

# Preprocess survey data for metrics, scientific literacy and attitude

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## Learning Objectives

- Load external tabular data from a .csv file into R.
- Manipulate string and categorical data in R
- Find irregular inputs and correct them
- Generate summary and clean results

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References: ABC News: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1cPeZLCVWTw&feature=youtu.be>

Productive failure <http://manukapur.com/productive-failure/>

## Check files in the working directory

```
rm(list=ls())
list.files()

## [1] "Learning_R_by_metricExample.ppt" "metric_survey_data.csv"
## [3] "metric_survey_form.pdf"         "metric_v3.html"
## [5] "metric_v3.Rmd"                  "metric-attitude-literacy.csv"
```

## Read the survey data in csv format

```
# colClass specify that all columns will be treated as characters for now.
# tb.ori = read.csv("metric_survey_data.csv", colClass=rep("character", 24))
tb.ori = read.csv("metric_survey_data.csv", stringsAsFactors = FALSE)
?str
str(tb.ori);

## 'data.frame':   318 obs. of  24 variables:
##  $ Timestamp
##  $ Please.indicate.your.gender
##  $ Please.indicate.your.age.category
##  $ What.is.the.highest.education.that.you.received.or.are.pursing.
##  $ Please.indicate.the.country.in.which.you.grew.up.
##  $ Light.is.both.a.wave.and.a.particle
##  $ A.man.is.2.16.meters.tall..Is.this.person.suited.to.be.a.good.professional.basketball.player.
##  $ A.30.year.old.scientist.found.a.6.million.year.old.fossil..When.this.scientist.becomes.35.years.o
##  $ X.Kilo..means
##  $ X145.mm...___.m
```

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## $ Do.you.agree.that.organic.food.should.be.DNA.free.food.
## $ A.person.s.pant.inseam.measures.35.centimeters.
## $ The.weather.forecast.shows.a.high.of.32.degrees.Celcius..what.should.you.wear.
## $ What.is.an.electron.attracted.to.
## $ Early.human.once.lived.with.dinosaurs.
## $ Lasers.work.by.focusing.sound.waves
## $ The.continents.have.been.moving.their.location.for.millions.of.years.and.will.continue.to.move.
## $ Antibiotics.kills.viruses.as.well.as.bacteria.
## $ Electrons.are.smaller.than.atoms
## $ The.center.of.the.earth.is.very.hot.
## $ My.religious.views.are.more.important.than.scientific.views.
## $ For.me..in.my.daily.life..it.is.not.important.to.know.about.science.
## $ Science.and.technology.are.making.our.lives.healthier..easier.and.more.comfortable.
## $ The.benefits.of.science.are.greater.than.any.harmful.effects.it.may.have.
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tb.ori$Timestamp
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## [4] "3/5/2013 15:01:34" "3/5/2013 15:03:33" "3/5/2013 16:21:51"
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tb = tb.ori #make a copy because we will modify the table.
```

## Shorten columns names

```
names(tb.ori)
```

```
## [1] "Timestamp"
## [2] "Please.indicate.your.gender"
## [3] "Please.indicate.your.age.category"
## [4] "What.is.the.highest.education.that.you.received.or.are.pursing."
## [5] "Please.indicate.the.country.in.which.you.grew.up."
## [6] "Light.is.both.a.wave.and.a.particle"
## [7] "A.man.is.2.16.meters.tall..Is.this.person.suited.to.be.a.good.professional.basketball.player."
## [8] "A.30.year.old.scientist.found.a.6.million.year.old.fossil..When.this.scientist.becomes.35.year"
## [9] "X.Kilo..means"
## [10] "X145.mm..._.m"
## [11] "Do.you.agree.that.organic.food.should.be.DNA.free.food."
## [12] "A.person.s.pant.inseam.measures.35.centimeters."
## [13] "The.weather.forecast.shows.a.high.of.32.degrees.Celcius..what.should.you.wear."
## [14] "What.is.an.electron.attracted.to."
## [15] "Early.human.once.lived.with.dinosaurs."
## [16] "Lasers.work.by.focusing.sound.waves"
## [17] "The.continents.have.been.moving.their.location.for.millions.of.years.and.will.continue.to.move"
## [18] "Antibiotics.kills.viruses.as.well.as.bacteria."
## [19] "Electrons.are.smaller.than.atoms"
## [20] "The.center.of.the.earth.is.very.hot."
## [21] "My.religious.views.are.more.important.than.scientific.views."
## [22] "For.me..in.my.daily.life..it.is.not.important.to.know.about.science."
## [23] "Science.and.technology.are.making.our.lives.healthier..easier.and.more.comfortable."
## [24] "The.benefits.of.science.are.greater.than.any.harmful.effects.it.may.have."
```

```
?names
```

```
#rename the columns with shorter names for convenience
```

```
names(tb) = c("time", "gender", "age", "degree", "country", "light", "shaq", "fossil", "kilo", "mm",
              "food", "inseam", "weather", "electronCharge", "earlyHuman",
              "laser", "continents", "antibiotics", "electronSize", "earthCenter",
              "religiousView", "dailyLife", "SciOnLife", "SciEffect")

str(tb)
```

```
## 'data.frame':    318 obs. of  24 variables:
## $ time          : chr  "3/5/2013 14:34:19" "3/5/2013 14:47:37" "3/5/2013 14:53:48" "3/5/2013 15:01:..."
## $ gender        : chr  "Do not wish to answer" "Male" "Female" "Do not wish to answer" ...
## $ age           : chr  "18-22" "18-22" "31-40" NA ...
## $ degree        : chr  "Bachelor Degree in Science or equivalent" "High School or equivalent" "High School or equivalent" ...
## $ country       : chr  "United States" "United States" "United States" "United States" ...
## $ light         : chr  "TRUE" "TRUE" "TRUE" "Wrong" ...
## $ shaq          : chr  "Yes" "No" "No" "Yes" ...
## $ fossil        : chr  "6 million and 5 years old" "6 million and 5 years old" "6 million and 5 years old" ...
## $ kilo          : chr  "1000 x" "1000 x" "100 x" "1000 x" ...
## $ mm           : chr  "0.145" "0.145" "1.45" "0.145" ...
## $ food          : chr  "I don't know" "Dis-agree" "Dis-agree" "Dis-agree" ...
## $ inseam        : chr  "This person is tall" "This person is short" "This person is short" "This person is short" ...
## $ weather       : chr  "A winter coat" "A Short sleeve shirt" "A light jacket" "A winter coat" ...
## $ electronCharge: chr  "Negative charge" "Positive charge" "Positive charge" "Positive charge" ...
## $ earlyHuman    : chr  "FALSE" "FALSE" "TRUE" "FALSE" ...
## $ laser         : chr  "TRUE" "FALSE" "FALSE" "FALSE" ...
## $ continents    : chr  "TRUE" "TRUE" "TRUE" "TRUE" ...
## $ antibiotics   : chr  "FALSE" "FALSE" "FALSE" "FALSE" ...
## $ electronSize  : chr  "True " "True " "True " "True " ...
## $ earthCenter   : chr  "TRUE" "TRUE" "TRUE" "TRUE" ...
## $ religiousView : chr  "Yes" "Yes" "Yes" "No" ...
## $ dailyLife     : chr  "FALSE" "FALSE" "Neutral" "FALSE" ...
## $ SciOnLife     : chr  "TRUE" "TRUE" "TRUE" "TRUE" ...
## $ SciEffect     : chr  "TRUE" "TRUE" "FALSE" "Not sure" ...
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```
summary(tb)
```

## time	gender	age	degree
## Length:318	Length:318	Length:318	Length:318
## Class :character	Class :character	Class :character	Class :character
## Mode :character	Mode :character	Mode :character	Mode :character
## country	light	shaq	fossil
## Length:318	Length:318	Length:318	Length:318
## Class :character	Class :character	Class :character	Class :character
## Mode :character	Mode :character	Mode :character	Mode :character
## kilo	mm	food	inseam
## Length:318	Length:318	Length:318	Length:318
## Class :character	Class :character	Class :character	Class :character
## Mode :character	Mode :character	Mode :character	Mode :character
## weather	electronCharge	earlyHuman	laser
## Length:318	Length:318	Length:318	Length:318
## Class :character	Class :character	Class :character	Class :character
## Mode :character	Mode :character	Mode :character	Mode :character
## continents	antibiotics	electronSize	earthCenter
## Length:318	Length:318	Length:318	Length:318
## Class :character	Class :character	Class :character	Class :character
## Mode :character	Mode :character	Mode :character	Mode :character
## religiousView	dailyLife	SciOnLife	SciEffect
## Length:318	Length:318	Length:318	Length:318
## Class :character	Class :character	Class :character	Class :character
## Mode :character	Mode :character	Mode :character	Mode :character

Visually check of the renamed columns.

cbind is to combine columns.

substr is to take a portion of string variables.

```
cbind (names(tb), substr(names(tb.ori), 1, 30))
```

```
##      [,1]      [,2]
## [1,] "time"    "Timestamp"
## [2,] "gender"  "Please.indicate.your.gender"
## [3,] "age"     "Please.indicate.your.age.categ"
## [4,] "degree"  "What.is.the.highest.education."
## [5,] "country" "Please.indicate.the.country.in"
## [6,] "light"   "Light.is.both.a.wave.and.a.par"
## [7,] "shaq"    "A.man.is.2.16.meters.tall..Is."
## [8,] "fossil"  "A.30.year.old.scientist.found."
## [9,] "kilo"    "X.Kilo..means"
## [10,] "mm"     "X145.mm..._.m"
## [11,] "food"   "Do.you.agree.that.organic.food"
## [12,] "inseam" "A.person.s.pant.inseam.measure"
## [13,] "weather" "The.weather.forecast.shows.a.h"
## [14,] "electronCharge" "What.is.an.electron.attracted."
## [15,] "earlyHuman" "Early.human.once.lived.with.di"
## [16,] "laser"    "Lasers.work.by.focusing.sound."
## [17,] "continents" "The.continents.have.been.movin"
## [18,] "antibiotics" "Antibiotics.kills.viruses.as.w"
## [19,] "electronSize" "Electrons.are.smaller.than.ato"
## [20,] "earthCenter" "The.center.of.the.earth.is.ver"
## [21,] "religiousView" "My.religious.views.are.more.im"
## [22,] "dailyLife" "For.me..in.my.daily.life..it.i"
## [23,] "SciOnLife" "Science.and.technology.are.mak"
## [24,] "SciEffect" "The.benefits.of.science.are.gr"
```

```
?cbind
```

## Change all missing values (skipped questions) to NA

doing repetitive task one by one is tedious. we can use nested for-loops

```
# dealing with missing values, add 'NA' to empty answers
# nested for-loops
for( i in 1:length(tb[, 1])) { #outer for-loop, i for row, from 1 to the last row
  for( j in 5:length(tb[1, ])) { #inner for-loop, j for column, from 5th to the last column
    # print( paste("i=", i, "j=", j) )
  }
}

#if there is empty cell, we assign a missing value 'NA' there
for( i in 1:length(tb[, 1])) { #outer for-loop
  for( j in 5:length(tb[1, ])) { #inner for-loop
    if ( is.na(tb[i, j]) ) {
      # do nothing
    } else if (tb[i,j]=='') {
      tb[i,j] = NA
    }
  }
}
```

```
table(is.na(tb$age))
```

```
##
## FALSE TRUE
##    317    1
```

```
#indexing features of R
```

```
tb[1:5, 2:3]
```

```
##           gender  age
## 1 Do not wish to answer 18-22
## 2                Male 18-22
## 3                Female 31-40
## 4 Do not wish to answer <NA>
## 5                Female 51-55
```

```
tb$age #what does mean?
```

```
##    [1] "18-22"           "18-22"           "31-40"
##    [4] NA                    "51-55"           "56-60"
##    [7] "18-22"           "41-50"           "31-40"
##   [10] "31-40"           "18-22"           "56-60"
##   [13] "More than 60 years old" "41-50"           "23-30"
##   [16] "23-30"           "23-30"           "18-22"
##   [19] "23-30"           "23-30"           "23-30"
##   [22] "23-30"           "18-22"           "23-30"
##   [25] "31-40"           "23-30"           "23-30"
##   [28] "18-22"           "18-22"           "23-30"
##   [31] "18-22"           "18-22"           "18-22"
##   [34] "18-22"           "18-22"           "18-22"
##   [37] "18-22"           "18-22"           "18-22"
##   [40] "18-22"           "23-30"           "18-22"
##   [43] "18-22"           "18-22"           "18-22"
##   [46] "18-22"           "23-30"           "23-30"
##   [49] "18-22"           "23-30"           "23-30"
##   [52] "23-30"           "18-22"           "18-22"
##   [55] "31-40"           "23-30"           "18-22"
##   [58] "18-22"           "18-22"           "18-22"
##   [61] "18-22"           "18-22"           "23-30"
##   [64] "18-22"           "18-22"           "18-22"
##   [67] "18-22"           "18-22"           "18-22"
##   [70] "31-40"           "18-22"           "18-22"
##   [73] "18-22"           "18-22"           "18-22"
##   [76] "23-30"           "18-22"           "18-22"
##   [79] "18-22"           "18-22"           "18-22"
##   [82] "41-50"           "23-30"           "56-60"
##   [85] "31-40"           "18-22"           "18-22"
##   [88] "56-60"           "18-22"           "31-40"
##   [91] "23-30"           "23-30"           "18-22"
##   [94] "More than 60 years old" "51-55"           "23-30"
##   [97] "More than 60 years old" "23-30"           "18-22"
##  [100] "23-30"           "18-22"           "51-55"
##  [103] "18-22"           "56-60"           "41-50"
##  [106] "More than 60 years old" "18-22"           "18-22"
##  [109] "18-22"           "41-50"           "More than 60 years old"
```

## [112]	"56-60"	"51-55"	"18-22"
## [115]	"18-22"	"41-50"	"23-30"
## [118]	"18-22"	"51-55"	"More than 60 years old"
## [121]	"41-50"	"More than 60 years old"	"More than 60 years old"
## [124]	"More than 60 years old"	"31-40"	"More than 60 years old"
## [127]	"31-40"	"31-40"	"56-60"
## [130]	"56-60"	"56-60"	"56-60"
## [133]	"56-60"	"41-50"	"41-50"
## [136]	"More than 60 years old"	"51-55"	"More than 60 years old"
## [139]	"31-40"	"31-40"	"More than 60 years old"
## [142]	"51-55"	"41-50"	"41-50"
## [145]	"18-22"	"31-40"	"18-22"
## [148]	"51-55"	"41-50"	"41-50"
## [151]	"41-50"	"41-50"	"More than 60 years old"
## [154]	"More than 60 years old"	"18-22"	"56-60"
## [157]	"41-50"	"More than 60 years old"	"51-55"
## [160]	"18-22"	"31-40"	"56-60"
## [163]	"56-60"	"51-55"	"41-50"
## [166]	"31-40"	"23-30"	"51-55"
## [169]	"31-40"	"31-40"	"18-22"
## [172]	"18-22"	"23-30"	"23-30"
## [175]	"51-55"	"31-40"	"31-40"
## [178]	"31-40"	"18-22"	"More than 60 years old"
## [181]	"31-40"	"41-50"	"18-22"
## [184]	"More than 60 years old"	"56-60"	"More than 60 years old"
## [187]	"23-30"	"18-22"	"18-22"
## [190]	"18-22"	"18-22"	"31-40"
## [193]	"23-30"	"18-22"	"18-22"
## [196]	"More than 60 years old"	"18-22"	"31-40"
## [199]	"23-30"	"More than 60 years old"	"More than 60 years old"
## [202]	"18-22"	"23-30"	"41-50"
## [205]	"More than 60 years old"	"More than 60 years old"	"18-22"
## [208]	"41-50"	"31-40"	"31-40"
## [211]	"31-40"	"51-55"	"41-50"
## [214]	"18-22"	"More than 60 years old"	"56-60"
## [217]	"More than 60 years old"	"18-22"	"56-60"
## [220]	"Do not wish to answer"	"23-30"	"41-50"
## [223]	"18-22"	"18-22"	"18-22"
## [226]	"18-22"	"18-22"	"18-22"
## [229]	"18-22"	"18-22"	"18-22"
## [232]	"18-22"	"23-30"	"18-22"
## [235]	"18-22"	"18-22"	"18-22"
## [238]	"18-22"	"18-22"	"18-22"
## [241]	"18-22"	"23-30"	"18-22"
## [244]	"18-22"	"18-22"	"18-22"
## [247]	"18-22"	"18-22"	"18-22"
## [250]	"18-22"	"18-22"	"18-22"
## [253]	"18-22"	"18-22"	"18-22"
## [256]	"18-22"	"18-22"	"18-22"
## [259]	"18-22"	"18-22"	"18-22"
## [262]	"18-22"	"18-22"	"18-22"
## [265]	"18-22"	"18-22"	"18-22"
## [268]	"18-22"	"18-22"	"18-22"
## [271]	"18-22"	"18-22"	"18-22"



```
## [274] "18-22" "18-22" "18-22"
## [277] "18-22" "18-22" "18-22"
## [280] "18-22" "23-30" "18-22"
## [283] "18-22" "18-22" "18-22"
## [286] "18-22" "18-22" "18-22"
## [289] "18-22" "18-22" "18-22"
## [292] "18-22" "18-22" "18-22"
## [295] "18-22" "18-22" "18-22"
## [298] "18-22" "18-22" "18-22"
## [301] "51-55" "More than 60 years old" "More than 60 years old"
## [304] "18-22" "18-22" "18-22"
## [307] "18-22" "51-55" "31-40"
## [310] "31-40" "31-40" "31-40"
## [313] "18-22" "18-22" "18-22"
## [316] "18-22" "18-22" "23-30"
```

```
#tb$age[?] #try for 5th row in age
```

```
#correct some input errors
```

```
# If there is no input of 'age'
```

```
tb$age[is.na(tb$age)] = 'Do not wish to answer'
table(tb$age)
```

```
##
##          18-22          23-30          31-40
##          164           39           31
##          41-50          51-55          56-60
##           22           15           17
## Do not wish to answer More than 60 years old
##           2           28
```

```
?table
```

```
# If there is no input of 'age'
```

```
tb$degree [is.na(tb$degree)] = 'Do not wish to answer'
table(tb$degree)
```

```
##
## Bachelor Degree in Arts or equivalent
##          46
## Bachelor Degree in Science or equivalent
##         125
##          High School or equivalent
##          67
##          M.D. or equivalent
##           2
##          Master Degree or equivalent
##          31
##          Ph.D. or equivalent
##          47
```

```
tb$gender[tb$gender=='']='Do not wish to answer'
table(tb$gender)
```

```
##
## Do not wish to answer          Female          Male
```

Now, we need to convert survey data in characters into numeric scores

First, convert age categories into numeric values

```
##### create a second table, convert character values to numerical values
tb2 = tb[,c(2,4,5)] #this is the score table, empty space before comma indicate every row
head(tb2)
```

```
##           gender           degree           country
## 1 Do not wish to answer Bachelor Degree in Science or equivalent United States
## 2           Male           High School or equivalent United States
## 3           Female           High School or equivalent United States
## 4 Do not wish to answer Bachelor Degree in Science or equivalent United States
## 5           Female           High School or equivalent United States
## 6           Female Bachelor Degree in Arts or equivalent United States
```

```
#calculate the average age for each category
?grep #This is not GRE prep. This is pattern match.
# grep(pattern, x, ignore.case = FALSE, perl = FALSE, value = FALSE,
#       fixed = FALSE, useBytes = FALSE, invert = FALSE)

tb2$age = NA
tb2$age[grep("18-22", tb$age)] = 18/2 + 22/2
tb2$age[grep("23-30", tb$age)] = 23/2 + 30/2
tb2$age[grep("31-40", tb$age)] = 31/2 + 40/2
tb2$age[grep("41-50", tb$age)] = 41/2 + 50/2
tb2$age[grep("51-55", tb$age)] = 51/2 + 55/2
tb2$age[grep("56-60", tb$age)] = 56/2 + 60/2
#> grep("56-60", tb$age)
# [1]  6 12 84 88 104 112 129 130 131 132 133 156 162 163 185 216 219
tb2$age[grep("More than 60 years", tb$age)] = 65
```

Check the age responses

```
table(tb$age) #table is a very useful function (command) for tabulation
```

```
##
##           18-22           23-30           31-40
##           164           39           31
##           41-50           51-55           56-60
##           22           15           17
## Do not wish to answer More than 60 years old
##           2           28
```

```
table(tb2$age)
```

```
##
## 20 26.5 35.5 45.5 53 58 65
## 164 39 31 22 15 17 28
```

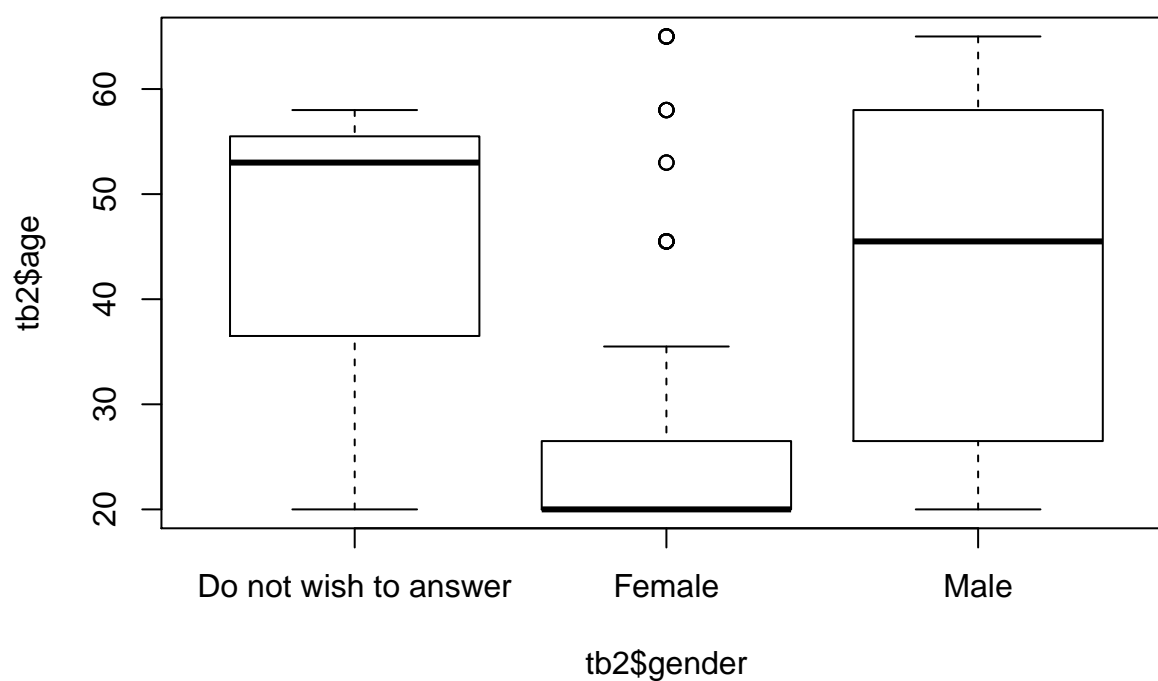
```
#summary(tb2$age)
```

## Visualize the age values

```
table(tb2$age, tb2$gender)
```

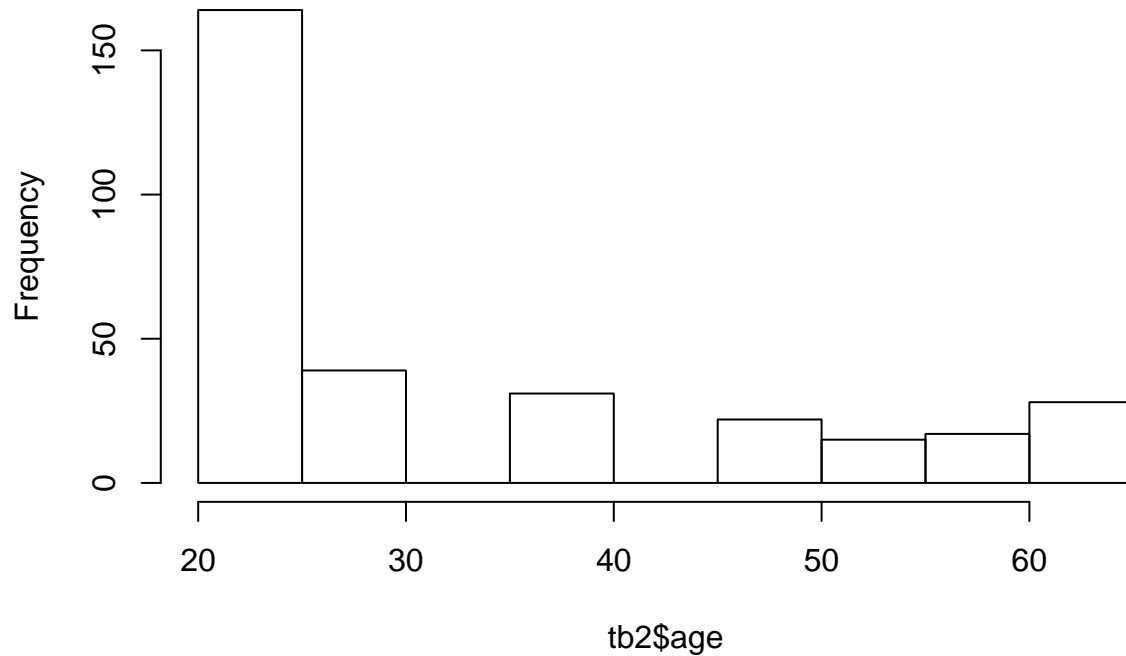
```
##
##      Do not wish to answer Female Male
##    20                      1    144   19
##   26.5                     0     24   15
##   35.5                     0     15   16
##   45.5                     0     10   12
##   53                      1      3   11
##   58                      1      5   11
##   65                      0      7   21
```

```
boxplot( tb2$age ~ tb2$gender)
```



```
#histogram of age
hist(tb2$age)
```

## Histogram of tb2\$age



## Convert country responses into values

```
table( tb$country ) #All the inputed 'countries'
```

```
##
##      Armenia      Australia      Bahamas      Canada
##           1           5           2           3
##      China      Croatia      Estonia      Ethiopia
##           3           1           1           1
##      France      Germany      Ghana      Guyana
##           1           1           1           1
##      India      Jamaica      Kenya      Lebanon
##           1           1           2           1
##      Mexico      New Zealand      Norway      Poland
##           1           1           1           3
## Russian Federation      Rwanda      Senegal      South Africa
##           2           2           1           2
##      Syria  Trinidad & Tobago      United Kingdom      United States
##           1           3           9           264
```

```
tb2$country = 0 #for non-USA countries
tb2$country[tb$country=='United States'] = 1
table( tb2$country )
```

```
##
##  0  1
## 54 264
```

```
#have a look at some entries
head(tb2)
```

```
##
## 1 Do not wish to answer Bachelor Degree in Science or equivalent 1 20.0
## 2 Male High School or equivalent 1 20.0
## 3 Female High School or equivalent 1 35.5
## 4 Do not wish to answer Bachelor Degree in Science or equivalent 1 NA
## 5 Female High School or equivalent 1 53.0
## 6 Female Bachelor Degree in Arts or equivalent 1 58.0
```

```
#double-check the columns
names(tb2)
```

```
## [1] "gender" "degree" "country" "age"
```

## The survey contains by 3 categories of questions

- 1) Metric proficiency
- 2) Scientific literacy
- 3) Attitude toward science

To calculate the score of each category separately, we need to identify these columns.

```
### Here are the columns for the 3 categories
metrics = c("shaq", "kilo", "mm", "inseam", "weather")
sciLiteracy = c("light", "fossil", "food", "electronCharge",
               "earlyHuman", "laser", "continents", "antibiotics",
               "electronSize", "earthCenter")
sciAttitude = c("religiousView", "dailyLife", "SciOnLife", "SciEffect")
```

## Calculate the metric-proficiency scores

```
tb2$shaq = 0
tb2$shaq[ tb$shaq=='Yes' ] = 1
tb2$shaq[ tb$shaq=='No' ] = 0
table(tb2$shaq)
```

```
##
## 0 1
## 91 227
```

```
tb2$kilo = 0
tb2$kilo[ tb$kilo=='1000 x' ] = 1
table(tb2$kilo)
```

```
##
## 0 1
## 31 287
```

```
tb2$mm=0
tb2$mm[ tb$mm==0.145 ] = 1
table(tb2$mm)
```

```
##
## 0 1
```

```
## 118 200
table(tb$mm)

##
##          0.0145          0.145          1.45          145000 I do not know.
##          35          200          72          7          1

tb2$inseam = 0
tb2$inseam[tb$inseam=="This person is short"] = 1
tb2$inseam[tb$inseam=="This person is tall"] = 0
table(tb2$inseam)

##
##    0    1
## 112 206

tb2$weather = 0
tb2$weather[tb$weather=="A Short sleeve shirt"] = 1
#tb2$weather[tb$weather=="A winter coat"] = 0
#tb2$weather[tb$weather=="A light jacket"] = 0
table(tb$weather)

##
##          A light jacket A Short sleeve shirt          A winter coat
##              44              204              40
##          I don't know
##              29

table(tb2$weather)

##
##    0    1
## 114 204
```

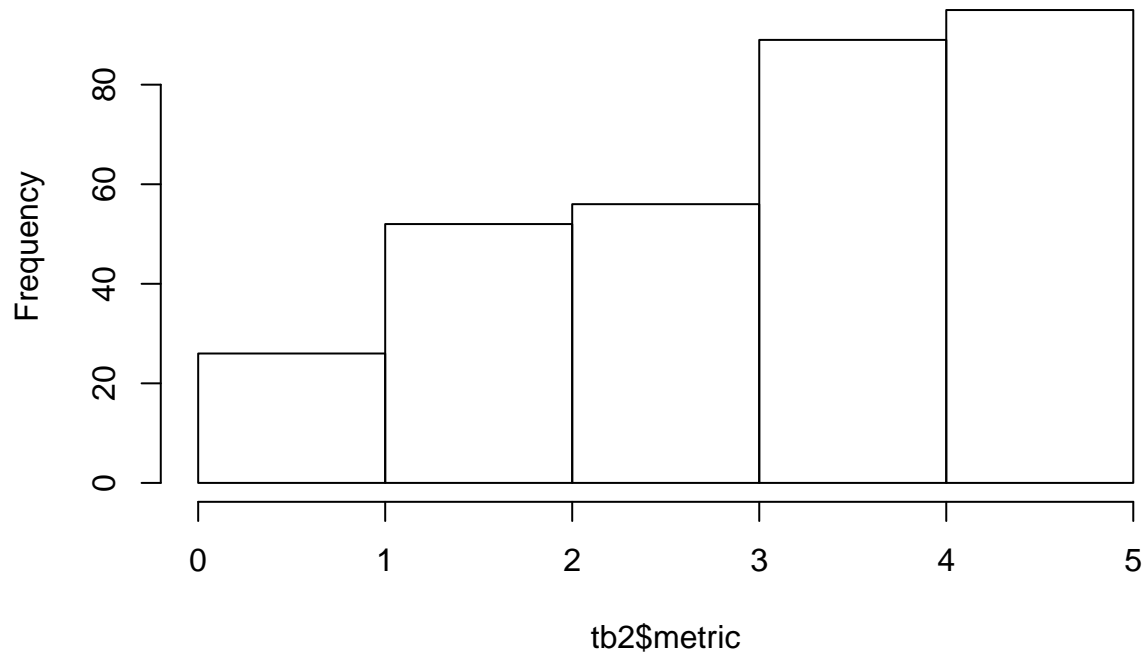
Summarize the metric proficiency score by rows.

```
# metrics = c("shaq", "kilo", "mm", "inseam", "weather")
# metric total score
print(paste("metrics are: ", metrics));

## [1] "metrics are: shaq"      "metrics are: kilo"      "metrics are: mm"
## [4] "metrics are: inseam"    "metrics are: weather"

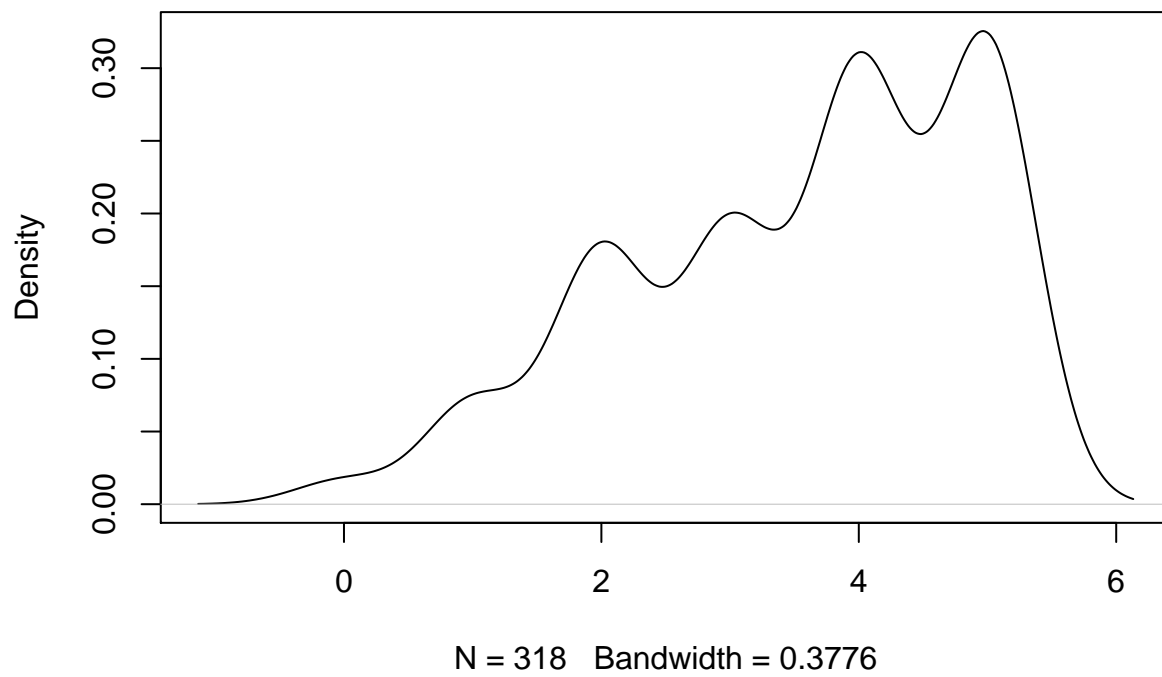
tb2$metric = apply( tb2[ , metrics], MARGIN=1, FUN=sum )
hist(tb2$metric, br=5 )
```

**Histogram of tb2\$metric**



```
plot( density(tb2$metric) )
```

**density.default(x = tb2\$metric)**



```
#hist(tb2$metric, br=5, probability = TRUE )
```

## Calcualte the science attitude scores

```
#sciAttitude = c("religiousView", "dailyLife", "SciOnLife", "SciEffect")
# "My religious views are more important than scientific views
tb2$religiousView = 0
tb2$religiousView[grepl("No", tb$religiousView)] = 1
tb2$religiousView[grepl("Yes", tb$religiousView)] = 0
table(tb2$religiousView)
```

```
##
##    0    1
## 162 156
```

```
table(tb$religiousView)
```

```
##
## I do not know          No          Yes
##           29          156          130
```

```
# "For me, in my daily life, it is not important to know about science"
tb2$dailyLife = 0
tb2$dailyLife[ tb$dailyLife=='TRUE' ] = 0
tb2$dailyLife[ tb$dailyLife=='FALSE' ] = 1
table(tb2$dailyLife)
```

```
##
##    0    1
##   90 228
```

```
# "Science and technology are making our lives healthiers, easiers and more comfortable."
tb2$SciOnLife = 0
tb2$SciOnLife[ tb$SciOnLife=='TRUE' ] = 1
tb2$SciOnLife[ tb$SciOnLife=='FALSE' ] = 0
table(tb2$SciOnLife)
```

```
##
##    0    1
##   47 271
```

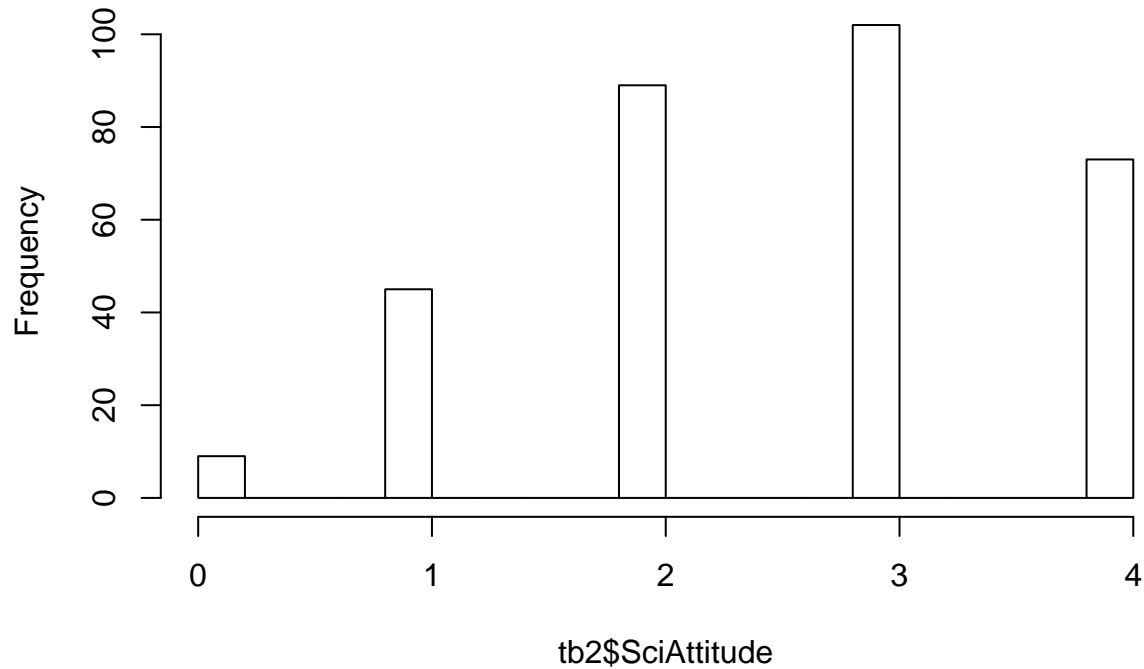
```
# "The benefits of sciences are greater than any harmful effects that it may have."
tb2$SciEffect = 0
tb2$SciEffect[ tb$SciEffect=='TRUE' ] = 1
tb2$SciEffect[ tb$SciEffect=='FALSE' ] = 0
table( tb2$SciEffect )
```

```
##
##    0    1
## 152 166
```

```
#sciAttitude = c("religiousView", "dailyLife", "SciOnLife", "SciEffect")
#Attitude total score
tb2$SciAttitude = apply( tb2[, sciAttitude], MARGIN=1, FUN=sum)
hist(tb2$SciAttitude, br=20)
```



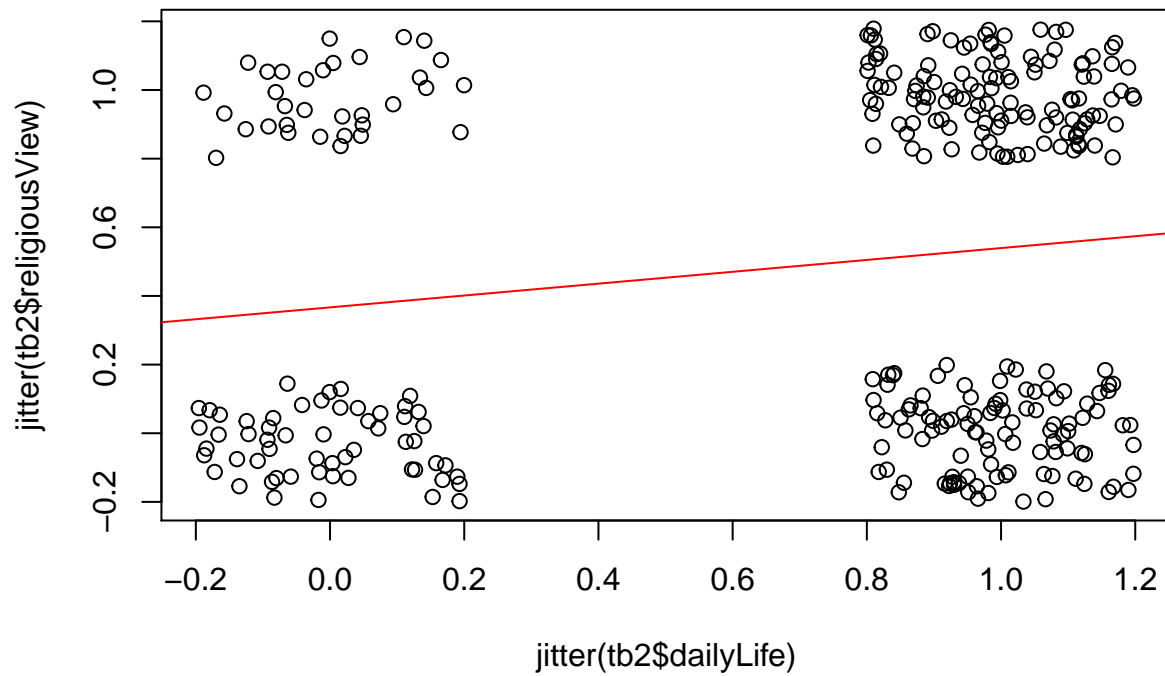
## Histogram of tb2\$SciAttitude



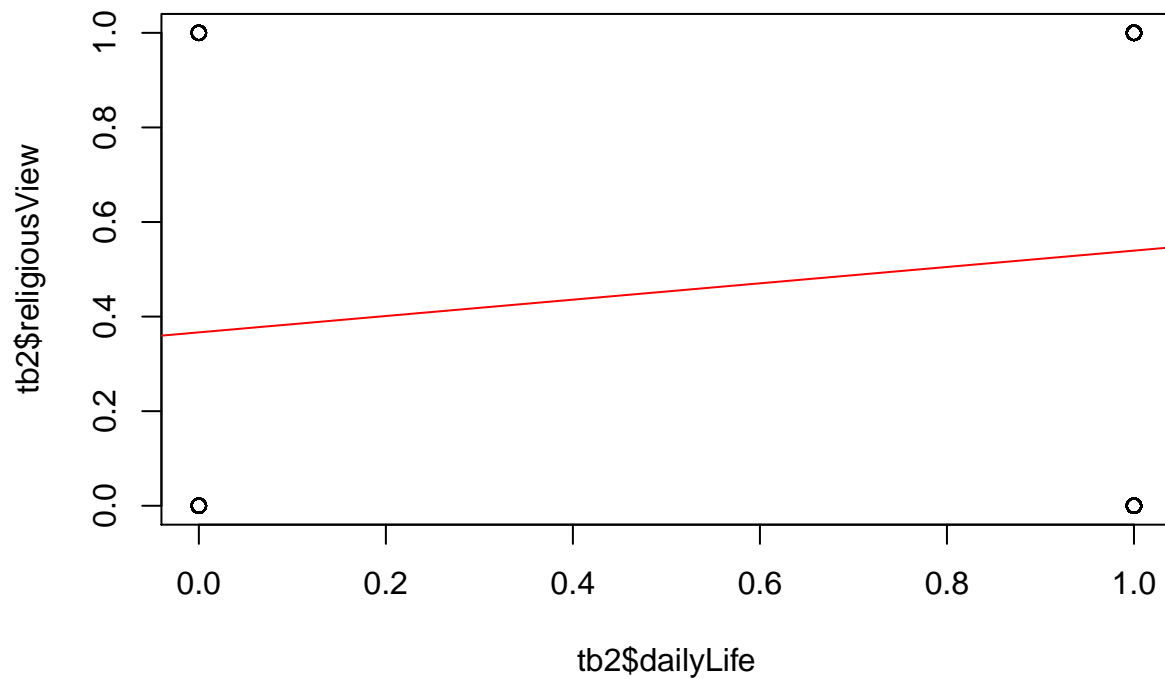
## Do responses to religious questions correlate?

```
m = lm ( tb2$religiousView ~ tb2$dailyLife)
summary( m )

##
## Call:
## lm(formula = tb2$religiousView ~ tb2$dailyLife)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -0.5395 -0.5395 -0.3667  0.4605  0.6333
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)   0.36667    0.05222   7.022 1.34e-11 ***
## tb2$dailyLife  0.17281    0.06167   2.802  0.00539 **
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 0.4954 on 316 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.02425,    Adjusted R-squared:  0.02116
## F-statistic: 7.852 on 1 and 316 DF,  p-value: 0.005388
plot( jitter(tb2$religiousView) ~ jitter(tb2$dailyLife))
abline(m, col="red")
```



```
plot( tb2$religiousView ~ tb2$dailyLife )
abline(m, col="red")
```



```
table(tb2$religiousView , tb2$dailyLife )
```

```
##
##      0      1
## 0  57 105
## 1  33 123
```

## Fisher exact test on 2x2 table

```
table(tb2$religiousView , tb2$dailyLife )

##
##      0   1
## 0  57 105
## 1  33 123

RVTable = as.matrix( table(tb2$religiousView , tb2$dailyLife ) )
str(RVTable)

## 'table' int [1:2, 1:2] 57 33 105 123
## - attr(*, "dimnames")=List of 2
## ..$ : chr [1:2] "0" "1"
## ..$ : chr [1:2] "0" "1"

fisher.test(RVTable)

##
## Fisher's Exact Test for Count Data
##
## data: RVTable
## p-value = 0.006176
## alternative hypothesis: true odds ratio is not equal to 1
## 95 percent confidence interval:
##  1.191508 3.461041
## sample estimates:
## odds ratio
##  2.018893
```

## Calculate scientific literacy

```
#sciLiteracy = c("light", "fossil", "food", "electronCharge",
#                "earlyHuman", "laser", "continents", "antibiotics", "electronSize", "earthCenter")
tb2$light = 0
tb2$light[ tb$light=='TRUE' ] =1
tb2$light[ tb$light=='Wrong' ] =0
table(tb$light)

##
## I don't know.      TRUE      Wrong
##           23      245      48

table(tb2$light)

##
##      0   1
## 73 245

tb2$fossil = 0
tb2$fossil[ tb$fossil=='6 million and 5 years old' ] = 0
tb2$fossil[ grep('Still', tb$fossil) ] = 1;
table(tb$fossil)

##
```

```
##          6 million and 5 years old          I don't know
##                                117                                17
## Still about 6 million years old.
##                                182
```

```
table(tb2$fossil)
```

```
##
##    0    1
## 136 182
```

```
tb2$food = 0
tb2$food[ tb$food=='Dis-agree' ] = 1
tb2$food[ grep('Agree', tb$food) ] = 0;
table(tb$food)
```

```
##
##      Agree      Dis-agree I don't know
##        49          179          90
```

```
table(tb2$food)
```

```
##
##    0    1
## 139 179
```

```
tb2$electronCharge = 0
tb2$electronCharge[ grep('Positive', tb$electronCharge) ] = 1;
table(tb$electronCharge)
```

```
##
##      Electricity  Negative charge      Neutron Positive charge
##                9             47             31             230
```

```
table(tb2$electronCharge)
```

```
##
##    0    1
##   88 230
```

```
tb2$earlyHuman = 0
tb2$earlyHuman[ grep('TRUE', tb$earlyHuman) ] = 0;
tb2$earlyHuman[ grep('FALSE', tb$earlyHuman) ] = 1;
table(tb$earlyHuman)
```

```
##
##      FALSE I do not know.      TRUE
##        229          37          52
```

```
table(tb2$earlyHuman)
```

```
##
##    0    1
##   89 229
```

```
tb2$earlyHuman = 0
tb2$earlyHuman[ grep('TRUE', tb$earlyHuman) ] = 0;
tb2$earlyHuman[ grep('FALSE', tb$earlyHuman) ] = 1;
table(tb$earlyHuman)
```

```
##
##          FALSE I do not know.          TRUE
##          229             37             52
table(tb2$earlyHuman)

##
##    0    1
## 89 229

tb2$laser = 0
tb2$laser[grepl('TRUE', tb$laser)] = 0;
tb2$laser[grepl('FALSE', tb$laser)] = 1;
table(tb$laser)

##
##          FALSE I do not know.          TRUE
##          208             69             41
table(tb2$laser)

##
##    0    1
## 110 208

tb2$continents = 0
tb2$continents[grepl('TRUE', tb$continents)] = 1;
tb2$continents[grepl('FALSE', tb$continents)] = 0;
table(tb$continents)

##
##          FALSE I do not know.          TRUE
##           11             16             290
table(tb2$continents)

##
##    0    1
## 28 290

tb2$antibiotics = 0
tb2$antibiotics[grepl('TRUE', tb$antibiotics)] = 0;
tb2$antibiotics[grepl('FALSE', tb$antibiotics)] = 1;
table(tb$antibiotics)

##
##          FALSE I do not know.          TRUE
##          221             19             78
table(tb2$antibiotics)

##
##    0    1
## 97 221

tb2$electronSize = 0
tb2$electronSize[grepl('True', tb$electronSize)] = 1;
tb2$electronSize[grepl('FALSE', tb$electronSize)] = 0;
table(tb$electronSize)

##
```

```
##          FALSE I do no know.          True
##          61          22          234
```

```
table(tb2$electronSize)
```

```
##
##    0    1
## 84 234
```

```
tb2$earthCenter = 0
tb2$earthCenter[grep('TRUE', tb$earthCenter)] = 1;
tb2$earthCenter[grep('FALSE', tb$earthCenter)] = 0;
table(tb$earthCenter)
```

```
##
##          FALSE I do not know.          TRUE
##          14          18          285
```

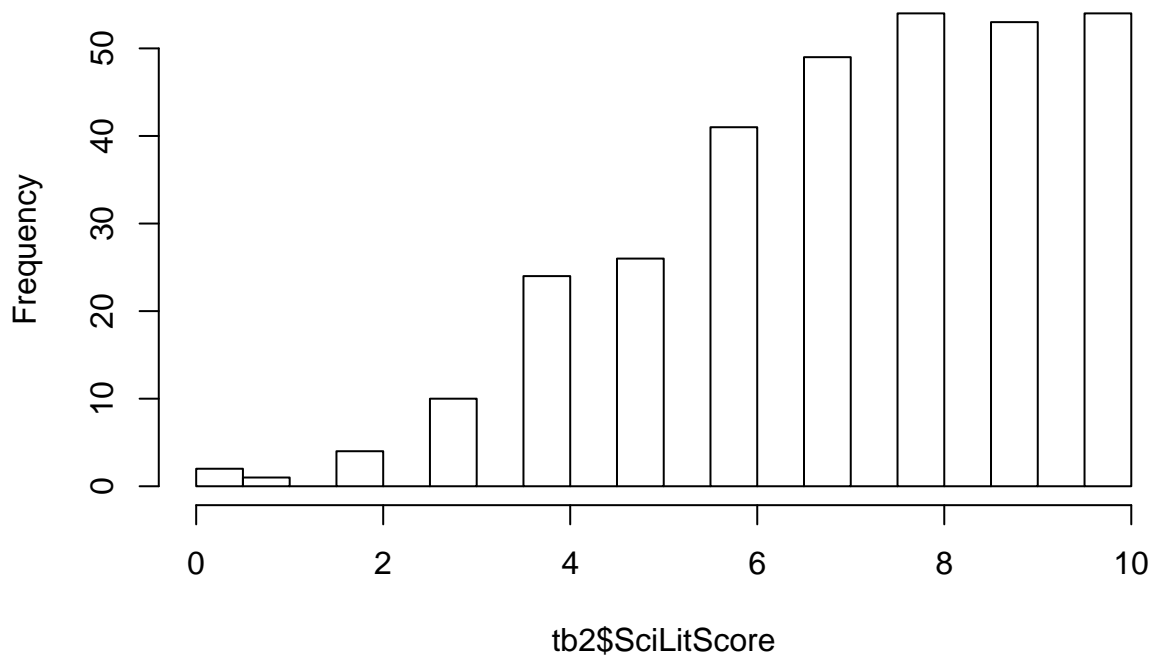
```
table(tb2$earthCenter)
```

```
##
##    0    1
## 33 285
```

```
#sciLiteracy = c("light", "fossil", "food", "electronCharge",
#                "earlyHuman", "laser", "continents", "antibiotics", "electronSize", "earthCenter")
```

```
tb2$SciLitScore = apply( tb2[, sciLiteracy], MARGIN=1, FUN=sum ) #by row
hist(tb2$SciLitScore, br=20)
```

## Histogram of tb2\$SciLitScore



```
str(tb2)
```

```
## 'data.frame': 318 obs. of 26 variables:
```

```
## $ gender      : chr "Do not wish to answer" "Male" "Female" "Do not wish to answer" ...
## $ degree      : chr "Bachelor Degree in Science or equivalent" "High School or equivalent" "High
## $ country     : num 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 0 ...
## $ age         : num 20 20 35.5 NA 53 58 20 45.5 35.5 35.5 ...
## $ shaq        : num 1 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 1 0 ...
## $ kilo        : num 1 1 0 1 0 1 0 1 1 1 ...
## $ mm          : num 1 1 0 1 1 1 0 1 1 0 ...
## $ inseam      : num 0 1 1 1 0 1 0 1 1 1 ...
## $ weather     : num 0 1 0 0 0 1 0 1 1 1 ...
## $ metric      : num 3 4 1 4 1 4 0 4 5 3 ...
## $ religiousView : num 0 0 0 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 ...
## $ dailyLife    : num 1 1 0 1 1 1 0 1 1 1 ...
## $ SciOnLife    : num 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 ...
## $ SciEffect    : num 1 1 0 0 0 1 0 0 1 1 ...
## $ SciAttitude  : num 3 3 1 3 3 4 2 3 4 4 ...
## $ light       : num 1 1 1 0 0 0 1 0 1 1 ...
## $ fossil       : num 0 0 0 1 0 1 0 1 1 0 ...
## $ food         : num 0 1 1 1 1 1 0 1 1 1 ...
## $ electronCharge : num 0 1 1 1 0 1 1 1 1 1 ...
## $ earlyHuman   : num 1 1 0 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 ...
## $ laser        : num 0 1 1 1 1 1 0 1 0 1 ...
## $ continents   : num 1 1 1 1 0 1 1 1 1 1 ...
## $ antibiotics  : num 1 1 1 1 0 1 1 1 1 1 ...
## $ electronSize : num 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 ...
## $ earthCenter  : num 1 1 1 1 0 1 1 1 1 1 ...
## $ SciLitScore  : num 6 9 8 9 4 9 7 9 9 9 ...
```

## Output the ‘cleaned’ data to a csv file

```
tb3 = tb2[, c("gender", "age", "country", "degree", "metric", "SciAttitude", "SciLitScore")]
head(tb3)
```

```
##           gender age country           degree
## 1 Do not wish to answer 20.0      1 Bachelor Degree in Science or equivalent
## 2           Male 20.0      1           High School or equivalent
## 3           Female 35.5      1           High School or equivalent
## 4 Do not wish to answer  NA      1 Bachelor Degree in Science or equivalent
## 5           Female 53.0      1           High School or equivalent
## 6           Female 58.0      1   Bachelor Degree in Arts or equivalent
##   metric SciAttitude SciLitScore
## 1      3           3           6
## 2      4           3           9
## 3      1           1           8
## 4      4           3           9
## 5      1           3           4
## 6      4           4           9
```

```
write.csv(tb3, file = "metric-attitude-literacy.csv", row.names = FALSE, quote=TRUE)
```