

Homework3 for STAT535

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1.

```
library(stringr)
nhl1415 <- readLines("http://www.stat.cmu.edu/~cshalizi/statcomp/14/hw/03/NHLHockeySchedule2.html")
#which(nchar(nhl1415)==max(nchar(nhl1415)))
```

a. How many lines does it contain?

```
length(nhl1415)
```

```
## [1] 3141
```

b. What is the total number of characters in the file?

```
sum(nchar(nhl1415))
```

```
## [1] 2482700
```

c. What is the maximum number of characters in a line?

```
max(nchar(nhl1415))
```

```
## [1] 16047
```

2. Answer: The first game is Montreal versus Toronto. The final game is Edmonton versus Vancouver.

3. Answer: The number of line corresponding to game 1 is

```
grep("Wed Oct 8, 2014.*Montreal",nhl1415)
```

```
## [1] 480
```

The number of line corresponding to game 1230 is

```
grep("Sat Apr 11, 2015.*Edmonton",nhl1415)
```

```
## [1] 2950
```

The line corresponding to game 1 begins </h3>. The rest of them begin with with </td>.

4. Answer: For most URL for purchasing tickets, the link has home team in it.

5. Answer:

```
gamerows=grep('class="skedStartDateSite">(.*?)</div>',nhl1415)
length(gamerows)
```

```
## [1] 1230
```

6. Answer:

```
Dates=str_match(nhl1415[gamerows], 'class="skedStartDateSite">(.*?)</div>')
date=Dates[,2]
date[1:10]
```

```
## [1] "Wed Oct 8, 2014" "Wed Oct 8, 2014" "Wed Oct 8, 2014"
## [4] "Wed Oct 8, 2014" "Thu Oct 9, 2014" "Thu Oct 9, 2014"
## [7] "Thu Oct 9, 2014" "Thu Oct 9, 2014" "Thu Oct 9, 2014"
## [10] "Thu Oct 9, 2014"
```

7. Answer: Away team:

```
away.pattern='Away.*javascript:void\\(0\\);">(.*?)</a>.*?Home'  
away.team=str_match(nhl1415[gamerows],away.pattern)  
away=away.team[,2]  
away[1:10]
```

```
## [1] "Montreal"      "Philadelphia"  "Vancouver"    "San Jose"  
## [5] "Columbus"      "New Jersey"   "Anaheim"      "Montreal"  
## [9] "Boston"        "Florida"
```

Home team:

```
Home.pattern='Home.*javascript:void\\(0\\);">(.*?)</a>.*?Time'  
Home.team=str_match(nhl1415[gamerows],Home.pattern)  
Home=Home.team[,2]  
Home[1:10]
```

```
## [1] "Toronto"      "Boston"       "Calgary"      "Los Angeles"  
## [5] "Buffalo"      "Philadelphia" "Pittsburgh"   "Washington"  
## [9] "Detroit"      "Tampa Bay"
```

8. Answer:

```
time.pattern='skedStartTimeEST">(.*?)</div>'  
game.time=str_match(nhl1415[gamerows],time.pattern)  
Time=game.time[,2]  
Time[1:10]
```

```
## [1] "7:00 PM ET"  "7:30 PM ET"  "10:00 PM ET" "10:00 PM ET" "7:00 PM ET"  
## [6] "7:00 PM ET"  "7:00 PM ET"  "7:00 PM ET"  "7:30 PM ET"  "7:30 PM ET"
```

9. Answer: I am a little confused with this problem. In part 4, it mentions that the goal is to extract the URL for buying ticket. However, the URL for the **TICKET**> button is not for purchasing tickets. Actually, the **BUY/SELL** button is for buying tickets. In this question, I identify these two URL because I am not sure which the right one is.

The URL for the **TICKET**> button:

```
URLgamerows=c(gamerows[2:1230], gamerows[1230]+2)  
URL.pattern1='href="(.*?)"><span>TICKETS'  
URL1=str_match(nhl1415[URLgamerows],URL.pattern1)  
T.URL=URL1[,2]  
length(T.URL)
```

```
## [1] 1230
```

```
T.URL[1:5]
```

```
## [1] "http://www.ticketmaster.ca/artist/806033?intcmp=tm204081&wt.mc_id=NHL_LEAGUE_TIX_LIST_PR_TOR"  
## [2] "http://www.ticketmaster.com/artist/805902?brand=nhlgeneric&intcmp=tm204056&wt.mc_id=NHL_LEAGUE_  
## [3] "http://www.ticketmaster.ca/artist/805907?intcmp=tm204058&wt.mc_id=NHL_LEAGUE_TIX_LIST_PR_CAL"  
## [4] "http://www.ticketmaster.com/artist/805961?intcmp=tm204067&wt.mc_id=NHL_LEAGUE_TIX_LIST_PR_LAK"  
## [5] "http://sabres.nhl.com/club/page.htm?id=82007"
```

The URL for purchasing ticket should be the **BUY/SELL** button:

```
URL.pattern2='TICKETS</span></a><a class="btn" shape="rect" href="(.)"><span>BUY/SELL'  
URL2=str_match(nhl1415[URLgamerows],URL.pattern2)  
B.URL=URL2[,2]  
length(B.URL)
```

```
## [1] 1230
```

```
B.URL[1:5]
```

```
## [1] "http://www.ticketsnow.com/nhl/Toronto-Maple-Leafs-tickets?intcmp=tm204051&wt.mc_id=NHL_LEAGUE_T  
## [2] "https://teamexchange.ticketmaster.com/html/eventlist.html?l=EN&team=bruins&intcmp=tm204026&wt.m  
## [3] "http://www.ticketsnow.com/calgary-flames-tickets?intcmp=cr200076&wt.mc_id=NHL_TM_CAL_TE__PAGE_L  
## [4] "https://teamexchange.ticketmaster.com/html/eventlist.html?l=EN&team=kings&brand=nhl&intcmp=tm20  
## [5] "http://www.ticketsnow.com/nhl/buffalo-sabres-tickets?intcmp=tm204027&wt.mc_id=NHL_LEAGUE_TIX_LI
```

For the URL for purchasing ticket button, most links have the home team in it.

10. Answer:

```
df=data.frame(date, away, Home, Time, B.URL)  
df[1221:1230,]
```

```
##           date      away      Home      Time  
## 1221 Sat Apr 11, 2015  Montreal      Toronto  7:00 PM ET  
## 1222 Sat Apr 11, 2015 New Jersey      Florida  7:00 PM ET  
## 1223 Sat Apr 11, 2015  Columbus NY Islanders  7:00 PM ET  
## 1224 Sat Apr 11, 2015    Detroit      Carolina  7:00 PM ET  
## 1225 Sat Apr 11, 2015    Boston      Tampa Bay  7:30 PM ET  
## 1226 Sat Apr 11, 2015 Minnesota      St. Louis  7:30 PM ET  
## 1227 Sat Apr 11, 2015 Nashville      Dallas   8:00 PM ET  
## 1228 Sat Apr 11, 2015    Chicago      Colorado  9:00 PM ET  
## 1229 Sat Apr 11, 2015    Anaheim      Arizona   9:00 PM ET  
## 1230 Sat Apr 11, 2015  Edmonton      Vancouver 10:00 PM ET
```

```
##
```

```
## 1221                                     http://www.ticketsnow.com/nhl/Toronto-Maple-Leafs-tickets?intcmp  
## 1222 https://teamexchange.ticketmaster.com/html/eventlist.html?l=EN&team=panthersnhl&brand=nhl&intcmp  
## 1223                                     http://www.ticketsnow.com/nhl/new-york-islanders-tickets?intcmp  
## 1224                                     http://www.ticketsnow.com/nhl/carolina-hurricanes-tickets?intcmp  
## 1225                                     http://www.ticketsnow.com/nhl/tampa-bay-lightning-tickets?intcmp  
## 1226                                     http://www.ticketsnow.com/nhl/st-louis-blues-tickets?intcmp  
## 1227                                     http://www.ticketsnow.com/nhl/dallas-stars-tickets?intcmp  
## 1228                                     http://www.ticketsnow.com/nhl/colorado-avalanche-tickets?intcmp  
## 1229                                     http://www.ticketsnow.com/nhl/arizona-coyotes-tickets/?intcmp  
## 1230                                     http://www.ticketsnow.com/vancouver-canucks-tickets?intcmp
```