## Combined notebook

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## 1 Combined notebook

## 1.1 Scraping 2018 Results

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In []: import numpy as np
        import pandas as pd
        import re
        import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
        %matplotlib inline
        import seaborn as snsplt
        from sklearn.linear_model import LogisticRegression
        from sklearn.cross_validation import train_test_split
        import os
        import matplotlib.cm
        from matplotlib.patches import Polygon
        from matplotlib.collections import PatchCollection
        from matplotlib.colors import Normalize
        import seaborn as sns
        from collections import Counter
        from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestClassifier
        from sklearn.datasets import make_classification
        from sklearn.metrics import accuracy_score
        from sklearn.ensemble import BaggingClassifier
        from sklearn import tree
        from sklearn import linear_model
        from sklearn.preprocessing import PolynomialFeatures
        from sklearn.linear_model import Lasso
        from sklearn.linear_model import RidgeCV
       from sklearn.linear_model import LassoCV
        from sklearn.linear_model import LinearRegression
        from sklearn import preprocessing
        from sklearn import linear_model
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from sklearn.linear_model import LogisticRegressionCV
                  import warnings
                  warnings.filterwarnings('ignore')
In [ ]: from bs4 import BeautifulSoup
                  import time
                  import requests
In [ ]: data_folder = "https://raw.githubusercontent.com/cdriscoll92/CS-109A-Final-Project/mas
                  local_data_folder = "/Users/colleendriscoll/Dropbox/Classes/CS 109A/CS 109A Final projections | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 
In [ ]: politico_url_front = "https://www.politico.com/election-results/2018/"
In [ ]: ## Reading in state abbreviations file to get the correct district ID columns
                  state_abbs = pd.read_csv(data_folder + "state_abbreviations_correspondence_table.csv")
                  ## Politico site formatting for names
                  states = list(state_abbs.state_name.str.lower().values)
                  states_lower = [x.replace(" ", "-") for x in states]
In [ ]: def BS_html_parsed_from_html(URL):
                           ## requires BeautifulSoup, time, requests
                           time.sleep(2)
                           bs_out = BeautifulSoup(requests.get(URL).text, "html.parser")
                           return(bs_out)
In [ ]: results_2018 = {'district': [],
                                                    'party': [],
                                                    'votes': []}
                  for i, abb in enumerate(state_abbs.state_abb):
                           state_url = politico_url_front + states_lower[i]
                           ## Get state page
                          BS_page_state_i = BS_html_parsed_from_html(state_url)
                           ## Figure out how many districts there are in the state
                           district_links = BS_page_state_i.findAll("div",\
                                                                                 {"class":"district-links"})
                           \#\# At-large districts don't have links and are referenced
                           ## differently from multi-district states
                           if len(district_links) >0:
                                    district_n = len(district_links[0].findAll("a"))
                                    districts_formatted = ['{num:02d}'.format(num=k) for k \
                                                                                in range(1, district_n+1)]
                           else:
                                    districts_formatted = ['00']
                           ## Get district tables
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dist_ids = [abb+"-"+dist_i for dist_i in districts_formatted]
            for district in dist_ids:
                ## Get the section on the page for this district
                district_html = BS_page_state_i.findAll("section",
                                                        {"id": district})
                ## Get the table where the results are
                results table = district html[0].findAll("tr")
                ## Table composed of headers and footers; only
                ## grab candidate/vote information
                last_candidate_index = len(results_table)-2
                for j in range(1, last_candidate_index):
                    ## Get party and number of votes for each cand.
                    party = results_table[j].find("td",
                                                   {"class":"party"})
                    votes = results_table[j].find("td",
                                                  {"class":"vote-count"})
                    ## Add these results to the results dictionary
                    results_2018['district'].append(district)
                    results_2018['party'].append(party.text)
                    results_2018['votes'].append(votes.text)
        results_2018_df = pd.DataFrame(results_2018)
        results_2018_df.to_csv(local_data_folder + "election_results/2018_scraped.csv")
In [ ]: ## Redistricting variable
In [ ]: redist_data_path = "/Users/colleendriscoll/Dropbox/Classes/CS 109A/CS 109A Final proje
        states_df = pd.read_csv(redist_data_apath + "FIPS.csv")
        states_df.head()
        state_names = list(map(lambda x : str.lower(x) , states_df.name.values))
        state_abbrs = list(states_df.abbr.values)
        state_fips = list(states_df.fips_code.values)
In []: def abbr for state(state name, state names, state_abbrs):
            try:
                i = state_names.index(state_name.lower())
            except ValueError:
                return None
            return state_abbrs[i]
        def dist_id_from_lewis(state_name, lewis_no, at_large="1"):
            result_state = abbr_for_state(state_name, state_names, state_abbrs)
            if lewis_no == 0:
                result_num = at_large
            else:
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No states have been redistricted to a single at large district since the 2000 census. So we will ignore at-large districts in order to further minimize errors in producing the data.

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In [ ]: district_hist_df = pd.read_csv(
            redist_data_path +
            "e6311_post1948-shapeless.csv"
        ).sort_values(by=['congress', 'year', 'state_name', 'lewis_dist'])
        # filter for date range
        years_min = 2000
        years max = 2017
        rows_in_years_range = (district_hist_df.year >= years_min) & (district_hist_df.year <=</pre>
        district_hist_df = district_hist_df[rows_in_years_range]
In [ ]: # ignore at-large districts
        district_hist_df = district_hist_df[district_hist_df.lewis_dist != 0]
In [ ]: LEWIS_MOD = 1000
        FIPS_MOD = 1000000000
        def abbr_from_fips(fips):
            try:
                i = state_fips.index(fips)
            except ValueError:
                return None
            return state_abbrs[i]
        def statename_from_fips(fips):
                i = state_fips.index(fips)
            except ValueError:
                return None
            return state_names[i]
        def dist_id_from_geomuid(geomuid, at_large="1"):
            lewis = geomuid % LEWIS_MOD
            if lewis == 0 and at_large != "0":
                lewis = at_large
            fips_code = int(geomuid / FIPS_MOD)
            return "{}_{:d}".format(abbr_from_fips(fips_code), int(lewis))
        def dists_from_geomuids(geomuids, at_large="1"):
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return np.array(list(map(lambda g : dist_id_from_geomuid(g, at_large), geomuids)))
        def get_all_year_dist(df):
            # obtain a table of all congressional contests
            years = df.year.values
            dist_ids = dists_from_geomuids(df.geom_uid)
            data = { 'year' : years, 'dist_id' : dist_ids }
            return pd.DataFrame(data)
        district_hist_df['dist_id'] = dists_from_geomuids(district_hist_df.geom_uid)
        all_possible = get_all_year_dist(district_hist_df)
In [ ]: congress_info = pd.read_csv("congress_numbers.csv")
In [ ]: CON_START_MOD = 1000000
        CON\_END\_MOD = 1000
        def election_year(congress_no):
            results = congress_info[congress_info.congress == congress_no].congressional_elect
            return results[0]
        def congress_no(year):
            return congress_info[(congress_info.start <= year) & (congress_info.end > year)].co
        def start_congress(geomuid):
            result = geomuid % FIPS_MOD
            result -= (result % CON_START_MOD)
            result /= CON_START_MOD
            return result
        def end_congress(geomuid):
            result = geomuid % CON_START_MOD
            result -= (result % CON_END_MOD)
            result /= CON_END_MOD
            return result
        def year_from_geomuid(geomuid):
            return election_year(start_congress(geomuid))
        texas_1_2004_ = 48109109001
        ("congress {}: {}".format(114, election_year(114)),
         "{}: congress # {}".format(2008, congress_no(2008)),
         "{}: congress # {}".format(2007, congress_no(2007)),
         "{}[{:011d}]: {}-{} congress, election year {}".format("Texas 1st District, 2004",
                                                                 texas_1_2004_,
                                                                 start_congress(texas_1_2004_),
                                                                 end_congress(texas_1_2004_),
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year_from_geomuid(texas_1_2004)
        )
In [ ]: def get_redistricting(df, geom_uid_col, ignore_years=[]):
            unique_districts = df[geom_uid_col].drop_duplicates().sort_values().values
            dist_id = dists_from_geomuids(unique_districts)
            get_years = np.vectorize(year_from_geomuid)
            years = get_years(unique_districts)
            redistricted = np.full(dist_id.shape[0], True, dtype=bool)
            data = {
                    'year' : years,
                    'dist_id' : dist_id,
                    'redistricted' : redistricted
                   }
            redist_df = pd.DataFrame(data)
            if len(ignore_years) > 0:
                redist_df = redist_df.loc[~redist_df.year.isin(ignore_years)]
            return redist_df
        redist_ = get_redistricting(district_hist_df, 'geom_uid', ignore_years=list(range(1990))
        print(redist_.shape)
In [ ]: # validate by getting redistricting counts by year
        def states_redistricting(df):
            get_state = lambda dist : dist[0:2]
            get_states_from_id = np.vectorize(get_state)
            states = get_states_from_id(df.dist_id.values)
            years = df.year.values
            data = {'year' : years, 'state' : states}
            return pd.DataFrame(data).drop_duplicates()
        df_states = states_redistricting(redist_)
        display(df_states.groupby(['year']).count())
        display(df_states.loc[df_states.year.isin([1998, 2000])].sort_values(['year', 'state']
        display(redist_.head())
In [ ]: def dists_for_state(state_abbr,dist_count):
            return ["{}_{}".format(state_abbr, c) for c in range(1, dist_count + 1)]
In [ ]: def latest_district_count(df, state_abbr):
            states = get_states_from_id(df.dist_id.values)
            state_i = states == state_abbr
            state_rows = df[state_i]
            latest_year = state_rows[state_rows.year == np.max(state_rows.year.values)]
            return latest_year.shape[0]
        def generate_redist_rows(state, year, dist_count, is_redist=True):
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dists.append("{}_{}".format(state, i))
            years = np.full(dist_count, year, dtype=int)
            redist = np.full(dist_count, is_redist, dtype=bool)
            data = { 'year' : years, 'dist_id' : dists, 'redistricted' : redist }
            return pd.DataFrame(data)
        def generate_redist_multi(state_tuples):
            df = None
            for st in state_tuples:
                result = generate_redist_rows(st[0], st[1], st[2])
                if df is None:
                    df = result
                else:
                    df = df.append(result)
            return df
        additional_redistricting = [("NC", 2016, 13),
                                    ("PA", 2018, 18),
                                    ("VA", 2016, 11)]
        redist_df = redist_.append(generate_redist_multi(additional_redistricting), sort=False
        redist_df.sort_values(['year', 'dist_id']).to_csv(redist_data_path + "redist_2000-2018
                                                           index=False)
1.2 Data Cleaning
In [ ]: ## Reading in state abbreviations file to get the correct district ID columns
        state_abbs = pd.read_csv(data_folder + "state_abbreviations_correspondence_table.csv")
In []: ## Grouping CLEA by district-year to get the
        ## democratic share of the two-party vote
        def group_to_D_vote(groupby_obj, democrat_code):
            ## Groupby object with "yr", "dist_id", "pty", ""
            years = []
            dist_ids = []
            dem_shares = []
            for name, group in groupby_obj:
                dem_share = 0
                years.append(group.yr.values[0])
                dist_ids.append(group.dist_id.values[0])
                if democrat_code in group.pty.values: ## If a Democrat ran
                    total_votes = np.sum(group.cv1.values)
                    dem_votes = np.sum(group.cv1[group.pty == democrat_code].values)
                    dem_share = dem_votes/total_votes
                dem_shares.append(dem_share)
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dists = []

for i in range(1, dist\_count + 1):

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dem_vote_share_dict = {'year': years,
                                   'dist_id': dist_ids,
                                   'dem_vote_share': dem_shares
            return(dem_vote_share_dict)
In []: def clea_clean(clea_file_name, state_abb_df):
            ## Read in data
            clea_results = pd.read_csv(clea_file_name)
            democrat_code = 180
            republican_code = 583
            election_month_int = 11
            ## Subsetting to only Democrats and Republicans
            clea_results = clea_results[(clea_results.pty == democrat_code) |
                                        (clea_results.pty == republican_code)]
            ## Only general elections (November)
            clea_results = clea_results[clea_results.mn == election_month_int]
            ## Extracting district number from constituency name
            ## There are some states with only one district that then don't
            ## have a district number listed -- therefore filling those NAs with 1s
            clea_results['dist_num'] = clea_results.cst_n.str.findall('[0-9]+').\
            str[0].fillna(1)
            ## Lowercase state name to match CLEA listing
            state_abb_df['state_name_lower'] = state_abb_df.state_name.str.lower()
            ## Merging CLEA with state abbrevation correspondence table
            clea_merged = pd.merge(clea_results, state_abb_df,
                                      how = 'right',
                                      left_on = 'sub',
                                      right_on = 'state_name_lower')
            ## Creating distict ID variable to merge on later
            clea_merged['dist_id'] = clea_merged['state_abb']+ "_" + \
            clea_merged['dist_num'].astype(str)
            ## Grouping CLEA by district-year to get the democratic share of the
            ## two-party vote
            grouped = clea_merged.groupby(['dist_id', 'yr'])
            dem_vote_share = pd.DataFrame(group_to_D_vote(grouped,
                                                         democrat_code))
            return dem_vote_share
In [ ]: clea_cleaned = clea_clean(data_folder + "election_results/clea_20180507.csv",
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state_abbs)
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In [ ]: results_2018_df = pd.read_csv(local_data_folder +
                                   "election_results/2018_scraped_cleaned.csv")
        grouped_2018 = results_2018_df.groupby(['dist_id', 'yr'])
        results_2018 = pd.DataFrame(group_to_D_vote(grouped_2018, "D"))
        election_results = pd.concat([clea_cleaned, results_2018],
                                     ignore index=True)
        ## Make sure that no observations were lost/added in the concatenation
        assert (len(clea_cleaned)+ len(results_2018) ==\
                len(election results)), \
        "Combined DataFrame not same length as two DFs combined"
In [ ]: def drop_secondary_members(nominate_df):
            ## Support function for NOMINATE cleaning
            ## Districts where there was more than one member of Congress serving,
            ## assign the one who voted the most number of times to the district
            multiple_member_districts = nominate_df.dist_id\
            [nominate_df.dist_id.duplicated()]
           nominate_df['main_member'] = 1
            for district in multiple_member_districts:
                member votes = nominate df.nominate number of votes\
                [nominate_df.dist_id == district]
                orders = np.argsort(member_votes)
                lowest_score_index = nominate_df['main_member']\
                [nominate_df.dist_id == district][orders == 0].index
                nominate_df.loc[lowest_score_index, 'main_member'] = 0
            ## Only keeping the main member in each district
            nominate_df = nominate_df[nominate_df.main_member == 1]
            nominate_df = nominate_df.drop(columns = ['main_member'], axis = 1,
                                           inplace = False)
            return nominate_df
In [ ]: def nominate scores clean(nom file name, cols keep):
            nominate scores = pd.read csv(nom file name)
            nominate_scores = nominate_scores[cols_keep]
            ## Dropping president
           nominate_scores = nominate_scores[nominate_scores['state_abbrev']\
                                              != "USA"]
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## Dropping members who didn't vote (they can't provide ideology measures then)
            missing_vote_num_indices = nominate_scores.nominate_number_of_votes.isna()\
            == True
            nominate_scores = nominate_scores[~missing_vote_num_indices]
            ## District ID column
            nominate_scores['dist_id'] = nominate_scores.state_abbrev + '_' + \
            nominate_scores.district_code.astype(str)
           nominate_scores = drop_secondary_members(nominate_scores)
            nominate_scores.drop('nominate_number_of_votes', axis = 1,
                                inplace = True)
            ## Election year during which this Congress was in session (not the one that
            ## produced this Congress!)
            session_length = 2
            congress_start_year = 1788
            nominate_scores['year'] = congress_start_year + session_length*\
            nominate_scores['congress']
            return nominate scores
In [ ]: nominate_csvs = os.listdir(local_data_folder + "nominate_scores")
        nominate_csvs_full = [local_data_folder + "nominate_scores/" + x \
                             for x in nominate_csvs]
In [ ]: nom_cols_keep = ['congress', 'icpsr', 'district_code',
                        'state_abbrev', 'party_code', 'bioname', 'born',
                        'nominate_dim1', 'nominate_dim2', 'nominate_number_of_votes',
                        'nokken_poole_dim1', 'nokken_poole_dim2']
In []: nom_combined = nominate_scores_clean(nominate_csvs_full[0],
                                        nom_cols_keep)
        for file_path in nominate_csvs_full[1:]:
            df = nominate_scores_clean(file_path, nom_cols_keep)
            nom_combined = nom_combined.append(df, ignore_index = True)
In [ ]: merged_elections_ideology = pd.merge(election_results, nom_combined, how = "left",
                                             on = ["year", "dist_id"])
        merged_elections_ideology['age'] = merged_elections_ideology['year'] - \
        merged_elections_ideology['born']
        merged_elections_ideology['dem_incumbent'] = 0
        merged_elections_ideology['dem_incumbent'] [merged_elections_ideology.party_code == 100]
        merged_elections_ideology = merged_elections_ideology.drop(\
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['district_code', 'state_abbrev', 'bioname', 'born', 'party_code'],
                                                                   axis = 1, inplace = False)
In [ ]: def lag_columns(df, by_cols, lag_cols, n_lag_terms):
            df.sort_values(by = by_cols,inplace=True)
            # 1) Create new columns
            new_col_names = [x+"_lag"+ str(i) for x in list(lag_cols) \
                             for i in range(1,n_lag_terms+1)]
            for new_col_name in new_col_names:
                df[new_col_name] = 'NaN'
           new_columns_dict = {x: [] for x in new_col_names}
            # Unique district IDs, for example
            groupby_values = df[by_cols[0]].unique()
            for val in groupby_values: ## in each district
                for lag_term in range(1, n_lag_terms+1): ## For each year lagged
                    ## Get the right column name -- matches the one above
                    new_col_name = lag_cols[0] + "_lag"+str(lag_term)
                    ## Shift values using pd.DataFrame.shift()
                    lagged_vals = df[df[by_cols[0]] == val][lag_cols[0]].shift(lag_term).value
                    ## Insert lagged values back into the main data frame
                    ## This is where the problem is
                    new_columns_dict[new_col_name].extend(lagged_vals)
            for key in new_columns_dict:
                df[key] = new_columns_dict[key]
            return(df)
In [ ]: ## Lagged vote share
        merged_elections_ideology = lag_columns(merged_elections_ideology,
                                                ['dist_id', 'year'],
                                                ['dem_vote_share'], 1)
        merged_elections_ideology = merged_elections_ideology.rename(
            columns={'dem_vote_share_lag1':'dem_prior_vote_share'})
In [ ]: ntl_df = pd.read_csv(local_data_folder + "national_government_makeup.csv")
        merged_elections_ideology = pd.merge(merged_elections_ideology, ntl_df,
                                             how = "left", on = "year")
        ## President = binary(0,1) = [Republican, Democrat]
        ## House, Senate = float(0,1) = proportion seats held by Democrats
In [ ]: ACS_data = pd.read_csv(local_data_folder + "ACS_2005_2017.csv")
        ## Scaling columns to be proportions, not absolute numbers
        columns_to_scale = ['bach_deg_num','black_pop','high_school_num','white_pop']
        new_column_names = ['bachelor_deg_perc', 'black_perc', 'HS_diploma_perc', 'white_perc']
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for i, colname in enumerate(columns_to_scale):
            ACS_data[new_column_names[i]] = ACS_data[colname]/ACS_data['total_pop']
        ACS_data = ACS_data.drop(columns_to_scale, axis = 1, inplace = False)
In [ ]: ACS_data = pd.merge(ACS_data, state_abbs[['state_name', 'state_abb']],
                           how = "left", on = "state_name")
In [ ]: ACS_data['dist_id'] = ACS_data['state_abb'] + "_"+ \
        ACS_data['district_num'].astype(str)
In [ ]: cols_to_drop = ['district_num', 'state_name', 'state_abb', 'total_pop']
        ACS data = ACS data.drop(cols to drop, axis = 1, inplace = False)
In []: ## Using earliest data (2017) to predict the 2018 election
        ## So for the merge to work, we have to recode the year of
        ## the 2017 data for 2018.
        ACS_data['year'][ACS_data.year == 2017] = 2018
In []: combined data = pd.merge(merged elections ideology, ACS data,
                                how = "left", on = ['dist_id', 'year'])
In [ ]: ## Dropping NAs
        combined_data = combined_data.dropna()
In [ ]: ## Redistricting variable
        def merge_redist(df, redist_df, year_col='year', dist_id_col='dist_id'):
           merged_df = df.merge(redist_df, on=(year_col, dist_id_col), how='left')
            merged_df.redistricted.fillna(0, inplace=True)
            return merged_df
        redist_df = pd.read_csv(local_data_folder + "redist_2000-2018.csv")
        combined_data = merge_redist(combined_data, redist_df)
In [ ]: combined_data.to_csv(local_data_folder + "combined_data.csv",
                             index=False)
1.3 EDA
In [ ]: combined_data = pd.read_csv(local_data_folder + "combined_data.csv")
In [ ]: violin_plot_vars = ['median_HH_income', 'median_age', 'mortgage_cost',
                            'unemp_rate', 'bachelor_deg_perc', 'black_perc',
                            'HS_diploma_perc', 'white_perc']
        years = combined_data.year.unique()
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col_n, row_n = 2,4
        fig, ax = plt.subplots(nrows=row_n, ncols=col_n, figsize=(5*col_n,5*row_n))
        fig.suptitle("Distribution of Predictor Variables Over Time, 2006 - 2018",
                    y = 0.95, fontsize = "xx-large")
        fig.subplots_adjust(left=None, bottom=None, right=None,
                             top=None, wspace=0.2, hspace=0.5)
        ax = ax.flatten()
        for i, var in enumerate(violin plot vars):
            medians = []
            medians_x = []
            for j, y in enumerate(years):
                violin_plot_data = combined_data[var][combined_data.year == y]
                medians_x.append(j)
                medians.append(np.median(violin_plot_data.values))
                ax[i].violinplot(violin_plot_data.values,
                                  positions = [j])
            ax[i].plot(medians_x, medians, "o-", label = "Median")
            ax[i].set_xticks([0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7])
            ax[i].set xticklabels(years)
            ax[i].set title(var)
            ax[i].set xlabel("Year")
            min_val = np.min(combined_data[var])
            max_val = np.max(combined_data[var])
            min_max_range = max_val - min_val
            ax[i].set_ylim(min_val - 0.05*min_max_range,
                          max_val + 0.2*min_max_range)
            ax[i].legend()
In [ ]: col_n, row_n = 3,3
        fig, ax = plt.subplots(nrows=row_n, ncols=col_n, figsize=(5*col_n,5*row_n))
        fig.suptitle("Histogram of Election Winners by Margin of Victory, 2006 - 2018",
                    y = 0.95, fontsize = "xx-large")
        fig.subplots_adjust(left=None, bottom=None, right=None,
                             top=None, wspace=0.2, hspace=0.5)
        ax = ax.flatten()
        for i, year in enumerate(combined_data.year.unique()):
            histogram_values = combined_data.dem_vote_share[
                combined data.year == year].values
            republican_winners = [x \text{ for } x \text{ in histogram_values if } x < 0.5]
            democrat winners = [x \text{ for } x \text{ in histogram values if } x >= 0.5]
            ax[i].hist(republican_winners, color = "red",
                                    label = "Rep. winner")
            ax[i].hist(democrat_winners, color = "blue",
                                    label = "Dem. winner")
            ax[i].set_ylim(0, 65)
            ax[i].set_title(year)
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ax[i].set_xlabel("Margin of Victory")
ax[i].set_ylabel("Count of Districts")
ax[i].set_xticks([0, 0.25, 0.5, 0.75, 1])
ax[i].set_xticklabels(["R+100", "R+50", "Tie", "D+50", "D+100"])
ax[i].legend()
plt.show();
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## 1.4 Baseline model

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In []: # Fit logistic regression on training data
        ## Extracting 2016 data to use as training outcome
        results 2016 = combined data[combined data.year == 2016]
        [['dist_id', 'year', 'dem_vote_share']]
        results_2016.columns = ['dist_id', 'year', 'dem_vote_share_2016']
        results_2016['dem_won_2016'] = np.round(results_2016.dem_vote_share_2016)
        results_2016 = results_2016.drop('dem_vote_share_2016', axis = 1,
                                        inplace = False)
        train_data = combined_data[combined_data.year <2018]</pre>
        train_data = pd.merge(train_data, results_2016[['dist_id', 'dem_won_2016']],
                             how = "left", on = 'dist_id')
        results_2016 = train_data[train_data.year == 2016][['dist_id','dem_vote_share']]
        results_2016.columns = ['dist_id', 'dem_vote_share_2016']
        train_data = pd.merge(train_data, results_2016,
                             how = "left", on = "dist id")
        train_data = train_data.drop("dem_vote_share", axis = 1,
                                    inplace = False)
In [ ]: train_data.to_csv(local_data_folder + 'train_data.csv',
                         index = False)
In [ ]: ## Dropping unnecessary columns
        cols_to_drop_for_train = ['dist_id', 'congress', 'icpsr']
        # Fit logistic regression on training data
        data_to_fit_base = train_data.drop(cols_to_drop_for_train,
                                              axis = 1,
                                              inplace = False)
        data_to_fit_base = data_to_fit_base.dropna(inplace = False)
        data_to_fit_base.columns
In [ ]: ## TRAINING SETS
        x_train = data_to_fit_base
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y_train = x_train.dem_won_2016.values
In [ ]: logreg_base = LogisticRegression(C=100000)
        logreg_base.fit(x_train.dem_prior_vote_share.values.reshape(-1, 1),
                    y_train)
In [ ]: # Make Prediction and check the accuracy
        y_train_probs=(logreg_base.predict_proba(x_train.dem_prior_vote_share\
                                             .values.reshape(-1, 1))
        train_accuracy = logreg_base.score(x_train.dem_prior_vote_share\
                                       .values.reshape(-1, 1),
                                    y_train)*100
       print('Accuracy of baseline logistic regression classifier on train set: ',
              np.round(train_accuracy, 2), "%", sep = "")
In []: ## Test results
        y_test_continuous = combined_data[combined_data.year == 2018]['dem_vote_share']
        y_test = np.round(y_test_continuous, 0)
        x test = combined_data[combined_data.year == 2018]['dem_prior_vote_share']
        test_accuracy = logreg_base.score(x_test.values.reshape(-1, 1),
                                          y_test)*100
       print('Accuracy of baseline logistic regression classifier on test set: ',
              np.round(test_accuracy, 2), "%", sep = "")
        y_test_predict_probs=(logreg_base.predict_proba(x_test.values.reshape(-1, 1)))
        y_test_predict_bool = (logreg_base.predict(x_test.values.reshape(-1, 1)))
In [ ]: ## True outcomes:
        x_train_true = x_train['dem_prior_vote_share'].values
        y_train_true = x_train['dem_vote_share_2016'].values
       print(len(x_train_true) == len(y_train_true))
In []: # Plot predicted probabilities
        accurate = np.where(y_test_predict_bool == y_test.values)
        inaccurate = np.where(y_test_predict_bool != y_test.values)
        ## Data
        plt.plot(x_test.values[accurate],
                 y_test_continuous.values[accurate], "o",
                label = "Accurate")
        plt.plot(x_test.values[inaccurate],
                 y_test_continuous.values[inaccurate], "o",
                label = "Inaccurate")
        plt.plot(x_test.values[np.argsort(y_test_predict_probs[:,1])],
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y_test_predict_probs[:,1][np.argsort(y_test_predict_probs[:,1])],
                 '-',linewidth = 3, color = "k",
                 label='Predicted probabilities')
        ## 50% lines
        plt.axhline(0.5, linestyle = "--", color = "black")
        plt.axvline(0.5, linestyle = "--", color = "black")
        plt.xlabel('2016 Election Results')
        plt.ylabel('2018 Election Result\n(Actual and Predicted)')
       plt.title('Baseline Model:\nPredicted Probabilities of Democrat Winning, 2018')
       plt.xticks([0, 0.25, 0.5, 0.75, 1],
                  ["R+100", "R+50", "Tie", "D+50", "D+100"])
       plt.yticks([0, 0.25, 0.5, 0.75, 1],
                  ["R+100", "R+50", "Tie", "D+50", "D+100"])
       plt.xlim(-0.03, 1.03)
        plt.ylim(-0.03, 1.03)
       plt.legend(bbox_to_anchor=(1, 0.66))
       plt.show();
In []: ## Lowest former vote share that predicts Democrat wins
        left bound = 255
        right_bound = left_bound + 1
        y_test_predict_probs[:,1] [np.argsort(y_test_predict_probs[:,1])]
        print(x_test.values[np.argsort(y_test_predict_probs[:,1])][right_bound])
1.5 Further Analysis
In []: #Test Data = Data for year 2018
        testdata=comb_data[comb_data.year==2018]
        #Train Data = Data for years other than 2018
        traindata=comb data[comb data.year!=2018]
        testdata.shape, traindata.shape
In [ ]: #List of predictors we want to use
        predictors=['year','nokken_poole_dim1', 'nokken_poole_dim2', 'age',
                    'dem_incumbent', 'dem_prior_vote_share',
                    'president', 'house', 'senate', 'median_HH_income',
                    'median_age', 'mortgage_cost', 'unemp_rate',
                    'bachelor_deg_perc', 'black_perc',
                    'HS_diploma_perc', 'white_perc', 'redistricted']
        #Columns to drop in Xtest and Xtrain
        columns_to_drop=set(comb_data.columns) - set(predictors)
In [ ]: #Response Variable for test and train data sets = Democrat Vote Share
        ytest=testdata.dem_vote_share
        ytrain=traindata.dem_vote_share
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#Xdata for test and train data
        xtest=testdata.drop(columns_to_drop, axis=1, inplace = False)
        xtrain=traindata.drop(columns_to_drop, axis=1, inplace = False)
In [ ]: corr_table_cols_to_drop = ['dist_id', 'congress', 'icpsr',
                                   'nominate_dim1', 'nominate_dim2']
        corr_table_data = comb_data.drop(corr_table_cols_to_drop,
                                        axis = 1, inplace = False)
        ## Reordering columns
        corr_table_data = corr_table_data[['year', 'dem_vote_share',
                                            'dem_prior_vote_share',
                                            'dem_incumbent',
                                            'redistricted',
                                            'president', 'house',
                                            'senate', 'nokken_poole_dim1',
                                            'nokken_poole_dim2', 'age',
                                            'white_perc', 'black_perc',
                                            'HS_diploma_perc',
                                            'bachelor_deg_perc',
                                            'unemp_rate', 'mortgage_cost',
                                            'median_HH_income', 'median_age']]
In [ ]: mask = np.zeros_like(corr_table_data.corr(), dtype=np.bool)
        mask[np.triu_indices_from(mask)] = True
        # Set up the matplotlib figure
        f, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(15, 15))
        # Generate a custom diverging colormap
        cmap = sns.diverging_palette(220, 10, as_cmap=True)
        # Draw the heatmap with the mask and correct aspect ratio
        sns.heatmap(np.round(corr_table_data.corr(), 2),
                    mask=mask, cmap=cmap,
                    center=0,annot=True,
                    square=True,
                    linewidths=.5,
                    cbar_kws={"shrink": .5})
        ax.set_title('Correlation heatmap between predictors and \
        continuous outcome (`dem_vote_share`)')
        plt.show();
In [ ]: #Convert the dem_vote_share to binary output
        def get_binary(response):
            binary=[]
            for i in range(len(response)):
                if response.iloc[i] <0.5:</pre>
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out=0
                else:
                    out = 1
                binary.append(out)
            binary=pd.DataFrame(binary)
            return binary
In [ ]: #binary response data
        binarytest=get_binary(ytest)
        binarytrain=get_binary(ytrain)
In []: # Fit logistic regression on training data
        from sklearn.linear_model import LogisticRegression
        logreg1 = LogisticRegression( C=100000)
        logreg1.fit(xtrain, binarytrain)
        # Make Prediction and check the accuracy
        y test probs=(logreg1.predict proba(xtest))
        y_train_probs=(logreg1.predict_proba(xtrain))
        logreg1_testscore=logreg1.score(xtest, binarytest)
        logreg1_trainscore=logreg1.score(xtrain, binarytrain)
        print('Accuracy of logistic regression classifier on \
        train set: {0:.2f}%'.format(logreg1_trainscore*100))
        print('Accuracy of logistic regression classifier on \
        test set: {0:.2f}%'.format(logreg1_testscore*100))
In [ ]: scoretrain=[]
        scoretest=[]
        for i in range(1,25,2):
            RF1= RandomForestClassifier(max_depth=i, n_estimators=40)
           RF1.fit(xtrain, binarytrain)
            scoretrain.append(accuracy_score(binarytrain, RF1.predict(xtrain)))
            scoretest.append(accuracy_score(binarytest, RF1.predict(xtest)))
In []: plt.plot(range(1,25,2), scoretrain, 'o')
       plt.plot(range(1,25,2), scoretest,'o')
       plt.title("Test and Training accuracies as a function of tree depth")
       plt.xlabel("Tree Depth")
       plt.ylabel("Accuracy");
In [ ]: #The best tree depth = 3
        RF2= RandomForestClassifier(max_depth=15, n_estimators=40)
       RF2.fit(xtrain, binarytrain)
        y_predRF_train = RF2.predict(xtrain)
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y_predRF_test = RF2.predict(xtest)
        #Perfromance Evaluation
        trainRF_score = accuracy_score(binarytrain, y_predRF_train)
        testRF_score = accuracy_score(binarytest, y_predRF_test)
        print("Random Forest Accuracy, Training Set: {0:.2f}%".format(trainRF score*100))
        print("Random Forest Accuracy, Testing Set: {0:.2f}%".format(testRF_score*100))
In [ ]: #Bagging Classifier
        bag1 = BaggingClassifier(tree.DecisionTreeClassifier(random_state=1))
        bag1.fit(xtrain, binarytrain)
        bag1_trainscore=bag1.score(xtrain,binarytrain)
        bag1_testscore=bag1.score(xtest,binarytest)
        print("Bagging Accuracy, Training Set : {0:.2f}%"\
              .format(bag1_trainscore*100))
        print("Bagging Accuracy, Testing Set: {0:.2f}%"
              .format(bag1_testscore*100))
In [ ]: #Scale Data to have mean = 1 and std =1
        #Ridge regression on Scaled Data
        xtrain_scaled=pd.DataFrame(preprocessing.scale(xtrain))
        xtest_scaled=pd.DataFrame(preprocessing.scale(xtest))
        ridge1= linear_model.Ridge(alpha=0.5)
        ridge1.fit(xtrain,ytrain)
        ridge1_testpred=pd.Series(ridge1.predict(xtest))
        binarytest_ridgepred=get_binary(ridge1_testpred)
        ridge1_trainpred=pd.Series(ridge1.predict(xtrain))
        binarytrain_ridgepred=get_binary(ridge1_trainpred)
        ridge1_testscore=accuracy_score(binarytest_ridgepred,binarytest)
        ridge1_trainscore=accuracy_score(binarytrain_ridgepred,binarytrain)
        print("Ridge Accuracy, Training Set : {0:.2f}%"\
              .format(ridge1_trainscore*100))
        print("Ridge Accuracy, Testing Set: {0:.2f}%"\
              .format(ridge1_testscore*100))
In [ ]: #Logistic Regression with cross-validation and L1 regularization (Lasso)
        logregcv1 = LogisticRegressionCV(cv=5, penalty='11',
                                         solver='liblinear').fit(xtrain, binarytrain)
        logregcvlasso_testscore= logregcv1.score(xtest, binarytest)
        logregcvlasso_trainscore= logregcv1.score(xtrain, binarytrain)
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print("Lasso with CV Accuracy, Training Set : {0:.2f}%"\
              .format(logregcvlasso_trainscore*100))
        print("Lasso with CV Accuracy, Testing Set: {0:.2f}%"\
              .format(logregcvlasso_testscore*100))
In [ ]: #Logistic Regression with cross-validation and L2 regularization (Ridge)
        logregcv2 = LogisticRegressionCV(cv=5, penalty='12').fit(\
            xtrain, binarytrain)
        logregcvridge_testscore= logregcv2.score(xtest, binarytest)
        logregcvridge_trainscore= logregcv2.score(xtrain, binarytrain)
        print("Ridge with CV Accuracy, Training Set : {0:.2f}%"\
              .format(logregcvridge trainscore*100))
        print("Ridge with CV Accuracy, Testing Set: {0:.2f}%"\
              .format(logregcvridge testscore*100))
In [ ]: accuracies_table = {'classifier':['Logistic Regression',
                                          'Logistic Regression with CV (Lasso)',
                                          'Logistic Regression with CV (Ridge)',
                                           'Linear Regression (Ridge)', 'Bagging',
                                          'Random Forest'],
                            'training accuracy': [logreg1_trainscore,
                                                  logregcvlasso_testscore,
                                                  logregcvridge_trainscore,
                                                 ridge1_trainscore,
                                                 bag1_trainscore,
                                                 trainRF_score],
                            'test accuracy':[logreg1_testscore,
                                             logregcvlasso_testscore,
                                             logregcvridge_testscore,
                                             ridge1 testscore,
                                             bag1 testscore,
                                             testRF_score]}
        accuracies_table_df = pd.DataFrame(accuracies_table)
        print("Summary of Models used:")
        accuracies table df
In [ ]: #Add Interaction Terms
        poly = PolynomialFeatures(degree=3, interaction_only=False)
        xtrain_interact=poly.fit_transform(xtrain)
        xtest_interact=poly.fit_transform(xtest)
In [ ]: #Fit Logistic regression with interaction terms
        logreg2 = LogisticRegression(C=1)
        logreg2.fit(xtrain_interact, binarytrain)
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# Make Prediction and check the accuracy
        y_test_probs2=(logreg2.predict_proba(xtest_interact))
        y_train_probs2=(logreg2.predict_proba(xtrain_interact))
        logreg2_testscore=logreg2.score(xtest_interact, binarytest)
        logreg2 trainscore=logreg2.score(xtrain interact, binarytrain)
       print('Accuracy of logistic regression classifier on train set: {0:.2f}%'\
              .format(logreg2_trainscore*100))
        print('Accuracy of logistic regression classifier on test set: {0:.2f}%'\
              .format(logreg2_testscore*100))
In [ ]: ## Test results
       y_test_continuous = ytest
        y_test = binarytest[0].values
        y_test_predict_bool = (logreg2.predict(xtest_interact))
        y_test_predict_cont = (logreg2.predict_proba(xtest_interact))
        # Plot predicted probabilities
        accurate_indices = np.where(y_test_predict_bool == y_test)
        inaccurate_indices = np.where(y_test_predict_bool != y_test)
In [ ]: plot_cols = corr_table_data.columns.drop(['dem_vote_share', 'year',
                                                  'president', 'house', 'senate'])
In [ ]: col_n, row_n = 3,5
        fig, ax = plt.subplots(nrows=row_n, ncols=col_n, figsize=(5*col_n,5*row_n))
        fig.suptitle("2018 Predictions by Predictor Variable",
                    y = 0.91, fontsize = "xx-large")
        fig.subplots_adjust(left=None, bottom=None, right=None,
                            top=None, wspace=0.5, hspace=0.5)
        ax = ax.flatten()
        for i, col in enumerate(plot_cols):
            x_values = xtest[col].values
            ## Data
            ax[i].plot(x_values[accurate],
                     ytest.values[accurate], "o",
                    label = "Accurate")
            ax[i].plot(x_values[inaccurate],
                     ytest.values[inaccurate], "+",
                    label = "Inaccurate")
            ax[i].set title(col)
            ax[i].set_xlabel('Data Values')
            ax[i].set_ylabel('2018 Election Outcome (Observed)')
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ax[i].set_yticks([0, 0.25, 0.5, 0.75, 1])
ax[i].set_yticklabels(["R+100", "R+50", "Tie", "D+50", "D+100"])
ax[i].legend()
plt.show();
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