

Reproducible research: Peer Graded Assingment 2

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1: Synopsis The basic goal of this assignment is to explore the NOAA Storm Database and answer some basic questions about severe weather events. You must use the database to answer the questions below and show the code for your entire analysis. Your analysis can consist of tables, figures, or other summaries. You may use any R package you want to support your analysis.

Questions Your data analysis must address the following questions:

- 1) Across the United States, which types of events (as indicated in the EVTYPE variable) are most harmful with respect to population health?
- 2) Across the United States, which types of events have the greatest economic consequences?

2: Data Processing

Extract the data into a dataframe. Then convert to a data.table

```
library("data.table")
library("ggplot2")
setwd("/home/mike/Documents/Learning/ds/")

storm_df <- read.csv("repdata_data_StormData.csv")

# Converting data.frame to data.table
storm_dt <- as.data.table(storm_df)
colnames(storm_dt)

## [1] "STATE_" "BGN_DATE" "BGN_TIME" "TIME_ZONE" "COUNTY"
## [6] "COUNTYNAME" "STATE" "EVTYPE" "BGN_RANGE" "BGN_AZI"
## [11] "BGN_LOCATI" "END_DATE" "END_TIME" "COUNTY_END" "COUNTYENDN"
## [16] "END_RANGE" "END_AZI" "END_LOCATI" "LENGTH" "WIDTH"
## [21] "F" "MAG" "FATALITIES" "INJURIES" "PROPDMG"
## [26] "PROPDMGEXP" "CROPDGMG" "CROPDGMGEXP" "WFO" "STATEOFFIC"
## [31] "ZONENAMES" "LATITUDE" "LONGITUDE" "LATITUDE_E" "LONGITUDE_"
## [36] "REMARKS" "REFNUM"
```

Remove unnessessary columns

```
cols2Remove <- colnames(storm_dt[, !c("EVTYPE"
, "FATALITIES"
, "INJURIES"
, "PROPDMG"
, "PROPDMGEXP"
, "CROPDGMG"
, "CROPDGMGEXP")]))
# Removing columns
storm_dt[, c(cols2Remove) := NULL]
# Only use data where fatalities or injuries occurred.
storm_dt <- storm_dt[(EVTYPE != "?" &
(INJURIES > 0 | FATALITIES > 0 | PROPDMG > 0 | CROPDGMG > 0)), c("EVTYPE"
```

```
, "FATALITIES"
, "INJURIES"
, "PROPDGMG"
, "PROPDGMGEXP"
, "CROPDGMG"
, "CROPDGMGEXP") ]
```

Making PRPDGMGEXP and CROPDGMGEXP numerical values, to calculate losses.

```
# Change all damage exponents to uppercase just in case.
cols <- c("PROPDGMGEXP", "CROPDGMGEXP")
storm_dt[, (cols) := c(lapply(.SD, toupper)), .SDcols = cols]

# Map alphanumeric exponent codes
propDmgKey <- c("\\" = 10^0,
               "-" = 10^0,
               "+" = 10^0,
               "0" = 10^0,
               "1" = 10^1,
               "2" = 10^2,
               "3" = 10^3,
               "4" = 10^4,
               "5" = 10^5,
               "6" = 10^6,
               "7" = 10^7,
               "8" = 10^8,
               "9" = 10^9,
               "H" = 10^2,
               "K" = 10^3,
               "M" = 10^6,
               "B" = 10^9)

# Map crop damage alphanumeric exponents to numeric values
cropDmgKey <- c("\\" = 10^0,
               "?" = 10^0,
               "0" = 10^0,
               "K" = 10^3,
               "M" = 10^6,
               "B" = 10^9)

storm_dt[, PROPDGMGEXP := propDmgKey[as.character(storm_dt[,PROPDGMGEXP])]]
storm_dt[is.na(PROPDGMGEXP), PROPDGMGEXP := 10^0 ]

storm_dt[, CROPDGMGEXP := cropDmgKey[as.character(storm_dt[,CROPDGMGEXP])] ]
storm_dt[is.na(CROPDGMGEXP), CROPDGMGEXP := 10^0 ]
```

Calculating losses and adding them to the table.

```
storm_dt <- storm_dt[, .(EVTYPE, FATALITIES, INJURIES, PROPDGMG, PROPDGMGEXP, propTotal = PROPDGMG * PROPDGMGEXP)]
```

Calculating Total Properties and Crop costs

```
cost_dt <- storm_dt[, .(propCost = sum(propTotal), cropCost = sum(cropTotal),
total_cost = sum(propTotal) + sum(cropTotal)), by = .(EVTYPE)]

cost_dt <- cost_dt[order(-total_cost), ]
```

```
cost_dt <- cost_dt[1:10, ]
```

```
head(cost_dt, 5)
```

```
##           EVTYPE      propCost  cropCost  total_cost
## 1:           FLOOD 144657709807 5661968450 150319678257
## 2: HURRICANE/TYPHOON 69305840000 2607872800 71913712800
## 3:           TORNADO 56947380676 414953270 57362333946
## 4:      STORM SURGE 43323536000      5000 43323541000
## 5:           HAIL 15735267513 3025954473 18761221986
```

Calculating human losses

```
total_human_dt <- storm_dt[, .(FATALITIES=sum(FATALITIES), INJURIES=sum(INJURIES), TOTAL = sum(FATALITIES + INJURIES))]
```

```
total_human_dt <- total_human_dt[order(-FATALITIES)]
```

```
total_human_dt <- total_human_dt[1:5]
```

```
head(total_human_dt)
```

```
##           EVTYPE FATALITIES INJURIES TOTAL
## 1:      TORNADO      5633      91346 96979
## 2: EXCESSIVE HEAT      1903      6525 8428
## 3:   FLASH FLOOD       978      1777 2755
## 4:         HEAT       937      2100 3037
## 5:   LIGHTNING       816      5230 6046
```

3 Results 3.1 Events that are most harmful to Population Health

```
losses <- melt(total_human_dt[, .(EVTYPE, FATALITIES, INJURIES)],
               id.vars="EVTYPE", variable.name = "loss_type")
```

```
healthChart <- ggplot(losses, aes(x=reorder(EVTYPE, -value), y=value))
```

```
healthChart = healthChart + geom_bar(stat="identity", aes(fill=loss_type))
```

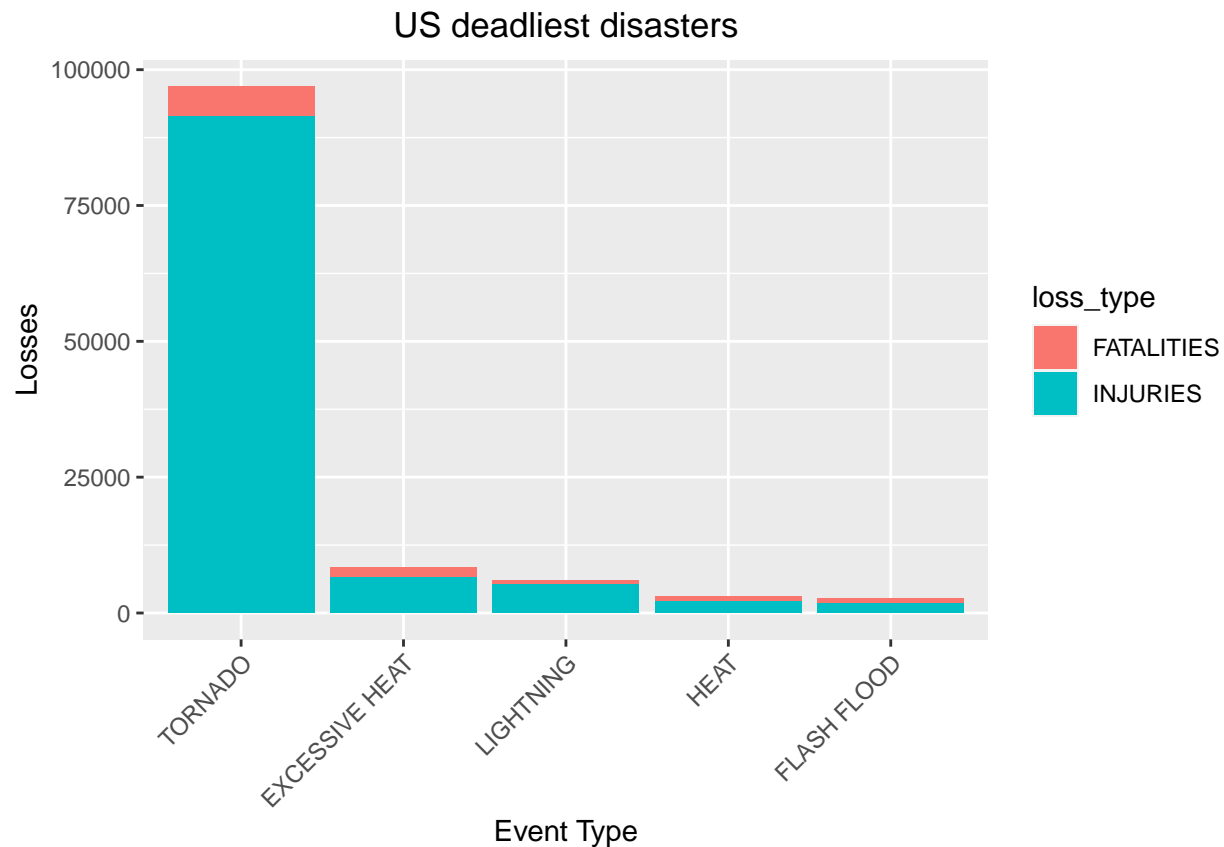
```
healthChart = healthChart + ylab("Losses")
```

```
healthChart = healthChart + xlab("Event Type")
```

```
healthChart = healthChart + theme(axis.text.x = element_text(angle=45, hjust=1))
```

```
healthChart = healthChart + ggtitle("US deadliest disasters") + theme(plot.title = element_text(hjust = 0.5))
```

```
healthChart
```



3.2: Events that have the Greatest Economic Consequences

```
econ <- melt(cost_dt[,.(EVTYPE,propCost, cropCost)], id.vars="EVTYPE", variable.name = "Damage_Type")
econChart <- ggplot(econ, aes(x=reorder(EVTYPE, -value), y=value))
econChart = econChart + geom_bar(stat="identity", aes(fill=Damage_Type),)
econChart = econChart + ylab("Cost (USD)")
econChart = econChart + xlab("Event Type")
econChart = econChart + theme(axis.text.x = element_text(angle=45, hjust=1))
econChart = econChart + ggtitle("US most destructive disasters") + theme(plot.title = element_text(hjust=1))

econChart
```

