

Figure 3.4 Recovering the Legislators

With Higher Error

Legislators	Roll Calls				
	1	2	3	4	5
One	Y	Y	<u>N</u>	Y	Y
Two	N	Y	Y	Y	Y
Three	N	N	Y	Y	Y
Four	N	N	N	Y	Y
Five	N	N	N	N	Y
Six	N	N	N	N	N

Agreement Scores						First Eigenvector
1.0						$X_1 = -.44512$
.6	1.0					$X_2 = -.48973$
.4	.8	1.0				$X_3 = -.11093$
.6	.6	.8	1.0			$X_4 = .04431$
.4	.4	.6	.8	1.0		$X_5 = .34859$
.2	.2	.4	.6	.8	1.0	$X_6 = .65288$

Figure 3.5 The Janice Algorithm: Roll Calls

Legislators $X_2 < X_1 < X_3 < X_4 < X_5 < X_6$

Predicted Patterns of All Possible Rank Positions For a
Roll Call Cutting point Given the Legislator Ordering Above
(Yea on the Left, Nay on the Right)

							Number of Errors				
							On Roll Calls				
							1	2	3	4	5
$Z_j < X_2$	N	N	N	N	N	N	1	2	2	4	5
$X_2 < Z_j < X_1$	Y	N	N	N	N	N	2	1	1	3	4
$X_1 < Z_j < X_3$	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	2	2	3
$X_3 < Z_j < X_4$	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N	2	1	<u>1</u>	1	2
$X_4 < Z_j < X_5$	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	N	3	2	2	<u>0</u>	1
$X_5 < Z_j < X_6$	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	4	3	3	1	<u>0</u>
$X_6 < Z_j$	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	5	4	4	2	1

(Nay on the Left, Yea on the Right)

$Z_j < X_2$	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	5	4	4	2	1
$X_2 < Z_j < X_1$	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	4	5	5	3	2
$X_1 < Z_j < X_3$	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	5	6	4	4	3
$X_3 < Z_j < X_4$	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	4	5	5	5	4
$X_4 < Z_j < X_5$	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	3	4	4	6	5
$X_5 < Z_j < X_6$	N	N	N	N	N	Y	2	3	3	5	6
$X_6 < Z_j$	N	N	N	N	N	N	1	2	2	4	5

Figure 3.6 The Janice Algorithm: Legislators

Roll Calls $Z_1 = Z_2 < Z_3 < Z_4 < Z_5$

Predicted Patterns of All Possible Rank Positions for a
Legislator Given the Cutting Point Ordering Above

(Roll Call Polarity From Table 3.5)

	Number of Errors On Legislators										
	1 2 3 4 5 6										
	1	2	3	4	5	6					
$X_i < Z_1$	L	L	L	L	L	<u>1</u>	1	2	3	4	5
$Z_1 = X_i = Z_2$	R	L	L	L	L	2	<u>0</u>	1	2	3	4
$Z_2 < X_i < Z_3$	R	R	L	L	L	3	1	<u>0</u>	1	2	3
$Z_3 < X_i < Z_4$	R	R	R	L	L	2	2	1	<u>0</u>	1	2
$Z_4 < X_i < Z_5$	R	R	R	R	L	3	3	2	1	<u>0</u>	1
$Z_5 < X_i$	R	R	R	R	R	4	4	3	2	1	<u>0</u>

The application of the Janice algorithm shown in Figure 3.6 produces the following joint ordering of legislators and cutting points:

$$X_1 < Z_1 = Z_2 = X_2 < X_3 < Z_3 < X_4 < Z_4 < X_5 < Z_5 < X_6$$

This joint ordering produces only one classification error – legislator One is predicted to vote Yea (L) on roll call 3 and she actually votes Nay (R).

Figure 3.7 The Janice Algorithm: Second

Iteration For Roll Calls

Legislators $X_1 < X_2 < X_3 < X_4 < X_5 < X_6$

Predicted Patterns of All Possible Rank Positions for a
Roll Call Cutting Point Given the Legislator Ordering Above
(Yea on the Left, Nay on the Right)

							Number of Errors On Roll Calls				
							1	2	3	4	5
							1	2	3	4	5
$Z_j < X_1$	N	N	N	N	N	N	1	2	2	4	5
$X_1 < Z_j < X_2$	Y	N	N	N	N	N	<u>0</u>	1	3	3	4
$X_2 < Z_j < X_3$	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	1	<u>0</u>	2	2	3
$X_3 < Z_j < X_4$	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N	2	1	<u>1</u>	1	2
$X_4 < Z_j < X_5$	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	N	3	2	2	<u>0</u>	1
$X_5 < Z_j < X_6$	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	4	3	3	1	<u>0</u>
$X_6 < Z_j$	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	5	4	4	2	1

(Nay on the Left, Yea on the Right)

$Z_j < X_1$	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	5	4	4	2	1
$X_1 < Z_j < X_2$	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	6	5	3	3	2
$X_2 < Z_j < X_3$	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	5	6	4	4	3
$X_3 < Z_j < X_4$	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	4	5	5	5	4
$X_4 < Z_j < X_5$	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	3	4	4	6	5
$X_5 < Z_j < X_6$	N	N	N	N	N	Y	2	3	3	5	6
$X_6 < Z_j$	N	N	N	N	N	N	1	2	2	4	5

The joint rank order produced by Figure 3.7 is:

$$X_1 < Z_1 < X_2 < Z_2 < X_3 < Z_3 < X_4 < Z_4 < X_5 < Z_5 < X_6$$

This joint ordering produces only one classification error – legislator One is predicted to vote Yea on roll call 3 and she actually votes Nay.

The one-dimensional Optimal Classification method (*The Edith Algorithm*) is:

- 1) Generate starting estimate of the legislator rank ordering
- 2) Holding the legislator rank ordering fixed, use the Janice algorithm to find the optimal cutting point ordering
- 3) Holding the cutting point ordering fixed, use the Janice algorithm to find the optimal legislator ordering
- 4) Go to (2)

In the example above,

$$\text{Step (1)} \quad X_2 < X_1 < X_3 < X_4 < X_5 < X_6$$

$$\text{Step (2a)} \quad Z_1 = Z_2 < Z_3 < Z_4 < Z_5$$

$$\text{Step (3a)} \quad X_1 < X_2 < X_3 < X_4 < X_5 < X_6$$

$$\text{Step (2b)} \quad Z_1 < Z_2 < Z_3 < Z_4 < Z_5$$

$$\text{Step (3b)} \quad X_1 < X_2 < X_3 < X_4 < X_5 < X_6$$

$$\text{Step (2c)} \quad Z_1 < Z_2 < Z_3 < Z_4 < Z_5$$

etc.

The Edith algorithm always converges to a solution in which the two rank orderings reproduce each other. This joint rank ordering of cutting points and legislators is a very strong form of *conditional global maximum*.