

[Support] Training Course : First steps with R software

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Basic :

- Starting up a new project :
 - Session > Set Working directory > Choose Directory
 - Tips : Save both your R file and your dataset in the same place !
- Script Type :
 - Classic R file : **File > New File > R Script**
 - Others possibilities : **Markdown, Quarto**
 - *A bit more complex for first timer but will have many more tools to offer and ways to make life easier for the user.*
 - *Shortcut to create a code zone : **Ctrl + Alt + i** (keep Ctrl + Alt and after smash your i button)*
- Operator to create objects : « <- »
- How to import a dataset ?
 - By using the « button » way :
 - **File > Import Dataset >**
 - **From Text (base)** (if you have an CSV file)
 - **From Excel** (If you have an Excel file)
 - **COPY / PASTE the small part of code in the small window which just opened**
 - By using directly some code :
 - CSV File :
 - `read.csv2("your_file_name.csv")`
 - Possible to add more parameters in the function (*for ex : sep = " ; "*) or (*header = TRUE*) if there is an error message or the dataset doesn't look right.
 - Excel File :
 - `library(readxl)`
 - `read_excel("your_file_name.xlsx")`
 - Need to import a « Extension » / « Library » because there is no way to read an excel file with basic R
- How to see your dataset :
 - View your file :
 - Possible with both types of R file (Markdown & R file) : **View(your_dataset)**

- If Markdown file, another possibility :
 - Highlight by double clicking you gave the object of your dataset
 - Ctrl + Enter
- Overview of your dataset types variables :
 - Same thing for both file : **str(your_dataset_name)**
- View every names of your dataset :
 - Same thing : **names(your_dataset_name)**
- View the number of individuals and variables of the dataset :
 - Same thing : **dim(your_dataset_name)**
- *Small tips for the markdown file :*
 - **From the viewer, the number of individuals, variables and types of variables can be seen by just looking at the table !**

Variables Types :

- Numeric (num), Double (dbl) or Integer (Int) : numerical variables (Age, number of kids, etc...)
- Factor (fct) : categorial variable (Gender, Levels of education, "Own a car ?", etc...)
- Character (char) : Strings (Opened answer from a survey)
- Logical (lgl) : Variable with only TRUE/FALSE/NAs

*In your dataset, the most useful variables would be the numerical and the categoricals ones.
We can use also character variables but less often.*

Nota Bene : Carefull about Upper / Lower cases !!!

Simple code to start modifying your dataset :

- « \$ » sign to call a variable : **your_dataset \$your_variable_name**
- View every information about :
 - The first row : **your_dataset [1 ,]**
 - From the first row to the 10th : **your_dataset [c(1:10) ,]**
 - From the first column to the 10th : **your_dataset [, c(1:10)]**
- Remove a variable :
 - **your_dataset\$variable <- NULL**
- Rename a variable :
 - **names(dataset)[names(dataset) == "old_name"] <- "new_name"**
- Go from a variable :
 - Character / Numeric to a factor :
 - **your_dataset\$variable <- as.factor(your_dataset\$variable)**
 - Factor to Character :
 - **your_dataset\$variable <- as.character(your_dataset\$variable)**
 - Factor to Numeric :
 - **your_dataset\$variable <- as.numeric(as.character(your_dataset\$variable))**

- Change a modality in a variable :
 - A mistake inside your dataset :
 - `your_dataset[your_dataset$var == "hOMmE" ,]$var <- "Homme"`
 - Say as « NA » (« Not Available ») :
 - `your_dataset[your_dataset $Var %in% c("NA","Na","N/A"),]$Var <- NA`
- Create a new variable :
 - By using random values from a function
 - `your_dataset$Age <- sample(size = 100, x = c(10 :70), replace = TRUE)`
 - By using others columns :
 - `your_dataset$Minor <- NA`
 - `your_dataset [your_dataset $Age <= 18 ,]$Minor <- "Yes"`
 - `your_dataset [your_dataset $Age > 18 ,]$Minor <- "No"`

Simple functions for Analysis :

- Get the summary of your dataset :
 - `summary(your_dataset)`
 - Possible `Summary(your_dataset$Age)`
 - *Mostly useful for numerical variables*
- Get the mean of a numerical variable :
 - `mean(your_dataset$Age, na.rm = TRUE)`
 - *"na.rm = TRUE " allow that even if there is missing values inside th column, then the average will not take it into account.*
- Get the median of the numerical variables :
 - `median(your_dataset$Age, na.rm = TRUE)`
- Get the smallest value of a numerical variable :
 - `min(your_dataset$Age, na.rm = TRUE)`
- Get the highest value of a numerical variable :
 - `max(your_dataset$Age, na.rm = TRUE)`
- Get the standard deviation of a numerical variable :
 - `sd(your_dataset$Age, na.rm = TRUE)`
- Know the distribution of different categories (Flat sorting) :
 - `table(your_dataset$Var_Character)`
- Know the distribution according to a second variable (Cross Sort) :
 - `table(your_dataset$Var_Char, your_dataset$Var_hab)`

Graphics :

Note : Each parameter added in the Histogram graph can also be transferred to the others, graphics and you do not need every parameter to make the graph work.

- Histogram :
 - `hist(your_dataset$Age, main = "Title of the graph", xlab = "Name Axe X", ylab = "Name Axe Y", col = "blue")`
- Boxplots :
 - `boxplot(your_dataset$Age)`
- Pie Chart :
 - `pie(your_dataset$Age)`
- Bar Chart :
 - `barplot(your_dataset$Age)`

BONUS :

- Cross table view with percentage :
 - `library(sjPlot)`
 - `sjt.xtab(var.row = bdd$Etat_Mineur, var.col = bdd$Age_participant, show.row.prc = TRUE, show.col.prc = TRUE)`

Additional ressources :

- ✓ HUSSON, François, CORNILLON, Pierre-André, GUYADER, Arnaud, et al. R pour la statistique et la science des données. Presses universitaires de Rennes, 2018.
- ✓ <https://www.book.utilitr.org/>