

Exercise 10: Data Manipulation with Replication Examl (Answer Key)

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Extend the dataset

Extend the exercise we did in class up to the Senate confirmation of Associate Justice Sonia Sotomayor, following the instructions in the `lecture-10.R` file.

Links to the datasets required to complete this exercise:

- Harvard Dataverse entry for the Epstein et al. (2006) article (includes PDF of article for reference): <https://dataverse.harvard.edu/dataset.xhtml?persistentId=doi:10.7910/DVN/W5CV8E&version=1.0>
- Poole & Rosenthal scores from 2016: <https://dataverse.harvard.edu/dataset.xhtml?persistentId=doi:10.7910/DVN/W5CV8E&version=1.0>
- 111th Congress roll call votes and dictionary: <https://legacy.voteview.com/senate111.htm>
- Segal-Cover scores: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Segal%E2%80%93Cover_score

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# download 111th congress roll call votes
congress111 <- read_dta(here::here("data", "sen111kh.dta"))

# V263 = Sotomayor senate vote
congress111_sotomayor <- congress111 %>%
  select(cong:name, V262) %>% # it is on row 263 meaning it is V262 (consider the header)
  filter(name != "OBAMA") # exclude Obama (president)

# 1 = YES, 6 = NAY, 0 = not a member
# you want to change 6 to 0
# you want to change 0 to NA
congress111_sotomayor <- congress111_sotomayor %>%
  mutate(
    vote = ifelse(V262 == 6,
                  0,
                  ifelse(V262 == 0,
                        NA,
                        V262)))

# you can confirm that this is the correct vote column by looking up "sotomayor confirmation" and see t
table(congress111_sotomayor$vote)

##
## 0 1 9
## 31 68 1
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# rename "cong" variable to "congress"
congress111_sotomayor <- rename(congress111_sotomayor, congress = cong)

# select the relevant IDs
sotomayor <- congress111_sotomayor %>%
  select(congress, id, state, name, vote)

# select relevant variables to the poole & rosensthal CS scores
poole_select <- poole %>%
  select(congress, idno, statenm, name, dwnom1, party)

# merge the senate votes with their CS scores
sotomayor_poole <- left_join(sotomayor, poole_select, by=c("id" = "idno", "congress", "name"))

# rename "dwnom1" to "cs1"
sotomayor_poole <- rename(sotomayor_poole, cs1 = dwnom1)

# now you want to build a dataframe with the following information:
# nominee, presprty, sameprty, strngprs, nomid, regime_dummy, lackqual, csnom, euclidist, interaction
sotomayor_poole$nominee <- rep("SOTOMAYOR") # name of nominee
sotomayor_poole$presprty <- rep(1) # president held party majority in Senate

# whether senator is the same party as the president
sotomayor_poole %>%
  mutate(sameprty = ifelse(party == 100,
                           1,
                           0))

## # A tibble: 111 x 11
##   congress   id state name   vote statenm   cs1 party nominee presprty
##   <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <chr> <dbl> <chr>   <dbl> <dbl> <chr>   <dbl>
## 1      111 49700   41 SESS~    0 " ALAB~  0.551   200 SOTOMA~    1
## 2      111 94659   41 SHEL~    0 " ALAB~  0.437   200 SOTOMA~    1
## 3      111 40300   81 MURK~    0 " ALAS~  0.207   200 SOTOMA~    1
## 4      111 40900   81 BEGI~    1 " ALAS~ -0.235   100 SOTOMA~    1
## 5      111 15429   61 KYL     0 " ARIZ~  0.548   200 SOTOMA~    1
## 6      111 15039   61 MCCA~    0 " ARIZ~  0.382   200 SOTOMA~    1
## 7      111 40301   42 PRYOR    1 " ARKA~ -0.199   100 SOTOMA~    1
## 8      111 29305   42 LINC~    1 " ARKA~ -0.166   100 SOTOMA~    1
## 9      111 15011   71 BOXER    1 " CALI~ -0.450   100 SOTOMA~    1
## 10     111 49300   71 FEIN~    1 " CALI~ -0.263   100 SOTOMA~    1
## # ... with 101 more rows, and 1 more variable: sameprty <dbl>

sotomayor_poole$nomid <- rep(0.780) # ideology score of the judicial nominee: https://en.wikipedia.org/

sotomayor_poole$regime_dummy <- rep(1) # whether the judicial nominee was pre- or post-bork (1 is post-

sotomayor_poole$lackqual <- rep(1-0.810) # you take how qualified someone is based on newspaper editori

# you will need to calculate the following (later)

sotomayor_poole$csnom <- NA # this is going to be the Segal-Cover score for each nominee "transformed"

sotomayor_poole$euclidist <- NA # this is going to be the Euclidean distance between the senator and the

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sotomayor_poole$interaction <- NA # this is the interaction between ideological distance and qualifications

# bind the dataset to the bork dataset
all_data <- full_join(bork_alito_poole, sotomayor_poole)

## Joining, by = c("congress", "statenm", "name", "cs1", "nominee", "vote", "presprty", "nomid", "regime")
# the last two columns are just for binding datasets before
# you can just keep them there if they don't interfere with your analysis going forward

# from reading the article, you know that you need the common space scores for each president as well
# the president is coded with a congressional district (cd) number of 0, and a state number (state) of 0
poole_filter <- poole %>%
  filter(cd == 0 & state == 99) %>%
  select(congress, name, dwnom1)

# rename name
poole_filter <- rename(poole_filter, pres = name)

# rename dwnom1
poole_filter <- rename(poole_filter, cspres = dwnom1)

# join together the cspres scores
all_data_full <- full_join(all_data, poole_filter)

## Joining, by = "congress"

sotomayor_poole_coeffs <- lm(cspres ~ nomid, data = all_data_full)
sotomayor_poole_coeffs$coefficients

## (Intercept)          nomid
##  0.5832055   -0.9999904

# result:
# (Intercept)          nomid
# 0.5832055   -0.9999904

# scale the common space scores for sotomayor
all_data_full$csnom <- 0.5832055 - 0.9999904*all_data_full$nomid

# do the calculations for ideological distance
all_data_full$eucldist <- (all_data_full$csnom - all_data_full$cs1)^2

# do the calculations for the interaction between ideological distance and qualifications
all_data_full$interaction <- all_data_full$eucldist*sotomayor_poole$lackqual

## Warning in all_data_full$eucldist * sotomayor_poole$lackqual: longer object
## length is not a multiple of shorter object length

# now you have the full dataset so you can run the analysis again from black to sotomayor (and not just bork)

datasummary(`Senate Vote` = vote) +
  (`Lack of Qualifications` = lackqual) +
  (`Ideological Distance` = eucldist) +
  (`Strong President` = strngprsr) +
  (`Same Party` = sameprty) ~

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Mean + SD + Min + Max,
data = all_data_full,
output = 'markdown')

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	Mean	SD	Min	Max
Senate Vote	0.87	0.36	0.00	9.00
Lack of Qualifications	0.22	0.26	0.00	0.89
Ideological Distance	0.21	0.25	0.00	1.21
Strong President	0.57	0.49	0.00	1.00
Same Party	0.56	0.50	0.00	1.00

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stargazer(table2_ccs_nominees_model, table2_add_nominees, table2_newadditions,
  covariate.labels = c("Lack of Qualifications",
    "Ideological Distance",
    "Strong President",
    "Same Party"),
  column.labels = c("CCS Nominees",
    "Additional Nominees",
    "Include Alito and Sotomayor"),
  dep.var.caption = "Senate Vote",
  header = FALSE,
  dep.var.labels.include = FALSE,
  type = "latex")

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Table 2:

	Senate Vote		
	CCS Nominees	Additional Nominees	Include Alito and Sotomayor
	(1)	(2)	(3)
Lack of Qualifications	-2.518*** (0.155)	-2.320*** (0.122)	-2.250*** (0.121)
Ideological Distance	-2.128*** (0.177)	-2.242*** (0.151)	-2.029*** (0.133)
Strong President	0.882*** (0.104)	0.767*** (0.071)	0.649*** (0.071)
Same Party	0.477*** (0.093)	0.707*** (0.078)	0.625*** (0.080)
Constant	1.840*** (0.094)	1.816*** (0.082)	1.909*** (0.086)
Observations	2,062	3,709	3,709
Log Likelihood	-550.328	-846.606	-833.681
Akaike Inf. Crit.	1,110.656	1,703.213	1,677.361

Note:

*p<0.1; **p<0.05; ***p<0.01

Replication

Find replication materials for a paper and replicate a table within the paper.

- There are many political science papers with data stored in the Stata (`.dta`) file format accompanying the paper.
- If you do find replication materials in R and would like to run the entire R script, please feel free to contact me.

Here are some great resources for finding articles with reproducible data.

- Political Science Replication (<https://politicalsciencereplication.wordpress.com/>)
- Harvard Dataverse (https://dataverse.harvard.edu/dataverse/harvard?q=&fq0=subject_ss%3A%22Social%20Sciences%22&types=dataverses%3Adatasets&sort=dateSort&order=desc)
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