Candidate manifestos

(1) *Segment corpus to the level of statements*

Statement-level corpus

(2) → *Intercoder reliability tests*

(3) *Manual coding of 3,000 statements*

Annotated corpus

(4) *Fine-tune Japanese BERT for downstream task*

Fine-tuned transformer model

(5) *Assess classification using out-of-sample predictions*

(6) *Predict policy area of all statements*

Classified statement-level corpus

(7) *Aggregate issue salience to the level of manifestos*

Dataset on legislators and legislative posts

(8) *Merge*

Dataset for analysis