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# Intro to R lecture
# Anything after '#' will not be submitted to the console for
processing,
# but will be printed in the console
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#=======@ Clearing the Workspace
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# This clears everything above it from the workspace. Thus, functions
# seeds should be put after this.
rm(list=ls())
#======@ Direct Submission to the Console
@======#
1 + 2 # This returns '3'
try(a) # Won't work. R is looking for an object called 'a', but we
haven't defined 'a' yet
#======@ Sequences
@===========#
1:10
#======@ Creating objects(vectors)
@======#
x <- 2 # 'x' is a vector/object that contains the element '2'
y \leftarrow c(1, 2, 3) \# 'y' is a vector/object that contains three elements:
1, 2, 3
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z \leftarrow 1:3 \# Same thing as 'y'
class(z) # Tells us what the object 'z' is
z[2] # This returns the second element of the 'z' vector
z[-2] # This returns all of the elements of 'z' EXCEPT the second
z[c(1,2)] # This returns the first and second elements of 'z'
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#======@ Mathematical Operations
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x < -2 + 2 \# creates an object, 'x', that contains the results of '2 +
x # Note that this overwrites the previous object called 'x'
y <- 2
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xx < -c(1, 2, 3)
yy < -c(4, 5, 6)
xx + yy # adding two objects of the same length
#=======@ Statistical Operations
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y < -1:10
mean(y) # returns the mean of the sum of 1 through 10
help(mean)
z <- mean(y) # stores the mean of the sum of 1 through 10 as an object
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sd(y) # returns the standard deviation of 'y'
max(y) # returns the maximum of 'y'
min(y) # returns the minimum of 'y'
median(y) # returns the median of 'y'
sum(y) # returns the sum of 'y'
#======@ Generating Data
@=======#
x < -rnorm(100, mean = 5, sd=1) # Normal distribution: 100 obs, mean =
5 and sd = 1
help(rnorm)
z \leftarrow runif(100, min = -1, max = 1) # Uniform distribution: 100 obs,
min = -1 and max = 1
#=======@ Generating a Data Frame
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x < -1:10
y \leftarrow runif(length(x), min = 5, max = 6)
df1 <- data.frame(x, y)</pre>
xx < -1:9
yy \leftarrow runif(10, min = 5, max = 6)
try(df2 \leftarrow data.frame(xx, yy)) # Won't work since 'xx' and 'yy' are of
different lengths
#=======@ Getting data into R
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nba <- read.csv("/home/greg/Dropbox/My Stuff/Economic Forecasting</pre>
2013/nbasalary.csv", header=TRUE)
# Adding a variable
nba$points.sq <- nba$points^2</pre>
#======@ Running a regression
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reg <- lm(wage ~ points, data=nba) # Creates an object 'reg' which
contains the regression of wage on points and includes an intercept
summary(reg) # Detailed summary of the above regression
res <- resid(reg) # Creates an object 'res' which is the residuals of
the object 'res'
#======@ Plotting
plot(res)
plot(nba$points, nba$wage) # bad
plot(nba$points, nba$wage,
   main="Scatter plot of wages and points", xlab="points",
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ylab="wage", col="blue")
hist(nba$wage, main="Histogram of Wage", xlab="wage")
plot(density(res))
#=======@ Loops
x \leftarrow rep(NA, 10) # creating an empty x vector with 10 empty slots
x[1] \leftarrow 1 \# putting a '1' in the first element
for (t in 2:10) x[t] \leftarrow 2*x[t-1]
View(x)
#======@ Functions
fun.sq <- function(x)\{x^2\}
# Creates a function 'fun.sq' that takes one argument, 'x', and
returns the
# square of the argument
fun.sq(2)
fun.add <- function(x, y)\{x + y\}
# Creates a function 'fun.add' that takes two arguments, 'x' and 'y',
and
# returns the sum of the two arguments
fun.add(1:2, 3:4)
#======@ The Shift Function
# This function is very useful for creating lag, or lead, variables
# data.frame object. Use negative numbers for the argument 'shift_by'
# create lag variables and positive numbers for the argument
'shift_by' to
# create lead variables.
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# Shift function from r-bloggers.com
# http://www.r-bloggers.com/generating-a-laglead-variables/
shift<-function(x,shift by){</pre>
  stopifnot(is.numeric(shift by))
  stopifnot(is.numeric(x))
  if (length(shift by)>1)
    return(sapply(shift_by,shift, x=x))
  out<-NULL
  abs_shift_by=abs(shift_by)
  if (shift_by > 0 )
    out<-c(tail(x,-abs_shift_by),rep(NA,abs_shift_by))</pre>
  else if (shift_by < 0 )
    out<-c(rep(NA,abs_shift_by), head(x,-abs_shift_by))</pre>
  else
    out<-x
  out
}
x \leftarrow rnorm(10)
y \leftarrow runif(10)
df.xy <- data.frame(x, y)</pre>
df.xy$x.lag <- shift(df.xy$x, -1)</pre>
View(df.xy)
#======@ Turning a series into a time series
@======#
n <- 100
x <- rnorm(n)
plot(x)
x <- ts(x) # transforms 'x' into a time series object
plot(x) # Much better default plot for a time series
x.laq <- laq(x)
class(x.lag)
df3 <- data.frame(x, x.lag)</pre>
View(df3) # Bad, use the shift function instead
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