Introduction to R

Session 8 exercises

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1 Linear regression

- (i) Perform a linear regression between age (explanatory variable) and nerdy score (dependent variable).
- (ii) Are the estimated intercept and slope significantly different from zero?
- (iii) Examine the residuals of the fitted linear model.
- (iv) Add the fitted line to the scatterplot of nerdy score against age.
- (v) What conclusions can you draw? Do you think age and nerdy score are linearly correlated?

2 Logistic Regression

2.1 Continuous explanatory variable

- (i) Suppose we want to model the probability of being male, i.e., gender = Male. First, ensure that gender is a variable with a correct type.
- (ii) Fit a logistic model with gender as the response variable and nerdy.sc as the explanatory variable.
- (iii) Perform an analysis of deviance to determine the overall significance of nerdy.sc.
- (iv) Calculate the estimated slope of the logistic regression. What can you conclude about the slope?

2.2 Categorical explanatory variable

- (i) We now want to model the probability of living with a partner given age group. partner is already of type factor. Now, generate a one-way table of partner to examine its contents.
- (ii) Set partner = Yes as the reference level.
- (iii) Once again geenerate the one-way frequency table of partner.
- (iv) Fit a logistic model with partner as the response variable and age.group as the explanatory variable.

- (v) Is age.group a significant predictor of whether or not an individual in particular age group has a partner?
- (vi) Generate a two-way frequency table of partner against age.group.
- (vii) Convert these frequencies to percentages of age group total. Does this table agree with your earlier conclusion?