Energy Informatics

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Exercise Sheet 2 - Data Analysis: Bundestag voting

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We will perform some simple data-analysis on the Bundestag's voting data. The data is available a the address:

http://www.bundestag.de/parlament/plenum/abstimmung/liste

Analysis on single session

For now, we will analyze a single voting session. Pick the spreadsheet of your choice and load it into a spreadsheet program.

Exercise 1

Verify that the data is valid:

- 1. For each row, there is exactly one 1 in the voting columns
- 2. The total sum of the votes is equal to the number of voters

Exercise 2

Compute some simple metrics:

- 1. Percentages of yes/no.
- 2. Participation

Exercise 3

How would you measurement agreement to the whip among fractions? Compose a formula and test it on your data. Which is the most cohesive fraction? Compute these metrics with and without absentees.

What is the percent of absentees in each fraction?

Analysis on multiple sessions

We will now try to analyze voting trends on multiple sessions. Pick the data for a few (3 or more) sessions.

Exercise 4

For a given faction, plot the cohesiveness of each faction in function of the session.

Exercise 5

How would you compute the most absent and the most present members of parliaments? Can you compute it easily with the data provided by the Bundestag using a spreadsheet program?

Exercise 6

How would you compute the voters who votes along party-lines the least often?