

Lab 1:

Introduction to R

Outline

- Install R and data packages
- Basic commands
- Example of preliminary analysis of a dataset

Install R and data packages

Install R

- <https://www.r-project.org/>



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The R Project for Statistical Computing

Getting Started

R is a free software environment for statistical computing and graphics. It compiles and runs on a wide variety of UNIX platforms, Windows and MacOS. To [download R](#), please choose your preferred [CRAN mirror](#).

If you have questions about R like how to download and install the software, or what the license terms are, please read our [answers to frequently asked questions](#) before you send an email.

News

- [R version 4.1.1 \(Kick Things\)](#) has been released on 2021-08-10.
- [R version 4.0.5 \(Shake and Throw\)](#) was released on 2021-03-31.
- Thanks to the organisers of useR! 2020 for a successful online conference. Recorded tutorials and talks from the conference are available on the [R Consortium YouTube channel](#).
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Install Rstudio Desktop (Optional)

- <https://www.rstudio.com/products/rstudio/download/>

RStudio Desktop 1.4.1717 - Release Notes

1. Install R. RStudio requires R 3.0.1+.
2. Download RStudio Desktop. Recommended for your system:



DOWNLOAD RSTUDIO FOR WINDOWS
1.4.1717 | 156.18MB

Requires Windows 10 (64-bit)



Data Sets Used in Labs and Exercises

- ISLR2:
 - Data for an Introduction to Statistical Learning with Applications in R
 - <https://cran.r-project.org/package=ISLR2>
- The MASS library
 - Functions and datasets to support Venables and Ripley's MASS
 - <https://cran.r-project.org/package=MASS>
- Base R

| Name | Description |
|-------------|---|
| Auto | Gas mileage, horsepower, and other information for cars. |
| Bikeshare | Hourly usage of a bike sharing program in Washington, DC. |
| Boston | Housing values and other information about Boston census tracts. |
| BrainCancer | Survival times for patients diagnosed with brain cancer. |
| Caravan | Information about individuals offered caravan insurance. |
| Carseats | Information about car seat sales in 400 stores. |
| College | Demographic characteristics, tuition, and more for USA colleges. |
| Credit | Information about credit card debt for 10,000 customers. |
| Default | Customer default records for a credit card company. |
| Fund | Returns of 2,000 hedge fund managers over 50 months. |
| Hitters | Records and salaries for baseball players. |
| Khan | Gene expression measurements for four cancer types. |
| NCI60 | Gene expression measurements for 64 cancer cell lines. |
| NYSE | Returns, volatility, and volume for the New York Stock Exchange. |
| OJ | Sales information for Citrus Hill and Minute Maid orange juice. |
| Portfolio | Past values of financial assets, for use in portfolio allocation. |
| Publication | Time to publication for 244 clinical trials. |
| Smarket | Daily percentage returns for S&P 500 over a 5-year period. |
| USArrests | Crime statistics per 100,000 residents in 50 states of USA. |
| Wage | Income survey data for men in central Atlantic region of USA. |
| Weekly | 1,089 weekly stock market returns for 21 years. |

Install ISLR2 Package

- Manual download with R
 - Click **Packages & Data** → **Package Installer** → input the package name → select a mirror site
- Manual download with Rstudio
 - Click **Tools** → **Install package** → install from CRAN/local archive file
- By R command line
 - `install.packages("ISLR2")`

Basic commands

Vector

- Insert vector using function `c()`
- Check length of vector using `length()`

```
> x <- c(1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9)
```

```
> x
```

```
[1] 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
```

```
> length(x)
```

```
[1] 9
```

Matrix

- Declare a matrix using function `matrix()`
- Use `byrow =TRUE/FALSE` to specify order
- Use `dim()` to find dimension of a matrix

Matrix

```
> x <- matrix (data = c(1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6), nrow = 2, ncol = 3)
```

```
> x
```

```
      [,1] [,2] [,3]
```

```
[1,]  1  3  5
```

```
[2,]  2  4  6
```

```
> x <- matrix (data = c(1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6), nrow = 2, ncol = 3, byrow = TRUE)
```

```
> x
```

```
      [,1] [,2] [,3]
```

```
[1,]  1  2  3
```

```
[2,]  4  5  6
```

```
> x <- matrix (data = c(1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6), nrow = 2, ncol = 3, byrow = FALSE)
```

```
> x
```

```
      [,1] [,2] [,3]
```

```
[1,]  1  3  5
```

```
[2,]  2  4  6
```

```
> dim(x)
```

```
[1] 2 3
```

Select Elements in A Matrix

```
> A <- matrix(1:16, 4, 4)
```

```
> A
```

```
      [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4]
[1,]     1     5     9    13
[2,]     2     6    10    14
[3,]     3     7    11    15
[4,]     4     8    12    16
```

```
> A[2, 3]
```

```
[1] 10
```

```
> A[c(1, 3), c(2, 4)]
```

```
      [,1] [,2]
[1,]     5    13
[2,]     7    15
```

```
> A[1:2,]
```

```
      [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4]
[1,]     1     5     9    13
[2,]     2     6    10    14
```

```
> A[, 1]
```

```
[1] 1 2 3 4
```

```
> A[, 1:2]
```

```
      [,1] [,2]
[1,]     1     5
[2,]     2     6
[3,]     3     7
[4,]     4     8
```

```
> A[-1,]
```

```
      [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4]
[1,]     2     6    10    14
[2,]     3     7    11    15
[3,]     4     8    12    16
```

```
> A[-c(1, 2),]
```

```
      [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4]
[1,]     3     7    11    15
[2,]     4     8    12    16
```

Generate Random Numbers

- Generate random numbers from a standard normal distribution using `rnorm(n)`

```
> y <- rnorm(20)
```

```
> y
```

```
[1] -1.09460899  0.22386861 -0.20583813 -1.11530919  0.58994271 -2.06441523  1.39271334  
[8] -0.23312401 -0.10541311 -0.63185659  0.25970922  0.43194340 -0.04194421  0.09849715  
[15] -0.50593705  1.15531491 -1.14990503 -0.26525399  0.87302274  0.12407061
```

- Calculate `mean()`, `var()`, `sd()` of random numbers

```
> mean(y)
```

```
[1] -0.1132261
```

```
> var(y)
```

```
[1] 0.7009881
```

```
> sd(y)
```

```
[1] 0.8372503
```

Set the Seed of Random Number Generator

- Set the seed of random number generator using `set.seed`
- To reproduce the exact same set of random numbers, use the same seed

```
> set.seed(1)
> rnorm(5)
[1] -0.6264538  0.1836433 -0.8356286  1.5952808  0.3295078
> rnorm(5)
[1] -0.8204684  0.4874291  0.7383247  0.5757814 -0.3053884
> set.seed(1)
> rnorm(5)
[1] -0.6264538  0.1836433 -0.8356286  1.5952808  0.3295078
```

Example of preliminary analysis of a dataset

Load Dataset

- To load a data set in the **ISLR2** package or other packages/libraries, you only need to load the package
 - > library (ISLR2)
- To load an external data set, first specify the directory, **Misc** → **Change Working Directory**
 - If the data are saved as a text file
 - > Auto <- read.table("Auto.data", header=T, na.strings="?", stringsAsFactors=T)
 - If the data are saved as a csv file (Excel)
 - > College <- read.csv("College.csv", na.strings="?", stringsAsFactors=T)
- Try loading external data files using datasets available on the textbook website <https://www.statlearning.com/resources-second-edition>

View Data

Then, check a dataset by typing its name in console or `view()`

| | mpg | cylinders | displacement | horsepower | weight | acceleration | year | origin | name |
|----|-----|-----------|--------------|------------|--------|--------------|------|--------|---------------------------|
| 1 | 18 | 8 | 307.0 | 130 | 3504 | 12.0 | 70 | 1 | chevrolet chevelle malibu |
| 2 | 15 | 8 | 350.0 | 165 | 3693 | 11.5 | 70 | 1 | buick skylark 320 |
| 3 | 18 | 8 | 318.0 | 150 | 3436 | 11.0 | 70 | 1 | plymouth satellite |
| 4 | 16 | 8 | 304.0 | 150 | 3433 | 12.0 | 70 | 1 | amc rebel sst |
| 5 | 17 | 8 | 302.0 | 140 | 3449 | 10.5 | 70 | 1 | ford torino |
| 6 | 15 | 8 | 429.0 | 198 | 4341 | 10.0 | 70 | 1 | ford galaxie 500 |
| 7 | 14 | 8 | 454.0 | 220 | 4354 | 9.0 | 70 | 1 | chevrolet impala |
| 8 | 14 | 8 | 440.0 | 215 | 4312 | 8.5 | 70 | 1 | plymouth fury iii |
| 9 | 14 | 8 | 455.0 | 225 | 4425 | 10.0 | 70 | 1 | pontiac catalina |
| 10 | 15 | 8 | 390.0 | 190 | 3850 | 8.5 | 70 | 1 | amc ambassador dpl |
| 11 | 15 | 8 | 383.0 | 170 | 3563 | 10.0 | 70 | 1 | dodge challenger se |
| 12 | 14 | 8 | 340.0 | 160 | 3609 | 8.0 | 70 | 1 | plymouth 'cuda 340 |

Dimension & Variables

- Type `names(datasetname)`, e.g., `names(Auto)`, to list all attributes (column names) of the table

```
> names(Auto)
```

```
[1] "mpg"           "cylinders"      "displacement"  "horsepower"  
[5] "weight"        "acceleration"  "year"          "origin"  
[9] "name"
```

```
> dim(Auto)
```

```
[1] 397  9
```

```
> Auto <- na.omit(Auto)
```

```
> dim(Auto)
```

```
[1] 392  9
```

Background

- To gather more information about the data set, type `?datasetname` (e.g., `?Auto`, or `help(Auto)`)

Auto Data Set

Description

Gas mileage, horsepower, and other information for 397 vehicles.

Usage

```
Auto
```

Format

A data frame with 397 observations on the following 9 variables.

```
mpg
```

miles per gallon

```
cylinders
```

Number of cylinders between 4 and 8

```
displacement
```

Engine displacement (cu. inches)

```
horsepower
```

Engine horsepower

Access Variables in the Dataset

- Method 1: giving name of the variable and the dataset

```
> Auto$mpg
```

```
[1] 18.0 15.0 18.0 16.0 17.0 15.0 14.0  
[8] 14.0 14.0 15.0 15.0 14.0 15.0 14.0  
[15] 24.0 22.0 18.0 21.0 27.0 26.0 25.0
```

- Method 2: first attach the dataset to the R search path, then all variables in the dataset can be accessed by simply giving their names

```
> attach(Auto)
```

```
> mpg
```

```
[1] 18.0 15.0 18.0 16.0 17.0 15.0 14.0 14.0  
[9] 14.0 15.0 15.0 14.0 15.0 14.0 24.0 22.0  
[17] 18.0 21.0 27.0 26.0 25.0 24.0 25.0 26.0
```

Numerical Summaries

- Numerical summary of dataset or variable `summary(dataset)` or `summary(dataset$colname)`

```
> summary(Auto)
```

| mpg | cylinders | displacement | horsepower | weight |
|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|
| Min. : 9.00 | Min. : 3.000 | Min. : 68.0 | Min. : 46.0 | Min. : 1613 |
| 1st Qu.: 17.00 | 1st Qu.: 4.000 | 1st Qu.: 105.0 | 1st Qu.: 75.0 | 1st Qu.: 2225 |
| Median : 22.75 | Median : 4.000 | Median : 151.0 | Median : 93.5 | Median : 2804 |
| Mean : 23.45 | Mean : 5.472 | Mean : 194.4 | Mean : 104.5 | Mean : 2978 |
| 3rd Qu.: 29.00 | 3rd Qu.: 8.000 | 3rd Qu.: 275.8 | 3rd Qu.: 126.0 | 3rd Qu.: 3615 |
| Max. : 46.60 | Max. : 8.000 | Max. : 455.0 | Max. : 230.0 | Max. : 5140 |

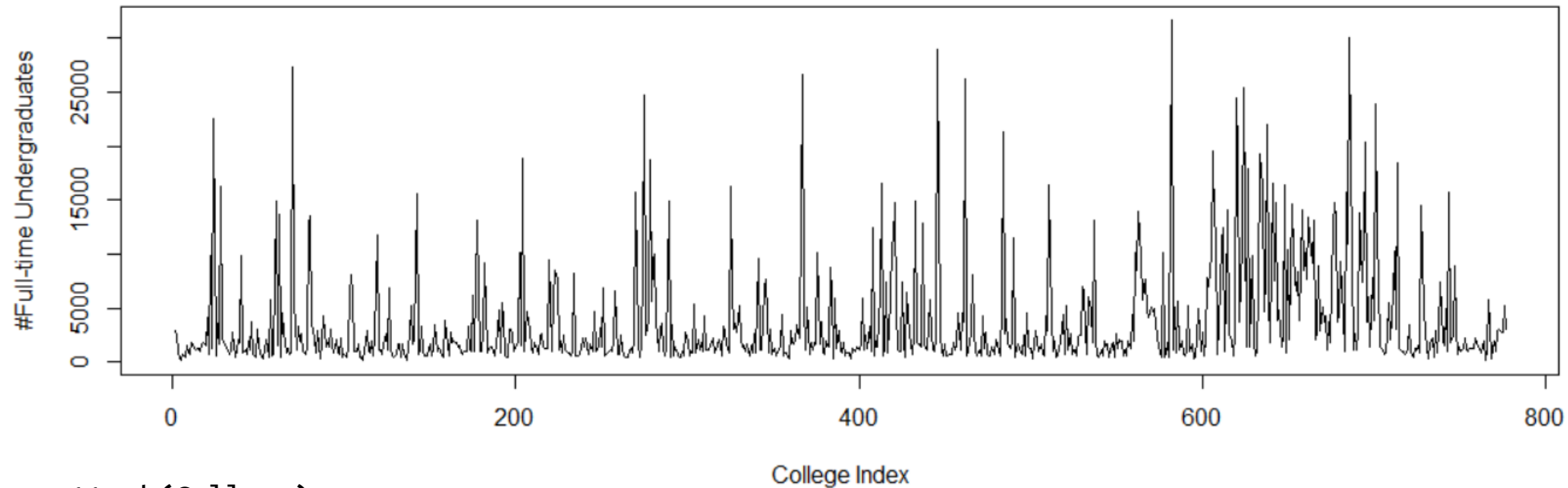
| acceleration | year | origin | name |
|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------------|
| Min. : 8.00 | Min. : 70.00 | Min. : 1.000 | amc matador : 5 |
| 1st Qu.: 13.78 | 1st Qu.: 73.00 | 1st Qu.: 1.000 | ford pinto : 5 |
| Median : 15.50 | Median : 76.00 | Median : 1.000 | toyota corolla : 5 |
| Mean : 15.54 | Mean : 75.98 | Mean : 1.577 | amc gremlin : 4 |
| 3rd Qu.: 17.02 | 3rd Qu.: 79.00 | 3rd Qu.: 2.000 | amc hornet : 4 |
| Max. : 24.80 | Max. : 82.00 | Max. : 3.000 | chevrolet chevette: 4 |
| | | | (Other) : 365 |

Graphs

- Generate figures of single variables using `plot()`

```
> plot(College$F.Undergrad, type='l', xlab="College Index", ylab="#Full-time Undergraduates",  
main="Figure 1")
```

Figure 1



```
> attach(College)  
> plot(F.Undergrad, type='l', xlab="College Index", ylab="#Full-time Undergraduates", main="Figure 1")
```

Graphs

- Generate plots of two variables

```
> plot(Apps, Accept, xlab="#Received",  
ylab="#Accepted")
```

Private : Public/private indicator

Apps : Number of applications received

Accept : Number of applicants accepted

```
> plot(Apps[Private=="Yes"], Accept[Private=="Yes"], col="blue", xlab="#Received", ylab="#Accepted")  
> points(Apps[Private=="No"], Accept[Private=="No"], col="green", xlab="#Received", ylab="#Accepted")
```

