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Guide to replication files for Goldsmith, Semenovich, Sowmya, and Grgić. 2017. "Political Competition and the Initiation of International Conflict: A New Perspective on the Institutional Foundations of Democratic Peace," *World Politics* doi: 10.1017/S0043887116000307.[1]

The replication materials for this article include 5 folders: Main_Analysis, Additional_Regime, Additional_Components, TERGMs, and GAMs. The content of each folder is described briefly below. The variable names used in the analyses correspond to the variables in the main analysis as indicated in the table below. Additional variable names in the supplementary analyses and robustness checks should be self-explanatory when the original article is consulted.

Variable Names Guide

Variable Name in Article	Variable Name in Replication Files
ICB Crisis Initiation t+1	ficbinitdum
RegimeTypeA	polity21p
RegimeTypeA x RegimeTypeB	polityXpolity
CompetitionA	BGcomp1p
CompetitionA x RegimeTypeB	BGcomp1pXpolity22p
ConstraintsA	BGexconst1p
ConstraintA x RegimeTypeB	BGexconst1pXpolity22p
ParticipationA	BGpart1p
ParticipationA x RegimeTypeB	BGpart1pXpolity22p
RegimeTypeB	polity22p
ln(TradeDependenceA)	lnGDPshare_1
IntraStateConflictA	IntraUCDP_1
IntraStateConflictB	IntraUCDP_2
Alliance	ally_dum_w
JointIGOs	NUMIGOfill
CapabilityA	cap_1
CapabilityB	cap_2
Contiguity	contig24
ln(Distance)	lndistance
PeaceYears	icbinitpcyrs
PeaceYears^2	icbinitpcyrs2
PeaceYears^3	icbinitpcyrs3

[1] After the initial upload of the replication files, an error in the article citation was corrected in the command files, which required all replication files to be uploaded again. This might lead to a change in the data set version number assigned by Dataverse that is not reflected in the published article, but the data and command codes are those used in the original article

Main_Analysis: The Main_Analysis folder contains Stata .do files with commands to reproduce the analyses in the tables and figures in the main text of the article. It also contains the Stata .dta files with the data for the analysis in the folders: Main_Analysis, Additional_Regime, and Additional_Components.

Additional_Regime: The Additional_Regime folder contains Stata .do files to reproduce the additional analyses regarding Regime Type of State A discussed in the main text of the article and in some cases presented in more detail in the Supplementary Materials to the article.

Additional_Components; The Additional_Components folder contains Stata .do files to reproduce the additional analyses using Regime Components of State A discussed in the main text of the article and in some cases presented in more detail in the Supplementary Materials to the article.

TERGMs: The TERGMs folder contains an R script file and a Stata data file to reproduce the Temporal Random Graph Models discussed in the main text and presented in Table A_TERGM in the Supplementary materials.

GAMs: The GAMs folder contains R script files and a Stata data file to reproduce the Generalized Additive Model results discussed in the main text and presented in Figure A_GAMs in the Supplementary materials.