Reproducible Research: Peer Assessment 1

Introduction

It is now possible to collect a large amount of data about personal movement using activity monitoring devices such as a Fitbit, Nike Fuelband, or Jawbone Up. These type of devices are part of the "quantified self" movement – a group of enthusiasts who take measurements about themselves regularly to improve their health, to find patterns in their behavior, or because they are tech geeks. But these data remain under-utilized both because the raw data are hard to obtain and there is a lack of statistical methods and software for processing and interpreting the data.

This assignment makes use of data from a personal activity monitoring device. This device collects data at 5 minute intervals through out the day. The data consists of two months of data from an anonymous individual collected during the months of October and November, 2012 and include the number of steps taken in 5 minute intervals each day. The **goal of this assignment** is to use this data set to perform a basic exploratory data analysis to assess the individual's activity patterns.

Data

The dataset for this assignment can be downloaded from the course web site Activity monitoring data [52K] or via the GitHub repository created for this assignment.

The dataset is stored in a comma-separated-value (CSV) file and there are a total of 17,568 observations in this dataset.

The variables included in this dataset are:

- 1. Column 1 steps: Number of steps taken in a 5-minute interval (missing values are coded as NA)
- 2. Column 2 date: The date on which the measurement was taken in YYYY-MM-DD format
- 3. Column 3 interval: Identifier for the 5-minute interval in which measurement was taken.

1. Loading in and preprocessing data

1.1. Objectives

Show any code that is needed to:

- 1. Load the data (i.e. read.csv())
- 2. Process/transform the data (if necessary) into a format suitable for your analysis

1.2. Download and Load Dataset

For completeness and to ensure reproducibility we will download the data set programatically. The code bellow **downloads**, **unzips** and **loads** the activity.csv file from the course web site if it is not yet present in the data file in the working directory. The data frame is assigned to a variable called activity.

```
#Verify if activity.csv file already exixts in data directory and download and
#unzip it otherwise.
if (!file.exists("data/activity.csv")) {
        if (!file.exists("data")) {
            message("Creating data directory...")
            dir.create("data")
        }
        fileURL <- "https://d396qusza40orc.cloudfront.net/repdata%2Fdata%2Factivity.zip"
        zipfile <- "activity.zip"
        message("Downloading data...")
        download.file(fileURL, destfile=zipfile, method="curl")
        unzip(zipfile, exdir="data")
        }
#Load the csv file and assign it to a variable
activity <- read.csv("data/activity.csv", stringsAsFactors = FALSE)</pre>
```

1.3. Exploring the variables

Bellow we can have an overview of this data frame.

```
str(activity)
```

```
## 'data.frame': 17568 obs. of 3 variables:
## $ steps : int NA NA NA NA NA NA NA NA NA ...
## $ date : chr "2012-10-01" "2012-10-01" "2012-10-01" "2012-10-01" ...
## $ interval: int 0 5 10 15 20 25 30 35 40 45 ...
```

Note that date is represented as character in the the format YYY-MM-DD.

```
summary(activity)
```

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## Min. : 0.00
                   Length: 17568
                                    Min. : 0.0
## 1st Qu.: 0.00
                   Class : character
                                   1st Qu.: 588.8
## Median : 0.00
                  Mode : character
                                    Median :1177.5
## Mean : 37.38
                                    Mean :1177.5
## 3rd Qu.: 12.00
                                    3rd Qu.:1766.2
## Max.
        :806.00
                                    Max. :2355.0
## NA's
         :2304
```

```
library(data.table)
data.table(activity)
```

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      2:
            NA 2012-10-01
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      3: NA 2012-10-01
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          NA 2012-10-01
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      4:
                                15
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      5:
           NA 2012-10-01
                                20
##
```

```
## 17564: NA 2012-11-30 2335
## 17565: NA 2012-11-30 2340
## 17566: NA 2012-11-30 2345
## 17567: NA 2012-11-30 2350
## 17568: NA 2012-11-30 2355
```

Another important observation is that the variable interval is merely an period identifier represented as integer and it does not correspond to the expected value of cumulative addition of 5 minutes time per interval all the way through the 61 days (2012-10-01 to 2012-11-30). Each day has 288 5-minutes intervals (24hs * 60 = 1440 minutes, 1440/5 = 288). However in this dataset the 24 hour interval goes from 0 to 2355.

activity\$interval[1:600]

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This discrepancy can be explained by the *jumps* in the interval label every end of hour period (55 to 100, 155 to 200, 255 to 300 and so forth). This can be confirmed by the code bellow. If we count the number of unique interval values it matches the expected 288 5-minutes intervals in a 24 hour period. This *jumps* after every 55 minutes to the next centimal actually represent one hour complete. In this way the interval 55 = 55M, 100 = 1H 00M, 155 = 1H 55M, 200 = 2H 00M, ...

length(unique(activity\$interval))

[1] 288

Furthermore each interval label 0:2355 is repeated 61 times as we would expect by the number of days represented in this data set.

table(activity\$interval)

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Therefore we will process the variable date to a proper date class and use the interval variable to create a time variable to facilitate the evaluation of the time past and make them more useful for further analysis.

1.4. Data set processing

1.4.1. Convert date variable to a proper date class The date variable was converted to POSIXct POSIXt.

```
##
##
## Attaching package: 'lubridate'
##
## The following objects are masked from 'package:data.table':
##
## hour, mday, month, quarter, wday, week, yday, year

#The lubridate ymd function formats the date aproprietly
activity$date <- ymd(activity$date)
class(activity$date)</pre>
```

[1] "POSIXct" "POSIXt"

1.4.2. Create a time variable column The value of interval is formated and converted to proper time periods and then to time and asigned to a new column time.

[1] "POSIXct" "POSIXt"

1.4.3. Create a weekday column Part of the assignment will be to assess differences in activity between days of the week. Therefore a weekday column was created to assist this analysis

```
activity$weekday <- wday(activity$date, label=TRUE,abbr=TRUE)
str(activity$weekday)</pre>
```

```
## Ord.factor w/ 7 levels "Sun"<"Mon"<"Tues"<...: 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 ...
```

1.4.4. Browse the processed data set Now we can double check the data set to make sure everything is how we would like it to be, with the variables in their correct form.

```
str(activity)
```

```
## 'data.frame': 17568 obs. of 5 variables:
## $ steps : int NA ...
## $ date : POSIXct, format: "2012-10-01" "2012-10-01" ...
## $ interval: int 0 5 10 15 20 25 30 35 40 45 ...
## $ time : POSIXct, format: "2012-10-01 00:00:00" "2012-10-01 00:05:00" ...
## $ weekday : Ord.factor w/ 7 levels "Sun"<"Mon"<"Tues"<..: 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 ...</pre>
```

summary(activity)

```
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                                               interval
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                             :2012-10-01
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    1st Qu.: 0.00
                     1st Qu.:2012-10-16
                                           1st Qu.: 588.8
   Median: 0.00
                     Median :2012-10-31
                                           Median: 1177.5
          : 37.38
                             :2012-10-31
                                                   :1177.5
##
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##
    3rd Qu.: 12.00
                     3rd Qu.:2012-11-15
                                           3rd Qu.:1766.2
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                     {\tt Max.}
                             :2012-11-30
                                           Max.
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           :2304
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         time
                                    weekday
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           :2012-10-01 00:00:00
                                   Sun :2304
   1st Qu.:2012-10-01 05:58:45
                                   Mon :2592
  Median :2012-10-01 11:57:30
                                   Tues :2592
   Mean
           :2012-10-01 11:57:30
                                   Wed :2592
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    3rd Qu.:2012-10-01 17:56:15
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##
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```

data.table(activity)

```
##
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                                                     time weekday
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                                   5 2012-10-01 00:05:00
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             NA 2012-10-01
##
       3:
                                  10 2012-10-01 00:10:00
                                                               Mon
##
       4:
             NA 2012-10-01
                                  15 2012-10-01 00:15:00
                                                               Mon
                                  20 2012-10-01 00:20:00
##
       5:
             NA 2012-10-01
                                                               Mon
##
                                2335 2012-10-01 23:35:00
## 17564:
             NA 2012-11-30
                                                               Fri
## 17565:
             NA 2012-11-30
                                2340 2012-10-01 23:40:00
                                                               Fri
## 17566:
             NA 2012-11-30
                                2345 2012-10-01 23:45:00
                                                               Fri
## 17567:
             NA 2012-11-30
                                2350 2012-10-01 23:50:00
                                                               Fri
## 17568:
             NA 2012-11-30
                                2355 2012-10-01 23:55:00
                                                               Fri
```

2. Question 1: What is the mean total number of steps taken per day?

2.1. Objectives

For this part of the assignment, we can **ignore the missing values** in the dataset.

- 1. Make a histogram of the total number of steps taken each day
- 2. Calculate and report the mean and median total number of steps taken per day

2.2 Calculate the total number of steps per day and assign it to a variable

```
#Compute the total number of steps per day and assign it to an object
TotalDailySteps <- aggregate(steps ~ date, data = activity, FUN = sum)
```

The total number of steps per day are the following:

```
head(TotalDailySteps)
```

```
## date steps
## 1 2012-10-02 126
## 2 2012-10-03 11352
## 3 2012-10-04 12116
## 4 2012-10-05 13294
## 5 2012-10-06 15420
## 6 2012-10-07 11015
```

tail(TotalDailySteps)

```
## date steps
## 48 2012-11-24 14478
## 49 2012-11-25 11834
## 50 2012-11-26 11162
## 51 2012-11-27 13646
## 52 2012-11-28 10183
## 53 2012-11-29 7047
```

2.3 Calculate the summary statistics of the total number of steps taken per day

```
# Calculate summary statistics
summary(TotalDailySteps)
```

```
##
        date
                                     steps
          :2012-10-02 00:00:00
  Min.
                                 Min.
## 1st Qu.:2012-10-16 00:00:00
                                 1st Qu.: 8841
## Median :2012-10-29 00:00:00
                                 Median :10765
## Mean
          :2012-10-30 17:12:27
                                 Mean
                                        :10766
## 3rd Qu.:2012-11-16 00:00:00
                                 3rd Qu.:13294
## Max. :2012-11-29 00:00:00
                                        :21194
                                 Max.
```

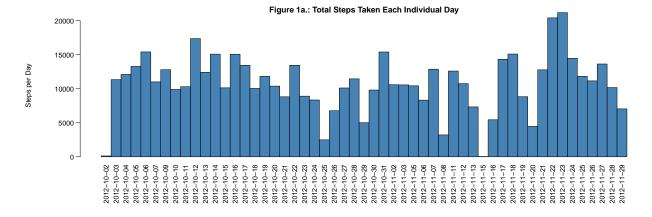
Objective 2*: The values of the mean (10766 steps) and the median (10765 steps) are almost identical. This is an indicative that the variability of the number of daily steps taken in this period of 61 days follow a nearly normal distribution. This prediction can be verified by figure 1b below.

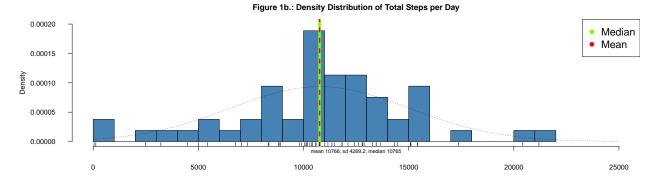
2.4. Plot histograms to view the data

Objective 1

```
with(TotalDailySteps, {
        #Setup plotting space.
        par(mfrow=c(2,1),mar=c(6.75,6.75,0.75,0), mgp=c(5.75,0.75,0), las=2)
        barplot( #plot total steps per day
                height=steps,
                main="Figure 1a.: Total Steps Taken Each Individual Day",
                ylab="Steps per Day",
                names.arg=TotalDailySteps$date,
                col="steelblue",
                space=c(0)
        )
        par(mar=c(6.75,6.75,3,0), mgp=c(5.5,2,0), las=1)
       hist( #plot the distribution of total steps
                x = steps,
                xlim=c(0,25000),
                ylim=c(0, 0.0002),
                prob=TRUE,
                main = "Figure 1b.: Density Distribution of Total Steps per Day",
                xlab= "Count of Total Steps per Day",
                col="steelblue",
                breaks = 30
        )
        #Assign mean and median values to variables to be used in the abline of plot 2
        mean.steps <- round(mean(TotalDailySteps$steps),0) # Mean</pre>
       median.steps <- quantile(x = TotalDailySteps$steps, probs = 0.5) # Median, 50%Q
        # Add median and mean lines and their legends
        abline(v=median.steps, col="lawngreen", lwd=6)
        abline(v=mean.steps, lty = 2, col="red", lwd=3)
        legend("topright",
               c("Median", "Mean"),
               pch=c(16,16),
               col=c("lawngreen", "red"),
               cex=1.5
        #Add rug
        rug(TotalDailySteps$steps)
        #Add values of mean, sd and median
```

```
mtext(paste(
                "mean ", round(mean(TotalDailySteps$steps),0),
                "; sd ", round(sd(TotalDailySteps$steps),1),
                "; median ", quantile(x = TotalDailySteps$steps, probs = 0.5),
                sep=""),
                side=1,
                cex=.75)
        #Add a normal distribution line
        x <- TotalDailySteps$steps
        curve(dnorm(
                x,
                mean=mean(TotalDailySteps$steps),
                sd=sd(TotalDailySteps$steps)),
                add=TRUE,
                col="black",
                lty="dotted",
                xaxt="n")
})
```





3. Question 2: What is the average daily activity pattern?

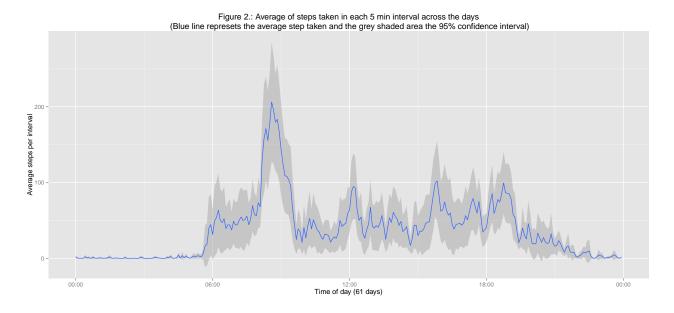
3.1. Objectives

- 1. Make a time series plot of the 5-minute interval (x-axis) and the average number of steps taken, averaged across all days (y-axis)
- 2. Which 5-minute interval, on average across all the days in the dataset, contains the maximum number of steps?

3.2. Time series plot for the average five minute interval at a 95% confidence interval

Objective 1: Let's take a look at a time series plot for the mean steps across the 5 minutes intervals of the averaged day.

```
library(ggplot2)
library(scales)
# Function to calculate de mean and normal
# 95% confidence interval around it
mean_ci <- function(data){</pre>
    m <- mean(data)
    data.frame(y=m,
               ymin = m-(1.96*sd(data)/sqrt(length(data))),
               ymax = m+(1.96*sd(data)/sqrt(length(data))))
}
# Plot the average number of steps per interval.
steps.period <- qplot(x=time, y=steps, data=subset(activity, complete.cases(activity)),</pre>
                        geom='smooth', stat='summary', fun.data=mean_ci) +
                        labs(title= "Figure 2.: Average of steps taken in each 5 min interval across th
                        y='Average steps per interval', x='Time of day (61 days)') +
                        scale_x_datetime(labels=date_format(format='%H:%M'))
steps.period
```



3.2. Calculate the mean steps for each five minute interval, and assign to a new data frame.

Which five minute interval has the highest mean number of steps?

```
highest <- which.max(daily.pattern$time.activity)
format(daily.pattern[highest,"time"], format='%H:%M')</pre>
```

```
## [1] "08:35"
```

The maximum mean total steps in this interval was:

```
daily.pattern[[highest,"time.activity"]]
```

```
## [1] 206.1698
```

Objective 2: The 5 minutes period between 8:30 and 8:35 has on average the maximum number of steps over the 61 days analysed, with a step count over 206.

4. Imputing missing values

4.1. Objectives

Note that there are a number of days/intervals where there are missing values (coded as NA). The presence of missing days may introduce bias into some calculations or summaries of the data.

- 1. Calculate and report the total number of missing values in the dataset (i.e. the total number of rows with NAs)
- 2. Devise a strategy for filling in all of the missing values in the dataset. The strategy does not need to be sophisticated. For example, you could use the mean/median for that day, or the mean for that 5-minute interval, etc.
- 3. Create a new dataset that is equal to the original dataset but with the missing data filled in.
- 4. Make a histogram of the total number of steps taken each day and calculate and report the mean and median total number of steps taken per day.
- Do these values differ from the estimates from the first part of the assignment?
- What is the impact of imputing missing data on the estimates of the total daily number of steps?

4.2. Procedure

```
nrow(subset(activity, is.na(activity$steps)))
```

4.2.1. Objective 1: Total number of missing values (NA) in the original data set

```
## [1] 2304
```

4.2.2. Objective 2 and 3: Input the missing values strategy and create a new complete data set The average of each 5-minute interval values from the previous section is used to replace the NA values of the original data and a new dataset is generated. Decimal values will be rounded up to a whole number to avoid using fractional steps.

Let's have a look at the new complete data set:

```
str(newData)
```

```
## 'data.frame': 17568 obs. of 5 variables:
## $ Steps : num 2 1 1 1 1 3 1 1 0 2 ...
## $ Date : POSIXct, format: "2012-10-01" "2012-10-01" ...
## $ Interval: int 0 5 10 15 20 25 30 35 40 45 ...
## $ Time : POSIXct, format: "2012-10-01 00:00:00" "2012-10-01 00:05:00" ...
## $ Weekday : Ord.factor w/ 7 levels "Sun"<"Mon"<"Tues"<..: 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 ...</pre>
```

summary(newData)

```
##
        Steps
                          Date
                                             Interval
##
   Min.
          : 0.00
                    Min.
                            :2012-10-01
                                                :
                                                     0.0
                                         Min.
##
   1st Qu.: 0.00
                    1st Qu.:2012-10-16
                                          1st Qu.: 588.8
  Median: 0.00
                    Median :2012-10-31
                                          Median :1177.5
         : 37.45
##
   Mean
                     Mean
                            :2012-10-31
                                          Mean
                                                 :1177.5
##
   3rd Qu.: 27.00
                     3rd Qu.:2012-11-15
                                          3rd Qu.:1766.2
##
   Max.
          :806.00
                     Max.
                            :2012-11-30
                                          Max.
                                                 :2355.0
##
##
         Time
                                   Weekday
##
           :2012-10-01 00:00:00
                                  Sun :2304
  Min.
                                  Mon :2592
   1st Qu.:2012-10-01 05:58:45
## Median :2012-10-01 11:57:30
                                  Tues :2592
   Mean
           :2012-10-01 11:57:30
                                  Wed :2592
##
## 3rd Qu.:2012-10-01 17:56:15
                                  Thurs:2592
          :2012-10-01 23:55:00
##
                                  Fri :2592
                                  Sat :2304
##
```

data.table(newData)

```
##
         Steps
                     Date Interval
                                                  Time Weekday
             2 2012-10-01
                                 0 2012-10-01 00:00:00
##
       1:
                                                           Mon
      2:
             1 2012-10-01
##
                                 5 2012-10-01 00:05:00
                                                           Mon
##
      3:
             1 2012-10-01
                                10 2012-10-01 00:10:00
                                                           Mon
             1 2012-10-01
                                15 2012-10-01 00:15:00
##
       4:
                                                           Mon
##
             1 2012-10-01
                                20 2012-10-01 00:20:00
                                                           Mon
##
## 17564:
             5 2012-11-30
                              2335 2012-10-01 23:35:00
                                                           Fri
## 17565:
             4 2012-11-30
                              2340 2012-10-01 23:40:00
                                                           Fri
             1 2012-11-30
## 17566:
                              2345 2012-10-01 23:45:00
                                                           Fri
             1 2012-11-30
                              2350 2012-10-01 23:50:00
## 17567:
                                                           Fri
## 17568:
             2 2012-11-30
                              2355 2012-10-01 23:55:00
                                                           Fri
```

4.2.3. Objective 4: Calculate new mean and median number of steps and make a histogram to display processed data.

```
#Compute the total number of steps per day
newDailyStepSum <- aggregate(newData$Steps, list(newData$Date), sum)
colnames(newDailyStepSum) <- c("Date", "Steps")</pre>
```

4.2.3.1 Calculate the total number of steps per day with complete data and assign it to an **object** The new total number of steps per day are the following:

```
head(newDailyStepSum)
```

```
## Date Steps
## 1 2012-10-01 10909
## 2 2012-10-02 126
## 3 2012-10-03 11352
## 4 2012-10-04 12116
## 5 2012-10-05 13294
## 6 2012-10-06 15420
```

tail(newDailyStepSum)

```
## Date Steps
## 56 2012-11-25 11834
## 57 2012-11-26 11162
## 58 2012-11-27 13646
## 59 2012-11-28 10183
## 60 2012-11-29 7047
## 61 2012-11-30 10909
```

```
# Calculate summary statistics
summary(newDailyStepSum)
```

4.2.3.2 Calculate the summary statistics of the new total number of steps taken per day

```
## Date Steps
## Min. :2012-10-01 Min. : 41
## 1st Qu.:2012-10-16 1st Qu.: 9819
## Median :2012-10-31 Median :10909
## Mean :2012-10-31 Mean :10785
## 3rd Qu.:2012-11-15 3rd Qu.:12811
## Max. :2012-11-30 Max. :21194
```

```
with(newDailyStepSum, {
        #Setup plotting space.
        par(mfrow=c(2,1),mar=c(6.75,6.75,0.75,0), mgp=c(5.75,0.75,0), las=2)
        barplot( #plot total steps per day
                height=Steps,
                main="Figure 3a.: Total Steps taken each Day (w/o missing values)",
                ylab="Steps per Day",
                names.arg=newDailyStepSum$Date,
                col="steelblue",
                space=c(0)
        par(mar=c(6.75,6.75,3,0), mgp=c(5.5,2,0), las=1)
       hist( #plot the distribution of total steps
                x = Steps,
                xlim=c(0,25000),
                ylim=c(0, 0.0002),
                prob=TRUE,
                main = "Figure 3b.: Density Distribution of Total Steps per Day (w/o missing values)",
                xlab= "Count of Total Steps per Day",
                col="steelblue",
                breaks = 30
        )
        #Assign mean and median values to variables to be used in the plot
        new.mean.steps <- mean(newDailyStepSum$Steps, na.rm = TRUE) # Mean</pre>
        new.median.steps <- quantile(x = newDailyStepSum$Steps, probs = 0.5) # Median, 50%Q
        # Add median and mean lines and their legends
        abline(v=new.median.steps, col="lawngreen", lwd=6)
        abline(v=new.mean.steps, lty = 2, col="red", lwd=3)
        legend("topright",
               c("Median", "Mean"),
               pch=c(16,16),
```

```
col=c("lawngreen","red"),
               cex=1.5
               )
        #Add rug
        rug(newDailyStepSum$Steps)
        #Add values of mean, sd and median
        mtext(paste(
                "mean ", round(mean(newDailyStepSum$Steps),0),
                "; sd ", round(sd(newDailyStepSum$Steps),1),
                "; median ", quantile(x = newDailyStepSum$Steps, probs = 0.5),
                sep=""),
                side=1,
                cex=.75)
        #Add a normal distribution line
        x <- newDailyStepSum$Steps</pre>
        curve(dnorm(x,
                    mean=mean(newDailyStepSum$Steps),
                    sd=sd(newDailyStepSum$Steps)
                    ),
              add=TRUE,
              col="black",
              lty="dotted",
              xaxt="n")
})
```

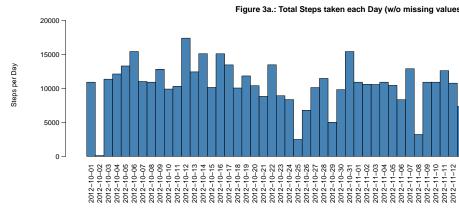
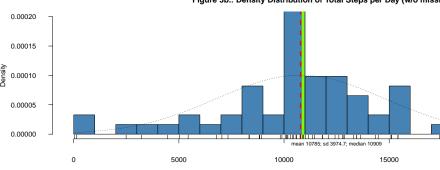


Figure 3b.: Density Distribution of Total Steps per Day (w/o missin



4.2.3.3 histograms to view the new data

Count of Total Steps per Day

Objective 4: Both the values of the mean and the median have increased slightly with the new complete data set. The mean went from 10766 to 10785 steps and the median went from 10765 to 10909 steps. This shift in values did not profoundly affect the normal distribution with regards to the variability of the number of daily steps taken in this period of 61 days as can be seen in Figure 3b.

5. Question 3: Are there differences in activity patterns between weekdays and weekends?

5.1. Objectives

For this part the weekdays() function may be of some help here. Use the dataset with the filled-in missing values for this part.

- 1. Create a new factor variable in the dataset with two levels "weekday" and "weekend" indicating whether a given date is a weekday or weekend day.
- 2. Make a panel plot containing a time series plot (i.e. type = "1") of the 5-minute interval (x-axis) and the average number of steps taken, averaged across all weekday days or weekend days (y-axis). See the README file in the GitHub repository to see an example of what this plot should look like using simulated data.

5.2. Insert new column for Weekend and Weekday

Objective 1: A new column indicating whether the date is a weekday or a weekend is added to the new dataset created in the previous section.

Bellow is an overview of the data set:

str(newDataWithDayType)

```
## 'data.frame': 17568 obs. of 6 variables:
## $ steps : num 2 1 1 1 1 3 1 1 0 2 ...
## $ date : POSIXct, format: "2012-10-01" "2012-10-01" ...
## $ tnterval: int 0 5 10 15 20 25 30 35 40 45 ...
## $ time : POSIXct, format: "2012-10-01 00:00:00" "2012-10-01 00:05:00" ...
## $ weekday : Ord.factor w/ 7 levels "Sun"<"Mon"<"Tues"<..: 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 ...
## $ dayType : Factor w/ 2 levels "weekday","weekend": 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 ...</pre>
```

data.table(newDataWithDayType)

```
##
                      date tnterval
                                                   time weekday dayType
          steps
##
              2 2012-10-01
                                  0 2012-10-01 00:00:00
                                                            Mon weekday
       1:
                                  5 2012-10-01 00:05:00
##
       2:
              1 2012-10-01
                                                            Mon weekday
##
              1 2012-10-01
                                 10 2012-10-01 00:10:00
                                                            Mon weekday
       3:
##
       4:
              1 2012-10-01
                                 15 2012-10-01 00:15:00
                                                            Mon weekday
##
              1 2012-10-01
                                 20 2012-10-01 00:20:00
       5:
                                                            Mon weekday
##
             5 2012-11-30
                               2335 2012-10-01 23:35:00
                                                            Fri weekday
## 17564:
## 17565:
              4 2012-11-30
                               2340 2012-10-01 23:40:00
                                                            Fri weekday
                               2345 2012-10-01 23:45:00
## 17566:
              1 2012-11-30
                                                            Fri weekday
## 17567:
              1 2012-11-30
                               2350 2012-10-01 23:50:00
                                                            Fri weekday
## 17568:
              2 2012-11-30
                               2355 2012-10-01 23:55:00
                                                            Fri weekday
```

The data is then separated into weekday or weekend and the average number of steps taken for each 5-minute interval, itself averaged across all weekday days or weekend days is calculated.

```
dayTypeTimeSteps <- aggregate(data=newDataWithDayType, steps ~ dayType + time ,FUN=mean)</pre>
```

A sample of this dataset is as follows:

data.table(dayTypeTimeSteps)

```
## dayType time steps
## 1: weekday 2012-10-01 00:00:00 2.2888889
## 2: weekend 2012-10-01 00:00:00 0.2500000
```

```
## 3: weekday 2012-10-01 00:05:00 0.5333333

## 4: weekend 2012-10-01 00:05:00 0.1250000

## 5: weekday 2012-10-01 00:10:00 0.2888889

## ---

## 572: weekend 2012-10-01 23:45:00 1.7500000

## 573: weekday 2012-10-01 23:50:00 0.4000000

## 574: weekend 2012-10-01 23:50:00 0.1250000

## 575: weekday 2012-10-01 23:55:00 1.5333333

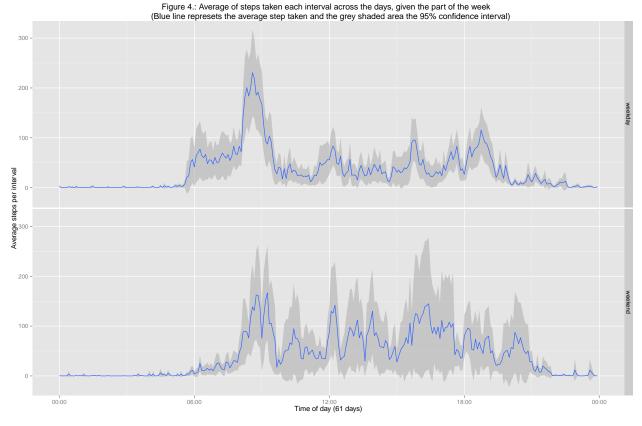
## 576: weekend 2012-10-01 23:55:00 0.2500000
```

[1] "POSIXct" "POSIXt"

5.3. Panel plot comparing the activity patern netween weekdays and weekend days at a 95% confidence interval

Objective 2: Finally, a panel plot of both weekend and weekday graphs is generated.

```
# Plot the average steps per interval separating weekdays and weekend days
steps.period %+% newDataWithDayType + facet_grid(dayType~.) +
labs(title= "Figure 4.: Average of steps taken each interval across the days, given the part of the w
```



```
## $weekday
    MINIMUM
                        MEDIAN STD.DEV MAXIMUM
##
                 MF.AN
     0.0000
                        0.0000 104.2211 806.0000
##
             35.6767
##
## $weekend
                           MEDIAN
##
     MINIMUM
                   MF.AN
                                     STD. DEV
                                                MAXTMUM
                          0.00000 108.22918 785.00000
##
     0.00000
              42.42839
```

6. Discussion

This analysis is able to draw substantial information abou the subject's activity patern. The figure 4 summarizes well the subject's day to day routine. We can almost be certain that the subject is as home between around 9 PM and 6 PM every day given the nearly uniform lack of activity during this period. The subject either spleeps early everyday or removes the activity monitor while at home.

Its is also possible to estimate the time the subject wakes up in the morning. During weekdays there is a lot of activity between 5:30 and 8:00 AM. This is most likely attributed to the subject getting ready to go to work or starting their day. On the weekends the subject most likely wakes up later as the movement in this period is less frequent.

The subjects activity peak is at around 8:30AM in the weekdays. This could be attributed to the subject walking to work. In the weekends this behaviour is also observed, however with a double peak, which sujests that the subject could have the habit of going out for breakfast or visting someone for a short period or pick someone up in the morning.

During the weekdays there is little activity between 10:00 and 11:30 AM and good part of the afternoon which suggests that the subject is at work and probably has a desk job which requires minimal movement. At 10 AM in the weekend, on the other hand, there is considerable activity which could be attibuted to some routine habit such as going to the grocery store. Also in weekends there is a great deal of activity variability throughout the day wich sugest a busy social lifestyle.

7. Information about the analysis environment

Follows information on the R session used for this analysis.

```
# Record R session info
si <- sessionInfo()</pre>
# Print info
## R version 3.1.1 (2014-07-10)
## Platform: x86_64-apple-darwin13.1.0 (64-bit)
##
## [1] en_GB.UTF-8/en_GB.UTF-8/en_GB.UTF-8/C/en_GB.UTF-8
## attached base packages:
                 graphics grDevices utils
## [1] stats
                                               datasets methods
                                                                   base
##
## other attached packages:
## [1] scales_0.2.4
                        ggplot2_1.0.0
                                         lubridate_1.3.3 data.table_1.9.4
## loaded via a namespace (and not attached):
```

| ## | [1] chron_2.3-4 | 5 colorspace_1.2-4 | digest_0.6.4 | evaluate_0.5.5 |
|----|------------------|--------------------|---------------|-----------------|
| ## | [5] formatR_1.0 | grid_3.1.1 | gtable_0.1.2 | htmltools_0.2.6 |
| ## | [9] knitr_1.7 | labeling_0.3 | MASS_7.3-35 | memoise_0.2.1 |
| ## | [13] munsell_0.4 | .2 plyr_1.8.1 | proto_0.3-10 | Rcpp_0.11.3 |
| ## | [17] reshape2_1. | 4 rmarkdown_0.3.3 | stringr_0.6.2 | tools_3.1.1 |
| ## | [21] yaml_2.1.13 | | | |