

Exercise 1

Let us first create the three vectors.

```
x <- sample(100)
y <- sample(100)
z <- sample(letters, 100, replace = TRUE)
```

Now we can start to extract elements from `x` according to the exercises.

- (a) We can extract every fifth value in two ways. Either by logical subsetting or by position.

```
x[c(TRUE, FALSE, FALSE, FALSE, FALSE)]

# [1] 32 85 10 90 72  1 88 64 76 30 71 77 91 51 61
# [16] 75 21 95 12 65

x[seq(1, 100, 5)]

# [1] 32 85 10 90 72  1 88 64 76 30 71 77 91 51 61
# [16] 75 21 95 12 65
```

- (b) We have seen in the lecture that we can omit elements by using negative position values.

```
x[-30:-10] # Create a sequence of values from -30 to -10.

# [1] 32  6 45 50  5 85 93 52 80 88 69 78 92 68 64
# [16] 56 83 20 55 76 46 15 26 34 30 44 33 58 59 71
# [31] 43 36  7 67 77 25 94 53 96 91  2 79 89 11 51
# [46] 23  3 84 28 61 14 49 60 38 75 66 47 13 31 21
# [61] 87 24 35 74 95 57 81 48 18 12 41 39 37 97 65
# [76] 54 42 63 22
```

- (c) The sequence is the cumulative sum of all values from 1 to 13. We can use this sequence to extract the elements from `x`.

```
cumsum(1:13)

# [1]  1  3  6 10 15 21 28 36 45 55 66 78 91

x[cumsum(1:13)]

# [1] 32 45 85 17  9 72 19 64 34 67 51 47 12
```

- (d) We have to use logical subsetting for this. The idea is to make a comparison, if `y` is smaller than `x`. Since such comparisons are done elementwise for two vectors we can use the resulting logical vector for answering the question.

```
x[y < x]
# [1] 32 45 50 52 80 82 90 73 70 72 98
# [12] 99 86 100 62 88 78 92 64 83 55 76
# [23] 58 71 43 67 77 94 96 91 79 89 11
# [34] 23 84 75 66 47 31 87 24 35 74 95
# [45] 48 41 97 65
```

- (e) This is very much like the previous exercise. We have to create a logical vector. We can use `%in%` to check for every element in `z` if it is either `"c"`, `"r"`, or `"x"`.

```
x[z %in% c("c", "r", "x")]
# [1] 6 17 99 26 30 44 7 94 3
```

- (f) For this exercise we have to use the `&` (intersection) operator. We create two logical vectors (those from (d) and (e)) and connect them.

```
x[(y < x) & (z %in% c("c", "r", "x"))]
# [1] 99 94
```

- (g) The same as in (f) but this time we have to use the `|` (union) operator.

```
x[(y < x) | (z %in% c("c", "r", "x"))]
# [1] 32 6 45 50 52 80 17 82 90 73 70
# [12] 72 98 99 86 100 62 88 78 92 64 83
# [23] 55 76 26 30 44 58 71 43 7 67 77
# [34] 94 96 91 79 89 11 23 3 84 75 66
# [45] 47 31 87 24 35 74 95 48 41 97 65
```

- (h) The position of the largest element in `x` can be detected using `which.max`.

```
which.max(x)
# [1] 29
```

If you have trouble to comprehend the solutions I recommend that you dissect the solutions piece by piece. Take the expressions in the brackets and execute them alone. If they are assembled like in exercise (f) and (g) disassemble the expressions further. Also go through the lecture again and execute the examples. If you are not sure, what exactly happens, disassemble the examples. Try around yourself.

Exercise 2

We can not extract single elements cause there is no meaningful data structure this data could take. For example, the elements in the iris data set are of different types, so we can not put them in a single vector.

```
iris[5,4]

# [1] 0.2

iris[4,5]

# [1] setosa
# Levels: setosa versicolor virginica
```

A data frame is also not possible. A data frame is rectangular. What happens to the diagonal elements in the fifth row + fifth column and fourth row + fourth column? A list would theoretically be possible but the ordering of the elements would not be defined. This is too ambiguous for being a reliable tool in programming.

In the following we have two possibilities to extract the desired information: Either using brackets or using `subset`. I will show you both ways for the first two problems. I think that after exercise 1 the solutions are more or less self-explanatory so I will omit further explanations. For using brackets you have to remember to put the comma!

```
(a) subset(USArrests, Murder >= 10)
```

#	Murder	Assault	UrbanPop	Rape
# Alabama	13.2	236	58	21.2
# Alaska	10.0	263	48	44.5
# Florida	15.4	335	80	31.9
# Georgia	17.4	211	60	25.8
# Illinois	10.4	249	83	24.0
# Louisiana	15.4	249	66	22.2
# Maryland	11.3	300	67	27.8
# Michigan	12.1	255	74	35.1
# Mississippi	16.1	259	44	17.1
# Nevada	12.2	252	81	46.0
# New Mexico	11.4	285	70	32.1
# New York	11.1	254	86	26.1
# North Carolina	13.0	337	45	16.1
# South Carolina	14.4	279	48	22.5
# Tennessee	13.2	188	59	26.9
# Texas	12.7	201	80	25.5

```
USArrests[USArrests$Murder >= 10,]

#           Murder Assault UrbanPop Rape
# Alabama      13.2     236      58 21.2
# Alaska       10.0     263      48 44.5
# Florida      15.4     335      80 31.9
# Georgia      17.4     211      60 25.8
# Illinois     10.4     249      83 24.0
# Louisiana    15.4     249      66 22.2
# Maryland     11.3     300      67 27.8
# Michigan     12.1     255      74 35.1
# Mississippi  16.1     259      44 17.1
# Nevada       12.2     252      81 46.0
# New Mexico   11.4     285      70 32.1
# New York     11.1     254      86 26.1
# North Carolina 13.0     337      45 16.1
# South Carolina 14.4     279      48 22.5
# Tennessee    13.2     188      59 26.9
# Texas        12.7     201      80 25.5
```

(b) `subset(USArrests, Rape >= 20 & Rape <= 40)`

```
#           Murder Assault UrbanPop Rape
# Alabama      13.2     236      58 21.2
# Arizona       8.1     294      80 31.0
# Colorado      7.9     204      78 38.7
# Florida      15.4     335      80 31.9
# Georgia      17.4     211      60 25.8
# Hawaii        5.3      46      83 20.2
# Illinois     10.4     249      83 24.0
# Indiana       7.2     113      65 21.0
# Louisiana    15.4     249      66 22.2
# Maryland     11.3     300      67 27.8
# Michigan     12.1     255      74 35.1
# Missouri      9.0     178      70 28.2
# New Mexico   11.4     285      70 32.1
# New York     11.1     254      86 26.1
# Ohio         7.3     120      75 21.4
# Oklahoma      6.6     151      68 20.0
# Oregon        4.9     159      67 29.3
# South Carolina 14.4     279      48 22.5
# Tennessee    13.2     188      59 26.9
# Texas        12.7     201      80 25.5
# Utah         3.2     120      80 22.9
# Virginia      8.5     156      63 20.7
# Washington    4.0     145      73 26.2
```

```
USArrests[USArrests$Rape >= 20 & USArrests$Rape <= 40,]
```

```
#      Murder Assault UrbanPop Rape
# Alabama      13.2      236      58 21.2
# Arizona       8.1      294      80 31.0
# Colorado       7.9      204      78 38.7
# Florida      15.4      335      80 31.9
# Georgia      17.4      211      60 25.8
# Hawaii        5.3       46      83 20.2
# Illinois     10.4      249      83 24.0
# Indiana       7.2      113      65 21.0
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# Tennessee     13.2      188      59 26.9
# Texas        12.7      201      80 25.5
# Utah          3.2      120      80 22.9
# Virginia      8.5      156      63 20.7
# Washington    4.0      145      73 26.2
```

(c) `subset(USArrests, Murder >= 10 & Rape >= 20 & Rape <= 40)`

```
#      Murder Assault UrbanPop Rape
# Alabama      13.2      236      58 21.2
# Florida      15.4      335      80 31.9
# Georgia      17.4      211      60 25.8
# Illinois     10.4      249      83 24.0
# Louisiana     15.4      249      66 22.2
# Maryland     11.3      300      67 27.8
# Michigan     12.1      255      74 35.1
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# Texas        12.7      201      80 25.5
```

- (d) This time, we have to get a vector. We can create a data frame with the subset of data and directly subset it again (which looks a bit odd). Or we can use the `drop` argument

from `subset`. Setting it to `TRUE` removes the surrounding data frame if a single column is selected.

```
subset(USArrests, Assault > 200)$UrbanPop

# [1] 58 48 80 91 78 72 80 60 83 66 67 74 44 81 70
# [16] 86 45 48 80

subset(USArrests, Assault > 200, select = UrbanPop, drop = TRUE)

# [1] 58 48 80 91 78 72 80 60 83 66 67 74 44 81 70
# [16] 86 45 48 80

USArrests[USArrests$Assault > 200,][[3]] # UrbanPop is the third column.

# [1] 58 48 80 91 78 72 80 60 83 66 67 74 44 81 70
# [16] 86 45 48 80
```

Another very nice way is to construct an environment, in which we can refer to the column names directly (we will see in Part VII how this exactly works).

```
with(USArrests, UrbanPop[Assault > 200])

# [1] 58 48 80 91 78 72 80 60 83 66 67 74 44 81 70
# [16] 86 45 48 80
```

Bonus exercise: As explained the `order` function returns positions that arranges its argument in ascending order.

```
order(USArrests$Assault)

# [1] 34 11 45 49 15 29 23 48 19 41 27 38 17 26 7
# [16] 14 16 12 35 44 47 21 36 46 30 37 50 39 25 42
# [31] 4 43 6 10 1 8 13 18 28 32 22 24 2 5 40
# [46] 31 3 20 9 33
```

This basically means that the 34. element in the `Assault` column is the smallest value, the 11. element is the second smallest and so on. So we can take these values for reordering the whole data frame. Please note, that this creates an ordered copy of the original data frame. It does not order the existing data frame in place!

```
USArrests[order(USArrests$Assault),]

#           Murder Assault UrbanPop Rape
# North Dakota    0.8     45      44  7.3
# Hawaii          5.3     46      83 20.2
```

# Vermont	2.2	48	32 11.2
# Wisconsin	2.6	53	66 10.8
# Iowa	2.2	56	57 11.3
# New Hampshire	2.1	57	56 9.5
# Minnesota	2.7	72	66 14.9
# West Virginia	5.7	81	39 9.3
# Maine	2.1	83	51 7.8
# South Dakota	3.8	86	45 12.8
# Nebraska	4.3	102	62 16.5
# Pennsylvania	6.3	106	72 14.9
# Kentucky	9.7	109	52 16.3
# Montana	6.0	109	53 16.4
# Connecticut	3.3	110	77 11.1
# Indiana	7.2	113	65 21.0
# Kansas	6.0	115	66 18.0
# Idaho	2.6	120	54 14.2
# Ohio	7.3	120	75 21.4
# Utah	3.2	120	80 22.9
# Washington	4.0	145	73 26.2
# Massachusetts	4.4	149	85 16.3
# Oklahoma	6.6	151	68 20.0
# Virginia	8.5	156	63 20.7
# New Jersey	7.4	159	89 18.8
# Oregon	4.9	159	67 29.3
# Wyoming	6.8	161	60 15.6
# Rhode Island	3.4	174	87 8.3
# Missouri	9.0	178	70 28.2
# Tennessee	13.2	188	59 26.9
# Arkansas	8.8	190	50 19.5
# Texas	12.7	201	80 25.5
# Colorado	7.9	204	78 38.7
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