STAT 213 Indicator Variables in MLR

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Pulse Rates Revisited

```
library(Stat2Data); data("Pulse")
PulseWithBMI <-
    mutate(
        Pulse,
        BMI = Wgt / Hgt^2 * 703,
        InvActive = 1 / Active,
        InvRest = 1 / Rest,
        Male = 1 - Gender)</pre>
```

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```
Active Pulse Rate by Sex
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```
### Male = 1 for males, 0 for females
### factor() tells R this represents categories
apr.sex <- lm(Active ~ factor(Male), data = PulseWithBMI)
coef(apr.sex) %>% round(digits = 2)
```

(Intercept) factor(Male)1 94.82 -6.70

What is the model here? What does the coefficient for Male mean?

```
summary(apr.sex)
    Call:
    lm(formula = Active ~ factor(Male), data = PulseWithBMI)
    Residuals:
        Min 1Q Median 3Q
                                      Max
    -38.818 -12.894 -1.818 10.953 65.877
    Coefficients:
                 Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
    (Intercept) 94.818 1.770 53.581 < 2e-16 ***
    factor(Male)1 -6.695 2.440 -2.744 0.00656 **
    Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
    Residual standard error: 18.56 on 230 degrees of freedom
    Multiple R-squared: 0.03169, Adjusted R-squared: 0.02748
    F-statistic: 7.527 on 1 and 230 DF, p-value: 0.006556
```

What does the *t*-test tell us?

Pair Discussion

(3 min.)

An environmental expert is interested in modeling the concentration of various chemicals in well water. Write down a regression model in which the amount of lead (Lead) depends on whether the well has been cleaned (Iclean, a 0/1 variable).

(5 min.)

Can you write down a single regression model that you could use to predict the amount of lead (Lead) in a well based on Year and on whether the well has been cleaned? How do you interpret each coefficient?

Combining Quantitative and Indicator Variables

```
apr.sex.rest <- lm(Active ~ Rest + factor(Male), data = PulseWithBMI)
apr.sex.rest</pre>
```

```
Call:

lm(formula = Active ~ Rest + factor(Male), data = PulseWithBMI)

Coefficients:

(Intercept) Rest factor(Male)1

16.470 1.118 -2.993
```

 $\widehat{\text{Active}} = 16.47 + 1.12 \cdot \text{Rest} - 2.99 \cdot \text{Male}$

Now what does the Male coefficient tell us?

CAUTION: don't try to use this with multiple quantitative
predictors; it won't make sense
plotModel(apr.sex.rest)



One Model, Two Prediction Equations

$$\widehat{\text{Active}} = 16.47 + 1.12 \cdot \text{Rest} - 2.99 \cdot \text{Male}$$

Females:
$$\widehat{\text{Active}} = 16.47 + 1.12 \cdot \text{Rest}$$

Males: $\widehat{\text{Active}} = (16.47 - 2.99) + 1.12 \cdot \text{Rest}$

t-test for Male coefficient tests whether intercepts are different

```
summary(apr.sex.rest)
    Call:
    lm(formula = Active ~ Rest + factor(Male), data = PulseWithBMI)
    Residuals:
        Min 10 Median 30 Max
    -35.306 -9.766 -2.542 7.340 64.983
    Coefficients:
                 Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
    (Intercept) 16.4703 7.1895 2.291 0.0229 *
    Rest
                 1.1178 0.1005 11.120 <2e-16 ***
    factor(Male)1 -2.9928 1.9987 -1.497 0.1357
    Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
    Residual standard error: 14.99 on 229 degrees of freedom
    Multiple R-squared: 0.3712, Adjusted R-squared: 0.3657
    F-statistic: 67.59 on 2 and 229 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

Non-Parallel Lines

```
two.lines.model <-
    lm(Active ~ Rest + factor(Male) + Rest:factor(Male),
        data = PulseWithBMI)
coef(two.lines.model)</pre>
```

(Intercept)	Rest	factor(Male)1
11.9763226	1.1819202	6.8200842
Rest:factor(Male)1		
-0.1437664		

 $\texttt{Active} = 11.98 + 1.18 \cdot \texttt{Rest} + 6.82 \cdot \texttt{Male} - 0.14 \cdot \texttt{Rest} \cdot \texttt{Male}$

Now what does the Male coefficient tell us? The last coefficient?

CAUTION: don't try to use this with multiple quantitative
predictors; it won't make sense
plotModel(two.lines.model)



Non-Parallel Lines

- Male coefficient is the difference in intercepts
- the interaction term is the difference in slopes

 $\widehat{\texttt{Active}} = 11.98 + 1.18 \cdot \texttt{Rest} + 6.82 \cdot \texttt{Male} - 0.14 \cdot \texttt{Rest} \cdot \texttt{Male}$

Females: $\widehat{\text{Active}} = 11.98 + 1.18 \cdot \text{Rest}$ Males: $\widehat{\text{Active}} = (11.98 + 6.82) + (1.18 - 0.14) \cdot \text{Rest}$

t-test for $\texttt{Male}\cdot\texttt{Rest}$ coefficient tests whether slopes are different

```
summary(two.lines.model)
    Call:
    lm(formula = Active ~ Rest + factor(Male) + Rest:factor(Male),
        data = PulseWithBMI)
    Residuals:
        Min 10 Median 30 Max
    -35.620 -9.933 -2.524 6.764 64.762
    Coefficients:
                     Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
    (Intercept) 11.9763 9.5839 1.250 0.213
    Rest
                    1.1819 0.1352 8.742 5.08e-16 ***
    factor(Male)1 6.8201 13.9629 0.488 0.626
    Rest:factor(Male)1 -0.1438 0.2025 -0.710 0.478
    Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
    Residual standard error: 15.01 on 228 degrees of freedom
    Multiple R-squared: 0.3726, Adjusted R-squared: 0.3643
    F-statistic: 45.13 on 3 and 228 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

Caution

Test for different intercepts is not a test for separate lines when the fitted lines are not parallel: could be that the difference at X = 0 is smaller than elsewhere

Centering a Predictor

```
PulseWithBMI <- mutate(PulseWithBMI, RestCentered = Rest - mean(Rest))
two.lines.model <-
    lm(Active ~ RestCentered + factor(Male) + RestCentered:factor(Male),
        data = PulseWithBMI)
coef(two.lines.model) %>% round(digits = 2)
```

RestCentered	(Intercept)
1.18	92.76
RestCentered:factor(Male)	<pre>factor(Male)1</pre>
-0.14	-3.01

$$\label{eq:Active} \begin{split} \texttt{Active} &= 92.76 + 1.18 \cdot \texttt{RestCentered} - 3.01 \cdot \texttt{Male} \\ &\quad -0.14 \cdot \texttt{RestCentered} \cdot \texttt{Male} \end{split}$$

Now what does the Male coefficient tell us?





Pair Discussion Revisited

Can you write down a single regression model that you could use to predict the amount of lead (Lead) in a well based on Year, but where the trend line is different depending on whether or not the well has been cleaned (Iclean)? What coefficients do you need and what is their interpretation?

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Testing multiple (but not all) predictors

We can test:

• one term at a time (*t*-test)

$$H_0: \beta_k = 0 \qquad H_1: \beta_k \neq 0$$

• all terms at once (*F*-test)

$$H_0: \beta_1 = \beta_2 = \dots = \beta_K = 0$$
$$H_1: \text{Some } \beta_k \neq 0$$

• What if we want to test a *subset* of the β s together?

Nested Models

If Model B has all the terms in Model A and then some, we say that Model A is **nested** in Model B

 $\begin{array}{l} \mbox{Model A: Active} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \mbox{Rest} \\ \mbox{Model B: Active} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \mbox{Rest} + \beta_2 \mbox{Male} + \beta_3 \mbox{Male} \cdot \mbox{Rest} \end{array}$

Model A is nested in Model B

Comparing Nested Models

- Is there evidence that the additional predictors in Model B are helpful?
- Some of SS_{Error} for the simpler model moves to SS_{Model} for the complex model.
- Nested *F*-test: is this difference more than we would expect by chance?

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$$H_0: \beta_{K_A+1} = \cdots = \beta_{K_B} = 0$$

$$F_{Comparison} = \frac{MS_{Comparison}}{MSE_{Full}}$$
$$= \frac{\text{Increase in } SS_{Model}/\text{Increase in } df_{Model}}{MSE_{Full}}$$

Nested *F*-test

Conclusion: Little evidence that males and non-males need a different model