J.W. O'Connell (1975). "Sex Bias in Graduate Admissions: Data From Berkeley" (PDF). Science. 187 (4175): 398-404. doi:10.1126/science.187.4175.398. PMID 17835295.

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[253]: import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
from io import StringIO
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[190]: dataset = """Department,Male-Admitted,Male-Denied,Female-Admitted,Female-Denied
A,512,313,89,19
B,313,207,17,8
C,101,205,202,391
D,138,279,131,244
E,40,138,94,299
F,22,351,24,317"""
# from https://raw.githubusercontent.com/hupili/
# python-for-data-and-media-communication-gitbook/master/assets/
# 1973-UC-Berkeley-Admission-Data-Synthesis-Data.csv
df = pd.read_csv(StringIO(dataset))
df
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[190]:
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	Department	Male-Admitted	Male-Denied	Female-Admitted	Female-Denied
0	A	512	313	89	19
1	B	313	207	17	8
2	C	101	205	202	391
3	D	138	279	131	244
4	E	40	138	94	299
5	F	22	351	24	317

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[195]: def melt_and_duplicate(df):
        """convert the summary stats to raw data where every row is a student"""
        df_melt = df.melt(id_vars='Department', var_name='group', value_name='count')
        df_melt['male'] = df_melt['group'].str.contains('Male')
        df_melt['admitted'] = df_melt['group'].str.contains('Admitted')
        df_list = []
        for i in range(len(df_melt)):
            df_list.append(pd.concat([df_melt.iloc[[i]] * df_melt.
→iloc[i]['count'], axis=0))
            df_raw = pd.concat(df_list, axis=0)
            df_raw = df_raw.drop(['group', 'count'], axis=1)
        return df_raw
df_raw = melt_and_duplicate(df)
df_raw
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[195]:
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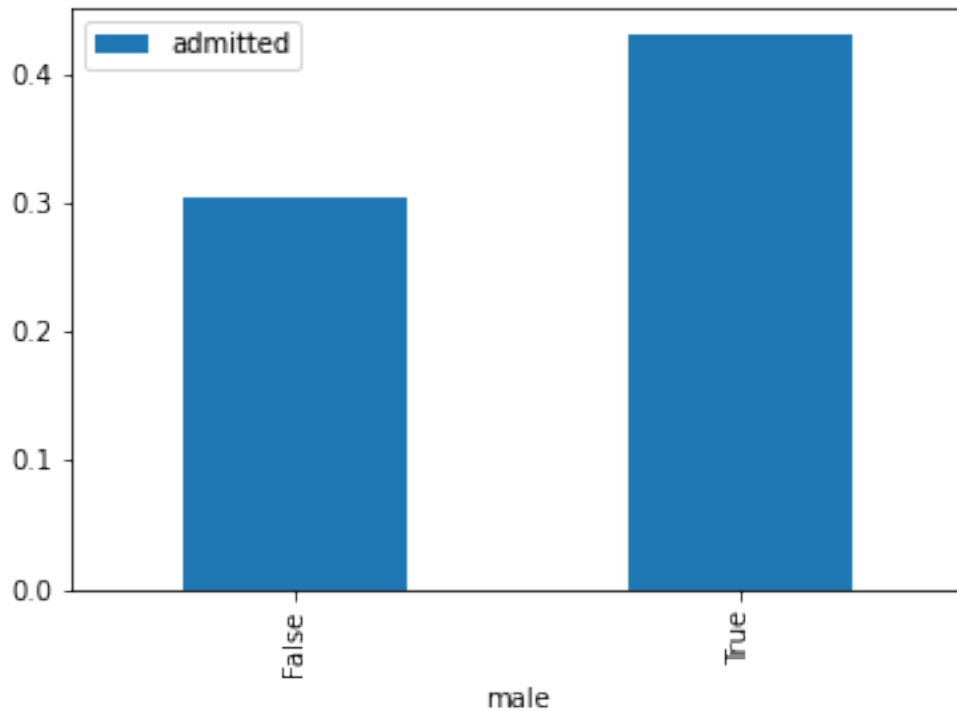
	Department	male	admitted
0	A	True	True
0	A	True	True
0	A	True	True
0	A	True	True
0	A	True	True
..	...	...	...
23	F	False	False
23	F	False	False
23	F	False	False
23	F	False	False
23	F	False	False

[4454 rows x 3 columns]

## 2.2 Native Approach

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[249]: naive_est = df_raw.groupby('male')['admitted'].mean()
naive_est.plot(kind='bar', legend=True)
naive_ate = naive_effect.diff()[1]
print(naive_ate)
```

0.1263928553964791



### 2.3 Wrong conclusion: Bias in admission to favour males over females

### 2.4 Stantarization

```
[152]: p_x = df_raw.Department.value_counts(normalize=True)
p_x.to_frame()
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[152]: Department
A    0.209475
C    0.201841
D    0.177818
F    0.160305
E    0.128199
B    0.122362
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[153]: p_y_x = df_raw.groupby(['Department', 'male'])['admitted'].mean()
p_y_x = p_y_x.reset_index(level=1)
p_y_x
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[153]:      male  admitted
Department
A      False  0.824074
A       True  0.620606
B      False  0.680000
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B          True  0.601923
C          False 0.340641
C           True 0.330065
D          False 0.349333
D           True 0.330935
E          False 0.239186
E           True 0.224719
F          False 0.070381
F           True 0.058981

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[157]: p_y_x['weighted'] = p_y_x['admitted'] * p_x
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[247]: stratified_ate = p_y_x.groupby('male').weighted.sum().diff()[1]
print(stratified_ate)
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-0.06126318937738062
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[165]: stratified_effect.diff()
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[165]: male
False      NaN
True    -0.061263
Name: weighted, dtype: float64
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## 2.5 Regression Adjustment

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[171]: from statsmodels.regression.linear_model import OLS
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[198]: import statsmodels.formula.api as smf
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[243]: df_raw['y'] = df_raw.admitted.astype('float')
reg_model = smf.ols(formula = 'y ~ male + C(Department)', data=df_raw.
    ↳reset_index()).fit()
reg_ate = reg_model.params['male[T.True]']
reg_model.summary()
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[243]: <class 'statsmodels.iolib.summary.Summary'>
      """
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                                OLS Regression Results
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Dep. Variable:                  y      R-squared:                0.172
Model:                            OLS      Adj. R-squared:           0.171
Method:                 Least Squares      F-statistic:             153.9
Date:                Mon, 26 Apr 2021      Prob (F-statistic):       4.25e-178
Time:                  18:38:11      Log-Likelihood:          -2675.4
No. Observations:                4454      AIC:                     5365.
Df Residuals:                    4447      BIC:                     5410.

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Df Model:                6
Covariance Type:          nonrobust
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              coef      std err          t      P>|t|      [0.025
0.975]
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Intercept          0.6775      0.020     34.086      0.000      0.639
0.716
male[T.True]       -0.0377      0.015     -2.442      0.015     -0.068
-0.007
C(Department) [T.B] -0.0360      0.024     -1.512      0.131     -0.083
0.011
C(Department) [T.C] -0.3276      0.022    -14.707      0.000     -0.371
-0.284
C(Department) [T.D] -0.3180      0.022    -14.431      0.000     -0.361
-0.275
C(Department) [T.E] -0.4310      0.025    -17.195      0.000     -0.480
-0.382
C(Department) [T.F] -0.5934      0.023    -26.193      0.000     -0.638
-0.549
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Omnibus:                2839.241   Durbin-Watson:              0.007
Prob(Omnibus):           0.000   Jarque-Bera (JB):            330.503
Skew:                    0.328   Prob(JB):                    1.71e-72
Kurtosis:                1.838   Cond. No.                     8.00
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Notes:
[1] Standard Errors assume that the covariance matrix of the errors is correctly
specified.
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## 2.6 IPTW

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[206]: df_raw['male_float'] = df_raw['male'].astype('float')
propensity_model = smf.ols(formula = 'male_float ~ C(Department)', data = df_raw)
↳ df_raw.reset_index()).fit()

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[214]: p = propensity_model.get_prediction().predicted_mean

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[244]: iptw_ate = (df_raw['admitted']*(df_raw['male'] - p)/(p*(1-p))).mean()

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## 2.7 Summary

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[255]: pd.DataFrame({'method': ['naive', 'standartization', 'regression', 'IPTW'],  
                    'ATE': [naive_ate, stratified_ate, reg_ate, iptw_ate]}).  
      ↪ set_index('method').plot(kind='barh');
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