1. Title Card [Paper Cover Page]
2. Thesis
   1. [Map of US] Demonstrate that voting Patterns in the US are primarily correlated to Urban vs Rural,
   2. [Show state level Cartogram] Contrary to Southern Block / Race / etc. pedalled by Main Stream Media and some scholars. There are two Americas, but dividing line is city limits, not the mason-dixie line.
   3. [Show Map of US uncoloured] Closer look by resolving to county level. More nuanced view, as with all things.
3. Method
   1. Illustrated by Maps created by me using publicly available data and mostly freely available tools.
   2. Some state level maps overlaid onto geographical maps with transparency adjusted to illustrate point. Blunt instrument.
   3. Cartograms (define) will be used to demonstrate. [Show 2012 Cartogram] Coloured by party vote, counties sized to population.
   4. Focusing on contiguous US for reasons of deformation.
   5. Focusing on some individual states due to deformation issues.
   6. 2004, 2008, 2012 elections. Shape files for 2004/2008 are different from 2012, esp. on coasts. Will still get point across.
4. The Main Stream Media and the Bill Maher Clip (Screencap Wiki)
   1. Politics of the Southern United States, Southern Strategy, Solid South
      1. Whole Books written on the subject
   2. CNN Transcripts, Voyant Tools, Text Analysis
   3. Out of Scope, will assume
   4. Maher Video, March 27, 2015, happened by coincidence while working on project.
   5. Is Maher Correct about cities?
5. 2004 Map of US
   1. Contig
      1. Seems like Rep dominate.
      2. Even here, though, we can see obvious rural/urban split. See California?
   2. Contig Carto
      1. Explain Carto
      2. Look at the amount of blue. Remember, this is 2004 / Bush election.
      3. Pattern is EVERYWHERE.
      4. Don’t Like the shape file on coasts. Would re-attach to the 2012 shapefile, see when we get there.
6. 2008 Map of US
   1. Contig
      1. Similar Pattern
      2. Obama’s first win. Not much has changed, though.
   2. Contig Carto
      1. Again, very similar.
7. 2012 Map of US
   1. Contig
      1. Similar pattern.
      2. Obama’s second win.
   2. Contig Carto
      1. Difference in shape files. Bodies of water/coasts.
      2. Message is consistent. *Everywhere* Urban Rural divide.
      3. Polarization? Seems like more deep red counties.
8. California
   1. 2004 – 2012 Coloured Maps. (Quickly)
      1. Obvious here, even in “solid” Cali.
   2. 2004 – 2012 Carto (Quickly)
      1. Wow, look at that. Only blue. BUT… Urban Rural divide.
9. Florida
   1. 2004 Coloured Map
   2. Transparency.
   3. 2004 Cartogram
   4. 2008 Coloured to Carto
   5. 2012 Coloured to Carto
10. Virginia
    1. 2004 Coloured Map
    2. Transparency
    3. 2004 Carto
    4. 2008 Coloured
    5. Transparenc.y. Is population shifting to urban? Certainly other elements here and it isn’t the only factor, but we’re talking correlation here, not necessarily causation.
    6. 2008 Carto
    7. 2012 Coloured to Carto. Same pattern. Bear in mind different shape file.
11. Texas
    1. 2004 Coloured Map
    2. Yes, even here. This is BUSH presidency, in his 2nd election! Still True!
    3. 2004 Cartogram.
    4. 2008 Coloured, 2008 Carto, 2012 Coloured, 2012 Carto
12. Alabama
    1. 2004 Coloured Map
    2. Recall Maher. Yes, even here, Mr. Huckabee. Huntsville, Birmingham, Mobile
    3. 2004 Cartogram. Damned coastal shaped file again.
    4. 2008 Coloured, 2008 Carto, 2012 Coloured, 2012 Carto
    5. Huntsville, Birmingham, Mobile