## Linear Regression Models P8111

Lecture 02

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# Today's Lecture

■ dplyr

# Data organization and manipulation

- You're going to spend a lot of time doing this
- Being better will make your life easier and happier

#### Data frames

- Most common way of storing dataset in R
- 2D array consisting of named vectors
- Can include variables of many types (numeric, logical, factor, string)
- Used consistently, data frames make analysis easier

#### Data frames

```
data = data.frame(
   seq = 1:10,
   let = letters[1:10],
   bool = 1:10 < 5
)</pre>
```

### Data frames: exploration

```
> dim(data)
[1] 10 3
> head(data)
Source: local data frame [6 x 3]
   seq
        let
              bool
  (int) (fctr) (lql)
            a TRUE
            b TRUE
            c TRUE
            d TRUE
5
       e FALSE
6
            f FALSE
```

### Data frames: exploration

```
> summary(data)
                  let
                          bool
    seq
Min. : 1.00 a
                :1 Mode :logical
1st Ou.: 3.25
                    :1 FALSE:6
Median: 5.50
               :1 TRUE :4
Mean : 5.50
               :1 NA's :0
              d
3rd Qu.: 7.75
              е
               :1
Max. :10.00
           f :1
              (Other):4
```

## Data frames: exploration

data\$seq
summary(data\$seq)

### tbl\_df: an upgrade to data frames

> data = tbl\_df(data)

```
> data
Source: local data frame [10 x 3]
    seq let bool
   (int) (fctr) (lgl)
           a TRUE
          b TRUE
            c TRUE
4
           d TRUE
5
      5
           e FALSE
6
      6
           f FALSE
             g FALSE
8
             h FALSE
9
             i FALSE
10
     10
            j FALSE
```

## tbl\_df: an upgrade to data frames

> glimpse(data)
Observations: 10

```
Variables: 3
$ seq (int) 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10
$ let (fctr) a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, i, j
$ bool (lgl) TRUE, TRUE, TRUE, TRUE, FALSE, FALSE
```

#### dplyr

- dplyr is a new(ish) package for the management and manipulation of data frames built by Hadley Wickham and Romain Francois
- The package contains several functions focused on the most common tasks – these functions each do one thing, and do it extremely well
- Functions are designed in a uniformly sensible way: the first argument is a dataframe, and the output is a dataframe

#### dplyr

- Think of dplyr's functions as verbs: they're actions you want to take on the data
- Arguments to functions clarify the action to take
- Verbs include filter(), arrange(), select(),
  rename(), mutate(), summarize(), sample\_n()
- You should absolutely become fluent in these actions

### dplyr: Two Other Things

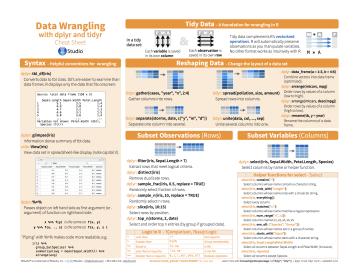
- Grouping (group\_by()) can make some tasks infinitely easier
- The pipe operator (%>%) will change your life

Live coding

# Some final thoughts

- You don't know how good you have it
- You can (and should) limit the amount of subsets you save to your workspace
- Many R functions (like lm) have data and subset options, allowing you to pass datasets and trim, or to have these as the last step in a pipe

#### **Cheat Sheet**



# Today's big ideas

- Intro to dplyr
- Intro to coding

- Introduction to dplyr (on CRAN)
- Data Wrangling Cheat Sheet
- swirl (Getting and Cleaning Data)
- STAT 545 "Basic care and feeding... ", "dplyr: ..."
- Exploratory Data Analysis with R (Managing Data)
- R Programming for Data Science (Ch 13)