

Suggestions for in-class homework quiz on Wednesday (30 October).

There are 3 articles that were taken from actual homework assignments, all articles are linked from our homepage. When you show up in class on Wed, you will get an exam form (1 page, 2 sides) that will tell you which article you are responsible for; it will depend on your EID. You will then answer approximately 7 multiple choice questions, choosing the answers that pertain to the article assigned to you. Your answers will go on a green scantron form.

One question will ask you to identify the Model being tested. The others will address features of ideal data. The options given may be direct quotes or descriptions; anything in quotes will be lifted from an article verbatim. You will need to figure out which options pertain to your article (usually just 2 per question), and then of those, which one is correct. In some cases, once you identify which options apply to your article, you will merely need to know what constitutes an explicit protocol, or randomization, etc. to choose the right one. In other cases, you will need to know, whether the study was based on 513 subjects or 93 subjects (for example).

To study for this quiz, go over each article and (i) decide what model is being tested, and (ii) identify the parts of the article that pertain to blind, replication, standards, and randomization, including numbers of subjects. Also note whether the study was double-blind or just blind at one level. You might fill out a table that includes these categories for all 3 tables. Then just study that table.

These instructions are similar to the suggestions given in class on Friday, just a bit more elaborate.