

Lecture 2.3 – Reading and Writing Files

Specific Learning Objectives:

3.1 – Load, clean, and organize data in R.

Using Spreadsheets Safely

- I probably can't convince you to not use spreadsheets, so you may as well use them SAFELY (so you can't upload the data to R later).
- Align your data in the upper left, leaving no extra columns on either side.

DON'T 🙅

The screenshot shows a spreadsheet with a green header bar and a ribbon menu. The data table is centered, with empty columns to the left and right. The data table is as follows:

Re	Rep	Orient	current	Model	Speed
1.59	1 B		0 C		0.43839515
1.59	2 B		0 C		0.51984394
1.59	3 B		0 C		0.4109238
1.83	1 B		4 C		0.5698963
1.83	2 B		4 C		0.72409106
1.83	3 B		4 C		0.57350835
2.82	1 B		15 C		1.10059978
2.82	2 B		15 C		1.53748625
2.82	3 B		15 C		1.27945825
0.57	1 B		0 C		0.08905971
0.57	2 B		0 C		0.12984493
0.57	3 B		0 C		0.07397596
0.23	1 B		4 C		0.04501641
0.23	2 B		4 C		0.03796072
0.23	3 B		4 C		0.04804528
0.94	1 B		15 C		0.16302115

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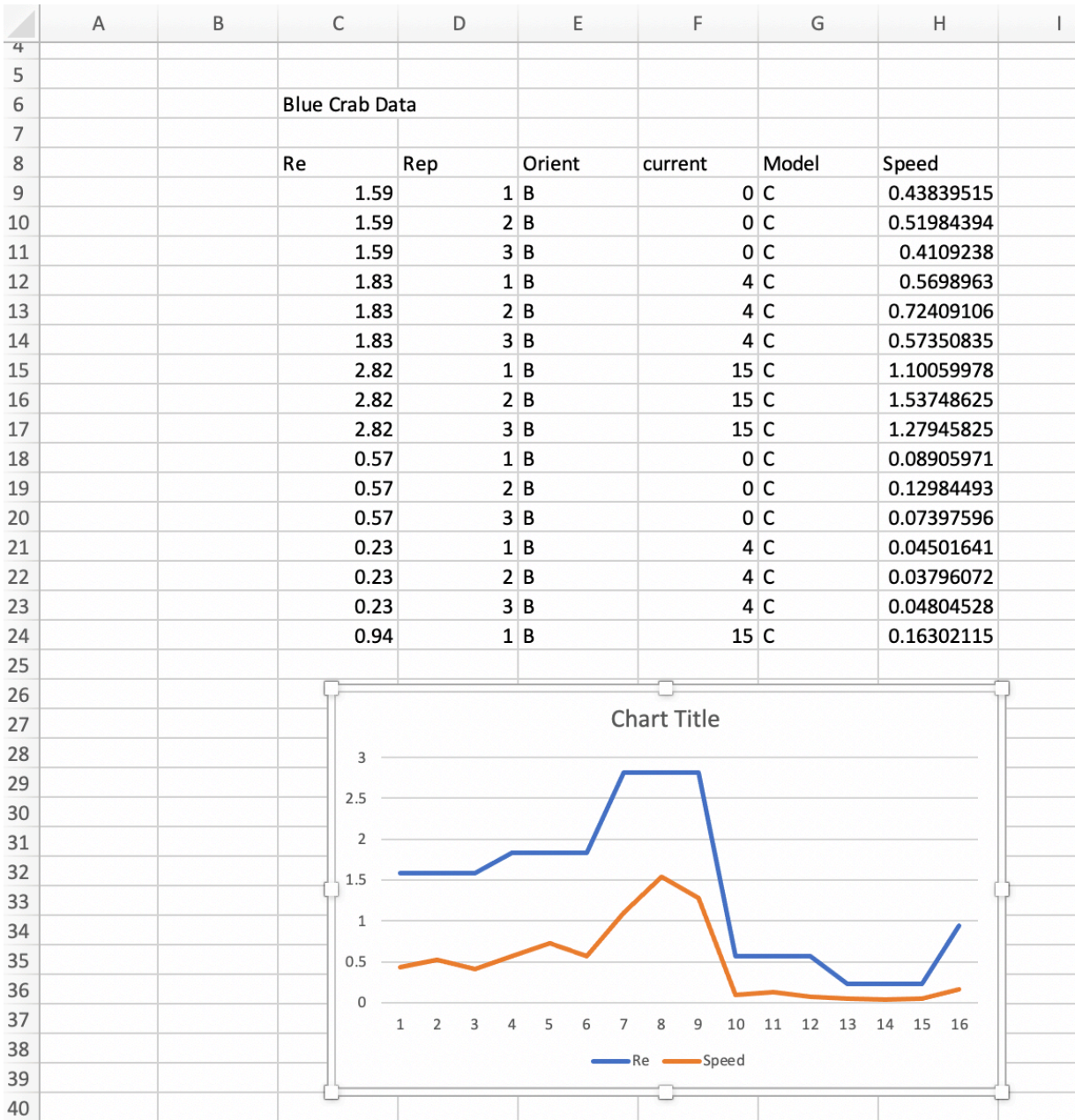
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1.59	1 B		0 C		0.43839515
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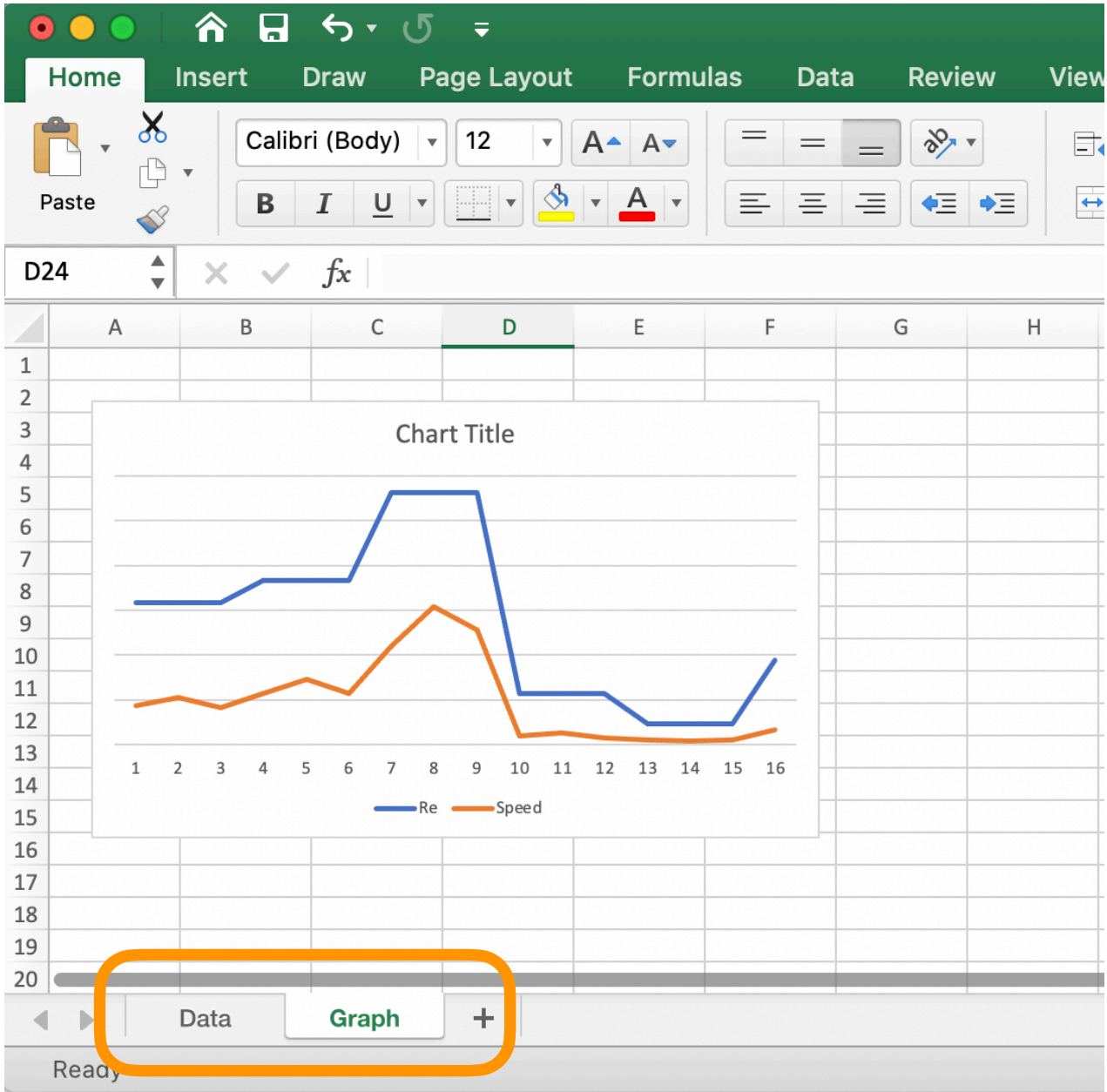
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- Put objects like charts and graphs on a separate sheet from the data.

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Using Spreadsheets Safely

- Only put one data set per sheet.

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J6 Baby crab data

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q
2																	
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4																	
5																	
6			Blue Crab Data							Baby crab data							
7																	
8			Re	Rep	Orient	current	Model	Speed		number	size (mm)	log size	sex	Hair diameter	Hair length	Cuticle thickness	
9			1.59		1 B		0 C	0.43839515		1	27	3.29583687	m	8.10E-06	648	7.68E-07	
10			1.59		2 B		0 C	0.51984394		2	8.5	2.14006616	f	6.73E-06	465	7.19E-07	
11			1.59		3 B		0 C	0.4109238		3	11	2.39789527	f				
12			1.83		1 B		4 C	0.5698963		4	5	1.60943791	f	5.68E-06	374		
13			1.83		2 B		4 C	0.72409106		5	11.5	2.44234704	m	7.44E-06	484	8.74E-07	
14			1.83		3 B		4 C	0.57350835		6	28	3.33220451	m	8.49E-06	660	1.01E-06	
15			2.82		1 B		15 C	1.10059978		7	25	3.21887582	f	8.01E-06	543	1.01E-06	
16			2.82		2 B		15 C	1.53748625		8	15	2.7080502	m	7.00E-06	505	7.04E-07	
17			2.82		3 B		15 C	1.27945825		9	22	3.09104245	f	8.81E-06	552		
18			0.57		1 B		0 C	0.08905971		10	4.9	1.58923521	m	5.69E-06	347	6.39E-07	
19			0.57		2 B		0 C	0.12984493		11	5.85	1.76644166	m	5.16E-06	356		
20			0.57		3 B		0 C	0.07397596		12	7.12	1.96290773	m	5.53E-06	400	6.31E-07	
21			0.23		1 B		4 C	0.04501641		13	16	2.77258872	m	8.38E-06	435	7.91E-07	
22			0.23		2 B		4 C	0.03796072		14	13	2.56494936	f	7.75E-06	468	5.93E-07	
23			0.23		3 B		4 C	0.04804528									
24			0.94		1 B		15 C	0.16302115									
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	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I
1	number	size (mm)	log size	sex	Hair diameter	Hair length	Cuticle thickness		
2	1	27	3.29583687	m	8.10E-06	648	7.68E-07		
3	2	8.5	2.14006616	f	6.73E-06	465	7.19E-07		
4	3	11	2.39789527	f					
5	4	5	1.60943791	f	5.68E-06	374			
6	5	11.5	2.44234704	m	7.44E-06	484	8.74E-07		
7	6	28	3.33220451	m	8.49E-06	660	1.01E-06		
8	7	25	3.21887582	f	8.01E-06	543	1.01E-06		
9	8	15	2.7080502	m	7.00E-06	505	7.04E-07		
10	9	22	3.09104245	f	8.81E-06	552			
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BlueCrabData **BabyCrabData** +

Using Spreadsheets Safely

- Use plain text and avoid special characters and inserting things like pictures, clipart, and video.



- If you need to write notes, make a “comments” column and restrict text to that column. Don’t write comments in random cells!
- If a column should be numeric, make sure ALL data is numeric in that column.
- Any calculations should (ideally) go in another sheet.

Check Your Understanding

Import the data set in `tomatohaul2021.csv` as `tomato.data`. The first column should be row names, the dates should be characters, and there is a header.

Check Your Understanding

Use the pipe operator to create `babycrab.clean` object that takes `babycrab.data` and cleans it with each of the cleaning steps at once but in this order:

1. cleans column names
2. removes empty rows and columns
3. removes all rows with NA values

Check Your Understanding

Pick a data frame from `data()` and save it as a csv file in the `data/` folder.

In-class Exercises

1. **Work on Assignment 2.2 using R Markdown.**

Action Items

- 1. Complete Assignment 2.2 using R Markdown.**
- 2. Read Davies Chapter 8 and Chang Chapters 1-2 for next time.**