

# ISTA 116: Lab Assignment #1 (50 pts)

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Due by the end of lab on Aug. 30-31 (as appropriate)



## 1 (Textbook 1.4) Calculation (8 pts)

Use R as you would a calculator to find numeric answers to the following (each lettered subpart worth 2 pts):

a.  $1 + 2 * (3 + 4) = 15$

b.  $4^3 + 3^(2 + 1) = 91$

c.  $\text{sqrt}((4 + 3) * (2 + 1)) = 4.582578$

d.  $((1 + 2) / (3 + 4))^2 = 0.1836735$

## 2 (Text 1.8) Arithmetic With Vectors (8 pts)

Let our small data set be:

*2 5 4 10 8*

a. Enter this data into a data vector x.

$$x <- c(2, 5, 4, 10, 8)$$

b. Find the square of each number.

$$x^2 = 4 \ 25 \ 16 \ 100 \ 64$$

c. Subtract 6 from each number.

$$x - 6 = -4 \ -1 \ -2 \ 4 \ 2$$

d. Subtract 9 from each number and then square the resulting values.

$$(x-9)^2 = 49 \ 16 \ 25 \ 1 \ 1$$

Use a single line of code for each letter (2 pts each).

## 3 (Text 1.14) Summarizing a Vector (9 pts)

You track your commute times for ten days, recording the following times in minutes: 17 16 20 24 22 15 21 15 17 22

a. (4 pts) Enter these into R. Use the function `max()` to find the longest commute time, the function `mean()` to find the average, and the function `min()` to find the minimum.

```
x <- c(17, 16, 20, 24, 22, 15, 21, 15, 17, 22)
```

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max(x) = 24
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mean(x) = 18.9
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```
min(x) = 15
```

b. (5 pts) How many times was your commute 20 minutes or more?



What percentage of your commutes are less than 18 minutes long? Use R to find these answers (Hint: Extract logical subsets, and use the `length()` function)

```
length(x[x > 19]) = 5    (20, 21, 22, 22, 24)
```

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length(x[x < 18])/length(x) = 0.5 (15 15 16 17 17)
```

#### **4 (Modified from Text 1.25) Accessing Parts of a Data Frame (14 pts)**

The data set `nym.2002` in the `UsingR` package contains data about participants in the 2002 New York City Marathon. Use R commands to answer the following questions (include your code as well as the answer, where applicable).

a. (2 pts) Load the `UsingR` library into the workspace.

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library(UsingR) data(nym.2002)
```

b. (2 pts) How many participants are recorded in this data set (Hint: you can either use `length()` with an individual variable, or use the `nrow()` function on the entire data frame)?

**length(nym.2002\$place) = 1000**

- c. (3 pts) Create a variable called time.hrs that contains times converted to hours (you can leave the result as a decimal value).

**time.hrs = with(nym.2002, table(time))**

- d. (4 pts) Create a new data frame that contains the data for only those runners from New York State (Hint: select a subset of rows using the home variable).

- e. (3 pts) What percentage of the runners came from within the state?

#### 5 Reading in Data from a File (11 pts)

There is a data set available on d2l called BrainBodyWeight.csv, containing brain weights and body weights for various terrestrial (land) mammals.

**read.csv(BrainBodyWeight.csv)**

- a. (2 pts) Create a directory somewhere on your computer for R data sets in this class (you don't need to use R to do this). Download the data \_le from d2l into that folder, and in R, set your working directory there.

**setwd("/Users/kylealmryde/Desktop/Rstuff")**

- b. (2 pts) Read the \_le into R using read.csv(), and save it as a data frame (i.e., assign the output of read.csv() to a variable). Be sure to use the option header = TRUE so that R interprets the 1st row of the data as variable names.

**read.csv("BrainBodyWeight", header=TRUE)**

- c. (2 pts) Have R print out the variable names.

**names(BrainBodyWeight)**

- d. (2 pts) Use attach() to make the individual variables directly accessible.

**attach(BrainBodyWeight)**



e. (2 pts) How much does the heaviest brain weigh?

**.14 grams**

f. (1 pt) When you're finished, detach() the data frame, to keep the workspace clean

**detach(BrainBodyWeight)**