Application to 2016 Election Data

Load Data

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## SURVEY DATA (PEW)
### Load
###This needs to be loaded from dropbox/local not github bc it's too big
pew <- readRDS(paste0(path_data, "pew.rds"))</pre>
## AUXILIARY INFORMATION (CCES)
### Load
#This needs to be loaded from dropbox/local not github bc it's too big
cces <- readRDS(paste0(path_data, "cces.rds"))</pre>
### Drop invalid cases
cces <- cces %>%
    filter((CC16_401 == "I definitely voted in the General Election.") &
               !is.na(commonweight_vv_post))
## make recode_educ_white column
cces <- cces %>%
  mutate(recode_educ_white =
           factor(case_when(recode_race == "White" ~ as.character(recode_educ),
                            TRUE ~ "No Split"),
                  levels = c(levels(cces$recode_educ), "No Split")))
pew <- pew %>%
  mutate(recode educ white =
           factor(case_when(recode_race == "White" ~ as.character(recode_educ),
                             TRUE ~ "No Split"),
                  levels = c(levels(pew$recode_educ), "No Split")))
### Actual results
pres <- readRDS(paste0(path_data, "election.rds"))</pre>
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natl_margin <- pres %>%
    summarise(margin = (sum(demtotal) - sum(reptotal)) /
                   (sum(demtotal) + sum(reptotal))) %>%
    as.numeric()
natl_margin
## [1] 0.02325013
formula rake demos noeduc <- ~recode age bucket + recode female +
  recode_race + recode_region + recode_pid_3way
formula_rake_demos_weduc <- ~recode_age_bucket + recode_female +</pre>
  recode_race + recode_region + recode_educ + recode_pid_3way
formula_ps <- ~recode_age_3way + recode_female + recode_race +</pre>
    recode_region + recode_educ_3way + recode_pid_3way
formula_retrospective <- ~recode_age_bucket:recode_pid_3way +</pre>
  recode_female:recode_pid_3way+
    recode_race_educ_reg:recode_pid_3way
## Find Missing Strata
## Make "strata" variable in CCES and Pew
cces <- bind_cols(cces, cces %>%
                    unite("strata", all.vars(formula_ps), remove = FALSE) %>%
                    unite("strata wage", c(all.vars(formula ps), "recode age"),
                           remove = FALSE) %>%
                    select(strata, strata_wage))
pew <- bind_cols(pew, pew %>%
                    unite("strata", all.vars(formula_ps), remove = FALSE) %>%
                    unite("strata_wage", c(all.vars(formula_ps), "recode_age"),
                          remove = FALSE) %>%
                    select(strata, strata_wage))
missing strata <- unique(cces$strata)[!(unique(cces$strata) %in% unique(pew$strata))]
## recode missing age
pew$recode_age[is.na(pew$recode_age)] <- mean(pew$recode_age, na.rm = TRUE)</pre>
cces$recode_age[is.na(cces$recode_age)] <- mean(cces$recode_age, na.rm = TRUE)</pre>
### Make survey designs
## For Pew, since there are no design weights, assume SRS
pew_srs <- svydesign(ids = ~1, data = pew)</pre>
cces_awt <- svydesign(ids = ~1, weights = ~commonweight_vv_post, data = cces)</pre>
### Population targets
targets_rake_demos_noeduc <- create_targets(cces_awt, formula_rake_demos_noeduc)</pre>
targets_rake_demos_weduc <- create_targets(cces_awt, formula_rake_demos_weduc)</pre>
targets_retrospective <- create_targets(cces_awt, formula_retrospective)</pre>
## Raking on demographics, excluding education
rake_demos_noeduc <- calibrate(design = pew_srs,</pre>
                        formula = formula_rake_demos_noeduc,
                        population = targets_rake_demos_noeduc,
                        calfun = "raking")
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rake_demos_noeduc <- svydesign(~1, data = pew, weights = weights(rake_demos_noeduc))</pre>
## Raking on demographics, including education
rake demos weduc <- calibrate(design = pew srs,
                             formula = formula_rake_demos_weduc,
                             population = targets_rake_demos_weduc,
                             calfun = "raking")
rake_demos_weduc <- svydesign(~1, data = pew, weights = weights(rake_demos_weduc))</pre>
## Post-stratification
targets_ps <- svytable(formula = ~strata,</pre>
                      design = subset(cces_awt, !(strata %in% missing_strata)))
post_stratification <- postStratify(design = pew_srs,</pre>
                        strata = ~strata,
                        population = targets_ps)
post_stratification <- svydesign(~1, data = pew,</pre>
                                weights = weights(post_stratification))
## Retrospective weighting scheme
rake_retrospective <- calibrate(design = pew_srs,</pre>
                             formula = formula_retrospective,
                             population = targets_retrospective,
                             calfun = "raking",
                             force = TRUE)
## Warning in grake(mm, ww, calfun, bounds = bounds, population = population, :
## Failed to converge: eps=0.00688873036014645 in 51 iterations
rake_retrospective <- svydesign(~1, data = pew, weights = weights(rake_retrospective))
##### PUT FINAL KPOP CODE HERE
load("./cleaned data/Full SVD/weights_wPid_full.Rdata")
kpop <- svydesign(~1, data = pew, weights = wts_wPid[, "wtkbal_b.5x"])</pre>
kpop mf <- svydesign(~1, data = pew, weights = wts wPid[, "wtkbal mf b2x"])</pre>
margin_summary <- round(cbind(cces = svymean(formula_rake_demos_weduc, cces_awt),</pre>
                             unweighted = svymean(formula_rake_demos_weduc, pew_srs),
           rake_demos_noeduc = svymean(formula_rake_demos_weduc, rake_demos_noeduc),
           rake_demos_weduc = svymean(formula_rake_demos_weduc, rake_demos_weduc),
           post_stratification = svymean(formula_rake_demos_weduc, post_stratification),
           rake_retrospective = svymean(formula_rake_demos_weduc, rake_retrospective),
           kpop = svymean(formula_rake_demos_weduc, kpop),
           kpop mf = svymean(formula rake demos weduc, kpop mf)) * 100, 1) %>%
 data.frame() %>%
 rownames to column() %>%
 mutate(variable = case_when(str_detect(rowname, "age") ~ "4-way Age Bucket",
                            str_detect(rowname, "female") ~ "Gender",
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str_detect(rowname, "race") ~ "Race/Ethnicity",
                             str_detect(rowname, "region") ~ "Region",
                             str_detect(rowname, "educ") ~ "Education Level",
                             str_detect(rowname, "pid") ~ "Party Identification",
                             TRUE ~ "Empty"),
         level =
           gsub("recode_|age_bucket|female|race|region|educ|pid_3way", "", rowname)) %>%
  select(level, everything(), -rowname, -variable)
## Total missing strata
sum(cces$commonweight_vv_post[cces$strata %in% missing_strata])/sum(cces$commonweight_vv_post)
## [1] 0.08405765
round(cbind(cces = svymean(formula rake demos weduc, cces awt),
            not missing = svymean(formula rake demos weduc,
                                  subset(cces_awt, !(strata %in% missing_strata))),
            missing = svymean(formula_rake_demos_weduc,
                              subset(cces_awt, (strata %in% missing_strata)))) * 100, 1) %>%
  data.frame() %>%
  rownames_to_column() %>%
  mutate(variable = case_when(str_detect(rowname, "age") ~ "4-way Age Bucket",
                             str_detect(rowname, "female") ~ "Gender",
                             str_detect(rowname, "race") ~ "Race/Ethnicity",
                             str_detect(rowname, "region") ~ "Region",
                             str_detect(rowname, "educ") ~ "Education Level",
                             str_detect(rowname, "pid") ~ "Party Identification",
                             TRUE ~ "Empty"),
         level =
           gsub("recode_|age_bucket|female|race|region|educ|pid_3way", "", rowname)) %>%
  select(level, everything(), -rowname, -variable)
##
                     level cces not_missing missing
## 1
                  18 to 35 34.8
                                       37.6
                                                 4.0
## 2
                  36 to 50 22.6
                                       24.5
                                                2.0
                  51 to 64 28.9
## 3
                                       29.7
                                               20.6
## 4
                       65+ 13.7
                                        8.3
                                               73.4
                    Female 50.8
## 5
                                       50.8
                                               51.5
## 6
                      Male 49.2
                                       49.2
                                               48.5
## 7
                     Black 11.8
                                       11.5
                                               14.9
## 8
                  Hispanic 6.5
                                        6.2
                                               10.1
## 9
                     Other 6.8
                                        6.5
                                               10.3
## 10
                                       75.8
                                               64.8
                     White 74.9
## 11
                   Midwest 23.4
                                       23.2
                                               25.5
                                       19.3
                                               24.4
## 12
                 Northeast 19.7
## 13
                     South 35.5
                                       36.9
                                               19.9
## 14
                                       20.6
                                               30.2
                      West 21.4
## 15
                     No HS 6.8
                                        6.2
                                               13.2
## 16 High school graduate 30.6
                                       30.3
                                               32.9
## 17
              Some college 23.0
                                       23.5
                                               17.6
## 18
                                       10.8
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                    2-year 10.6
## 19
                    4-year 18.7
                                       19.0
                                               15.0
## 20
                 Post-grad 10.4
                                       10.1
                                               12.8
## 21
                       Dem 38.1
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                                               33.1
                                               32.0
## 22
                       Ind 32.5
                                       32.5
```

 $\label{thm:control} \mbox{Table 1: Marginal distribution, in precentage poitns, of important demographics under different weighting models. }$

	Target (CCES)	Unweighted Pew	Raking Demographics without Education	Raking Demographics with Education	Post- Stratification	Raking Retrospective	KPop	KPop Mean First
4-way Age Bucket								
18 to 35	34.8	43.7	34.8	34.8	35.4	34.8	34.4	34.8
36 to 50	22.6	32.6	22.6	22.6	26.7	22.6	23.6	22.6
51 to 64	28.9	21.0	28.9	28.9	29.7	28.9	29.5	28.9
65+	13.7	2.7	13.7	13.7	8.3	13.7	12.5	13.7
Gender								
Female	50.8	47.3	50.8	50.8	50.8	50.8	50.8	50.8
Male	49.2	52.7	49.2	49.2	49.2	49.2	49.2	49.2
Race/Ethnicity								
Black	11.8	8.9	11.8	11.8	11.5	13.4	11.7	11.8
Hispanic	6.5	7.6	6.5	6.5	6.2	6.5	5.9	6.5
Other	6.8	7.1	6.8	6.8	6.5	6.8	6.2	6.8
White	74.9	76.4	74.9	74.9	75.8	73.2	76.3	74.9
Region								
Midwest	23.4	22.3	23.4	23.4	23.2	24.7	23.6	23.4
Northeast	19.7	18.2	19.7	19.7	19.3	19.7	19.5	19.7
South	35.5	37.9	35.5	35.5	36.9	34.8	36.0	35.5
West	21.4	21.6	21.4	21.4	20.6	20.8	20.8	21.4
Education Level								
No HS	6.8	1.8	1.8	6.8	2.4	3.6	1.9	6.8
High school	30.6	19.7	21.5	30.6	28.8	29.4	31.2	30.6
Some college	23.0	16.7	17.7	23.0	24.5	23.0	24.4	23.0
2-year	10.6	11.3	10.6	10.6	9.5	11.7	10.9	10.6
4-year	18.7	28.6	26.2	18.7	22.2	20.2	20.3	18.7
Post-grad	10.4	21.9	22.3	10.4	12.6	12.2	11.3	10.4
Party Identification								
Dem	38.1	34.4	38.1	38.1	38.5	38.1	37.6	38.1
Ind	32.5	35.2	32.5	32.5	32.5	32.5	32.8	32.5
Rep	29.5	30.4	29.5	29.5	29.0	29.5	29.5	29.5

Note:

Cells present the precentage of the population represented by each variable level.

```
## 23
                       Rep 29.5
                                       29.0
                                                34.9
margin_summary_educ <- round(cbind(cces = svymean(~recode_educ_white, cces_awt),</pre>
                              unweighted = svymean(~recode_educ_white, pew_srs),
            rake_demos_noeduc = svymean(~recode_educ_white, rake_demos_noeduc),
            rake_demos_weduc = svymean(~recode_educ_white, rake_demos_weduc),
            post_stratification = svymean(~recode_educ_white, post_stratification),
            rake_retrospective = svymean(~recode_educ_white, rake_retrospective),
            kpop = svymean(~recode educ white, kpop),
            kpop_mf = svymean(~recode_educ_white, kpop_mf)) * 100, 1) %>%
  data.frame() %>%
  rownames_to_column() %>%
  mutate(variable = case_when(str_detect(rowname, "age") ~ "4-way Age Bucket",
                             str_detect(rowname, "female") ~ "Gender",
                             str_detect(rowname, "race") ~ "Race/Ethnicity",
                             str_detect(rowname, "region") ~ "Region",
                             str_detect(rowname, "educ") ~ "Education Level",
                             str_detect(rowname, "pid") ~ "Party Identification",
                             TRUE ~ "Empty"),
         level =
           gsub("recode_|age_bucket|female|race|region|educ|pid_3way|educ_3way|_white",
                "", rowname)) %>%
  select(level, everything(), -rowname, -variable)
## 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::lst(mean, median)
##
##
     # Using lambdas
##
     list(~ mean(., trim = .2), ~ median(., na.rm = TRUE))
## This warning is displayed once per session.
target_margin <- svycontrast(svymean(~recode_vote_2016, cces_awt, na.rm = TRUE),</pre>
                       vote_contrast)[1]
svymean(~recode_vote_2016, rake_demos_noeduc, deff = TRUE)
## Warning in svymean.survey.design2(~recode_vote_2016, rake_demos_noeduc, : Sample
## size greater than population size: are weights correctly scaled?
                                                SE DEff
##
                                   mean
## recode_vote_2016Democrat
                              0.5152342 0.0137716
## recode vote 20160ther
                              0.0610503 0.0068547
## recode_vote_2016Republican 0.4237155 0.0135460
comp_df <- data.frame(</pre>
    cces = svycontrast(svymean(~recode vote 2016,
                               cces_awt, na.rm = TRUE),
                       vote contrast),
   unweighted = svycontrast(svymean(~recode_vote_2016,
                                     pew_srs, na.rm = TRUE),
```

Table 2: Marginal distribution of education level for white voters under different weighting models.

	Target (CCES)	Unweighted Pew	Raking Demographics without Education	Raking Demographics with Education	Post- Stratification	Raking Retrospective	KPop	KPop Mean First
Education Level for Whit	e Voters							
No HS	4.6	1.1	1.1	4.5	1.8	3.0	1.2	4.8
High school	22.6	14.6	15.5	22.9	23.1	22.6	23.6	21.9
Some college	16.9	11.5	12.1	16.3	19.5	16.9	18.3	17.7
2-year	7.8	8.3	7.0	7.3	6.1	7.8	7.7	7.2
4-year	14.8	23.0	20.7	15.2	17.1	14.8	16.3	14.8
Post-grad	8.3	18.0	18.5	8.8	8.2	8.3	9.1	8.4
Error								
Mean Absolute Error	_	6.6	5.8	0.4	1.6	0.1	1.2	0.5

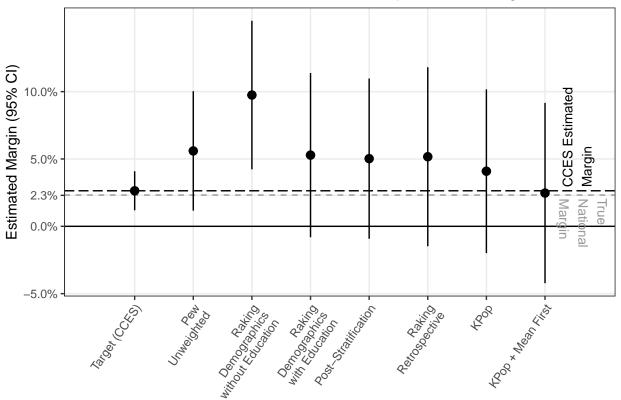
Note:

Cells present the precentage of the population represented by each variable level. Mean absolute error is the absoluate error in each cell, relative to the target (CCES), weighted by the education level's proportion among white voters in the target population.

```
vote_contrast),
rake_demos_noeduc = svycontrast(svymean(~recode_vote_2016,
                                        rake_demos_noeduc, na.rm = TRUE),
                    vote contrast),
rake_demos_weduc = svycontrast(svymean(~recode_vote_2016,
                                       rake_demos_weduc, na.rm = TRUE),
                    vote_contrast),
post_stratification = svycontrast(svymean(~recode_vote_2016,
                                          post_stratification, na.rm = TRUE),
                    vote contrast),
rake retrospective = svycontrast(svymean(~recode vote 2016,
                                         rake_retrospective, na.rm = TRUE),
                    vote_contrast),
kpop = svycontrast(svymean(~recode_vote_2016,
                           kpop, na.rm = TRUE),
                    vote_contrast),
kpop_mf = svycontrast(svymean(~recode_vote_2016,
                              kpop_mf, na.rm = TRUE),
                    vote_contrast)) %>%
pivot_longer(cols = everything(),
             names_to = c("source", ".value"),
             names_pattern = "(.*)\\.(.*)") %>%
rename(est = nlcon) %>%
mutate(est = est * 100,
       SE = SE * 100,
       err_target = est - target_margin * 100,
       source = str_replace(source, "_", " "),
```

```
## # A tibble: 8 x 5
##
     source
                          est
                                 SE err_target source_name
##
     <chr>
                        <dbl> <dbl>
                                         <dbl> <ord>
                                               "Target (CCES)"
## 1 cces
                         2.64 0.740
## 2 unweighted
                         5.60 2.26
                                         2.96 "Pew\nUnweighted"
## 3 rake demos_noeduc
                         9.75 2.81
                                         7.11 "Raking\nDemographics\nwithout Educ~
## 4 rake demos_weduc
                                         2.65 "Raking\nDemographics\nwith Educati~
                         5.29 3.11
## 5 post stratificati~
                                         2.39
                                               "Post-Stratification"
                         5.03 3.04
                                         2.53
                                               "Raking\nRetrospective"
## 6 rake retrospective
                         5.17 3.39
## 7 kpop
                         4.09 3.10
                                         1.45
                                               "KPop"
## 8 kpop mf
                         2.47 3.41
                                        -0.168 "KPop + Mean First"
```

Estimates of Clinton National Popular Vote Margin



ggsave("./plots/weighted_pew_results.pdf", width = 6, height = 4)

Note from survey package:

The design effect compares the variance of a mean or total to the variance from a study of the same size using simple random sampling without replacement. Note that the design effect will be incorrect if the weights have been rescaled so that they are not reciprocals of sampling probabilities. To obtain an estimate of the design effect comparing to simple random sampling with replacement, which does not have this requirement, use deff="replace". This with-replacement design effect is the square of Kish's "deft".

```
lapply(list(rake_demos_noeduc, rake_demos_weduc, post_stratification, rake_retrospective, kpop, kpop_mf
    function(x) {
        svymean(~recode_vote_2016, x, deff = "replace")
    })
```

```
## [[1]]
##
                                    mean
                                                SF.
                                                      DEff
## recode_vote_2016Democrat
                               0.5152342 0.0137716 1.5741
## recode_vote_20160ther
                               0.0610503 0.0068547 1.6992
## recode_vote_2016Republican 0.4237155 0.0135460 1.5578
##
##
  [[2]]
##
                                   mean
                                              SE
                                                    DEff
## recode_vote_2016Democrat
                               0.492440 0.015599 2.0182
  recode_vote_20160ther
                               0.064585 0.010645 3.8881
  recode_vote_2016Republican 0.442974 0.015397 1.9917
##
## [[3]]
##
                                                 SE
                                                      DEff
                                    mean
## recode_vote_2016Democrat
                               0.4951602 0.0146016 1.7681
## recode_vote_2016Other
                               0.0570701 0.0064833 1.6192
## recode vote 2016Republican 0.4477697 0.0147349 1.8202
##
## [[4]]
##
                                                 SE
                                                      DEff
                                    mean
## recode_vote_2016Democrat
                               0.4955713 0.0162761 2.1968
## recode vote 20160ther
                               0.0575692 0.0077328 2.2847
  recode_vote_2016Republican 0.4468595 0.0165905 2.3084
##
##
  [[5]]
##
                                    mean
                                                 SE
                                                      DEff
## recode_vote_2016Democrat
                               0.4911832 0.0149371 1.8507
  recode_vote_20160ther
                               0.0562514 0.0062328 1.5170
  recode_vote_2016Republican 0.4525654 0.0149954 1.8815
##
##
  [[6]]
##
                                              SE
                                                    DEff
                                   mean
## recode_vote_2016Democrat
                               0.482228 0.016914 2.3751
## recode_vote_20160ther
                               0.058803 0.010303 3.9758
## recode vote 2016Republican 0.458969 0.016838 2.3668
```