Assignment: Critique of "Using Maimonides’ Rule to Estimate the Effect of Class Size on Scholastic Achievement" by Joshua Angrist and Victor Lavy

Length: Minimum 2 pages.

Due: Saturday June 8 by 23:59pm (emailed)

Objective: Write a descriptive and analytical essay on "Using Maimonides’ Rule to Estimate the Effect of Class Size on Scholastic Achievement " which is at our github repo at /Crits/Week 3. Incorporate insights from my podcast interview with Josh Angrist (<https://causalinf.substack.com/p/interview-with-josh-angrist-2021-624> ).  You can also watch the interview here on YouTube:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ApNtXe-JDfA>

Guidelines:  
1. **Summary**: Start with a brief summary of the article, focusing on its main thesis and methodology.  
2. **Specific Focus**: Choose a particular aspect of the paper that intrigues you. This could be a methodological approach, a significant finding, or a theoretical perspective.  
3. **Analysis**: Analyze this aspect in detail. Discuss its relevance, strengths, and potential limitations.  
4. **Integration with Podcast**: Reflect on how the podcast interview with Josh Angrist adds context or depth to your understanding of the article. Identify any connections or contrasts between the article and the podcast discussion.  
5. **Personal Insight**: Conclude with your personal insight or takeaway from the article and the podcast. How has this piece shaped your understanding of causal inference?

Criteria for Evaluation:  
- Clarity and coherence of writing.  
- Depth of analysis and insight.  
- Effective integration of the article and podcast content.  
- Originality of perspective.

This assignment is pass/fail based on completion and adherence to these guidelines.

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