# Analyze\_ab\_test\_results\_notebook

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# 0.1 Analyze A/B Test Results

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#### 0.2.1 Introduction

A/B tests are very commonly performed to test the performance of an old website page compared to a newly developed website page using bootstrapping for hypothesis testing. we also apply logistic regression . #### Part I - Probability

To get started, let's import our libraries.

```
In [3]: import pandas as pd
    import numpy as np
    import random
    import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
    %matplotlib inline
    #We are setting the seed to assure you get the same answers on quizzes as we set up
    random.seed(42)
```

- 1. Now, read in the ab\_data.csv data. Store it in df. Use your dataframe to answer the questions in Quiz 1 of the classroom.
  - a. Read in the dataset and take a look at the top few rows here:

```
In [49]: #Loading dataset to dataframe
        df = pd.read_csv('ab_data.csv')
        df.head()
Out [49]:
           user_id
                                    timestamp
                                                  group landing_page converted
           851104 2017-01-21 22:11:48.556739
                                                control
                                                            old_page
            804228 2017-01-12 08:01:45.159739
                                                                              0
        1
                                                control
                                                            old_page
        2 661590 2017-01-11 16:55:06.154213 treatment
                                                            new_page
                                                                             0
        3
            853541 2017-01-08 18:28:03.143765 treatment
                                                            new_page
                                                                             0
            864975 2017-01-21 01:52:26.210827 control
                                                            old_page
```

b. Use the below cell to find the number of rows in the dataset.

```
In [5]: df.shape[0]
Out [5]: 294478
  c. The number of unique users in the dataset.
In [6]: df.user_id.nunique()
Out[6]: 290584
  d. The proportion of users converted.
In [7]: df.converted.mean()
Out[7]: 0.11965919355605512
```

e. The number of times the new\_page and treatment don't line up.

```
In [8]: len(df.query("(group != 'treatment' and landing_page=='new_page') or ( group == 'treatment'
Out[8]: 3893
```

f. Do any of the rows have missing values?

```
In [9]: df.isnull().sum()
Out[9]: user_id
                         0
                         0
        timestamp
                         0
        group
        landing_page
                         0
        converted
                         0
        dtype: int64
```

- 2. For the rows where **treatment** is not aligned with **new\_page** or **control** is not aligned with old\_page, we cannot be sure if this row truly received the new or old page. Use Quiz 2 in the classroom to provide how we should handle these rows.
  - a. Now use the answer to the quiz to create a new dataset that meets the specifications from the quiz. Store your new dataframe in df2.

```
In [10]: df2 = df.query("(group == 'control' and landing_page == 'old_page') or (group == 'treat
In [11]: # Double Check all of the correct rows were removed - this should be 0
         df2[((df2['group'] == 'treatment') == (df2['landing_page'] == 'new_page')) == False].sh
Out[11]: 0
```

- 3. Use df2 and the cells below to answer questions for Quiz3 in the classroom.
- a. How many unique user\_ids are in df2?

```
In [12]: df2.user_id.nunique()
Out[12]: 290584
  b. There is one user_id repeated in df2. What is it?
In [13]: df2[df2.duplicated(['user_id'])]['user_id'].unique()
Out[13]: array([773192])
  c. What is the row information for the repeat user_id?
In [14]: df2[df2.duplicated(['user_id'], keep=False)]
Out[14]:
                user_id
                                           timestamp
                                                            group landing_page
                                                                                 converted
         1899
                 773192 2017-01-09 05:37:58.781806 treatment
                                                                      new_page
         2893
                 773192 2017-01-14 02:55:59.590927 treatment
                                                                                          0
                                                                      new_page
  d. Remove one of the rows with a duplicate user_id, but keep your dataframe as df2.
In [15]: # dropping the duplicates
         df2 = df2.drop_duplicates(['user_id'], keep='first')
   4. Use df2 in the below cells to answer the quiz questions related to Quiz 4 in the classroom.
  a. What is the probability of an individual converting regardless of the page they receive?
In [16]: # mean of dataframe after dropping nulls
         df2.converted.mean()
Out[16]: 0.11959708724499628
  b. Given that an individual was in the control group, what is the probability they converted?
In [17]: control_convert = df2.query("group =='control'").converted.mean()
         control_convert
Out [17]: 0.1203863045004612
  c. Given that an individual was in the treatment group, what is the probability they con-
     verted?
In [18]: treat_convert = df2[df2["group"] =='treatment']['converted'].mean()
         treat convert
Out[18]: 0.11880806551510564
  d. What is the probability that an individual received the new page?
In [19]: len(df2.query("landing_page == 'new_page'"))/len(df2)
Out[19]: 0.5000619442226688
```

e. Use the results in the previous two portions of this question to suggest if you think there is evidence that one page leads to more conversions? Write your response below.

These results suggest that there is not sufficient evidence to say that the treatment page leads to more conversions as the probability of conversion for the treatment group is less than that for the control group.

### Part II - A/B Test

Hypotheses

1. For now, consider you need to make the decision just based on all the data provided. If you want to assume that the old page is better unless the new page proves to be definitely better at a Type I error rate of 5%, what should your null and alternative hypotheses be? You can state your hypothesis in terms of words or in terms of  $p_{old}$  and  $p_{new}$ , which are the converted rates for the old and new pages.

Hypothesis:

Out[22]: 145310

$$H_0: p_{new} - p_{old} \le 0$$
  
$$H_1: p_{new} - p_{old} > 0$$

2. Assume under the null hypothesis,  $p_{new}$  and  $p_{old}$  both have "true" success rates equal to the **converted** success rate regardless of page - that is  $p_{new}$  and  $p_{old}$  are equal. Furthermore, assume they are equal to the **converted** rate in **ab\_data.csv** regardless of the page.

Use a sample size for each page equal to the ones in **ab\_data.csv**.

Perform the sampling distribution for the difference in **converted** between the two pages over 10,000 iterations of calculating an estimate from the null.

Use the cells below to provide the necessary parts of this simulation. If this doesn't make complete sense right now, don't worry - you are going to work through the problems below to complete this problem. You can use **Quiz 5** in the classroom to make sure you are on the right track.

a. What is the **convert rate** for  $p_{new}$  under the null?

```
d. What is n_{old}?
```

e. Simulate  $n_{new}$  transactions with a convert rate of  $p_{new}$  under the null. Store these  $n_{new}$  1's and 0's in **new\_page\_converted**.

```
In [24]: new_page_converted = np.random.choice([0, 1], size=n_new, p=[p_new, (1-p_new)])
```

f. Simulate  $n_{old}$  transactions with a convert rate of  $p_{old}$  under the null. Store these  $n_{old}$  1's and 0's in **old\_page\_converted**.

```
In [25]: old_page_converted = np.random.choice([0, 1], size=n_old, p=[p_old, (1-p_old)])
```

g. Find  $p_{new}$  -  $p_{old}$  for your simulated values from part (e) and (f).

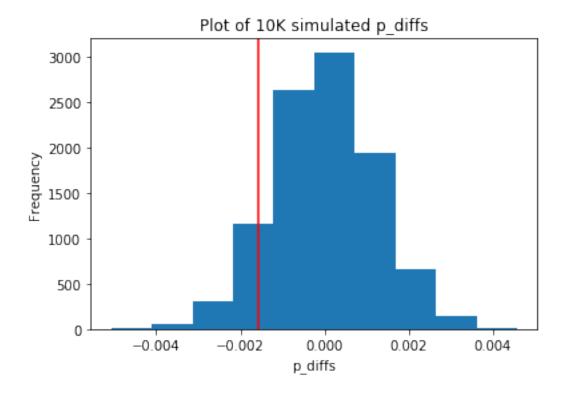
```
Out [26]: 0.00026362870528484628
```

h. Simulate 10,000  $p_{new}$  -  $p_{old}$  values using this same process similarly to the one you calculated in parts **a. through g.** above. Store all 10,000 values in **p\_diffs**.

```
In [27]: p_diffs = []

for _ in range(10000):
    new_page_converted = np.random.choice([0, 1], size=n_new, p=[p_new, (1-p_new)]).mea
    old_page_converted = np.random.choice([0, 1], size=n_old, p=[p_old, (1-p_old)]).mea
    diff = new_page_converted - old_page_converted
    p_diffs.append(diff)
```

i. Plot a histogram of the **p\_diffs**. Does this plot look like what you expected? Use the matching problem in the classroom to assure you fully understand what was computed here.



j. What proportion of the **p\_diffs** are greater than the actual difference observed in **ab\_data.csv**?

k. In words, explain what you just computed in part **j**. What is this value called in scientific studies? What does this value mean in terms of whether or not there is a difference between the new and old pages?

Results: The p-value calculated is 0.9065. This is far greater than the typical  $\alpha$  level of 0.05 in business studies. (An  $\alpha$  level of 0.05 indicates that we have a 5% chance of committing a Type I error if the null is true.) As such, we would fail to reject the null and conclude that there is not sufficient evidence to say that that there is a difference between the two values.

I. We could also use a built-in to achieve similar results. Though using the built-in might be easier to code, the above portions are a walkthrough of the ideas that are critical to correctly thinking about statistical significance. Fill in the below to calculate the number of conversions for each page, as well as the number of individuals who received each page. Let n\_old and n\_new refer the the number of rows associated with the old page and new pages, respectively.

```
In [32]: import statsmodels.api as sm

convert_old = df2.query('group == "control" & converted == 1')['converted'].count()
    convert_new = df2.query('group == "treatment" & converted == 1')['converted'].count()
    n_old = df2.query('landing_page == "new_page"').shape[0]
    n_new = df2.query('landing_page == "old_page"').shape[0]
```

m. Now use stats.proportions\_ztest to compute your test statistic and p-value. Here is a helpful link on using the built in.

```
In [33]: sm.stats.proportions_ztest([convert_new, convert_old], [n_new, n_old], alternative='lar
Out[33]: (-1.2616957421858055, 0.89647085519672265)
```

n. What do the z-score and p-value you computed in the previous question mean for the conversion rates of the old and new pages? Do they agree with the findings in parts j. and k.?

The calculated values align with those obtained during the bootstrapped hypothesis testing. ### Part III - A regression approach

- 1. In this final part, you will see that the result you acheived in the previous A/B test can also be acheived by performing regression.
  - a. Since each row is either a conversion or no conversion, what type of regression should you be performing in this case?

Logistic Regression

b. The goal is to use **statsmodels** to fit the regression model you specified in part **a.** to see if there is a significant difference in conversion based on which page a customer receives. However, you first need to create a colun for the intercept, and create a dummy variable column for which page each user received. Add an **intercept** column, as well as an **ab\_page** column, which is 1 when an individual receives the **treatment** and 0 if **control**.

```
In [34]: df2[['ab_page', 'old_page']] = pd.get_dummies(df2['landing_page'])
       df2['intercept'] = 1
       df2.head()
Out[34]: user id
                               timestamp
                                           group landing_page converted \
       0 851104 2017-01-21 22:11:48.556739
                                                    old_page
                                                                  0
                                                    old_page
                                                                  0
                                                   new_page
                                                                  0
       3 853541 2017-01-08 18:28:03.143765 treatment
                                                                   0
                                                    new_page
```

```
4 864975 2017-01-21 01:52:26.210827 control old_page 1
```

```
ab_page old_page intercept
0
         0
                   1
1
         0
                   1
                               1
2
         1
                   0
                               1
3
         1
                   0
                               1
4
                    1
```

c. Use **statsmodels** to import your regression model. Instantiate the model, and fit the model using the two columns you created in part **b**. to predict whether or not an individual converts.

d. Provide the summary of your model below, and use it as necessary to answer the following questions.

Logit Regression Results

\_\_\_\_\_\_ Dep. Variable: converted No. Observations: 290584 Model: 290582 Logit Df Residuals: Method: MLE Df Model: 1 Date: Fri, 05 Oct 2018 Pseudo R-squ.: 8.077e-06 Time: 20:21:36 Log-Likelihood: -1.0639e+05 LL-Null: -1.0639e+05 converged: True LLR p-value: 0.1899

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	coef	std err	z	P> z	[0.025	0.975]		
intercept	-1.9888	0.008	-246.669	0.000	-2.005	-1.973		
ab_page	-0.0150	0.011	-1.311	0.190	-0.037	0.007		
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e. What is the p-value associated with **ab\_page**? Why does it differ from the value you found in the **Part II**? **Hint**: What are the null and alternative hypotheses associated with your regression model, and how do they compare to the null and alternative hypotheses in the **Part II**?

The p-value 0.190 here remains above an  $\alpha$  level of 0.05 but is different because this is a two tailed test. We will still reject the null in this situation.

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f. Now, you are considering other things that might influence whether or not an individual converts. Discuss why it is a good idea to consider other factors to add into your regression model. Are there any disadvantages to adding additional terms into your regression model?

Considering other factors is a good idea as these factors may contribute to the significance of our test results and leads to more accurate decisions. One of the disadvantages of adding additional terms into the regression model is Simpson's paradox where the combined impact of different variables disappears or reverses when these variables are combined, but appears where these variables are tested individually.

g. Now along with testing if the conversion rate changes for different pages, also add an effect based on which country a user lives. You will need to read in the **countries.csv** dataset and merge together your datasets on the appropriate rows. Here are the docs for joining tables.

Does it appear that country had an impact on conversion? Don't forget to create dummy variables for these country columns - **Hint: You will need two columns for the three dummy varaibles.** Provide the statistical output as well as a written response to answer this question.

```
In [40]: countries_df = pd.read_csv('countries.csv')
         # Making an inner join by using two dataframes
         df_new = countries_df.set_index('user_id').join(df2.set_index('user_id'), how='inner')
         df_new.head()
Out [40]:
                 country
                                           timestamp
                                                          group landing_page \
        user id
        834778
                      UK 2017-01-14 23:08:43.304998
                                                                    old_page
                                                        control
        928468
                      US 2017-01-23 14:44:16.387854 treatment
                                                                    new_page
                      UK 2017-01-16 14:04:14.719771 treatment
                                                                    new_page
        822059
```

control

old\_page

UK 2017-01-22 03:14:24.763511

```
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                    UK 2017-01-16 13:14:44.000513 treatment
                                                                new_page
                converted ab_page old_page intercept
        user_id
        834778
                        0
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                                                    1
        928468
                        0
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                                                    1
        822059
                        1
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                                                    1
        711597
                                          1
        710616
                        0
                                1
                                          0
In [42]: # finding unique countries in a column
        df_new['country'].unique()
Out[42]: array(['UK', 'US', 'CA'], dtype=object)
In [44]: # creating dummies
        df_new[['CA', 'UK', 'US']] = pd.get_dummies(df_new['country'])
        df_new.head()
Out[44]:
                country
                                        timestamp
                                                      group landing_page \
        user_id
        834778
                    UK 2017-01-14 23:08:43.304998
                                                    control
                                                                old_page
        928468
                    US 2017-01-23 14:44:16.387854
                                                  treatment
                                                                new_page
        822059
                    UK 2017-01-16 14:04:14.719771
                                                  treatment
                                                                new_page
        711597
                    UK 2017-01-22 03:14:24.763511
                                                    control
                                                                old_page
                    UK 2017-01-16 13:14:44.000513 treatment
        710616
                                                                new_page
                converted ab_page old_page intercept CA UK US
        user id
        834778
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        711597
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                                                          1
        710616
                                1
                                          0
In [51]: # applying logistic regression and diplaying the result summary
        log_mod = sm.Logit(df_new['converted'], df_new[['intercept', 'CA', 'UK']])
        result = log_mod.fit()
        result.summary()
Optimization terminated successfully.
        Current function value: 0.366116
        Iterations 6
Out[51]: <class 'statsmodels.iolib.summary.Summary'>
                                 Logit Regression Results
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```

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```
Dep. Variable:
                           No. Observations:
                                                  290584
                   converted
Model:
                           Df Residuals:
                                                  290581
                      Logit
Method:
                       MLE
                           Df Model:
                                                     2
Date:
              Fri, 05 Oct 2018
                           Pseudo R-squ.:
                                               1.521e-05
                    21:51:42
                           Log-Likelihood:
Time:
                                              -1.0639e+05
                           LL-Null:
                                              -1.0639e+05
converged:
                       True
                           LLR p-value:
______
                                  P>|z|
                                                  0.975]
                             Z
                                         [0.025
           coef
                 std err
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                                  0.000
                                         -2.010
                                                  -1.983
intercept
         -1.9967
                  0.007
                        -292.314
                         -1.518
CA
         -0.0408
                  0.027
                                  0.129
                                         -0.093
                                                  0.012
UK
                          0.746
                                         -0.016
          0.0099
                  0.013
                                  0.456
                                                  0.036
______
```

Once again, the p-values are greater than  $\alpha$  And so we fail to reject the null. tthere is no significant contribution from country to differences in conversion rates for the two pages

```
In [47]: df_new['CA_page'] = df_new['CA'] * df_new['ab_page']
         df_new['UK_page'] = df_new['UK'] * df_new['ab_page']
         df new.head()
Out[47]:
                                                           group landing_page \
                 country
                                           timestamp
         user_id
                      UK 2017-01-14 23:08:43.304998
         834778
                                                                     old_page
                                                         control
         928468
                      US 2017-01-23 14:44:16.387854
                                                       treatment
                                                                     new_page
                      UK 2017-01-16 14:04:14.719771
         822059
                                                                     new_page
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                      UK 2017-01-22 03:14:24.763511
                                                         control
                                                                     old_page
         710616
                      UK 2017-01-16 13:14:44.000513 treatment
                                                                     new_page
                  converted ab_page old_page intercept
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                                                                       CA_page UK_page
         user_id
         834778
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h. Though you have now looked at the individual factors of country and page on conversion, we would now like to look at an interaction between page and country to see if there significant effects on conversion. Create the necessary additional columns, and fit the new model.

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Provide the summary results, and your conclusions based on the results.

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 ${\tt Optimization} \ {\tt terminated} \ {\tt successfully}.$ 

Current function value: 0.366109

Iterations 6

Out[56]: <class 'statsmodels.iolib.summary.Summary'>

\_\_\_\_\_\_ Dep. Variable: converted No. Observations: 290584 Model: Logit Df Residuals: 290578 MLE Df Model: Method: 5 3.482e-05 Date: Fri, 05 Oct 2018 Pseudo R-squ.: 21:56:46 Log-Likelihood: Time: -1.0639e+05 True LL-Null: -1.0639e+05 converged: LLR p-value: 0.1920

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	coef	std err	z	P> z	[0.025	0.975]
intercept	-1.9865	0.010	-206.344	0.000	-2.005	-1.968
ab_page	-0.0206	0.014	-1.505	0.132	-0.047	0.006
CA	-0.0175	0.038	-0.465	0.642	-0.091	0.056
UK	-0.0057	0.019	-0.306	0.760	-0.043	0.031
CA_page	-0.0469	0.054	-0.872	0.383	-0.152	0.059
UK_page	0.0314	0.027	1.181	0.238	-0.021	0.084

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Result: None of the considered variables have significant p-values. Therefore, we will fail to reject the null and conclude that there is not sufficient evidence to suggest that there is an interaction between country and page received that will predict whether a user converts or not.

Resources: https://classroom.udacity.com/courses/ud257 https://www.scipy-lectures.org/packages/statistics/index.html https://pandas.pydata.org/pandas-docs/stable/generated/pandas.DataFrame.drop.html http://www.win-vector.com/blog/2015/06/designing-ab-tests/