MBP intro to statistics bootcamp

Day 1

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Hour	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9-12	Introduction, R, visualization, data	Linear models, testing proportions,			Presentations, exam
12-1	munging	hypothesis tests			
1-3	Group assignment #1	Group assignment #2	Machine learning, Bayesian statistics	Truth and replicabity. Group assignment	
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Grading

Exams (concepts only, no R):

What	When	How much
Short exam	Tuesday	5%
Short exam	Wednesday	5%
Short exam	Thursday	5%
Final exam	Friday	35%

Group assignments and presentations (R analyses and concepts):

What	Due when	How much
Group assignment #1	Tuesday	10%
Group assignment #2	Wednesday	10%
Group assignment #3	Friday	10%
Final presentation	Friday	20%

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Sample questions:

Describe the null hypothesis

Identify elements of a box and whiskers plot (on a drawing)

Discuss analysis pre-registration advantages and disadvantages

TRUE/FALSE: if you compute a 95% confidence interval, you have a 95% chance of it containing the true value



Group assignments

- split into small groups of 3-4.
- we will assign groups.
- will try to mix groups by R and programming expertise.
- each group will be graded as a unit.
- final presentation given by a member of the group with least R/programming expertise.

Let's get started

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Ups and downs of R

- 1. Open source, free, and powerful.
- 2. If a statistical test exists, it likely exists in R.
- 3. Literate programming/self documenting analyses.
- 4. Very strong in bioinformatics.
- 5. Steeper learning curve.

Intro to R

Over to Mehran

Reading and summarizing our data

Intro to our dataset

How do our brains change as we learn or undergo new experiences?

Earliest evidence that our brains are *plastic* at larger, or *mesoscopic*, scales came from a study of taxi drivers in London, UK.

Mechanism of how that happens is unclear.







y = -33



y = -27



y = -20



Mouse models

We can create taxi driving mice.

Use high-field MRI to get similar readout as in humans.

Use genetic models to test hypotheses of implicated pathways.

Use RNA sequencing to assess what changes per genotype or experimental group.



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A separate cohort of mice was used for the RNA-seq experiment (but we'll get to that later in the course).

Enrichment



Reading data

A surprising amount of time in data analysis is spent in prepping data for visualization and analysis.

```
library(tidvverse)
library(forcats)
mice <- read csv("mice.csv")</pre>
## Parsed with column specification:
## cols(
   Age = col_double(),
##
   Sex = col_character(),
##
    Condition = col_character(),
##
    Mouse.Genotyping = col_character(),
##
     ID = col_integer(),
##
    Timepoint = col_character(),
##
##
     Genotype = col_character(),
     DaysOfEE = col_integer(),
##
     DaysOfEE0 = col_integer()
##
## )
```

Meet the mice

str(mice, give.attr=FALSE)

##	Cla	asses 'tbl_df',	'tk	ol'	and 'data.frame': 1392 obs. of 9 variables:
##	\$	Age	:	num	8.5 8.5 8.5 9.5 9.5 8.5 8.5 9.5 8.5 9.5
##	\$	Sex	:	chr	"M" "M" "M"
##	\$	Condition	:	chr	"Enriched" "Standard" "Standard" "Enriched"
##	\$	Mouse.Genotypi	ng:	chr	"Heterozygous" "Heterozygous" "Heterozygous" "W
##	\$	ID	:	int	901 899 898 891 893 901 899 889 898 895
##	\$	Timepoint	:	chr	"Pre1" "Pre1" "Pre1"
##	\$	Genotype	:	chr	"CREB +/-" "CREB +/-" "CREB +/-" "CREB +/+"
##	\$	DaysOfEE	:	int	-4 -4 -4 -4 -3 -3 -3 -3 -3
##	\$	DaysOfEE0	:	int	$0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 \dots$

Numeric variable: age

mice %>%
 summarise(mean=mean(Age),
 min=min(Age),
 max=max(Age))

mean	min	max
6.58	3.1	10.1

Intro to pipes?

Factors: Sex, Condition, Genotype

mice	%>%	
gro	<pre>oup_by(Sex)</pre>	%>%
sun	nmarise(n=n	())

mice %>%
group_by(Genotype) %>%
summarize(n=n())

Sex	n
F	543
М	849

Genotype	n
CREB -/-	426
CREB +/-	486
CREB +/+	480

Subject descriptors: ID and Timepoint

mice %>%
 select(ID, Timepoint) %>%
 head

ID	Timepoint
901	Pre1
899	Pre1
898	Pre1
891	Pre1
893	Pre1
901	Pre2
Alternate encodings: Genotype

mice %>%
 select(Genotype, Mouse.Genotyping) %>%
 head

Genotype	Mouse.Genotyping
CREB +/-	Heterozygous
CREB +/-	Heterozygous
CREB +/-	Heterozygous
CREB +/+	Wildtype
CREB +/+	Wildtype
CREB +/-	Heterozygous

Alternate encodings: Days of EE, DaysofEEO

```
mice %>%
filter(ID == 901) %>%
select(Timepoint, DaysOfEE, DaysOfEE0) %>%
head
```

Timepoint	DaysOfEE	DaysOfEE0
Pre1	-4	0
Pre2	-3	0
24h	1	1
48h	2	2
1 week	8	8
2 week	16	16

Overview of subject numbers

with(mice,
 ftable(Condition, Genotype, Timepoint))

##			Timepoint	1 w	<i>l</i> eek	2	week	24h	48h	Pre1	Pre2
##	Condition	Genotype									
##	Enriched	CREB -/-			24		25	7	24	24	24
##		CREB +/-			30		33	12	34	30	33
##		CREB +/+			27		30	8	30	27	28
##	Exercise	CREB -/-			22		21	0	21	20	18
##		CREB +/-			17		18	0	18	17	15
##		CREB +/+			19		19	0	19	19	16
##	Isolated Standard	CREB -/-			14		14	0	14	13	14
##		CREB +/-			12		12	0	12	11	12
##		CREB +/+			17		17	0	17	17	14
##	Standard	CREB -/-			23		26	4	26	25	23
##		CREB +/-			29		34	9	34	32	32
##		CREB +/+			28		31	6	31	31	29

Factors, revisited

The Timepoint order makes no sense. Let's reorder

##			Timepoint	Prel	Pre2	24h	48h	1 week	2 week	
##	Condition	Genotype								
##	Enriched	CREB -/-		24	24	7	24	24	25	
##		CREB +/-		30	33	12	34	30	33	
##		CREB +/+		27	28	8	30	27	30	
##	Exercise	CREB -/-		20	18	0	21	22	21	
##		CREB +/-		17	15	0	18	17	18	
##		CREB +/+		19	16	0	19	19	19	
##	Isolated Standard	CREB -/-		13	14	0	14	14	14	
##		CREB +/-		11	12	0	12	12	12	
##		CREB +/+		17	14	0	17	17	17	
##	Standard	CREB -/-		25	23	4	26	23	26	
##		CREB +/-		32	32	9	34	29	34	
##		CREB +/+		31	29	6	31	28	31 25 /	63

Redo in tidyverse

mice %>%

group_by(Condition, Genotype, Timepoint) %>%
summarise(n=n()) %>% spread(Timepoint, value=n)

A tibble: 12 x 8

Groups: Condition, Genotype [12]

##		Condition	Genotype	Pre1	Pre2	`24h`	`48h`	`1 week`	`2 week`
##		<chr></chr>	<chr></chr>	<int></int>	<int></int>	<int></int>	<int></int>	<int></int>	<int></int>
##	1	Enriched	CREB -/-	24	24	7	24	24	25
##	2	Enriched	CREB +/-	30	33	12	34	30	33
##	3	Enriched	CREB +/+	27	28	8	30	27	30
##	4	Exercise	CREB -/-	20	18	NA	21	22	21
##	5	Exercise	CREB +/-	17	15	NA	18	17	18
##	6	Exercise	CREB +/+	19	16	NA	19	19	19
##	7	Isolated Standard	CREB -/-	13	14	NA	14	14	14
##	8	Isolated Standard	CREB +/-	11	12	NA	12	12	12
##	9	Isolated Standard	CREB +/+	17	14	NA	17	17	17
##	10	Standard	CREB -/-	25	23	4	26	23	26
##	11	Standard	CREB +/-	32	32	9	34	29	34
##	12	Standard	CREB +/+	31	29	6	31	28	31

Reading more data

```
volumes <- read_csv("volumes.csv")</pre>
```

```
## Parsed with column specification:
## cols(
## .default = col_double(),
## ID = col_integer(),
## Timepoint = col_character()
## )
```

See spec(...) for full column specifications.

Inspecting the new data

str(volumes)

##	Classes 'tbl_df', 'tbl' and 'data.frame':	1392 obs. (of 161 variables:
##	\$ amygdala	: 1	num 9.84 10.3 10.5
##	<pre>\$ anterior commissure: pars anterior</pre>	: 1	num 1.42 1.48 1.5
##	<pre>\$ anterior commissure: pars posterior</pre>	: 1	num 0.392 0.428 0.
##	\$ basal forebrain	: 1	num 4.72 4.96 4.93
##	<pre>\$ bed nucleus of stria terminalis</pre>	: 1	num 1.24 1.31 1.28
##	<pre>\$ cerebellar peduncle: inferior</pre>	: 1	num 0.908 0.967 0.
##	<pre>\$ cerebellar peduncle: middle</pre>	: 1	num 1.23 1.31 1.26
##	<pre>\$ cerebellar peduncle: superior</pre>	: 1	num 0.991 0.848 0.
##	\$ cerebral aqueduct	: 1	num 0.373 0.44 0.4
##	\$ cerebral peduncle	: 1	num 2.58 2.54 2.6
##	<pre>\$ colliculus: inferior</pre>	: 1	num 5.46 5.6 5.34
##	<pre>\$ colliculus: superior</pre>	: 1	num 9.52 9.83 9.37
##	\$ corpus callosum	: 1	num 14.1 14.3 14 1
##	<pre>\$ corticospinal tract/pyramids</pre>	: 1	num 1.59 1.59 1.56
##	\$ cuneate nucleus	: 1	num 0.27 0.254 0.2
##	<pre>\$ dentate gyrus of hippocampus</pre>	: 1	num 3.96 3.92 3.95
##	\$ facial nerve (cranial nerve 7)	: 1	num 0.221 0.233 0.
##	\$ fasciculus retroflexus	: 1	num 0.214 0 _{.2} 212.0.
##	\$ fimbria	: 1	num 2.67 2.9 2.73

Linking data

volumes %>%
 select(ID, Timepoint) %>%
 head

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se	lect(ID,	Timepoint)	%>%
hea	ad		

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901	Pre2

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901	Pre2

Joining data

```
mice <- mice %>%
    inner_join(volumes)
```

Joining, by = c("ID", "Timepoint")

Warning: Column `Timepoint` joining factor and character vector, coercing
into character vector

str(mice)

##	Classes 'tbl_df', 'tbl' and 'data.frame':	1392 obs. of	168 variables:
##	\$ Age	: num	8.5 8.5 8.5 9.
##	\$ Sex	: chr	"M" "M" "M" "M
##	\$ Condition	: chr	"Enriched" "St
##	\$ Mouse.Genotyping	: chr	"Heterozygous"
##	\$ ID	: int	901 899 898 89
##	\$ Timepoint	: chr	"Pre1" "Pre1"
##	\$ Genotype	: chr	"CREB +/-" "CF
##	\$ DaysOfEE	: int	-4 -4 -4 -4 -4
##	\$ DaysOfEE0	: int	$\bigcirc \bigcirc $
##	\$ amygdala	: num	9.84 1003/ 10.5

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Your task for later will be to look at the interesting variables in this dataset. For now, we will look at sex and the brain instead.

Histogram

```
ggplot(mice) +
   aes(x=`bed nucleus of stria terminalis`) +
   geom_histogram()
```

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



Make it prettier

```
ggplot(mice) +
  aes(x=`bed nucleus of stria terminalis`) +
  geom_histogram() +
  xlab(bquote(Volume ~ (mm^3))) +
  ggtitle("Bed nucleus of stria terminalis") +
  theme_gray(16)
```

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Bed nucleus of stria terminalis

Histogram bins

```
ggplot(mice) +
  aes(x=`bed nucleus of stria terminalis`) +
  geom_histogram(binwidth = 0.01) +
  xlab(bquote(Volume ~ (mm^3))) +
  ggtitle("Bed nucleus of stria terminalis") +
  theme_gray(16)
```





Facets

```
ggplot(mice) +
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   geom_histogram(binwidth = 0.01) +
   xlab(bquote(Volume ~ (mm^3))) +
   ggtitle("Bed nucleus of stria terminalis") +
   theme_gray(16) +
   facet_grid(Sex ~ .)
```



Colours







Points

```
ggplot(mice) +
  aes(x=Sex, y=`bed nucleus of stria terminalis`) +
  geom_point() +
  ggtitle("Bed nucleus of stria terminalis",
            subtitle="Across all timepoints and genotypes") +
  ylab(bquote(Volume ~ (mm^3))) +
  theme_classic(16)
```



Points

That's not very useful - too many points to see separation.





Boxplot

Good view of data distribution

```
ggplot(mice) +
  aes(x=Sex, y=`bed nucleus of stria terminalis`) +
  geom_boxplot() +
  ggtitle("Bed nucleus of stria terminalis",
            subtitle="Across all timepoints and genotypes") +
  ylab(bquote(Volume ~ (mm^3))) +
  theme_classic(16)
```



Ridge lines

```
suppressMessages(library(ggridges))
ggplot(mice) +
   aes(y=Sex, x=`bed nucleus of stria terminalis`) +
   geom_density_ridges() +
   ggtitle("Bed nucleus of stria terminalis",
        subtitle="Across all timepoints and genotypes") +
   xlab(bquote(Volume ~ (mm^3))) +
   theme_classic(16)
```

Picking joint bandwidth of 0.0132

Violins

```
ggplot(mice) +
  aes(x=Sex, y=`bed nucleus of stria terminalis`) +
  geom_violin() +
  ggtitle("Bed nucleus of stria terminalis",
            subtitle="Across all timepoints and genotypes") +
  ylab(bquote(Volume ~ (mm^3))) +
  theme_classic(16)
```



Combining plot types



Adding colour

```
ggplot(mice) +
    aes(x=Sex,
        y=`bed nucleus of stria terminalis`,
        colour=Sex) +
    geom_boxplot() +
    geom_jitter(width=0.2,
            alpha=0.2) +
    ggtitle("Bed nucleus of stria terminalis",
            subtitle="Across all timepoints and genotypes") +
    ylab(bquote(
        Volume ~ (mm^3))) +
    theme_classic(16)
```

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    aes(x=Sex,
        y=`bed nucleus of stria terminalis`,
        colour=Timepoint) +
    geom_boxplot() +
    geom_jitter(alpha=0.2,
            position = position_jitterdodge(jitter.width = 0.2)) +
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   ggtitle("Bed nucleus of stria terminalis",
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   ylab(bquote(Volume ~ (mm^3))) +
   scale_colour_viridis_d(option="C", end=0.8) +
   theme_classic(16)
```



Factor order, again

Apparently the factor ordering was lost in data joining?

```
mice <- mice %>%
 mutate(Timepoint=fct_relevel(Timepoint, "Pre1", "Pre2", "24h",
                               "48h", "1 week", "2 week"))
ggplot(mice) +
  aes(x=Sex,
      y=`bed nucleus of stria terminalis`,
      colour=Timepoint) +
  geom_boxplot() +
  geom_jitter(alpha=0.2,
              position = position_jitterdodge(jitter.width = 0.2)) +
  ggtitle("Bed nucleus of stria terminalis",
          subtitle="Across all genotypes") +
  ylab(bquote(Volume ~ (mm^3))) +
  scale_colour_viridis_d(option="C", end=0.8) +
  theme classic(16)
```

Factor ordering, again



Better encoding of time

Better encoding of time


Combining colours and facets

Combining colours and facets



Adding lines

```
ggplot(mice) +
 aes(x=DaysOfEE,
     y=`bed nucleus of stria terminalis`,
     colour=Sex) +
geom_boxplot(aes(group=interaction(Timepoint, Sex))) +
geom_jitter(alpha=0.25, position =
               position_jitterdodge(jitter.width = 0.2)) +
stat_summary(fun.y = median, geom="line",
              position =
                position_jitterdodge(jitter.width = 0.2)) +
vlab(bquote(Volume ~ (mm^3))) +
xlab("Days of enrichment") +
ggtitle("Bed nucleus of stria terminalis",
         subtitle = "Change over time") +
facet_grid(Genotype ~ .) +
theme_classic(16)
```

Adding lines



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The Implementation:

- rmarkdown
 - simple markup language for text
 - code embedded in document
 - documents are compiled or knitted - to produce output html or pdf
- Great alternative: Jupyter

Assignment

Group assignment number 1

- 1. Assemble into your assigned teams.
- 2. Ensure that RStudio is running and you can load all required libraries.
- 3. Load the required data
- 4. Create an rmarkdown document that contains the following:
 - 1. A summary table of the subject numbers per timepoint, genotype, and condition
 - 2. Visualization(s) of the difference in hippocampal volume by Genotype at the final timepoint.
 - 3. Visualization(s) of the difference in hippocampal volume by Condition at the final timepoint.
 - 4. Visualization(s) of the change over time by Condition and Genotype.
- 5. Make sure that all team members are listed as authors.
- 6. Any questions: ask here in person, or email us (jason.lerch@utoronto.ca, mehran.karimzadehreghbati@mail.utoronto.ca) and we promise to answer quickly.