

SESSION 1: DATA FRAMES

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- R and RStudio
- Data types
- Data frames

O. R & RSTUDIO

What is R? What is RStudio?



WHAT IS R?

R is a dialect of S.

S is a language that was developed by John Chambers and others at the old Bell Telephone Laboratories, originally part of AT&T Corp. S was initiated in 1976 as an internal statistical analysis environment.

THE PHILOSOPHY OF S

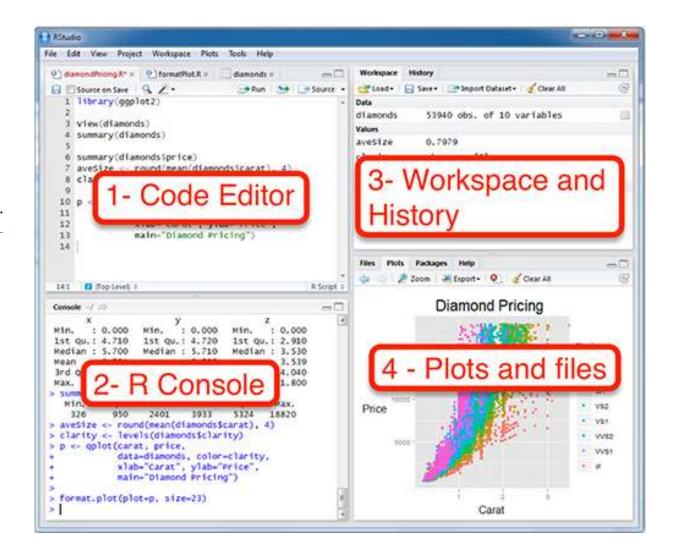
The S language had its roots in data analysis, and did not come from a traditional programming language background. Its inventors were focused on figuring out how to make data analysis easier, first for themselves, and then eventually for others. [...] They built a language that would be suitable for interactive data analysis (more command-line based) as well as for writing longer programs (more traditional programming language-like).

WHAT IS RSTUDIO?

RStudio is an integrated development environment for R.

"RStudio." In Wikipedia, May 1, 2024.

https://en.wikipedia.org/w/index.php?title=RStudio&oldid=1221670801



HOMEWORK 0

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1. A SHORT INTRODUCTION TO R DATA TYPES

Primitive Data Types
Vectors



DATA TYPES

A data type is a set of values and operations associated with those values.

<u>Primitive:</u> These are the simplest types of data, because they are not constructed from other types and are unique entities that cannot be decomposed into others. These data types are defined by a set of values and a set of operations that act on those values.

- Integer
- Floating/Double

- Character and String
- Boolean

PRIMITIVE DATA

Numerical Type:

- Integer
- Floating/Double

Integer	Values	-inf,, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2,, inf		
	Operations	*, +, -, %, /,		
Float	Values	, -0.6, 0.0, 0.5,		
	Operations	*, +, -, %, /,		
Character/	Values	'\n', 'A',, 'Z', 'a',, 'z'		
String	Operations	<, >, ==,		
Po alama	Values	TRUE, FALSE		
Boolean	Operations	<, >, ==,		

- **Character:** This type of data consists of the set of characters available for a specific language on a specific computer. The most used character code is ASCII.
 - A String is multiple characters together
- Boolean: This is the simplest data type, as it only has two values (TRUE (1) and FALSE (0))

PRIMITIVE DATA

Numerical Type:

Integer: Age

Floating/Double: Height

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- **Boolean:** This is the simplest data type, as it only has two values (TRUE (1) and FALSE (0)): Gender Woman (1), Man (0)

ASSIGNMENT OPERATORS

Assignment Operators			
=	Makes a copy of the assigned object.		
<-	Makes a copy of the assigned object.		

```
Assign the integer 10 to the variable a.

Assign the integer 15 to the variable b.

Assign the integer 15 to the variable b.

Perform the addition of variable a and b.

C<-a+b

C=1] 25

Remove variable a from the environment.

Clean the memory.
```

EXERCISE 1.1

Choose two operators from each category and apply them to different pairs of primitive data types. When applying them, think of possible contexts where you would use them, e.g. "+" to add the years lived by a person.

Operators							
Aritmetic		Comparative		Logical			
+	addition	<	less than	! x	logic NO		
_	subtraction	>	more than	x & y	element-wise AND		
*	multiplication	<=	less or equal than	x && y	single comparison AND		
/	division	>=	more or equal than	x y	element-wise OR		
٨	power	==	equal than	x y	single comparison OR		
%/%	integer division	!=	different than	xor(x,y)	exclusive OR		

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<u>Composite Data:</u> These are types of data whose values are collections of primitive data.

Vectors

VECTORS

A vector is a collection of observations or measurements of the same type, for example the ages of 50 people or the number of coffees we drink on different days of the week. Vectors are the simplest types of aggregated data; it is with them that more complex structures are created.

In R, the function with which a vector is created is **c()**:

VECTORS: FACTORS

As mentioned in page 10, strings and Booleans data types are the equivalent of categories (country name) and dichotomous (gender) variables. However, to make this clear to R, we need to use the function factor().

```
Create the vector |> COUNTRY=c("MX", "DE", "NL")
                   > class(COUNTRY)
and check its class.
 Use factor to turn
  the vector into a
                   > COUNTRY=factor(COUNTRY, levels = c("MX", "DE", "NL"), labels = c("Mexico", "Germany", "Netherlands"))
       categorical |> class(COUNTRY)
                    [1] "factor"
         variable.
 Use levels to see
the categories. The |> levels(COUNTRY)
    first one is the [1] "Mexico"
                                        "Germany"
                                                       "Netherlands"
        reference
```

EXERCISE 1.2

Create a categorical vector with four of the Dutch political parties. You can check them here:

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List of political parties in the Netherlands

How would use their acronyms and their names?

2. DATAFRAMES

Dataframes.

From table/csv to dataframes & vice-versa.

Tidyverse.



DATAFRAMES

A dataframe is a special type of R object where all the items are vectors of the same length. In a dataframe, the elements of different columns can be of different types.

In the example beneath, we are constructing a dataframe with 3 columns ('n', 's', and 'b'). 'n' is numeric. 's' is string. 'b' is Boolean.

To glue them together, we use the R function data.frame().

Data Frame Construction

```
> n = c(2, 3, 5)
> s = c("aa", "bb", "cc")
> b = c(TRUE, FALSE, TRUE)
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R Example Data Frame

```
> mtcars

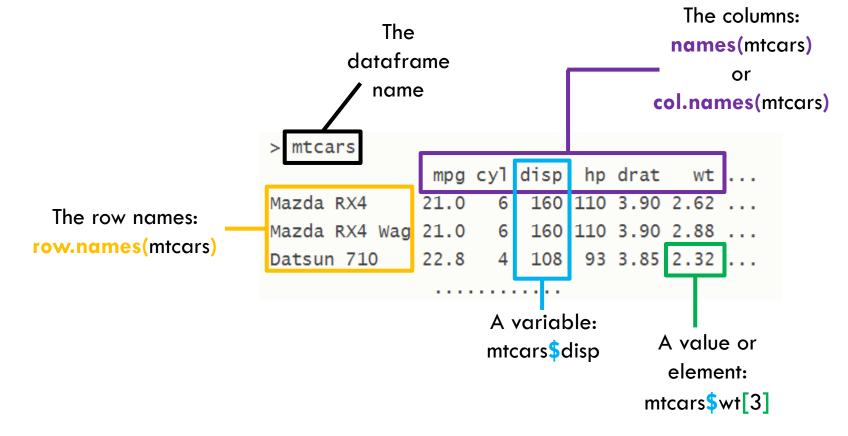
mpg cyl disp hp drat wt ...

Mazda RX4 21.0 6 160 110 3.90 2.62 ...

Mazda RX4 Wag 21.0 6 160 110 3.90 2.88 ...

Datsun 710 22.8 4 108 93 3.85 2.32 ...
```

DATAFRAMES



EXERCISE 2.1

Create a dataframe to save the artists information:

- 1. Mary Leonora Carrington. British-born, naturalized Mexican. Surrealist painter. Died on May 25, 2011.
- 2. Remedios Varo. Spanish-born, naturalized Mexican. Surrealist painter. Died: October 8, 1963.
- 3. David Alfaro Siqueiros. Mexican. Social realist painter. Died: January 6, 1974.

OPEN, MODIFY, AND SAVE

With the *foreign* library you can manipulate databases other than ".csv"

Open: read.csv()

You can open "csv" files using this function.

Save: write.csv()

EXERCISE 2.2

Save the artists dataframe. Do you need the row.names parameter?

```
DIR="WRITE HERE THE PATH TO THE DATA\\"
write.csv(Artist ,paste0(DIR, "Data_Name.csv"), row.names = FALSE)

With the command help("paste0")
you can check what this function do.
```

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SESSION 2: TIDYVERSE https://www.tidyverse.org/



R packages for data science

The tidyverse is an opinionated **collection of R packages** designed for data science. All packages share an underlying design philosophy, grammar, and data structures.

Install the complete tidyverse with:

install.packages("tidyverse")





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