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 white_pid column
cces <- cces %>%
  mutate(recode_white_pid = case_when(recode_race == "White" ~ recode_pid_3way,
                                TRUE ~ "No Split"))
pew <- pew %>%
  mutate(recode_white_pid = case_when(recode_race == "White" ~ recode_pid_3way,
                                TRUE ~ "No Split"))
### Actual results
pres <- readRDS(paste0(path_data, "election.rds"))</pre>
natl_margin <- pres %>%
    summarise(margin = (sum(demtotal) - sum(reptotal)) /
                   (sum(demtotal) + sum(reptotal))) %>%
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as.numeric()
natl_margin
## [1] 0.02325013
formula_rake_demos_noeduc <- ~recode_age_bucket + recode_female + recode_race + recode_region + recode_
formula rake demos weduc <- ~recode age bucket + recode female + 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
#add interaction with pid
formula_retrospective <- ~recode_age_bucket:recode_pid_3way + 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>
## Warning in svydesign.default(ids = ~1, data = pew): No weights or probabilities
## supplied, assuming equal probability
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")
rake_demos_noeduc <- svydesign(~1, data = pew, weights = weights(rake_demos_noeduc))</pre>
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## Raking on demographics, including education
rake_demos_weduc <- calibrate(design = pew_srs,</pre>
                             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, 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, weights = weights(post_stratification))</pre>
## 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>
           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",
                            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)
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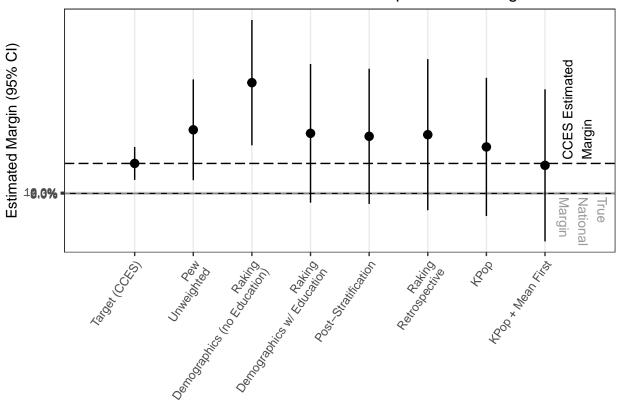
Table 1: Marginal distribution of important demographics under different weighting models.

	Target (CCES)	Raking Demographics No Education	Raking Demographics with Education	Post- Stratification	Raking Retrospective	Крор	Kpop Mean First
4-way Age Bucket							
18 to 35	34.8	34.8	34.8	35.4	34.8	34.4	34.8
36 to 50	22.6	22.6	22.6	26.7	22.6	23.6	22.6
51 to 64	28.9	28.9	28.9	29.7	28.9	29.5	28.9
65+	13.7	13.7	13.7	8.3	13.7	12.5	13.7
Gender							
Female	50.8	50.8	50.8	50.8	50.8	50.8	50.8
Male	49.2	49.2	49.2	49.2	49.2	49.2	49.2
Race/Ethnicity							
Black	11.8	11.8	11.8	11.5	13.4	11.7	11.8
Hispanic	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.2	6.5	5.9	6.5
Other	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.5	6.8	6.2	6.8
White	74.9	74.9	74.9	75.8	73.2	76.3	74.9
Region							
Midwest	23.4	23.4	23.4	23.2	24.7	23.6	23.4
Northeast	19.7	19.7	19.7	19.3	19.7	19.5	19.7
South	35.5	35.5	35.5	36.9	34.8	36.0	35.5
West	21.4	21.4	21.4	20.6	20.8	20.8	21.4
Education Level							
No HS	6.8	1.8	6.8	2.4	3.6	1.9	6.8
High school	30.6	21.5	30.6	28.8	29.4	31.2	30.6
Some college	23.0	17.7	23.0	24.5	23.0	24.4	23.0
2-year	10.6	10.6	10.6	9.5	11.7	10.9	10.6
4-year	18.7	26.2	18.7	22.2	20.2	20.3	18.7
Post-grad	10.4	22.3	10.4	12.6	12.2	11.3	10.4
Party Identification							
Dem	38.1	38.1	38.1	38.5	38.1	37.6	38.1
Ind	32.5	32.5	32.5	32.5	32.5	32.8	32.5
Rep	29.5	29.5	29.5	29.0	29.5	29.5	29.5

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target_margin <- svycontrast(svymean(~recode_vote_2016, cces_awt, na.rm = TRUE),</pre>
                       vote_contrast)[1]
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),
                        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, "_", " "),
           source_name = factor(source, labels = c("Target (CCES)",
                                              "KPop",
                                              "KPop + Mean First",
                                              "Post-Stratification",
                                              "Raking\nDemographics (no Education)",
                                              "Raking\nDemographics w/ Education",
                                              "Raking\nRetrospective",
                                              "Pew\nUnweighted"),
                           ordered = TRUE))
comp_df
## # A tibble: 8 x 5
##
   source
                           est
                                  SE err_target source_name
##
    <chr>
                         <dbl> <dbl>
                                          <dbl> <ord>
                          2.64 0.740
                                                "Target (CCES)"
## 1 cces
                                          0
## 2 unweighted
                         5.60 2.26
                                          2.96 "Pew\nUnweighted"
## 3 rake demos noeduc
                         9.75 2.81
                                          7.11 "Raking\nDemographics (no Educatio~
## 4 rake demos_weduc
                          5.29 3.11
                                          2.65 "Raking\nDemographics w/ Education"
## 5 post stratification 5.03 3.04
                                          2.39 "Post-Stratification"
## 6 rake retrospective 5.17 3.39
                                          2.53 "Raking\nRetrospective"
## 7 kpop
                          4.09 3.10
                                          1.45 "KPop"
                          2.47 3.41
                                         -0.168 "KPop + Mean First"
## 8 kpop mf
comp_df %>%
   ggplot() +
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aes(x = source_name, y = est, ymin = est - 1.96*SE, ymax = est + 1.96*SE) +
  geom_hline(yintercept = c(0, natl_margin, comp_df$est[comp_df$source == "cces"]),
             linetype = c("solid", "dashed", "longdash"),
             color = c("black", "gray60", "black")) +
  geom_pointrange() +
  scale_y_continuous(breaks = c(natl_margin, seq(-.05, .1, .05)),
                     minor_breaks = NULL,
                     labels = scales::percent_format()) +
 theme bw() +
 theme(plot.title = element_text(hjust = 0.5)) +
 labs(x = NULL, y = "Estimated Margin (95% CI)") +
  ggtitle("Estimates of Clinton National Popular Vote Margin") +
 theme(axis.text.x = element_text(angle = 55, hjust = 1)) +
  annotate(geom = "text", x = 8.65, y = natl_margin, label = " True\n National\n Margin", hjust = 0,
  annotate(geom = "text", x = 8.55, y = comp_df$est[comp_df$source == "cces"], label = " CCES Estimat
  theme(legend.title = element_blank()) +
scale_x_discrete(limits=comp_df$source_name, expand = expansion(0, 1.2))
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Estimates of Clinton National Popular Vote Margin



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