BUS 310, Final Exam A, Spring 2018

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Instructions: This exam is in two parts: Part I is to be completed partly at home using the materials posted on Blackboard for Part I and you will answer questions about that work in class below; Part II is to be completed entirely in class. You may not use cell phones, and you may only access internet resources you are specifically directed to use. You may access your data file for Part I of the exam in Blackboard. You may access the data files posted to Blackboard for the Exam part II. Be sure you are using the data file that matches the exam version you are given.

Part I: At Home

This part was completed at home. You can upload the Excel file for Part I to the Part I folder in Blackboard for use during the Exam period. However, this submission will not be graded in this location, it must be submitted to the "to be graded folder" to receive credit.

Part II: In Class

1. Use the work done at home to answer the Part I questions.
2. Open the file from the in-class portion of the final posted on Blackboard that corresponds to the version of the exam you have. This is Exam A.
3. Answer the questions corresponding to the data file, and any additional calculation in Excel required.
4. When you have finished answering questions on the exam, and all your answers have been recorded on the paper test for grading, upload **both** the take home Excel file **and** the in-class Excel file to the same in-class Exam folder in Blackboard for grading. Only those files submitted to the correct folder will be graded. (If in doubt, put all work in one Excel file.)
5. Turn in your paper copy of the exam to your instructor.
6. Enjoy your break!

Part I:

1. Using the NoTip Table data, write the objective function you are using to maximize profit in their production process for the original problem data. (6 points)

$$200x_1 + 350x_2 = 16,500$$

2. How many of each type of cut should be made to produce the maximum profit? (6 points)

Basic (x_1) = 30
Deluxe (x_2) = 30

3. How did the result of the model change when we adjusted the profit for each type of table to $120 and $300? (6 points)

down from 16,500 to 12,540

(had to set integer contraints)

4. For the data on employee's year-end performance, which variable had the highest P-value (at any stage of the regression analysis)? State the name of the variable and the P-value. (6 points)

Test 2, P-value .524 in full model

5. Write the final regression equation you obtained, the R^2 value, and explain your reasoning for choosing it. (9 points)

Seniority = x_1
Test1 = x_2
Test 3 = x_3

R_2 = 0.989

P-values all low
R^2 high

$.882x_1 + .380x_2 + .512x_3 = y$

6. Did any of the variables in the data set appear to be nonlinear? Why or why not? (6 points)

no, scatterplots all appear linear and residual plots random

7. State a 99% confidence interval for the coefficient for Seniority in your final model. Interpret it in context. (6 points)

(0.513, 1.252)

we are 99% confident that the true coefficient value for Seniority is between 0.513 and 1.252.

8. Interpret the meaning of the slope for Test 1 in context. (6 points)

for each one unit increase in score for Test 1, performance score goes up by 0.38 points.

9. Use your equation to predict the performance rating of an employee with 10 years of seniority, and scores of 81, 92, 73 on each of the three Tests. Construct a 95% prediction interval around that prediction. [Hint: Use you best model. If the model does not contain a particular variable, omit it as irrelevant.] (12 points)

$\hat{y} = 76.95$

(62.9, 90.99)

10. For the data on sea ice extent, describe the general trend of the data. (6 points)

general trend downward
accelerating trend — nonlinear

11. Write the best regression equation you found and state the R^2 value. (6 points)

$$y = -0.0038x^2 + 15.236x - 15,103$$
$$R^2 = 0.8217$$

12. Interpret the meaning of the R^2 value in the context of the problem. (8 points)

82% of the variability in sea ice extent is related to time

13. Are there any outliers in the data? Use the residuals and residual plots to determine which point is suspect. Redo your analysis without this point included and describe the results of this test. (10 points)

there are no obvious outliers

removing 1996 data improves R^2 slightly
removing 2012 makes it worse

14. Using data on couples purchasing cars, determine if the two measurements are dependent or independent. Explain your reasoning. (8 points)

dependent

15. Conduct an appropriate t-test to determine if men are willing to pay more than their wives for a car. State the null and alternative hypotheses, test statistic, P-value and state the results in an English sentence understandable to a non-statistician. (12 points)

$H_0: \mu_1 = \mu_2$
$H_a: \mu_2 > \mu_1$

fail to reject null
this is not strong evidence that men are willing to pay more

$P\text{-value} = .10335 > .05$ $T = +1.297...$

Calculations in Excel: (1) 30 points, (2) 35 points, (3) 20 points, (4) 20 points.

Part II:

16. A study shows that half of all Internet users in 2012 used Google for their preferred search engine. Before purchasing ads on Google, a company decides to conduct a survey to see if this is still true. They ask 1478 people and find the 791 respondents claim to use Google as their primary search engine. Conduct a hypothesis test of proportions to determine if this result has changed from previous results. State the hypotheses, test statistic, P-value and conclusion. Is this sufficient evidence to think use of Google has changed? (12 points)

$H_0: p = 50\%$

$H_a: p \neq 50\%$

$Z\text{-test} = 2.705$

$P\text{-value} = 0.0068$

reject null

the results are different than before (gone up)

17. Interpret a Type I error in the context of this problem. (6 points)

a Type I error would be if the null hypothesis is true but we reject the null: ie. 50% use Google, but we conclude they do not

18. Construct a 98% confidence interval for the true proportion of Internet users that prefer Google as their primary search engine. Interpret the interval in context. (8 points)

$(50.5\%, 56.54\%)$

we are 98% confident that the true population proportion of Google users is between 50.5% and 56.54%

19. Suppose that you wish to sample employees of a large company to determine factors that predict high inside sales commissions in order to prepare for a new training program. The company has 1500 employees in this position around the world. The company wants to select 10 of them for an initial study of best practices. Eligible employees are assigned numbers from 1 to 1500 based on their date of initial hire. Select a simple random sample and report the employee numbers you have selected below. (6 points)

answers will vary

592
1101
1480
1341
1209
1100
400
900
1319
135

Standard errors:

$$\sigma_{\bar{x}} = \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \qquad \sigma_{\hat{p}} = \sqrt{\frac{p(1-p)}{n}} \qquad s_{pooled} = \sqrt{\frac{(n_1-1)s_1^2 + (n_2-1)s_2^2}{n_1+n_2-2}}$$

$$s_{x_1-x_2} = s_{pooled}\sqrt{\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2}}$$

Sample sizes: $n > \hat{p}(1-\hat{p})\left(\frac{z_{\alpha/2}}{E}\right)^2 \qquad n > \left(\frac{z_{\alpha/2}\sigma}{E}\right)^2 \qquad m = n = \frac{4z_{\alpha/2}^2(\sigma_1^2+\sigma_2^2)}{w^2}$

Confidence intervals:

One sample: $\qquad \bar{x} \pm t_{\alpha/2,n-1}\frac{s}{\sqrt{n}} \qquad\qquad \hat{p} \pm z_{\alpha/2}\sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})}{n}}$

Two samples (independent): $(\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2) \pm t_{\alpha/2,n-1}\sqrt{\frac{s_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{s_2^2}{n_2}} \qquad (\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2) - z_{\alpha/2}\sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}_1(1-\hat{p}_1)}{n_1} + \frac{\hat{p}_2(1-\hat{p}_2)}{n_2}}$

Test statistics:

One sample: $z \text{ or } t = \frac{\bar{x}-\mu_0}{s/\sqrt{n}} \qquad\qquad z = \frac{\hat{p}-p_0}{\sqrt{p_0(1-p_0)/n}}$

Two samples: dependent: $z \text{ or } t = \frac{\bar{d}_0-\delta}{\frac{s_d}{\sqrt{n}}}$

Independent: $z \text{ or } t = \frac{(\bar{x}_1-\bar{x}_2)-(\mu_1-\mu_2)}{\sqrt{\frac{s_1^2}{n_1}+\frac{s_2^2}{n_2}}} \qquad\qquad z = \frac{(\hat{p}_1-\hat{p}_2)-(p_1-p_2)}{\sqrt{\frac{p_1(1-p_1)}{n_1}+\frac{p_2(1-p_2)}{n_2}}}$

Degrees of freedom (two samples, unpooled) $\quad \nu = \dfrac{\left(\frac{s_1^2}{m}+\frac{s_2^2}{n}\right)^2}{\frac{\left(\frac{s_1^2}{m}\right)^2}{m-1}+\frac{\left(\frac{s_2^2}{n}\right)^2}{n-1}}$

χ^2 Tests: $\qquad \chi^2 = \sum_{all\ cells}\frac{(obs-exp)^2}{exp}$

ANOVA: $\qquad MSE = \frac{\left(\sum_{j=1}^{J} n_j(\bar{Y}_j-\bar{\bar{Y}})^2\right)}{J-1} \qquad MSS = \sum_{j=1}^{J}\frac{(n_j-1)s_j^2}{n-J} \qquad F = \frac{MSE}{MSS}$

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