Python Code for QSS Chapter 3: Measurement

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In Chapter 2, we begin visualizing data. Python has a variety of excellent plotting libraries. This chapter uses seaborn, which is built on top of matplotlib. We occassionally leverage matplotlib to customize plots. In seaborn, we use three families of plotting functions, known as "figure-level" plots in seaborn terminology. Whenever we use one of these function families, we must specify a "kind" of plot, unless the kind we want to use is the default. The table below summarizes the families of plotting functions and the kinds of plots used in this chapter. Seaborn also has more specific, "axes-level," plotting functions, such as histplot and scatterplot. Axes-level plots are particularly useful for creating sub-plots.

Family	Kind
relplot	scatter (default), line
displot	hist (default), kde
catplot	bar, box

Note: The chapter appendix demonstrates how to customize many of the plots created in this chapter.

Section 3.1: Measuring Civilian Victimization during Wartime

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

# import data
afghan = pd.read_csv('afghan.csv')

# summarize variables of interest
afghan['age'].describe().round(2)
```

```
[]: count 2754.00
mean 32.39
std 12.29
min 15.00
25% 22.00
50% 30.00
```

```
40.00
     75%
                80.00
     max
     Name: age, dtype: float64
[]: afghan['educ.years'].describe().round(2)
              2754.00
[]: count
                 4.00
    mean
     std
                 4.75
    min
                 0.00
     25%
                 0.00
     50%
                 1.00
     75%
                 8.00
                18.00
     max
     Name: educ.years, dtype: float64
[]: afghan['employed'].describe().round(2)
[]: count
              2754.00
    mean
                 0.58
     std
                 0.49
                 0.00
    min
     25%
                 0.00
     50%
                 1.00
     75%
                 1.00
                 1.00
     max
     Name: employed, dtype: float64
[]: afghan['income'].describe()
                       2600
[]: count
                          5
     unique
               2,001-10,000
     top
     freq
                       1420
     Name: income, dtype: object
[]: afghan['income'].value_counts(sort=False, dropna=False)
[]: income
     2,001-10,000
                        1420
     NaN
                         154
     10,001-20,000
                         616
     less than 2,000
                         457
     20,001-30,000
                          93
     over 30,000
                          14
     Name: count, dtype: int64
```

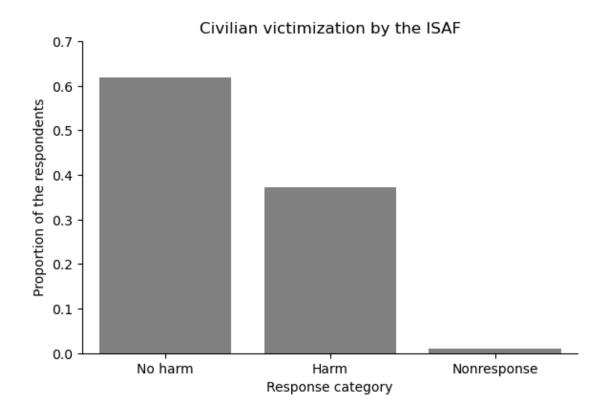
```
[]: # convert income to a categorical variable and specify levels
     afghan['income'] = afghan['income'].astype('category').cat.reorder_categories(
         ['less than 2,000', '2,001-10,000', '10,001-20,000', '20,001-30,000',
          'over 30,000']
     )
     afghan['income'].value_counts(sort=False, dropna=False)
[]: income
     less than 2,000
                         457
     2,001-10,000
                        1420
     10,001-20,000
                         616
     20,001-30,000
                          93
     over 30,000
                          14
     NaN
                         154
     Name: count, dtype: int64
[]: pd.crosstab(afghan['violent.exp.ISAF'], afghan['violent.exp.taliban'],
                 rownames=['ISAF'], colnames=['Taliban'], normalize=True)
[]: Taliban
                   0.0
                             1.0
     ISAF
     0.0
              0.495345 0.131844
     1.0
              0.176909 0.195903
    Section 3.2: Handling Missing Data in Pandas
[]: # print income data for first 10 respondents
     afghan['income'].head(10)
[]: 0
           2,001-10,000
           2,001-10,000
     2
           2,001-10,000
           2,001-10,000
     3
     4
           2,001-10,000
     5
                    NaN
          10,001-20,000
     6
     7
           2,001-10,000
     8
           2,001-10,000
                    NaN
     Name: income, dtype: category
     Categories (5, object): ['less than 2,000', '2,001-10,000', '10,001-20,000',
     '20,001-30,000', 'over 30,000']
[]: # indicate whether respondents' income is missing
     afghan['income'].isnull().head(10)
```

```
[]: 0
          False
          False
     1
     2
          False
     3
          False
     4
          False
     5
           True
     6
          False
          False
     7
     8
          False
     9
           True
     Name: income, dtype: bool
[]: # count of missing values
     afghan['income'].isnull().sum()
[]: 154
[]: # proportion of missing values
     afghan['income'].isnull().mean()
[]: 0.05591866376180102
[]: x = pd.Series([1, 2, 3, np.nan])
     # pandas ignores missing values by default
     x.mean()
[]: 2.0
[]: # we can override the default behavior
     x.mean(skipna=False)
[]: nan
    The pandas crosstab method does not have an argument for including missing values in a contin-
    gency table. Instead, we can use the fillna method to supply a name for the missing values.
[]: pd.crosstab(afghan['violent.exp.ISAF'].fillna('Nonresponse'),
                 afghan['violent.exp.taliban'].fillna('Nonresponse'),
                 rownames=['ISAF'], colnames=['Taliban'], normalize=True)
[]: Taliban
                       0.0
                                  1.0 Nonresponse
     ISAF
     0.0
                  0.482934 0.128540
                                          0.007988
     1.0
                  0.172476 0.190995
                                          0.007988
     Nonresponse 0.002542 0.002905
                                          0.003631
```

```
[]: # listwise deletion
     afghan_sub = afghan.dropna()
     afghan_sub.shape[0]
[]: 2554
[]: afghan['income'].dropna().shape[0]
[]: 2600
    Section 3.3: Visualizing the Univariate Distribution
    Section 3.3.1: Bar Plot
[]: # a vector of proportions to plot
     ISAF_ptable = (afghan['violent.exp.ISAF'].
                    value_counts(normalize=True, dropna=False).reset_index())
     ISAF_ptable
[]:
       violent.exp.ISAF proportion
                            0.619463
                     0.0
     0
                     1.0
     1
                            0.371460
     2
                     {\tt NaN}
                            0.009078
[]: # add a response column for plotting convenience
     ISAF_ptable['response'] = ['No harm', 'Harm', 'Nonresponse']
     # plot using the catplot family and kind='bar'
     sns.catplot(
         data=ISAF_ptable, x='response', y='proportion', color='gray',
         kind='bar', estimator=sum, height=4, aspect=1.5
     ).set(title='Civilian victimization by the ISAF',
           xlabel='Response category', ylabel='Proportion of the respondents',
```

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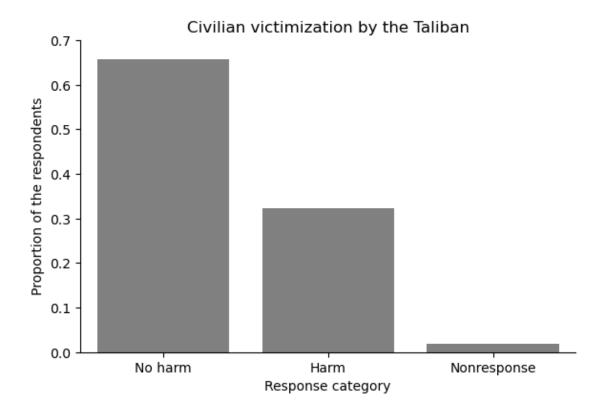
ylim=(0, 0.7))



Notice, we use estimator=sum because seaborn bar plots aggregate the data by a given function. The default aggregation function is mean. Since we have already calculated proportions, we can use sum to ensure there is no further aggregation. Another strategy for creating the bar plot is to use the mean aggregation directly on the original data frame categories.

Additionally, we set the height and aspect ratios directly. The default height is 5 inches for seaborn figure-level plots, and the default aspect ratio is 1. The aspect ratio is the ratio of the width to the height. Therefore, the default width is 5 inches.

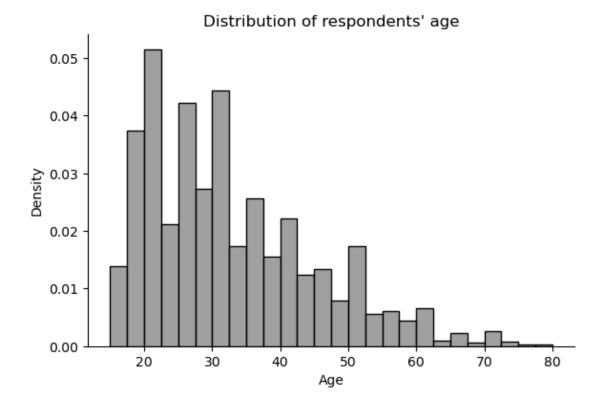
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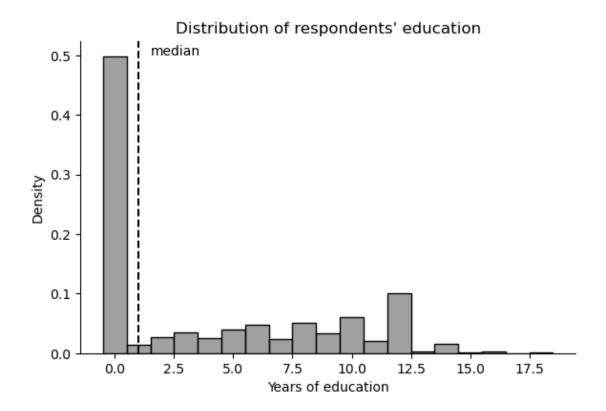
Section 3.3.2: Histogram

```
[]: sns.displot(
    data=afghan, x='age', stat='density', color='gray',
    height=4, aspect=1.5
).set(title="Distribution of respondents' age", xlabel='Age')
```

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[]: Text(1.5, 0.5, 'median')

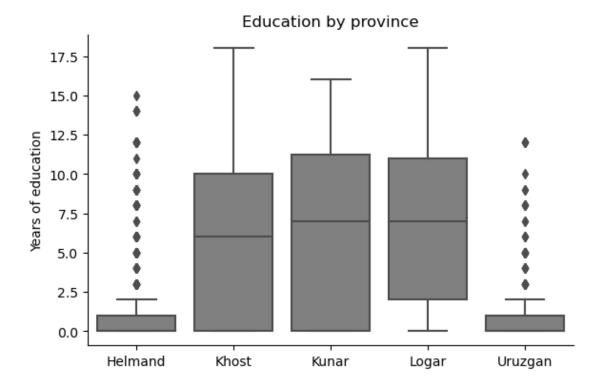


Section 3.3.3: Box Plot

```
[]: # convert province to a categorical variable
# not necessary for plotting, but useful for other analyses
afghan['province'] = afghan['province'].astype('category')

sns.catplot(
    data=afghan, x='province', y='educ.years', kind='box', color='gray',
    height=4, aspect=1.5
).set(title='Education by province', xlabel='', ylabel='Years of education')
```

[]: <seaborn.axisgrid.FacetGrid at 0x2253488cd60>



[]: afghan.groupby('province')['violent.exp.taliban'].mean()

[]: province

Helmand0.504222Khost0.233227Kunar0.303030Logar0.080247Uruzgan0.454545

Name: violent.exp.taliban, dtype: float64

[]: afghan.groupby('province')['violent.exp.ISAF'].mean()

[]: province

Helmand0.541023Khost0.242424Kunar0.398990Logar0.144033Uruzgan0.496042

Name: violent.exp.ISAF, dtype: float64

Section 3.3.4: Saving Plots

```
[]: # Option 1: Save via point-and-click in IDE

# Option 2: Run plot code plus plt.savefig()

sns.catplot(
    data=afghan, x='province', y='educ.years', kind='box', color='gray',
    height=4, aspect=1.5
).set(title='Education by province', xlabel='', ylabel='Years of education')

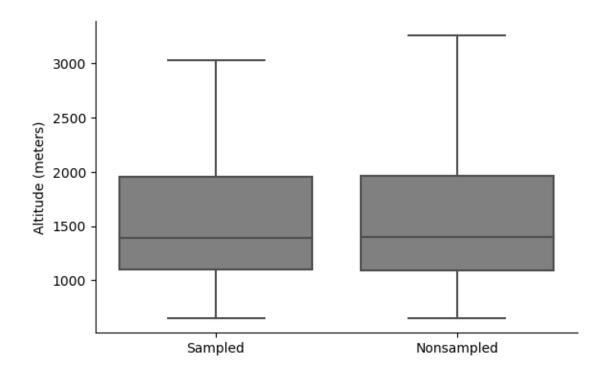
plt.savefig('education-by-province.png', bbox_inches='tight')

plt.close() # prevent plot from re-displaying
```

Section 3.4: Survey Sampling

Section 3.4.1: The Role of Randomization

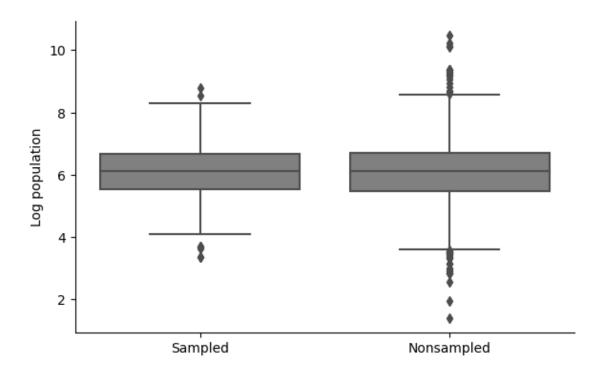
[]: <seaborn.axisgrid.FacetGrid at 0x22535a376d0>



```
[]: # add the natural log of population to the data frame
afghan_village['log_pop'] = np.log(afghan_village['population'])

# boxplots for log population
sns.catplot(
    data=afghan_village, x='village_surveyed_desc', y='log_pop', kind='box',
    color='gray', height=4, aspect=1.5
).set(ylabel='Log population', xlabel='')
```

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Section 3.4.2: Nonresponse and Other Sources of Bias

Logar

Uruzgan

0.000000

0.020672

```
[]: afghan.groupby('province')['violent.exp.taliban'].apply(
         lambda x: x.isnull().mean()
     )
[]: province
    Helmand
                0.030409
                0.006349
     Khost
    Kunar
                0.000000
    Logar
                0.000000
    Uruzgan
                0.062016
    Name: violent.exp.taliban, dtype: float64
[]: afghan.groupby('province')['violent.exp.ISAF'].apply(
         lambda x: x.isnull().mean()
     )
[]: province
    Helmand
                0.016374
    Khost
                0.004762
    Kunar
                0.000000
```

```
Name: violent.exp.ISAF, dtype: float64
```

```
[]: (afghan['list.response'][afghan['list.group'] == 'ISAF'].mean() -
    afghan['list.response'][afghan['list.group'] == 'control'].mean())
```

[]: 0.0490196078431373

[]:	group	control	ISAF	taliban
	response			
	0	188	174	0
	1	265	278	433
	2	265	260	287
	3	200	182	198
	4	0	24	0

Section 3.5: Measuring Political Polarization

Section 3.6: Summarizing Bivariate Relationships

Section 3.6.1: Scatter Plot

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

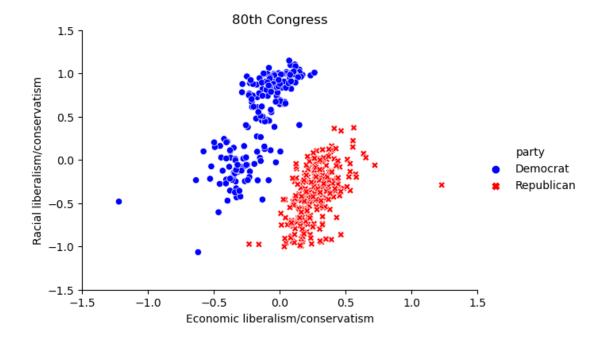
```
[]:
        congress
                 district
                              state
                                        party
                                                      name
                                                            dwnom1
                                                                    dwnom2
     0
                                                            -0.276
                                                                     0.016
              80
                         0
                                USA Democrat
                                                    TRUMAN
     1
              80
                         1 ALABAMA Democrat
                                                BOYKIN F.
                                                            -0.026
                                                                     0.796
     2
              80
                         2 ALABAMA
                                     Democrat
                                                 GRANT G.
                                                            -0.042
                                                                     0.999
     3
              80
                         3 ALABAMA Democrat ANDREWS G.
                                                            -0.008
                                                                     1.005
     4
              80
                         4 ALABAMA Democrat
                                                 HOBBS S.
                                                            -0.082
                                                                     1.066
```

[]: congress.dtypes

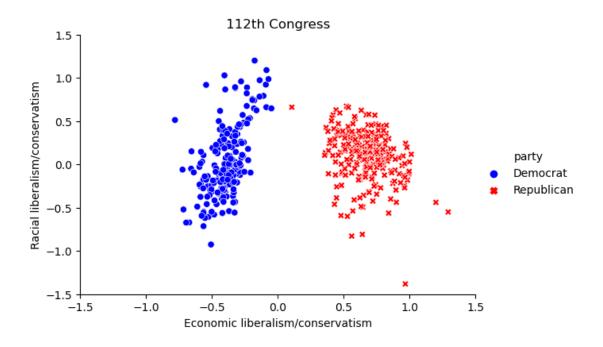
```
[]: congress int64
district int64
state object
party object
name object
dwnom1 float64
dwnom2 float64
```

dtype: object

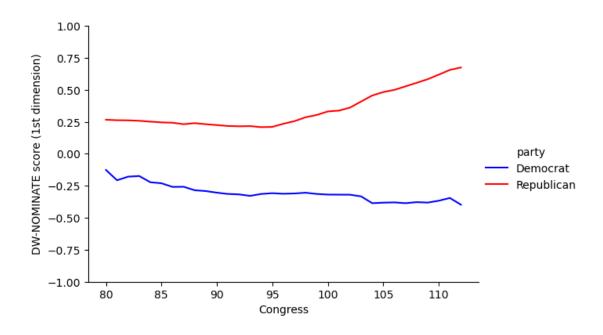
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[]: <seaborn.axisgrid.FacetGrid at 0x22535a37cd0>



[]: <seaborn.axisgrid.FacetGrid at 0x22535c86d40>



Section 3.6.2: Correlation

```
[]: gini = pd.read_csv('USGini.csv')
     Calculate the difference between the Republican and Democratic medians.
     pandas will try to align indexes in conducting vector arithmetic. Therefore,
     it is best to reset the index and drop the old one so that the indexes are the
     same. An alternative is to use numpy arrays.
     111
     med_diff = (
         dwn1_med['dwnom1'][dwn1_med.party=='Republican'].reset_index(drop=True) -
         dwn1_med['dwnom1'][dwn1_med.party=='Democrat'].reset_index(drop=True)
     )
     # time series plot for partisan differences
     \# notice, we can feed x and y directly
     sns.relplot(
         x=np.arange(1947.5, 2012.5, step=2), y=med_diff, kind='line',
         color='black', height=4, aspect=1.5
     ).set(title='Political Polarization', xlabel='Year',
           ylabel='Republican median - Democratic median')
```

[]: <seaborn.axisgrid.FacetGrid at 0x22535da7910>



```
[]: # time-series plot for Gini coefficient
sns.relplot(
    data=gini, x='year', y='gini', kind='line', color='black',
    height=4, aspect=1.5
).set(title='Income Inequality', ylabel='Gini coefficient', xlabel='Year')
```

[]: <seaborn.axisgrid.FacetGrid at 0x22535f77a60>



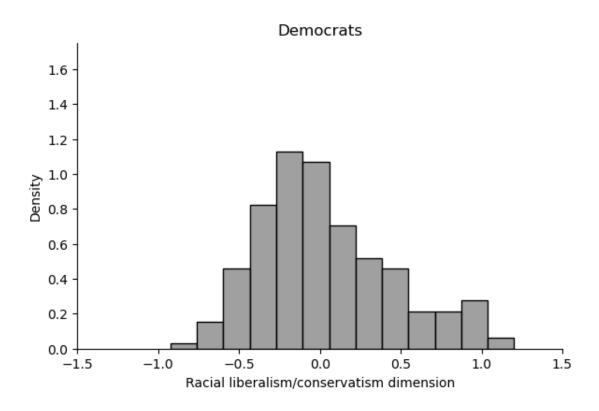
To correlate the partisan difference with the Gini coefficient, we need to select every other observation for the Gini starting with the second observation.

```
[]: (gini['gini'].iloc[np.arange(1, gini.shape[0], step=2)].
reset_index(drop=True).corr(med_diff))
```

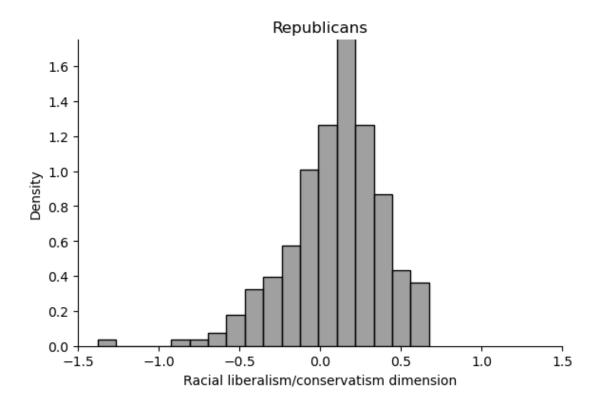
[]: 0.9418128160619333

Section 3.6.3: Quantile-Quantile Plot

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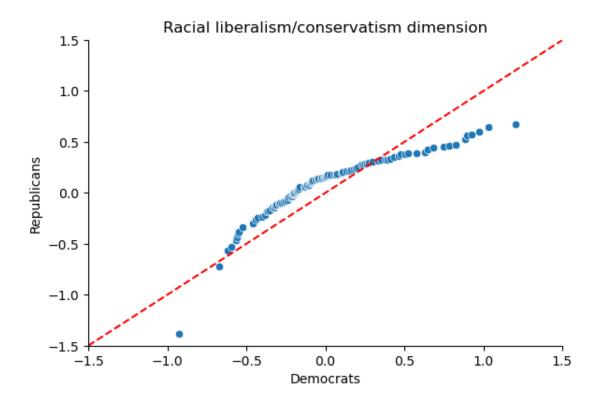


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Seaborn does not have a built-in function for Q-Q plots. However, we can create a scatterplot of the quantiles of two variables. The quantiles we plot need to be the same length. Below, we calculate and plot percentiles.

[]: <matplotlib.lines._AxLine at 0x225377a3a90>



Section 3.7: Clustering

Before implementing clustering with the k-Means algorithm, we discuss numpy arrays and objects in Python, both of which are important for many Python modeling libraries.

Section 3.7.1: Numpy Arrays

Thus far, we have used the numpy library for specific tasks, such as vectorized if-else statements using np.where() and log transformations using np.log(), but we have primarily relied on pandas for our analytical infrastructure. Understanding how numpy works is important for effective data analytics in Python. Indeed, pandas is built on top of numpy. While Python modeling libraries often work well with pandas, they occasionally work better with numpy, and many modeling outputs are numpy objects, as we will see in 3.7.3.

The fundamental numpy data structure is the N-dimensional array, known as the ndarray. For those coming from an R background, a one-dimensional numpy array is similar to a vector in R. There are a number of ways to create a numpy vector, depending on the analytical context.

```
[]: # One-dimensional arrays as vectors

# create a one-dimensional numpy array

## from a list
x = np.array([10, 20, 30, 40, 50])
```

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Х
[]: array([10, 20, 30, 40, 50])
[]: ## from a sequence
     y = np.arange(10, 60, 10)
     У
[]: array([10, 20, 30, 40, 50])
[]: | ## from random draws from a uniform distribution between 50 and 100
     z = np.random.uniform(low=50, high=100, size=10)
     z
[]: array([56.87441857, 91.88108259, 60.69070475, 56.30115992, 62.14235899,
            74.82719271, 86.16706291, 84.03827682, 87.39209682, 76.89900154])
    Indexing and slicing numpy arrays is similar to indexing and slicing Python lists.
[]: # select the first observation from z
     ## recall, Python uses zero-based indexing
     z[0]
[]: 56.8744185658357
[]: # select the first five observations from z
     ## recall, Python uses "up to but not including" slicing semantics
     z[0:5]
[]: array([56.87441857, 91.88108259, 60.69070475, 56.30115992, 62.14235899])
[]: # select the fifth observation onward
     z[4:]
[]: array([62.14235899, 74.82719271, 86.16706291, 84.03827682, 87.39209682,
            76.899001547)
    In base Python, we need to use for loops to perform operations on each element of a list. Numpy,
    by contrast, enables vectorized computations.
[]: | # conduct vectorized arithmetic: multiply each element by .25
```

18.70679818, 21.54176573, 21.0095692, 21.8480242, 19.22475039])

[]: array([14.21860464, 22.97027065, 15.17267619, 14.07528998, 15.53558975,

z * .25

```
[]: # conduct conditional vectorized arithmetic
     ## if an element is above 75, multiply by .25; otherwise, multiply by .75
     np.where(z > 75, z * .25, z * .75)
[]: array([42.65581392, 22.97027065, 45.51802857, 42.22586994, 46.60676924,
            56.12039453, 21.54176573, 21.0095692 , 21.8480242 , 19.22475039])
[]: # calculate the sum of the elements
     z.sum()
[]: 737.2133556365816
[]: # calculate the mean of the elements
     z.mean()
[]: 73.72133556365816
    Two-dimensional numpy arrays can be thought of as matrices.
[]: # create a two-dimensional numpy array from a range
     mat = np.arange(0, 10).reshape(5, 2)
     mat
[]: array([[0, 1],
            [2, 3],
            [4, 5],
            [6, 7],
            [8, 9]])
[]: # select the first row
     mat[0]
[]: array([0, 1])
[]: # select the second column
     mat[:,1]
[]: array([1, 3, 5, 7, 9])
[]: # select the first two rows and the second column
     mat[0:2, 1]
[]: array([1, 3])
[]: # calculate the sum of the columns
     mat.sum(axis=0)
[]: array([20, 25])
```

```
[]: # calculate the mean of the rows mat.mean(axis=1)
```

[]: array([0.5, 2.5, 4.5, 6.5, 8.5])

```
[]: # calculate the standard deviation of the columns mat.std(axis=0)
```

[]: array([2.82842712, 2.82842712])

If we intend to treat a two-dimensional numpy array as a matrix, then the array must have the same data type for all elements. A data frame can have different data types for each column.

```
[]: df = pd.DataFrame({'x': ['a', 'b', 'c'], 'y': [1, 2, 3]})

df.dtypes # contains a string and an integer
```

```
[]: x object
y int64
dtype: object
```

```
[]: # convert the data frame to a numpy array np.array(df)
```

Converting a data frame with heterogeneous data types to a numpy array produces a complex data structure that is effectively an array of Python lists. The overall data type is 'object,' but each list contains a string and an integer. The data structure is not a matrix, and should not be treated as such.

Python lists can contain different data types. If we try to convert a single list containing an integers and strings to a numpy array, the integers will be converted to strings.

```
[]: np.array([1, 2, 'a', 'b'])
```

```
[]: array(['1', '2', 'a', 'b'], dtype='<U11')
```

In many cases, modeling libraries accept pandas data structures directly. Often, on the back end, the libraries are converting the pandas objects to numpy arrays. In some cases, though, modeling routines require numpy arrays as inputs. For these cases, pandas has a convenience method to_numpy() that converts a data frame to a numpy array. Consistent with the illustration above, the method is meant to be used with homogenous data types.

Section 3.7.2: Objects in Python

In Python, it is said that "everything is an object." Python makes heavy use of object oriented programming (OOP), a programming paradigm that involves grouping code and data together

into objects. In OOP, an object is created from a template called a "class." The data associated with objects are generally called attributes, and the functions are called methods. Libraries like pandas, numpy, and seaborn are designed so that we do not have to worry too much about OOP particulars. Still, it is important to recognize that we are working with objects of specific classes that have attributes and methods.

[]: # check the object class

```
type(congress)
[]: pandas.core.frame.DataFrame
[]: | # review an object's methods and attributes; print the first 15
     dir(congress)[0:15]
[]:['T',
      '_AXIS_LEN',
      '_AXIS_ORDERS',
      '_AXIS_TO_AXIS_NUMBER',
      '_HANDLED_TYPES',
      '__abs__',
       __add__',
      '__and__',
      '__annotations__',
      '__array__',
      '__array_priority__',
      '__array_ufunc__',
      '__bool__',
       __class__',
      '__contains__']
[]: # use a list comprehension to view the non-private attributes and methods
     [item for item in dir(congress) if not item.startswith('_')][0:15]
[]:['T',
      'abs',
      'add',
      'add_prefix',
      'add_suffix',
      'agg',
      'aggregate',
      'align',
      'all',
      'any',
      'apply',
      'applymap',
      'asfreq',
      'asof',
      'assign']
```

```
[]: # review the data frame's shape "attribute" congress.shape
```

[]: (14552, 7)

As we will see in 3.7.3, some important modeling libraries in Python rely on a more conventional OOP workflow. In such a workflow, one generally follows a few key steps:

- Select a class.
- Instantiate an object of the class and set desired parameters.
- Use the object's methods to perform operations on data.
- Extract results from the object.

Section 3.7.3: The k-Means Algorithm

```
[]: from sklearn.cluster import KMeans

dwnom80 = congress.loc[congress['congress']==80, ['dwnom1', 'dwnom2']].copy()

dwnom112 = congress.loc[congress['congress']==112, ['dwnom1', 'dwnom2']].copy()

# kmeans with two clusters

## instantiate the model with parameters
k80two = KMeans(n_clusters=2, n_init=5)
k112two = KMeans(n_clusters=2, n_init=5)
```

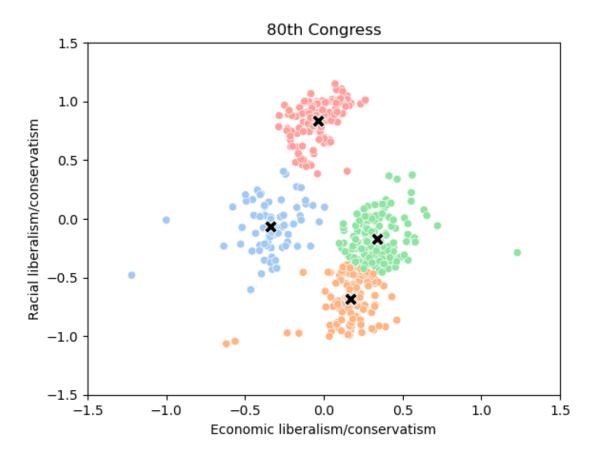
If you are working on Windows, you may get a warning about about memory leakage associated with using KMeans on Windows. The warning will likely recommend setting the environmental variable OPM_NUM_THREADS to a certain value. To do so, follow these steps:

- (1) Click on the Windows Search button
- (2) Type "Edit the system environment variables"
- (3) Select "Environment Variables"
- (4) Click "New" under "User variables for your username"
- (5) Enter "OMP_NUM_THREADS" for the variable name and '1' or the number recommended in the warning for the variable value
- (6) Click "OK" and close the windows

```
[]: ## fit the model to the data
     k80two.fit(dwnom80)
     k112two.fit(dwnom112)
     ## predict the clusters
     k80two_labels = k80two.predict(dwnom80)
     k112two_labels = k112two.predict(dwnom112)
     type(k80two_labels) # numpy.ndarray
[]: numpy.ndarray
[]: # Use a list comprehension to view the non-private methods and attributes
     [item for item in dir(k80two) if not item.startswith('_')]
[]: ['algorithm',
      'cluster_centers_',
      'copy_x',
      'feature_names_in_',
      'fit',
      'fit_predict',
      'fit_transform',
      'get_feature_names_out',
      'get_params',
      'inertia_',
      'init',
      'labels_',
      'max_iter',
      'n_clusters',
      'n_features_in_',
      'n_init',
      'n_iter_',
      'predict',
      'random_state',
      'score',
      'set_output',
      'set_params',
      'tol',
      'transform',
      'verbose']
[]: # final centroids
     k80two.cluster_centers_
[]: array([[ 0.15212662, -0.34353896],
            [-0.05605797, 0.76863044]])
[]: k112two.cluster_centers_
```

```
[]: array([[ 0.6753251 , 0.09296708],
            [-0.39376
                      , 0.029455 ]])
[]: type(k112two.cluster_centers_) # numpy.ndarray
[]: numpy.ndarray
[]: # number of observations for each cluster by party
    pd.crosstab(congress['party'][congress.congress == 80],
                 k80two_labels, colnames=['cluster'])
[]: cluster
                  0
                       1
    party
    Democrat
                 59 135
    Other
                       0
    Republican 247
[]: pd.crosstab(congress['party'][congress.congress == 112],
                k112two_labels, colnames=['cluster'])
[]: cluster
    party
    Democrat
                  0 200
    Republican 243
                       0
[]: # k means with four clusters
    k80four = KMeans(n_clusters=4, n_init=5)
    k112four = KMeans(n_clusters=4, n_init=5)
    k80four.fit(dwnom80)
    k112four.fit(dwnom112)
    k80four_labels = k80four.predict(dwnom80)
    k112four_labels = k112four.predict(dwnom112)
[]: # plot the centroids over the clusters using subplots
    fix, ax = plt.subplots(1,1)
    sns.scatterplot(
        data=dwnom80, x='dwnom1', y='dwnom2', hue=k80four_labels, legend=False,
        palette='pastel', ax=ax,
        ).set(title='80th Congress', xlabel=xlab, ylabel=ylab, xlim=lim, ylim=lim)
    sns.scatterplot(
        x=k80four.cluster_centers_[:,0], y=k80four.cluster_centers_[:,1],
        legend=False, color='black', s=100, marker='X', ax=ax,
        )
```

[]: <Axes: title={'center': '80th Congress'}, xlabel='Economic liberalism/conservatism', ylabel='Racial liberalism/conservatism'>

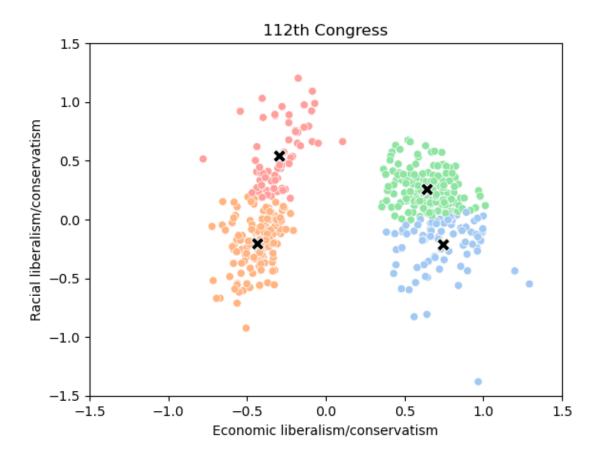


```
[]: # repeat for 112th congress
fix, ax = plt.subplots(1,1)

sns.scatterplot(
   data=dwnom112, x='dwnom1', y='dwnom2', hue=k112four_labels, legend=False,
   palette='pastel', ax=ax,
   ).set(title='112th Congress', xlabel=xlab, ylabel=ylab, xlim=lim, ylim=lim)

sns.scatterplot(
   x=k112four.cluster_centers_[:,0], y=k112four.cluster_centers_[:,1],
   legend=False, color='black', s=100, marker='X', ax=ax,
   )
```

[]: <Axes: title={'center': '112th Congress'}, xlabel='Economic liberalism/conservatism', ylabel='Racial liberalism/conservatism'>



Appendix: Customizing Plots

This appendix demonstrates how to use themes, sub-plots, facets, and groupings to compare distributions and relationships.

Section A.1: Grouped Bar Plot

```
[]: # Recall the univariate distributions
     ISAF_ptable
[]:
        violent.exp.ISAF
                          proportion
                                          response
                             0.619463
                                           No harm
                     0.0
     1
                     1.0
                             0.371460
                                              Harm
     2
                     NaN
                             0.009078
                                       Nonresponse
    Taliban_ptable
[]:
        violent.exp.taliban
                              proportion
                                             response
                                              No harm
     0
                        0.0
                                0.657952
     1
                        1.0
                                0.322440
                                                 Harm
```

NaN 0.019608 Nonresponse

We can view these distributions side-by-side in a barplot using groupings. Grouped visualizations work best in seaborn when the grouping variable is in its own column.

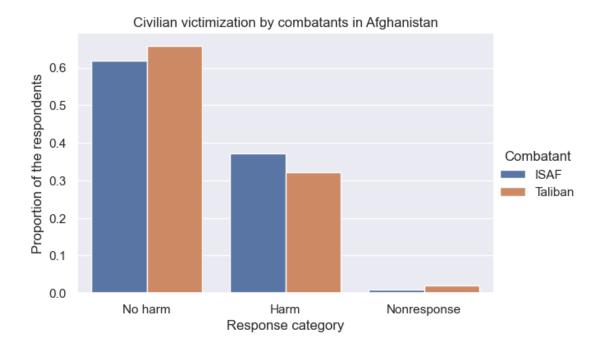
```
[]:
        proportion
                       response Combatant
          0.619463
                        No harm
                                      ISAF
     1
          0.371460
                           Harm
                                      ISAF
     2
          0.009078 Nonresponse
                                      ISAF
     0
                        No harm
          0.657952
                                   Taliban
          0.322440
                           Harm
                                   Taliban
     1
          0.019608 Nonresponse
                                   Taliban
```

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Use the hue argument to specify the grouping variable and distinguish the groups by color.

```
[]: sns.set_theme(style="darkgrid")
sns.catplot(
    data=combatants_ptable, x='response', y='proportion', kind='bar',
    estimator=sum, hue='Combatant', height=4, aspect=1.5
).set(xlabel='Response category', ylabel='Proportion of the respondents',
    title='Civilian victimization by combatants in Afghanistan')
```

[]: <seaborn.axisgrid.FacetGrid at 0x225385fbc10>

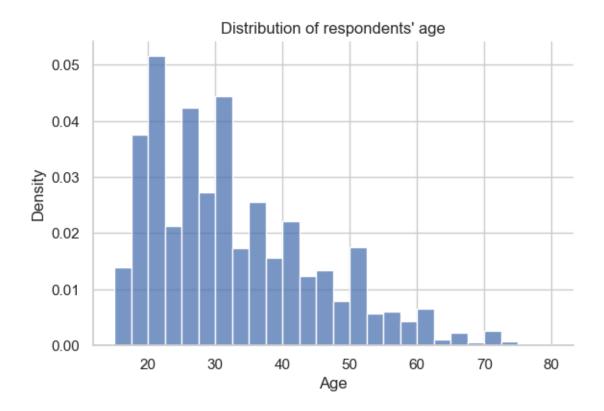


Section A.2: Histogram

```
[]: # Use a different seaborn theme
sns.set_theme(style="whitegrid")

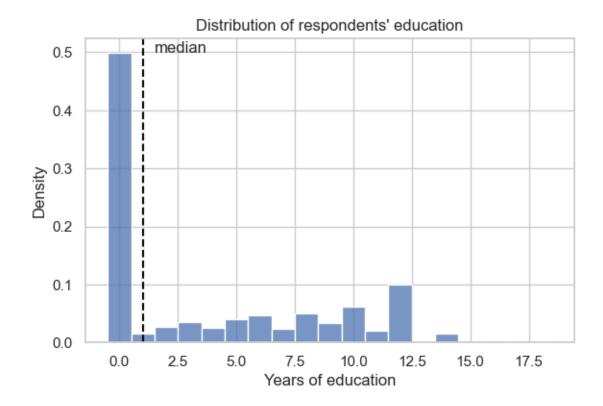
sns.displot(
    data=afghan, x='age', stat='density', height=4, aspect=1.5
).set(title="Distribution of respondents' age", xlabel='Age')
```

[]: <seaborn.axisgrid.FacetGrid at 0x225385fbb50>



By default, seaborn removes the top and right plot spines. We can use the despine() method to add them back.

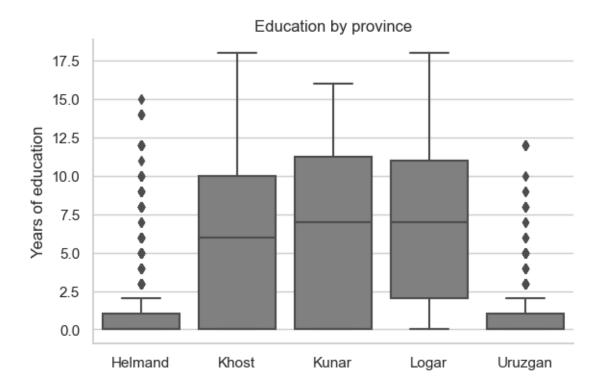
[]: Text(1.5, 0.5, 'median')



Section A.3: Box Plots and Subplots

```
[]: sns.catplot(
    data=afghan, x='province', y='educ.years', kind='box', color='gray',
    height=4, aspect=1.5
).set(title='Education by province', xlabel='', ylabel='Years of education')
```

[]: <seaborn.axisgrid.FacetGrid at 0x225386c0ac0>



[]: afghan_village.head()

```
[]:
                  population village.surveyed village_surveyed_desc
        altitude
                                                                       log_pop
    0 1959.0800
                         197
                                                             Sampled 5.283204
                                             1
    1 2425.8799
                         744
                                             0
                                                          Nonsampled 6.612041
    2 2236.6001
                         179
                                             1
                                                             Sampled
                                                                      5.187386
    3 1691.7600
                                                          Nonsampled
                         225
                                             0
                                                                      5.416100
    4 1928.0400
                         379
                                             0
                                                          Nonsampled 5.937536
```

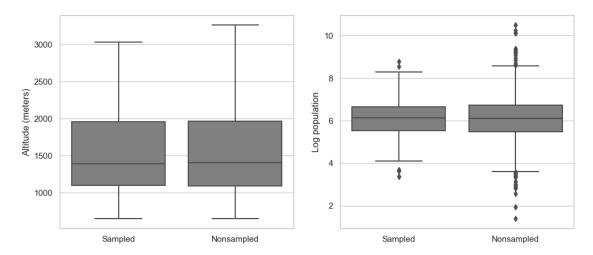
Creating subplots requires using matplotlib subplots and seaborn axes-level plotting functions.

```
fig, axs = plt.subplots(1, 2, figsize=(12, 5))

# boxplots for altitude
sns.boxplot(
    data=afghan_village, x='village_surveyed_desc', y='altitude',
    color='gray', ax=axs[0]
).set(ylabel='Altitude (meters)', xlabel='')

# boxplots for log population
sns.boxplot(
    data=afghan_village, x='village_surveyed_desc', y='log_pop',
    color='gray', ax=axs[1]
).set(ylabel='Log population', xlabel='')
```

[]: [Text(0, 0.5, 'Log population'), Text(0.5, 0, '')]



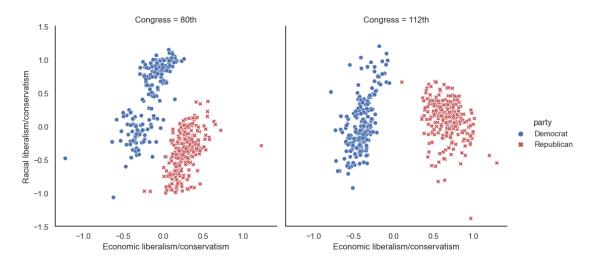
Section A.4: Scatterplots and Facets

```
[]: congress.head()
[]:
        congress
                  district
                               state
                                         party
                                                              dwnom1
                                                                      dwnom2
                                                        name
                                                                        0.016
              80
                                 USA
                                      Democrat
                                                      TRUMAN
                                                              -0.276
     0
                         0
                                                              -0.026
                                                                       0.796
     1
              80
                          1
                            ALABAMA
                                      Democrat
                                                  BOYKIN
                                                         F.
     2
              80
                          2
                           ALABAMA
                                                          G.
                                                              -0.042
                                                                        0.999
                                      Democrat
                                                  GRANT
     3
              80
                          3
                            ALABAMA
                                      Democrat
                                                ANDREWS
                                                          G.
                                                              -0.008
                                                                        1.005
              80
                            ALABAMA
                                                  HOBBS
                                                          S.
                                                              -0.082
                                                                        1.066
                                      Democrat
[]: # create a new column that formats congress as a string
     congress['Congress'] = congress['congress'].astype(str) + 'th'
     congress[['congress', 'Congress']].head()
[]:
        congress Congress
              80
                     80th
     1
                     80th
              80
     2
              80
                     80th
                     80th
     3
              80
              80
                     80th
[]: # recall, we stored some plotting parameters for re-use
     xlab
[]: 'Economic liberalism/conservatism'
[]: lim
```

[]: (-1.5, 1.5)

We can specify a variable for facets using the col argument.

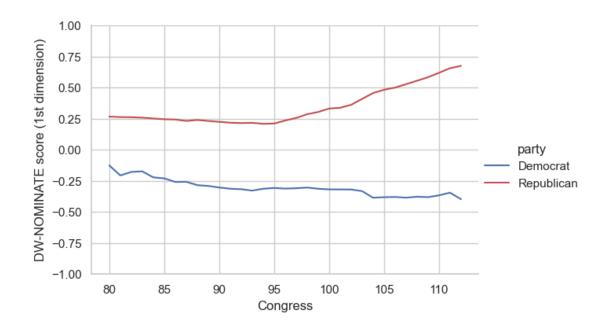
[]: <seaborn.axisgrid.FacetGrid at 0x22539beabc0>



Section A.5: Comparing Time Series

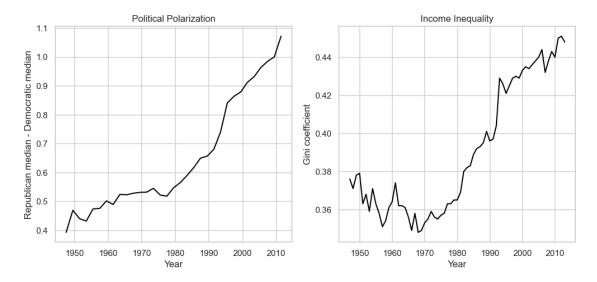
```
[]: sns.set_theme(style="whitegrid")
sns.relplot(
   data=dwn1_med, x='congress', y='dwnom1', hue='party', kind='line',
   palette=['b', 'r'], height=4, aspect=1.5
).set(ylim=(-1, 1), xlabel='Congress',
   ylabel='DW-NOMINATE score (1st dimension)')
```

[]: <seaborn.axisgrid.FacetGrid at 0x225385fbf10>



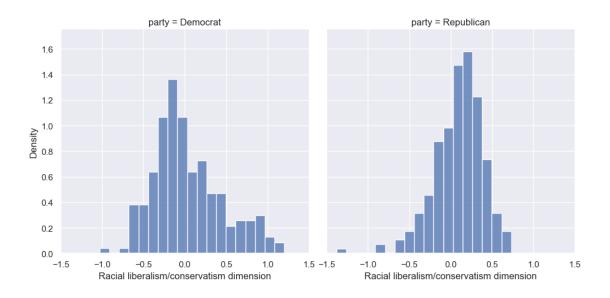
```
[]: # recall, we calculated median differences
     med_diff.head()
[]: 0
          0.3925
          0.4690
     1
     2
          0.4400
     3
          0.4315
     4
          0.4735
     Name: dwnom1, dtype: float64
[]: # Plot political polarization and income inequality side-by-side
     fig, axs = plt.subplots(1, 2, figsize=(12, 5))
     # time series plot for partisan differences
     # notice, we can feed x and y directly
     sns.lineplot(
         x=np.arange(1947.5, 2012.5, step=2), y=med_diff, color='black', ax=axs[0]
     ).set(title='Political Polarization', xlabel='Year',
           ylabel='Republican median - Democratic median')
     # time-series plot for Gini coefficient
     sns.lineplot(
         data=gini, x='year', y='gini', color='black', ax=axs[1]
     ).set(title='Income Inequality', ylabel='Gini coefficient', xlabel='Year')
[]: [Text(0.5, 1.0, 'Income Inequality'),
     Text(0, 0.5, 'Gini coefficient'),
```

Text(0.5, 0, 'Year')]



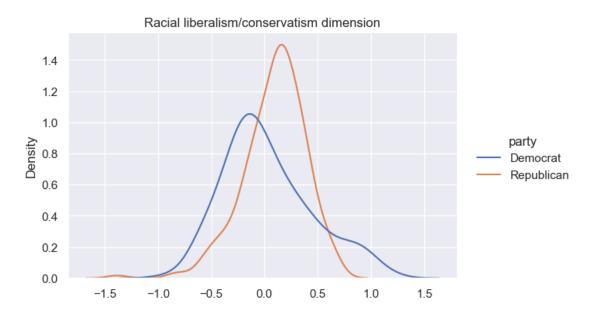
Section A.6: Comparing Distributions

[]: <seaborn.axisgrid.FacetGrid at 0x2253a43f8b0>



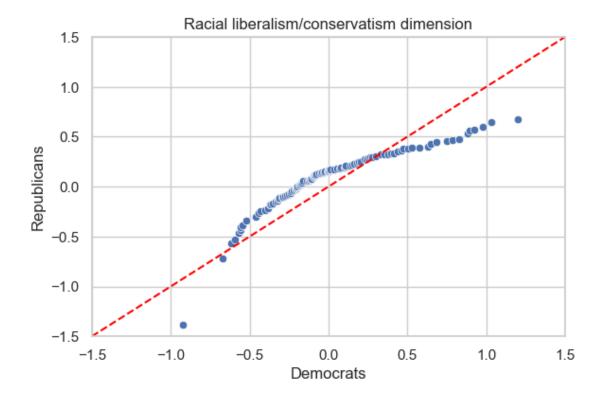
A kernel density estimation (KDE) plot is useful if we want to overlay distributions.

[]: <seaborn.axisgrid.FacetGrid at 0x2253ad53bb0>



```
[]: # recall, we developed percentiles to build a Q-Q plot
     demq.head()
[]: 0.00
           -0.92500
     0.01
           -0.67241
     0.02
           -0.61904
    0.03
           -0.59336
     0.04
           -0.56652
    Name: dwnom2, dtype: float64
[]: # Quantile-Quantile Plot
     sns.set_theme(style="whitegrid")
     sns.relplot(
         x = demq, y = repq, height=4, aspect=1.5
     ).set(xlabel='Democrats', ylabel='Republicans',
           title='Racial liberalism/conservatism dimension',
           ylim=(-1.5, 1.5), xlim=(-1.5, 1.5)).despine(
                 right=False, top=False
     plt.gca().axline((0, 0), slope=1, color='red', linestyle='--')
```

[]: <matplotlib.lines._AxLine at 0x2253adb6980>



Section A.7: Comparing Clusters

```
[]: # recall our plotting inputs for the cluster plots
    dwnom80.head()
[]:
       dwnom1 dwnom2
    0 -0.276
                0.016
    1 -0.026
                0.796
    2 -0.042
                0.999
    3 -0.008
                1.005
    4 -0.082
                1.066
[]: k80four_labels[:10]
[]: array([0, 3, 3, 3, 3, 3, 3, 3, 3])
[]: k112four.cluster_centers_
[]: array([[ 0.74096512, -0.21222093],
            [-0.43576812, -0.20002899],
            [ 0.64278205, 0.25755769],
            [-0.29379365, 0.54219048]])
[]: # plot the clusters side-by-side
    fig, axs = plt.subplots(1,2, figsize=(12, 5))
    sns.scatterplot(
        data=dwnom80, x='dwnom1', y='dwnom2', hue=k80four_labels, legend=False,
        palette='pastel', ax=axs[0], # plot 1
        ).set(title='80th Congress', xlabel=xlab, ylabel=ylab, xlim=lim, ylim=lim)
    sns.scatterplot(
        x=k80four.cluster_centers_[:,0], y=k80four.cluster_centers_[:,1],
        legend=False, color='black', s=100, marker='X', ax=axs[0], # plot 1
        )
    sns.scatterplot(
        data=dwnom112, x='dwnom1', y='dwnom2', hue=k112four_labels, legend=False,
        palette='pastel', ax=axs[1], # plot 2
        ).set(title='112th Congress', xlabel=xlab, ylabel='', xlim=lim, ylim=lim)
    sns.scatterplot(
        x=k112four.cluster_centers_[:,0], y=k112four.cluster_centers_[:,1],
        legend=False, color='black', s=100, marker='X', ax=axs[1], # plot 2
```

[]: <Axes: title={'center': '112th Congress'}, xlabel='Economic liberalism/conservatism'>

