

UTAustinX: UT.7.10x Foundations of Data Analysis - Part 1



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Lab 3: Professional Bull Riding



Over 1,200 bull riders from around the world are members of the Professional Bull Riders (PBR). They compete in more than 300 PBR-affiliated bull riding events per year. In the American tradition, the rider must stay atop the bucking bull for a full eight seconds. This data set includes information about the top-ranked bull riders for 2013. Rankings are based on a system which awards points for qualified rides at events throughout the season.

Primary Research Question

For the 2013 season, Is there a linear relationship between how often a rider placed in the Top 10 and the number of times he stayed on his bull for a full 8 seconds?

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Check the Data

Let's begin by examining our data in R.

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Problem Set

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- Week 4:
 Bivariate
 Distributions
 (Categorical
 Data)
- Week 5: Linear Functions

- 1. Open RStudio. Make sure you've installed the SDSFoundations **version 1.3** package.
- 2. Type **library** (**SDSFoundations**). This will automatically load the data for the labs.
- 3.Type **bull <- BullRiders**. This will assign the data to your Workspace.
- 4. Look at the spreadsheet view of the data to answer the following questions.

Alternatively, you can use follow the steps in the "Importing a Data Frame" R tutorial video, and use the BullRiders.csv file. (Right-click and "Save As.") Make sure to **name** the dataframe "bull" when importing.

- 1. Open RStudio.
- 2. Click on "Import Dataset" button at the top of the workspace window. Choose *"from text file."*
- 3. Click on the location of the BullRiders.csv file you just downloaded.
- 4. Click on the BullRiders.csv file. Then, click Upload.
- 5. Look at the spreadsheet view of the data to answer the following questions.

1a. How many observations are in the dataset?



1b. How many of the first 10 riders in the dataset have been pro for 10 years or more?

2 **X** Answer: 3

1c. Of the top 15 riders so far in 2015, how many rides were completed by the rider with the fewest buck-outs in 2014?

8 **X** Answer: 0

Click here for a video explanation of how to answer this question.

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(4/4 points)

Check the Variables of interest

Let's find the variables we need to answer the question.

Note: Be sure variable names are exact matches to the dataset. Fill-in-the-blank questions are case sensitive.

2a. Which variable tells us how many times the rider has placed in the Top 10 at the end of the 2013 season? The variable name in the dataset is:

Top10_13

Answer: Top10_13

2b. What type of variable is this?

Numerical

Answer: Numerical

C. Which variable tells us the number of times a rider stayed on his bull for the full 8 seconds in 2013? The variable name in the dataset is:

Rides13

Answer: Rides13

2d. What type of variable is this?

Numerical

Answer: Numerical

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(2/2 points)

Reflect on the Method

Which method should we be using for the analysis and why?

- 3. We will use **correlation** to answer this lab question. Why?
 - We have two categorical variables that may be related.
 - We want to explore a linear relationship between two quantitative variables.

- We want to determine how a professional bull rider makes it onto the Top 10 list.
 - We want to describe the distribution of a quantitative variable.
- 4. We should generate a **scatterplot** of these two variables before we continue our analysis. Why?
 - We need to check the shape of the distribution.
 - It is a good idea to make sure that we have quantitative data by plotting it.
 - We want to confirm that the relationship is linear.



We need to identify how many cases are in the dataset.

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