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Programming in R Part II

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What do we want to be able to do?

- Restructure Data/Clean Data
- Streamline repeated sections of code
- **Improve efficiency of code**
- Write custom functions to simplify code

Efficient Code

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Vectorized functions much faster!

- Vectorized function: works on entire vector at once
- Avoids costly computation time

Efficient Code

Some 'built-in' vectorized functions

- `colMeans()`, `rowMeans()`
- `colSums()`, `rowSums()`
- `colSds()`, `colVars()`, `colMedians()` (`matrixStats` package)
- `ifelse()`
- `apply()` family
- Create your own with `Vectorize()`

Efficient Code

- Find column means for full Batting data set
- `colMeans()` just requires a numeric data frame (array)

```
colMeans(select(Batting, G:GIDP), na.rm = TRUE)
```

##	G	AB	R	H	X2B	X3B
##	51.343439	141.905511	18.815544	37.139930	6.289167	1.293252
##	HR	RBI	SB	CS	BB	SO
##	2.813599	17.003975	2.976821	1.226008	13.067207	20.529712
##	IBB	HBP	SH	SF	GIDP	
##	1.105870	1.056057	2.299540	1.054101	2.981018	

Efficient Code

- Compare computational time
- `microbenchmark` package allows for easy recording of computing time

```
install.packages("microbenchmark")
```

```
library(microbenchmark)
```

Efficient Code

- Compare computational time

```
Bat <- select(Batting, G:GIDP)
microbenchmark(
  colMeans(Bat, na.rm = TRUE)
)
```

```
## Unit: milliseconds
```

```
##           expr      min       lq      mean    median       uq
## colMeans(Bat, na.rm = TRUE) 6.292828 6.700414 8.966566 7.213992 8.601368
##      max neval
## 20.6466   100
```


Efficient Code

- Compare computational time

```
microbenchmark(
  for(i in 1:17){
    mean(Bat[ , i], na.rm = TRUE)
  }
)
```

```
## Unit: milliseconds
```

```
##                               expr      min       lq
## for (i in 1:17) { mean(Bat[, i], na.rm = TRUE) } 18.36648 29.49804
##      mean    median      uq      max neval
## 41.59424 40.00155 47.92906 86.60699   100
```

Efficient Code

- With vectorized functions, can easily find cool stuff
 - Median number of games played for all players
 - Median number of AB for players that batted
 - Steps: (think `dplyr` commands!)
1. Group observations by `playerID`
 2. Summarise variables of interest
 3. Remove non numeric column
 4. Coerce to matrix for use in `colMedians()`
 5. Use `colMedians()` function

Efficient Code

```
library(matrixStats) #install if not installed

##
## Attaching package: 'matrixStats'

## The following object is masked from 'package:dplyr':
##
##      count

Batting %>% group_by(playerID) %>%
  summarise(totG = sum(G), totAB = sum(AB)) %>%
  select(-playerID) %>% as.matrix() %>%
  colMedians(na.rm = TRUE)

## [1] 78 71
```

• Next up, `ifelse()`

Efficient Code

- Logical statement - comparison of two quantities
 - resolves as TRUE or FALSE
- Often want to execute code logically
- logical comparison operators
 - `==`, `!=`, `>=`, `<=`, `>`, `<`
 - `&` "and"
 - `|` "or"
- logical functions
 - `is.family(is.numeric(), is.data.frame(), etc.)`

Efficient Code

If then, If then else

- Often want to execute statements conditionally
- If then else concept

```
if (condition) {  
  then execute code  
}
```

```
#if then else  
if (condition) {  
  execute this code  
} else {  
  execute this code  
}
```

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```
#Or more if statements  
if (condition) {  
  execute this code  
} else if (condition2) {  
  execute this code  
} else if (condition3) {  
  execute this code  
} else {  
  #if no conditions met  
  execute this code  
}
```

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- Built in data set `airquality`
 - daily air quality measurements in New York
 - from May (Day 1) to September (Day 153) in 1973

```
airquality<-tbl_df(airquality)
airquality
```

```
## # A tibble: 153 x 6
##   Ozone Solar.R Wind Temp Month Day
##   <int>   <int> <dbl> <int> <int> <int>
## 1    41    190   7.4    67     5     1
## 2    36    118    8     72     5     2
## 3    12    149  12.6    74     5     3
## 4    18    313  11.5    62     5     4
## 5     NA     NA  14.3    56     5     5
## # ... with 148 more rows
```


Efficient Code

Want to code a wind category variable

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- windy days ($10\text{mph} \leq \text{wind} < 15\text{mph}$)
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Initial plan

- loop through each observation
- use if then else to determine wind status

Efficient Code

#initialize vector to save results

```
status<-vector()
```

```
for (i in 1:(dim(airquality)[1])){  
  if(airquality$Wind[i] >= 15){  
    status[i] <- "HighWind"  
  } else if (airquality$Wind[i] >= 10){  
    status[i] <- "Windy"  
  } else if (airquality$Wind[i] >= 6){  
    status[i] <- "LightWind"  
  } else if (airquality$Wind[i] >= 0){  
    status[i] <- "Calm"  
  } else {  
    status[i] <- "Error"  
  }  
}
```

Efficient Code

status

```
## [1] "LightWind" "LightWind" "Windy"      "Windy"      "Windy"
## [6] "Windy"      "LightWind" "Windy"      "HighWind"   "LightWind"
## [11] "LightWind" "LightWind" "LightWind"  "Windy"      "Windy"
## [16] "Windy"      "Windy"      "HighWind"   "Windy"      "LightWind"
## [21] "LightWind" "HighWind"   "LightWind"  "Windy"      "HighWind"
## [26] "Windy"      "LightWind" "Windy"      "Windy"      "Calm"
## [31] "LightWind" "LightWind" "LightWind"  "HighWind"   "LightWind"
## [36] "LightWind" "Windy"      "LightWind"  "LightWind"  "Windy"
## [41] "Windy"      "Windy"      "LightWind"  "LightWind"  "Windy"
## [46] "Windy"      "Windy"      "HighWind"   "LightWind"  "Windy"
## [51] "Windy"      "LightWind" "Calm"       "Calm"       "LightWind"
## [56] "LightWind" "LightWind" "Windy"      "Windy"      "Windy"
## [61] "LightWind" "Calm"      "LightWind"  "LightWind"  "Windy"
## [66] "Calm"      "Windy"     "Calm"       "LightWind"  "Calm"
## [71] "LightWind" "LightWind" "Windy"      "Windy"      "Windy"
## [76] "Windy"     "LightWind" "Windy"      "LightWind"  "Calm"
## [81] "Windy"     "LightWind" "LightWind"  "Windy"      "LightWind"
## [86] "LightWind" "LightWind" "Windy"      "LightWind"  "LightWind"
## [91] "LightWind" "LightWind" "LightWind"  "Windy"      "LightWind"
## [96] "LightWind" "LightWind" "Calm"       "Calm"       "Windy"
## [101] "LightWind" "LightWind" "Windy"      "Windy"      "Windy"
```

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Efficient Code

- Add it to the data set

```
airquality$status <- status
```

- Find mean temperature for each wind Status

```
airquality$status <- status  
airquality %>% group_by(status) %>%  
  mutate(avgTemp = mean(Temp))
```

Efficient Code

```
## # A tibble: 153 x 8
## # Groups:   status [4]
##   Ozone Solar.R Wind Temp Month Day status avgTemp
##   <int>   <int> <dbl> <int> <int> <int> <chr>    <dbl>
## 1    41    190   7.4   67     5     1 LightWind  79.4
## 2    36    118   8     72     5     2 LightWind  79.4
## 3    12    149  12.6   74     5     3 Windy     75.5
## 4    18    313  11.5   62     5     4 Windy     75.5
## 5    NA     NA  14.3   56     5     5 Windy     75.5
## # ... with 148 more rows
```

Efficient Code

- Know for loops not great
- `ifelse()` is vectorized version of `if then else`
- Syntax

```
ifelse(vector_condition, if_true_do_this, if_false_do_this)
```

Efficient Code

```
ifelse(airquality$Wind >= 15, "HighWind",
      ifelse(airquality$Wind >= 10, "Windy",
            ifelse(airquality$Wind >= 6, "LightWind", "Calm"))))
```

```
## [1] "LightWind" "LightWind" "Windy"      "Windy"      "Windy"
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```

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Efficient Code

- Compare speed

```
loopTime<-microbenchmark(  
  for (i in 1:(dim(airquality)[1])){  
    if(airquality$Wind[i] >= 15){  
      status[i] <- "HighWind"  
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      status[i] <- "Windy"  
    } else if (airquality$Wind[i] >= 6){  
      status[i] <- "LightWind"  
    } else if (airquality$Wind[i] >= 0){  
      status[i] <- "Calm"  
    } else{  
      status[i] <- "Error"  
    }  
  }  
, unit = "us")
```

Efficient Code

- Compare speed

```
vectorTime <- microbenchmark(  
  ifelse(airquality$Wind >= 15, "HighWind",  
    ifelse(airquality$Wind >= 10, "Windy",  
      ifelse(airquality$Wind >= 6, "LightWind", "Calm")))  
, unit = "us")
```

Efficient Code (Note units!)

loopTime

```
## Unit: microseconds
##
## for (i in 1:(dim(airquality)[1])) {      if (airquality$Wind[i] >= 15) {      status[i] <- "HighWi
##      min      lq      mean median      uq      max neval
## 10679.76 11447.96 12500.47 11776.4 12893.96 21087.54    100
```

vectorTime

```
## Unit: microseconds
##
## ifelse(airquality$Wind >= 15, "HighWind", ifelse(airquality$Wind >=      10, "Windy", ifelse(airqual
##      min      lq      mean median      uq      max neval
## 142.508 143.692 149.2427 144.482 146.0615 317.78    100
```

Efficient Code

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 - We'll look at `apply()`, `sapply()`, `lapply()`

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 - Use `apply()` to find summary for columns of airquality data

```
apply(X = select(airquality, Ozone:Temp), MARGIN = 2,  
      FUN = summary, na.rm = TRUE)
```

Efficient Code

- Keeps data numeric, keeps labels!

```
## $Ozone
##   Min. 1st Qu.  Median    Mean 3rd Qu.    Max.   NA's
##   1.00  18.00   31.50   42.13  63.25  168.00    37
##
## $Solar.R
##   Min. 1st Qu.  Median    Mean 3rd Qu.    Max.   NA's
##    7.0   115.8   205.0   185.9   258.8   334.0     7
##
## $Wind
##   Min. 1st Qu.  Median    Mean 3rd Qu.    Max.
##  1.700   7.400   9.700   9.958  11.500  20.700
##
## $Temp
##   Min. 1st Qu.  Median    Mean 3rd Qu.    Max.
##  56.00   72.00   79.00   77.88   85.00   97.00
```

Efficient Code

- Use `lapply()` to apply function to lists
- Obtain a list object

```
fit <- lm(Ozone ~ Wind, data = airquality)
fit <- list(fit$residuals, fit$effects, fit$fitted.values)
```

Efficient Code

```
fit[[1]]
```

```
##           1           2           3           4           6           7
## -14.7960653 -16.4655116 -14.9312663 -15.0372815 13.8358563 -26.1349578
##           8           9          11          12          13          14
## -1.2701589 22.7006553 -51.5715267 -27.0289427 -34.8044041 -22.3678352
##          15          16          17          18          19          20
## -5.6007126 -19.0372815  3.7381799 11.2640864 -3.0372815 -32.0289427
##          21          22          23          24          28          29
## -42.0289427  6.2724252 -39.0289427  1.7381799 -7.2618201 30.8358563
##          30          31          38          40          41          44
## 49.7673658 -18.7960653 -14.0289427 50.7298411  5.9627185 -29.4655116
##          47          48          49          50          51          62
##  6.8358563 55.0312090 -25.8044041 -21.0372815 -26.6983889 60.8858892
##          63          64          66          67          68          69
##  3.1955959 -13.8044041 -7.3386494  3.6321648  8.4368121 35.0979195
##          70          71          73          74          76          77
## 31.7673658 29.2039347 -7.4946974 12.8358563 -10.4946974 -10.5715267
##          78          79          80          81          82          85
## -4.6983889 -0.9020805 10.4368121 29.9627185 -42.5715267 30.8650422
##          86          87          88          89          90          91
## 55.5344884 -29.1349578 21.7381799 26.2039347 -5.7960653  8.2039347
##          92          93          94          95          96          97
```

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Efficient Code

```
fit[[2]]
```

```
## (Intercept)      Wind
## -453.7465588 -212.8004841 -14.7950343 -14.4827016  13.0973609
##
## -24.4774608  -1.5903064  19.9845153 -49.2674921 -25.7897935
##
## -33.3750969 -21.5850656  -5.6926704 -18.4827016   4.1026017
##
##   9.1944841  -2.4827016 -30.7897935 -40.7897935   4.8873922
##
## -37.7897935   2.1026017  -6.8973983  30.0973609  52.5277800
##
## -16.6821888 -12.7897935  50.4096936   6.5172984 -27.5798248
##
##   6.0973609  52.0868793 -24.3750969 -20.4827016 -25.6874296
##
##  64.2548094   4.6249031 -12.3750969  -4.1598873   4.4149344
##
##  11.4254160  37.6301439  34.5277800  31.3178112  -8.0050031
##
##  12.0973609 -11.0050031  -8.2674921  -3.6874296   1.6301439
##
```

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Efficient Code

- Apply `mean()` function to each list element

```
lapply(X = fit, FUN = mean)
```

```
## [[1]]  
## [1] -5.731915e-16  
##  
## [[2]]  
## [1] -4.333566  
##  
## [[3]]  
## [1] 42.12931
```

Efficient Code

- Use `sapply()` similar but returns a vector if possible

```
sapply(X = fit, FUN = mean)
```

```
## [1] -5.731915e-16 -4.333566e+00 4.212931e+01
```

- `apply()` functions not as good as `colMeans()` type functions

```
air2 <- select(airquality, Ozone:Day)
microbenchmark(apply(X = air2, MARGIN = 2, FUN = mean, na.rm = TRUE))
```

```
## Unit: microseconds
```

```
##                               expr      min       lq
##  apply(X = air2, MARGIN = 2, FUN = mean, na.rm = TRUE) 149.219 153.364
##      mean  median      uq      max neval
## 167.4528 156.324 169.3515 345.414   100
```

```
microbenchmark(colMeans(air2, na.rm = TRUE))
```

```
## Unit: microseconds
```

```
##                               expr  min      lq    mean  median      uq
##  colMeans(air2, na.rm = TRUE) 75.4 77.5705 106.2733 79.9395 149.6135
##      max neval
## 286.595   100
```

Recap!

- Vectorized functions fast!
- 'Built-in' vectorized functions
 - `colMeans()`, `rowMeans()`
 - `colSums()`, `rowSums()`
 - `colSds()`, `colVars()`, `colMedians()` (`matrixStats` package)
 - `ifelse()`
 - `apply()` family

Activity

- [Vectorized Functions Activity instructions](#) available on web
- Work in small groups
- Ask questions! TAs and I will float about the room
- Feel free to ask questions about anything you didn't understand as well!

What do we want to be able to do?

- Restructure Data/Clean Data
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- **Write custom functions to simplify code**

Writing Functions

- Knowing how to write **functions** vital to custom analyses!
- Function writing syntax

```
nameOfFunction <- function(input1, input2, ...) {  
  #code  
  #return something with return()  
  #or returns last value  
}
```


Writing Functions

- Can look at code for functions

var

```
## function (x, y = NULL, na.rm = FALSE, use)
## {
##   if (missing(use))
##     use <- if (na.rm)
##       "na.or.complete"
##     else "everything"
##   na.method <- pmatch(use, c("all.obs", "complete.obs", "pairwise.complete.obs",
##     "everything", "na.or.complete"))
##   if (is.na(na.method))
##     stop("invalid 'use' argument")
##   if (is.data.frame(x))
##     x <- as.matrix(x)
##   else stopifnot(is.atomic(x))
##   if (is.data.frame(y))
##     y <- as.matrix(y)
##   else stopifnot(is.atomic(y))
##   .Call(C_cov, x, y, na.method, FALSE)
## }
```

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Writing Functions

- Can look at code for functions

colMeans

```
## function (x, na.rm = FALSE, dims = 1L)
## {
##   if (is.data.frame(x))
##     x <- as.matrix(x)
##   if (!is.array(x) || length(dn <- dim(x)) < 2L)
##     stop("'x' must be an array of at least two dimensions")
##   if (dims < 1L || dims > length(dn) - 1L)
##     stop("invalid 'dims'")
##   n <- prod(dn[id <- seq_len(dims)])
##   dn <- dn[-id]
##   z <- if (is.complex(x))
##     .Internal(colMeans(Re(x), n, prod(dn), na.rm)) + (0+1i) *
##     .Internal(colMeans(Im(x), n, prod(dn), na.rm))
##   else .Internal(colMeans(x, n, prod(dn), na.rm))
##   if (length(dn) > 1L) {
##     dim(z) <- dn
##     dimnames(z) <- dimnames(x)[-id]
##   }
##   else names(z) <- dimnames(x)[[dims + 1L]]
```

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Writing Functions

- Can look at code for functions

mean

```
## function (x, ...)  
## UseMethod("mean")  
## <bytecode: 0x000000001d6e78f8>  
## <environment: namespace:base>
```

Writing Functions

- Can look at code for functions

mean.default

```
## function (x, trim = 0, na.rm = FALSE, ...)  
## {  
##   if (!is.numeric(x) && !is.complex(x) && !is.logical(x)) {  
##     warning("argument is not numeric or logical: returning NA")  
##     return(NA_real_)  
##   }  
##   if (na.rm)  
##     x <- x[!is.na(x)]  
##   if (!is.numeric(trim) || length(trim) != 1L)  
##     stop("'trim' must be numeric of length one")  
##   n <- length(x)  
##   if (trim > 0 && n) {  
##     if (is.complex(x))  
##       stop("trimmed means are not defined for complex data")  
##     if (anyNA(x))  
##       return(NA_real_)  
##     if (trim >= 0.5)  
##       return(stats::median(x, na.rm = FALSE))  
##     lo <- floor(n * trim) + 1
```

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Writing Functions

- Goal: Create a `standardize()` function
- Take vector of values
 - subtract mean
 - divide by standard deviation
- z-score idea
- Formula: For value i ,
$$(\text{value}[i] - \text{mean}(\text{value})) / \text{sd}(\text{value})$$

Writing Functions

```
nameOfFunction <- function(input1, input2, ...) {  
  #code  
  #return something with return()  
  #or returns last value  
}
```

```
standardize <- function(vector) {  
  return((vector - mean(vector)) / sd(vector))  
}
```

Writing Functions

- Now use it!

```
data <- runif(5)
```

```
data
```

```
## [1] 0.4547721 0.9785136 0.4703607 0.3316216 0.2029009
```

```
result <- standardize(data)
```

```
result
```

```
## [1] -0.1114508 1.6648273 -0.0585820 -0.5291180 -0.9656765
```

Writing Functions

- Check result has mean 0 and sd 1

```
mean(result)
```

```
## [1] 7.075503e-17
```

```
sd(result)
```

```
## [1] 1
```


Writing Functions

- Goal: Add more inputs
- Make centering optional
- Make scaling optional

```
standardize <- function(vector, center, scale) {  
  if (center == TRUE) {  
    vector <- vector - mean(vector)  
  }  
  if (scale == TRUE) {  
    vector <- vector / sd(vector)  
  }  
  return(vector)  
}
```

Writing Functions

```
result <- standardize(data, center = TRUE, scale = TRUE)  
result
```

```
## [1] -0.1114508  1.6648273 -0.0585820 -0.5291180 -0.9656765
```

```
result <- standardize(data, center = FALSE, scale = TRUE)  
result
```

```
## [1] 1.5423674 3.3186455 1.5952362 1.1247002 0.6881418
```

Writing Functions

- Give center and scale default arguments

```
standardize <- function(vector, center = TRUE, scale = TRUE) {  
  #center and scale if appropriate  
  if (center == TRUE) {  
    vector <- vector - mean(vector)  
  }  
  if (scale == TRUE) {  
    vector <- vector / sd(vector)  
  }  
  return(vector)  
}
```

Writing Functions

```
result <- standardize(data, center = TRUE, scale = TRUE)
result
```

```
## [1] -0.1114508  1.6648273 -0.0585820 -0.5291180 -0.9656765
```

#same call

```
result <- standardize(data)
result
```

```
## [1] -0.1114508  1.6648273 -0.0585820 -0.5291180 -0.9656765
```

Writing Functions

- Return more than 1 object by returning a list
- Goal: Also return
 - `mean()` of original data
 - `sd()` of original data

Writing Functions

```
standardize <- function(vector, center = TRUE, scale = TRUE) {  
  #get attributes to return  
  mean <- mean(vector)  
  stdev <- sd(vector)  
  #center and scale if appropriate  
  if (center == TRUE) {  
    vector <- vector - mean  
  }  
  if (scale == TRUE) {  
    vector <- vector / stdev  
  }  
  #return a list of objects  
  return(list(vector, mean, stdev))  
}
```

Writing Function

```
result <- standardize(data)
result
```

```
## [[1]]
## [1] -0.1114508  1.6648273 -0.0585820 -0.5291180 -0.9656765
##
## [[2]]
## [1] 0.4876338
##
## [[3]]
## [1] 0.2948533
```

```
result[[2]]
```

```
## [1] 0.4876338
```

Writing Functions

- Fancy up what we return by giving names

```
standardize <- function(vector, center = TRUE, scale = TRUE) {  
  #get attributes to return  
  mean <- mean(vector)  
  stdev <- sd(vector)  
  #center and scale if appropriate  
  if (center == TRUE) {  
    vector <- vector - mean  
  }  
  if (scale == TRUE) {  
    vector <- vector / stdev  
  }  
  #return a list of objects  
  return(list(result = vector, mean = mean, sd = stdev))  
}
```


Writing Functions

```
result <- standardize(data, center = TRUE, scale = TRUE)
result
```

```
## $result
## [1] -0.1114508  1.6648273 -0.0585820 -0.5291180 -0.9656765
##
## $mean
## [1] 0.4876338
##
## $sd
## [1] 0.2948533
```

```
result$sd
```

```
## [1] 0.2948533
```

Writing Functions

- Can bring in unnamed arguments
- Arguments that can be used by functions **inside** your function
- Done already in `apply()`

`apply`

```
## function (X, MARGIN, FUN, ...)  
## {  
##     FUN <- match.fun(FUN)  
##     dl <- length(dim(X))  
##     if (!dl)  
##         stop("dim(X) must have a positive length")  
##     if (is.object(X))  
##         X <- if (dl == 2L)  
##             as.matrix(X)  
##             else as.array(X)  
##     d <- dim(X)  
##     dn <- dimnames(X)  
##     ds <- seq_len(dl)  
##     if (is.character(MARGIN)) {  
##         if (is.null(dnn <- names(dn)))  
##             stop("'X' must have named dimnames")
```

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Writing Functions

```
apply(X = select(airquality, Ozone:Temp), MARGIN = 2,
      FUN = summary, na.rm = TRUE)
```

```
## $Ozone
##   Min. 1st Qu.  Median    Mean 3rd Qu.    Max.   NA's
##   1.00  18.00   31.50   42.13  63.25  168.00    37
##
## $Solar.R
##   Min. 1st Qu.  Median    Mean 3rd Qu.    Max.   NA's
##    7.0   115.8   205.0   185.9   258.8   334.0     7
##
## $Wind
##   Min. 1st Qu.  Median    Mean 3rd Qu.    Max.
##  1.700   7.400   9.700   9.958  11.500  20.700
##
## $Temp
##   Min. 1st Qu.  Median    Mean 3rd Qu.    Max.
##  56.00   72.00   79.00   77.88   85.00   97.00
```

Writing Functions

- Add unnamed arguments to our function

```
standardize <- function(vector, center = TRUE, scale = TRUE, ...) {  
  #get attributes to return  
  mean <- mean(vector, ...)  
  stdev <- sd(vector, ...)  
  #center and scale if appropriate  
  if (center == TRUE) {  
    vector <- vector - mean  
  }  
  if (scale == TRUE) {  
    vector <- vector / stdev  
  }  
  #return a list of objects  
  return(list(result = vector, mean = mean, sd = stdev))  
}
```

Writing Functions

```
sData <- standardize(airquality$Ozone, na.rm = TRUE)
sData$mean
```

```
## [1] 42.12931
```

```
sData$sd
```

```
## [1] 32.98788
```

```
sData$result
```

```
## [1] -0.03423409 -0.18580489 -0.91334473 -0.73145977      NA
## [6] -0.42831817 -0.57988897 -0.70114561 -1.03460136      NA
## [11] -1.06491552 -0.79208809 -0.94365889 -0.85271641 -0.73145977
## [16] -0.85271641 -0.24643321 -1.09522968 -0.36768985 -0.94365889
## [21] -1.24680048 -0.94365889 -1.15585800 -0.30706153      NA
## [26]           NA           NA -0.57988897  0.08702254  2.20901373
## [31] -0.15549073           NA           NA           NA           NA
## [36]           NA           NA -0.39800401           NA  0.87519070
## [41] -0.09486241           NA           NA -0.57988897           NA
## [46]           NA -0.64051729 -0.15549073 -0.67083145 -0.91334473
```

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Recap!

- Function writing opens R up!
- Syntax

```
nameOfFunction <- function(input1, input2, ...) {  
  #code  
  #return something with return()  
  #or returns last value  
}
```

- Can set defaults in function definition
- Can return a named list
- Can give unnamed arguments for use

What do we want to be able to do?

- Restructure Data/Clean Data
- Streamline repeated sections of code
- Improve efficiency of code
- Write custom functions to simplify code

Activity

- [Function Writing Activity instructions](#) available on web
- Work in small groups
- Ask questions! TAs and I will float about the room
- Feel free to ask questions about anything you didn't understand as well!
- Thanks for coming!