

Final Project Part 1

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1) What are the key predictors for determining score on the 7th Grade Common Core Math assessment?

Relevant Variables:

School Location (District)

Income Levels

Size of School

School Quality Review

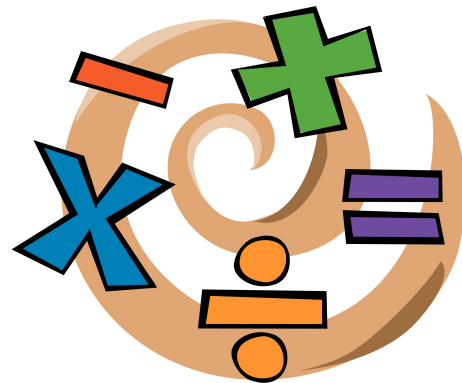
Hypothesis:

School safety, number of students on free or reduced-price lunch and quality of teacher instruction will have the largest impact on student test achievement.

Data Source: NYC Department of Education

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<http://schools.nyc.gov/NR/rdonlyres/C7E210CA-F686-4805-BEA6-EDD91F76E58B/199999/CitywideMathResults20132016Public.xlsx>



2) Is there a way to predict the quality of a movie without relying on critics or our own instincts?

Relevant Variables:

Actor
Director
Actor Facebook Likes
Release Date
Budget
Genre
Country of Release



Hypothesis:

Director and Actors will have the largest impact on the overall movie rating.

Data Source: Kaggle

<https://www.kaggle.com/deepmatrix/imdb-5000-movie-dataset>

3) How effective are bike lanes at preventing bicycle accidents in NYC?

Relevant Variables:

Types of bike lanes

Location

Type of Accident

Hypothesis:

The precincts with more shared bike lanes and protected bike lanes will have fewer accidents than those without.

Data Source: NYC Department of Transportation

<http://www.nyc.gov/html/dot/downloads/pdf/bicycle-crash-data-report-2015.pdf>

