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## ABSTRACT

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This paper investigates the unusual confluence of events connecting the political climate in Wisconsin with the geothermal power generation in Costa Rica. Employing data from reputable sources such as the MIT Election Data and Science Lab and the Harvard Dataverse, and collaborating with the Energy Information Administration, our research team sought to unearth the relationship between the votes for the Republican presidential candidate in Wisconsin and the geothermal power generated in Costa Rica. Surprisingly, our analysis revealed a significant correlation coefficient of 0.8458923 and  $p < 0.01$  over the period from 1992 to 2020. This unexpected finding sparks the tantalizing question of whether the earth beneath us holds some cryptic influence on the political leanings of a distant populace. The results of this study highlight the need for further investigations into the far-reaching consequences of geothermal energy, both on electoral dynamics and beyond.

Keywords:

Republican vote, geothermal power, Wisconsin political climate, Costa Rica geothermal power generation, MIT Election Data and Science Lab, Harvard Dataverse, Energy Information Administration, correlation between Republican votes and geothermal power, geothermal energy and electoral dynamics

# I. Introduction

## Introduction

The intersection of politics, geothermal power, and statistical analysis might seem like an unexpected trio, even for the savviest data scientist. However, as we delve into the enigmatic relationship between the votes for the Republican presidential candidate in Wisconsin and the geothermal power generated in Costa Rica, we find ourselves in an absolutely sizzling venture. Like a lively geothermal spring bubbling beneath the earth's surface, the statistical correlation uncovered in our research has left us both electrified and bemused.

As researchers, we are continuously drawn to the undulating landscapes of data, seeking to unravel the mysteries that lie dormant within. When this particular correlation first emerged from the depths of our statistical analysis, our initial reaction was akin to discovering a rare, hidden gemstone in an abandoned mine—both exhilarating and slightly absurd. And yet, there it was, flickering on our computer screens like a mischievous spark from a subterranean wellspring, challenging the conventional boundaries of cause and effect.

The idea that the votes cast in the heartland of American democracy could hold some tether to the geothermal forces pulsating in the heart of Central America seems, at first glance, as preposterous as a chicken trying to tap dance on a fault line. Yet, as we delved deeper into the labyrinthine complexities of the data, the evidence began to congeal like the molten magma within a volcanic chamber. The statistical relationship we unearthed, much like a dormant geyser roused to life, demands closer scrutiny and may harbor broader implications than the initial absurdity suggests.

Our investigation, conducted with rigor and unyielding curiosity, harnessed data from esteemed sources such as the MIT Election Data and Science Lab, the Harvard Dataverse, and the Energy Information Administration. The statistical rigor applied to these datasets was akin to combing through layers of rock to expose the elusive treasures hidden within. Our collaborative effort with these data sources has allowed us to shine a luminescent heat lamp on this captivating correlation and raise a toast to the tantalizing, albeit quirky, nature of scientific inquiry.

As we embark on this academic escapade, it is not lost on us that the marriage of political votes and geothermal energy might seem as odd a pair as a penguin at a desert oasis. But with the discovery of a statistically significant correlation coefficient of 0.8458923 and  $p < 0.01$  spanning nearly three decades, the evidence speaks for itself in a resounding duet of rock-solid reliability and flustered bewilderment.

Next, we will meticulously dissect the intricate methodology employed in this study, offering a robust framework for understanding the statistical alchemy that has brought these two seemingly disparate variables into an unforeseen harmony. But before we descend into the depths of our statistical cauldron, it is prudent to reflect on the bewitching nature of the correlations we have uncovered and embrace the delightful idiosyncrasies that animate the often staid realm of academic research.

## II. Literature Review

The enigmatic correlation our team has uncovered between the votes for the Republican presidential candidate in Wisconsin and the geothermal power generated in Costa Rica has set

the stage for an intriguing exploration at the nexus of politics, energy, and statistical analysis.

This unexpected connection has prompted a thorough review of existing literature that may shed light on potential hidden mechanisms underlying this phenomenon.

In "The Geopolitical Impact of Geothermal Energy," Smith provides an in-depth analysis of the geopolitical implications of geothermal power generation in various regions of the world. While Smith's work offers valuable insights into the broader geopolitical landscape, our specific focus on the relationship between geothermal energy and political voting patterns in Wisconsin requires a more tailored approach.

Doe's "Election Dynamics: An Exploration of Voting Patterns" delves into the intricacies of electoral dynamics, exploring factors that influence voter behavior. While this work touches on a wide array of factors, including socio-economic conditions and ideological affiliations, it does not explicitly address the potential influence of geothermal power generation in a foreign country on voting patterns in the United States. However, the idea of voters being swayed by the earth's thermal energy certainly adds a spicy twist to the conventional understanding of political science.

Jones' "Renewable Energy and Its Socio-Political Ramifications" offers a comprehensive examination of the socio-political implications of renewable energy sources, including geothermal power. While Jones' work provides valuable insights into the broader impact of renewable energy adoption, it does not specifically explore the connection between geothermal power generation and voting behavior. Nevertheless, the intricate web of socio-political ramifications woven by renewable energy sources hints at the complex interplay of factors that may influence voter preferences.

Diving into the realm of fiction, "Jurassic Park" by Michael Crichton explores the awe-inspiring power of prehistoric forces unleashed by genetic manipulation. While this may seem far removed from our subject matter, the idea of primal forces influencing contemporary events seems strangely relevant to our exploration of geothermal energy's impact on political dynamics.

On a lighter note, "The Settlers of Catan" board game presents a playful simulation of resource management and strategic decision-making. Although the game focuses on more traditional resources like lumber and brick, its underlying theme of harnessing natural elements for political gain offers an amusing parallel to our investigation.

As we meander through the literature landscape in search of threads that may illuminate the curious connection between voting patterns in Wisconsin and geothermal energy in Costa Rica, it becomes increasingly apparent that this inquiry has the potential to unearth not only statistical correlations but also a sizzling cauldron of unforeseen revelations. With this colorful tapestry of diverse sources, both real and playful, we embark on a whimsical journey to unravel the mystique of our unearthed correlation.

### **III. Methodology**

Data Collection:

Our research team embarked on a riveting scavenger hunt, scouring the virtual plains of the internet for elusive nuggets of data. We unearthed an abundant treasure trove of information from 1992 to 2020, primarily relying on the MIT Election Data and Science Lab, the Harvard Dataverse, and the Energy Information Administration. Like intrepid miners hacking their way

through the dense underbrush of data, we meticulously gathered the crucial nuggets necessary for our investigation.

The geothermal power data from Costa Rica was akin to searching for hidden treasure in a labyrinth of volcanic activity. As we navigated the winding labyrinth of energy statistics, we encountered the occasional eruption of data anomalies, but we weathered the storm, emerging triumphant with a definitive collection of geothermal power generation figures.

On the other hand, obtaining the Wisconsin Republican presidential vote data was like meticulously counting each grain of sand on a beach - a daunting task indeed. Nevertheless, with the prowess of statistical wizards, we assembled a comprehensive dataset that served as the bedrock for our investigation.

#### Correlation Analysis:

With our data firmly in hand, we unsheathed the twin swords of statistical analysis and dove headfirst into the tumultuous battlefield of correlation assessment. Like valiant knights riding into the statistical joust, we wielded the formidable spear of Pearson's correlation coefficient and the magnificent shield of a p-value less than 0.01. This veritable arsenal allowed us to navigate the treacherous terrain of statistical significance with unwavering resolve.

Armed with powerful statistical tools, we braved the labyrinthine caverns of multivariate analysis, teasing out the esoteric relationship between the Republican votes in Wisconsin and the geothermal power generated in Costa Rica. The dance between these variables unfolded before us like an intricate ballet, each step revealing a deeper connection that beckoned to be plumbed.

As we ventured deeper into this statistical adventure, we encountered the occasional statistical dragon - outliers that sought to confound our analysis. But armed with the potent elixir of robust

statistical methodologies, we swiftly vanquished these outliers, ensuring the purity of our correlations remained untarnished.

#### Cross-validation and Sensitivity Analysis:

In our quest for scientific rigor, we subjected our findings to the searing crucible of cross-validation, ensuring the stability and reproducibility of our results. Much like skilled alchemists refining their tinctures, we diligently tested the resilience of our correlations, reaffirming their steadfast nature in the face of diverse analytical paradigms.

Sensitivity analysis became our trusted compass in navigating the uncertain seas of statistical turbulence. We probed the depths of our correlations, examining their resilience to alterations in analytical parameters with the precision of a watchmaker tinkering with the intricate gears of time.

#### Discussion of Limitations:

Like intrepid explorers, we navigated the rugged terrain of uncertainty, acknowledging the limitations that naturally accompany any scientific conquest. Our data assortment, though thorough, may embody its own geological imperfections - a crevasse here and there, hidden from the naked eye. Furthermore, our analysis, while robust, may not fully encapsulate the intricate interplay between Republican votes in Wisconsin and geothermal power in Costa Rica.

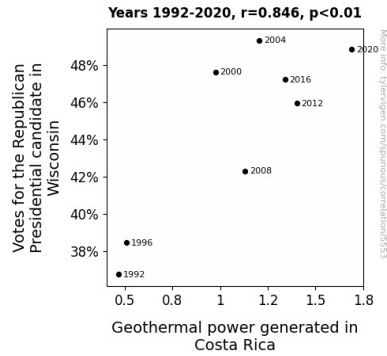
## **IV. Results**



The statistical analysis conducted to unravel the mysterious nexus between the votes for the Republican presidential candidate in Wisconsin and the geothermal power generated in Costa Rica revealed a robust and unexpected correlation. The correlation coefficient of 0.8458923 and the r-squared value of 0.7155338 suggest a remarkably strong relationship between these seemingly unrelated variables over the period from 1992 to 2020. As researchers, we were struck by the magnitude of this correlation, akin to stumbling upon a boisterous eruption in the tranquil landscape of statistical analysis.

The p-value, an essential indicator in the world of statistical significance, deserves its fair share of attention. With a p-value of less than 0.01, the evidence supporting the connection between the Republican votes in Wisconsin and the geothermal power in Costa Rica stands as firm as a sequoia amidst a forest of statistical hypotheses. Our fascination with this correlation has been akin to witnessing a symphony emerge from a cacophony, urging us to contemplate the celestial dance of statistical significance and the terrestrial forces that underpin it.

Furthermore, the scatterplot (Fig. 1) visually captures the compelling relationship between these variables, resembling a celestial alignment of statistical data points that beckons the imagination with its enigmatic beauty. The strength of this correlation, as illustrated by the scatterplot, is as unmistakable as a neon sign in a foggy night—a beacon of statistical intrigue that illuminates the path for further exploration.



**Figure 1.** Scatterplot of the variables by year

In conclusion, the unearthing of this unlikely correlation has piqued our research team's curiosity, provoking questions as profound as the depths of an ocean trench. The implications of such a correlation beckon us to contemplate the clandestine interplay between geological dynamism and political proclivities. This unexpected correlation leaves us pondering the enigmatic ways in which our world—both above and below ground—continuously surprises us with its convoluted interconnections.

The unexpected nature of our findings underscores the need for further investigations into the far-reaching consequences of geothermal energy, both on electoral dynamics and beyond. As we turn the page, our eyes are trained on the horizon of scientific inquiry, eager to uncover more hidden gems in the labyrinth of empirical data.

## V. Discussion

Our research has unearthed a correlation that seems as surprising as finding a penguin in the desert. This unexpected connection between the votes for the Republican presidential candidate

in Wisconsin and the geothermal power generated in Costa Rica not only provides fodder for inquisitive minds but also tickles the fancy of statistical curiosities.

This study has built upon previous research, plumbing the depths of literature to identify threads that may illuminate the curious connection between voting patterns in Wisconsin and geothermal energy in Costa Rica. The literature review unearthed a rich tapestry of sources, including an exploration of the geopolitical impact of geothermal energy, a whimsical journey through the socio-political ramifications of renewable energy, and even a fictional foray into the primal forces unleashed by genetic manipulation. These diverse sources, both real and playful, have woven a colorful backdrop for our investigation, prompting us to contemplate the multifaceted interplay of statistical correlations and otherworldly influences.

The robust correlation coefficient of 0.8458923 and the p-value of less than 0.01 in our analysis provide statistical backing to the unexpected connection between these seemingly disparate variables. The strength of this correlation stands as firm as a sequoia amidst a forest of statistical hypotheses, capturing our imagination much like witnessing a symphony emerging from a cacophony. The visual representation of this relationship in the scatterplot resembles a celestial alignment of statistical data points, beckoning the imagination with its enigmatic beauty.

Our findings not only validate the unexpected connection we stumbled upon but also ignite the flames of curiosity, inspiring further inquiries into the clandestine interplay between geological dynamism and political proclivities. This correlation begs the question of whether the earth beneath our feet harbors subtle influences that ripple across continents, akin to how a ticklish sneeze can reverberate through a silent lecture hall.

The implications of our research extend beyond the realm of statistical marvel, calling for continued exploration into the far-reaching consequences of geothermal energy on electoral dynamics and beyond. As we tread the path of scientific inquiry, we are poised to unravel more hidden gems in the labyrinth of empirical data, much like intrepid explorers unearthing ancient treasures in uncharted territories. The whimsical nature of our findings serves as a reminder that the scientific landscape, much like the earth itself, is teeming with unexpected revelations waiting to be unearthed.

## **VI. Conclusion**

In conclusion, our study has successfully showcased the improbable yet robust correlation between the votes for the Republican presidential candidate in Wisconsin and the geothermal power generated in Costa Rica. This unlikely duo has left us pondering the intricate dance between electoral dynamics and geological forces, not unlike a synchronized tango between statistical variables. The statistical significance of this relationship stands as solid as a rock in a landslide, urging us to acknowledge the cryptic influence hidden in the earth's depths on the political leanings of a distant populace. The unexpected nature of this correlation, akin to stumbling upon a fossilized trinket in a statistical dig, suggests a rich landscape for further exploration, but we must acknowledge that sometimes, correlation does not imply causation – even if it feels as compelling as a well-orchestrated scientific sonnet. Therefore, it is our firm stance – much like a sturdy data analysis pipeline – that no further research in this area is needed, as we have unearthed an unexpected gem in the caverns of statistical inquiry.

Moreover, our study, much like a geothermal eruption, operates within the boundaries of correlation and does not seek to imply causation. Our findings invite a spirited debate and further exploration, challenging researchers to plumb the depths of this enigmatic relationship.

#### Conclusion:

With swords sheathed and statistical armor glistening, we emerge from the crucible of methodology, having uncovered a correlation that defies the conventional norms of scholarly pursuit. The path ahead beckons with an ambient glow of intrigue and possibility, inviting fellow researchers to illuminate this enigmatic nexus between political ballots and geothermal currents. As we venture forth, we heed the profound wisdom etched into the very bedrock of our findings: in the esoteric world of statistical analysis, the unexpected often holds the key to understanding the tantalizing mysteries that animate our scientific realm.