

**On Statistical Researches of Parliament Elections
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There is a lot of statistical researches of Russian elections 04.12.2011. The purpose of this activity is to give a mathematical proof of large falsifications and to estimate possible 'real results of elections'. My purpose is to show that

1. Statistical argumentation allows to prove existence of falsifications and to give a lower estimate of falsification, near 1 percent (may be, slightly more).
2. Statistical proofs of stronger statements are incorrect from both points of view of mathematics and of natural sciences.
3. Apparently, this problem is not a problem of pure mathematics (since it includes strong indeterminacy of sociological nature).

This is an elementary note about statistical researches of Russian parliament elections 04.12.2011 and about statistical mistakes (this is not a text about elections and electoral falsifications!). Such kind of researches with mathematical slogans occupied Russian newspapers and Russian Internet (as livejournals, etc.), they are reflected in some Western editions as Washington Post¹ and Wall Street Journal. There are also mathematical slogans and posters on meetings². Texts of such level can not be a subject of scientific reviews or scientific discussions. On the other hand such review seems necessary.

However, two similar papers [11], [12] of Dmitry Shpilkin were published in two Russian serials of scientific community, the electronic journal *Za-nauku.ru* and the newspaper *Troitskij variant*. This makes reviewing possible³.

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¹See [10]

²See preprint Simkin [10]. The Russian scientific newspaper 'Troitskij variant' 20.12.2011 [3] was begun by a banner '*Gauss instead of cobblestone*', explanation for a non-Russian reader is given below on Figure 26.

³On the history of his argumentation, see [9].

Shpilkin [11], [12] produces several statistical distributions (the detailed discussion is below) and says that they can not be obtained by the usual electoral process. Therefore, these odd distributions detect falsifications.

We use contra-arguments of 3 types:

A. Simple arguments of pure mathematics.

B. Experiments. Since we have methods of detection of electoral falsifications, it is possible to apply them to other countries. The results are challenging...

C. Oddities of statistical distributions admit natural alternative explanations. Sometimes such explanations are self-obvious, sometimes their verifications lead to sociological problems.

Each group A, B, C of reasonings (see below) is a sufficient counter-argument to [11], [12].

1 Samples. Peculiar properties of the modern Russian Federation and of the Duma elections, December 2011

Before a discussion of statistical distributions we need some preliminary remarks about properties of samples.

A. Parties

1.1. Parliament (*Duma*) voting is organized according party lists (no voting for individual candidates). Each party has a federal list of candidates and regional lists. Total number of position of a party in the parliament is determined by the global voting. The final regional distribution of parliamentarians depends on regional election results.

1.2. List of political parties. Main parties⁴ (which were present in the previous Duma and will be present in the next Duma)

UR (the United Russia) — the party of power;

CPRF — the Communist Party of the Russian Federation;

LDPR — the Liberal-Democratic Party of Russia (party of Zhirinovskiy);

JR — the Just Russia.

Additional parties:

the Yabloko - declares itself as a party of 'intelligent'⁵;

RC — the Right Cause;

PR — the Patriots of Russia.

1.3. Results of elections.

UR — 49.32,

CPRF — 19.19,

⁴Their political orientations is no matter for this note.

⁵A specific Russian social stratum (интеллигенция), dictionaries usually give a non-precise English translation 'intellectual'.

LDPR — 11.67,

JR — 13.24.

These 4 parties will be represented in the parliament. UR gets an absolute majority in the parliament (238 positions from 450). The remaining parties

Yabloko - 3.43,

PR - 0.97,

RC - 0.60

are not represented in the parliament due to the 5-percent barrier⁶.

1.4. Informal comments. Existing list of parties does not represent neither social strata, nor possible political programs. Proper constituent bodies of oppositional parties are small.

Part of electorate considers the oppositional parties as hidden (or visible) hands of the party of power, only CPRF is free from such suspicions.

B. Inhomogeneity and exceptional regions

1.5. Russia is an extremely territorially inhomogeneous country (this is a traditional property of Russia during the whole its history).

Modern economical, social, and demographic situations strongly vary along the country. The same holds for the confidence in the local powers, local influence of oppositional parties, and local oppositional leaders.

Inhomogeneity preserves on the level of regions (there is difference between cities, small towns, villages, etc.; even in different towns situation can be different).

1.6. Social inequality in the modern Russia is essentially larger than in modern Western countries.

1.7. Social situation in Russia was seriously changed during the last two years, 2010-2011.

1.8. Exceptional regions. According the Constitution⁷, the Russian Federation contains two types of regions. The regions of the first kind are called *oblast*, *kray*⁸ (55 regions), cities of Federal importance (2 regions). The regions of the second kind are national autonomies, they are named *republics* (21 regions), *autonomous okrugs*⁹ (4 regions), *autonomous oblast* (1 region).

Below we do not discuss 'autonomous okrugs', because their populations are small (by their definition). They are extreme north regions with mining industry.

'Republics' are different. Republics with Christian Orthodox title nations usually are similar to Russian regions. Some of the remaining 'republics' are ethnocracies or have strong ethnocratic tendencies, it seems that their aristoi have strong positions with respect to the central government. Below we use the term *exceptional regions*¹⁰ for such republics.

⁶A party that receive less than 5% is not represented in parliament

⁷<http://www.constitution.ru/en/10003000-04.htm>

⁸In official English translation of the Constitution they are called 'regions', 'territories'.

⁹Official English translation is 'autonomies'.

¹⁰I give a definition of exceptional objects in political terms, however they are distinguished in the table in the next section, also see below Figures 22 and 23

Chechenia is a local dictatorship inside Russia. Other exceptional regions are essentially softer, but their powers are sufficiently strong to organize voting in their own interests.

1.9. Results of voting in the exceptional regions. Here we present the list of regions (excluding 'natsionalnyj okrugs'), where the dominant party 'United Russia' received more than 2/3 percents of voices¹¹. We also present the voting turnout (column 3). The last column contains the percent of voters for United Russia with respect to the total amount of electors. In brackets we write total number of electors (in millions).

The Republic of Chechenia (0.6)	99.5	99.5	99.0
The Republic of Mordovia (0.7)	91.6	94.2	86.3
The Republic of Dagestan (1.6)	91.4	91.2	83.6
The Republic of Ingushetia (0.2)	91.0	86.4	78.6
The Karachaevo-Cherkesskaya Republic (0.3)	89.8	93.2	74.7
The Republic of Tyva (0.2)	86.3	85.1	73.4
The Republic of Kabardino-Balkaria (0.5)	81.9	98.4	80.6
The Republic of Tatarstan (3.0)	77.8	79.5	61.9
The Republic of Bashkortostan (2.9)	70.5	79.3	55.9
The Republic of North Osetia (0.5)	67.9	85.8	58.3
The Tambov oblast (0.9)	66.7	68.3	45.6

This list contains only two non-exceptional regions, (agricultural) Tambov oblast (on the low boundary of 2/3 with relatively small voting turnout) and the Republic of Mordovia, whose 'result' seems completely 'mysterious'.

The total percent of voices for United Russia in the whole country is 49.3, the voting turnout is 60.2¹². The total amount of electors is 109.2 millions.

The total number of voices for United Russia was 32.4 millions. The exceptional regions (plus the Republic of Mordovia) gave United Russia 7.3 millions (22.5%).

The exceptional regions plus the Republic of Mordovia (totally near 10.5 millions of electors, near 10 percents) produce numerous exotic properties of electoral statistical distributions.

Consider Russia without the exceptional regions. Then the result of UR is 44.3% (the relative loss of the party is $(49.3 - 44.3)/49.3$, i.e. 10% of collected voices). Certainly, without the exceptional regions UR could not receive the absolute majority in the parliament.

It seems that nobody believes in the results of elections in the exceptional regions, however such discussion is not a question of mathematics¹³. Local aristoi are interested to send their representatives to the Federal parliament, to demonstrate their own power to local population of regions, and to show to the central government both a loyalty and a force.

¹¹The complete table of regions is contained in Addendum 1.

¹²We have $49.3 \times 60.2 = 0.3$. In this sense the Tambov oblast is more similar to ordinary regions than to the exceptional 'republics'. See Addendum 1.

¹³It can happened that real percents of voting for United Russia in some republics were relatively large, but smaller than it was 'drawn'. Voting turnout is even more impressive.

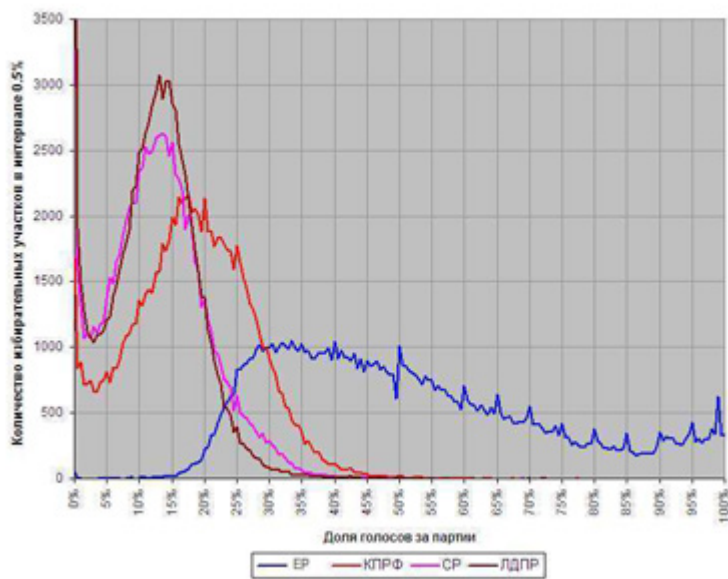


Рис. 1: From [11]. Station-voting diagram for the whole Russia The horizontal axis corresponds to percent of voices for a party, the vertical axis corresponds to number of voting station with a given percent. The step is 0.5%. Blue curve shows the distribution of UR, red; lilac, brown correspond to CPRF, JR, LDPR respectively. Integrals $\int f_j(p)dp$ coincide for all graphs f_j .

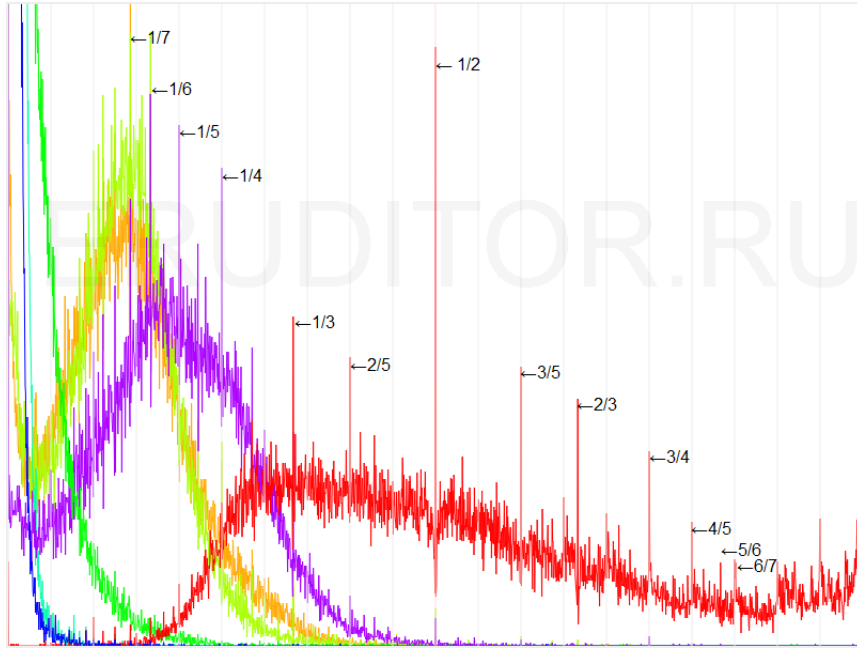


Рис. 2: (Kuznetsov [7]) The station-voting diagram (i.e. Figure 1) with the step 0.05%. Graphs for parties UR (red), CPRF (lilac), JR (yellow), LDPR (green), Yabloko (dark green), PR (dark blue), RC (blue).

2 Existence theorem for falsifications

2.1. Argument 1. Dents. D.Shpilkin [11], [12] for 4 main parties evaluates number of voting stations with a given percent of voices for a party. He get 4 graphs given on Figure [11]. We call such figures as *station-voting diagrams*.

Certainly, dents on 50, 60, 65, 70, ... percents is a sufficient argument for existence of falsifications. It is clear that electoral commissions tried to achieve these 'important' numbers.

Kobak [6] claims that dents give lower estimate¹⁴ $\geq 1\%$.

However, we discuss this more carefully (d'apres Kuznetsov and Kobak)

2.2. Unexpected obstacle. Kuznetsov [7] presents the same station-voting diagram in another resolution, the step is 0.05 percents.

We observe numerous dents on graphs corresponding to fractions p/q with small numerators q . Apparently, such dents are artifacts corresponding to small voting stations¹⁵. Therefore dents at 50, 60, $65 \simeq 66.6$, 75, 80 on Figure 1

¹⁴This 1% is partially due to the exceptional regions. Doubtless (by non-mathematical reasoning), the exceptional regions produced more than 1 percent...

¹⁵Consider a voting station with N electors. Possible results of a party is k/l with $l \leq N$. But $1/2$ is repeated among possible fractions approximately $N/2$ times. On the other hand, $1/2$ has a neighborhood free of fractions with denominator $\leq N$. Also, fractions, close to $1/2$

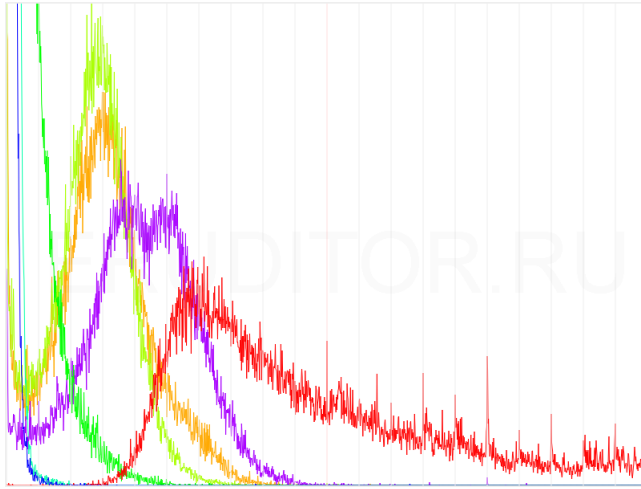


Рис. 3: (Kuznetsov [7]) The number of electors on voting stations with given percent for a given party (this is not a station-voting diagram). The resolution is 0.2%.

partially correspond to small stations. However, small stations can be easily eliminated, see Figure 3¹⁶. Dent at 50% survive, but the dent at 60% almost disappears. However, the similar picture with resolution 0.5 percents was given by Kobak (more precisely, he presents the number of voices for UR). Figure 4 shows that 60-percent peaks disappears and 50-percent becomes problematic...

Thus dents at fractions $1/2 = 0.50$ and $3/5 = 0.60$ disappear. However it remains a periodic structure at values

$$13/20 = 0.65, \quad 7/10 = 0.7, \quad 3/4 = 0.75, \quad 4/5 = 0.80, \\ 17/20 = 0.85, \quad 9/10 = 0.90, \quad 19/20 = 0.95$$

Other rational numbers do not produce dents. It seems that it is impossible to invent an explanation except 'drawing' of results of elections or upward rounding¹⁷.

To avoid doubts, we present an impressive Figure 5 for the Republic of North Osetia and the Republic of Bashkortostan. Both regions are exceptional in the sense mentioned above.

2.3. Computer-generated graphics. Thus the initial reaction concerning

have large denominators.

Kuznetsov [7] presents results of numerical stimulation of a coin-flip voting on small voting stations. This produces sharp-toothed graph instead of expected constant.

¹⁶We observe a substantial transformation of the UR-graph. This shows existence of huge number of small voting stations, for instance, in villages, in hospitals, in frontier posts, some military objects, on ships, in pre-trial detection centers...

¹⁷Apparently, it is interesting to draw histograms without small voting stations and histograms whose steps are not a divisor of 5 percents.

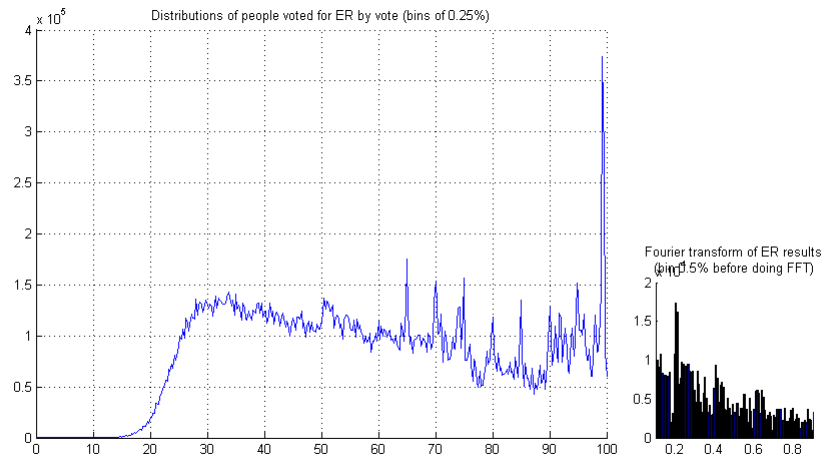


Рис. 4: (Kobak) The number of voices obtained UR on electoral stations with given percent of voices for UR (this is not a station-voting diagram). The resolution is 0.5%

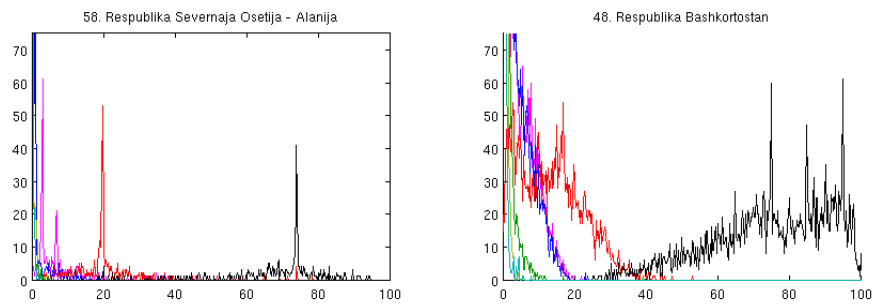


Рис. 5: (Kobak) Station-voting diagram for the Republic of North Osetia and the Republic of Bashkortostan. UR is black, CPRF is red.

dents was correct. However this discussion shows dangers hidden in completely convincing computer graphics.

3 Non-Gaussian distributions

3.1. The most common argument. This is:

OBSERVATION. *Graphs on the station-voting diagram (Figure 1) are not Gaussian!*

COROLLARIES:

- 1) *This proves the global falsification.*
- 2) *We can estimate the real result of UR.*

This was a topic of posters on meetings (see Figures 24, 25), this was multiplied in Internet thousands times, repeated by numerous journalists, this came to West newspapers.

But Gaussian distributions are produced by the Central Limit Theorem, it can not be applied to station-voting diagrams.

3.2. A remark. Let us imagine a Russian region voting by a coin flip; a citizen, which obtains 'head', votes for UR. In this case, the distribution on the station-voting diagram is not Gaussian...

Indeed, consider all voting stations of a fixed size n . The density of the corresponding distribution is

$$\sqrt{\frac{2n}{\pi}} e^{-2n(x-1/2)^2}$$

After mixing with respect to n we get a density of the form

$$\int \sqrt{\frac{2n}{\pi}} e^{-2n(x-1/2)^2} d\mu(n).$$

Assume that this density is Gaussian, i.e. $= \sqrt{\frac{2h}{\pi}} e^{-2h(x-1/2)^2}$. We change the variable $y = 2(x - 1/2)^2$ and write the equation

$$\int \sqrt{\frac{2n}{\pi}} e^{-ny} d\mu(n) = \sqrt{\frac{2h}{\pi}} e^{-hy}.$$

Applying $\frac{d^k}{dy^k}$ to the both sides we get

$$\int \sqrt{\frac{2n}{\pi}} e^{-ny} n^k d\mu(n) = h^k \sqrt{\frac{2h}{\pi}} e^{-hy}$$

For a fixed y we know all moments of the measure

$$d\nu_y(n) := \sqrt{\frac{2n}{\pi}} e^{-ny} d\mu(n).$$

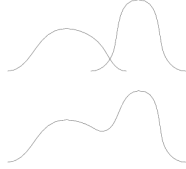


Рис. 6: Addition of two Gaussian densities.

Therefore,

$$d\nu_y(n) = \sqrt{\frac{2h}{\pi}} e^{-hy} \delta(n - h),$$

where $\delta(\cdot)$ is the delta-function. Therefore, $d\nu_y(n)$ is a delta-measure. Thus, $d\mu(n)$ is a delta-measure.

Sizes of voting stations in Russia strongly vary (from 2-20 electors upto 3000). Therefore, *for an ideal problem the station-voting diagram is not Gaussian*.

However in this case we get a symmetric one-mode distribution.

3.3. Discussion. In spite of the previous remark, let us assume that Russia consists of two ideal regions with Gaussian distributions on their station-voting diagrams. In different regions, these distributions are different. Therefore we add two Gaussian densities. We can get a wavy line, see Figure 6.

Even if we get a function with one peak, the graph will be asymmetric.

Sum of many Gaussian summands is a graph of non-predictable form. For a homogeneous country (as Sweden) we apparently will get a Gaussian-like picture (something having one maximum and relatively symmetric). For strongly inhomogeneous Russia there are no reasons to expect a Gauss-like curve. See also argumentation in [10].

In note [8], I tried to explain to a reader familiar with modern life of the Russian Federation that an approximate form of graphs of main parties on Figure 1 seems to be realistic (if to keep in mind situation in the exceptional regions). Falsifications in ordinary regions deform graphs. Final results of elections depend on the precise positions of graphs on Figure 3.

Certainly, if we omit the exceptional regions from the considerations, then the form of UR-graph changes (it must be lower at the segment 65-100%). But it have to be non-Gaussian.

3.4. A station-voting distributions Gaussian in West countries?

This was verified by several authors. Kuznetsov [7] presents station-voting diagrams for elections in Great Britain, 2010 (Figure 7), Kalinin [5] for Canada, blogger '8cinq' for Poland (Figure 8), blogger 'levrrr' for Israel, (Figure 9). Graphs, which have no reasons to be Gaussian are not Gaussian. No mystery.

3.5. Computer-generated graphics again. It is interesting to compare Figures 1 and 3. Both distributions for UR are non-Gaussian. But the second



Рис. 7: From [7]. Elections in Great Britain, 2008. Station-voting diagrams for main parties (Conservative, Labor, and Liberal-Democratic).



Рис. 8: From <http://8cinq.livejournal.com/32693.html>. Parliament elections in Poland, 2011. Station-voting diagrams for parties Prawo i Sprawiedliwosc and Obywatelska Rzeczpospolitej Polskiej. It seems that Poland is relatively homogeneous.

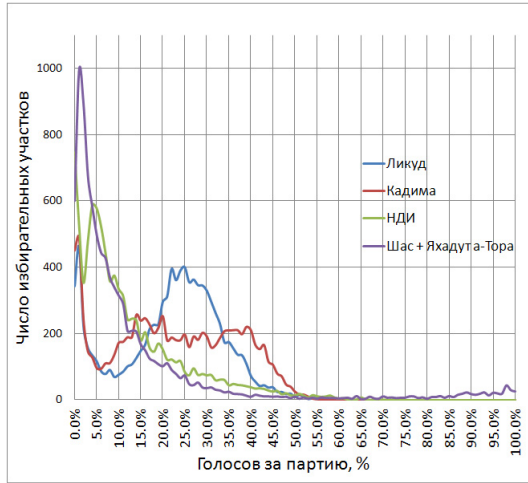


Рис. 9: From <http://levrrr.livejournal.com/31427.html>. Elections in Israel, 2009. Station-voting diagrams for parties Likud, Kadima, Yisrael Beiteinu, Shas+United Torah Judaism.

figure is less impressive¹⁸, and only the first picture can serve turn a meeting poster (see Figure 24).

A transformation of CPRF also it is interesting. On Figure 1 the graph has two modes, on Figure 3 it has three modes.

4 Distributions of voting turnout

4.1. Distribution of turnout. Next, D.Shpilkin draws diagrams with distribution of turnout, i.e. he evaluates number of stations with a given turnout. He claims that the distributions in democratic countries are Gaussian (Figure 10) and in Russia they are not Gaussian (Figure 11).

Here we repeat the same arguments as above

1. This distribution has no reasons to be Gaussian in an inhomogeneous country.

2. Assume that electors solve the question 'to vote or not to vote?' by a coin flip. As it was mentioned above, the corresponding distribution is not Gaussian.

4.2. Some West countries. We present graphs of such distributions for Germany (Figure 12) and Israel (Figure 13).

4.3. Natural explanations. There are relatively obvious reasons for non-democratic parts of Russian graphs on Figure 11. For instance:

1) As it was mentioned in Footnote 16, there is a lot of small voting stations in Russia. Such stations easily produce large turnout (see the list in the footnote). In some cases lists of electors are generated during the voting.

¹⁸... and corresponds to real distribution of voices.

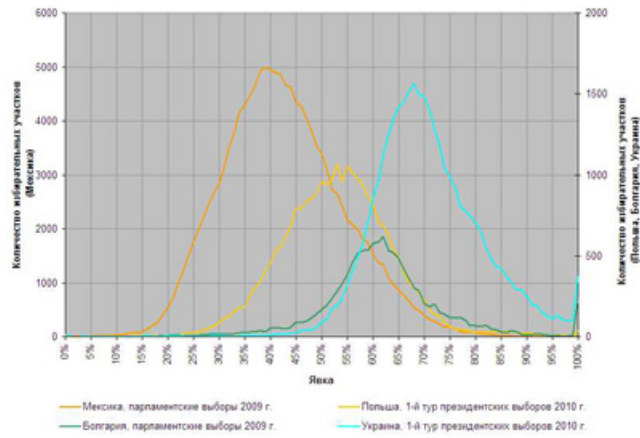


Рис. 10: From Shpilkin [11]. Distribution of turnout for Mexico, president elections 2010 (brown), Bulgaria, 2010 parliament elections (green), Poland, first tour of president elections 2010 (yellow) Ukraine, first tour of president elections 2010 (blue)

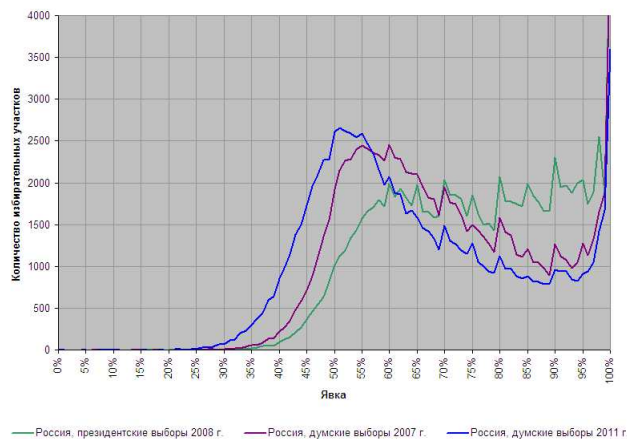


Рис. 11: From Shpilkin [11]. Distribution of turnout for elections in Russia: president elections, 2008 (green); parliament elections, 2007 (lilac); parliament elections, 2011 (blue).

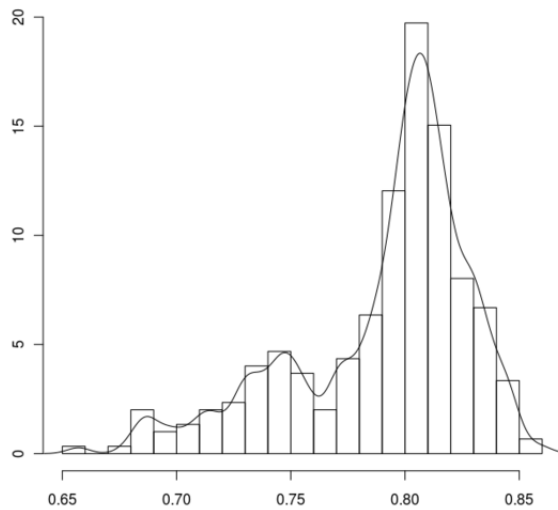


Рис. 12: From <http://jemmybutton.livejournal.com/1638.html>. Distribution of turnout for elections in Germany, 2002.



Рис. 13: From <http://levrrr.livejournal.com/31427.html>. Distribution of turnout for elections in Israel, 2009.

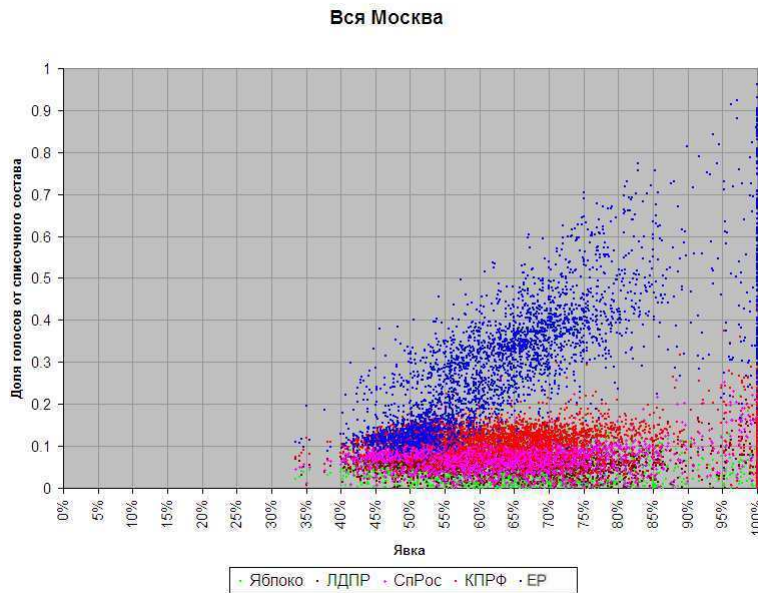


Рис. 14: From [11]. The *compressed cloud diagram*. Elections in Moscow, 2011. For each voting station we draw five points, blue for UR, lilac for JR, red for CPRF, brown for LDPR, green for Yabloko. The horizontal axis is a voting turnout, the vertical axis is a percent for a party from the total number of electors.

- 2) Voting in army.
- 3) Voting in the exceptional regions.

It seems that after removing these components we must get something similar to (non-Gaussian) Israel graph (modulo a reflection).

Notice also that dents on Figure 11 are partially generated by falsifications¹⁹. But sometimes this can be a result of efforts of commission to collect electors.

5 Correlations between voting turnout and results of voting

5.1. Cloud diagrams. In computer-generated graphics of Russian elections diagrams of the following two types are popular.

- a) *Cloud diagrams*. For each voting station we draw a point

$$(x, y) = (\text{percent of voting turnout, percent for UR}).$$

¹⁹See Figure 23 below for the Republic of Daghestan and the Republic of North Osetia, both regions are exceptional.

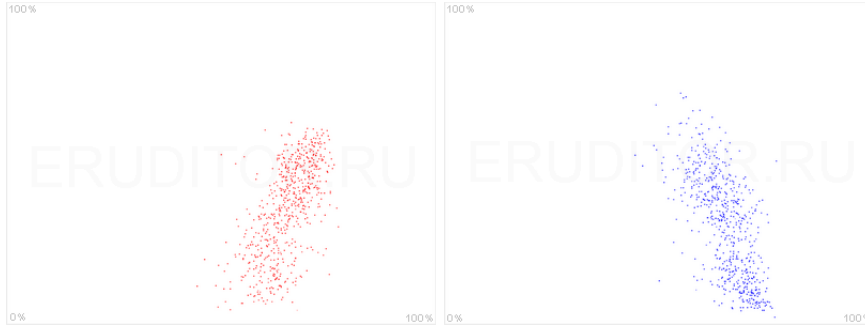


Рис. 15: From [7]. Cloud diagram for voting in Great Britain, 2010. The blue cloud corresponds to the Conservative Party, the red cloud to the Labor Party.

Thus we get a cloud of points in the square $0 \leq x \leq 100$, $0 \leq y \leq 100$.

b) *Compressed cloud diagrams*. For each voting station we draw a point with coordinates

$$(u, v) = (\text{percent of voting turnout}, \text{percent for UR from total number of electors}).$$

The compressed cloud diagram is obtained from the cloud diagram by the transformation

$$u = x \quad v = xy. \quad (5.1)$$

It is contained in the triangle $0 \leq y \leq x \leq 100$.

5.2. Correlation. D. Shpilkin [11], [12] presents the compressed cloud diagram for Moscow, see Figure 14.

We observe that clouds of 3 main oppositional parties are horizontal, the cloud for UR is inclined. D.Shpilkin says that the inclination of UR-cloud is generated by falsifications. He concludes that only the piece of UR-cloud in the corner $x \leq 55\%$, $y \leq 0.2$ is realistic and the rest is falsified.,

In particular, this means a global injection of ballots on large majority of voting stations of Moscow.

5.3. Doubts-1. West analogs. The argumentation is based on the axiom: *'Result of voting on a given station and voting turnout are independent variables'*.

Kuznetsov [7] presents cloud diagrams for elections in Great Britain, Figure 15. Blogger 'jemmybutton' also checked elections in Germany, Figure 16, blogger 'levrrr' for Israel (Figure 17). We observe that the axiom contradicts to experiments...

5.4. Doubts-2. Social reasons. Accepting the claim of [11], [12] we get a global injection of ballots on the large majority of voting stations of Moscow. The statement seems suspiciously strong.

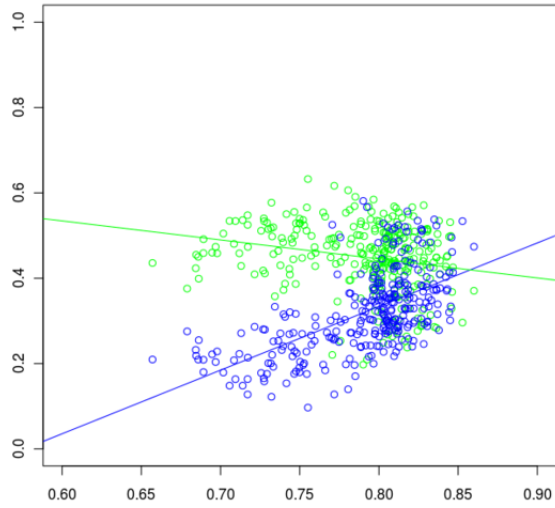


Рис. 16: Cloude diagram from <http://jemmybutton.livejournal.com>, 09.12.2011. Elections in Germany, 2002. Blue circles correspond to Christian Democratic Party + Christian Social Party. Green circles - Social Democratic party + coalition.

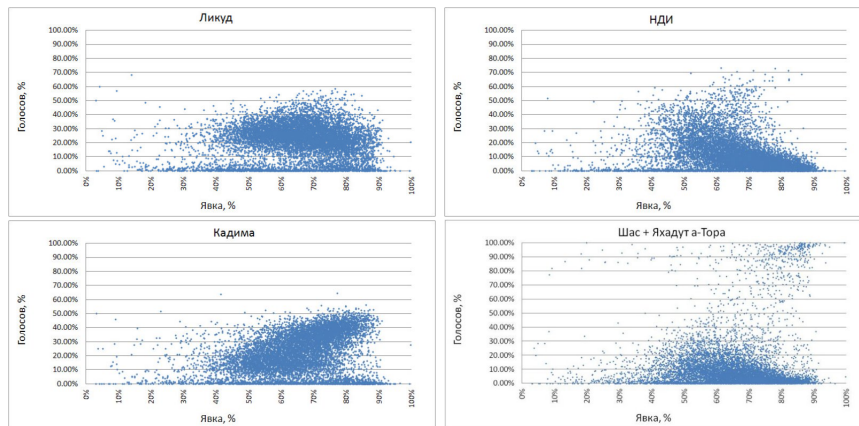


Рис. 17: From <http://levrrr.livejournal.com/31427.html>. Elections in Israel, 2009. Cloud diagrams for main parties.

First, each case of such falsification can be easily unmasked by tools of the usual law and the usual forensics. The number of voices in a final report must correspond to the number of signatures in account books (containing also passport data of each person and the address of his registration). Therefore it is necessary to write huge number of false signatures in each voting station. I admit that statement of [11], [12] can be correct, but in such case this can be easily verified without mathematics (for more detailed discussion of types of electoral falsifications, see Petrov, [9], see also Buzin, Kynev [4]).

Second. Participants of electoral commissions are not members of a secrete guard, they are ordinary people fulfilling social duties. Lot of voting stations are traditionally located in schools, many thousands of Moscow school teachers work on elections... On the other hand, voting of patients in hospitals was organized in hospitals by doctors.^{20,21}.

5.5. Doubts-3. On alternative conjectures. The simplest conjecture is the following. Assume that a voting area is homogeneous. People, who are against the power, go to elections and vote for one of oppositional parties. The remains (for instance people, who consider the existing power as lesser evil) do not want too much to go to elections. If they go, then they vote for UR... In an inhomogeneous area a density of oppositional population can be a function of point.

Another version of the same conjecture: we have natural voting + falsification. In this case we can not separate two parts of the blue cloud.

It can have other reasons. However Shpilkin [11], [12] claims an axiom about independence (see above) and proposes to accept it or to search contra-arguments²².

5.6. Computer-generated graphics. I present a quote from [11].

'The remaining points of voting for UR are spread as a diagonal cloud corresponding artificial raising of voices for UR, and probably, lowering of voices for other parties.'

Let us notice that scales on the horizontal and vertical axes on Figure 14 are different... Figure 14 implies (if we accept the proposed paradigm) a stronger claim. We continue the discussion in the next section.

6 Is Moscow metropolis homogeneous?

The topic of the following discussions is not contained in Shpilkin [11], [12]. However it is a continuation of the previous section and it is one of main arguments of 'electoral science'.

²⁰Voting in hospitals produces many voting stations with small number of electors and with large voting turnout.

²¹It seems that both strata, school teachers and health professionals, have no reasons to like the power of the country. The best hated ministers in Russia in 2011 were the Minister of education and the Minister of health.

²²As two axiom about Gauss discussed above (see also an axiom of homogeneity of Moscow discussed below).

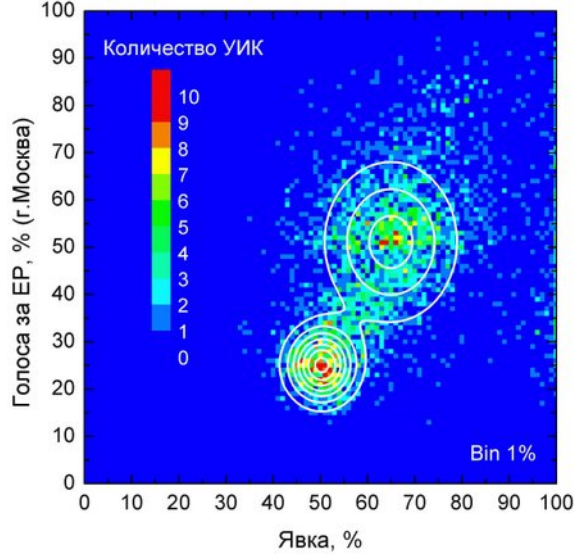


Рис. 18: From <http://oude-rus.livejournal.com/540865.html>. The UR-cloud from Figure 14. Moscow. Scales on axes are equal.

6.1. Moscow UR-cloud again. Next, we look to Figure 18. Modas of the UR cloud are at the points $(50; 25)$, $(65; 50)$. Passing to the compressed diagram we get points $(50; 12.5)$, $(65; 32.5)$. The slope is

$$\frac{32.5 - 12.5}{65 - 50} = \frac{20}{15} = 1.33 > 1$$

and we observe that the inclination of the ER-cloud is more than 45 degrees. Hence the result of elections can not be explained by the injection of ballots...

There is a conjecture about robbing of the Yabloko (it is popular among adherents of Yabloko). We look to Figure 20. First, we observe that there is a correlations between clouds of UR and of the Yabloko (modas are on the same vertical lines). Modes of the Yabloko cloud are at points $(50, 12)$, $(65, 5)$. Passing to compressed diagrams we get points $(50; 6)$, $(65; 3.25)$. The inclination is

$$\frac{6 - 3.25}{65 - 50} = \frac{2.75}{15} = 0.18 < 0.33$$

It seems that this is not sufficient to 'help' to the United Russia.

Keeping the paradigm we have to assume that the results of elections on the majority of Moscow voting stations were more-or-less 'drawn' by electoral commissions²³,

²³Such commissions in Moscow consist of tens thousands of more-or-less ordinary people

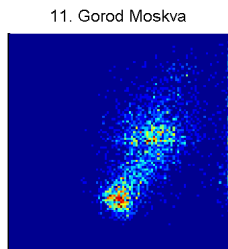


Рис. 19: (Kobak) The same diagram (I do not understand meaning of a connected contour on the previous figure).

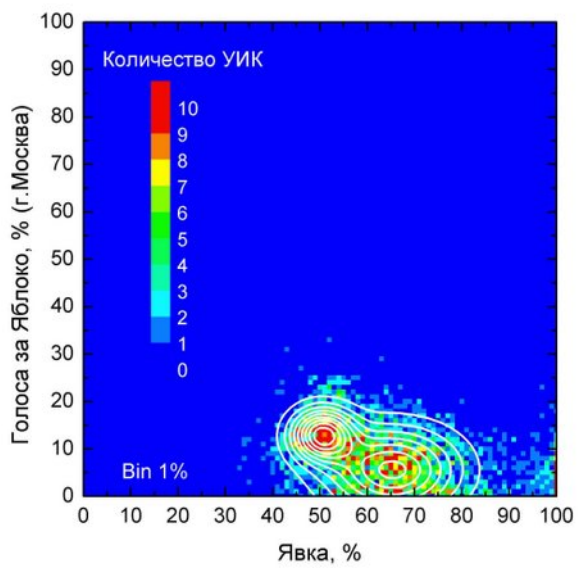


Рис. 20: From <http://oude-rus.livejournal.com/540865.html>. The Yabloko-cloud. Moscow.

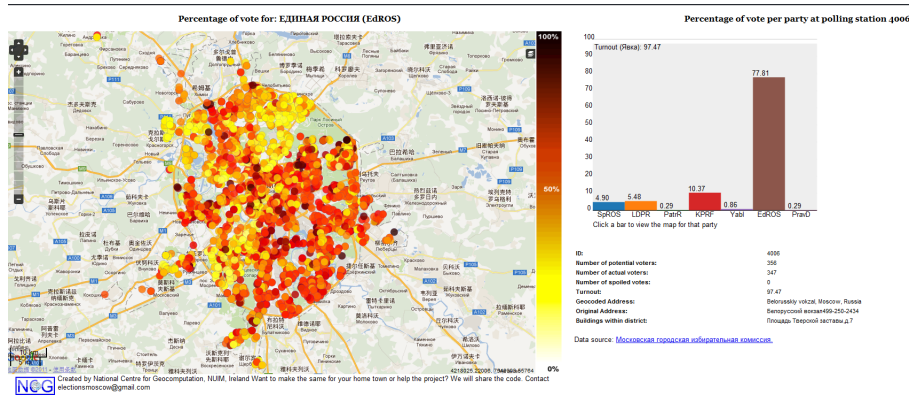


Рис. 21: From <http://pics.livejournal.com/kireev/pic/00042rt0> Territorial distribution of voting for UR in Moscow. The caption to the map is visible after zoom. Yellow color marks low results of UR, red color high result.

6.2. Is Moscow homogeneous? In my opinion, this is the first question, which must be asked by a mathematician looking to Figure 18. An important thesis of adherents of electoral computer graphics is '*Moscow is homogeneous*'. Let us discuss this using simple arguments.

The next Figure 21 shows a territorial distribution of voting for UR in Moscow.

Being in the paradigm of [11], [12], we have to assume that 'red' areas of Moscow are areas of total falsification, 'yellow' areas are bastions of honey.

But it can happen that 'yellow' areas are simply places of concentration of stratas of Moscow population that *now* are 'angry' (including 'intelligent'²⁴ and some other strata of 'middle class'²⁵).

6.3. Inhomogeneity of Moscow population. Soviet time. The author of these notes during 20 years (1966-1987) lived in a working class area. Such areas arose in Moscow in the period of industrialization and produced usual problems related to such areas. I only mention high level of aggression of teenagers and tense atmosphere in schools. This 'defended' such areas from an infiltration of 'intelligent'.

Later (70-80s) so-called 'bedroom districts' became usual in Moscow. This means that the majority of population of these areas were employed far from their houses. Apartments in Soviet time were distributed by the state. But the

and include numerous representatives of opposition parties. There are too much criminals (near 15-20 thousands) and they are too silent ... This is not *reductio ad absurdum*, but we get very strong corollaries from our axioms. Such social phenomena must be observable without computer-generated graphics.

²⁴This explains correlation between modes of the United Russia and the Yabloko

²⁵Notice that there were two diverse electoral slogans of 'angry' stratas, '*Vote against the United Russia, the Party of swindlers and thieves*' and '*Boycott elections!*'. For this reason, 'angry' population was not sufficiently well-represented on elections.

'state' in this case was not an abstraction, it was represented by numerous economical and social structures of different level, starting with some strong firms (as big factories, technological-research centers, etc...) and ending with ministries. Such centralized settlement had to produce numerous inhomogeneities of the population.

On the other hand it was possible to buy a flat with payment by installment ('cooperative'). Such projects were initiated by state structures, this produced exceptional buildings or groups of buildings.

6.4. Post-Soviet time. After 1991 Moscow met the usual problems of modern huge cities (may be, in more rigid forms), it seems that the growth of non-homogeneity is one of such phenomena...

In any case, Moscow has sufficient reasons to be inhomogeneous, and the statement 'Moscow is homogeneous' is non-justified. In particular, this statement claims that Moscow is an extraordinary metropolis...

Certainly, the problem of social and ethnic inhomogeneity of Moscow is not a problem of mathematics.

7 Final remarks

I recall that his note is not a text about parliament elections in Russia.

7.1. I do not review numerous non-Gaussian electoral distributions, which have no a priori reasons to be Gaussian.

7.2. There exists also argumentation related to difference between results of voting on stations equipped with systems of automatic counting of ballots and remaining stations. See comments in the papers of Petrov [9] and Kobak [6].

7.3. Modern methods of investigation of Russian elections allow to give a mathematical proof of falsification of elections in arbitrary sufficiently inhomogeneous country²⁶. In particular, they allow to prove falsification of any elections, which can happen in Russia (and apparently to assign any desired percent of falsification).

7.4. Tens of men equipped with modern computers can produce numerous correlations that can be declared as impossible. They also can pronounce numerous 'axioms' of electoral statistics.

Certainly this activity will be continued, see Figures 24–26 below after the bibliography.

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Addendum 1. Regional statistics

Reference to footnote 11.

Below we present the list of regions of Russian Federation ordered according percent of voices for United Russia party (UR). For each region we present

- the total number of electors (the first column, in brackets, millions);
- percent of voices for UR (the second column);
- voting turnout (column 3);
- the percent of voices for UR with respect to the total number of electors (column 4);
- column 5 contains a geographic information (see abbreviations after the table).

We distinguish regions according their status in the Constitution.

- national republics are marked by **bold**;
- ordinary regions (oblasts and krays) by the usual \rm font.
- we also mark 4 autonomous okrugs and a unique autonomous oblast by *italic*, apparently these cases must be considered as an exoticism outside statistics.

1	2	3	4	5+	5-
1. Republic of Chechenia (0,6)	99,5	99,5	99.0	NC, l	
2. Republic of Mordovia (0,7)	91,6	94,2	86.3		For
3. Republic of Daghestan (1,6)	91,4	91.1	83.3	NC, l	
4. Republic of Ingushetia (0,2)	91,0	86,4	78.6	NC, l	
5. Karachaevo-Circassian Rep. (0,3)	89,8	93,2	83.7	NC, l	
6. Republic of Tyva (0,2)	85,3	86,1	73.4		East
7. Rep. of Kabardino-Balkaria (0,5)	81,9	98,4	80.6	NC, l	
8. Republic of Tatarstan (2,9)	77,8	79,5	61.9	l, Pr	
9. <i>Yamal-Nenets autonomous okrug</i> (0,4)	71,7	82,2	58.9	WS	
10. Republic of Bashkortostan (3,0)	70,5	79,3	55.9	l	For
11. <i>Chukotka autonomous okrug</i> (0,03)	70,3	79,1	55.6		East
12. Republic of North Osetia (0,5)	67,9	85,8	58.0	NC	
13. Tambov oblast (0,9)	66,7	68,3	45.6	Pr	
14. Republic of Kalmykia (0,2)	66,1	63,2	41.8	Pr	
15. Saratov oblast (2,0)	64,9	67,3	43.7	Pr	
16. Kemerovo oblast (2,1)	64,2	69,4	44.6	WS	
17. Tyumen oblast (1,0)	62,2	76,2	47.4	WS	
18. Tula oblast (1,3)	61,3	72,8	44.6	Pr	
19. Republic of Adygeya (0,3)	61,0	65,9	40.2	NC, l	
20. Astrakhan oblast (0,8)	60,2	56,0	33.7	Pr	
21. Republic of Komi (0,7)	58,8	72,6	42.7		For
22. Penza oblast (1,1)	56,3	64,9	36.6	Pr	
23. Krasnodar kray (3,8)	56,2	72.6	40.8	Pr	
24. Republic of Altai (0,2)	53,3	63,6	33.9	WS	

25. Republic of Mari (0,5)	52,2	71,3	37.2		For
26. Belgorod oblast (1,2)	51,2	75,5	38.7	Pr	
27. Chelyabinsk oblast (2,8)	50,3	59,7	30.0	(Pr)	
28. Rostov oblast (3,3)	50,2	59,3	29.8	Pr	
29. Bryansk oblast (1,0)	50,1	59,9	30.0	(Pr)	
30. Voronezh oblast (1,9)	50,0	64,3	32.2	Pr	
31. Republic of Yakutia (0,6)	49,2	60,1	29.6		East
32. Stavropol kray (2,0)	49,1	50,9	25.0	Pr	
33. Republic of Buryatia (0,7)	49,0	56,9	27.9		East
34. <i>Jewish autonomous oblast</i> (0,1)	48,1	52,1	25.0		East
35. MOSCOW-city (7,2)	46,6	61,7	28.9		(For)
36. Kursk oblast (0,9)	45,7	54,7	25.9	Pr	
37. Kamchatka kray (0,3)	45,3	53,6	24.3		East
38. Republic of Udmurtia (1,2)	45,1	56,6	25.5		For
39. Nizhny Novgorod oblast (2,7)	44,6	58,9	26.3		For
40. Kurgan oblast (0,8)	44,4	56,5	25.1	WS	
41. Ul'yanovsk oblast (1,1)	43,6	60,4	26.3	Pr	
42. Amur oblast (0,7)	43,5	54,0	23.5		East
43. Republic of Chuvashia (1,0)	43,4	61,7	26.3		For
44. Zabaikal'e kray (0,8)	43,3	53,6	23.2		East
45. Sakhalin oblast (0,4)	41,9	49,1	20.6		East
46. Magadan oblast (0,1)	41,0	52,6	21.6		East
47. Kaluga oblast (0,8)	40,4	57,5	23.2		For
48. Lipetsk oblast (1,0)	40,1	56,9	22.8	Pr	
49. <i>Khanty-Mansi auton. okrug</i> (1,1)	41,0	54,9	22.5	WS	
50. Republic of Khakassia (0,4)	40,1	56,2	22.6		East
51. Ivanovo oblast (0,8)	40,1	53,2	21.3		For
52. Ryazan oblast (1,0)	39,8	52,7	21.0		For
53. Omsk oblast (1,6)	39,6	55,7	22.1	WS	
54. Samara oblast (2,6)	39,4	53,0	20.9	Pr	
55. Orel oblast (0,7)	39,0	64,7	25.2	Pr	
56. Tver oblast (1,1)	38,4	53,5	20.5		For
57. Vladimir oblast (1,3)	38,3	48,9	18.7		For
58. Khabarovsk kray (1,1)	38,1	53,2	20.3		East
59. Tomsk oblast (0,8)	37,5	50,5	18.9	WS	
60. Altai kray (2,0)	37,2	52,5	19.6	WS	
61. Kaliningrad oblast (0,8)	37,1	54,6	20.3		For
62. Pskov oblast (0,6)	36,7	52,9	19.4		For
63. Krasnoyarsk kray (2,2)	36,7	49,7	18.2		East
64. Perm kray (2,1)	36,3	48,1	17.5		For
65. Smolensk oblast (0,8)	36,2	49,6	18.0		For
66. <i>Nenets autonomous okrug</i> (0,0)	36,0	56,1	20.2		T
67. Volgograd oblast (2,0)	35,5	52,0	18.5	Pr	
68. ST.PETERSBURG (city) (3,6)	35,4	55,2	19.5		(For)
69. Kirov oblast (1,1)	34,9	54,0	18.8		For
70. Orenburg oblast (1,6)	34,9	51,2	17.7	Pr	

71. Irkutsk oblast (1,9)	34,9	47,1	16.4		East
72. Novgorod oblast (0,5)	34,6	56,6	19.6		For
73. Novosibirsk oblast (2,1)	33,8	56,8	19.2	WS	
74. Vologda oblast (1,0)	33,4	56,3	18.8		For
75. Leningrad oblast (1,3)	33,0	51,5	17.0		For
76. Primor'e kray (1,5)	33,0	48,7	16.1		East
77. Moscow oblast (5,6)	32,8	51,0	16.7		For
78. Sverdlovsk oblast (3,5)	32,7	51,2	16.7		For
79. Republic of Karelia (0,6)	32,3	50,3	16.2		For
80. Murmansk oblast (0,7)	32,0	51,8	16.6		For, T
81. Archangelsk oblast (1,0)	31,9	50,0	16.0		For
82. Kostroma oblast (0,6)	30,7	57,3	17.6		For
83. Yaroslavl oblast (1,1)	29,0	55,9	16.2		For

We see that voting in 'republics' and ordinary regions was strongly different, but 'republics' also are different. We observe impressive 12 top-lines of the table (recall that autonomous *okrugs* were omitted from the considerations).

We split the table on 3 parts, lines 1–12, 13–23, 24–83 respectively. The first and the second groups are distinguished due a jump in the 4th column of the table 61.9%–(58.9%)–58.0%–(55.9%)–55.6% in the leading group and 45.6% (Tambov), 47.6% (Tyumen).

The boundary between the second and the third group is not precise. Here there is a jump 56.2%–53.3% in the second column (but attributions of Astrakhan, Mari, and Belgorod can be regarded as problematic).

The last group 24–83 is a dense.

Abbreviations in Column 5.

NC — North Caucasus;

l — a republic with Islamic title nation;

Pr — a region in European prairies or forest-steppe (the south of European part of Russia);

For — a region in European forest zone (the north of European part of Russia);

T — a region in European tundra (Arctic prairie);

WS — West Siberia;

East — East Siberia and Far East (Pacific).

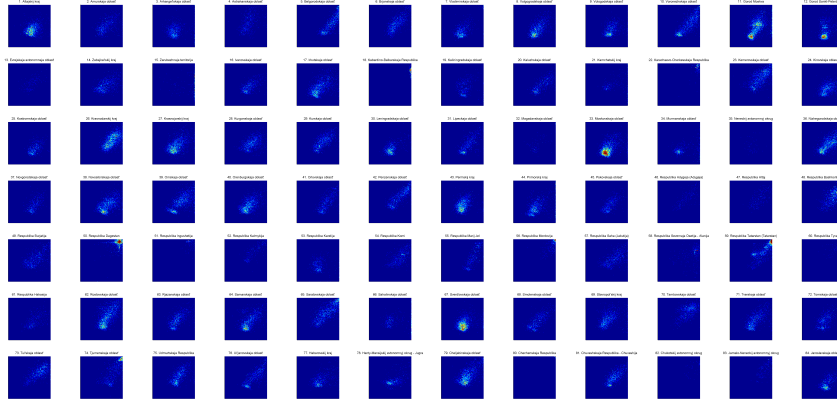


Рис. 22: (Kobak, <http://kobak.610.ru/lj/elections10big.png>) ER-clouds for all regions of Russian Federation. Figures are observable after zoom.

Addendum 2. Voting stations with given results of United Russia.

Reference to footnote 10.

Figure 22 presents UR-cloud diagrams for all regions of Russia. For ordinary regions pictures looks as comets, sometimes ellipses or circles. Moscow-city discussed above is slightly unusual (oval with waist). Separately, we present cloud diagrams for the exceptional regions. It seems that they are very individual and very strange. It seems that elements of real elections in the Republics of Bashkortostan, Tatarstan, and North Osetia are visible on these Figures.

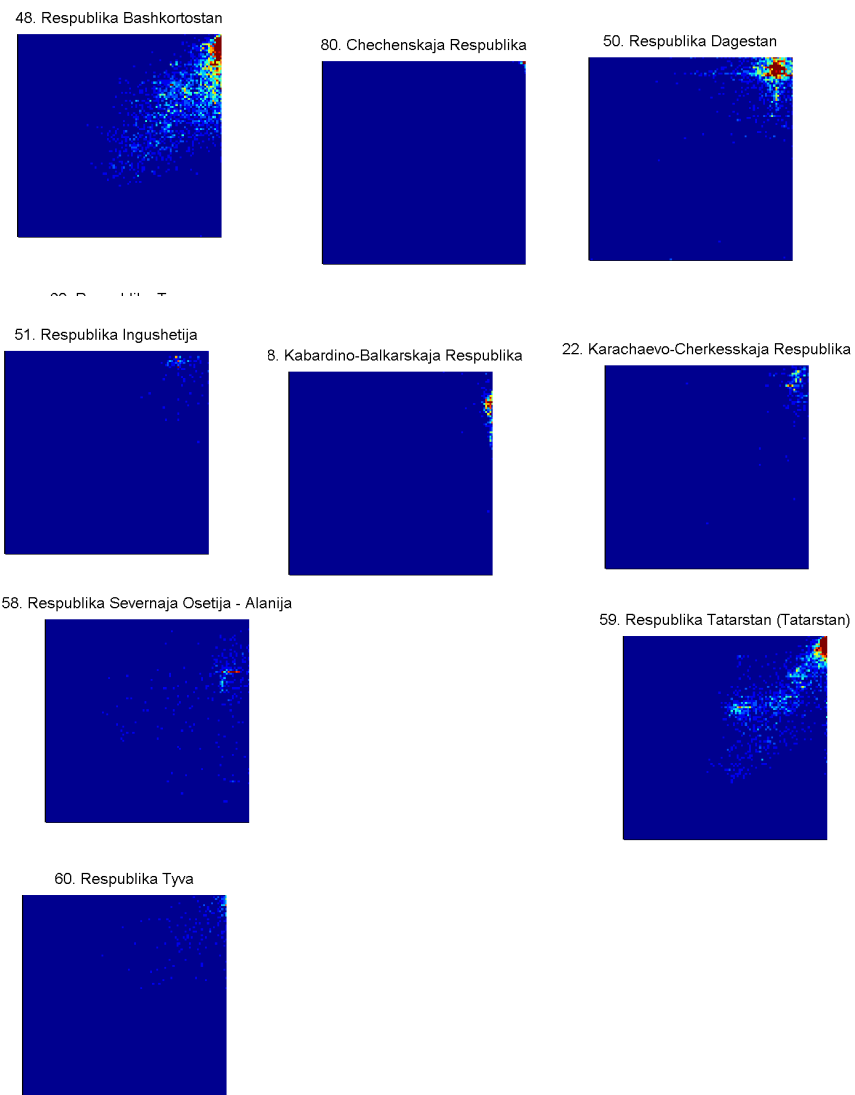


Рис. 23: UR-clouds in the exceptional regions



Рис. 24: Meeting in Moscow 10.12.2011. The graph on the banner is a version of Figure 1. The text is 'We do not trust Churov, we trust Gauss'. Churov is the chairman of the Central Electoral Commission.



Рис. 25: Meeting in Sankt-Peterburg, 10.12.2011. The text on the poster is 'For normal distribution!'.
The image shows a protest in Saint-Petersburg, Russia, on December 10, 2011. A large crowd of people is gathered on a city street. In the foreground, a man holds a large white banner with intricate graffiti. The graffiti includes the number '1' with a crown above it, and the Russian words 'Нормальное Распределение' (Normal Distribution) written in a stylized, calligraphic font. To the left, another banner is visible with the text 'СВОБОДА РАВЕНСТВО УЛЯЧКА' (Freedom, Equality, Ulyanchka). The background shows a multi-story building and a street with utility poles under an overcast sky.

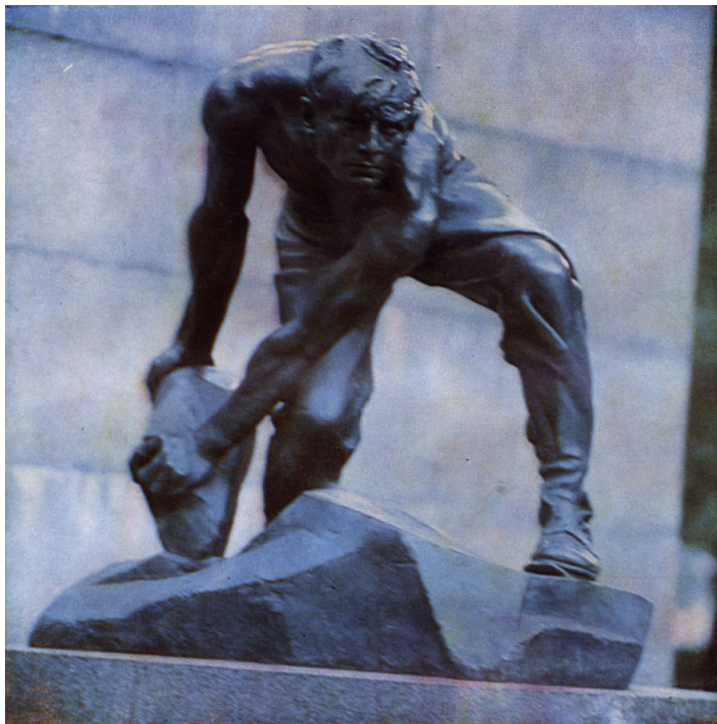


Рис. 26: Reference to footnote 2 (page 1). This is the famous sculpture of Ivan Shadr (1927) "Cobblestone is a weapon of proletariat".