

Joining Vectors

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What are vectors?

- they are unidimensional matrices
- they can only hold one type of data, either numeric (integer or double), character, or logical (complex numbers)

What are data frames

- it is a two dimensional matrix: rows, and columns
- it can hold any type of data
- it can only hold different types of data in a certain way:
 - only columns can have different data types
 - within a column, all rows must have the same data type
- A data frame can also be defined as a collection of vectors (they can be of different or the same type) all of the same length!

```
surveys <- read.csv(file = "../data-raw/surveys.csv")
str(surveys)
```

```
## 'data.frame':  35549 obs. of  9 variables:
## $ record_id      : int  1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 ...
## $ month          : int  7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 ...
## $ day            : int  16 16 16 16 16 16 16 16 16 16 ...
## $ year           : int  1977 1977 1977 1977 1977 1977 1977 1977 1977 1977 ...
## $ plot_id        : int  2 3 2 7 3 1 2 1 1 6 ...
## $ species_id     : chr   "NL" "NL" "DM" "DM" ...
## $ sex            : chr   "M" "M" "F" "M" ...
## $ hindfoot_length: int   32 33 37 36 35 14 NA 37 34 20 ...
## $ weight         : int   NA NA NA NA NA NA NA NA NA NA ...
```

Creating vectors - review

A character vector with the function `c()`

```
c("luna", "Avi", "Anita", "James", "Charles", "Damian", "Davinder") -> our_names
str(our_names)
```

```
## chr [1:7] "luna" "Avi" "Anita" "James" "Charles" "Damian" "Davinder"
```

```
1:7 # the colon operator creates a vector of numbers
```

```
## [1] 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
```

```
1:7 -> my_numbers
-100:200
```

```
## [1] -100 -99 -98 -97 -96 -95 -94 -93 -92 -91 -90 -89 -88 -87 -86
## [16] -85 -84 -83 -82 -81 -80 -79 -78 -77 -76 -75 -74 -73 -72 -71
## [31] -70 -69 -68 -67 -66 -65 -64 -63 -62 -61 -60 -59 -58 -57 -56
## [46] -55 -54 -53 -52 -51 -50 -49 -48 -47 -46 -45 -44 -43 -42 -41
## [61] -40 -39 -38 -37 -36 -35 -34 -33 -32 -31 -30 -29 -28 -27 -26
## [76] -25 -24 -23 -22 -21 -20 -19 -18 -17 -16 -15 -14 -13 -12 -11
## [91] -10 -9 -8 -7 -6 -5 -4 -3 -2 -1 0 1 2 3 4
## [106] 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19
## [121] 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34
## [136] 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49
## [151] 50 51 52 53 54 55 56 57 58 59 60 61 62 63 64
## [166] 65 66 67 68 69 70 71 72 73 74 75 76 77 78 79
## [181] 80 81 82 83 84 85 86 87 88 89 90 91 92 93 94
## [196] 95 96 97 98 99 100 101 102 103 104 105 106 107 108 109
## [211] 110 111 112 113 114 115 116 117 118 119 120 121 122 123 124
## [226] 125 126 127 128 129 130 131 132 133 134 135 136 137 138 139
## [241] 140 141 142 143 144 145 146 147 148 149 150 151 152 153 154
## [256] 155 156 157 158 159 160 161 162 163 164 165 166 167 168 169
## [271] 170 171 172 173 174 175 176 177 178 179 180 181 182 183 184
## [286] 185 186 187 188 189 190 191 192 193 194 195 196 197 198 199
## [301] 200
```

In how many steps does the colon operator increase? It increases in a step of 1.

What do we do if I want to create a numeric sequence that increases in steps different than 1? `?seq`

```
seq(-100, 200, by = 0.1) -> my_numbers
str(my_numbers)
```

```
## num [1:3001] -100 -99.9 -99.8 -99.7 -99.6 -99.5 -99.4 -99.3 -99.2 -99.1 ...
```

```
letters
```

```
## [1] "a" "b" "c" "d" "e" "f" "g" "h" "i" "j" "k" "l" "m" "n" "o" "p" "q" "r" "s"
## [20] "t" "u" "v" "w" "x" "y" "z"
```

```
LETTERS
```

```
## [1] "A" "B" "C" "D" "E" "F" "G" "H" "I" "J" "K" "L" "M" "N" "O" "P" "Q" "R" "S"
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```

Creating data frames from vectors

The most general way to do this is with the function `data.frame()`:

```
data.frame(names = our_names, numbers = my_numbers)
```

```
## Error in data.frame(names = our_names, numbers = my_numbers): arguments imply differing number of rows
```

Remember: Vectors must have the same length (or be a multiple of each other) to be part of a data frame!

```
data.frame(names = our_names, numbers = 1:7)
```

```
##      names numbers
## 1     luna       1
## 2      Avi       2
## 3    Anita       3
## 4    James       4
## 5  Charles       5
## 6   Damian       6
```

```
## 7 Davinder      7
```

R will recycle the values only if they are a multiple of the vector:

```
data.frame(names = our_names, numbers = 1)
```

```
##      names numbers
## 1     luna      1
## 2      Avi      1
## 3     Anita      1
## 4     James      1
## 5   Charles      1
## 6    Damian      1
## 7 Davinder      1
```

To recycle the values of a numeric vector of length 2, we have to repeat the vector of names two times, so it is a multiple of 2:

```
data.frame(names = rep(our_names, 2), numbers = c(2, 5.5))
```

```
##      names numbers
## 1     luna    2.0
## 2      Avi    5.5
## 3     Anita    2.0
## 4     James    5.5
## 5   Charles    2.0
## 6    Damian    5.5
## 7 Davinder    2.0
## 8     luna    5.5
## 9      Avi    2.0
## 10    Anita    5.5
## 11    James    2.0
## 12   Charles    5.5
## 13    Damian    2.0
## 14 Davinder    5.5
```

Exercise 6

You have data on the length, width, and height of 10 individuals of the yew *Taxus baccata* stored in the following vectors:

```
my_length <- c(2.2, 2.1, 2.7, 3.0, 3.1, 2.5, 1.9, 1.1, 3.5, 2.9)
width <- c(1.3, 2.2, 1.5, 4.5, 3.1, NA, 1.8, 0.5, 2.0, 2.7)
height <- c(9.6, 7.6, 2.2, 1.5, 4.0, 3.0, 4.5, 2.3, 7.5, 3.2)
```

Make a data frame that contains these three vectors as columns along with a “genus” column containing the genus name *Taxus* on all rows and a “species” column containing the species epithet *baccata* on all rows.

```
data.frame(Length = my_length, Width = width, Height = height, genus = "Taxus", species = "baccata")
```

```
##      Length Width Height genus species
## 1      2.2   1.3    9.6 Taxus baccata
## 2      2.1   2.2    7.6 Taxus baccata
## 3      2.7   1.5    2.2 Taxus baccata
## 4      3.0   4.5    1.5 Taxus baccata
## 5      3.1   3.1    4.0 Taxus baccata
## 6      2.5   NA    3.0 Taxus baccata
## 7      1.9   1.8    4.5 Taxus baccata
```

```
## 8      1.1    0.5    2.3 Taxus baccata
## 9      3.5    2.0    7.5 Taxus baccata
## 10     2.9    2.7    3.2 Taxus baccata
```

?table ?length

```
my_table <- data.frame(width, length = my_length, height)
my_table$genus <- "Taxus"
my_table$species <- "baccata"
str(my_table)
```

```
## 'data.frame':    10 obs. of  5 variables:
## $ width : num  1.3 2.2 1.5 4.5 3.1 NA 1.8 0.5 2 2.7
## $ length: num  2.2 2.1 2.7 3 3.1 2.5 1.9 1.1 3.5 2.9
## $ height: num  9.6 7.6 2.2 1.5 4 3 4.5 2.3 7.5 3.2
## $ genus : chr  "Taxus" "Taxus" "Taxus" "Taxus" ...
## $ species: chr  "baccata" "baccata" "baccata" "baccata" ...
```

my_table

```
##      width length height genus species
## 1      1.3      2.2      9.6 Taxus baccata
## 2      2.2      2.1      7.6 Taxus baccata
## 3      1.5      2.7      2.2 Taxus baccata
## 4      4.5      3.0      1.5 Taxus baccata
## 5      3.1      3.1      4.0 Taxus baccata
## 6      NA      2.5      3.0 Taxus baccata
## 7      1.8      1.9      4.5 Taxus baccata
## 8      0.5      1.1      2.3 Taxus baccata
## 9      2.0      3.5      7.5 Taxus baccata
## 10     2.7      2.9      3.2 Taxus baccata
```

Extracting/accessing values from vectors and data frames

```
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```

One common way to extract or access vectors from column in a data frame is the dollar sign symbol \$

```
surveys$record_id -> record_id
```

Another way is with the square brackets []

```
surveys[1:10, "hindfoot_length"]
```

```
## [1] 32 33 37 36 35 14 NA 37 34 20
```

If I want all the values from the rows of column hindfoot length:

```
surveys[, "hindfoot_length"] -> hindfoot_length
```

Another way is using double square brackets

```
surveys[["record_id"]] %>%  
  head()
```

```
## [1] 1 2 3 4 5 6
```

Exercise 7

1. Use \$ to extract the weight column into a vector called surveys_weight

```
surveys$weight -> surveys_weight  
surveys_weight <- surveys$weight
```

2. Use [] to extract the month column into a vector called surveys_month

```
surveys[, "month"] -> surveys_month  
# if you use single square brackets you will still get a data frame  
surveys["month"] %>% head()
```

```
##   month  
## 1     7  
## 2     7  
## 3     7  
## 4     7  
## 5     7  
## 6     7
```

```
# so we need double square bracket to get the actual vector  
surveys[["month"]] %>% head()
```

```
## [1] 7 7 7 7 7 7
```

3. Extract the hindfoot_length column into a vector and calculate the mean hindfoot length ignoring missing values.

```
mean(surveys$hindfoot_length, na.rm = TRUE)
```

```
## [1] 29.28793
```

```
surveys$hindfoot_length -> hindfoot_length  
na.omit(hindfoot_length) %>% mean()
```

```
## [1] 29.28793
```

```
surveys[["hindfoot_length"]] %>% mean(na.rm = TRUE)
```

```
## [1] 29.28793
```

```
surveys[, "hindfoot_length"] %>% mean(na.rm = TRUE)
```

```
## [1] 29.28793
```