

B.Sc. (Hons.) in Information Technology Year 2 - Semester 2, 2025

Lab Exercise 2 (Introduction to R)

IT2110 - Probability & Statistics

Week 03

Control Statements

Conditional statements and loops exists in R; the same as in other programming languages. Given below are the syntax for conditional statements and loops.

```
# while loop while (condition) {
expressions
}
# for loop
for (symbol in sequence) {
expressions
```

```
for (i in 1:10) {
print(i)
} # this loop runs from i = 1 to 10 and prints the value
```

Importing and Exporting

R can read files on your machine and create data files and graphics. Paths to these files are computed relative to the **working directory**. Paths are specified in the format appropriate for the machine.

R supports basic data types when importing data and other file types can be imported using dedicated packages (e.g.: xlsx package for importing Excel 2010 onwards).

read.table() can be used to import data from a basic file type and read.csv() for importing data from CSV (comma separated values) files. The dataset will be imported as a data frame. The following 2 commands do the same job.

```
> data1 <- read.table(filename, header=TRUE,
sep=",")
> data2 <- read.csv(filename)</pre>
```

```
write.table() and write.csv() functions can be used to write a data frame to a file.
> write.csv(dataframe, file = filename)
```

Functions

Functions are created using the function() directive and are stored as R objects just like anything else. In particular, they are R objects of class "function".

```
fun_name <- function(<arguments>) {
   statements
}
```

When specifying arguments, the function can be defined with default values for the arguments.

- 1. Compute the real roots of the quadratic equation in the form of $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$.
- 2. Without using R, determine the result of the following computation.

$$x <- c(1,2,3)$$

 $x[1]/x[2]^3-1+2*x[3]-x[2-1]$

- 3. Construct separate plots of log(x), exp(x), by using appropriate x values.
- 4. Consider vector 1: K, where K is a positive integer. Write R command that determines how many elements in the vector are exactly divisible by 3.
- 5. Write an R expression to determine if two sets, A and B, represented as integer vectors are disjoint. If not disjoint, print the common elements.
- 6. Write a loop structure to scan through an integer vector to determine the index of the maximum value.
- 7. Do the same without using a loop.
- 8. Compound interest can be computed using the formula,

$$A = P \times \left(1 + \frac{R}{100}\right)^n$$

where P is the original money lent, A is what it amounts to in n years at R percent per year interest. Write a function to calculate the amount of money owed after n years where n changes from 1 to 15 in yearly increments, if the money lent originally is 5000 rupees and the interest rate remains constant throughout the period at 11.5%.

9. Import the file "Death Row.csv" into R and identify the variables.