Stat 5810: Introduction to R

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Homework Assignment 04 (Befor class starts)

70 Points — Due befor week 3

## **General Instructions**

For this fourth homework assignment, you have to create your own RMarkdown (.Rmd) file, based on files from class and from Homework 1, copy the question numbers and the answer options into your .Rmd file, and knit that file into a pdf file. **Alternatively** (and much easier!!!), use this .Rnw file as a template, just fill in the answers into the provided spaces, and knit into a pdf file.

Only the final resulting pdf file (from .Rmd or .Rnw) has to be submitted via Canvas. As previously stated, I would like to encourage potential and current MS and PhD students to work with .Rnw and LaTeX instead of .Rmd.

You need to learn how to write R code that is easily readable for others. There exists Google's R Style Guide that summarizes rules for good R style. These rules are accessible at https://google.github.io/styleguide/Rguide.xml. In particular, make sure that you always have a space after a comma and that you consistently use the same type of assignment operator, ideally <-. Look at the examples on this web page and follow the style whenever you write your own R code from now on.

Do not forget to replace my name and include your name instead! We will print the homeworks, so a homework with no name/my name on it can't be graded!

## In all question parts, show your R code and the results!

## (i) (20 Points) Family Data Revisited:

In the following exercises, try to write your code to be as general as possible so that it would still work if the family had 27 members in it or if the variables were in a different order in the data frame.

Show your R code and the final results produced from within R for all question parts!

(a) (3 Points) Copy the family data set for this homework from Canvas into your local folder for this homework. Then load the hw04\_familyDF.rda data set into R. Show the objects that have been loaded. Is the first object that is listed a data frame? Search for help if you don't recall how to check whether something is a data frame.

## Answer:

```
> load(file = "hw04_familyDF.rda")
> print(load(file = "hw04_familyDF.rda"))
[1] "family"
> head(family) # To show object is loaded
 firstName gender age height weight
                                     bmi overWt
      Tom
            m 77 70 175 25.16239 TRUE
              f 33 64 125 21.50106 FALSE
      May
              m 79 73 185 24.45884 FALSE
3
       Joe
       Bob
              m 47
                       67
                             156 24.48414 FALSE
                     64
       Sue
              f 27
                            105 18.06089 FALSE
              f 33 68 190 28.94981 TRUE
      Liz
> options(width = 80) # For pdf display
> is.data.frame(family)
[1] TRUE
```

(b) (4 Points) The NHANES survey used different cut-off values for men and women when classifying them as overweight. Suppose that a man is classified as obese if his bmi exceeds 26 and a woman is classified as obese if her bmi exceeds 25. Write a logical expression to create a logical vector, called OW.NHANES, that is TRUE if a member of the family is obese and FALSE otherwise. Display its content.

#### Answer:

(c) (4 Points) Here is an alternative way to create the same vector that introduces some useful functions and ideas. We first create a numeric vector called OW.limit that is 26 for each male in the family and 25 for each female in the family. To do this, we create a vector of length 2, called OW.val, where the first element is 26 and second element is 25. Then we create the OW.limit vector by subsetting OW.val by position, where the positions are the numeric values in the gender variable (i.e., use as numeric to coerce the factor vector to a numeric vector). Notice that we can "subset" a vector of length 2 by a much longer vector:

```
> OW.val <- 26:25
> OW.limit <- OW.val[as.numeric(family$gender)]
> OW.limit
```

Finally, use OW.limit and the bmi vector in family to create the desired logical vector, and call it OW.NHANES2. Display its content. Compare with your results from part (b) via the any function. Did you get the intended result? If not, check your R code again!

## Answer:

```
> OW.val <- 26:25
> OW.limit <- OW.val[as.numeric(family$gender)]
> OW.limit
[1] 26 25 26 26 25 25 26 25 26 25 26 26 25
> OW.NHANES2 <- as.logical(family$bmi > OW.limit)
> OW.NHANES2
[1] FALSE FALSE FALSE FALSE TRUE TRUE FALSE TRUE TRUE TRUE TRUE FALSE
[13] FALSE FALSE
```

(d) (4 Points) Use the vector OW.limit and each person's height to find the weight that they would have if their bmi was right at the limit (26 for men and 25 for women). Call this weight OW.weight and display its content. To do this, start with the formula

```
bmi = (weight / 2.2) / (2.54 / 100 * height)^2 and re-express it in terms of weight (i.e., weight = ...).
```

#### Answer:

```
> OW.weight <- OW.limit * (2.54 / 100 * family$height) ^ 2 * 2.2
> OW.weight
[1] 180.8254 145.3416 196.6569 165.6582 145.3416 164.0771 170.6402 149.9191
[9] 170.6402 186.0288 159.2868 160.7501 160.7501 136.3997
```

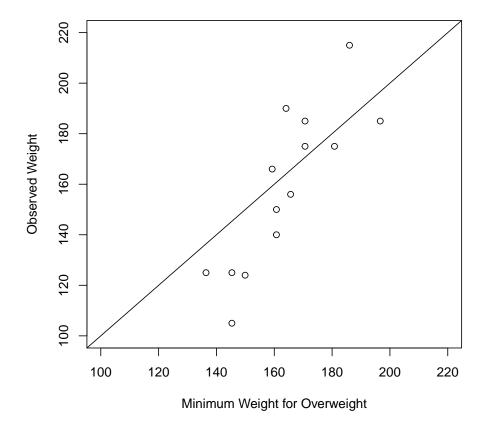
(e) (5 Points) Create the following plot of actual weight (on the vertical axis) against the weight at which they would be overweight (on the horizontal axis). If you get an error when you run this code, check whether you are using the correct variable names in your code earlier on.

```
> plot(OW.weight, family$weight,
+ xlab = "Minimum Weight for Overweight",
+ xlim = c(100, 220), # !!!
+ ylab = "Observed Weight",
+ ylim = c(100, 220)) # !!!
> abline(a = 0, b = 1)
```

abline adds a straight line (here with y-intercept a=0 and slope b=1) to the plot. Note that this is not the regression line! Thus, points that fall exactly on the line belong to individuals where the observed weight exactly qualifies to be overweight. Points above the line represent individuals who are overweight, and points below the line represent individuals who are not overweight.

We can easily count in the plot how many points are above the line and how many points are below the line, but we want that R does this counting for us! So, write two R expressions that do this counting for us and display their results.

## Answer:



```
> # Number of points above the line
> sum(OW.weight < family$weight)
[1] 5
> # Number of points below the line
> sum(OW.weight > family$weight)
[1] 9
```

## (ii) (34 Points) San Francisco Housing Data:

In this question, you have to work with actual housing data from the San Francisco area.

Show your R code and the final results produced from within R for all question parts!

(a) (4 Points) Copy the San Francisco housing data set (hw04\_SFhousing.rda) for this homework from Canvas into your local folder for this homework. Then load this data set into R. Show the objects that have been loaded. Are cities and housing both data frames? Let R answer this question! Search for help if you don't recall how to check whether something is a data frame.

## Answer:

```
> load(file = "hw04_SFHousing.rda")
> print(load(file = "hw04_SFHousing.rda"))
```

[1] "cities" "housing"

> head(cities) # To show objects are loaded

	longitude	latitude		county	${\tt medianPrice}$	${\tt medianSize}$
Alameda	-122.2485	37.75993	Alameda	${\tt County}$	580000	1489.0
Alamo	-122.0205	37.85522	Contra Costa	County	1250000	2723.5
Albany	-122.2940	37.89107	Alameda	County	520250	1170.0
Almaden	NA	NA	Santa Clara	County	835000	2139.0
American Canyon	-122.2580	38.16664	Napa	County	419000	1344.0
Angwin	-122.4499	38.57451	Napa	County	662000	1822.0
	${\tt numHouses}$	${\tt medianBR}$				
Alameda	2339	3				
Alamo	760	4				
Albany	640	2				
Almaden	1705	4				
American Canyon	463	3				

> head(family) # To show objects are loaded

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	${\tt firstName}$	${\tt gender}$	age	${\tt height}$	weight	bmi	overWt
1	Tom	m	77	70	175	25.16239	TRUE
2	May	f	33	64	125	21.50106	FALSE
3	Joe	m	79	73	185	24.45884	FALSE
4	Bob	m	47	67	156	24.48414	FALSE
5	Sue	f	27	64	105	18.06089	FALSE
6	Liz	f	33	68	190	28.94981	TRUE

<sup>&</sup>gt; is.data.frame(cities)

[1] TRUE

Angwin

> is.data.frame(housing)

[1] TRUE

(b) (2 Points) What are the names of the vectors in housing?

Answer:

```
> names(housing)
```

```
[1] "county" "city" "zip" "street" "price" "br" "lsqft" [8] "bsqft" "year" "date" "long" "lat" "quality" "match" [15] "wk"
```

(c) (2 Points) How many observations are in housing?

## Answer:

> nrow(housing)

[1] 281506

(d) (6 Points) Explore the housing data using the summary function. Describe in words at least three problems that you see with the data.

Answer:

```
> summary(housing)
```

```
county
                                      city
                                                       zip
                                        : 14730
Santa Clara County: 70424
                           Oakland
                                                  94565 :
                                                            4595
                                                  94509 :
                                                            4302
Alameda County
                  :60410
                           Santa Rosa
                                           9917
Contra Costa County:59381
                           Fremont
                                           9414
                                                  95123
                                                            4023
Solano County
                  :23404
                           San Francisco:
                                           8137
                                                  95687
                                                            3652
San Mateo County
                  :22558
                                           7947
                                                  94533 :
                                                            3472
                           Evergreen
                                      :
                                           7726
Sonoma County
                  :21676
                           Antioch
                                                  (Other):261457
(Other)
                  :23653
                           (Other)
                                        :223635
                                                  NA's :
                      price
  street
                                           br
                                                         lsqft
Length:281506
                  Min. :
                             22000
                                     Min. :1.000
                                                     Min. :
                                                                    19
Class :character
                  1st Qu.: 400000
                                     1st Qu.:2.000
                                                     1st Qu.:
                                                                  4000
Mode :character
                  Median :
                            530000
                                     Median :3.000
                                                     Median :
                                                                  5760
                  Mean :
                            602000
                                     Mean :3.024
                                                     Mean :
                                                                 65939
                  3rd Qu.: 700000
                                     3rd Qu.:4.000
                                                     3rd Qu.:
                                                                  7701
                  Max.
                         :20000000
                                     Max. :8.000
                                                     Max.
                                                            :418611600
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                                                            .21687
   bsqft
                                     date
Min.
     :
           122
                 Min. :
                                       :2003-04-27 01:00:00
1st Qu.:
          1121
                 1st Qu.:1954
                                1st Qu.:2004-02-08 01:00:00
Median :
          1430
                 Median :1971
                                Median :2004-10-24 01:00:00
Mean
          1624
                 Mean :1966
                                Mean :2004-11-01 17:06:12
3rd Qu.:
          1882
                 3rd Qu.:1985
                                3rd Qu.:2005-07-24 01:00:00
                        :3894
                                Max. :2006-06-04 01:00:00
Max.
      :1868120
                 Max.
      :426
                 NA's
                        :9202
    long
                     lat
Min. :-123.6
                       :36.98
                Min.
1st Qu.:-122.3
                1st Qu.:37.50
Median :-122.1
                Median :37.77
Mean :-122.1
                Mean :37.78
                3rd Qu.:38.00
3rd Qu.:-121.9
Max. :-121.5
                Max.
                       :38.85
      :23316
                NA's
                       :23316
                                    quality
                                                               match
QUALITY_ADDRESS_RANGE_INTERPOLATION
                                        :170719
                                                                  :197044
gpsvisualizer
                                        : 31084
                                                  Relaxed
                                                                  : 30570
QUALITY_CITY_CENTROID
                                        : 20473
                                                  Relaxed; Soundex: 23338
QUALITY_EXACT_PARCEL_CENTROID
                                        : 17208
                                                                     2573
QUALITY_ZIP_CODE_TABULATION_AREA_CENTROID: 14980
                                                                     2244
(Other)
                                                                     2421
                                        : 3726
                                                  (Other)
                                                                 :
NA's
                                        : 23316
                                                  NA's
                                                                  : 23316
Min.
      :2003-04-21
1st Qu.:2004-02-01
Median :2004-10-18
Mean :2004-10-26
3rd Qu.:2005-07-18
Max. :2006-05-29
```

## Problems:

- i. Problem 1.High number of NA's present in some columns.
- ii. Problem 2. The year column has years greater than 2020.
- iii. Problem 3.The column lsqft seems to have a very large area (Max area)
- (e) (4 Points) We will work with houses in Albany, Berkeley, Piedmont, and Emeryville only. Subset the data frame so that we have only houses in these cities, and keep only the variables city, zip, price, br, bsqft, and year. Call this new data frame BerkArea. This data frame should have 4059 observations and 6 variables (check it!).

## Answer:

(f) (4 Points) We are interested in studying the relationship between price and size of house, but first we will further subset the data frame to remove the unusually large values. Use the quantile function to determine the 99th percentile of price and bsqft and eliminate all of those houses that are above either of these 99th percentiles. Call this new data frame BerkArea, as well. It should have 3999 observations (check it!). Write your code so that it is very general and does not depend on the actual numeric value for these quantiles.

## Answer:

(g) (2 Points) Create a new vector that is called pricepsqft by dividing the sale price by the square footage of the house. Add this new variable to the BerkArea housing data frame.

## Answer:

- > BerkArea\$pricepsqft <- BerkArea\$price / BerkArea\$bsqft
- (h) (4 Points) Create a vector called br5 that contains the number of bedrooms in the house, except when this number is greater than 5, it is set to 5. That is, if a house has 5 or more bedrooms then br5 will be 5. Otherwise it will be the number of bedrooms in the house. Note that there is no need for any "if"-statements or loops to create this vector just basic R expressions discussed so far will be sufficient! Recall how TRUE and FALSE are represented numerically or how to reassign a different value to a subset!

#### Answer:

(i) (6 Points) Recreate the following plot on your side. Then answer the question below. If you get an error when you run this code, check whether you are using the correct variable names in your code earlier on.

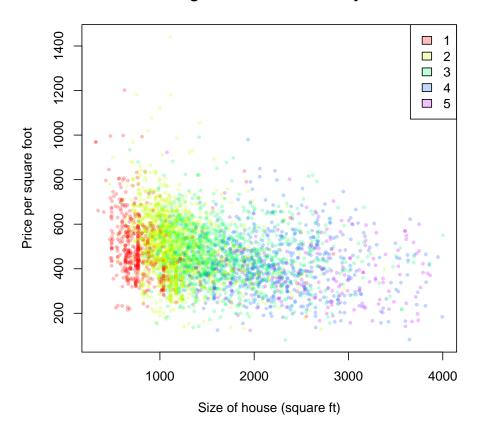
```
> rCols <- rainbow(5, alpha = 0.25)
> brCols <- rCols[br5]
> plot(pricepsqft ~ bsqft, data = BerkArea,
+ main = "Housing Prices in the Berkeley Area",
+ xlab = "Size of house (square ft)",
+ ylab = "Price per square foot",
+ col = brCols, pch = 19, cex = 0.5)
> legend(legend = 1:5, fill = rCols, "topright")
```

What interesting feature do you see that you didn't know before making this plot? Numerically quantify (use only 3 decimal digits!) and interpret this feature!

#### Answer:

```
> rCols <- rainbow(5, alpha = 0.25)
> brCols <- rCols[br5]
> plot(pricepsqft ~ bsqft, data = BerkArea,
+ main = "Housing Prices in the Berkeley Area",
+ xlab = "Size of house (square ft)",
+ ylab = "Price per square foot",
+ col = brCols, pch = 19, cex = 0.5)
> legend(legend = 1:5, fill = rCols, "topright")
```

## **Housing Prices in the Berkeley Area**



Before making this plot I was unaware of the housing prices based on the area of the houses (number of bedroom). Obviously as expected with large area there are more number of bedroom, i thought the houses with large area might be more expensive (Price per square feet) but it looks opposite as it seems like there is slight negative correlation (dipping downward trend). But obviously we have not accounted for other factors like the location (which seems to me as a major factor). Frankly speaking i am not still sure in what context to explain numerically. (may be correlation or just the average price values per bedroom or per area). I will just calculate the

correlation between pricesqft and bsqft.

```
> # I have used correlation (among many more possibility)
> cor(BerkArea$pricepsqft, BerkArea$bsqft, use = "complete.obs")
[1] -0.2929954
```

As expected negative correlation of 0.293 between the price per square feet and area of the house.

## (iii) (16 Points) Survival of Passengers on the Titanic:

Work with the Titanic data set, a 4-dimensional array related to the survival of passengers and crew on board of the Titanic ocean liner. For further details, refer to the help page via ?Titanic. Technically, the Titanic data set is a table, but we can access it similar to a multi-dimensional array.

# Show your R code and the final results produced from within R for all question parts!

(a) (4 Points) Write an R expression that extracts the numbers of females in all three classes (but not crew) who survived the sinking of the Titanic. Provide data for children and adults. The result should look as follows:

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Class	${\tt Child}$	Adult
1st	1	140
2nd	13	80
3rd	14	76

#### Answer:

(b) (4 Points) Write an R expression that extracts the numbers of male crew members (adults only) who survived or did not survive the sinking of the Titanic. The result should be a vector of length 2.

## Answer:

```
> Titanic["Crew", "Male", "Adult", ]
No Yes
670 192
```

(c) (4 Points) Write an R expression that extracts the following matrix from the Titanic data set:

#### Sex

```
Class Female Male
Crew 20 192
1st 140 57
2nd 80 14
3rd 76 75
```

Describe what this matrix represents, i.e., which subgroup(s) from the Titanic passengers and crew.

#### Answer:

This matrix represents the number of adults ( male and female) who survived in all class categories.

(d) (4 Points) Write an R expression that extracts the following vector from the Titanic data set:

[1] 35 17 387 89

Describe what this vector represents, i.e., which subgroup(s) from the Titanic passengers and crew. Hint: I first extracted a matrix and then transformed this into a vector using as.vector.

## Answer:

```
> as.vector(Titanic["3rd", , , "No"])
[1] 35 17 387 89
```

This vector represents the number of people who did not survive (Both child and adult) for male and female separately, the first two values are male and female for child group who did not survive and the later two for adults in similar category.

The end!!!!