Lecture 5 List and data frame

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Matrix

2-d looping

The goal is to write a loop that will go through all possible combinations of a matrix in 2d.

A list is a collection of objects of different types

Lists have somewhat complex indexing, but are important for dealing with complicated objects (such as GIS data).

A list is, at its core, another type of vector.

Most of the vectors we have used so far (vectors and matrices) are *atomic* vectors, which cannot be broken down into smaller components.

A list, by comparison, is a *recursive* vector. It can be broken down into smaller components.

1) Create a list

A list of different data types (namely a character, numeric, and logical)

j <- list(name="Joe", salary=55000, union=T)</pre>

2) Create a empty list

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z <- vector(mode="list")</pre>
```

3) General list operations: indexing

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# lists have a few ways to index them. Going back to our "j" list:
```

j\$salary # Just use the dollar sign and the component name (or an abbreviated one)

```
j[["salary"]]
```

j[[2]] # This works because the 2nd element of the list is the salary vector.

4) Double brackets vs. single brackets

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Single bracket: returns an object of class list (a sublist) class(j[2]) # "list"
```

Double bracket: returns an object in its native class class(j[[2]]) # "numeric"

4) Adding and deleting list elements

```
z <- list(a="abc",b=12)
```

z\$c <- "sailing" # This adds a new component "c" to z which is a character vector.

To delete a list component, set it to NULL:

z\$b <- NULL

5) "unlist" a list: coerce everything in a list down to an atomic vector.

```
j <- list(name="Joe", salary=55000, union=T)
ulj <- unlist(j) # This becomes an atomic vector</pre>
```

6) lapply() and sapply(): apply functions to lists

lapply() and sapply() are equivalents to apply, except they take list inputs.

z <- list(1:3,25:29)

output <- lapply(X=z,FUN=median) # output is "list"

Note: sapply() is very similar to lapply(), but does a check to see if it can "simplify" the output: i.e. reduce it to a matrix or vector:

sapply_out <- sapply(X=z,FUN=median) # output is "vector"</pre>

7) Recursive list: a list within a list

```
b <- list(u=5,v=12)
```

$$c <- list(w = 13:15)$$

1) Create data frame

```
random_data <-
data.frame(data1=runif(5),data2=runif(5),data3=runif(5))
# Note that runif(x) generates x random numbers between 0 and 1.</pre>
```

2) Data frame indexing

```
random_data[2:5,] # Returns observation (rows) 2 through 5, all variables (columns).
```

```
random_data[random_data$data1 >= 0.5, ]
subset(random_data,data1 >= 0.5)
```

3) Add data frame rows and columns

rbind() adds a row (and must have the same number of elements as the data.frame).

```
random_data <- data.frame(data1=runif(5),data2=runif(5),data3=runif(5))
xnewrow <- c(2,"abc",6)
xnew <- rbind(random_data,xnewrow)</pre>
```

cbind() needs to have the same number of rows as the data frame.

```
random_data_new <- cbind(random_data,(random_data$data1-
random_data$data2))</pre>
```

4) apply() and lapply: apply() can be used on a data frame IF all the columns are the same type

```
random_data <-
data.frame(data1=runif(5),data2=runif(5),data3=runif(5))
apply(random_data,2,max)</pre>
```

lapply() applied to a data frame will apply the function to each *column*, and return a list.

```
d2 <- data.frame(ages=c(10,7,12),names=c("Jill","Jillian","Jack"))
dl <- lapply(d2,sort)
```

5) Merge data frame: Data frames are R's version of a spreadsheet. Like any properly formatted table, we can use relational operators to join two tables together. The basic command is merge

```
d1 <- data.frame(names=c("Jack","Jill","John"),states=c("CA","IL","IL"))
d2 <- data.frame(ages=c(10,7,12),names=c("Jill","Jillian","Jack"))
merge(d1,d2)</pre>
```

```
# What if we don't have the same variable name? names(d2) <- c("ages","kids") merge(x=d1,y=d2,by.x="names",by.y="kids")
```

Assignment 1

Your goal is to write a function that takes two inputs:

x = a vector of numbers

d = a single value

The function should return a vector of numeric indices of all vector locations in which the element of x divided by d has no remainder.

Assignment 1 is due on Tuesday, Feb. 11 at midnight. Please submit your assignment on Compass 2g

Quiz 2

Please create a matrix $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$, and use the 2-d loop to change the elements of the first row to 10, and to change the elements of the second row to 20. So you will get a

The R file needs to be named: LastName_FirstName_Quiz2.R

Please submit the quiz R file on Compass by the end of this class.