

# 7: Eksperimenter I

Videregående kvantitative metoder i studiet af politisk adfærd

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# Spørgsmål?

- introduktion til potential outcomes framework
- problemer ved ekstrapolation og modelafhængighed
- common support
- propensity score matching
- coarsened exact matching
- balance checks
- case: Ladd & Lenz (2009)

## Centrale tendenser i midterms:

- mere omfangsrig end estimeret
- stor grundighed i opgaveløsningen
- positivt: styr på fortolkninger, implementering i R
- negativt: lidt meget pensumrepetition ctr. overvejelser knyttet til problemstillingen

# Spørgsmål?



# Motiverende eksempel: NHIS ( $N \approx 18.600$ )

TABLE 1.1  
Health and demographic characteristics of insured and uninsured couples in the NHIS

	Husbands			Wives		
	Some HI (1)	No HI (2)	Difference (3)	Some HI (4)	No HI (5)	Difference (6)
A. Health						
Health index	4.01 [.93]	3.70 [1.01]	.31 (.03)	4.02 [.92]	3.62 [1.01]	.39 (.04)
B. Characteristics						
Nonwhite	.16	.17	-.01 (.01)	.15	.17	-.02 (.01)
Age	43.98	41.26	2.71 (.29)	42.24	39.62	2.62 (.30)
Education	14.31	11.56	2.74 (.10)	14.44	11.80	2.64 (.11)
Family size	3.50	3.98	-.47	3.49	3.93	-.42

To MIT-studerende, **Khuzdar** & **Maria**

$$Y_{1K} - Y_{0K} = 4 - 3 = 1 \quad (1)$$

$$Y_{1M} - Y_{0M} = 5 - 5 = 0 \quad (2)$$

Fuldt potential outcomes schedule:

	Khuzdar	Maria
$Y_{0i}$	3	5
$Y_{1i}$	4	5
$D_i$	1	0
$Y_i$	4	5
$Y_{1i} - Y_{0i}$	1	0

Observerede outcomes:

	Khuzdar	Maria
$Y_{0i}$	?	5
$Y_{1i}$	4	?

$$\rightarrow \bar{Y}_1 - \bar{Y}_0 = 4 - 5 = -1$$

Den direkte sammenligning afspejler både ATE hos de treatede + selection bias:

$$Y_K - Y_M = Y_{1K} - Y_{0M} \quad (3)$$

$$= Y_{1K} - Y_{0K} + Y_{0K} - Y_{0M} \quad (4)$$

$$= 1 + (-2) \quad (5)$$

$$= -1 \quad (6)$$

M. mere generel notation i GG:

$$E[Y_{1i}|D_i = 1] - E[Y_{0i}|D_i = 0] =$$

$$E[Y_{1i} - Y_{0i}|D_i = 1] + E[Y_{0i}|D_i = 1] - E[Y_{0i}|D_i = 0] \quad (7)$$

når treatment randomiseres er  $Y_{0i}$  uafhængig af  $D_i$ :

$$E[Y_{0i}|D_i = 1] - E[Y_{0i}|D_i = 0] = 0 \quad (8)$$

## Succesfuld randomisering kan efterprøves m. *balance tests*

TABLE 1.3  
Demographic characteristics and baseline health in the RAND HIE

	Means	Differences between plan groups			
	Catastrophic plan (1)	Deductible – catastrophic (2)	Coinurance – catastrophic (3)	Free – catastrophic (4)	Any insurance. catastrophic (5)
A. Demographic characteristics					
Female	.560	–.023 (.016)	–.025 (.015)	–.038 (.015)	–.030 (.013)
Nonwhite	.172	–.019 (.027)	–.027 (.025)	–.028 (.025)	–.025 (.022)
Age	32.4 [12.9]	.56 (.68)	.97 (.65)	.43 (.61)	.64 (.54)
Education	12.1 [2.9]	–.16 (.19)	–.06 (.19)	–.26 (.18)	–.17 (.16)
Family income	31,603 [18,148]	–2,104 (1,384)	970 (1,389)	–976 (1,345)	–654 (1,181)
Hospitalized last year	.115	.004	–.002	.001	.001

# Spørgsmål?



Gerber & Greens procedure:

»**First**, determine  $N$ , the number of subjects in your experiment, and  $m$ , the number of subjects who will be allocated to the treatment group. **Second**, set a random number 'seed' using a statistics package, so that your random numbers may be reproduced by anyone who cares to replicate your work. **Third**, generate a random number for each subject. **Fourth**, sort the subjects by the random numbers in ascending order. **Finally**, classify the first  $m$  observations as the treatment group.« (37)

# Spørgsmål?

To kritiske antagelser om potential outcomes:

- ① excludability
- ② non-interferens (SUTVA)

Ad (1):

Lad  $Y_i(z, d)$  være potential outcome for treatment assignment  $z_i = z$  og faktisk treatment status  $d_i = d$

Eksklusionsrestriktionsantagelsen:  $Y_i(1, d) = Y_i(0, d)$

Ad (2):

Lad  $Y_i(\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{d})$  være PO for  $Y_i$  for den fulde mængde af assignments og treatments

Under non-interferens:  $Y_i(\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{d}) = Y_i(z, d)$

# Spørgsmål?

**TABLE 2. Effects of Four Mail Treatments on Voter Turnout in the August 2006 Primary Election**

	Experimental Group				
	Control	Civic Duty	Hawthorne	Self	Neighbors
Percentage Voting	29.7%	31.5%	32.2%	34.5%	37.8%
N of Individuals	191,243	38,218	38,204	38,218	38,201

Neighbors mailing3 0 4 2 3 - 3

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Dear Registered Voter:

## WHAT IF YOUR NEIGHBORS KNEW WHETHER YOU VOTED?

Why do so many people fail to vote? We've been talking about the problem for years, but it only seems to get worse. This year, we're taking a new approach. We're sending this mailing to you and your neighbors to publicize who does and does not vote.

The chart shows the names of some of your neighbors, showing which have voted in the past. After the August 8 election, we intend to mail an updated chart. You and your neighbors will all know who voted and who did not.

## DO YOUR CIVIC DUTY — VOTE!

MAPLE DR	Aug 04	Nov 04	Aug 06
9995 JOSEPH JAMES SMITH	Voted	Voted	_____
9995 JENNIFER KAY SMITH		Voted	_____
9997 RICHARD B JACKSON		Voted	_____
9999 KATHY MARIE JACKSON		Voted	_____



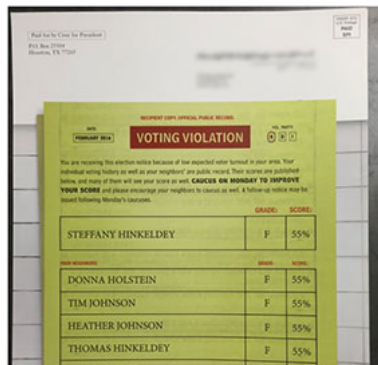


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Hey @tedcruz your brilliant public shaming campaign has inspired me to caucus on Monday...For @marcorubio



Næste gang:

- eksperimenter II
- fokus: cluster random assignment, covariate adjustment, noncompliance
- case: Gerber & Green (2000)

Tak for i dag!