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Introduction

Here, you will briefly introduce what your research is about. In addition to motivating the relevance of your research question, you will give some information about what is about to come in the paper.

Literature Review

In this section, you will situate your research project within the literature. You will talk about a few papers/books that gravitate around the same theme you are talking about here.

The best repository to look for references is Google Scholar. There, you can also see how the references/bibliography section must look like, by seeing how other papers do so.

Data and econometric model

Here, you will state the econometric model, first, in theoretical/equation mode, like so:

$$y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_{1i} + \beta_2 x_{2i} + \cdots + \beta_k x_{ki} + u_i$$

replacing y and x with your chosen variables.

Then, you will describe your model variables, what estimation technique you will use, and what are your expectations (relative to signs, goodness-of-fit, etc.), and also where your data come from.

Some suggestions of data sources are:

- Google Dataset Search;
- Kaggle;
- Our World in Data;
- FRED St. Louis.

Also, make sure to look at research projects from previous semesters, for references and ideas. These are listed in a dedicated Canvas module.

You are **not** allowed to use artificial data or data sets that have already been used in class. One of the purposes of this assignment is to gather the data you need by yourself. It may be a little tricky, but will be worth it!

Results and discussion

You will present the estimated model, and interpret its coefficients. At this point, it is important to show once again your model equation, now replacing your β coefficients with your estimated $\hat{\beta}$ values.

It is very unlikely that your model will be bulletproof (and it should not!). Thus, it is time to evaluate the Classical Assumptions we have studied and run the appropriate tests and techniques to make your results as reliable as possible.

If you have additional tables, plots, or any other figures, leave it to the Appendix.

Conclusion

Brief summary of what the paper was about. Do not add anything new here. Only summarize the information from before in 2–3 paragraphs.

Your project must be double-spaced and have no more than 10 pages (excluding references and appendix).

Appendix

Use this section to present additional plots, tables, or whatever information you find relevant about your model and data.

References

Here you will list your references. Make sure to have them presented in a consistent and standardized way.