Musclehub: To Fitness Test or Not to Fitness Test

An A/B Analysis of Musclehubs induction process

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Executive Summary

- I tested whether having a fitness test during the gym application process had an impact on the percentage of people who became members.
- The conclusion was removing the fitness test increased the overall percentage of visitors who became members.
- It also increased the likelihood of visitors making an application.
- Once the application was made, it was more likely that those who took the fitness test would go on to become members. However, the difference was not statistically significant.

50.04% 49.96%

Summary of the dataset

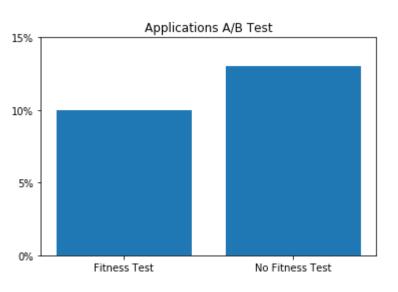
- We had 4 tables in the SQL database, each table equated to a different stage in the application process.
- We merged all 4 tables, to create 1 large dataframe called df. See the bottom left for a sample.
- We only looked at data from 7-1-17 and after.
- We performed our analysis on the merged dataset named df.
- 2504 people were assigned to the fitness test group - group A
- 2500 people were assigned to non fitness test group group B See top left for a visual representation of the A/B split.

Hypothesis Test 1

- When looking at the number of visitors from group A & B who went on to make an application we find that group B (the non fitness test group) performed better than group A. 13% of group B made an application compared to group A's 10%.
- I wanted to examine whether this difference is statistically significant, so I completed a Chi Square Test. The conclusion was that the difference is statistically significant.
- P Value = 0.00096
- It would seem that people are more likely to make an application if there is no fitness test involved.

Applicants from Group A & B

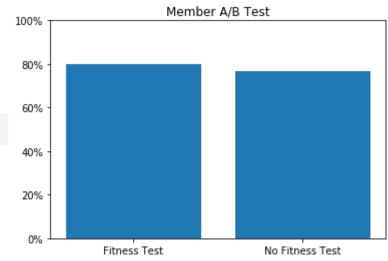
is_application	ab_test_group	Application	No Application	Total	Percent with Application
0	А	250	2254	2504	9.98
1	В	325	2175	2500	13.00



Hypothesis Test 2

- The second test I ran was to analyse the difference between applicants from both groups and whether the fitness test had an impact on people paying to become full members.
- Group A had a higher conversion rate from applicant to member at 80%, compared to group B 76%.
- On the face of it, it would seem beyond the application stage, the fitness test no longer had an impact on people's decision to pay for a membership.
- However, after performing a Chi Square Test, the conclusion was the result was not statistically significant –
 0.43

is_member	ab_test_group	Member	Not Member	Total	Percent Purchase
0	Α	200	50	250	0.800000
1	В	250	75	325	0.769231



Hypothesis Test 3

- For test 3, we wanted to analyse the percent of visitors from each group who went on to become members.
- Group B appeared to have an advantage, with 10% of all visitors in the non fitness test group becoming members.
- Group A the non fitness test group had a 8% conversion rate from visitor to member.
- It would appear that removing the fitness test compenent of the application process, increases the likelihhod of a visitor becoming a paid member.

I tested these numbers for statistical significance, using a Chi Square Test, the result was 0.014. The Final Member A/B Test

difference was statistically significant.

						8% -		
is_member	ab_test_group	Member	Not Member	Total	Percent Purchase	6% -		
0	Α	200	2304	2504	0.079872	4% -		
1	В	250	2250	2500	0.100000	2% -	Fitness Test	No Fitness Test

Qualitative data

- The interviews conducted indicated that there was a preference for not having a fitness test.
- Of the 2 who didn't take the fitness test, both showed a preference for not having a fitness test, but only 1
 joined.
- Of the 2 who did take the fitness test, only 1 became a member, but the individual who didn't showed a clear dislike for the fitness test.
- It must be noted that only 4 interviews were conducted, so the sample size is very small, and it is quite difficult to draw meaningful conclusions from it. It can be said, however, there was a slight preference for the not having a fitness test.

Conclusion and next steps

- The analysis conducted, clearly shows that removing the fitness test component of the application process increases the likelihood of a visitor becoming a member.
- However, my recommendation would be to test a new hypothesis:
- Giving visitors the choice between having a fitness test and not having one. Doing so, I believe, will increase the number of people who become members.
- My logic is that there are some people who do indeed like the fitness test, so allowing the option may capture some visitors who would prefer the option.
- The test would place people in 2 groups:
- Group A No fitness test
- Group B Optional fitness test