

Coding Help Sheet 2

Data frames

Working with Missing Data

In data analysis, we may encounter data that is missing. In R, we indicate missing data with **NA**

```
nums <- c(2, 4, 4, NA, 6)
```

```
mean(nums, na.rm  
=TRUE)
```

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Add
argument
to remove
NA from
nums

```
is.na(nums)
```

FALSE FALSE
FALSE TRUE
FALSE

Identify
elements
that are NA
in nums

```
!is.na(nums)
```

TRUE TRUE
TRUE FALSE
TRUE

Identify
elements
that are not
NA

Data frames

Data frames are a data structure that store tabular data from a file.

Ex: df contains a csv file called clinical

```
df <- read.csv("clinical.csv")
```

df contents

tissue organ origin | sample type | stage

```
bladder      | primary | 2  
wall of bladder | primary | 4  
trigone of bladder | primary | 3  
dome of bladder | solid tissue | 3  
bladder      | primary | 3
```

Processing CSV Files

Create a directory to hold data

```
dir.create("data")
```

Downloading data

```
download.file(url, d_name)
```

where *url* is the link to the data and *d_name* is *directoryName/fileName*.

CSV Files are files that contain tabular data or data with comma-separated values that can be interpreted into data frames in R

How to store data into a data frame

```
my_df <- read.csv("dir/my.csv")
```

Tidy Format

- each row is an observation
- each column is an attribute

Data Frames Functions

head(df)

Shows first few rows

dim(df)

Get size of dataframe
(row, column)

tail(df, n=2)

shows last n rows

colnames(df)

get column names

summary(df)

Show summary stats of
each column

str(df)

show overview of object

Subsetting Data Frames

Below are common ways to extract relevant data from data frames using `[]` notation.

**df[m]
df[,m]**

Extract the mth column
in dataframe

df[n,]

Extract the nth row in
dataframe

df[n, m]

Get cell from n row and
mth column

**df[start:end,
m]**

Extract range of cells
from row start to end in
the mth column

df[,-1]

Get everything in df
dataframe except the last
row

df[-c(1:n)]

Get everything except the
first nth rows

Extracting Columns

We can also extract data using column names with **single square brackets []** or the **dollar sign \$**.

```
clinical["sample_type"]  
clinical$sample_type
```

Get data from the
"sample_type"
column in the
clinical dataframe

tidyverse

tidyverse is a powerful collection of R packages that are actually data tools for transforming and visualizing data. All packages of the tidyverse share an underlying philosophy and common APIs.

You can **install the complete tidyverse** with:

```
install.packages("tidyverse")
```

Then, **load the core tidyverse** and make it available in your current R session by running:

```
library(tidyverse)
```

Note: there are many other tidyverse packages with more specialized usage. They are not loaded automatically with `library(tidyverse)`, so you'll need to load each one with its own call to `library()`.

Commonly Used Functions

tidyverse_conflicts()

Conflicts between tidyverse
and other packages

tidyverse_deps()

List all tidyverse
dependencies

tidyverse_packages()

Lists all tidyverse packages

tidyverse_update()

Update packages