Introduction to the R Language

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tapply is used to apply a function over subsets of a vector. I don't know why it's called tapply.

```
> str(tapply)
function (X, INDEX, FUN = NULL, ..., simplify = TRUE)
```

- X is a vector
- ► INDEX is a factor or a list of factors (or else they are coerced to factors)
- FUN is a function to be applied
- ... contains other arguments to be passed FUN
- simplify, should we simplify the result?

Take group means.

Take group means without simplification.

```
> tapply(x, f, mean, simplify = FALSE)
$'1'
[1] 0.1144464

$'2'
[1] 0.5163468

$'3'
[1] 1.246368
```

Find group ranges.

```
> tapply(x, f, range)
$'1'
[1] -1.097309 2.694970

$'2'
[1] 0.09479023 0.79107293

$'3'
[1] 0.4717443 2.5887025
```

split takes a vector or other objects and splits it into groups determined by a factor or list of factors.

```
> str(split)
function (x, f, drop = FALSE, ...)
```

- x is a vector (or list) or data frame
- f is a factor (or coerced to one) or a list of factors
- drop indicates whether empty factors levels should be dropped

```
> x <- c(rnorm(10), runif(10), rnorm(10, 1))
> f <- gl(3, 10)
> split(x, f)
$'1'
 [1] -0.8493038 -0.5699717 -0.8385255 -0.8842019
 [5] 0.2849881 0.9383361 -1.0973089 2.6949703
 [9] 1.5976789 -0.1321970
$'2'
 [1] 0.09479023 0.79107293 0.45857419 0.74849293
 [5] 0.34936491 0.35842084 0.78541705 0.57732081
 [9] 0.46817559 0.53183823
$'3'
 [1] 0.6795651 0.9293171 1.0318103 0.4717443
 [5] 2.5887025 1.5975774 1.3246333 1.4372701
```

A common idiom is split followed by an lapply.

```
> lapply(split(x, f), mean)
$'1'
[1] 0.1144464

$'2'
[1] 0.5163468

$'3'
[1] 1.246368
```

Splitting a Data Frame

```
> library(datasets)
> head(airquality)
 Ozone Solar.R Wind Temp Month Day
    41
          190 7.4
                   67
                        5
2
    36
         118 8.0 72
3
    12
         149 12.6 74
                            3
4
    18
         313 11.5 62
                            4
                        5 5
5
        NA 14.3 56
    NA
6
    28
          NA 14.9
                   66
                            6
```

Splitting a Data Frame

```
> s <- split(airquality, airquality$Month)</pre>
> lapply(s, function(x) colMeans(x[, c("Ozone", "Solar.R",
$'5'
   Ozone Solar.R. Wind
     NA NA 11.62258
$'6'
    Ozone
           Solar.R
                       Wind
      NA 190.16667 10.26667
$'7'
             Solar.R
    Ozone
                          Wind
       NA 216.483871 8.941935
```

Splitting a Data Frame

```
> sapply(s, function(x) colMeans(x[, c("Ozone", "Solar.R",
                    6
Ozone
           NA
                   NA NA NA
Solar.R NA 190.16667 216.483871 NA 167.4333
Wind 11.62258 10.26667 8.941935 8.793548 10.1800
> sapply(s, function(x) colMeans(x[, c("Ozone", "Solar.R",
                           na.rm = TRUE))
               5
                          6
      23.61538 29.44444 59.115385 59.961538
Ozone
Solar.R 181.29630 190.16667 216.483871 171.857143
Wind 11.62258 10.26667 8.941935
                                          8.793548
```

Splitting on More than One Level

```
> x <- rnorm(10)
> f1 <- g1(2, 5)
> f2 <- g1(5, 2)
> f1
 [1] 1 1 1 1 1 2 2 2 2 2 2
Levels: 1 2
> f2
 [1] 1 1 2 2 3 3 4 4 5 5
Levels: 1 2 3 4 5
> interaction(f1, f2)
 [1] 1.1 1.1 1.2 1.2 1.3 2.3 2.4 2.4 2.5 2.5
10 Levels: 1.1 2.1 1.2 2.2 1.3 2.3 1.4 ... 2.5
```

Splitting on More than One Level

Interactions can create empty levels.

```
> str(split(x, list(f1, f2)))
List of 10
 $ 1.1: num [1:2] -0.378 0.445
 $2.1: num(0)
 $ 1.2: num [1:2] 1.4066 0.0166
 $2.2: num(0)
 $1.3: num -0.355
 $ 2.3: num 0.315
 $ 1.4: num(0)
 $ 2.4: num [1:2] -0.907 0.723
 $1.5: num(0)
 $ 2.5: num [1:2] 0.732 0.360
```

Empty levels can be dropped.

```
> str(split(x, list(f1, f2), drop = TRUE))
List of 6
$ 1.1: num [1:2] -0.378   0.445
$ 1.2: num [1:2]  1.4066  0.0166
$ 1.3: num -0.355
$ 2.3: num 0.315
$ 2.4: num [1:2] -0.907  0.723
$ 2.5: num [1:2] 0.732  0.360
```