Statistical Computing and Graphical Analysis

Stat 408





Today's Class

- Course Description
- Syllabus
- Resources
- R-Review
- R-Projects
- R-Packages
- R & R-Studio Installations + Introductions

WARNING: PROGRAMMING IS FRUSTRATING

- Computers do exactly what we tell them to do, not what we're thinking they should do
- Lots of finicky little conventions must be memorized
- Fun part is to get it to do new and beautiful things. There is a reward in the end. Computers are fast and accurate.

Keys to Success

- Stay organized. Create a folder for STAT 408, subfolders as needed for notes, homework, ...
- R-Projects is a great way to facilitate your organization

R IS:

- A programming environment
- A way to run stat analyses
- Built of functions and objects
- Great at making complex plots (not necessarily easy)
- A project involving work from hundreds of people
- Rapidly expanding.

Install Packages: Tidyverse

- The tidyverse contains dplyr, ggplot2 and a set of other useful R packages.
- Most of the packages in the tidyverse were created by Hadley Wickham.
- The tidyverse is a modern way to express R code for data wrangling, storage, and visualization.

install vs library

- install.packages("package.name") loads the content into R
- library(package.name) tells are to unpack and use the contents

