

BUAN 6356: Problem Set Sample

This is a sample problem set. I will complete this as if it were a problem set. You can find my results stored in the ps1 folder. YOU SHOULD **NOT** COMPLETE THIS ASSIGNMENT.

Deliverable: (what you turn in) an R source-code file named ps-sample.r

Question 1

Data: (A description of the data set)

The data for this question comes from the file Meap93.csv. This data is a summary of various schools in Michigan, their enrollments, information on their teachers (salaries, totals, etc), and their pass rates for the MEAP (a standardized test used in Michigan).

Analysis: (Steps for you to complete in your code)

- Read the data Meap93.csv into a new variable using either the data.table package (use a data.frame if you still can't install data.table): context1
- Use summary statistics to familiarize yourself with the data.
- Generate a new variable that is the sum of salary and benefits. Name it: totcomp
- Generate a new variable representing the natural logarithm of enrollment. Name it: lenroll
- Run the following linear model using the 'lm' function. Store the result in: model1

$$math10_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 totcomp_i + \beta_2 lenroll_i + e_i \quad (1)$$

- Run the following linear model using the 'lm' function. Store the result in: model2

$$sci11_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 totcomp_i + \beta_2 lenroll_i + e_i \quad (2)$$

Interpretations: (Add these as comments in your code)

- a. Interpret the estimated coefficient on totcomp from model1 (eq 1).
- b. Interpret the estimated coefficient on lenroll from model1 (eq 1).
- c. Interpret the estimated coefficient on totcomp from model2 (eq 2).
- d. Interpret the estimated coefficient on lenroll from model2 (eq 2).
- e. Interpret the estimated intercept from model2 (eq 2).