Supplementary Documentation: Secondary Codebook Notes

Notes on Codebook Coverage

Among the datasets compiled for this project, some (e.g., Legislator_Main, law38b) receive detailed, variable-by-variable documentation because they are central to the empirical analysis and directly cited in the manuscript.

Other datasets (e.g., law73, law75a, law7779, and related files) are used primarily as supplementary materials, robustness checks, or sources for network construction. For these, the variable names are already self-explanatorytypically corresponding to official law, petition, or resolution titles in Japaneseor serve as intermediate constructs (e.g., simplified indices for network graphs or categorical groupings).

To keep the documentation concise and accessible, I provide summarized descriptions for these datasets below rather than full translations of every variable name.

Secondary Codebook Notes

- **law73, law75a, law7779** Variable names directly denote the law or resolution titles in Japanese (Shwa year, date, bill/resolution/petition number, and short title). All variables are binary indicators, with 1 = endorsement and 0 = otherwise.
- **law7779b** Identical to law7779, but variable names are simplified (i1, i2, etc.) to allow direct use in network analysis.
- **law75c** Categorization of proposals from law75a. Not used in the current project.
- **biz3645, career3645, major3645, var3642** Summary variables of legislator biographical information (e.g., occupation, career, major affiliations). Used only for network graphing. Variable names are self-explanatory.
- **proposals76** All proposals submitted in the 76th Diet session. Variable names are S1S29, denoting proposal numbers.
- **Q76** All questions submitted in the 76th Diet session. Variable names are Q1Q18, denoting question numbers. S76B1 is a presence marker for the 76th Diet.
- **par_district** District-level averages. Variables are self-explanatory and described in detail in the manuscript.