Instructions

1) Who am I?

I'm Kat, a first-year Economics PhD student in the School of Aquatic and Fisheries Sciences at the University of Washington. I just came to Seattle from Santa Barbara, CA where I earned a Master Degree from the Bren School of Environmental Science & Management at the University of California Santa Barbara. Before I came to Bren, I worked a few different jobs, mostly in ocean science/conservation. Prior to working, I completed my Bachelor's of Science in Biology in the College of Agriculture & Life Sciences at Cornell University in New York.

2) What do I study?

My economic interests lie in the incentive structures that motivate the (in)actions we take in coastal communities and the seafood industry. I am particularly interested in the ability to shift these incentives by creating dynamic digital networks among coastal/seafood stakeholders. My research focuses on a business idea I have been pursuing for a few years which focuses on leveraging these networks to generate instantaneous economies of scale, and thus enable transactions to take place that otherwise would be impossible.

Keywords

- economics
- instantaneous economies of scale
- incentive structures
- networks
- coastal communities

3) What do I want from this course?

- 1. greater fluency in using R, especially in terms of efficient code-writing
- 2. comfort with for loops and other forms of iteration
- 3. knowledge of useful packages specific to my field of study (economics and oceans/fisheries)

4) Plot air quality data

Here's a peak at the data.

```
## inspect the `airquality` data set
str(airquality)

## 'data.frame': 153 obs. of 6 variables:
## $ Ozone : int 41 36 12 18 NA 28 23 19 8 NA ...
```

New York Ozone vs. Temperature, May-Sept. 1973

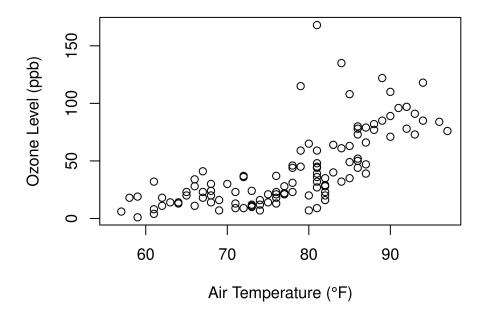


Figure 1: Note: The data were obtained from the New York State Department of Conservation (ozone data) and the National Weather Service (meteorological data).

```
## $ Solar.R: int 190 118 149 313 NA NA 299 99 19 194 ...
## $ Wind : num 7.4 8 12.6 11.5 14.3 14.9 8.6 13.8 20.1 8.6 ...
## $ Temp : int 67 72 74 62 56 66 65 59 61 69 ...
## $ Month : int 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 ...
## $ Day : int 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 ...
```

5) Say it with an equation

```
model <- lm(airquality$0zone~airquality$Temp + airquality$Month)
sum_model <- summary(model)
sum_model$coefficients[2]</pre>
```

```
## [1] 2.659471
```

It is possible to predict New York's Ozone Levels using a linear model based on the Temperature and Month at which an observation was made. The predictions that result from this model are not particularly accurate as the model depicted below yields an R^2 value of 0.508.

```
Oz = 2.66T - 3.52M - 139.61
```

Note that above Oz is the ozone level, T is the air temperature, and M is the month of the observation.