Supporting Document for Thesis II

Codes

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Data Collection

1. Geoindicators Extraction (gee.js)

Purpose: Compute annual geospatial indicators (e.g., NDVI, NDBI, Land Surface Temperature) for each Swedish county using Google Earth Engine (GEE).

- 1. **Initialization:** Load the Earth Engine API, authenticate, and define the study region by importing county boundary shapefiles.
- 2. Satellite Band Selection: Specify spectral bands or indices (e.g., MODIS/006/MOD11A2 for LST, LANDSAT/LC08/C01/T1_SR for NDVI).
- 3. Composite Creation: For each year:
 - Filter image collections by date range.
 - Apply cloud masking functions.
 - Calculate mean or median composites per county polygon.
- 4. **Indicator Computation:** Derive additional indices, e.g., NDVI = (NIR Red) / (NIR + Red).
- 5. **Aggregation:** Use reduceRegion with ee.Reducer.mean() and ee.Reducer.stdDev() over each county geometry.
- 6. Export: Write the annual statistics as CSV files to a specified Google Drive folder.

```
// -----
// ANNUAL GEOINDICATORS FOR SWEDEN (COUNTY LEVEL) - 2024
// Computes yearly averages for 2024, falling back to the most recent available year if need
// Updated : 2025-05-11
// -----
// PARAMETERS
var targetYear = '2024',
   fallbackYear = '2023',
   startDate = targetYear + '-01-01',
   endDate = targetYear + '-12-31',
fbStart = fallbackYear + '-01-01',
   fbEnd = fallbackYear + '-12-31';
// O. ADMINISTRATIVE UNITS
var counties = ee.FeatureCollection('projects/geodata-458113/assets/SWE adm1');
var simplifiedCounties = counties.map(function(f) {
 return f.simplify({maxError: 100});
});
// -----
// 1. INDICATORS - YEARLY AVERAGES
// NIGHTTIME LIGHTS (VIIRS DNB Monthly)
// Dataset: NOAA/VIIRS/DNB/MONTHLY_V1/VCMCFG
// Definition: Average radiance (avg_rad) from nighttime lights
// Purpose: Proxy for human activity & economic development
// Period: January 1 - December 31 (annual)
// Resolution: ~500 m
// More info: https://developers.google.com/earth-engine/datasets/catalog/NOAA VIIRS DNB MON
                  = ee.ImageCollection('NOAA/VIIRS/DNB/MONTHLY_V1/VCMCFG')
var viirsCol
                      .filterDate(startDate, endDate)
                      .select('avg_rad');
                 = viirsCol.size().gt(0);
var viirsAvail
var viirsFallbackCol = ee.ImageCollection('NOAA/VIIRS/DNB/MONTHLY_V1/VCMCFG')
                      .filterDate(fbStart, fbEnd)
                      .select('avg_rad');
                 = ee.Image(ee.Algorithms.If(
var viirsImg
                      viirsAvail,
                      viirsCol.mean(),
                      viirsFallbackCol.mean()
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)).rename('VIIRS_avg_2024');
var viirsYear
                     = ee.String(ee.Algorithms.If(viirsAvail, targetYear, fallbackYear));
// URBAN COVER (Dynamic World)
// Dataset: GOOGLE/DYNAMICWORLD/V1
// Definition: Pixel-level classification; class 6 = built area
// Purpose: Proxy for built-up extent
// Period: January 1 - December 31 (annual)
// Resolution: 10 m
// More info: https://developers.google.com/earth-engine/datasets/catalog/GOOGLE_DYNAMICWORL
                 = ee.ImageCollection('GOOGLE/DYNAMICWORLD/V1')
                          .filterDate(startDate, endDate)
                          .select('label');
                  = dwCol.size().gt(0);
var dwAvail
var dwFallbackCol = ee.ImageCollection('GOOGLE/DYNAMICWORLD/V1')
                          .filterDate(fbStart, fbEnd)
                          .select('label');
var urbanBinary = ee.Image(ee.Algorithms.If(
                          dwAvail,
                          dwCol.mode().eq(6),
                          dwFallbackCol.mode().eq(6)
                        ));
                  = urbanBinary.multiply(100).rename('Urban_pct_2024');
var urbanImg
                  = ee.String(ee.Algorithms.If(dwAvail, targetYear, fallbackYear));
var urbanYear
// NDVI (MODIS Terra)
// Dataset: MODIS/006/MOD13A2
// Definition: NDVI at 1 km; scale factor ×0.0001
// Purpose: Vegetation greenness proxy
// Period: January 1 - December 31 (annual)
// Resolution: 1 km
// More info: https://developers.google.com/earth-engine/datasets/catalog/MODIS_006_MOD13A2
                    = ee.ImageCollection('MODIS/006/MOD13A2')
var ndviCol
                          .filterDate(startDate, endDate)
                          .select('NDVI');
var ndviAvail
                    = ndviCol.size().gt(0);
var ndviFallbackCol = ee.ImageCollection('MODIS/006/MOD13A2')
                          .filterDate(fbStart, fbEnd)
                          .select('NDVI');
                    = ee.Image(ee.Algorithms.If(
var ndviImg
                          ndviAvail,
                          ndviCol.mean(),
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ndviFallbackCol.mean()
                        )).multiply(0.0001)
                          .rename('NDVI_avg_2024');
var ndviYear
                    = ee.String(ee.Algorithms.If(ndviAvail, targetYear, fallbackYear));
// LAND-SURFACE TEMPERATURE (MODIS)
// Dataset: MODIS/061/MOD11A2
// Definition: 8-day mean daytime LST at 1 km; scale factor ×0.02; convert to °C by subtract
// Purpose: Thermal anomaly proxy
// Period: January 1 - December 31 (annual)
// Resolution: 1 km
// More info: https://developers.google.com/earth-engine/datasets/catalog/MODIS_061_MOD11A2
                   = ee.ImageCollection('MODIS/061/MOD11A2')
var lstCol
                          .filterDate(startDate, endDate)
                          .select('LST_Day_1km');
                   = lstCol.size().gt(0);
var lstAvail
var lstFallbackCol = ee.ImageCollection('MODIS/061/MOD11A2')
                          .filterDate(fbStart, fbEnd)
                          .select('LST_Day_1km');
                   = ee.Image(ee.Algorithms.If(
var lstImg
                          1stAvail,
                          lstCol.mean(),
                          lstFallbackCol.mean()
                        )).multiply(0.02)
                          .subtract(273.15)
                          .rename('LST_C_2024');
var lstYear
                   = ee.String(ee.Algorithms.If(lstAvail, targetYear, fallbackYear));
// PRECIPITATION TOTAL (CHIRPS)
// Dataset: UCSB-CHG/CHIRPS/DAILY
// Definition: Daily precipitation sum (mm)
// Purpose: Wet/dry anomaly proxy
// Period: January 1 - December 31 (annual)
// Resolution: ~5 km
// More info: https://developers.google.com/earth-engine/datasets/catalog/UCSB_CHG_CHIRPS_DA
                    = ee.ImageCollection('UCSB-CHG/CHIRPS/DAILY')
var prcpCol
                            .filterDate(startDate, endDate);
var prcpAvail
                    = prcpCol.size().gt(0);
var prcpFallbackCol = ee.ImageCollection('UCSB-CHG/CHIRPS/DAILY')
                            .filterDate(fbStart, fbEnd);
var prcpImg
                    = ee.Image(ee.Algorithms.If(
                            prcpAvail,
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prcpCol.sum(),
                            prcpFallbackCol.sum()
                          )).rename('Precip_mm_2024');
var prcpYear
                    = ee.String(ee.Algorithms.If(prcpAvail, targetYear, fallbackYear));
// TROPOSPHERIC NO (Sentinel-5P)
// Dataset: COPERNICUS/S5P/OFFL/L3_NO2
// Definition: Tropospheric NO column density (µmol/m²)
// Purpose: Emissions proxy
// Period: January 1 - December 31 (annual)
// Resolution: ~7 km
// More info: https://developers.google.com/earth-engine/datasets/catalog/COPERNICUS_S5P_OFF
                   = ee.ImageCollection('COPERNICUS/S5P/OFFL/L3_NO2')
var no2Col
                          .filterDate(startDate, endDate)
                          .select('tropospheric_NO2_column_number_density');
                   = no2Col.size().gt(0);
var no2Avail
var no2FallbackCol = ee.ImageCollection('COPERNICUS/S5P/OFFL/L3_NO2')
                          .filterDate(fbStart, fbEnd)
                          .select('tropospheric_NO2_column_number_density');
                   = ee.Image(ee.Algorithms.If(
var no2Img
                          no2Avail,
                          no2Col.mean(),
                          no2FallbackCol.mean()
                        )).rename('NO2_mol_m2_2024');
                   = ee.String(ee.Algorithms.If(no2Avail, targetYear, fallbackYear));
var no2Year
// SOIL-MOISTURE (GLDAS-2.1 NOAH)
// Dataset: NASA/GLDAS/V021/NOAH/G025/T3H
// Definition: Soil moisture top 10 cm (SoilMoi0_10cm_inst)
// Purpose: Surface soil-water proxy
// Period: January 1 - December 31 (annual)
// Resolution: ~25 km
// More info: https://developers.google.com/earth-engine/datasets/catalog/NASA_GLDAS_VO21_NO.
                  = ee.ImageCollection('NASA/GLDAS/V021/NOAH/G025/T3H')
var smCol
                          .filterDate(startDate, endDate)
                          .select('SoilMoi0_10cm_inst');
                  = smCol.size().gt(0);
var smAvail
var smFallbackCol = ee.ImageCollection('NASA/GLDAS/VO21/NOAH/GO25/T3H')
                          .filterDate(fbStart, fbEnd)
                          .select('SoilMoi0_10cm_inst');
var smImg
                  = ee.Image(ee.Algorithms.If(
                          smAvail,
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smCol.mean(),
                       smFallbackCol.mean()
                     )).rename('SoilM_m3m3_2024');
                = ee.String(ee.Algorithms.If(smAvail, targetYear, fallbackYear));
var smYear
// ELEVATION & SLOPE (Copernicus GLO-30 Latest)
// Dataset: COPERNICUS/DEM/GL030
// Definition: Digital elevation model; Slope derived from DEM
// Purpose: Terrain ruggedness proxy
// Epoch: 2024 (latest GLO-30 mosaic)
// Resolution: 30 m
// More info: https://developers.google.com/earth-engine/datasets/catalog/COPERNICUS_DEM_GLO
               = ee.ImageCollection('COPERNICUS/DEM/GLO30')
var demImg
                       .select('DEM')
                       .mosaic()
                       .rename('Elevation_m_2024');
var slopeImg = ee.Terrain.slope(demImg)
                       .rename('Slope_deg_2024');
var topoYear
               = targetYear;
// 2. COMBINE & REDUCE
var multi = ee.Image.cat([
 viirsImg, urbanImg, ndviImg,
 lstImg, prcpImg, no2Img, smImg,
 demImg, slopeImg
]);
var countiesWithMeta = simplifiedCounties.map(function(f) {
 return f.set({
   'VIIRS_year' : viirsYear,
   'Urban_year' : urbanYear,
   'NDVI_year' : ndviYear,
   'LST_year' : lstYear,
   'Precip_year': prcpYear,
   'NO2_year' : no2Year,
   'SoilM_year' : smYear,
   'Topo_year' : topoYear
 });
});
```

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var stats = multi.reduceRegions({
 collection: countiesWithMeta,
 reducer: ee.Reducer.mean(),
 scale: 1000,
 crs: 'EPSG:4326'
});
// 3. EXPORT & VISUALISE
Export.table.toDrive({
 collection : stats,
 description: 'Sweden_Annual_Geoindicators_2024',
         : 'unsae',
 fileFormat : 'CSV'
});
Map.centerObject(simplifiedCounties);
Map.addLayer(viirsImg, {min:0, max:50}, 'VIIRS 2024');
Map.addLayer(urbanImg, {min:0, max:100}, 'Urban % 2024');
Map.addLayer(ndviImg, {min:0, max:0.8}, 'NDVI 2024');
Map.addLayer(lstImg, {min:-10, max:35}, 'LST 2024');
Map.addLayer(prcpImg, {}, 'Precip 2024');
Map.addLayer(no2Img, {}, 'NO2 2024');
Map.addLayer(smImg, {}, 'SoilM 2024');
Map.addLayer(demImg, {}, 'Elevation 2024');
Map.addLayer(slopeImg, {}, 'Slope 2024');
```

2. Direct Unemployment Estimates (1_SCBdirect_estimate.py)

Purpose: Retrieve and process direct unemployment counts per county from Statistics Sweden (SCB) API.

- 1. Library Imports: Use requests, pandas, and json for HTTP calls and data handling.
- 2. API Authentication: No key required; set headers for JSON content.
- 3. **Endpoint Definition:** Define URL and query parameters to request unemployment by county and year.

- 4. **Data Fetching:** Loop over target years, send POST requests, and collect JSON responses.
- 5. **Data Cleaning:** Normalize nested JSON into tabular form, rename columns for clarity, and filter out incomplete records.
- 6. Output: Save combined DataFrame as direct_unemployment.csv in the data folder.

```
import json
import requests
import pandas as pd
from io import StringIO
from pathlib import Path
# ----- 1. Load the Query Object and Table ID ------
config_path = Path("data/directEstimate.json")
with config_path.open("r", encoding="utf-8") as f:
   cfg = json.load(f)
payload = cfg["queryObj"]
table_id = cfg["tableIdForQuery"]
# ----- 2. Build the API URL ------
url = f"https://api.scb.se/OV0104/v1/doris/en/ssd/START/AM/AM0401/AM0401N/{table_id}"
headers = {"Content-Type": "application/json"}
# ----- 3. Fetch the Data -----
r = requests.post(url, json=payload, headers=headers)
r.raise_for_status() # Raise an error if the request failed
# ----- 4. Parse According to Response Format -----
fmt = payload.get("response", {}).get("format", "").lower()
# Make sure 'data/' directory exists
data_dir = Path("data")
data_dir.mkdir(parents=True, exist_ok=True)
if fmt == "csv":
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# If the response is CSV format, read it into a DataFrame
   df = pd.read_csv(StringIO(r.text), sep=",")
   # Pick and rename the important columns
   df_selected = df.rename(columns={
        "region": "County",
        "Percent 2025K1": "Percent_2025K1",
        "Margin of error ± percent 2025K1": "Percent_2025K1_me"
   })[["County", "Percent_2025K1", "Percent_2025K1_me"]]
   # Clean the 'County' names: remove leading numbers and "county" word
   df_selected["County"] = (
       df_selected["County"]
        .str.replace(r"^\d+\s+", "", regex=True)  # Remove leading numbers and spaces
        .str.replace(r"\scounty$", "", regex=True) # Remove " county" at the end
                                                     # Remove any leading/trailing whitespace
        .str.strip()
   )
   # Save the cleaned DataFrame to CSV
   output_filename = "direct_estimates.csv"
   out_csv = data_dir / output_filename
   df_selected.to_csv(out_csv, index=False)
   print(f" Data saved to {out_csv.resolve()}")
elif fmt == "px":
   # If the response is PX format, save it as a PX file
   output_filename = f"{table_id}.px"
   out_px = data_dir / output_filename
   out_px.write_text(r.text, encoding="utf-8")
   print(f" PC-Axis file saved to {out_px.resolve()}")
   # (Optional) Code example to read PX file later:
   # import pxpy
   # table = pxpy.read_pxd(str(out_px))
   # df = table.to_dataframe()
   # print(df.head())
else:
   # If the format is unknown, print the raw response
   print(" Response format not recognized. Here is the raw text:")
   print(r.text)
```

Population Density Data (2_SCBpopDensity.py)

Purpose: Calculate population density per county by combining population counts and land area from SCB.

- 1. Imports: requests, pandas, and numpy.
- 2. **Population Query:** Request BE/BE0101 table for population totals by county.
- 3. Area Query: Request KM/KT0103 table for land area in square kilometers.
- 4. Merging Data: Join population and area tables on county codes.
- 5. **Density Calculation:** Compute density = population / area (persons per km²).
- 6. Data Validation: Check for zero or missing areas to avoid division errors.
- 7. Output: Export population_density.csv for downstream merging.

```
import json
import requests
import pandas as pd
import re
from io import StringIO
from pathlib import Path
# 1. Load the query object and table ID from disk
config_path = Path("data/popdensity.json")
with config_path.open("r", encoding="utf-8") as f:
    cfg = json.load(f)
payload = cfg["queryObj"]
table_id = cfg["tableIdForQuery"]
# 2. Build the URL dynamically
url = f"https://api.scb.se/OV0104/v1/doris/en/ssd/START/BE/BE0101/BE0101C/{table id}"
headers = {"Content-Type": "application/json"}
# 3. Fetch the data
r = requests.post(url, json=payload, headers=headers)
r.raise_for_status()
# 4. Parse according to response format
```

```
fmt = payload.get("response", {}).get("format", "").lower()
# 5. Handle CSV response
if fmt == "csv":
    df = pd.read_csv(StringIO(r.text), sep=",")
    # Pick and rename columns appropriately
    df_selected = df.rename(columns={
        "region": "County",
        "Population density per sq. km 2024": "PopDensity_2024"
    })[["County", "PopDensity_2024"]]
    # Clean 'County' names
    df_selected["County"] = (
        df_selected["County"]
        .str.replace(r"^\d+\s+", "", regex=True) # remove leading numbers
        .str.replace(r"\scounty$", "", regex=True, flags=re.IGNORECASE) # remove "county"
        .str.strip()
    )
    # Ensure 'data/' directory exists
    data_dir = Path("data")
    data_dir.mkdir(parents=True, exist_ok=True)
    # Save the cleaned DataFrame
    output_filename = "popdensity.csv"
    out_csv = data_dir / output_filename
    df_selected.to_csv(out_csv, index=False)
    print(f"Data saved to {out_csv.resolve()}")
elif fmt == "px":
    data_dir = Path("data")
    data_dir.mkdir(parents=True, exist_ok=True)
    output_filename = f"{table_id}.px"
    out_px = data_dir / output_filename
    out_px.write_text(r.text, encoding="utf-8")
    print(f"PC-Axis file saved to {out_px.resolve()}")
else:
    print("Response format not recognized. Here's the raw text:")
   print(r.text)
```

Data Preprocessing

4. Load Libraries (R/1_load_libraries.R)

Purpose: Ensure all required R packages are installed and loaded for spatial and statistical analysis.

- 1. Install Missing Packages: Check for packages (tidyverse, sf, spdep, INLA, gt, leaflet, etc.) and install if absent.
- 2. Library Loading: Load each package into the R session.
- 3. Version Logging: Print package versions to console for reproducibility.

```
# 1 load libraries.R
# -----
# 1. Library Loader
# -----
# 2. Required Packages
# Vector of packages needed for this project
# Include all libraries used across preprocessing, visualization, and SAE scripts
target_pkgs <- c(</pre>
 "sf", # spatial data handling
 "tidyverse", # data manipulation & visualization
 "emdi",  # small area estimation
"tmap",  # thematic mapping
"glmnet",  # regularized regression
"here",  # project-relative file paths
 "conflicted", # manage function conflicts
 # -----
# 3. Install Missing Packages
toinstall <- setdiff(target_pkgs, rownames(installed.packages()))</pre>
if (length(toinstall) > 0) {
 message("Installing missing packages: ", paste(toinstall, collapse = ", "))
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install.packages(toinstall)
}
# -----
# 4. Load Packages
# -----
for (pkg in target_pkgs) {
 message("Loading package: ", pkg)
 library(pkg, character.only = TRUE)
# 5. Resolve Name Conflicts
# -----
# Ensure dplyr's filter and lag take precedence
conflict_prefer("filter", "dplyr")
conflict_prefer("lag", "dplyr")
message("Function conflicts resolved: filter and lag from dplyr preferred.")
# -----
# 6. Set Seed
# For reproducibility of random operations
set.seed(2)
message("Random seed set to 2.")
# -----
# 7. Data Path Helper
# Usage: data_path("raw", "myfile.csv") -> <project_root>/data/raw/myfile.csv
data_path <- function(...) {</pre>
 here::here("data", ...)
message("Helper 'data_path()' defined for project-relative data paths.")
```

5. Sweden Data Preprocessing (R/2_sweden_preprocess.R)

Purpose: Read, clean, and merge spatial and tabular data to create the analysis-ready dataset.

- 1. Read Shapefiles: Use st_read to import county boundaries (e.g., Sweden_Counties.shp).
- 2. Import CSVs: Load direct_unemployment.csv and population_density.csv.
- 3. **Data Cleaning:** Standardize county code formats, handle missing or NA values (e.g., impute or remove), and ensure coordinate reference systems match.
- 4. Join Datasets: Merge shapefile with unemployment and density tables by county code.
- 5. Add Geoindicators: Read GEE output CSVs and merge on county and year.
- 6. **Final Checks:** Validate geometry integrity (st_is_valid), and export as an RDS object (Sweden_data.rds).

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# -----
# Sweden Preprocess (Revised)
                   _____
# 1. Source Library Loader
source(here::here("R", "1_load_libraries.R"))
# 2. Define Paths & Helper Functions
paths <- list(</pre>
 shapefile = data_path("SWE_adm", "SWE_adm1.shp"),
 direct_est = data_path("direct_estimates.csv"),
 geodata = data_path("geodata.csv"),
 popdensity = data_path("popdensity.csv"),
 vacancies = data_path("vacancies.csv")
# County name recoding (fix special characters)
name_map <- c("Orebro" = "Örebro")</pre>
recode_county <- function(x) {</pre>
 factor(dplyr::recode(as.character(x), !!!name_map))
# CSV reader with status messages
read_data <- function(path) {</pre>
 message("Reading: ", path)
 readr::read_csv(path, show_col_types = FALSE)
}
```

```
# 3. Load & Clean County Shapefile
sweden_shape <-
 sf::st_read(paths$shapefile, quiet = TRUE) %>%
 sf::st make valid() %>%
 sf::st transform(4326) %>%
 dplyr::select(NAME_1) %>%
 dplyr::mutate(NAME_1 = recode_county(NAME_1)) %>%
 dplyr::arrange(NAME_1)
message("Shapefile loaded: ", nrow(sweden_shape), " polygons")
# 4. Read Direct Estimates & Compute Variance
# ------
direct_est <-
 read_data(paths$direct_est) %>%
 dplyr::mutate(
   County
                 = recode_county(County),
                = na if(Percent 2025K1, "..") %>% as.numeric() / 100,
   Percent
   SE95 = na_if(Percent_2025K1_me, "..") %>% as.numeric() / 100,
   standard_error = SE95 / 1.96,
   var_est = standard_error^2,
   eff_sample_size = (Percent / standard_error)^2
 ) %>%
 dplyr::select(County, Percent, standard_error, var_est, eff_sample_size)
message("Direct estimates processed: ", nrow(direct_est), " records")
# -----
# 5. Read & Clean Covariates
# -----
# a) Geospatial covariates: select annual indicators (excluding precipitation)
geo data <-
 read_data(paths$geodata) %>%
 dplyr::select(
             = NAME_1,
   County
   VIIRS_avg
               = VIIRS_avg_2024,
              = Urban_pct_2024,
= NDVI_avg_2024,
   Urban_pct
   NDVI_avg
   LST_C
               = LST_C_2024,
   N02_{mol_m2} = N02_{mol_m2_{2024}}
   SoilMoisture = SoilM_m3m3_2024,
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Elevation_m = Elevation_m_2024,
    Slope_deg
                = Slope_deg_2024
  ) %>%
  dplyr::mutate(
    County = recode_county(County),
    across(-County, as.numeric)
message("Geospatial data loaded: ", nrow(geo_data), " rows with selected indicators")
# b) Population density
pop_density <-
  read_data(paths$popdensity) %>%
  dplyr::rename(
               = County,
   County
   PopDensity
                 = PopDensity_2024
  ) %>%
  dplyr::mutate(
    County = recode_county(County),
   PopDensity = as.numeric(PopDensity)
message("Population density loaded: ", nrow(pop_density), " rows")
# c) Job vacancies (latest period)
vacancies <-
 read_data(paths$vacancies) %>%
  dplyr::filter(Period == max(Period, na.rm = TRUE)) %>%
  dplyr::mutate(
             = stringr::str_remove(Län, " län$"),
   County
                                                             # drop ' län'
              = stringr::str_remove(County, "s$")
                                                            # remove trailing 's'
   %>% stringr::str_to_title()
                                                               # title case
   %>% recode_county(),
   Vacancy_New = as.numeric(`Nya lediga jobb`)
  dplyr::select(County, Vacancy_New)
message("Vacancies loaded: ", nrow(vacancies), " rows")
# 6. Merge All Data
northern_list <- c("Norrbotten", "Västerbotten", "Jämtland", "Västernorrland", "Gävleborg")
combined_data <-</pre>
  direct_est %>%
```

```
dplyr::left_join(geo_data, by = "County") %>%
  dplyr::left_join(pop_density, by = "County") %>%
  dplyr::left_join(vacancies, by = "County") %>%
  dplyr::mutate(
   Northern = factor(
     ifelse(as.character(County) %in% northern_list, "North", "South"),
     levels = c("South", "North")
    )
  )
message("Data merged: ", nrow(combined_data), " rows with all covariates")
# 7. Prepare Spatial Join for Mapping
sweden_map_data <-</pre>
 sweden_shape %>%
  dplyr::left_join(combined_data, by = c("NAME_1" = "County"))
missing_count <- sum(is.na(sweden_map_data$Percent))</pre>
if (missing_count > 0) {
  warning(missing_count, " features missing data after join")
message("Spatial join complete: ", nrow(sweden_map_data), " features")
# 8. Save Processed Data
# -----
dir.create(here::here("data"), showWarnings = FALSE)
save(
  sweden_shape,
 combined_data,
  sweden_map_data,
 file = data_path("processed_sweden.RData")
message("Processed data saved to ", data_path("processed_sweden.RData"))
```

6. Mapping Direct Estimates (R/3_visualization.R)

Purpose: Generate both static and interactive maps to visualize direct unemployment estimates.

- 1. Load Data: Read Sweden_data.rds.
- 2. Static Maps: Use ggplot2:
 - Create choropleth layers with geom_sf.
 - Customize fill scales (scale_fill_viridis_c), legends, and titles.
- 3. Interactive Maps: Use leaflet:
 - Convert sf object to leaflet object.
 - Add polygons with addPolygons, tooltips for county names and values.
 - Integrate base maps (e.g., CartoDB.Positron).
- 4. Save Outputs: Export static maps as PNG and interactive HTML widgets.

```
# -----
# 3_visualization.R (Revised)
# 1. Source Libraries & Data
# -----
library(here)
source(here("R", "1_load_libraries.R"))  # Loads sf, tidyverse, tmap, etc.
source(here("R", "2_sweden_preprocess.R")) # Loads sweden_map_data
# 2. Prepare Map Data
# -----
# Format percent labels
sweden_map_data <- sweden_map_data %>%
 dplyr::mutate(
   Percent_label = scales::label_percent(accuracy = 0.1)(Percent)
# 3. Ensure Output Directories
# -----
out_html <- here("outputs", "html")</pre>
out img <- here("outputs", "img")</pre>
dir.create(out_html, recursive = TRUE, showWarnings = FALSE)
dir.create(out_img, recursive = TRUE, showWarnings = FALSE)
# 4. Interactive Map with tmap + Leaflet
tmap::tmap_mode("view")
```

```
tm_direct <-
  tm_shape(sweden_map_data) +
 tm_polygons(
   col = "Percent",
   palette = "Blues",
   border.col = "grey20",
   alpha = 0.7,
           = "Unemployment Rate"
   title
 ) +
 tm text(
             = "Percent_label",
  text
   size = "AREA",
   remove.overlap = TRUE,
  bg.color = "white",
  bg.alpha
              = 0.5
 ) +
 tm_layout(
   main.title = "Direct Unemployment Estimates by County",
   main.title.size = 1.2,
   legend.outside = TRUE,
         = FALSE
   frame
 )
print(tm_direct)
leaflet_map <- tmap_leaflet(tm_direct)</pre>
htmlwidgets::saveWidget(
             = leaflet_map,
 widget
 file = here(out_html, "sweden_direct_map.html"),
 selfcontained = TRUE
# 5. Static Thematic Map (tmap → PNG)
# -----
tmap::tmap_mode("plot")
tmap::tmap_save(
 tm_direct,
 filename = here(out_img, "sweden_direct_map_tmap.png"),
 dpi = 300,
 width = 8, height = 6, units = "in"
)
# 6. Static Map with ggplot2
```

```
sweden_proj <- sf::st_transform(sweden_map_data, crs = 3006)</pre>
static_map <- ggplot2::ggplot() +</pre>
  ggplot2::geom_sf(
   data = sweden_proj,
   aes(fill = Percent),
   color = "grey20",
   alpha = 0.8
  ) +
  ggplot2::geom_sf_label(
   data = sweden_proj,
   aes(label = Percent_label),
   size = 3,
   label.padding = grid::unit(0.15, "lines"),
   fill = "white"
  ) +
  scale_fill_viridis_c(name = "Unemployment (%)") +
  theme_minimal() +
  labs(
   title = "Direct Unemployment Estimates by County",
   subtitle = "Sweden, 2025"
  ) +
 theme(
   panel.grid = element_blank(),
   legend.position = "right"
print(static_map)
ggplot2::ggsave(
 filename = here(out_img, "sweden_direct_map_ggplot.png"),
 plot = static_map,
         = 300,
 dpi
 width = 8, height = 6, units = "in"
)
# 7. Save Visualization Objects
dir.create(here("data"), recursive = TRUE, showWarnings = FALSE)
save(
 tm_direct,
 static_map,
 file = data_path("visual.RData")
```

```
message("Visualization outputs saved under 'outputs/' and objects to ", data_path("visual.RDe
# # 3_visualization.R (Updated)
# # 1. Source Libraries and Data
# # -----
# library(here)
# source(here("R", "1_load_libraries.R")) # Loads tidyverse, tmap, sf, etc.
# source(here("R", "2_sweden_preprocess.R")) # Loads sweden_map_data
# # -----
# # 2. Prepare Map Data
# # -----
# # Create formatted labels using updated 'Percent'
# sweden_map_data <- sweden_map_data %>%
   dplyr::mutate(
    Percent_label = scales::label_percent(accuracy = 0.1)(Percent)
  )
# # Ensure outputs directory exists for exported files
# output_dir <- here("outputs")</pre>
# if (!dir.exists(output_dir)) dir.create(output_dir, recursive = TRUE)
# # 3. Interactive Map (tmap + Leaflet)
# # -----
# tmap::tmap_mode("view")
# # Build and display interactive map with 'Percent'
# tm_direct <-</pre>
  tm_shape(sweden_map_data) +
  tm_polygons(
   col = "Percent",
#
   palette = "Blues",
    border.col = "grey20",
   alpha = 0.7,
    title = "Unemployment Rate"
```

```
#
   ) +
  tm_text(
   text
#
               = "Percent_label",
               = "AREA",
#
   size
#
   remove.overlap = TRUE,
   bg.color
              = "white",
#
   bg.alpha
                = 0.5
  ) +
 tm_layout(
   main.title = "Direct Unemployment Estimates by County",
   main.title.size = 1.2,
#
   legend.outside = TRUE,
   frame
            = FALSE
  )
# print(tm_direct)
# # Save interactive map as standalone HTML
# leaflet_map <- tmap_leaflet(tm_direct)</pre>
# htmlwidgets::saveWidget(
# leaflet_map,
             = file.path(output_dir, "sweden_direct_map.html"),
  file
# selfcontained = TRUE
# )
              _____
# # 4. Export Static Tmap Map as PNG
# # -----
# tmap::tmap_mode("plot")
# tmap::tmap_save(
# tm_direct,
# filename = file.path(output_dir, "sweden_direct_map.png"),
# dpi = 300,
 width = 8,
# height = 6,
 units = "in"
# )
# # -----
# # 5. Static Map (ggplot2)
# # -----
# # Reproject for accurate spatial labeling
# sweden_proj <- sf::st_transform(sweden_map_data, crs = 3006)</pre>
```

```
# static_map <- ggplot2::ggplot() +</pre>
  ggplot2::geom_sf(
#
    data = sweden_proj,
#
    aes(fill = Percent),
    color = "grey20",
#
    alpha = 0.8
  ) +
#
  ggplot2::geom_sf_label(
    data = sweden_proj,
#
    aes(label = Percent_label),
    size = 3,
   label.padding = grid::unit(0.15, "lines"),
    fill = "white"
#
  ) +
  scale_fill_viridis_c(name = "Unemployment (%)") +
  theme_minimal() +
#
  labs(
#
    title = "Direct Unemployment Estimates by County",
#
   subtitle = "Sweden, 2025"
 ) +
 theme(
   panel.grid = element_blank(),
    legend.position = "right"
#
# print(static_map)
# # Export static ggplot map as high-resolution PNG
# ggsave(
# filename = file.path(output_dir, "sweden_direct_map_static.png"),
# plot = static_map,
# dpi = 300,
# width = 8,
# height = 6,
# units = "in"
# )
# # 6. Save Visualization Objects
# # -----
# save(
# tm_direct,
# static_map,
```

```
# file = here("data", "visual.RData")
# )
# message("Visualization scripts updated to use 'Percent' variable")
```

Small-Area Estimation

7. Compute Small-Area Estimates (R/test4.R)

Purpose: Fit Fay–Herriot small-area models to improve precision of county-level unemployment estimates.

- 1. Load Data: Read merged Sweden_data.rds.
- 2. **Exploratory Analysis:** Compute Moran's I (spdep) for spatial autocorrelation and VIF for collinearity checks.
- 3. Model Fitting:
 - Untransformed Models: Apply lme or inla for Fay-Herriot on the raw unemployment rates.
 - Transformed Models: Log-transform rates, refit models, and back-transform estimates.
- 4. **Diagnostics:** Plot residual vs. fitted values, Q-Q plots, and calculate MSE and CV for each area.
- 5. **Result Tables:** Use gt to create publication-ready tables of fixed effects coefficients and error metrics.
- 6. **Mapping SAE:** Add model-based estimates and CV layers to the sf object, and export final shapefile (SAE_Results.shp).

```
source(here("R", "1_load_libraries.R"))  # common packages
source(here("R", "2_sweden_preprocess.R")) # defines data
# Setup Output Directory
out dir <- file.path(here("outputs"), "sae")</pre>
dir.create(out_dir, recursive = TRUE, showWarnings = FALSE)
# -----
# 2. Spatial Diagnostics
# -----
# Ensure fh_data ordered by domain
fh_data <- combined_data %>% arrange(County)
# Build spatial weights
nb <- poly2nb(sweden_shape, row.names = sweden_shape$NAME_1)</pre>
W <- nb2mat(nb, style = "W", zero.policy = TRUE)</pre>
idx <- which(!is.na(fh_data$Percent))</pre>
# Moran's I test
spatialcor.tests(
 direct = fh_data$Percent[idx],
 corMatrix = W[idx, idx]
# -----
# 3. Data Transformation
# -----
# Convert and log-transform skewed covariates
fh_data <- combined_data %>%
 mutate(
   Percent
                = as.numeric(Percent),
   var_est = as.numeric(var_est),
   Elevation_log = log(Elevation_m),
   LST_log = log(LST_C),
   SoilMoist_log = log(SoilMoisture),
   PopDensity_log = log(PopDensity),
   Vacancy_log = log(Vacancy_New)
 )
# Covariate names (use log-transformed variables where applied)
covariates <- c(
 "Elevation_log", # log(Elevation_m)
"LST_log", # log(LST_C)
"SoilMoist_log", # log(SoilMoisture)
  "PopDensity_log", # log(PopDensity)
```

```
"Vacancy_log", # log(Vacancy_New)
                   # Vegetation index
# NO2 density (mol/m²)
# Terrain slope (°)
  "NDVI_avg",
  "NO2_mol_m2",
  "Slope_deg",
  "Urban_pct",
                    # Urban cover (%)
  "VIIRS_avg",
                   # Night-time lights
# Regional factor
  "Northern"
# 4. Correlation Matrix
# 4.1 Prepare data and rename for readable labels
corr_vars <- c("Percent", covariates[covariates != "Northern"])</pre>
corr_data <- fh_data %>%
  select(all_of(corr_vars)) %>%
  rename(
    `Unemp. Rate` = Percent,
    `Elevation (log)` = Elevation_log,
    `LST (log)` = LST_log,
    `NDVI`
                      = NDVI_avg,
    `NO2`
                      = NO2_mol_m2,
                      = Slope_deg,
    `Soil Moist. (log)` = SoilMoist_log,
                 = Urban_pct,
    `Urban (%)`
    `Night Lights` = VIIRS_avg,
    `Pop Density (log)` = PopDensity_log,
    `Vacancy (log)` = Vacancy_log
  )
# 4.2 Compute correlation matrix
corr_mat <- cor(corr_data, use = "pairwise.complete.obs")</pre>
# 4.3 Plot correlation matrix with original order and labels
out_dir_corr <- file.path(here("outputs"), "sae")</pre>
if (!dir.exists(out_dir_corr)) dir.create(out_dir_corr, recursive = TRUE)
png(file.path(out_dir_corr, "correlation_matrix.png"), width = 2000, height = 2000, res = 2000
corrplot(
  corr_mat,
             = "color",
  method
  type
            = "upper",
  order
             = "original",
```

```
addCoef.col = "black",
 tl.col = "black",
           = 0.8,
 tl.cex
 tl.srt
            = 45
dev.off()
# 5. Full Fay-Herriot Model Fits
fh_data <- fh_data %>%
  dplyr::mutate(
   Percent = as.numeric(Percent),
   var_est = as.numeric(var_est)
 ) %>%
 as.data.frame()
# Define full formula
formula_full <- as.formula(paste("Percent ~", paste(covariates, collapse = " + ")))</pre>
# Initial untransformed model (REML)
fh_initial <- emdi::fh(</pre>
             = formula_full,
 fixed
 vardir = "var_est",
 combined_data = fh_data,
 domains = "County",
method = "reml",
interval = c(0, 100),
              = 1000,
 MSE
              = TRUE
)
summary(fh_initial)
# Transformed initial models
fh_arc_init <- emdi::fh(</pre>
 fixed
               = formula_full,
                   = "var_est",
 vardir
 combined_data = fh_data,
 domains
                   = "County",
 transformation = "arcsin",
 backtransformation = "bc",
```

```
eff_smpsize = "eff_sample_size",
 mse_type
                 = "boot",
 В
                 = 1000,
                 = TRUE
 MSE
summary(fh_arc_init)
fh_log_init <- emdi::fh(</pre>
 fixed
                 = formula_full,
 vardir
                 = "var_est",
 combined_data = fh_data,
domains = "County",
 transformation = "log",
 backtransformation = "bc_crude",
 eff_smpsize = "eff_sample_size",
mse_type = "analytical",
 mse_type
 В
                 = 1000,
                  = TRUE
 MSE
)
summary(fh_log_init)
fh_logit_init <- emdi::fh(</pre>
 fixed = formula_full,
 vardir
                 = "var_est",
 combined_data = fh_data,
                 = "County",
 domains
 transformation = "logit",
 backtransformation = "bc",
 eff_smpsize = "eff_sample_size",
                 = "boot",
 mse_type
                 = 1000,
                 = TRUE
 MSE
summary(fh_logit_init)
# 6. Reduced Models Fay-Herriot Model
# -----
# Fit full-ML for BIC selection
```

```
fh_full_ml <- emdi::fh(</pre>
 fixed = formula_full,
vardir = "var_est",
 combined_data = fh_data,
 domains = "County",
method = "ml",
 В
              = 1000,
 MSE
              = TRUE
)
# Stepwise backward BIC
fh_step <- emdi::step(</pre>
 object = fh_full_ml,
 criteria = "BIC",
 direction = "backward",
 B = 1000,
          = TRUE
 MSE
# Extract reduced formula
formula_step <- fh_step$fixed</pre>
# Refit reduced models under REML
fh_red_init <- emdi::fh(</pre>
fixed = formula_step, vardir = "var_est", combined_data = fh_data,
 domains = "County", method = "reml", B = 1000, MSE = TRUE
)
fh_red_arc <- update(fh_arc_init, fixed = formula_step)</pre>
fh_red_log <- update(fh_log_init, fixed = formula_step)</pre>
fh_red_logit <- update(fh_logit_init, fixed = formula_step)</pre>
# 7. Mapping, Comparison, and Diagnostics
# -----
# Assemble models
models <- list(
 Initial = fh_initial,
 ArcsinInit = fh_arc_init,
 LogInit = fh_log_init,
 LogitInit = fh_logit_init,
  Stepwise = fh_step,
  RedInitial = fh_red_init,
  RedArcsin = fh_red_arc,
  RedLog = fh_red_log,
```

```
RedLogit = fh_red_logit
)
# Helper to rename estimate column
extract_FH <- function(df) {</pre>
  if ("FH" %in% names(df)) dplyr::rename(df, FH_est = FH)
  else if ("prediction" %in% names(df)) dplyr::rename(df, FH_est = prediction)
  else df
}
# Loop through models and create outputs
purrr::iwalk(models, function(mod, nm) {
  # 7.1 Prepare map data quietly
  md <- suppressMessages(</pre>
   map_plot(
      object
                 = mod,
               = sweden_shape,
      map_obj
      map_dom_id = "NAME_1",
      indicator = "FH",
      MSE
                = TRUE,
      CV
                 = TRUE,
      return_data= TRUE
  ) %>% extract_FH()
  # SAE Map
  ggsave(
    file.path(out_dir, paste0("sae_map_", nm, ".png")),
    ggplot(md) +
      geom_sf(aes(fill = FH_est), color = "grey20", alpha = 0.8) +
      scale_fill_viridis_c() + theme_minimal() +
      labs(title = paste("SAE Estimates -", nm), fill = "Estimate"),
    width = 8, height = 6, dpi = 300
  )
  # Comparison Plot
  compare_path <- file.path(out_dir, paste0("compare_", nm, ".png"))</pre>
  png(compare_path, width = 800, height = 600)
  compare_plot(
    object
                 = mod,
    combined_data = fh_data,
                = "FH",
    indicator
```

```
MSE
                  = TRUE,
    CV
                  = TRUE
  )
  dev.off()
})
# # Collect models
# models <- list(</pre>
  Initial = fh_initial,
  ArcsinInit = fh_arc_init,
  LogInit = fh_log_init,
  LogitInit = fh_logit_init,
# Stepwise = fh_step,
  RedInitial = fh_red_init,
# RedArcsin = fh_red_arc,
# RedLog = fh_red_log,
# RedLogit = fh_red_logit
# )
#
# out_dir <- here("outputs")</pre>
# for (nm in names(models)) {
   # SAE map
   md <- map_plot(</pre>
     models[[nm]], map_obj = sweden_shape,
#
#
     map_dom_id = "NAME_1", indicator = "FH", MSE = TRUE, CV = TRUE,
#
     return_data = TRUE
   ) %>% rename(FH_est = FH)
#
#
#
   ggsave(
#
     filename = file.path(out_dir, paste0("sae_map_", nm, ".png")),
#
      plot
           = ggplot(md) +
#
                 geom_sf(aes(fill = FH_est), color = "grey20", alpha = 0.8) +
#
                 scale_fill_viridis_c() + theme_minimal() +
                 labs(title = paste("SAE Estimates -", nm), fill = "Est"),
#
               = 8, height = 6, dpi = 300
      width
#
    )
#
#
   # Compare plot
   png(file.path(out_dir, paste0("compare_", nm, ".png")), width = 800, height = 600)
    compare_plot(models[[nm]], CV = TRUE, MSE = TRUE)
    dev.off()
# }
```

```
# 8. Coefficient Extraction and Saving
extract_coefs <- function(obj) {</pre>
  sm <- summary(obj)</pre>
  df <- as.data.frame(sm$model$coefficients, stringsAsFactors = FALSE)</pre>
  df$term <- rownames(df)</pre>
  df %>% rename(
   estimate = coefficients,
   std.error = std.error,
   t.value = t.value,
   p.value = p.value
  ) %>% select(term, estimate, std.error, t.value, p.value)
coefs <- purrr::imap_dfr(models, ~ extract_coefs(.x) %>% mutate(model = .y))
# Save outputs
dir.create(out_dir, showWarnings = FALSE)
saveRDS(models, file = file.path(out_dir, "fh_models.rds"))
write.csv(coefs, file = file.path(out_dir, "fh_coefficients.csv"), row.names = FALSE)
message("test4.R optimized and styled with comment banners.")
## Export final model
unemp = estimators(fh_red_init, MSE = T, CV = T) %>%
  as.data.frame() %>%
  left_join(sweden_shape, by = c("Domain" = "NAME_1"))
saveRDS(unemp, file = file.path(out_dir, "unemp.rds"))
```