



# Lecture 1

# Filtering data sets



Used to sub-set rows/observations based on conditions being met as TRUE (e.g. height > 170)

gender	age	weight	height
Μ	18	52	165
F	67	65	171
М	40	80	183
F	23	57	154
M	26	71	173
M	34	90	167
Μ	55	67	169
Not disclosed	42	78	180
M	18	85	190
F	73	50	145
M	18	85	190

filter()

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Important arguments in the function are (i) data source and (ii) a condition whereby if TRUE the data is kept

filter(data source, condition, ...)

For example, using the health data set, we can filter height > 170

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filter(health, height>170)
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- Now lets use R to filter the 'health' dataset against for the following examples:
  - 1) Filter height > 170 and gender is M (tip "&" is the R operator for and)
  - 2) Filter height > 170 or gender is M (tip "|" is the R operator for or)
  - 3) Filter height > 170, gender is M and age is either 18 or 40 (tip %in% is a useful operator to deal with multiple 'or' requests within the same variable)



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#Answers to example questions for filter
filter(health, height > 170)

filter(health, height > 170 & gender == "M")

filter(health, height > 170 | gender == "M")

filter(health, height > 170 & gender == "M" & age %in% c(18,40))
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- Mini quiz using the iris data set
- 1) Filter iris for petal length less than 1.6
- 2) Filter iris for sepal length greater than 5.0 and sepal width greater than 3.0
- 3) Filter iris for petal width being either 0.2, 0.3 or 1.4, and species is virginica