Models

Project: Dominant Party Regimes in Sub-Saharan Africa

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This file reports the modelling process and the associated analytic decisions. It also includes the results of sensitivity tests.

Read in the data compiled in the data_building.qmd file.

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data <- read_rds(here("data", "data_built", "data.built.rds"))</pre>
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The main and only model in my original work was a multinomial logistic model. The main disadvantage of using this class of models in this context is that logistic models typically require more observations than linear models. Nevertheless, I start with a multinomial model to i) establish a baseline, ii) provide ground to validate the analytical coding of the dominant party regimes and iii) because there are not many alternative methods to analyze the data.

I first use a preferred specification, with party system institutionalization and education variables imputed with the mean of 2013-2018 values for the country with missing data, ELF imputed with previous values for the country and oil rents variable presented as a dummy.

Table 1 reveals that

Table 1: Multinomial logistic model, preferred specification

	Ref: Non-dominant		Ref: Autocratic Dominant	
	Democratic Dominant	Autocratic Dominant	Democratic Dominant	Not Dominant
(Intercept)	2.131	8.219	-6.090	-8.239
	(4.319)	(5.973)	(4.960)	(5.977)
PSI (Mean)	11.261+	8.545	2.708	-8.556
	(5.836)	(7.040)	(5.826)	(7.041)
ELF (Imputed)	3.852	3.559	0.305	-3.544
	(3.218)	(3.872)	(3.228)	(3.871)
Colonial Legacy [France]	0.477	-1.215	1.693	1.220
	(1.585)	(1.967)	(1.680)	(1.968)
Colonial Legacy [Mixed]	-7.858	-3.529	-3.489	6.267
	(123.274)	(113.129)	(129.126)	(166.662)
Colonial Legacy [None]	-5.960	2.763	-7.018	-2.748
	(135.665)	(16.287)	(57.399)	(16.298)
Colonial Legacy [Other]	-3.770	-4.459	0.696	4.475
	(3.034)	(4.202)	(3.202)	(4.205)
Electoral Rules [Plural]	-4.987*	-3.997	-0.988	4.005
	(2.525)	(3.831)	(3.121)	(3.830)
Democracy	-15.564*	-26.599**	11.022	26.608**
	(6.615)	(9.945)	(8.265)	(9.945)
Oil Dummy [Not equal to zero]	-0.961	0.111	-1.078	-0.118
	(1.494)	(2.049)	(1.746)	(2.050)
Education (Mean)	0.164	-0.082	0.246	0.082
, ,	(0.264)	(0.392)	(0.361)	(0.392)
Num.Obs.	38		38	
R2	0.511		0.511	
R2 Adj.	0.488		0.488	
AIC	86.5		86.5	
BIC	122.5		122.5	
RMSE	0.34		0.34	

⁺ p < 0.1, * p < 0.05, ** p < 0.01, *** p < 0.001