

Assignment 6 - Exercise 1

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Assume, that we have ten different varieties of wheat, each variety having a specific phyllochron (in [°C day]).

```
phyllochrons <- c(60,70,80,90,100,110,120,130,140,150)
```

We assume a tillering period of 100 days.

You should use the total number of tillers per stage `tt` as calculated during the exercise (see also the script `tillers.R`).

Question A

Let the daily mean temperature be 10 °C.

1. Which temperature sum is accumulated during 100 days?
2. Calculate for all phyllochrons the number of completed stages after 100 days.
3. Calculate for all phyllochrons the total numbers of tillers after 100 days.
4. Plot the number of tillers against the phyllochron.
5. How does the number of tillers depend on the phyllochron? (Increasing/Decreasing? Linear?) [Give your answer in maximum 25 words!]

Question B

The daily mean temperature is now not the same every day, but taken from real weather data.

1. Read the table `weather.txt`.
2. Calculate the temperature sum from DAY 61 to 160 by summing up the corresponding values from the column `MeanTemp`. (Don't worry, that on some days there might be negative temperatures.)
3. Calculate for all phyllochrons the number of completed stages after 100 days (i.e. from day 61 to 160).
4. Calculate for all phyllochrons the total numbers of tillers after 100 days (i.e. from day 61 to 160).
5. Plot the number of tillers against the phyllochron.

Hints:

- **Have a look at the examples from the exercises, where we did similar calculations.**
- Please include **all** R code that is needed to produce the result.
- Don't forget to use `header=TRUE` option when you `read.table`, as the first line of the weather files contains the column names.
- You have to include/run the code from `tillers.R` to get the number of new tillers `t` and total number of tillers `tt` calculated.
- **Once you have calculated the stages (item A.2 and B.3), the following items are quite simple and straight forward. Please look at `Tillering.pdf`, especially last lines of page 31 and page 32 ;)**