# PA 446

Coding for Civic Data Applications

Class will start at 6:05pm Central

# Class #2

Logistics

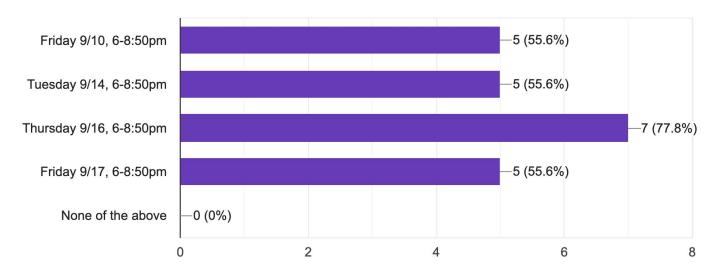
## **Course Logistics**

- HW1, due at 6pm today (a few minutes ago)
  - If you forgot, please submit now this is the only time you are allowed to submit late
- Accessing course content: make sure you are using your uic.edu Google account
  - 2 individuals has notified me that Google isn't recognizing their accounts - we will need to work with UIC IT to sort this out. Please let me know if you are having similar issues
  - Email is fine

# Poll Results (NOT FINAL)

Please select the date/time that works for you:

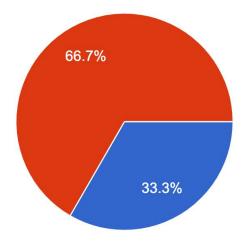
9 responses



# Poll Results (NOT FINAL)

In October, would you prefer (select 1 below, please note, instructor will make the final decision based on student preference and COVID rates):

9 responses



- In-person classes, without the ability to attend class online
- Online classes, without the ability to attend class in-person

#### **Poll Results**

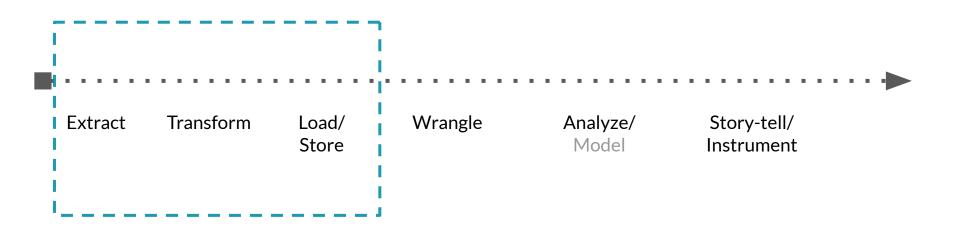
- Some permission issues linger
- Final results for 9/15 class will be emailed
- In-person vs online will be settle by end of Sept

# Class #2

## The HW

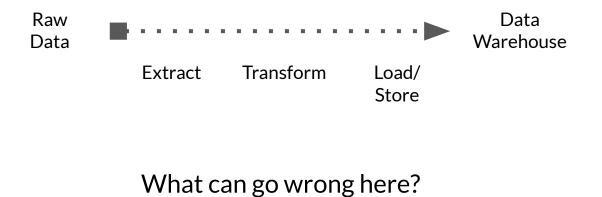
- Reactions
- Will be graded by next Wednesday

## Data Science "workflow"



Focus last week

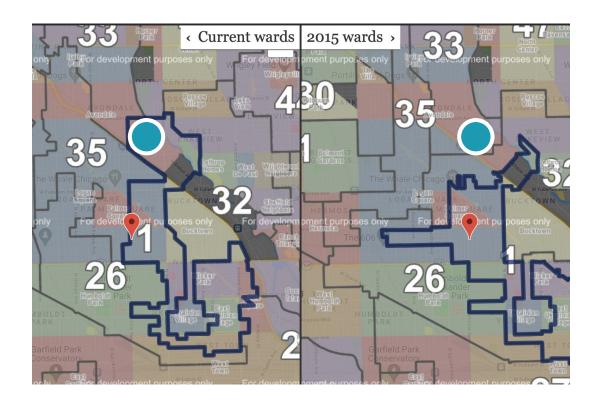
# **Data Engineering**



# **Last Week**

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08/22/2021 9:14:41 AM	Streets and Sanitation	402 S KOLMAR AVE	Open	10	41.699	-87.545
08/22/2021 9:14:01 AM	311 City Services	2111 W Lexington ST	Open	1	41.914	-87.690
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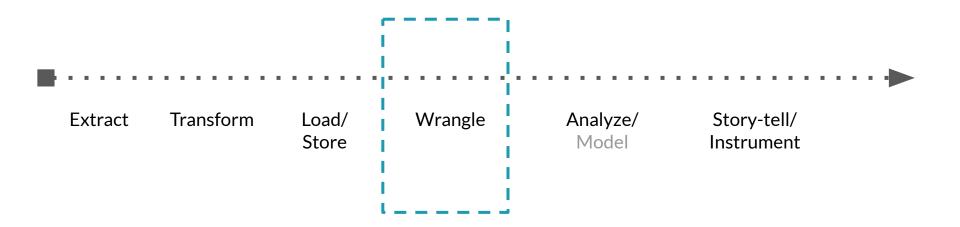
# **Business Rules Changed**



# **Data Engineering Follow Up**

	Data Warehouse	Data Lake (very vague term)	
Data Structure	Processed	Raw	
Purpose of Data	Currently In Use	Not Yet Determined	
Users	Business Professionals	Data Scientists	
Flexibility	Low	High	
Storage Need	Low(er)	High(er)	

## Data Science "workflow"



Focus of today and the next few weeks

### From HW 1

```
# A tibble: 6 x 7
          `Job Titles`
                                 Department `Full or Part-T... `Salary or Hour... `Hourly Salary`
  Name
  <chr> <chr>
                                  <chr>
                                              <chr>
                                                               <chr>
                                                                                 <chr>
1 AARON, ... SERGEANT
                                  POLICE
                                                               Salary
2 AARON, ... POLICE OFFICER (ASS... POLICE
                                                               Salary
3 AARON, ... CHIEF CONTRACT EXPE... DAIS
                                                               Salary
4 ABAD JR,... CIVIL ENGINEER IV
                                                               Salary
                                 WATER MGMNT F
5 ABARCA, ... CONCRETE LABORER
                                 TRANSPORTN
                                                               Hourly
                                                                                 $44.40
6 ABARCA, ... POLICE OFFICER
                                 POLICE
                                                               Salary
# ... with 1 more variable: Yearly Salary <chr>
```

# **But Before We Start...**

# What Exactly Are Our Goals?

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"One of the mayor of Chicago's priority this year is equity in pay for city employees, especially in some of the city's largest departments."

# **Clarify Objective**

What is the measurable metric of success?

What is the time frame?

What are potential restrictions or limitations?

#### **>** Example questions

Which column of the data are we most interested in?

Do we only care about this year or prior years?

What kind of data do we even have access to?

# Strengthens Your Understanding of the Company

Business model (less relevant)

#### Products and services

Geographic location (less relevant)

#### **>** Company Information

What are Chicago's largest departments?

Which departments might have higher salaries based on what they do?

#### **Definition of an Unfamiliar Term**

When defining goals, you can't afford to misunderstand or misinterpret terminologies used. Confirm your understanding aligns with the stakeholders'

#### > Clarify Unfamiliar Term

What terminology should you clarify?

# What Are Some of Our Goals?

- 1
- 2.
- 3.
- 4

# Data Wrangling

# 1. Before You Start Wrangling

What are you considerations?

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.

# 1. Before You Start Wrangling

1. Data size

2. Just look at your data

## 1. Before You Start Wrangling

"Data Skimming"

- 1. Data size
  - a. Do you have enough data?
  - b. What is the best way to browse this data

- Just look at your data
  - a. Building familiarity with the data

What Does "Basic Descriptions" Mean to You?

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.

1. Really just means check data types

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  - a. Which columns do you need to wrangle
  - b. How to get more details about each column

Reminders

- 1. Calling individual columns
- 2. Tibble vs dataframe

# 10-min break

Be back by 7:10pm Central

But ... what is exactly is "Missing Data"?

- 1. Value is missing
- 2. Indeterminacy (neither true of false)

- 1. Value is missing: NULL
- 2. Indeterminacy (neither true of false): NA

Not as oft

1. Value is missing: NULL

2. Indeterminacy (neither true of false): NA

Used a lot on the internet, especially in the context of SQL

Not as often in R, especially not in the context of dataframes and vectors



What happens when you try to insert NULL's into a dataframe?

What happens when you try to count NULL's?

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So for any vector (matrix or array), NA represents a missing value. NULL does not

Most commonly used in R dataframes

- 1. Value is missing: NULL
- 2. Indeterminacy (neither true of false): NA

Beyond missing values and indeterminacy, what else can missing mean?

- 1
- 2
- 3.
- 4.

What data do we need?

1.

2.

3.

4.

What do we already have?

1.

2

3.

4.

1. Missing "metadata" and documentation

2. Missing columns

- 1. Missing "metadata" and documentation
  - a. What a column means
  - b. How was a column calculated

- 2. Missing columns
  - a. Is there any data that we need that appear to be missing?

But ... what is exactly is "Shape of Your Data"?

- 1.
- 2
- 3.
- 4.

- 1. Max/min
- 2. Mean/Median

We will cover distribution plots at a later class

## **Skipped Steps**

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- Identify Significant Correlations
  - Requires a specific and cleaned data type
  - More useful in modeling context
- Spot Outliers in the Dataset
  - Redundant to shape of your data

## In Summary

### Wrangling Steps Review

#### **Takeaways**

- 1. Clarifying Goals
- 2. "Data skimming": count of rows and columns + just looking at the data
- 3. Check data types
- 4. Check for missing data
- 5. Check the shape of your data