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- 1) Voter data can be hard to predict because data gathered for measuring how voters view candidates and ballot measures is usually deeply inaccurate. Between faulty polling methodologies (ie pollsters contacting voters using only landlines, and thus contacting only older voters), terrible wording of questions, and polling agencies with a political agendy in mind, it's a wonder that people take polls seriously. In addition, people may lie to a pollster to evade facing judgement, or may even experience a change of heart in political opinion altogether from between the polling and actual voting times. Thus, it becomes really difficult to predict voter data.
- 2) Part of what went right for Nate Silver in 2012 was actually the Republican Party and the US economy going through some structural changes at the time. Namely, the GOP was in the middle of the Tea Party movement, and thus was moving to the right on many issues. Inconveniently for the Tea Party, Romney, one of the last few moderates in the GOP (he was actually pro-choice in his Senate run back in the 90s) got the nomination after Speaker Gingrich, Senator Santorum, and Congressman Paul all were defeated in the 2012 GOP primary. The GOP base (the Tea Party) was disgruntled by this even though the economy had not recovered from the '08 recession. President Obama had 4 years to produce change and benefits for the American people who were effected by the recession and failed in the eyes of many, and thus many within the media establishment weren't sure on Obama winning re-eleciton. Thus, Romney blew millions of dollars surrounding himself with focus groups and media consultants who reassured him the presidency was his, and there wasn't much he had to do about it. Little did Romney know that national polling means little in a presidential election, and that because of the structure of the Electoral College, state polling is largely what counts.

By relating voter opinion to time on a state-by-state basis, Nate Silver was able to predict every single state in the 2012 election. Mixing Bayes' Theorem, hierarchical modelling, and graph theory, Nate Silver was able to successfully predict the 2012 election with ease. It largely revolved around centering his predictions on how Ohio was going to vote. In political terms, the Democrats hadn't yet lost the support of the white working class that voted Trump in 2016, and this demographic can be seen primarily in the Rust Belt. Romney, being a white-collar financier, wouldn't have the appeal unionists in the then-relevant Obama coalition had to those voters. Thus, by Obama winning Ohio, he likely would have also made the appeal to win the swing states necessary for 270 votes in the electoral college.

3) The Obama coalition no longer exists, the white working class in the Rust Belt felt cheated by what they perceived to be neoliberal globalism and their jobs shipped overseas. Then-candidate Trump simply capitalized on what people across the political spectrum considered to be Obama's economic and foreign policy failures as president and Secretary Clinton's failures as America's top diplomat. Trump saw an opportunity to push his more paleoconservative/nationalist platform through appealing to the American heartland while maintaining appeal to the religious right, the remnants of the Tea Party, and any Senator Sanders supporters who were disillusioned by the 2016 Democratic primary. I would go as far as say that Trump may have even won in 2012 had he run then, and my evidence is the fact that Obama won 2012 by only 64 electoral votes scattered across four swing states: Florida, Ohio, Virginia, and New Hampshire. I researched the actual voting margins and found Romney only needed 429,464 votes across these four states to win the 270 electoral votes for the presidency. Trump added 2 million votes to the GOP column with Florida and the Rust Belt making up the Electoral College difference.

Polling can be made better by divorcing itself from all biases and policy agendas and instead diversifying

outreach to voters. This means issuing polls by email or cell phone call. I do not think this will happen, and thus the actual predictions themselves can be made better if we focus more on state-wide sentiments as it pertains to major policy issues. I do see the Sun Belt coming into play in the near future, and I think we can experiment there by testing analytics methods for unstructured data likely voters may yield while on the Internet (ie - scraping keystroke and page visit time data from whatever API is relevant).

```
library(dplyr)
##
## Attaching package: 'dplyr'
## The following objects are masked from 'package:stats':
##
##
       filter, lag
## The following objects are masked from 'package:base':
##
##
       intersect, setdiff, setequal, union
library(readr)
library(knitr)
library(kableExtra)
##
## Attaching package: 'kableExtra'
## The following object is masked from 'package:dplyr':
##
##
       group_rows
## read data and convert candidate from string to factor
election.raw <- read_delim("election.csv", delim = ",") %>%
  mutate(candidate=as.factor(candidate))
## Parsed with column specification:
## cols(
##
     county = col_character(),
##
     fips = col character(),
##
     candidate = col_character(),
     state = col_character(),
##
##
     votes = col_double()
## )
census_meta <- read_delim("metadata.csv", delim = ";", col_names = FALSE)</pre>
## Parsed with column specification:
## cols(
##
     X1 = col_character(),
     X2 = col_character(),
##
     X3 = col_character()
census <- read_delim("census.csv", delim = ",")</pre>
## Parsed with column specification:
## cols(
##
     .default = col_double(),
##
     State = col_character(),
     County = col_character()
##
```

```
## )
## See spec(...) for full column specifications.
```

```
kable(election.raw %>% filter(county == "Los Angeles County")) %>%
kable_styling(bootstrap_options = c("striped", "hover", "condensed", "responsive"),
full_width=FALSE)
```

county	fips	candidate	state	votes
Los Angeles County	6037	Hillary Clinton	CA	2464364
Los Angeles County	6037	Donald Trump	CA	769743
Los Angeles County	6037	Gary Johnson	CA	88968
Los Angeles County	6037	Jill Stein	CA	76465
Los Angeles County	6037	Gloria La Riva	CA	21993

4) We exclude fips = 2000 because it is a duplicate for Arkansas, and thus are unnecessary. We are then left with the following dimensions for election.raw.

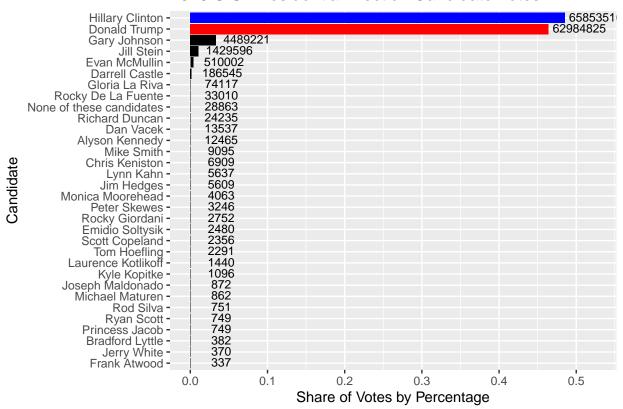
```
# 4
election.raw <- filter(election.raw, fips != 2000)
dim(election.raw)
## [1] 18345    5
# 18345 observations, 5 columns</pre>
```

5) This is just us filtering our data

```
# 5
election <- filter(election.raw, !is.na(county))
election_federal <- filter(election.raw, fips == "US")
election_state <- filter(election.raw, fips != "US" & is.na(county))
election <- rbind(election, election_state[309:312,])</pre>
```

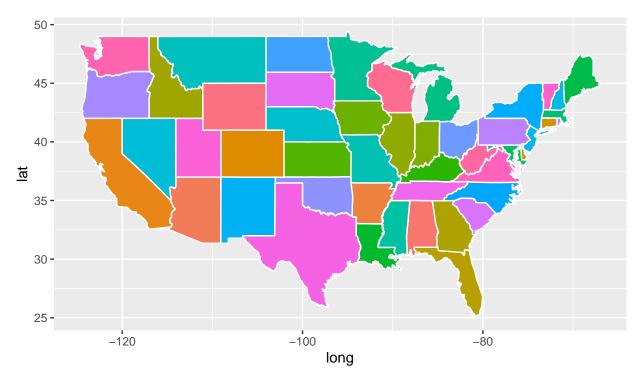
6) Here, we have total population vote count for all candidates.

2016 U.S. Presidential Election Candidate Votes

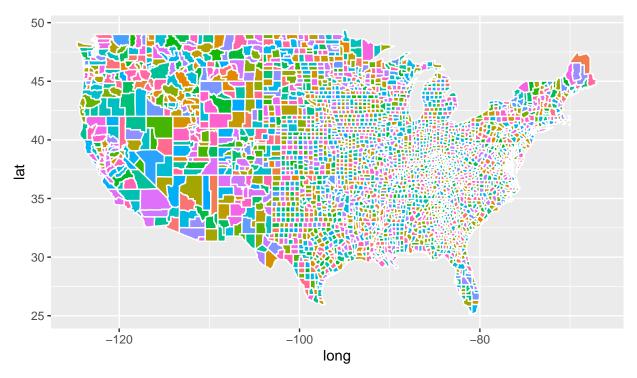


7) Here, we create our county_winner and state_winner objects (no output).

```
# 7
county.group <- group_by(election, fips)</pre>
total.group <- dplyr::summarize(county.group, total = sum(votes))</pre>
count.group <- left_join(county.group, total.group, by = "fips")</pre>
county.pct <- mutate(count.group, pct = votes/total)</pre>
county_winner <- top_n(county.pct, n =1)</pre>
## Selecting by pct
state.group <- group_by(election_state, state)</pre>
total.stqte <- dplyr::summarize(state.group, total = sum(votes))</pre>
join.state <- left_join(state.group, total.stqte, by = "state")</pre>
state.pct <- mutate(join.state, pct = votes/total)</pre>
state_winner <- top_n(state.pct, n= 1)</pre>
## Selecting by pct
This is our state map.
states <- map_data("state")</pre>
ggplot(data = states) +
  geom_polygon(aes(x = long, y = lat, fill = region, group = group), color = "white") +
  coord fixed(1.3) +
  guides(fill=FALSE) # color legend is unnecessary and takes too long
```

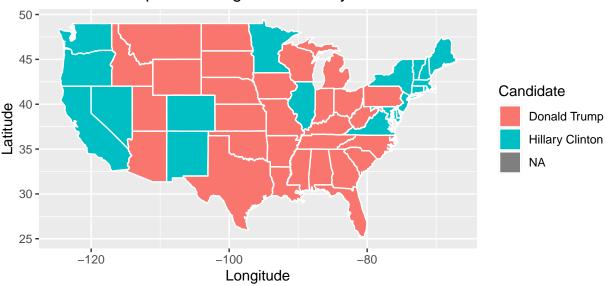


8) This is our county map.



9) This is the state map in accordance with the candidate that won each state in the 2016 presidential election.

Map of Winning Candidate by State



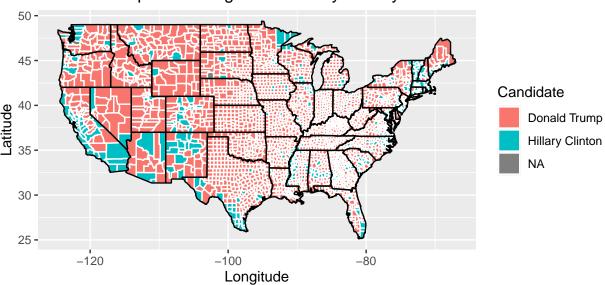
10) Here, we create our fips field for county. I then threw in a plot showing county- by-county results for the election on a visual basis.

```
# 10
county = map_data("county")
county.str <- maps::county.fips</pre>
y <- unlist(strsplit(county.str$polyname, ","))</pre>
region <- NULL
subregion <- NULL
for(i in seq(1,length(y), by = 2)){
  region <- c(region, y[i])}</pre>
for(i in seq(2, length(y), by = 2)){
  subregion <- c(subregion, y[i])}</pre>
county.str <- cbind(county.str, region)</pre>
county.str <- cbind(county.str, subregion)</pre>
county.str \leftarrow county.str[,c(1,3,4)]
county <- left_join(county, county.str, by = c("region","subregion"))</pre>
## Warning: Column `region` joining character vector and factor, coercing into
## character vector
## Warning: Column `subregion` joining character vector and factor, coercing into
## character vector
county$fips <- as.factor(county$fips)</pre>
county <- left_join(county, county_winner, by = "fips")</pre>
## Warning: Column `fips` joining factor and character vector, coercing into
## character vector
```

 $\mbox{\tt \#\#}$ Warning: Use of `states\$long` is discouraged. Use `long` instead.

Warning: Use of `states\$lat` is discouraged. Use `lat` instead.

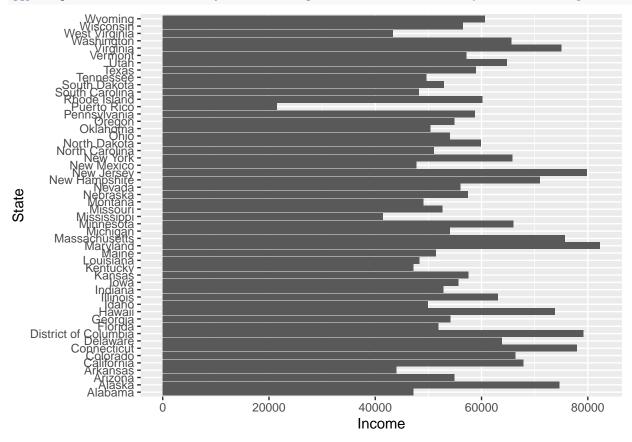
Map of Winning Candidate by County



11) This visual is actually really simple. All it shows is average income by state.

```
# 11
plot.10 <- na.omit(census)</pre>
plot.10 <- plot.10 %>% group_by(State) %>% add_tally(TotalPop)
plot.10 <- cbind(plot.10, Weight = plot.10$TotalPop/plot.10$n )</pre>
plot.10 <- plot.10 %>% group_by(State) %>% summarise_at(vars(Income), funs(sum(. * Weight)))
## Warning: funs() is soft deprecated as of dplyr 0.8.0
## Please use a list of either functions or lambdas:
##
##
     # Simple named list:
##
     list(mean = mean, median = median)
##
##
     # Auto named with `tibble::lst()`:
##
     tibble::1st(mean, median)
##
##
     # Using lambdas
     list(~ mean(., trim = .2), ~ median(., na.rm = TRUE))
## This warning is displayed once per session.
```





12) Here we cleaned our data and created census.del, census.subct, and census.ct.

```
3851 46.4
## 6 1001020600 Alab~ Autau~
                                                  25
                                                          68.6 63092
                                                                            9585
## # ... with 19 more variables: IncomePerCap <dbl>, IncomePerCapErr <dbl>,
      Poverty <dbl>, ChildPoverty <dbl>, Professional <dbl>, Service <dbl>,
       Office <dbl>, Production <dbl>, Drive <dbl>, Carpool <dbl>, Transit <dbl>,
       OtherTransp <dbl>, WorkAtHome <dbl>, MeanCommute <dbl>, Employed <dbl>,
## #
## #
       PrivateWork <dbl>, SelfEmployed <dbl>, FamilyWork <dbl>, Unemployment <dbl>
census.subct <- group_by(census.del, State, County)</pre>
census.subct <- add tally(census.subct)</pre>
names(census.subct)[ncol(census.subct)] <- "CountyTotal"</pre>
census.subct <- mutate(census.subct, CountyWeight = TotalPop/CountyTotal)</pre>
head(census.subct)
## # A tibble: 6 x 30
## # Groups:
               State, County [1]
     CensusTract State County TotalPop
                                         Men Minority Citizen Income IncomeErr
##
           <dbl> <chr> <chr>
                                 <dbl> <dbl>
                                                 <dbl>
                                                         <dbl> <dbl>
                                                                           <dbl>
## 1 1001020100 Alab~ Autau~
                                  1948 48.3
                                                   9.5
                                                          77.2 61838
                                                                           11900
                                                          77.1 32303
## 2 1001020200 Alab~ Autau~
                                  2156 49.1
                                                  56.4
                                                                           13538
## 3 1001020300 Alab~ Autau~
                                  2968 46.0
                                                  20.8
                                                          78.7 44922
                                                                            5629
## 4 1001020400 Alab~ Autau~
                                                  15.8
                                                                            7003
                                  4423 49.1
                                                          74.7 54329
## 5 1001020500 Alab~ Autau~
                                 10763 45.7
                                                  29.3
                                                          71.2 51965
                                                                            6935
                                                          68.6 63092
## 6 1001020600 Alab~ Autau~
                                  3851 46.4
                                                  25
                                                                            9585
## # ... with 21 more variables: IncomePerCap <dbl>, IncomePerCapErr <dbl>,
      Poverty <dbl>, ChildPoverty <dbl>, Professional <dbl>, Service <dbl>,
       Office <dbl>, Production <dbl>, Drive <dbl>, Carpool <dbl>, Transit <dbl>,
       OtherTransp <dbl>, WorkAtHome <dbl>, MeanCommute <dbl>, Employed <dbl>,
## #
      PrivateWork <dbl>, SelfEmployed <dbl>, FamilyWork <dbl>,
## #
       Unemployment <dbl>, CountyTotal <int>, CountyWeight <dbl>
census.ct <- census.subct</pre>
CountyWeightSum <- summarise at(census.ct, .funs = funs(sum), .vars =</pre>
                                  vars("CountyWeight"))
names(CountyWeightSum)[ncol(CountyWeightSum)] <- "CountyWeightSum"</pre>
census.ct <- left_join(census.ct,CountyWeightSum , by = c("State", "County"))</pre>
census.ct <- mutate(census.ct, CountyWeight = CountyWeight/CountyWeightSum)</pre>
census.ct <- select(census.ct, -CountyWeightSum, - CountyTotal)</pre>
census.ct[5:28] <- census.ct[5:28]*census.ct$CountyWeight</pre>
census.ct <- census.ct %>% summarise_at(vars(TotalPop:Unemployment), funs(sum))
census.ct <- ungroup(census.ct)</pre>
head(census.ct)
## # A tibble: 6 x 27
                             Men Minority Citizen Income IncomeErr IncomePerCap
##
     State County TotalPop
     <chr> <chr>
                     <dbl> <dbl>
                                     <dbl>
                                             <dbl> <dbl>
                                                              <dbl>
## 1 Alab~ Autau~
                     55221 48.4
                                      22.5
                                              73.7 51696.
                                                              7771.
                                                                           24974.
## 2 Alab~ Baldw~
                    195121 48.8
                                     15.2
                                                              8745.
                                              75.7 51074.
                                                                           27317.
## 3 Alab~ Barbo~
                     26932 53.8
                                     51.9
                                             76.9 32959.
                                                              6031.
                                                                           16824.
## 4 Alab~ Bibb
                     22604 53.4
                                      24.2
                                              77.4 38887.
                                                              5662.
                                                                           18431.
## 5 Alab~ Blount
                     57710 49.4
                                              73.4 46238.
                                      10.6
                                                              8696.
                                                                           20532.
## 6 Alab~ Bullo~
                     10678 53.0
                                     76.5
                                              75.5 33293.
                                                              9000.
                                                                           17580.
## # ... with 18 more variables: IncomePerCapErr <dbl>, Poverty <dbl>,
       ChildPoverty <dbl>, Professional <dbl>, Service <dbl>, Office <dbl>,
## #
       Production <dbl>, Drive <dbl>, Carpool <dbl>, Transit <dbl>,
## #
       OtherTransp <dbl>, WorkAtHome <dbl>, MeanCommute <dbl>, Employed <dbl>,
      PrivateWork <dbl>, SelfEmployed <dbl>, FamilyWork <dbl>, Unemployment <dbl>
## #
```

13) From the first principle component, the three features that have the largest absolute values for principle component are: IncomePerCap, Income, and ChildPoverty (for county); and the same for sub-county. Minority, Poverty, ChildPoverty, Professional, Service, Drive, OtherTransp, WorkAtHome, MeanCommute, Employed, SelfEmployed, FamilyWork, and Unemployment all have opposite signs.

```
# 13
numericcensus.ct=select(ungroup(census.ct), -State, -County)
ct.pc=prcomp(scale(numericcensus.ct))
ct.pc2=ct.pc$rotation[,c(1,2)]
ct.pc2
##
                             PC1
                                          PC2
## TotalPop
                    0.082956993 -0.191690230
## Men
                    0.002298384 0.178560146
## Minority
                   -0.187712295 -0.074083164
                   -0.025016336 0.115116080
## Citizen
## Income
                    0.340954419 -0.162191758
## IncomeErr
                    0.197996494 -0.212660726
## IncomePerCap
                    0.367811444 -0.086233331
## IncomePerCapErr
                    0.216814369 -0.093489509
## Poverty
                   -0.336766254 0.023301745
## ChildPoverty
                   -0.341416433
                                 0.008132606
## Professional
                    0.271781737
                                 0.053960768
## Service
                   -0.175454443 0.039398090
## Office
                   -0.003999597 -0.286046143
## Production
                   -0.144894212 -0.092577866
## Drive
                   -0.111256279 -0.284989906
## Carpool
                   -0.078333721 0.060208311
## Transit
                    0.099178191 -0.116944274
## OtherTransp
                    0.003309337
                                 0.092775111
## WorkAtHome
                    0.175133040 0.366615567
## MeanCommute
                   -0.053947922 -0.248831313
## Employed
                    0.332432299 -0.018674046
## PrivateWork
                    0.051782145 -0.403078434
## SelfEmployed
                    0.088996938 0.416458494
## FamilyWork
                    0.042840553 0.284131135
## Unemployment
                   -0.281027637 -0.094958643
numericcensus.subct=select(ungroup(census.subct), -County , -State)
subct.pc=prcomp(scale(numericcensus.subct))
subct.pc2=ct.pc\frac{1}{2}rotation\frac{1}{2}c\frac{1}{2}
subct.pc2
##
                             PC1
                                          PC2
                    0.082956993 -0.191690230
## TotalPop
## Men
                    0.002298384 0.178560146
                   -0.187712295 -0.074083164
## Minority
## Citizen
                   -0.025016336 0.115116080
## Income
                    0.340954419 -0.162191758
## IncomeErr
                    0.197996494 -0.212660726
## IncomePerCap
                    0.367811444 -0.086233331
## IncomePerCapErr 0.216814369 -0.093489509
```

0.023301745

Poverty

ChildPoverty

-0.336766254

-0.341416433 0.008132606

```
## Professional
                    0.271781737 0.053960768
## Service
                                 0.039398090
                   -0.175454443
                   -0.003999597 -0.286046143
## Office
## Production
                   -0.144894212 -0.092577866
## Drive
                   -0.111256279 -0.284989906
## Carpool
                   -0.078333721 0.060208311
## Transit
                    0.099178191 -0.116944274
## OtherTransp
                    0.003309337
                                 0.092775111
## WorkAtHome
                    0.175133040
                                 0.366615567
## MeanCommute
                   -0.053947922 -0.248831313
## Employed
                    0.332432299 -0.018674046
## PrivateWork
                    0.051782145 -0.403078434
## SelfEmployed
                    0.088996938 0.416458494
## FamilyWork
                    0.042840553
                                0.284131135
## Unemployment
                   -0.281027637 -0.094958643
```

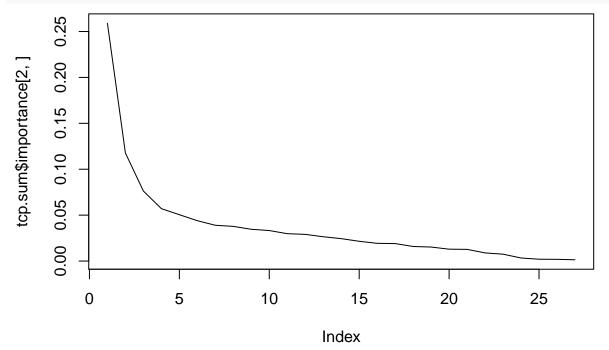
14) I count 12 FALSE and 13 TRUE for numericcensus.ct and 15 FALSE and 11 TRUE for numericcensus.subct, and that should tell us how many principal components are needed to capture 90% of the variance.

```
# 14
tcp <- prcomp(numericcensus.ct[-1], center = T , scale. = T)</pre>
tcp.sum <- summary(tcp)</pre>
tcp.sum$importance[3,] >= .9
##
     PC1
            PC2
                   PC3
                          PC4
                                PC5
                                       PC6
                                              PC7
                                                     PC8
                                                            PC9
                                                                 PC10
                                                                        PC11
                                                                               PC12
                                                                                      PC13
## FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE
                                                                FALSE FALSE FALSE
                                                                                     TRUE
          PC15
    PC14
                 PC16
                       PC17
                               PC18
                                      PC19
                                             PC20
                                                    PC21
                                                                 PC23
                                                                        PC24
                                                          PC22
    TRUE
           TRUE
                  TRUE
                        TRUE
                               TRUE
                                      TRUE
                                             TRUE
                                                    TRUE
                                                          TRUE
                                                                 TRUE
                                                                        TRUE
plot(tcp.sum$importance[2,], type="1")
       0.25
tcp.sum$importance[2, ]
       0.20
       0.15
       0.10
       0.05
       0.00
                            5
                                            10
                                                            15
                                                                             20
                                                  Index
```

tcp <- prcomp(numericcensus.subct[-1], center = T , scale. = T)</pre>

tcp.sum <- summary(tcp)</pre>

```
tcp.sum$importance[3,] >= .9
    PC1
          PC2
                PC3
                      PC4
                            PC5
                                  PC6
                                        PC7
                                              PC8
                                                    PC9
                                                         PC10
                                                               PC11
                                                                     PC12
                                                                          PC13
##
## FALSE FALSE
  PC14 PC15 PC16
                    PC17
                           PC18
                                 PC19
                                       PC20
                                             PC21
                                                   PC22
                                                         PC23
                                                               PC24
                                                                     PC25
                                                                           PC26
## FALSE FALSE TRUE
                           TRUE
                                 TRUE
                                       TRUE
                                             TRUE
                                                   TRUE
                                                         TRUE
                                                               TRUE
                                                                     TRUE
                                                                           TRUE
##
  PC27
  TRUE
##
plot(tcp.sum$importance[2,], type="1")
```



15) Here is the model for San Mateo

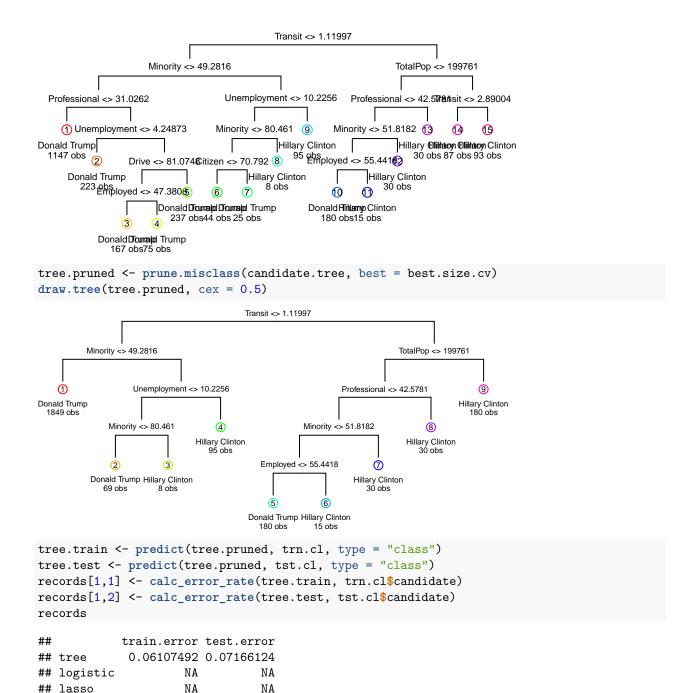
```
# 15
cpa <- prcomp(census.ct[,c(-1,-2)], scale. = T, center = T)
dist.cpa <- dist(cpa$x, method = "euclidean")</pre>
hc.c.all <- hclust(dist.cpa, method = "complete")</pre>
pca <- cutree(hc.c.all, k = 10)</pre>
cp5 <- prcomp(census.ct[,c(-1,-2)], scale. = T, center = T)
dist.cp5 <- dist(cp5\$x[,c(1:2)], method = "euclidean")</pre>
hc.c.5 <- hclust(dist.cp5, method = "complete")</pre>
partition.c.5 <- cutree(hc.c.5, k = 10)
psm.all <- (cpa$x %*% cpa$rotation) %*% t(cpa$rotation)
psm.all <- as.data.frame(cbind(psm.all,pca))</pre>
acall <-
  as.matrix(rbind(colMeans(census.ct[which(psm.all$pca ==
  pca[which(census.ct[,2] == "San Mateo")]),][-c(1,2)]),
  colMeans(census.ct[-c(1,2)]))
Average <- c("San Mateo Cluster", " Total")
acall <- as.data.frame(cbind(Average , acall))</pre>
```

```
psm.5 <- (cp5$x %*% cp5$rotation) %*% t(cp5$rotation)
psm.5 <- as.data.frame(cbind(psm.5, partition.c.5))
ac5 <-
  as.matrix(rbind(colMeans(census.ct[which(psm.5$partition.c.5 ==
  partition.c.5[which(census.ct[,2] == "San Mateo")]),][-c(1,2)]),
  colMeans(census.ct[-c(1,2)])))
ac5 <- as.data.frame(cbind(Average , ac5))</pre>
acall
##
                               TotalPop
               Average
                                                      Men
                                                                  Minority
## 1 San Mateo Cluster 644084.844444444 48.9612773922446 38.0631892110413
                 Total 99068.5966438782 49.9537311831876 22.6687728423035
##
              Citizen
                                Income
                                               IncomeErr
                                                             IncomePerCap
## 1 68.3341259824253 94010.9499792061 13783.9593490511 44077.2477186096
     74.675072588377 47221.7002616651 7081.75813224634 24000.7488885814
      IncomePerCapErr
                               Poverty
                                           ChildPoverty
                                                             Professional
## 1 5600.71539384471 9.41529570040947 11.4339930459409 48.8651848382481
## 2 3120.46035313414 17.5706570229159 23.8336932248276 30.8004060227024
              Service
                                Office
                                             Production
                                                                    Drive
## 1 16.0464520538116
                        22.09027495994 6.8603955618439 67.7241216419104
     18.472858282297 22.1830928074174 15.8060173865796 79.1462674727629
##
                                Transit
                                              OtherTransp
                                                                WorkAtHome
              Carpool
## 1 8.55244245336479 12.8722225189201 1.87297397721839 5.44253614186442
## 2 10.3194871134777 0.989733401044941 1.62516443074591 4.60507443307083
          MeanCommute
                              Employed
                                            PrivateWork
                                                             SelfEmployed
## 1 31.4541257473991 51.0486964782138 77.1783898547935 5.81303108269043
## 2 23.3134361924172 43.0247144453537 74.183032238375 7.9164536646503
            FamilvWork
                           Unemployment
## 1 0.128536340131728 6.89145909506166
## 2 0.287330219645564 8.15706443334943
ac5
##
               Average
                               TotalPop
                                                      Men
                                                                  Minority
## 1 San Mateo Cluster 625849.078947368 49.1084530855665 30.8991961185339
## 2
                 Total 99068.5966438782 49.9537311831876 22.6687728423035
##
              Citizen
                                Income
                                               IncomeErr
                                                             IncomePerCap
## 1 68.7299570850578 98745.3032057856 14436.0581973632 47613.8830317222
     74.675072588377 47221.7002616651 7081.75813224634 24000.7488885814
      IncomePerCapErr
                               Poverty
                                           ChildPoverty
## 1 6331.33075172364 7.54169673679544 8.71351745420431 51.4006161484117
## 2 3120.46035313414 17.5706570229159 23.8336932248276 30.8004060227024
              Service
                                Office
                                             Production
## 1 14.6141823950696 22.2957872852996 6.00811108009643 69.4862453375363
     18.472858282297 22.1830928074174 15.8060173865796 79.1462674727629
              Carpool
                                Transit
                                              OtherTransp
                                                                WorkAtHome
## 1 7.65060024649833
                      11.0895485917158 1.93415349024991 6.38112481935979
## 2 10.3194871134777 0.989733401044941 1.62516443074591 4.60507443307083
                              Employed
          MeanCommute
                                            PrivateWork
                                                             SelfEmployed
## 1 29.7472034804768 52.5944666486074 78.8336795248032 6.27143036435642
## 2 23.3134361924172 43.0247144453537 74.183032238375 7.9164536646503
                           Unemployment
            FamilyWork
```

1 0.13124711210741 5.93870316509058 ## 2 0.287330219645564 8.15706443334943

```
mutate(state = state.name[match(state, state.abb)]) %>%
  mutate_at(vars(state, county), tolower) %>%
  mutate(county = gsub(" county| columbia| city| parish", "", county))
tmpcensus <- census.ct %>% mutate_at(vars(State, County), tolower)
election.cl <- tmpwinner %>%
  left_join(tmpcensus, by = c("state"="State", "county"="County")) %>%
  na.omit
election.meta <- election.cl %>% select(c(county, fips, state, votes, pct, total))
election.cl = election.cl %>% select(-c(county, fips, state, votes, pct, total))
set.seed(10)
n <- nrow(election.cl)</pre>
in.trn <- sample.int(n, 0.8*n)</pre>
trn.cl <- election.cl[ in.trn,]</pre>
tst.cl <- election.cl[-in.trn,]</pre>
set.seed(20)
nfold <- 10
folds <- sample(cut(1:nrow(trn.cl), breaks=nfold, labels=FALSE))</pre>
calc_error_rate = function(predicted.value, true.value){
 return(mean(true.value!=predicted.value))
}
# this adjustment is for later... just bear with me (it's number 20)
records = matrix(NA, nrow=5, ncol=2)
colnames(records) = c("train.error", "test.error")
rownames(records) = c("tree","logistic","lasso","knn","lda")
 16) From what I can gather from this tree, Transit, Minority, TotalPop, Professional, and Income are the
     best predictors for this decision tree. As the story goes, while the professionals
# 16
library(tree)
## Registered S3 method overwritten by 'tree':
##
     method
                 from
     print.tree cli
library(maptree)
## Loading required package: cluster
## Loading required package: rpart
candidate.tree <- tree(candidate ~ ., data = trn.cl)</pre>
cv <- cv.tree(candidate.tree, rand = folds, FUN = prune.misclass, K = nfold)</pre>
min.dev <- min(cv$dev)</pre>
best.size.cv <- cv$size[which(cv$dev == min.dev)]</pre>
draw.tree(candidate.tree, cex = 0.55)
```

tmpwinner <- county_winner %>% ungroup %>%



17) See below for the significant variables. No, this isn't entirely consistent with what we got out of the decision tree model. One of the variables that is rated differently is TotalPop, and I think it has to do with the fact that a decision tree might not be the best model in extrapolating insights for a variable concerning the entire populace and not just a segment of it.

```
# 17
logmodel <- glm(candidate ~ ., data = trn.cl, family = "binomial")</pre>
```

Warning: glm.fit: fitted probabilities numerically 0 or 1 occurred

NA

NA

NA

NA

knn

lda

```
summary(logmodel)
##
## Call:
## glm(formula = candidate ~ ., family = "binomial", data = trn.cl)
## Deviance Residuals:
##
      Min
                1Q
                     Median
                                          Max
## -4.2217 -0.2540 -0.1072 -0.0373
                                       3.5503
##
## Coefficients:
                    Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
##
## (Intercept)
                   -4.369e+01 7.271e+00 -6.009 1.86e-09 ***
## TotalPop
                   2.723e-07
                              4.170e-07
                                          0.653 0.513760
## Men
                   6.488e-02 4.736e-02
                                          1.370 0.170700
## Minority
                   1.363e-01 9.687e-03 14.066 < 2e-16 ***
## Citizen
                   1.356e-01 2.787e-02
                                          4.866 1.14e-06 ***
## Income
                   -6.370e-05 2.598e-05
                                         -2.452 0.014195 *
## IncomeErr
                  -1.231e-05 6.161e-05 -0.200 0.841683
## IncomePerCap
                   2.172e-04 6.286e-05
                                          3.455 0.000551 ***
## IncomePerCapErr -2.817e-04 1.319e-04 -2.137 0.032612 *
## Poverty
                   4.061e-02 4.074e-02
                                          0.997 0.318861
## ChildPoverty
                   -9.712e-03 2.461e-02 -0.395 0.693093
## Professional
                   2.887e-01 3.855e-02
                                         7.490 6.87e-14 ***
## Service
                   3.311e-01 4.775e-02
                                          6.935 4.07e-12 ***
## Office
                   8.651e-02 4.565e-02
                                          1.895 0.058118 .
## Production
                   1.519e-01 4.109e-02
                                          3.697 0.000218 ***
                  -1.848e-01 4.653e-02 -3.971 7.14e-05 ***
## Drive
## Carpool
                  -1.373e-01 5.811e-02 -2.363 0.018146 *
## Transit
                   1.330e-01 9.323e-02
                                          1.426 0.153825
## OtherTransp
                  -4.851e-02 9.462e-02 -0.513 0.608154
                   -1.705e-01 7.440e-02 -2.292 0.021885 *
## WorkAtHome
## MeanCommute
                   3.966e-02 2.381e-02
                                          1.665 0.095830 .
## Employed
                   1.952e-01 3.307e-02
                                          5.903 3.57e-09 ***
## PrivateWork
                   1.133e-01 2.133e-02
                                          5.313 1.08e-07 ***
## SelfEmployed
                   5.923e-02 4.635e-02
                                          1.278 0.201314
## FamilyWork
                   -8.196e-01 3.877e-01 -2.114 0.034526 *
## Unemployment
                   2.187e-01 4.005e-02
                                          5.461 4.73e-08 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## (Dispersion parameter for binomial family taken to be 1)
##
##
       Null deviance: 2122.94 on 2455 degrees of freedom
## Residual deviance: 847.56 on 2430 degrees of freedom
## AIC: 899.56
##
## Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 7
logpred <- predict(logmodel, trn.cl, type = "response")</pre>
trn.cl <- trn.cl %>% mutate(candidate = as.factor(ifelse(candidate == "Donald Trump",
                          "Donald Trump", "Hillary Clinton")))
library(ROCR)
```

```
##
## Attaching package: 'gplots'
## The following object is masked from 'package:stats':
##
##
       lowess
logprediction <- prediction(logpred, trn.cl$candidate)</pre>
fpr.train = performance(logprediction, "fpr")@y.values[[1]]
cutoff.train <- performance(logprediction, "fpr")@x.values[[1]]</pre>
fnr.train <- performance(logprediction, "fnr")@y.values[[1]]</pre>
train.rate <- as.data.frame(cbind(Cutoff = cutoff.train, FPR = fpr.train, FNR =
                                     fnr.train))
train.rate$distance <- sqrt((train.rate[,2]^2) + (train.rate[,3])^2)</pre>
index = which.min(train.rate$distance)
best = train.rate$Cutoff[index]
trn.cl.pred <- trn.cl %>% mutate(predCandidate =
as.factor(ifelse(logpred <= best, "Donald Trump", "Hillary Clinton")))</pre>
trainerror <- calc error rate(trn.cl.pred$candidate,
                                          trn.cl.pred$predCandidate)
logistic.test.predict <- predict(logmodel, tst.cl, type = "response")</pre>
tst.cl <- tst.cl %>% mutate(candidate = as.factor(ifelse(candidate == "Donald Trump",
                             "Donald Trump", "Hillary Clinton")))
tst.cl.pred <- tst.cl %>% mutate(predCandidate =
as.factor(ifelse(logistic.test.predict <= best, "Donald Trump", "Hillary Clinton")))
testerror <- calc_error_rate(tst.cl.pred$candidate,</pre>
                                         tst.cl.pred$predCandidate)
records[2,1] = trainerror
records[2,2] = testerror
records
##
            train.error test.error
## tree
            0.06107492 0.07166124
## logistic 0.10504886 0.10749186
## lasso
                      NA
## knn
                      NΑ
                                 NΑ
## lda
                      NA
                                 NA
 18) The optimal value of lambda is .001, and its non-zero coefficients are as listed below in the output.
# 18
library(glmnet)
```

Loading required package: gplots

```
## Loading required package: Matrix
## Loaded glmnet 3.0-2
trn.cl = na.omit(trn.cl)
x=model.matrix(candidate~., election.cl)[,-1]
y1=trn.cl$candidate
y2=tst.cl$candidate
ychar=as.character(election.cl$candidate)
grid=c(1,5,10,50) * 1e-4
cvlasso = cv.glmnet(x[in.trn,], ychar[in.trn], lambda=grid,
                   alpha=1, family='binomial', foldid=folds)
bestlambda = cvlasso$lambda.min
bestlambda
## [1] 5e-04
model = glmnet(x[in.trn,], ychar[in.trn], alpha=1, family='binomial')
lassocoef = predict(model, type='coefficients', s=bestlambda)
lassocoef
## 26 x 1 sparse Matrix of class "dgCMatrix"
## (Intercept)
                  -4.134967e+01
## TotalPop
                   3.181848e-07
## Men
                   4.218882e-02
                  1.289709e-01
## Minority
                  1.407467e-01
## Citizen
## Income
                  -4.301211e-05
## IncomeErr
                 -1.229650e-05
## IncomePerCap
                   1.649208e-04
## IncomePerCapErr -2.042494e-04
## Poverty
                   3.077325e-02
## ChildPoverty
## Professional 2.582219e-01
                  2.985173e-01
## Service
## Office
                  5.644868e-02
## Production
                  1.202155e-01
## Drive
                  -1.556694e-01
## Carpool
                  -1.115773e-01
## Transit
                  1.423687e-01
## OtherTransp
                 -4.859619e-03
## WorkAtHome
                  -1.229121e-01
## MeanCommute
                  2.551169e-02
## Employed
                   1.860462e-01
## PrivateWork
                   1.061805e-01
## SelfEmployed
                   3.466455e-02
## FamilyWork
                  -6.924729e-01
## Unemployment
                   2.057937e-01
lassotrain = predict(model, s=bestlambda, newx=x[in.trn,], type='class')
lassotest = predict(model, s=bestlambda, newx=x[-in.trn,], type='class')
records[3,1] = calc_error_rate(lassotrain, y1)
records[3,2] = calc_error_rate(lassotest, y2)
records
```

```
## train.error test.error
## tree 0.06107492 0.07166124
## logistic 0.10504886 0.10749186
## lasso 0.06718241 0.06840391
## knn NA NA
## lda NA NA
```

19) Here, I wanted to test errors for Kth nearnest neighbor and linear discrimination analysis. As you can see, LDA outperforms both KNN and logistic regression, and thus should be considered a top candidate for model selection. While it does have the worst test error, it does train better than every other model, which can actually be really useful depending on what you are looking for. Thus, this concludes my 2016 elections analysis, and I would like to thank the professor for providing the requesite materials necessary to complete this project.

```
# 19
library(class)
k.test = c(1, seq(10, 50, length.out = 9))
do.chunk <- function(chunkid, folddef, Xdat, Ydat, k){</pre>
  train = (folddef!=chunkid)
  Xtr = Xdat[train,]
  Ytr = Ydat[train]
  Xvl = Xdat[!train,]
  Yvl = Ydat[!train]
  predYtr = knn(train = Xtr, test = Xtr, cl = Ytr, k = k)
  predYvl = knn(train = Xtr, test = Xvl, cl = Ytr, k = k)
  data.frame(train.error = calc_error_rate(predYtr, Ytr),
  val.error = calc_error_rate(predYvl, Yvl))
}
K_Errors <- tibble("K" = k.test, "AveTrnError" = NA, "AveTstError" = NA)</pre>
predictors <- select(trn.cl, -candidate)</pre>
for(i in 1:10){
  temp <- plyr::ldply(1:10, do.chunk, folds, predictors, trn.cl$candidate,
                     K Errors$K[i])
 K_Errors$AveTrnError[i] <- mean(temp[,1])</pre>
 K_Errors$AveTstError[i] <- mean(temp[,2])</pre>
}
pred.Train = knn(train=tst.cl[,2:26], test=tst.cl[,2:26],
                  cl=tst.cl$candidate, k=10)
erate.train <- calc_error_rate(pred.Train, trn.cl$candidate)</pre>
pred.Test = knn(train=trn.cl[,2:26], test=trn.cl[,2:26],
                 cl=trn.cl$candidate, k=10)
erate.test <- calc_error_rate(pred.Test, tst.cl$candidate)</pre>
records[4,] <- c(erate.train, erate.test)</pre>
tcl <- MASS::lda(candidate ~ . , data = trn.cl)
```

```
trainlda <- predict(tcl, trn.cl)$class

testlda <- predict(tcl, tst.cl)$class

records[5,1] <- calc_error_rate(trainlda, trn.cl$candidate)
records[5,2] <- calc_error_rate(testlda, tst.cl$candidate)
records</pre>
```

```
## train.error test.error
## tree 0.06107492 0.07166124
## logistic 0.10504886 0.10749186
## lasso 0.06718241 0.06840391
## knn 0.20114007 0.20399023
## lda 0.06718241 0.07003257
```