Homework 2

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1 Python

1.1 Check for balance between the treatment and control groups

	Control Mean (s.d.)	Retrofit Mean (s.d.)	Difference p value of t-test
Electricity	1181.33	1086.75	0.001
	(454.31)	(423.96)	
Sqft	1633.05	1657.55	0.572
	(682.90)	(686.27)	
Temp	79.89	79.89	0.987
	(2.16)	(1.97)	

Table 1: Summary Statistics by control and treatment group

The characteristics of Sqft and Temp are good measures for the households since the p-values of the two variables in the t-test is large, which means that the average Sqft and Temp among two groups are similar. And the p-value of Electricity is less than 1%, which means there is significant difference in Electricity use between two groups and the randomized experiment succeeded in creating the desired variation.

1.2 Kernel Density Plots

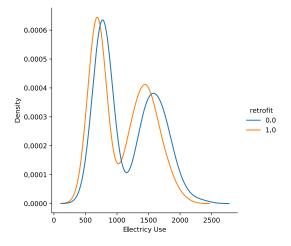


Figure 1: Kernel density plots of electricity use by control and treatment group

1.3 Estimation

(a) OLS by hand

	OLS (by hand) Coefficients
Constant	-83.602758
Sqft	0.615339
Retrofit	-109.666176
Temp	3.255075

Table 2: Coefficients from calculating OLS by hand

(b) OLS by simulated least squares

	OLS
	(by simulated
	least squares)
	Coefficients
Constant	-83.556600
Sqft	0.615338
Retrofit	-109.666059
Temp	3.254502

Table 3: Coefficients from simulated least squares

(c) OLS using a canned routine

	OLS
	(by StatsModels)
	Coefficients
Constant	-83.602758
Sqft	0.615339
Retrofit	-109.666176
Temp	3.255075

Table 4: Coefficients from using a canned routine

2 Stata

2.1 Check for balance between treatment and control group.

	Control	Retrofit	Difference
	mean/sd	mean/sd	p
electricity	1181.33	1086.75	0.001***
	454.31	423.96	
sqft	1633.05	1657.55	0.572
	682.90	686.27	
$_{ m temp}$	79.89	79.89	0.987
	2.16	1.97	
Observations	501	499	1000

Table 5: Summary Statistics by control and treatment group

2.2 Scatter Plot with electricity consumption vs sqft

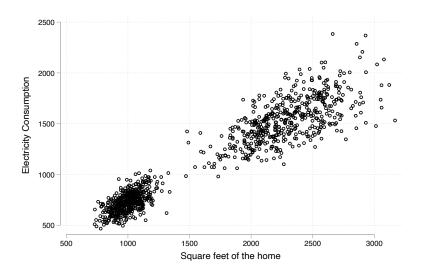


Figure 2: Scatter plot of electricity consumption versus square feet

2.3 Regression Results

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VARIABLES	Ordinary least squares
sqft	0.62**
	(0.01)
retrofit	-109.67**
	(7.94)
temp	3.26
	(1.93)
Constant	-83.60
	(154.69)
Observations	1,000
R-squared	0.92
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Robust standard errors in parentheses
** p<0.01, * p<0.05

Table 6: Regression results table with heteroskedasticity standard errors