

# Lab 6

## Programming for Statistical Science

# Package `rvest`

`rvest` is a package authored by Hadley Wickham that makes basic processing and manipulation of HTML data easy.

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library(rvest)
```

Core functions:

Function	Description
<code>xml2::read_html()</code>	read HTML from a character string or connection
<code>html_nodes()</code>	select specified nodes from the HTML document using CSS selectors
<code>html_table()</code>	parse an HTML table into a data frame
<code>html_text()</code>	extract tag pairs' content
<code>html_name()</code>	extract tags' names
<code>html_attrs()</code>	extract all of each tag's attributes
<code>html_attr()</code>	extract tags' attribute value by name

# Today's objectives

- Follow along as the TAs gets you started with web scraping and brief overview of [SelectorGadget](#).
- Complete Lab 6. Fork the template repo at [sta523-fa20/lab6](#)
  - Work with those in your breakout room.
  - This is not graded.
- Ask questions about recent course material.