Python Code for QSS Chapter 4: Prediction

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First Printing

```
[]: # import libraries with conventional aliases
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
import seaborn as sns
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
```

Section 4.1: Predicting Election Outcomes

Section 4.1.1: Loops in Python

```
[]: values = np.array([2, 4, 6])
     n = len(values) # number of elements in values
     results = np.zeros(n) # empty container vector for storing the results
     # loop counter `i` will take on values 0, 1, ..., n in that order
     for i in range(n):
        # store multiplication results as the ith element of `results` vector
        results[i] = values[i] * 2
        print(f"{values[i]} times 2 is equal to {results[i]}")
     results
    2 times 2 is equal to 4.0
    4 times 2 is equal to 8.0
    6 times 2 is equal to 12.0
[]: array([4., 8., 12.])
[]: # check if the code runs when i = 0
     \# i = 0 represents the first element in 'values'
     i = 0
     x = values[i] * 2
    print(f"{values[i]} times 2 is equal to {x}")
```

2 times 2 is equal to 4

Section 4.1.2: General Conditional Statements in Python

```
[]: # define the operation to be executed
     operation = 'add'
     if operation=='add':
         print('I will perform addition 4 + 4')
         print(4 + 4)
     if operation=='multiply':
         print('I will perform multiplication 4 * 4')
         print(4 * 4)
    I will perform addition 4 + 4
[]: # Note that 'operation' is redefined
     operation = 'multiply'
     if operation=='add':
         print('I will perform addition 4 + 4')
         print(4 + 4)
     else:
         print('I will perform multiplication 4 * 4')
         print(4 * 4)
    I will perform multiplication 4 * 4
[]: # Note that 'operation' is redefined
     operation = 'subtract'
     if operation=='add':
         print('I will perform addition 4 + 4')
         print(4 + 4)
     elif operation=='multiply':
         print('I will perform multiplication 4 * 4')
         print(4 * 4)
     else:
         print(f"'{operation}' is invalid. Use either 'add' or 'multiply'.")
    'subtract' is invalid. Use either 'add' or 'multiply'.
[]: values = np.arange(1,6)
     n = len(values)
     results = np.zeros(n)
     for i in range(n):
         \# x and r get overwritten in each iteration
```

```
x = values[i]
r = x % 2 # remainder of x divided by 2 to check if x is even or odd
if r==0: # remainder is 0
    print(f"{x} is even and I will perform addition {x} + {x}")
    results[i] = x + x
else: # remainder is not 0
    print(f"{x} is odd and I will perform multiplication {x} * {x}")
    results[i] = x * x
results
```

```
1 is odd and I will perform multiplication 1 * 1
2 is even and I will perform addition 2 + 2
3 is odd and I will perform multiplication 3 * 3
4 is even and I will perform addition 4 + 4
5 is odd and I will perform multiplication 5 * 5
[]: array([1., 4., 9., 8., 25.])
```

Section 4.1.3: Poll Predictions

```
[]: # import the datetime module
from datetime import datetime

# load election results, by state
pres08 = pd.read_csv('pres08.csv')

# load polling data
polls08 = pd.read_csv('polls08.csv')

# compute Obama's margin
polls08['margin'] = polls08['Obama'] - polls08['McCain']
pres08['margin'] = pres08['Obama'] - pres08['McCain']

x = datetime.strptime('2008-11-04', '%Y-%m-%d')
y = datetime.strptime('2008/9/1', '%Y/%m/%d')

# number of days between 9/1/2008 and 11/4/2008
x-y # a timedelta object
```

[]: datetime.timedelta(days=64)

```
[]: # number of days as an integer (x-y).days
```

[]: 64

```
[]: # convert middate to datetime object using pandas convenience function
     polls08['middate'] = pd.to_datetime(polls08['middate'])
     # compute the number of days to the election; use x defined above
     # extract days using the .dt accessor
     polls08['days_to_election'] = (x - polls08['middate']).dt.days
     # extract unique state names which the loop will iterate through
     st_names = polls08['state'].unique()
     # initialize a container vector for storing the results as a series
     poll_pred = pd.Series(index=st_names)
     poll_pred.head()
[ ]: AL
          NaN
     ΑK
          NaN
     ΑZ
          NaN
     AR.
          NaN
     CA
          NaN
     dtype: float64
[]: # loop across the 50 states plus DC
     for i in range(len(st_names)):
         # subset the ith state
         state_data = polls08[polls08['state'] == st_names[i]]
         # further subset the latest polls within the state
         latest = (state_data[state_data['days_to_election'] ==
                              state_data['days_to_election'].min()])
         # compute the mean of the latest polls and store it
         poll_pred[i] = latest['margin'].mean()
     poll_pred.head(10)
[ ]: AL
         -25.0
          -19.0
     AK
     ΑZ
           -2.5
     AR
           -7.0
           24.0
     CA
     CO
           7.0
     CT
           25.0
    DC
           69.0
    DE
           30.0
    FL
            2.0
     dtype: float64
```

Because we stored the state identifier as the index, we could use states as the loop counter. In complex numeric indexing cases, looping through names can be a good alternative.

```
[]: poll_pred_alt = pd.Series(index=st_names)

# loop across the 50 states plus DC

for state in st_names:
    # subset the polls data for the current state
    state_data = polls08[polls08['state'] == state]
    # subset the latest poll for the current state
    latest = (state_data[state_data['days_to_election'] == state_data['days_to_election'] .min()])
    # compute the mean of the latest poll and store it in the results vector
    poll_pred_alt[state] = latest['margin'].mean()

# check that results are the same
poll_pred.equals(poll_pred_alt)
```

[]: True

Recall from chapter 3 that if we want to perform element-wise arithmetic on two equal length vectors whose elements are sorted correctly, the indexes should be identical. Since the poll_pred index is state abbreviations, we can reset the pres08 index to state abbreviations and then extract the margin column without modifying the data frame in place. Of course, we could also add poll_pred to the data frame, which we will illustrate later.

```
[]: # errors of latest polls
errors = pres08.set_index('state')['margin'] - poll_pred
errors.head()
```

```
[]: state
    AL     4.0
    AK     -2.0
    AZ     -6.5
    AR     -13.0
    CA     0.0
    dtype: float64
```

```
[]: # mean prediction error errors.mean()
```

[]: 1.0620915032679739

```
[]: # root mean squared prediction error np.sqrt((errors**2).mean())
```

[]: 5.908940458495747

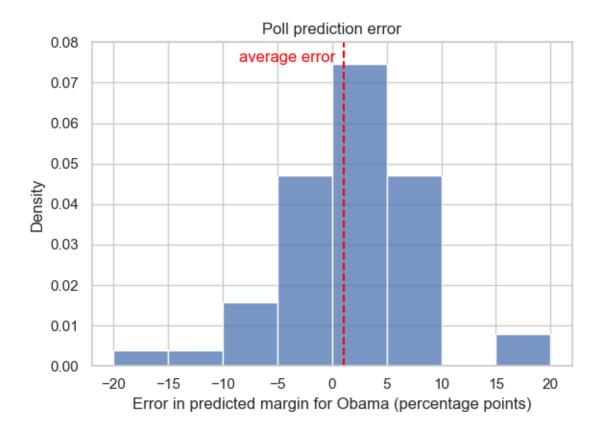
```
[]: # histogram of errors
sns.set_theme(style="whitegrid")
```

```
sns.displot(
    x=errors, stat='density', binrange=(-20, 20), binwidth=5,
    height=4, aspect=1.5,
).set(xlabel='Error in predicted margin for Obama (percentage points)',
    title='Poll prediction error',
    ylim=(0, 0.08)).despine(right=False, top=False)

# add a vertical line representing the mean
plt.axvline(x=errors.mean(), color='red', linestyle='--')

# add a text label for the median
plt.text(x=-8.5, y=0.075, s='average error', color='red')
```

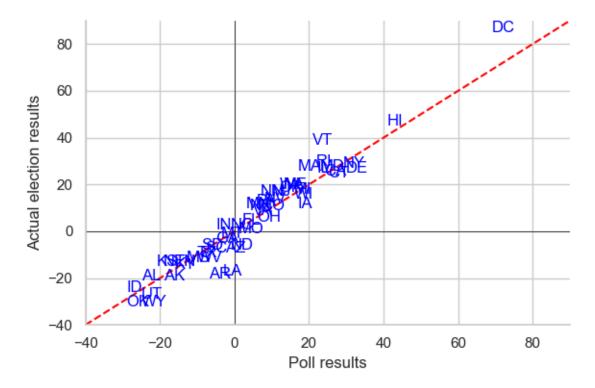
[]: Text(-8.5, 0.075, 'average error')



```
[]: # add poll_pred to pres08 for easier plotting and analysis
# reset the index to match the index of pres08 and drop the old index
pres08['poll_pred'] = poll_pred.reset_index(drop=True)

# marker='' generates an "empty" plot
```

[]: <matplotlib.lines.Line2D at 0x1ea956cd270>



```
[]: # which state polls called the election wrong?
pres08['state'][np.sign(pres08['poll_pred']) != np.sign(pres08['margin'])]
```

```
[]: 14
           IN
    25
          MΩ
          NC
    33
    Name: state, dtype: object
[]: # what was the actual margin for these states?
    pres08['margin'][np.sign(pres08['poll_pred']) != np.sign(pres08['margin'])]
25
         -1
    33
           1
    Name: margin, dtype: int64
[]: # actual results: total number of electoral votes won by Obama
    pres08['EV'][pres08['margin']>0].sum()
[]: 364
[]: # poll prediction
    pres08['EV'][pres08['poll_pred']>0].sum()
[]: 349
[]: # load the data
    pollsUS08 = pd.read_csv('pollsUS08.csv')
     # compute number of days to the election as before
    pollsUS08['middate'] = pd.to_datetime(pollsUS08['middate'])
    pollsUS08['days_to_election'] = (x - pollsUS08['middate']).dt.days
    # empty numpy vectors to store predictions for Obama and McCain
    Obama_pred = np.zeros(90)
    McCain_pred = np.zeros(90)
```

With zero-based indexing, the days sequence 1-90 does not match the vector index 0-89. We need to account for this somewhere. One option, among many, is to add 1 to the loop counter when working with the days sequence.

```
[]: Obama McCain days_to_election
0 44.538462 40.692308 90
1 45.000000 40.692308 89
2 45.230769 40.846154 88
3 45.750000 42.000000 87
4 45.888889 42.000000 86
```

Recall from chapter 3 that plotting groups in seaborn works best when the grouping variable is stored in its own column. In this case, the grouping variable is the candidate. To pivot the candidates into a single column, we need to reshape the data into a longer format, which can be accomplished with the melt() method in pandas.

```
[]:
        days_to_election Candidate
                                      poll_avg
                      90
                              Obama
                                     44.538462
     0
                                    45.000000
     1
                      89
                              Obama
     2
                      88
                              Obama
                                    45.230769
     3
                                    45.750000
                      87
                              Obama
     4
                      86
                              Obama
                                     45.888889
```

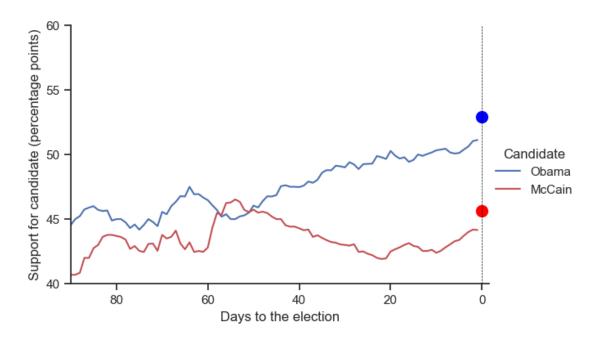
```
[]: pollsUS08_avg_long.tail()
```

```
[]:
          days_to_election Candidate
                                       poll_avg
     175
                         5
                              McCain 43.384615
     176
                         4
                              McCain 43.708333
     177
                         3
                              McCain 44.000000
                         2
     178
                              McCain 44.185185
     179
                              McCain 44.160000
                         1
```

```
[]: sns.set_theme(style="ticks")

# plot going from 90 days to 1 day before the election
sns.relplot(
    data=pollsUS08_avg_long, x='days_to_election', y='poll_avg',
    hue='Candidate', kind='line',
    palette=['b', 'r'], height=4, aspect=1.5
```

[]: <matplotlib.collections.PathCollection at 0x1ea94cc2b30>



Section 4.2: Linear Regression

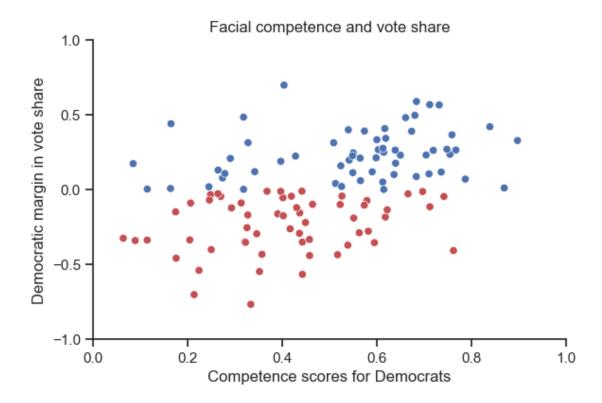
Section 4.2.1: Facial Appearance and Election Outcomes

```
[]: # load the data
face = pd.read_csv('face.csv')

# two-party vote share for Democrats and Republicans
face['d_share'] = face['d.votes'] / (face['d.votes'] + face['r.votes'])
face['r_share'] = face['r.votes'] / (face['d.votes'] + face['r.votes'])
face['diff_share'] = face['d_share'] - face['r_share']
sns.relplot(
```

```
data=face, x='d.comp', y='diff_share',
  hue='w.party', palette=['b','r'], legend=False, height=4, aspect=1.5
).set(xlim=(0, 1), ylim=(-1, 1), yticks=np.arange(-1.0, 1.5, 0.5),
  title='Facial competence and vote share',
  xlabel='Competence scores for Democrats',
  ylabel='Democratic margin in vote share')
```

[]: <seaborn.axisgrid.FacetGrid at 0x1ea95717fa0>



Section 4.2.2: Correlation and Scatter Plots

```
[]: face['d.comp'].corr(face['diff_share'])
```

[]: 0.43277434572761064

Section 4.2.3: Least Squares

```
[]: # import the statsmodels formula API
import statsmodels.formula.api as smf
```

statsmodels works best when column names do not contain spaces or special characters, such as dots. The chapter appendix provides a more in-depth discussion about why this is the case and

how to use the module if you want to retain special characters or spaces in variable names. For now, though, we will replace the dots in the column names with underscores to prevent any errors.

```
[]: | # replace dots in column names with underscores
     face.columns = face.columns.str.replace('.', '_')
     face.columns
[]: Index(['year', 'state', 'winner', 'loser', 'w_party', 'l_party', 'd_comp',
            'r_comp', 'd_votes', 'r_votes', 'd_share', 'r_share', 'diff_share'],
           dtype='object')
[]: # fit the model; the statsmodels formula API uses R-style formulas
     fit = smf.ols('diff_share ~ d_comp', data=face).fit()
     fit.model.formula
[]: 'diff_share ~ d_comp'
[]: # get the estimated coefficients
     fit.params
[]: Intercept
                 -0.312226
                  0.660381
     d_comp
     dtype: float64
[]: # get fitted or predicted values
     fit.fittedvalues.head(n=10)
[]: 0
         0.060604
     1
        -0.086433
     2
         0.092171
     3
         0.045392
     4
         0.136987
     5
        -0.100572
     6
        -0.045593
     7
         0.085994
         0.043438
         0.261788
     dtype: float64
[]: # store the intercept and slope for plotting a regression line
     intercept, slope = fit.params
     # create a vector for the x-axis limits
     x_values = np.array([0,1])
     # using the slope and intercept, predict y values for the x axis limits
```

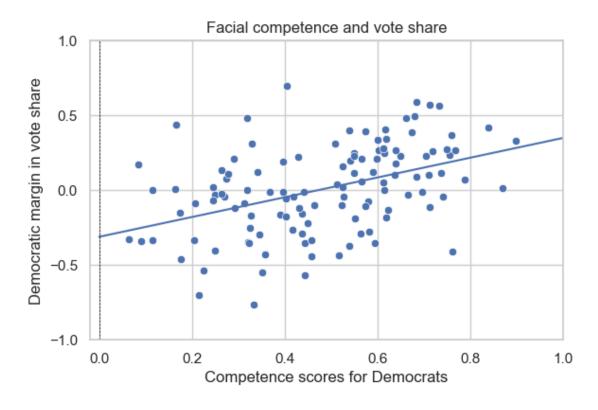
```
y_values = intercept + slope * x_values
sns.set_theme(style="whitegrid")

# plot a scatterplot and overlay a regression line
sns.relplot(
   data=face, x='d_comp', y='diff_share', height=4, aspect=1.5
).set(ylim=(-1, 1), yticks=np.arange(-1.0, 1.5, 0.5),
        xlim=(-0.02, 1), # small buffer in left limit for aesthetics
        title='Facial competence and vote share',
        xlabel='Competence scores for Democrats',
        ylabel='Democratic margin in vote share').despine(right=False, top=False)

plt.plot(x_values, y_values) # regression line

plt.axvline(x=0, color='black', linewidth=0.5, linestyle='--')
```

[]: <matplotlib.lines.Line2D at 0x1ea957ebc70>



Note that seaborn has a built-in function for plotting regression lines, which we will use later, but it is not as easy to show the regression line's intercept.

```
[]: epsilon_hat = fit.resid # residuals
np.sqrt((epsilon_hat**2).mean()) # RMSE
```

[]: 0.2642360764039512

Section 4.2.4: Regression Towards the Mean

Section 4.2.5: Merging Datasets in Pandas

```
[]: # load the 2012 data
pres12 = pd.read_csv('pres12.csv')

# remove poll_pred from pres08
pres08.drop('poll_pred', axis=1, inplace=True)

# quick look at the two data sets
pres08.head()
```

```
[]:
        state.name state
                            Obama
                                   McCain
                                           EV
                                                 margin
           Alabama
                       AL
                               39
                                        60
                                             9
                                                    -21
             Alaska
                                             3
                                                    -21
     1
                       AK
                               38
                                        59
     2
           Arizona
                       ΑZ
                               45
                                        54
                                            10
                                                     -9
     3
          Arkansas
                       AR
                               39
                                        59
                                              6
                                                    -20
        California
                       CA
                               61
                                        37
                                            55
                                                     24
```

[]: pres12.head()

```
[]:
        state
                Obama
                       Romney
                                ΕV
     0
           ΑL
                   38
                            61
                                  9
     1
           ΑK
                   41
                            55
                                  3
     2
           AZ
                   45
                            54
                                 11
     3
           AR
                   37
                            61
                                  6
     4
           CA
                   60
                            37
                                 55
```

```
[]: # merge two data frames
pres = pd.merge(pres08, pres12, on='state')
pres.head()
```

```
[]:
        state.name state
                            Obama_x McCain
                                              EV_x margin Obama_y
                                                                        Romney
                                                                                 EV_y
           Alabama
                        ΑL
                                  39
                                          60
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             Alaska
                        ΑK
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          Arkansas
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        California
                        CA
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                                          37
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                                                          24
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                                                                                   55
```

```
[]: pres.describe().round(2)
```

```
[]:
            Obama_x McCain
                               EV_x margin
                                              Obama_y
                                                        Romney
                                                                 EV_y
              51.00
                       51.00
                              51.00
                                                51.00
                                                         51.00
                                                                51.00
     count
                                       51.00
     mean
              51.37
                       47.06
                              10.55
                                        4.31
                                                49.06
                                                         49.04
                                                                10.55
     std
              11.04
                       11.04
                               9.58
                                       22.07
                                                11.80
                                                         11.79
                                                                 9.69
     min
                        7.00
                               3.00
                                      -32.00
                                                25.00
                                                          7.00
                                                                 3.00
              33.00
     25%
              43.00
                       40.00
                               4.50
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                                                40.50
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                                                                 4.50
     50%
              51.00
                       47.00
                               8.00
                                        4.00
                                                51.00
                                                         48.00
                                                                 8.00
     75%
              57.50
                       56.00
                              11.50
                                       17.50
                                                56.00
                                                         58.00
                                                                11.50
              92.00
                       66.00 55.00
                                       85.00
                                                91.00
                                                         73.00 55.00
     max
[]: # change the variable name for illustration
     pres12.rename(columns={'state': 'state_abb'}, inplace=True)
     pres12.head()
[]:
       state_abb
                  Obama
                                  ΕV
                          Romney
     0
              AL
                      38
                              61
                                   9
     1
              AK
                      41
                              55
                                    3
     2
              AZ
                      45
                              54
                                  11
     3
              AR
                      37
                              61
                                   6
     4
              CA
                      60
                              37
                                  55
[]: # merging data sets using variable keys with different names
     pres = (pd.merge(pres08, pres12, left_on='state', right_on='state abb').
             drop('state_abb', axis=1))
     pres.head()
[]:
        state.name state
                           Obama_x
                                    McCain
                                             EV_x
                                                   margin Obama_y
                                                                     Romney
                                                                              EV_y
     0
           Alabama
                       AL
                                39
                                         60
                                                9
                                                       -21
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                                                                          61
                                                                                 9
     1
            Alaska
                       ΑK
                                38
                                         59
                                                3
                                                       -21
                                                                 41
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     2
           Arizona
                       AZ
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                       CA
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    pres.describe().round(2)
[]:
            Obama_x McCain
                               EV_x margin
                                              Obama_y
                                                        Romney
                                                                 EV_y
     count
              51.00
                       51.00
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              51.37
                       47.06
                              10.55
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                                                         49.04 10.55
     mean
     std
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                       11.04
                               9.58
                                       22.07
                                                11.80
                                                         11.79
                                                                 9.69
                        7.00
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                                                                 3.00
     min
              33.00
                               3.00
                                      -32.00
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                                                                 4.50
     25%
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                                                         41.00
     50%
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                                                                 8.00
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                                                         58.00
                                                               11.50
     max
              92.00
                       66.00
                              55.00
                                       85.00
                                                91.00
                                                         73.00 55.00
```

```
[]: # concatenate two data frames
pres1 = pd.concat([pres08, pres12], axis='columns')
pres1.head()
```

```
[]:
         state.name state
                              Obama
                                      McCain
                                               EV
                                                    margin state_abb
                                                                          Obama
                                                                                  Romney
                                                                                           ΕV
            Alabama
                         AL
                                  39
                                           60
                                                 9
                                                        -21
                                                                                             9
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                                                                                       61
                                                 3
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     1
              Alaska
                         AK
                                  38
                                           59
                                                                     AK
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                                                                                       55
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     2
            Arizona
                         AZ
                                  45
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     3
           Arkansas
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                                                                     AR.
                                                                             37
                         AR.
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         California
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                         CA
                                  61
                                                55
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                                                                     CA
                                                                             60
```

```
state.name state
                              McCain
                                       ΕV
                                            margin state_abb
                                                                 Obama
                                                                                  ΕV
                      Obama
                                                                         Romney
        D.C.
                  DC
                          92
                                         3
                                                                             40
                                                                                   3
7
                                    7
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                                                                              7
8
                  DE
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                                   37
                                         3
                                                                    91
                                                                                   3
    Delaware
```

```
[]: # merge() does not have this problem pres.iloc[7:9]
```

```
Obama_x McCain EV_x
                                                            Obama_y
                                                                       Romney
                                                                               EV_y
[]:
       state.name state
                                                    margin
     7
              D.C.
                      DC
                                92
                                          7
                                                 3
                                                                  91
                                                                            7
                                                        85
                                                                                   3
                                62
                                         37
                                                 3
                                                                           40
                                                                                   3
     8
         Delaware
                      DE
                                                        25
                                                                  59
```

If we move the state identifier to the index, then concat() will align the indexes correctly. We still have overlapping column names, though.

```
[]:
         state.name
                       Obama
                              McCain
                                        ΕV
                                                      Obama
                                                                       EV
                                            margin
                                                              Romney
     DC
                          92
                D.C.
                                    7
                                         3
                                                 85
                                                         91
                                                                    7
                                                                        3
     DE
                          62
                                   37
                                         3
                                                 25
                                                         59
                                                                   40
                                                                        3
           Delaware
```

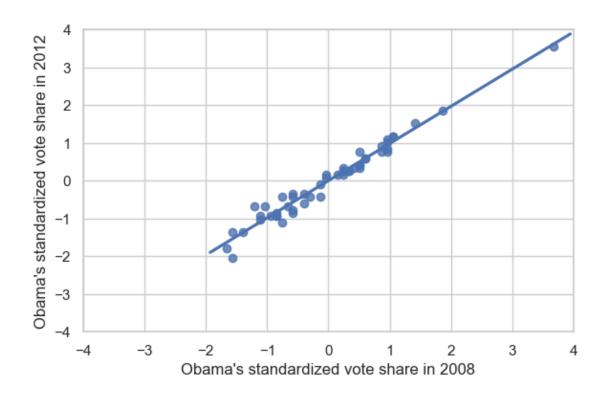
Pandas and numpy do not have built-in z-score functions. We can either calculate the z-scores manually, use the zscore function from the scipy module, or build a simple function of our own. In this case, the final option is straightforward.

```
[]: # define a function to standardize a vector (calculate z-scores)

def standardize(x):
    return (x - x.mean()) / x.std()
```

```
pres['Obama2008_z'] = standardize(pres['Obama_x'])
     pres['Obama2012_z'] = standardize(pres['Obama_y'])
     # estimated intercept is essentially zero
     fit1 = smf.ols('Obama2012_z ~ Obama2008_z', data=pres).fit()
     fit1.params
[]: Intercept
                   -2.914335e-16
    0bama2008_z
                    9.834419e-01
     dtype: float64
[]: # regression without an intercept
     fit1 = smf.ols('Obama2012_z ~ -1 + Obama2008_z', data=pres).fit()
     # estimated slope is identical
     fit1.params
                    0.983442
[]: Obama2008_z
     dtype: float64
[]: # plot using seaborn's built-in lmplot function
     sns.lmplot(
        data=pres, x='Obama2008_z', y='Obama2012_z', ci=None, truncate=False,
        height=4, aspect=1.5,
     ).set(xlim=(-4, 4), ylim=(-4, 4),
          xlabel="Obama's standardized vote share in 2008",
           ylabel="Obama's standardized vote share in 2012").despine(
               right=False, top=False)
```

[]: <seaborn.axisgrid.FacetGrid at 0x1ea971b14b0>



Setting truncate=False extends the regression line a bit past the data range, but only up to the axis limits that lmplot() sets internally, not to the axis limits we set manually in .set().

[]: 0.5714285714285714

[]: 0.46153846153846156

Section 4.2.6: Model Fit

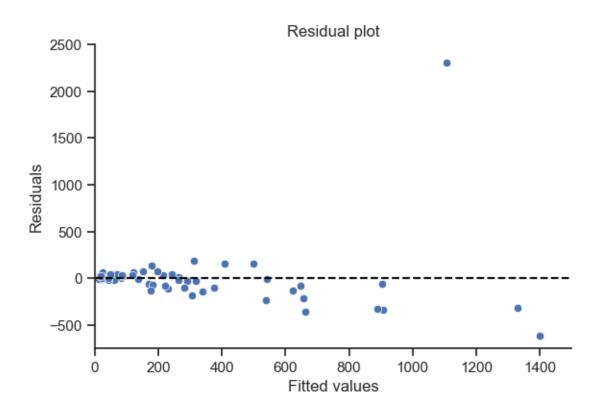
```
[]: florida = pd.read_csv('florida.csv')

# regress Buchanan's 2000 votes on Perot's 1996 votes
fit2 = smf.ols('Buchanan00 ~ Perot96', data=florida).fit()

fit2.params
```

```
[]: Intercept
                 1.345752
    Perot96
                 0.035915
     dtype: float64
[]: # compute TSS (total sum of squares)
     TSS2 = ((florida['Buchanan00'] - florida['Buchanan00'].mean())**2).sum()
     # compute SSR (sum of squared residuals)
     SSR2 = (fit2.resid**2).sum()
     # Coefficient of determination (R-squared)
     (TSS2 - SSR2) / TSS2
[]: 0.513033325505709
[]: def R2(fit):
        resid = fit.resid # residuals
        y = fit.fittedvalues + resid # outcome variable
        TSS = ((y - y.mean())**2).sum()
        SSR = (resid**2).sum()
        R2 = (TSS - SSR) / TSS
        return R2
     R2(fit2)
[]: 0.513033325505709
[]: # built-in statsmodels R2 attribute
     fit2.rsquared
[]: 0.5130333255057089
[]: fit1.rsquared
[]: 0.9671579118703088
[]: sns.set_theme(style="ticks")
     sns.relplot(
        x=fit2.fittedvalues, y=fit2.resid, height=4, aspect=1.5
     ).set(xlabel='Fitted values', ylabel='Residuals', title='Residual plot',
           xlim=(0,1500), ylim=(-750, 2500))
     plt.axhline(y=0, color='black', linestyle='--')
```

[]: <matplotlib.lines.Line2D at 0x1ea971b13f0>

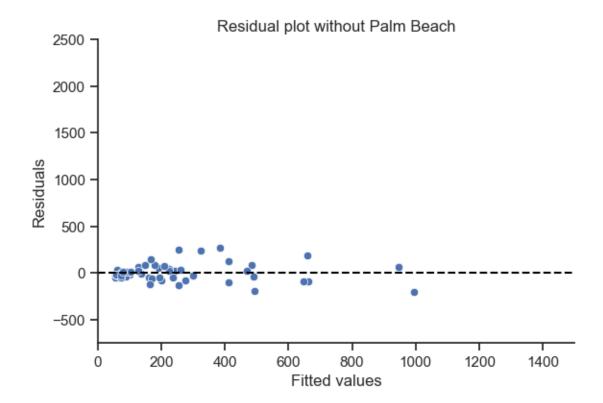


```
[]: florida['county'][fit2.resid == fit2.resid.max()]
[]: 49
          PalmBeach
     Name: county, dtype: object
[]: # data without palm beach
     florida_pb = florida.loc[florida.county != 'PalmBeach'].copy()
     fit3 = smf.ols('Buchanan00 ~ Perot96', data=florida_pb).fit()
     fit3.params
[]: Intercept
                 45.841933
     Perot96
                  0.024352
     dtype: float64
[]: R2(fit3)
[]: 0.8511674585300796
[]: sns.relplot(
        x=fit3.fittedvalues, y=fit3.resid, height=4, aspect=1.5
     ).set(xlabel='Fitted values', ylabel='Residuals',
```

```
title='Residual plot without Palm Beach',
    xlim=(0,1500), ylim=(-750, 2500))

plt.axhline(y=0, color='black', linestyle='--')
```

[]: <matplotlib.lines.Line2D at 0x1ea972dfb50>



```
[]: # plot both regression lines on the same scatterplot

# use seaborn's lmplot() to plot the regression line associated with fit2
sns.lmplot(
    data=florida, x='Perot96', y='Buchanan00', ci=None, truncate=False,
    height=4, aspect=1.5,
    line_kws={'color': 'black', 'linestyle': '--', 'linewidth': 0.75},
).set(xlabel="Perot's votes in 1996",
    ylabel="Buchanan's votes in 2000").despine(right=False, top=False)

# store the x-axis limits from the plot
x_lim = plt.gca().get_xlim()

# store the limits as a data frame with the same column name as the predictor
# note: we only need two points to plot a linear regression line
```

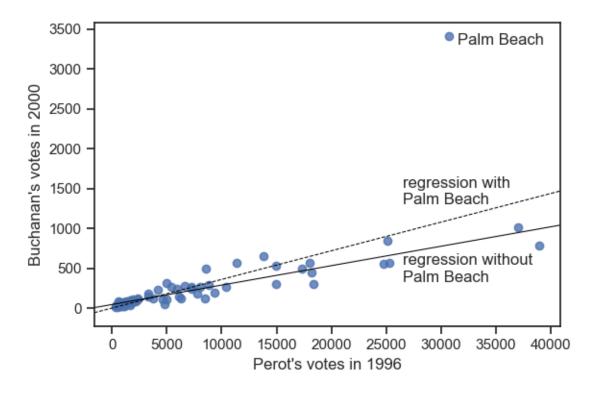
```
x_values = pd.DataFrame({'Perot96': x_lim})

# use the fit3 model and the predict method to generate y values
y_values = fit3.predict(x_values)

# plot the regression line associated with fit3
plt.plot(x_values, y_values, color='black', linewidth=0.75)

plt.text(x=31500, y=3300, s='Palm Beach')
plt.text(x=26500, y=1300, s='regression with\nPalm Beach')
plt.text(x=26500, y=330, s='regression without\nPalm Beach')
```

[]: Text(26500, 330, 'regression without\nPalm Beach')



Section 4.3: Regression and Causation

Section 4.3.1: Randomized Experiments

```
[]: women = pd.read_csv('women.csv')

# proportion of female politicians in reserved GP vs. unreserved GP
women['female'] [women.reserved==1].mean()
```

[]: 1.0

```
[]: women['female'][women.reserved==0].mean()
[]: 0.07476635514018691
[]: # drinking water facilities
     (women['water'][women.reserved==1].mean() -
      women['water'] [women.reserved==0].mean())
[]: 9.252422983731394
[]: # irrigation facilities
     (women['irrigation'][women.reserved==1].mean() -
     women['irrigation'][women.reserved==0].mean())
[]: -0.369331948771201
[]: smf.ols('water ~ reserved', data=women).fit().params
[]: Intercept
                  14.738318
     reserved
                   9.252423
     dtype: float64
[]: smf.ols('irrigation ~ reserved', data=women).fit().params
[]: Intercept
                 3.387850
     reserved
                -0.369332
     dtype: float64
    Section 4.3.2: Regression with Multiple Predictors
[]: social = pd.read_csv('social.csv')
     # convert messages to categorical with Control as the reference category
     cats = ['Control', 'Civic Duty', 'Hawthorne', 'Neighbors']
     social['messages'] = (social['messages'].astype('category').
                           cat.reorder_categories(cats))
     social['messages'].cat.categories
[]: Index(['Control', 'Civic Duty', 'Hawthorne', 'Neighbors'], dtype='object')
[]: social['messages'].value_counts()
[]: messages
     Control
                   191243
     Civic Duty
                    38218
    Hawthorne
                    38204
```

```
Neighbors
                    38201
     Name: count, dtype: int64
[]: fit = smf.ols('primary2006 ~ messages', data=social).fit()
     fit.params
[]: Intercept
                               0.296638
    messages[T.Civic Duty]
                               0.017899
    messages[T.Hawthorne]
                               0.025736
    messages[T.Neighbors]
                               0.081310
     dtype: float64
[]: # create indicator variables
     social['Civic Duty'] = np.where(social['messages']=='Civic Duty', 1, 0)
     social['Hawthorne'] = np.where(social['messages']=='Hawthorne', 1, 0)
     social['Neighbors'] = np.where(social['messages']=='Neighbors', 1, 0)
     # an alternative using pandas get_dummies method
     dummies = (pd.get_dummies(social['messages'], drop_first=True, dtype='int').
                rename(columns={'Civic Duty': 'Civic_Duty'}))
     social[['Civic_Duty', 'Hawthorne', 'Neighbors']].equals(dummies)
[]: True
[]: # fit the same regression as above using the indicator variables
     smf.ols('primary2006 ~ Civic_Duty + Hawthorne + Neighbors',
             data=social).fit().params
[]: Intercept
                  0.296638
     Civic_Duty
                  0.017899
    Hawthorne
                  0.025736
    Neighbors
                  0.081310
     dtype: float64
[]: # create a data frame with unique values of messages
     unique_messages = pd.DataFrame({'messages': social['messages'].cat.categories})
     unique_messages
[]:
         messages
          Control
     1 Civic Duty
       Hawthorne
        Neighbors
```

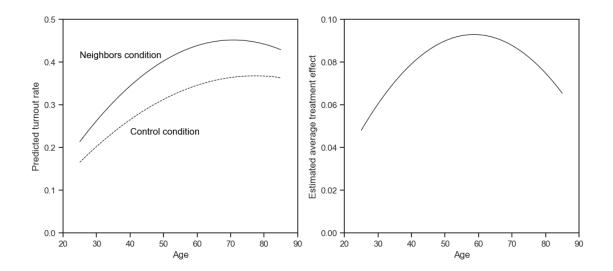
```
[]: # make prediction for each observation from the new data frame
     fit.predict(unique_messages)
[]: 0
         0.296638
     1
          0.314538
     2
         0.322375
         0.377948
     3
     dtype: float64
[]: # sample average
     social.groupby('messages')['primary2006'].mean()
[]: messages
     Control
                   0.296638
     Civic Duty
                   0.314538
    Hawthorne
                   0.322375
     Neighbors
                   0.377948
    Name: primary2006, dtype: float64
[]: # linear regression without intercept
     fit_noint = smf.ols('primary2006 ~ -1 + messages', data=social).fit()
     fit_noint.params
[]: messages[Control]
                             0.296638
    messages[Civic Duty]
                             0.314538
    messages[Hawthorne]
                             0.322375
    messages[Neighbors]
                             0.377948
     dtype: float64
[]: # estimated average effect of Neighbors condition
     fit.params['messages[T.Neighbors]'].round(7)
[]: 0.0813099
[]: # difference in means
     (social['primary2006'][social['messages']=='Neighbors'].mean() -
      social['primary2006'][social['messages']=='Control'].mean()).round(7)
[]: 0.0813099
[]: # adjusted Rsqure
     def adjR2(fit):
         resid = fit.resid # residuals
         y = fit.fittedvalues + resid # outcome variable
        n = len(y)
         p = len(fit.params)
         TSS_adj = ((y - y.mean())**2).sum() / (n - 1)
```

```
SSR_adj = (resid**2).sum() / (n - p)
         R2\_adj = 1 - SSR\_adj / TSS\_adj
         return R2_adj
     adjR2(fit).round(7)
[]: 0.0032728
[]: R2(fit).round(7) # unadjusted Rsquare calculation
[]: 0.0032826
[]: fit.rsquared_adj.round(7)
[]: 0.0032728
    Section 4.3.3: Heterogeneous Treatment Effects
[]: # average treatment effect (ATE) among those who voted in 2004 primary
     social_voter = social.loc[social['primary2004']==1].copy()
     ate_voter = (
         social_voter['primary2006'][social_voter['messages'] == 'Neighbors'].mean()
         - social_voter['primary2006'][social_voter['messages']=='Control'].mean()
     ate_voter
[]: 0.09652525355693264
[]: # ATE among those who did not vote in 2004 primary
     social_nonvoter = social.loc[social['primary2004']==0].copy()
     ate_nonvoter = (
         social nonvoter['primary2006'][social nonvoter['messages'] == 'Neighbors'].
         social_nonvoter['primary2006'][social_nonvoter['messages'] == 'Control'].
         mean()
     )
     ate_nonvoter
[]: 0.0692961746200847
[]: # difference
     ate_voter - ate_nonvoter
[]: 0.02722907893684795
```

```
[]: # subset neighbors and control groups
     social_neighbor = (
         social.loc[social['messages'].isin(['Control', 'Neighbors'])].copy()
     # re-encode the categorical variable to remove original levels
     social_neighbor['messages'] = (
         social_neighbor['messages'].astype('object').astype('category')
     # standard way to generate main and interaction effects
     fit int = smf.ols(
         'primary2006 ~ primary2004 + messages + primary2004:messages',
         data=social_neighbor).fit()
     fit_int.params
[]: Intercept
                                          0.237110
    messages[T.Neighbors]
                                          0.069296
    primary2004
                                          0.148695
    primary2004:messages[T.Neighbors]
                                          0.027229
     dtype: float64
[]: social_neighbor['age'] = 2006 - social_neighbor['yearofbirth']
     social_neighbor['age'].describe().round(2)
[]: count
              229444.00
    mean
                  49.82
    std
                  14.46
                  20.00
    min
    25%
                  41.00
    50%
                  50.00
    75%
                  59.00
                106.00
    max
    Name: age, dtype: float64
[]: fit_age = smf.ols('primary2006 ~ age * messages', data=social_neighbor).fit()
     fit_age.params
[]: Intercept
                                  0.097473
    messages[T.Neighbors]
                                  0.049829
                                  0.003998
     age:messages[T.Neighbors]
                                  0.000628
     dtype: float64
```

```
[]: # age = 25, 45, 65, 85 in Neighbors group
     age_neighbor = pd.DataFrame({'age': np.arange(25, 86, 20),
                                  'messages': 'Neighbors'})
     # age = 25, 45, 65, 85 in Control group
     age_control = pd.DataFrame({'age': np.arange(25, 86, 20),
                                 'messages': 'Control'})
     # average treatment effect for age = 25, 45, 65, 85
     ate_age = fit_age.predict(age_neighbor) - fit_age.predict(age_control)
     ate_age
[]: 0
         0.065537
         0.078103
         0.090669
     2
         0.103236
     dtype: float64
[]: fit_age2 = smf.ols(
         # note: concatenate two strings with '+'
         'primary2006 ~ age + I(age**2) + messages + age:messages + ' +
         'I(age**2):messages', data=social_neighbor).fit()
     fit_age2.params
[]: Intercept
                                         -0.073846
    messages[T.Neighbors]
                                         -0.043302
                                          0.011427
     age:messages[T.Neighbors]
                                          0.004646
     I(age ** 2)
                                         -0.000074
     I(age ** 2):messages[T.Neighbors]
                                         -0.000040
     dtype: float64
[]: # predict turnout rate under the Neighbors treatment condition
     yT_hat = fit_age2.predict(pd.DataFrame({'age': np.arange(25, 86),
                                             'messages': 'Neighbors'}))
     # predict turnout rate under the Control condition
     yC_hat = fit_age2.predict(pd.DataFrame({'age': np.arange(25, 86),
                                             'messages': 'Control'}))
     # save ATE
     ate_age2 = yT_hat - yC_hat
     ate_age2.head()
```

```
[]: 0 0.048091
         0.050717
     1
    2
         0.053264
     3
         0.055731
     4
         0.058120
    dtype: float64
[]: # create subplots
     fig, axs = plt.subplots(1, 2, figsize=(12, 5))
     # plotting the predicted turnout rate under each condition
     sns.lineplot(
        x=np.arange(25, 86), y=yT_hat, color='black', linewidth=0.75, ax=axs[0]
     ).set(xlabel='Age', ylabel='Predicted turnout rate',
           xlim=(20, 90), ylim=(0, 0.5))
     sns.lineplot(
        x=np.arange(25, 86), y=yC_hat, color='black', linewidth=0.75,
        linestyle='--', ax=axs[0]
     # add text labels
     axs[0].text(x=25, y=0.41, s='Neighbors condition', color='black')
     axs[0].text(x=40, y=0.23, s='Control condition', color='black')
     # plotting the average treatment effect as a function of age
     sns.lineplot(
        x=np.arange(25, 86), y=ate_age2, color='black', linewidth=0.75, ax=axs[1]
     ).set(xlabel='Age', ylabel='Estimated average treatment effect',
          xlim=(20, 90), ylim=(0, 0.1))
[]: [Text(0.5, 0, 'Age'),
     Text(0, 0.5, 'Estimated average treatment effect'),
      (20.0, 90.0),
      (0.0, 0.1)
```



Section 4.3.4: Regression Discontinuity Design

In Progress

Appendix: statsmodels considerations

This appendix addresses a few nuances to consider when using the statsmodels module.

Section A.1: Interaction with patsy module

Section A.2: Variable names

Section A.3: Object oriented programming (OOP) workflow

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