Arithmetic Expressions and Variables in R: Takeaways

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Syntax

• Exponentiation: 3^5

• Integer Division: 17 %/% 5

• Modulo: 17 % 5

VARIABLE USES

• Assigning a value to a variable:

```
value_1 <- 50
value_2 <- 5L</pre>
```

• Assigning the result of a calculation to a variable:

```
total <- 5 + 5
average <- (5 + 5 + 5) / 3
```

• Performing calculations using variable names:

```
value 1 + value 2
```

BUILT-IN FUNCTIONS

• Data type of a variable:

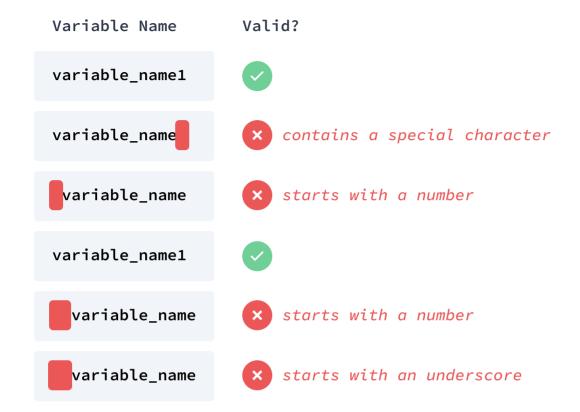
```
class(vector_1)
```

Concepts

- R uses the <u>Operator Priority</u> rules from mathematics when evaluating expressions: parentheses are calculated first, then exponentiation, then division and multiplication, and finally, addition and subtraction.
- R uses the <u>Data type transformation</u> rules to determine the data type of an expression.
 - Operations between values of the same data type yield that same data type.
 - Operations between values of different data types yield in the highest data type.
 From highest to lowest, the data types are ranked:

```
Numeric
,
Integer
, and
Logical
```

• There are some rules you need to follow when naming variables in R:



Resources

• Notes on naming variables in R

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