# Lab2 Tutorial: Linear Regression

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#### Introduction

In this lab, we will get data and do a few few linear regressions using various datasets.

Another thing that you'll see in today's lab is how to merge two different data sets together. This is an extraordinarily valuable skill. Rarely will all of your data be in one dataset. I find that this is more so for geographers than for other disciplines.

There are two common ways to do a linear regression in R, depending on whether you just want the intercept and slope, or whether you want to plot it. The command to run a regression and get the intercept and slope is lm. The command to show a line in ggplot is geom\_smooth(method='lm'). Before we get to doing regressions, we need to look into R packages including ggplot2 with special funtions that make life easier.

#### R. libraries

There must be tens of thousands of different functions in R now, covering over a hundred different fields. More than you could possibly ever use. To keep all this straight, there is "base" R, and then over a thousand different add-on packages. Most people will only ever use a few.

The package we will use the most is called ggplot2. Another package that we will use in this lab is called lme4.

To load packages, use the library function.

Below is an example of a code "chunk" in Rmarkdown. Try executing this chunk by either (1) clicking the Run button within the chunk (little green arrow on the right), (2) Selecting Run on the top menu, or (3) by placing your cursor inside the chunk and pressing Cmd+Shift+Enter.

```
library(ggplot2)
```

```
## Warning: package 'ggplot2' was built under R version 3.3.2
```

On a classroom comupter this should work because the packages are already installed. If you're on your personal computer, chances are high that you get the message, Error in library(ggplot2): there is no package called 'ggplot2'.

This means that the package ggplot2 is not in your computer's library. You may have to install it first. This is how to install it and lme4.

```
install.packages('lme4')
install.packages('ggplot2')
```

However, on a university computer, you likely will not have permission to install packages. Everything we need for this course should be already installed for you. After they are installed, you can go back and load the libraries with the command:

```
library(lme4)
```

```
## Loading required package: Matrix
```

```
## Warning: package 'Matrix' was built under R version 3.3.2
library(ggplot2)
library(dplyr)

## Warning: package 'dplyr' was built under R version 3.3.2

##
## Attaching package: 'dplyr'

## The following objects are masked from 'package:stats':

##
## filter, lag

## The following objects are masked from 'package:base':

##
## intersect, setdiff, setequal, union
```

You only need to install a package once. But everytime you fire up R, you will have to use the library command to load the package into R so that you can use it. Think of R as a desk in your bedroom where you do your studying. Before you can study, you will need to go to your library and get the books you need (you have your own library at home, right?). And if the library doesn't have the books, then you will have to ask the library to go out and get the books (with install.packages).

Please note, while you can run R without internet access, you will need to be online when you run install.packages. \*\*Pro Tip:\*\* If you are taking a plane trip and expect to get work done, then always make sure that you have installed the packages you will need before you take off.

## Getting the data

Data are usually obtained from a file that someone gives you, or that you make yourself, or that you download from the web. Some data come installed with base R and others come as example datasets with particular packages. Download the Sparrows.txt file from Canvas and put it in a single folder containing your R Project and Rmd file (if can be in a subfolder within that folder such as Data/Sparrows.txt). Use the following code to read in the text file and look at the file structure. You can also click it in your "Environment" to the right in to open it with the RStudio Viewer.

```
sparrows <- read.table("Data/Sparrows.txt", sep = "", header = TRUE, stringsAsFactors = FALSE)
str(sparrows)</pre>
```

```
'data.frame':
                    1281 obs. of 12 variables:
##
   $ Speciescode: int
                       1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 ...
   $ Sex
                       0 0 0 0 0 0 5 0 0 5 ...
##
                 : int
##
   $ SexNew
                       1 1 1 1 1 1 6 1 1 6 ...
                 : int
                       59 55 53.5 55 52.5 57.5 53 55 55.5 ...
   $ wingcrd
                 : num
##
   $ flatwing
                 : num
                       60 56 54.5 56 53.5 59 54 56 56 56.5 ...
                       22.3 19.7 20.8 20.3 20.8 21.5 20.6 21.5 20.8 20.5 ...
##
   $ tarsus
                 : num
##
                       31.2 30.4 30.6 30.3 30.3 30.8 32.5 31.2 31.6 31.4 ...
   $ head
                 : num
##
   $ culmen
                       12.3 12.1 12.8 11.9 12.6 12 13.5 12.3 13.2 13.2 ...
                 : num
                       13 8.3 8.6 8.7 8.8 8.1 10.7 8.7 9.1 10.5 ...
##
   $ nalospi
                 : num
   $ wt
##
                       9.5 13.8 14.8 15.2 15.5 15.6 15.6 15.7 15.7 15.7 ...
                 : num
##
   $ observer
                       2873323526 ...
##
   $ Age
                       2 2 2 1 1 2 1 1 1 1 ...
                 : int
```

Let's also look at the first 10 rows of data

```
head(sparrows, 10)
```

```
##
      Speciescode Sex SexNew wingcrd flatwing tarsus head culmen nalospi
                                                                                9.5
## 1
                      0
                                   59.0
                                             60.0
                                                     22.3 31.2
                 1
                             1
                                                                  12.3
                                                                           13.0
## 2
                 1
                      0
                             1
                                   55.0
                                             56.0
                                                     19.7 30.4
                                                                  12.1
                                                                            8.3 13.8
                                   53.5
## 3
                      0
                                             54.5
                                                     20.8 30.6
                                                                  12.8
                                                                            8.6 14.8
                 1
                             1
## 4
                 1
                      0
                             1
                                   55.0
                                             56.0
                                                     20.3 30.3
                                                                  11.9
                                                                            8.7 15.2
## 5
                      0
                                             53.5
                 1
                                   52.5
                                                     20.8 30.3
                                                                  12.6
                                                                            8.8 15.5
                             1
                      0
                                             59.0
                                                     21.5 30.8
## 6
                 1
                             1
                                   57.5
                                                                  12.0
                                                                            8.1 15.6
## 7
                 1
                      5
                             6
                                   53.0
                                             54.0
                                                     20.6 32.5
                                                                  13.5
                                                                           10.7 15.6
## 8
                 1
                      0
                             1
                                   55.0
                                             56.0
                                                     21.5 31.2
                                                                  12.3
                                                                            8.7 15.7
## 9
                      0
                 1
                             1
                                   55.0
                                             56.0
                                                     20.8 31.6
                                                                  13.2
                                                                            9.1 15.7
## 10
                 1
                      5
                             6
                                   55.5
                                             56.5
                                                     20.5 31.4
                                                                  13.2
                                                                           10.5 15.7
##
      observer Age
## 1
              2
                  2
## 2
                  2
              8
## 3
              7
                  2
## 4
              3
                  1
## 5
              3
                  1
## 6
              2
                  2
## 7
              3
                  1
## 8
              5
                  1
## 9
              2
                  1
## 10
              6
                  1
```

# sparrows[1:10, ] # also prints the first 10 rows and each column

Or we can just look at the fist 12 rows of only the sex, wingerd, and wt columns.

```
sparrows[1:12, c("Sex", "wingcrd", "wt")]
```

```
##
      Sex wingcrd
                     wt
## 1
              59.0 9.5
        0
## 2
        0
              55.0 13.8
## 3
        0
              53.5 14.8
## 4
        0
              55.0 15.2
## 5
        0
              52.5 15.5
## 6
              57.5 15.6
        0
## 7
        5
              53.0 15.6
## 8
        0
              55.0 15.7
## 9
        0
              55.0 15.7
## 10
        5
              55.5 15.7
## 11
        0
              57.0 15.8
## 12
        0
              55.0 15.8
```

or all rows of just the wingerd using the \$ to call that column

#### sparrows\$wingcrd

```
##
      [1] 59.0 55.0 53.5 55.0 52.5 57.5 53.0 55.0 55.0 55.5 57.0 55.0 54.5
##
     [14] 53.0 54.0 56.5 55.5 55.5 55.5 53.5 56.5 57.0 56.5 56.5 54.0 56.0
##
     [27] 51.5 54.5 54.5 53.0 58.0 57.0 57.0 56.5 57.0 57.0 53.0 52.5 56.5
##
     [40] 56.5 55.5 56.0 54.0 55.0 55.0 57.0 56.0 56.5 55.0 56.5 54.5 58.5
##
     [53] 55.0 54.5 56.0 57.0 54.5 55.0 54.5 54.5 54.0 55.0 55.0 56.0 54.0
     [66] 55.0 54.0 56.0 56.5 54.5 57.0 51.5 55.0 55.0 55.0 55.0 54.0 54.0
##
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     [79] 57.5 57.5 58.0 54.0 58.0 58.0 56.0 55.0 56.5 54.0 55.0 53.0 58.5
##
     [92] 56.0 56.5 55.0 54.0 55.5 56.0 54.0 54.0 55.0 54.0 56.0 54.0 57.0
##
    [105] 54.0 54.5 57.0 57.5 55.0 54.0 56.5 57.0 54.0 56.0 55.0 57.0 56.0
    [118] 55.5 56.5 56.5 55.0 56.0 60.0 54.0 55.0 56.0 53.0 56.5 57.0 53.0
##
```

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[131] 55.5 51.0 55.0 58.0 55.0 55.0 54.5 57.0 55.0 56.0 56.5 53.0 55.0
    [144] 59.0 56.0 62.0 56.0 54.5 55.0 59.5 58.0 58.0 56.5 57.5 54.5 54.0
##
    [157] 54.0 54.5 54.5 55.0 56.0 57.0 54.0 56.0 55.0 54.0 55.0 55.0 57.0
    [170] 56.5 55.0 56.0 56.0 59.0 54.0 56.0 54.0 54.0 56.0 58.0 54.0 55.0
##
##
    [183] 55.0 53.5 54.5 54.5 55.0 56.5 56.0 55.0 58.0 56.5 56.0 55.0 53.5
    [196] 56.5 56.5 56.0 54.0 55.0 56.5 58.0 55.0 58.0 56.5 57.0 53.0 55.0
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    [209] 55.0 59.0 56.0 56.5 55.0 55.0 53.5 54.0 55.5 58.5 58.0 54.0 55.0
    [222] 58.0 58.0 57.0 57.0 57.0 55.5 57.0 56.0 55.0 54.5 55.0 56.5 56.5
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    [235] 55.0 54.0 56.0 54.5 60.0 58.0 58.0 58.0 58.0 55.0 57.0 57.5 59.0
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    [261] 55.5 58.5 55.0 57.0 58.0 59.0 60.0 59.0 57.0 55.5 55.0 58.0 57.0
    [274] 52.5 54.0 54.0 55.0 55.0 56.5 54.5 55.0 57.0 55.0 55.5 55.0 59.5
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    [313] 59.5 58.0 55.0 57.0 56.0 54.0 55.0 59.0 54.0 57.0 55.5 55.0 53.5
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    [326] 61.0 59.0 58.0 57.0 56.0 56.0 58.5 58.0 58.0 56.0 54.0 55.0 55.0
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    [469] 55.5 57.0 55.0 54.5 54.5 56.0 58.0 56.0 59.0 60.0 57.0 60.0 58.0
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    [482] 57.5 56.0 56.0 57.0 55.0 56.0 57.5 56.0 58.0 53.0 59.0 56.0 59.0
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    [781] 58.0 59.0 58.5 58.0 58.0 59.0 59.5 59.5 58.0 55.0 60.5 59.5 58.0
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   [872] 57.0 61.0 59.0 61.0 59.5 59.0 60.0 59.0 60.0 61.0 59.0 59.0 60.5
    [885] 58.5 56.0 59.0 59.0 59.5 57.5 56.0 55.0 59.0 56.5 59.0 58.0 61.5
   [898] 58.0 61.0 60.0 58.0 58.0 55.5 60.0 61.0 57.0 59.0 58.0 59.5 60.0
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   [911] 59.0 59.0 60.0 58.0 57.0 59.0 59.0 56.5 60.5 57.0 57.0 60.0 61.0
   [924] 57.5 60.0 54.0 55.0 56.0 60.5 60.0 59.0 60.0 58.5 57.0 58.0 59.0
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    [937] 58.0 61.5 59.0 59.0 58.5 60.5 58.5 60.0 59.0 59.0 59.0 58.0 58.5
   [950] 57.5 58.0 56.0 58.0 58.0 58.5 55.0 55.0 55.0 59.5 59.5 59.0 59.5
   [963] 60.5 57.5 59.5 59.5 59.5 60.5 59.0 54.0 59.0 56.5 58.0 59.0 57.5
   [976] 59.0 60.5 58.5 59.0 58.0 59.5 57.0 58.5 57.0 61.5 61.0 58.5 57.5
   [989] 61.5 59.0 59.5 57.5 61.0 59.0 60.0 59.0 58.0 59.0 57.0 59.5 59.0
## [1002] 57.0 55.5 55.0 58.5 58.5 58.0 57.0 59.0 59.0 61.0 59.0 59.5 61.0
## [1015] 61.0 57.0 55.5 62.0 64.0 59.0 60.0 60.5 59.5 59.0 58.5 57.0 56.0
## [1028] 60.0 59.0 59.0 60.0 59.0 59.0 57.0 59.0 59.0 60.0 60.0 61.0 60.0
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## [1054] 58.0 61.0 59.0 58.0 59.0 61.0 60.0 60.0 59.5 61.0 56.0 55.5 58.0
## [1067] 59.0 60.0 59.5 61.0 59.0 59.0 58.0 59.0 60.0 60.5 60.0 55.0 55.5
## [1080] 60.5 60.0 56.5 60.5 59.5 59.5 57.0 57.5 59.5 58.5 57.5 61.0 59.0
## [1093] 59.5 61.0 57.5 59.5 57.5 57.0 58.0 58.0 61.0 62.0 55.5 56.5 55.0
## [1106] 55.0 56.0 58.0 57.0 59.5 56.5 61.0 55.5 60.5 59.5 58.0 60.0 58.0
## [1119] 54.5 56.0 62.0 60.0 59.0 57.0 61.0 59.5 57.0 59.0 61.0 58.0 56.5
## [1132] 58.5 61.0 57.0 58.0 55.0 59.0 59.5 58.5 54.5 59.5 60.0 59.0 58.0
## [1145] 59.0 59.5 63.0 56.0 59.5 59.0 59.0 59.0 60.0 60.0 59.0 60.0 60.0
## [1158] 61.5 59.0 55.5 54.0 53.5 57.0 57.5 64.0 59.5 58.0 58.5 58.5 61.0
## [1171] 59.0 60.0 58.0 62.0 58.0 60.0 60.0 61.0 66.0 59.0 57.0 59.5 56.0
## [1184] 61.0 58.0 60.0 60.0 58.0 64.0 62.0 63.5 63.5 61.5 58.8 60.0 58.0
## [1197] 63.0 62.0 61.5 62.5 57.0 61.0 59.5 60.0 59.5 57.0 57.0 62.0 61.5
## [1210] 60.5 61.0 63.0 61.0 62.0 60.0 62.5 62.0 61.0 55.5 57.0 61.0 62.0
## [1223] 59.0 64.0 62.0 63.0 62.5 61.5 56.5 60.0 60.0 58.0 64.5 63.0 62.0
## [1236] 57.0 61.0 65.0 66.0 63.0 61.0 60.5 58.5 63.0 64.0 60.0 62.0 63.5
## [1249] 61.0 60.0 65.0 59.0 59.5 62.0 62.5 65.0 59.0 61.0 59.5 63.5 60.0
## [1262] 62.0 63.0 60.0 60.0 67.0 57.5 63.0 63.0 64.0 54.5 60.0 58.0 63.5
## [1275] 62.0 63.0 61.0 64.5 63.0 63.0 57.0
```

If you save a MS Excel file as a comma separated csv file, you will use a similar command but with a comma for the separator. You can try this with the Salamander\_Demographics.csv file.

```
sally <- read.table("Data/Salamander_Demographics.csv", sep = ",", header = TRUE, stringsAsFactors = FA
str(sally)</pre>
```

```
## 'data.frame':
                    3382 obs. of 20 variables:
   $ line : int 1861 1115 360 2897 1432 372 231 2739 2236 543 ...
   $ page : int
                  60 36 12 92 46 12 8 87 72 17 ...
                   "4/21/09" "9/9/08" "5/31/08" "5/7/11" ...
   $ dates : chr
##
  $ month: int 4 9 5 5 10 5 5 10 5 6 ...
   $ day
           : int
                  21 9 31 7 16 31 27 24 14 5 ...
                   2009 2008 2008 2011 2008 2008 2008 2009 2009 2008 ...
##
   $ year
           : int
                   "N" "N" "N" "N" ...
##
   $ time
           : chr
                   "5" NA "3" "7" ...
##
   $ plot
           : chr
   $ mass
           : num
                  0.427 0.633 0.639 0.921 0.943 ...
##
   $ svl
            : int
                  33 37 42 43 45 46 47 48 NA NA ...
##
                  63 68 63 79 74 NA 75 89 87 NA ...
   $ tl
            : int
   $ sex
            : chr NA NA NA NA ...
```

```
"N" "N" "N" "N" ...
##
    $ gravid: chr
##
    $ group : chr
                   NA NA NA NA ...
                   NA NA NA NA NA NA NA NA NA ...
##
     clutch: int
                   "R" "R" "R" "R" ...
##
     color : chr
##
     recap : chr
                   NA NA NA "N" ...
                   NA NA NA NA ...
##
    $ mark
            : chr
            : int
                   1371 NA 187 2154 1042 198 74 2036 1564 351 ...
    $ damage: chr
                   "N" "N" "Y" "N" ...
```

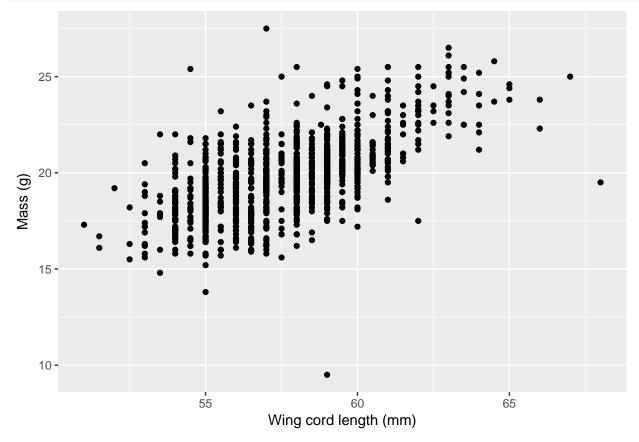
## Regression with the sparrow data

Let's use the sparrow data because we are familiar with it. Let's pick a length measurement, wingcrd, and estimate the relationship with mass (unfortunately named wt for weight).

### Plotting

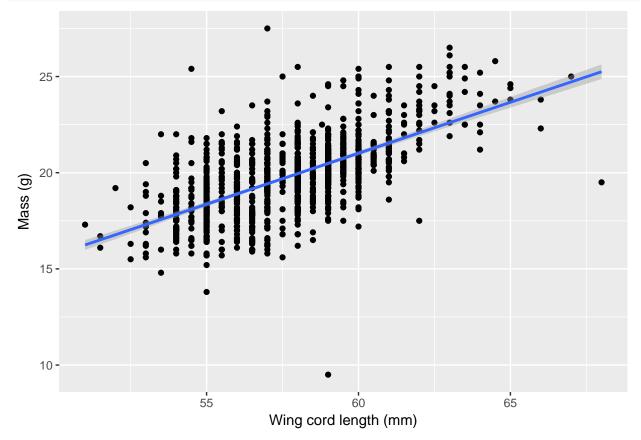
You should always plot your data first. The x-axis should be wingcrd, and the y-axis should be wt. We usually use a scatter plot for plotting two continuous variables, and so let's use a point geometry in the ggplot2 package to show each observation.

```
ggplot(sparrows, aes(x = wingcrd, y = wt)) +
geom_point() +
labs(x='Wing cord length (mm)', y='Mass (g)')
```



It looks like a line fits that fairly well. So first, let's go ahead and add a line to the plot using geom\_smooth.

```
ggplot(sparrows, aes(x = wingcrd, y = wt)) +
geom_point() +
labs(x='Wing cord length (mm)', y='Mass (g)') +
geom_smooth(method = "lm")
```



You see the regression line in blue, but a grey band around the regression that represents our confidence in the regression line. We'll get that soon enough, but for now just recognize that we estimated this based on a sample, and so there is some uncertainty in our data, and thus, there is some uncertainty in our line. The grey band is an estimate of where the regression could be given this uncertainty.

Visually, this looks like a decent regression.

### The linear model function and interpretation

Now, let's fit the regression using the function lm. To use lm, we need to specify the y and x variables. R has a type of "short hand" for linear models that looks like this: y ~ x. R will interpret that  $y = b_0 + b_1 x$ .

```
my_lm <- lm(wt ~ wingcrd, sparrows)</pre>
```

Right now, R has finished the regression, and we just need to know how to print it out.

```
summary(my_lm)
```

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = wt ~ wingcrd, data = sparrows)
##
## Residuals:
```

```
##
        Min
                  1Q
                        Median
                                     3Q
                                             Max
                                          8.0774
  -10.9821
             -0.8766
                        0.0017
                                 0.7828
##
##
##
  Coefficients:
##
                Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
   (Intercept) -10.77121
                             1.05992
                                      -10.16
                                                <2e-16 ***
##
                             0.01835
                                       28.86
                                                <2e-16 ***
##
  wingcrd
                 0.52972
##
##
  Signif. codes:
                     '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 1.506 on 1279 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.3945, Adjusted R-squared:
## F-statistic: 833.1 on 1 and 1279 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

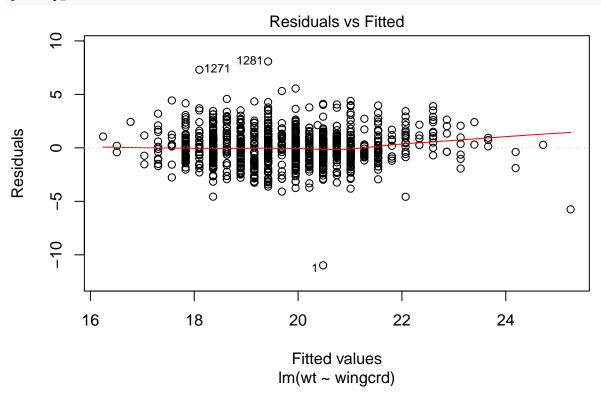
That's it. Pretty easy, right?

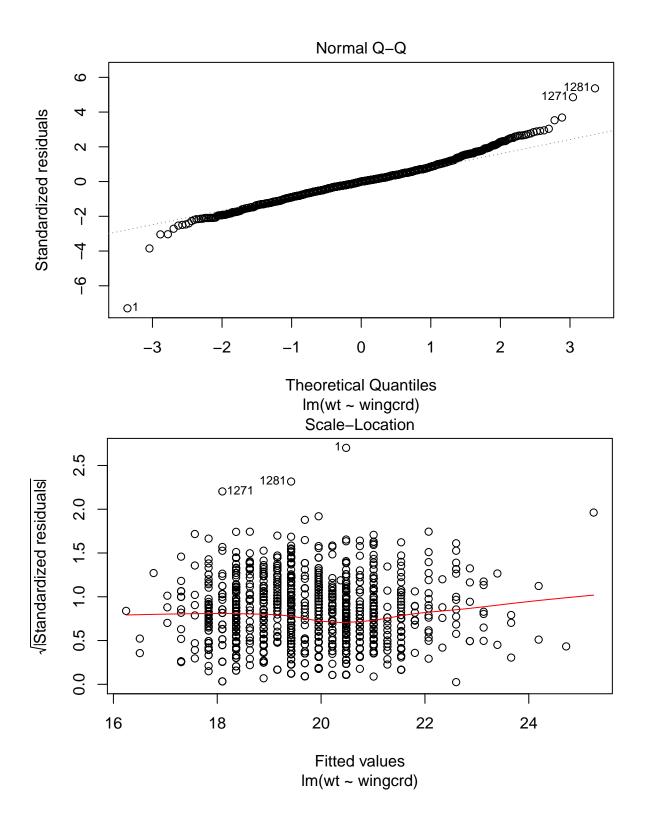
What does the line predict for the mass for a bird with a wing cord of 70 mm? It predicts -10.77121+0.52972\*70 or 26.3 g. This might be reasonable.

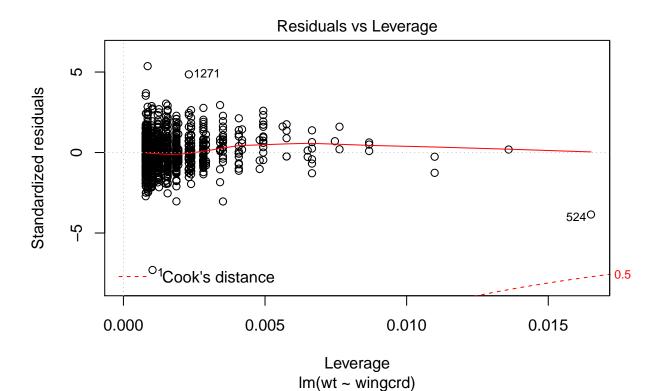
What does the line predict for the mass for a bird with a wing cord of 200 mm? It predicts -10.77121 + 0.52972 \* 200 or 95.1 g. This would be a big bird and is totally unrealistic for a sparrow. Be careful when making predictions. In general, don't make predictions that aren't supported by your data.

We always want to check the to see if our model and data matched the assumptions of the linear model (refer back to your lecture notes). We can do this by visualizing the residuals. It's easy with the plot function on your fitted model object.

#### plot(my\_lm)





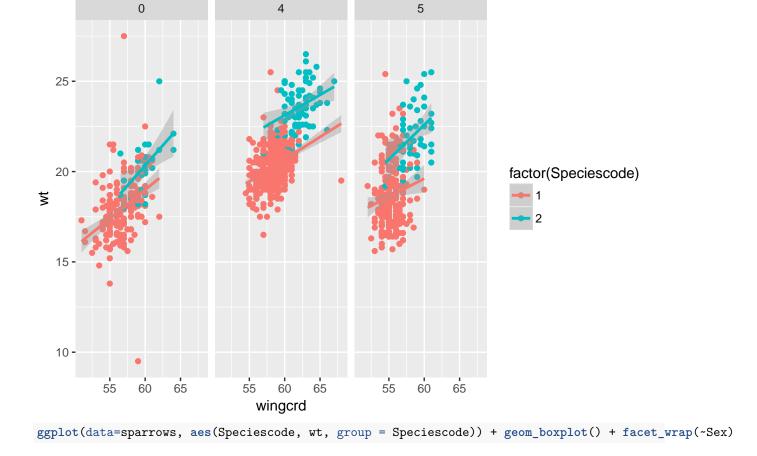


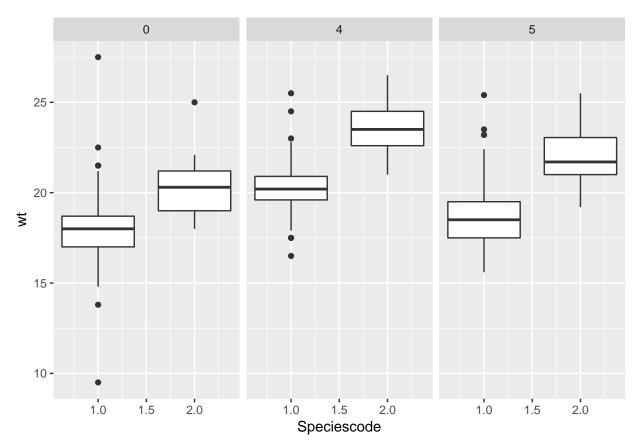
## Calculate average response for each Species.

We will calculate the average reponse per species

I will draw bar charts for each country. If there are dramatic breaks between adjacent groups, then that may suggest that that differences between adjacent categories is very nonlinear.

ggplot(data=sparrows, aes(wingcrd, wt, colour = factor(Speciescode))) + geom\_point() + geom\_smooth(meth





To calculate species averages, we will need to (1) group\_by species, and then (2) summarize by mean. I've been doing this for awhile, so I know that mean won't like the NAs (missing values) in the data. So we will have to tell mean that it can remove NAs if it needs to.

## **Export Data**

Now imagine you want to save some data or results you worked up in R. To save a set of R objects for later use in R, you can use the save function.

```
save(my_lm, species_data, file = "Output/lab2_tutorial.RData")
```

If you have a table you want to be able to open in a spreadsheet like MS Excel you can use the write.csv function.

```
write.csv(species_data, file = "Output/species_data.csv", row.names = FALSE)
```

# Commands learned in this lab