Homework 2: Data Wrangling

This homework will forcus on improving your data wrangling skills. In particular, this homework assignment will have an emphasis on working with the dplyr functions mutate, group_by, summarize, filter, and count. Moreover, there is also an emphasis on using the lubridate packages to work with dates.

For this week, the data you will be using is Michael Topper's Spotify data. The data is the universe of all streaming data from Michael's Spotify account for a one-year period. Here is a quick description of some of the columns:

- end_time the time that the stream of a specific track ended.
- artist name the name of the artist.
- track_name the title of the song.
- ms_played the number of milliseconds the song was played for (NOT song length!).

We will be do some simple analysis on the data and explore some of Michael's streaming habits.

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- 1. Read in the data using the readr::read csv function.
- 2. Using the lubridate package, create 4 new columns: end_time which is the original end_time column, but in ymd_hm format, hm which will be the time of the end_time column in hours/minutes format (00:00), end_date which will be only the date of the end_time column in YYYY-MM-DD format, seconds_played which is the amount of seconds the song streamed for, and minutes_played which is the amount of minutes the song streamed for. *Hint*, for the hm column, you may want to use the package hms.
- 3. Find which artist Michael streamed the most in terms of number of songs streamed (doesn't matter whether the song played for only a couple seconds).
- 4. Find which artist Michael streamed the most in terms of minutes played. How many minutes played was the 5th most streamed artist?
- 5. What was Michael's favorite hour of the day to stream? What about his top 5 favorite hours?
- 6. Hopefully you noticed something weird in problem 5; the time seems incorrect unless Michael is an extreme night-owl. Note that the time zone is incorrect. Go here to figure out what time zone the data is using.
- 7. We need to change the time zone to Pacific Time. Using the lubridate package, change the end_time column and the corresponding hm and end_date columns to have the correct time zone.
- 8. Now find Michael's favorite hours of the day to stream. Do these seem more reasonable?
- 9. Let's define a "skip" as any song that Michael started listening to, but decided to stop listening to after less than 5 seconds. Create a new column called skip which is equal to 1 if Michael skipped the track, and 0 otherwise.

- 10. Re-analyse Michael's favorite hours of the day to stream and favorite artist (in terms of tracks played) while taking into filtering out these skips.
- 11. While we haven't covered graphing yet, I encourage you to try and make a fun graph of Michael's streaming habits.