

Data Analytics in R

Session 3

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Course information: assignments deadlines

Assignment	Date of assignment	Deadline (midnight 23:59)
HW1	22 Sept 2022	28 Sept 2022
HW2	29 Sept 2022	5 Oct 2022
HW3	6 Oct 2022	12 Oct 2022
HW4	13 Oct 2022	19 Oct 2022
HW5	20 Oct 2022	2 Nov 2022
Paper summary	20 Oct 2022	20 Nov 2022
HW6	3 Nov 2022	9 Nov 2022
HW7	10 Nov 2022	16 Nov 2022
HW8	17 Nov 2022	23 Nov 2022
HW9	24 Nov 2022	30 Nov 2022
HW10	1 Dec 2022	7 Dec 2022
Project	TBA	14 Dec 2022
Final Presentations		15 Dec 2022



Course information: homework assignments

- The deadlines for all assignments are **strict deadlines** (usually Wednesday 23:59)
- Penalty is **-20%** from the **max grade** for the assignment for **each extra** late day
- Generally, if you submit **after 23:59**, it is considered **1 day over** the deadline
- But you have **5 late days** to submit without penalty, you can use these days at your own will across all the assignments
- For example, you are late for an assignment:
=> penalty of -20% for each day you're late is applied automatically

! Unless you reached to me through GitHub Discussions in advanced and told me that you want to use a specific number of late days

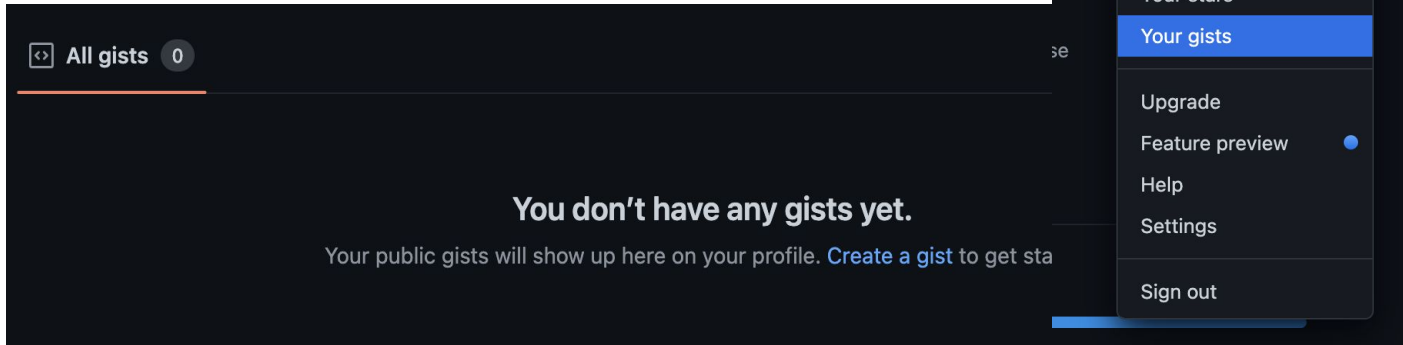


Course information: homework

- To complete the homework, you need to have your own GitHub account
- Start “watching” the repository:
https://github.com/Maria-13/DataAnalytics_R
- In ‘Assignments’ folder, go to the Rscript of ‘hw1’
- Copy/paste the code in your RStudio session
- Complete the assignment by adding your comments and script

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- In your GitHub account, find the “Gist” button
- It’s in the upper right corner, press on your “Profile” button
- A new page will open:





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- Press on “Create a new gist” button

Instantly share code, notes, and snippets.

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Add file

Create secret gist



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- You can copy and paste your R code here, or
- Press “Add file” and add your HW1 assignment as an R script file

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- In Gist description add “HW1_yourlastname”
- In “File name” add “HW1_yourlastname”
- Then press “Create Secret gist”

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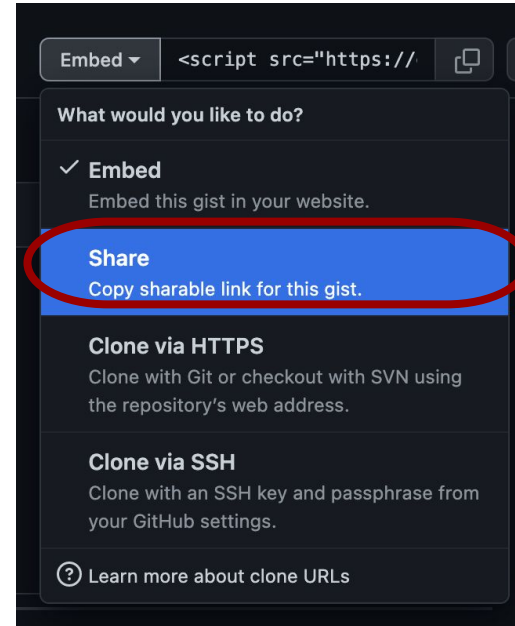
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- After the Gist has been created, go to the 'Embed' button
- It's in the upper right corner
- Press the button and choose "Share"
- The created link has to be submitted to the "Discussions" panel, as a comment to HW1 thread





Plan for today

1. Revision of the basic concepts in R
2. Practice session: working with vectors
3. Other data structures in R: factors, lists, arrays, matrices, dataframes
4. “Tidyverse” packages



Recap

What concepts/words do you remember from our first session?



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R functions

Assign operator

Function arguments

R object

Classes of objects

Object name (CASE
sensitive)

R data types

Working directory



Recap - Data types in R

Some possible confusion:

Data in R

Data types in R

Variables in R

R objects

Data classes

Data structures in R



Recap

Some confusion about R objects:

- In R, everything is an object!
- a **class** is the blueprint for an object
- There are different classes/types of R objects/variables
- In R, variables are assigned to objects rather than data types

Data types in R:

character, integer,
float, long, double

**5 basic types of objects /
data structures**

atomic vectors (+factors),
arrays, lists, matrices, data
frames



Data structures in R: vectors

- Vector is the simplest data structure in R
- A **numeric** vector is a single entity consisting of a collection of numbers (any real number)
- An **integer** vector is an atomic vector which consists of integers or NA items
- Numbers: **integer** (whole numbers), **double** (double precision for numeric values)
- When you store a number as a variable in R, it converts the number into a 'double' value, e.g 5.00
- Let's explore '*as.double*' and '*is.double*' functions in R



Data structures in R: vectors

- Vector is the simplest data structure in R
- A **logical** vector can have the values TRUE, FALSE, and NA (for “not available”): Abbreviations: **T**, **F**
- Logical vectors are generated by **conditions**
- For example, `temp <- x > 13`

sets *temp* as a vector of the same length as *x* with values FALSE corresponding to elements of *x* where the condition is not met and TRUE where it is met

- The logical operators are `<`, `<=`, `>`, `>=`, `==` for exact equality and `!=` for inequality



Data structures in R: vectors

- Vector is the simplest data structure in R
- A **character** vector is a string of characters or individual characters, quoted in “” or “
- Single and double quotes can be used **interchangeably** in R
- For example, “name1”, “name2” or ‘name1’, ‘name2’
- However, double quotes are **preferred** (and character variables are printed using double quotes)
- Explore 'as.character' and 'is.character' functions in R



Data structures in R: vectors - factors

- Vector is the simplest data structure in R
- A **factor** vector includes categorical variables or qualitative variables
- A **factor** is a **special character vector** where the elements have pre-defined groups or 'levels'
- By default, **factors go in alphanumerical order**
- Don't use *as.factor* function, use *factor()*, even when re-creating a factor
- Use the *levels()* function to check the levels if you need



Data structures in R: `class()` and `typeof()`

- Let's look at **`class()`** and **`typeof()`** functions -> a class is the blueprint for an object
- the **`class()`** is used to define/identify what "type" an object is from the point of view of object-oriented programming in R
- **`typeof()`** gives the "type" of object from R's point of view
- The main difference between *class* and *typeof* is that the first can be **defined by the user**, but the type cannot



Data structures in R: lists

- *List* is another type of object in R programming
- Lists are R objects that contain heterogeneous data types such as strings, numbers, vectors or another list
- The list is created using the `list()` function
- Let's create and explore lists in R
- You can access the list items by referring to its **index number**, inside brackets. The first item has index 1, the second item has index 2, and so on



Data structures in R: arrays

- **Arrays** can be considered as a multiply subscripted collection of data entries, for example numeric
- `array()` function is used to create **n-dimensional** array. This function takes *dim* attribute as an argument and creates required length of each dimension as specified in the attribute
- A dimension vector is a vector of non-negative integers
- You can access the array elements also by referring to the **index** position
- Let's explore `array()` function in R



Data structures in R: matrices and data frames

- **Matrices** are used in R to store values as 2-Dimensional arrays
- data, number of rows and columns are defined in the `matrix()` function
- **Data frames** are *2-dimensional* tabular data object in R
- They consists of multiple columns and each column represents a vector
- Columns in data frames can have different modes of data unlike matrices



Data structures in R: recap 'Tidyverse' packages

- Vectors (factors)
- Lists
- Arrays
- Matrices
- Data frames

Very important packages for data analysis:

<https://www.tidyverse.org/packages/>

Download and explore for our future sessions!



Data structures in R: matrices and data frames

- In **Session 4** we will discuss **Matrices** in more detail
- Then revise some basic **concepts for statistical analysis**
- In **Session 5** we will discuss **Data frames** in more detail
- And we will explore different packages for importing and visualising data in R

Thank you!