

Applying lm()

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Now, we fit the following model to the data.

$$l_{ij} = \alpha_i + \beta w_{ij} + \epsilon_{ij}$$

Above model assess the effect of variables lab and weight on length. Note the absence of intercept term in the model. Now, we fit this model to our data using `lm()` function in R. α_i 's correspond to the variable 'lab' in the dataset. β corresponds to the variable 'weight'. Intercept term is absent in the model. Hence, we write the following code in R.

```
> fit=lm(length ~ lab+weight-1,data=alllab)
```

Note the presence of -1 inside the `lm` function due to absence of intercept term in the model. Now we look at the estimates of coefficients. We type `fit` in R. Output is as follows:

```
> fit
```

Call:

```
lm(formula = length ~ lab + weight - 1, data = alllab)
```

Coefficients:

```
lab1    lab2  weight
3.276    5.173    2.013
```

The estimates are $\hat{\alpha}_1 = 3.276$, $\hat{\alpha}_2 = 5.173$, $\hat{\beta} = 2.013$

We now look at the design matrix which is used to fit this model. We know that in the data, first 6 observations come from lab 1 and last 5 observations from lab 2. We are estimating the coefficients $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \beta$. Hence the design matrix looks like

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & w_{11} \\ 1 & 0 & w_{12} \\ 1 & 0 & w_{13} \\ 1 & 0 & w_{14} \\ 1 & 0 & w_{15} \\ 1 & 0 & w_{16} \\ 0 & 1 & w_{21} \\ 0 & 1 & w_{22} \\ 0 & 1 & w_{23} \\ 0 & 1 & w_{24} \\ 0 & 1 & w_{25} \end{bmatrix}$$

Now, we look at the design matrix used by R to fit the model 'fit' to the data using `model.matrix()` function.

```
> model.matrix(fit)
      lab1 lab2 weight
1        1    0   1.0
2        1    0   1.5
3        1    0   2.0
4        1    0   2.5
5        1    0   3.0
6        1    0   3.5
7         0    1   1.2
8         0    1   1.5
9         0    1   1.8
10        0    1   2.1
11        0    1   2.1
attr(,"assign")
[1] 1 1 2
attr(,"contrasts")
attr(,"contrasts")$lab
[1] "contr.treatment"
```

The design matrix used by R for fitting the model is exactly same as expected design matrix.