

SCS 2211 - Laboratory II

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Welcome to SCS 2211

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Intended Learning Outcomes

- ✓ Perform basic mathematics and simple manipulations with Octave and R
- ✓ Perform basic statistical operations with R
- ✓ Use Octave and R for basic plotting
- ✓ Write and execute scripts in Octave and R
- ✓ Use different data analysis techniques in Octave and R
- ✓ Understand how to explore and describe various real-life data sets, using R

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- 2L + 1P
- Evaluation Criteria
 - Final Examination – 70%
 - Assignments – 30%
 - 2 in-class tests (R and Octave)
 - 1 take home assignments (R and Octave)

Getting Familiar With The Terminologies

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❑ **Data**

- ❑ Facts and figures

❑ **Data Set**

- ❑ All the data collected in a particular study

❑ **Elements/Individuals**

- ❑ Entities on which data are collected
- ❑ The objects described by a set of data
- ❑ May be people, animals or things

Getting Familiar With The Terminologies

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❏ Variable

- ❏ A characteristic of interest for the elements.
- ❏ Can take different values for different individuals

❏ Observation

- ❏ Set of measurements collected for a particular element

Make and model	Vehicle type	Transmission type	Number of cylinders	City mpg	Highway mpg	Carbon footprint (tons)
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Aston Martin Vantage	Two-seater	Manual	8	12	19	13.1
Honda Civic	Subcompact	Automatic	4	25	36	6.3
Toyota Prius	Midsize	Automatic	4	51	48	3.7
Chevrolet Impala	Large	Automatic	6	18	29	8.3
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The diagram illustrates the structure of a data set. It features a table with three columns: 'Stock Exchange', 'Annual Sales(\$M)', and 'Earn/Share(\$)'. The rows represent individual observations for five companies: Dataram, EnergySouth, Keystone, LandCare, and Psychomedics. Callouts identify the components: 'Element Names' points to the company names, 'Company' points to the first column, 'Observation' points to a single row, 'Variables' points to the column headers, and 'Data Set' points to the entire table.

Company	Stock Exchange	Annual Sales(\$M)	Earn/Share(\$)
Dataram	AMEX	73.10	0.86
EnergySouth	OTC	74.00	1.67
Keystone	NYSE	365.70	0.86
LandCare	NYSE	111.40	0.33
Psychomedics	AMEX	17.60	0.13

Scales of Measurements

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4 types

- Nominal
- Ordinal
- Interval
- Ratio

Scales of Measurements cont

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- **Nominal**

- Nominal **labels** or **names** used to identify an attribute of the element
- Can be recorded using **numeric code**
- Ex Subject Codes, Gender, ID No

- **Ordinal**

- Displays the properties of nominal data yet, the ranking or the ordering is meaningful
- A nonnumeric label or numeric code may be used.
- Ex Rating of an app, Ranking of students in a class, quality of a service

Scales of Measurements

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- **Interval**

- The interval between observations is expressed in terms of a fixed unit of measure
- already established, constant, and measurable
- Ex Temperature, Year

- **Ratio scale**

- The ratio of two values is meaningful.
- This scale must contain a zero value.
- Ex Height, Weight

TASK

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 2. List of popular video games. What is the level of measurement being used in this case?
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 - b. Interval
 - c. Ordinal
 - d. Nominal

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Data - Quantitative Data

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- Indicate **how many** or **how much**.
 - Discrete - if measuring how many
 - Continuous - if measuring how much
- Quantitative data are always numeric.
- Ordinary arithmetic operations are meaningful for quantitative data.
- Arithmetic operations make sense

Data - Qualitative Data

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- Labels or names used to identify an attribute of each element.
- These are often referred to as **categorical data**
- Use either the **nominal or ordinal scale** of measurements.
- Qualitative data can be either **numeric or nonnumeric** and appropriate statistical analyses for them are rather limited.

Task

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a. Discrete b. Continuous

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Introduction to R

What is R

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- R is a free software environment for data manipulation, data analysis, statistical computing and graphics display
- A programming language
- Natural to use, complete data analyses in just a few lines



History of R

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- Originated from S
 - A statistical programming language developed by John Chambers at Bell Labs in the 1970 s
- The first version of R was developed by Robert Gentleman and Ross Ihaka at the University of Auckland in the mid 1990's
- Freely available under the GNU General Public License

Why R

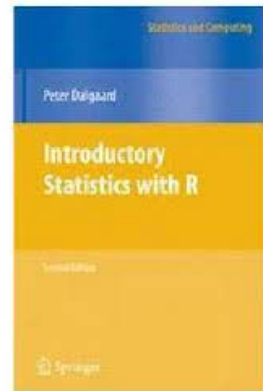
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- Free and Open source
- Statistical programming
- Graphics
- Operating system agnostic
- Linear and nonlinear model
- Built in testing and help
- Many add-on

Learning Resources

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- “Introductory Statistics with R“, by Peter Dalgaard, Springer (2002)
- An Introduction to R. Notes on R: A Programming Environment for Data Analysis and Graphics, by W. N. Venables, D. M. Smith.
- An Introduction R: Introduction and examples, by Deepayan Sarkar
 - <https://www.isid.ac.in/~deepayan/R-tutorials/>
 - <https://www.isid.ac.in/~deepayan/R-tutorials/labs/>



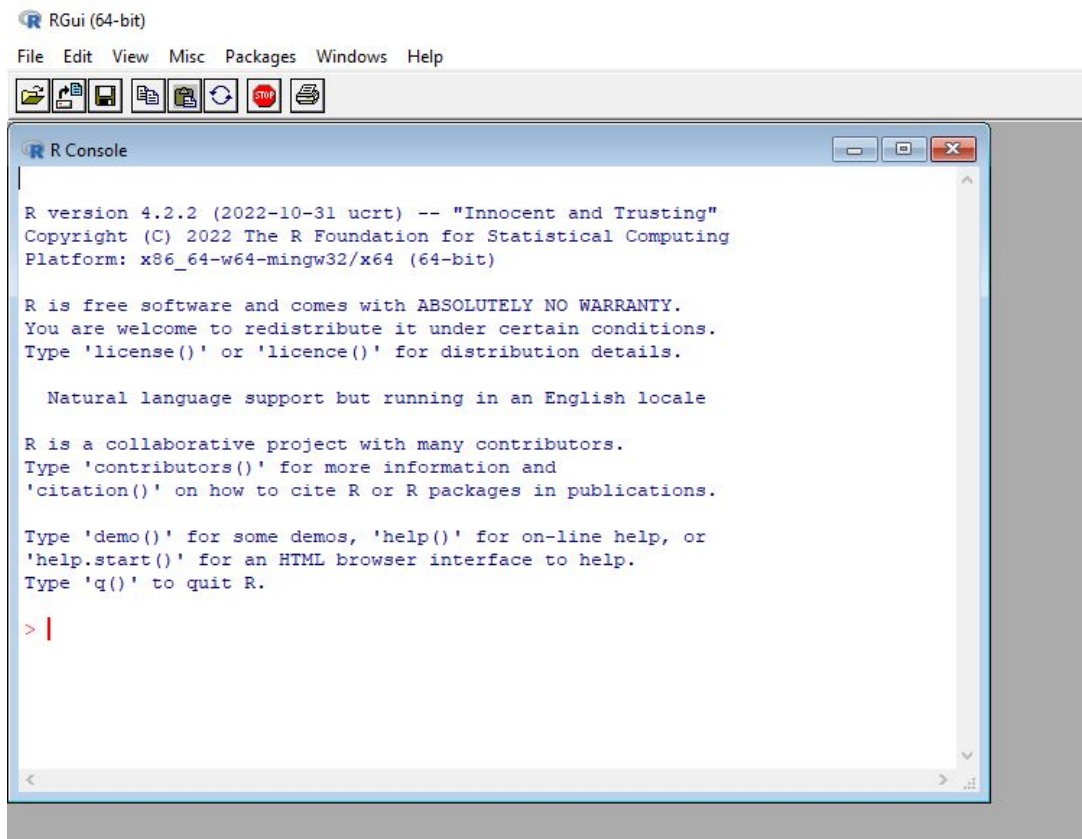
Installing R

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- Download relevant binary from
 - <https://cran.r-project.org/mirrors.html> and Install.
- Official page <https://www.r-project.org/>

R console

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R help

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R has an inbuilt help facility

- Functions
 - `help(<keyword>)`
 - `?<keyword>`

R searching

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- Searching
 - `?help.search`
- HTML format
 - `help.start()`
- For examples
 - `example (<topic>)`

Objects

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R works on objects.

Objects have following properties

- mode : type of object
- length : no: of components of the object
- Objects store information.
- Data sets are stored in “data frame object”s.
- R has several important kinds of objects; for example: functions, vectors (numeric, character, logical), matrices, lists, and data frames.

R Objects

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Results of calculations can be stored in objects using the assignment operators:

- An arrow (<-) formed by a smaller than character and a hyphen without a space!
- The equal character (=).

```
> s <- "this is a character string"
> s
[1] "this is a character string"
```

```
> x <- 2
> x + x
[1] 4
> yVar2 = x + 3
> yVar2
[1] 5
```

Identifiers

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Identifier is used to name your objects

Rules for writing Identifiers in R

- Identifiers can be a combination of letters, digits, period (.) and underscore (_).
- It must start with a letter or a period. If it starts with a period, it cannot be followed by a digit.
- Reserved words in R cannot be used as identifiers .
- R is case sensitive, X and x are two different objects, as well as temp and tempP.

Unique name given to variable (function and objects as well) is identifier

Identifiers

- Valid identifiers in R

total, Sum, .fine.with.dot, this_is_acceptable, Number5

- Invalid identifiers in R

tot@l, 5um, _fine, TRUE, .0ne

Best Practices

For example, **a.variable.name** is preferred over **a_variable_name** or alternatively we could use camel case as **aVariableName**

R is a case sensitive language.

FOO, Foo, and foo are three
different objects

R Functions, Arguments and Return Values

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R works by calling functions

- A function takes a collection of inputs and maps them to a single output
 - Inputs - Arguments
 - Output - Return Value
- User can define their own functions
- They can be assigned to variables,
- They can be used as arguments in other function calls.

Everything that
exists is an object.

Everything that
happens is a
function call.

Computations in R

R session Management

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- R has the ability to save objects, to be loaded again later.
- Whenever exiting, R asks to save all the variables created by the user, and restores them when starting up the next time (in the same directory).
- To exit the R session, type `quit()`

`> quit()`

R sessions

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- Listing the objects in the current R session
- We can list the names of the objects in the current R session by `ls()` command. For example, start R session fresh and proceed as follows:

```
> a = 1
> b = 5
> c = 4
> sum = a+b+c
> sum
[1] 10
>
>
> ls()
[1] "a"    "b"    "c"    "sum"
> |
```

Removing objects from the current R session

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Specific objects created in the current session can be removed using **rm()** command. If we specify the name of an object, it will be removed.

If we just say **rm(list = ls())** , all objects created so far will be removed.

```
> a = 1
> b = 5
> c = 4
> sum = a+b+c
> sum
[1] 10
>
>
> ls()
[1] "a" "b" "c" "sum"
>
>
> rm(list=c("sum"))
>
> ls()
[1] "a" "b" "c"
> |
```

```
>
> ls()
[1] "a" "b" "c"
>
> rm(list=ls())
> ls()
character(0)
> |
```

Getting and setting the current working directories

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- From R prompt, we can get information about the current working directory using **getwd()** command:

```
>  
> getwd()  
[1] "C:/Users/Ashmari/Documents"  
> |
```

- Similarly, we can set the current working directory by calling **setwd()** function:

```
> setwd("C:/Users/Ashmari/Documents/R scripts")  
> getwd()  
[1] "C:/Users/Ashmari/Documents/R scripts"  
> |
```

R as a Simple Calculator

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```
> 1
[1] 1
> 1+2
[1] 3
> 1+5.5
[1] 6.5
> 1+2-3/4*5
[1] -0.75
```

R as a Simple Calculator

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Build in character constants

- LETTERS
 - The 2 upper-case letters of the roman alphabet
- letters
 - 26 lower case letters of the roman alphabet
- month.abb
 - The three letter abbreviations for english months names
- month.name
 - The english names for months of the year

R as a Simple Calculator

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- Imaginary numbers
 - $\text{sqrt}(-1) = \text{NaN}$ $\text{sqrt}(-1 + 0i) = 0 + 1i$
- Trigonometric functions
 - $\text{sin}()$, $\text{cos}()$, $\text{tan}()$
- Logarithms
 - $\text{log}(5)$
 - $\text{log10}(5)$
 - exp

Order of precedence

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Operator precedence

- Exponential and roots
- Multiplication and division
- Addition and subtraction

Data Types in R

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Numeric - Decimal (floating point values) are part of the numeric class in R

```
> n <- 2.2
```

Integer - Natural (whole) numbers are known as integers and are also part of the numeric class

```
> i <- 2L
```

Data Types in R

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- When you write numbers like 4 and 3, they are interpreted as floating-point numbers.
- To explicitly get an integer, you must write 4L and 3L

```
>  
> class(4)  
[1] "numeric"  
>  
> class(4L)  
[1] "integer"  
> |
```

Data Types in R cont.

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Logical - Boolean values (True and False) are part of the logical class. In R these are written in All Caps.

```
> t <- TRUE  
> f <- FALSE
```

Characters - Text/string values are known as characters in R. You use quotation marks to create a text character string:

```
> char <- "Hello World"  
> char  
[1] "Hello World"
```

Data Types in R cont.

You can use the `class()` function to check the data type of a variable:

```
> n <- 2.2
> n.1 <- 4
> i <- 2L
> f <- FALSE
> c <- "Hello World"
```

```
> class(n)
[1] "numeric"
> class(n.1)
[1] "numeric"
> class(i)
[1] "integer"
> class(f)
[1] "logical"
> class(c)
[1] "character"
```

Special Types

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In addition, there are four special constants,

- NULL : used to indicate the empty object
- NA : for absent (“Not Available”) data values
- Inf : denotes infinity
- NaN: is not-a-number

E.x.: Determine $1/0$, $0/1$, $0/0$, $-2/0$

```
> 1/0
[1] Inf
> 0/1
[1] 0
> 0/0
[1] NaN
> -2/0
[1] -Inf
```

R-Objects

- The variables are assigned with R-Objects and the data type of the R-object becomes the data type of the variable.
- There are many types of R- objects. The frequently used ones are
 - Vectors
 - Lists
 - Matrices
 - Arrays
 - Factors
 - Data Frames

Vectors

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- A vector is the most common and basic data structure in R and is pretty much the workhorse of R.
- Create an empty vector with `vector()`
 - The general pattern is `vector(class of object, length)`.
- The function `c()` is used to create vectors:

```
> # Using c() to create a vector of numeric elements
> nvec <- c(1,2,3,4,5)
> class(nvec)
[1] "numeric"
```

Vectors cont.

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- `x` is a numeric vector
 - `x <- c(1, 2, 3)`
- Then if we want to add 2 to everything in this vector, or to square each entry:
- You can also have logical vectors.
 - `y <- c(TRUE, TRUE, FALSE, FALSE)`
- Finally you can have character vectors:
 - `z <- c("Alec", "Dan", "Rob", "Rich")`

Vectors cont.

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- Examine your vector
 - `typeof(z)`
 - `length(z)`
 - `class(z)`
 - `str(z)`

Vectors cont.

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`seq()` creates a sequence of equidistant numbers

```
> seq(from=1, to=50, by=7)
```

```
> v1 <- 1:4
> v1
[1] 1 2 3 4
> v2 <- seq(1, 50, 7)
> v2
[1] 1 8 15 22 29 36 43 50
> v3 <- rep(1, 4)
> v3
[1] 1 1 1 1
> v4 <- rep("A", 4)
> v4
[1] "A" "A" "A" "A"
> |
```

Sometimes it's necessary to have repeated values, for which we use `rep()`

Vectors cont.

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Simple arithmetic operations can be performed on vectors

```
> c(1,2,3) + c(4,5,6)
[1] 5 7 9
> numbers + numbers
[1] 2 4 6
> numbers*2
[1] 2 4 6
> c(10,20,30)/10
[1] 1 2 3
_ |
```

Home Work

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Find out what happens if we mixed the data types in a vector.

Add vectors of different lengths?

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When two vectors are not of equal length, the shorter one is recycled.

– E.g.: The following adds 0 to all the odd elements and 2 to all the even elements of 1:10

```
> 1:10 + c(0, 2)
[1] 1 4 3 6 5 8 7 10 9 12
```

Indexing vectors

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We use the indexing to reach certain elements of the vector

- R indices start at 1

```
>
> v <- c("A", "B", "C", "D")
> v[2]
[1] "B"
> v[2:4]
[1] "B" "C" "D"
> v[c(1:2, 4)]
[1] "A" "B" "D"
> |
```

Matrices

- Matrices are a special vector in R.
- They are not a separate class of object but simply a vector but now with dimensions added on to it.
- Matrices have rows and columns
- Matrices are constructed **column wise**.

```
>
>
> matrix(1:12, nrow=3, ncol=4)
      [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4]
[1,]    1    4    7   10
[2,]    2    5    8   11
[3,]    3    6    9   12
>
>
>
> m <- matrix(1:12, nrow=3, ncol=4)
> dim(m)
[1] 3 4
> |
```

Matrices

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Ways to construct a matrix

```
m <- 1:10
```

```
dim(m) <- c(2, 5)
```

- Another way is to bind columns or rows using **cbind()** and **rbind()**.

```
>
> m <- 1:10
> dim(m) <- c(2, 5)
> m
      [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4] [,5]
[1,]    1    3    5    7    9
[2,]    2    4    6    8   10
> |
```

```
> v1 <- 1:4
> v2 <- rep(1:4)
> cbind(v1, v2)
      v1 v2
[1,]  1  1
[2,]  2  2
[3,]  3  3
[4,]  4  4
>
> rbind(v1, v2)
      [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4]
v1      1    2    3    4
v2      1    2    3    4
> |
```


Matrices

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Matrices do not need to be numeric, there can be character or logical matrices as well:

```
> matrix(month.name, nrow=6)
      [,1]      [,2]
[1,] "January"  "July"
[2,] "February" "August"
[3,] "March"    "September"
[4,] "April"    "October"
[5,] "May"      "November"
[6,] "June"     "December"
> |
```

```
> x <- matrix(1:12, nrow = 3, byrow = TRUE)
> rownames(x) <- LETTERS[1:3]
> x
      [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4]
A       1   2   3   4
B       5   6   7   8
C       9  10  11  12
> |
```

Matrices

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Transpose : `t()` function

```
> x <- matrix(1:12, nrow = 3, byrow = TRUE)
> x
      [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4]
[1,]     1     2     3     4
[2,]     5     6     7     8
[3,]     9    10    11    12
> t(x)
      [,1] [,2] [,3]
[1,]     1     5     9
[2,]     2     6    10
[3,]     3     7    11
[4,]     4     8    12
```

List

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```
> list(1, 's', c(1:5))  
[[1]]  
[1] 1  
  
[[2]]  
[1] "s"  
  
[[3]]  
[1] 1 2 3 4 5
```

- Lists are very flexible data structures used extensively in R.
- A list is a vector, but the elements of a list do not need to be of the same type.
 - Each element of a list can be any R object, including another list
- Lists could consist components with different mode

List

```
> Lst <- list(name="Fred", wife="Mary", no.children=3,
+ child.ages=c(4,7,9))
> Lst
$name
[1] "Fred"

$wife
[1] "Mary"

$no.children
[1] 3

$child.ages
[1] 4 7 9

> Lst[[1]]
[1] "Fred"
> Lst[[4]]
[1] 4 7 9
> Lst[[4]][1]
[1] 4
> Lst$name
[1] "Fred"
> Lst$child.ages[1]
[1] 4
> Lst[["name"]]
[1] "Fred"
```

Thank You



Feedback / Comments

<https://forms.gle/dwboWCsoCzpjMdFc7>