Advanced Programming in R

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Aim of the class

- Last chance to catch up with your programming skills, if you are still a beginner
- Learn how to write automatized code that is readable and efficient
- The tools presented here are useful for other courses!

Plan for the course

week	topic	who?
1	conditionals and loops	Ewa
2	creating functions, environments	Ewa
3	funcions 2: defensive programming, assertions, invisible, binary operators	Ewa
4	benchmarking and profiling	Ewa
5	script and report automation (RMarkdown) - documents, presentations and dashboards (flexdashboard)	Ewa
6	object oriented programming, S3 system, generic functions and methods	Maria
7	object oriented programming, S4 (and R6?)	Maria
8	vectorization and purrr functions	Maria
9	basics of Shiny	Ewa
10	shiny 2 - multipanel applications	Ewa
11	advanced data processing with dplyr, dtplyr, tidyr	Maria
12	Using C++ in R (Rcpp)	Maria
13	RCpp2: advanced usage of Rcpp	Maria
14	Creating and testing own package	Maria
15	presentations	both

Passing requirements

The following topics (tools) will be presented during the course:

- 1. Writing own functions in R (including defensive programming)
- 2. Object-oriented programming creating own classes, methods and generic functions of the S3, S4 and R6 systems
- 3. Advanced data processing with dplyr, dtplyr, tidyr
- 4. Automation of scripts and reports (RMarkdown)
- 5. Shiny + creating analytical dashboards
- 6. Use of C++ in R (Rcpp)
- 7. Vectorization of the code
- 8. Creating own R packages

Passing requirements

- The final grade for the course will be based on the final project.
- Final projects should be prepared in teams of at most 3 people. They can refer to any topic, but they should use at least four of the tools listed above (NOTE at least two tools for each person in the team, so a team of three people should use at least the six tools above).
- Each team should provide a presentation (prepared in RMarkdown, no more than 10 slides) + complete R codes.

Deadlines

- The team members and a **short initial description of the project** should be sent to the teacher(s) by **April 30, 2022** at the latest.
- Presentation days:

Tuesday: June 14, 2022

Thursday: June 16, 2022

• The deadline for submitting projects is midnight ending the day

June 24, 2022

Plan for todays class: Conditionals and loops

- 1. Logical expressions
- 2. Conjunction and alternatives

conjunction - & (and)

Alternative - | (or)

- 3. Vectorization
- 4. If statements in R
- 5. For loops

Vectorization

```
> x < -1:4
> y < -6:9
> X
[1] 1 2 3 4
[1] 6 7 8 9
> X+y
[1] 7 9 11 13
> x>2
[1] FALSE FALSE TRUE
                        TRUE
```

 Aim – in R it makes operation simpler

(add first element of the vector A with the first element of vector b)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?
v=tTUBLwjwriU

Why do we sometimes use && or || instead & or |?

- A good code should be easy to check. It should have many comments that state why we do certain procedure but also it should state what we expect as a result of our code.
- Using & o | → we expect vector of values (several values in c())
- Using && or $| | \rightarrow$ we expect scalar (single value)
- So it depends on what we intend to return as a result of our operations in a code.

Why do we sometimes use && or || instead & or |?

Thanks to this code is more readable and less prone to mistakes!

```
> # They report whether any or all of their arguments are TRUE
> # https://www.oreilly.com/library/view/the-art-of/9781593273842/ch02s05.html
> x <- 1:10
> x
   [1] 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
> any(x >8)
[1] TRUE
> c(x[1]>8 | x[2]>8 | x[3]>8 | x[4]>8 | x[5]>8 | x[6]>8 | x[7]>8 | x[8]>8
+   | x[9]>8 | x[10]>8)
[1] TRUE
> |
```

If statements in R

- If is an instruction for R to conduct
- One line if statement without {} → I do not recommend. Danger that we will forget to add {} if we expand our condition!!
- Normally we build
 if (<logical_expression>){
 <functions and commands>
 <functions and commands>
 <functions and commands>
 }

If else

 Only one condition will be conducted the order matters!!!!

```
# The longer version (but else if can be unlimited):
# if (<logical expression>){ # mandatory
   <functions and commands>
   <functions and commands>
   <functions and commands>
# } else if (logical expression>) { # optional
   <functions and commands>
   <functions and commands>
   <functions and commands>
# } else if (logical expression>) { # optional
   <functions and commands>
   <functions and commands>
   <functions and commands>
# } else { # optional
   <functions and commands>
   <functions and commands>
   <functions and commands>
# }
```

Loops

```
wek <- 1:20
for (i in 1:10) {
  print(wek)
}</pre>
```

A temporary variable i created in a loop for which we execute the code. It has different value for each iterations

Range of a loop (number of loops (how many iterations)