

Assignment 2: Loops

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Question 1: Loops

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72 #-----#
73 #   A S S I G N M E N T   2   #
74 #-----#
75
76 # Set working directory
77 cat("\014")
78 setwd("D:/Stevens/Sem 3/FE515/week 2")
79
80 # Read the csv files
81 dow <- read.csv("DOW.csv")
82 sp500 <- read.csv("SP500.csv")
83 # check the column names
84 names(dow)
85 names(sp500)
86 # get the length of the second vector to avoid calc inside loop
87 sp500_size <- length(sp500$Ticker.symbol)
88 # mandatory for loop
89 linebreak = ''
90 answer = ''
91 for (ticker in dow$Ticker)
92 {
93   for (index in 1:sp500_size)
94   {
95     if (ticker == sp500$Ticker.symbol[index])
96     {
97       print(paste(ticker, index, sep = '--'))
98
99       # Another way of doing things but curiously enough it suppresses
100      # linefeed character if it's at the end. Any place else works
101      # which is rather inconvenient
102      #if (length(answer) > 0)
103      #{
104      #   linebreak = "\n"
105      #}
106      #answer <- cat(answer, linebreak, ticker, "--", index)
107      break # to quickly exit as soon we find first match
108    }
109  }
110 }
111
112 # without using loop
113 print("without using loop")
114 matches <- match(dow$Ticker, sp500$Ticker.symbol)
115 cat(paste("\n", dow$Ticker, '--', matches))
116
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Console D:/Stevens/Sem 3

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[1] "AXP--29"  
[1] "BA--70"  
[1] "CAT--88"  
[1] "CSCO--104"  
[1] "CVX--98"  
[1] "DD--152"  
[1] "DIS--474"  
[1] "GE--203"  
[1] "GS--210"  
[1] "HD--225"  
[1] "IBM--238"  
[1] "INTC--236"  
[1] "JNJ--249"  
[1] "JPM--252"  
[1] "KO--112"  
[1] "MCD--293"  
[1] "MMM--1"  
[1] "MRK--299"  
[1] "MSFT--303"  
[1] "NKE--326"  
[1] "PFE--359"  
[1] "PG--374"  
[1] "T--46"  
[1] "TRV--440"  
[1] "UNH--455"  
[1] "UTX--458"  
[1] "V--469"  
[1] "VZ--466"  
[1] "WMT--472"  
[1] "XOM--176"
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```
> # Without using loop  
> print("Without using loop")  
[1] "Without using loop"  
> matches <- match(dow$Ticker, sp500$Ticker.symbol)  
> cat(paste("\n", dow$Ticker, '--', matches))
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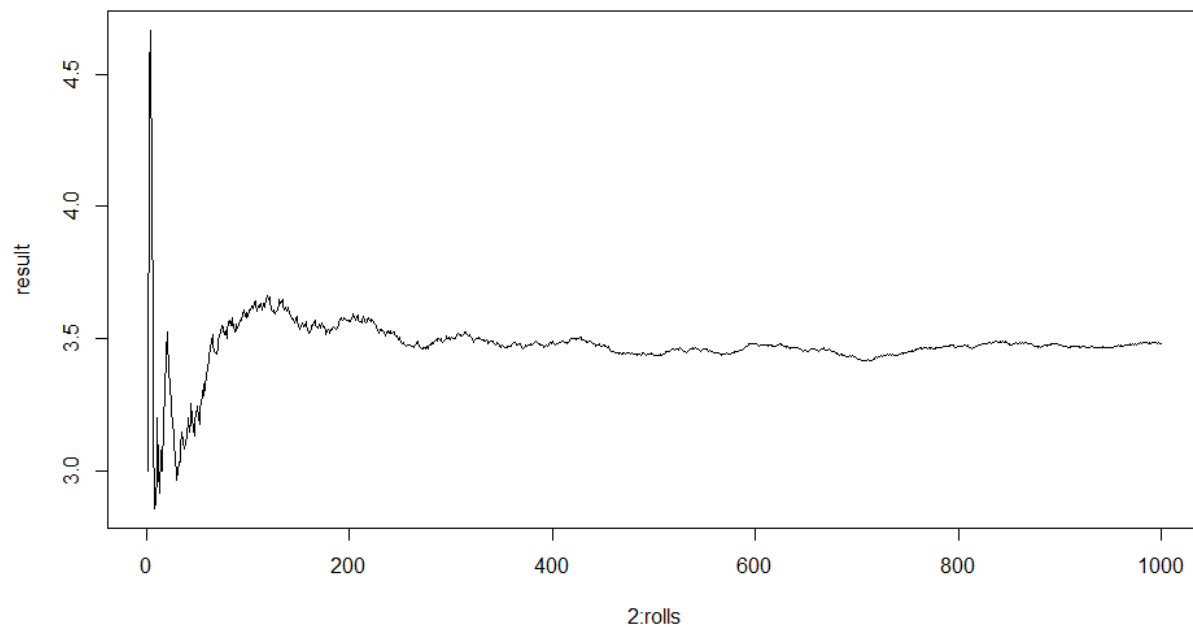
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AXP -- 29  
BA -- 70  
CAT -- 88  
CSCO -- 104  
CVX -- 98  
DD -- 152  
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GE -- 203  
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HD -- 225  
IBM -- 238  
INTC -- 236  
JNJ -- 249  
JPM -- 252  
KO -- 112  
MCD -- 293  
MMM -- 1  
MRK -- 299  
MSFT -- 303  
NKE -- 326  
PFE -- 359  
PG -- 374  
T -- 46  
TRV -- 440  
UNH -- 455  
UTX -- 458  
V -- 469  
VZ -- 466  
WMT -- 472  
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Question 2: User Defined Functions

Fair Dice

```
118 # Fair Dice
119 fair_Dice <- function(rolls)
120 {
121   result <- NULL
122   dice_total <- 0
123   for (roll in 1:rolls)
124   {
125     tmp <- sample(x=c(1,2,3,4,5,6), size = 1, replace = T, prob = rep(1/6, 6))
126     if (roll > 1)
127     {
128       result <- c(result, dice_total/ (roll - 1))
129     }
130     dice_total <- dice_total + tmp # this is done after we calculate the n-1 mean as asked in
131   }
132   plot(2:rolls, result, type = "l")
133   cat("For ", rolls, " rolls, series converged at :", result[length(result)])
134 }
135
136 fair_Dice(1000)
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> fair_Dice(1000)
For 1000 rolls, series converged at : 3.482482
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P.S. According to my interpretation of the problem statement we are asked to find mean of all n-1 rolls at nth roll. Hence, dice_total is computed after vector has been saved.

Loaded Dice:

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138 # Loaded Dice
139 loaded_Dice <- function(rolls, prob)
140 {
141   result <- NULL
142   dice_total <- 0
143   # Compute the last probability if only 5 or less
144   diff = 6 - length(prob)
145   if (diff > 0)
146   {
147     prob <- append(prob, rep(((1 - sum(prob))/diff), diff)) # distributing remanant probabilities
148   }
149   for (roll in 1:rolls)
150   {
151     tmp <- sample(x=c(1,2,3,4,5,6), size = 1, replace = T, prob = prob)
152     dice_total <- dice_total + tmp # this is done after we calculate the n-1 mean
153   }
154   return(dice_total/rolls)
155 }
156
157 # Only four probabilities are given in the function call
158 cat("Mean of all rolls is:", loaded_Dice(1000, c(1/5, 1/5, 1/4, 1/8)))
159
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161 > cat("Mean of all rolls is:", loaded_Dice(1000, c(1/5, 1/5, 1/4, 1/8)))
Mean of all rolls is: 3.076

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The remaining probabilities are evenly distributed. This dice was loaded on the lesser numbers hence as expected the mean is less than 3.5.

Question 3: Expectation value for dice rolls

Strategy:

Calculate the expectation value for a dice roll:

$$E(v) = \sum_{k=1}^6 (P_k)k \text{ now } P_k \text{ for all values of dice is } 1/6, \text{ so}$$
$$= 1/6 * (1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 5 + 6) = 21/6 = 3.5$$

So, this means at every roll our expectation value would be 3.5 but this is for one independent roll.

When we get multiple rolls we could increase our chance for expectation value by making judicious decision and for that we need to find a pivot point.

Let's consider value 3.5 which is mid-range as well as expectation value. Since we could only have 3 or 4 (real numbers) as mid points. Let's start with 4.

If we get 4 should we go for a re-roll? And the answer is yes as we have half the chance for getting either from the set [1,2,3] or from set [4,5,6]. Which means that there's .5 probability of ruining our score but there's .5 also that it would increase or stay same.

Let's calculate E(3) and E(4) for choosing pivot at 3 and 4.

E(3):

- i) First roll got less than 3: $P(<3) = 2/6 = 1/3$
 - a. Reroll expected value = 3.5
- ii) First roll got greater than or equal to 3: $P(>=3) = 4/6 = 2/3$
 $(3 + 4 + 5 + 6) * 1/4 = 4.5$
Combined expected value = $1/3(3.5) + 2/3(4.5) = 1.1667 + 3 = 4.1667$

E(4):

- i) First roll got less than 4: $P(<4) = 3/6 = 1/2$
 - a. Reroll expected value = 3.5
- ii) First roll got greater than or equal to 4: $P(>=4) = 3/6 = 1/2$
 $(4 + 5 + 6) * 1/3 = 5$
Combined expected value = $1/2(3.5) + 1/2(5) = 8.5/2 = 4.25$

E(5):

- i) First roll got less than 5: $P(<5) = 4/6 = 2/3$
 - a. Reroll expected value = 3.5
- ii) First roll got greater than or equal to 5: $P(>=5) = 2/6 = 1/3$
 $(5 + 6) * 1/2 = 5.5$
Combined expected value = $2/3(3.5) + 1/3(5.5) = 12.5/3 = 4.1667$

Similarly, we can see for $E(2) = 3.916$, $E(6) = 3.916$. So we can see that our intuition was correct. Similar results were obtained from running the simulations for different pivot points.

```
93 # Highest payoff
94
95 # We know that max expectation value for a dice roll is 3.5, so we will
96 # employ using decision pivot at value 4 i.e if first roll is less than 4
97 # we will roll again. Explanation is in the Report
98
99 fair_Dice <- function(rolls, pivot)
100 {
101     result <- NULL
102     dice_total <- 0
103     for (roll in 1:rolls)
104     {
105         tmp <- sample(x=c(1,2,3,4,5,6), size = 1, replace = T, prob = rep(1/6, 6))
106         if (tmp < pivot)
107         {
108             # re-roll
109             tmp <- sample(x=c(1,2,3,4,5,6), size = 1, replace = T, prob = rep(1/6, 6))
110         }
111         dice_total <- dice_total + tmp
112     }
113     return(dice_total/rolls)
114 }
115
116 rolls = 10000
117 cat("For ", rolls, " rolls, series average is: ", fair_Dice(rolls, 4))
118
```

Output

For 4:

```
> rolls = 10000
> cat("For ", rolls, " rolls, series average is: ", fair_Dice(rolls, 4))
For 10000 rolls, series average is: 4.2511
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For 5:

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> rolls = 10000
> cat("For ", rolls, " rolls, series average is: ", fair_Dice(rolls, 5))
For 10000 rolls, series average is: 4.1727
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