SOC 5050: Problem Set 09

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Directions

Please complete all steps below. Your final work by hand, table file, do-file, log-file, plots, and markdown file with answers should be uploaded to your GitHub assignment repository by 4:20pm on Monday, November 28th, 2016. This assignment uses the 2011 CPS dataest.

Initial Steps

- 1. Properly clean and recode the variables HRNUMHOU (family size), PTDTRACE (racial identity), and PEHSPNON (Hispanic identity).
- 2. Calculate descriptive statistics for each of these variables. Using a word processor of your choice, create a well-formatted table summarizing these descriptive statistics.
- 3. For each variable, create the appropriate descriptive plot.
- 4. Create box and whisker plots comparing family size with racial identity, and family size and Hispanic identity.
- 5. Conduct normality testing on your dependent variable to see if it meets the assumptions required for linear regression.
- Finally, recode your race variable a second time so that it is a series of binary "dummy" variables that can be used for regression analysis.

Regression Model 1: Family Size and Hispanic Identity

- 6. Construct a hypothesis and null hypothesis for the relationship between family size and Hispanic identity.
- 7. Construct a regression equation modeling how Hispanic identity affects family size on a separate piece of paper. Scan this and turn it in with your repository.

8. Execute a bi-variate regression model that shows how Hispanic identity affects family size. For this model, use robust standard errors. Fully interpret the results of this model.

Regression Model 2: Family Size and Race

- 9. Construct a hypothesis and null hypothesis for the relationship between family size and race.
- 10. Construct a regression equation modeling how race affects family size on a separate piece of paper. Scan this and turn it in with your repository.1
- 11. Execute a bi-variate regression model that shows how race affects family size. For this model, use robust standard errors. Fully interpret the results of this model.²
- ¹ *Hint:* Be sure to include all dummy variables for race except for one reference category.
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