Tutorial 7: Dummy Variables and Interactions (II)

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Today's Agenda

- 1. Fixed effects
- 2. Interaction terms with interval-level variables
- 3. Graphical representation of interactions
- 4. Analysis of Variance (ANOVA)
- 5. Developing your research proposal
- 6. Finding variables that represent theoretical concepts

1. Fixed effects

Last time we ran a (pooled) regression and did not include unit-fixed effects. Fixed effects are dummy variables for units or time periods in our data. In the case of the LDC dataset, we can include country fixed effects (and potentially also year or decade fixed effects).

How would we include fixed effects when we run a regression in R?

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##
## Call:
## lm(formula = newtar ~ l1polity + l1signed + l1office + l1gdp_pc +
      111npop + l1ecris2 + l1bpc1 + l1avnewtar + factor(ctylabel) -
##
      1, data = LDC)
##
## Residuals:
      Min
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                                      Max
## -33.852 -3.563 -0.226
                            3.311 34.980
##
## Coefficients:
##
                                           Estimate Std. Error t value
                                         -5.715e-01 9.872e-02 -5.789
## l1polity
## l1signed
                                          6.267e-01 7.475e-01
                                                                 0.838
## l1office
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## l1gdp_pc
                                         -1.476e-04 3.976e-04 -0.371
                                         -1.741e+01 3.414e+00 -5.099
## lllnpop
## 11ecris2
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## 11bpc1
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                                          3.739e-01 6.787e-02 5.509
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## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Residual standard error: 7.626 on 589 degrees of freedom
     (4676 observations deleted due to missingness)
## Multiple R-squared: 0.9331, Adjusted R-squared: 0.9212
## F-statistic: 78.24 on 105 and 589 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

How is this different from our old method? How does it affect the regression we estimate?

2. Interaction terms with interval-level variables

In today's session we will build upon the last lab and continue to work on interaction effects.

Last time we looked at interactions with binary variables. This time both our variables will be measured at the interval level.

For this purpose we will again use the dataset by Milner and Kubota (2005).

Let us try to test a hypothesis that combines claims from modernization theory and the literature on FDI.

- 1. Modernization theory claims that as countries develop economically, societies become more complex and people more educated which leads to a process of democratization (Lipset 1959, Boix & Stokes 2003).
- 2. The literature on FDI claims that FDI is an important driver of economic growth. It can increase economic development by allowing for technology transfers from other countries (Jensen 2003, Damijan et al. 2003).

Following these two claims of the political-economic literature, one might argue that there is a positive interaction of GDP and FDI inflows: because FDI means technology transfers—and potentially educational effects—meaning that societies acquire production processes of higher complexity, the effect of economic development on democratization may be magnified.

Let us test this hypothesis through a simple regression model with an interaction term. We use our data on developing countries as there is diversity in terms of all three variables we are interested in: democracy scores, FDI inflows, and GDP per capita.

Let us first specifically look at the values of the variables that we are interested in.

```
summary(LDC$polityiv_update2)
```

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## Min. 1st Qu. Median Mean 3rd Qu. Max. NA's ## -10.000 -7.000 -6.000 -2.074 6.000 10.000 2003
```

```
summary(LDC$11gdp_pc)
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```
## Min. 1st Qu. Median Mean 3rd Qu. Max. NA's
## 0 442 1266 2888 2999 44160 1823
```

summary(LDC\$11fdi)

```
## Min. 1st Qu. Median Mean 3rd Qu. Max. NA's ## -27.2400 0.0269 0.6382 1.7930 1.9900 184.6000 2423
```

It might be interesting to see what the extreme outliers are in those cases.

Let us check this with the following commands:

```
which(LDC$11gdp_pc > 20000)
```

```
## [1] 1472 1473 1474 1475 1476 1477 1478 1479 1480 1481 1655 1656 1657 1658 
## [15] 1659 1660 1661 1662 1663 1664 1665 1666 1667 1672 1895 1896 1897 1898 
## [29] 1899 1900 1901 1902 1903 1904 1905 1906 1907 1908 2034 2035 2036 2037 
## [43] 2038 2039 2040 2365 2366 2367 2368 2369 2370
```

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LDC[1472, ]
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country ctylabel date gatt_wto_new aclpn bpc1 dopen_wacz2 ecris2
       443 Kuwait 1971 1 0 NA NA
     fdignp gdp_pc_95d l1aclpn l1bpc1 l1ecris2 newtar polityiv_update2
## 1472 NA 32146.39 O NA
                                   NA -8
                               NA
     signed yrsoffic usheg l1usheg l1fiveop l1gdp_pc
## 1472 0 NA 0.2678981 0.2756129 10.2 31940.31 0.1505376
##
     avnewtar llavsw llavnewtar lnpop lllnpop lloffice
l1partyage2000 l1fdi l1polity l2polity l3polity l1signed milit2 sp2
## 1472 NA NA -9 NA NA O O O
## pers2 l1milit2 l1sp2 dictator1 l1dictator1 yr70 yr80 l1ssch closedyr
## 1472 0 0 0 2 2 1 0 1.232 NA
     _spline1 _spline2 _spline3 l1gatt_wto_new
## 1472 NA NA NA
# It's Kuwait
which(LDC$11fdi > 50)
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[1] 984 2847 2848

LDC[2847,]

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## country ctylabel date gatt_wto_new aclpn bpc1 dopen_wacz2
## 2847 642 EquatorialGuinea 1996 0 0 1 NA
## ecris2 fdignp gdp_pc_95d l1aclpn l1bpc1 l1ecris2 newtar
## 2847 0 184.5647 517.211 0 1 0 NA
## polityiv_update2 signed yrsoffic usheg l1usheg l1fiveop l1gdp_pc
## 2847 -5 0 17 0.26817 0.2627195 13.2 410.9776
## avsw avnewtar l1avsw l1avnewtar lnpop l1lnpop l1office
## 2847 0.6344086 15.04722 0.5913978 16.13231 12.92255 12.89672 16
## l1partyage2000 l1fdi l1polity l2polity l3polity l1signed milit2
## 2847 9.5 82.97678 -5 -5 -5 0 0
## sp2 pers2 l1milit2 l1sp2 dictator1 l1dictator1 yr70 yr80 l1ssch
## 2847 0 0 0 0 2 2 0 0 NA
## closedyr _spline1 _spline2 _spline3 l1gatt_wto_new
## 2847 NA NA NA NA NA
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It's Equatorial Guinea

Now let us estimate a model with an interaction effect.

```
# Second: estimate the model
intmodel = lm(polityiv_update2 ~ l1gdp_pc + l1fdi + l1gdp_pc * l1fdi, data = LDC)
summary(intmodel)
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```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = polityiv_update2 ~ l1gdp_pc + l1fdi + l1gdp_pc *
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```
##
      l1fdi, data = LDC)
##
## Residuals:
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      Min
               1Q Median
                               3Q
                                      Max
## -21.687 -4.959 -2.689
                            7.206 12.278
##
## Coefficients:
##
                   Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)
                 -2.724e+00 1.951e-01 -13.957 < 2e-16 ***
## l1gdp_pc
                 1.006e-03 1.042e-04
                                        9.653 < 2e-16 ***
## l1fdi
                 -5.063e-02 3.696e-02 -1.370
                                                  0.171
## l1gdp_pc:l1fdi 1.726e-04 3.475e-05
                                        4.967 7.28e-07 ***
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 6.755 on 2372 degrees of freedom
     (2994 observations deleted due to missingness)
## Multiple R-squared: 0.08849,
                                   Adjusted R-squared: 0.08734
## F-statistic: 76.76 on 3 and 2372 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

How would we interpret the interaction of GDP per capita and FDI? Is it problematic that one of the terms is not significant?

Also, what happens if we use the two formulas below?

```
intmodel2 = lm(polityiv_update2 ~ l1gdp_pc * l1fdi, data = LDC)
summary(intmodel2)
```

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = polityiv_update2 ~ l1gdp_pc * l1fdi, data = LDC)
## Residuals:
##
      Min
               10 Median
                               30
                                      Max
## -21.687 -4.959 -2.689
                            7.206 12.278
## Coefficients:
                   Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)
                 -2.724e+00 1.951e-01 -13.957 < 2e-16 ***
## l1gdp_pc
                  1.006e-03 1.042e-04
                                         9.653
                                               < 2e-16 ***
## l1fdi
                 -5.063e-02 3.696e-02 -1.370
                                                  0.171
## l1gdp_pc:l1fdi 1.726e-04 3.475e-05
                                         4.967 7.28e-07 ***
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 6.755 on 2372 degrees of freedom
    (2994 observations deleted due to missingness)
## Multiple R-squared: 0.08849,
                                   Adjusted R-squared: 0.08734
## F-statistic: 76.76 on 3 and 2372 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
intmodel3 = lm(polityiv_update2 ~ l1gdp_pc:l1fdi, data = LDC)
summary(intmodel3)
```

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = polityiv_update2 ~ l1gdp_pc:l1fdi, data = LDC)
## Residuals:
##
      Min
                1Q Median
                                3Q
                                       Max
  -27.369 -5.539 -2.722
                             7.443 15.757
##
## Coefficients:
##
                    Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)
                  -1.548e+00 1.528e-01 -10.13
                                                  <2e-16 ***
## l1gdp_pc:l1fdi 2.505e-04 2.391e-05
                                                  <2e-16 ***
                                          10.48
                  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 6.915 on 2374 degrees of freedom
     (2994 observations deleted due to missingness)
## Multiple R-squared: 0.0442, Adjusted R-squared:
## F-statistic: 109.8 on 1 and 2374 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

Which model would be the better choice?

3. Graphical representation of interactions

There are multiple ways how we can plot interaction terms. If we have the following model:

```
Y = b0 + b1 x1 + b2 x2 + b3 x1 x2 + u
```

We can plot the effects of interactions in the following ways:

- 1. We can plot variation in marginal effects of x1 as x2 changes (and vice versa).
- 2. We can plot coefficients and confidence intervals around them.
- 3. We can plot predicted values of Y as x1 changes at different values of x2.

How would we plot the marginal effect of GDP per capita at different values of FDI inflows?

Let us first check out the coefficients of our model.

intmodel\$coefficients

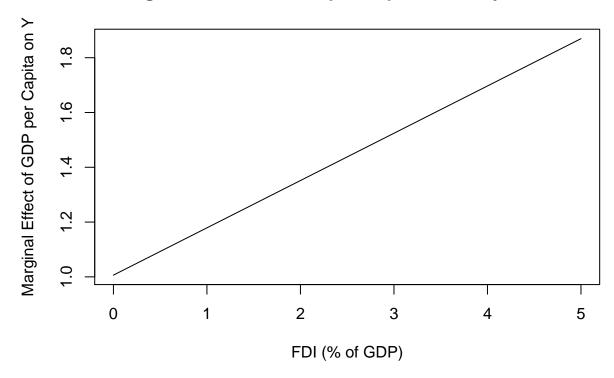
```
## (Intercept) 11gdp_pc 11fdi 11gdp_pc:11fdi
## -2.7235846254 0.0010063348 -0.0506297183 0.0001726174
```

Now we need to look at possible values of FDI inflows:

```
summary(LDC$fdignp)
```

```
## Min. 1st Qu. Median Mean 3rd Qu. Max. NA's ## -27.2400 0.0361 0.6644 1.8960 2.0830 184.6000 2294
```

Marginal Effects of GDP per Capita on Polity IV Score



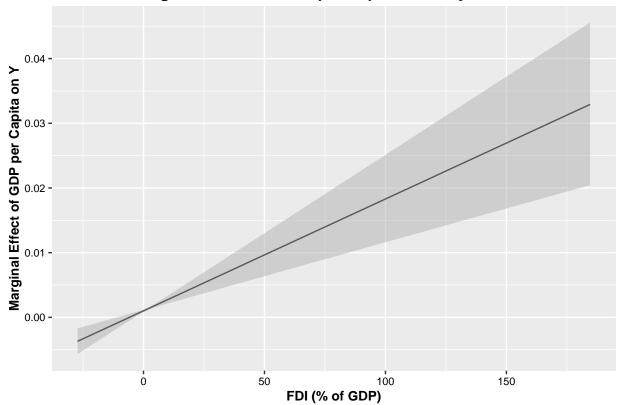
How would we interpret this plot?

We can easily make a prettier plot that includes confidence intervals by using the package "interplot": install.packages("interplot")

library(interplot)

Loading required package: ggplot2
Loading required package: abind

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How would we interpret this plot?

Loading required package: arm

Alternatively, we can also plot coefficient plots. These plots show us the coefficients with confidence intervals. For this purpose, we will use the package "coefplot": install.packages("coefplot")

library(coefplot)

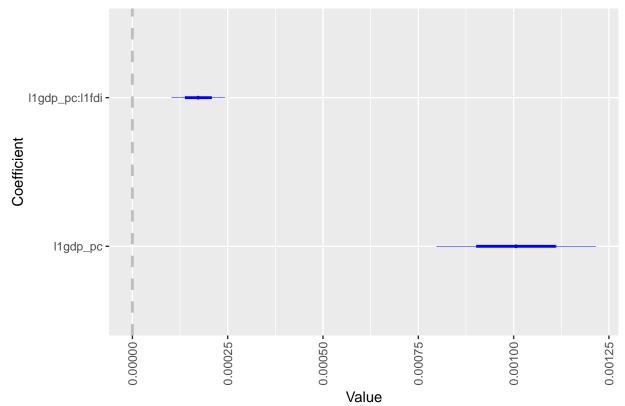
```
##
## Attaching package: 'coefplot'
## The following objects are masked from 'package:arm':
##
## coefplot, coefplot.default
```

buildModelCI(intmodel)

```
Value
                                  Coefficient
                                                  HighInner
                                                                 LowInner
## l1gdp_pc:l1fdi  0.0001726174 l1gdp_pc:l1fdi  0.0002073697  0.0001378651
                                        l1fdi -0.0136661572 -0.0875932793
## l1fdi
                 -0.0506297183
                                     l1gdp_pc 0.0011105892 0.0009020803
## l1gdp_pc
                  0.0010063348
## (Intercept)
                 -2.7235846254
                                  (Intercept) -2.5284411572 -2.9187280936
                    HighOuter
                                   LowOuter
                                               Model
## l1gdp_pc:l1fdi 0.000242122 0.0001031128 intmodel
## l1fdi
                  0.023297404 -0.1245568404 intmodel
## l1gdp_pc
                  0.001214844 0.0007978259 intmodel
                 -2.333297689 -3.1138715617 intmodel
## (Intercept)
```

coefplot(intmodel, coefficients = c("l1gdp_pc", "l1gdp_pc:l1fdi"), point = T) + theme(axis.text.x = element_text(angle = 90))





How would we interpret this plot?

In order to graphically represent the effect that GDP per capita has on our dependent variable (democracy measured by the Polity IV score) at different levels of FDI, we create several new dataframes.

Next we use the model we estimated to predict values based on this new dataframe.

```
pred.p1 = predict(intmodel, type = "response", se.fit = TRUE, newdata = nd1)
pred.p2 = predict(intmodel, type = "response", se.fit = TRUE, newdata = nd2)
pred.p3 = predict(intmodel, type = "response", se.fit = TRUE, newdata = nd3)

pred.table1 = cbind(pred.p1$fit, pred.p1$se.fit)
pred.table2 = cbind(pred.p2$fit, pred.p2$se.fit)
pred.table3 = cbind(pred.p3$fit, pred.p3$se.fit)
```

Finally, we create the plot. Let's start by adding the first values.

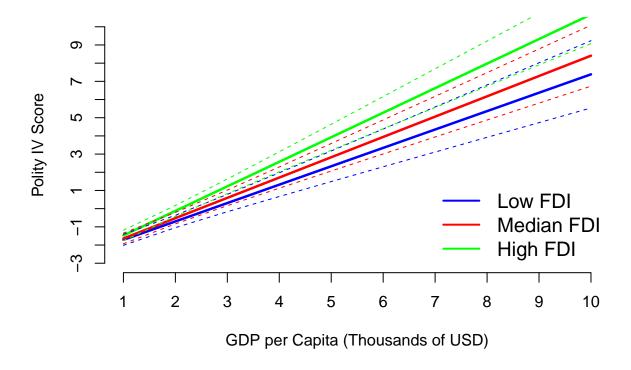
```
plot(pred.p1$fit, type = "l", ylim = c(-3, 10), main = "Predicted Values: GDP per capita and Democracy
    xlab = "GDP per Capita (Thousands of USD)", ylab = "Polity IV Score", axes = FALSE,
    col = "blue", lwd = 2.5)
axis(1, at = seq(1, 10), labels = seq(1, 10))
axis(2, at = seq(-3, 10), labels = seq(-3, 10))
### Next: we add lines
lines(pred.p2$fit, col = "red", lwd = 2.5)
lines(pred.p3$fit, col = "green", lwd = 2.5)
### Let us add a legend to our plot, so it's more obivous what we did here.
legend("bottomright", c("Low FDI", "Median FDI", "High FDI"), lty = 1, lwd = 2,
    col = c("blue", "red", "green"), bty = "n", cex = 1.25)
### We can also add confidence intervals to our plot, though this will make it
### a little less clear.
fit1 = pred.p1$fit
low1 = pred.p1$fit - 2 * pred.p1$se.fit
high1 = pred.p1$fit + 2 * pred.p1$se.fit
cis1 = cbind(fit1, low1, high1)
```

```
fit2 = pred.p2$fit
low2 = pred.p2$fit - 2 * pred.p2$se.fit
high2 = pred.p2$fit + 2 * pred.p2$se.fit
cis2 = cbind(fit2, low2, high2)

fit3 = pred.p3$fit
low3 = pred.p3$fit - 2 * pred.p3$se.fit
high3 = pred.p3$fit + 2 * pred.p3$se.fit
cis3 = cbind(fit3, low3, high3)

matlines(cis1[, c(2, 3)], lty = 2, col = "blue")
matlines(cis2[, c(2, 3)], lty = 2, col = "red")
matlines(cis3[, c(2, 3)], lty = 2, col = "green")
```

Predicted Values: GDP per capita and Democracy Score



How would we interpret this plot?

Be very cautious about any causal interpretation here. We probably have several problems associated with causal inference, including omitted variable bias and endogeneity.

Let's naively assume that we don't deal with those problems here. Would the predicted values support our initial hypothesis?

4. Analysis of Variance (ANOVA)

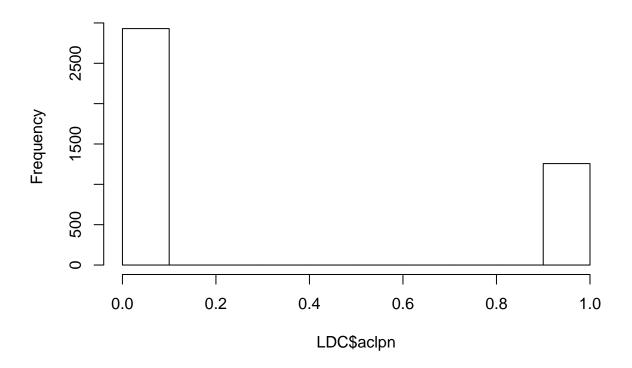
Let us conduct an analysis of variance. We are interested in the level of FDI inflows and we look at two different binary variables:

- 1. Democracy coded as 0 and 1
- 2. Open Economy coded as 0 and 1

How would we expect these variables to influence the level of FDI inflows?

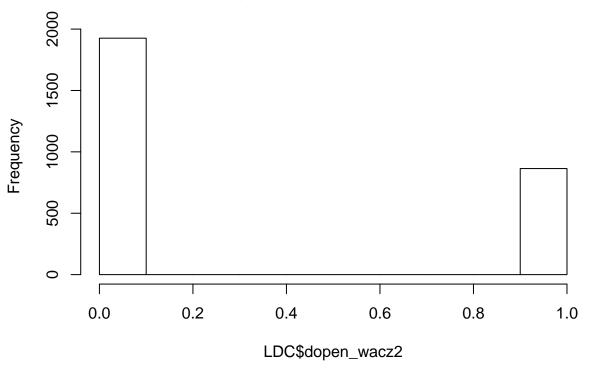
hist(LDC\$aclpn)

Histogram of LDC\$aclpn



hist(LDC\$dopen_wacz2)





Let us run look at a one-way ANOVA table.

```
anovamodel1 = lm(fdignp ~ aclpn, data = LDC)
summary(anovamodel1)
```

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = fdignp ~ aclpn, data = LDC)
## Residuals:
##
       Min
                1Q Median
                                3Q
                                       Max
   -28.736 -1.501 -1.114
                             0.219 183.064
##
## Coefficients:
##
               Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)
                 1.5007
                            0.1189
                                   12.623 < 2e-16 ***
## aclpn
                 1.1995
                            0.2023
                                     5.928 3.41e-09 ***
##
                   0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Signif. codes:
## Residual standard error: 5.293 on 3025 degrees of freedom
     (2343 observations deleted due to missingness)
## Multiple R-squared: 0.01148,
                                    Adjusted R-squared: 0.01116
## F-statistic: 35.14 on 1 and 3025 DF, p-value: 3.408e-09
```

```
anova(anovamodel1)
```

```
## Analysis of Variance Table
## Response: fdignp
##
              Df Sum Sq Mean Sq F value
                                           Pr(>F)
## aclpn
               1
                    984 984.48 35.144 3.408e-09 ***
## Residuals 3025 84739
                          28.01
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
How would we interpret these results? Compare to the results of the OLS regression.
Let us look at a two-way ANOVA table.
anovamodel2 = lm(fdignp ~ aclpn + dopen_wacz2 + aclpn * dopen_wacz2, data = LDC)
summary(anovamodel2)
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = fdignp ~ aclpn + dopen_wacz2 + aclpn * dopen_wacz2,
      data = LDC)
##
## Residuals:
##
      Min
               1Q Median
                               3Q
                                      Max
## -28.294 -1.059 -0.710
                            0.313 82.253
##
## Coefficients:
##
                    Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)
                     1.05857
                                0.09506 11.136 < 2e-16 ***
                                         0.222 0.823982
## aclpn
                     0.04466
                                0.20076
## dopen_wacz2
                     0.40981
                                0.20384
                                          2.010 0.044501 *
## aclpn:dopen_wacz2 1.06032
                                0.32010
                                          3.312 0.000939 ***
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 3.378 on 2360 degrees of freedom
    (3006 observations deleted due to missingness)
## Multiple R-squared: 0.02566,
                                   Adjusted R-squared: 0.02442
## F-statistic: 20.72 on 3 and 2360 DF, p-value: 3.008e-13
anova(anovamodel2)
## Analysis of Variance Table
##
## Response: fdignp
##
                      Df Sum Sq Mean Sq F value
                                                    Pr(>F)
## aclpn
                           258.3 258.27 22.630 2.083e-06 ***
                       1
                           325.9 325.85 28.551 1.000e-07 ***
## dopen_wacz2
                       1
## aclpn:dopen_wacz2
                       1
                           125.2 125.23 10.972 0.0009388 ***
## Residuals
                    2360 26934.8
```

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Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

How would we interpret these results? Compare to the results of the OLS regression.

5. Developing your research proposal

- 1. What is your theory?
- 2. How can you turn this theory into a testable hypothesis?
- 3. Which data is out there that would allow you to test your hypothesis?

6. Finding variables that represent theoretical concepts

We are interested in finding a measurement for veto players. Veto players can be described as the number of institutions in a political system whose approval is required when changes to the status quo are attempted to be made.

How can we measure this theoretical concept? Which variables might be most useful?

In class-exercise: turning a concept into a measurement