

Stat 230, Spring 2016

Homework 5: Path Models

Due Thursday Feb 26 at 11:55pm on bspace.

I'd like you to read and understand these problems from the book:

Ch 5: D2, E1,6, Disc 11

Ch 6: A3, B2

Part 1: From the book Do Lab 9 in the text on page 303.

Part 2: More with the same path model You've basically done all the work since you've done Lab 9, but let's actually do the hypothesis tests explicitly.

1. Reproduce the hypothesis tests done by Gibson to show that the -0.35 in his path diagram (page 88) is highly significant ($p < 0.01$) but that the -0.06 is not. However, do it unweighted as Freedman argues he should have done on page 90.
2. Do the hypothesis test with the null that $(\hat{\beta}_2 - \hat{\beta}_{a_1}) = 0$, discussed on pages 89-90.
3. Comment on the validity of these hypothesis tests and what conclusions can be drawn from them. (I know this is open-ended, please write 2-3 sentences about each situation describing issues and conclusions.)