Class 19: Pertussis and the CMI-PB Project

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Pertussis is a severe lung infection often also known as whooping cough

We wil begin by investigating the number of Pertussis cases per year in the US.

This data is available on the CDC webste here here

Lets have a wee look at this data.frame

```
year cases
1 1922 107473
2 1923 164191
3 1924 165418
4 1925 152003
5 1926 202210
```

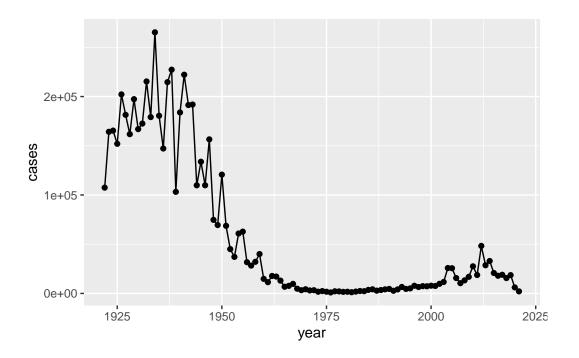
6 1927 181411

Q1. With the help of the R "addin" package datapasta assign the CDC pertussis case number data to a data frame called cdc and use ggplot to make a plot of cases numbers over time.

I want a nice plot of the number of cases per year.

```
library(ggplot2)

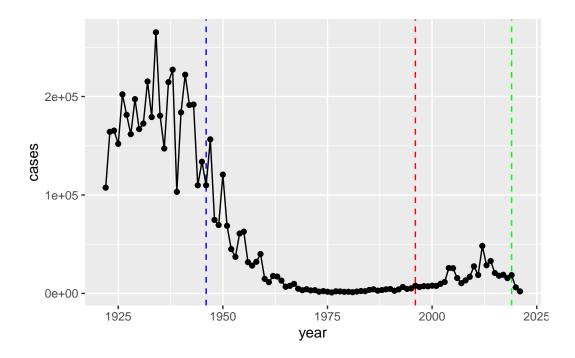
ggplot(cdc, aes(year, cases)) +
   geom_point() +
   geom_line()
```



2. A table of two vaccines (wP & aP)

Q2. Using the ggplot geom_vline() function add lines to your previous plot for the 1946 introduction of the wP vaccine and the 1996 switch to aP vaccine (see example in the hint below). What do you notice?

```
ggplot(cdc, aes(year, cases)) +
  geom_vline(xintercept=1946, linetype="dashed", col="blue") +
  geom_vline(xintercept=1996, linetype ="dashed", col="red") +
  geom_vline(xintercept=2019, linetype ="dashed", col="green") +
  geom_point() +
  geom_line()
```



I notice that usage of the wP vaccine led to decrease of cases and no resurgence. However, when the switch to aP vaccines took place, cases started to resurge moderately.

Q3. Describe what happened after the introduction of the aP vaccine? Do you have a possible explanation for the observed trend?

After addition of the aP vaccine, there is a lag and then cases rise with a ~3 year cycle perhaps similar to that observed before to the first wP introduction.

3. Exploring CMI-PB data

Why is this vaccine-preventable disease on the upswing? To answer this question we need to invetigate the mechanisms underlying waning protection against pertussis. This required evaluation of pertussis-specific immune responses over time in wP and aP vaccinated individuals.

This is the goals of the CMI-PB project: https://www.cmi-pb.org/

The CMI-PB project makes its data avilable via "API-endpoint" that return JSON format.

We will use the **jsonlite** package to access this data. The main function in this package is called read_json()

library(jsonlite) # Subject table subject <- read_json("https://www.cmi-pb.org/api/subject", simplifyVector=TRUE) specimen <- read_json("https://www.cmi-pb.org/api/specimen", simplifyVector=TRUE) titer <- read_json("https://www.cmi-pb.org/api/plasma_ab_titer", simplifyVector=TRUE)</pre>

Have a wee peak at these new objects:

```
head(subject)
```

```
subject_id infancy_vac biological_sex
                                                       ethnicity race
                      wP
                                  Female Not Hispanic or Latino White
1
           1
                      wP
2
           2
                                  Female Not Hispanic or Latino White
3
           3
                      wP
                                  Female
                                                         Unknown White
4
           4
                      wP
                                    Male Not Hispanic or Latino Asian
           5
5
                      wP
                                    Male Not Hispanic or Latino Asian
           6
6
                                  Female Not Hispanic or Latino White
                      wP
 year_of_birth date_of_boost
                                    dataset
                   2016-09-12 2020_dataset
     1986-01-01
1
2
     1968-01-01
                   2019-01-28 2020_dataset
3
     1983-01-01
                   2016-10-10 2020 dataset
4
     1988-01-01
                   2016-08-29 2020_dataset
5
     1991-01-01
                   2016-08-29 2020 dataset
                   2016-10-10 2020_dataset
     1988-01-01
```

head(titer)

```
specimen_id isotype is_antigen_specific antigen
                                                            MFI MFI normalised
1
            1
                   IgE
                                      FALSE
                                              Total 1110.21154
                                                                       2.493425
2
            1
                                      FALSE
                                              Total 2708.91616
                                                                       2.493425
                   IgE
3
            1
                                       TRUE
                                                 PT
                                                       68.56614
                                                                       3.736992
                   IgG
4
                                                 PRN
            1
                   IgG
                                       TRUE
                                                     332.12718
                                                                       2.602350
5
                                                 FHA 1887.12263
                                                                      34.050956
            1
                   IgG
                                       TRUE
            1
                                       TRUE
                                                 ACT
                                                        0.10000
                                                                       1.000000
                   IgE
   unit lower_limit_of_detection
1 UG/ML
                         2.096133
2 IU/ML
                        29.170000
3 IU/ML
                         0.530000
4 IU/ML
                         6.205949
```

```
5 IU/ML
                          4.679535
6 IU/ML
                          2.816431
     Q4. How may aP and wP infancy vaccinated subjects are in the dataset?
   table(subject$infancy_vac)
aP wP
60 58
     Q5. How many Male and Female subjects/patients are in the dataset?
   table(subject$biological_sex)
Female
         Male
    79
            39
     Q6. What is the breakdown of race and biological sex (e.g. number of Asian females,
     White males etc...)?
   table(subject$biological_sex, subject$race)
          American Indian/Alaska Native Asian Black or African American
  Female
                                                                            2
                                              21
                                                                           0
  Male
                                         1
                                              11
          More Than One Race Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
  Female
                            9
                                                                          1
                            2
  Male
                                                                          1
          Unknown or Not Reported White
```

Now add the age of each subject to the subject table.

Female

Male

11

4

35

20

```
subject$age <- ymd(subject$date_of_boost) - ymd(subject$year_of_birth)
subject$age_years <- time_length(subject$age, "years")
head(subject)</pre>
```

```
subject_id infancy_vac biological_sex
                                                      ethnicity race
1
           1
                      wP
                                  Female Not Hispanic or Latino White
                                  Female Not Hispanic or Latino White
2
           2
                      wP
3
           3
                      wP
                                  Female
                                                        Unknown White
           4
4
                      wΡ
                                    Male Not Hispanic or Latino Asian
5
           5
                      wP
                                    Male Not Hispanic or Latino Asian
           6
                      wP
                                  Female Not Hispanic or Latino White
 year_of_birth date_of_boost
                                    dataset
                                                   age age_years
     1986-01-01
                   2016-09-12 2020_dataset 11212 days
1
                                                        30.69678
2
     1968-01-01
                   2019-01-28 2020_dataset 18655 days 51.07461
3
                   2016-10-10 2020_dataset 12336 days
     1983-01-01
                                                        33.77413
4
                   2016-08-29 2020_dataset 10468 days
     1988-01-01
                                                        28.65982
5
     1991-01-01
                   2016-08-29 2020_dataset 9372 days
                                                        25.65914
                   2016-10-10 2020_dataset 10510 days
                                                        28.77481
     1988-01-01
```

Q7. Using this approach determine (i) the average age of wP individuals, (ii) the average age of aP individuals; and (iii) are they significantly different?

```
library(dplyr)
ap <- subject %>% filter(infancy vac == "aP")
round(summary(time length(ap$age,"years")))
                         Mean 3rd Qu.
Min. 1st Qu.
               Median
                                          Max.
  19
           20
                   20
                            21
                                    21
                                            28
wp <- subject %>% filter(infancy_vac == "wP")
round(summary(time_length(wp$age, "years")))
Min. 1st Qu.
               Median
                         Mean 3rd Qu.
                                          Max.
  23
           26
                   29
                            31
                                    34
                                            51
```

Q8. Determine the age of all individuals at time of boost?

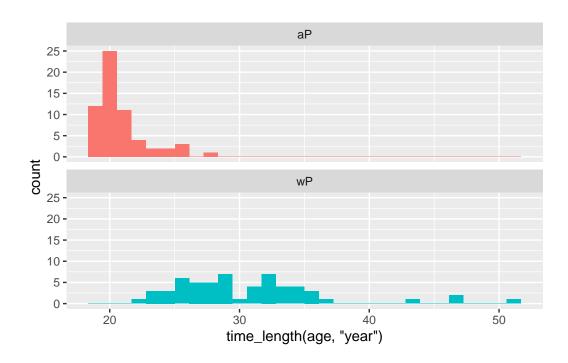
```
int <- ymd(subject$date_of_boost) - ymd(subject$year_of_birth)
age_at_boost <- time_length(int, "year")
head(age_at_boost)</pre>
```

[1] 30.69678 51.07461 33.77413 28.65982 25.65914 28.77481

Q9. With the help of a faceted boxplot (see below), do you think these two groups are significantly different?

```
ggplot(subject) +
  aes(time_length(age, "year"),
      fill=as.factor(infancy_vac)) +
  geom_histogram(show.legend=FALSE) +
  facet_wrap(vars(infancy_vac), nrow=2)
```

`stat_bin()` using `bins = 30`. Pick better value with `binwidth`.



Merge or join tables

Q9. Complete the code to join specimen and subject tables to make a new merged data frame containing all specimen records along with their associated subject details:

```
library(dplyr)
  meta <- inner_join(specimen, subject)</pre>
Joining with `by = join_by(subject_id)`
  head(meta)
  specimen_id subject_id actual_day_relative_to_boost
1
            1
                        1
                                                      -3
            2
2
                        1
                                                       1
3
            3
                        1
                                                       3
                                                       7
4
            4
                        1
5
            5
                        1
                                                      11
                                                      32
            6
 planned_day_relative_to_boost specimen_type visit infancy_vac biological_sex
                                          Blood
1
                               0
                                                     1
                                                                wP
                                                                            Female
2
                               1
                                          Blood
                                                     2
                                                                            Female
                                                                wP
3
                               3
                                          Blood
                                                     3
                                                                wP
                                                                            Female
4
                               7
                                                     4
                                                                            Female
                                          Blood
                                                                wP
5
                                                     5
                              14
                                          Blood
                                                                wP
                                                                            Female
6
                              30
                                                     6
                                                                            Female
                                          Blood
                                                                wP
               ethnicity race year_of_birth date_of_boost
                                                                    dataset
1 Not Hispanic or Latino White
                                                   2016-09-12 2020_dataset
                                    1986-01-01
2 Not Hispanic or Latino White
                                    1986-01-01
                                                   2016-09-12 2020_dataset
3 Not Hispanic or Latino White
                                    1986-01-01
                                                  2016-09-12 2020_dataset
4 Not Hispanic or Latino White
                                                  2016-09-12 2020_dataset
                                    1986-01-01
5 Not Hispanic or Latino White
                                    1986-01-01
                                                   2016-09-12 2020 dataset
6 Not Hispanic or Latino White
                                    1986-01-01
                                                   2016-09-12 2020_dataset
         age age_years
1 11212 days
              30.69678
2 11212 days
              30.69678
3 11212 days
              30.69678
4 11212 days
              30.69678
5 11212 days
              30.69678
6 11212 days
              30.69678
```

Antibody measurements in the blood

Q10. Now using the same procedure join meta with titer data so we can further analyze this data in terms of time of visit aP/wP, male/female etc.

```
abdata <- inner_join(titer, meta)
```

Joining with `by = join_by(specimen_id)`

head(abdata)

	specimen_id	isotype	is_antigen	_specific	anti	gen	ME	FI MF	[_normali	ised
1	1	IgE		FALSE	То	tal	1110.2115	54	2.493	3425
2	1	IgE		FALSE	То	tal	2708.9161	16	2.493	3425
3	1	IgG		TRUE		PT	68.5661	14	3.736	5992
4	1	IgG		TRUE		PRN	332.1271	18	2.602	2350
5	1	IgG		TRUE		FHA	1887.1226	33	34.050	956
6	1	IgE		TRUE		ACT	0.1000	00	1.000	0000
	unit lower_limit_of_detection subject_id actual_day_relative_to_boost									
1	UG/ML		2.096133		1				-3	3
2	IU/ML 29.170000			1			-3			
3	IU/ML	1				-3				
4	IU/ML 6.205949				1			-3		
5	IU/ML 4.679535				1			-3		
6	IU/ML		2.816431		1				-3	3
	<pre>planned_day_relative_to_boost specimen_type visit infancy_vac biological_</pre>						cal_sex			
1			0	B3	Lood		1	wP		${\tt Female}$
2			0	B3	Lood		1	wP		${\tt Female}$
3			0	B3	Lood		1	wP		${\tt Female}$
4			0	B3	Lood		1	wP		${\tt Female}$
5			0	B3	Lood		1	wP		${\tt Female}$
6			0	B3	Lood		1	wP		${\tt Female}$
	ethnicity race year_of_birth date_of_boost dataset									
	Not Hispanio			1986-01-	-01	20	16-09-12	2020_	_dataset	
	Not Hispanio			1986-01-	-01	20	16-09-12	2020_	_dataset	
3	Not Hispanio	c or Lati	no White	1986-01-	-01	20	16-09-12	2020_	_dataset	
	Not Hispanio			1986-01-	-01	20	16-09-12	2020_	_dataset	
5	Not Hispanio	c or Lati	no White	1986-01-	-01	20	16-09-12	2020_	_dataset	
6	Not Hispanio	c or Lati	no White	1986-01-	-01	20	16-09-12	2020_	_dataset	
	age age_years									
1	1 11212 days 30.69678									

```
2 11212 days 30.69678
3 11212 days 30.69678
4 11212 days 30.69678
5 11212 days 30.69678
6 11212 days 30.69678
```

Q11. How many specimens (i.e. entries in abdata) do we have for each isotype?

```
table(abdata$isotype)
```

```
IgE IgG IgG1 IgG2 IgG3 IgG4
6698 3240 7968 7968 7968 7968
```

Lets focus on on of these: IgG

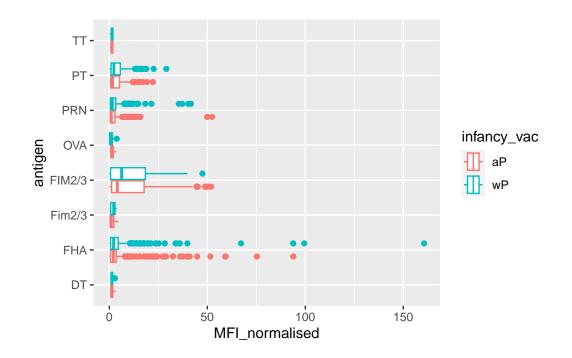
```
igg <- abdata %>% filter(isotype =="IgG")
head(igg)
```

	specimen_id	isotyne	is antigen	specific	antigen	MFT	MFI_normali	ised		
1	1	IgG	15_411015011	TRUE	PT		_			
2	1	_			PRN	00.00011				
	_	IgG		TRUE		332.12718				
3	1	IgG		TRUE	FHA	1887.12263	34.050	1956		
4	19	IgG		TRUE	PT	20.11607	1.096	3366		
5	19	IgG		TRUE	PRN	976.67419	7.652	2635		
6	19	IgG		TRUE	FHA	60.76626	1.096	3457		
	unit lower_limit_of_detection subject_id actual_day_relative_to_boost									
1	IU/ML		0.530000		1		-3	3		
2	IU/ML		6.205949		1		-3	3		
3	IU/ML		4.679535		1		-3	3		
4	IU/ML		0.530000		3		-3	3		
5	IU/ML		6.205949		3		-3	3		
6	IU/ML		4.679535		3		-3	3		
	planned_day	_relative	e_to_boost	specimen_t	type vis:	it infancy_	vac biologio	cal_sex		
1			0	В	lood	1	wP	Female		
2			0	В	lood	1	wP	Female		
3			0	В	lood	1	wP	Female		
4			0	В	lood	1	wP	Female		
5			0	В	lood	1	wP	Female		
6			0	В	lood	1	wP	Female		
	ethnicity race year_of_birth date_of_boost dataset									

```
1 Not Hispanic or Latino White
                                   1986-01-01
                                                 2016-09-12 2020_dataset
2 Not Hispanic or Latino White
                                                 2016-09-12 2020_dataset
                                   1986-01-01
3 Not Hispanic or Latino White
                                                 2016-09-12 2020_dataset
                                   1986-01-01
4
                 Unknown White
                                   1983-01-01
                                                 2016-10-10 2020_dataset
5
                 Unknown White
                                                 2016-10-10 2020_dataset
                                   1983-01-01
                                                 2016-10-10 2020_dataset
6
                 Unknown White
                                   1983-01-01
         age age_years
1 11212 days
              30.69678
2 11212 days
              30.69678
3 11212 days
              30.69678
4 12336 days
              33.77413
5 12336 days
              33.77413
6 12336 days
              33.77413
```

Box plot of MFI_normalised vs antigen

```
ggplot(igg, aes(MFI_normalised, antigen, col=infancy_vac)) +
  geom_boxplot()
```



head(igg)

```
specimen_id isotype is_antigen_specific antigen
                                                             MFI MFI_normalised
1
            1
                   IgG
                                       TRUE
                                                  PT
                                                       68.56614
                                                                       3.736992
2
            1
                                       TRUE
                                                 PRN
                                                      332.12718
                                                                       2.602350
                   IgG
3
            1
                   IgG
                                       TRUE
                                                 FHA 1887.12263
                                                                      34.050956
4
           19
                   IgG
                                       TRUE
                                                  PT
                                                       20.11607
                                                                       1.096366
5
            19
                                       TRUE
                                                 PRN
                                                      976.67419
                   IgG
                                                                       7.652635
            19
                   IgG
                                       TRUE
                                                 FHA
                                                       60.76626
                                                                       1.096457
   unit lower_limit_of_detection subject_id actual_day_relative_to_boost
                         0.530000
                                             1
1 IU/ML
                                                                           -3
2 IU/ML
                                             1
                                                                           -3
                         6.205949
3 IU/ML
                                             1
                                                                           -3
                         4.679535
4 IU/ML
                                             3
                                                                           -3
                         0.530000
                                             3
                                                                           -3
5 IU/ML
                         6.205949
                                             3
                                                                          -3
6 IU/ML
                         4.679535
  planned_day_relative_to_boost specimen_type visit infancy_vac biological_sex
                                          Blood
                                                                 wP
1
                                0
                                                     1
                                                                             Female
2
                                0
                                          Blood
                                                     1
                                                                 wP
                                                                             Female
3
                                0
                                          Blood
                                                     1
                                                                             Female
                                                                 wP
4
                                0
                                          Blood
                                                     1
                                                                 wΡ
                                                                             Female
5
                                0
                                          Blood
                                                     1
                                                                 wP
                                                                             Female
6
                                0
                                          Blood
                                                     1
                                                                 wP
                                                                             Female
                ethnicity race year_of_birth date_of_boost
                                                                    dataset
1 Not Hispanic or Latino White
                                    1986-01-01
                                                   2016-09-12 2020_dataset
2 Not Hispanic or Latino White
                                    1986-01-01
                                                   2016-09-12 2020_dataset
3 Not Hispanic or Latino White
                                    1986-01-01
                                                   2016-09-12 2020_dataset
4
                  Unknown White
                                    1983-01-01
                                                   2016-10-10 2020_dataset
5
                                                   2016-10-10 2020_dataset
                  Unknown White
                                    1983-01-01
6
                  Unknown White
                                    1983-01-01
                                                   2016-10-10 2020_dataset
         age age_years
1 11212 days
               30.69678
2 11212 days
               30.69678
3 11212 days
               30.69678
4 12336 days
               33.77413
5 12336 days
               33.77413
6 12336 days
               33.77413
```

Focus in on IgG to the Pertussis Toxin (PT) antigen in the 2021 dataset

```
igg.pt <- igg %>% filter(antigen == "PT", dataset == "2021_dataset")
```

