UCP Leadership Scenarios

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Sankey Diagrams for UCP Leadership Scenarios

I found <code>QJLisaYoung</code>'s tweet about potential outcomes of the UCP leadership race fascinating and so I wanted to contribute. Here's a brief overview of the steps that I undertook, along with the results.

Data

I downloaded the data from the google sheet found here as an Excel workbook, removed all of the rows above the data on each sheet, tweaked the sheet names, and deleted the surprise plot twist (only because I didn't know how to visualize it, not because it didn't intrigue me).

For the "Base Model Declining Subsequent" sheet I deleted the "Adjusted Final" column as I wanted to be consistent with the prior columns in that sheet.

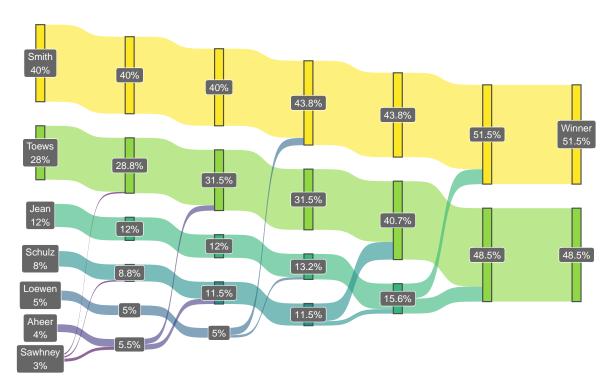
Processing and Visualizing

I wrote functions in R to read in the data and visualize it using David Sjoberg's ggsankey package (see here) for details. The functions I worte are contained in the HelperFunctions.R file in my GitHub repo for this project.

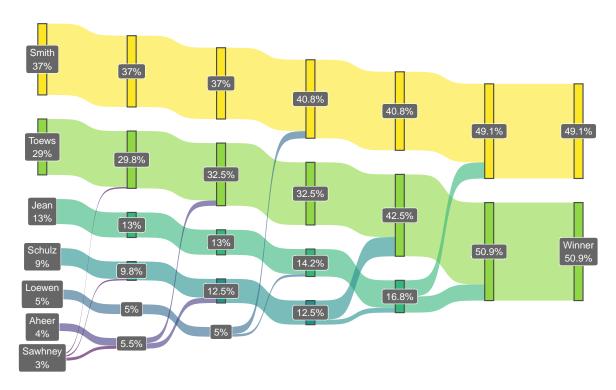
Results

Here are the Sankeys that were obtained for each of the different scenarios listed:

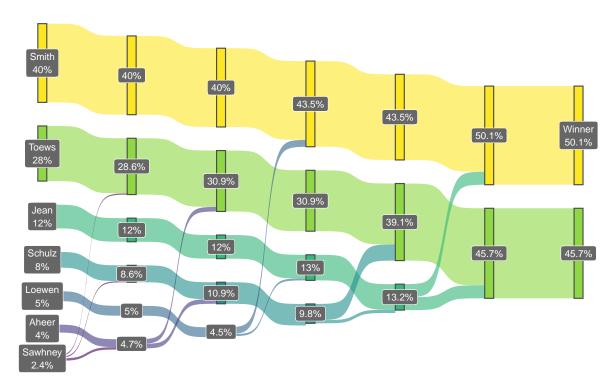
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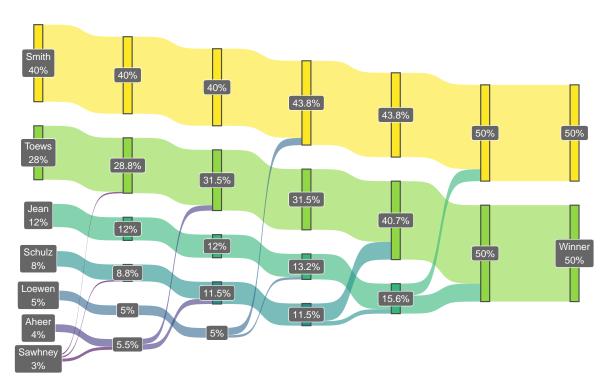
Base Model – Downgrade Smith



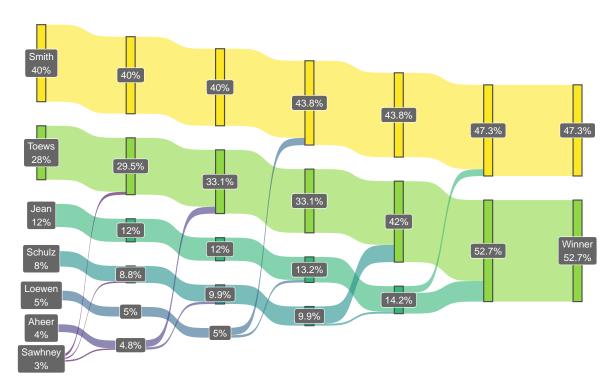
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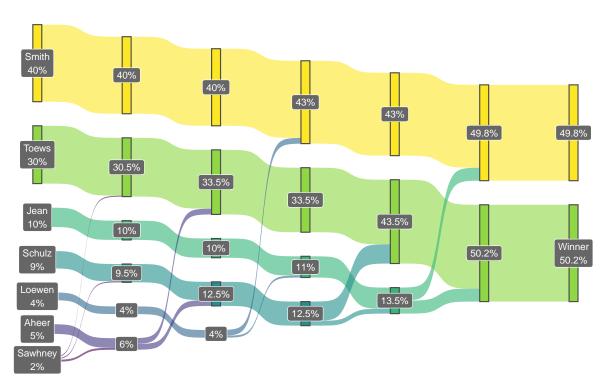
Jean Supporters Lean to Toews



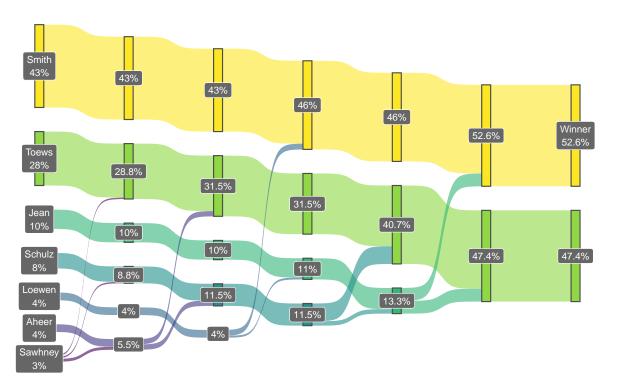
Anybody but Smith Strategy



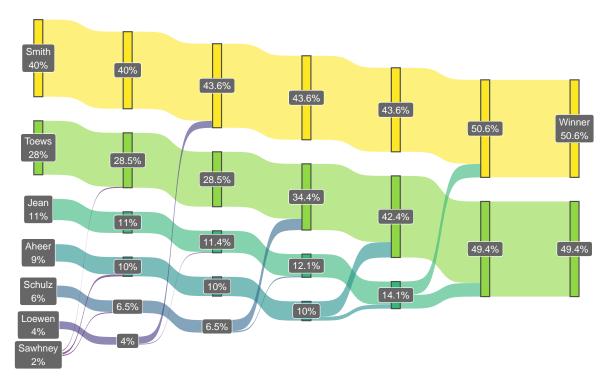
Strong Toews 1st Ballot



Strong Smith 1st Ballot



Aheer Overperforms Expectations



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