

Bios 6301: Assignment 2

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50 points total.

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Submit a single knitr file (named **homework2.rmd**) by email to michael.l.williams@vanderbilt.edu. Place your R code in between the appropriate chunks for each question. Check your output by using the **Knit HTML** button in RStudio.

1. **Working with data** In the **datasets** folder on the course GitHub repo, you will find a file called **cancer.csv**, which is a dataset in comma-separated values (csv) format. This is a large cancer incidence dataset that summarizes the incidence of different cancers for various subgroups. (18 points)

1. Load the data set into R and make it a data frame called **cancer.df**. (2 points)

```
cancer.df <- read.csv("C:\\Users\\megan\\OneDrive\\Documents\\Fall 2021\\Statistical Computing\\Bios6301\\  
# path is "C:\\Users\\megan\\OneDrive\\Documents\\Fall 2021\\Statistical  
# Computing\\Bios6301-main\\Bios6301-main\\datasets\\cancer.csv"
```

2. Determine the number of rows and columns in the data frame. (2)

```
nrow(cancer.df)
```

```
## [1] 42120
```

```
ncol(cancer.df)
```

```
## [1] 8
```

3. Extract the names of the columns in **cancer.df**. (2)

```
colnames(cancer.df)
```

```
## [1] "year"      "site"      "state"     "sex"       "race"
```

```
## [6] "mortality" "incidence" "population"
```

4. Report the value of the 3000th row in column 6. (2)

```
cancer.df[3000, 6]
```

```
## [1] 350.69
```

5. Report the contents of the 172nd row. (2)

```
cancer.df[172,]
```

```
##      year              site state sex  race mortality incidence  
## 172 1999 Brain and Other Nervous System nevada Male Black      0      0  
##      population  
## 172      73172
```

6. Create a new column that is the incidence *rate* (per 100,000) for each row. The incidence rate is the (number of cases)/(population at risk), which in this case means (number of cases)/(population at risk) * 100,000. (3)

```
cancer.df <- cbind(cancer.df, Incidence_Rate = (cancer.df$incidence/cancer.df$population*100000))
head(cancer.df)
```

```
##   year                site state sex   race mortality
## 1 1999 Brain and Other Nervous System alabama Female   Black      0.00
## 2 1999 Brain and Other Nervous System alabama Female Hispanic 0.00
## 3 1999 Brain and Other Nervous System alabama Female   White  83.67
## 4 1999 Brain and Other Nervous System alabama   Male   Black   0.00
## 5 1999 Brain and Other Nervous System alabama   Male Hispanic 0.00
## 6 1999 Brain and Other Nervous System alabama   Male   White 103.66
## incidence population Incidence_Rate
## 1      19      623475      3.047436
## 2       0       28101      0.000000
## 3     110     1640665      6.704598
## 4      18     539198      3.338291
## 5       0      37082      0.000000
## 6     145     1570643      9.231888
```

7. How many subgroups (rows) have a zero incidence rate? (2)

```
ix <- which(cancer.df[, 'Incidence_Rate']==0)
length(ix)
```

```
## [1] 23191
```

8. Find the subgroup with the highest incidence rate.(3)

```
which(cancer.df[, "Incidence_Rate"]==max(cancer.df$Incidence_Rate))
```

```
## [1] 5797
```

2. Data types (10 points)

1. Create the following vector: `x <- c("5","12","7")`. Which of the following commands will produce an error message? For each command, Either explain why they should be errors, or explain the non-erroneous result. (4 points)

```
max(x)
sort(x)
sum(x)
```

```
x <- c("5","12","7")
max(x)
```

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

```
# Max returns the highest value in the vector, which in this case is "7".
# Since these are of the character data type, the "7", and the "5", are higher
# than the "12" because it looks at the "1" first.
```

```
sort(x)
```

```
## [1] "12" "5"  "7"
```

```
# Sort returns the vector sorted into ascending order. As explained above,
# the "12" evaluates as lower than the "5" and "7" because the "1"
# character is lower.
```

Sum(x) will give an error because the elements in the vector are characters, and sum expects to add numeric values. Character values cannot be coerced into numeric data. In contrast, logical values are also not numeric, but can be coerced, so that would not produce an error.

2. For the next two commands, either explain their results, or why they should produce errors. (3 points)

```
y <- c("5",7,12)
y[2] + y[3]
```

y <- c("5",7,12)
This command produces a vector with three character values. The 7 and 12 are coerced into character values since the "5" is a character.

Similar to the sum in question 1, the second command in this problem will produce an error because it is attempting to perform arithmetic on two character values, rather than numbers.

3. For the next two commands, either explain their results, or why they should produce errors. (3 points)

```
z <- data.frame(z1="5",z2=7,z3=12)
z[1,2] + z[1,3]
```

z <- data.frame(z1="5",z2=7,z3=12)
This command produces a data frame with 1 row and 3 columns. The column names are z1, z2, and z3, defined in the arguments of the data.frame function. Each column is given its value for the only row by the value that follows the equal sign. The value in the first column ("5") is a character, the value in the second column (7) is numeric, and the value in the third column (12) is numeric.

```
z[1,2] + z[1,3]
```

```
## [1] 19
```

This command adds the value in the first row, second column and the value in the first row, third column. These are both numeric, so the command works.

3. **Data structures** Give R expressions that return the following matrices and vectors (*i.e.* do not construct them manually). (3 points each, 12 total)

1. (1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1)

```
x <- c(seq(1:8),seq(7, 1, -1))
x
```

```
## [1] 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1
```

2. (1, 2, 2, 3, 3, 3, 4, 4, 4, 4, 5, 5, 5, 5, 5)

```
rep(1:5, times = 1:5)
```

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

3.
$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

```
x <- matrix(rep(1, times = 9), nrow = 3)
diag(x) <- 0
```

```
x
```

```
##      [,1] [,2] [,3]
## [1,]    0    1    1
## [2,]    1    0    1
## [3,]    1    1    0
```

```
4.  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 4 & 9 & 16 \\ 1 & 8 & 27 & 64 \\ 1 & 16 & 81 & 256 \\ 1 & 32 & 243 & 1024 \end{pmatrix}$ 
```

```
a <- c((1:4), (1:4)^2, (1:4)^3, (1:4)^4, (1:4)^5)
am <- matrix(a, nrow = 5, byrow=TRUE)
am
```

```
##      [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4]
## [1,]    1    2    3    4
## [2,]    1    4    9   16
## [3,]    1    8   27   64
## [4,]    1   16   81  256
## [5,]    1   32  243 1024
```

4. Basic programming (10 points)

1. Let $h(x, n) = 1 + x + x^2 + \dots + x^n = \sum_{i=0}^n x^i$. Write an R program to calculate $h(x, n)$ using a for loop. As an example, use $x = 5$ and $n = 2$. (5 points)

```
x = 5
n = 2
h = 1
for (ni in n) {
  h = h + x^ni
}
h
```

```
## [1] 26
```

1. If we list all the natural numbers below 10 that are multiples of 3 or 5, we get 3, 5, 6 and 9. The sum of these multiples is 23. Write an R program to perform the following calculations. (5 points)

1. Find the sum of all the multiples of 3 or 5 below 1,000. (3, euler1)

```
x <- (1:999)
sum(which(x %% 3 == 0 | x %% 5 == 0))
```

```
## [1] 233168
```

1. Find the sum of all the multiples of 4 or 7 below 1,000,000. (2)

```
x <- (1:999999)
sum(which(x %% 4 == 0 | x %% 7 == 0))
```

```
## [1] 178571071431
```

1. Each new term in the Fibonacci sequence is generated by adding the previous two terms. By starting with 1 and 2, the first 10 terms will be (1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, 34, 55, 89). Write an R program to calculate the sum of the first 15 even-valued terms. (5 bonus points, euler2)

```
# start with the first 3 numbers of the sequence
fibseq = c(1, 2, 3)
```

```

# initialize i to 4 because the loop will start by adding the fourth
# number to the sequence
i = 4
# initialize a counter for the number of even numbers
even = 0
# initialize the vector that will contain the even numbers
evennum = 0
# set up a while loop that runs until there are 15 even numbers
while (even < 15) {
  # add the next number to the sequence by taking the sum of the two
  # previous numbers
  fibseq = c(fibseq, (fibseq[i-1]+fibseq[i-2]))
  #if the number is even, add 1 to the counter and add the number to
  # the evennum vector
  if(fibseq[i] %% 2 == 0){
    even = even + 1
    evennum = c(evennum, fibseq[i])}
  # increase the index variable by 1
  i = i + 1
}
# sum the first fifteen numbers
sum(evennum)

```

```
## [1] 6293134510
```

Some problems taken or inspired by projecteuler.