R Code for Mastering 'Metrics

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$\mathbf{Welcome}$

This work contains R code to reproduce many of the analyses in *Mastering 'Metrics* by Joshua D. Angrist and Jörn-Steffen Pischke (J. D. Angrist and Pischke 2014). This work provides R translations of the replication code available at masteringmetrics.com.

Install

To install all packages used in the examples in this work and the datasets from *Mastering 'Metrics* run

```
devtools::install_github("jrnold/masteringmetrics", subdir = "masteringmetrics")
```

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Part I

Chapter 1

Chapter 1

National Health Interview Survey

This reproduces the analyses in Table 1.1 of J. D. Angrist and Pischke (2014). which compares people with and without health insurance in the 2009 National Health Interview Survey (NHIS).

The code is derived from NHIS2009_hicompare.do.

Load the prerequisite packages.

```
library("tidyverse")
library("magrittr")
library("haven")
```

Load the data (originally from http://masteringmetrics.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/01/Data.zip), and adjust a few of the columns to account for differences in how Stata and R store data.

```
data("NHIS2009", package = "masteringmetrics")
```

Remove missing values.

```
NHIS2009 <- NHIS2009 %>%
filter(marradult, perweight != 0) %>%
group_by(serial) %>%
mutate(hi_hsb = mean(hi_hsb1, na.rm = TRUE)) %>%
filter(!is.na(hi_hsb), !is.na(hi)) %>%
mutate(female = sum(fml)) %>%
filter(female == 1) %>%
select(-female)
```

For the sample only include married adults between 26 and 59 in age, and remove single person households.

Keep only single family households.

```
NHIS2009 <- NHIS2009 %>%
group_by(serial) %>%
filter(length(serial) > 1L) %>%
ungroup()
```

Tables of wives and husbands by health insurance. status. The weighting following the "analytic" weights in the original .do file which weights observations by perweight and normalizes the weights so that the

sub-samples of males and females have the same number as the original sample.

```
NHIS2009 %>%
  group_by(fml) %>%
  # normalize person weights to match number of observations in each
  # group
  mutate(perweight = perweight / sum(perweight) * n()) %>%
  group_by(fml, hi) %>%
  summarise(n wt = sum(perweight)) %>%
  group_by(fml) %>%
  mutate(prop = n_wt / sum(n_wt))
#> # A tibble: 4 x 4
#> # Groups: fml [2]
            hi n_wt prop
#> fml
#> <lgl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
#> 1 FALSE 0. 1281. 0.136
#> 2 FALSE 1. 8114. 0.864
#> 3 TRUE 0. 1131. 0.120
#> 4 TRUE 1. 8264. 0.880
```

Compare sample statistics of mean and women, with and without health insurance.

```
varlist <- c("hlth", "nwhite", "age", "yedu", "famsize", "empl", "inc")
NHIS2009_diff <- NHIS2009 %>%
  # rlang::set_attrs with NULL removes attributes from columns.
  # this avoids a warning from gather about differing attributes
  map_dfc(~ rlang::set_attrs(.x, NULL)) %>%
  select(fml, hi, one_of(varlist)) %>%
  gather(variable, value, -fml, -hi) %>%
  group_by(fml, hi, variable) %>%
  summarise(mean = mean(value, na.rm = TRUE), sd = sd(value, na.rm = TRUE)) %>%
  gather(stat, value, -fml, -hi, -variable) %>%
  unite(stat_hi, stat, hi) %>%
  spread(stat_hi, value) %>%
  mutate(diff = mean_1 - mean_0)

knitr::kable(NHIS2009_diff, digits = 3)
```

fml	variable	ma a a m	ma a a m 1	ad 0	ad 1	diff
	variable	mean_0	mean_1	sd_0	sd_1	dill
FALSE	age	4.13e+01	4.42e+01	8.40e+00	8.61e+00	2.893
FALSE	empl	8.52e-01	9.22e-01	3.55e-01	2.68e-01	0.070
FALSE	famsize	4.06e+00	3.55e+00	1.54e + 00	1.32e+00	-0.506
FALSE	hlth	3.70e+00	3.98e+00	1.01e+00	9.34e-01	0.278
FALSE	inc	4.36e + 04	1.04e+05	3.57e + 04	5.48e + 04	60366.415
FALSE	nwhite	1.88e-01	2.00e-01	3.91e-01	4.00e-01	0.011
FALSE	yedu	1.12e+01	1.41e+01	3.47e + 00	2.68e+00	2.919
TRUE	age	3.95e+01	4.22e+01	8.26e+00	8.65e+00	2.631
TRUE	empl	5.41e-01	7.58e-01	4.98e-01	4.29e-01	0.216
TRUE	famsize	4.07e+00	3.55e+00	1.54e + 00	1.32e+00	-0.520
TRUE	hlth	3.61e+00	3.99e+00	1.02e+00	9.28e-01	0.382
TRUE	inc	4.36e + 04	1.03e+05	3.52e + 04	5.51e + 04	59722.242
TRUE	nwhite	1.83e-01	2.02e-01	3.87e-01	4.01e-01	0.018
TRUE	yedu	1.14e+01	1.43e+01	3.50e+00	2.60e+00	2.913

1.1. REFERENCES

1.1 References

- $\bullet \ \, \text{http://masteringmetrics.com/wp-content/uploads/2014/12/ReadMe_NHIS.txt}$
- http://masteringmetrics.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/01/NHIS2009_hicompare.do

Chapter 2

RAND Health Insurance Experiment (HIE)

This provides code replicates the Tables 1.3 and 1.4 of J. D. Angrist and Pischke (2014) which replicate the analyses from the RAND Health Insurance Experiment (Brook et al. 1983, Aron-Dine, Einav, and Finkelstein (2013)).

Load necessary libraries.

```
library("tidyverse")
library("broom")
library("haven")
library("rlang")
library("clubSandwich")
```

Function to calculate clustered standard errors and return a tidy data frame of the coefficients and standard errors.

```
cluster_se <- function(mod, cluster, type = "CR2") {
  vcov <- vcovCR(mod, cluster = cluster, type = type)
  coef_test(mod, vcov = vcov) %>%
    rownames_to_column(var = "term") %>%
    as_tibble() %>%
    select(term, estimate = beta, std.error = SE)
}
```

2.1 Table 1.3

J. D. Angrist and Pischke (2014) Table 1.3 presents demographic and baseline health characteristics for subjects of the RAND Health Insurance Experiment (HIE).

Load the rand data.

```
data("rand_sample", package = "masteringmetrics")
```

Calculate the number in each plan:

```
plantypes <- count(rand_sample, plantype)
knitr::kable(plantypes)</pre>
```

plantype	n
Catastrophic	759
Deductible	881
Coinsurance	1022
Free	1295

For each variable variables, estimate the the difference in means between heath insurance plan types.

Create column (1) with the mean and standard deviation of the "Catastrophic" plan,

knitr::kable(catastrophic_stats, digits = 3)

variable	Mean	Std. Dev.
age	3.24e+01	1.29e+01
blackhisp	1.72e-01	3.77e-01
cholest	2.07e+02	3.99e+01
cholestx	2.03e+02	4.21e+01
diastol	7.48e + 01	1.10e+01
diastolx	7.88e + 01	1.20e+01
educper	1.21e+01	2.88e+00
female	5.60e-01	4.97e-01
ghindx	7.09e+01	1.49e+01
ghindxx	6.85e + 01	1.59e + 01
hosp	1.15e-01	3.20e-01
income1cpi	3.16e+04	1.81e + 04
mhi	7.38e + 01	1.43e+01
mhix	7.55e + 01	1.48e + 01
systol	1.22e+02	1.65e+01
systolx	1.22e+02	1.87e + 01

The difference in means between plans and the catastophic plan.

```
calc_diffs <- function(x) {
    # programmatically create the formula for lm
    f <- quo(!!sym(x) ~ plantype)
    mod <- lm(f, data = rand_sample) # nolint
    out <- cluster_se(mod, cluster = rand_sample[["fam_identifier"]])
    out[["response"]] <- x
    out
}

plantype_diffs <- map_dfr(varlist, calc_diffs) %>%
    select(response, term, estimate, std.error) %>%
    mutate(term = str_replace(term, "^plantype", ""))
```

2.1. TABLE 1.3

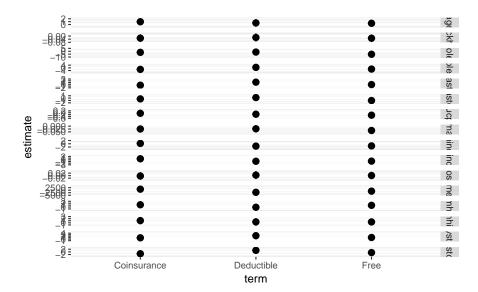
Create a table similar to J. D. Angrist and Pischke (2014) Table 1.3.

```
fmt_num <- function(x) {
  prettyNum(x, digits = 3, format = "f", big.mark = ",", dropOtrailing = FALSE)
}

plantype_diffs %>%
  mutate(estimate = str_c(fmt_num(estimate), " (", fmt_num(std.error), ")")) %>%
  select(-std.error) %>%
  spread(term, estimate) %>%
  knitr::kable(digits = 3)
```

response	(Intercept)	Coinsurance	Deductible	Free
age	32.4 (0.485)	$0.966 \ (0.655)$	$0.561 \ (0.676)$	0.435 (0.614)
blackhisp	0.172 (0.0199)	-0.0269 (0.025)	-0.0188 (0.0266)	-0.0281 (0.0245)
cholest	207 (1.99)	-1.93 (2.76)	-1.42 (2.99)	-5.25 (2.7)
cholestx	203 (1.87)	-2.31 (2.47)	0.691 (2.58)	-1.83 (2.39)
diastol	74.8 (0.569)	-0.514 (0.786)	1.22 (0.831)	-0.143 (0.721)
diastolx	78.8 (0.466)	-0.335 (0.617)	0.219 (0.648)	-1.03 (0.588)
educper	12.1 (0.14)	-0.0613 (0.186)	-0.157 (0.191)	-0.263 (0.183)
female	0.56 (0.0118)	-0.0247 (0.0153)	-0.0231 (0.016)	-0.0379 (0.015)
ghindx	70.9 (0.694)	0.211 (0.922)	-1.44 (0.952)	-1.31 (0.872)
ghindxx	68.5 (0.702)	0.612 (0.903)	-0.869 (0.964)	-0.776 (0.867)
hosp	0.115 (0.0117)	-0.00249 (0.0152)	0.00449 (0.016)	0.00117 (0.0146)
income1cpi	31,603 (1,073)	970 (1,391)	-2,104 (1,386)	-976 (1,346)
mhi	73.8 (0.619)	1.19 (0.81)	-0.12 (0.822)	0.89 (0.766)
mhix	75.5 (0.696)	1.07 (0.872)	0.454 (0.911)	0.433 (0.826)
systol	122 (0.805)	0.907 (1.08)	2.32 (1.16)	1.12 (1.01)
systolx	122 (0.782)	-1.39 (0.986)	1.17 (1.06)	-0.522 (0.934)

Plot the difference-in-means of each plantype vs. catastrophic insurance.



2.2 Table 1.4

Replicate J. D. Angrist and Pischke (2014) Table 1.4 which presents health outcome and health expenditure results from the RAND HIE.

```
data("rand_person_spend", package = "masteringmetrics")
```

Correlate year variable from annual expenditures data to correct calendar year in order to adjust for inflation.

Adjust spending for inflation. The CPI adjustment values below are based on the June CPI from 1991 (see table found at http://www.seattle.gov/financedepartment/cpi/historical.htm).

```
cpi <- tribble(</pre>
  ~ year, ~ cpi,
  1973, 3.07,
  1974, 2.76,
  1975, 2.53,
  1976, 2.39,
  1977, 2.24,
  1978, 2.09,
  1979, 1.88,
  1980, 1.65,
  1981, 1.5,
  1982, 1.41,
  1983, 1.37,
  1984, 1.31,
  1985, 1.27
)
```

2.2. TABLE 1.4

Add a total spending variable.

Add a variable for any health insurance (free, Individual deductible, or cost-sharing):

Count the number of observations in each plan-type,

and any-insurance,

```
count(rand_person_spend, any_ins)
#> # A tibble: 2 x 2
#> any_ins n
#> <lgl> <int>
#> 1 FALSE 3724
#> 2 TRUE 16479
```

Create a list of response variables.

```
varlist <- c("ftf", "out_inf", "totadm", "inpdol_inf", "tot_inf")</pre>
```

Calculate the mean and standard deviation for those receiving catastrophic insurance.

```
rand_person_spend %>%
 filter(plantype == "Catastrophic") %>%
 select(one_of(varlist)) %>%
 gather(response, value) %>%
 group_by(response) %>%
 summarise(Mean = mean(value, na.rm = TRUE),
          `Std. Dev.` = sd(value, na.rm = TRUE))
#> # A tibble: 5 x 3
#> response Mean `Std. Dev.`
#> <chr> <dbl> #> 1 ftf 2.78
                <dbl> <dbl>
                          5.50
#> 2 inpdol_inf 388.
                       2308.
#> 3 out_inf 248.
                         488.
              636.
#> 4 tot_inf
                         2535.
#> 5 totadm 0.0991 0.379
```

Calculate the difference in means between plans and the catastophic plan.

```
calc_diffs <- function(x) {
    # programmatically create the formula
    f <- quo(!!sym(x) ~ plantype)

mod <- lm(f, data = rand_person_spend) # nolint</pre>
```

```
out <- cluster_se(mod, cluster = rand_person_spend[["fam_identifier"]])
out[["response"]] <- x
out
}

person_diffs <- map_dfr(varlist, calc_diffs) %>%
    select(response, term, estimate, std.error) %>%
    mutate(term = str_replace(term, "~plantype", ""))
```

Standard errors are clustered by family identifier using the clubSandwich package.

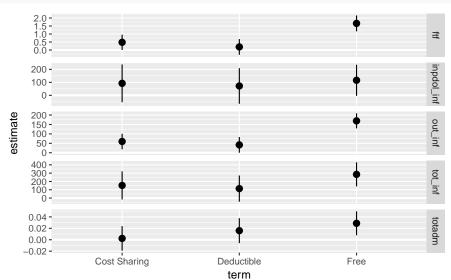
Print the table. If this were an actual publication, I'd make it nicer.

```
fmt_num <- function(x) {
   prettyNum(x, digits = 3, format = "f", big.mark = ",", dropOtrailing = FALSE)
}

person_diffs %>%
   mutate(estimate = str_c(fmt_num(estimate), " (", fmt_num(std.error), ")")) %>%
   select(-std.error) %>%
   spread(term, estimate) %>%
   knitr::kable(digits = 3)
```

response	(Intercept)	Cost Sharing	Deductible	Free
ftf	2.78 (0.178)	0.481 (0.24)	$0.193 \ (0.247)$	1.66 (0.248)
inpdol_inf	388 (44.9)	92.5 (72.8)	72.2 (68.6)	116 (59.8)
out_inf	248 (14.8)	59.8 (20.7)	41.8 (20.8)	169 (19.9)
tot_inf	636 (54.5)	152 (84.6)	114 (79.1)	285 (72.4)
totadm	0.0991 (0.00785)	0.0023 (0.0108)	0.0159 (0.0109)	0.0288 (0.0105)

Additionally we could plot the difference-in-means of each plan type vs. catastrophic insurance.



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References

- $\bullet \ \, \rm https://www.icpsr.umich.edu/icpsrweb/NACDA/studies/6439/version/1$
- $\bullet \ \, http://masteringmetrics.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/01/ReadMe_RAND.txt$
- http://masteringmetrics.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/01/Code.zip

Part II

Chapter 3

Chapter 3

Minneapolis Domestic Violence Experiment

This replicates Table 3.3 of *Mastering 'Metrics*, which replicates the Minneapolis Domestic Violence Experiment (Sherman and Berk 1984, J. D. Angrist (2006)).

Load necessary packages.

```
library("tidyverse")
```

Load the MDVE data.

```
data("mdve", package = "masteringmetrics")
```

Randomized assignments (i.e. what are police assigned to do) are in the assigned column. Actual outcomes (i.e. what action do the police actually take) is in the outcome column. gen outcome = "Arrest" if T_FINAL == 1 replace outcome = "Advise" if T_FINAL == 2 replace outcome = "Separate" if T_FINAL == 3 replace outcome = "Other" if T_FINAL == 4 gen total = 1

Assigned and delivered treatments in the MDVE:

```
mdve_summary <-
mdve %>%
count(assigned, outcome) %>%
group_by(assigned) %>%
```

Assigned proportions in the MDVE:

Delivered treatments in the MDVE:

Probability of being coddled, given being assigned the coddled treatment:

```
mdve_coddled <- mdve %>%
    count(coddled_a, coddled_o) %>%
    group_by(coddled_a) %>%
    mutate(p = n / sum(n))
mdve_coddled
#> # A tibble: 4 x 4
#> # Groups: coddled_a [2]
#> coddled_a coddled_o n p
#> <lgl> <lgl> <int> <dbl>
#> #> 4BSE FALSE 91 0.989
#> 2 FALSE TRUE 1 0.0109
#> 3 TRUE FALSE 45 0.203
#> 4 TRUE TRUE 177 0.797
```

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IV first stage,

$$E[D_i|Z_i = 1] - E[D_i|Z_i = 0].$$

```
filter(mdve_coddled, coddled_o, coddled_a)$p -
  filter(mdve_coddled, coddled_o, !coddled_a)$p
#> [1] 0.786
```

The response variable is not provided, so the full 2SLS is not estimated here.

3.1 References

- $\bullet \ \, http://masteringmetrics.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/02/MDVE_Table 33.do$
- http://masteringmetrics.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/02/ReadMe_MDVE.txt

Part III

Chapter 4

Chapter 4

MLDA Regression Discontinuity

MLDA Regression Discontinuity (based on data from Carpenter and Dobkin (2011)) from Chapter 4 of *Mastering 'Metrics*, Table 4.1 and Figures 4.2, 4.4, and 4.5 in Mastering Metrics. These present sharp RD estimates of the effect of the minimum legal drinking age (MLDA) on mortality.

Load libraries.

```
library("tidyverse")
library("haven")
library("rlang")
library("broom")
library("lmtest")
library("sandwich")
```

Load MLDA data

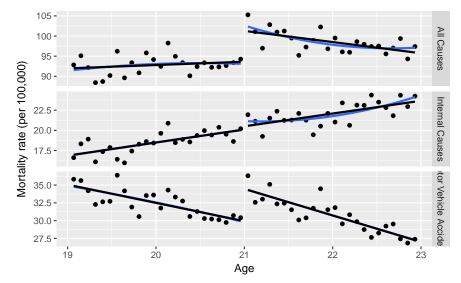
```
data("mlda", package = "masteringmetrics")
```

Add an indicator variable for individuals over 21 years of age.

Add a variable for other causes of death.

```
mlda <- mutate(mlda, ext_oth = external - homicide - suicide - mva)</pre>
```

For "all causes", "motor vehicle accidents", and "internal causes" deaths plot the linear and quadratic trends on each side of age 21.



Define a function to run four regressions for a given response variable, y.

```
run_reg <- function(y) {</pre>
  mods <- list(</pre>
    "Ages 19-22, Linear" =
      lm(quo(!!sym(y) ~ age * over21), data = mlda),
    "Ages 19-22, Quadratic" =
      lm(quo(!!sym(y) ~ poly(age, 2, raw = TRUE) * over21), data = mlda),
    "Ages 20-21, Linear" =
      lm(quo(!!sym(y) ~ age * over21),
             data = filter(mlda, agecell >= 20, agecell <= 22)),
    "Ages 20-21, Quadratic" =
      lm(quo(!!sym(y) ~ poly(age, 2, raw = TRUE) * over21),
             data = filter(mlda, agecell >= 20, agecell <= 22))</pre>
  out <- tibble(</pre>
    model_name = names(mods),
    model = mods,
    ages = rep(c("19-22", "20-21"), each = 2),
    trend = rep(c("Linear", "Quadratic"), 2),
    model_num = seq_along(mods)
    mutate(coefs = map(model, ~ tidy(coeftest(.x, vcovHC(.x))))) %>% # nolint
    unnest(coefs, .drop = FALSE) %>%
```

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```
filter(term == "over21") %>%
    select(model_name, model, term, estimate, std.error) %>%
    mutate(response = y)
  \# sample size = df.residuals + residuals
  out[["obs"]] <- map_dfr(mods, glance) %>%
    mutate(obs = df.residual + df) %>%
    pluck("obs")
  out
}
mlda_regs <- map_dfr(names(responses), run_reg) %>%
  mutate(response = recode(response, !!!as.list(responses)))
mlda_regs %>%
  select(model_name, response, estimate, std.error) %>%
  gather(stat, value, estimate, std.error) %>%
  spread(model_name, value) %>%
  knitr::kable()
```

response	stat	Ages 19-22, Linear	Ages 19-22, Quadratic	Ages 20-21, Linear	Ages 20-21, Quad
Alcohol	estimate	0.442	0.799	0.740	
Alcohol	std.error	0.213	0.431	0.360	
All deaths	estimate	7.663	9.548	9.753	
All deaths	std.error	1.374	2.231	2.279	
All internal causes	estimate	0.392	1.073	1.692	
All internal causes	std.error	0.592	0.931	0.877	
Homocide	estimate	0.104	0.200	0.164	-
Homocide	std.error	0.394	0.604	0.590	
Motor vehicle accidents	estimate	4.534	4.663	4.759	
Motor vehicle accidents	std.error	0.731	1.366	1.385	
Other external causes	estimate	0.838	1.797	1.414	
Other external causes	std.error	0.413	0.673	0.606	
Suicide	estimate	1.794	1.814	1.724	
Suicide	std.error	0.530	0.950	0.881	

The robust standard errors using the HC3 standard errors from sandwich::vcovHC and differ from those reported in *Mastering 'Metrics*.

4.1 References

- http://masteringmetrics.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/01/master_cd_rd.do
- http://masteringmetrics.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/01/ReadMe_MLDA.txt

Part IV

Chapter 5

Mississippi Bank Failures in the Great Depression

A difference-in-difference analysis of Mississippi bank failures during the Great Depression (Richardson and Troost 2009). This replicates Figures 5.1–5.3 in *Mastering 'Metrics*.

```
library("tidyverse")
library("lubridate")
```

Load the banks data.

```
data("banks", package = "masteringmetrics")
```

Only use yearly data in the difference-in-difference estimates. Use the number of banks on July 1st of each year.

```
banks <- banks %>%
  filter(month(date) == 7L, mday(date) == 1L) %>%
  mutate(year = year(date)) %>%
  select(year, matches("bi[ob][68]"))
```

Generate the counterfactual using the difference between the number of banks in district 8 and district 6.

```
banks <- banks %>%
  arrange(year) %>%
  mutate(diff86 = bib8[year == 1930] - bib6[year == 1930],
        counterfactual = if_else(year >= 1930, bib8 - diff86, NA_integer_)) %>%
  select(-diff86)
```

Plot the lines of the Distinct 8 banks in business, District 6 banks in business, and the District 6 counterfactual. This is equivalent to Figure 5.3 of J. D. Angrist and Pischke (2014).

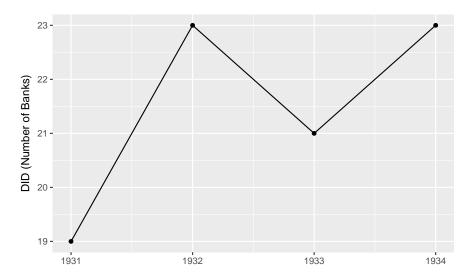
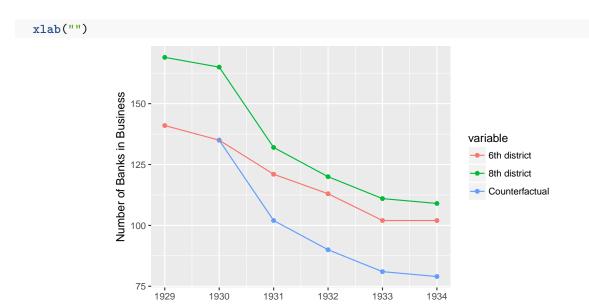


Figure 5.1: Difference between Eighth District and Sixth District Counterfactuals



Plot the difference-in-difference estimate for all years after 1930.

```
ggplot(filter(banks, year > 1930), aes(x = year, y = bib6 - counterfactual)) +
geom_point() +
geom_line() +
ylab("DID (Number of Banks)") +
xlab("")
```

5.1 References

- http://masteringmetrics.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/02/master_banks.do
- $\bullet \ \ http://masteringmetrics.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/02/ReadMe_BankFailures.txt$

MLDA Difference-in-Difference

Difference-in-difference estimates of the effect of the minimum legal drinking age (MLDA) on mortality (Mouchel, Williams, and Zador 1987; Norberg, Bierut, and Grucza 2009). This replicates the analyses in Tables 5.2 and 5.3 in *Mastering 'Metrics*.

Load necessary libraries.

```
library("tidyverse")
library("haven")
library("rlang")
library("broom")
library("clubSandwich")

data("deaths", package = "masteringmetrics")
```

In these regressions, we will use both indicator variables for year as well as a trend, so make a factor version of the year variable.

```
deaths <- mutate(deaths, year_fct = factor(year))</pre>
```

6.1 Table 5.2

Regression DD Estimates of MLDA-Induced Deaths among 18-20 year-olds, from 1970-1983

Estimate the DD for MLDA for all causes of death in 18-20 year olds. Run the regression with 1m and calculate the cluster robust standard errors using sandwich::vcovCL. Subset the data.

```
data <- filter(deaths, year <= 1983, agegr == "18-20 yrs", dtype == "all")
```

Run the OLS model.

```
mod <- lm(mrate ~ 0 + legal + state + year_fct, data = data)</pre>
```

Calculate cluster robust coefficients. These are calculated using a different method than Stata uses, and thus will be slightly different than those reported in the book.

term	estimate	std.error
legal	10.8	4.48

Function to calculate clustered standard errors and return a tidy data frame of the coefficients and standard errors.

```
cluster_se <- function(mod, cluster, type = "CR2") {</pre>
  vcov <- vcovCR(mod, cluster = cluster, type = "CR2")</pre>
  coef_test(mod, vcov = vcov) %>%
   rownames_to_column(var = "term") %>%
    as_tibble() %>%
    select(term, estimate = beta, std.error = SE)
}
run_mlda_dd <- function(i) {</pre>
  data <- filter(deaths, year <= 1983, agegr == "18-20 yrs", dtype == i) # nolint
  mods <- tribble(</pre>
    ~ name, ~ model,
    "No trends, no weights",
    lm(mrate ~ 0 + legal + state + year_fct, data = data),
    "Time trends, no weights",
    lm(mrate ~ 0 + legal + year_fct + state + state:year, data = data),
    "No trends, weights",
    lm(mrate ~ 0 + legal + year_fct + state, data = data, weights = pop),
    # nolint start
    # "Time trends, weights",
    # lm(mrate ~ 0 + legal + year_fct + state + state:year,
          data = data, weights = pop)
    # nolint end
  ) %>%
    mutate(coefs = map(model, ~ cluster_se(.x, cluster = data[["state"]],
                                            type = "CR2"))) %>%
    unnest(coefs) %>%
    filter(term == "legal") %>%
    mutate(response = i) %>%
    select(name, response, estimate, std.error)
}
mlda_dd <- map_df(names(dtypes), run_mlda_dd)</pre>
mlda dd %>%
 knitr::kable(digits = 2)
```

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name	response	estimate	std.error
No trends, no weights	all	10.80	4.48
Time trends, no weights	all	8.47	4.74
No trends, weights	all	12.41	4.78
No trends, no weights	MVA	7.59	2.43
Time trends, no weights	MVA	6.64	2.47
No trends, weights	MVA	7.50	2.30
No trends, no weights	suicide	0.59	0.57
Time trends, no weights	suicide	0.47	0.74
No trends, weights	suicide	1.49	0.92
No trends, no weights	internal	1.33	1.53
Time trends, no weights	internal	0.08	1.80
No trends, weights	internal	1.89	1.83

6.2 Table 5.3

Regression DD Estimates of MLDA-Induced Deaths among 18-20 year-olds, from 1970-1983, controlling for Beer Taxes. This is the analysis presented in J. D. Angrist and Pischke (2014) Table 5.3.

```
run_beertax <- function(i) {</pre>
  data <- filter(deaths, year <= 1983, agegr == "18-20 yrs",
                 dtype == i, !is.na(beertaxa))
  out <- tribble(</pre>
    ~ name, ~ model,
    "No time trends",
    lm(mrate ~ 0 + legal + beertaxa + year_fct + state, data = data),
    "Time trends",
    lm(mrate ~ 0 + legal + beertaxa + year_fct + state + state:year,
       data = data)
  ) %>%
    # calc culstered standard errors
    mutate(coefs = map(model, ~ cluster_se(.x, data[["state"]]))) %>%
    unnest(coefs) %>%
    filter(term %in% c("legal", "beertaxa")) %>%
    mutate(response = i) %>%
    select(response, name, term, estimate, std.error)
}
beertax <- map_df(names(dtypes), run_beertax)</pre>
beertax %>%
  knitr::kable(digits = 2)
```

response	name	term	estimate	std.error
all	No time trends	legal	10.98	4.60
all	No time trends	beertaxa	1.51	9.02
all	Time trends	legal	10.03	4.57
all	Time trends	beertaxa	-5.52	30.40
MVA	No time trends	legal	7.59	2.51
MVA	No time trends	beertaxa	3.82	5.27
MVA	Time trends	legal	6.89	2.47
MVA	Time trends	beertaxa	26.88	18.76
suicide	No time trends	legal	0.45	0.58
suicide	No time trends	beertaxa	-3.05	1.61
suicide	Time trends	legal	0.38	0.72
suicide	Time trends	beertaxa	-12.13	8.28
internal	No time trends	legal	1.46	1.56
internal	No time trends	beertaxa	-1.36	3.02
internal	Time trends	legal	0.88	1.68
internal	Time trends	beertaxa	-10.31	10.90

Note: I had trouble getting sandwich::vcovCL to estimate clustered standard errors for this regression.

6.3 References

- $\bullet \ \ http://masteringmetrics.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/01/analysis.do$
- $\bullet \ \, http://masteringmetrics.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/01/ReadMe_MLDA_DD.txt$

Part V

Chapter 6

Twins and Returns to Schooling

Estimates of the returns to schooling for Twinsburg twins (Ashenfelter and Krueger 1994; Ashenfelter and Rouse 1998). This replicates the analysis in Table 6.2 of *Mastering 'Metrics*.

```
library("tidyverse")
library("sandwich")
library("lmtest")
library("AER")
```

Load twins data.

```
data("pubtwins", package = "masteringmetrics")
```

Run a regression of log wage on controls (Column 1 of Table 6.2).

```
mod1 <- lm(lwage ~ educ + poly(age, 2) + female + white, data = pubtwins)</pre>
coeftest(mod1, vcov = sandwich)
#> t test of coefficients:
#>
                Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
                1.1791 0.1631 7.23 1.3e-12 ***
#> (Intercept)
                                   10.54 < 2e-16 ***
                  0.1100
                           0.0104
#> educ
                         0.5697
                                     8.71 < 2e-16 ***
#> poly(age, 2)1 4.9643
#> poly(age, 2)2 -4.2957
                         0.5919
                                     -7.26 1.1e-12 ***
#> female
                 -0.3180
                            0.0397
                                     -8.00 5.4e-15 ***
                                     -1.47
#> white
                 -0.1001
                            0.0679
#> ---
#> Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

Note: The age coefficients are different (but equivalent) to those reported in the Table due to the use of poly(age, .), which calculates orthogonal polynomials.

Run regression of the difference in log wage between twins on the difference in education (Column 2 of Table 6.2).

```
mod2 <- lm(dlwage ~ deduc, data = filter(pubtwins, first == 1))
coeftest(mod2, vcov = sandwich)
#>
#> t test of coefficients:
#>
#> Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>/t/)
```

```
#> (Intercept) 0.0296  0.0275  1.07  0.2835
#> deduc     0.0610  0.0198  3.09  0.0022 **
#> ---
#> Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

Run a regression of log wage on controls, instrumenting education with twin's education (Column 3 of Table 6.2).

```
mod3 <- ivreg(lwage ~ educ + poly(age, 2) + female + white |</pre>
           . - educ + educt, data = pubtwins)
summary(mod3, vcov = sandwich, diagnostics = TRUE)
#>
#> Call:
#> ivreq(formula = lwage ~ educ + poly(age, 2) + female + white |
    . - educ + educt, data = pubtwins)
#>
#> Residuals:
#> Min
             1Q Median
                             3Q
                                    Max
#>
#> Coefficients:
#>
             Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
              #> (Intercept)
#> educ
              0.1179
                        0.0137
                               8.62 < 2e-16 ***
#> poly(age, 2)1 5.0367 0.5805 8.68 < 2e-16 ***
#> poly(age, 2)2 -4.2897  0.5928 -7.24 1.3e-12 ***
             #> female
#> white
#>
#> Diagnostic tests:
               df1 df2 statistic p-value
#> Weak instruments 1 674
                       796.30 <2e-16 ***
#> Wu-Hausman
                1 673
                         0.92
                               0.34
#> Sargan
                O NA
                           NA
                                  NA
#> ---
#> Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
#> Residual standard error: 0.507 on 674 degrees of freedom
#> Multiple R-Squared: 0.338, Adjusted R-squared: 0.333
\#> Wald test: 56.8 on 5 and 674 DF, p-value: <2e-16
```

Note: The coefficient for years of education is slightly different than that reported in the book.

Run a regression of the difference in wage, instrumenting the difference in years of education with twin's education (Column 4 of Table 6.2).

```
#> -2.0423 -0.3111 -0.0274 0.2471 2.0824
#>
#> Coefficients:
#> Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
#> (Intercept) 0.0274 0.0277 0.99 0.3237
#> deduc 0.1070 0.0339 3.15 0.0018 **
#>
#> Diagnostic tests:
#> df1 df2 statistic p-value
#> Wu-Hausman 1 337
                         4.12 0.043 *
#> Sargan
                O NA
                          NA NA
#> ---
#> Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
#> Residual standard error: 0.512 on 338 degrees of freedom
#> Multiple R-Squared: 0.0132, Adjusted R-squared: 0.0103
\mbox{\#> Wald test: 9.94 on 1 and 338 DF, } p\mbox{-value: 0.00176}
```

Note: The coefficient for years of education is slightly different than that reported in the book.

References

- http://masteringmetrics.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/02/ReadMe_Twinsburg.txt
- http://masteringmetrics.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/02/twins.do

Child Labor Laws as an IV

2SLS estimates of the returns to schooling using child labor laws as instruments for years of schooling (Acemoglu and Angrist 2000). This replicates Table 6.3 of *Mastering 'Metrics*.

```
library("AER")
library("sandwich")
library("clubSandwich")
library("tidyverse")
library("broom")
```

Load the child_labor data.

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Column 1. Years of Schooling.

Column 2. Years of Schooling. State of birth dummies x linear year of birth trends.

Column 3. Log weekly wages.

Column 4. Log weekly wages. State of birth dummies x linear year of birth trends.

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Column 3. Log weekly wages.

```
References
```

- $\bullet \ \ http://masteringmetrics.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/02/ReadMe_ChildLaborLaws.txt$
- $http://masteringmetrics.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/02/AA_regs.do$

coef_test(mod6, vcov = vcovCR(mod2), cluster = child_labor[["state"]])

. - indEduc + cl7 + cl8 + cl9,
data = child_labor, weights = weight)

Quarter of Birth and Returns to Schooling

This replicates Tables 6.4 and 6.5, and Figures 6.1 and 6.2 of *Mastering 'Metrics*. These present an IV analysis of the returns to schooling using quarters of birth (QOB) as instruments for years of schooling (J. D. Angrist and Krueger 1991).

```
library("AER")
library("sandwich")
library("lmtest")
library("tidyverse")
library("broom")
```

Load twins data.

```
data("ak91", package = "masteringmetrics")
```

Some cleaning of the data.

Table 6.4. IV recipe for returns to schooling using a single QOB instrument. Regress log wages on 4th quarter.

Regress years of schooling on 4th quarter.

```
mod2 <- lm(s ~ q4, data = ak91)
coeftest(mod2, vcov = sandwich)</pre>
```

IV regression of log wages on years of schooling, with 4th quarter as an instrument for years of schooling.

```
mod3 <- ivreg(lnw ~ s | q4, data = ak91)
coeftest(mod3, vcov = sandwich)
#>
#> t test of coefficients:
#>
#> Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
#> (Intercept) 4.955 0.358 13.85 <2e-16 ***
#> s 0.074 0.028 2.64 0.0083 **
#> ---
#> Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

9.1 Table 6.5.

Regression Estimates of Returns to Schooling using Quarter of Birth Instruments

Column 1. OLS

Column 2. IV with only the 4th quarter as an instrument.

9.1. TABLE 6.5.

```
#> s
                #>
#> Diagnostic tests:
#>
                    df1
                          df2 statistic p-value
#> Weak instruments
                     1 329507
                                 48.99 2.6e-12 ***
#> Wu-Hausman
                      1 329506
                                  0.01
                                          0.91
                      0
                           NA
                                    NA
                                           NA
#> Sargan
#> ---
#> Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
#> Residual standard error: 0.638 on 329507 degrees of freedom
#> Multiple R-Squared: 0.117, Adjusted R-squared: 0.117
\#> Wald test: 6.97 on 1 and 329507 DF, p-value: 0.00829
```

The argument diagnostics = TRUE will run an F-test on the first stage which is reported as the "Weak instruments" diagnostic.

Column 3. OLS. Controls for year of birth.

```
mod6 \leftarrow lm(lnw \sim s + yob_fct, data = ak91)
coeftest(mod6, vcov = sandwich)
#> t test of coefficients:
#>
#>
        Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
#> (Intercept) 5.017348 0.006019 833.65 < 2e-16 ***
             0.000381 186.34 < 2e-16 ***
#> s
        0.071081
#> yob_fct1936 -0.031781 0.004970
                  -6.39 1.6e-10 ***
#> yob_fct1937 -0.036712  0.004894
                   -7.50 6.4e-14 ***
#> Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

Column 4. IV reg using only the 4th quarter as an instrument. Controls for year of birth.

```
mod7 <- ivreg(lnw ~ s + yob_fct | q4 + yob_fct, data = ak91)</pre>
summary(mod7, vcov = sandwich, diagnostics = TRUE)
#>
#> Call:
#> ivreg(formula = lnw ~ s + yob_fct | q4 + yob_fct, data = ak91)
#>
#> Residuals:
#>
    Min
             1Q Median
                           3Q
#> -8.7785 -0.2346 0.0719 0.3405 4.6687
#>
#> Coefficients:
#>
            Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
#> (Intercept) 4.96599 0.35393 14.03 <2e-16 ***
             0.07520 0.02841
                                      0.0081 **
#> s
                               2.65
```

```
#> yob_fct1932 -0.01557 0.00708
                          -2.20 0.0279 *
#> yob_fct1933 -0.01855
                    0.00833
                           -2.23 0.0259 *
                  0.00909
#> yob_fct1934 -0.02209
                           -2.43 0.0151 *
#> yob_fct1936 -0.03338
                  0.01208 -2.76 0.0057 **
#> yob_fct1937 -0.03857
                   0.01368 -2.82 0.0048 **
#>
#> Diagnostic tests:
#>
                df1 df2 statistic p-value
                 1 329498 47.73 4.9e-12 ***
#> Weak instruments
                            0.02 0.88
#> Wu-Hausman
                  1 329497
                              NA
                                   NA
#> Sargan
                       NA
#> ---
#> Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
#> Residual standard error: 0.638 on 329498 degrees of freedom
#> Multiple R-Squared: 0.117, Adjusted R-squared: 0.117
#> Wald test: 1.81 on 10 and 329498 DF, p-value: 0.054
```

Column 4. IV reg using all quarters as instruments. Controls for year of birth.

```
mod8 <- ivreg(lnw ~ s + yob fct | qob fct + yob fct, data = ak91)
summary(mod8, vcov = sandwich, diagnostics = TRUE)
#>
#> Call:
#> ivreg(formula = lnw ~ s + yob_fct | qob_fct + yob_fct, data = ak91)
#> Residuals:
        1Q Median
#> Min
                  3Q
                       Max
#> -8.9945 -0.2544 0.0676 0.3509 4.8425
#>
#> Coefficients:
        Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
#> (Intercept) 4.59174 0.25057 18.32 < 2e-16 ***
#> s
        0.00930 -4.84 1.3e-06 ***
#> yob_fct1936 -0.04501
#> yob_fct1937 -0.05207 0.01034
                     -5.04 4.7e-07 ***
-4.66 3.1e-06 ***
#> Diagnostic tests:
             df1
                  df2 statistic p-value
                     32.32 <2e-16 ***
#> Weak instruments
              3 329496
#> Wu-Hausman
               1 329497
                       2.98 0.084 .
#> Sargan
                       3.26 0.196
                  NA
#> ---
#> Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

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```
#>
#> Residual standard error: 0.647 on 329498 degrees of freedom
#> Multiple R-Squared: 0.0905, Adjusted R-squared: 0.0905
#> Wald test: 3.79 on 10 and 329498 DF, p-value: 3.9e-05
```

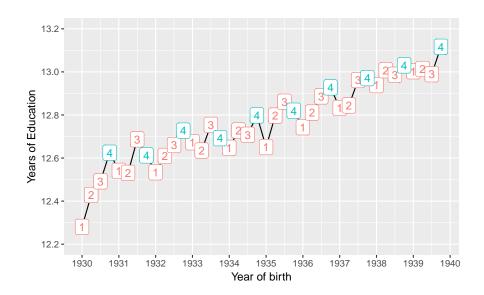
9.2 Figures

Summarize the average wages by age:

```
ak91_age <- ak91 %>%
group_by(qob, yob) %>%
summarise(lnw = mean(lnw), s = mean(s)) %>%
mutate(q4 = (qob == 4))
```

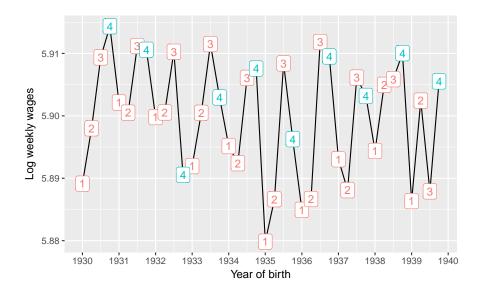
Average years of schooling by quarter of birth for men born in 1930-39 in the 1980 US Census.

```
ggplot(ak91_age, aes(x = yob + (qob - 1) / 4, y = s)) +
  geom_line() +
  geom_label(mapping = aes(label = qob, color = q4)) +
  theme(legend.position = "none") +
  scale_x_continuous("Year of birth", breaks = 1930:1940) +
  scale_y_continuous("Years of Education", breaks = seq(12.2, 13.2, by = 0.2), limits = c(12.2, 13.2))
```



Average log wages by quarter of birth for men born in 1930-39 in the 1980 US Census.

```
ggplot(ak91_age, aes(x = yob + (qob - 1) / 4, y = lnw)) +
geom_line() +
geom_label(mapping = aes(label = qob, color = q4)) +
scale_x_continuous("Year of birth", breaks = 1930:1940) +
scale_y_continuous("Log weekly wages") +
theme(legend.position = "none")
```



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Sheepskin and Returns to Schooling

This replicates Figures 6.3 and 6.4 of *Mastering 'Metrics*. These analyses use a fuzzy RD design to analyze the "sheepskin effects" of a high school diploma (Clark and Martorell 2014).

```
library("tidyverse")

Load sheepskin data.
data("sheepskin", package = "masteringmetrics")

Create indicator variable for passing the test.
sheepskin <- mutate(sheepskin, test_lcs_pass = (minscore >= 0))
```

10.1 Figure 1

Figure 1. Regression discontinuity

Append fitted values to the original dataset

```
fig1_data <- sheepskin %>%
  select(minscore, receivehsd, n) %>%
  modelr::add_predictions(mod1_lhs, var = "fit_hsd2_1") %>%
  mutate(fit_hsd2_1 = if_else(minscore > 0, NA_real_, fit_hsd2_1)) %>%
  modelr::add_predictions(mod1_rhs, var = "fit_hsd2_r") %>%
  mutate(fit_hsd2_r = if_else(minscore < 0, NA_real_, fit_hsd2_r))</pre>
```

Figure 6.3.

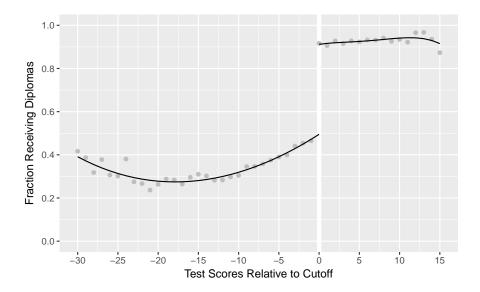


Figure 10.1: Last-chance exams and Texas sheepskin

(# fig: fig. 6.3)

10.2 Figure 2

Append fitted values to the original dataset

```
fig2_data <- sheepskin %>%
  select(minscore, avgearnings, n) %>%
  modelr::add_predictions(mod2_lhs, var = "fit_l") %>%
  mutate(fit_l = if_else(minscore > 0, NA_real_, fit_l)) %>%
  modelr::add_predictions(mod2_rhs, var = "fit_r") %>%
  mutate(fit_r = if_else(minscore < 0, NA_real_, fit_r))</pre>
```

Figure 6.4.

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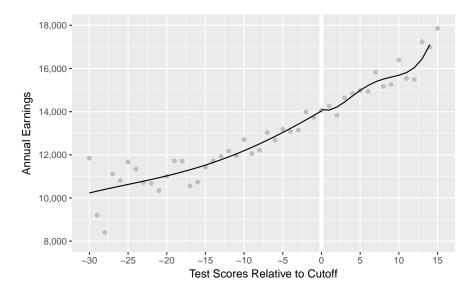


Figure 10.2: The effect of last-chance exam scores on earnings $\,$

 $(\# \mathrm{fig:fig.6.4})$

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