



Week 01

R You Ready?

POLI3148. Data Science in Politics and Public Administration

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Today

- About Me
- About the course (syllabus)
- *R* Software Setup



About Me

About Me

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Interested in ...

- Political communication
- Computational methods




My Research

Chinese context

- Understanding the ideological spectrum of Chinese intellectuals using cultural product reviews
- Using audio of news program to infer power dynamic and policy agenda

US context

- Perception on Covid-19 among the US public using Twitter data
 - Monitoring political polarization in the US using Twitter data
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How We Work Together Going Forward

- I would love to get to know each one of you in person.
- Language: English, Mandarin, Cantonese
- How we communicate
 - **Office hours:** [Calendly](#) appointment system
 - **CampusWire** Course Forum
- Appointments outside office hours possible. Email me.
- If I do not reply to your email within two days, kindly send me a nudge.



About DaSPPA

To discuss

- Topics
- Readings
- Output and Assessment



Topics

R + Data **Model** **Text Mining**

Week	Lecture (1st half)	Lecture (2nd half)	Due
2	Welcome	<i>R</i> you ready?	
3	<i>R</i> Basics (1)	<i>R</i> Basics (2)	
4	<i>R</i> Basics (3)	Data Wrangling (1)	
5	Data Wrangling (2)	Machine Learning Overview	
6	Data Visualization (1)	Linear Regression	
7	Data Visualization (2)	Classification	
8	<i>Reading week. No class.</i>		
9	Data Visualization (3)	Resampling Methods	A1
10	Data Visualization (4)	Model Selection and Regularization	B1
11	Text Mining (1)	Tree-Based Methods	
12	Text Mining (2)	Unsupervised Learning	
13	Text Mining (3)	Text Mining (4)	A2
14	Putting Everything Together	Debriefing and Q&A	
R	<i>DaSPPA Festival!</i>		G1
A	<i>Group Final Project Replication Dossier Due</i>		G2
A	<i>Personal DaSPPA Portfolio Submission Due</i>		A3

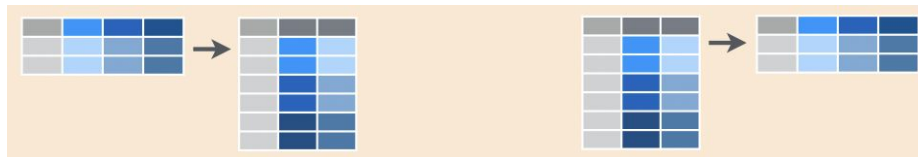
R + Data: R Basics

- Basic knowledge of R and Rstudio
- Assume no prior experience with R
- But if you have prior experience, it will be a good review



R + Data: Data Wrangling

Reshape



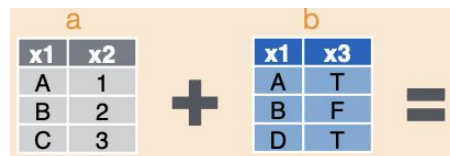
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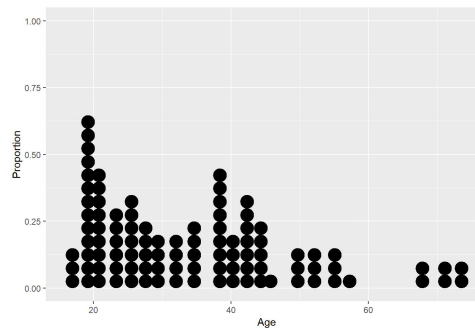
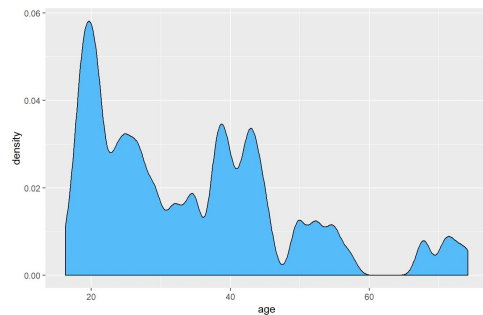
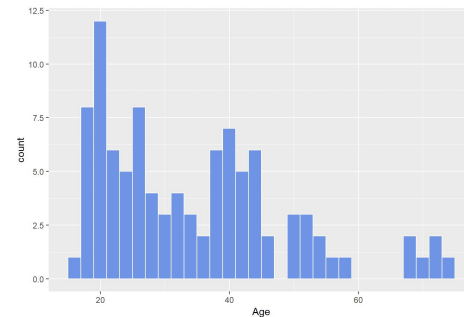
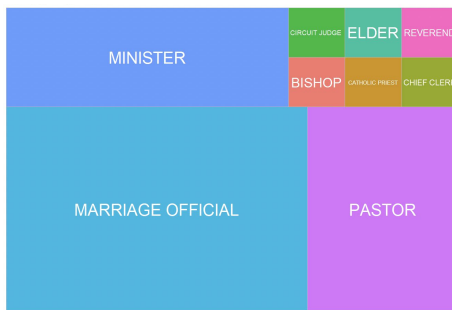
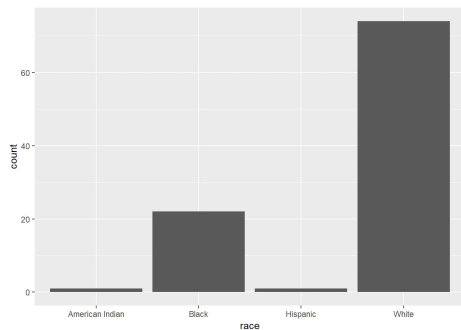
Summarize and mutate variables



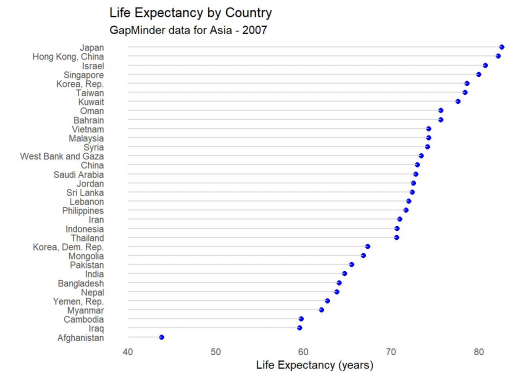
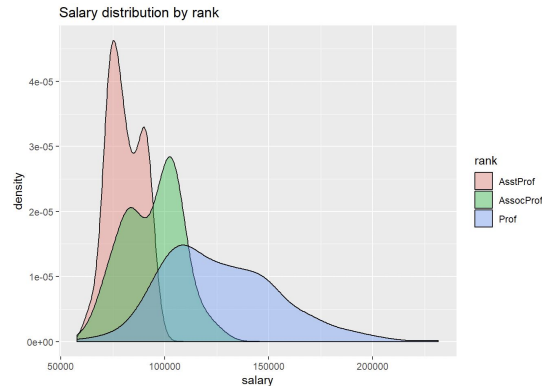
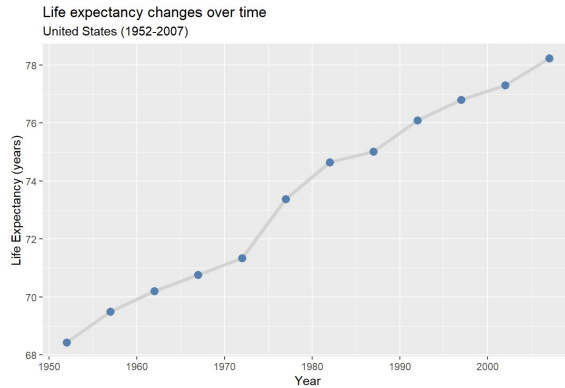
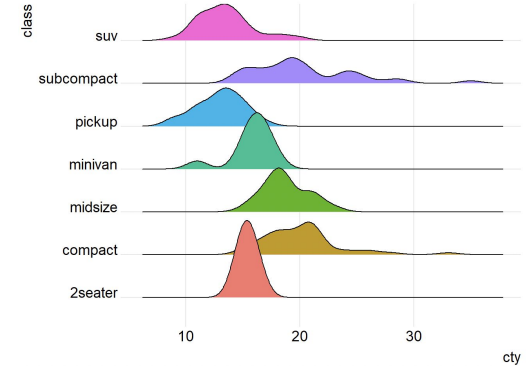
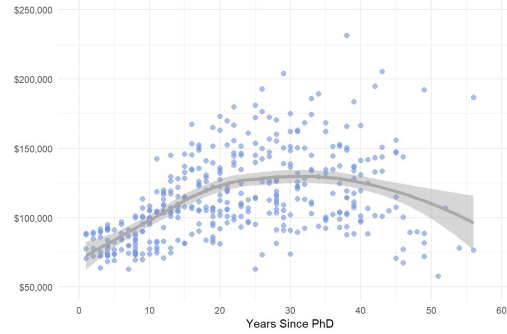
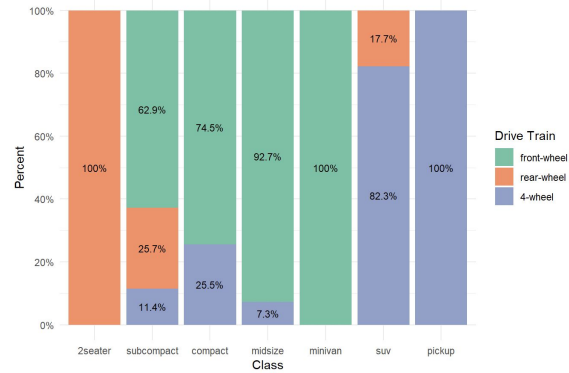
Combine datasets



R + Data: Visualize one variable



R + Data: Visualize two variables

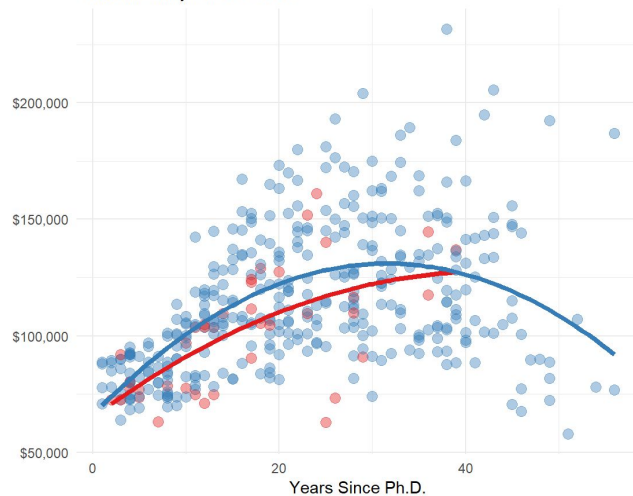


R + Data: Visualize multiple variables

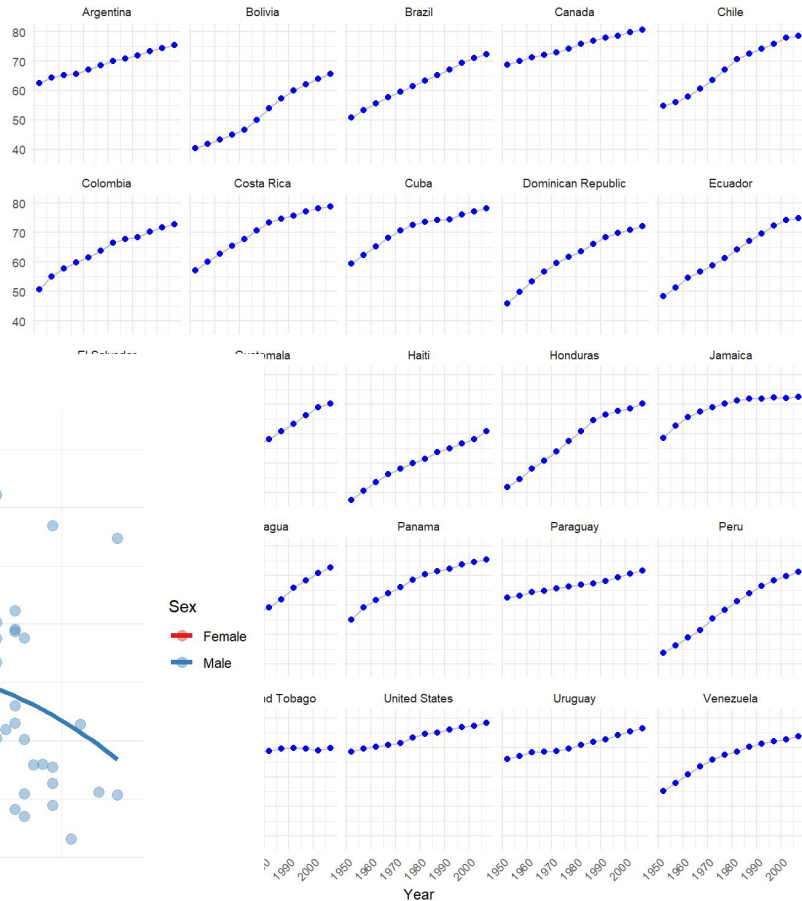
Academic salary by rank, sex, and years since degree



Academic Salary by Sex and Years Experience
9-month salary for 2008-2009



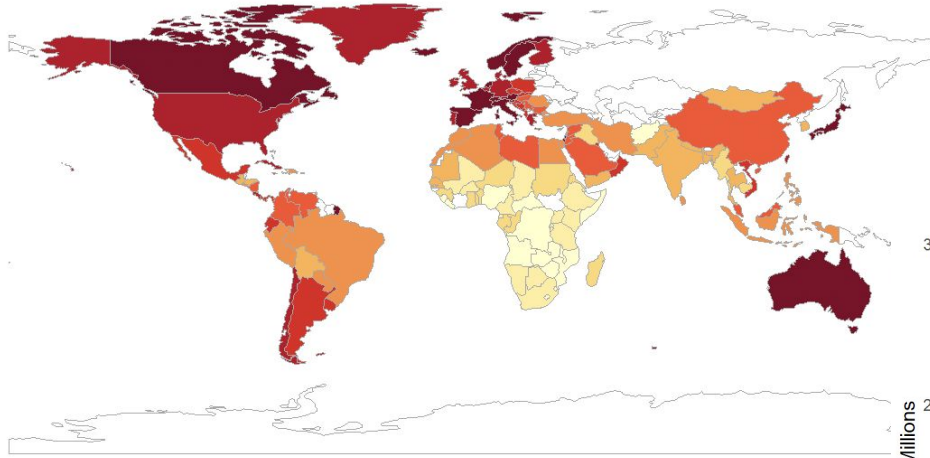
Changes in Life Expectancy



R + Data: Visualize data wrt space and time

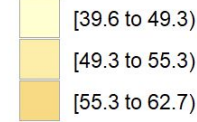
Life expectancy by country

Gapminder 2007 data

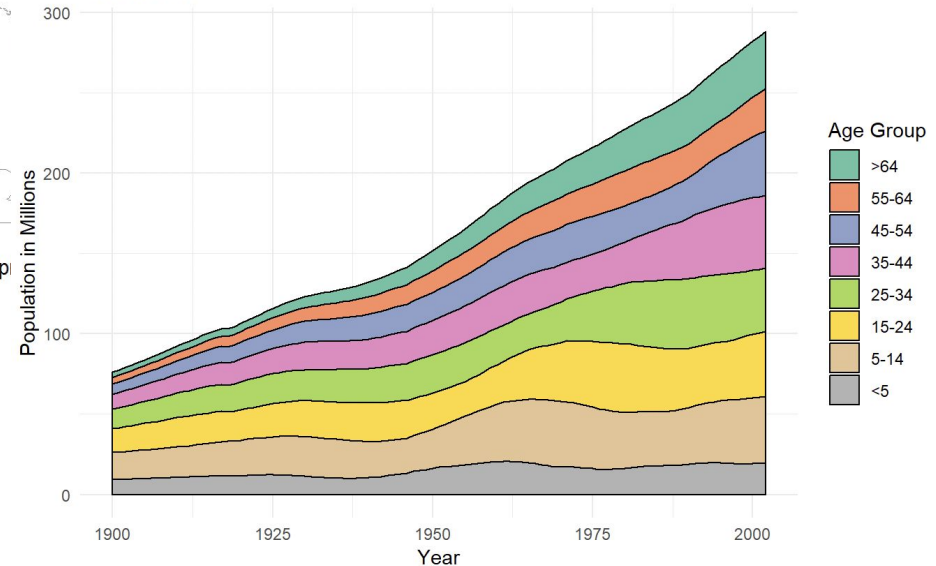


source: <https://www.gapminder.org>

Years

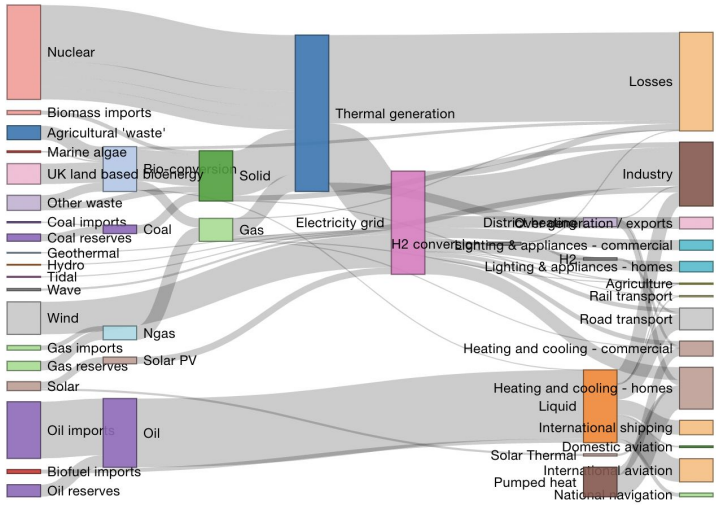


US Population by age
1900 to 2002

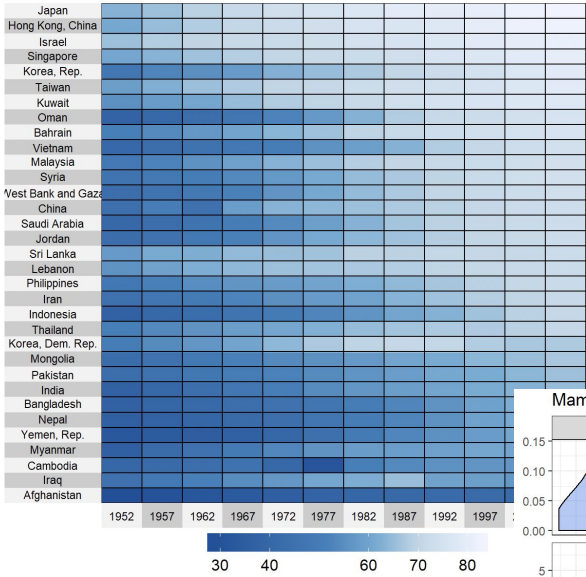


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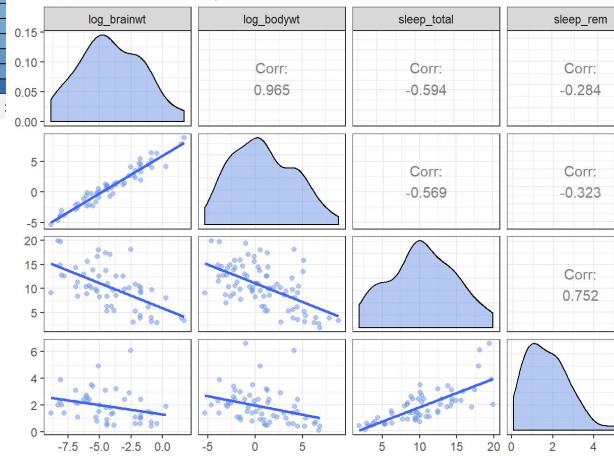
R + Data: Other cool visualization



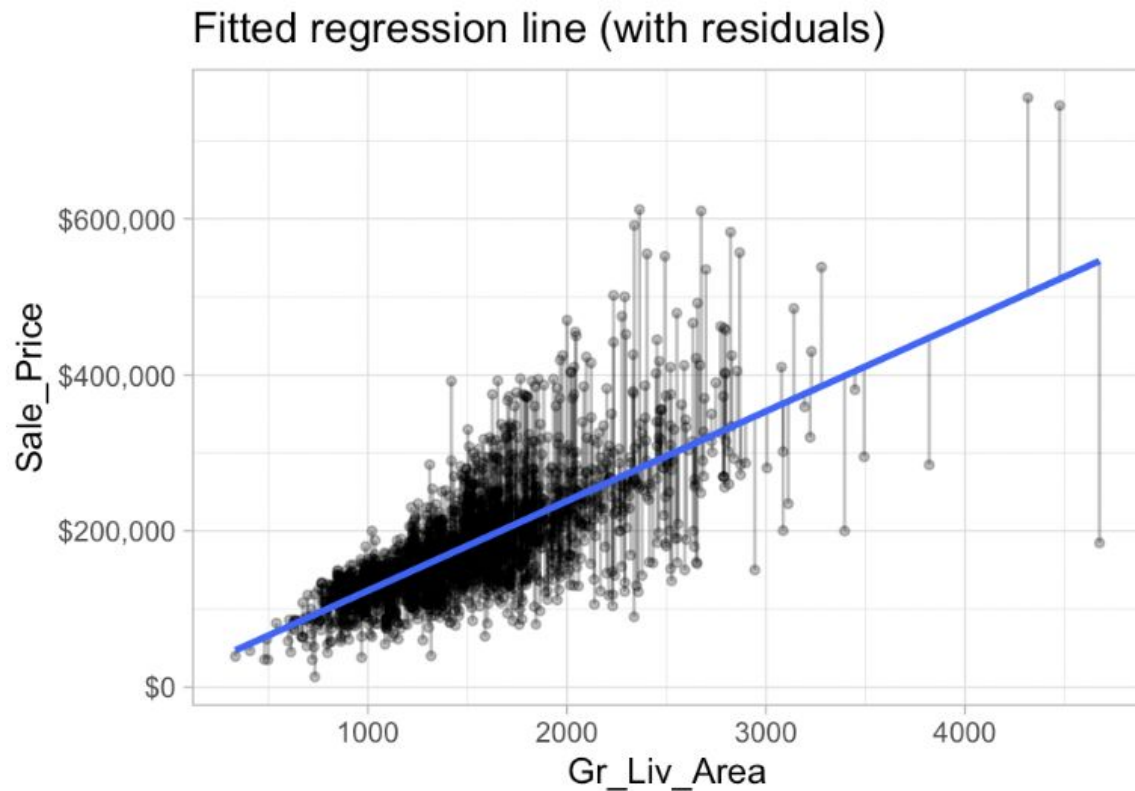
Life Expectancy in Asia



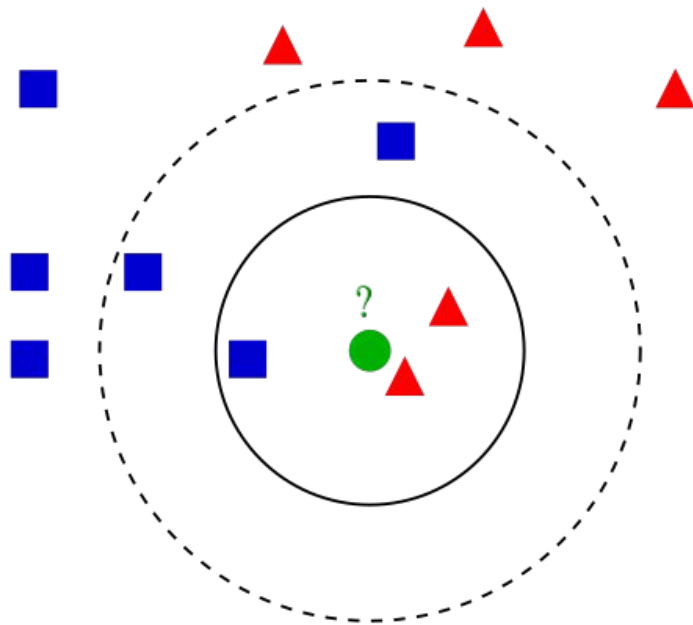
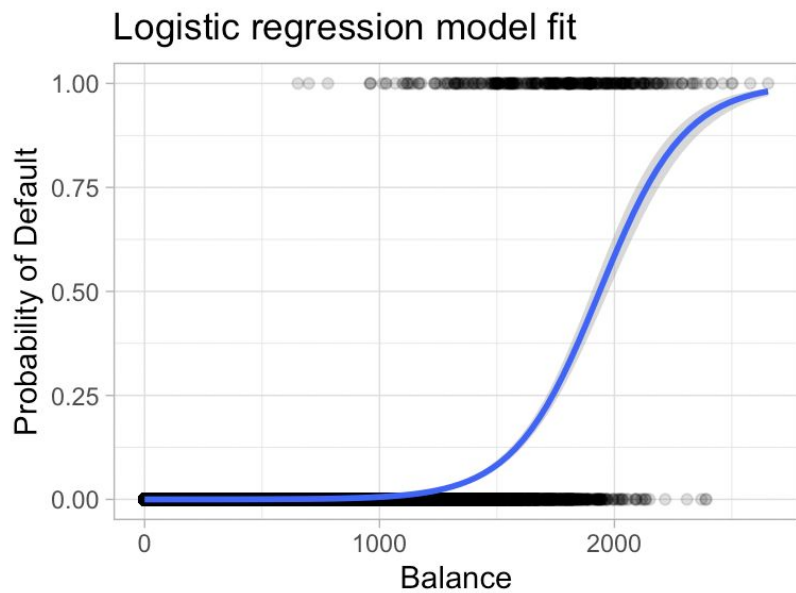
Mammal size and sleep characteristics



Model: Linear Regression



Model: Classification



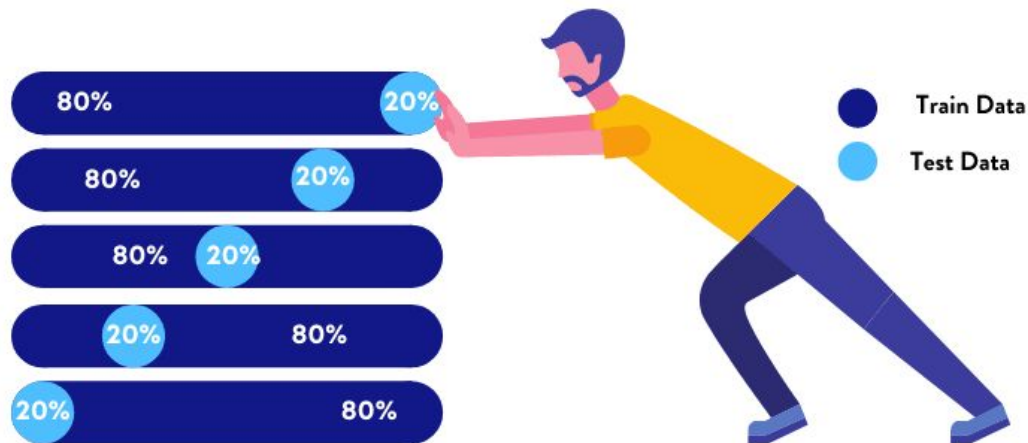
Model: Model Selection and Regularization

- Criteria to evaluate how “good” a machine learning model is
- Forms of Linear Regression and Logistic Regression when you have too many predictors/ independent variables

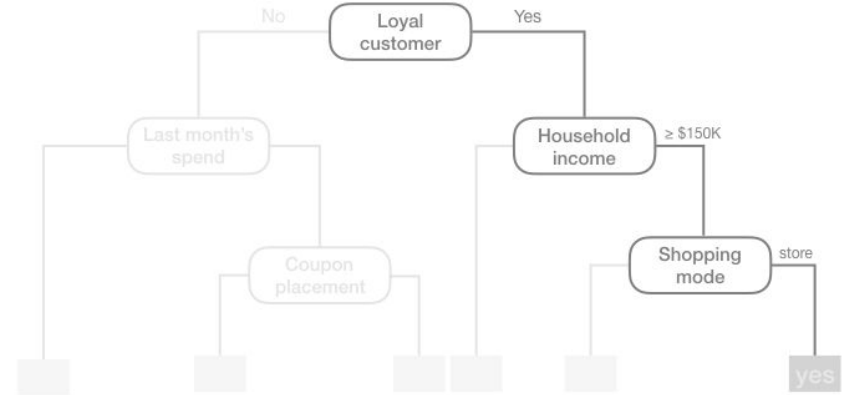
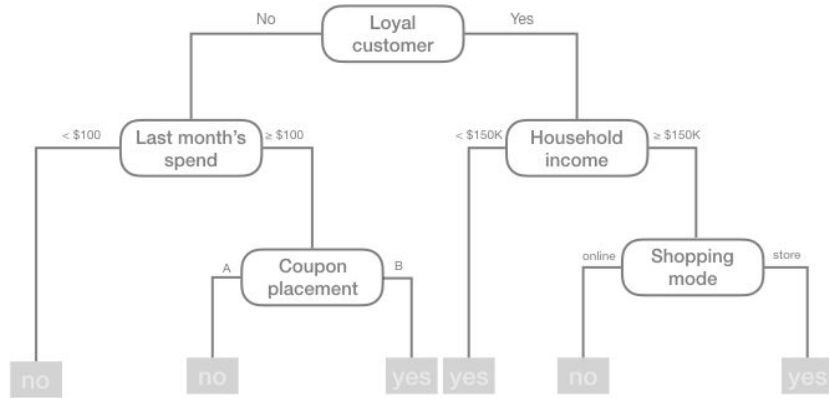


Model: Resampling Methods

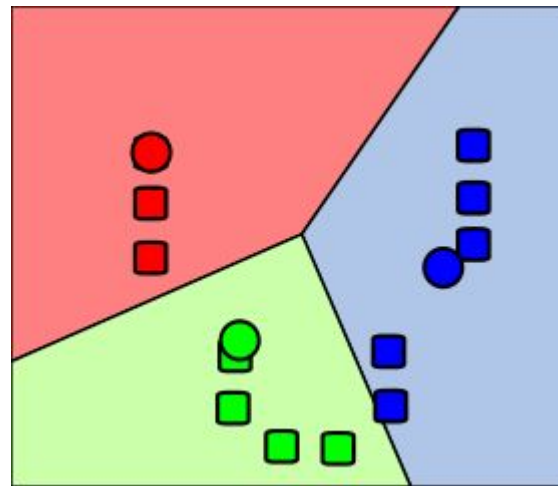
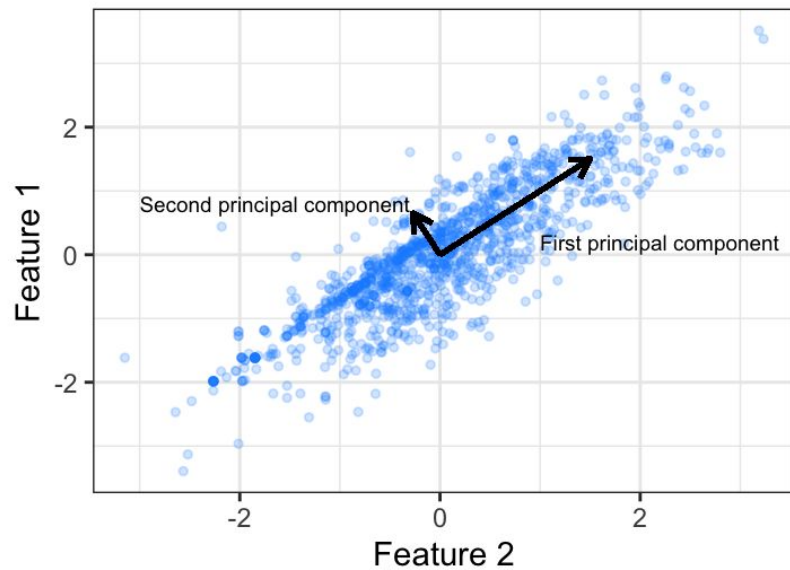
Cross Validation



Model: Tree-Based Methods



Model: Unsupervised Learning



Text Mining: Basics

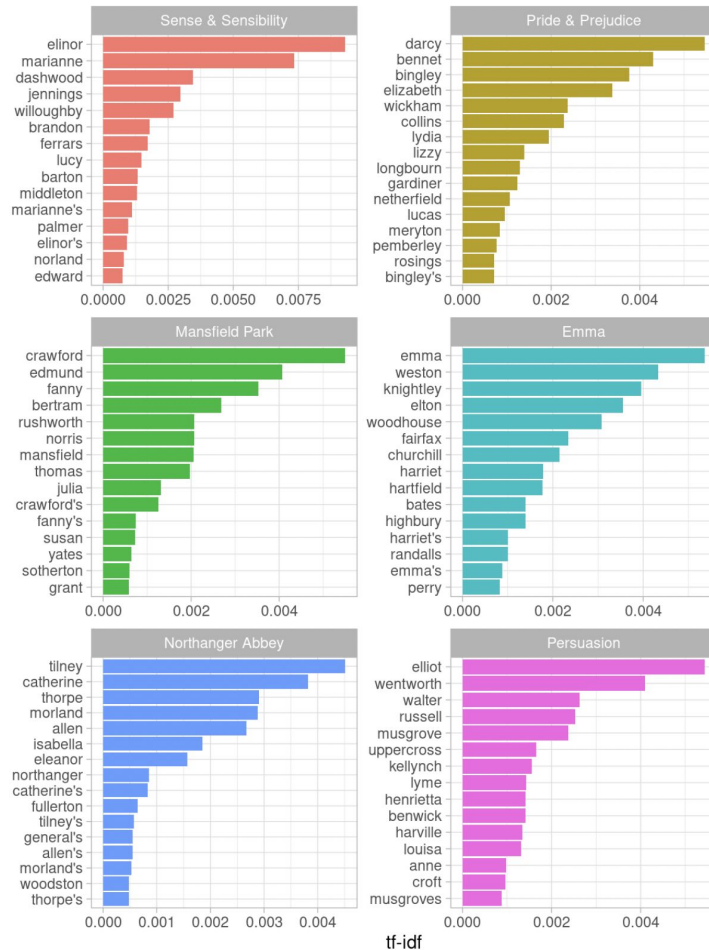


Figure 3.4: Highest tf-idf words in each Jane Austen novel

Text Mining: Sentiment Analysis

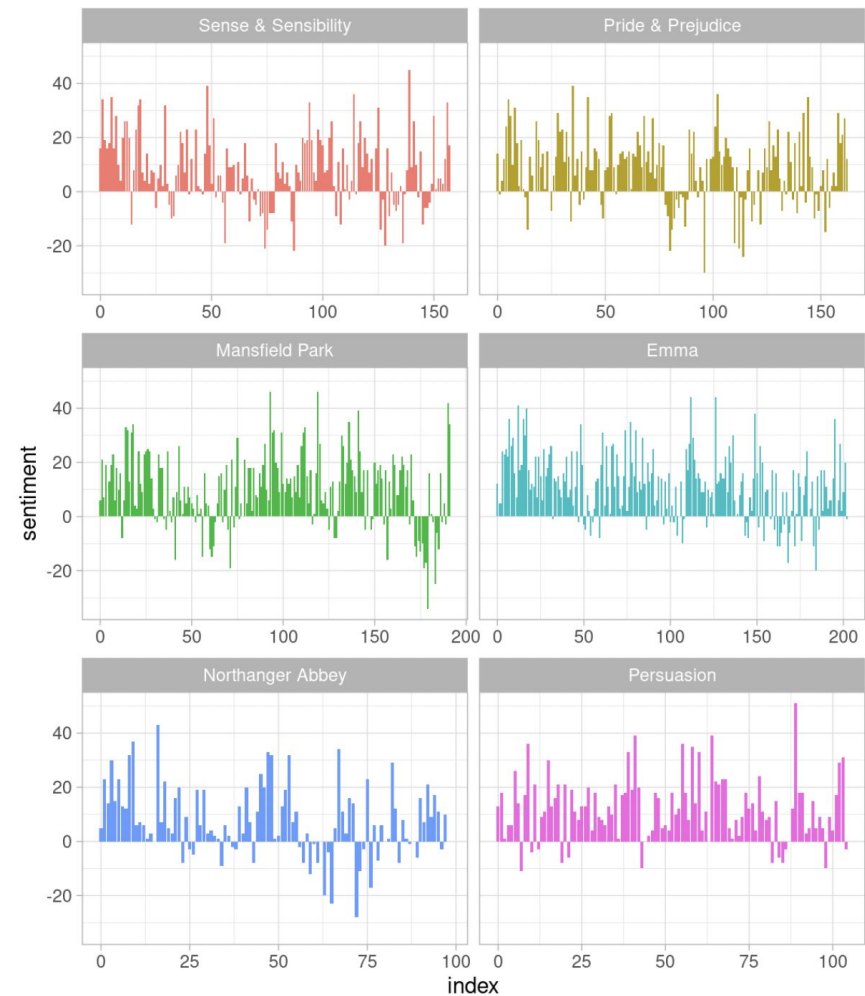


Figure 2.2: Sentiment through the narratives of Jane Austen's novels

Text Mining:

Text Summarization and Information Extraction

Topics

gene 0.04
dna 0.02
genetic 0.01
...

life 0.02
evolve 0.01
organism 0.01
...

brain 0.04
neuron 0.02
nerve 0.01
...

data 0.02
number 0.02
computer 0.01
...

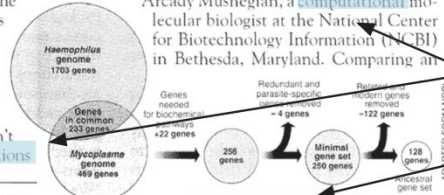
Documents

Seeking Life's Bare (Genetic) Necessities

COLD SPRING HARBOR, NEW YORK—How many **genes** does an **organism** need to **survive**? Last week at the genome meeting here,* two genome researchers with radically different approaches presented complementary views of the basic genes needed for **life**. One research team, using **computer** analyses to compare known **genomes**, concluded that today's **organisms** can be sustained with just 250 genes, and that the earliest life forms required a mere 128 **genes**. The other researcher mapped genes in a simple parasite and estimated that for this organism, 800 genes are plenty to do the job—but that anything short of 100 wouldn't be enough.

Although the numbers don't match precisely, those **predictions**

"are not all that far apart," especially in comparison to the 75,000 **genes** in the human genome, notes Siv Andersson of Uppsala University in Sweden, who arrived at the 800 number. But coming up with a consensus answer may be more than just a **genetic numbers** game, particularly as more and more **genomes** are completely mapped and sequenced. "It may be a way of organizing any newly **sequenced genome**," explains Arcady Mushegian, a **computational** molecular biologist at the National Center for Biotechnology Information (NCBI) in Bethesda, Maryland. Comparing an

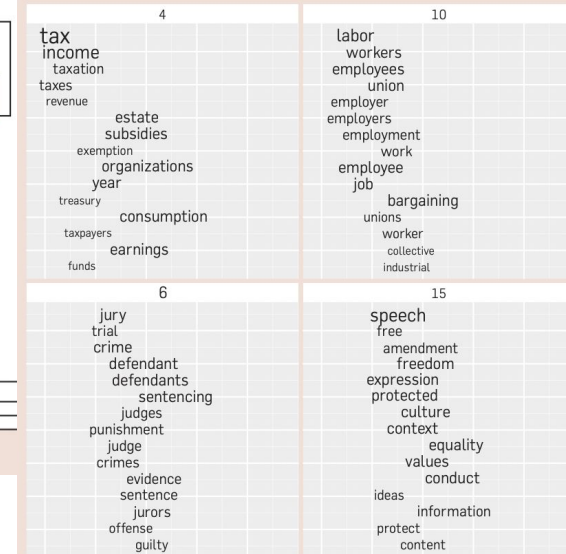


* Genome Mapping and Sequencing, Cold Spring Harbor, New York, May 8 to 12.

Stripping down. **Computer analysis** yields an estimate of the minimum modern and ancient genomes.

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Topic proportions and assignments



Readings

- Most are hands-on materials
 - Read
 - Try the code yourself
 - Tweak the code and see what happens
- Expect familiarity with the reading materials before class
- Clarify and extend in class
- Strongly encourage review and taking notes after class



Output and Assessment

See the syllabus.

R Setup

In-class Exercise 1: Setup R

- Install R
- Install RStudio
- Open RStudio
- Run the following code in R Console

```
install.packages("tidyverse")
```
- Post a screenshot of your Rstudio interface on CampusWire

