Section 5

Jensen 2003

Jensen is interested in the effect of regime type on foreign direct investment (FDI)

The design is a TSCS design using regression of 114 countries from 1970-1997.

He finds that "democratic political institutions are associated with higher levels of FDI inflows"

Is this a causal parameter? If not, what would we need to assume or do to make it a causal parameter?

How do we code effective samples?

- 1. We define our treatment variable and any pre-treatment controls or additional model terms
- 2. Run a regression of the treatment on the controls
- 3. Extract the residuals from that regression
- 4. Square the residuals.
- 5. Get the average of these residuals^2 for each country

Packages we'll need

```
library(tidyverse)
library(sf) # for mapping
library(patchwork)
```

For ease of use, we'll use the base lm() function to run the regressions. Why is that ok here?

Effective Weights as a function

```
effectiveWeights <- function(arg1, arg2, ...){
  # Make the OLS formula call

  # Run a regression of the treatment on the controls

  # Extract the residuals from that regression

  # Square the residuals.
}</pre>
```

Effective Weights as a function

Get our Data

```
world <- st_read("world_countries_boundary_file_world_2002.shp")</pre>
## Reading layer `world_countries_boundary_file_world_2002' from data source
    `/Users/alexstephenson/Desktop/github/BerkeleyAppliedCausalInference/course_materials/Sections/Sectio
    using driver `ESRI Shapefile'
##
## Simple feature collection with 211 features and 9 fields
## Geometry type: MULTIPOLYGON
## Dimension:
                  XΥ
## Bounding box: xmin: -180.0002 ymin: -90 xmax: 180 ymax: 83.62303
## CRS:
                  NA
mapnames <- read csv("mapnames filled2.csv")</pre>
jensenData <- read csv("jensenData.csv")</pre>
```

Calculate effective weights

Step 5: Average of residuals^2 for each country

```
df <- tibble(weight = w, country = jensenData$country)
weights <- df %>%
  group_by(country)%>%
  summarise(avg = round(mean(weight),4))
```

Apply our weights to our map

Make plots

```
ns <- ggplot(output)+
  geom_sf(aes(fill = expW))+
  scale_fill_gradient(low = "white", high = "black")+
  theme_void()+
  theme(legend.position = "none")+
  ggtitle("Nominal Sample")

es <- ggplot(output)+
  geom_sf(aes(fill = weight))+
  scale_fill_gradient(low = "white", high = "black")+
  theme_void()+
  theme(legend.position = "none")+
  ggtitle("Effective Sample")</pre>
```

Put our maps on the same plot

```
plots <- ns / es
plots + plot_annotation(
   title = "The difference between Effective and Nominal Samples"
)</pre>
```

Put our maps on the same plot

The difference between Effective and Nominal Samples

Nominal Sample



Effective Sample

