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Data Sci Eng Mth & Tools

Lecture 2

Formulas & Modeling in R

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• Very important! Need to master it to solve quadratic equations

When you have $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$

the solutions are

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

Example solve

$$x^2 - 9x = -8$$

↑

First write in standard form
 $x^2 - 9x + 8 = 0$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \uparrow & \uparrow & \uparrow \\ a=1 & b=-9 & c=8 \end{array}$$

← plug in values into formula

$$x = \frac{-(-9) \pm \sqrt{(-9)^2 - 4(1)(8)}}{2(1)}$$

$$x = \frac{9 \pm \sqrt{81 - 32}}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{9 \pm \sqrt{49}}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{9+7}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{9-7}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{16}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{2}{2}$$

solutions →

$$x = 8$$

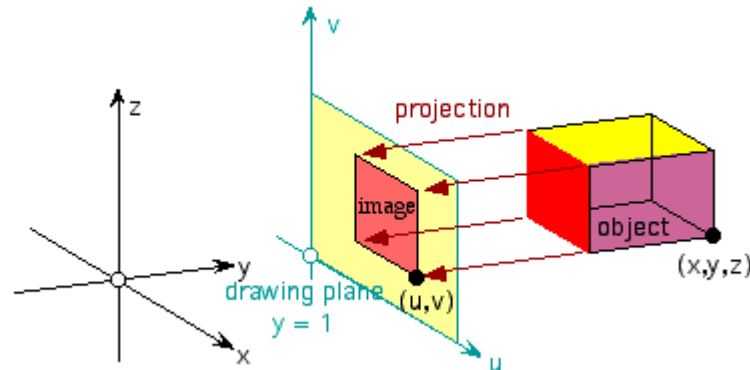
$$x = 1$$

Part 2

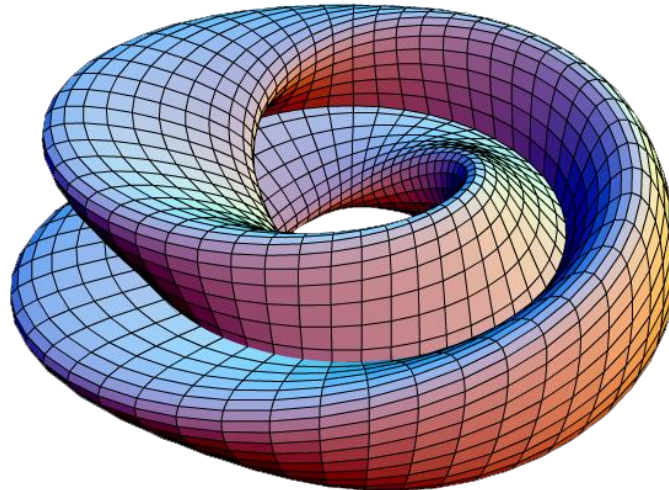
MODELING & FORMULAS IN R

BigData Processing

- **Projection operations on distributed datasets (a.k.a. disk methods, a.k.a mapreduce)**



- **Building *models* and throwing away the data (a.k.a. ML)**
 - One datum at a time





Formulas in R

- Formulas are used inside function calls to generate "special behavior"
 - Allow you to *capture the values of variables without evaluating them so that they can be interpreted by the function*
 - Use these R objects to express a relationship between variables
 - Example from language lab: `barchart(key ~ freq, data = head(stats, 20), col = "magenta", main = "Keywords-simple noun phrases", xlab = "Frequency")`
- The variable on the left-hand side of a tilde (~) is called the **dependent (label) variable**, while the variables on the right-hand side are called the **independent (predictor) variables** and are joined by plus signs (+)
 - `f ← y ~ x + b` *#y is a function of x and b*
 - `f <- as.formula("y ~ x + b")` *#try typeof(f)*
 - `Sepal.Width ~ Petal.Width + log(Petal.Length) + Species`
 - `Sepal.Width ~ Petal.Width | Species` *#sepal width is a function of petal width, conditioned on species*



List of Formulas (proofs when formulas..)

- `i <- y ~ x`
`j <- y ~ x + x1`
`k <- y ~ x + x1 + x2`
- **# Concatenate**
`formulae <-`
`list(as.formula(i), as.formula(j), as.formula(k))`
- **# List**
`formulae[[1]]`
- **# Update**
`update(y ~ x1 + x2, ~. + x3) # y ~ x1 + x2 + x3`
- **\$ Check**
`library(plyr)`
`is.formula(f)`



Where formulas are used: Statistical Modeling

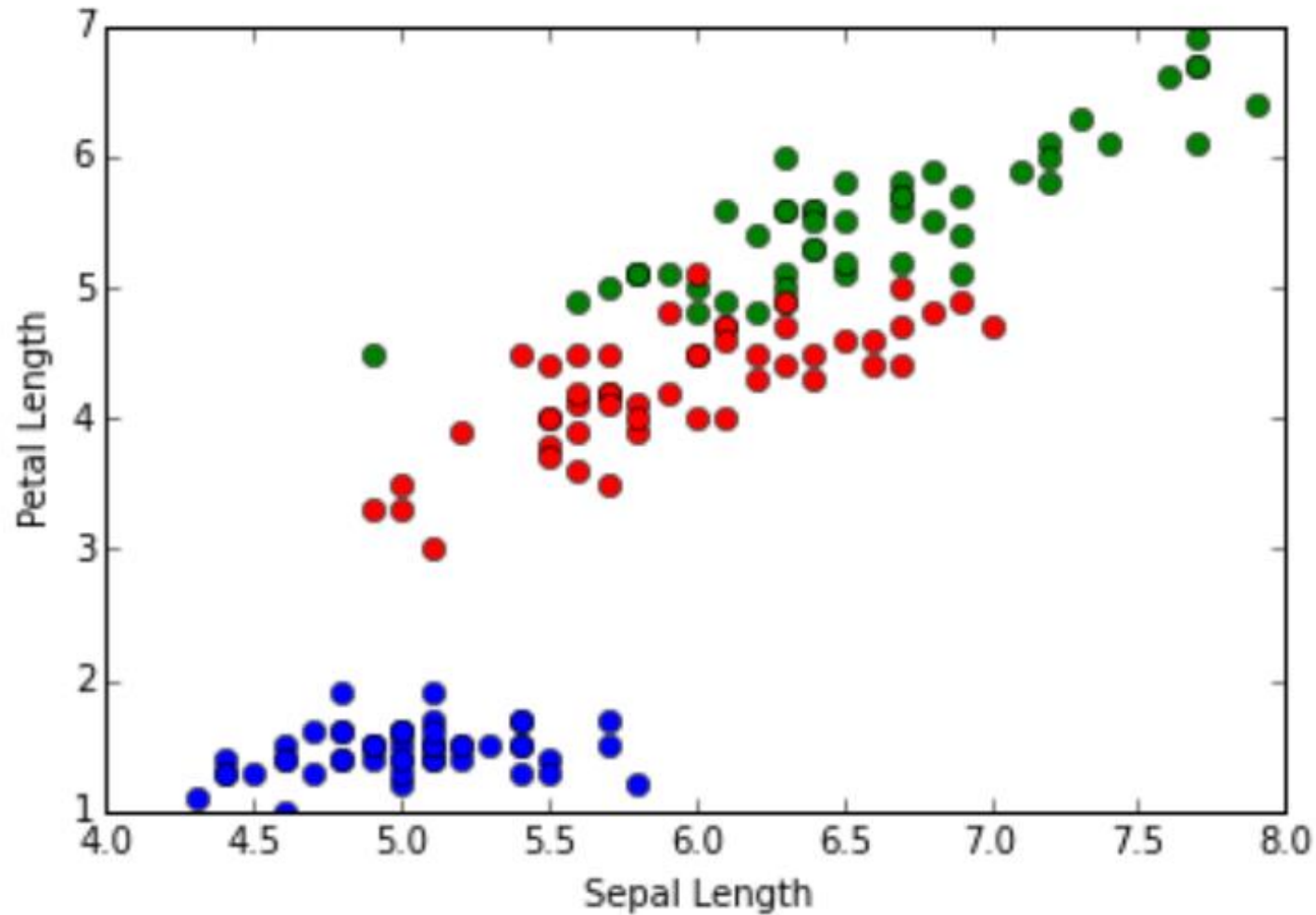
- **Simplified, mathematically-formalized way to approximate reality and optionally to make predictions from this approximation**
- **A statistical model represents the data generating process in an idealized form**
- **Modeling functions in R are where you need:**
 - **A `formula` object as an argument**
 - **Data as an argument, which allows you to specify a data frame that you want to attach for the duration of the model**
 - **Tools like `subset` to select the data that you want to use**



Linear modeling

- You use `lm()` to fit linear models
- You can use it to perform regression, analysis of variance and analysis of covariance
- **# iris dataset**
 - https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Iris_flower_data_set
 - <https://archive.ics.uci.edu/ml/datasets/iris>
- `data(iris)`
`head(iris)`
- `setosa = iris[iris$Species == 'setosa']`
- `versicolor = iris[iris$Species == 'versicolor']`
- `virginica = iris[iris$Species == 'virginica']`
- `s = plot(setosa$Sepal.Length, setosa$Petal.Length)`
- `vi = plot(virginica$Sepal.Length, virginica$Petal.Length)`
- `ve = plot(versicolor$Sepal.Length, versicolor$Petal.Length)`

Setosa, versicolor, virginica





Linear modeling (continued)

- `x = iris$Petal.Width + log(iris$Petal.Length)`
- `y = iris$Sepal.Width`
- `plot(x,y)`
- `x = iris$Petal.Width[iris$Species=="setosa"] +
log(iris$Petal.Length[iris$Species=="setosa"])`
- `y = iris$Sepal.Width[iris$Species=="setosa"]`
- `plot(x,y)`
- `lm.m <- lm(Sepal.Width ~ Petal.Width +
log(Petal.Length) + Species, data = iris,
subset = Sepal.Length > 4.6)`
- `print(lm.m)`
- `abline(lm.m)`

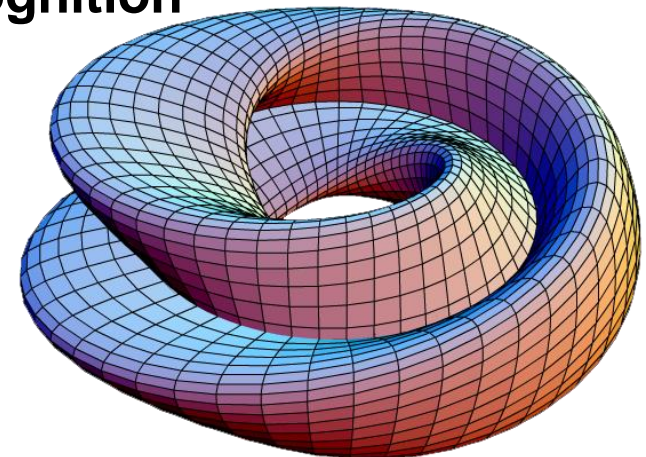


Non-linear modeling

- Let's do an exponential with noise, and see if we can recover the general tendency as a model so we can use it to predict..
- Use `nls()` to fit non-linear models
- `x <- seq(0,50,1)`
- `y <- ((runif(1,10,20)*x) / (runif(1,0,10)+x))`
- `plot(x,y)`
- `y <-`
 `((runif(1,10,20)*x) / (runif(1,0,10)+x)) + rnorm(51,0,1)`
- `plot(x,y)`
- `nls.m <- nls(y ~ a*x/(b+x) ,`
 `start=c(a=4, b=1))`
- `lines(x, predict(nls.m), col = "red")`

Time-out

- Building a model is *exactly* what Artificial Neural Networks do
- It's just that because there's so much data, our typical math and statistical packages cannot handle the data crunching..
- ANNs are designed to do exactly that, real well
- All they are curve builders in high-dimensional space
- Also, that's what your brain is all about
- It draws geometry to allow you to navigate best possible paths in life in accordance to your experience
- Intelligence = geometry & pattern recognition





Where formulas are used: Graphics

- `library (graphics)`
- `#https://www.rdocumentation.org/packages/graphics/versions/3.4.0/topics/plot.formula`
- `data (airquality)`
`plot(Ozone ~ Wind, data = airquality, pch =`
`as.character(Month))`



Where formulas are used: lattice

- `library (lattice)`
- `data (airquality)`
- # <https://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/lattice/lattice.pdf>
- `histogram(~ Ozone | factor(Month) ,
 data = airquality,
 layout = c(2, 3) ,
 xlab = "Ozone (ppb) ")`



Where formulas are used: ggplot2

- `library (ggplot2)`
- `data (mpg)`
- `# use formulas in ggplot2 function geom_smooth(),`
to specify the formula to use in the smoothing
function; This will influence the form of the fit
- http://ggplot2.tidyverse.org/reference/geom_smooth.html
- <https://stat.ethz.ch/R-manual/R-devel/library/splines/html/bs.html>
- ```
ggplot(mpg, aes(displacement, hwy)) +
 geom_point() +
 geom_smooth
 (
 method = "lm",
 formula = y ~ splines::bs(x, 3),
 se = FALSE
)
```

