Analyze_ab_test_results_notebook

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0.1 Analyze A/B Test Results

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This project will assure you have mastered the subjects covered in the statistics lessons. The hope is to have this project be as comprehensive of these topics as possible. Good luck!

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Introduction

A/B tests are very commonly performed by data analysts and data scientists. It is important that you get some practice working with the difficulties of these

For this project, you will be working to understand the results of an A/B test run by an ecommerce website. Your goal is to work through this notebook to help the company understand if they should implement the new page, keep the old page, or perhaps run the experiment longer to make their decision.

As you work through this notebook, follow along in the classroom and answer the corresponding quiz questions associated with each question. The labels for each classroom concept are provided for each question. This will assure you are on the right track as you work through the project, and you can feel more confident in your final submission meeting the criteria. As a final check, assure you meet all the criteria on the RUBRIC.

Part I - Probability

To get started, let's import our libraries.

```
In [2]: 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 [3]: df = pd.read_csv('ab_data.csv')
       df.head()
Out[3]:
          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
                                                              old_page
                                                                                0
       1
                                                  control
          661590 2017-01-11 16:55:06.154213
                                               treatment
                                                             new_page
                                                                                0
       3
          853541 2017-01-08 18:28:03.143765
                                                                                0
                                               treatment
                                                             new_page
           864975 2017-01-21 01:52:26.210827
                                                 control
                                                              old_page
                                                                                1
```

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

```
In [4]: df.shape
Out[4]: (294478, 5)
```

c. The number of unique users in the dataset.

```
In [5]: df['user_id'].nunique()
Out[5]: 290584
```

d. The proportion of users converted.

```
In [6]: df['converted'].mean()
Out[6]: 0.11965919355605512
```

e. The number of times the new_page and treatment don't line up.

```
Out[7]: 3893
```

f. Do any of the rows have missing values?

- 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**.

- 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 [11]: df2['user_id'].nunique()
Out[11]: 290584

b. There is one user_id repeated in df2. What is it?
In [12]: df2[df2.duplicated(['user_id'])]['user_id'].unique()
Out[12]: array([773192])
```

c. What is the row information for the repeat **user_id**?

d. Remove **one** of the rows with a duplicate **user_id**, but keep your dataframe as **df2**.

```
In [14]: 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 [15]: df2['converted'].mean()
Out[15]: 0.11959708724499628
```

b. Given that an individual was in the control group, what is the probability they converted?

```
In [16]: df2.head()
```

```
Out[16]: user_id
                                                   group landing_page converted
                                     timestamp
          851104 2017-01-21 22:11:48.556739
                                                 control
                                                             old_page
                                                                               0
        1
            804228 2017-01-12 08:01:45.159739
                                                  control
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                                                             new_page
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        3
            853541 2017-01-08 18:28:03.143765 treatment
                                                             new_page
                                                                               0
            864975 2017-01-21 01:52:26.210827
                                                 control
                                                             old_page
                                                                               1
In [17]: control_df = df2.query('group == "control"')
        control_df['converted'].mean()
```

Out[17]: 0.1203863045004612

c. Given that an individual was in the treatment group, what is the probability they converted?

```
In [18]: treatment_df = df2.query('group == "treatment"')
         treatment_df['converted'].mean()
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"'))/df2.shape[0]
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.

Response

I do not think there is clear evidence that one page either old page or new page would lead to more conversions, since conversion results for all dataset, as well as individual results for each group are very close one from the other:

- Probability of an individual converting regardless of the page they receive: 11.96%
- Probability of an individual in the control group to convert: 12.04%
- Probability of an indiviual in the treatment group to convert: 11.88%

```
### Part II - A/B Test
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Notice that because of the time stamp associated with each event, you could technically run a hypothesis test continuously as each observation was observed.

However, then the hard question is do you stop as soon as one page is considered significantly better than another or does it need to happen consistently for a certain amount of time? How long do you run to render a decision that neither page is better than another?

These questions are the difficult parts associated with A/B tests in general.

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.

Response

Hypotheses

```
Ho: p_{new} - p_{old} \le 0

H1: 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?

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**.

```
Out [24]: 17370
```

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**.

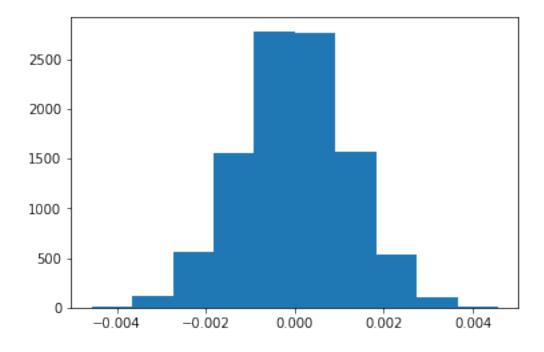
In [26]: new_page_converted/n_new - old_page_converted/n_old

Out[26]: -0.0003393817989145176

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**.

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.

```
In [28]: plt.hist(p_diffs);
```



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?

Response

This value is called: **p-value**

Since p-value is over alpha level of 0.05, this suggests that there is no statistically significant difference with a Type 1 error rate of 0.05, thus we do not have evidence that the new page is better than the old page.

l. 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 [31]: import statsmodels.api as sm

convert_old = df2.query('landing_page == "old_page" and converted == 1').shape[0]
    convert_new = df2.query('landing_page == "new_page" and converted == 1').shape[0]

    n_old = df2.query('group == "control"').shape[0]
    n_new = df2.query('group == "treatment"').shape[0]
```

```
/opt/conda/lib/python3.6/site-packages/statsmodels/compat/pandas.py:56: FutureWarning: The panda from pandas.core import datetools
```

```
In [32]: convert_old, convert_new
Out[32]: (17489, 17264)
In [33]: n_old, n_new
Out[33]: (145274, 145310)
```

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

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.**?

```
In [38]: from scipy.stats import norm
    # Tells us how significant our z-score is
    norm.cdf(z_score)

Out[38]: 0.90505831275902449

In [39]: #Tells us what our critical value at 95% confidence is
    norm.ppf(1-(0.05))
Out[39]: 1.6448536269514722
```

We fail to reject the null hypothesis which suggests that the new page conversion rate is higher than the old page, due that z-score of 1.31 is less than the critical value of 1.64... These finding agree to parts j and k

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 [36]: df2['intercept'] = 1
       df2[['control', 'treatment']] = pd.get_dummies(df2['group'])
       df2.head()
Out[36]:
                                              group landing_page converted \
          user_id
                                 timestamp
       0
           851104 2017-01-21 22:11:48.556739
                                                       old_page
                                            control
           804228 2017-01-12 08:01:45.159739 control old_page
       1
                                                                       0
                                                     new_page
       2 661590 2017-01-11 16:55:06.154213 treatment
                                                                       0
       3 853541 2017-01-08 18:28:03.143765 treatment
                                                       new_page
                                                                       0
       4 864975 2017-01-21 01:52:26.210827 control
                                                       old_page
          intercept control treatment
       0
               1 1
       1
                1
                        1
                                 0
               1 0
1 0
1 1
       2
                                  1
       3
                                   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.

Method:			MLE Df	Model:		1
Date:	Sa	t, 12 Jan	2019 Pse	udo R-squ.:		8.077e-06
Time:		13:5	50:45 Log	-Likelihood:		-1.0639e+05
converged:			True LL-	Null:		-1.0639e+05
			LLF	p-value:		0.1899
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	coef	std err	2	P> z	[0.025	0.975]
intercept	-1.9888	0.008	-246.669	0.000	 -2.005	-1.973
treatment	-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**?

Response

The new P-value associated to ab_page is 0.19, this P-value is different from the one calculated under part II (0.09), since I calculated a one-sided test under Part II and new P-value is assuming a Two-Sided test

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?

Response

The more factors we include, the more likely we would observe significant differences just by chance, we would have to implement the Bonferroni correction to ensure our results are statistically significant, adittionally we could also observe Multicollinearity, due that we could have predictor variables that are correlated with one another, and this could lead to coefficients being flipped from the direction we expect with simple linear regression

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 variables.** Provide the statistical output as well as a written response to answer this question.

```
In [39]: countries_df = pd.read_csv('countries.csv')
         countries_df.head()
Out[39]:
            user_id country
         0
             834778
                          UK
             928468
                          US
         1
         2
             822059
                          UK
         3
             711597
                          UK
             710616
                         UK
```

```
In [43]: #Check How many countries are included in dataset and its counts
         countries_df['country'].value_counts()
Out[43]: US
               203619
         UK
                72466
         CA
                14499
         Name: country, dtype: int64
In [44]: #Merging Datasets
         new_df = countries_df.set_index('user_id').join(df2.set_index('user_id'), how = 'inner'
         new_df.head()
Out[44]:
                                                           group landing_page \
                 country
                                            timestamp
         user_id
         834778
                      UK 2017-01-14 23:08:43.304998
                                                         control
                                                                     old_page
                      US 2017-01-23 14:44:16.387854
         928468
                                                       treatment
                                                                     new_page
                      UK 2017-01-16 14:04:14.719771
                                                                     new_page
         822059
                                                       treatment
                      UK 2017-01-22 03:14:24.763511
         711597
                                                                     old_page
                                                         control
         710616
                      UK 2017-01-16 13:14:44.000513 treatment
                                                                     new_page
                  converted intercept control treatment
         user id
         834778
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         928468
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         822059
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         711597
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         710616
                          0
                                     1
                                                          1
In [45]: new_df['intercept'] = 1
         #Creating Dummy variables for Country
         new_df[['US', 'UK']] = pd.get_dummies(new_df['country'])[['US', 'UK']]
```

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.

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

```
Out[46]: <class 'statsmodels.iolib.summary.Summary'>
```

Logit Regression Results

==========	======	======			========	=======	========
Dep. Variable:	converted		No. C	No. Observations:		290584	
Model:			Logit	Df Re	esiduals:		290581
Method:			MLE	Df Mo	odel:		2
Date:	Sa	at, 12	Jan 2019	Pseud	do R-squ.:		1.521e-05
Time:			14:02:26	Log-I	Likelihood:		-1.0639e+05
converged:			True	LL-Nu	111:		-1.0639e+05
				LLR p	o-value:		0.1984
==========	coef	std	====== err	z	P> z	[0.025	0.975]
intercept -	-2.0375	0.0	 026 -7	78.364	0.000	-2.088	-1.987
US	0.0408	0.0	027	1.518	0.129	-0.012	0.093
UK	0.0507	0.0	028	1.786	0.074	-0.005	0.106
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Finishing Up

Congratulations! You have reached the end of the A/B Test Results project! This is the final project in Term 1. You should be very proud of all you have accomplished!

0.3 Directions to Submit

Before you submit your project, you need to create a .html or .pdf version of this note-book in the workspace here. To do that, run the code cell below. If it worked correctly, you should get a return code of 0, and you should see the generated .html file in the workspace directory (click on the orange Jupyter icon in the upper left).

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