

DC Peanut butter synthetic control

Install packages and load library.

```
#install.packages('tidyverse')
#install.packages("Synth")
library(tidyverse)

## -- Attaching packages -----
----- tidyverse 1.2.1 --

## v ggplot2 3.1.0      v purrr  0.3.0
## v tibble  2.0.1      v dplyr  0.8.0.1
## v tidyr   0.8.2      v stringr 1.4.0
## v readr   1.3.1      v forcats 0.4.0

## -- Conflicts -----
----- tidyverse_conflicts() --
## x dplyr::filter() masks stats::filter()
## x dplyr::lag()    masks stats::lag()

library(lubridate)

##
## Attaching package: 'lubridate'

## The following object is masked from 'package:base':
##
##     date

library(Synth)

## ##
## ## Synth Package: Implements Synthetic Control Methods.
## ## See http://www.mit.edu/~jghainm/software.htm for additional information.
```

Unzip the 'peanutbutter.tgz' file. Read in 2011 movement and store files, merge them based on the store code, and filter for 'F' (food stores) and states North Dakota, Minnesota, Missouri, and D.C.

```
untar("peanutbutter.tgz")

move_11 <-
read_tsv("nielsen_extracts/RMS/2011/Movement_Files/0506_2011/1421_2011.tsv")

## Parsed with column specification:
## cols(
##   store_code_uc = col_double(),
##   upc = col_character(),
```

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## week_end = col_double(),
## units = col_double(),
## prmult = col_double(),
## price = col_double(),
## feature = col_double(),
## display = col_double()
## )

stores_11 <-
read_tsv("nielsen_extracts/RMS/2011/Annual_Files/stores_2011.tsv")

## Parsed with column specification:
## cols(
##   store_code_uc = col_double(),
##   year = col_double(),
##   parent_code = col_double(),
##   retailer_code = col_double(),
##   channel_code = col_character(),
##   store_zip3 = col_character(),
##   fips_state_code = col_double(),
##   fips_state_descr = col_character(),
##   fips_county_code = col_double(),
##   fips_county_descr = col_character(),
##   dma_code = col_double(),
##   dma_descr = col_character()
## )

full_11 <- move_11 %>%
  inner_join(stores_11, by = "store_code_uc") %>%
  filter(channel_code == "F",
         fips_state_descr %in% c("ND", "MN", "MO", "DC"))

save(full_11, file = 'pb_full_11.RData')

rm(move_11, stores_11, full_11)

```

Perform the previous step for 2012 and 2013.

```

move_12 <-
read_tsv("nielsen_extracts/RMS/2012/Movement_Files/0506_2012/1421_2012.tsv")

## Parsed with column specification:
## cols(
##   store_code_uc = col_double(),
##   upc = col_character(),
##   week_end = col_double(),
##   units = col_double(),
##   prmult = col_double(),
##   price = col_double(),
##   feature = col_double(),

```

```
## display = col_double()
## )

stores_12 <-
read_tsv("nielsen_extracts/RMS/2012/Annual_Files/stores_2012.tsv")

## Parsed with column specification:
## cols(
##   store_code_uc = col_double(),
##   year = col_double(),
##   parent_code = col_double(),
##   retailer_code = col_double(),
##   channel_code = col_character(),
##   store_zip3 = col_character(),
##   fips_state_code = col_double(),
##   fips_state_descr = col_character(),
##   fips_county_code = col_double(),
##   fips_county_descr = col_character(),
##   dma_code = col_double(),
##   dma_descr = col_character()
## )

full_12 <- move_12 %>%
  inner_join(stores_12, by = "store_code_uc") %>%
  filter(channel_code == "F",
         fips_state_descr %in% c("ND", "MN", "MO", "DC"))

save(full_12, file = 'pb_full_12.RData')

rm(move_12, stores_12, full_12)

move_13 <-
read_tsv("nielsen_extracts/RMS/2013/Movement_Files/0506_2013/1421_2013.tsv")

## Parsed with column specification:
## cols(
##   store_code_uc = col_double(),
##   upc = col_character(),
##   week_end = col_double(),
##   units = col_double(),
##   prmult = col_double(),
##   price = col_double(),
##   feature = col_double(),
##   display = col_double()
## )

stores_13 <-
read_tsv("nielsen_extracts/RMS/2013/Annual_Files/stores_2013.tsv",
         col_types = list(col_double(), col_double(),
                           col_double(), col_double(), col_character(),
                           col_character(), col_double(), col_character(),
```

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                                col_double(), col_character(), col_double(),
col_character()))

full_13 <- move_13 %>%
  inner_join(stores_13, by = "store_code_uc") %>%
  filter(channel_code == "F",
         fips_state_descr %in% c("ND", "MN", "MO", "DC"))

save(full_13, file = 'pb_full_13.RData')

rm(move_13, stores_13)

```

Bind full_11,12,13 into one tbl, 'full_11_12_13'. Overwrite the variable week_end to be in year-month-date format. Create sales variable, which is the number of units sold multiplied by the price.

```

load('pb_full_11.RData')
load('pb_full_12.RData')

full_11_12_13 <- full_11 %>%
  bind_rows(full_12) %>%
  bind_rows(full_13) %>%
  mutate(week_end = ymd(week_end), sales = units * price)

rm(full_11, full_12, full_13)

```

Read in products master file.

```

products <- read_tsv('products.tsv', quote = "")

## Parsed with column specification:
## cols(
##   upc = col_character(),
##   upc_ver_uc = col_double(),
##   upc_descr = col_character(),
##   product_module_code = col_double(),
##   product_module_descr = col_character(),
##   product_group_code = col_double(),
##   product_group_descr = col_character(),
##   department_code = col_double(),
##   department_descr = col_character(),
##   brand_code_uc = col_double(),
##   brand_descr = col_character(),
##   multi = col_double(),
##   size1_code_uc = col_double(),
##   size1_amount = col_double(),
##   size1_units = col_character(),
##   dataset_found_uc = col_character(),
##   size1_change_flag_uc = col_double()
## )

```

Merge products file and full_11_12_13.

```
full_11_12_13 <- full_11_12_13 %>%  
  left_join(products, by = 'upc')  
  
rm(products)
```

Filter the full dataset for data pertaining to the retailers in DC. Display the retailer codes in DC.

```
dc_data <- full_11_12_13 %>%  
  filter(fips_state_descr == 'DC')  
  
treated_stores <- dc_data %>% filter(retailer_code==842) %>%  
  distinct(store_code_uc)  
  
control_stores <- dc_data %>% filter(retailer_code!=842) %>%  
  distinct(store_code_uc)
```

Assign manufacturer for each brand. Organize data by stores and date, add sales across UPCs.

```
dc_data <- dc_data %>%  
  mutate(manuf_name = substr(dc_data$brand_descr, 1, 3)) %>%  
  filter(manuf_name %in% c('SKI', 'JIF', 'SMU', 'SIM', 'SAN', 'ADA', 'CTL'))  
%>%  
  mutate(actual_manuf = if_else(manuf_name == 'CTL', 'CTL',  
                                if_else(manuf_name == 'SKI', 'UNI', 'SMU'))) %>%  
  mutate(store_code_uc=as.numeric(store_code_uc))  
  
dc_data <- dc_data %>% group_by(store_code_uc, week_end) %>%  
  summarize(sales=sum(sales)) %>%  
  arrange(store_code_uc, week_end)  
  
dc_data <- as.data.frame(dc_data)
```

Check store codes to see how many weeks they have. Stores with less than 157 weeks of observations are dropped from the data. Then we arrange by 'store_code_uc' and 'week_end', then create a 'n_week_end' variable to represent the date numerically.

```
weeks <- unique(dc_data$week_end)  
  
codes <- unique(dc_data$store_code_uc)  
  
drops <- c()  
  
for (i in seq_along(codes)) {  
  single_store <- dc_data %>% filter(store_code_uc==codes[i])
```

```

single_store_vec <- unique(single_store$week_end)

if (length(single_store_vec) < length(weeks)) {

  drops <- c(drops, codes[i])

}

}

dc_data <- dc_data %>% filter(!store_code_uc %in% drops) %>%
  arrange(store_code_uc, week_end) %>%
  mutate(n_week_end=as.numeric(week_end))

control_stores <- control_stores %>% filter(!store_code_uc %in% drops)

```

Use data prep to create weights for synthetic control.

```

dataprep_out <- dataprep(foo=dc_data, predictors="sales", dependent="sales",
  unit.variable="store_code_uc",
  time.variable="n_week_end",
  treatment.identifier=5133302,
  controls.identifier=control_stores$store_code_uc,
  time.predictors.prior=seq(14975, 15535, by = 7),
  time.optimize.ssr=seq(14975, 15535, by = 7),
  time.plot=seq(14975, 16067, by = 7))

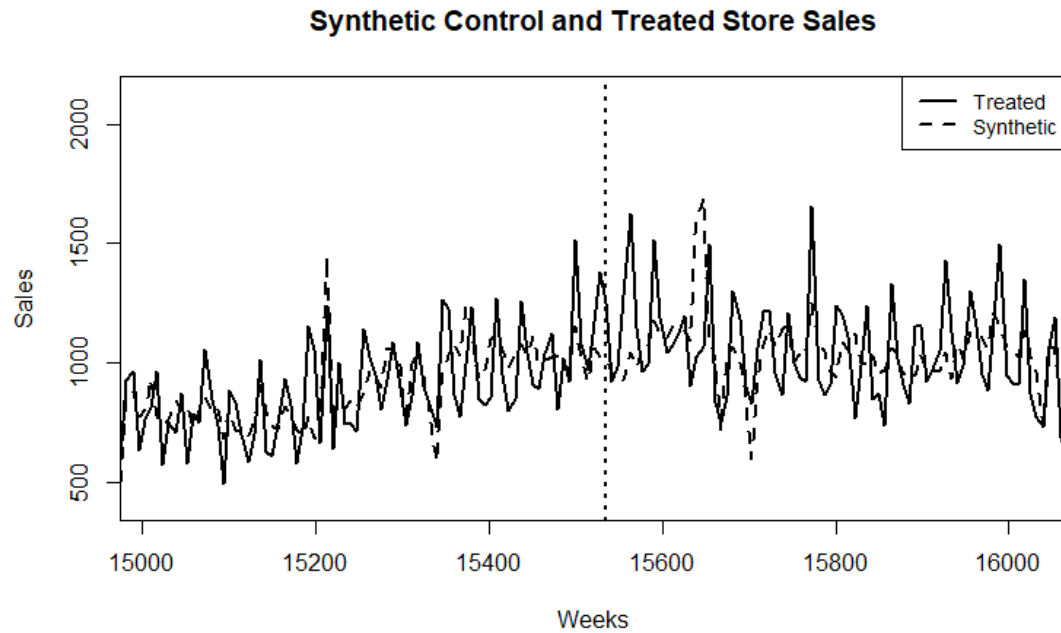
synth_out <- synth(dataprep_out)

##
## X1, X0, Z1, Z0 all come directly from dataprep object.
##
## *****
## optimization over w weights: computing synthtic control unit
##
##
## *****
## *****
## *****
##
## MSPE (LOSS V): 24014.56
##
## solution.v:
## 1
##
## solution.w:
## 0.03670724 0.03469845 0.02984143 0.01159974 0.4612645 0.03238041

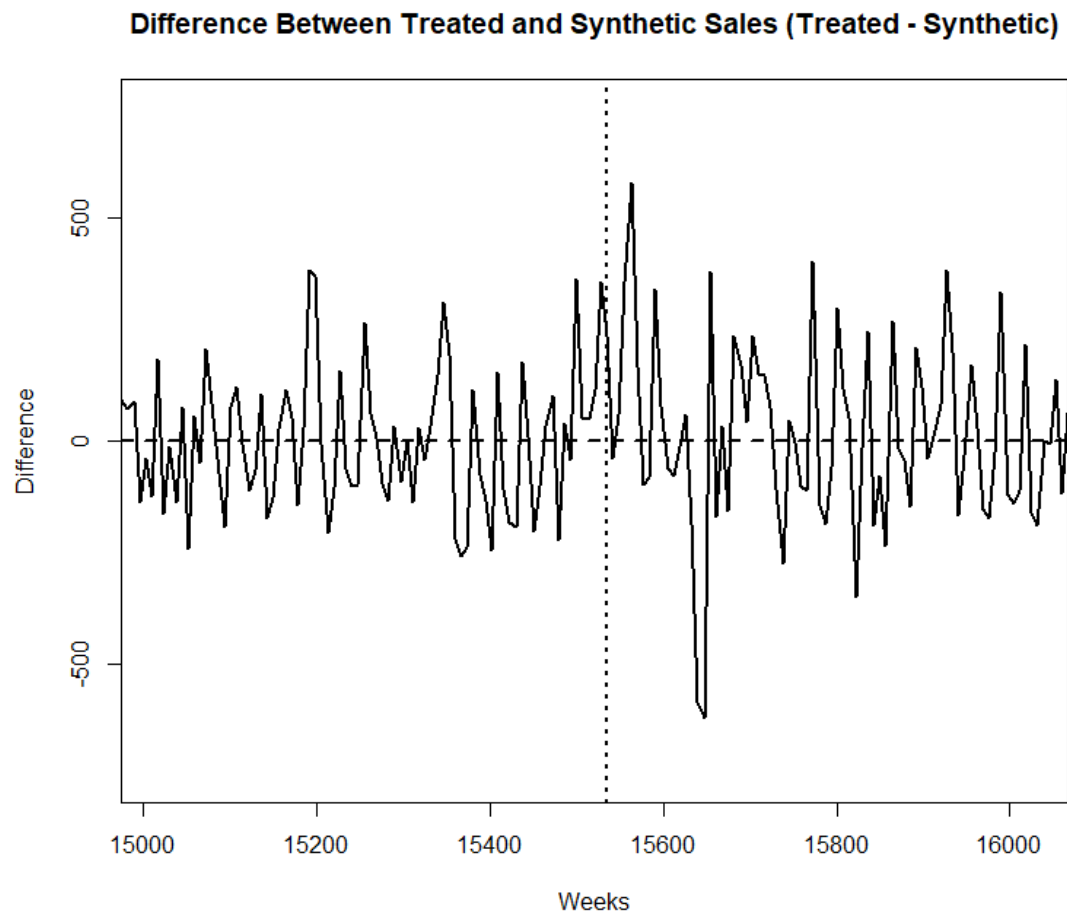
```

```
0.03246352 0.03670635 0.03585614 0.03173574 0.036639 0.02044926 0.02551085  
0.03672516 0.03472481 0.03640007 0.0367203 0.02957704
```

```
path.plot(dataprep.res = dataprep_out, synth.res = synth_out, Xlab =  
c('Weeks'), Ylab = c('Sales'), tr.intake = 15535,  
Main = 'Synthetic Control and Treated Store Sales')
```



```
gaps.plot(dataprep.res = dataprep_out, synth.res = synth_out, Ylab =  
'Difference', Xlab = 'Weeks', tr.intake = 15535,  
Main = 'Difference Between Treated and Synthetic Sales (Treated -  
Synthetic)')
```



```
synth_tables <- synth.tab(synth.res = synth_out, dataprep.res = dataprep_out)
synth_tables$tab.w
```

```
##          w.weights unit.names unit.numbers
## 1804471    0.037    1804471    1804471
## 3949012    0.035    3949012    3949012
## 5148299    0.030    5148299    5148299
## 1802456    0.012    1802456    1802456
## 2078770    0.461    2078770    2078770
## 1808501    0.032    1808501    1808501
## 1028103    0.032    1028103    1028103
## 5319048    0.037    5319048    5319048
## 2319813    0.036    2319813    2319813
## 3521655    0.032    3521655    3521655
## 5524392    0.037    5524392    5524392
## 1860488    0.020    1860488    1860488
## 1657215    0.026    1657215    1657215
## 1788754    0.037    1788754    1788754
## 1807292    0.035    1807292    1807292
## 7962112    0.036    7962112    7962112
```



```
## 5164822      0.037      5164822      5164822
## 1809307      0.030      1809307      1809307
```

```
synth_tables$tab.pred
```

```
##          Treated Synthetic Sample Mean
## sales 897.081    897.082    1243.61
```

```
dataprep_out$Y1plot
```

```
##          5133302
## 14975    588.81
## 14982    926.88
## 14989    965.48
## 14996    634.20
## 15003    764.45
## 15010    812.04
## 15017    963.42
## 15024    574.88
## 15031    749.78
## 15038    706.55
## 15045    871.62
## 15052    577.97
## 15059    789.88
## 15066    750.94
## 15073   1057.05
## 15080    847.44
## 15087    741.03
## 15094    490.78
## 15101    883.52
## 15108    837.77
## 15115    699.38
## 15122    583.09
## 15129    701.77
## 15136   1013.36
## 15143    627.44
## 15150    611.76
## 15157    747.25
## 15164    931.21
## 15171    825.22
## 15178    576.71
## 15185    725.09
## 15192   1156.60
## 15199   1059.07
## 15206    664.44
## 15213   1239.72
## 15220    643.42
## 15227    999.53
## 15234    746.53
## 15241    742.68
## 15248    712.40
```

15255 1139.40
15262 1026.55
15269 949.28
15276 802.57
15283 928.94
15290 1086.30
15297 894.17
15304 739.78
15311 858.59
15318 1085.07
15325 906.18
15332 829.53
15339 730.09
15346 1266.87
15353 1225.76
15360 868.84
15367 773.61
15374 997.19
15381 1232.58
15388 849.53
15395 826.70
15402 852.78
15409 1271.72
15416 950.29
15423 802.10
15430 845.58
15437 1255.18
15444 1045.30
15451 908.89
15458 889.15
15465 1036.04
15472 1126.02
15479 806.70
15486 1019.68
15493 924.55
15500 1515.34
15507 1080.81
15514 968.14
15521 1175.11
15528 1380.98
15535 1250.53
15542 921.91
15549 983.57
15556 1280.75
15563 1622.91
15570 1149.09
15577 966.79
15584 993.55
15591 1517.50
15598 1191.88

15605 1043.02
15612 1073.78
15619 1122.03
15626 1195.28
15633 904.05
15640 1025.22
15647 1068.54
15654 1494.99
15661 833.50
15668 748.89
15675 862.98
15682 1302.23
15689 1182.36
15696 900.37
15703 830.16
15710 1062.34
15717 1217.09
15724 1219.56
15731 959.24
15738 865.89
15745 1208.80
15752 1000.97
15759 938.39
15766 923.34
15773 1656.75
15780 929.22
15787 864.95
15794 906.92
15801 1238.92
15808 1205.70
15815 1111.07
15822 770.42
15829 986.41
15836 1236.96
15843 845.89
15850 871.14
15857 736.59
15864 1329.18
15871 1021.59
15878 911.44
15885 830.38
15892 1153.34
15899 1153.55
15906 919.70
15913 991.71
15920 1049.71
15927 1426.76
15934 1131.07
15941 913.37
15948 987.69

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## 15955 1298.19
## 15962 1156.15
## 15969 950.33
## 15976 884.77
## 15983 1184.54
## 15990 1496.15
## 15997 946.07
## 16004 915.06
## 16011 912.30
## 16018 1351.48
## 16025 872.08
## 16032 775.60
## 16039 731.96
## 16046 1067.16
## 16053 1193.10
## 16060 691.90
## 16067 615.59
```