

### 0.0.1 Question 2c: Verify Outcome

Did the candidate win or lose the election? Verify with election outcome.

#### ***ANSWER***

Kevin Yoder, the rising candidate won the election. Sharice Davids hte falling candidate did not win the election. This alligns with the results we had from earlier.

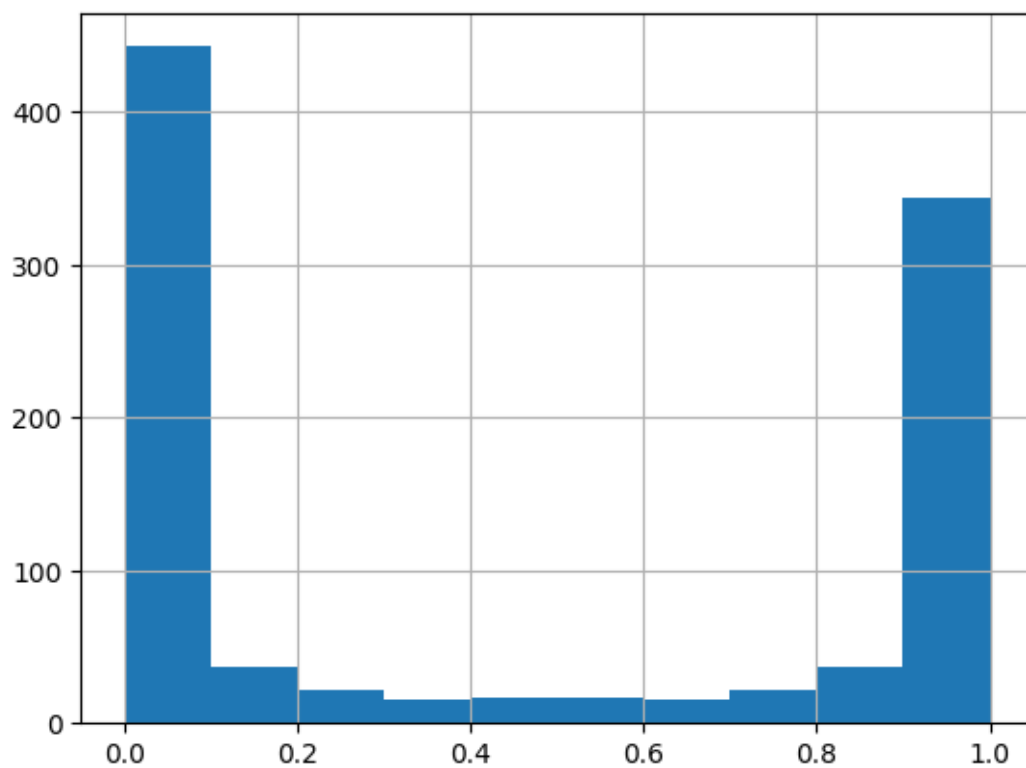


### 0.0.2 Question 3a: Prediction Histogram

Make a histogram showing the predicted win probabilities *on the morning of the election*. Again, restrict yourself to only the `classic` predictions.

```
In [14]: election_data[(election_data['forecast_type'] == 'classic') & (election_data['forecast_date'] == '2012-11-06')]
```

```
Out[14]: <Axes: >
```





### 0.0.3 Question 3b: Prediction difficulty

Are most house elections easy to forecast or hard to forecast? State your reasoning.

#### ***ANSWER***

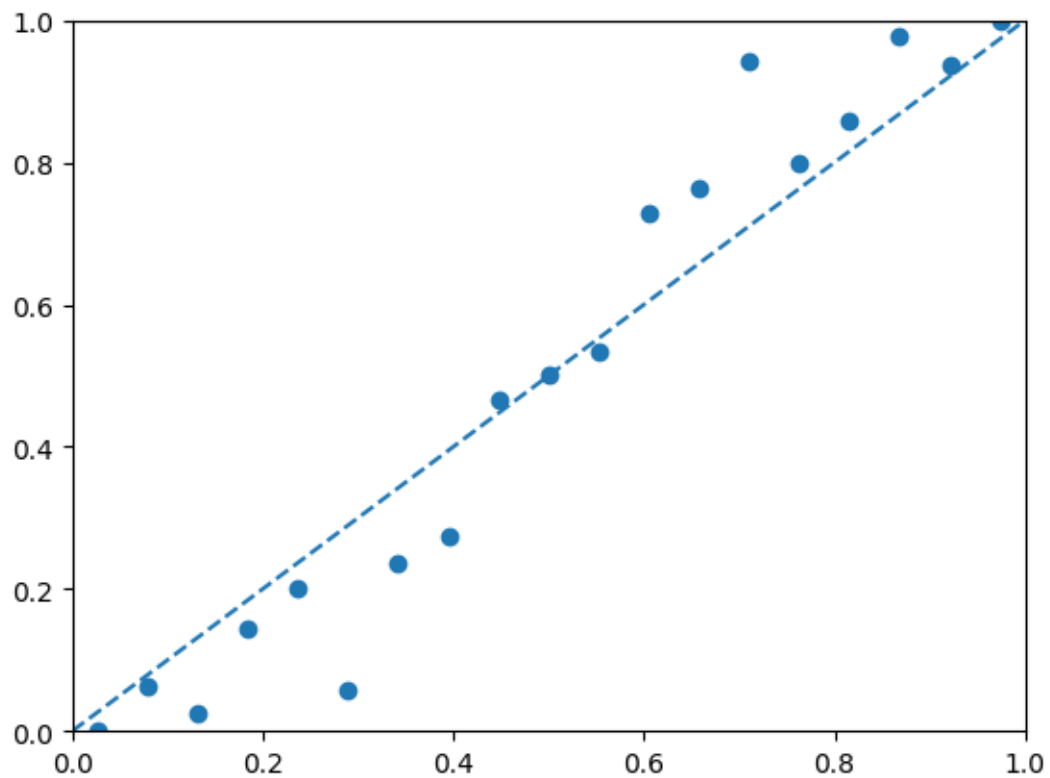
Based on the histogram the house predictions are easy to predict. The highest predicted win probabilities are closer to 0 or 1 which means the model



#### 0.0.4 Question 4c: Visualize Results

Now make a scatterplot using `midpoints` as the x variable and `fraction_outcome` as the y variable. Draw a dashed line from `[0,0]` to `[1,1]` to mark the line  $y=x$ .

```
In [24]: import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
         x = midpoints
         y = fraction_outcome
         plt.scatter(x, y)
         plt.plot([0, 1], [0, 1], '--')
         plt.axis(xmin = 0, xmax = 1, ymin = 0, ymax = 1)
         plt.show()
```





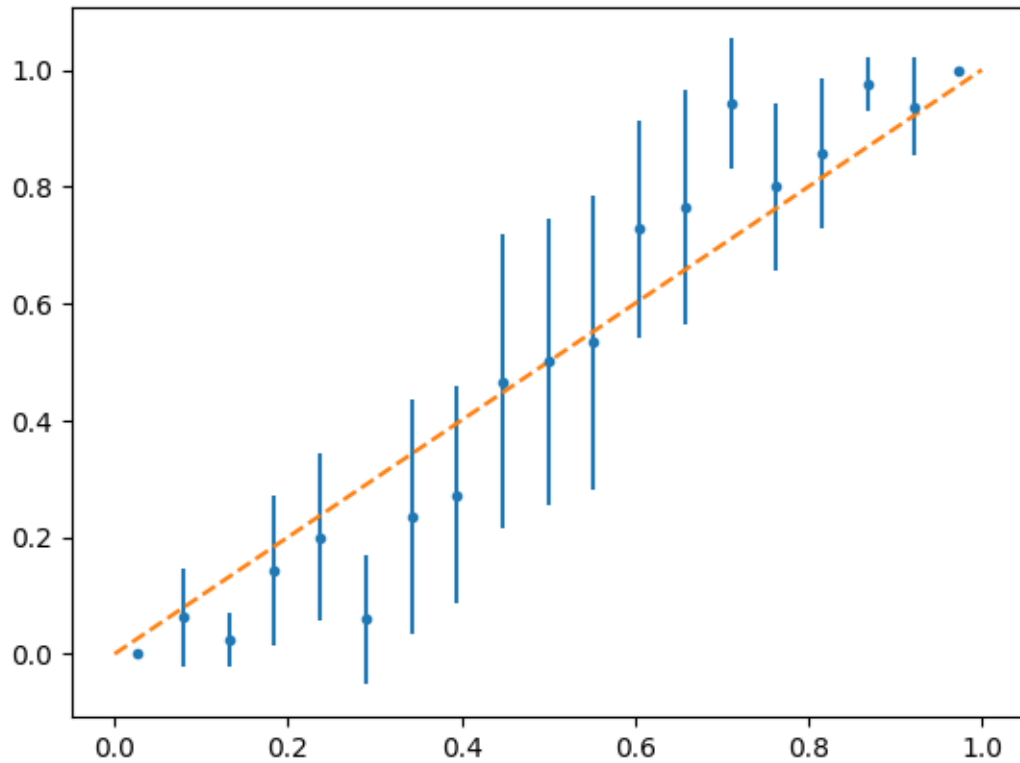


### 0.0.5 Question 5b: Visualize Error Bars 1

Use `plt.errorbar` to create a new plot with error bars associated with the actual fraction of wins in each bin. Again add a dashed  $y=x$  line. Set the argument `fmt='.'` to create a scatterplot with errorbars.

```
In [27]: # Plotting code below
plt.errorbar(midpoints, election_agg['mean'].values, yerr=election_agg['err'].values, fmt='.')
plt.plot([0, 1], [0, 1], '--')
```

```
Out[27]: [<matplotlib.lines.Line2D at 0x7f30bdf0b340>]
```





### 0.0.6 Question 5d: Understanding Confidence Intervals

Are the 95% confidence intervals generally larger or smaller for more confident predictions (e.g. the predictions closer to 0 or 1). What are the factors that determine the length of the confidence intervals?

#### ***ANSWER***

The confidence interval is smaller than for the predictions. This is because the variance is indirectly proportional to the variance, so the smaller sample size will make the confidence larger.



### 0.0.7 (PSTAT 234) Question 5f. Visualize Error Bars 2

By now, we have a distribution of success probabilities saved in `bootstrap_election_agg`. We can compute empirical error bars from 2.5% and 97.5% quantiles. Write function named `bootstrap_errorBars` that can be used to calculate the following columns:

- `mean`: mean of probabilities of success
- `err_low`: low point of the error bars
- `err_high`: high point of the error bars

Function `bootstrap_errorBars` is to be called by using `bootstrap_election_100_agg.apply(bootstrap_errorBars, ...)`.

```
In [ ]: def bootstrap_errorBars(x):
         out = pd.Series([x.mean(), x.mean()-x.quantile(0.025), x.quantile(0.975)-x.mean()],
                        index=['mean', 'err_low', 'err_high'])
         return(out)
```



### 0.0.8 (PSTAT 234) Question 5g: Interpreting the Results

Are the 95% confidence intervals generally larger or smaller for more confident predictions (e.g. the predictions closer to 0 or 1). What are the factors that determine the length of the error bars?

Compare and contrast model-based error bars and empirically obtained error bars. What are the advantages and disadvantages of these two approaches?

*Type your answer here, replacing this text.*

