

## Week 8: Optimization & MLE

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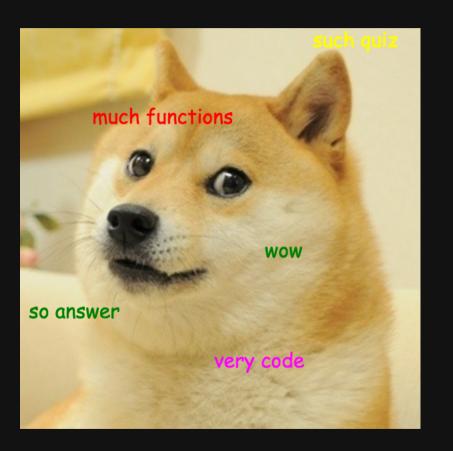
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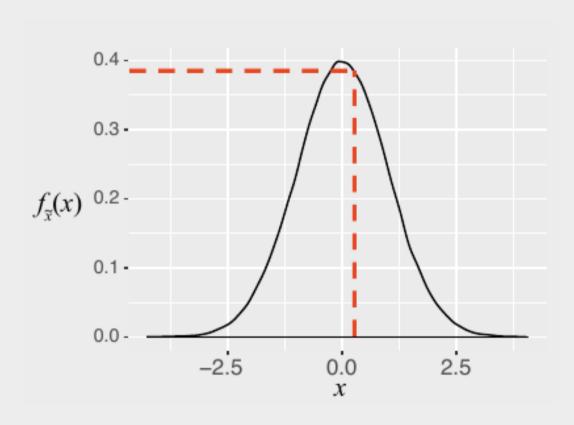
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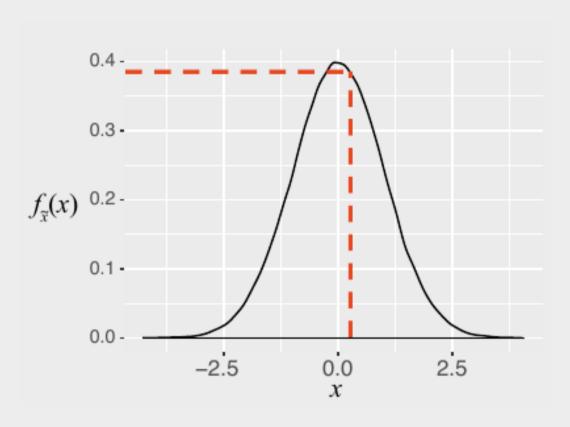
## Computing the likelihood



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 $\mathcal{L}(\theta|x)$ : probability that  $\theta$  are the true parameters, given that observed x

We want to estimate  $\theta$ 

# We actually compute the *log*-likelihood (converts multiplication to addition)

$$\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{\theta}|\mathbf{x}) = f_{\tilde{x}}(x_1) f_{\tilde{x}}(x_2) ... f_{\tilde{x}}(x_n) = 1.63e-6$$

$$\log \mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{\theta}|\mathbf{x}) = f_{\tilde{x}}(x_1) + f_{\tilde{x}}(x_2) + \dots + f_{\tilde{x}}(x_n) = 3$$

## **Practice Question 1**

**Observations** - Height of students (inches):

```
#> [1] 65 69 66 67 68 72 68 69 63 70
```

- a) Let's say we know that the height of students,  $\tilde{x}$ , in a classroom follows a normal distribution. A professor obtains the above height measurements students in her classroom. What is the log-likelihood that  $\tilde{x}\sim\mathcal{N}(68,4)$ ? In other words, compute  $\ln\mathcal{L}(\mu=68,\sigma=4)$ .
- b) Compute the log-likelihood function using the same standard deviation  $(\sigma=4)$  but with the following different values for the mean,  $\mu:66,67,68,69,70$ . How do the results compare? Which value for  $\mu$  produces the highest log-likelihood?

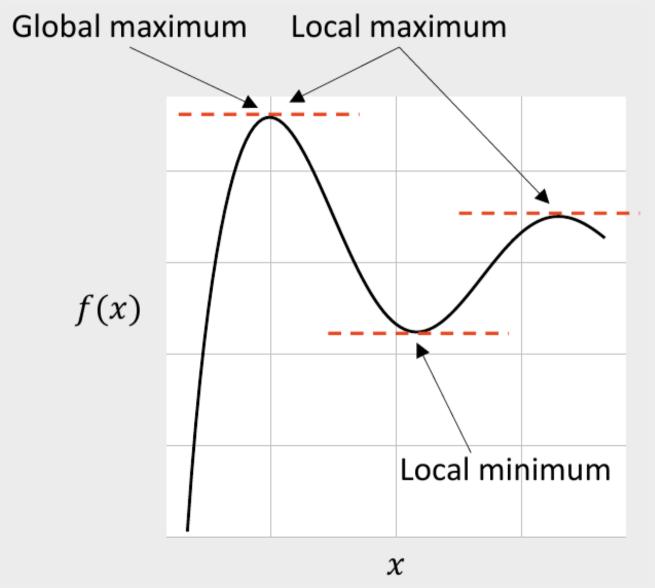
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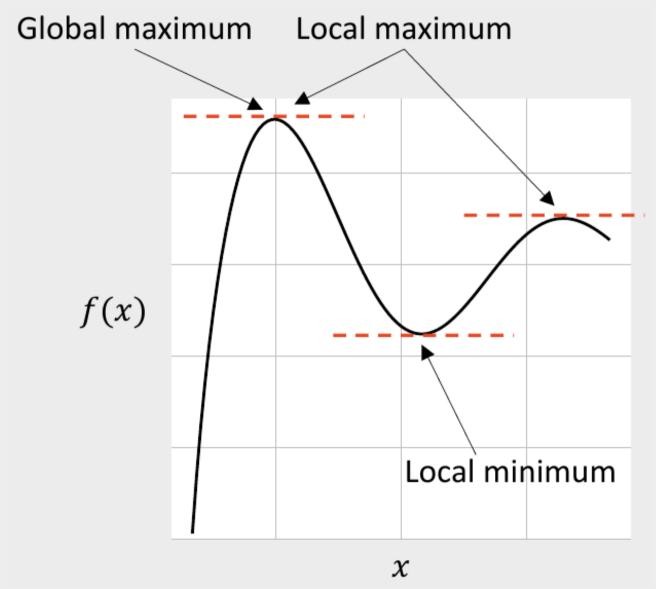
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f(x)



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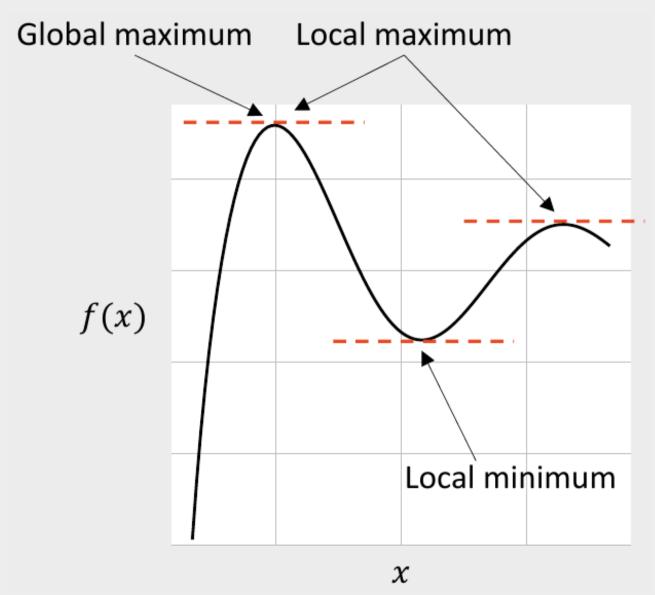
$$\frac{df(x^*)}{dx} = 0$$

Second order sufficiency condition  $x^*$  is a local *maximum* when

$$\frac{d^2f(x^*)}{dx^2} < 0$$

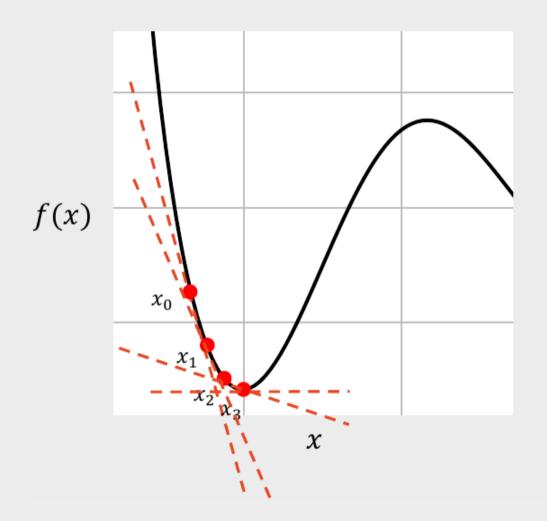
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#### Optimality conditions for local **minimum**

| Number of dimensions | First order condition  | Second order condition   | Example                 |
|----------------------|--|--|-------------------------|
| One                  | $\frac{df(x^*)}{dx} = 0$   | $\frac{d^2f(x^*)}{dx^2} > 0$   |                         |
|                      | "Gradient" $\nabla f(x_1, x_2, x_n)$   | "Hessian" $\nabla^2 f(x_1, x_2, \dots x_n)$  |                         |
| Multiple             | $= \left[\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_2}, \dots, \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_n}\right]$ $= \begin{bmatrix} 0, 0, \dots, 0 \end{bmatrix}$ | $= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_1^2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_n \partial x_1} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_1 \partial x_n} & \cdots & \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_n^2} \end{bmatrix}$ | 0 2 2                   |
|                      |  | Must be "positive definite"  | $x_1$ $x_2$ $x_2$ $x_3$ |



#### **Gradient Descent Method:**

- 1. Choose a starting point,  $x_0$
- 2. At that point, compute the gradient,  $\nabla f(x_0)$
- 3. Compute the next point, with a step size  $\gamma$ :

$$x_{n+1} = x_n - \gamma \nabla f(x_n)$$

Very small

\*Stop when  $\nabla f(x_n) < \delta^{\checkmark}$  number or

\*Stop when  $(x_{n+1} - x_n) < \delta$ 

## Practice Question 2

Consider the following function:

$$f(x) = x^2 - 6x$$

The gradient is:

$$\nabla f(x) = 2x - 6$$

Using the starting point x=1 and the step size  $\gamma=0.3$ , apply the gradient descent method to compute the next **three** points in the search algorithm.

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## Practice Question 3

Consider the following function:

$$f(\underline{x}) = x_1^2 + 4x_2^2$$

The gradient is:

$$abla f(\underline{x}) = egin{bmatrix} 2x_1 \ 8x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Using the starting point  $\underline{x}_0=[1,1]$  and the step size  $\gamma=0.15$ , apply the gradient descent method to compute the next **three** points in the search algorithm.

Download the logitr-cars repo from GitHub

## Estimating utility models

- 1. Open logitr-cars. Rproj
- 2. Open code/3.1-model-mnl.R

### Maximum likelihood estimation

$$\tilde{u}_{j} = v_{j} + \tilde{\varepsilon}_{j}$$

$$= \beta_{1}x_{j1} + \beta_{2}x_{j2} + \dots + \tilde{\varepsilon}_{j}$$

$$= \beta'\mathbf{x}_{j} + \tilde{\varepsilon}_{j}$$

Estimate  $\beta = [\beta_1, \beta_2, ..., \beta_n]$ by maximizing the likelihood function

minimize 
$$-log\mathcal{L} = -\sum_{j=1}^{J} P_j(\boldsymbol{\beta}|\mathbf{x})^{y_j}$$

with respect to  $\beta$ 

 $y_j = 1$  if alternative j was chosen  $y_j = 0$  if alternative j was not chosen

For logit model:

$$P_{j} = \frac{e^{v_{j}}}{\sum_{k=1}^{J} e^{v_{k}}} = \frac{e^{\beta' x_{j}}}{\sum_{k=1}^{J} e^{\beta' x_{k}}}$$

## Break



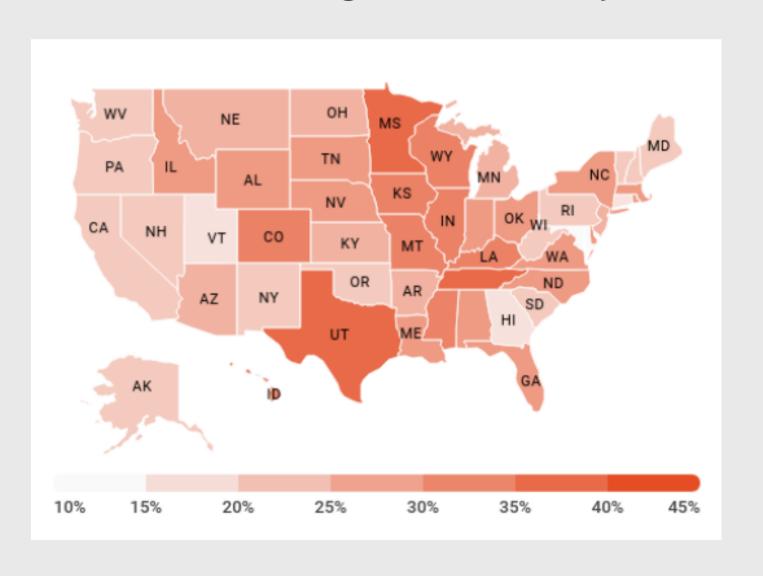
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## What's wrong with this map?



#### Likely culprit: Merging two columns

```
head(names)
```

```
head(abbs)
```

```
result <- cbind(names, abbs)
head(result)</pre>
```

#### Joins

#> 3 Paul Beatles

```
1. inner_join()
2. left_join() / right_join()
3. full_join()
```

Example: band\_members & band\_instruments

```
band_members

#> # A tibble: 3 × 2
#> name band
#> <chr> <chr> #> 1 Mick Stones
#> 2 John Beatles

band_instruments

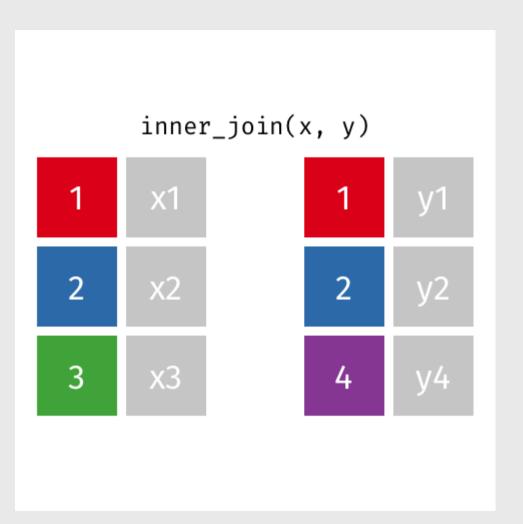
#> # A tibble: 3 × 2
#> name plays
#> <chr> +> 2 Paul bass
#> 2 Paul bass
```

#> 3 Keith guitar

## inner\_join()

```
band_members %>%
  inner_join(band_instruments)
```

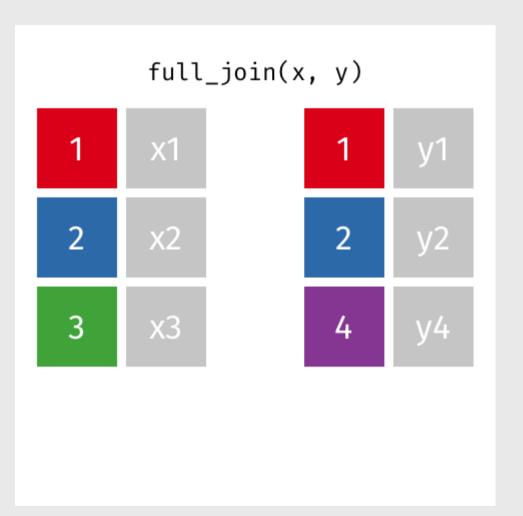
```
#> # A tibble: 2 × 3
#> name band plays
#> <chr> <chr> #> 1 John Beatles guitar
#> 2 Paul Beatles bass
```



## full\_join()

```
band_members %>%
  full_join(band_instruments)
```

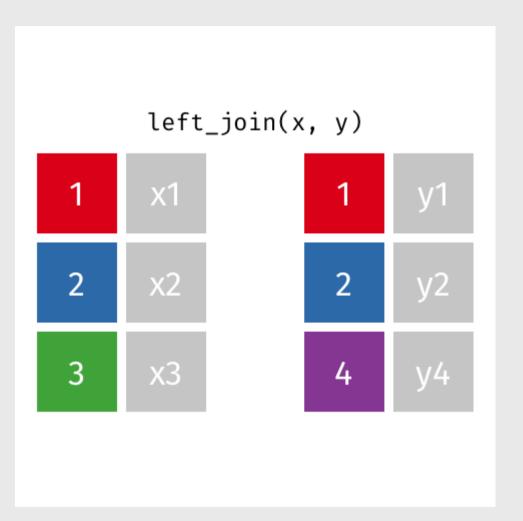
```
#> # A tibble: 4 × 3
#> name band plays
#> <chr> <chr> <chr>
#> 1 Mick Stones <NA>
#> 2 John Beatles guitar
#> 3 Paul Beatles bass
#> 4 Keith <NA> guitar
```



## left\_join()

```
band_members %>%
  left_join(band_instruments)
```

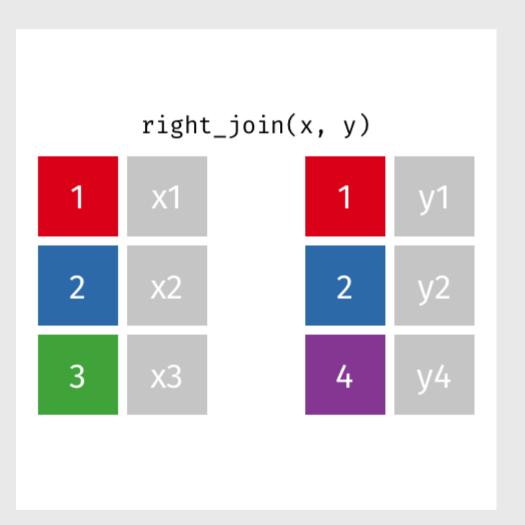
```
#> # A tibble: 3 × 3
#> name band plays
#> <chr> <chr> <chr> #> 1 Mick Stones <NA>
#> 2 John Beatles guitar
#> 3 Paul Beatles bass
```



## right\_join()

```
band_members %>%
    right_join(band_instruments)
```

```
#> # A tibble: 3 × 3
#> name band plays
#> <chr> <chr> <chr> #> 1 John Beatles guitar
#> 2 Paul Beatles bass
#> 3 Keith <NA> guitar
```



### Specify the joining variable name

```
band_members %>%
  left_join(band_instruments)

#> Joining with `by = join_by(name)`
```

```
#> # A tibble: 3 × 3
#> name band plays
#> <chr> <chr> <chr> #> 1 Mick Stones <NA>
#> 2 John Beatles guitar
#> 3 Paul Beatles bass
```

```
#> # A tibble: 3 × 3
#> name band plays
#> <chr> <chr> <chr>
#> 1 Mick Stones <NA>
#> 2 John Beatles guitar
#> 3 Paul Beatles bass
```

### Specify the joining variable name

If the names differ, use by = c("left\_name" = "joining\_name")

```
band_members

#> # A tibble: 3 × 2
#> name band
#> <chr> <chr>
#> 1 Mick Stones
#> 2 John Beatles
#> 3 Paul Beatles

band_instruments2
```

```
#> # A tibble: 3 × 2
#> artist plays
#> <chr> <chr>
#> 1 John guitar
#> 2 Paul bass
#> 3 Keith guitar
```

```
#> # A tibble: 3 × 3
#> name band plays
#> <chr> <chr> <chr> #> 1 Mick Stones <NA>
#> 2 John Beatles guitar
#> 3 Paul Beatles bass
```

### Specify the joining variable name

Or just rename the joining variable in a pipe

```
band_members

#> # A tibble: 3 × 2
#> name band
#> <chr> <chr>
#> 1 Mick Stones
#> 2 John Beatles
#> 3 Paul Beatles
band_instruments2
```

```
#> # A tibble: 3 × 3
#> artist band plays
#> <chr> <chr> <chr> #> 1 Mick Stones <NA>
#> 2 John Beatles guitar
#> 3 Paul Beatles bass
```

#### Your turn

1) Create a new data frame called state\_data by joining the state\_abbs and state\_regions data frames. The result should be a data frame with variables state\_name, state\_abb, and state\_region. It should look like this:

#### head(state\_data)

```
\#>\# A tibble: 6\times 3
     state name state abb state region
     <chr>
                           <chr>
                 <chr>
   1 Alabama
                           Southeast
                           Pacific
   2 Alaska
     Arizona
                           Mountain
#> 4 Arkansas
                           Delta States
  5 California CA
                           Pacific
#> 6 Colorado
                           Mountain
```

2) Join the state\_data data frame to the wildlife\_impacts data frame, adding the variables state\_region and state\_name.

#### glimpse(wildlife\_impacts)

```
#> Rows: 56,978
#> Columns: 23
                                                        <chr> "FL", "IN", NA, NA, NA, "FL", "FL", NA, NA, "FL",
#> $ state abb
                                                        <chr> "Florida", "Indiana", NA, NA, NA, "Florida", "Flo
#> $ state name
                                                        <chr> "Southeast", "Corn Belt", NA, NA, NA, "Southeast"
#> $ state region
                                                        <dttm> 2018-12-31, 2018-12-29, 2018-12-29, 2018-12-27,
#> $ incident date
                                                        <chr> "KMIA", "KIND", "ZZZZ", "ZZZZ", "ZZZZ", "KMIA", "
#> $ airport id
                                                        <chr> "MIAMI INTL", "INDIANAPOLIS INTL ARPT", "UNKNOWN"
#> $ airport
                                                        <chr> "AMERICAN AIRLINES", "AMERICAN AIRLINES", "AMERICAN
#> $ operator
                                                        <chr> "B-737-800", "B-737-800", "UNKNOWN", "B-737-900",
#> $ atype
                                                        #> $ type eng
                                                        <chr> "UNKBL", "R", "R2004", "N5205", "J2139", "UNKB",
#> $ species_id
                                                        <chr> "Unknown bird - large", "Owls", "Short-eared owl"
#> $ species
                                                        #> $ damage
                                                        <dbl> 2, 2, NA, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2,
#> $ num engs
#> $ incident month
                                                        <dbl> 2018, 2018, 2018, 2018, 2018, 2018, 2018, 2018, 2018
#> $ incident year
#> $ time of day
                                                         <chr> "Day", "Night", NA, NA, NA, "Day", "Night", NA, NA
                                                        <dbl> 1207, 2355, NA, NA, NA, 955, 948, NA, NA, 1321, 1
                                                        <dbl> 700, 0, NA, NA, NA, NA, 600, NA, NA, 0, NA, 0, NA
#> $ height
                                                        <dbl> 200, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, 145, NA, NA, 130, NA, NA
#> $ speed
                                                        <chr> "Climb", "Landing Roll", NA, NA, NA, "Approach",
#> $ phase of flt
                                                        <chr> "Some Cloud", NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, "Some Cloud", NA
#> $ sky
                                                        <chr> "None", NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, "None", NA, NA, "None'
#> $ precip
```

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Download the demo-choice-based-conjoint repo

## Cleaning surveydown survey data

- 1. Open survey. Rproj
- 2. Open code/data\_cleaning.R

#### Team time

For the rest of class, work with your team mates to start importing and cleaning your pilot survey data