Lab-R Character Manipulation

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1. Using the 173 majors listed in fivethirtyeight.com's College Majors dataset [https://fivethirtyeight.com/features/the-economic-guide-to-picking-a-college-major/], provide code that identifies the majors that contain either "DATA" or "STATISTICS"

```
library(readr)
library(dplyr)
##
## Attaching package: 'dplyr'
## The following objects are masked from 'package:stats':
##
      filter, lag
## The following objects are masked from 'package:base':
##
##
      intersect, setdiff, setequal, union
# Reading data from website.
url <- "https://raw.githubusercontent.com/fivethirtyeight/data/master/college-majors/recent-grads.csv"
# Load the dataset from the url
college_majors <- read_csv(url)</pre>
## Rows: 173 Columns: 21
## -- Column specification -----
## Delimiter: ","
## chr (2): Major, Major_category
## dbl (19): Rank, Major_code, Total, Men, Women, ShareWomen, Sample_size, Empl...
## i Use 'spec()' to retrieve the full column specification for this data.
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i Specify the column types or set 'show_col_types = FALSE' to quiet this message.

```
# Filter majors that contain "DATA" or "STATISTICS"
filtered_majors <- college_majors %>%
 filter(grepl("DATA|STATISTICS", Major, ignore.case = TRUE))
# Show the majors that meet the specified criteria.
filtered_majors
## # A tibble: 3 x 21
     Rank Major_code Major Total Men Women Major_category ShareWomen Sample_size
    <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dr>
                6212 MANA~ 18713 13496 5217 Business
                                                                 0.279
                                                                               278
## 1
       25
## 2
       47
                3702 STAT~ 6251 2960 3291 Computers & M~
                                                                 0.526
                                                                                37
## 3
       54
                2101 COMP~ 4168 3046 1122 Computers & M~
                                                                 0.269
                                                                                43
## # i 12 more variables: Employed <dbl>, Full_time <dbl>, Part_time <dbl>,
      Full_time_year_round <dbl>, Unemployed <dbl>, Unemployment_rate <dbl>,
      Median <dbl>, P25th <dbl>, P75th <dbl>, College_jobs <dbl>,
## #
      Non_college_jobs <dbl>, Low_wage_jobs <dbl>
```

2. Write code that transforms the data below:

```
[1] "bell pepper" "bilberry" "blackberry" "blood orange" [5] "blueberry" "cantaloupe" "chili pepper" "cloudberry" [9] "elderberry" "lime" "lychee" "mulberry" [13] "olive" "salal berry" Into a format like this: c("bell pepper", "bilberry", "blackberry", "blood orange", "blueberry", "cantaloupe", "chili pepper", "cloudberry", "elderberry", "lime", "lychee", "mulberry", "olive", "salal berry")
```

```
# Create a string vector
fruit_data <- c('[1] "bell pepper" "bilberry"</pre>
                                                     "blackberry"
                                                                    "blood orange"
[5] "blueberry"
                   "cantaloupe" "chili pepper" "cloudberry"
[9] "elderberry"
                   "lime"
                                   "lychee"
                                                   "mulberry"
[13] "olive"
                    "salal berry"')
# Eliminate line identifiers and square brackets.
new_fruit_vector <- gsub("\\[\\d+\\] |\\n", "", fruit_data)</pre>
# Segment the string using double quotes as separators.
new fruit vector <- unlist(strsplit(new fruit vector, '\\"'))</pre>
# Filtering for only letters
new_fruit_vector <- new_fruit_vector[grep("[a-z]", new_fruit_vector)]</pre>
# Print the result
print(new fruit vector)
```

```
## [1] "bell pepper" "bilberry" "blackberry" "blood orange" "blueberry"
## [6] "cantaloupe" "chili pepper" "cloudberry" "elderberry" "lime"
## [11] "lychee" "mulberry" "olive" "salal berry"
```

```
comp_data <- c("bell pepper", "bilberry", "blackberry", "blood orange", "blueberry", "cantaloupe", "chi
# Print the result
comp_data</pre>
```

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## [1] "bell pepper" "bilberry" "blackberry" "blood orange" "blueberry"
## [6] "cantaloupe" "chili pepper" "cloudberry" "elderberry" "lime"
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3. Describe, in words, what these expressions will match:

- 1. (.)\1\1: Matches three consecutive characters that are all the same.
- 2. "(.)(\)\\2\\1": Matches any four character string where the first and last characters are the same, and the middle two characters are also the same.
- 3. (..)\1: Matches any four character string where the first two characters are the same as the last two characters.
- 4. "(.).\\1": Matches any five character string that the first and the third character are the same, and the third and fifth character are the same.
- 5. "(.)(.)(.).*\\3\\2\\1": Matches a string that begins with three characters in any order, followed by any number of characters, and ends with those same three characters in reverse order.

4. Construct regular expressions to match words that:

a.) Start and end with the same character. "^(.).\1\$" b.) Contain a repeated pair of letters (e.g. "church" contains "ch" repeated twice.) ".(.)\1.\1." c.) Contain one letter repeated in at least three places (e.g. "eleven" contains three "e"s.) ".(.)\1\1\1."