

SOFTWARE

# $P \hat{=} 0.0069$ IN ELECTION RESULTS

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Too many “7” digits [were found for candidate A](#) in a study of the presidential election results.

This method is closely related to Benford’s Law. A highly significant ( $p \sim 0.0007$ ) excess of vote counts for candidate K that start with the digit 7 is found (41 observed, 21.2–22 expected).

I have to admit that I heard for the first time of the [Newcomb-Benford’s Law](#) (NBL)...

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