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INTRODUCTION

The digital divide is the concept that explains the gap in technological access between the global north and south. Much of the research regarding the digital divide focuses on the development of technologies in sub-Saharan African nations. With the context of armed conflict driving development in sub-Saharan Africa, this project seeks to answer whether access to technology impacts the demand for democracy.

HYPOTHESIS

H1: more technological access will warrant more demand for democracy.

H0: more technological access will not warrant more demand for democracy.

METHODOLOGY

Case study: Burundi

DATA

Afrobarometer Public Opinion:
demand for democracy

World Bank:
Good governance indicators

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EXPECTED FINDINGS

More technology grants more access to media, which in turn will cause the demand for democracy in sub-Saharan governments to rise.

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